



Parameter Tuned Machine Learning Based Emotion Recognition on Arabic Twitter Data

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Abstract: Arabic is one of the most spoken languages across the globe. However, there are fewer studies concerning Sentiment Analysis (SA) in Arabic. In recent years, the detected sentiments and emotions expressed in tweets have received significant interest. The substantial role played by the Arab region in international politics and the global economy has urged the need to examine the sentiments and emotions in the Arabic language. Two common models are available: Machine Learning and lexicon-based approaches to address emotion classification problems. With this motivation, the current research article develops a Teaching and Learning Optimization with Machine Learning Based Emotion Recognition and Classification (TLBOML-ERC) model for Sentiment Analysis on tweets made in the Arabic language. The presented TLBOML-ERC model focuses on recognising emotions and sentiments expressed in Arabic tweets. To attain this, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model initially carries out data pre-processing and a Continuous Bag Of Words (CBOW)-based word embedding process. In addition, Denoising Autoencoder (DAE) model is also exploited to categorise different emotions expressed in Arabic tweets. To improve the efficacy of the DAE model, the Teaching and Learning-based Optimization (TLBO) algorithm is utilized to optimize the parameters. The proposed TLBOML-ERC method was experimentally validated with the help of an Arabic tweets dataset. The obtained results show the promising performance of the proposed TLBOML-ERC model on Arabic emotion classification.

Keywords: Arabic language; Twitter data; machine learning; teaching and learning-based optimization; sentiment analysis; emotion classification



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1 Introduction

Arabic is one of the six official languages of the United Nations. As an official language in 27 nations, Arabic is spoken by nearly 422 million people worldwide [1]. Arabic has rich morphology and is highly complex since every word carries significant meaning. Since space is one of the delimited tokens, the terms in the Arabic language expose numerous morphological prospects such as agglutination, derivation, and inflection [2]. Unlike Latin languages, Arabic is written from right to left and can be distinguished by the absence of lower or upper case. Its alphabet has 28 letters, of which 25 are consonants and 3 are vowels [3,4]. However, the Arabic script employs diacritical marks as short vowels and vocal parts. This can be positioned either below or above the letters to ensure the right pronunciation and convey clear meaning for the words [5]. Most Arabic texts are written without shorter vowels. So, proficient speakers do not require diacritical marks to understand the presented text [6]. But, it is frequently utilized in books written for Arabic learners and children. The lack of diacritical marks in most textbooks brings lexical ambiguity issues that challenge the computational mechanisms [7,8].

There is a shortage of studies or linguistics research in Arabic, especially social emotion analysis. Further, no structured methods exist for extracting and classifying emotions in Arabic tweets. If available, such mechanisms can be applied to improve customer service management, E-learning applications, product quality, detection techniques for psychologists to identify terrorist conduct, and so on [9,10]. The emotion analysis process allows the analysis and classification of more complex emotions. Emotion is a part of the nervous system function and is associated with different mental states, such as sadness, joy, or annoyance. Emotion analysis can identify whether the content under study has emotions and can categorize the emotions under appropriate emotion categories [11]. The data for sentiment analysis is available on Twitter in the form of tweets. This Twitter data has text in several languages, whereas users post around 4.00 billion tweets daily. The tweets posted on Twitter exhibit the feelings and emotions of the users in distinct languages. Several challenges are associated with the emotional analysis of Twitter data since the tweets contain several social shortcuts, grammatical mistakes, multimedia content, misspellings, and slang [12]. Various authors have investigated emotions in English-language tweets. However, no single author has categorized the emotions exhibited in Arabic language tweets since the language has intricate difficulties. Many sentiment analysis studies on Arabic tweets merely categorized a sentiment as either positive or negative [13]. As mentioned, there is a lack of resources and studies in Arabic language social emotion analysis. In contrast, such studies or mechanisms need the hour to be applied in different fields [14], for instance, support psychiatrists in understanding terrorist conduct, improving E-learning applications, enhancing customer service and product quality, etc.

The current study develops a Teaching and Learning Optimization with Machine Learning Based Emotion Recognition and Classification (TLBOML-ERC) model on Arabic Twitter data. The presented TLBOML-ERC model focuses on recognising emotions and sentiments expressed in Arabic tweets. To attain this, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model initially carries out data pre-processing and Continuous Bag Of Words (CBOW)-based word embedding. The Denoising Autoencoder (DAE) model is exploited for emotion recognition, which categorizes the emotions found in Arabic tweets. To improve the efficacy of the DAE model, the Teaching and Learning Based Optimization (TLBO) algorithm is utilized for parameter optimization. The experimental analysis of the proposed TLBOML-ERC model was conducted using the Arabic tweets dataset.

2 Related Works

Baali et al. [15] proposed a classification method for emotions found in Arabic tweets. In this technique, Deep Convolution Neural Network (DCNN) was trained on top of a training word vector for sentence classification, especially upon the dataset. The outcomes of the proposed method were compared with three other Machine Learning (ML) techniques, such as Multilayer Perceptron (MLP), Support Vector Machine (SVM), and Naïve Bayes (NB). The structure of the deep learning algorithm was an end-to-end network with sentence, word, and document vectorization steps. Khalil et al. [16] developed a new multi-layer Bidirectional Long Short Term Memory (BiLSTM) that was trained on top of pre-trained word-embedded vectors. This method obtained excellent performance improvement and was also related to other techniques for similar tasks, such as SVM, Random Forest (RF), and Fully Convolution Neural Network (FCNN). In the study conducted earlier [17], empirical research was executed on the progression of language methods from conventional Term Frequency–Inverse Document Frequency (TF–IDF) to highly-sophisticated word embedding word2vec and finally to the existing pre-trained language method, i.e., Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers (BERT). It observed and examined how the performance can be increased to bring a change in language methods. Additionally, various BERT techniques were inspected for the Arabic language earlier.

Poorna et al. [18] developed a speech emotion recognition mechanism for the Arabic population. A speech database elicited emotions such as surprise, anger, disgust, happiness, neutrality, and sadness was developed from 14 non-native yet efficient speakers of the language. Spectral, cepstral, and prosodic features were derived after preprocessing the data. Then, the features were exposed to single-stage classification using supervised learning techniques. SVM and Extreme Learning Machine (ELM). Al-Hagery et al. [19] intended to achieve optimal performance in emotion classification upon the tweets made in Arabic. In this background, it is evident that various research investigations have been conducted earlier to investigate the impact of feature extraction methods and the N-gram method on the performances of three supervised ML techniques, such as SVM, NB, and Logistic Regression (LR).

3 The Proposed Model

In the current study, a new TLBOML-ERC model is proposed for the recognition of emotions and sentiments found in Arabic tweets. The TLBOML-ERC model initially carries out data pre-processing and the CBOW-based word embedding process to attain this. For emotion recognition, TLBO is exploited along with the DAE model that identifies and categorizes the emotions found in Arabic tweets. Fig. 1 showcases the block diagram of the TLBOML-ERC approach.

3.1 Data Pre-processing

The original Arabic tweets from training and testing datasets are tokenized. After removing the white spaces, the punctuation marks are preserved as individual words (".,!;:()[]#@'). It is worth declaring that the pre-processing approaches not present in the current study model have normalized the Arabic characters, whereas diacritics, punctuations, and repetitive characters are eliminated.

3.2 Continuous BoW Model

CBOW approach employs Bag-of-Word models in which every word shares a prediction layer. Furthermore, the nonlinear hidden state is detached to reduce the computational time. CBOW employs the word from history and the future, whereas log-a linear classifier is applied, which is generally used

in classifying middle (current) words [20]. Moreover, CBOW utilizes context-continuous distributed demonstration. Consider $\{w_{t-c}, \dots, w_{t-2}, w_{t-1}, w_{t+1}, w_{t+2}, \dots, w_{t+c}\}$, CBOW method works to maximise Eq. (1).

$$\frac{1}{|V|} \sum_{t=1}^{|V|} \log [p(w_t | w_{t-c, \dots, w_{t-2}, w_{t-1}, w_{t+1}, w_{t+2}, \dots, w_{t+c}})] \quad (1)$$

In Eq. (1), $|V|$ indicates the corpus's number of words or vocabularies, while c denotes the context size. The context size is decided based on the sliding window size. When the sliding window size is 9, it corresponds to the presence of 9 words, implying that the value of c is 4. So, 4 words beforehand and afterwards should be considered to forecast certain words. After forecasting the word, the window must slide to predict the following word.

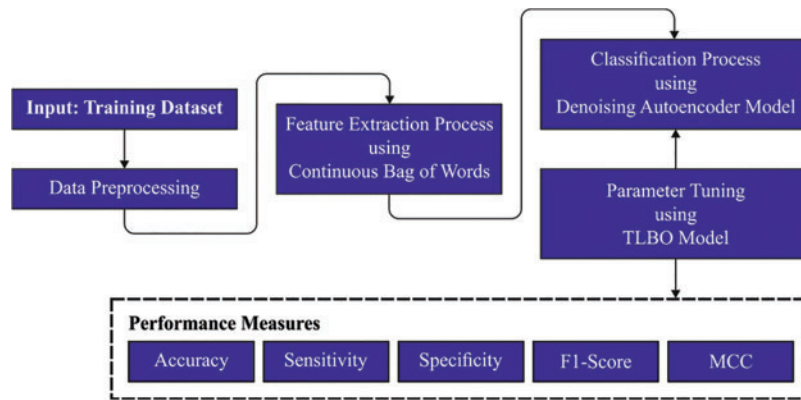


Figure 1: Block diagram of TLBOML-ERC approach

3.3 DAE-Based Emotion Classification

For emotion recognition, the DAE model is exploited, which identifies and categorizes the emotions found in Arabic tweets. Autoencoder (AE) is a Fully Connected (FC) layer of the unsupervised ML process, implying the Backpropagation (BP) model [21]. AE comprises an input layer, several hidden states, and a single output layer. The resultant of the neural network is denoted in Eq. (2) by permitting bold letters to indicate the vector.

$$y = h_{\theta}(x), \quad (2)$$

whereas $x = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n]^T$ is the input vector, h_{θ} denotes the full forward propagation function, and θ denotes the set of biases and weights that should be studied through the network during the training stage. The learning procedure can be performed by setting the target value at the output, which is similar to the input value ($y = x$):

$$h_{\theta}(x) = x. \quad (3)$$

As stated earlier, AE operates as an unsupervised learning method, i.e., backpropagation. Unsupervised learning refers to the training stage in which the basic features are merely needed without labelling. At the same time, backpropagation is the fault in the foretold resultant. In contrast, the target resultant propagates back from the resultant to every neuron in the network to update the weights based on a certain learning rate (α):

$$\theta_{i+1} = \theta_i + \Delta\theta_i, \quad (4)$$

whereas i refers to the index of trained epochs and $\Delta\theta_i$ denotes the upgraded weight that can be computed as follows.

$$\Delta\theta_i = -\alpha \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \theta_i} \right) \quad (5)$$

Here, E denotes the cost function. In such cases, Mean Square Error (MSE) is employed as an error measure, calculated as given below.

$$E = \frac{1}{N} \sum_m (y_m - x_m)^2, \quad (6)$$

Here, N denotes the training set size, x_m corresponds to the m -th input vector, and y_m refers to the m -th output vector. AE has one more type, i.e., Denoising AE (DAE), which has a similar structure to AEs. But, the principle behind DAEs can rebuild data from the input of the corrupted dataset. It trains DAE by corrupting the datasets and giving them to Neural Network (NN). During the training stage, the target value is fixed for the output in the case of the actual dataset, whereas the input remains in the corrupted form of the dataset.

$$\text{target output of } h_\theta(\tilde{x}) = x, \quad (7)$$

Here, \tilde{x} denotes the corrupted pack of input neurons and $h_\theta(\tilde{x})$ indicates the output of DAE. DAE diminishes the cost function $(x, h_\theta(\tilde{x}))$, whereas E denotes a certain error measure. DAE should undo the corruption instead of replicating the input at the output and capturing the essential feature of the trained dataset. This training allows the DAE to recover the correlation amongst input neurons via the original dataset. It is to be noted that the neuron count necessitated in AE hidden state is lower compared to the count of input or output neurons. Though this is not a common constraint in AE, other AE models have the count of neurons in their hidden stage, which should be higher than the input or output neurons, such as Sparse AE.

3.4 Parameter Tuning Using TLBO Algorithm

To improve the efficacy of the DAE model, the TLBO algorithm is utilized for parameter optimization. TLBO is a population-based metaheuristic approach in which the optimum solution is characterized in terms of the population [22]. The TLBO approach works based on classroom learning mechanisms. Here, the teacher is presented to teach the learner with a goal, i.e., to increase the learning ability of the learner. However, in the classroom learning mechanism, learners can improve their skills by obtaining knowledge from others. The TLBO approach comprises two stages learner and teacher stages. A comprehensive discussion of both stages is summarized herewith. The teacher phase aims to impart the student's learning skills so that the entire class's outcomes are considerably enhanced. This results in an increased mean outcome of the class. Generally, a teacher improves the outcomes of the class learning process to a certain extent. Various limitations are accountable for the outcomes: the learner's grasping ability, teaching technique, teacher's capability, knowledge of the learners, and interaction of the learners with others. In the teacher stage, $X_{i,Lmean}$ indicates the learner's knowledge, and $X_{Teacher}$ denotes the teacher in iteration. The major concern of the teachers is to improve the learners' knowledge. To accomplish this task, the existing mean knowledge of the learners, i.e., $X_{i,Lmean}$, is moved to the teacher's knowledge, i.e., $X_{Teacher}$ and is defined by the following expression.

$$X_{i,new} = X_{i,old} + r \times (X_{Teacher} - T_f \times X_{i,Lmean}) \quad (8)$$

Now, $X_{Teacher}$ represents the teacher's mean knowledge. At the same time, $X_{i, Lmean}$ denotes the mean knowledge of the i^{th} learner, T_f symbolizes the teaching aspect, and r indicates an arbitrary value in the range of $[0, 1]$. $X_{i, new}$, defines the upgraded knowledge of the i^{th} learner and $X_{i, old}$, indicates the preceding knowledge of the i^{th} learner.

$$T_f = round(1 + rand(0, 1)) \quad (9)$$

The learner phase aims at boosting the learner's knowledge from other learners. Therefore, to increase one's learning capability, a learner should interact randomly with others. In the learner stage of the TLBO approach, the learner also gains knowledge from other learners. The learning ability of a learner is formulated herewith. Once an i^{th} learner wants to communicate with *the* k^{th} learner and the fitness of the k^{th} learner is maximum than the i^{th} learner, then the location of the i^{th} learner or else k^{th} learner is upgraded.

$$X_{i, new} = X_{i, old} + r \times (X_k - X_i) \quad (10)$$

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Once the fitness of the novel location of the i^{th} learner is superior to the fitness value of the older location, then the novel location takes over the older one or else it does not. [Fig. 2](#) depicts the steps involved in TLBO.

Algorithm 1: Basic TLBO

Begin

 Initializing NP (count of learners) and D (dimension);

 Initializing learners and estimating them;

 while the end condition is not met

 Select the optimum learner as $x_{teacher}$;

 Compute the mean x_{mean} of every learner;

 for every learner x_i

$T_f = round(1 + rand(0, 1))$;

 Upgrade the learner;

 Estimate the novel learner $x_{i, new}$;

 Accept $x_{i, new}$ when it is superior to the old one $x_{i, old}$

 Randomly choose another learner x_j which is distinct in x_i ;

 Upgrade the learner;

 Estimate a novel learner $x_{i, new}$;

 Accept $x_{i, new}$ when it is superior to the old one $x_{i, old}$;

 end for

 end while

end

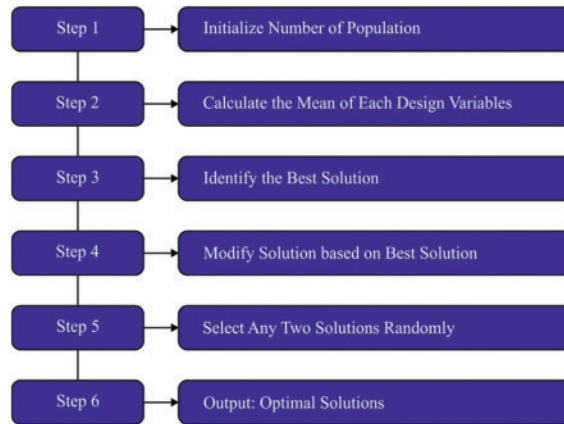


Figure 2: Steps involved in TLBO

4 Results and Discussion

The proposed TLBOML-ERC model was experimentally validated using a dataset that contains 5,600 Arabic tweets under four class labels, as depicted in [Table 1](#). Each class holds a set of 1,400 samples.

Table 1: Dataset details

| Class | No. of samples |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Anger | 1400 |
| Joy | 1400 |
| Sadness | 1400 |
| Fear | 1400 |
| Total number of samples | 5600 |

[Fig. 3](#) illustrates the confusion matrices generated by the TLBOML-ERC model on Arabic tweets using Training Set (TRS) and Testing Set (TSS). On 90% of TRS, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model categorized 1,218 samples under anger, 1,217 samples under joy, 1,179 samples under sadness, and 1,212 samples under fear classes, respectively. Also, on 10% of TSS, the presented TLBOML-ERC approach classified 138 samples under anger, 120 samples under joy, 139 samples under sadness, and 139 samples under fear classes correspondingly. Additionally, on 70% of TRS, the proposed TLBOML-ERC technique recognized 970 samples as anger, 926 samples as joy, 918 samples as sadness, and 968 samples as fear classes, respectively. Followed by 30% of TSS, the TLBOML-ERC algorithm classified 383 samples under anger, 405 samples under joy, 436 samples under sadness and 397 samples under fear categories correspondingly.

[Table 2](#) and [Fig. 4](#) portray the results attained by the proposed TLBOML-ERC model on 90% of TRS and 10% of TSS. With 90% of TRS, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model achieved an average $accu_y$ of 97.88%, $sens_y$ of 95.75%, $spec_y$ of 98.59%, $F1_{score}$ of 95.75%, and an MCC (Mathew Correlation Coefficient) of 94.34%. Also, with 10% of TSS, the proposed TLBOML-ERC methodology offered an average $accu_y$ of 97.86%, $sens_y$ of 95.76%, $spec_y$ of 98.57%, $F1_{score}$ of 95.71%, and an MCC of 94.29%.

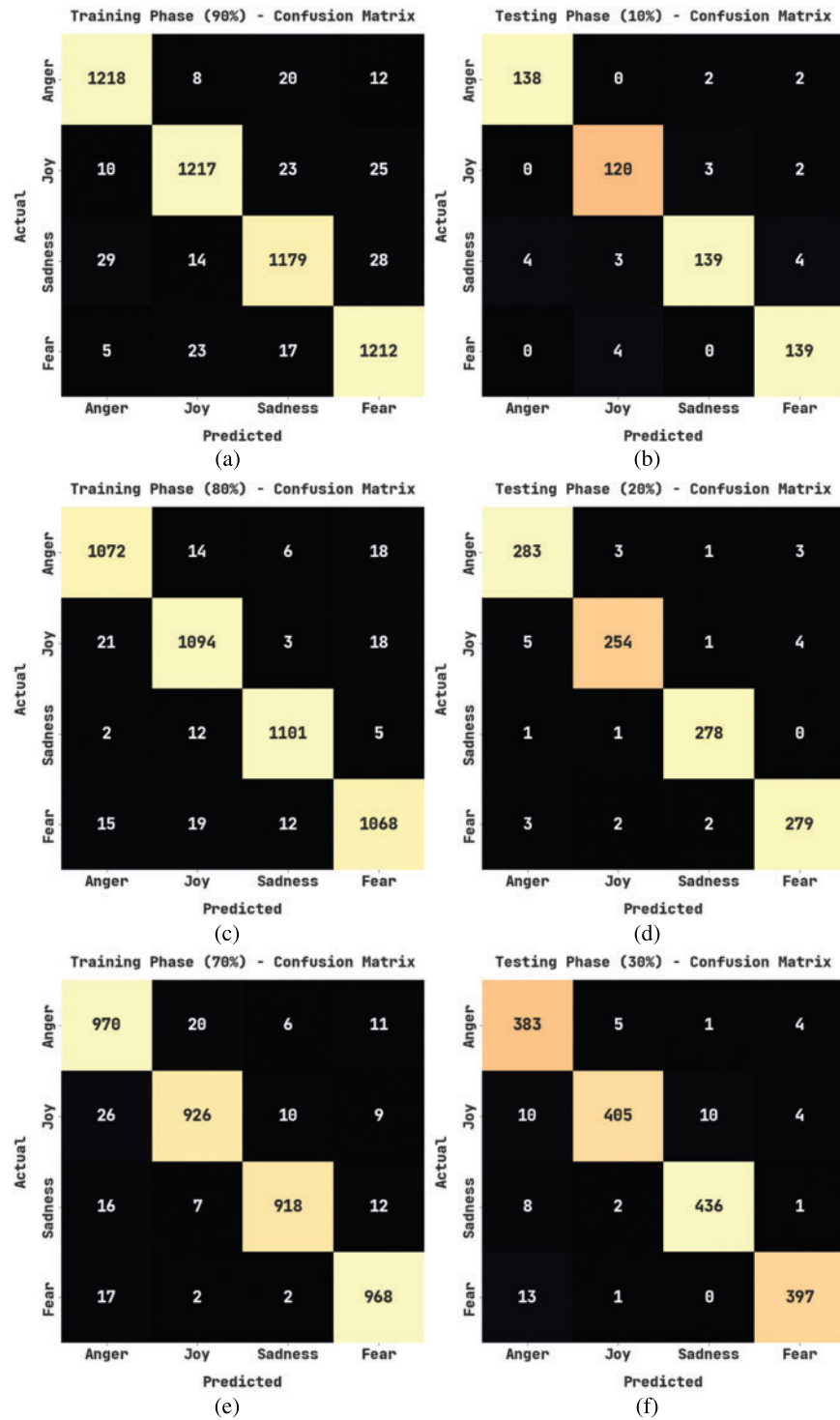


Figure 3: Confusion matrices of TLBOML-ERC approach for (a) 90% of TRS, (b) 10% of TSS, (c) 80% of TRS, (d) 20% of TSS, (e) 70% of TRS, and (f) 30% of TSS

Table 2: Results of the analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach upon 90:10 of TRS/TSS datasets under different measures

| Training/Testing (90:10) | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------|
| Labels | Accuracy | Sensitivity | Specificity | F1-score | MCC |
| Training phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 98.33 | 96.82 | 98.84 | 96.67 | 95.56 |
| Joy | 97.96 | 95.45 | 98.80 | 95.94 | 94.58 |
| Sadness | 97.40 | 94.32 | 98.42 | 94.74 | 93.01 |
| Fear | 97.82 | 96.42 | 98.28 | 95.66 | 94.21 |
| Average | 97.88 | 95.75 | 98.59 | 95.75 | 94.34 |
| Testing phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 98.57 | 97.18 | 99.04 | 97.18 | 96.23 |
| Joy | 97.86 | 96.00 | 98.39 | 95.24 | 93.86 |
| Sadness | 97.14 | 92.67 | 98.78 | 94.56 | 92.66 |
| Fear | 97.86 | 97.20 | 98.08 | 95.86 | 94.43 |
| Average | 97.86 | 95.76 | 98.57 | 95.71 | 94.29 |

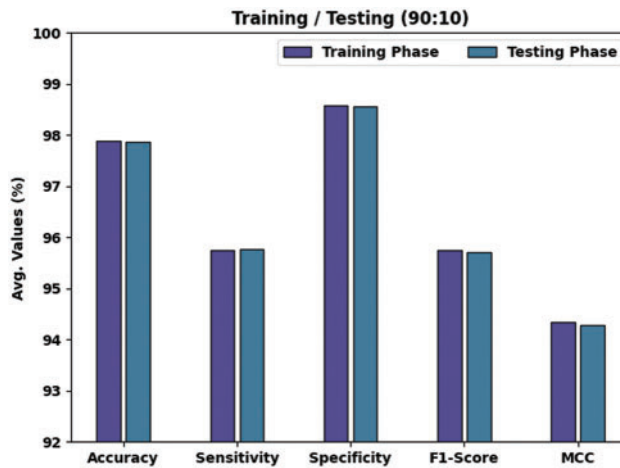


Figure 4: Results of the analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach upon 90:10 of TRS/TSS datasets

Table 3 and Fig. 5 depict the results accomplished by the proposed TLBOML-ERC model on 80% of TRS and 20% of TSS datasets. With 80% of TRS, the TLBOML-ERC method achieved an average $accu_y$ of 98.38%, $sens_y$ of 96.76%, $spec_y$ of 98.92%, $F1_{score}$ of 96.76%, and an MCC of 95.68%. Moreover, with 20% of TSS, the TLBOML-ERC model presented an average $accu_y$ of 98.84%, $sens_y$ of 97.66%, $spec_y$ of 99.22%, $F1_{score}$ of 97.67%, and an MCC of 96.90%.

Table 3: Results of the analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach upon 80:20 of TRS/TSS datasets under different measures

| Training/Testing (80:20) | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------|
| Labels | Accuracy | Sensitivity | Specificity | F1-score | MCC |
| Training phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 98.30 | 96.58 | 98.87 | 96.58 | 95.45 |
| Joy | 98.06 | 96.30 | 98.65 | 96.18 | 94.87 |
| Sadness | 99.11 | 98.30 | 99.38 | 98.22 | 97.62 |
| Fear | 98.06 | 95.87 | 98.78 | 96.09 | 94.80 |
| Average | 98.38 | 96.76 | 98.92 | 96.76 | 95.68 |
| Testing phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 98.57 | 97.59 | 98.92 | 97.25 | 96.29 |
| Joy | 98.57 | 96.21 | 99.30 | 96.95 | 96.02 |
| Sadness | 99.46 | 99.29 | 99.52 | 98.93 | 98.58 |
| Fear | 98.75 | 97.55 | 99.16 | 97.55 | 96.71 |
| Average | 98.84 | 97.66 | 99.22 | 97.67 | 96.90 |

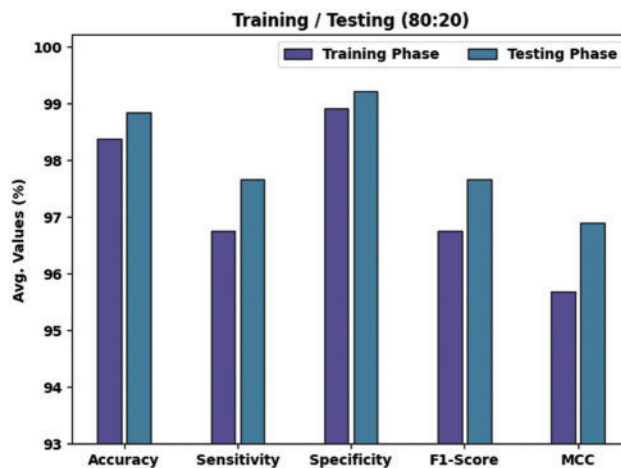
**Figure 5:** Results of the analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach upon 80:20 of TRS/TSS datasets

Table 4 and Fig. 6 illustrate the results of the proposed TLBOML-ERC model on 80% of TRS and 20% of TSS datasets. With 80% of TRS, the TLBOML-ERC approach yielded an average $accu_y$ of 98.24%, $sens_y$ of 96.47%, $spec_y$ of 98.82%, $F1_{score}$ of 96.49%, and an MCC of 95.32%. In addition to these, with 20% of TSS, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model accomplished an average $accu_y$ of 98.24%, $sens_y$ of 96.50%, $spec_y$ of 98.84%, $F1_{score}$ of 96.46% and an MCC of 95.32%.

Table 4: Results of the analysis of the TLBOML-ERC approach upon 70:30 of TRS/TSS datasets under different measures

| Training/Testing (70:30) | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------|-------|
| Labels | Accuracy | Sensitivity | Specificity | F1-score | MCC |
| Training phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 97.55 | 96.33 | 97.97 | 95.28 | 93.64 |
| Joy | 98.11 | 95.37 | 99.02 | 96.16 | 94.91 |
| Sadness | 98.65 | 96.33 | 99.39 | 97.19 | 96.31 |
| Fear | 98.65 | 97.88 | 98.91 | 97.34 | 96.43 |
| Average | 98.24 | 96.47 | 98.82 | 96.49 | 95.32 |
| Testing phase | | | | | |
| Anger | 97.56 | 97.46 | 97.59 | 94.92 | 93.37 |
| Joy | 98.10 | 94.41 | 99.36 | 96.20 | 94.96 |
| Sadness | 98.69 | 97.54 | 99.11 | 97.54 | 96.65 |
| Fear | 98.63 | 96.59 | 99.29 | 97.18 | 96.28 |
| Average | 98.24 | 96.50 | 98.84 | 96.46 | 95.32 |

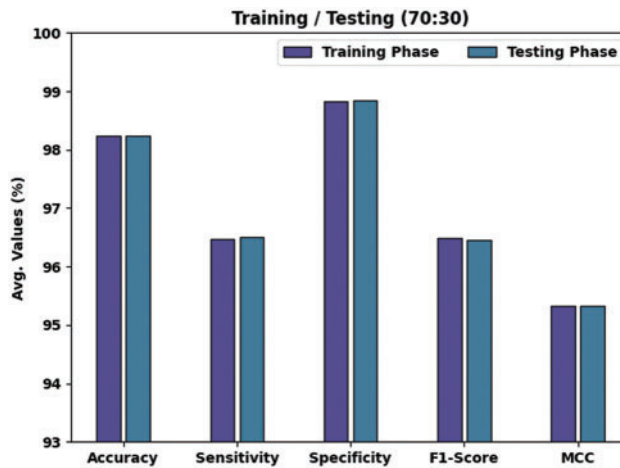


Figure 6: Results of the analysis of the TLBOML-ERC approach upon 70:30 of TRS/TSS datasets

Training Accuracy (TA) and Validation Accuracy (VA) values acquired by the proposed TLBOML-ERC method on the test dataset are shown in Fig. 7. The experimental outcomes imply that the proposed TLBOML-ERC method achieved the highest TA and VA values, while VA values were higher than TA.

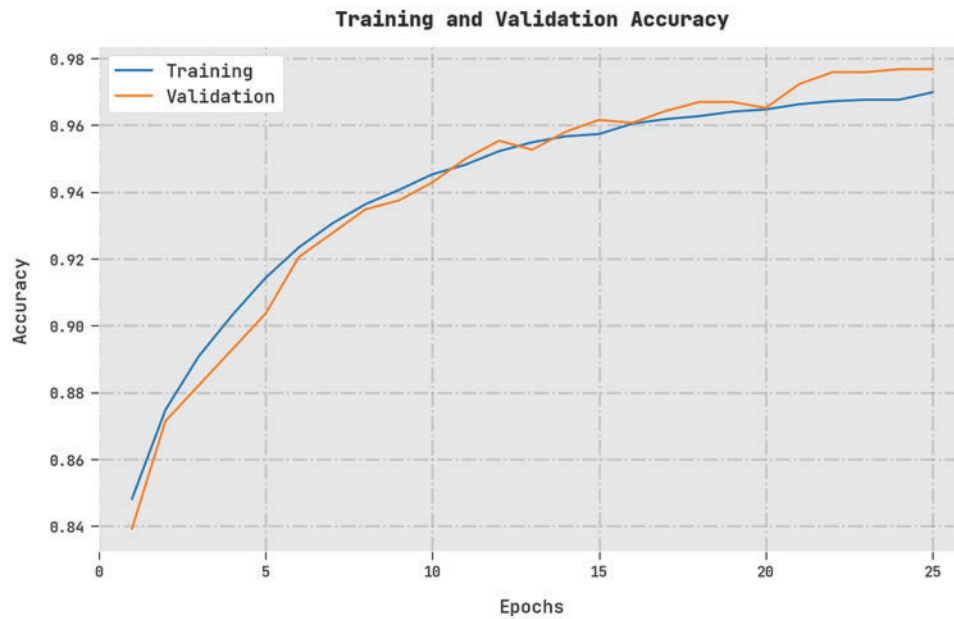


Figure 7: TA and VA analyses results of TLBOML-ERC approach

Both Training Loss (TL) and Validation Loss (VL) values, achieved by the proposed TLBOML-ERC approach on the test dataset, are displayed in Fig. 8. The experimental outcomes infer that the proposed TLBOML-ERC algorithm exhibited the least TL and VL values, while VL values were lower compared to TL.

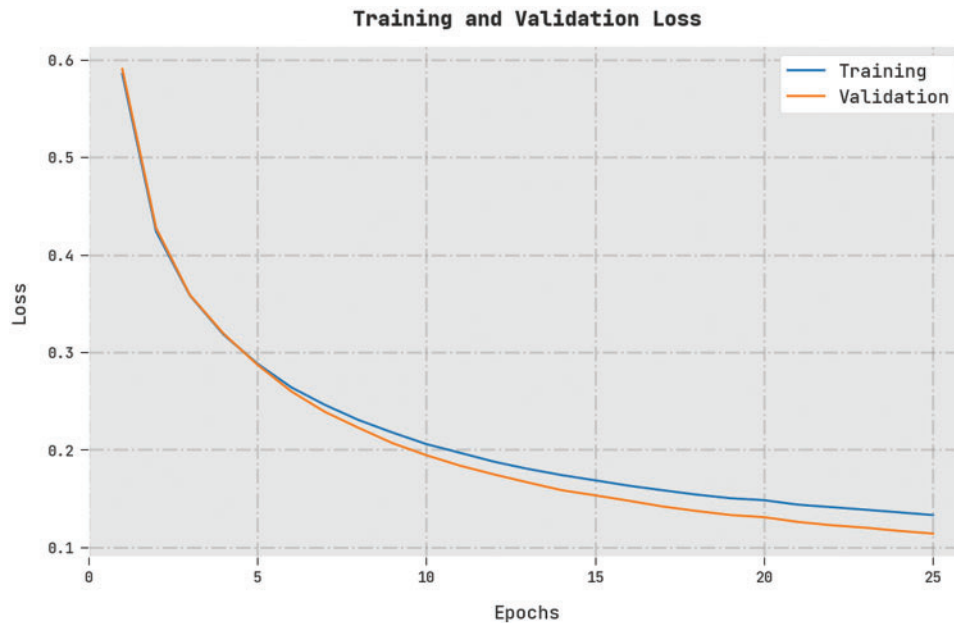


Figure 8: TL and VL analyses results of TLBOML-ERC approach

A clear precision-recall analysis was conducted on the TLBOML-ERC method using the test dataset, and the results are shown in Fig. 9. The figure indicates that the proposed TLBOML-ERC method produced enhanced precision-recall values under all the classes.

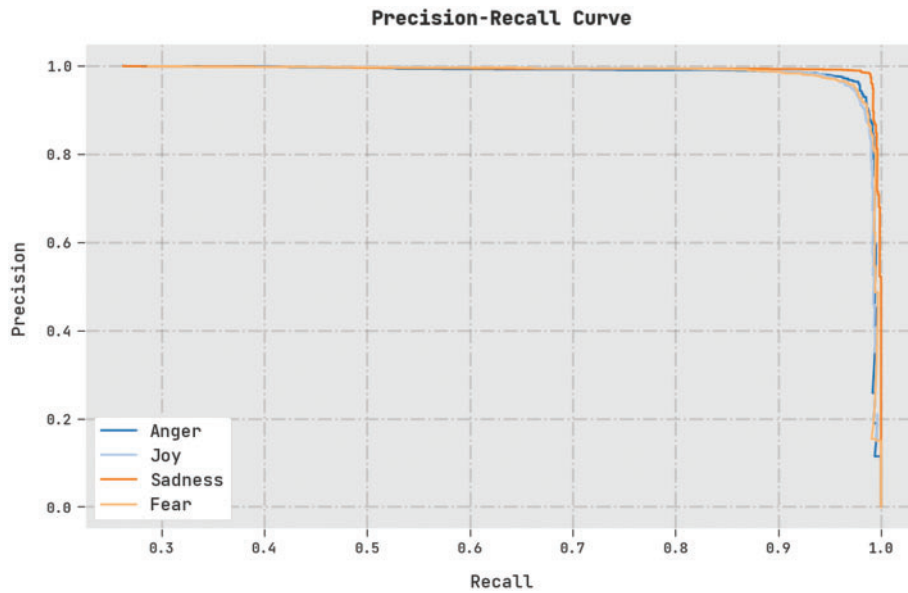


Figure 9: Precision-recall curve analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach

A brief Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) analysis was conducted on the TLBOML-ERC method using the test dataset, and the results are displayed in Fig. 10. The results infer that the proposed TLBOML-ERC approach excelled in categorizing distinct classes on the test dataset.

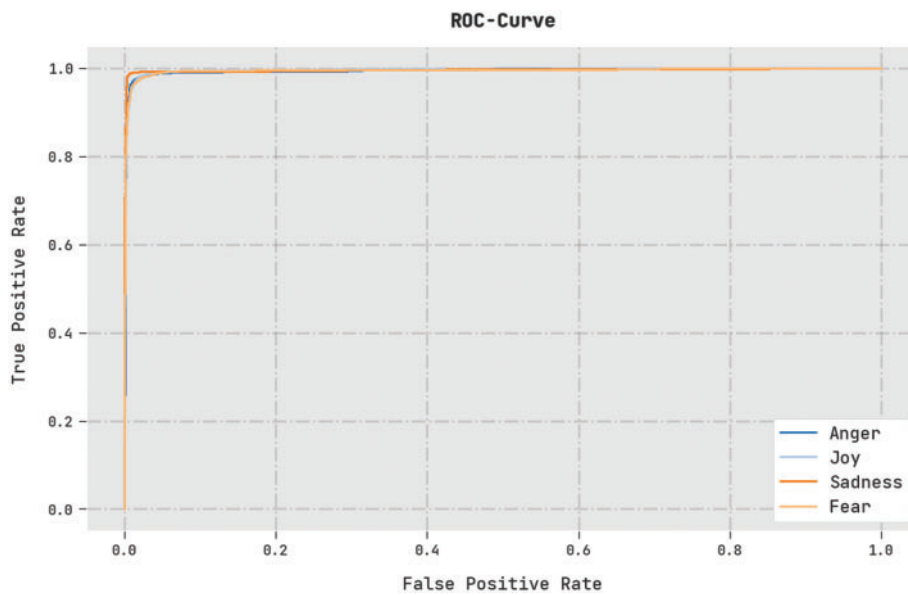


Figure 10: ROC curve analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach

Table 5 and Fig. 11 show the comprehensive comparison study outcomes accomplished by the proposed TLBOML-ERC model and other existing models [23]. The results infer that the TLBOML-ERC model outperformed other models. With respect to $accu_y$, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model achieved the highest $accu_y$ of 98.84%, whereas BiLSTM, Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU), Bidirectional GRU (BiGRU), Artificial Neural Network (ANN), Convolutional Neural Network (CNN), and GoogLeNet models produced the least $accu_y$ values such as 93.85%, 96.19%, 92.96%, 92.79%, 94.86%, and 95.59% respectively. Also, in terms of $sens_y$, the TLBOML-ERC model reached the highest $sens_y$ of 97.66%, whereas BiLSTM, GRU, BiGRU, ANN, CNN, and GoogLeNet models produced the least $sens_y$ values such as 94.58%, 94.01%, 92.33%, 93.84%, 95.28%, and 94.34% correspondingly. With respect to $spec_y$, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model attained the highest $spec_y$ of 99.22%, whereas BiLSTM, GRU, BiGRU, ANN, CNN, and GoogLeNet models yielded low $spec_y$ values such as 92.55%, 96.59%, 95.45%, 92.08%, 95.44%, and 96.19% correspondingly.

At last, with respect to $F1_{score}$, the proposed TLBOML-ERC model gained a high $F1_{score}$ of 97.67%, whereas BiLSTM, GRU, BiGRU, ANN, CNN, and GoogLeNet models produced low $F1_{score}$ values such as 94.24%, 93.07%, 93.73%, 94.31%, 92.27%, and 93.87% correspondingly. From the detailed results and discussion, it can be inferred that the proposed TLBOML-ERC model produced a superior performance compared to other models.

Table 5: Comparative analysis results of TLBOML-ERC approach and other existing algorithms

| Methods | Accuracy | Sensitivity | Specificity | F1-score |
|------------|----------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| TLBOML-ERC | 98.84 | 97.66 | 99.22 | 97.67 |
| Bi-LSTM | 93.85 | 94.58 | 92.55 | 94.24 |
| GRU | 96.19 | 94.01 | 96.59 | 93.07 |
| Bi-GRU | 92.96 | 92.33 | 95.45 | 93.73 |
| ANN model | 92.79 | 93.84 | 92.08 | 94.31 |
| CNN model | 94.86 | 95.28 | 95.44 | 92.27 |
| GoogLeNet | 95.59 | 94.34 | 96.19 | 93.87 |

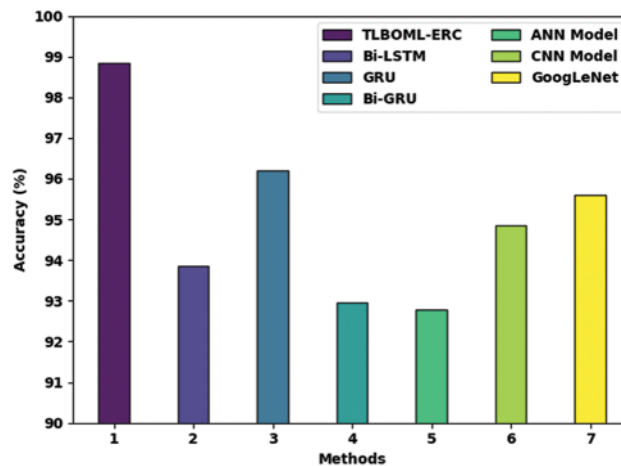


Figure 11: Comparative analysis of TLBOML-ERC approach and other existing algorithms

5 Conclusion

In current study, a new TLBOML-ERC method has been devised for the recognition of emotions and sentiments found in Arabic tweets. To attain this, TLBOML-ERC model initially carries out data pre-processing and CBOW-based word embedding process. For emotion recognition, DAE model is exploited which identifies the categories of emotions found in Arabic tweets. In order to improve the efficacy of DAE model, TLBO algorithm is utilized for parameter optimization. The experimental analysis was conducted upon the proposed TLBOML-ERC approach using Arabic tweets' dataset. The obtained results show the promising performance of TLBOML-ERC model on Arabic emotion classification. In the future, TLBOML-ERC model can be modified to utilize Feature Selection approaches to boost the classification results.

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