OH SNAP! REDDIT PROJECT

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DATA SCIENCE PROBLEM?

How can we scrape reddit data and use NLP classification to train a model that is able to differentiate between two subreddits.?

Subreddits chosen:

r/thanosdidnothingwrong and r/inthesoulstone.

Using push shift api, I was able to scrape 36983 reddit posts.

thanosdidnothingwrong 20,000 posts (54%)

Inthesoulstone

16983 posts (46%)

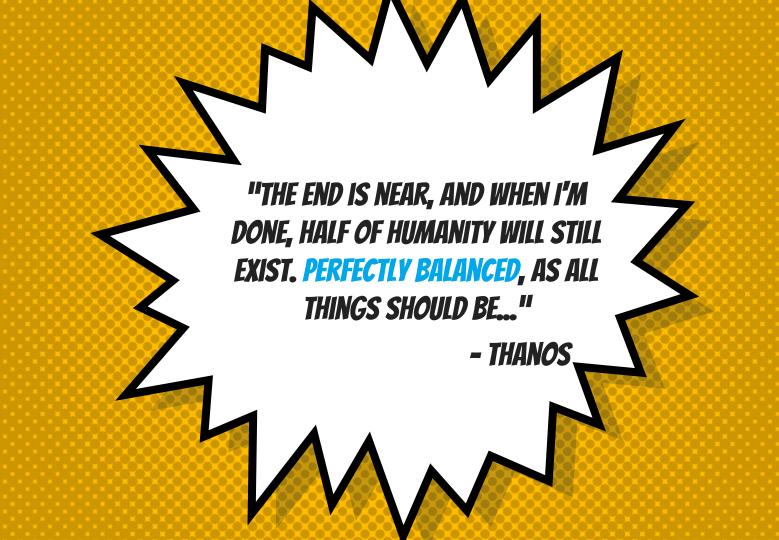


THANOS

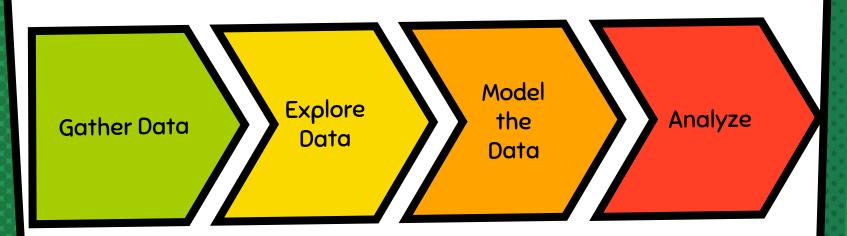
WHY THESE TWO SUBREDDITS?

- On July 9th the subreddit thanosdidnothingwrong held an event to mimic and reenact a scene from the movie Avengers: Infinity War
- In the movie, Thanos brought balance to the universe and wiped out half of the population.
- To try and recreate this event moderators and Reddit admins allowed a mass ban to take place. (The largest ban in Reddit history)

350,000 REDDITORS BANNED



DATA WORKFLOW



Train Test Split > Setting up the models > Pipeline and used Gridsearch

MODEL

Types of Models used:

Count Vectorizer & TFIDF Random Forest

Logistic Regression AdaBoost

Pipeline with a gridsearch to optimize hyperparameters

Scores:

Logistic Regression training score = 78.73% Logistic Regression training score = 65.73%

Random Forest training score = 76.99% Random Forest testing score = 65.78%

Ada Boost training score = 65.78%

Ada Boost testing score = 64.71%

Ex: min_df=1, ngram_range=(1,2)

stop_words=None, strip_accents='unicode'

LOGISTIC REGRESSION MODEL PREDICTIONS

Specificity = 78%

Subreddit	Predicted inthesoulstone	Predicted thanosdidnothingwrong
Actual inthesoulstone	2852	2753
Actual thanosdidnothingwrong	1431	5169
Precision = 66%		Sensitivity = 50%

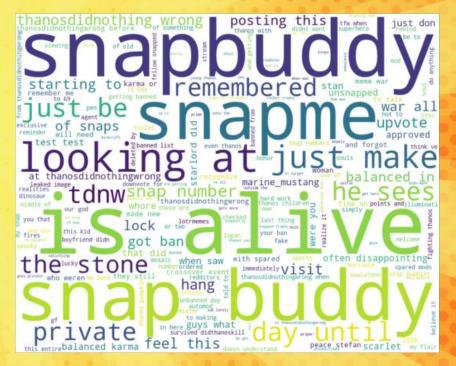
Accuracy = 65%

WORD CLOUDS

THANOSDIDNOTHINGWRONG

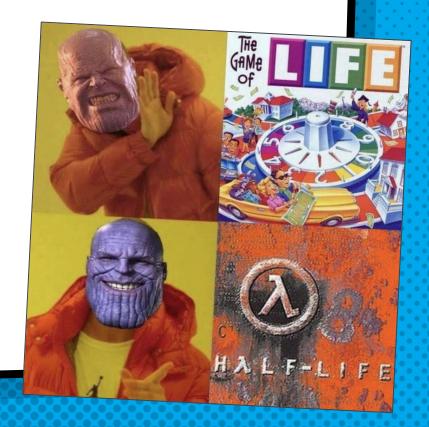


INTHESOULSTONE



FINAL THOUGHTS

- These two subreddits are very similar. Both are focused on the Marvel universe, a lot of the posts are memes!
- If I had more time I would have liked to apply NLTK to my model.
- Also I believe looking at different timeframes for the data being used heavily impacts these subreddits





ANY QUESTIONS?