Reproducible Report Submission

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Conditional Probability

I use very simple concept, condition probability, to complete the predictive model. For example, if user input "a lot of", then the probability of the next word is "people" is

$$P(next \ word \ is \ people | a \ lot \ of) = \frac{P(a \ lot \ of \ people)}{P(a \ lot \ of)}$$

The equation gives us 3-gram example, can be apply to n-gram, and it can implement easily in R as follows:

```
setwd("C:/Users/asus/Downloads/final/en_US")
news=readLines("news_clean.txt",n=100000)
length(grep("a lot of people",news))/length(grep("a lot of .",news))
```

```
## [1] 0.08508509
```

In general, we want to output the most likely outcome, such as 10 highest probability words

```
##
            word probability
## 273
         people 0.08008008
## 423
                 0.03803804
            time
## 418
          things 0.03103103
## 413
            the 0.02202202
## 160
            good 0.02102102
## 237
          money
                 0.02002002
## 154
            fun 0.01601602
## 101 different
                 0.01201201
## 462
            work 0.01201201
## 200
             it 0.01101101
```

Model Fitting

In order to make the model smaller and more efficient, we drop lines doesn't contain the top ten frequencies 3-grams. Randomly assign 60% of data to training set, 20% to test set and 20% to validation set.

Training Set

This data set is used to fit the original model.

```
pred=function(input,n){
        input<-tolower(input)</pre>
        input <-gsub("[^0-9a-z]","",input)
        pattern=paste(paste(rev(rev(strsplit(input," ")[[1]])[1:n]),collapse = " "),".",sep=" ")
        x=train_data[grep(pattern,train_data)]
        if(length(x)!=0){
                word=c()
                for(i in 1:length(x)){
                         seg=paste0(paste(rev(rev(strsplit(input," ")[[1]])[1:n]),collapse = " ")," ")
                         word=append(word,strsplit(strsplit(x[i],seg)[[1]][2]," ")[[1]][1])
                }
                word<-gsub("\"","",word)</pre>
                output=as.data.frame(table(word))
                output$probability<-output$Freq/length(x)</pre>
                head(output[order(output$probability,decreasing=TRUE),c("word","probability")],10)
        }else{
                data.frame("word"="","probability"="")
             }
}
```

For example, if user input "I am afraid I won't be able to" and use 3-gram, then the output is

```
pred("I am afraid I won't be able to",3)
```

```
##
        word probability
        get 0.05520027
## 437
## 294
             0.04123191
         do
## 578
             0.03382699
       make
## 861
         see 0.02642208
## 445
             0.02423426
         go
## 398
             0.01868058
       find
## 1043
             0.01413665
        use
## 978
       take 0.01363177
## 671
       play
             0.01312689
## 475 help 0.01295860
```

In some cases people type words does not appear in the corpora, then the output is

```
pred("el3vul4",1)
## word probability
```

Test Set

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This data set is used to predict, if the output doesn't contain the next word of top ten frequencies 3-grams, then add the line to training set. For example, "I'm afraid I won't be able to come",and "come" doesn't in the output, then we move this sentece to training set.

```
pattern=c("one of the","a lot of","to be a","i want to","be able to","out of the",
    "going to be","some of the","as well as","the fact that")
for(i in 1:10){
        output=pred(pattern[i],3)$word
        index=grep(paste(pattern[i],".",sep=" "),test_data)
        test_freq_word=test_data[index]
        add_index=c()
        for(j in 1:length(index)){
            word=strsplit(strsplit(test_freq_word[j],paste(pattern[i]," ",sep=""))[[1]][2]," ")[[1]]
            word<-gsub("[^0-9a-z\]","",word)
            if(!word %in% output){
                  add_index=append(add_index,j)
            }
        }
        train_data=append(train_data,test_freq_word[add_index])
}</pre>
```

Validation Set

This data set is used to check the model performance, notice that if the next word in function pred output, then we think the prediction is correct.

```
pattern=c("one of the","a lot of","to be a","i want to","be able to","out of the",
  "going to be", "some of the", "as well as", "the fact that")
n=0
m=c()
for(i in 1:10){
        output=pred(pattern[i],3)$word
        index=grep(paste(pattern[i],".",sep=" "),validation_data)
        val_freq_word=validation_data[index]
        n=n+length(val_freq_word)
        for(j in 1:length(index)){
                word=strsplit(strsplit(val_freq_word[j],paste(pattern[i]," ",sep=""))[[1]][2]," ")[[1]]
                word < -gsub("[^0-9a-z]", "", word)
                if(word %in% output){
                        m=append(m,j)
                }
        }
length(m)/n
```

[1] 0.3203547

Discussion

We use the function pred to build a predictive model, the accuracy is 32%, it's pretty low, but the model just gives ten possible outcome, we can expect higher accuracy if the model give us more outcome. The method I use is strongly rely on data, it is unable to handle cases where a particular n-gram isn't observed, but the adventage is simple and intuitive.