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Group-O Mid-Way Report**

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Productive Reviews Affirmation App

# Introduction

Amazon is the world’s largest e-commerce marketplace. An integral part of a product listed on Amazon is the ‘Review’. Reviews, primarily given by people who have purchased a given product, forms a crucial part in the decision making process for a second person intending on purchasing the said product. A review strongly influences one to either purchase the product or decide against it. The Productive Reviews Affirmation App(PRAA) focuses on enriching the Review writing process.

# Use Case Definition

The proposed solution is a Machine Learning(ML) powered App that can either be integrated with an existing website or deployed independently. The App primarily consists of a ‘textbox’ where a review for a given product can be entered; on clicking a submit button – the system processes the review and indicates if the review would prove to be ‘helpful’ or not. The system can be compared to a password-strength indicator where the person is presented with information as to whether the password is strong or not – should the person be interested he/she can update the password to a stronger one. Similarly, the PRAA system presents the review composer with information on the usefulness of the review – should he/she decide to action upon a poor review is optional.

# Use Case Realisation

This section details the data being used and the architecture outline of the proposed solution.

## Data Definition

The dataset chosen for the solution consists of reviews for fine-foods from Amazon and other Amazon categories. The data, sourced from Kaggle, spans a period of more than 10 years. The data consists of over 560,000 reviews up to October 2012. Link to the dataset on Kaggle – [Click here](https://www.kaggle.com/snap/amazon-fine-food-reviews). Records include –

* *Id* - Record Id
* *ProductIdUnique* - identifier for the product
* *UserIdUnqiue* - identifier for the user
* *ProfileNameProfile* - name of the user
* *HelpfulnessNumeratorNumber* - users who found the review helpful
* *HelpfulnessDenominatorNumber* - users who indicated if the review was helpful
* *ScoreRating* - between 1 and 5
* *TimeTimestamp* - time of the review
* *SummaryBrief* - summary of the review
* *TextText* - the review body

## Solution Outline

The proposed solution has two phases of operation –

* Training Phase
* Live Phase

Training Phase - The data sourced from Kaggle will be persisted in a chosen data store, Hive or an Object Oriented Storage such as S3 are the platforms being considered. The persisted data will then be processed in a Spark runtime; the data will be wrangled, modelled and fitted into a chosen ML Algorithm. The goal of the trained ML model would be to analyse new text(reviews) and ascertain if the review is useful or not based on the training data.   
  
Live Phase - The Applet front-end, built with either Django or Flask, takes in the user input and passes it onto the ‘Processing’ phase. The data will be processed and the review-usefulness analysis will be presented to the end user.

Solution Outline

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1) The raw data is retrieved and loaded  
  
 2) The retrieved data is persisted  
  
 3) Spark runtime consumes the data and   
 generates the ML model / performs  
 analysis

4) The front-end to the solution that takes  
 the input text and presents the output  
  
 5) The User entering the review text, and is  
 presented with the review analysis

# Excepted Contributions

Team members will contribute in all the areas of the solution and will monitor each stages of the pipeline. The table presents the member who would shoulders a given platforms functionality.

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| **Pipeline** | **Primary Responsibility** |
| Raw Data Ingest – Hive/Object Storage | Aditya, Kashyap |
| Processing Engine- Spark (PySpark) | Kashyap, Alekhya |
| User Interface | Alekhya, Paritosh |
| Integration Services | Aditya, Paritosh |