

# MALIGNANT COMMENTS CLASSIFIER PROJECT REPORT

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Also, I have utilized a few external resources that helped me to complete this project. I ensured that I learn from the samples and modify things according to my project requirement. All the external resources that were used in creating this project are listed below:

- 1) https://www.google.com/
- 2) <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">https://www.youtube.com/</a>
- 3) https://scikit-learn.org/stable/user\_guide.html
- 4) https://github.com/
- 5) <a href="https://www.kaggle.com/">https://www.kaggle.com/</a>
- 6) <a href="https://medium.com/">https://medium.com/</a>
- 7) <a href="https://towardsdatascience.com/">https://towardsdatascience.com/</a>
- 8) <a href="https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/">https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/</a>

## INTRODUCTION

## Business Problem Framing

The proliferation of social media enables people to express their opinions widely online. However, at the same time, this has resulted in the emergence of conflict and hate, making online environments uninviting for users. Although researchers have found that hate is a problem across multiple platforms, there is a lack of models for online hate detection.

Online hate, described as abusive language, aggression, cyberbullying, hatefulness and many others has been identified as a major threat on online social media platforms. Social media platforms are the most prominent grounds for such toxic behaviour.

There has been a remarkable increase in the cases of cyberbullying and trolls on various social media platforms. Many celebrities and influences are facing backlashes from people and have to come across hateful and offensive comments. This can take a toll on anyone and affect them mentally leading to depression, mental illness, self-hatred and suicidal thoughts.

Internet comments are bastions of hatred and vitriol. While online anonymity has provided a new outlet for aggression and hate speech, machine learning can be used to fight it. The problem we sought to solve was the tagging of internet comments that are aggressive towards other users. This means that insults to third parties such as celebrities will be tagged as unoffensive, but "u are an idiot" is clearly offensive.

Our goal is to build a prototype of online hate and abuse comment classifier which can used to classify hate and offensive comments so that it can be controlled and restricted from spreading hatred and cyberbullying.

## Conceptual Background of the Domain Problem

Online platforms and social media become the place where people share the thoughts freely without any partiality and overcoming all the race people share their thoughts and ideas among the crowd.

Social media is a computer-based technology that facilitates the sharing of ideas, thoughts, and information through the building of virtual networks and communities. By design, social media is Internet-based and gives users quick electronic communication of content. Content includes personal information, documents, videos, and photos. Users engage with social media via a computer, tablet, or smartphone via web-based software or applications.

While social media is ubiquitous in America and Europe, Asian countries like India lead the list of social media usage. More than 3.8 billion people use social media.

In this huge online platform or an online community there are some people or some motivated mob wilfully bully others to make them



not to share their thought in rightful way. They bully others in a foul language which among the civilized society is seen as ignominy. And when innocent individuals

are being bullied by these mob these individuals are going silent without speaking anything. So, ideally the motive of this disgraceful mob is achieved.

To solve this problem, we are now building a model that identifies all the foul language and foul words, using which the online platforms like social media principally stops these mob using the foul language in an online community or even block them or block them from using this foul language.

#### Review of Literature

The purpose of the literature review is to:

- 1. Identify the foul words or foul statements that are being used.
- 2. Stop the people from using these foul languages in online public forum.

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I have used 9 different Classification algorithms and shortlisted the best on basis of the metrics of performance and I have chosen one algorithm and build a model in that algorithm.

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## Motivation for the Problem Undertaken

One of the first lessons we learn as children is that the louder you scream and the bigger of a tantrum you throw, you more you get your way. Part of growing up and maturing into an adult and

functioning member of society is learning how to use language and reasoning skills to communicate our beliefs and respectfully disagree with others, using evidence and persuasiveness to try and bring them over to our way of thinking.

With widespread usage of online social networks and its popularity, social networking platforms have given us incalculable opportunities than ever before, and its benefits are undeniable. Despite benefits, people may be humiliated, insulted, bullied, and harassed by anonymous users, strangers, or peers. In this study, we have proposed a cyberbullying detection framework to generate features from online content by leveraging a pointwise mutual information technique. Based on these features, we developed a supervised machine learning solution for cyberbullying detection and multi-class categorization of its severity. Results from experiments with our proposed framework in a multi-class setting are promising both with respect to classifier accuracy and f-measure metrics. These results indicate that our proposed framework provides a feasible solution to detect cyberbullying behaviour and its severity in online social networks.

## **Analytical Problem Framing**

Mathematical/ Analytical Modeling of the Problem
 The libraries/dependencies imported for this project are shown

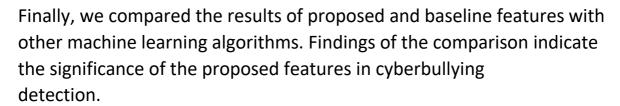
below:

```
import warnings
warnings.simplefilter("ignore")
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
import joblib
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
import missingno
import pandas_profiling
from scipy import interp
import scikitplot as skplt
from itertools import cycle
import matplotlib.ticker as plticker
import nltk
nltk.download('stopwords', quiet=True)
nltk.download('punkt', quiet=True)
from wordcloud import WordCloud
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.stem import SnowballStemmer
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize, regexp_tokenize
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer, CountVectorizer
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score, GridSearchCV, RandomizedSearchCV
from scipy.sparse import csr_matrix
import timeit, sys
from sklearn import metrics
import tqdm.notebook as tqdm
from skmultilearn.problem_transform import BinaryRelevance
from sklearn.svm import SVC, LinearSVC
from sklearn.multiclass import OneVsRestClassifier
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB, GaussianNB
from sklearn.ensemble import AdaBoostClassifier, BaggingClassifier, RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.metrics import hamming loss, log loss, accuracy score, classification report, confusion matrix
from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve, auc, roc_auc_score, multilabel_confusion_matrix
from scikitplot.metrics import plot_roc_curve
```

Here in this project, we have been provided with two datasets namely train and test CSV files. I will build a machine learning model by using NLP using train dataset. And using this model we will make predictions for our test dataset.

I will need to build multiple classification machine learning models. Before model building will need to perform all data pre-processing steps involving NLP. After trying different classification models with different hyper parameters then will select the best model out of it. Will need to follow the complete life cycle of data science that includes steps like -

- 1. Data Cleaning
- 2. Exploratory Data Analysis
- 3. Data Pre-processing
- 4. Model Building
- 5. Model Evaluation
- 6. Selecting the best model





The data set contains the training set, which has approximately 1,59,000 samples and the test set which contains nearly 1,53,000 samples. All the data samples contain 8 fields which includes 'Id', 'Comments', 'Malignant', 'Highly malignant', 'Rude', 'Threat', 'Abuse' and 'Loathe'. The label can be either 0 or 1, where 0 denotes a NO while 1 denotes a YES. There are various comments which have multiple labels. The first attribute is a unique ID associated with each comment.

The data set includes:

Malignant: It is the Label column, which includes values 0 and 1, denoting if the comment is malignant or not.

<u>Highly Malignant:</u> It denotes comments that are highly malignant and hurtful.

Rude: It denotes comments that are very rude and offensive.



<u>Threat:</u> It contains indication of the comments that are giving any threat to someone.

Abuse: It is for comments that are abusive in nature.

<u>Loathe:</u> It describes the comments which are hateful and loathing in nature.

ID: It includes unique Ids associated with each comment text given.

<u>Comment text:</u> This column contains the comments extracted from various social media platforms.

Variable	Definition
id	A unique id aligned with each comment text.
comment_text	It includes the comment text.
malignant	It is a column with binary values depicting which comments are malignant in nature.
highly_malignant	Binary column with labels for highly malignant text.
rude	Binary column with labels for comments that are rude in nature.
threat	Binary column with labels for threatening context in the comments.
abuse	Binary column with labels with abusive behaviour.
loathe	Label to comments that are full of loathe and hatred.

This project is more about exploration, feature engineering and classification that can be done on this data. Since the data set is huge and includes many categories of comments, we can do good amount of data exploration and derive some interesting features using the comments text column available. You need to build a model that can differentiate between comments and its categories.

## • Data Preprocessing Done

The following pre-processing pipeline is required to be performed before building the classification model prediction:

- 1. Load dataset
- 2. Remove null values
- 3. Drop column id
- 4. Convert comment text to lower case and replace '\n' with single space.

- 5. Keep only text data ie. a-z' and remove other data from comment text.
- 6. Remove stop words and punctuations
- 7. Apply Stemming using SnowballStemmer
- 8. Convert text to vectors using TfidfVectorizer
- 9. Load saved or serialized model
- 10. Predict values for multi class label

## State the set of assumptions (if any) related to the problem under consideration

Cyberbullying has become a growing problem in countries around the world. Essentially, cyberbullying doesn't differ much from the type of bullying that many children have unfortunately grown accustomed to in school. The only difference is that it takes place online.



Cyberbullying is a very serious issue affecting not just the young victims, but also the victims' families, the bully, and those who witness instances of cyberbullying. However, the effect of cyberbullying can be most detrimental to the victim, of course, as they may experience a number of emotional issues that affect their social and academic performance as well as their overall mental health.

## Hardware and Software Requirements and Tools Used

Hardware technology being used.

RAM:8GB

CPU : AMD Ryzen 5 3550H with Radeon Vega Mobile Gfx 2.10

GHz

GPU : AMD Radeon ™ Vega 8 Graphics and NVIDIA GeForce

**GTX** 

1650 Ti

Software technology being used.

Programming language : Python

Distribution : Anaconda Navigator

Browser based language shell : Jupyter Notebook

Libraries/Packages specifically being used.

Pandas, NumPy, matplotlib, seaborn, scikit-learn, pandas-profiling, missingno, NLTK

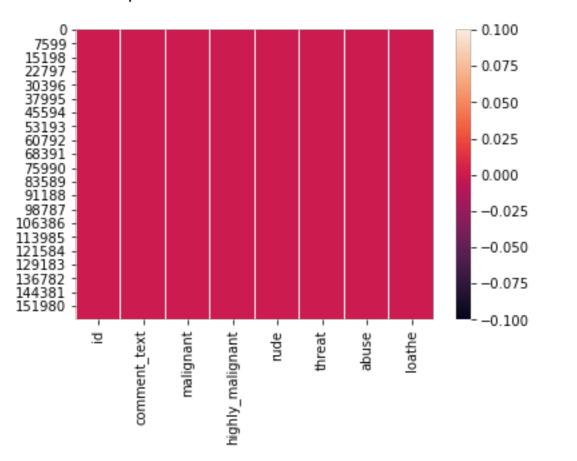
## **Model/s Development and Evaluation**

 Identification of possible problem-solving approaches (methods) I checked through the entire training dataset for any kind of missing values information and all these pre processing steps were repeated on the testing dataset as well.

#### Code:

<pre>df_train.isna().sum() # checking for missing values</pre>						
id	Ø					
comment_text	0					
malignant	0					
highly_malignant	0					
rude	0					
threat	0					
abuse	0					
loathe	0					
dtype: int64						

## Visual Representation:



Then we went ahead and took a look at the dataset information. Using the info method, we are able to confirm the non-null count details as well as the datatype information. We have a total of 8 columns out of which 2 columns have object datatype while the remaining 6 columns are of integer datatype.

#### Code:

```
df_train.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 159571 entries, 0 to 159570
Data columns (total 8 columns):
     Column
                        Non-Null Count
                                         Dtype
     id
                       159571 non-null object
 ø
    comment_text 159571 non-null object
malignant 159571 non-null int64
 1
 2
     malignant
                      159571 non-null
                                         int64
     highly malignant 159571 non-null int64
 3
                        159571 non-null int64
 4
     rude
 5
     threat
                        159571 non-null int64
     abuse
                      159571 non-null int64
     loathe
                       159571 non-null int64
dtypes: int64(6), object(2)
memory usage: 9.7+ MB
```

Then we went ahead and performed multiple data cleaning and data transformation steps. I have added an additional column to store the original length of our comment text column.

```
# checking the length of comments and storing it into another column 'original_length'
# copying df_train into another object df
df = df_train.copy()
df['original_length'] = df.comment_text.str.len()
# checking the first five and last five rows here
df
```

Since there was no use of the "id" column I have dropped it and converted all the text data in our comment text column into lowercase format for easier interpretation.

```
# Data Cleansing

# as the feature 'id' has no relevance w.r.t. model training I am dropping this column

df.drop(columns=['id'],inplace=True)

# converting comment text to lowercase format

df['comment_text'] = df.comment_text.str.lower()

df.head()
```

Stemming is the process of reducing a word to its word stem that affixes to suffixes and prefixes or to the roots of words known as a lemma. Stemming is important in natural language understanding (NLU) and natural language processing (NLP).

Here we have removed all the unwanted data from our comment column.

```
# Removing stop words
df.comment_text = df.comment_text.apply(lambda x: ' '.join(word for word in x.split() if word not in stop_words).strip())
# Removing punctuations
df.comment_text = df.comment_text.str.replace("[^\w\d\s]","")
# Checking any 10 random rows to see the applied changes
df.sample(10)
# Stemming words
snb_stem = SnowballStemmer('english')
df.comment_text = df.comment_text.apply(lambda x: ' '.join(snb_stem.stem(word) for word in word_tokenize(x)))
# Checking any 10 random rows to see the applied changes
df.sample(10)
# Checking the length of comment text after cleaning and storing it in cleaned length variable
df["cleaned length"] = df.comment text.str.len()
# Taking a loot at first 10 rows of data
df.head(10)
# Now checking the percentage of length cleaned
print(f"Total Original Length
print(f"Total Cleaned Length
                                   : {df.original_length.sum()}
                                   : {df.cleaned_length.sum()}")
print(f"Percentage of Length Cleaned : {(df.original_length.sum()-df.cleaned_length.sum())*100/df.original_length.sum()}%")
Total Original Length
Total Cleaned Length
                            : 34297506
Percentage of Length Cleaned: 45.46700728680541%
```

## • Testing of Identified Approaches (Algorithms)

The complete list of all the algorithms used for the training and testing classification model are listed below:

- 1) Gaussian Naïve Bayes
- 2) Multinomial Naïve Bayes
- 3) Logistic Regression
- 4) Random Forest Classifier
- 5) Linear Support Vector Classifier
- 6) Ada Boost Classifier
- 7) K Nearest Neighbors Classifier
- 8) Decision Tree Classifier
- 9) Bagging Classifier

## • Run and Evaluate selected models

I created a classification function that included the evaluation metrics details for the generation of our Classification Machine Learning models.

```
# 3. Training and Testing Model on our train dataset
# Creating a function to train and test model
def build_models(models,x,y,test_size=0.33,random_state=42):
    # spliting train test data using train_test_s,
    x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(x,y,test_size=test_size,random_state=random_state)
    # training models using BinaryRelevance of problem transform
    for i in tqdm.tqdm(models,desc="Building Models"):
        start time = timeit.default timer()
        sys.stdout.write("\n-----\n")
        sys.stdout.write(f"Current Model in Progress: {i} ")
        sys.stdout.write("\n========
        br clf = BinaryRelevance(classifier=models[i]["name"],require dense=[True,True])
        print("Training: ",br_clf")
        br_clf.fit(x_train,y_train)
        print("Testing: ")
        predict_y = br_clf.predict(x_test)
        ham_loss = hamming_loss(y_test,predict_y)
        sys.stdout.write(f"\n\tHamming Loss : {ham_loss}")
        ac_score = accuracy_score(y_test,predict_y)
sys.stdout.write(f"\n\tAccuracy Score: {ac_score}")
        cl_report = classification_report(y_test,predict_y)
        sys.stdout.write(f"\n{cl_report}")
        end_time = timeit.default_timer()
        sys.stdout.write(f"Completed in [{end_time-start_time} sec.]")
        models[i]["trained"] = br_clf
        models[i]["lamming_loss"] = ham_loss
models[i]["accuracy_score"] = ac_score
models[i]["classification_report"] = cl_report
models[i]["predict_y"] = predict_y
        models[i]["time_taken"] = end_time - start_time
        sys.stdout.write("\n=========
    models["x_train"] = x_train
models["y_train"] = y_train
models["x_test"] = x_test
    models["y_test"] = y_test
    return models
```

#### Code:

#### Output:

```
Building Models: 100%
                                                      9/9 [1:26:58<00:00, 756.96s/it]
______
Current Model in Progress: GaussianNB
______
Training: BinaryRelevance(classifier=GaussianNB(), require_dense=[True, True])
Testing:
       Hamming Loss : 0.21560957083175086
       Accuracy Score: 0.4729965818458033
             precision
                         recall f1-score
                                             support

    0.16
    0.79
    0.26

    0.08
    0.46
    0.13

    0.11
    0.71
    0.19

    0.02
    0.25
    0.03

    0.10
    0.65
    0.17

    0.04
    0.46
    0.07

                           0.79
                  0.16
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  micro avg
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                 0.08 0.55
  macro avg
                                                2958
                                     0.14
             0.12 0.70
0.05 0.07
weighted avg
                                     0.21
                                                2958
 samples avg
                                     0.05
                                                2958
Completed in [27.41599629999999 sec.]
```

#### Observation:

From the above model comparison, it is clear that Linear Support Vector Classifier performs better with Accuracy Score: 91.35586783137106% and Hamming Loss: 1.9977212305355107% than the other classification models. Therefore, I am now going to use Linear Support Vector Classifier for further Hyperparameter tuning process. With the help of hyperparameter tuning process I will be trying my best to increase the accuracy score of our final classification machine learning model.

 Key Metrics for success in solving problem under consideration

#### Hyperparameter Tuning:

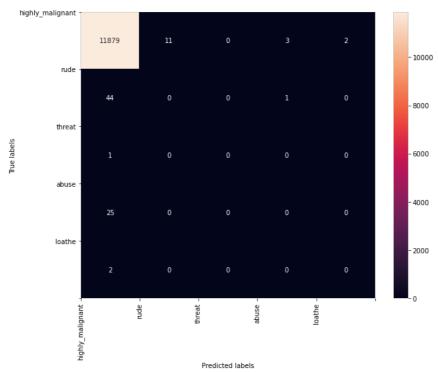
#### Final Classification Model details:

```
Final_Model = OneVsRestClassifier(LinearSVC(loss='hinge', multi_class='ovr', penalty='12', random_state=42))
Classifier = Final_Model.fit(x_train, y_train)
fmod_pred = Final_Model.predict(x_test)
fmod_acc = (accuracy_score(y_test, fmod_pred))*100
print("Accuracy score for the Best Model is:", fmod_acc)
h_loss = hamming_loss(y_test,fmod_pred)*100
print("Hamming loss for the Best Model is:", h_loss)
```

Accuracy score for the Best Model is: 91.51069518716578 Hamming loss for the Best Model is: 1.9593917112299464

#### Confusion Matrix for Final Model:





## Saving the best model:

```
# selecting the best model
best_model = trained_models['Support Vector Classifier']['trained']
# saving the best classification model
joblib.dump(best_model,open('Malignant_comments_classifier.pkl','wb'))
```

## Final predicted dataframe:

	comment_text	malignant	highly_malignant	rude	threat	abuse	loathe
0	yo bitch ja rule succes ever what hate sad mof	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	rfc titl fine imo	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	sourc zaw ashton lapland	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	look back sourc inform updat correct form gues	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	anonym edit articl	0	0	0	0	0	0
153159	total agre stuff noth long crap	0	0	0	0	0	0
153160	throw field home plate get faster throw cut ma	0	0	0	0	0	0
153161	okinotorishima categori see chang agre correct	0	0	0	0	0	0
153162	one found nation eu germani law return quit si	0	0	0	0	0	0
153163	stop alreadi bullshit welcom fool think kind e	0	0	0	0	0	0

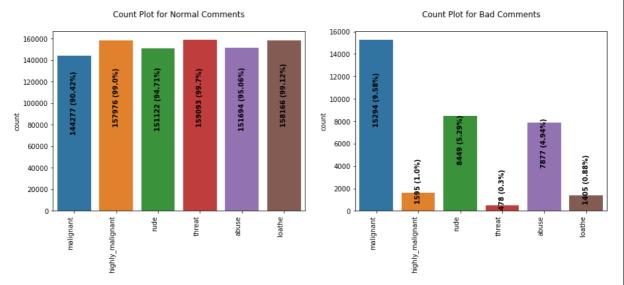
153164 rows × 7 columns

## • Visualization:

#### Code:

```
# comparing normal comments and bad comments using count plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(15,5))
for i in range(2):
    sns.countplot(data=df[output_labels][df[output_labels]==i], ax=ax[i])
    if i == 0:
        ax[i].set_title("Count Plot for Normal Comments\n")
    else:
        ax[i].set_title("Count Plot for Bad Comments\n")
    ax[i].set_xticklabels(output_labels, rotation=90, ha="right")
    p=0
    for prop in ax[i].patches:
        count = prop.get_height()
        s = f''(count) (\{round(count*100/len(df),2)\}\%)''
        ax[i].text(p,count/2,s,rotation=90, ha="center", fontweight="bold")
        p += 1
plt.show()
```

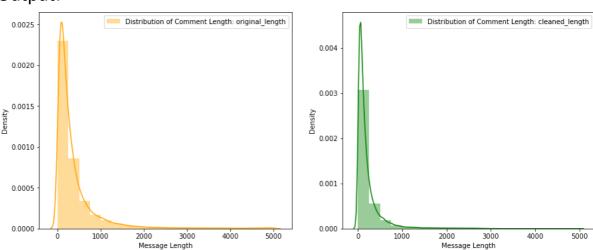
## Output:



#### Code:

```
# Comparing the comment text length distribution before cleaning and after cleaning
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(15,6))
j=0
colors = ['orange','green']
for i in df.columns[-2:]:
    label_text = f"Distribution of Comment Length: {i}"
    sns.distplot(df[i],ax=ax[j],bins=20,color=colors[j],label=label_text)
    ax[j].set_xlabel("Message Length")
    ax[j].legend()
    j += 1
plt.show()
```

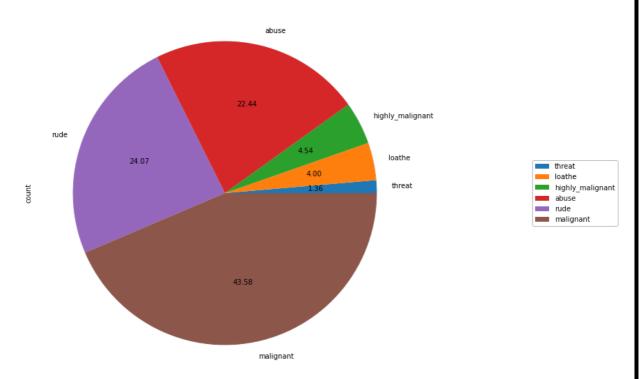
#### **Output:**



#### Code:

#### Output:

Label distribution over comments



#### Code:

```
# Plotting heatmap for visualizing the correlation

plt.figure(figsize=(15, 10))

corr = df_train.corr() # corr() function provides the correlation value of each column sns.heatmap(corr, linewidth=0.5, linecolor='black', fmt='.0%', cmap='YlGn_r', annot=True)
plt.show()
```

## Output:



#### **Data Preparation steps:**

```
# 1. Convert text to Vectors

# Converting text to vectors using TfidfVectorizer
tfidf = TfidfVectorizer(max_features=4000)
features = tfidf.fit_transform(df.comment_text).toarray()

# Checking the shape of features
features.shape
```

#### (159571, 4000)

Output Variable Shape: (159571, 6)

```
# 2. Seperating Input and Output Variables

# input variables
X = features

# output variables
Y = csr_matrix(df[output_labels]).toarray()

# checking shapes of input and output variables to take care of data imbalance issue print("Input Variable Shape:", X.shape)
print("Output Variable Shape:", Y.shape)

Input Variable Shape: (159571, 4000)
```

## • Interpretation of the Results

Starting with univariate analysis, with the help of count plot it was found that dataset is imbalanced with having higher number of records for normal comments than bad comments (including malignant, highly malignant, rude, threat, abuse and loathe). Also, with the help of distribution plot for comments length it was found that after cleaning most of comments length decreases from range 0-1100 to 0-900. Moving further with word cloud it was found that malignant comments consists of words like fuck, nigger, moron, hate, suck etc. highly\_malignant comments consists of words like ass, fuck, bitch, shit, die, suck, faggot etc. rude comments consists of words like nigger, ass, fuck, suck, bullshit, bitch etc. threat comments consists of words like die, must die, kill, murder etc. abuse comments consists of words like moron, nigger, fat, jew, bitch etc. and loathe comments consists of words like nigga, stupid, nigger, die, gay, cunt etc.

## **CONCLUSION**

Key Findings and Conclusions of the Study

The finding of the study is that only few users over online use unparliamentary language. And most of these sentences have more stop words and are being quite long. As discussed before few motivated disrespectful crowds use these foul languages in the

online forum to bully the people around and to stop them from doing these things that they are not supposed to do. Our study helps the online forums and social media to induce a ban to profanity or usage of profanity over these forums.

 Learning Outcomes of the Study in respect of Data Science

Through this project we were able to learn various Natural language processing techniques like lemmatization, stemming, removal of stopwords. We were also able to learn to convert strings into vectors through hash vectorizer. In this project we applied different evaluation metrics like log loss, hamming loss besides accuracy.

My point of view from my project is that we need to use proper words which are respectful and also avoid using abusive, vulgar and



worst words in social media. It can cause many problems which could affect our lives. Try to be polite, calm and composed while handling stress and negativity and one of the best solutions is to

avoid it and overcoming in a positive manner.

- Limitations of this work and Scope for Future Work
   Problems faced while working in this project:
  - More computational power was required as it took more than 2 hours
  - Imbalanced dataset and bad comment texts
  - Good parameters could not be obtained using hyperparameter tuning as time was consumed more

#### Areas of improvement:

- Could be provided with a good dataset which does not take more time.
- Less time complexity
- Providing a proper balanced dataset with less errors.