

Sentiment Analysis

Annotated bibliography

• 6 citations versus 12 citations

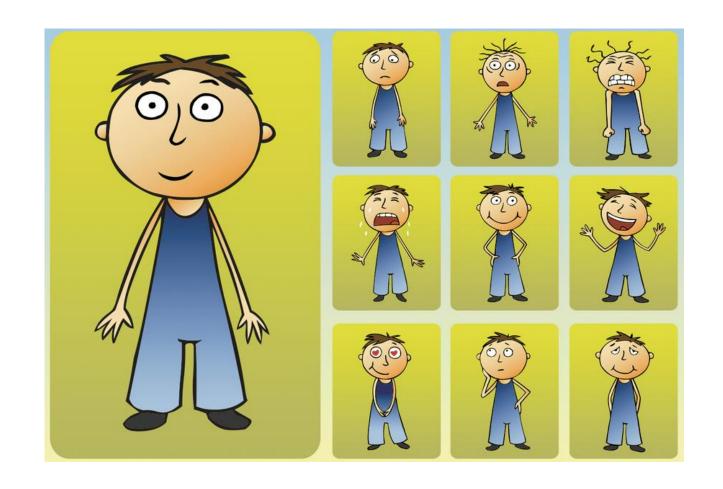
Programming Assignments

Question with spreadsheet

Hit record

What is sentiment?

- Sentiment = feelings
 - attitudes
 - emotions
 - opinions
- Subjective impressions Not facts!



What is sentiment?

- Determining if someone is:
 - For/against
 - Like/dislike
 - Good/bad

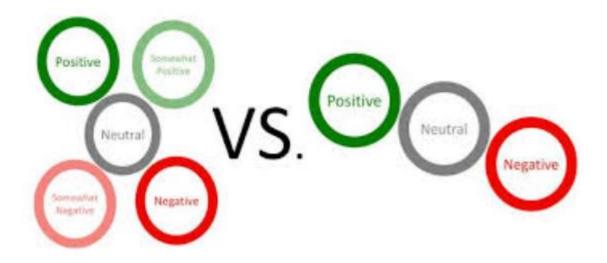


- For example:
 - Polarity:
 - state of two opposite opinions

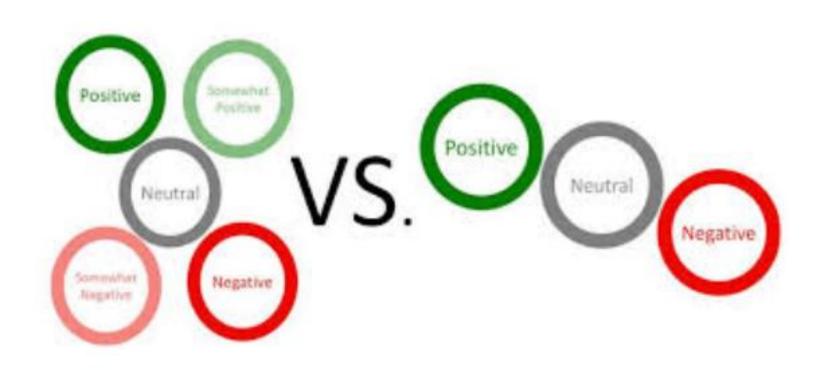


Semantic orientation

opinion on a feature f states whether the opinion is positive, negative or neutral with sentiment in between



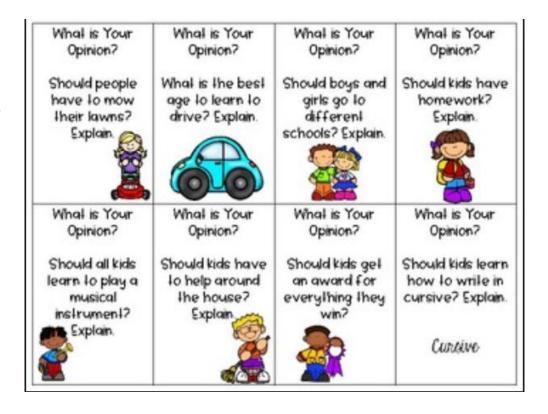
What factors makes one more difficult to classify than the other?



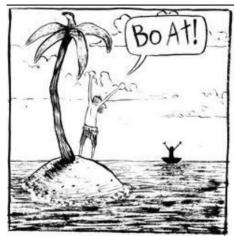
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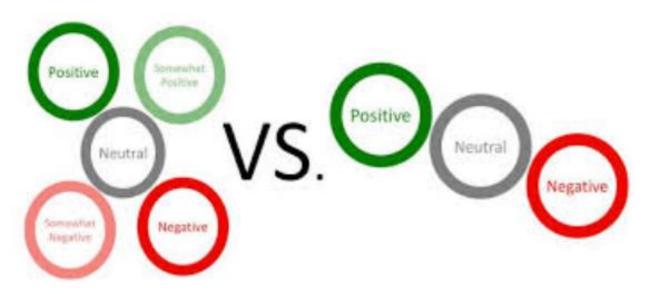




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- Bias detection
 - in news sources



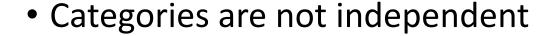
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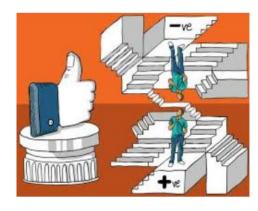


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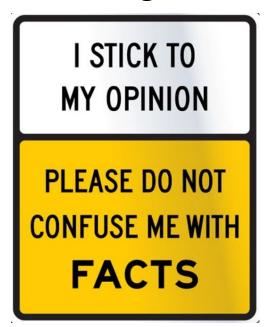
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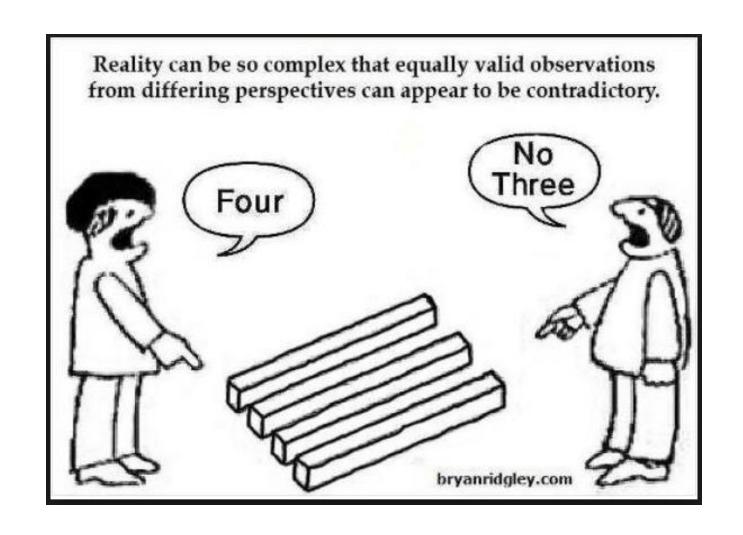


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Categories are not independent



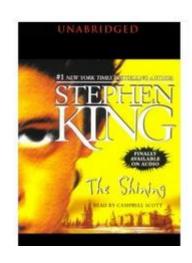
 Characteristics of answers to opinion-based questions are different from fact-based questions



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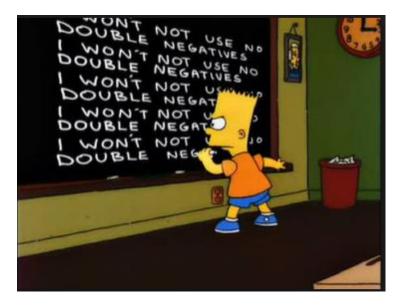


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The characters are so real and handled so carefully, that being trapped inside the Overlook is no longer just a freaky experience. You run along with them, filled with dread, from all the horrible personifications of evil inside the hotel's awful walls. There were several times where I actually dropped the book and was too scared to pick it back up. Intellectually, you know it's not real. It's just a bunch of letters and words grouped together on pages. Still, whenever I go into the bathroom late at night, I have to pull back the shower curtain just to make sure.

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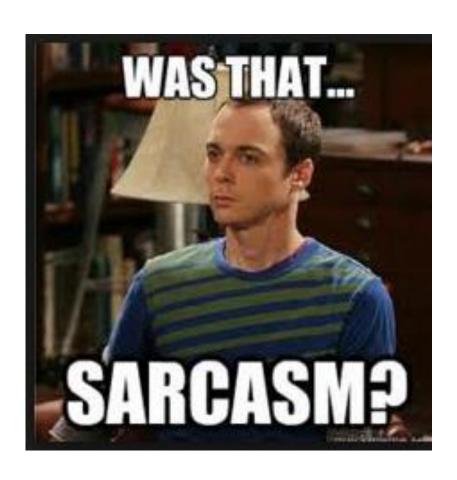
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Rhetorical devices such as sarcasm and irony are often imployed



A letter to a hardware store



Dear <store>,

Yesterday I had the occasion to visit <your competitor>. They had an excellent selection, friendly and helpful sales people, and the lowest prices in town.

You guys suck.

Sincerely,
Jane Doe



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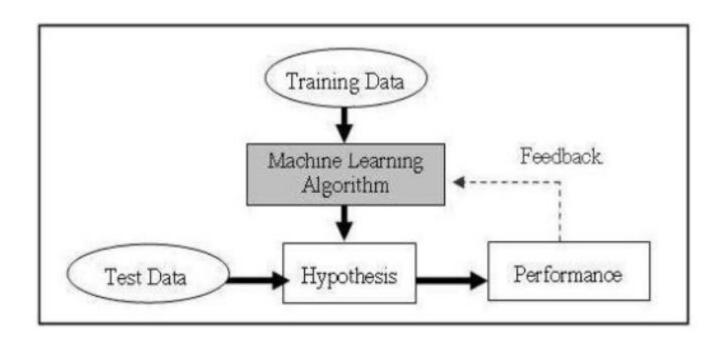


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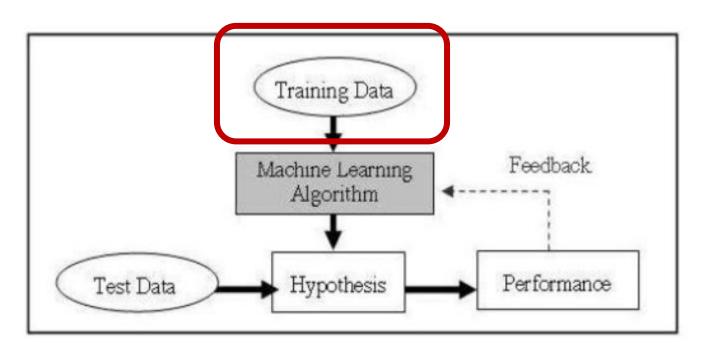


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 - The end is the best part... the time you can finally go home

Cast as a classification task



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 - manually annotated training data

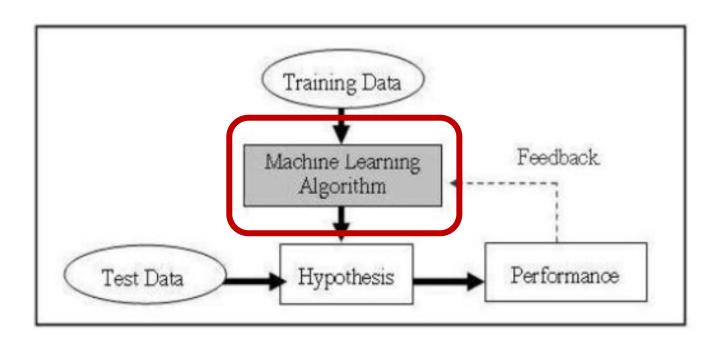


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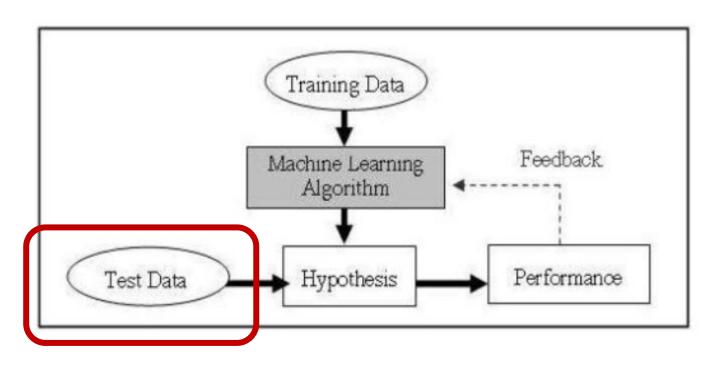
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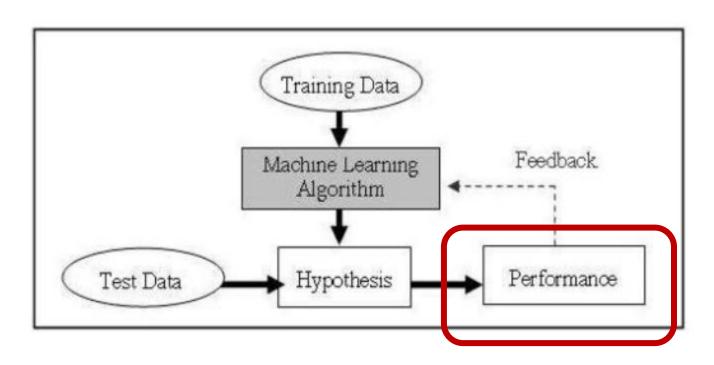
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Performance

- how well does our algorithm work
- Metrics
 - Precision, Recall, F-measure

Feature representations

- Feature-based
- Featureless



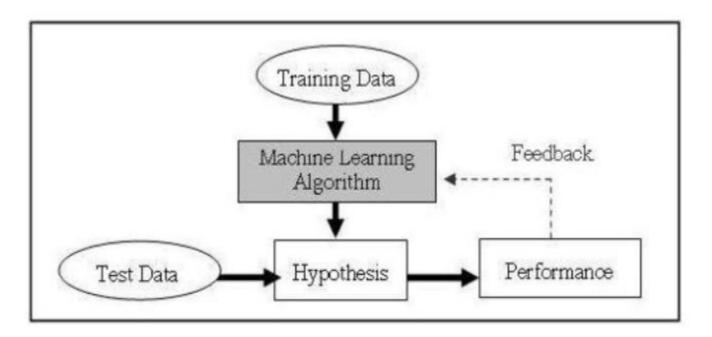


Feature-based



Pang et al 2002

- Training Data: movie reviews
 - 700 positive
 - 700 negative
- Machine Learning
 - Algorithm:
 - Naïve Bayes
 - MaxEnt
 - SVM
 - Features:
 - n-grams
 - POS
- Performance:
 - 3-fold cross validation
 - Accuracy



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One of the first papers to present supervised semantic classification

unigrams (aka: bag of words; 1st order cooccurrence vectors)

The Bag of Words Representation

I love this movie! It's sweet. but with satirical humor. The dialogue is great and the adventure scenes are fun... It manages to be whimsical and romantic while laughing at the conventions of the fairy tale genre. I would recommend it to just about anyone. I've seen it several times, and I'm always happy to see it again whenever I have a friend who hasn't seen it yet!

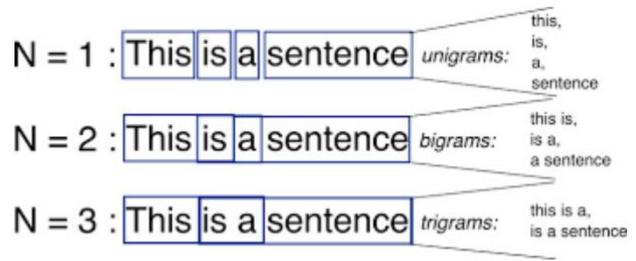


whimsical satirical adventure humor

Subsequent features

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The Hunger Games Sci-fi adventure, 2012



In the future the USA is a new country called Panem. Every year the Capitol of Panem chooses 12 boys and 12 girls to go on a TV show called *The Hunger Games*. In this TV show the teenagers have to fight until there is only one person left. Katniss goes on the show and she has to run fast and fight to save her life.

I love the actors in this film. Jennifer Lawrence, Liam Hemsworth and Josh Hutcherson are fantastic as Katniss, Gale and Peeta. My favourite character is Katniss because she is very good at running and fighting. Also, I think that the film is good because it is exactly the same as the book.

I give The Hunger Games ☆☆☆☆, go and watch it soon!

Marta (13 years old, Mexico)

☆☆☆☆ Fantastic! ☆☆ Bad
☆☆☆☆ Really good! ☆ Terrible!

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Top Tips for writing

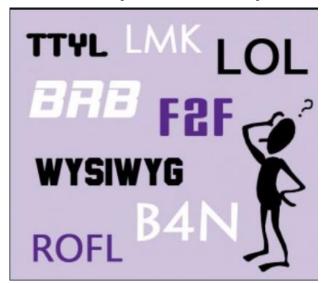
- 1. Start with the film's title.
- 2. The type of film. When it was made.
- 3. Explain the film's story but don't explain the ending!
- 4. Your opinion of the film.
- 5. Should people go and watch the film?

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- Weighting
 - based on frequency of the term
 - based on the term frequency inverse document frequency



Acronym expansion



ACRON	YM	EXPANSION
SCAM	>	Samajwadi Party, Congress, Akhilesh, Mayawati
PPP	>	PUNJAB, PUDUCHERRY, PARIVAAR
ABCD	>	Adarsh, Bofors, Coal and Damaad
AK-49	>	ARVIND KEJRIWAL (AND HIS 49-DAY FIRST GOVERNMENT IN DELHI)
RSVP	>	RAHUL, SONIA, VADRA, PRIYANKA
JAM	>	JAN DHAN-AADHAAR MOBILE
HRIDAY	>	HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT AND AUGMENTATION YOJANA
B2B	>	BHARAT TO BHUTAN
AIM	>	ATAL INNOVATION MISSION
SETU	>	SELF EMPLOYMENT AND TALENT UTILISATION

BUSINESS ACRONYMS				
Financial				
ACCT	ACCT Account			
ACR	Accrual			
ACV	Actual Cash Value			
AGI	AGI Adjusted Gross Income			
AGR	Adjusted Gross Revenue			
A/R	Accounts Receivable			
BS	Balance Sheet			
BGT	Budget			
COGS	Cost of Goods Sold			
CPTAL	Capital			
EPS	Earnings Per Share			
FIFO	First In, First Out			
ROA	Return On Assets			

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Gen Z Social Media Acronyms And Abbreviations

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Information

AF

As F----

BAE

Before Anyone Else

BC

Because

FFS

For F---'s Sake

FML

F--- My Life

FWIW

For What It's Worth

нми

Hit Me Up

IDK

I Don't Know

ILY

I Love You

ISO

In Search Of

JK

Just Kidding

ITM

Just The Messenger

LMAO

Laughing My A-- Off

NVM

Nevermind

NYT

Name Your Trade

Obv

Obviously

OMG

Oh My God

OMW

On My Way

PLS

Please

PSA

Public Service Announcement

RN

Right Now

ROFL

Rolling On

The Floor Laughing

SRSLY

Seriously

TMI

Too Much Informatioin

TY

Thank You

WTF

What The F---

YW

You're Welcome

Part-of-speech

 High correlation between the presence of an adjective and the sentence subjectivity

- certain adjectives are good indicators of sentiment
- this does not imply though that other parts of speech do not contribute to expressions of opinion or sentiment

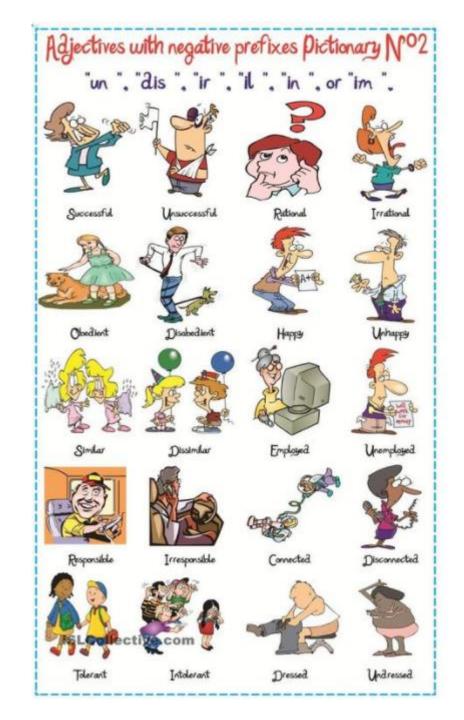


Syntax

- Incorporating syntactic relations within the feature set
 - found to be relevant for short pieces of text (Kudo & Matsumoto)
 - up for debate if this information is helpful

but

 can provide a basis for including negation, collocation and syntactic patterns



Negation

- Handling negation can be important
 - I don't like this book == I dislike this book != I like this book
- One approach is to initially ignore the negation and the flip the label in the end
 - However, not all appearances of explicit negation terms reverse the polarity of a text segment
 - No wonder this is considered one of the best == good regardless of the No
 - Negation can be expressed in subtle ways
 - it avoids all clichés and predictability found in Hollywood movies

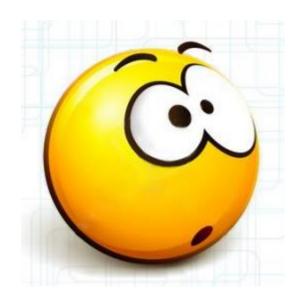
Topic oriented features

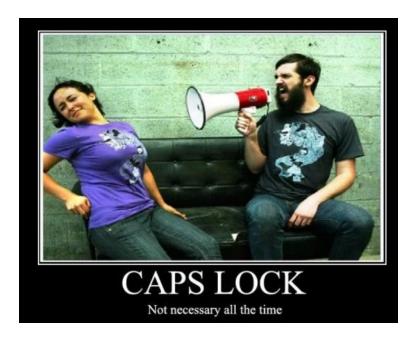
- Topics can play a role in the sentiment
 - Walmart reports that profits rose
 - Target reports that profits rose
- Indicate completely different types of news (good vs bad) depending on the subject of the document in this case *Walmart*
- Basically we are asking if the sentence is referring to the topic being discussed ... sometimes it does but not necessarily

Microblogging features

- Smileys
 - common approach for working with tweets or short texts
 - sentiment mostly succintly represented with the emoticons if they are present

- All caps character representation
 - usually someone is a bit upset if they are using all caps somewhere in the text





Hashtags

- Pre-identifying
 - positive, negative and neutral
 - using them as flags
- treat them as a single feature

•	split them into recognizable words and include the individual	words in
	the feature set	

Positive	#iloveitwhen, #thingsilike, #bestfeel-			
	ing, #bestfeelingever, #omgthatssotrue,			
	#imthankfulfor, #thingsilove, #success			
Negative	#fail, #epicfail, #nevertrust, #worst,			
	#worse, #worstlies, #imtiredof, #itsno-			
	tokay, #worstfeeling, #notcute, #somethin-			
	gaintright, #somethingsnotright, #ihate			
Neutral	#job, #tweetajob, #omgfacts, #news, #lis-			
	teningto, #lastfm, #hiring, #cnn			

Table 3: Top positive, negative and neutral hashtags used to create the HASH data set

Polarity key words

 There seems to be some relation between positive words and positive reviews

- Number of datasets that identify positive and negative words
- One question though was:
 - Can humans actually come up with a set of keywords by hand to identify polarity?

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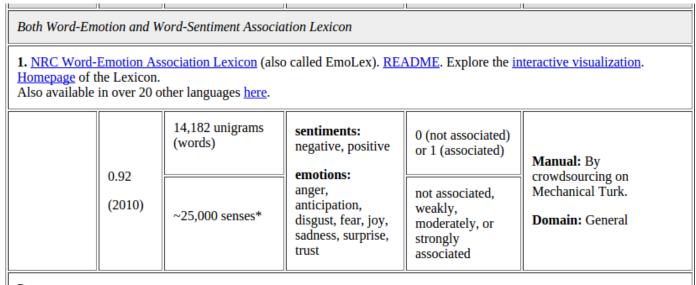
Two human subjects were asked to pick keywords that would be good indicators of sentiment polarity

	Proposed word lists	Accuracy	Ties
Human 1	positive: dazzling, brilliant, phenomenal, excellent, fantastic negative: suck, terrible, awful, unwatchable, hideous	58%	75%
Human 2	positive: gripping, mesmerizing, riveting, spectacular, cool, awesome, thrilling, badass, excellent, moving, exciting negative: bad, cliched, sucks, boring, stupid, slow	64%	39%

Figure 1: Baseline results for human word lists. Data: 700 positive and 700 negative reviews.



Keywords: EmoLex



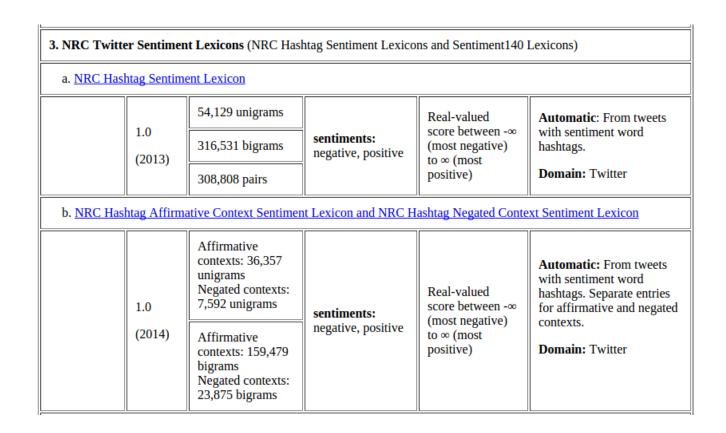
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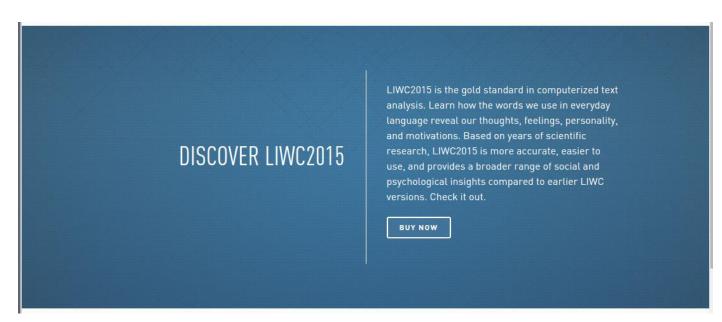
Keywords: Hashtag sentiment lexicon



Keywords: LIWC

- Linguistic Inquiry and Word Count
 - Similar to General Inquirer
- Counts words belonging to categories including positive and negative

http://liwc.wpengine.com/



Keywords: WordNet

WordNet Search - 3.1
- WordNet home page - Glossary - Help

Word to search for:

Search WordNet

Display Options: (Select option to change)
Change

We know what this is:

- Nouns, verbs and adjectives are grouped into synsets
- Not specifically sentiment oriented but has been used to derive sentiment related information (Hu & Liu, 2004)
- https://wordnet.princeton.edu/

Keywords: SentiWordNet

- A lexical resource for opinion mining
 - assigns three probability like scores to each WordNet synset for
 - objectivity, positivity and negativity
 - scores are based on an estimation algorithm (not manual)
 - powerful resource for estimating the sentiment of individual words
 - needs linguistic processing of source text to match words to synsets

http://sentiwordnet.isti.cnr.it/



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SentiWordNet: A Publicly Available Lexical Resource for Opinion Mining
SentiWordNet 3.0: An Enhanced Lexical Resource for Sentiment Analysis and Opinion Minin

How to obtain SentiWordNet

The current "official" version of SentiWordNet is 3.0, which is based on WordNet 3.0.

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Click here to download SentiWordnet 3.0

micro-WordNet-Opinion 3.0

<u>micro-WordNet-Opinion 3.0</u> is the automatic mapping of the <u>micro-WordNet-Opinion corpus</u> to WordNet 3.0.

SentiWordNet has been used in...

Check Google for a list of the papers that use SentiWordNet 3.0

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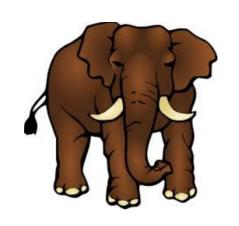
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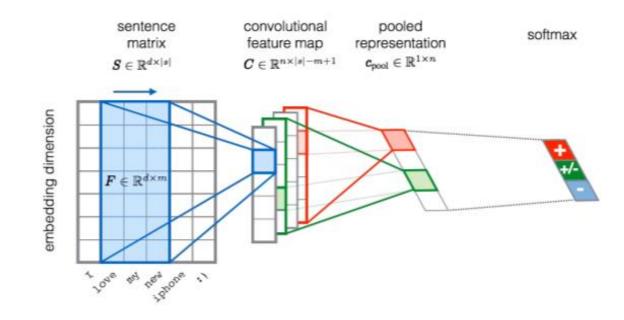




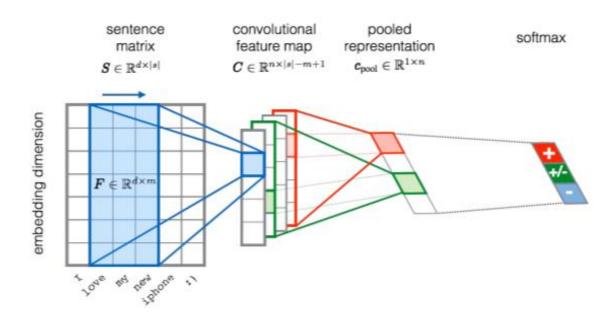
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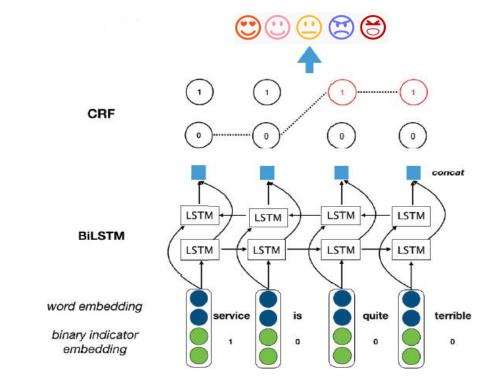


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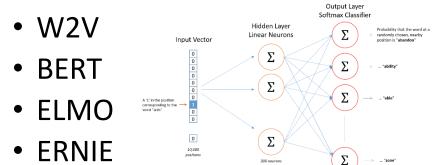


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 - bi-LSTM+CRF





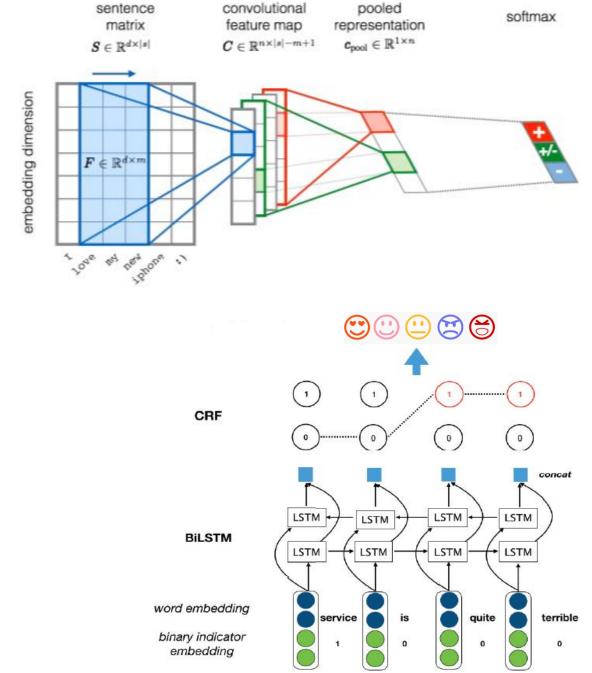
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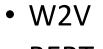








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- BERT
- ELMO



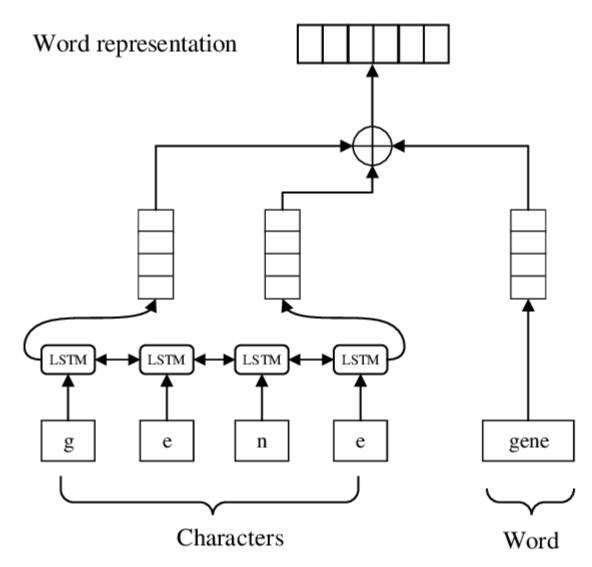






Output Layer

Hidden Layer



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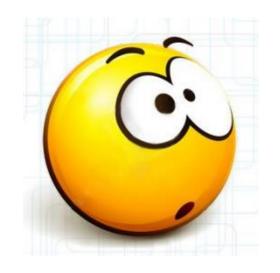


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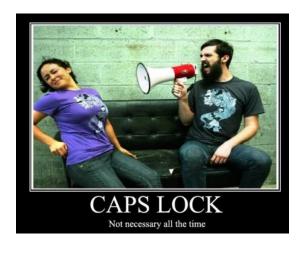


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Losing structural knowledge



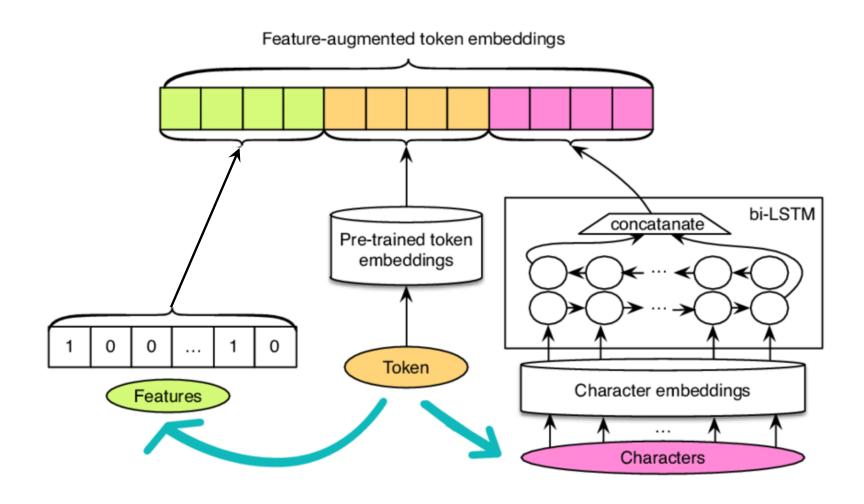






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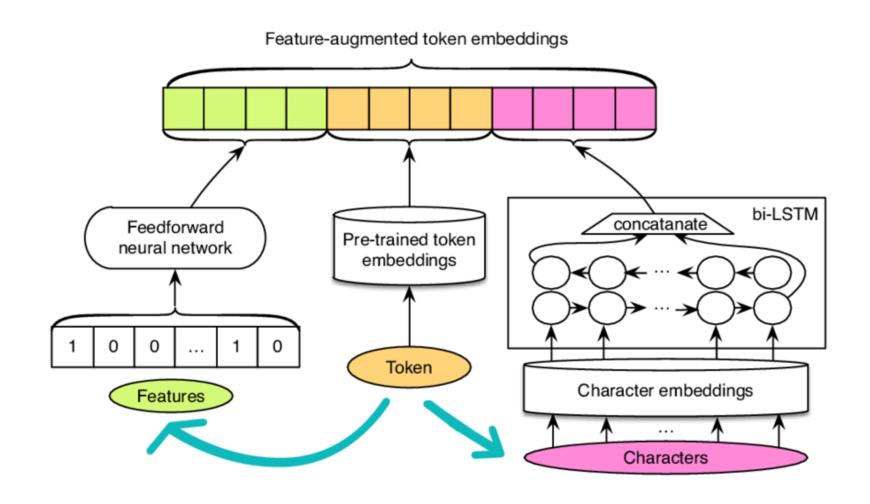






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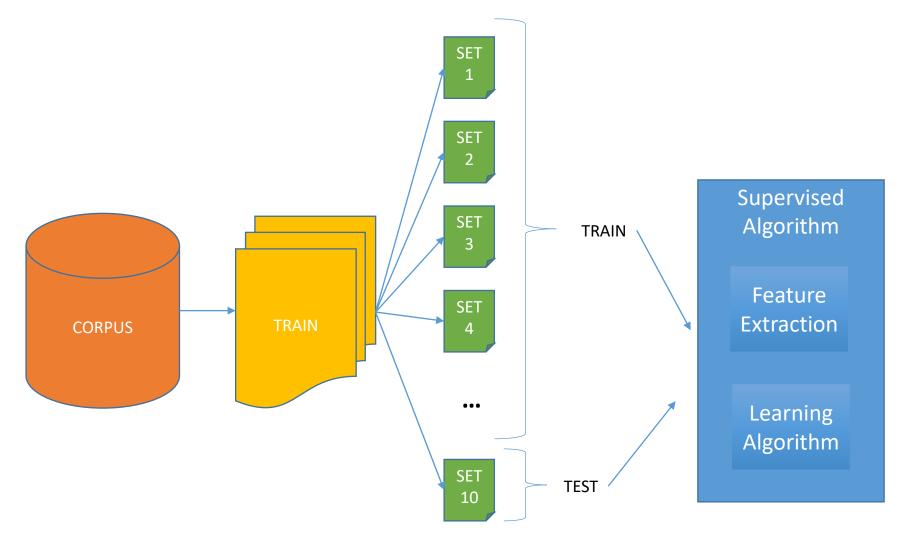




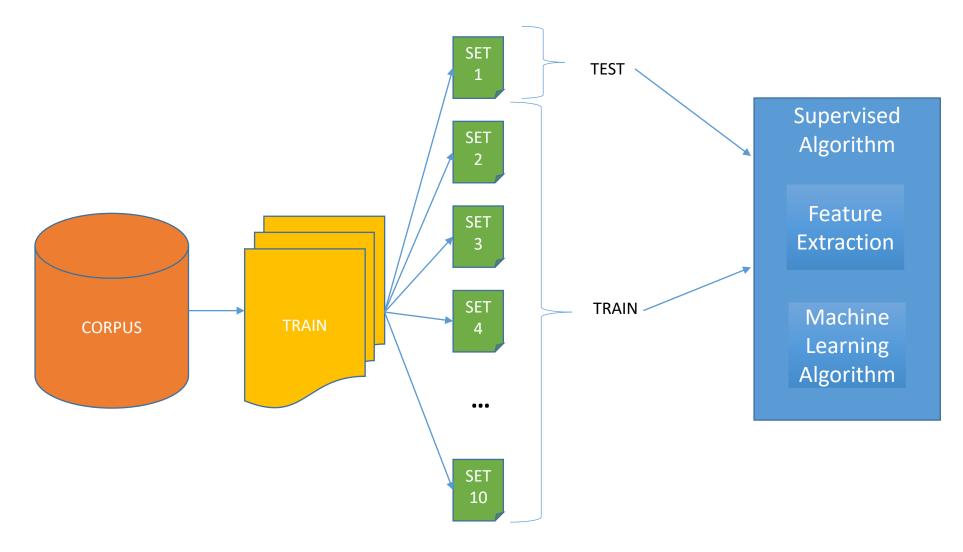
Questions, concerns, queries?

Evaluation methodologies

10 Fold Cross Validation Evaluation Methodology

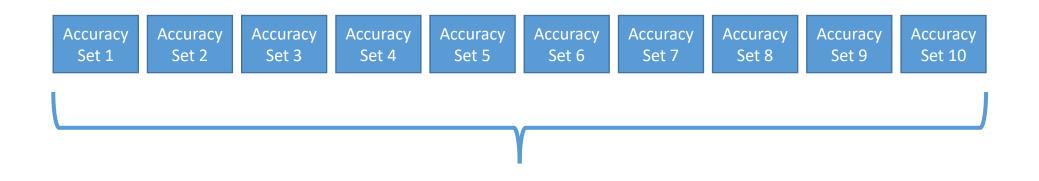


10 Fold Cross Validation Evaluation Methodology



Cycle Through

- Each file is used as a test once and only once
 - With the remaining used as train



AVERAGE ACCURACY

Evaluation Metrics

- Accuracy
- Precision
- Recall
- F-measure

Accuracy

statistical measure of how well the classification went

• $accuracy = \frac{number\ correctly\ tagged\ words}{total\ number\ of\ words}$

precision, recall and f-measure

- Precision
 - How accurate the system was at labeling the instances it labeled
- Recall
 - How well the system identified all the instances it was suppose to
- Fmeasure
 - The harmonic mean between the two

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$$precision = \frac{tp}{tp+fp}$$

•
$$recall = \frac{tp}{tp+fn}$$

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$$fmeasure = 2 * \frac{precision * recall}{precision + recall}$$

- tp = true positive
- fp = false positive
- fn = false negative
- fp = false positive

Datasets for semantic analysis learning

Pang & Lee datasets

- Movie review polarity datasets
- Sentiment scale datasets
- Subjectivity datasets

Subjectivity datasets

- <u>subjectivity dataset v1.0</u> (508K) (includes <u>subjectivity README v1.0</u>): 5000 subjective and 5000 objective processed sentences. Introduced in Pang/Lee ACL 2004. Released June 2004.
- Pool of unprocessed source documents (9.3Mb) from which the sentences in the subjectivity dataset v1.0 were extracted. Note: On April 2, 2012, we replaced
 the original gzipped tarball with one in which the subjective files are now in the correct directory (so that the subjectivity directory is no longer empty; the
 subjective files were mistakenly placed in the wrong directory, although distinguishable by their different naming scheme).
- http://www.cs.cornell.edu/people/pabo/movie-review-data/

Movie Review Data

This page is a distribution site for movie-review data for use in sentiment-analysis experiments. Available are collections of movie-review documents labeled with respect to their overall sentiment polarity (positive or negative) or subjective rating (e.g., "two and a half stars") and sentences labeled with respect to their subjectivity status (subjective or objective) or polarity. These data sets were introduced in the following papers:

- Bo Pang, Lillian Lee, and Shivakumar Vaithyanathan, <u>Thumbs up? Sentiment Classification using Machine Learning Techniques</u>, <u>Proceedings of EMNLP</u> 2002.
- Bo Pang and Lillian Lee, A Sentimental Education: Sentiment Analysis Using Subjectivity Summarization Based on Minimum Cuts, Proceedings of ACL 2004.
- Bo Pang and Lillian Lee, Seeing stars: Exploiting class relationships for sentiment categorization with respect to rating scales, Proceedings of ACL 2005.

If you have results to report on these corpora, please send email to <u>Bo Pang</u> and/or <u>Lillian Lee</u> so we can add you to our <u>list of other papers using this data.</u> Thanks! Rationale: we're (admittedly haphazardly and only occasionally) maintaining that <u>list for the purposes of facilitating comparison of results.</u>

Sentiment polarity datasets

- polarity dataset v2.0 (3.0Mb) (includes <u>README v2.0</u>): 1000 positive and 1000 negative processed reviews. Introduced in Pang/Lee ACL 2004. Released June 2004.
- Pool of 27886 unprocessed html files (81.1Mb) from which the polarity dataset v2.0 was derived. (This file is identical to movie.zip from data release v1.0.)
- sentence polarity dataset v1.0 (includes sentence polarity dataset README v1.0: 5331 positive and 5331 negative processed sentences / snippets. Introduced in Pang/Lee ACL 2005. Released July 2005.
- archive:
 - polarity dataset v1.0 (2.8Mb) (includes README): 700 positive and 700 negative processed reviews. Released July 2002.
 - polarity dataset v1.1 (2.2Mb) (includes <u>README.1.1</u>): approximately 700 positive and 700 negative processed reviews. Released November 2002. This
 alternative version was created by <u>Nathan Treloar</u>, who removed a few non-English/incomplete reviews and changing some of the labels (judging some
 polarities to be different from the original author's rating). The complete list of changes made to v1.1 can be found in <u>diff.txt</u>.
 - polarity dataset v0.9 (2.8Mb) (includes a README).. 700 positive and 700 negative processed reviews. Introduced in Pang/Lee/Vaithyanathan EMNLP 2002. Released July 2002. Please read the "Rating Information WARNING" section of the README.
 - movie.zip (81.1Mb): all html files we collected from the IMDb archive.

Blitzer et al Multi-domain sentiment dataset

- Reviews from amazon.com from any product types
- Includes the star ratings
- Divided into positive and negative ratings

Multi-Domain Sentiment Dataset (version 2.0)

This sentiment dataset supersedes the previous data (still available here).

Link to download the data:

[unprocessed.tar.gz] (1.5 G) [processed_acl.tar.gz] (19 M) [processed_stars.tar.gz] (33 M)

This sentiment dataset has been used in several papers:

John Blitzer, Mark Dredze, Fernando Pereira. Biographies, Bollywood, Boom-boxes and Blenders: Domain Adaptation for Sentiment Classification. Association of Computational Linguistics (ACL), 2007. [PDF]

John Blitzer, Koby Crammer, Alex Kulesza, Fernando Pereira, and Jenn Wortman. Learning Bounds for Domain Adaptation. Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), 2008. [PDF]

Mark Dredze, Koby Crammer, and Fernando Pereira. Confidence-Weighted Linear Classification. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2008. [PDF]

Yishay Mansour, Mehryar Mohri, and Afshin Rostamizadeh. Domain Adaptation with Multiple Sources. Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), 2009.

http://www.cs.jhu.edu/~mdredze/datasets/sentiment/

MPQA Opinion Corpus

Multi-perspective Question Answering (Stoyanov et al 2005)

- News articles and other text documents are manually annotated for opinions and other private states
 - ie beliefs, emotions, sentiments, speculations
- 692 documents (15,802 sentences)

http://mpqa.cs.pitt.edu/

MPQA Opinion Corpus

The MPQA Opinion Corpus contains news articles from a wide variety of news sources manually annotated for opinions and other private states (i.e., beliefs, emotions, sentiments, speculations, etc.). To download the MPQA Opinion Corpus click here.

For sample documents and instructions for MPQA annotation in GATE, click here. Updated July 2011.

To learn more about the subjectivity and sentiment research that produced MPQA, please refer to the following publications:

Janyce Wiebe, Theresa Wilson, and Claire Cardie (2005). <u>Annotating expressions of opinions and emotions in language</u>. *Language Resources and Evaluation, volume 39, issue 2-3, pp. 165-210.*

Theresa Wilson (2008). Fine-Grained Subjectivity Analysis. PhD Dissertation, Intelligent Systems Program, University of Pittsburgh.

Additional Training/explanatory materials coming soon.

Thomas, Pang and Lee, 2006

- Congressional speech data
 - transcripts of floor debates on policy
- http://www.cs.cornell.edu/home/llee/data/convote.html

Congressional speech data

This page is a distribution site for a congressional-speech corpus and related extracted information. This data includes speeches as individual documents, together with:

- automatically-derived labels for whether the speaker supported or opposed the legislation discussed in the debate the speech appears in, allowing for experiments with this kind of sentiment analysis
 - We also maintain and distribute another corpus of data suitable for work in sentiment analysis, the Cornell movie-review data set.
- · indications of which "debate" each speech comes from, allowing for consideration of conversational structure
- indications of by-name references between speakers, and the scores that our agreement/disagreement classifier(s) automatically assigned to such references, allowing for experiments on agreement classification if one assigns "true" labels from the support/oppose labels assigned to the pair of speakers in question
- the edge weights and other information we derived to create the graphs we used for our experiments upon this data, facilitating implementation of alternative graph-based methods upon the graphs we constructed

If you have used this data, we would appreciate hearing about it (<u>Lillian Lee</u> is our designated contact person); a list of those papers we know about can be found below.

Sentiment analysis on twitter

SemEval-2017 Task 4: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter

Sara Rosenthal, Noura Farra, Preslav Nakov

Abstract

This paper describes the fifth year of the Sentiment Analysis in Twitter task. SemEval-2017 Task 4 continues with a rerun of the subtasks of SemEval-2016 Task 4, which include identifying the overall sentiment of the tweet, sentiment towards a topic with classification on a two-point and on a five-point ordinal scale, and quantification of the distribution of sentiment towards a topic across a number of tweets: again on a two-point and on a five-point ordinal scale. Compared to 2016, we made two changes: (i) we introduced a new language, Arabic, for all subtasks, and (ii) we made available information from the profiles of the Twitter users who posted the target tweets. The task continues to be very popular, with a total of 48 teams participating this year.

Creating sentiment-oriented datasets

- Self-annotated data
 - data has built in ordinal or binary labeling of some kind to complement the natural language text – ideally by the author of the text
 - Examples
 - amazon reviews
 - pitchfork.com record reviews
- Hand-annotated data
 - annotated independently
 - labour intensive

Inter-annotator agreement

- Hand annotated sentiment data can very in reliability
- Inter-annotator agreement is the degree to which multiple human annotators arrive at the same annotations when confronted with the same natural language text
- Represents a theoretical upper bound for the classification
- Cohen's kappa
 - measure of agreement between two raters
 - pairwise average for multiple

To sum up

• Sentiment analysis is a difficult task

 The difficulty increases with the nuance and complexity of opinions being expressed

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Notes:

- Go to the programming assignment on blackboard
- Show the data