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1) Software Used: Python 2.7, NLTK 2.0

2) Features: Most Frequent word list

- 3) Similarity/Distance Measures: Frequency Distribution, Chi-square Test
- 3) Classifier :- Naive Bayes Classifier
- 4) References :HTTP://nltk.org/install.html,http://stackoverflow.com

Please describe the algorithms in details:

- 1) Pre-processing step:
 - a)Read the Tweets. Removed the **Stop words, sms Abbreviations,URL** after tokening the tweets
 - b) Remove the substring of #,@ and other punctuations.
 - c)Separated the tweets of the two kinds into separate list of sports and politics tweets.
- 2) Training Algorithm: Naive Bayes Classifier
 - a)separated the tweets into Politics and sports
 - b)Generated the tokens for each type of tweets
 - c)Calculated the **score** for both the politics and sports words from the list of tokens
 - d)generated bi-grams from the tokens for both sports and Politics features
 - e)selected the **best words pairs** from the generated features of bi-gram and unigrams based on **chi-square test**
 - f)Learned the Classifier.

Input Format:-<tweeetid label tweet> in txt file

Tunable Parameters:-None

Output Format:-<tweetid tweet> in txt file

- 3) Validation and Parameter Tuning:
 - a)Divided the Training data into 1:4 folds
 - b)4 folds used for training and 1 fold for testing
 - c)generated the scores for sports feature set and politics feature set.
 - d)validated the training set against the best scores
- 4) Testing Algorithm:

a)decomposed the test tweet into features.

b)classified the generated feature based on the learned classifier and returned the label

Explanation of results on validation data:

Naive Bayes Classifier is based on the probability of occurrence of a word in a feature set, the generated labels for the testing data are based on the probability of occurrence in the given tweet.

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More over the occurrence of a bi-grams of a specific class with a high score in a given tweet increases the probability of its being classified as that class.

The Chi-square test based score evaluation for the bi-grams accounts for the results from the algorithm.

The accuracy of **84.4579** on the validation data is due to **the 3 step procedure** of the algorithm which include:

- 1) The removal of all the stop words including the SMS slangs used in tweets.
- 2) Separation of the two types of tweets and learning features for them separately.
- 3) The computation of bi grams based on chi-square has increased the accuracy.

The algorithm can be further improved if n-grams are used and some important **keywords for sports and politics** are given high weights and are included in during the scoring.

The above **biasing of score** based on keywords can significantly improve the results.
