FAKE REVIEWS



Introduction

Text mining enables researchers to turn paragraphs of text into meaningful data by extracting individual words. Unlike many other models, text mining isn't a singular method that can be applied to data. Rather, it is a collection of many different methods — including sentiment analysis, topic modeling, and lie detection — of transforming blocks of text into data that can be processed, classified, and analyzed. As such, there are many different libraries that can help achieve this textual information retrieval. The input is any block of text, while the output is some variation of record data, often in the form of a term document matrix.

Analysis & Models

I. EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS

Before any true data-tuning, the data was run through the most baseline text-mining program the author created during her first foray into text-mining. (She likes to create as many reusable code blocks as possible for her future self to use. This is useful about 2% of the time. This is one of those 2% times)

```
library(tm)
library(wordcloud)
file <- "your-file-here"
fileData <- readLines(file)
words.vec <- VectorSource(fileData)
words.corpus <- Corpus(words.vec)
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, content_transformer(tolower))
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removePunctuation)
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeNumbers)
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeWords, stopwords("english"))
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(words.corpus)
m <- as.matrix(tdm)
wordCounts <- rowSums(m)
wordCounts <- sort(wordCounts, decreasing=TRUE)
wordcloud(names(wordCounts), wordCounts)</pre>
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This produced these most frequent words and this illegible word cloud

head(wordCou	nts_nostopw	ords)		2- 2		23
the	and	was	food restaurant		for	
426	240	143	80	74	73	

```
gredients always however southern waitress cooked always however southern waitress cooked sold believe rating a look softwaters clean waitress cooked half rudely cream attentive see night to cook half rudely cream attentive see night wasn't pay beer sold by the cook half rudely cream attentive see night wasn't pay beer sold by the cook half rudely cream attentive see night always however postat try as a short pay beer sold by the cook half rudely cream attentive see night wasn't pay beer sold by the cook half rudely cream attentive see night and postat try always the cook postat try and postat try always the cook postat try and the cook postat try always the cook postat try always the cook postat try always try a
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Then punctuation and stop words were removed. The result is the colorful word cloud below.



food res	taurant	place	went	best	good
80	74	43	34	31	29

```
> findAssocs(tdm, "food", 0.4)
$food
everyday kadhai paneer whenever dal seemed
    0.47    0.47    0.47    0.44    0.41
```

After that, the researcher got down to business and buckled into her office chair, which is what the reader should do now because it's about to get lit like a 3.4 star romantic dinner.

The file data was read in and all of the excess columns were combined into one giant column. The file now had three columns: sentiment, lie, review. The reviews were turned into a corpus, but this was wrong. The reviews first needed to be turned into a vector and then into a corpus. All the words were converted to lowercase. Then punctuation was removed. Then Stopwords were removed. Stopwords are words that occur frequently and, as such, offer little help and a lot of noise.

The data was then split into lie and sentiment, and then further split into testing and training. The model was applied and got 50% accuracy! Normally, the researcher would be very concerned about this, but she squandered away any "concern" time being wayyy to excited about her final project.

Results

```
fileData <- tidyr::unite(fileData, review, c("review", "X", "X.1", "X.2",</pre>
"X.3", "X.4", "X.5", "X.6", "X.7", "X.8", "X.9", "X.10", "X.11", "X.12",
"X.13", "X.14", "X.15", "X.16", "X.17", "X.18", "X.19", "X.20"))
## -----
## STEP 2: TURN DATA INTO CORPUS
## ===============
## 2i.TURN VARIABLE INTO A CORPUS "BAG OF WORDS"
## 2ia. FIRST VECTOR, THEN CORPUS
## (corpus needs a vector to make corpus)
reviews <- fileData$review
words.vec <- VectorSource(reviews)</pre>
words.corpus <- Corpus(words.vec)</pre>
words.corpus
## =============
## STEP 3: TRANSFORM DATA
## 3i. TRANSFORM ALL WORDS TO LOWERCASE
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, content_transformer(tolower))</pre>
## 3ii. REMOVE PUNCTUATION
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removePunctuation)</pre>
## 3iii. REMOVE NUMBERS
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeNumbers)</pre>
## 3iv. REMOVE STOPWORDS
words.corpus <- tm_map(words.corpus, removeWords, stopwords("english"))</pre>
## STEP 4: CREATE TERM-DOCUMENT MATRIX
## ==============
## WHAT IS A TERM? TERM = DIFFERENT WORD
tdm <- TermDocumentMatrix(words.corpus)</pre>
tdmOG <- TermDocumentMatrix(words.corpus)</pre>
## STEP 5:VIEW WORD CLOUD & SEE FREQ
## FOR TDM
m <- as.matrix(tdm)</pre>
wordCounts <- rowSums(m)</pre>
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```
wordCounts <- sort(wordCounts, decreasing=TRUE)</pre>
head(wordCounts)
wordcloud(names(wordCounts), wordCounts)
wordcloud(names(wordCounts), wordCounts, min.freq=2, max.words=50,
rot.per=0.35, colors=brewer.pal(8, "Dark2"))
findAssocs(tdm, "food", 0.4)
## =============
## STEP 6: Create DTM
## Create DTM
dtm_reviews <- t(tdmOG)</pre>
matrix_reviews <- as.matrix(dtm_reviews)</pre>
df_reviews <- tidy(matrix_reviews)</pre>
df_reviews_normalized <- data.frame(t(apply(df_reviews, 1, function(i))</pre>
i/sum(i))))
## NON NORMALIZED TEST AND TRAIN
## TURN BACK INTO A MATRIX
lie <- fileData$lie</pre>
sentiment <- fileData$sentiment</pre>
alldata <-cbind(lie, sentiment, df reviews)</pre>
alldata <- alldata[-c(83:84),]</pre>
alldata_lie_true_sentiment_positive <- subset(alldata, lie == 't' &
sentiment =='p')
alldata_lie_true_sentiment_negative <- subset(alldata, lie == 't' &
sentiment =='n')
alldata_lie_false_sentiment_positive <- subset(alldata, lie == 'f' &
sentiment =='p')
alldata_lie_false_sentiment_negative <- subset(alldata, lie == 'f' &
sentiment =='n')
## Ali's amaze functions!!
#Creating a function to create a training df
my_sample_fun <- function(df, n) {</pre>
  sample(nrow(df), n)
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}
#Creating a function to create a training df
my_train_set <- function(df, vector) {</pre>
  df[vector,]
#Creating a function to create a testing df
my test_set <- function(df, vector, n) {</pre>
  df <- df[-vector,]</pre>
  df[sample(nrow(df), n),]
}
sample_lie_true_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my_sample_fun(alldata_lie_true_sentiment_positive, 15)
train_lie_true_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my_train_set(alldata_lie_true_sentiment_positive,
sample_lie_true_sentiment_positive)
test_lie_true_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my test set(alldata lie true sentiment positive,
sample_lie_true_sentiment_positive, 6)
sample lie true sentiment negative <-
my_sample_fun(alldata_lie_true_sentiment_negative, 15)
train_lie_true_sentiment_negative <-</pre>
my_train_set(alldata_lie_true_sentiment_negative,
sample lie true sentiment negative)
test_lie_true_sentiment_negative <-</pre>
my_test_set(alldata_lie_true_sentiment_negative,
sample lie true sentiment negative, 6)
sample_lie_false_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my_sample_fun(alldata_lie_false_sentiment_positive, 15)
train_lie_false_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my_train_set(alldata_lie_false_sentiment_positive,
sample_lie_false_sentiment_positive)
test_lie_false_sentiment_positive <-</pre>
my_test_set(alldata_lie_false_sentiment_positive,
sample_lie_false_sentiment_positive, 6)
sample_lie_false_sentiment_negative <-</pre>
my sample fun(alldata lie false sentiment negative, 15)
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train lie false sentiment negative <-
my_train_set(alldata_lie_false_sentiment_negative,
sample_lie_false_sentiment_negative)
test lie false sentiment negative <-
my test set(alldata lie false sentiment negative,
sample_lie_false_sentiment_negative, 6)
## RUN MODELS: Naive Bayes
library(e1071)
train_set <- rbind(train_lie_true_sentiment_positive,</pre>
train_lie_true_sentiment_negative, train_lie_false_sentiment_positive,
train_lie_false_sentiment_negative)
test_set <- rbind(test_lie_true_sentiment_positive,</pre>
test_lie_true_sentiment_negative, test_lie_false_sentiment_positive,
test_lie_false_sentiment_negative)
train_set_lie <- train_set[,!colnames(train_set) %in% c('sentiment')]</pre>
test_set_lie <- test_set[,!colnames(test_set) %in% c('sentiment')]</pre>
train_set_sentiment <- train_set[,!colnames(train_set) %in% c('lie')]</pre>
test_set_sentiment <- test_set[,!colnames(test_set) %in% c('lie')]</pre>
## LIE
##**************
train set <- train set lie
test_set <- test_set_lie
test label <- c('lie')</pre>
test_set_no_label <- test_set[,!colnames(test_set) %in% test_label]</pre>
NB_e1071<-naiveBayes(lie~., data=train_set, na.action = na.pass)</pre>
NB_e1071_Pred <- predict(NB_e1071, test_set_no_label)</pre>
(pred_table <- table(NB_e1071_Pred,test_set$lie))</pre>
correct <- sum(diag(pred_table))</pre>
(accuracy <- correct/sum(pred_table))</pre>
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## SENTIMENT
##***************************

train_set <- train_set_sentiment

test_label <- c('sentiment')

test_set_no_label <- test_set[,!colnames(test_set) %in% test_label]

test_sentiment_lie_label <- test_set[,colnames(test_set) %in% test_label]

NB_e1071<-naiveBayes(sentiment~., data=train_set, na.action = na.pass)

NB_e1071_Pred <- predict(NB_e1071, test_set_no_label)

(pred_table <- table(NB_e1071_Pred,test_set$sentiment))

correct <- sum(diag(pred_table))

(accuracy <- correct/sum(pred_table))</pre>
```

Conclusion

The researchers had grand plans regarding text mining and sentiment analysis. Their ultimate goal with this dataset was to determine whether reviews were falsified or not. Sentiment analysis was applied for color. They can predict with 50% accuracy, the same accuracy as a coin(!) whether the review is true or false, positive or negative. This is depressing and again the researchers find themselves wishing for the ability to bend space as well as the ability to mine text. They are also hoping Dr. Gates hasn't gotten this far because a new paper has made its way into her hands. If she is here, please know this is a reflection of (1) having a huge work project in addition to school projects (2) over committing to our project!! Regardless, I learned so much. Thank you!!