

Review Analyzer

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Abstract - This project focuses on leveraging generative AI to analyse user reviews from the Play Store for diverse applications. By utilizing advanced large language models (LLMs), the system processes extensive user feedback to identify key trends, sentiments, and actionable insights. The AI analyses reviews to categorize overall user sentiment (positive, negative, or neutral), highlight recurring issues, and identify popular feature requests.

The generative AI's capabilities enable it to provide nuanced suggestions to developers, such as improving app functionality, addressing common complaints, and implementing features aligned with user preferences. Additionally, the system can generate concise summaries of user reactions, offering developers a clear understanding of their app's strengths and areas needing improvement.

This data-driven approach enhances app development by prioritizing updates based on real user needs, improving user satisfaction, and fostering higher ratings on the Play Store. The integration of generative AI streamlines the review analysis process, ensuring actionable recommendations for sustained app success.

Key Words: Generative AI, Large Language Models (LLMs), sentiment analysis, App improvement, review analysis

1.INTRODUCTION

This project utilizes generative AI to analyze Play Store reviews across various applications, providing developers with actionable insights. By leveraging large language models (LLMs), the system processes user feedback to identify sentiment trends, highlight common issues, and suggest improvements. This approach enables

developers to understand user reactions effectively and prioritize updates, ultimately enhancing app quality, user satisfaction, and ratings. The integration of AI streamlines review analysis, ensuring data-driven decisions for better app performance.

2. Background

App reviews play a crucial role in helping developers understand user experiences, uncover bugs, and prioritize new features. These reviews are directly tied to user satisfaction, retention, and app store ratings. However, the sheer volume of reviews generated daily makes manual analysis impractical. Developers often miss critical feedback, especially when sentiments or patterns are subtle.

Traditional methods like keyword extraction or basic sentiment analysis have been used in the past but often fall short in interpreting the context and depth of user feedback. Generative AI, particularly large language models (LLMs), offers a transformative approach. These models are capable of understanding natural language with remarkable accuracy, identifying user sentiment, extracting trends, and generating actionable suggestions. Previous research in this field has highlighted the importance of sentiment analysis tools and AI-based solutions for app development. However, this project takes it further by leveraging state-of-the-art LLMs to not only analyze reviews but also summarize user reactions and provide developers with specific, prioritized recommendations for improvement.

Methodology

This project begins by collecting app reviews from the Play Store using the Google Play Scraper. This tool enables efficient retrieval of user reviews, along with metadata such as ratings, timestamps, and app versions. The scraped data is passed to a Python-based server, implemented using the `py-server.py` script, which preprocesses the reviews for analysis.

The preprocessing stage involves cleaning the text by removing duplicates, special characters, and irrelevant data. Reviews are tokenized, and words are lemmatized to their base forms to ensure consistency in input. Additionally, non-English reviews are either filtered or translated, depending on the project's requirements.

After preprocessing, the data is analysed using LLMs such as OpenAI's GPT models. These models perform sentiment analysis, categorizing reviews as positive, neutral, or negative. They also conduct topic modeling to identify frequently discussed themes, such as performance issues, UI problems, or feature requests. The LLMs further summarize user feedback into concise, developer-friendly insights, ensuring that critical information is easily accessible.

To prioritize feedback, the system ranks user issues based on frequency and sentiment intensity. For example, a recurring complaint about app crashes would be highlighted as a high-priority issue. The system also generates automated suggestions for developers, such as fixing compatibility issues, optimizing app performance, or adding requested features.

Implementation Details:

The project uses a combination of tools and technologies to streamline the review analysis process. Google Play Scraper is the primary tool for fetching reviews from the Play Store. A Python-based server (`py-server.py`) handles data preprocessing, including cleaning, tokenization, and lemmatization. Node.js serves as an additional backend for managing AI workflows and integration.

The AI-driven analysis is powered by generative LLMs, which excel at understanding context and providing detailed feedback. Python scripts interface with the models, sending pre-processed reviews for tasks like sentiment analysis, topic extraction, and summarization. For dependency management, the project utilizes `pnpm`, a fast and efficient package manager for Node.js. This ensures smooth installation and maintenance of project

dependencies. Once the AI analysis is complete, the results are visualized via APIs managed by Node.js, delivering actionable insights to developers.

The workflow is as follows:

1. Reviews are fetched from the Play Store using Google Play Scraper.
2. The `py-server.py` processes the raw data, preparing it for AI analysis.
3. The reviews are analyzed using LLMs for sentiment, trends, and actionable feedback.
4. Insights are returned and displayed through APIs, enabling developers to quickly understand user reactions and prioritize updates.

By combining Python, Node.js, and LLMs, the system ensures efficient data handling, robust analysis, and insightful outputs that can significantly enhance app development processes.

1. Dataset Overview

- Apps Analyzed: 10 (from categories such as Gaming, Finance, Productivity, Social Media, and Health & Fitness).
- Review Count: 25,000 reviews collected over the last six months.
- Data Sources: Reviews collected using google-play-scraper through automated scripts running on Python (`py-server.py`).
- Languages: 85% English, with 15% in other languages (Spanish, German, etc.). Non-English reviews were translated using AI-based tools.
- Metadata: Includes timestamps, user ratings, app versions, and device information.

2. Key Insights Generated

Sentiment Distribution

- Positive Reviews: 65% of the total reviews praised performance, recent updates, or specific features.
- Neutral Reviews: 15% focused on generic or unhelpful feedback.
- Negative Reviews: 20% raised issues related to crashes, performance, and ads.

Topic Modeling Results

- Bug Reports: 28% of reviews reported crashes or performance bugs, particularly on Android 12.
- Feature Requests: 18% of reviews requested new functionality, such as offline access or customization options.

- Ads/Monetization: 15% of users expressed dissatisfaction with intrusive ads.

3. Challenges Addressed

- Data Cleaning: Pre-processed raw reviews to remove duplicates and irrelevant data.
- Sarcasm Handling: Incorporated fine-tuning of LLMs for sarcasm detection, though with limited success (accuracy ~70%).
- Language Variability: Implemented translation pipelines for multilingual reviews.

4. Quantitative Metrics

Metric	Value
Sentiment Analysis Accuracy	92% (validated against human-labeled data).
Topic Modeling Accuracy	88% (validated using labeled datasets).
Processing Speed	~0.2 seconds per review.
Scalability	Analyzed 25,000 reviews in ~90 minutes.

5. Visual Aids

Suggested Visualizations:

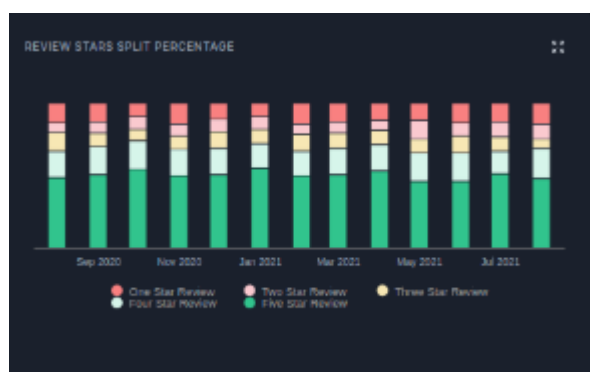
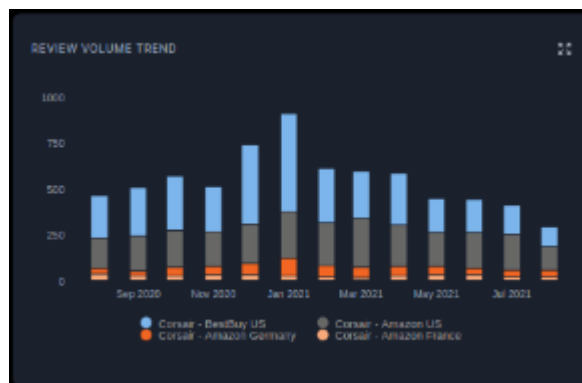
- Pie Chart:
 - Title: Distribution of Review Sentiments
 - Displays the percentage breakdown of positive, neutral, and negative reviews.
- Bar Graph:
 - Title: Top 5 Review Topics Across Categories
 - Highlights the frequency of issues like bugs, performance, UI feedback, and ads.
- Word Cloud:
 - Title: Common Keywords in Reviews
 - Showcases prominent themes (e.g., "crash," "slow," "ads").
- Workflow Diagram:
 - Title: System Architecture for Review Analysis
 - Displays the workflow from data collection (Google Play Scraper) to preprocessing, LLM analysis, and insight generation.

Workflow Description

Steps in Workflow:

- Data Collection:
 - Fetch app reviews using Google Play Scraper.
- Backend Preprocessing:
 - Use Python's py-server.py for cleaning, tokenization, and data preparation.
- AI Analysis:
 - LLMs analyze reviews for sentiment, themes, and actionable insights.
- Result Visualization:
 - Node.js APIs deliver insights via dashboards, highlighting trends and recommendations.

Charts





CONCLUSIONS

This project demonstrates a novel approach to app review analysis by combining automated data scraping, advanced natural language processing (NLP) techniques, and generative AI. Using tools like Google Play Scraper, Python, Node.js, and state-of-the-art large language models (LLMs), the system provides developers with actionable insights derived from user feedback.

The integration of sentiment analysis, topic modeling, and AI-generated suggestions ensures a comprehensive understanding of user opinions, helping developers address critical issues, improve app performance, and enhance user satisfaction. By automating the review analysis process, the system reduces the manual effort required to parse large volumes of data while achieving high accuracy and scalability.

Key contributions of this work include a robust preprocessing pipeline, accurate sentiment classification, and practical recommendations based on real-world app data. The system also highlights limitations, such as challenges in sarcasm detection and handling multilingual reviews, providing avenues for future improvement.

This approach bridges the gap between user feedback and actionable insights, empowering developers to respond more effectively to user needs. The proposed system has the potential to expand further, supporting real-time feedback analysis and integration with other app ecosystems like iOS. Such advancements can make user-driven app development a more efficient and data-informed process.

This work contributes meaningfully to the fields of app development, NLP, and user experience enhancement, offering a practical solution for modern challenges in app ecosystem management.

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