

# Multimodality

- Unify/convert materials in different modalities into a uniformed encoding.  
Convert image into texts  
Convert images and text into trees.  
Translation of different languages  
...
- Combine results from different modality  
Get activity from images and category of the text and combine the two to predict its popularity

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## Uniform encoding:

- There are some work that turn a picture into a sentence. We may try that on Pinterest data.
- Try to describe a picture with more sophisticated methods — objects in it, colorful or not, in-door or not, activities, etc.

## Combined result:

- Classify pictures according to Pinterest category
- Combine the picture classification result with the text classification results.

## Schedule:

- Test combined result first and see whether it work.
- Try to build converting algorithms.
- Test different uniform encoding later.

# Cross Domain Ming

- Direct relations

Two domains share common data points — eBay-Amazon, Instagram-Facebook

We have some extra information compared to single domain.

Details

- Indirect relations

Two domains that share same feature — forums and blogs, twitter and Facebook

We may treat the data with the same feature as a same data point and apply both classifiers or any other operations on the data and gain the link

Details

- Other relations

Any other relations. Hard to formalize but have vast topics to explore. One example may be here.

# Direct/Indirect Relations

Output of classifier 1

class 1	class 2	...
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probability 1   probability 2   ....



C1

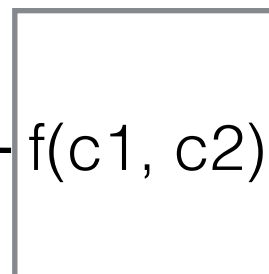
Output of classifier 2

Class 1	Class 2	...
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Probability 1   Probability 2   ....



C2



- Maximize  $P(\text{class})$  when classifying domain 1
- Similar trick can be applied in indirect relations, except class 1 in the table contains all the data points that is classified to class 1 by classifier 1
- Or we may apply to EM algorithm to estimate the CPD

	class 1	class 2	...
Class 1	$\frac{\text{class1} \cap \text{Class1}}{\text{class1} \cup \text{Class1}}$	$\frac{\text{class2} \cap \text{Class1}}{\text{class2} \cup \text{Class1}}$	...
Class 2	$\frac{\text{class1} \cap \text{Class2}}{\text{class1} \cup \text{Class2}}$	$\frac{\text{class2} \cap \text{Class2}}{\text{class2} \cup \text{Class2}}$	...
...	...	...	...

# Direct/Indirect Relations

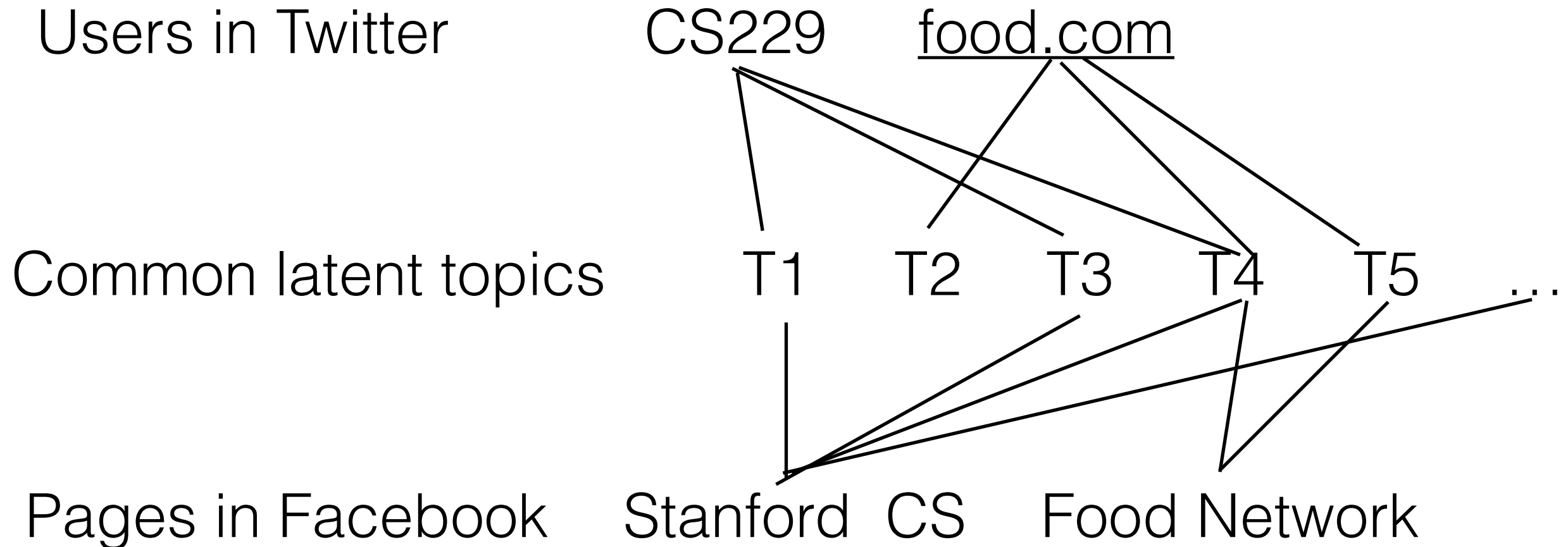
## Scaling Issue:

- The CPD table increases fast when the number of classes increases. ( $n^m$  if there are both  $n$  classes in  $m$  domains)
- To reduce the computational cost, we only consider top  $k$  classes in the CPD. (The cost reduces to  $k^m$ .)

## Schedule:

- Construct a data set where two domains are directly related and their classes are highly related.
- Test the proposal. Hope it will work.
- If it works, find more data set and test the how result is affected by the class relations.
- Expand to indirectly related data sets. See whether EM is needed and whether EM will help.

# Other Relations



- Try to find a common set of latent topics that composes topics in two domains.
- The relation between the two domain is the latent common topics.
- For a new user in twitter who links his Facebook account, we can recommend users in twitter that have similar composition with the pages he followed in Facebook.
- But, how do we match the topics? Is any direct/indirect link a must?

# Questions

- What data sources do we have?
- How are they formatted originally?
- Is there any topics that are already chosen? Is the proposed ones fit?
- What are the interested tasks? More tasks, more possible solutions.
- Any other people in this field? Previous works?