Out[19]: The raw code for this IPython notebook is by default hidden for easier reading. To toggle on/off the raw code, click here.

Summary

This is an NLP problem. This dataset uses tweets gathered about the coronavirus pandemic that are classified as either extremely negative, negative, neutral, positive, or extremely positive. The original data has information including the date and location of the original tweet as well as the username, but this information isn't important for creating a classifier. When creating the features and the classifiers, the feature is the original tweet and the classifier is the sentiment.

The features will be exapanded once a bag of words model is created, where the number of features will become the number of unique words, which will be a great many number of features. These features will eventually need to be dimentionally reduced using PCA in order to create a computationally efficent model.

Benchmarking Other Solutions

The first model I looked at use MLP Classifier. This model ran with 81% accuracy. While preprocessing the data, they mapped the sentiments to numerical values. They then cleaned the text of the tweets, by removing urls, html tags, digits, and hashtags. They first created a bag of words model. Then they used a neural network called MLP Classifier - Multi-layer Perceptron classifier. It relies on an underlying Neural Network to classify. Another model also used the MLP Classifier. This model also ran with 81% accuracy. They first cleaned the tweets to remove the links, usernames, hashtags, and audio/video tags.

The next model I look at compared different types of neural networks. First, they convert the sentiment labels to numerical labels. Then they embed the data, which turns the positive integers into dense vectors. First, they use Gated recurrent units (GRUs), which are a type of neural network. It performs with 40.75% accuracy. Then, they use bidirectional LSTM, which uses two models. It performs with even less accuracy at 38.9% accuracy. Then they use

Bidirectional GRU, which performs with similar accuracy at 39.28%. Then they use convolutional neural networks, which performs with 38% accuracy.

The next model I looked at used naive bayes. First, again, they clean the tweets. First they remove stop words and correct spelling errors. Then, they convert to lowercase and remove mentions and tags. They use the naive bayes classifier which produces an accuracy of 73.4%.

Model	Accuracy
MLP Classifier	81%
Naive Bayes	73.4%
GRU	40.75%
Bidirectional GRU	39.28%
Bidirectional LSTM	38.9%
Convolutional NN	38%

All of the models used the same features, with slight differences depending on how they cleaned the text. Some models mapped the sentiments to numerical values and some didn't. I think this depended on what kind of model they were using. I think the MLP Classifier is the most successful because of the neural network model it uses. However, the Naive Bayes model also performs with similar accuracy. I think I will try both and see which performs better. Something that I would like to take away from all of these models is the way that they preprocessed the text, including removing stop words and fixing spelling mistakes.

Data description and Initial Processing

First, I read in the data, which comes as two csv, one testing and one training. They are shown below.

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In [2]:
    import pandas as pd

    test = pd.read_csv("Corona_NLP_test.csv")
    train = pd.read_csv("Corona_NLP_train.csv",encoding='latin1')

In [3]:
    test.head(10)
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Out[3]:		UserName	ScreenName	Location	TweetAt	OriginalTweet	Sentiment
	0	1	44953	NYC	02-03- 2020	TRENDING: New Yorkers encounter empty supermar	Extremely Negative
	1	2	44954	Seattle, WA	02-03- 2020	When I couldn't find hand sanitizer at Fred Me	Positive
	2	3	44955	NaN	02-03- 2020	Find out how you can protect yourself and love	Extremely Positive
					02-03-	#Panic huving hits #NewYork City	

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Negative

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Sentiment	OriginalTweet	TweetAt	Location	ScreenName	UserName	
Neutral	#toiletpaper #dunnypaper #coronavirus #coronav	03-03- 2020	Melbourne, Victoria	44957	5	4
Neutral	Do you remember the last time you paid \$2.99 a	03-03- 2020	Los Angeles	44958	6	5
Positive	Voting in the age of #coronavirus = hand sanit	03-03- 2020	NaN	44959	7	6
Neutral	@DrTedros "We can t stop #COVID19 without prot	03-03- 2020	Geneva, Switzerland	44960	8	7
Extremely Negative	HI TWITTER! I am a pharmacist. I sell hand san	04-03- 2020	NaN	44961	9	8
Extremely Positive	Anyone been in a supermarket over the last few	04-03- 2020	Dublin, Ireland	44962	10	9

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In [4]:
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train.head()
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Out[4]:

:	UserName	ScreenName	Location	TweetAt	OriginalTweet	Sentiment
0	3799	48751	London	16-03- 2020	@MeNyrbie @Phil_Gahan @Chrisitv https://t.co/i	Neutral
1	3800	48752	UK	16-03- 2020	advice Talk to your neighbours family to excha	Positive
2	3801	48753	Vagabonds	16-03- 2020	Coronavirus Australia: Woolworths to give elde	Positive
3	3802	48754	NaN	16-03- 2020	My food stock is not the only one which is emp	Positive
4	3803	48755	NaN	16-03- 2020	Me, ready to go at supermarket during the #COV	Extremely Negative

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In [6]:
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print("Shape of testing data:", test.shape, "\nShape of training data:" ,train.s
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Shape of testing data: (3798, 6)
Shape of training data: (41157, 6)
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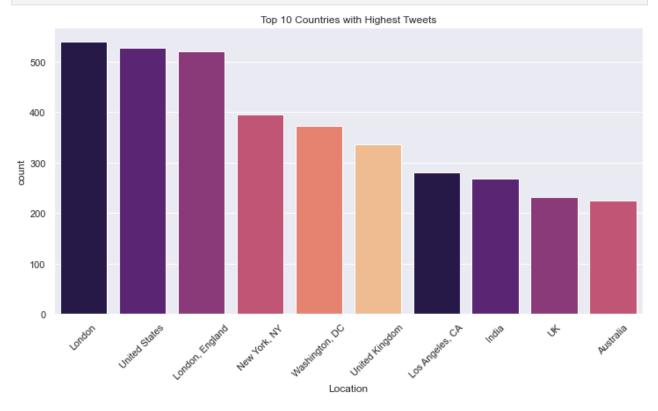
Exploratory Data Analysis

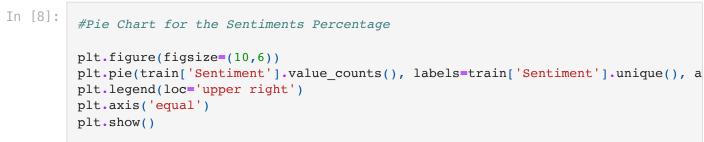
The following graphs show various insights about the data.

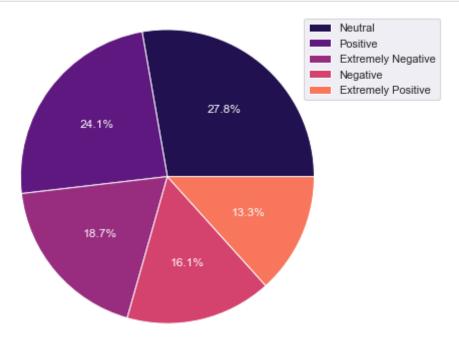
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In [7]:
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib import cm
import seaborn as sns
palette=sns.color palette('magma')
sns.set(palette=palette)
#Top 10 Countries that had the highest tweets
plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
plt.title('Top 10 Countries with Highest Tweets')
countries =sns.countplot(x='Location', data=train, order=train['Location'].value
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countries.set_xticklabels(countries.get_xticklabels(), rotation=45)
plt.show()
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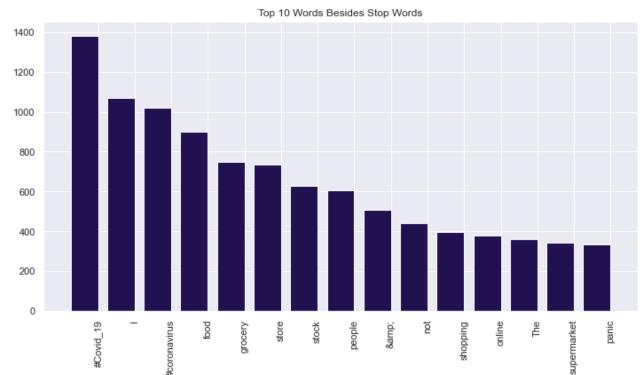




Then the features and classifers are separated. Then, after separating the tweets into individual

words and the stop words are removed, the ten most common words are found.

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In [10]:
          X_test = test['OriginalTweet']
          X_train = train['OriginalTweet']
          y_test = test['Sentiment']
          y_train = train['Sentiment']
In [11]:
          import nltk
          from nltk.corpus import stopwords
          from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
          #nltk.download('stopwords')
          all_stopwords = stopwords.words('english')
          all_stopwords.remove('not')
          words = []
          for eachreview in X_test:
              w = eachreview.split()
              for word in w:
                  if word not in all stopwords:
                      words.append(word)
          words
          from collections import Counter
          import numpy as np
          counts = Counter(words)
          labels, values = zip(*counts.most_common(15))
          indexes = np.arange(len(labels))
          width = 0.75
In [12]:
          #Top 10 Most Common Words Besides Stop Words
          plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
          plt.title('Top 10 Words Besides Stop Words')
          plt.bar(indexes, values, width)
          plt.xticks(indexes + width * 0.5, labels, rotation = 90)
          plt.show()
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Jumping ahead a little early, next we clean the data and create our bag of words and matrix. While cleaning the tweets, I remove urls, html tags, digits, hastags, usernames, and more. I also remove stopwords.

```
In [13]:
          from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
          import re
          corpus = []
          for eachreview in X test:
              twl= re.sub(r'http\S+', ' ', eachreview) #remove urls
              tw2 = re.sub(r'<.*?>',' ', tw1) #remove html tags
              tw3 = re.sub(r'\d+',' ', tw2) #remove digits
              tw4 = re.sub(r'#\w+',' ', tw3) #removetags
              tw5 = re.sub('(RT\s@[A-Za-z]+[A-Za-z0-9-_]+)', '', tw4) #remove users
               tw6 = re.sub('(@[A-Za-z]+[A-Za-z0-9-_]+)', '', tw5) #remove users
              tw7 = re.sub('VIDEO:', '', tw6)#removes video tag
              tw8 = tweet = re.sub('AUDIO:', '', tw7) #removes audio tag
              r = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]', ' ', tw8)
              r = r.lower()
              r = r.split()
              ps = PorterStemmer()
               #remove stopwords
              r = [ps.stem(word) for word in r if word not in all stopwords]
              r = ' '.join(r)
               corpus.append(r)
          for eachreview in X train:
               twl= re.sub(r'http\S+', ' ', eachreview) #remove urls
              tw2 = re.sub(r'<.*?>',' ', tw1) #remove html tags

tw3 = re.sub(r'\d+',' ', tw2) #remove digits
              tw4 = re.sub(r'#\w+',' ', tw3) #removetags
               tw5 = re.sub('(RT\s@[A-Za-z]+[A-Za-z0-9-_]+)', '', tw4) #remove users
               tw6 = re.sub('(@[A-Za-z]+[A-Za-z0-9-]+)', '', tw5) #remove users
               tw7 = re.sub('VIDEO:', '', tw6) #removes video tag
               tw8 = tweet = re.sub('AUDIO:', '', tw7) #removes audio tag
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r = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]', ' ', tw8)
r = r.lower()
r = r.split()
ps = PorterStemmer()
#remove stopwords
r = [ps.stem(word) for word in r if word not in all_stopwords]
r = ' '.join(r)
corpus.append(r)

vecs = TfidfVectorizer()
newX = vecs.fit_transform(corpus)
m = newX.todense()
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In [17]:
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print("The length of our new matrix is:", len(vecs.get_feature_names()))
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The length of our new matrix is: 23723

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