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Your Supreme Court Justices


## Basic workflow



## Parliamentary debates


"in the beginning there was the Treaty..."



## Vote

a No
a Yes

Collins vs. de Valera

## Predicting the Treaty vote

Predicting the vote

- Random Forest model
- Out-of-bag error rate 21.74\%
- Confusion table:

|  | 0 | 1 | class. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| error |  |  |  |
| 0 | 24 | 4 | 0.14 |
| 1 | 6 | 12 | 0.33 |




## Transfer Topic Labeling

## https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.00793

Unsupervised topic modeling with transfer topic labeling


## Transfer Labeling

## Jaccard index

$$
J(A, B)=\frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}
$$

A: Set of top $k$ words from an estimated topic
B: Set of weighted keywords from a Comparative Agendas Project topic

# NLP in International Relations 





## UNGDC

## https://github.com/sjankin/UnitedNations

- All speeches from 1970 to 2017.
- United Nations Dag Hammarskjold Library: English version.
- 7,897 statements.
- UN membership: 70 (1970) and 193 (2017).
- On average 123 sentences, 945 unique forms, and 3,248 individual words each.

The meeting was suspended at $11.25 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and resumed at $11.50 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

ADDRESS BY MR. GEORGE BUSH, PRES IDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
The PRES IDENT: The Assembly will now hear an address by the president of the United States of America.

Mr. George Bush, President of the United States of America, wer escorted into the General Assembly Hall.

The PRESIDENT: On behalf of the General Assembly I have the honous to welcome to the United Nations the President of the United States of America, His Excellency Mr. George Bush, and to invite him to address the General Assembly.

President BUSH: I am honoured to address the General Assembly today at the beginning of its forty-fourth session. I should like to congratulate Joseph Garba of Nigeria, a distinguished diplomat, on his election as President of this session of the General Assembly, and I wish him success in his presidency.

I feel a great personal pleasure on this occasion, for this is a homecoming

## Conflict Prediction



## Ukraine Territorial Integrity

- Vote on Resolution 68/262; Sanctions.
- Random forest estimation.
- Out-of-bag test error rate 7.78\%.
- Variable importance - aggregate improvement in the optimization objective for each predictor.




## Rhetorical links and policy

## Impact of Climate Change on Human Health



[^0]Cholera,
cryptosporidiosis,
campylobacter, leptospirosis,
harmful algal blooms


Figure 8.4. Areas of the UK where the climate could support vivax malaria. Shading represents the number of months where vivax malaria could be transmitted (grey $=0$, blue $=1$, yellow $=2$, orange $=3$ ). Red circles show malaria cases in the $19^{\text {th }}$ Century. Based on the UKCIP for 1961-90.


Figure 8.5. Projected future risk maps for vivax malarial transmission under a medium-low ( $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ and c ) and a medium-high ( $d, e$ and $f$ ) climate change scenario. Maps show risk for the period 2020s (a and d), 2050s (b and e) and 2080s ( $c$ and f). Based on UKCIP02.



## THE LANCET

The 2018 report of the Lancet Countdown on health and climate change

"The nature and scale of the response to climate change will be the determining factor in shaping the health of nations for centuries to come."

## Thank you!

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[^0]:    Malnutrition,
    diarrheal disease

