

NLP Homework 4

Due Sunday, April 22, 11:59 pm.

Sentiment Analysis of Amazon Product Reviews

It is increasingly common that Internet users engage in various of online reviews. The availability of these review content offers researchers opportunities to better understand and model online social behavior. In this homework, you will conduct sentiment analysis to gain some understanding about the Amazon product reviews.

1. Dataset

In this problem, you will analyze the review contents from Amazon Product Data provided by Julian McAuley at <http://jmcauley.ucsd.edu/data/amazon/>. This dataset contains product reviews and metadata from Amazon, including 142.8 million reviews spanning May 1996 – July 2014. It includes reviews (ratings, text, helpfulness votes), product metadata (descriptions, category information, price, brand, and image features), and links (also viewed/also bought graphs).

For our tasks, we will use only 5-core subsets of three categories (Baby / Clothing, Shoes and Jewelry / Health and Personal Care). 5-core subsets mean that all users and items in the dataset have at least 5 reviews.

Originally, the dataset was a zipped file of json format and the content was arranged in dictionaries. For your convenience, the dataset was modified into text file and is available for download in the Assignment folder in the course web site: Baby.txt and clothing_shoes_jewelry.txt. You should choose one of them for the analysis.

Here are the screenshots of a raw data and a modified review file:

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{
  "reviewerID": "A1HK2FQW6KXQB2",
  "asin": "097293751X",
  "reviewerName": "Amanda Johnsen \"Amanda E. Johnsen\"",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": ""
},
{
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  "reviewerName": "angela",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "This book is such a life save"
},
{
  "reviewerID": "A2LL1TGG90977E",
  "asin": "097293751X",
  "reviewerName": "Carter",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "Helps me know exactly how my"
},
{
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  "asin": "097293751X",
  "reviewerName": "cfpurplerose",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "I bought this a few time"
},
{
  "reviewerID": "A2496A4EWMQL7",
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},
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},
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  "reviewerID": "AT2DT4B1U7NL",
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  "reviewerName": "HYM",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "My 3 month old son spend half of h"
},
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  "reviewerName": "Jen",
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  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "During your postpartum stay at the"
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  "reviewerName": "MAPN",
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  "reviewText": "I use this so that our babysitt"
},
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  "reviewerName": "Mommy Poppins",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "This book is a great wa"
},
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  "reviewerName": "onlygreen",
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},
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  "asin": "097293751X",
  "reviewerName": "R. Davidson \"Jrdpa\"",
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  "reviewText": "I like this lo"
},
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  "reviewerName": "R. Garrelts",
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  "helpful": [0, 0],
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},
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},
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  "reviewerName": "Casey T. Spohnholtz \"CTS\"",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "This ite"
},
{
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  "asin": "9729375011",
  "reviewerName": "C. Marker",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
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  "reviewerName": "Coach",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
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  "asin": "9729375011",
  "reviewerName": "CoopJen",
  "helpful": [0, 0],
  "reviewText": "I've been using this since t"
}
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Fig 1. Raw data

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reviewerID:A2LL1TGG90977E
asin:097293751X
reviewerName:Carter
helpful:[0, 0]
reviewText:Helps me know exactly how my babies day has gone with my mother in law watchi
overall:5.0
summary:Grandmother watching baby
unixReviewTime:1395187200
reviewTime:03 19, 2014

reviewerID:A5G19RYX8599E
asin:097293751X
reviewerName:cfpurplerose
helpful:[0, 0]
reviewText:I bought this a few times for my older son and have bought it again for my ne
overall:5.0
summary:repeat buyer
unixReviewTime:1376697600
reviewTime:08 17, 2013

reviewerID:A2496A4EWMLQ7
asin:097293751X
reviewerName:C. Jeter
helpful:[0, 0]
reviewText:I wanted an alternative to printing out daily log sheets for the nanny to fil
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Fig 2. Modified review file used for the task

- reviewerID: ID of the reviewer
- asin: ID of the product
- reviewerName: name of the reviewer
- helpful: helpfulness rating of the review, e.g. 2/3
- reviewText: text of the product
- overall: rating of the product
- summary: summary of the review
- unixReviewTime: time of the review (unix time)
- reviewTime: time of the review (raw)

2. Data Pre-processing (20%)

You will write a Python code that extracts only review texts. Please submit the sample screenshot of the output (included in your report file).

3. Sentiment Analysis (80%)

Based on what we have learned from this class, you will explore the sentiment of the comments at the

sentence level. This includes how to process the words and how to conduct the sentiment analysis using classifiers. Ultimately, you will provide two lists of sentences: one is marked as negative and the other as positive, your Python code and screenshot, and your report.

In your report, please explain in detail the processing techniques that you have applied, the features you used for the classification task, and your experiments. For the data preprocessing/cleaning task, we have learned about several techniques such as tokenization, sentence creation, regular expression processing, stop word filtering, etc. You should describe the techniques you used in this assignment.

For the classification task and the experiments, you should start with the “bag-of-words” features where you collect all the words in the sentence_polarity corpus and select some number of most frequent words to be the word features. You should use at least NaiveBayes classifier to train and test a classifier on your feature sets. If possible, i.e., if time and space permit, you should use cross-validation to obtain precision, recall, and F-measure scores. In your experiments, you should use at least two different sets of features and compare the results. For example, you may take the unigram word features as a baseline and see if the features you designed improve the accuracy of the classification. Here are some of the types of experiments that we have done so far:

- Filter by stop words or other pre-processing methods
- Representing negation
- Using a sentiment lexicon with scores or counts: Subjectivity

4. Bonus Credit (10%)

You do not need to work on the following task, but if you do and do well, you will have 10% bonus credit for this assignment.

Choose an additional, more advanced type of task from this list, or propose your own

- Using Weka or SciKit Learn classifiers with features produced in NLTK
- Using an additional type of lexicon besides Subjectivity
- Implement additional features

The student with the best performance will be invited to participate in a research project with the instructor and/or co-author a paper related to NLP analysis of the Amazon product reviews.

How to Submit Homework:

Go to the Blackboard system and the Assignment for Homework 4. Attach your report file and submit. Your submission should include:

- 1) your report in a PDF format
- 2) Table including two lists of sentences: negative vs positive (Please include in your report)
- 3) Your Python code and the processing screenshots (Please submit in one separate folder zipped)