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Sentiment Analysis of Amazon Fine Food Reviews



Primary Goal

This project aims to perform sentiment analysis on the customer reviews of Fine Foods from the Amazon marketplace. The main goal is to understand the ratio of positive to negative reviews and help the business make informed market decisions.

Challenges Faced



The volume of Amazon customer reviews across multiple product categories makes it challenging to ensure data consistency and accuracy.



Unstructured textual data, with variations in language, tone, and grammar, complicates achieving accurate sentiment classification.



The subjective nature of customer reviews introduces challenges in maintaining unbiased sentiment labeling.

Project Approach



Data Extraction: Collecting customer reviews from the Amazon Fine Foods dataset for analysis.



Data Preprocessing: Cleaning the data by handling missing values, removing noise (e.g., punctuation and stop words), and normalizing text for consistent processing.



Sentiment Analysis with VADER: Utilizing the VADER library in Python to analyze customer reviews and assign sentiment scores based on textual data.



Linear Regression Analysis: Implementing a linear regression model to compare the actual review scores with the sentiment scores generated from the text, assessing the model's predictive accuracy.

Key Concepts – VADER Library

Overview: VADER (Valence Aware Dictionary and sEntiment Reasoner) is a Python library used for sentiment analysis.

Specialization: It is designed to analyze text, particularly social media content, for sentiment by evaluating the positivity, negativity, or neutrality of the text.

Key Features: VADER combines a lexicon-based approach with rule-based sentiment intensity scoring.

Advantages: It is simple to use, performs well on short text, and provides normalized scores for better comparability.

Key Concepts - Linear Regression

Overview: Linear regression is a statistical method used to model the relationship between a dependent variable and one or more independent variables.

Purpose: It predicts the dependent variable's value based on the linear relationship with the independent variables.

Key Elements: The model includes coefficients that measure the impact of each predictor and an intercept representing the baseline value.

Evaluation: Performance is measured using metrics like Mean Squared Error (MSE) and R-squared to assess accuracy and variability explained.

Applications: Commonly used in forecasting, trend analysis, and establishing relationships between variables.

Data Source

The dataset comprises approximately 500,000 Amazon customer reviews on fine food products. It includes information such as helpfulness ratings, review scores (1 to 5), summaries, and full reviews. The important columns are Score and Text.

| ID | ProductID | UserID | ProfileName | Helpfulnes | HelpfulnessD | Score | Summary | Text |
|----|------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------|--------------|-------|---------------------------|--|
| 1 | B001E4KFG0 | A3SGXH7AUHU8GW | delmartian | 1 | 1 | 5 | Good Quality Dog Food | I have bought several of the Vitality canned dog food products and have found them all to be of good quality. The product looks more like |
| 2 | B00813GRG4 | A1D87F6ZCVE5NK | dll pa | 0 | 0 | 1 | Not as Advertised | Product arrived labeled as Jumbo Salted Peanuts...the peanuts were actually small sized unsalted. Not sure if this was an error or if the |
| 3 | B000LQOCH0 | ABXLMWJIXXAIN | Natalia Corres "Natalia | 1 | 1 | 4 | "Delight" says it all | This is a confection that has been around a few centuries. It is a light, pillowy citrus gelatin with nuts - in this case Filberts. And it is cut in |
| 4 | B000UA0QIQ | A395BORC6FGVXV | Karl | 3 | 3 | 2 | Cough Medicine | If you are looking for the secret ingredient in Robitussin I believe I have found it. I got this in addition to the Root Beer Extract I ordered (w |
| 5 | B006K2ZZ7K | A1UQRSCLF8GW1T | Michael D. Bigham "M. \ | 0 | 0 | 5 | Great taffy | Great taffy at a great price. There was a wide assortment of yummy taffy. Delivery was very quick. If your a taffy lover, this is a deal. |
| 6 | B006K2ZZ7K | ADT0SRK1MGOEU | Twoapennything | 0 | 0 | 4 | Nice Taffy | I got a wild hair for taffy and ordered this five pound bag. The taffy was all very enjoyable with many flavors: watermelon, root beer, melon |
| 7 | B006K2ZZ7K | A1SP2KVKFXXRU1 | David C. Sullivan | 0 | 0 | 5 | Great! Just as good as th | This saltwater taffy had great flavors and was very soft and chewy. Each candy was individually wrapped well. None of the candies were |
| 8 | B006K2ZZ7K | A3JRGQVEQN31IQ | Pamela G. Williams | 0 | 0 | 5 | Wonderful, tasty taffy | This taffy is so good. It is very soft and chewy. The flavors are amazing. I would definitely recommend you buying it. Very satisfying!! |
| 9 | B000E7L2R4 | A1MZYO9TZK0BBI | R. James | 1 | 1 | 5 | Yay Barley | Right now I'm mostly just sprouting this so my cats can eat the grass. They love it. I rotate it around with Wheatgrass and Rye too |
| 10 | B00171APVA | A21BT40VZCCYT4 | Carol A. Reed | 0 | 0 | 5 | Healthy Dog Food | This is a very healthy dog food. Good for their digestion. Also good for small puppies. My dog eats her required amount at every feeding. |

Code explanation - Data Extraction and Preprocessing

```
1 import pandas as pd
2 import numpy as np
3 from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
4 from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
5 from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
6 from vaderSentiment.vaderSentiment import SentimentIntensityAnalyzer
7 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
1 # Load the dataset from an Excel file
2 df = pd.read_csv("C:/Users/priya/Downloads/Reviews.csv/Reviews.csv", usecols=['Score', 'Summary', 'Text'])
```

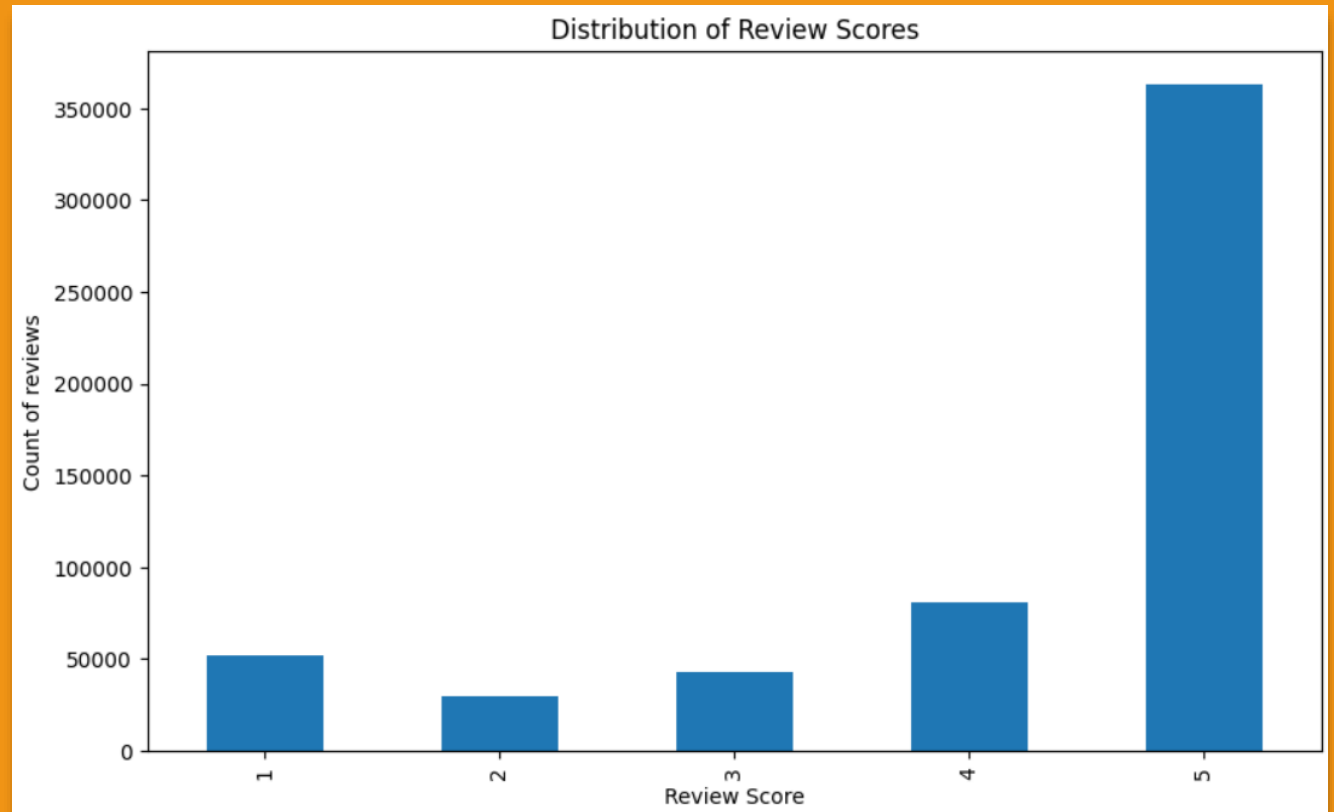
```
1 # Convert the dataframe to a list of lists for easier manipulation
2 dataset = df.values.tolist()
3
4 # Display the first 5 rows after preprocessing
5 print("Dataset after preprocessing (first 5 rows):")
6 print(df.head())
7 print("\n")
```

Dataset after preprocessing (first 5 rows):

| | Score | Summary \ |
|---|-------|-----------------------|
| 0 | 5 | Good Quality Dog Food |
| 1 | 1 | Not as Advertised |
| 2 | 4 | "Delight" says it all |
| 3 | 2 | Cough Medicine |
| 4 | 5 | Great taffy |

| | Text |
|---|---|
| 0 | I have bought several of the Vitality canned d... |
| 1 | Product arrived labeled as Jumbo Salted Peanut... |
| 2 | This is a confection that has been around a fe... |
| 3 | If you are looking for the secret ingredient i... |
| 4 | Great taffy at a great price. There was a wid... |

Code Explanation - Plotting Actual Review Scores



```
1 # Plot the distribution of actual scores before analysis
2 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
3 df['Score'].value_counts().sort_index().plot(kind='bar')
4 plt.title('Distribution of Review Scores')
5 plt.xlabel('Review Score')
6 plt.ylabel('Count of reviews')
7 plt.show()
```

Code Explanation - Sentiment Analysis

```
1 # Initialize VADER sentiment analyzer
2 sia = SentimentIntensityAnalyzer()
3
4 # Function to get sentiment scores and scale them to 0-5
5 def get_scaled_sentiment_scores(text):
6     compound_score = sia.polarity_scores(text)['compound']
7     # Scale from [-1, 1] to [0, 5]
8     return (compound_score + 1) * 2.5
```

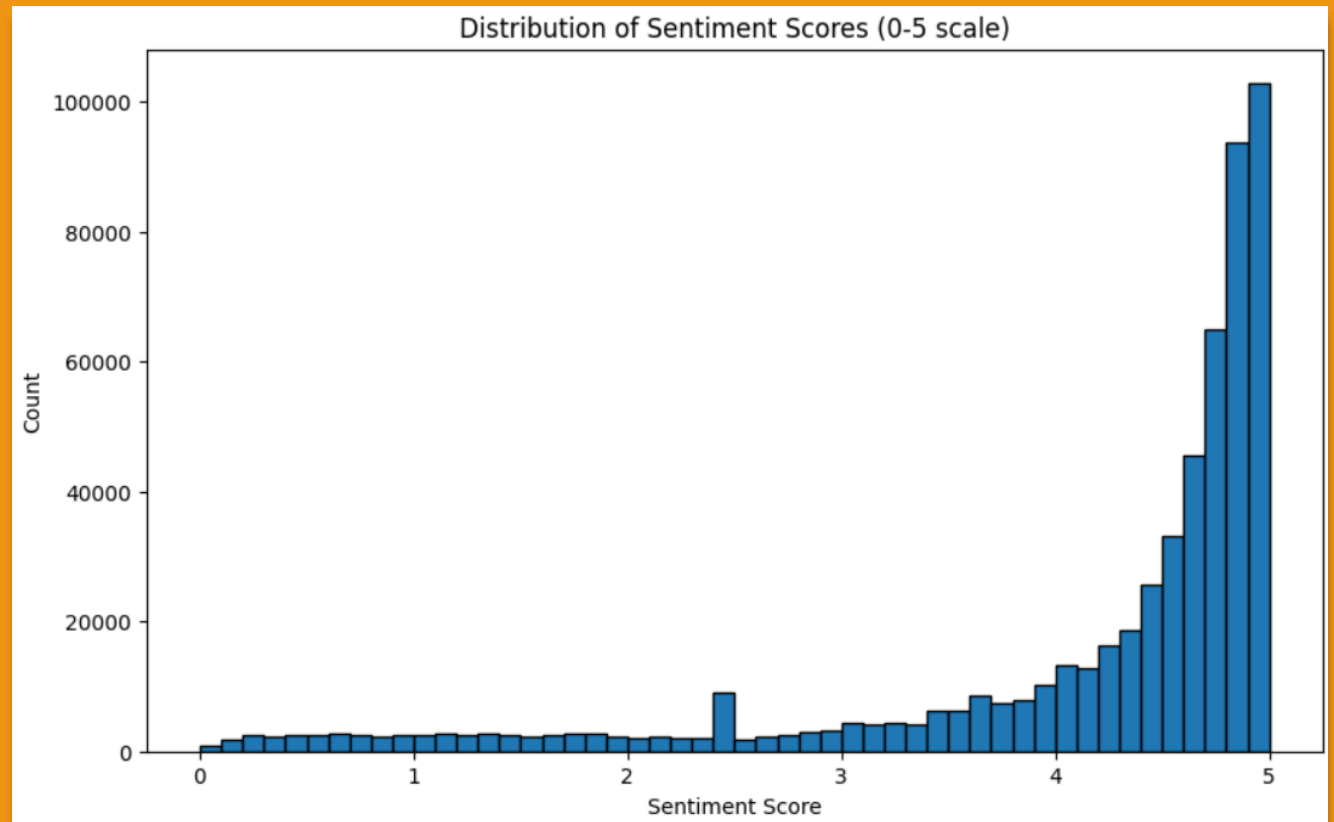
```
1 # Apply sentiment analysis to the 'Text' column
2 df['sentiment_score'] = df['Text'].apply(get_scaled_sentiment_scores)
3 print("\nSentiment analysis completed.")
4 print("\nFirst few rows with sentiment scores:")
5 print(df[['Text', 'Score', 'sentiment_score']].head())
```

Sentiment analysis completed.

First few rows with sentiment scores:

| | Text | Score | sentiment_score |
|---|---|-------|-----------------|
| 0 | I have bought several of the Vitality canned d... | 5 | 4.86025 |
| 1 | Product arrived labeled as Jumbo Salted Peanut... | 1 | 1.08400 |
| 2 | This is a confection that has been around a fe... | 4 | 4.53450 |
| 3 | If you are looking for the secret ingredient i... | 2 | 3.60100 |
| 4 | Great taffy at a great price. There was a wid... | 5 | 4.86700 |

Code Explanation - Plotting New Sentiment Scores Assigned



```
1 # Plot the distribution of sentiment scores
2 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
3 plt.hist(df['sentiment_score'], bins=50, edgecolor='black')
4 plt.title('Distribution of Sentiment Scores (0-5 scale)')
5 plt.xlabel('Sentiment Score')
6 plt.ylabel('Count')
7 plt.show()
```


Code Explanation

- Linear Regression Model Creation and Training

```
1 # Prepare data for linear regression
2 X = df[['sentiment_score']]
3 y = df['Score']
4
5 # Split the data into training and testing sets
6 X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
7 print("\nData split into training and testing sets.")
8 print(f"Training set shape: {X_train.shape}")
9 print(f"Testing set shape: {X_test.shape}")
```

Data split into training and testing sets.
Training set shape: (454763, 1)
Testing set shape: (113691, 1)

```
1 # Create and train the linear regression model
2 model = LinearRegression()
3 model.fit(X_train, y_train)
4 print("\nLinear regression model trained.")
```

Linear regression model trained.

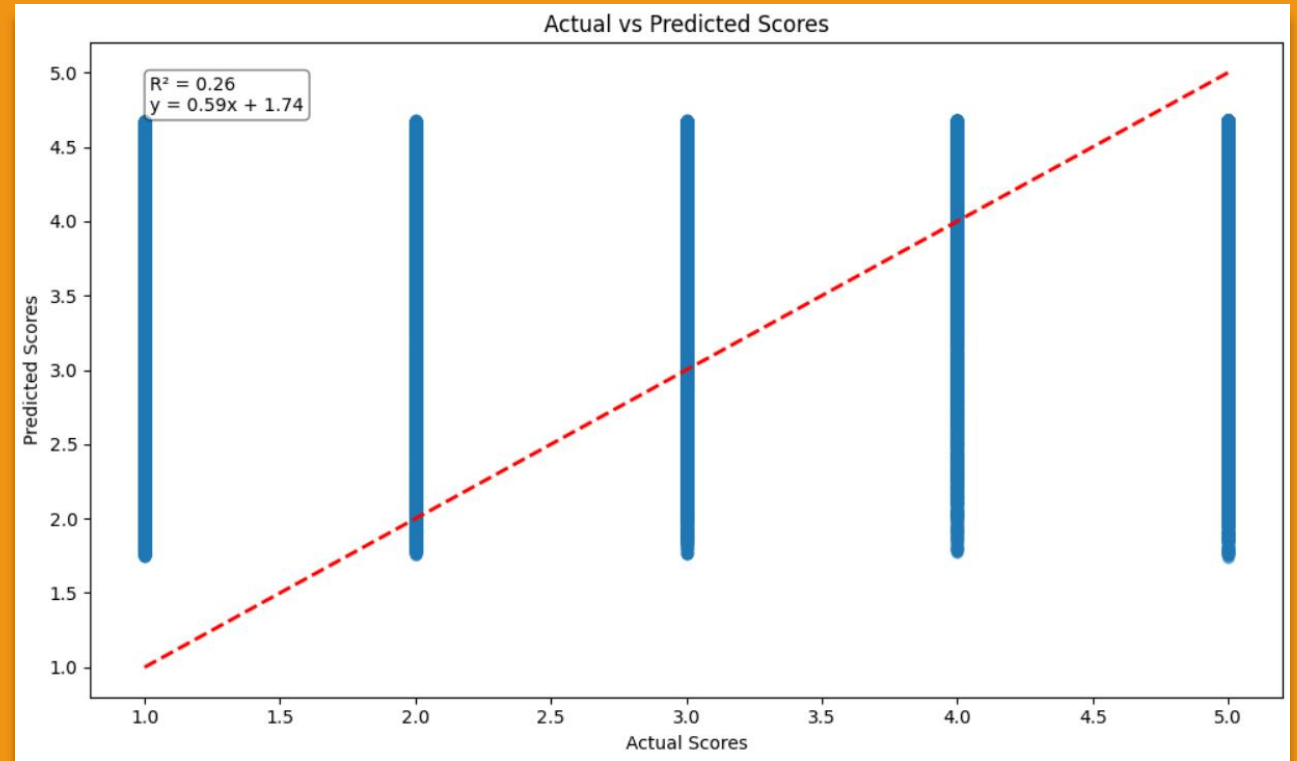
Code Explanation - Testing the Model

```
1 # Make predictions on the test set
2 y_pred = model.predict(X_test)
3
4 # Calculate metrics
5 mse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred)
6 r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
```

```
1 # Print results
2 print("\nModel Evaluation Results:")
3 print(f"Mean Squared Error: {mse}")
4 print(f"R-squared Score: {r2}")
5 print(f"Coefficient: {model.coef_[0]}")
6 print(f"Intercept: {model.intercept_}")
```

```
Model Evaluation Results:
Mean Squared Error: 1.25699554527318
R-squared Score: 0.2617878160408792
Coefficient: 0.5868822945182677
Intercept: 1.7430994456939959
```

Code explanation - Plotting the Regression Model



```
1 # Plot actual vs predicted scores
2 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
3 plt.scatter(y_test, y_pred, alpha=0.5)
4 plt.plot([y_test.min(), y_test.max()], [y_test.min(), y_test.max()], 'r--', lw=2)
5 plt.xlabel('Actual Scores')
6 plt.ylabel('Predicted Scores')
7 plt.title('Actual vs Predicted Scores')
8 plt.tight_layout()
9 plt.show()
```


Code Results - Linear Regression Results

The linear regression model produced a **Mean Squared Error (MSE)** of 1.26, indicating the average squared difference between predicted and actual review scores. An **R-squared score** of 0.26 shows that 26% of the variability in the review scores is explained by the sentiment analysis model. The **coefficient (0.59)** suggests that for each unit increase in the sentiment score, the review score increases by 0.59 on average, while the **intercept (1.74)** represents the baseline review score when the sentiment score is zero.

Model Evaluation Results:

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```

Key Takeaways

Model Accuracy: The linear regression model achieved an R-squared score of 0.26, explaining 26% of the variance in review scores, and a Mean Squared Error (MSE) of 1.26.

Sentiment Prediction: Sentiment analysis using VADER provides an effective means of predicting sentiment from customer reviews, assigning scores that correlate with actual review ratings.

Sentiment Analysis: VADER successfully identifies positive, negative, and neutral sentiments in fine food reviews, offering valuable insights into customer opinions.

Model Limitations: While the model explains some variability, there is room for improvement in predicting actual review scores more accurately.

Further Developments: Enhancing the model with more advanced techniques (e.g., deep learning or additional features) could improve predictive accuracy and provide deeper insights into customer sentiment.

Business Impact: The findings can guide business decisions by helping identify key factors influencing customer satisfaction and dissatisfaction.

Challenges Faced

Sentiment Classification Accuracy: Ensuring that the VADER sentiment analysis correctly interprets nuanced language and context in reviews, as sarcasm or ambiguous language can affect sentiment prediction.

Model Generalization: The linear regression model might overfit or underfit, as it only explains a portion (26%) of the variance in review scores, indicating the need for more robust modeling techniques.

Scalability: Processing and analyzing such a large dataset (500,000 reviews) may require significant computational resources and efficient data handling strategies.

Sentiment Bias: Bias in sentiment prediction could arise from the nature of the reviews themselves (e.g., overly positive or negative reviews), which may not represent the general customer sentiment accurately.

Future Prospects



Enhanced Sentiment Analysis: Incorporating advanced natural language processing (NLP) techniques, such as deep learning models (e.g., BERT or GPT), could improve sentiment classification accuracy and handle more complex expressions.



Predictive Modeling: Expanding the model to predict review scores more accurately based on additional features (e.g., user demographics, product categories) could offer more granular insights.



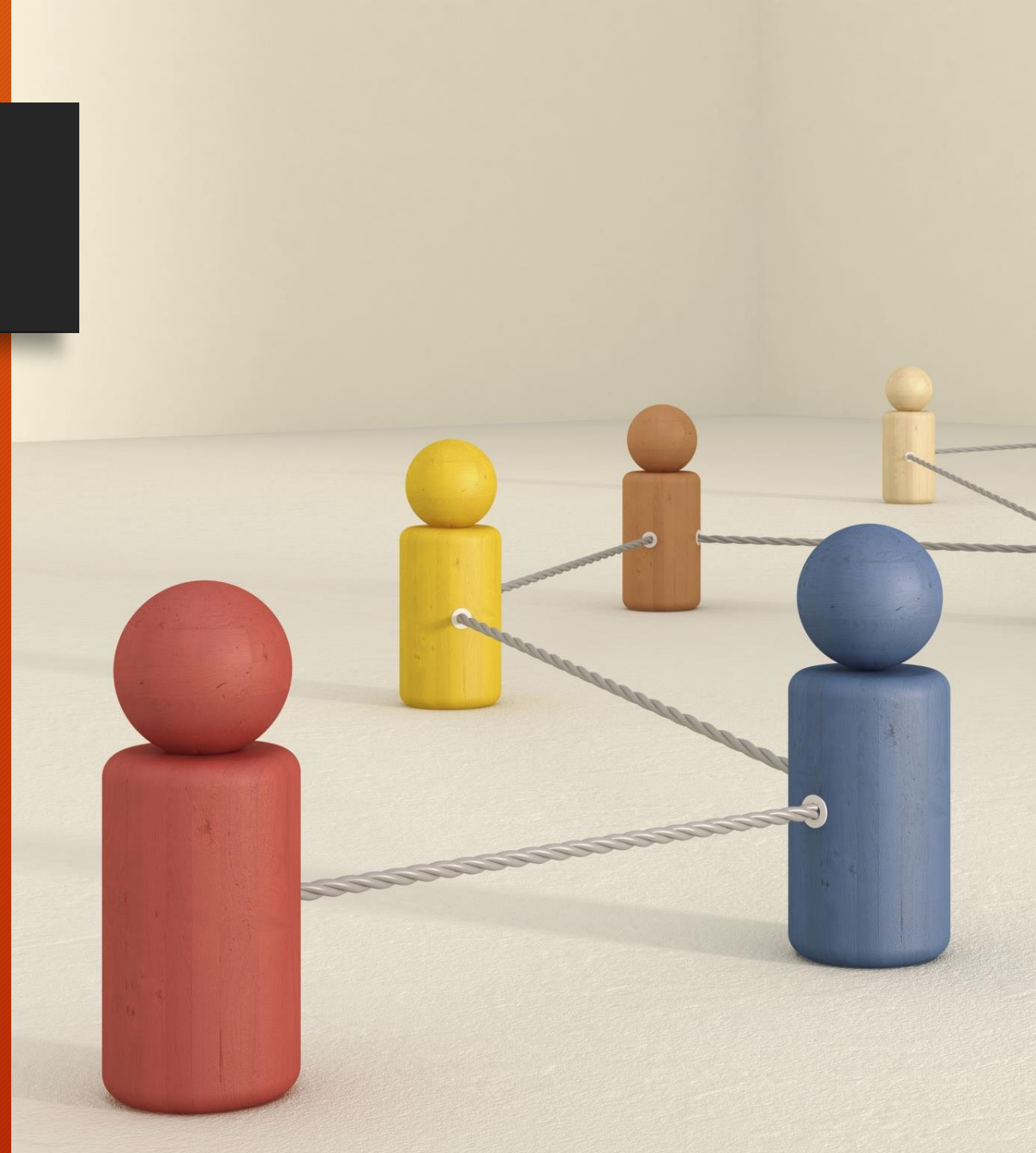
Multilingual Analysis: Extending sentiment analysis capabilities to multiple languages would allow businesses to analyze reviews across different regions, enabling global market insights.



Automated Customer Insights: Using sentiment data to automatically generate reports or alerts for product managers, helping them identify emerging trends or issues faster.

Conclusion

In conclusion, this project demonstrates the power of sentiment analysis and linear regression in understanding customer feedback. By leveraging VADER for sentiment classification and linear regression for model validation, we can gain valuable insights into customer sentiments and their relationship with product reviews. Future advancements in model accuracy and real-time analysis can further enhance decision-making, providing businesses with the tools to stay ahead of market trends.



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