

Natural Language Processing

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NLP - Advantages

- The benefits of natural language processing are innumerable.
- Natural language processing can be leveraged by companies to
- ➤ Improve the efficiency of documentation processes
- ➤ Improve the accuracy of documentation
- ➤ Identify the most pertinent information from large databases.

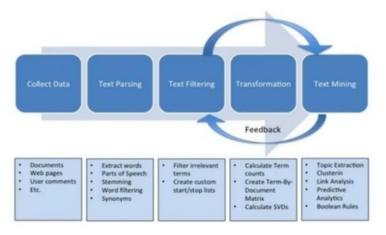
For example, a hospital might use natural language processing to pull a specific diagnosis from a physician's unstructured notes and assign a billing code.

Text Mining

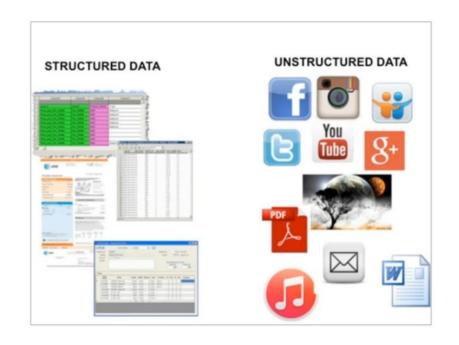
Text Mining

- [from Wikipedia]
 - "Text mining refers to the process of deriving high-quality information from text."
 - "The overarching goal is, essentially, to turn text into data for analysis, via application of natural language processing (NLP) and analytical methods."





Structured Data Vs Unstructured Data



Structured Data Data that resides in a fixed field within a record or file Ex: data in a database table Easy to enter, store, and analyze Difficult and costly to analyze Structured Data Unstructured Data Ex: e-mail, videos, audio files, web pages, presentations Difficult and costly to analyze

NLP – Basic Concepts & Terms

- Tokenization process of converting a text into tokens
- Tokens words or entities present in the text
- Text object a sentence or a phrase or a word or an article
 - · Word and Sentence segmentation
 - Pre-processing the text and Normalization: stop words removal, stemming, lemmatization
 - Term Frequency (tf)
 - Inverse document Frequency (idf)
 - Tfidf
 - · Bag of words (BOW)
 - Vector Space models
 - Cosine Similarity



my "red-blue" socks are the prettiest socks in the country,, no other, red blue socks are prettier in the nation....

my red blue socks prettiest socks country no other red blue socks prettier nation

Stemming

What is Stemming?: Stemming is the process of reducing the words(generally modified or derived) to their word stem or root form. The objective of stemming is to reduce related words to the same stem even if the stem is not a dictionary word.

For example, in the English language-

- 1.beautiful and beautifully are stemmed to beauti
- 2.good, better and best are stemmed to good, better and best respectively

from nltk import PorterStemmer

PorterStemmer().stem('casually')

my red blue socks prettiest socks country no other red blue socks prettier nation

my red blue socks pretti socks country no other red blue socks pretti nation

Lemmatization

• The process of reducing a group of words into their lemma or dictior form. It takes into account things like POS(Parts of Speech), the mean of the word in the sentence, the meaning of the word in the nearby sentences etc. before reducing the word to its lemma.

For example, in the English Language- beautiful and beautifully are lemmatized to beautiful and beautifully respectively. good, better and best are lemmatized to good, good and good respect

from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer() print(lemmatizer.lemmatize("better"))#, pos="a")) print(lemmatizer.lemmatize("better", pos="a"))

my red blue socks prettiest socks country no other red blue socks prettier nation

my red blue socks pretty socks country no other red blue socks pretty country

Lemmatization and Stemming

- Lemmatization is closely related to stemming. The difference is that a stemmer operates on a single word without knowledge of the context, and therefore cannot discriminate between words which have different meanings depending on part of speech. However, stemmers are typically easier to implement and run faster, and the reduced accuracy may not matter for some applications.
- A stemmer will return the stem of a word, which needn't be identical to the
 morphological root of the word. It usually sufficient that related words map to
 the same stem, even if the stem is not in itself a valid root, while in
 lemmatisation, it will return the dictionary form of a word, which must be a valid
 word.
- In lemmatisation, the part of speech of a word should be first determined and the normalisation rules will be different for different part of speech, while the stemmer operates on a single word without knowledge of the context, and therefore cannot discriminate between words which have different meanings depending on part of speech.

Statistical Features

Text data can also be quantified directly into numbers using several techniques described in this section:

- TF-IDF (Term Frequency Inverse Document Frequency)
- Count Features

$$w_{i,j} = tf_{i,j} \times \log\left(\frac{N}{df_i}\right)$$

 $tf_{i,j}$ = number of occurrences of i in j df_i = number of documents containing iN = total number of documents

