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#### 1.1 Overview

Identifying technology trends is of core importance to venture capitalists, companies and individuals who may invest money or time to pursue the hottest areas. Using historic data, the goals are to characterize either an increase or decrease in certain areas over a span of time, and use that information to predict the next areas before everyone becomes aware of the trend. Economists and financial traders routinely develop methods to achieve this goal using numeric data, but that's a different problem.

Mining published literature for trend detection is not a new area, but it is far from being adequately solved. There are a number of papers that describe case studies for a given area, but none offer a definitive approach; most focus on only a niche area. The two main approaches to the problem are using word concepts and citation networks. The word concept approach aims to characterize a subfield by its component terms automatically and then look for patterns over time. Google Trends offers a plot of word frequency over time, but subfields tend to be more complex in that "convolutional neural network" has synonyms or abbreviations (CNN) that can be ambiguous. Furthermore, as areas mature, the concepts may refine into distinct groups and associate with specific sets of terms. The citation network looks for patterns in which authors are referenced to characterize concepts. These can be used to separate different areas based on which paper is cited, but also tend to be fairly noisy. This homework will give you and a required partner a chance to develop your text mining skills to computationally find the top 10 upward or downward trending areas within the context of 30 years of the Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) proceedings for their annual conference.

#### 1.2 Data Set

The official data set is the NIPS Proceedings available at https://papers.nips.cc/. However, this will take a long time to download and hammer their server so we will would like to provide you with alternatives. There is a version of the dataset here: https://www.kaggle.com/benhamner/nips-papers. You will need a Kaggle login in order to download it. Since I would prefer everyone spend more time on the analysis and less time on the cleaning, I am working to put out a slightly cleaner version of the official data set shortly that I will post. Partners: HW2 is a partnered homework so work should be completed with 1 partner. To help everyone find a partner, we ask you to sign up by putting your partner's first name next to yours and vice versa using this shared spreadsheet: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1oz0pNYx8X2WptwiLsD9zMUtsCVZiEUTFXZ5DEnPaewk/edit?u

sp=sharing. This will give everyone immediate feedback on who doesn't have a partner. To select a partner, the self-intros on piazza are a good place to start. Please use the Canvas email to contact them since we respect your privacy and don't want to post everyone's email.

### 1.3 Prompts & Answers

How have you defined a trend? How can you separate it from background noise and/or spurious relationships?

The final methodology employed the apriori algorithm separately to each year's set of NIPS papers, then extracts growing itemsets based on the simple heuristic of sequential temporal differences in the support score for each itemset. To analyze trends, first the scores were adjusted for the size of the conference, then a rolling 5 period mean was applied to this adjusted score. This was meant to separate out noise and/or spurious relationships.

What are the main techniques you have used and how have you tailored them for this problem? Several methods for text pre-processing were tested in this analysis. LDA was used with two text cleaning mechanisms, then the apriori algorithm was tested. Also, gensim.Word2Vec was applied out of curiosity. Preferring the interpretability of the results from apriori this algorithm was chosen as the main technique, then applied to each year's group of papers.

Summary of tests: \* LatentDirichletAllocation was tested with Scikit-learn's CountVectorizer \* LatentDirichletAllocation was tested with custom TextCleaner \* apriori was tested with custom TextCleaner \* gensim.Word2Vec was tested with TextCleaner \* Leveraging the clarity from the outputs from running apriori, the algorithm was applied to each year's set of papers separately.

What was your strategy for finding multi-word phrases versus single words?

N-grams of length between 1 and 3 words were selected for -- then filters to the aggregate outputs were applied to select for items greater than 2 words in length. This was emloyed on all vectorizers that were used.

What approach(es) did you use to separate one subfield from others?

Separating sub-fields of machine learning was difficult. The *laissez faire* approach of removing minimal stop-words was used, yet it was evident that many words are connecting *bridge* words-such as the word "neural"--that if they were removed would potentially remove an important signal.

What parts of the document did you use and why?

Both the title and the text body were processed using the custom TextCleaner class, then -- in order to amplify whatever signal may be contained in the titles of papers -- the cleaned titles were duplicated before being concatenated to the cleaned paper body text. The idea behind amplifying the text contained in the title is an assumption that the titles will be dense with information via the recursive meaning of the words chosen therein, and thus informative for these purposes. Abstracts were specifically left out of the process due to the fact that many papers did not have one. This reason is somewhat arbitrary, and future work could explore the potential contained in this latent information.

How did you normalize the results against the growth of the conference, lengths of documents, etc.?

A simple approach was used. A value of 100 was added to each topic's support score, then that value was multiplied by the number of papers for that year. This approach was meant to be a simple way of accounting for the size of the conference.

We know that you can look back and find trends but how would you find the next trend with your method? Be specific.

The time-series modeling techniques could be applied to the output of this approach to predict the future adjusted support scores for each topic, then further research could be done to determine the meaningfulness of such predictions.

*Plot of the final top 10 normalized trends as a function of time.* See [way] below.

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
        import numpy as np
        import re
        import string
        from time import time
        import spacy
        from tld import get_tld
        from sklearn.base import TransformerMixin
        from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
        from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
        from sklearn.decomposition import LatentDirichletAllocation
        from mlxtend.preprocessing import TransactionEncoder
        from mlxtend.frequent_patterns import apriori
        from mlxtend.frequent_patterns import association_rules
        import ast
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import seaborn as sns
        import wordcloud
        import os
        import glob
        from gensim.models import Word2Vec
        %matplotlib inline
In [2]: # read in authors table
        authors = pd.read_csv('data/authors.csv')
        authors.set_index('id', drop=True, inplace=True)
        authors.index.name = 'author_id'
        # print details of authors table
        print('Authors table:\n', '*'*50)
        print('There are %i unique authors' %authors.index.nunique())
        print('Shape of authors table %s \n' %str(authors.shape))
        # print(authors.head(), '\n\n')
        # read in paper authors map
        paper_authors = pd.read_csv('data/paper_authors.csv')
        paper_authors.set_index('id', inplace=True, drop=True)
        # print details about paper authors map
        print('Paper Author table:\n', '*'*50)
        print('There exist %i papers authored by %i unique authors'
             %(paper_authors.paper_id.nunique(), paper_authors.author_id.nunique()))
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print('There are %i unique author/paper pairs' %paper_authors['paper_author_id'].nuniq
       print('Shape of Paper Author table %s\n' %str(paper_authors.shape))
       # print(paper_authors.head(), '\n\n')
       # read in papers
       papers = pd.read_csv('data/papers.csv')
       papers.set_index('id', inplace=True)
       papers.index.name = 'paper_id'
       # print details about papers table
       print('Papers table:\n', '*'*50)
       print('There exist %i papers with %i unique titles'
            %(papers.index.nunique(), papers.title.nunique()))
       print('Shape of Papers table %s\n' %str(papers.shape))
       # print(papers.head(), ' \n \n')
       # map author names
       print('Combining data to one structure\n', '*'*50)
       print('Mapping author names to the Paper Authors table in preparation to merge')
       author_map = dict(zip(authors.index.values, authors.name.values))
       paper_authors['author'] = paper_authors['author_id'].map(author_map)
       # outer join of papers/authors
       papers.reset_index(inplace=True, drop=False)
       df = paper_authors.merge(papers, on='paper_id', how='outer')
       # print outputs
       print('After merging there are %i missing values in the author field' %df.author.isnul
       df.loc[df.author.isnull(), 'author'] = 'UNKNOWN'
       print('Final shape of data %s\n\n' %str(df.shape))
       df.head()
Authors table:
 *****************
There are 9784 unique authors
Shape of authors table (9784, 1)
Paper Author table:
 **************
There exist 7238 papers authored by 9784 unique authors
There are 20823 unique author/paper pairs
Shape of Paper Author table (20838, 3)
Papers table:
 **************
There exist 7241 papers with 7241 unique titles
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paper\_authors['paper\_author\_id'] = paper\_authors['paper\_id'].astype(str) + '\_' + paper\_authors['paper\_author\_id']

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Shape of Papers table (7241, 6)
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Combining data to one structure

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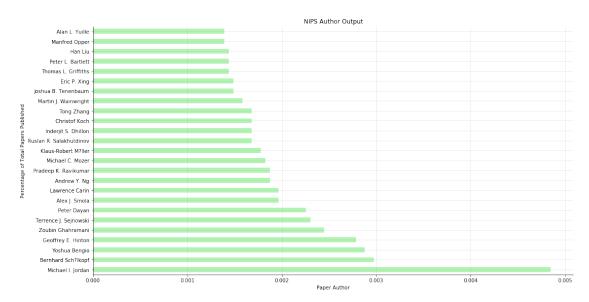
Mapping author names to the Paper Authors table in preparation to merge After merging there are 3 missing values in the author field Final shape of data (20841, 10)

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Out [2]:
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        4 9\n\nStochastic Learning Networks and their El...
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## 1.4 Exploratory Analysis

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In [3]: # note the matthew principle for author output
    _ = df.groupby('author').title.count().sort_values(ascending=False).head(25) / df.group
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(17,9))
    _.plot(ax=ax, kind='barh', alpha=.7, color='lightgreen')
    ax.set_xlabel('Paper Author')
    ax.set_ylabel('Percentage of Total Papers Published')
    ax.set_title('NIPS Author Output')
```

```
sns.despine()
ax.grid(alpha=.3)
plt.show()
```



```
In [4]: class TextCleaner(TransformerMixin):
            """Text cleaning to slot into sklearn interface"""
            def __init__(self, remove_stopwords=True, remove_urls=True,
                         remove_puncts=True, lemmatize=True, extra_punct='',
                         custom_stopwords=[], custom_non_stopwords=[],
                         verbose=True, parser='big'):
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                INPUT: remove_stopwords - bool - remove is, there, he etc...
                       remove urls - bool - 't www.monkey.com t' --> 't com t'
                       remove_punct - bool - all punct and digits gone
                       lemmatize - bool - whether to apply lemmtization
                       extra_punct - str - other characters to remove
                       custom_stopwords - list - add to standard stops
                       custom_non_stopwords - list - make sure are kept
                       verbose - bool - whether to print progress statements
                       parser - str - 'big' or small, one keeps more, and is slower
                OUTPUT: self - **due to other method, not this one
                11 11 11
                # Initialize passed Attributes to specify operations
                self.remove_stopwords = remove_stopwords
                self.remove_urls = remove_urls
                self.remove_puncts = remove_puncts
                self.lemmatize = lemmatize
```

```
# Change how operations work
    self.custom_stopwords = custom_stopwords
    self.custom_non_stopwords = custom_non_stopwords
    self.verbose = verbose
    # Set up punctation tranlation table
    self.removals = string.punctuation + string.digits + extra punct
    self.trans_table = str.maketrans({key: None for key in self.removals})
    #Load nlp model for parsing usage later
    self.parser = spacy.load('en_core_web_sm',
                             disable=['parser', 'ner', 'textcat'])
    #from spacy.lang.en import English
    if parser == 'small':
        self.parser = spacy.load('en')#English()
    #Add custom stop words to nlp
    for word in self.custom_stopwords:
        self.parser.vocab[word].is_stop = True
    #Set custom nlp words to be kept
    for word in self.custom non stopwords:
        self.parser.vocab[word].is_stop = False
def transform(self, X, y=None):
    """take array of docs to clean array of docs"""
    # Potential replace urls with tld ie www.monkey.com to com
    if self.remove_urls:
        start_time = time()
        if self.verbose:
            print("CHANGING URLS to TLDS... ", end='')
        X = [self.remove_url(doc) for doc in X]
        if self.verbose:
            print(f"{time() - start_time:.0f} seconds")
    # Potentially remove punctuation
    if self.remove_puncts:
        start_time = time()
        if self.verbose:
            print("REMOVING PUNCTUATION AND DIGITS... ", end='')
        X = [doc.lower().translate(self.trans_table) for doc in X]
        if self.verbose:
            print(f"{time() - start_time:.0f} seconds")
    # Using Spacy to parse text
    start_time = time()
    if self.verbose:
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print("PARSING TEXT WITH SPACY...", end='')
    X = list(self.parser.pipe(X))
    if self.verbose:
        print(f"{time() - start_time:.0f} seconds")
    # Potential stopword removal
    if self.remove_stopwords:
        start_time = time()
        if self.verbose:
            print("REMOVING STOP WORDS FROM DOCUMENTS... ", end='')
        X = [[word for word in doc if not word.is_stop] for doc in X]
        if self.verbose:
            print(f"{time() - start_time:.0f} seconds")
    # Potential Lemmatization
    if self.lemmatize:
        start_time = time()
        if self.verbose:
            print("LEMMATIZING WORDS... ", end='')
        X = [[word.lemma_ for word in doc] for doc in X]
        if self.verbose:
            print(f"{time() - start_time:.0f} seconds")
    # Put back to normal if no lemmatizing happened
    if not self.lemmatize:
        X = [[str(word).lower() for word in doc] for doc in X]
    # Join Back up
    return [' '.join(lst) for lst in X]
def fit(self, X, y=None):
    """interface conforming, and allows use of fit_transform"""
    return self
@staticmethod
def remove_url(text):
    DESCR: given a url string find urls and replace with top level domain
           a bit lazy in that if there are multiple all are replaced by first
    INPUT: text - str - 'this is www.monky.com in text'
    OUTPIT: str - 'this is <com> in text'
    # Define string to match urls
   url_re = '((?:www|https?)(://)?[^\s]+)'
```

```
# Find potential things to replace
matches = re.findall(url_re, text)
if matches == []:
    return text
# Get tld of first match
match = matches[0][0]
    tld = get_tld(match, fail_silently=True, fix_protocol=True)
except ValueError:
    tld = None
# failures return none so change to empty
if tld is None:
    tld = ""
# make this obvsiouyly an odd tag
tld = f" < \{tld\} > "
# Make replacements and return
return re.sub(url re, tld, text)
```

### 2 Clean Text

## 2.1 Clean Titles of Papers

```
In [5]: custom_stopwords = ['et', 'al',
                           'data', 'model', 'predict', 'learning', 'machine', 'datum']
        cleaner = TextCleaner(custom_stopwords=custom_stopwords)
        # transform with
        df['cleaned_title'] = cleaner.transform(df.title)
CHANGING URLS to TLDS... 0 seconds
REMOVING PUNCTUATION AND DIGITS... O seconds
PARSING TEXT WITH SPACY... 7 seconds
REMOVING STOP WORDS FROM DOCUMENTS... O seconds
LEMMATIZING WORDS... O seconds
In [6]: df[['title', 'cleaned_title']].head(20)
Out [6]:
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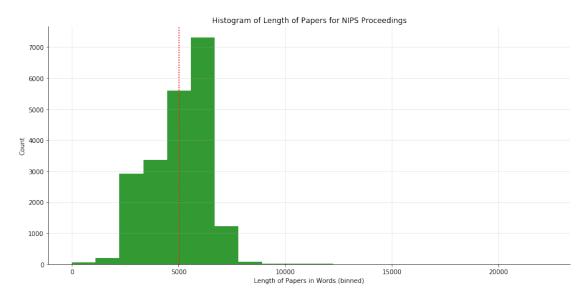
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    Simulations Suggest Information Processing Rol...
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    artificial neural network spatiotemporal bipol...
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                  property network neuronlike element
   supervised probability distribution neural net...
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    simulation suggest information processing role...
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   neural network template matching application r...
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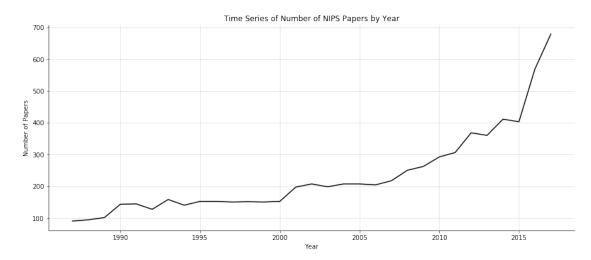
#### 2.2 Clean Text of Papers

```
In [7]: df['length_paper'] = df.paper_text.str.split().apply(len)
        fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(15,7))
        ax.hist(df['length_paper'], label='length of paper (words)', color='green', alpha=.8,
        ax.axvline(df['length_paper'].mean(), label='mean', linestyle=':', color='red')
        ax.grid(alpha=.3)
        ax.set_title('Histogram of Length of Papers for NIPS Proceedings')
```

```
sns.despine()
ax.set_xlabel('Length of Papers in Words (binned)')
ax.set_ylabel('Count')
```

## Out[7]: Text(0,0.5,'Count')





#### 2.2.1 Use first 2000 words in each paper to build models (for memory-related issues)

```
In [10]: first_n = 2000
        for i, text in enumerate(df.paper text):
             df.loc[i, 'cleaned_text'] = ' '.join(text.split()[:first_n])
        df['cleaned_text'] = cleaner.transform(df['cleaned_text'])
        df[['paper_text', 'cleaned_text']].head(20)
CHANGING URLS to TLDS... 4 seconds
REMOVING PUNCTUATION AND DIGITS... 1 seconds
PARSING TEXT WITH SPACY... 1486 seconds
REMOVING STOP WORDS FROM DOCUMENTS... 25 seconds
LEMMATIZING WORDS... 25 seconds
Out[10]:
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         14 62\n\nCentric Models of the Orientation Map in...
         15 72\n\nANALYSIS AND COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT LEA...
         16 82\n\nSIMULATIONS SUGGEST\nINFORMATION PROCESS...
         17 95\n\nOPTIMAL NEURAL SPIKE CLASSIFICATION\nAmi...
         18 95\n\nOPTIMAL NEURAL SPIKE CLASSIFICATION\nAmi...
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        7
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#### 2.2.2 Write to disk & re-read if necessary

## 2.2.3 Combine Text & Title, Weighting Title More Heavily

#### 3 Test LatentDirichletAllocation with CountVectorizer

```
In [14]: def print_top_words(model, feature_names, n_top_words):
             '''from sklearn example website for LDA'''
             for topic_idx, topic in enumerate(model.components_):
                 message = "Topic #%d: " % topic_idx
                 message += "|".join([feature_names[i]
                                      for i in topic.argsort()[:-n_top_words - 1:-1]])
                 print(message)
             print()
         def count_vectorizer_lda(data_samples, n_features, n_components, n_top_words):
             '''adapted from sklearn example website for LDA'''
             # Use tf (raw term count) features for LDA.
             print("Extracting tf features for LDA...")
             tf_vectorizer = CountVectorizer(max_df=0.95,
                                             min_df=.05,
                                             max_features=n_features,
                                             stop_words='english',
```

```
t0 = time()
             tf = tf_vectorizer.fit_transform(data_samples)
             print("done in %0.3fs." % (time() - t0))
             print()
             print("Fitting LDA models with tf features")
             lda = LatentDirichletAllocation(n_components=n_components,
                                             learning_method='online',
                                             learning_offset=50.,
                                             random_state=77,
                                             n_{jobs=-1},
                                             max_iter=25)
             t0 = time()
             lda.fit(tf)
             print("done in %0.3fs." % (time() - t0))
             print("\nTopics in LDA model:")
             tf_feature_names = tf_vectorizer.get_feature_names()
             print_top_words(lda, tf_feature_names, n_top_words)
             return lda, tf_feature_names
         n_features = 1000
         n_{components} = 10
         n_top_words = 10
         lda, feature_names = count_vectorizer_lda(df['training_text'],
                                                   n_features, n_components, n_top_words)
Extracting tf features for LDA...
done in 89.347s.
Fitting LDA models with tf features
done in 608.392s.
Topics in LDA model:
Topic #0: neuron|spike|response|cell|stimulus|activity|neural|pattern|input|brain
Topic #1: set|label|loss|algorithm|training|class|example|classification|function|classifier
Topic #2: algorithm|gradient|method|xt|function|stochastic|update|convergence|optimization|pare
Topic #3: task|time|signal|model|source|human|target|filter|sequence|motion
Topic #4: image|feature|object|cluster|graph|set|representation|point|approach|method
Topic #5: state|policy|action|algorithm|function|problem|reward|value|set|agent
Topic #6: matrix|problem|function|algorithm|kernel|method|vector|set|linear|result
Topic #7: distribution|model|variable|inference|sample|parameter|gaussian|probability|prior|la
Topic #8: time|input|memory|weight|figure|output|rule|circuit|number|event
Topic #9: network|neural|layer|input|neural network|output|training|train|deep|unit
```

ngram\_range=(1, 3))

#### 4 Test LatentDirichletAllocation with TfidfVectorizer

```
In [16]: def tfidf_vectorizer_lda(data_samples, n_features, n_components, n_top_words):
             '''adapted from sklearn example website for LDA'''
             # Use tf-idf features for LDA.
             print("Extracting tf-idf features for LDA...")
             tfidf_vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer(max_df=0.95,
                                                 min_df=.05,
                                                 max_features=n_features,
                                                 stop_words='english',
                                                 ngram_range=(1, 3))
             t0 = time()
             tf = tfidf_vectorizer.fit_transform(data_samples)
             print("done in %0.3fs." % (time() - t0))
             print()
             print("Fitting LDA models with tf-idf features")
             lda = LatentDirichletAllocation(n_components=n_components,
                                              learning_method='online',
                                              learning_offset=50.,
                                              random_state=77,
                                              n_{jobs=-1},
                                              max_iter=25)
             t0 = time()
             lda.fit(tf)
             print("done in %0.3fs." % (time() - t0))
             print("\nTopics in LDA model:")
             tfidf_feature_names = tfidf_vectorizer.get_feature_names()
             print_top_words(lda, tfidf_feature_names, n_top_words)
             return lda, tfidf_feature_names
         n_features = 1000
         n_{components} = 10
         n_{top_words} = 10
         tfidf_lda, tfidf_feature_names = tfidf_vectorizer_lda(df['training_text'],
                                                                n_features, n_components, n_top
Extracting tf-idf features for LDA...
```

done in 92.464s.

Fitting LDA models with tf-idf features done in 306.209s.

```
Topics in LDA model:
Topic #0: network|image|neuron|neural|input|layer|object|spike|feature|neural network
Topic #1: lemma|patch|spike|transformation|nonzero|column|sequential|pose|entire|feedforward
Topic #2: algorithm|policy|problem|function|reward|action|matrix|gradient|state|method
Topic #3: lemma|patch|spike|transformation|nonzero|column|sequential|pose|entire|feedforward
Topic #4: classifier|label|loss|risk|classification|margin|error|training|hypothesis|class
Topic #5: lemma|patch|spike|transformation|nonzero|column|sequential|pose|entire|feedforward
Topic #6: lemma|patch|spike|transformation|nonzero|column|sequential|pose|entire|feedforward
Topic #7: circuit|analog|lemma|implementation|technology|current|implement|operation|r1|difference
Topic #8: lemma|patch|spike|transformation|nonzero|column|sequential|pose|entire|feedforward
Topic #9: distribution|graph|kernel|algorithm|model|function|matrix|variable|cluster|inference
```

# 5 Test apriori with TransactionEncoder

```
In [18]: oht = TransactionEncoder()
         ls = df.cleaned_title.str.split().tolist()
         #oht.fit(ls)
         oht_ary = oht.fit_transform(ls)
         oht_df = pd.DataFrame(oht_ary, columns=oht.columns_)
         oht_df.head()
Out[18]:
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                                                                  abstention
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```
In [19]: # check itemsets that appear in at least min_support% of baskets
         freq_itemsets = apriori(oht_df, min_support=.005, use_colnames=True)
         freq_itemsets['length'] = freq_itemsets['itemsets'].apply(lambda x: len(x))
         freq_itemsets.sort_values('support', ascending=False).head(10)
Out[19]:
                                  itemsets
                                            length
               support
         131
              0.115541
                                  (network)
              0.088623
                                                  1
         132
                                   (neural)
              0.077396
                                                  1
         122
                                    (model)
              0.056523
                         (neural, network)
                                                  2
         237
         6
              0.043088
                               (algorithm)
         15
              0.038962
                                (bayesian)
         92
              0.036706
                               (inference)
                                                  1
         157
              0.034643
                                  (process)
                                                  1
         45
              0.034355
                                     (deep)
                                                  1
         97
              0.033396
                                   (kernel)
                                                  1
In [20]: freq_itemsets.loc[(freq_itemsets['length'] >= 2) & (freq_itemsets['support'] >= .005)
Out [20]:
               support
                                              itemsets
                                                        length
         237
              0.056523
                                     (neural, network)
                                                              2
         231
              0.016746
                                   (process, gaussian)
         226
              0.011708
                                       (network, deep)
                                                              2
         238
              0.011516
                                  (recurrent, network)
                                                              2
         233
                                    (model, graphical)
                                                              2
              0.009309
                                    (model, inference)
                                                              2
         234
              0.008541
         225
              0.007965
                             (network, convolutional)
                                                              2
                                     (support, vector)
                                                              2
         242
              0.007917
                             (variational, inference)
         235
              0.007581
                                                              2
              0.007437
                                   (recurrent, neural)
                                                              2
         239
                         (recurrent, neural, network)
         244 0.006813
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         227
              0.006670
                                        (neural, deep)
                                                              2
                                 (bayesian, inference)
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              0.006286
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                           (stochastic, optimization)
                                                              2
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         232
              0.006094
                               (stochastic, gradient)
         241
              0.005998
                                 (speech, recognition)
                                                              2
         221
              0.005902
                                 (analysis, component)
                                                              2
         224
              0.005806
                                        (carlo, monte)
                                                              2
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         243
              0.005806
                              (neural, network, deep)
         223
              0.005758
                                     (model, bayesian)
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                                    (network, dynamic)
         229
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              0.005662
                                   (descent, gradient)
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         228
              0.005470
                                       (model, neural)
                                                              2
         236
              0.005422
                                     (model, gaussian)
         230
              0.005182
                                                              2
In [21]: association_rules(
             freq_itemsets, metric="confidence", min_threshold=0.2
```

).sort\_values('consequent support', ascending=False)

```
antecedent support
Out [21]:
                        antecedents
                                             consequents
          16
                                                                       0.088623
                           (neural)
                                                (network)
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                    (convolutional)
                                                (network)
                                                                       0.009980
          4
                              (deep)
                                               (network)
                                                                       0.034355
         28
               (recurrent, neural)
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         7
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                                               (network)
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         26
                     (neural, deep)
                                               (network)
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          18
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                                               (network)
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              (recurrent, network)
                                                (neural)
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         27
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         19
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          17
                          (network)
                                                (neural)
                                                                       0.115541
          12
                        (graphical)
                                                  (model)
                                                                       0.012188
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                                                                       0.036706
          30
                        (recurrent)
                                       (neural, network)
                                                                       0.016122
          14
                      (variational)
                                             (inference)
                                                                       0.017801
         9
                         (gaussian)
                                               (process)
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                        (component)
                                              (analysis)
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         11
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                                            (stochastic)
                     (optimization)
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         22
                           (speech)
                                           (recognition)
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          10
                       (stochastic)
                                              (gradient)
                                                                       0.026438
                          (descent)
         5
                                              (gradient)
                                                                       0.009644
                                           (variational)
         15
                        (inference)
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                                                (vector)
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```

### 6 Test gensim.Word2Vec

```
In [22]: # gather sentences split by words
         sentences = []
         for txt in df.training_text.astype(str).tolist():
             sentences.append(txt.split())
         # train model
         model = Word2Vec(iter=10, min_count=10, size=150, workers=-1)
         model.build_vocab(sentences)
         model.train(sentences, total_examples=model.corpus_count, epochs=model.epochs)
         topn = 200
         test words = ['neural']
         dat = model.most_similar(test_words, topn=topn)
         _df = pd.DataFrame(dat, columns=['word', 'prob']).set_index('word')
         import wordcloud
         from wordcloud import WordCloud
         import os
         import glob
         def generate_wordcloud(words, values, savefig=1):
             Inputs:
              words: np.array of words to be plotted
              values: np.array of corresponding weights/sizes of text
```

```
None: prints matplotlib
             I I I
             word_dict = dict(zip(words, values))
             cloud = WordCloud(background_color='white',
                               max_words=200,
                               max_font_size=100,
                               random_state=42,
                               width=900,
                               height=600).generate_from_frequencies(frequencies=word_dict)
             fig = plt.figure(1, figsize=(20, 10))
             plt.imshow(cloud)
             plt.axis('off')
             plt.show()
             # remove old images
             for filename in glob.glob('img/image_*'):
                 os.remove(filename)
             # save image without white borders
             img_path = 'img/image_'+str(np.random.randint(100, 999))+'.jpeg'; print(img_path)
             plt.savefig(img_path, bbox_inches='tight')
             return img_path
         words = _df.index.values
         values = _df.prob
         generate_wordcloud(words, values, savefig=1)
/Users/pmw/anaconda/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:15: DeprecationWarning:
  from ipykernel import kernelapp as app
```

Outputs:



```
img/image_850.jpeg
Out[22]: 'img/image_850.jpeg'
<Figure size 432x288 with 0 Axes>
```

# 7 Final Approach - Steps to Develop

## 7.1 Group data by year & Perform TransactionEncoder apriori Frequent Itemsets

The resulting support scores from iteratively applying apriori to each year's papers are cached to a DataFrame that is indexed by year and itemset. This enables subsequent analysis of the support that a given "topic" received during a period. Identification of growing itemsets is also enabled since temporal resolution is achieved using this method. To scale the measurements by the growth of the conference each support score was multiplied by 100 (to discourage underflow), then the sum total number of (unique) papers for the entire year is multiplied by each adjusted support score. This methodology was not necessarily mathematically inspired, nor theoretically driven. It was merely a convenient heuristic for adjusting the data, and it likely has many flaws.

#### 7.1.1 Observe which topics have the highest average support (but are not necessarily growing)

```
oht_ary = oht.fit_transform(ls)
             oht_df = pd.DataFrame(oht_ary, columns=oht.columns_)
             # check itemsets that appear in at least min support% of baskets
             freq_itemsets = apriori(oht_df, min_support=min_support, use_colnames=True)
             freq itemsets['length'] = freq itemsets['itemsets'].apply(lambda x: len(x))
             return freq_itemsets.sort_values('support', ascending=False)
         fis_df = pd.DataFrame()
         for year, _df in df.groupby('year'):
             text_lists = _df.cleaned_title.str.split().tolist()
             frequent_itemsets = transaction_encoder_apriori_frequent_itemsets(text_lists)
             frequent_itemsets['year'] = year
             frequent_itemsets.set_index(['year', 'itemsets'], inplace=True)
             # derive number of papers for that year
             n_papers = _df['cleaned_title'].nunique()
             frequent itemsets['n unique papers'] = n papers
             fis_df = fis_df.append(frequent_itemsets)
         # bring row index to columns
         fis_df = fis_df.unstack('year')
         # fill na and sort dataframe by support
         fis_df = fis_df.fillna(0)
         fis_df['mean_support'] = fis_df['support'].mean(axis=1)
         # sort by the average support of each topic
         fis_df.sort_values('mean_support', ascending=False, inplace=True)
         # display top 10 itemsets
         top_n = 10
         print('Top %i Itemsets' %top n)
         fis_df[['mean_support']].head(top_n); print('')
         # isolate just the support dataframe by its MultiIndex
         # the data is already sorted
         fis_support_df = fis_df['support'].T
         fis_support_df.head()
Top 10 Itemsets
Out[24]: itemsets (network) (neural) (neural, network)
                                                            (model) (algorithm) \
         year
```

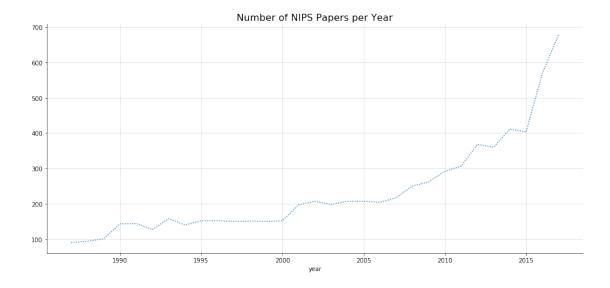
oht = TransactionEncoder()

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1987
           0.519774
                      0.446328
                                           0.344633
                                                      0.039548
                                                                    0.016949
1988
           0.417040
                      0.412556
                                           0.255605
                                                      0.062780
                                                                    0.026906
1989
           0.438596
                      0.302632
                                           0.236842
                                                      0.021930
                                                                    0.083333
1990
           0.412308
                      0.320000
                                           0.280000
                                                      0.021538
                                                                    0.027692
1991
           0.350000
                      0.241176
                                           0.179412
                                                      0.058824
                                                                    0.011765
itemsets
           (bayesian)
                        (recognition)
                                        (classification)
                                                           (analysis)
                                                                        (kernel)
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                                                 0.056497
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itemsets
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           (classification, hierarchical, uncover)
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          (random, conditional, sequence)
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itemsets
           (unsupervised, convolutional, belief) \
year
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```

In [25]: # fis\_df['support\_\*\_npapers'] = np.multiply(fis\_df['support'], fis\_df['n\_unique\_paper'])

#### 7.1.2 Observe number of NIPS papers per year



#### 7.1.3 Adjust for size of conference

Below each itemset's support score is first multiplied by 100, then it is multiplied by the number of papers for that year. This is done as a simple way of adjusting for the size of the conference. There are undoubtedly better heuristics and methods for doing this.

```
In [27]: # id actual n_unique_papers by year (max used for zeros)
         n_papers_by_year = fis_df['n_unique_papers'].max(axis=0).T # max used bc 0 shows up i
         # iterate over columns in un-adjusted df to get adjusted df
         \# by first multiplying the score by 100 then muliplying it again by the n_papers_by_y
         fis_adj_df = pd.DataFrame()
         for col in fis_support_df.columns.tolist()[:500]:
             fis_adj_df[col] = np.multiply(fis_support_df[col], 100)
             fis_adj_df[col] = np.multiply(fis_adj_df[col], n_papers_by_year)
         fis_adj_df.head()
Out [27]:
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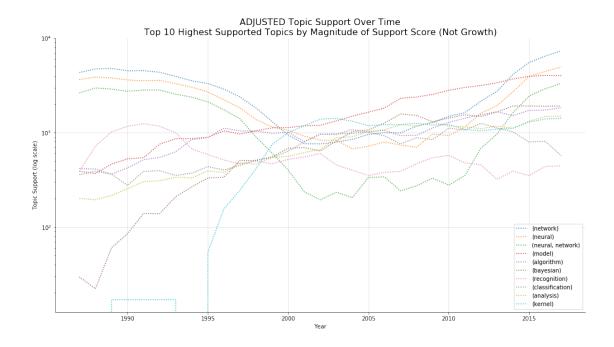
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[5 rows x 500 columns]

#### 7.1.4 Review preliminary results

plt.show()

```
In [28]: # plot what it looks like topic-wise
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(17,9))
    top_10_topics = fis_adj_df.columns.tolist()[:10]
    fis_adj_df[top_10_topics].rolling(5, min_periods=3, center=True).mean().plot(ax=ax, 1.ax.grid(alpha=.4)
    sns.despine()
    ax.set_title('ADJUSTED Topic Support Over Time\nTop 10 Highest Supported Topics by Massize=16)
    ax.semilogy()
    ax.set_ylabel('Topic Support (log scale)')
    ax.set_xlabel('Year')
    ax.legend(loc='best')
```



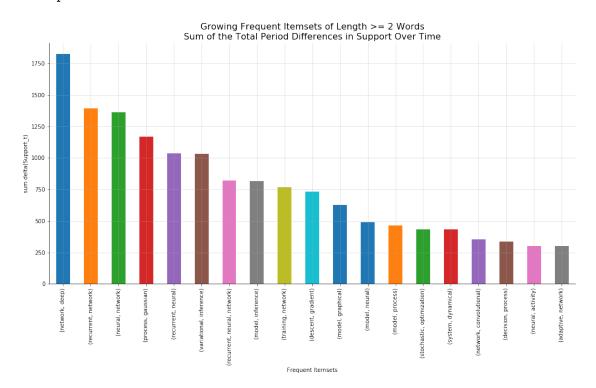
# 8 Identification of growing frequent itemsets

Using the pd.DataFrame.diff() method to derive time-series differences, then summing those differences, it is possible to determine which topics overall had positive support. An arbitrary cutoff of 0.01 was used, then frequent itemsets longer than two words are selected in order to identify phrase-like itemsets that may be indicative of the next hot topic in ML.

Plotted below is a cumulative sum of the sequential temporal differences in support for all itemsets of length greater than or equal to two words. The concepts of deep learning & neural networks are certainly of interest to the community, as evidenced by the many terms related to deep learning itemsets dominating the in the top 10. In future iterations on this problem an investigator could remove some stop-words that are all-too-common in the results thus far and see if it sifts through the noise better. A potential issue in removing such stop-words could arise from the fact that some of these words are *bridge* words (such as "neural") that tie together multiple others in a meaningful way.

```
In [29]: # id filters for growing itemsets and 2+ words itemsets
    growing_itemsets = fis_adj_df.diff().sum() > 0.01
    length_gte2 = fis_adj_df.columns.str.len() >= 2

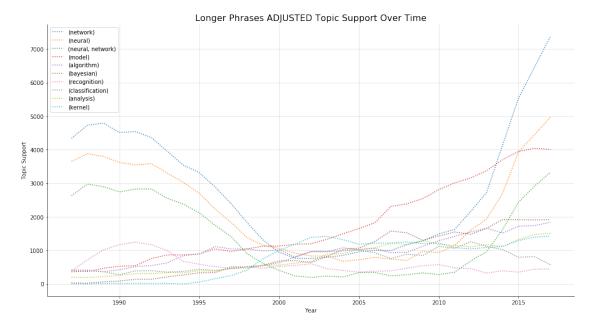
# show itemsets growing more than .01 and topics >= 2 words
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(17,8))
fis_adj_df.diff().sum()[growing_itemsets & length_gte2].sort_values(ascending=False).;
    sns.despine()
    ax.grid(alpha=.4)
    ax.set_xlabel('Frequent Itemsets')
    ax.set_ylabel('sum delta(Support_t)')
```



## 8.1 Look at growing itemsets regardless of length

As mentioned above, the top growing itemsets (regardless of the number of words that comprise it) contain such bridge words as "model", "algorithm", and "function". These words on their own are not particularly meaningful. Shown below are the top 10 itemsets, then their time-series of support is plotted.

```
In [31]: # plot what it looks like topic-wise
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(17,9))
    fis_adj_df[growing_cols[:10]].rolling(5, min_periods=3, center=True).mean().plot(ax=a: ax.grid(alpha=.4)
    sns.despine()
    ax.set_title('Longer Phrases ADJUSTED Topic Support Over Time', size=16)
    ax.set_ylabel('Topic Support')
    ax.set_xlabel('Year')
    ax.legend(loc='best')
    #ax.semilogy()
    plt.show()
```



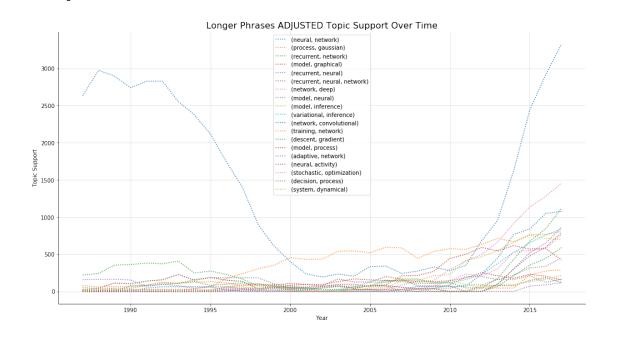
# 9 Final Approach - Results

## 9.1 Review the long and growing itemsets

Below all itemsets that are (1) greater than or equal to 2 words in length and (2) are growing are isolated, then plotted against time. It is observed that the concept of "neural networks" is dominating the signal here, and in future iterations steps should be taken to remove such dominance.

As an aside, both MinMaxScaler and StandardScaler were tested and subsequently plotted, but the distortions that are created served more to confuse than to enlighten. For this reason the approach was not used.

```
long_and_growing = fis_adj_df[growing_and_gte2].rolling(5, min_periods=3, center=True
# # normalize
# from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler
# long and growing = pd.DataFrame(MinMaxScaler().fit transform(long and growing),
                                  index=long_and_growing.index,
#
                                  columns=long_and_growing.columns)
# plot what it looks like topic-wise
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(17,9))
long_and_growing.plot(ax=ax, linestyle=':')
ax.grid(alpha=.4)
sns.despine()
ax.set_title('Longer Phrases ADJUSTED Topic Support Over Time', size=16)
ax.set_ylabel('Topic Support')
ax.set_xlabel('Year')
ax.legend(loc='best')
plt.show()
```



In [33]: ## Stillborn ideas -- ideas time didn't allow to come to fruition

# test earth mover distance
# check out ToPMINE -- no python library
# account for perplexity and coherence scores - interpret them
# choose N topics using them with apriori distributions
# Loop through by year and perform gensim wordcloud aganist each term