Embedded Lexica:

Extracting Keywords from Unlabeled Corpora using Word Embeddings

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Abstract

Researchers oftentimes find themselves in positions where they need to extract information, such as events or target topics, from large corpora. One common solution involves applying semantically-related keywords to identify tweets, news articles, or other documents of interest to researchers. However, it is rarely the case that dictionaries of relevance to the topic, event, or language are accessable to the researcher. Moreover, existing algorithms for extracting dictionaries, require many user-provided seed words or hand-coded documents to generate useful results and do not incorporate contextual information of natural language. In this paper, I present a novel algorithm, **conclust**, that applies word embeddings towards extracting keywords from unlabeled text using a small number of user-provided seed words and fitted word embeddings models. Compared to existing methods of lexicon extraction, conclust requires few seed words, is computationally efficient, and takes word context into account. I describe this algorithm's properties and benchmark its performance with existing methods of lexical dictionary extraction, comparing differences in user labor, conceptual clarity, and the ability to replicate existing keyword dictionaries.¹

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Introduction

In the social sciences, there is a significant mismatch between the availability and the demand for keywords. Sentiment analysis, machine learning, and data exploration oftentimes depend on the presence of validated dictionaries that are relevant to the text in question. Many researchers have attempted to avoid this problem by using pre-constructed sets of keywords. However, this approach is ill-advised as the semantics of words can differ dramatically across different contexts and corpora (Quinn et al. 2010). Accordingly it would be in the interest of researchers to have a method of quickly and efficiently generating dictionaries of conceptuallyrelated words that are relevant to the text data they intend to analyze.

Existing methods for producing dictionaries can involve a significant amount of human labor either to identify conceptually related terms or to hand code documents for the consumption of a machine learning algorithm, such as the model described by King, Lam, and Roberts (2017). Unsupervised machine learning methods offer some promising options to address this need. In particular, word embeddings, numeric representations of the semantic meaning of words, have been used to produce sentiment dictionaries and compare how concepts are associated in text (Rice and Zorn 2021). One advantage of the embeddings-based approach is that it is possible for models to incorporate semantic information from domainspecific corpora. Additionally, they require minimal input from researchers to generate high quality results. In sum, they represent an improvement in both the efficiency and quality of keyword production over alternative methods.

In this paper, I extend existing work that applies word embedding methods to generate sentiment dictionaries to the more general objective of producing conceptual dictionaries, also known as keywords (King, Lam, and Roberts 2017). I do so using a novel algorithm called **conclust**, which takes seed words as an input and produces a dictionary of words that are highly semantically similar to them.² Using the Turing test approach, I use a set of human-coded terms to examine how **conclust** performs over several parameter specifications

²This algorithm has been implemented in conclust an R package that is available on github.

(Turing 2012; Spirling and Rodriguez 2021). Additionally, I benchmark its performance against a well-documented set of conceptual dictionaries produced by the WordNet project (Miller 1995).

This paper is structured as follows, first I review the methods that have been used to generate keywords in the past, examining their advantages and limitations. Second, I describe the conclust algorithm, the inputs it requires and its properties. Third, I compare dictionaries produced by conclust with labeled terms to identify how to best apply it. Finally, I validate this approach by comparing conclust dictionaries with those produced by more traditional methods.

Literature

Keyword and conceptual dictionaries have been a part of social scientific research for decades. They are used in a variety of ways: identifying documents relevant to event extraction (Goldstein and Pevehouse 1997); topic labeling, extraction, and analysis (Laver and Garry 2000); and as target and attribute words for embedding analysis (Yang and Roberts 2021; Chester 2023).

Currently, keywords tend to be generated using three distinct approaches. First, human coders are frequently used to compile and validate keywords. This approach has some advantages, including its incorporation of human judgement into the dictionary generation process. This is the procedure used to generate many well documented and validated semantic dictionaries, such as WordNet (Miller 1995; Fellbaum 2010). On the other hand, it is quite costly to implement, which is a potentially significant barrier to entry for smaller research operations.

The second common method for generating keywords is to use supervised machine learning methods (King, Lam, and Roberts 2017). The benefit of this approach is that it can be customized to specific subcorpora and is significantly less costly to implement compared to using human coders. That said, this process still requires both the provision of humanprovided seed words and documents that are hand-coded by researchers.

Third, scholars, such as Häffner et al. (2023), have explored using deep learning as a tool for generating dictionaries. Their approach leverages the weights of a fitted deep learning model and their association with a continuous outcome variable to identify words whose weights are predictive of the target topic. It bears some similarities to that of King, Lam, and Roberts (2017), though the weights of a neural network model have the advantage of representing non-linear relationships between text and an outcome of interest. However, the utility of this methodology is largely limited to cases where a large corpus is paired with a variable of interest to the researcher.

Finally, in recent years, researchers have increasingly turned to word embeddings as a tool for accomplishing a similar task: the creation of sentiment dictionaries. To do so, they leverage a core feature of word embedding methods, that they generate word vectors that represent the semantic meaning of words as they appear in a given text corpus. They take seed words that represent opposite poles of a sentiment spectrum, a fitted word embedding model, and identify words that lie on a continuum between the chosen seed words (Rice and Zorn 2021). It's worth noting that thus far embedding-based methods have been limited to the specialized task of creating polarized sentiment dictionaries. In contrast, keywords do not have any polarity and can represent nominal concepts, such as "politics," "science," or "ethnicity."

conclust

The conclust algorithm is designed with a core question in mind: how can we identify semantically-related keywords in a way that is labor and cost efficient, is customizable to specific languages or text corpora, and is reproducible by other researchers? In this section I describe the design of the algorithm, its features, and the ways in which it can be applied to add.

This algorithm is designed to replicate the advantages of the sentiment dictionary-focused models developed by Rice and Zorn (2021) in the context of generating semantically-related sets of keywords. Namely, the objective should be making the process of generating keywords *generalizable* and *efficient*. As was the case for Rice and Zorn (2021), this is accomplished through a novel algorithm applied to word vectors generated by word embedding algorithms.

Why are embeddings necessary for this process? The primary reason is that high-quality fitted word embeddings model contains word vectors that can be used to represent the semantic meaning of words given the corpus that model was fitted upon. These semantic meanings can be used to identify similarities between words given the contexts in which they appear (Mikolov et al. 2013). The **conclust** algorithm (see Algorithm 1) leverages these semantic word vectors to obtain the set of keywords that are iteratively most similar to a user-provided set of seed words. In other words, each word added is the most similar in meaning to the current keyword set. The outcome is a set of keywords with a high degree of co-similarity as defined by a fitted word embeddings model.

Conclust requires several inputs: seed words, a fitted embedding model, and user provided size and similarity thresholds. In this context, *seed words* refer to a set of user-provided words that represent the target concept. Typically, they vary in size from two to eight words, with larger sets of seed words generally increasing the likelihood that the target concept will be represented in conclust output. The fitted embedding model can be represented as a $n \times m$ matrix where n is the number of tokens in the fitted model and m is the number of embedding dimensions.³ Finally, the model takes two user inputs that shape the model's stopping point. The size threshold is the maximum number of tokens that can be output from the conclust model. The similarity threshold, t, indicates the minimum average cosine similarity to the current set of dictionary words that a new word must have to be added to it.

³Conclust does not require that the embedding model be produced by any specific model. Thus far, I have experimented with *word2vec*, *GloVe*, and *FastText* models and they have all performed comparably well. More important than the model type is the size and quality of the data upon which they were fitted (Mikolov et al. 2013; Pennington, Socher, and Manning 2014; Bojanowski et al. 2017).

Higher thresholds ensure that the resulting dictionary will be smaller but more co-similar; lower thresholds will do the opposite.

Algorithm 1: conclust

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Input: Seed words: S; Embedding model M; Size threshold: n;

Similarity threshold: t

Result: Keyword set: K

K = S;

while |K| \ge n do

| \bar{m} = \forall m \in M \max(sim(K, m));

if mean(sim(K, \bar{m})) \ge t then

| K = K \cup \bar{m};

else

| break;

end

end
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When **conclust** is provided these inputs, it computes the cosine similarity between the seed word set and the remaining words in the fitted word embeddings model. The word that has the highest average similarity to the seed set, \bar{m} , is identified and added to that set. This process continues until either the size (n) or similarity thresholds (t) are met. The end results of this process is a set of words that are iteratively co-similar in semantic meaning. This process is deterministic, so that given the same inputs the model will generate identical results.

Evaluation

When discussing any new text as data method, our focus should be first validating that it works as intended and is an improvement on existing and commonly used alternatives (Quinn et al. 2010; Grimmer and Stewart 2013). In this section I validate conclust in several ways. First, I present sets of keywords produced by conclust that are designed to represent a few target concepts. Second, I describe how I use human subjects to generate comparison keyword sets with which conclust's keywords can be compared. Third, I examine the quality of conclust's keywords varies over various relevant parameters: the number of seed words provided and the keyword size threshold.⁴ Finally, I examine how conclust's keyword sets compare to those produced by WordNet (Miller 1995).

For this evaluation task, I compare dictionaries produced by conclust with those produced by human coders.⁵ Why human coders? Despite the progress that has been made in the application of machine learning to the generation of sentiment and conceptual dictionaries, human coders remain a popular tool in the generation of high-quality targeted dictionaries. Accordingly, human-coded dictionaries represent an effective benchmark against which dictionaries can and should be compared. However, there is no question that there is a degree of subjectivity in the decision to assign a word to a concept, even among the best trained research assistants. This is the rationale for including WordNet dictionaries (see Table 1) are included as a comparison group. Ideally, conclust will produce dictionaries that are of are rated to be of comparable quality to WordNet by the human evaluators. Should human coders be indifferent or even prefer the conclust dictionaries to those of WordNet, then one could argue that they pass the Turing test as it applies to text as data analysis (Turing 2012; Spirling and Rodriguez 2021).⁶

ID	biology	economy	executive	government	sport
1	biology	economy	director	government	sport
2	science	market	business	regime	rock
3	botany	enterprise	chairman	state	contact
4	ecology	$\operatorname{capitalism}$	board	bureaucracy	field
5	space	$\operatorname{capitalist}$	chief	court	exercise
6	forestry	venture	officer	empire	track
7	microbiology	$\operatorname{socialism}$	ceo	commission	water
8	biotechnology	socialist	operating	plan	row
9	biotech	communism	cfo	town	archery

Table 1: Full Set of WordNet Keywords

⁴I will analyze the impact of changes to the similarity threshold in a future draft of this paper.

⁵Two undergraduate students at University of California, San Diego were responsible for producing the human-coded terms used to evaluate the conclust and HowNet keywords.

⁶I also evaluate the performance of human coders against a random subset of 100 words that were labeled by the author. Thus far, the human coder has performed reasonably well against this benchmark, achieving an F1-score of 0.75 relative to the gold standard.

10	engineering	nazism	insider	meeting	horseback
11 12 13 14 15	recombinant dna technology morphology anatomy	mercantile	president minister government cabinet chancellor	palace puppet welfare	cycling blood game judo spectator
16 17 18 19 20	topology neuroscience brain physiology zoology		secretary home state lord treasury		team boxing wrestling golf football
21 22 23	shell		finance surgeon vice-president		baseball basketball tennis

Note:

All available WordNet tokens for each concept were included with the exception of entries that included more than one token.

Each human coder was provided with a set of five concepts and a list of terms 2800 tokens. The tokens included a mixture of terms that had been identified by conclust, WordNet terms, and tokens randomly selected from the same word embedding model used to by conclust.⁷ The human coders were instructed to assign these tokens into one or more of these five categories, or a neutral category if none of the concepts provided were a close match. Additionally, the human coders were provided definitions of the respective concepts and instructed to be conservative in their allocation of words to concepts; i.e. they were told that type 2 classification errors were preferable to type 1. The rationale for this instruction is to minimize noise caused by the misclassification of irrelevant terms. Additional details about the instructions provided to human coders are provided in the Appendix.

One goal of this exercise was to examine how the quality of keywords sets generated by **conclust** varies over various model parameter configurations and whether its performance is consistent across multiple target concepts. Accordingly, I created a set of five seed words

⁷The inclusion of randomly selected terms was done to determine what types of conceptually-relevant tokens were missed by both WordNet and conclust. It also provides a means by which recall may be computed for cross-keyword set comparisons.

(see Table 2) for each of the five target concepts: *biology*, *economy*, *executive*, *government*, and *sport*.⁸ The **conclust** algorithm generated a separate keyword set for each combination of seed words for each concept for a total of 155 separate sets of 50 keywords.

biology	economy	executive	government	sport
biology	economy	president	government	sport
dna	gdp	ceo	policy	baseball
$\operatorname{organism}$	capital	manager	law	football
evolution	job	chairman	legislator	ball
phenotype	investment	minister	president	tennis

Table 2: Seed Words Used to Generate Conceptual Dictionaries

The word embedding model used by conclust to generate dictionaries was the pretrained *FastText* model that was fitted on the English version of Wikipedia and data from the Common Crawl Project (Grave et al. 2018). This model was selected largely because it is comptuationally straight forward, includes variations optimized for for 157 languages, and is designed to generate high quality embeddings even for rarely occurring words (Bojanowski et al. 2017).

Pre-trained models are typically fit with minimal to no pre-processing and this was also the case for the fastText models. As a consequence, the model included vectors for multiple tenses and forms of root words, as well as punctuation, and stop words. As the goal of any keyword generator should be to generate keyword sets with minimal redundancy and waste, I droped word vectors from the model that were associated with punctuation and stop words, and averaged vectors for tokens that included different types of capitalization or shared a root lemma. Additionally, in light of the fact that WordNet uses nouns exclusively in each of its concept dictionaries, I also limit the **conclust** comparison keyword sets to only include nouns.

They key evaluation metrics I use to evaluate keyword quality are precision, recall,

⁸These concepts were selected to represent several distinct domains of knowledge and they each have corresponding dictionaries of at least 10 words from WordNet (see Table 1). These seed words were selected to represent the author's understanding of these concepts.

and the F1-score. In this context, they each have interesting interpretations worth discussing. Precision is the ratio of true positives to the sum of true positives and false positives (TP/(TP + FP)). In the context of evaluating keywords, it tells us the proportion of words that were identified by a given methodology were identified correctly. Conversely, recall is the proportion of true positives to true positives and false negatives (TP/(TP + FN)); here, this indicates what proportion of the broader set of relevant words were missed using a given keyword-generation method. Finally, the F1-score gives us the harmonic mean of precision and recall, such that it increases as the keywords both efficiently and accurately identify conceptually-relevant words (see Equation 1).

$$\frac{2 \times \text{Precision} \times \text{Recall}}{\text{Precision} + \text{Recall}} \tag{1}$$

Results

In this section, I evaluate the quality of keyword sets generated by conclust relative to the evaluations made by human coders over the variation of several parameters: seed count, dictionary length, and word co-similarity. I then benchmark these dictionaries against the performance of relevant dictionaries from WordNet.

Below is Figure 1, which shows how the average F1-score, Precision, and Recall of keywords varies over the number of seed words used to produce them. Each point represents the average performance of keyword sets across all combinations relative to human keyword evaluations. For instance, the F1-score for the concept *biology* with two seed words represents the average F-1 score across all keyword sets generated by each possible pairing of the seeds presented in Table 2 column 1: [biology, dna], [biology, organism], [dna, organism], and so on. For reference, I also include the top 30 terms for each concept in Table 3 (all 50 terms are included in the Appendix). These particular keyword sets were produced by using all five seed words for each respective concept.



Figure 1: Conclust Performance over Seed Word Count

Across the three of the five concepts evaluated, there appear to be three general patterns. First, it is clear that for *sport* keyword sets, there is negligible improvement in model performance as the number of seeds increases beyond the first. Coincidentally, it also has the highest overall F1-score across the various concepts. Second, we see that the *biology*, *executive*, and *economy* show a gradual increase across all three measures of performance as the number of seeds increase. Finally, the *government* concept appears to increase in performance for the first two seeds, followed by a decline when four or five seed words were used. Additionally, when examining Table 3 there may be reason to believe that the human coding is understating performance of **conclust**. Of the top 30 terms of each concept, few appear to be irrelevant.

Overall, these results are generally consistent with expectations: as the number of seed words increases, the overall quality of the keywords produced by **conclust** increases. However, the precision of keyword sets appears to plateau in three out of five cases with three seed words. This indicates that users of **conclust** may find little improvement in the overall

ID	biology	economy	executive	government	sport
$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{array} $	recombinant	equity	commissioner	statute	soccer
	mrna	mortgage	legislator	legislation	goalkeeper
	protein	lender	elect	amendment	goalie
	gene	finance	chairperson	mandate	championship
	rna	security	governor	regulation	basketball
	cdna	investor	committee	enact	player
	peptide	liquidity	treasurer	constitution	coach
	enzyme	creditor	mayor	enactment	preseason
	mutation	debt	secretary	prohibition	playoff
	kinase	loan	council	decree	volleyball
$11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15$	allele	financing	deputy	statutory	tournament
	synthase	banking	vice-president	ordinance	scorer
	molecule	asset	comptroller	stipulate	hockey
	ligand	insolvency	delegate	provision	scrimmage
	methylation	bank	appoint	state	teammate
16	chromosome	borrower	senator	enforce	postseason
17	biosynthesis	banker	politician	prohibit	midfielder
18	genome	holding	congressman	authority	softball
19	biochemistry	company	incumbent	ratification	team
20	polymorphism	debtor	officer	jurisdiction	handball
21	dehydrogenase	refinance	government	govern	tourney
22	receptor	issuer	councillor	declaration	goaltender
23	polymerase	repayment	director	authorize	lacrosse
24	tyrosine	shareholder	legislature	ratify	rookie
25	metabolite	valuation	supervisor	agreement	quarterback
26	pcr	income	adviser	clause	squad
27	plasmid	corporation	leader	amend	roster
28	histone	insurer	councilman	legislature	fullback
29	sequence	fund	lawmaker	treaty	matchup
30	actin	citigroup	re-election	obligation	midfield

Table 3: Top 30 Conclust Keywords Generated using All Five Seed Words

Note:

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Each dictionary was generated using all five seed words for each respective concept as represented in Table 2

quality of their dictionaries if they use more than three or four seed words.

The second parameter that we use to evaluate conclust is dictionary length. Generally, I expect that the longer a keyword set is, the smaller percentage of its words will be relevant

(lower precision), yet the higher percentage of the total relevant words in the corpus will be included (higher recall). To test whether this is the case, I assess the performance of conclust over variable lengths of keyword sets (see Figure 2 below).⁹



Figure 2: Conclust Performance over Dictionary Length

Consistent with expectations, we generally see increases in recall and decreases in precision as dictionary length increases. However, the trends are not symmetric: while recall consistently across all five concepts, precision is relatively constant for *government* and it follows a concave pattern for *biology*. When examining the F1-score, for three out of five concepts gains in recall are roughly counterbalanced by declines in precision when dictionaries are 30 to 40 elements in length. However, for *biology* and *sport*, F1-scores continue to increase even for keyword sets of up to 50 elements. This suggests that the optimal dictionary length is highly dependent on the target concept in question. For some highly complex concepts that include large numbers of relevant words, a researcher would benefit from set-

⁹To simplify the analysis of dictionary length, it was limited to the average performance scores of dictionaries produced using three seed words. The results for alternative seed words were largely consistent with this analysis.

ting very large worth thresholds. On the other hand, some concepts – such as *executive* and government – appear to be sparser, i.e. they have fewer relevant words, and thus they see have the highest F1-score at shorter dictionary lengths (10 or so elements).

In sum, when determining dictionary length, researchers should be mindful of the scope of the concept that they are targeting: is it a narrow topic or one that is multi-faceted? For narrow topics, researchers are likely better off setting lower thresholds of thirty or fewer words. On the other hand, when creating keywords for topics that are quite large in scope, researchers should feel comfortable setting the threshold considerably higher: at 50 words or more.

Validation with HowNet

Given our hand-coded data, how do the dictionaries produced by conclust perform relative to human-produced WordNet dictionaries? In Figure 3 each cell represents either the precision, recall, or F1-score each of the five concepts; the horizontal blue line represents how the human coders evaluated the WordNet dictionaries, while the black line represents their evaluations of conclust at various seed levels.¹⁰

The results presented in Figure 3 suggest that in most cases **conclust** performs at least as well as WordNet according to human coders. As we saw before, we generally see performance of **conclust** increase with the number of seed words. In particular, when using three seed words, each concept has as least as high an F1-score as WordNet. Moreover, **conclust's** *economy* and *sport* keyword sets appear to perform strictly better than WordNet's all seed counts.

When we decompose the F1-score, conclust dictionaries appear to perform particularly well according to the precision metric. Across all seed counts greater than three, conclust produces keyword sets that are in greater agreement with the human evaluations than those produced by HowNet. However, according to the recall metric, WordNet performs on par

¹⁰For each concept, the conclust dictionary was limited to size of each respective WordNet dictionary to ensure comparability.



Figure 3: Conclust Performance over Seed Length Compared to WordNet

with conclust for *biology* and *government* concepts when five and three seeds are used, respectively. This suggests that while conclust generally is more likely to produce dictionaries that human observers believe to match the target concept, researchers should experiment with their seed words to obtain dictionaries that capture the maximal relevant words from the corpus. Overall, it appears as though conclust produces dictionaries that perform at least as well as WordNet across most concepts, model configurations, and metrics, which suggests that it passes the Turing test.

Conclusion

In this paper, I have presented a novel algorithm based on word embeddings that can quickly and efficiently generate custom keywords for researchers. Given that it has a foundation in word embedding models, it has the advantage of generalizability, as it can be easily applied to any corpus of sufficient size to fit a word embedding model. Should the researcher be uninterested in a targeted dictionary, they could also use pre-trained embeddings models, as was done in this paper. The **conclust** algorithm is also highly labor efficient, as there is no requirement for researchers to label documents or to draw upon additional sources of data. This gives it the flexibility to generate keywords that are relevant to the specific needs of researchers. I also evaluated my models across multiple model configurations, finding that while more seed words generally improves model performance, the optimal size of a keyword set is highly dependent on the target concept and how well represented it is in the data. Finally, when compared to dictionaries generated by human coders, it performs at least as well, if not better according to blind human evaluations.

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Appendix

Supplemental Tables

ID	biology	economy	executive	government	sport
$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{array} $	recombinant	equity	commissioner	statute	soccer
	mrna	mortgage	legislator	legislation	goalkeeper
	protein	lender	elect	amendment	goalie
	gene	finance	chairperson	mandate	championship
	rna	security	governor	regulation	basketball
	cdna	investor	committee	enact	player
	peptide	liquidity	treasurer	constitution	coach
	enzyme	creditor	mayor	enactment	preseason
	mutation	debt	secretary	prohibition	playoff
	kinase	loan	council	decree	volleyball
11	allele	financing	deputy	statutory	tournament
12	synthase	banking	vice-president	ordinance	scorer
13	molecule	asset	comptroller	stipulate	hockey
14	ligand	insolvency	delegate	provision	scrimmage
15	methylation	bank	appoint	state	teammate
16	chromosome	borrower	senator	enforce	postseason
17	biosynthesis	banker	politician	prohibit	midfielder
18	genome	holding	congressman	authority	softball
19	biochemistry	company	incumbent	ratification	team
20	polymorphism	debtor	officer	jurisdiction	handball
21	dehydrogenase	refinance	government	govern	tourney
22	receptor	issuer	councillor	declaration	goaltender
23	polymerase	repayment	director	authorize	lacrosse
24	tyrosine	shareholder	legislature	ratify	rookie
25	metabolite	valuation	supervisor	agreement	quarterback
26	pcr	income	adviser	clause	squad
27	plasmid	corporation	leader	amend	roster
28	histone	insurer	councilman	legislature	fullback
29	sequence	fund	lawmaker	treaty	matchup
30	actin	citigroup	re-election	obligation	midfield
31	genotype	bankruptcy	trustee	sanction	striker
32	hemoglobin	brokerage	election	stipulation	champ
33	phosphorylation	broker	delegation	imposition	offseason

Table 4: Full Set of Conclust Keywords Generated using All Five Seed Words

$\frac{34}{35}$	lymphocyte mitochondrion	treasury insurance	candidate chief	issuance issue	footballer varsity
36	inhibitor	liquidation	leadership	exemption	premiership
37	subunit	market	auditor	permit	linebacker
38	apoptosis	business	congress	act	hitter
39	overexpression	firm	lobbyist	authorization	kickoff
40	transduction	liability	authority	constitute	shutout
41	chromosomal	subprime	administrator	revocation	scoreboard
42	recombination	annuity	administration	establishment	rugby
43	cytokine	dividend	presidency	enforcement	umpire
44	monomer	issuance	principal	assent	lineup
45	hybridization	bailout	spokesperson	congress	badminton

Note:

Each dictionary was generated using all five seed words for each respective concept as represented in Table 2 $\,$

Research Assistant Training Materials

Research assistants were provided the following instructions for assigning terms to concepts:

- There are 2800 terms total and 6 categories (including other) that they should be classified into.
- Use a "1" to indicate that you consider a term to fall within a given concept and "0" to indicate that it does not.
- Try to use a narrow definition of the overriding concept; i.e, don't include a term under that classification if there is another category that would fit it significantly better.
- However, if a single term can be reasonably considered to belong to more than one of concept, input a "1" for each respective concept.
- If you can imagine a concept which is a better fit for the term than the 5 provided, input a "1" under the "Other" column.
- If you encounter any cases that you have difficulty classifying, please make note of it and reach out for guidance.

Additionally, research assistants were provided with the following definitions of the core concepts obtained from Webster Dictionary:

Biology

• a branch of knowledge that deals with living organisms and vital processes

Economy

• the structure or conditions of economic life in a country, area, or period

Executive

• one that exercises administrative or managerial control

Government

• the complex of political institutions, laws, and customs through which the function of governing is carried out

Sport

• physical activity engaged in for pleasure