

# Mixture of Two Unigram Language Models

- **Data:** Document  $d$
- **Mixture Model: parameters**  $\Lambda = (\{p(w | \theta_d)\}, \{p(w | \theta_B)\}, p(\theta_B), p(\theta_d))$ 
  - Two unigram LMs:  $\theta_d$  (the topic of  $d$ );  $\theta_B$  (background topic)
  - Mixing weight (topic choice):  $p(\theta_d) + p(\theta_B) = 1$

- **Likelihood function:**

$$\begin{aligned} p(d | \Lambda) &= \prod_{i=1}^{|\mathbf{d}|} p(x_i | \Lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^{|\mathbf{d}|} [p(\theta_d)p(x_i | \theta_d) + p(\theta_B)p(x_i | \theta_B)] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^M [p(\theta_d)p(w_i | \theta_d) + p(\theta_B)p(w_i | \theta_B)]^{c(w,d)} \end{aligned}$$

- **ML Estimate:**  $\Lambda^* = \arg \max_{\Lambda} p(d | \Lambda)$

$$\text{Subject to } \sum_{i=1}^M p(w_i | \theta_d) = \sum_{i=1}^M p(w_i | \theta_B) = 1 \quad p(\theta_d) + p(\theta_B) = 1$$