

Natural Language Processing (NLP)

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Natural Language Processing (NLP)

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Summarization [1, 2]

- Can be Comprehensive (semantic oriented) or Extractive (shallow processing)
- Extractive is based on the selection of the most prominent sentences to convey the meaning. It is based on:
 - Weight of words (TF-IDF, TF-ISF, TF-RIDF)
 - Sentence Location (Baxentale, News Articles)
 - Title Words
- See also my previous lecture “Extractive summarization”, June 2017, Belgrade

<https://users.uniwa.gr/nnk/InternationalLectures/Extractive%20summarization%20June%202017.pdf>

Text Summarization Applications

- **News Organizations:** Automatic generation of brief news article summaries for quick comprehension.
- **Researchers:** Condensing academic papers for rapid identification of key findings.
- **Content Aggregation Platforms and Websites:** Creating digests aiding user article selection based on interests.
- **Finance Sector:** Summarizing financial reports for swift evaluation by investors and analysts.
- **Healthcare Professionals:** Summarizing medical conversations, records, and research papers for streamlined tasks.
- **Social Media Insights:** Summarizing discussions and reviews for understanding public sentiment and reactions.
- **Market Research:** Distilling consumer feedback and reviews for prompt trend identification.
- **Educational Support:** Creating concise educational material summaries for student comprehension.

Text Classification [3]

- Assign to a documents a class label (the category that the document belongs)
- Can be based on the existence of words or phrases
- The method needs training and training data (pre-classified documents)
- It is Critical to create an Authority List of words or phrases that will be appropriate to discriminate between classes
- See also:

<https://users.uniwa.gr/nnk/InternationalLectures/Text%20classification%20based%20on%20phrases%20June%202017.pdf>

Text Classification Applications

- **Email Sorting:** Distinguishing spam from genuine emails by evaluating content and sender details.
- **E-commerce Taxonomy:** Organizing products and multi-level taxonomy trees.
- **Social Media for Sentiment Analysis:** Assessing user-generated content for sentiments - positive, negative, or neutral.
- **Personalized Recommendations:** Tailored suggestions in e-commerce platforms.
- **Healthcare Data:** Classifying medical records and patient data to enhance organization and support research.
- **Legal Document Classification:** Simplifying document management for legal firms by classifying contracts and case files.
- **Fraud Detection in Finance:** Identifying suspicious transactions and user behavior for fraud detection.

Machine Translation Applications [10]

- **Translation Services:** Text, documents, websites, and spoken language.
- **Content Creation and Marketing:** Translating content into multiple languages.
- **Government and Diplomatic Use:** Translating official documents, treaties, and diplomatic communications.
- **News Agencies:** Swiftly translating news articles to provide timely and accurate information in multiple languages.
- **E-commerce and Retail:** Translating product descriptions, reviews, and checkout processes.
- **International Business Communications:** Translating contracts, emails, and documentation for negotiations and collaborations.
- **Travel Industry Integration:** Providing multilingual information for tourists through apps and websites.
- **Customer Support:** Facilitating communication between international customers and support teams.
- **Language Learning Platforms:** Offering language courses and translation assistance to enhance language skills.

Question Answering [11] – Applications

- **Company Chatbots:** Addressing customer inquiries, providing information, and troubleshooting.
- **Voice-Activated Assistants:** assist users and execute tasks.
- **E-commerce:** Enabling proactive information seeking for informed purchasing decisions.
- **E-Learning Platforms:** Addressing student queries, providing explanations and solutions.
- **Healthcare:** Assisting healthcare professionals with clinical queries, symptoms, and generating reports.
- **Legal Sector:** Providing insights into case law, statutes, and regulations for legal research.
- **Technical Support:** Offering guidance and solutions for software and hardware queries.

Text Generation [12] – Applications

- **Revolutionizing Industries:** Automating processes across diverse sectors.
- **Content Creation:** product descriptions, ads, promotions, news articles and blogs.
- **Financial Reporting Automation:** Analyzing market data to automatically generate financial reports.
- **Educational Contribution:**
 - Facilitating e-learning by producing quizzes, study materials, and explanations.
 - Enhancing engagement and personalized learning experiences.
- **Creative Writing Support:** Contributing to narratives, short stories, and poetry.
- **Chatbot & Virtual Assistant Roles:**
 - Empowering chatbots with natural language responses for customer inquiries.
 - Assisting users in tasks, providing information, and troubleshooting issues.

Computer Assisted Assessment [4 - 6]

- Mechanically assign a grade to an answer with respect to the expected (correct) answer.
- There is a need for positive training (correct answers and textbook) data and negative training data (erroneous answers)
- Can be based on phrases

Sentiment Analysis, Opinion Mining, Subjectivity Analysis [add Ref.]

- Subjectivity Analysis
classify a given text as subjective or objective
- Sentiment Analysis or Polarity Analysis
Once a text is subjective
Assign a score Positive or Negative
- Affective Computing
Attempt to identify emotional charge
 - Happiness
 - Sadness
 - Fear
 - Anger - Passion

Sentiment Analysis Applications

- **Social Media and Customer Feedback:** Assessing sentiments to manage reputation and enhance product quality.
- **Diverse Data Sources:** Processing surveys, forms, and reviews to gauge customer satisfaction.
- **Financial Sector:** Analyzing news, reports, and social media for market sentiment.
- **Polling and Political Forecasting:** Gauging public sentiment for informed decision-making in politics.
- **Entertainment Industry:** Evaluating audience reactions to movies and TV shows.
- **Product Launches:** Assessing public sentiment to evaluate market reception.
- **Healthcare:** Understanding patient sentiment to drive improvements in patient care.
- **Social Media:** Measuring campaign effectiveness and tracking brand trends.
- **News Content Tailoring:** Assessing reader reactions to tailor preferences.
- **Customer Support Insights:** Identifying dissatisfied customers.
- **Travel Services:** Analyzing reviews to enhance services and increase bookings.

Corpus Building [7, 8]

- Dialectal lexicon building

See my previous lecture “Dialectal lexicon building: requirements and technical specifications”, Belgrade June 2017

<https://users.uniwa.gr/nnk/InternationalLectures/Dialectal%20lexicon%20building%20June%202017.pdf>

- Dialectal corpora building

See my previous lecture “Dialectal Corpora Building (for oral and written sources)”, Belgrade June 2017

<https://users.uniwa.gr/nnk/InternationalLectures/Dialectal%20Corpora%20Building%20June%202017.pdf>

Named Entity Recognition [13]

- to be expanded
- See the presentation by Cvetana Krstev, Department of Library and Information Sciences, Faculty of Philology, University of Belgrade, Serbia in the following link:

<https://users.uniwa.gr/nnk/InternationalLectures/NamedEntities.pdf>

Chatbots [9] & Virtual Assistants Applications

- **E-commerce & Online Services:** Chatbots can assist customers, provide product details, and resolve issues instantly.
- **Banking & Finance:** Virtual assistants aid with inquiries and financial guidance.
- **Travel:** Chatbots facilitate bookings, offer travel information.
- **Healthcare:** Virtual assistants provide medical information and schedule appointments.
- **Language Learning:** Virtual tutors assist in practicing languages.
- **Human Resources:** Chatbots aid with HR-related inquiries and company policies.
- **Online Retail:** Chatbots offer personalized product suggestions.
- **Business Reception:** Virtual receptionists manage calls and provide information.
- **Education:** Chatbots can assist with course-related queries and assignments.
- **News Updates:** Chatbots deliver tailored news content and updates to users.
- **Smart Home Devices:** Voice-activated assistants are used for inquiries, smart device control, and information provision.

Image Captioning Applications [add Ref.]

- **Social Media Platforms:** Use NLP to create image captions, benefiting user engagement and accessibility, particularly for the visually impaired.
- **E-commerce:** Image captioning in catalogs aids product management and improves search experiences.
- **Education:** Educational platforms use image captions to explain visual content, assisting students in understanding complex visuals.
- **Healthcare:** Image captioning assists in describing medical images, aiding in diagnostics and conveying findings among medical professionals.
- **Image Search and Retrieval:** Image captioning in search engines helps users find images by describing them in text queries.
- **Content Moderation:** Social media platforms use image captioning to identify inappropriate or harmful content, ensuring a safer online environment.
- **News Content:** News agencies utilize image captioning to enhance the accessibility of news articles for readers.

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