Project 3: Web APIs & NLP

USING REDDIT'S API AND PREDICT POST CONTENT

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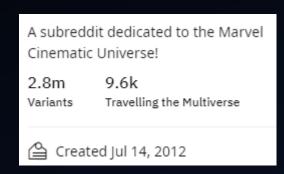
Problem Statement

Classify the subreddit posts using Natural Language Processing(NLP) and classication models.



1.r/marvelstudios







2.r/DC_Cinematic



Your one stop for DC Films news and discussion, as well as past DC films and Vertigo adaptations!

340k 3.5k Metahumans Heroes United

(a) Created Sep 21, 2013

- The contents are similar (superhero, movie, meme etc)
- How well can they can be classified using NLP and SKLearn's classification model?











Web Scrapping & Cleaning

Exploratory Data Analysis(EDA)

Pre-processing

Modelling

Model Selection & Evaluation

'Pushshift API' to extract posts from Reddit

2000 posts scrapped from each page

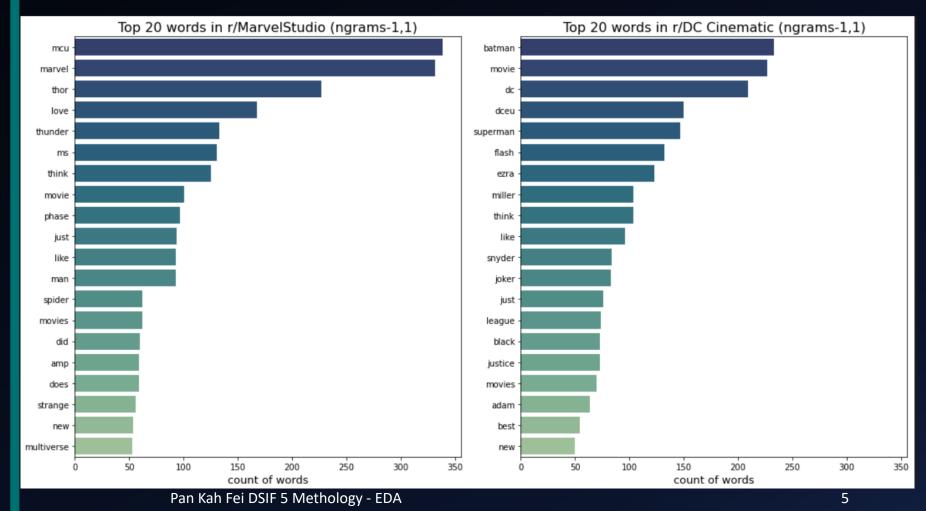
Cleaning

- Convert .Jason file into Pandas dataframe
- Remove blanks, duplicates, emojis
- Select only 'title' and 'self-text' as feature columns

subreddit	title	words	title_token
DC_Cinematic	છ	છ	0
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Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

- Balanced Data:
 - Class 0 = r/marvelstudios (50.02%), Class $1 = r/DC_Cinematic(49.97\%)$
- Tokenize and Counvectorize with different N-grams.



Pre- processing

Prepare data for Natural Language Processing (NLP) Model

Stop words removal

Use nltk 'English' stopwords library.

Tokenizing

Use Regular expression to parse string into multiple tokens

Lemmatizing

Reduce token words by removing suffixes but lighter touch than stemming

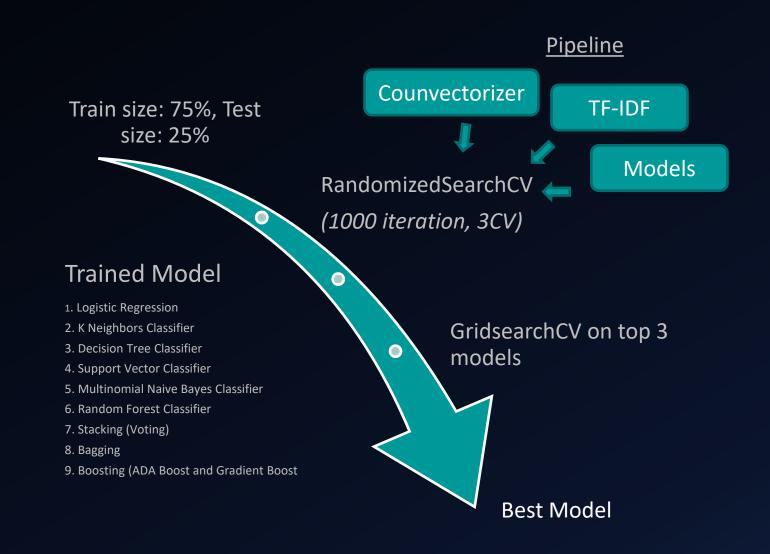
Modelling

Train test split on lemmatized dataset

Use sklearn's
RandomizedSearchCV to have
an initial guess on
hyperparameter range of each
model

Pipeline groups of models with preprocessors

Use sklearn's GridSearchCV to get the best hyperparameter



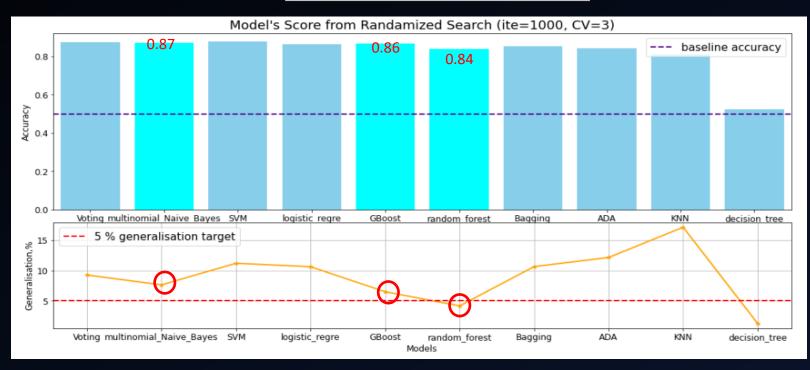
Model Selection

RandomizedSearch result is good enough to select the top 3 models

- Multinomial Naïve Bayes
- Gradient Boost(Decision Tree)
- Random Forest

Then follow by GridSearchCV to find the best performer

1st step: Randomized Search



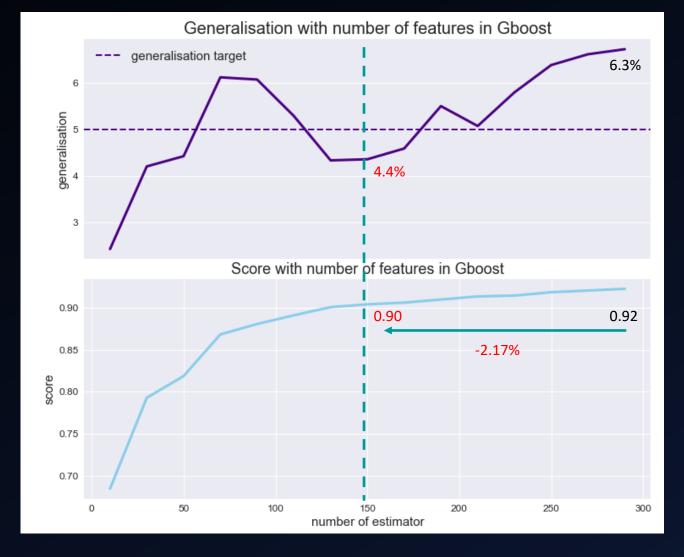
2nd step: Grid Search

Mode I	Pre- processor	Train Score	Test Score	Test Score Improvement	Generalisation	Test ROC AUC	Actual Runtime (min)	Runtime (Full grid search, min)
MNB	Count Vectorizer	0.94	0.87	0%	7.4%	0.96	0.51	4555
RF	Count Vectorizer	0.89	0.85	1.2%	4.53%	0.95	4.45	6220877
GBOOS T	Count Vectorizer	0.92	0.87	1.2%	6.3%	0.95	5.5	6121

Model Selection

Further study on Gboost to narrow down generalization gap:

- Shrinkage/Weighted Updates
 - learning rate
 - number of estimator
- Random Sampling/Stochastic Boosting
 - subsample

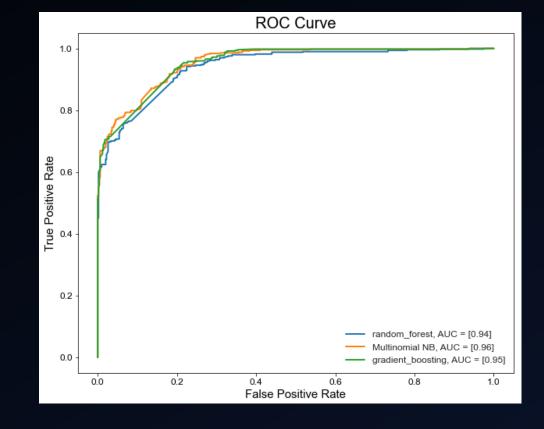


150 number of estimator is chosen for gradient boost model

Evaluation

The generalization gap must <5% as requested for this project

All beat baseline accuracy of 50%



Model	Pre-processor	Train Accuracy Score	Test Accuracy Score	Generalisation	Test ROC AUC	Test F1 score(class 0)	Test F1 score(class 1)
MNB	Count Vectorizer	0.92	0.86	7.4%	0.96	0.87	0.86
RF	Count Vectorizer	0.88	0.84	4.53%	0.94	0.85	0.83
GBOOST	Count Vectorizer	0.90	0.87	4.36%	0.95	0.86	0.88

Result

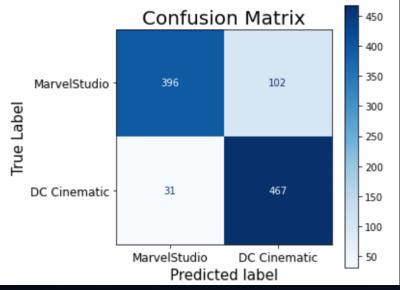
Winner - Gradient Boost

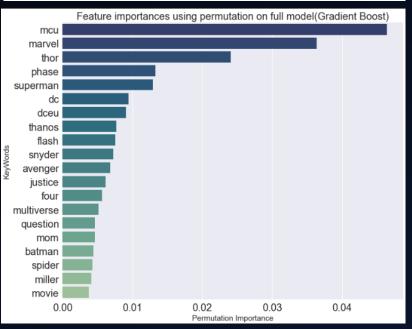
CountVectoriser

- max df=0.85
- Max feature=1500
- ngram_range = (1,1)

Parameter

- Learning rate=0.12
- Max_dept = 4,
- Max_features = 12
- Min_sample_leaf = 2,
- N_estimator=150,
- Min_sample_split=10





Confusion matrix F1 score 88% Accuracy score 87%

Best performance with threshold of 0.5

Permutation Importance
Model-agnostic global
explanation method

Top 20 words with high predictive power

Word Cloud Visualization on key terms for each sub:



r/marvelstudios



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r/DC_Cinematic



Conclusion & Recommendation

- Highest-performing model, Gradient Boost is doing well in predicting the subreddit posts with accuracy of 87%
- Every model has its pros and cons, we must gauge the trade off between the computation time and target scores.
- The method of using randomizedsearchCV to narrow down the hyperparameter range followed by full GridsearchCV able to save whole computing time by enormous amount (1112% shorter run time for Gradient boost model).
- Advance model like CatBoost and XGBoost can be tested out in the future for NLP project

Thank you

Q & A