

Strategic Data Science (SDS)

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- Unstructured data do not have a pre-defined data model or is not organized in a pre-defined manner.

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The TEXT data type stores any kind of text data. It can contain both single-byte and multibyte characters that the locale supports.

- IBM

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Tokenization - The first step in processing text is deciding what terms and phrases are meaningful.

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N-grams -

a contiguous sequence of n items from a given sequence of text or speech.

These phrases often appear together in fixed patterns such as “systems of innovation,” “cease and desist,” or “commander in chief.” These combinations of phrases are also called collocations, as their overall meaning is more than the sum of their parts.

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For example, the words “the”, “to” and “of”, which could account for more than 10 percent of the text.

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Can you identify other stop words manually?

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Text mining refers to the practice of extracting useful analytic information from corpora of text.

- Saltz and Stanton 2018

Text Mining vs. NLP

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Text mining looks for patterns in large data sets. Natural Language Processing (NLP) is more sophisticated on studying how machines can be programmed to digest and make sense of human language.

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Gibbs Sampling for Topic Models

The topic assignment $z_{d,n}$ of word n in document d is proportional to

$$p(z_{d,n} = k) \propto \left(\underbrace{\frac{N_{d,k} + a}{N_{d,\cdot} + Ka}}_{\text{how much doc likes the topic}} \right) \left(\underbrace{\frac{V_{k,w_{d,n}} + \beta}{V_{k,\cdot} + V\beta}}_{\text{how much topic likes the word}} \right),$$

Term frequency-inverse document frequency (TFIDF)

Box 7.1: TFIDF

For every token t and every document d in the corpus D , TFIDF is calculated as

$$tfidf(t, d, D) = tf(t, d) \times idf(t, D),$$

where term frequency is either a simple count,

$$tf(t, d) = f(t, d),$$

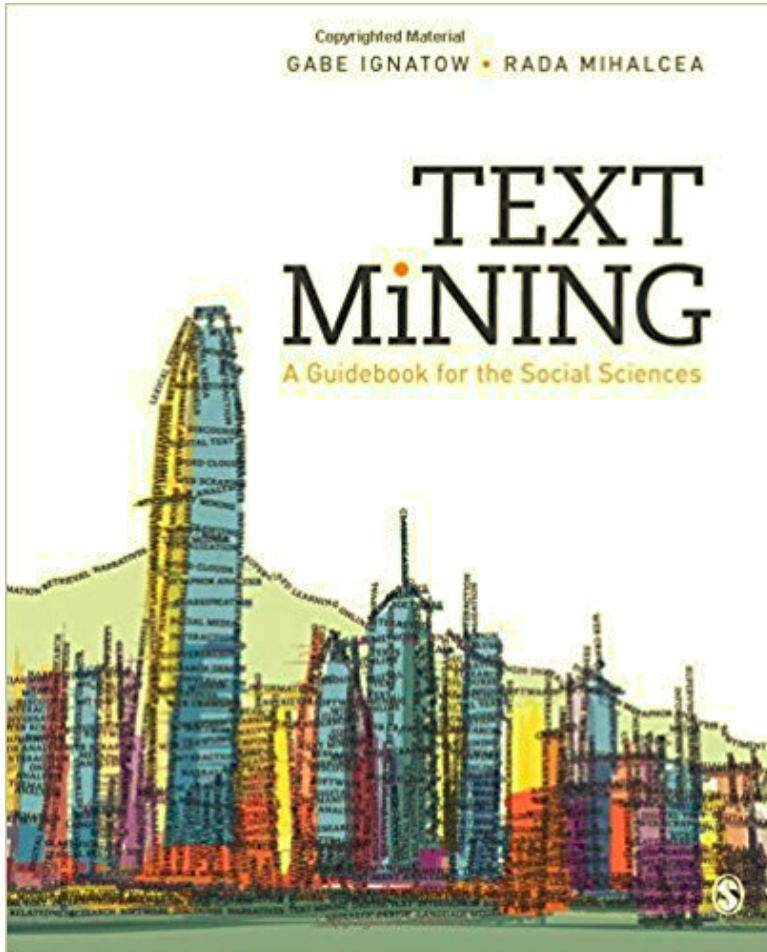
or a more balanced quantity,

$$tf(t, d) = 0.5 + \frac{0.5 \times f(t, d)}{\max\{f(t, d) : t \in d\}},$$

and inverse document frequency is

$$idf(t, D) = \log \frac{N}{|\{d \in D : t \in d\}|}.$$

Further Reading



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Workshop in RStudio

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Objective:

- Access and analyze unstructured data
- Be familiar with word clouds
- Apply R packages to do basic text mining