# Previously on 95-865...

# What is PMI Measuring?

Probability of A and B co-occurring



if equal to 1  $\rightarrow$  A, B are indep.

Probability of A and B co-occurring if they were independent

# PMI measures (the log of) a ratio that says how far A and B are from being independent

There are *lots* of connections of information theory to prediction Rough intuition: Something surprising ↔ less predictable ↔ more bits to store

# Looking at All Pairs of Outcomes

- PMI measures how P(A, B) differs from P(A)P(B) using a log ratio
- Log ratio isn't the only way to compare!
- Another way to compare:

$$\frac{[P(A, B) - P(A) P(B)]^{2}}{P(A) P(B)}$$
between 0 and 1  

$$P(A) P(B) \qquad 0 \Rightarrow \text{ pairs are all indep.}$$
Phi-square = 
$$\sum_{A, B} \frac{[P(A, B) - P(A) P(B)]^{2}}{P(A) P(B)}$$
Measures how close all pairs of outcomes are close to being indep.

Phi-square is

Chi-square =  $N \times Phi$ -square

N = sum of all co-occurrence counts (in upper right of triangle earlier)

# **Example: Phi-Square Calculation**



# **Back to Earlier Example**

	Tesla	Apple	
Elon Musk	300	1	
Tim Cook	1	195	

Often we know what kind of named entities are found

Example: Elon Musk and Tim Cook are people, Tesla and Apple are companies

 $\rightarrow$  can ask what people are related to what companies

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PMI, phi-square, chi-square calculations done same way as before

Main things to calculate first:

P(Elon Musk, Tesla) P(Elon Musk)

P(Elon Musk, Apple)

P(Tim Cook)

P(Tim Cook, Tesla)

P(Tim Cook, Apple)

P(Apple)

P(Tesla)

The math here is actually a bit easier to think about because the rows and columns aren't indexing the same items

# **Back to Earlier Example**



# Summary: Co-Occurrences

- Joint probability P(A, B) can be poor indicator of whether A and B co-occurring is "interesting"
- Find interesting relationships between pairs of items by looking at PMI
  - Intuition: "Interesting" co-occurring events should occur more frequently than if they were to co-occur independently
- In practice: some times it is helpful to generalize PMI and look instead at

 $PMI_{\rho}(A, B) = Iog_{2} \frac{P(A, B)^{\rho}}{P(A) P(B)}$ Tune parameter  $\rho > 0$ (we'll talk about parameter tuning later in the course)

#### **Co-occurrence Analysis Applications**

- If you're an online store/retailer: anticipate when certain products are likely to be purchased/ rented/consumed more
  - Products & dates
- If you have a bunch of physical stores: anticipate *where* certain products are likely to be purchased/ rented/consumed more
  - Products & locations
- If you're the police department: create "heat map" of where different criminal activity occurs
  - Crime reports & locations

#### **Co-occurrence Analysis Applications**



• Crime reports & locations

#### Example Application of PMI: Image Segmentation



Phillip Isola, Daniel Zoran, Dilip Krishnan, and Edward H. Adelson. Crisp boundary detection using pointwise mutual information. ECCV 2014.

#### Example Application of PMI: Word Embeddings



Image source: https://deeplearning4j.org/img/countries\_capitals.png

Omer Levy and Yoav Goldberg. Neural word embeddings as implicit matrix factorization. NIPS 2014.

# **Continuous Measurements**

- So far, looked at relationships between *discrete* outcomes
- For pair of *continuous* outcomes, use a **scatter plot**



Image source: https://plot.ly/~MattSundquist/5405.png

#### The Importance of Staring at Data



# Correlation



Beware: Just because two variables appear correlated doesn't mean that one can predict the other

# Correlation ≠ Causation



doesn't mean it has predictive value!

Image source: http://www.realclimate.org/index.php/archives/2007/05/fun-with-correlations/

# Important: At this point in the course, we are finding *possible* relationships between two entities

We are *not* yet making statements about prediction (we'll see prediction later in the course)

We are *not* making statements about causality (beyond the scope of this course)

# Causality



Studies in 1960's: Coffee drinkers have higher rates of lung cancer Can we claim that coffee is a cause of lung cancer?

Back then: coffee drinkers also tended to smoke more than non-coffee drinkers (smoking is a **confounding variable**)

To establish causality, groups getting different treatments need to appear similar so that the only difference is the treatment

Image source: George Chen

# **Establishing Causality**

If you control data collection



Example: figure out webpage layout to maximize revenue (Amazon)

Example: figure out how to present educational material to improve learning (Khan Academy)

#### If you do not control data collection

In general: not obvious establishing what caused what

# 95-865 Outline

#### Part I: Exploratory data analysis

Identify structure present in "unstructured" data

- Frequency and co-occurrence analysis Basic probability & statistics
- Clustering
- Topic modeling (a special kind of clustering)

#### Part II: Predictive data analysis

Make predictions using structure found in Part I

- Classical classification methods
- Neural nets and deep learning for analyzing images and text



# Visualizing High-Dimensional Vectors

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The next two examples are drawn from: http://setosa.io/ev/principal-component-analysis/

#### **Visualizing High-Dimensional Vectors**







# The issue is that as humans we can only really visualize up to 3 dimensions easily

Goal: Somehow reduce the dimensionality of the data preferably to 1, 2, or 3



Hervé Abdi and Lynne J. Williams. Principal component analysis. Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Computational Statistics. 2010.

How to project 2D data down to 1D?



Simplest thing to try: flatten to one of the red axes

How to project 2D data down to 1D?



Simplest thing to try: flatten to one of the red axes (We could of course flatten to the other red axis)

How to project 2D data down to 1D?



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But notice that most of the variability in the data is *not* aligned with the red axes!

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How to project 2D data down to 1D? How to rotate 2D data so 1st axis has most variance

The idea of PCA actually works for  $2D \rightarrow 2D$  as well (and just involves rotating, and not "flattening" the data)

2nd green axis chosen to be 90° ("orthogonal") from first green axis

- Finds top *k* orthogonal directions that explain the most variance in the data
  - 1st component: explains most variance along 1 dimension
  - 2nd component: explains most of remaining variance along next dimension that is orthogonal to 1st dimension
  - ...
- "Flatten" data to the top k dimensions to get lower dimensional representation (if k <original dimension)

3D example from: http://setosa.io/ev/principal-component-analysis/

Demo