

### Assignment 3: Spam or Ham Classification (using SVM)

The training data was obtained from UCI repository. <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/machine-learning-databases/00228/>

The algorithm used in the code is as follows

1. Read the training data (messages) in .txt format and store it in the form of table with labels (ham and spam) clearly mentioned.
2. Segregate the messages and the labels.
3. Read the test data one at a time from 'test' folder in .txt format and add it to the last row of the training data table and call it total data. (This is done to make sure that the word vector is the same for both training data and test data).
4. Tokenize each message into set of individual words.
5. Pre-process the total data to remove stop-words, replace '/' with ' ', erase punctuation and normalize the words.
6. Create bag of words which provides information about the word count in each document against the word vector (features).
7. Create the tfidf (time frequency-inverse document frequency) from the bag of words considering all the features (words in word vector). It is possible to reduce the number of features (words) to obtain tfidf using topkwords command.
8. Once the tfidf matrix is obtained, it is necessary to segregate the test data from the training data before performing svm. tfidf of the test data will be the last row of tfidf matrix of total data.
9. Once segregated, use the tfidf of training data and the corresponding labels (ham or spam) to obtain the weights of the features. In the code, fitsvm is used which works well for binary classification with moderate number of features.
10. Perform cross validation if required. kfoldLoss gives the cross validation error.
11. Predict whether the test message is ham or spam using the predict command which takes in tfidf of the test data and weights calculated for each feature.
12. The code outputs whether the test message was classified as 'ham' or 'spam'.

The model loss obtained for two iterations were 1.76% and 1.81%.

Fig(1) shows the text file of the training data.

Fig(2) shows the test file of the testing data email1.

Fig(3) shows the test file of the testing data email2.

Fig(4) shows the result output for the test message email1 and email2.

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ham I can't believe how attached I am to seeing you every day. I know you will do the best you can to get to me babe. I will go to teach my class at your midnight  
ham Just sleeping..and surfing  
spam ASKED 3MOBILE IF 0870 CHATLINES INCLU IN FREE MINS. INDIA CUST SERVs SED YES. L8ER GOT MEGA BILL. 3 DONT GIV A SHIT. BAILIFF DUE IN DAYS. I O £250 3 WANT £800  
ham Yeah it's jus rite...  
ham Armand says get your ass over to epsilon  
ham U still havent got urself a jacket ah?  
ham I'm taking derek & taylor to walmart, if I'm not back by the time you're done just leave the mouse on my desk and I'll text you when priscilla's ready  
ham Hi its in durban are you still on this number  
ham Ic. There are a lotta childporn cars then.  
spam Had your contract mobile 11 Mnth? Latest Motorola, Nokia etc. all FREE! Double Mins & Text on Orange tariffs. TEXT YES for callback, no to remove from records.  
ham No, I was trying it all weekend ;V  
ham You know, wot people wear. T shirts, jumpers, hat, belt, is all we know. We r at Cribbs  
ham Cool, what time you think you can get here?  
ham Wen did you get so spiritual and deep. That's great  
ham Have a safe trip to Nigeria. Wish you happiness and very soon company to share moments with  
ham Hahaha..use your brain dear  
ham Well keep in mind I've only got enough gas for one more round trip barring a sudden influx of cash  
ham Yeh. Indians was nice. Tho it did kane me off a bit he he. We shud go out 4 a drink sometime soon. Mite hav 2 go 2 da works 4 a laugh soon. Love Pete x x  
ham Yes i have. So that's why u texted. Pshew...missing you so much  
ham No. I meant the calculation is the same. That &#x26; units at &#x26;. This school is really expensive. Have you started practicing your accent.  
ham Because its important. And have you decided if you are doing 4years of dental school or if you'll just do the nmde exam.  
ham Sorry, I'll call later  
ham If you aren't here in the next &#x26; hours imma flip my shit  
ham Anything lor. Juz both of us lor.  
ham Get me out of this dump heap. My mom decided to come to lowes. BORING.  
ham Ok lor... Sony ericsson salesman... I ask shuhui then she say quite gd 2 use so i considering...  
ham And 6 like dat lor.  
ham Why don't you wait 'til at least wednesday to see if you get your .  
ham Huh y lei...  
spam REMINDER FROM O2: To get 2.50 pounds free call credit and details of great offers pls reply 2 this text with your valid name, house no and postcode  
spam This is the 2nd time we have tried 2 contact u. U have won the £750 Pound prize. 2 claim is easy, call 08718727200 NOW!! Only 10p per minute. BT-national-rate.  
ham Will ů b going to esplanade fr home?  
ham Pity, \* was in mood for that. So...any other suggestions?  
ham The guy did some bitching but I acted like i'd be interested in buying something else next week and he gave it to us for free  
ham Rofl. Its true to its name

Figure 1: Training data.

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Dear Sir,

PRML quiz was the first exam we have taken among all the other courses here at IIT Madras. We were not really sure about what kind of questions to expect either.

I have received a lot of requests from my classmates to request you to increase the number of quizzes to 6 and make it best 4 out of 6. I have raised this issue in the CR meeting and they have told me to ask you.

We would be really grateful if you could consider it.

Thanks and regards

Figure 2: Testing data (email1).

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Dear Beneficiary,

The United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC) has approved to pay you a compensation amount of US\$1,500,000 (One Million, Five Hundred Thousand United State Dollars) due to losses and damages suffered as to delayed foreign contract payment of individuals, firms, contractors, inheritance, next-of-kin, super hurricane Sandy and lottery beneficiaries that originated from Africa, Europe, Americas, Asia including the Middle East. Your approved Compensation package has been deposited in the "Security Vault of SunWay Finance & Security company USA" waiting for delivery. For identification and swift delivery of your compensation package, you are advice to contact Diplomat Ellis Gammon of SunWay Finance & Security company and re-confirm your delivery details: call Tel: +1 321 586 1802, E-mail: ellisgammon@gmail.com

1. Full Name:
2. Delivery Address:
3. Direct Phone Number:
4. Nearest Airport:
5. Age/Occupation:

Congratulations on your payment approval

Yours faithfully,  
Mrs. Jennifer McNichols.  
UNCC Compensation Coordinator.

Figure 3: Testing data (email2)

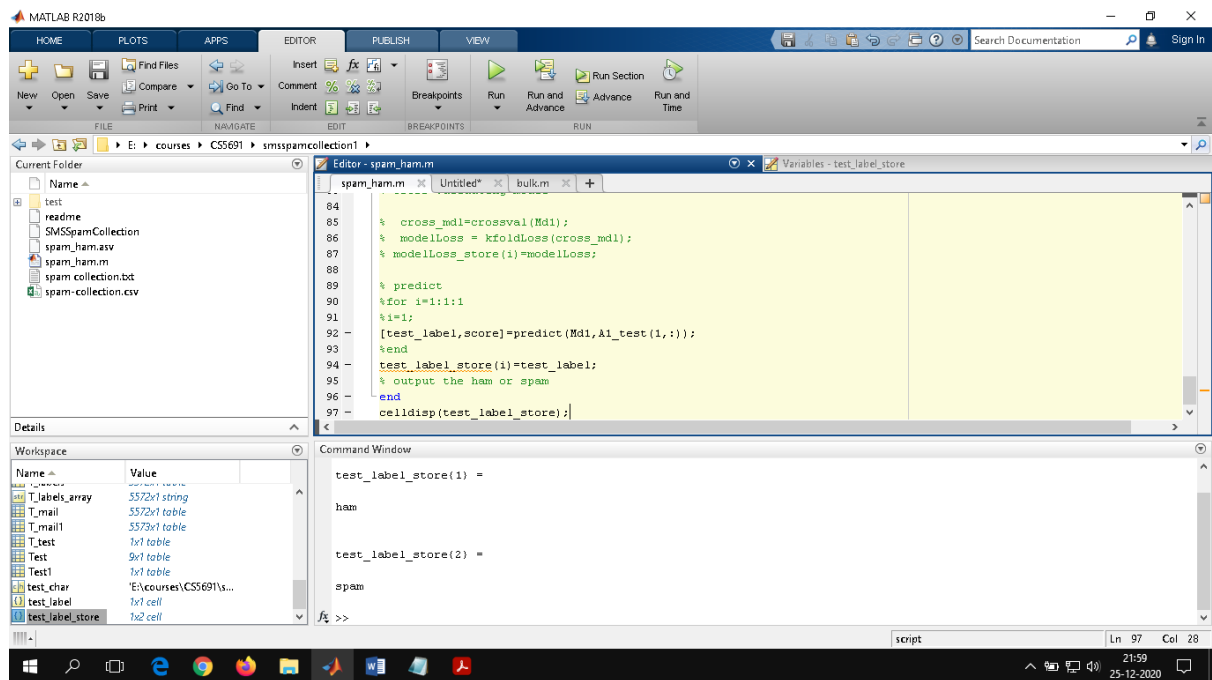


Figure 4: Result output from matlab for test data. (email1 and email2)