Topic Modeling: Theory and Implementation

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Document-Term Matrix

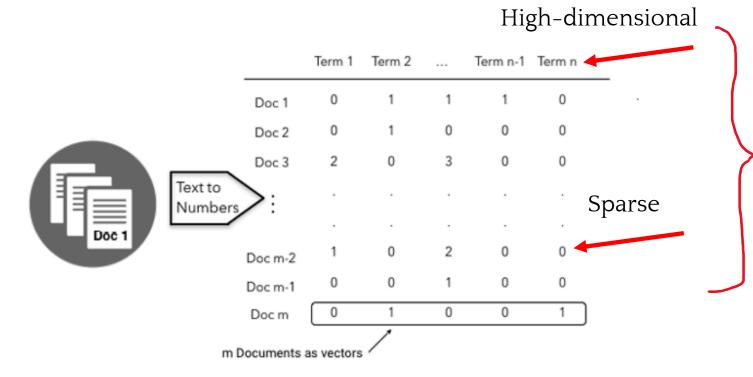
Bag-of-Words (BOW)

the frequency of terms representing a document

Document-Term Matrix DTM)

the frequency of terms in a collection of documents

<u>Useful</u> for comparing and classifying documents



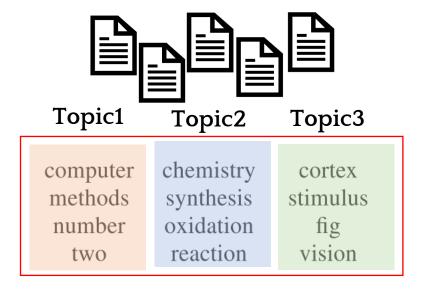
Cannot capture the latent variables/themes or provide document summary

Latent (hidden) variables = The Semantics of the documents (meaning)

Source: Jansen, Stefan. 2020. Ch.14. Figure 14.3

Topic Modeling

The process of learning, recognizing, and extracting hidden topics across a collection of documents



Applications

Unsupervised discovery of insightful themes in customer reviews, contracts, news...

Topic Modeling Techniques

- Each document consists of a mixture of topics
- Each topic consists of a collection of words

LSI (LSA)

Latent Semantic
Indexing

pLSA probabilistic Latent Semantic Analysis

LDA Latent Dirichlet

Allocation

lda2vec LDA+word2vec

Latent Semantic Analysis

the semantic document-term relationship by reducing word space dimensionality using SVD

TDM - Term-Document Matrix

DTM - Document-Term Matrix

 $m \times n$ – a term-document matrix A

| A = | | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|
| | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 | |
| Brown | 0.0 | 3.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | |
| Cat | 0.0 | 4.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| Coat | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | |

| | D1 | D2 | D3 | D4 |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| brown | 0.6 | 3.0 | 1.2 | -0.7 |
| cat | 0.1 | 2.6 | 0.0 | -1.4 |
| coat | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.5 |

m – a term n – a document

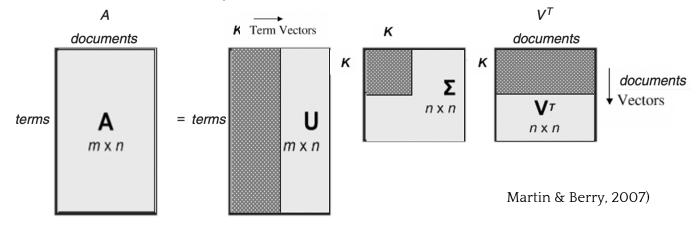
$$A = USV^T$$

Single Value Decomposition (SVD)

- Find the <u>best approximation</u> of the original data points using <u>fewer dimensions</u>
- Identify and order the dimensions along which data points exhibit the most variation

Truncated SVD

- only the k largest S values
- only k columns of U and V



Latent Semantic Analysis I (BBC News)



Ad sales boost Time Warner profit

Quarterly profits at US media giant TimeWarner months to December, from \$639m year-earlier.

The firm, which is now one of the biggest invehigh-speed internet connections and higher advales rose 2% to \$11.1bn from \$10.9bn. Its prooffset a profit dip at Warner Bros, and less to

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BBC dataset - 2,225 News articles

(txt) in 5 categories:

- business
- entertainment
- politics
- sport
- tech

```
path = Path('bbc') # after you unzip bbc you should have a folder bbc
files = sorted(list(path.glob('**/*.txt'))) # sudirectories in the bbc folder
doc_list = []
for i, file in enumerate(files):
    with open(str(file), encoding='latin1') as f:
        topic = file.parts[-2] # parse path and extract the category name
        lines = f.readlines()
        heading = lines[0].strip()|
        body = ' '.join([l.strip() for l in lines[1:]]) # exclude heading
        doc_list.append([topic.capitalize(), heading, body])
```

2 Create a dataframe with three columns: Category, Heading, Article

```
docs = pd.DataFrame(doc_list, columns=['Category', 'Heading', 'Article'])
```

| Article | Heading | Category |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Quarterly profits at US media giant TimeWarne | Ad sales boost Time Warner profit | Business |
| The dollar has hit its highest level against | Dollar gains on Greenspan speech | Business |
| The owners of embattled Russian oil giant Yuk | Yukos unit buyer faces loan claim | Business |
| British Airways has blamed high fuel prices f | High fuel prices hit BA's profits | Business |
| Shares in UK drinks and food firm Allied Dome | Pernod takeover talk lifts Domecq | Business |

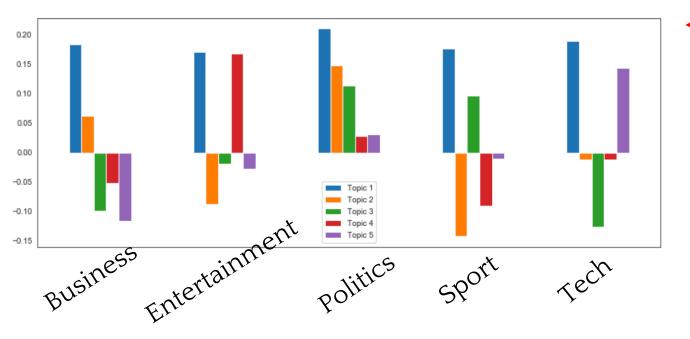
sparse matrix: 2,175 x 2,917

Split and TF-IDF Vectorize

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train_docs, test_docs = train_test_split(docs, stratify=docs.Category, test_size=50, random_state=42)
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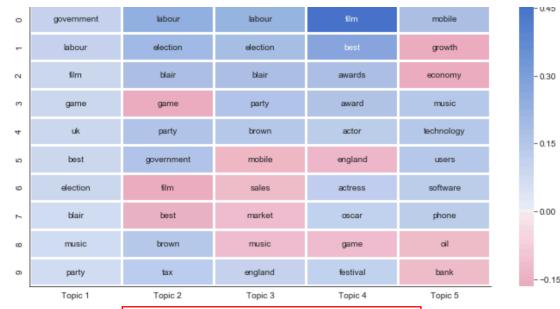
Latent Semantic Analysis II

SVD Model: <u>sklearn.decomposition.TruncatedSVD</u>



Strength: Noise Removal, Semantics **Weakness:** Interpretability, Evaluation

The Average Topic
Assignment per News
category

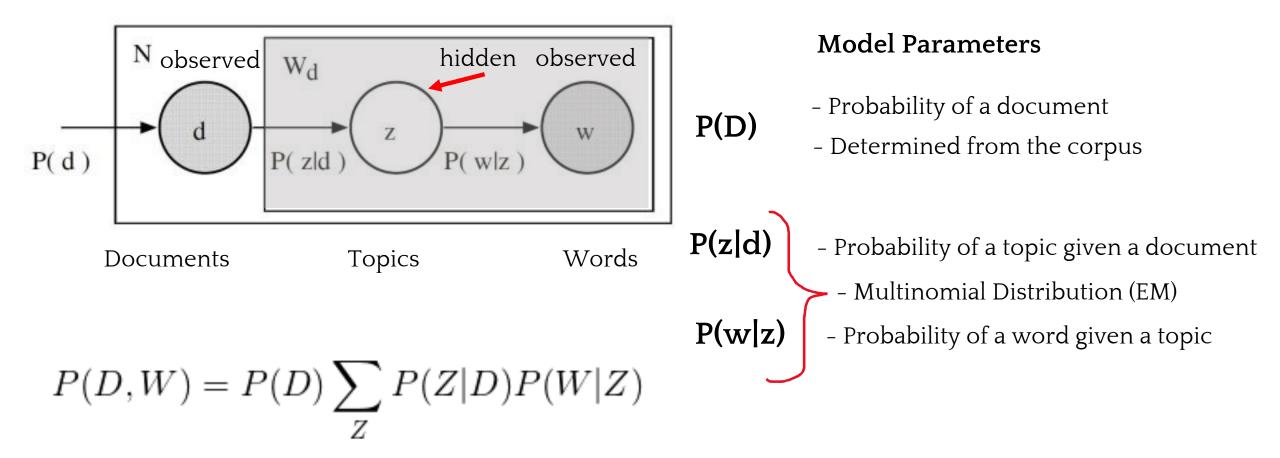


Top-10 words per Topic

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Probabilistic Latent Semantic Analysis (pLSA)

a probabilistic method instead of SVD: the probability for word w to appear in a document d

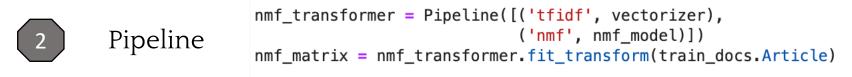


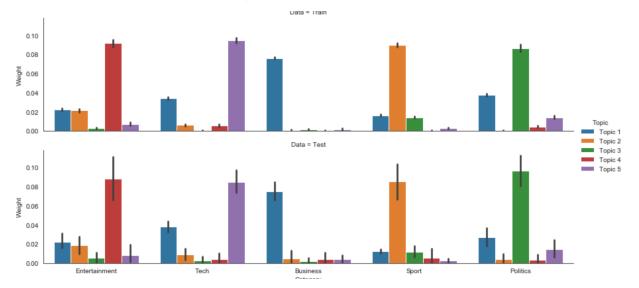
Strength: Models can be compared using the probabilities assigned to new documents

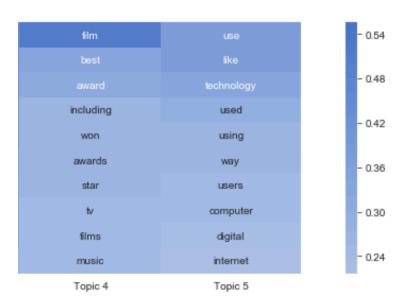
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pLSA Implementation

Non-negative matrix factorization (NMF) model: <u>sklearn.decomposition.NMF</u>



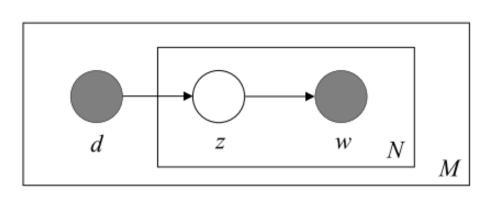




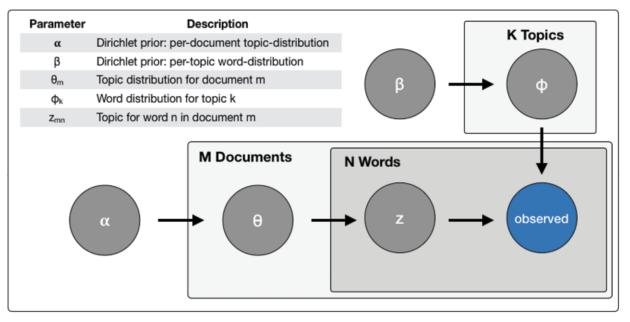
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Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) - (Blei, Ng, and Jordan 2003)

- Extends pLSA adding a generative process
 - Hierarchical Bayesian model:
 - topics are probability distribution over words
 - documents are probability distribution over topics
 - topics follow a sparse Dirichlet distribution
 - Can generalize to new documents
- Variants can include metadata (authors, image data)



pLSA: document>topic>word



LDA Implementation

Pipeline

1 Laten Dirichlet allocation model: <u>decomposition.LatentDirichletAllocation</u>

3 Visualization: pyLDAvis

