BUILDING A SMARTER AI-POWERED SPAM CLASSIFIER

Introduction:

The problem is to build an AI-powered spam classifier that canaccurately distinguish between spam and non-spam messages in emails or text messages. The goal is to reduce the number of false positives (classifying legitimate messages as spam) and false negatives (missing actual spam messages) while achieving a high level of accuracy.

Steps:

- **Data Collection**: Gather a labeled dataset of emails or text messages, with examples of both spam and non-spam (ham) messages.
- Data Preprocessing:
- Tokenization: Break text into words or tokens.
- Stopword Removal: Eliminate common words like "and," "the," etc.
- Lemmatization or Stemming: Reduce words to their base form.
- Feature Extraction:
- Convert text data into numerical features using techniques like TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency) or word embeddings.
- **Split Data**: Divide the dataset into training and testing sets.
- Model Selection:
- Choose a machine learning algorithm like Naive Bayes, Support Vector Machines, or deep learning techniques (e.g., LSTM or CNN for text classification).
- **Model Training**: Train the chosen model on the training data.
- **Model Evaluation**: Evaluate the model's performance on the test data using metrics like accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score.
- **Hyperparameter Tuning**: Optimize the model's hyperparameters to improve performance.
- **Cross-Validation** (Optional): Use k-fold cross-validation to ensure the model's robustness.

- **Deployment**: Implement the trained model in a real-world environment for spam classification.
- **Monitoring and Updating**: Continuously monitor the model's performance and update it as needed.
- **User Interface** (Optional): Create a user-friendly interface for users to interact with the spam classifier.

Naive Bayes for Text Classification

Introduction

The dataset contains SMS messages labeled as *ham* (non-spam) or *spam*. We'll use scikit-learn's Naive Bayes Classifier to predict these labels.

How does it work?

Naive Bayes is an algorithm which is commonly used in natural language processing (NLP) tasks such as spam filtering, sentiment analysis, classification, recommendation. It is based on *Bayes' Theorem* as shown below.

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) * P(A)}{P(B)}$$

P(A|B) = probability of A if B occurs

P(B|A) = probability of B if A occurs

P(A) = probability of A

P(B) = probability of A

A Naive Bayes classifier gives us the conditional probabilities of events occur related to each other by using Bayes' Theorem.

In scikit-learn, there are 3 types naive bayes algorithms.

Gaussian Naive Bayes: It works with continuous attributes, it assumes the data normally distributed (Gaussian Distribution)

Multinomial Naive Bayes: It works with frequencies of features. It is used text classification or

Bernoulli Naive Bayes: It works with multinomial binary variables, usually used for text classification like multinomial

We'll use Multinomal in this notebook.

Basics of Natural Language Processing

Since we'll use *Naive Bayes* in a *text classification* task, I would like to explain briefly some concepts that are we going to use.

Lemmatization: It is a process of make the same words in their stem. For example run, ran, running are different in terms of Python. We lemmatize the word to get run.

Stop words: The words that are not important in terms of the context

Tokenization: The process of extracting words in a sentence by spaces and punctuations. In this project we'll use nltk's word_tokenize

Bag Of Words: BoW is the representation of text data in a numerical way that machine learning algoritms can work with.

Tf-idf (Term Frequency - Inverse Term Frequency): It is a statistical concept to be used to get importance of words in corpus. We'll use scikit-learn's *TfidfVectorizer*. The vectorizer will calculate the weight of each word in corpus and will return a tfidf matrix.

$$w_{i,j} = t f_{i,j} \times \log\left(\frac{N}{df_i}\right)$$

td = Term frequency (number of occurance each i in j) df = Document frequency N = Number of documents w = tf-idf weight for each i and j (document).

Requirements

"../input/" directory

Before start the project. We have to install the necessary libraries via following commands.

```
pip install -U scikit-learn

pip install wordcloud

pip install --user -U nltk

In[1]:

# This Python 3 environment comes with many helpful
analytics libraries installed
# It is defined by the kaggle/python Docker image:
    https://github.com/kaggle/docker-python
# For example, here's several helpful packages to load
import numpy as np # linear algebra
import pandas as pd # data processing, CSV file I/O
(e.g. pd.read_csv)

# Input data files are available in the read-only
```

```
# For example, running this (by clicking run or pressing
Shift+Enter) will list all files under the input
directory
import os
for dirname, _, filenames in os.walk('/kaggle/input'):
    for filename in filenames:
        print(os.path.join(dirname, filename))
# You can write up to 5GB to the current directory
(/kaggle/working/) that gets preserved as output when
you create a version using "Save & Run All"
# You can also write temporary files to /kaggle/temp/,
but they won't be saved outside of the current session
/kaggle/input/spam-text-message-classification/SPAM
text message 20170820 - Data.csv
In [2]:
# Fundamentals
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
# Import NLTK to use its functionalities on texts
"""DO NOT forget to download followings if you do not
have
# nltk.download('punkt')
#nltk.download('wordnet')
import nltk
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
```

```
# We will visualize the messages with a word cloud
from wordcloud import WordCloud
# Multinomial Naive Bayes Classifier
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB
# Import Tf-idf Vectorizer
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import
TfidfVectorizer
# Import the Label Encoder
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
# Import the train test split
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
# To evaluate our model
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
from sklearn.metrics import roc_curve, auc
from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score
# I will keep the resulting plots
%matplotlib inline
```

1. Exploratory Data Analysis

%config IPCompleter.greedy=True

Enable Jupyter Notebook's intellisense

Let's start with importing the data into a pandas DataFrame called data

In [3]:

```
# Load the data
data = pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/spam-text-message-
classification/SPAM text message 20170820 - Data.csv')
```

Now we can look at main features of the dataset In [4]:

```
# Display firt five rows
display(data.head())

# Display the summary statistics
display(data.describe())

# Print the info
print(data.info())
```

Out [4]:

	Category	Message
0	ham	Go until jurong point, crazy Available only
1	ham	Ok lar Joking wif u oni
2	spam	Free entry in 2 a wkly comp to win FA Cup fina

3	ham	U dun say so early hor U c already then say	
4	ham	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives aro	
	Category	Message	
count	5572	5572	
unique	2	5157	
top	ham	Sorry, I'll call later	
freq	4825	30	

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 5572 entries, 0 to 5571
Data columns (total 2 columns):
    # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
--- 0 Category 5572 non-null object
    1 Message 5572 non-null object
    dtypes: object(2)
memory usage: 87.2+ KB
None
```

Our dataset has **Message** and **Category** columns which consist of *object* data type. There are 5572 messages. We have to check whether the category data is *balanced or not*.

In [5]:

```
# Print the counts of each category
print(data['Category'].value_counts())
print()
```

```
# Print the proportions of each category
print(data['Category'].value_counts(normalize=True))
# Visualize the Categories
sns.countplot(data['Category'])
plt.title("Category Counts")
plt.show()
```

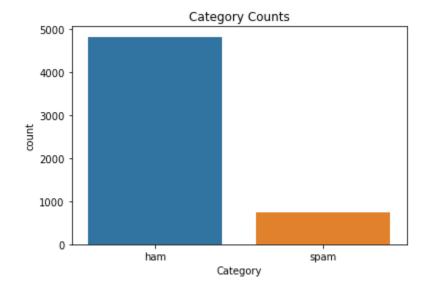
Out [5]:

ham 4825 spam 747

Name: Category, dtype: int64

ham 0.865937 spam 0.134063

Name: Category, dtype: float64



As we can see above, the dataset is unbalanced. We have to consider this when we build our model. As well as, we need to encode the labels to use our machine learning model. To achieve this we'll use the Label Encoder from scikit-learn

In [6]:

```
# Initialize the Label Encoder.
le = LabelEncoder()

# Encode the categories
data['Category_enc'] =
le.fit_transform(data['Category'])

# Display the first five rows again to see the result display(data.head())

# Print the datatypes
print(data.dtypes)
```

Out [6]:

	Category	Message	Category_enc
0	ham	Go until jurong point, crazy Available only	0
1	ham	Ok lar Joking wif u oni	0
2	spam	Free entry in 2 a wkly comp to win FA Cup fina	1
3	ham	U dun say so early hor U c already then say	0

4 ham	Nah I don't think he goes to usf, he lives aro	0
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Category object
Message object
Category_enc int64
dtype: object

We got the encoded categories. Now, 0 = ham and 1 = spam.

2. Feature Engineering

Before build the classification model, let's explore the data. First we'll compare the word counts of messages in each category

In [7]:

```
# Store the number of words in each messages
data['word_count'] =
data['Message'].str.split().str.len()

# Print the average number of words in each category
print(data.groupby('Category')['word_count'].mean())

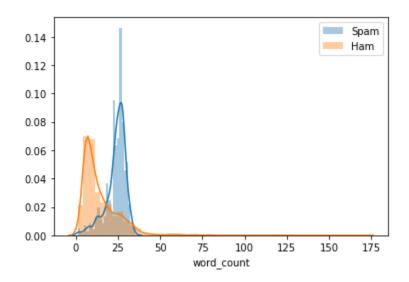
# Visualize the distribution of word counts in each
category
sns.distplot(data[data['Category']=='spam']['word_count'], label='Spam')
sns.distplot(data[data['Category']=='ham']['word_count'], label='Ham'),
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

Out [7]:

Category

ham 14.310259 spam 23.812584

Name: word_count, dtype: float64



Apparently, spams tend to contain more number of words. What about the most common words in each?

In [8]:

```
# Make the letters lower case and tokenize the words
tokenized_messages =
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data['Message'].str.lower().apply(word_tokenize)

Print the tokens to see how it looks like
print(tokenized_messages)

Out [8]:

```
[go, until, jurong, point, ,, crazy...
availab...
                   [ok, lar, ..., joking, wif, u, oni,
. . . ]
        [free, entry, in, 2, a, wkly, comp, to, win,
2
f...
        [u, dun, say, so, early, hor, ..., u, c,
3
alrea...
        [nah, i, do, n't, think, he, goes, to, usf,
4
, , . . .
5567
        [this, is, the, 2nd, time, we, have, tried,
2, . . .
           [will, ü, b, going, to, esplanade, fr, home,
5568
?]
        [pity, ,, *, was, in, mood, for, that, ., so,
5569
. . .
5570
        [the, guy, did, some, bitching, but, i,
acted, ...
                        [rofl, ., its, true, to, its,
5571
name |
Name: Message, Length: 5572, dtype: object
There some non-alphanumeric characters (* ' " - ) and stop words like a, and, the
etc. Let's discard them
In [9]:
# Define a function to returns only alphanumeric tokens
def alpha(tokens):
    """This function removes all non-alphanumeric
characters"""
    alpha = []
```

```
for token in tokens:
        if str.isalpha(token) or token in
['n\'t','won\'t']:
            if token=='n\'t':
                alpha.append('not')
                continue
            elif token == 'won\'t':
                alpha.append('wont')
                continue
            alpha.append(token)
    return alpha
# Apply our function to tokens
tokenized_messages = tokenized_messages.apply(alpha)
print(tokenized_messages)
Out [9]:
        [go, until, jurong, point, available, only,
0
in...
                            [ok, lar, joking, wif, u,
1
oni]
        [free, entry, in, a, wkly, comp, to, win, fa,
2
. . .
        [u, dun, say, so, early, hor, u, c, already,
3
t...
        [nah, i, do, not, think, he, goes, to, usf,
4
he...
        [this, is, the, time, we, have, tried,
contact...
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```
[will, ü, b, going, to, esplanade, fr,
5568
home 1
5569
        [pity, was, in, mood, for, that, so, any,
othe...
        [the, guy, did, some, bitching, but, i,
5570
acted, ...
                           [rofl, its, true, to, its,
5571
name 1
Name: Message, Length: 5572, dtype: object
It's time to deal with the stop words. We've already imported stopwords from
nltk.
In [10]:
# Define a function to remove stop words
def remove_stop_words(tokens):
    """This function removes all stop words in terms of
nltk stopwords"""
    no\_stop = []
    for token in tokens:
        if token not in stopwords.words('english'):
             no_stop.append(token)
    return no_stop
# Apply our function to tokens
tokenized_messages =
tokenized_messages.apply(remove_stop_words)
print(tokenized_messages)
Out [10]:
```

```
[go, jurong, point, available, bugis, n,
great...
                            [ok, lar, joking, wif, u,
onil
        [free, entry, wkly, comp, win, fa, cup,
final....
            [u, dun, say, early, hor, u, c, already,
3
say]
           [nah, think, goes, usf, lives, around,
4
though]
5567 [time, tried, contact, u, pound, prize,
claim, ...
5568
                        [ü, b, going, esplanade, fr,
home ]
5569
                                  [pity, mood,
suggestions
     [guy, bitching, acted, like, interested,
5570
buyin...
                                         [rofl, true,
5571
namel
Name: Message, Length: 5572, dtype: object
Moreover, we need to lemmatize the words. We've already imported
```

WordNetLemmatizer from nltk.

```
In [11]:
```

```
# Define a function to lemmatization
def lemmatize(tokens):
    """This function lemmatize the messages"""
    # Initialize the WordNetLemmatizer
```

```
lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()
    # Create the lemmatized list
    lemmatized = []
    for token in tokens:
            # Lemmatize and append
lemmatized.append(lemmatizer.lemmatize(token))
    return " ".join(lemmatized)
# Apply our function to tokens
tokenized_messages =
tokenized_messages.apply(lemmatize)
print(tokenized_messages)
Out [11]:
        go jurong point available bugis n great world
0
. . .
                                   ok lar joking wif u
1
oni
        free entry wkly comp win fa cup final tkts
2
may...
                      u dun say early hor u c already
3
say
                      nah think go usf life around
4
though
        time tried contact u pound prize claim easy
5567
ca...
                               ü b going esplanade fr
5568
home
```

```
5569
                                        pity mood
suggestion
5570
        guy bitching acted like interested buying
some...
                                              rofl true
5571
name
Name: Message, Length: 5572, dtype: object
Let's replace Message column with tokenized_messages
In [12]:
# Replace the columns with tokenized messages
data['Message'] = tokenized_messages
# Display the first five rows
display(data.head())
```

Out [12]:

	Category	Message	Category_enc	word_count
0	ham	go jurong point available bugis n great world	0	20
1	ham	ok lar joking wif u oni	0	6
2	spam	free entry wkly comp win fa cup final tkts may	1	28

3	ham	u dun say early hor u c already say	0	11
4	ham	nah think go usf life around though	0	13

Visualize the words mostly used in each type of messages.

```
In [13]:
# Get the spam messages
spam =
data[data['Category']=='spam']['Message'].str.cat(sep='
, ')
# Get the ham messages
ham =
data[data['Category'] == 'ham']['Message'].str.cat(sep=',
')
# Initialize the word cloud
wc = WordCloud(width = 500, height = 500, min_font_size
= 10, background_color ='white')
# Generate the world clouds for each type of message
spam_wc = wc.generate(spam)
# plot the world cloud for spam
plt.figure(figsize = (5, 5), facecolor = None)
plt.imshow(spam_wc)
plt.axis("off")
plt.title("Common words in spam messages")
```

```
plt.tight_layout(pad = 0)
plt.show()
ham_wc = wc.generate(ham)

# plot the world cloud for spam
plt.figure(figsize = (5, 5), facecolor = None)
plt.imshow(ham_wc)
plt.axis("off")
plt.title("Common words in ham messages")
plt.tight_layout(pad = 0)
plt.show()
```

Out [13]:

Common words in spam messages





It seems that ham messages contain lot's of abbreviation and informal words. Spams tend to contain mostly *free, mobile, cole, text*

3. Build the model

First select the our features and the target.

In [14]:

```
# Select the features and the target
X = data['Message']
y = data['Category_enc']
```

We need to split our data into train and test sets. We'll use **stratify** parameter of train_test_split since our data is unbalanced

In [15]:

```
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X,
y, test_size=0.2, random_state=34, stratify=y)
```

Now, we can get the tf-idf by using scikit-learn's TfidfVectorizer. Tf-idf stands for term frequency - inverse document frequency. It is commonly used in Natural Language Processing to determine the most important words in the document.

In [16]:

Out [17]:

```
# Create the tf-idf vectorizer
vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer(strip_accents='ascii')
# First fit the vectorizer with our training set
tfidf_train = vectorizer.fit_transform(X_train)
# Now we can fit our test data with the same vectorizer
tfidf_test = vectorizer.transform(X_test)
Finally, we can build the our machine learning model.
In [17]:
# Initialize the Multinomial Naive Bayes classifier
nb = MultinomialNB()
# Fit the model
nb.fit(tfidf_train, y_train)
# Print the accuracy score
print("Accuracy:", nb.score(tfidf_test, y_test))
```

Accuracy: 0.9587443946188341

It gives us approximately 96% accuracy.

4. Evaluate the model

The accuracy score is not enought to say our model's performance great. We need to do more calculation to be make sure.

```
In [18]:
# Predict the labels
y_pred = nb.predict(tfidf_test)
# Print the Confusion Matrix
cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
print("Confusion Matrix\n")
print(cm)
# Print the Classification Report
cr = classification_report(y_test, y_pred)
print("\n\nClassification Report\n")
print(cr)
# Print the Receiver operating characteristic Auc score
auc_score = roc_auc_score(y_test, y_pred)
print("\nROC AUC Score:",auc_score)
# Get probabilities.
y_pred_proba = nb.predict(tfidf_test)
# Get False Positive rate, True Positive rate and the
threshold
fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, y_pred_proba)
# Visualize the ROC curve.
```

```
plt.plot(fpr, tpr)
plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'r--')
plt.xlim([0.0, 1.0])
plt.ylim([0.0, 1.05])
plt.xlabel('FP Rate')
plt.ylabel('TP Rate')
plt.title('ROC')
plt.show()
```

Out [18]:

Confusion Matrix

[[966 0] [46 103]]

Classification Report

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
0	0.95	1.00	0.98	966
1	1.00	0.69	0.82	149
accuracy			0.96	1115
macro avg	0.98	0.85	0.90	1115
weighted avg	0.96	0.96	0.96	1115

ROC AUC Score: 0.8456375838926175

