Lab 2 Homework Report

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Methodology

- Preprocessing
 - Use emoji library to transform emojis to description text.
 - This way the meaning of emoji is preserved compared to just removing the emojis.
 - Replace abbreviations (Using online available resources, reference in the code.)
 - Remove stop words using built-in functionality in NTLK package.
 - Remove mentions, URLs and punctuation.

```
def clean_tweet_text(df, col):
    # Convert emojis to word
    df[col] = df[col].apply(emoji.demojize)

# Replace underscores with spaces
    df[col] = df[col].str.replace('_', ''')

# Convert chat words to original text
    df[col] = df[col].apply(replace_chat_words)

# Convert to lowercase
    df[col] = df[col].str.lower()

# Convert abbreviations to word
    df[col] = df[col].apply(replace_abbreviations)

# Remove the patterns
for pattern in patterns:
        df[col] = df[col].str.replace(pattern, '', regex=True)

# Remove stopwords
stop_words = set(nltk.corpus.stopwords.words('english'))
df[col] = df[col].apply(lambda x: ''.join([word for word in x.split() if word not in stop_words]))
```

■ I have also tried to implement a new attribute using the emojis. (but fail to integrate it into the model)

- Embedding
 - I use tokenizer from Keras for embedding the text appended with hashtags.

```
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.text import Tokenizer
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.sequence import pad_sequences

train_df = pd.read_pickle("data/train_df.pkl")

test_df = pd.read_pickle("data/test_df.pkl")

# Tokenize text
max_words = 20000 # Maximum vocabulary size
max_len = 100 # Maximum sequence length

tokenizer = Tokenizer(num_words=max_words)
tokenizer.fit_on_texts(train_df["combined_text"])

train_sequences = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(train_df["combined_text"])

train_padded = pad_sequences(train_sequences(test_df["combined_text"]))

test_sequences = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(test_df["combined_text"]))

test_sequences = pad_sequences(test_sequences(test_df["combined_text"]))

test_padded = pad_sequences(test_sequences, maxlen=max_len, padding="post")
```

- I use one-hot encoding to deal with labels. (As in the lab)
- Model
 - I use a neural network to learn the pattern.

■ After some testing, I set it to run 5 epochs.

(Tested with 10 epochs, result shows overfitting)

Result

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Score: 0.40695

The model does not perform very well on classifying the tweets. It is probably because due to the approach I implemented, it has limited ability to learn the context.

Possible Solutions

Compared to the basic neural networks I implemented, more advanced approaches like transformers (Bert, GPT, etc.) can be used to learn contextual meaning more effectively.

More preprocessing techniques can also be used to better represent the original data.