CAB431 Tutorial (Week 9): Information Filtering **SOLUTION**

Information filtering systems are used to remove irrelevant information (or unwanted information) from the information flow based on user information needs. The difficult problem is how to acquire knowledge of user information needs or topics of interest.

A popular solution to this dilemma is to use text mining to gain knowledge from relevant user feedback, with a training set D (or labeled dataset) consisting of a set of relevant documents D^+ and a set of irrelevant (non-relevant) documents D^- .

For example, in week 8 workshop, you can find a training set D which includes documents in "Training_set" folder, and relevance judgments (benchmark) in file "Training_benchmark.txt". The set of relevant documents D^+ and the set of irrelevant documents D^- are as follows:

$$D^+ = \{d \mid d \in D, \text{ its label in Training_benchmark.txt is "1"}\}$$

 $D^- = \{d \mid d \in D, \text{ its label in Training_benchmark.txt is "0"}\}$

The following procedure (see lecture notes) shows how to select features from training set D.

procedure $BM25termWeighting(D, D^+, D^-)$

- (1) Let $T = \emptyset$, N = |D|, $R = |D^+|$ $T = \{t_k \in d_i, d_i \in D^+\} \text{ # a set comprehension to find all terms in } D^+$
- (2) for all $t_k \in T$ do { $n(t_k)=0, r(t_k)=0$ }
- (3) for all $t_k \in T$ do

for all $d_i \in D$ do if $\tau(t_k, d_i)=1$ then $n(t_k) = n(t_k) + 1$

(4) for all $t_k \in T$ do

for all $d_i \in D^+$ do if $\tau(t_k, d_i)=1$ then $r(t_k) = r(t_k) + 1$

(5) for all $t_k \in T$ do

$$w_5 = \left[\frac{r(t_k) + 0.5}{R - r(t_k) + 0.5} \right] \div \left[\frac{n(t_k) - r(t_k) + 0.5}{\left(N - n(t_k)\right) - \left(R - r(t_k)\right) + 0.5} \right]$$

Task 1. (Feature selection from training set *D*)

Design a python program to evaluate terms weights (define function w5) using the above procedure; and then select top-terms (e.g., their weights are great than the *mean* of the w5 weights of terms $+\theta$), where θ is an experimental parameter.

You can firstly design a function w5 using the following

Inputs: Training_set folder, Training_benchmark.txt and θ Outpout: a dictionary of features with their w5 weights

Then in the main program, save the features to a text file (Model_w5_R102.dat) with the following outcomes:

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rapist 106.20000000000002
multipl 39.77987421383647
unemploy 37.85714285714286
site 35.98159509202454
convict 31.774193548387096
featur 30.62130177514793
mistak 22.48603351955307
unknown 20.96685082872928
present 19.48087431693989
grief 18.027027027027028
defend 16.604278074866308
father 15.8064
ground 15.21164021164021
bungl 14.627906976744185
inquiri 14.337634408602149
cabinet 13.848167539267015
debat 13.848167539267015
plus 13.848167539267015
wive 13.848167539267015
bewild 13.848167539267015
earli 13.404968944099378
fate 13.029350104821802
nine 12.9911111111111111
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Task 2. Rank documents in Test set folder (*U*) based on *Features* to test the BM25 model.

(1) Design an algorithm, "**procedure** BM25Testing(Features, U)", to calculate BM25 ranking score for all documents in U and return a dictionary of $\{doc1: rank1, ...\}$.

Solution:

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Procedure BM25Testing(Features, U)
(1) Rel = \{\}
(2) For all d \in U do \{ rank(d) =0; For all term in Features do

If \tau(term, d) = 1 then rank(d) = rank(d) + Features[term] Rel[d] = rank(d)
(3) Return Rel
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(2) Design a Python function to implement **procedure** *BM25Testing*(*U*, *Features*), and save all documents in a file name "rankBM25.txt" as follows:

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3827 520.5045275357625
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3833 516.1318289439776
4306 492.4045372037915
9703 488.95511782538625
8333 445.94029629025107
7118 408.65233456451114
3828 404.2271828695591
7502 394.9948992699487
9790 386.9413050322148
6498 385.8329976942741
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Task 3. Read a ranking result file (e.g., "rankBM25.txt"), calculate its Average Precision. Design a python program to

- (1) Calculate Recall and Precision at rank positions where a relevant document was retrieved.
- (2) Calculate the average precision.

Print out the results as follows:

At position 1, precision= 1.0

At position 2, precision= 1.0

At position 3, precision= 1.0

At position 4, precision= 1.0

At position 5, precision= 1.0

At position 6, precision= 1.0

At position 7, precision= 1.0

At position 8, precision= 1.0

At position 9, precision= 1.0

At position 10, precision= 1.0

...

---The average precision= 1.0