

# blockchain\_feelings

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## 1 The Feelings of the Blockchain

When you read a news article, normally the headline is the hook to continue reading. However, a negative title could lead you to skip reading an article if you don't want to be in a bad mood. But is this accurate?

On this activity you are tasked to corroborate if a news title with a negative sentiment leads or not to a negative content. You will use VADER sentiment to accomplish this work using the news articles that you previously download on *The Voice of the Blockchain* activity.

```
[1]: # Initial imports
from path import Path
import pandas as pd
import nltk
from nltk.sentiment.vader import SentimentIntensityAnalyzer

get_ipython().run_line_magic("matplotlib", "inline")
```

### 1.1 Instructions

Just for convenience download the `vader_lexicon` in order to initialize the VADER sentiment analyzer

```
[2]: # Download/Update the VADER Lexicon
nltk.download("vader_lexicon")

# Initialize the VADER sentiment analyzer
analyzer = SentimentIntensityAnalyzer()
```

```
[nltk_data] Downloading package vader_lexicon to
[nltk_data] /Users/Andrew/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package vader_lexicon is already up-to-date!
```

#### 1.1.1 Load the News Articles from the CSV File as a DataFrame

Pick the CSV file you created on *The Voice of the Crisis* activity and load it as a DataFrame, remember to specify the `encoding='utf-8-sig'` parameter.

```
[3]: # Load news from CSV file
file_path = Path("Data/blockchain_news_en_fr.csv")
news_df = pd.read_csv(file_path, encoding="utf-8-sig")
news_df.head()
```

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[3]:
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|   | title \   |  | description \                                     |  | text  | date       | language |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|------------|----------|
| 0 | Hedge Fund Manager Horizon Kinetics Expands Th... |  | Core Scientific announced yesterday that the h... |  | Bitcoin cryptocurrency representation is seen ... | 2020-07-02 | en       |
| 1 | Global Blockchain Technology Industry - GlobeN... |  | Global Blockchain Technology Market to Reach U... |  | New York, July 10, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Re... | 2020-07-10 | en       |
| 2 | Blockchain Bites: Digital Dollars, Ethereum's ... |  | Thought leaders are decending on Washing to ta... |  | Australia's stock exchange may delay its block... | 2020-06-30 | en       |
| 3 | Deloitte's 2020 Global Blockchain Survey: Near... |  | Now in its third year, Deloitte's "Global Bloc... |  | Leaders are increasingly investing in blockcha... | 2020-06-16 | en       |
| 4 | Binance Gives Back: How The World's Largest Cr... |  | Binance Charity launches a "fully transparent"... |  | The pandemic has changed the world as we know ... | 2020-06-25 | en       |

The VADER sentiment module is only trained to score sentiment on English language, so create a new DataFrame only with news in English. You will learn how to score sentiment in multiple languages later.

```
[4]: # Fetch only English news
news_en_df = news_df[news_df["language"] == "en"]
news_en_df.head()
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### 1.1.2 Calculating VADER Sentiment Score for News Titles and Text

As you know the `compound` score could be used to get a normalized score for a sentiment, in this section you have to create a function called `get_sentiment(score)` that will return a normalized value of sentiment for the `score` parameter based on the rules you learn. This function should return 1 for positive sentiment, -1 for negative sentiment, and 0 for neutral sentiment.

```
[5]: # Sentiment calculation based on compound score
def get_sentiment(score):
    """
    Calculates the sentiment based on the compound score.
    """
    result = 0 # Neutral by default
    if score >= 0.05: # Positive
        result = 1
    elif score <= -0.05: # Negative
        result = -1

    return result
```

Use the the VADER sentiment module from NLTK to score the sentiment of every news article title and text in english; you should append ten new columns to the English news DataFrame to store the results as follows.

- Title's compound score
- Title's positive score
- Title's neutral score
- Title's negative score
- Title's normalized score (using the `get_sentiment()` function)
- Text's compound score
- Text's positive score
- Text's neutral score
- Text's negative score
- Text's normalized score (using the `get_sentiment()` function)

```
[6]: # Sentiment scores dictionaries
title_sent = {
    "title_compound": [],
    "title_pos": [],
    "title_neu": [],
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        "title_neg": [],
        "title_sent": [],
    }
    text_sent = {
        "text_compound": [],
        "text_pos": [],
        "text_neu": [],
        "text_neg": [],
        "text_sent": [],
    }

    # Get sentiment for the text and the title
    for index, row in news_en_df.iterrows():
        try:
            # Sentiment scoring with VADER
            title_sentiment = analyzer.polarity_scores(row["title"])
            title_sent["title_compound"].append(title_sentiment["compound"])
            title_sent["title_pos"].append(title_sentiment["pos"])
            title_sent["title_neu"].append(title_sentiment["neu"])
            title_sent["title_neg"].append(title_sentiment["neg"])
            title_sent["title_sent"].
            →append(get_sentiment(title_sentiment["compound"]))

            text_sentiment = analyzer.polarity_scores(row["text"])
            text_sent["text_compound"].append(text_sentiment["compound"])
            text_sent["text_pos"].append(text_sentiment["pos"])
            text_sent["text_neu"].append(text_sentiment["neu"])
            text_sent["text_neg"].append(text_sentiment["neg"])
            text_sent["text_sent"].append(get_sentiment(text_sentiment["compound"]))
        except AttributeError:
            pass

    # Attaching sentiment columns to the News DataFrame
    title_sentiment_df = pd.DataFrame(title_sent)
    text_sentiment_df = pd.DataFrame(text_sent)
    news_en_df = news_en_df.join(title_sentiment_df).join(text_sentiment_df)

    news_en_df.head()

```

```

[6]:
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```

```

      title_compound  title_pos  title_neu  title_neg  title_sent  text_compound \
0           0.4404      0.231      0.769         0.0           1           0.0000
1           0.0000      0.000      1.000         0.0           0           0.0000
2           0.0000      0.000      1.000         0.0           0          -0.3182
3           0.4215      0.128      0.872         0.0           1           0.3612
4           0.4767      0.181      0.819         0.0           1           0.3400

```

```

      text_pos  text_neu  text_neg  text_sent
0          0.000      1.000      0.000          0
1          0.000      1.000      0.000          0
2          0.000      0.931      0.069         -1
3          0.099      0.901      0.000          1
4          0.057      0.943      0.000          1

```

### 1.1.3 Analyzing Sentiments Results

How the sentiment of the title and the text differs on news articles?

To answer this question, on this section you will create a bar chart contrasting the normalized sentiment for the title and the text of each news article. Use the build-in `plot()` method of the Pandas DataFrame to create a bar chart like the one bellow. Be aware that you chart might differ from this one due to is made from a different news DataFrame.

```

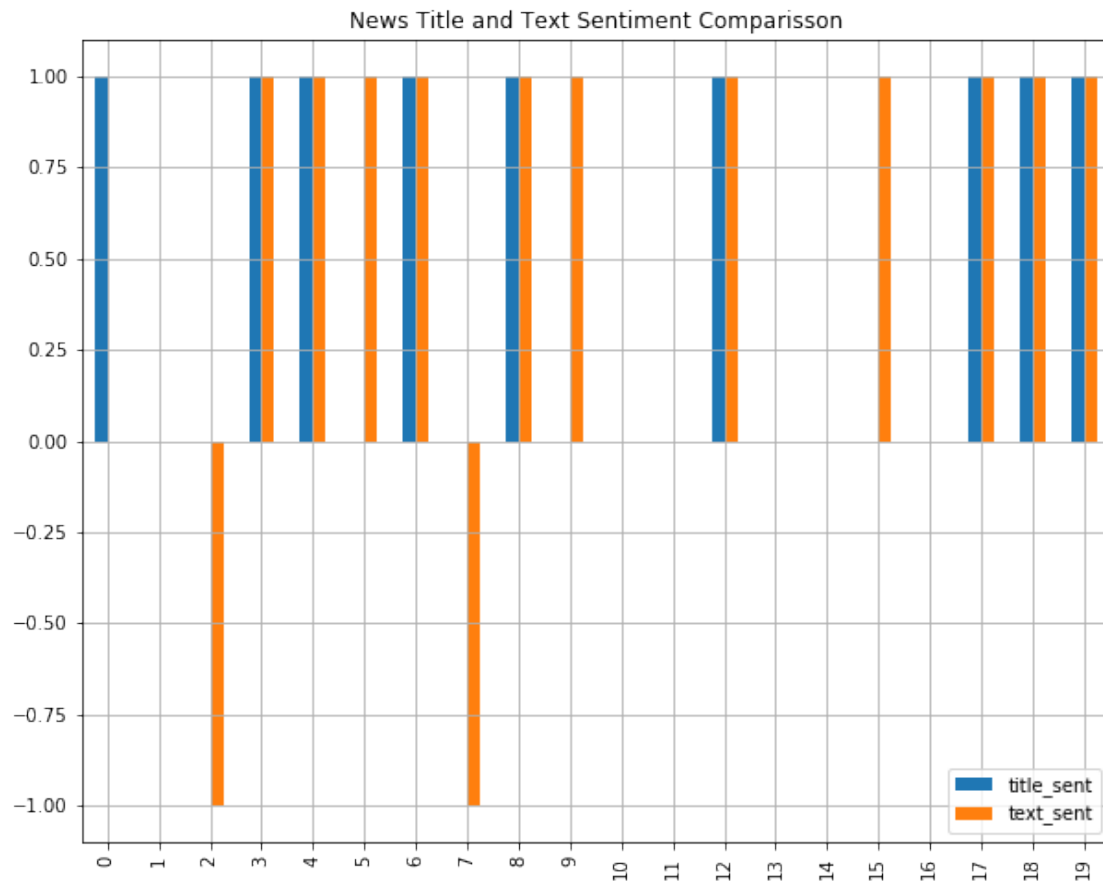
[7]: # Plot bar chart
news_en_df.plot(
    y=["title_sent", "text_sent"],
    kind="bar",
    title="News Title and Text Sentiment Comparisson",
    figsize=(10, 8),
    grid=True,
)

```

```

[7]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1a1c5c0a50>

```



Finally get the descriptive statistics from the English news DataFrame and discuss the analysis results with your partners.

```
[8]: # Describe dataframe
news_en_df.describe()
```

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[8]:
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|       | title_compound | title_pos | title_neu | title_neg | title_sent | \ |
|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|---|
| count | 20.000000      | 20.00000  | 20.00000  | 20.0      | 20.000000  |   |
| mean  | 0.214150       | 0.08305   | 0.91695   | 0.0       | 0.450000   |   |
| std   | 0.269250       | 0.10424   | 0.10424   | 0.0       | 0.510418   |   |
| min   | 0.000000       | 0.00000   | 0.72100   | 0.0       | 0.000000   |   |
| 25%   | 0.000000       | 0.00000   | 0.82950   | 0.0       | 0.000000   |   |
| 50%   | 0.000000       | 0.00000   | 1.00000   | 0.0       | 0.000000   |   |
| 75%   | 0.426225       | 0.17050   | 1.00000   | 0.0       | 1.000000   |   |
| max   | 0.735100       | 0.27900   | 1.00000   | 0.0       | 1.000000   |   |

|       | text_compound | text_pos  | text_neu  | text_neg  | text_sent |
|-------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| count | 20.000000     | 20.000000 | 20.000000 | 20.000000 | 20.000000 |
| mean  | 0.222300      | 0.067900  | 0.916750  | 0.015350  | 0.450000  |
| std   | 0.314711      | 0.072375  | 0.080301  | 0.031725  | 0.686333  |

|     |           |          |          |          |           |
|-----|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| min | -0.318200 | 0.000000 | 0.768000 | 0.000000 | -1.000000 |
| 25% | 0.000000  | 0.000000 | 0.883500 | 0.000000 | 0.000000  |
| 50% | 0.295700  | 0.062500 | 0.931500 | 0.000000 | 1.000000  |
| 75% | 0.371375  | 0.107750 | 1.000000 | 0.000000 | 1.000000  |
| max | 0.890800  | 0.232000 | 1.000000 | 0.085000 | 1.000000  |