Classification and Categorization

Classification

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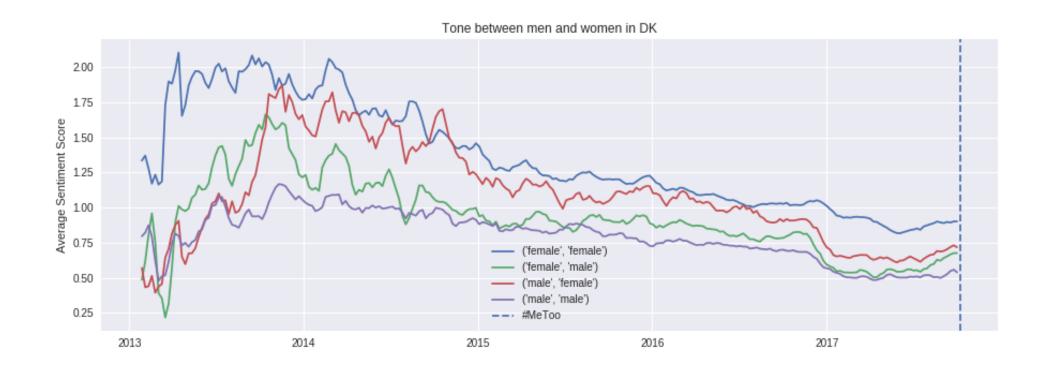
Lexical and Rulebased approaches to Text Classification

Simple Keyword/Phrase Matching rules, are used for topic classification and sentiment analysis.

Pros

- Comes with very low cost.
- Fast and scalable.
- Good for prototyping results.
- Sufficient for certain tasks (e.g. topic classification)
- Use for Weak Supervision

300 million documents, more 5 million unique tokens. How to inquire?





Sentiment analysis

- Purely Lexical: Naively Matching positive words.
 - "You are beautiful."
- Rule-based: Can Adopt hard-coded rules to counter more or less simple negations.
 - "You are not particularly beautiful."

Examples

- Afinn (is danish!): http://neuro.imm.dtu.dk/wiki/AFINN
- Liu Hu (lexical):http://www.cs.uic.edu/~liub/FBS/sentiment-analysis.html and
- Vader (lexical and rulebased): https://github.com/cjhutto/vaderSentiment



issues with the lexical-based approach (1)

"Pretty. Pretty actresses and actors. Pretty bad script. Pretty frequent "let's strip to our undies" scenes. Pretty fair F/X. Pretty jarring location decisions (the college dorm room looks like a high-end hotel room - probably because it was shot at a hotel). Pretty bland storyline. Pretty awful dialog. Pretty locations. Pretty annoying editing, unless you like the music video flash-cut style. This one isn't a guilty pleasure - this is more an embarrassing one. If you must watch this, pick a good dance/techno album and turn the sound off on the movie - you'll see the pretty people in their pretty black undies, and probably follow the story just fine. The cast may be able to act - I doubt that anyone could look skilled given the lines/plot that they had to deal with."



issues with the lexical-based approach (2)

Atomized words: How well can meaning be derived from atomized words?

- Not applicable to more complex rulebased versions:
 - e.g. VADER
 - E.g. Argument dictionary phrase-based. (https://mpqa.cs.pitt.edu/lexicons/arg_lexicon/)

What is the Recall?

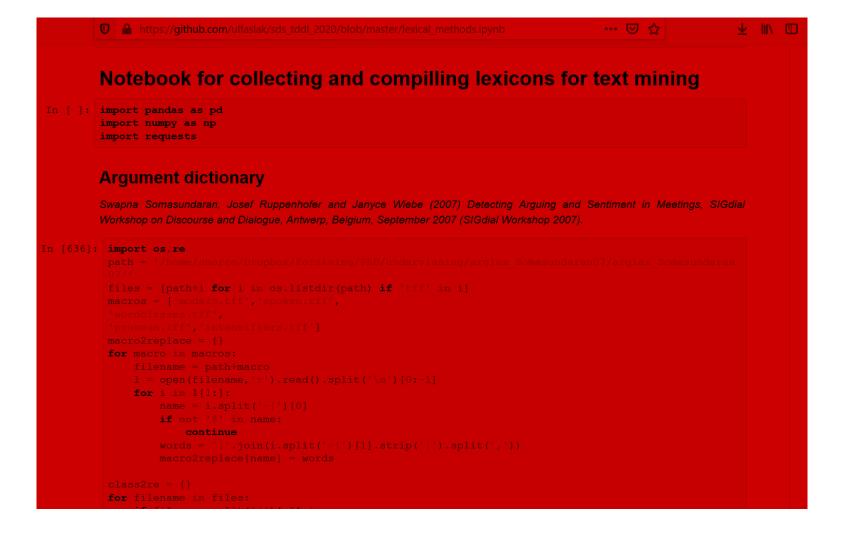
Bad practice using dictionaries without explicit validation.

Conglomerates of words = Concept?

• What is the theoretical validity of a collection of words, scraped from many sources, validated at some historical point in time, given some score by a number people (students, amazonturks)?



** See notebook lexical_mining.ipynb for a compilation of lexicon classifiers**





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def text2argfeatures(text):
   for name, regex in class2re.items():
   return d
import pickle
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Lexicon and Rulebased classifiers as Noisy labels

Rules can be more than Keyword/Phrase matching.

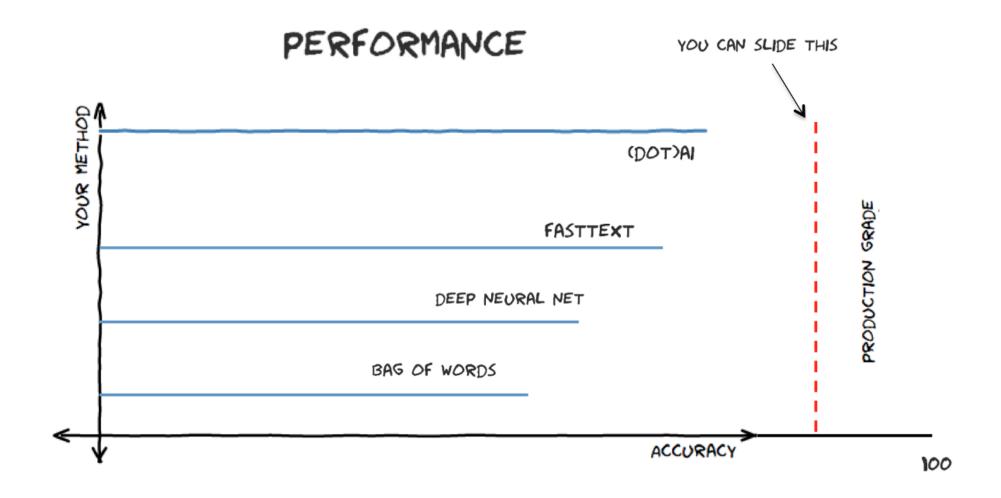
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        havent|hasnt|hadnt|cant|couldnt|shouldnt|
        wont|wouldnt|dont|doesnt|didnt|isnt|arent|aint
    )$
)
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- Can include NLP systems for parsing.
 - Detect negative emotion directed at women.
 - Match Negative Emotion from lexicon.
 - Use parser to find documents with woman as objects.



Lexicon and Rulebased classifiers as Noisy labels

- Use for Exploration:
 - Explore variance given many different keywords.
 - Lexicon disagreement as sources of variance.
- Use for Prototyping:
 - Initial Results to lead the research questions.
- Use as Noisy labels / Weak Supervision:
 - E.g. DeepMoji build on the idea that Emoji are labels that carry rich information.
 - Snorkel: Define several noisy classifiers evaluate them and use labels proportional to the accuracy for training a new classifier on full data.





Theoretical value

Setting up a good baseline for understanding progress and task difficulty.

- Baselines and bigrams.
- Comparing prediction between simple BoW models to a more Complex model allow you to understand what the model has "learned".

Practical Value

- Potential bias in more complex NLP systems and Language Models.
- Efficiency → e.g. for human-in-the-loop training i.e. Active Learning.

Active Learning for text data

Solution to the "Rare case problem" in text data.

Procedure

- 1. Train a model on a random sample (or use weak supervision e.g. lexical approach).
- 2. Use the model prediction to sample new data to be labelled if "uncertain".
- 3. Retrain model, and repeat step 2. and 3.



Baselines and Bigrams

- Combine the Naive Bayes with an SVM (NBSVM)
- Use Naive Bayes as feature selector, and perform simple regularized linear regression. "NBLOG"

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{p} &= \alpha + \sum_{i:y^{(i)}=1} \mathbf{f}^{(i)} \\ \mathbf{q} &= \alpha + \sum_{i:y^{(i)}=-1} \mathbf{f}^{(i)} \\ \mathbf{r} &= \log \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}/\|\mathbf{p}\|_1}{\mathbf{q}/\|\mathbf{q}\|_1} \right) \end{split}$$
 Where α is the laplace smoothing parameter and $\mathbf{f}^{(i)}$ is a count of feature i



Baselines and Bigrams

- Combine the Naive Bayes with an SVM (NBSVM), or regularized logistic regression. "NBLOG"
- Naive Bayes as feature selector
- Why does this ratio help?

$$\mathbf{r} = \log\left(\frac{\mathbf{p}/\|\mathbf{p}\|_1}{\mathbf{q}/\|\mathbf{q}\|_1}\right)$$

$$\sum_{i}^{n} (y_i - \widehat{y}_i)^2 + \lambda \sum_{j}^{p} ||\beta_j||$$

 β is will be more costly for rare words, even if they distinquish the categories better.

Naive Bayes Ratio as input

- How much more probable is the word "bacon" in the positive reviews, than the negative review?
- or even better with trigrams
- How much more probable is the trigram "not enough bacon" in the negative reviews.

Getting Baselines

• Jump to Code in baseline_classification.ipynb