Dahlia

Instant Visualization of Twitter Data

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Our Objectives

- Visualize the massive amount of twitter data (tweets) in a timely fashion
- Ideal for fast information extraction
- Reproducible in Python
- To be utilized by a variety of industries and technical/non-technical professionals

Especially suitable for professionals with no programming skills!

Twitter Dashboard: Why Bother?

- Graphics VS. Table
- Lack of proper visualization tools
 - Unable to handle large dataset
 - Require some knowledge about coding







✓ Most straightforward, convenient way for professionals with no programming skills

Dataset: Twitter Data

- 2 datasets (Provided by Pablo)
 - Hillary's Presidential Announcement 892.7 MB
 - 2014 Oscar 749.8 MB

	Hillary.tar	Oscar.tar
# tweets	1592531	1440256
Hashtags	42889	62230
Geolocations	570	754
User mention	98484	172775
Sources	4164	2044
Unique Tweets	84863	137742
Words	110843	129648
Unique Users	687919	960104

Dataset: Twitter Data

- Future Data Acquisition:
 - User should acquire data before utilizing Dahlia:
 - Existing app for Twitter API query: <u>DMI-TCAT</u>
 - Computationally expensive
- Data Processing:
 - Field selection and writing files in python VS MapReduce
 - Running Time: ~10 min for 1 Gb

Pipeline: How do we get there?

<u>Input</u>

- Twitter data is stored in .tar/.zip files, and usually of large sizes
- Provided by user

Data Preprocessing

- Preprocess package in Python
- No temp/intermediate files.

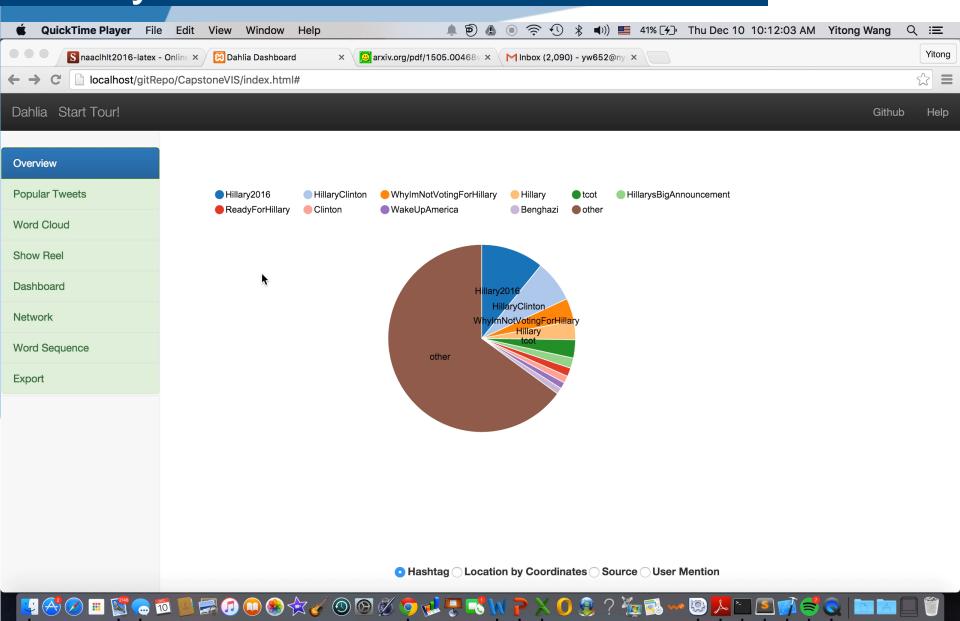
Visualization

- D3, NVD3 in JavaScript
- Twitter Bootstrap template

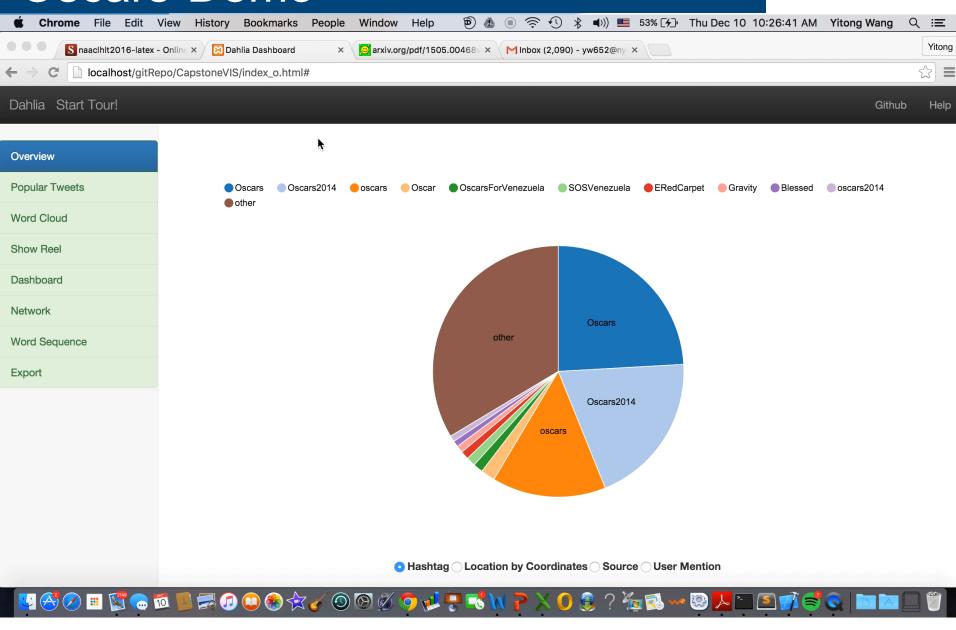
Methodology: Visualization

- Overview: Pie Charts and Stacked Area Charts
- Tweet Content:
 - Table of popular tweets
 - Word Sequence
- Keywords: Word Cloud
- Trends Animation: Show Reel
- Interaction:
 - Fields: Dashboard on location and hashtag
 - User: Hierarchical Bundling Graph

Hillary-Demo



Oscars-Demo



Product: Getting Started

- Easy Installation:
 - Automated install for Mac OS X
 - Will test on other systems in the future
- Easy to Use:
 - Go to yours web server directory
 - ./run.sh in command line

Future Work

- Data Acquisition: Connection with Twitter API
- Refine Captured Data: search queries, exclusions, date range, etc.)
- More User Interaction

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- Our Wiki: https://github.com/NYU-CDS-Capstone-Project/dahlia/wiki
- Our Demo:
- http://dahliallc.github.io/#

External resources

- D3js.org https://d3js.org
- D3-cloud https://github.com/jasondavies/d3-cloud
- D3-slider
 http://thematicmapping.org/playground/d3/d3.slider/
- jsPDF https://github.com/MrRio/jsPDF
- Introjs-D3 https://github.com/anmolkoul/introjs-D3
- Twitter bootstrap http://getbootstrap.com
- NVD3 http://nvd3.org/