

Sentiment Analysis API Project Documentation

1. Approach to Solving the Problem

The goal was to create a sentiment analysis API that accepts CSV or XLSX files containing customer reviews, processes these files to extract the review text, performs sentiment analysis, and returns the results in a structured JSON format. The API needed to integrate with the Groq API for sentiment analysis.

Steps:

1. API Design:

- Used Flask to develop a RESTful API.
- The API accepts both CSV and XLSX file formats, which are handled using the pandas and openpyxl libraries.
- Implemented basic error handling for invalid file formats and Groq API request failures.

2. File Handling:

- The API extracts customer reviews from the uploaded file by reading the relevant columns using pandas.

3. Sentiment Analysis:

- Integrated Groq API to perform sentiment analysis on the review text.
- A structured JSON response is returned, which includes sentiment scores for positive, negative, and neutral categories.

4. Improved Version:

- Based on observations about performance, I created an alternative API that uses the TextBlob library, which proved to be faster and simpler to use than the Groq API for sentiment analysis.

2. How Structured Response Was Implemented

The API returns a structured response in JSON format, which includes the sentiment scores for positive, negative, and neutral reviews. Here's an example of the response format:

json

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{  
  "positive": 12,  
  "negative": 15,  
  "neutral": 23  
}
```

3. Examples of API Usage

3.1 Example Input:

A CSV file with the following structure:

Customer Review

"Great product, really loved it!"

"Not satisfied with the service."

"Delivery was okay, but could be faster."

3.2 Example API Call:

POST /analyze

Content-Type: multipart/form-data

File: reviews.csv

3.3 Example API Response:

json

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```
{  
  "positive": 1,  
  "negative": 1,  
  "neutral": 1  
}
```

4. Analysis of Results

After analyzing the results, I observed the following:

- **Groq API:** The sentiment results were accurate but the response time was significantly slower, especially when processing larger batches of reviews.
- **TextBlob:** In contrast, TextBlob produced results much faster, with reasonably accurate sentiment analysis for basic cases, making it a suitable alternative for smaller datasets or when performance is a priority.

5. Limitations and Potential Improvements

Limitations:

- The **Groq API** was slow when handling multiple requests, which could be a bottleneck in high-traffic scenarios.
- **TextBlob**, while faster, has limitations in understanding complex or ambiguous sentences. It may not be as powerful as more sophisticated machine learning models like Groq.

Potential Improvements:

- **Asynchronous Processing:** Implementing async requests could help improve the performance of the API when using the Groq API.
- **Batch Processing:** Instead of processing reviews one by one, we can batch them before sending them to the Groq API to reduce the number of API calls.

6. Additional Insights and Observations

During the implementation of the project, I observed that the **TextBlob** library is a faster alternative to Groq when it comes to sentiment analysis for smaller-scale applications.

Therefore, I have also created an improved version of the sentiment analysis API using **TextBlob**, which is more efficient in terms of performance. The improved API will be included in the submission.

The directory structure of the project is as follows:

- **Sentiment_analysis**
 - **APIs**
 - `groq_api.py` - Implements the Groq-based sentiment analysis API.
 - `improved_api.py` - Implements the TextBlob-based sentiment analysis API.
 - **APPs**
 - `app.py` - Runs the web application and interfaces with the Groq API.
 - `improved_app.py` - Runs the improved version of the web application with TextBlob.
 - **templates**
 - `index.html` - Contains the html for frontend app.
 - **static/js**
 - `app.js` - Contains the frontend JavaScript code for interacting with the backend APIs

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Additionally, the project includes a `requirements.txt` file, listing all the required dependencies for both APIs.