# Recommendation Engine Documentation

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## Module: core.py

## core.tokenizeRDD(inputRDD, sc, sw\_set=None)

Tokenizes an RDD of a list of ('\_id',string) pairs

#### **Arguments:**

inputRDD : RDD

RDD of a list of ('\_id',string) pairs to be tokenized

sc: Spark Context

Spark Context Environment

sw\_set : set (optional)

A set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

#### Returns:

An RDD of a list of tokenized ('\_id',[tokens]) pairs

## core.idfsRDD(corpusRDD, sc)

Computes the inverse-document-frequency of a set of tokenized pairs

#### **Arguments:**

corpusRDD : RDD

RDD of tokenized pairs to be run through inverse-document-frequency

sc: Spark Context

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

idfsInputWeightsBroadcast: RDD. broadcast

broadcast of an RDD of inverse-document-frequency weights

```
core.tfidfRDD(tokenizedRDD, idfsInputWeightsBroadcast, sc)
    Computes the term-frequency inverse-document-frequency of a tokenized RDD
     Arguments:
        tokenizedRDD: RDD
            RDD of tokenized pairs to be run through tf-idf (from core.tokenizeRDD())
        idfsInputWeightsBroadcast: RDD
            broadcasted idfs RDD (from core.idfsRDD()
        sc: Spark Context
            Spark Context Environment
    Returns:
        tfidfWeightsRDD: RDD
            RDD of term-frequency inverse-document-frequency weights
        tfidfWeightsBroadcast: RDD. broadcast
            broadcast of tfidfWeightsRDD
core.normalizeRDD(weightsRDD, sc)
```

Normalize the weights of the terms computed from TF-IDF

```
Arguments:
   weightsRDD: RDD
       RDD of computed TF-IDF weights (from core.tfidfRDD())
   sc: Spark Context
       Spark Context Environment
Returns:
   normsBroadcast: RDD.broadcast
```

broadcast of an RDD of the normalized TF-IDF weights

core.invertRDD(weightsRDD, sc)

Inverts the ('\_id', weights) pairs to (weights, '\_id') pairs

```
Arguments:
    weightsRDD: RDD
        RDD of computed TF-IDF weights (from core.tfidfRDD())
    sc: Spark Context
        Spark Context Environment
Returns:
    a cached RDD of inverted pairs of the form: (weights, '_id')
```

```
core.commonTokensRDD(invertedPair1RDD, invertedPair2RDD, sc)
Collects a list of common tokens between two inverted pair RDDs

Arguments:
invertedPair1RDD: RDD
the first RDD of inverted pairs (from core.invertRDD())
invertedPair2RDD: RDD
the second RDD of inverted pairs (from core.invertRDD())
```

sc: Spark Context

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

a cached list of shared tokens

core.cosineSimilarityRDD (commonTokens, weightsBroadcast1, weightsBroadcast2,

normsBroadcast1, normsBroadcast2, sc)

Computes the cosine similarity between two TF-IDF computed RDDs

#### **Arguments:**

commonTokens: RDD

a list of common tokens found between two tokenized documents

weightsBroadcast1: RDD.broadcast

first broadcast of computed TF-IDF weights (from **core.tfidfRDD()**)

weightsBroadcast2: RDD.broadcast

second broadcast of computed TF-IDF weights (from core.tfidfRDD())

normsBroadcast1: RDD.broadcast

first broadcast of an RDD of normalized TF-IDF weights (from core.normalizeRDD())

normsBroadcast2: RDD.broadcast

second broadcast of an RDD of normalized TF-IDF weights (from **core.normalizeRDD()**)

sc: Spark Context

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

a cached list of document similarities: ((doc\_id1,doc\_id2),cosine\_similarity)

## Module: jsonTools.py

## ${f jsonTools.getGroup}(json\_doc)$

Determines which group a JSON document belongs to

#### **Arguments:**

 $\mathbf{json\_doc}:\ dict$ 

a JSON document

#### Returns:

group : string

the name of the group the document belongs to

## $_{ m json Tools.}$ return Fields\_incidents ( $incidents\_collection$ )

Return the value of the 'summary', 'details', 'workNotes.summary', and 'workNotes.details' fields for all documents in the collection

#### **Arguments:**

 $incidents\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a handle to the MongoDB incidents collection

#### Returns:

a list containing dictionaries of the values of the fields queried

## $_{ m json Tools. rec Fetcher(obj)}$

Recursive function which can print the values, only if they are neither a list nor a dictionary

#### **Arguments:**

obj: object

any object, a list of values taken from a MongoDB query in this case

#### Returns:

**obj**: object

an object that is neither a list nor a dictionary

## $jsonTools.parseMongoRecord(mdb\_record)$

Expects a record containing an '\_id' key, and other important non-selection field keys such as summary, details, etc.

#### **Arguments:**

mdb\_record : dictionary

a record returned by a MongoDB query

#### Returns:

parsed\_record : tuple

an id-string tuple of the MongoDB query record

## $_{ m json Tools.} {f get Text}(mdb\_cursor)$

Creates a list of ('record\_id', 'record\_str') tuples from a given MongoDB query

#### **Arguments:**

mdb\_cursor : object

a MongoDB query containing an '\_id' key, and other important non-selection field keys such as summary, details, etc.

#### Returns:

corpus: list

a corpus containing a list of ('\_id','str') tuples

## Module: textAnalyzer.py

## textAnalyzer.removeQuotes(string)

Remove quotation marks from an input string

#### **Arguments:**

string: string

input string that might have the quote "" characters

#### Returns:

str: string

a string without the quote characters

## $textAnalyzer.parseDatafileLine(datafileLine, datafile\_pattern)$

Parse a line of the data file using the specified regular expression pattern

#### **Arguments:**

datafileLine: string

input string that is a line from the data file

datafile\_pattern : string

a regular expression describing the format of datafileLine

#### Returns:

a string parsed using the given regular expression and without quote characters

## textAnalyzer.simpleTokenize(string, $split_regex=r' \setminus W+'$ )

A simple implementation of input string tokenization

#### Arguments:

string: string

input string to be tokenized

split\_regex : string (optional)

a regular expression to be used to split the string up into tokens

#### Returns:

tokens: list

a list of tokens

## textAnalyzer.tokenize(string, stopwords\_set)

An implementation of input string tokenization that excludes stopwords

#### **Arguments:**

string: string

input string to be tokenized

 $stopwords\_set: set$ 

a set of stopwords to be ignored in the tokenization process

#### Returns:

tokens: list

a list of tokens without stopwords

## $ext{textAnalyzer.countTokens}(vendorRDD)$

Count and return the number of tokens

#### **Arguments:**

vendorRDD: RDD

Pair tuple of record ID to tokenized output

#### Returns:

count: int

count of all tokens

## textAnalyzer.termFrequency(tokens)

Compute the Term Frequency of the tokens

#### **Arguments:**

tokens: list

input list of tokens (from textAnalyzer.tokenize())

#### Returns:

tf\_dict : dictionary

a dictionary of tokens to their TF values

```
textAnalyzer.inverseDocumentFrequency(corpus)
    Compute Inverse-Document Frequency of the tokens in the corpus
     Arguments:
         corpus: RDD
             RDD of a corpus containing a set of all tokens found in the query
     Returns:
         idfRDD: RDD
             RDD of (token, IDF value) from the corpus
textAnalyzer.tfidf(tokens, idfs)
    Compute the Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency of the tokens in the corpus
     Arguments:
         tokens: list
             input list of tokens (from textAnalyzer.tokenize())
         idfs: dictionary
             a dictionary of records to their IDF values
    Returns:
         tfidf_dict: dictionary
             a dictionary of records to their TF-IDF values
textAnalyzer.invert(record)
    Invert a list of ('_id', [tokens]) to a list of ('token', '_id')
     Arguments:
         record: tuple
             a tuple of the form: ('_id', [token_vector])
     Returns:
         inverted_record: list
             a list of tuples of the form: ('token', '_id')
textAnalyzer.swap(record)
    Swap (token, ('docId', 'queryId')) to (('docId', 'queryId'), 'token')
     Arguments:
         record: tuple
             a tuple of the form: (token, ('docId', 'queryI'))
    Returns:
         swapped_record: tuple
             a tuple of the form:(('docId', 'queryI'), 'token')
```

## Class: textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity

### textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity.dotprod(a, b)

Compute the dot product between two values

#### **Arguments:**

 $\mathbf{a}$ : dictionary

first dictionary of record to value

**b** : dictionary

second dictionary of record to value

#### Returns:

 $\mathbf{dotProd}: \mathit{float}$ 

result of the dot product of the two input dictionaries

## textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity.norm(a)

Compute the normalization of the input dictionary

#### **Arguments:**

**a**: dictionary

a dictionary of record to value

#### Returns:

**norm**: dictionary

a dictionary of tokens to their normalized TF values

## textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity.cossim(a, b)

Compute the cosine similarity between two values

#### **Arguments:**

 $\mathbf{a}$ : dictionary

first dictionary of record to value

**b** : dictionary

second dictionary of record to value

#### Returns:

cossim: float

dot product of two dictionaries divided by the norm of the first dictionary and then by the norm of the second dictionary

```
textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity.cosineSimilarity(string1, string2, idfsDictionary)
    Compute the cosine similarity between two values
     Arguments:
        string1: string
             first string
        string2 : string
            second string
        idfsDictionary: dictionary
             a dictionary of IDF values
    Returns:
        cossim: float
             cosine similarity value
textAnalyzer.cosineSimilarity.fastCosineSimilarity(record, inputWeightsBroadcast,
          database Weights Broadcast, input Norms Broadcast, database Norms Broadcast)
    Compute Cosine Similarity using Broadcast variables
     Arguments:
        record: tuple
             a tuple of the form: (('docId', 'queryId'), 'token')
        inputWeightsBroadcast: RDD.broadcast
             broadcasted input TF-IDF weights RDD
        {f database Weights Broadcast}: RDD. broadcast
             broadcasted database TF-IDF weights RDD
        inputNormsBroadcast: RDD.broadcast
             broadcasted input normalized weights RDD
        {f database Norms Broadcast}: RDD. broadcast
            broadcasted database normalized weights RDD
```

#### Returns:

cossim: tuple

a computed cosine similarity tuple of the form: (('docId', 'queryId'), 'cosineSimilarity-Value')

## Module: weighting.py

## $\textbf{weighting.} \textbf{grabWeightingQueryFormat} (\textit{mdb\_collectionType} = "incidents")$

Determines the query format that the recommendation engine will use for weighting based on the collection/ticket type

# Arguments:

mdb\_collectionType : string (optional)

the type of ticket being searched and recommended against

#### Returns:

weighting\_query\_format : dictionary

format of the mongo query for a specific ticket type

## weighting.applyWeights(record, $firstPass\_overallWeight=1.0$ )

Applies the weight of first pass of the recommendation engine to the second pass of the engine

#### **Arguments:**

```
record: tuple
```

tuple of the form: (('docId', 'queryId'), ('firstPass\_score', 'secondPass\_score'))

firstPass\_overallWeight : float (optional)

the weighting effect that the first pass, overall, has compared to the second pass

#### Returns:

```
jointWeight: tuple
```

tuple of the form: (('docId', 'queryId'), 'jointWeight')

## weighting.parseMongoRecordRelevancy $(mdb\_record)$

Grabs the relevancy score from a MongoDB record

#### **Arguments:**

mdb\_record : dictionary

a MongoDB record

#### Returns:

rlvcTuple: tuple

a tuple of the form: ('recId', 'rcRlvcScore')

## weighting. $\mathbf{getRelevancy}(mdb\_cursor)$

Generate a list of document Ids with their relevancy scores

#### **Arguments:**

#### mdb\_cursor : object

a MongoDB query containing an '.id' key, and other important non-selection field keys such as summary, details, etc.

#### Returns:

#### rlvcList: list

a list of tuples of relevancy scores of the form: ('\_id', 'rlvcScore')

## ${f weighting.parse} {f Recommendation} (recommendations)$

Grabs the query id of a document and its recommendation score

#### **Arguments:**

#### recommendations: list

a list of tuples of ids and their recommendation scores of the form: (('recId', 'queryId'), 'recScore')

#### Returns:

#### reducedRecommendations: list

a list of tuples of just the query ids and their recommendation scores of the form: ('queryId', 'recScore')

## weighting.applyRlvc(record, overallRlvcWeight=1.0)

Applies the weight of the relevancy score to the joint similarity score of the recommendation engine

#### **Arguments:**

#### record: tuple

a tuple of a query Id and its similarity and relevancy scores of the form: ('queryId', ('simScore', 'rlvcScore'))

#### overallRlvcWeight : float (optional)

the weighting effect that the relevancy score, overall, has compared to the similarity score

#### Returns:

#### recommendationScore: tuple

a tuple of the query Id and its calculated recommendation score of the form: (queryId, recScore)

## Module: parseAndInsert.py

## $parseAndInsert.paiManyWithCollection(infile, mdb\_collection)$

Given a file containing JSON documents, this function parses the contents of the file into separate JSON documents, inserts them into a given MongoDB collection, and returns a list of MongoDB ObjectIds associated with the inserted documents

#### **Arguments:**

infile: string

location of a text file containing JSON documents

 $mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a mongoDB collection pointer

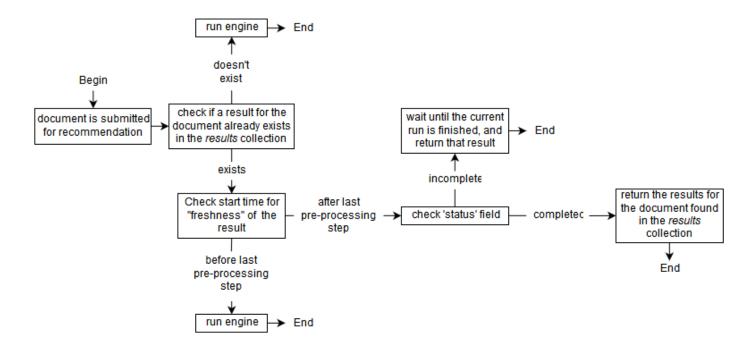
#### Returns:

insertedIds: list

a list of the MongoDB ObjectIds assigned to the documents that were submitted

## Module: submissionChecks.py

#### submissionChecks.py Flowchart



## $submissionChecks.checkResultExists(inputId, mdb\_results\_collection)$

This function checks if recommendation results for a given input MongoDB ObjectId already exists within the recResult collection

#### **Arguments:**

inputId: string

the string within the ObjectId() of the MongoDB ObjectId, i.e. ObjectId(inputId)

 $mdb\_results\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a mongoDB collection pointer to the recResult collection

#### Returns:

resultExists: boolean

it is whether or not a result for the given inputId already exists in the recResult collection

## $submissionChecks.checkResultStatus(inputId, mdb\_results\_collection)$

If a result already exists in the *recResult* collection, then this function checks the 'status' field of the *recResult* document to see if the status of the result is showed as 'completed', i.e. {'status':3}

#### **Arguments:**

inputId: string

the string within the ObjectId() of the MongoDB ObjectId, i.e. ObjectId(inputId)

 $mdb\_results\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a mongoDB collection pointer to the recResult collection

#### Returns:

statusCompleted: boolean

if a result exists in the *recResult* collection, then it is whether or not the 'status' field shows the result as 'completed'

## $submissionChecks.checkResultTiming(inputId, mdb\_results\_collection,$

lastPreProcessTime)

If a result already exists in the *recResult* collection and it is also shown to be a 'completed' ticket, then this function checks that the latest result returned was generated *after* the last preProcess run

#### **Arguments:**

inputId: string

the string within the ObjectId() of the MongoDB ObjectId, i.e. ObjectId(inputId)

 $mdb\_results\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a mongoDB collection pointer to the recResult collection

lastPreProcessTime: float

the timestamp, in seconds of the last preProcess run

#### Returns:

 ${\bf completed After Last Pre Process}: \textit{boolean}$ 

if a result exists in the recResult collection, and the result's 'status' field is shown as 'completed', then it is whether or not the latest result returned was generated after the last preProcess run

## Module: algorithms.py

## algorithms.muCalculator(lowerBound=7200., upperBound=28800.)

Calculates the value of  $\mu$  for a gaussian curve

#### Arguments:

lowerBound : float (optional)

the time, in seconds, of the lower bound of the gaussian

upperBound : float (optional)

the time, in seconds, of the upper bound of the gaussian

### Returns:

 $\mathbf{mu}: float$ 

the time value of the center of the peak for the gaussian

 $\mu$  is the center of the peak for the Gaussian curve given by the equation:

$$\mu = \frac{b-a}{2} + a$$

where a = lowerBound, and b = upperBound.

# algorithms. $\mathbf{sigmaCalculator}(mu, boundValue=7200., boundsWeightConfig=1.1, peakWeightConfig=1.4)$

Calculates the value of  $\sigma$  for a gaussian curve

#### **Arguments:**

 $\mathbf{mu}: float$ 

the time value of the center of the peak for the gaussian

boundValue : float (optional)

the time, in seconds, of either the lower or upper bound

boundWeightConfig: float (optional)

the weight the gaussian will return for boundValue

peakWeightConfig : float (optional)

the weight the gaussian will return for  $\mu$ 

#### Returns:

sig: float

the value of sigma that will cause the gaussian to return boundsWeightConfig at both the upper and lower bound

 $\sigma$  is the variance of the Gaussian curve. It describes how far a set of random number are spread out from the mean  $(\mu)$ , given by the equation:

$$\sigma = \frac{x - \mu}{\sqrt{-2 \cdot \ln\left(\frac{w-1}{z-1}\right)}}$$

where x = boundValue, w = boundsWeightConfig, z = peakWeightConfig, and  $\mu = \text{the } \mu$  generated by algorithms.muCalculator().

**Note:** In is the natural log, a logarithm with a base of the mathematical constant e:  $\ln(x) = \log_e(x)$ .

algorithms.gaussian(time, mu, sigma, peakWeightConfig=1.4)

Returns the value of the gaussian curve for a given time

#### **Arguments:**

time: float

the time, in seconds, that a gaussian weight will be calculated for

 $\mathbf{mu}: float$ 

the time value of the center of the peak for the gaussian

sigma: float

the value of sigma that will cause the gaussian to return boundsWeightConfig at both the upper and lower bound

peakWeightConfig : float (optional)

the weight the gaussian will return for  $\mu$ 

#### Returns:

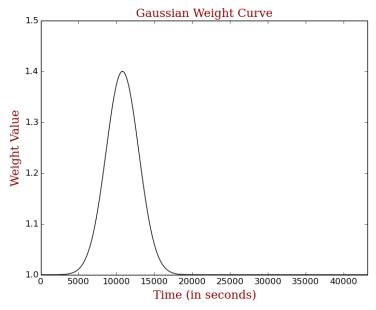
timeWeight: float

the weight the gaussian returns for a given input time

The Gaussian is a normal distribution of a dataset, given by the equation:

$$y = 1 + (z - 1) \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right]$$

where y = timeWeight, x = time, z = peakWeightConfig,  $\mu = \text{the } \mu$  generated by algorithms.muCalculator(), and  $\sigma = \text{the } \sigma$  generated by algorithms.sigmaCalculator(). Note: exp() is the exponential function of the mathematical constant e: exp(x) =  $e^x$ .



The above figure shows the curve that algorithms.gaussian() follows. For this particular curve,  $\mathbf{mu} = 10800$ ,  $\mathbf{sigma} \approx 2162.02034$ , and  $\mathbf{peakWeightConfig} = 1.4$ .

# algorithms.priorityLevelWeighting(sortedPriority, priorityLevelsMaxWeight=1.5, numPriorityLevels=4)

Returns the weight a sortedPriority value has for a grouping with x levels of priority

#### **Arguments:**

sortedPriority: int

the sorted value of a ticket's priority level, the lower the value, the higher the priority (0 being the highest priority)

priorityLevelsMaxWeight : float (optional)

the value of the weight that the message will have if its sorted priority value is 0 numPriorityLevels: int (optional)

the number of levels of priority that the group the message belongs to has

#### Returns:

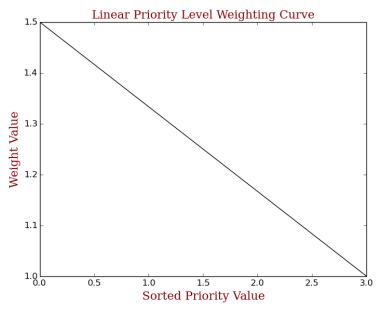
priorityWeight: float

the value of the weight of the message's priority level

The linear fit of the weight of the priority levels is given by the equation:

$$y = w - \left(\frac{w-1}{z-1}\right) \cdot x$$

where x = sortedPriority, w = priorityLevelsMaxWeight, and z = numPriorityLevels



The above figure shows the curve that **algorithms.priorityLevelWeighting()** follows. For this particular curve, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

 $\textbf{algorithms.} \\ \textbf{logisticsGrowth} (\textit{numWorkNotes}, \textit{upperNumWorkNotesBound} = 20, \\$ 

Returns the value of a logistics curve for a given number of work notes to be used as the relevancy weighting due to the number of work notes in the document

#### **Arguments:**

numWorkNotes: int

the number of work notes found in the document

upperNumWorkNotesBound: int (optional)

number of work notes after which diminishing returns becomes a serious factor and the value will not grow much higher than the value of upperNumBoundWeight

minNumWorkNotes: int (optional)

the minimum number of work notes that need to exist in the document before work notes are taken into account for relevancy weighting

upperNumBoundWeight: float (optional)

the value of the weight work notes has on the relevancy score at upperNumWorkNotes-Bound, the soft-cap of the weight

#### Returns:

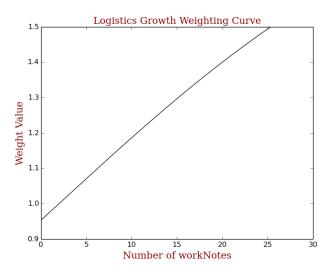
numWorkNotesWeight: float

the value of the weight of the number of work notes found in the document

The logistics growth curve of the weight of the number of work notes found in the document is given by the equation:

$$y = \frac{2}{1 + \exp\left[\frac{\ln\left(\frac{2-w}{w}\right)}{a-z} \cdot (x-z)\right]}$$

where y = numWorkNotesWeight, x = numWorkNotes, a = upperNumWorkNotes. Bound, z = minNumWorkNotes, and w = upperNumBoundWeight.



The above figure shows the curve that **algorithms.logisticsGrowth()** follows. For this particular curve, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

 ${\bf algorithms. logisticsGrowth2} (numTokens,\ upperNumTokensBound=150.,$ 

Returns the value of a logistics curve for a given token count to be used as the relevancy weighting due to the number tokens in a given field

#### **Arguments:**

numTokens: int

the number of tokens found in the field

upperNumTokensBound: float (optional)

number of tokens after which diminishing returns becomes a serious factor and the value will not grow much higher than the value of upperBoundWeight

minNumTokens: float (optional)

the minimum number of tokens that need to exist in the field before token count is taken into account for relevancy weighting

upperBoundWeight: float (optional)

the value of the weight token count has on the relevancy score at upperNumTokensBound, the soft-cap of the weight

#### Returns:

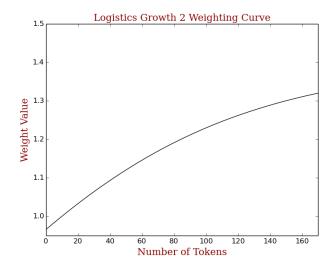
numTokensWeight: float

the value of the weight of the number of tokens found in the field

The second version of the logistics growth curve of the weight of the number of tokens found in a given field, after the removal of stopwords, is given by the equation:

$$y = \frac{w}{1 + (w - 1) \cdot \exp\left[ (z - x) \cdot \left( \frac{\ln(w - 1) - \ln(3(w - 1)^2 + 4(w - 1))}{z - a} \right) \right]}$$

where y = numTokensWeight, x = numTokens, a = upperNumTokensBound, z = minNumTokens, and w = upperBoundWeight.



The above figure shows the curve that algorithms.logisticsGrowth2() follows. For this particular curve, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

algorithms.logGrowth(inputNum, minNum=2, upperNumBound=20, upperBoundWeight=1.4)

Returns the value of a logarithmic growth curve for a given input value

#### **Arguments:**

inputNum: int

the input value for which a relevancy weight will be calculated

minNum: int (optional)

the minimum value needed as input in order for a weight to be calculated

upperNumBound : int (optional)

the value at which diminishing returns becomes a serious factor and the value will not grow much higher than the value of upperBoundWeight

upperBoundWeight: float (optional)

the value of the weight that will be returned for upperNumBound as the input, the soft-cap of the weight

#### Returns:

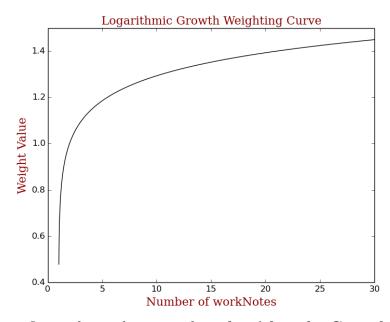
logWeight: float

the value of the logarithmic weight for the given input

The logarithmic growth curve of the weight of a given parameter is given by the equation:

$$y = 1 + \frac{\ln(x - (z - 1)) \cdot (w - 1)}{\ln(a)}$$

where y = logWeight, x = inputNum, a = upperNumBound, z = minNum, and w = upperBoundWeight.



The above figure shows the curve that **algorithms.logGrowth()** follows. For this particular curve, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

# algorithms.exponential(inputNum, minNum=0, upperNumBound=4, upperBoundWeight=1.5)

Returns the value of an exponential growth curve for a given input value

#### **Arguments:**

inputNum: int

the input value for which a relevancy weight will be calculated

minNum: int (optional)

the minimum value needed as input in order for a weight to be calculated

upperNumBound: int (optional)

the value at which the weight is the maximum value, upperBoundWeight

upperBoundWeight : float (optional)

the value of the weight that will be returned for upperNumBound as the input, the hardcap of the weight

#### Returns:

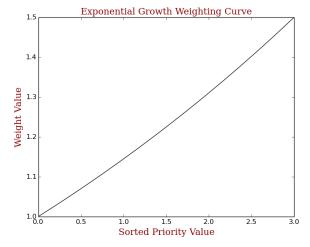
exponentialWeight: float

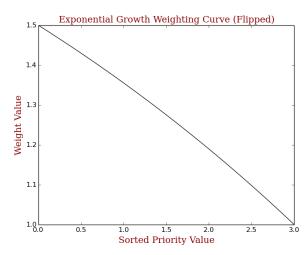
the value of the exponential weight for the given input

The exponential growth curve of the weight of a given parameter is given by the equation:

$$y = \exp\left[\frac{\ln(w)}{a-z-1}\cdot(x-z)\right]$$

where y = exponentialWeight, x = inputNum, a = upperNumBound, z = minNum, and w = upperBoundWeight.





The above figures show the curve that **algorithms.exponential()** follows.

The figure on the right shows the curve of the weighting after the **sortedPriority** value has been flipped, so that 0 represents a *critical* priority and a 3 represents a *low* priority, which is the proper representation of the **sortedPriority** value. For these particular curves, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

## algorithms.cosineGrowth(sortedPriority, numPriorityLevels=4,

$$maxPriorityWeight=1.5$$
)

Returns the weight a sortedPriority value has for a grouping with x levels of priority, using a cosine function as the curve

#### **Arguments:**

#### $\mathbf{sortedPriority}: int$

the sorted value of a ticket's priority level, the lower the value, the higher the priority (0 being the highest priority)

#### numPriorityLevels: int (optional)

the number of levels of priority that the group the message belongs to has

the value of the weight that the message will have if its sorted priority value is 0

#### Returns:

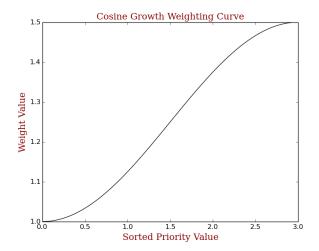
#### cosinePriorityWeight: float

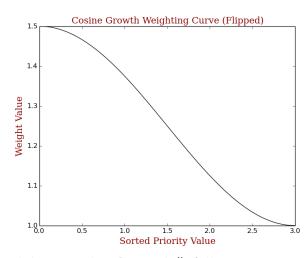
the value of the cosine-driven weight of the message's priority level

The cosine growth curve of the weight of the priority level is given by the equation:

$$y = 1 + \left(\frac{w-1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \cos\left[\pi \cdot \left(\frac{(l-1)-x}{l-1}\right) - 1\right]\right)$$

where y = cosinePriorityWeight, x = sortedPriority, l = numPriorityLevels, and w = maxPriorityWeight.





The above figures show the curve that algorithms.cosineGrowth() follows.

The figure on the right shows the curve of the weighting after the **sortedPriority** value has been flipped, so that 0 represents a *critical* priority and a 3 represents a *low* priority, which is the proper representation of the **sortedPriority** value. For these particular curves, the optional variables were kept at their default values.

## algorithms.inverseWeighting(weight\_list)

Calculates the total relevancy score a document will have Rather than multiplying the weights together, this will do the inverse, where applying additional weights will have diminishing returns on the score, approaching the value of 1, or 100% additional weighting. With this method, however, the total score will always be  $\geq 0$  and < 1

#### **Arguments:**

weight\_list: list

a list of weights to be concatenated into the relevancy score

#### Returns:

weighted\_score : float

the result of inverse concatenation of the weights

The diminishing returns approach of applying weights to the score is given by the equation:

$$C = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^{n} (2 - W_i)$$

where  $C = \mathbf{weighted\_score}$ ,  $[W_1, W_2, ..., W_n]$  are the weights found in  $\mathbf{weight\_list}$ , and n is the length of  $\mathbf{weight\_list}$ .

## Module: mongoBall.py

#### Class: mongoBall.mongoBall

```
mongoBall.mongoBall._init_(self, database='test', client='mongodb://localhost',
                             port=27017, passProtected=False, userName='user',
                             userPass='pass')
   Initializes the MongoDB setup object
     Arguments:
        database: string (optional)
            name of the Mongo database
        client: string (optional)
            name of the Mongo database client
        port : int (optional)
            port number to connect to the Mongo database client
        passProtected: boolean (optional)
            whether or not the Mongo database requires a password to access
        userName: string (optional)
            a username to be used to connect to a password-protected Mongo database
        userPass: string (optional)
            a password for the username to be used to connect to a password-protected Mongo
            database
     Returns:
        None
```

## mongoBall.mongoBall.getDatabase(self)

Return the name of the Mongo Database

#### **Arguments:**

None

#### Returns:

self.database

## mongoBall.mongoBall.getClient(self)

Return the name of the Mongo client host

**Arguments:** 

None

Returns:

self.client

## mongoBall.mongoBall. $\mathbf{getPort}(\mathit{self})$

Return the port number

**Arguments:** 

None

Returns:

self.port

### mongoBall.mongoBall.stat(self)

Prints the value of self.database, self.client, and self.port

**Arguments:** 

None

Returns:

print statements of self.database, self.client, and self.port

## mongoBall.mongoBall.connection(self)

Establish a connection to the database

**Arguments:** 

None

Returns:

 $mdb\_connection: mongodb$ 

an established connection to a Mongo database

## mongoBall.mongoBall. $ext{db}(\mathit{self})$

Get a handle to the database

Arguments:

None

Returns:

 $\mathbf{mdb}$ : mongodb.database

an authenticated handle on a Mongo database

### mongoBall.mongoBall.collection(self, collection)

Access collection 'collection'

#### **Arguments:**

collection: string

name of the Mongo DB collection

#### Returns:

mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection

an authenticated handle on a MongoDB collection

## Class: mongoBall.mongoURIBall

 $Extends\ mongoBall.mongoBall$ 

mongoBall.mongoBall.\_init\_(self,

mongoURI="mongodb://user:pass@localhost:27017/test")

Initializes the MongoDB setup object

#### **Arguments:**

mongoURI: string (optional)

a full MongoDB URI containing all of the credentials necessary to connect to a password-protected Mongo database

#### Returns:

None

## mongoBall.mongoBall.connection (self)

Establish a connection to the database through a URI

#### **Arguments:**

None

#### Returns:

 $mdb\_connection: mongodb$ 

an established connection to a Mongo database via URI

## mongoBall.mongoBall. $\mathbf{db}(\mathit{self})$

Get a handle to the default database in the URI

#### **Arguments:**

None

#### Returns:

 $\mathbf{mdb}$ : mongodb.database

an authenticated handle on a Mongo database via URI

## Class: mongoBall.recConfigURI

#### $Extends\ mongoBall.mongoURIBall$

mongoBall.mongoBall.\_init\_(self,

```
mongoURI="mongodb://user:pass@localhost:27017/test",
collection='recConfig', groupingId='default')
```

Initializes the recConfig collection setup and grabs a handle on it

#### **Arguments:**

```
mongoURI: string (optional)
```

a full MongoDB URI containing all of the credentials to connect to a Mongo database

**collection**: string (optional)

name of the collection to get a handle on (default: "recConfig")

groupingId : string (optional)

the grouping Id for which the recConfig collection contains a particular document of configurables

#### Returns:

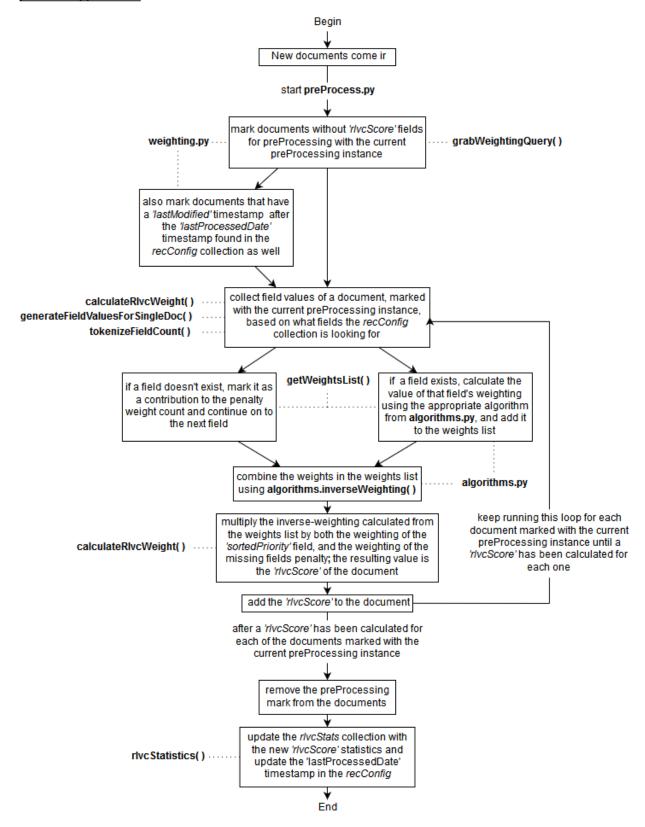
None

The recConfig collection contains a unique document of configurables for a given **groupingId** for use in **submission.py** and **preProcess.py**. Each document has the following layout:

```
"_id" : ObjectId("573b879d7f9ee95f53d66cd4"),
"filterTopPercent": 0.2,
"groupingId" : "default",
"lastProcessedDate" : datetime.datetime(1970, 1, 1, 0, 0),
"overallRlvcWeight" : 0.6,
"recEngineInputLimit" : 100000
"recTTL" : 3600,
"recTotalOutput" : 5,
"rlvcNumPriorityLevels" : {
    "configValue" : 4,
    "weight" : 1.5},
"rlvcNumSummaryWords" : {
    "configValue" : 1,
    "weight" : 1.3},
"rlvcNumDetailsWords" : {
    "configValue" : 15,
    "weight" : 1.3},
"rlvcNumWorkNotes" : {
    "configValue" : 2,
    "weight" : 1.5},
"rlvcNumWorkNoteSummaryWords" : {
    "configValue" : 10,
    "weight" : 1.4},
"rlvcNumWorkNoteDetailsWords" : {
    "configValue" : 10,
    "weight" : 1.4},
"rlvcTimeRangeLowerBound" : {
    "configValue" : 7200,
    "weight" : 1.1},
"rlvcTimeRangeUpperBound" : {
    "configValue" : 28800,
    "weight" : 1.4},}
```

## Relevancy Engine: preProcess.py

#### preProcess.py Flowchart



**preProcess.py** is the core application that is submitted to spark-submit for the relevancy engine. This application is called in the following way:

#### Arguments:

groupingId: string

the grouping Id that the input document belongs to in the Mongo database

mongoDB\_uri : string

URI of the Mongo database that contains the documents to be recommended against

mongoDB\_collection: string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains the documents that will be recommended (default: "message")

rlvcStats\_collection : string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains the statistics of the 'rlvcScore's of the given **groupingId** (default: "rlvcStats")

recConfig\_collection : string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains user-configurable variables for use in both the recommendation engine and the pre-processing engine (default: "recConfig")

recConfig\_uri : string (optional)

URI of the Mongo Database that contains the user-configurable variables documents (default: same as mongoDB\_uri)

## preProcess.grabWeightingQuery(groupingId, mdb\_collection,

 $mdb\_collectionType="incidents", withRlvcScore=False$ )

Grabs the MongoDB query format for incident files and creates a handle on the query

#### **Arguments:**

groupingId : string

The grouping Id that the input document belongs to in the Mongo Database

mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection

a MongoDB collection pointer

mdb\_collectionType : string (optional)

the type of ticket being searched and recommended against

withRlvcScore: boolean (optional)

whether or not the query looks for documents for which a 'rlvcScore' field exists

#### Returns:

weight\_fields\_query : mongodb.query

- a MongoDB query across a given groupingId, formatted for 'incident' type files, where
- a 'rlvcScore' field either exists or does not, depending on the withRlvcScore flag

## preProcess.tokenizeFieldCount(field\_name, doc, sw\_set)

Counts the number of tokens in a given field, excluding tokens listed in a given stopword set

#### **Arguments:**

field\_name: string

the name of the document field being tokenized and counted

**doc**: dictionary

a single MongoDB document

 $sw_set: set$ 

a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

#### Returns:

tokenCount: int

the number of stopword-excluded tokens found in the given field for the given document

## ${\tt preProcess.generateFieldValuesForSingleDoc}(\textit{doc}, \textit{sw\_set})$

Generates a dictionary of field values for the recConfig parameters

#### **Arguments:**

**doc**: dictionary

a single MongoDB document

 $sw_set: set$ 

a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

#### Returns:

configResults: dictionary

a dictionary of field values and other field parameters taken from the given document to be compared with the parameters in the recConfiq document

## $preProcess.getWeightsList(configResults, recConfig\_handle)$

returns a list of weights based off the configResults dictionary compared with the *recConfig* parameters of the given **groupingId** 

#### **Arguments:**

configResults: dictionary

a dictionary of field values and other field parameters taken from a given document, generated by preProcess.generateFieldValuesForSingleDoc()

 ${\bf recConfig\_handle}: {\it mongoBall.recConfigURI}$ 

a handle on a recConfig document in the recConfig collection and its parameters for the given groupingId

#### Returns:

weightsList: list

a list of each **configResults** field's calculated weight based on the *recConfig* parameters of the given **groupingId** 

**penalty**: *float* 

a penalty weight to be applied to the 'rlvcScore' for missing fields

## $preProcess.calculateRlvcWeight(doc, sw\_set, recConfig\_handle)$

Calculates the relevancy score for a given document based on weights and penalties calculated in **preProcess.getWeightsList()**, and the 'priority' of the document

#### **Arguments:**

**doc**: dictionary

a single MongoDB document for which a relevancy score will be calculated

 $sw_set: set$ 

a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

 ${\bf recConfig\_handle}: mongoBall.recConfigURI$ 

a handle on a *recConfig* document in the *recConfig* collection and its parameters for the given **groupingId** 

#### Returns:

rlvcScore: float

a score given to a document describing how relevant it is to the database based on parameters given by the recConfig document of the given document's groupingId

## $preProcess.rlvcStatistics(topNPercent, groupingId, mdb\_collection,$

rlvcStats\_collection, recEngineInputLimit=100000)

Creates a MongoDB table with the relevancy score statistics of the documents passed into the current preProcess run

#### **Arguments:**

topNPercent: float

the top n percent of documents with the highest relevancy scores that will be queried for possible recommendation by **submission.py** 

groupingId : string

the grouping Id for which the recConfig collection contains a particular document of configurables

mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection

a MongoDB collection pointer

rlvcStats\_collection: mongodb.collection

a MongoDB collection pointer in which relevancy score statistics for given **groupingIds** are stored

recEngineInputLimit : int (optional)

the limit of the number of documents that can be queried for possible recommendation by **submission.py** 

#### Returns:

Inserts a new or updates an existing document in the *rlvcStats* collection with relevancy score statistics for the given **groupingId** 

## preProcess.run\_preProcessing(groupingId, mdb\_collection,

 $rlvcStats\_collection,\ recConfig\_collection,$ 

sw\_set, recConfig\_handle)

Configures setup variables and runs the preProcessing/Relevancy Engine

#### **Arguments:**

#### groupingId : string

the grouping Id for which the recConfig collection contains a particular document of configurables

#### $mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection$

a MongoDB collection pointer

#### ${\bf rlvcStats\_collection}: mongodb.collection$

a MongoDB collection pointer in which relevancy score statistics for given **groupingIds** are stored

#### ${\bf recConfig\_collection}: mongodb.collection$

a MongoDB collection pointer in which configuration parameters for **preProcess.py** and **submission.py** for given **groupingIds** are stored

#### $sw_set: set$

a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

#### recConfig\_handle: mongoBall.recConfigURI

a handle on a recConfig document in the recConfig collection and its parameters for the given groupingId

#### Returns:

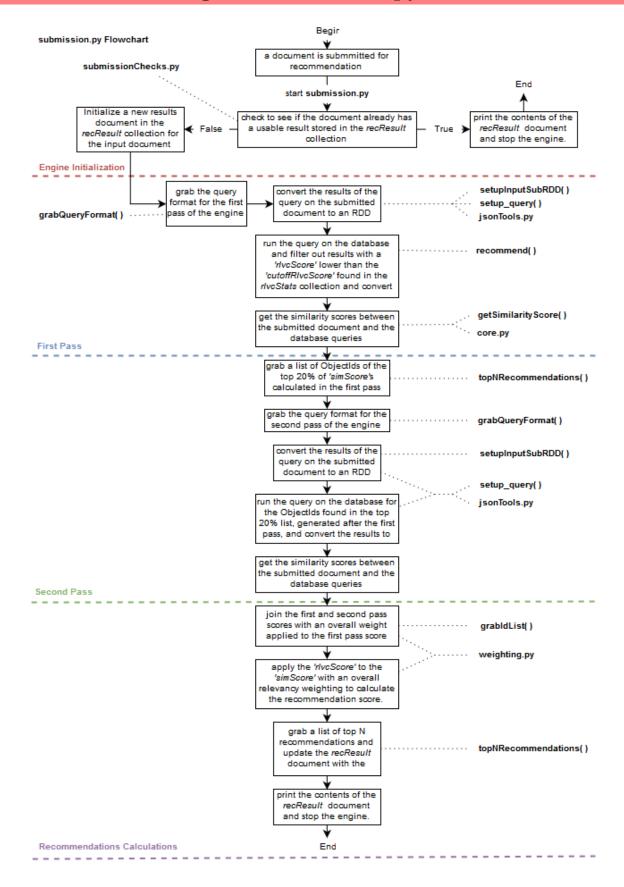
Inserts a new 'rlvcScore' field or updates an existing one with the relevancy score generated by the preProcessing/Relevancy Engine for all documents passed into the engine

## Notes on the Relevancy Engine

## $Weighting\ Algorithms:$

Explanation of which algorithms are currently being used for the weighting process, and why these algorithms have been chosen for certain fields.

## Recommendation Engine: submission.py



**submission.py** is the core application that is submitted to spark-submit for the recommendation engine. This application is called in the following way:

#### **Arguments:**

#### submission\_type : string

the type of input submission. This will be either "file", "single", or "query"

#### inputSub: object

documents that recommendations are being requested for. This will be either a JSON dictionary, a file name, or a MongoDB query

#### mongoDB\_uri : string (optional)

URI of the Mongo database that contains the documents to be recommended against (default: "mongodb://user:pass@localhost:27017/test")

#### groupingId : string (optional)

the grouping Id that the input documents belong to in the Mongo database (default: 'default')

#### mongoDB\_collection : string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains the documents that will be recommended (default: "message")

#### results\_collection: string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains the results of the recommendation that will be recommended (default: "recResult")

#### rlvcStats\_collection : string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains the statistics of the 'rlvcScore's of the given groupingId (default: "rlvcStats")

#### mdb\_collectionType : string (optional)

type of messages that are contained in the MongoDB collection (default: "incidents")

#### weightedRlvc: boolean (optional)

whether or not the recommendation engine will also take into account the 'rlvcScore' of the documents when calculating the recommendation score (default: True)

#### recConfig\_collection: string (optional)

name of the MongoDB collection that contains user-configurable variables for use in both the recommendation engine and the pre-processing engine (default: "recConfig")

#### recConfig\_uri : string (optional)

URI of the Mongo database that contains the user-configurable variables documents (default: same as mongoDB\_uri)

## $submission.grabQueryFormat(mdb\_collectionType="incidents", firstPass=True)$

Determines the query format that the recommendation engine will use to grab documents from MongoDB based on the collection/ticket type

#### **Arguments:**

mdb\_collectionType : string (optional)

the type of ticket being searched and recommended against

firstPass: boolean (optional)

flag for whether the engine is on its first or second pass

#### Returns:

query\_format : dictionary

format of the mongo query for a specified ticket type

## submission. $setup\_query(idList, mdb\_collection, query\_format, sc)$

Given a list of MongoDB ObjectId's and a query format, this function fetches the results of the queries and concatenates their values into a single string field and parallelizes that string field into a Spark RDD

#### **Arguments:**

idList: list

a list of ObjectIds corresponding to the documents in the collection

 $mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a MongoDB collection pointer

query\_format : dictionary

format of the mongo query

 $\mathbf{sc}$ : SparkContext

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

 $\mathbf{subRDD}$ : spark.RDD

a concatenated Spark RDD of the submitted documents

## ${\bf submission. recommend} (\textit{mdb\_collection}, \textit{rlvcStats\_collection}, \textit{groupingId}, \\$

 $query\_format, sc)$ 

Sets up the query corpus of the dataset to be recommended against

#### **Arguments:**

 ${\bf mdb\_collection}: \ mongodb.collection$ 

a MongoDB collection pointer

 ${\bf rlvcStats\_collection}: mongodb.collection$ 

a MongoDB collection pointer in which relevancy score statistics for given **groupingIds** are stored

groupingId : string

the grouping Id that the input documents belong to in the Mongo database

query\_format : dictionary

format of the mongo query

 $\mathbf{sc}$ : SparkContext

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

queryRDD: spark.RDD

a concatenated Spark RDD of the query corpus of the dataset to be recommended against

## submission.getSimilarityScore(subRDD, queryRDD, $sw\_set$ , sc)

Calculates the similarity score for the documents submitted to the engine against a set of queried documents

#### **Arguments:**

subRDD : spark.RDD

a concatenated Spark RDD of the submitted documents

queryRDD: spark.RDD

a concatenated Spark RDD of the query corpus of the dataset to be recommended against

 $sw\_set: set$ 

a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing

 $\mathbf{sc}$ : SparkContext

Spark Context Environment

#### Returns:

similaritiesRDD: spark.RDD

a Spark RDD of cosine similarities between the submitted documents and the query documents

recommendations: list

an accending 'simScore'-sorted list of similar documents found for the submitted documents

## submission.topNRecommendations(recommendations, n, inputSub)

Grabs a list of the top n recommendations found for given input documents

#### **Arguments:**

#### recommendations: list

an accending 'simScore'-sorted list of similar documents found for the submitted documents

#### $\mathbf{n}$ : int

the number of top recommendations to be returned

#### inputSub : object

input documents that recommendations are being requested for

#### Returns:

#### resultsList: list

a descending sorted list of the top n recommendations and their similarity scores of the form: (ObjectId, 'simScore')

## ${f submission.grabIdList}(recommendations)$

Grabs a list of ObjectIds from a list of recommendations while maintaining the 'simScore'-sorted order

#### **Arguments:**

#### recommendations: list

an accending 'simScore'-sorted list of similar documents found for the submitted documents

#### Returns:

#### recIdList: list

a list of ObjectIds of the returned recommendations in accending order of 'simScore's associated with the ObjectIds

# submission.setupInputSubRDD(inputSub, $mdb\_collection$ , $query\_format,sc$ , $submission\_type$ )

Sets up the a Spark RDD for the input ObjectId or list of input ObjectIds

```
Arguments:
```

inputSub : object

input documents that recommendations are being requested for

 $mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection$ 

a MongoDB collection pointer

query\_format : dictionary

format of the mongo query

 $\mathbf{sc}$ : SparkContext

Spark Context Environment

submission\_type: string

the type of input submission. This will be either "file", "single", or "query"

#### Returns:

subRDD : spark.RDD

a concatenated Spark RDD of the submitted documents

insertedIds: list

a list of ObjectIds of any documents that were inserted into mdb\_collection (this value is 'None' for a submission\_type of 'query')

```
mdb\_collectionType, sw\_set, sc, mdb\_results\_collection,
                      rlvcStats_collection, recConfig_handle, weighted=True)
Configures setup variables based on the submission type and runs the Recommendation Engine
 Arguments:
    submission_type: string
         the type of input submission. This will be either "file", "single", or "query"
    inputSub: object
         input documents that recommendations are being requested for
    groupingId : string
         the grouping Id that the input documents belong to in the Mongo database
    mdb\_collection: mongodb.collection
         a MongoDB collection pointer
    mdb_collectionType : string (optional)
         the type of ticket being searched and recommended against
    sw\_set : set
         a set of stopwords to be ignored when tokenizing
    \mathbf{sc}: SparkContext
         Spark Context Environment
    mdb\_results\_collection: mongodb.collection
         a mongoDB collection pointer to the recResult collection
    rlvcStats_collection: mongodb.collection
         a MongoDB collection pointer in which relevancy score statistics for given groupingIds
         are stored
    recConfig_handle: mongoBall.recConfigURI
         a handle on a recConfig document in the recConfig collection and its parameters for the
         given groupingId
```

submission.run\_engine(submission\_type, inputSub, groupingId, mdb\_collection,

## Returns:

weighted:

Inserts a new document or updates an existing document in the *recResult* collection with the top recommendations returned by the engine for the given groupingId.

Each successfully completed document in the recResults collection has the following layout:

## Notes on the Recommendation Engine

## The Two-Pass System:

Explanation of the two-pass system and what combinations of field queries for the first and second passes have already failed in past tests. How the similarity score is calculated.

## Relevancy Weighting:

Explanation of how the relevancy score is taken into account when calculating the recommendation score.