COVID19 SYMPTOMS ANALYSIS USING TWITTER DATA

An end-to-end data science project

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Presentation of this session

Giving you technical tools and basic understanding of how they work on a concrete example: a Twitter analysis of COVID19 symptoms.

→ We want to analyze the reception of the global pandemic on social media, and more specifically, COVID19 symptoms people might mention on Twitter.

Overview of this session	
Tweets collection	How to use the Twitter API and code example
Data preparation	Preprocessing and filtering of textual data
Data visualization	Interactive graphs using plotly
Modelization	Building a machine learning classifier

TWITTER API



Requirements: create a developer's account on https://developer.twitter.com/en **Ressources**:

- Official API documentation: https://developer.twitter.com/en/docs/twitter-api
- Python package tweepy: http://docs.tweepy.org/en/latest/index.html

Some requests examples:

- Get user timeline: get historical data, up to the 3,200 last tweets of a user (ref: API | tweepy)
- Streaming: get real-time sampled data (1%) + filter (ref: API | tweepy)
- Lookup user: get information screen name, description, profile picture on a user (ref: API | tweepy)
- Followers ids: get a user's followers (ref: API | tweepy)

TWITTER API

→ Tweets as **json** objects



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"created at" : "Thu Apr 06 15:24:15 +0000 2017" ,
"id_str" : "850006245121695744" ,
"text" : "1\/ Today we\u2019re sharing our vision for the future of the Twitter API platform!\nhttps:\/\/t.co\/XweGnqmxlP'
"user" : {
 "id" : 2244994945 ,
 "name" : "Twitter Dev" ,
 "screen_name" : "TwitterDev" ,
 "location" : "Internet" ,
 "url" : "https:\/\/dev.twitter.com\/" ,
 "description" : "Your official source for Twitter Platform news, updates & events. Need technical help? Visit https:\//>
"place" : {
"entities" : {
 "hashtags" : [
 ] ,
 "urls" : [
    "url" : "https:\/\/t.co\/XweGngmxlP" ,
     "unwound" : {
     "url" : "https:\/\/cards.twitter.com\/cards\/18ce53wgo4h\/3xo1c" ,
      "title" : "Building the Future of the Twitter API Platform"
 "user_mentions" : [
```

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How we collected the tweets

Streaming

Filter : Île-de-France

Collecting 30 651 users



Timelines

On the 30,651 users
Historical data



Data cleaning

55M of tweets

Symptoms analysis



On the 30,651 users

Dernière actualisation: 26/10/2020



SOME CODE EXAMPLE: <u>streaming api</u>; <u>get timeline api</u>

DATA PREPARATION

Aim: getting the tweets of people talking about their symptoms.

Preprocessing:

- Remove retweets (half of the dataset)
- Remove mentions (@mention) and url ([url])
- Dictionary of symptoms

Symptoms:

- Cough (toux, tousse)
- Fever (fièvre)
- Sore throat (maux de gorge, mal à la gorge)
- Headache (mal de tête, mal à la tête, mal de crâne)
- Breathing difficulties (difficultés à respirer, difficultés respiratoires, mal à respirer)
- Loss of taste and smell (perte du goût, perte de l'odorat)
- Symptom (symptôme)

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