Dataset creation from last.fm or other folksonomy tags

This task was about getting a relevant subset of a Folksonomy of tags in order to upload a dataset into AcousticBraninz so it can be trained and classified.

In our case, we used the provided Last.fm CSV file in order to to make a "Happy"/"Sad" mood classifier.

Input: Folksonomy

As stated before, we worked from the given file 'acousticbrainz-2015-01-lastfm-tags.csv' wich contains 823033 instances, and 39 columns wich represent it's MBID followed by pairs of data the first item in a pair is a tag, and the second item is its count in that recording. These counts are normalised per recording, that is, a count of 100 means that it is the most common tag in that recording, not that it has been tagged with this tag 100 times.

As tagging is Last.fm is free, meaning that user can tag any facet of the sound (mood, genre, artist characteristic, random thoughts....) and not moderated it is prone to manipulation by the site's users, most often resulting in some disagreements and random tags.

For this reason we tried to use the simplest possible approach and also trying to consider only the sounds that have maximal counts for the tags of our interest.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Т
91	00101edd-3a4f-47eb-aac1-767584291e0a	rock	100	indie rock	51	indie	36	Canadian	27
92	0010283d-13db-4af8-873e-447d01fb9dbf	motown	100	doo wop	100	bateman	100	RB	50
93	00104142-e5fb-43aa-acb3-fd71523355aa	female vocalists	100	alternative	100	indie	100	rainy days	75
94	001082fc-517d-4c83-a753-d3a4117ff94d	turkish	100	eastern martial	100				Т
95	0010a64e-d781-4596-b470-93ad48467e26								
96	0010a9a5-c4a9-4309-9e7c-58a0f7caaa7d	mathcore	100	experimental	53	Progressive metal	40	metal	36
97	0010bf90-3721-4dd1-8a10-17bfb9bf0705	SuomiPop	100	tyttoenergiaa	100				
98	0010f597-1d3b-4401-ae4e-68ed147b340c	Classical	100	guitar virtuoso	100	instrumental	66	rock	33
99	001159ec-c7c1-472b-acfc-3266d40ab017	new age	100	gregorian	41	easy listening	16	loneliness after dusk	8
100	001161df-758b-40e0-8252-eb30f6d80978								
101	0011b0ad-fe30-4409-9a7c-5a091509627a								Т
102	0011b95f-9f95-4c9a-89d3-fdaefdf0c1b6	instrumental	100						
103	0011c1fa-fa85-4d03-a45c-c9e70903b1c4								
104	0012070e-78ce-419d-b7d7-a0f4408d8083								Т
105	001215c7-6b28-40a4-be34-ec68714a9412	instrumental	100	Soundtrack	100	neo classical	100		
106	00122052-87d2-468e-9ae0-a5d8d06644a2	alternative	100	Comets And St	. 50	magic	50	10 of 10 stars	25
107	00122eda-1e2a-4dbb-8447-abbb130f5487								
108	00126780-805d-474f-9209-47fe2059d93b	rock	100	Mark Knopfler	50	guitar	44	singer-songwriter	33
109	00128419-842d-470e-8bdd-869ef90ba8dc	jazz	100	free jazz	100	experimental	100	Avant-Garde	10

Figure 1: Fragment of the parsed CSV Folksonomy.

Taxonomy

We decided to build a 'mood' dataset, trying to establish a characteristic mood or sensation that most users can agree ton.

As stated before, Last.fm Folksonomy could have a a huge variety of tags and event disagreements and contradictions in the same piece so we decided to keep it simple and establish a very trivial and common taxonomy in order to extract relevant information from our Folksonomy with words most users know and use frequently.

'Happy' and 'Sad' are the two classes we are going to use. We are looking for the presence of this exact tags in the whole database and try to construct the database from here.

We know that emotions can be expressed in many ways; and even our selected emotion can be themselfs expressed in different ways, but we considered them as the standard, common and robust way to express these opposed moods.



Figure 2: Fragment of the resulting dataset.

Procedure

In order to process the Folksonomy to extract relevant instances for our taxonomy we used MATLAB.

Next, we are going to detail the followed process, together with some key pieces of code:

1. We first load the CSV Folksomy, define our Taxonomy and the number of instances we want to extract for each class:

```
M = csvimport('../CSV/acousticbrainz-2015-01-lastfm-tags.csv');
%Importing CSV database.
tax = ['happy';'sad '] % Taxonomy
N = 1000; % Number of desired instances for each class.
```

2. Then for each class in the taxonomy ('keyword' in our code), we first perform a search for it in the table:

```
indices= find(strcmpi(keyword,M)); % Search the keyword in all the cells.
j = double(idivide(int32(indices),size(M,1))+1); % Get column list
i = mod(indices,size(M,1)); % Get row list
```

3. All instances that contain our word are putted into a reduced version of the database, containing only MBID, the keyword and it's count.

We noted that some instances appear more than one time in the Folksonomy so in this step we also filter them.

```
while k <= length(i)
   idx = find(strcmpi(M{i(k),1},keywordCells), 1); % Checking for
        duplicated ids
if (isempty(idx)) % If current id is not present in new table
   keywordCells(n,1) = M(i(k),1); % 1st column: musicbrainz id
   keywordCells(n,2) = M(i(k),j(k)); % 2nd column: keyword value
   keywordCells{n,3} = cellfun(@str2num,M(i(k),j(k)+1)); % 3rd column:
   keyword count
   n=n+1;
end
   k=k+1;
end</pre>
```

4. Then, we are going to keep only the defined number of instances four our final database (N=1000). We are ordering our subset decreasingly by considering the keyword count, and take the first N instances, so we are selecting those were our tag is more relevant or prominent:

```
Y = sortcell(keywordCells,3); % Order rows by considering keyword count. fY = flipud(Y); % As sortcell orders increasing, we flip to get it d ecreasing

picked = fY(1:N,:); % Our subset will be the N first instances in our ordered dataset.
```

5. Following the specifications we will finally generate a CSV file containing MBIDs for all selected instances together with their belonging class. So in our case it will be a 2000x2 table.

```
db = cat(1,happyDatabase(:,1:2),sadDatabase(:,1:2)); % All instances in
the same table with their class
cell2csv('../CSV/dataset.csv',db); % Export table into CSV file
```

Dataset submission and training

With the final CSV file generated containing 2000 instances (MBID's) together with their associated class (1000 of each) we submitted the dataset into our AcousticBrainz profile.

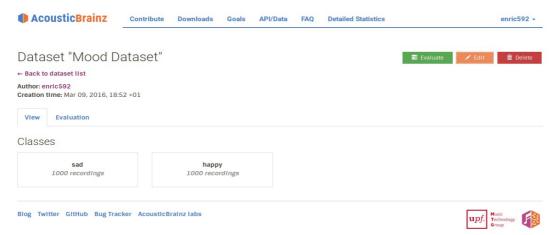


Figure 3: Screenshot of our AcousticBrainz Dataset.

We then started the process to automatically train and classify our dataset.

Results and conclusions

After evaluating in AcousticBrainz we obtained the following results:

- Happy Instances well classified: 86.5%
- Happy Instances classified as sad (error): 13.50%
- Sad instances calssified as happy (error): 16.33%
- Well-classified sad instances: 83.67%
- Overall Accuracy: 85.09%



Figure 4: Table showing our results.

This results are acceptable considering that the dataset taxonomy was originally defined by random users that can write anything as a tag. Despite this, accuracy is good because we have chosen a very simple and clear taxonomy, and additionally we have taken the first 1000 instances with more consensus on that tag for each class.

Possibly, more could be done in order to consider other ways people could express their mood in relation to a song, but with this simple approach we obtained good results by learning a little more of Folksonomies, Last.fm system and AcousticBrainz.

References & Links

The developed code is hosted into: https://github.com/enric592/AMPL-folksonomy-mood

Code is written in Matlab and is located in MATLAB folder. The main script that runs our processes is dataSelection.m.

The workspace does not contain the original: acousticbrainz-2015-01-lastfm-tags.csv.bz2 (for space reasons) but it can be found here: http://www.dtic.upf.edu/~aporter/amplab/acousticbrainz-2015-01-lastfm-tags.csv.bz2. It should be placed in the CSV folder in order to successfully run Matlab scripts.

AcousticBrainz generated dataset can be found here: http://acousticbrainz.org/datasets/dc3527cb-aa6d-4689-87dd-f5c2df115bd9

Several Matlab External functions were used:

- cell2csv.m: Sylvain Fiedler, KA, 2004
- csvimport.m: Ashish Sadanandan, 06 Apr 2009
- sortcell.m: Jeff Jackson (Ocean Sciences, DFO Canada), Jan. 24, 2007