# CS657A: Information Retrieval Term Embedding Models

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# **Embedding Models**

- Models for embedding terms to vector spaces
- Term-document matrix
  - Rows are terms, columns are documents
  - Values generally indicate counts
- Term-term co-occurrence matrix
  - Whether terms co-occur in a document
  - Tries to capture context
- Term-term context matrix
  - May use a special context window
  - ullet Whether occurs within k terms upstream and downstream

# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Singular value decomposition is factorization of a matrix

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

- If A is of size  $m \times n$ , then U is  $m \times m$ , V is  $n \times n$  and  $\Sigma$  is  $m \times n$
- Columns of U are eigenvectors of  $AA^T$ 
  - Left singular vectors
  - $UU^T = I_m$  (orthonormal)
- Columns of V are eigenvectors of  $A^TA$ 
  - Right singular vectors
  - $V^TV = I_n$  (orthonormal)
- $\bullet$   $\sigma_{ii}$  are the singular values
  - ullet  $\Sigma$  is diagonal
  - Singular values are positive square roots of eigenvalues of  $AA^T$  or  $A^TA$
- $\sigma_{11} \ge \sigma_{22} \ge \cdots \ge \sigma_{nn}$  (assuming *n* singular values)

# Transformation using SVD

Transformed data

$$T = AV = U\Sigma$$

- V is called SVD transform matrix
- Essentially, T is just a rotation of A
- Dimensionality of T is n
- n different basis vectors than the original space
- ullet Columns of V give the basis vectors in rotated space
- V shows how each document can be represented as a linear combination of other documents
- U shows how each term can be represented as a linear combination of other terms
- Lengths of vectors are preserved

$$||\vec{a_i}||_2 = ||\vec{t_i}||_2$$

## Example

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = U \begin{bmatrix} -0.41 & 0.29 & 0.49 & -0.41 & -0.56 \\ -0.23 & 0.27 & 0.48 & 0.77 & 0.18 \\ -0.48 & 0.36 & -0.71 & 0.23 & -0.25 \\ -0.47 & -0.83 & 0.02 & 0.18 & -0.19 \\ -0.55 & 0.05 & 0.01 & -0.37 & 0.73 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\times \Sigma \begin{bmatrix} 9.30 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 6.47 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2.91 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times V^{T} \begin{bmatrix} -0.55 & 0.44 & -0.70 \\ -0.53 & 0.45 & 0.70 \\ -0.63 & -0.77 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix}^{T}$$

#### Transformed Data

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$$= \begin{bmatrix} -3.89 & 1.93 & 1.44 \\ -2.16 & 1.80 & 1.42 \\ -4.47 & 2.36 & -2.08 \\ -4.45 & -5.39 & 0.08 \\ -5.18 & 0.38 & 0.05 \end{bmatrix}$$

Lengths = [4.58, 3.16, 5.47, 7.00, 5.19]

# Compact Form

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- If A is of size  $m \times n$ , then U is  $m \times n$ , V is  $n \times n$  and  $\Sigma$  is  $n \times n$
- ullet Works because there at most n non-zero singular values in  $\Sigma$

# Dimensionality Reduction using SVD

$$A = U\Sigma V^{T} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (u_{i}\sigma_{ii}v_{i}^{T})$$

- Use only *k* dimensions
- Retain first k columns for U and V and first k values for  $\Sigma$
- First k columns of V give the basis vectors in reduced space

$$A_k \approx \sum_{i=1}^k (u_i \sigma_{ii} v_i^T) = U_{1...k} \Sigma_{1...k} V_{1...k}^T$$
$$T_k \approx A V_{1...k}$$

# Reduced Dimensionality

$$\begin{split} A &\approx A_k = U_k \begin{bmatrix} -0.41 & 0.29 \\ -0.23 & 0.27 \\ -0.48 & 0.36 \\ -0.47 & -0.83 \\ -0.55 & 0.05 \end{bmatrix} \times \Sigma \begin{bmatrix} 9.30 & 0 \\ 0 & 6.47 \end{bmatrix} \times V^T \begin{bmatrix} -0.55 & 0.44 \\ -0.53 & 0.45 \\ -0.63 & -0.77 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3.01 & 2.97 & 0.98 \\ 2.00 & 1.98 & -0.01 \\ 3.52 & 3.48 & 1.02 \\ 0.05 & -0.05 & 6.99 \\ 3.03 & 2.96 & 2.99 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -3.89 & 1.93 \\ -2.16 & 1.80 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

$$T \approx T_k = AV_k = U_k \Sigma_k = \begin{bmatrix} -3.89 & 1.93 \\ -2.16 & 1.80 \\ -4.47 & 2.36 \\ -4.45 & -5.39 \\ -5.18 & 0.38 \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduced Lengths = [4.34, 2.82, 5.06, 6.99, 5.19]

Length Ratios = [0.95, 0.89, 0.92, 1.00, 1.00]

# Best Approximation

• Frobenius norm of a matrix C of size  $n \times m$  is

$$||C||_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m C_{ij}^2}$$

- Consider any rank-k approximation  $A_k$  of A
- SVD produces  $A_k^*$  that minimizes the Frobenius norm of the difference
  - Best in terms of sum squared error

$$A_k^* = \arg\min_{A_k: rank = k} ||A - A_k||_F$$

# Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA)

- Applying SVD to term-document matrix is called latent semantic analysis (LSA) or latent semantic indexing (LSI)
- Which lower dimensionality to retain?
- Concept of energy
- Total energy is sum of squares of singular values (also called spread or variance)

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sigma_{ii}^{2}$$

• Retain k dimensions such that p% of the energy is retained

$$E_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_{ii}^2$$
 s.t.  $\frac{E_k}{E} \ge p$ 

- $\bullet$  Generally, p is between  $80\,\%$  to  $95\,\%$
- In the example, k = 1 (k = 2) retains 63% (94%) of energy

#### Discussion

- LSA with around 100-300 dimensions seem to handle synonymy well
  - In English
- SVD is too time-consuming and space-hungry
  - Running time is  $O(m \cdot n \cdot r)$  for A of size  $m \times n$  and rank r
- Does not capture sequence of terms or context

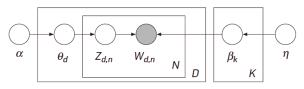
# **Topics**

- He swung the ball more than other fast bowlers
- During lunch break, he eats only bananas
- He was caught chewing the seam of the ball
- To generate more swing, he put a chewing gum
- After his retirement, he ate a lot of chocolates
- Topic 1: cricket; Topic 2: food
- Sentence 1: 100% cricket, 0% food
- Sentence 2: 10% cricket, 90% food
- Sentence 3: 50% cricket, 50% food
- Sentence 4: 30% cricket, 70% food
- Sentence 5: 0% cricket, 100% food

## **LDA**

- Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)
- Generative probabilistic model that assumes
  - Each document is a mixture of topics
  - Each topic has a probability distribution of words
  - Thus, each document is a mixture of distributions of words
- How to generate a corpus of documents?
  - Generate D documents independently
- Repeat D times (documents)
  - Pick a certain length, i.e., number of words N from some distribution P(N) (Poisson)
  - Decide on the multinomial topic distribution P(Z|D=d) involving K topics
- Repeat N times (words)
  - Pick a topic z according to the chosen topic distribution P(Z|D=d)
  - Pick a word P(w|Z=z) from the word distribution P(W|Z=z) corresponding to the topic z
- Latent variables (topics) coming from Dirichlet priors allocate words

### Detailed Model: Plate Notation



#### Parameters

- $\eta$ : Dirichlet prior on per-topic word distribution
- $\beta_k$ : Word distribution for topic k
- ullet  $\alpha$ : Dirichlet prior on per-document topic distribution
- $\theta_d$ : Topic distribution for document d
- $z_{d,n}$ : Topic for  $n^{\text{th}}$  word in  $d^{\text{th}}$  document
- $w_{d,n}$ :  $n^{th}$  word in  $d^{th}$  document

#### Generation

- Choose  $\beta_k \sim Dir(\eta)$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$
- Choose  $\theta_d \sim Dir(\alpha)$  for  $d = 1, \dots, D$
- For each word position d, n for d = 1, ..., D and  $j = 1, ..., N_d$ 
  - Choose topic  $z_{d,n} \sim Multinomial(\theta_d)$
  - Choose word  $w_{d,n} \sim Multinomial(\beta_{z_{d,n}})$

#### Discussion

 Learning LDA involves finding the parameters that maximize the joint probability of words, topics, and documents in the corpus

$$\begin{split} p(\beta_K, \theta_D, z_{D,N}, w_{D,N} | \alpha, \eta) &= \prod_{k=1}^K p(\beta_k | \eta). \prod_{d=1}^D p(\theta_d | \alpha). \\ &\left( \prod_{j=1}^{N_d} \sum_{z_d=1}^K p(z_{d,j} | \theta_d). p(w_{d,j} | \beta_k, z_{d,j}) \right) \end{split}$$

- Can use expectation-maximization (EM)
  - Slow convergence
- Better is to use Gibbs sampling
  - Sample one dimension at a time holding the other dimensions constant
- Around 100-300 topics give better results
- More interpretable

### Term Co-occurrence and Context

- Global Vectors (GloVe)
- Global co-occurrence matrix X
- X<sub>ij</sub> encodes how many times term i has appeared in the context of term j
- Sum of a row  $X_i = \sum_{\forall j} X_{ij}$  denotes the *total* number of occurrences of term i
- Probability that term j occurs in the context of term i is

$$P_{ij} = P(j|i) = \frac{X_{ij}}{X_i}$$

### Raw Probabilities and Ratio

- Raw counts  $X_{ij}$  or even raw probabilities  $P_{ij}$  may not be useful
- ullet Depends a lot on the actual terms i and j
- Also, asymmetric
- Ratio is a better indicator of relevance

|             | P(k ice) | P(k steam) | $\frac{P(k ice)}{P(k steam)}$ |
|-------------|----------|------------|-------------------------------|
| k = solid   | 1.9e-4   | 2.2e-5     | 8.636                         |
| k=gas       | 6.6e-5   | 7.8e-4     | 0.084                         |
| k = water   | 3.0e-3   | 2.2e-3     | 1.363                         |
| k = fashion | 1.7e-5   | 1.8e-5     | 0.944                         |

- "solid" is more relevant to "ice" than "steam"
- "gas" is more relevant to "steam" than "ice"
- "water" is relevant to both "ice" and "steam"
- "fashion" is irrelevant to both "ice" and "steam"

### Ratio of Probabilities

- Therefore, whether a term k is more relevant to term i than term j depends on the ratio  $P_{ik}/P_{jk}$
- Hence, for context vector  $\tilde{w}_k$  and term vectors  $w_i$ ,  $w_j$

$$F(w_i, w_j, \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$$

- Vectors are of some dimensionality d
- Since ratio of probabilities is scalar

$$F((w_i - w_j)^T \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$$

Replacing probabilities by the same functional form

$$F((w_i - w_j)^T \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{F(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k)}{F(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k)}$$

# Symmetry

- Functional form solution is F = exp
- Since  $F(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k) = P_{ik}$

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k = \log(P_{ik}) = \log(X_{ik}) - \log(X_i)$$
$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i = \log(X_{ik})$$

- Bias  $b_i$  encapsulates count of term i
- Symmetric: both terms i and k should be in the context of each other

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k = \log(X_{ik})$$

To avoid zero count problems

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k = \log(1 + X_{ik})$$

# **Objective Function**

ullet Objective function is weighted with (a function of)  $X_{ij}$ 

$$\arg\min_{w_i,w_j,\dots} \sum_{i,j=1}^V f(X_{ij}) (w_i^T \tilde{w}_j + b_i + \tilde{b}_j - \log X_{ij})^2$$

- Properties of weighting function f
  - $f(0) \to 0$
  - f(x) is non-decreasing
  - f(x) should not increase heavily for large values of x
- Following function is used

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{x}{x_{max}}\right)^{\alpha} & \text{if } x < x_{max} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $\alpha = 3/4$
- $x_{max} = 100$

#### Discussion

- Context window of size  $\pm 5$
- Dimensionality of 100 or 300
- Did well on word analogy tasks
  - king:man::woman:?
  - Athens:Greece::Berlin:?
  - a:b::c:?
  - Closest vector to  $\vec{w}_a \vec{w}_b + \vec{w}_c$
- Captures local context and global pairwise statistics