

The Expected Determinant of the Random Gram Matrix and its Application to Information Retrieval Systems

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Selective Latent Semantic Indexing

Efficiently estimates the singular values based on

- ▶ probability models, and
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in order to

- ▶ compute singular values faster, and
- ▶ improve information retrieval.

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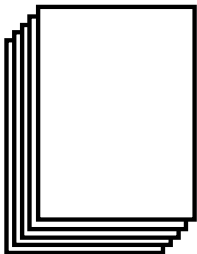
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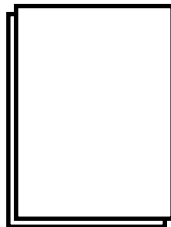
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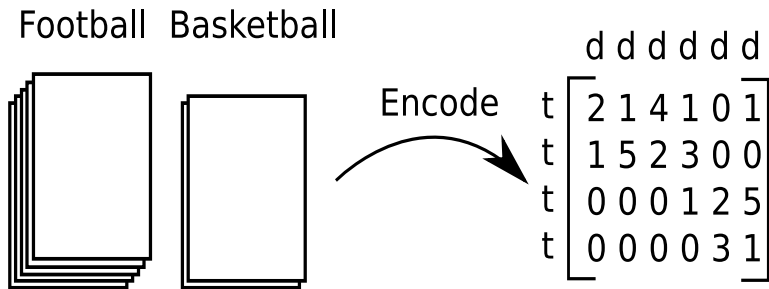
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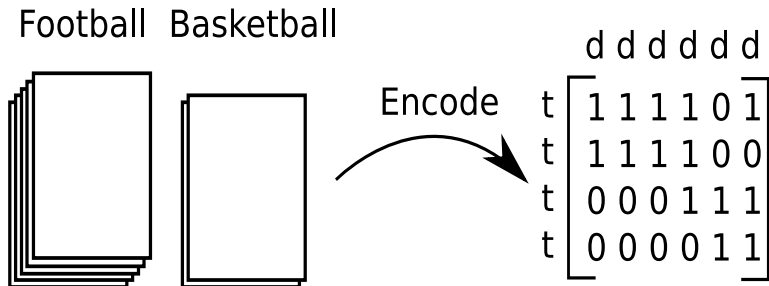
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Counting Representation



Indicator Representation



Singular Value Decomposition

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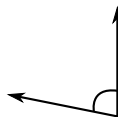
Measure all *intratopic* (same) and *intertopic* (different) angles in the reduced space to calculate $O(\epsilon)$ -**skewness**

Same Topics



less than $O(\epsilon)$

Different Topics



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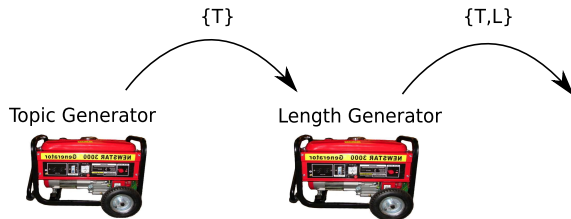
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Topic Generator



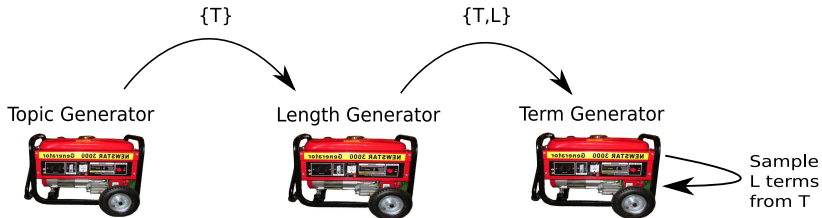
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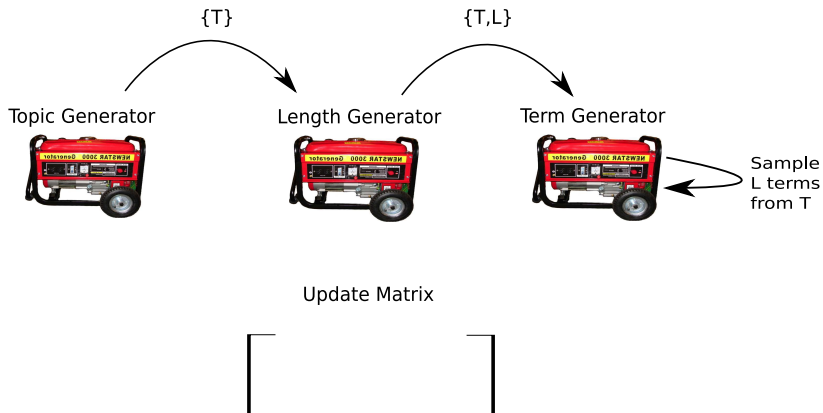
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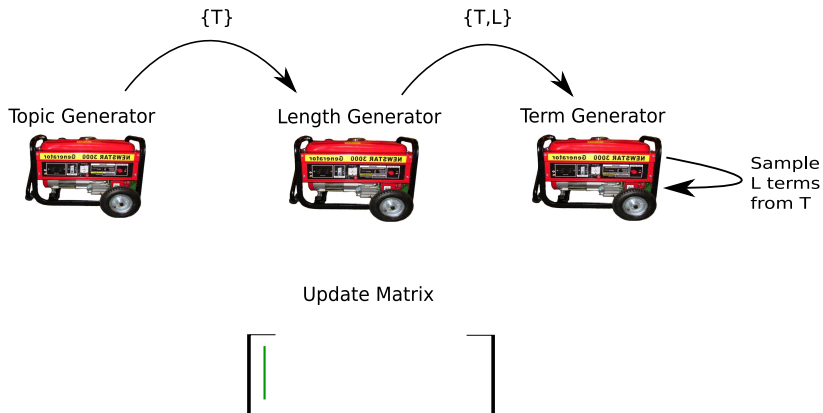
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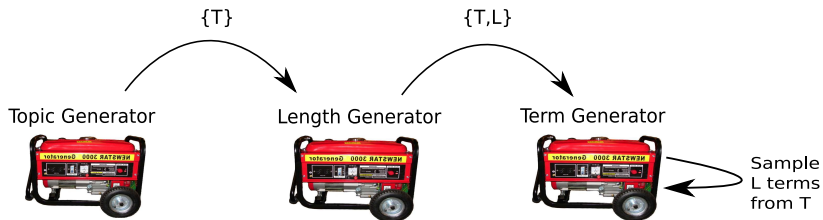
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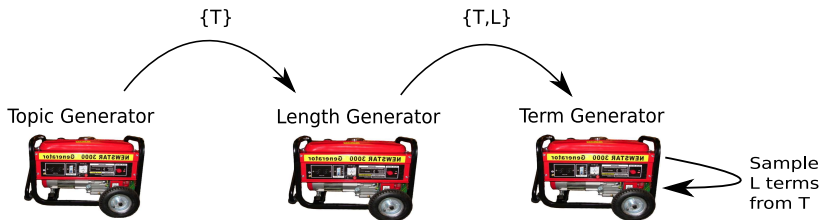


Update Matrix



Document Generation Model

Creating a Document



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Pure Document Generation Models

A model is **pure** when each document is on a single topic

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t_1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
t_2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
t_3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
t_4	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
t_5	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
t_6	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
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$$T_1 = \{t_1, t_2, t_3\}$$

$$T_2 = \{t_4, t_5, t_6\}$$

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Theorem (Papadimitriou *et al.*)

The rank- k SVD is 0-skewed with probability $1 - O(\frac{1}{m})$ when performed on any $t \times m$ matrix drawn from a pure document generation model with k topics.

Pure Document Generation Models

Perturbing the matrix A with $\|E\|_F = O(\varepsilon)$

$$\begin{bmatrix}
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 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
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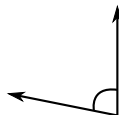
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$$T_2's \text{ eigenvalues} = \{\mathbf{6228.43}, \mathbf{1241.57}\}$$

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However, things can go wrong, even when we normalize the matrix!

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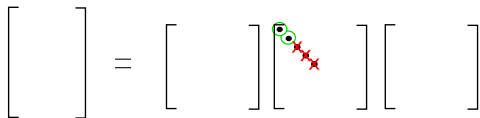
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Predict and **select** the singular values *according to each topic*.

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Expectation¹

Predict singular values using the expectation operator E (which is linear).

$$E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

$$E(cX) = cE(X)$$

¹In probability theory the expected value of a discrete random variable is the sum of the probability of each possible outcome of the experiment multiplied by the outcome value.

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Random Gram² Matrices


Let w be a t -tall vector whose components w_i are random variables (not necessarily independent)

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_t \end{bmatrix} .$$

Next, sample n independent vectors $w^{(1)}, \dots, w^{(n)}$; creating a $t \times n$ matrix B . Then the random gram matrix of size n is

$$G_n = B^T B ,$$

and has a distribution that depends on the underlying distribution of the random vector w .

²Jørgen Pedersen Gram (1850-1916) was a Danish Mathematician 

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Generating Functions

*A generating function is a clothesline on which we hang up a sequence of numbers for display.*³

What is the generating function for a sequence of n ones?

1, 1, 1, 1, ...

$$\frac{1 - x^n}{1 - x} = 1 + x^1 + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - x^n &= (1 - x)(1 + x^1 + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^{n-1}) \\ &= (1 + x^1 + x^2 + \dots + x^{n-1}) - (x^1 + x^2 + x^3 + \dots + x^n) \\ &= 1 - x^n \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1 - x} \quad (|x| < 1)$$

³Herbert Wilf. *Generatingfunctionology* (2004)

E(det(G_n)) Exponential Generating Function

Based on Euler's⁴ infinite expansion

$$\exp \{x\} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!} \quad ,$$

and the Leibniz⁵ formula for the determinant,

$$\det(G_n) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} (-1)^{\text{sgn}(\sigma)} \prod_{i=1}^n (G_n)_{i, \sigma(i)} \quad ,$$

we have proven the following exponential generating function equation for $a_n = E(\det(G_n))$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^n}{n!} = \exp \left\{ \frac{c_1 x}{1} - \frac{c_2 x^2}{2} + \frac{c_3 x^3}{3} - \dots \right\}. \quad (2)$$

(the c_i 's will be defined shortly)

⁴Leonhard Euler (1707-1783). A Swiss Mathematician and Physicist

⁵Gottfried Leibniz: (1646-1716) A German Mathematician and Natural Philosopher

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Differentiate both sides to help discover a recursion...

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n+1} \frac{x^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^n}{n!} (c_1 - c_2 x + c_3 x^2 - \dots). \quad (4)$$

By equating the coefficients of $\left[\frac{x^n}{n!}\right]$ on the left and right hand side, we find:

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_{n+1} = \sum_j \binom{n}{j} (-1)^j j! a_{n-j} c_{j+1}$$

What about the c_i ???

Define,

$$M_{ij} = E(w_i w_j) \tag{5}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} c_j &= \text{trace}(M^j) \\ &= \lambda_1^j + \dots + \lambda_t^j \end{aligned}$$

Representations

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{d d d d d d} \\
 \text{t} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
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 \quad \text{vs} \quad
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To get the expected characteristic coefficients, we just need to create $M_{ij} = E(w_i w_j)$ according to the representation used.

0, 1 indicator function

$$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } \textit{term}_i \text{ is not present in } \textit{doc}_j \\ 1, & \text{if } \textit{term}_i \text{ is present in } \textit{doc}_j \end{cases}$$

$$M_{ii} = \sum_{t_i \geq 1} \dots$$

$$= 1 - (1 - p_i)^l$$

$$M_{ij} = \sum_{\substack{t_i \geq 1 \\ t_j \geq 1}}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{t_i \geq 0 \\ t_j \geq 0}} - \sum_{\substack{t_i = 0 \\ t_j \geq 0}} - \sum_{\substack{t_i \geq 0 \\ t_j = 0}} - \sum_{\substack{t_i = 0 \\ t_j = 0}}$$

$$= 1 - (1 - p_i)^l - (1 - p_j)^l - (1 - p_i - p_j)^l$$

-1, 1 indicator function

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$$M_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 1 - 4(1 - p_i - p_j)^l - 2(1 - p_i)^l - 2(1 - p_j)^l & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Counting function

A_{ij} = number of times $term_i$ appears in doc_j

$$M_{ij} = \begin{cases} \sum_l (l(l-1)p_i^2 + lp_i) prob(l), & i = j \\ \sum_l (l(l-1)p_i p_j) prob(l), & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Complexity Sketch

$$a_0 \binom{m}{0} (-\lambda)^m + a_1 \binom{m}{1} (-\lambda)^{m-1} + a_2 \binom{m}{2} (-\lambda)^{m-2} + \dots + a_t \binom{m}{t} (-\lambda)^{m-t}$$

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$$a_{n+1} = \sum_j \binom{n}{j} (-1)^j j! a_{n-j} c_{j+1}$$

- ▶ t coefficients to compute
- ▶ The $c_j = \text{trace}(M^j)$ can be parallelized (hypercube) down to $O(t)$

Complexity Sketch

Nice properties of our algorithm:

- ▶ Simple and easily parallelized
- ▶ Doesn't depend on the number of documents (full SVD is $O(m^2n + n^2m + n^3)$ with Golub-Reinsch algorithm)
- ▶ Reduced computation of characteristic coefficients to a recursion involving symmetric matrix powers.
- ▶ Accuracy increases as more documents are included

Singular Value Calculation Times


Read matrix, infer model, calculate expected coeffs, get roots

	32 x 500,000	32 x 1,000,000
Maple	580.63 secs	1211.59 secs
Selective	4.10 secs	10.47 secs

Table: Singular value calculation times of two random matrices for both Maple and Selective (not parallelized)

Information Retrieval Comparison

Compare retaining the largest

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Information Retrieval: (Real world sports articles)

	Algorithm	Intratopic Cosine	Intertopic Cosine
Rank 2	Selective	0.998	0.037
	LSI	0.767	0.620
Rank 4	Selective	0.821	0.040
	LSI	0.625	0.433
Rank 8	Selective	0.653	0.038
	LSI	0.673	0.007

Table: Comparison of our algorithm to traditional latent semantic indexing.

Information Retrieval: (Probabilistic documents)

	Algorithm	Intratopic cosine	Intertopic cosine
Rank 2	Selective	1.0	0.0
	LSI	0.46	0.04

Table: Average cosine over 100 different groups of 1000 random documents generated from a probabilistic document generation model containing two topics with probability 99% and 1%.

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