

Applying Dynamic Embeddings in Natural Language Processing to Analyze Text

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Skills and qualifications matter in job descriptions

Same title,
Different job

Finance Manager Kraft Foods

Junior (3 Years)

No Managerial Experience

Finance Manager Roche

Senior (6-8 Years)

Division Level Controller

Strategic Finance Role

MBA / CPA

 **Same Title**

 Required Experience

 Required Responsibility

 Preferred Skill

 Required Education

Different title,
Same job

Performance Marketing Manager PocketGems

Mid-Level

Quantitative Focus

iBanking Expertise

Data Analysis Tools (SQL)

Consulting Experience Preferred

MBA Preferred

Senior Analyst, Customer Strategy The Gap

Mid-Level

Quantitative Focus

Finance Expertise

Relational Database Experience

External Consulting Experience Preferred

BA in Accounting, Finance, MBA Preferred

 **Required Experience**

 **Required Skills**

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 **Preferred Education**

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Job Sync Similar Jobs Draft Large Candidate Pool Search Account

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24 Job will perform poorly

This job scores lower than 89% of Programming jobs in New York City, NY

Adding "Software" to the title will help up to 70% more candidates find this job.

- report to
- Perks included
- Equal opportunity statement is included

Neutral Gendered

Senior + Engineer +

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\$102,100 BETA
\$84,400 \$137,500

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- Point of contact for chef workflow improvements
- Writing new tools / microservices to better manage bootstrapping and lifecycle of the 10K+ server global infrastructure
- Coordinate services across teams to better facilitate a unified view of hardware
- Helping support a large Mesos cluster
- Developing new solutions for consuming proprietary data in order to improve insight into failure rates and component performance

What We'll Expect From You:

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What are distinguishing characteristics of successful career documents?

NLP and Data Science:

- What are distinguishing characteristics of successful career documents?
- **What skills are increasingly important for different industries?**
Calibrating labor supply and demand

Decision Science:

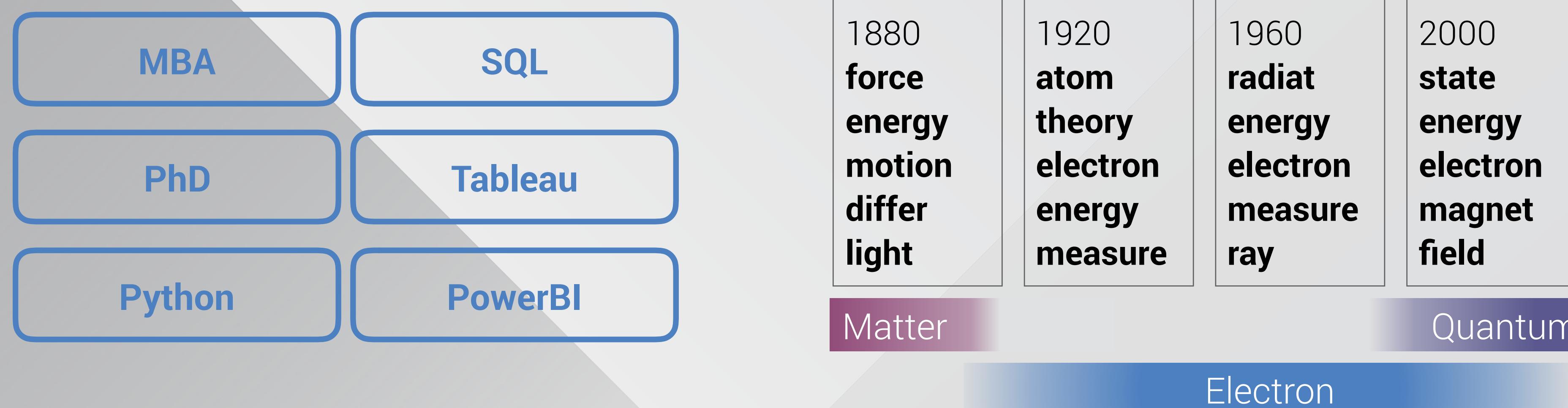
- How do candidates make decisions about which jobs to apply to?
- How do hiring teams make decisions about candidate qualifications?



How have data science skills
changed over the last few years?

Strategies to identify changes among corpora

Traditional approaches do not capture syntactic and semantic shifts



Manual Feature Extraction

Require selection of key attributes, therefore difficult to discover new attributes

Dynamic Topic Models

Require experimentation with topic number

Adapted from Blei and Lafferty, [ICML 2006](#).

Word embeddings use context to extract meaning

Statistical modeling through software (e.g. SPSS) or programming language (e.g. **Python**)

Context

Word

Experience in **Python**, Java or other object-oriented programming languages

Context

Word

Context

Proficiency programming in **Python**, Java or C++.

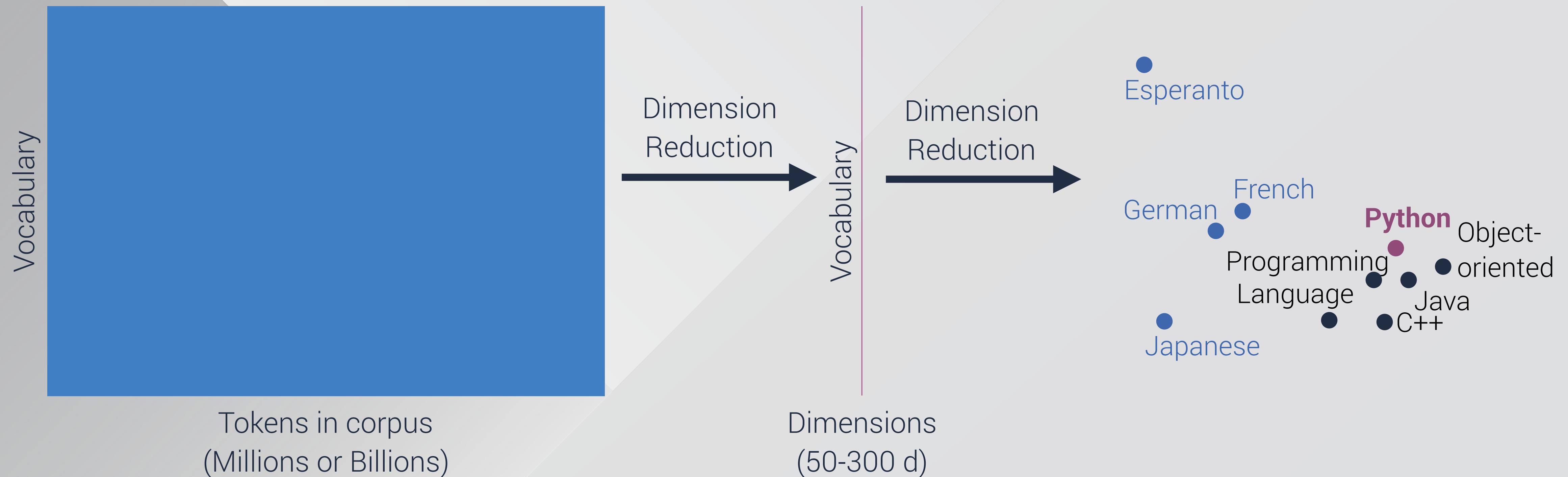
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Word

Context

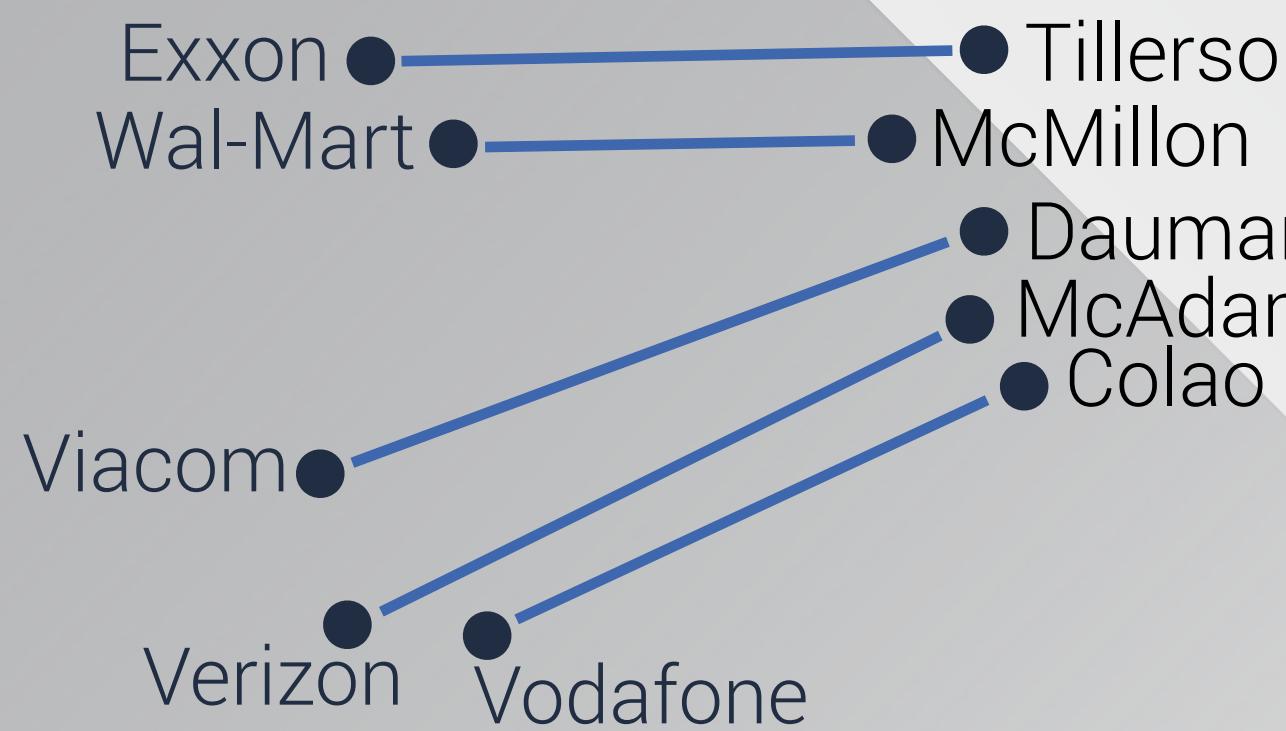
A simplified representation of word embeddings

Dimension reduction is key to all types of embeddings models

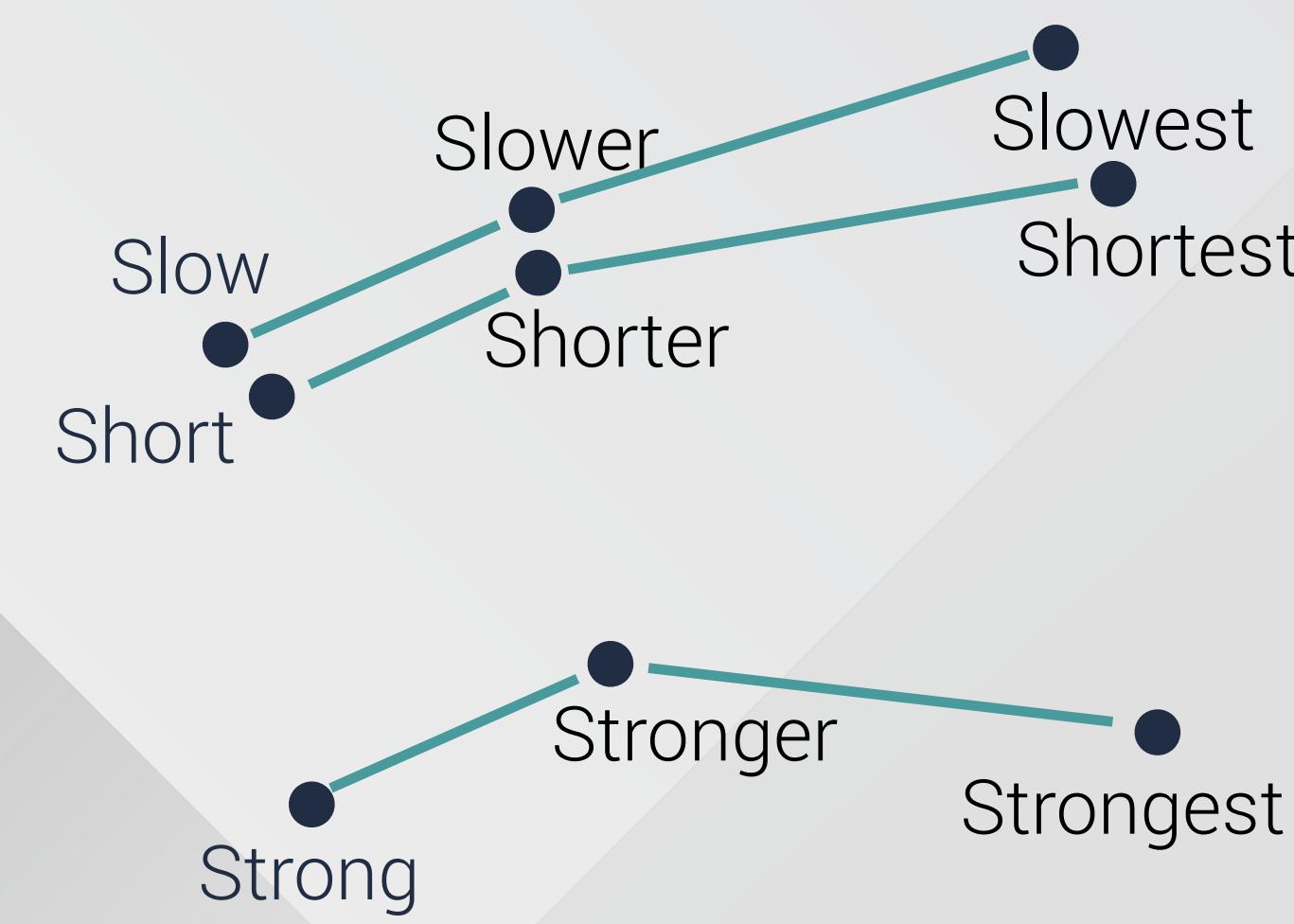


Word embeddings capture entity relationships

Dimensionality enables comparison between word pairs along many axes



Hierarchies



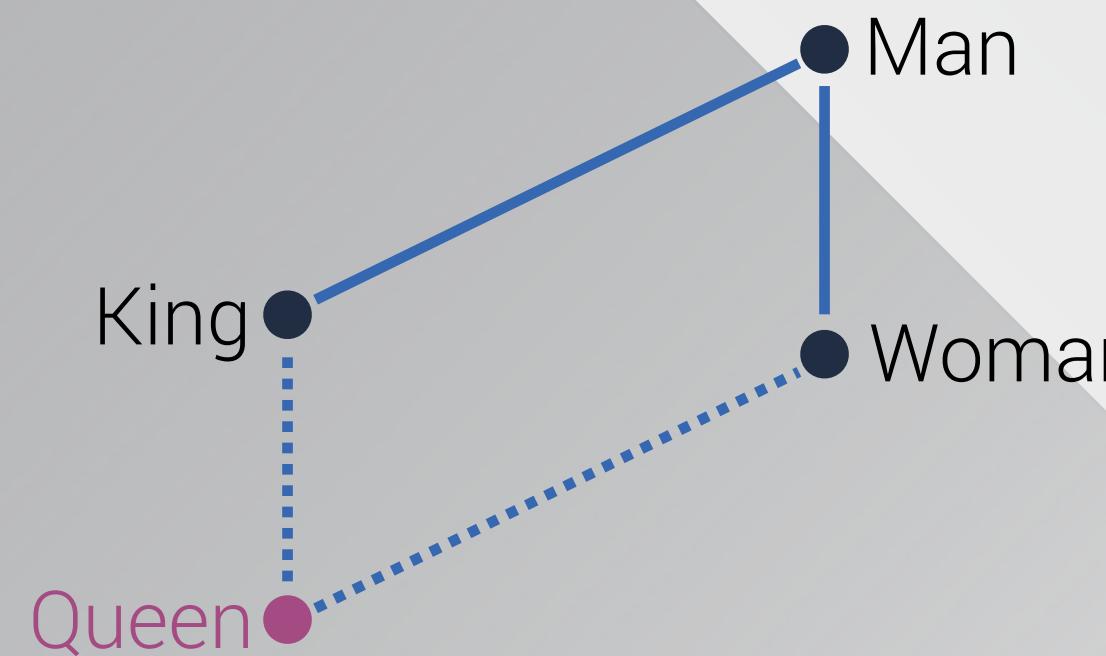
Comparatives and Superlatives



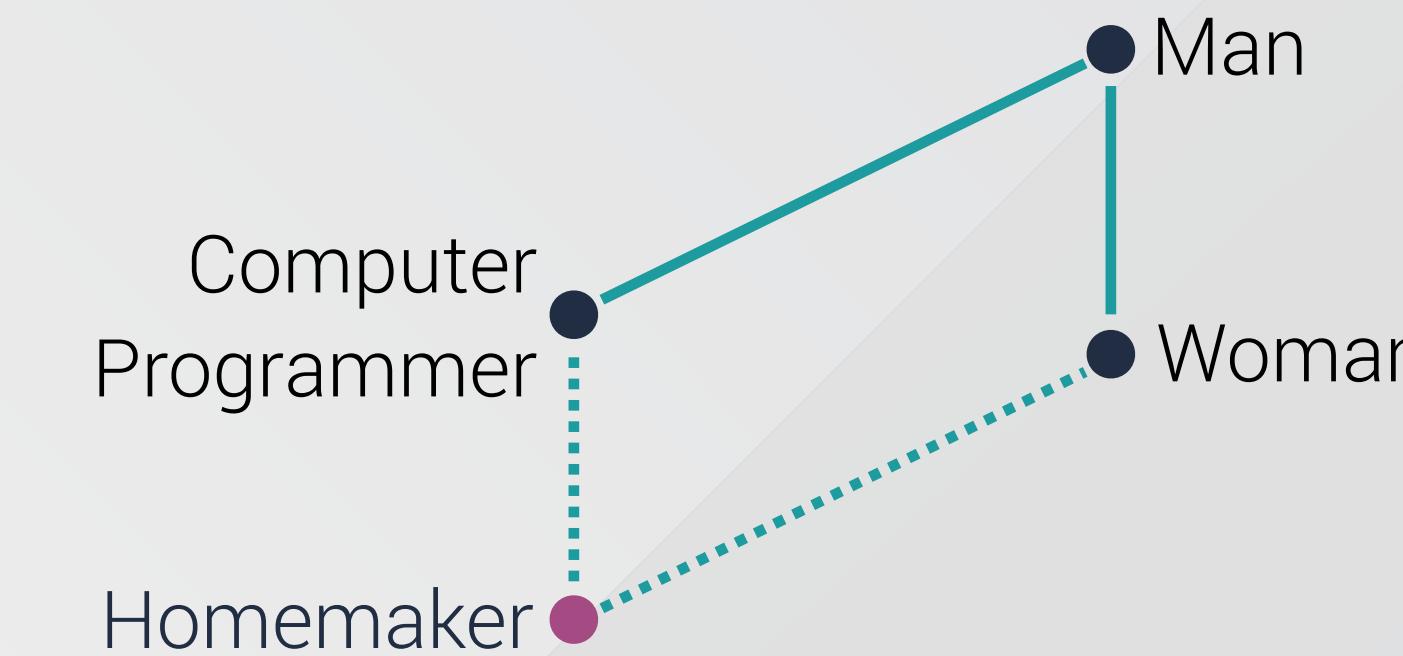
Man :: King as Woman :: ?

Word embeddings reflect cultural bias in corpora

High dimensionality enables some bias reduction



Man :: King as Woman :: ?



Man :: Programmer as Woman :: ?

Adapted from Bolukbasi et al., arXiv: 1607:06520.

Pretrained word embeddings enable fast prototyping

| | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Corpus Generation | Corpus Tokens | Twitter 27 B | Common Crawl 42-840 B | GoogleNews 100 B | Wikipedia 6 B |
| Corpus Processing | Vocabulary Size | 1.2 M | 1.9-2.2 M | 3 M | 400 k |
| Language Model Generation | Algorithm | GLoVE | GLoVE | word2vec | GLoVE |
| | Vector Length | 25 - 200 d | 300 d | 300 d | 50 - 300 d |
| Language Model Tuning | | | | | |
| Final Application | | | | | |

Drawbacks of pretrained word embeddings

Casing

Abbreviations vs Words
e.g. IT vs it

Out of Vocabulary Words

Domain Specific Words & Acronyms

Polysemy

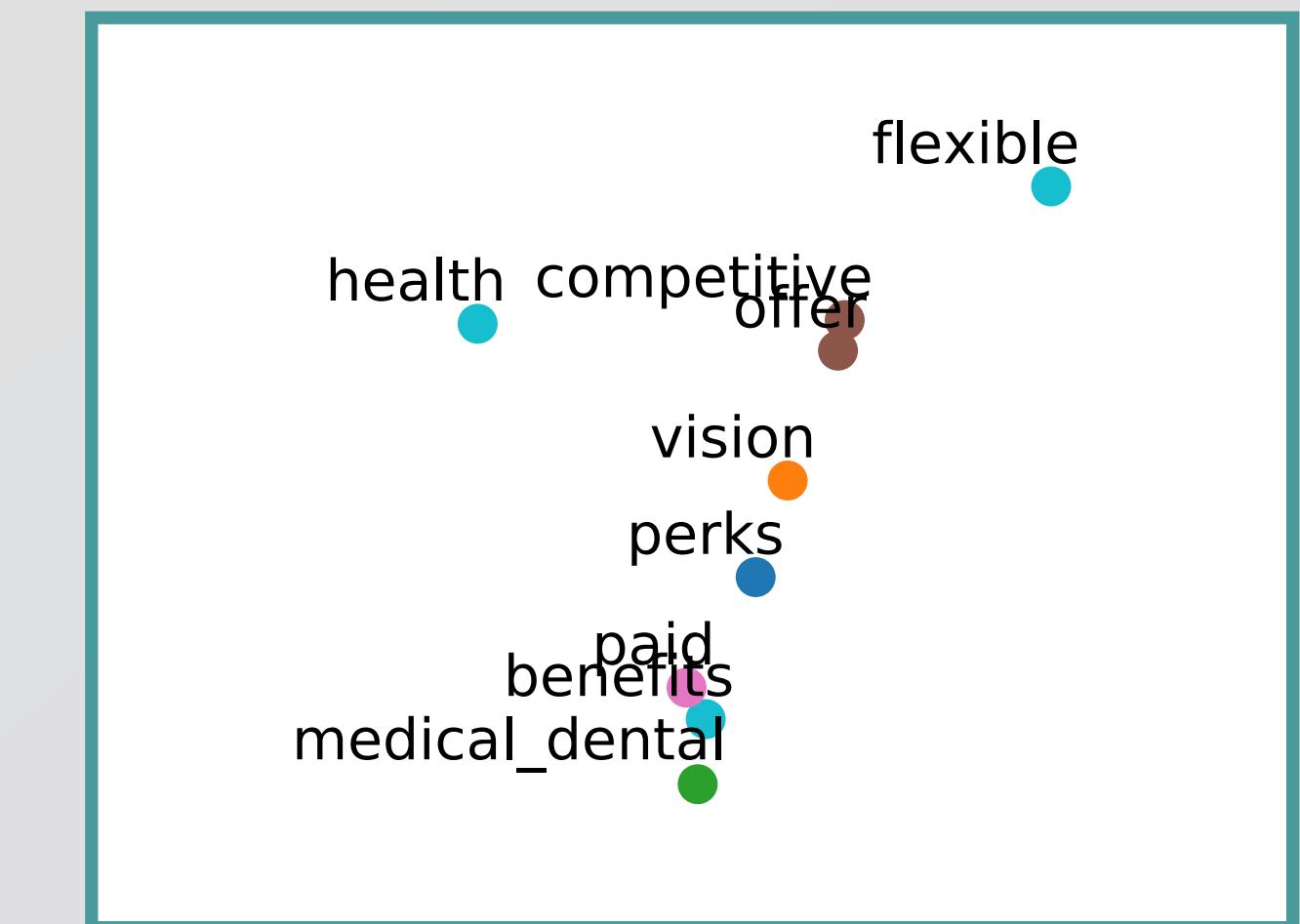
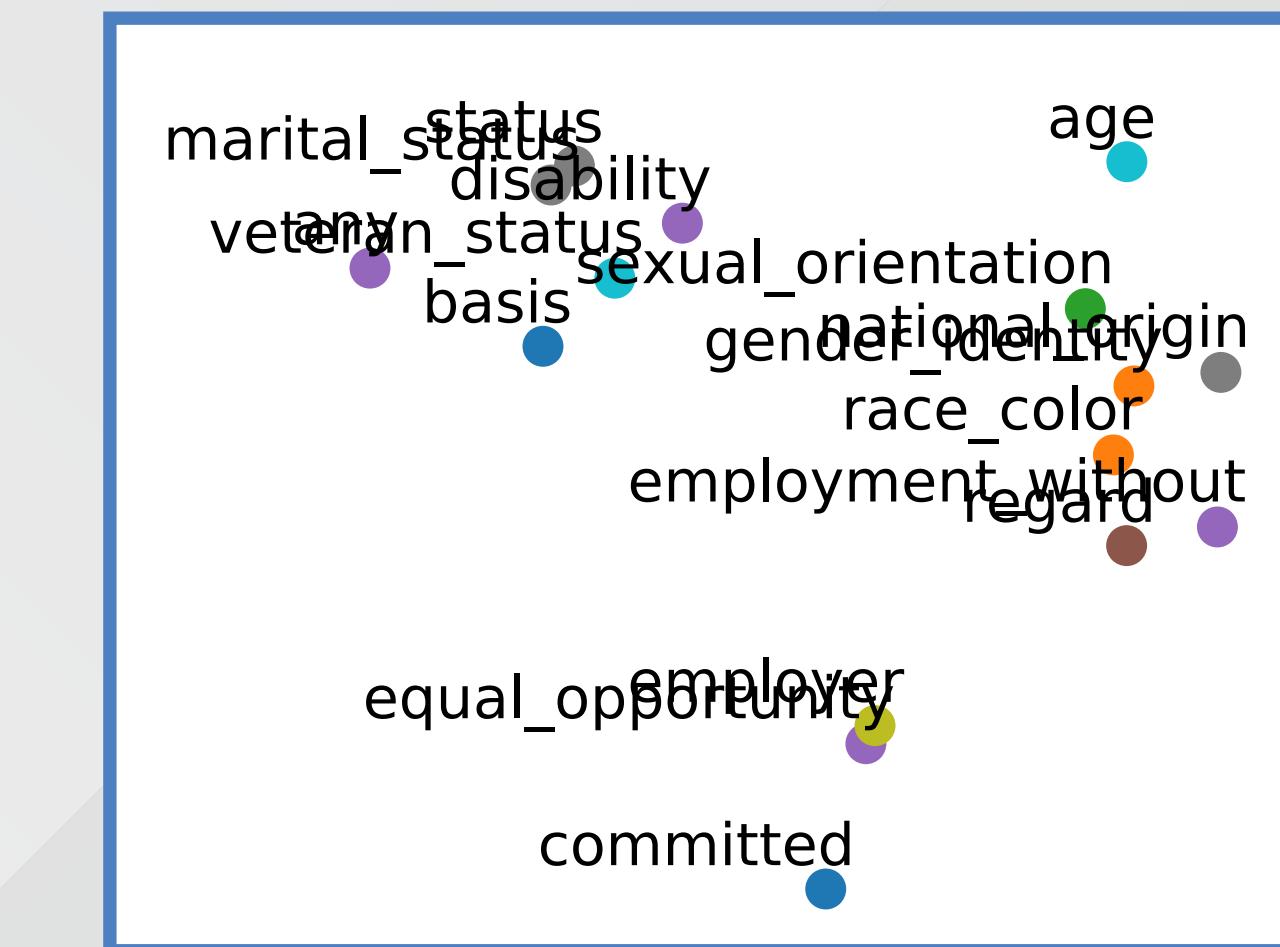
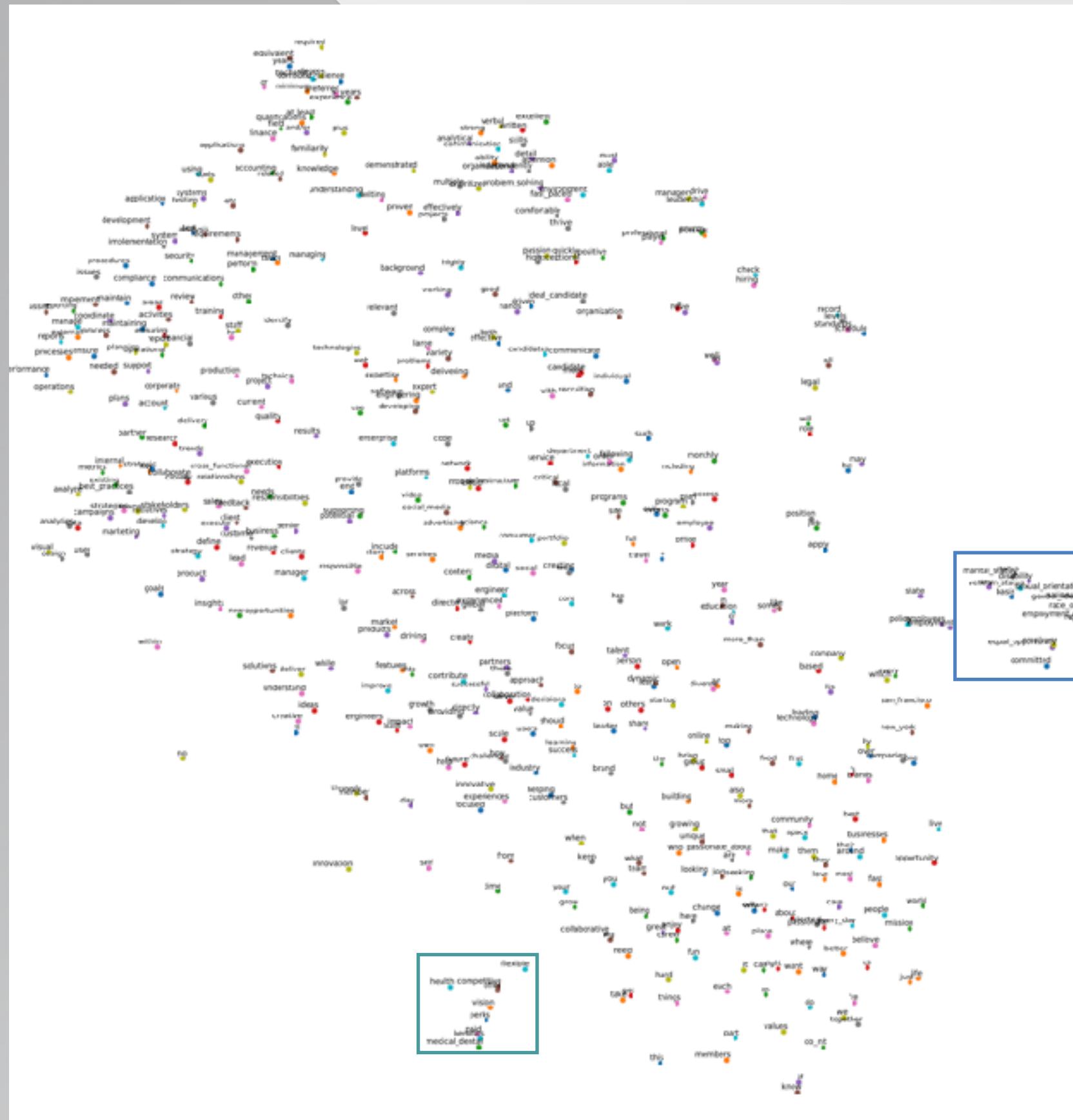
Words with multiple meanings
e.g. drive (a car) vs drive (results)
e.g. Chef (the job) vs Chef (the language)

Multi-word Expressions

Phrases that have new meanings
e.g. Front-end vs front + end

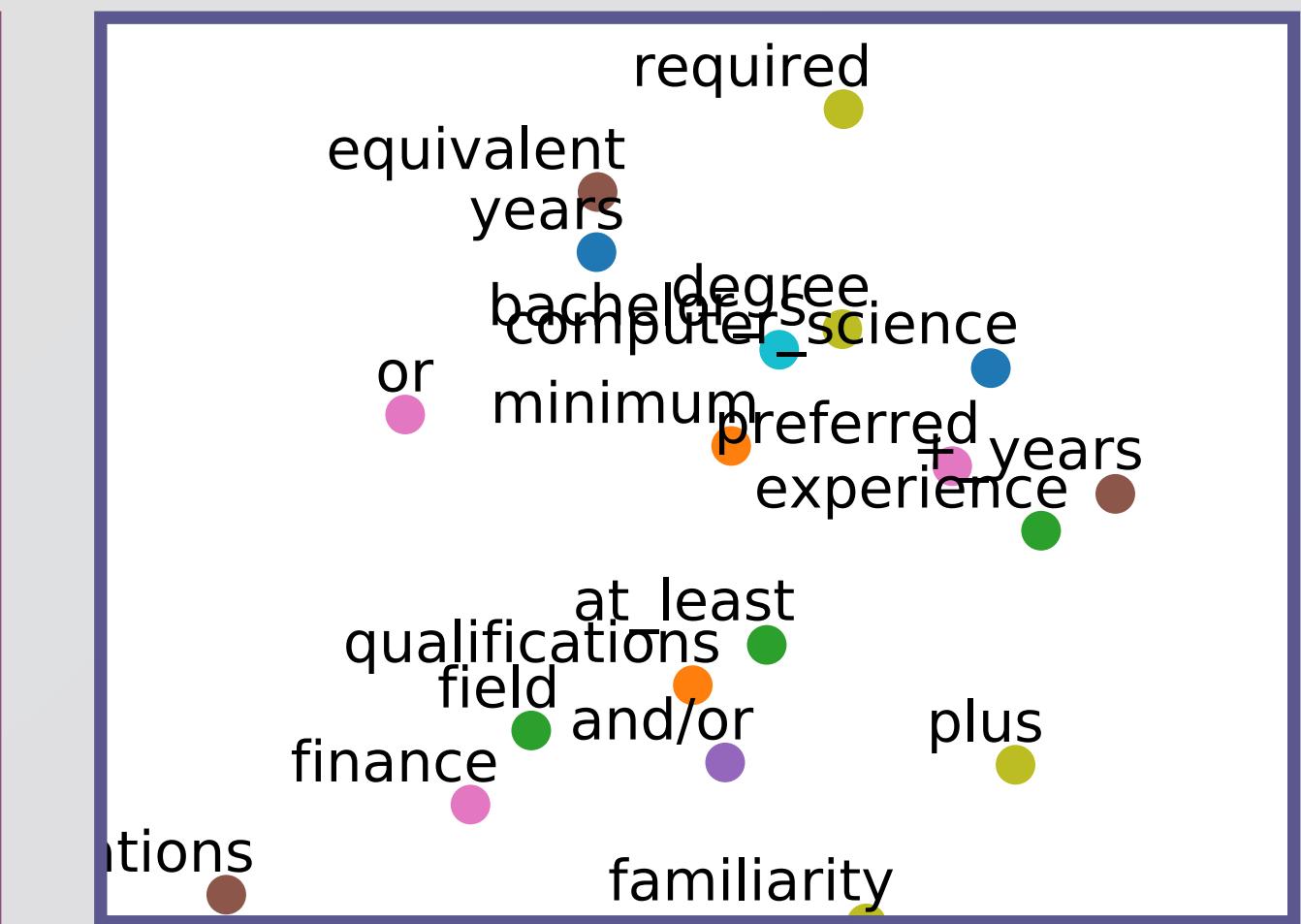
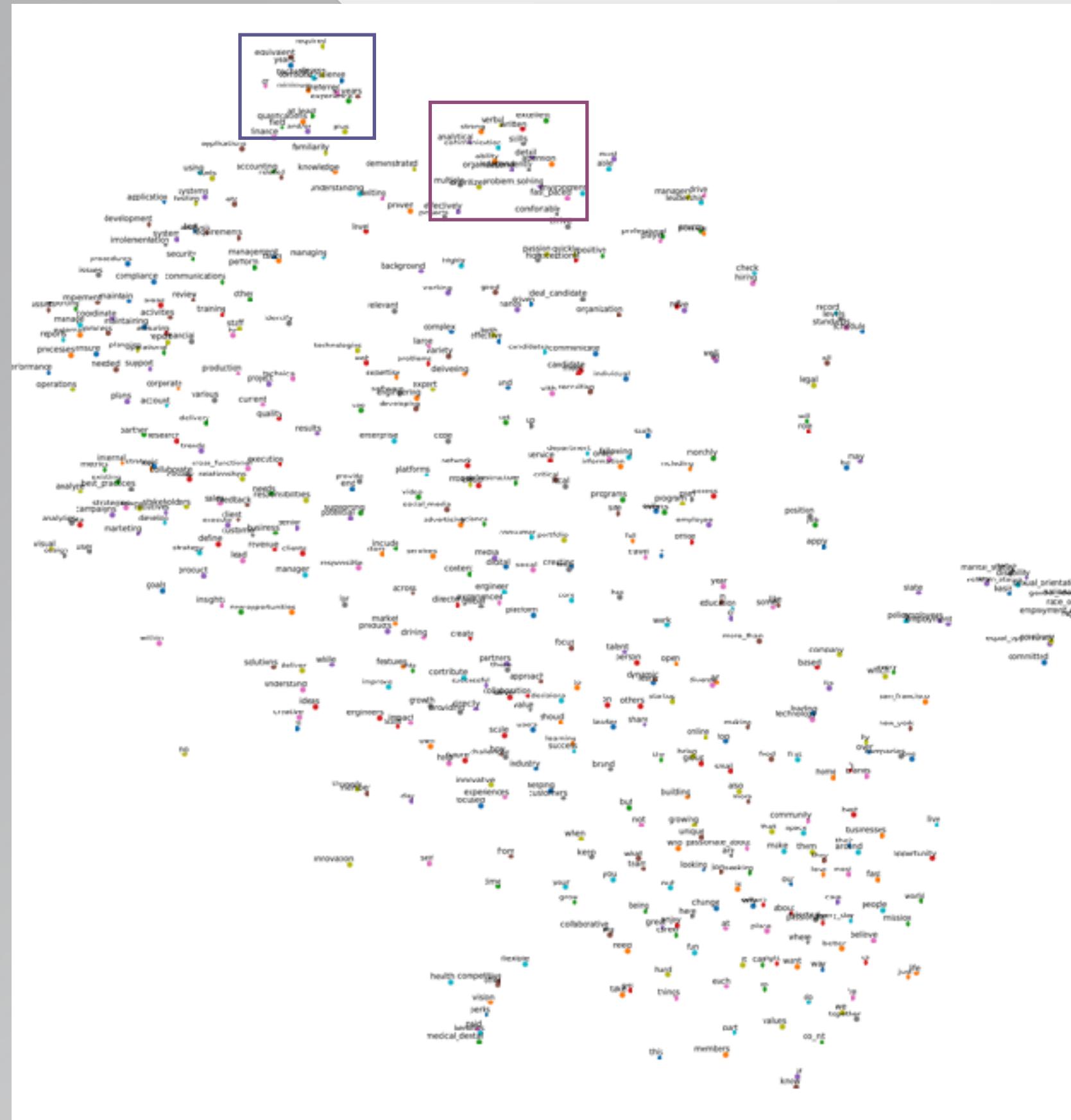
Career language embedding model

Identified equal opportunity and perks language



Career language embedding model

Identified 'soft' skills and language around experience

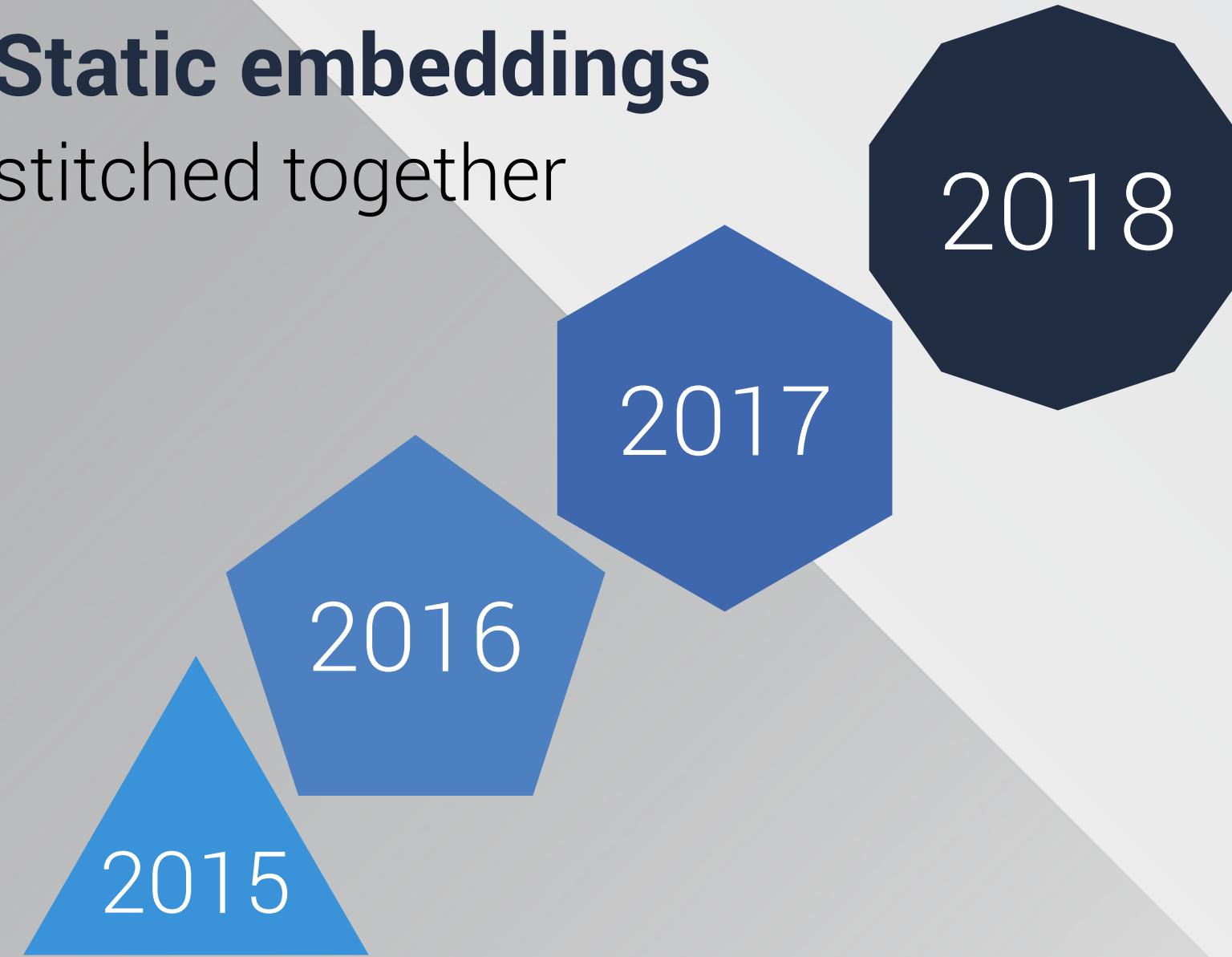


I've got 300 dimensions...
but time ain't one

Two approaches to connect embeddings

Static embeddings

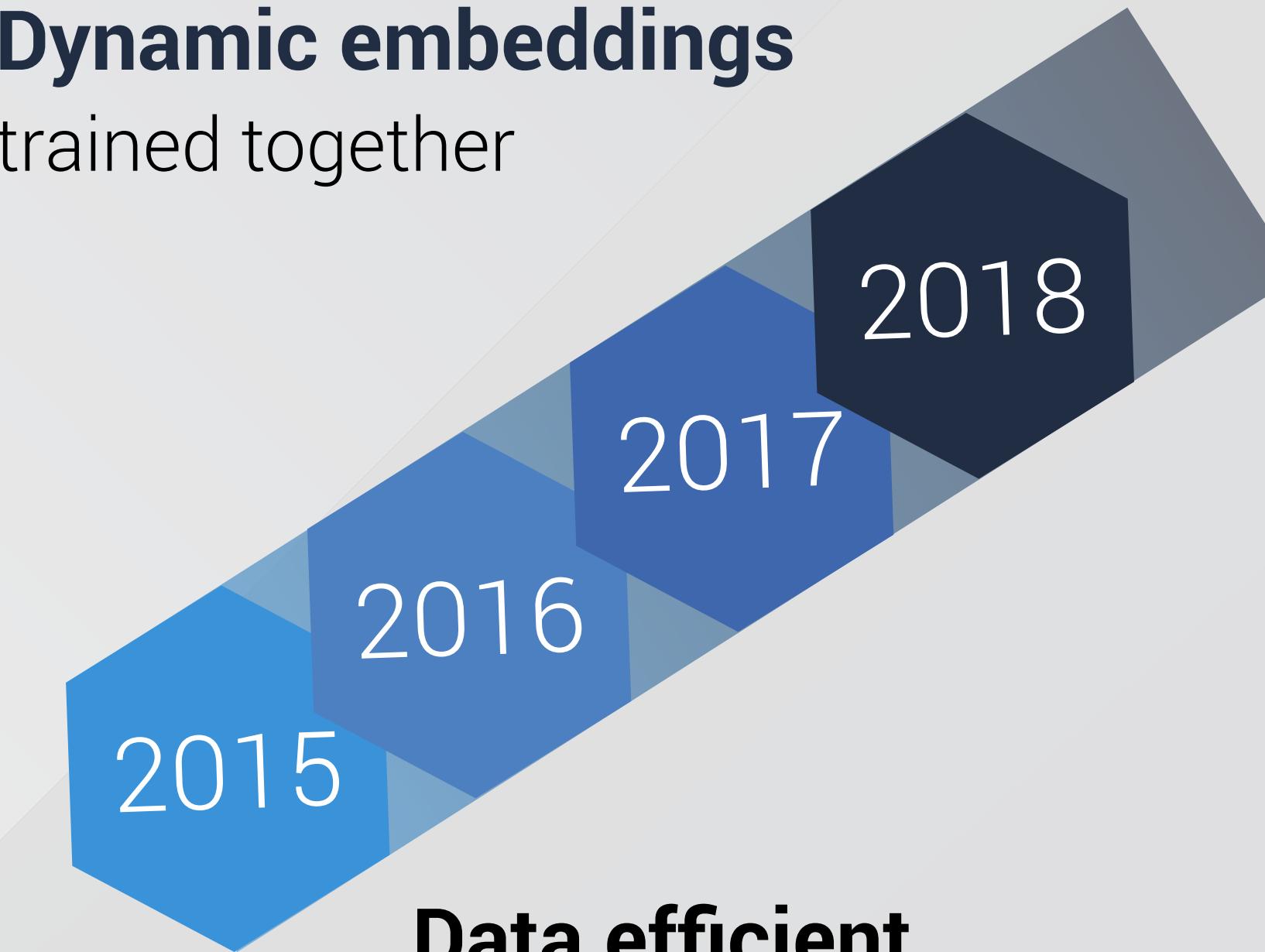
stitched together



Data hungry
Requires alignment

Dynamic embeddings

trained together



Data efficient
Does not require alignment

Kim, Chiu, Kaneki, Hedge and Petrov, [arXiv: 1405:3515](#).

Kulkarni, Al-Rfou, Perozzi and Skiena, [arXiv: 1411:3315](#).

Balmer and Mandt, [arXiv: 1702:08359](#)

Yao, Sun, Ding, Rao and Xiong, [arXiv: 1703:00607](#)

Rudolph and Blei, [arXiv: 1703:08052](#)

Dynamic Bernoulli embeddings

Outputs facilitate quick analysis of trends

Absolute drift

Identifies top words whose usage changes over time course

| words with largest drift (Senate) | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|-----------------|------|
| IRAQ | 3.09 | coin | 2.39 |
| tax cuts | 2.84 | social security | 2.38 |
| health care | 2.62 | FINE | 2.38 |
| energy | 2.55 | signal | 2.38 |
| medicare | 2.55 | program | 2.36 |
| DISCIPLINE | 2.44 | moves | 2.35 |
| text | 2.41 | credit | 2.34 |
| VALUES | 2.40 | UNEMPLOYMENT | 2.34 |

Embedding neighborhoods

Extract semantic changes by nearest neighbors of drifting words

| UNEMPLOYMENT | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1858 | 1940 | 2000 |
| unemployment | unemployment | unemployment |
| unemployed | unemployed | jobless |
| depression | depression | rate |
| acute | alleviating | depression |
| deplorable | destitution | forecasts |
| alleviating | acute | crate |
| destitution | reemployment | upward |
| urban | deplorable | lag |
| employment | employment | economists |
| distressing | distress | predict |

Repository Link: http://bit.ly/dyn_bern_emb

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Experiments with dynamic embeddings

Small Corpus

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Job Types | All US Jobs |
| Time Slices | 3 (2016-2018) |
| Number of Documents | 50 k |
| Vocabulary Size | 10 k |
| Data Preprocessing | Basic |
| Embedding Dimensions | 100 d |

Small corpus identified MBAs and PhDs

Reduced requirement for advanced degrees in many jobs

Demand for MBAs is Falling in US Roles

MBAs in All Jobs
-35%

MBAs in DS Jobs
-15%

MBAs in Tech Jobs
+30%

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Data Viz is up in lots of different roles

Demand for Data Visualization tools is up

Tableau

+20%

PowerBI

+100%

Data Viz growth in US Non-DS Roles

Data Viz in DS Jobs

+30%

Data Viz in Other Jobs

+90%

and UK Non-DS Roles

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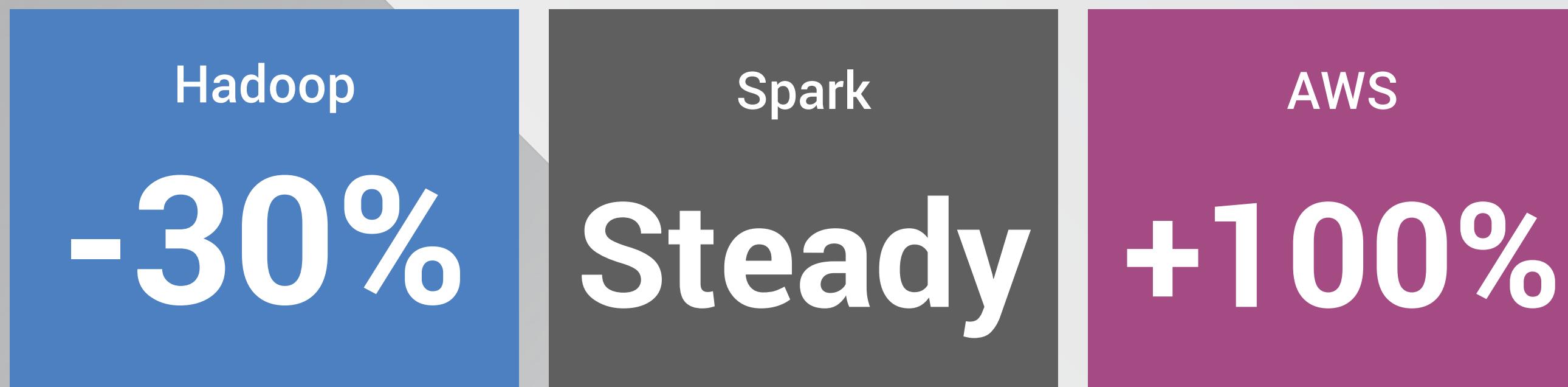
+200%

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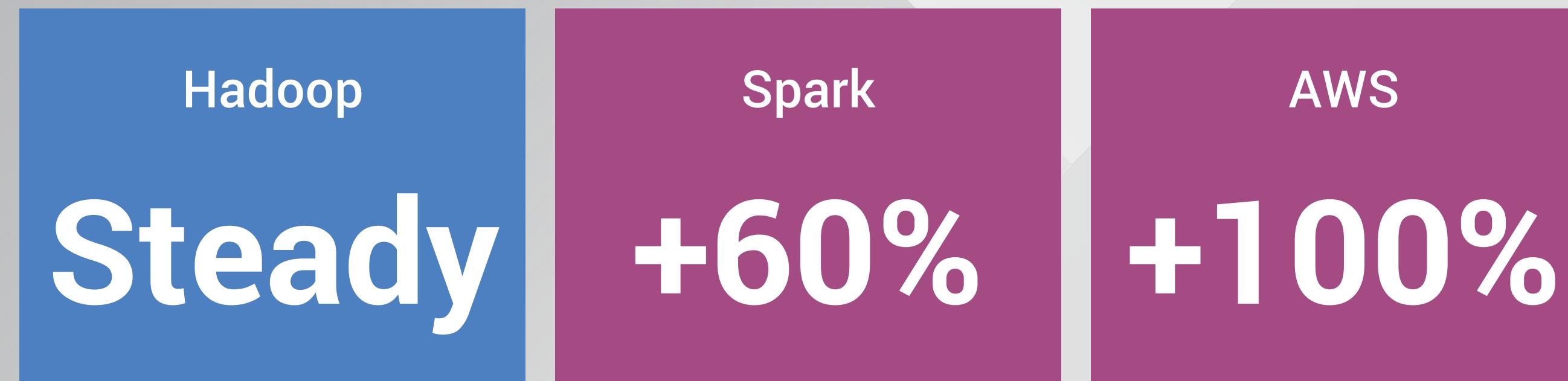
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Demand for Hadoop (but not Spark) is down in Data Science jobs

Data Science Jobs



Tech Jobs (non-DS)



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Battle of the languages: Supply vs Demand

Demand for Perl is down in Data Science Roles

Perl
-40%

Python
Steady

Java
-60%



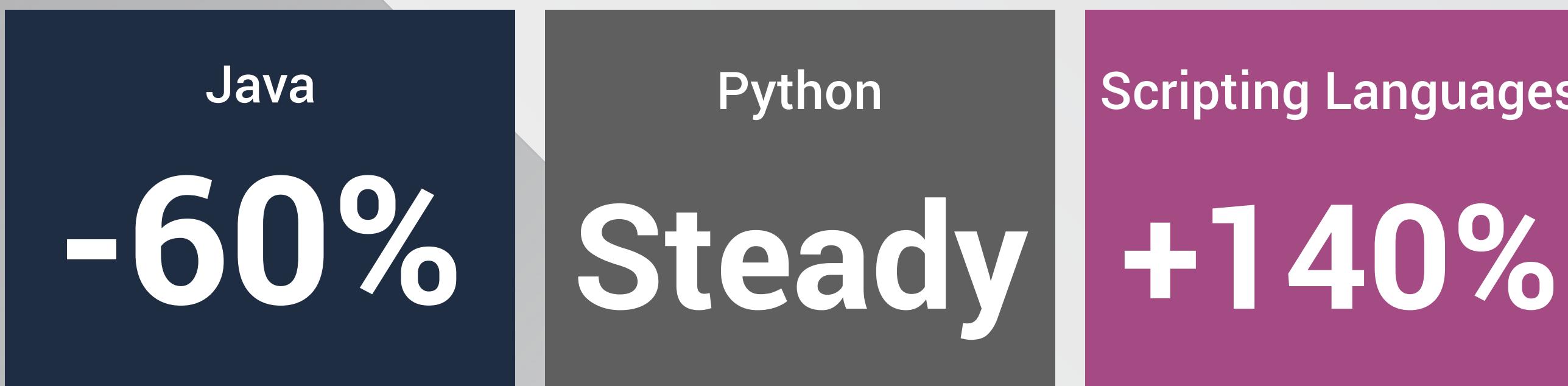
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Scripting Languages absorbing changes

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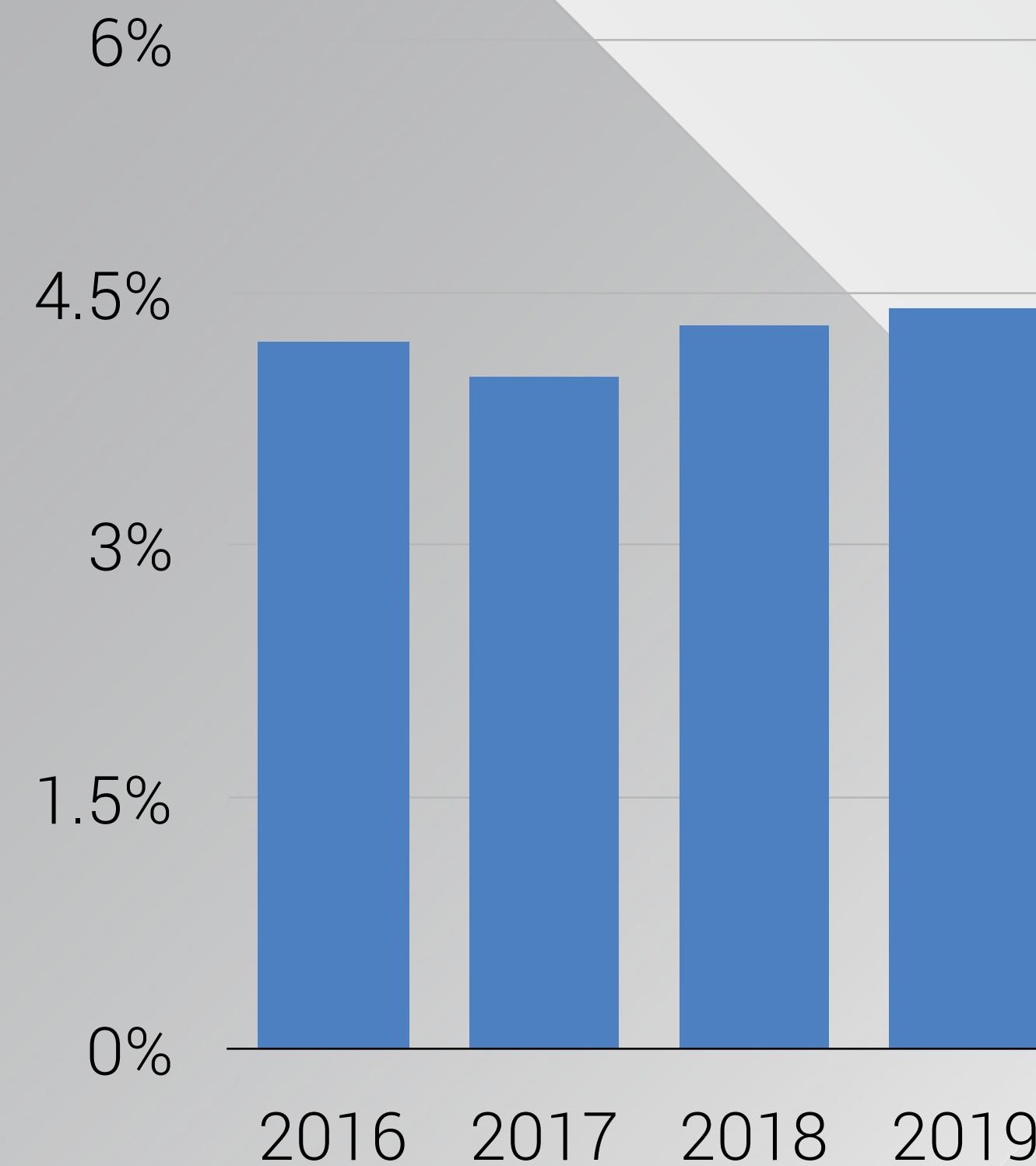
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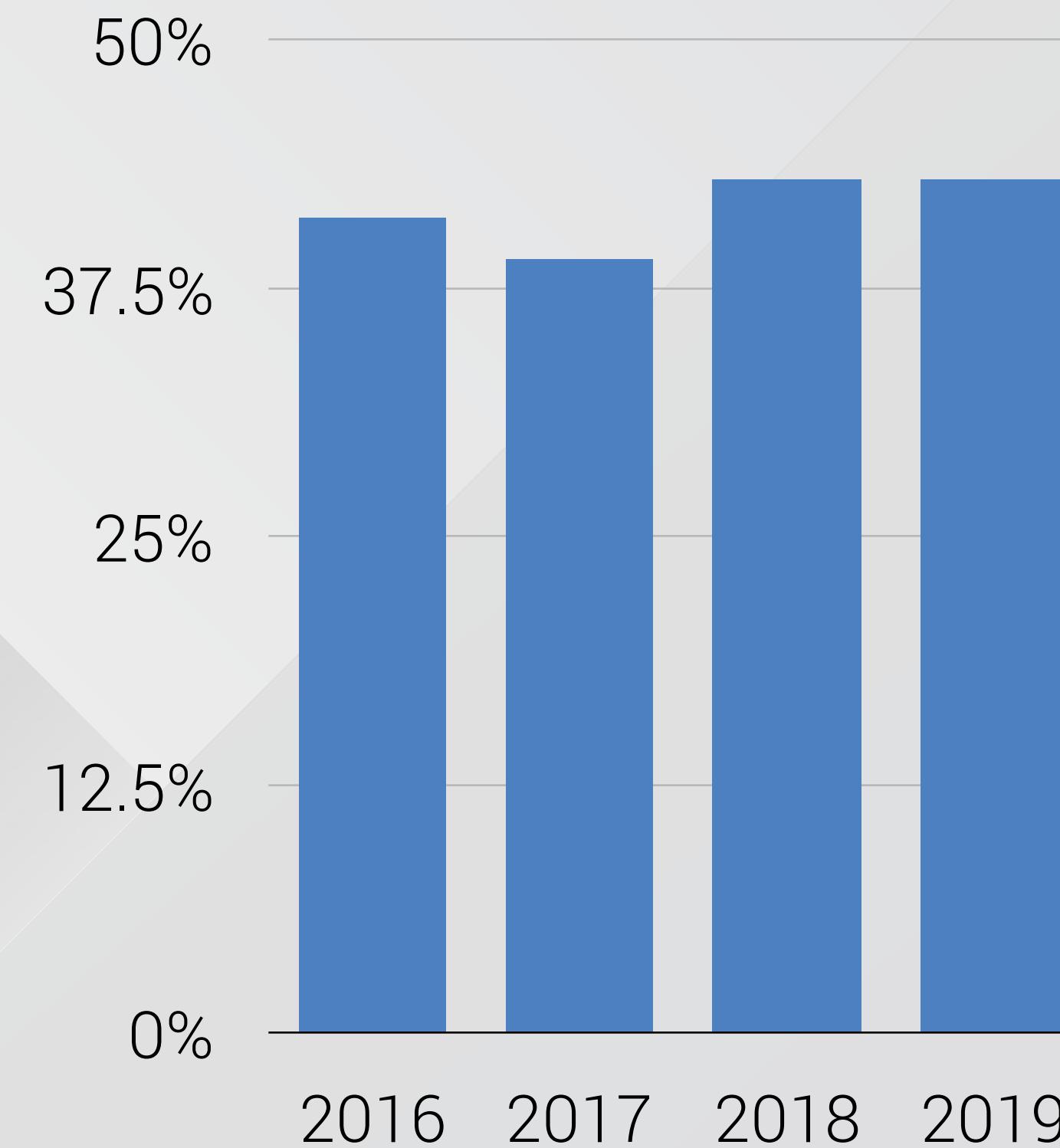
Large corpus identified SQL as a top drifting word

But no difference in demand for SQL in jobs

All Jobs



Data Science & Tech Jobs



Large corpus identified SQL as a top drifting word

Large corpus identified role-type dependent shifts in requirements

SQL requirement increases in specific functions



Beyond word2vec

- Flavors of static word embeddings: The Corpus Issue
- Considerations for developing custom embedding models
- Dynamic Embeddings are robust with small datasets

How have tech and data science skills changed?

- Demand for MBAs and PhDs is falling
- Core Skills: DataViz & Scripting Languages
- Commodification of distributed systems impacts demand for Hadoop
- Demand for SQL in a variety of core business functions

Thank you Rev2!

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