IPTC News Categorisation Final Report for NLP Course, Winter 2023

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Abstract

This project aims to develop an efficient and automated process for categorizing news articles in line with the IPTC taxonomy. Our initial investigation has highlighted the potential of NLP techniques to create a new quality standard for news classification. We test Ada and Angle Embeddings methods, which can be used in an unsupervised manner. A conceptual framework for our approach is presented - along with data preparation, initial results and discussion. It turns out that embedding methods are suitable approach to IPTC news categorization problem - especially Ada which achieved over 85% accuracy and 80% F1 score.

1 Introduction

In today's digital age, staying informed is of utmost importance. With an increasing number of articles available online, efficient categorization and article filtering have become an essential feature for both readers and content creators. To address this need, the IPTC taxonomy was developed, providing a systematic and standardized approach for categorizing news content (International Press Telecommunications Council, 2023). However, manual categorization of news articles is labor-intensive, time-consuming, and subject to human error. The exponential growth in digital news output exacerbates these issues, creating a pressing need for an automated solution.

The primary scientific goal of this project is to leverage Natural Language Processing (NLP) techniques to automate the categorization of news articles according to the IPTC taxonomy. This venture aims to address the dual challenges of efficiency and accuracy in the classification process, which are currently hampered by manual methods. By designing and implementing a machine learning-driven approach, the project seeks to enhance the speed of categorization without compromising the granularity and precision that the IPTC taxonomy demands.

Our study prioritizes the exploration of language model embeddings due to their universal applicability - particularly in scenarios involving modifications of the IPTC taxonomy. Moreover, no labeled data is needed which makes our method data-independent. The investigation is guided by the following research questions:

- Is the unsupervised learning method, using only comparison (e.g. cosine similarity) between embeddings of articles and categories sufficient to effectively solve IPTC news categorisation problem?
- · What are the key differences of examined embedding methods and how do these distinctions impact their performances in the categorization task?
- · Can additional prompt engineering using GPT-4 for IPTC categories or articles enhance the overall quality of the solution?

The main contribution of the project is a creation of comprehensive framework for assignment of IPTC taxonomy categories to news articles. Additionally, we conducted tests using various models and embeddings, which can be valuable when developing new projects, saving data scientists a significant amount of time and identifying potential directions.

Related works

In the landscape of text categorization, various approaches have been explored, ranging from classical machine learning methods to state-of-the-art language model embeddings. This literature review aims to provide an overview of these approaches, highlighting their strengths and applications.

2.1 Classical machine learning methods

Classical machine learning approaches have been extensively employed in the categorization of news articles, with methodologies that typically involve the transformation of text data into vector space representations. The essence of these methods lies in the conversion of textual information into a set of features, often using techniques such as TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency) or word embeddings before applying various machine learning algorithms.

A pivotal study in this area is the paper titled "Automatic Semantic Categorization of News Headlines using Ensemble Machine Learning: A Comparative Study" (Bogery et al., 2022). The authors of this paper provide a comprehensive examination of ensemble machine learning techniques to automate the semantic categorization of news headlines. Their research underscores the efficacy of combining multiple machine learning models to improve classification accuracy.

The paper presents several key findings:

- Ensemble methods, which combine the predictions of several base estimators, often outperform single-model approaches, especially in tasks where the decision boundary is not linear or clear-cut.
- Machine learning models such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forests, and Naïve Bayes classifiers have been successfully applied to text classification problems, with varying degrees of success contingent upon the nature of the dataset and the complexity of the classification task.
- The preprocessing of text data, including the removal of stop words, stemming, and lemmatization, plays a crucial role in the performance of these models.

The study by Bogery et al. is instrumental in demonstrating that classical machine learning methods, despite the emergence of deep learning, remain relevant and powerful tools for news categorization. Their work supports the notion that with appropriate data preprocessing and model selection, classical algorithms can serve as a strong baseline or component in a more complex news categorization system.

That suggests that a carefully tuned Multinomial Naive Bayes classifier may be particularly effective for text classification tasks, achieving high accuracy and recall. The success of these classifiers hinges on the transformation of text into meaningful vector representations, utilizing methodologies like Word2Vec combined with TF-IDF vectorization to preserve semantic information.

2.2 XLNet

XLNet is a pretraining approach for language understanding models introduced in (Yang et al., 2019). Its main idea is to overcome the limitations of Autoregressive (AR) and BERT-based models.

The most important aspect of XLNet is the permutation-based training technique. Instead of forward or backward text factorization used in AR models, XLNet predicts words based on random permutation of the input. Therefore, the model is capable of capturing bidirectional context and the factorization allows the model to consider all words in a sentence and their relationships, providing a better representation of the entire context.

Secondly, XLNet does not use masks for predicted words and does not introduce the mismatch in pretraining-fine-tuning discrepancy unlike BERT-based models, which utilize Masked-Language Modelling (MLM).

The model uses a 2-stream self-attention mechanism, utilizing content and query representations and incorporates recurrence mechanisms from Transformer-XL ((Dai et al., 2019)) for capturing long-term dependencies.

2.3 Mask-guided BERT

Mask-guided BERT is a framework for Few-Shot-Learning (FSL) proposed in (Liao et al., 2023). It is a suitable method for dealing with the situation when there are few labeled observations at our disposal. The Mask-BERT pipeline can be divided into 4 key parts:

- Fine-tuning with base dataset the pretrained BERT (Devlin et al., 2019) architecture or its variant is used for initial fine-tuning on the base dataset. The base dataset is a large corpus of data and plays a supporting role for the FSL task on the "novel" dataset.
- **Select anchor observations** the fine-tuned BERT model is used for feature extraction

of base and novel samples. Then, a set of "anchor" samples is selected out of the base dataset. They should meet the requirements of having a relatively low distance to category centers, along with a low distance to the few-shot novel observations.

- Mask anchor samples XAI method (e.g. Integrated Gradients) is used for creating token masks for anchor samples. The main purpose of this step is to keep only relevant fragments of anchor samples (with regard to the novel dataset).
- **Final tuning** The final tuning of the model is used on the union of anchor and novel dataset. The model is trained by minimizing loss function, being a combination of crossentropy and contrastive loss.

The Mask-guided BERT method was compared with BERT-based approaches (e.g. BERT, CNN-BERT) and other NLP techniques (CPFT). It yielded the highest scores in terms of accuracy for text classification benchmark datasets, such as AGNews (Zhang et al., 2015) or DBPedia14 (Lehmann et al., 2015).

2.4 Seed-Guided methods

Seed-guided methods utilize the concept of a seed - a unigram or a phrase under which a set of terms that form a coherent topic may be found. Mentioned terms can be a unigram or a phrase as well. SeedTopicMine is a framework proposed in (Zhang et al., 2023) that iteratively uses the concept of seed for topic discovery. There are three key modules in the framework:

- Initial Term Ranking that uses seed-guided text embeddings and PLM-based representations to find terms relevant to each category. For each category, top-r terms are found.
- Topic-Indicative Sentence Retrieval uses topic-indicative terms from the previous module to find a set of topic-indicative sentences.
- Ensemble of Multiple Types of Context calculates measure for semantic proximity between term and category based on topicindicative sentences from the previous module. Terms are ranked in descending order,

additionally having embedding and PLM-based rank positions. Based on those three positions, rank ensemble is performed by calculating mean reciprocal rank (MRR). The updated term set contains only terms whose MRR score exceeds a certain threshold.

In the mentioned paper, SeedTopicMine is compared to other seed-guided modeling methods:

- SeededLDA LDA method that biases each topic and document to generate more seeds and select topics relevant to the seeds respectively,
- Anchored CorEx method that instead of relying on generative assumptions, leverages seeds by balancing between compressing the input corpus and preserving seed-related information,
- KeyETM embedding-based model that modifies the objective of ETM to utilize seeds in the form of topic-level priors over vocabulary,
- CatE embedding method for discriminative topic mining that jointly learns term embedding and specificity from input corpus. After that terms are selected based on embedding similarity with the seeds and specifity.

The study concludes that the proposed Seed-TopicMine framework outperforms existing seed-guided topic discovery methods in both term accuracy and topic coherence. It is suggested that the results may benefit keyword-based text classification by expanding the seed word semantics and prompt-based methods via enriching their verbalizers. It can also be extended to model input seeds organized hierarchically by injecting regularization or discovering topics beyond the provided seeds by incorporating latent topic learning in the corpus modeling process.

2.5 LLM prompting

Prompt engineering has gained significance in the context of recent advancements in Large Language Models. It focuses on the formulation of precise instructions or queries to elicit desired responses from models like GPT. Such an approach was explored for IPTC categorization problem (Fatemi et al., 2023), where authors utilized GPT-3.5 Turbo architecture to model the first and second IPTC hierarchy.

2.6 State-of-the-art language model embeddings

The "Massive Text Embedding Benchmark (MTEB)" by (Muennighoff et al., 2023) is a comprehensive evaluation of text embedding methods that span eight embedding tasks, covering a total of 58 datasets and 112 languages.

The paper has benchmarked 33 models and finds that no single text embedding method is superior across all tasks, suggesting that the field has yet to converge on a universal text embedding method that can provide state-of-the-art results on all embedding tasks.

Classification within the MTEB is executed by training a logistic regression classifier on top of embeddings extracted from the language model. The main metric for classification tasks is accuracy, with average precision and F1 score also provided as additional metrics.

The benchmark found ST5 models dominate the multilingual classification task across most datasets. ST5-XXL has the highest average performance, 3% ahead of the best non-ST5 model - OpenAI's Ada.

3 IPTC text classification through LLM embeddings

3.1 Solution framework

We propose a method for classifying news articles with the usage of embeddings generated with Large Language Model. Our framework consists of 3 steps (see Figure 13):

- 1. Generating embedding for each category name or description.
- 2. Generating embeddings for news articles using generally pretrained Large Language Model.
- 3. Calculating cosine similarity between each article and each category name. The article is assigned the closest category in the embedding space.

Language model embeddings capture the semantic meaning of the whole text fragment and can be used in multilingual settings depending on the model. For the sake of fast prototyping, we decided to apply OpenAI ADA Embeddings, which are still considered state of the art across a variety of NLP tasks according to results from 2023 paper "MTEB: Massive text embedding benchmark" (Fatemi et al., 2023).

3.2 Solution advantages

The main advantages of the solution are:

- Speed/Scalibility: Classification requires only one forward pass through the transformer model.
- 2. **Expendability:** Can be easily extended to new categories since it doesn't require model fine-tuning.
- 3. **Multilinguality:** Since the solution can use any generally pre-trained LLM, it can also work for various other languages depending on the capability of base LLM.

4 IPTC taxonomy and datasets

4.1 IPTC taxonomy

The IPTC (International Press Telecommunications Council) Taxonomy is a standardized system used for categorizing and tagging news content and media assets in journalism and media industries. It provides a structured set of controlled vocabulary terms for consistent content management, efficient search, and cross-platform publishing (International Press Telecommunications Council, 2023).

Categories

The IPTC Taxonomy covers various categories, including topics, locations, media types, rights, people, organizations, events, and dates, ensuring efficient and consistent news content handling. The categories are in a hierarchy structure, where each of them is at either the highest hierarchy (value 1), medium hierarchy (value 2) or the lowest hierarchy (value 3). The distribution of the categories is shown in table 1. Most of the categories are in the lowest hierarchy and least of them are in the highest hierarchy. Example rows of the taxonomy dataset are shown in figure 1.

4.2 STA dataset

4.2.1 Slovenian Press Agency (STA)

The Slovenian Press Agency (STA) is a leading news agency headquartered in Slovenia, operat-

Hierarchy	Count
1	17
2	385
3	535

Table 1: Hierarchy count for IPTC taxonomy file.

	code	hierarchy	name	description
0	subj:01000000		arts, culture and entertainment	Matters pertaining to the advancement and refi
1	subj:01001000		archaeology	Probing the past through ruins and artefacts
2	subj:01002000		architecture	Designing of buildings, monuments and the spac
3	subj:01003000		bullfighting	Classical contest pitting man against the bull
4	subj:01004000		festive event (including carnival)	Parades, parties, celebrations and the like no

Figure 1: Overview of the IPTC taxonomy file.

ing under the abbreviation STA. It serves as a primary source of news and information about Slovenia and the surrounding region.

4.2.2 Available STA's datasets

STA is a news agency engaged in various activities, including:

- News Reporting: STA provides comprehensive news coverage, reporting on topics such as politics, economics, culture, and sports, with a focus on Slovenia and the region.
- Media Services: STA offers media services, including text, photo, and video content for various platforms.
- **Public Information:** It serves as a vital source of public information, ensuring transparency and accessibility to news and events in Slovenia.
- International Reach: STA covers international news, making it a valuable resource for global audiences interested in the region.
- API Access: We have access to STA's API, allowing us to retrieve news articles enriched with manually assigned categories, titles, and additional information.

STA's commitment to accurate and timely reporting has established it as a trusted news source for both domestic and international audiences.

The STA News Dataset used in this project contains 8,778 English articles from 2023 alone. Among all the fields available in the data, the most

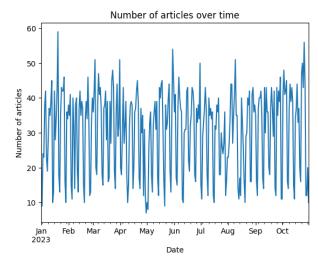


Figure 2: Distribution of STA English articles over time for STA dataset.

relevant for this research were the ones containing headlines, keywords and text of the article. The most common words in those articles, as shown in Figure 3, were LJUBLJANA, Slovenia, said and year. As for the keywords, the most prominent were Slovenia, Press and Events. All most frequent keywords are visualized in Figure 4.



Figure 3: Wordcloud of most common words across 2023 English articles from STA dataset.

4.3 Related Datasets

There are multiple open-source datasets related to the news categorization task. Such datasets might provide valuable resources for IPTC classification as they might serve as an additional source for model fine-tuning. Among the most relevant datasets to the project topic are AGNews and DB-Pedia14.

4.3.1 AGNews Dataset

The AGNews dataset is a widely used collection of news articles categorized into four distinct classes: World, Sports, Business, and

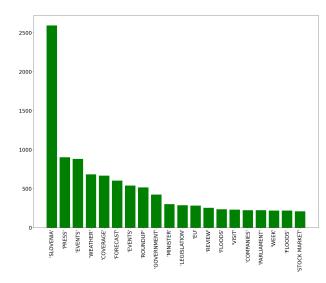


Figure 4: Histogram of most frequent keywords provided in the dataset across all 2023 English articles from STA dataset.

Science/Technology. This dataset is commonly employed in text classification into news categories and other natural language processing (NLP) tasks. It can be accessed at http://groups.di.unipi.it/~gulli/AG_corpus_of_news_articles.html.

4.3.2 DBPedia14 Dataset

The DBPedia14 dataset is derived from DBpedia, a large-scale multilingual knowledge base extracted from Wikipedia. It consists of articles that cover a wide range of topics, each labeled with a specific category. DBPedia14 is a comprehensive resource for text classification and knowledge-based NLP tasks. The DBPedia14 dataset is available through the Hugging Face Datasets library and can be accessed via https://huggingface.co/datasets/dbpedia_14/tree/main.

4.4 Test set preparation

The test set consists of 300 samples from the STA data. Considering the lack of ground truth labels, observations would be labeled manually. The samples were chosen from the English articles, excluding articles that do not contain text or ones that would be difficult to assign to just one category. An example of such an article would be an article containing a schedule for a specific day. It contains information related to multiple events, of which all of them may be assigned to other categories.

There are three methods used to sample the data:

- Balanced sampling: The categories are sampled in a way, that each of them has the same number of samples.
- **Stratified sampling:** the number of samples from each category has same proportion of samples as the original dataset.
- **Random sampling:** the samples are chosen randomly.

The first two approaches are done in reference to predicted classes, not the ground truth labels. It may add bias to the resulting test sets. Test set labeled chosen for further parts of the experiments is sampled by the random method.

Data labeling is done using an app developed during this research. The app shows the article's text along with its headline, one article at a time. Below it, the predicted label is shown. In case the article was previously annotated, the chosen label is shown as well. In this version, one of the eighteen categories of the highest hierarchy can be chosen as a label. The visual interface of the created application is visualized in Figure 5.

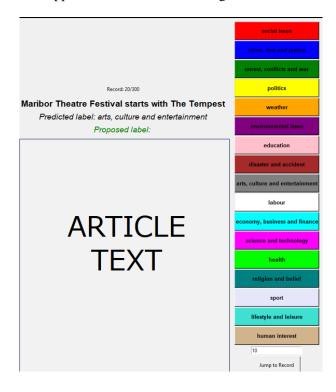


Figure 5: Labeling application interface.

The final test set contains the article's headline, text, the predicted high label (label from the highest category hierarchy) and the chosen label. Categories with the biggest number of observations in the test set are "economy, business and finance", "politics" and "crime law and justice" with more than 30 observations in each. The most populated class had close to 50 observations in it. The least populated classes in the test set are "lifestyle and leisure", "human interest", "health" and "religion and belief", each having less than 5 ovservations in it.

5 Experiments

5.1 Experimental settings

We conduct two experiments:

- Comparison of performance of closed-source OpenAI Ada¹ embeddings with open-source AnglE² embeddings.
- Comparison of performance between category embeddings generated with various strategies: name, name + description, name + description + keywords.

The comparison will be done based on the accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score and top three accuracy metrics computed on the test data set. Accuracy describes how often the model predicts the overall results correctly. Precision shows how often the model predicts the target class correctly and recall how well can the model find all objects of the target class. F1 score is the harmonic, mean of both precision and recall, often used to evaluate natural language processing models. Top three accuracy is a metric that assesses whether the true class falls within the three most probable classes determined by the model and in case of news categorisation might be more appropriate approach.

5.2 Taxonomy preparation

The taxonomy data is sourced from the original IPTC taxonomy file and processed to construct a structured file. A few rows from the original file are shown in figure 1. First, based on the available data, the hierarchy of each IPTC category is extracted. It is done to provide a multi-level representation of taxonomic relationships. As shown in Table 1, the higher the hierarchy, the fewer categories it contains. This stage of the project focused

on the highest possible category due to its lowest count of unique categories. It allowed for better data labeling and more observations in all of the categories.

Next, embeddings are created, to enhance the representation of the data. It is done using OpenAI'a Ada Embeddings and AnglE Embeddings. Embeddings are made separately for both the name of the category, as well as for its description.

The resulting dataset consists of code, hierarchy, name of the category, its description and created embeddings.

5.3 OpenAI Ada vs AnglE

Predictions are done using embeddings created with OpenAI's Ada and AnglE Embeddings. Both were done using deafault parameters. The embeddings are done for columns containing the article's text. Using them, as well as embeddings created during taxonomy dataset preprocessing, cosine similarity is calculated. The chosen label is a category with the highest cosine similarity value.

Achieved performance is shown in table 2. It is measured using accuracy and F1 score metrics. Ada Embeddings accomplished both higher accuracy and F1 score, both above 80%. Scores achieved for the AnglE Embeddings are respectively 64% and 51%. As such, the differences between those two methods are significant. On top of that, taking a look at confusion matrices in figures 6 and 7, the misclassification often happened in categories related to each other in some way. It may have happened because not all of the articles could have been assigned to just one category, but more of them may have been in the correct category for it.

Metric\Embedding	Ada	AnglE
Accuracy	85.67%	64.00%
F1 score	80.40%	51.49%

Table 2: Embeddings performance.

The classes themselves are not balanced, as shown in figure 10. The most common are related to the economy, politics and weather. Classes related to religion, lifestyle and human interest were not predicted often, which may support the thesis that the misclassification happened where categories were too broad for the model to understand them. Example of such category is "human interest". The articles themselves were not much dif-

¹https://platform.openai.com/docs/guides/embeddings/usecases

²https://huggingface.co/WhereIsAI/UAE-Large-V1

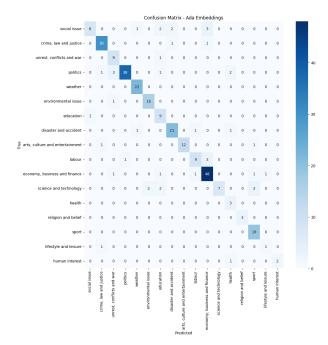


Figure 6: Ada Embeddings confusion matrix.

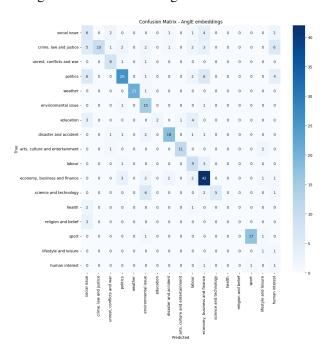


Figure 7: AnglE Embeddings confusion matrix.

Generate as many semantically diversified keywords as you can, related to the following category of news articles: {category} - {description}

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Format:
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 "keywords": [...]
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Figure 8: Prompt for generating keywords based on category description.

ferent in length. The only category that has significantly fewer words on average than the rest in weather, as seen in figure 9.

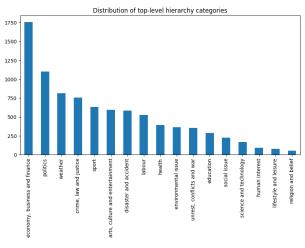


Figure 9: Average Word Count per Category.

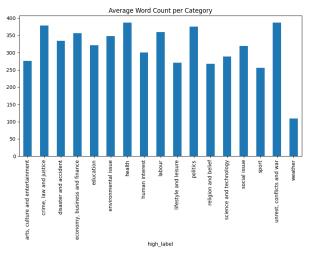


Figure 10: Distribution of top-level hierarchy categories.

# 5.4 Name vs description embeddings

Categories were predicted in three ways. First, only the embedding of category name was considered. Second, the original IPTC category description was used. Lastly, the category description augmented with GPT-4 generated keywords was utilized. The prompt for generating keywords is depicted in Figure 8. As shown in figure 11, using only the name of the category yielded the best results in most categories. Metrics used to compare the performance of the methods are accuracy, precision, recall, F1 score and top three accuracy. Only for the top three accuracy, expanded

descriptions achieved better scores. Descriptions performed the worst in all of the used metrics.

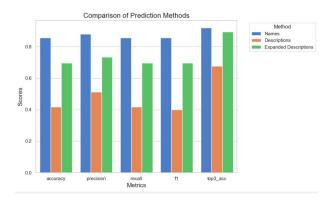


Figure 11: Prediction methods.

# 5.5 Multi-label categorisation

After initial results of single class classification (11) we realized it's often hard to determine only one correct class for article, which leads to inaccurate benchmarks. To mitigate the issue we decided to transform the problem to multi-label classification. Methodology was the following:

- 1. We redesigned the labeling app to allow for assignment of multiple labels for each article.
- 2. Next, we manually labeled 300 datapoints.
- 3. Finally, we repeated the benchmark, but this time using custom metric measuring how many correct labels are among the top predicted labels, for each datapoint (e.g. if there are 3 correct labels, we measure how many of them are among top3 predictions from our system). The result of experiment depicts Figure 12. The final accuracy turned out to be around 5-10% lower then for single class classification.

# 6 Categorisation system

As a continuation and refinement of the project, several areas of improvement and expansion have been identified. The extensions involved the following tasks:

#### 6.1 Quality Article Pre-processing

In our pursuit of delivering high-quality categorized news articles, we plan to enhance article preprocessing with the following steps:

Comparison of percentage multilabel coverage between true categories and top model predictions

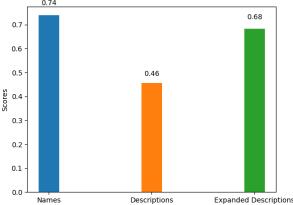


Figure 12: Accuracy for multi-label classification for our three methods.

- Remove HTML Tags: Improve text cleanliness by removing HTML tags from the article content.
- Split Texts into Sections: Segment articles into meaningful sections and calculate the average embeddings for each section to capture the nuances of different parts of an article effectively.
- Incorporate headlines: The headlines of articles are not considered in the embedding process. It leads to information loss, as they represent the most relevant and essential part of the text. We might consider two additional strategies: categorisation based on the headlines only and on the merging product of both the headlines and article bodies.

# 6.2 Vector Database

The implementation of a vector database is a key step in enhancing the performance and efficiency of our model. This involves the establishment of an optimized database to store vector representations of IPTC categories for quicker retrieval and processing. Moreover, the database could be extended with news articles and their headlines, which are classified on a high confidence level and could enhance the quality of queries.

We decided to go with ChromaDB, an opensource solution which can be easily integrated with Python applications. The database is deployed within a dockerized system.

# 6.3 Future work: self-improving system

Our system should optimally include a self-improving mechanism through the continuous integration of new articles into the vector database. Articles surpassing a predefined threshold of similarity with IPTC category embeddings present in the database would be incorporated. Such a process holds the potential to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the database querying system, as new incoming articles could be matched not only with category embeddings but also with high-quality article embeddings.

### 6.4 Final Architecture Diagram

To provide a comprehensive view of our system, we created a final architecture diagram. This diagram illustrates the components, data flow, and interactions within the final solution, making it easier to understand the overall structure and functionality.

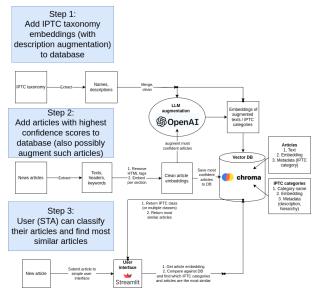


Figure 13: Final Architecture Diagram

These developments are aimed to optimize our project, improve the accuracy of category assignments, and enhance the user experience when classifying and accessing categorized news articles.

#### 7 Conclusions

This project successfully achieved its objective of implementing an accurate yet efficient solution for IPTC news categorization. It has also imparted valuable insights for future endeavors in this field:

• The IPTC news categorization problem should be approached as a multi-class prob-

- lem. Assigning a single class to articles is rarely sufficient, given that they often encompass a variety of topics and issues.
- Embedding methods prove to be a suitable approach, as they can adapt to any potential changes in the IPTC taxonomy structure.

#### 8 Rebuttals

- No analysis of related works point copied from last review, analysis was added in both POC and Final report.
- No EDA point copied from last review, EDA was added in both POC and Final report.
- No references to the dataset and taxonomy
   point copied from last review, references
   were added in both POC and Final report.
- No explicit package versions package versions added.
- Less comments in "06\_benchmark.ipynb" more comments added.
- Confusion matrices are not so visible. Maybe it would be better to replace them with some other visualization it is an important part of the analysis and the visibility may be implacted by overleaf itself.
- Experiment section is quite short and it should be the most important part. Maybe it would be good to say few words more about it - extended experiments section in multiple subsection.

#### 9 Final contribution of team members

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| Member                | Contribution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Paulina Szy-<br>manek | Preparation of test dataset, overview<br>of Seed-Guided methods, initial model<br>metrics, initial description augmenta-<br>tion, results analysis, rebuttals, repro-<br>ducible checklist (datasets)                                                                 |
| Łukasz Za-<br>lewski  | Benchmarks, multi-label test set, category description augmentation, metrics, results visualisations, repo documentation, rebuttals, literature review (embeddings methods), reports                                                                                  |
| Mikołaj Za-<br>lewski | STA API code, preparing test dataset with one and multi labels, overview of classical ML methods, IPTC taxonomy research, research of alternative IPTC news APIs, reports.                                                                                            |

Table 3: The contribution of individual team members.

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