

# Social Topic Distributions

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## Overview

- 1. Data structure
- 2. Preprocessing
- 3. Statistics of the dataset
- 4. Fine-tuning GloVe Embeddings
- 5. Next Tasks for the next 2 weeks



### 1. Data Structure

- Json files that contain some number of articles from a social media website
  - A number of comments for each article
- Relevance flag: 1 or 0

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"article_link": "https://medium.com/@johnroulac/oxford-study-attacks-regenerative-ag-monsanto-ally-2986ee9918c4",
"resource_type": "blog".
"article_title":"",
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"article_id": "13341879933_10155409284844934",
"search_query": "organic consumers",
"article_text": "Supposed climate independent food research group claims grass-fed beef and CAFOs have the same climate impacts
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"comments":[ =
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      "comment_text": Big Ag has strong influential power due to money unfortunately...",
      "comment_id": "10155409284844934_10155410227019934",
      "comment_rating":0,
      "comment_time": "2017-11-04 21:03:05",
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         "comment_author_id": "917663604962089"
         "comment_author_name": "Hannah Bessell"
      "processed_comment_text": "Big Aq has strong influential power due to money unfortunately.",
      "custom_processed_comment_text": "big ag strong influential power due money unfortunately"
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"article_author":[ =
"relevant":1
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# 2. Preprocessing

- → Spelling Corrections(it cannot detect all of the spelling errors)
- → Contractions(can't ---> cannot)
- → Language Curation
  - ◆ There are Hindi and English comments(though most of hindi ones are removed)
- → Some social terms are replaced(btw ---> by the way)

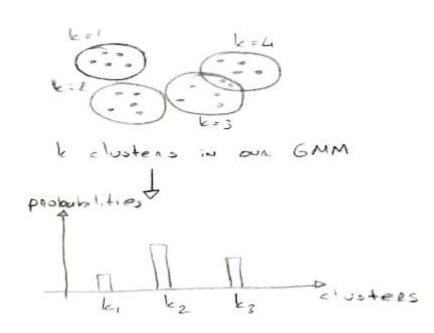


# 2. Preprocessing

- → Lemmatization
- → Stopword and punctuation removal

#### 2 main ideas:

- 1. Syntactic and semantic features aren't musts for us.
  - a. No topic labeling -- Probability distributions
- 2. Reducing the vocabulary size, more specifically oov words.





## 3. Statistics of the datasets

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- Quora has balanced user distribution
- 4 datasets without comments
- 1 dataset without article

Data set		# of articles	# of articles with comments	# of answering user comments	# of all user comments	
Facebook Food Babe		5,013	4,705	298,996	299,126	
		Food Babe	15	15	3,944	3,944
Bia	sed	Food Revolution	78	60	2,966	2,966
		Organic Authority	66	0	0	0
		Organic Consumers	64	0	0	0
	Forum	Cafe Mom	86	85	1,962	1,983
		Disqus	36	36	6,150	7,984
		Quora	567	523	4,196	9,591
		Reddit	81	78	2,371	9,291
		US Message Board	0	0	0	78,044
Unbiased	News sites	Chicago Tribune	2,283	78	281	281
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		LA Times	1,522	77	374	374
		NY Post	106	0	0	0
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		Washington Post	1,563	943	84,669	84,669



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Rare words examples: 'lettuse', 'qoxt3iyqip', 'featherweight', 'cafeviennachicago', 'والخنازير', 'farmhaus'



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### Fine-tuning:

- 1. Load pre-embeddings
- 2. Build co-occurrence matrix:
  - a. Compute word list and find oov's
  - b. Construct a corpus from the word list
  - c. Compute the co-occurrence matrix based on the corpus with batches of oov's
- 3. Train new embeddings using the co-occurrence matrix, pre-embeddings and oov's





### 3. Next Tasks

- Figure out how to connect to the docker container
- Probably rerun the fine-tuning based on the feedback
- Train our GMM model
- Get probability distributions for each article and comments



## References

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- roamanalytics/mittens: A fast implementation of GloVe, with optional retrofitting



# **Questions**

#### General:

- 1. As a preprocessing step, does it make sense to remove the rare words in the entire dataset?
- 2. When constructing the co-occurrence matrix, should we specify the corpus per dataset? Would this produce more sensible embeddings?
- 3. Is it relevant for us for the moment to consider 'relevant' 'irrelevant' information of articles?

#### Team Specific:

- 4. If random users are all users, then it includes also the relevant users. How do we define the random users?
  - a. Should all users and relevant users be from the same dataset?
- 5. Any idea why we get connection error on VPN when trying to connect to docker container?
- Distribution graph can be observed for:
  - 1. all comments of a given user among different articles
  - 2. all users(random users)
  - 3. answering users(relevant users)