Trends Project Spec

Develop a geographic visualization of Twitter data across the USA.

The map displayed that will be displayed depicts how the people in different states feel about California. This image is generated by:

- Collecting public Twitter posts (Tweets) that have been tagged with geographic locations and filtering for those that contain the "cali" query term,
- 2 Assigning a sentiment (positive or negative) to each Tweet, based on all of the words it contains
- 3 Aggregating Tweets by the state with the closest geographic center
- 4 Coloring each state according to the aggregate sentiment of its Tweets. Yellow means positive sentiment; blue means negative.

This is a course project that uses only a small dataset of tweets. There are large datasets that the program can also visualize, but for the sake of demonstration, only a small text file of data is used.

To run the program:

python3 trends.py -f -m cali