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#### **ABSTRACT**

Traditional disaster assessment of damage heavily relies on expensive GIS data, especially remote sensing image data. In recent years, social media has become a rich source of disaster information that may be useful in evaluating damage at a lower cost. Such information includes text (e.g. tweets) or images posted by eyewitnesses of disaster and emergency events such as earthquakes, typhoons, floods, tsunami etc. During the sudden onset of a critical situation, affected people resort to social media for a solution and therefore, post useful information (text and images) on Twitter that can be used for situational awareness and other humanitarian disaster response efforts, if processed timely and effectively. But the volume and velocity of tweets posted during crises today tend to be extremely high, making it hard for humanitarian organizations and professional emergency responders to process the information in a timely manner. In this project, we present an automated solution that identifies and matches the request(need) to their corresponding offer(supplies) for textual and imagery twitter data thereby accelerating the emergency relief efforts. This project stands useful for both the Government and Non-profit **Organizations** while undertaking Disaster Management and Relief coordination actions.

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#### CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

At times of natural and man-made disasters, social media platforms such as Twitter and Facebook are considered vital information sources that contain a variety of useful information such as reports of injured or dead people, infrastructure and utility damage, urgent needs of affected people, and missing or found people among others.

## 1.1 Motivation

Twitter has been extensively used as an active communication platform, especially during critical events such as earthquakes, floods, typhoons, etc. During the onset of such events, a variety of information is posted in real-time by affected people; by people who are in need of help (e.g., food, shelter, medical assistance, etc.) or by people who are willing to donate or offer volunteering services.

Moreover, humanitarian and formal crisis response organizations such as government agencies, public health care NGOs, and the military are tasked with responsibilities to save lives, reach people who are in need of help, etc. Situation-sensitive requirements arise during such events and formal disaster response agencies look for actionable and tactical information in real-time to effectively estimate the aftermath of a disaster, and to launch relief efforts accordingly.

At the same time, the volume and velocity of tweets posted during the crisis currently are extremely high, making it difficult for professional emergency responders to process information in a timely manner. This issue acts as one motivating factor and is resolved in this project by creating an automated tool for extraction, classification and matching of tweets.

Apart from this, another major motivation for our project is the usage of a variety of twitter data such as text, images and videos to gain insight into an event. Although many automated systems based on Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning have been developed in this field, majority of them focus primarily on analyzing the textual content, ignoring the rich information provided by the visual content. The proposed system addresses this limitation by introducing a real-time social media text and image processing pipeline to assist organizations carry out disaster response and management operations.

Our system acts as a viable tool that matches the requests(need) to the corresponding offers(demand) in the tweets by prioritizing the similar requests based on the severity of the damage observed in the image. A typical request message involves an entity (person or organization) describing the scarcity of a certain resource or service (e.g., clothing, volunteering) and/or asking others to supply said resource. A typical offer involves an entity describing the availability and/or willingness to supply a resource.

An example scenario for request-offer mapping is illustrated in the Figure 1.1 in the form of **use-case** info graphics:

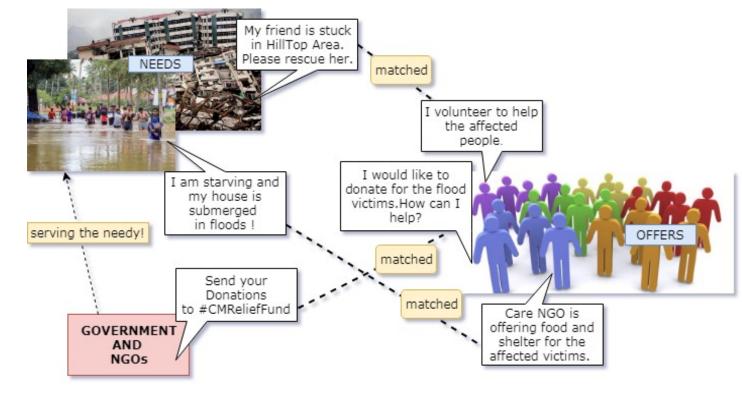


FIGURE 1.1: Use-case Diagram For Request-Offer Matching

The rest of the thesis is organized as follows. The next Chapter presents the detailed Literature Survey of related works followed by Chapter 3 wherein the Problem Statement of the project is stated. Next, the proposed system methodologies, the algorithm and techniques used for the implementation of individual modules are explained in Chapter 4. The results and observations are discussed in Chapter 5. Finally, the conclusion and future work of the project is proposed in Chapter 6.

#### CHAPTER 2

## LITERATURE SURVEY

In this chapter, a detailed description of similar and related works, the methodology used in their work, an analysis of their results and limitations are discussed.

## 2.1 Related Work

# 2.1.1 Twitter as a Lifeline: Human-annotated Twitter Corpora for NLP of Crisis-related Messages

In Imran M et al.[11], a human-annotated Twitter corpora collected during 19 different crises that took place between 2013 and 2015 is presented. This human annotations done by volunteers and crowd-sourced workers are of two types. First, the tweets are annotated with a set of categories such as displaced people, financial needs, infrastructure, etc. Second, the tweets are annotated to identify out-of-vocabulary(OOV) terms such as slangs, place names, abbreviations, misspellings, etc. and their corrected normalized forms. This human-annotations is further used to built machine-learning classifiers such as Naive Bayes, Random Forest, and Support Vector Machines (SVM), in a multiclass classification setting, to classify messages that are useful for humanitarian efforts. Also, word2vec word embeddings trained using 52 million crisis-related messages has been furnished.

The system categorizes the data into following categories:

- Request—Disaster victims and humanitarian organizations requesting for help
- Offer—NGOs and relief measure organizations ready to offer their help
- Other useful information—Other useful information that helps understand the situation such as
  - Injured or dead people—Reports of casualties and/or injured people due to the crisis
  - Missing, trapped, or found people—Reports and/or questions about missing or found people
  - Displaced people and evacuations—People who have relocated due to the crisis, even for a short time (includes evacuations)
  - Infrastructure and utilities damage—Reports of damaged buildings,
     roads, bridges, or utilities/services interrupted or restored
  - Caution and advice—Reports of warnings issued or lifted, guidance and tips
  - Sympathy and emotional support—Prayers, thoughts, and emotional support

The three different kinds of classifiers are trained using the preprocessed data and the evaluation is done using the 10-folds cross-validation technique. The classification results is calculated in terms of Area Under ROC Curve for selected datasets across all classes using Support Vector Machines (SVM), Naive Bayes (NB), and Random Forest (RF) and are tabulated as shown in Figure 2.1.

| Datasets        | Classifier | Caution<br>and<br>advice | Displaced<br>people and<br>evaluations | Donation<br>needs or<br>offers | Infrastructure<br>and utilities<br>damage | Injured or dead people | Missing trapped or found people | Sympathy<br>emotional<br>support | Other useful information | Not related or irrelevant |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
|                 | Size(%)    | 15%                      | 2.80%                                  | 0.76%                          | 1.70%                                     | 5.60%                  | 0.54%                           | 25%                              | 30%                      | 19%                       |
| 2014 Chile      | SVM        | 0.87                     | 0.89                                   | 0.57                           | 0.90                                      | 0.97                   | 0.23                            | 0.93                             | 0.86                     | 0.93                      |
| earthquake      | NB         | 0.86                     | 0.93                                   | 0.78                           | 0.88                                      | 0.97                   | 0.64                            | 0.93                             | 0.87                     | 0.95                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.83                     | 0.86                                   | 0.67                           | 0.74                                      | 0.96                   | 0.46                            | 0.94                             | 0.86                     | 0.92                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 2.10%                    | 3.10%                                  | 28%                            | 4.50%                                     | 11%                    | 5.80%                           | 17%                              | 22%                      | 6.50%                     |
| 2015 Nepal      | SVM        | 0.47                     | 0.80                                   | 0.89                           | 0.85                                      | 0.95                   | 0.86                            | 0.88                             | 0.76                     | 0.75                      |
| earthquake      | NB         | 0.68                     | 0.82                                   | 0.91                           | 0.90                                      | 0.95                   | 0.89                            | 0.91                             | 0.79                     | 0.84                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.56                     | 0.73                                   | 0.89                           | 0.74                                      | 0.94                   | 0.87                            | 0.89                             | 0.76                     | 0.75                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 6.30%                    | 0.82%                                  | 15%                            | 2%  | 17%                    | 0.49%                           | 5.60%                            | 35%                      | 18%                       |
| 2013 Pakistan   | SVM        | 0.77                     | 0.80                                   | 0.92                           | 0.76                                      | 0.95                   | 0.63                            | 0.82                             | 0.84                     | 0.84                      |
| earthquake      | NB         | 0.82                     | 0.87                                   | 0.94                           | 0.91                                      | 0.93                   | 0.74                            | 0.83                             | 0.84                     | 0.84                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.68                     | 0.70                                   | 0.92                           | 0.77                                      | 0.95                   | 0.69                            | 0.78                             | 0.88                     | 0.83                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 7%                       | 3.10%                                  | 17%                            | 11%                                       | 7.20%                  | 1.30%                           | 5%                               | 25%                      | 24%                       |
| 2015 Cyclone    | SVM        | 0.76                     | 0.80                                   | 0.92                           | 0.85                                      | 0.95                   | 0.39                            | 0.66                             | 0.77                     | 0.90                      |
| Pam             | NB         | 0.79                     | 0.82                                   | 0.92                           | 0.86                                      | 0.97                   | 0.56                            | 0.79                             | 0.80                     | 0.94                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.68                     | 0.80                                   | 0.90                           | 0.80                                      | 0.95                   | 0.47                            | 0.71                             | 0.79                     | 0.92                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 20%                      | 6.60%                                  | 5.50%                          | 5.10%                                     | 3%                     | 0.58%                           | 13%                              | 33%                      | 13%                       |
| 2014 Typhoon    | SVM        | 0.74                     | 0.95                                   | 0.88                           | 0.76                                      | 0.94                   | 0.44                            | 0.92                             | 0.74                     | 0.81                      |
| Hagupit         | NB         | 0.75                     | 0.96                                   | 0.89                           | 0.82                                      | 0.96                   | 0.57                            | 0.92                             | 0.78                     | 0.81                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.71                     | 0.97                                   | 0.84                           | 0.73                                      | 0.94                   | 0.58                            | 0.91                             | 0.75                     | 0.80                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 3.60%                    | 1.40%                                  | 2.60%                          | 4.30%                                     | 47%                    | 0.87%                           | 1.30%                            | 14%                      | 25%                       |
| 2014 India      | SVM        | 0.82                     | 0.80                                   | 0.92                           | 0.92                                      | 0.97                   | 0.66                            | 0.63                             | 0.87                     | 0.97                      |
| floods          | NB         | 0.89                     | 0.92                                   | 0.93                           | 0.90                                      | 0.93                   | 0.79                            | 0.83                             | 0.89                     | 0.98                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.83                     | 0.79                                   | 0.86                           | 0.87                                      | 0.97                   | 0.66                            | 0.65                             | 0.91                     | 0.96                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 3.90%                    | 6.20%                                  | 25%                            | 5.40%                                     | 13%                    | 6.40%                           | 6%                               | 32%                      | 2.30%                     |
| 2014 Pakistan   | SVM        | 0.71                     | 0.84                                   | 0.82                           | 0.77                                      | 0.94                   | 0.85                            | 0.88                             | 0.74                     | 0.47                      |
| floods          | NB         | 0.83                     | 0.80                                   | 0.85                           | 0.79                                      | 0.94                   | 0.85                            | 0.89                             | 0.77                     | 0.65                      |
|                 | RF         | 0.72                     | 0.80                                   | 0.87                           | 0.78                                      | 0.95                   | 0.84                            | 0.86                             | 0.79                     | 0.59                      |
|                 | Size(%)    | 6.30%                    | 0.48%                                  | 4.30%                          | 18%                                       | 10%                    | 0.51%                           | 4.10%                            | 47%                      | 9.40%                     |
| 2014 California | SVM        | 0.84                     | 0.54                                   | 0.93                           | 0.88                                      | 0.97                   | 0.62                            | 0.84                             | 0.77                     | 0.72                      |
| earthquake      | NB         | 0.88                     | 0.57                                   | 0.94                           | 0.86                                      | 0.97                   | 0.79                            | 0.90                             | 0.78                     | 0.77                      |
| -               | RF         | 0.81                     | 0.49                                   | 0.87                           | 0.89                                      | 0.98                   | 0.57                            | 0.88                             | 0.81                     | 0.77                      |

FIGURE 2.1: Classification results in terms of Area Under ROC Curve using Support Vector Machines (SVM), Naive Bayes (NB), and Random Forest (RF).

Source: [11]

# 2.1.2 A Twitter Tale of Three Hurricanes: Harvey, Irma, and Maria

In Alam F et al. [2], an extensive multidimensional analysis of textual and multimedia content is conducted from millions of tweets shared on Twitter data collected during the three disasters, namely Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria. The objective of this paper includes the following tasks: It performs sentiment analysis to determine how peoples' thoughts and feelings change over time as disaster events progress. It employs topic modeling techniques to gain insight into the different topics discussed during each day in order to help concerned

authorities to quickly sift through big crisis data. It classifies both textual and imagery content into several humanitarian categories as mentioned in [11]. The data collected from CrisisNLP repository[11] is made use for the analysis.

To perform the sentiment analysis, it makes use of the Stanford sentiment analysis classifier that classifies the text into 5 categorical labels such as Very Negative, Negative, Neutral, Positive and Very Positive. The accuracy of the classifier for fine-grained sentiment labels is 80.7%. The classification of humanitarian categories are performed using a decision tree based learning scheme known as Random Forest. The performance obtained using the test set in terms of the F-measure is F1 = 0.64 and accuracy of 0.66.

The topic modelling is evaluated using LDA (Latent Drichlet Allocation) method to obtain the top 30 frequently used terms. Standford NER tagger is used for the identification of most mentioned named entities that helps in discovering important stories related to actual local emergency needs. The reported F-measure of this NER system is 86.72% to 92.28% for different datasets.

The images are classified as severe, mild and none and are trained based on the human annotated ground truth values using their relevancy filtering model. The overall accuracy of the resulting damage assessment models varied from 76% to 90%.

The major limitation of this work is that it is semi-automated and requires human in the loop for machine training. Further, it does not address the scalability issues that arise owing to the volume of data being processed.

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# 2.1.3 Damage Assessment from Social Media Imagery Data During Disasters

In Nguyen D T et al.[5], determination of the level of destruction caused by the disasters has been performed. In this study, labeled data from past disaster events as well as data collected from the Web have been leveraged. These data resources are further annotated using the Crowdflower (Crowdsourcing platform) based on fixed guidelines. For damage assessment, three levels namely: severe damage, mild damage, and little-to-no damage are taken into consideration. This work employs both traditional vision techniques such computer as Bag-of-Visual-Words (BoVW) model as well as state-of-the-art deep learning techniques such as Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) to assess the level of destruction in disaster images.

The event specific experiments using the three learning techniques (i.e.BoVW, VGG16-fc7, and VGG16-fine-tuned) are evaluated in terms of precision, recall, F1 score and overall accuracy as shown in Figure 2.2. The experimental analysis of this work shows that domain-specific fine-tuning of deep CNNs outperforms the traditional BoVW models by a considerable margin. However, there are two main challenges, i.e. low prevalence of the training data and non-trivial human-labeling tasks in this work.

|                  | Nepal Earthquake |                   |        |      |      | Ecuador Ear | rthquake |      |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------|------|------|-------------|----------|------|
|                  | Acc.             | Precision         | Recall | F1   | Acc. | Precision   | Recall   | F1   |
| BoVW             | 0.78             | 0.77              | 0.78   | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.81        | 0.82     | 0.81 |
| VGG16-fc7        | 0.76             | 0.76              | 0.76   | 0.76 | 0.82 | 0.82        | 0.82     | 0.82 |
| VGG16-fine-tuned | 0.84             | 0.82              | 0.84   | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.86        | 0.87     | 0.86 |
|                  |                  | Hurricane Matthew |        |      |      | Typhoon     | Ruby     |      |
|                  | Acc.             | Precision         | Recall | F1   | Acc. | Precision   | Recall   | F1   |
| BoVW             | 0.64             | 0.64              | 0.66   | 0.64 | 0.73 | 0.74        | 0.73     | 0.72 |
| VGG16-fc7        | 0.63             | 0.63              | 0.64   | 0.63 | 0.79 | 0.80        | 0.80     | 0.80 |
| VGG16-fine-tuned | 0.74             | 0.73              | 0.74   | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.80        | 0.81     | 0.80 |
|                  |                  | Google I          | mage   |      |      |             |          |      |
|                  | Acc.             | Precision         | Recall | F1   |      |             |          |      |
| BoVW             | 0.57             | 0.53              | 0.56   | 0.54 |      |             |          |      |
| VGG16-fc7        | 0.60             | 0.63              | 0.64   | 0.63 |      |             |          |      |
| VGG16-fine-tuned | 0.67             | 0.67              | 0.67   | 0.67 | _    |             |          |      |

FIGURE 2.2: Event-specific results for all events in terms of precision, recall, f1 score, and overall accuracy using three different learning schemes.

Source:[5]

# 2.1.4 Aid is Out There: Looking for Help from Tweets during a Large Scale Disaster

In Varga I et al.[3], a method for discovering matches between problem reports and aid messages is proposed. Their system contributes to problem-solving in a large scale disaster situation by facilitating communication between victims and humanitarian organizations. A machine learning based system is developed to recognize problem reports, aid messages and problem-aid tweet matches.

First, location names in tweets are identified by matching tweets against their location dictionary. Then, each tweet is paired with each dependency relation in the tweet, which is referred to as the nuclei and given to the problem report and aid message recognizer. A tweet-nucleus-candidate pair judged as problem report

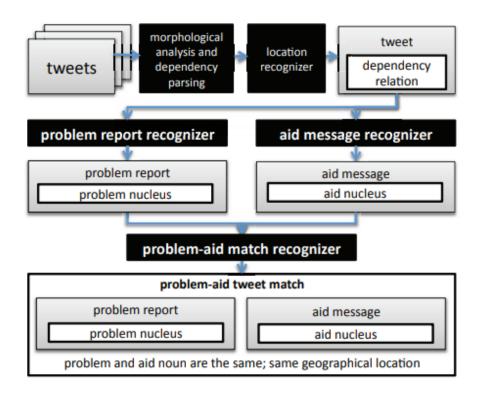


FIGURE 2.3: Problem-aid matching system overview. Source:[3]

is combined with another tweet-nucleus-candidate pair recognized as an aid message if the two nuclei share the same noun and the tweets share the same location name. In this work, it does not employ structural characteristics of tweets as restrictions (e.g. a problem report and its aid message need to be in the same tweet chain).

# 2.1.5 CrisisMMD: Multimodal Twitter Datasets from Natural Disasters

In Alam F et al.[4], human-labeled multimodal datasets collected from Twitter during seven recent natural disasters including earthquakes, hurricanes, wildfires, and floods is presented. The tweets that do not contain at least one image URL is

filtered out. The data is further annotated by paid workers from a well-known crowdsourcing platform based on three humanitarian tasks. The first task aims to categorize the data into two high-level categories called Informative or Not informative. The second task, on the other hand, aims to identify critical and potentially actionable information such as reports of injured or dead people, infrastructure damage, etc. from the tweets. For this purpose, seven humanitarian categories is used. The final task aims at assessing the severity of damage shown in the images. The severity of damage is based on the extent of physical First the task one is executed by human destruction to a build-structure. annotators, and only the informative tweets are passed to task two. In second task, the images are annotated manually and only those included in the 'infrastructure and utility damage' category are given to task three. In task three, the images are classified as severe, mild and no damage categories. The labelled dataset is available as CrisisMMD which is published at the CrisisNLP site. The major limitation of this work is that it is semi-automated and requires human annotators.

# 2.1.6 Rapid Classification of Crisis-Related Data on Social Networks using Convolutional Neural Networks

In Nyugen D T et al.[9], neural network based classification methods for binary and multi-class tweet classification task is presented. Data from use data from multiple sources: (1) CrisisNLP, (2) CrisisLex, and (3) AIDR is used. The data is preprocessed and the tweets are tokenized using the CMU TweetNLP tool. The unigram, bigram and trigram features are then extracted from the tweets as features. The features are converted to TF-IDF vectors by considering each tweet

| SYS                      | RF                    | LR       | SVM     | $CNN_I$ | $CNN_{II}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Nepal Earthquake         |                       |          |         |         |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event}$     | 82.70                 | 85.47    | 85.34   | 86.89   | 85.71      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{out}$       | 74.63                 | 78.58    | 78.93   | 81.14   | 78.72      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $B_{event+out}$          | 81.92                 | 82.68    | 83.62   | 84.82   | 84.91      |  |  |  |  |  |
|                          | California Earthquake |          |         |         |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event}$     | 75.64                 | 79.57    | 78.95   | 81.21   | 78.82      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{out}$       | 56.12                 | 50.37    | 50.83   | 62.08   | 68.82      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event+out}$ | 77.34                 | 75.50    | 74.67   | 78.32   | 79.75      |  |  |  |  |  |
|                          | Т                     | yphoon I | Hagupit |         |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event}$     | 82.05                 | 82.36    | 78.08   | 87.83   | 90.17      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{out}$       | 73.89                 | 71.14    | 71.86   | 82.35   | 84.48      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event+out}$ | 78.37                 | 75.90    | 77.64   | 85.84   | 87.71      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cyclone PAM              |                       |          |         |         |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event}$     | 90.26                 | 90.64    | 90.82   | 94.17   | 93.11      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{out}$       | 80.24                 | 79.22    | 80.83   | 85.62   | 87.48      |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{B}_{event+out}$ | 89.38                 | 90.61    | 90.74   | 92.64   | 91.20      |  |  |  |  |  |

FIGURE 2.4: Performance Comparison based on AUC. Source:[9]

as a document. These features are used by the non-neural models. Some of non-neural existing models including: (i) Support Vector Machine (SVM), (ii) Logistic Regression (LR), and (iii) Random Forest (RF) are experimented with for comparision.

A CNN model is trained by optimizing the cross entropy and maximum number of epochs as 25. Various dropout rates and minibatch sizes are experimented with and rectified linear units (ReLU) is used for the activation function. The CNN model is initialized using two types of pretrained word embeddings. (i) Crisis Embeddings (CNN1): trained on all crisis tweets data (ii) Google Embeddings (CNN2) trained on the Google News dataset.

The results of classification by several non-neural classifiers is compared with the CNN based classifier using the AUC (Area under the ROC) score. CNN outperforms the traditional non-neural methods. The drawback in this work is that CNN does not consider the semantic relatedness of a tweet under several classes which brings inconsistency in labeling.

#### CHAPTER 3

## PROBLEM STATEMENT

The proposed system takes real-time twitter data and maps the request tweets to their corresponding offer tweets by taking both the text and image into consideration.

# 3.1 Input

Real-time social media data containing either only text or both text and image.



FIGURE 3.1: Tweets containing textual contents only. Source: https://twitter.com/

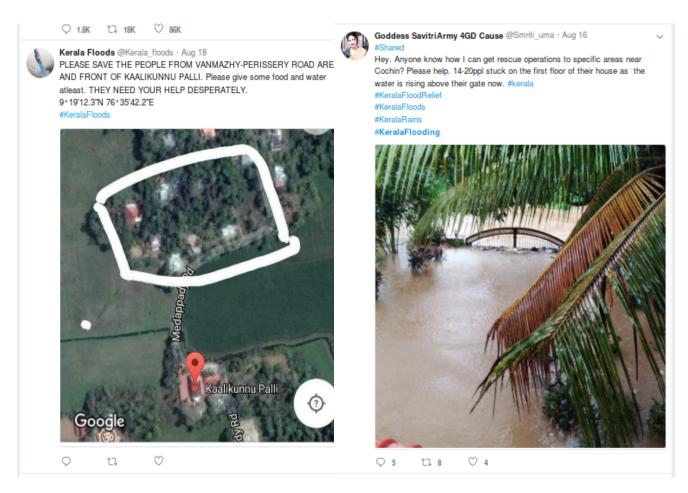


FIGURE 3.2: Tweets containing both text and image. Source:https://twitter.com/

# 3.2 Output

Matched (request,offer) pairs based on requirements and severity of the damage that helps in relief operations

# 3.3 Use Case

The proposed system can be employed to assist the government and humanitarian organizations to launch relief operations immediately in disaster-hit regions.

#### **CHAPTER 4**

# PROPOSED SYSTEM METHODOLOGY

The proposed system aims at multimodal analysis for disaster management which involves analysis of both text and image from social media in order to help the government as well as humanitarian organizations to perform relief operations immediately.

The pipeline of the system consists of 4 phases: Collection, Classification, Prioritization and Matching.

The proposed system architecture is illustrated in Fig 4.1.

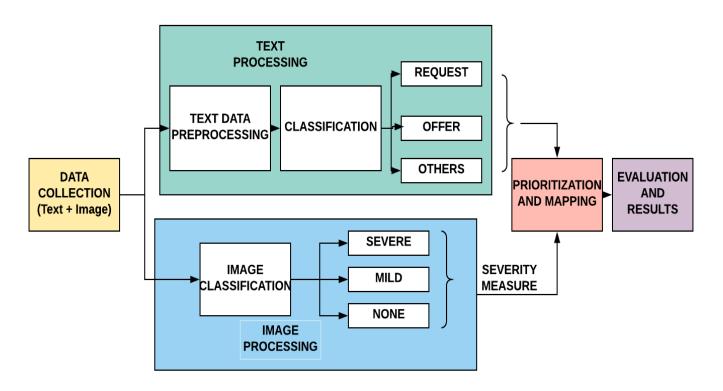


FIGURE 4.1: Proposed System Architecture

```
Result: matched_tweets
while true do
    hashtag = trending\_hashtags(APIcredentials, location);
    if check(hashtag) /* Disaster based hashtag */ then
          tweets = extract\_tweets(APIcredentials, hashtag);
         tweets = preprocess(tweets);
         for t \leftarrowtweets do
               if contains(t,onlytext) then
                    class\_label \leftarrow classify\_text(t);
               else
                   /* contains both text and image */
                   class\_label \leftarrow classify\_text(t);
                    priority *_{\leftarrow} classify\_image(t);
               end
          end
         matching \leftarrow match(request, offer)
    else
          continue;
    end
end
*Priority is computed only for the request tweets.
```

Algorithm 1: Proposed System Algorithm

# 4.1 Data Collection

The Collection phase includes real-time extraction and analysis of both textual and imagery tweets that are relevant to a particular ongoing disastrous event. The live tweets pertaining to disasters are fetched based on hashtag. The **Tweepy** API is imported for retrieval of twitter data. Tweepy is open-sourced, hosted on

GitHub and enables Python to communicate with Twitter platform. The flowchart for live tweets extraction is shown in Fig 4.2.

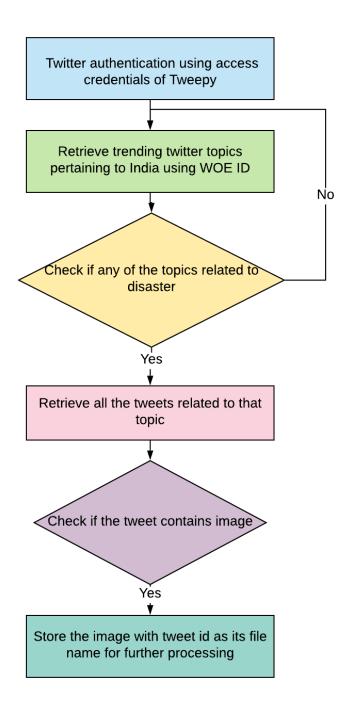


FIGURE 4.2: Flowchart Depicting Live Tweet Extraction

The stepwise implementation of the algorithm is stated as follows:

- 1. The necessary headers like tweepy, json, csv are imported.
- 2. The tweet access is authenticated by providing the consumer\_key, consumer\_secret, access\_token, access\_token\_secret of the registered twitter user.
- 3. The trending hashtags of India is collected by providing its WOE\_ID i.e. Where On Earth Identifier.
- 4. The list of hashtags are analysed for the presence of a disaster using keywords like avalanche, volcano, earthquake, disaster, tsunami, tornado, drought, storm, flood, tremor.
- 5. If a disaster is found, the corresponding tweets (both text and image) are extracted by specifying the hashtag. The images are detected using media URL stored with tweet ids as filename.

#### **Algorithm 2:** Live Tweets Extraction

This collected data is given as input to next module.

## 4.1.1 Data Pre-Processing

The stored tweets in the previous module are then preprocessed. Several preprocessing tasks were performed on the input data using the tweet preprocessor API.

The tweet text were converted to uniform lower case characters. The URLs, SMILEYs/EMOJIs and USER MENTIONS (@) were cleaned off from the text.

Repetition of tweets were avoided using by removing retweets (RT). The word from hashtags were retained by the removing the '#' prefix from #word.

The HTMLParser module was used to parse the text file formatted in HTML and XHTML which includes changing of escape sequences like & Description of the tweet texts were normalised changing the short forms like 're, 'nt, 've to are, not, have, etc.

Finally, the non-ascii and special characters were removing from the text. This preprocessed text is provided as input for the LSTM module for text classification as specified in the forthcoming section.

### 4.2 Classification

In this module, the text classification is performed using LSTM model and the image classification is done using Convolutional Neural Network.

## **4.2.1** Text Classification Using LSTM

The Text Classification phase segregates the extracted data into three categories namely:

- Request—Disaster victims and humanitarian organizations requesting for help
- Offer—NGOs and relief measure organizations ready to offer their help
- None The tweet is neither a request nor an offer.

#### **4.2.1.1** Dataset

The dataset for training was obtained from a resource published by Quatar Computing Research Institute(QCRI) group called CRISISNLP under the title Human-annotated Twitter Corpora for NLP of Crisis-related Messages[11].

This dataset[11] contains human annotated data for 10 different disasters that

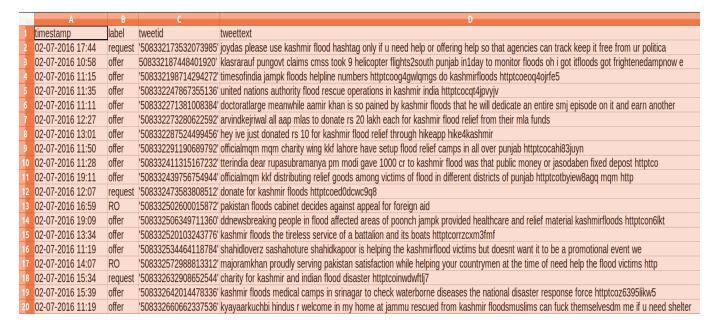


FIGURE 4.3: Sample text dataset

took place between 2013 and 2015 having more than 2000 labelled tweets each created by crowdsource workers. It was created for the purpose of classifying disaster data using machine learning classifiers like SVM, Random forest(RF), Naive Bayes(NB).

It classified the data into 9 categories:

- 1. Injured or dead people
- 2. Missing, trapped, or found people
- 3. Displaced people and evacuations
- 4. Infrastructure and utilities damage

- 5. Donation needs or offers or volunteering services
- 6. Caution and advice
- 7. Sympathy and emotional support
- 8. Other useful information
- 9. Not related or irrelevant

Out of these nine categories, 'Donation needs or offers or volunteering services' alone were scrapped out for our purpose.

In order to handle sequential data, recurrent neural network (RNN) is implemented here. Due to the problem of vanishing gradients, Long Short Term Memory(LSTM) model is constructed. Around 6000 human annotated request and offer tweets were utilized to build and test the model. 80% of the dataset was used for training (precisely 4425 tweets) and the remaining 20% for testing.

### **4.2.1.2** Text Classification Model Architecture using LSTM (Variation 1)

An initial LSTM architecture model was built as shown in Fig 4.4 with a one embedding Layer followed by a uni-directional LSTM layer and then a fully connected Dense layer.

### **4.2.1.3** Text Classification Model Architecture using LSTM (Variation 2)

The performance of the initial model was improved by making the certain changes to the architecture. These changes are tabulated in Table 4.1.

This improved model contains an intial pretrained glove embedding layer, two stacked bidirectional LSTM layers followed by a dense fully connected layer. The model plot of our LSTM model II is illustrated as shown in Fig.4.5.

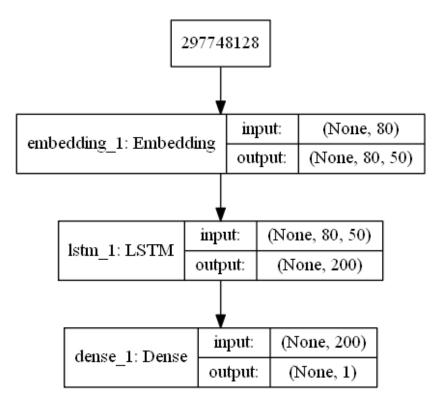


FIGURE 4.4: Text Classification Model Architecture using LSTM (Variation 1)

TABLE 4.1: Improvement in the LSTM model

|                 | VARIATION 1                       | VARIATION 2                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1.Preprocessing | Basic text preprocessing          | Improved preprocessing using      |
|                 |                                   | tweet preprocessor package.       |
| 2.Vocabulary    | Fixed as a constant value-20000   | Set as the number of unique words |
| Size            |                                   | in the vocabulary                 |
| 3.Embedding     | A seperate layer for creating the | Word vectors are created          |
|                 | word embeddings                   | using PRETRAINED GLOVE            |
|                 |                                   | EMBEDDINGS                        |
| 4.Padding       | A constant padding length as 50   | Fixed as the maximum number of    |
|                 | was set.                          | words appearing in a tweet in the |
|                 |                                   | dataset(=30).                     |
| 5.LSTM          | Single layer Unidirectional LSTM  | stacked Bidirectional LSTM        |
|                 | - Learning from past to future    |                                   |

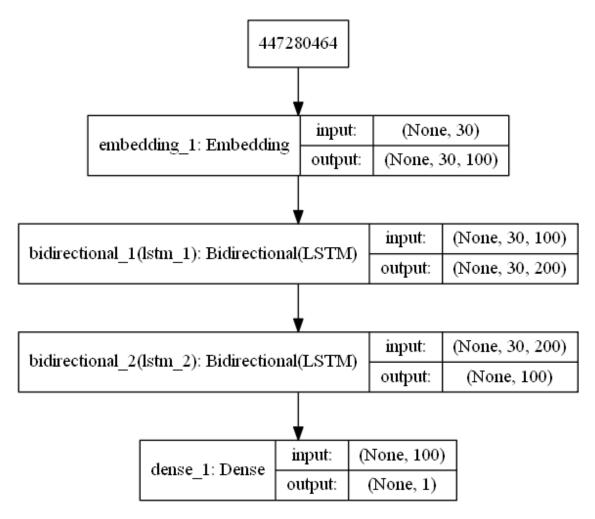


FIGURE 4.5: Text Classification Model Architecture using LSTM (Variation 2)

# **4.2.2** Image Classification Using CNN

The image classification phase classifies the input image into three categories, providing insight into the gravity of the damage inflicted by the disaster. The three classes are: 1. Mild, 2. Severe, 3. None

#### **4.2.2.1** Dataset

The dataset for training the images for classifying as Severe, Mild or None was obtained from a resource cited in Damage Assessment from Social Media

Imagery data During Disasters. This dataset[2] is developed for the purpose of

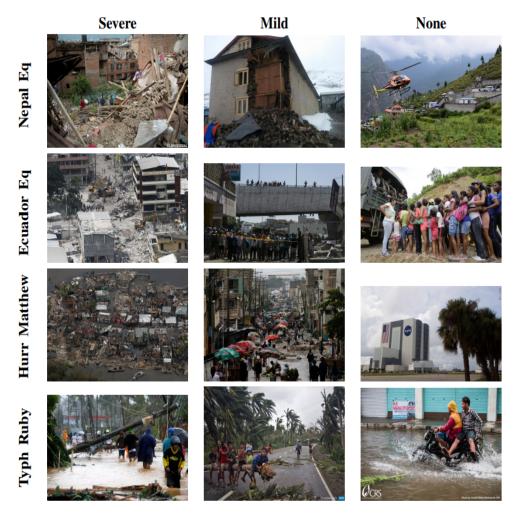


FIGURE 4.6: Image Dataset Sample

assessing the damage during disasters using social media images collected during 4 natural disasters like Typhoon Ruby(2014), Nepal Earthquake(2015), Eucador Earthquake(2016), Hurricane Mathew(2016) and google images. The infrastructure and utility damage images(relevant) are classified as severe, mild or little or no damage categories. It has a total of 25820 such images. The image dataset comprises of 19703 images out of which 15258 images were used for training and the remaining 3815 images were used for testing i.e. 80% training data and 20% testing data.

#### 4.2.2.2 Initial model

The input images were resized to a common, fixed size (224x224). An initial basic CNN model was designed with two layers of convolution. The architectural summary of this model is shown in Figure 4.7.

| Layer (type)                            | Output | Shape         | Param #  |
|---|--------|---------------|----------|
| conv2d_1 (Conv2D)                       | (None, | 222, 222, 32) | 896      |
| activation_1 (Activation)               | (None, | 222, 222, 32) | 0        |
| conv2d_2 (Conv2D)                       | (None, | 220, 220, 32) | 9248     |
| activation_2 (Activation)               | (None, | 220, 220, 32) | 0        |
| <pre>max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2</pre> | (None, | 110, 110, 32) | 0        |
| dropout_1 (Dropout)                     | (None, | 110, 110, 32) | 0        |
| flatten_1 (Flatten)                     | (None, | 387200)       | 0        |
| dense_1 (Dense)                         | (None, | 128)          | 49561728 |
| activation_3 (Activation)               | (None, | 128)          | 0        |
| dropout_2 (Dropout)                     | (None, | 128)          | 0        |
| dense_2 (Dense)                         | (None, | 3)            | 387      |
| activation_4 (Activation)               | (None, | 3)            | 0        |

Total params: 49,572,259 Trainable params: 49,572,259 Non-trainable params: 0

FIGURE 4.7: Image Classification Model Architecture using CNN

In an attempt to improve the performance of the model, an alternate pre-trained VGG-16 model was fine tuned using transfer learning technique.

#### 4.2.2.3 Transfer learning using VGG-16

CNNs are rarely trained from scratch for new datasets because state-of-the-art CNNs (i) are getting deeper everyday, and (ii) require larger datasets to train on. However, collecting large datasets for the particular problem at hand is usually hard in practice (as in the current study). Therefore, it is common to devise new techniques based on pre-trained networks.

A popular approach is to use the existing weights of a pre-trained CNN as an initialization for the new dataset, which is often referred to as fine-tuning. In this transfer-learning approach, the last layer of the network is adapted to the task at hand (i.e., number of categories in the softmax layer and sometimes even the loss function) and the pre-trained network is fine-tuned according to the training images from the new dataset. This approach allows us to transfer the features and the parameters of the network from the broad domain (i.e., large scale image classification) to the specific one (i.e., disaster image analysis).

We adapted the VGG-16 network pre-trained on the ImageNet dataset to classify the images in our disaster image dataset into one of the three damage categories namely severe, mild, and none. The VGG-16 network trained on the ImageNet dataset using over 1.2M images and 1000 categories. The VGG-16 network consists of 16 layers and around 140 million weight parameters.

The weights until the block5\_pool layer were retained and these layers were flagged False for training. A Flatten layer followed by two dense fully connected layers were added and finally a dense Softmax layer with three outputs was included. Features were computed by forward propagating a 224224 RGB image through thirteen convolutional, five max pooling layer, two fully connected dense layers and finally the softmax layer.

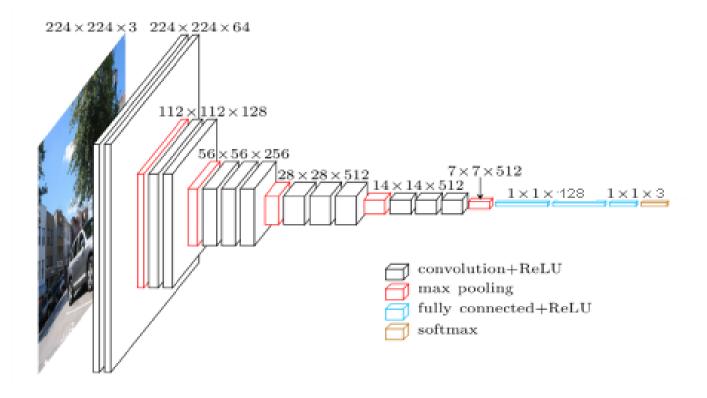


FIGURE 4.8: Architecture Diagram of Modified VGG-16 Source:https://www.cs.toronto.edu/ frossard/post/vgg16/

The Image classification model architecture using CNN is shown in Fig.4.8. The Architectural summary of the model is given in Fig. 4.9.

| Layer (type)               | Output Shape          | Param # |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| input_1 (InputLayer)       | (None, 224, 224, 3)   | 0       |
| block1_conv1 (Conv2D)      | (None, 224, 224, 64)  | 1792    |
| block1_conv2 (Conv2D)      | (None, 224, 224, 64)  | 36928   |
| block1_pool (MaxPooling2D) | (None, 112, 112, 64)  | 0       |
| block2_conv1 (Conv2D)      | (None, 112, 112, 128) | 73856   |
| block2_conv2 (Conv2D)      | (None, 112, 112, 128) | 147584  |
| block2_pool (MaxPooling2D) | (None, 56, 56, 128)   | 0       |
| block3_conv1 (Conv2D)      | (None, 56, 56, 256)   | 295168  |
| block3_conv2 (Conv2D)      | (None, 56, 56, 256)   | 590080  |
| block3_conv3 (Conv2D)      | (None, 56, 56, 256)   | 590080  |
| block3_pool (MaxPooling2D) | (None, 28, 28, 256)   | 0       |
| block4_conv1 (Conv2D)      | (None, 28, 28, 512)   | 1180160 |
| block4_conv2 (Conv2D)      | (None, 28, 28, 512)   | 2359808 |
| block4_conv3 (Conv2D)      | (None, 28, 28, 512)   | 2359808 |
| block4_pool (MaxPooling2D) | (None, 14, 14, 512)   | 0       |
| block5_conv1 (Conv2D)      | (None, 14, 14, 512)   | 2359808 |
| block5_conv2 (Conv2D)      | (None, 14, 14, 512)   | 2359808 |
| block5_conv3 (Conv2D)      | (None, 14, 14, 512)   | 2359808 |
| block5_pool (MaxPooling2D) | (None, 7, 7, 512)     | 0       |
| flatten (Flatten)          | (None, 25088)         | 0       |
| fc1 (Dense)                | (None, 128)           | 3211392 |
| fc2 (Dense)                | (None, 128)           | 16512   |
| output (Dense)             | (None, 3)             | 387     |

Total params: 17,942,979 Trainable params: 3,228,291 Non-trainable params: 14,714,688

FIGURE 4.9: Image Classification Model Architecture using Modified VGG-16

## 4.3 Matching Request To Offer

The tweets and severity measure obtained as the result of the previous text and image classification modules respectively, along with the predicted label are fed as input to this module. The severity measure of image associated with requests are used for prioritization. The mapping is done one offer to one request and one offer to many requests.

## 4.3.1 One to One Mapping

The algorithm of the one to one matching process is illustrated as shown:

```
Input: requests, offers, image_severity
Output: matched_tweets
maxm = threshold_value
for o \leftarrow offers do
    for r \leftarrow requests do
         measure = similarity(r,o);
         if measure ≥maxm then
              if abs(measure-maxm) < 0.01 then
                   matched\_request \leftarrow max\_severity(r, o);
              else
                  no updation of matched request;
              end
         else
              continue;
         end
    end
    display(matched_request,o);
    remove_from_list(matched_request);
end
```

**Algorithm 3:** One to One Matching Algorithm

## 4.3.2 One to Many Mapping

Since there could arise a situation wherein a single offer can satisfy multiple requests, one offer to many requests mapping is performed. This mapping is done by considering top five most similar request for the current offer tweet based on similarity measure. These are further sorted based on the severity measure of the images. This prioritizes similar tweets.

```
Input: requests, offers, image_severity

Output: matched_tweets

maxm = threshold_value

for o ← offers do

for r ← requests do

measure = similarity(r,o);

if measure ≥ maxm then

request_list ← r

end

top_5 = sort_desc(request_list, measure);

matched_request = prioritize(top_5, image_severity);

end

display(matched_request,o);

end
```

Algorithm 4: One to Many Matching Algorithm

#### CHAPTER 5

#### **IMPLEMENTATION RESULTS**

In this section, the implementation results and their performance comparisons are presented in detail.

#### **5.1** Live Tweet Extraction

Since the system operates on real-time tweets posted on twitter by the authenticated user, the trending tweets are extracted based on geographic location specified by WOE\_ID i.e Where On Earth Identifier.

-----TRENDING TOPICS IN INDIA-----#SoulSoothingMusicByStMSG #AskKartik #DancePlus4Finale #MajesticVISWASAM25Days #SochHack Rishi Kumar Shukla the pantu series Alzarri Joseph NAVRANGI RE Mallikarjun Kharge ऋषि कुमार शुक्ता Newcastle Delhi-NCR Thakurnagar Dalai Lama Dance Plus 4 #TheVoiceTomorrow #MrLocal #CBIDirector #FabricOfTheFuture #TOTNEW #CHEHUD #LKGtrailer #BengalWithModi #earthquake #KarsevakMassacre #SmritiMandhana #சிறப்புச்சம்பவம்ஒன்று #designdekko #NonStopJumlaSarkar #BTSAtPVR #rupaypvl #HappyBirthdaySTR #AnandTeltumbde

FIGURE 5.1: Trending Hashtags In India

```
#25daysofViswasam
#XUV300
#laffaire2019
#Thalaivar166
#ModiInBengal
#RJBalaji
earthquake
**** A Disaster has occured !!! ****
2019-02-02 15:28:00 1091719893307793408 Witribe Internet Truly Unlimited (Residential)
Device Activation: Rs. 2999 (One Month Free Internet)
Monthly 1399*
3 Days Money Back Guarantee
Same Day Delivery
#PMHazirHai
#earthquake
#NA91
 #زردای_ڈاکو_نواز_<del>ہ</del>ور
#ArmanLuni
Indonesia
Shadab Khan
Phil
DAIGO
SONGS {'hashtags': [{'text': 'PMHazirHai', 'indices': [162, 173]}, {'text': 'earthquake', 'indices': [174, 185]}, {'text': 'NA91', 'indices': [186, 191]
2019-02-02 15:27:03 1091719655943598080 #Earthquake M 2.5 - 11km N of Willow, Alaska https://t.co/V5c0n2WXIV {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'ind'
2019-02-02 15:26:07 1091719420756586497 #earthquake #BharatSeLeinGeAzadi #17thYoungLeadersSummit زرداي_ڈاکو_نواز_جور #تعمىرملت# why you have to upskil
2019-02-02 15:25:36 1091719291739635712 00:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:21 1091719227646582784 12:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake {'hashtags': [{'text': 'Earthquake', 'indices': [4' 2019-02-02 15:25:03 Acceleation change of underground Iwate #Earthquake']
2019-02-02 15:24:14 1091718944791105537 Don't claim that your self made if I helped you throughout the way I was the oven nigga and @WORLDSTAR @Kollege
2019-02-02 15:24:00 1091718887408914433 #Earthquake (#sismo) M3.2 strikes 63 km SW of San Antonio (#Chile) 21 min ago. More info: https://t.co/KtqNdxfFl
2019-02-02 15:22:37 1091718540355387393 Check it out! uzair shah will create eve catching whiteboard animation an... for $10 on
```

FIGURE 5.2: Extracted Tweets During Disaster

These trending hashtags are analysed to check for the presence of a disaster as shown in Fig 5.2.

# **5.2** Data Preprocessing

| TIMESTAMP           | TWEET_ID           | TWEET_TEXT  |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| 2015-04-28 09:00:55 | 592976777447919616 | Please save thousands of survivals of Nepal Earthquake. They are foodless, shelter less, even they dont have http://t.co/e5L8Z4p4BL             |
| 2015-05-06 09:15:52 | 595879644127227904 | Nidan to distribute rice, dal and oil and other groceries and tents for temporary shelter to Nepal earthquake http://t.co/nS6hUc9qeV            |
|                     |                    | RT @NRaule: Last night, people are searching for tent, at BICC area. No foods, no water.  |
| 2015-04-27 16:28:52 | 592727118766862336 | #earthquake #Nepal http://t.co/6IMSqiQxTc   |
| 2015-04-26 15:50:25 | 592355054323019776 | RT @fullauri: can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from Sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in Nepal? #NepalQuake     |
|                     |                    | RT @DDNewsLive: Earthquake toll can reach 10,000; Crisis looms over #Nepal due to shortage of basic amenities                                   |
| 2015-04-29 15:47:23 | 593441455764410369 | Full Story: http://t.co/FFn4C   |
| 2015-04-28 06:31:32 | 592939185889214464 | Trying to restart our work with no telephone and no internet at the office after devastating earthquake on http://t.co/PS9U4vzXRg               |
| 2015-04-28 04:03:23 | 592901901479505920 | #Nepal #Earthquake day four. Slowly in the capital valley Internet and electricity beeing restored . A relief for at least some ones            |
| 2015-04-29 17:06:49 | 593461448497500162 | @KP24 Plz shout for help to the earthquake victims of Nepal. We need TENTS, lotts of TENTS. Homes demolished. Under empty sky as it rains       |
| 2015-04-26 09:25:59 | 592258310696501248 | RT @Kazi_Australia: * #News • World Vision flies in help to Nepal: TENTS, medicine and hygiene packs are being flown in by World http:          |
| 2015-04-28 16:00:58 | 593082485744881664 | Nepal earthquake: Death toll crosses 5000; shortage of food, medicine, shelter - Zee News http://t.co/DCCuzktiPZ                                |
|                     |                    | RT @ArtOfLivingUK: Nepal Earthquake Relief Update:  |
|                     |                    |   |
|                     | 593731671658090497 | The Art of Living volunteers continue offering food and medical supplies and http://  |
|                     | 593377453952913408 | PLEASE HELP NEPAL EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS AND SEND CLOTHES, FOOD , MEDICINES   |
| 2015-04-28 18:06:20 | 593114034611757056 | RT @GumberInsan: Earthquake in nepal. Plz snd food, clothes nd money to hlp people lik dera sacha sauda is doing http://t.co/uxxUclfvgM         |
|                     |                    | @tarsem_insan Dera Sacha Saudaने नेपाल और बिहार में भेजी राहत सामग्री   |
| 2015 05 01 02:11:42 | E020600E0E02064640 | Watch On YouTube-   |
|                     | 593960959582064640 | https://t.co/SC4V2gUnr1   |
|                     | 593712499595153408 | RT @unicefireland: Almost 1 million children need help in Nepal after the 7.8 earthquake. Please text 'CHILD' to 50300 to donate €4 now. ht     |
|                     | 594039536079908865 | नेपाल: भूकंप पीड़ित लूट रहे राहत सामगरी के ट्रक, 15 हजार के करीब मौतों की आशंका - Rajasthan #World http://t.co/poGcL0PFI7                       |
|                     | 592733327318188034 | RT @ashim888: "@JackWilshere: Children are in danger #Nepal earthquake, please support to provide urgent help - http://t.co/7kwiNfatZt PLS      |
|                     | 592946562277482497 | donate a dollar, nonperishable food, clothes, tents and raincoats. #Nepal #earthquake #quakeinnepal #prayfornepal https://t.co/leJrDs19xK       |
|                     | 593394771877433344 | RT @Manmeet_kaurMK: Bangla Saheb Gurudwara, Delhi is sending 25,000 food packages daily for the 'Nepal' earthquake victims. #RealLions http     |
|                     | 592751186152919042 | RT @janeintheworld: Nepal women's groups need funds for pregnant & mp; lactating mothers, sanitation, food, shelter. Please give http://t.co/CU |
|                     | 593715088348971008 | People are in need for tents everywhere, we are failing to meet their demands #frustrating# nepal earthquake #scatteredreliefwork               |
| 2015-04-26 15:50:25 | 592355054323019776 | RT @fullauri: can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from Sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in Nepal? #NepalQuake     |
|                     |                    | PLEASE SHARE : NEPAL EARTHQUAKE:  |
| 2015-04-28 07:09:38 | 592948772767932416 | SHUDDHI is in Nepal. We urgently need your help to provide clean water, http://t.co/HIDt2af9o8  |
|                     |                    | RT @AsimBajwalSPR: To provide relief to EQ victims in Nepal,4 C-130 acs with 30 bedded hosp,Army Drs,special search&rescue teams, food item     |
| LUZU OT EU OUITEITE | 552211120011001010 |   |

FIGURE 5.3: Tweets Before Preprocessing

| TIMESTAMP           | TWEET_ID           | TWEET_TEXT  |
|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| 2015-04-28 09:00:55 | 592976777447919616 | please save thousands of survivals of nepal earthquake they are foodless shelter less even they dont have                       |
| 2015-05-06 09:15:52 | 595879644127227904 | nidan to distribute rice dal and oil and other groceries and tents for temporary shelter to nepal earthquake                    |
| 2015-04-27 16:28:52 | 592727118766862336 | last night people are searching for tent at bicc area no foods no water earthquake nepal  |
| 2015-04-26 15:50:25 | 592355054323019776 | can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in nepal nepalquake     |
| 2015-04-29 15:47:23 | 593441455764410369 | earthquake toll can reach 10000 crisis looms over nepal due to shoage of basic amenities full story                             |
| 2015-04-28 06:31:32 | 592939185889214464 | trying to resta our work with no telephone and no internet at the office after devastating earthquake on                        |
| 2015-04-28 04:03:23 | 592901901479505920 | nepal earthquake day four slowly in the capital valley internet and electricity beeing restored a relief for at least some ones |
| 2015-04-29 17:06:49 | 593461448497500162 | plz shout for help to the earthquake victims of nepal we need tents lotts of tents homes demolished under empty sky as it rains |
| 2015-04-26 09:25:59 | 592258310696501248 | news world vision flies in help to nepal tents medicine and hygiene packs are being flown in by world http                      |
| 2015-04-28 16:00:58 | 593082485744881664 | nepal earthquake death toll crosses 5000 shoage of food medicine shelter zee news   |
| 2015-04-30 11:00:36 | 593731671658090497 | nepal earthquake relief update the a of living volunteers continue offering food and medical supplies and                       |
| 2015-04-29 11:33:04 | 593377453952913408 | please help nepal earthquake victims and send clothes food medicines  |
| 2015-04-28 18:06:20 | 593114034611757056 | earthquake in nepal plz snd food clothes nd money to hlp people lik dera sacha sauda is doing                                   |
| 2015-05-01 02:11:42 | 593960959582064640 | dera sacha sauda watch on youtube   |
| 2015-04-30 09:44:25 | 593712499595153408 | almost 1 million children need help in nepal after the 78 earthquake please text child to 50300 to donate 4 now ht              |
| 2015-05-01 07:23:56 | 594039536079908865 | 15 rajasthan world  |
| 2015-04-27 16:53:32 | 592733327318188034 | children are in danger nepal earthquake please suppo to provide urgent help pls   |
| 2015-04-28 07:00:51 | 592946562277482497 | donate a dollar nonperishable food clothes tents and raincoats nepal earthquake quakeinnepal prayfornepal                       |
| 2015-04-29 12:41:53 | 593394771877433344 | bangla saheb gurudwara delhi is sending 25000 food packages daily for the nepal earthquake victims reallions http               |
| 2015-04-27 18:04:30 | 592751186152919042 | nepal women is groups need funds for pregnant lactating mothers sanitation food shelter please give                             |
| 2015-04-30 09:54:42 | 593715088348971008 | people are in need for tents everywhere we are failing to meet their demands frustrating nepal earthquake scatteredreliefwork   |
| 2015-04-26 15:50:25 | 592355054323019776 | can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in nepal nepalquake     |
| 2015-04-28 07:09:38 | 592948772767932416 | please share nepal earthquake shuddhi is in nepal we urgently need your help to provide clean water                             |
| 2015-04-26 08:42:42 | 592247418374094848 | to provide relief to eq victims in nepal4 c130 acs with 30 bedded hosparmy drsspecial searchrescue teams food item              |
| 2015-04-27 17:15:27 | 592738844581240834 | mobile phones are not working no electricity no water in thamel nepal earthquake nepalearthquake nepalquakerelief               |

FIGURE 5.4: Tweets After Preprocessing

## 5.3 Classification

## **5.3.1** Text Classification

### **5.3.1.1** Training and Testing

The text classification model is trained as given in section 4. The training results for LSTM Architecture I and LSTM Architecture II are given in Fig 5.5 and Fig 5.6 respectively.

```
In [46]: runfile('/home/kavya/preprocessing.py', wdir='/home/kavya')
Train on 1450 samples, validate on 622 samples
Epoch 1/10
val_loss: 0.6014 - val_acc: 0.6720
Epoch 2/10
val_loss: 0.4638 - val_acc: 0.7990
Epoch 3/10
val_loss: 0.4764 - val_acc: 0.8006
Epoch 4/10
val_loss: 0.5532 - val_acc: 0.7878
Epoch 5/10
val loss: 0.6559 - val acc: 0.7926
Epoch 6/10
val_loss: 0.5614 - val_acc: 0.7942
Epoch 7/10
val loss: 0.6771 - val acc: 0.7701
Epoch 8/10
val_loss: 0.6994 - val_acc: 0.7942
Epoch 9/10
val_loss: 0.6765 - val_acc: 0.7942
Epoch 10/10
val_loss: 0.7583 - val_acc: 0.7942
Training completed 100%
```

FIGURE 5.5: Training Result for Text Classification Model (Variation 1)

#### **5.3.1.2** Accuracy Comparison

The testing accuracy of Model I is 79.42%. The changes that were made as per Table 4.1 led to the improvement in the overall accuracy of the model reaching as high as 85.37% testing accuracy.

The training vs testing accuracy of the two models are graphical represented as shown in Fig 5.7.

```
val_loss: 0.3815 - val_acc: 0.8284
Epoch 7/20
val_loss: 0.4151 - val_acc: 0.8211
Epoch 8/20
val_loss: 0.3930 - val_acc: 0.8248
Epoch 9/20
4425/4425 [=
     val_loss: 0.3491 - val_acc: 0.8609
Epoch 10/20
4425/4425 [========================] - 34s 8ms/step - loss: 0.2474 - acc: 0.8945 -
val_loss: 0.3412 - val_acc: 0.8591
Epoch 11/20
val_loss: 0.3485 - val_acc: 0.8627
Epoch 12/20
Epoch 13/20
val loss: 0.3468 - val acc: 0.8699
Epoch 14/20
val_loss: 0.3531 - val_acc: 0.8699
Epoch 15/20
val_loss: 0.4183 - val_acc: 0.8365
Epoch 16/20
4425/4425 [==
      val_loss: 0.3806 - val_acc: 0.8582
Epoch 17/20
val_loss: 0.4345 - val_acc: 0.8211
Epoch 18/20
.
4425/4425 [=:
     val_loss: 0.4411 - val_acc: 0.8482
Epoch 19/20
val_loss: 0.4432 - val_acc: 0.8564
Epoch 20/20
.
4425/4425 Γ=
     val_loss: 0.4629 - val_acc: 0.8537
```

FIGURE 5.6: Training Result for Text Classification Model (Variation 2)

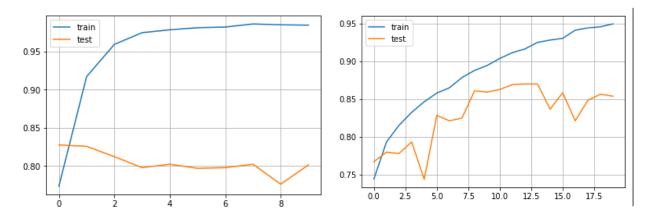


FIGURE 5.7: Comparison Of Training And Testing Accuracy Of LSTM Variations 1 And 2 Respectively.

### 5.3.2 Image Classification

#### 5.3.2.1 Training and Testing

```
Epoch 4/20
Epoch 5/20
Epoch 6/20
15258/15258 [========] - 58s 4ms/step - loss: 0.3619 - acc: 0.8597 - val_loss: 0.5730 - val_acc: 0.8149
Epoch 7/20
Epoch 8/20
Epoch 9/20
Epoch 10/20
Epoch 11/20
Epoch 12/20
15258/15258 [==========] - 58s 4ms/step - loss: 0.2296 - acc: 0.9076 - val loss: 0.7331 - val acc: 0.8102
Epoch 13/20
15258/15258 [========] - 58s 4ms/step - loss: 0.2097 - acc: 0.9174 - val_loss: 0.7743 - val_acc: 0.7733
Epoch 14/20
Epoch 15/20
Epoch 16/20
Epoch 17/20
Epoch 18/20
Epoch 19/20
Epoch 20/20
Training time: -1167.6329910755157
3815/3815 [=========== ] - 14s 4ms/step
[INFO] loss=0.9965. accuracy: 78.4010%
```

FIGURE 5.8: Training Result for Image Classification Model using Modified VGG-16

## 5.4 Matching

The output of the matched (offer,request) pair is stated as below:

| TWEET_ID                                 | TWEET_TEXT   |
|--|--|
| 595879644127227904<br>593743633347530752 | 3 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |
| 592901901479505920<br>some ones          | nepal earthquake day four slowly in the capital valley internet and electricity beeing restored a relief for at least  |
| 592929862832099328                       | acute crisis of water power medical facilities in nepal after earthquake this and more water news from last week MATCHING SIMILARITY: 0.8935848985379719   |
| 592258310696501248<br>595629811609051136 | 1  |
| 593731671658090497<br>593927918645940224 | nepal earthquake relief update the art of living volunteers continue offering food and medical supplies and<br>  nepal earthquake urgent need for water sanitation and food nepalearthquake<br>  MATCHING SIMILARITY : 0.9184961080436519                        |
| 593960959582064640<br>593240387453472768 | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,  |
| 594039536079908865<br>*** NO MATCH ***   | 15 rajasthan world   |
| 593394771877433344<br>593490208475209728 | bangla saheb gurudwara delhi is sending 25000 food packages daily for the nepal earthquake victims reallions<br>  nepal women is groups need funds for shelter sanitation food pregnant lactating mothers give now<br>  MATCHING SIMILARITY : 0.9054030543996601 |
| 592247418374094848<br>592712844451434496 |  |

FIGURE 5.9: One-to-One Mapping of Offer to Request

**NOTE:** In each matched set,the first line indicates the offer along with tweet\_id and the second one represents the request.

The output of the matched (offer,[request1,request2,...]) pair is stated as below:

| TWEET_ID   | TWEET_TEXT  |
|--|---|
| OFFER 595879644127227904 MATCHED REQUESTS 592355054323019776 593441455764410369 593114034611757056 592946562277482497 592751186152919042 | nidan to distribute rice dal and oil and other groceries and tents for temporary shelter to nepal earthquake  can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in nepal nepalquake earthquake toll can reach 10000 crisis looms over nepal due to shortage of basic amenities full story earthquake in nepal plz snd food clothes nd money to hlp people lik dera sacha sauda is doing donate a dollar nonperishable food clothes tents and raincoats nepal earthquake quakeinnepal prayfornepal nepal women is groups need funds for pregnant lactating mothers sanitation food shelter please give |
| OFFER 592901901479505920 MATCHED REQUESTS 592727118766862336 593441455764410369 593082485744881664 593590429670514688 595461399679246336 | nepal earthquake day four slowly in the capital valley internet and electricity beeing restored a relief for at least some ones  last night people are searching for tent at bicc area no foods no water earthquake nepal earthquake toll can reach 10000 crisis looms over nepal due to shortage of basic amenities full story nepal earthquake death toll crosses 5000 shortage of food medicine shelter zee news google news nepal earthquake homeless urgently need tents death toll above 5200 cnn queue waiting their turn to have water at pulchwok lalitpur near to plan office as earthquake has damaged water                                     |
| OFFER 592258310696501248 MATCHED REQUESTS 592727118766862336 592355054323019776 593441455764410369 593461448497500162 593082485744881664 | news world vision flies in help to nepal tents medicine and hygiene packs are being flown in by world  last night people are searching for tent at bicc area no foods no water earthquake nepal can anyone we know pick the 2000 second hand tents from sunauli and distribute it to the people in need in nepal nepalquake earthquake toll can reach 10000 crisis looms over nepal due to shortage of basic amenities full story plz shout for help to the earthquake victims of nepal we need tents lotts of tents homes demolished under empty sky as it rains nepal earthquake death toll crosses 5000 shortage of food medicine shelter zee news       |

FIGURE 5.10: One-to-Many Mapping of Offer to Requests

**NOTE:** In each matched set,the first line indicates the offer along with tweet\_id and the following line represents the requests.

## 5.5 Testing

The proposed system was tested for the FIRE 2017 IRMiDis dataset and an accuracy of around 75% was attained:

| Correct Predictions | 232               |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Total Predictions   | 315               |
| Accuracy            | 73.65079365079366 |
|                     |                   |

FIGURE 5.11: Testing of the Proposed System

#### CHAPTER 6

#### **CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK**

In this thesis, we presented an automatic tool for matching request and offer tweets for a real-world multimodal disaster-related dataset. Since only a small proportion of the complete dataset falls in the category of request and offer, it was quite a challenge to obtain quality data that is annotated as well. The use of state-of-art deep learning techniques have proved to be useful for task of classification.

In the future, we will redefine the matching algorithm to be flexible enough to handle multiple disasters at the same time and also take into account the whether the entity that demands or supplies is an individual or organization. We will be dealing with issues of quantity/capacity in our future work, which would require us to know more information attributes such as how many food rations, or how many shelter beds are supplied or demanded. This is a relevant aspect of this problem that is not supported by our dataset currently. We will also utilize the information present in audio and video formats to enhance the matching.

Finally, we will expand our system to handle multiple languages and not just be limited to English language tweets, though it contributes to more than one third of worldwide tweets.

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