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# BULLYNET: UNMASKING CYBERBULLIES ON SOCIAL NETWORKS

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## ABSTRACT

Cyberbullying is the utilization of technology as a medium to menace somebody. Social networking sites give a prolific medium for menaces who utilize these sites to assault or harass helpless youthful grownups. Through Machine learning, we can distinguish language designs utilized by menaces and create rules to consequently recognize digital harassing content. Most of the works related to cyberbullying detection using machine learning have been proposed on languages such as English, Chinese and Arabic. Very few works have been done on regional Indian languages. In this paper, we have proposed a model that recognizes cyberbullying content in an uncommon or rather regional Indian language

**Keywords:** Cyberbullying, machine learning, random forest, passive aggressive classifiers

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## INTRODUCTION

Cyberbullying is totally different from conventional harassing, however it is as yet tormenting. The results and risks continue as before, if not extended in their seriousness and span. Despite the fact that it happens through online sites rather than face to face, cyberbullying should be viewed as appropriately. At the appropriate time, cyberbullying comes in different various structures. It doesn't really mean hacking somebody's profile or presenting to be

another person. It likewise incorporates posting negative remarks about someone or spreading bits of hearsay to criticize somebody. Cyberbullying or Social Media Bullying incorporates activities and measures to control, annoy or stigmatize any individual. These horrible activities are solemnly harming and can influence anybody effectively and seriously. They basically happen via web-based media, public gatherings, and other online sites.

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**PURPOSE** The most recent decade has seen a flood of cyberbullying – this tormenting isn't simply restricted to English yet in addition it occurs in different languages. An enormous crowd is a fruitful ground for cyberbullies henceforth, it is vital to distinguish cyberbullying in different dialects. Thereby, the proposed model that we are going to develop will help in detecting cyberbullying contents in one of the outspoken and regional languages in India, i.e. Bengali. Very few works considering cyberbullying has been done in this language. We are going to use the same cyberbullying models that were used in previous works for English language. In spite of the fact that execution and performance may fluctuate because of semantic contrasts among English and non- English substance, to battle such issues, this model proposes the utilization of machine learning algorithms and the consideration of user data for detecting digital harassing on text.

### **EXISTING SYSTEM**

- Hsien[1] used an approach using keyword matching, opinion mining and social network analysis and got a precision of 0.79 and recall of 0.71 from datasets from four websites. Patxi Gal'an-Garc'ia et al.[2] proposed a hypothesis that a troll(one who cyberbullies) on a social networking sites under a fake profile always has a real profile to check how other see the fake profile. They proposed a Machine

learning approach to determine such profiles. The identification process studied some profiles which has some kind of close relation to them.

- The method used was to select profiles for study, acquire information of tweets, select features to be used from profiles and using ML to find the author of tweets. 1900 tweets were used belonging to 19 different profiles. It had an accuracy of 68% for identifying author. Later it was used in a Case Study in a school in Spain where out of some suspected students for Cyberbullying the real owner of a profile had to be found and the method worked in the case. The following method still has some shortcomings.
- For example a case where trolling account doesnt have a real account to fool such systems or experts who can change writing styles and behaviours so that no patterns are found . For changing writing styles more efficient algorithms will be needed.
- Mangaonkar et al. [3] proposed a collaborative detection method where there are multiple detection nodes connected to each other where each nodes uses either different or same algorithm and data and results were combined to produce results. P. Zhou et al.[4] suggested a B-LSTM technique based on concentration. Banerjee et al.[5]. used KNN with new embeddings to get an precision of 93%.

## DISADVANTAGES

- A vocabulary is not designed from all the documents. The vocabulary may consist of all words (tokens) in all documents or some top frequency tokens
- Tf-Idf method is not similar to the bag of words model since it uses the same way to create a vocabulary to get its features.

## LITERATURE SURVEY

In the paper [1], they arranged a dataset utilizing a java program created to separate Bangla Text discussions from online media stages essentially Facebook and Twitter, other than the discussions they likewise gathered client's segment information from Twitter utilizing Twitter Rest Api which was marked physically and sack of words approach was fused for the model. They made a model utilizing machine learning algorithms like SVM, KNN, Naive Bayes and J48 followed by evaluating the exposition of the different algorithms. They played out the examinations in two stages, in the main stage they prepared and tried model utilizing the content discussions in Bangla Text and in the second stage they included both the content based highlights and user's information. SVM beat the wide range of various calculations in the two stages One of only a handful few papers we found that attempted to recognize harmful Bangla text is paper [2], utilized a root level calculation to identify oppressive content and furthermore proposed unigram string highlights to improve result. To discover, with what sort of highlight their proposed calculation performed better, they evaluated the experiment with various different string property namely, unigram,

bigram, and trigram. The word importance in single sentence is not taken into consideration in the unigram features. In any case, words which were more harmful, it tends to be discovered utilizing this element. In the paper [3], they have created a dataset of text conversions and comment obtained from the comment sections of public posts of some popular Facebook pages. They labelled the dataset into two categories namely bully and non bully, the bully category is further divided into four sub-categories as sexual, troll, religious, and threat. They also added gender classification to the dataset mentioning who wrote the comment and to whom it was directed. Other user specific features like occupation were added to the comments in the dataset and lastly the number of reactions on the particular comment. For each column in the dataset they presented an analysis to provide further insights about the dataset. The dissemination and number of information in every classification give a decent wellspring of learning a decent machine learning model to recognize distinctive sort of cyberbullying in Bangla language. With the help of Machine Learning it can be useful to recognize language examples of domineering jerks; furthermore it can accordingly develop a model to identify digital tormenting activities. In this manner, the fundamental commitment of paper [4] was to put forward a regulated Machine learning model for distinguishing along with forestalling digital harassing in English language. The model was evaluated on a dataset containing digital harassment contents from kaggle. The consequences of SVM and Neural Network .



TFIDF as well as sentiment analysis extraction methods. It was established that Neural Network performed better compared to that of SVM classifier. Besides, this work was contrasted with another connected work that utilized the equivalent dataset, tracking down that Neural Network outflanked their classifiers regarding precision and f-score. In the paper [5], they proposed a model that provides a multilingual cyberbullying detection approach in different Indian languages mainly Hindi and Marathi, they created their own API and scraper to collect the dataset from various social media platforms, newspaper reviews and tour reviews. After manually labelling the dataset and removing all redundancies, stop words and special characters they fed the dataset into the model. Machine Learning languages like Logistic Regression, Stochastic Gradient Descent and Multinomial Naive Bayes were used for the model. Using the bag of words approach which neglects the grammar as well as the sequence or occurrence of the words but keep hold of the frequency of the words, they classified the dataset. To measure the accuracy they calculated the f1 scores of each algorithm and found that LR outperformed all the other ML algorithms with the least error rate In paper [6], they described an overview on multilingual cyberbullying recognition. After going through a lot of research, they founded that most of the work detecting cyberbullying has been done mainly in English and thereby, to have a distinctive feature in their model they attempted cyberbullying identification in Arabic language. In their work, they utilized various ML algorithms to deal with detecting

cyberbullying. The dataset that they gathered had 32 thousand tweets out of which around 1800 tweets were categorised as harassing ones. With the use of algorithms such as Support Vector Machine (SVM), Naïve Bayes they identified cyberbullying and accomplished an accuracy of about 92% and 90% respectively. The outcomes acquired by this framework were not perfect whenever contrasted with past model for English bullying detection. Yet, the point of this paper was to demonstrate that cyberbullying in Arabic language is quite recognizable which shows us that it is very much conceivable to identify harassing in other local or exceptional language too.

### **PROPOSED SYSTEM**

Cyberbullying detection is solved in this project as a binary classification problem where we are detecting two majors form of Cyberbullying: hate speech on Twitter and Personal attacks on Wikipedia and classifying them as containing Cyberbullying or not.

- **Tokenization:** In tokenization we split raw text into meaningful words or tokens. For example, the text “we will do it” can be tokenized into „we“, „will“, „do“, „it“. Tokenization can be done into words called word tokenization or sentences called sentence tokenization. Tokenization has many more variants but in the project we use Regex Tokenizer. In regex tokenizer tokens are decided based on rule which in the case is a regular expression. Tokens matching the following regular expression are chosen Eg For the regular expression

„\w+“ all the alphanumeric tokens are extracted.

- **Stemming:** Stemming is the process of converting a word into a root word or stem. Eg for three words „eating“ „eats“ „eaten“ the stem is „eat“. Since all three branch words of root „eat“ represent the same thing it should be recognized as similar. NLTK offers 4 types of stemmers: Porter Stemmer, Lancaster Stemmer, Snowball Stemmer and Regexp Stemmer. The following project uses PorterStemmer.
- **Stop word Removal:** Stop words are words that do not add any meaning to a sentence eg. some stop words for english language are: what, is, at, a etc. These words are irrelevant and can be removed. NLTK contains a list of english stop words which can be used to filter out all the tweets. Stop words are often removed from the text data when we train deep learning and Machine learning models since the information they provide is irrelevant to the model and helps in improving performance.

### ADVANTAGES

- Common Bag of Words model takes as input of multiple words and predicts the word based on the context. Input can be one word or multiple words.
- CBOW model takes a mean of context of input words but two semantics can be clicked for a single word. i.e. two vector of Apple can be predicted. First is for the firm Apple and next is Apple as a fruit.

## IMPLEMENTATION

**A. Training and Testing Dataset** In this module, we will focus in on the dataset that we have gathered, eliminating all rows with null entries at first. At that point we will dispose of any unnecessary features that could imperil our algorithm's accuracy. Here we will also divide the dataset into two sections - training and testing. 80% of the dataset will be utilized for training the model and the rest 20% we will use for checking the training models precision. The data gathered is manually labeled as either bully (sexual, threat, troll or religious) or not-bully. Along with it, the dataset also has three other columns specifying the category of the comments passed, to the gender on which the comment is made and total number of reactions for each comment.

**B. DATA PRE-PROCESSING** The data collected had to be preprocessed since it had traces of unstructured contents. It basically meant we needed to clean or trim the data in order to obtain a higher accuracy. There were various steps that were needed to be followed for preprocessing the data such as data cleaning, stop word removal, tokenization. With the help of a stop word filter we deleted any needless words on all the text conversation in line with the Bengali vocabulary. The term stop words mean those words that don't give any helpful data to decide in which category a text should be classified. For facilitating the further processes with the motive of not distinguishing among capital letters and lowercase letters, we transformed the whole data into lower case. Furthermore tokenization had to be practiced on these text contents to facilitate the feature

extraction step. Tokenization can be defined as a way of separating or isolating every word that compiles in a document or even a conversation.

**C. FEATURE EXTRACTION** The preprocessed data with text conversations will be converted into a vector space model where in these text conversations will be described with a vector of extracted features using Term Frequency Inverse Document Frequency (TFIDF). TFIDF is basically used for measuring or evaluating how relevant a word is to a document or to a collection of documents. Thus, the main aspect of TFIDF is that it performs well on the text and gets the weights of these words regarding the document or the sentence. Along with TFIDF we will also use word level feature extraction methods; this specific strategy is known as Bag of Words or “Bag of n- grams” representation. It implies that documents are defined or represented by occurrences of the words while completely neglecting the position or order of the words in the document. There are various parameter that are mostly used to combine the vectorizer and a machine learning model, one such parameter is max df used to remove terms that appear to frequently in the document.

**D. CLASSIFICATION** The final step in the proposed model is classification, where the features extracted are put into an algorithm so as to train and test the classifier and hence to determine whether it can successfully detect cyberbullying or not. We will use various machine learning methods, algorithms such as Support Vector Machine (SVM), Logistic Regression (LR), Random Forest and Passive Aggressive (PR)

classifier. The assessment of all these classifiers is completed utilizing few assessment lattices. Among those criteria are Accuracy, precision, recall and f-score

**CONCLUSION** We made an effort to identify cyberbullying in Bengali language using text classification algorithms. Though we have used various text based classification algorithms such as SVM, Logistic Regression, Passive Aggressive and Random forest but for future purposes, other machine learning models or practices such as CNN and even NLP can be used for the given dataset that we have worked on.

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