



Analyzing & Classifying Subreddits

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Agenda



- Goal and potential use cases
- Data collection and subreddit title text decomposition
- Polarity analysis
- Model comparison
- Conclusion and recommendations

Goal and Potential Use Cases

Goal:

- Perform exploratory analysis and classification of **chess**, **poker** subreddits
- Identify words and phrases that could be used in targeted advertisement

Use case:

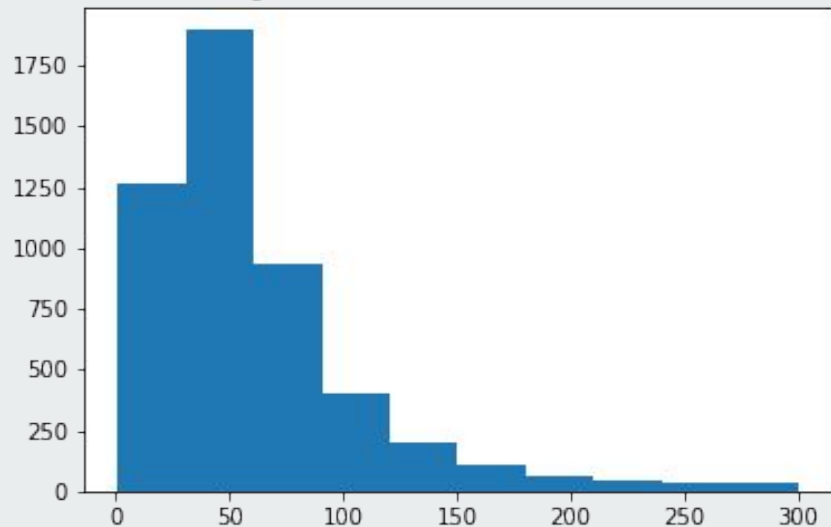
- Use results of the analysis in targeted ads by online chess servers, chess classes, poker cardrooms (e.g. chess.com, pokerstars)



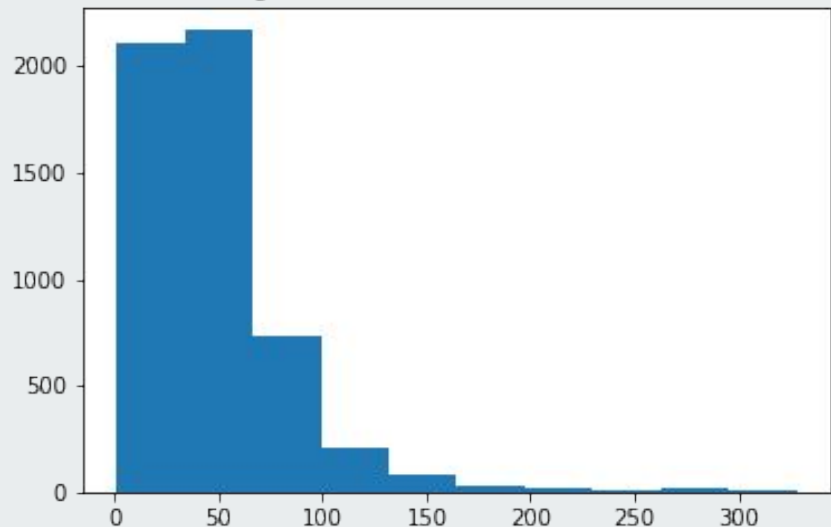
Subreddit Text Decomposition



Title Length Distribution within Chess Subreddit



Title Length Distribution within Poker Subreddit

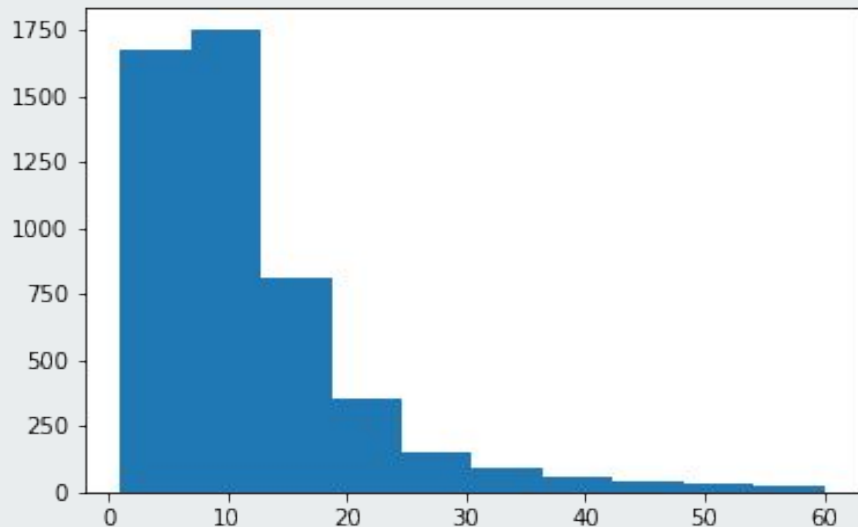


- Titles in the **chess subreddit** are 62 characters long on average
- Compared to 49 characters long in the **poker subreddit**

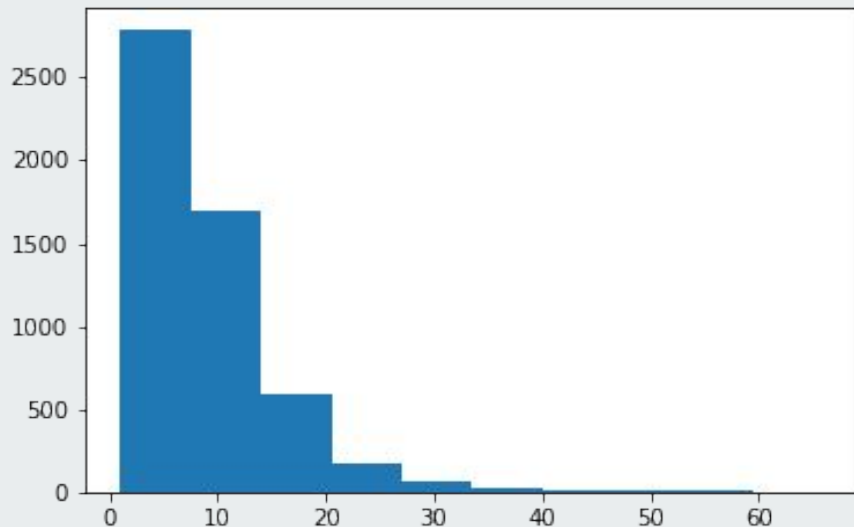
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Distribution of Words within Chess Subreddit






Distribution of Words Within Poker Subreddit



- In the **chess subreddit**, most titles contain 1-11 words
- Majority of the titles in the **poker subreddit** are 1-6 words long

Chess Subreddit: Most Common Words

- 'chess' most used word
- Circled words repeat in the **poker** subreddit:

 game
 play
 best
 playing

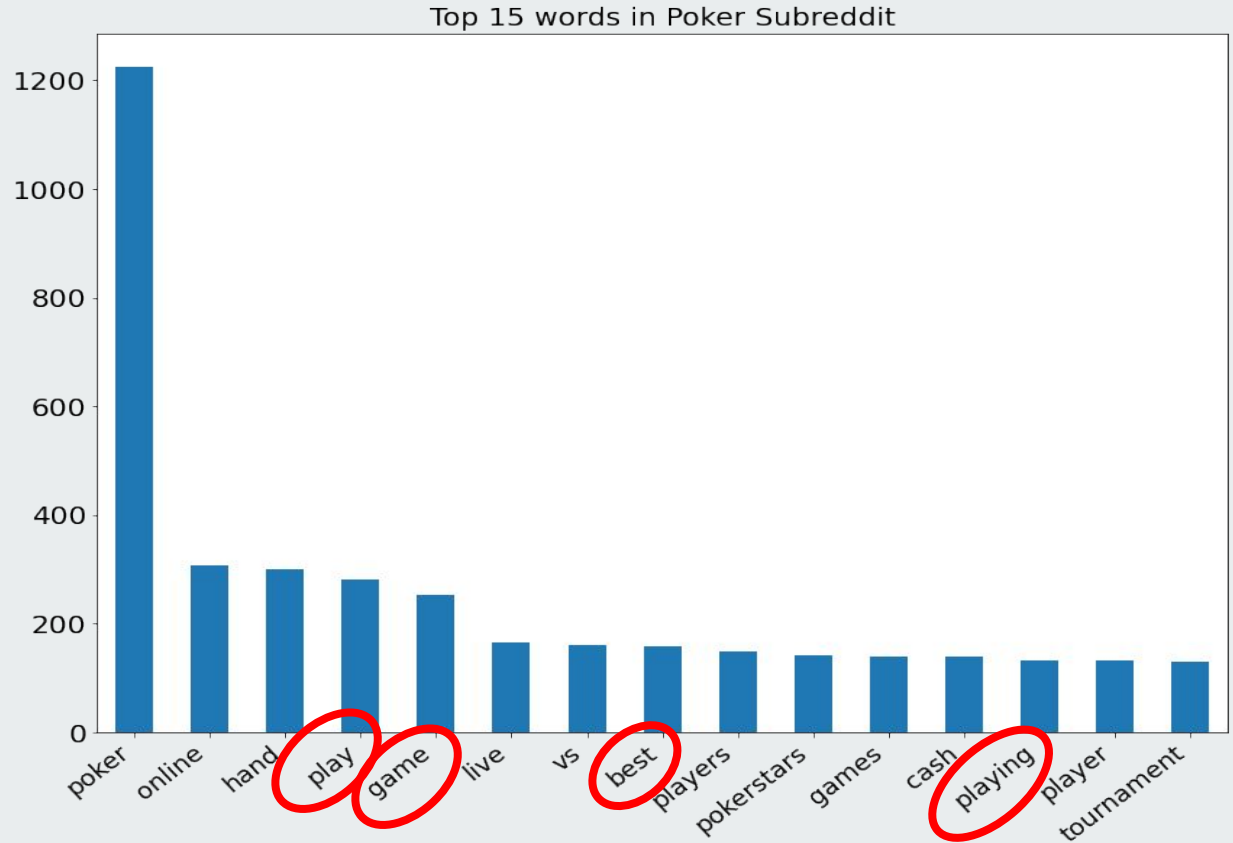


Poker Subreddit: Most Common Words

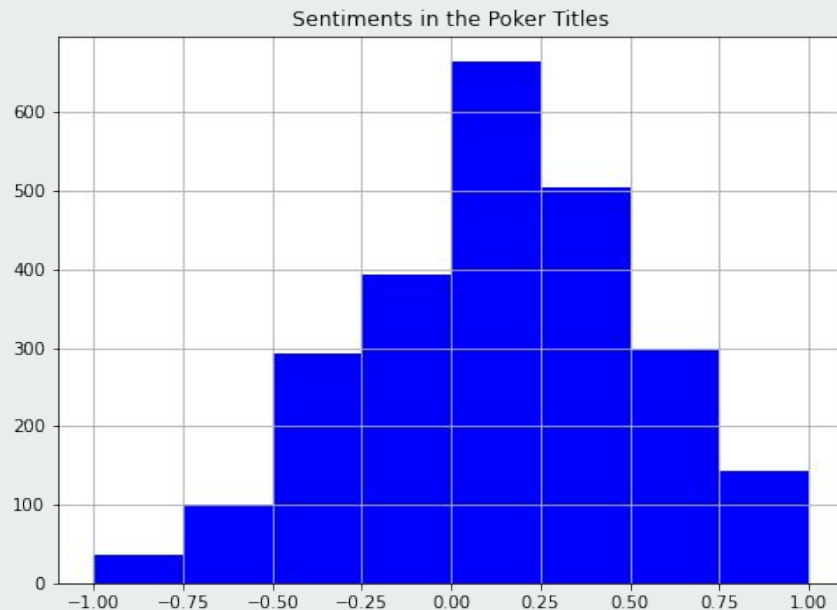
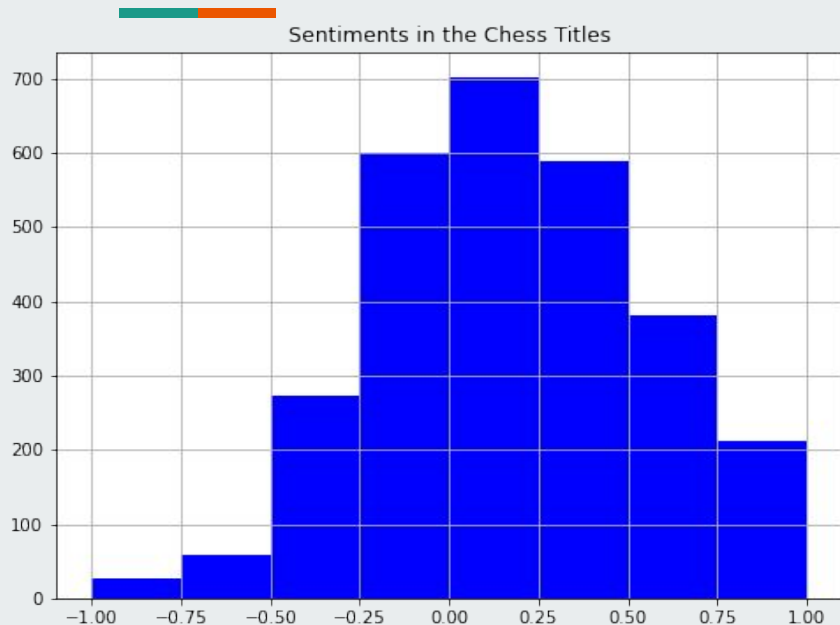
- 'poker' most used word

- Familiar words from chess subreddit:

- game
- play
- best
- playing



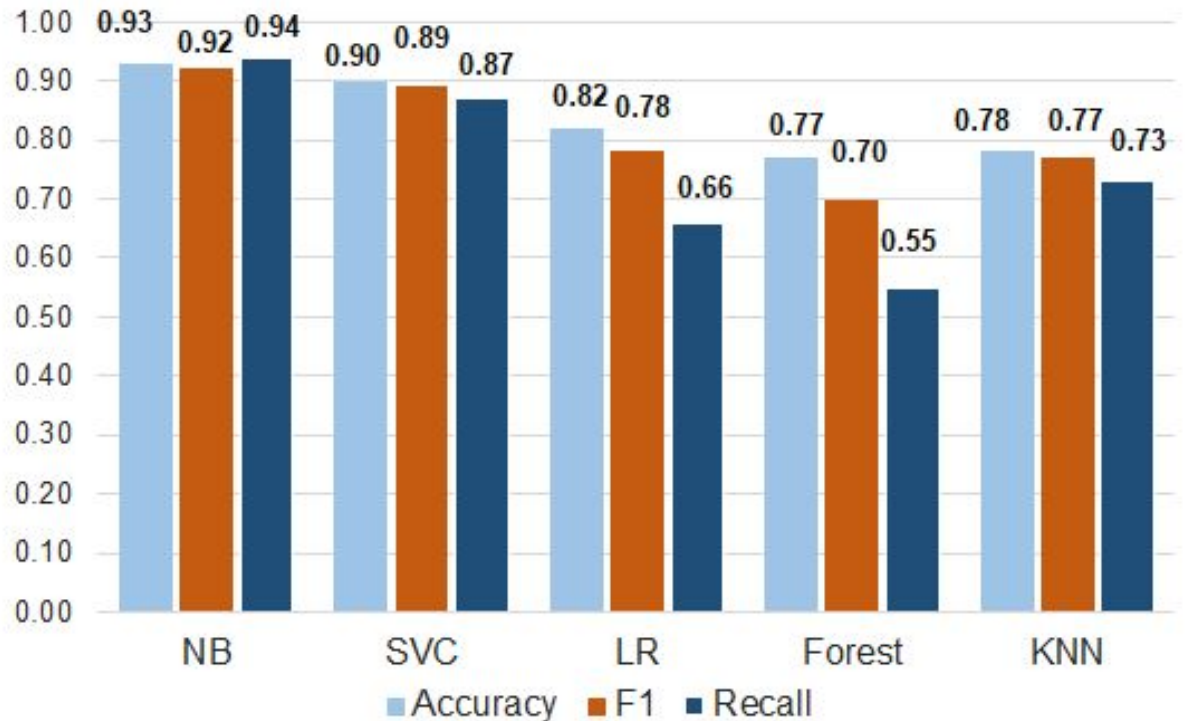
Polarity Comparison



- In the **chess subreddit**, mean polarity score is 0.16
- On average, 0.12 polarity for **poker subreddit**

Model Comparison

- Naive Bayes with Lemmatizer worked best
- Random Forest overfit on Accuracy, F1, Recall
- Logistic Regression and Random Forest models scored lowest on Recall (tp / (tp + fn))



Naive Bayes vs SVC



| Model | Accuracy | F1 Score | Recall | Best Parameters | Mean Fit Time | Coefficients |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|---------------|---|
| Lemmatizer Naïve Bayes | 0.96 (Train) | 0.96 (Train) | 0.97 (Train) | CV max featurese: 10, 000 CV ngram range: (1, 1) CV stop words: None NB alpha: 1 | 3.53 | chess move game white mate |
| | 0.93 (Test) | 0.92 (Test) | 0.94 (Test) | | | |
| CountVectorizer SVC | 0.96 (Train) | 0.95 (Train) | 0.92 (Train) | CV max features: 1,000 CV ngram range: (1, 1) CV stop words: None SVC C value: 1 SVC gamma : scale | 7.56 | Does not provide coefficient details |
| | 0.90 (Test) | 0.89 (Test) | 0.87 (Test) | | | |

Recommendations: Chess



Keywords search advertising

Bid on:

words:

- chess
- mate
- checkmate
- lichess
- moves

phrases:

- chess set
- new chess
- blitz game
- playing chess

Avoid:

words:

- game
- best
- playing
- play

Recommendations: Poker



Keywords search advertising

Bid on:

words:

- poker
- tournament
- pokerstars
- stakes
- hands

phrases:

- online poker
- live poker
- cash game
- bad bet

Avoid:

words:

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Future Research



- Build a neural network
- Include posts and comments as features
- Collect and add data from chess and poker blogs



Thank you!