

A word is worth a thousand vectors

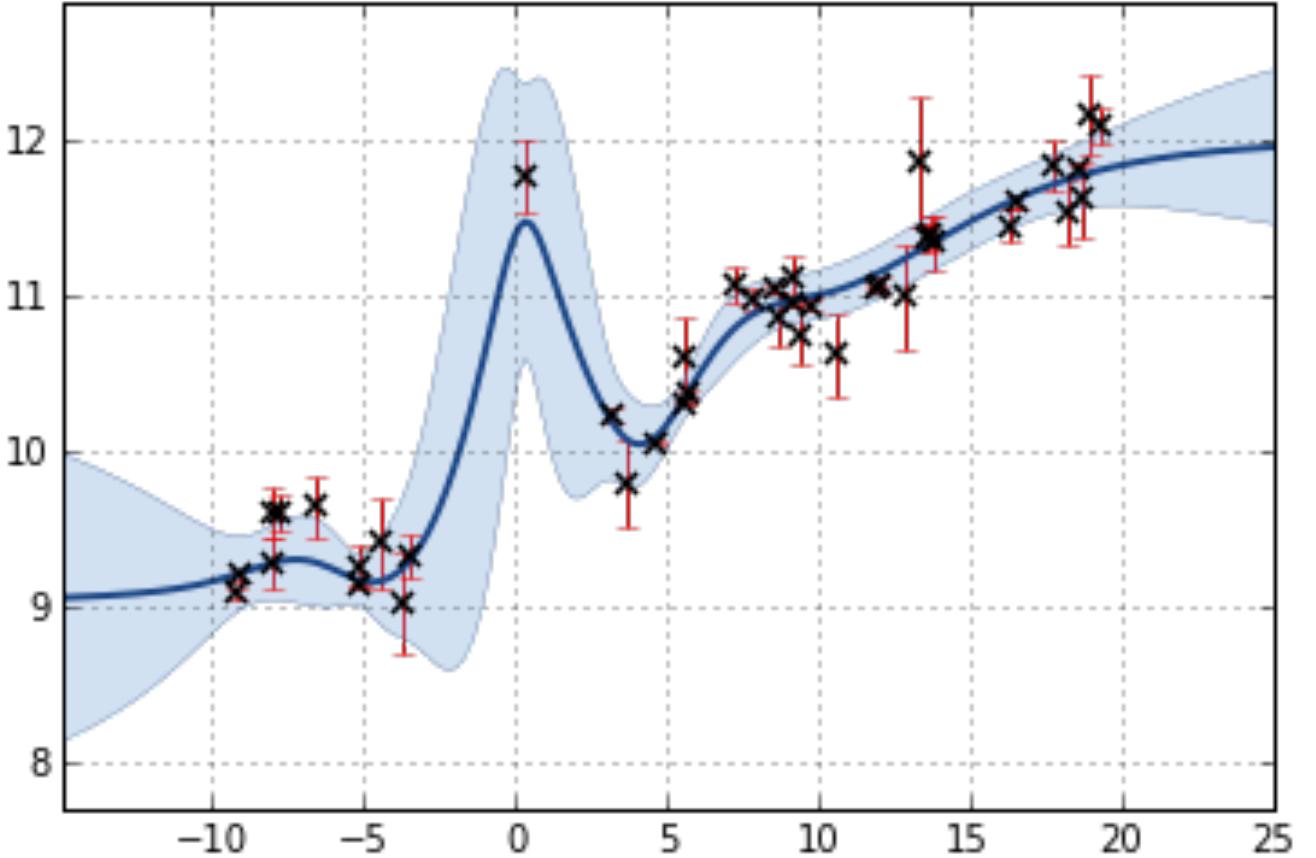
(word2vec, lda, and introducing **lda2vec**)

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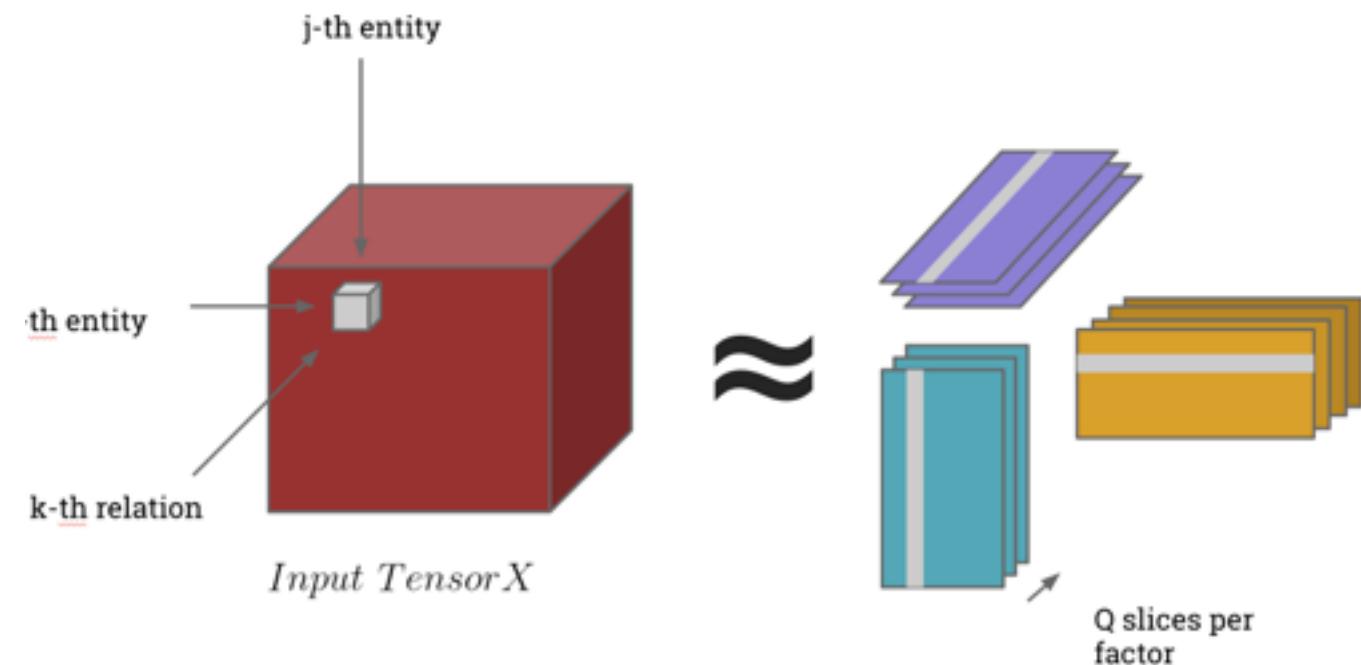
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word2vec

1. $king - man + woman = queen$
2. Huge splash in NLP world
3. Learns from raw text
4. Pretty simple algorithm
5. Comes pretrained

word2vec

1. Set up an objective function
2. Randomly initialize vectors
3. Do gradient descent

word2vec: learn word vector v_{in}
from it's surrounding context

$$v_{in}$$

“The fox jumped **over** the lazy dog”

Maximize the likelihood of seeing the words given the word **over**.

$$P(\text{the}|\text{over})$$

$$P(\text{fox}|\text{over})$$

$$P(\text{jumped}|\text{over})$$

$$P(\text{the}|\text{over})$$

$$P(\text{lazy}|\text{over})$$

$$P(\text{dog}|\text{over})$$

...instead of maximizing the likelihood of co-occurrence counts.

What should this be?

$$P(\text{fox}|\text{over})$$

Should depend on the word vectors.

$$P(\text{fox} | \text{over})$$



$$P(v_{\text{fox}} | v_{\text{over}})$$

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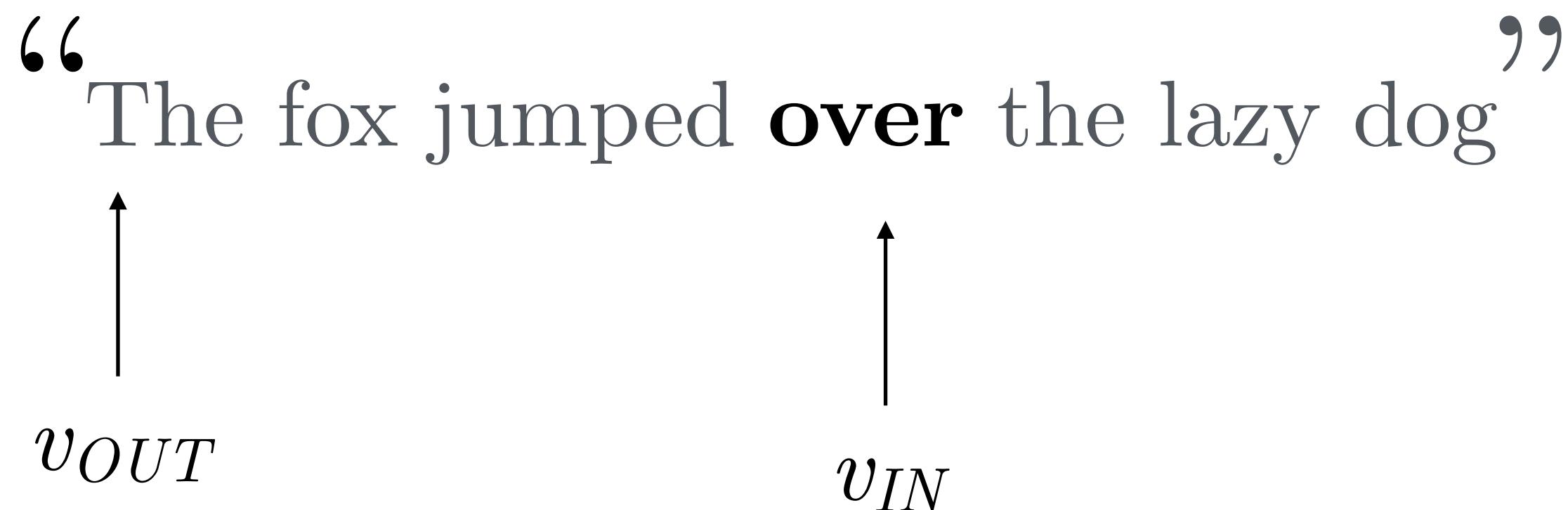


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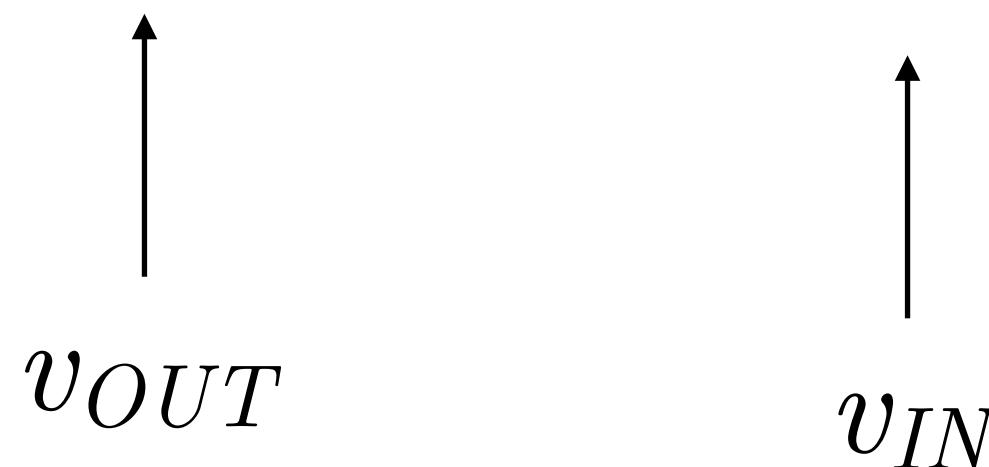


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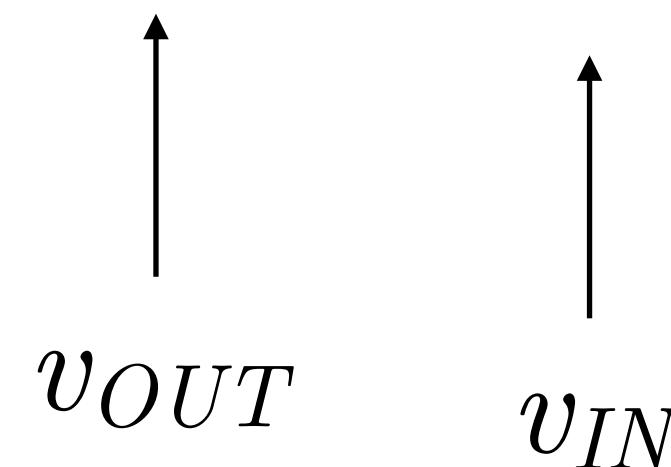


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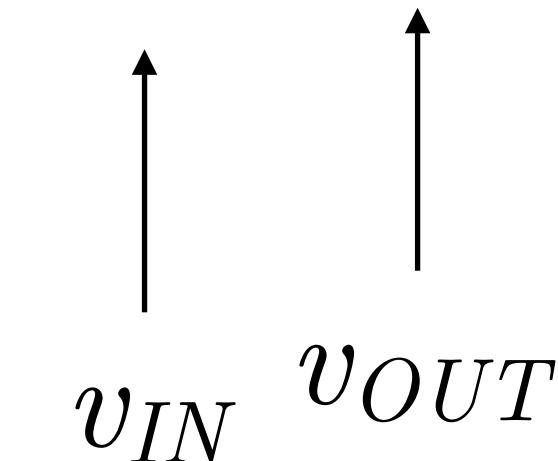


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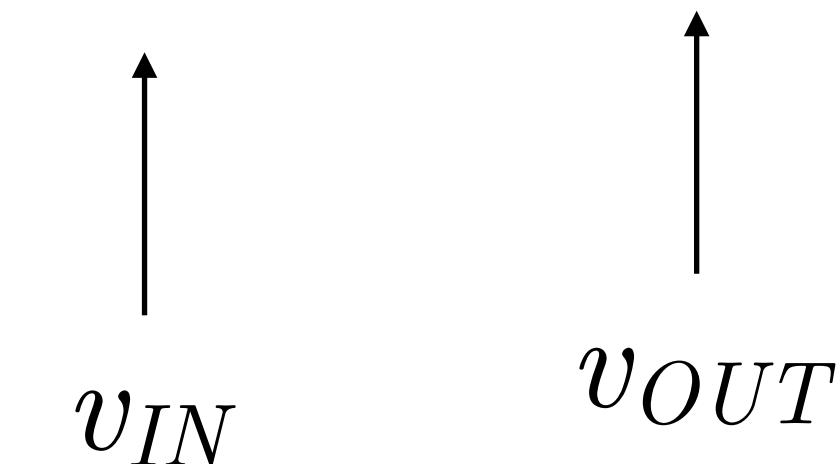


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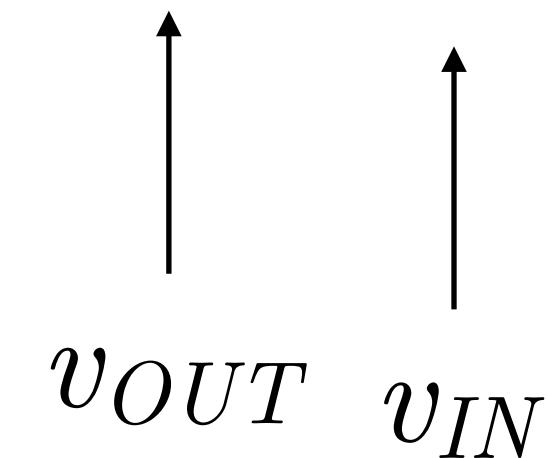


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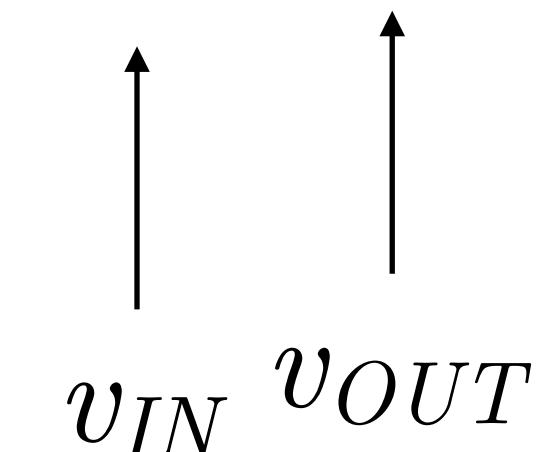


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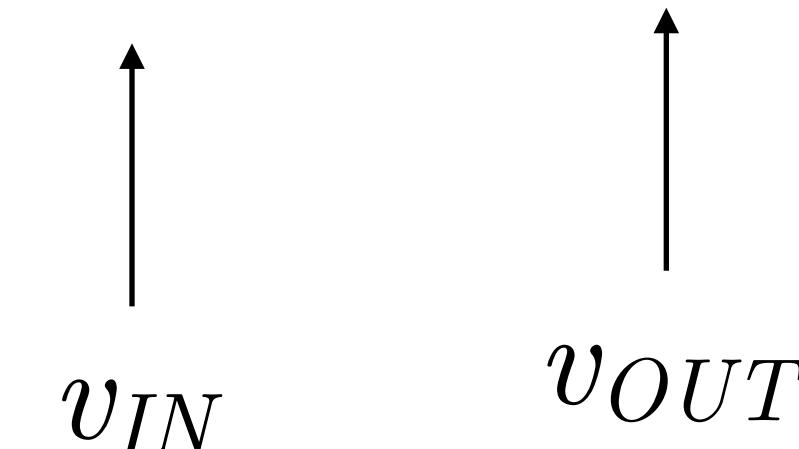


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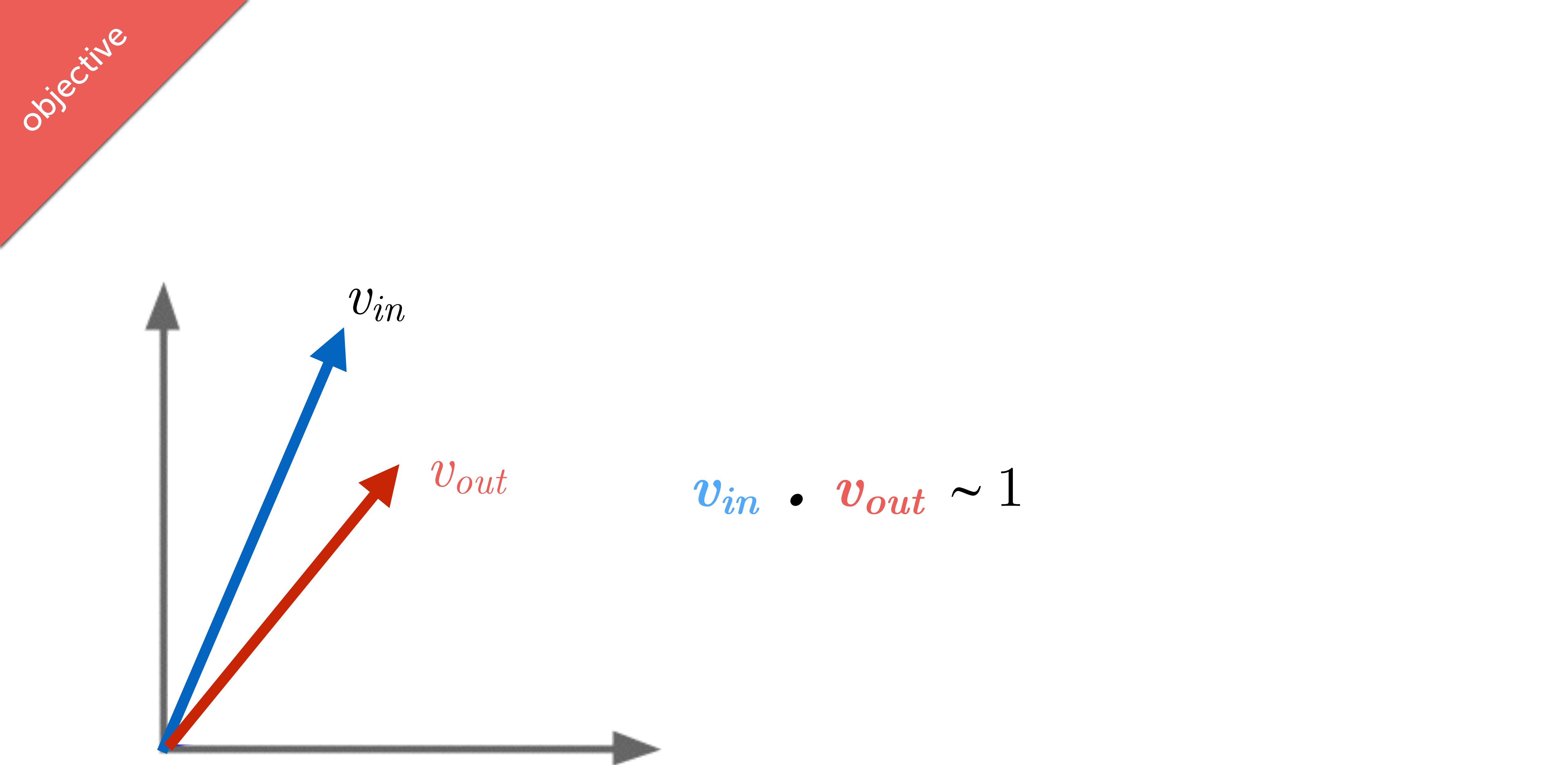
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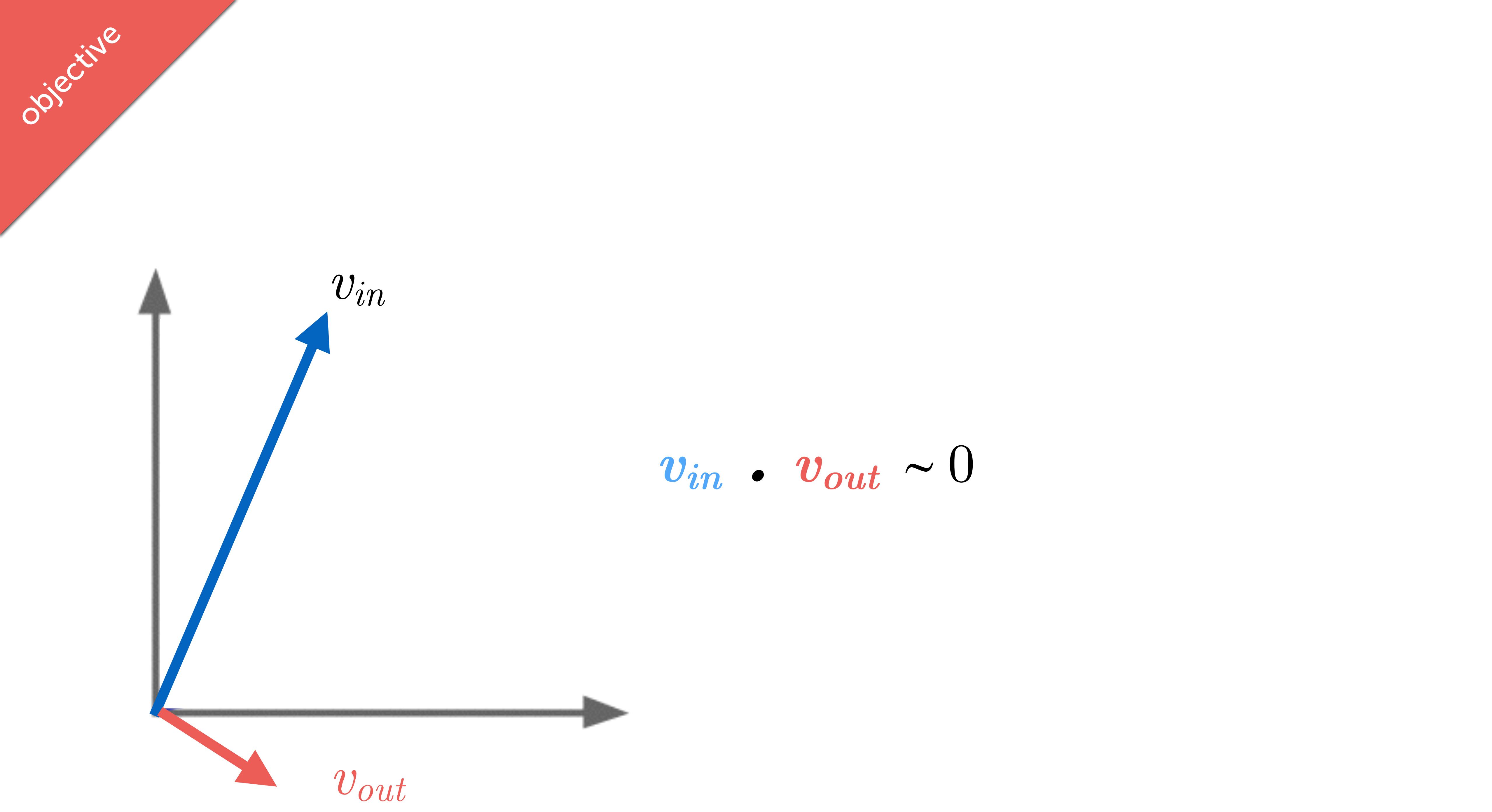


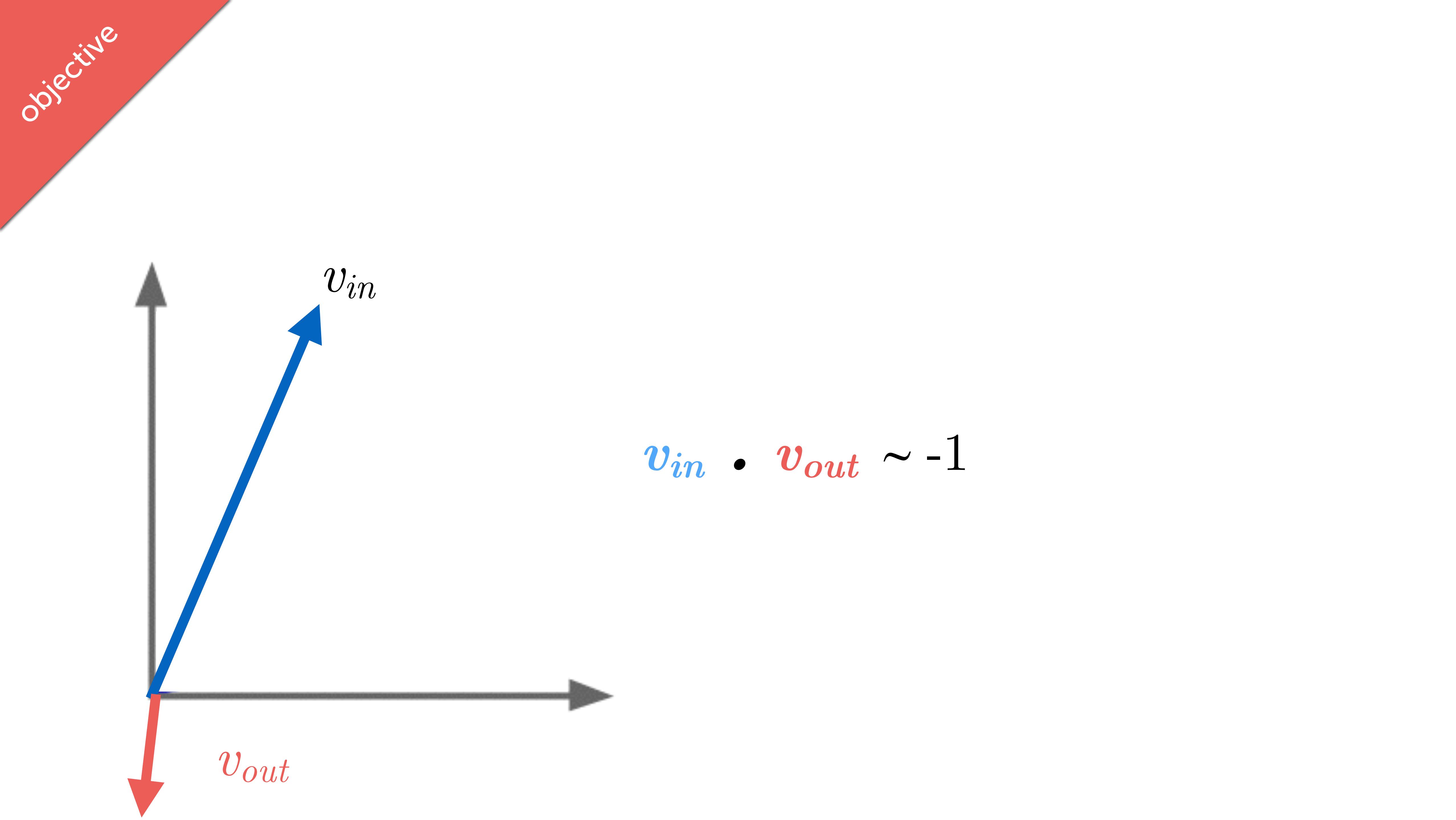
How should we define $P(v_{OUT}|v_{IN})$?

Measure loss between
 v_{IN} and v_{OUT} ?

$v_{in} \bullet v_{out}$







objective

$$v_{in} \bullet v_{out} \in [-1, 1]$$

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Probability of choosing 1 of N discrete items.

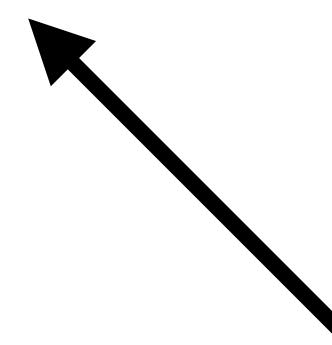
Mapping from vector space to a multinomial over words.

But we'd like to measure a probability.

$$\text{softmax} \sim \exp(v_{in} \bullet v_{out}) \in [0,1]$$

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$$\text{softmax} = \frac{\exp(v_{in} \cdot v_{out})}{\sum_{k \in V} \exp(v_{in} \cdot v_k)}$$



Normalization term over all words

But we'd like to measure a probability.

$$\text{softmax} = \frac{\exp(v_{in} \bullet v_{out})}{\sum_{k \in V} \exp(v_{in} \bullet v_k)} = P(v_{out} | v_{in})$$

Learn by gradient descent on the softmax prob.

For every example we see update v_{in}

$$v_{in} := v_{in} + \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{in}} P(v_{out} | v_{in})$$

$$v_{out} := v_{out} + \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{out}} P(v_{out} | v_{in})$$

Model (training time)	Redmond	Havel	ninjutsu
Collobert (50d) (2 months)	conyers lubbock keene	plauen dzerzhinsky osterreich	reiki kohana karate
Turian (200d) (few weeks)	McCarthy Alston Cousins	Jewell Arzu Ovitz	- - -
Mnih (100d) (7 days)	Podhurst Harlang Agarwal	Pontiff Pinochet Rodionov	- - -
Skip-Phrase (1000d, 1 day)	Redmond Wash. Redmond Washington Microsoft	Vaclav Havel president Vaclav Havel Velvet Revolution	ninja martial arts swordsmanship

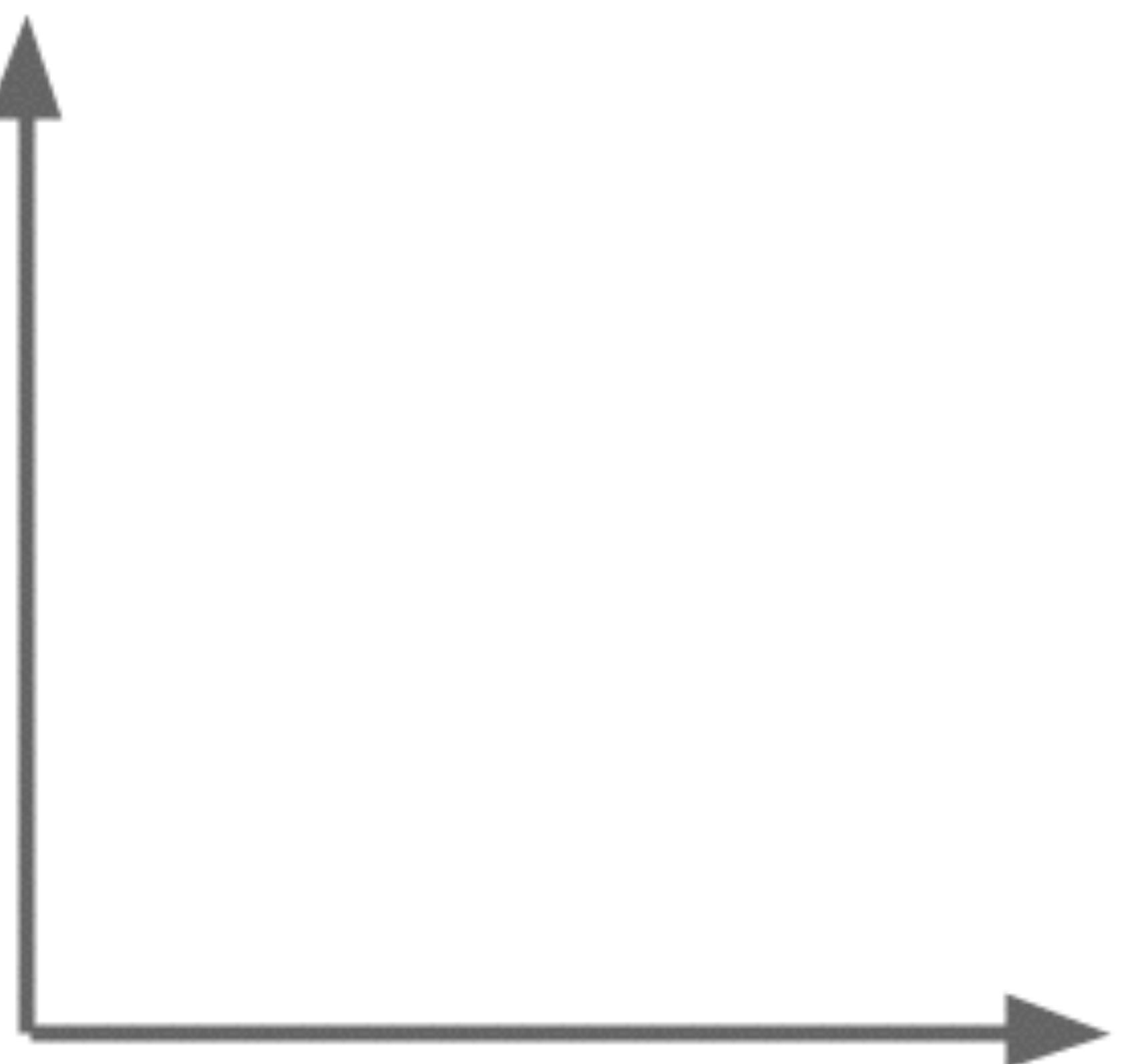


word2vec

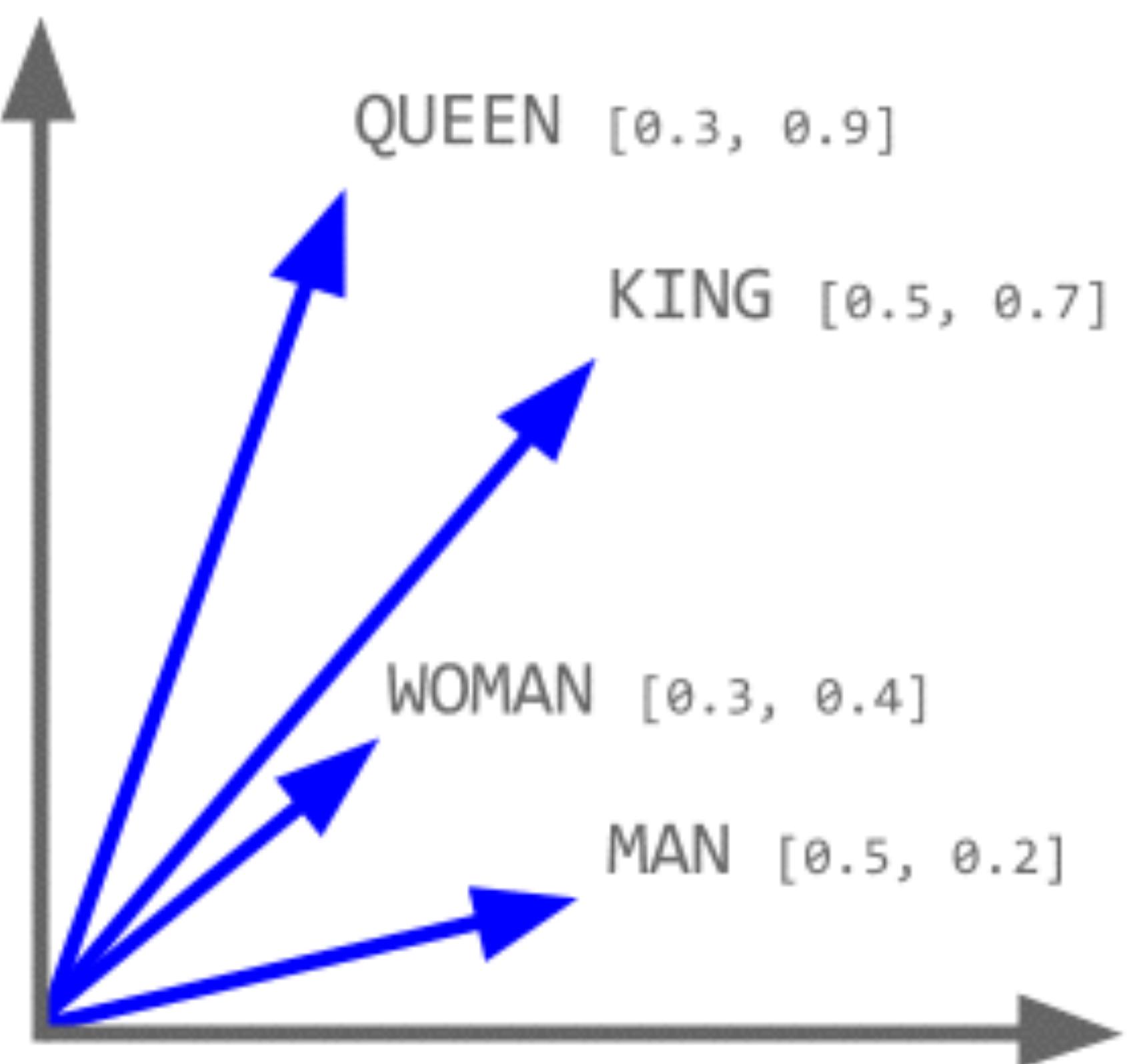
Model	Vector Dimensionality	Training words	Accuracy [%]		
			Semantic	Syntactic	Total
Collobert-Weston NNLM	50	660M	9.3	12.3	11.0
Turian NNLM	50	37M	1.4	2.6	2.1
Turian NNLM	200	37M	1.4	2.2	1.8
Mnih NNLM	50	37M	1.8	9.1	5.8
Mnih NNLM	100	37M	3.3	13.2	8.8
Mikolov RNNLM	80	320M	4.9	18.4	12.7
Mikolov RNNLM	640	320M	8.6	36.5	24.6
Huang NNLM	50	990M	13.3	11.6	12.3
CBOW	300	783M	15.5	53.1	36.1
Skip-gram	300	783M	50.0	55.9	53.3

← word2vec

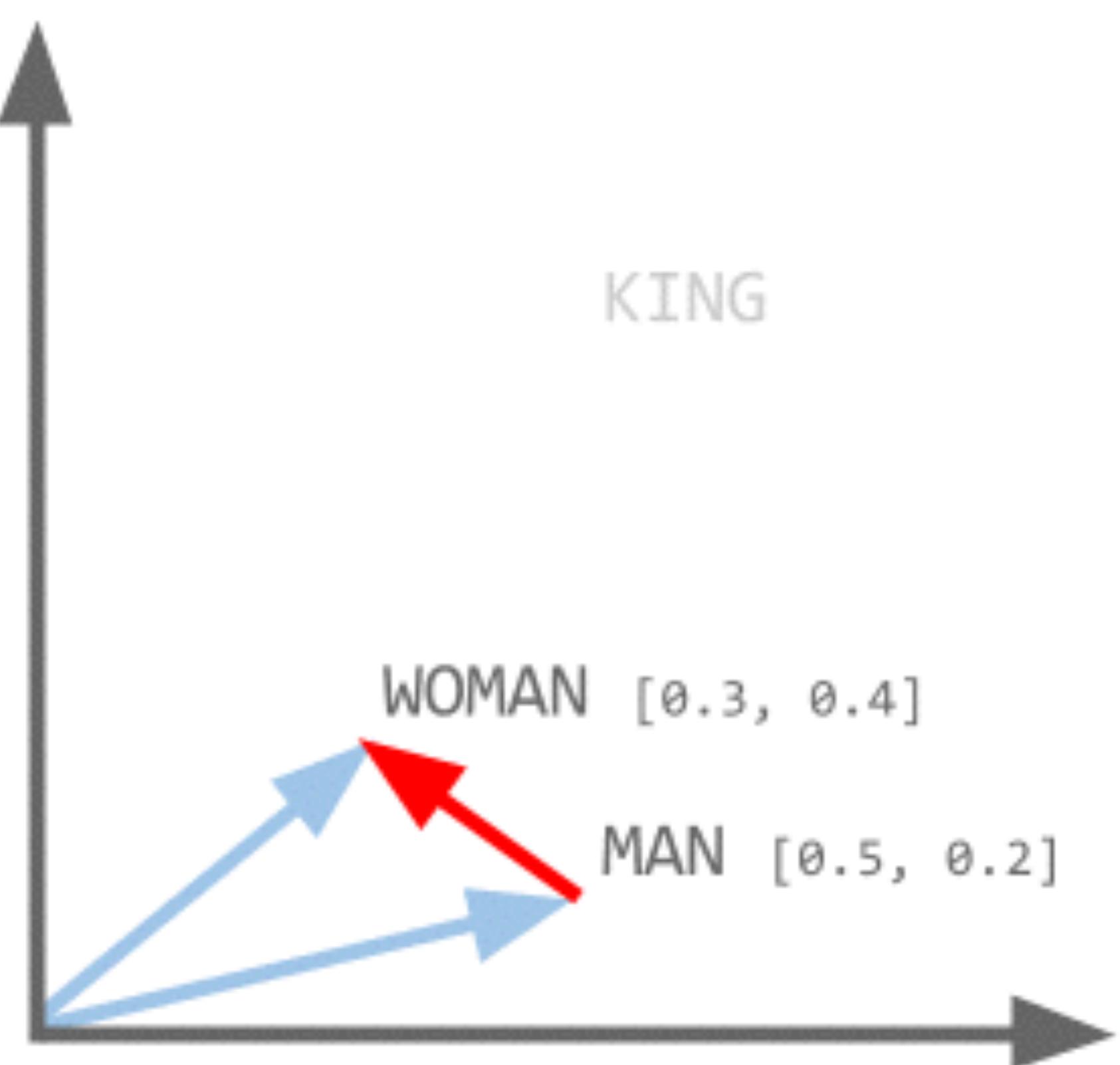
What is king + man - woman?



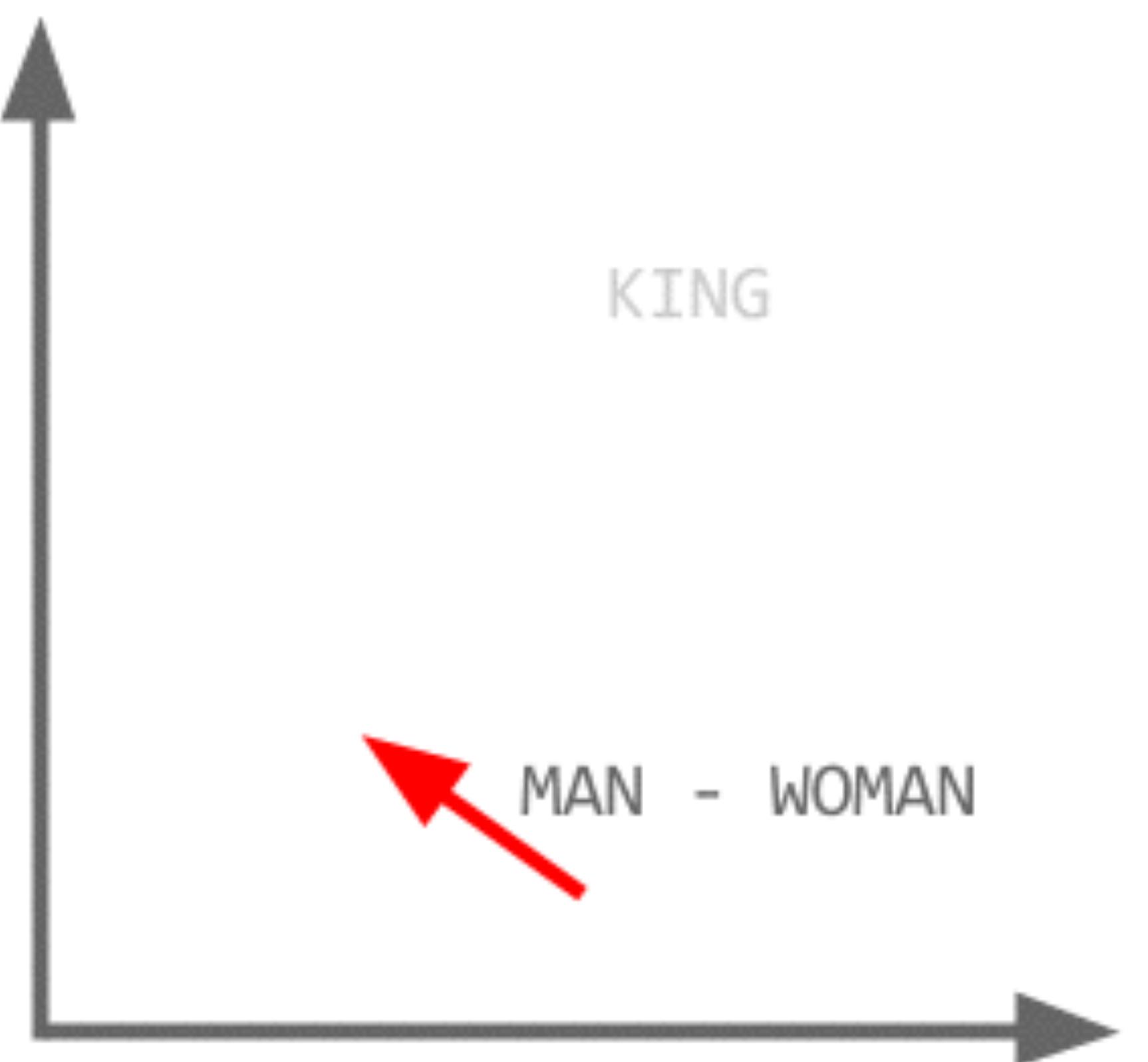
Load up the word vectors



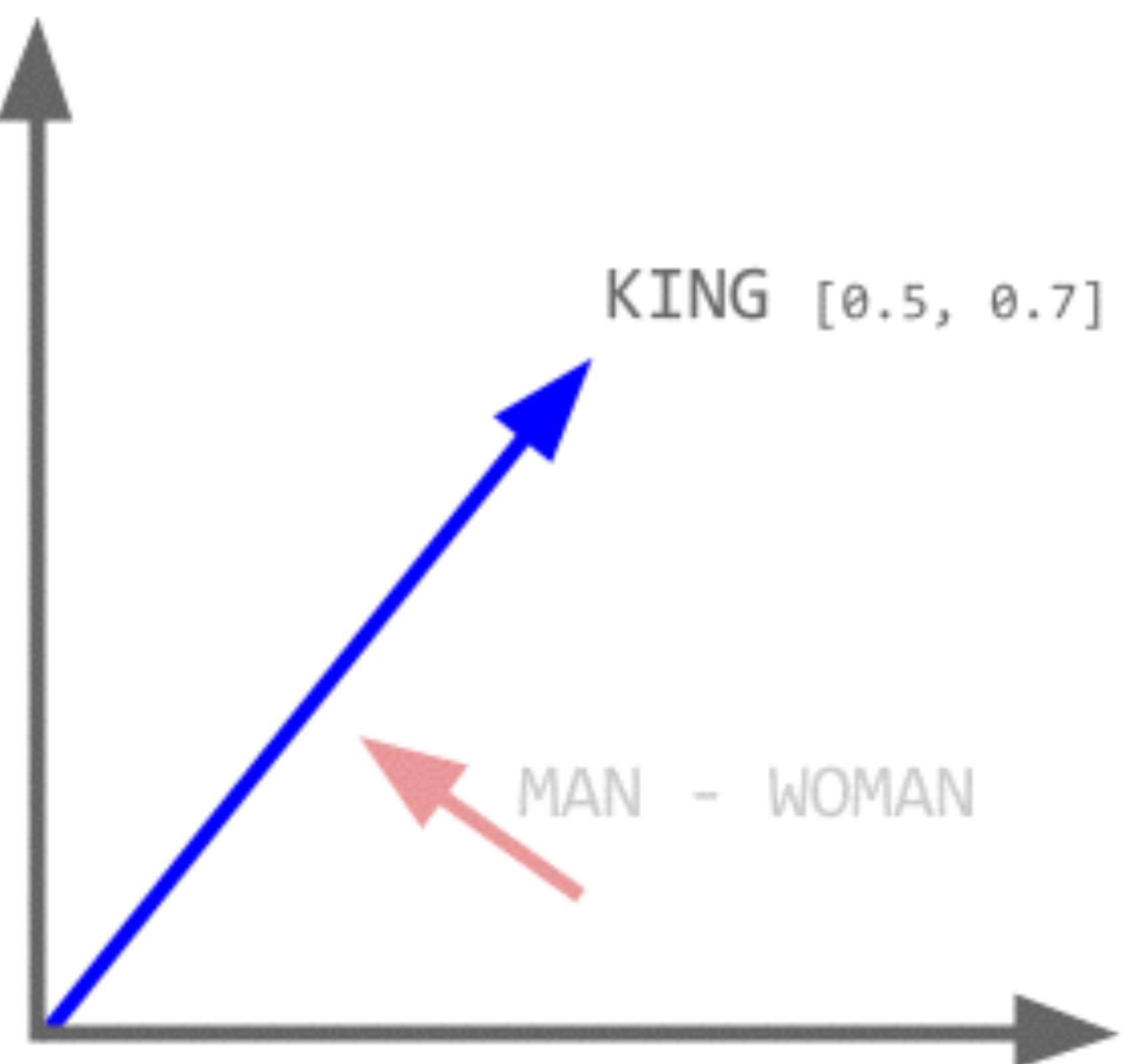
Start with man - woman



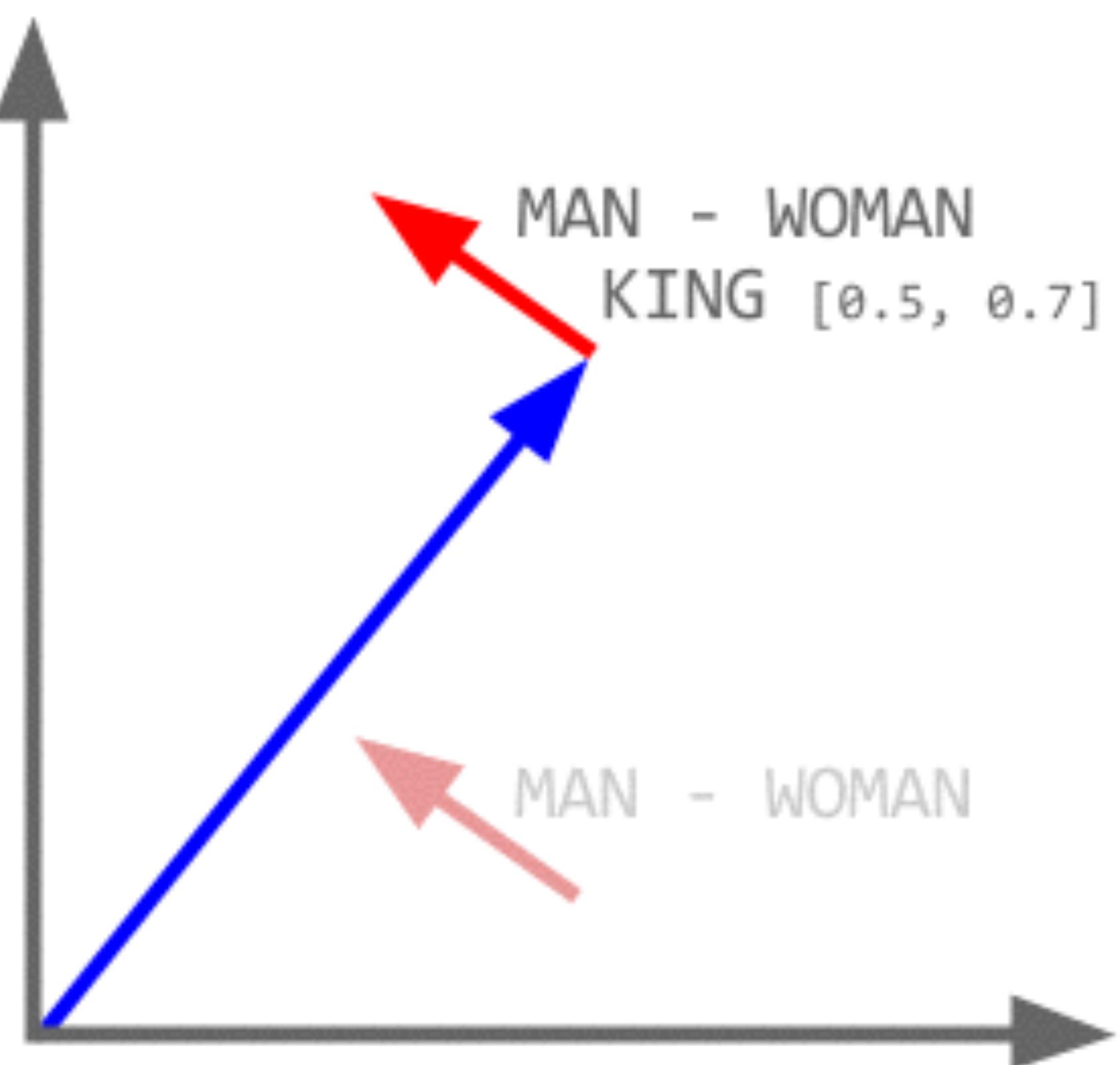
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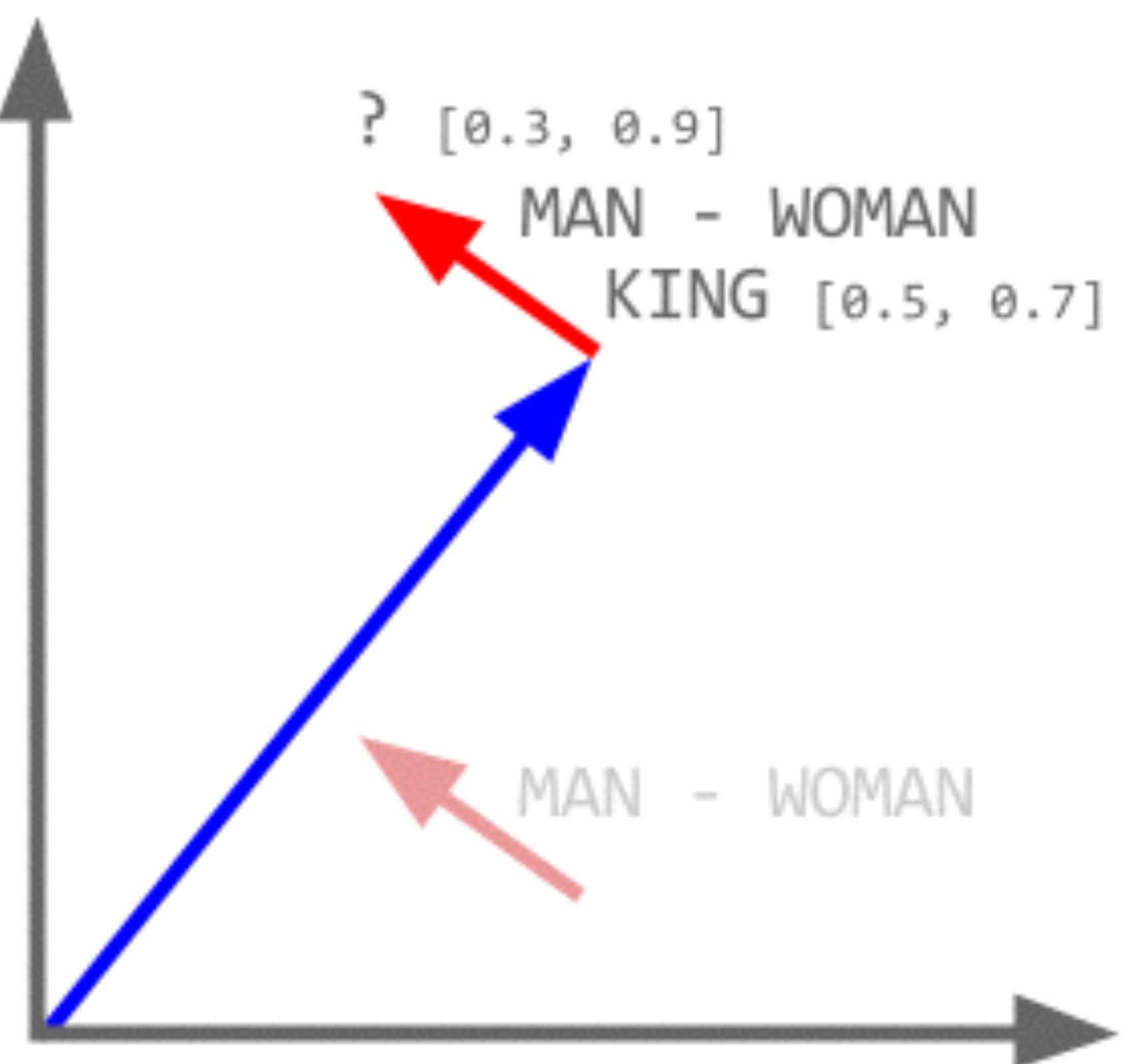
Then take king



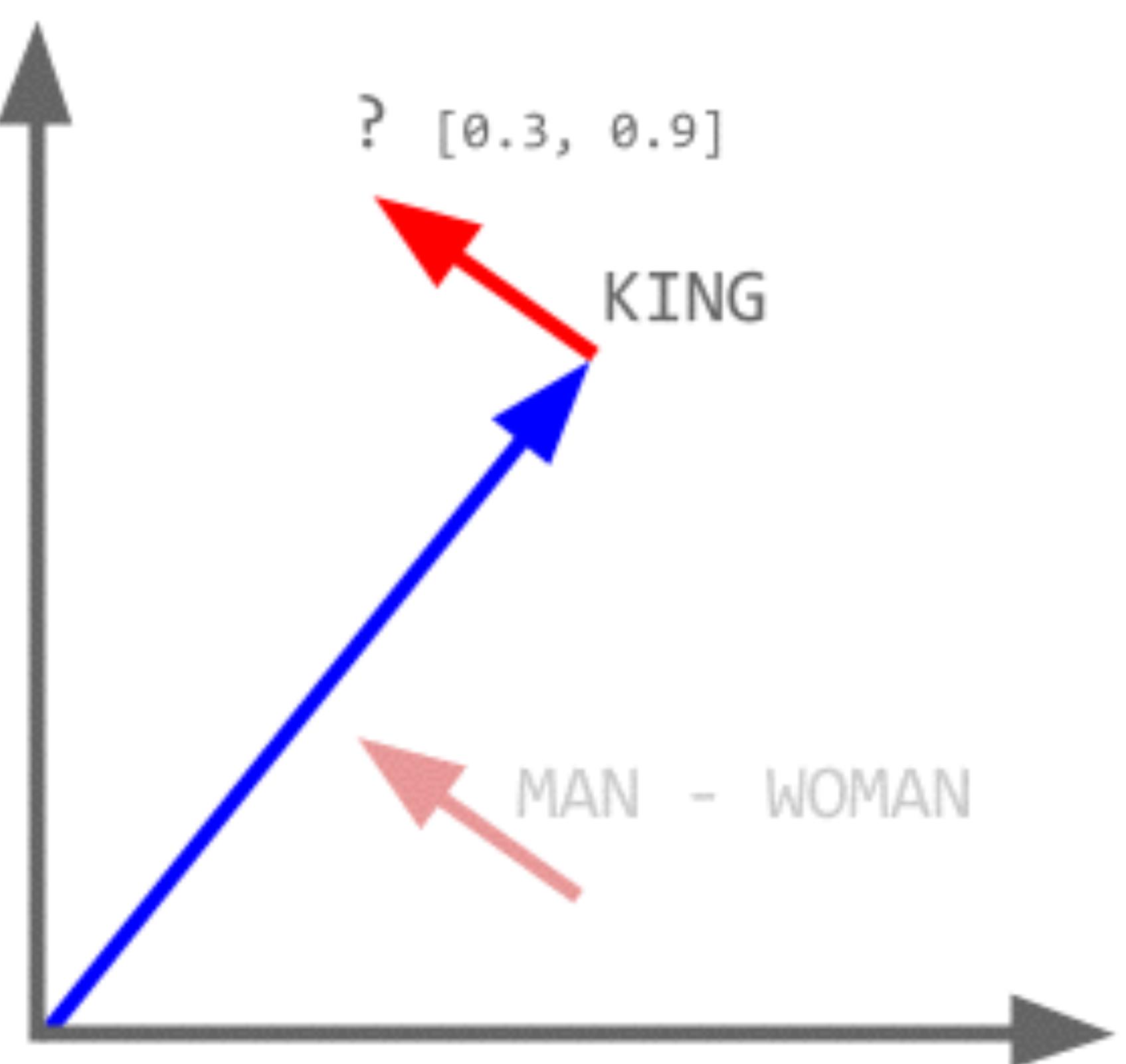
And add man - woman



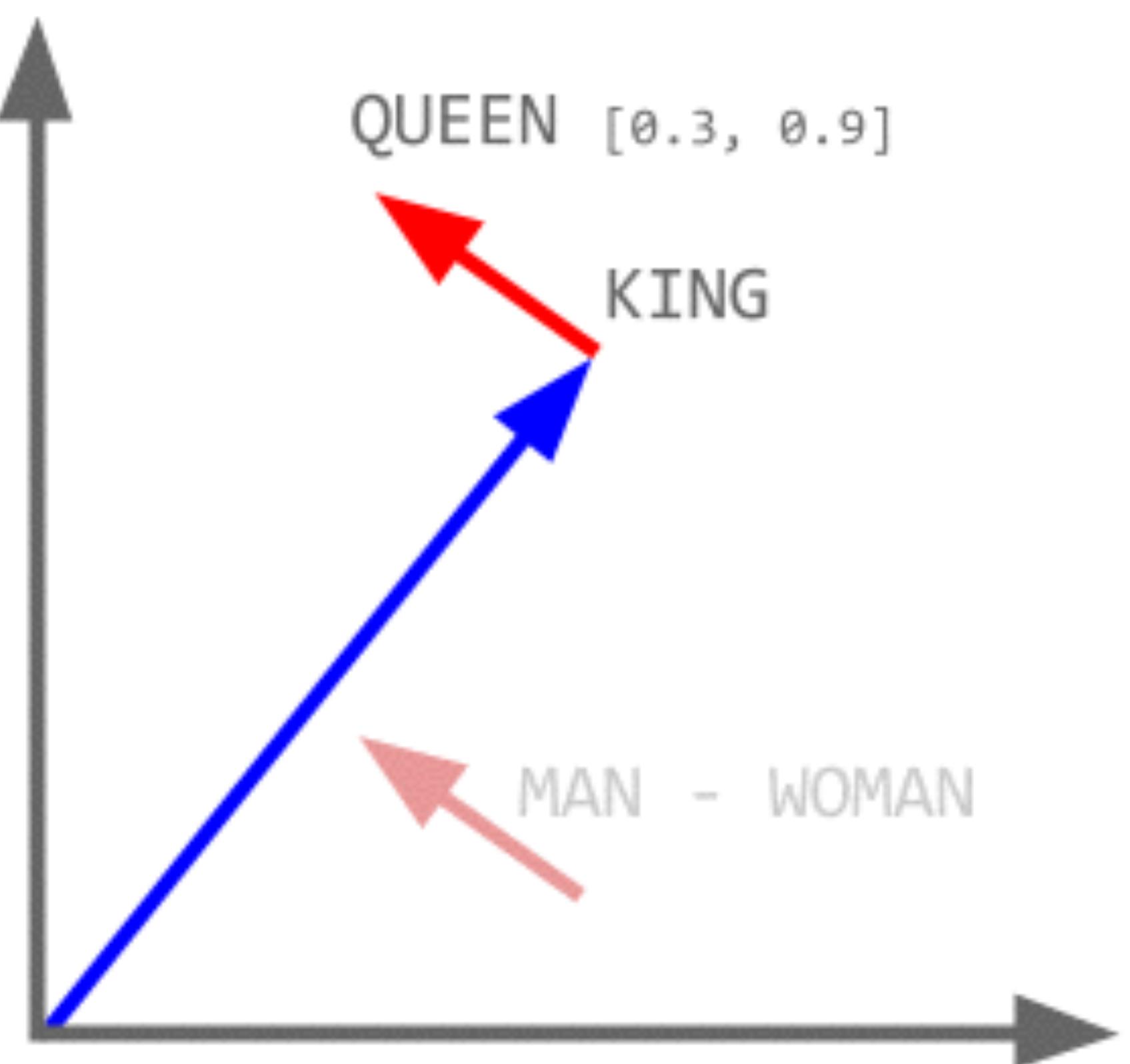
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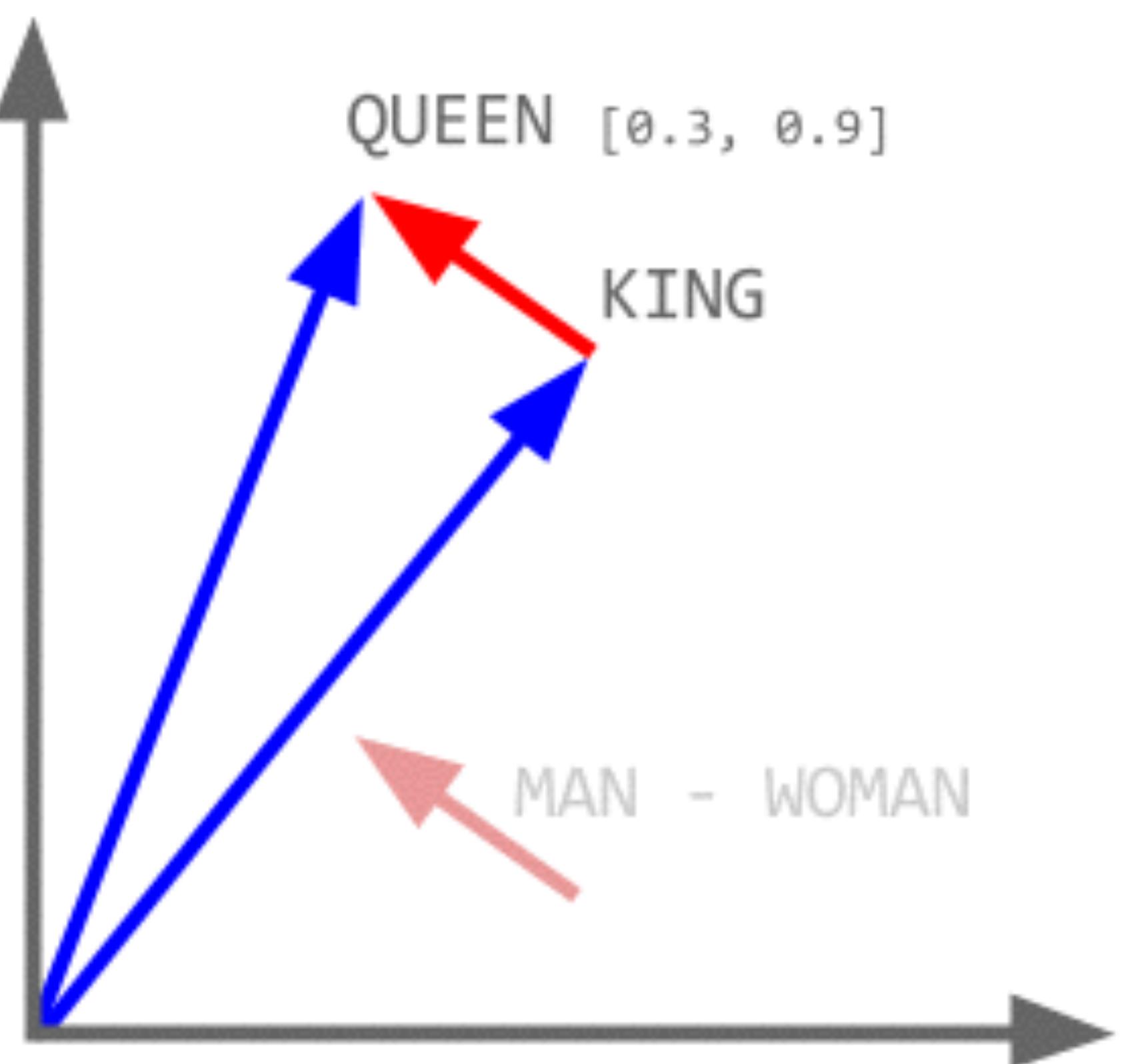
Find nearest word to result



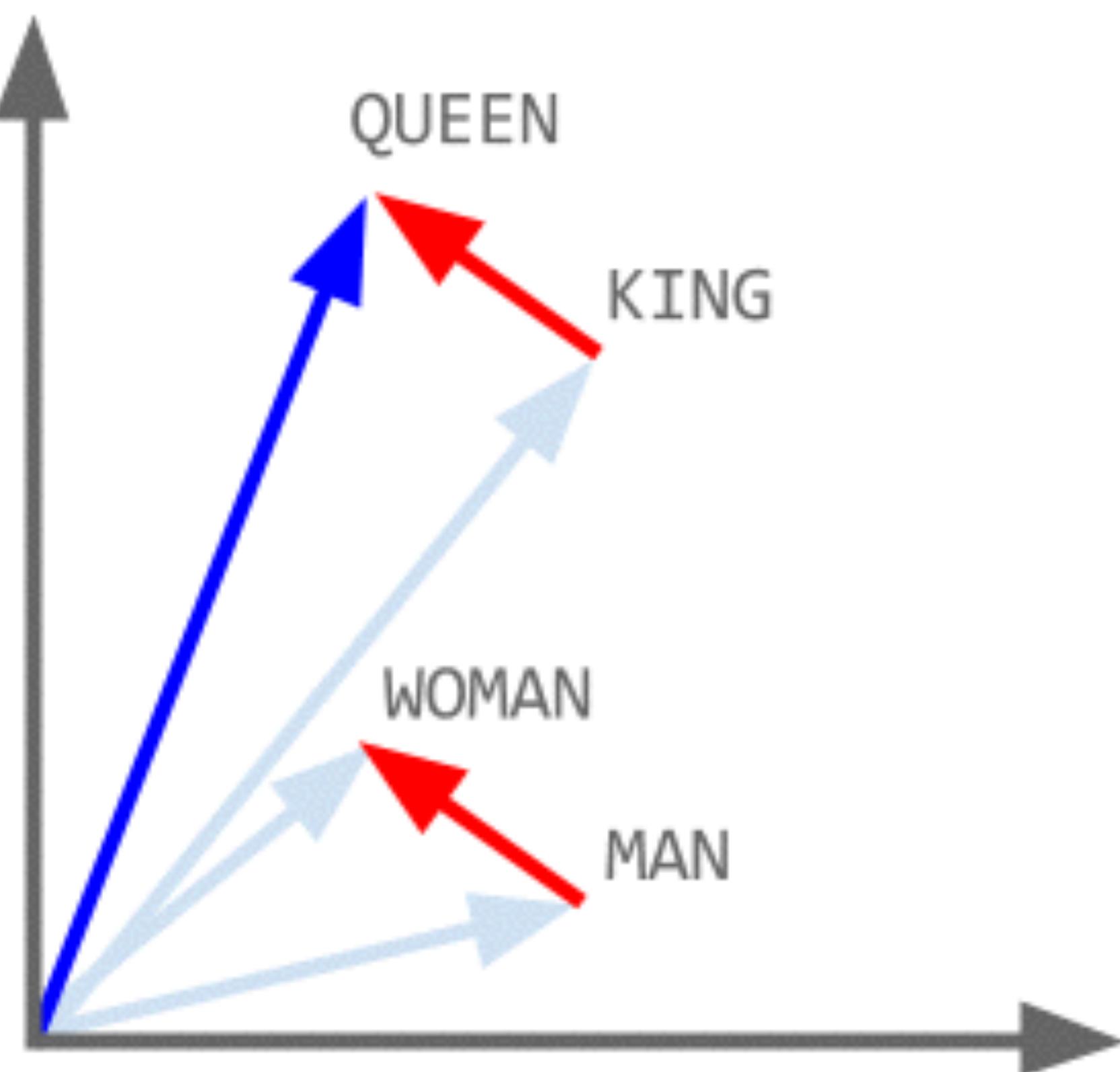
queen is closest to resulting vector



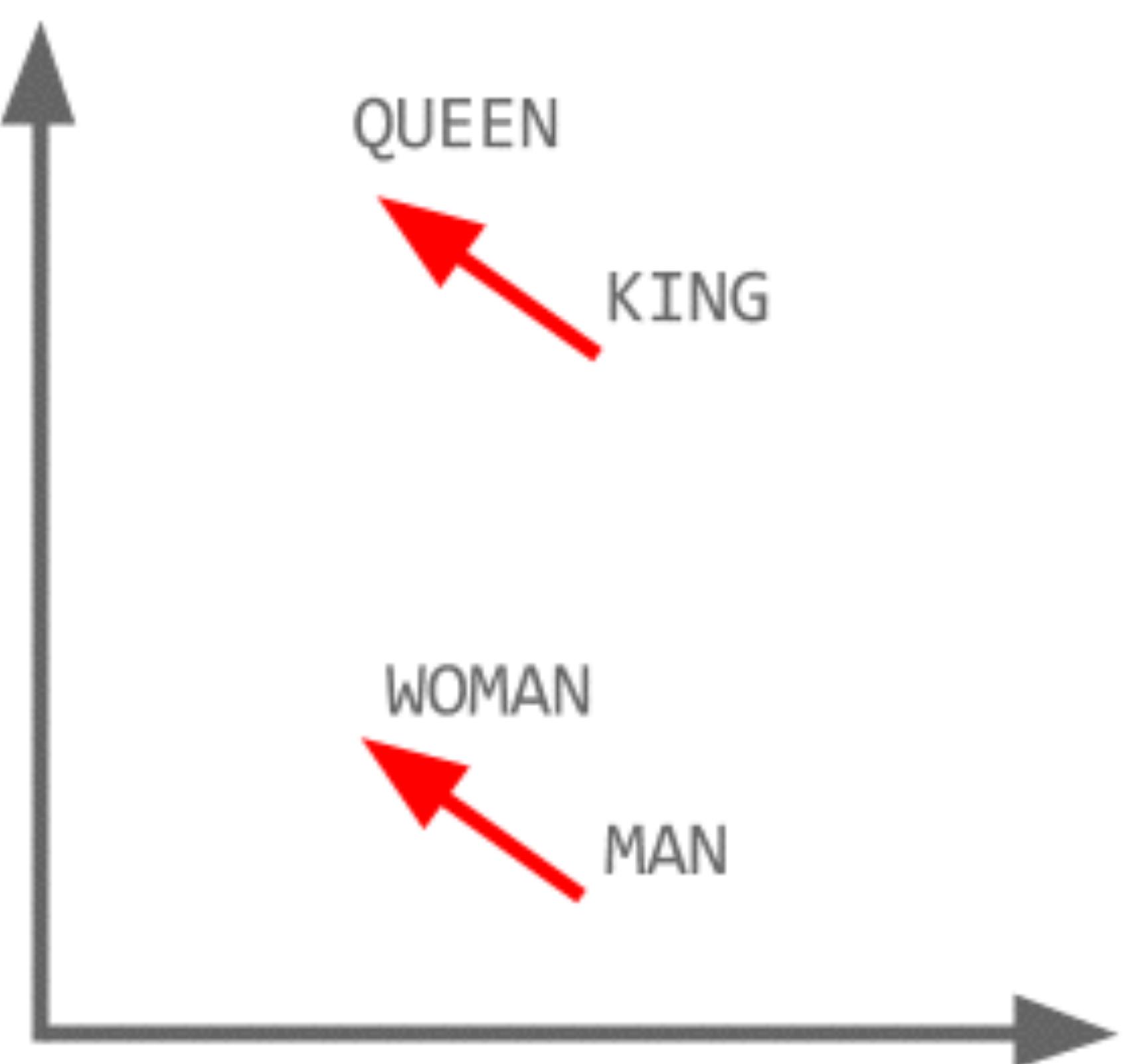
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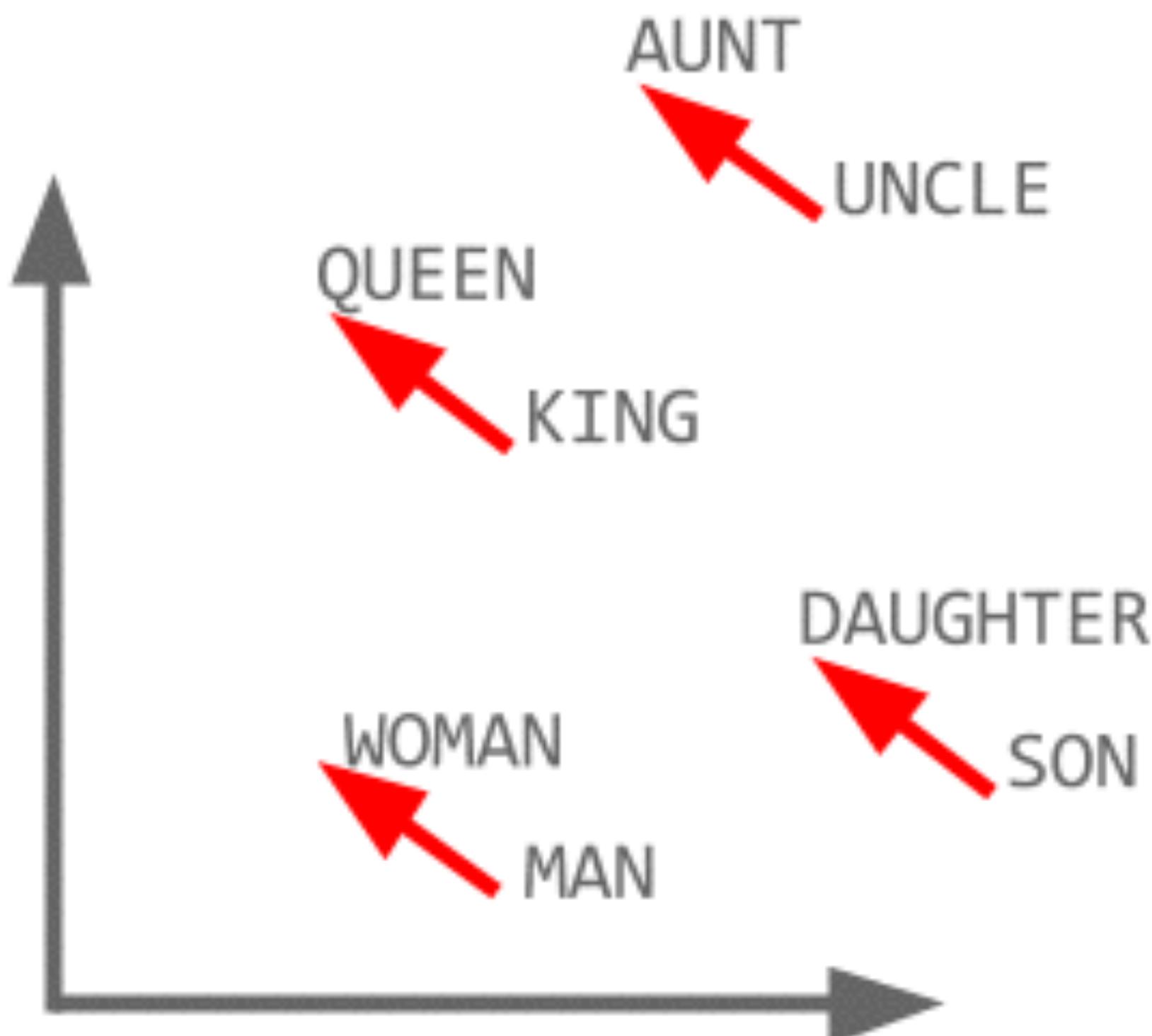
So king + man - woman = queen!



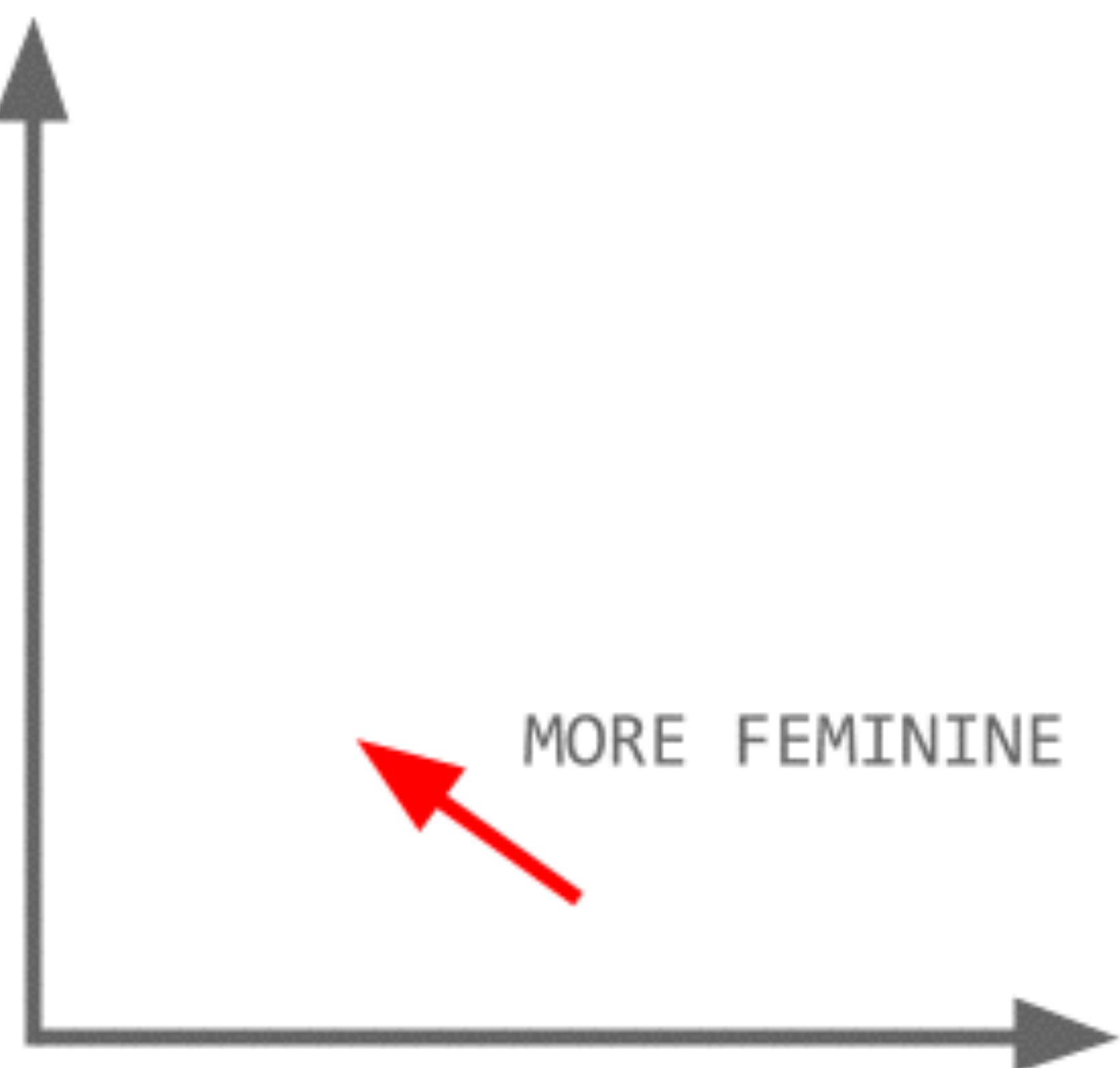
The **red direction** encodes gender



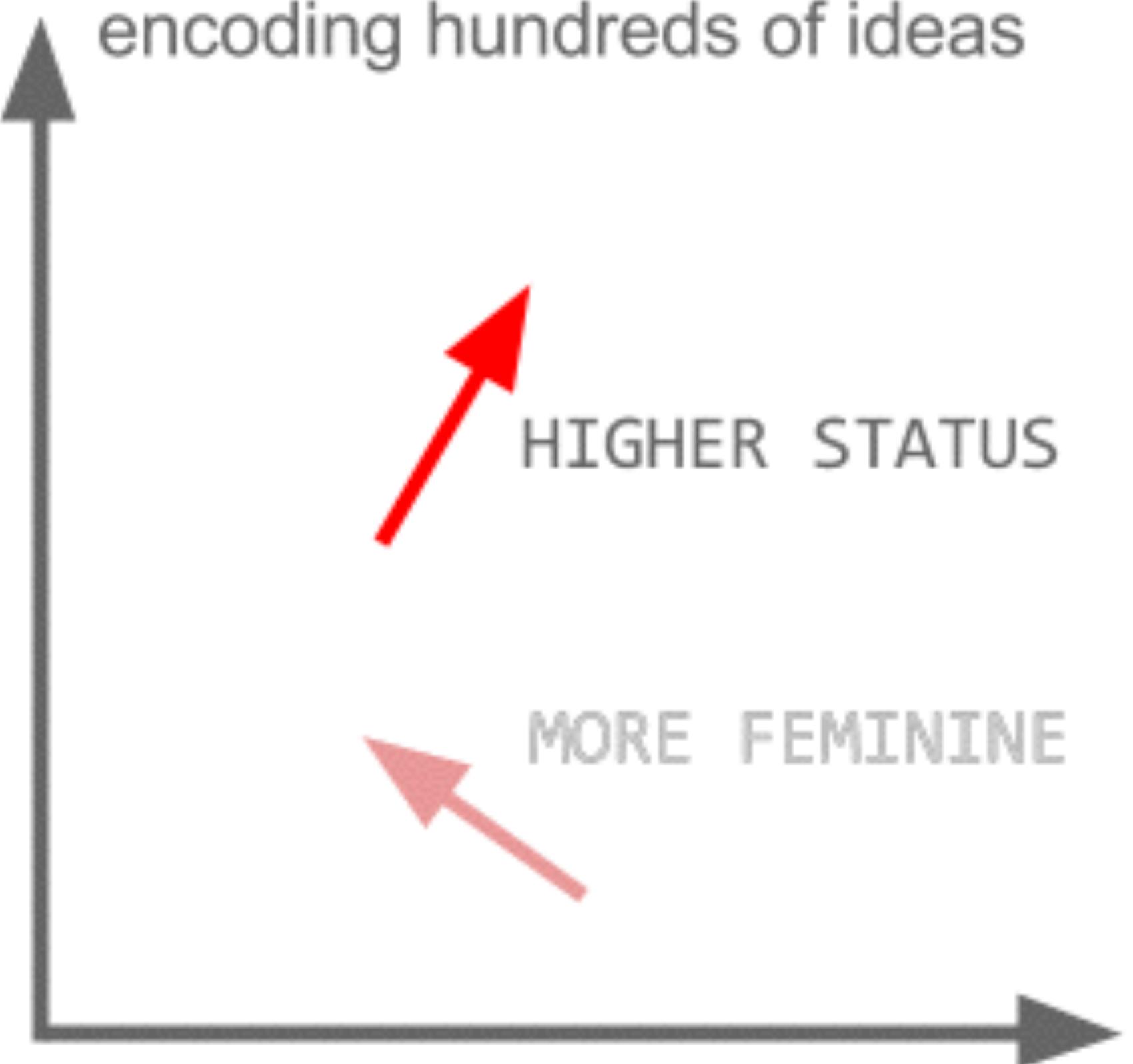
Which is consistent across all words



This **direction** always means **gender**



We have hundreds of **directions**
encoding hundreds of ideas



Czech + currency	Vietnam + capital	German + airlines	Russian + river	French + actress
koruna	Hanoi	airline Lufthansa	Moscow	Juliette Binoche
Check crown	Ho Chi Minh City	carrier Lufthansa	Volga River	Vanessa Paradis
Polish zolty	Viet Nam	flag carrier Lufthansa	upriver	Charlotte Gainsbourg
CTK	Vietnamese	Lufthansa	Russia	Cecile De



+ ‘Pregnant’

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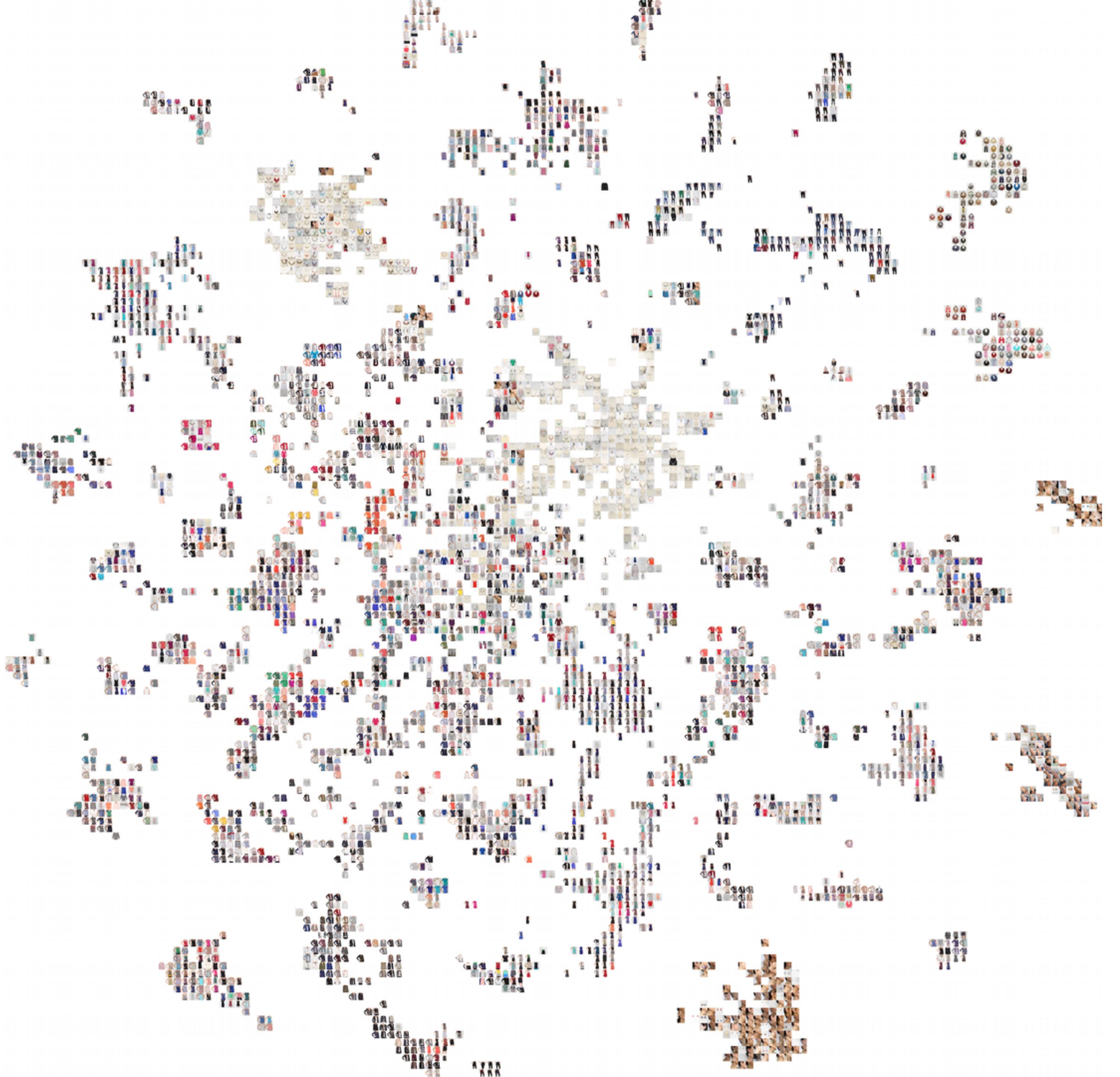
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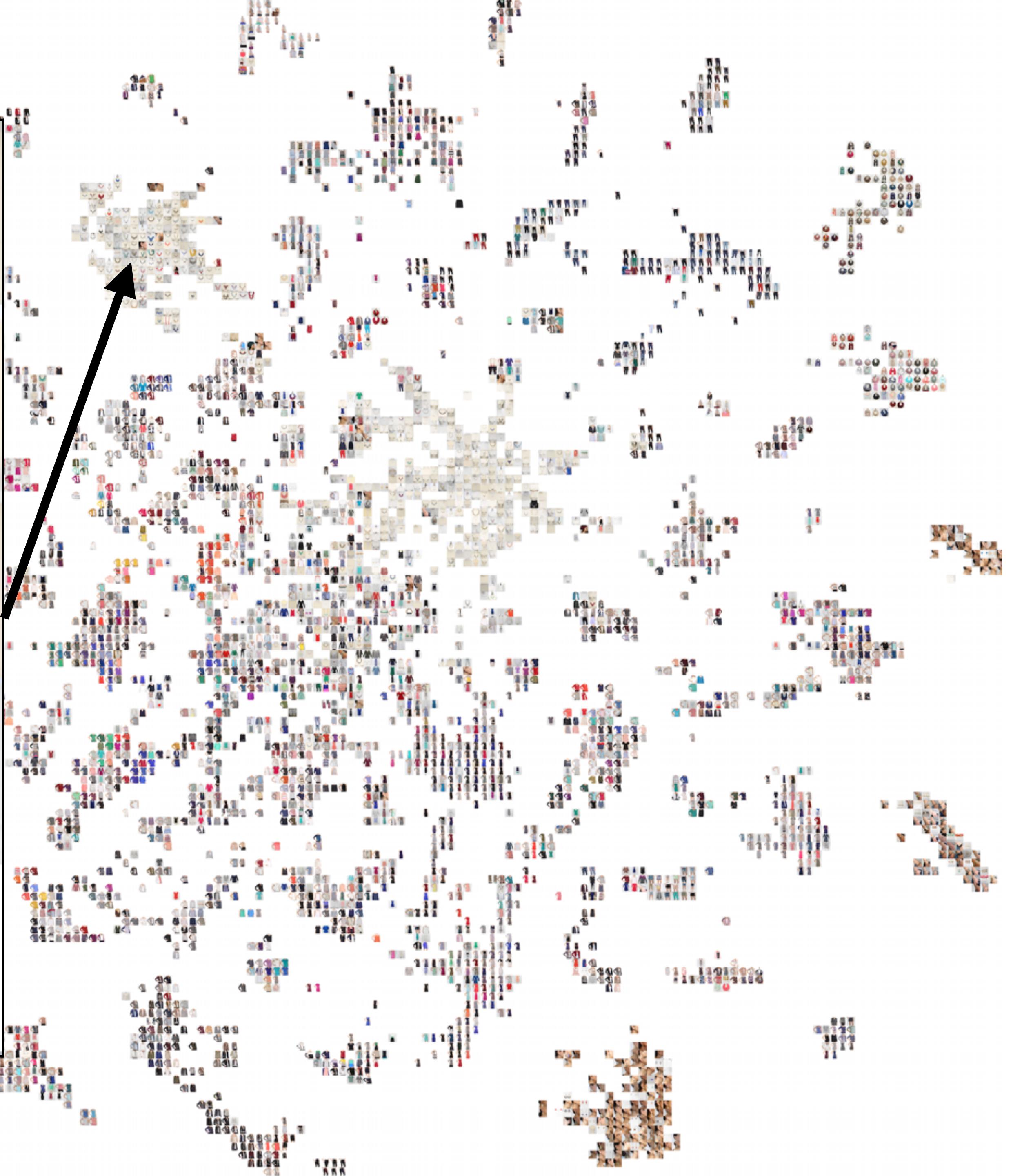
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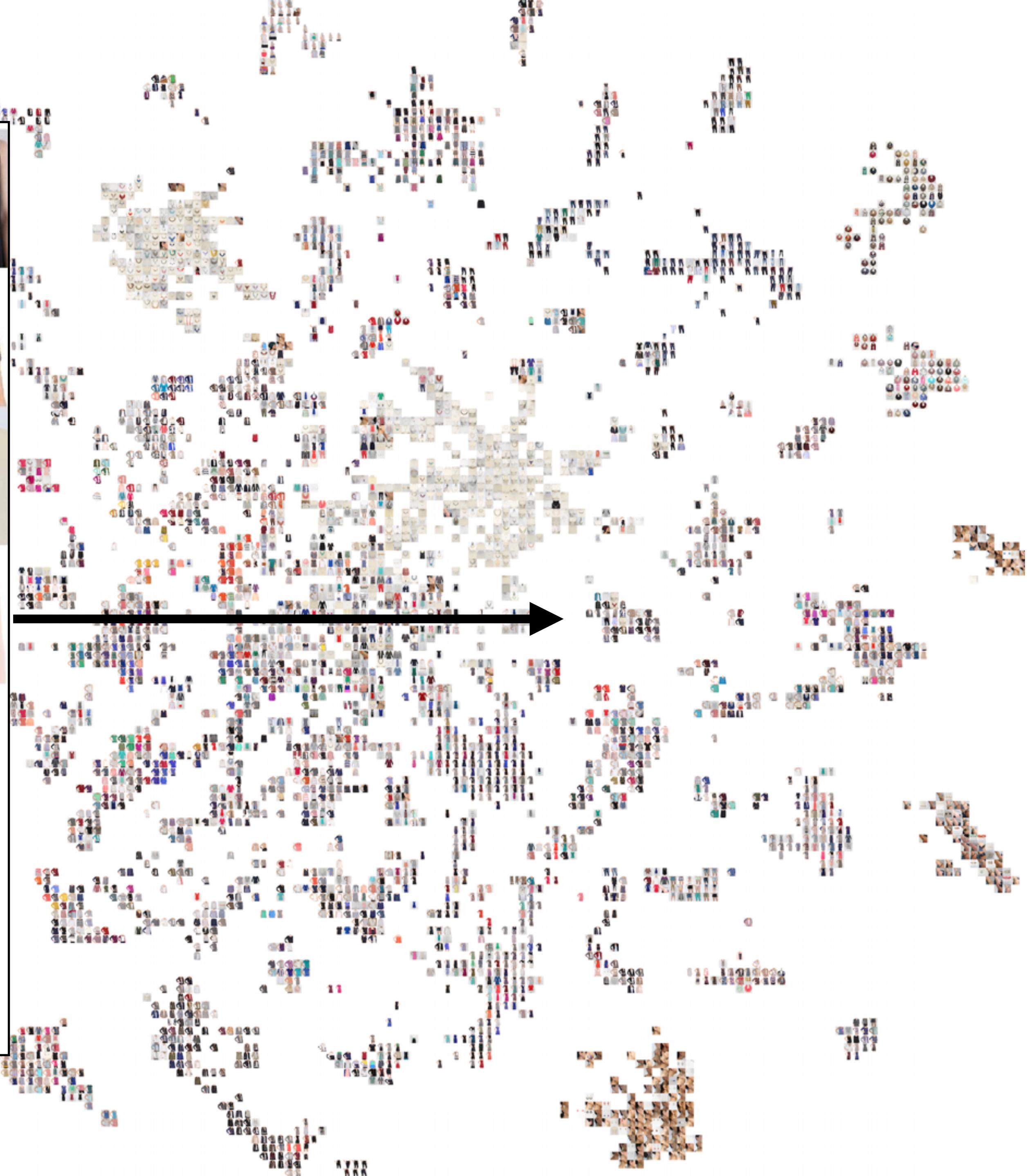
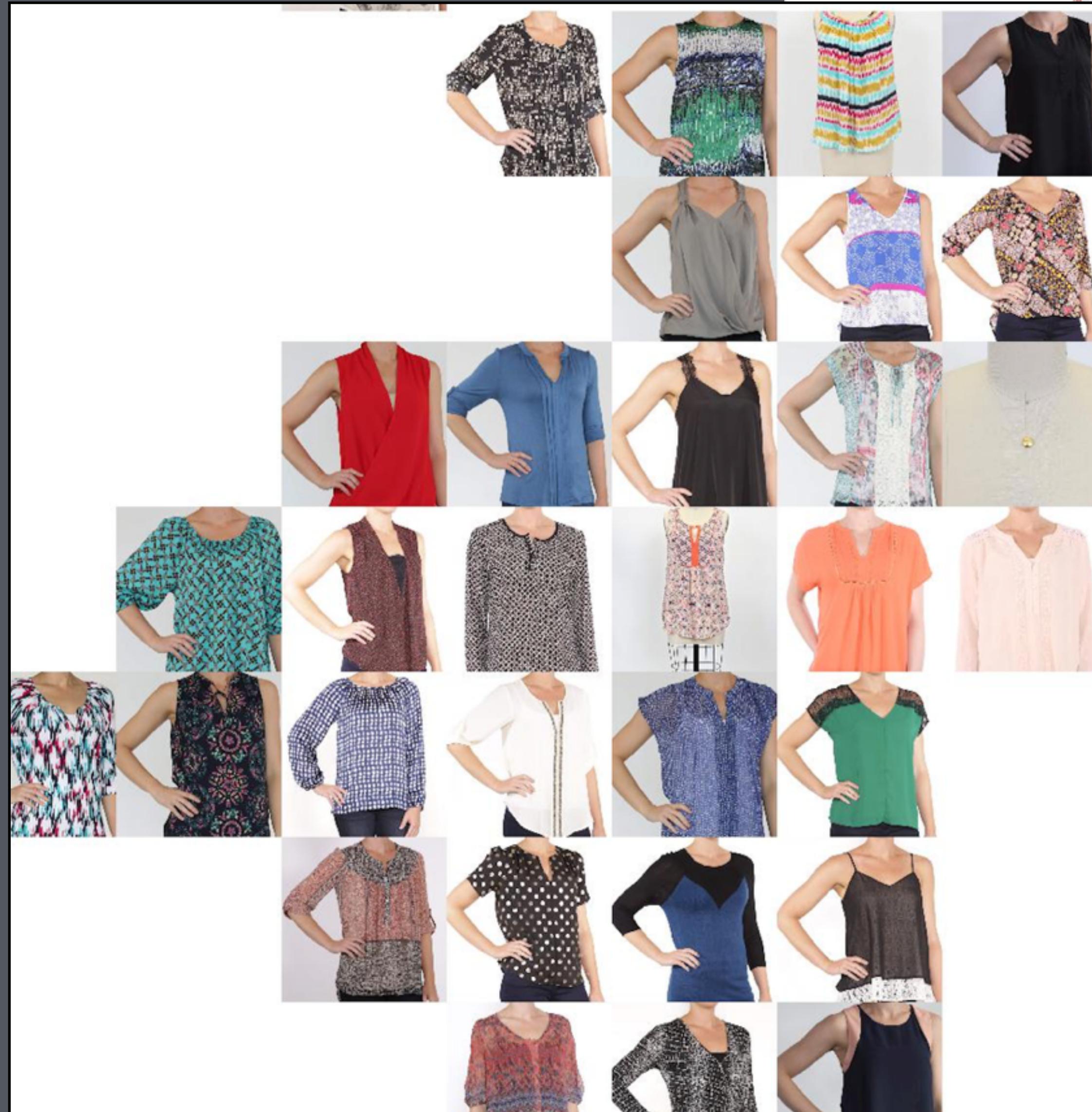


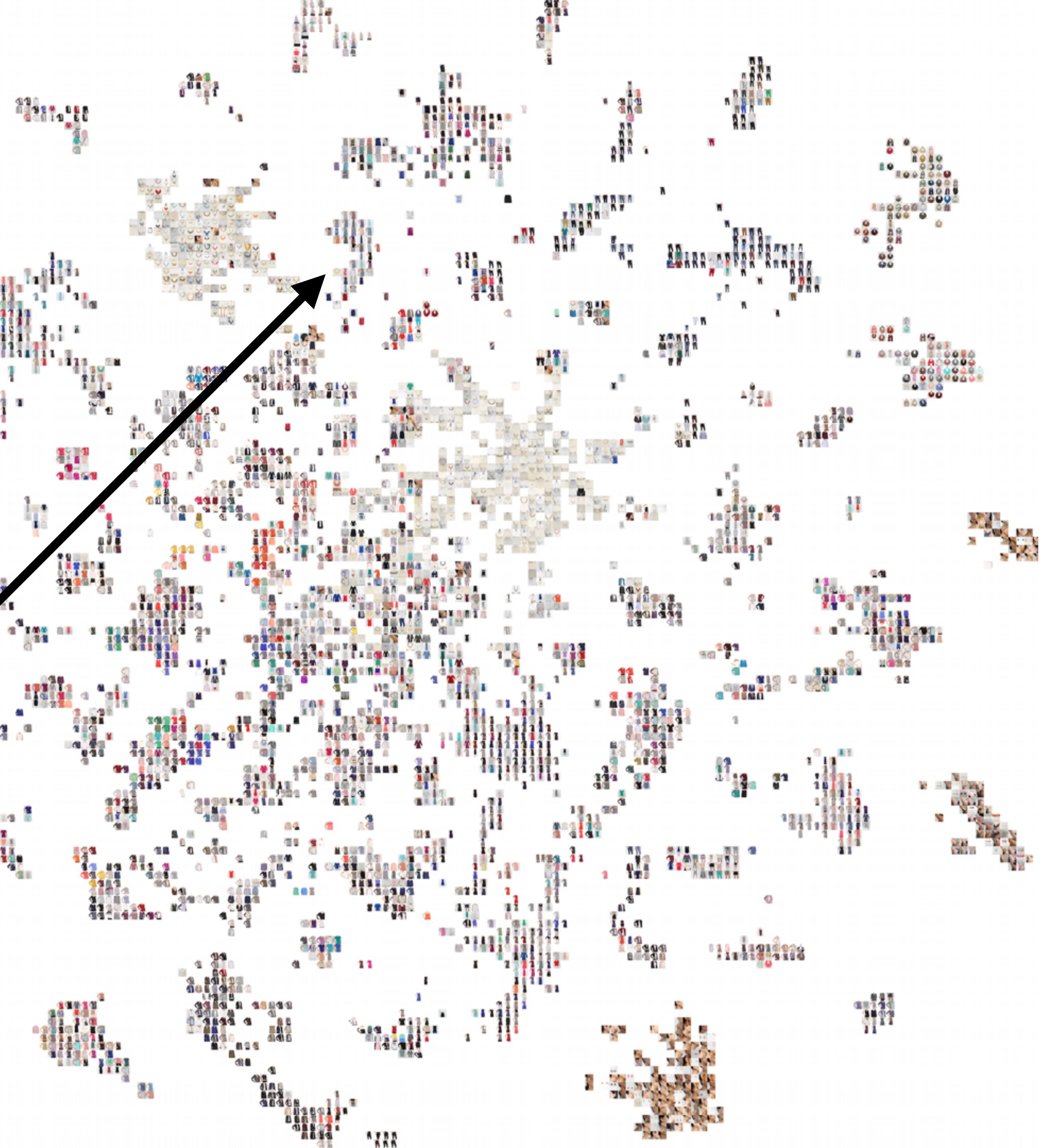
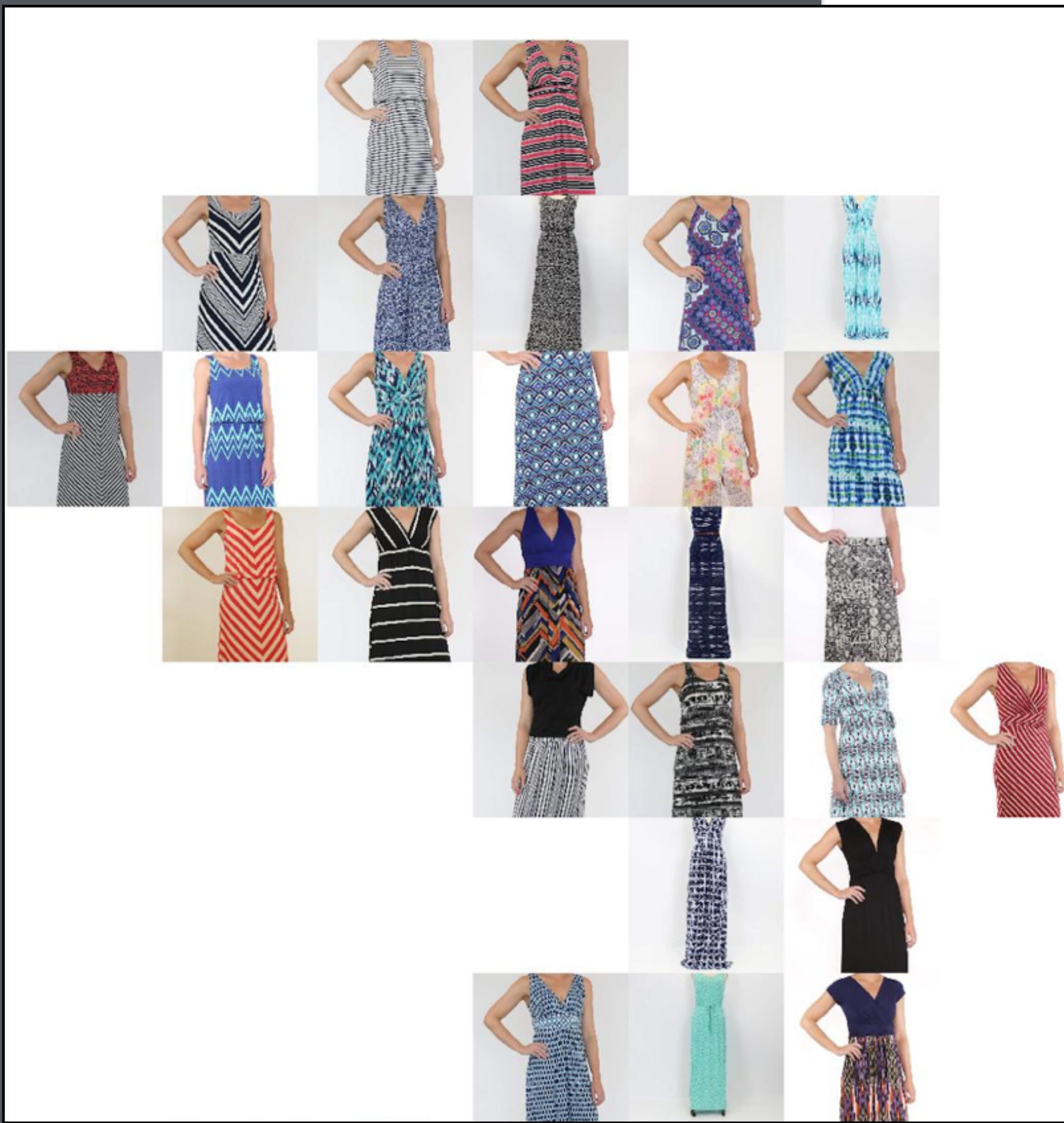
what about LDA?

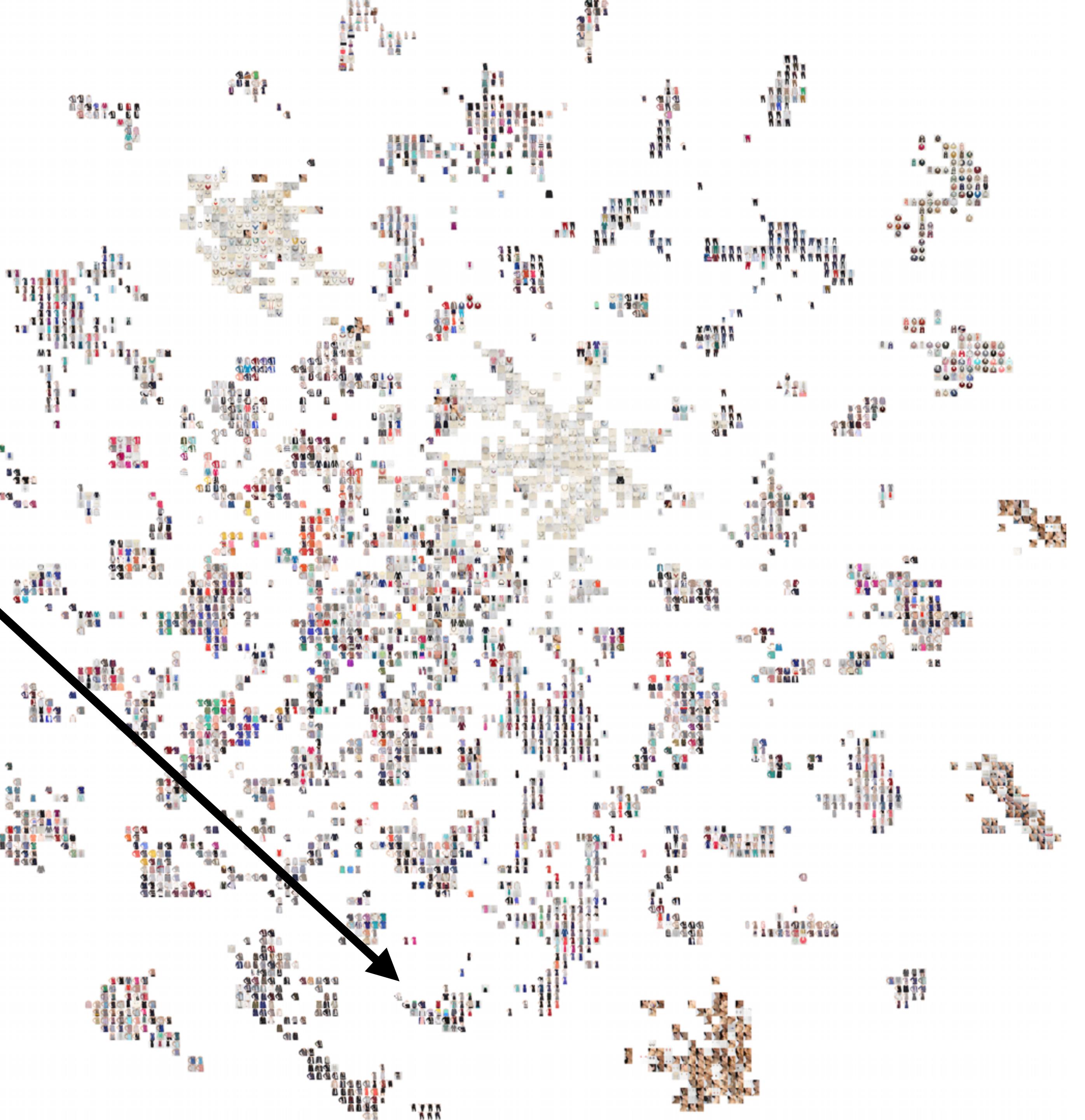
LDA on Client Item Descriptions

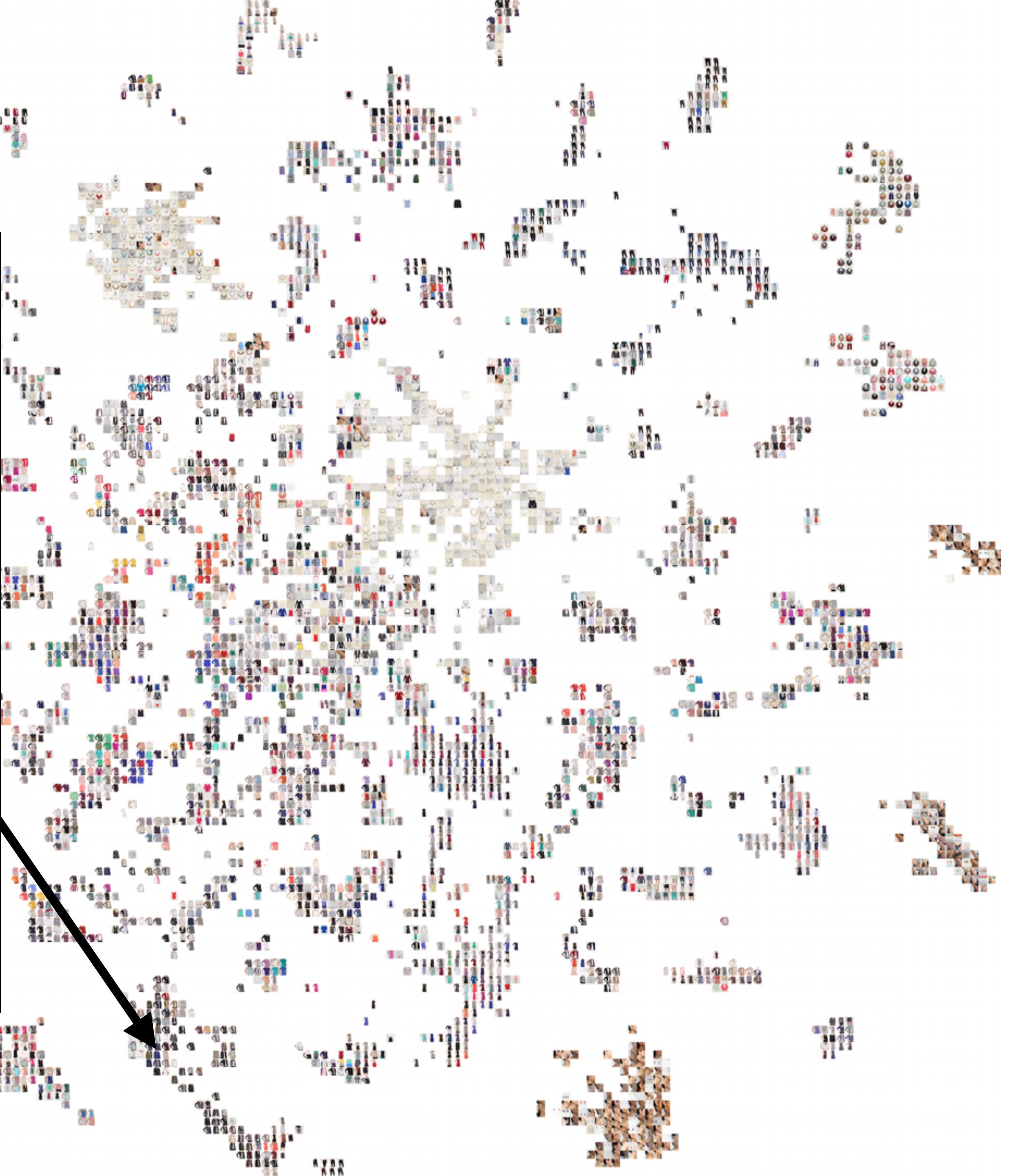




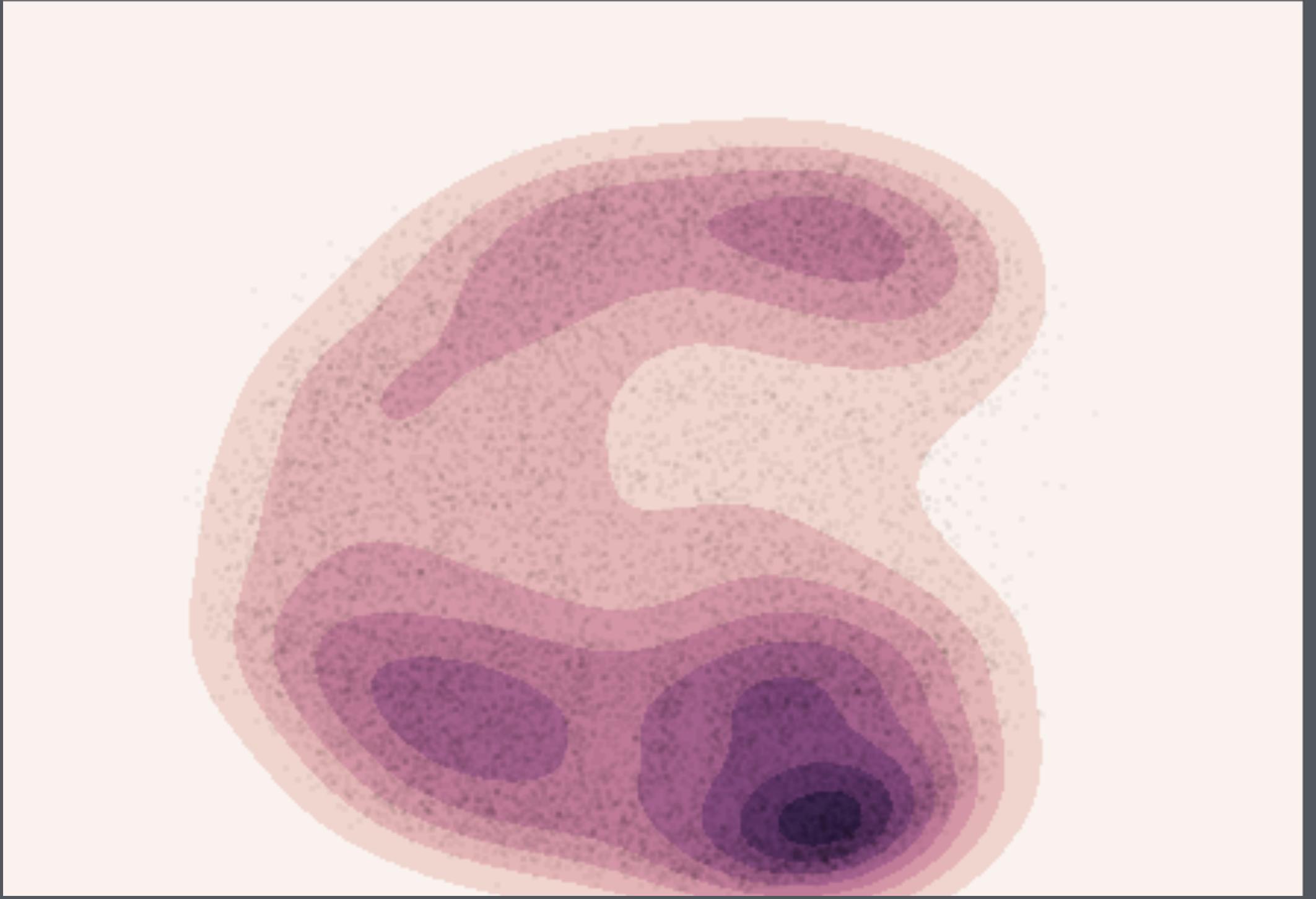






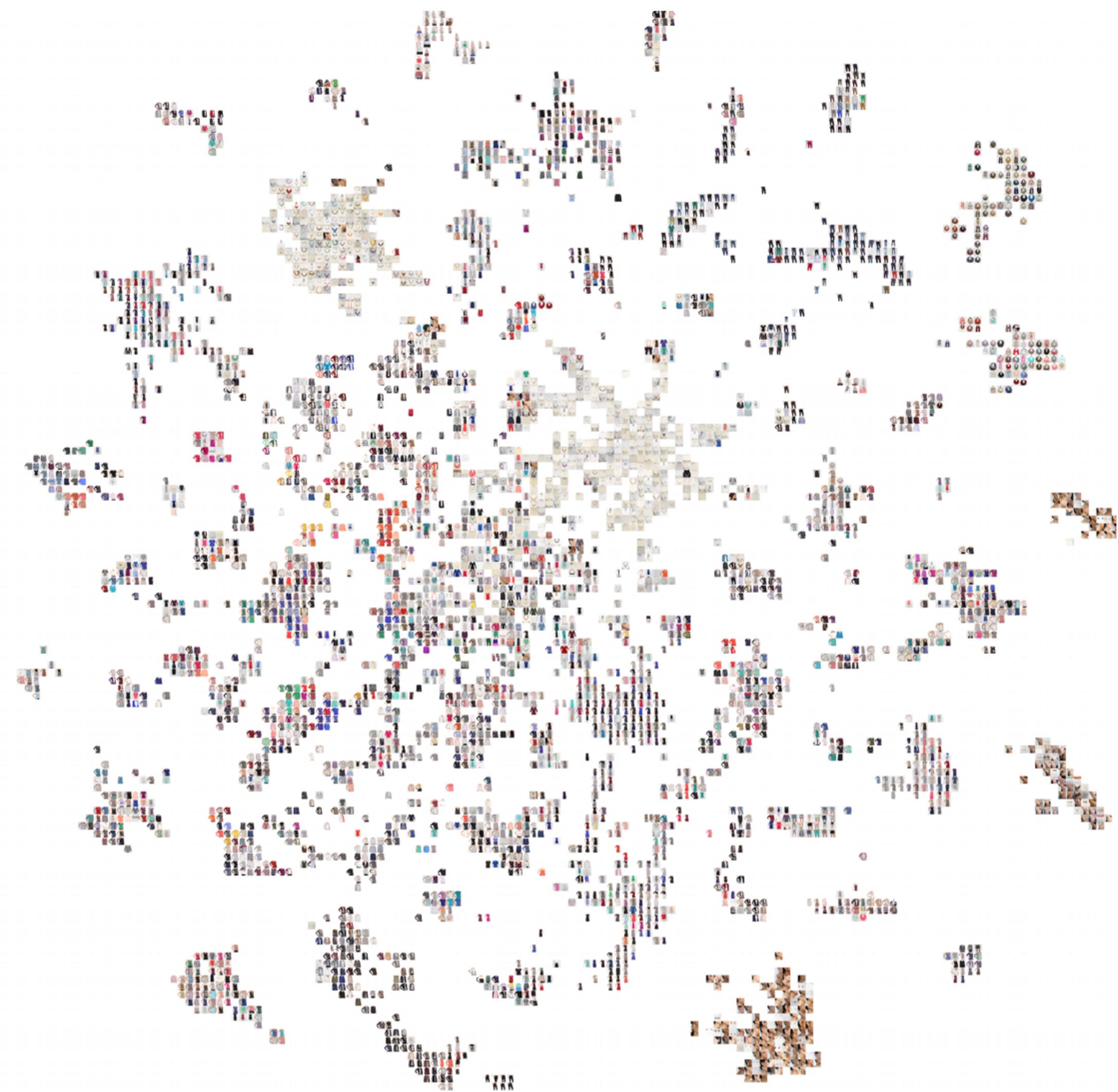


Pairwise gamma correlation
from style ratings



Diversity from ratings

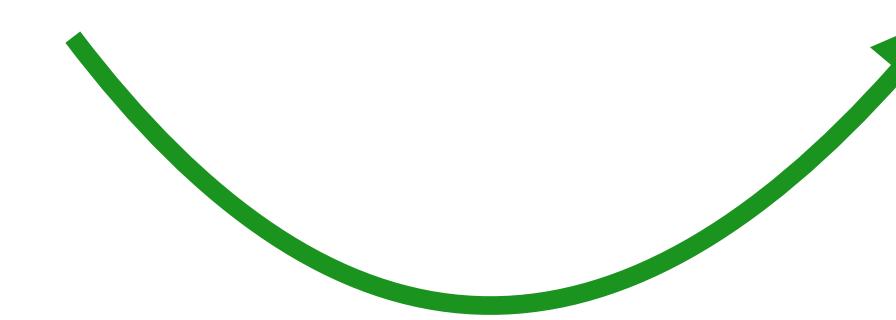
Latent style vectors from text



Diversity from text

lda vs word2vec

“I love finding new designer brands for jeans”



word2vec is *local*:
one word predicts a nearby word

client_comments

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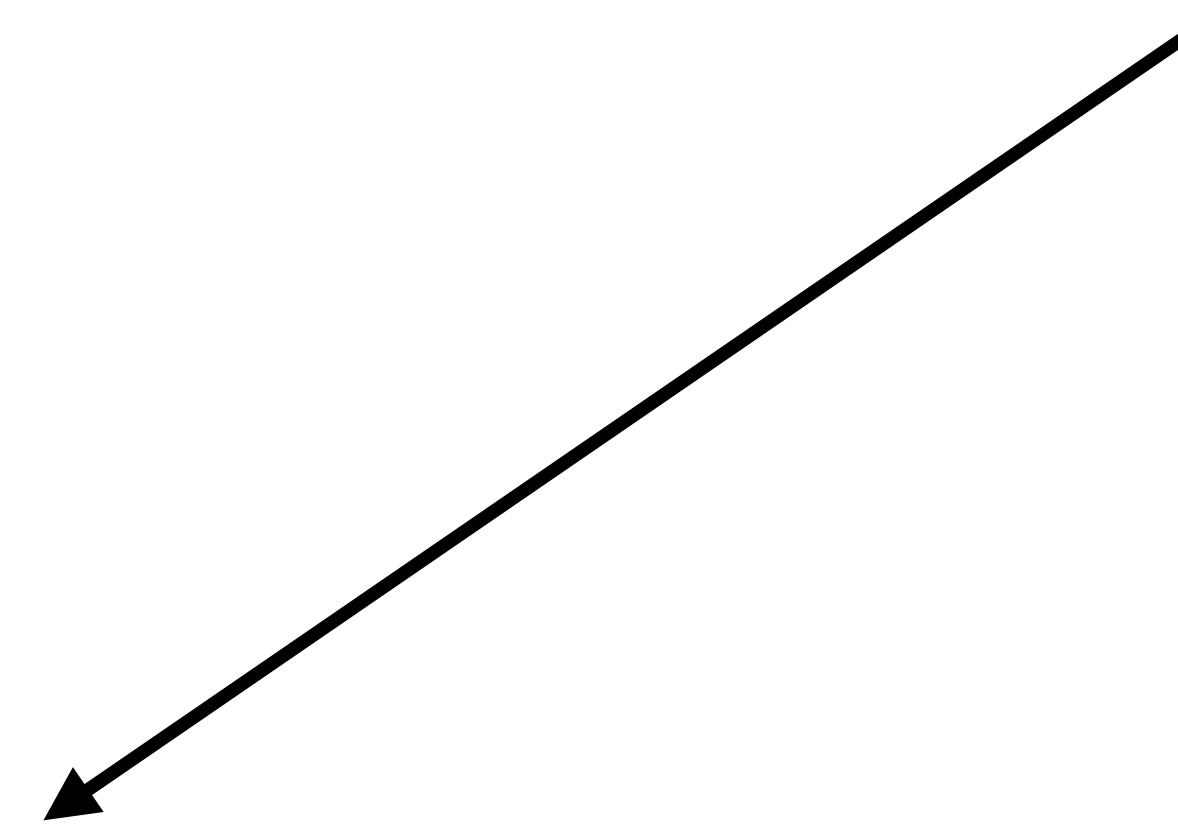
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But text is usually organized.



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“I love finding new designer brands for jeans”

doc 7681



In LDA, documents *globally* predict words.

typical word2vec vector

[-0.75, -1.25, -0.55, -0.12, +2.2]

typical LDA document vector

[0%, 9%, 78%, 11%]

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All real values

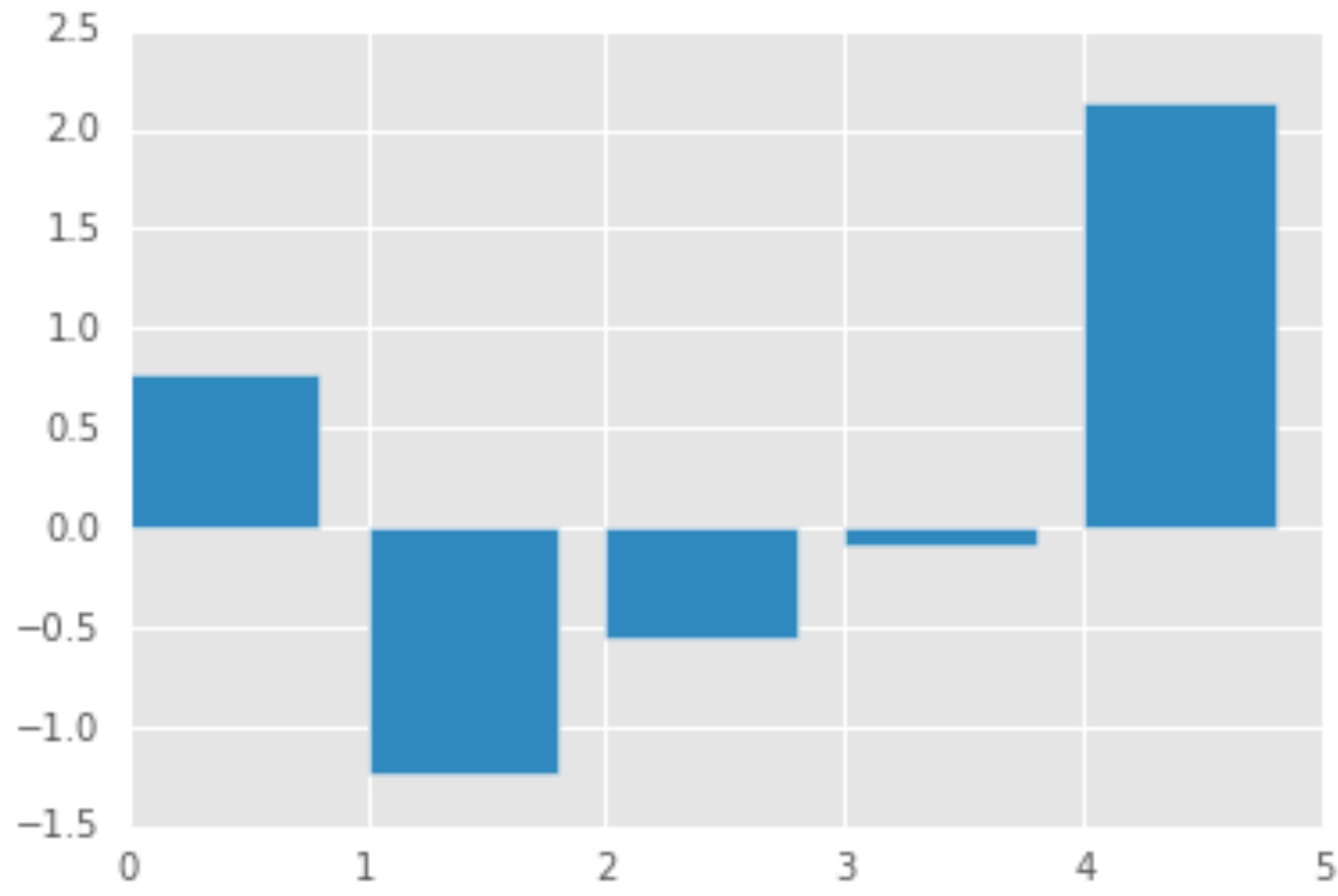
typical LDA document vector

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All sum to 100%

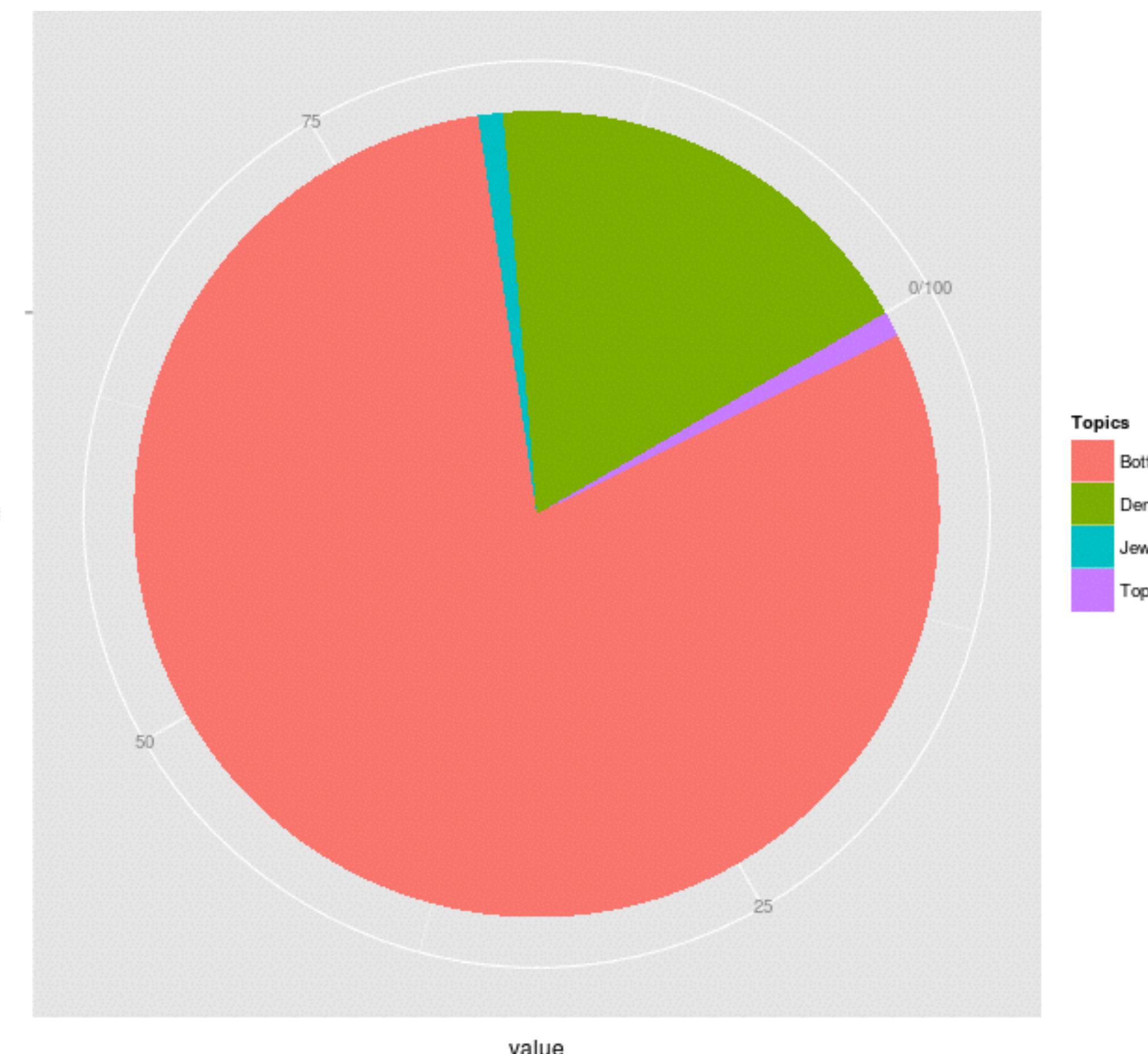
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5D LDA document vector

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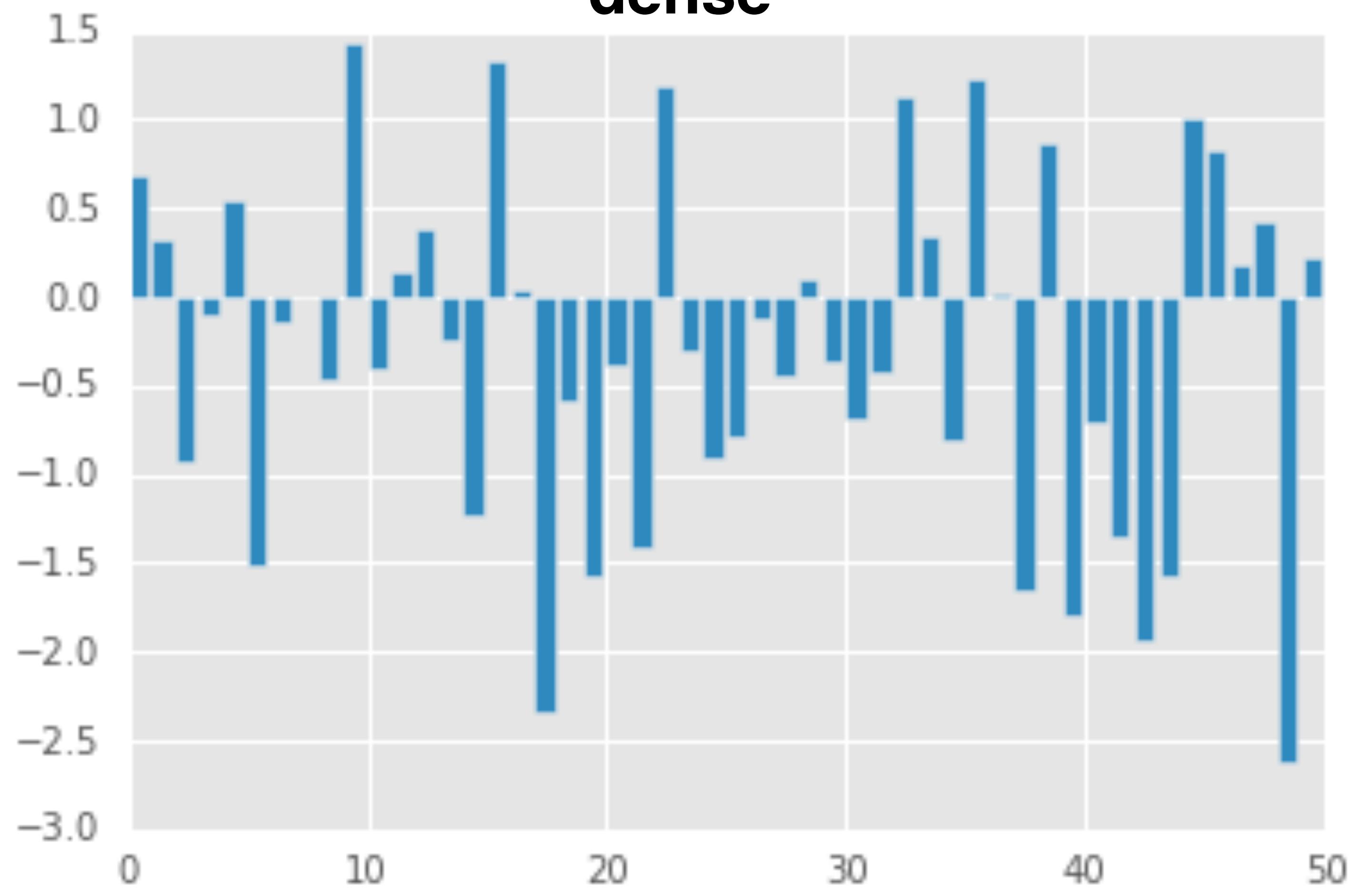
100D word2vec vector

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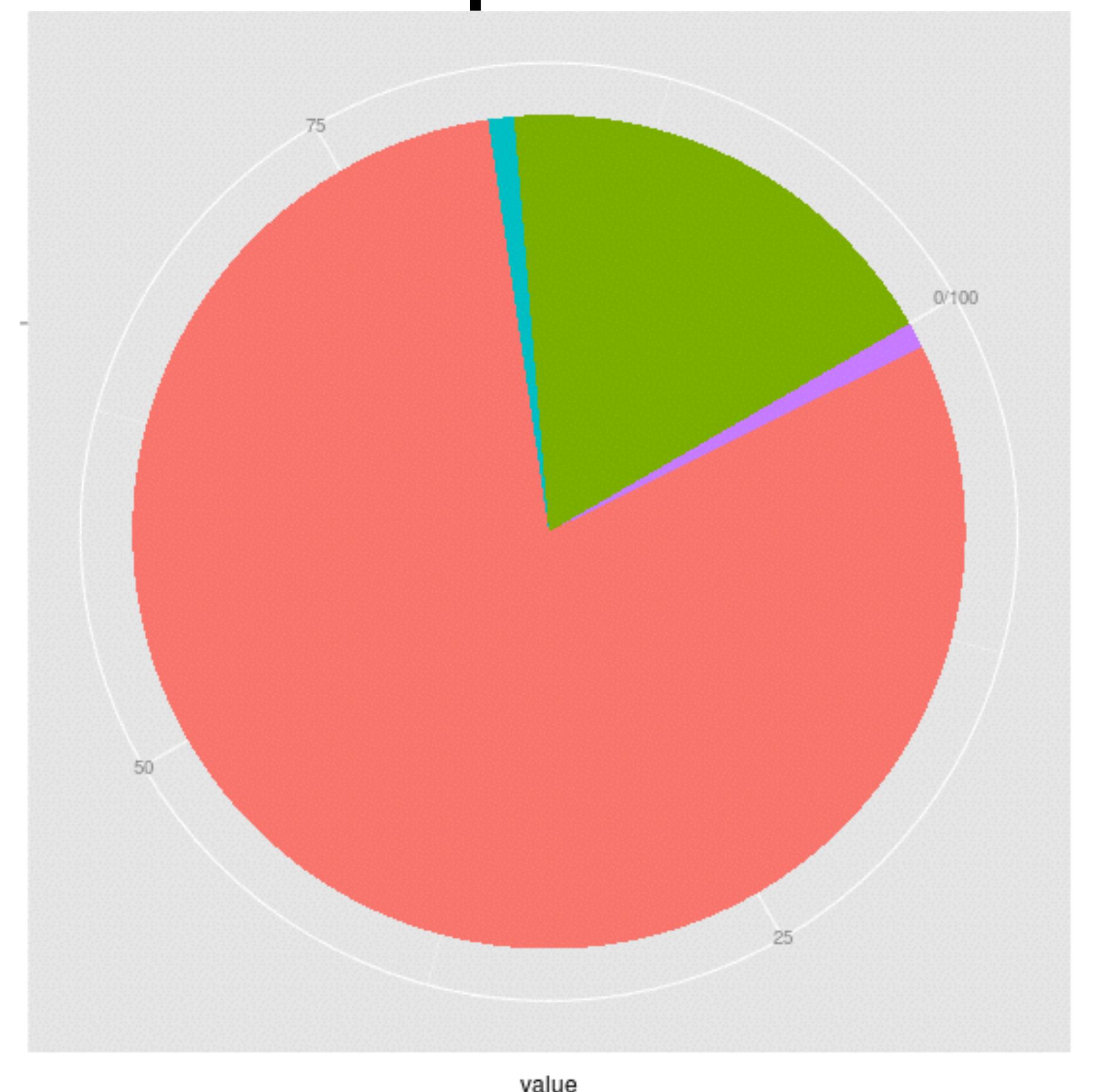
100D LDA document vector

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dense



sparse



100D word2vec vector

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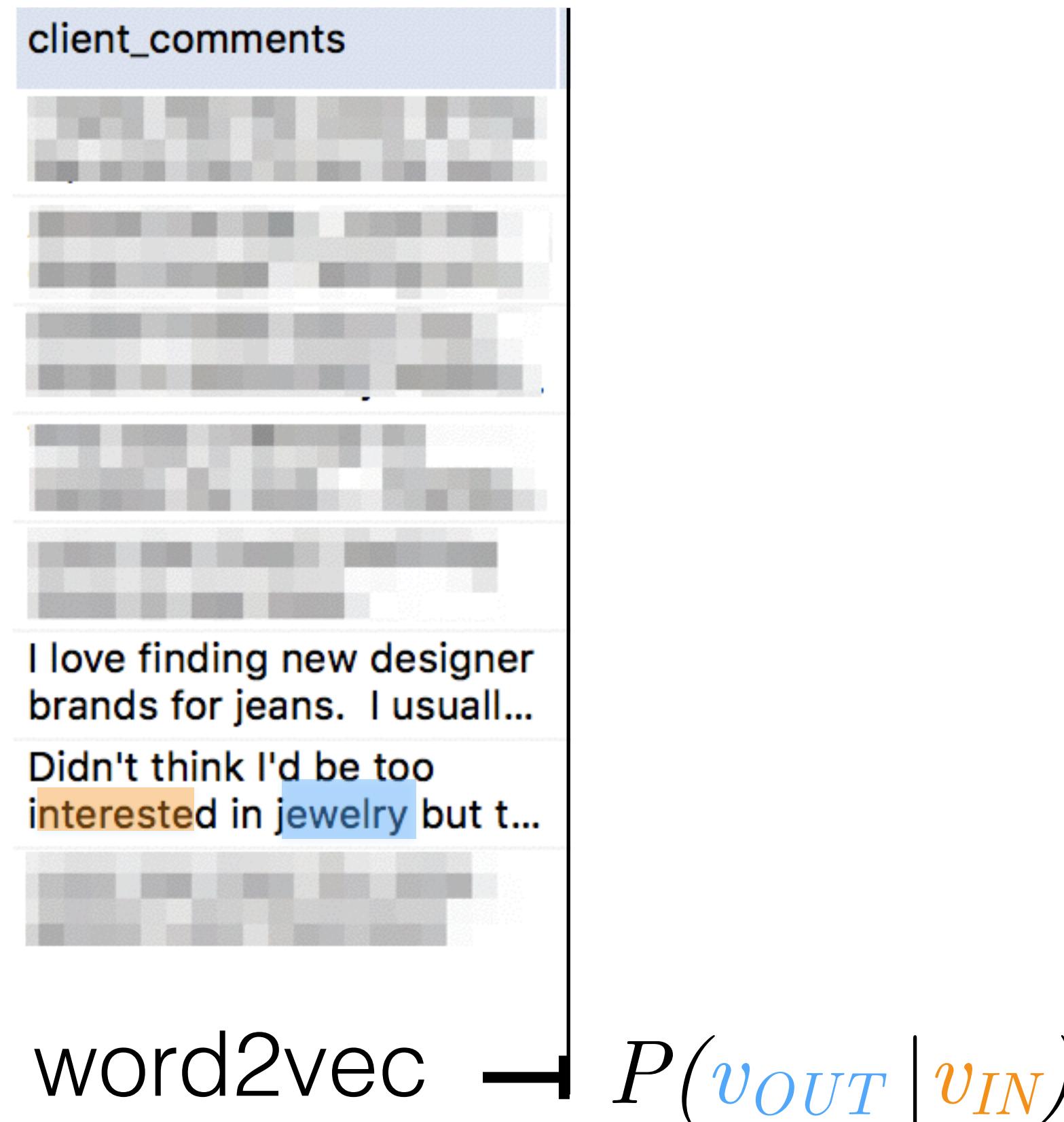
Similar in 100D ways
(very **flexible**)

Similar in fewer ways
(more **interpretable**)

+mixture
+sparse

can we do both? **lda2vec**

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Use all of this context to learn
interpretable topics.



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word2vec

LDA

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{DOC})$$

this document is
80% high fashion

this document is
60% style



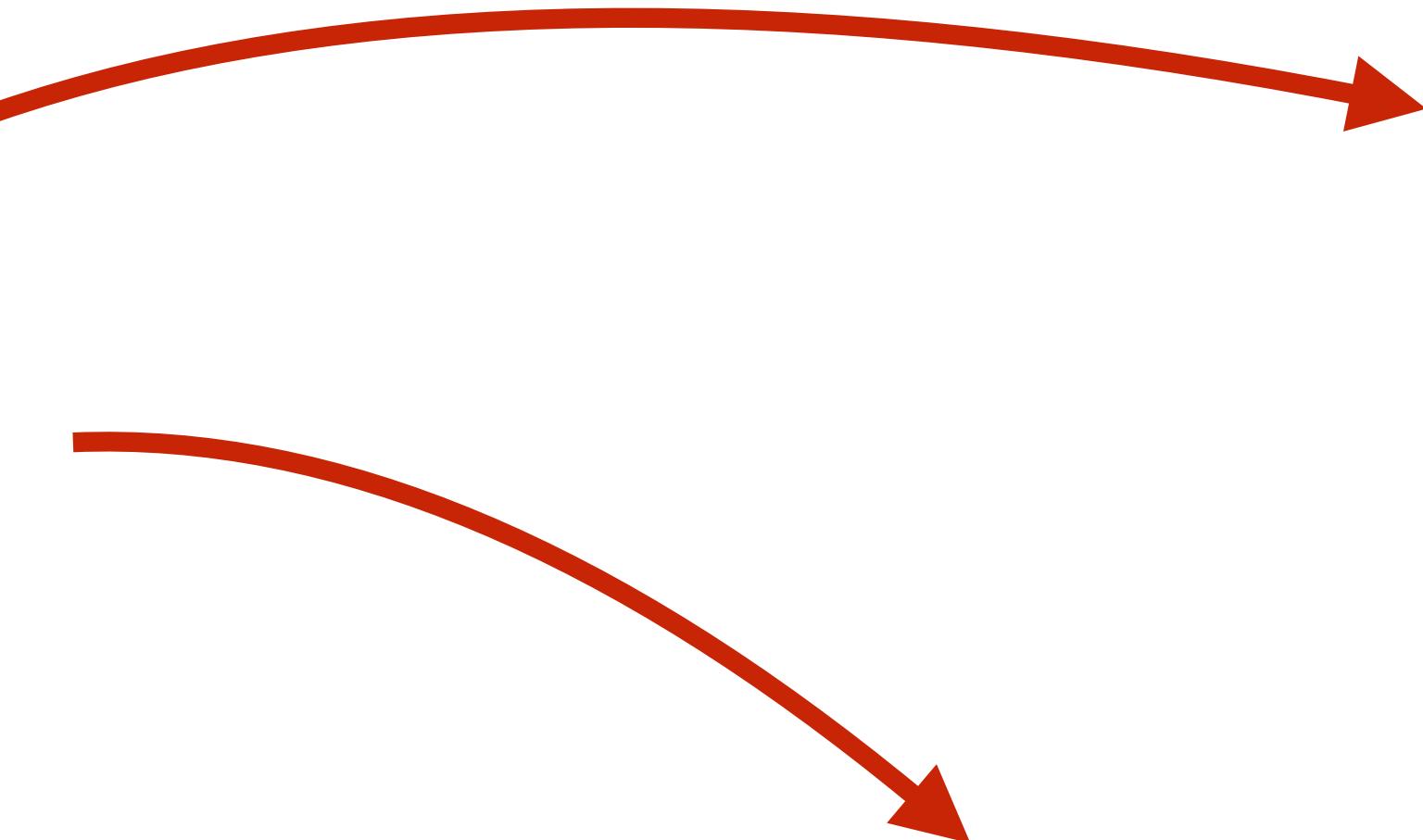
@chrisemoody

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[REDACTED]	5872	194
[REDACTED]	5951	158
[REDACTED]	4017	991
[REDACTED]	5953	193
I love finding new designer brands for jeans. I usually...	7681	314
Didn't think I'd be too interested in jewelry but t...	3870	43
[REDACTED]	6286	151

word2vec

LDA



this zip code is
80% hot climate

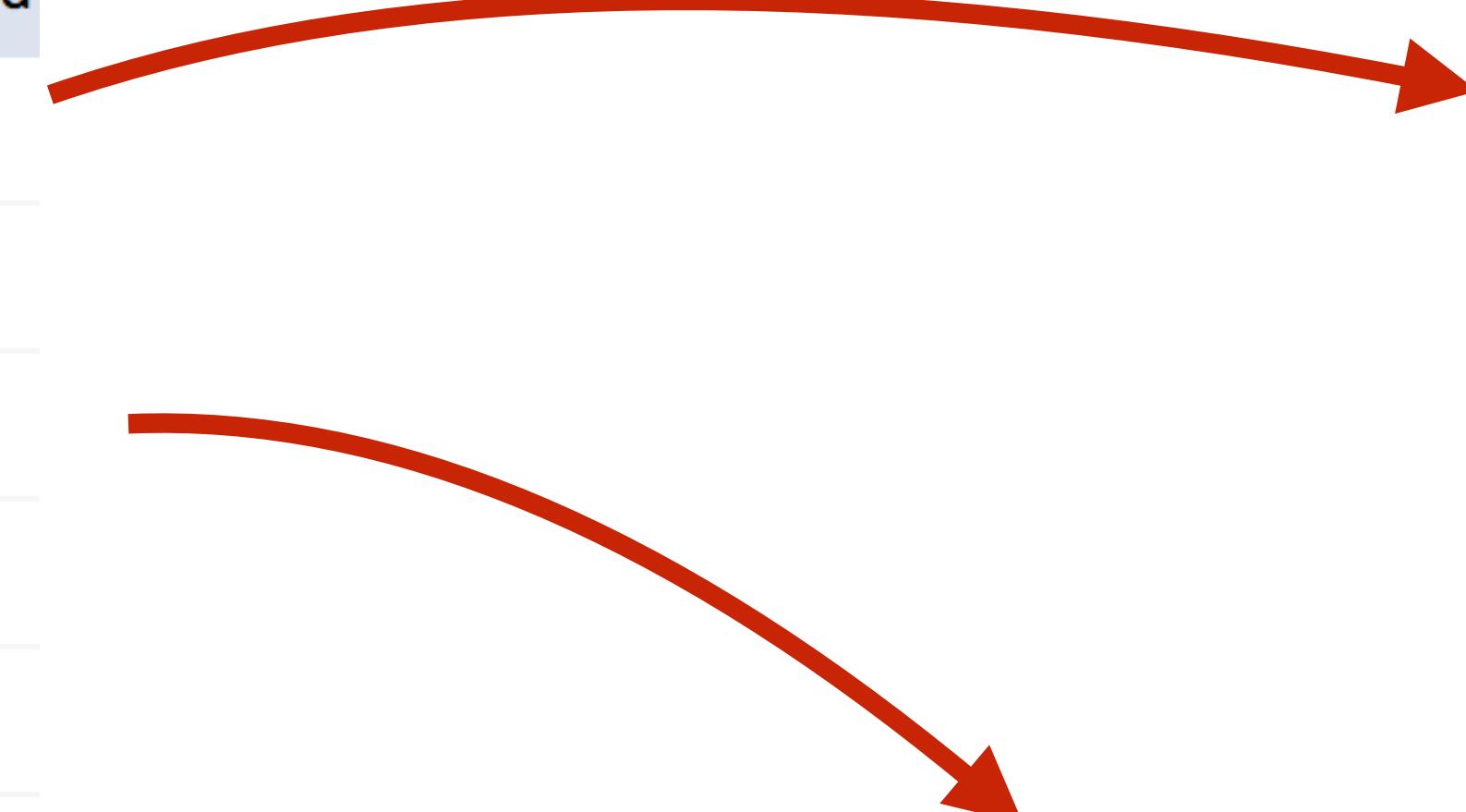
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word2vec

LDA



this client is
80% sporty

this client is
60% casual wear

v_{IN} v_{OUT}
“ PS! Thank you for such an awesome top ”


word2vec predicts *locally*:
one word predicts a nearby word

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN})$$

v_{DOC}

doc_id=1846 “PS! Thank you for such an awesome **top**”

v_{OUT}

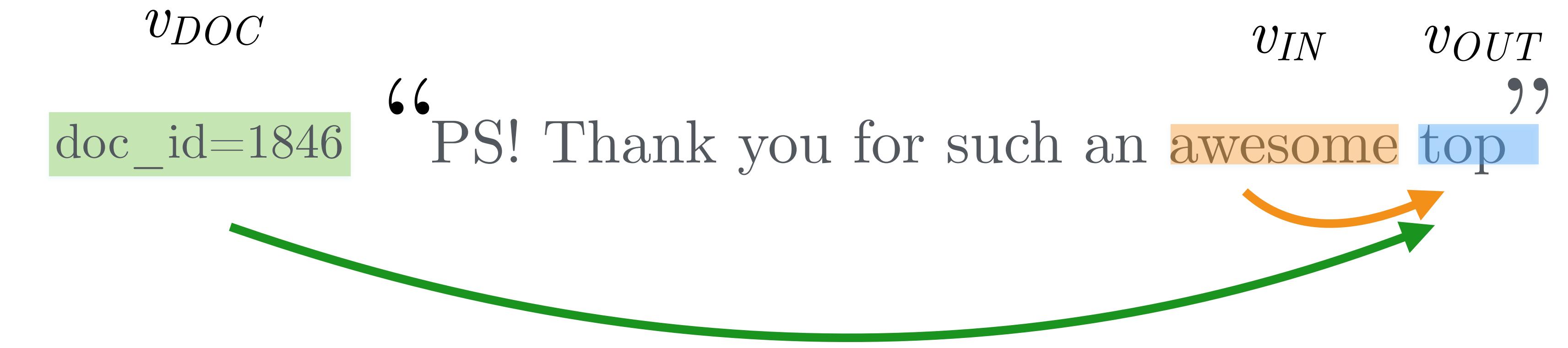


LDA predicts a **word** from a *global* context

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{DOC})$$



can we predict a **word** both *locally* and *globally* ?



can we predict a word both *locally* and *globally*?

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC})$$

v_{DOC}

“PS! Thank you for such an awesome top”

v_{IN} v_{OUT}

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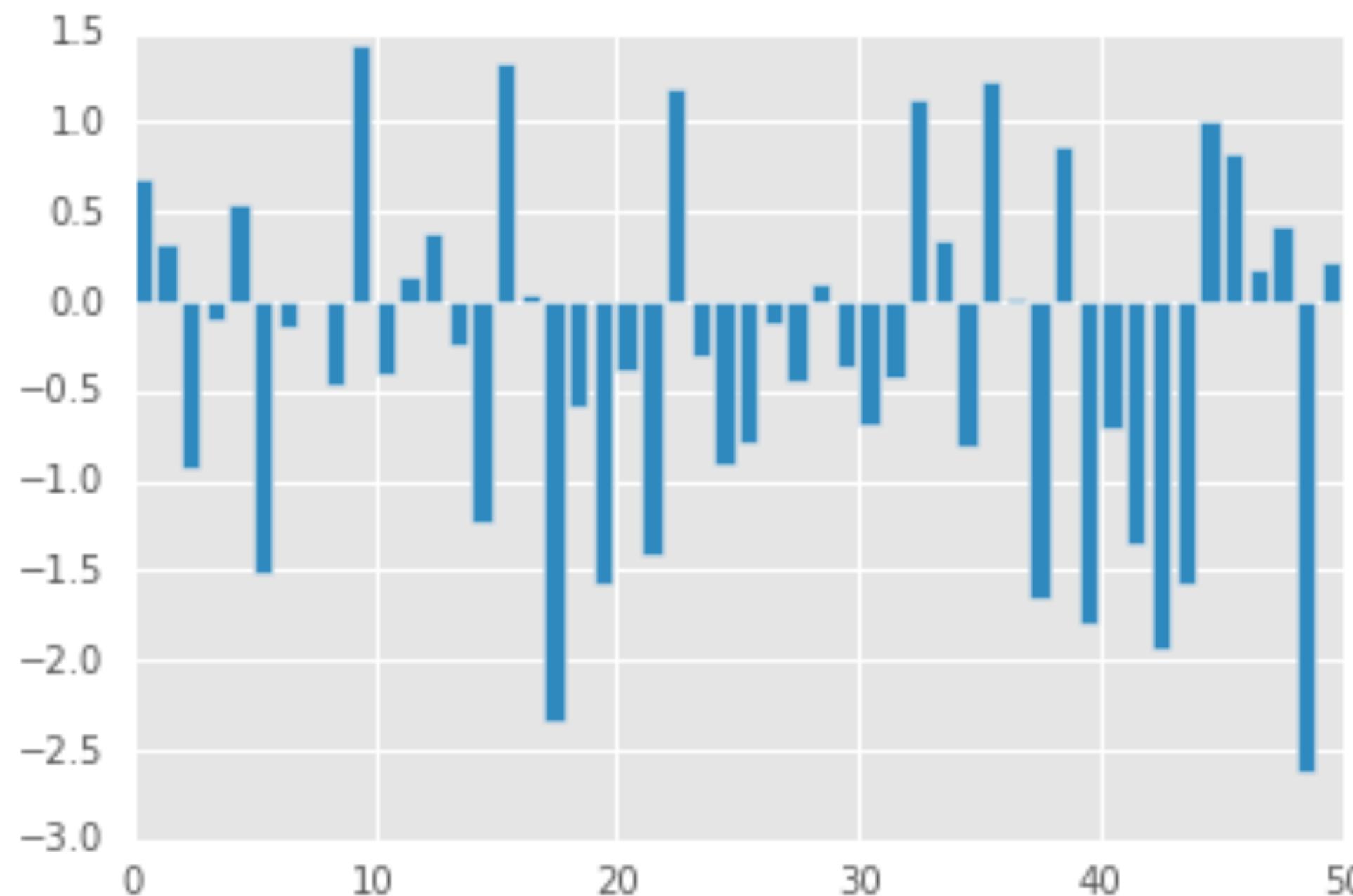
can we predict a word both *locally* and *globally*?

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC})$$

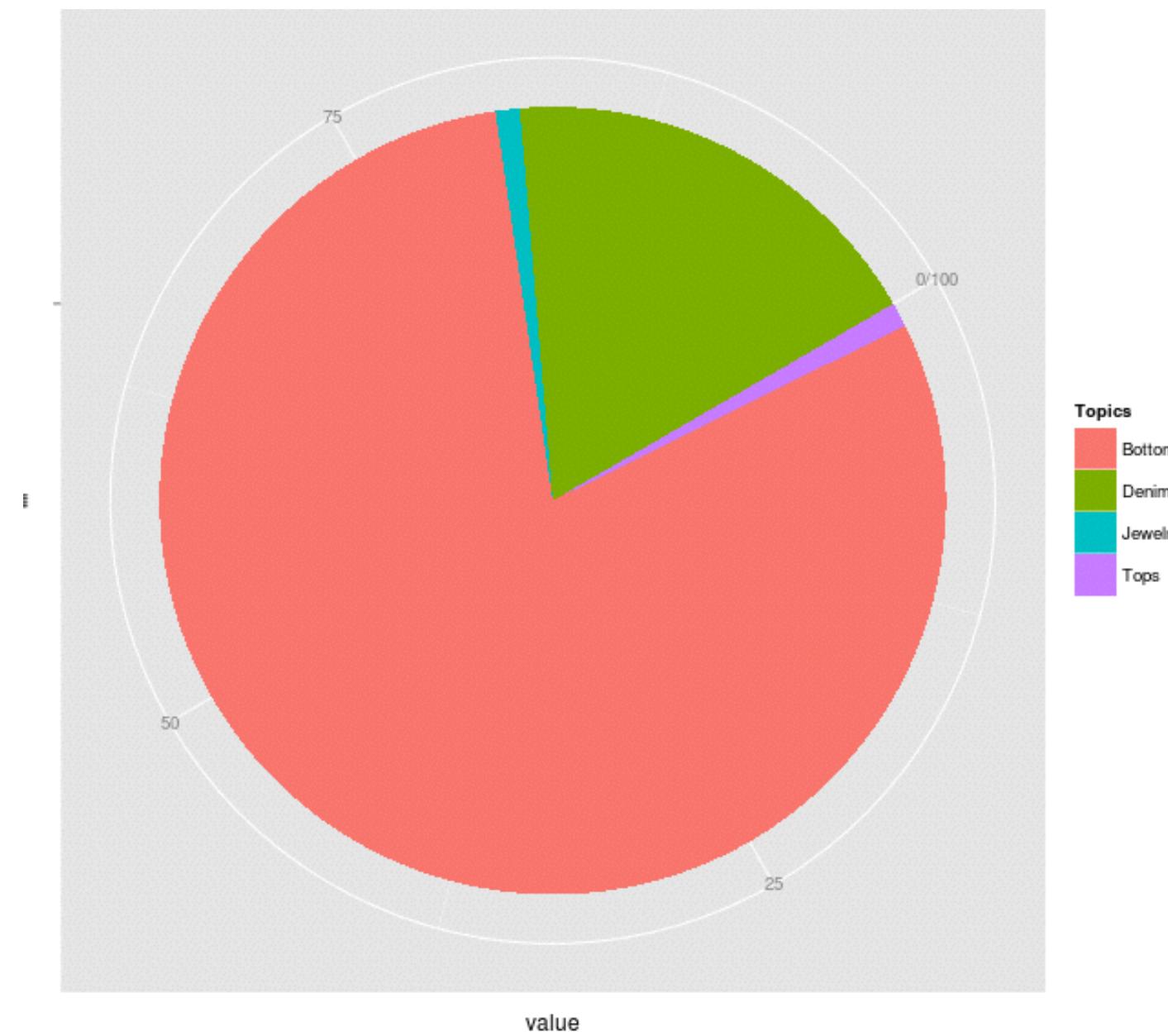
*very similar to the Paragraph Vectors / doc2vec

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We're missing *mixtures & sparsity*.

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$$v_{DOC} = a \ v_{topic1} + b \ v_{topic2} + \dots \quad (\text{up to } k \text{ topics})$$

*Trinitarian
baptismal
Pentecostals
Bede
schismatics
excommunication*

Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture...

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topic 1 = “religion”

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Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture...

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A red curved arrow originates from the text "Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture..." and points directly at the term v_{topic1} in the equation below.

*Milosevic
absentee
Indonesia
Lebanese
Isrealis
Karadzic*

topic 1 = “religion”

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Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture...

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Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture...

$v_{DOC} = 10\% \text{ religion} + 89\% \text{ politics} + \dots$

topic 2 = “politics”

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Let's make v_{DOC} sparse

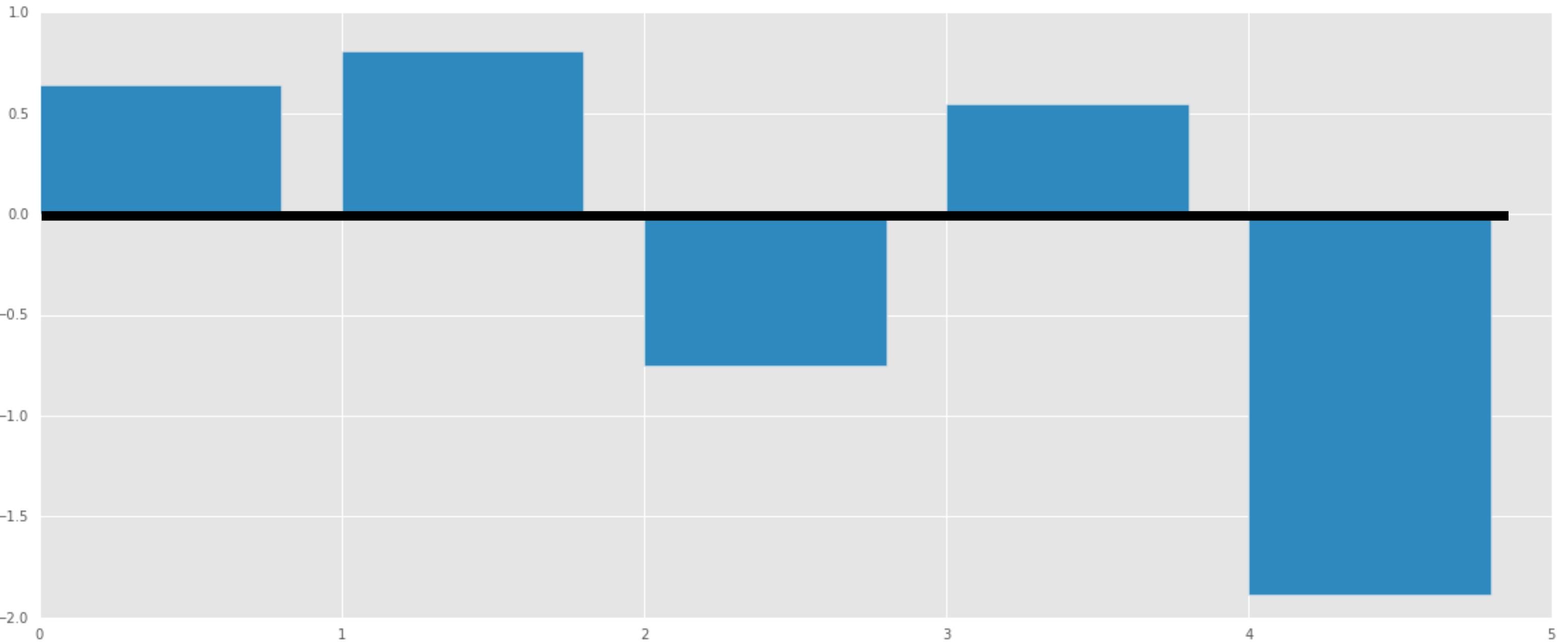
$$v_{DOC} = a v_{religion} + b v_{politics} + \dots$$



$$[-0.75, -1.25, \dots]$$

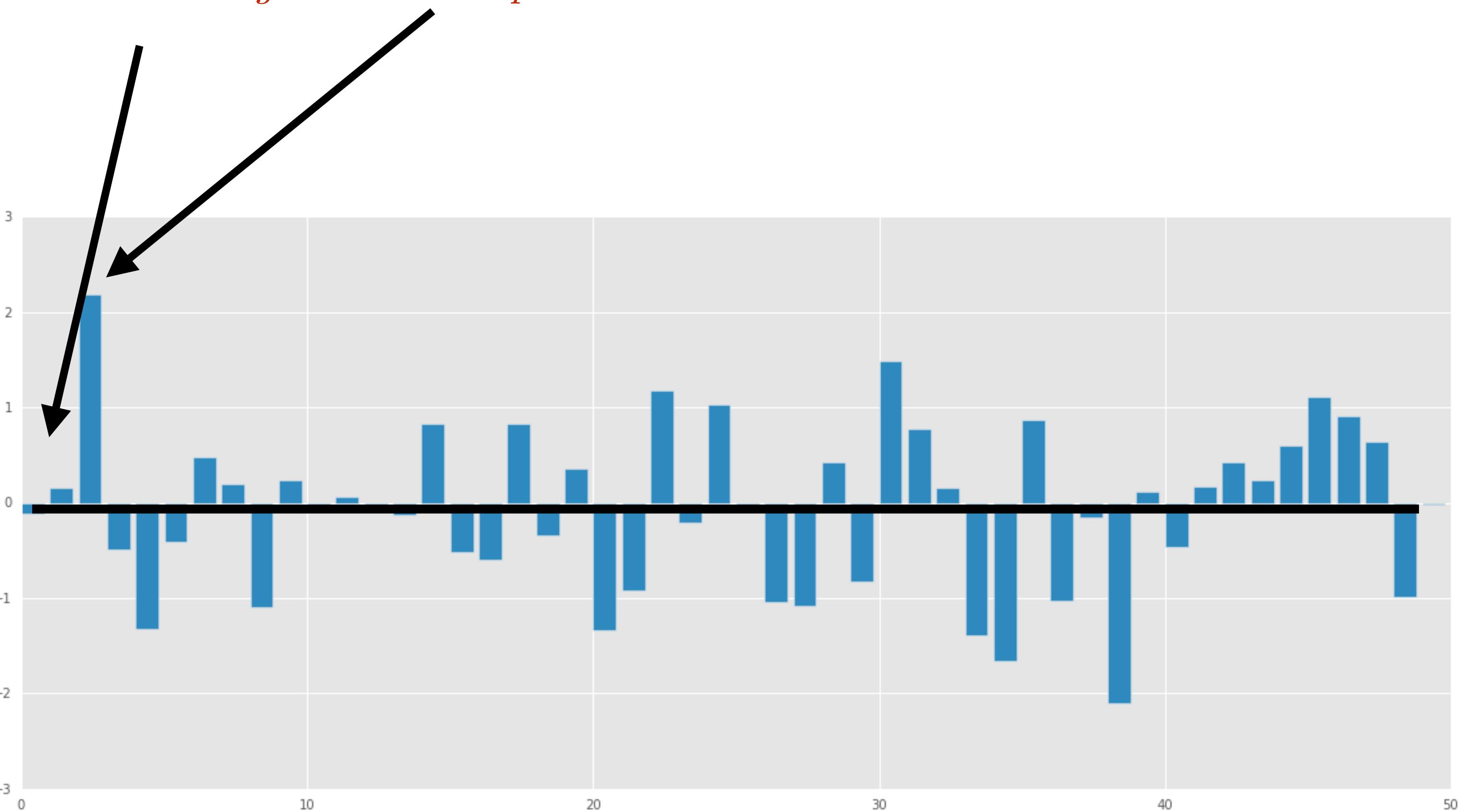
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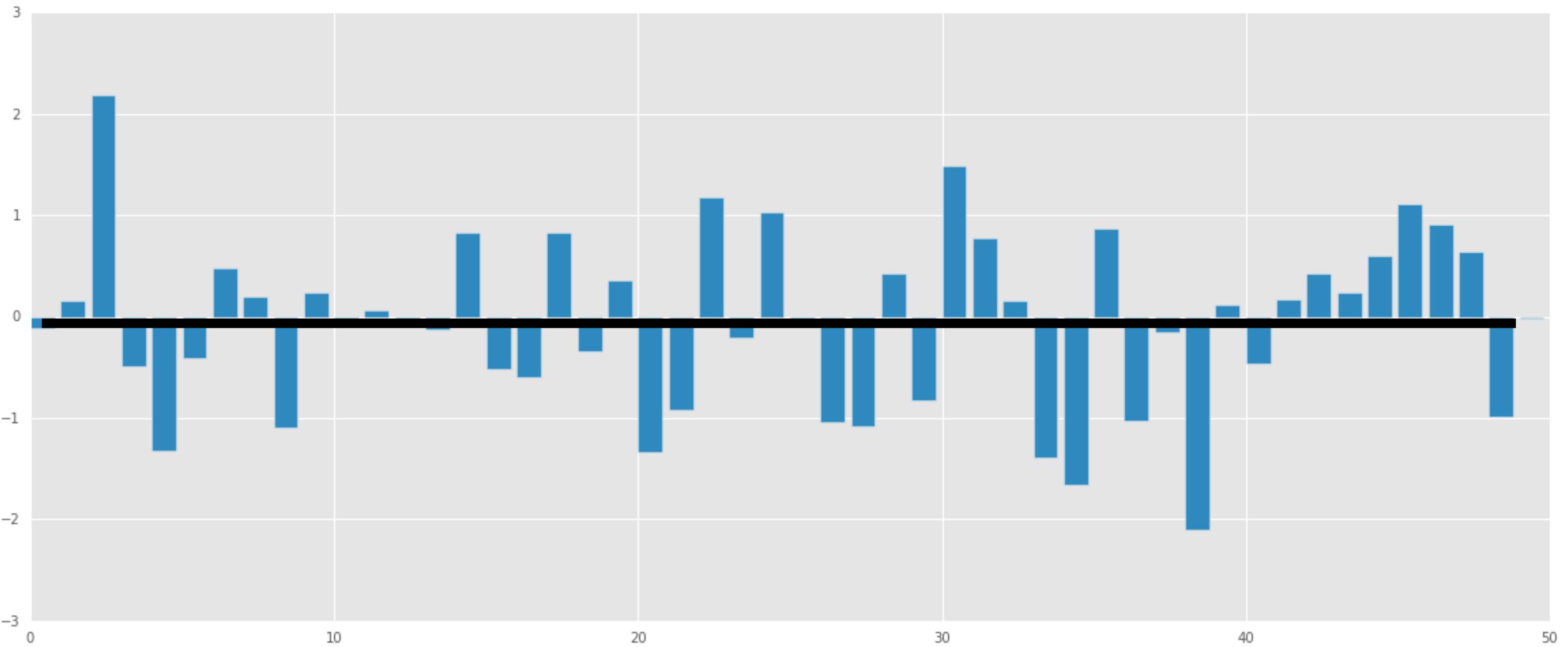
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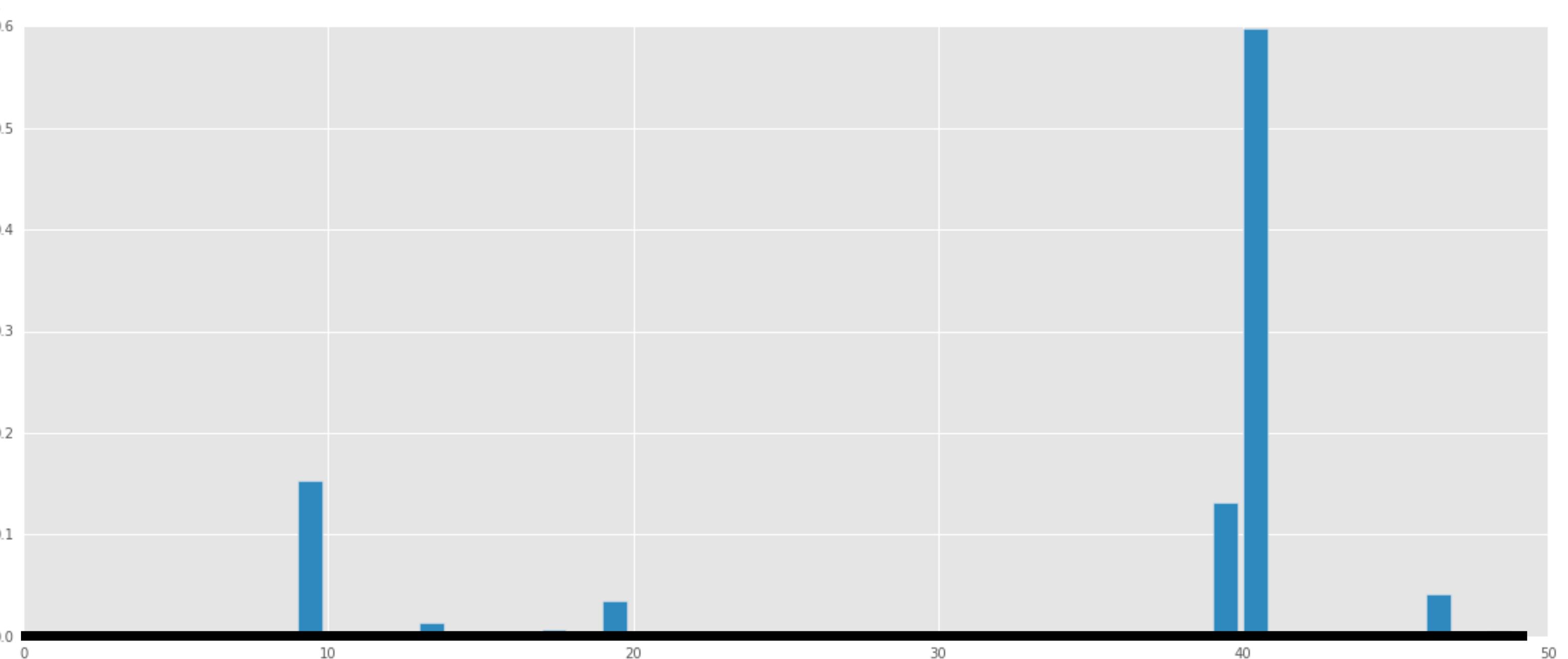
$$\{a, b, c\dots\} \sim dirichlet(alpha)$$



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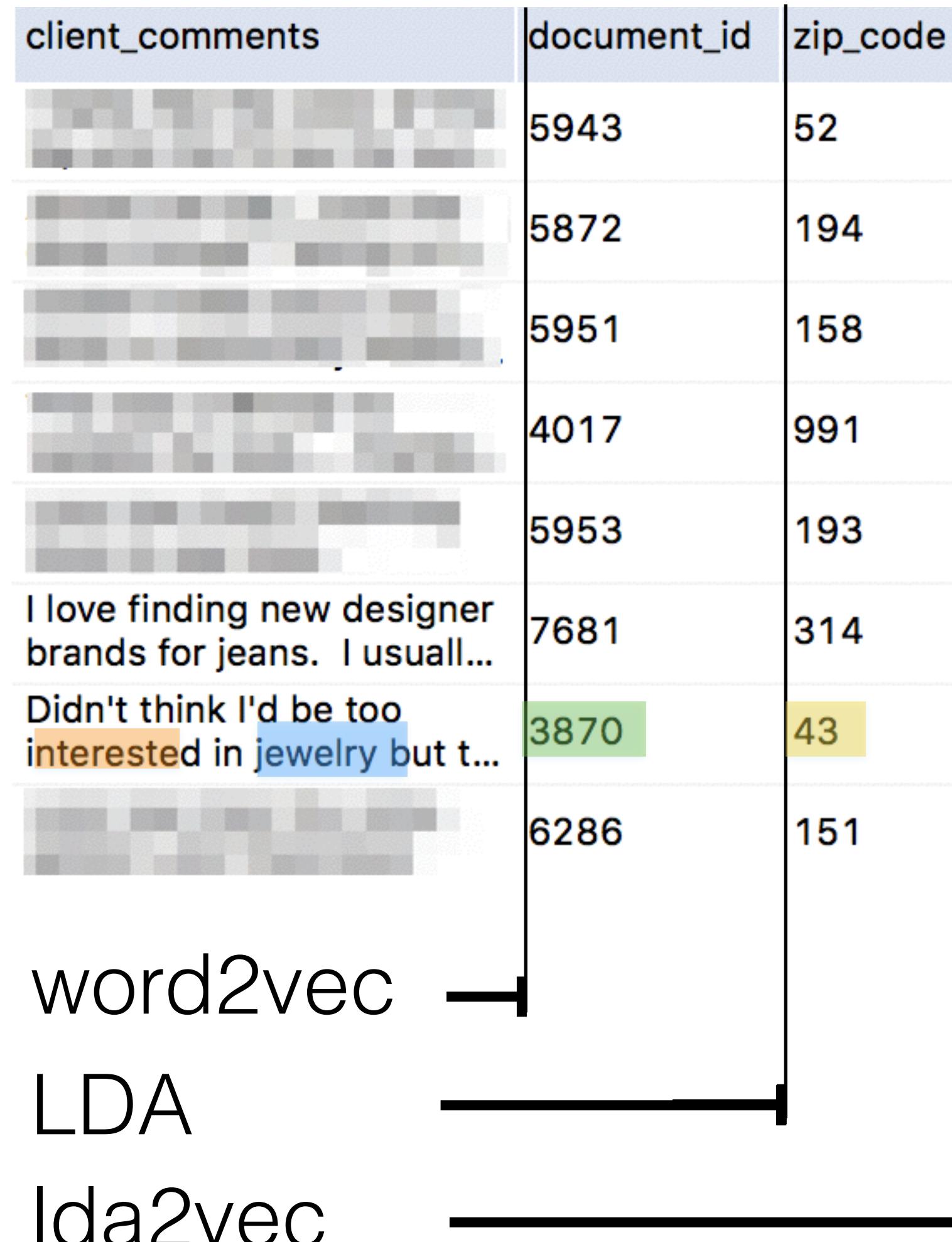
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word2vec	
LDA	
lda2vec	

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC})$$

this document is
80% high fashion

this document is
60% style

The goal:
Use all of this context to learn
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$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC} + v_{ZIP})$$



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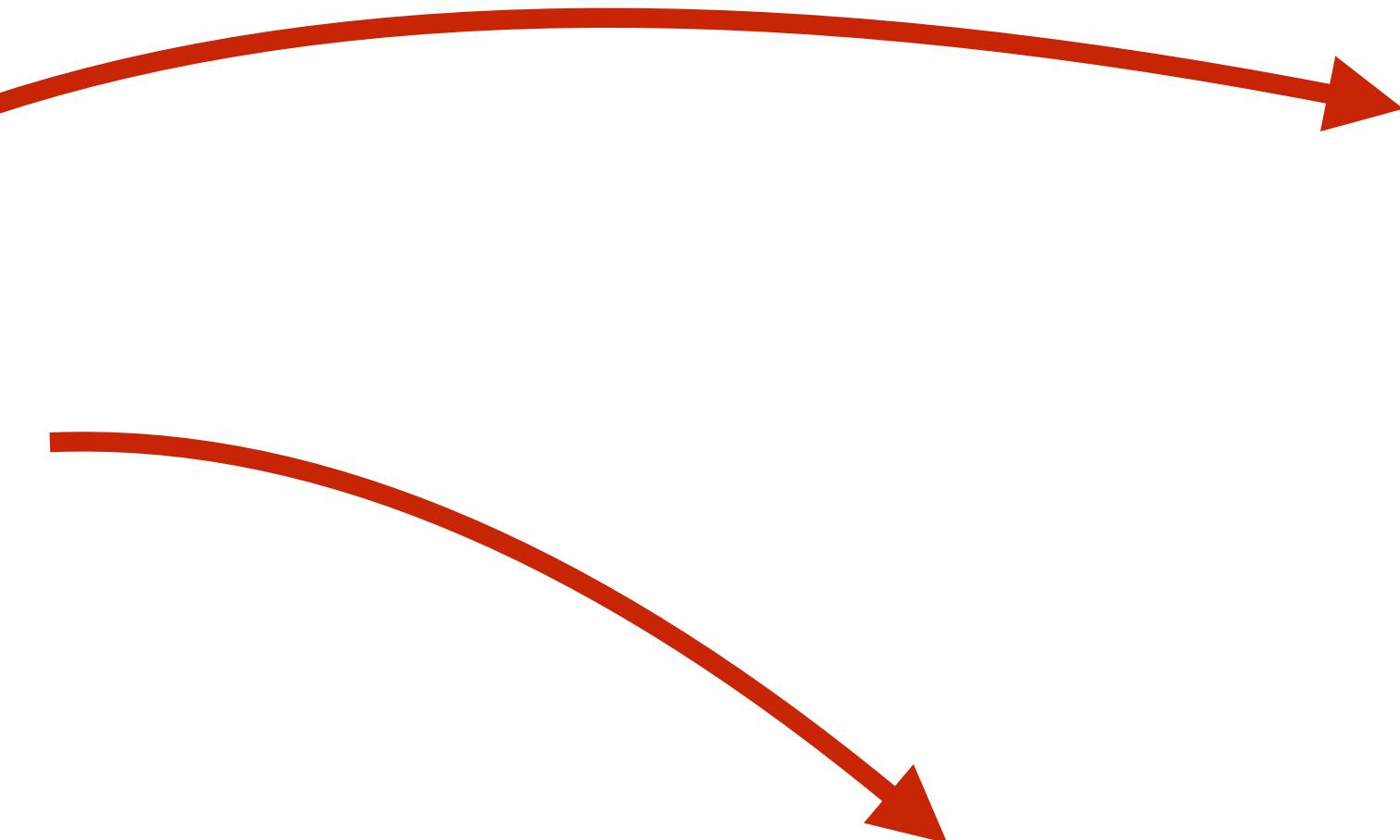
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word2vec

LDA

lda2vec

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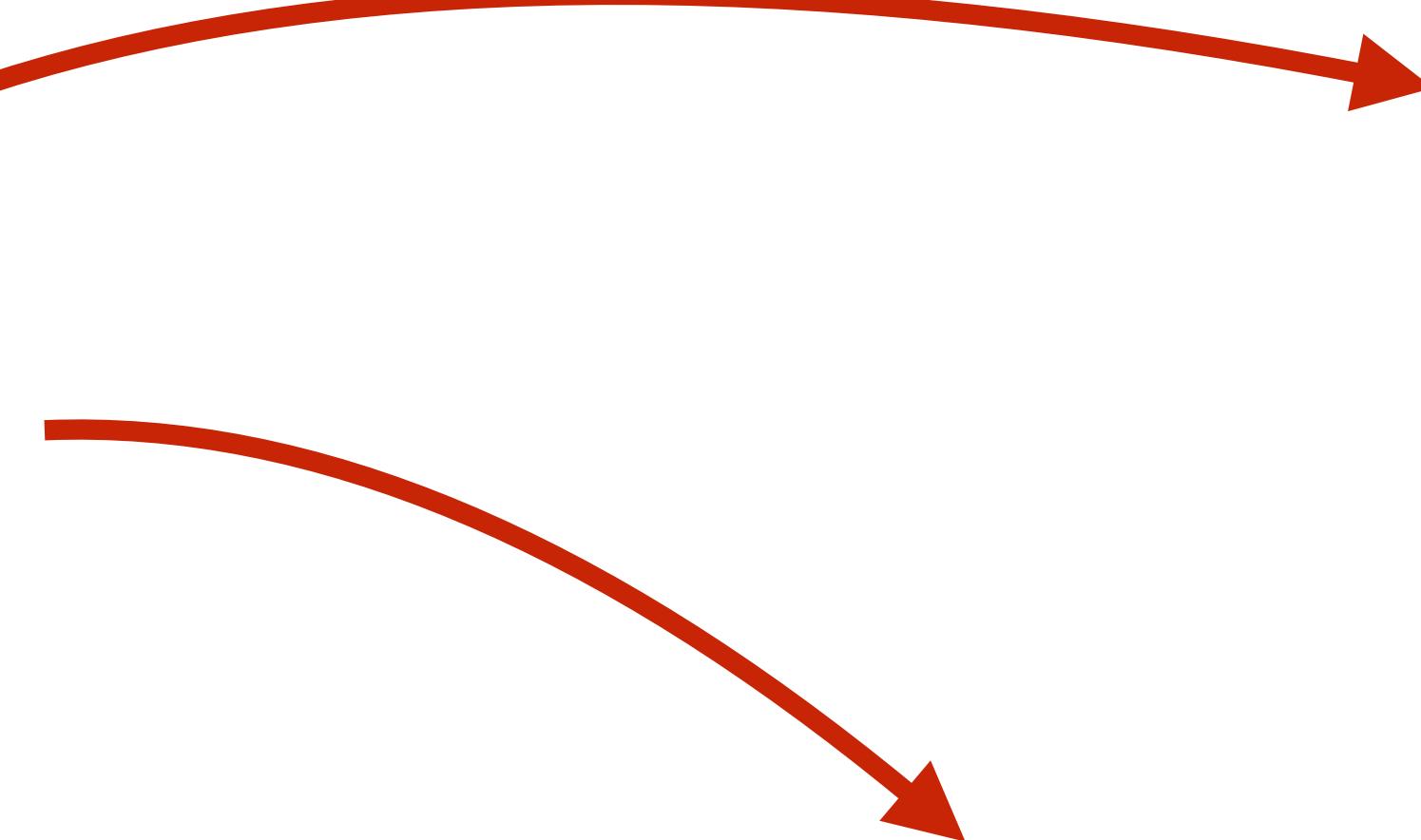
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$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC} + v_{ZIP} + v_{CLIENTS})$$

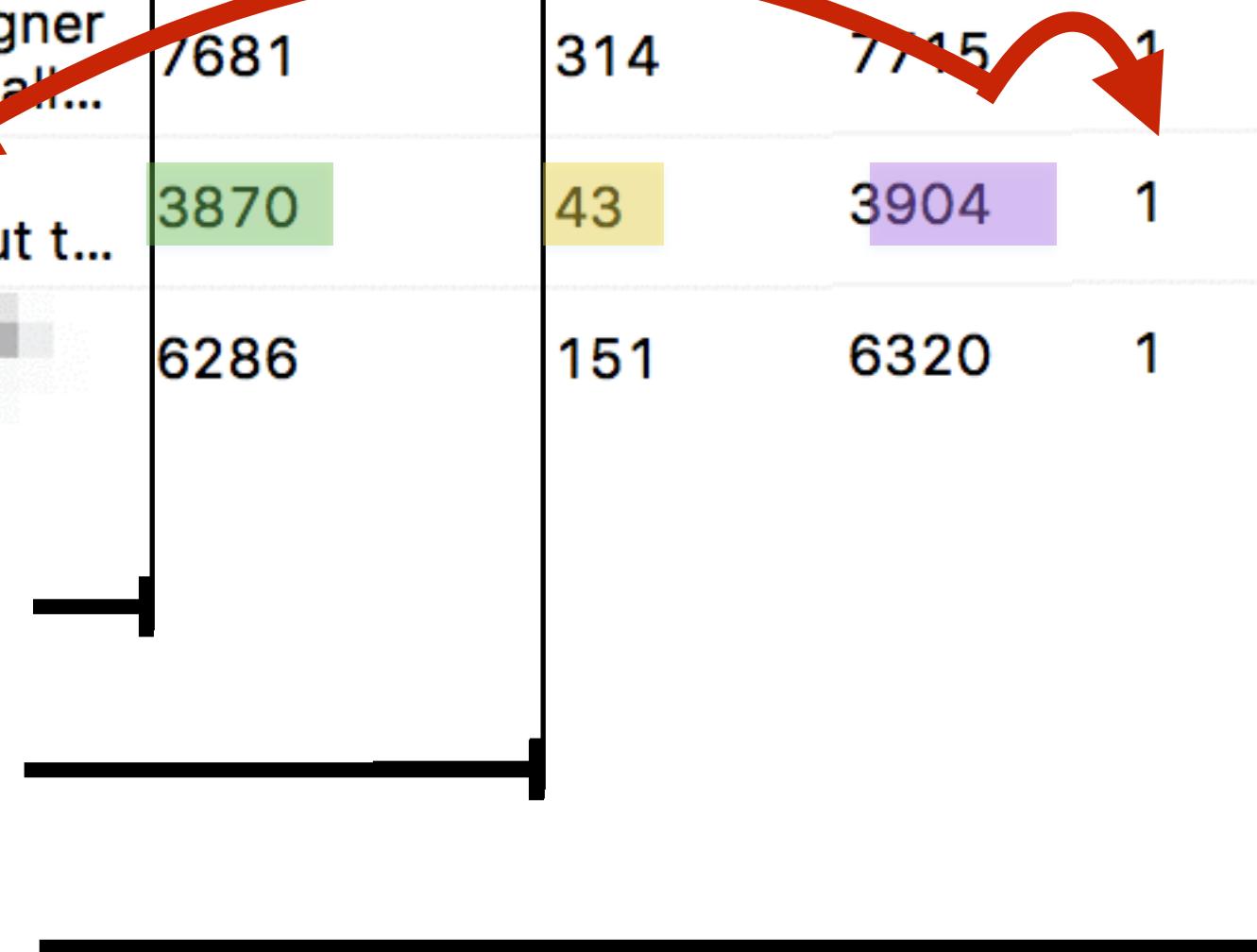
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word2vec

LDA

lda2vec



A red curved arrow starts at the word "I love finding new designer brands for jeans. I usually..." in the comments column, points to the document_id 7681, then follows the flow through zip_code 314, client_id 7715, and finally ends at the sold value 1.

Can also make the topics
supervised so that they predict
an outcome.

$$P(v_{OUT} | v_{IN} + v_{DOC} + v_{ZIP} + v_{CLIENTS})$$

$$P(sold | v_{CLIENTS})$$



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cemoody / lda2vec

README.rst

lda2vec: Tools for interpreting natural language

license MIT docs latest build passing coverage 93%

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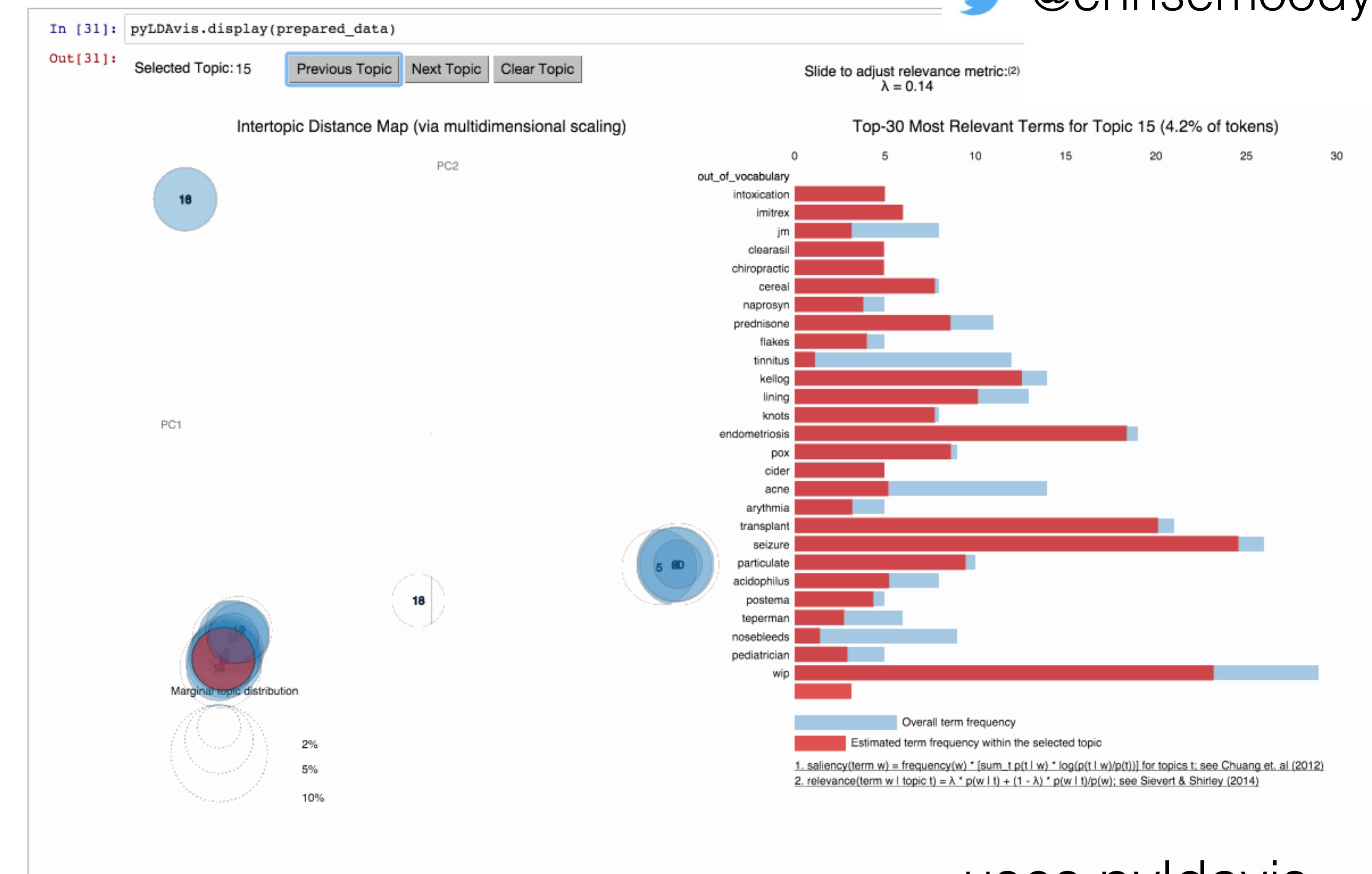
Requirements

Minimum requirements:

- Python 2.7+
- NumPy 1.10+
- Chainer 1.5.1+
- spaCy 0.99+

Requirements for some features:

- CUDA support
- Testing utilities: py.test



API Ref docs (no narrative docs)
GPU
Decent test coverage

github.com/cemoody/lda2vec

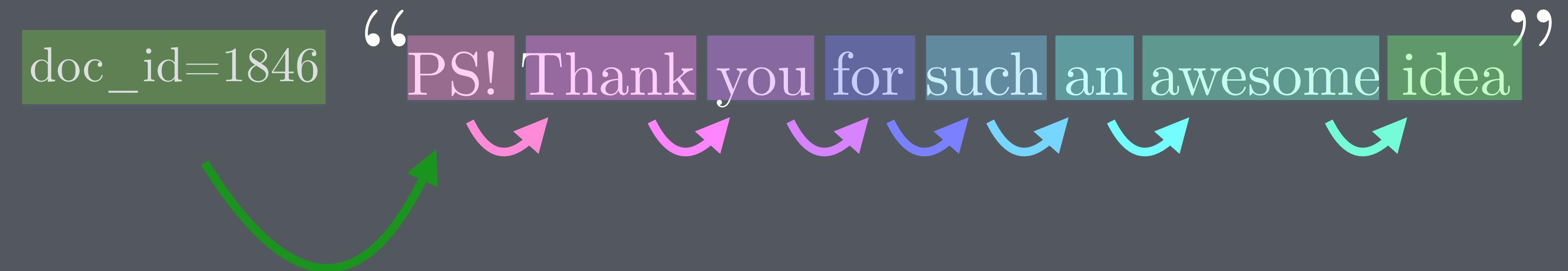
uses pyldavis



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Can we model topics to sentences?

lda2lstm





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doc_id=1846 “PS! Thank you for such an awesome idea”



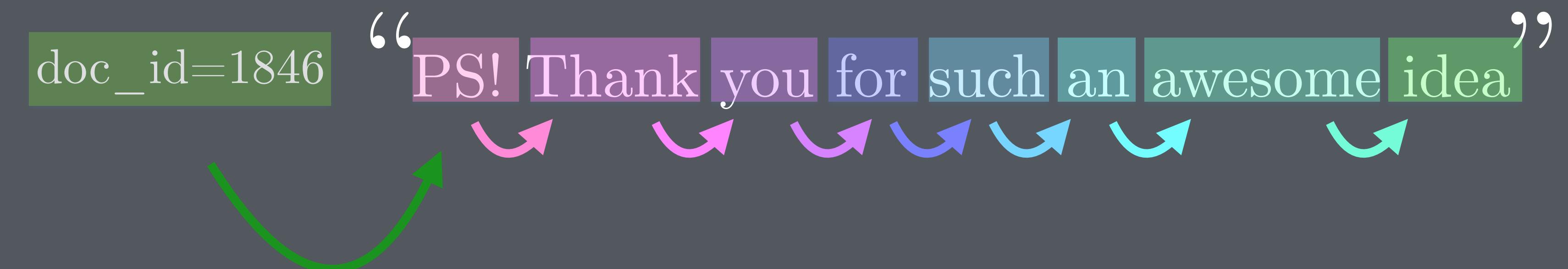
Can we represent the internal LSTM
states as a dirichlet mixture?



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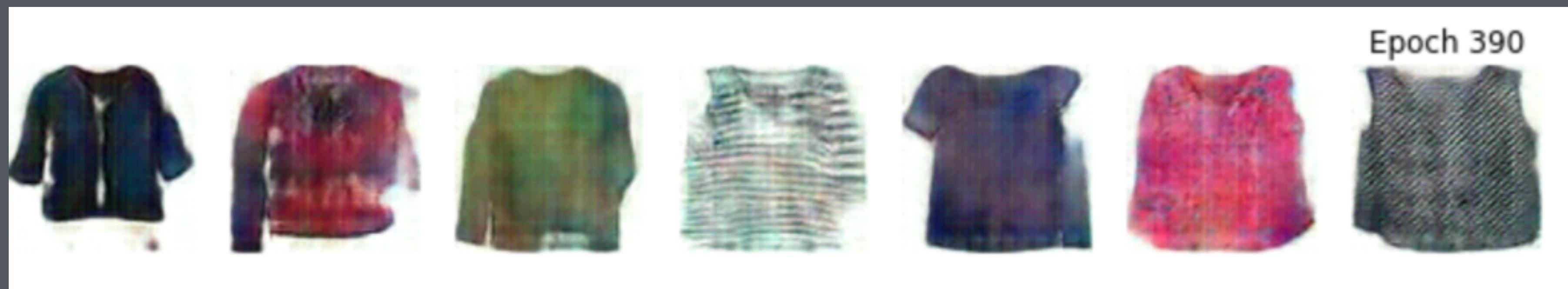
Can we model topics to sentences?

lda2lstm



Can we model topics to images?

lda2ae



TJ Torres

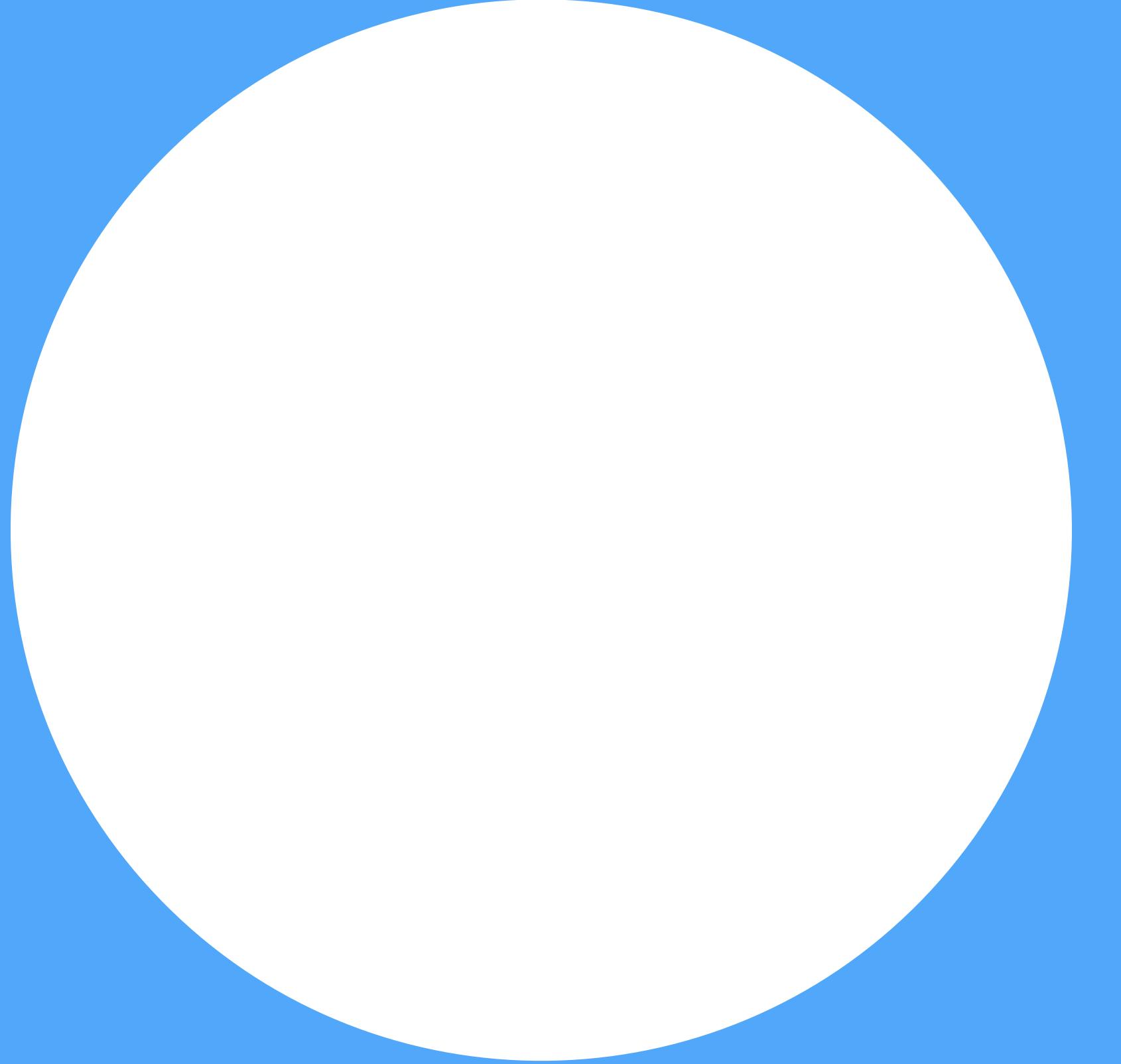


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Multithreaded
Stitch Fix

Bonus slides



Paragraph Vectors

(Just extend the context window)

Content dependency

(Change the window grammatically)

Social word2vec (deepwalk)

(Sentence is a walk on the graph)

Spotify

(Sentence is a playlist of song_ids)

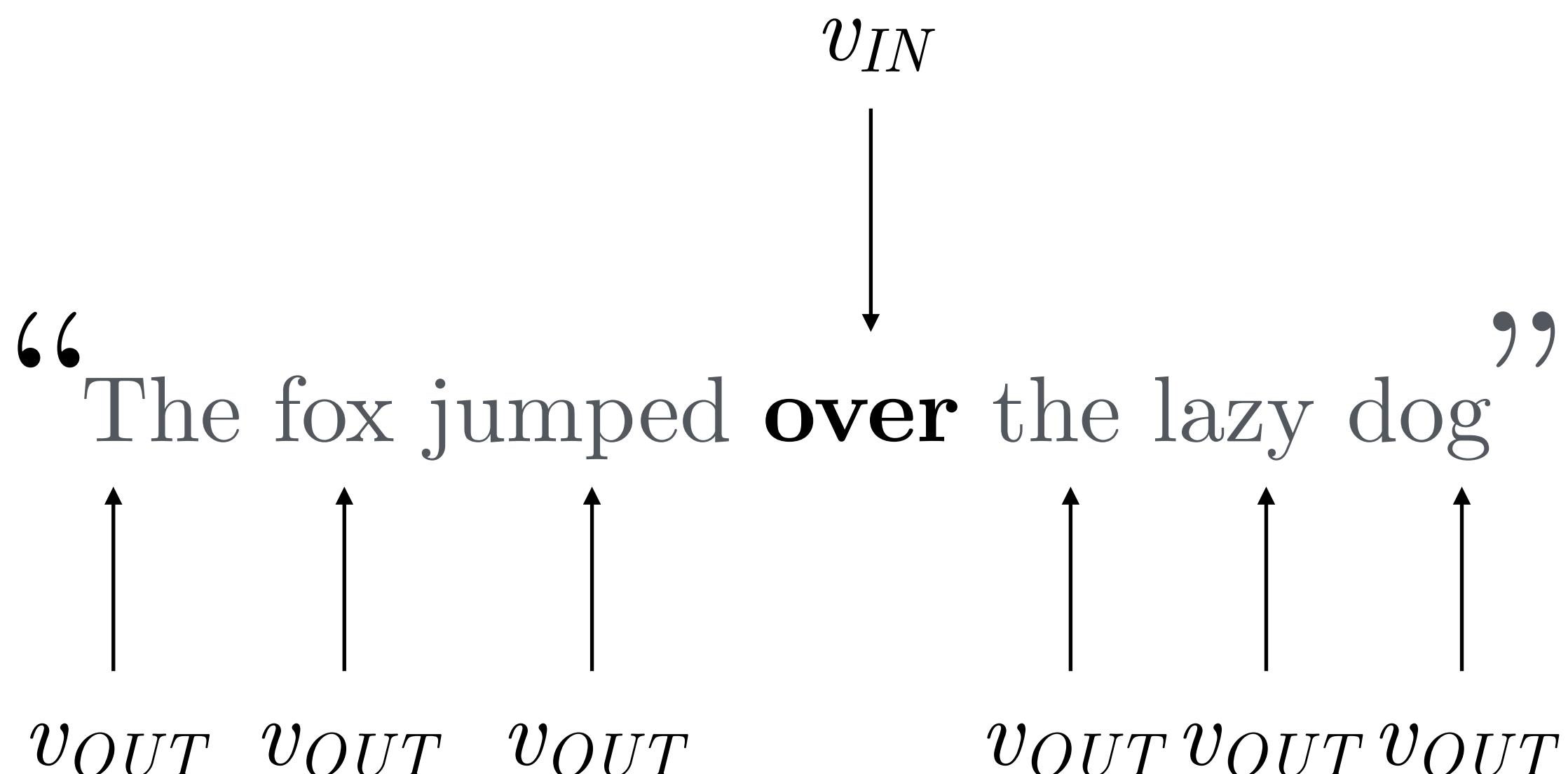
Stitch Fix

(Sentence is a shipment of five items)

Relationship	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
France - Paris	Italy: Rome	Japan: Tokyo	Florida: Tallahassee
big - bigger	small: larger	cold: colder	quick: quicker
Miami - Florida	Baltimore: Maryland	Dallas: Texas	Kona: Hawaii
Einstein - scientist	Messi: midfielder	Mozart: violinist	Picasso: painter
Sarkozy - France	Berlusconi: Italy	Merkel: Germany	Koizumi: Japan
copper - Cu	zinc: Zn	gold: Au	uranium: plutonium
Berlusconi - Silvio	Sarkozy: Nicolas	Putin: Medvedev	Obama: Barack
Microsoft - Windows	Google: Android	IBM: Linux	Apple: iPhone
Microsoft - Ballmer	Google: Yahoo	IBM: McNealy	Apple: Jobs
Japan - sushi	Germany: bratwurst	France: tapas	USA: pizza

SkipGram

Guess the context
given the word

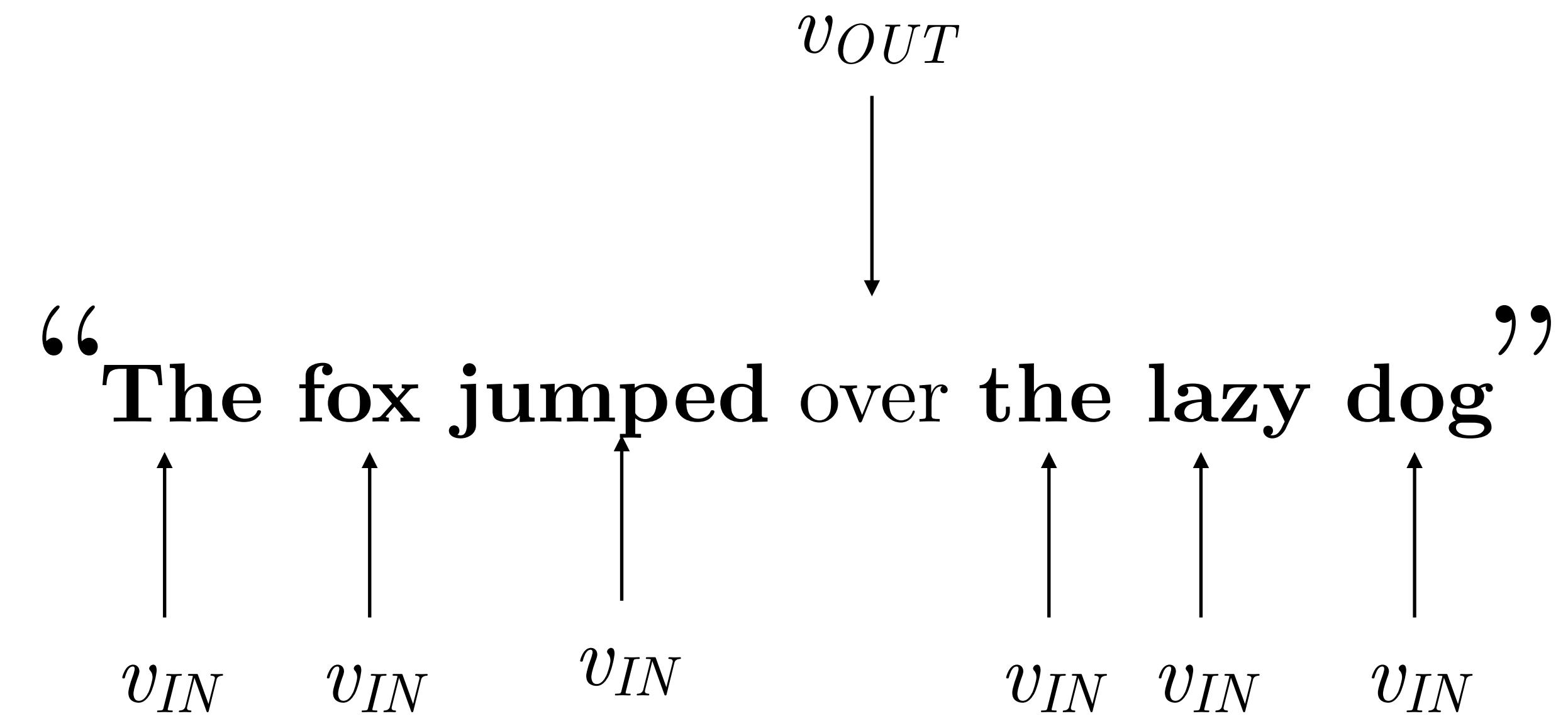


Better at syntax.

(this is the one we went over)

CBOW

Guess the word
given the context



~20x faster.

(this is the alternative.)

LDA Results

Great Stylist

Perfect

I loved every choice in this fix!! Great job!

History

LDA Results

Body Fit

My measurements are 36-28-32. If that helps.
I like wearing some clothing that is fitted.
Very hard for me to find pants that fit right.

LDA Results

Sizing

Excited for next

Really enjoyed the experience and the pieces, sizing for tops was too big. Looking forward to my next box!

History

LDA Results

Almost Bought

Perfect

It was a great fix. Loved the two items I kept and the three I sent back were close!

What I didn't mention

A lot of text (only if you have a specialized vocabulary)

Cleaning the text

Memory & performance

Traditional databases aren't well-suited

False positives

and now for something **completely crazy**

All of the following ideas will change what
'words' and 'context' represent.

What about summarizing documents?

On the day he took office, President Obama reached out to America's enemies, offering in his first inaugural address to **extend** a hand if you are willing to unclench your fist. More than six years later, he has arrived at a moment of truth in testing that

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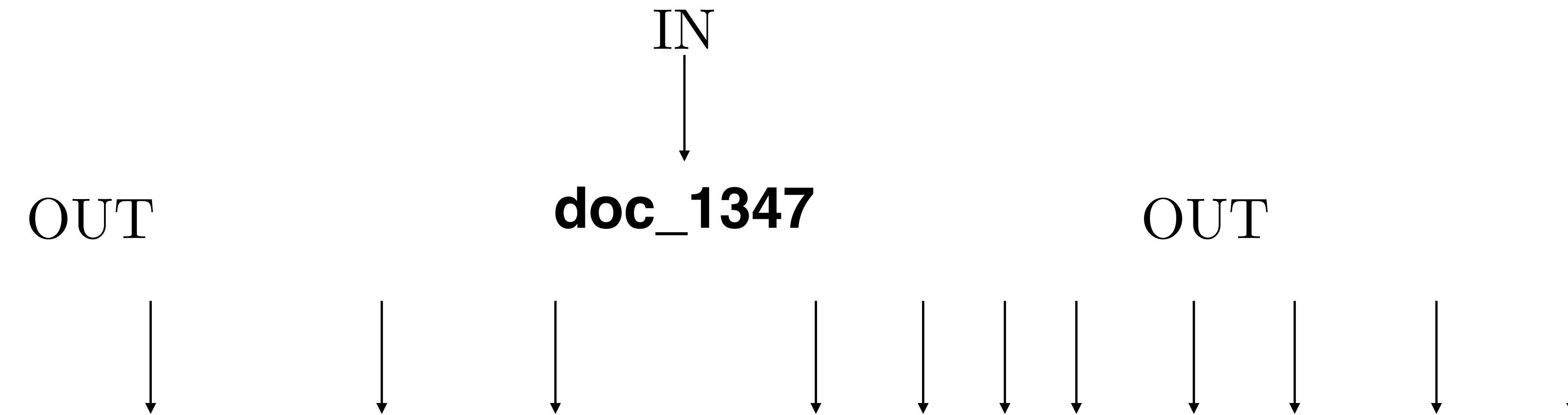
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OUT **OUT**

Normal skipgram extends C words before, and C words after.



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A document vector simply extends the context to the whole document.

```
from gensim.models import Doc2Vec
fn = "item_document_vectors"
model = Doc2Vec.load(fn)
model.most_similar('pregnant')
matches = list(filter(lambda x: 'SENT_' in x[0], matches))

# [...I am currently 23 weeks pregnant...,
# [...I'm now 10 weeks pregnant...,
# [...]not showing too much yet...,
# [...]15 weeks now. Baby bump...,
# [...]6 weeks post partum!...,
# [...]12 weeks postpartum and am nursing...,
# [...]I have my baby shower that...,
# [...]am still breastfeeding...,
# [...]I would love an outfit for a baby shower...]
```

translation

(using just a rotation
matrix)

English

Matrix

Rotation

Spanish



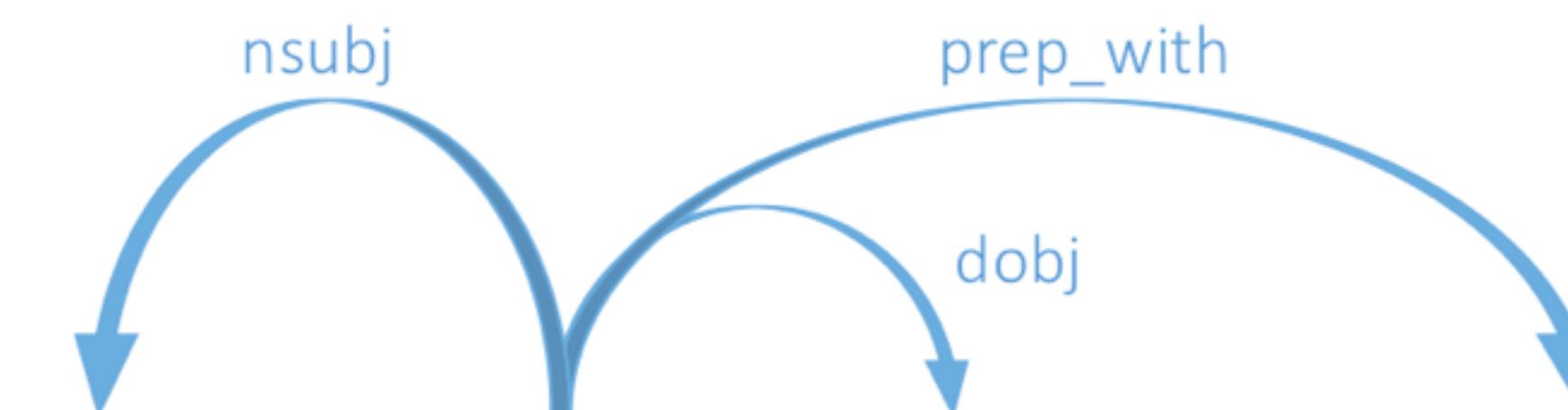
context
dependent

Australian scientist **discovers** star with telescope

context +/- 2 words

context
dependent

Australian scientist discovers star with telescope

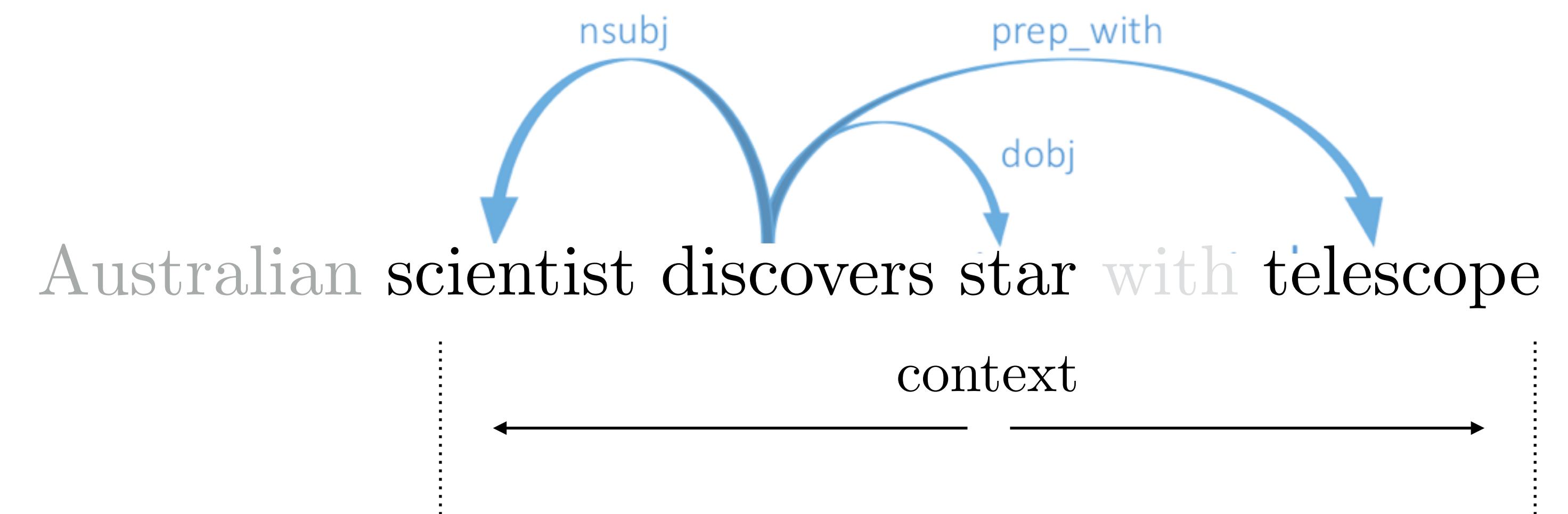


nsubj

dobj

prep_with

**context
dependent**



context dependent

	BoW	DEPS
hogwarts	dumbledore hallows half-blood malfoy snape	sunnydale collinwood calarts greendale millfield

topically-similar

vs

‘functionally’ similar

context
dependent

Also show that SGNS is simply factorizing:

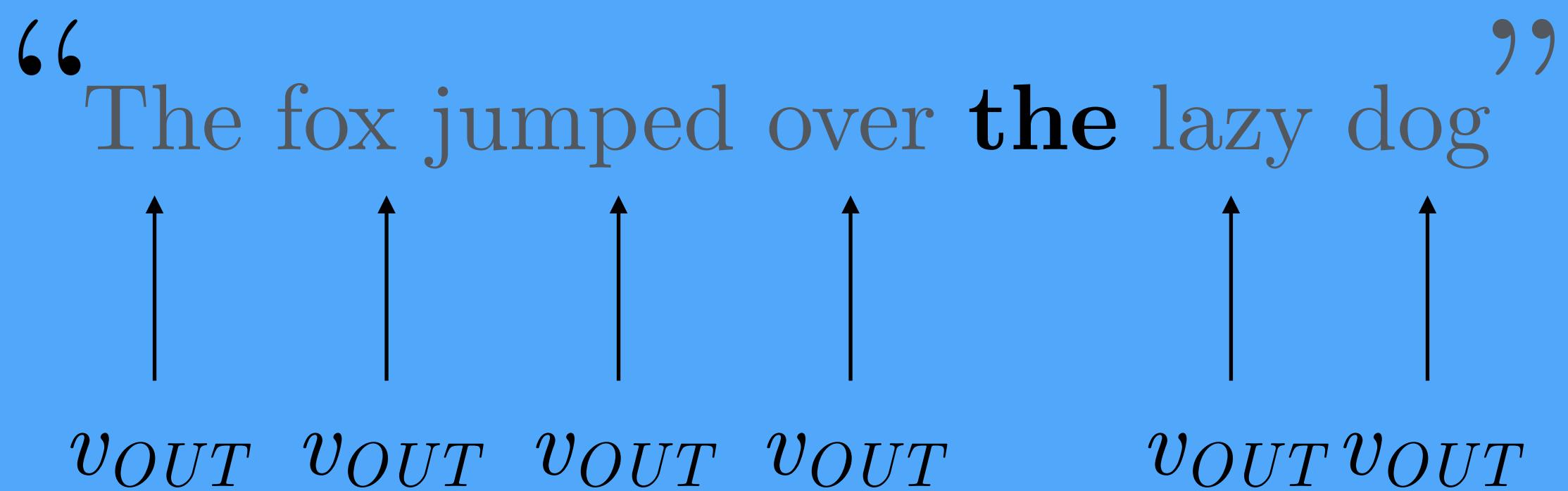
$$w * c = PMI(w, c) - \log k$$

This is **completely** amazing!

Intuition: positive associations (canada, snow)
stronger in humans than negative associations
(what is the opposite of Canada?)

word2vec

learn word vectors from sentences



deepwalk

‘words’ are graph vertices
‘sentences’ are random walks on the graph

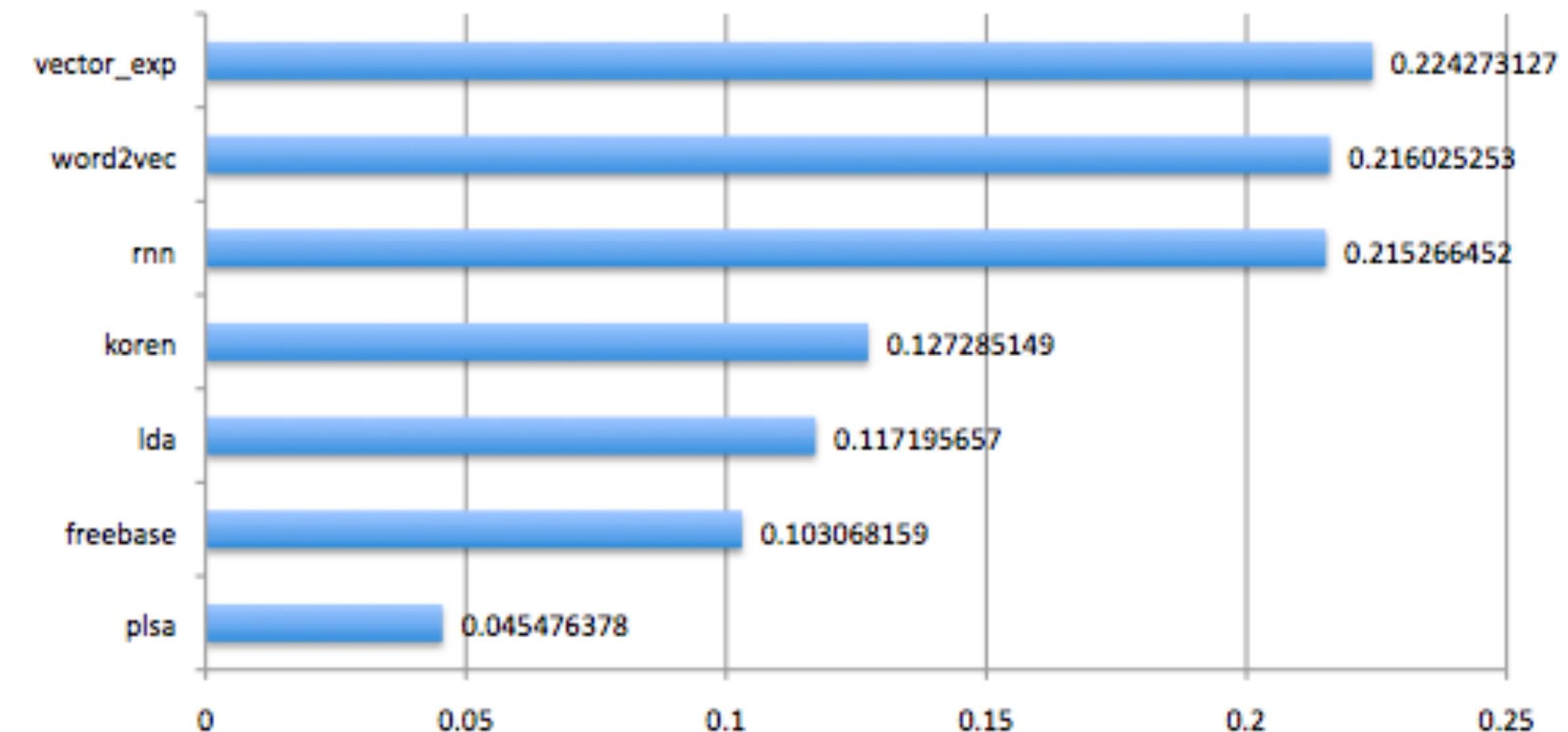
$$v_{46} \rightarrow v_{45} \rightarrow v_{71} \rightarrow v_{24} \rightarrow v_5$$

Playlists at Spotify

‘words’ are songs
‘sentences’ are playlists

Playlists at Spotify

Great performance on ‘related artists’



Fixes at Stitch Fix

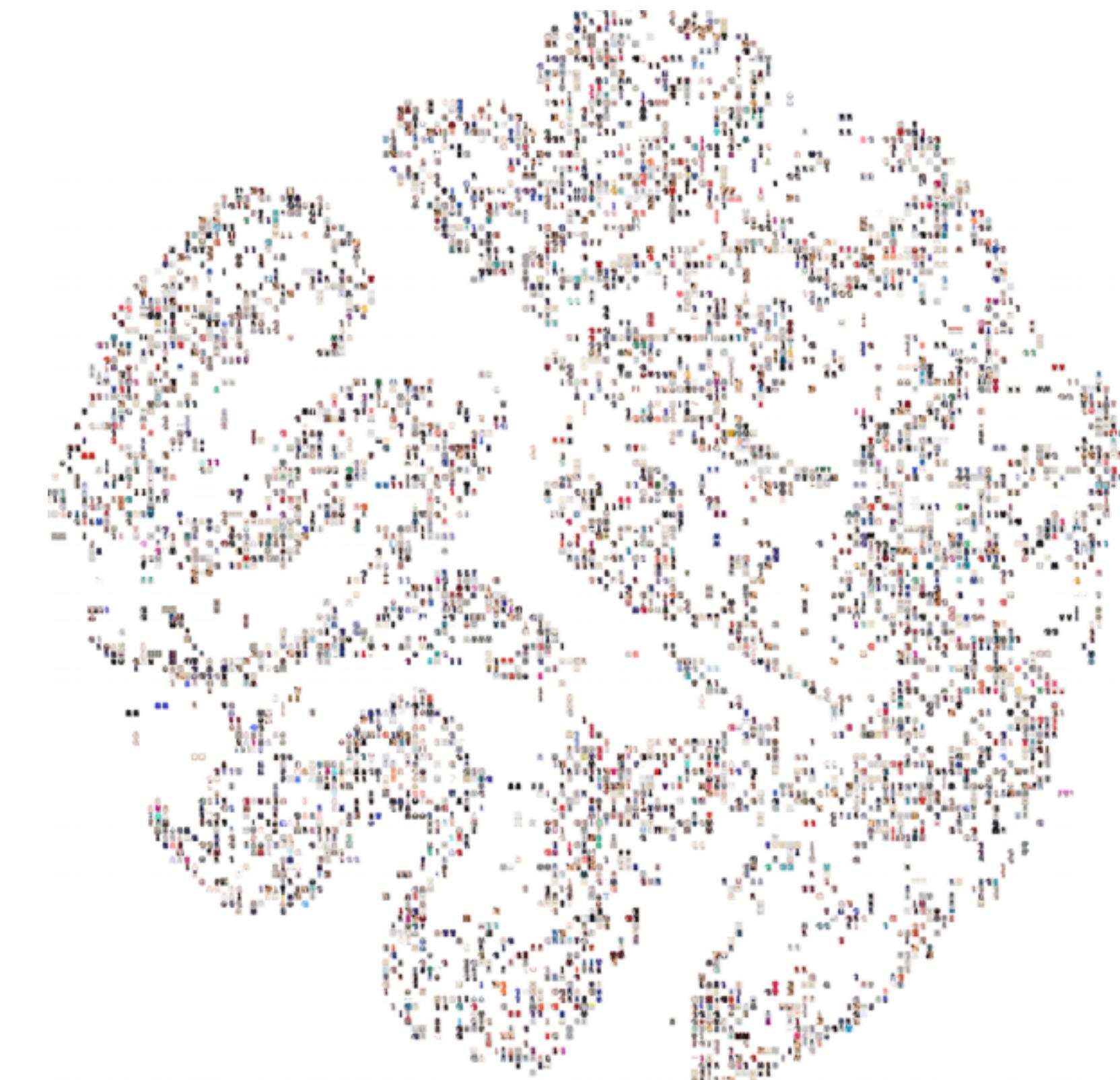
Let's try:
‘words’ are styles
‘sentences’ are fixes

Fixes at Stitch Fix

Learn similarity between styles
because they co-occur

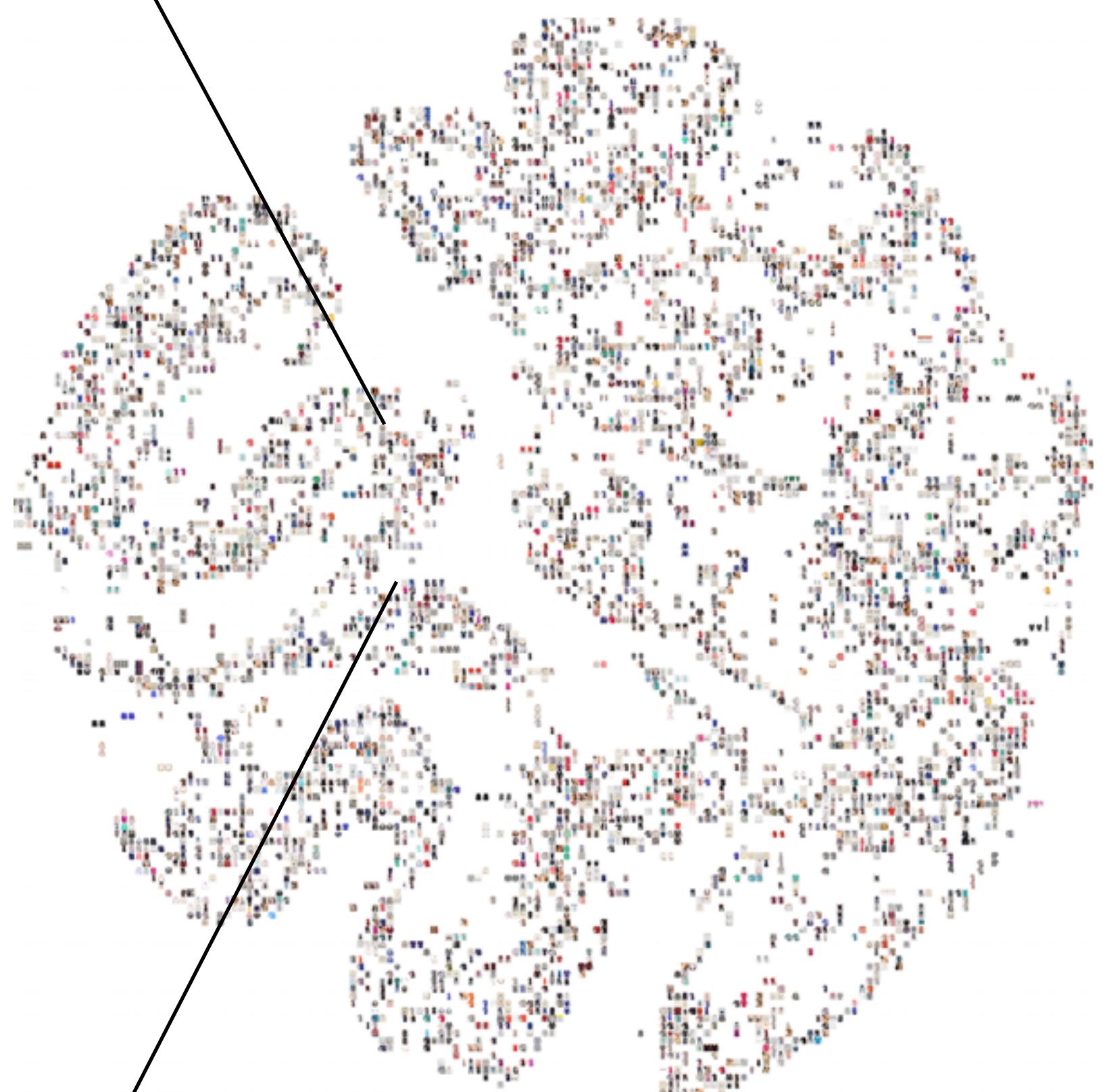
Learn ‘coherent’ styles

Fixes at Stitch Fix?

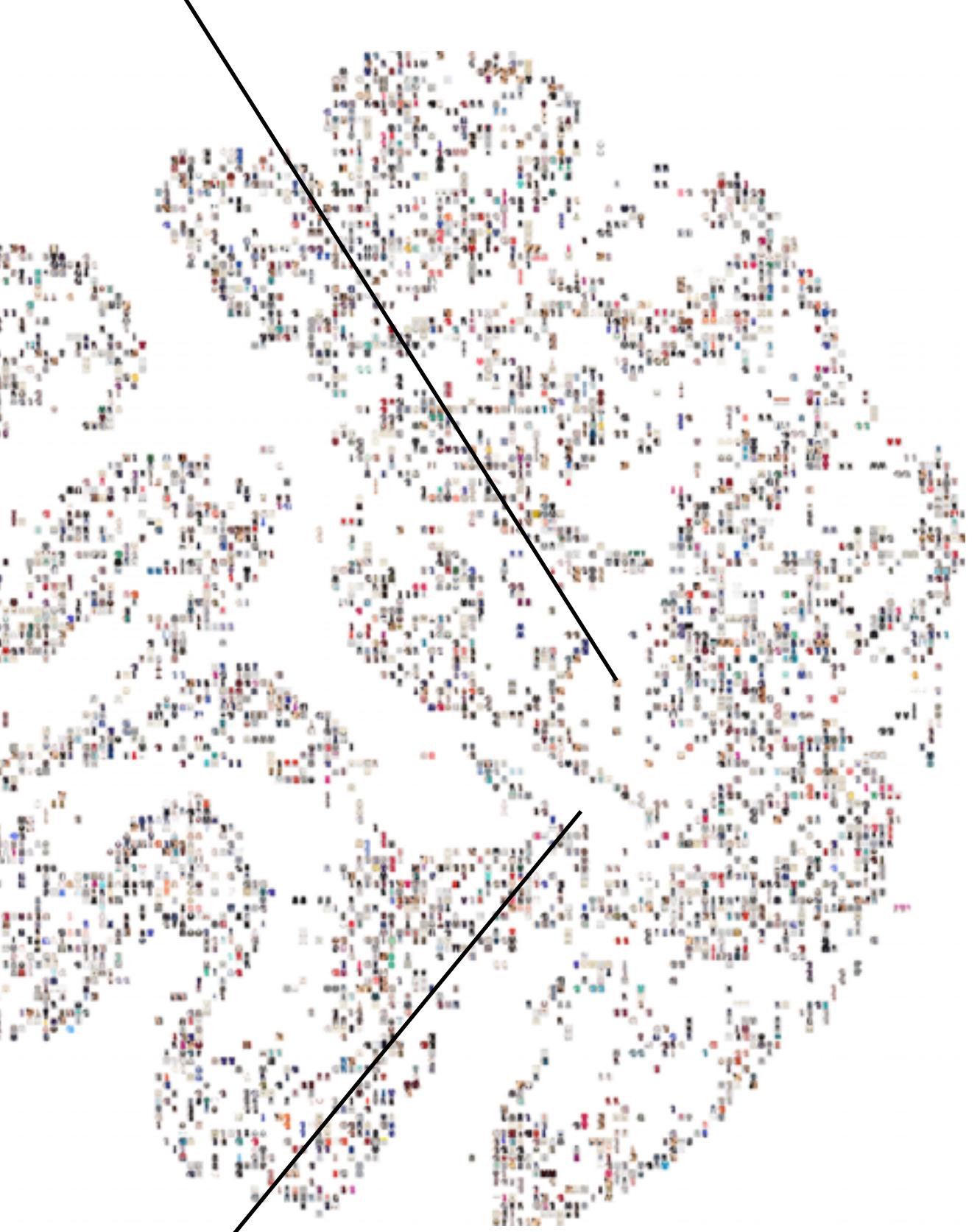
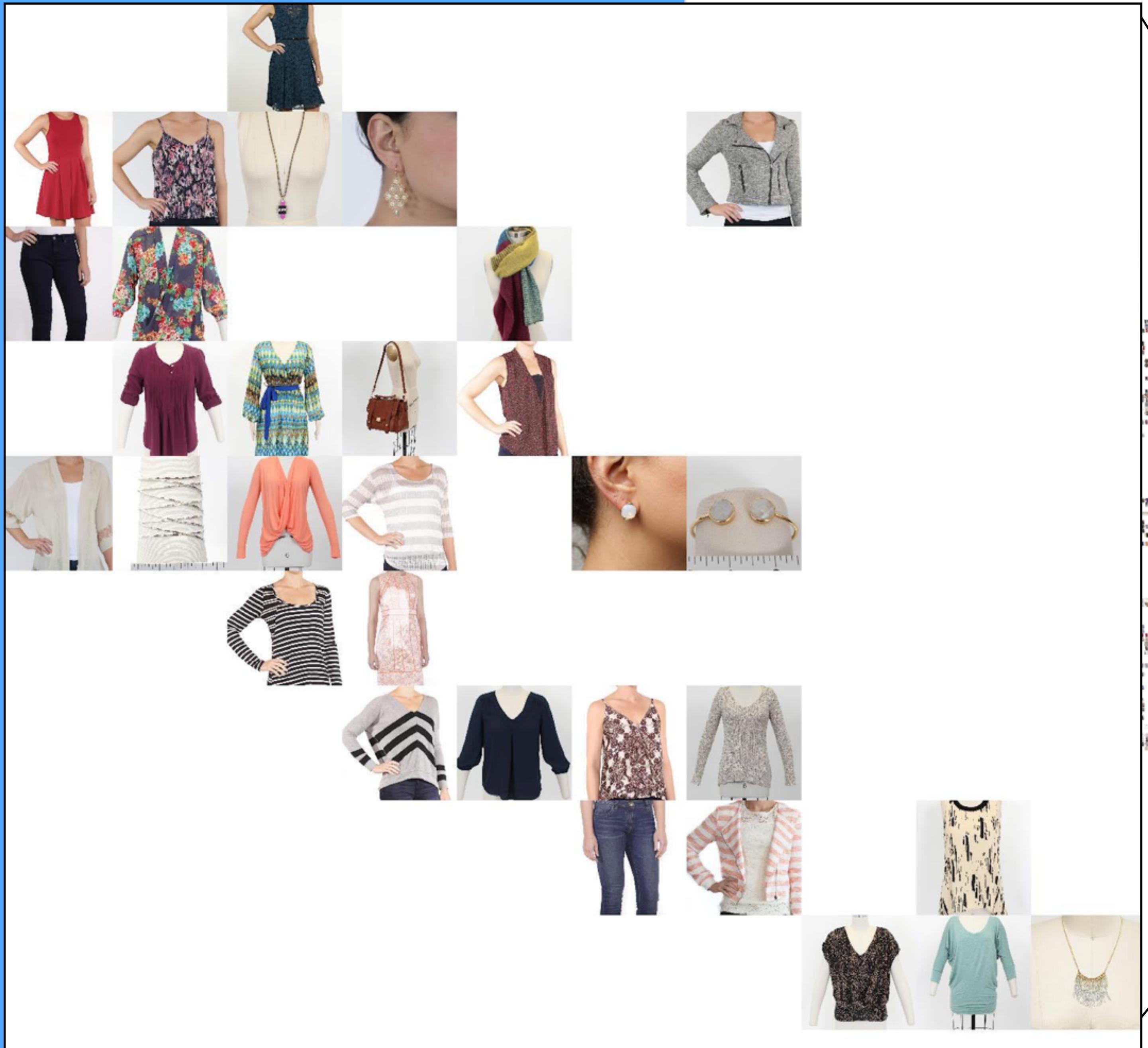


Got lots of structure!

sequence
learning



sequence
learning



Nearby regions are
consistent ‘closets’

sequence
learning

A specific Ida2vec model

Our text blob is a comment that comes from a region_id and a style_id

$$L = \sigma(c * w) + \sigma(-c * w_{neg})$$

$$context = \vec{c_{ij}} = \vec{region_i} + \vec{style_j}$$

$$\vec{region_i} = \Sigma_{k=0}^{n_topics} u_{ik} \cdot \vec{m_k}$$

$$\vec{style_j} = \Sigma_{l=0}^{n_topics} u_{jl} \cdot \vec{n_l}$$

$$\vec{u}\sim dirichlet(\alpha_1)$$

$$\vec{v}\sim dirichlet(\alpha_2)$$

$$take_rate_in_region \sim 5.0 * \sigma(W \cdot \vec{u})$$

The full likelihood model

$$L = \sigma(c * w) + \sigma(-c * w_{neg})$$

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First part of the loss function is given **context** predict **word**.

Don't predict a **negative word**. These are words that are in our vocabulary somewhere, but not in our example.

We get negative samples **not** uniformly, but proportional to the word frequency^{3/4} (yes, the ^{3/4} power is weird and ad hoc but totally works awesomely for word2vec)

$$L = \sigma(c * w) + \sigma(-c * w_{neg})$$

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Context is made up from more than one part -- many ‘contexts’ available.

In this case, instead of one document, we can have many regions, or styles.

In LDA, this context is a single term: the latent document vector that ‘generates’ words.

In word2vec, this context is the ‘pivot’ word. Word2vec picks a random ‘context’ word in the corpus, centers a window around it, and tries to predict other words within that context.

In both word2vec and LDA context is one term, either a document or a word. For Ida2vec, we can have more than one term, we can have as many contexts as we like!

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Each context (e.g., **region** or **style**) is decomposed into **topics vectors** and **weights** on those common **topics vectors**. One context has one shared set of topic vectors (think of these as cluster centroids) and every ‘document’ in that context (think of 1 of 50 states, 1 of 20k styles) has a weight/membership onto each of those topic vectors (think topics like northeast, midwest for region or tops, bottoms, boho, romantic for style topics)

This forces the context vectors onto a **limited set of basis vectors**. Interpret this set, and you can generalize what each region vector and style vector means. For example, one **topics vector** might be close to the **word vector** for ‘hand_bag’, ‘purse’, ‘bag’ indicating that that topic is a handbags topic. And then anything with big **weight** in that topic might be a handbag.

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$$\vec{u} \sim dirichlet(\alpha_1)$$

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But the weights can still end up being very dense -- which meant everyone of my documents was a mixture of almost every component. This made it difficult to interpret what the document was, because it had membership in many groups.

So next we enforce a simplex with dirichlet & enforce sparsity with the concentration on the **weights**. The dirichlet is also nice but not critical, we could've had a non-negative decomposition or just stuck with all reals. But since Dirichlet components sum to 100%, it is easier to explain to analysts that a document is “10% of some_topic + 90% some_other_topic” rather than saying “-2.3 * some_topic and +0.5 of some_other_topic”.

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$$context = \vec{c}_{ij} = \vec{region}_i + \vec{style}_j$$

$$\vec{region}_i = \sum_{k=0}^{n_topics} u_{ik} \cdot \vec{m}_k$$

$$\vec{style}_j = \sum_{l=0}^{n_topics} u_{jl} \cdot \vec{n}_l$$

$$\vec{u} \sim dirichlet(\alpha_1)$$

$$\vec{v} \sim dirichlet(\alpha_2)$$

$$take_rate_in_region \sim 5.0 * \sigma(W \cdot \vec{u})$$

Finally, we can make this ‘supervised’ by saying that the topic weights correlate through (matrix W) with some target outcome.

topic 1 = “religion”

*Trinitarian
baptismal
Pentecostals
bede
schismatics
excommunication*

Let's make v_{DOC} into a mixture...

$v_{DOC} = 10\% \text{ religion} + 89\% \text{ politics} + \dots$

topic 2 = “politics”

*Milosevic
absentee
Indonesia
Lebanese
Isrealis
Karadzic*