Code Snippet Classification

Big Data Computing Project

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The Task

Given a **short** snippet of code, predict the programming language.



Useful for Visual IDE tool:

- to highlight keywords
- to check syntax error

Useful for Online forums:

clusters un-tagged questions

The environment





The Dataset

GitHub SQL Dataset

Version available: FULL (60GB) and LITE (3GB)

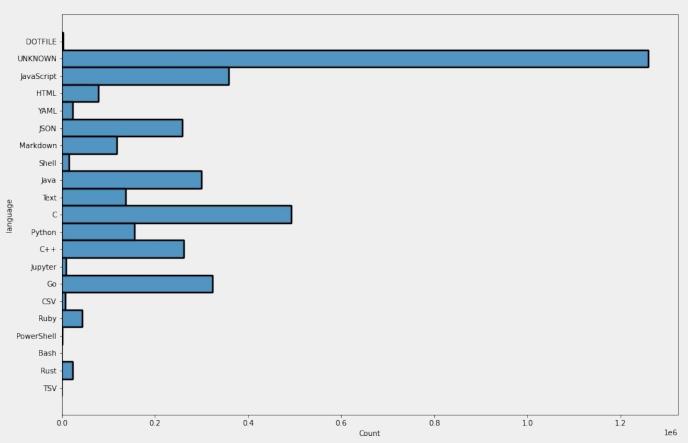
20 Different languages covered + Unknown Class

Length of snippets is 5 rows

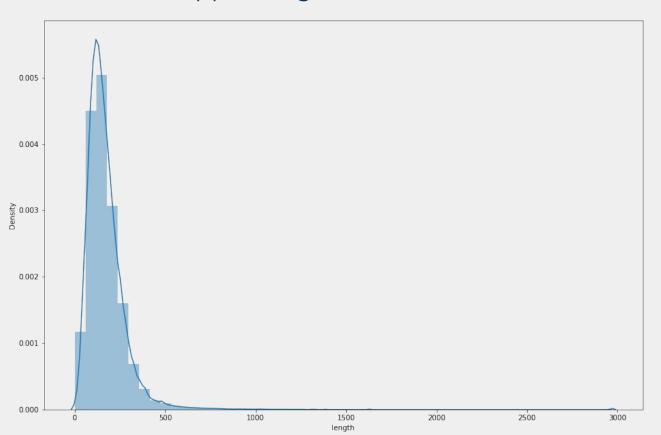
We have access also to other Fields, like License Type

Visualize the data

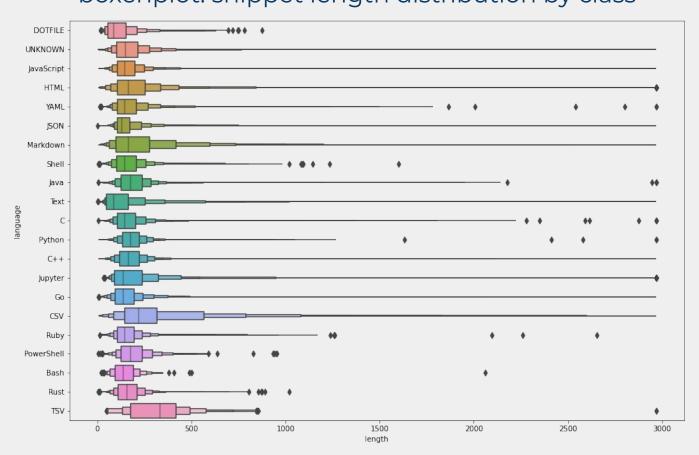
class sizes



Visualize the data snippet length distribution



Visualize the data boxenplot: snippet length distribution by class



Our Approach

The preprocessing pipeline

Cleaning the data

Manual **stratify split** in train, dev and test set

Remove **non-programming** languages (csv, json, ..)
Remove **noisy unknown** class
Merge **Shell** family languages (shell, bash, ..)

Remove **outlier** rows Check for **missing** data Calculating class **weights**

Tokenize the snippet

Our first try:

A small Vocabulary manually built from a fixed set of keywords + punctuation Tokenizing finding substring matches, using the vocabulary.

Strength:

Low dimensionality of vectors helps simple models to achieve high performance

Weakness:

Powerful models not able to reach their best performances

No parallelization possibile with simple implementation

Tokenize the snippet

So, we rely on Spark **RegexTokenizer**:



Encoding the snippet

We tried 2 encoding strategy:





5k Max Vocabulary Size

Sometimes, less is more.

Our Approach

The training stage

Training the models

We train and evaluate the following models:

Decision tree classifier

Gradient-boosted tree classifier [OVR] (failed)

Random forest

Multinomial logistic regression

Naive Bayes classifier

Linear Support vectors machines [OVR]

Evaluating the models

We obtain the following results:

MODEL	F1 Score (dev)	Accuracy (dev)
Decision tree classifier	0.38	0.45
Gradient-boosted tree	?	?
Random forest	0.55	0.53
Multinomial logistic reg.	0.83	0.83
Naive bayes	0.74	0.73
Linear SVM	0.82	0.82



Results explanation

Winners

Logistic regression Linear SVM



Data is linearly separable

Data can be modeled by a multinomial distribution

Losers

Decision tree

Random Forest



Data is very sparse

Data might not be aligned to axis

Benchmark the model

So, we select the best model and we benchmark it on **test** set, using:

Cross Validation + Grid Search

Accuracy + F1 score

Confusion matrix

Learning curve

Results

Benchmarks:

(Grid Search) 5 Fold Cross-Validation F1: 82.5%

Test set results:

F1-Score: **82**.2%

Accuracy: 82.0%

Confusion Matrix

- 40000

- 35000

- 30000

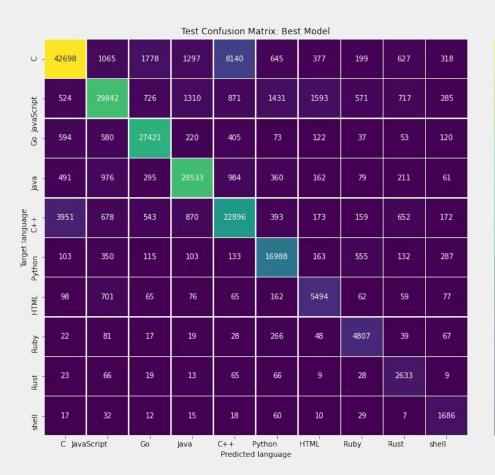
- 25000

20000

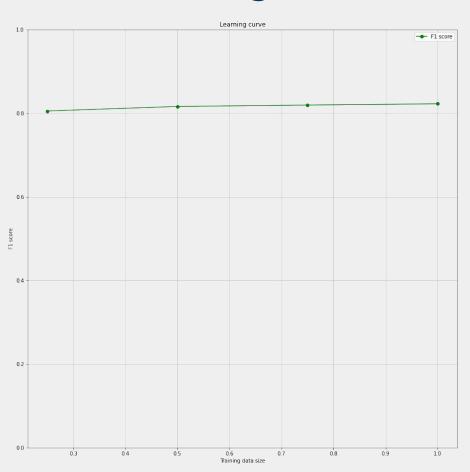
- 15000

- 10000

- 5000



Learning Curve



Web Application

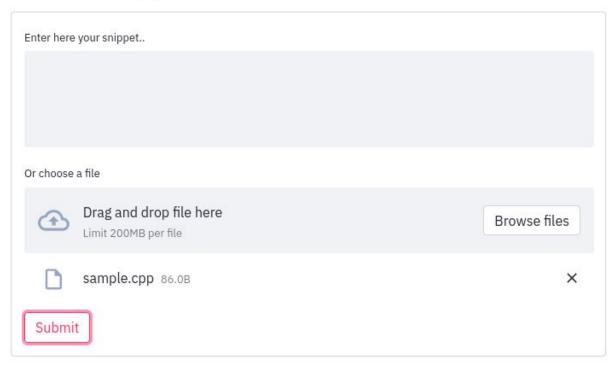
How Does it Works?

Instead of leveraging Docker (local) and build a Web Application using Flask REST API..

We decided to use Colab Runtime as a virtual machine, configure Spark with a Master Node and deploy our application using **Streamlit**

Actually, you can try to use it (the link will be provided during the live presentation)

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Thank you!