Document Expansion by Query Prediction + From doc2query to docTTTTTquery

Thiago Coelho Vieira

1. Questions

- 1. main concepts
- 2. contributions
- 3. interesting/unexpected results
- 4. basic doubts
- 5. advanced topics for discussion

2. Main Concepts Doc2Query and DoctttttQuery

- 1. **vocab mismatch problem**: is a problem, where users use query terms that differ from those used in relevant documents.
- 2. **document expansion:** The process of adding additional terms to a document to improve retrieval effectiveness. In this article, queries for a document are generated to be added to the original document as a way to mitigate vocab mismatch problem and improve retrieval results.

3.1 Contribution Doc2Query

- 1. First application of NN to document expansion TODO: explain how it works
- 2. Inference computational cost using NN was transferred from query/inference time to indexing time
- 3. use BERT
- 4. 400 tokens for the documents and 100 tokens for the queries
- 5. generated queries are concatenated with the documento as input, before indexing
- 6. expanded document is indexed for IR using BM25
- 7. document expansions seems to be more effective than query expansion on the selected datasets

3.2 Contribution doctttttquery

- 1. uses T5 (encoder-decoder) instead of BERT (encoder)
- 2. 512 tokens documents and 64 tokens query
- 3. improved the results compared with the original doc2query article. T5 (220M) is 4x the original doc2query model size (60M)
- 4. low cost for training
- 5. better results using only the generated queries than with the document itself. Best result doc + queries

4. Results

- 1. overhead transfered from inference time to indexing time
- 2. no major latency time increase in inference time
- 3. for the use in IR a couple of new tokens need to be added to BM25 inverted index
- 4. introduced a method for neural search using seq2seq models as a offline step before indexing in a IR pipeline

5. Basic Doubts

- 1. thess approaches is suitable in what cenarios?
 - 1. bigger documents or smaller documents
 - 2. as a way to improve indexing time