Sentiment Analysis of Tweets Based on the Polarity of their Bag of Words Representation

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In a nutshell...

- 1. Web Scrape tweets data from the website using API.
- 2. Tokenize, filter by length, lowercase the words, and extract the major features from 20 tweets based on frequency distribution.
- 3. Rank each tweet by the number of positive/negative terms matched with a dictionary. This will serve as training set.
- 4. Use machine learning algorithms, such as Naive Bayes Classifier, Support Vector Classifier, and Decision Tree Classifier to see which is most accurate in predicting polarity.

End users

- Market Research
- Stock Returns for Investors and Hedge Fund Managers
- Political Campaigns

Minimum Requirements for 8 Weeks

Basic Functionalities:

- ability to assign ratings to tweets
- extract relevant key features for evaluation
- compare the test results with the training results to ensure accuracy and precision.

Ideal Data

- Loughran McDonald Master Dictionary of business
- NYtimes Tweets

Existing Solution & More...

- Inspired by RavenPack
- My solution is more applicable to general news data and is based on statistical analysis.

Validation of Success of the Project

- Naive Bayes Classifier 3rd
- Vector Support Machine Classifier 1st
- Decision Tree Classifier 2nd

Bibliography

Github Repository:

https://github.com/marlesque/Sentiment_Analyzer/tree/master/LI

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Master Dictionary:

https://sraf.nd.edu/textual-analysis/resources/

Thank you!