

## Topic Modeling and Text Classification

# Scoping the challenge 1



- The first step to building an **engaged** audience is using the **right keywords** to describe a video
- However, the choice of keywords used in the title is often based on trial and error, what is popular and trending rather than on what is most **relevant**

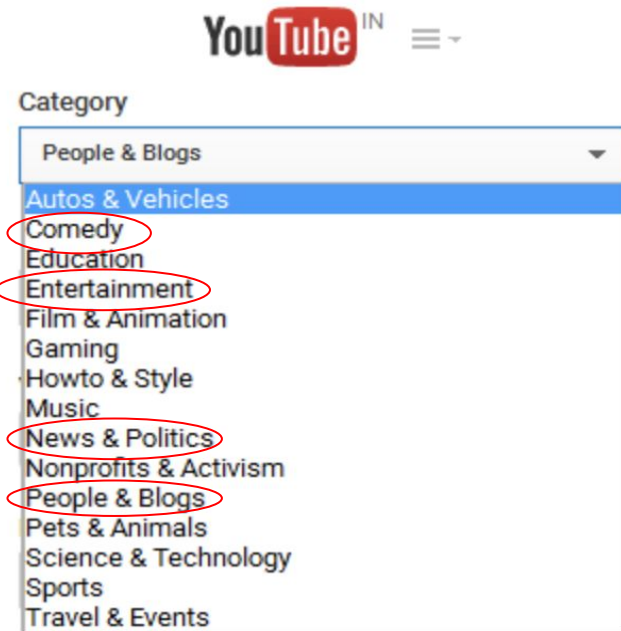


For content creators, *engagement* rather than *views* drives monetisation

# Scoping the challenge 2



- Each video can only be uploaded into one category
- With over 30 categories to choose from, a wrong classification of title with category can lead to videos not appearing during search



Which of these categories would Trump's latest gaffe fall into?

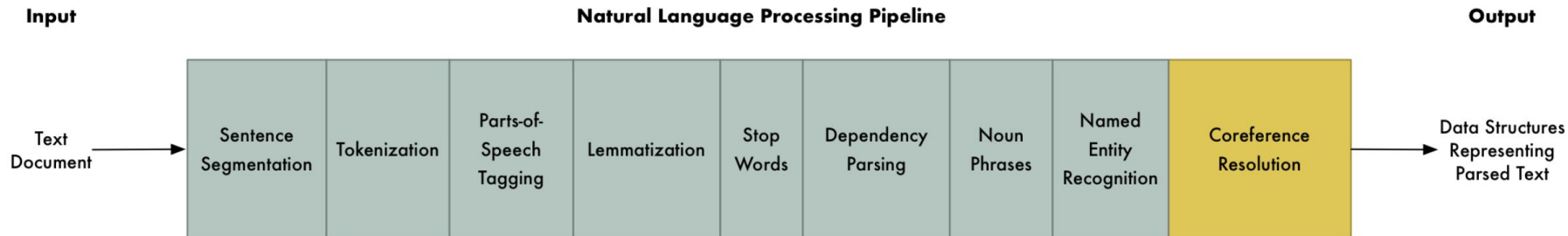
# Problem-solving



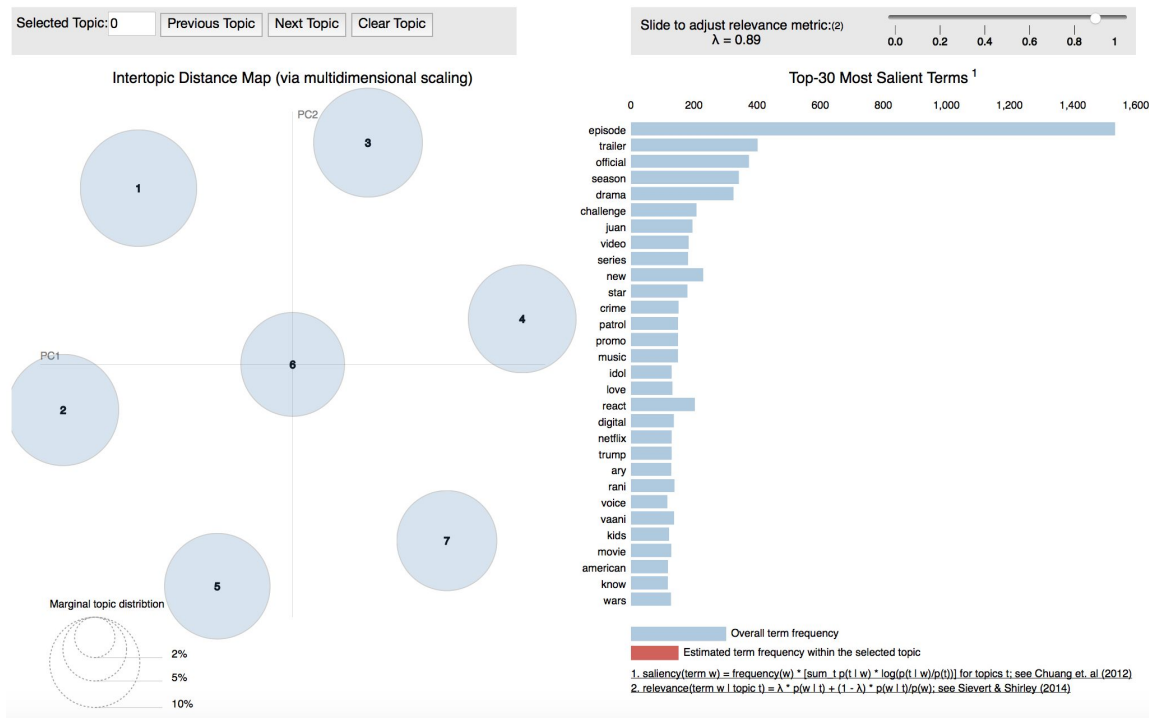
# Optimising keyword search



- Since we are interested in optimising the use of keywords for video search, we decided to explore 120,000 daily trending videos in USA, Canada and GB between 2017 and 2018
- To understand the role of text in optimising, we used Natural Language Processing to process, extract and engineer the features in our text data



- Using a technique called Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA), we create lists of words that occur in statistically meaningful ways
- For each category, we can see the most salient words and the cluster of words that occur together





# 'Autos & Vehicles':

Most correlated unigrams:

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. chevy  
. drift  
. mercedes  
. bmw  
. lamborghini

Most correlated bigrams:

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. rb engine  
. engine conversion  
. snowtrax television  
. cheap lamborghini  
. know speed

# 'Comedy':

Most correlated unigrams:

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. daily  
. award  
. closer  
. yiay  
. comment

Most correlated bigrams:

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. daily trevor  
. trevor noah  
. hannah stock  
. closer look  
. comment award

# 'Howto & Style':

Most correlated unigrams:

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. refinery  
. tutorial  
. beauty  
. hack  
. makeup

Most correlated bigrams:

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. wing hot  
. life hack  
. hot ones  
. makeup tutorial  
. food wish

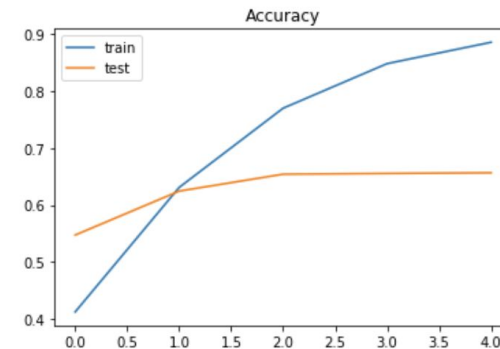
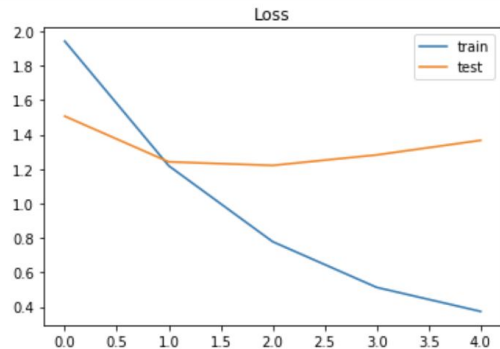
Using LDA we were able to find the most closely related words for the above categories



# Predicting the category

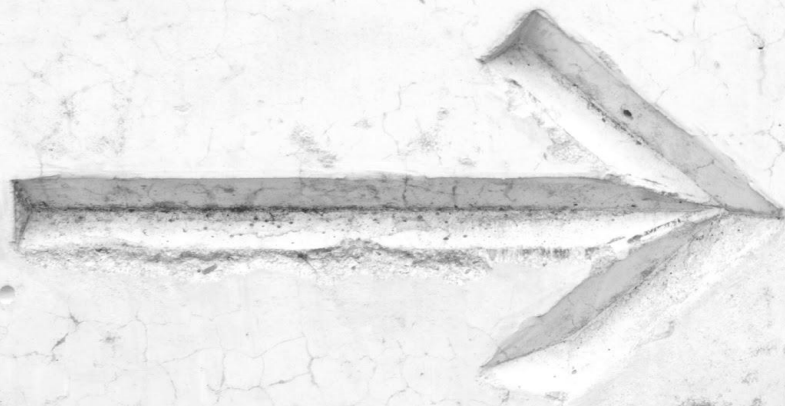


- Using a recurrent neural network called LSTM, we tried to classify which category a video would belong to, based on its title
- With a large number of categories (16) our data was fairly imbalanced (more samples in a few categories) which often leads to over-fitting (when the framework captures too much noise and is unable to generalise on all of the data)



- However, LSTM is a very good indicator at predicting the more popular categories such as **Music** and **Sports**, which are also amongst the most searched categories on Youtube
- Categories such as **Education** and **Nonprofits & Activism** had a small presence in our data which explains why the framework produced such low precision and recall scores for them

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
Autos & Vehicles	0.63	0.45	0.53	80
Comedy	0.55	0.62	0.58	663
Education	0.55	0.33	0.41	214
Entertainment	0.73	0.75	0.74	2637
Film & Animation	0.65	0.67	0.66	391
Gaming	0.75	0.57	0.65	278
Howto & Style	0.75	0.72	0.73	545
Music	0.82	0.82	0.82	812
News & Politics	0.65	0.72	0.69	825
Nonprofits & Activism	1.00	0.21	0.35	14
People & Blogs	0.44	0.44	0.44	780
Pets & Animals	0.83	0.60	0.70	88
Science & Technology	0.57	0.52	0.54	268
Shows	0.57	0.73	0.64	22
Sports	0.84	0.80	0.82	641
Travel & Events	0.72	0.65	0.68	63
accuracy			0.68	8321
macro avg	0.69	0.60	0.62	8321
weighted avg	0.68	0.68	0.68	8321



- **Classification of words based on audience viewing habits to accurately map what people are watching with the right content**
- **Exploring other techniques which can map tags with categories (the LDA model did not work very well for this)**



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# Appendix

# Inferring the topic from keywords

**story**, new,  
season, scene,  
perform, reveal,  
interview, win,  
time, year

Movies /  
Entertain  
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trailer, **love**,  
want, kid, need,  
kiss, blood,  
break, girl,  
explain

Romance

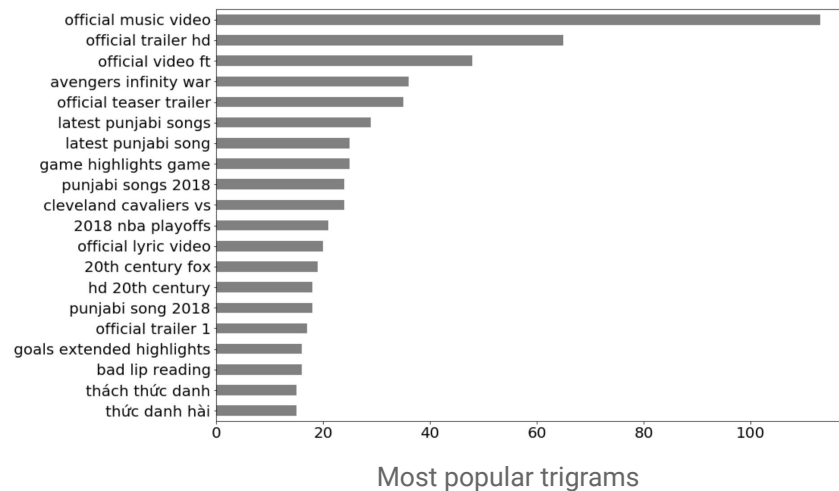
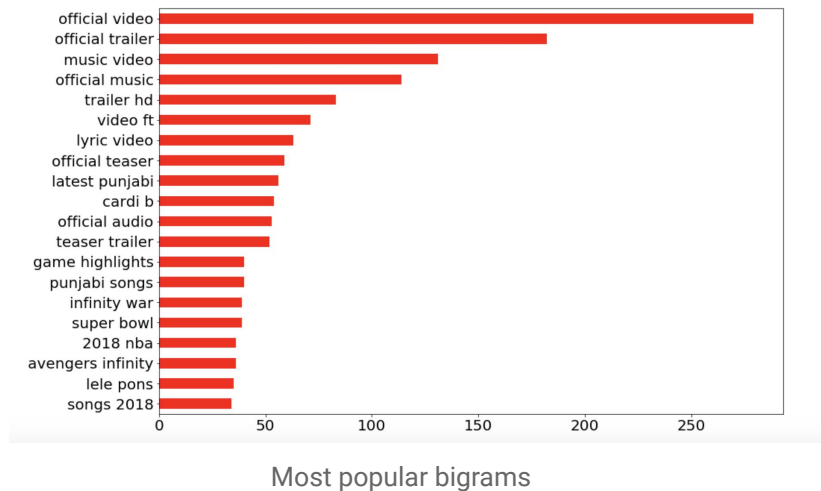
**audio**, talk, ft.,  
good, performance,  
song, night, watch,  
come, cat

Music /  
Audio

**official**, video,  
music, live, movie,  
lyric, teaser,  
eurovision, final,  
cover

Music /  
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# Identifying popular words

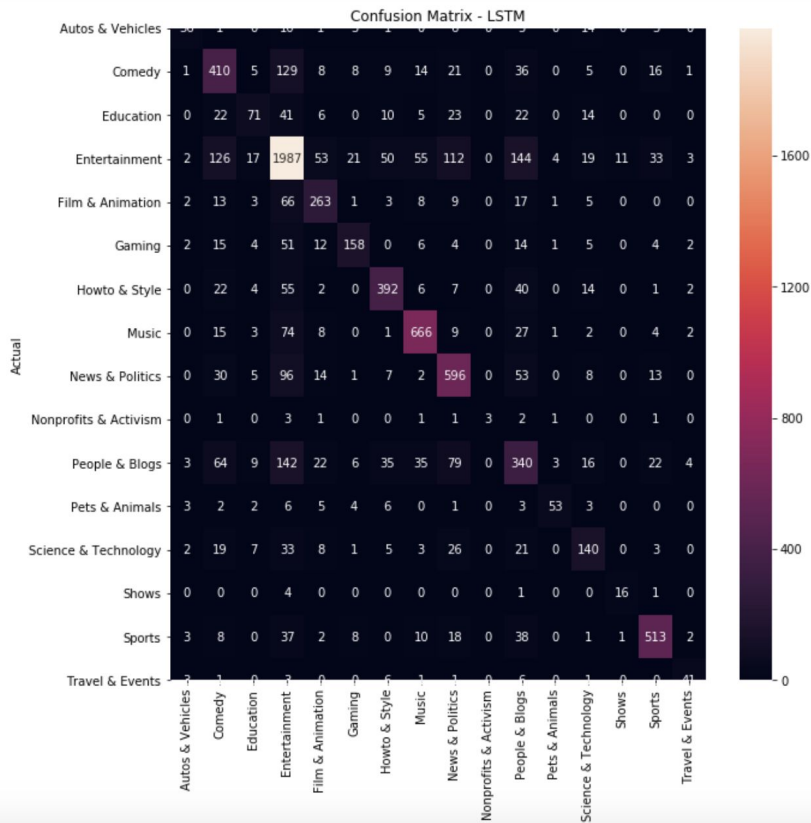




# Identifying dominant keywords

Document_No	Dominant_Topic	Topic_Perc_Contrib	Keywords	Text
0	0	1.0	0.4480 story, new, season, scene, perform, reveal, interview, win, time, year	[miss, play]
1	1	0.0	0.2500 audio, talk, ft, good, performance, song, night, watch, come, cat	[]
2	2	1.0	0.8792 story, new, season, scene, perform, reveal, interview, win, time, year	[earthquake, deadly, tremor, hit, border, region]
3	3	2.0	0.8040 trailer, love, want, kid, need, kiss, blood, break, girl, explain	[boyfriend, net, worth]
4	4	2.0	0.4429 trailer, love, want, kid, need, kiss, blood, break, girl, explain	[people, awesome, collective, present, pet, awesome]
5	5	0.0	0.6249 audio, talk, ft, good, performance, song, night, watch, come, cat	[wow]
6	6	2.0	0.7472 trailer, love, want, kid, need, kiss, blood, break, girl, explain	[face, transplant, patient, meet, donor, family]
7	7	2.0	0.7259 trailer, love, want, kid, need, kiss, blood, break, girl, explain	[love, sight]
8	8	2.0	0.8301 trailer, love, want, kid, need, kiss, blood, break, girl, explain	[kid, use, celeb, connection]
9	9	3.0	0.4183 official, video, music, live, movie, lyric, teaser, eurovision, final, cover	[vertical, video]

# LSTM accuracy and CM



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score, acc = model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, batch_size=batch_size, verbose=2)
print('Test accuracy:', acc)
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Test accuracy: 0.6832111477851868