Email Spam Classification Report

Introduction

We've all been the recipient of spam emails before. Spam mail, or junk mail, is a type of email that is sent to a massive number of users at one time, frequently containing cryptic messages, scams, or most dangerously, phishing content.

While spam emails are sometimes sent manually by a human, most often, they are sent using a bot. Most popular email platforms, like Gmail and Microsoft Outlook, automatically filter spam emails by screening for recognizable phrases and patterns. A few common spam emails include fake advertisements, chain emails, and impersonation attempts. While these built-in spam detectors are usually pretty effective, sometimes, a particularly well-disguised spam email may fall through the cracks, landing in your inbox instead of your spam folder.

Clicking on a spam email can be dangerous, exposing your computer and personal information to different types of malware. Therefore, it's important to implement additional safety measures to protect your device, especially when it handles sensitive information like user data.

In this, we'll use Python to build an email spam detector. Then, we'll use machine learning to train our spam detector to recognize and classify emails into spam and non-spam.

Prerequisites

First, we'll import the necessary dependencies. NumPy is a Python library used for working with arrays. It also has functions for working in the domain of linear algebra, fourier transform, and matrices. NumPy aims to provide an array object that is up to 50x faster than traditional Python lists.

Pandas is a Python library used for working with data sets. It has functions for analyzing, cleaning, exploring, and manipulating data. Pandas allows us to analyze big data and make conclusions based on statistical theories. Pandas can clean messy data sets, and make them readable and relevant.

Scikit-learn, also called Sklearn, is a robust library for machine learning in Python. It provides a selection of efficient tools for machine learning and statistical modeling, including classification, regression, clustering, and dimensionality reduction via a consistent interface.

Run the command below to import the necessary dependencies:

```
import numpy as np # linear algebra

import pandas as pd # data processing, CSV file I/O (e.g. pd.read_csv)

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB

from sklearn.svm import SVC

from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier

from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
```

Getting started

To get started, first, run the code below:

```
df = pd.read_csv("/content/emails.csv")
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In the code above, we created an "emails.csv" file, which we'll turn into a data frame and save to our folder spam. A data frame is a structure that aligns data in a tabular fashion in rows and columns.

Python train test split()

We'll use a train-test split method to train our email spam detector to recognize and categorize spam emails. The train-test split is a technique for evaluating the performance of a machine learning algorithm. We can use it for either classification or regression of any supervised learning algorithm.

The procedure involves taking a dataset and dividing it into two separate datasets. The first dataset is used to fit the model and is referred to as the training dataset. For the second dataset, the test dataset, we provide the input element to the model. Finally, we make predictions, comparing them against the actual output.

- Train dataset: used to fit the machine learning model
- Test dataset: used to evaluate the fit of the machine learning model

In practice, we'd fit the model on available data with known inputs and outputs. Then, we'd make predictions based on new examples for which we don't have the expected output or target values.

To split the data into our two datasets, we'll use scikit-learn's train_test_split() method.

Let's say we have 100 records in the loaded dataset. If we specify the test dataset is 30 percent, we'll split 70 records for training and use the remaining 30 records for testing.

Run the command below:

```
train_x, test_x, train_y, test_y = train_test_split(X,Y, test_size = 0.25)
The function z_train, z_test,y_train, y_test = train_test_split(z,y,test_size = 0.25) divides columns z and y into z_train for training inputs, y_train for
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training labels, z test for testing inputs, and y test for testing labels.

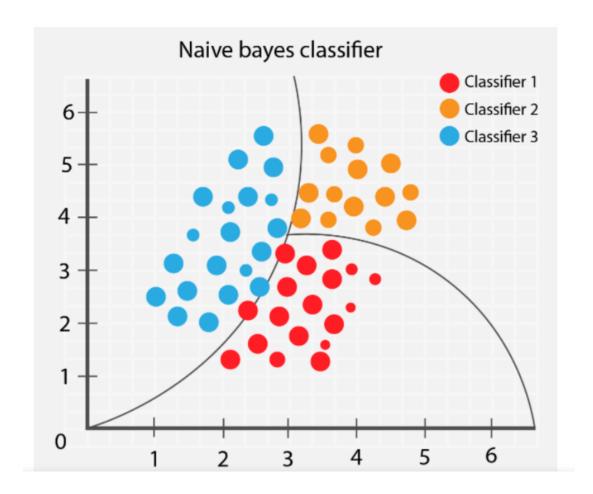
test size=0.25 sets the testing set to 25 percent of z and y.

Building the model

Naive Bayes:

The Naïve Bayes algorithm is a supervised learning algorithm, which is based on Bayes theorem and used for solving classification problems. It is mainly used in *text classification* that includes a high-dimensional training dataset. The Naïve Bayes Classifier is one of the simple and most effective

Classification algorithms which helps in building the fast machine learning models that can make quick predictions. It is a probabilistic classifier, which means it predicts on the basis of the probability of an object.



Let's create an Naive Bayes model with the code below:

```
mnb = MultinomialNB(alpha=1.9)  # alpha by default is 1. alpha must
always be > 0.

# alpha is the '1' in the formula for Laplace Smoothing (P(words))

mnb.fit(train_x,train_y)

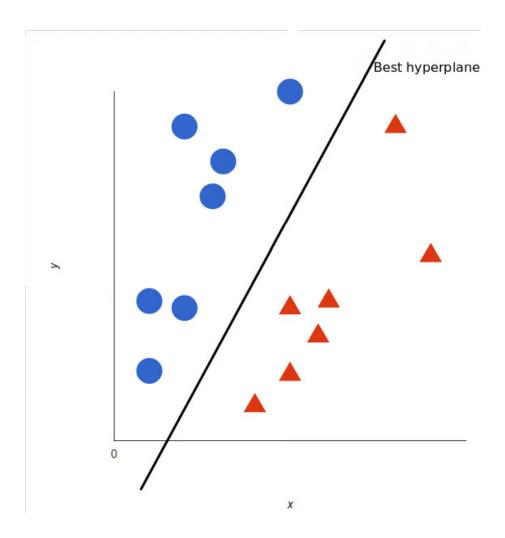
y_pred1 = mnb.predict(test_x)

print("Accuracy Score for Naive Bayes : ", accuracy_score(y_pred1,test_y))

Accuracy Score for Naive Bayes : 0.9365815931941222
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Support Vector Machine:

SVM, the support vector machine algorithm, is a linear model for classification and regression. The idea of SVM is simple, the algorithm creates a line, or a hyperplane, which separates the data into classes. SVM can solve both linear and non-linear problems:



Support Vector Machine is the most sought after algorithm for classic classification problems. SVMs work on the algorithm of Maximal Margin, i.e, to find the maximum margin or threshold between the support vectors of the two classes (in binary classification). The most effective Support vector machines are the soft maximal margin classifier, that allows one misclassification, i.e, the model starts with low bias(slightly poor performance) to ensure low variance later.

Let's create an SVM model with the code below:

```
svc = SVC(C=1.0,kernel='rbf',gamma='auto')
svc.fit(train_x,train_y)
y_pred2 = svc.predict(test_x)
print("Accuracy Score for SVC : ", accuracy_score(y_pred2,test_y))
Accuracy Score for SVC : 0.888631090487239
```

model = svm.SVC() assigns svm.SVC() to the model. In the model.fit(features,y_train) function, model.fit trains the model with features and y_train. Then, it checks the prediction against the y_train label and adjusts its parameters until it reaches the highest possible accuracy.

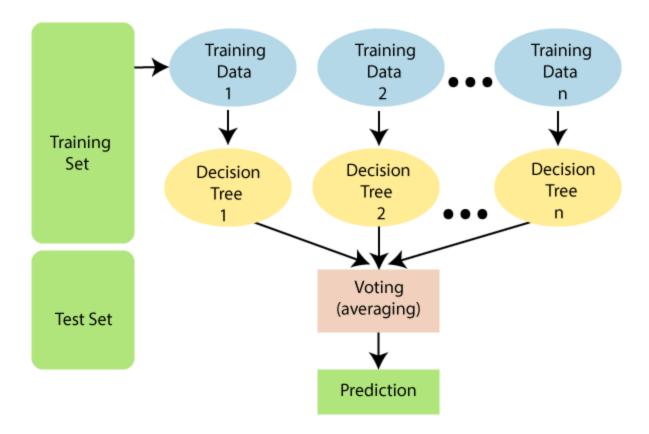
As expected, SVM's performance is poorer than Naive bayes.

Random Forest:

Random Forest is a popular machine learning algorithm that belongs to the supervised learning technique. It can be used for both Classification and Regression problems in ML. It is based on the concept of ensemble learning, which is a process of *combining multiple classifiers to solve a complex problem and to improve the performance of the model*.

As the name suggests, "Random Forest is a classifier that contains a number of decision trees on various subsets of the given dataset and takes the average to improve the predictive accuracy of that dataset." Instead of relying on one decision tree, the random forest takes the prediction from each tree and based on the majority votes of predictions, and it predicts the final output.

The greater number of trees in the forest leads to higher accuracy and prevents the problem of overfitting.



Below are some points that explain why we should use the Random Forest algorithm:

o It takes less training time as compared to other algorithms.

- It predicts output with high accuracy, even for the large dataset it runs efficiently.
- It can also maintain accuracy when a large proportion of data is missing.

Let's create an Random Forest model with the code below:

```
rfc = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators=100,criterion='gini')
# n_estimators = No. of trees in the forest
# criterion = basis of making the decision tree split, either on gini
impurity('gini'), or on information gain('entropy')
rfc.fit(train_x,train_y)
y_pred3 = rfc.predict(test_x)
print("Accuracy Score of Random Forest Classifier : ",
accuracy_score(y_pred3,test_y))
Accuracy Score of Random Forest Classifier : 0.9682907965970611
```

Random Forest model is also called as bagging method.

These ensemble methods turn any feeble model into a highly powerful one. So Random Forest method has the highest accuracy than other methods.

Conclusion:

This system, in addition to lessening the workload, also fixes any false data about the users that they may have. It is a benefit for the users' who's important time and data is preserved, for the Affected users or

authority whose data is immensely important, whose data will be secured from misuse.

We are able to classify email as spam or non spam. With a huge number of emails if people are using the system it will be difficult to handle all the possible mails as our project deals with only a limited amount.

The website is for end users, it is user friendly. Because of the end user it uses without any other help and without any conflicts. The website goal is "Email Spam or Non Spam" using machine learning, related to its use for free and maintenance (coding, updates, uploading data, datasets, etc) cost is less. Many goals was successfully completed and achieved by us.