Low-Resource Natural Language Processing

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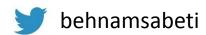
Who-am-i?

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Does all kind of NLP stuff specially on Persian





NLP @ Miras

- Our focus at Miras NLP team is on developing text processing services for Persian:
 - Document classification
 - Named entity recognition
 - Sentiment analysis
 - Emotion analysis
 - ...
- Challenge:
 - Data!

Dataset	Size (documents)
IMDB	50 K
SST	10 K
Sentiment140	160 K
Amazon Product Data	142.8 M

Problem?

- Deep learning models are data hungry
- Persian NLP community is not large
 - We do not have enough public resources
 - Funding is also limited so we can't afford building huge resources either

Get More Date Get Better Data Use Related Data Problem Modeling

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Solutions

- Self Supervision
 - Emotion Analysis
- Weak Supervision
 - Document Classification
- Transfer Learning
 - Named Entity Recognition
- Multi-Task Learning
 - Satire Detection
- Active Learning
 - Sentiment Analysis

Modeling

Self Supervision

- Straight forward (document, label) modeling is not always your best choice.
- Model your problem in an easy-to-acquire-label setting:
 - Self-supervision
 - Labels are already in your data:
 - Language modeling
 - Word embedding
 - Emotion Analysis

Modeling

Case Study: Emotion Analysis

- Emoji is a good indicator of emotion
- Instead of manually label your data use emoji
- Your dataset needs no hand-labeling effort!

Emoji Prediction \Rightarrow *Emotion Analysis*

I love mom's cooking

I love how you never reply back..

I love cruising with my homies

I love messing with yo mind!!

I love you and now you're just gone..

This is shit

This is the shit



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Modeling

DeepMoji Model

- Predict Emoji
- Map Emoji to Emotion

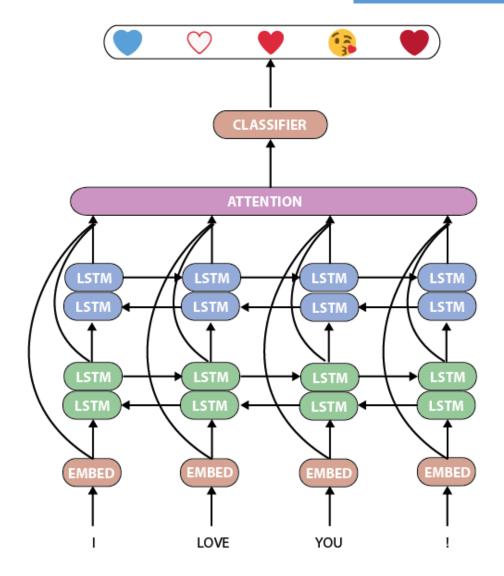


Image:

medium.com/huggingface/understand ing-emotions-from-keras-to-pytorch

پاییز رو خیلی دوست دارم! فصل به این خوبی آخه! بیا زودتر...



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ناراحت

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عشق

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خوشحال

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Modeling

Weak Supervision

- Provide noisy labels using a set of heuristics or domain knowledge
 - Use other weak classifiers
 - Constraints
 - Data transformation
- Think of a transformation on your data:
 - Reduce the effort in annotation process

Modeling

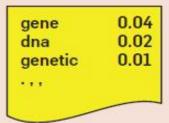
Case Study: Document Classification

- Latent Dirichlet Allocation is a generative model for topic modeling:
 - computes a set of topics: each topic is a distribution on words
 - Computes the distribution of each document on topics
- Instead of manually labeling documents, annotate topics!
- With this transformation you can get a pretty good result by just labeling a handful of topics

Topics

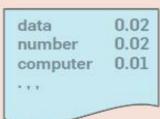
Documents

Topic proportions and assignments



life evolve organism	0.02 0.01 0.01

brain	0.04
neuron	0.02
nerve	0.01
700	



Seeking Life's Bare (Genetic) Necessities COLD SPRING HARBOR, NEW YORK-How many genes does an organism need to survive? Last week at the genome meeting here, * two genome researchers with radically different approaches presented complementary views of the basic genes needed for life. One research team, using computer analyses to compare known genomes, concluded

Haamophilus

genome 1703 games

Genes

Mycoplasme

469 genes

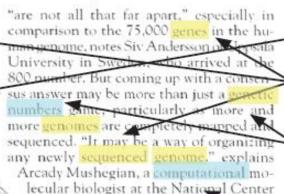
required a mere 128 genes. The other researcher mapped genes in a simple parasite and estimated that for this organism, 800 genes are plenty to do the job—but that anything short of 100 wouldn't be enough.

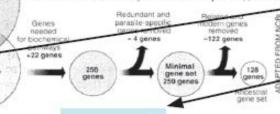
Although the numbers don't match precisely, those predictions

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that today's organisms can be sustained with

just 250 genes, and that the earliest life forms





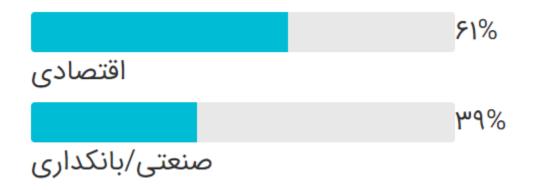
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Stripping down. Computer analysis yields an estimate of the minimum modern and ancient genomes.

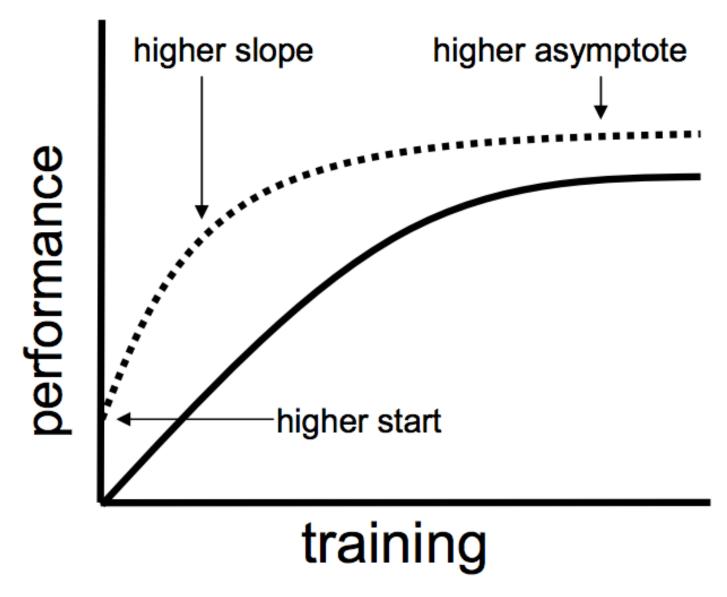
^{*} Genome Mapping and Sequencing, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, May 8 to 12.

در شرایط فعلی طبق گزارش واحد اطلاعاتی اکونومیست، بیشترین ریسکی که اقتصاد ایران را تهدید میکند، ریسک بخش بانکی و ریسک سیاسی است. عصر بانک؛ معاونت بررسی های اقتصادی اتاق بازرگانی تهران در گزارشی به واکاوی مدل ریسک کشوری پرداخته است. براساس این گزارش مدل ریسک کشوری، مدلی است که به منظور سنجش و مقایسه ریسک اعتباری کشورهای مختلف توسط واحد اطلاعاتی اکونومیست طراحی شده است. این ابزار تعاملی، امکان کمیسازی ریسک مبادلات مالی از جمله وامهای بانکی، تامین مالی تجاری و سرمایه گذاری در اوراق بهادار را فراهم میکند...



Transfer Learning

- Train on a task for which you have enough data
- Fine-Tune the trained model on a new task (for which limited data is available)
- The source and target tasks need to have common characteristics:
 - Source: Language modeling, Target: Document Classification
 - Source: Emotion Detection, Target: Satire Detection
 - Source: Document Classification, Target: Sentiment Analysis
 - Document Classification: word based task
 - Sentiment Analysis: Phrase level and semantic based task

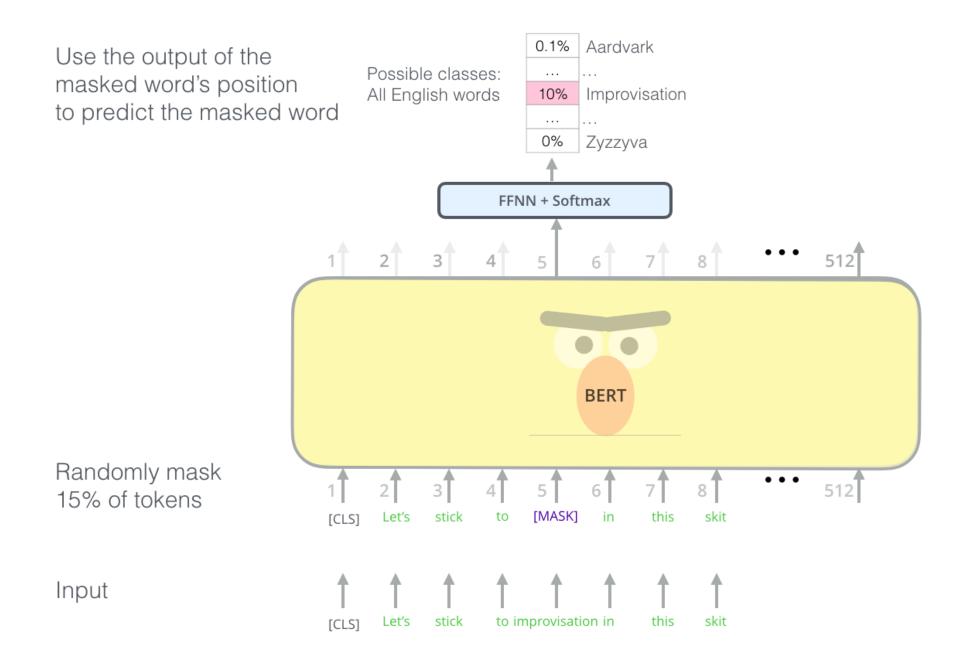


with transfer
without transfer

Image: machinelearningmastery.com/transferlearning-for-deep-learning

Pre-Trained Models

- Train your own model on a source task Or use a Pre-trained model
- Pre-Trained model are a good choice because they are trained on HUGE datasets.
- Language modeling pre-trained models:
 - BERT
 - GPT
 - XLNet
 - XLM
 - CTRL
 - ...



1 - Semi-supervised training on large amounts of text (books, wikipedia..etc).

The model is trained on a certain task that enables it to grasp patterns in language. By the end of the training process, BERT has language-processing abilities capable of empowering many models we later need to build and train in a supervised way.

Semi-supervised Learning Step



Dataset:

Model:

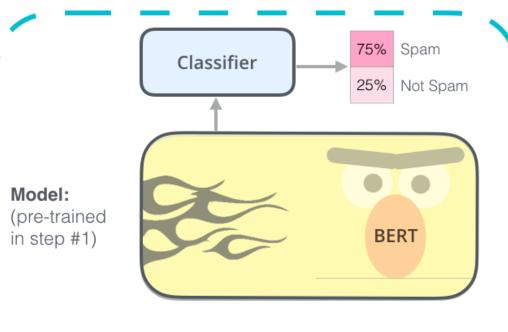


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Die freie Enzyklopädie

Objective: Predict the masked word (language modeling)

2 - Supervised training on a specific task with a labeled dataset.

Supervised Learning Step



Email message

Dataset:

Buy these pills	Spam
Win cash prizes	Spam
Dear Mr. Atreides, please find attached	Not Spam

Class

Case Study: Named Entity Recognition

- Target Task: Named Entity Recognition
 - Extract locations, persons, organizations, events and times from text
- Source: Multilingual BERT model
- Data: 50K hand labeled sentences with NER tags

وزیر <mark>خارجه ایران</mark> تاکید کرد که <mark>تهران</mark> هیچ مذاکره ای در زمینه بازنگری مفاد <mark>برجام</mark> انجام نخواهد داد به گزارش <mark>فارس ، محمد جواد</mark> وزیر خارجه ایران در گفت : وگو با <mark>سرگئی لاوروف وزیر خارجه روسیه</mark> تاکید کرد که <mark>تهران</mark> هیچ مذاکره ای برای بازنگری در <mark>برجام</mark> انجام نخواهد داد <mark>وزیر خارجه</mark> کشورمان که <mark>یک شنبه شب ب</mark>رای رایزنی با مقامات روس درباره <mark>برجام وارد مسکو </mark>شده در بدو ورود به <mark>روسیه </mark>گفت : نیاز است درباره موضوعات مختلف روابط دوجانبه با دوستان روس صحبت کنیم <mark>آقای اردکانیان (وزیر نیرو)</mark> رئیس <mark>کمیسیون مشترک ایران و <mark>روسیه</mark> در اینجا حضور دارند که درباره روابط</mark> دوجانبه با طرف روسی صحبت می کنند وی افزود : بنده هم علاوه بر بحث های دوجانبه ای که درباره همکاری های دوجانبه داریم ، درباره مسائل منطقه ای گفتگو خواهم کرد بحث <mark>سوریه ر</mark>ا داریم و در آستانه اجلاس آستانه در <mark>ترکیه </mark>هستیم و نیاز است در این خصوص هماهنگی شود ، درباره بحث <mark>یمن و</mark> تجاوزات <mark>رژیم صهیونیستی</mark> در منطقه و تحولات جدی که در <mark>افغانستان</mark> در جریان است نیز نیاز است گفتگو داشته باشیم مكان شخص رويداد سازمان تاريخ

Multi-Task Learning

- Train multiple tasks together
 - More data
 - Synergic effects in training
 - Tasks: tweet reconstruction + emoji prediction + satire detection
 - General features
 - Emotion features
 - Satire features
- Entails multi objective loss functions

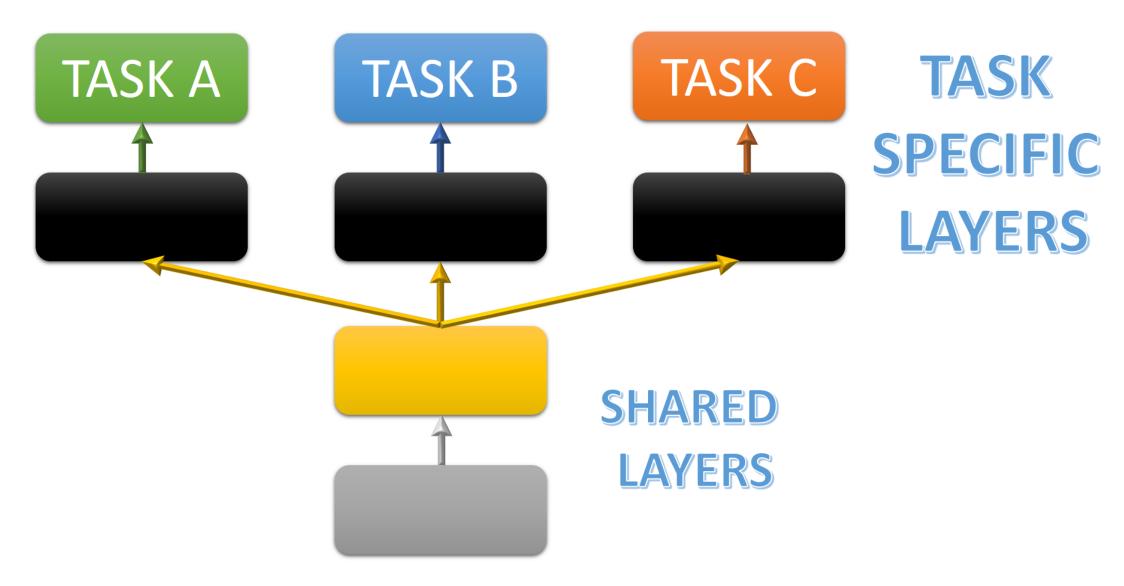
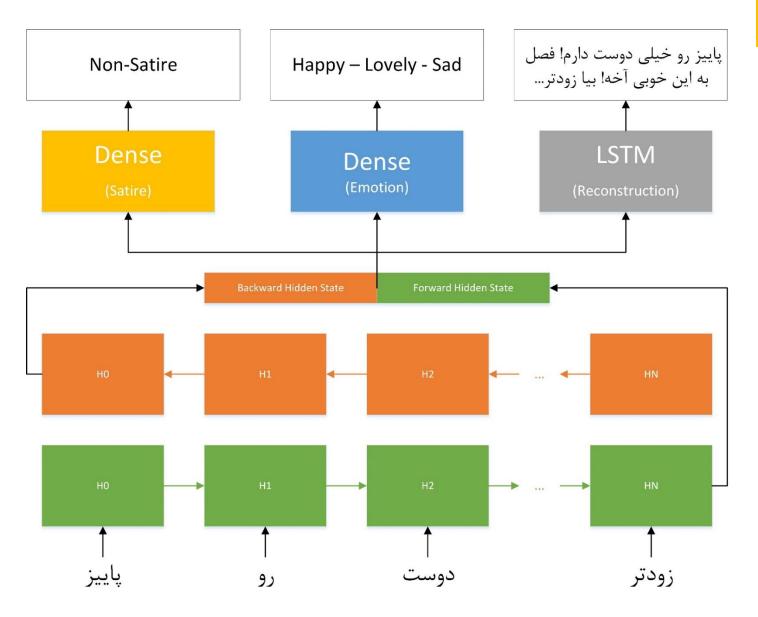


Image: medium.com/manash-en-blog/multi-task-learning-in-keras-implementation-of-multi-task-classification-loss

Case Study: Satire Detection

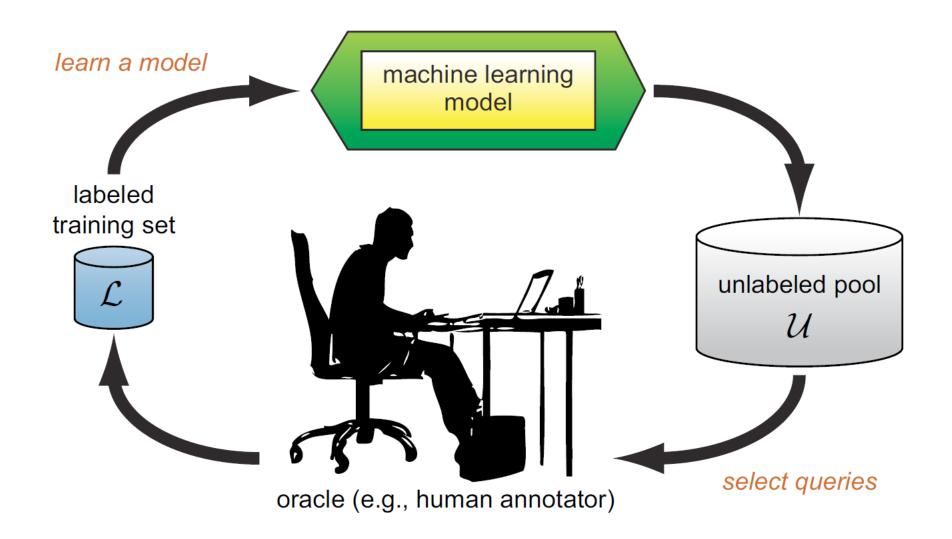
- Satire dataset: 2K tweets
- Emotion dataset: 300K tweets
- Reconstruction Tweets: as much as you have! (200M)

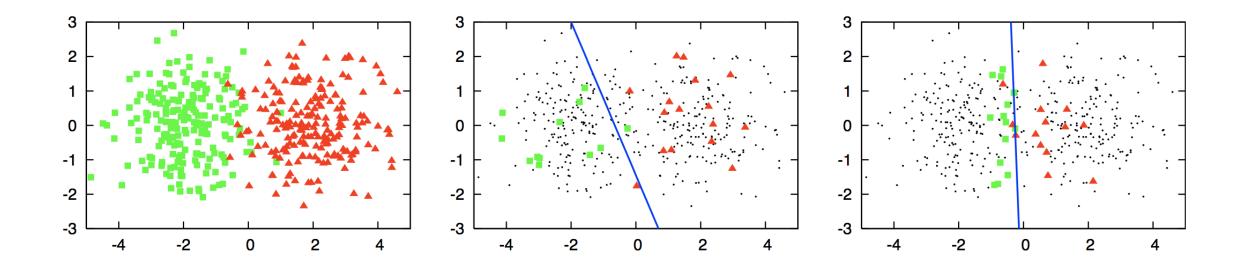


Satire Model	Performance (F1)
Single task	55 %
Multi task	68 %

Active Learning

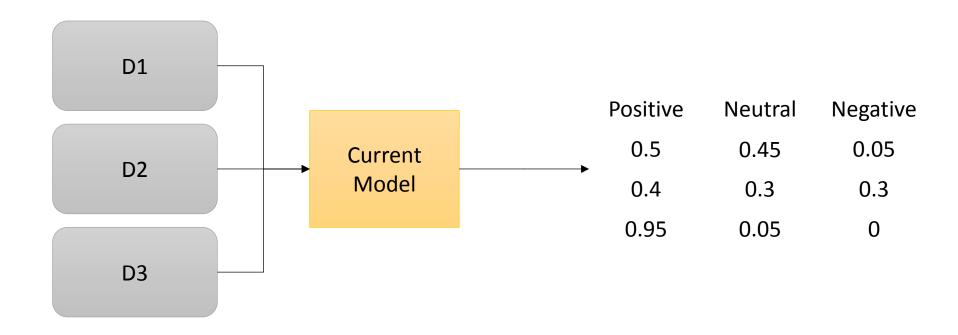
- How to select samples for annotation?
 - Random
 - Annotate as much as you can
 - Smart
 - Annotate "Better" samples

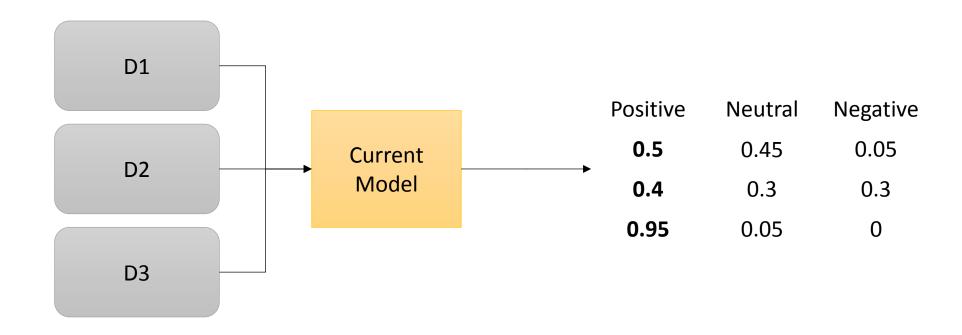


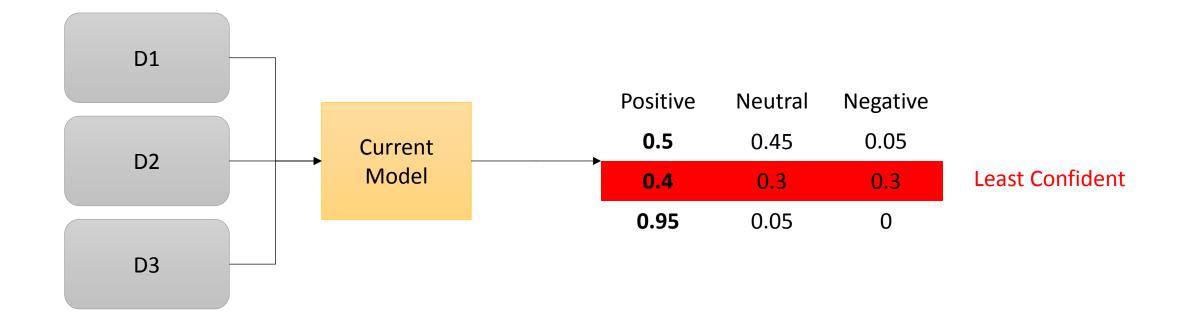


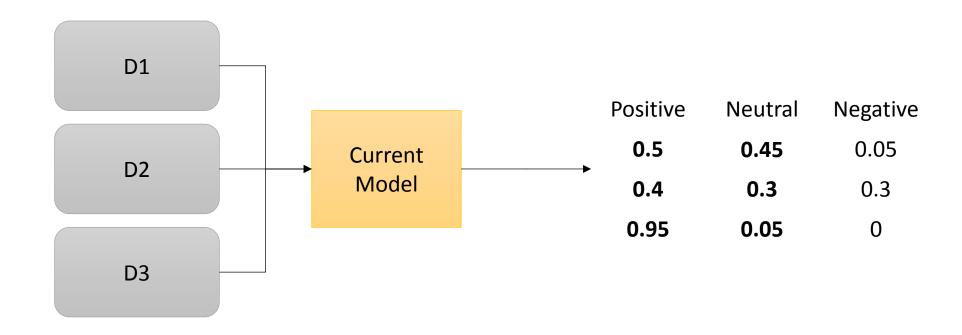
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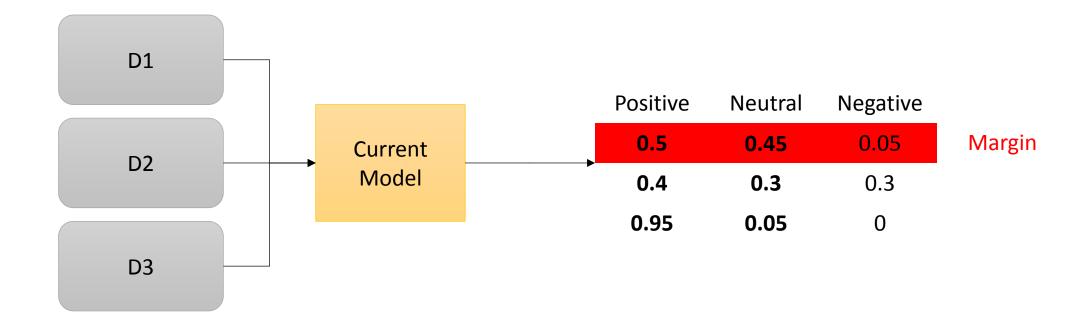
- How to select samples for annotation
 - Random
 - Smart
 - Select samples that current model is uncertain about (LC)
 - Select samples with low margin between category labels (Margin)
 - Select samples with the highest entropy (Entropy)
- Get better performance with fewer samples

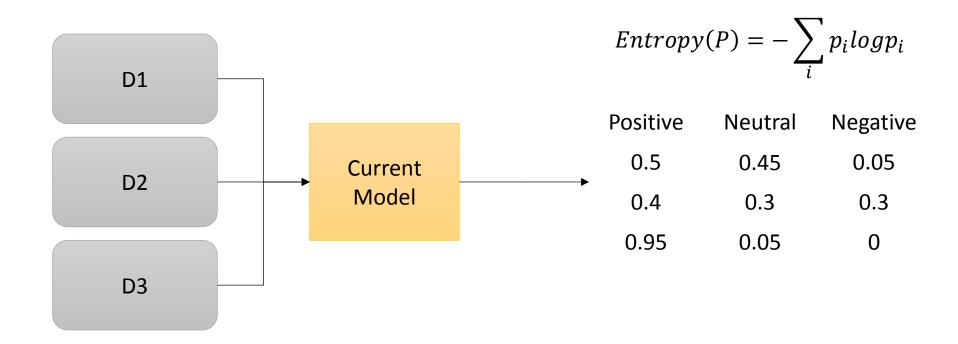


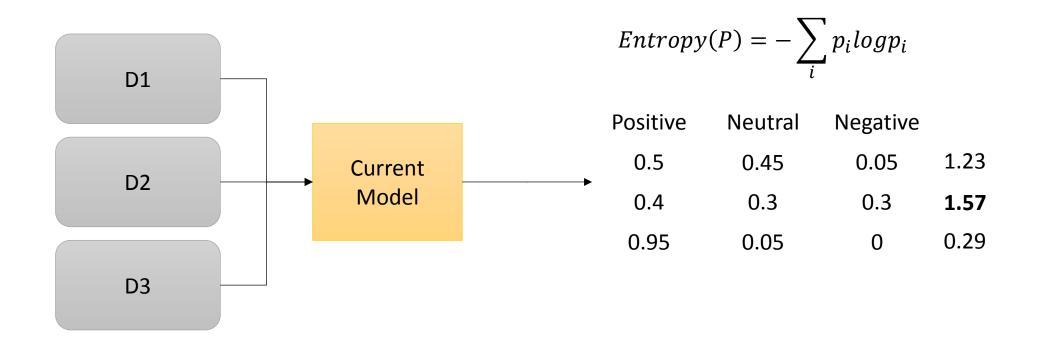


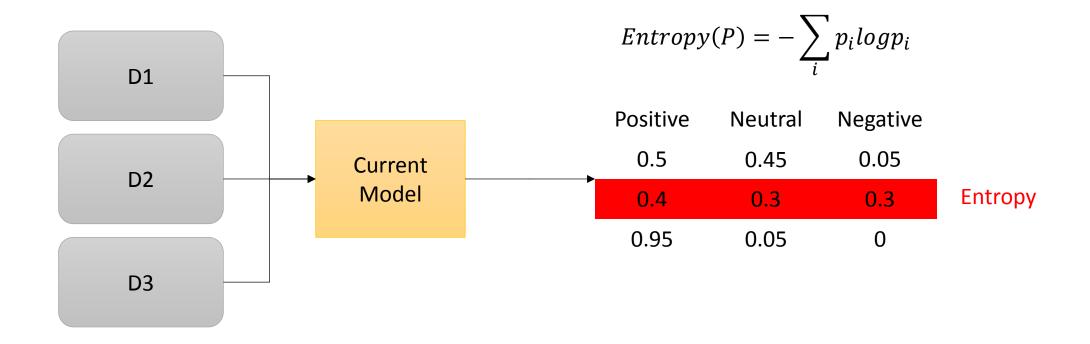








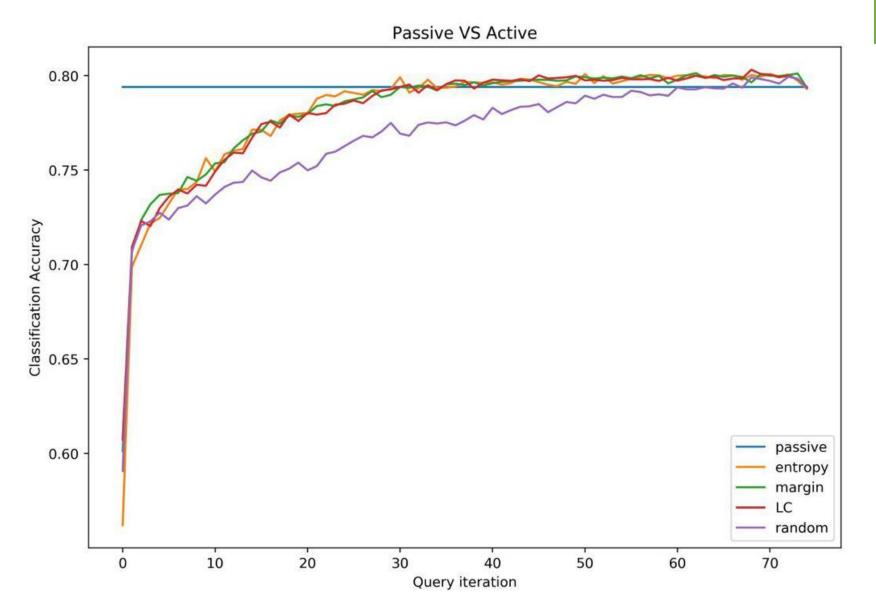






Case Study: Sentiment Analysis

- Model: LSTM
- Embedding: embedding layer
- Data: 100K Hand-Labeled Digikala comments (positive, neutral, negative)
- Test Scenarios:
 - Train on all data
 - Active Learning
 - Entropy
 - Margin
 - Least Confident
 - Random



Summary

- Problem Modeling
 - Self Supervision
 - Model your problem in a way that labels are easy to get (usually available alongside your data)
 - Weak Supervision
 - Transform data into a new space for less annotation effort
- Use Related Data
 - Transfer Learning
 - Transfer model knowledge between tasks
 - Multi-Task Learning
 - Use related tasks for more data and synergic effects
- Get Better Data
 - Active Learning
 - Smart selection of samples for annotation

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