

Using CNN for Sentiment Attitudes Extraction from Analytical Texts

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Sentiment Analysis: genres of documents

A lot of studies are devoted to sentiment analysis of users' reviews or short posts in social networks (Twitter)


- ▶ Posts are limited and short in length;
- ▶ Mostly user reviews \Rightarrow considered a single object for analysis.

News or analytical reports

- ▶ Large amount of named entities (*NE*):
Ukraine, Russia, Russian Federation, ...
- ▶ Large amount of attitudes between *NE*;
- ▶ Has complicated structure.

Example

As is apparent in Washington, there is no place for objectivity on the subject of Russia, irrespective of facts and events¹



- ▶ Washington is **negative** to Russia
- ▶ Author is **negative** to Washington
- ▶ Author attitude to Russia?

¹<https://www.counterpunch.org/2017/05/26/ukraine-and-the-nato-military-alliance/>

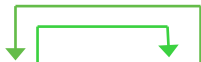
Outline

- ▶ Corpus of analytical articles **RuSentRel** annotated with sentiment attitudes;
- ▶ Experiments on extracting sentiments with machine-learning methods
 - ▶ Baselines
 - ▶ Features
 - ▶ Human performance in the same task
- ▶ Analysis of errors and future research

New sentiment-annotated collection RuSentRel

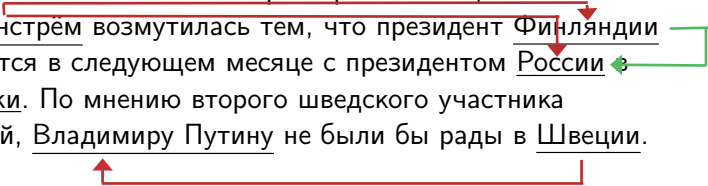
- ▶ **RuSentRel 1.0**²[LR18] consisted of analytical articles from Internet-portal `inosmi.ru`;
- ▶ Text attitudes – manual annotation, as triplets:
 $\langle Object, Subject, Label \rangle$
 - ▶ Object – named entity (NE) or “author”
 - ▶ Subject – *NE*
 - ▶ Label $\in \{\text{pos}, \text{neg}\}$
- ▶ Named entities – automatic, recognizer based on CRF [ML16];
- ▶ List of synonymous *NE* – manually implemented.

²<https://github.com/nicolay-r/RuSentRel/tree/v1.0>



Отношения Финляндии и Швеции можно считать хорошими. Ведь входили же страны в состав одного королевства до 1809 года. Страны объединяет также и то, что они не входят в НАТО, но являются партнерами альянса. Кроме того, Финляндия и Швеция укрепляют двустороннее сотрудничество в области обороны.

Несмотря на все это, в ходе обсуждений в Култаранте возникли разногласия. Бывший министр обороны Швеции Карин Энстрём возмутилась тем, что президент Финляндии встречается в следующем месяце с президентом России Хельсинки. По мнению второго шведского участника дискуссий, Владимиру Путину не были бы рады в Швеции.



Whole Text Labeling

Обама, Асад, neg (Obama, Asad, neg)

США, ИГИЛ, neg (USA, ISIL, neg)

Иран, Асад, pos (Iran, Asad, pos)

США, Ирак, neg (USA, IRAK, neg)

США, Афганистан, neg (USA, Afganistan, neg)

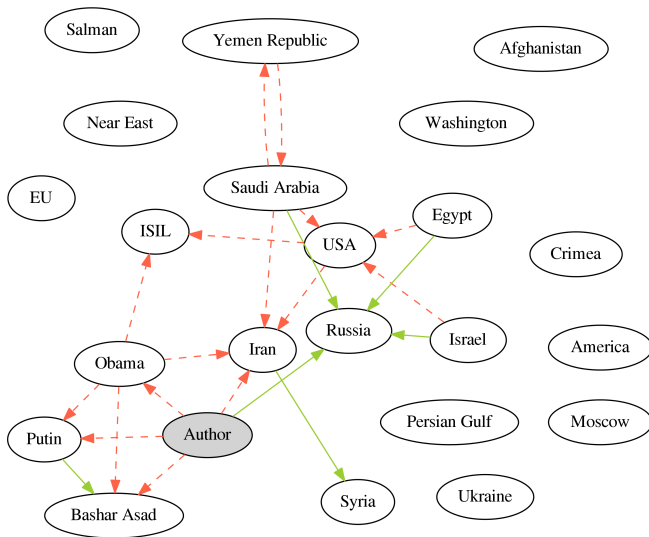
Япония, США, pos (Japan, USA, pos)

Южная Корея, США, pos (South Korea, USA, pos)

Австралия, США, pos (Australia, USA, pos)

author, Обама, pos (Author, Obama, pos)

Picture of whole text



Task

- ▶ Classification of attitudes between named entities into three classes: positive, negative, neutral
- ▶ Measure: averaged sum of F-measure of positive class and negative class
- ▶ The first attempt
 - ▶ Summer School “Natural Language Processing and Data mining” (2017)
 - ▶ Higher School of Economy

Context attitudes equality

Two context attitudes $a_1 = \langle NE_1, NE_2 \rangle$ and $a_2 = \langle NE_3, NE_4 \rangle$ are *equal up to synonyms* $a_1 \simeq a_2$ when both ends related to the same synonym group $S(\cdot)$:

$$S(NE_1) = S(NE_3) \text{ and } S(NE_2) = S(NE_4) \quad (1)$$

Context attitude set

- Consider context attitudes extraction within a single sentence

Avg. per doc.	Training collection	Test collection
unique positive	6.23	14.7
unique negative	9.33	15.6
unique neutral	120	276

Table 2 : RuSentRel text attitudes

Total	Training set	Test set
positive	571	—
negative	735	—
neutral	6584	8024

Table 3 : Context attitudes amount

Attitudes classification

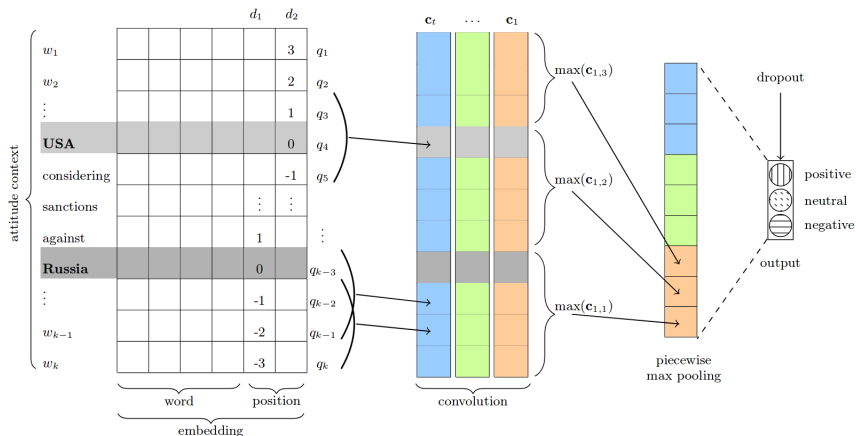


Figure 1 : PCNN⁴ [ZLCZ15]

⁴<https://github.com/nicolay-r/sentiment-pcnn>

Attitudes embedding

						d_1	d_2
attitude context	w_1						3
	w_2						2
	\vdots						1
	USA						0
	considering						-1
	sanctions					\vdots	\vdots
	against					1	
	Russia					0	
	\vdots					-1	
	w_{k-1}					-2	
	w_k					-3	
		word				position	

Figure 2 : Attitudes embedding

Convolution

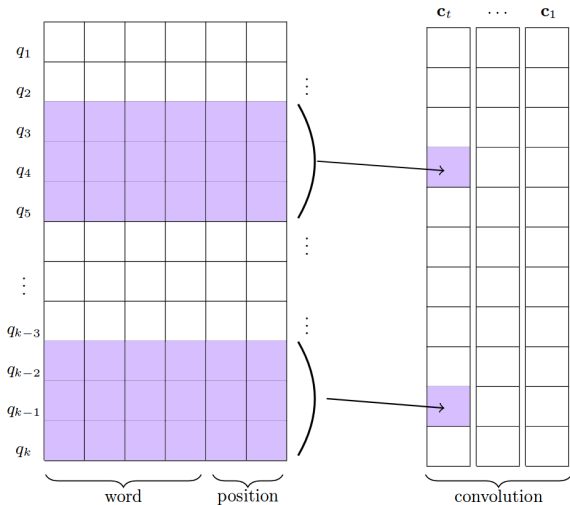


Figure 3 : Convolution

$$w = 3$$

$$m = 4 + 2 = 6$$

$$\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{w \cdot m}$$

$$W = \{\mathbf{w}_1 \dots \mathbf{w}_t\}$$

$$c_j = \mathbf{w}q_{j-w+1:j}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \{c_1, \dots, c_k\}$$

$$C = \{\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_t\}$$

Original vs. Piecewise max pooling

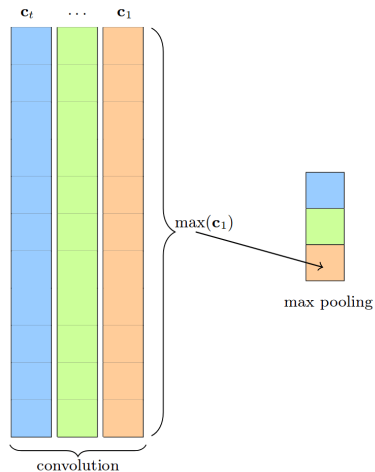


Figure 4 : Original

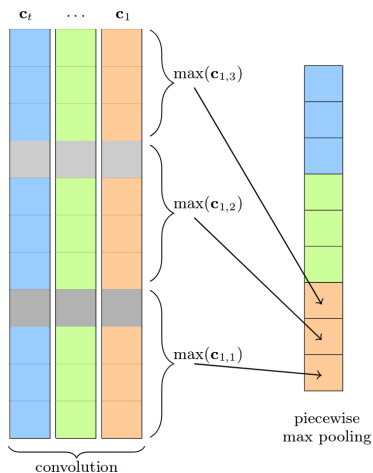


Figure 5 : Piecewise

Output

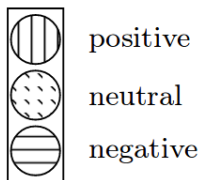


Figure 6 : Output

1. *tanh* maxpool **p** activation:

$$d = \tanh(\mathbf{p}),$$

2. **Output**^a:

$$o = W_1 d + b$$

W_1 – hidden layer

b – bias

^adropout during training

Training

- ▶ **Input** is a sequence of pairs:

$$\{\langle embedding, label \rangle\}$$

- ▶ What to train:

$$\{W, W_1, b\}$$

- ▶ How to train:

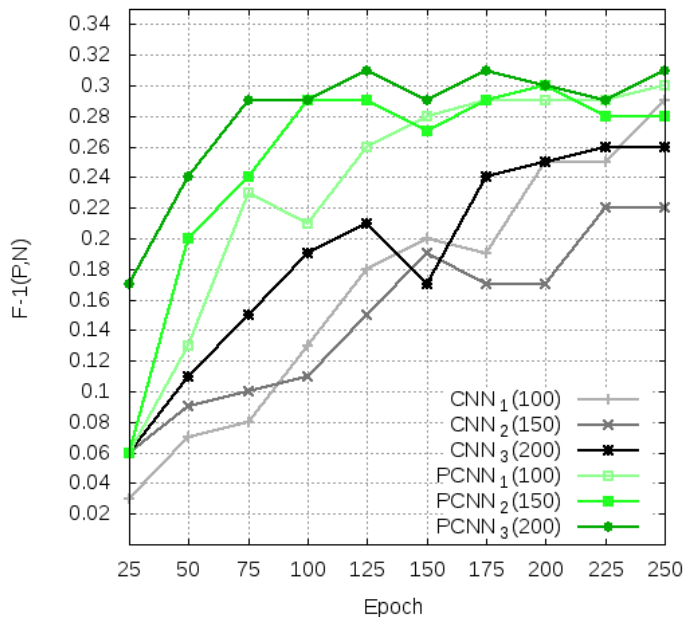
- ▶ Passing batches, *size* = 50
- ▶ Error function: *cross-entropy loss*
- ▶ Optimizer: *Adadelta*, $\rho = 0.95$, $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$
- ▶ Use dropout, $\rho = 0.5$

Experiments

Table 4 : Results for sentiment attitudes extraction from RuSentRel corpus

<i>method</i>	<i>precision</i>	<i>recall</i>	$F_1(P, N)$
Baseline neg	0.03	0.39	0.05
Baseline pos	0.02	0.40	0.04
Baseline distr	0.05	0.23	0.08
KNN	0.18	0.06	0.09
SVM (GRID)	0.09	0.36	0.15
Random forest (GRID)	0.41	0.21	0.27
CNN	0.41	0.23	0.31
PCNN	0.42	0.23	0.31
Expert agreement	0.62	0.49	0.55




CNN vs. PCNN



Conclusion

- ▶ Proposed CNN-based models significantly outperforms baselines and performs better than NLP-based approaches (Table 4, experiments);
- ▶ Best result $F_1(P, N) = 0.31$ is quite low \Rightarrow task still remains significantly complicated;
- ▶ Piecewise max pooling prevents from rapid feature reducing \Rightarrow model trains faster (see Figure 16).
- ▶ Increasing amount of convolution filters (trainable features) allows model to train faster;

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