Semantic Computing Group

Exercise Sheet

Statistical Natural Language Processing

Exercise Sheet 5

Due Date: March 31, 11 pm

Note on Submission

All solutions have to be uploaded together as a single zip file to Lern-raumPlus. Solve the exercises by implementing the functions in the file exercise_sheet5.py.

Exercise 1 - Preprocessing [5 points]

The provided corpus contains documents of 20 different topics (one topic per folder). Preprocess the corpus by doing the following steps:

- a) Remove all meta information from each document in the corpus
- b) Install NLTK (www.nltk.org)
- c) Choose an appropriate tokenizer from NLTK and convert each document into a list of tokens
- d) Remove all stopwords
- e) Randomly assign a topic to each word for all documents (20 different topics in total)
- f) Add some instance variables to the class LdaModel for the results of the preprocessing steps

Exercise 2 - LDA Gibbs sampling [15 points]

Implement the LDA Gibbs sampling algorithm (gibbs_sampling). Use $\alpha_i=0.25$ and $\beta_i=0.1$ for all words.

