Final Project Report Presentation on Message Classification for Twitter Data



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Abstract

Every day millions of twitter user tweets their views on various topics using short messages of 140 characters length. Tweet classification is a process of classifying the tweets based on the topics using the keywords of the tweets as feature. This work is going to classify the tweets into six broad categories using deep neural network. The categories are Sports, Politics, Entertainment, Education, Technology and Business. Supervised learning techniques is used to classify the messages. The input to this programme is natural language text and this application will give the best possible class about the messages.

Introduction

- Twitter is a microblogging site where users express views
- Each short message which is also called tweet has at most 140 character
- Everyday millions of tweets are generated
- These data creates huge amount of information
- Opens new avenues of research work which have both academic as well as business importance
- Twitter message classification and twitter message sentiment analysis are the two important area of research

Related Studies

- Twitter message classification is a hot topic in academia.
- A new tweet classification Method that makes use of tweet features like URL's in the tweet, retweeted tweets and influential users tweet is proposed by Dr. A. Suruliandi et. al.
- Their proposed method made use of tweet features URL's in the tweets, Retweeted tweets and tweets from the most influential user of a trend topic as features for the tweet classification.
- If the tweet contains URL then the web page of that URL is categorized accordingly. Then the tweet is categorized in to the same category.
- If the tweet contains Trend topics, then words from top five retweeted tweets of that trend and top five tweets of the influential are collected and the collected word is classified using conventional text classifiers.
- If the tweet doesn't have URL or trend topic, then a conventional text classifier is used to classify the tweet.

Related Studies (contd.)

- Another work on Twitter Trending Topic Classification is done by Ramanathan Narayanan et al.
- They experimented with 2 approaches for topic classification; (i) the well-known Bag-of-Words approach for text classification and (ii) network-based classification.
- In text-based classification method, they construct word vectors with trending topic definition and tweets, and the commonly used tf-idf weights are used to classify the topics using a Naive Bayes Multinomial classifier.
- In network-based classification method, they identified top 5 similar topics for a given topic based on the number of common influential users.
- The categories of the similar topics and the number of common influential users between the given topic and its similar topics are used to classify the given topic using a C5.0 decision tree learner.

Related Studies (contd.)

- Twitter News Classification Using SVM is done by Inoshika Dilrukshi, et al.
- The purpose of this research is to classify news into different groups so that the user could identify the most popular news group in a given country for a given time.
- The short messages were extracted from Twitter micro blog. Several active news groups were chosen to extract the short messages. Each short message was classified manually into 12 groups. These classified data were used to train the machine learning techniques.
- Words of each short message was considered as features and a feature vector was created using bag-of-words approach in order to create the instances.
- The data were trained using SVM (Support Vector Machine) machine learning techniques.

Resources

Data Resources

The data were collected manually from different topics in www.twitter.com

Tools

- We have done this work in Python Programming language. We have used PyCharm IDE (Community Edition)
- Keras have been used for Training the Neural network
- For Result analysis and report we have used Microsoft Office Packages

Work Done

Data Set

Description of the Data:

The Data that are used were collected manually from six different fields which are Sports, Business, Technology, Entertainment, Politics and Education. Below is the table showing distribution of messages.

| Topics(Class) | No. of tweets |
|---------------|---------------|
| Sports | 303 |
| Entertainment | 204 |
| Business | 230 |
| Politics | 206 |
| Education | 152 |
| Technology | 167 |

Table 1 :Diversity of tweet data set

Work Done (Contd.)

Pre-processing of Data

- The following pre-processing steps were done
- Removal of Punctuation and Stop words
- Remove the words containing '#', '@' and 'http' or 'https' which means the trending topics, user name and URL are removed from tweets
- Numerical character and special character are removed from the tweets
- Each word of the tweets are lemmatized

Work Done (Contd.)

Data Representation

- We have used bag-of-word technique for data representation.
- The bag-of-words model is a simplifying representation used in natural language processing.
- In this model, a text (such as a sentence or a document) is represented as the bag (multi-set) of its words, disregarding grammar and even word order but keeping multiplicity

Final Architecture

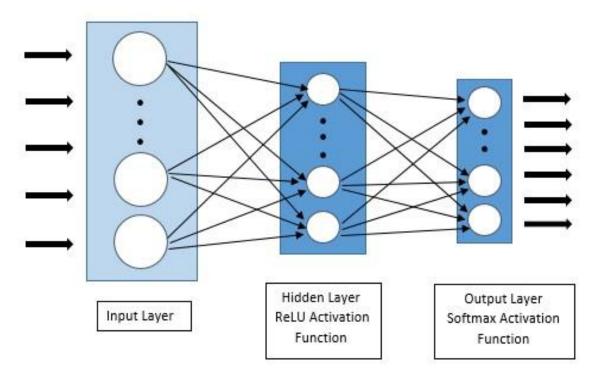


Figure 1: Neural Network Architecture

Final Architecture (Contd.)

- For training we have used a network topology of simple one-layer neural network.
- We have used Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) as activation function.
- In the output layer we have used Softmax activation function for the probabilistic approximation of the output.
- Batch size that we have used is 32 and number of epoch is 10.
- Detailed Code can be found at https://github.com/imprasshant/Twitter-Message-Classification

Final Architecture (Contd.)

```
print 'Bulding the model'
input dimention = tweets train.shape[1]
print input_dimention
model = Sequential()
model.add(Dense(256, input dim=input dimention,activation='relu'))
model.add(Dropout(0.4))
model.add(Dense(number_of_classes,activation='softmax'))
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer='rmsprop', metrics=['accuracy'])
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Figure 2: Neural Network Modelling

Results and Observation

Accuracy Plot for different Training and Validation sets data division 84 82 80 78 76 74 72 70 50:50 60:40 70:30 80:20 90:10 Training Set: Validation Set

Figure 3: Accuracy Plot for different Training and Validation sets data division

Results and Observation (Contd.)

- From this experiment we have achieved almost 80% accuracy with 70:30 Training and validation dataset ratio
- It is also observed that if we increase the size of training dataset then the accuracy is increasing

Future Work

- In this work we have used small data set for training as well testing
- Future work in this project include usage of larger data set for training and validation
- Exploration of other neural network like RNN, CNN, LSTM in order to increase the accuracy
- Inclusion of more topics and sub topics

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