The Outcomes and Publication Standards of Research Descriptions in Document Classification: Systematic Review Supplements

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Abstract

Document classification, a critical area of research, employs machine and deep learning methods to solve real-world problems. This study attempts to highlight the qualitative and quantitative outcomes of the literature review from a broad range of scopes, including machine and deep learning methods, as well as solutions based on nature, biological, or quantum physics-inspired methods. A rigorous synthesis was conducted using a systematic literature review of 102 papers published between 2003 and 2023. The 20 Newsgroups (bydate version) were used as a reference point of benchmarks to ensure fair comparisons of methods. Qualitative analysis revealed that recent studies utilize Graph Neural Networks (GNNs) combined with models based on the transformer architecture and propose end-to-end solutions. Quantitative analysis demonstrated state-of-the-art results, with accuracy, micro and macro F1-scores of 90.38%, 88.28%, and 89.38%, respectively. However, the reproducibility of many studies may need to be revised for the scientific community. The resulting overview covers a wide range of document classification methods and can contribute to a better understanding of this field. Additionally, the systematic review approach reduces systematic error, making it useful for researchers in the document classification community.

I. COMPONENTS OF A TEXT CLASSIFICATION PIPELINE

The sections below outline the literature related to text classification extensively. More specifically, we deeply explain each related work to a text classification pipeline's different components. This analysis addresses questions 2-4 from our questionnaire.

A. Learning methods in the manipulation of input training data

Table I lists three articles that describe the use of training data.

TABLE I: Known and used learning methods.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description	
	Shen et al. (2020)	
Details	The authors propose applying learning vector quantization (LVQ) classifiers to the online scenario with stochastic gradient optimization for updating prototypes. They present two efficient clustering-based methods for extracting information from unlabeled data. They use different criteria to update	
	prototypes for labelled and unlabeled data.	
Findings	We can use both the maximum conditional likelihood criterion and the clustering criteria, such as	
-	Gaussian mixture or neural gas, alternatively based on the availability of label information. By doing so, we can fully leverage both supervised and unsupervised data to enhance performance.	
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.	
	Kim et al. (2019)	
Details	The authors extend the standard co-training learning method. In order to increase the variety of feature sets for classification, they transform a document using three different document representation methods.	
Findings	The proposed multi-co-training (MCT) method achieves superior classification performance, even when the documents are transformed into a very-low-dimensional vector and the labelled documents are very few.	
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) different scenarios of class imbalance should be explored, and (2) the computational complexity should be improved.	
	Pavlinek and Podgorelec (2017)	
Details	The authors propose a new self-training solution, known as Self-Training with Latent Dirichlet Allocation (ST-LDA), which utilizes inductive learning in which evaluation is conducted on a validation set.	
Findings	Only a few instances in the early training stage caused the model to be over-fitted. ST-LDA requires a minimal amount of training labelled data to outperform other models.	

Challenges	The work points out that, (1) a better initial labeled set should be established, and (2) the computation time required should also be reduced.
	Cai and He (2012)
Details	The authors propose an approach that explicitly considers the intrinsic manifold structure of data.
Findings	The authors suggest combining the methods that select the most uncertain data points, and those that
	select the most representative points.
Challenges	The work points out that, the computational complexity should be improved.

B. Pre-processing and feature construction

Table II lists one article that describes a pre-processing issue.

TABLE II: Known and used pre-processing methods.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description	
	Nagumothu et al. (2021)	
Details	The authors propose a hybrid approach that leverages the structure of knowledge embedded in a	
	corpus. In particular, the paper reports on experiments where linked data triples (subject-predicate-	
	object), constructed from natural language elements, are derived from deep learning.	
Findings	The research indicates that linked data triples increased the F-score of the baseline GloVe represen-	
	tations by 6% and showed significant improvement over state-of-the-art models like BERT.	
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.	

C. Feature weighting

Table III lists three articles that address the problem of feature weighting.

TABLE III: Known and used schemes of feature weighting.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description
	Attieh and Tekli (2023)
Details	The authors present a new text classification framework called Category-based Feature Engineering
	(CFE). It includes a supervised weighting scheme based on a variant of the Term Frequency-Inverse
	Category Frequency (TF-ICF) model, integrated into three efficient classification methods.
Findings	The proposed approach improves text classification accuracy while requiring significantly less
	computation time than their deep model alternatives.
Challenges	The paper suggests three areas for further research, (1) exploring the use of external corpora and
	semantic data augmentation to enhance target feature vectors, (2) utilizing human-tailored knowledge
	bases such as WordNet and DBPedia, and (3) conducting more comprehensive evaluation procedures.
	Shehzad et al. (2022)
Details	The authors propose a novel approach for term weighting called the binned term count (BTC), which
	involves a non-linear mapping of term frequency.
Findings	BTC helps to mitigate the normalization effect on lengthy documents.
Challenges	The study recommends using variable bin lengths that adjust to the average size of documents in a
	corpus. This approach may control and allocate document length variations more effectively.
	Jia and Zhang (2022)
Details	A new term weighting scheme called Document Representation Based on Global Policy (DRGP) is
	introduced.
Findings	We should choose the representation methods according to corpora characteristics for better classifi-
	cation performance.
Challenges	The study recommends continuing the research and introducing new optimization methods to reduce
	the calculation cost.
	Tang et al. (2022)
Details	A new term weighting scheme called Root Term Frequency - Inverse Document Frequency - Distorted
	Cumulative Residual Entropy (RTF-IDF-DCRE) and its variants are introduced.

Findings	The paper demonstrates that RTF-IDF-DCRE performs better than TF-IDF and current supervised term weighting methods. Furthermore, the study presents new and thoroughly analyzed findings that differ from previous research.
Challenges	The study recommends (1) consider semantic relationships between terms, and (2) represent texts directly in latent numerical feature spaces.
	Wang et al. (2021a)
Details	A new term weighting entropy-based schemes to measure the effectiveness of terms in distinguishing between categories are introduced.
Findings	Term weighting scheme effectiveness varies with datasets, classifiers, and classification types. The authors propose their schemes as better reflecting term distinguishing power in text categorization than many previous schemes.
Challenges	The study recommends (1) evaluating the method on larger datasets, (2) improving model parameter estimation, and (3) exploring the potential benefits of incorporating entropy-based term weighting methods to enhance the performance of embedding methods.
	Tang et al. (2020)
Details	A new term weighting scheme called Frequency-inverse Exponential Frequency (TF-IEF), with a new global weighting factor, IEF, to characterize a global weighting factor is introduced.
Findings	TF-IEF outperforms other term weighting schemes, such as TF-CHI2 and TF-IG.
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.
	Chen et al. (2016)
Details	A new Supervised Term Weighting (STW) scheme called Term Frequency & Inverse Gravity Moment (TF-IGM) is introduced.
Findings	TF-IGM outperforms TF-IDF and the state-of-the-art STW schemes.
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) comparative studies on the IGM model as a new measure of sample
	distribution should be conducted, and (2) the model should be applied to feature dimension reduction and sentiment analysis.
	Luo et al. (2011)
Details	The authors propose a novel term weighting scheme by exploiting the semantics of categories and indexing terms.
Findings	The approach outperforms TF-IDF with small amounts of training data, or when the content of the documents is focused on well-defined categories.
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) other ontologies, with wider coverage for expressing the sense of words and category labels, should be employed, and (2) different ways of representing the semantics of categories and other similarity measures should be explored.

D. Learning algorithms that utilize dimension reduction techniques - feature selection case
Table IV lists fifteen articles that propose new feature selection methods.

TABLE IV: Known and used feature selection methods.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description	
	Brockmeier et al. (2018)	
Details	The feature selection proposed utilizes a method known as descriptive clustering, which involves automatically organizing data instances into clusters, and generating a descriptive summary for each cluster.	
Findings	The proposed method performs accurately, and yields feature subsets that are indicative of the cluster content.	
Challenges	The work points out that, the more complex features, including multi-word expressions, named entities, and clusters of the features themselves should be investigated.	
	Al-Salemi et al. (2018)	
Details	Seven feature ranking methods are applied in order to improve the performance of the RFBoost classification method (Al-Salemi et al., 2016). An accelerated version of RFBoost, called RFBoost1, is introduced.	
Findings	RFBoost is an improved and accelerated version of AdaBoost. MH. There is no overall best feature ranking method. The performance of the feature ranking methods depends on the nature of the datasets. RFBoost1 has fast performance.	

Challenges The authors wish to investigate the use of other feature selection methods to improve both RFBoost

and RFBoost1.

Hassaine et al. (2017)

Details The proposed approach extracts keywords in hierarchical order of importance using a hyper rectangle

tree.

Findings The hyper rectangle algorithm provides discriminating features that are almost independent of the

chosen weights. The logistic regression classifier outperforms random forests due to better handling

of a large number of features.

Challenges The work points out that, the other tasks, such as anomaly detection, sentiment analysis, and document

indexing and ranking should be considered.

Javed and Babri (2017)

Details A method known as Normalized Difference Measure (NDM) utilizes the true positive rate (tpr) and

false positive rate (fpr) to create a feature ranking metric.

Findings A term occurring with different document frequencies in positive and negative classes is relatively

more discriminative than one that has similar document frequencies in both classes. NDM boosts

terms that are rare in both classes.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Tang et al. (2016a)

Details The authors use Baggenstoss's PDF Project Theorem (PPT) to reformulate Bayes' decision rule for

classification with selected class-specific features.

Findings An improvement is achieved in a small number of the features. When more features are selected, the

classification performance of all methods considered improve, leading to a minor improvement to the

overall approach.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Tang et al. (2016b)

Details Based on JMH-divergence, the authors developed two efficient feature selection methods for text

categorization, termed maximum discrimination (MD) and χ^2 methods.

Findings Almost all of the filter-based feature selection approaches use binary variables. These filter approaches

only by exploring the intrinsic characteristics of the data.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) feature dependence should be utilized in order to maximize discriminative

capacity, and (2) enhancement of the learning for rare categories should be considered.

Li (2016)

Details The authors propose a formula that convert the values of a feature selection method's parameters from

integers to real values.

Findings The proposed method assists the Chi-square (χ^2) and Information Gain (IG) metrics to obtain better

results, especially when fewer features are used on imbalanced datasets.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) other datasets should be considered for evaluation, and (2) the proposed

strategy should be applied to revising other feature selection methods.

Al-Salemi et al. (2016)

Details The RFBoost algorithm proposed is based on filtering a low, fixed number of ranked features, rather

than using all features. Two methods for ranking features are proposed: (1) One Boosting Round

(OBR); and (2) Labeled Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LLDA).

Findings RFBoost, with the new weighting policies and the LLDA-based feature ranking, significantly

outperformed all other algorithms evaluated. OBR-based feature ranking yielded the worst performance

overall.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) multi-label classification problems should be considered, and (2) other

feature ranking methods, as it is the core concept for improving the effectiveness of RFBoost, should

be considered.

Wang et al. (2016)

Details The proposed method, known as Categorical Document Frequency Divided by Categorical Number

(CDFDC), involves adding information about categories to a given term in the original formula of

Categorical Document Frequency (CDF), to increase the discrimination of the terms.

Findings The high computational complexity might not enable high precision or recall rate, and stable and

predictable time efficiency is necessary.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) other, more extensive datasets should be evaluated, and (2) the connection

between algorithm complexity and document-time-efficiency should be explored.

Zong et al. (2015)

Details The method established, known as Discriminative Feature Selection with Similarity (DFS+Similarity),

selects features with strong discriminative power, and considers the semantic similarity between

features and documents.

Findings DFS, DFS+Similarity, Chi Square (χ 2) statistic, Information Gain (IG), and Mutual Information (MI)

produce the worst results when the number of features is the lowest (1000). MI and IG perform

relatively poorer than the others, and they are sensitive to the number of features.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) multi-label classification problems should be considered, and (2) the

characteristics of feature distribution in each category of documents should be considered.

Feng et al. (2015)

Details The authors develop an optimal set of features that is characterized by global and local section indices

for group and single features, respectively. The author also proposes a Latent Selection Augmented

Naive (LSAN) Bayes classifier to enable a suitable fit to the data.

Findings Feature selection and feature weighting can be combined organically in the classifier proposed. The

high dimension can be reduced in this model when working with not only the feature selection indices,

but also future predictions.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) other feature selection and weighting methods and parameters should

be examined, (2) corresponding laws for feature selection should be explored, and (3) a statistically

in-depth analysis should be performed.

Li et al. (2015)

Details The method, known as Weighted Document Frequency (WDF), creates a feature ranking based on

information about how a feature is essential for a document.

Findings The method outperforms the document frequency (DF) approach, but there is no difference between

the proposed method and the Chi-Square (χ 2) method.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) more research with other datasets is needed, (2) other text mining

applications should be considered for evaluation, and (3) the influence of feature-weighting schema

should be studied more deeply.

Rehman et al. (2015)

Details A new feature ranking metric called Relative Discrimination Criterion (RDC) enhances the ranking of

the terms present in only one class, or those for which the term counts in a single class are relatively

higher than in the other.

Findings The method selects suitable features. The RDC measure, however, requires somewhat more compu-

tation than the other feature ranking metrics.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) more research with other datasets is needed, and (2) tuning of the

parameters should be considered.

Yan et al. (2008)

Details The proposed optimization framework integrates feature selection and feature extraction. A novel

feature selection algorithm called Trace Oriented Feature Analysis (TOFA) optimizes the feature

extraction objective function in the solution spaces of feature selection algorithms.

Findings Many commonly used algorithms are special cases of the proposed unified objective function. The

optimal solution, according to its objective function, can be achieved. TOFA is suitable for large-scale

text data. The solution can handle both unsupervised and semi-supervised cases.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) the relationship between data distribution and the framework's parameters

should be established, and (2) calibration of the optimal setting should be performed.

Tesar et al. (2006)

Details A new suffix-tree-based algorithm discovers itemsets which contains different and valuable words.

Findings Bigrams seem to be more suitable for text classification. A feature subset selection approach should

be determined on the basis of the principle of the classifier used. The extended bag-of-words (BoW)

failed to overcome the best results achieved by the simple BoW approach.

Challenges The work points out that, a more in-depth experiment and evaluation should be performed to establish

what types of activity influence text classification performance significantly.

E. Learning algorithms that utilize dimension reduction techniques - feature projection case

Table V lists twelve articles that address the problem of feature projection.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description
	Guo and Yao (2021)
Details	The authors propose the concept of containers and further explore the properties of word containers and document containers through experiments and theoretical demonstrations.
Findings	The document container has a fixed capacity, and the document vector obtained by a simple average of too many word embeddings cannot be fully loaded by the container. It will lose some semantic and syntactic information on vast text datasets.
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems. Jiang et al. (2020)
Details	The authors introduce the task of conceptual labelling, which aims to generate the minimum number of concepts as labels to represent and explicitly explain the semantics of a Weighted Bag of Words (WBoW).
Findings Challenges	Experiments and results prove that the proposed method can generate proper labels for WBoWs. The authors' future work focuses on properly incorporating conceptual labels into some NLP tasks. Unnam and Reddy (2020)
Details	The authors propose a framework to represent a document in a unique feature space. They do this by assigning each dimension a potential feature word with high discriminatory power. The model then computes the distances between the document and the feature words.
Findings	The proposed model outperforms baseline methods in document classification and uses interpretable word features to represent the document. It offers an alternative framework for representing larger text units with word embeddings and provides opportunities for developing new approaches to improve document representation and its applications.
Challenges	The study recommends (1) extending the proposed model to enhance its performance, (2) combining the selection criteria for a hybrid feature word selection approach, and (3) developing a word weighting scheme that uses frequency and radius to improve performance. Yang et al. (2020)
Details	The authors provide a new Graph Attention Topic Network (GATON) method to overcome the overfitting issue of Probabilistic Latent Semantic Indexing (pLSI).
Findings	The GATON model is designed to capture the topic structure of documents. This is achieved through the use of graph neural networks, which are equivalent to semi-amortized inference of stochastic block model (SBM) on network data. Similarly, pLSI is equivalent to SBM on a specific bi-partite graph.
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems. Białas et al. (2020)
Details	The authors propose a novel biologically plausible mechanism for generating low-dimensional spike-based text representation.
Findings	It is recommended that inhibition be disabled during the (Spiking Neural Network) SNN evaluation phase. Pruning out as many as 90% of connections with the lowest weights did not affect the representation quality while heavily reducing the SNN computational complexity, i.e. the number of differential equations describing the network.
Challenges	The work points out that we should explore the opportunity to expand the SNN encoder towards Deep SNN architecture by adding more layers of spiking neurons, allowing us to learn more detailed features of the input data.
Details	Chen and Feng (2020) The authors propose a novel Boltzmann bases feature extraction called Gaussian Fuzzy Restricted
Findings	Boltzmann Machine (GFRBM) for real-valued inputs. The authors found that the proposed solution outperforms discriminative RBM models regarding
Challenges	reconstruction and classification accuracy. They behave more stably when encountering noisy data. The work suggests that a more efficient learning algorithm and deep fuzzy models based on FRMB variants should be developed.
D. a. T.	Kesiraju et al. (2020)
Details	The authors present the Bayesian subspace multinomial model (Bayesian SMM). This generative log- linear model learns to represent documents in the form of Gaussian distributions, thereby encoding the uncertainty in its covariance.
Findings	The perplexity measure valuation shows that the proposed Bayesian SMM fits the unseen test data better than the state-of-the-art neural variational document models. Also, the proposed systems are robust to over-fitting unseen test data.

Challenges The work points out that other scoring mechanisms that exploit the uncertainty in embeddings should

be explored.

Li et al. (2020)

Details A proposed representation scheme known as Bag-of-Concepts (BoC) automatically acquires useful

conceptual knowledge from an external knowledge base. A second representation model, known as

Bag-of-Concept-Clusters (BoCCl), improves BoC representation further.

Findings Bag-of-words (BoW) is a solid baseline for document classification tasks. BoC and BoCCl can

effectively capture the concept-level information of documents. They also offer high interpretability.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) sentence-level-based representation should be considered, and (2)

conceptual knowledge should be incorporated into deep neural networks.

Gupta et al. (2019)

Details The authors propose an extension of Sparse Composite Document Vector (SCDV) called SCDV-MS

utilizes multi-sense word embeddings and learns a lower dimensional manifold.

Findings The SCDV-MS embeddings proposed in the study are more efficient than SCDV regarding time and

space complexity for textual classification tasks. Disambiguating multi-sense words using adjacent words in the context can result in improved document representations. The representation noise at the

word level can significantly affect downstream tasks.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Yang et al. (2018)

Details An innovative latent relation-enhanced word embedding model increases the semantic relatedness of

words in the corpus. The authors discover more useful relations between words, and add them to

word embeddings.

Findings Word embedding representation is a powerful tool, as it served various systems as a reliable input.

Challenges The work points out that, the contextual information, as the unique distributions to generate word

embeddings should be analyzed carefully.

Chen and Zaki (2017)

Details Competitive learning is introduced during an autoencoder training phase. Due to the competition be-

tween neurons, each becomes specialized, and the overall model can learn meaningful representations

of textual data.

Findings The proposed autoencoder, known as KATE, can learn better representation than traditional au-

toencoders, and outperforms deep generative models, probabilistic topic models, and even word

representation models.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) KATE should be evaluated on more domain-specific datasets, (2) the

scalability and effectiveness of the approach should be improved.

Hu et al. (2017)

Details The authors developed a new regularized Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBMs), which accounts

for class information.

Findings The features extracted by the proposed method have strong discriminant power. The improved

performance of the method comes at the cost of high computational demands. The effect of the inter-class repulsion regularization component obtained by the models is imperceptible — features of

different groups cannot be effectively separated.

Challenges The work points out that, a new inter-class repulsion regularization should be used to improve the

performance of the method.

Kesiraju et al. (2016)

Details A Subspace Multinomial Model (SMM), in which modification, i.e. regularization of terms creates a

compact and continuous representation for the documents.

Findings The classification accuracy of the SMM increases with the dimensionality of the latent variable, which

is not the case with Sparse Topical Coding (STC) or Probabilistic Topic Models (PTM).

Challenges The work points out that, (1) an in-depth exploration of different optimization techniques should be

performed, and (2)this should involve exploring discriminative SMMs, and fully Bayesian modelling

of SMMs.

Li et al. (2016)

Details A novel hybrid model known as Mixed Word Embedding (MWE) combines two variants of Word2Vec

seamlessly by sharing a common encoding structure. Moreover, the model incorporates a global text

vector in order to capture more semantic information.

Findings MWE achieves highly competitive performance. MWE preserves the same time complexity as the

Skip-Gram model.

Challenges	The work points out that, MWE should be improved by incorporating more external corpora, and giving consideration to proximity and ambiguity among words.
Details	Zheng et al. (2016)
Details	A Bidirectional Hierarchical Skip-Gram model (BHSG), models text topic embedding, and considers a whole sentence or document as a special word to capture the semantic relationship between the words and the global context word.
Findings	BHSG utilizes negative sampling; thus, it is highly suitable for large scale data.
Challenges	The work points out that, BHSG should be extended to implement more topic-related tasks, such as keyword extraction and text summarization.
	Rodrigues and Engel (2014)
Details	The proposed method is based on the Incremental Naive Bayes Clustering (INBC) algorithm, which
	was initially designed for continuous inputs, and so is considered an extension of it.
Findings	A single pass over the training data is required to achieve an impressive classification result. As more data is presented, the model can be improved.
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) feature selection should be performed, and (2) other properties, such as similarity criteria, should be verified.
	Cai and He (2012)
	See Table I
	Li et al. (2011)
Details	A Concise Semantic Analysis (CSA) technique extracts a few concepts (a new N-dimensional space, in which each concept represents a new dimension) based on class labels. It then implements a concise interpretation of words and documents in this new space.
Findings	The CSA helps with dimension-sensitive learning algorithms, such as k-nearest neighbors, to eliminate the <i>Curse of Dimensionality</i> (Bouveyron et al., 2019; Aggarwal, 2016). K-nearest neighbors in the new concept space performs comparably with SVMs. CSA performs equally well in the Chinese and
	English languages, and incurs a very low computational cost.
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) CSA should adopted to perform on large taxonomies of text categorization, and (2) the technique should be also parallelized.
	Salakhutdinov and Hinton (2009)
Details	The authors propose a method that creates a separate Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBM) for each document, with as many Softmax units as there are words in the document. The authors also present efficient learning and inference algorithms for the model.
Findings	The model's learning is easy and stable. It may be scaled up to classify billions of documents. This is
	in contrast to directed topic models, in which most of the existing inference algorithms are designed
	to be run in a batch mode. The proposed model can generalize much better than Latent Dirichlet
	Allocation (LDA).
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) label information should be added to the modelling, (2) the document-specific metadata observed should be incorporated into the model's learning, and (3) more layers
	should be added to create a Deep Belief Network (Hinton et al., 2006).
	Yan et al. (2008)
	See Table IV

F. Learning algorithms with new classification methods

Table VI lists 27 articles that propose new classification methods.

TABLE VI: Known and used classification methods.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description	
	Wang et al. (2023)	
Details	The authors propose a novel Text Classification by Fusing Contextual Information via Graph Neural	
	Networks (TextFCG) that fuses contextual information and handles documents with new words and relations.	
Findings	Text-FCG outperforms other methods for short- and medium-length text, while sparse graphs or topic models are more effective for long texts. Compared to other graph-based models, Text-FCG shows significant improvements, underscoring the importance of diverse contextual information in learning text representations.	

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Khandve et al. (2022)

Details The authors explore hierarchical transfer learning approaches for long document classification. In

a hierarchical setup, they employ pre-trained Universal Sentence Encoder (USE) and Bidirectional

Encoder Representations from Transformers (BERT) to capture better representations efficiently.

The USE with CNN/LSTM performs better than its stand-alone baseline. In contrast, the BERT with

CNN/LSTM performs on par with its stand-alone counterpart.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Findings

Guidotti and Ferrara (2022)

Details The authors regard the text as a superposition of words, derive a document's wave function and

compute the document's transition probability to a target class according to Born's rule.

Findings The proposed classifier is self-explainable and can be embedded in neural network architectures. Also,

the results suggest that physical principles can be successfully exploited in machine learning and may

open a new class of classification algorithms.

Challenges The paper suggests several potential improvements and extensions of the work: (1) the effectiveness

of the method in the view of machine learning remains an open question, (2) the construction of a wave function explicitly should be considered, and (3) the construction of deep networks that apply

the transformation should be developed.

Yang et al. (2022)

Details The paper introduces a new type of neural network called Simple Jumping Knowledge Networks

(SJK-Nets), a two-step process. First, a simple no-learning method completes the neighbourhood aggregation process. Then, a "jumping architecture" combines each node's different neighbourhood

ranges to represent the network structure better.

Findings The authors highlight that - SJK-Nets' neighbourhood aggregation is a no-learning process, so SJK-

Nets are successfully extended to node clustering tasks.

Challenges The paper suggests three possible future research directions: (1) exploring other layer aggregators, (2)

extending the method to more downstream tasks, and (3) applying it to other fields beyond graph-based

tasks such as natural language processing and computer vision.

Dai et al. (2022)

Details The authors propose a Graph Fusion Network (GFN) to enhance text classification performance. It

builds homogeneous text graphs with word nodes in the graph construction stage and transforms external knowledge into structural information. The graph reasoning stage involves graph learning, convolution, and fusion, where a multi-head fusion module integrates different opinions. GFN can

make inferences on new documents without rebuilding the whole text graph.

Findings Experimental results demonstrate the method's superiority. Notably, the diverse graph views are

mutually beneficial. The well-crafted multi-head fusion module effectively enhances the system's

performance.

Challenges The paper suggests (1) a thorough investigation into deep learning models' interpretability, (2)

exploring alternative methods to construct text graphs, and (3) conducting a comparative analysis

between BERT-style and GNN-based models.

Prabhakar et al. (2022)

Details The authors describe two new techniques for improving deep learning models. The first is called the

Evolutionary Contiguous Convolutional Neural Network (ECCNN), where the data instances of the input point are considered along with the contiguous data points in the dataset. The second technique is Swarm DNN, a swarm-based Deep Neural Network that utilizes Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO)

for text classification.

Findings The two proposed models achieved satisfying results.

Challenges Future works aim to work with many other nature-inspired and ensemble deep-learning models for

efficient text classification.

Zhu and Koniusz (2021)

Convolution Networks (GCNs) called Simple Spectral Graph Convolution (S2GC).

Findings The S2GC method utilizes low- and high-pass filters to capture the global and local contexts of

each node. This technique outperforms competitors by effectively aggregating over more prominent

neighbourhoods while avoiding over-smoothing.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Lin et al. (2021)

Details The authors propose BertGCN, a model combining large-scale pretraining and transductive learning

for text classification. The model propagates label influence through graph convolution to learn

representations for training and unlabeled test data.

Findings BertGCN achieves state-of-the-art performance on various text classification datasets, as demonstrated

in experiments. The framework can be built on any document encoder and graph model.

Challenges The authors suggest that using document statistics to construct the graph may not be as optimal as models that can automatically create edges between nodes. Therefore, addressing this issue could be

a possible feature direction.

Yan et al. (2021)

Details The article proposes a model that combines quantum probability and Graph Neural Networks (GNNs)

to capture the global structure of interactions between documents for document representation and

classification.

Findings The comprehensive analyses illustrate the proposed model's resilience to limited training data and its

capability to learn semantically distinct document representations.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Wang et al. (2021b)

Details The authors outperform Bi-filtering Graph Convolutional Network (BGCN) thanks to simply cascading

two sub-filtering modules. The new solution is called Simple Bi-filtering Graph Convolution (SBGC) framework and is inspired by the direct implementation of Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) graph

filters.

Findings Experiments show that SBGC outperforms other methods in performance and computational efficiency

and that BGCN and SBGC are robust to feature noise and exhibit high label efficiency.

Challenges The paper suggests two possible future research directions: (1) developing filters with the flexibility

of IIR filters for different scenarios and (2) reconsidering the design principles of graph convolution

networks based on graph signal processing.

Ragesh et al. (2021)

leverages the predictive text embedding (PTE) and TextGCN approaches.

Findings Reducing model parameters can improve training speed and performance in scenarios with limited

labelled data.

Challenges The paper proposes three future research directions: (1) investigating the advantages of the HeteGCN-

BERT augmented model, (2) expanding the model to address recommendation problems, and (3)

integrating knowledge graphs into the model.

Xie et al. (2021a)

Details The paper introduces the Graph Topic Neural Network (GTNN), a novel model capable of learning

latent topic semantics and generating an interpretable document representation by accounting for

relationships among documents, words, and the graph structure.

tasks. Furthermore, it addresses the well-known interpretability problem of the learned document

representations in previous GCN-based methods.

Challenges The work indicates that we should extend the model to large-scale datasets and online learning.

Moreover, we should also incorporate linguistic resources such as Wordnet into the graph.

Xie et al. (2021b)

Details The authors describe a proposed model called Topic Variational Graph Auto-Encoder (T-VGAE) that

combines a topic model with a variational graph-auto-encoder to capture hidden semantic information

between documents and words.

Findings The proposed method is more interpretable than similar methods and can deal with unseen documents.

The work points out that exploring better-suited prior distribution in the generative process would be interesting. Extending the model to other tasks, such as information recommendation and link

prediction, is also possible.

Zhou et al. (2021)

Details The authors suggest two modules to address the limitations of standard Convolutional Neural Networks

(CNNs): one utilizes discriminative filters (filters with a maximum divergence). At the same time, the

other enables the complete extraction of all essential features.

between different filters and a novel global pooling mechanism for feature extraction.

Challenges The authors' future work will focus on adequately incorporating conceptual labels into some NLP

tasks.

Challenges

Zhang and Yamana (2021)

Details The authors discuss an alternative approach to encoding labels into numerical values by incorporating

label knowledge directly into the model without changing its architecture.

Findings The experimental results demonstrate that the proposed method can understand the relationship

between sequences and labels.

Challenges Future work in this area includes two key directions: (1) developing an appropriate keyword set for

representing label knowledge without introducing noise and (2) identifying improved methods for

calculating relatedness beyond simply using the mean value.

Liu et al. (2020)

Details TensorGCN (tensor graph convolutional networks) is a new framework that uses a text graph tensor

to capture semantic, syntactic, and sequential contextual information. Intra-graph and inter-graph propagation learning are used to aggregate information from neighbouring nodes and harmonize

heterogeneous information between graphs.

Findings The proposed TensorGCN presents an effective way to harmonize and integrate heterogeneous

information from different graphs. The inter-graph propagation strategy is crucial for graph tensor

learning.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Wei et al. (2020)

Details The proposed model utilizes a recurrent structure to retain word order and capture contextual

information, and incorporates message passing from the graph neural networks (GNNs) to update word hidden representations. Additionally, a max-pooling layer is used to capture critical components

in text for classification, similar to GNN's readout operation.

GNN-based models. The model is suitable for constructing the semantic representation of the entire text. The performance of Text GCN highly depends on the quality of text graph, which limits its

scope of application.

Challenges The paper suggests that (1) long-distance contextual information may be lost, (2) additional layers

could improve the model's performance, and (3) employing a recurrent structure would enhance the

capture of long document contextual information.

Chiu et al. (2020)

Details The authors' model uses an attention mechanism to dynamically decide how much information to use

from a sequence - or graph-level component.

Findings The proposed graph-level extensions enhance performance on most benchmarks. Furthermore, the

adapted attention-based architecture outperforms the generic and fixed-value concatenation alternatives. These extensions for text classification enable the system to learn diverse inter-sentential patterns.

Challenges The authors fail to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Wang et al. (2020)

Details The authors propose a new trainable hierarchical topic graph (HTG) incorporating a probabilistic deep

topic model into graph construction. The HTG consists of word-level, hierarchical topic-level, and document-level nodes, which exhibit a range of semantic variations from fine-grained to coarse.

Findings The proposed model, called dynamic HTG (DHTG), uses Graph Convolutional Networks (GCN)

for variational inference to evolve the HTG for end-to-end document classification dynamically. The model can also learn an interpretable document graph with meaningful node embeddings and semantic

edges.

Challenges The authors fail to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Ding et al. (2020)

of GNN models called HyperGAT for generating distinctive text representations.

Findings The proposed model is (1) unable to capture high-order interaction between words and (2) inefficiently

handling large datasets and new documents.

Challenges The authors fail to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Zhou et al. (2020)

Details The authors propose a Discriminative Convolutional Neural Network with Context-aware Attention

to solve the challenges of vanilla Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN). The proposed solution encourages discrimination across different filters via maximizing their earth mover distances and

estimates the salience of feature candidates by considering the relation between context features.

Findings The proposed model can capture representative semantics and effectively compute feature salience

for a specific task.

Challenges The paper suggests two key points, (1) adopting an adaptive method to extract valuable features of

flexible sizes using a context-aware mechanism, and (2) applying the model to related tasks like

relation classification and event extraction.

Guo and Yao (2020)

Details The work aims to create a valuable and effective word and document matrix representation architecture

based on a linear operation to learn representations for document-level classification.

Findings A convolutional-based classifier is more suitable for the document matrix. The convolution operation

can better capture the proposed document matrix's two-dimensional features by analysing theoretical

and experimental perspectives.

Challenges The authors fail to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Chen and Srihari (2020)

Details The authors are interested in deep learning for classification with prior, where the labels are expressed

in a hierarchy. In particular, they attempt to leverage knowledge transfer and parameter sharing among

classes.

Findings The proposed model shows promising results compared to support vector machines and other deep

learning methods. Also, the model inherits the advantages of deep learning and can handle overfitting

and reduce the redundancy between node parameters.

Challenges The work points out that transfer learning should be considered. Another topic deserving of exploring

is how to learn the structural prior.

Aler et al. (2020)

Details The main aim of this article is to carry out an extensive investigation on essential aspects of using

Hellinger Distance (HD) in Random Forests (RF), including handling multi-class problems, hyper-

parameter optimization, metrics comparison, probability estimation, and metrics combination.

Findings The results demonstrate HD's robustness in RF, but it has some limitations for balanced multi-class

datasets. Combining metrics can enhance performance. Nevertheless, Gini appears to be more suitable

than HD when applied to text datasets.

Challenges HD is inferior to Gini for text classification, making it crucial to investigate the underlying reasons.

Additionally, considering other distribution distances like Kullback-Leibler divergence as substitutes

to HD is worth exploring.

Yao et al. (2019)

Details The authors build a single text graph for a corpus based on word co-occurrence and document word

relations, then learn a Text Graph Convolutional Network (Text GCN) for the corpus.

Findings The proposed Text GCN method excels in text classification, surpassing state-of-the-art approaches

and acquiring predictive word and document embeddings. It also demonstrates robustness to less

training data, further highlighting its effectiveness.

Challenges The work points out that we should improve the classification performance using attention mechanisms

and develop an unsupervised text GCN framework for representation learning on largescale unlabeled

text data.

Tiwari and Melucci (2019)

Details A novel classification method known as a Quantum-Inspired Binary Classifier (QIBC) resolves a

binary classification problem. It is inspired by quantum detection theory.

Findings QIBC can outperform the baselines in several categories. Some results, however, remain unsatisfactory

in some categories.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) an in-depth error classification analysis should be performed, and (2)

multi-label classification problems should be addressed.

Berge et al. (2019)

Details A Tsetlin Machine learns propositional formulae, such as IF "rash" AND "reaction" AND "penicillin"

THEN Allergy, to represent the particular facets of each category.

Findings The proposed method captures categories using simple propositional formulae that are readable to

humans. The explanatory power of Tsetlin Machine-produced clauses seems to equal that of decision

trees.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) a utilization of word embeddings should be considered, (2) a combination

of different data views should be applied, and (3) datasets with more complicated structures should

be considered.

Unnikrishnan et al. (2019)

Details This article proposes a new approach to sparse classification, and presents a comparative study of

different sparse classification strategies for text classification.

Findings The minimum reconstruction error criterion is suitable for the problem of text classification. The

computational bottle-neck can be resolved using the proposed dictionary refinement procedure.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Pappagari et al. (2018)

Details A new multi-scale Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) architecture that uses raw text as input. It

contains parallel convolutional layers, and jointly optimises a new objective function, which, in turn,

optimizes two tasks simultaneously.

Findings The objective function, which integrates the verification and identification tasks, improves the results

of the identification tasks. This approach does not use text pre-processing to achieve better document

classification performance.

Challenges The work points out that, the sequence dynamics modeling with Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM)

should be incorporated into the proposed model.

Al-Salemi et al. (2018)

See Table IV

Feng et al. (2017)

Details The authors consider the overfitting problem and propose a quantitative measurement, rate of

overfitting, denoted as RO. They also propose an algorithm known as AdaBELM.

Findings Extreme Learning Machines (ELMs) suffer from a significant overfitting problem. The proposed

model, AdaBELM, resolves this drawback and has high generalizability, which is demonstrated by

its high performance.

Challenges The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Sharma et al. (2017)

Details The article proposes a new hierarchical sparse-based classifier, exploring the concept of sparse coding

for text classification, and seeding the dictionary used the principal components.

Findings The proposed hierarchical classifier works better than flat sparse-based classifiers. Principal Compo-

nent Analysis (PCA) may be used to create an overcomplete dictionary.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) more research with other datasets should be conducted, and (2) the

semantic information should be considered.

Benites and Sapozhnikova (2017)

Details The work explores a scalable extension—a Hierarchical Adaptive Resonance Associative Map

(HARAM)—to a fuzzy Adaptive Resonance Associative Map (ARAM) neural network for quick

classification of high-dimensional and large data.

Findings HARAM is faster than ARAM. A voting classification procedure increases its accuracy. Adaptive

Resonance Theory (ART) neural networks are highly parallelized.

Challenges The authors noted that the details of implementation could be an issue.

Johnson and Zhang (2016)

Details The work aims to create a valuable classification method of documents under the one-hot CNN

 $(convolutional\ neural\ network)\ framework.\ The\ authors\ explore\ a\ more\ sophisticated\ region\ embedding$

method using Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM).

Findings The study shows that embeddings of text regions, which can convey complex concepts, are more

valuable than embeddings of single words in isolation.

Challenges A promising future direction might be to seek, under this framework, new region-embedding methods

with complementary benefits.

Sharma et al. (2016)

principal components. The article also explores the use of Support Vector Machines (SVMs) with

frequency-based kernels.

Findings PCA may be utilized to create an overcomplete dictionary. SVMs with Hellinger's kernel, and without

PCA, produces the best results. A voting classification procedure improves the outcomes.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) the semantic information should be taken into account, and (2) better

strategies for combining the classifiers must be explored.

Jin et al. (2016)

Details The authors built text classifier by using a Naive Bayes model, utilizing a new structure called bag-

of-embeddings probabilities.

Findings The model is conceptually simple; the only parameters being embedding vectors, trained using a

variation of the Skip-gram method. The proposed model outperforms state-of-the-art methods for

both balanced and imbalanced data.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) leveraging unlabeled data for semi-supervised learning should be

considered, and (2) other neural document models should be exploited to achieve higher accuracy.

Al-Salemi et al. (2016)

See Table IV

Pang et al. (2015)

Details A new classification method called CenKNN combines the strengths of two widely-used text

classification techniques, k-nearest neighbors and Centroid.

Findings CenKNN overcomes the drawbacks of k-nearest neighbors classifiers. CenKNN works better than

Centroid. The proposed method is appropriate for highly imbalanced corpora with a low number of

classes. SVM is a better choice for large balanced corpora.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) CenKNN should be improved to handle sub-clusters and/or a larger

number of classes, and (2) multi-label classification problems should be addressed.

Kusner et al. (2015)

Details A distance function, Word Mover's Distance (WMD) measures the dissimilarity between two text

documents. This is an instance of the Earth Mover's Distance (EMD).

Findings The metric method leads to low error rates across all investigated data sets. WMD is also the among

the slowest metrics to compute (a solution for speeding up the computations is presented in the

article).

Challenges

Challenges The work points out that, (1) the interpretability of the method should be explored, and (2) the

document structure should be considered using a distance function.

Feng et al. (2015)

See Table IV

Gomez and Moens (2014)

Details Classification inference is based on the reconstruction errors of each classification model for each

class, i.e. measuring the difference between the set of reconstructed documents and the original one.

Findings The proposed method creates a model that generalizes the classification problem well. Its performance

depends on the number of principal components. The method performs better than the rest of the

classifiers when a dataset has select properties.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) other text classification tasks should be explored, and (2) the output

prediction of the model should be combined with other classifiers to refine the final prediction.

Lo and Ding (2012)

Details The article explores the background net (Chen et al., 2011; Lo et al., 2011), and a set of different

reasoning methods created on top of the net to resolve a document classification task.

Findings The method produces impressive performance without demanding significant effort in preprocessing.

The authors state that it is required to study how to obtain fuzzy association between terms based on

granules of articles to achieve a more flexible and robust approach.

Sainath et al. (2010)

Details The article compares three frameworks used to produce sparse coding solutions with different

vocabulary sizes to generate a classification decision.

Findings All training documents not only increase the size of the dictionary significantly, but also enforce a

stronger need for sparseness on the coefficients. Sparse coding methods offer slight, but promising

results over a Naive Bayes classifier.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) feature selection techniques should be incorporated, and (2) comparison

with other learning methods should be performed.

Li and Vogel (2010)

Details The authors improve multi-class text classification using Error-Correcting Output Coding (ECOC)

with sub-class partitions.

Findings In ECOC, sub-class partition information of positive and negative classes is available, but ignored,

even though it has a value for binary classification. No single algorithm can win on every dataset and

situation.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) more experiments on more datasets should be performed, (2) non-text

applications should be considered, and (3) local search algorithms should be explored to improve the

proposed strategy.

Jin et al. (2010)

represented as a set of points (prototypes) in a feature space.

other prototype learning algorithms.

Challenges The work points out that, the method can also be applied as a learning criterion to other classifier

structures based on gradient descent, such as neural networks and quadratic discriminant functions.

Xia et al. (2009)

Details The article explores the linear classification approach – a matrix of scores (the contribution table)

is computed during the training process and a document is classified into the group with the largest

score combination.

term makes to a document in which it occurs.

Challenges The work points out that, different feature weights should be considered.

Larochelle and Bengio (2008)

Details The authors incorporate labels into the training process of Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBMS),

and propose two models: (1) Discriminative Restricted Boltzmann Machines (DRBMs), and (2) Hybrid

Discriminative Restricted Boltzmann Machines (HDRBMs).

Findings RBMs can and should be used as standalone non-linear classifiers. RBMs are effective at capturing the

conditional statistical relationship between multiple tasks, or between the components in a complex

target space.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) more challenging settings, such as multi-task or structured output

problems should be considered, (2) mean-field approximations should be applied, and (3) for large,

but sparse input vectors, less computationally expensive learning should be introduced.

Genkin et al. (2007)

Details A Laplace prior regularization term is used within a Bayesian logistic regression approach. An

optimization method is also proposed.

Findings The classification results depend on feature selection and configuration of the classification method.

The authors found a strong correlation between the number of positive training examples and the

number of features chosen.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) other LASSO-based feature selection algorithms should be explored,

and (2) scaling algorithms that estimate regularization paths to huge applications remain challenging.

Qian et al. (2007)

Details The article employs the Associative Text Categorization (ATC) concept to produce a semantic-aware

classifier, which includes understandable rules for text categorization.

Findings The article confirms an observation from earlier research of Joachims (1997). A vertical rule-pruning

method can greatly help reduce computational cost.

Challenges The authors fail to highlight any challenges or open problems.

Gliozzo et al. (2005)

Details The proposed algorithm utilizes a generalized similarity measure based on latent semantic spaces and

a Gaussian Mixture algorithm to scale similarity scores into probabilities.

Findings Competitive performance can be achieved only by using the category names as initial seeds.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) the optimal procedures for collecting seed features should be investigated,

(2) the contribution of additional seed performance should be explored, and (3) optimal combinations

of intensional and extensional supervision should be investigated.

Zhang et al. (2005)

Details The authors studied kernels on the multinomial manifold that enables Support Vector Machines

(SVMs) to effectively exploit the intrinsic geometric structure of text data.

Findings Negative Geodesic Distance (NGD) on the multinomial manifold is a conditionally positive definite

(CPD) kernel, and leads to improvements in accuracy over kernels assuming Euclidean geometry.

Linear kernel and TF-IDF with l_2 regularization achieve second result.

Challenges The work points out that, (1) the NGD kernel should be extended to other manifolds (particularly for

multimedia tasks), and (2) other kernel methods should be considered.

Baoli et al. (2004)

Details The authors propose an improved and adaptive k-nearest neighbors strategy to resolve its problems.

The proposed methods are less sensitive to the parameter k, and can adequately classify documents belonging to smaller classes with larger values of k. The proposed strategy is adequate for cases in which estimating the parameter k via cross-validation is impossible, and the class distribution of the

training set is skewed.

Findings

Challenges The work points out that, (1) multi-label classification problems should be addressed, (2) the question of how to evaluate a dataset for text categorization should be addressed, and (3) a guideline on how

to build a useful training collection for text categorization should be developed.

Rennie (2003)			
ation	method	performs	(

Details	The work explores how the given validation method performs on a selection of regularization
	parameters of a classification method called Regularized Least Squares Classification (RLSC).
Findings	For RLSC, leave-one-out cross validation (LOOCV) consistently selects a regularization parameter
	that is too large.
Challenges	The work points out that, other text datasets should be considered.

G. Evaluation of learning algorithms and benchmarking methods

Table VII lists four papers that collectively describe the evaluation problems of learning algorithms, and touch the issue of benchmarking methods.

TABLE VII: Evaluation and benchmarking articles.

Aspect of work	Reference/Description	
	Wagh et al. (2021)	
Details	The authors' benchmark approaches range from simple Naive Bayes to complex BERT on six standard	
	text classification datasets. They present an exhaustive comparison of different algorithms on various	
	long document datasets.	
Findings	Classifying long documents is a relatively simple task. Even basic algorithms can perform well compared to BERT-based approaches on most datasets. BERT-based models consistently perform well on all datasets, but their computational cost may be a concern. For shallower models, the authors recommend using a raw BiLSTM + Max architecture, which performs well across all datasets. A	
	Glove + Attention bag of words model may suffice for more uncomplicated use cases. However,	
	more sophisticated models are necessary for more challenging tasks such as the IMDB sentiment dataset.	
Challenges	The work indicates that future work should focus on adequately incorporating conceptual labels into some NLP tasks.	
	Suneera and Prakash (2020)	
Details	The authors evaluated the performance of various machine learning (ML) and deep learning algorithms	
	for text classification. They chose six machine learning algorithms and three vectorization techniques,	
	and five deep learning algorithms for the evaluation.	
Findings	Results indicate that Logistic Regression outperforms other ML algorithms. A Bichannel Convolution	
	Neural Network model gains exciting results compared to other deep learning models.	
Challenges	The work points out that, Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) and Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)	
	architectures may be notably improved by tuning their parameters and improving their basic	
	architecture for various real-life applications.	
	Bramesh and Anil Kumar (2019)	
Details	The performance of state-of-the-art classification methods that utilize vector space, in which terms weighted using weighting methods is compared.	
Findings	The decision tree (C5.0) classifier performed well on all datasets examined.	
Challenges	The work points out that, it should be extended to include other feature selection methods, and to utilize the k-fold validation procedure.	
	Arras et al. (2017)	
Details	The authors demonstrate, based on two classification methods, that understanding of how and why a given classification method classifies can be achieved by tracing the classification decision back to individual words using layer-wise relevance propagation (LRP).	
Findings	The proposed measure of a model's explanatory power depends only on the relevance of words. A CNN model produces better explanations than a BoW/SVM classifier, and incurs lower computational costs. The LRP decomposition method provides better explanations than gradient-based sensitivity analysis. A CNN can take advantage of the word similarity information encoded in the distributed word embeddings.	
Challenges	The work points out that, the suitability of the model should be checked on other neural-based	
-	applications, or other types of classification problems, such as sentiment analysis. Mazyad et al. (2017)	
Details	The performance of state-of-the-art classification methods that utilize vector space, in which terms	
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are weighted using feature weighting methods is compared.

Findings	The superiority of supervised term weighting methods over unsupervised methods remains unclear.
Challenges	The authors failed to highlight any challenges or open problems.
	Sun et al. (2009)
Details	The performance of state-of-the-art strategies to address imbalanced text classification using SVMs
	is compared, and a survey of techniques proposed for imbalanced classification is presented.
Findings	SVMs learn the best decision surface in most test cases. For classification tasks involving high
	imbalance ratios, it is critical to find an appropriate threshold of SVMs.
Challenges	The work points out that, (1) better thresholding strategies should be developed, and (2) the learning
	objective function of the SVMs to consider the data imbalance in learning the decision surface should
	be improved.

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