

# # Text Classification

Now we're at the point where we should be able to:

- \* Read in a collection of documents - a \*bbc corpus\*
- \* Transform text into numerical vector data using a pipeline
- \* Create a classifier
- \* Fit/train the classifier
- \* Test the classifier on new data
- \* Evaluate performance

## Perform imports and load the dataset

The dataset contains the text of 2000 movie reviews. 1000 are positive, 1000 are negative, and the text has been preprocessed as a tab-delimited file.

In [1]:

```
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv('bbc-text.csv')
df.head()
```

Out[1]:

|   | category      | text  |
|---|---------------|---|
| 0 | tech          | tv future in the hands of viewers with home th... |
| 1 | business      | worldcom boss left books alone former worldc...   |
| 2 | sport         | tigers wary of farrell gamble leicester say ...   |
| 3 | sport         | yeading face newcastle in fa cup premiership s... |
| 4 | entertainment | ocean s twelve raids box office ocean s twelve... |

In [2]:

```
len(df)
```

Out[2]:

2000

In [3]:

```
from IPython.display import Markdown, display
display(Markdown('> '+df['review'][0]))
```

<IPython.core.display.Markdown object>

In [4]:

```
# Check for the existence of NaN values in a cell:  
df.isnull().sum()
```

Out[4]:

```
label      0  
review    35  
dtype: int64
```

35 records show **NaN** (this stands for "not a number" and is equivalent to *None*). These are easily removed using the `.dropna()` pandas function.

**CAUTION:** By setting `inplace=True`, we permanently affect the DataFrame currently in memory, and this can't be undone. However, it does *\*not\** affect the original source data. If we needed to, we could always load the original DataFrame from scratch.

In [5]:

```
df.dropna(inplace=True)  
  
len(df)
```

Out[5]:

```
1965
```

## Detect & remove empty strings

Technically, we're dealing with "whitespace only" strings. If the original .tsv file had contained empty strings, pandas `.read_csv()` would have assigned NaN values to those cells by default.

In order to detect these strings we need to iterate over each row in the DataFrame. The `.itertuples()` pandas method is a good tool for this as it provides access to every field. For brevity we'll assign the names `i`, `lb` and `rv` to the `index`, `label` and `review` columns.

In [6]:

```
blanks = [] # start with an empty list  
  
for i,lb,rv in df.itertuples(): # iterate over the DataFrame  
    if type(rv)==str: # avoid NaN values  
        if rv.isspace(): # test 'review' for whitespace  
            blanks.append(i) # add matching index numbers to the list  
  
print(len(blanks), 'blanks: ', blanks)
```

```
27 blanks: [57, 71, 147, 151, 283, 307, 313, 323, 343, 351, 427, 501, 63  
3, 675, 815, 851, 977, 1079, 1299, 1455, 1493, 1525, 1531, 1763, 1851, 19  
05, 1993]
```

Next we'll pass our list of index numbers to the `.drop()` method, and set `inplace=True` to make the change permanent.

In [7]:

```
df.drop(blanks, inplace=True)  
len(df)
```

Out[7]:

1938

Great! We dropped 62 records from the original 2000. Let's continue with the analysis.

## ## Take a quick look at the `category` column:

In [2]:

```
df.columns
```

Out[2]:

```
Index(['category', 'text'], dtype='object')
```

In [3]:

```
df['category'].value_counts()
```

Out[3]:

```
sport          511  
business       510  
politics       417  
tech            401  
entertainment   386  
Name: category, dtype: int64
```

## Split the data into train & test sets:

In [9]:

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split  
  
X = df['review']  
y = df['label']  
  
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.33, random_state=42)
```

## Build pipelines to vectorize the data, then train and fit a

## model

Now that we have sets to train and test, we'll develop a selection of pipelines, each with a different model.

In [10]:

```
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC

# Naïve Bayes:
text_clf_nb = Pipeline([('tfidf', TfidfVectorizer()),
                        ('clf', MultinomialNB()),
])
# Linear SVC:
text_clf_lsvc = Pipeline([('tfidf', TfidfVectorizer()),
                          ('clf', LinearSVC()),
])

```

## Feed the training data through the first pipeline

We'll run naïve Bayes first

In [11]:

```
text_clf_nb.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

Out[11]:

```
Pipeline(memory=None,
         steps=[('tfidf', TfidfVectorizer(analyzer='word', binary=False, decode_error='strict',
                                         dtype=<class 'numpy.float64'>, encoding='utf-8', input='content',
                                         lowercase=True, max_df=1.0, max_features=None, min_df=1,
                                         ngram_range=(1, 1), norm='l2', preprocessor=None, smooth_idf=True,
                                         ...rue,
                                         vocabulary=None)), ('clf', MultinomialNB(alpha=1.0, class_prior=None,
                                         fit_prior=True))])
```

## Run predictions and analyze the results (naïve Bayes)

In [12]:

```
# Form a prediction set
predictions = text_clf_nb.predict(X_test)
```

In [13]:

```
# Report the confusion matrix
from sklearn import metrics
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions))
```

```
[[287 21]
 [130 202]]
```

In [14]:

```
# Print a classification report
print(metrics.classification_report(y_test,predictions))
```

|              | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| neg          | 0.69      | 0.93   | 0.79     | 308     |
| pos          | 0.91      | 0.61   | 0.73     | 332     |
| micro avg    | 0.76      | 0.76   | 0.76     | 640     |
| macro avg    | 0.80      | 0.77   | 0.76     | 640     |
| weighted avg | 0.80      | 0.76   | 0.76     | 640     |

In [15]:

```
# Print the overall accuracy
print(metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,predictions))
```

0.7640625

Naïve Bayes gave us better-than-average results at 76.4% for classifying reviews as positive or negative based on text alone. Let's see if we can do better.

## Feed the training data through the second pipeline

Next we'll run Linear SVC

In [16]:

```
text_clf_lsvc.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

Out[16]:

```
Pipeline(memory=None,
      steps=[('tfidf', TfidfVectorizer(analyzer='word', binary=False, decode_error='strict',
          dtype=<class 'numpy.float64'>, encoding='utf-8', input='content',
          lowercase=True, max_df=1.0, max_features=None, min_df=1,
          ngram_range=(1, 1), norm='l2', preprocessor=None, smooth_idf=True,...ax_iter=1000,
          multi_class='ovr', penalty='l2', random_state=None, tol=0.0001,
          verbose=0))])
```

## Run predictions and analyze the results (Linear SVC)

In [17]:

```
# Form a prediction set
predictions = text_clf_lsvc.predict(X_test)
```

In [18]:

```
# Report the confusion matrix
from sklearn import metrics
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions))
```

```
[[259  49]
 [ 49 283]]
```

In [19]:

```
# Print a classification report
print(metrics.classification_report(y_test,predictions))
```

|              | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| neg          | 0.84      | 0.84   | 0.84     | 308     |
| pos          | 0.85      | 0.85   | 0.85     | 332     |
| micro avg    | 0.85      | 0.85   | 0.85     | 640     |
| macro avg    | 0.85      | 0.85   | 0.85     | 640     |
| weighted avg | 0.85      | 0.85   | 0.85     | 640     |

In [20]:

```
# Print the overall accuracy
print(metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,predictions))
```

0.846875

Now let's repeat the process above and see if the removal of stopwords improves or impairs our score.

In [23]:

```
predictions = text_clf_lsvc2.predict(X_test)
print(metrics.confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions))
```

```
[[256  52]
 [ 48 284]]
```

In [24]:

```
print(metrics.classification_report(y_test,predictions))
```

|              | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| neg          | 0.84      | 0.83   | 0.84     | 308     |
| pos          | 0.85      | 0.86   | 0.85     | 332     |
| micro avg    | 0.84      | 0.84   | 0.84     | 640     |
| macro avg    | 0.84      | 0.84   | 0.84     | 640     |
| weighted avg | 0.84      | 0.84   | 0.84     | 640     |

In [25]:

```
print(metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,predictions))
```

0.84375

In [28]:

```
print(text_clf_lsvc.predict([myreview]))
```

['neg']