Math with Words

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Reference 1

• Chapter 3: Math with words (TF-IDF vectors)





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Types of Bags of Words

Definition: A simple NLP model representing text data based on word occurrence.

- 1. Standard Bag of Words: Counts word occurrences in a document.
- 2. Binary Bag of Words: Indicates presence (1) or absence (0) of words.
- **3.** N-Grams: Extends BoW by including word pairs or tuples as features.
- **4. TF (Term Frequency)**: Adjusts BoW counts to reflect frequency rather than occurrence.

Zipf's Law in Natural Languages

- **Definition**: Observes that the frequency of any word is inversely proportional to its rank in the frequency table.
- Implication: A few words are used very often, while many are used rarely.
- Example: "the", "is", and "and" often appear at the top of English word frequency counts.
- Application: Helps in understanding natural language patterns and optimizing algorithms.

Zipf's Law Examples

City Population Distribution



Most common words in a document

```
>>> token counts.most common(20)
[('the', 69971),
 ('of', 36412),
 ('and', 28853),
 ('to', 26158),
 ('a', 23195),
 ('in', 21337),
 ('that', 10594),
 ('is', 10109),
 ('was', 9815),
 ('he', 9548),
 ('for', 9489),
 ('it', 8760),
 ('with', 7289),
 ('as', 7253),
 ('his', 6996),
 ('on', 6741),
 ('be', 6377),
 ('at', 5372),
 ('by', 5306),
 ('i', 5164)]
```

Term Frequency (TF)

- **Definition**: Measures how frequently a term appears in a document.
- TF(*t*, *d*) = (Number of times term *t* appears in document *d*) ÷ (Total number of terms in document *d*)
- Purpose: To normalize word counts based on document length.

Example

from collections import Counter

```
def compute_tf(document):
    words = document.lower().split()
    word_counts = Counter(words)
    total_words = len(word_counts)
    tf = {word: count / total_words for word, count in
        word_counts.items()}
    return tf
# Example document
document = "Cats love playing with cats"
tf = compute_tf(document)
print(tf)
```

{'cats': 0.5, 'love': 0.25, 'playing': 0.25, 'with': 0.25}

Representing the Words of a Document as a Vector

- Vector Space Model: Conceptualizes documents as vectors of identifiers.
- **Dimensions**: Each unique word represents a dimension in the vector space.
- Word Vectors: Documents are encoded as numerical vectors based on word occurrences or TF.
- Use: Facilitates the comparison of documents through mathematical operations.



Inverse Document Frequency (IDF)

- **Definition**: Measures how important a term is across a set of documents.
- IDF(t, D) = log(Total number of documents D ÷
 Number of documents with term t)
- **Purpose**: To weigh down the frequent terms while scaling up the rare ones.

Example

```
import math
# Total number of documents
N = 100000
# Number of documents containing each term
n apple = 20000
n quantum = 500
# Calculate IDF for each term
idf apple = math.log(N / n apple)
idf quantum = math.log(N / n_quantum)
```

```
print(idf_apple, idf_quantum)
```

$1.\,6094379124341003\ 5.298317366548036$

TF-IDF Vectors

- Combination: Multiplication of TF and IDF scores for each term.
- TF-IDF(t, d, D) = TF(t, d) × IDF(t, D)

• **Result**: Reflects the importance of words within documents relative to a document set.

Applications of TF-IDF

- Information Retrieval: Improves search engine relevance by scoring document relevance.
- **Document Classification**: Helps in categorizing documents into different classes.
- Feature Selection: Identifies relevant words for use in machine learning models.
- **Text Summarization**: Assists in identifying key sentences based on term significance.

Estimating Similarity Using Cosine Similarity

- **Definition**: Measures the cosine of the angle between two vectors.
- Application: Determines the similarity between two documents in the vector space.
- Cosine Similarity = $\cos \Theta = (\text{Dot product of vectors}) \div$ (Product of their magnitudes)
- Range: -1 (opposite) to 1 (identical), where 0 indicates orthogonality (no similarity).



Example: Similarity using TF-IDF Vectors

from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine similarity

```
# Example documents
document 1 = "The school is large."
document 2 = "His school is my school too."
document 3 = "The student goes to school."
```

Put the documents into a list for vectorization
documents = [document 1, document 2, document 3]

```
# Create a TfidfVectorizer object
tfidf vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer()
```

Fit and transform the documents
tfidf_matrix = tfidf_vectorizer.fit_transform(documents)

Example: Similarity using TF-IDF Vectors

```
print(tfidf_vectorizer.get_feature_names_out())
print(tfidf_matrix.shape)
```

```
print(f"Cosine Similarity: {similarity}")
```

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