

Websearch using DSSM

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Background

- **TF-IDF**

TF*IDF is a rough way of approximating how users value the relevance of a text match. This technique relies on two parameters :

- Term Frequency: How often does term occur in the document
- Inverse Document Frequency: Inverse document frequency ($1/df$) then measures how special the term is.

- **BM25**
- BM25 is better version of TF-IDF .Term frequency in BM25 dampens the impact of term frequency even further than traditional TF*IDF. The impact of term frequency is always increasing, but asymptotically approaches a value
- But it does word matching so it won't match if we have words of similar meaning.

- **LSA**
- A better approach would allow users to retrieve information on the basis of a *conceptual topic* of a document.
- LSI assumes that there is some underlying or latent structure in word usage .This data is more robust indicator of meaning than individual terms.

Deep Structured Semantic Model

Clickthrough Data:

- Clickthrough data in search engines can be thought of as triplets (q, r, c) consisting of the query q , the ranking r presented to the user, and the set c of links the user clicked on.
- While clickthrough data is typically noisy and clicks are not “perfect” relevance judgments, the clicks are likely to convey some information.

DSSM

Posterior probability
computed by softmax

Relevance measured
by cosine similarity

Semantic feature

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Multi-layer non-
linear projection

l_3

l_2

Word Hashing

l_1

Term Vector

x

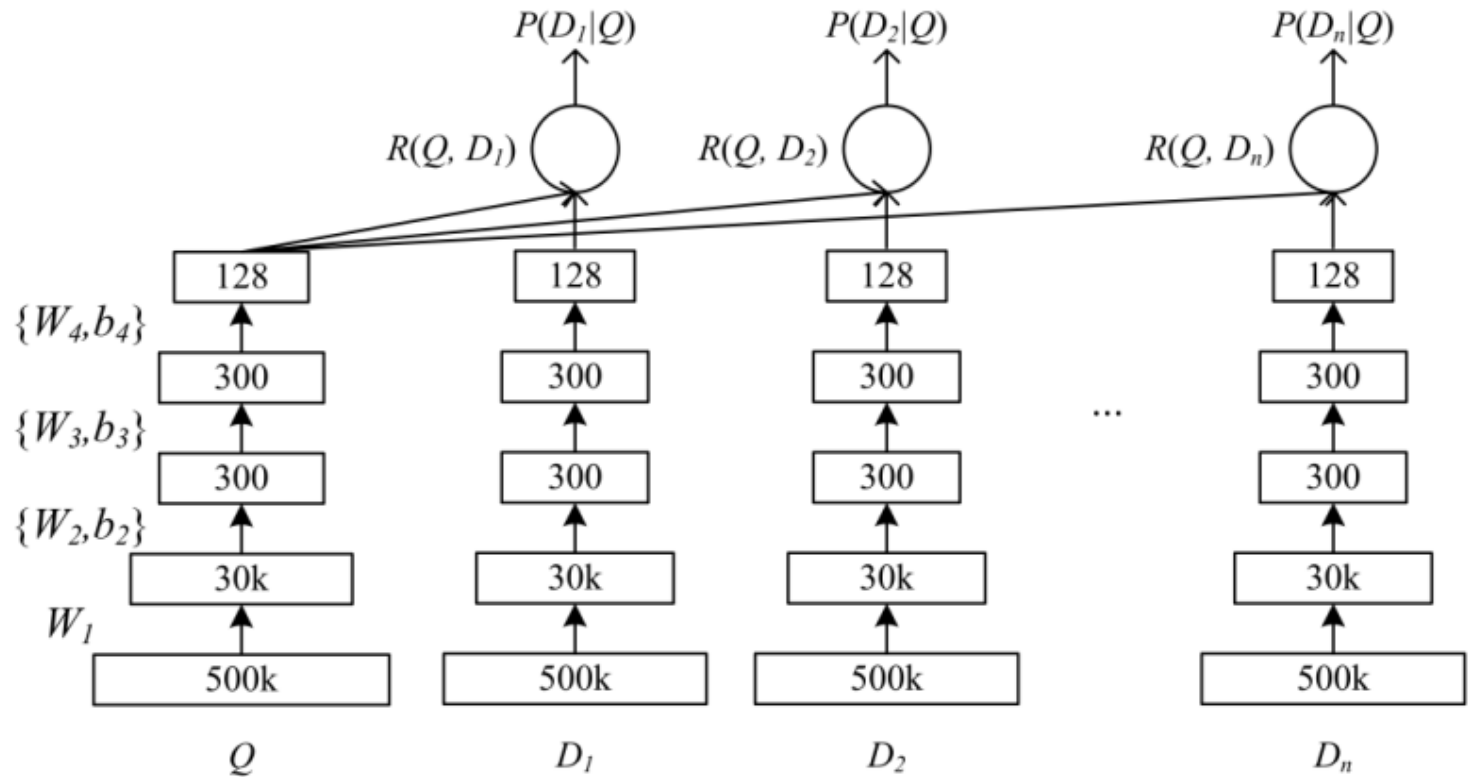


Figure 1: Illustration of the DSSM. It uses a DNN to map high-dimensional sparse text features into low-dimensional dense features in a semantic space. The first hidden layer, with 30k units, accomplishes word hashing. The word-hashed features are then projected through multiple layers of non-linear projections. The final layer's neural activities in this DNN form the feature in the semantic space.

First Layer

- Term Vector – raw bag of words features
- (Q,D)
- D includes D+ and D-

Second Layer

- Word Hashing
 - tri-grams
 - reduce dimension
 - handle out-of-vocabulary problem
 - reduce collision

Cosine similarity

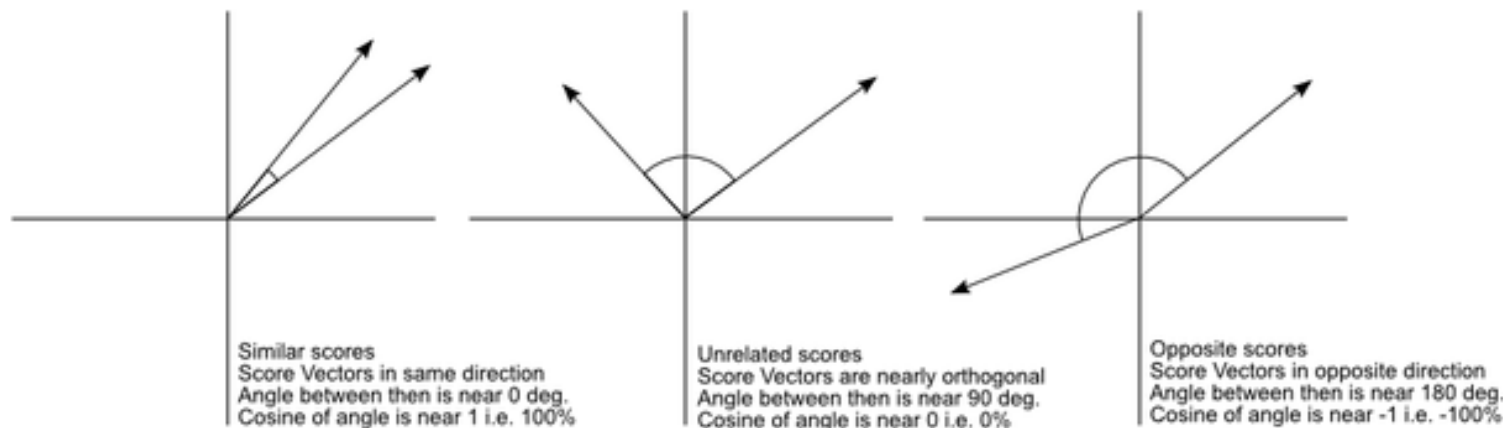
$$R(Q, D) = \text{cosine}(y_Q, y_D) = \frac{y_Q^T y_D}{\|y_Q\| \|y_D\|}$$

YQ= Query vector , YD=Document vector

- Better than Euclidean distance
- It is independent of document length.

Cosine similarity

- Cosine Similarity will generate a metric that says how related are two documents by looking at the angle instead of magnitude.



Hidden Layers

$$l_1 = W_1 x$$

$$l_i = f(W_i l_{i-1} + b_i), i = 2, \dots, N - 1$$

$$y = f(W_N l_{N-1} + b_N)$$

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- W_i is i th weight matrix
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- Tanh activation function
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$$f(x) = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{1 + e^{-2x}}$$

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- we initialize the network weights with uniform distribution in the range between

Softmax function

Loss funct'

$$P(D|Q) = \frac{\exp(\gamma R(Q, D))}{\sum_{D' \in \mathcal{D}} \exp(\gamma R(Q, D'))}$$

$$L(\Lambda) = -\log \prod_{(Q, D^+)} P(D^+|Q)$$

Gradient descent procedure

$$\Lambda_t = \Lambda_{t-1} - \epsilon_t \frac{\partial L(\Lambda)}{\partial \Lambda} \Big|_{\Lambda = \Lambda_{t-1}}$$

RESULT

Results show that the deep structured semantic model is the best performer, beating other methods by a statistically significant margin.

WHY?

- Supervised learning on clickthrough data
- Word hashing allows us to use very large vocabularies for modeling.
- Using a deep architecture.

CONCLUSION

Our model contributes in three ways:

- Use Of clickthrough Data
- The deep architectures adopted have further enhanced the modeling capacity so that more sophisticated semantic structures in queries and documents can be captured and represented
- Third, we use a letter n-gram based word hashing technique

Applications of DSSM

1) **Contextual entity search**

- Given a user-highlighted text span representing an entity of interest
- search for supplementary document for the entity

2) **Automatic highlighting**

- given a document a user is reading
- discover the concepts/entities/topics that interest the user and highlighting the corresponding text span

3) **Document prefetching**

- given a document a user is reading
- Prefetching a document that user will be interested in next

Thank you