Evaluation of Machine Learning based Text Classifiers

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Problem Statement

Evaluating the different methods of Text Classification.

The question that are answered in this project are,

- How much time it took to classify given set of documents?
- How accurately the documents got classified?

Proposed Solution!

The idea here is to classify different text datasets using multiple classfiers. SVM, GNB, LR Classifiers are used to classify the text document.

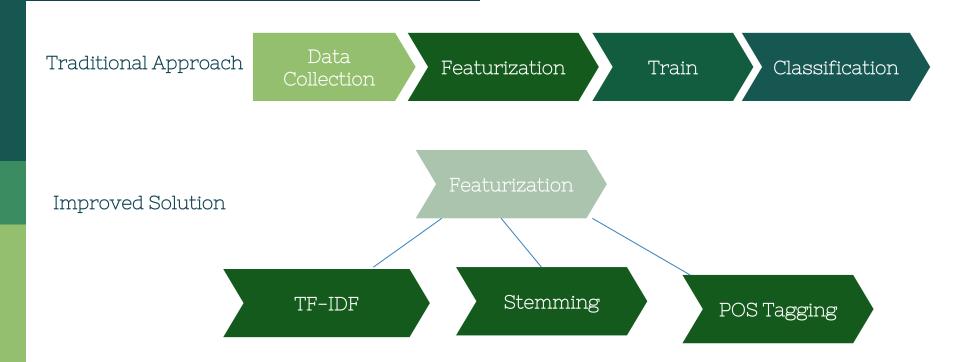
Experiment with different parameters of the classifier.

Better Feature Extraction Techinques. Like Stemming and Part of Speech tagging.





Implementation



TF-IDF

Term Frequency – Inverse Document Frequency, Feature matrix is build by measuring, the number of time a term occurred in all documents divided by the number of documents the term occurred in.

This results in huge and parse feature matrix. [samples X total number of words]

Stemming

Each word is mapped to back to its stem word. This reduces the number of features but doen't lose any information.

Eg. Amazing and Amazed are mapped to Amaze.

POS

Part of Speech tagging. Feature matrix contains maximum of words that doesn't affect the classification (Viz.) the,that,and,but,who etc.

The part of speech of every feature is tagged and words which are adjective, modal auxiliary, adverb, pre-determiner, noun, verbs are only selected.

This reduces the size of feature matrix while retaining the useful informations.

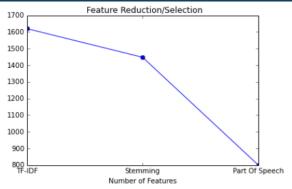


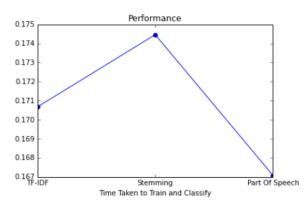
And tables to compare data

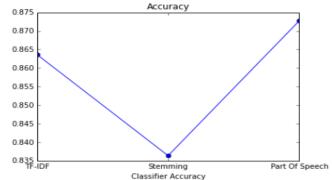
Feature Size	Yelp Data	IMDB Data
TF-IDF	1620	4524
Stemming	1448	3835
POS	801	2224

Yelp Data (SVM)	Accuracy	Time Taken(in s)
TF-IDF	0.863	0.174
Stemming	0.836	0.171
POS	0.872	0.167

And Graphs to show results







Top Coefficients

Positive Coefficients
u'great'
u'excellent'
u'superb'
u'worth'
u'liked'
u'loved'
u'enjoyed'

Negative Coefficients
u'boring'
u'bad'
u'terrible'
u'poor'
u'awful'
u'waste'
u'almost
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Conclusion

From the experiments we can see the clear effect of feature selection, using POS tagging, on compution time as well as on accuracy of the classificatiom.

We conclude that for classifying text based on the sentiment, SVM with POS tagging performed the best.

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THANKS!

Any questions?