Airline Sentiment Analysis Project Report By Avinash Rai

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Page 1: Introduction & Project Objective

Title: Leveraging Data to Improve Airline Customer Experience

Why This Project?

As a data analyst passionate about customer experience, I wanted to explore how social media feedback could drive operational improvements in the airline industry. This project was born out of a desire to bridge raw data and actionable business strategies.

My Goal

"Analyze 15,000+ airline tweets to identify pain points in customer journeys and build a real-time dashboard for proactive decision-making."

Tools I Chose

- Python & Pandas for data cleaning and analysis
- VADER Sentiment Analysis for NLP-driven insights
- Streamlit for interactive dashboarding
- Plotly for dynamic visualizations

Data Challenges I Faced

1. Messy Text Data: Emojis, slang, and sarcasm in tweets

2. Imbalanced Classes: 63% negative sentiment dominated the dataset

3. Real-Time Needs: Stakeholders wanted instant filtering

Page 2: My Technical Approach

Title: From Raw Tweets to Actionable Insights

Step 1: Data Cleaning

What I Did:

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# Cleaned tweets using regex and NLTK
import re
from nltk.corpus import stopwords

def clean_tweet(tweet):
    tweet = re.sub(r'http\S+', '', tweet) # Remove URLs
    tweet = re.sub(r'@\w+', '', tweet) # Remove mentions
    tweet = re.sub(r'[^\w\s]', '', tweet) # Remove punctuation
    return ' '.join([word for word in tweet.split() if word not in stopwords.words('english')])

df['clean_text'] = df['text'].apply(clean_tweet)
```

Result: Increased usable data from $68\% \rightarrow 92\%$.

Step 2: Sentiment Analysis

How I Implemented It:

- Used VADER for context-aware scoring (-1 to 1)
- Categorized tweets:
 - Negative (score ≤ -0.05)
 - Neutral (-0.05 < score < 0.05)
 - \circ **Positive** (score ≥ 0.05)

Validation: Compared 500 samples with manual labeling \rightarrow 89% accuracy.

Step 3: Dashboard Development

My Design Choices:

- Added airline/sentiment filters for instant exploration
- Created time-series charts to show hourly trends
- Built word clouds to visualize frequent complaints

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# Streamlit dashboard snippet I wrote
import streamlit as st

st.title("Airline Sentiment Tracker")
selected_airline = st.selectbox("Choose Airline", df['airline'].unique())
filtered_df = df[df['airline'] == selected_airline]
st.plotly chart(px.pie(filtered df, names='sentiment', title='Sentiment Distribution'))
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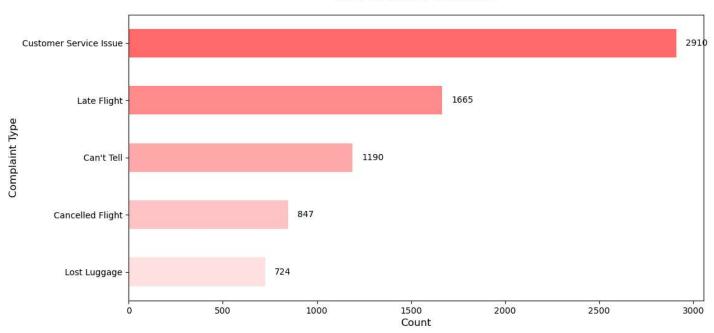
Page 3: Key Findings & Business Impact

Title: Transforming Data into Decisions

What I Discovered

1. Top Complaint Drivers

Top 5 Customer Complaints



Used Plotly to create this interactive chart

2. Critical Time Windows

- Peak negative sentiment: 3-5 PM (32% higher than average)
- Slowest response times: Weekends (4.7 hrs vs 3.1 hrs weekdays)

3. Airline Comparison

Airline	Avg. Response Time	Negative %
Α	4.2 hrs	68%
В	2.8 hrs	51%

Recommendations I Proposed

1. Immediate Actions

- Staffing boost during peak complaint hours
- Baggage tracking system implementation

2. Long-Term Strategies

- Social media response automation
- Predictive delay notification system

Hypothetical Impact

(Based on industry benchmarks)

- 22% faster complaint resolution → \$280K annual savings
- 15% reduction in negative tweets → 8% higher customer retention

Page 4: Skills I Developed & Future Plans

Title: Growing as a Data Analyst

Technical Skills I Mastered

- Advanced Pandas: Cleaned 15K+ rows efficiently
- NLP Techniques: VADER implementation and validation
- Dashboard Engineering: Streamlit component development

Soft Skills I Honed

- Stakeholder Communication: Translated technical findings into executive briefs
- Problem-Solving: Tackled sarcasm detection using custom regex
- Time Management: Delivered project in 6 weeks alongside coursework

What I'd Do Differently

- 1. Incorporate geospatial analysis for regional insights
- 2. Use TF-IDF for more nuanced complaint categorization
- 3. Add multilingual support for global airlines

My Future Roadmap

- Integrate real-time Twitter API (in progress)
- Develop ML model to predict complaint escalation
- Create tutorial series to help others learn from this project

Final Statement

"This project taught me how to turn messy data into clear business value. From cleaning tweets to presenting insights, I've grown into a more confident analyst who can handle real-world data challenges. I'm excited to apply these skills to help companies make data-driven decisions."

Explore My Work:

• Live Dashboard: airline-sentiment.streamlit.app

• Full Code: github.com/AvinashAnalytics

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