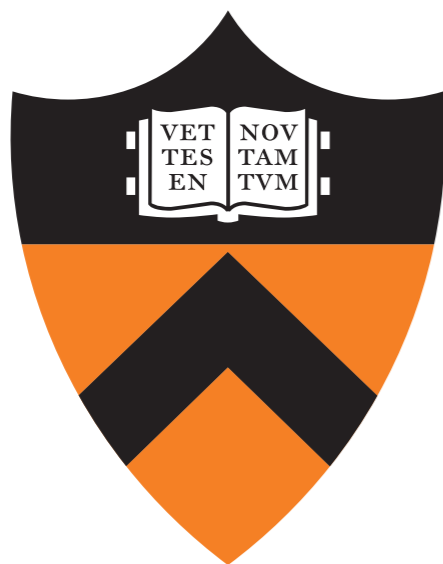




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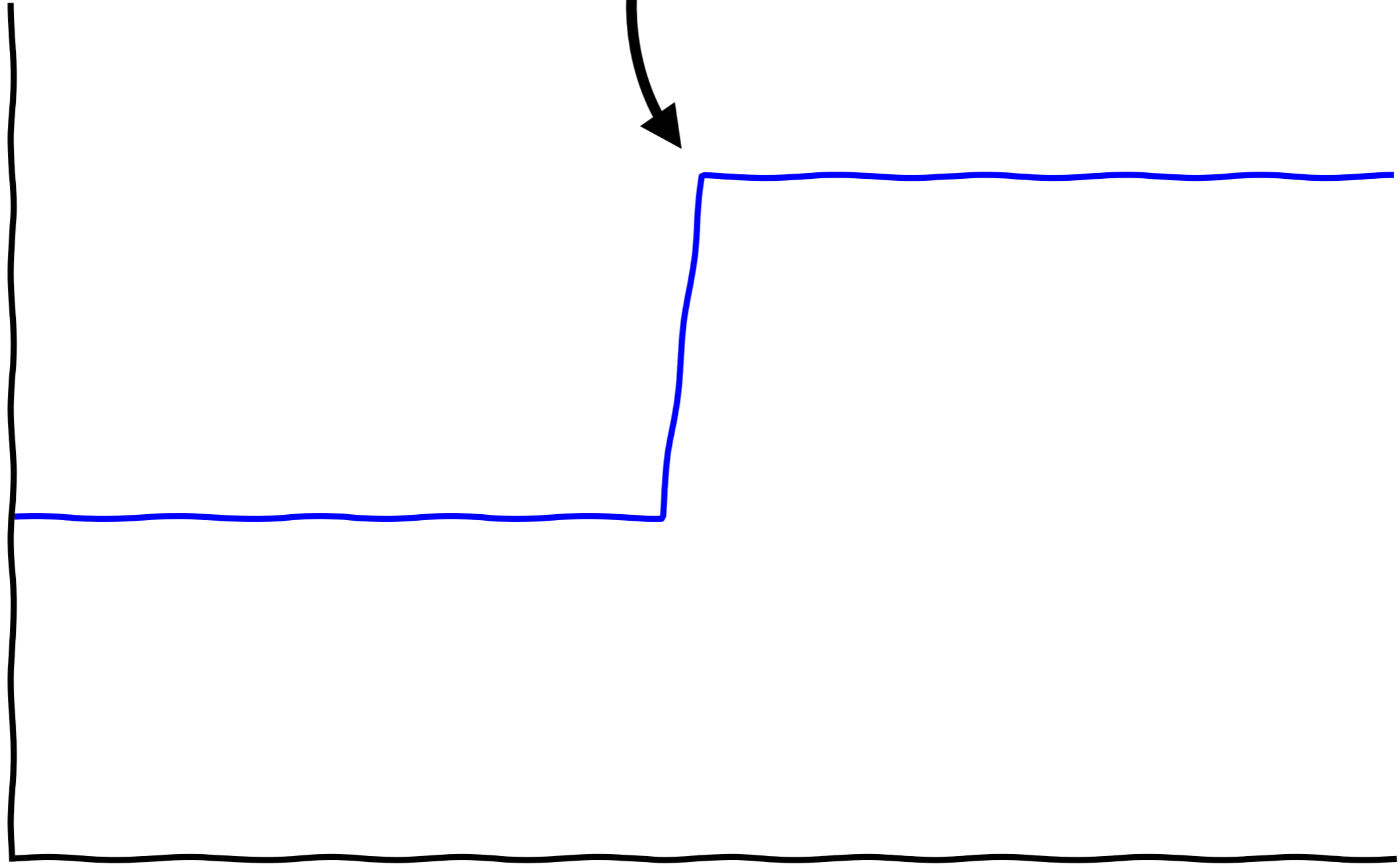
Embedding & Recommendation

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Thoughts about food

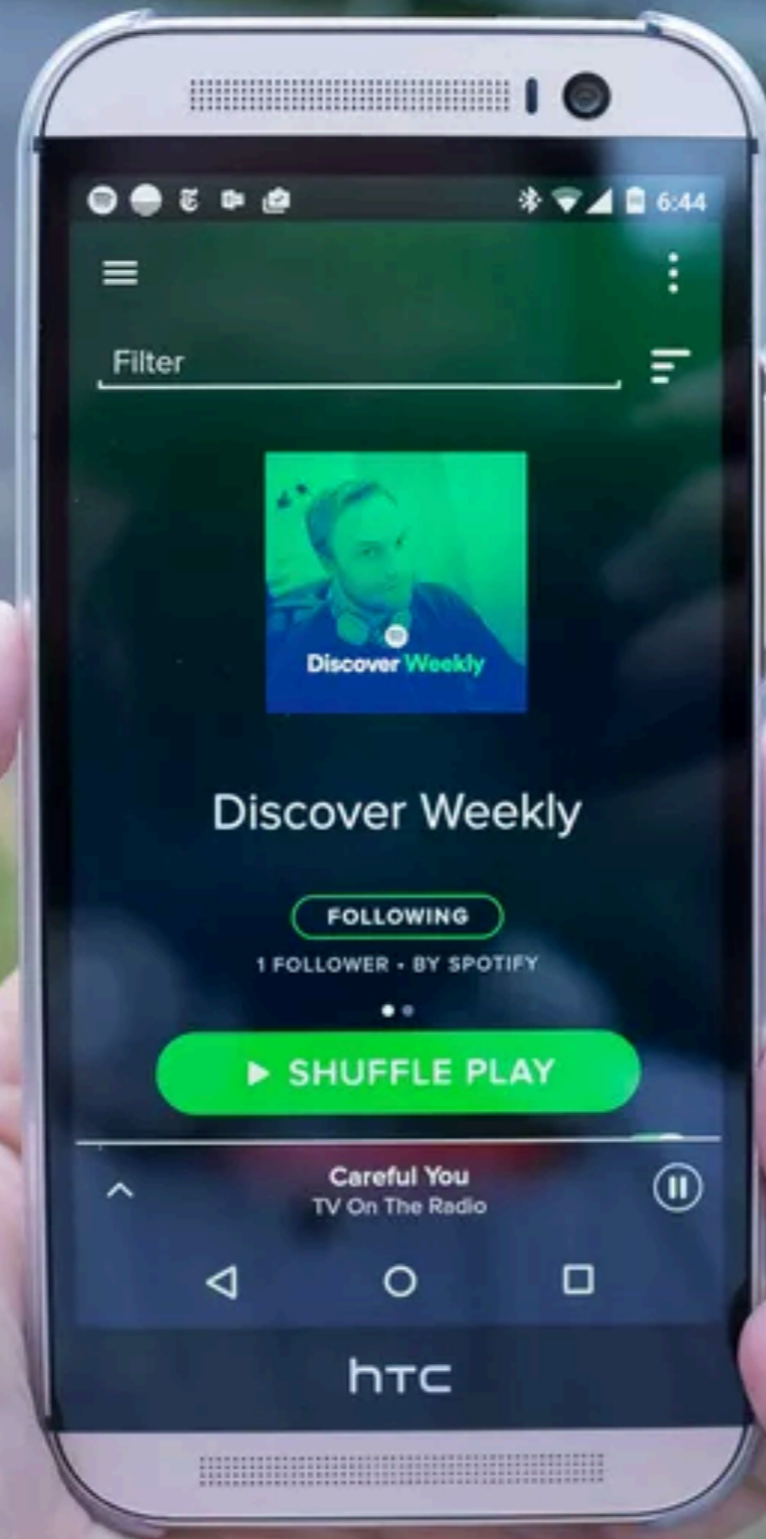
Stop eating



Time







Filipino pork BBQ

vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic



PREDICT REST OF INGREDIENTS (CONTEXT)

vinegar → 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic

DON'T PREDICT RANDOM INGREDIENTS (OUT-OF-CONTEXT)

vinegar ↗ corn, hog_casings, fresh_tomatoes, wonton_wrappers

7_up → vinegar, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic

7_up ↗ olive, cheese, all_purpose_flour, toasted_sesame_seeds

pork → 7_up, vinegar, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic

pork ↗ ...

soy_sauce → vinegar, 7_up, pork, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic

soy_sauce ↗ ...

pepper → vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic

pepper ↗ ...

brown_sugar → vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, lemon, garlic

brown_sugar ↗ ...

lemon → vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, garlic

lemon ↗ ...

garlic → vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon

garlic ↗ ...

Recipe embeddings

filipino_pork_bbq

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average(vinegar, 7_up, pork, soy_sauce, pepper, brown_sugar, lemon, garlic)



User embeddings

jaan



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average(filipino_pork_bbq, smoked_salmon_sandwich, natto_rice)



Analogies

- Find nearest embedding to: *king - man + woman*
 - King is to man as woman is to *queen*
- Food analogies:
 - Egg is to bacon as orange juice is to *coffee*
 - Bread is to butter as roast beef is to *sage*

Demo

Visualizations:

<https://jaan.io/food2vec-augmented-cooking-machine-intelligence/>

Similarity, Analogy, Recommendation tools:

<https://altosaar.github.io/food2vec/>

Complements

- *Complementary items* are good at predicting each other's presence
- $P(\text{cinnamon} \mid \text{ground_cloves})$ is high *and* $P(\text{ground_cloves} \mid \text{cinnamon})$ is high



Complements

- turmeric | fenugreek
- tamarind | vinegar
- worcestershire_sauce | ketchup
- gochujang_base | kimchi
- mulato_chiles | guajillo_chiles
- soy_sauce | sesame_oil
- coconut | red_curry_paste

Substitutes

- *Exchangeables* induce similar distributions over items
 - $\text{Distance}(P(\cdot | \text{crushed_ice}) || P(\cdot | \text{ice}))$ is smaller than $\text{Distance}(P(\cdot | \text{crushed_ice}) || P(\cdot | \text{beans}))$



Substitutes

- taco_seasoning_mix | taco_seasoning
- ice_cubes | crushed_ice
- picante_sauce | red_enchilada_sauce
- melon | gin
- walnut | pecan
- semisweet_chocolate | bittersweet_chocolate
- cajun_seasoning | creole_seasoning
- boiling_water | hot_water
- miso_paste | konbu

Future ideas

- *Reduce decision fatigue, explore food*
- Expands what you can cook: recommend recipes, using substitutes for what ingredients you have
- Healthy recommendations that are more nutritious
- Recommend foods you are likely to enjoy based on recipes, foods, user ratings, or a combination

What's next?

- *Create new recipes and eat!*
- UI & UX exploration
- Test recommendations with user data from diet app
- More data, better data
- Code at <https://github.com/altosaar/food2vec>
- Email me at altosaar@princeton.edu

Credits

- Grocery store photo: Andreas Gursky (<http://www.andreasgursky.com/>)
- Spotify photo: <http://www.theverge.com/2016/5/25/11765472/spotify-discover-weekly-40-million-users-5-billion-streams>
- Filipino pork BBQ: <http://tastykitchen.com/recipes/main-courses/filipino-pork-bbq-on-skewers/>
- Smoked salmon openfacer: <http://michaelelliotking.com/>
- Me eating: Hanif
- Cloves: <http://image.shutterstock.com/z/stock-photo-macro-shot-of-whole-and-ground-cloves-one-in-a-current-series-of-multi-form-spice-macros-8660260.jpg>
- Cinnamon: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cinnamon>
- Ice: <http://www.kkrv.com/ice-bucket-challenge-helped-find-new-als-gene/>
- Crushed ice: http://www.wyzworks.com/media/catalog/product/cache/1/image/9df78eab33525d08d6e5fb8d27136e95/s/h/shaved_ice_1.jpg