

Structured Sentiment Analysis

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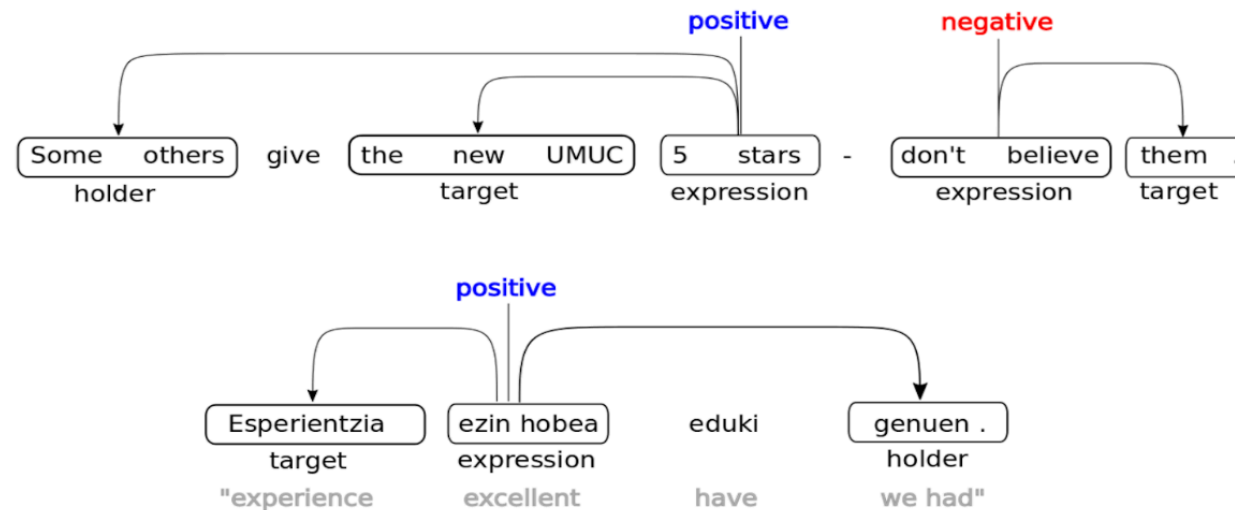


Problem Statement



Structured Sentiment Analysis

Structured Sentiment Analysis, where they attempt to predict the sentiment graphs, as seen above. Formally, the task is to extract all of the opinion tuples $O = O_1, \dots, O_n$ in a text. Each opinion O_i is a tuple (h, t, e, p) , where h is a holder who expresses a polarity p towards a target t through a sentiment expression e , implicitly defining the relationships between the elements of a sentiment graph.



Structured Sentiment Analysis as Dependency Graph parsing

- The paper explain about the structured sentiment problem as dependency graph parsing, where nodes are classified and get hierarchical structures of sentiment holders, targets and expressions and where relation between them specified by arcs.

Paper : [Link](#)

Cross-Lingual and Multilingual Problems

- In multilingual Structured Sentiment Analysis (SSA), we have a big problem: not enough data for many low-resource languages. Models like *mBERT* and *XLM-R* can work across different languages, but they are not yet fully used for structured tasks like making sentiment graphs.

Paper : [Link](#)

Monolingual

- Norec (Norwegian professional reviews in multiple domains)
- Multibooked_ca(catalan hotel reviews)
- Opener_en (English hotel reviews)
- Opener_es (Spanish hotel reviews)
- darmstadt_unis (English online university reviews)
- MPQA
- Multibooked_es(Basque hotel reviews)



Sequence Labelling

- Sequence Labeling: we try to make three BiLSTM models to get the extract holders, targets and expression and then trains a relation prediction model with the helps of max polling to create contextualized representation.
- We uses the text , first element (either holder or target), sentiment expression where we then concatenated and passed to a linear layer followed by sigmoid function.
- Training helps to predicts whether two elements have relation or not, which converts to classification problem.
- Combined all of these predictions, form a tupple of (h,t,e,p).

Sequence Labelling

- For monolingual task, we have observed 0.559 sf1 score across average of all dataset, SP is 0.672 and SR is 0.65.
- For cross-lingual task, SF1 is 0.55, SP is 0.656 and SR is 0.63.

Table 3. Comprehensive Sequence-to-Sequence Labeling Results

| Dataset | SF1 | Precision | Recall |
|----------------|-------|-----------|--------|
| Darmstadt-unis | 0.581 | 0.661 | 0.652 |
| Multibooked-ca | 0.530 | 0.650 | 0.620 |
| Multibooked-eu | 0.530 | 0.630 | 0.610 |
| NoRec | 0.541 | 0.684 | 0.651 |
| Opener-en | 0.610 | 0.700 | 0.690 |
| Opener-es | 0.600 | 0.700 | 0.690 |
| MPQA | 0.520 | 0.680 | 0.650 |

Table 4. Cross-Lingual Performance Evaluation

| Dataset | SF1 | SP | SR |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| Multibooked-ca | 0.5300 | 0.6500 | 0.6200 |
| Multibooked-eu | 0.5300 | 0.6300 | 0.6100 |
| Opener-es (Test) | 0.6000 | 0.6900 | 0.6800 |

Crosslingual

- Multibooked_ca(catalan hotel reviews)
- Opener_es (Spanish hotel reviews)
- Multibooked_eu(Basque hotel reviews)

| Dataset | Language | # sents | # holders | # targets | # expr. |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| NoReC_fine | Norwegian | 11437 | 1128 | 8923 | 11115 |
| MultiBooked_eu | Basque | 1521 | 296 | 1775 | 2328 |
| MultiBooked_ca | Catalan | 1678 | 235 | 2336 | 2756 |
| OpeNER_es | Spanish | 2057 | 255 | 3980 | 4388 |
| OpeNER_en | English | 2494 | 413 | 3850 | 4150 |
| MPQA | English | 10048 | 2279 | 2452 | 2814 |
| Darmstadt_unis | English | 2803 | 86 | 1119 | 1119 |

Intial Processing and Tokenization

- Initially Structured Sentiment Analysis (SSA) extends basic sentiment analysis by extracting four key components from text to opinion is holders, Targets, expression, Polarity.
- We employ a pre-trained RoBERTa model (Liu et al., 2019) as our encoder, specifically “NbAiLab/nb-bert-base. The encoder transforms input text into contextual embedding
- We have compared the performance of RoBERTa with bert-base, bert-medium among them we have observed RoBERTa perform better.

Tag Classification Layer

- A linear projection maps the contextual embeddings to tag logits:
- We use the BIO (Beginning-Inside-Outside) tagging scheme to represent the boundaries of opinion components, resulting in several possible tags: O, B-Source, I-Source, B-Target, I-Target, B-Polar_expression, I-Polar_expression.

$$T = WH + b \quad (1)$$

where $W \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times |Y|}$, $b \in \mathbb{R}^{|Y|}$, and $|Y|$ is the number of possible BIO tags. For a sequence of length n :

$$T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times |Y|} \quad (2)$$

Conditional Random Field

- After passing the data through Bert/ROBERTa, we have token-level hidden states, which are passed into a Conditional Random Field (CRF) layer, which helps to predict the BIO tags for quadruple (sources, targets, expression and polarity).
- CRF (Conditional Random Field) learns transition weights between tags, which helps to generate span detection while explicitly modelling constraints like "I-Source cannot follow BTarget."

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CRF}} = -\log \left(\frac{\exp(\text{score}(\text{gold_tags}))}{\sum \exp(\text{score}(\text{all_valid_tags}))} \right)$$

Methodology



Polarity Classification

- A separate classification head with multiple layers determines the sentiment polarity (Positive, Negative, or Neutral) of identified opinions using the [CLS] token representation.
- Our model struggles to capture the mixed polarity sentences like the food was great, but the service was terrible.

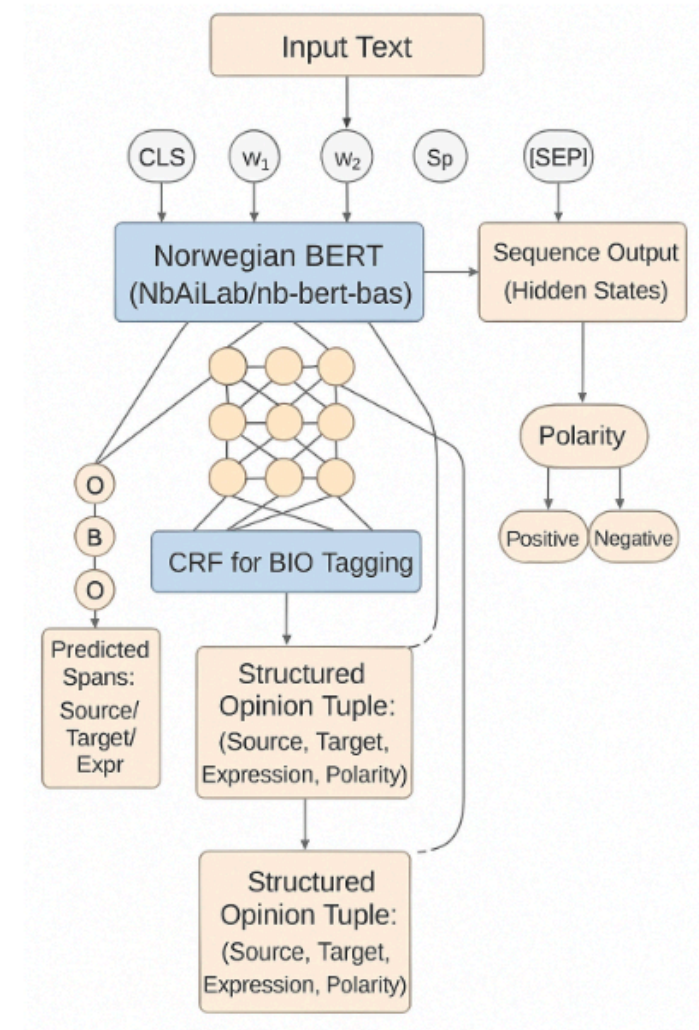


Figure 1. Model architecture for Structured Sentiment Analysis.

Structured Opinion Generation

- In the final stage we have combined the CRF-predicted spans and the polarity classifier into the structured quadruplet form of target, holder, expression, and polarity as predictions of the problem-structured sentiment analysis.
- Span boundaries are converted to character offsets from tokens with the help of BERT's offset mapping with adjacent merge.
- We also implemented the post-processing steps, filtering the spans which are shorter than 3 characters (which helps to remove noise and leads to the loss of a small portion of true predictions).

Monolingual & Crosslingual

- For all datasets, we have observed an average of SF1 to be 0.46, SP to be 0.62 and SR to be 0.63, for cross-lingual SF1 is 0.55, SP is 0.65 and SR is 0.63.

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| Multibooked-ca | 0.530 | 0.650 | 0.620 |

| Dataset | SF1 | SP | SR |
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| Multibooked-ca | 0.5300 | 0.6500 | 0.6200 |
| Multibooked-eu | 0.5300 | 0.6300 | 0.6100 |
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Cross-lingual

- For all 3 datasets, we have observed average of SF1 to be 0.402 , SP to be 0.62 and SR to 0.62.

Table 2. Cross-Lingual Performance Evaluation

| Dataset | SF1 | Precision | Recall |
|----------------|------------|------------------|---------------|
| Opener-es | 0.4000 | 0.6000 | 0.6200 |
| Multibooked-ca | 0.4001 | 0.6490 | 0.6310 |
| Multibooked-eu | 0.4071 | 0.6640 | 0.6310 |

- Role of Bert, It improves the span extraction result which performs by CRF, It performs better result specially in English and similar language that has been found.
- We have observed that polarity predictions outperformed in Multibooked_eu, Multibooked_ca, it's because we have observed that because of the number of domains and characteristics of the data, while in other data contains complex expression and ambiguous expression (different polarity on different context).
- We have seen better results in token level Bert representation as compare character level.



- In the future, we would likely to go with new approach dependency parsing and sentiment graph parsing, by augmenting the token-level representation with contextualized vector from their heads in a dependency tree (Kurtz et al., 2020).
- Exploring more on multitask-learning to get deeper understanding of dependency parse.
- Different graph parsing approaches eg Point to point Network, PERIN((Samuel and Straka, 2020).
- In sequence span extraction, we can serialized the model using large pretrained model to predict these serialized tuples.



THANK YOU!

