

# SentiRuEval-2016: Overcoming Time Gap and Data Sparsity in Tweet Sentiment Analysis

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# Entity-oriented sentiment analysis

## Sentiment analysis

- **In general**: sentiment of the whole document, fragment or sentence
- **Entity-oriented**
  - Sentiment about a specific entity
    - Politician, political party
    - Company etc.
  - Sentiment about specific parts or properties of an entity (aspects)

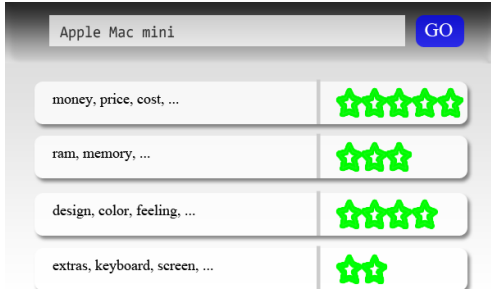
*Переходи в [Билайн](#). «Все за 300» — отличный **тариф**!*

Evaluations: SentiRuEval-2015, SemEval, RepLab

# SentiRuEval-2016

## Aspect-oriented analysis of reviews – part of SemEval-2016

- According to SemEval-2016 guidelines
- Multilingual Aspect-Based Sentiment Analysis (ABSA)
- Restaurant review labeling
- <http://alt.qcri.org/semeval2016/task5/>
- Russian data: about 5 participants



Aspect	Rating
money, price, cost, ...	★★★★★
ram, memory, ...	★★★
design, color, feeling, ...	★★★★★
extras, keyboard, screen, ...	★★

## Entity-oriented analysis of tweets (2016)

- Reputation monitoring of banks and telecom companies



# Twitter reputation monitoring task

## Task

- How tweet influences on reputation (positive, negative, neutral)
- News or opinions should be considered
- Removing spam and meaningless tweets

## Datasets

- Training dataset: data from previous evaluation
- Test data:
  - Crowdsourcing
  - Five labels for a tweet
  - Strong voting scheme: label of a tweet should obtain at least three votes more than other labels

# Datasets

## Training set

December 2013 – January 2014; July-August 2014

–Telecom – 8,643

–Banks – 9,392

## Test set

July 2015, November 2015

–Telecom – 2,247

–Banks – 3,313

Выберите отношение автора твита к указанным организациям:

RT @Beeline\_RUS: Может ли смартфон стоить 990 рублей? Может. И какой!  
<http://t.co/Lyt3IASnAh> <http://t.co/mhLflyLTLr>

Билайн

Негативное  Позитивное  Нейтральное  Спам  Содержит обе эмоции

Далее

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**Отрицательная тональность** – если сообщается отрицательное отношение автора к организации, или факт, который свидетельствует о проблемах организации (снижение прибыли, уменьшение числа клиентов).

**нейтральными** – факты, которые относятся к стандартной деятельности организаций.

Выберете отношение автора твита к указанным организациям:

@svintuss @MegaFonHelp @ru\_mts нормально))) Т.е. заблокировали, а ты потом ищи-свищи что это и из-за чего...

**МТС**

- Негативное  Позитивное  Нейтральное  Спам  Содержит обе эмоции

**Мегафон**

- Негативное  Позитивное  Нейтральное  Спам  Содержит обе эмоции

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# Crowdsourcing statistics

Time of labeling: 18 October, 2015 – 31 January, 2016

<b>Domain</b>	<b>Annotated</b>	<b>Included into test collection</b>	<b>Sent to participants</b>
Telecom	3,970	2,247	19,673
Banks	4,539	3,313	19,586

## Contribution of annotators

<b>Type of annotators</b>	<b>Number of labeled companies in tweets</b>
Organizers (2 persons)	10,322
Paid workers (4 persons)	29,435
Volunteers (112 people from 25 cities and 7 countries)	5,693 (53 per person)
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,450</b>



# Quality measure

macro-average F-measure:

$$\frac{\text{F-measure of the positive class} + \text{F-measure of the negative class}}{2}$$

ignored F-measure of neutral class  
this does not reduce the task to the two-class prediction

Additionally micro-average F-measures were calculated for two sentiment classes

# Best Methods and Results

Best approaches – machine learning approaches (SVM, neural networks)

Problem of ml approaches at SentiRuEval-2015:

- Fully based on training collections
- Baseline: SVM+boolean vectors
- Best approaches in bank domain (SentiRuEval-2015) were at the level of the SVM baseline  
F-macro=0.3578, F-micro=0.3736

At SentiRuEval-2016 the picture is quite different!!

# Use of additional resources

Best participants used:

- word clusters (word2vec)
- manual lexicon RuSentiLex  
<http://www.labinform.ru/pub/rusentilex/index.htm>
- PMI-based lexicon based on tweets collection  
[study.mokoron.com](http://study.mokoron.com)
- the crowdsourced lexicon Linis-crowd  
<http://linis-crowd.org/>

Method: combining resources with machine learning via additional features:

- number of positive words from a lexicon,
- number of negative words,
- average score of lexicon words,
- features based on clusters.

# Use of additional resources: method

Combining resources with machine learning via additional features:

Traditional features

- Lemmas, word ngrams (bigram, three grams), character grams with weights (tf.idf)

Additional features

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- number of negative words,
- average score of lexicon words,
- features based on clusters

# Results: Banking domain

Run	Macro-F	Micro-F
SVM baseline	0.3416	0.5829
Participant 1 (3d place) V+	0.4882	0.5362
Participant 2 (1st place) NN+	<b>0.5594</b>	0.6569
Participant 9 (2d place) V+	0.5493	<b>0.6813</b>
Participant 10 (4 <sup>th</sup> place) V+	0.5055	0.6254

# Results: Telecom domain

Run	Macro-F	Micro-F
SVM baseline	0.4555	0.4952
Participant 1 (3d place) V+	0.4683	0.5022
Participant 2 (1st place) NN+	<b>0.5517</b>	<b>0.5881</b>
Participant 9 (2d place) V+	0.5245	0.5653
Participant 10 (4 <sup>th</sup> place) V+	0.4659	0.5053

# RuSentiLex

Russian Lexicon of sentiment words and phrases created semi-automatically

- General word and expressions with sentiment
- Words and phrases with connotations (*unemployment, global warming*)
- Twitter slang

Labels: positive, negative, neutral, positive/negative

Sentiment ambiguity described – reference to RuThes thesaurus concepts

<http://www.labinform.ru/pub/rusentilex/rusentilex.txt>

# RuSentiLex: description of ambiguity

## Example 1: presnyi

пресный, Adj, пресный, negative, emotion,  
"НЕВКУСНЫЙ" [tasteless]

пресный, Adj, пресный, negative, opinion,  
"НЕИНТЕРЕСНЫЙ" [insipid]

пресный, Adj, пресный, positive, fact,  
"ПРЕСНАЯ ВОДА" [fresh water]

## Example 2: gryaznii [dirty] –

all senses are negative:

грязный, Adj, грязный, negative, opinion

RuSentiLex: more than 10 thousand word and  
more than 14 thousand senses



# Conclusion

We presented the Russian sentiment analysis evaluation SentiRuEval-2016 devoted to reputation monitoring of banks and telecom companies in Twitter.

Previous evaluation SentiRuEval-2015:

- machine-learning approaches significantly depended on the training collection,
- not enough for qualitative classification of the test collection because of data sparsity and time gap.

The current results of the participants at SentiRuEval-2016: improvement based on combining machine-learning approaches :

- automatic lexical resources, word clusters,
- manual lexicons,
- their combinations

# Thank you!

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