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Stock Market Sentiment Analysis Using Preprocessing Techniques and Naive Bayes Classification

Introduction

In this project, stock market sentiment data was gathered from multiple Twitter handles that focus on economic news. The collected tweets were manually categorized into two sentiment classes: positive (1) and negative (-1). The dataset consists of 2,106 negative samples and 3,685 positive samples. To prepare the data for analysis, various word normalization techniques such as case folding, contraction, tokenization, stop word removal, punctuation removal, Stemming and Lemmatization were applied. After preprocessing, a Multinomial Naive Bayes classifier was implemented to predict the sentiment of new, unseen tweets. This approach aims to efficiently classify economic news sentiments, which can assist in stock market trend analysis and decision-making.

Dataset Description

We worked with the Stock Market Sentiment Dataset from Kaggle. This dataset has around 5800+ entries. Each entry contains a stock-related text like a news headline or a tweet. Each text is labeled with a sentiment: Positive, Negative, or Neutral.

The goal of using this dataset is to predict the sentiment behind stock market news and social media posts. It helps to understand how people feel about the market and different companies. The dataset has two main columns:

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- **Text**: Stock-related news or posts.
- **Sentiment**: The sentiment label.

Task Implementation

1. Mount Google Drive and Read Dataset

We connected our Google Drive to Colab and loaded the dataset using pandas. This way we can use the file in our code.

from google.colab import drive

drive.mount('/content/drive')

stock df = pd.read csv("/content/drive/MyDrive/stock data.csv")

2. Case Folding

We changed all letters in the text to small letters. This helps to make the data uniform because "Stock" and "stock" will be treated the same.

stock_df['Text_nlp'] = stock_df['Text'].str.lower()

3. Expand Contractions

We expanded short forms like "can't" to "cannot". This helps the computer understand the text better.

```
import contractions
stock_df['Text_nlp'] = stock_df['Text_nlp'].apply(contractions.fix)
```

4. Punctuation Removal

We removed symbols like commas, periods, and underscores. This makes the text cleaner and easier to process.

```
import re
stock_df['Text_nlp'] = stock_df['Text_nlp'].apply(lambda x: re.sub(r"[_-]", " ", x))

def punctuationRemoved(x):
    pRemoved = []
    for word in x:
    if word not in string.punctuation:
        pRemoved.append(word)
    return pRemoved
```

5. Tokenization

We split the sentences into individual words. This makes it easier to work with each word separately.

```
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
stock_df['Tokens'] = stock_df['Text_nlp'].apply(word_tokenize)
```

6. Stop Words Removal

We removed very common words like "the", "is", "on", etc. These words do not give much useful information for sentiment analysis.

```
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
stop_words = set(stopwords.words('english'))

def stopWordRemove(x):
    swRemoved = []
    for word in x:
    if word not in stop_words:
        swRemoved.append(word)
    return swRemoved

stock_df['Tokens'] = stock_df['Tokens'].apply(stopWordRemove)
```

7. Synonym Substitution (Optional Step)

Synonym substitution is replacing a word with another word that has a similar meaning. We did not apply synonym substitution directly in this project, but it can make models better by replacing words like "buy" with "purchase", making the data more uniform.

8. Stemming

We reduced words to their base form. For example, "playing", "played", "plays" become "play". This reduces the number of unique words.

```
from nltk.stem import PorterStemmer
stemmer = PorterStemmer()

def stemming(x):
    wStemming = []
    for word in x:
    wStemming.append(stemmer.stem(word))
    return wStemming

stock_df['Tokens'] = stock_df['Tokens'].apply(stemming)
```

9. Lemmatization

We further processed the words to make them their dictionary form. It is smarter than stemming. For example, "better" becomes "good".

```
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()
def lemmatization(x):
lemmaWord = []
for word in x:
lemmaWord.append(lemmatizer.lemmatize(word))
return lemmaWord
stock_df['Tokens'] = stock_df['Tokens'].apply(lemmatization)
```

10. Vector Semantics (TF-IDF Vectorization)

We changed the words into numbers because machine learning models work with numbers. TF-IDF measures how important a word is in the text.

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer

vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer()

stock_df['Processed_Text'] = stock_df['Tokens'].apply(lambda x: ''.join(x))

X = vectorizer.fit_transform(stock_df['Processed_Text'])

y = stock_df['Sentiment']
```

11. Model Training with Multinomial Naïve Bayes

We split the data into training and testing sets. Then, we trained the Naïve Bayes model to learn from the data.

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB

model = MultinomialNB()

model.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

12. Model Evaluation

We tested the model to see how well it worked. We also made a confusion matrix to show results.

```
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, confusion_matrix
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
print(classification_report(y_test, y_pred))
```

Classification Report:

Metric	Class -1	Class 1	Accuracy	Macro Avg	Weighted Avg
Precision	0.84	0.72		0.78	0.76
Recall	0.34	0.96		0.65	0.73
F1-Score	0.49	0.82		0.65	0.70
Support	427	732	1159	1159	1159
Accuracy			0.73		

Confusion Matrix:

```
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt='.1f', cmap='Greens')
plt.xlabel('Predicted')
plt.ylabel('Actual')
plt.title('Confusion Matrix')
plt.show()
```

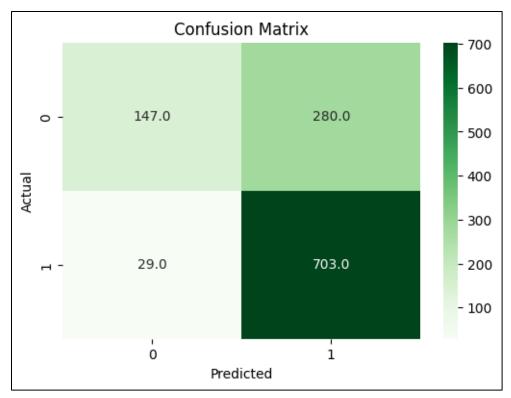


Fig: Confusion Matrix

The confusion matrix shows that the model is very good at finding class 1. Out of 732 real class 1 examples, it got 703 correct and only made 29 mistakes. But for class -1, the model has more problems. Out of 427 real class -1 examples, it only got 147 correct and made 280 mistakes by calling them class 1. So, the model is much better at finding class 1 than class -1.

Conclusion

In this project, we successfully used several natural language processing techniques to prepare stock market-related text data for sentiment analysis. We applied steps like case folding, tokenization, stop words removal, punctuation removal, stemming, and lemmatization. After processing the text, we used TF-IDF to transform the data into numbers and trained a Multinomial Naïve Bayes model. Our model was able to classify the text into positive, negative, and neutral sentiments. This project helped us learn how different NLP methods work together to clean, process, and make predictions from real-world text data.