Can Women Break the Glass Ceiling?: An Analysis of #MeToo Hashtagged Posts on Twitter

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If you've been sexually harassed or assaulted write 'me too' as a reply to this tweet.

Me too.

Suggested by a friend: "If all the women who have been sexually harassed or assaulted wrote 'Me too.' as a status, we might give people a sense of the magnitude of the problem."

Figure: Alyssa Milano's Tweet



Figure: #MeToo

"I was 16. My middle aged male boss harassed me. I never talk about it. He wasn't the last"

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- More than 4.5 million posts within 24 hours.

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Figure: Sexual Harassment in Different Sectors

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Apps for security of women such as:Hollaback,Safetipin, Protibadi, Circle of 6

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Data Collection

City	#Tweets	Male	Female	Female(%)
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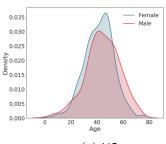
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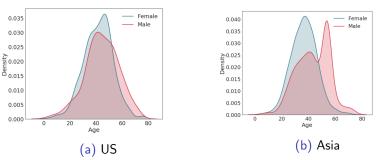


Figure: Age distribution of female and male users

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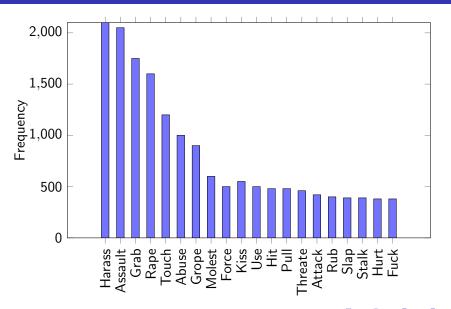
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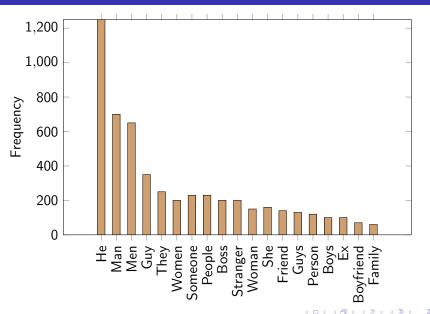
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Harassment Categories



Frequency of Harasser Roles



Insecure Position of Women



Figure: vulnerable position of women in the society

Topic Distribution

Relevance of a word with respect to a topic, r(w, k), is calculated using the following equation :

Equation

$$r(w, k) = \lambda * \log(\sigma_{kw}) + (1 - \lambda) * \log\left(\frac{\sigma_{kw}}{P_w}\right)$$

Here,

 σ_{kw} = The probability of word w for topic k

 $P_w =$ The marginal probability of term w in the whole dataset

 $\lambda = \mathsf{Tuning} \; \mathsf{parameter}$

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(c) Advertisement

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Dataset(2)



(a) Nature and Location

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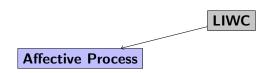
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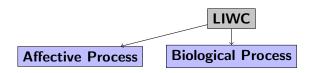
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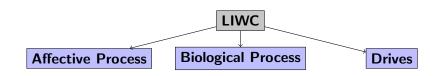
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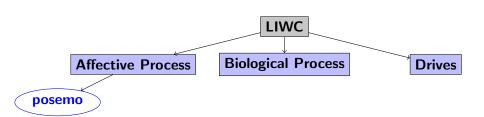
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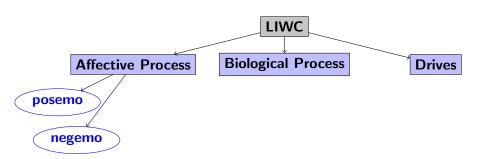


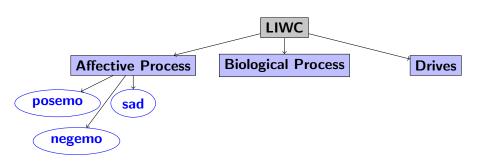
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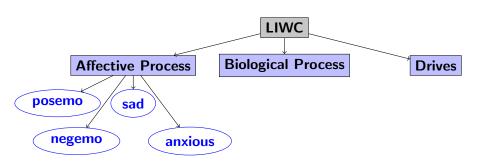


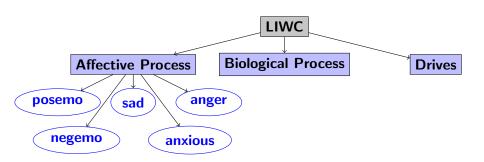


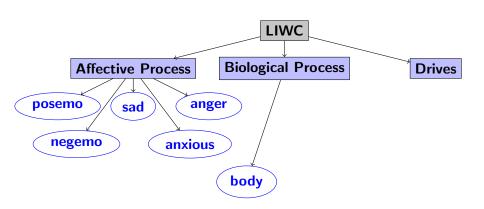


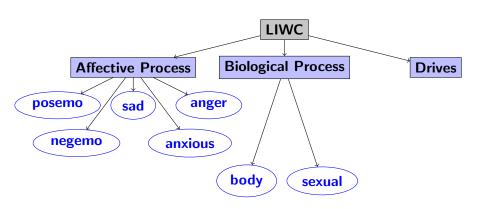


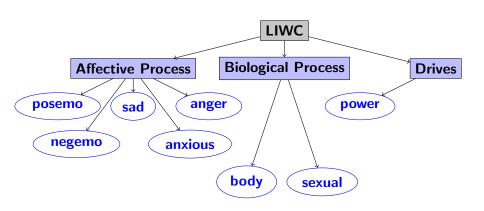


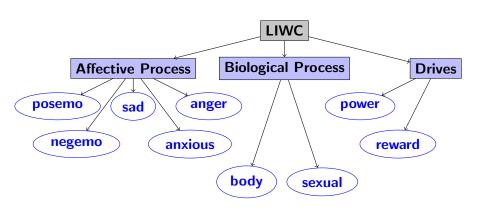


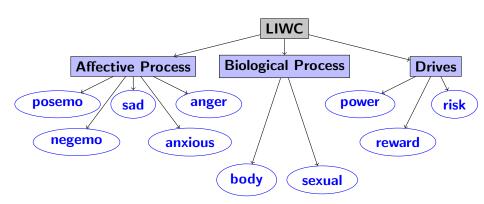




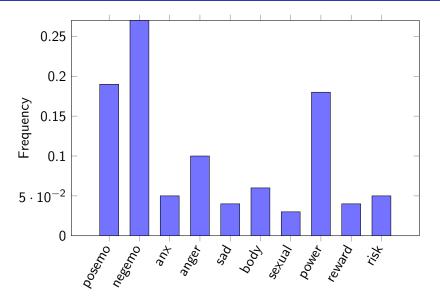








LIWC Term Distribution in Asia



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- Misrepresentation on social media

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Figure: #MeToo Movement

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