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LITERATURE REVIEW

1. Sentiment Analysis: A Literature Survey

Authors: Subhabrata Mukherjee, Pushpak Bhattacharyya
Link: arXiv:1304.4520
Objective:
To provide an extensive overview of sentiment analysis, covering its challenges, applications, and various computational approaches.

Methodology:
The paper discusses both supervised and unsupervised techniques for sentiment analysis, including algorithms like Naive Bayes, Maximum Entropy, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Voted Perceptrons. It also explores the role of cognitive psychology in understanding subjectivity and perspective in narratives.

Findings:

- Supervised learning methods are effective but require large labeled datasets.
- Unsupervised methods, while not reliant on labeled data, often struggle with accuracy.
- Incorporating cognitive psychology can enhance the understanding of sentiment in texts.

Strengths:

- Comprehensive coverage of both computational and psychological aspects.
- Detailed discussion on various machine learning algorithms.

Limitations:

- Being published in 2013, it doesn't cover the advancements in deep learning and transformer-based models that have since become prominent.

2. Sentiment Analysis Based on Deep Learning: A Comparative Study

Authors: Nhan Cach Dang, María N. Moreno-García, Fernando De la Prieta
Link: arXiv:2006.03541
Objective:
To compare various deep learning models applied to sentiment analysis tasks, evaluating their performance across different datasets.

Methodology:

The study reviews deep learning approaches like Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs), and Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks. It assesses these models using features like TF-IDF and word embeddings on datasets from social media platforms.

Findings:

- Deep learning models outperform traditional machine learning methods in sentiment classification tasks.
- Word embeddings enhance the models' ability to capture semantic relationships in text.

Strengths:

- Comprehensive comparison of deep learning models.
- Practical insights into feature selection and model performance.

Limitations:

- The study may not cover the latest transformer-based models like BERT or GPT.

Below are some of the research works done in the field of Sentiment analysis using deep learning techniques arranged in a systematic way:

Table 1. Summary of deep-learning-based sentiment analysis.

No.	Year	Study	Research Work	Method	Dataset	Target
1	2019	Alharbi el al. [19]	Twitter sentiment analysis	CNN	SemEval 2016 workshop	Feature extraction from user behavior information
2	2019	Kraus et al. [16]	Sentiment analysis based on rhetorical structure theory	Tree-LSTM and Discourse-LSTM	Movie Database (IMD), food reviews (Amazon)	Aim to improve accuracy
3	2019	Do et al. [53]	Comparative review of sentiment analysis based on deep learning	CNN, LSTM, GRU, and hybrid approaches	SemEval workshop and social network sites	Aspect extraction and sentiment classification
4	2019	Abid et al. [20]	Sentiment analysis through recent recurrent variants	CNN, RNN	Twitter	Domain-specific word embedding
5	2019	Yang et al. [52]	Aspect-based sentiment analysis	Coattention-LSTM, Coattention-MemNet, Coattention-LSTM + location	Twitter, SemEval 2014	Target-level and context-level feature extraction
6	2019	Wu et al. [60]	Sentiment analysis with variational autoencoder	LSTM, Bi-LSTM	Facebook, Chinese VA, Emobank	Encoding, sentiment prediction, and decoding
7	2018	Pham et al. [11]	Aspect-based sentiment analysis	LRNN-ASR, FULL-LRNN-ASR	Tripadvisor	Enriching knowledge of the input through layers
8	2018	Sohangir et al. [5]	Deep learning for financial sentiment analysis	LSTM, doc2vec, and CNN	StockTwits	Improving the performance of sentiment analysis for StockTwits
9	2018	Li et al. [17]	How textual quality of online reviews affect classification performance	SRN, LSTM, and CNN	Movie reviews from imdb.com	Impact of two influential textual features, namely the word count and review readability
10	2018	Zhang et al. [61]	Textual sentiment analysis via three different attention convolutional neural networks and cross-modality consistent regression	CNN	SemEval 2016, Sentiment Tree Bank	LSTM attention and attentive pooling is integrated with CNN model to extract sentence features based on sentiment embedding, lexicon embedding, and semantic embedding

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No.	Year	Study	Research Work	Method	Dataset	Target
11	2018	Schmitt et al. [54]	Joint aspect and polarity classification for aspect-based sentiment analysis	CNN, LSTM	SemEval 2017	Approach based on aspect sentiment analysis to solve two classification problems (aspect categories + aspect polarity)
12	2018	Qian et al. [10]	Sentiment analysis model on weather-related tweets	DNN, CNN	Twitter, social network sites	Feature extraction
13	2018	Tang et al. [62]	Improving the state-of-the-art in many deep learning sentiment analysis tasks	CNN, DNN, RNN	Social network sites	Sentiment classification, opinion extraction, fine-grained sentiment analysis
14	2018	Zhang et al. [22]	Survey of deep learning for sentiment analysis	CNN, DNN, RNN, LSTM	Social network sites	Sentiment analysis with word embedding, sarcasm analysis, emotion analysis, multimodal data for sentiment analysis
15	2017	Choudhary et al. [30]	Comparative study of deep-learning-based sentimental analysis with existing techniques	CNN, DNN, RNN, lexicon, hybrid	Social network sites	Domain dependency, sentiment polarity, negation, feature extraction, spam and fake review, huge lexicon, bi-polar words
16	2018	Jangid et al. [6]	Financial sentiment analysis	CNN, LSTM, RNN	Financial tweets	Aspect-based sentiment analysis
17	2017	Araque et al. [63]	Enhancing deep learning sentiment analysis with ensemble techniques in social applications	Deep-learning-based sentiment classifier using a word embedding model and a linear machine learning algorithm	SemEval 2013/2014, Vader, STS-Gold, IMDB, PL04, and Sentiment140	Improving the performance of deep learning techniques and integrating them with traditional surface approaches based on manually extracted features
18	2017	Jeong et al. [48]	A product opportunity mining approach based on topic modeling and sentiment analysis	LDA-based topic modeling, sentiment analysis, and opportunity algorithm	Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and Reddit	Identification of product development opportunities from customer-generated social media data
19	2017	Gupta et al. [49]	Sentiment-/semantic-based approaches for emotion detection	LSTM-based deep learning	Twitter	Combining sentiment and semantic features

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20	2017	Preethi et al. [12]	Sentiment analysis for recommender system in the cloud	RNN, naïve Bayes classifier	Amazon	Recommending the places that are near to the user's current location by analyzing the different reviews and consequently computing the score grounded on it
21	2017	Ramadhani et al. [50]	Twitter sentiment analysis	DNN	Twitter	Handling a huge amount of unstructured data
22	2017	Ain et al. [13]	A review of sentiment analysis using deep learning techniques	CNN, RNN, DNN, DBN	Social network sites	Analyzing and structuring hidden information extracted from social media in the form of unstructured data
23	2017	Roshanfekr et al. [47]	Sentiment analysis using deep learning on Persian texts	NBSVM-Bi, Bidirectional-LSTM, CNN	Customer reviews from www.digikala.com	Evaluating deep learning methods using the Persian language
24	2017	Paredes-Valverde et al. [51]	Sentiment analysis for improvement of products and services	CNN + Word2vec	Twitter in Spanish	Detecting customer satisfaction and identifying opportunities for improvement of products and services
25	2017	Jingzhou Liu et al. [64]	Extreme multilabel text classification	XML-CNN	RCV1, EUR-Lex, Amazon, and Wiki	Capturing richer information from different regions of the document
26	2017	Hassan et al. [15]	Sentiment analysis of short texts	CNN, LSTM, on top of pretrained word vectors	Stanford Large Movie Review, IMDB, Stanford Sentiment Treebank, SSTb	Achieving comparable performances with fewer parameters on sentiment analysis tasks

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No.	Year	Study	Research Work	Method	Dataset	Target
27	2017	Chen et al. [65]	Multimodal sentiment analysis with word-level fusion and reinforcement learning	Gated multimodal embedding LSTM with temporal attention	CMU-MOSI	Developing a novel deep architecture for multimodal sentiment analysis that performs modality fusion at the word level
28	2017	Al-Sallab et al. [66]	Opinion mining in Arabic as a low-resource language	Recursive deep learning	Online comments from QALB, Twitter, and Newswire articles written in MSA	Providing more complete and comprehensive input features for the autoencoder and performing semantic composition
29	2016	Vateekul et al. [28]	A study of sentiment analysis in Thai	LSTM, DCNN	Twitter	Finding the best parameters of LSTM and DCNN
30	2016	Singhal, et al. [18]	A survey of sentiment analysis and deep learning	CNN, RNTN, RNN, LSTM	Sentiment Treebank dataset, movie reviews, MPQA, and customer reviews	Comparison of classification performance of different models on different datasets
31	2016	Gao et al. [14]	Sentiment analysis using AdaBoost combination	CNN	Movie reviews and IMDB	Studying the possibility of leveraging the contribution of different filter lengths and grasping their potential in the final polarity of the sentence
32	2016	Rojas-Barahona et al. [46]	Overview of deep learning for sentiment analysis	CNN, LSTM	Movie reviews, Sentiment Treebank, and Twitter	To extract the polarity from the data

Gated Recurrent Units (GRU); Bi-directional Long-Short-Term-Memory (Bi-LSTM); Latent Rating Neural Network-Aspect Semantic Representation (LRNN-ASR); Simple Recurrent Networks (SRN); Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA); Naive Bayes and Support Vector Machine Bidirectional (NBSVM-bi); Deep Convolutional Neural Network (DCNN); Recursive Neural Tensor Network (RNTN); Multi-Perspective Question Answering (MPQA); Multimodal Opinion Sentiment Intensity (CMU-MOSI); Qatar Arabic Language Bank (QALB)

3. Sentiment Analysis Methods, Applications, and Challenges: A Systematic Literature Review

Link: [ScienceDirect]

Objective:

To systematically review sentiment analysis methods, their applications, and the challenges faced in the field.

Methodology:

The study provides a comprehensive analysis of sentiment analysis techniques, comparing different methods and exploring their application domains. It also highlights challenges and suggests future research directions.

Findings:

- Artificial intelligence technologies play a significant role in automating sentiment analysis.
- Challenges include handling sarcasm, domain dependency, and multilingual texts.

Strengths:

- Systematic approach offering insights into various aspects of sentiment analysis.
- Identification of research gaps and future directions.

Limitations:

- The review may not cover the most recent advancements in transformer-based models

Fig. 3. Research contents.

4. FinBERT: Financial Sentiment Analysis with Pre-trained Language Models

Authors: Dogu Araci
Link: arXiv:1908.10063
Objective: To develop a domain-specific BERT model, FinBERT, tailored for financial sentiment analysis.
Methodology: FinBERT is fine-tuned on financial texts to capture the unique linguistic patterns in financial documents.

• We introduce FinBERT, which is a language model based on BERT for financial NLP tasks. We evaluate FinBERT on two financial sentiment analysis datasets.

• We achieve the state-of-the-art on FiQA sentiment scoring and Financial PhraseBank.

• We implement two other pre-trained language models, ULMFit and ELMo for financial sentiment analysis and compare these with FinBERT.

• We conduct experiments to investigate several aspects of the model, including: effects of further pre-training on financial corpus, training strategies to prevent catastrophic forgetting and fine-tuning only a small subset of model layers for decreasing training time without a significant drop in performance.

Findings: FinBERT outperforms general-purpose models in classifying financial sentiments, achieving higher accuracy (by 15%) with fewer labeled examples.
Strengths: Demonstrates the efficacy of domain-specific pre-training in enhancing sentiment analysis performance in specialized fields.
Limitations: Relies heavily on the quality and representativeness of the financial corpus used for fine-tuning. It may not generalize well to other financial domains without additional training.

5. Financial Sentiment Analysis Using FinBERT with Application in Predicting Stock Movement

Authors: Tingsong Jiang, Qingyun Zeng
Link: arXiv:2306.02136
Objective: To integrate FinBERT with LSTM models for predicting stock price movements based on news sentiment.
Methodology: The study combines FinBERT for sentiment extraction with LSTM networks to model temporal dependencies in stock prices. The model is trained on a stock news dataset and compared to BERT, LSTM, and ARIMA models.
Findings: The hybrid model surpasses traditional models in forecasting accuracy, indicating that sentiment is an effective factor in predicting market movement.
Strengths: Effectively captures both semantic sentiment and temporal patterns in financial data.
Limitations: Performance may degrade with noisy or ambiguous news data; requires extensive computational resources

6. Enhancing Financial Sentiment Analysis via Retrieval Augmented Large Language Models

Authors: Boyu Zhang, Hongyang Yang, Tianyu Zhou, Ali Babar, Xiao-Yang Liu
Link: arXiv:2310.04027
Objective: To improve financial sentiment analysis by augmenting large language models (LLMs) with external contextual information.
Methodology: Introduces a retrieval-augmented framework where relevant financial documents are retrieved to provide context to LLMs during sentiment classification. The framework includes an instruction-tuned LLMs module and a retrieval-augmentation module.

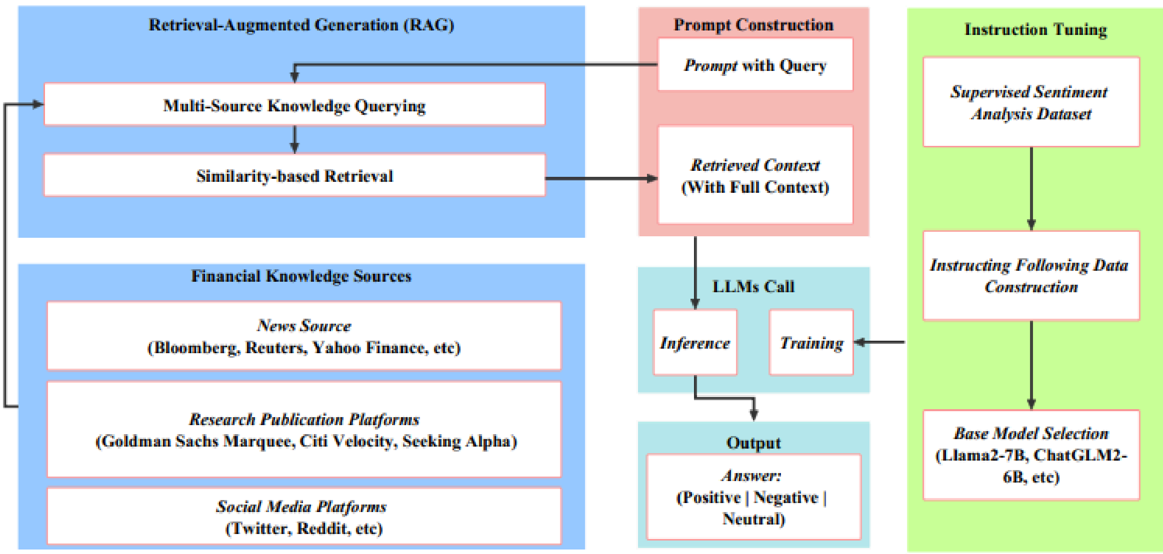


Fig. 1: Framework of retrieval-augmented large language model for financial sentiment analysis.

Findings: The approach yields a **15%** to **48%** improvement in accuracy and F1 scores over baseline models which are often devoid of sufficient context.
Strengths: Addresses the context deficiency in LLMs, enhancing their applicability in financial domains.
Limitations: However, a limitation of our approach is its exclusive reliance on textual similarity to retrieve relevant information. This method overlooks crucial macroeconomic information related to the timing of the news and microeconomic information concerning the financial and operational status of the related enterprise. Incorporating such economic data could provide a more holistic view, allowing LLMs to make more accurate judgments.

Future Scope:. Future work could explore amalgamating these additional economic dimensions with textual data, to further improve the precision and reliability of financial sentiment analysis performed by large language models.

7. FinEAS: Financial Embedding Analysis of Sentiment

Authors: Asier Gutiérrez-Fandiño, Miquel Noguer i Alonso, Petter Kolm, Jordi Armengol-Estapé

Link: arXiv:2111.00526
Objective: To develop a financial sentiment analysis model using supervised fine-tuned sentence embeddings.

Methodology:We propose a new model that starts from supervised fine-tuned sentence embeddings from a standard BERT model. Specifically, we feed the sentences to the Sentence-BERT model, and then we try both using it as a feature extractor and perform full-model fine-tuning. The output sentence embedding, with a dimension of 768, is fed to a linear layer attached to a tanh activation function (since the task is a regression between -1 and 1). We refer to the new model as **Financial Embedding Analysis of Sentiment (FinEAS).**

FinEAS leverages BERT-based embeddings fine-tuned on financial texts to capture nuanced sentiments. The model is compared against vanilla BERT, LSTM, and FinBERT models.

Findings: FinEAS, our proposed approach, clearly outperforms two common baselines, the vanilla BERT and a bidirectional LSTM, and also obtains better results than FinBERT, a financial domain specific BERT.

FinEAS achieves large improvements in MSE with a value of 0.0556 compared to a BiLSTM (0.2108) and a BERT baseline (0.2124) for 6 months. For the other time frames, we observe a similar relative and absolute performance of FinEAS to the other approaches.

Strengths: Demonstrates the advantage of fine-tuning sentence embeddings for domain-specific sentiment analysis.

Limitations:Use of a single dataset.May require substantial labeled data for effective fine-tuning; potential overfitting to specific financial contexts.

8. Transfer Learning and Transformer Architecture for Financial Sentiment Analysis

Authors: Tohida Rehman, Raghubir Bose, Samiran Chattopadhyay, Debarshi Kumar Sanyal
Link: arXiv:2405.01586

Objective: To apply transfer learning and transformer architectures for sentiment analysis in the financial domain.
Methodology: Utilizes pre-trained transformer models fine-tuned on financial datasets, considering the impact of events like the COVID-19 pandemic. The model is applied to two different datasets with smaller training sets.

The overall methodology can be generically looked at the following steps.

1. Setup the environment for the experiments. We will setup a virtual environment for the same. This includes the setup of BERT models.

2. Bi-Directional contextual models and transformation architecture preparation of the dataset from various sources.

3. Training model is created. Classifier is run.

4. Prediction from input data.

5. Conclusion from the prediction.

Findings: The approach achieves satisfactory performance even with smaller training datasets, highlighting the efficiency of transfer learning.

Strengths: Efficient use of limited labeled data; adaptability to emerging financial events.

Limitations: Performance may vary across different financial sub-domains; requires careful selection of pre-training data

Future Scope: Further improvements can be done on real-time stock market data and apply BERT based sentiment analysis to the same and predict the target price of the stock in a far more accurate way. This way financial investment companies will be able to provide differentiated value to their end customers by minimizing the risk using right sentiment analysis techniques using transfer learning and transformer architecture.

The more the size and coverage of the Pre-trained data-set the more in the accuracy and efficiency of the continuous sentiment analysis. There is a research work done in the area of combining the three different kinds of pretraining LM like bi-directional, left to right and seq-to-seq.

9. FinBERT-LSTM: Deep Learning Based Stock Price Prediction Using News Sentiment Analysis

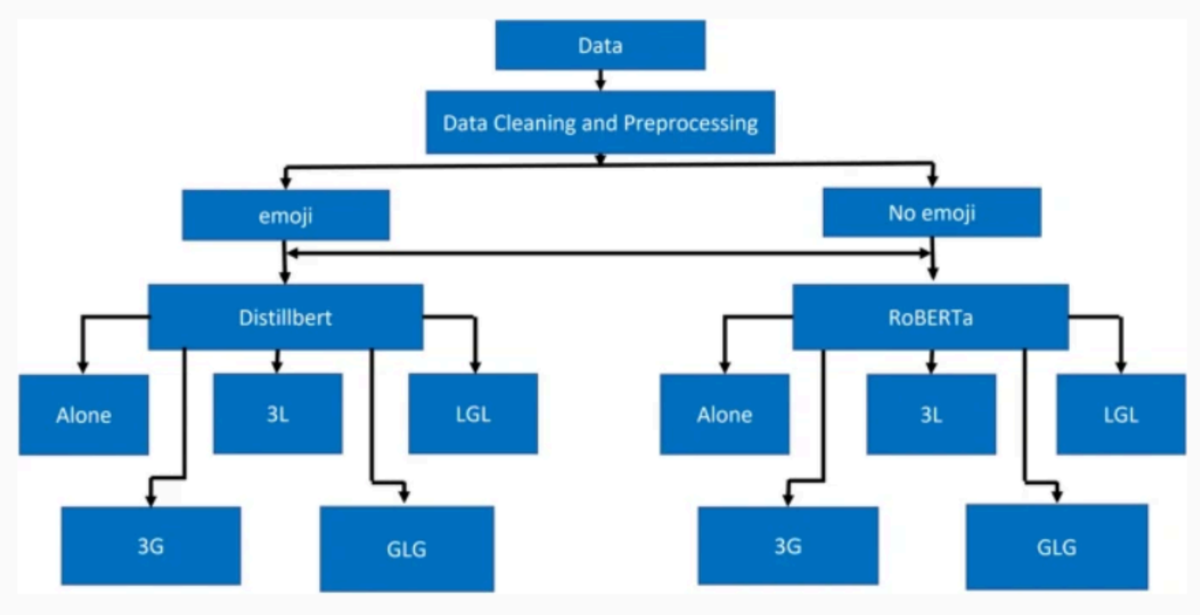
Author: Shayan Halder
Link: arXiv:2211.07392
Objective: To predict stock prices by integrating FinBERT-extracted sentiments with LSTM models and compare with vanilla LSTM and MLP.
Methodology: Combines FinBERT for sentiment extraction from news articles with LSTM networks to model stock price movements. The model is trained on NASDAQ-100 index stock data and New York Times news articles.
Findings: The hybrid model demonstrates improved accuracy over standalone models of LSTM and MLP in predicting stock trends.
Strengths: Effectively captures both textual sentiment and temporal dependencies in financial data.

Limitations: Model performance may be sensitive to the quality of news data; computationally intensive.

10. Sentiment Analysis Classification System Using Hybrid BERT Models

Authors: Not specified
Link: Journal of Big Data
Objective: To enhance sentiment analysis accuracy by combining BERT with BiLSTM and BiGRU architectures.
Methodology:

- They proposed four hybrid innovative deep learning models for emotion classification applied to three datasets. Four models for RoBERTa and four models for DistilBERT are compared to select the best hybrid model, which has the ability to extract contextual information from text.
- BiGRU and BiLSTM networks are used to extract context information from text for the fine-tuning process.
- They employed training models on emoji datasets and then tested the hypothesis of emojis' advantage as a cue in classification by training the same model but eliminating emojis in the preprocessing stage and observing the impact.



The following is the eight models used in detail:

- DistilBERT-3G: DistilBERT-3xBiGRU
- DistilBERT-3L: DistilBERT-3xBiLSTM
- DistilBERT-GLG: DistilBERT-BiGRUxBiLSTMxBiGRU
- DistilBERT-LGL: DistilBERT-BiLSTMxBiGRUxBiLSTM
- RoBERTa-3G: RoBERTa-3xBiGRU
- RoBERTa-3L: RoBERTa-3xBiLSTM
- RoBERTa-GLG: RoBERTa-BiGRUxBiLSTMxBiGRU
- RoBERTa-LGL: RoBERTa-BiLSTMxBiGRUxBiLSTM

Findings: The hybrid models, particularly those combining BERT with BiLSTM and BiGRU, achieved improved accuracy in sentiment classification tasks. The inclusion of emojis was found to enhance model performance.
Strengths: Demonstrates the effectiveness of hybrid models in capturing contextual and sequential information; highlights the significance of emojis in sentiment analysis.
Limitations: The study focuses on English-language datasets, limiting its applicability to multilingual contexts

Future Scope: We would like to extend this work in the future by combining it with classical text classification algorithms. To increase the performance of the present system, the most up-to-date approaches to feature extraction and feature selection will be integrated with traditional methods.

11. Sentiment Analysis Using BERT Model

Authors: Dorca Manuel-Ilie, Pitic Antoniu Gabriel, Crețulescu Radu George
Link: ResearchGate
Objective: To investigate the application of BERT in sentiment analysis, focusing on emotion prediction and sentiment polarity.
Methodology: The study develops a sentiment analysis algorithm utilizing BERT's deep learning capabilities. It involves preprocessing textual data, fine-tuning the BERT model, and evaluating performance using metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.
Findings: The BERT-based model demonstrates high accuracy in predicting emotions and sentiment polarity, outperforming traditional sentiment analysis methods.
Strengths: Provides a comprehensive examination of BERT's theoretical underpinnings and practical applications in sentiment analysis; offers a comparative analysis with existing methods.
Limitations: The study may require further validation across diverse datasets to generalize findings

Future Scope:Future research could prioritize refining preprocessing techniques, exploring sophisticated feature extraction methods, and considering ensemble learning approaches to further enhance performance. Addressing challenges specific to certain domains or languages will be crucial for the algorithm's continued adaptability and efficacy.

12. Leveraging the BERT Model for Enhanced Sentiment Analysis in Multicontextual Social Media Content

Authors: Hondor Saragih, Jonson Manurung
Link:Jurnal Teknik Informatika C.I.T Medicom
Objective: To investigate the application of BERT for sentiment analysis across diverse social media content, aiming to enhance classification accuracy.
Methodology: The study involves tokenizing text content, converting tokens into contextual

embeddings using BERT, and integrating multimedia features for comprehensive sentiment analysis.
Findings: The BERT model achieves a high probability of correctly classifying sentiments, with notable improvements in accuracy and low cross-entropy loss.
Strengths: Demonstrates BERT's capability to understand contextual nuances in diverse social media content; offers practical implications for businesses and marketers.
Limitations: The study highlights the need for larger and more diverse datasets and the inclusion of multimedia content to enhance generalizability.

Concluding Statement on Financial News Sentiment Analysis

The domain of **Financial News Sentiment Analysis** has seen significant evolution over the past two decades, driven by the need to understand how unstructured financial text affects market dynamics, investment behavior, and corporate performance. Research efforts have spanned across multiple subdomains including news headlines, earnings call transcripts, analyst reports, tweets, and ESG disclosures, with varying techniques tailored to both domain-specific challenges and technological advancement.

Work Done So Far

1. **Lexicon-Based Approaches** such as the use of the **Loughran-McDonald financial dictionary** and **Harvard IV-4** were among the earliest methods to assign sentiment polarity to financial text. These methods emphasized explainability and computational efficiency, making them suitable for small or real-time systems. However, they lacked contextual understanding and often struggled with sarcasm, negations, and nuanced tones present in financial language.

2. **Classical Machine Learning Models** like **Naive Bayes**, **Logistic Regression**, and **Support Vector Machines (SVM)** were trained on hand-crafted features such as Bag-of-Words (BoW), TF-IDF, and sentiment scores from dictionaries. These models offered good performance on structured data and were interpretable, but heavily relied on feature engineering and failed to capture complex linguistic structures and long-term dependencies in text.

3. The emergence of **deep learning techniques**, especially **LSTM** and **CNN**-based models, enabled better handling of sequential text data, allowing for the modeling of temporal relationships and local patterns in financial news and earnings calls. This shift marked a move toward learning data representations directly from text, reducing the need for manual feature engineering.

4. With the advent of **pretrained language models** like **BERT**, the field underwent a transformative shift. Researchers developed **domain-specific variants** such as

FinBERT, trained on financial corpora, which demonstrated superior performance in classifying financial sentiment and tone across multiple tasks, including market prediction, portfolio optimization, and credit risk assessment.

5. More advanced techniques have combined **BERT-like transformers with BiLSTM, attention mechanisms**, and **ensemble models** to extract richer semantic representations and context-aware sentiment labels. These hybrid models have proven particularly useful in analyzing subtle sentiments in earnings call transcripts, ESG reports, and merger announcements.

6. In parallel, studies also explored **aspect-based sentiment analysis**, where specific components like "revenue," "guidance," or "macroeconomic impact" are extracted and analyzed for polarity. This has enabled a more granular understanding of how specific parts of financial discourse influence stakeholders differently.

7. Recent work has further integrated **financial sentiment with quantitative data**, using **sentiment scores as input features in stock movement prediction models** and **volatility forecasting**, often alongside time-series data. These integrated models have helped uncover short-term and long-term dependencies between textual sentiment and market behavior.

8. **Multilingual sentiment analysis** in financial texts has emerged as a key research direction, given the globalized nature of finance. Researchers have started developing models that can understand sentiment in non-English financial news, using **multilingual transformers** or **cross-lingual transfer learning**.

9. Several research papers have emphasized **real-time sentiment extraction**, employing lighter models or distilled versions of large transformers to enable **low-latency inference**, which is critical for high-frequency trading and financial surveillance systems.

10. **Explainability and transparency** have also gained attention, especially in regulated industries. Efforts have been made to improve interpretability through **attention visualization**, **layer-wise relevance propagation**, and **post-hoc explanation tools** such as **LIME** and **SHAP**.

Identified Gaps and Future Scope

While the literature on financial news sentiment analysis is rich and diverse, several **key gaps and future opportunities** remain:

- **Explainability and Trust**: Deep learning models, especially transformers, act as black boxes. More research is needed into interpretable sentiment models that align with regulatory standards in finance.

- **Causal Inference**: Most existing studies focus on correlation. Future research should explore **causal relationships** between sentiment signals and market movements using **causal modeling** frameworks.

- **Temporal and Event-Based Context**: There is potential to better capture **sentiment dynamics around financial events** (e.g., earnings, policy changes) by integrating **event detection** and **temporal modeling**.
- **Multimodal Fusion**: Combining textual sentiment with other modalities like **audio from earnings calls**, **visualizations from financial charts**, or **social media interactions** remains underexplored.
- **Domain Adaptability**: While FinBERT has been successful, other sub-domains (e.g., crypto, ESG, fintech) need **custom models** trained on their respective corpora to ensure sentiment relevance.
- **Low-Resource and Real-Time Solutions**: There is growing interest in **lightweight models** that can be deployed in **edge computing environments** or **real-time trading systems** where speed is paramount.
- **Sentiment Noise and Label Ambiguity**: Human-labeled datasets for financial sentiment often suffer from subjectivity. Research into **weak supervision**, **distant labeling**, and **crowdsourcing protocols** can improve dataset quality.
- **Cross-Cultural Financial Sentiment**: Since financial sentiment can be culturally influenced, there's scope for **cross-country** sentiment analysis incorporating economic context and regional language models.
- **Sentiment-Augmented Forecasting Models**: Integrating sentiment as structured input in **price prediction**, **volatility modeling**, or **credit scoring** models has shown promise but needs more generalizable frameworks.

Final Thoughts

The field of **Financial News Sentiment Analysis** is progressing toward intelligent systems that not only **extract sentiment** from complex financial narratives but also **translate it into actionable financial insights**. By continuing to innovate across **natural language processing**, **financial domain modeling**, and **market-aware learning systems**, researchers can build robust, transparent, and real-time sentiment analysis systems that contribute significantly to **financial decision-making, risk management**, and **economic forecasting**. The future lies in **integrated**, **interpretable**, and **domain-adaptive sentiment systems** that bridge the gap between textual interpretation and quantitative financial reasoning.