

TOPIC CLASSIFICATION

*Hybrid feature selection model using
PSO and MLP*



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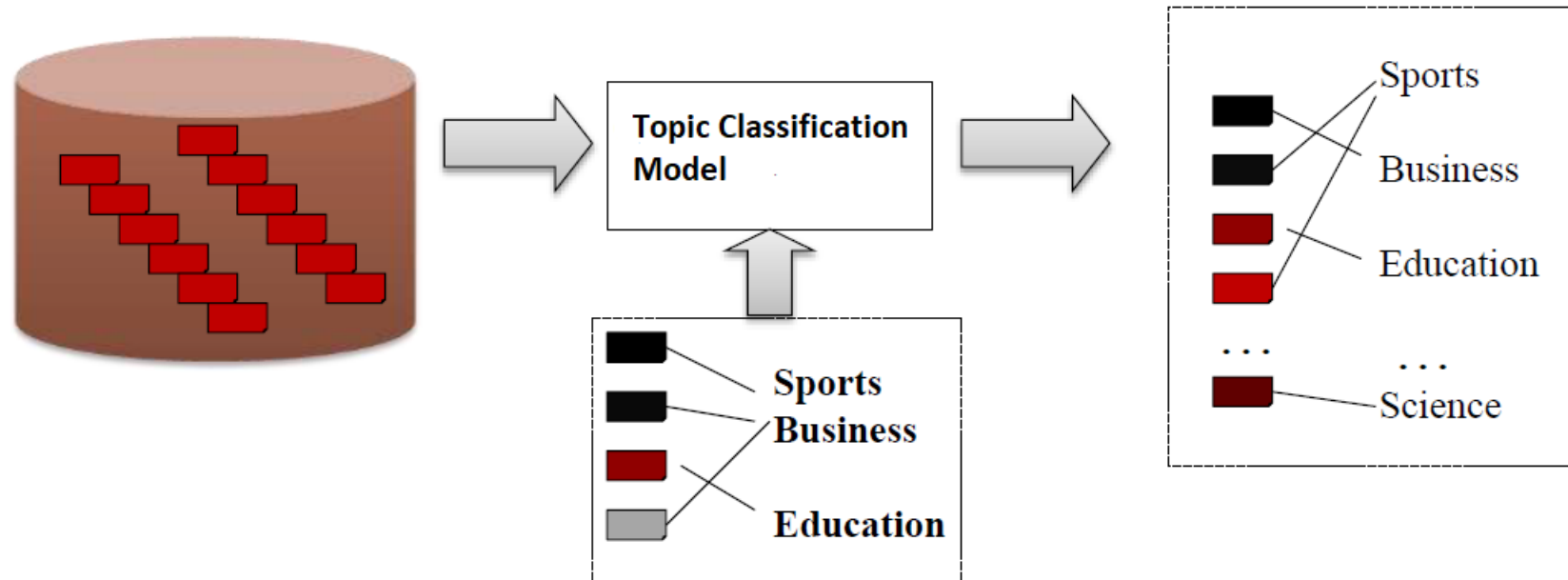
Motivation

- Organizing News feed data based on topics
(Crime investigation's or law maker's)
- Analyzing problems in log-files (space center's)
- Categorize domain specific academic
Journals/Articles
- Finding topic of interest Social media
(Cambridge Analytica scandal)



Introduction

- ❑ To categorize the documents into pre-defined classes
- ❑ Helps to uncover hidden patterns from a huge pile of new documents
- ❑ A standard classification (supervised learning) problem



Research Problems

- Representing text is usually High-dimensional

“Curse of Dimensionality”

- Optimal feature subset selection

“Selecting the most relevant ones”

- overfitting of data

“Fine tuning classifier”



Research Question

“This research investigates whether the proposed hybrid feature selection method can reduce the size of features and improve the classification accuracy of topic classification model with respect to news articles”



Related work

Search based techniques: “Bag-of-words” model approach

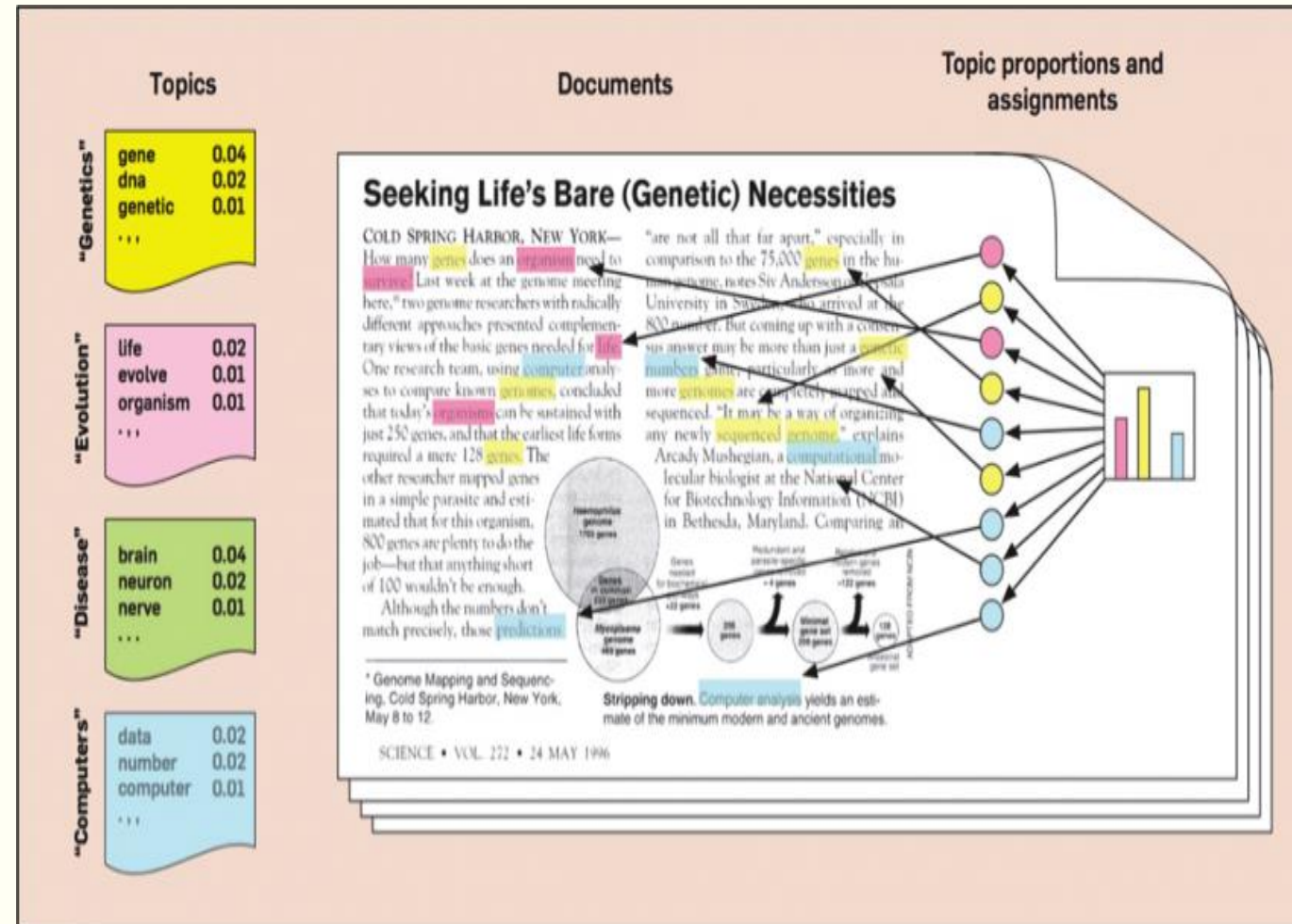
Feature Selection methods

- Filter methods: IG, Chi-Square, Tf-idf
- Wrapper methods: GA, PSO, AFSA.
- Hybrid methods: Trade-off between filter and wrapper methods

Classifiers: Naïve Bayes, SVM, MLP

Applications:

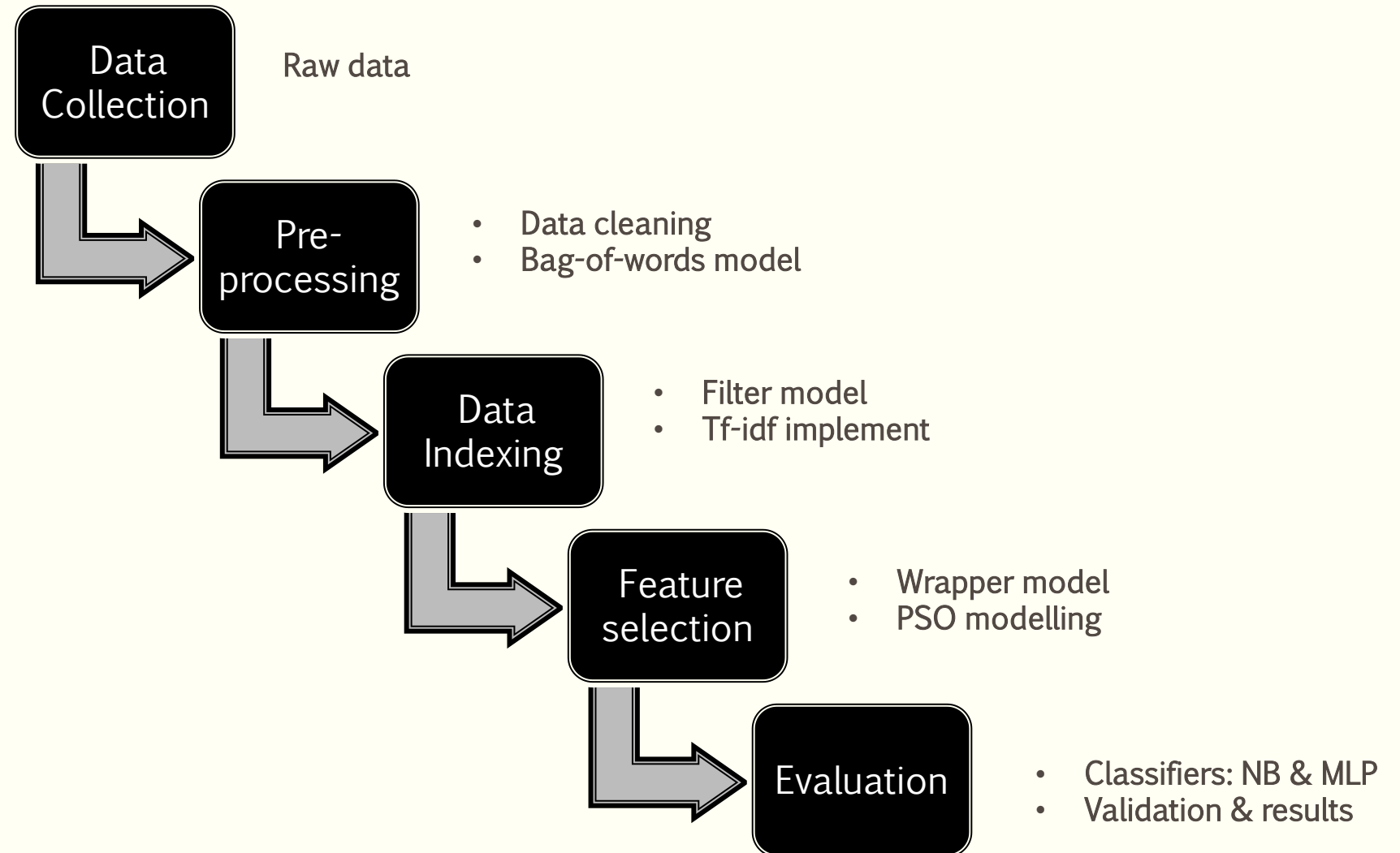
- Text classification (Labani et al. (2018))
- Gene Classification (Chuang et al. (2016))
- Image features extraction (Zhang et al. (2017a))
- Spam message filtering (Hu et al. (2015))



Objectives

- Information retrieval from large collection of unstructured data
- Identify the feature subset that are most useful for separating different categories
- To improve the classification accuracy on training data by optimally combining the features subset.
- The trained classifier can be applied to a test document to predict the most likely category.

Methodology



Data Collection And Description

- Datasets from “20NewsGroup” text corpus repository was used for this research.
- Dataset Description:

News Topics	Documents
Computer Science	973
Sports	994
Electronics	984
Politics	910
Religion	628
Total	4489

Table 1: News Documents

Data Pre-processing

The data cleaning includes

- Tokenization,
- Stop words removal,
- Stemming and Lemmatization.

Bag-of- words model creation

After pre-processing, the corpus data consist of 23406 input features/words.



(a) Computer Science



(b) Sports



(c) Electronics



(d) Politics



(e) Religion

Figure 2: Wordcloud of News Topics

Data Indexing

Training and Testing

- No. of train Documents: 3591
- No. of test Documents: 898
- Total docs: 4489

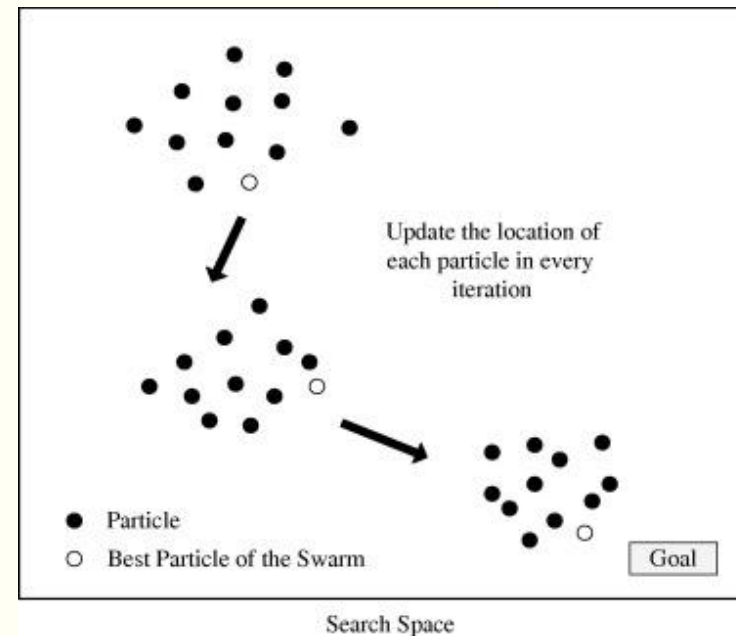
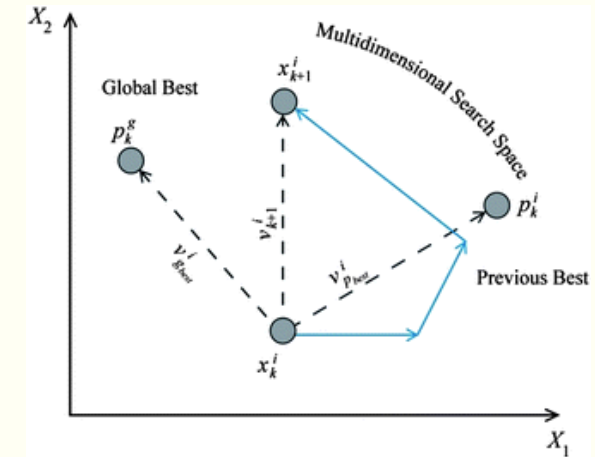
Applying Tf-idf implementation (Filter method)

- Documents are represented as feature vectors
- A sequence of features and their weights

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Politics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.188897	0.190293	0.195489	0.198934	0.200410	0.2
Computers	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0
Computers	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.152703	0.160363	0.189214	0.190933	0.202314	0.2
Sports	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.215623	0.237239	0.246311	0.254829	0.268718	0.2
Politics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.0
Electronics	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.202720	0.204579	0.206136	0.220535	0.224236	0.2
Religion	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.119976	0.125590	0.127601	0.148459	0.152759	0.1

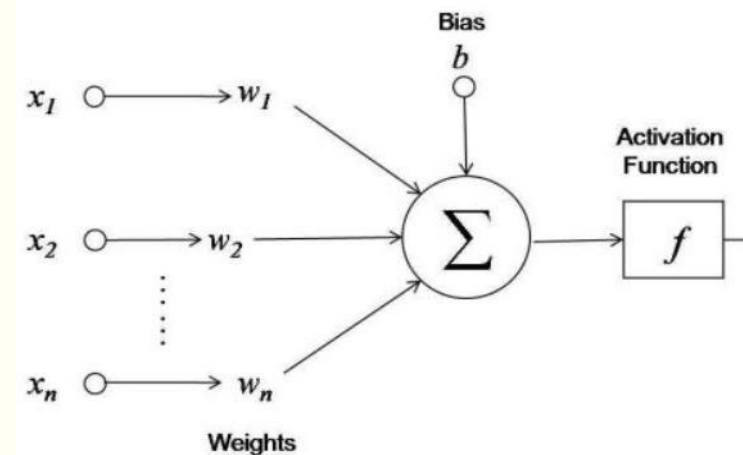
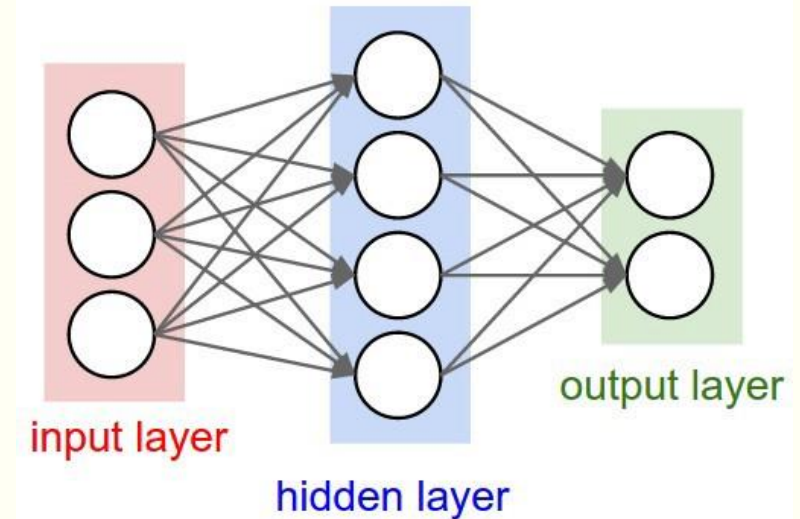
Particle Swarm Optimization

Particle swarm optimization (PSO) is a computational method that optimizes a problem by iteratively trying to improve a candidate solution with regard to a given measure of quality. It solves a problem by having a population of candidate solutions, here dubbed particles, and moving these particles around in the search-space according to simple mathematical formulae over the particle's position and velocity (Kennedy, J., 2011).



Multi-layer neural network

- The neural networks are trained by back propagation
- Modifying the weights in order to minimize the error
- Produce good results with complex datasets (high dimensional).
- Suitable for discrete data or text data
- Testing is very fast.



Evaluation criteria

1. 5-fold cross validation
2. **Precision:** High precision lesser the chance of false positive
3. **Recall:** Negative prediction rate
4. **F-measure:** Lesser the F-score higher the misclassification rate
5. **Accuracy:** To obtain optimum performance accuracy must be high

Dimensionality reduction

Feature Selection Method	No. of selected features
Tf-idf	11810
BPSO	7207

Table 7: Dimension reduction

Results Comparison

News Documents	Feature selection model (Tf-idf + BPSO)		
	Precision	Recall	F-measure
Computer Science	0.80	0.88	0.84
Sports	0.92	0.90	0.91
Electronics	0.80	0.85	0.82
Politics	0.74	0.90	0.81
Religion	0.96	0.44	0.60
Avg/total	0.84	0.82	0.81

Table 4: Multinomial naive Bayes (Baseline classifier) classification performance with 5 news data groups

News Documents	Feature selection model (Tf-idf + BPSO)		
	Precision	Recall	F-measure
Computer Science	0.87	0.86	0.87
Sports	0.93	0.85	0.88
Electronics	0.72	0.90	0.80
Politics	0.88	0.80	0.84
Religion	0.83	0.75	0.79
Avg/total	0.85	0.84	0.84

Table 5: Multi-layer perceptron (MLP) classification performance with five news data groups

Topic Classification model	Accuracy (%)
BPSO with MLP Classifier	83.45
BPSO with Naive Bayes Classifier	80.95

Table 6: 5-fold classification accuracy of Topic classification model

Conclusion

- Necessary to optimize the features and its subsets instead of just filtering based on frequency weights.
- Combination of feature selection methods Tf-idf and BPSO
- The results proved BPSO technique had better filtering process than Tf-Idf filter approach.
- Usage of neural network classifier like MLP helped achieve better classification when compared to multinomial naive Bayes

Future work

- Extend this work and test on large corpus of data and evaluate our model performance
- Using Hadoop distributed platform, to reduce processing time of BPSO and MLP and make classification task easier

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