Twitter Analysis of Social Distancing ¶

In this project we will use the spacy and sklearn libraries to do some n_gram analysis along with some sentiment analysis of Twitter regarding social distancing. Due to the limitations of the twitter API, we have chosen a relatively small sample size to use for this purpose.

The code, along with the files necessary and versions of packages in this instance can be found on this repo: https://github.com/Benjamin-Siebold/MSDS-682-Text-Analytics (https://github.com/Benjamin-Siebold/MSDS-682-Text-Analytics)

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In [152]: from afinn import Afinn
import spacy
import nltk
#nlp = spacy.Load('en_core_web_lg')

from wordcloud import WordCloud
from PIL import Image

import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from collections import OrderedDict
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer, TfidfVectorizer
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1 - Dig into data

The first step in this analysis is to load the data into jupyter, and get a general understanding of the data to see if there are any duplicate rows, and duplicate tweets from retweets.

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In [2]: tweets = pd.read_json('tweet_text.json',lines=True)
In [8]: tweets['id'].nunique()
Out[8]: 2476
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In [11]:
              tweets
 Out[11]:
                      contributors coordinates created_at
                                                                               entities
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                                                                      'user mentions...
In [111]:
              tweet text = pd.DataFrame(tweets['text'])
              tweet_text.count()
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2 - Apply n_gram analysis

Now that the data has been investigated, we see that although all of the tweets are unique in ids, there are less than half of unique tweets, which is due to retweets. In the tweet collection, we had the type set to recent, which was getting the most recent tweets. Conclusions could be made that a few individuals were influencers and had a larger following retweeting their tweets causing the retweet spam. The next step is to create an n_gram of both two and three, along with a wordcloud and sorted dictionary.

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In [142]: vectorizer_2 = CountVectorizer(ngram_range = (2,2))
    vectorizer_3 = CountVectorizer(ngram_range = (3,3))

In [149]: ngram_2_counts = vectorizer_2.fit_transform([joined_tweets])
    tweets_2_counts = np.array(ngram_2_counts.todense()).flatten()
    ngram_3_counts = vectorizer_3.fit_transform([joined_tweets])
    tweets_3_counts = np.array(ngram_3_counts.todense()).flatten()
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In [150]:
          tweets frequency = {}
           for v, i in vectorizer 2.vocabulary .items():
               tweets_frequency[v] = tweets_2_counts[i]
           tf3 = {}
           for v, i in vectorizer 3.vocabulary .items():
               tf3[v] = tweets_3_counts[i]
          fig = plt.figure(figsize=(12, 12))
 In [52]:
          wc = WordCloud()
           plt.imshow(wc.generate from frequencies(tweets frequency))
 Out[52]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x24f84e582e8>
            75
            100
           125
           150
           175
                                                                                    observe
                                 100
                                           150
                                                     200
                                                               250
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          sorted tf 3 = OrderedDict(sorted(tf3.items(), key=lambda kv: kv[1],
In [155]:
                                                                                  reverse=Tru
           sorted_tf_3
Out[155]: OrderedDict([('social distancing rules', 280),
                        ('social distancing for', 229),
                        ('fuck social distancing', 227),
                        ('said fuck social', 225),
                        ('rt kehlani people', 223),
                        ('kehlani people said', 223),
                        ('people said fuck', 223),
                        ('distancing for the', 223),
                        ('for the club', 223),
                        ('the club repeat', 223),
                        ('club repeat the', 223),
                        ('repeat the club', 223),
                        ('the club should', 223),
                        ('club should be', 223),
                        ('should be as', 223),
                        ('be as shook', 223),
                        ('as shook as', 223),
                        ('shook as am', 223),
                         'distancing rules like', 213),
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3 - Setniment Analysis

From above, we can see social distancing is the most common two gram combo, and in the three grame we see a lot of negative connotation around the social distancing, along with who one of the prodominant retweets were coming from. "social distancing rules" and "fuck social distancing" both indicate people are not in favor of the social distancing, and "rt kehlani people" tells us many of the retweets were the same tweet.

The next step in the analysis is to do sentiment analysis both of the population of tweets, as well as removing retweets to get individual thoughts.

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In [64]: afinn = Afinn()
 In [65]: afinn.score(joined_tweets)
 Out[65]: -921.0
 In [67]: afinn.score(' '.join(unique tweets['tweets'].to list()))
 Out[67]: -169.0
In [102]:
          scores = []
           for tweet in tweet text['text']:
               scores.append(afinn.score(tweet))
          tweet score = {'tweets': tweet text['text'].to list(), 'score': scores}
In [120]:
           tweet scores df = pd.DataFrame(tweet score)
In [104]:
          tweet scores df.mean()
Out[104]: score
                  -0.3684
          dtype: float64
          score count = tweet scores df.groupby(['tweets']).count().sort values(by='score'
In [122]:
           unique scores = []
           for tweet in unique_tweets['tweets']:
               unique scores.append(afinn.score(tweet))
          unique tweet score = {'tweets': unique tweets['tweets'].to list(), 'score': unique
In [107]:
          unique tweet scores df = pd.DataFrame(unique tweet score).sort values(by='score
In [108]: | unique_tweet_scores_df.mean()
Out[108]: score
                   -0.160342
          dtype: float64
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In [125]: pd.merge(score_count, unique_tweet_scores_df, on='tweets').sort_values(by='score

Out[125]:

	tweets	score_x	score_y
50	RT @jack_naylor16: Anti protesters (i.e. Racis	4	-12.0
142	RT @Francis_Hoar: No lockdown. No masks. No 's	2	-12.0
545	RT @shawngorlando: Reminder.\n\nPeople go to w	1	-10.0
740	@LewdSpeedy Social distancing is boring, he li	1	-9.0
82	RT @JolyonRubs: Last Saturday: \n"Social dista	3	-9.0
55	RT @Johnhodg10: OMG she actually said the prev	4	-8.0
325	WTF is happening to our country?! \nWhat the H	1	-8.0
243	RT @Majid_PSF: The wrong decisions of incompet	1	-8.0
286	RT @SalmonKromeDome: Purveyors of anti-racism	1	-8.0
1039	Go to hell Commi RT @NYGovCuomo: The violatio	1	-8.0
41	RT @eddysmam: Just found out that one of my ye	5	-7.0

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In [158]:
          no RT = tweets[~tweets['text'].astype(str).str.startswith('RT')]
          no RT['text']
Out[158]:
          2
                  Cuomo threatens Manhattan, Hamptons shutdown o...
          4
                  @NYGovCuomo What about a protesters not social...
                         Social Distancing. https://t.co/Z0lCqbvjea (https://t.co/Z0lCq
          11
          bvjea)
          14
                  @DHSCgovuk @PHE uk Face coverings should be wo...
          24
                  @jkwan md @HeatherChwasti Exactly. How much? I...
          25
                  @mullymt @corinne perkins @ComfortablySmug @Je...
          30
                  @letusgraduate Thanks for the tag. Check the B...
          31
                   Social distancing should have been a thing way...
                  @NYGovCuomo Get off your power trip...there we...
          46
          51
                  Well said! I fear their solution to this will ...
                  Getting closer! Keep social distancing, wearin...
          63
                   It's all so "not surprising" that in today's w...
          64
                  @IngrahamAngle The WHO said social distancing ...
          65
          66
                  @Shaheensloan98 @wendymo94921768 @julesserkin ...
          67
                  @rukiakuchiki50 No, that would violate social ...
          77
                       @ErebusRC Social distancing off to an art 
          81
                   i'll also be social distancing more than 6 fee...
                  @ottawanag @WholeFoods We've been pretty good ...
          84
          87
                  @lees1969 There is no update on the 2m distanc...
          95
                  The city of Simi Valley won't be helping to pu...
                   Social distancing, ima need my space ∜ ♥ https:... (https:...)
          108
          109
                                @maudjpeg sorry im social distancing
                  @CNN So during the protesting against #BlackLi...
          111
                  Watching how people treat the social distancin...
          112
          113
                  @nypost As soon as he and De Blasio allowed th...
          116
                  Customers coming right in front of me to compl...
          125
                  @sahar ashfaq Enforcing lockdown isn't the onl...
          130
                  @FLhomegrown @ChidiNwatu @GOPChairwoman @realD...
                  Boris Johnson: 'potential' to revise 2m social...
          131
          132
                   Scientists report flaws in WHO-funded study on...
          2377
                  Coronavirus outbreak\nScientists report flaws ...
          2378
                  Whilst our front door will be open again from ...
                  WAnt to see if someone is near you in the ware...
          2381
          2390
                  To maintain social distancing during an appoin...
          2394
                   Boris Johnson has suggested there will be no r...
          2397
                  @NYGovCuomo So demonstration are not enforcing...
                  Coronavirus: Consumers 'should shop with confi...
          2398
          2399
                  Not easy to keep to social distancing rules wh...
          2400
                  Not easy to keep to social distancing rules wh...
          2401
                  What does support look like in a #remotework e...
          2405
                  @hrenee80 Can't wait til Hollywood starts to n...
          2406
                  @AlbertMacGloan No social distancing - No mask...
          2407
                  ICYMI: An art gallery in Paris has introduced ...
          2409
                  @LisaWar93308805 Seurat, bathers ...... Mone...
                  @DeAnna4Congress People who ignore or question...
          2420
          2426
                  We are social distancing waiting for sunday fu...
                  Yes, that's Champions of Midgard.\n\nMy wife a...
          2432
          2435
                  @RBKingston @TheKingstonAca @tiffingirls sch H...
          2441
                  @2termstrump @MikeLevin You know how there's a...
          2448
                   I really cut everyone off and started distanci...
                  @ CharlesMurphy In the U.K., non essential sho...
          2450
          2464
                  @radioMelO We're these people not social dista...
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@maeday05 I'm coming to your house for dinner....
          2472
          2473
                  @roundabout111 @TheSteveTheCat @atrupar You gi...
                  @NAPLIC @Laura Pettifar I think you're right L...
          2477
                  @BBCNews Social distancing? The government has...
          2479
          2482
                  @hvngry eyes This is a lie! I remember an inte...
          2491
                  Social distancing IOW Festival from home @abso...
                  @Reuters Ok social distancing under review. Bu...
          2496
          2498
                  You all out there, please remember that the SA...
          Name: text, Length: 579, dtype: object
In [130]:
          afinn.score(' '.join(no_RT['text'].to_list()))
Out[130]: -183.0
In [140]: no RT scores = []
          for tweet in no_RT['text']:
               no RT scores.append(afinn.score(tweet))
          no RT score = {'tweets': no RT['text'].to list(), 'score': no RT scores}
In [141]:
          no_RT_score_df = pd.DataFrame(no_RT_score).sort_values(by='score')
          no RT score df.mean()
Out[141]: score
                  -0.316062
          dtype: float64
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Sentiment Summary

From above we can see when the population is looked at, the overall sentiment score of the entire text is 9 times worse than that of the unique tweets. This is most likely the cause of many retweets causing inflation in the negative direction, the mean sentiment of tweets are also quite a bit different from eachother. What is interesting is when retweets are completely taken out, the mean sentiment of the tweets falls more in line with the total population analysis, and not the unique tweets. This directly contradicts the total sentiment scores of the tweets. What could be the cause of this is unique tweets include the retweets a single time, thus if there are positive retweets that are included they could cause a shift; however, the no retweets suggests the general mentality towards social distancing is negative.