

Machine Learning & Associated Algorithms – A Review

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ABSTRACT

Machine learning and associated algorithms occupies a pride of place in the execution of automation in the field of computing and its application to addressing contemporary and human-centred problems such as predictions, evaluations, deductions, analytics and analysis. This paper presents types of data and machine learning algorithms in a broader sense. We briefly discuss and explain different machine learning algorithms and real-world application areas based on machine learning. We highlight several research issues and potential future directions

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1. MACHINE LEARNING

Machine learning and AI are the important concepts in the current scenario and machines will replace much of the human work. For example, in the future, bots will replace most of the humans in the armed forces of a country. Restaurants can replace the waiters with AI bots. Bots in restaurants are available in a few restaurants now. There are machine-learning approaches that can teach the bots to understand the environment and act accordingly. Classification, clustering, regression, and deep learning are some of the models in machine learning. As shown in Figure 4.1 the machine learning algorithms can be divided into four types, namely, supervised learning, unsupervised learning, semi supervised learning, and Re-enforcement learning.

for the rule and regulations, summarize and group data points and detect patterns that help in deriving significant insights and explain the data better to users. unsupervised learning techniques are categorizes-

- i. Clustering
- ii. Association rule mining
- iii. Dimensionality reduction

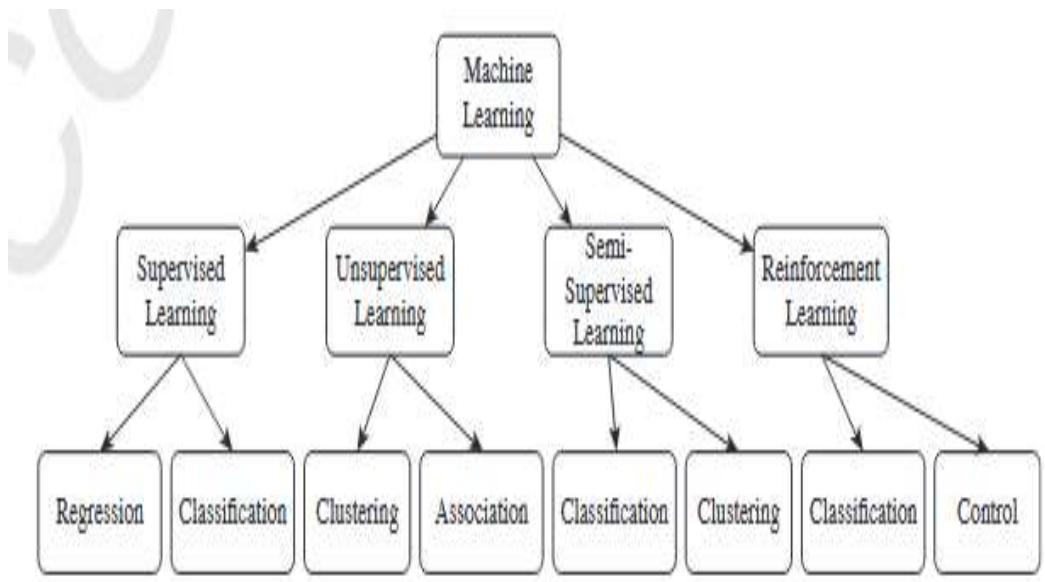


Figure 1: Classification of machine learning algorithms

2. MACHINE LEARNING TASK AND ALGORITHMS

In this section, we discuss various machine learning algorithms that include classification analysis, regression analysis, data clustering, association rule learning, feature engineering for dimensional reduction, as well as deep learning methods. A general structure of a machine learning-based predictive model has been shown in fig 2 where model is trained from historical data in phase 1 and the outcome is generated in phase 2 for the new test data

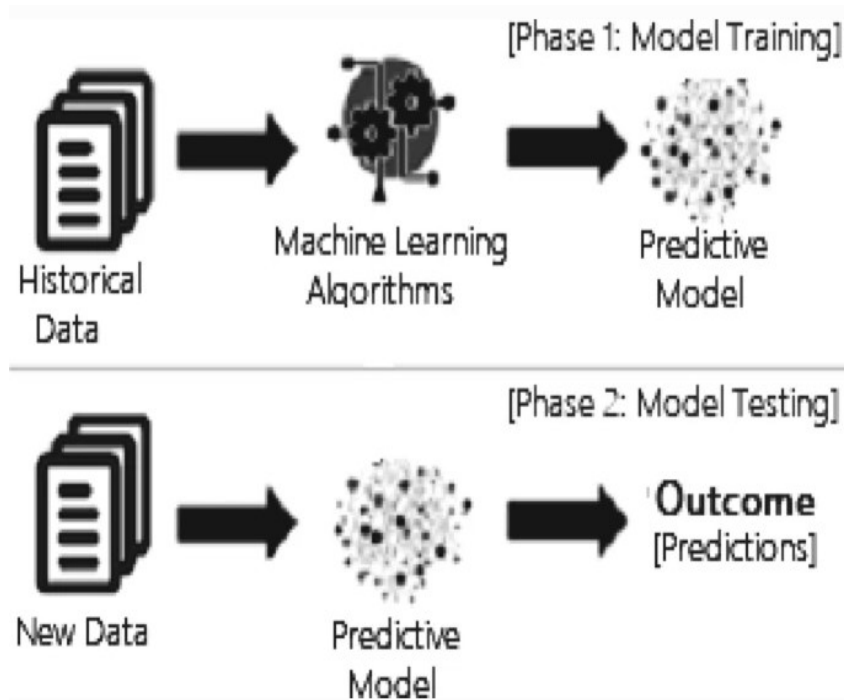


Figure 2: General Structure Of A Machine Learning Based Predictive Model Considering Both The Training And Testing Phase

Classification and Regression

In classification the dotted line represents a linear boundary that separates the two classes. In regression the dotted line models the linear relationship between two variables as shown in figure 2.6

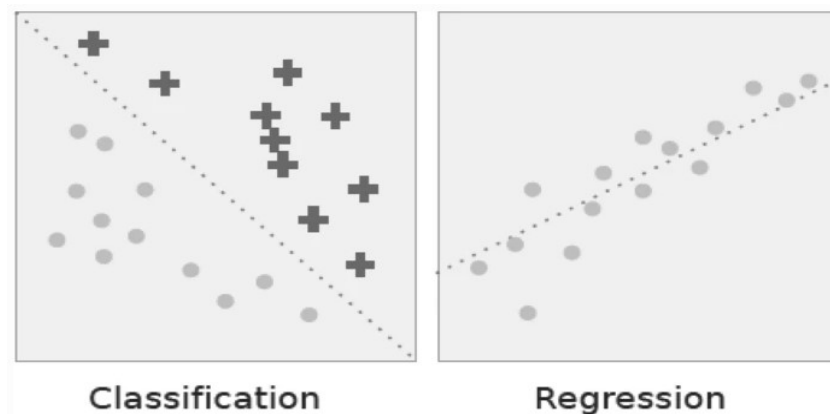


Figure 3: classification vs regression

Deep Learning and Social Networks

Deep learning was first used in social networks by Perozzi et al. (2014). In this work, the authors used deep learning to represent social graphs with a latent representation in continuous vector space. This allows other well-known statistical and machine learning models to be used with social network data easily. To learn the social representation, they used a stream of short random walks. In 2015, Nikfarjam et al. (2015) used deep learning tech

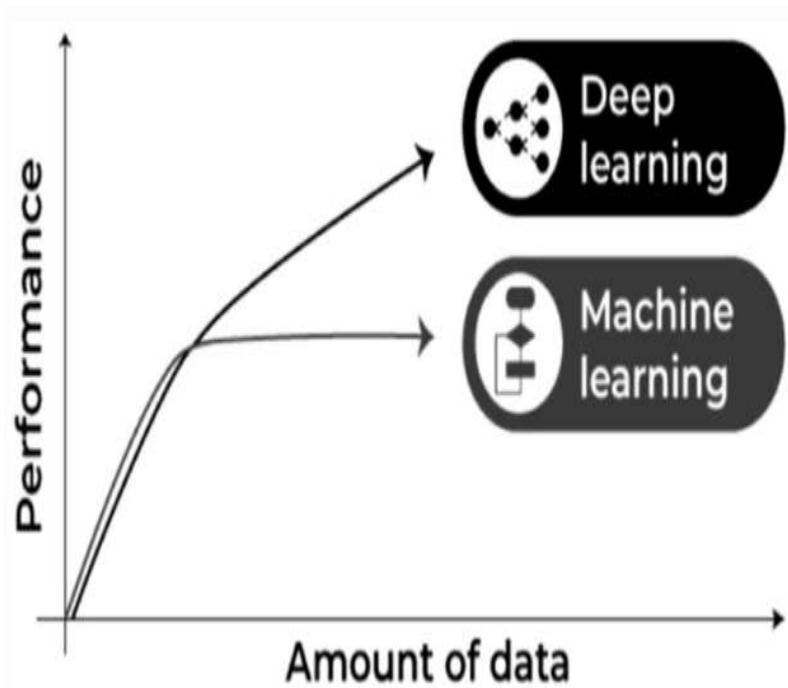


Figure 4: Machine learning and deep learning performance in general with the amount of data

Social Media Algorithms

Social media algorithms are a way of sorting posts in a users’ feed based on relevancy instead of publish time. Social networks prioritize which content a user sees in their feed first by the likelihood that they’ll actually want to see it.

Before the switch to algorithms, most social media feeds displayed posts in reverse chronological order. In short, the newest posts from accounts a user followed showed up first. This is still an option on Twitter to set your feed to chronological order

3. WHY SOCIAL MEDIA ALGORITHMS EXIST

There is a *ton* of content floating around in the social space. Like, thousands of posts, photos and videos published per minute. Without social media algorithms, sifting through all of this content on an account-by-account basis would be impossible. Especially for users following hundreds or thousands of accounts on a network, so algorithms do the legwork of delivering what *you* want and weeding out content that’s deemed irrelevant or low-quality. In theory, that is there’s also the belief that social media algorithms exist to push brands to pay a premium for social ads.

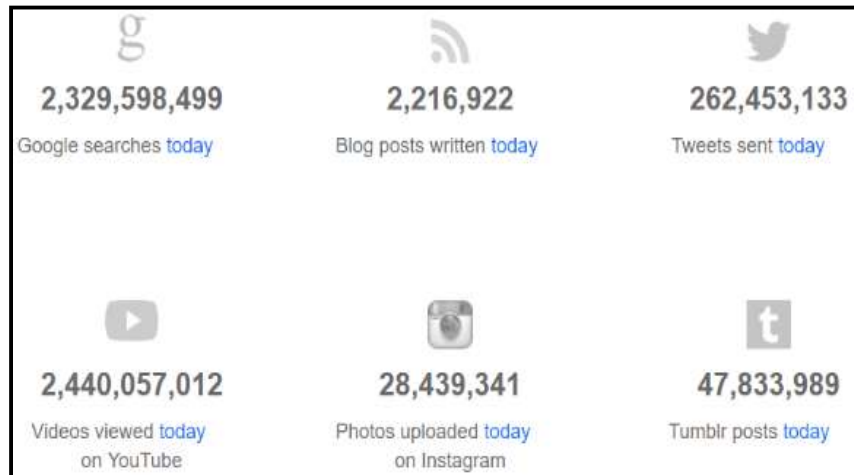


Figure 6: Social Media Post

The belief is that if brands can’t reach their audience organically, they’ll turn to ads instead. Obviously, this means more money for social networks. This point-of-view might seem cynical or even paranoid, but social marketers know that changes in how social media algorithms prioritize paid and organic content can have a huge impact. Regardless of why social media algorithms exist, the fact remains that they aren’t going anywhere. For brands, this means learning what algorithms “want” and likewise what might cause content to be viewed as low-quality or irrelevant to their audience

How social media algorithms work

For starters, social media algorithms treat engagement (think: likes, comments and shares) as a sort of snowball effect. That is, the more engagement a piece of content gets, the more likely it is to be rewarded by the algorithm. Perhaps one of the easiest ways to encourage engagement is by asking questions of your followers. Serving as a sort of call-to-action, question-based posts are an easy way to encourage interactions and connect with your audience at the same time.

4. SENTIMENT ANALYSIS

In the age of digitalization, a huge amount of sentiments are expressed daily on university related topics using social media platforms. Particularly, posted statements from students and teachers can provide a potential source for evaluating universities. Twitter as one of the most popular microblogging platforms is a rich data resource for opinion mining. Stimulated by this fact, ways to analyze Twitter for information in the context of academics are sought.

Sentiment analysis is done using natural language processing and information extraction with the goal of obtaining the writer’s feeling as positive, negative or neutral (Subhabrata, 2017). Sentiment analysis is often used as component in opinion mining when the goal is to analyze sentiment and attitudes (Bing, 2017). There are a number of various methods that can be used to classify sentiment of a text. In this project the Dictionary-based approach is used for sentiment analysis.

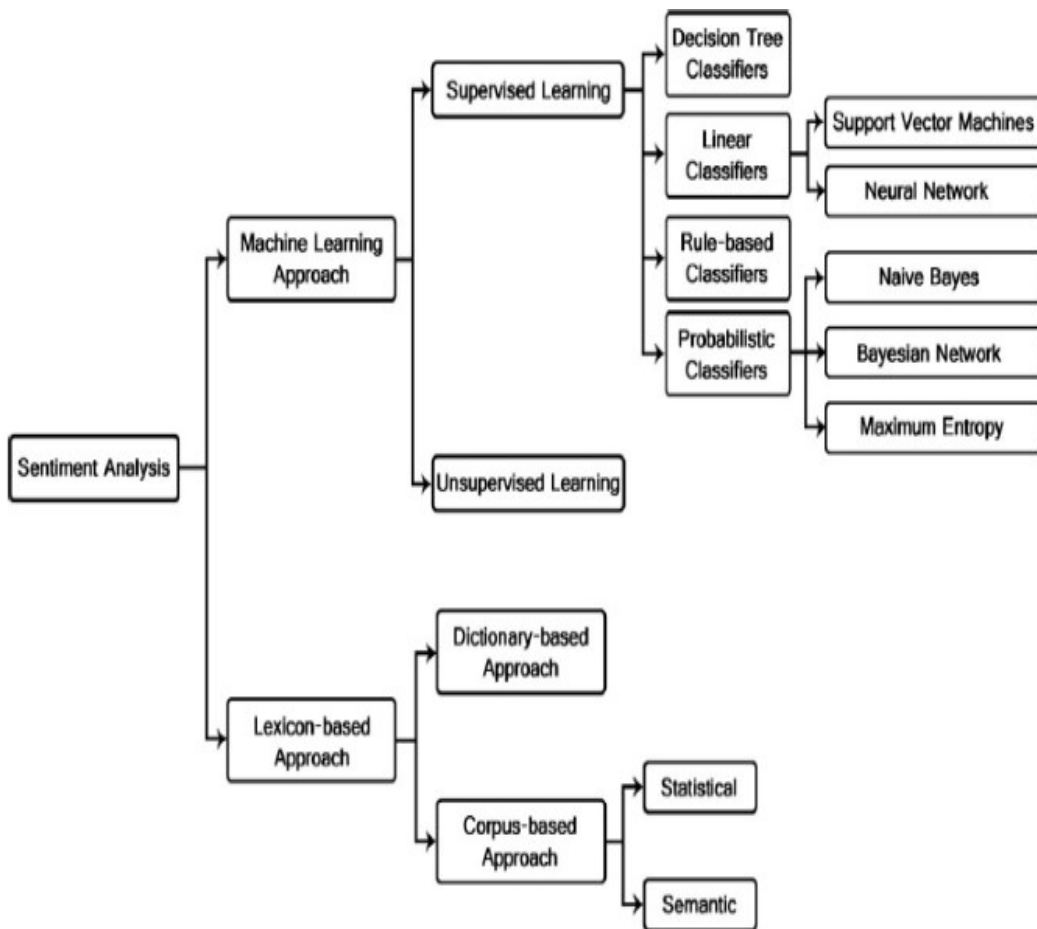


Figure 7: Sentiment Analysis Methods (Bing, 2017)

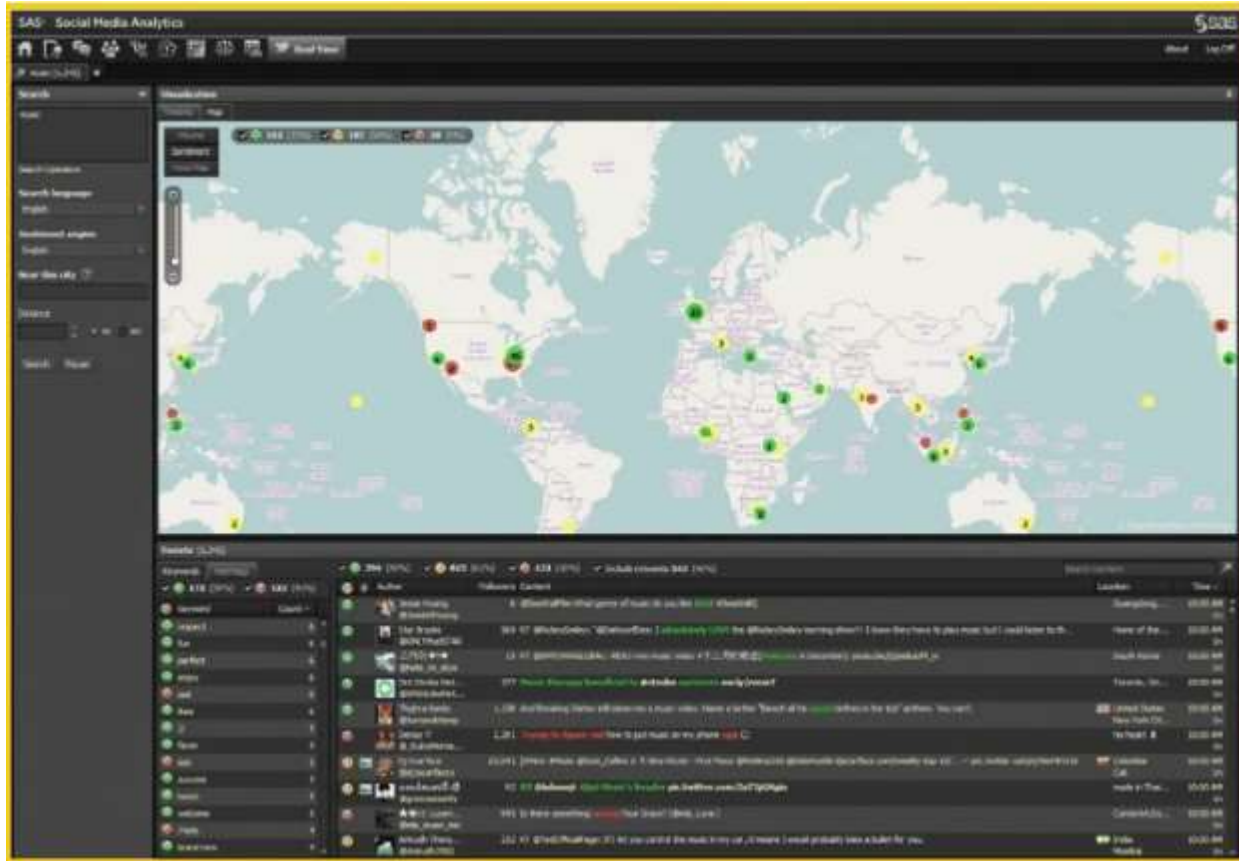


Figure 8: SAS Visualization of Real-Time Tracking via Twitter

6. NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

The amount of content generated by the users of social media is exponentially increasing. The text data cannot be processed by a machine efficiently like with other formats of data. A machine needs to understand human slang and language to analyze the text content. Natural language processing (NLP) helps machines understand human slang and language in the text content generated on social media. The flow of content from social media to a big data storage system and the analysis by ML and NLP are illustrated in Figure 9.

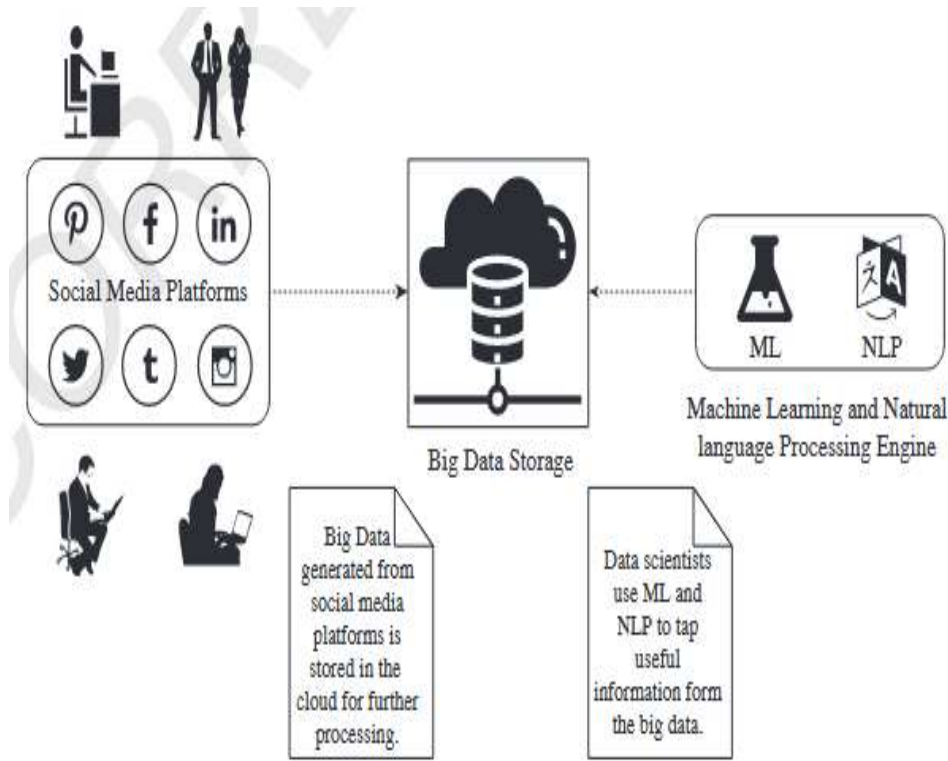
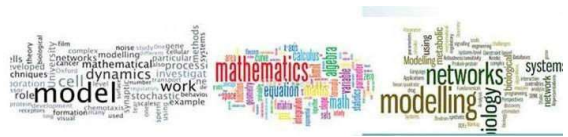


Figure 9: Workflow of Big Data, Machine Learning and Social Media

7. CONCLUSION

Machine learning algorithms can perform tasks without being explicitly programmed to do so. For more advanced tasks, it can be challenging for a human to manually create the needed algorithms. In practice, it can turn out to be more effective to help the machine develop its own algorithm, rather than having human programmers specify every needed step. The discipline of machine learning employs various approaches to teach computers to accomplish tasks where no fully satisfactory algorithm is available. In cases where vast numbers of potential answers exist, one approach is to label some of the correct answers as valid. This can then be used as training data for the computer to improve the algorithm(s) it uses to determine correct answers.

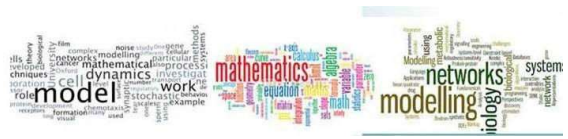


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