CKME136 Capstone Project

A big Data application for Real Time classification of Symptoms of illness in Toronto, using twitter data

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Problem

- 1. Quickly Detecting disease outbreaks using user social media posts.
- 2. Handling and processing large quantity of data in real time(volume, velocity).
- 3. Using the data to predict future illness outbreak.

Dataset and datasource

1. Twitter via their data stream api.

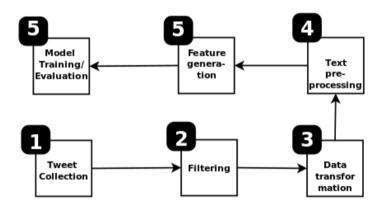
The schema for a tweet

The schema/structure of the tweet data collected was generated and printed using the following snippet of code:

```
from pyspark.sql import SQLContext
sqlContext = SQLContext(sc)
# Create the DataFrame
df = sqlContext.jsonFile("twitter_stream.20150519-084907.json")
# Show the content of the DataFrame
df.show()
# Print the schema in a tree format
df.printSchema()
```

The data format of a single tweet.

Approach



- 1. Tweet collection
- 2. Tweet Cleaning and transformation
- 3. Filtering
- 4. Data transformation
- 5. Text Preprocessing and feature generation

Training the Classifier

1. Generate feature vectors each tweet text.

```
def generatedHashedFeatures(tweet):
   htf = HashingTF()
   lp = LabeledPoint(tweet.label, htf.transform(tweet.text))
   return lp
```

2. Manually labelled about 1000 tweets.

user_id_100,,,en,Tue May 26 00:58:25 +0000 2015, MamaJaws not everyone I m itching to formulate an opinion but cannot because there isn t enough data ,0

user_id_01,,,en,Thu May 28 16:59:32 +0000 2015, Another dialysis stay under my belt lots of itching and cramping Lord have mercy ,1

1. Split data in training and test data.

```
training, test = data.randomSplit([0.6, 0.4], seed = 0)
```

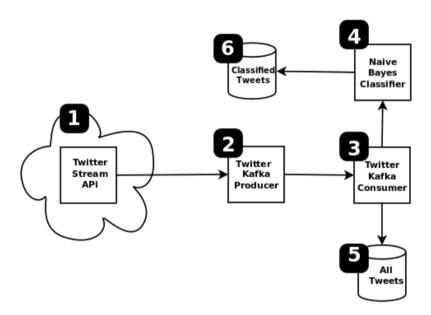
2. Train and persist a naive bayes model.

```
model = NaiveBayes.train(training, 1.0)
```

Classifying tweets in Real Time

- 1. **Apache Spark** Apache Spark is a fast and general-purpose cluster computing system
- 2. **mlib** Machine Learning Library
- 3. **kafka** A high-throughput distributed messaging system.
- 4. **twitter** streaming api.
- 5. deployed to AWS

Application Architecture



Conclusion and results

- 1. Created a spark application that streams and classify tweets in real time.
- 2. Trained naive bayes classifier model.
- 3. I have made the source code for the project available on my github repo.

Future work

- 1. Create android app to visualize the output of the application.
- 2. Deploy the application to databricks cloud.
- 3. Incooperate other datasources.
- 4. Fix bugs etc.

Questions?