

MEDIA BIAS MONITORING

S6 Mini Project

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To classify an RSS Feed fetched from a media source and classify them using the K Nearest Neighbour Algorithm into appropriate categories.

Media Bias monitoring is the activity of monitoring the output of the print, online and broadcast media for identifying its bias towards specific areas like Business, Sports, Politics, Entertainment, Health etc. Enable the theme by loading

- Internet-based resources, such as online newspapers, blogs, and discussion forums, have increased in number, volume, and coverage and its content is regularly viewed and read by lots of people. Lately, the media has started showing bias towards specific areas.
- By the use of the popular classification algorithm, K nearest neighbour algorithm it is possible to classify the article/text fetched from the websites into specific categories.

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- In order to classify the document, the first step is to do data cleaning, including stemming and lemmatization, and removing stopwords.
- The un-normalized TF-IDF has been chosen to calculate the vector for each document.
- Each article is then classified using KNN Algorithm and Result is displayed
- The output is displayed on the webpage and stored in a database

- K nearest neighbors is a simple algorithm that stores all available cases and classifies new cases based on a similarity measure (e.g., distance functions).
- The distance function used in this case is the cosine similarity.
- The KNN algorithm is implemented in python with K=5 using cosine similarity as the method to calculate distance.

- Training Phase
 - A number of objects is Classified Manually. This is the training set. The feature vectors and class labels of these samples are stored.
 - The computer reads in this set of objects.

- 2. Classification phase
 - A new, unclassified input object (test sample) is classified by a majority vote of its neighbors.
 - – The neighbors are taken from the training set.
 - – Distances from the test sample object to all stored sample objects are calculated, and the k nearest neighbors of the object are selected.
 - – There are different ways to assign a particular class to the object
 - An object is assigned to the class C , if it is the most frequent class label among the K nearest training samples . If $K = 1$, then the class of the nearest neighbor is assigned to the object . This special case ($K = 1$) is called the nearest neighbor algorithm.

CONTROL FLOW DIAGRAM

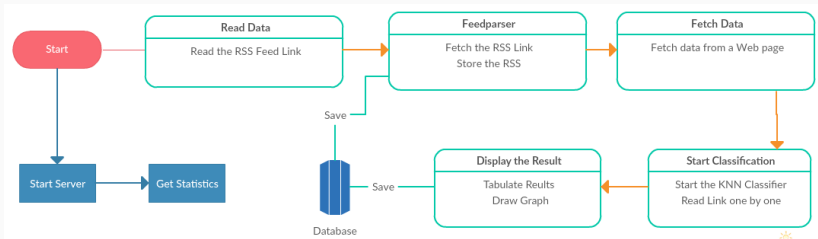


Figure: Control Flow Diagram

FLOWCHART

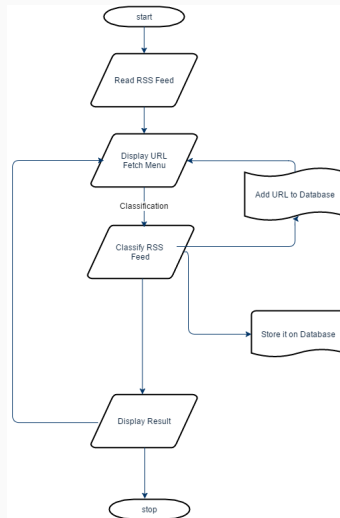


Figure: Flowchart

GENERALISED DIAGRAM

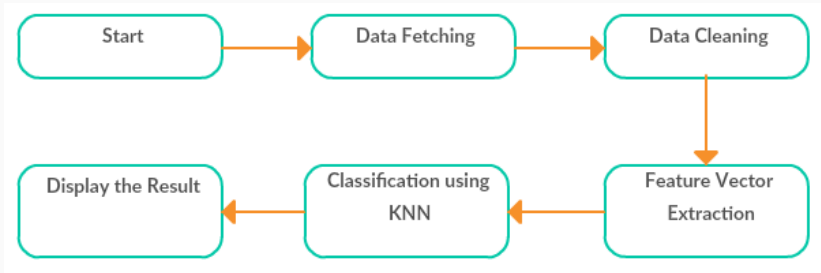


Figure: Generalised Diagram

- Python is used for coding.
- An interface is created using Django.
- The applications created are Create, display, Predict, fetch.
- HTML and bootstrap is used for creating templates.
- MySQL is used as the database.

SCREENSHOTS

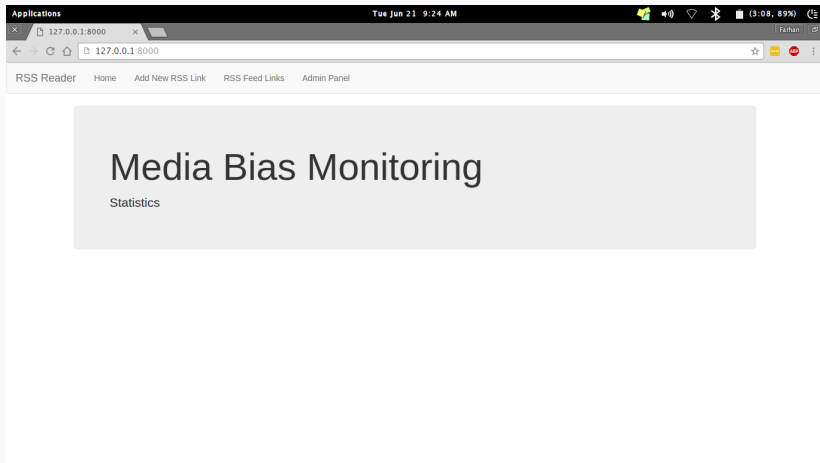


Figure: Homepage

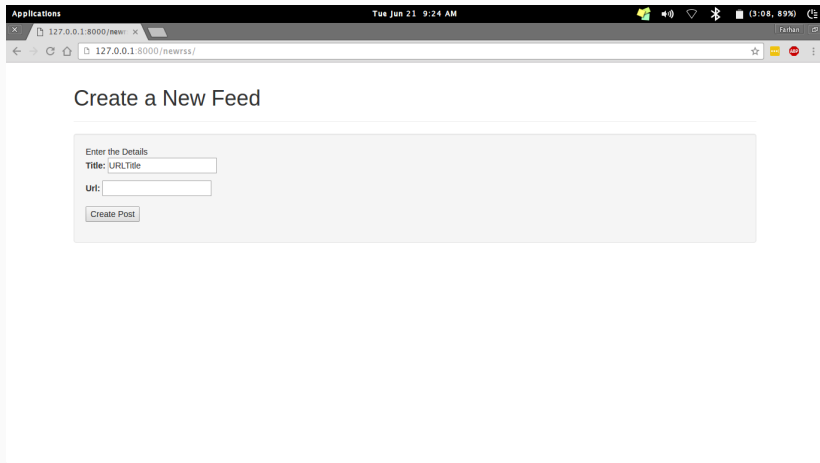


Figure: Create a new Feed

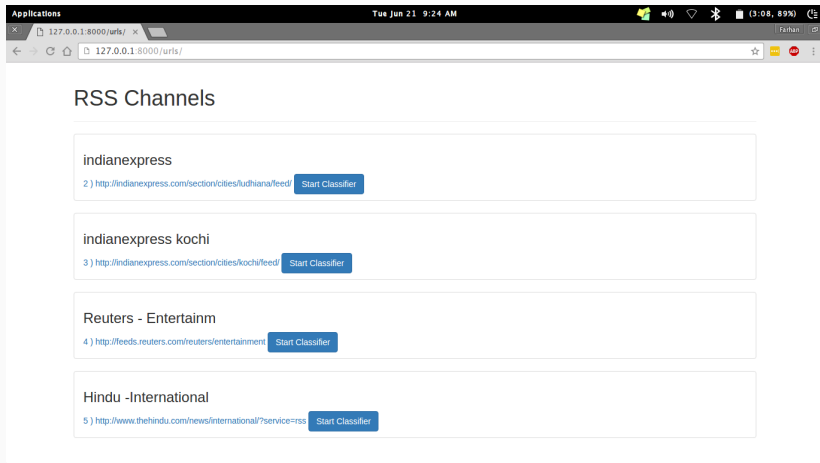


Figure: RSS Channels Display

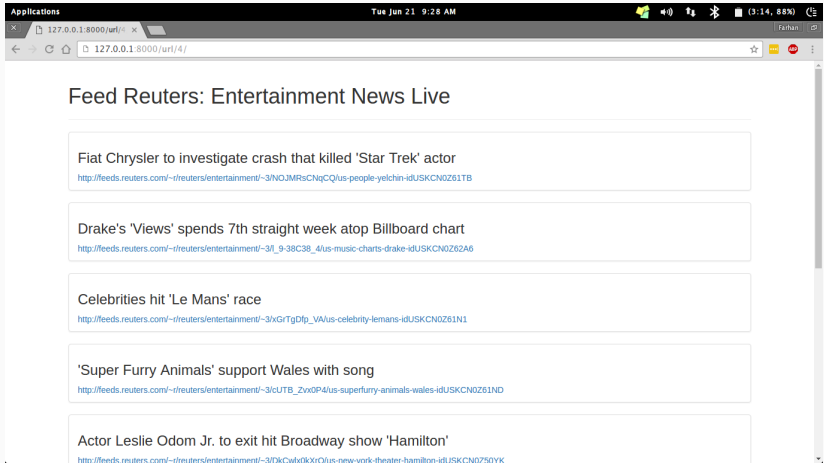


Figure: RSS Feed Display

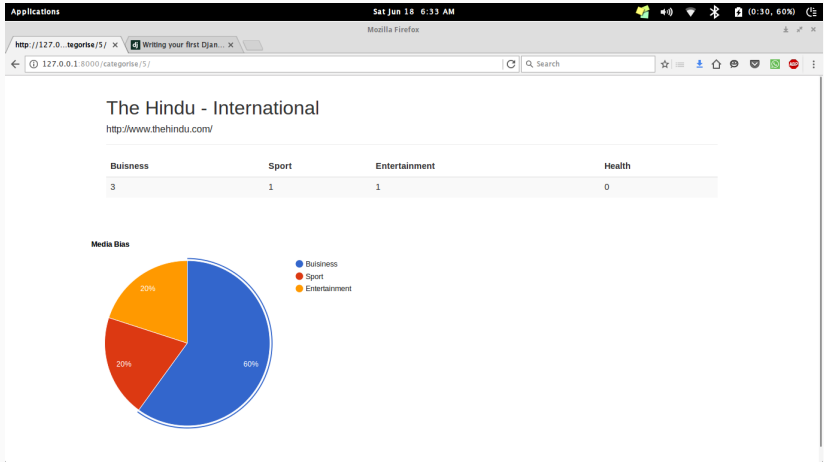


Figure: Result

CONCLUSION

Media Bias Monitoring was Implemented using KNN Classifier. Our classifier can aggregate the content in the media feeds to determine the bias towards a particular category and then generate simple data displays and charts, which enable one to get a grasp on current media bias

K-Nearest Neighbor Text Categorization Method

https://www.usenix.org/legacy/event/sec02/full_papers/liao/liao_html/node4.html

BoilerPipe <https://github.com/misja/python-boilerpipe>

Django documentation, [online]

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Python FeedParser [https:](https://pythonhosted.org/feedparser/introduction.html)

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