

# Exploration of Large Document Sets



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# Exploration of Large Document Sets: What is the underlying data?

- 500...1'000'000 documents
- Homogeneous or heterogeneous documents
- Arbitrary data sources, e.g. news, scientific articles, project reports etc.
- Arbitrary data formats, e.g. txt, pdf, word, OCR output etc.
- Plain text or with meta data (author, date, source, ID etc.)

# Exploration of Large Document Sets: What are the potential goals?

1. Find documents for specific keywords/topics (search)
2. Find the most relevant document (search, filter)
3. Extract structured information (e.g. NER)
4. Get an overview
5. Find "something interesting"

# Sample Applications for Large Document Set Exploration



## Historical Analysis

- Goal: understand development of a specific topic over time
- 500-50k news articles



## Scientific Research:

- Goal: quick overview of a research field
- 1'000-50k papers for a specific topic

## Challenge a Patent:

- Goal: for a given patent, find the most similar patents
- Size: 14 million patents worldwide, 1-2k after pre-filtering

## Police Forensics:

- Goal: find "interesting" documents for a criminal case on a harddisk
- Size: 100k-500k docs





# Topic Modeling can identify topics in large document sets

“Genetics”	“Evolution”	“Disease”	“Computers”
human	evolution	disease	computer
genome	evolutionary	host	models
dna	species	bacteria	information
genetic	organisms	diseases	data
genes	life	resistance	computers
sequence	origin	bacterial	system
gene	biology	new	network
molecular	groups	strains	systems
sequencing	phylogenetic	control	model
map	living	infectious	parallel
information	diversity	malaria	methods
genetics	group	parasite	networks
mapping	new	parasites	software
project	two	united	new
sequences	common	tuberculosis	simulations

Methods:  
- LDA  
- LSA

100-topic LDA model to 17,000 articles from the journal "Science"

# Clustering can group similar documents

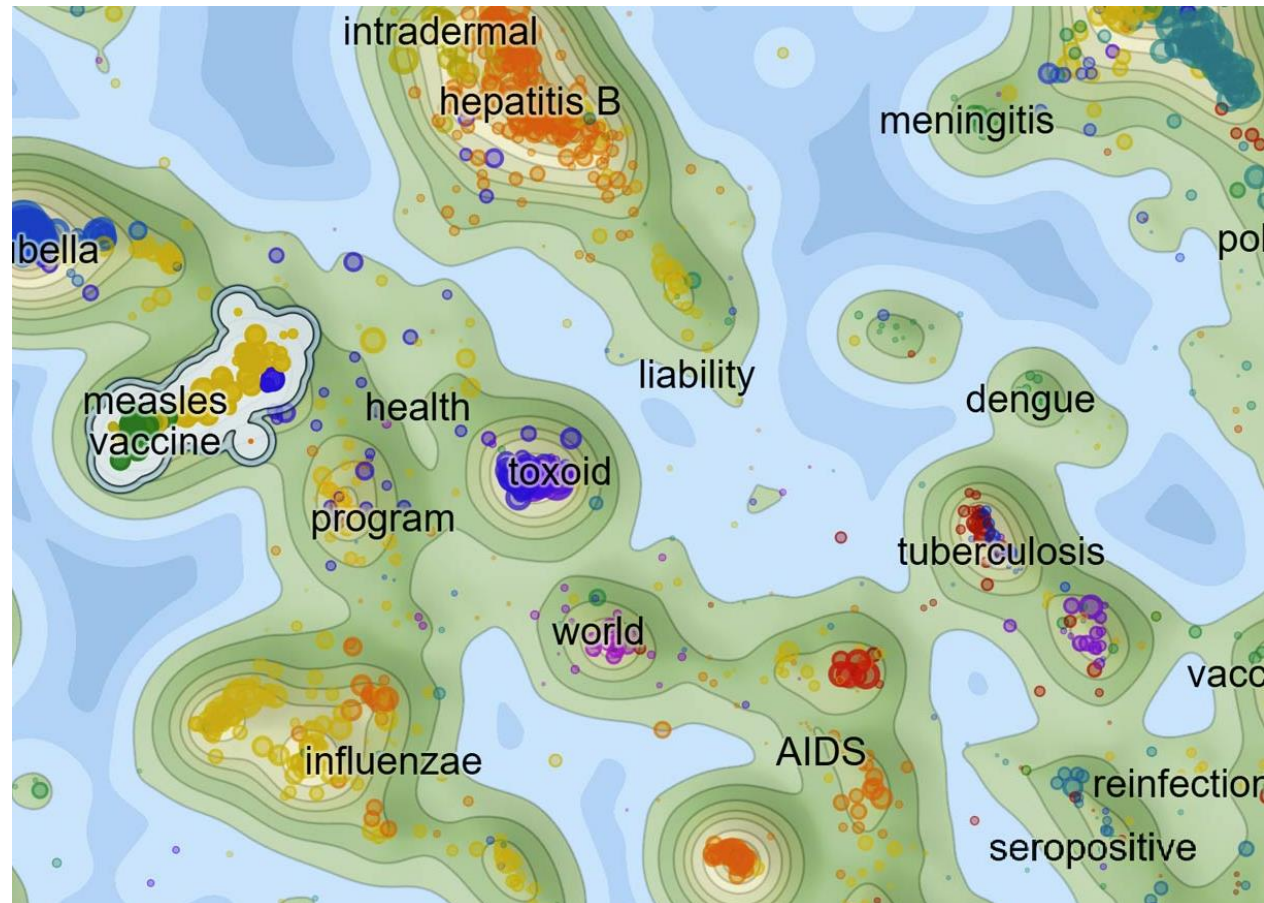


## Methods:

- K-Means
- Agglomerative Clustering
- DB-SCAN
- Gaussian Mixture Models



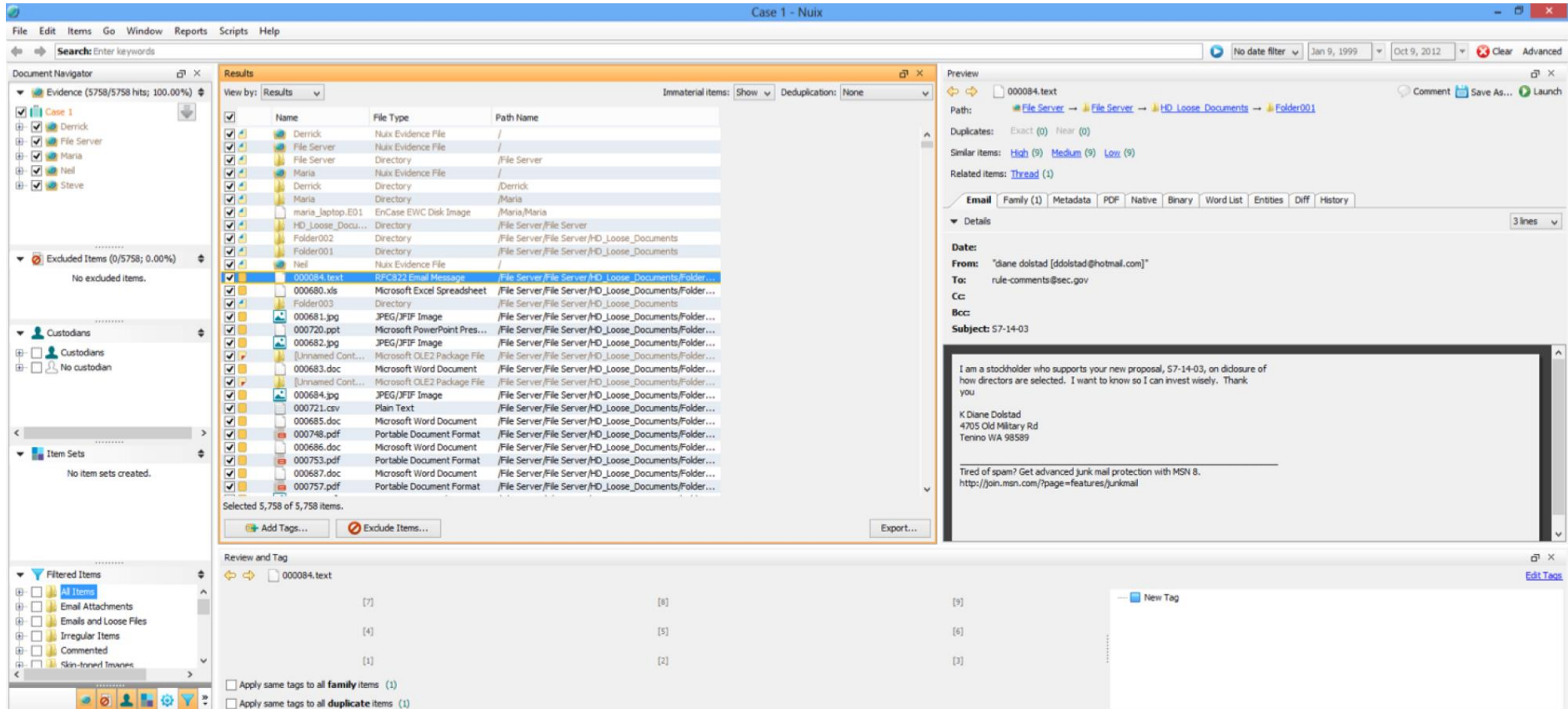
# Visualization of clustering scientific article; distance is "textual similarity" of the abstracts



<https://carrotsearch.com/lingo4g>



# There exist tools to explore a computer hard drive interactively



The screenshot displays the Nuix Case 1 interface. On the left, the Document Navigator shows a tree view of the case, including 'Evidence (5758/5758 hits; 100.00%)' and 'Excluded Items (0/5758; 0.00%)'. The main Results pane shows a list of files with columns for Name, File Type, and Path Name. The selected file is '000084.text', an RPC822 Email Message. The Preview pane on the right shows the email content, including the sender 'diane dolstad [ddolstad@hotmail.com]', the subject 'S7-14-03', and the body text: 'I am a stockholder who supports your new proposal, S7-14-03, on disclosure of how directors are selected. I want to know so I can invest wisely. Thank you'. Below the preview, there is a 'Review and Tag' section with a table of tags and their counts.

Tag	Count
[7]	[8]
[4]	[5]
[1]	[2]

At the bottom of the Review and Tag section, there are checkboxes for 'Apply same tags to all family items (1)' and 'Apply same tags to all duplicate items (1)'. A 'New Tag' dialog box is also visible at the bottom right.

<https://www.nuix.com>

# Anomalies in large documents sets can be detected by unsupervised methods

greatest show ever mad full stop greatest show ever mad full stop greate  
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lived let tell idea heck bear walk never heard whole years really funny be  
ten minutes people spewing gallons pink vomit recurring scenes enormou  
john made two one man shows rama freaks neither one shown dvd john  
suspenseful subtle much much disturbing

Most anomalous reviews in the IMBD test set according to CVDD

<https://www.aclweb.org/anthology/P19-1398.pdf>

# Thank You!



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