

Introduction to Text Encoding

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Standardizing your text

Example of free text:

Fellow-Citizens of the Senate and of the House of Representatives:
AMONG the vicissitudes incident to life no event could have filled me with greater anxieties than that of which the notification was transmitted by your order, and received on the th day of the present month.

Dataset

```
print(speech_df.head())
```

| | Name | Inaugural Address | \ |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 0 | George Washington | First Inaugural Address | |
| 1 | George Washington | Second Inaugural Address | |
| 2 | John Adams | Inaugural Address | |
| 3 | Thomas Jefferson | First Inaugural Address | |
| 4 | Thomas Jefferson | Second Inaugural Address | |

| | Date | text |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 0 | Thursday, April 30, 1789 | Fellow-Citizens of the Sena... |
| 1 | Monday, March 4, 1793 | Fellow Citizens: I AM again... |
| 2 | Saturday, March 4, 1797 | WHEN it was first perceived... |
| 3 | Wednesday, March 4, 1801 | Friends and Fellow-Citizens... |
| 4 | Monday, March 4, 1805 | PROCEEDING, fellow-citizens... |

Removing unwanted characters

- `[a-zA-Z]` : All letter characters
- `[^a-zA-Z]` : All non letter characters

```
speech_df['text'] = speech_df['text']\  
                    .str.replace('[^a-zA-Z]', ' ')
```

Removing unwanted characters

Before:

```
"Fellow-Citizens of the Senate and of the House of  
Representatives: AMONG the vicissitudes incident to  
life no event could have filled me with greater" ...
```

After:

```
"Fellow Citizens of the Senate and of the House of  
Representatives AMONG the vicissitudes incident to  
life no event could have filled me with greater" ...
```

Standardize the case

```
speech_df['text'] = speech_df['text'].str.lower()  
print(speech_df['text'][0])
```

```
"fellow citizens of the senate and of the house of  
representatives among the vicissitudes incident to  
life no event could have filled me with greater"...
```

Length of text

```
speech_df['char_cnt'] = speech_df['text'].str.len()  
print(speech_df['char_cnt'].head())
```

```
0    1889  
1     806  
2    2408  
3    1495  
4    2465  
Name: char_cnt, dtype: int64
```

Word counts

```
speech_df[ 'word_cnt' ] =  
    speech_df[ 'text' ].str.split()  
speech_df[ 'word_cnt' ].head(1)
```

```
[ 'fellow', 'citizens', 'of', 'the', 'senate', 'and', ...
```


Word counts

```
speech_df[ 'word_counts' ] =  
    speech_df[ 'text' ].str.split().str.len()  
print(speech_df[ 'word_splits' ].head())
```

```
0    1432  
1     135  
2    2323  
3    1736  
4    2169  
Name: word_cnt, dtype: int64
```

Average length of word

```
speech_df['avg_word_len'] =  
    speech_df['char_cnt'] / speech_df['word_cnt']
```

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Word Count Representation

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Text to columns

“citizens of the senate and of the house of representatives”



| Index | citizens | of | the | senate | and | house | representatives |
|-------|----------|----|-----|--------|-----|-------|-----------------|
| 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Initializing the vectorizer

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
cv = CountVectorizer()
print(cv)
```

```
CountVectorizer(analyzer=u'word', binary=False,
                decode_error=u'strict',
                dtype=<type 'numpy.int64'>,
                encoding=u'utf-8', input=u'content',
                lowercase=True, max_df=1.0, max_features=None,
                min_df=1, ngram_range=(1, 1), preprocessor=None,
                stop_words=None, strip_accents=None,
                token_pattern=u'(?u)\\b\\w\\w+\\b',
                tokenizer=None, vocabulary=None)
```

Specifying the vectorizer

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer  
  
cv = CountVectorizer(min_df=0.1, max_df=0.9)
```

`min_df` : minimum fraction of documents the word must occur in

`max_df` : maximum fraction of documents the word can occur in

Fit the vectorizer

```
cv.fit(speech_df[ 'text_clean' ])
```


Transforming your text

```
cv_transformed = cv.transform(speech_df[ 'text_clean' ])  
print(cv_transformed)
```

```
<58x8839 sparse matrix of type '<type 'numpy.int64'>'
```

Transforming your text

```
cv_transformed.to_array()
```

Getting the features

```
feature_names = cv.get_feature_names()  
print(feature_names)
```

```
[u'abandon', u'abandoned', u'abandonment', u'abate',  
u'abdicated', u'abeyance', u'abhorring', u'abide',  
u'abiding', u'abilities', u'ability', u'abject'...]
```

Fitting and transforming

```
cv_transformed = cv.fit_transform(speech_df[ 'text_clean' ])  
print(cv_transformed)
```

```
<58x8839 sparse matrix of type '<type 'numpy.int64'>'
```

Putting it all together

```
cv_df = pd.DataFrame(cv_transformed.toarray(),  
                      columns=cv.get_feature_names())\  
                      .add_prefix('Counts_')  
  
print(cv_df.head())
```

| | Counts_aback | Counts_abandoned | Counts_a... |
|---|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | ... |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | ... |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | ... |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | ... |

```
1 ""out Counts_aback Counts_abandon Counts_abandonment 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 1 2 0 1  
0 3 0 1 0 4 0 0 0 ""
```

Updating your DataFrame

```
speech_df = pd.concat([speech_df, cv_df],  
                      axis=1, sort=False)  
print(speech_df.shape)
```

```
(58, 8845)
```

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Tf-Idf Representation

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Introducing TF-IDF

```
print(speech_df[ 'Counts_the' ].head())
```

```
0    21
1    13
2    29
3    22
4    20
```

TF-IDF

$$\text{TF-IDF} = \frac{\frac{\text{Count of word occurrences}}{\text{Total words in document}}}{\log\left(\frac{\text{Number of docs word is in}}{\text{Total number of docs}}\right)}$$

Importing the vectorizer

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
tv = TfidfVectorizer()
print(tv)
```

```
TfidfVectorizer(analyzer=u'word', binary=False, decode_error
dtype=<type 'numpy.float64'>, encoding=u'utf-8', in
lowercase=True, max_df=1.0, max_features=None, min_
ngram_range=(1, 1), norm=u'l2', preprocessor=None,
stop_words=None, strip_accents=None, sublinear_tf=F
token_pattern=u'(?u)\\b\\w+\\b', tokenizer=None,
vocabulary=None)
```

Max features and stopwords

```
tv = TfidfVectorizer(max_features=100,  
                    stop_words='english')
```

`max_features` : Maximum number of columns created from TF-IDF

`stop_words` : List of common words to omit e.g. "and", "the" etc.

Fitting your text

```
tv.fit(train_speech_df[ 'text' ])  
train_tv_transformed = tv.transform(train_speech_df[ 'text' ])
```

Putting it all together

```
train_tv_df = pd.DataFrame(train_tv_transformed.toarray(),
                             columns=tv.get_feature_names())\
                             .add_prefix('TFIDF_')

train_speech_df = pd.concat([train_speech_df, train_tv_df],
                             axis=1, sort=False)
```

Inspecting your transforms

```
examine_row = train_tv_df.iloc[0]
```

```
print(examine_row.sort_values(ascending=False))
```

```
TFIDF_government    0.367430
TFIDF_public         0.333237
TFIDF_present       0.315182
TFIDF_duty           0.238637
TFIDF_citizens       0.229644
Name: 0, dtype: float64
```

Applying the vectorizer to new data

```
test_tv_transformed = tv.transform(test_df['text_clean'])

test_tv_df = pd.DataFrame(test_tv_transformed.toarray(),
                           columns=tv.get_feature_names())\
                           .add_prefix('TFIDF_')

test_speech_df = pd.concat([test_speech_df, test_tv_df],
                           axis=1, sort=False)
```


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Bag of words and N-grams

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Issues with bag of words

Positive meaning

Single word: *happy*

Negative meaning

Bi-gram : *not happy*

Positive meaning

Trigram : *never not happy*

Using N-grams

```
tv_bi_gram_vec = TfidfVectorizer(ngram_range = (2,2))

# Fit and apply bigram vectorizer
tv_bi_gram = tv_bi_gram_vec\
    .fit_transform(speech_df[ 'text' ])

# Print the bigram features
print(tv_bi_gram_vec.get_feature_names())
```

```
[u'american people', u'best ability ',
 u'beloved country', u'best interests' ... ]
```

Finding common words

```
# Create a DataFrame with the Counts features
tv_df = pd.DataFrame(tv_bi_gram.toarray(),
                     columns=tv_bi_gram_vec.get_feature_names())\
                     .add_prefix('Counts_')

tv_sums = tv_df.sum()
print(tv_sums.head())
```

```
Counts_administration government    12
Counts_almighty god                15
Counts_american people             36
Counts_beloved country              8
Counts_best ability                 8
dtype: int64
```

Finding common words

```
print(tv_sums.sort_values(ascending=False)).head()
```

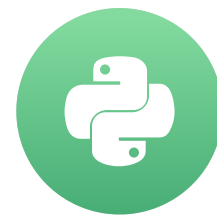
```
Counts_united states      152
Counts_fellow citizens     97
Counts_american people    36
Counts_federal government  35
Counts_self government     30
dtype: int64
```

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Wrap-up

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Chapter 1

- How to understand your data types
- Efficient encoding of categorical features
- Different ways to work with continuous variables

Chapter 2

- How to locate gaps in your data
- Best practices in dealing with the incomplete rows
- Methods to find and deal with unwanted characters

Chapter 3

- How to observe your data's distribution
- Why and how to modify this distribution
- Best practices of finding outliers and their removal

Chapter 4

- The foundations of word embeddings
- Usage of Term Frequency Inverse Document Frequency (Tf-idf)
- N-grams and its advantages over bag of words

Next steps

- Kaggle competitions
- More DataCamp courses
- Your own project

Thank You!

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