# **EECS 4312 Software Requirements**

# **Assignment 1**

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# Task 1: Choosing a Mobile App

Loneliness in aging populations is an important issue, especially in Canada, whose population is aging. Given the strong link between social networks and well-being, it is important to find solutions to keep seniors connected to their loved ones as they age.

# **Introduction and Background**

The well-being of the elderly population is strongly correlated to the quality of their social lives. Loneliness substantially increases the risk of depression, mood disorders, and feelings of hopelessness in the elderly [1]. This problem is especially daunting in Canada, where, according to estimates by the Government of Canada, 40% of Canadian adults will be seniors by 2038 [2].

Many apps exist that aim to fulfill the need of maintaining social connections and staying in contact with friends and family. Out of these apps and services, GrandPad stands out in its ability to meet user needs.

#### **GrandPad**

GrandPad (Google Play ID net.grandpad.puma) is an app used to maintain a private social network between loved ones, including a senior user who owns a GrandPad tablet.

The app's goals are to provide instant messaging and high-quality video-calling in real-time across the world with secure connections. As a simple, no-frills service to stay connected with loved ones, WhatsApp Messenger provides an easy-to-use app that can be utilized to maintain social connections across geographical barriers.

GrandPad's goal is to provide a platform for maintaining the social network of a senior loved one. The app, along with the GrandPad tablet for elderly users, provides a user-friendly interface for audio and video calls, messages, sharing of photos and videos, and online games. As a simple, no-frills service to keep a network of family members and friends connected, GrandPad provides an easy-to-use app that can be utilized to maintain social connections across geographical barriers.

Research conducted on this topic found that the majority of GrandPad users found the platform easy to use and felt more connected from using it [3]. GrandPad is especially promising when compared with modern social media services, whose newsfeed-style platforms have mixed results in fostering meaningful socialization [4]. Currently, Grand-Pad stands out to be a leading tool in the category of senior apps for maintaining social connections.

# Task 2: Identify User, Software, and System Requirements

The identification of user, software, and system requirements were scraped and analyzed from the Google Play Store, both from the app's description and its reviews, and from GrandPad's website.

# **User Requirements**

In total, 31 user requirements were discovered, spanning 6 distinct categories.

Requirement Category	Description	Count
NET	Requirements related to the creation and administration of private social networks.	9
HELP	Requirements related to user support services.	3
CALL	Requirements related to video and voice calling.	4
UI	Requirements related to the user interface of the GrandPad app and tablet.	8
POST	Requirements related to creating, editing, and commenting on posts in a network.	6
GAME	Requirements related to online games within a network.	1
Total		31

### User Requirements from GrandPad's Description and Website

The following user requirements were created from analyzing GrandPad's goals and desired outcomes for families. The Google Play Store description contains many needs that GrandPad claims to satisfy [5], and the GrandPad website lists product details that fill gaps for its users [6].

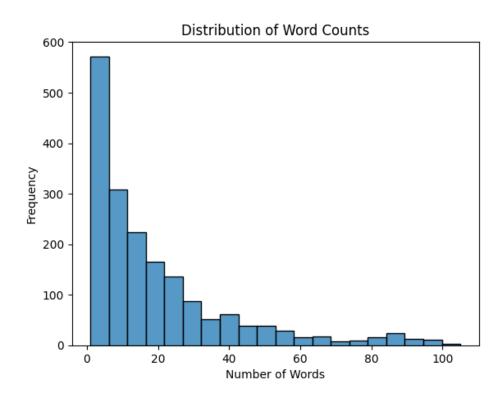
- **USER-NET-01** As a member of a group of family members and friends with elderly members, I want to be able to make a private social network for us to stay connected.
- **USER-NET-02** As an elderly member of a group of family members and friends, I want to have a private network to keep us connected without the distractions and complexity of modern social media.
- **USER-CALL-01** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to make video and voice calls to intimately connect with my loved ones.
- **USER-POST-01** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to share photos and videos to stay in touch with my family members and friends.
- **USER-POST-02** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to comment and react to posts from my family and friends to stay engaged with them and their lives.
- **USER-GAME-01** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to play online games with my elderly loved one to connect with them and keep them engaged cognitively.

**USER-NET-03** As a caregiver for an elderly family member, I want to be able to remotely configure and administer their GrandPad tablet to help them with problems they are having with it.

### **Analyzing GrandPad's Google Play Reviews**

Next, the reviews from the GrandPad Google Play Store app were analyzed. The following explanation of the analysis of GrandPad's reviews is a summary of the Jupyter Notebook in Appendix A.

Using the google-play-scraper Python library, reviews were scraped from the Google Play Store. Initially, 1,823 reviews were scraped, many of which were under 10 words. This is shown in the histogram below.



To reduce the amount of data to analyze, all reviews under 10 words were removed. The reviews were then split by their rating (5 stars: positive, 2-4 stars: mixed, 1 star: negative) and run through a Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) algorithm from Scikit Learn to identify important topics from each category of the reviews.

#### **User Requirements from Negative Reviews**

The analysis of negative reviews led to some recurring topics, which included lack of professional support, intrusive app behavior, lack of personalization functionality, poor quality of video and voice calls, and frustrating notification experience.

- **USER-HELP-01** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I need to have access to support staff during work hours to help configure the network.
- **USER-HELP-02** As a senior user of GrandPad, I need to have access to support staff during work hours to help troubleshoot problems with the GrandPad tablet.
- **USER-UI-01** As a user of the GrandPad app, I don't want the app to override Do Not Disturb mode on my phone.
- **USER-UI-02** As an administrator of a GrandPad network, I want to be able to customize the elderly user's GrandPad tablet to suit their proficiency and comfort levels with technology.
- **USER-UI-03** As an elderly user of the GrandPad tablet who is moderately comfortable with technology, I want to be able to customize the my GrandPad tablet to add or remove features.
- **USER-CALL-02** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to video call with high enough quality to see and hear my loved ones.
- **USER-CALL-03** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to voice call with high enough quality to hear my loved ones.
- **USER-POST-03** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to be able to receive notifications when a member of the network posts, comments, or reacts to a post, or calls me.
- **USER-UI-04** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to be able to clear all notifications at once, without having to individually clear each one.

#### **User Requirements from Mixed Reviews**

When analyzing the mixed reviews, some recurring topics were connecting multiple Grand-Pad tablets to a single network, being part of multiple networks, editing posts and comments, vague error messages, posting/downloading multiple files at once, and sending message to or calling specific people in a network.

- **USER-NET-04** As an administrator of a GrandPad family network, I need to be able to add multiple users with GrandPad tablets to a single network, to accommodate multiple elderly family members.
- **USER-NET-05** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to be able to easily join and switch between multiple GrandPad family networks because I am part of multiple social circles with elderly people.
- **USER-POST-04** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to be able to edit the posts and comments that I make in case I wrote a typo.
- **USER-UI-05** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to know the reason when an upload fails so that I can take action to fix it.

- **USER-POST-05** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to post multiple files at once because I have many pictures and videos from a single event that I want to share.
- **USER-POST-06** As a user of the GrandPad app, I want to download the files that my family members and friends share to have them saved on my device.
- **USER-CALL-04** As a caregiver of an elderly family member, I want to send messages to or call the elderly member specifically so that I can check up on them.

#### **User Requirements from Positive Reviews**

When analyzing positive reviews, prominent topics that were found include positive customer service experience, ease of use for non-tech savvy users, ability to connect over geographical barriers, privacy, lack of scams and telemarketers, lack of advertisements, and ability to connect multiple generations of users.

- **USER-HELP-03** As an elderly user of GrandPad, I need access to customer support that is patient and polite because I have difficulty using technology.
- **USER-UI-06** As an elderly user of GrandPad, I need the interface to be simple enough to use with little to no technology experience.
- **USER-NET-06** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to be able to stay connected with my loved ones even though they live far away or in places I cannot easily get to.
- **USER-NET-07** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I don't want strangers to be able to join our network.
- **USER-NET-08** As an administrator of a GrandPad family network, I want to be able to choose who can join the network to keep elderly members safe.
- **USER-NET-09** As a caregiver of an elderly family member, I want the peace of mind of knowing that they are safe from scammers on the app.
- **USER-UI-07** As a member of a GrandPad family network, I want to use the app to stay connected without being distracted by advertisements.
- **USER-UI-08** As a younger member of a GrandPad family network, I want the app to be engaging for me, while being simple enough for non tech-savvy members to use.

# **Functional Requirements**

Many of the user requirements translate directly into functional requirements. Going forward, "the system" will be used to refer to the GrandPad platform, including the app, tablet, and the support staff of the platform, where applicable.

# Functional Requirements Related to the Creation and Administration of Private Social Networks

- **FUNC-NET-01** The system shall allow users to register for accounts with administrator privileges for a given social network that contains an elderly member.
- **FUNC-NET-02** The system shall allow a user with an administrator role to create a private social network for their group of family members and friends.
- **FUNC-NET-03** The system shall allow a user with an administrator role to invite family members and friends into their private social network.
- **FUNC-NET-04** The system shall allow a user with an administrator role to view the people in their private social network.
- **FUNC-NET-05** The system shall allow a user with an administrator role to remove members from their private social network.
- **FUNC-NET-06** The system shall not allow any user to join a private social network without the approval of at least one of that network's administrative users.
- **FUNC-NET-07** The system shall allow a user with an administrator role to remotely configure an elderly user's GrandPad tablet who is in the administrator's private social network.

### **Functional Requirements Related to Support Services**

- **FUNC-HELP-01** The system shall allow users to request to connect with a live support agent from the GrandPad app or GrandPad tablet.
- **FUNC-HELP-02** The system shall connect users requesting support with a live support agent during working hours (8:00 AM EST to 7:00 PM EST) within 30 minutes.
- **FUNC-HELP-03** The system's support staff shall be patient with clients, understanding that they may have little to no experience with technology, achieving a greater than 90% client satisfaction rate.

### Functional Requirements Related to Video and Voice Calling

**FUNC-CALL-01** When clients have a strong network connection, the system shall allow users to video call with a data rate of at least 1.2Mbps supporting 720p resolution

- for more than 95% of the call duration. 1
- **FUNC-CALL-02** When clients have a weak internet connection, the system shall allow users to video call with a data rate of at least 600kbps for more than 95% of the call duration. <sup>2</sup>
- **FUNC-CALL-03** When the user's internet connection cannot sustain 600kbps video calling, the system shall downgrade a video call to a voice call automatically.
- **FUNC-CALL-04** The system shall allow users to voice call at a data rate of at least 100kbps for more than 95% of the call. <sup>3</sup>
- **FUNC-CALL-05** The system shall allow users to send messages to each other and have them received within 1 minute 95% of the time.

### **Functional Requirements Related to the User Interface**

- **FUNC-UI-01** The system shall allow customization of the GrandPad app and GrandPad tablet according to a user's level of comfort with technology.
- **FUNC-UI-02** The GrandPad app shall not override Do Not Disturb mode on installed devices.
- **FUNC-UI-03** The GrandPad app shall notify users when other users in their family's private social network post, comment, and/or call, depending on the user's notification preferences.
- **FUNC-UI-04** The GrandPad app shall allow users to clear all notifications at once.
- **FUNC-UI-05** The non-administrator part of the system shall be easy enough to use that infrequent users of personal devices rate it easy to use.

## **Functional Requirements Related to Posts**

- **FUNC-POST-01** The system shall allow users to upload photos, videos, and text to a feed which all members of the private social network have access to.
- **FUNC-POST-02** The system shall allow users to upload multiple photos, videos, and/or blocks of text in a single post.
- **FUNC-POST-03** The system shall allow users to comment on posts that are posted in the network feed.
- **FUNC-POST-04** The system shall allow users to comment on posts that are posted in the network feed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Zoom Video Communications recommends 1.2Mbps Internet speed for 720p video calling [7].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Zoom Video Communications recommends 600kbps Internet speed for "high quality video calling" [7].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Zoom Video Communications recommends 60-100kbps Internet speed for audio calling [7].

# **Functional Requirements Related to Online Games**

**FUNC-GAME-01** The system shall allow users within a social network to play online games with each other.

**FUNC-GAME-02** The system shall have different online games of varying complexity to accommodate users with varying comfort levels with technology and online games.

# Comparison of User Requirements and Functional Requirements

Many of the user requirements translated directly into functional requirements. The user requirements expressed a need that a user (or a specific group of users) should have satisfied by the system. The requirements were worded like "As a user, I need ... because ...", expressing that the user has a certain goal for a certain reason. User requirements are written from the perspective of the user, and as a result there is no restriction on what the user will do. Unlike the system, the user is not what we control. Instead, the user is a stakeholder whose needs must be met.

The functional requirements were primarily adapted from the user requirements. Since the functional requirements describe the system, which is under the control of the developers, the requirements are written like "The system shall ..." to express the specific behaviors the system must exhibit. By analyzing a group of user requirements and asking what the system needs to do to satisfy them, functional requirements are discovered. All the functional requirements are testable, in that the system's performance can be measured and checked against the requirements, and a clear pass or fail will result.

# Impact of Domain Requirements on the Software Requirements

The domain requirements for GrandPad primarily result from two areas: elderly care and telecommunications.

#### **Domain Requirements for Elderly Care**

**DOM-ELDER-01** Senior technology users need protection, or education, from online scams and exploitations.

**DOM-ELDER-02** The technology used by seniors should have the ability to configure their UI to accommodate users with differing levels of comfort with technology use.

These requirements influenced the functional requirements regarding the administration of private social networks (**FUNC-NET**) and support staff (**FUNC-HELP**). The functional requirements effectively delegate the responsibility of scam protection and UI configuration to the family members that take an administrative role, along with trusted support staff to help if needed. Functional requirements **FUNC-UI-01** and **FUNC-UI-05** are also impacted by these domain requirements, as they involve the ease of use of the UI for users of all levels of technology experience.

## **Domain Requirements for Telecommunications**

**DOM-TELE-01** High definition 720p resolution video calling requires a data rate of at least 1.2Mbps [7].

DOM-TELE-02 High quality video calling requires a data rate of at least 600kbps [7].

DOM-TELE-03 Voice calling requires a data rate of at least 100kbps [7].

These requirements influenced the functional requirements related to video and voice calling (**FUNC-CALL**). Since these set limits for the ability to maintain a call with one or more people, the functionality that GrandPad must exhibit will depend on these limits.

# Task 3: Identify Competitor and Similar Apps and List Them in Your Report

	App Name	Link to Google Play	<b>Short Description</b>
Similar Apps	Uniper	com.uniper.uniapp	Personalized virtual senior living community.
	Facebook	com.facebook.katana	Social media to connect with family, friends, and various groups and organizations.
Competitor Apps	Claris for Caregivers	com.clariscompanion .caregiver	Companion app for Claris tablet, provides a private social network and regular check-ins with healthcare providers.
	WhatsApp Messenger	com.whatsapp	General instant messaging and calling app for groups of people.

When defining similar and competitor apps, both categories include apps that meet many of the functional requirements of GrandPad. However, the deciding factor was whether the the app could be negatively impacted by GrandPad's success (is a negative stakeholder). If so, then it is labelled a competitor app.

For an app to be a negative stakeholder, users of GrandPad must be able to transition to the other platform without losing much of their functionality.

In the case of Claris for Caregivers, the app provides a private social network and a special tablet for the elderly user, similar to GrandPad, with access to comprehensive health check-ins. Users transitioning from GrandPad to Claris would still have most of their needs satisfied, including video and voice calls, private networks, simple user interfaces, and connections across geographical barriers.

A transition to WhatsApp Messenger would yield similar results. Although users would no longer enjoy protection from scams and would have privacy concerns, users would still be able to make video and voice calls, share posts, and send messages through a simple interface with high quality and reliability. Research conducted during the COVID- 19 pandemic, where social isolation was the norm, showed that WhatsApp messenger received praise from elderly users for its ease of use and agility for conducting day-to-dat communication [8].

Uniper and Facebook do not share this ability. Uniper, providing a virtual senior living community, lacks many of functionalities that GrandPad provides, like private social networks and sharing posts with family and friends. Facebook, providing a more traditional social media platform, has too many features distracting from the purpose of staying connected with family and friends. Research during the COVID-19 pandemic revealed mixed results when analyzing the loneliness-moderating effect of traditional social media apps like Facebook [4]. While either of these two apps provide similar services to GrandPad, users would not be able to switch to them without significant reduction in desired functionalities.

This method of choosing similar and competitor apps identifies apps that perform similar functionalities to GrandPad and can highlight areas that make GrandPad stand out or improve upon. For example, Facebook, being identified as a similar app that is not targeted enough to compete with GrandPad, could be used as a comparison, where GrandPad's privacy, content safety, and lack of advertisements are emphasized. A competitor app, like Claris for Caregivers, can be used to identify that GrandPad is missing comprehensive health features, such as connecting with healthcare providers.

This approach lacks in being primarily conceptual, however. No usage statistics, rating, or topic modelling were used to confirm these categorizations. For example, it may be discovered that Claris for Caregivers is not a competitor because it has a low user satisfaction rate. Additionally, the reliance of this method on manual searching for similar and competitor apps is not comprehensive and likely resulted in missed opportunities in finding additional apps for these categories.

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# **Appendices**

The following appendices contain the code that was referenced throughout this report. Appendix A contains the Jupyter Notebook for the review processing for the GrandPad app on the Google Play Store.

#### GrandPad Reviews Analysis

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#### 1 Retrieving and Preprocessing GrandPad Google Play Reviews

Import required libraries.

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
     from langdetect import detect_langs
     import re
     import seaborn as sns
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import os
     from pathlib import Path
     from utils.review_utils import get_google_play_data
     from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
     from sklearn.decomposition import LatentDirichletAllocation
     import re
    import nltk
    from nltk.corpus import stopwords
     from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer
    from pathlib import Path
    import os
     import pyLDAvis
     import pyLDAvis.lda_model
    from utils.review_utils import find_reviews_by_keyword_list
```

#### 1.1 Scraping Data

First, scrape the reviews from the Google Play Store.

```
[2]: # Get reviews
APP_ID = 'net.grandpad.puma'
reviews = get_google_play_data(APP_ID)
df = pd.DataFrame(reviews)

# Print a few reviews (just the score and content)
print('Score Content')
print('-----')
for i in range(5):
    print(f"{df.iloc[i]['score']:<7}{df.iloc[i]['content']}")</pre>
```

```
Score Content
```

- 5 Love the app for keeping my family in touch.
- 5 Grandpad is a great way to stay connected to those near and far.
- 5 My 94 year old aunt always tells me how much she loves her GrandPad! She's become very proficient at making phone calls, & sending voice & text messages. And she loves the photo display!
- 5 Enjoyed and used by the whole family
- 4 Great medium to remain in contact with our loved ones.

```
[3]: # Print number of rows in the data
rows0 = df.shape[0]
print(f'Initially there are {rows0:,} reviews')
```

Initially there are 1,823 reviews

The length of the reviews might give important insight into the quality of the review.

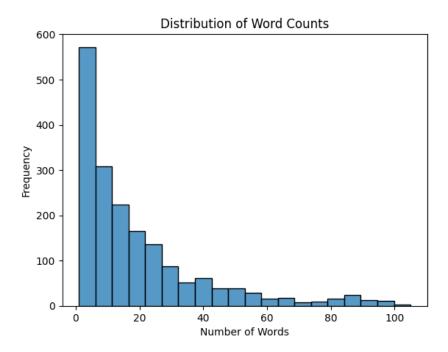
```
[4]: # Make column for word count (of the review content)

df['word_count'] = df['content'].str.split().apply(lambda s: 0 if s == None

else len(s))
```

Plotting the distribution of the word counts of the reviews, we see that the vast majority of the reviews contain fewer than 10 words.

```
[5]: # Histogram of the word count of the reviews
sns.histplot(df['word_count'], bins=20)
plt.xlabel('Number of Words')
plt.ylabel('Frequency')
plt.title('Distribution of Word Counts')
plt.show()
```



#### 1.2 Removing Short Reviews

√{rows0 - rows1:,} reviews)')

We will remove short reviews, since they probably don't contain much useful information.

After filtering out short reviews, we have 1,063 reviews (removed 760 reviews)

#### 1.3 Splitting Reviews By Rating

It is likely that reviews that rate the app highly will have positive things to say about the app, whereas reviews with lower ratings will contain complaints about the app. Positive reviews can be used to detect requirements that are being satisfied and negative reviews can point to ignored requirements (or new, previously unspecified requirements).

Shown below, most of the reviews are 1 star, with 5 star reviews following close behind. Reviews with 2, 3, and 4 stars are significantly smaller in number, but when combined together have almost the same amount as the 1 and 5 star reviews.

```
[8]: # Print the counts of each rating
    print(df['score'].value_counts().sort_index())
    score
    1
          46
    2
          17
    3
          36
    4
          80
    5
         884
    Name: count, dtype: int64
[9]: # Split the reviews into negative (1 star), mixed (2, 3, and 4 stars), and
     # positive (5 stars)
     df_negative = df[df['score'] == 1].copy()
     df mixed = df[(df['score'] == 2) | (df['score'] == 3) | (df['score'] == 4)].
    df_positive = df[df['score'] == 5].copy()
```

Shown below, the 1 star reviews are mostly negative,

```
[10]: for i in range(5):
    print(f"{df_negative.iloc[i]['content']}\n")
```

Speakerphone no longer working I would give zero stars if possible

95% of the time, it seems, this is worthless. My aunt is in a nursing home -- that's why I bought a grandpad, but I usually cannot hear her. Yes, I have tried numerous times w the help center.

This app is not functioning as it should. I was on a regular phone call and the Grandpad rang through while I was on the phone call, interrupting my call. Additionally, I had my phone on no not disturb and the Grandpad app still somehow rang through. There are bugs that need to be worked out because this app is terrible.

I am so upset right now because I put in my email address and they say it's wrong what does this app want lies a am starting to believe that this app is a scam I am Uninstalling they won't let me do my email account because they say they don't have it developers please fix this issue I am feeling sad right now

so disappointed  $\,\,$  this app looked like fun only problem is that they don't like my email account

Unable to Personalize GrandPad as Administrator. Calling Support hasn't helped.

the 2, 3, and 4 star reviews are mixed,

```
[11]: for i in range(5):
    print(f"{df_mixed.iloc[i]['content']}\n")
```

Great medium to remain in contact with our loved ones.

Once you have figured out how to set it up it's an awesome device. It almost got thrown across the room while I was trying to get it up and running for my 86 yo mother who has dementia. Once it's set up though it's easy. I highly recommend to get this before the senior citizen is as advanced in dementia as my mom is. She is scared of it and even though I tell her to practice and reassure her she can't mess it up she still won't use it alone.

So far, this app is great. My grandma is having an easier time with this than other social apps

I have a few questions on posting things & submitted it. Waiting on a response.

The app is fantastic. It's a great way to keep in touch with loved ones. I love that I can post videos and pictures or do video calls with anyone in my family who has access to the app. Also I love some of the recent changes. Keep up the good work, Grandpad!

and the 5 star reviews are mostly positive.

```
[12]: for i in range(5):
    print(f"{df_positive.iloc[i]['content']}\n")
```

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Grandpad}}$  is a great way to stay connected to those near and far.

My 94 year old aunt always tells me how much she loves her GrandPad! She's become very proficient at making phone calls, & sending voice & text messages. And she loves the photo display!

Easy to use! Large variety of music, easy to load photos!

This makes sharing photos and memories with my senior citizen father much easier. We are able to connect very easily and he can call me without memorizing a phone number. That adds to helping him feel more independent as he ages.

The screen and user interface are simple, and easy to use for mom. Just the right features to stay in touch and share photos/videos.

#### 1.4 Saving Preprocessed Data to Files

As the last step, we will save the dataframes to CSV files so that they can be used later.

```
[13]: # Path of this notebook
NOTEBOOK_PATH = Path(os.path.abspath(''))

# Path of data files
DATA_PATH = NOTEBOOK_PATH.parent / 'data'

# Ensure data directory exists
DATA_PATH.mkdir(exist_ok=True)

# Save dataframes
df_positive.to_csv(DATA_PATH / 'positive_reviews.csv', index=False)
df_mixed.to_csv(DATA_PATH / 'mixed_reviews.csv', index=False)
df_negative.to_csv(DATA_PATH / 'negative_reviews.csv', index=False)
```

#### 2 Performing LDA Analysis

Now that the reviews have been preprocessed, we will analyze each category of reviews by applying an LDA (Latent Dirichlet Allocation) model.

First, we define a function for preparing text for LDA analysis.

```
[14]: nltk.download('wordnet')
     numbers_re = re.compile(r'\d+')
      punctuation_re = re.compile(r'[^\w\s]')
      extra_spaces_re = re.compile(r'\s+')
      lemmatizer = WordNetLemmatizer()
      def preprocess_text(text):
          Cleans 'text' by:
            - setting it to lower case,
            - removing numbers,
            - removing punctuation,
            - removing extra spaces,
            - lemmatizing words, and
            - removing stopwords.
          text = text.lower()
          text = numbers_re.sub(r'', text)
          text = punctuation_re.sub('', text)
```

```
text = extra_spaces_re.sub(' ', text)
text = ' '.join([lemmatizer.lemmatize(word) for word in text.split() if_
word not in stopwords.words('english')])
return text
```

[nltk\_data] Downloading package wordnet to /home/daniel/nltk\_data...
[nltk\_data] Package wordnet is already up-to-date!

Next, we define a function for creating the LDA model given a dataframe containing reviews.

```
[15]: def make_lda_model(df: pd.DataFrame):
          Makes a LatentDirichletAllocation (LDA) model of the data in `df` DataFrame.
          `df` must have a `'cleaned_content'` column that contains the cleaned
          content of the reviews.
          Returns:
          `lda_model` - the generated LDA model.
          `vectorizer` - the vectorizer that was used on the reviews to convert the
          text data into numbers.
          `X` - the vectorized data of the cleaned reviews.
          # Vectorize the text (turn words into numerical data)
          vectorizer = CountVectorizer(max df=0.95, min df=2, stop words='english')
         X = vectorizer.fit_transform(df['cleaned_content'])
          # Apply LDA for topic modeling
         NUMBER_OF_TOPICS = 5
         lda_model = LatentDirichletAllocation(n_components=NUMBER_OF_TOPICS,__
       ⇔random_state=42)
         lda_model.fit(X)
          # Assign topics to reviews
         df['topic'] = lda_model.transform(X).argmax(axis=1)
          \# Map topic numbers so that they start at 1 instead of 0 and are sorted in
          # decreasing order
          topic_sizes = df['topic'].value_counts().sort_values(ascending=False)
         size_based_mapping = {old_topic: new_topic + 1 for new_topic, old_topic in_u
       →enumerate(topic_sizes.index)}
         df['topic'] = df['topic'].map(size_based_mapping)
          def print_top_words(model, feature_names, n_top_words=10):
              Prints the top words in each topic.
```

```
topics_map = {}
for i, topic in enumerate(model.components_):
    topics_map[size_based_mapping[i]] = " ".join([feature_names[j] for_u

in topic.argsort()[:-n_top_words - 1:-1]])
for i in sorted(topics_map.keys()):
    print(f'Topic #{i}: {topics_map[i]}')

# Print top words in each topic
print_top_words(lda_model, vectorizer.get_feature_names_out())

return lda_model, vectorizer, X
```

#### 2.1 LDA Model for Positive Reviews

Creating and analyzing an LDA model for positive reviews.

[18]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>

#### 2.2 LDA Model for Mixed Reviews

Creating and analyzing an LDA model for mixed reviews.

```
Topic #1: video phone app work use time easy love need great
Topic #2: app able pad contact picture sister family mom like add
Topic #3: family great love mom easy grandpad app use user picture
Topic #4: video phone app great family photo elderly internet issue device
Topic #5: family photo comment touch great app picture delete like posted

[21]: # Visualizing the LDA model for mixed reviews
panel = pyLDAvis.lda_model.prepare(lda_model_mixed, X_mixed, vectorizer_mixed)
pyLDAvis.display(panel)

[21]: <IPython.core.display.HTML object>
```

#### 2.3 LDA Model for Negative Reviews

Creating and analyzing an LDA model for negative reviews.