

Web Science cs532-s16

ASSIGNMENT 9 REPORT

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## Problem 1

Choose a blog or a newsfeed (or something similar with an Atom or RSS feed). Every student should do a unique feed, so please "claim" the feed on the class email list (first come, first served). It should be on a topic or topics of which you are qualified to provide classification training data. Find something with at least 100 entries (or items if RSS).

Create between four and eight different categories for the entries in the feed:

examples:

work, class, family, news, deals

liberal, conservative, moderate, libertarian

sports, local, financial, national, international, entertainment

metal, electronic, ambient, folk, hip-hop, pop

Download and process the pages of the feed as per the week 12 class slides.

## Answer

I took me a long time to find a web page with over 100 RSS feeds. I eventually used PlayStation's RSS feeds for movies, which has over 10 thousand feeds. I downloaded and save the feeds with the curl -o command and saved it as psMovies.xml. Next, I picked out the categories for classifying the entries, which are:

action - a film genre in which the characters are thrust into a series of challenges that involve physical feats, extended fight scenes, violence, and frantic chases.

comedy - a genre of film in which the main emphasis is on humour. These films are designed to make the audience laugh through amusement and most often work by exaggerating characteristics for humorous effect. Films in this style traditionally have a happy ending (black comedy being an exception).

scifi - a film genre that uses science fiction: speculative, fictional science-based depictions of phenomena that are not fully accepted by mainstream science, such as extraterrestrial life forms, alien worlds, extrasensory perception and time travel, along with futuristic el-

ements such as spacecraft, robots, cyborgs, interstellar space travel or other technologies. Science fiction films have often been used to focus on political or social issues, and to explore philosophical issues like the human condition.

horror - unsettling films designed to frighten and panic, cause dread and alarm, and to invoke our hidden worst fears, often in a terrifying, shocking finale, while captivating and entertaining us at the same time in a cathartic experience.

romance - romantic love stories recorded in visual media for broadcast in theaters and on television that focus on passion, emotion, and the affectionate romantic involvement of the main characters and the journey that their genuinely strong, true and pure romantic love takes them through dating, courtship or marriage. Romance films make the romantic love story or the search for strong and pure love and romance the main plot focus.

other - other movie genres that are not included above.  
(I copied the movie genre definitions from WIKIPEKIA)

## Problem 2

Manually classify the first 50 entries, and then classify (using the fisher classifier) the remaining 50 entries.

Create a table with the title, predicted category, actual category, and `cprob()` and `fisherprob()` for the actual category.

## Answer

I copy and modified the files `docclass.py` and `feedfilter.py` to solve this problem. The program `feedfilter.py` reads and parse the entries from `psMovies.xml`. And for each of the top 50 entries, I enter an actual classification which is use to call the `classifier.train()` function in `docclass.py`. This is used to train the classifier and enables it to make predictions of the category of the movies based on my input. I also get the fisher's conditional probability by calling the `classifier.cprob()` and `classifier.fisherprob()` functions, the actual category is to those functions to calculate the probabilities .

----- Manually classify first 50 entries -----				
Title	Prediction	Actual	cprob	fisherprob
Holy Ghost People	None	other	1.0	0.75
Bad Ass 2: Bad Asses	other	action	0.0	0.8861
Dom Hemingway - Theatrical Tralier	other	comedy	0.0	0.75
Nymphomaniac: Volume 2	other	other	1.0	0.75
In The Blood	action	action	1.0	0.75
10 Rules for Sleeping Around	action	romance	1.0	0.75
The Unknown Known	action	other	1.0	0.75
Afflicted	action	horror	1.0	0.75
Alien Abduction	horror	horror	0.0	0.8861
Alan Partridge	action	comedy	1.0	0.75
The Occupants	action	horror	1.0	0.75
The Little Rascals Save the Day	action	comedy	1.0	0.75
Seal Team Eight: Behind Enemy Lines	horror	action	1.0	0.75
The Pirate Fairy	horror	other	1.0	0.75
The Pirate Fairy (3D)	other	other	1.0	0.8333
Ages and Stages: The Story of the Meligrove Band	other	other	1.0	0.875
Blumenthal	action	comedy	1.0	0.75
Let Timmy Smoke	other	other	0.0	0.8861
I Am Divine	action	other	1.0	0.75
Four Seasons	horror	romance	1.0	0.75
About A Zombie	action	horror	0.0	0.7428
The Living Matrix	other	other	1.0	0.8333
Herbert Nitsch: Back from the Abyss	comedy	other	1.0	0.75
HazMat	horror	horror	1.0	0.75
Battle of the Empires	action	action	1.0	0.75
Volcom: True to This	horror	other	0.0	0.8861
E.T.X.R.	horror	scifi	0.0	0.8738
Hide Your Smiling Faces	horror	other	1.0	0.75
Locker 13	other	other	1.0	0.75
Airplane vs Volcano	horror	scifi	1.0	0.75
Mistaken For Strangers	other	comedy	1.0	0.75
Red Bull X Fighters 2013	horror	other	0.2632	0.3421
The Appearing	horror	horror	0.0	0.8861
SSI: Sex Squad Investigation	other	comedy	1.0	0.75
Black Roots	horror	other	0.0	0.8861
Happy Camp	horror	horror	1.0	0.75
Odd Thomas	horror	comedy	0.0	0.8861
Countdown	horror	horror	1.0	0.75
Awake Zion	horror	other	1.0	0.75
Beast of the Bering Sea	other	scifi	1.0	0.75
Wendy Liebman: Taller on TV	horror	comedy	0.0	0.9188
How to Follow Strangers	comedy	romance	1.0	0.75
In Heaven There is No Beer	horror	other	0.4848	0.4886
Come Back, Africa	horror	other	0.3077	0.3718
Home	horror	other	1.0	0.75
Scooby-Doo! Wrestlemania Mystery	comedy	comedy	0.0	0.8861
Avengers Confidential: Black Widow & Punisher	comedy	scifi	1.0	0.75
Bad Words - Theatrical Tralier	comedy	comedy	0.0	0.6207
Cheap Thrills	horror	horror	1.0	0.75
The French Minister	comedy	comedy	0.0	0.8861

----- Other 50 automaticly classified entries -----				
Title	Prediction	Actual	cprob	fisherprob
Mardock Scramble: Third Exhaust	other	action	0.0	0.5
Blood Ties (2014)	horror	other	0.0	0.25
Maladies	comedy	other	0.0	0.5
Divergent - Theatrical Trailer	comedy	scifi	0.0	0.5
McCanick	horror	action	0.0	0.5
Nymphomaniac: Volume 1	other	other	0.0	0.7428
Battle of the Undead	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
American Virgins	horror	comedy	0.0	0.0714
Almost Sharkproof	horror	comedy	0.0	0.5
Sparks	horror	action	0.0	0.5
The Wrath of Vajra	action	action	0.0	0.5399
The Laughing Matter	horror	comedy	1.0	0.8333
Tom Hollands Twisted Tales	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
Jeff Dunhams Achmed Saves America: The Animated Movie	horror	comedy	0.0	0.4752
Waking	horror	romance	0.0	0.5
Romeo, Romeo	horror	romance	0.0	0.5
CyberGeddon	horror	other	0.0	0.5
Signature Sounds: Music of WWE	horror	other	0.0	0.25
Maidentrip	romance	other	0.0	0.5
Foxfire	romance	other	0.0	0.1
Danny MacAskills Imagine Documentary	comedy	other	0.0	0.5
Buck Wild	comedy	comedy	0.0	0.5
5th Street	horror	action	0.0	0.5
How to Be a Man	other	comedy	0.0	0.3997
UFC Event Replays   UFC 171: Hendricks vs. Lawler	horror	other	0.0	0.5
Patrick: Evil Awakens	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
Better Living Through Chemistry	horror	comedy	0.0	0.2358
The Den	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
The Art of the Steal	horror	comedy	0.0	0.5
uwantme2killhim?	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
The Right Kind of Wrong	other	romance	0.0	0.5
Need for Speed - Theatrical Trailer	comedy	action	0.0	0.5
Veronica Mars	horror	comedy	0.0	0.5
The Last Days	scifi	scifi	0.0	0.5
WWE WCWs Greatest PPV Matches Vol. 1	other	other	0.0	0.5966
Bubble Guppies: Animals Everywhere!	other	other	0.0	0.3964
End of the World	comedy	scifi	0.0	0.5
A Cross to Bear	horror	other	0.0	0.5966
Shadowboxing	horror	comedy	0.0	0.5
Dark House	horror	horror	0.0	0.5
The Hungover Games	other	comedy	0.0	0.5
The Hungover Games (Unrated)	other	comedy	0.0	0.5
A Dance for Bethany	horror	romance	0.0	0.5
WWE WCWs Greatest PPV Matches Vol. 3	other	other	0.0	0.5966
WWE WCWs Greatest PPV Matches Vol. 2	other	other	0.0	0.5966
Soap Life	other	other	0.0	0.5966
Hated	other	other	0.6346	0.6077
In the Name of the King 3: The Last Mission	other	action	0.0	0.5
Celebrating the Music of "Inside Llewyn Davis"	other	other	0.3426	0.374
All Things to All Men	horror	other	0.0	0.1667

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1 import feedparser
2 import re
3 import math
4 import docclass
5
6 savefile = open("data.txt", "a")
7
8 # Takes a filename or URL of a blog feed and classifies the entries
9 def read(feed, classifier):

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10
11 splitRegexp = re.compile( r"<[^>]+>" )
12
13 num=0
14 # Get feed entries and loop over them
15 f=feedparser.parse(feed)
16
17 string1 = '_____ Manually classify first 50
18           entries _____\n'
19 dividline = "_" * 100 + "\n"
20 print string1
21 savefile.write(string1)
22 string2 = "{:<60}{:<12}{:<10}{:<8}{:<10}{:}" .format("Title", "Prediction", "
23           Actual", 'cprob', 'fisherprob', "\n")
24 print string2
25 savefile.write(string2)
26 savefile.write(dividline)
27
28 for entry in f['entries'][0:50]:
29     num=num +1
30     # Print the contents of the entry
31     title=entry['title'].encode('utf-8').replace(" ", "")
32     print 'Title:      '+ title
33
34     summary = splitRegexp.sub( "", entry["summary"] )
35
36     print summary #entry['summary'].encode('utf-8')
37
38     # Combine all the text to create one item for the classifier
39     #fulltext='%s\n%s\n%s' % (entry['title'],entry['publisher'],entry['summary
40     ''])
41     fulltext='%s\n%s' % (entry['title'],entry['summary'])
42     # Remove apostrophes
43     fulltext=fulltext.replace(" ", "")
44     # Print the best guess at the current category
45     predicted=str(classifier.classify(fulltext))
46     print 'Predicted category: ', predicted
47
48     # Ask the user to specify the correct category and train on that
49     actual=raw_input('Actual category: ')
50     classifier.train(fulltext, actual)
51
52     feature=raw_input('Enter string classifier: ')
53
54     #classifier.train(entry,cl)
55     # probability the item should be in this category
56     cp=round(classifier.cprob(feature, predicted),4)
57     fcp=round(classifier.fisherprob(feature, predicted),4)
58     print 'cprob: ', str(cp)
59     print 'fisherprob: ', str(fcp)
60     string3 = "{:<60}{:<12}{:<10}{:<8}{:<10}{:}" .format(title, predicted,
61     actual, str(cp), str(fcp), "\n")
62     savefile.write(string3)

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60     # Save the manual classifications
61     # num, entry, feature, predicted, actual, cprob=None
62     classifier.manualClassdb(num, title, feature, predicted, actual, cp, fcp)
63     savefile.write(dividline)
64 #def autoClassify(feed, classifier):
65     num=50
66     string4 = '\n_____ Other 50 automaticly classified
67             entries _____\n'
68     print string4
69     savefile.write(string4)
70     savefile.write(string2)
71     savefile.write(dividline)
72     # Get feed entries and loop over them
73     #f=feedparser.parse(feed)
74     for entry in f['entries'][50:100]:
75         num=num+1
76         # Print the contents of the entry
77         title=entry['title'].encode('utf-8').replace(" ", "")
78         print 'Title: ' + title
79         summary = splitRegexp.sub( "", entry["summary"] )
80         print summary #entry['summary'].encode('utf-8')
81
82     # Combine all the text to create one item for the classifier
83     #fulltext='%s\n%s\n%s' % (entry['title'], entry['publisher'], entry['summary'])
84     fulltext='%s\n%s' % (entry['title'], entry['summary'])
85     fulltext=fulltext.replace(" ", "")
86     # Print the best guess at the current category
87     predicted=str(classifier.classify(fulltext))
88     print 'Predicted: ', predicted
89
90     # Ask the user to specify the correct category
91     actual=raw_input('Actual category: ')
92     feature=raw_input('Enter string classifier: ')
93
94
95     # probability the item should be in this category
96     cp=round(classifier.cprob(feature, predicted), 4)
97     fcp=round(classifier.fisherprob(feature, predicted), 4)
98     print 'cprob: ', str(cp)
99     print 'fisherprob: ', str(fcp)
100
101     string6 = "{:<60}{:<12}{:<10}{:<8}{:<10}{}}".format(title, predicted,
102     actual, str(cp), str(fcp), "\n")
103     savefile.write(string6)
104     # Save the trained classifications
105     # num, entry, feature, predicted, cprob(feature, predicted)
106     classifier.autoClassdb(num, title, feature, predicted, actual, cp, fcp)
107 #return classifier
108     savefile.write(dividline)
109
110 def entryfeatures(entry):
111     splitter=re.compile('\W*')

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111 f={}
112
113 # Extract the title words and annotate
114 titlewords=[s.lower() for s in splitter.split(entry['title'])
115             if len(s)>2 and len(s)<20]
116 for w in titlewords: f['Title:'+w]=1
117
118 # Extract the summary words
119 summarywords=[s.lower() for s in splitter.split(entry['summary'])
120              if len(s)>2 and len(s)<20]
121
122 # Count uppercase words
123 uc=0
124 for i in range(len(summarywords)):
125     w=summarywords[i]
126     f[w]=1
127     if w.isupper(): uc+=1
128
129 # Get word pairs in summary as features
130 if i<len(summarywords)-1:
131     twowords=' '.join(summarywords[i:i+1])
132     f[twowords]=1
133
134 # Removed: Keep creator and publisher whole
135 #f['Publisher:'+entry['publisher']]=1
136
137 # UPPERCASE is a virtual word flagging too much shouting
138 if float(uc)/len(summarywords)>0.3: f['UPPERCASE']=1
139
140 return f
141
142
143 cl=docclass.fisherclassifier(docclass.getwords)
144 cl.setdb('psMovies.db')
145 read('psMovies.xml',cl)

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1 #from pysqlite2 import dbapi2 as sqlite
2 from sqlite3 import dbapi2 as sqlite
3 import re
4 import math
5
6 def getwords(doc):
7     splitter=re.compile('\W*')
8     #print doc
9     ## Remove all the HTML tags
10    doc=re.compile(r'<[^>]+>').sub('',doc)
11    # Split the words by non-alpha characters
12    words=[s.lower() for s in splitter.split(doc)
13          if len(s)>2 and len(s)<20]
14
15    # Return the unique set of words only
16    return dict([(w,1) for w in words])
17
18 class classifier:

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19 def __init__(self, getfeatures, filename=None):
20     # Counts of feature/category combinations
21     self.fc={}
22     # Counts of documents in each category
23     self.cc={}
24     ## extract features for classification
25     self.getfeatures=getfeatures
26
27 def setdb(self, dbfile):
28     self.con=sqlite.connect(dbfile)
29     self.con.execute('create table if not exists rss(num, entry, feature,
30 predicted, actual, cprob)')
31     self.con.execute('create table if not exists fc(feature, category, count)')
32     self.con.execute('create table if not exists cc(category, count)')
33     # remove old data from previous sessions
34     self.con.execute('delete from rss')
35     self.con.execute('delete from fc')
36     self.con.execute('delete from cc')
37
38 def manualClassdb(self, num, entry, feature, predicted, actual, cp, fcp):
39     self.con.execute("insert into rss values ('%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s')")
40     % (num, entry, feature, predicted, actual, fcp))
41     self.con.commit()
42
43 def autoClassdb(self, num, entry, feature, predicted, actual, cp, fcp):
44     self.con.execute("insert into rss values ('%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s', '%s')")
45     % (num, entry, feature, predicted, actual, fcp))
46     self.con.commit()
47
48 ## Increase the count of a feature/category pair
49 def incf(self, f, cat):
50     count=self.fc.count(f, cat)
51     if count==0:
52         self.con.execute("insert into fc values ('%s', '%s', 1)")
53         % (f, cat.lower())
54     else:
55         self.con.execute(
56             "update fc set count=%d where feature='%s' and category='%s'"
57             % (count+1, f, cat.lower()))
58
59 ## The number of times a feature has appeared in a category
60 def fcount(self, f, cat):
61     res=self.con.execute(
62         'select count from fc where feature="%s" and category="%s"'
63         % (f, cat)).fetchone()
64     if res==None: return 0
65     else: return float(res[0])
66
67 ## Increase the count of a category
68 def incc(self, cat):
69     count=self.catcount(cat)
70     if count==0:
71         self.con.execute("insert into cc values ('%s', 1)" % (cat.lower()))

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70     else:
71         self.con.execute("update cc set count=%d where category='%s'"
72                           % (count+1,cat))
73
74     ## The number of items in a category
75     def catcount(self,cat):
76         res=self.con.execute('select count from cc where category="%s"'
77                               %(cat)).fetchone()
78         if res==None: return 0
79         else: return float(res[0])
80
81     ## The list of all categories
82     def categories(self):
83         cur=self.con.execute('select category from cc');
84         return [d[0] for d in cur]
85
86     ## The total number of items
87     def totalcount(self):
88         res=self.con.execute('select sum(count) from cc').fetchone();
89         if res==None: return 0
90         return res[0]
91
92
93     ## The train method takes an item(document) and a classification.
94     ## It uses the getfeatures function to break the item into its
95     ## separate features. It then calls incf to increase the counts for
96     ## this classification for every feature. Finally, it increases
97     ## the total count for this classification.
98     def train(self,item,cat):
99         features=self.getfeatures(item)
100         # Increment the count for every feature with this category
101         for f in features:
102             self.incf(f,cat)
103
104         # Increment the count for this category
105         self.incc(cat)
106         self.con.commit()
107
108     ## Probability is a number between 0 and 1, indicating
109     ## the likelihood of an event. You calculate the probability of
110     ## a word in a particular category by dividing the number of
111     ## times the word appears in a document in that category
112     ## by the total number of documents in the category.
113     def fprob(self,f,cat):
114         if self.catcount(cat)==0: return 0
115
116         # The total number of times this feature appeared in this
117         # category divided by the total number of items in this category
118         return self.fcount(f,cat)/self.catcount(cat)
119
120     def weightedprob(self,f,cat,prf,weight=1.0,ap=0.5):
121         # Calculate current probability
122         basicprob=prf(f,cat)
123

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124     # Count the number of times this feature has appeared in
125     # all categories
126     totals=sum([self.fcount(f,c) for c in self.categories()])
127
128     # Calculate the weighted average
129     bp=((weight*ap)+(totals*basicprob))/(weight+totals)
130     return bp
131
132
133
134
135 class naivebayes(classifier):
136
137     def __init__(self,getfeatures):
138         classifier.__init__(self,getfeatures)
139         self.thresholds={}
140
141     def docprob(self,item,cat):
142         features=self.getfeatures(item)
143
144         # Multiply the probabilities of all the features together
145         p=1
146         for f in features: p*=self.weightedprob(f,cat,self.fprob)
147         return p
148
149     def prob(self,item,cat):
150         catprob=self.catcount(cat)/self.totalcount()
151         docprob=self.docprob(item,cat)
152         return docprob*catprob
153
154     def setthreshold(self,cat,t):
155         self.thresholds[cat]=t
156
157     def getthreshold(self,cat):
158         if cat not in self.thresholds: return 1.0
159         return self.thresholds[cat]
160
161     def classify(self,item,default=None):
162         probs={}
163         # Find the category with the highest probability
164         max=0.0
165         for cat in self.categories():
166             probs[cat]=self.prob(item,cat)
167             if probs[cat]>max:
168                 max=probs[cat]
169                 best=cat
170
171         # Make sure the probability exceeds threshold*next best
172         for cat in probs:
173             if cat==best: continue
174             if probs[cat]*self.getthreshold(best)>probs[best]: return default
175         return best
176
177 ## This function will return the probability that an item with the
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178 ## specified feature belongs in the specified category, assuming there
179 ## will be an equal number of items in each category.
180 class fisherclassifier(classifier):
181     def cprob(self,f,cat):
182         # The frequency of this feature in this category
183         clf=self.fprob(f,cat)
184         if clf==0: return 0
185
186         # The frequency of this feature in all the categories
187         freqsum=sum([self.fprob(f,c) for c in self.categories()])
188
189         # The probability is the frequency in this category divided by
190         # the overall frequency
191         p=clf/(freqsum)
192
193         return p
194
195
196     def fisherprob(self,item,cat):
197         # Multiply all the probabilities together
198         p=1
199         features=self.getfeatures(item)
200         for f in features:
201             p*=(self.weightedprob(f,cat,self.cprob))
202
203         # Take the natural log and multiply by -2
204         fscore=-2*math.log(p)
205
206         # Use the inverse chi2 function to get a probability
207         return self.invchi2(fscore,len(features)*2)
208
209     ## Inverse chi-squared function
210     def invchi2(self,chi,df):
211         m = chi / 2.0
212         sum = term = math.exp(-m)
213         for i in range(1, df//2):
214             term *= m / i
215             sum += term
216         return min(sum, 1.0)
217
218     def __init__(self,getfeatures):
219         classifier.__init__(self,getfeatures)
220         self.minimums={}
221
222     def setminimum(self,cat,min):
223         self.minimums[cat]=min
224
225     def getminimum(self,cat):
226         if cat not in self.minimums: return 0
227         return self.minimums[cat]
228
229     def classify(self,item,default=None):
230         # Loop through looking for the best result
231         best=default
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232     max=0.0
233     for c in self.categories():
234         p=self.fisherprob(item,c)
235         # Make sure it exceeds its minimum
236         if p>self.getminimum(c) and p>max:
237             best=c
238             max=p
239     return best

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## Problem 3

Assess the performance of your classifier in each of your categories by computing precision, recall, and F-measure.

## Answer

In order to calculate the precision, recall, and F-measures. I first have to get the false positive, false negative, and true positive of the predictions. Where the prediction matched my actual input for each category is the true positive for each category. The false positive and false negative is obtained by subtracting the TP from predicted and actual counts of each category. Then use the formulas from lecture slides to calculate the precision, recall, and F-measures.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Precision} &= \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FP}) \\ \text{Recall} &= \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN}) \\ \text{F-Measure} &= 2 * \text{P} * \text{R} / (\text{P} + \text{R}) \end{aligned}$$

Categories	FP	FN	TP	Precision	Recall	F-measure
Action	10	7	3	0.23	0.3	0.26
Comedy	8	19	4	0.33	0.17	0.22
Horror	35	3	12	0.26	0.8	0.39
Other	10	24	14	0.58	0.37	0.45
Romance	2	7	0	0	0	0
Scifi	0	6	1	1	0.14	0.25

Based on the result, the classifier did not perform well at all, but it was expected, since I only trained it with 50 entries.