Machine Learning

Lecture 10 - Textual data, document classification and topic models

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Lecture overview

- Text as data
- Classifying documents
- **■** Topic models
- **■** Word embeddings

Text is data

- **Digitalization**: text is becoming an important data source.
- The web, PDF documents (legal, political, medical, etc)
- Unstructured (not tables), yet structured (by language).
- Big data. 100K, 1M, 1B documents in a data set.
- Pre-processing to get data useful for statistical analysis.
- Feature construction turning text into numbers.

Text applications

- Language models (predict the next word on smartphone)
- Machine translation (Google translate)
- Document classification (Shakespeare? Spam and blog filters. harmful EULA)
- Sentiment analysis (positive/negative sentiment in tweets or financial statements)
- Information retrival (Google search)
- Part-of-speech tagging (predict grammatical category)
- Prediction models based on text.
 - Predicting financial turbulence from economic press.
 - Finding bugs from bug reports

Classifying texts - feature construction

- Data: corpus of documents, each with a label
 - ▶ Journal articles under the headings: sports, politics, culture etc
 - ▶ Financial articles: positive/negative about the economy.
- Text features from documents:
 - Presence/absence of individual words, or pairs of words
 - Number of times an individual word is used
 - Lexical diversity
 - Number of web links from document (Page Rank).

Document	has('ball')	has('political_arena')	wordlen	Lex Div	Topic
Article1	Yes	No	4.1	5.4	Sports
Article2	No	No	6.5	13.4	Sports
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ArticleN	No	Yes	7.4	11.1	News

See DocumentTermMatrix function in tm package.

Multinomial model with Dirichlet prior

- Topic model. Factorization of the Document-Term matrix.
- **Categorical counts**: $y = (y_1, ... y_C)$, where $\sum_{c=1}^{C} y_c = n$.
- y_c = number of observations in cth category. Brand choices.
- Multinomial model:

$$p(\mathbf{y}|m{ heta}) \propto \prod_{c=1}^C heta_c^{y_c}$$
 , where $\sum_{c=1}^C heta_c = 1$.

■ Dirichlet prior: $\theta \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_C)$

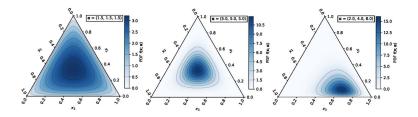
$$p(\theta) \propto \prod_{c=1}^{C} \theta_c^{\alpha_c - 1}$$
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Dirichlet prior

$$(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_C) \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_C)$$

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta_c) = \frac{\alpha_c}{\sum_{j=1}^C \alpha_j}$$

$$\mathbb{V}(\theta_c) = \frac{\mathbb{E}(\theta_c)(1 - \mathbb{E}(\theta_c))}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^C \alpha_j}$$



Uniform distribution on unit simplex: $\alpha_1=...=lpha_{\mathcal{K}}=1$.

Multinomial model with Dirichlet prior

Multinomial data with Dirichlet prior

Model: $\mathbf{n}|\boldsymbol{\theta} \sim \text{Multinomial}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$, where

 $\mathbf{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_C)$ are counts in C categories $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_C)$ are category probabilities.

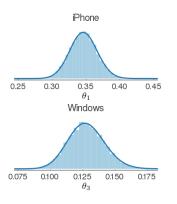
Prior: $\theta \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha)$, for $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_C)$

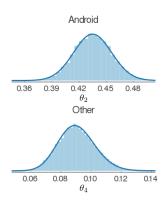
Posterior: $\theta \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha + \mathbf{n})$

Example: smartphone market shares

- Survey among 513 smartphones owners:
 - ▶ 180 used mainly an iPhone
 - ▶ 230 used mainly an Android phone
 - ▶ 62 used mainly a Windows phone
 - ▶ 41 used mainly some other mobile phone.
- Old survey: iPhone 30%, Android 30%, Windows 20%, Other 20%.
- Pr(Android has largest share | Data)
- Prior: $\alpha_1 = 15$, $\alpha_2 = 15$, $\alpha_3 = 10$ and $\alpha_4 = 10$ (prior info is equivalent to a survey with only 50 respondents)
- Posterior: $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)|y \sim Dirichlet(195, 245, 72, 51)$.
- R Notebook: Multinomial Rmd

Example: smartphone market shares



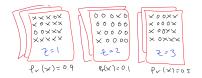


Mixture of unigrams

Let $\phi_1, \phi_2, ..., \phi_K$ be distributions over the vocabulary. Topics.

Topic	Word distr.	probabi∣ity	dna	gene	data	distribution
1	φ1	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2
2	φ2	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.0

- For each document d = 1, ..., D:
 - **1** Draw a **topic** z_d from a **topic distribution** $\theta = (\theta_1, ..., \theta_K)$.
 - **2** Given topic z_d , draw words from a word distribution ϕ_{z_d} .



- Each document belongs to exactly one topic.
- Topic models are mixed-membership models.

Simulating documents from a topic model

- Assume that we have:
 - A fixed vocabulary V
 - ▶ D documents
 - N words in each document
 - K topics
- **1** For each topic (k = 1, ..., K):
 - a. Draw a distribution over the words $\phi_k \sim \textit{Dir}(\eta, \eta, ..., \eta)$
- **2** For each document (d = 1, ..., D):
 - a. Draw a vector of topic proportions $\theta_d \sim Dir(\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_K)$
 - b. For each word (i = 1, ..., N):
 - i. Draw a topic assignment $z_{di} \sim \mathrm{Categorical}(\theta_d)$
 - ii. Draw a word $w_{di} \sim \mathrm{Categorical}(\phi_{z_{di}})$

Example - simulation from two topics

Topic	Word distr.	probability	dna	gene	data	distribution
1	ϕ_{1}	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2
2	φ2	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.0

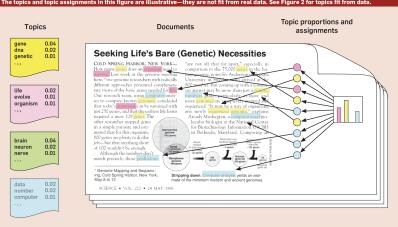
Doc 1		$\theta_{\pmb{1}}=(\textbf{0}.\textbf{2},\textbf{0}.\textbf{8})$			
		Word 1:	Topic=2	Word='gene'	
		Word 2:	Topic=2	Word='gene'	
		Word 3:	Topic=1	Word='data'	
Doc 2		$\theta_{\boldsymbol{2}} = (\textbf{0}.\textbf{9}, \textbf{0}.\boldsymbol{1})$			
		Word 1:	Topic=1	Word='probability'	
		Word 2:	Topic=1	Word='data'	
		Word 3:	Topic=1	Word='probability'	
Doc 3		$\theta_{2} = (\textbf{0.5}, \textbf{0.5})$			
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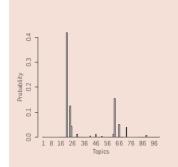
Example from Science (Blei, review paper)

Figure 1. The intuitions behind latent Dirichlet allocation. We assume that some number of "topics," which are distributions over words, exist for the whole collection (far left), Each document is assumed to be generated as follows. First choose a distribution over the topics (the histogram at right); then, for each word, choose a topic assignment (the colored coins) and choose the word from the corresponding topic. The topics and topic assignments in this figure are illustrative—they are not fit from real data. See Figure 2 for topics fit from data.



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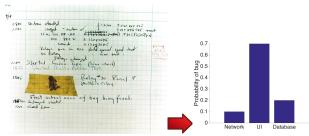
Figure 2. Real inference with LDA. We fit a 100-topic LDA model to 17,000 articles from the journal Science. At left are the inferred topic proportions for the example article in Figure 1. At right are the top 15 most frequent words from the most frequent topics found in this article.



"Genetics"	"Evolution"	"Disease"	"Computers"
human	evolution	disease	computer
genome	evolutionary	host	models
dna	species	bacteria	information
genetic	organisms	diseases	data
genes	life	resistance	computers
sequence	origin	bacterial	system
gene	biology	new	network
molecular	groups	strains	systems
sequencing	phylogenetic	control	model
map	living	infectious	parallel
information	diversity	malaria	methods
genetics	group	parasite	networks
mapping	new	parasites	software
project	two	united	new
sequences	common	tuberculosis	simulations

Predicting bug location from bug reports





Three datasets

Dataset	No. Bug reports	No. classes	Vocabulary size
Mozilla	15,000	118	3505
Eclipse	15,000	49	3367
Telecom	9,778	26	5286

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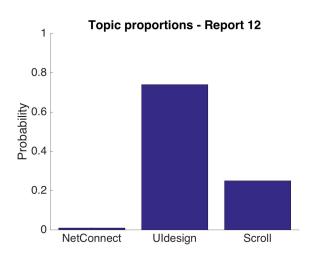
From Jonsson et al (2016). Automatic Localization of Bugs to Faulty Components in Large Scale Software Systems Using Bayesian Classification.

Topics ϕ_k

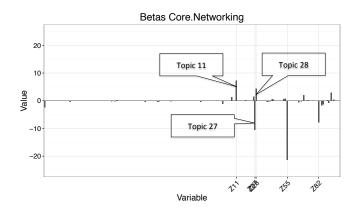
Automatically summarize a bug report by topics.

Topic	Topic label	Top 10 words in topic
11	HTTP	proxy server http network connec-
		tion request connect error www
		host
27	Layout	div style px background color bor-
		der css width height element html
28	Connection	http cache accept en public local-
	Headers	host gmt max modified alive
55	Search	search google bar results box type
		find engine enter text
82	Scrolling	scroll page scrolling mouse scroll-
		bar bar left bottom click content

Topic proportions θ_d



Multi-class logistic regression on topics



Word embeddings

- Represents word with dense numeric vectors in \mathbb{R}^p with typically $p \in [100,1000]$.
- Much more compact representation than one-hot word vectors.
- Cosine similarity between vectors u and v

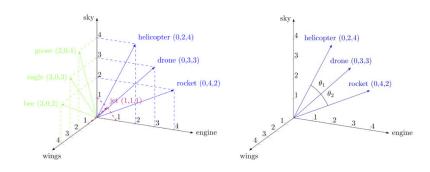
$$\cos\theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

- Neighboring words ($\cos \theta$ small) have similar meanings.
- 'You shall know a word by the company it keeps!'
- Learn relations between words by surrounding words in text.
- Vector addition and subtraction makes sense:

$$\mathsf{King} - \mathsf{Man} + \mathsf{Woman} \approx \mathsf{Queen}$$

Word2Vec: learn embeddings by shallow neural networks.

Word embeddings - toy example



From Guillaume Desagulier, "Word embeddings: the (very) basics," in Around the word, 25/04/2018, https://corpling.hypotheses.org/495.