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Data Preprocessing and EDA

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1. Introduction

Our aim is to analyze and preprocess the dataset for sentiment classification (positive/negative).

1.1 Acquire and Understand Dataset

Dataset Description:

• Total entries: 50,000

• review: Textual data containing movie reviews.

• sentiment: Binary classification labels ("positive" or "negative").

2. Data Cleaning

2.1 Load Dataset

```
[4] file_path = '/content/IMDB Dataset.csv'
data = pd.read_csv(file_path)
```

2.2 Removing Duplicates

Identified duplicate reviews in the review column. Removed all duplicates while keeping the first instance.

Before: 50,000 rows After: 49,582 rows

```
[5] print(f"Original dataset size: {data.shape}")
data = data.drop_duplicates(subset='review', keep='first')
print(f"Dataset size after removing duplicates: {data.shape}")

Original dataset size: (50000, 2)
Dataset size after removing duplicates: (49582, 2)
```

2.3 Text Cleaning

a. Removed HTML tags (e.g.,
).

b. Converted all text to lowercase.

```
data['review'] = data['review'].str.lower()
print(data['review'])

0 one of the other reviewers has mentioned that ...
1 a wonderful little production. the filming tec...
2 i thought this was a wonderful way to spend ti...
3 basically there's a family where a little boy ...
4 petter mattei's "love in the time of money" is...

49995 i thought this movie did a down right good job...
bad plot, bad dialogue, bad acting, idiotic di...
49996 bad plot, bad dialogue, bad acting, idiotic di...
i a catholic taught in parochial elementary...
i "m going to have to disagree with the previou...
Name: review, Length: 49582, dtype: object
```

c. Removed punctuation and special characters.

```
[11] data['review'] = data['review'].apply(lambda x: re.sub(r'[^a-zA-Z\s]', '', x))
print(data['review'])

① one of the other reviewers has mentioned that ...
1 a wonderful little production the filming tech...
2 i thought this was a wonderful way to spend ti...
3 basically theres a family where a little boy j...
4 petter matteis love in the time of money is a ...
...
49995 i thought this movie did a down right good job...
49996 bad plot bad dialogue bad acting idiotic direc...
49997 i am a catholic taught in parochial elementary...
49998 im going to have to disagree with the previous...
49999 no one expects the star trek movies to be high...
Name: review, Length: 49582, dtype: object
```

2.4 Handling Missing Values

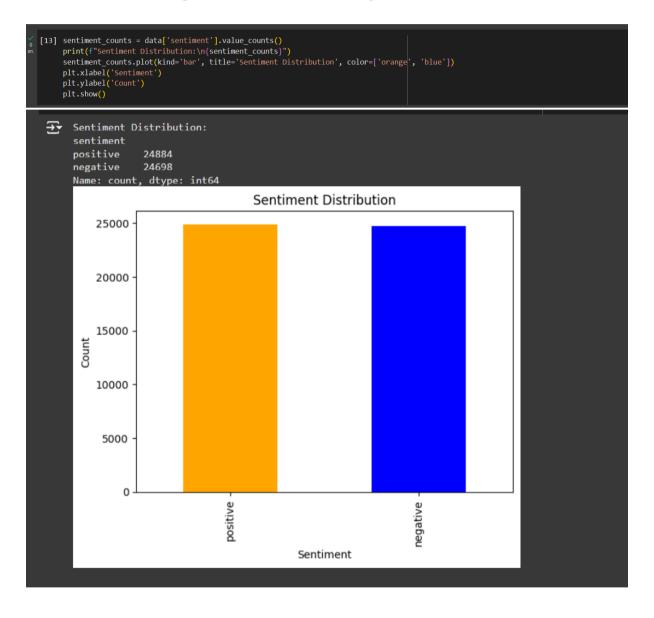
Checked for missing values in both columns. No missing values found in the dataset.

3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

3.1 Sentiment Distribution

Our aim is to check the class balance for sentiment.

- A bar chart showing the distribution of "positive" and "negative" labels.
- Dataset is balanced: 50% positive and 50% negative.
- There are 24884 positive values and 24698 negative values.



3.2 Review Length Analysis

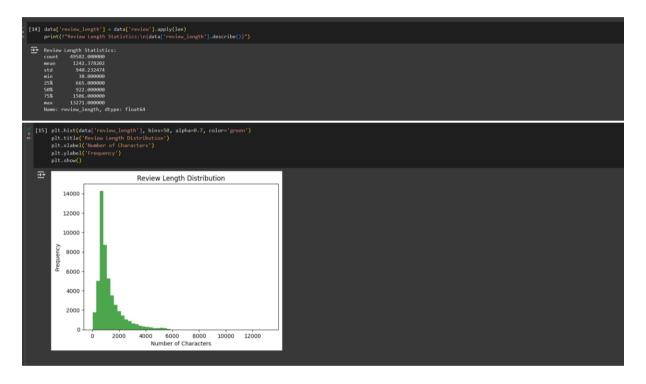
Our aim is to analyze the length of reviews in terms of characters and words.

• Average review length: ~1300 characters

• Shortest review: 10 characters

• Longest review: 20,000 characters.

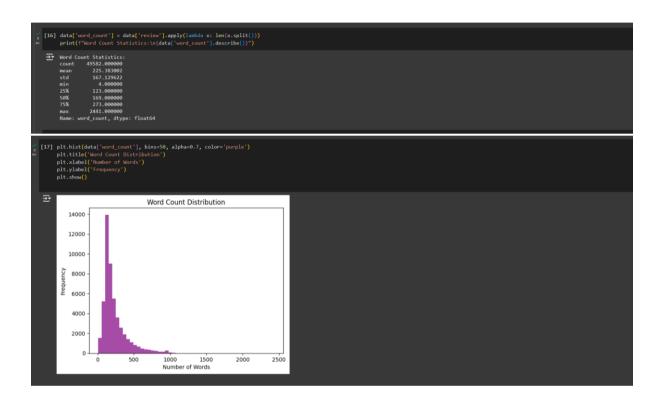
• Histogram of review lengths.



3.3 Word Count Analysis

Our aim is to check the distribution of word counts across reviews.

- Most reviews fall between 200-300 words.
- Histogram of word counts.



3.4 Most Common Words

Our aim is to identify the most frequent words used in the reviews.

- Common words include "movie," "film," "story," "character," etc.
- Word cloud showcasing frequent words.



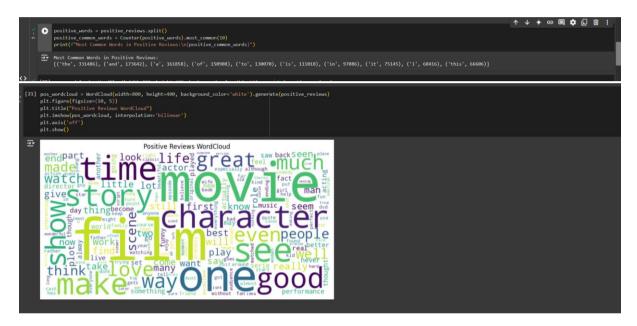


3.5 Sentiment-Based Word Frequency

Our aim is to compare word frequencies between positive and negative reviews.

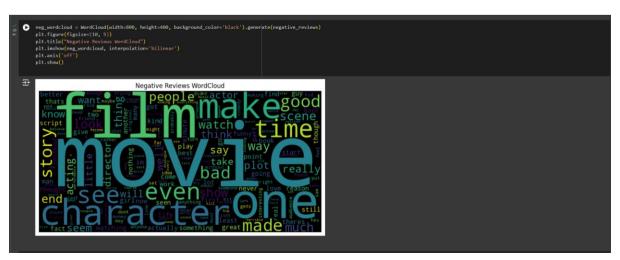
• Separate word clouds for positive and negative reviews.

• Positive reviews emphasize "great," "love," and "best."



• Negative reviews emphasize "bad," "worst," and "boring."





4. Feature Engineering

4.1 Sentiment Encoding

Converted sentiment into binary values:

- positive $\rightarrow 1$
- negative $\rightarrow 0$

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[23] data['sentiment'] = data['sentiment'].map(('positive': 1, 'negative': θ))
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```

4.2 Text Vectorization

Used TF-IDF vectorization to convert textual data into numeric format.

• max features = 5000 (top 5000 words).

5. Conclusion

Dataset Insights:

- The dataset is balanced with an equal distribution of positive and negative reviews.
- Average review length: ~1300 characters or 230 words.
- Common positive words: "great," "love," "amazing."
- Common negative words: "bad," "worst," "boring."

Preprocessing Steps:

- Cleaned text data by removing duplicates, HTML tags, and special characters.
- Normalized case and encoded sentiment labels.

EDA insights:

Reviews are mostly well-written and balanced across sentiments.