

A Machine Learning Approach for Cross Script Named Entity Recognition

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Abstract

An essential information extraction subtask is named entity recognition (NER). Multiword phrases with specific meaning, such as those referring to people, places, or organisations, are recognised and categorised. Most of the time, these expressions convey the text's main ideas. Better document structuring and text filtering can be done using this information. It can be a source of data for additional natural language processing (NLP) operations like question answering, summarization, or machine translation.

The NER framework as it is now has two main problems. The system must be calibrated for each new language or domain, which is the first problem. When a framework made for one space is used in another, the quality of the result suffers significantly. Even more challenging is the change from one language to another. The second problem is the lack of external and semantic information, which is important for people to recognise names in texts like posts on online forums.

Using a variety of machine learning algorithms, including the Naive Bayes Classifier, Support Vector Machine, Random Forest Classifier, and Conditional Random Filed, this paper describes the development of the NER framework for the Wikipedia dataset crawled based on coarse NE Indian Cross Script context (list of person, location, organisation, and miscellaneous). The framework makes use of a variety of attributes that aid in the prediction of various named entities (NEs). Language dependent as well as language independent features are included in the set of features employed in this work. We created a dataset of 2916 course NEs from the Cross script Roman Hindi Wikipedia article and tagged them with a set of four different NE classes. Only the labels for Person names, Location names, Organization names, and Miscellaneous were counted. The 584 NE course token sets have been used to test the framework. The accuracy and F1 measurement of the performance are assessed. The Naive Bayes Classifier, Support Vector Machine Classifier, Random Forest, and Conditional Random Filed Classifier all produce F1-measures of 0.75 for Person name, Location name, and Organization name, 0.76 for Location name, 0.78 for Organization name, and 0.85 for Location name. When applying the Naive Bayes Classifier, the accuracy for Person name, Location name, and Organization name is seen to be 78%, 80%, and 81% respectively.

Keywords— *Named Entity Recognition, Natural language processing, Machine Classifier, Naïve Bayes Classifier, Random Filed Classifier, Cross Script coarse.*

I. INTRODUCTION

For various Information Extraction (IE) and Natural Language Processing tasks, NER is typically used to detect information units like names, including person, place, and organisation names, as well as quantitative expressions like time, date, percent, and money expressions. These textual entities were identified and classified as one of the crucial information extraction subtasks and were given the name Named Entity Recognition and Classification (NER). Despite the fact that these cases seem straightforward, they often involve complicated rules. For instance, when is India's history an organisation and when is it an artefact? When is the White House a place, when is it a company? Are a bank's branch offices considered an organisation? Is phone number a

numeric expression or a location? Is a street name a location? Is early in the day a time? Keeping these things in mind the end goal is to accomplish the consistency of human annotator.

By starting with an un-annotated block of text like "Mr. Donald Trump won the U.S. presidential election on November 8, 2016" and creating an annotated block of text like "PERS> Mr. Donald Trump /PERS> won the LOC> U.S /LOC> presidential election on TIME> November 8, 2016 /TIME>," various research on the NER framework has been done.

Cross-script Named Entity Recognition (CSNER) is a branch of knowledge that deals with the identification of named entities published in languages other than their native tongue.

Cross script has been built in this effort. It is suggested to find named entities like people, places, organisations, and miscellaneous using the Roman Hindi named entity dataset that is crawled from the Wikipedia page using an Indian context and model.

The vast majority of applications for named entity recognition in natural language processing (NER). The following are a few examples of applications:

NER is incredibly practical for search engines. Named Entity Recognition aids in the organisation of textual and structured data, facilitating the efficient ordering and retrieval of documents for search purposes.

Recognizing whether an entity in Cross-lingual Information Access Retrieval is a named entity or not is crucial (CLIR). The token is transliterated rather than translated if the entity is NE.

The news aggregation stage is fueled by NER. The information can be examined by using NEs, such as organizing the prevalence of entities over time. However, the enhancement to conventional news aggregation conducted by named entities is the way they associate between things and people.

NER observes its use in machine translation. Entities classified as NEs are typically transliterated rather than translated.

Before reading an article, if the reader could show the NEs. The article's contents would be understood by the reader in a fair manner.

In the unmanned indexing of books, NER is seen as being highly helpful. The majority of terms listed in a book's back index are NEs.

In the biological field, NER is helpful in discovering NEs such as proteins, medications, and diseases, among others.

Given that named entities (NEs) give unstructured data more organisation, named entity tagger is typically a sub-task in many information extraction processes.

II. OVERVIEW OF WORK

A supervised machine learning approach called Support Vector Machine (SVM) is utilised for problems of the regression or classification variety. SVM is frequently used for classification-related issues. Each piece of data is displayed using this approach as an n-dimensional space, where the value of n represents the number of features. Drawing the hyper plane, which clearly distinguishes the classes, is used to perform the classification. In essence, SVM are independent observation coordinates.

In SVM, creating a linear hyper-plane between two classes is straightforward. Low-dimensional input space is transformed into high-dimensional space using the Kernel function. In other terms, we claim that it transforms intractable issues into solvable ones. Kernel is typically employed for problems involving non-linear separation. Data transformation has taken place.

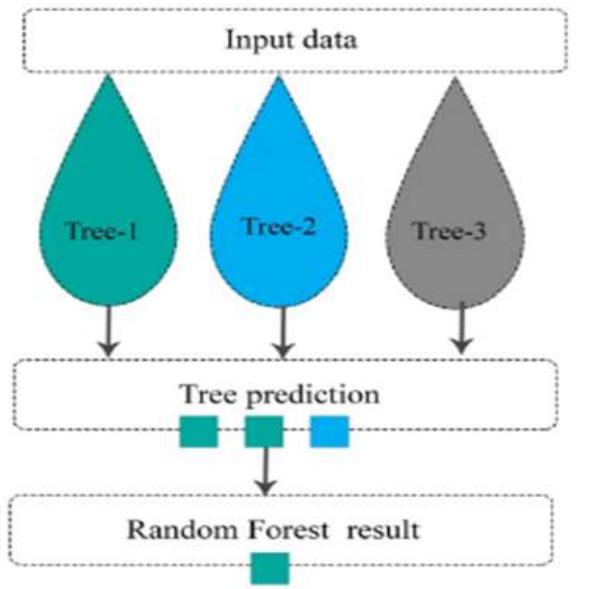


Fig 1. Random Forest Classifier

On the Wikipedia dataset, a variety of machine learning techniques are used, and the performance is assessed using a 5-fold cross validation test before the accuracy is assessed using a confusion matrix. Fig. 6.7 displays the accuracy attained by several classifiers. Using the Naive Bayes (NB) Classifier, the Support Vector Machine (SVM), the Random Forest (RF), and the Conditional Random Field, these classifiers achieve an accuracy of 78%, 80%, 82%, and 87%, respectively (CRF). Thus, based on this graph, we deduce that the Wikipedia dataset's Conditional Random Filed provides the highest level of accuracy.

III. PROS AND CONS OF NAÏVE BAYES CLASSIFIER

Pros

- NB classifier is considered simple and quick in predicting the output class of test dataset. This classifier achieves good result in multiclass prediction too.
- NB classifier performs better compared to other model like logistic regression in case of independence assumption and less training data. This classifier performs well with categorical input variable compared to numerical variable.

Cons

- In test dataset if the categorical variable has a category, which wasn't observed in training dataset then classifier will be assigned with zero probability hence it will not make prediction. This is termed as Zero frequency. This problem is resolved by using Smoothing technique. Laplace estimation is one of the smoothing techniques.
- NB classifier is considered as a bad estimator hence the output of probability from predicted probability is not taken too seriously.
- NB classifier is the hypothesis of independent predictors. It is not possible to discover the predictors set which are totally independent.

IV. OBJECTIVE OF THE WORK

The salient objectives of the study have been identified as follows:

The objective of the cross-script Named Entity Recognition (CSNER) is a subfield of information dealing with recognition of named entities. These named entities are classified into three parts by MUC-7. Entity (ENAME): person, location, organisation. Time Expression (TIME): time, date. Numeric Expression (NUME): percent, money. The dataset was prepared by crawling English-Hindi and English-Tamil language mixed tweets from twitter. In future we would like to build a large dataset and train the model by using a deep learning system

V. LITERATURE REVIEW

Literature based on the modelling of multi-storey building using floating column and transfer beam under seismic behaviour. From the detailed literature review, inference is studied.

Aravind Krishnan (2021) propose a novel approach for rapid prototyping of named entity recognisers through the development of semi-automatically annotated data sets. We demonstrate the proposed pipeline on two under-resourced agglutinating languages: the Dravidian language Malayalam and the Bantu language isiZulu. Our approach is weakly supervised and bootstraps training data from Wikipedia and Google Knowledge Graph. Moreover, our approach is relatively language independent and can consequently be ported quickly (and hence cost-effectively) from one language to another, requiring only minor language-specific tailoring.

Arnekt Iecsil Fire (2018) This corpus was compiled from the abstracts and info-box properties from DBpedia for the (IECSIL) shared task (Hullathy Balakrishnan et al., 2018). The info-box features are used to annotate long abstracts. Meta tags are translated into English using Google translator. The data set consists of 838,333 tokens overall: 59,422 PER, 29,371 LOC, and 4,841 ORG. All other tokens are labelled OTHER.

Bhargava et al (2016) describe about hybrid approach for code mixing NER in Indian Languages [4]. This framework uses hybrid strategy of a dictionary with supervised classification approach for figuring out entities in Code Mix Text of Indian Languages like Hindi-English and Tamil-English. Dataset contains 2700 Hindi-English tweets and 3200 Tamil-English tweets. There were 22 NEs present in the corpus. A word level NER framework is intended to recognize NEs in a tweet. This technique includes the pipelined approach for recognizing class of NEs. This pipelined approach has been partitioned into four stages: Pre-processing, Number Based NER, Gazetteer List Based NER and Tree Based NE Identifier. This paper attained the most astounding Precision, Recall and F1-measure as 58.84, 35.32 and 44.14 on English-Hindi language pair. For Tamil-English language pair the Precision, Recall and F1-measure is attained as 58.71, 12.21 and 20.22. The proposed framework stood fifth among the Hindi-English Systems and fourth in the case of Tamil-English.

Liu et al (2016) describe to combine a K-Nearest Neighbor classifier with a linear Conditional Random Field model to demonstrate a semi-supervised learning composition for NER framework [7]. This paper proposes a NER framework to address challenges in recognizing named entities in tweets. To conduct word level classification, a KNN based classifier is embraced. NER systems use pre-labeled results together with other traditional features and this is passed into a linear CRF model, which leads the fine grained tweets level NER. These models are repeatedly retrained with enlarged training set into which high confidently labeled tweets are included. This is a hybrid framework of KNN & CRF model under a semi-supervised learning framework which separates this model from the existing framework. There are 30 gazetteers used by this framework, which covers common names, countries, locations, temporal expressions and so on. The dataset is prepared by manual annotation of 12,245 tweets as the test. Result observed by this framework demonstrates that this model beats the baselines framework. The result is attained in terms of Precision: 81.6% Recall: 78.8% and F1-measure: 80.2% with KNN classifier & the Precision: 82.6%, Recall: 74.8% and F measure: 78.5% without KNN classifier.

Gupta et al (2016) describe about the hybrid approach from code mixed language pairs for entity extraction such as English-Tamil & English-Hindi [1]. The hand-crafted feature set is used by the outcome of classifier. The dataset was prepared by crawling English-Hindi and English-Tamil language mixed tweets from twitter. There were total of 22 entities in training dataset where majority of the entities belong to 'Entertainment', 'Person' 'Location' and 'Organization'. Dataset contains 2700 English-Hindi tweets and 2183 English-Tamil tweets. For NER exhaustive set of features are used. These features are portrayed as Context word, Character n-gram, Word normalization, Prefix and Suffix, Word Class Feature, Word Position, Number of Upper case Characters, Test Word Probability and Binary Features. Tokenization and Token Encoding were executed as a major aspect of pre-processing. For labeling the sequence of token CRF classifier is used. After labeling obtained from CRF classifier, the rule and dictionary based post-processing was performed. This paper achieved highest Precision of 81.15% and f-measure of 62.17% on English-Hindi mixed language pair among all the

submitted system. For Tamil-English language pair Precision, Recall and F-score is achieved as 79.92%, 30.47% and 44.12%. This framework achieves the best result among the frameworks for code mixed English-Tamil language pair participated in the CMEE-IL task.

Srivastava et al (2011) describe about the hybrid architecture of machine learning & rule based approach to identify NEs [10]. Various machine learning statistical approaches like MaxEnt, CRF and Rule based approach have been experimented on linguistic rules. In overcoming the restrictions of statistical models, linguistic approach plays a vital role for rich language like Hindi. The proposed framework uses voting method additionally to enhance the result of NER. For this work, dataset is obtained from IJCNLP08 website and SSF format is used in annotated Hindi corpus. The framework is trained on the training dataset of 10, 50, 100 and 150 files and tested on 10 files repeatedly for 10 rounds. The result is evaluated by CRF as Precision: 74.28%, Recall: 33.37% and F1-measure: 46.43% using 10 fold cross validation test.

Ekbal and Bandyopadhyay (2010) describe about the development of NER framework for Bengali & Hindi using SVM [3]. This framework uses contextual information of the entities with the variety of features that are helpful in identifying NEs. The dataset contains labeled annotated corpora of 122,467 tokens for Bengali and 502,974 tokens for Hindi with 12 NE classes. This framework uses unsupervised algorithm to induce the lexical context patterns from the part of unlabeled Bengali news corpus. The features are used as lexical patterns to enhance the framework performance. The NER framework is tested with test set of 35K tokens for Bengali and 60K tokens for Hindi. The evaluation result is observed as Precision: 80.12% Recall: 88.61% and F-score: 84.15% for Bengali and Precision: 74.34%, Recall: 80.23%, and F-score: 77.17% for Hindi

Ekbal et al (2008) describes the development of NER framework for Bengali using the statistical CRFs [9]. This framework uses contextual information of the tokens with the variety of features that are useful in identifying NE classes. The dataset is prepared from the leading Bengali newspaper by tagging NE Bengali news corpus. This framework is trained with 150K tokens with a NE tag set of 17 tags. The experimental result is evaluated with average Recall: 93.8%, Precision: 87.8% and F-Score: 90.7% using 10-fold cross validation test.

Nayan et al (2008) describe about recognition of NEs for Indian languages [5]. In this framework, various languages based on their similar phonetic matching strategy were used to match the strings. This model uses language independent approach and requires set of rules suitable for language. Firstly, the two tokens to be coordinated must be entitled in a ordinary script. Hence, they confront two decisions. It must change two tokens into some usual intermediate demonstration or transliterate the names written in Indian language to English & then it finds phonetic identity. The designed framework comprises of following module: Crawler, Parser, Phonetic Matcher, Transliteration Rules, and Baseline Task. The framework is tested with dataset which contains both English & Hindi language. The web crawler is used to crawl named entity list of both English & Hindi languages hence the idea of similar dataset is embedded. The evaluation result is observed for English corpus in terms of Precision, Recall as 81.40% and 81.39%. The framework is tested on 1000 sentences and the result for Hindi is observed as: Precision 80.2% for all named entities, Recall 47.4% for person entities, Recall 42.9% for organization entities and Recall 74.6% for location entities.

VI. DATASET PREPARATION

To identify the entities from Cross script Roman Hindi Wikipedia dataset, we have followed three step approaches.

Entities	Number of Entities
PERSON	1883
LOCATION	492
ORGANIZATION	388
MISCELLANEOUS	153

TOTAL	2916
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Table 2. Dataset statistics for Wikipedia Cross script Roman-Hindi NER

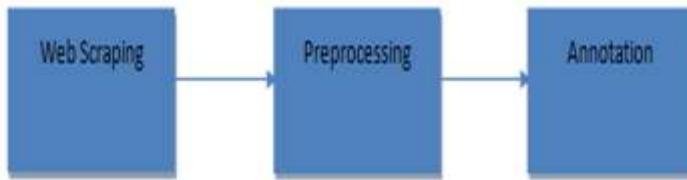


Fig.2. Corpus generation for Named Entity Recognition

There are various machine learning algorithms used in this work, these algorithms are named as Naïve Bayes Classifier, Support vector Machine, Random Forest and Conditional Random Filed. The features extracted from the training dataset are fed into the machine learning algorithm and then the model is trained according to extracted features from the trained dataset; i.e. by using these feature vectors of training dataset the classifier is trained and model is built in such a way that on unseen data it should predict the entities.

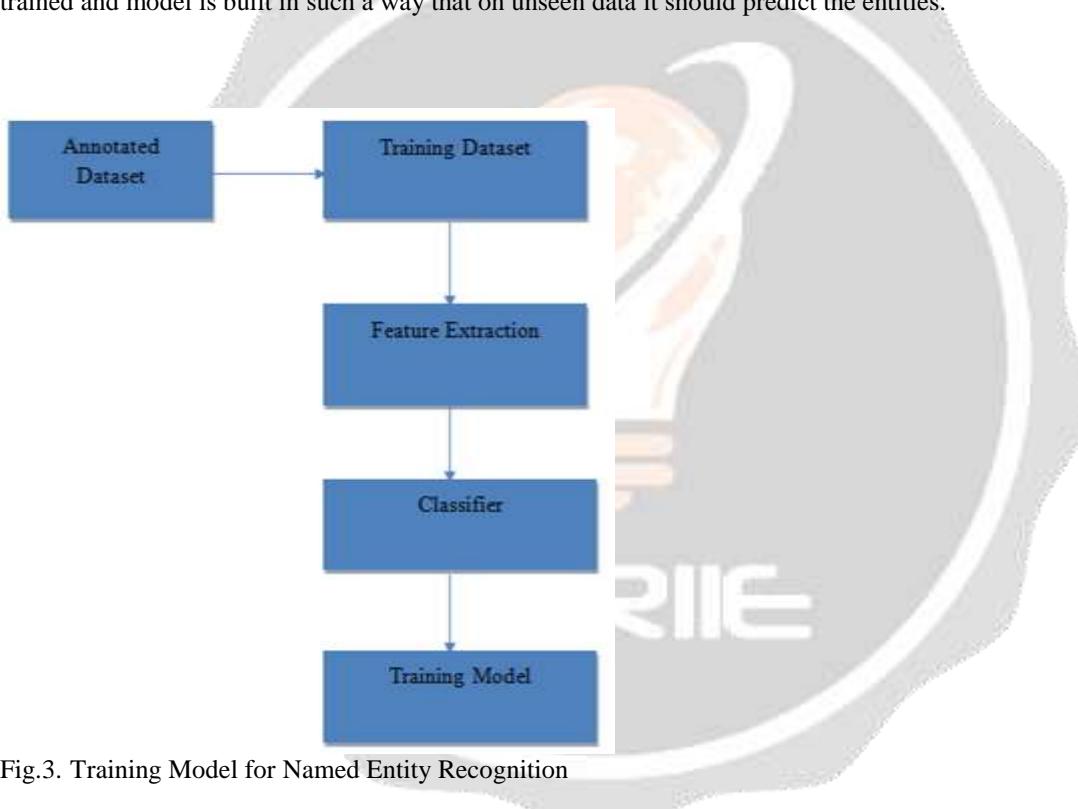


Fig.3. Training Model for Named Entity Recognition

VII. RESULT

The model is built by using Naïve Bayes Classifier. There are four different named entities and these are person name, location name, organization name and miscellaneous. The results of these entities are evaluated in term of Precision, Recall, F1-measure as PER:

Entities	Precision	Recall	F1-score	Support
PER	0.84	0.92	0.88	1883
LOC	0.65	0.90	0.76	492
ORG	0.65	0.20	0.31	388
MISC	0.44	0.14	0.21	153
Avg./Total	0.76	0.78	0.75	2916

Table.3. Named Entity result using Naïve Bayes Classifier

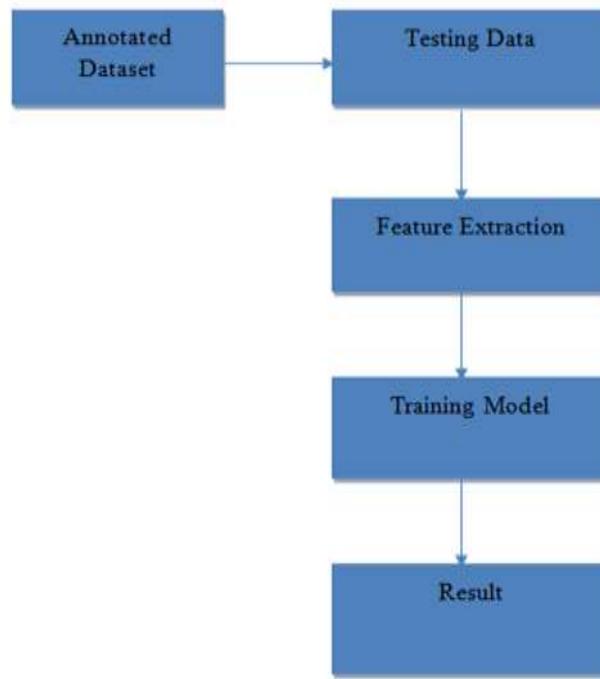


Fig.4. Testing Model for Named Entity Recognition

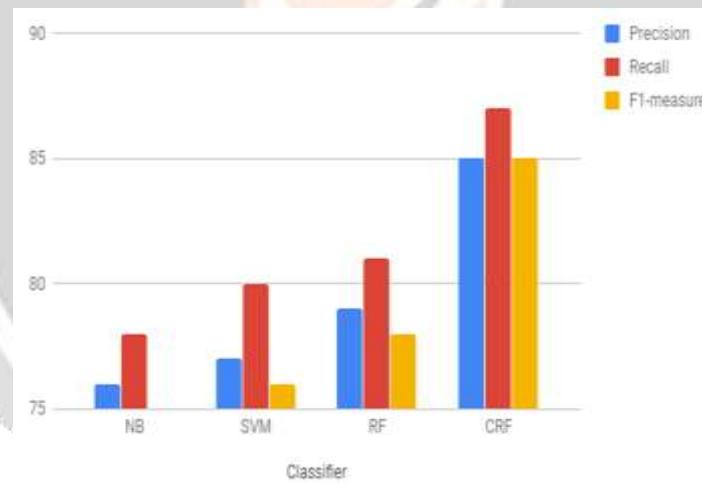


Fig.5. Precision, Recall and F1-measure

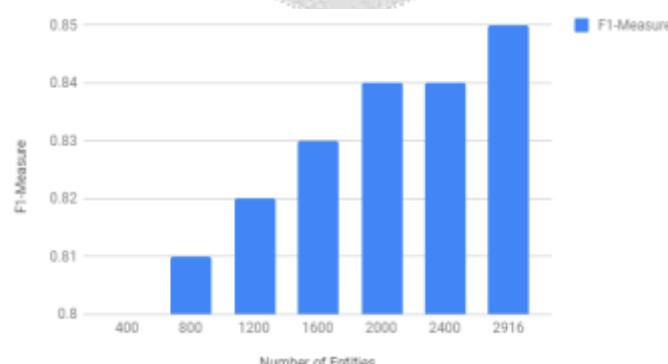


Fig.6. F1-Measure Vs Number of Entities

Named Entity Recognition system is developed for Cross script Roman Hindi using various machine learning algorithms like Naïve Bayes, Support Vector Machine, Random Forest and Conditional Random Field. This framework uses various word level features that are helpful in predicting NEs. We have crawled Cross script Roman Hindi entities from Wikipedia for this work and it was tagged with a tag set of four tags. namely Person, Location, Organization and Miscellaneous. The framework uses language dependent as well as language independent features. The performance is evaluated in terms of F1-measure and accuracy. The F1-measure for Person name, Location name, Organization name is observed as 0.75 using Naïve Bayes Classifier, 0.76 using Support vector Machine Classifier, 0.78 using Random Forest and 0.85 using Conditional Random Filed Classifier. The accuracy for Person name, Location name, Organization name is observed as 78% using Naïve Bayes Classifier, 80% using Support vector Machine Classifier, 81% using Random Forest and 87% using Conditional Random Filed Classifier. By this, we conclude that the Conditional Random Field gives the best F1-measure and accuracy on Wikipedia NER dataset. In future we would like to build large dataset and train the model by using deep learning system.

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