

N-Gram Modelling

Introduction to Markov Chains, bigrams and trigrams

TF-IDF Model – Model

| Words/ Documents | going | to | today | i | am | it | is | rain |
|---------------------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Document 1 | 0 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0 | 0 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.17 |
| Document 2 | 0 | 0 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Document 3 | 0 | 0.05 | 0 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Markov Chains – States

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N-Gram Modelling – What are N-Grams?

“An N-gram is a contiguous sequence of n items from a given sample of text or speech” – Wikipedia

Items refer to states in Markov Chains

Items can be “characters”, “words”, “sentences” etc.

N-Gram Modelling – What are N-Grams?

$N = 2$, then bigrams

$N = 3$, then trigrams

and so on

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

Characters are the states of Markov Chains

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

$N = 2$

Bigrams = ‘th’, ‘he’, ‘e ’, ‘ b’, ‘bi’, ‘ir’, ‘rd’, ‘d ’, ‘ i’ etc.

$N = 3$

Trigrams = ‘the’, ‘he ’, ‘e b’, ‘ bi’, ‘bir’, ‘ird’, ‘rd ’, ‘d i’ etc

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

Consider only trigrams,

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

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Consider only trigrams,

Window size = $N = 3$

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

Trigrams

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N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

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N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

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N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

the **bird** is flying on the blue sky

Trigrams

the

he

e b

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bir

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

the bird is flying on the blue sky

Trigrams

the

he

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ird

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

the **bird** is flying on the blue sky

| Trigrams | Next |
|----------|------|
| the | → |
| he | → b |
| e b | → i |
| bi | → r |
| bir | → d |
| ird | → |

N-Gram Modelling – Word Grams

Words are the states of Markov Chains

N-Gram Modelling – Word Grams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

N-Gram Modelling – Character Grams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

Consider only trigrams,

Window size = $N = 3$ (Words)

N-Gram Modelling – Word Grams

Trigrams

“the bird is flying on the blue sky”

N-Gram Modelling – Word Grams

Trigrams
the bird is

the bird is flying on the blue sky

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Trigrams
the bird is
bird is flying

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| the blue sky | → | |

N-Gram Modelling – Usage

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| flying on the | → | [blue, orange] |
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N-Gram Modelling – Usage

“the bird is flying on”

N-Gram Modelling – Usage

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N-Gram Modelling – Usage

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N-Gram Modelling – Usage

“the bird is flying on the blue sky.”

N-Gram Modelling – Usage

“the bird is sleeping”

“the bird is flying on the orange”

N-Gram Modelling – Additional Reading

Text Mining, Analytics & More – What are N-grams?

<http://text-analytics101.rxnlp.com/2014/11/what-are-n-grams.html>