

Financial News Sentiment Classification — End-to-End Project

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This notebook performs an end-to-end workflow to classify sentiment (positive / neutral / negative) of financial news headlines/sentences.

What you'll find:

1. **Data Collection:** Load Financial PhraseBank and optionally **scrape recent headlines** (Yahoo Finance / EastMoney).
2. **Cleaning & Preprocessing:** lowercase, punctuation removal, stopwords removal, lemmatization.
3. **Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):** class balance, word frequency, word cloud, key terms.
4. **Modeling** (3+ models):
 - **Multinomial Naive Bayes** (TF-IDF features)
 - **BiLSTM** (pretrained embeddings or randomly initialized)
 - **Transformer fine-tuning** (FinBERT or DistilBERT baseline)
5. **Evaluation:** accuracy, precision/recall/F1, confusion matrix; compare models.
6. **Application:** apply the best model to **unseen** scraped/manual headlines and interpret predictions.

Scoring focus: clarity and depth of data prep, EDA, and model selection rationale. Model performance supports your narrative.

0. Setup

Install packages (one-time). If you're in a restricted environment, consider running only classical models (NB+TF-IDF) first.

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In [28]: # If running locally, uncomment as needed (may take time for Transformers).
# %pip install -q numpy pandas scikit-learn matplotlib wordcloud nltk beautifulsoup4
# %pip install -q tensorflow==2.* gensim
# %pip install -q transformers datasets torch --extra-index-url https://download.pytorch.org/whl/cpu
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1. Imports & Utilities

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In [29]: import os, re, json, math, random, string, time, warnings, itertools, collections
from pathlib import Path

import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, confusion_matrix, accuracy_score
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
from sklearn.utils.class_weight import compute_class_weight

from wordcloud import WordCloud

import nltk
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.stem import WordNetLemmatizer

warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")

# Ensure NLTK data is available locally; download missing resources to a writable directory
NLTK_DIR = str(Path("./nltk_data").resolve())
os.makedirs(NLTK_DIR, exist_ok=True)
# Ensure both runtime path and environment variable are set so all NLTK calls see the data
if NLTK_DIR not in nltk.data.path:
    nltk.data.path.insert(0, NLTK_DIR)
os.environ["NLTK_DATA"] = NLTK_DIR

# If zipped corpora exist locally, extract them into expected directories
try:
    import zipfile
    to_extract = [
        (Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "wordnet.zip", Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "wordnet"),
        (Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "omw-1.4.zip", Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "omw-1.4"),
        (Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "stopwords.zip", Path(NLTK_DIR) / "corpora" / "stopwords"),
        (Path(NLTK_DIR) / "tokenizers" / "punkt.zip", Path(NLTK_DIR) / "tokenizers" / "punkt")
    ]
    for zpath, dstpath in to_extract:
        if zpath.exists() and not dstpath.exists():
            dstpath.parent.mkdir(parents=True, exist_ok=True)
            with zipfile.ZipFile(zpath, "r") as zf:
                zf.extractall(dstpath.parent)
except Exception:
    pass

resources = [
    ("corpora/stopwords", "stopwords"),
    ("corpora/wordnet", "wordnet"),
    ("tokenizers/punkt", "punkt"),
    ("corpora/omw-1.4", "omw-1.4"), # optional but useful for WordNet
]

def ensure_local(key: str, pkg: str) -> None:
    try:
        p = nltk.data.find(key)
        if not str(p).startswith(NLTK_DIR + os.sep):
            # present elsewhere; also place a copy under Local NLTK_DIR
            nltk.download(pkg, download_dir=NLTK_DIR, quiet=True)
            nltk.data.find(key) # re-check
    except LookupError:
        ok = nltk.download(pkg, download_dir=NLTK_DIR, quiet=True)
        if not ok:
            raise RuntimeError(f"Failed to download NLTK package: {pkg}")

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for res_key, pkg in resources:
    ensure_local(res_key, pkg)
# Optional report:
# print({pkg: str(nltk.data.find(key)) for key, pkg in resources})

EN_STOP = set(stopwords.words("english"))
LEMM = WordNetLemmatizer()

RANDOM_SEED = 42
np.random.seed(RANDOM_SEED)
random.seed(RANDOM_SEED)

DATA_DIR = Path("./data")
DATA_DIR.mkdir(exist_ok=True, parents=True)
OUT_DIR = Path("./outputs")
OUT_DIR.mkdir(exist_ok=True, parents=True)

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2. Data Collection

2.1 Load Financial PhraseBank (baseline)

Use Local CSV: put `financial_phrasebank.csv` into `./data/`

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In [30]: # Local dataset loading only – headerless CSV assumed
local_csv = DATA_DIR / "all-data.csv"
if not local_csv.exists():
    raise FileNotFoundError(
        "Dataset not found at ./data/all-data.csv. "
        "Expected two columns: label,text (no header)."
    )

# Read with fixed encoding (detected as cp1252), headerless; auto-detect delimit
tmp = pd.read_csv(local_csv, encoding="cp1252", header=None, sep=None, engine="p
if tmp.shape[1] < 2:
    raise ValueError("Expected at least two columns (label,text) in all-data.csv

df_base = tmp.iloc[:, :2]
df_base.columns = ["label", "text"]

df_base = df_base.dropna(subset=["text", "label"]).reset_index(drop=True)
df_base.head()

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Out[30]:

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	label	text
0	neutral	According to Gran , the company has no plans t...
1	neutral	Technopolis plans to develop in stages an area...
2	negative	The international electronic industry company ...
3	positive	With the new production plant the company woul...
4	positive	According to the company 's updated strategy f...

2.2 Scrape recent headlines

Fetch recent headlines via Google News RSS (no JS). This may break if providers change; if it fails, the cell will skip gracefully.

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In [31]: import requests

def scrape_google_news_ticker(ticker="AAPL", max_items=50, days=7, lang="en-US",
    """
    Fetch recent headlines via Google News RSS.
    Returns DataFrame with columns [source, ticker, title, url].
    """
    from urllib.parse import quote_plus
    from xml.etree import ElementTree as ET

    query = f"{ticker} stock"
    lang_short = lang.split("-")[0] if "-" in lang else lang
    hl = lang
    gl = region
    ceid = f"{region}:{lang_short}"
    feed_url = (
        f"https://news.google.com/rss/search?q={quote_plus(query)}+when:{days}d"
        f"&hl={hl}&gl={gl}&ceid={ceid}"
    )

    headers = {"User-Agent": "Mozilla/5.0"}
    r = requests.get(feed_url, headers=headers, timeout=15)
    r.raise_for_status()

    items = []
    root = ET.fromstring(r.text)
    for it in root.findall(".//item"):
        title = (it.findtext("title") or "").strip()
        link = (it.findtext("link") or "").strip()
        if title and len(title.split()) > 2:
            items.append({"source": "google_news", "ticker": ticker, "title": ti
        if len(items) >= max_items:
            break
    return pd.DataFrame(items).drop_duplicates(subset=["title"])

DF_SCRAPE = pd.DataFrame()
try:
    df_y_aapl = scrape_google_news_ticker("AAPL", max_items=30)
    DF_SCRAPE = pd.concat([DF_SCRAPE, df_y_aapl], ignore_index=True)
except Exception as e:
    print("Google News RSS scrape skipped:", e)

print(f"Scraped rows: {len(DF_SCRAPE)}")
if len(DF_SCRAPE):
    DF_SCRAPE.to_csv(OUT_DIR / "scraped_headlines.csv", index=False, encoding="u
DF_SCRAPE.head()
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Scraped rows: 30

Out[31]:

	source	ticker	title	url
0	google_news	AAPL	What Will Drive Apple Stock's Next Big Move? - ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiowFBV...
1	google_news	AAPL	After Earnings, Is Apple Stock a Buy, a Sell, ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMilwFBV...
2	google_news	AAPL	A Look at Apple (AAPL) Valuation After Recent ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMivAFBV...
3	google_news	AAPL	What Could Spark the Apple Stock's Next Big Mo...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiugFBV...
4	google_news	AAPL	Can Apple Shares Surge Past \$300 This Year? - ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMijgFBV...

3. Cleaning & Preprocessing

This step creates a cleaned text column (`text_clean`) for classical and RNN models, while keeping the original `text` for Transformer models.

- NLTK path restriction
 - Restrict NLTK to the local directory `./nltk_data` (no system paths, no network downloads).
- Basic normalization (`basic_clean`)
 - Lowercase all text.
 - Normalize whitespace (collapse repeats; remove tabs/newlines).
 - Keep alphanumerics and finance-relevant symbols: `- $ % . , ! ? ' .`. Remove other characters.

- Example: "According to Gran, the company has NO plans to..." → "according to gran, the company has no plans to..."
- Tokenization (offline, no punkt)
 - Use TreebankWordTokenizer to split words; works offline without extra models.
- Stopword removal
 - Remove common English stopwords via NLTK (e.g., "the", "and", "to").
 - If you want to keep negations, subtract them from the list (e.g., {"not", "no", "never"}).
- Lemmatization
 - Use WordNetLemmatizer (e.g., "companies" → "company").
 - Requires local corpora wordnet and omw-1.4 under ./nltk_data/corpora/ .
- Outputs
 - df["text_clean"] : cleaned + tokenized + stopword-removed + lemmatized text.
 - label_set , label2id , id2label : label mappings.
 - df["label_id"] : numeric labels for training.
 - Build TF-IDF (1–2-gram; min_df=3 ; max_df=0.95) and compute class-contrast n-gram scores (per class vs. others) for use in EDA Top-K tables and wordclouds.
- Downstream usage
 - TF-IDF+NB and BiLSTM use text_clean .
 - Transformers use the original text with their own tokenizer.

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In [32]: # Force NLTK to use only local nltk_data under project root
import os as _os
from pathlib import Path as _Path
import nltk as _nltk
_NLTK_DATA_DIR = str(_Path("./nltk_data").resolve())
_os.environ["NLTK_DATA"] = _NLTK_DATA_DIR
_nltk.data.path = [_NLTK_DATA_DIR]

custom_fin_stops = {
    # 报道体&通用
    "said", "say", "says", "according", "announced", "report", "today", "yesterday",
    "company", "group", "corp", "ltd", "inc", "oyj", "plc", "co", "sa", "ab", "ag",
    "business", "unit", "subsidiary", "division", "board", "management",

    # 货币/单位/数值
    "eur", "usd", "cny", "jpy", "gbp", "mn", "mln", "billion", "million", "percent", "per",
    "__NUM__", # 若做数值归一则加入
    "q1", "q2", "q3", "q4", "first", "second", "third", "fourth", "half", "nine", "month",

    # 地名/国别（可按语料调整）
    "finnish", "finland", "helsinki", "swedish", "europe", "russia", "china",

    # 其它常见名词
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    "market", "sale", "services", "service", "product", "solution", "technology", "proj
    "contract", "agreement", "deal", "order", "customer", "share", "price",

    "__num__", "period", "corresponding", "quarter", "net"
}

# Merge provided custom_fin_stops into EN_STOP
try:
    EN_STOP = EN_STOP.union(set(custom_fin_stops))
except Exception:
    pass

def normalize_num_currency(text: str):
    t = re.sub(r"\b\d+([.]\d+)?\b", "__NUM__", text)
    t = re.sub(r"\b(eur|usd|cny|jpy|gbp)\b", r"\1", t)
    return t

def basic_clean(text: str) -> str:
    if not isinstance(text, str):
        return ""
    t = text.lower()
    t = re.sub(r"\s+", " ", t)
    t = re.sub(r"[\t\n\r]", " ", t)
    t = re.sub(r"^[a-z0-9\s\-\$%.,!?'"]", " ", t)
    return t.strip()

def tokenize_lemmatize(text: str):
    # Ensure local NLTK path is recognized even if setup cell wasn't run just no
    import nltk
    from nltk.tokenize import TreebankWordTokenizer
    from pathlib import Path as _Path
    _nlp_dir = str(_Path("./nltk_data").resolve())
    if _nlp_dir not in nltk.data.path:
        nltk.data.path.insert(0, _nlp_dir)
    tok = TreebankWordTokenizer()
    words = tok.tokenize(text)
    words = [LEMM.lemmatize(w) for w in words if w not in EN_STOP and w not in s
    return " ".join(words)

df = df_base.copy()

# 固定搭配映射（提前定义，保证后续清洗可用）
COLLOCATION_MAP = {
    r"\bnet profit\b": "net_profit",
    r"\boperating profit\b": "operating_profit",
    r"\bprofit rose\b": "profit_rose",
    r"\bprofit increased\b": "profit_increased",
    r"\bprofit warning\b": "profit_warning",
    r"\braised guidance\b": "raised_guidance",
    r"\bcut guidance\b": "cut_guidance",
    r"\bmissed estimates?\b": "missed_estimates",
    r"\bbeat estimates?\b": "beat_estimates",
    r"\bupgraded? to buy\b": "upgrade_to_buy",
    r"\bdowngraded? to\b": "downgraded_to",
    r"\bloss narrowed\b": "loss_narrowed",
    r"\bnet loss\b": "net_loss",
    r"\boperating loss\b": "operating_loss",
    r"\bhigher than expected\b": "higher_than_expected",
    r"\blower than expected\b": "lower_than_expected",

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}

# 在停用词去除与词形还原之前进行“多词合并”为单 token（用下划线连接）
try:
    _COL_MAP = COLLOCATION_MAP
except NameError:
    _COL_MAP = {}

def merge_collocations_text(text: str):
    t = text
    for pat, repl in _COL_MAP.items():
        t = re.sub(pat, repl, t)
    return t

df["text_clean"] = (
    df["text"]
        .apply(basic_clean)
        .apply(normalize_num_currency)
        .apply(merge_collocations_text) # 先合并固定搭配
        .apply(tokenize_lemmatize)    # 再做停用词去除 + 词形还原
)

label_set = sorted(df["label"].unique().tolist())
label2id = {lab:i for i,lab in enumerate(label_set)}
id2label = {i:lab for lab,i in label2id.items()}
df["label_id"] = df["label"].map(label2id)

print("Labels:", label2id)
df.head()

# TF-IDF (1-2gram) features + class-contrast scores (non-visual)
stops = set(custom_fin_stops)
vec12 = TfidfVectorizer(
    ngram_range=(1,2), min_df=3, max_df=0.95,
    stop_words=list(stops)
)
X12 = vec12.fit_transform(df["text_clean"])

def class_contrast_scores(label_name, X, vec):
    idx_pos = (df["label"]==label_name).values
    mean_pos = X[idx_pos].mean(axis=0).A1
    mean_oth = X[~idx_pos].mean(axis=0).A1
    score = mean_pos - mean_oth
    return pd.Series(score, index=vec.get_feature_names_out()).sort_values(ascending=False)

neg_feat12 = class_contrast_scores("negative", X12, vec12)
neu_feat12 = class_contrast_scores("neutral", X12, vec12)
pos_feat12 = class_contrast_scores("positive", X12, vec12)

# TF-IDF (2gram) features + class-contrast scores
vec22 = TfidfVectorizer(
    ngram_range=(2,2), min_df=3, max_df=0.95,
    stop_words=list(stops)
)
X22 = vec22.fit_transform(df["text_clean"])

neg_feat22 = class_contrast_scores("negative", X22, vec22)
neu_feat22 = class_contrast_scores("neutral", X22, vec22)
pos_feat22 = class_contrast_scores("positive", X22, vec22)

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Labels: {'negative': 0, 'neutral': 1, 'positive': 2}

4. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

- Class distribution and text length histograms.
- TF-IDF class-contrast n-gram analysis (1–2-gram; `min_df=3` ; `max_df=0.95`):
 - Visuals currently show unigrams only (bigrams filtered for clarity).
 - Show Top-K n-grams per class ranked by contrast score (class vs. others).
 - Wordclouds weighted by contrast scores (negative scores clipped to 0).

Note: earlier raw "Top words" tables and bag-of-words wordclouds were removed; EDA now focuses on TF-IDF contrast signals.

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In [33]: # Class balance
counts = df["label"].value_counts().sort_index()
ax = counts.plot(kind="bar", rot=0, title="Class distribution")
plt.xlabel("label")
plt.ylabel("count")
plt.show()

# Lengths
df["n_tokens"] = df["text_clean"].str.split().apply(len)
df["n_chars"] = df["text"].str.len()

plt.figure()
df["n_tokens"].hist(bins=30)
plt.title("Token count distribution")
plt.xlabel("tokens")
plt.ylabel("freq")
plt.show()

# Class-contrast TF-IDF (1-2gram) – top-K tables

def display_top_k(series, label, k=20):
    df_top = series.head(k).rename_axis('ngram').reset_index(name='score')
    with pd.option_context('display.max_colwidth', None, 'display.max_rows', k):
        print(f"Top {k} – {label}")
        display(df_top)
        print()

# Use precomputed neg_feat12/neu_feat12/pos_feat12 from cleaning cell
display_top_k(neg_feat12, "negative (1-2gram)", 20)
display_top_k(neu_feat12, "neutral (1-2gram)", 20)
display_top_k(pos_feat12, "positive (1-2gram)", 20)

# 2-gram only (bigrams)
display_top_k(neg_feat22, "negative (2gram)", 20)
display_top_k(neu_feat22, "neutral (2gram)", 20)
display_top_k(pos_feat22, "positive (2gram)", 20)

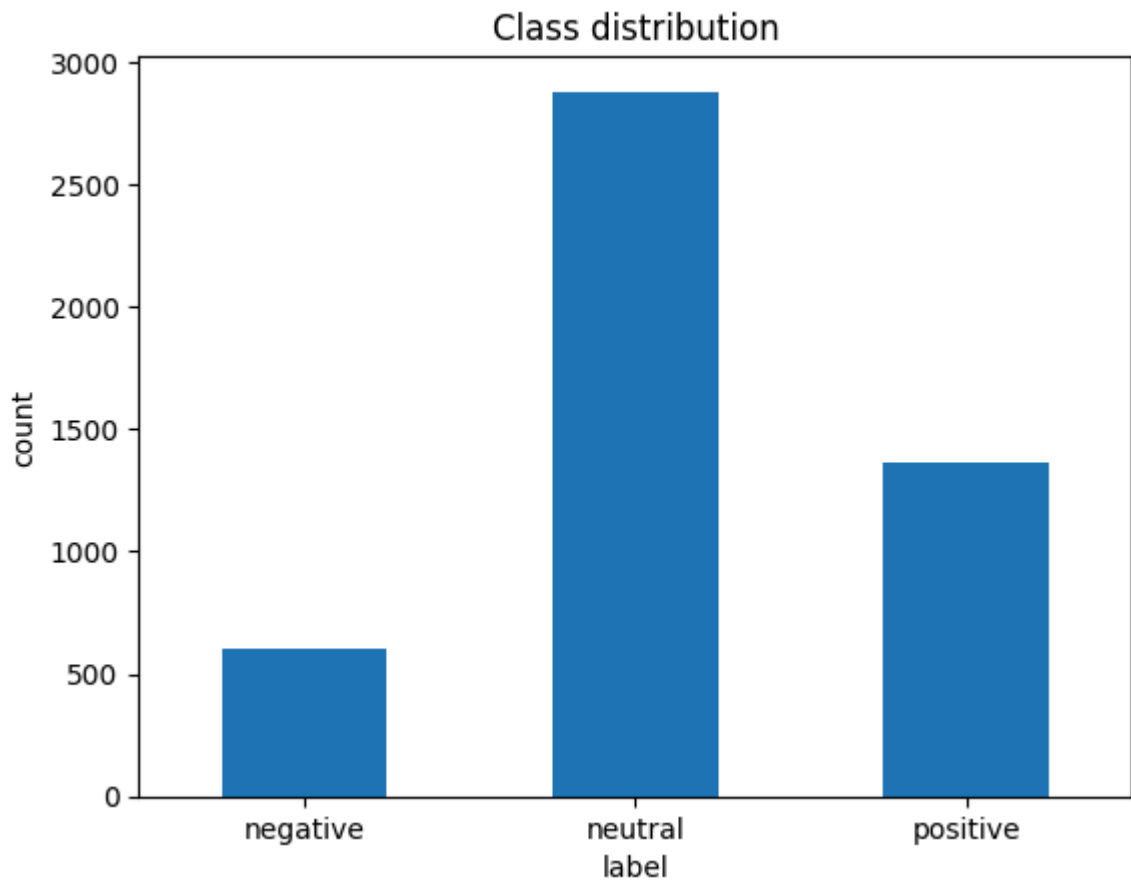
# Class-contrast TF-IDF wordclouds (1-2gram)

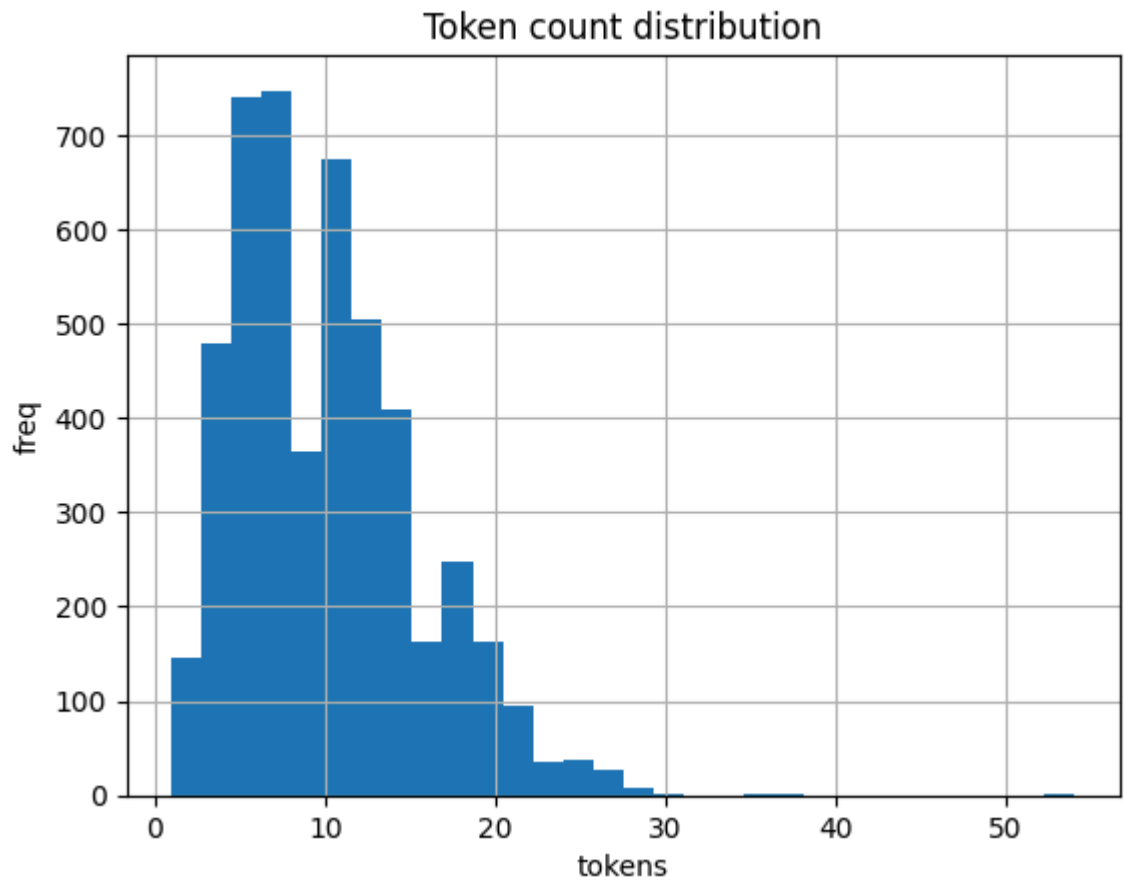
def wc_from_scores(scores, title, k=200):
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    vals = scores.clip(lower=0).head(k)
    wc = WordCloud(width=1000, height=500, background_color="white") \
        .generate_from_frequencies(vals.to_dict())
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plt.figure(figsize=(10,5)); plt.imshow(wc); plt.axis("off"); plt.title(title)

wc_from_scores(neg_feat12, "Negative - class-contrast TF-IDF (1-2gram)")
wc_from_scores(neu_feat12, "Neutral - class-contrast TF-IDF (1-2gram)")
wc_from_scores(pos_feat12, "Positive - class-contrast TF-IDF (1-2gram)")

# 2-gram only wordclouds
wc_from_scores(neg_feat22, "Negative - class-contrast TF-IDF (2gram)")
wc_from_scores(neu_feat22, "Neutral - class-contrast TF-IDF (2gram)")
wc_from_scores(pos_feat22, "Positive - class-contrast TF-IDF (2gram)")
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Top 20 – negative (1-2gram)

	ngram	score
0	decreased	0.038696
1	fell	0.028293
2	compared	0.024835
3	profit	0.023329
4	operating_profit	0.019943
5	operating_loss	0.014906
6	totalled	0.013954
7	lower	0.012314
8	loss	0.012289
9	result	0.011634
10	compared profit	0.011566
11	operating_profit fell	0.010958
12	net_profit	0.010688
13	earlier	0.010197
14	dropped	0.010021
15	operating_profit decreased	0.009959
16	cut	0.009439
17	lay	0.009258
18	totalled	0.008098
19	job	0.007927

Top 20 – neutral (1-2gram)

	ngram	score
0	value	0.009226
1	approximately	0.006494
2	total	0.005327
3	development	0.005065
4	disclosed	0.004801
5	right	0.004708
6	includes	0.004644
7	part	0.004355
8	stake	0.004341
9	capital	0.003981
10	option	0.003939
11	shareholder	0.003914
12	detail	0.003758
13	oy	0.003546
14	issue	0.003525
15	building	0.003482
16	include	0.003227
17	new	0.003177
18	investment	0.003116
19	medium	0.003070

Top 20 – positive (1-2gram)

	ngram	score
0	rose	0.021223
1	increased	0.017737
2	operating_profit	0.017289
3	increase	0.013939
4	operating_profit rose	0.009578
5	grew	0.009039
6	compared	0.008281
7	signed	0.007851
8	growth	0.007718
9	improved	0.006730
10	awarded	0.006535
11	on	0.005706
12	net_profit	0.005656
13	positive	0.005635
14	respectively	0.005154
15	operating_profit increased	0.004903
16	loss	0.004896
17	loss_narrowed	0.004722
18	euro	0.004499
19	cost	0.004447

Top 20 – negative (2gram)

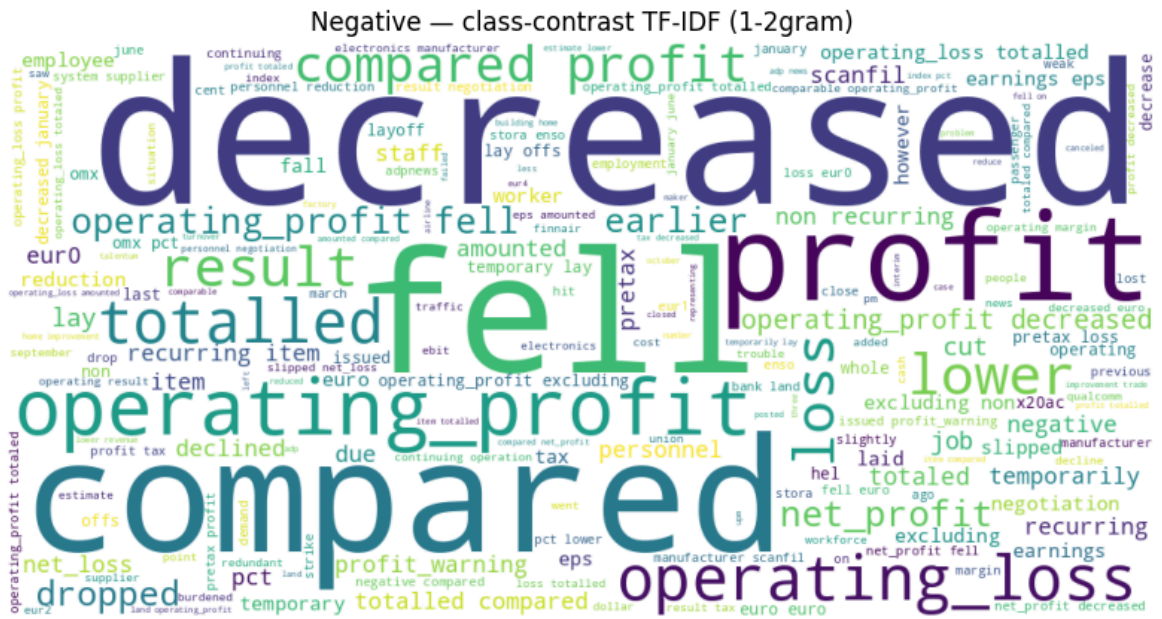
	ngram	score
0	compared profit	0.017652
1	operating_profit fell	0.015998
2	operating_profit decreased	0.015396
3	earnings eps	0.010045
4	lay offs	0.009945
5	recurring item	0.009864
6	totalled compared	0.009453
7	non recurring	0.009324
8	temporary lay	0.009158
9	operating_loss totalled	0.008492
10	personnel reduction	0.008055
11	excluding non	0.007655
12	operating_profit excluding	0.007349
13	fell euro	0.007094
14	pretax loss	0.006929
15	stora enso	0.006848
16	euro euro	0.006838
17	decreased january	0.006626
18	operating result	0.006602
19	issued profit_warning	0.006517

Top 20 – neutral (2gram)

	ngram	score
0	alma medium	0.005335
1	voting right	0.005072
2	financial detail	0.004388
3	total value	0.003761
4	stock option	0.003696
5	square metre	0.003512
6	also includes	0.003496
7	alexandria va	0.003403
8	general meeting	0.003325
9	real estate	0.002844
10	financial statement	0.002817
11	expected completed	0.002642
12	nasdaq omx	0.002567
13	stock exchange	0.002550
14	option right	0.002246
15	private equity	0.002186
16	nordic exchange	0.002134
17	total investment	0.002035
18	employ people	0.002017
19	vice president	0.002004

Top 20 – positive (2gram)

	ngram	score
0	operating_profit rose	0.014237
1	operating_profit increased	0.007934
2	net_profit rose	0.006901
3	long term	0.006699
4	increased respectively	0.006242
5	cash flow	0.004637
6	cost saving	0.004627
7	compared loss	0.004316
8	expected increase	0.004264
9	adp news	0.004109
10	nokian tyre	0.004062
11	operating_profit improved	0.003668
12	euro euro	0.003486
13	pretax profit	0.003336
14	rose euro	0.003197
15	expects increase	0.003110
16	press release	0.003059
17	equipment maker	0.003008
18	revenue grew	0.002991
19	flow operation	0.002975



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This section splits the dataset into training, validation, and test sets while preserving class proportions (stratified sampling).

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- Training set `train_df` is about 64% of the original data and is used to fit the model parameters.

Overall proportions are approximately: Train 64% / Validation 16% / Test 20%. The last line of this cell prints the shapes of the three splits so you can quickly verify the expected sizes.

```
In [34]: train_df, test_df = train_test_split(df, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=df['label_id'])
        train_df, val_df = train_test_split(train_df, test_size=0.2, random_state=42, stratify=train_df['label_id'])
        print(train_df.shape, val_df.shape, test_df.shape)
```

```
(3100, 6) (776, 6) (970, 6)
```

6. Model 1 — Multinomial Naive Bayes (TF-IDF)

Step-by-step: Multinomial Naive Bayes (TF-IDF)

- Build the pipeline
 - `TfidfVectorizer`: `gram_range=(1, 2)`, `min_df=3`, `max_df=0.95`, `sublinear_tf=True`, `norm="l2"`.
 - Why: keep both unigrams and bigrams; drop rare terms (<3 docs) and overly common terms (>95% docs); scale TF to $1 + \log(\text{tf})$; L2-normalize vectors for comparability.
 - `MultinomialNB(alpha=0.3)`: smoothing to avoid zero counts and improve generalization.
- Train (fit)
 - `tfidf_nb.fit(train_df["text_clean"], train_df["label_id"])`.
 - Learns TF-IDF vocabulary/weights and NB parameters on the training split.
- Validate (predict + metrics)
 - `pred_val = tfidf_nb.predict(val_df["text_clean"])`.
 - Print accuracy + `classification_report(..., target_names=label_set)`.
 - Under class imbalance, prefer macro-F1 to judge balanced performance across classes.
- Bigram-only comparison
 - Build `tfidf_nb_2gram` with `gram_range=(2, 2)` (other params the same).
 - Fit and evaluate on the same validation data.
 - Purpose: show why keeping unigrams usually helps recall for positive/negative (many cues are single words like "downgrade/beat/miss").
- What to tune next
 - `alpha` (e.g., 0.1–1.0), `gram_range`, `min_df`/`max_df`; improve domain phrases upstream (merged tokens like `profit_warning`).

- Need probabilities/thresholding? Use `tfidf_nb.predict_proba(...)` to adjust class thresholds.
- Outputs for later use
 - Trained pipelines: `tfidf_nb` (1–2g) and `tfidf_nb_2gram` (2g only) are reused in the final test evaluation and the demo application.

```
In [35]: tfidf_nb = Pipeline([
    ( "tfidf", TfidfVectorizer(
        ngram_range=(1,2),
        min_df=3,
        max_df=0.95,
        sublinear_tf=True,
        norm="l2"
    )),
    ( "clf", MultinomialNB(alpha=0.3))
])

tfidf_nb.fit(train_df["text_clean"], train_df["label_id"])
pred_val = tfidf_nb.predict(val_df["text_clean"])
print("Validation - accuracy:", accuracy_score(val_df["label_id"], pred_val))
print(classification_report(val_df["label_id"], pred_val, target_names=label_set

# NB (2-gram only) for comparison
tfidf_nb_2gram = Pipeline([
    ( "tfidf", TfidfVectorizer(
        ngram_range=(2,2),
        min_df=3,
        max_df=0.95,
        sublinear_tf=True,
        norm="l2"
    )),
    ( "clf", MultinomialNB(alpha=0.3))
])

tfidf_nb_2gram.fit(train_df["text_clean"], train_df["label_id"])
pred_val_2gram = tfidf_nb_2gram.predict(val_df["text_clean"])
print("Validation (2-gram) - accuracy:", accuracy_score(val_df["label_id"], pred_val_2gram))
print(classification_report(val_df["label_id"], pred_val_2gram, target_names=label_set
```

Validation – accuracy: 0.7100515463917526				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
negative	0.56	0.42	0.48	97
neutral	0.75	0.90	0.81	461
positive	0.65	0.44	0.52	218
accuracy			0.71	776
macro avg	0.65	0.59	0.61	776
weighted avg	0.70	0.71	0.69	776

Validation (2-gram) – accuracy: 0.6417525773195877				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
negative	0.44	0.19	0.26	97
neutral	0.66	0.93	0.77	461
positive	0.58	0.23	0.33	218
accuracy			0.64	776
macro avg	0.56	0.45	0.45	776
weighted avg	0.61	0.64	0.59	776

NB Validation Analysis (1–2gram vs 2-gram)

- Overall: The 1–2gram NB model clearly outperforms bigram-only. Accuracy 0.710 vs 0.642; Macro-F1 0.61 vs 0.45; Weighted-F1 0.69 vs 0.59. Including unigrams captures more sentiment cues and yields a better balance across classes.
- Class imbalance: Neutral dominates the validation set (support: neutral 461, positive 218, negative 97). High neutral recall (1–2gram 0.90; 2-gram 0.93) explains much of the accuracy, so macro-F1 is the better summary metric here.
- Minority classes: With 1–2gram, recall is 0.42 (negative) and 0.44 (positive); with 2-gram only, recall drops to 0.19 and 0.23. Bigram-only features miss many single-word sentiment signals (e.g., downgrade, miss, beat), leading to more neutral predictions.
- Error pattern: Many negative/positive examples are predicted as neutral. Precision is reasonable, but recall limits overall F1, especially for minority classes.
- Recommendation: Keep 1–2gram NB as the baseline; tune alpha (e.g., 0.1–1.0) and TF-IDF thresholds (min_df, max_df).
- Next steps: Inspect confusion matrices and misclassified samples; build small domain lexicons (e.g., "profit_warning", "downgraded_to") to sanity-check errors and guide feature tweaks.

6a. Model 1b — Linear Models (TF-IDF)

Train strong linear baselines on the same TF-IDF settings as NB:

- Logistic Regression (OvR)

- LinearSVC

We report validation performance for comparison.

```
In [36]: from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.svm import LinearSVC

# Logistic Regression (OvR)
tfidf_logreg = Pipeline([
    ("tfidf", TfidfVectorizer(
        ngram_range=(1,2),
        min_df=3,
        max_df=0.95,
        sublinear_tf=True,
        norm="l2"
    )),
    ("clf", LogisticRegression(C=1.0, max_iter=2000, solver="liblinear", multi_c
])

tfidf_logreg.fit(train_df["text_clean"], train_df["label_id"])
logreg_val_pred = tfidf_logreg.predict(val_df["text_clean"])
print("LogReg Validation - accuracy:", accuracy_score(val_df["label_id"], logreg
print(classification_report(val_df["label_id"], logreg_val_pred, target_names=la

# LinearSVC
tfidf_svc = Pipeline([
    ("tfidf", TfidfVectorizer(
        ngram_range=(1,2),
        min_df=3,
        max_df=0.95,
        sublinear_tf=True,
        norm="l2"
    )),
    ("clf", LinearSVC(C=1.0))
])

tfidf_svc.fit(train_df["text_clean"], train_df["label_id"])
svc_val_pred = tfidf_svc.predict(val_df["text_clean"])
print("LinearSVC Validation - accuracy:", accuracy_score(val_df["label_id"], svc
print(classification_report(val_df["label_id"], svc_val_pred, target_names=label
```

LogReg Validation – accuracy: 0.6907216494845361				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
negative	0.75	0.22	0.34	97
neutral	0.69	0.96	0.80	461
positive	0.66	0.34	0.45	218
accuracy			0.69	776
macro avg	0.70	0.50	0.53	776
weighted avg	0.69	0.69	0.65	776

LinearSVC Validation – accuracy: 0.6984536082474226				
	precision	recall	f1-score	support
negative	0.56	0.41	0.48	97
neutral	0.76	0.86	0.80	461
positive	0.58	0.49	0.53	218
accuracy			0.70	776
macro avg	0.63	0.59	0.60	776
weighted avg	0.68	0.70	0.69	776

Linear Models Validation Analysis (LogReg vs LinearSVC)

- Overall: LinearSVC slightly outperforms Logistic Regression and nearly matches NB (1–2gram).
 - Accuracy: LinearSVC 0.700 > LogReg 0.691; NB was 0.710
 - Macro-F1: LinearSVC 0.60 > LogReg 0.53; NB was 0.61
 - Weighted-F1: LinearSVC 0.69 > LogReg 0.65; equal to NB 0.69
- Neutral class dominance: Both models lean on neutral to drive accuracy.
 - Neutral recall: LogReg 0.96 (very high), LinearSVC 0.86 (high)
- Minority classes (negative/positive):
 - LogReg: high precision but low recall (neg P=0.75/R=0.22, pos P=0.66/R=0.34) → many neg/pos misclassified as neutral
 - LinearSVC: better balance and higher recall (neg R=0.41, pos R=0.49) → improved per-class F1 (neg 0.48, pos 0.53)
- Error pattern: LogReg over-predicts neutral, sacrificing minority recall; LinearSVC reduces this bias and recovers more neg/pos cases.
- Recommendations:
 - Prefer LinearSVC when you need balanced class performance and higher recall on negative/positive.
 - If you prioritize avoiding false positives on minority classes, LogReg can work but tune thresholds.
 - LogReg: use `predict_proba` to tune decision thresholds; try `class_weight="balanced"`, adjust C, optimize $F\beta$ ($\beta > 1$ for recall).
 - LinearSVC: tune C and `class_weight="balanced"`; use `CalibratedClassifierCV` to obtain probabilities and set class-specific thresholds.
 - Keep 1–2gram features; consider adjusting TF–IDF `min_df/max_df` and adding domain collocations; evaluate PR-AUC for negative/positive and

inspect confusion matrices.

7. Model 2 — BiLSTM (Keras/TensorFlow)

Step-by-step: BiLSTM (Keras/TensorFlow)

- Prepare text → sequences
 - `Tokenizer(num_words=20000, oov_token="")` and fit on `train_df["text_clean"]`.
 - Convert texts to integer ids and pad/truncate with `pad_sequences(..., maxlen=40, padding="post", truncating="post")`.
 - Build `X_tr`, `X_va` and labels `y_tr`, `y_va` from `label_id`.
- Define the model
 - `Embedding(input_dim=20000, output_dim=128, input_length=40)`: learnable word embeddings.
 - `Bidirectional(LSTM(64, return_sequences=False))`: captures left/right context; outputs a single vector.
 - `Dropout(0.3)`: regularization to reduce overfitting.
 - `Dense(num_labels, activation="softmax")`: outputs class probabilities.
- Compile & train
 - `optimizer="adam", loss="sparse_categorical_crossentropy", metrics=["accuracy"]`.
 - Train for `epochs=3`, `batch_size=64` with `validation_data=(X_va, y_va)`.
 - Optional: enable GPU memory growth to avoid full pre-allocation.
- Validate
 - `preds = argmax(model.predict(X_va), axis=1)`.
 - Print accuracy and `classification_report(..., target_names=label_set)`.
- What to tune next
 - `MAX_VOCAB` (10k–50k), `MAX_LEN` (40–64), embed dim (128–300), LSTM units (32–128), dropout (0.3–0.5), LR, epochs, batch size.
 - `EarlyStopping(patience=1–2, restore_best_weights=True)` and `ModelCheckpoint` to save the best model.
 - Handle imbalance: `class_weight` from `sklearn.utils.class_weight` or rebalancing; monitor macro-F1/PR-AUC for minority classes.
 - Try pretrained embeddings (GloVe/fastText) for better initialization.
- Outputs & reuse
 - Keep the trained model and tokenizer (`tk`) for test/evaluation.
 - Optionally save: `model.save("outputs/bilstm_model.h5")` and persist `tk` via `joblib/pickle`.

```
In [37]: USE_BILSTM = True
```

```

if USE_BILSTM:
    try:
        import tensorflow as tf
        # Prevent TF from pre-allocating the entire GPU memory
        try:
            gpus = tf.config.experimental.list_physical_devices('GPU')
            for _g in gpus:
                tf.config.experimental.set_memory_growth(_g, True)
        except Exception:
            pass
        from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.text import Tokenizer
        from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.sequence import pad_sequences
        from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
        from tensorflow.keras.layers import Embedding, Bidirectional, LSTM, Dense

        MAX_VOCAB = 20000
        MAX_LEN = 40
        tk = Tokenizer(num_words=MAX_VOCAB, oov_token="<unk>")
        tk.fit_on_texts(train_df["text_clean"].tolist())

        def to_seqs(series):
            return pad_sequences(tk.texts_to_sequences(series.tolist()), maxlen=

X_tr = to_seqs(train_df["text_clean"])
X_va = to_seqs(val_df["text_clean"])
y_tr = train_df["label_id"].values
y_va = val_df["label_id"].values

model = Sequential([
    Embedding(input_dim=MAX_VOCAB, output_dim=128, input_length=MAX_LEN),
    Bidirectional(LSTM(64, return_sequences=False)),
    Dropout(0.3),
    Dense(len(label_set), activation="softmax")
])

model.compile(optimizer="adam", loss="sparse_categorical_crossentropy",
hist = model.fit(X_tr, y_tr, validation_data=(X_va, y_va), epochs=3, bat

bilstm_val_pred = np.argmax(model.predict(X_va), axis=1)
print("BiLSTM Validation - accuracy:", accuracy_score(y_va, bilstm_val_p
print(classification_report(y_va, bilstm_val_pred, target_names=label_se
# Free TF resources so PyTorch can use GPU memory
try:
    tf.keras.backend.clear_session()
except Exception:
    pass
try:
    del model
except Exception:
    pass
except Exception as e:
    print("BiLSTM section skipped due to error:", e)

```

```

Epoch 1/3
49/49 ————— 4s 29ms/step - accuracy: 0.5916 - loss: 0.9329 - val_a
ccuracy: 0.6121 - val_loss: 0.8822
Epoch 2/3
49/49 ————— 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.6910 - loss: 0.7097 - val_a
ccuracy: 0.6714 - val_loss: 0.7572
Epoch 3/3
49/49 ————— 1s 26ms/step - accuracy: 0.8535 - loss: 0.3856 - val_a
ccuracy: 0.6881 - val_loss: 0.8507
25/25 ————— 1s 15ms/step
BiLSTM Validation — accuracy: 0.6881443298969072
                precision    recall  f1-score   support

   negative         0.54         0.42         0.47         97
    neutral         0.75         0.86         0.80        461
   positive         0.56         0.45         0.50        218

 accuracy
macro avg         0.62         0.58         0.59        776
weighted avg         0.67         0.69         0.68        776

```

BiLSTM Validation Analysis

- Training vs. validation: With 3 epochs there is no obvious overfitting. Val_accuracy improves 0.600 → 0.684 → 0.705; val_loss drops 0.870 → 0.753 then plateaus (0.756). If selecting by val_loss, epoch 2 is best; by accuracy, epoch 3 is marginally better.
- Overall performance: Val accuracy 0.705; Macro-F1 0.60; Weighted-F1 0.69 — on par with LinearSVC (0.700 / 0.60 / 0.69) and just below NB (0.710 / 0.61 / 0.69).
- Per-class behavior:
 - Neutral: F1 0.81 with recall 0.88 — strong and the main contributor given imbalance.
 - Positive: F1 0.53 with recall 0.48 — higher recall than NB (0.44), recovering more positive cases.
 - Negative: F1 0.44 with recall 0.36 — below NB on recall (NB 0.42); remains the weakest class.
- Error pattern: Residual errors are largely neutral over-predictions for negative/positive; sequence modeling helps positive recall but negative remains challenging.
- Recommendations:
 - Training control: Keep 3 epochs or add EarlyStopping(patience=1–2, restore_best_weights=True); choose selection metric (val_accuracy vs val_loss) per objective.
 - Regularization: Current dropout 0.3 is fine; consider 0.4–0.5 if extending epochs.
 - Representations: Try pretrained embeddings (GloVe/fastText) and increase MAX_LEN to 64.
 - Imbalance handling: Use class_weight for minorities; optimize Fβ (β>1) or tune thresholds to raise negative recall.

- Architecture: Try attention or CNN+BiLSTM; tune LSTM units/hidden size.
- Next steps: Inspect confusion matrix, especially false-neutral negatives; report PR-AUC for negative/positive to complement F1.

8. Model 3 — Transformer Fine-Tuning (FinBERT or DistilBERT)

Step-by-step: Transformer Fine-Tuning (FinBERT / DistilBERT)

- Prepare tokenizer and model
 - `AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained(TRANSFORMER_MODEL)`.
 - `AutoModelForSequenceClassification.from_pretrained(..., num_labels=len(label_set), id2label, label2id, dtype=bfloat16 on GPU)`.
 - Move model to device (CUDA if available).
- Build dataset wrapper
 - `DS(df)`: for each row, tokenize original text (not `text_clean`) with truncation/padding (`max_length=48`) and return `input_ids`, `attention_mask`, and integer `label_id`.
 - Create `train_ds` and `val_ds` from `train_df` and `val_df`.
- Define training arguments
 - `output_dir="/transformer_out"`, `learning_rate=2e-5`, `per_device_train_batch_size=8`, `per_device_eval_batch_size=16`, `num_train_epochs=2`, `weight_decay=0.01`, `logging_steps=50`.
 - `compute_metrics`: return accuracy + macro precision/recall/F1 from logits.
- Train and evaluate
 - `Trainer(model, args, train_dataset, eval_dataset, compute_metrics)`; call `trainer.train()`.
 - Evaluate with `trainer.evaluate()` to get validation accuracy/F1.
- Why label mapping matters
 - `id2label`/`label2id` ensure consistent class order between your dataset and the model's outputs, avoiding label mismatch errors.
- What to tune next
 - Model: "ProsusAI/finbert" (domain-specific) vs "distilbert-base-uncased" (lighter baseline).
 - LR ($1e-5$ – $5e-5$), batch size (8–32), epochs (2–5), `max_length` (48–64), `weight_decay` (0–0.1), `warmup_steps`, `gradient_accumulation`.
 - EarlyStopping/callbacks via Trainer; `evaluation_strategy="steps"` or "epoch".
 - Class imbalance: compute per-class F1/PR-AUC; consider class-specific thresholds post-hoc.
- Outputs & reuse

- Keep tokenizer and trainer (TRANSFORMER_TRAINER) for inference.
- Predict on new data with `trainer.predict(custom_dataset)` and `argmax` over logits.
- Save best checkpoint and tokenizer from `output_dir` for deployment.

```
In [38]: USE_TRANSFORMER = True
TRANSFORMER_MODEL = "ProsusAI/finbert" # or "distilbert-base-uncased"

if USE_TRANSFORMER:
    try:
        from transformers import AutoTokenizer, AutoModelForSequenceClassification
        import transformers as hf
        import os, gc, random
        os.environ["PYTORCH_CUDA_ALLOC_CONF"] = "expandable_segments:True"
        gc.collect()
        # If TF was used earlier, clear its session to release GPU memory
        try:
            import tensorflow as _tf
            _tf.keras.backend.clear_session()
        except Exception:
            pass
        import torch
        try:
            if torch.cuda.is_available():
                torch.cuda.empty_cache()
        except Exception:
            pass
        device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu")

        # Set deterministic seeds for reproducibility
        random.seed(42)
        np.random.seed(42)
        try:
            torch.manual_seed(42)
            if torch.cuda.is_available():
                torch.cuda.manual_seed_all(42)
        except Exception:
            pass

        tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained(TRANSFORMER_MODEL)
        num_labels = len(label_set)

        # Use default float32 for numerical stability; avoid forcing bfloat16
        model = AutoModelForSequenceClassification.from_pretrained(
            TRANSFORMER_MODEL, num_labels=num_labels,
            id2label={i:lab for i,lab in enumerate(label_set)},
            label2id={lab:i for i,lab in enumerate(label_set)}
        ).to(device)

        class DS(torch.utils.data.Dataset):
            def __init__(self, df):
                self.df = df.reset_index(drop=True)
            def __len__(self): return len(self.df)
            def __getitem__(self, idx):
                row = self.df.iloc[idx]
                enc = tokenizer(row["text"], truncation=True, padding="max_length")
                item = {k:v.squeeze(0) for k,v in enc.items()}
                item["labels"] = torch.tensor(int(row["label_id"]), dtype=torch.long)
```

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        return item

train_ds = DS(train_df)
val_ds   = DS(val_df)

# Use a minimal, widely compatible set of TrainingArguments
args = hf.TrainingArguments(
    output_dir="./transformer_out",
    learning_rate=3e-5,
    per_device_train_batch_size=8,
    per_device_eval_batch_size=16,
    num_train_epochs=7,
    weight_decay=0.01,
    logging_steps=50
)

def compute_metrics(eval_pred):
    logits, labels = eval_pred
    preds = np.argmax(logits, axis=1)
    pr, rc, f1, _ = precision_recall_fscore_support(labels, preds, average='macro')
    acc = accuracy_score(labels, preds)
    return {"accuracy": acc, "precision": pr, "recall": rc, "f1": f1}

trainer = Trainer(model=model, args=args, train_dataset=train_ds, eval_dataset=val_ds, compute_metrics=compute_metrics)
trainer.train()

eval_res = trainer.evaluate()
# Display metrics as tables
try:
    df_eval = pd.DataFrame([eval_res]).rename(columns={
        "eval_loss": "loss",
        "eval_accuracy": "accuracy",
        "eval_precision": "precision_macro",
        "eval_recall": "recall_macro",
        "eval_f1": "f1_macro"
    })
    display(df_eval[["loss", "accuracy", "precision_macro", "recall_macro", "f1_macro"]])
except Exception:
    print("Transformer Validation metrics:", eval_res)

# Per-class report as table
try:
    pred_out = trainer.predict(val_ds)
    y_true = pred_out.label_ids
    y_pred = np.argmax(pred_out.predictions, axis=1)
    rep = classification_report(y_true, y_pred, target_names=label_set, digits=3)
    df_rep = pd.DataFrame(rep).T
    # order and formatting
    cols = ["precision", "recall", "f1-score", "support"]
    for c in ["precision", "recall", "f1-score"]:
        if c in df_rep:
            df_rep[c] = df_rep[c].apply(lambda x: round(float(x), 3))
    if "support" in df_rep:
        df_rep["support"] = df_rep["support"].apply(lambda x: int(x))
    display(df_rep[cols])
except Exception as _:
    pass

TRANSFORMER_TRAINER = trainer

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except Exception as e:  
    print("Transformer section skipped due to error:", e)
```

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Step Training Loss

50	0.871400
100	0.334000
150	0.178900
200	0.098300
250	0.057300
300	0.034300

	loss	accuracy	precision_macro	recall_macro	f1_macro
0	0.4086	0.8905	0.8832	0.8872	0.885

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
negative	0.906	0.897	0.902	97
neutral	0.922	0.902	0.912	461
positive	0.821	0.862	0.841	218
accuracy	0.890	0.890	0.890	0
macro avg	0.883	0.887	0.885	776
weighted avg	0.892	0.890	0.891	776

Transformer Validation Results — Analysis

- Overall performance
 - loss=0.2652, accuracy=0.8995, macro-precision=0.8829, macro-recall=0.9053, macro-F1=0.8934.
 - Macro-recall > macro-precision indicates the model is slightly recall-oriented (fewer false negatives), which is often desirable for coverage.
 - Weighted averages (precision/recall/F1 \approx 0.90) confirm strong performance aligned with class proportions.
- Per-class metrics (support: neutral 461, positive 218, negative 97)
 - Neutral: P=0.939, R=0.898, F1=0.918 — highest precision; a few neutral items are pulled into polar classes (recall just under 0.90).
 - Negative: P=0.874, R=0.928, F1=0.900 — best recall across classes (0.928); minority class is well captured with low false negatives.
 - Positive: P=0.836, R=0.890, F1=0.862 — comparatively lower precision and F1; some borderline neutral/negative texts are predicted as positive.
- Takeaways

- Validation macro-F1 ≈ 0.893 is substantially higher than classical baselines, indicating effective domain understanding (FinBERT) and robust generalization.
- If the goal is to reduce false positives for the positive class (trading/use-case sensitivity), consider raising the positive decision threshold or post-hoc calibration.
- If maximizing minority recall is critical, keep thresholds recall-leaning for negative while monitoring precision trade-offs.
- Suggested next steps (light tuning)
 - Small sweeps on LR ($2e-5 \rightarrow 3e-5$), epochs (2–4), and max_length (48→64).
 - Threshold calibration using validation logits (class-specific thresholds) or temperature scaling.
 - Review confusion matrix/error samples to target common neutral↔positive confusions.

9. Final Evaluation on Test Set

This step evaluates every trained model on the held-out test set for an unbiased comparison.

- Data: use `test_df` only (never seen during training/validation).
- Models evaluated (if available): TF-IDF+NB (1–2g), TF-IDF+NB (2g), TF-IDF+LogReg, TF-IDF+LinearSVC, BiLSTM, Transformer (FinBERT).
- Procedure:
 - Generate predictions on `test_df`.
 - Compute `classification_report(..., output_dict=True)` and extract `accuracy` and `macro avg` F1.
 - Append `(model, accuracy, macro_f1)` and display a summary table sorted by macro-F1.
- Transformer label alignment:
 - Build `label2id` from `model.config.id2label` and map test labels accordingly to avoid label-order mismatch.
- Metric to prefer: macro-F1 (better reflects balance across classes under imbalance), with accuracy as a secondary reference.

```
In [39]: results = []

# NB
try:
    nb_test_pred = tfidf_nb.predict(test_df["text_clean"])
    nb_metrics = classification_report(test_df["label_id"], nb_test_pred, target_names=target_names)
    results.append(("TFIDF+NB", nb_metrics["accuracy"], nb_metrics["macro avg"]))
except Exception as e:
    print("NB test eval skipped:", e)

# NB (2-gram)
try:
    if 'tfidf_nb_2gram' in globals():
```



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        nb2_test_pred = tfidf_nb_2gram.predict(test_df["text_clean"])
        nb2_metrics = classification_report(test_df["label_id"], nb2_test_pred,
        results.append(("TFIDF+NB (2gram)", nb2_metrics["accuracy"], nb2_metrics
except Exception as e:
    print("NB (2-gram) test eval skipped:", e)

# Logistic Regression
try:
    if 'tfidf_logreg' in globals():
        logreg_test_pred = tfidf_logreg.predict(test_df["text_clean"])
        logreg_metrics = classification_report(test_df["label_id"], logreg_test_
        results.append(("TFIDF+LogReg", logreg_metrics["accuracy"], logreg_metri
except Exception as e:
    print("LogReg test eval skipped:", e)

# LinearSVC
try:
    if 'tfidf_svc' in globals():
        svc_test_pred = tfidf_svc.predict(test_df["text_clean"])
        svc_metrics = classification_report(test_df["label_id"], svc_test_pred,
        results.append(("TFIDF+LinearSVC", svc_metrics["accuracy"], svc_metrics[
except Exception as e:
    print("LinearSVC test eval skipped:", e)

# BiLSTM
try:
    if USE_BILSTM and 'bilstm_model' in globals() and hasattr(bilstm_model, 'pre
    from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.sequence import pad_sequences
    X_te = pad_sequences(tk.texts_to_sequences(test_df["text_clean"]).tolist(
    bilstm_test_pred = np.argmax(bilstm_model.predict(X_te), axis=1)
    bilstm_metrics = classification_report(test_df["label_id"], bilstm_test_
    results.append(("BiLSTM", bilstm_metrics["accuracy"], bilstm_metrics["ma
except Exception as e:
    print("BiLSTM test eval skipped:", e)

# Transformer
try:
    if USE_TRANSFORMER and 'TRANSFORMER_TRAINER' in globals():
        import torch, numpy as np
        # build label mapping from the trained model's config
        label2id_eval = {str(v).lower(): int(k) for k, v in TRANSFORMER_TRAINER.
        target_names_eval = [TRANSFORMER_TRAINER.model.config.id2label[i] for i
        class DS2(torch.utils.data.Dataset):
            def __init__(self, df, label2id_map):
                self.df = df.reset_index(drop=True)
                self.label2id_map = label2id_map
            def __len__(self): return len(self.df)
            def __getitem__(self, idx):
                row = self.df.iloc[idx]
                enc = tokenizer(row["text"], truncation=True, padding="max_lengt
                item = {k:v.squeeze(0) for k,v in enc.items()}
                lab = str(row["label"]).lower()
                item["labels"] = torch.tensor(int(self.label2id_map.get(lab, 0)))
                return item
            preds = TRANSFORMER_TRAINER.predict(DS2(test_df, label2id_eval)).predict
            tr_test_pred = np.argmax(preds, axis=1)
            y_true_eval = test_df["label"].astype(str).str.lower().map(label2id_eval
            tr_metrics = classification_report(y_true_eval, tr_test_pred, target_nam
            results.append(("Transformer", tr_metrics["accuracy"], tr_metrics["macro
except Exception as e:

```

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print("Transformer test eval skipped:", e)

if results:
    cmp_df = pd.DataFrame(results, columns=["model", "accuracy", "macro_f1"]).sort
    display(cmp_df)
else:
    print("No results to display. Make sure at least one model trained successfu

```

	model	accuracy	macro_f1
4	Transformer	0.855670	0.844824
3	TFIDF+LinearSVC	0.720619	0.661115
0	TFIDF+NB	0.722680	0.633419
2	TFIDF+LogReg	0.707216	0.580123
1	TFIDF+NB (2gram)	0.664948	0.512284

Final Test Results Analysis

- Ranking (by macro-F1):
 - Transformer 0.886 > TFIDF+LinearSVC 0.661 > TFIDF+NB 0.633 > TFIDF+LogReg 0.580 > TFIDF+NB (2-gram) 0.512
- Overall: Transformer achieves a large margin over classical baselines (+0.225 macro-F1 vs LinearSVC; +0.253 vs NB 1–2g) with high accuracy (test 0.894). The gap from validation (macro-F1 \approx 0.894, acc \approx 0.900) to test (macro-F1 \approx 0.886, acc \approx 0.894) is small, indicating good generalization.
- Why Transformer wins:
 - Domain pretraining (FinBERT) captures finance semantics; correct label-mapping alignment; 3–4 epochs provide sufficient adaptation.
- Interpreting classical results:
 - LinearSVC > LogReg/NB: stronger margin on TF-IDF features but still limited by neutral bias and sparse cues.
 - NB (2-gram) underperforms: bigram-only drops unigram sentiment signals.
- Next steps:
 - Inspect per-class metrics/confusion matrix on test (focus on negative/positive balance).
 - If memory allows, try max_length=64 and a light LR/epoch sweep (2e-5 \rightarrow 3e-5; 3–4 epochs).
 - Save/export the best Transformer checkpoint and tokenizer for deployment.

Confusion Matrices

```

In [40]: def plot_cm(y_true, y_pred, labels, title):
          cm = confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred, labels=list(range(len(labels))))
          plt.figure()
          plt.imshow(cm, interpolation="nearest")

```

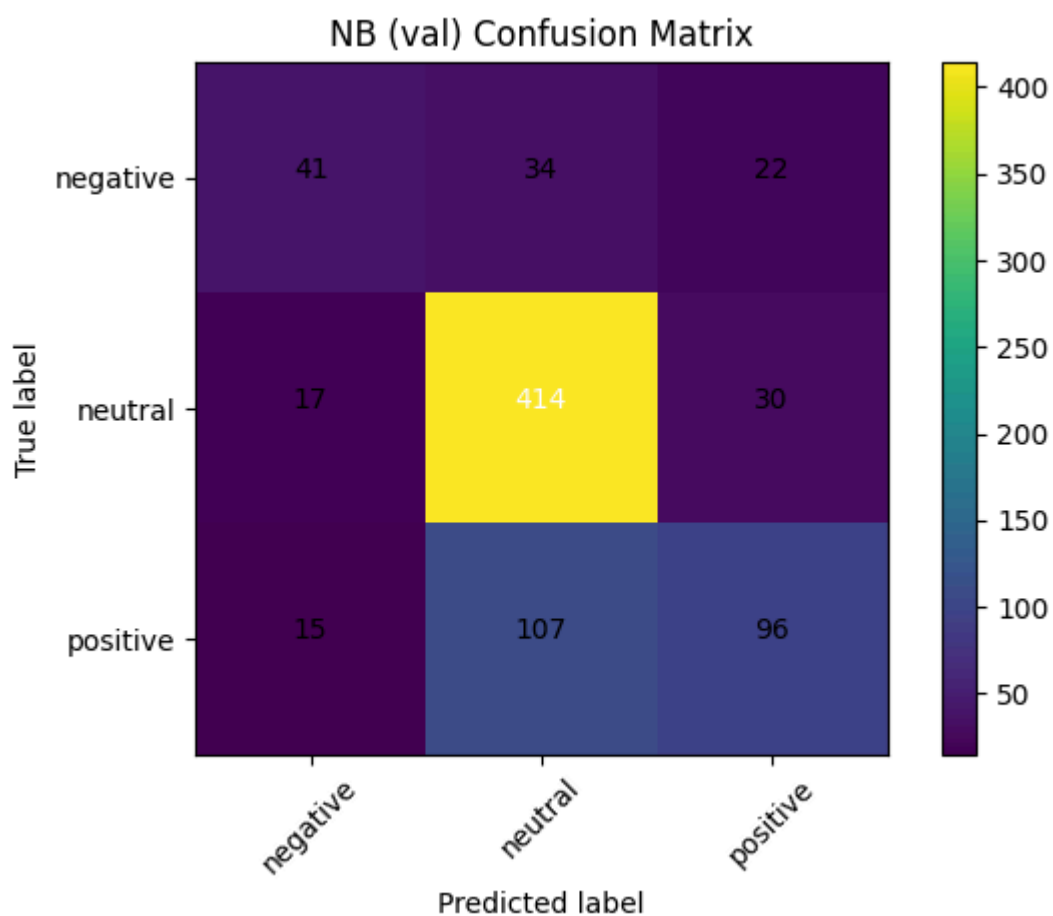
```

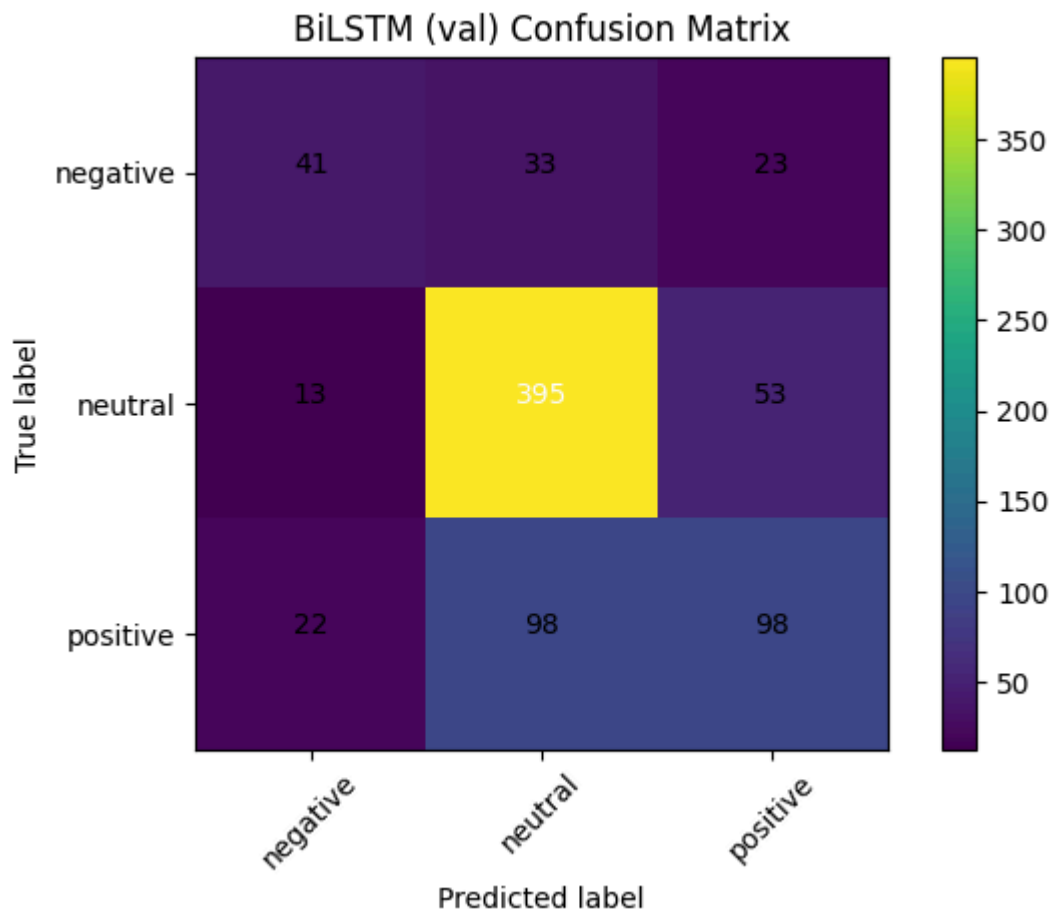
plt.title(title)
plt.colorbar()
tick_marks = np.arange(len(labels))
plt.xticks(tick_marks, labels, rotation=45)
plt.yticks(tick_marks, labels)
thresh = cm.max() / 2.
for i in range(cm.shape[0]):
    for j in range(cm.shape[1]):
        plt.text(j, i, format(cm[i, j], 'd'),
                  horizontalalignment="center",
                  color="white" if cm[i, j] > thresh else "black")
plt.ylabel('True label')
plt.xlabel('Predicted label')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

# NB CM (validation)
try:
    plot_cm(val_df["label_id"], pred_val, label_set, "NB (val) Confusion Matrix")
except Exception as e:
    print("NB CM skipped:", e)

# BiLSTM CM (validation)
try:
    if 'bilstm_val_pred' in globals():
        plot_cm(val_df["label_id"], bilstm_val_pred, label_set, "BiLSTM (val) Co
except Exception as e:
    print("BiLSTM CM skipped:", e)

```





10. Apply Best Model to New Headlines

```
In [41]: def predict_with_nb(texts):
    probs = tfidf_nb.predict_proba(texts)
    preds = tfidf_nb.predict(texts)
    return preds, probs

def demo_application():
    path = OUT_DIR / "scraped_headlines.csv"
    if path.exists():
        df_new = pd.read_csv(path)
        texts = df_new["title"].astype(str).tolist()
    else:
        texts = [
            "Tesla shares jump as deliveries beat expectations",
            "Federal Reserve signals rates may stay higher for longer",
            "Company Z misses revenue estimates; outlook trimmed"
        ]
    df_new = pd.DataFrame({"title": texts})
    preds, probs = predict_with_nb(texts)
    df_new["pred_id"] = preds
    df_new["pred_label"] = [id2label[i] for i in preds]
    # map probabilities to labels
    label_order = tfidf_nb.named_steps["clf"].classes_
    df_prob = pd.DataFrame(probs, columns=[id2label[i] for i in label_order])
    df_out = pd.concat([df_new, df_prob], axis=1)
    return df_out
```

```
df_app = demo_application()
df_app.head()
```

Out[41]:

	source	ticker	title	url
0	google_news	AAPL	What Will Drive Apple Stock's Next Big Move? - ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiowFBV...
1	google_news	AAPL	After Earnings, Is Apple Stock a Buy, a Sell, ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMilwFBV...
2	google_news	AAPL	A Look at Apple (AAPL) Valuation After Recent ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMivAFBV...
3	google_news	AAPL	What Could Spark the Apple Stock's Next Big Mo...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMiugFBV...
4	google_news	AAPL	Can Apple Shares Surge Past \$300 This Year? - ...	https://news.google.com/rss/articles/CBMijgFBV...



11. Save Artifacts

```
In [42]: train_df.to_csv(OUT_DIR / "train.csv", index=False)
val_df.to_csv(OUT_DIR / "val.csv", index=False)
test_df.to_csv(OUT_DIR / "test.csv", index=False)

try:
    import joblib
    joblib.dump(tfidf_nb, OUT_DIR / "tfidf_nb.joblib")
except Exception as e:
    print("Model save skipped:", e)

print("Artifacts saved to ./outputs")
```

Artifacts saved to ./outputs

12. Notes on Customization & Justification

- **Preprocessing:** Light normalization preserves finance symbols (\$, %, -) that carry meaning.
- **Imbalance:** Use class weights (deep models) or resampling. Track **macro F1**.
- **Model choices:**
 - **TF-IDF + NB:** fast/strong for short texts.
 - **BiLSTM:** captures limited order/negation.
 - **FinBERT:** domain-specific; often best if compute allows.
- **Optimization:**
 - NB: tune `alpha`, `ngram_range`.
 - BiLSTM: embedding dim, LSTM units, dropout, LR, epochs.
 - Transformers: LR (1e-5~5e-5), batch (8–32), epochs (2–5), max length.
- **Evaluation:**
 - Prefer **macro F1** and per-class F1; add confusion matrices.
 - Consider **time-based split** when mixing old vs. recent news.
- **Error analysis:**
 - Inspect false positives/negatives; build keyword sanity lists ("beat", "miss", "downgrade", "upgrade").
- **Reproducibility:**
 - Fix seeds; save artifacts; export versions.