

# Puccini by mail

## Sentiment polarity prediction

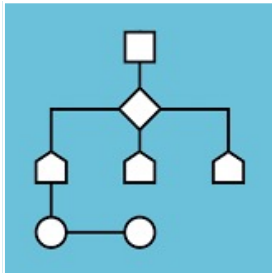
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# Project aim

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Build Algorithm for data retrieval  
from Ricordi Archive



Build prediction models and use pre-  
trained model to detect sentiment  
polarity in Puccini's letters



Comparison between models

# Datasets

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## Two datasets:

- The Ricordi Archive:
  - Extracted with a retrieval algorithm
  - 500 letters received and sent by Giacomo Puccini
- Sentipolc- evalita16:
  - Collection of Italian Tweets
  - Available in csv format in the website
  - 7000 examples for training, 4000 example for testing

# Ricordi Archive Extraction Algorithm

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Two main URLs:

- IDs URL: used for extraction of the letter IDs
- Letters visualization URL: used for the extraction of information for the selected letter's ID.

Extraction of the information using HTML fields:

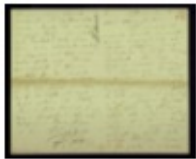
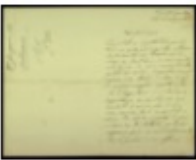
- **<div> The Content Division element** HTML
- Separating different information searching for specific Div IDs
- For the additional info newline separator have been considered

# ID Extraction

- 1) For the iteration of the different pages we pass an incremental number as parameter

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url='https://www.digitalarchivioricordi.com/it/people/display/2/Giacomo%20Puccini?show=100&page='
```

- 2) For each letter we extract the “segnatura” field which contains the letter’s ID

Letter	Descrizione	Segnatura	Data
	Franco Faccio > Giulio Ricordi Torino	LLET006891 >	21/5/1884
	Emanuele Muzio > Ricordi Parigi, Francia	LLET011812 >	27/6/1884

# ID Extraction Problems

- 1) Setting page number high (for example) 200 a empty table is returned

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Risultati: 1986 Ricerca per data:    >     Mostra

Letter	Descrizione	Segnatura	Data
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« Precedente 1 2 3 4 5 Successivo »

**SOLUTION:** if the returned table is empty all the possible IDs have been examined and the first phase of the algorithm stops

# Information Extraction

- 1) Retrieved IDs in the first phase are appended in the second URL

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generic_letter_url = 'https://www.digitalarchivioricordi.com/it/letter/display/'
```

- 2) Appending the letter's ID at the end of the we obtain the letter information

Eugenio Tornaghi  
> Giacomo Puccini

Data: 19/10/1889  
Luogo: Milano

ID:  
CLET000067

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Trascrizione

19 ottobre '89  
Carlo "Sig."  
Maestro G. Puccini

**Pizzanaglia**  
Assente il Sig. Blanc ha la l'onore di risponderle per facile sapere che c'è tempo  
prima che incominci la prova delle VIII al Dal Verme. Non abbiamo ancora  
scelto gli artisti...

Regoleremo coi vigg. Praga ed Oliva il conto per tre atti **Manon**.  
Mi è grata l'occasione per ripetermi con stima ed amicizia  
devoto  
p. G. Ricordi e C.  
Eug. Tornaghi

il vs Sig. Giulia arriverà stasera: disporremo subito pel conto dell'egregio Sig.  
M<sup>re</sup> Carignani.

Trascrizione di Archivio Ricordi

Personae citate  
Cesare Blanc  
Domenico Oliva  
Manca Praga  
Giulio Ricordi  
Carlo Carignani

Opere citate  
Le VIII  
Manon Lescaut

Teatri citati  
Teatro Dal Verme

Tipologia copialettere  
Sottotipologia lettera  
Scrittura manoscritta  
Lingua italiana

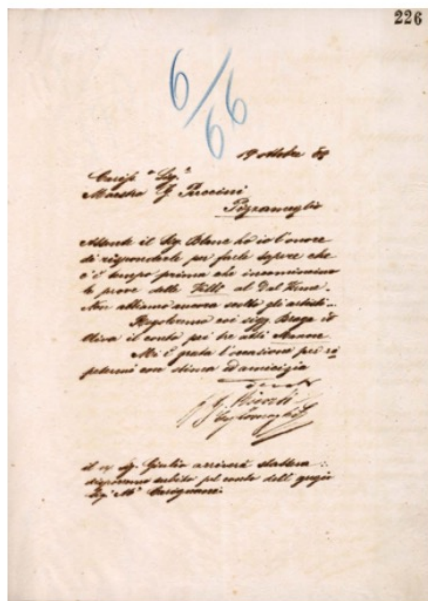
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Nr. Fogli 1  
Lettera titolo CLET000067  
Segnatura Volume DOC00642  
Anno 1889-1890  
Volume 07  
Pag 226  
Nr. pag 1

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# Information Extraction

Eugenio Tornaghi > Giacomo Puccini	Data: 19/10/1889 Luogo: Milano	ID: CLET000067
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1) Main Information



Trascrizione

19 ottobre 89

Caris.° Sig.°

Maestro G. Puccini

Pizzameglia

Assente il Sig. Blanc ho io l'onore di risponderle per facile sapere che c'è tempo prima che incomincino le prove delle Villi al Dal Verme. Non abbiamo ancora scelto gli artisti...

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Trascrizione di Archivio Ricordi

Persone citate

Cesare Blanc  
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2) Transcribed Text

3) Additional Information



# Information Extraction Problems

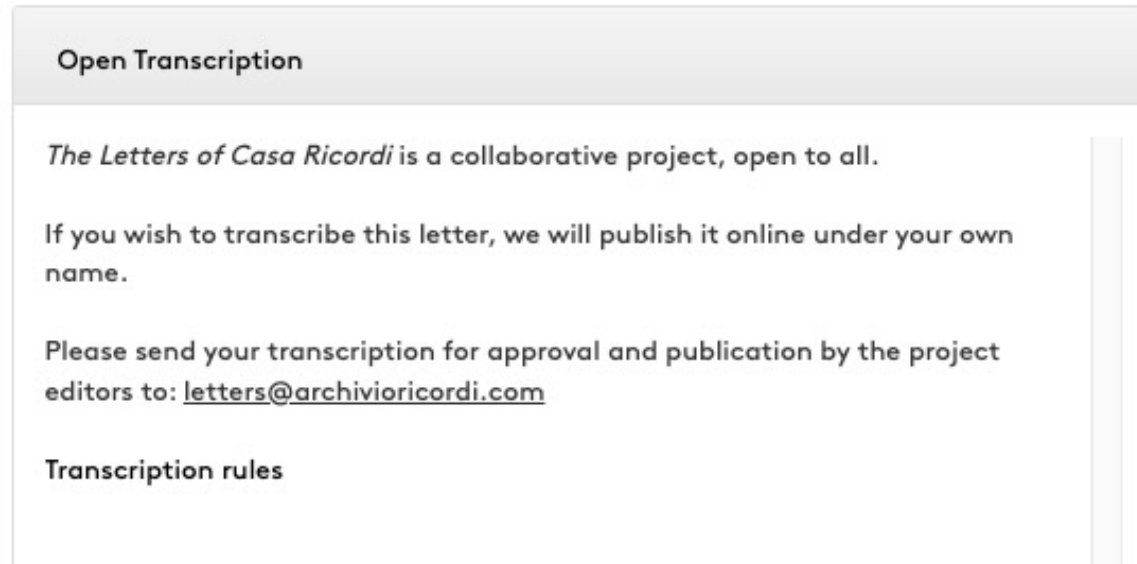
## 1) Discordance between letters in the additional information field:

Div id	Page 1	Page 2
letter-show-details-named-people	<div>Persone citate Giulio Ricordi Cesare Blanc</div>	<div>Persone citate Léon Escudier</div>
letter-show-details-named-works	<div>Opere citate Le Villi</div>	NULL
letter-show-details-named-teatri	<div>Teatri citati Teatro Dal Verme</div>	NULL
letter-show-details-tipologia letter-show-details-sottotipologia letter-show-details-scrittura letter-show-details-lingua	<div>Tipologia copialettere Sottotipologia lettera Scrittura manoscritto Lingua italiano</div>	<div>Tipologia copialettere Sottotipologia telegramma Scrittura manoscritto Lingua italiano</div>
letter-show-details-metadati-fisici	<div>Metadati Fisici Nr. Fogli 1</div>	<div>Metadati Fisici Nr. Fogli 1</div>
Outside a div	<div>Lettera titolo CLET000068 Segnatura Volume DOC00643 Anno 1889-1890 Volume 08 Pag 079 Nr. pag 1</div>	<div>Lettera titolo CLET000080 Segnatura Volume DOC00657 Anno 1889-1890 Volume 22 Pag 242 Nr. pag 1</div>

**SOLUTION:** set dataframe cell with null value if information is missing

# Information Extraction Problems

- 1) Letter's text in some cases is not already transcribed from the original



**SOLUTION:** Skip this letter in the algorithm

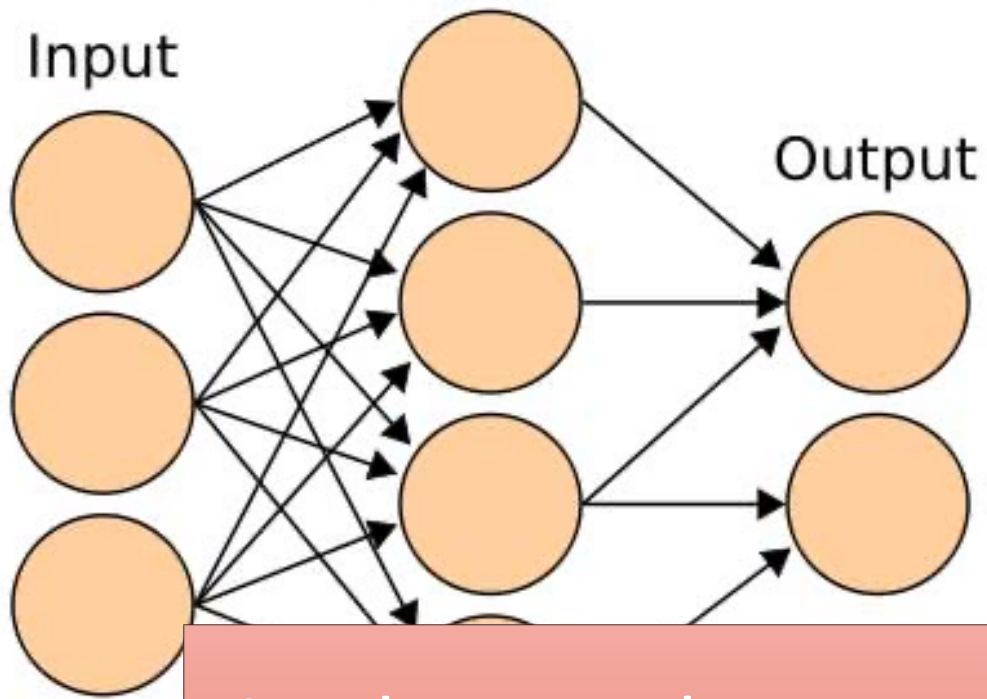
# Letters Word Cloud

Most **common words** are related to music, Puccini works, friends and collaborations:

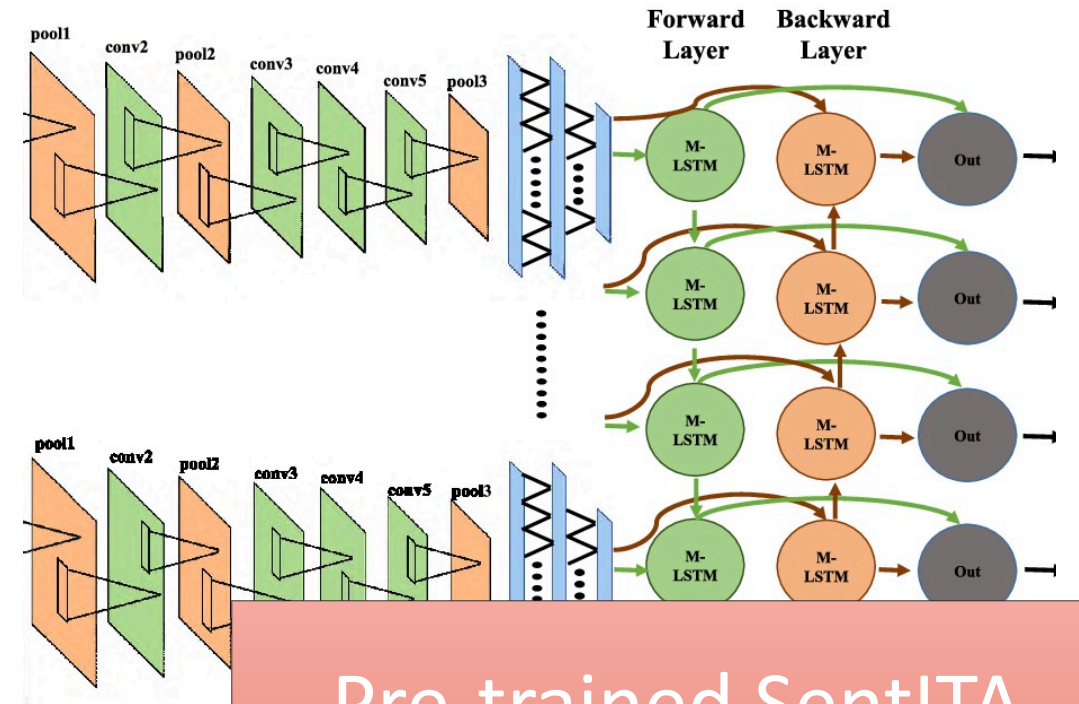
- **Works:**
  - Bohème, Manon Lescaut.
- **Friends and colleagues:**
  - Tito is the name of Tito II Ricordi.
  - Luigi Illica and Giuseppe Giacosa are famous librettists whom Puccini worked.
  - Puccini conservatory room mate Pietro Mascagni.
  - Leopoldo Mugnone
- **Italian cities:**
  - Milan, Rome, Turin and Lucca
  - Torre lago: a small community nearby Lucca where from 1891 onwards Puccini, Puccini spent most of his time
- **Opera terms:**
  - Music, score, verse, tempo, scene



# Models



Simple Neural Networks

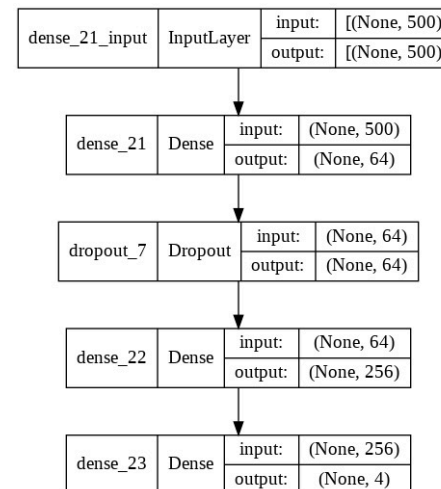


Pre-trained SentITA

# Neural Networks Architecture

- **Two types** of Neural Networks have been constructed based on the number of sentiments in the target variable:
  - **2-sentiments Neural Networks:** Positive and Negative
  - **4-sentiments Neural Networks:** Positive, Negative, Neutral, Both Positive and Negative

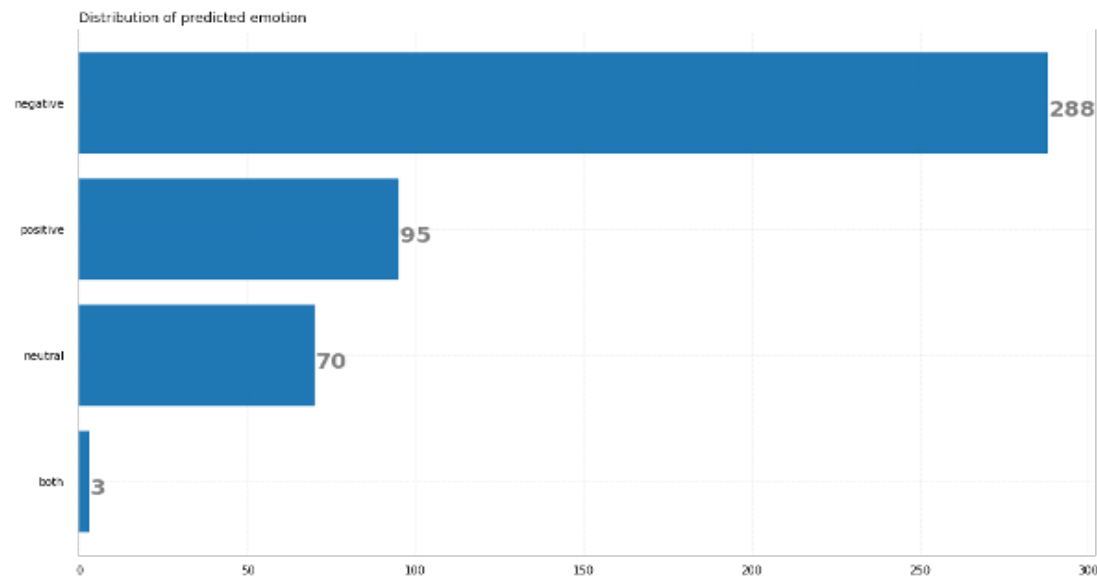
- Simple Neural Network architecture



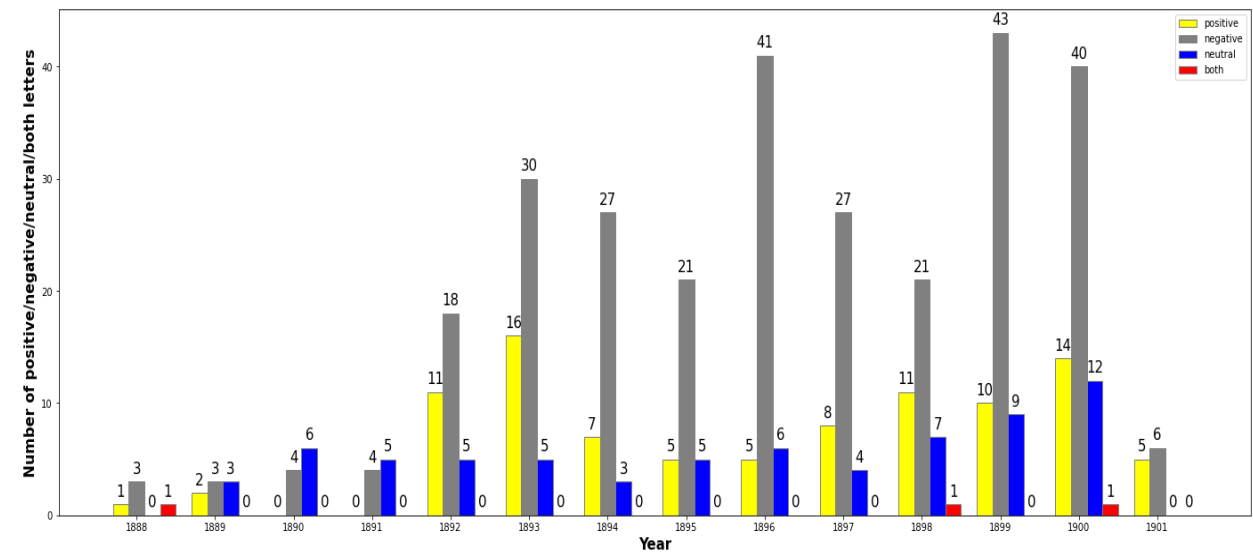
# Neural Networks 4-sentiment

- SentiPolc Test set result:
  - F1 score: 0.467 - Accuracy: 46.22 %
- Model result on Puccini's letters:

Predictions with 4-sentiments model



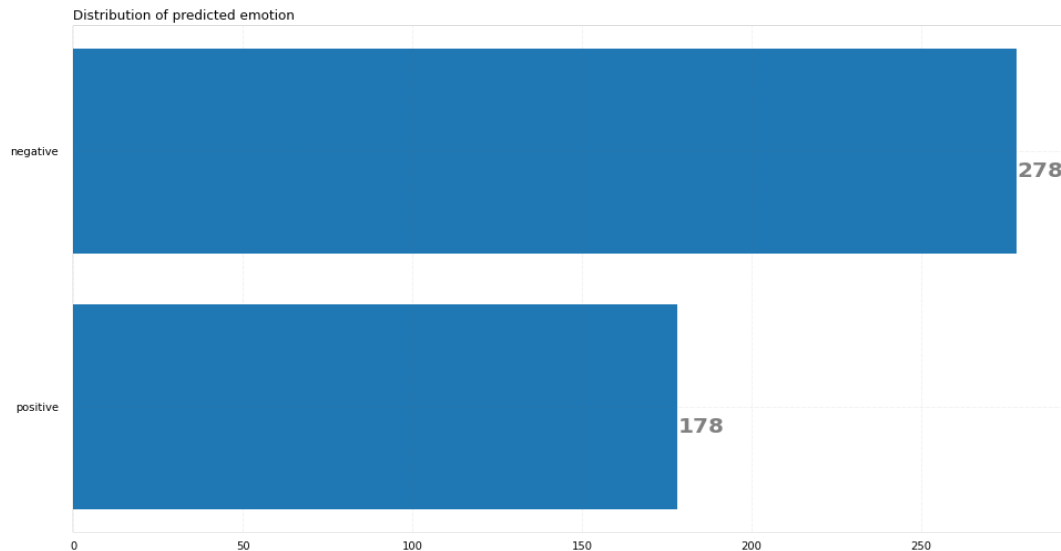
Predictions with 4-sentiments model over the years



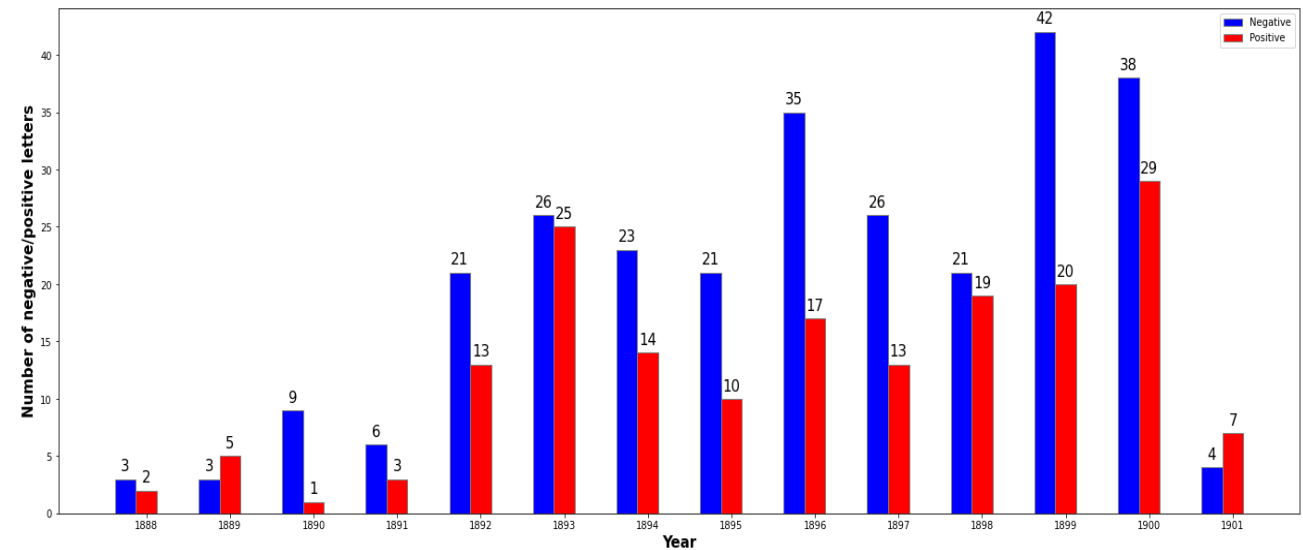
# Neural Networks 2-sentiment

- SentiPolc Test set result:
  - F1 score: 0.627 - Accuracy: 61.89 %
- Model result on Puccini's letters:

Predictions with 2-sentiments model

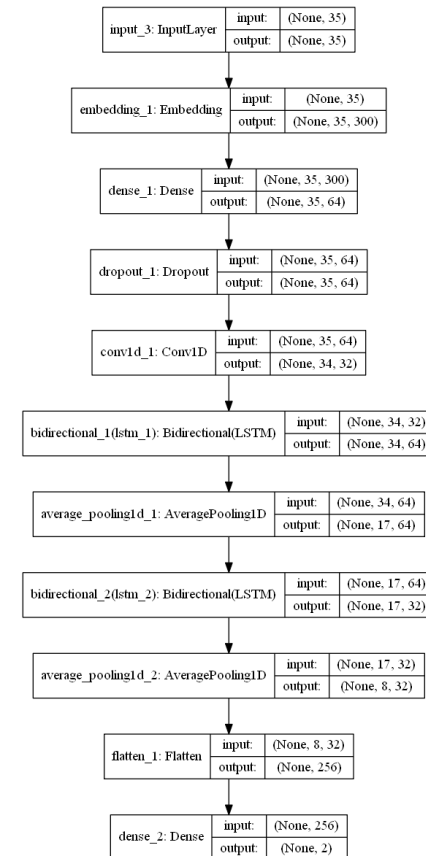


Predictions with 2-sentiments model over the years



# SentITA Architecture

- The model receives in input a word embedding representation of the single words
- Trained on few datasets (Sentipolc2016, AB- SITA2018 + Wikipedia).
- Train and test the model comprises about 102k sentences of which 7k positives, 7k negatives and 88k neutral.
- Bidirectional LSTM-CNN Neural Network architecture

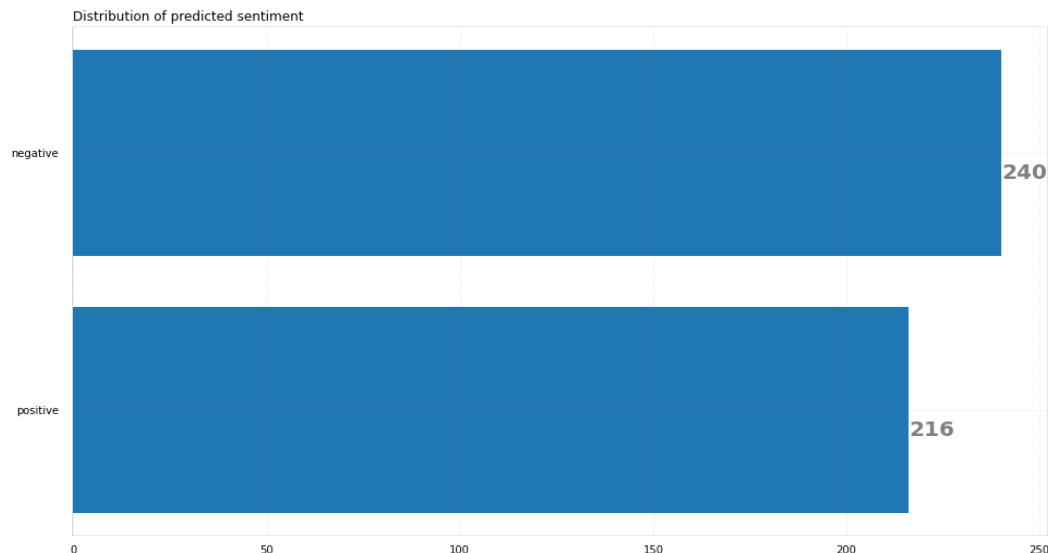




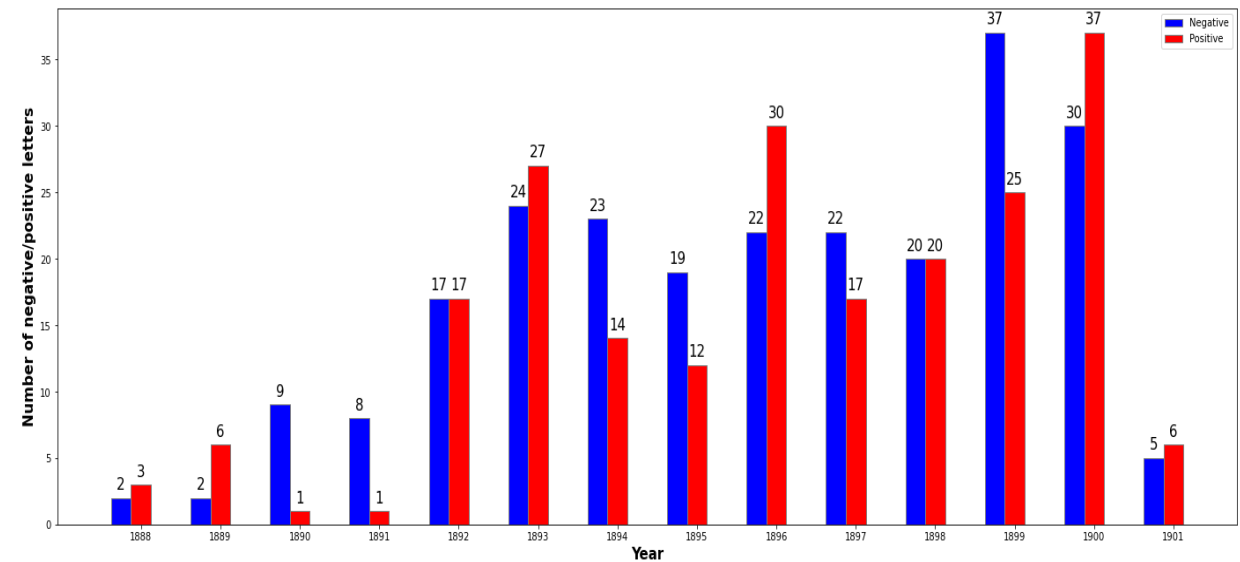
# SentITA sentiment polarity

- SentiPolc Test set result:
  - F1 score: 0.85
- Model result on Puccini's letters:

Predicted sentiment with SentITA model



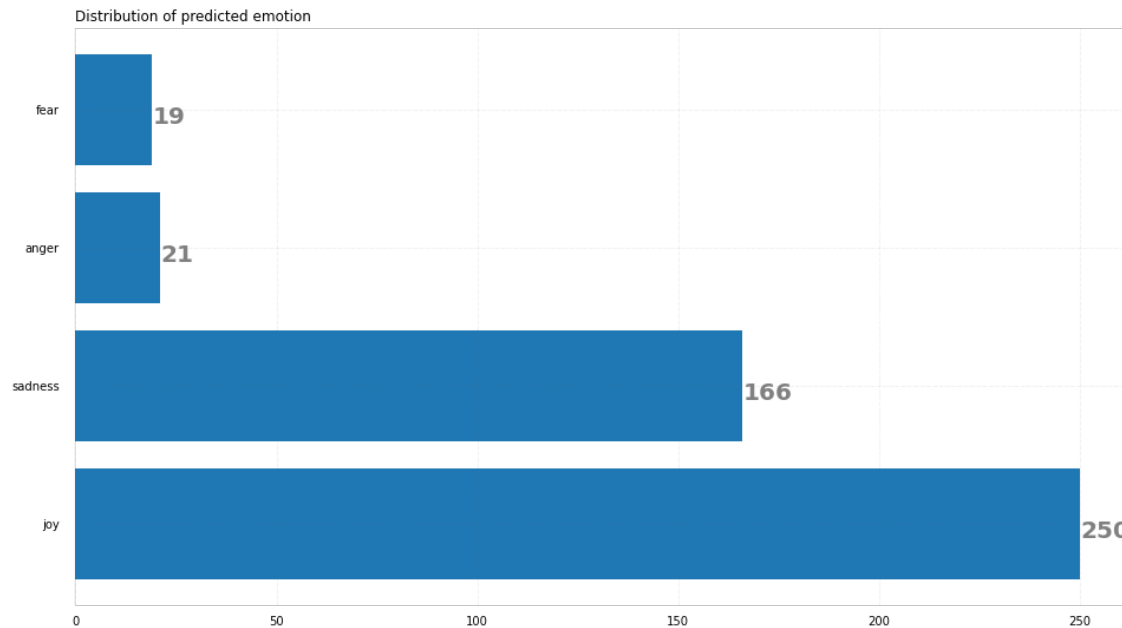
Predicted sentiment with SentITA model over the years



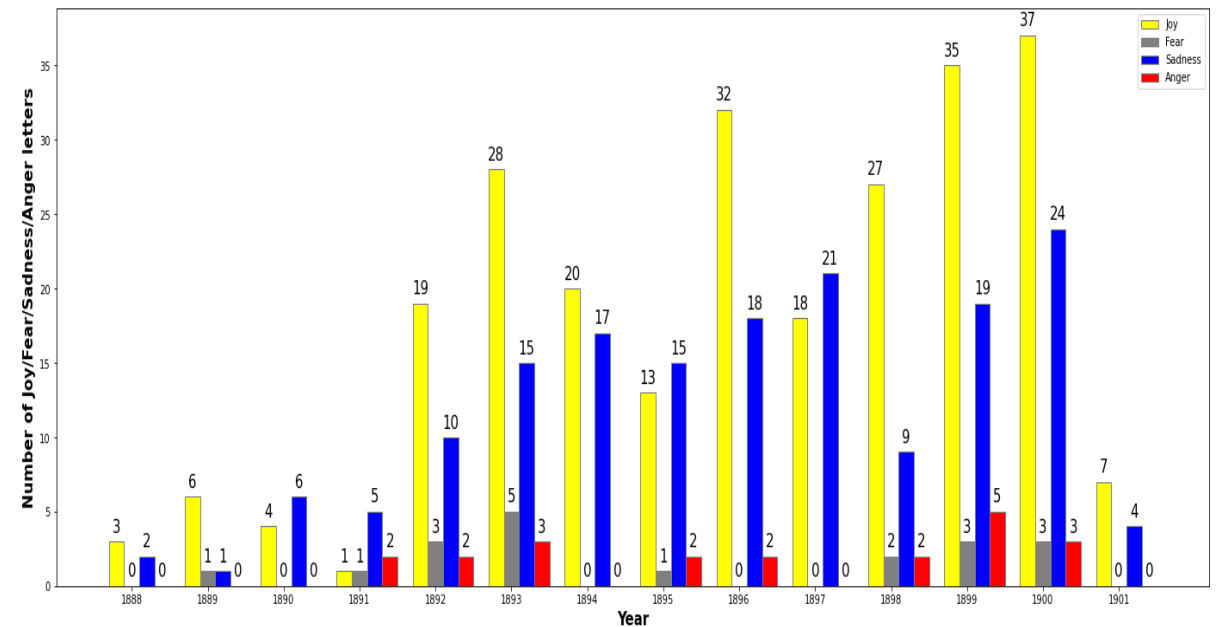
# SentITA emotion

- There is not information about emotions in SentiPolc dataset
- Model result on Puccini's letters:

Predicted sentiment with SentITA model

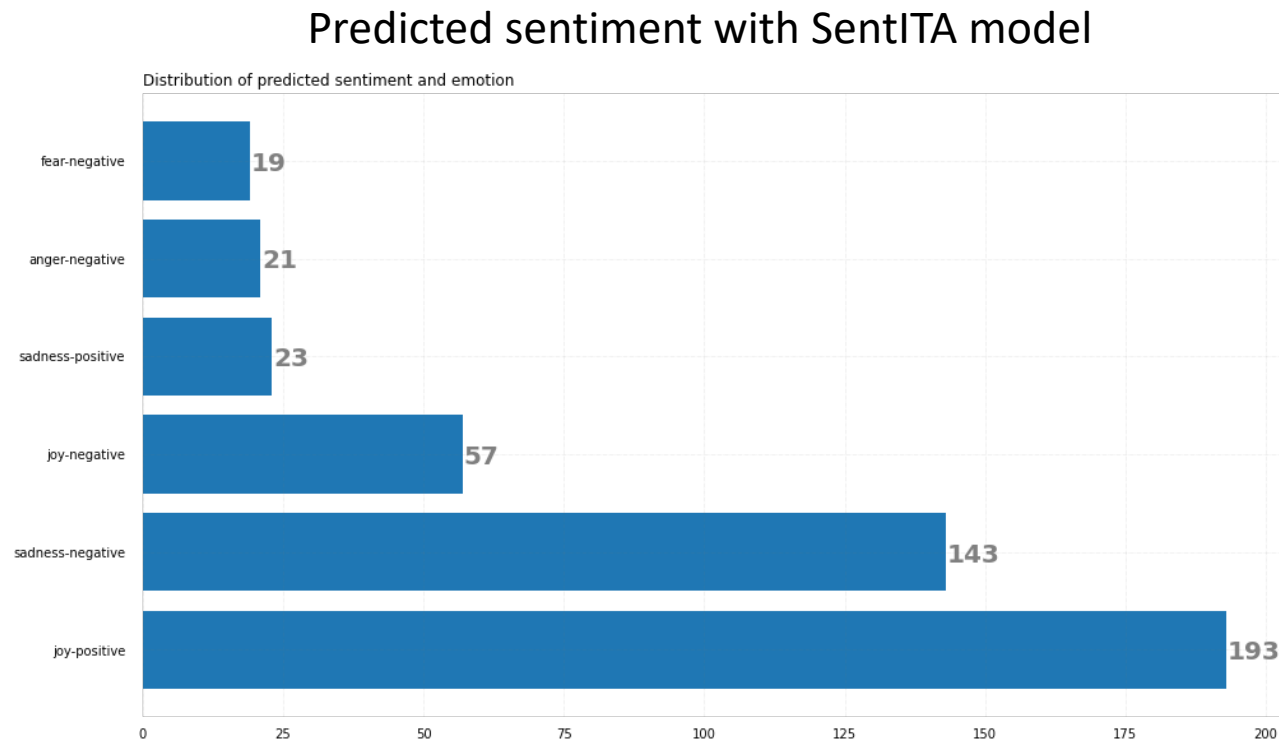


Predicted sentiment with SentITA model over the years



# SentITA emotion and sentiment

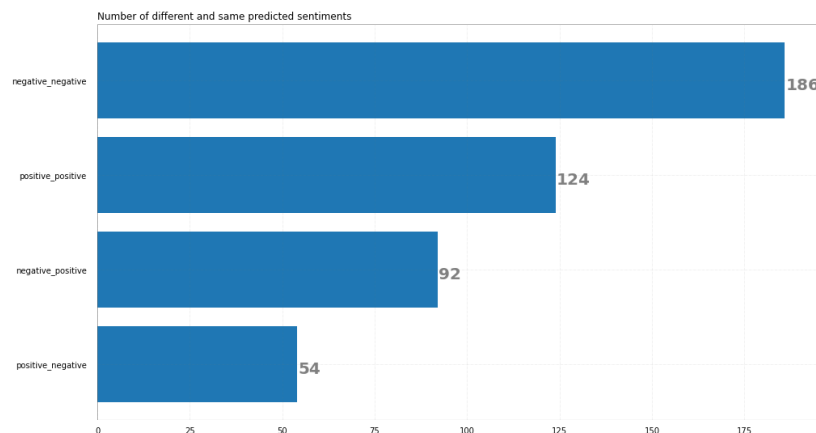
- There is not information about emotions in SentiPolc dataset
- Model result on Puccini's letters:



# Neural Networks vs. SentITA

- Comparison between Simple Neural Networks model and SentITA model
- Only the sentiment polarity model have been compared
- Model result on Puccini's letters comparison:

Comparison between 2-sentiments Neural Networks and Sentita models

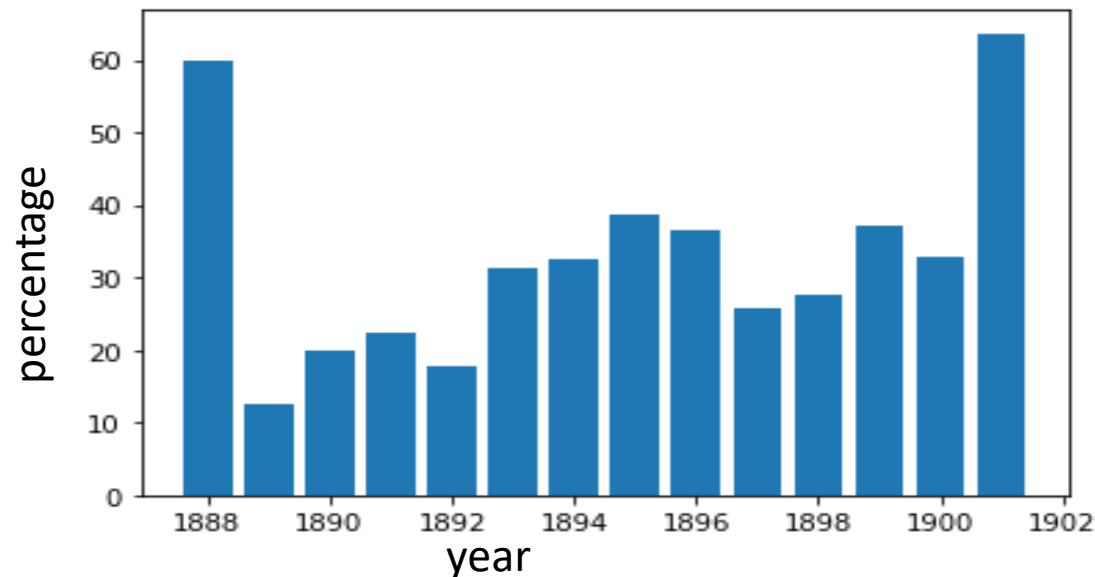


- Most of the letters are predicted with the same sentiments
- 68% of the letters are classified by the same sentiment by the two models

# Neural Networks vs. SentITA

- Comparison between Simple Neural Networks model and SentITA model
- Model result on Puccini's letters comparison:

Percentage of discordance in predicted sentiments - Neural Networks vs. SentITA



- Most letters are distributed in the years in the middle
- Percentage is higher in 1888 and 1902 since number of letters in that years is lower
- Percentage discordance stays under 40% in the other years

# Conclusions & Next Steps

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- Conclusions
  - Retrieval algorithm worked well
  - SentlTA performs better, due to the large training datasets combination but 2-sentiments is much faster to train and for this reason it may be a simple and reliable baseline
- Next Steps:
  - Develop a model for emotions detection
  - Use also other features retrieved to train the model (source, receiver, date, place, volume, volume signature, year, page, number of pages ecc.)

# Questions?

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