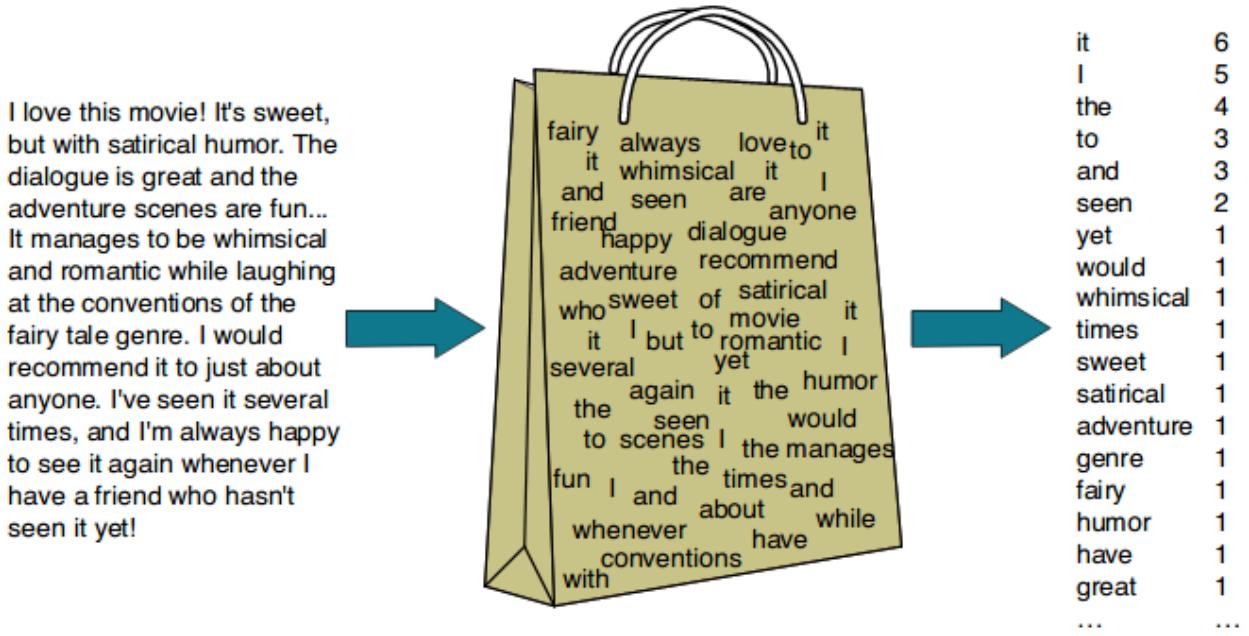
Bag Of Words



What is Bag of Words (BoW)?

Bag of Words is a technique to **convert text (sentences)** into **numbers** so that **machines can understand and analyze it**.

- It **counts how many times each word** appears in a sentence or document.
- It **ignores grammar, word order, and meaning**.
- It just cares **which words exist and how many times**.

> "I love pizza and I love burgers."

Into something like this:

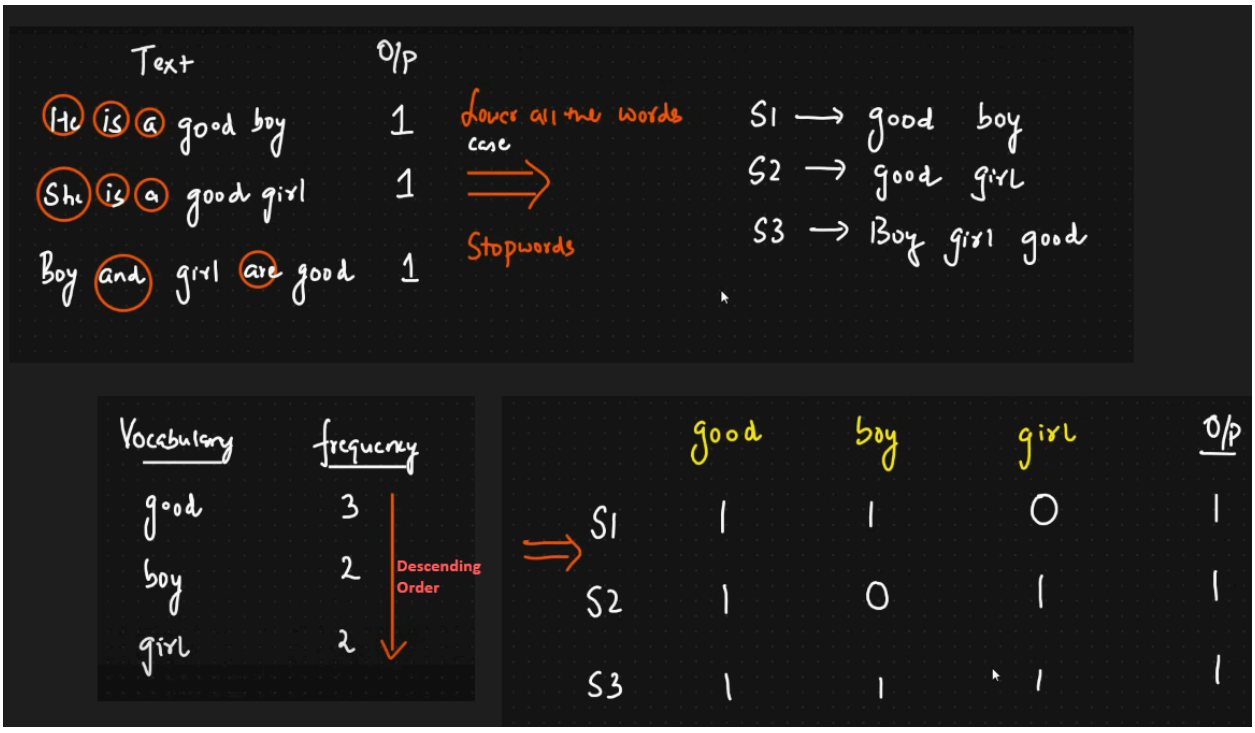
Word	Count
I	2
love	2

Word	Count
pizza	1
and	1
burgers	1

Now the sentence becomes a **vector of numbers**, not words.

How BoW Works?

1. **Tokenization**: Split text into words
2. **Vocabulary Creation**: Build a unique word dictionary
3. **Vectorization**: Count word occurrences in each document



Python Code for BoW

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer

documents = [
    "This is the first document.",
    "This document is the second document.",
    "And this is the third one."
]

# Initialize vectorizer
vectorizer = CountVectorizer()
X = vectorizer.fit_transform(documents)

# Results
print("Vocabulary:", vectorizer.get_feature_names_out())
print("BoW matrix:")
print(X.toarray())  # Convert sparse matrix to dense array
```

```
Vocabulary: ['and' 'document' 'first' 'is' 'one' 'second' 'the' 'third' 'this']
BoW matrix:
[[0 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 1]
 [0 2 0 1 0 1 1 0 1]
 [1 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1]]
```

💡 **In BoW, `"pizza I love"` and `"I love pizza"` → same vector.**

✅ Where BoW is Useful?

- Text classification (spam detection, sentiment analysis)
- Simple document similarity tasks
- Quick prototyping before trying advanced methods

⚠️ Limitations of BoW

Limitation	Description
❌ Ignores Order	"**dog bites man**" vs "**man bites dog**" appear identical
❌ No Context	Doesn't understand meaning or sarcasm
❌ Sparse Matrix	For big vocabularies, most values are 0
❌ Vocabulary Grows	New words → bigger vectors, less efficient

✨Advantages:

- Simple & intuitive
- Fixed sized input

🔄 BoW vs One-Hot vs TF-IDF

Feature	One-Hot	Bag of Words	TF-IDF
Vector Type	Binary (0/1)	Frequency Count	Weighted Frequency
Captures Count?	❌ No	✅ Yes	✅ Yes
Common Words	All treated same	All treated same	Penalizes common words
Output Size	Vocab size	Vocab size	Vocab size

BoW Practical

```
import pandas as pd

messages= pd.read_csv(r"https://raw.githubusercontent.com/shrudex/sms-spam-detection/refs/heads/main/sms-spam.csv")
messages.dropna(inplace=True, axis=1)
messages.columns = ["label", "message"]
#messages['label'] = messages['label'].map({'ham': 0, 'spam': 1})
```

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messages
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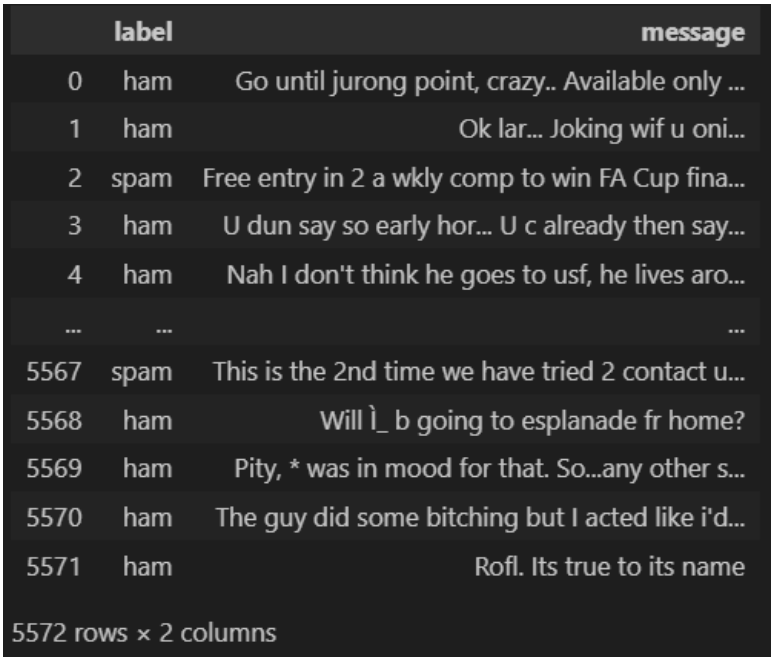


	label	message
0	ham	Go until jurong point, crazy.. Available only ...
1	ham	Ok lar... Joking wif u oni...
2	spam	Free entry in 2 a wkly comp to win FA Cup fina...
3	ham	U dun say so early hor... U c already then say...
4	ham	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives aro...
...	...	...
5567	spam	This is the 2nd time we have tried 2 contact u...
5568	ham	Will Ì_ b going to esplanade fr home?
5569	ham	Pity, * was in mood for that. So...any other s...
5570	ham	The guy did some bitching but I acted like i'd...
5571	ham	Rofl. Its true to its name

5572 rows × 2 columns

Data Cleaning And Preprocessing

```
## Data Cleaning And Preprocessing
import re
import nltk
#nltk.download('stopwords')
```

```
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
ps=PorterStemmer()
```

```
corpus= []

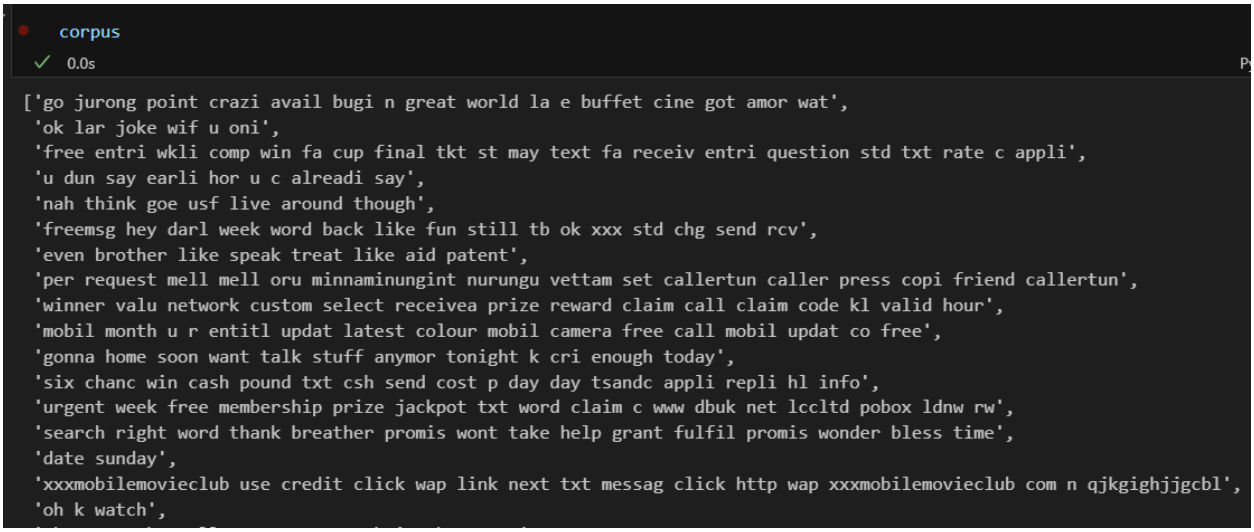
for i in range(len(messages)):
```

```
    review= re.sub('[^a-zA-z]',' ',messages['message'][i])
    review= review.lower()
    review= review.split() # Splits the review by words
    review= [ps.stem(word) for word in review if not word in stopwords.words
('english')]
    review= ' '.join(review)
    corpus.append(review)
```

`re.sub('[^a-zA-z]',' ',messages['message'][i])`

- Replace any character except A to Z with blank
  - Removes special characters
- `re.` `sub` `()` → Regular expression **substitution**
- `[^...]` → "not" these characters

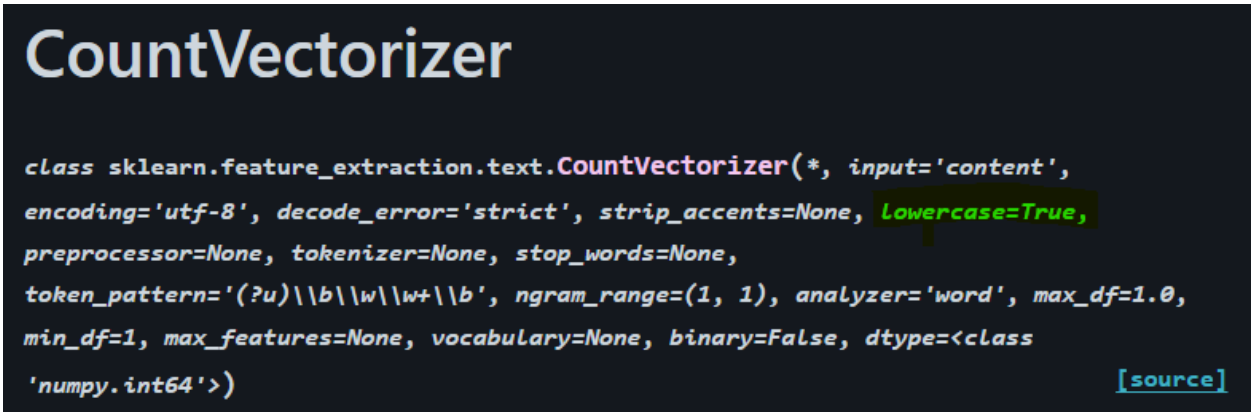
> Replace everything that is **not a letter (a–z or A–Z)** with a space.



Create Bag of Words

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
## for Binary BOW enable binary=True
```

```
cv=CountVectorizer(max_features=100,binary=True)
```



> 💡 `CountVectorizer` **already has a lowercase parameter. You don't need to do** `.lower()`

`max_features=100`

- Limits the number of words (features) in the vocabulary to the **top 100 most frequent** across the entire dataset.
- Helps reduce dimensionality and focus on the most important words.

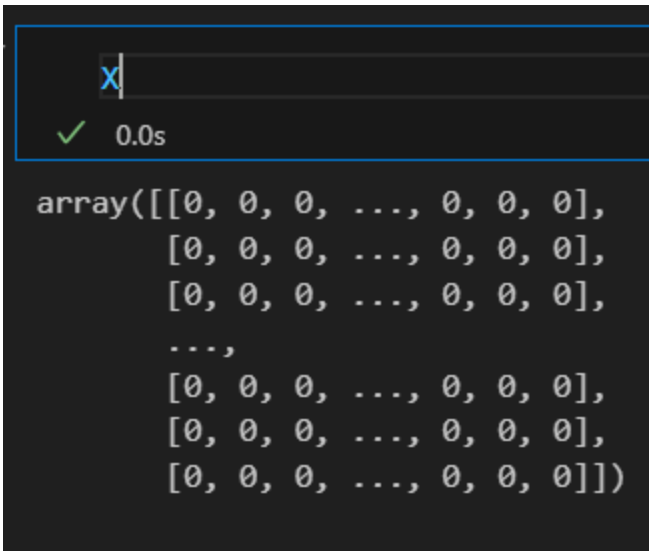
`binary=True`

- Instead of counting word occurrences, it returns:
  - **1** if the word is **present** in the document
  - **0** if it's **absent**
  - This makes it a **binary presence/absence matrix** — useful when word frequency isn't important (e.g., spam detection, sentiment classification).

```
X=cv.fit_transform(corpus).toarray()
```

- `.toarray()` :

- Converts the **sparse matrix** into a **dense NumPy array** (i.e., a regular 2D array).



Vocabulary:

```
cv.vocabulary_
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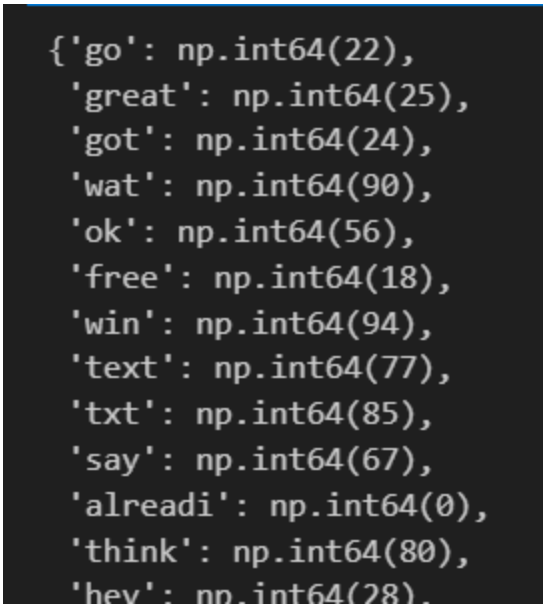


N-grams

🔠 What Are N-Grams?

An **N-gram** is a **sequence of N words** from a given text.

N-Gram Type	Example from "I love cats"
Unigram (1-gram)	`['I', 'love', 'cats']`
Bigram (2-gram)	`['I love', 'love cats']`
Trigram (3-gram)	`['I love cats']`

✅ Why Use N-Grams?

They help in:

- **Text classification** (e.g., spam detection)
- **Language modeling** (e.g., predictive typing)
- **Feature extraction** for ML models
- Understanding **word context** or collocations

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer

text = ["I love natural language processing"]

# Use bigrams and trigrams
vectorizer = CountVectorizer(ngram_range=(2, 3))
X = vectorizer.fit_transform(text)

print("N-gram Features:", vectorizer.get_feature_names_out())
print("Vectorized:", X.toarray())
```

```
N-gram Features: ['language processing' 'love natural' 'love natural language'
 'natural language' 'natural language processing']
Vectorized: [[1 1 1 1 1]]
```

📌 `ngram_range=(N, M)` explained:

Parameter	Meaning
`(1, 1)`	Unigrams
`(1, 2)`	Unigrams + Bigrams
`(2, 2)`	Bigrams only
`(2, 3)`	Bigrams and Trigrams

🧠 When to Use What?

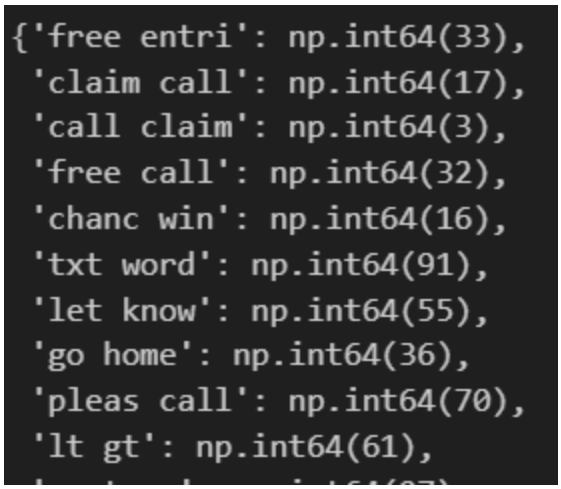
N-Gram Type	Use Case
Unigram	Basic feature extraction
Bigram	Captures simple word pairs (e.g., "not good")
Trigram+	Useful in complex contexts or phrase modeling

🚫 Limitations of N-Grams

- **Higher N = higher dimensionality**
- Doesn't capture **long-range dependencies**
- Can be very **sparse** with small data

Same code with Ngram:

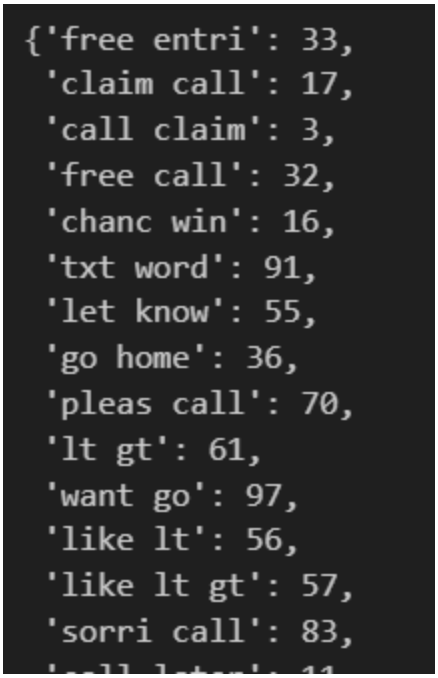
```
## Create the Bag OF Words model with ngram
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
## for Binary BOW enable binary=True
cv=CountVectorizer(max_features=100,binary=True,ngram_range=(2,3))
X=cv.fit_transform(corpus).toarray()
```



💡 **Numbers are the indices and not number of occurances.**

Get rid of `int64`:

```
vocab2 = {word: int(idx) for word, idx in cv.vocabulary_.items()}
vocab2
```



💡 **Try increasing `ngram_range` if you're not getting desired accuracy.**

Also increase the `max_features` along with `ngram_range.`