

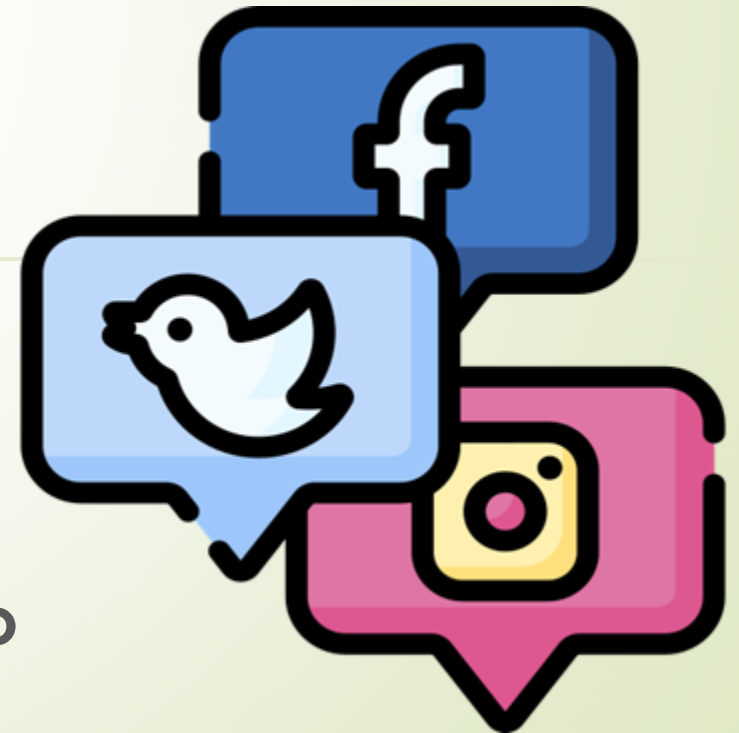
Exploring the effectiveness of combined lightweight models in the detection of mental health disorders

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The importance of early detection



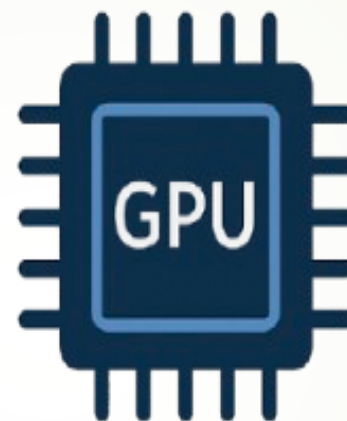
Social media contains valuable traces of people's emotional and behavioral expressions.

Analyzing these posts may help recognize patterns potentially related to mental health risks.

Limitations of current models

Several works have adopted BERT-based models for the detection of mental health conditions.

Limitations of large language models



High resource
consumption



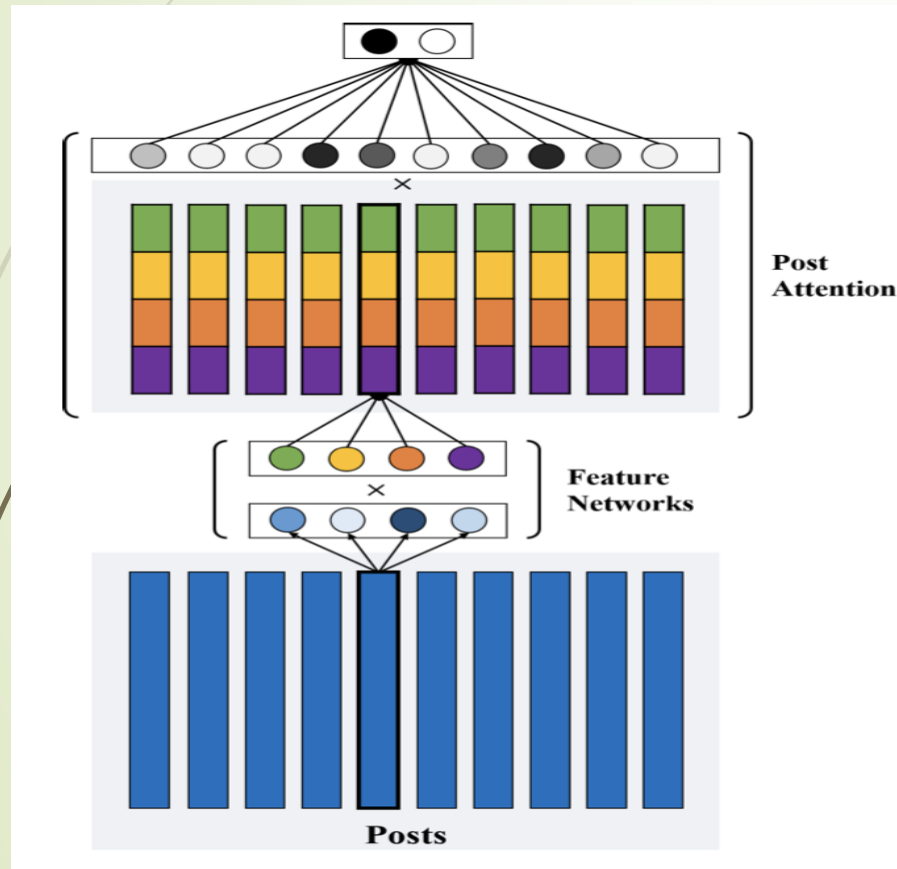
Time-
consuming



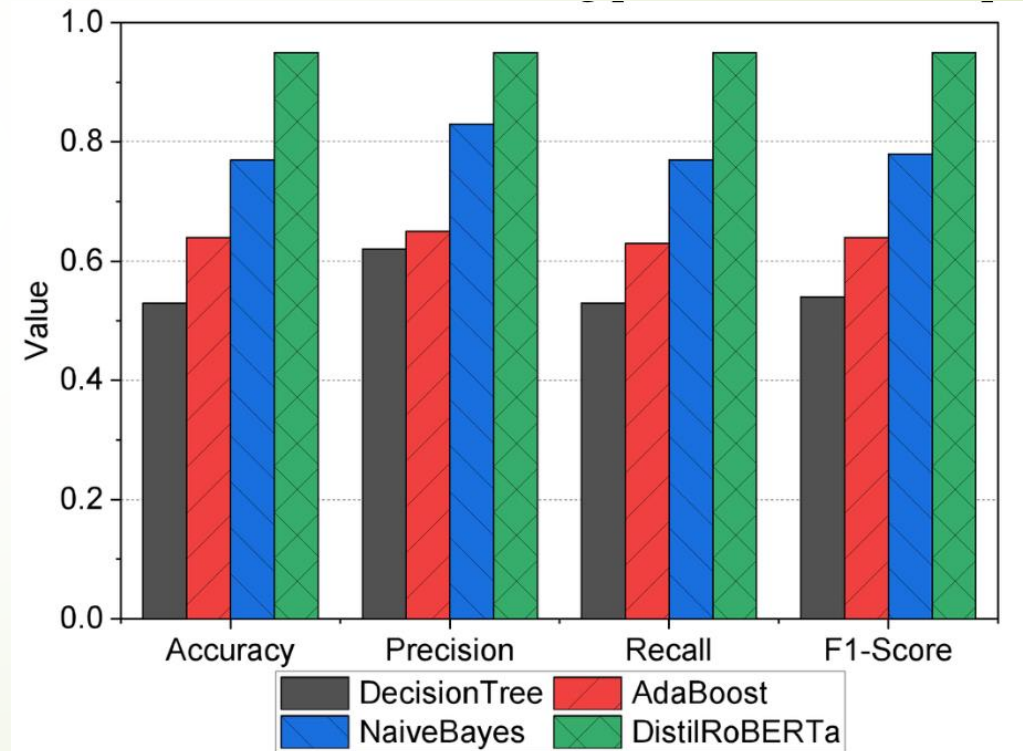
Complex to
interpret

Related Work

Feature Attention Network (FAN) (Song et al., 2018):



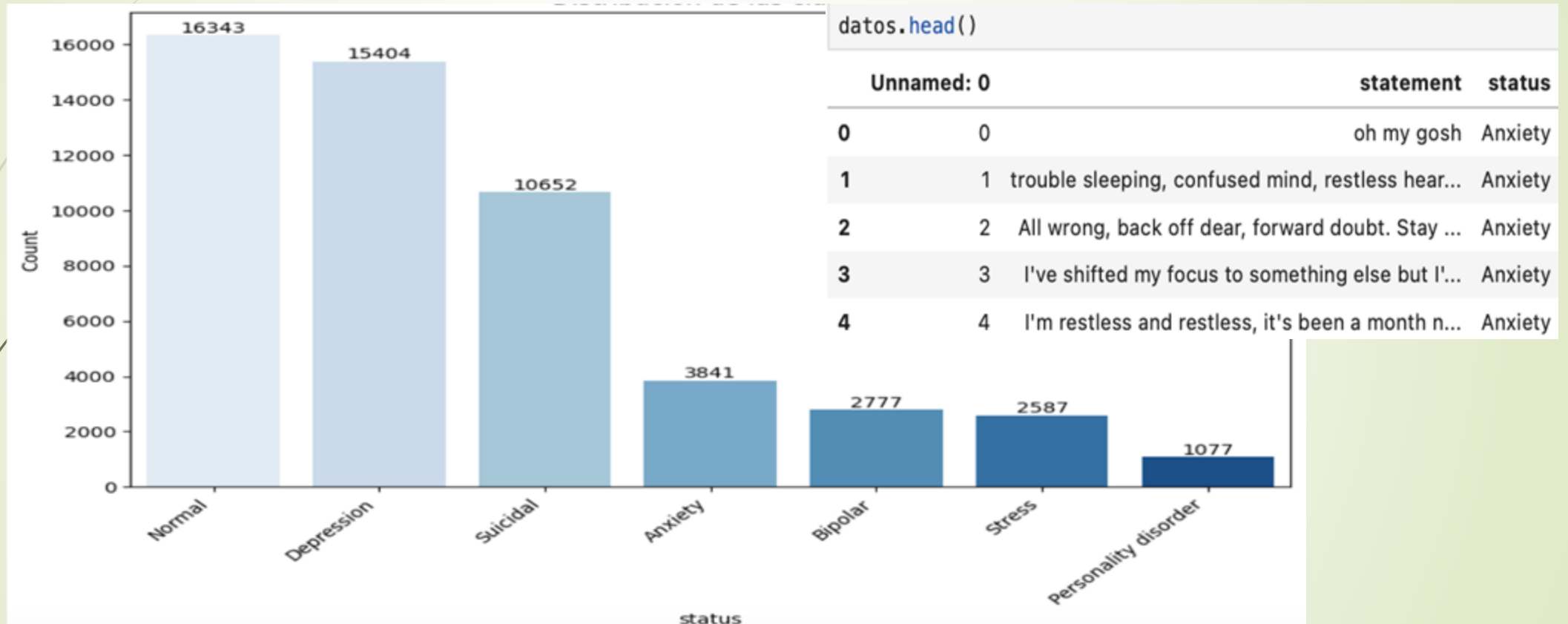
Transformer-based models (DistilRoBERTa) (Zhao et al., 2024):



Our proposal

Dataset used

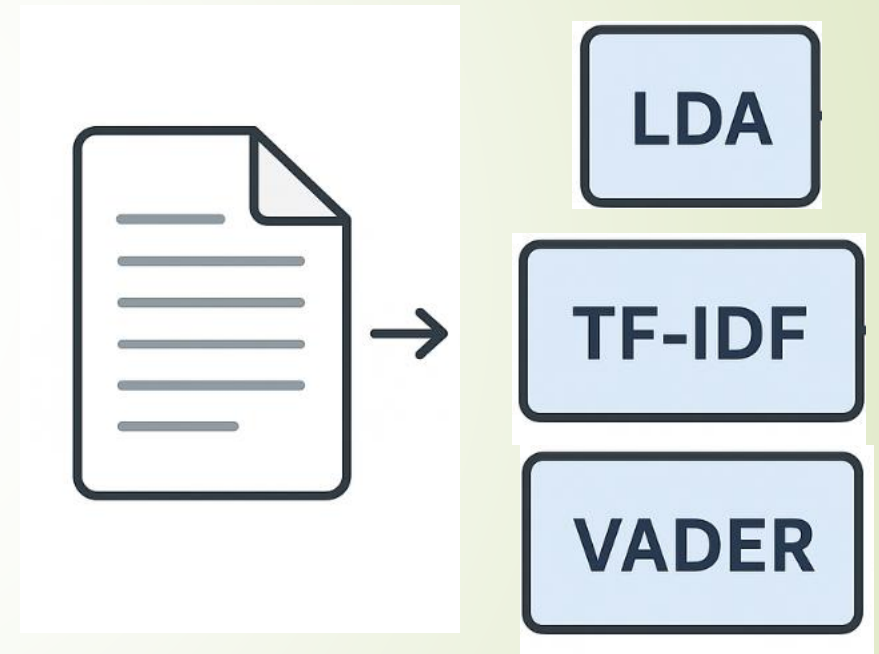
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Suchintika Sarkar. **Sentiment Analysis for Mental Health Dataset*** Kaggle.
Disponibile en: [<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/suchintikasarkar/sentiment-analysis-for-mental-health/data>]

Feature extraction

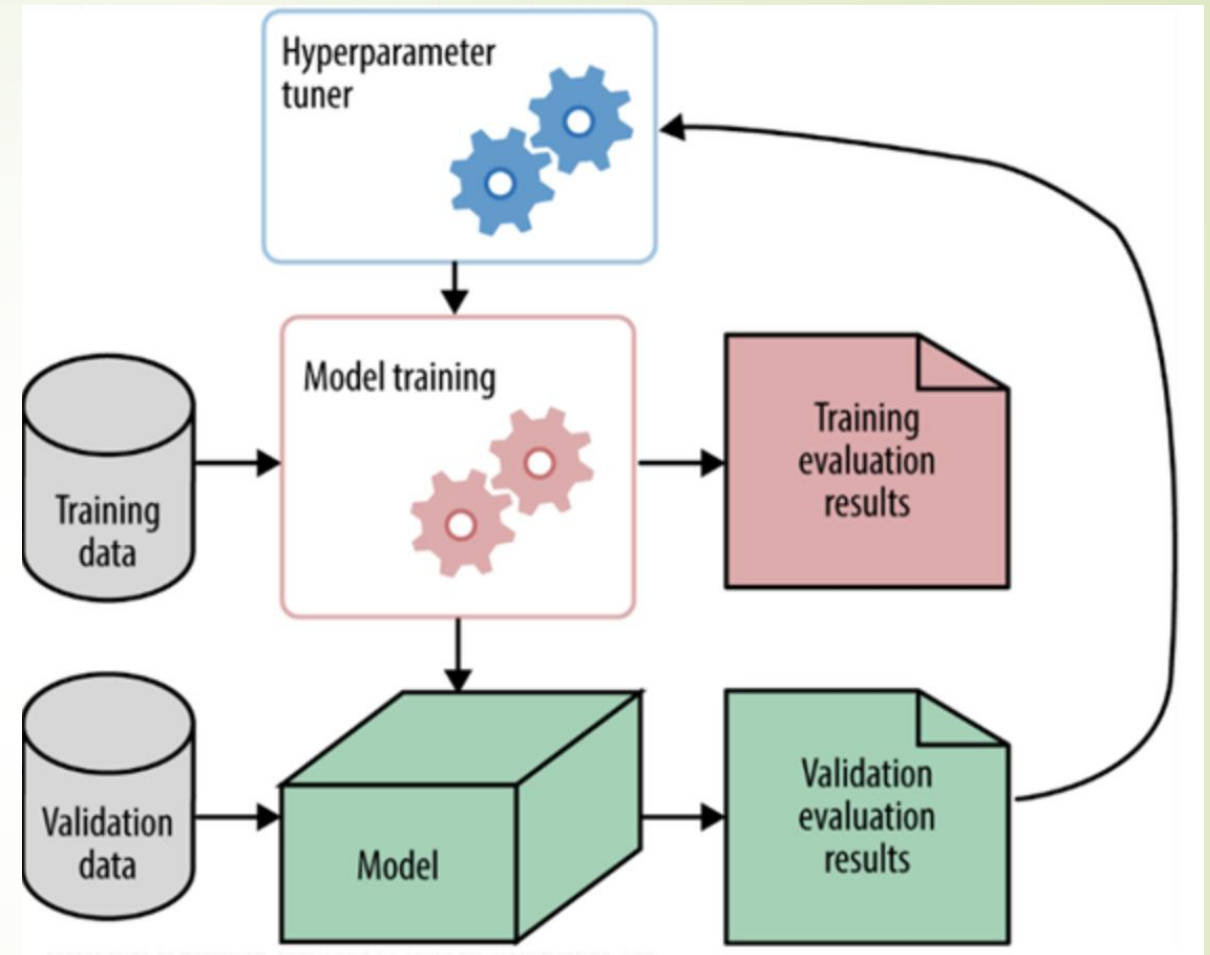
- **VADER**: Analyzes sentiment.
- **TF-IDF**: Captures word relevance in each document's context.
- **LDA**: Extracts latent topics present in the text.



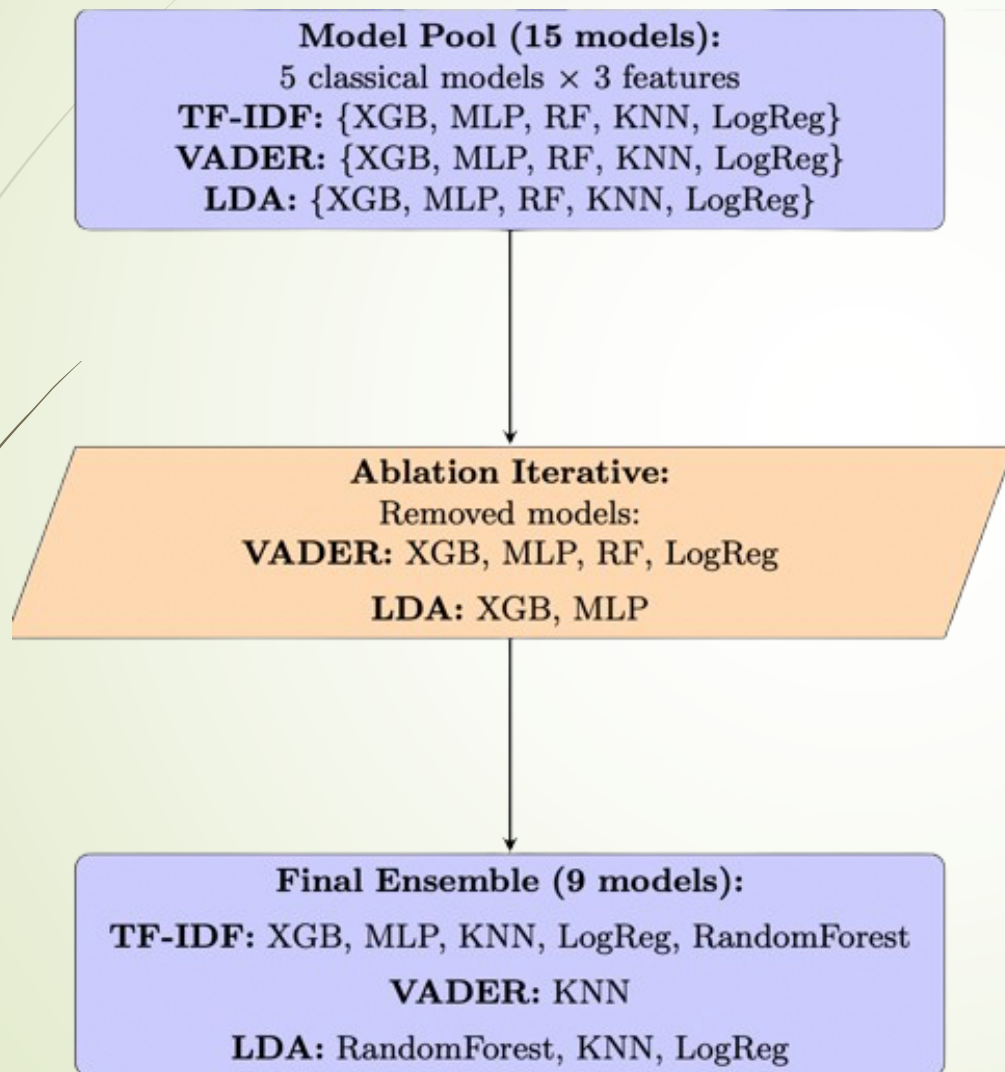
Base models

- Logistic Regression
- K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN)
- Random Forest
- Gradient Boosting
- Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)

Each model “sees” the text differently.



Ablation and Weighted Model Combination



Model	Weight
XGB_TFIDF	0.2913
MLP_TFIDF	0.2372
RandomForest_LDA	0.194
KNN_VADER	0.0855
KNN_LDA	0.0849
KNN_TFIDF	0.0618
LogReg_TFIDF	0.0439
RandomForest_TFIDF	0.001
LogReg_LDA	0.0005

Ensemble performance evaluation

Metrics used:

Model	F1 Macro (avg)	Time (min)	Memory (MB)	Processing
DistilRoBERTa	78.32 %	25.6	2,608.63	GPU
Our proposal	70.3 %	6.02	501.92	CPU
Base proposal	64.6 %	3.5	182.21	CPU

Platform	CPU Model	Physical Cores	Logical Cores	Frequency	GPU
Colab (with CPU)	Intel Xeon virtualized	1	2	2.2 GHz	No
Colab (with GPU)	Intel Xeon @ 2.2GHz	1	2	2.2 GHz	Tesla T4

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`torch.cuda.max_memory_allocated()` for GPU (VRAM)
`psutil.Process().memory_info().rss` for CPU (RAM)

Not all models see the same

Models are complementary because each captures different aspects.

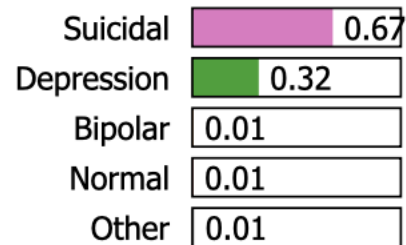
LIME evidence — both correct

LIME shows that each model focuses on different words or topics.

Correct label: Suicidal

mlp + lda =>
Suicidal

Prediction probabilities

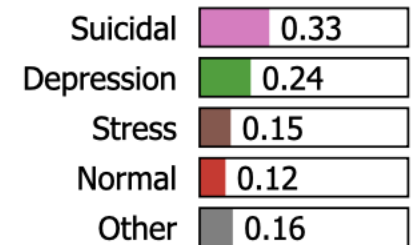


Text with highlighted words

i am so **fucking** **tired** i have gotten diagnosed with **bpd** a few months ago and its made how i feel and why i feel that way a lot clearer to me but it does not make me **want** to end it any less i have been failing in life and **loosing** all of my friends and i just cannot take it **anymore** i really **want** to **fucking** **kill** myself i am so **tired** thinking of **ending** it

knn + vader
=> **Suicidal**

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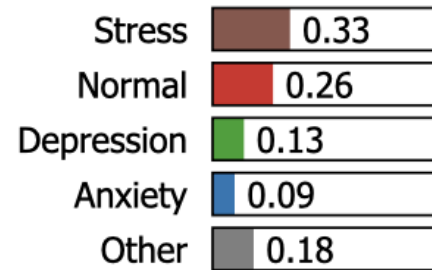
LIME evidence — only one correct

Even when models focus on similar words, they may classify differently.

Correct label: Normal

mlp + lda => Stress

Prediction probabilities

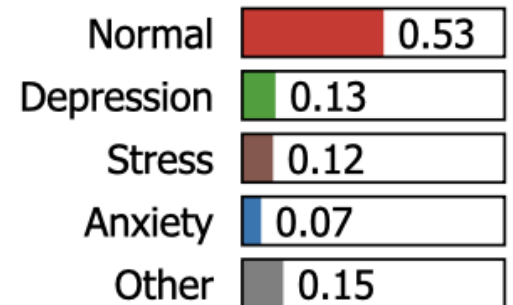


Text with highlighted words

things were so good again just like the beginning then the yelling comes back i got really sick and had to go to the hospital and he refused to come and visit me when i was home he told me i was dense for expecting him to come hang out with me when i have such a **deadly** disease it was mrsa and not that **deadly**

logistic regression + lda => Normal

Prediction probabilities



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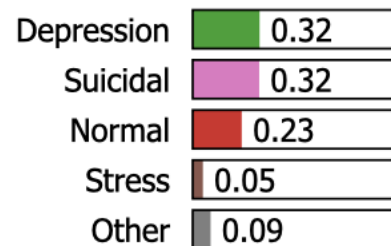
LIME evidence — both incorrect

Even when models focus on similar words, they may still fail.

Correct label: Suicidal

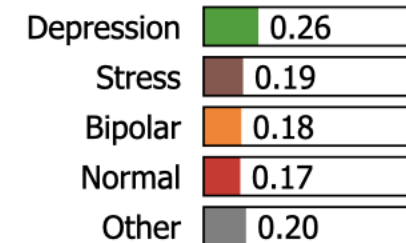
Random forest +
tfidf =>
Depression

Prediction probabilities



knn + vader =>
Depression

Prediction probabilities



Text with highlighted words

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What we learned from this work

- Lightweight models capture complementary linguistic features.
- Ensemble reduces time and computational cost.
- Interpretability remains fully accessible.
- Combining multiple linguistic techniques improves performance



Next steps and research directions



- Incorporate additional linguistic features (domain-specific lexicons)
- Explore alternative ensemble methods
- Evaluate the approach on larger and diverse datasets

Before closing...



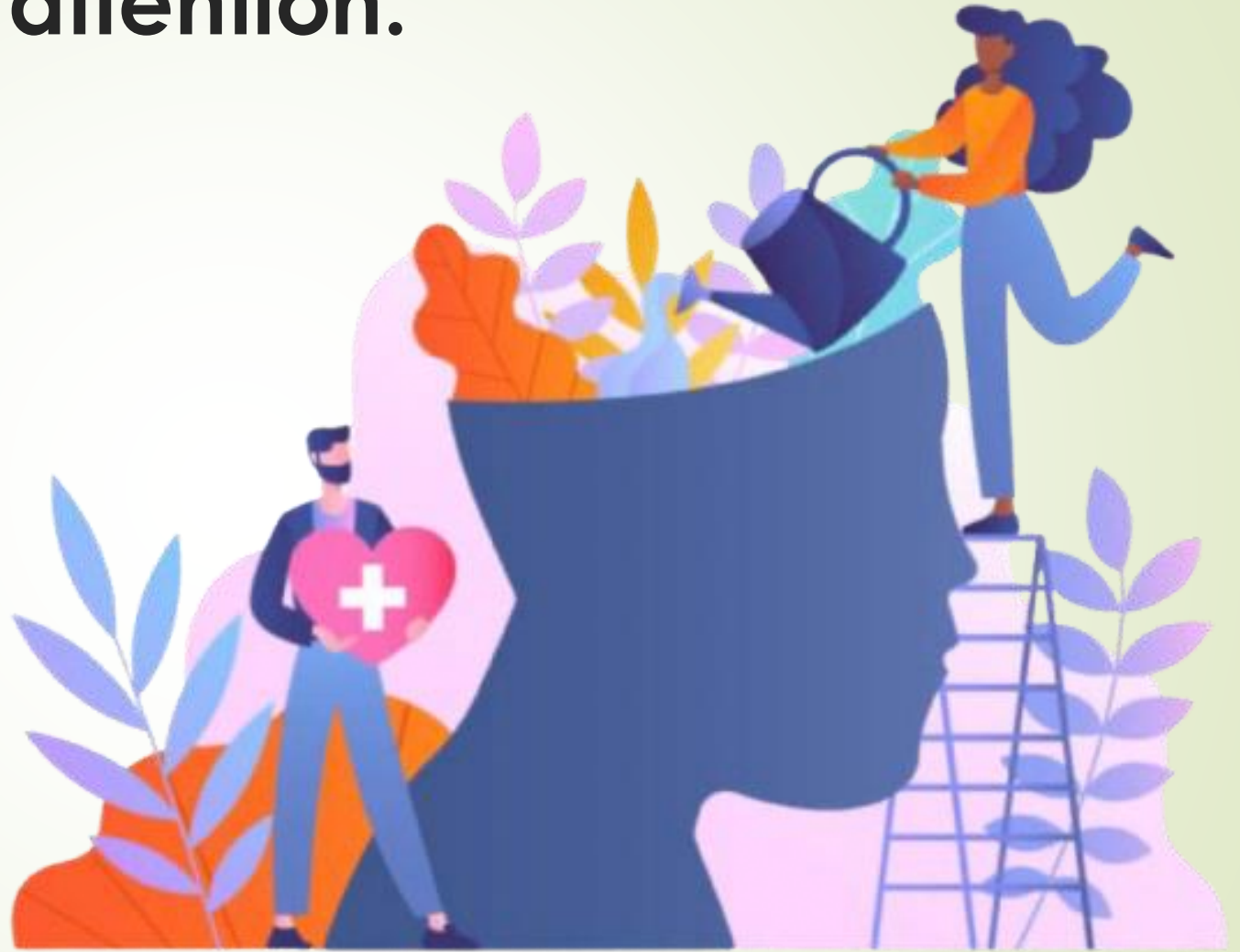
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Thank you for your attention.

Project materials
available online:

[https://github.com/Rob
erhp/SCAI_presentation](https://github.com/Rob
erhp/SCAI_presentation)



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