

Phishing email detection through linguistic patterns and sentiment analysis

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Summary: With the wide usage of e-mail as a communication tool, phishing attacks have become increasingly common and sophisticated. This dissertation aims to explore **the use of linguistic patterns** and **sentiment analysis to detect phishing emails**. By analyzing the emotional tone and language used in emails, we may be able to identify potential phishing attempts and improve email security.

Objectives / Work done / Results

❖ Objectives:

- Use LLM to generate phishing emails based on an existing annotated dataset
- Annotate newly generated dataset using Doccano
- Use dataset to generate pre-annotated phishing emails

❖ Results:

- Generated dataset with 10,000 emails, evenly split across emotions
- Doccano platform deployed and ready, with annotation guidelines
- User creation + Email automation script ready

Start Annotation

- Home
- Dataset
- Labels
- Members
- Comments
- Guideline
- Metrics
- Settings

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confusion

curiosity

desire

excitement

fear

gratitude

joy

neutral

relief

sadness

surprise

unsure

Subject: Congratulations! You've been selected for an exclusive opportunity

Dear [Recipient],

Our records indicate that you have been chosen to receive a special acknowledgment from us. We admire your dedication and commitment to our platform and would like to show our appreciation by offering you an exclusive upgrade on your existing membership plan.

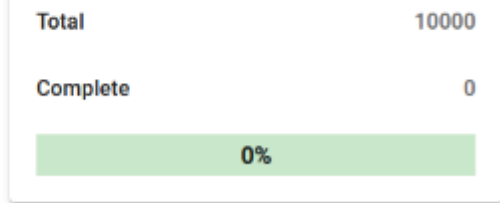
By clicking the link below, we invite you to discover the details of this exciting offer:

[suspicious link]

We hope this surprise brings joy to your day!

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Progress



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Next Steps / Challenges / Bottlenecks

❖ Next Steps:

- Annotate the dataset
- Use the annotated dataset to generate non-phishing emails

❖ Bottlenecks:

- Annotation speed of volunteers

