

Topic and Sentiment Unification Maximum Entropy Model for Online Review Analysis

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ABSTRACT

Opinion mining is an important research topic in data mining. Many current methods are coarse-grained, which are practically problematic due to insufficient feedback information and limited reference values. To address these problems, a novel topic and sentiment unification maximum entropy LDA model is proposed in this paper for fine-grained opinion mining of online reviews. In this model, a maximum entropy component is first added to the traditional LDA model to distinguish background words, aspect words and opinion words and further realize both the local and global extraction of these words. A sentiment layer is then inserted between a topic layer and a word layer to extend the proposed model to four layers. Sentiment polarity analysis is done based on the extraction of aspect words and opinion words to simultaneously acquire the sentiment polarity of the whole review and each topic, which leads to, fine-grained topic-sentiment abstract. Experimental results demonstrate the validity of the proposed model and theory.

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1. INTRODUCTION

With the development of the Internet, tens of thousands of users began to purchase various products and services through the network and publish the related online reviews. Analysis of these reviews can not only help potential customers make an intelligent decision, but also guide enterprises to timely improve the quality

of their products and services. However, the number of online reviews is enormous, which is impractical, if not impossible, to use traditional manual-methods for fast access. Therefore, it has been an important research topic for researchers to develop opinion mining of online reviews through automatic analyzing and extracting methods.

Current studies [1-3] showed that review opinion mining mainly included the following tasks: (1) extracting the aspect and opinion words; (2) sentimental classification and polarity analysis; and (3) generating sentiment abstract. In addition, in terms of the granularity, current methods mainly focused on three levels: word or phrase level, sentence level, and chapter level.

Previous efforts on opinion mining focused on sentiment classification on chapter and sentence levels. Pang et al. [4-5] firstly made a series of studies about polarity classification. Three classifiers, Naive Bayes Model (NBM), Maximum Entropy Model (MaxEnt), and Support Vector Machines (SVM), were mainly used [4]. Graph-based minimum-cut approach was adopted to identify the subjectivity and objectivity of sentences in [5]. Ni et al. [6] employed NBM, SVM, and Roechio's algorithm to make text sentiment classification. Information Gain and CHI were also used to select features [6].

Nevertheless, the aforementioned studies are all coarse-grained methods, where only the overall sentiment polarity can be derived [7]. In practical reviews, consumers usually hold different sentiment opinion towards different topics. It is more helpful for potential consumers to simultaneously acquire the overall and specific comments of products or services. In this context, traditional opinion mining methods were unable to meet the practical needs and consequently, fine-grained methods emerge as an alternative, which involves more specific sentiment classification on word or phrase level.

Another issue in sentiment analysis is that the same word may have distinct sentiment orientations in the contexts with different topics. For example, the word "simple" is positive in the sentence "The restaurant has simple tones", which means that the restaurant style is simple and elegant. However, it is negative in the sentence "The food tastes simple", which denotes poor food taste. Therefore, it is essential to integrate the context with topics in sentiment analysis.

In recent years, many scholars applied Latent Dirichlet Allocation model (LDA) to opinion mining. Standard LDA is a bag-of-words model, which assumes that a document is a set of independent words. Locations and semantic information of words are not considered in the model. Thus, it is not appropriate for word

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extraction in fine-grained methods [8]. Some researchers extended LDA model and generated topic or sentiment labels on sentence level [9-10], which had achieved good performance.

In this paper, a topic and sentiment unification maximum entropy LDA model (TSU MaxEnt-LDA) is proposed for fine-grained opinion mining. Topics and sentiments are simultaneously considered on word or phrase level to get more specific sentiment polarity analysis. In Section 2, we briefly review some related work. This is followed by the proposed work in Section 3. In Section 4, we present some experimental results.

2. RELATED WORK

LDA and extended work played a significant role in opinion mining research. Titov et al. [8] presented Multi-Grain LDA model (MG-LDA) and Multi-Aspect Sentiment model (MAS). Brody et al. [9] extended LDA to Local-LDA on sentence level. Experiments showed that these three models were very useful for the extraction of topics, which could acquire both global aspect words and local aspect words. Nevertheless, aspect words and opinion words were not distinguished in these models, which would lead to low accuracy of sentiment analysis.

To overcome the shortcomings of standard LDA in extraction of fine-grained features, Zhao et al. [10] added a maximum entropy (MaxEnt) component in LDA models and proposed a MaxEnt-LDA model. Considering the location and semantic information of words, two indicator variables were introduced to distinguish local and global aspect words and opinion words. Topics were generated on sentence level. In this case, words had the same topic with their sentences. However, sentiment analysis was not involved in their research.

Mei et al. [11] proposed Topic Sentiment Mixture model (TSM) in which topic and sentiment were separated from each other by assuming that sentiment words had no impact on topic identification. In realistic applications, however, this assumption does not hold as sentiment words are an important part to express topic.

A Joint Sentiment/Topic model (JST) was presented in [12] to sample topic and sentiment labels for each word. JST adopted standard LDA, which was not suitable for fine-grained feature extraction. Based on JST, Jo et al. [13] proposed Aspect Sentiment Unification Model (ASUM). Different from JST, the location and semantic information of words were considered in ASUM for sampling topic and sentiment labels. However, the two models all made sentiment analysis on the whole review level, which could not obtain more fine-grained sentiment polarity.

Through inserting sentiment layer between topic layer and word layer, Li et al. [14] proposed Sentiment-LDA to extend traditional LDA from three-layer to four-layer. The sentiment polarities of the whole review and each topic were simultaneously obtained. However, this model still adopted bag-of-word structure.

Considering the aforementioned disadvantages, TSU MaxEnt-LDA is proposed in this paper for fine-grained opinion mining. Referring to MaxEnt-LDA and considering location and semantic information of words, maximum entropy component is added in TSU MaxEnt-LDA. A sentiment layer is inserted between topic layer and word layer to extend the proposed model from traditional three layers to four layers. Under the assumption that each sentence just belongs to one topic and one sentiment, sentiment polarity analysis is done based on the extraction of

aspect words and opinion words to simultaneously acquire the sentiment polarity of the whole review and each topic. Finally, fine-grained topic-sentiment abstract can be extracted.

3. TSU MAXENT-LDA DESCRIPTIONS

The following example is used to describe the terminology of TSU MaxEnt-LDA.

“The food is great. The salad is delicious. The waiter is quite friendly. The staff is great. Beijing restaurant is great. The restaurant has simple tones. The food tastes simple.”

In this review, “delicious” and “salad” have strong association, so do “friendly” and “waiter”. Local opinion words “delicious” and “friendly” can be used to modify local aspect words “salad” (an aspect of topic “food”) and “waiter” (an aspect of topic “staff”). Global aspect words are collective nouns denoting distinguished products or service entity, such as “Beijing Restaurant” and “Hilton Restaurant” in “restaurant” domain. Global opinion words, like “great”, are usually used to modify various topics and global aspect words, such as food, staff and Beijing restaurant. Background words are used to connect aspect and opinion words. Global words and background words have higher occurrence ratio than local words, which will disturb the identification of local words. Compared with the comments of the whole review, potential consumers prefer to obtain the evaluation of specific aspects. Therefore, local words should be solely identified.

Furthermore, opinion word “simple” is positive in the sentence “The restaurant has simple tones”, which means that the restaurant style is elegant. However, it is negative in the sentence “The food tastes simple”, which indicates bland food. Hence, sentiment orientation is dependent on topics and a same word may have different sentiment polarities in different cases.

In this paper, we assume that each sentence just belongs to one topic and sentiment and each word has same topic and sentiment with its sentence. In sentiment classification, we consider two kinds of sentiment orientations (positive and negative) and take the sentiment polarity with bigger probability value.

3.1 Generating Process of TSU MaxEnt-LDA

TSU MaxEnt-LDA is an extension of MaxEnt-LDA. It incorporates both topic and sentiment, which is shown in Figure 1. Maximum entropy component is added in TSU MaxEnt-LDA to distinguish background words, aspect words and opinion words and further realize both the local and global extraction of these words. Two indicator variables, γ and u , are introduced to distinguish word categories ($\{0, 1, 2\}$, where 0: background word, 1: aspect word, 2: opinion word) and word types ($\{0, 1\}$ 0: local, 1: global). The Meanings of notations are listed in Table 1.

In TSU MaxEnt-LDA, the generative process is as follows.

1. For a corpus,
 - (1) Draw word distributions $\Phi \sim Dir(\beta)$ (background word: Φ^B , global aspect word: $\Phi^{A,g}$, global opinion word: $\{\Phi^{O,g,s}\}$, local aspect word: $\{\Phi^{A,l,s}\}$, local opinion word: $\{\Phi^{O,l,s}\}$ ($s=0, 1, \dots, T$)).
 - (2) Draw word type distribution $\rho \sim Beta(\eta)$.
2. For each document d in the corpus,
 - (1) Draw the document’s topic distribution $\theta^d \sim Dir(\alpha)$.

Table 2. Meanings of the notations in inference

Z_{-m}	the topic assignments for all sentences except sentence m
S_{-m}	the sentiment assignments for all sentences except sentence m
$N_{(t)}^d$	the number of sentences assigned to topic t in document d
$N_{(t)}^d$	the number of sentences in document d
$N_{(t,s)}^d$	the number of sentences assigned to topic t , sentiment s in document d
$N_{(v)}^{A,t,s}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a local aspect word to topic t , sentiment s
$N_{(t)}^{A,t,s}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a local aspect word to aspect t , sentiment s
$N_{(v)}^{O,t,s}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a local opinion word to topic t , sentiment s
$N_{(t)}^{O,t,s}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a local opinion word to aspect t , sentiment s
$N_{(v)}^{A,g}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a global aspect word
$N_{(t)}^{A,g}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a global aspect word
$N_{(v)}^{O,g,s}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a global opinion word to sentiment s
$N_{(t)}^{O,g,s}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a global opinion word to sentiment s
$m_{(v)}^{A,t,s}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a local aspect word to topic t , sentiment s in sentence m of document d
$m_{(t)}^{A,t,s}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a local aspect word to aspect t , sentiment s in sentence m of document d
$m_{(v)}^{O,t,s}$	the number of times word v is assigned as a local opinion word to topic t , sentiment s in sentence m of document d
$m_{(t)}^{O,t,s}$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a local opinion word to aspect t , sentiment s in sentence m of document d
N_v^B	the number of times word $w_{d,m,n}$ or word v is assigned as a background word
$N_{(t)}^B$	the total number of times any word is assigned as a background word
$N_{(t)}^A$	the number of times any word is assigned as a local aspect word
$N_{(t)}^A$	the number of times any word is assigned as a global aspect word
$N_{(t)}^A$	the total number of times any word is assigned as an aspect word
$N_{(t)}^O$	the number of times any word is assigned as a local opinion word
$N_{(t)}^O$	the number of times any word is assigned as a global opinion word
$N_{(t)}^O$	the total number of times any word is assigned as an opinion word

All these counts represented by N variables exclude sentence m of document d . The topic and sentiment of sentence m in document d are drawn from the conditional probability

$$p(z_{dm} = t, s_{dm} = s | \mathbf{z}_{-m}, \mathbf{s}_{-m}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{f}) \propto \frac{N_{(t)}^d + \alpha}{N_{(t)}^d + T\alpha} \times \frac{N_{(t,s)}^d + \gamma}{N_{(t)}^d + S\gamma} \times \left(\frac{\Gamma(N_{(t)}^{A,t,s} + V\beta)}{\Gamma(N_{(t)}^{A,t,s} + m_{(t)}^{A,t,s} + V\beta)} \prod_{v=1}^V \frac{\Gamma(N_{(v)}^{A,t,s} + m_{(v)}^{A,t,s} + \beta)}{\Gamma(N_{(v)}^{A,t,s} + \beta)} \right) \times \left(\frac{\Gamma(N_{(t)}^{O,t,s} + V\beta)}{\Gamma(N_{(t)}^{O,t,s} + m_{(t)}^{O,t,s} + V\beta)} \prod_{v=1}^V \frac{\Gamma(N_{(v)}^{O,t,s} + m_{(v)}^{O,t,s} + \beta)}{\Gamma(N_{(v)}^{O,t,s} + \beta)} \right)$$

The approximate probability of word-type u assigned as aspect words in corpus is

$$\rho_u^A = \frac{N_{(u)}^A + \eta}{N_{(t)}^A + 2\eta}$$

The approximate probability of word-type u assigned as opinion words in corpus is

$$\rho_u^O = \frac{N_{(u)}^O + \eta}{N_{(t)}^O + 2\eta}$$

The approximate probability of topic t in document d is

$$\theta_t^d = \frac{N_{(t)}^d + \alpha}{N_{(t)}^d + T\alpha}$$

The approximate probability of topic t for sentiment s in document d is

$$\pi_{t,s}^d = \frac{N_{(t,s)}^d + \gamma_s}{N_{(t)}^d + S\gamma_s}$$

The approximate probability of word v assigned as a local aspect word to topic t and sentiment s is

$$\Phi_v^{A,t,s} = \frac{N_{(v)}^{A,t,s} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{A,t,s} + V\beta}$$

The approximate probability of word v assigned as a local opinion word to topic t and sentiment s is

$$\Phi_v^{O,t,s} = \frac{N_{(v)}^{O,t,s} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{O,t,s} + V\beta}$$

Then the following equations are used to jointly sample values for $y_{d,m,n}$ and $u_{d,m,n}$.

$$p(y_{d,m,n} = 0 | \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{y}_{-(d,m,n)}, \mathbf{u}_{-(d,m,n)}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{f}) \propto \frac{\exp(\lambda_0 \cdot f_{d,m,n})}{\sum_{l'=0}^2 \exp(\lambda_{l'} \cdot f_{d,m,n})} \cdot \frac{N_{w_{d,m,n}}^B + \beta}{N_{(\cdot)}^B + V\beta}$$

$$p(y_{d,m,n} = l, u_{d,m,n} = b | \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{y}_{-(d,m,n)}, \mathbf{u}_{-(d,m,n)}, \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{f}) \propto \frac{\exp(\lambda_l \cdot f_{d,m,n})}{\sum_{l'=0}^2 \exp(\lambda_{l'} \cdot f_{d,m,n})} \cdot g(\mathbf{w}_{d,m,n}, \mathbf{z}_{dm}, \mathbf{s}_{dm,z}, l, b)$$

where $1 \leq v \leq V, 1 \leq t \leq T, s \in \{1,2\}, l \in \{1,2\}, b \in \{0,1\}$. $g(v, t, s, l, b)$ is defined as follows:

$$g(v, t, s, l, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{N_{(v)}^{A,t,s} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{A,t,s} + V\beta} \cdot \frac{N_{(t)}^A + \eta}{N_{(t)}^A + 2\eta} & \text{if } l=1, b=0 \\ \frac{N_{(v)}^{O,t,s} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{O,t,s} + V\beta} \cdot \frac{N_{(t)}^O + \eta}{N_{(t)}^O + 2\eta} & \text{if } l=2, b=0 \\ \frac{N_{(v)}^{A,g} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{A,g} + V\beta} \cdot \frac{N_{(t)}^A + \eta}{N_{(t)}^A + 2\eta} & \text{if } l=1, b=1 \\ \frac{N_{(v)}^{O,g,s} + \beta}{N_{(t)}^{O,g,s} + V\beta} \cdot \frac{N_{(t)}^O + \eta}{N_{(t)}^O + 2\eta} & \text{if } l=2, b=1 \end{cases}$$

4. EXPERIMENTS

In this paper, we use the same data set as Brody and Zhao did in [9, 10], which originates from [7, 18, 19]. Similar to their methods, we manually annotate 50 sentences for training the MaxEnt model. When pre-processing the data, we remove stop words and use Stanford POS Tagger [20] to tag the data set. We also back up an original data version for extracting the contextual features.

Referring to the parameter setting in [10, 13, 21], we use Gibbs sampling and set parameters as follows: iterating times=500, $\alpha=50/T$, $\beta=0.1$, $\gamma=1$, $\eta=0.5$, where γ is symmetric and $\gamma=1$ means all sentiment distributions have the same probability. This kind of parameter setting is proved by experiments to reach the best performance.

Similar to the experimental methods in [7, 9, 10], the number of topics is set as $T=14$ and we manually classify them into six topics (Food, Service, Price, Ambience, Anecdotes, Miscellaneous) from which three major topics (Staff, Food, and Ambience) are selected for evaluating the performance of TSU MaxEnt-LDA model.

In the experiments, we firstly distinguish aspect words and opinion words. Based on this, the local and global extraction of these words is realized. Then sentiment polarity classification of TSU MaxEnt-LDA is done and topic-sentiment abstract can be concluded, which is shown in Table 3 (P: probability of positive sentiment, N: probability of negative sentiment). The sampling results of aspect words and opinion words in MaxEnt-LDA are shown in Table 4. The two tables all select the top 10 words for corresponding topic.

Table 3. Sampling results of TSU MaxEnt-LDA

Food				Staff			
P (78.23%)		N (21.77%)		P (58.53%)		N (41.47%)	
Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion
food	delicious	food	hot	service	ok	service	evil
dessert	tasty	rice	cooked	waiter	great	waiter	incompetent
cake	missed	turkey	bland	man	excellent	staff	not
chocolate	fresh	sushi	horrible	staff	extremely	problem	unprofessional
dish	authentic	chicken	raw	people	friendly	manager	never
coffee	good	dumpling	awful	waitress	competent	hostess	back
wine	really	burger	oily	manager	helpful	times	slow
rice	virginia	toast	forgot	bartender	attentive	waitress	lousy
bread	satisfying	chow	ordinary	member	nice	guy	rude
sauce	decent	pancakes	disgusting	guy	professional	member	ask
Ambience				General Opinion			General aspect
P (75.29%)		N (24.71%)		P (67.25%)		N (32.75%)	
Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion				
place	recommend	decor	small	great		bad	America
bar	wonderful	area	crowded	nice		not	NYC
atmosphere	nice	seat	loud	excellent		never	New York
seat	love	table	tiny	recommend		would	restaurant
decor	fun	place	dark	best		back	Italian
area	romantic	space	noise	special		terrible	country
dining	feel	outdoor	not	love		awful	NY
music	beautiful	scene	annoying	good		forget	spot
space	cozy	atmosphere	traffic	ok		better	deli
brunch	comfortable	Bar	feel	amazing		wish	experience

Table 4. Sampling results of MaxEnt-LDA

Food		Staff		Ambience		General Opinion
Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion	Aspect	Opinion	
chocolate	good	service	friendly	room	small	good
desert	best	staff	attentive	dining	nice	well
cake	great	food	great	tables	beautiful	nice
cream	delicious	wait	Nice	bar	romantic	great
ice	sweet	waiter	good	place	cozy	better
desserts	hot	place	excellent	decor	great	small
coffee	amazing	waiters	helpful	scene	open	bad
tea	fresh	restaurant	rude	space	warm	worth
bread	tasted	waitress	extremely	area	feel	definitely
cheese	excellent	waitstaff	slow	table	comfortable	special

From table 3, we can see that local aspect words under each topic are quite representative and coherent and local opinion words under each topic highly accord with corresponding topics. Furthermore, the global opinion words and aspect words are all correctly clustered under the corresponding categories.

Comparing Table 3 with Table 4, we can see that the extraction results of aspect words and opinion words are similar. However, there is not sentiment classification in Table 4. Obviously, adding sentiment component into TSU MaxEnt-LDA model makes the classification results in Table 3 more informative and helpful for users.

The quantitative evaluation method of the sentiment orientation in [14] is used to analyze the overall sentiment of reviews. We calculate the accuracy to judge the validity of overall sentiment analysis through the following equation:

$$Accuracy = \frac{N'}{N_{total}}$$

where N' is the number of correctly predicted reviews, N_{total} is the total number of reviews. The accuracy values of TSU MaxEnt-LDA, ASUM [13], and Sentiment-LDA [14] are shown in Table 5. Sentiment-LDA and ASUM all added sentiment seed words which interfered with the experimental results. Hence, the sentiment seed words are not adopted in our experiments. We can see that TSU MaxEnt-LDA achieves the highest accuracy among three models. It is more effective of our model to sample topic and sentiment label for each sentence than of Sentiment-LDA to sample topic and sentiment label for each word. In addition, over 80% of the labeled sentences in the data set [7] have one topic and sentiment label, which confirms our assumption that a sentence usually belongs to an aspect and a sentiment. Compared with ASUM, both TSU MaxEnt-LDA and Sentiment-LDA obtain more fine-grained sentiment distribution of topics and reach higher sentiment classification accuracy.

Table 5. Accuracy values of three models

Model	Restaurants
Sentiment-LDA	53.62%
ASUM	25.63%
TSU MaxEnt-LDA	62.26%

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