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Project 2 Report

Python-based spam detector using the Naive Bayes approach

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Analysis :

Explanation of how the results were generated.

- Confusion matrix was constructed from the True Positives, False Positives, False Negatives and True Negatives, obtained while generating 'result.txt'. [3]



- The following table was constructed, resulting in the 1st row generated by keeping Ham as the positives while 2nd by keeping Spam as positives. [4]
- **Accuracy of each class** = $\text{true_positive} / (\text{true_positive} + \text{false_negative}) * 100$
- **Precision of each class** = $\text{true_positive} / (\text{true_positive} + \text{false_positive}) * 100$
- **Recall of each class** = $\text{true_positive} / (\text{true_positive} + \text{false_negative}) * 100$
- **F1 Score of each class** = $2 * (\text{Recall} * \text{Precision}) / (\text{Recall} + \text{Precision})$
- **Accuracy of the model** = $(\text{true_positive} + \text{true_negative}) / (\text{true_positive} + \text{true_negative} + \text{false_negative} + \text{false_positive}) * 100$

Class	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1-measure
Ham	98.5	0.860	0.985	0.918
Spam	84.0	0.982	0.84	0.906
Model	91.25			

Discuss these results.

- Since the ham-spam classification problem at hand has balanced classes, accuracy would be enough to comment on the performance of the model.
- Accuracy of the model for identifying Ham files is better than for Spam files.
- Also, F1-measure states that the model is favorable for detecting Ham files.
- So, overall it is evident that the trained model is better at distinguishing Ham files as compared to Spam files.
- Nevertheless, it is visible that the model is not that bad of a fit for Spam classification.

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