



Sentimental Analysis On Amazon Reviews

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Abstract: Sentiment analysis, a fundamental task in natural language processing (NLP), aims to determine the emotional tone conveyed in textual data, providing valuable insights into user opinions and preferences. With the rapid expansion of online platforms and the proliferation of customer feedback, businesses increasingly rely on automated sentiment classification to enhance decision-making and customer engagement. This study explores the potential of deep learning in sentiment analysis by employing Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) to analyze sentiment in Amazon product reviews. The research leverages a large dataset of Amazon reviews, encompassing diverse product categories and varying sentiment intensities, to develop a robust classification model. The preprocessing pipeline includes text cleaning, tokenization, stopword removal, stemming, and vectorization to convert raw textual data into a structured format suitable for model training. Feature extraction is performed using techniques such as word embeddings (Word2Vec, GloVe, or FastText), ensuring that the deep learning models capture contextual relationships and semantic nuances within the text. The CNN model, known for its ability to detect local patterns and hierarchical features in text data, demonstrates a test accuracy of 90.66%, while the RNN model, capable of learning sequential dependencies and long-term relationships in textual sequences, achieves a test accuracy of 90.82%. These results underscore the effectiveness of deep learning in sentiment classification, with CNN excelling in computational efficiency and RNN offering superior sequential processing capabilities. The study also considers hybrid architectures, such as Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks and Bidirectional Gated Recurrent Units (Bi-GRU), to enhance performance further. Beyond technical implementation, this research highlights the growing significance of automating large-scale sentiment analysis in the era of digital transformation. Businesses can harness AI-driven sentiment classification to analyze consumer feedback, improve product recommendations, predict market trends, and enhance customer satisfaction. The ability to extract meaningful insights from vast volumes of customer reviews provides a competitive advantage, enabling companies to make data-driven decisions, refine marketing strategies, and foster stronger customer relationships. This study contributes to the evolving landscape of AI-powered sentiment analysis, paving the way for scalable and real-time applications in e-commerce analytics, social media monitoring, and customer experience management. Future research directions include integrating attention mechanisms, transformer-based architectures like BERT or GPT, and domain-specific fine-tuning to further optimize sentiment classification models and improve interpretability.

Keywords: Sentiment Analysis, Amazon Reviews, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN), Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN), Deep Learning, AI-driven Analytics.

1. Introduction

Sentiment analysis has become an essential component of customer feedback analysis, offering businesses a powerful tool to gain insights into user satisfaction, product improvement, and brand perception. In the digital age, e-commerce platforms such as Amazon generate vast amounts of textual data in the form of customer reviews, which serve as a rich source of information about consumer opinions, expectations, and concerns. Analyzing these reviews allows businesses to identify emerging trends, detect shifts in customer sentiment, and enhance the overall shopping experience. By leveraging sentiment analysis, organizations can personalize recommendations, optimize product offerings, and refine user engagement strategies, thereby fostering customer loyalty and increasing sales. With the growing reliance on online marketplaces, understanding customer sentiment is crucial for product development, targeted marketing, and reputation management. Businesses can use sentiment analysis to gauge public perception, monitor customer satisfaction, and proactively address concerns before they escalate. This capability is especially valuable in brand reputation management, where timely responses to negative feedback can significantly improve customer retention and trust. Moreover, by analyzing consumer sentiment, companies can fine-tune their marketing campaigns, develop more effective advertising strategies, and align their products with customer preferences. However, interpreting sentiment in text presents numerous challenges due to the nuanced nature of human language. Customers express opinions using sarcasm, idioms, slang, informal phrasing, and varying sentence structures, making it difficult for traditional sentiment analysis techniques to accurately detect sentiment polarity. Conventional approaches, such as lexicon-based or rule-based methods, often struggle with these complexities, leading to misclassification and inaccurate sentiment representation. To address these limitations, more sophisticated AI-driven solutions are required, capable of understanding context, detecting subtle emotional cues, and handling diverse linguistic expressions.

In this study, we explore the potential of deep learning techniques, specifically Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs), for sentiment analysis. CNNs, primarily known for their success in image processing, have demonstrated remarkable effectiveness in text classification by identifying spatial relationships and local patterns within textual data. By leveraging convolutional layers and filters, CNNs can extract key sentiment-related features from word embeddings and enhance classification accuracy. On the other hand, RNNs, particularly Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Gated Recurrent Units (GRU), excel in processing sequential data by capturing contextual dependencies and long-range relationships between words. Unlike traditional models, RNNs preserve the order of words, making them highly effective in understanding sentiment expressed in complex sentence structures. By employing both CNN and RNN architectures, this study aims to harness their complementary strengths to improve sentiment classification performance. To validate the effectiveness of these models, we apply them to a curated dataset of Amazon product reviews, covering a wide range of product categories and sentiment intensities. The project follows a structured workflow, including data preprocessing, feature extraction, model training, evaluation, and comparison of results. This research aims to enhance sentiment classification accuracy, demonstrating the potential of deep learning in natural language processing (NLP) tasks. Furthermore, our study highlights how these techniques can effectively handle linguistic diversity and complexity, paving the way for scalable, real-world applications in text analytics, social media monitoring, and customer experience management. In an era of rapid advancements in AI and deep learning, sentiment analysis continues to evolve, offering businesses new opportunities to extract actionable insights from consumer feedback. As deep learning models become increasingly sophisticated and interpretable, they are set to play a pivotal role in understanding consumer behavior, improving decision-making, and shaping personalized digital experiences. By adopting AI-driven sentiment analysis solutions, businesses can stay ahead of market trends, foster stronger customer relationships, and maintain a competitive edge in the ever-evolving landscape of e-commerce and digital marketing.

2 Literature review

Tanjim Ul Haque et al. worked on sentiment classification in their paper, utilizing a combination of feature extraction techniques such as Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency (TF-IDF), Chi-Square, and Bag-of-Words to improve classification performance. To evaluate the effectiveness of different classifiers, multiple models were tested, including Naïve Bayes, Support Vector Machines (SVM), Random Forest, and Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD). Among these, the Support Vector Machine (SVM) model achieved the highest accuracy of 94.02%, demonstrating its superior performance in sentiment classification[1]. Emilie Coyne et al. explored the application of various machine learning models for sentiment classification, including Naïve Bayes (NB), Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) networks. Previous research has indicated that SVM tends to perform better on large datasets, while Random Forest provides more accurate results in certain cases. Among the tested models, LSTM achieved the highest accuracy of 90%, demonstrating its effectiveness in capturing complex patterns in sentiment analysis[2]. Nishit Shrestha et al. discussed the evolution of sentiment analysis in their paper, highlighting the shift from traditional methods like bag-of-words and n-grams to advanced deep learning approaches. The introduction of word embeddings such as Word2Vec and paragraph vectors has significantly improved sentiment analysis accuracy by capturing semantic relationships between words. Additionally, deep learning models like Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) and Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) have been successfully applied to sentiment classification, further enhancing the effectiveness of sentiment analysis techniques[3]. Elsharif Ibrahim et al. explored the role of sentiment classification in detecting unfair reviews that could manipulate a product's rating. Various classification methods were applied, including Naïve Bayes, Decision Tree (J48), Logistic Regression (LR), and Support Vector Machine (SVM). Among these, Logistic Regression demonstrated the best performance, achieving the highest accuracy of 81.61%, making it an effective approach for identifying biased or misleading reviews[4]. Ching-Yu Huang et al. conducted a study on sentiment classification of Amazon product reviews, utilizing machine learning models such as Naïve Bayes, Support Vector Machines (SVM), and Decision Trees. While prior research suggests that deep learning models can enhance accuracy, traditional classifiers like SVM continue to perform well, especially with structured datasets. In their study, the SVM model achieved the highest accuracy of 85%, demonstrating its effectiveness in sentiment classification for product reviews[5]. The study compares various machine learning models, including Logistic Regression, Naïve Bayes, Random Forest, Bi-LSTM, and BERT, for sentiment classification. Prior research has demonstrated that deep learning models like BERT outperform traditional classifiers in sentiment analysis tasks. In this study, BERT achieved the highest accuracy of 91%, surpassing both Random Forest and Support Vector Machine (SVM), highlighting its effectiveness in capturing complex language patterns for sentiment classification[6]. K. S. Srujan et al. conducted a study on sentiment analysis of Amazon book reviews using various classifiers, including K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Decision Tree (DT), Support Vector Machine (SVM), Random Forest (RF), and Naïve Bayes (NB). Previous research indicates that SVM is one of the best-performing classifiers for sentiment classification, often achieving accuracy levels above 90%. In this study, SVM demonstrated superior performance, achieving an accuracy of 94%, making it the most effective classifier among those tested[7]. Sanjay Dey et al. conducted a study comparing Support Vector Machine (SVM) and Naïve Bayes classifiers for sentiment analysis of Amazon product reviews. Prior studies have indicated that SVM models often outperform Naïve Bayes when working with large datasets. The research also references previous works that applied Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency (TF-IDF) for feature extraction. In their study, the Naïve Bayes model achieved an accuracy of 81%, while the SVM model performed slightly better, achieving an accuracy of 82% [8].

3 Methodology

In this research, we develop an Sentiment analysis system to classify Amazon product reviews as positive or negative. The study employs Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) to leverage their respective strengths in handling textual data. The structured methodology includes data collection, model development, training, and evaluation to ensure a comprehensive approach to sentiment classification.

Data Collection:

Curate a diverse dataset of Amazon product reviews, ensuring a balanced distribution of positive and negative sentiments.

Source the dataset from publicly available repositories such as Kaggle, ensuring authenticity and relevance.

Preprocess the text by removing special characters, stopwords, and redundant data, ensuring clean and consistent input for model training.

Model Development:

Implement a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) to extract spatial patterns in text using convolutional filters.

Develop a Recurrent Neural Network (RNN) to capture sequential dependencies and contextual relationships in text data.

Utilize pre-trained word embeddings (such as Word2Vec, GloVe, or FastText) or train embeddings from scratch to represent words in a dense vector space.

Model Training:

Train CNN and RNN models on the processed dataset using appropriate optimization algorithms (e.g., Adam) and loss functions (Binary Cross-Entropy).

Apply batch normalization and dropout layers to enhance generalization and prevent overfitting.

Implement early stopping mechanisms, ensuring the model does not overfit while maintaining optimal performance.

Model Evaluation:

Assess the performance of CNN and RNN models on the testing dataset by calculating key evaluation metrics:

Accuracy: Measures overall classification performance.

Precision & Recall: Evaluates the effectiveness of sentiment classification.

F1 Score: Balances precision and recall for robust evaluation.

Confusion Matrix: Identifies misclassifications between positive and negative sentiments.

This methodology systematically outlines the approach taken to develop a deep learning-based sentiment analysis system, integrating the capabilities of CNN and RNN for accurate and reliable sentiment classification.

Convolutional Neural Network (CNN):

In this Amazon product review sentiment analysis project, a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) is employed to efficiently extract features from textual data and classify sentiments as positive or negative. While CNNs are traditionally used for image processing, they have demonstrated remarkable performance in Natural Language Processing (NLP) tasks, particularly in capturing local patterns within text.

Feature Extraction: CNN applies convolutional filters to detect important word patterns and relationships, making it effective in understanding n-gram features (e.g., phrases and local dependencies).

Efficiency: Unlike sequential models like RNNs, CNN processes text in parallel, reducing training time and improving scalability.

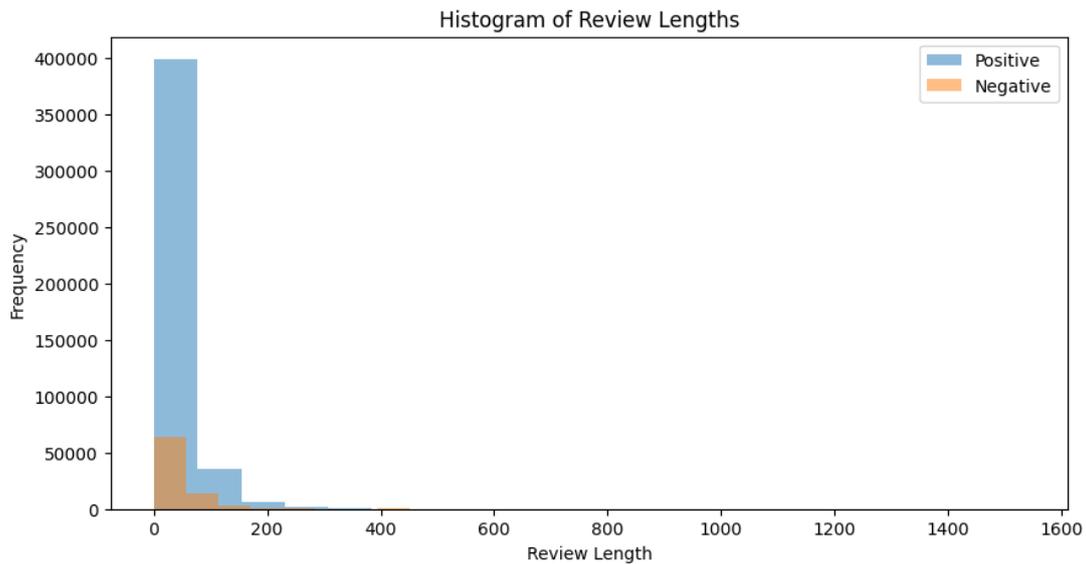
Hierarchical Representation: By stacking multiple convolutional and pooling layers, CNN can learn low-level (word-based) and high-level (sentence-based) representations, improving sentiment classification accuracy.

Recurrent Neural Network (RNN):

In this project, Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN) are employed for sentiment analysis of Amazon product reviews. RNNs are particularly effective for tasks involving sequential data like text, where the order of words plays a crucial role in understanding the overall sentiment. Here's how RNNs contribute to the sentiment analysis process:

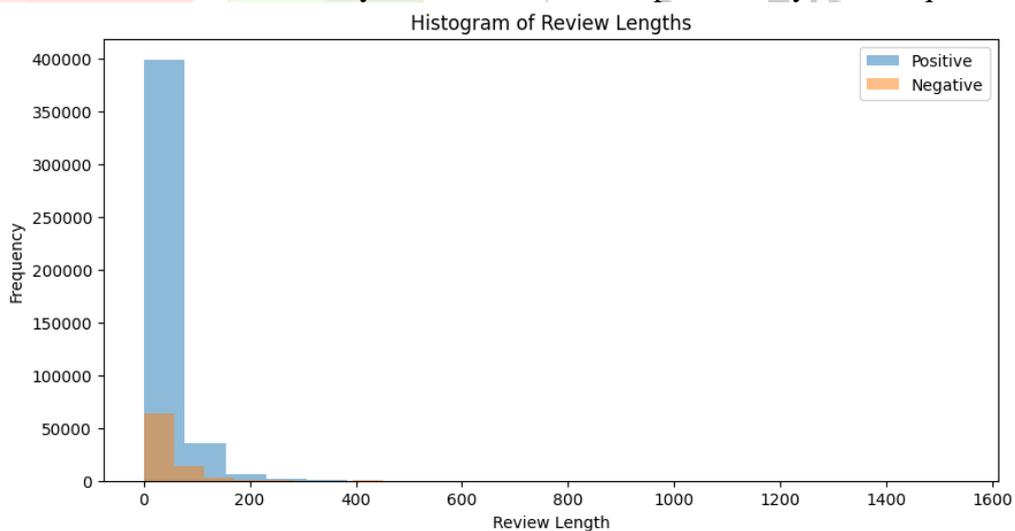
Sequential Nature of Text: In text data, the order of words is essential for determining the sentiment. For example, the meaning of the sentence "I love this phone, it's amazing!" differs from "This phone is amazing, I love it!" Despite the same words, their order influences sentiment, which is where RNN shines.

Contextual Understanding: RNNs capture the context and dependencies of words in a sentence. It allows the model to learn from the past (previous words) to predict the sentiment of the current word or sentence. This is especially important for identifying sentiment in reviews where the sentiment may change over time or depend on the overall tone of the review.



Layer (Type)	Output Shape	Param #
embedding (Embedding)	(None, 100, 100)	9,854,900
conv1d (Conv1D)	(None, 96, 128)	64,128
global_max_pooling1d (GlobalMaxPooling1D)	(None, 128)	0
dense (Dense)	(None, 64)	8,256
dropout (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 1)	65
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Trainable params: 9,927,349 (37.87 MB)		
Non-trainable params: 0 (0.00 Byte)		

The RNN model showed slightly better performance compared to the CNN model, achieving an accuracy of 90.82%. The RNN’s ability to process sequential data allowed it to better capture contextual dependencies and long-range relationships between words in the reviews. This made it more adept at understanding the nuanced sentiment within the text, such as tone or meaning derived from word order. The RNN’s higher accuracy reflects its strength in processing language in a sequential manner, which is often crucial for tasks like sentiment analysis where the context provided by word sequences is essential.



Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
embedding (Embedding)	(None, 100, 100)	9,854,900
lstm (LSTM)	(None, 128)	117,248
dense (Dense)	(None, 1)	129
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Trainable params: 9,972,277 (38.04 MB)		
Non-trainable params: 0 (0.00 Byte)		

Both models showed strong performance, indicating their suitability for the task of sentiment classification. The CNN model excelled at identifying spatial features in the text, while the RNN model took advantage of its sequential processing capabilities to improve sentiment prediction accuracy.

6 Conclusion

In this research, we explored the application of deep learning models, specifically Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNN), for sentiment analysis of Amazon product reviews. The primary goal was to assess how well these models could classify sentiment into two categories: positive and negative, based on the textual content of customer reviews. Both the CNN and RNN models demonstrated strong performance, achieving impressive accuracy rates. The CNN model achieved an accuracy of 90.66%, indicating its capability to capture essential features within the reviews by identifying spatial patterns in the text. The RNN model, on the other hand, outperformed the CNN slightly, achieving 90.82% accuracy. This can be attributed to the RNN's ability to process and understand the sequential nature of language, capturing contextual dependencies that are often crucial for sentiment interpretation.

These results underline the strength of deep learning models in understanding and classifying sentiment from large and complex datasets like those found in Amazon reviews. The CNN excelled in extracting local features efficiently, which contributed to its high accuracy, while the RNN model leveraged its sequential processing to understand the context of reviews better, giving it a slight edge in performance. The success of these models in sentiment analysis opens up many opportunities for businesses. By applying such AI-driven techniques, companies can gain valuable insights from customer feedback, enabling them to improve product recommendations, tailor marketing strategies, and ultimately enhance the customer experience. The ability to automatically classify sentiment at scale can help businesses react faster to customer concerns, predict trends, and foster better customer relationships. Moreover, the results demonstrate the growing potential of AI and deep learning in natural language processing tasks. As AI technology continues to evolve, the capability of these models to accurately analyze complex data like customer reviews will only improve. This research serves as a step toward leveraging deep learning to automate and refine sentiment analysis, providing businesses with a powerful tool to understand consumer behavior and make informed decisions that drive success.

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