Derivatives of RF

1 *BM25F*

BM25F is defined by (1),(2) and (3):

$$BM25F(d,q) = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{TF_D(d,t)}{k_1 + TF_D(d,t)}$$
(1)

$$IDF(t) = \log \frac{N}{N_d} \tag{2}$$

$$TF_D(d,t) = w_{summ} \times \frac{occurrences(d[summ],t)}{1 - b_{summ} + \frac{b_{summ} \times length_{summ}}{average_length_{summ}}} + w_{desc} \times \frac{occurrences(d[desc],t)}{1 - b_{desc} + \frac{b_{desc} \times length_{desc}}{average_length_{desc}}}$$
(3)

Derivative of BM25F with respect to k_1 :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial k_1} = -\sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{TF_D(d, t)}{(k_1 + TF_D(d, t))^2}$$
(4)

Derivative of BM25F with respect to w_{summ} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial w_{summ}} = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{k_1}{(k_1 + TF_D(d, t))^2} \times \frac{occurrences(d[summ], t)}{1 - b_{summ} + \frac{b_{summ} \times length_{summ}}{average_length_{summ}}}$$
(5)

Derivative of BM25F with respect to w_{desc} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial w_{desc}} = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{k_1}{(k_1 + TF_D(d, t))^2} \times \frac{occurrences(d[desc], t)}{1 - b_{desc} + \frac{b_{desc} \times length_{desc}}{average_length_{desc}}}$$
(6)

Derivative of BM25F with respect to b_{summ} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial b_{summ}} = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{k_1}{(k_1 + TF_D(d, t))^2} \times \frac{w_{summ} \times occurrences(d[summ], t)}{(1 - b_{summ} + \frac{b_{summ} \times length_{summ}}{average_length_{summ}})^2} \times (1 - \frac{length_{summ}}{average_length_{summ}})$$
(7)

Derivative of BM25F with respect to b_{desc} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial b_{desc}} = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{k_1}{(k_1 + TF_D(d, t))^2} \times \frac{w_{desc} \times occurrences(d[desc], t)}{(1 - b_{desc} + \frac{b_{desc} \times length_{desc}}{average_length_{desc}})^2} \times (1 - \frac{length_{desc}}{average_length_{desc}})$$
(8)

2 $BM25F_{ext}$

 $BM25F_{ext}$ is defined by (9) and (10):

$$BM25F(d,q) = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{TF_D(d,t)}{k_1 + TF_D(d,t)} \times \frac{(k_3 + 1) \times TF_Q(q,t)}{k_3 + TF_Q(q,t)}$$
(9)

$$TF_Q(q,t) = w_{summ} \times occurrences(d[summ], t) + w_{desc} \times occurrences(d[desc], t)$$
(10)

2.1 First Round

In the first tuning round, k_3 is fixed to 0, and $BM25F_{ext}$ is reduced to BM25F, thus

Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to k_1 :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial k_1} = \frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial k_1} \tag{11}$$

Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to w_{summ} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial w_{summ}} = \frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial w_{summ}} \tag{12}$$

Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to w_{desc} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial w_{desc}} = \frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial w_{desc}} \tag{13}$$

Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to b_{summ} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial b_{summ}} = \frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial b_{summ}} \tag{14}$$

Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to b_{desc} :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial b_{desc}} = \frac{\partial BM25F}{\partial b_{desc}} \tag{15}$$

2.2 Second Round

In the second round, all k_1 , w_{summ} , w_{desc} , b_{summ} and b_{desc} are fixed except k_3 , thus Derivative of $BM25F_{ext}$ with respect to k_3 :

$$\frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial k_3} = \sum_{t \in d \cap q} IDF(t) \times \frac{TF_D(d,t)}{k_1 + TF_D(d,t)} \times \frac{TF_Q^2 - TF_Q}{(k_3 + TF_Q)^2}$$
(16)

3 *RF*

The retrieval function RF is defined in (17):

$$RF(d,q) = \sum_{i=1}^{7} w_i \times feature_i$$
(17)

Derivative of RF with respect to w_i :

$$\frac{\partial RF}{\partial w_i} = feature_i \tag{18}$$

Derivative of RF with respect to a parameter p in $feature_i (i \in \{1,2\})$ – the textual similarities computed by $BM25F_{ext}$:

$$\frac{\partial RF}{\partial p} = w_i \times \frac{\partial BM25F_{ext}}{\partial p} \tag{19}$$

4 RNC

Given the retrieval function RF and a training instance I = (q, rel, irr), the cost function RNC is defined in (20):

$$RNC(I) = log(1 + e^{Y}) \text{ where } Y = RF(irr, q) - RF(rel, q)$$
⁽²⁰⁾

Derivative of RNC with respect to Y:

$$\frac{\partial RNC}{\partial Y} = \frac{e^Y}{1+e^Y} \tag{21}$$

Derivative of Y with respect to a parameter x in RF:

$$\frac{\partial Y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial RF}{\partial x}(irr,q) - \frac{\partial RF}{\partial x}(rel,q)$$
(22)

Therefore, the derivative of RNC with respect to a parameter x in RF is defined as follows:

$$\frac{\partial RNC}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial RNC}{\partial Y} \times \frac{\partial Y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial RNC}{\partial Y} \times \left(\frac{\partial RF}{\partial x}(irr,q) - \frac{\partial RF}{\partial x}(rel,q)\right)$$
(23)