

Notations

- **num_topics** = k (number of topics)
- D = corpus (collection of $|D|$ documents)
- **num_docs** = $|D|$ (number of documents)
- **voc_size** = $|V|$ (vocabulary size)
- **dirich_param**: an estimate of the parameter of the dirichlet distribution which generates the parameter for the (multinomial) probability distribution over topics in the document.
 $\text{size}(\alpha) = \text{number of topics}$
- **word_prob_given_topic**: an array of size (nb topics, vocabulary size) which gives the (estimated) probability that a given topic will generate a certain word.

$$\beta_{ij} = p(w^j = 1 | z^i = 1)$$

$$\text{size}(\beta) = \text{number of topics} \times \text{vocabulary size}$$

The following variables depend on the document d .

- **doc_size** = $|N_d|$ (number of words in the document d)
- **var_dirich**: the variational parameter for the dirichlet distribution,
For a document d , $\text{size}(\gamma^{(d)}) = \text{number of topics}$
- **var_multinom**: the variational parameter for the multinomial distribution
For a document d , $\text{size}(\phi^{(d)}) = \text{number of words in document } d \times \text{number of topics}$
 $\phi_{ni}^{(d)}$ depends on the relation between the word in position n of the document and the topic i of the list of topics.
- **word_incidences**: an array containing the number of times each word in the vocabulary appears in the document.

$$\text{For a document } d, \text{size}(w^{(d)}) = \text{number of words in document } d \times \text{vocabulary size}$$

$$w_{nj}^{(d)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the word in position } n \text{ of the document is the word in position } j \text{ of the dictionary} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Algorithms

Algorithm 1: E-step for a document d

Data: `word_incidences` ($w^{(d)}$), `dirich_param` (α), `word_prob_given_topic` (β)

Result: `var_dirich` ($\gamma^{(d)}$), `var_multinom` ($\phi^{(d)}$)

Algorithm 2: M-step

Data: `{word_incidences` ($w^{(d)}$), `var_dirich` ($\gamma^{(d)}$), `var_multinom` ($\phi^{(d)}$), $d \in D$ }

Result: `dirich_param` (α), `word_prob_given_topic` (β)

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$$\beta_{ij} \propto \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{n=1}^{N_d} \phi_{ni}^{(d)} w_{nj}^{(d)}$$

Until convergence:

$$\alpha \leftarrow \alpha - H(\alpha)^{-1} g(\alpha) \text{ where } g(\alpha) = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i} \right)_i \text{ and } H(\alpha) = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \alpha_j} \right)_{ij}$$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i} = |D| \left[\Psi \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j \right) - \Psi(\alpha_i) \right] + \sum_{d \in D} \left[\Psi(\gamma_i^{(d)}) - \Psi \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \gamma_j^{(d)} \right) \right] \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \alpha_j} = \delta_{ij} |D| \Psi'(\alpha_i) - \Psi' \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j \right) \end{cases}$$

We note that $H(\alpha) = \text{diag}(h) - z z^\top$ where:

$$h = (|D| \Psi'(\alpha_i))_i \quad \text{and} \quad z = \left(\Psi' \left(\sum_{p=1}^k \alpha_p \right) \right)_{i,j}$$

$$\text{Then } (H^{-1}(\alpha) g(\alpha))_i = \frac{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_i} - c}{\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \alpha_i^2}} \text{ where } c = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \frac{\frac{\partial L}{\partial \alpha_j}}{\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \alpha_j^2}}}{z^{-1} + \sum_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \alpha_i^2} \right)^{-1}}.$$