# Graphical Models for the Internet

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### Thus far ...

- Motivation
- Basic tools
  - Clustering
  - Topic Models
- Distributed batch inference
  - Local and global states
  - Star synchronization

# Up next

### Inference

- Online Distributed Sampling
- Single machine multi-threaded inference
- Online EM and Submodular Selection

### Applications

- User tracking for behavioral Targeting
- Content understanding
- User modeling for content recommendation

# 4. Online Model

### Scenarios

### Batch Large-Scale

Covered in part 1



### Mini-batches

- We already have a model
- Data arrives in batches
- We would like to keep model up-to-data



Time

### Time-sensitive

- Data arrives one item at a time
- Model should be up-to-data

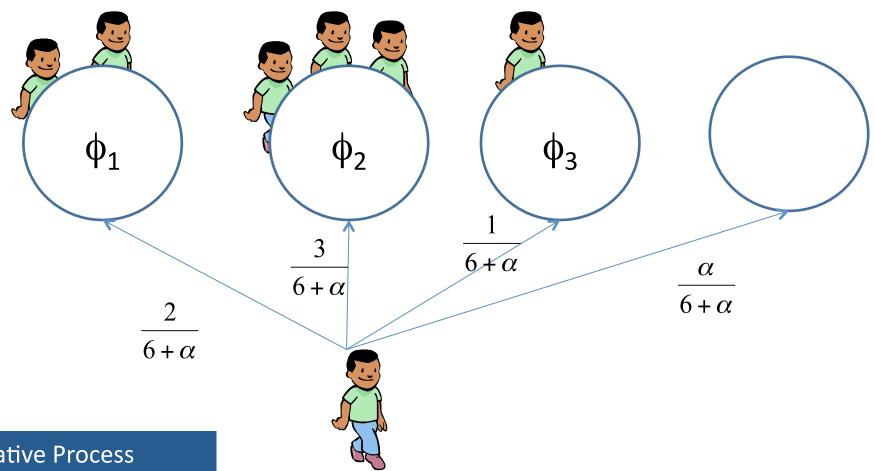


# 4.1 Dynamic Clustering

# The Chinese Restaurant Process

- Allows the number of mixtures to grow with the data
- They are called non-parametric models
  - Means the number of effective parameters grow with data
  - Still have hyper-parameters that control the rate of growth
    - $\alpha$ : how fast a new cluster/mixture is born?
    - G<sub>0</sub>: Prior over mixture component parameters

# The Chinese Restaurant Process



#### **Generative Process**

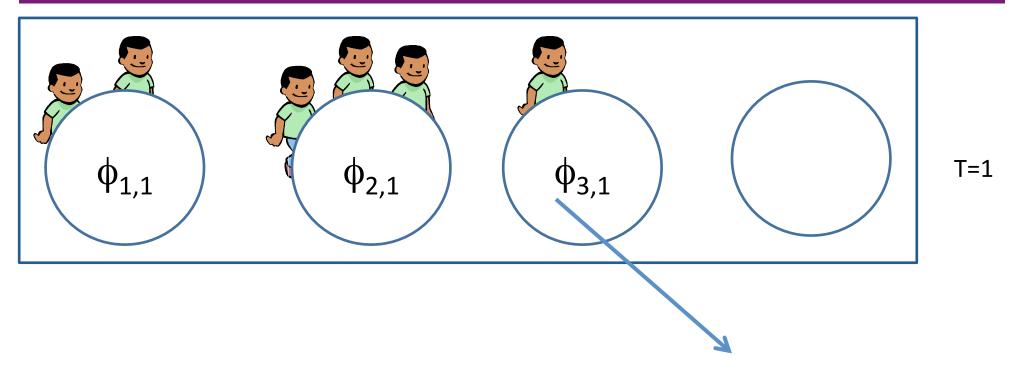
- -For data point x<sub>i</sub>
  - Choose table  $j \propto m_i$  and Sample  $x_i \sim f(\phi_i)$
  - Choose a new table K+1  $\propto \alpha$ 
    - Sample  $\phi_{K+1} \sim G_0$  and Sample  $x_{i} \sim f(\phi_{K+1})$

The rich gets richer effect **CANNOT** handle sequential data

# Recurrent CRP (RCRP) [Ahmed and Xing 2008]

- Adapts the number of mixture components over time
  - Mixture components can die out
  - New mixture components are born at any time
  - Retained mixture components parameters evolve according to a Markovian dynamics

### The Recurrent Chinese Restaurant Process

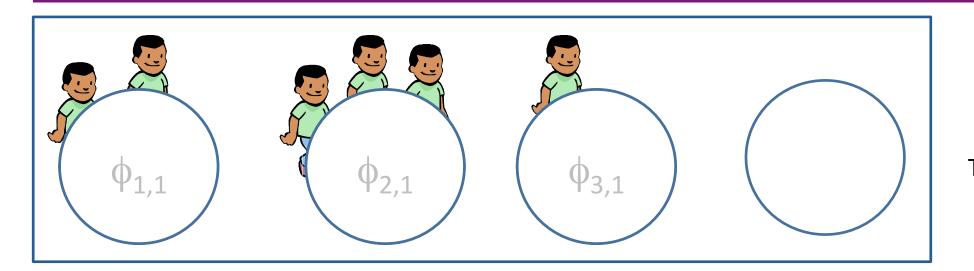


OR the parameters of cluster 3 at time epoch 1

#### **Generative Process**

- -Customers at time T=1 are seated as before:
  - Choose table  $j \propto m_{i,1}$  and Sample  $x_{i} \sim f(\phi_{i,1})$
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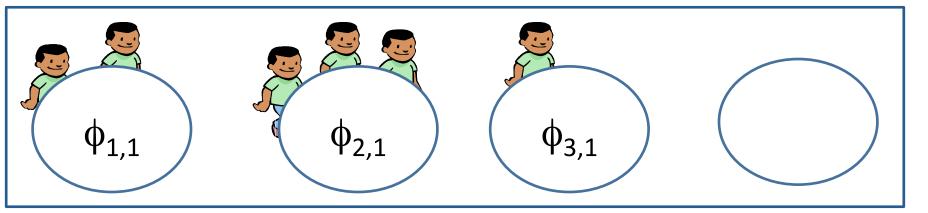
### The Recurrent Chinese Restaurant Process



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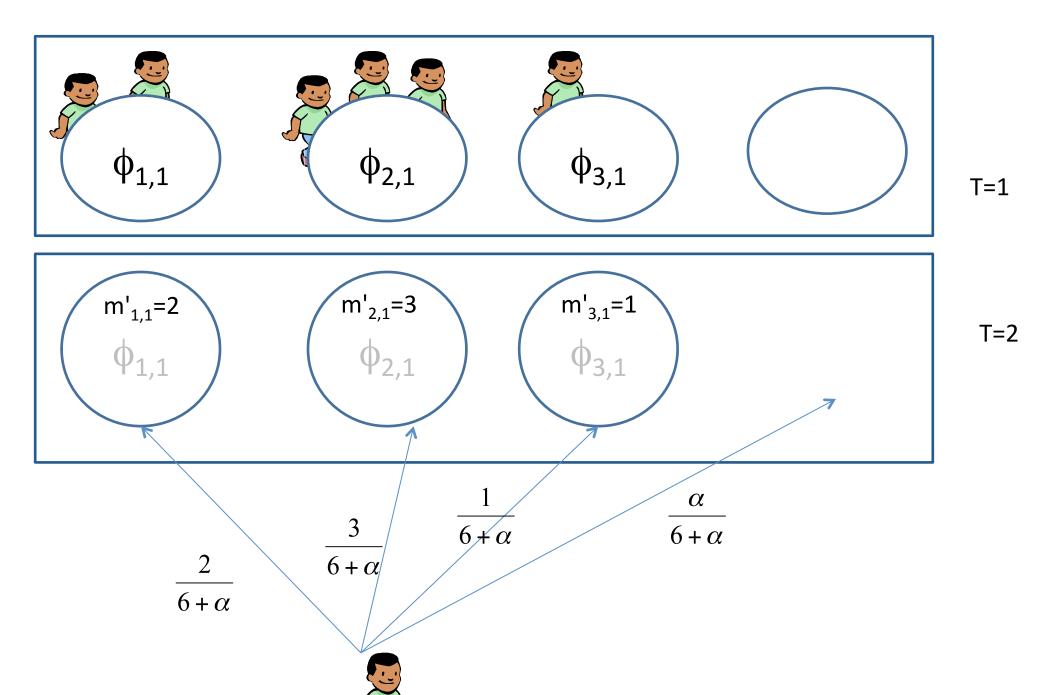
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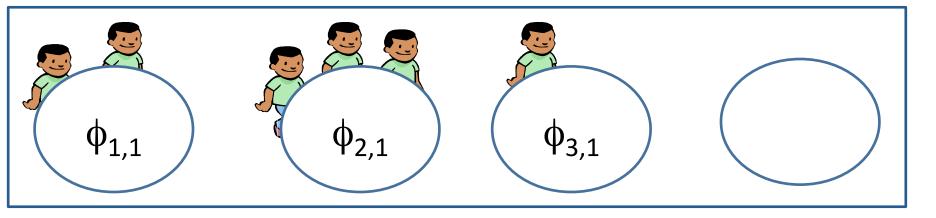


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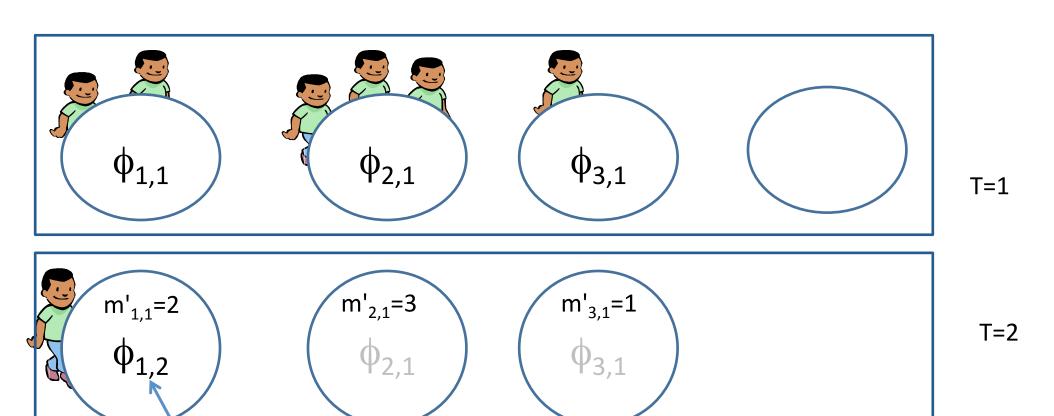




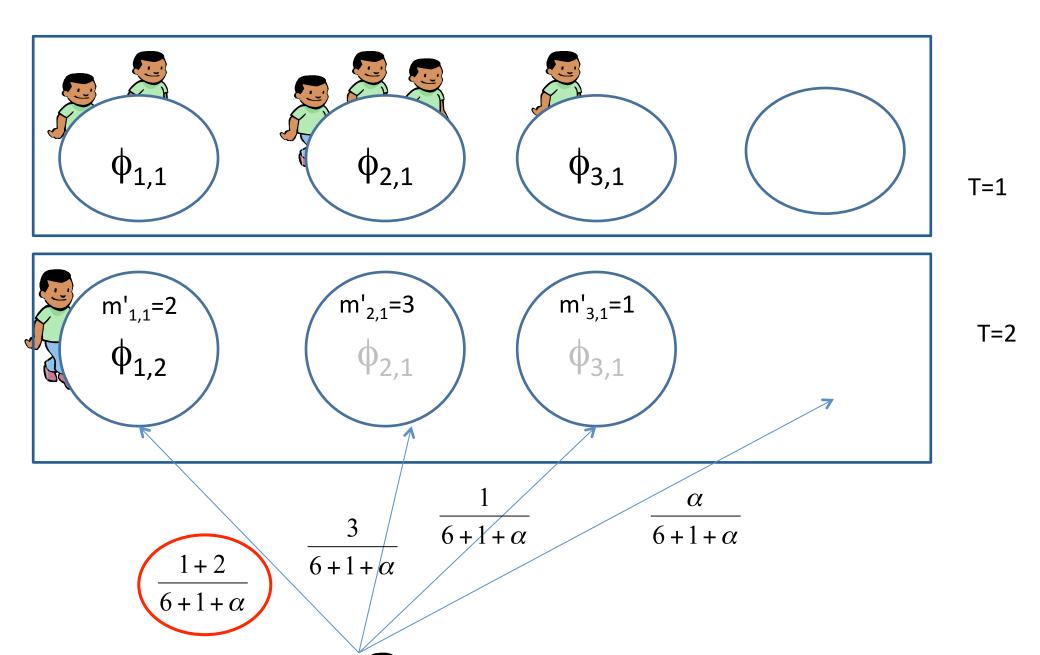


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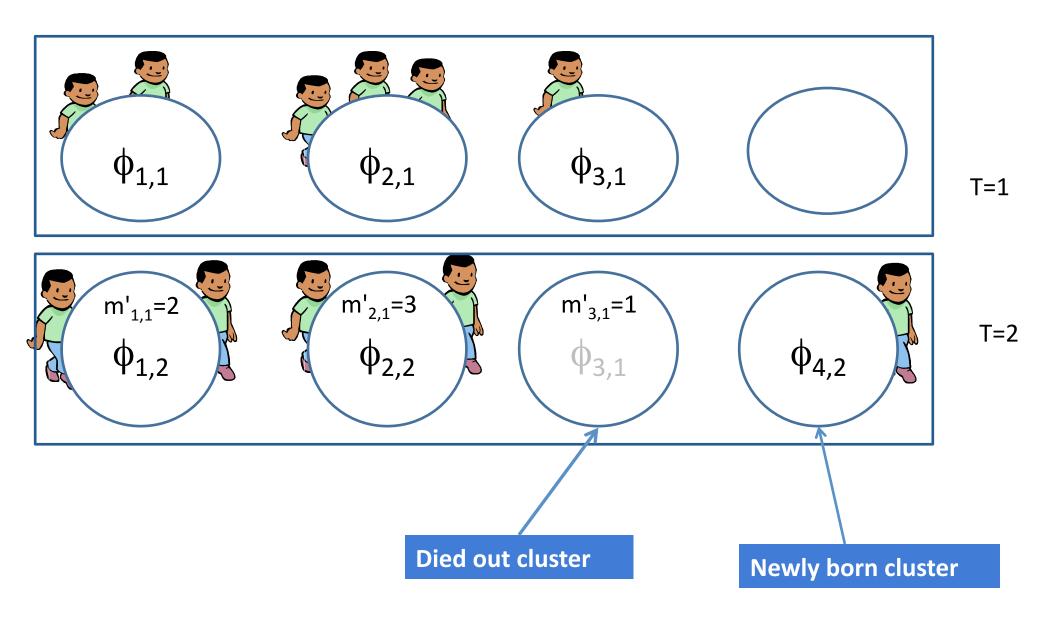
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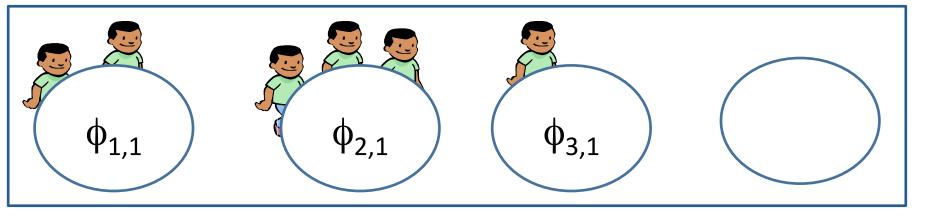


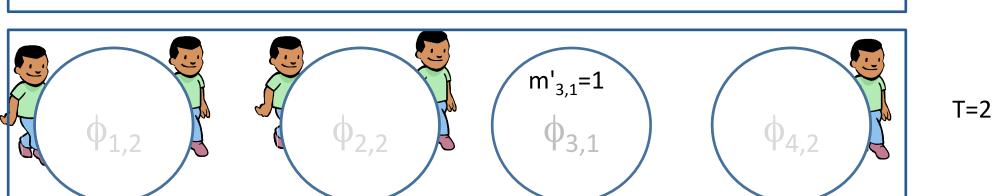
Sample  $\phi_{1,2} \sim P(. | \phi_{1,1})$ 



And so on .....



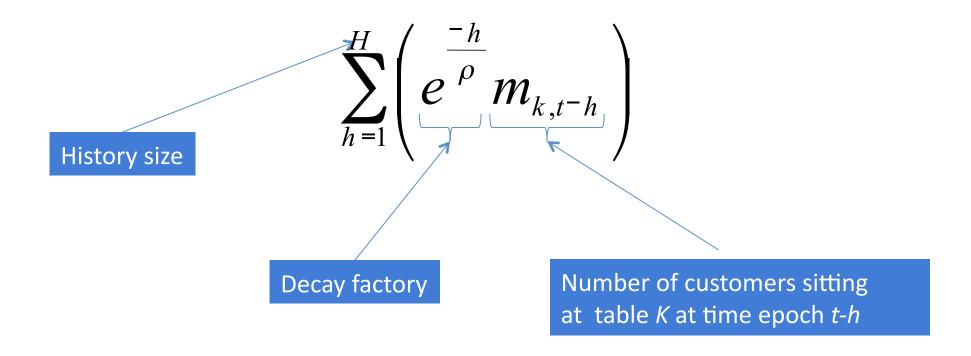


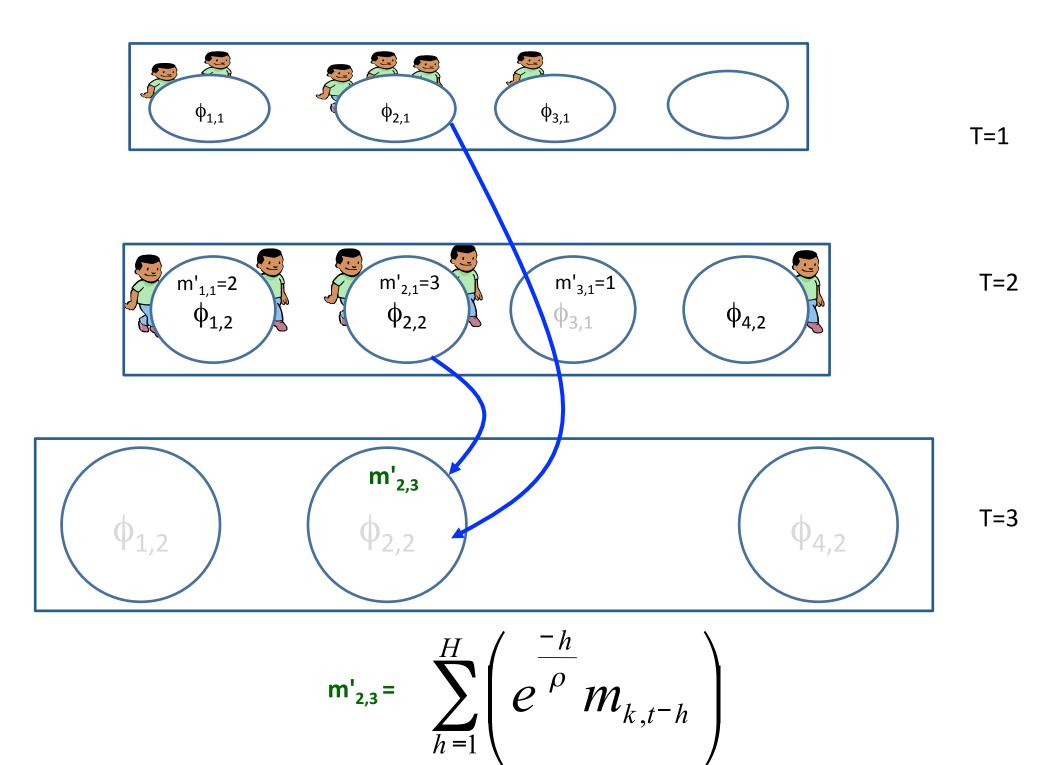


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### Recurrent Chinese Restaurant Process

- Can be extended to model higher-order dependencies
- Can decay dependencies over time
  - Pseudo-counts for table k at time t is



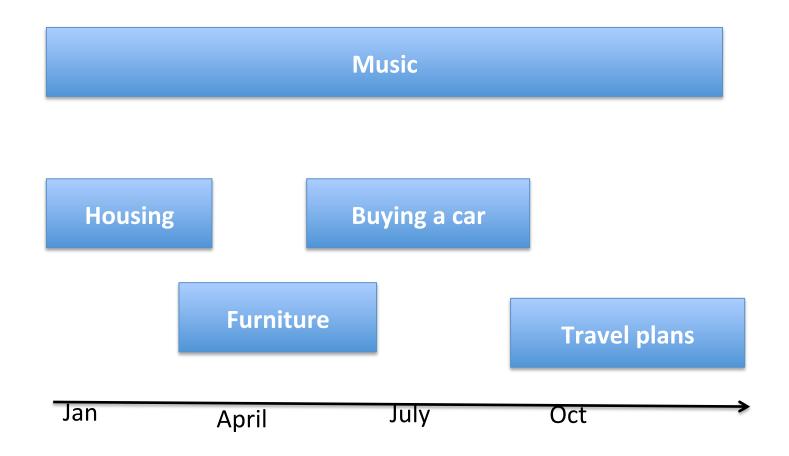


# 4.2 Online Distributed Inference

Tracking Users Interest

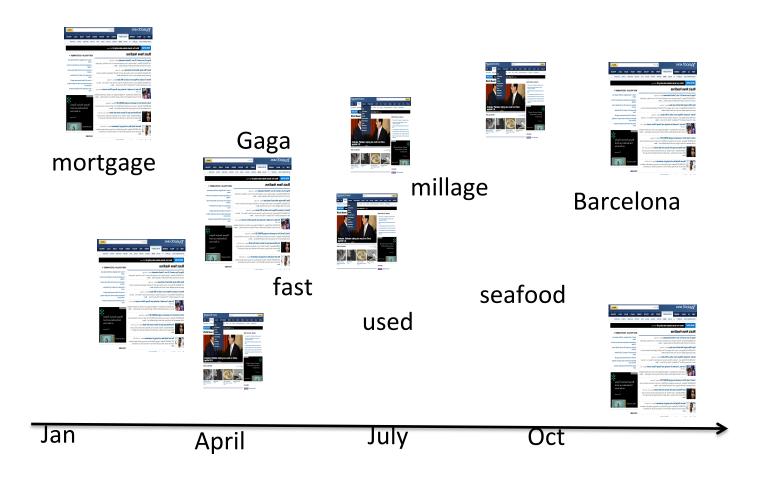
# **Characterizing User Interests**

Short term vs long-term



# Characterizing User Interests

- Short term vs long-term
- Latent



#### Input

- Queries issued by the user or tags of watched content
- Snippet of page examined by user
- Time stamp of each action (day resolution)

#### Output

- Users' daily distribution over interests
- Dynamic interest representation
- Online and scalable inference
- Language independent



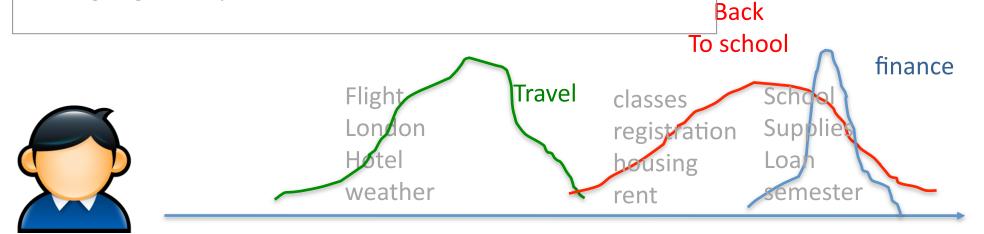
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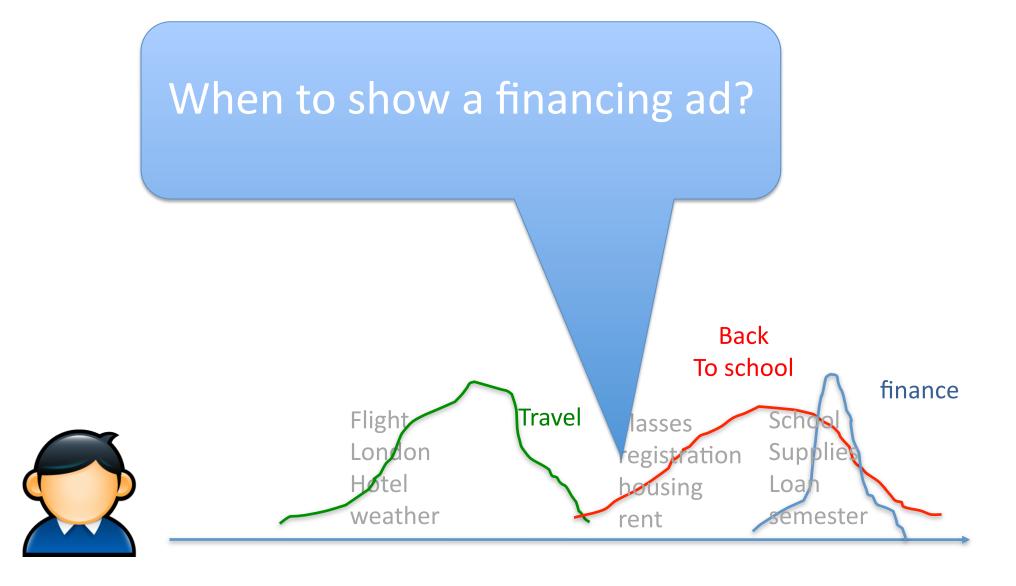
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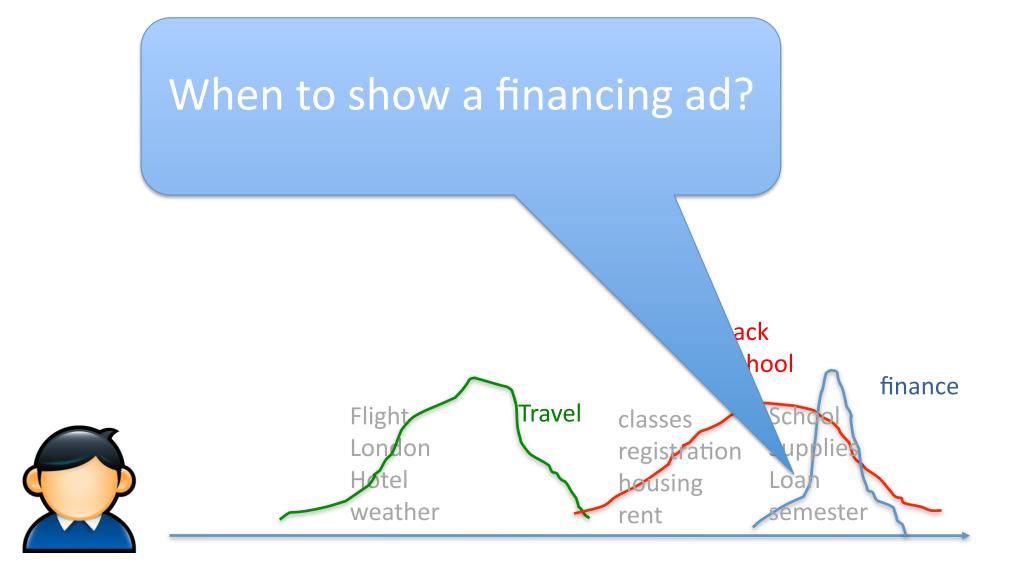
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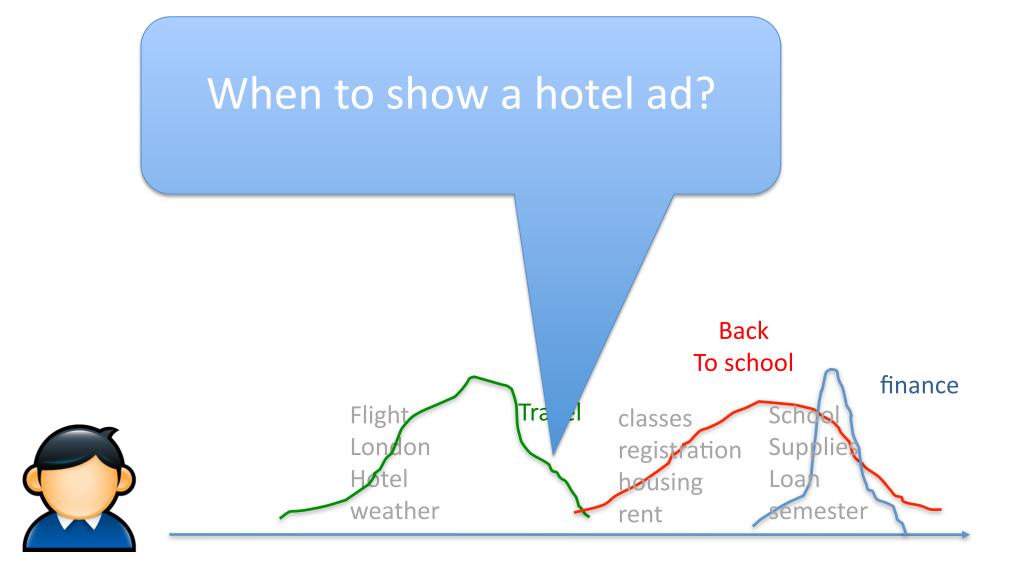


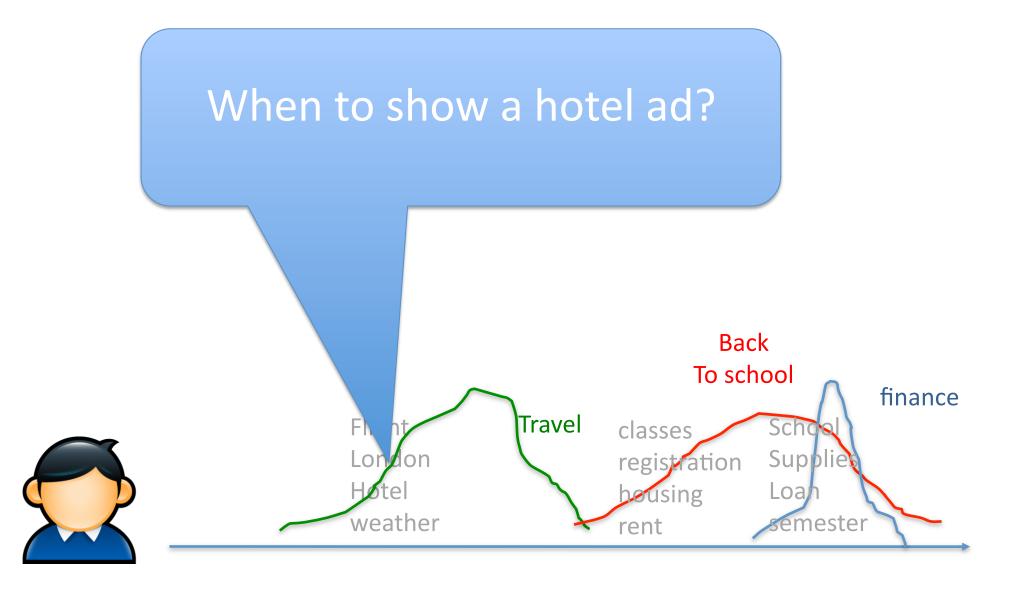
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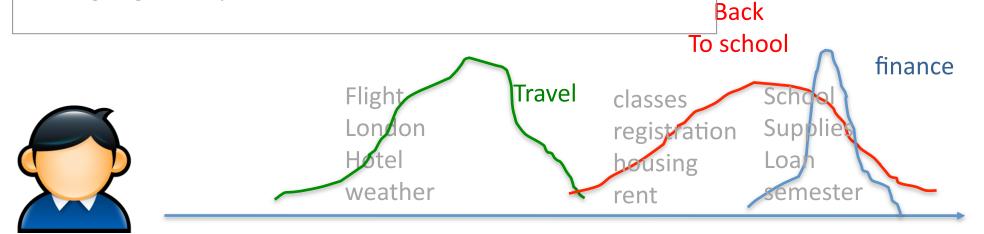


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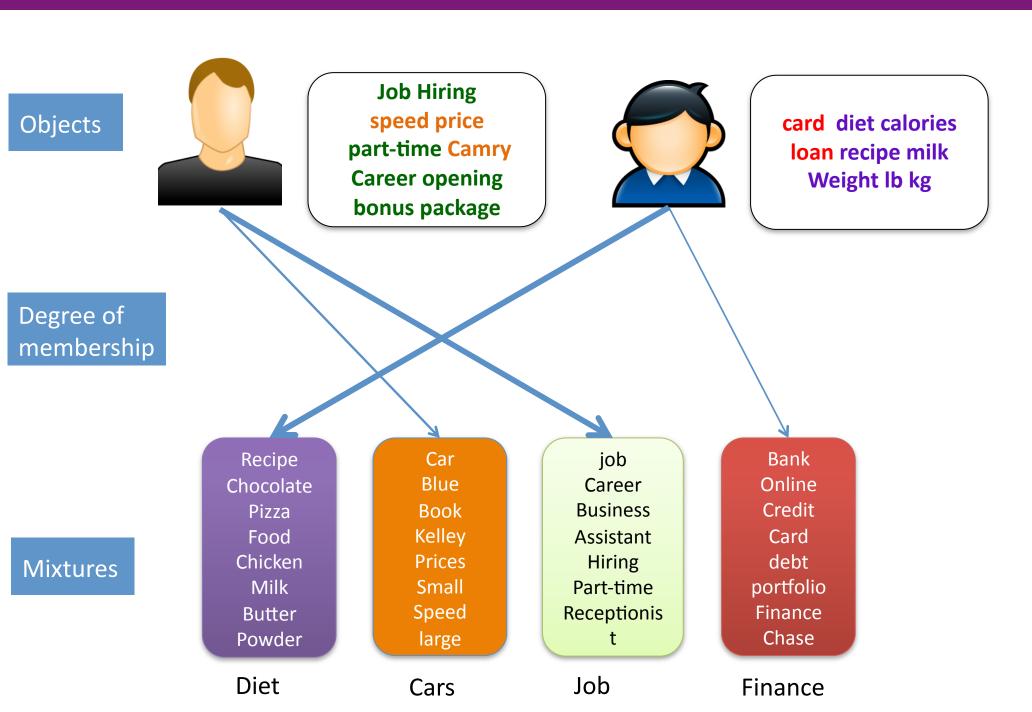
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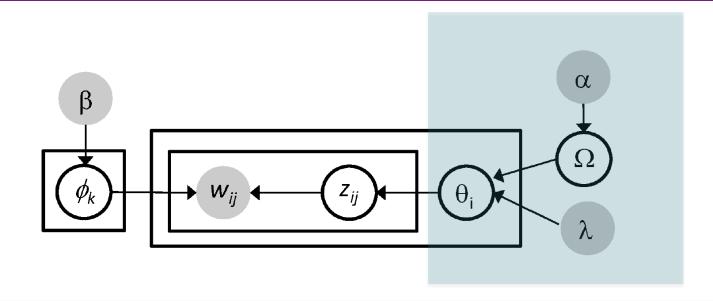
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# Mixed-Membership Formulation

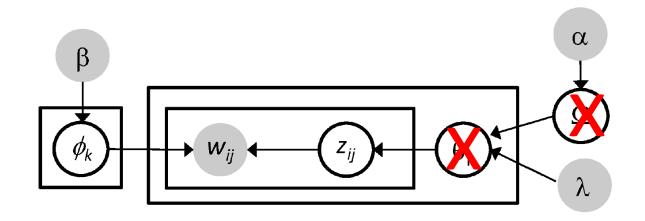


# In Graphical Notation

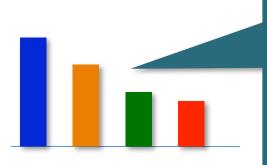


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# In Polya-Urn Representation



- Collapse multinomial variables: $heta, \Omega$
- Fixed-dimensional Hierarchal Polya-Urn representation
  - Chinese restaurant franchise



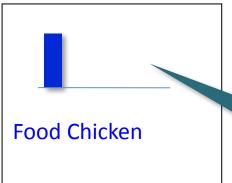
Global topics trends

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Topic word-distributions

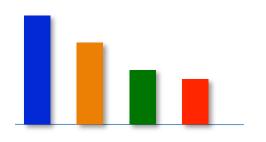




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User-specific topics trends (mixing-vector)

User interactions: queries, keyword from pages viewed

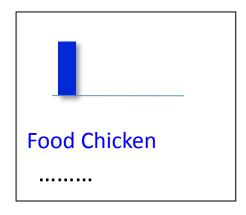




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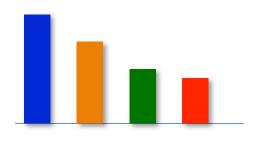






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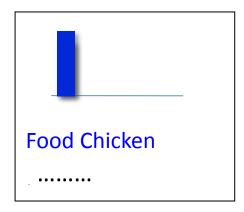




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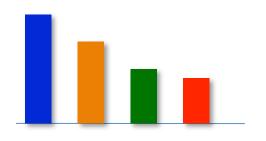








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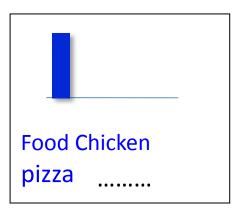




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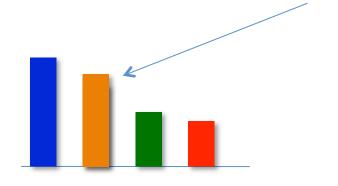








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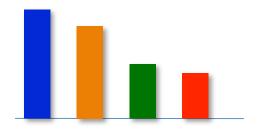








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## Problems

- Static Model
- Does not evolve user's interests
- Does not evolve the global trend of interests
- Does not evolve interest's distribution over terms

# At time t





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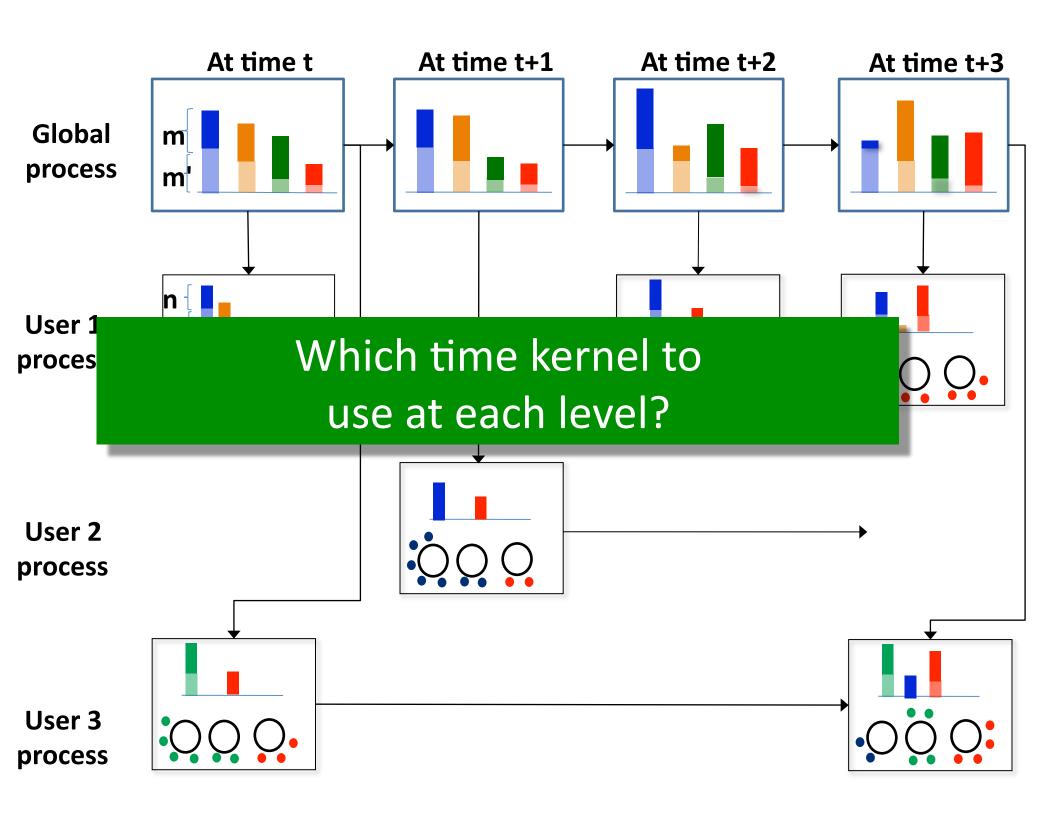


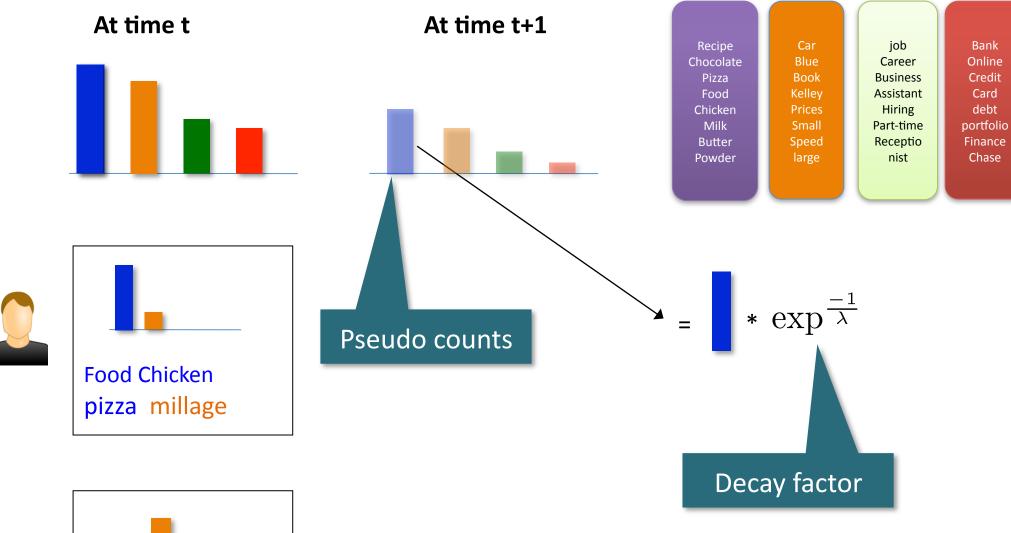
## Build a dynamic model

Connect each level using a RCRP













## Observation 1

- -Popular topics at time t are likely to be popular at time t+1
- $\phi_{k,t+1}$  is likely to smoothly evolve from  $\phi_{k,t}$



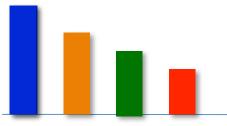




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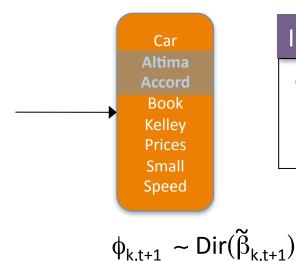
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## Intuition

Captures current trend of the car industry (new release for e.g.)

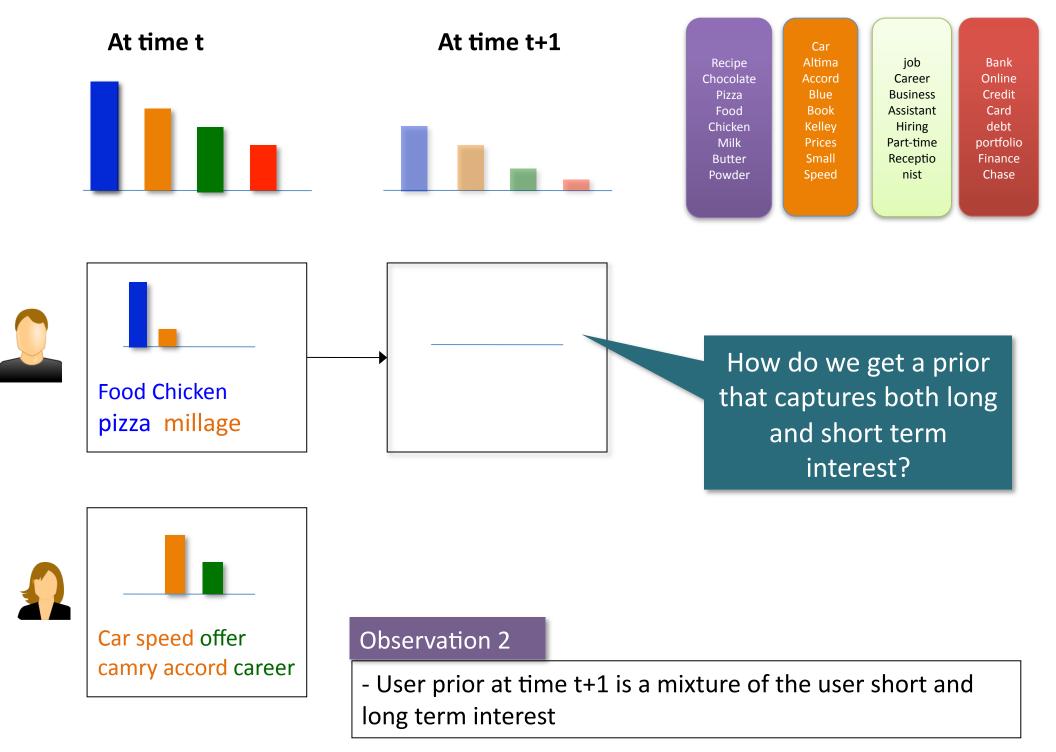


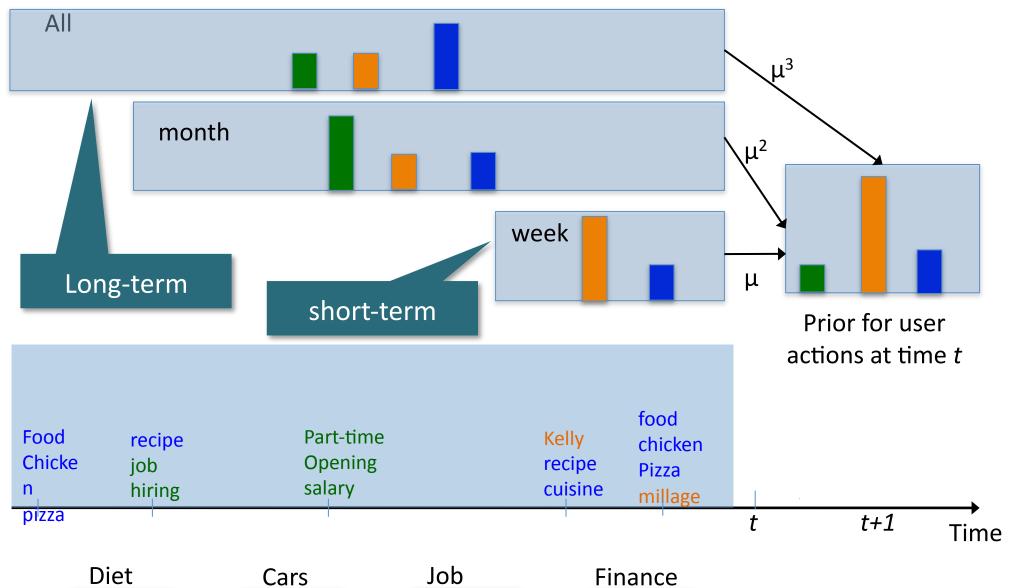


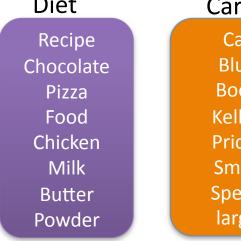
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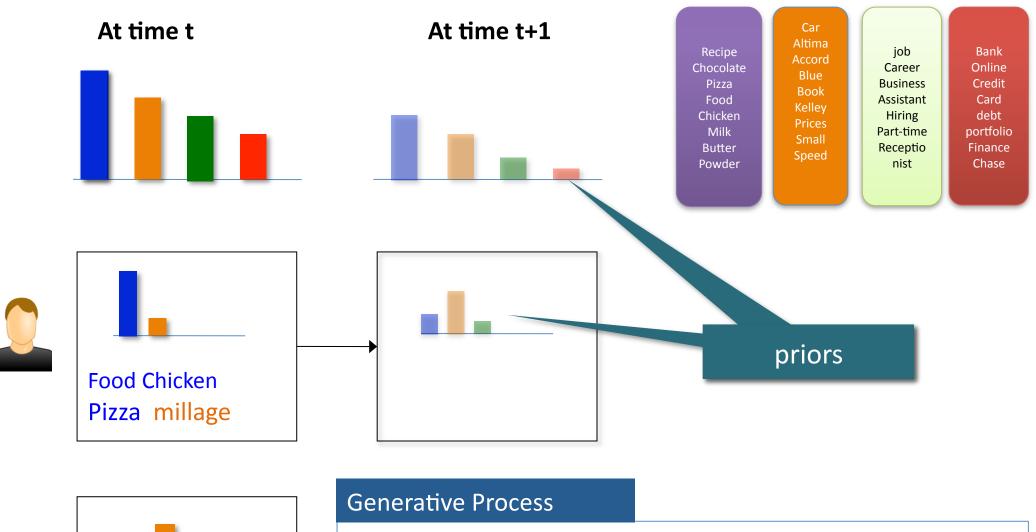
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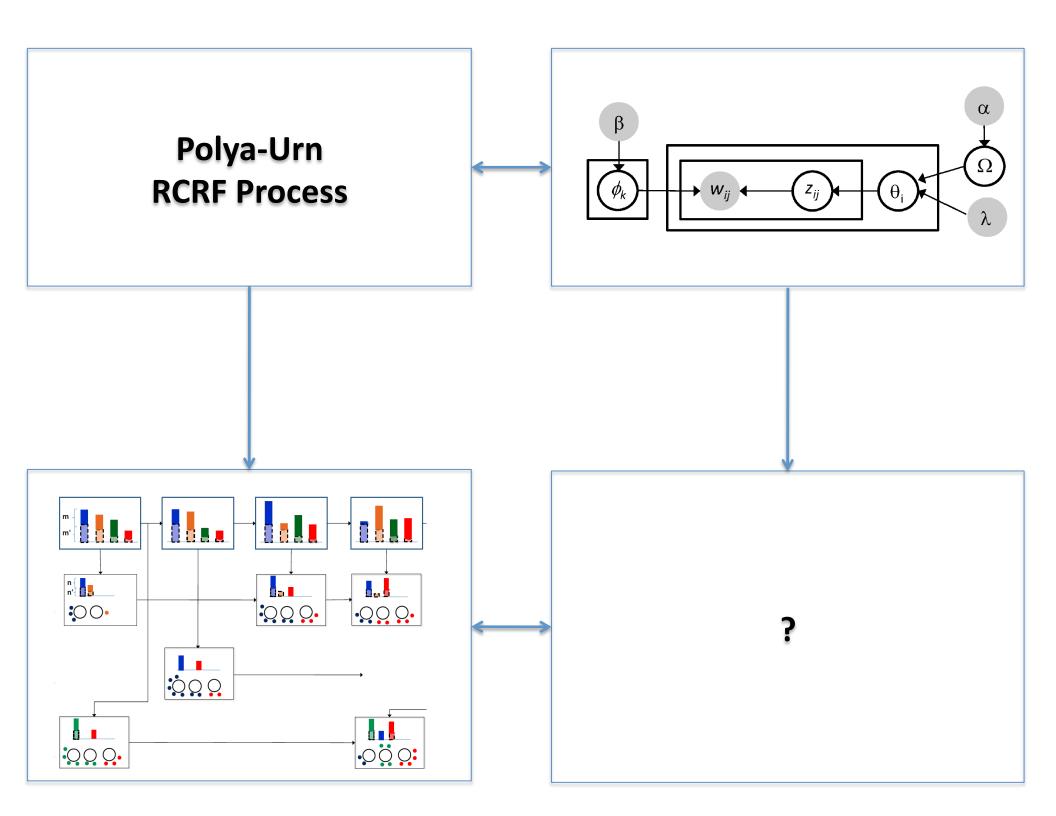
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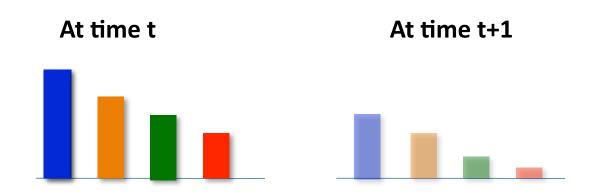


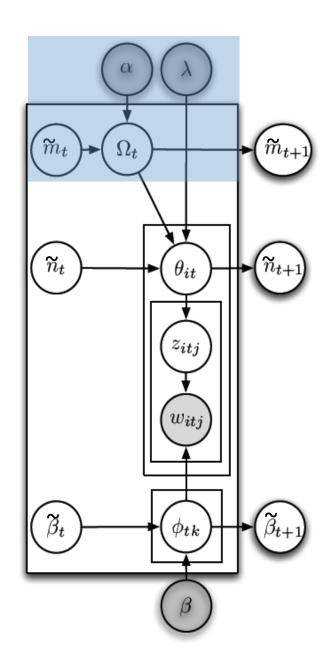


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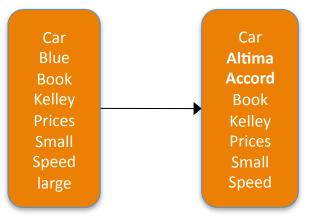
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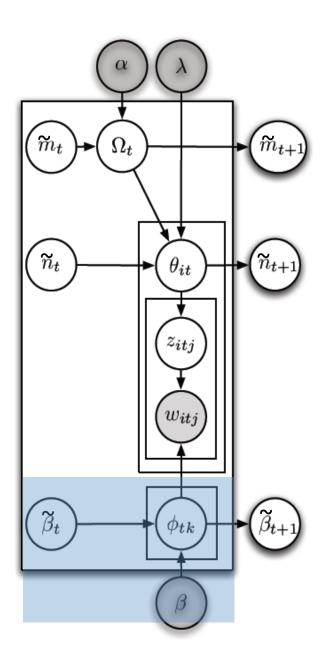




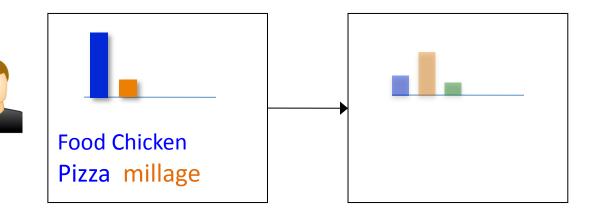
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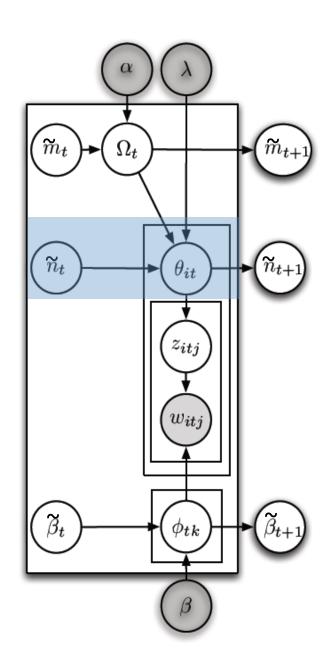
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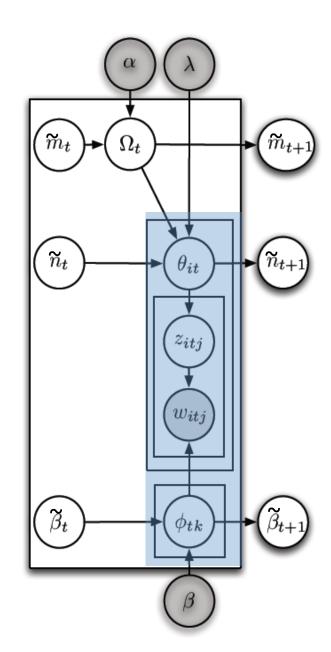


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## Topics evolve over time?

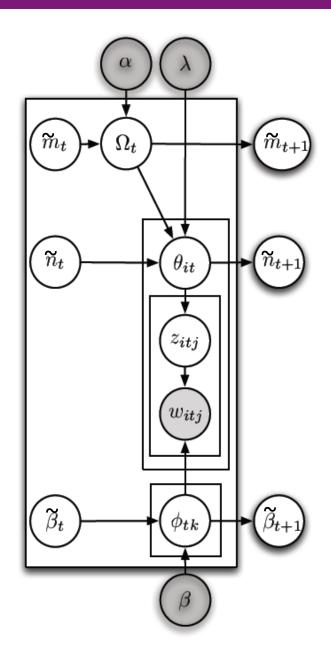


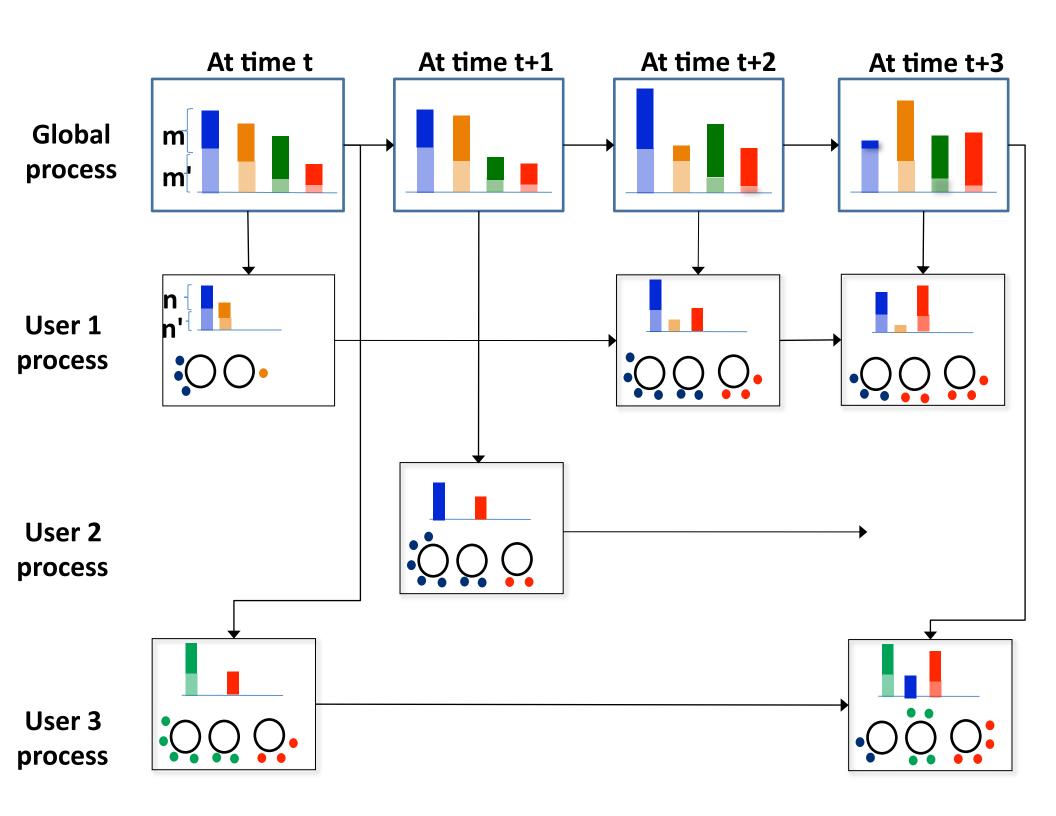
User's intent evolve over time?



Capture long and term interests of users?



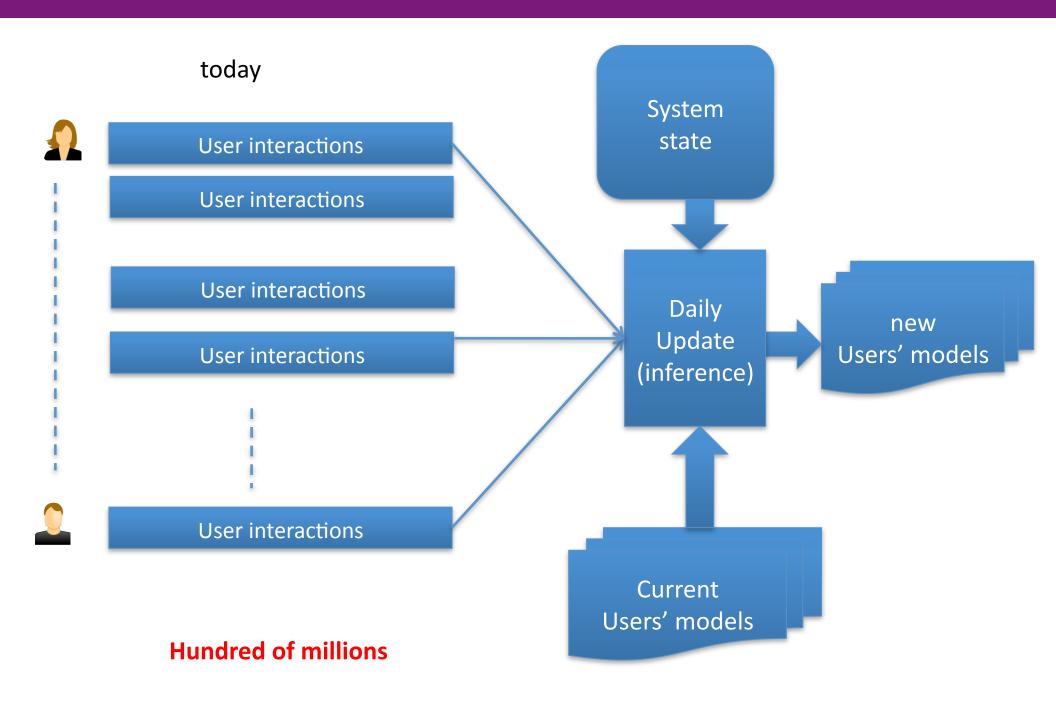




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Work Flow

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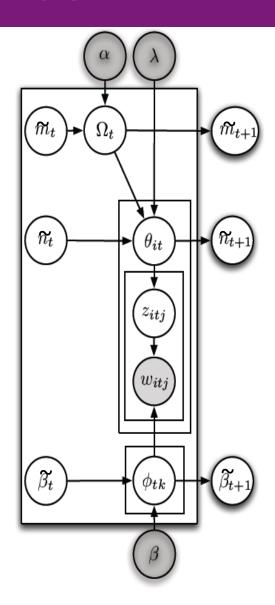


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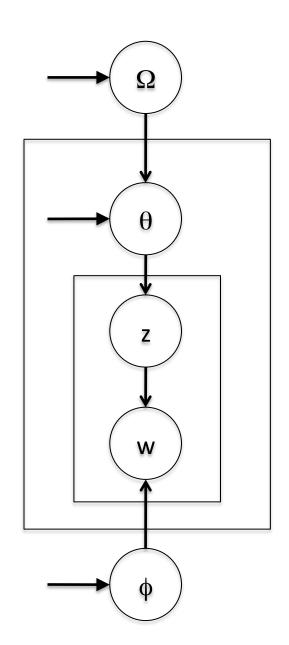
- Online algorithm
  - Greedy 1-particle filtering algorithm
  - Works well in practice
  - Collapse all multinomials except  $\Omega_t$ 
    - This makes distributed inference easier
  - At each time t:

$$P(\Omega^t, \mathbf{z}^t | \tilde{\mathbf{n}}^t, \tilde{\beta}^t, \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^t)$$

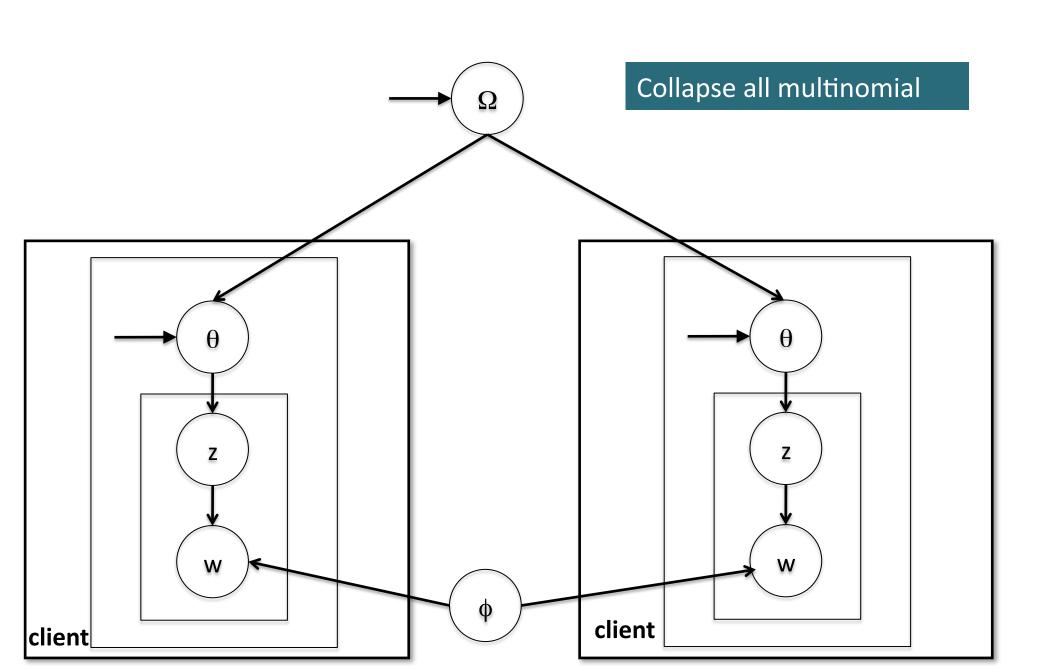
- Distributed scalable implementation
  - Used first part architecture as a subroutine
  - Added synchronous sampling capabilities



# Distributed Inference (at time t)



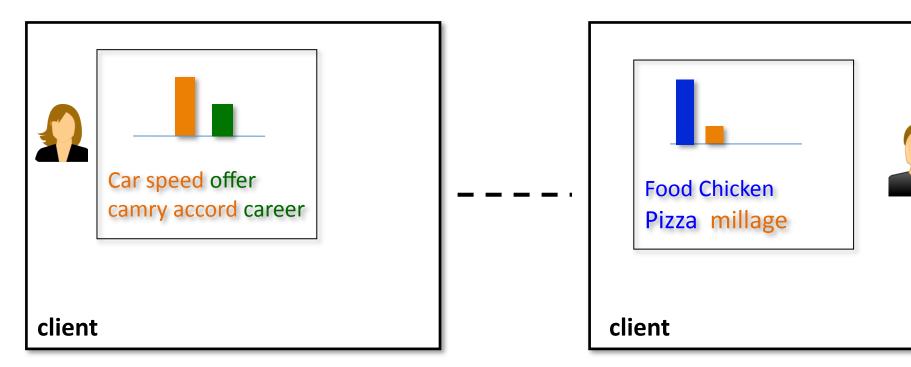
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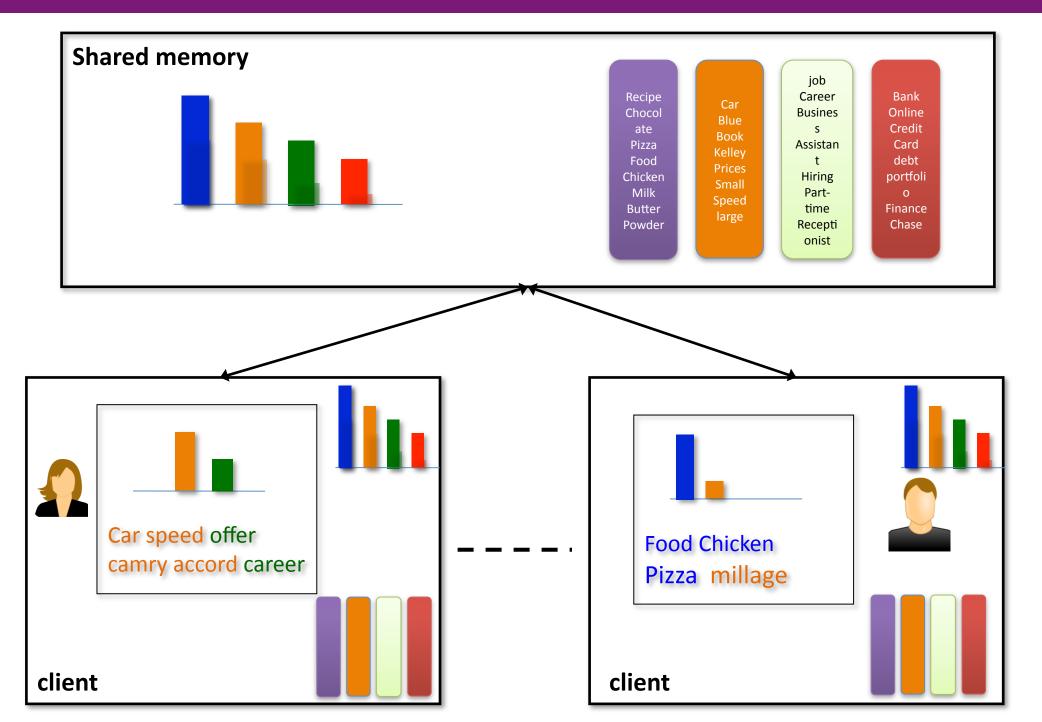
# After collapsing



## Use Star-Synchronization



# Fully Collapsed



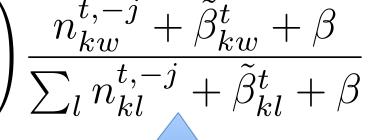
# Distributed Inference (at time t)

$$P(z_{ij}^t = k | w_{ij}^t = w, \Omega^t, \tilde{\mathbf{n}}_i^t) \propto$$

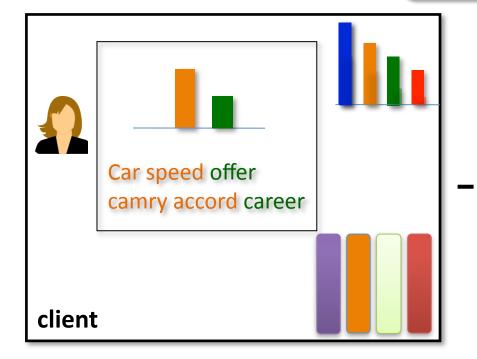
$$\left(n_{ik}^{t,-j} + \tilde{n}_{ik}^{t} + \lambda \frac{m_{k}^{t} + \tilde{m}_{k}^{t} + \frac{\alpha}{K}}{\sum_{l} m_{l}^{t} + \tilde{m}_{l}^{t} + \frac{\alpha}{K}}\right) \frac{n_{kw}^{t,-j} + \tilde{\beta}_{kw}^{t} + \beta}{\sum_{l} n_{kl}^{t,-j} + \tilde{\beta}_{kl}^{t} + \beta}$$

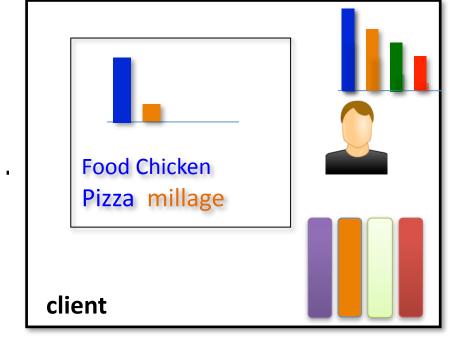
Local trend

Global trend

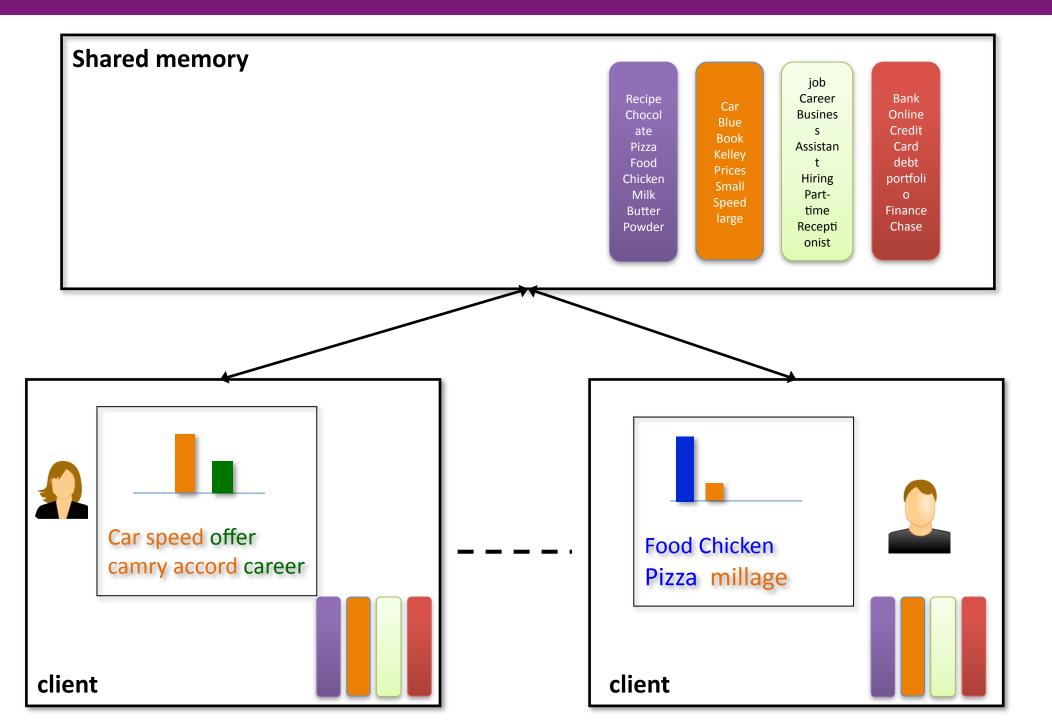


**Topic factor** 

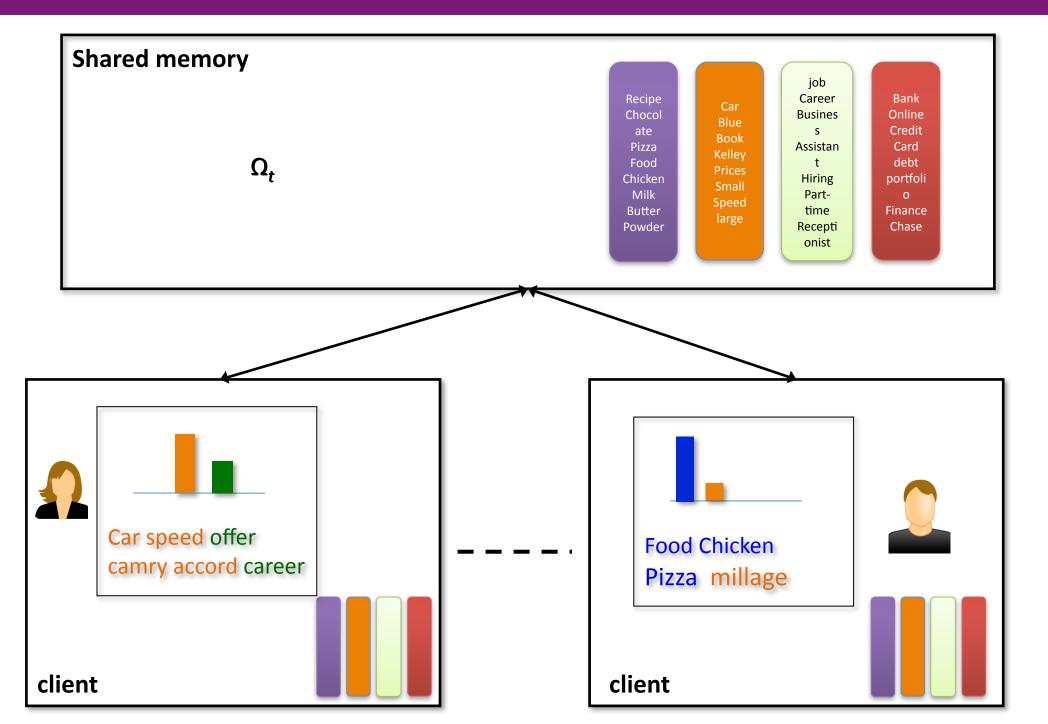




# Semi-Collapsed



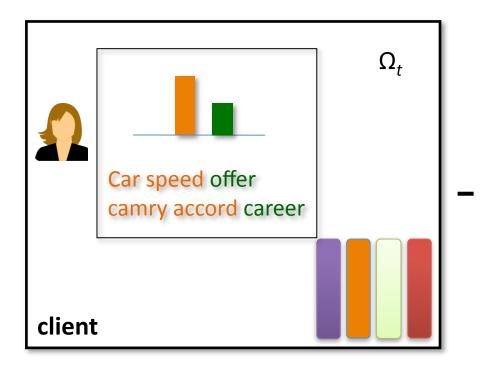
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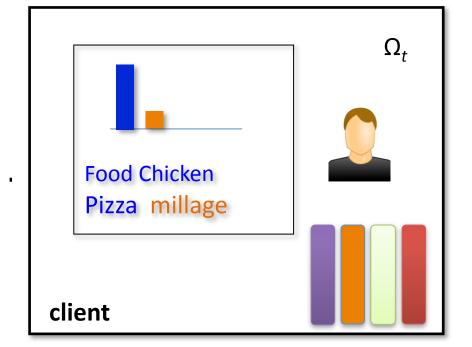


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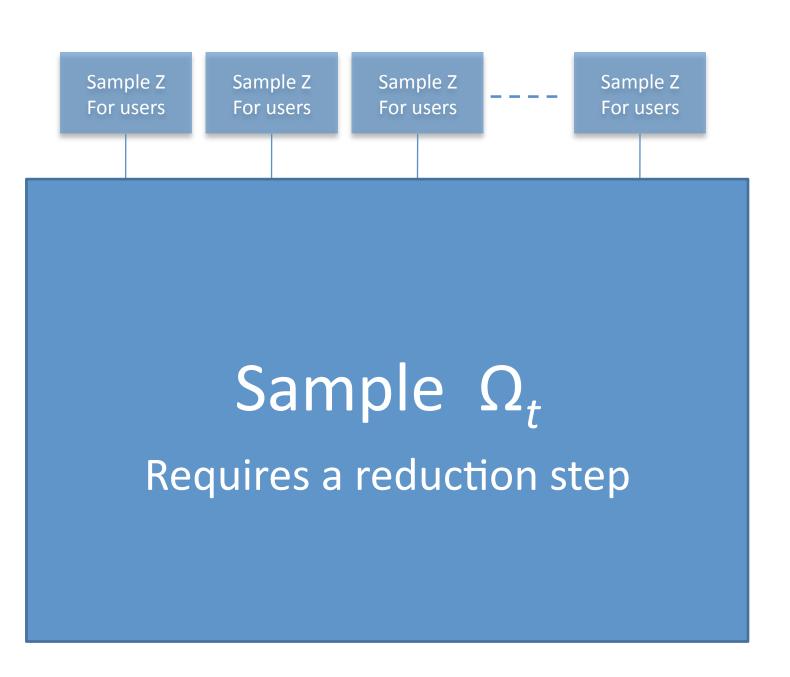
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$$\propto \left(n_{ik}^{t,-j} + \tilde{n}_{ik}^t + \lambda \Omega^t\right) \frac{n_{kw}^{t,-j} + \tilde{\beta}_{kw}^t + \beta}{\sum_l n_{kl}^{t,-j} + \tilde{\beta}_{kl}^t + \beta}$$

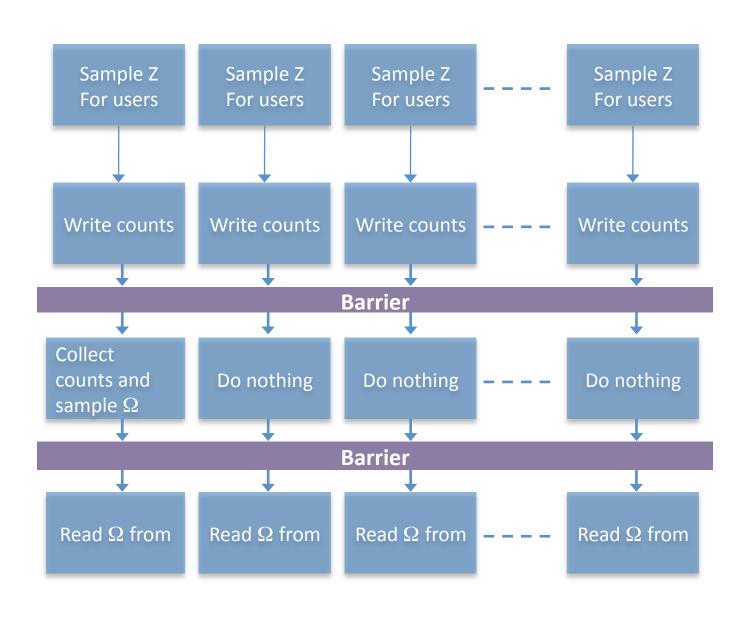




# Distributed Sampling Cycle



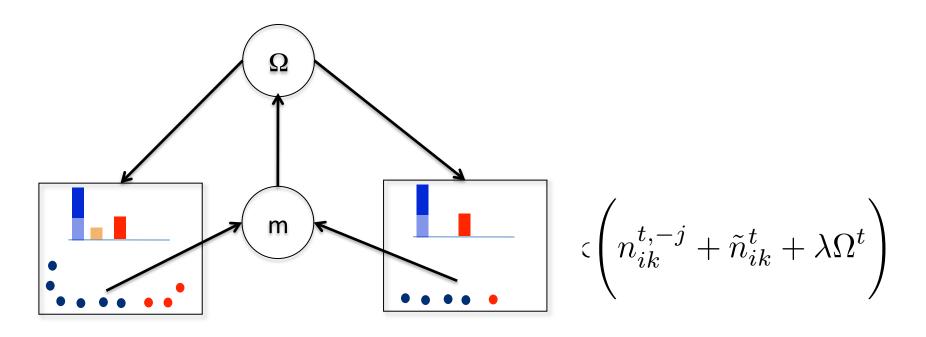
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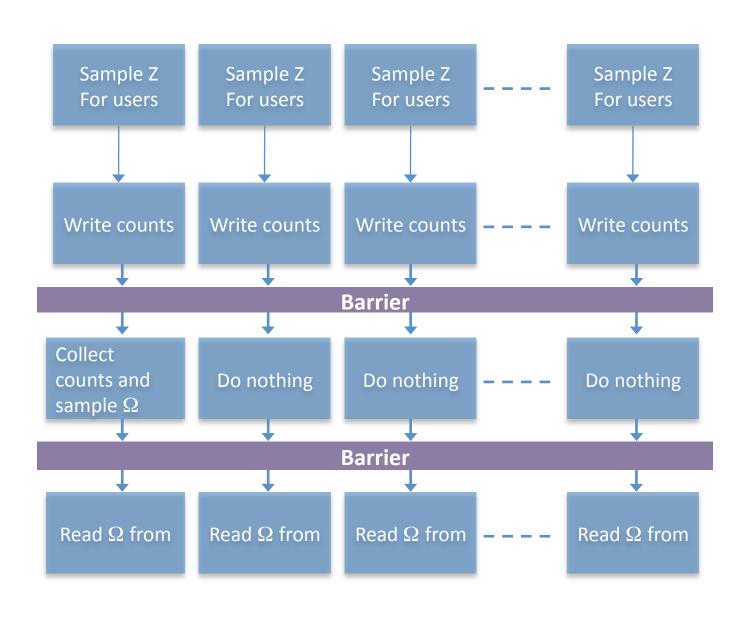
# Sampling $\Omega$

- Introduce auxiliary variable  $m_{\rm kt}$ 
  - How many times the global distribution was visited
  - $P(m_k^t|n_{1k}^t,\cdots$ ,  $n_{ik}^t,\cdots)$  ~ AnotniaK

$$P(\Omega^t | \mathbf{m}^t, \tilde{\mathbf{m}}^t) \sim \text{Dir}(\tilde{\mathbf{m}}^t + \mathbf{m}^t + \alpha/K)$$



# Distributed Sampling Cycle



# 4.2 Online Distributed Inference

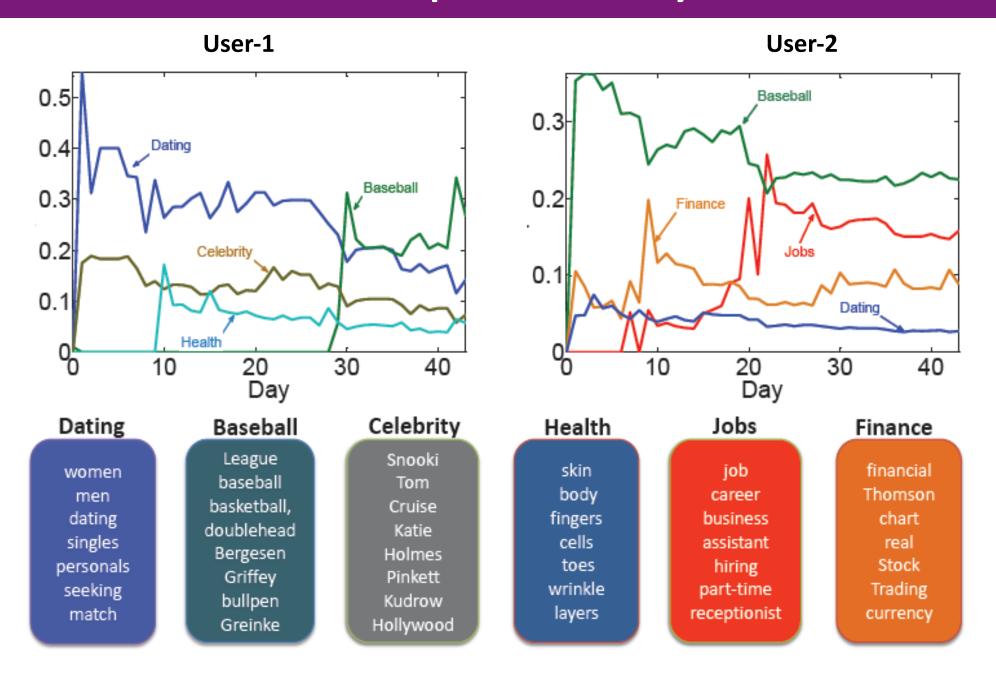
**Behavioral Targeting** 

## **Experimental Results**

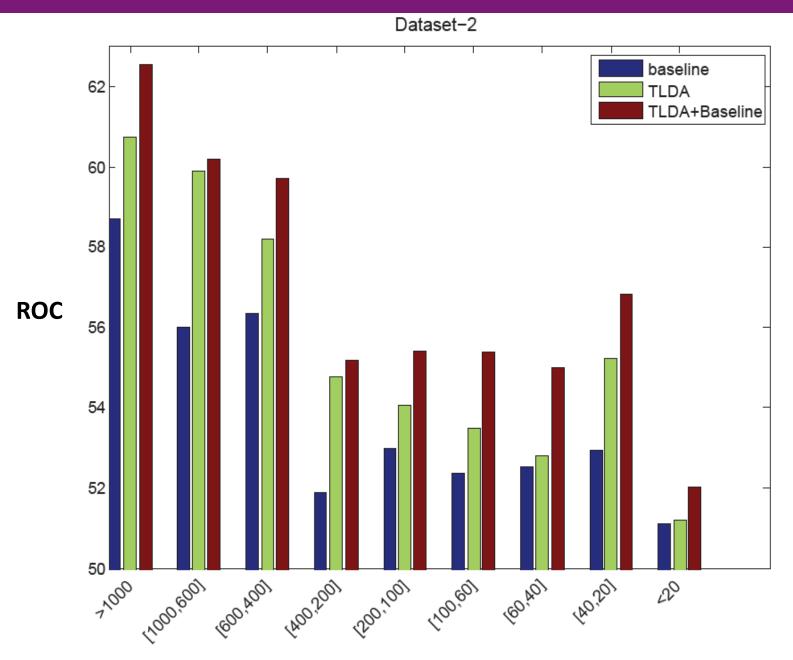
- Tasks is predicting convergence in display advertising
- Use two datasets
  - 6 weeks of user history
  - Last week responses to Ads are used for testing
- Baseline:
  - User raw data as features
  - Static topic model

dataset	# days	# users	# campaigns	size
1	56	13.34M	241	242GB
2	44	33.5M	216	435GB

# Interpretability



# Performance in Display Advertising



**Number of conversions** 

# Performance in Display Advertising

### Weighted ROC measure

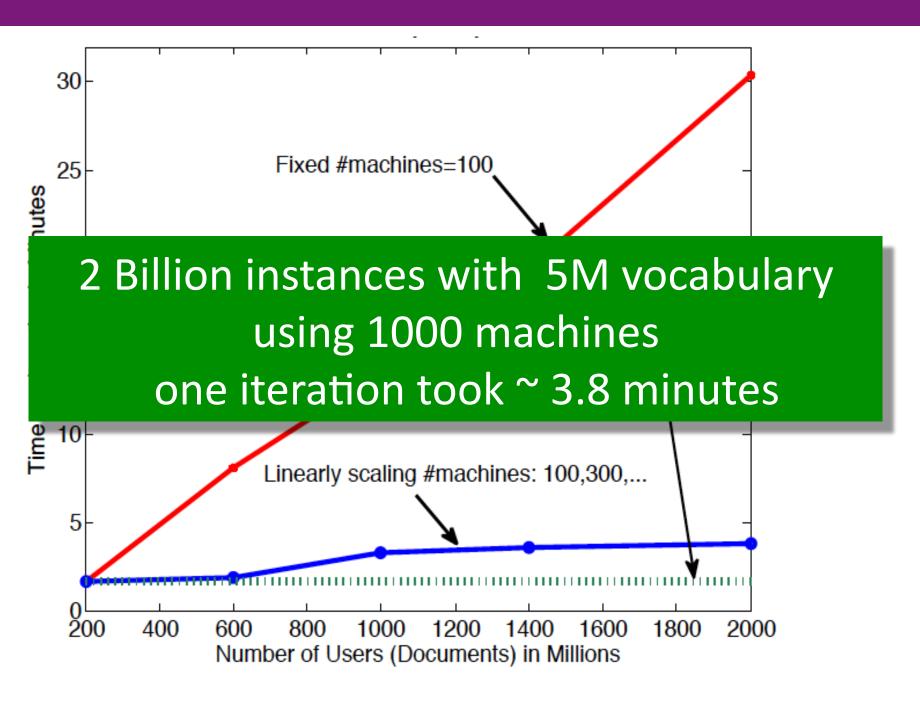
	base	TLDA	TLDA+base	LDA+base
dataset 1	54.40	55.78	56.94	55.80
dataset 2	57.03	57.70	60.38	58.54

### Effect of number of topics

	topics	TLDA	TLDA + base
dataset 1	50	55.32	56.01
	100	55.5	56.56
	200	<b>55.8</b>	56.94
dataset 2	50	59.10	60.40
	100	<b>59.14</b>	60.60
	200	58.7	60.38

Static Batch models

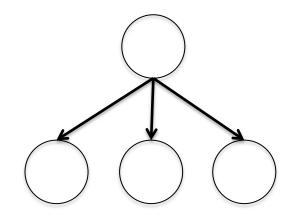
### How Does It Scale?



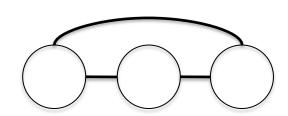
# Distributed Inference Revisited

# To collapse or not to collapse?

- Not collapsing
  - Keeps conditional independence
    - Good for parallelization
    - Requires synchronous sampling
  - Might mix slowly



- Collapsing
  - Mixes faster
  - Hinder parallelism
  - Use star-synchronization
    - Works well if sibling depends on each others via aggregates
    - Requires asynchronous communication



### Inference Primitive

- Collapse a variable
  - Star synchronization for the sufficient statistics
- Sampling a variable
  - Local
    - Sample it locally (possibly using the synchronized statistics)
  - Shared
    - Synchronous sampling using a barrier
- Optimizing a variable
  - Same as in the shared variable case
  - Ex. Conditional topic models

### Online Models

- Batch Large-Scale
  - Covered in part 1



### Mini-batches

- We already have a model
- Data arrives in batches
- We would like to keep model up-to-data



Time

### Time-sensitive

- Data arrives one item at a time
- Model should be up-to-data



## What Is Coming?

### Inference

- Online Distributed Sampling
- Single machine multi-threaded inference
- Online EM and Submodular Selection

### Applications

- User tracking for behavioral Targeting
- Content understanding
- User modeling for content recommendation

### 4.2 Scalable SMC Inference

Storylines

### News Stream



### Add-ons turn tax

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> planning conference of the year and as financial markets watch for a growth to a more sustainable level.

### **News Stream**

- Realtime news stream
  - Multiple sources (Reuters, AP, CNN, ...)
  - Same story from multiple sources
  - Stories are related

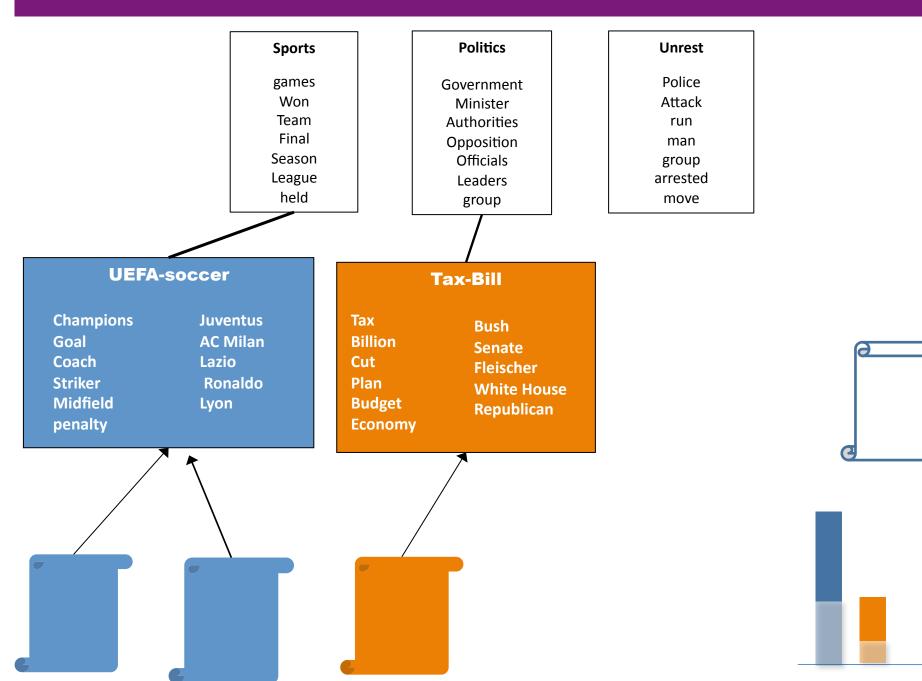
### Goals

- Aggregate articles into a storyline
- Analyze the storyline (topics, entities)
  - How does the story develop over time?
  - Who are the main entities?
  - What topics are addressed?

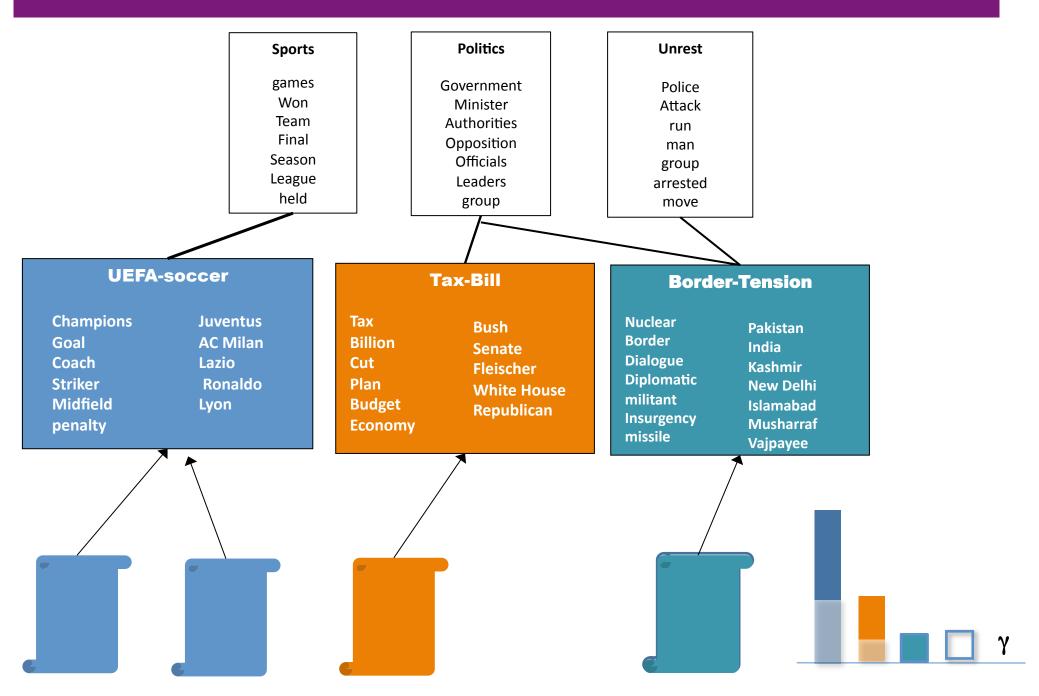
### A Unified Model

- Jointly solves the three main tasks
  - Clustering,
  - Classification
  - Analysis
- Building blocks
  - A Topic model
    - High-level concepts (unsupervised classification)
  - Dynamic clustering (RCRP)
    - Discover tightly-focused concepts
      - Named entities
      - Story developments

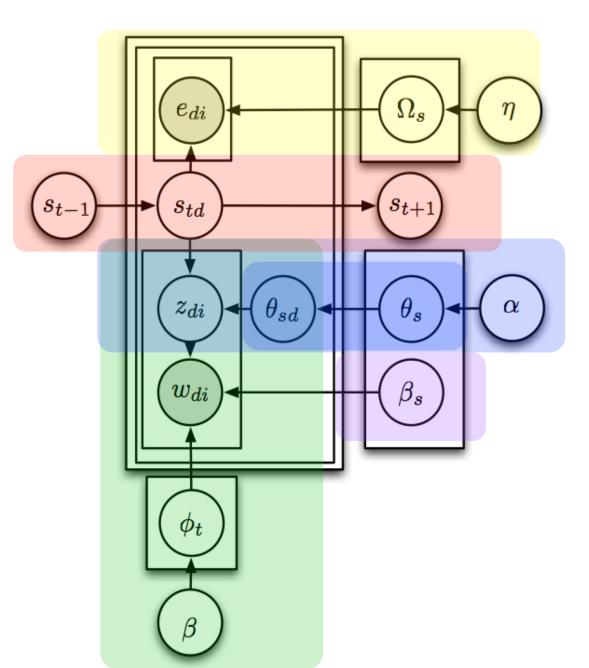
### Infinite Dynamic Cluster-Topic Hybrid



### Infinite Dynamic Cluster-Topic Hybrid



# The Graphical Model



- Topic model
- Topics per cluster
- RCRP for cluster
- Hierarchical DP for article
- Separate model for named entities
- Story specific correction

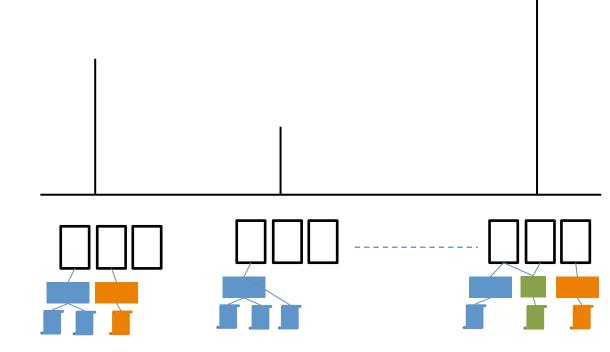
### 4.2 Fast SMC Inference

Inference via SMC

## Online Inference Algorithm

- A Particle filtering algorithm
- Each particle maintains a hypothesis
  - What are the stories
  - Document-story associations
  - Topic-word distributions
- Collapsed sampling
  - Sample  $(z_d, s_d)$  only for each document

# Particle Filter Representation



```
Initialize \omega_1^f to \frac{1}{F} for all f \in \{1, \dots F\} for each document d with time stamp t do

for f \in \{1, \dots F\} do

Sample s_{td}^f, \mathbf{z}_{td}^f using MCMC

\omega^f \leftarrow \omega^f P(\mathbf{x}_{td} | \mathbf{z}_{td}^f, \mathbf{s}_{td}^f, \mathbf{x}_{1:t,d-1}) end for

Normalize particle weights

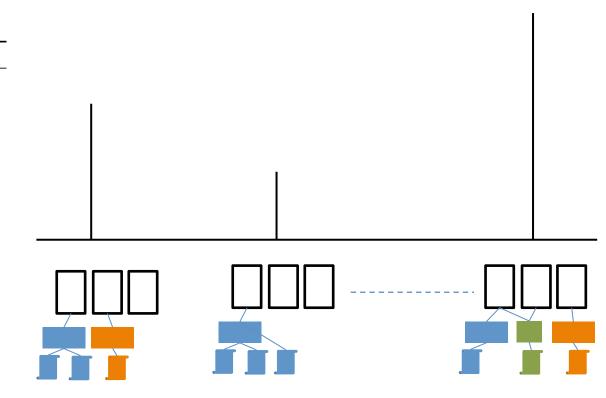
if \|\omega_t\|_2^{-2} < threshold then

resample particles

for f \in \{1, \dots F\} do

MCMC pass over 10 random past documents end for

end if
```





end for

Fold the document into the structure of each filter

- s and z are tightly coupled
- Alternatives
  - Sample s then sample z (high variance)

Document td entities w w w w w w w w

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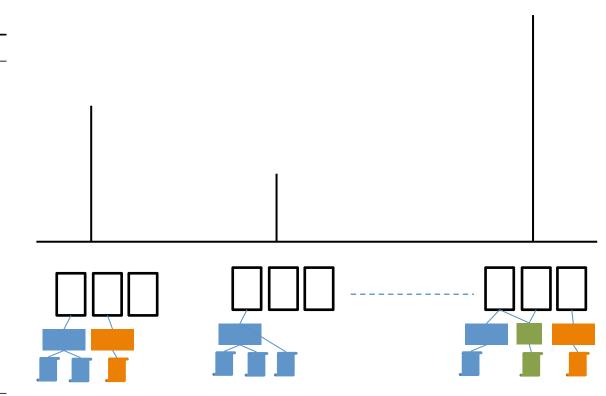
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  - Sample **s** then sample **z** (high variance)
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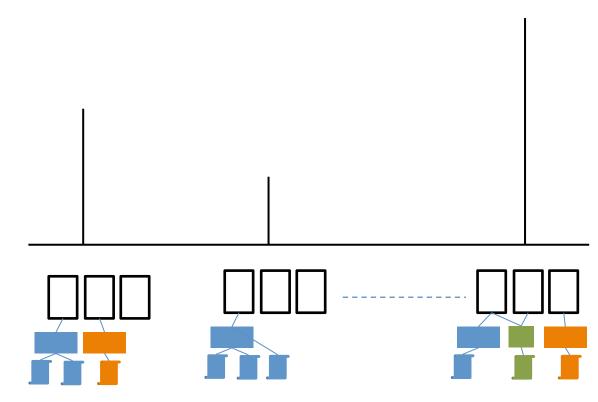
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end for

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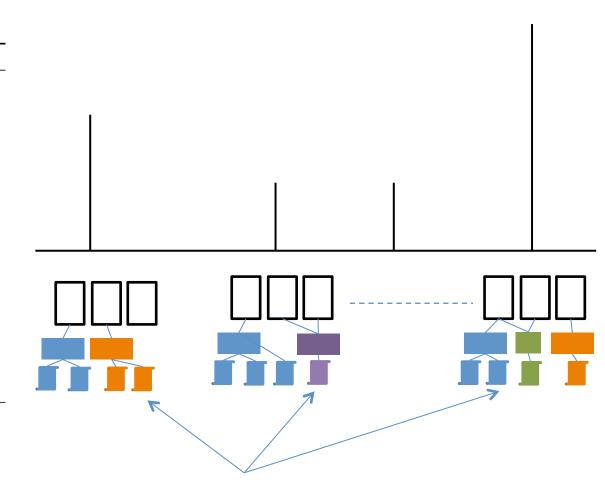


end for

Fold the document into the structure of each filter

- s and z are tightly coupled
- Alternatives
  - Sample **s** then sample **z** (high variance)
  - Sample **z** then sample **s** (doesn't make sense)
- Idea
  - Run a few iterations of MCMC over s and z
  - Take last sample as the proposed value

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How good each filter look now?

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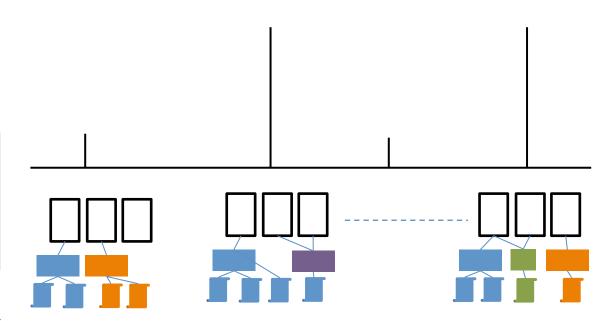
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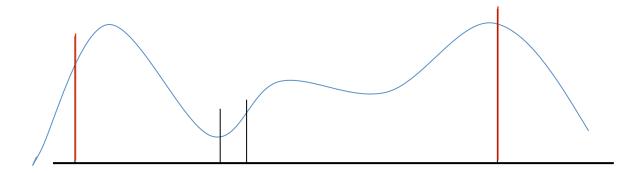
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Get rid of bad filter Replicate good one

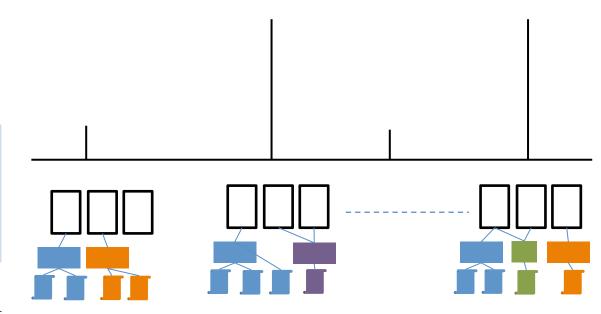
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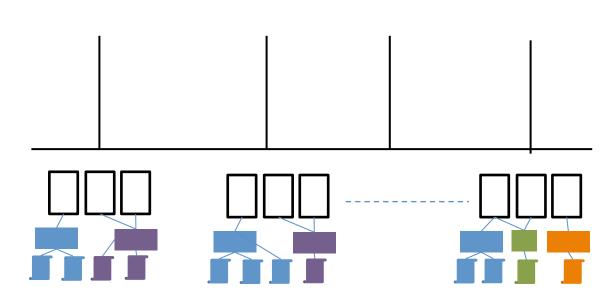
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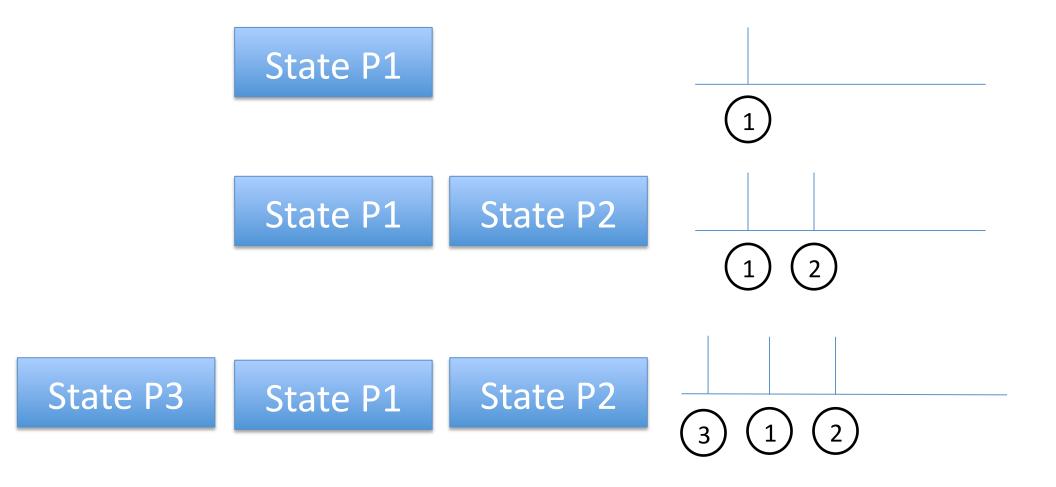
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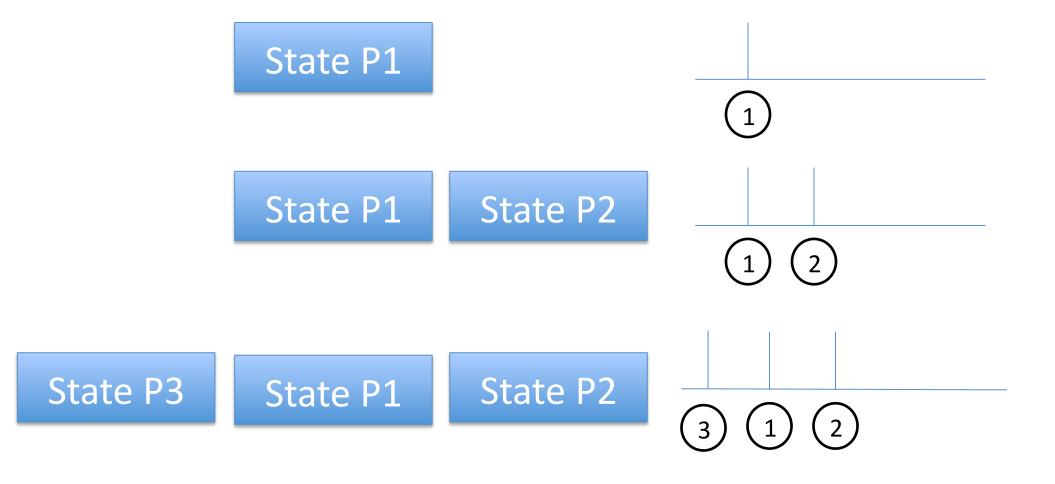
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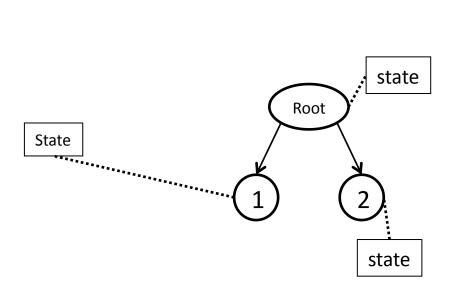
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  - Use thread-safe Inheritance tree

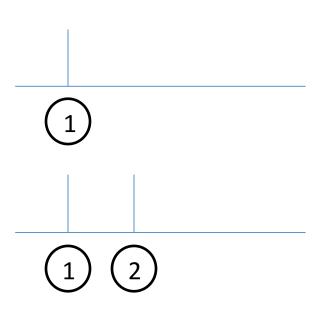


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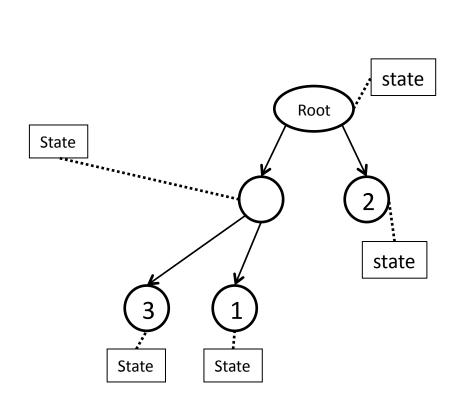


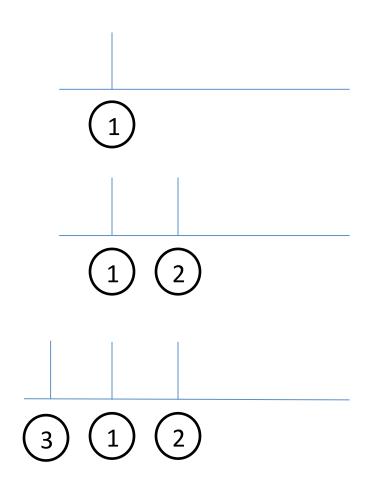
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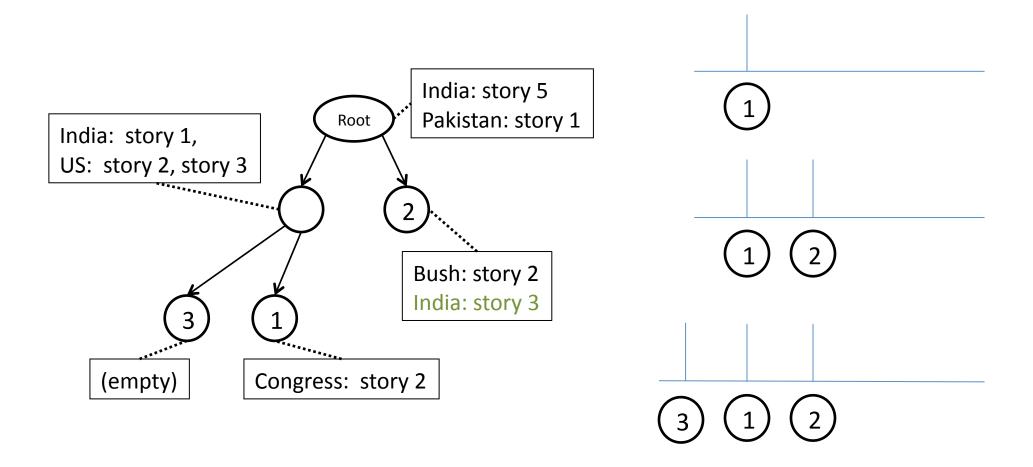


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  - Use thread-safe Inheritance tree [extends Canini et. Al 2009]





- Particles get replicated
  - Use thread-safe Inheritance tree [extends Canini et. Al 2009]
  - Inverted representation for fast lookup



Why this is useful?

$$P(\mathbf{e}_{td}|s_{td} = s, \text{rest})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma\left(\sum_{e=1}^{E} \left[C_{se}^{-td} + \Omega_{0}\right]\right)}{\Gamma\left(\sum_{e=1}^{E} \left[C_{td,e} + C_{se}^{-td} + \Omega_{0}\right]\right)} \prod_{e=1}^{E} \frac{\Gamma\left(C_{td,e} + C_{se}^{-td} + \Omega_{0}\right)}{\Gamma\left(C_{se}^{-td} + \Omega_{0}\right)}$$

- Only focus on stories that mention at least one entity
  - Otherwise pre-compute and reuse
- We can use fast samplers for z as well [Yao et. Al. KDD09]

### Experiments

- Yahoo! News datasets over two months
  - Three sub-sampled sets with different characteristics
- Editorially-labeled documents
  - Cannot-like and must-link pairs
- Performance measures using clustering accuracy
- Baseline
  - A strong offline Correlation clustering algorithm [WSDM 11]
    - Scaled with LSH to compute neighborhood graph (similar to Petrovic 2010)

## Structured Browsing

#### **Sports**

games
Won
Team
Final
Season
League
held

#### **Politics**

Government
Minister
Authorities
Opposition
Officials
Leaders
group

#### Unrest

Police
Attach
run
man
group
arrested
move

#### **UEFA-soccer**

Champions Juventus
Goal AC Milan
Leg Real Madrid
Coach Milan
Striker Lazio
Midfield Ronaldo
penalty Lyon

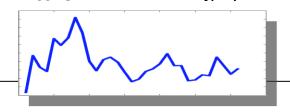
#### **Tax-bills**

Tax Bush
Billion Senate
Cut US
Plan Congress
Budget Fleischer
Economy White House
lawmakers Republican

#### **Border-Tension**

Nuclear
Border
India
Dialogue
Comparite
Diplomatic
Militant
Insurgency
Musharraf
Wajpayee

Pakistan
India
Kashmir
New Delhi
Islamabad
Insurgency
Musharraf
Vajpayee



## Structured Browsing

### More Like India-Pakistan story

### Based on topics

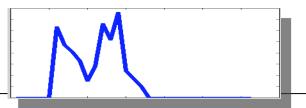
#### Middle-east-conflict

Peace Israel
Roadmap Palestinian
Suicide West bank
Violence Sharon
Settlements Hamas
bombing Arafat

### Nuclear+ topics [politics]

#### **Nuclear programs**

Nuclear South Korea summit South Korea U.S policy Bush missile program



#### **Border-Tension**

Nuclear Pakistan
Border India
Dialogue Kashmir
Diplomatic New Delhi
militant Islamabad
Insurgency Musharraf
wissile Vajpayee

# Structured Browsing

#### **Sports**

games Won Team Final Season

#### **Politics**

Government Minister **Authorities** Opposition Officials

#### Unrest

Police Attach run man group

# More on Personalization later on the talk

Champions

Goal Leg

Coach

Striker Midfield

penalty

**Juventus** 

AC Milan Real Madrid

Milan

Lazio

Ronaldo

Lyon

Tax Billion

Cut

Plan

Budget

Economy

lawmakers

Bush

Senate

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Dialogue

**Diplomatic** 

militant

Insurgency

missile

**Pakistan** 

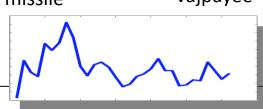
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New Delhi

Islamabad

Musharraf

Vajpayee



## Quantitative Evaluation

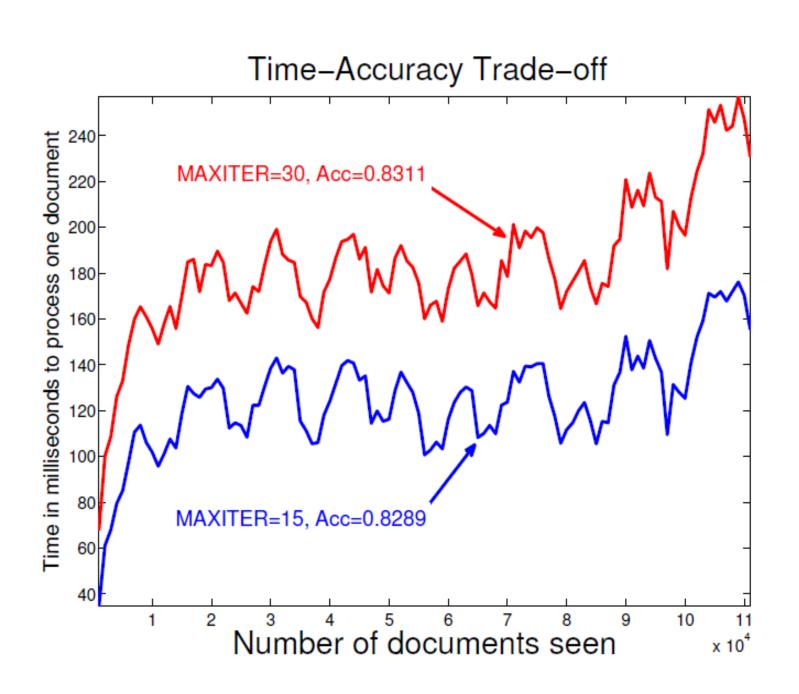
#### Number of topics = 100

Sample	Sample	Num	Num	Story	LSHC
No.	size	Words	Entities	Acc.	Acc.
1	111,732	19,218	12,475	0.8289	0.738
2	274,969	29,604	21,797	0.8388	0.791
3	547,057	40,576	32,637	0.8395	0.800

### Effect of number of topics

sample-No.	K=50	K=100	K=200	K=300
1	0.8261	0.8289	0.8186	0.8122
2	0.8293	0.8388	0.8344	0.8301
3	0.8401	0.8395	0.8373	0.8275

# Scalability



### **Model Contribution**

Removed	Time	Names	Story	Topics
Feature		entites	words	(equiv. RCRP)
Accuracy	0.8225	.6937	0.8114	0.7321

- Named entities are very important
- Removing time increase processing up to 2 seconds per document

# Putting Things Together

### Time vs. Machines

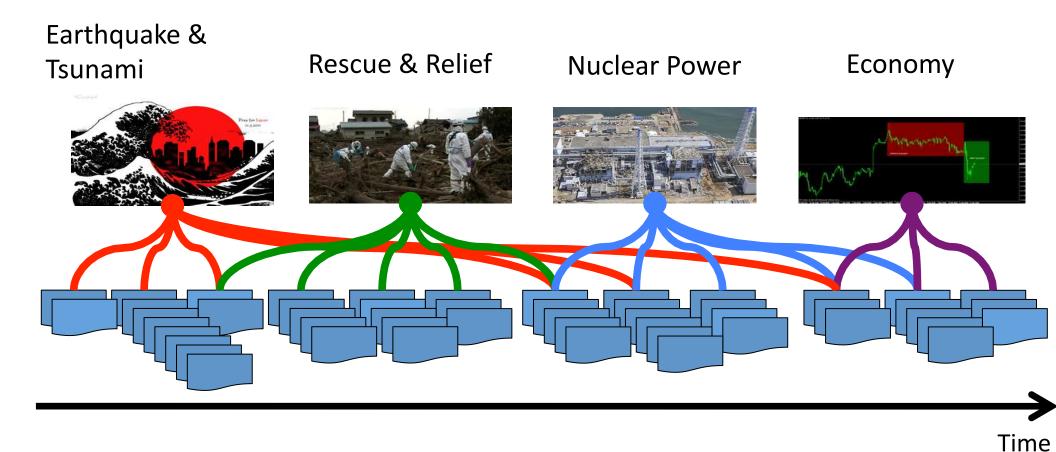
- Data arrives dynamically
- How to keep models up to date?

	Batch	Mini-batches	Truly online
Single-Machine	Gibbs Variational	Online-LDA	SMC
Multi-Machine	Star-Synch.	Star-Synch + Synchronous step	?

### 4.3 User Preference

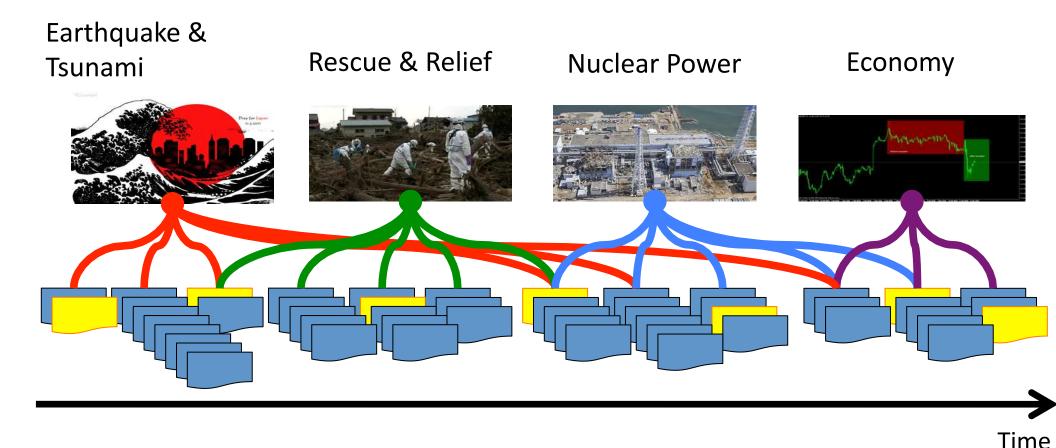
# Online EM and Submodularity

## Storyline Summarization



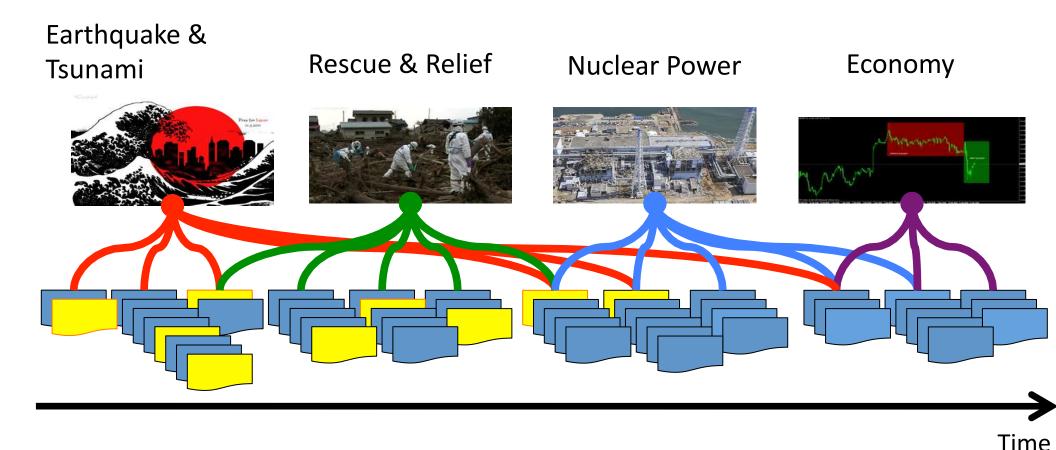
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### User Interaction

#### Passive

- We observe the user generated contents
- Model user based on those content using unsupervised techniques

#### Explicit

- We present users with content
- User give explicit feedback
  - Like/dislike
- Learn user preference using supervised techniques

#### Implicit

- Mixture between the two
- Present the user with items
- Observe which items the user interact with
- Learning user preference using semi-supervised models

### **User Satisfaction**

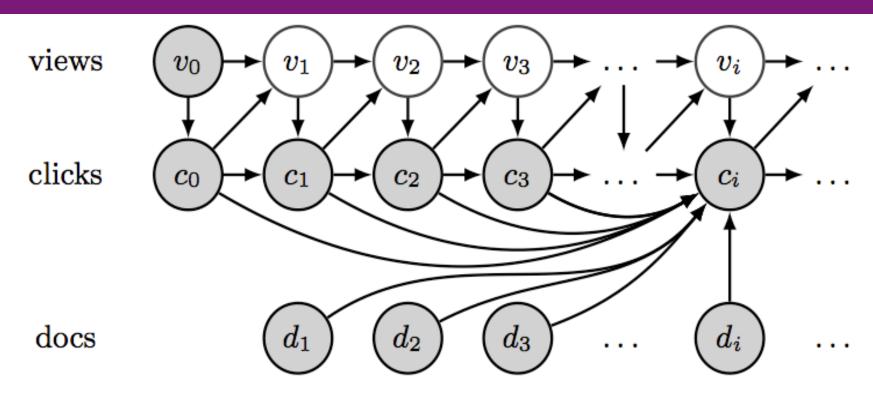
### Modular

- Present users with items she prefers
  - Regardless of the context
- Targets relevance
- Ex: vector space models

### Submodular

- More of the same thing is not always better
  - Dimensioning return
- Targets diversity
- Ex: TDN [ElArini et. Al. KDD 09]

# Sequential Click-View Model

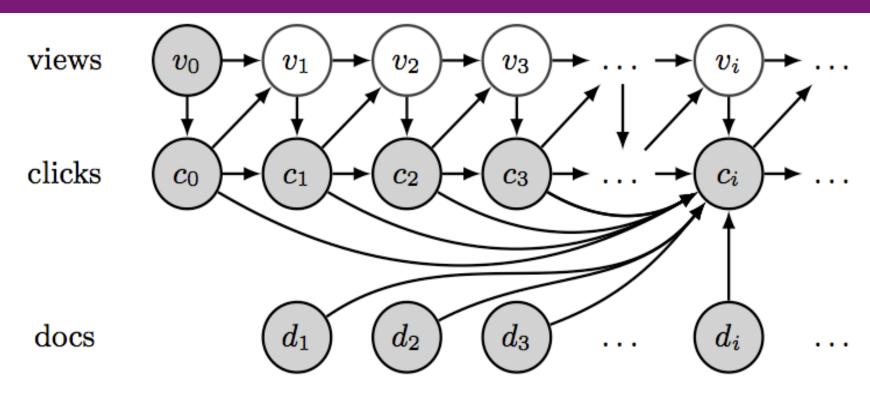


#### Modeling Views based on position

$$p(v_i = 1 \mid v_{i-1} = 1, c_{i-1} = 1) = \frac{1}{(1 + \exp(-\alpha_i))}$$

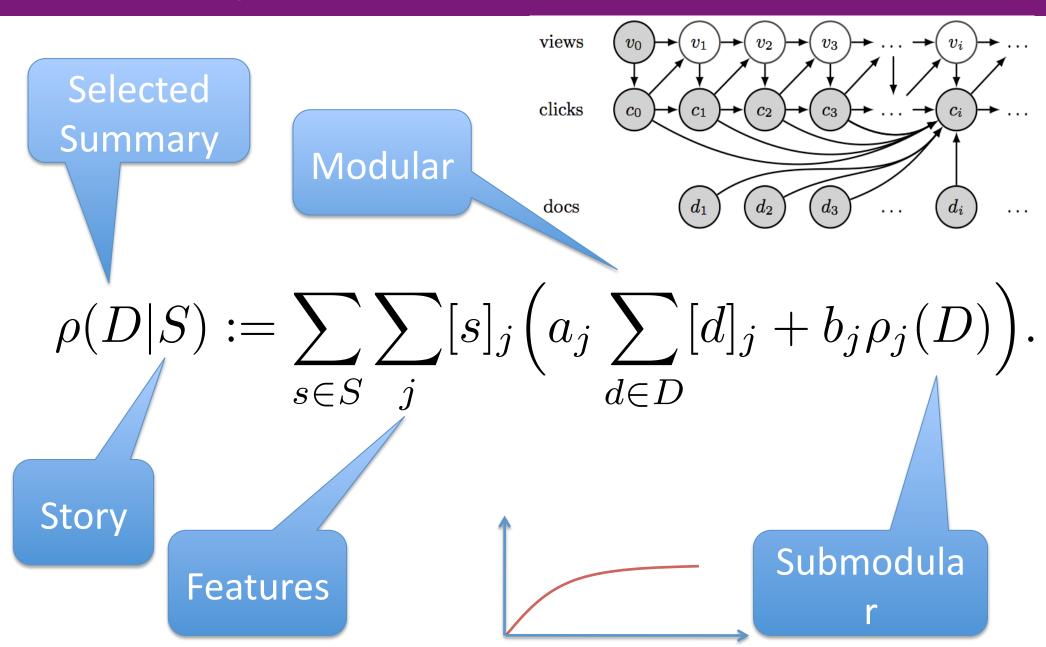
$$p(v_i = 1 \mid v_{i-1} = 1, c_{i-1} = 0) = \frac{1}{(1 + \exp(-\beta_i))}$$

## Sequential Click-View Model



Modeling clicks using position and information gain

## Sequential Click-View Model



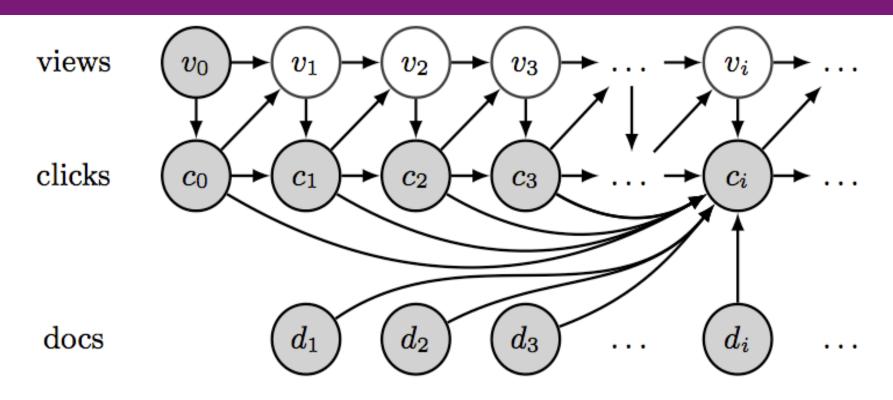
### Online Inference

- Treat missing views as hidden variables
  - Realistic interaction model

- Use the online EM algorithm
  - Infer the value of hidden variables

- Optimize parameters using SGD
  - Use additive weights
    - Background + story + category + user

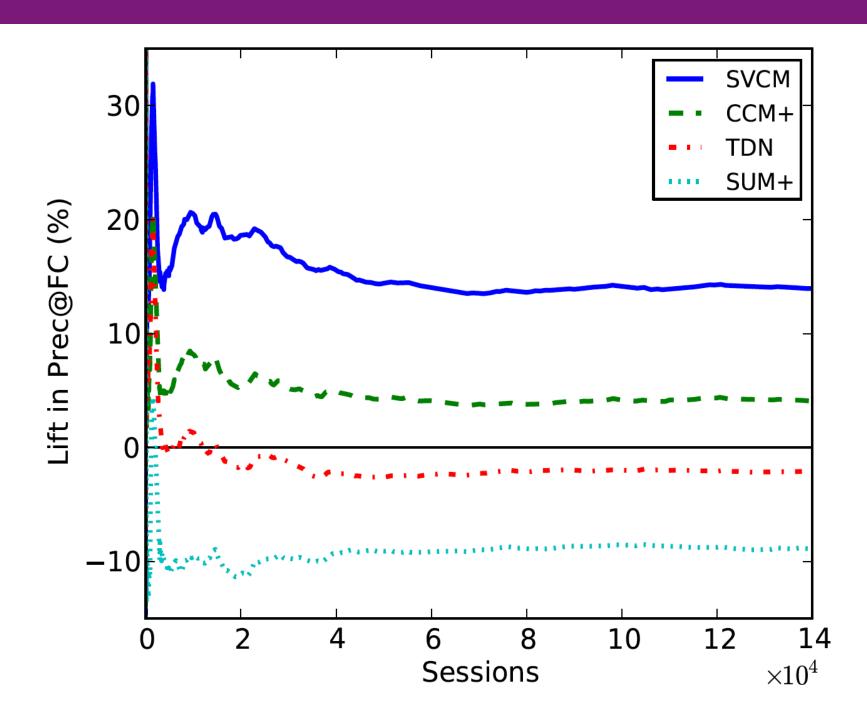
### Online Inference



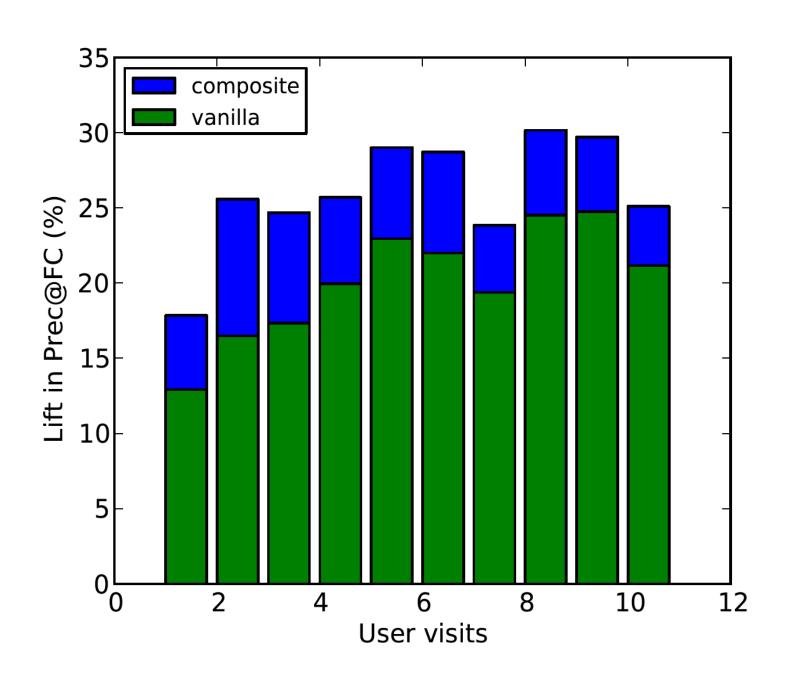
$$\Psi^* = \arg\min_{\Psi} \sum_{(c,d)} -\log p(c|\Psi,d) + \lambda \Omega(\Psi)$$

$$\Psi = \Psi_0 + \Psi_u + \Psi_s + \Psi_c.$$

## How Does it Work?



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## 5. Summary Future Directions

## Summary

#### Tools

- Load distribution, balancing and synchronization
- Clustering, Topic Models

#### Models

- Dynamic non-parametric models
- Sequential latent variable models

### Inference Algorithms

- Distributed batch
- Sequential Monte Carlo

#### Applications

- User profiling
- News content analysis & recommendation

### **Future Directions**

- Theoretical bounds and guarantees
- Network data
  - Graph partitioning
- Non-parametric models
  - Learning structure from data
- Working under communication constraints
- Data distribution for particle filters