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## Thesis Outline

The coming chapters are arranged as follows:

- Chapter 1: Presents some basic introduction and background knowledge as regards the Arabic Poem and its definitions. Also, it contains details about the Arabic language and some feature used during our work.
- Chapter 2: Introduces the essential pre-processing steps, and the justification for their need. Pre-processing steps are data extraction, data cleansing and data format.
- Chapter 3: introduces the data encoding techniques used and the effect of each one. Also, it contains some comparisons between the three techniques used.
- Chapter 4: presents the model's details and how we chose the model and the architecture and hyper-parameters details.
- Chapter 5: Results and discussion.
- Chapter 6: Conclusion and future work

### **ABSTRACT**

People can easily determine whether a piece of writing is a poem or prose, but only specialists can determine the class of poem.

In this thesis, We built a model that can classify poems according to their meters; a forward step towards machine understanding of Arabic language.

A number of different deep learning models are proposed for poem meter classification. As poems are sequence data, then recurrent neural networks are suitable for the task. We have trained three variants of them, LSTM, GRU with different architectures and hyper-parameters. Because meters are a sequence of characters, then we have encoded the input text at the character-level, so that we preserve the information provided by the letters succession directly fed to then models. Besides, We introduce a comparative study on the difference between binary and one-hot encoding regarding their effect on the learning curve. We also introduce a new encoding technique called *Two-Hot* which merges the advantages of both *Binary* and *One-Hot* techniques.

Artificial Intelligence currently works to do the human tasks such as our problem here. Our target in this thesis is to achieve the human accuracy which will make it easy for anyone to know the meter for any poem without referring to the language experts or to study the whole field to achieve it.

In this thesis, We will explain how to use the deep learning to classify the Arabic poem to classes. Also, explain in details the feature of Arabic poem and how to deal with this features. Besides, We explain how can anyone work with Arabic text encoding with a dynamic way to encode the text at the character level and deal with the Arabic text feature example the *Tashkeel*.

# Chapter 1

# INTRODUCTION

Arabic is the fifth most widely spoken language<sup>1</sup>. It is written from right to left. Its alphabet consists of 28 primary letters, and there are 8 more derived letters from the basic ones, so the total count of Arabic characters is 36 characters. The writing system is cursive; hence, most letters join to the letter that comes after them, a few letters remain disjoint.

## 1.1 Arabic Poetry

Arabic poetry (الشعر العربى) is the earliest form of Arabic literature. It dates back to the Sixth century. Poets have written poems without knowing exactly what rules which make a collection of words a poem. People recognize poetry by nature, but only talented ones can write poems. This was the case until Al-Farahidi (718 786 CE) has analyzed the Arabic poetry, then he came up with that the succession of consonants and vowels produce patterns or meters, which make the music of poetry. He has counted them fifteen meters. After that, a student of Al-Farahidi has added one more meter to make them sixteen. Arabs call meters بحور which means "seas". The study of Arabic Poems classification is named Al-Arud (العَرُوض). It takes too much time for anyone to be an expert in this field.

# 1.2 Deep Learning

Deep Learning also named Deep Neural Network is part of Machine Learning algorithms. Deep Learning is trying to simulate the human brain into Neural dependency. Using Deep Learning, we can achieve better learning results from the data. Deep Neural Network needs a huge amount of data to achieve the expected learning curve

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>according to the 20th edition of Ethnologue, 2017

and results. It also needs a massive amount of computation to build the networks which are based on an artificial neural network. We used the Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) to work on the Arabic Text which shown its ability to achieve outstanding performance over the text problem data. We also used LSTM to solve the long dependency issue in RNN. We will go deep into the Background section (add deep learning section reference).

## 1.3 Thesis Objectives

In this study, we work to classify the poem and utilize the latest technologies check the class of poem. We also worked to achieve near human expert results which make our work is a breakthrough in the field concerning the results compared to the current achieved results. Figure 1.1 shows the steps.,



Figure 1.1: Thesis Working Steps.

- Crawling the data from the available sources with labeling.
- Clean and transform the data.
- Encode the data into a way to be input to the model to work on it. We used many encoding methods and compared each of them.
- Train the RNN model into the cleaned data.
- Validate and test the model.
- Enhance the model.

# Chapter 2

# **BACKGROUND**

Each Arabic letter represents a consonant, which means that short vowels are not represented by the 36 characters, for this reason, the need of *diacritics* rises. *Diacritics* are symbols that comes after a letter to state the short vowel accompanied by that letter. There are four diacritics  $^{\circ}$   $^{\circ}$  which represent the following short vowels |a|, |u|, |i| and no-vowel respectively, their names are fat-ha, dam-ma, kas-ra and sukun respectively. The first three symbols are called harakat. Table 2.1 shows the 4 diacritics on a letter.

Diacritics	without	fat-ha	kas-ra	dam-ma	sukun
Shape	د	دَ	دِ	ۮؙ	دْ

Table 2.1: Diacritics on the letter 2

There are two more sub-diacritics made up of the basic four to represent two cases:

#### **Definition 1** Shadaa

to indicate the letter is doubled. Any letter with shaddah ( ") the letter should be duplicated: first letter with a constant (sukoon) and second letter with a vowel (haraka) [1]; Table 2.2 shows the dal with shadda and the original letters.

Diacritics	letter with Shadda	letters without shadaa	
Shape	ۮۜ	دْدَ	

ت Table 2.2: Shadaa diacritics on the letter

#### **Definition 2** Tanween

is doubling the short vowel, and can convert Tanween fathah, Tanween dhammah or Tanween kasrah by replacing it with the appropriate vowel (dhammah, fathah or kasrah) then add the Noon letter with constant to the end of the word [1]. Table 2.3 shows the difference between the original letter and the letter with Tanween

Diacritics	letter with tanween	letters without tanween
Tanween Fat-ha	ۮٞ	دَ+نْ
Tanween Dam-ma	ۮۜ	دُ+نْ
Tanween Kas-ra	ڋ	دؚ+نْ

Table 2.3: Tanween diacritics on the letter ב

Arabs pronounce the sound /n/ accompanied sukun at the end the indefinite words, that sound corresponds to this letter  $\mathring{\upsilon}$ , it is called noon-sakinah, however, it is just a phone, it is not a part of the indefinite word, if a word comes as a definite word, no additional sound is added. Since it is not an essential sound, it is not written as a letter, but it is written as tanween  $\mathring{\smile}$   $\mathring{\smile}$ . Tanween states the sound noon-sakinah, but as you have noticed, there are 3 tanween symbols, this because tanween is added as a diacritic over the last letter of the indefinite word, one of the 3 harakatharakat accompanies the last letter, the last letter's harakah needs to be stated in addition to the sound noon-sakinah, so tanween is doubling the last letter's haraka, this way the last letter's haraka is preserved in addition to stating the sound noon-sakinah; for example,  $\mathring{\smile}$  is written  $\mathring{\smile$ 

Those two definition, Definition 1 and Definition 2 will help us to reduce the dimension of the letter's feature vector as we will see in *preparing data* section.

Diacritics makes short vowels clearer, but they are not necessary. Moreover, a phrase without full diacritics or with just some on some letters is right linguistically, so it is allowed to drop them from the text.

In Unicode, Arabic diacritics are standalone symbols, each of them has its own unicode. This is in contrast to the Latin diacritics; e.g., in the set  $\{\hat{e}, \, \acute{e}, \, \grave{e}, \, \ddot{e}, \, , \, \}$ , each combination of the letter e and a diacritic is represented by one unicode.

#### 2.1 Arabic Arud Science

#### **Definition 3** Arud

In Arabic Arud natively has many meanings (the way, the direction, the light clouds and Mecca and Madinah <sup>1</sup>[4]. Arud is the science which studies The Arabic Poem meters and the rules which confirm if the Poem is sound meters & broken meters. If we need to su

The Author of this science is *Al-Farahidi* (718 786 CE) has analyzed the Arabic poetry; then he came up with that the succession of consonants and vowels produce patterns or *meters*, which make the music of poetry. He was one of the famous people who know The melodies and the musical parts of speech. He has counted them fifteen meters. After that, a student of *Al-Farahidi* has added one more meter to make them sixteen. Arabs call meters — which means "seas" Poets have written poems without knowing exactly what rules which make a collection of words a poem.

The Reasons which makes Al-Farahidi put this science is

- Protect the Arabic Poems from the broken meters.
- Distinguish between the original Arabic Poem and the non-poem or from the prose.
- Make the rules clear and easy for anyone who needs to write a poem.

Some people said that the one-day Al-Farahidi was walking into the metal-market and he was said some of the poems and for some reasons the knock of the metals matched the musical sound of the poem he was saying then he got an idea to explore the Arud of the poems.

There are many reason for this science name

- It named Arud because some people said he put this science in Arud place العُروض with fat-ha, not with dam-ma such as the science name العُروض between Mecca and Al-Ta'if[4].
- Arud in Arabic is noun come from verb يعرض which means here to be assessed.
   They said because of Any poem should be assessed by Al-Arud science so, it named Al-Arud [3].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mecca and Madinah are two cities in Saudi Arabia.

#### 2.1.1 Al-Farahidi and Pattern Recognition

This subsection is our opinion in Al-Farahidi and his method he followed during working on Arabic Poem Classifications.

- 1. Al-Farahidi thought there is a pattern for every collection of the poem by chance; however, He scientifically worked into this problem. He started analyzing the poem and add every group with the same tafa'il to the same class.
- 2. He analyzed the outliers and the particular case from every class and added it to his model.
- 3. He revised the Bohor and get the cases and generalize his case to be fit into all Poems.
- 4. His student once he found some Poems which weren't fit into any model to be a model for a new class.

The best essential point which made us admired by Al-Farahidi is his way of research and his passion for getting an indeed succession model. Also, his model is general and followed all the steps currently any Data scientist follows to explore new pattern. Some people state that He died when he was thinking about the problem he hit a wall which made trouble for him. His die story shows that he was thinking in profoundly about this problem. One of the most interest thing I found during this research is how he found this pattern and Al-Farahidis way to find a new thing.

#### 2.1.2 Feet Representation

A meter is an ordered sequence of feet. Feet are the basic units of meters; there are ten of them.

#### **Definition 4** Feet

A Foot consists of a sequence of **Sukun** (Consonants) represented as (0) and **Harakah** (Vowels) (1). Traditionally, feet are represented by mnemonic words called tafail تفاعيل.

Feets consists of three parts (Reasons أسباب, Wedge أربياب, Breaks فواصل, Breaks أسباب.

- Reasons (أسباب): It has two types
  - 1. **Light (سبب خفیف)** which happens when we have the first letter is harakah and the second is sukun (/0) example (هَبْ, لَمْ).
  - 2. **Heavy (سبب ثقیل)** which happens when we have two harakah letter (//) example (لَكَ, بكَ).
- Wedge (وتد): It has two types
  - 1. **Combined Wedge (وتد مجموع)** which happens when we have two harakah letters followed by sukun (//0) example (مَشْى, عَلَى).
  - 2. **Separated Wedge (وتد مفروق)** which happens when we have two harakah and in between a sukun letter (/0/) example (مُنْذُ, مِصْرُ).
- Breaks (فواصل): It has two types
  - 1. **Small Break (فاصلة صغرى)** which happens when we have three harakah letters followed by a sukun letter (///0) example (ذَهَبُوا, سُفُناً).
  - 2. **Big Break (فاصلة كبرى)** which happens when we have four harakah letters followed by a sukun letter (////0) example (جَعَلَهُمْ).<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Some of Arab linguistic scientist assume the small Breaks as a combination between big reason and small reason. Same for the Big Breaks assumed to be a combination between Big reason and Combined Wedge. So, they didn't assume we have three types of feet it is only pure two and any other feets constructed from this two. In this thesis we assume there are three feets.

#### 2.1.2.1 Rules for Arabic Letters Representation

Arabic Arud has one general rule in the poem representation which is we represent only the letters which is (spoken) not the written which means the letters with phonatics not the written. We have give the below rules as a results of the general rule.

- Any letter with *harakah* represented as (/).
- Any letter with *sukun* represented as (0).
- Any letter with shaddah represented by two letters the first one will be *sukun* and the second letter will be *harakah* represented as (0/) example (مُحَمَّدُ) will be (//0//0).
- Any letter with tanween represented by two letters the first one is *haraka* (/) and the second is *sukun*.
- Alef without hamze (همزة الوصل) and Wow Algmaa are not represented example (واعلموا) will be (/0//0)
- If we have a letter which is not written but (spoken) so, we will represent it example (هذا) it include Alef but not written (هاذا) the representation will be (/0/0).
- If we have *Meem Aljamaa* with harakah so, it represented with *Mad* example  $(\mathring{a})$  will be (1/0).
- Alef Mad ( $\overline{|}$ ) will be two letters Alef with harakah and Alef with sukun example ( $\overline{|}$ ) will be ( $\overline{|}$ 0//).
- if the verse ended with *harkah* we will add *sukun* to it.

Example: (note: the below representation first line is simliar the second one but with Arud language style ).

## 2.1.3 Arabic Poetry Feets

Arabic poetry feets has ten tafa'il تفاعيل (scansion) any peom constructed from these feets. They are eight from writing (syntax) perspective, But it ten in the rules.

#	Feet	Scansion	Construction	
1	فَعُولُنْ	0/0//	combined wedge (فعو) and small reason (لن)	
2	مَفاعِيلُنْ	0/0/0//	combined wedge (مفا) and two light reasons (لن	
3	مُفَاعَلَتُنْ	0///0//	combined wedge (عل), heavy reason (عل) and light reason (تن	
4	فَاعِلاَتُنْ	0/0//0/	light reason (فا), combined wedge (علا) and light reason (تن	
5	فَاعِ لاتُنْ	0/0//0/	Separated wedge (فاع) and two light reason (الله عنه) 3	
6	فَأَعِلُنْ	0//0/	light reason (فا) and combined wedge (علن)	
7	مُتَفَاعِلُنْ	0//0///	heavy reason (مت), light reason (فا) and combined wedge (علن)	
8	مَفْعُولاَتِ	0//0///	two light reason (عو) and separated wedge (لأت)	
9	مُسْتَفْعِلُنْ	0//0/0/	two light reason (تف) and combination wedge (علن)	
10	مُسْتَفْعِ لُنْ	0//0/0/	light reason (مس), separated wedge (قفع) and light reason (لن)4	

Table 2.4: The ten feet of the Arabic meters.

<sup>3</sup>We separated the letters (צ') and (צ') in (פוֹ ש' צ'דיט) to show that this part is separated wedge and distinguish between this feet and (פוֹ ש' צ'דיט) which contains combined wedge.

4We separated the letters (צ') and (צ') in (مستفع لن) to show that it ends with a separated wedge and

distinguish between this feet and (مستفعلن) which contains combined wedge

#### **Definition 5** *Meter*

Poetic meters define the basic rhythm of the poem. Each meter is described by a set of ordered feet which can be represented as ordered sets of consonants and vowels [2].

#### **Definition 6** Arabic Verse

refers to "poetry" as contrasted to prose. Where the common unit of a verse is based on meter or rhyme, the common unit of prose is purely grammatical, such as a sentence or paragraph <sup>5</sup>. A verse know as Bayt in Arabic بيت

#### **Definition 7** Shatr

A verse consists of two halves, each of them is called shatr and carries the full meter. We will use the term shatr to refer to a verse's half; whether the right or the left half.

#### **Definition 8** *Poem*

is a set of verses has the same meter and rhyme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Verse\_(poetry).

#### 2.1.4 Arabic Poetry Meters

#### الطويل Al-Taweel

Why it named Al-Taweel? Al-Taweel is named Al-Taweel for two reasons; first, It is the longest meter between all meters. Second, It starts with Wedge then Reasons and Wedge is longer than Reasons. So, it named Al-Taweel. We need here to note later in the encoding section we will pad all other meters by zeros to make it all the same length. Example if the max Bayt is 82 so, any Bayt less than 82 will be padded by zeros to have the same length. [3]

#### tafa'il

#### **Example:**

#### المديد Al-Madeed المديد

#### Why it named Al-Madeed?

Al-Madeed is named because of the reasons الأسباب is represented in all its seven parts of tafa'il, One in the first part and the other in the second part. So, it named Madeed [3]

#### tafa'il

#### البسيط Al-Baseet

Why it named Al-Baseet? Al-Baseet there is a different idea behind this name

- The Reasons الأسباب expanded into it is tafa'il. So, We will find at the beginning of every part two reasons so; it named Al-Baseet.
- The other reasons which may be the more logic are the harkat الحركات expanded in its tafa'il.[3]

#### tafa'il

#### **Example:**

$$\hat{L}_{smo}^2$$
  $\hat{L}_{smo}^2$   $\hat{L}$ 

#### الوافر 2.1.4.4 Al-Wafer

Why it named Al-Wafer? Al-Wafer there are different ideas behind this name

- There is much harakat in its parts because there is no tafa'il has part includes harakat more than the word مفاعلتن.
- There are many parts to its base.[3]

#### tafa'il

#### الكامل 2.1.4.5 Al-Kamel

Why it named Al-Kamel? Al-Kamel is named because its harakat is fully integrated and it is 30 harakah which is not similar to any other Bahr has this numbers of harakat. However, Al-wafer has much harakat in its parts but not the same number as Al-Kamel. Al-Wafer has the harakat but it not overwritten into its source but Al-Kamel it is written into its source أصله source it is more integrated أكمل than Al-Wafer [3].

tafa'il

**Example:** 

وَلَقَدْ شَفَا نَفْسِي وَأَبْرَأً سُقْمَهَا \*\*\* قِيلُ الفَوَارِسِ وَيكَ عَنْتَرَ أَقْدِم 
$$0//0//0$$
  $0//0//0$   $0//0//0$  \*\*\*  $0//0//0$   $0//0//0$  متفاعلن متفاعلن متفاعلن متفاعلن متفاعلن متفاعلن متفاعلن ألم

## الهزج 2.1.4.6 Al-Hazaj

**Why it named Al-Hazaj?** Al-Hazaj is named because of the sound reverberation in its parts. Al-Hazaj in Arabic is sound frequency. So, due to the sound reverberation, it named AL-Hazaj. Also, Because every part ends for two reasons so, it made some of sound like a piece of music to be Al-Hazaj [3].

tafa'il

أَيًا مَنْ لاَمَ في الحُبِّ \*\*\* وَلَمْ يَعْلَمْ جَوى قَلبي 
$$0/0/0// \ 0/0/0// \ *** \ 0/0/0// \ مفاعيلن مفاعيلن مفاعيلن مفاعيلن مفاعيلن أي$$

#### الرجز 2.1.4.7 Al-Rejz

Why it named Al-Rejz is named Al-Rezj because it constructed from three parts. If there is an animal and someone pull this animal by one leg and the animal walk into three legs in Arabic named Rejz, this is the reason it named Rejz because of it has three parts similar than animal pulled by one leg and walk into three legs. Also, in Arabic, if we have a camel when it stands up has some disturbances due to it sick or has any issue it named Rejz Camel جمل رجز, and in Arabic disturbance إضطراب means Rejz for example [3].

tafa'il

**Example:** 

## الرمل Al-Raml الرمل

Why it named Al-Raml? Al-Raml is named Al-Raml because Al-Raml is a type of the singing which constructed from this Bahr. Another reason is the Wedges is appeared in between the Reasons so; it named Al-Raml due to the diversity between the Reasons and the wedges inside the tafa'il [3].

tafa'il

## السريع Al-Sarea السريع

Why it named Al-Sarea? Al-Sarea is named Al-Sarea in Arabic Al-Sarea means the fastest. It named these because its speed in teste الزوق or its parts التقطيع. The other reason because its three parts have 7 reasons and the reasons are faster than the wedges.[3]

tafa'il

#### **Example:**

### المنسرح Al-Monsareh المنسرح

**Why it named Al-Monsareh?** *to be written later :) :) [3].* 

tafa'il

#### الخفيف 2.1.4.11 Al-Khafeef

Why it named Al-Khafeef? Al-Khafeef name in Arabic means light. The reason behind the name is its wedge last harkah connected to its reason so, it became light خفت. The other reason is its light in teste التقطيع or its parts التقطيع because it has a part with three reasons and the reasons are lighter than wedges[3].

tafa'il

**Example:** 

## المضارع Al-Modarea المضارع

**Why it named Al-Modarea?** Al-Modarea in Arabic means the present. It named by this name because it is the present version of the Al-Hazaj. Also, This Bahr wasn't famous in Arabic Poem and there weren't any popular peams or poetry used this Bahr before [3].

tafa'il

#### المقتضب 2.1.4.13 Al-Moktadeb

Why it named Al-Moktadeb? Al-Moktadeb in Arabic means reproduced from another thing الإقتطاع and because this Bahr word is all appeared into Al-Monsareh in all its words but also there is a difference in the order of the parts. So, it named Al-Moktadeb because it seems to reproduce from Al-Monsareh. We will have another section which will focus on the relation between the Bohor [3].

tafa'il

**Example:** 

حف كأسها الحبب \*\*\* فهي فضة ذهب 
$$0///0/$$
  $0///0/$  \*\*\*  $0///0/$   $0///0/$  فاعلات مفتعلن \*\*\* فاعلات مفتعلن

#### المجتز 2.1.4.14 Al-Mojtaz

Why it named Al-Mojtaz? Al-Mojtaz in Arabic name is similar meaning for Al-Moktadeb it means reproduced from another thing الإقتطاع أو الإجتزاز and because these Bahr words are all appeared into Al-khafeef in all its words but also there is a difference in the order of the parts. So, it named Al-Mojtaz because it seems it reproduced from Al-khafeef إجتُزُّ من بحر الخفيف [3].

tafa'il

#### المتقارب Al-Motaqareb المتقارب

Why it named Al-Motaqareb? Al-Motaqareb in Arabic means convergent and is named by this name because the wedges are convergent to each other this is because between every two wedges one reason, so the wedges are convergent to each other. Also, another reason is its parts are similar to each other, so it named Al-Motaqareb [3].

tafa'il

**Example:** 

#### المتدارك Al-Motadarek المتدارك

Why it named Al-Motadarek? There are different ideas behind this name.

- Al-Motadarek in Arabic means explored because Al-Farahidi forgets this Bahr and his student Al-Akhfash Al-Awsat has explored it named by this name.
- Al-Motadarek in Arabic also means followed by something يُدرك, and because this Bahr came after Al-Motagareb, it names Al-Motadarek [3].

tafa'il

## 2.1.5 Bohor Relations

to be added :)

## 2.2 Deep Learning Recurrent Neural Networks

What is Deep Learning? Deep Learning is a new approach of Machine Learning research which focus on learning and understanding from the data without the needs for the human operator to formally specify all the knowledge that the computer needs. This method built using a hierarchy of concept which enables the computer to learn complex concepts by building them layer by layer from simpler ones. If there is a graph which shows how this concept built we will figure out a very deep graph with many layers, for this reason, we call this approach to AI deep learning [5]

There was many of early trials to utilize the AI into real life problems. For Example, IBM's Deep Blue chess-playing system which defeated world champion Garry Kasprov in 1997 ( Hsu , 2002 ).

Another approach which used to use AI but using hard-code knowledge about the world informal language. A computer can understand statements from the formal language automatically using logical inference rules. This is known as the knowledge base approach to artificial intelligence rules. None of these projects has achieved significant success. For Example, Cyc is tried to gather a comprehensive ontology and knowledge base about the basic concepts about how the world works Cyc (Lenat and Guha, 1989). Cyc is an inference engine and a database of statements in a language called Cycl. A staff of human supervisors enters these statements. People struggle to devise formal rules with enough complexity to describe the world accurately[5].

The difficulty faced in the previous system is due to the hard-coded knowledge has shown up the AI need to acquire their knowledge from the data itself. This capability is known as machine learning. This approach has introduced some algorithms which solve and tackle the problems from which we can, for example, check the email is spam or not. Also, it used for other problems for price predictions for housing Example of this algorithms is (Naive Bayes, Logistic regression).

This simple machine learning approach is working in the data but not with its original format it required some different representation to be input for the model. This different representation named feature engineering. Feature Engineering example: in case of email spam or not spam example it can be word frequency, char frequency, class attributes, capital letters frequency, some other data processing such as remove stop words from the input lemmatization. So, all the previous feature provided by a human expert which know the problem in details and analyzing which features it affect the data then add it as a feature to the input model.

However, for many tasks, it is difficult to identify the features which should be extracted. For example, we need to detect cars in photographs. We know every car have wheels. So, to detect cars, we can check if there is a wheel to be a feature for car detection. However, to detect or to describe wheels in terms of pixel values is a difficult task. The image may be not clear or may be complicated by shadows, the sun glaring off the metal parts of the wheel, the blurring in images may not make it clear sometimes, and so on[5].

One solution to solve this problem is to use machine learning itself to discover not only the output of the model but also the features which are the input for the model. This approach is known as representation learning. Learned representation can achieve better results than hard-designed representation. This approach also allows AI systems to rapidly adapt to new tasks or be automatically identify it from any new data. A representation learning can discover many features automatically fast or can take more times in case complex tasks, but at least it will get an excellent set of features which adapt for any complex problem without the need for manual features. In this research, we used the AI to identify the features for our model which make this model get a breakthrough results than the old fashion of manual feature machine learning used.

If we go back to the image example, we can show that it is not an easy task to extract features to detect the car from an image. So, Deep learning is trying to solve this problem in feature engineering by introducing representation learning that are build complex representations in terms of another simpler layer of representations Figure 2.1 shows how deep learning represents an image of a person by combining simpler representation example the edges and contours which led to understanding complex representations. The benefit from allowing the computer to understand the data and building the representation is the ability now for building and understanding very complex representation and also, to utilize and combine features from simpler to deep representations with many ways such as recurrent or sequences.

Modern deep learning provides a compelling framework for learning data problems. This model becomes more complex by the adding more layers and more units within a layer. Deep Learning model is working perfectly on the big dataset which allows the model to learn the data features in a good way.

In the remaining parts in this section we will start introducing the main concepts and component used in deep learning, Also the basic unit into Recurrent Neural networks and LSTM.

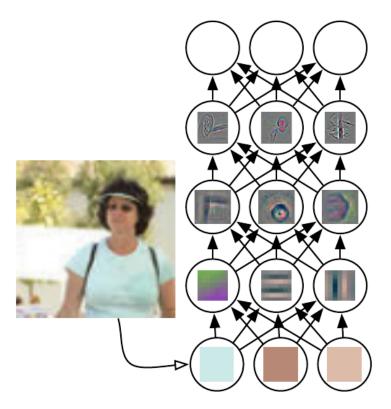


Figure 2.1: Illustrations on how can Deep Learning work based on images figure presented from [5] [6].

#### 2.2.1 Logistic Regression

Logistic Regression is a machine learning algorithm which we can assume has the basic idea behind the deep learning we will explain it later. Also, Logistic Regression is one of the most used machine learning techniques for binary classification.

A simple example of logistic regression it would be if we have an algorithm for fraud detection. It takes some raw data input and detect if it is a fraud case or not lets assume fraud case is one and a non-fraud case is zero. David Cox developed logistic regression in 1958 [7]. The logistic name came from its core function logistic function which also named as *Sigmoid function* function (2.1). The Logistic function is shaped as S-shape. Also, one of these function features it can take any input real number and convert it into a value between 1 and 0.

Let's take an Example, Given x, we want to get the predictions of  $\hat{y}$  which is the estimate of y when  $\hat{y}$  is presented in equation (2.2). So, to calculate the output function

for logistic regression using equation (2.3). Note: if we remove the Sigmoid function  $\sigma$  from the equation it will be Linear Regression model and  $\hat{y}$  can be greater than 1 or negative. Figure XXXX show the Sigmoid function output.

$$x = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-x}} \quad \text{where} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$$
 (2.1)

$$\widehat{y} = P(y = 1|x)$$
 where  $0 \le \widehat{y} \le 1$  (2.2)

$$\widehat{y} = \sigma(w^t x + b)$$
 where:  $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 - e^{-z}}, w \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, b \in \mathbb{R}$  (2.3)

#### 2.2.1.1 Loss Error Function

Loss Error Function is the function which describes how well our algorithm can understand  $\widehat{y}$  y b when the true label is y. It also can be defined as the difference between the true value of y and the estimated value of  $\widehat{y}$ . Equation (2.4) describe the loss function for Logistic Regression. There are another functions can represent the loss functions but we take the below as example. As we know y is the label which should be 1 or 0. So, The reason why this function make sense to describe the loss function as below

- in case (y = 1) equation (2.5) we need  $\hat{y}$  to be big as possible to be equal or near y true which is 1. So,  $-(\log \hat{y})$  will get the value. Note as explained before Sigmoid function can't be greater than 1 or less than 0.
- in case (y = 0) equation (2.6) we need  $\hat{y}$  to be small as possible to be equal or near y true which is 0. So,  $-\log(1-\hat{y})$  will get the value.

$$\ell(y,\widehat{y}) = -(y\log\widehat{y} + (1-y)\log(1-\widehat{y})) \tag{2.4}$$

(if y = 1) 
$$\ell(y, \hat{y}) = -(y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y}))$$
  
=  $-(1 \log \hat{y} + (1 - 1) \log(1 - \hat{y}))$   
=  $-(\log \hat{y})$  (2.5)

(if y = 0) 
$$\ell(y, \hat{y}) = -(y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y}))$$
$$= -(0 * \log \hat{y} + (1 - 0) \log(1 - \hat{y}))$$
$$= -\log(1 - \hat{y})$$
 (2.6)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Most of this subsections are explained into Andrew NG Coursera courses in deep learning and It written using our understanding to this topic but the equations and the idea taken from the course https://www.coursera.org/learn/neural-networks-deep-learning/

#### 2.2.1.2 Cost Function

To predict y from  $\hat{y}$  we learn from the input parameters in this case it will be (w,b) from Equation (2.3) as (w,b) is the parameters which define the relation between input dataset X and the output Y. So, Cost Function will measure how well you are doing an entire training set and the ability to understand the relation between X,Y.

Cost function *J* in equation (2.7) is the average of loss function applied to every training example which equal the sum of the lost for each training example divided on the total number of training example.

$$J(w,b) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} \ell(y^{i}, \widehat{y^{i}})}{m} \quad \text{where m is the total number of training example}$$

$$= \frac{-\sum_{i=1}^{m} [(y^{i} \log \widehat{y^{i}} + (1 - y^{i}) \log(1 - \widehat{y^{i}}))]}{m}$$
(2.7)

#### 2.2.1.3 Convex Function vs Non-Convex Function

Details and figure on convex function vs non-convex functions

#### 2.2.1.4 Gradient Descent

As we explained in the previous parts, we need to find the relation between X,Y from the input parameters (w,b) which will make the cost function (2.7) to the minimum. In other words we need to find the best value of J(w,b) which will represent the relation and reduce the error between y and  $\hat{y}$  So, we need to minimize J(w,b).

To illustrate the relation between J(w,b) we will assume for simplicity the relation will be function of one variable J(w). As shown in Figure XXXX we have a curve which represent the function J(w) we need to find the minimum point in this curve which is the local minimum assuming it is a *convex function*. We will use equation to find the local minimum.

To explain how this equation works let's take a random point p from Figure XXXX let's take derivative (which by definition is the slope of the function at the point) The slope of this function is the height (h) divided into the width (w) it is the tangent of J(w) at this point. If the derivative is positive so, w will be update minus the derivative multiplied by learning rate alpha  $\alpha$  as (2.8). We will repeat the previous step until value of w get the lowest minimum. When w get the lowest minimum the derivative will be negative so, w will start to increase again at this step the algorithm will stop.

$$w := w - \alpha dw \quad alpha \text{ is learning rate}$$

$$:= w - \alpha \frac{dJ(w)}{dw} \quad d \text{ represent the derivative wrt } w$$
(2.8)

Now, Let's generalize the above equation assume we have two parameters (w,b) and we need to calculate the cost function for J(w,b) we will work on as two steps first function (2.9) wrt (w) and second function (2.10) wrt (b)

$$w := w - \alpha \frac{dJ(w,b)}{dw} \tag{2.9}$$

$$b := b - \alpha \frac{dJ(w, b)}{db} \tag{2.10}$$

# Chapter 3 LITERATURE REVIEW

# Chapter 4

# **DATASET**

We have scrapped the Arabic dataset from two big poetry websites: الشعرية , الديوان 2. Both are merged into one large dataset. It is important to note that the verses' diacritic states are not consistent, this means that a verse can carry full, semi diacritics or it can carry nothing. The total number of verses is 1,862,046 poetic verses; each verse is labeled by its meter, the poet who wrote it, and the age which it was written in. There are 22 meters, 3701 poets and 11 ages; and they are Pre-Islamic, Islamic, Umayyad, Mamluk, Abbasid, Ayyubid, Ottoman, Andalusian, era between Umayyad and Abbasid, Fatimid and modern. We are only interested in the 16 classic meters which are attributed to *Al-Farahidi*, and they are the majority of the dataset with a total number of 1,722,321 verses<sup>3</sup>.

# 4.1 Preparing Data

## 4.1.1 Data Cleaning

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ aldiwan.net

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>poetry.tcaabudhabi.ae

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>https://wwww.github.com/tahamagdy

# **Chapter 5**

# **DATA ENCODING**

- **5.0.1** Arabic Poem Encoding
- 5.0.1.1 One-Hot encoding
- 5.0.1.2 Binary Encoding
- 5.0.1.3 Two-Hot encoding

# Chapter 6 MODEL TRAINING

# Chapter 7 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

# **Chapter 8**

# **CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK**

# 8.1 Future Work

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# **APPENDIX A**

## **Phase Correlation Theory**

Let  $D_1(x,y)$  and  $D_2(x,y)$  be the dilated images to be registered, the Fourier transform for both  $F_1(u,v)$  and  $F_2(u,v)$  is given by:

$$F_k(u, v) = \mathcal{F}\{D_k(x, y)\}$$

$$= \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=\infty} \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=\infty} D_k(x,y) \exp^{(-i2\pi\omega xy)} dxdy$$
 (8.1)

where,  $\mathcal F$  is the Fourier operator, K denotes image 1 or 2,  $\omega$  is the frequency (in hertz), x and y are the spatial domain coordinates, u and v are the frequency domain coordinates of the two images.

Given two images of size  $N \times M$  shifted against each other, according to the Fourier shift property, their Fourier becomes:

$$F_2(u,v) = F_1(u,v) \exp^{\left(-i2\pi\left(\frac{u\Delta x}{M} + \frac{v\Delta y}{N}\right)\right)}$$
(8.2)

The Normalized Cross Power Spectrum (C(u, v)) is defined as:

$$C(u,v) = \frac{F_1(u,v) \cdot F_2(u,v)^*}{|F_1(u,v) \cdot F_2(u,v)^*|}$$
(8.3)

where '.' denotes the element-wise product, '\*' denotes the complex conjugate. Using equation 8.2:

$$C(u,v) = \frac{F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^* \exp^{\left(i2\pi \left(\frac{u\Delta x}{M} + \frac{v\Delta y}{N}\right)\right)}}{\left|F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^* \exp^{\left(i2\pi \left(\frac{u\Delta x}{M} + \frac{v\Delta y}{N}\right)\right)\right|}}$$
(8.4)

Since the phase term of  $F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^*$  is zero, only the magnitude remains, i.e.  $F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^* = |F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^*|$  and since the magnitude of any complex

exponential is 1, the equation drops to:

$$C(u,v) = \frac{|F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^*| \exp^{\left(i2\pi\left(\frac{u\Delta x}{M} + \frac{v\Delta y}{N}\right)\right)}}{|F_1(u,v) \cdot F_1(u,v)^*|}$$
$$= \exp^{\left(i2\pi\left(\frac{u\Delta x}{M} + \frac{v\Delta y}{N}\right)\right)}$$
(8.5)

the inverse Fourier transform of which is a delta function, i.e. a single peak.

The Normalized Cross Correlation (c) equals:

$$c = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{C\} = \delta(x + \Delta x, y + \Delta y) \tag{8.6}$$

The shift in x and y between the two images  $(\Delta x, \Delta y)$  takes the location of the maximum peak in c, such that:

$$(\Delta x, \Delta y) = \underset{x,y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \{c\}$$
 (8.7)