Subreddit Classification Using Natural Language Processing

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Which Subreddit?

Build a model to classify a subreddit post as belonging to either r/artificial or r/datascience

Project Pipeline









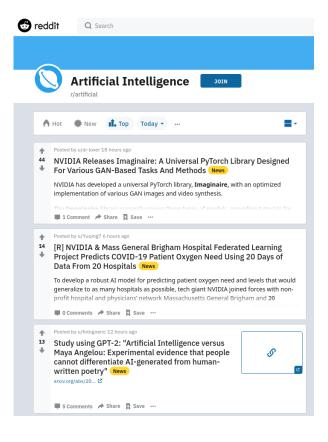




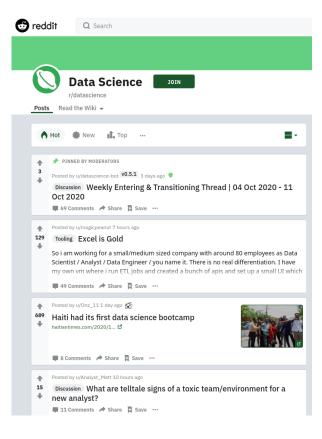
Data Acquisition Data Pre-Processing Data Visualization Baseline Naïve Bayes Optimal Model Conclusions

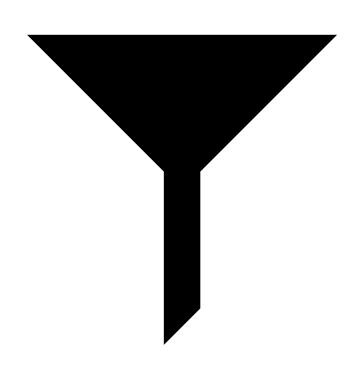
Data Collected with Pushshift API

r/artificial



r/datascience





Data Cleaning Reduced Noise

- Dropped [removed] and [deleted] posts
- Dropped entries with missing post text
- Created 'all_text' feature
- Regex

Regex Used to Clean Text

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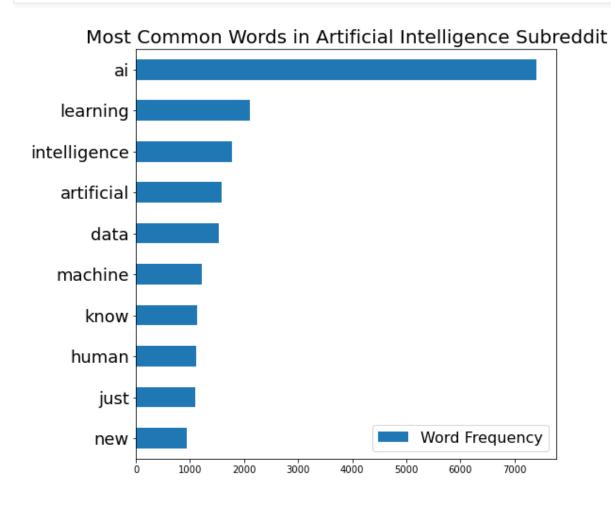
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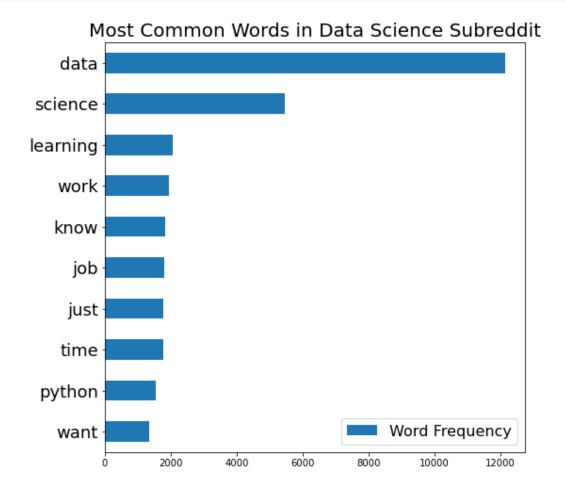
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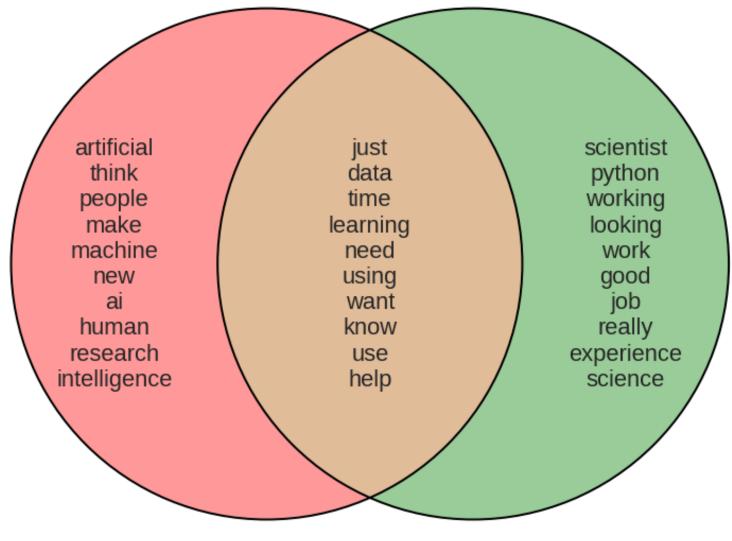
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How Much Overlap in Top Words?





Top Words Overlap ~70%



Artificial Intelligence

Data Science

Data Pre-Processing and Vectorization

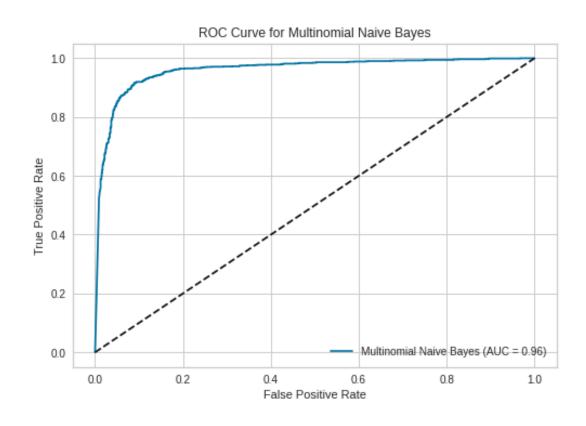
Pre-Processing

- Tokenizing
- Stemming
- Lemmatizing

Vectorization

- CountVectorizer
- TfidfVectorizer

Multinomial Naïve Bayes with CountVectorizer Achieved 90.67% Accuracy



| Testing Accuracy | Training Accuracy |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 90.67% | 95.53% |

Multinomial Naïve Bayes

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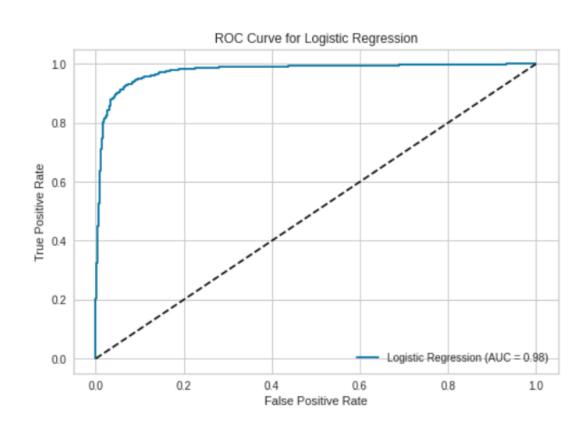
CountVectorizer

ngram_range (1,3)

 $max_df 0.5$

min_df 2

Logistic Regression with Stemming and TfidfVectorizer Achieved 92.66% Accuracy



| Testing Accuracy | Training Accuracy |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 92.66% | 97.85% |

Logistic Regression

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TfidfVectorizer

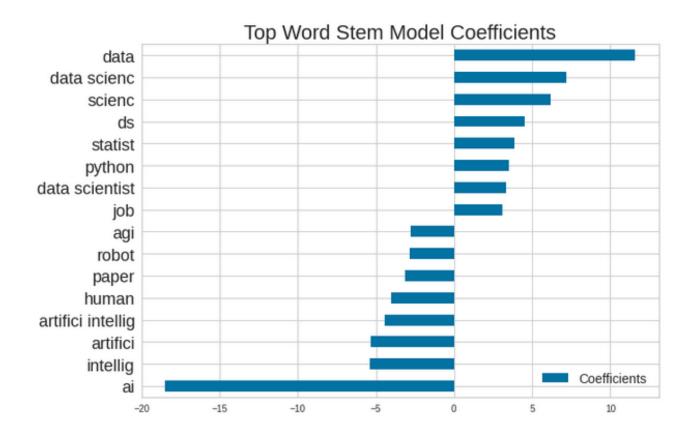
preprocessor stemming

ngram_range (1,3)

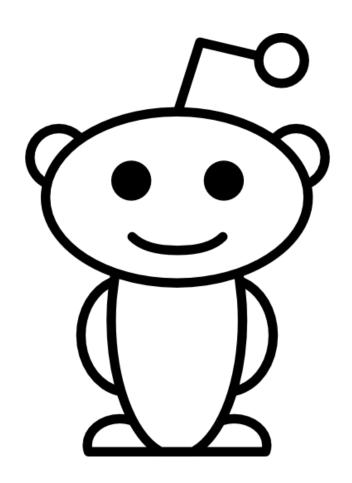
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Word Stems that Most Influenced the Classifier



Target Labels
r/datascience 1
r/artificial 0



Conclusions

- Logistic regression with tuned hyperparameters
 - 92.66% accuracy
 - Coefficients
- More text = better model
 - More relevant?
- Next Steps
 - Bias/variance tradeoff
 - New posts in r/datascience, r/artificial
 - r/deeplearning, r/learnmachinelearning

Questions?

Thank you!