### Perspectives on Data Access And Use at Scale: Lessons from the Field

## Topic Modeling on the Kadi Registers

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# Kadi Registers?

- One of the most important sources
- Turkish, Arabic, and Persian
- Maintained in book format
- 15<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> centuries
- Judgement for every unique event
- Transcription??





# Challenges

- 32 letters Persian and Turkish,
- Writing order is from left to right,
- Vowel point!
- Difficult to distinguish words!
- Separation of lines!
- Horizontal plane!
- Changing writing styles!



# Problem?

- Need for authority
- Develop community belonging
- Understand present problems!!



# Latent Dirichlet Allocation

- We need algorithmic tools!
- Probability distribution and Topic Modeling!
- LDA algorithm!

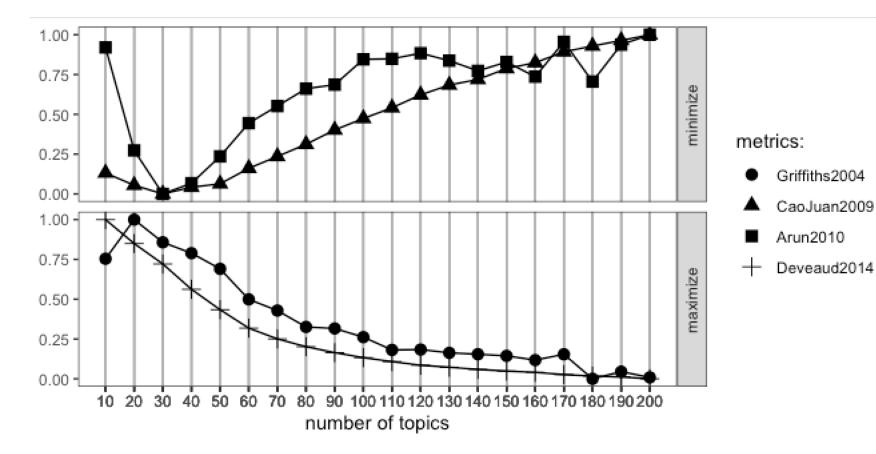


# The Dataset

- 23. Kadi Register book
- Consists of 648 single items (problem or case)
- I had transcribed it as my master's thesis
- To determine the topics of the each case =>



# Select # of The Topics

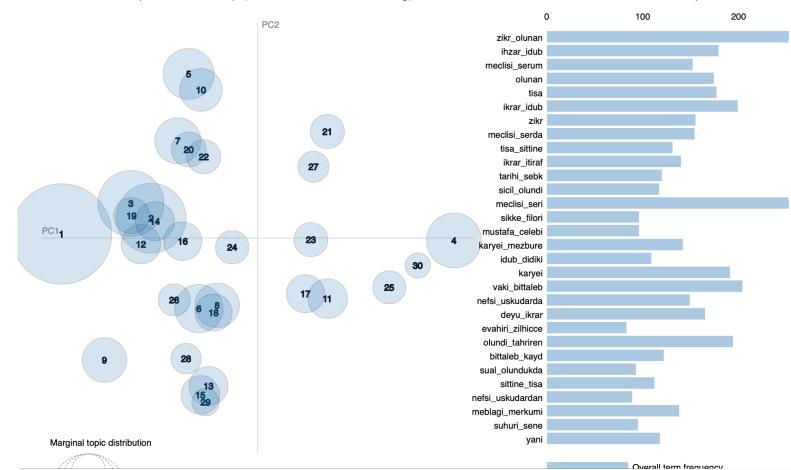




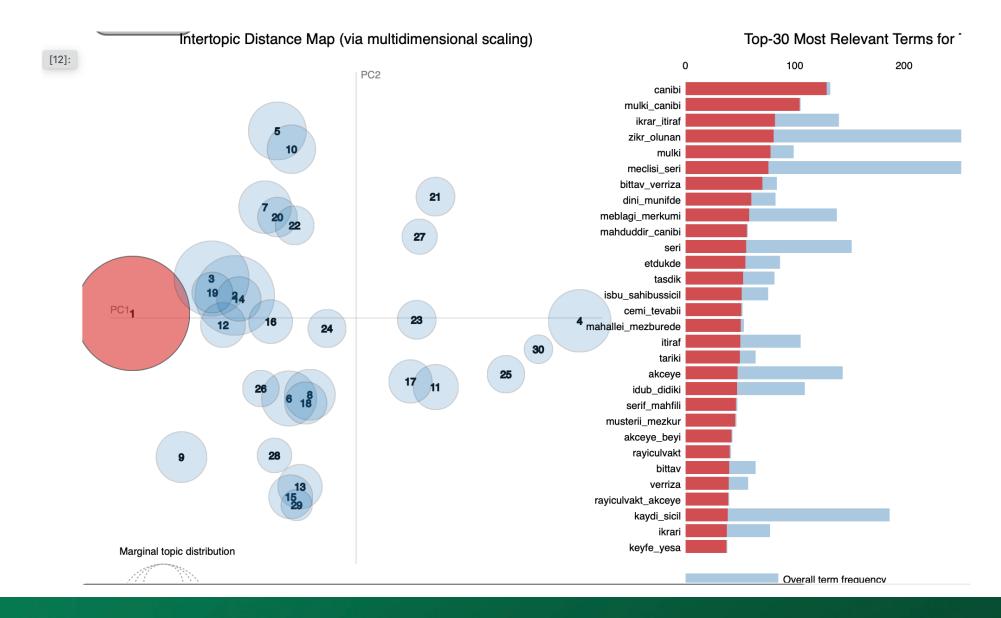
## Results

Intertopic Distance Map (via multidimensional scaling)







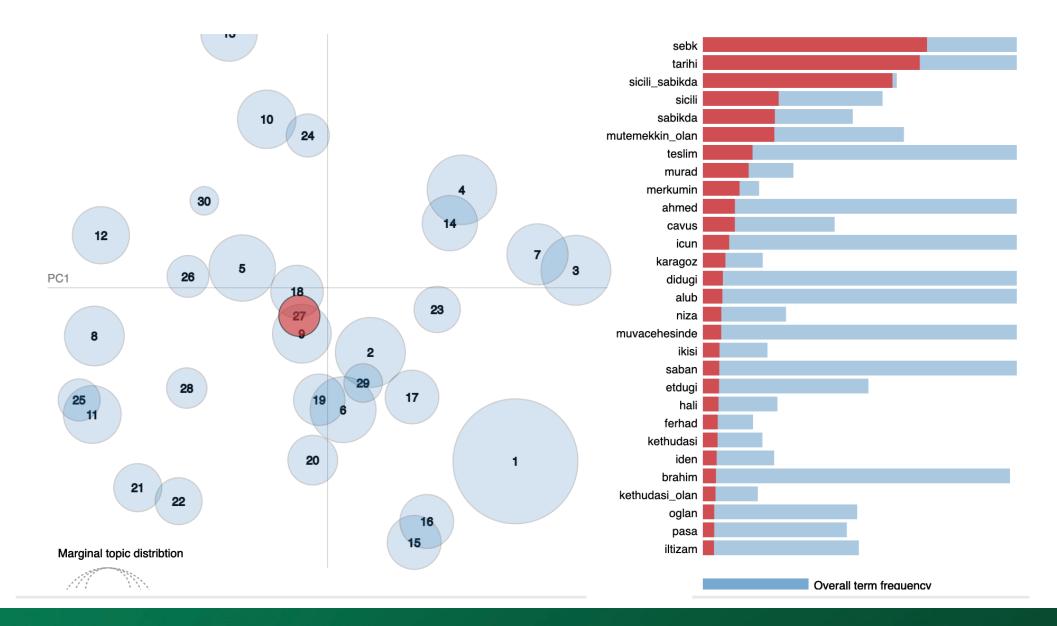




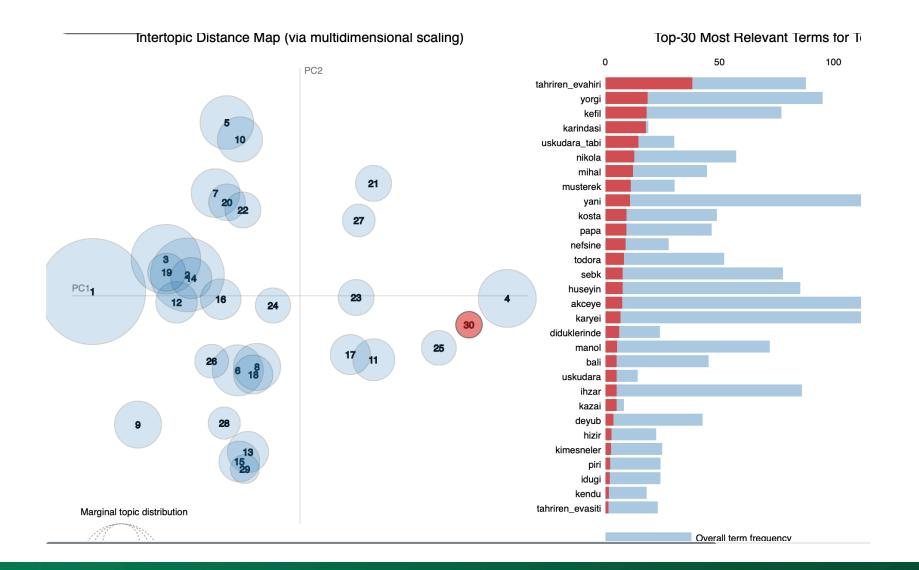
# Most Used Words..

- Vechi tahriri huruf oldur ki
- Vechi tahriri kaziyye budur ki
- Ve tarihi ma sebk
- Ve tarihi ma zikru filevvel
- Binti-Bt
- Bin
- Suhud Ma sebk
- Tahriren fi



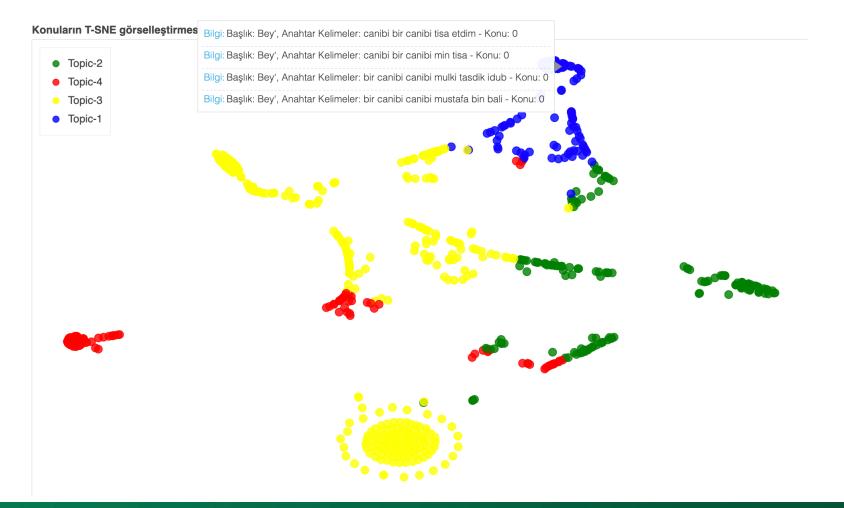






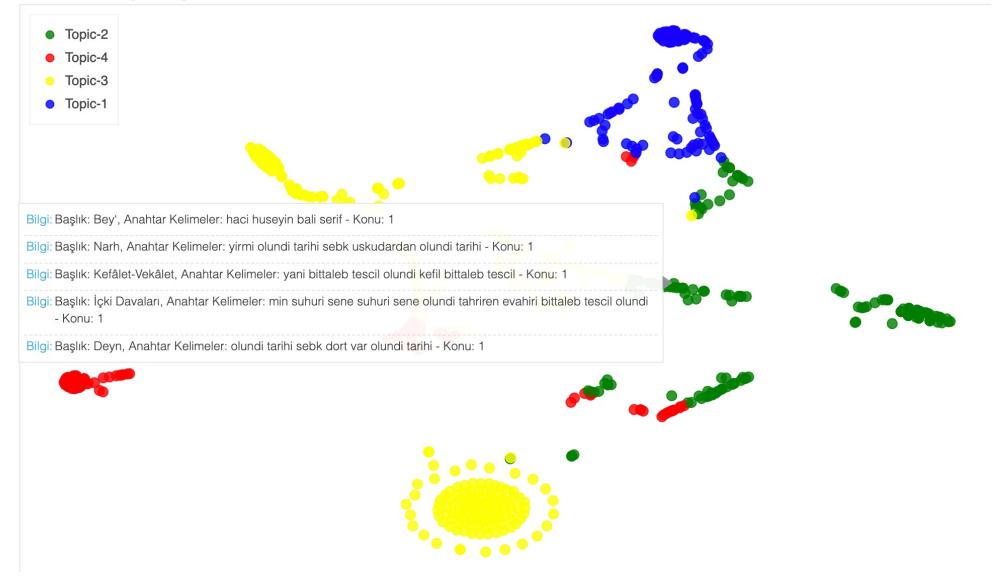


#### **Dimension Reduction**





#### Konuların T-SNE görselleştirmesi







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# Conclusion

- With this model, it has been seen more clearly which topics in the Kadi Registers are included with which words.
- This facilitates the identification of documents and automatic classification.
- In the transcription of documents, each case is assigned to a single subject.
- However, in the LDA model, it is possible to have different topics in each case at the same time.
- At the point of access to these documents, the user is offered a wider choice of topics.
- the LDA algorithm is based on the bag of words approach!! (Limit)



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