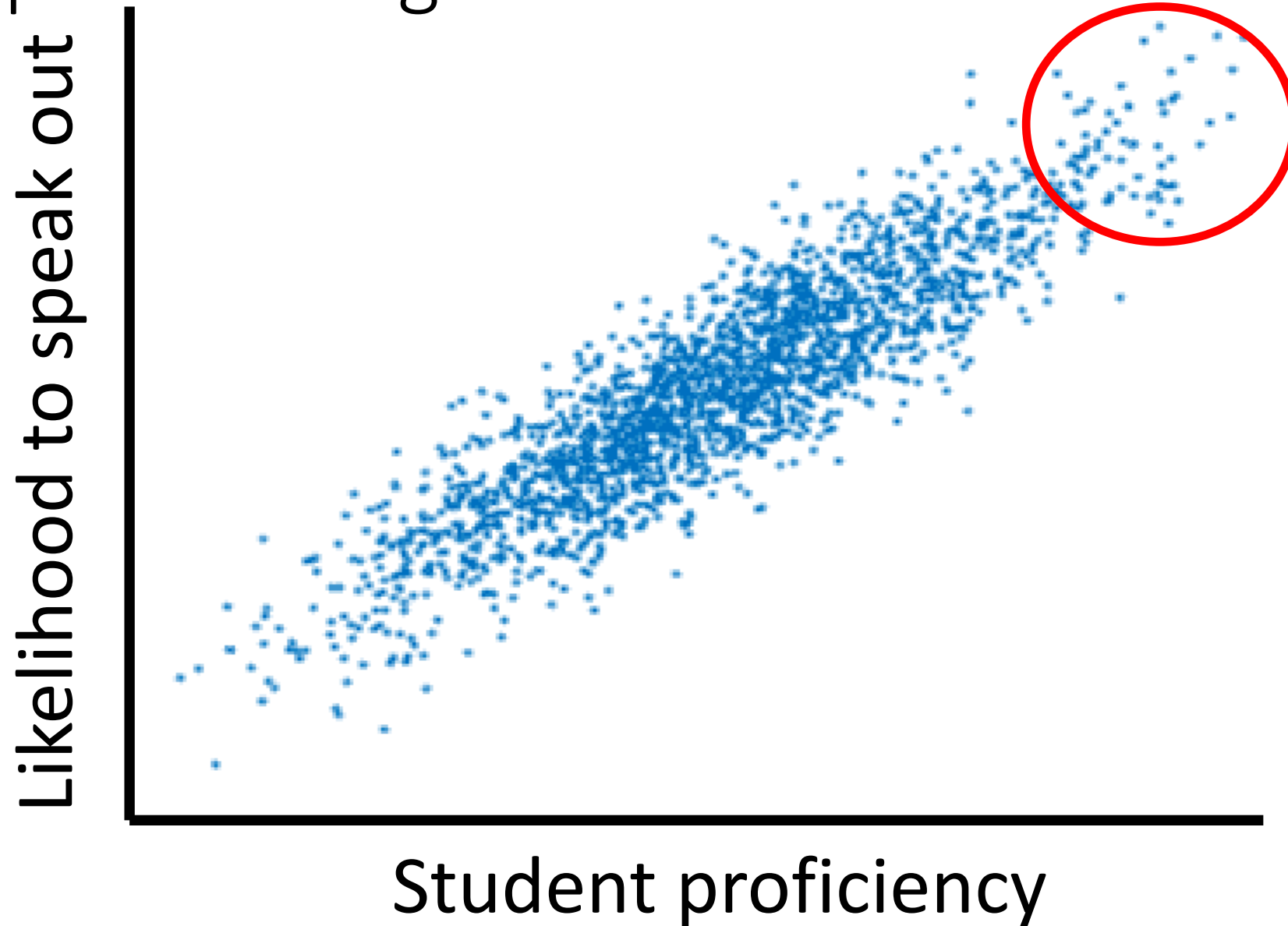


Remote calibration of class content and delivery, implementing rapid feedback loops with after-action assessments (**AAA**)

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The problem: To properly calibrate a class, it is important to get feedback from all students



Before we went  
remote, this was  
straightforward:  
Clickers can be used to  
get this feedback  
at scale





# The after-action assessment (AAA)

## **Assignment Instructions**

Please type the following in the box below:

- 1) State the main takeaway from this lecture in your own words. 1 paragraph. Keep it brief.
- 2) What would you like to know more about? (If nothing: What surprised you?) 1 paragraph. Keep it brief.

That's it.



# How to get the students to do this, per lecture?

Killing two birds with one stone – making it count for **participation** (giving them the flexibility to watch lecture recordings asynchronously, etc.)

§2.0 Course grading: The total grade is calculated as follows:

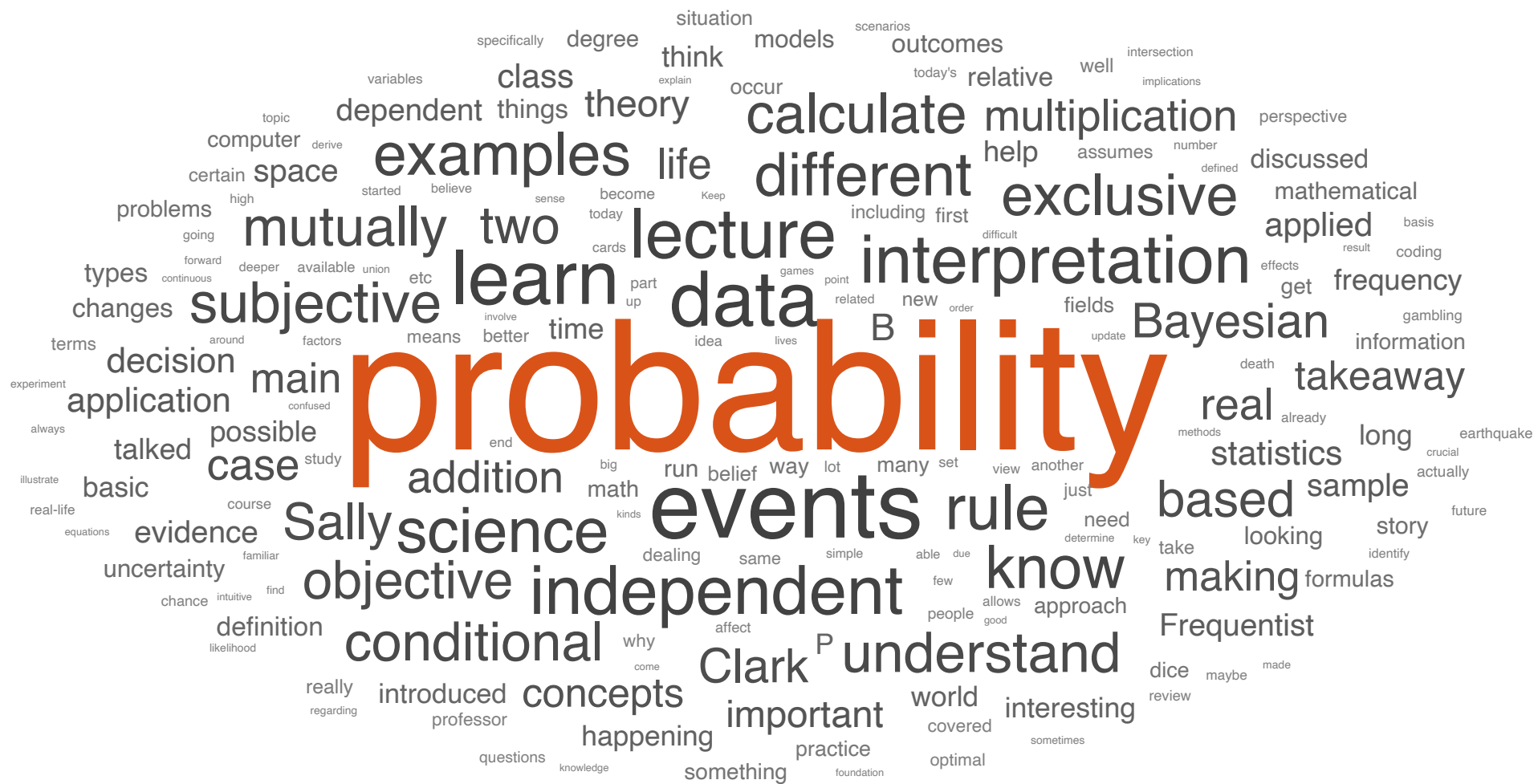
A) After action assessments (participation)	0.5% / lecture	10% total
B) 1 Big data analysis project	16%	16% total
C) 1 Course logistics quiz	1%	01% total
D) 7 Data analysis reports	2% / report	14% total
E) 1 Exam (cumulative)	15%	15% total
F) 7 Functions (Python)	2% / function	14% total

How closely are students following the course material?

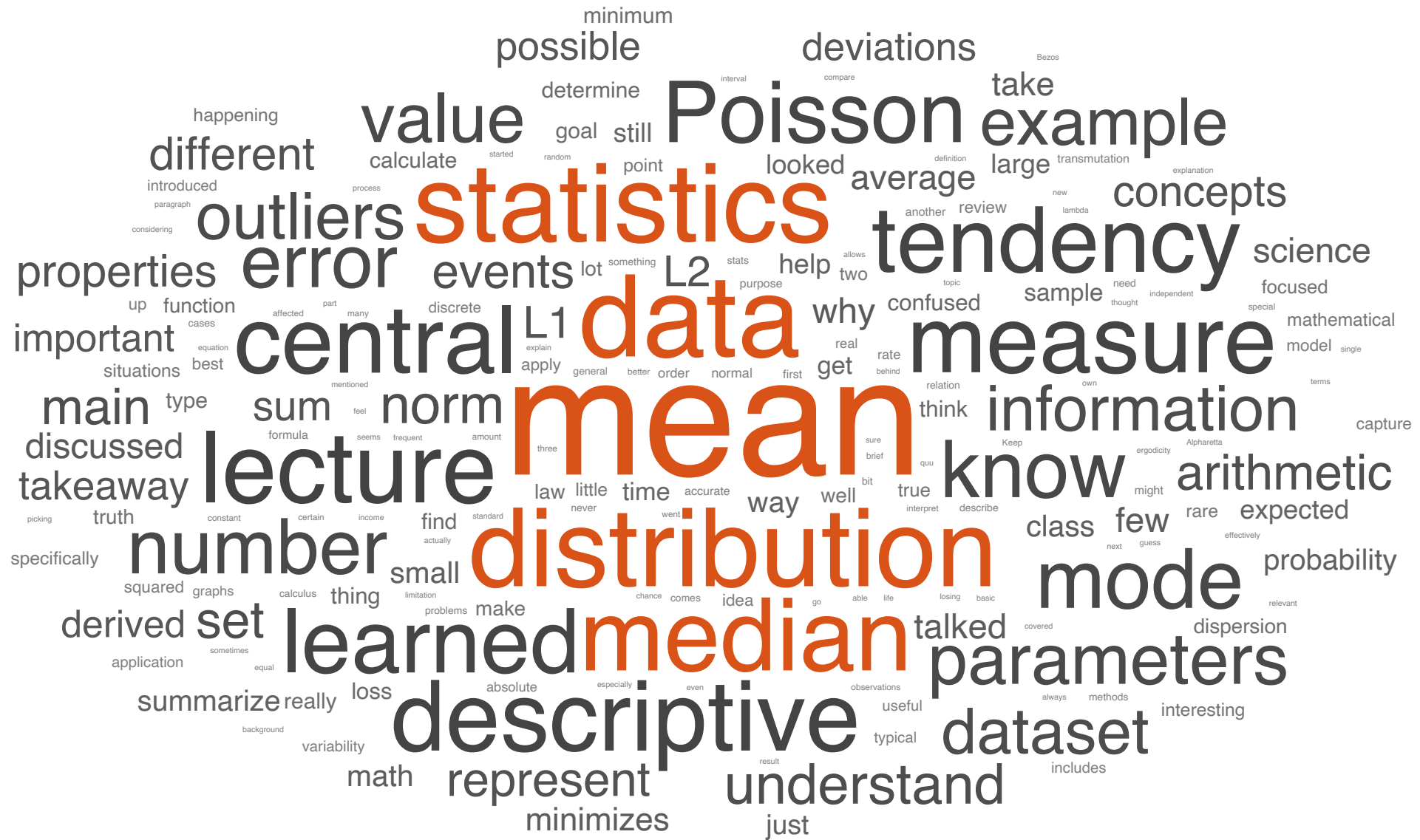
Lecture by lecture feedback from a Fall  
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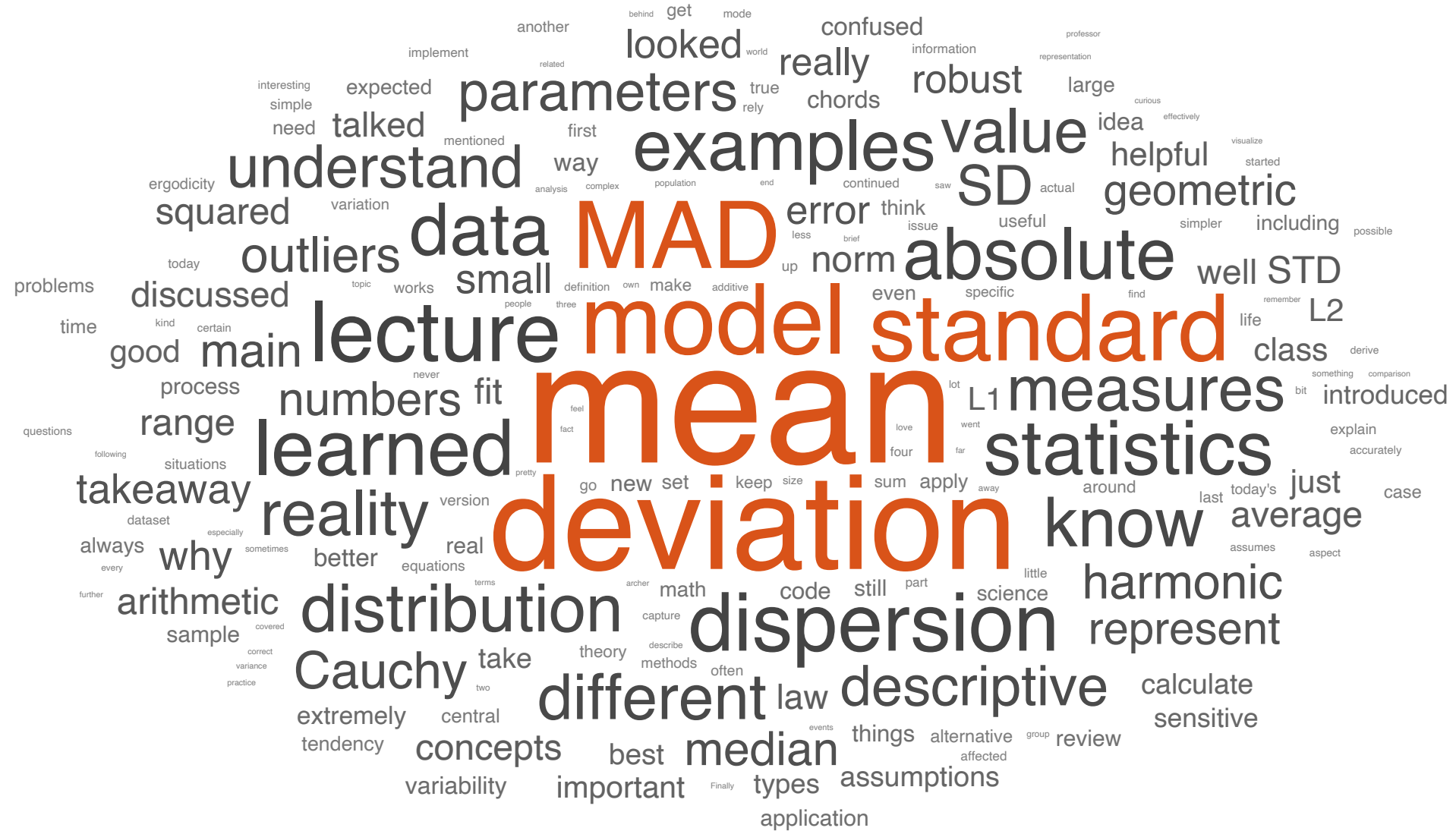


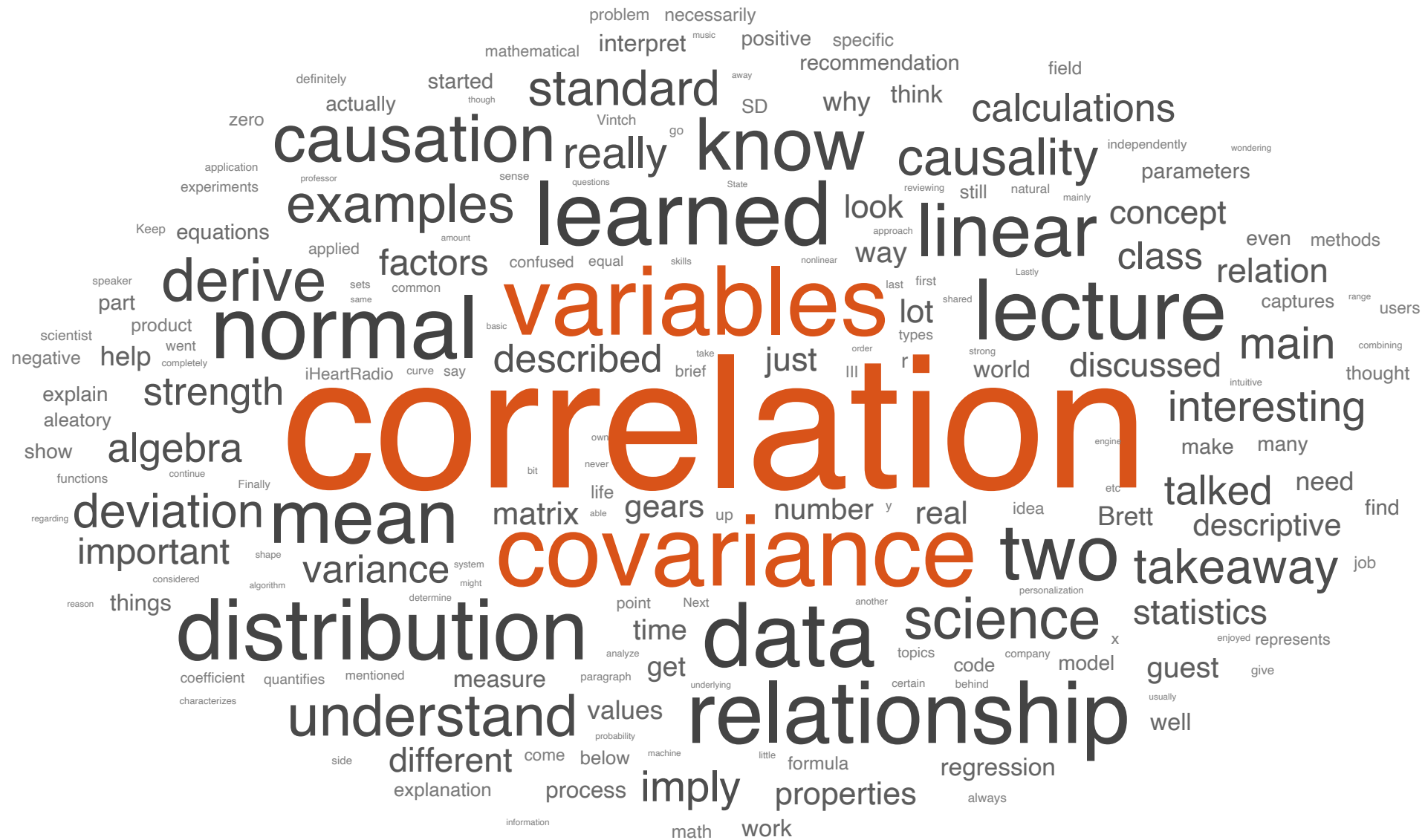










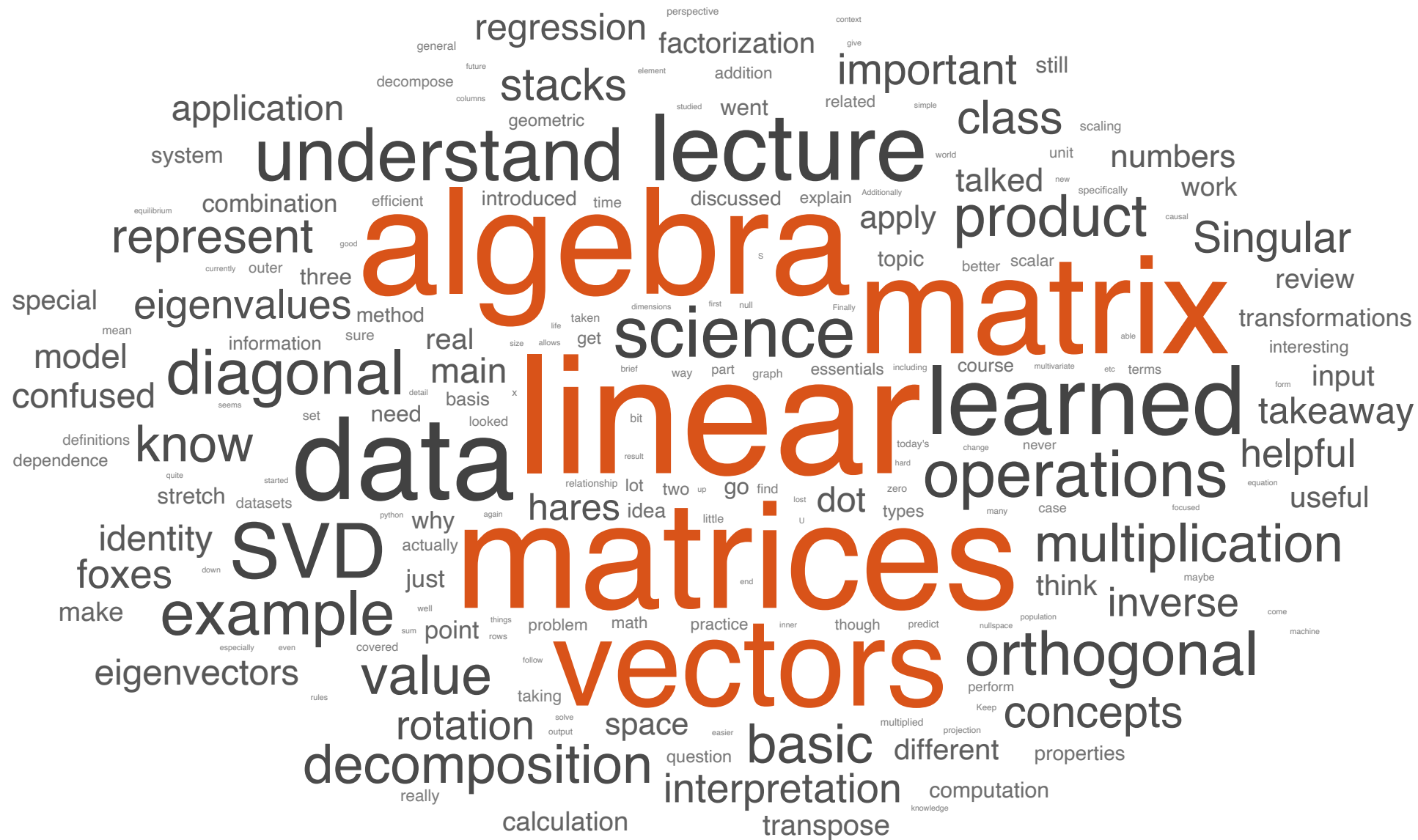




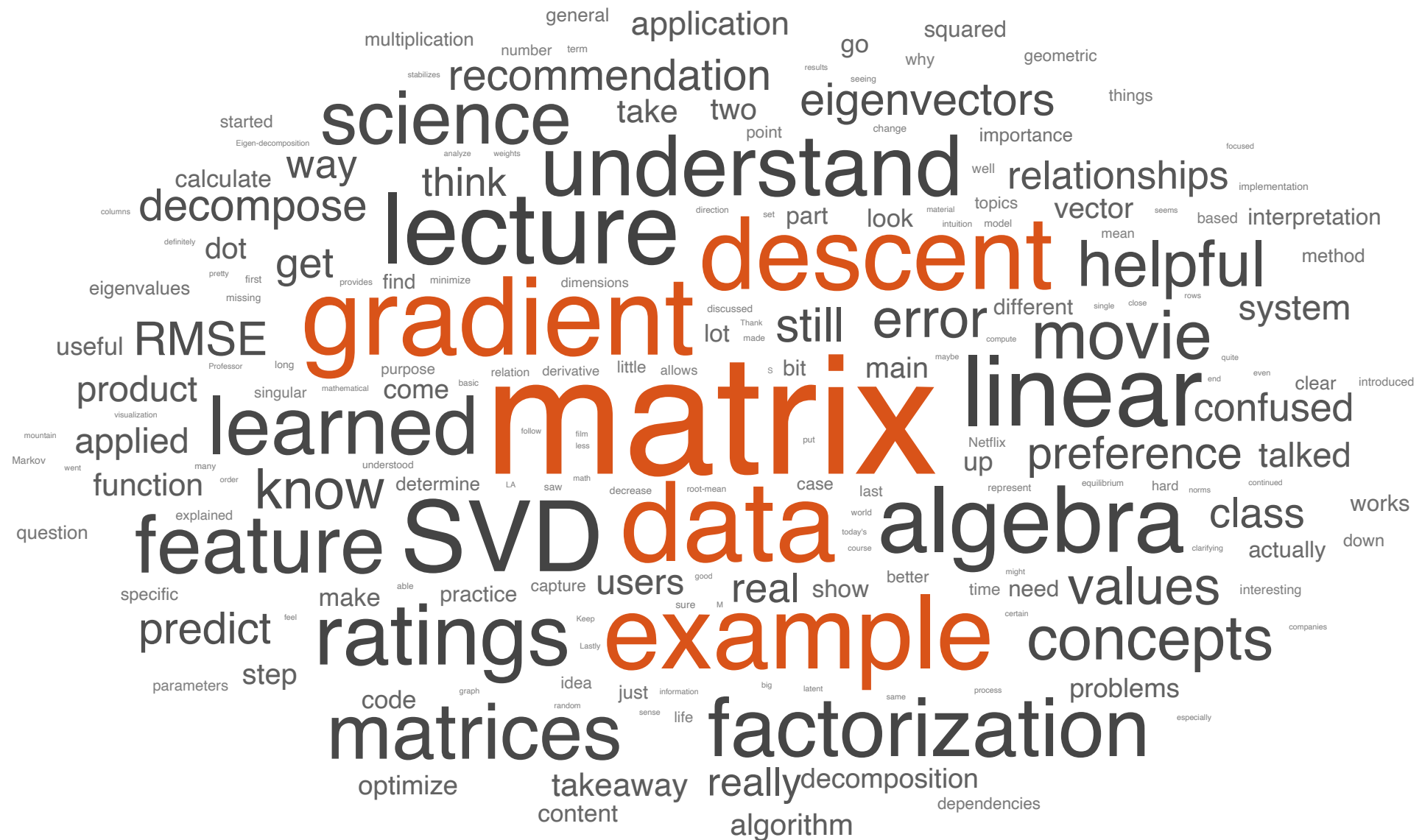




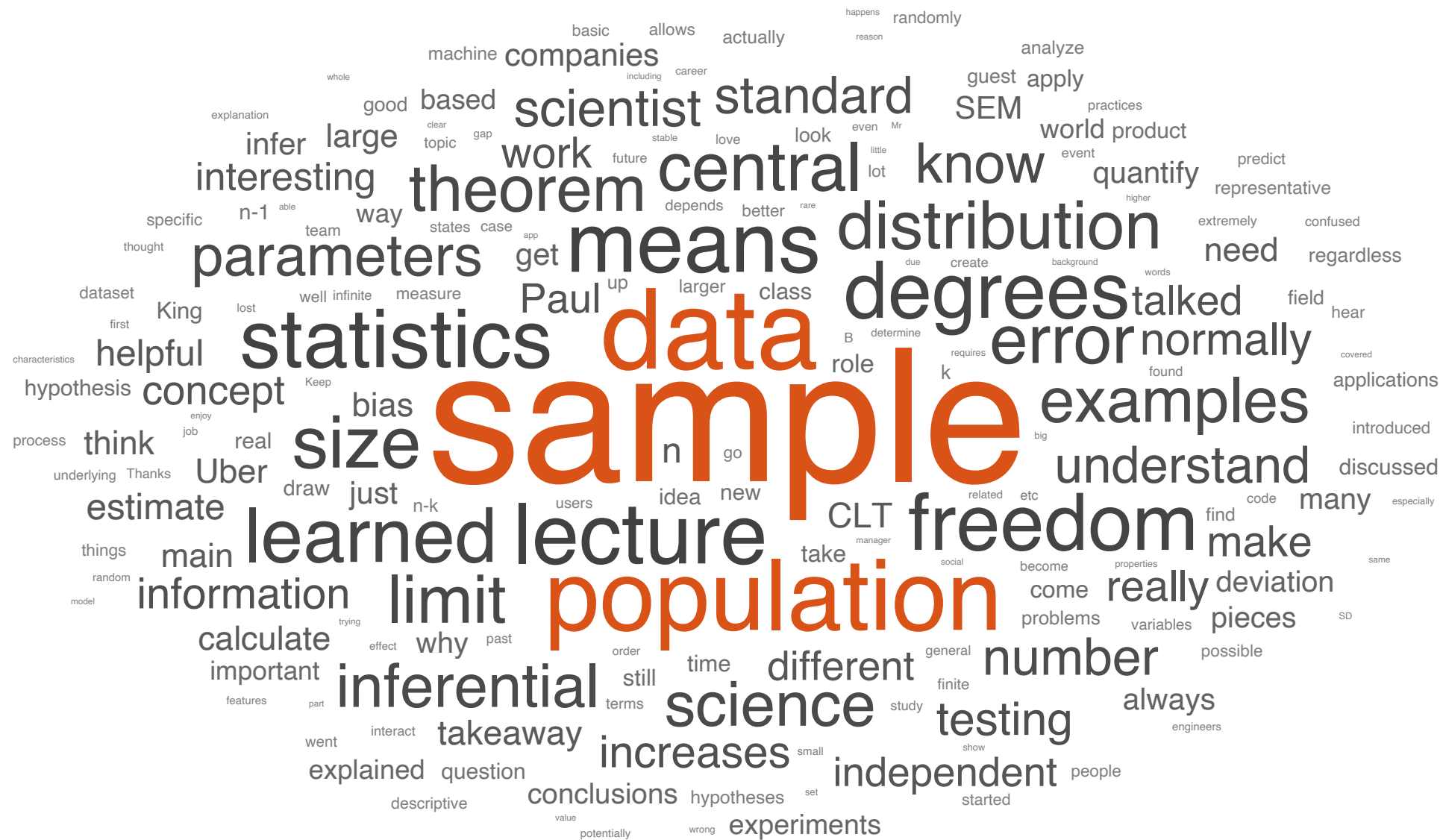


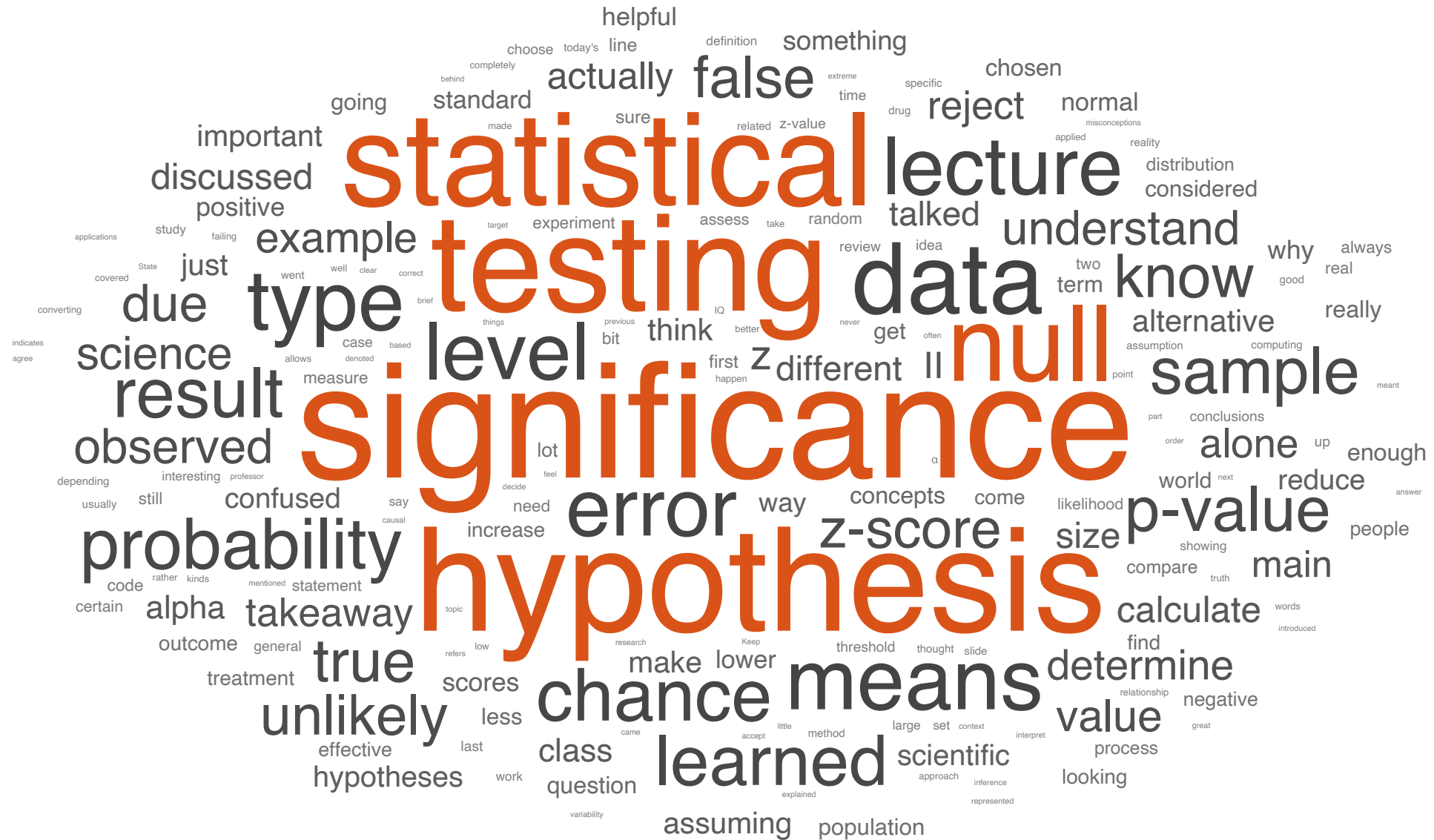


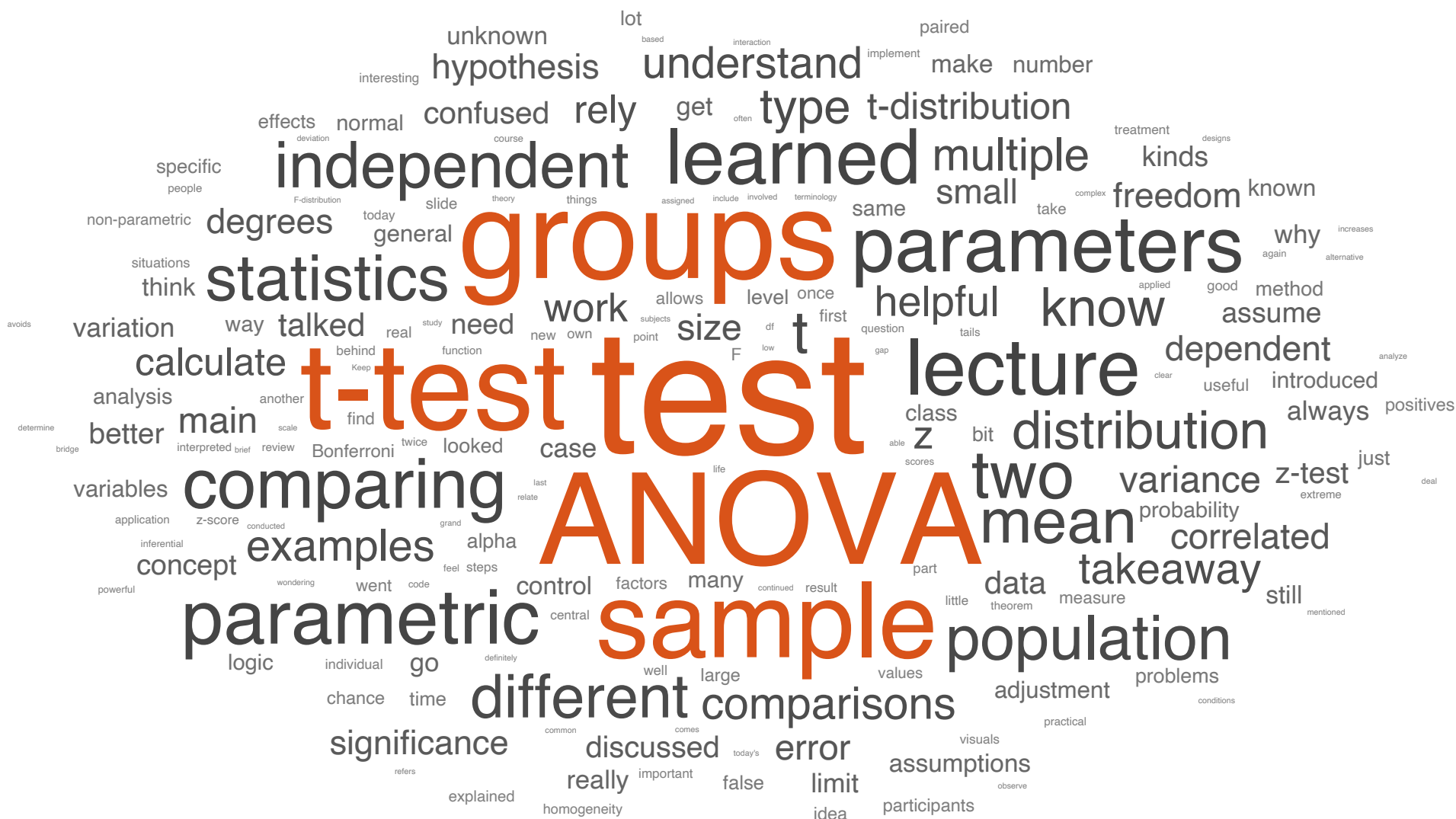




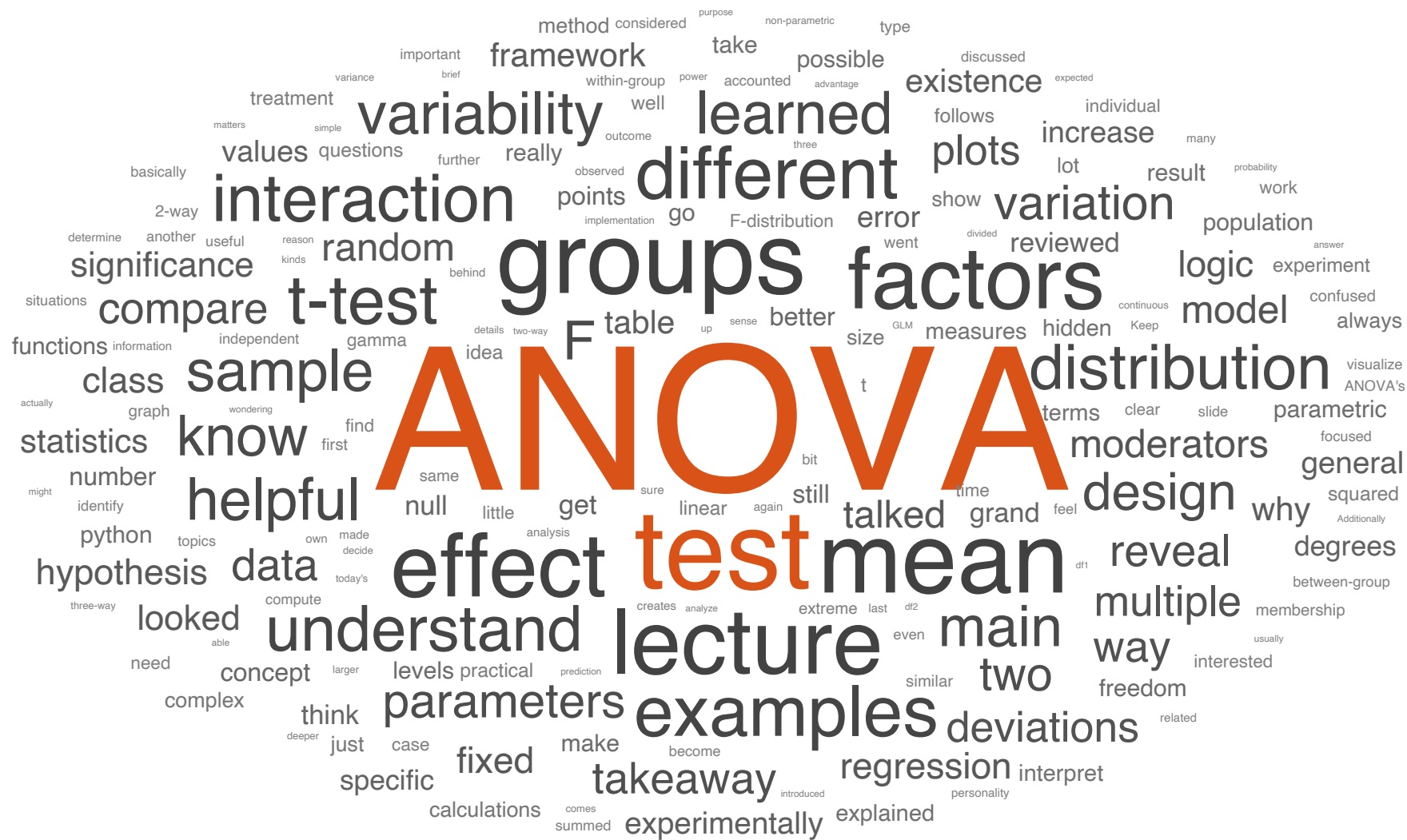


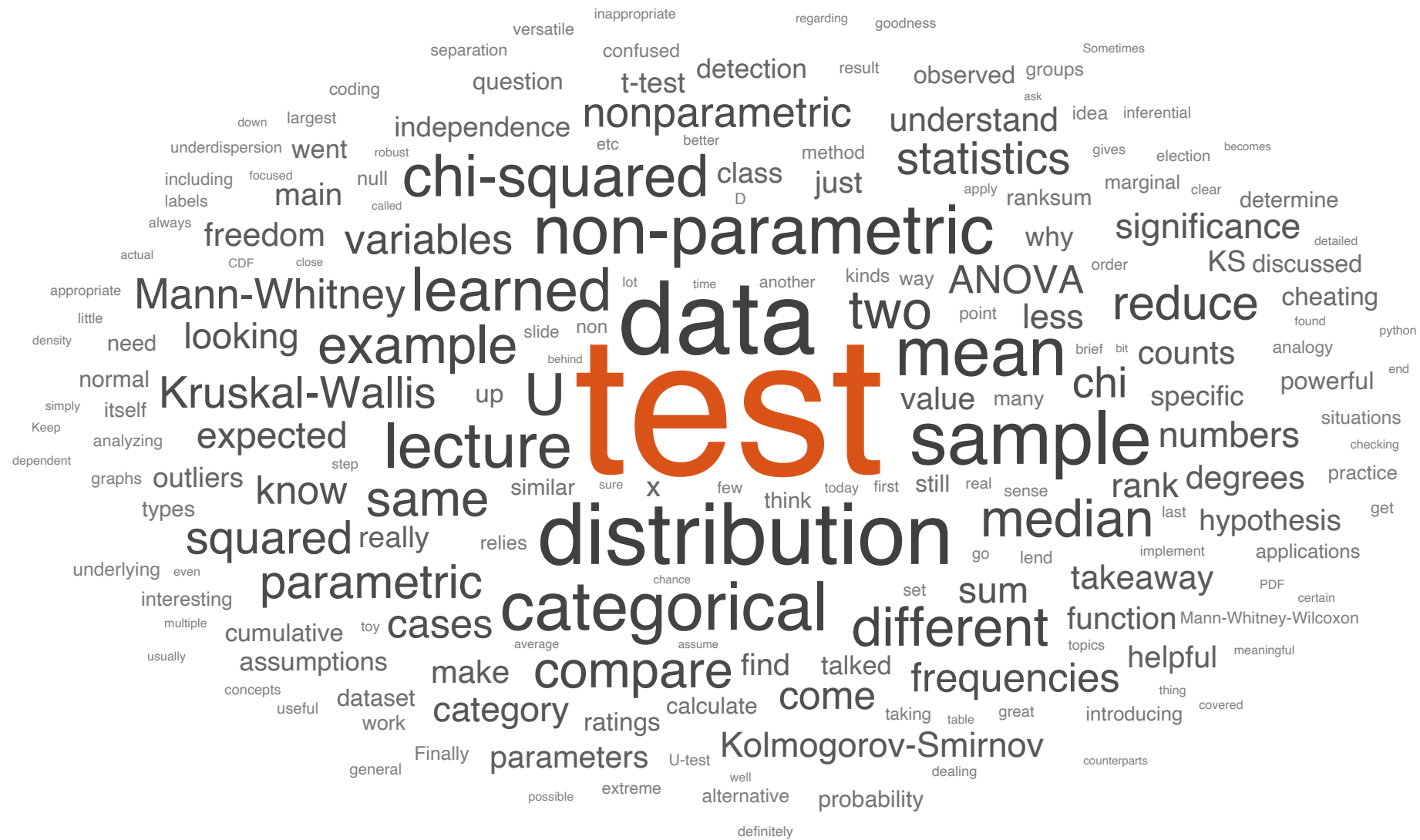


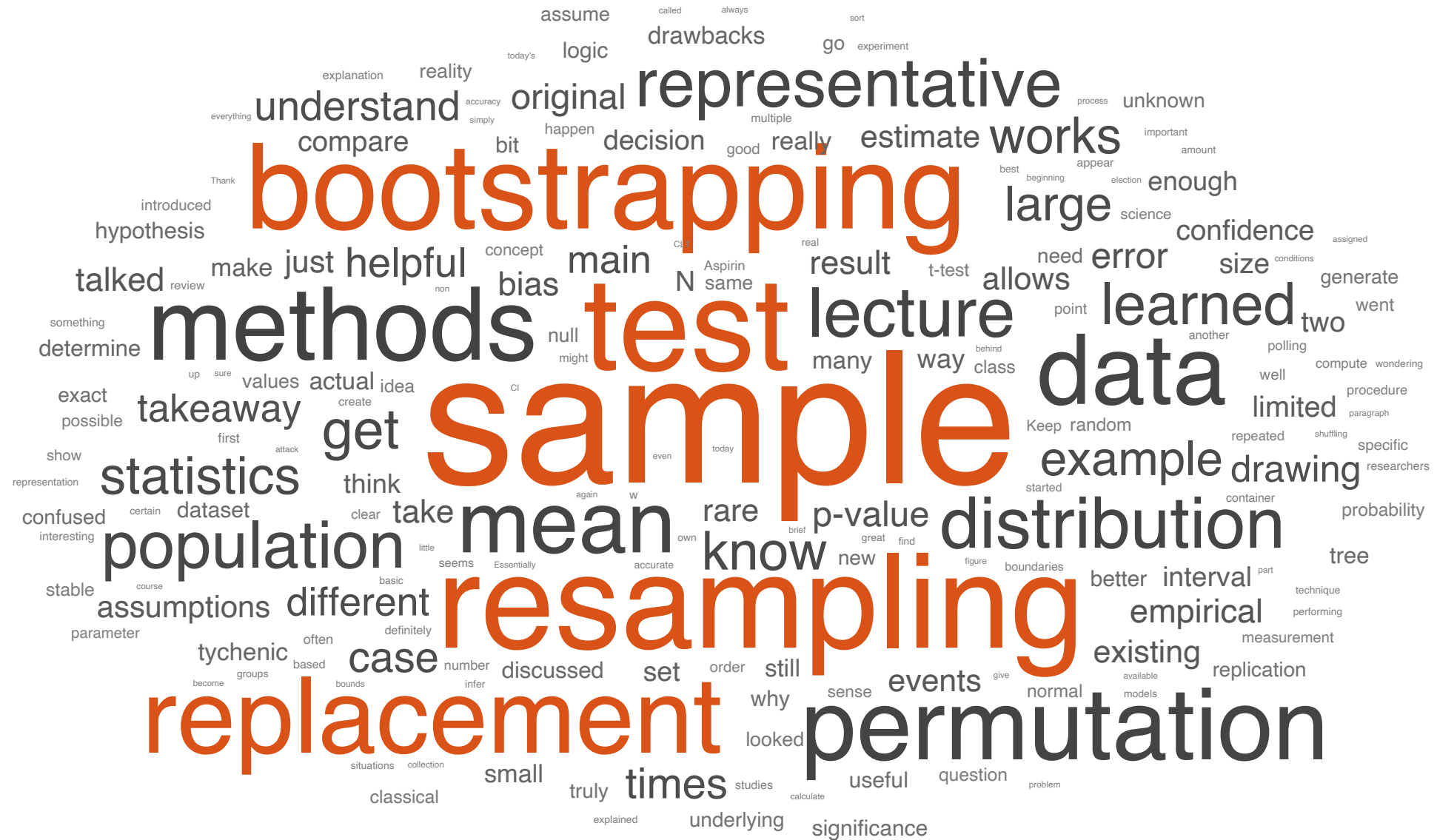








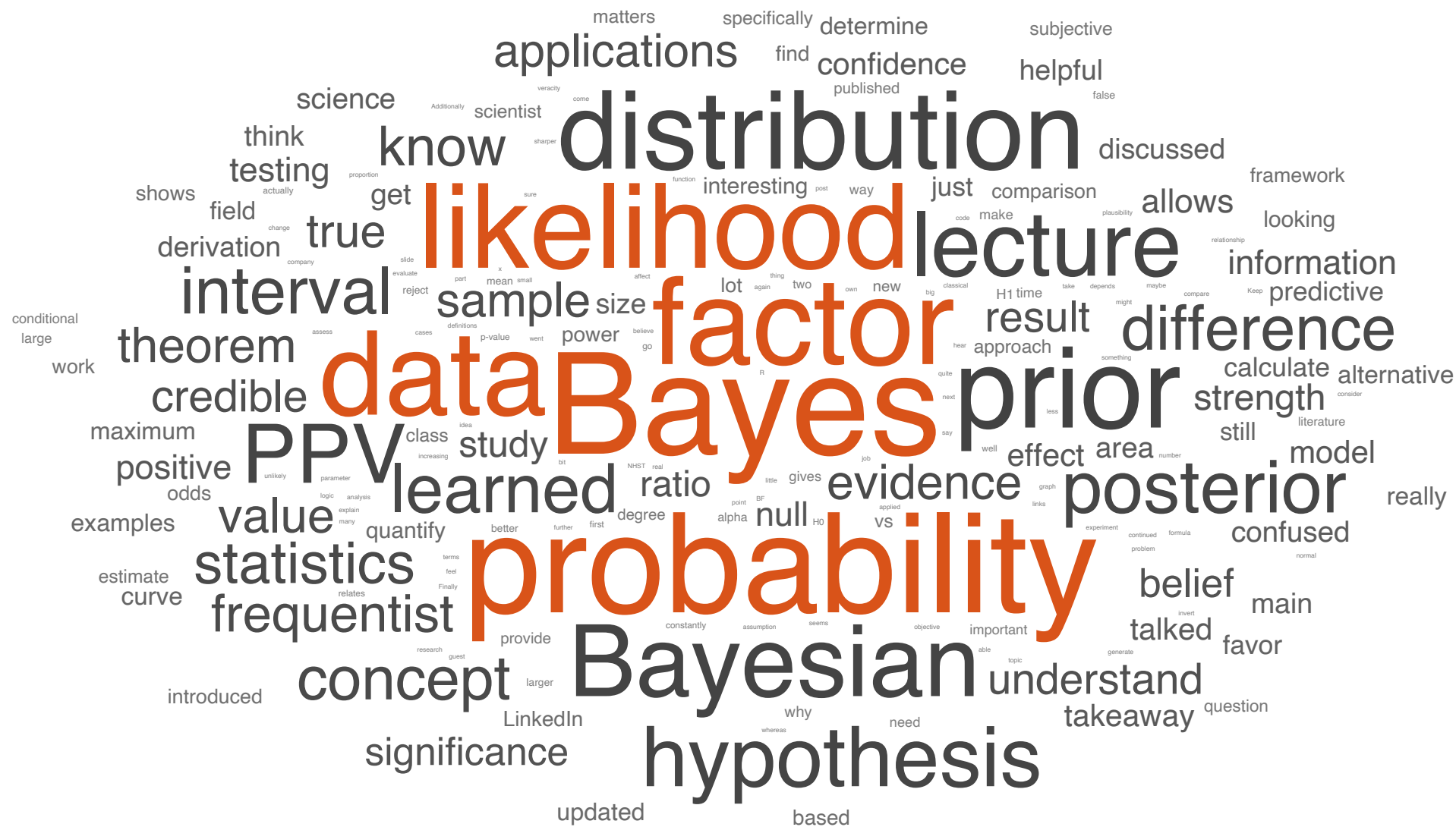


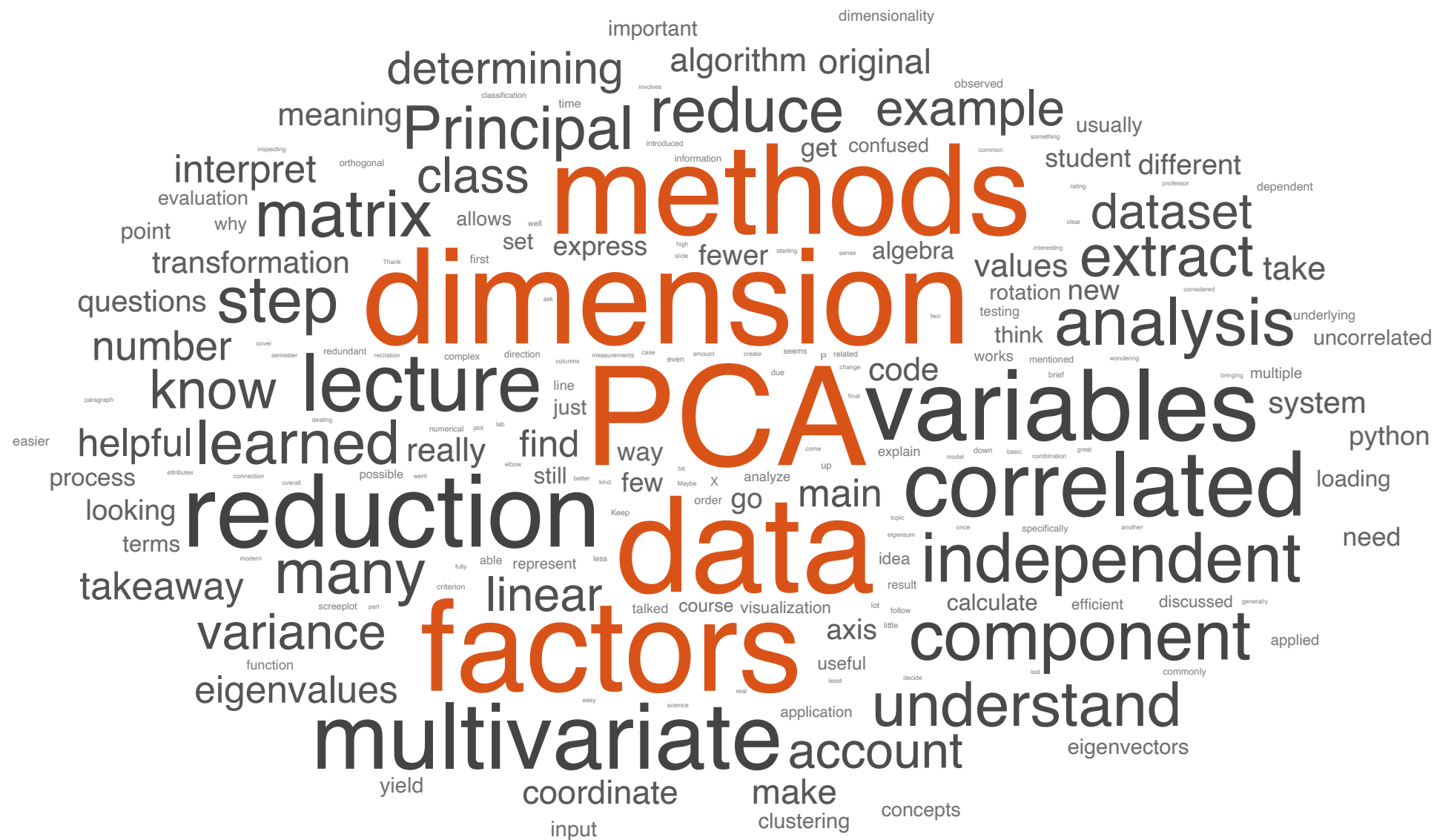














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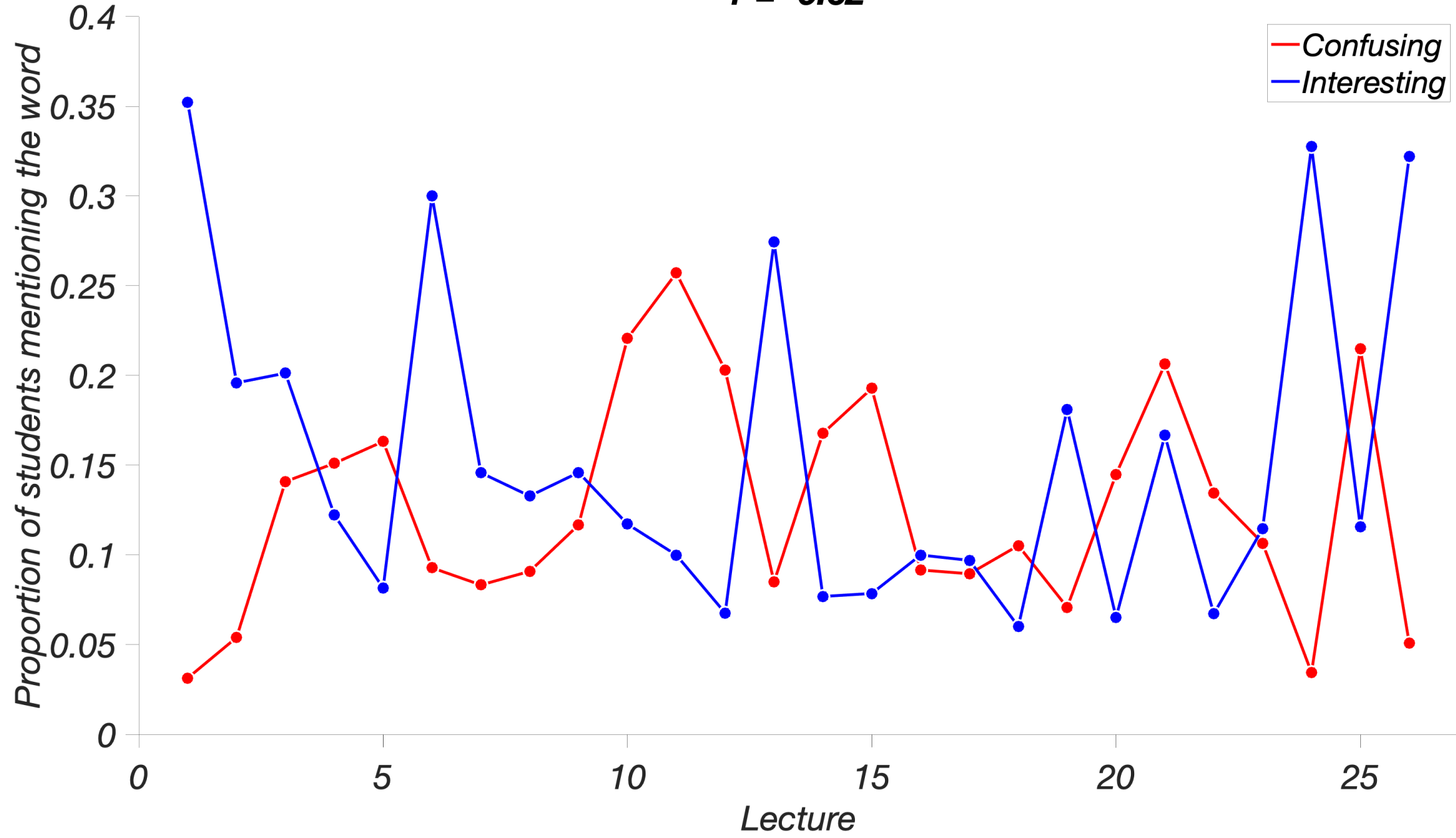
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# Insight: Confusion blocks interest

$r = -0.62$



# At least 4 birds!

- Participation
- Immediate and specific feedback
- Aggregated insights
- Retention of material (some digestion)
- ...?

# Downsides?



*Thank you*