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# An Evaluation of Naïve Bayesian Classifier for Anti-Spam Filtering Techniques

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**ABSTRACT:** An efficient anti-spam filter that would block all spam, without blocking any legitimate messages is a growing need. To address this problem, we examine the effectiveness of statistically-based approaches Naïve Bayesian anti-spam filters, as it is content-based and self-learning (adaptive) in nature. To solve this problem the different spam filtering technique is used. The spam filtering techniques are used to protect our mailbox for spam mails. In this project, we are using the Naïve Bayesian Classifier for spam classification. The Naïve Bayesian Classifier is very simple and efficient method for spam classification. Here we are using the Lingspam dataset for classification of spam and non-spam mails. The feature extraction technique is used to extract the feature.

**KEYWORDS:** E-mail spam, Classification, Feature Extraction, Naïve Bayesian Classifier

### I. INTRODUCTION

The problem of unsolicited bulk e-mail, or spam, gets worse with every year. The vast amount of spam being sent wastes resources on the Internet, wastes time for users, and may expose children to unsuitable contents (e.g. pornography). This development has stressed the need for automatic spam filters. Early spam filters were instances of knowledge engineering and used hand-crafted rules (e.g. the presence of the string "buy now" indicates spam). The process of creating the rule base requires both knowledge and time, and the rules were thus often supplied by the developers of the filter. Having common and, more or less, publicly available rules made it easy for spammers to construct their e-mails to get through the filters. The difficulty in eliminating spam lies in differentiating it from a legitimate message. However, the message content of spam typically forms a distinct category rarely observed in legitimate messages, making it possible for text classifiers to be used for anti-spam filtering. The goal of this research is to examine the effectiveness of Naïve Bayesian anti-spam filters and the effect of parameter settings on the effectiveness of spam filtering. Additionally, we look at a novel modification to existing filters and incorporate it into the evaluation.

Mail filters have differing degrees of configurability. Once in a while they settle on choices taking into account coordinating a consistent expression. Different times, essential words in the message body are utilized, or may be the email location of the sender of the message. Some more propelled channels, especially hostile to spam channels, use measurable archive order methods, for example, the guileless Bayes classifier. Picture sifting can likewise be utilized that utilization complex picture examination calculations to identify skin-tones and particular body shapes typically connected with obscene pictures. Mail filters can be introduced by the client, either as independent projects (see interfaces underneath), or as a major aspect of their email project (email customer). In email programs, clients can make individual, "manual" channels that then naturally channel mail as indicated by the picked criteria. Most email projects now likewise have a programmed spam separating capacity. Network access suppliers can likewise introduce mail channels in their mail exchange operators as a support of the greater part of their clients. Because of the developing danger of fake sites, Internet administration suppliers channel URLs in email messages to uproot the risk before clients click. Normal uses for mail filters incorporate arranging incoming email and evacuation of spam and PC infections. A less basic utilization is to investigate active email at a few organizations to guarantee that workers consent to proper laws.



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Clients may additionally utilize a mail filter to organize messages, and to sort them into organizers in light of topic or other criteria.

## II. BACKGROUND STUDY AND RELATED WORK

There has been numerous numbers of studies on active learning for text classification using machine learning techniques [9]-[11], probabilistic models [12], [13]. The query by committee algorithm (Seung et al. 1992, Freund et al., 1997) used priori distribution than hypothesis. The popular techniques for text classifications are decision trees [14], [15], Naïve Bayes [14]-[16], rule induction, neural networks [14]-[16], nearest neighbors and later on Support Vector Machine [17]. Though there is lot of techniques and algorithms which have been proposed so far, the text classification is not yet accurate and faultless and still in demand of improvement.

Web spam which is a major issue throughout today's web search tool; consequently it is important for web crawlers to have the capacity to detect web spam amid creeping. The Classification Models are designed by machine learning order algorithm. [2] The one machine learning algorithm is Naïve Bayesian Classifier which is also used in [1] to separate the spam and non-spam mails. Big Data analyzing framework which is also outline for spam detection. Extricate the feeling from a message is a method for get the valuable data. In Machine learning innovations can gain from the preparation datasets furthermore anticipate the choice making framework hence they are broadly utilized as a part of feeling order with the exceptionally precision of framework. [3]

Email Spam is most crucial matter in a social network. There are many problem created through spam. The spam is nothing this is unwanted message or mail which the end user doesn't want in our mail box. Because of these spam the performance of the system can be degraded and also affected the accuracy of the system. To send the unsolicited or unwanted messages which are also called spam is used in Electronic spamming. In this project explain about the email spam, where how spam can spoil the performance of mailing system. In the previous study there are many types of spam classifier are present too detect the spam and non-spam mails.

There are different email filtering techniques are also used in spam detection. Mostly popular filters or classifier are: Decision tree classifier, Negative Selection Algorithm, Genetic Algorithm Support Vector Machine Classifier, Bayesian Classifier etc. From the previous study we identify that Support Vector Machine (SVM Classifier) are used for email spam classification. But it takes very much time for detecting spam. The SVM Classifier has also wrongly classified the messages. So the system can be on a risk. The error rate of SVM Classifier is very high. In this project there is also discussion in the Feature Selection process. There are different feature extraction techniques are present which are used in extracting the messages.

**Solution of the Problem:** To solve the problem of previous study in this project we are using the Naive Bayesian Classifier for classify the spam and non-spam mails. The naive Bayesian Classifier is one of the most popular and simplest methods for classification. Naïve Bayesian Classifiers are highly scalable, learning problem the number of features are required for the number of linear parameter. Training of the large data simple can be easily done with Naive Bayesian Classifier, which takes a very less time as compared to other classifier. The accuracy of system is increase using Naive Bayesian Classifier.

## III. METHODOLOGY

E-mail spam classification has major issue in today's electronic world. To solve this problem the different spam classification methods are used. Using this spam detection technique we can identify the spam and non-spam mails in our mailbox. In this work we are using the Naïve Bayesian Classifier for email spam classification.

In this work also use feature extraction techniques for providing efficient dataset. The feature extraction techniques are used when the input data is too large and it is redundant in nature so feature is extracted to obtain an accurate result. In this work we are using the word-count algorithm for extracting feature from the dataset.

Here we use the Lingspam data set which contains total 960 mails in which 700 are train dataset and 260 are test dataset. The train and test data are further divided in two parts spam mails and non-spam i.e. 50% of train dataset are spam dataset and 50% are non-spam dataset as same for the test dataset.



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- Step 1:** Select the file from the dataset.
- Step 2:** Pre-process the file and removing the stop-word.
- Step3:** Count the total word of the file and find the uniqueness of that file.
- Step 4:** Calculate the frequency of words.
- Step 5:** Make a dictionary and store the file path.
- Step 6:** Extracted Feature.

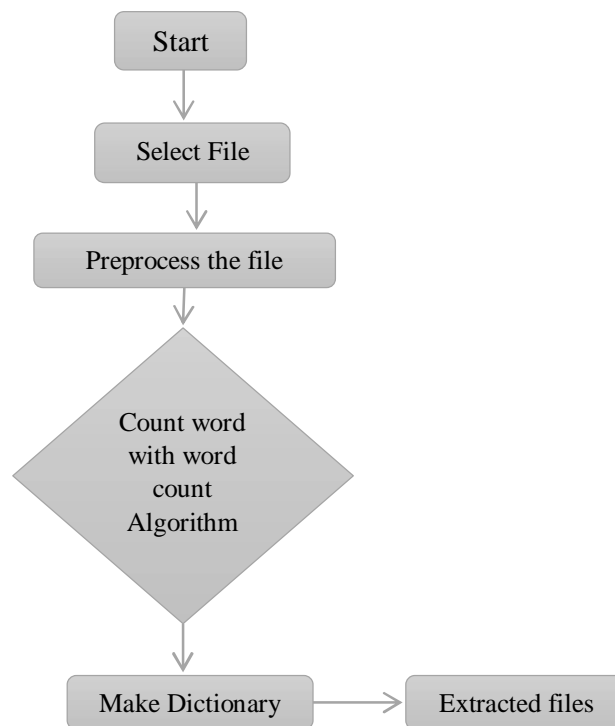


Figure.1 Feature Extraction Method

**Description:** In this feature extraction word-count algorithm in which three steps are present they are pre-processing, count the word, make dictionary. The first is to select the file from the dataset. Then second pre-process the data in which first remove the stop word and non-words from the document. The third step for feature extraction is to count the unique word from total number of words. So we can calculate the frequency of that word in a document. The fourth step is to make a dictionary and store the path of document this can solve the redundancy problem. The extracted data are received after all steps are complete.  
The proposed methodology:



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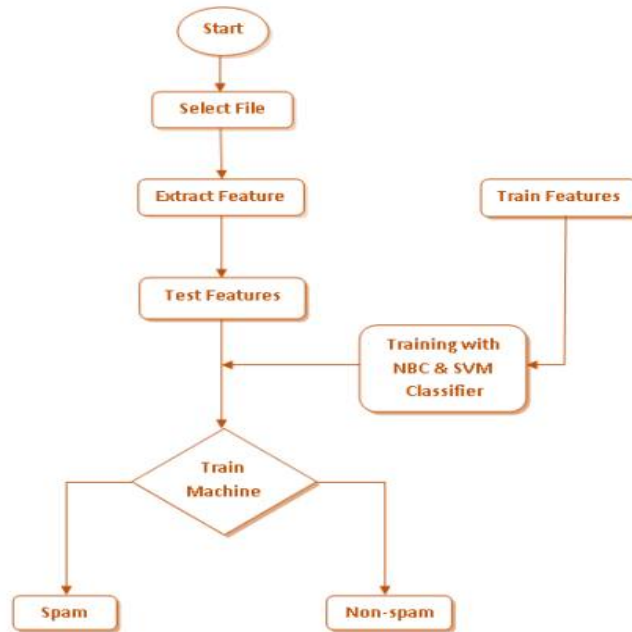


Figure.2 The Proposed MethodologyAlgorithm:

**Step 1:** Select the file

**Step2:** Extracting the feature with help of word countalgorithm.

**Step 3:** Training the dataset with the help of Naive BayesianClassifier.

**Step 4:** Find the probability of spam and non-spam mails.

$Prob\_spam = (\text{sum}(\text{train\_matrix}(\text{spam\_indices},)) + 1) / (\text{spam\_wc} + \text{numtokens})$

$Prob\_nonspam = (\text{sum}(\text{train\_matrix}(\text{nonspam\_indices},)) + 1) / (\text{nonspam\_wc} + \text{numtokens})$

**Step 5:** Testing the dataset  
 $\log\_a = \text{test\_matrix} * (\log(\text{prob\_tokens\_spam}))'$  +  $\log(\text{prob\_spam})$   
 $\log\_b = \text{test\_matrix} * (\log(\text{prob\_tokens\_nonspam}))'$  +  $\log(1 - \text{prob\_spam})$

if

output =  $\log\_a > \log\_b$  then document are spam

else the document are non-spam

**Step 6:** Classify the spam and non-spam mails.

**Step 7:** compute the error of the text data and calculate the word which is wrongly classified  
 $\text{Numdocs\_wrong} = \text{sum}(\text{xor}(\text{output}, \text{text\_lables}))$

**Step 8:** display the error rate of text data and calculate the fraction of wrongly classified word  
 $\text{Fraction\_wrong} = \text{numdocs\_wrong} / \text{numtest\_docs}$

**Description:** In this work we are describing the method which is used to perform e-mail spam classification. The first step is to select the file from the dataset and apply the feature extraction technique for extracted feature. For which we are using the word-count algorithm. The next step is training the dataset which are extracted by the feature extraction technique. For training the data we can calculate the probability of spam and non-spam words in the document. The next step is to test the data with the help of Naive Bayesian Classifier for which calculation the probability of spam and non-spam mails and make a prediction which value is higher. If spam words are greater than non-spam words in a mail then the mail is spam mails otherwise non-spam mails.



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In the next step we are calculating the words which are wrongly classified by the classifier and calculate accuracy of the classifier and also calculate the error rate of classifier by calculating the fraction of word which is wrongly classified and total number of words in document.

## V. CONCLUSION & FUTURE SCOPE

Automatic text categorization is the task of assigning level of different categorization. In our paper it's between spam and ham and to make this procedure in reality we have incorporated. To solve this problem create an email spam classification system and identifies the spam and non-spam mails. Here we are using the Naïve Bayesian Classifier and extracting the word using word-count algorithm. After calculation we find that naïve Bayesian classifier has more accurate the support vector machine. The error rate is very low when we are using the Naïve Bayesian Classifier.

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