Twitter Hate
Speech Detection

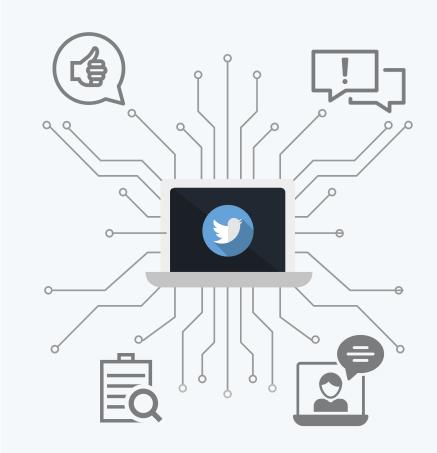
Can Content Moderation be Automated?

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Overview

- 2019 Verge article exposed Facebook's former content moderation contractor
- Automating this process could reduce labor exploitation
- What is Hate Speech?



CRISP-DM Process







Analysis



Data Cleaning and NLP **Preprocessing**







Modeling



Evaluation and **Insights**



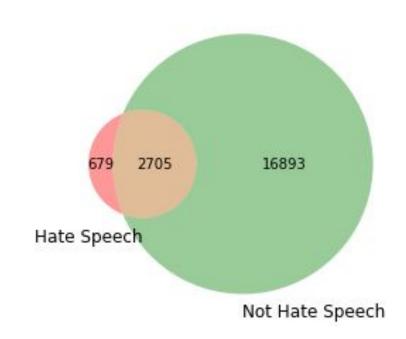




Data Understanding

Sourced from 2017 Cornell University **research study**.

- **24,802** Tweets
- Vocabulary of 20,277 unique words
 - 6% Hate Speech
 - 94% Not Hate Speech
- Evaluation Metric: F1 Score



Business Questions



What are the linguistic differences between hate speech and offensive language?



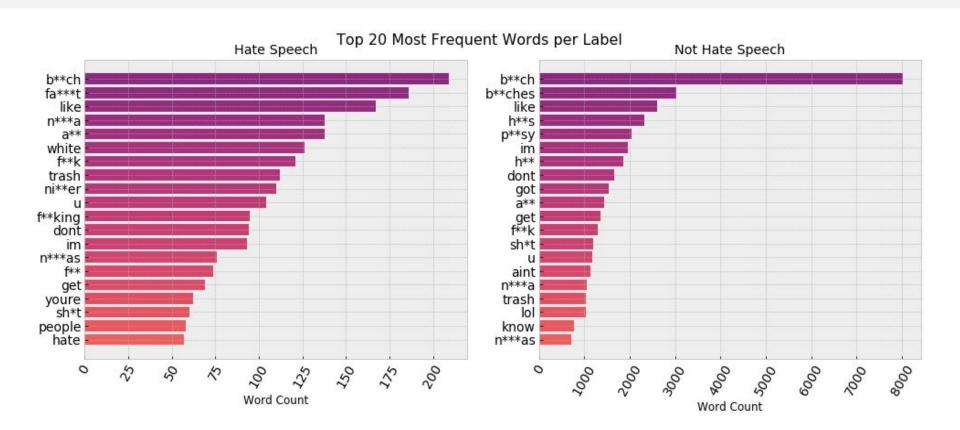


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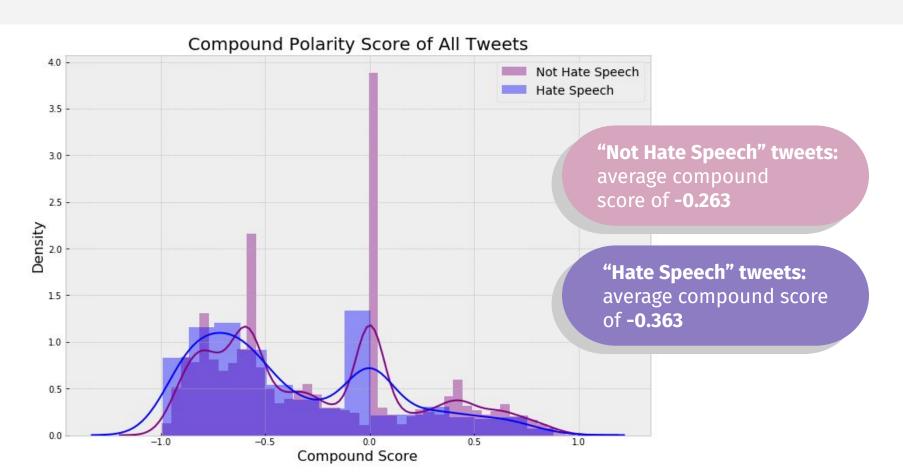


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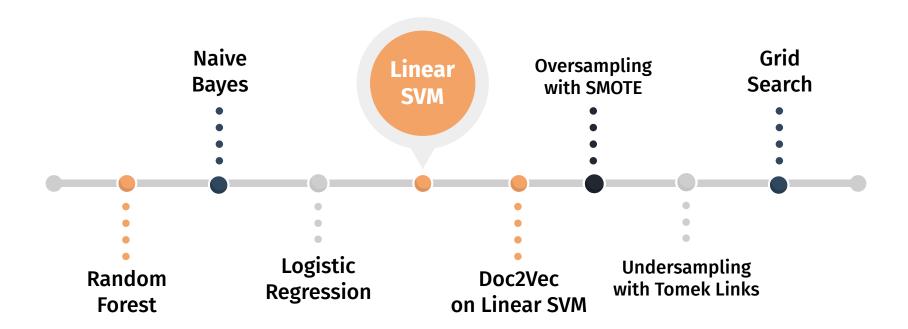




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Modeling Process



Final Model Analysis

Linear SVM Classifier

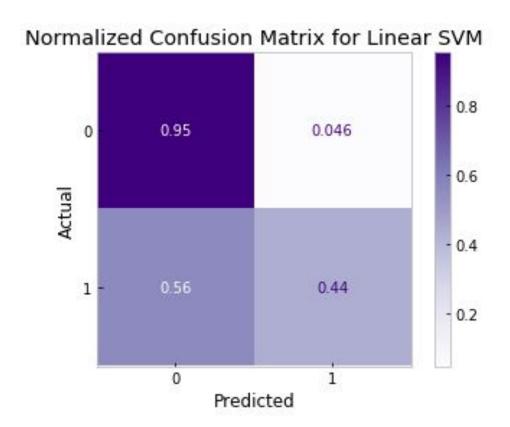
F1 Score: 0.3955

Recall: 0.437

High **True Negative** Rate

Low **False Positive** Rate

Moderate **True Positive** Rate

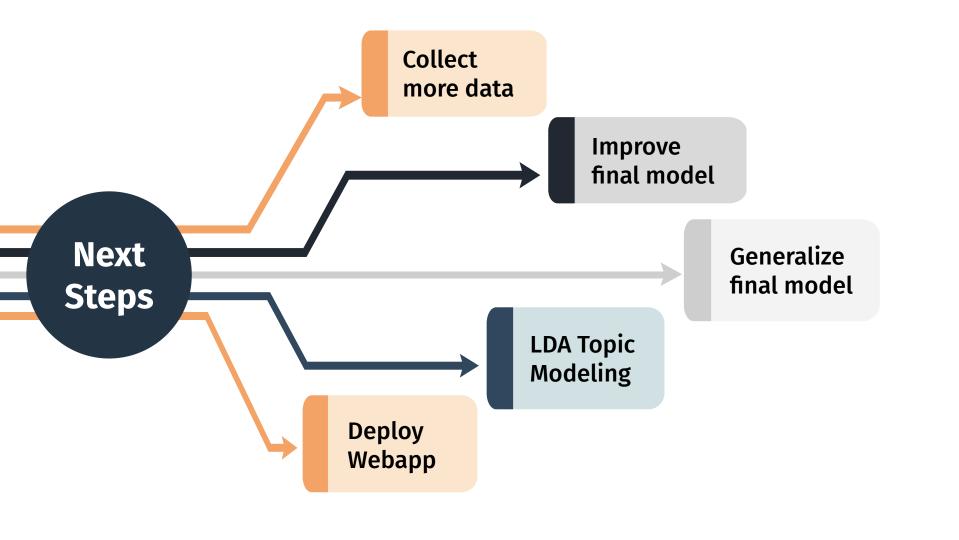


Conclusion

Two major roadblocks:

- 1. Massive class imbalance
- Model's ability to "understand" hate speech





Thank You!



GitHub Repository

https://github.com/sidneykung/twitter_hate_speech_detection



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