Option 1 - Data Science/ML

Objectives

- 1. To gain insights from the dataset to make organized data-driven decisions.
- 2. Topic Modeling to extract topics from a large volume of data
- 3. Design a simple model to predict the number of upVotess based on the time and contents of the title.

Pipeline

- 1. Data Cleaning: Data cleaning can be performed in many different ways and not limited to the steps followed below. It is an important step that the helps identify relevant instances.
- 2. Feature Engineering: It helps transform data into features that accuractely reflect the relation to predictive models.
- 3. Data Visualization: This technique helps draw insights from the dataset. Very useful as it helps articulate the task at hand. (
 Posts vs Time; Popular authors; best time to post news; word embedding)
- 4. Text Understanding
- 5. Topic Modeling: LDA
- 6. Linear Regression

Importing Libraries and Reading Dataset

```
Requirement already satisfied: geotext in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (0.4.0)

import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
sns.set()
from datetime import datetime, timedelta, date
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
%matplotlib inline
import string
from wordcloud import WordCloud
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
from contextlib import contextmanager
import time
from geotext import GeoText
import re
from collections import Counter
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
import nltk
from nltk.stem import PorterStemmer,WordNetLemmatizer
from wordcloud import WordCloud
# Importing dataset
df=pd.read_csv('/content/drive/MyDrive/Eluvio-DS Challenge/Eluvio_DS_Challenge.csv')
print("Shape of data=>",df.shape)
    Shape of data=> (509236, 8)
df.info()
df.head(5)
```

→ 1.Data Cleaning

```
memori abage. 2.... iib
```

a. Check for missing values

Let's see if there are any null values present in our dataset.

```
df.isnull().sum()

time_created 0
date_created 0
up_votes 0
down_votes 0
title 0
over_18 0
author 0
category 0
dtype: int64
```

No null values present.

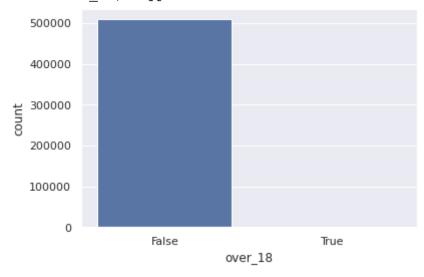
b.Feature Exploration

There are a total of 10 features present in the dataset.

```
sns.countplot(df['over_18'])
print(df['over_18'].value_counts())
```

False 508916 True 320

Name: over_18, dtype: int64



```
print(df['category'].value_counts())
print(df['down_votes'].value_counts())
```

worldnews 509236

Name: category, dtype: int64

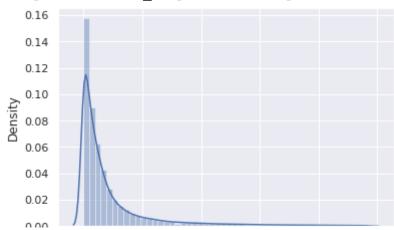
0 509236

Name: down_votes, dtype: int64

--> All down_votes are zero

sns.distplot(df[df['up_votes']<=97]['up_votes'])</pre>

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-->It can be observed that upVotes have zero-inflated distribution and 18% of news have no upvotes.

Length of the title

```
for t, title in enumerate(df[['title']].sample(20, random state=2019).title):
   print(t, ':', title)
    0 : Iran launches mass production of new surface-to-air missiles
    1: Burkina Faso traders riot over lootings: Merchants set fire to ruling party s headquarters after official
    2 : Drought, hail, cold conspire to turn European wine grape harvest in worst in half a century
    3 : Pinochet-era death squad members jailed
    4 : Peru state energy company reports Amazon oil spill
    5 : Miami feds indict 6 on charges of supporting Pakistani Taliban
    6 : Ukrainian rebels free four OSCE hostages, four still in captivity
    7 : Signs of Changes Taking Hold in Electronics Factories in China
    8: Turnbull, Morrison to speak on tax reform
    9 : Panama Papers: Pakistan PM Sharif under fire over offshore accounts
    10 : Germany Pushes for Gas Pipeline with Russia
    11: China eyes artificial intelligence for 'fire-and-forget' cruise missiles | China is already a global lea
    12: WHO: 7 million premature deaths annually linked to air pollution
    13 : Three Turkish soldiers killed as PKK steps up attacks after air strikes - Ynetnews
    14: Daily Beast: Tim Geithner was aware of LIBOR rate fixing in 2007, but chose not to do anything
```

15: Iran's top human rights official censured the hypocritical approach pursued by the self-styled advocates

- 16: Rupert Murdoch Admits Defeat: Now Wants London Times To Appear In Google Search Results
- 17: 'NY Times' publishes defense of racial segregation in Israel
- 18: Affluenza teen may delay deportation from Mexico with human rights law
- 19: Bundeswehr ammunition gets lost on Berlin-Mali flight
- --> Note that "length of titles" does not really give much information

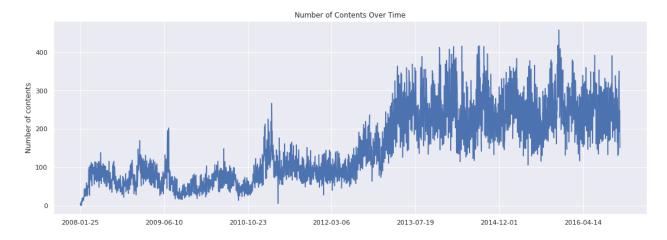
Over_18 contents

```
df.over 18.value counts()
    False
             508916
    True
                320
    Name: over 18, dtype: int64
for text in df[df.over 18==True].sample(20, random state=2019).title:
    print(text)
    International Go-Topless Day sees women bare breasts in 50 cities
    NSFW: Syrian Internet Restored, Dramatic Footage Emerges [VIDEO]
     Muslim, let's get naked: Ukraine-based activist group Femen Opens First Office Abroad in Paris. For the ope
    In pictures: Gaza Massacre (Graphic! possibly NSFW)
    Footage suggests Egypt protesters shot at - NSFW
    Tragic story - How the Thai army deals with deserters. Warning - graphic pictures inside.
    IDF kills young Palestinian boy. Potentially NSFW.
    Tibetan in Delhi Sets Self Alight to Protest Chinese Leader s Visit - NYTimes.com
    [NSFL] Australian child molester Peter Scully faces death penalty in Philippines - Scully filmed his torture
    2,500 people killed in Bangladesh by the Govt. on May 6, 2013, however, the World doesn t know about it.
    Animal Cruelty in Halal Meat Production in Indonesia supported by Australia (NSFW)
    Japanese idol, a member of the girls group AKB48, accused of sexually abusing a child in her inappropriate
    CNN: Videos show glimpse into evidence for Syria intervention
    Israeli female soldiers disciplined for racy Facebook photos [NSFW]
    Syrian Doctor Describes Treating Chemical Weapons Victims [NSFL] [NPR]
    Hundreds of children s bodies piled high after nerve gas attack near Damascus leaves up to 1,300 dead
    Japanese woman faces two years in prison for trying to 3D scan her vagina for a special kind of kyak design.
    NSFW A child girl shot in the eye by Syrian security forces.
    Tortured puppies covered in hot tar and left for dead in Romanian city
    Israeli Rights Group Releases Video of Soldier Executing Wounded Palestinian Suspect
```

--> Contents containing terms like [NSFW, NSFL, NPR] are all classified as over_18

Content vs Time

```
df[['date_created', 'time_created']].groupby('date_created').count().plot(figsize=(18,6), legend=None)
plt.title('Number of Contents Over Time')
plt.ylabel('Number of contents')
plt.xlabel(None)
plt.show()
```



→ 2. Feature Engineering:

```
@contextmanager
def timer(title):
    t0 = time.time()
    vield
    print("{} - done in {:.0f}s".format(title, time.time() - t0))
def places(x):
    count = GeoText(x).countries
    city = GeoText(x).cities
    w = 0
    if not count and not city: return 0
    else:
        w=len(count)+len(city)
        return w
def countries(x):
    count = GeoText(x).countries
    city = GeoText(x).cities
    w = ''
    if not count and not city: return np.nan
    else:
        for country in count:
            w = w+' '+country
        for c in city:
            w = w+' '+c
        return w
def df feature engineer(df):
    df['date_created'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date_created'])
    df['day of week']=df['date created'].dt.day name()
    df['day of week num']=df['date created'].dt.dayofweek
    df['year'] = df['date created'].dt.year
    df['month'] = df['date created'].dt.month
    df['day'] = df['date created'].dt.day
    df['weekend'] = np.where(df['date created'].dt.dayofweek>4,1, 0)
    df['years to now'] = (datetime.today() - df['date created']).dt.days/365
```

```
df['time_created'] = pd.to_datetime(df['time_created'], unit='s')
df['day_time']=df['time_created'].dt.hour+df['time_created'].dt.minute/60+df['time_created'].dt.second/3600
df['author_total_posts'] = df['author'].groupby(df['author']).transform('count')
df = df.drop(columns=['date_created','down_votes','category'])
df['title_length'] = df['title'].str.split().apply(len)
df['over_18'] = df['over_18'].map({False:0,True:1})
df['countries'] = df['title'].apply(lambda x: countries(x))
df['places'] = df['title'].apply(lambda x: places(x))
return df
with timer("New Features and Clean Data"):
df = df_feature_engineer(df)
New Features and Clean Data - done in 36s
```

Formatted Data

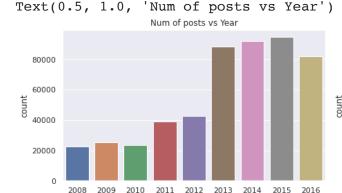
```
df = df.sort_values(['time_created'], ascending=True)
df.head(1)
```

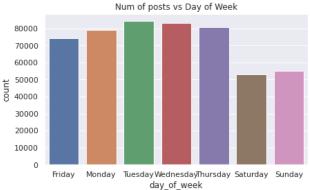
	time_created	up_votes	title	over_18	author	day_of_week	day_of_week_num	year	month	day	weekend	уe
C	2008-01-25 03:34:06	3	Scores killed in Pakistan clashes	0	polar	Friday	4	2008	1	25	0	

→ 3. Data Visualization

1. Countplots: Number of posts vs year and day of the week.

```
f, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(15, 4))
g=sns.countplot(x='day_of_week',data=df,ax=ax[1])
g.set_title('Num of posts vs Day of Week')
g=sns.countplot(x='year',data=df,ax=ax[0])
g.set_title('Num of posts vs Year')
```



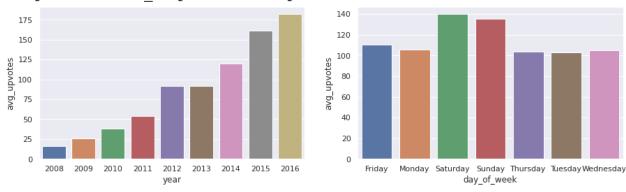


2. Barplots: Average upvotes vs year and day of the week.

year

```
f, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(15, 4))
plot1 = df.groupby('year').mean()['up_votes'].reset_index(name='avg_upvotes')
sns.barplot(x='year',y='avg_upvotes',data=plot1, ax=ax[0])
plot2 = df.groupby('day_of_week').mean()['up_votes'].reset_index(name='avg_upvotes')
sns.barplot(x='day_of_week',y='avg_upvotes',data=plot2, ax=ax[1])
```





--> From the plots, it can be observed that the number of visitors and posts increase over time. Users tend to be more active. From this, it would quite reasonable to assume that any posts during the weekend receives more upvotes on average.

3. Total upvotes and mean upvotes vs day time.

```
f, ax = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(15, 4))
plot3 = df.groupby('day_time').count()['up_votes'].reset_index(name='count')
sns.scatterplot(x='day_time', y='count', data=plot3, ax=ax[0])
plot4 = df.groupby('day_time').mean()['up_votes'].reset_index(name='avg')
sns.scatterplot(x='day_time', y='avg', data=plot4, ax=ax[1])
```

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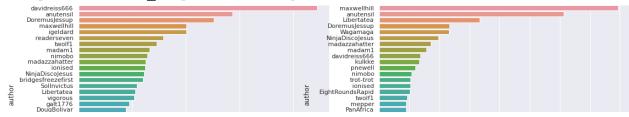
7000
6000
6000
```

--> From the above plot it can be seen that one post in particular received the highest upvotes. Additionally, threre are more posts after 3:00pm.

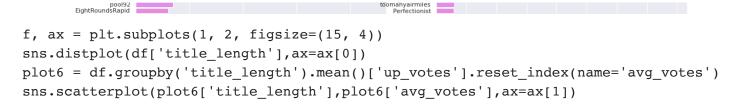
```
#df[df['up_votes'] > 20000] # Comment this line when performing regression
```

4. Top 30 most active authors and top 30 authors with most upvotes.

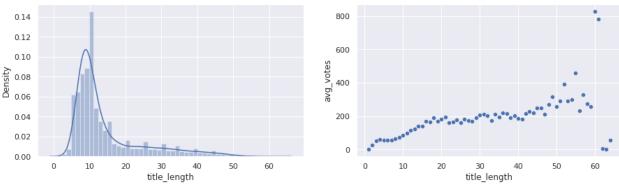
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5. Distribution of the length of the news title. Avg votes vs length of news titles.

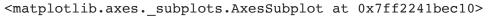






--> We can see that when the length of the words is around 12, there is a peak in the number of upvotes but gradually decreases with the increase in word length and almost reaches zero after 55.

6. Top 30 countries in the news with different years.





--> Not enough can be inferred from the this plot. We can see that the countries mentioned differ year by year. For example, we can see that there count for Ukraine increased in 2014 due to <u>Ukraine's Revolution</u>

4. Text Understanding

```
import nltk
nltk.download('stopwords')
nltk.download('punkt')
nltk.download('wordnet')
```

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```
[nltk_data] Downloading package stopwords to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package stopwords is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package punkt is already up-to-date!
[nltk_data] Downloading package wordnet to /root/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package wordnet is already up-to-date!
True
```

a. Word cleaning and lemmatization

```
text = df['title']
lemma=WordNetLemmatizer()
stopwords en = stopwords.words('english')
def text_process(text):
    text = re.sub(r"\'s", "", text)
    text = re.sub(r",", "", text)
    text = re.sub(r"\.", "", text)
    text = re.sub(r"U-turn", "Uturn", text)
    text = re.sub(r"New York Times", "NewYorkTimes", text)
    text = re.sub(r"\", " ^ ", text)
    text = re.sub(r"U of", "University of", text)
    text = re.sub(r"N Korea", "NorthKorea", text)
    text = re.sub(r"'", "", text)
    text = re.sub(r''(\d+)(k)'', r''\q<1>000'', text)
    text = re.sub(r"U S", "US", text)
    text = re.sub(r"U S ", "US", text)
    text = re.sub(r"U N", "UN", text)
    text = re.sub(r"U N ", "UN", text)
    text = re.sub(r"@\S+", "", text)
    word=nltk.word tokenize(text.lower())
    new word=[w for w in word if w not in stopwords en and w.isalpha()]
    new word=[lemma.lemmatize(w, "v") for w in new word]
    return new word
```

After applying tokenization and normalization

```
def word freq(s):
    txt = s.str.lower().str.cat(sep=' ')
   words = text process(txt)
   words dist = nltk.FreqDist(w for w in words)
    return words dist
for year in range(2008, 2017):
    words dist=word freq(df[df['year']==year]['title'])
    res=[]
    for w, count in words dist.most common(10): res.append(w)
    print(year, res)
    2008 ['us', 'say', 'kill', 'china', 'war', 'world', 'attack', 'iraq', 'iran', 'new']
    2009 ['us', 'israel', 'iran', 'say', 'gaza', 'kill', 'world', 'war', 'new', 'israeli']
    2010 ['us', 'israel', 'say', 'kill', 'world', 'china', 'new', 'iran', 'war', 'attack']
    2011 ['say', 'kill', 'us', 'protest', 'libya', 'egypt', 'new', 'china', 'government', 'force']
    2012 ['say', 'kill', 'us', 'china', 'syria', 'iran', 'new', 'news', 'police', 'attack']
    2013 ['say', 'us', 'syria', 'kill', 'china', 'new', 'attack', 'world', 'police', 'korea']
    2014 ['say', 'us', 'ukraine', 'russia', 'kill', 'new', 'china', 'state', 'attack', 'russian']
    2015 ['say', 'us', 'kill', 'china', 'attack', 'new', 'russia', 'state', 'isis', 'syria']
    2016 ['say', 'us', 'china', 'kill', 'attack', 'new', 'syria', 'russia', 'state', 'police']
words dist=word freq(df['title'])
len(words dist)
#words dist
```

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```
wordcloud = WordCloud(width=1600, height=800,background_color='white').generate_from_frequencies(words_dist)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=(15,5), facecolor='c')
plt.imshow(wordcloud)
plt.axis('off')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
words_dist['bbc']
```



Word2Vec Embedding

```
import gensim
filename = '/content/drive/MyDrive/Eluvio-DS Challenge/GoogleNews-vectors-negative300.bin.gz'
model = gensim.models.KeyedVectors.load_word2vec_format(filename, binary=True)
```

1 6 -- 10-- / 1 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

```
det Word2Vec(model, titles_list):
    big_title_string = ' '.join(titles_list)
    words = text_process(big_title_string)
    vectorList = [model[word] for word in words if word in model.vocab]
    wordsFiltered = [word for word in words if word in model.vocab]
    wrd2vec_dict = dict(zip(wordsFiltered, vectorList))
    dic = pd.DataFrame.from_dict(wrd2vec_dict, orient='index')
    print('Shape of dictionary',dic.shape)
    return dic

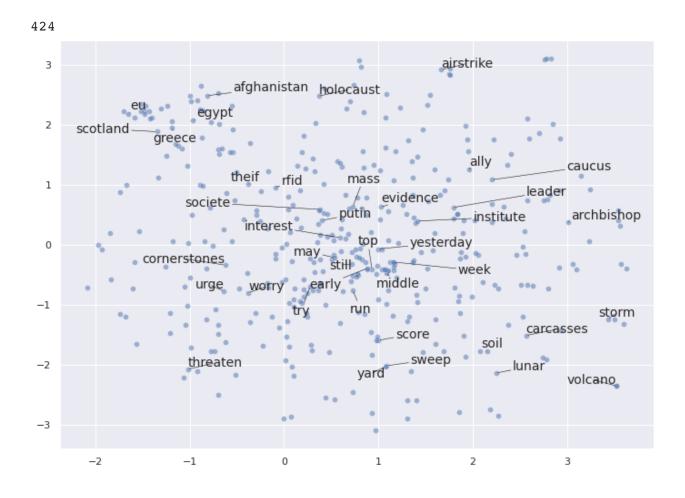
titles_list = [title for title in text]
dic = Word2Vec(model, titles_list)

Shape of dictionary (38301, 300)
```

t-Distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE)- It is non-linear dimensionality reduction technquie that is particularly helpful for high-dimensinoal datasets. It can be used in image processing, speech processing, genomic data and Natural Language Processing.

```
pip install adjustText
    Requirement already satisfied: adjustText in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (0.7.3)
    Requirement already satisfied: numpy in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (from adjustText) (1.19.5)
    Requirement already satisfied: matplotlib in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (from adjustText) (3.2.2)
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    Requirement already satisfied: six in /usr/local/lib/python3.7/dist-packages (from cycler>=0.10->matplotlib->
from sklearn.manifold import TSNE
from adjustText import adjust text
tsne = TSNE(n components = 2, init = 'random', random state = 10, perplexity = 100)
tsne df = tsne.fit transform(dic[0:400])
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (11.7, 8.27))
sns.scatterplot(tsne df[:, 0], tsne df[:, 1], alpha = 0.5)
texts = []
```

```
words_to_plot = list(np.arange(0, 400, 10))
for word in words_to_plot: texts.append(plt.text(tsne_df[word, 0], tsne_df[word, 1], dic.index[word], fontsize = 1
adjust_text(texts, force_points = 0.4, force_text = 0.4, expand_points = (2,1), expand_text = (1,2), arrowprops =
```



Doc2Vec

To reduce the training process of a traditional Doc2Vec embedding teechnique, the average embedding of each word in title text is considered.

```
class Doc2Vec:
    def init (self, model, corpus):
        self.word2vec_model = model
        self.corpus = corpus
    def document vector(self, doc):
        doc = [word for word in doc if word in self.word2vec model.vocab]
        return np.mean(self.word2vec model[doc], axis=0)
    def filter_docs(self, texts, condition_on_doc):
        number_of_docs = len(self.corpus)
        texts = [text for (text, doc) in zip(texts, self.corpus)
                 if condition_on_doc(doc)]
       corpus = [doc for doc in self.corpus if condition on doc(doc)]
        print("{} documents removed".format(number_of_docs - len(corpus)))
        return (corpus, texts)
    def vector representation(self, doc): return not all(word not in self.word2vec model.vocab for word in doc)
corpus = df['title'].map(text process)
temp = Doc2Vec(model, corpus)
corpus, titles left = temp.filter docs(titles list, lambda doc: temp.vector representation(doc))
# Initialize an array for the size of the corpus
x = []
for doc in corpus:
   x.append(temp.document_vector(doc))
docvec = np.array(x)
    171 documents removed
# Initialize t-SNE
tsne = TSNE(n components = 2, init = 'random', random state = 10, perplexity = 100)
tsne df = tsne.fit transform(docvec[:400])
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (14, 10))
sns.scatterplot(tsne df[:, 0], tsne df[:, 1], alpha = 0.5)
```

```
texts = []
titles_to_plot = list(np.arange(0, 400, 40))
for title in titles_to_plot: texts.append(plt.text(tsne_df[title, 0], tsne_df[title, 1], titles_list[title], fonts
adjust_text(texts, force_points = 0.4, force_text = 0.4, expand_points = (2,1), expand_text = (1,2), arrowprops = d
```



→ 5. Topic Modeling

Topic Modeling(Statistical Modeling) is used to help understand the abstract topics that occur in datasets. **Latent Dirichlet Allocation** (**LDA**) is one such technique which helps classify text content in a document to a particular topic. The process involves building a topic for a document model, words for topic model which is designed as Dirichlet distributions.

```
sample = text.sample(frac=0.1)
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import CountVectorizer, TfidfVectorizer
cv = CountVectorizer(analyzer = text process)
text matrix = cv.fit transform(sample)
def get top n words(n, keys, document term matrix, count vectorizer):
    top word indices = []
    for topic in range(n topics):
        temp vector sum = 0
        for i in range(len(keys)):
            if keys[i] == topic:
                temp_vector_sum += document_term_matrix[i]
        temp_vector_sum = temp_vector_sum.toarray()
        top n word indices = np.flip(np.argsort(temp vector sum)[0][-n:],0)
        top word indices.append(top n word indices)
    top words = []
    for topic in top_word_indices:
       topic_words = []
        for index in topic:
            temp word vector = np.zeros((1,document term matrix.shape[1]))
            temp word vector[:,index] = 1
            the word = count vectorizer.inverse transform(temp word vector)[0][0]
            topic words.append(the word.encode('ascii').decode('utf-8'))
       top_words.append(" ".join(topic_words))
    return top words
```

```
from sklearn.decomposition import LatentDirichletAllocation
n \text{ topics} = 8
lda_model = LatentDirichletAllocation(n_components=n_topics, learning method='online',
                                          random state=0, verbose=0)
lda_topic_matrix = lda_model.fit_transform(text_matrix)
lda_keys = lda_topic_matrix.argmax(axis=1).tolist()
count pairs = Counter(lda keys).items()
categlda categoriesories = [pair[0] for pair in count pairs]
lda counts = [pair[1] for pair in count pairs]
top n words lda = get top n words(10, lda keys, text matrix, cv)
for i in range(len(top n words lda)):
    print("Topic {}: ".format(i+1), top n words lda[i])
    Topic 1: korea north china government say ban german us germany south
    Topic 2: china us minister saudi say arabia prime sea uk south
    Topic 3: say kill us attack state syria force china president report
    Topic 4: world news say iran india nuclear bbc china bank global
    Topic 5: police protest say arrest court kill call charge right case
    Topic 6: russia say syria us new ukraine eu military gaza strike
    Topic 7: kill people un die years say turkey chinese bomb show
    Topic 8: us say israel new find attack war russia get world
```

- 6.Regression

We can use Linear Regression to predict the number of upVotes based on titles.

```
main.dropna(axis=0, inplace=True)
main.head(1)
```

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

0 -0.045776 0.086182 0.162781 0.033356 -0.012695 0.103027 0.002197 -0.133911 -0.05481 0.18335 -0.049713 -0.270142

1 rows x 314 columns

```
from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, mean_absolute error
def model diagnostics(model, pr=True):
   y predicted = model.predict(X val)
   r2 = r2_score(y_val, y_predicted)
   mse = mean squared error(y val, y predicted)
   mae = mean absolute error(y val, y predicted)
    if pr:
        print(f"R-Sq: {r2:.4}")
       print(f"RMSE: {np.sqrt(mse)}")
        print(f"MAE: {mae}")
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
X=main.drop(columns=['up_votes','title'])
y=main['up_votes']
X train, X val, y train, y val = train test split(X, y,test size=0.1,random state=101)
reg = LinearRegression().fit(X train, y train)
model diagnostics(reg)
    R-Sq: 0.01724
    RMSE: 554.8813009641437
    MAE: 189.97354044082957
```

Conclusions

Many conclusions can be drawn from this NLP analyis. Distribution of News vs Time: It can be observed that users access news articles online evidenced with the increase in the number of upVotes. It can also be oberved that there were a lot of terror attacks that happened between 2008 to 2016 which was deduced from Bag-of-Words model. The Linear Regression did not perform that well. Future work can involve Tree-based ensemble classifier.

Future Work

- 1. We can perform sentiment analysis on the title to test accurate content of the news and also maybe to certain extent could help determine it's influence on the number of upvotes.
- 2. LSTM model can be used for regression analysis as it definitiely provides faster processing time and performance.

