

COS 584

Advanced Natural Language Processing

P3: Word Embeddings

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Improving Distributional Similarity with Lessons Learned from Word Embeddings

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Key takeaways

Count-based approaches

- Used since the 90s
- Sparse word-context PPMI matrix
- Decomposed with SVD

Prediction-based approaches (word embeddings)

- Formulated as a machine learning problem
- Word2vec (Mikolov et al., 2013)
- GloVe (Pennington et al., 2014)

Underlying theory: The Distributional Hypothesis (Firth, '57) "Similar words occur in similar contexts"

- Count-based and prediction-based approaches perform comparably, if you tune the **hyper-parameters** extensively...
- The hyper-parameters used in word2vec/GloVe can be transferable to count-based approaches!
- **Hyper-parameters** have stronger effects than algorithms and *more data*.

Historical context:)

(Mikolov et al., NIPS'2013)

Distributed Representations of Words and Phrases and their Compositionality

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(Baroni et al., ACL'2014)

Don't count, predict! A systematic comparison of context-counting vs. context-predicting semantic vectors

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GloVe: Global Vectors for Word Representation

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Historical context:)

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Neural Word Embedding as Implicit Matrix Factorization

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SGNS (= skip-gram with negative-sampling)'s corpus-level achieves its optimal value when:

$$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{c} = \text{PMI}(w, c) - \log k$$

Four types of word representations

- PPMI
- PPMI + SVD
- SGNS
- GloVe

$$PMI(word_1, word_2) = \log_2 \frac{P(word_1, word_2)}{P(word_1)P(word_2)}$$

$$PPMI(word_1, word_2) = \max \left(\log_2 \frac{P(word_1, word_2)}{P(word_1)P(word_2)}, 0 \right)$$

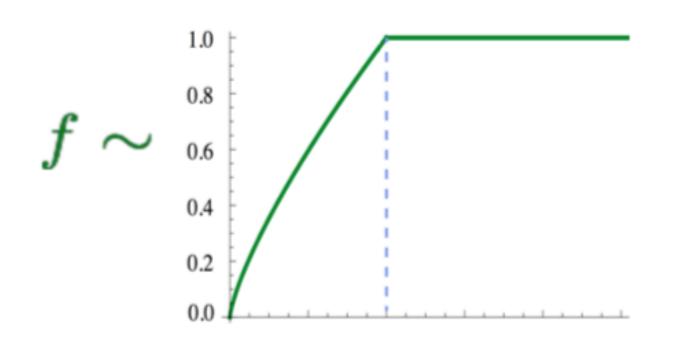
$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} W \\ W \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ k \times |V| \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|V| \times |V| \qquad |V| \times k \qquad k \times k$$

$$y = -\log \left(\sigma(\mathbf{u}_x \cdot \mathbf{v}_c)\right) - \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbb{E}_{j \sim P(w)} \log \left(\sigma(-\mathbf{u}_x \cdot \mathbf{v}_j)\right)$$

GloVe: Global Vectors

• Key idea: let's approximate $\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j$ using their co-occurrence counts $X_{i,j}$ directly.



$$J(\theta) = \sum_{i,j \in V} f(X_{i,j}) \left(\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j + b_i + \tilde{b}_j - \log X_{i,j} \right)^2$$

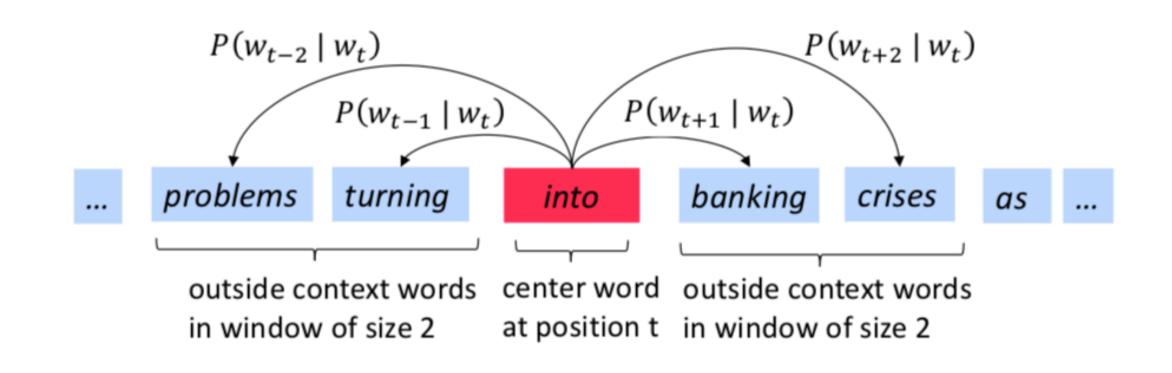
If we take $b_i = \log(X_i)$, $\tilde{b}_j = \log(X_j)$, GloVe is also similar to factorizing the PMI matrix!

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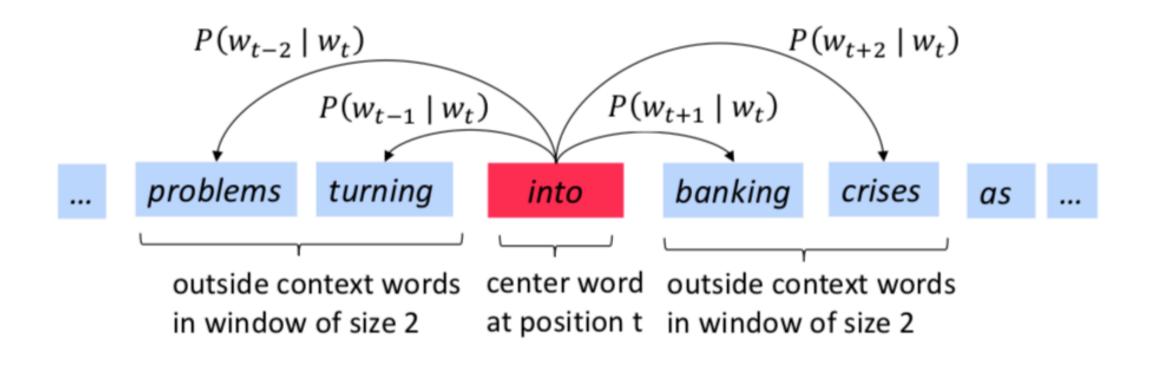
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parameter	Values	Methods
win	2, 5, 10	All
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sub	none, dirty, clean [†]	All
del	none, with [†]	All
neg	1, 5, 15	PPMI, SVD, SGNS
cds	1, 0.75	PPMI, SVD, SGNS
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win = window size (# words to the left/right)

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Dyn = dynamic context window (different weighting for different positions of context words)

1/5 2/5 3/5 4/5 5/5 vs.

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sub = sub-sampling (removing very frequent words, e.g., a, the)

Each word w_i in the training set is discarded with probability:

$$P(w_i) = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{t}{f(w_i)}}$$

$$t = 10^{\{-5\}}$$
, $f = unigram prob.$

dirty/clean: remove frequent words before and after collecting (word, context) pairs - perform similarly

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neg = K in negative sampling

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$$SPPMI(w, c) = \max (PMI(w, c) - \log k, 0)$$

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In word2vec, they sample negative words according to the frequency:

$$P_{\alpha}(w) = \frac{count(w)^{\alpha}}{\sum_{w'} count(w')^{\alpha}}$$

$$PMI_{\alpha}(w,c) = \log \frac{\hat{P}(w,c)}{\hat{P}(w)\hat{P}_{\alpha}(c)}$$

$$\hat{P}_{\alpha}(c) = \frac{\#(c)^{\alpha}}{\sum_{c} \#(c)^{\alpha}}$$

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w+c: adding context vectors

$$sim(x,y) = \frac{sim_2(x,y) + sim_1(x,y)}{\sqrt{sim_1(x,x) + 1}\sqrt{sim_1(y,y) + 1}}$$

"They appear in similar contexts" +
"they appear in context of each other"

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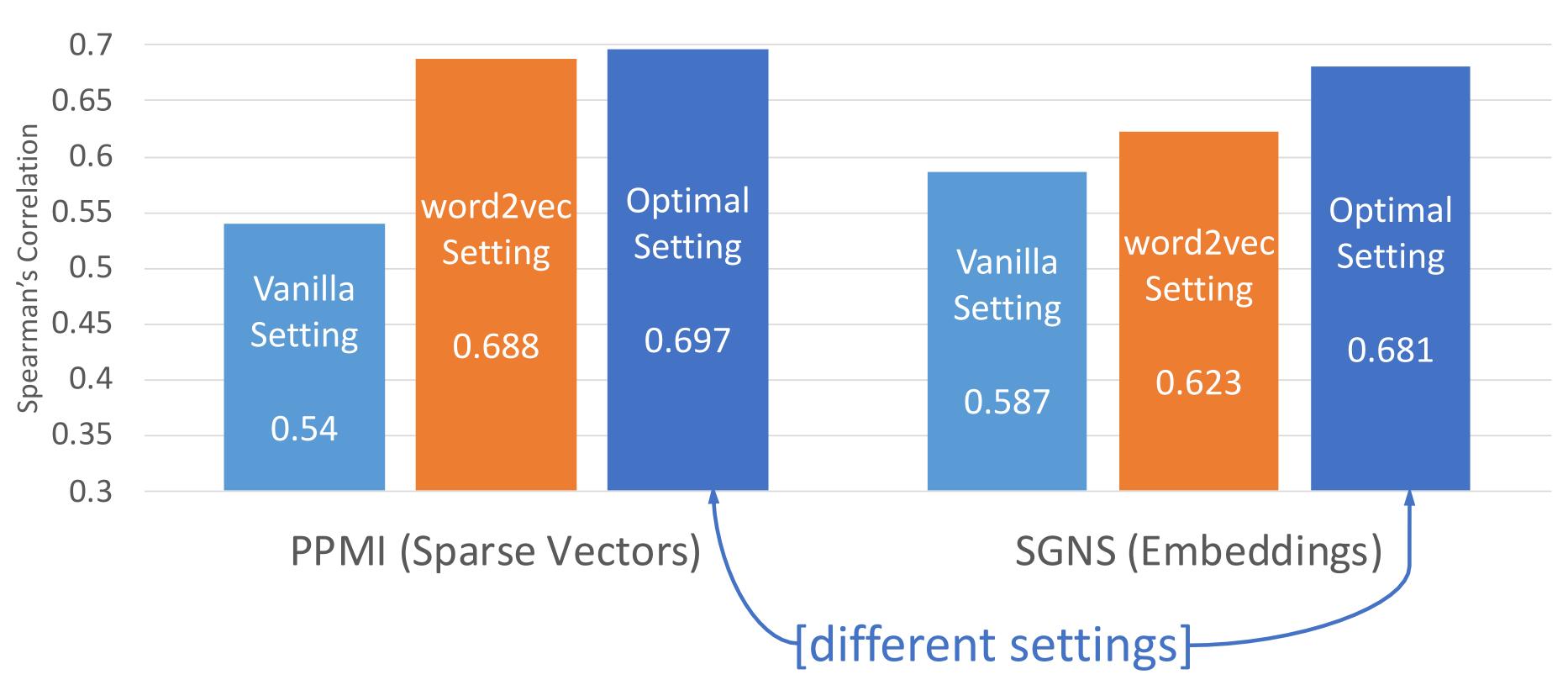
$$W^{\text{SVD}} = U_d \cdot \Sigma_d \qquad C^{\text{SVD}} = V_d$$

$$W = U_d \cdot \sqrt{\Sigma_d} \qquad C = V_d \cdot \sqrt{\Sigma_d}$$

$$W = U_d$$
 $C = V_d$

Main results





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	Mathad	WordSim	WordSim	Bruni et al.	Radinsky et al.	Luong et al.	Hill et al.	Google	MSR
win	Method	Similarity	Relatedness	MEN	M. Turk	Rare Words	SimLex	Add / Mul	Add / Mul
	PPMI	.732	.699	.744	.654	.457	.382	.552 / .677	.306 / .535
2	SVD	.772	.671	.777	.647	.508	.425	.554 / .591	.408 / .468
2	SGNS	.789	.675	.773	.661	.449	.433	.676 / .689	.617 / .644
	GloVe	.720	.605	.728	.606	.389	.388	.649 / .666	.540 / .591
	PPMI	.732	.706	.738	.668	.442	.360	.518 / .649	.277 / .467
_	SVD	.764	.679	.776	.639	.499	.416	.532 / .569	.369 / .424
3	SGNS	.772	.690	.772	.663	.454	.403	.692 / .714	.605 / .645
	GloVe	.745	.617	.746	.631	.416	.389	.700 / .712	.541 / .599
	PPMI	.735	.701	.741	.663	.235	.336	.532 / .605	.249 / .353
10	SVD	.766	.681	.770	.628	.312	.419	.526 / .562	.356 / .406
10	SGNS	.794	.700	.775	.678	.281	.422	.694 / .710	.520 / .557
	GloVe	.746	.643	.754	.616	.266	.375	.702 / .712	.463 / .519
10	SGNS-LS	.766	.681	.781	.689	.451	.414	.739 / .758	.690 / .729
10	GloVe-LS	.678	.624	.752	.639	.361	.371	.732 / .750	.628 / .685

3COSADD vs 3COSMUL

a is to
$$a^*$$
 as b is to?
$$\arg \max_{b^*} (\cos(b^*, b - a + a^*))$$
$$\arg \max_{b^*} \left(\frac{\cos(b^*, b) \cos(b^*, a^*)}{\cos(b^*, a)} \right)$$

queen ∩ king	queen ∩ woman		
uncrowned	Elizabeth		
majesty	Katherine		
second	impregnate		
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Main results

• (Baroni et al, 2014): "word2vec is better than count-based methods"



• (Pennington et al, 2014): "GloVe is better than word2vec"



- Two things that made their SVD results much better than previously reported:
 - Use context distribution smoothing
 - Don't use default SVD (eig = 1)
- Use many negative examples for SGNS but shifted PPMI doesn't help.

eig	Average Performance
0	.612
0.5	.611
1	.551
0	.616
0.5	.612
1	.534
0	.584
0.5	.567
1	.484
	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0.5 \\ 1 \\ 0.5 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} $

Discussion

• Q2: Which claims in Levy et al., 2015 are most interesting or surprising to you? If you are going to construct a set of word embeddings on a new domain of text, what will be your choices (models and hyper-parameters)?

Conclusions: Methodology

Look for hyperparameters

Adapt hyperparameters across different algorithms

• For good results: tune hyperparameters

For good science: tune baselines' hyperparameters

Thank you :)