Yelp Text Analysis

"Prediction of Restaurant Review Rating Using Review Text"

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Objective

- Intense Competition Continuous Improvement for Survival
- "Business Reputation" is one of the major aspect that owners should always take care of and improve it.
- Reputation can be reflected in the customer reviews on online platforms such as Yelp.

"Prediction of restaurant ratings and recognizing its building blocks through review texts can help business owners know their advantageous and disadvantageous better."





Audience

- Current restaurant owners
- Prospective restaurant owners
- Owners of other businesses

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Dataset: Source & Attributes

Source

- The dataset is provided by Yelp for its round 10th challenge (downloaded on January 9th, 2018).
- Two sub datasets of whole dataset have been used in this project: business, review.

Attributes

business	review
Business_id	Business_id
City	Stars
State	Date
Postal_code	Text
Stars	Funny
Review_count	Cool
Categories	Useful





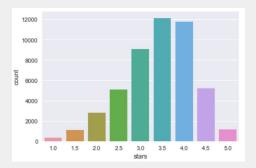
Dataset: Wrangling

Some Data Wrangling steps that have been done on the original dataset are:

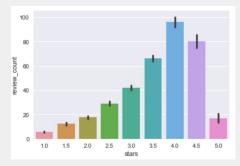
- Filtering "Restaurants" from original dataset
- Filtering "Non_English" reviews
- Adding "Country" column
- Filtering 7 most popular types of Food (Adding "food_type" column)
- Adding "word_count" and "word_list" column
- Punctuation removal
- Stop words removal
- Lemmatization







"Rating" (3.5 - 4 peak)



"Review counts" (4 - 4.5 peak)

	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
country								
CAN	16819.0	3.426333	0.769820	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
UK	1549.0	3.765655	0.686447	1.0	3.5	4.0	4.0	5.0
USA	30196.0	3.395069	0.803634	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0

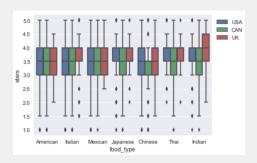
• People in **UK give better ratings** to restaurants, although American and Canadian people, respectively write **more reviews** for restaurants on Yelp.

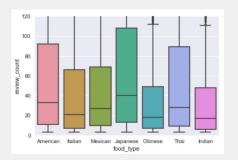




	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
food_type								
American	8401.0	3.402928	0.713942	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Chinese	3318.0	3.286468	0.689724	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Indian	1209.0	3.579404	0.690748	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Italian	3788.0	3.478221	0.773531	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Japanese	1972.0	3.582657	0.662095	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Mexican	3604.0	3.380827	0.768168	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0
Thai	989.0	3.582406	0.707131	1.0	3.0	3.5	4.0	5.0

• Type of food can absolutely impact the restaurants' ratings (Japanese, Indian and Thai foods usually get higher ratings) and impact the users' tendency to write more reviews (Japanese food restaurants receives the highest number of reviews).



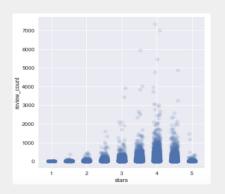






• Very **weak linear correlation** (r = 0.13) between "restaurants rating" and "number of reviews".





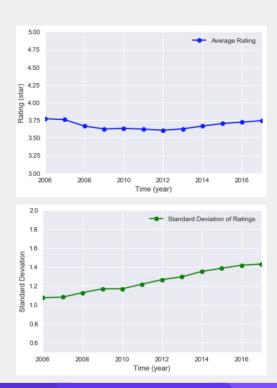
- Lower rating, higher perceived "funny" and "useful".
- Lower rating, **longer length** (more words in review's text).





 Through times (2006 - 2017) restaurants' ratings tend to be distributed around the same average (around 3.65) every year, however by passing time the rating distribution get more divers (standard deviation rose almost 32 percent).

"Users get more attentive"







"20 Common Words in each restaurant rating group"

1 star	2 star	3 star	4 star	5 star
Word Freq Percentage food 1564 1.431251 order 1470 1.345230 get 1368 1.251887 go 1271 1.163121 place 1077 0.985587 come 1026 0.938916 time 888 0.812629 service 841 0.765957 like 786 0.719286 us 769 0.703729 ask 755 0.689087 one 716 0.655228 back 709 0.648822 would 700 0.640586 wait 648 0.592999 even 641 0.586593 never 607 0.555479 tell 578 0.528941	Word Freq Percentage food 1446 1.439536 order 1151 1.145855 get 1000 0.995530 good 984 0.979602 go 963 0.958695 place 945 0.940776 like 884 0.880049 come 785 0.781491 time 738 0.734701 service 700 0.696871 one 597 0.594331 say 573 0.570439 would 559 0.556501 really 336 0.533604 us 525 0.522653 back 517 0.514689 try 458 0.455953 make 457 0.447989	Word Freq Percentage food 1987 1.351526 good 1953 1.328400 get 1467 0.997830 place 1447 0.984227 order 1395 0.948857 like 1253 0.852271 go 1238 0.852271 go 1238 0.852271 go 1238 0.842068 come 1086 0.738680 service 989 0.672702 time 939 0.638693 would 886 0.602643 really 806 0.548228 great 751 0.510818 one 746 0.507417 try 708 0.481570 make 706 0.480210 restaurant 615 0.418313 price 602 0.409471 pretty 597 0.406070 back 591 0.401989	Word Freq Percentage good 3436 1.434793 food 2867 1.197192 place 2629 1.097809 get 2317 0.967525 great 2155 0.899878 go 1965 0.820538 order 1862 0.777528 come 1757 0.733682 like 1727 0.721155 service 1569 0.655178 time 1558 0.650584 try 1364 0.569575 really 1329 0.554959 one 1242 0.518630 make 1191 0.497334 also 1104 0.461005 would 1088 0.454323 nice 1071 0.447225 back 1069 0.446389 love 1026 0.428434	Word Freq Percentage food 3870 1.496149 place 3489 1.348854 great 3258 1.259549 good 2572 0.994340 go 2429 0.939056 get 2279 0.881066 service 2094 0.809544 come 1966 0.760059 time 1857 0.717920 order 1847 0.714054 love 1728 0.668048 try 1649 0.637507 make 1609 0.622042 best 1586 0.613151 delicious 1555 0.601166 like 1529 0.591114 back 1488 0.575264 one 1415 0.547042 amaze 1348 0.521139 also 1210 0.467788





N Grams (N=5)

1 star	2 star	3 star	4 star	5 star
Wanted to like this place I will never go back Would not recommend this place An hour and a half We had to ask for We will not back Would never recommend the place We will never go back We will never eat here again The quality of the food It was my first time This place used to be	I really wanted to like Wanted to like this place Out of my way to Really wanted to like this The quality of the food I felt like I was Give this place a try The food was good But We were the only ones Go out of my way I won't be going back The best part of the	Nothing to write home about The food was good but Go out of my way The food is good but The quality of the food The food was pretty good The best part of the If you are looking for Out of my way to At the end of the On the other hand was I am not a fan	This is a great place If you are looking for Is a great place to The best I've ever had I will definitely be back Just the right amount of Can't wait to go back Been here a few times I would definitely go back Get what you pay for Never had a better meal The staff is friendly	Can't wait to go back The best I've ever had I can't wait to go We will definitely go back Was one of the best I will definitely be back Can't wait to come back If you are looking for You will not be disappointed Was out of this world Just the right amount of Had in a long time





- Negative direct recommendation (exp: would never recommend) is much more common in 1 star compared to 2 star ratings.
- **"Contrast"** is very common in 3 star reviews. In this category, users usually bring both positive and negative comments in their reviews along with words such as "But", "On the other hand" and etc.
- The obvious difference between 4 star and 5 star reviews is observing more **"excitement"** and **"exaggerated statements"** in 5 star reviews compared to 4 star reviews.





- Applying TF-IDF technique, we observed that words and expressions that represent feelings even in their styles (wowoww, awwwwwwful, amaaazing, looooove) have high impact on reviews' message.
- Applying Multinomial Naive Bayes algorithm, just using the texts of reviews the "ratings" can be predicted in so many cases (72 percent precision and recall for 1 star difference and 86 percent precision and recall rations for 2 star difference -between 3 and 5 stars-classification).

Clas	sification	Report (3	and 4 stars	reviews)
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
3	0.70 0.73	0.75 0.68	0.72 0.70	634 641
avg / total	0.73	0.71	0.71	1275

Clas	sification	Report (4	and 5 stars	reviews)
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
4 5	0.72 0.70	0.68 0.74	0.70 0.72	1191 1202
avg / total	0.71	0.71	0.71	2393

Clas	sification	Report (3	and 5 stars	reviews)
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
3	0.84	0.89	0.86	634
5	0.88	0.83	0.85	641
avg / total	0.86	0.86	0.86	1275





Recommendations

- **First impression** is very important for shaping users' opinions about a restaurants, therefore it is suggested to pay special attention to the first time customers.
- Excitement shows high positive correlation with perfect reviews, restaurants owners have to come up with some ideas to **boost customers excitement** in their visits.
- Still the quality of food is the first factor that users care about. Do not sacrifice it for anything else.
- Try to induce some suggestions in the customers' minds. "Suggestions" (by other users and staff) can boost restaurant's reputation. This concept may have connection with "signature product/service".





Suggestions For Future Research

- Improving the mentioned classification model to get better precision and recall ratios
- Customized classification model for each country
- Customized classification model for each type of food





Links

- Full Report:
 - https://github.com/rezataeb/Springboard/blob/master/Documents/Final-Report-RezaTaeb-%20%22Yelp%20Text%20Analysis-Prediction%20of%20Restaurant%20Review%20Rating%20Using%20Review%20Text%22%20-%20Final%20Report.pdf
- Codes:
 https://github.com/rezataeb/Springboard/tree/master/Codes
- Dataset : https://www.yelp.com/dataset/challenge