

# Press-Release Classification & Sorting

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**1 Scraping**  
Identification of the common link part to the documents;  
PDF/PPT/Word automated download;  
Conversion to .TXT  
**Tools:** BeautifulSoup, Mechanize

**2 Tokenization**  
Separate the PR's in words/per document  
**Tools:** NLTK

**3 Pre-Processing**  
Remove specific common news identifiers and custom stop-words;  
Stemming and Lemmatization  
**Tools:** NLTK

**4 Feature Engineering**  
Bag of Word OR  
Word Embedding OR  
Combination of BoW & Word Embedding  
**Tools:** TF-IDF, Word2Vec, GloVe, FastText

**5 Model (Classifier) Building**  
Supervised Models testing  
**Tools:** Pipeline, RandomForest, GradientBoosting, ExtraTrees, Bagging, Kneighbours, MLP, LogReg, ...

**6 Vectorizer & Model Tuning**  
Hyperparameters Tuning;  
Weight adjustment, reducing false negatives  
**Tools:** GridSearchCV, Pipeline, Matplotlib, ...

**7 Model Evaluation & Extension**  
Accuracy testing;  
Generalize to be used for Press Releases from different companies  
**Tools:** Sklearn metrics

