

Discussion Detox

Multilingual Machine Learning algorithms
to identify toxic comments on the internet

Author: Drenizë Rama

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Introduction

01

Data

02

Methods

03

Results

04

Recommendations

05

Future Work

06

**“INTERNET RULE #1:
Never read the comments.”**

— WIRED

02 | the data

Example comment #1:

"What a motherfucking
piece of crap those
fuckheads for blocking
us!"

Example comment #2:

"Hey, faggot.
You fucking retard. You better
quit undoing my vandalism,
bitchboy."

Example comment #3:

"but ew
He was a fag which is against nature and
is the most disgusting thing. Youre not
a woman are you? Sexism is wrong. Being
wrong is for women."

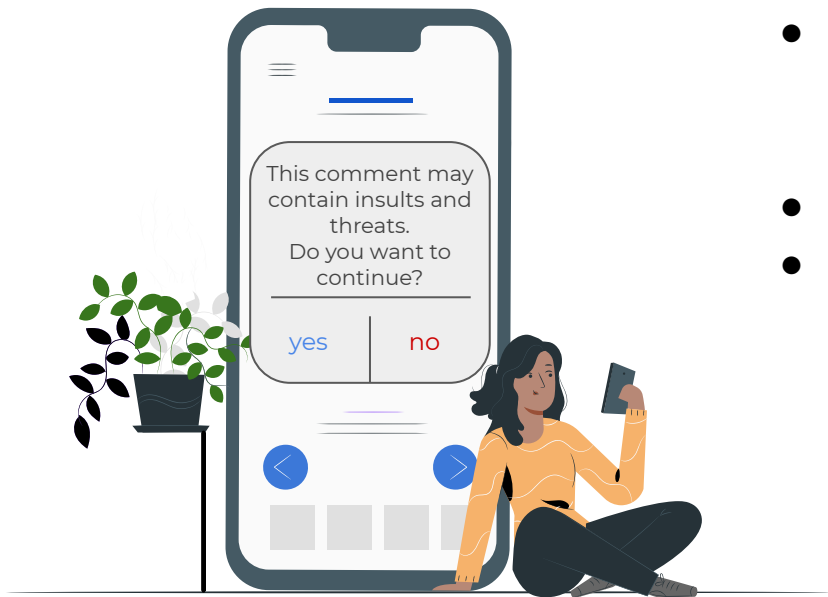
01 | introduction

An **online newspaper** or a **social media web host** wants to keep the discussions under each article clean and respectful

However, going through every comment manually is tiresome and very expensive



01 | introduction

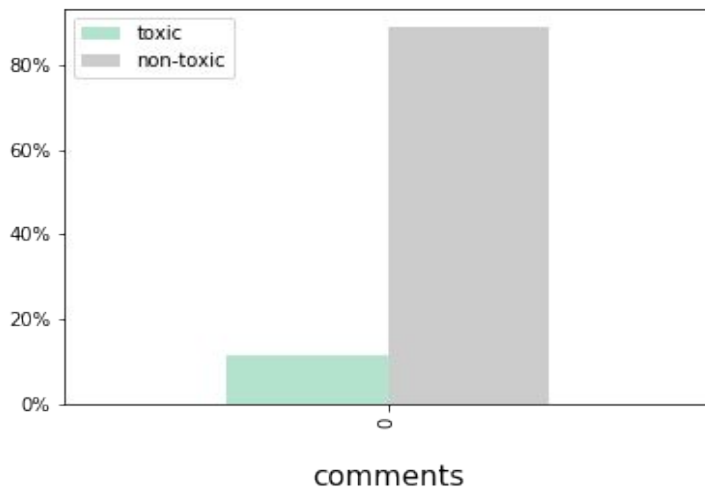


goal

- build a **natural language algorithm** that classifies social media comments into toxic and non-toxic categories
- at a **low cost**
- across **different languages**

02 | the data

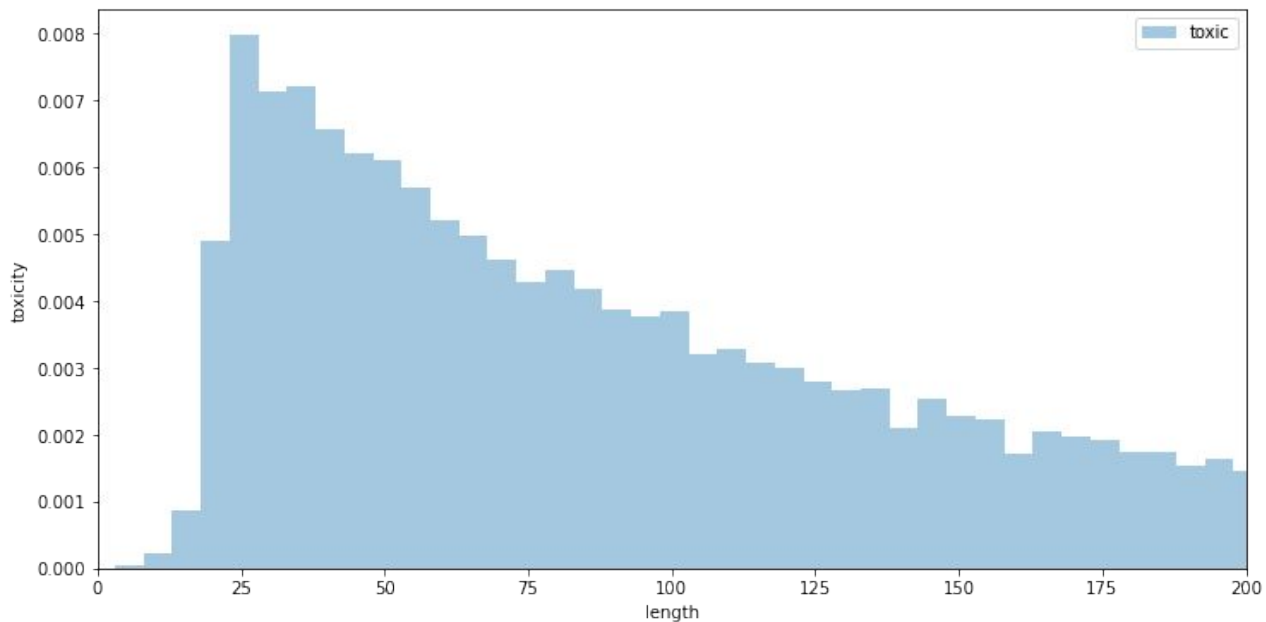
The overall amount of toxic comments is 11.4%



- Data was **provided by Google** and Jigsaw
- **Publication** dates of the comments range from **2015 to 2017**
- **223,549** comments in train set

02 | the data

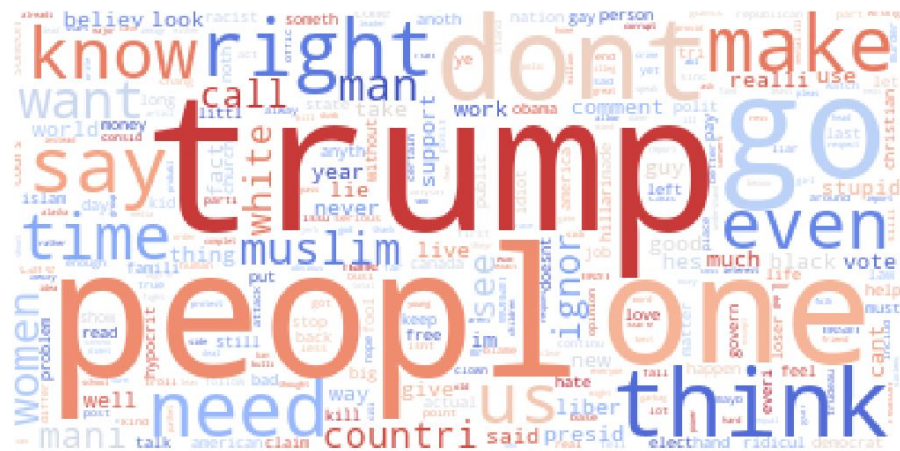
The more hate - the shorter the comments



02 | the data

frequently used words

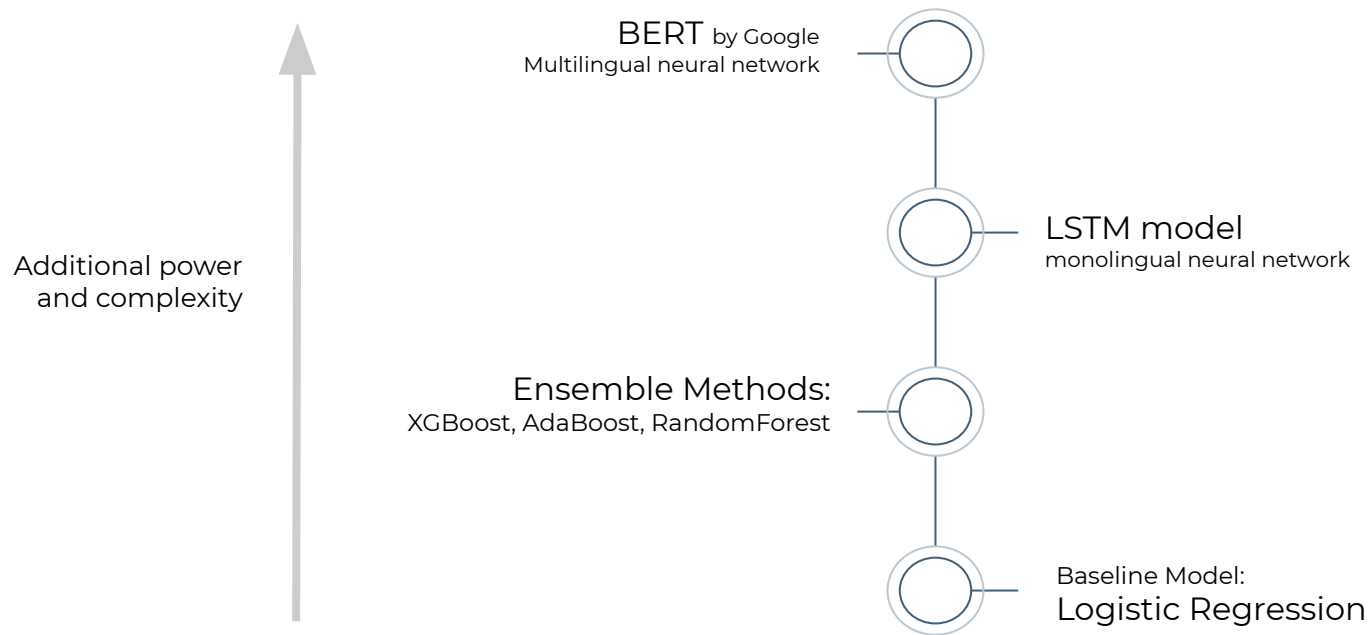
In toxic comments



In comments containing identity attack



03 | methods



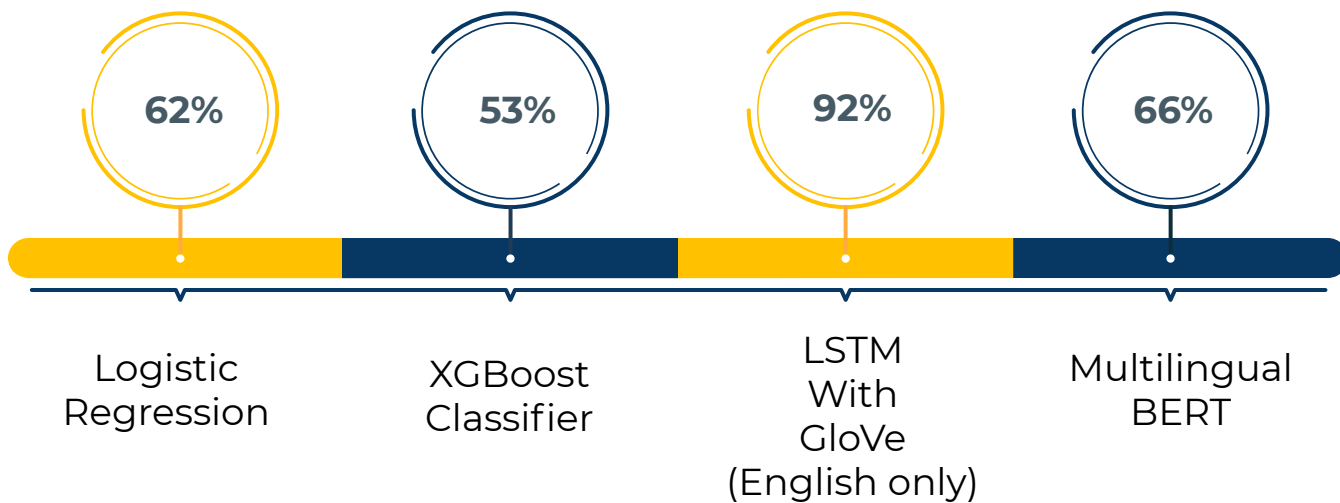
03 | methods

How Natural Language Processing works



04 | results

At what rate do the models predict toxic comments correctly? (recall)



Multilingual Toxic Comments Classifier on Google Cloud Platform

Test your model on new snippets or documents

Test your model on text or documents that capture the diversity of your expected inputs.

[Learn more](#)

☐ Select a file on Cloud Storage

gs:// *

BROWSE

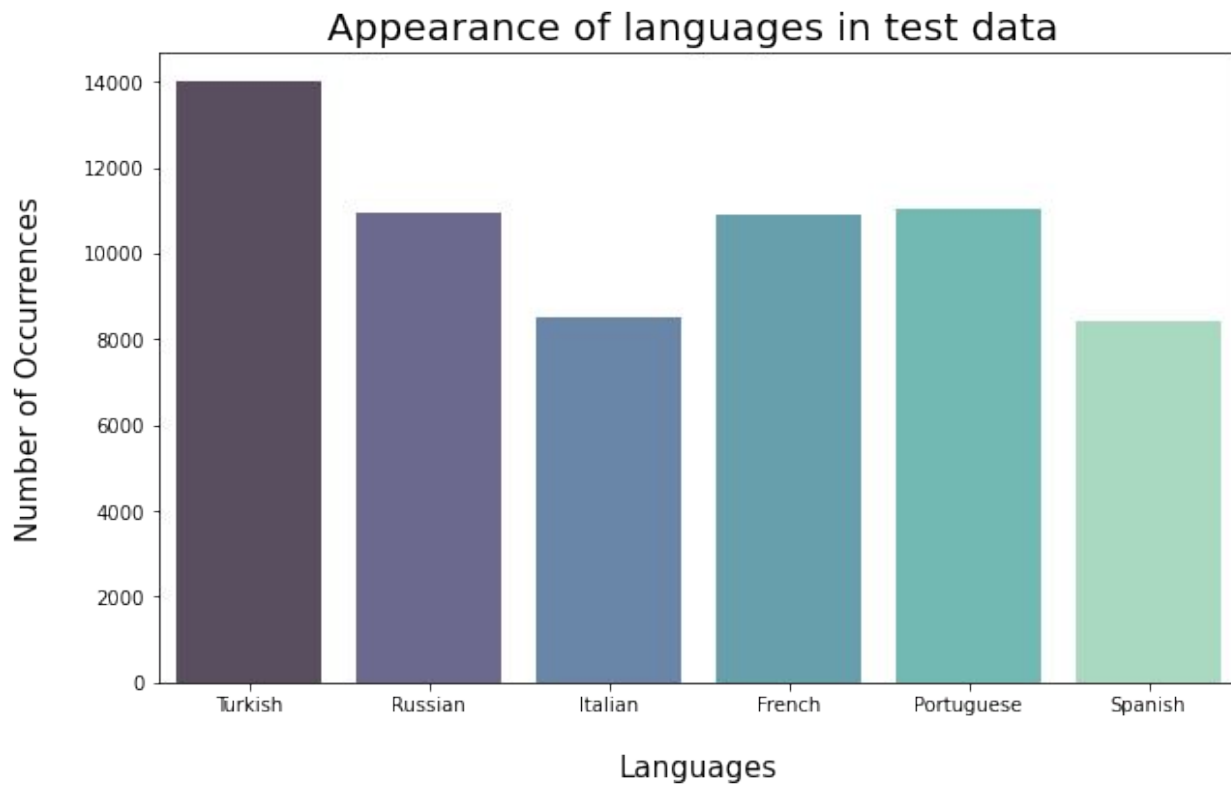
☒ Input text below

I

60000 characters remaining

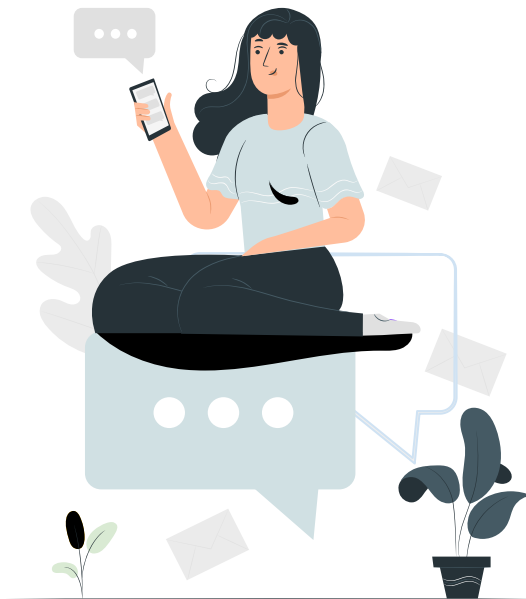
PREDICT

Appendix



05 | recommendations

- reduce costs of identifying toxic comments with simple models
- Use pre-trained word embeddings to improve model performance
- Invest in training multilingual models to secure competitiveness in the future



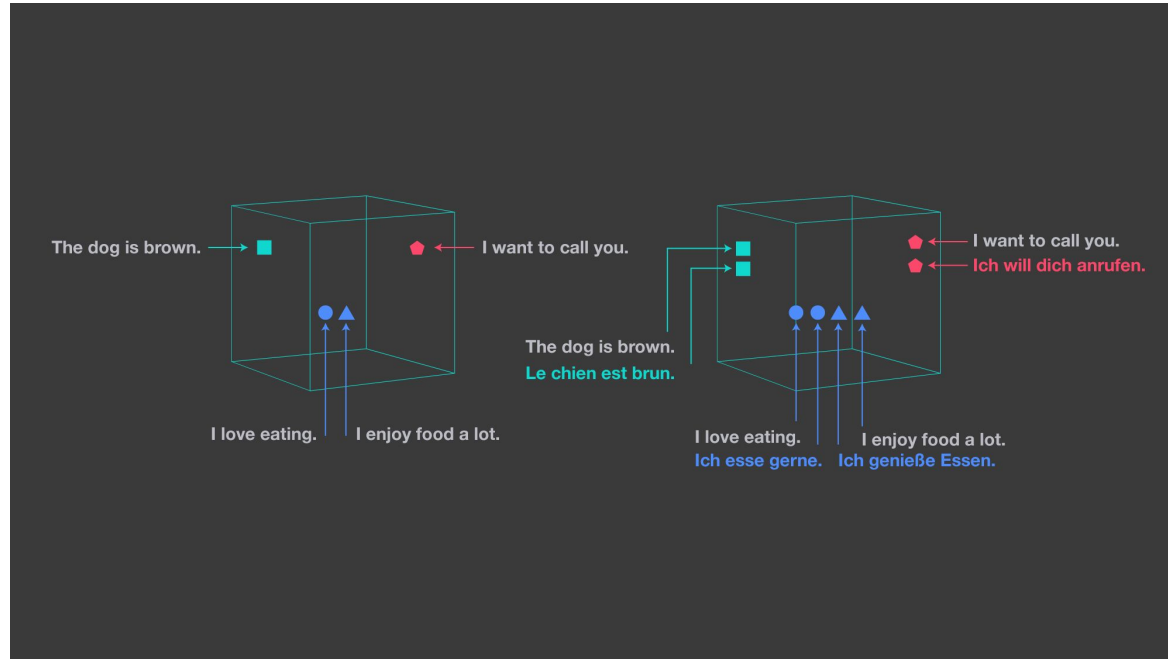
06 | future work



- Optimize model to reduce bias and recognize irony and implicit aggression
- Create a web tool that recommends users to adjust their language before posting a comment
- time-series analysis of toxicity online
- Work with new tools like LASER by Facebook

06 | future work

NLP throughout different languages



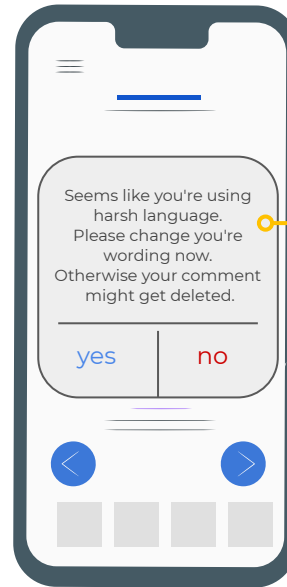
06 | future work

Approach 1



protect users from
toxic content

Approach 2



mirror toxic
behavior in
advance

Ja, und?

≡ **VICE** Artikel Videos Politik Tech Menschen Drogen Popkultur

Tech

Stiftung Warentest veröffentlicht Geldstrafen-Katalog für Hasskommentare

„Merkel muss öffentlich gesteinigt werden“ kostet 2000 Euro.



Von [Johannes Hausen](#)

19 Mai 2016, 12:03pm



[Teilen](#)



[Twittern](#)



[Snap](#)

Thank you



Drenizë Rama

Data Scientist



<https://drenize.github.io/>

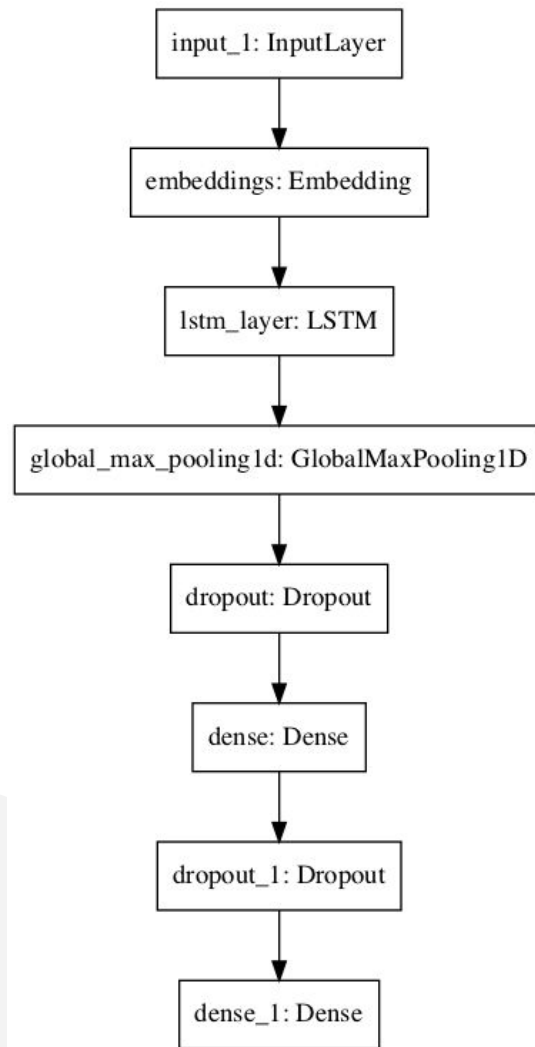


[https://www.linkedin.com/in/d](https://www.linkedin.com/in/dreniz%C3%AB-rama-6121a4157/)

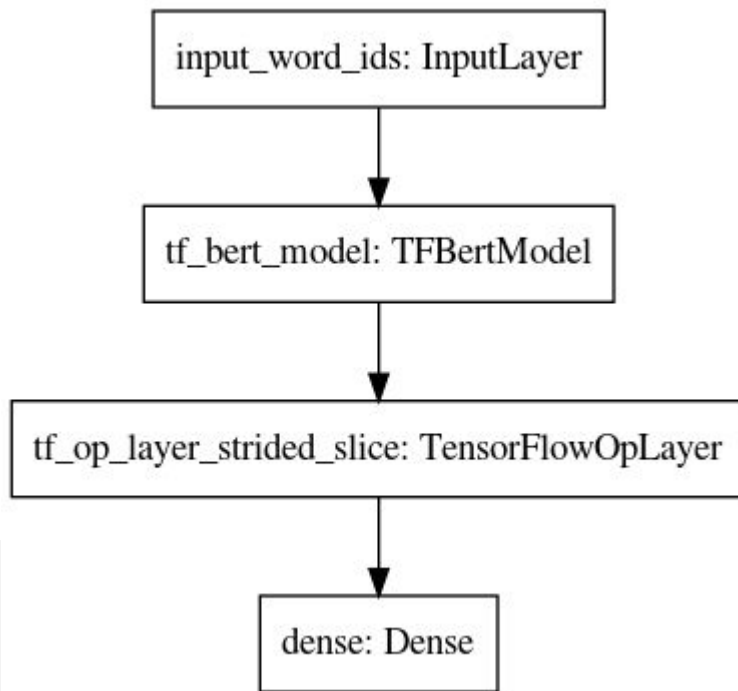
[reniz%C3%AB-rama-6121a4157/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/dreniz%C3%AB-rama-6121a4157/)

Appendix

LSTM architecture



BERT
architecture



Baseline Model: Logistic Regression

```
[[49808  853]  
 [ 1991 3236]]
```

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.96	0.98	0.97	50661
1	0.79	0.62	0.69	5227
accuracy			0.95	55888
macro avg	0.88	0.80	0.83	55888
weighted avg	0.95	0.95	0.95	55888

XGBoost Classifier

Confusion Matrix :

```
[[149624  2007]
 [  7607  8423]]
```

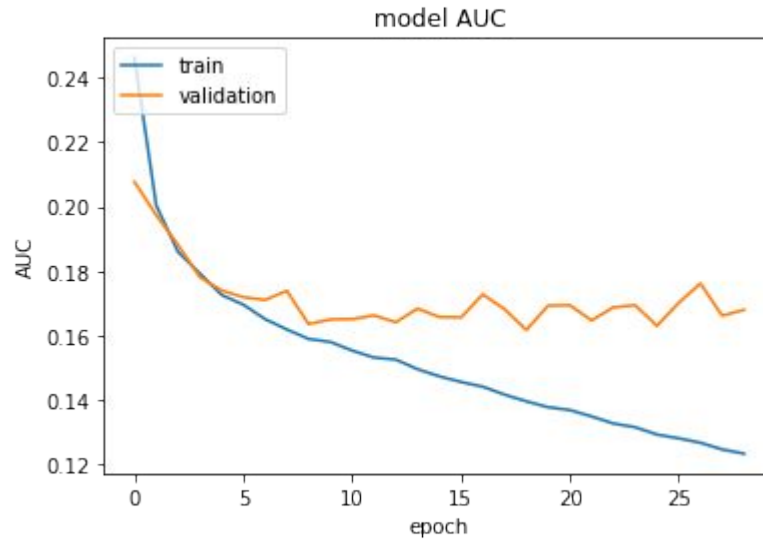
Accuracy Score : 0.9426581017648707

Report :

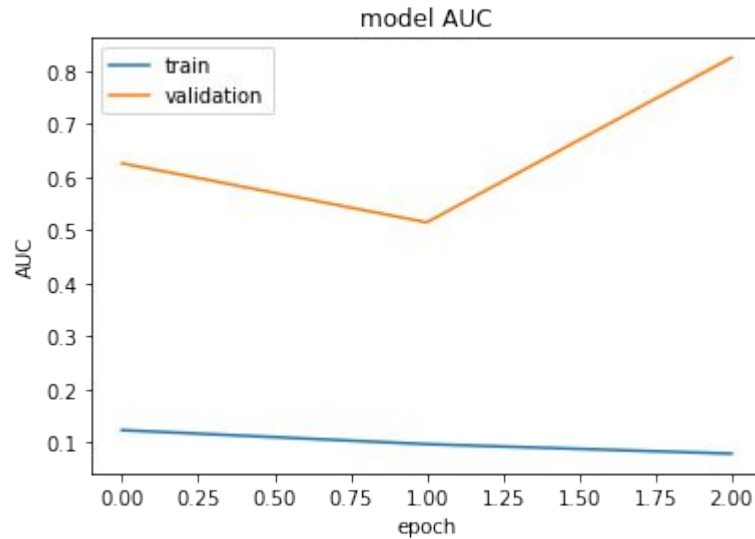
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.95	0.99	0.97	151631
1	0.81	0.53	0.64	16030
accuracy			0.94	167661
macro avg	0.88	0.76	0.80	167661
weighted avg	0.94	0.94	0.94	167661

Appendix

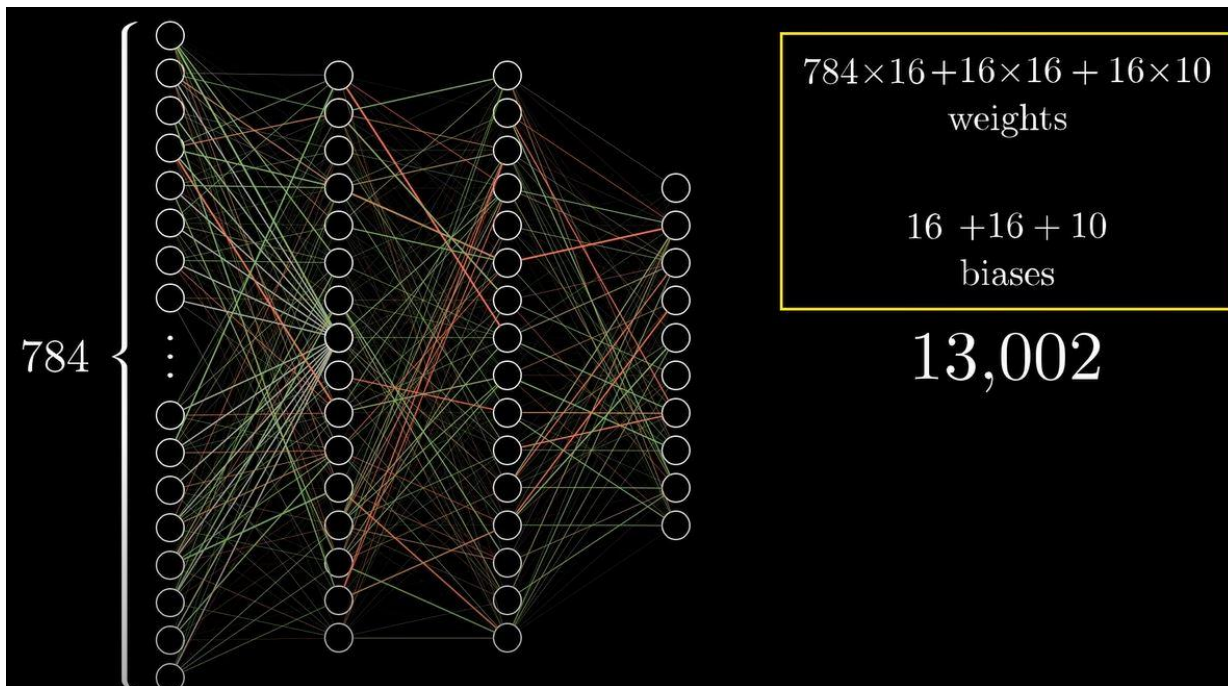
LSTM model with GloVe



BERT multilingual model

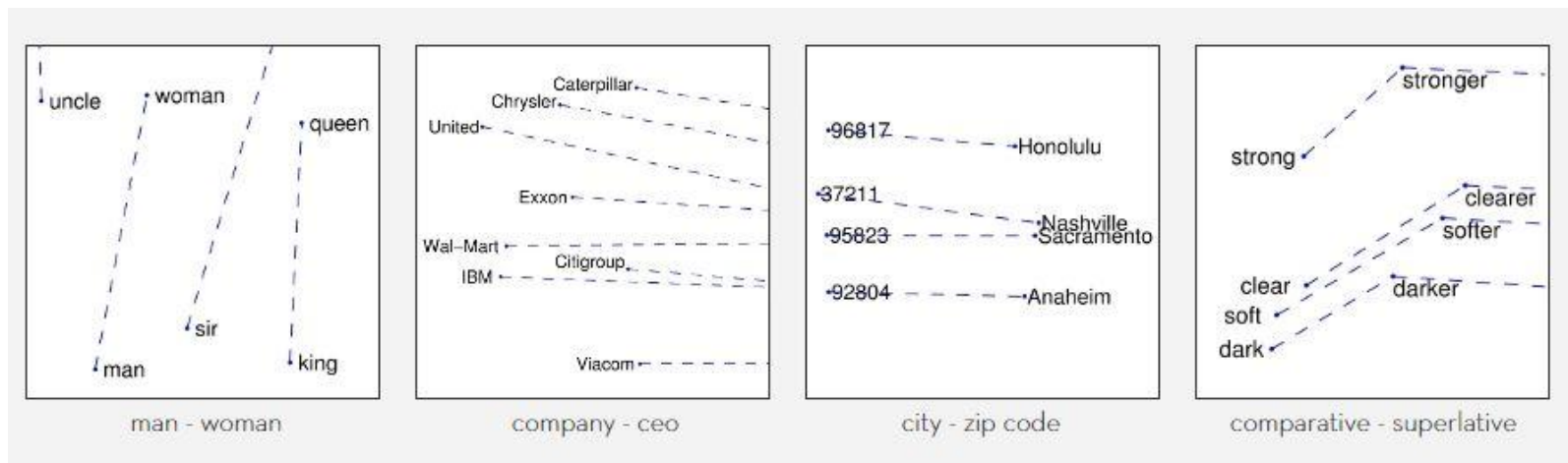


How does a Neural Network work?



Appendix

GloVe: Global Vectors for Word Representation



Hasskommentare
im Netz
identifizieren

Discussion Detox

App

by Drenizë Rama

