



# 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 Visualization Tools for Non-Tech**
  - Unable to handle large dataset
  - Require some knowledge about coding



- ✓ **Most straightforward, convenient way for non-tech specialists**

# Dataset: Twitter API Data

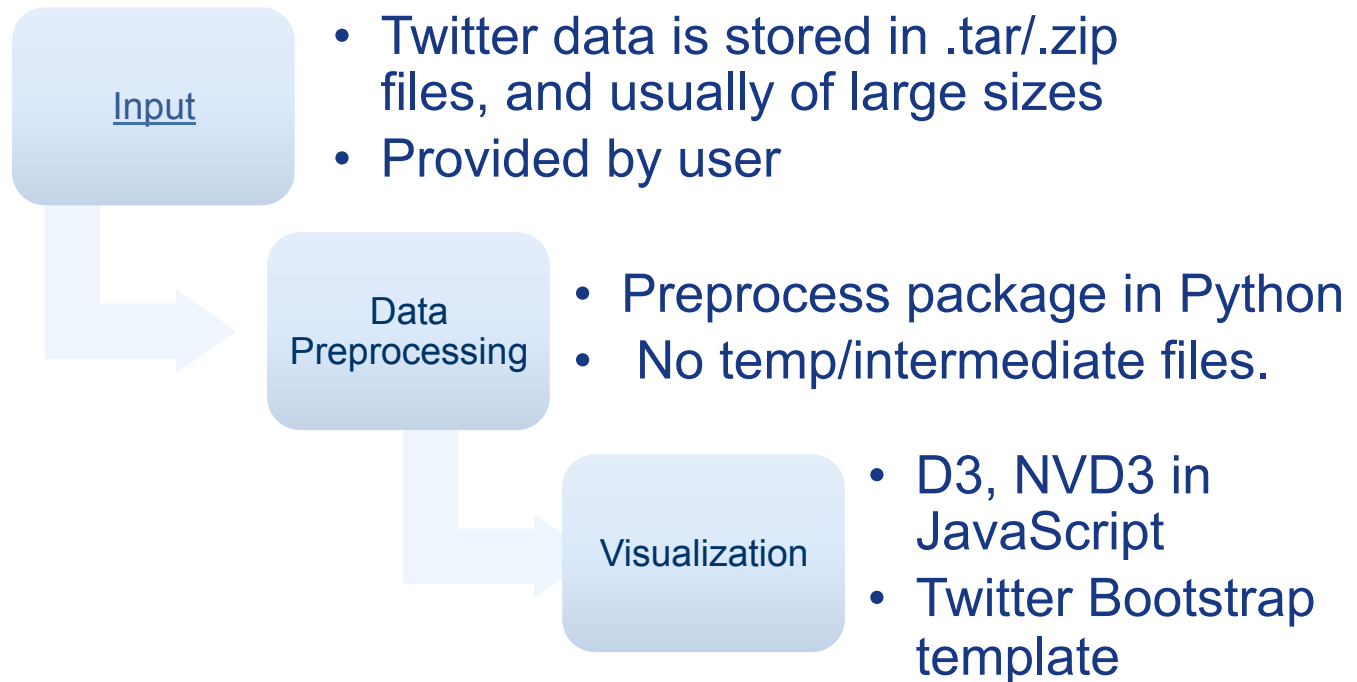
- **2 datasets (Provided by Pablo)**
  - **Hillary's Presidential Announcement 892.7 MB**
  - **2014 Oscar 749.8 MB**

	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 API Data

- **Future Data Acquisition:**
  - User should acquire data before utilizing Dahlia:
    - Existing app for Twitter API query: [DMI-TCAT](#)
    - 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?



# 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

# Product: How does it work?

## – Dahlia

### • Proc

- proc.py
- main.py
- deploy.sh
- ./Proc\_d3

Preliminary process,  
utility functions

Automated install

Process for visualization,  
output goes to Vis/data

### • Vis

- ./bower\_components
- ./css
- ./data
- ./js
- Index.html

Data directly used for  
visualization

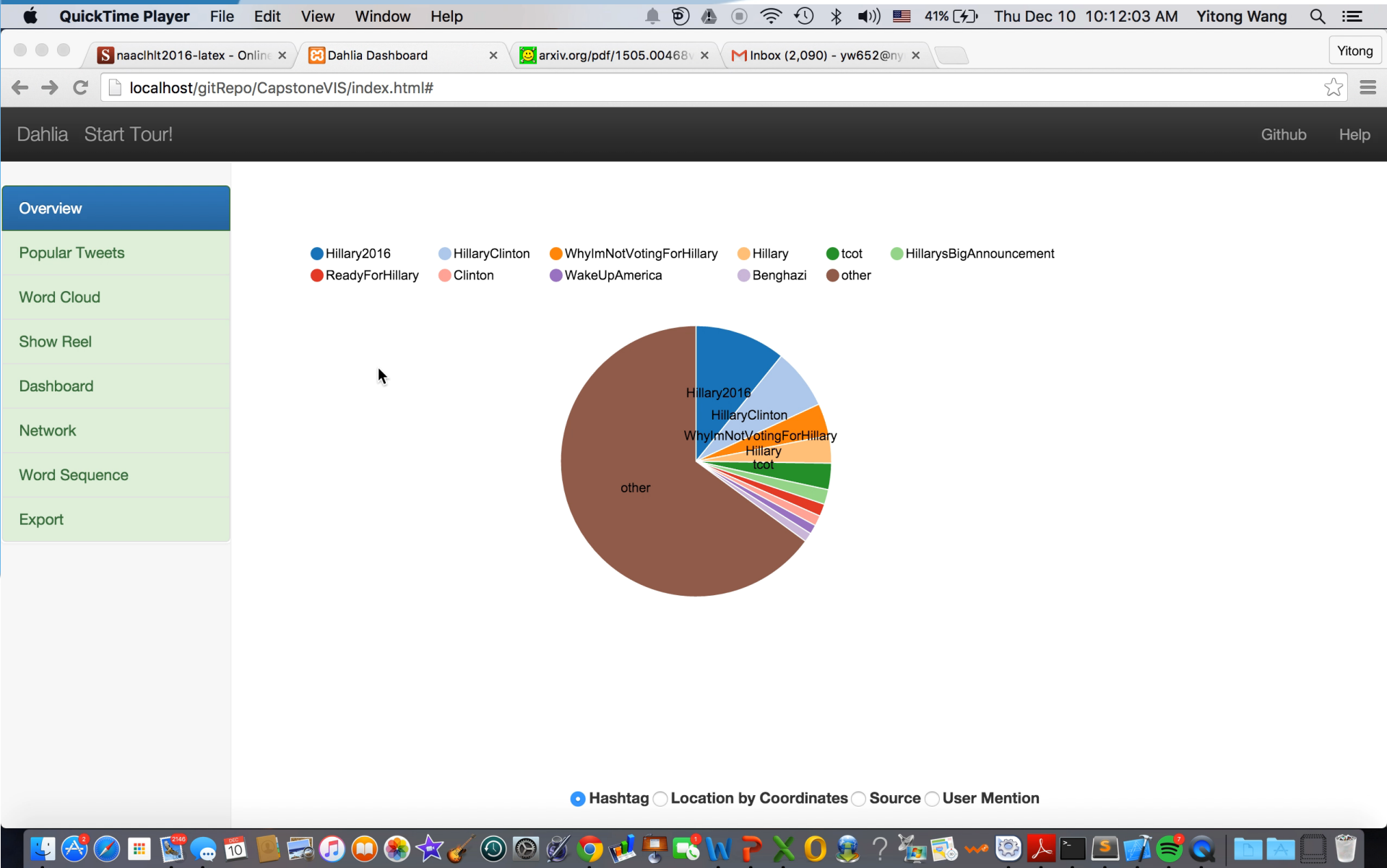
Visualization result in html

### • run.sh

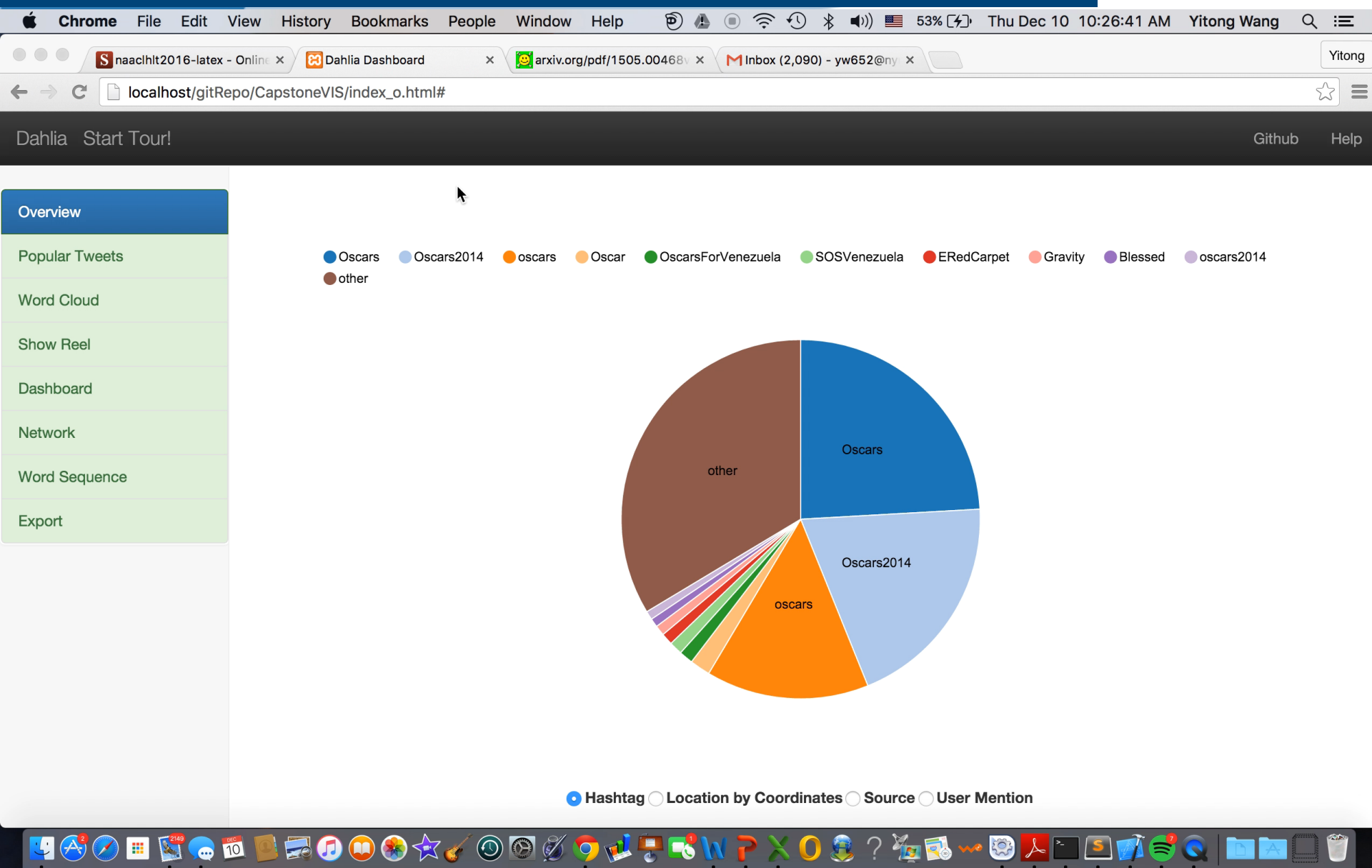
Trigger data processing



# 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/>