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# Background

- Reddit is a prime source of data for performing analysis
- Rogue traders from r/WallStreetBets decided to take revenge on Wall Street hedge funds
- Rode GME to the moon.
- Wall Street and traditional day traders took a big blow
- GME stock increased by over 1100%





- Understand and calculate the sentiment of users towards the comments in the r/WallStreetBets subreddit regarding GME during January 2021.
- To create a network using Gephi based on posts and sentiment to get a better visual understanding.
- To analyze the most upvoted posts and important users to gather insight on how they affect the other users and the community. This data may be analyzed by companies such as RobinHood on a regular basis to prevent future stock closures and be prepared.





Scraping Data

Created Scraper Sentiment Analysis

Explored best model for our data

Visualize

Network
Creation
Using
Gephi

# Scraping Data



We built a Reddit scraper to scrape r/WallStreetBets and retrieve the features that we were interested in running our analysis i.e.

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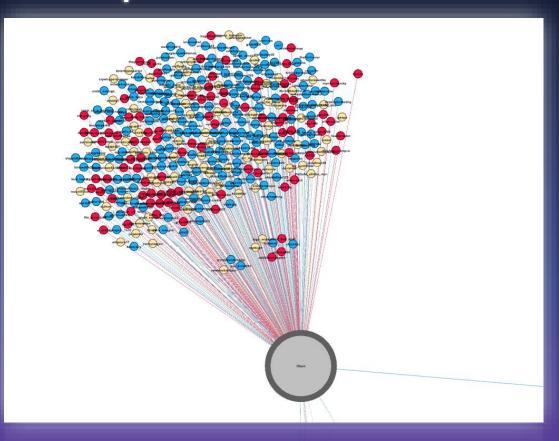
Three types of sentiment creation methods:

- 1. VADER sentiment analysis
- 2. TextBlob
- 3. VADER on words near 'GME'

	sentiment	sentblob	gmesentiment
submission			
kwpviw	0.110214	0.029226	0.010198
I2x7he	0.106789	0.025275	-0.004919
l4sg3u	0.052398	0.026119	0.002137
I4xje1	0.129493	0.046272	-0.001790
I5nphz	0.033925	0.014399	0.006742
Isaiv5	-0.031654	-0.002201	0.017498
lsgv43	0.132679	0.063093	0.001545
Isu313	0.030500	0.025400	0.000000
It7v4w	0.126013	0.038519	-0.001006
lu5dvw	0.121827	0.095342	0.000000

## Positive Sentiment - Popular Posts







sentiment1	negative	neutral	positive
submission			
l7iorh	126	140	227
Inqgz8	45	126	144
l97ykd	87	71	130

'Good night everyone. I love you all. I will most likely never meet you irl. Whatever happens, i will never forget this. 🧐 😉 👽 🛡 🛡 🛡 🛡 🖫 🥴 🛱 🦸

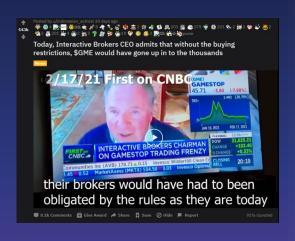
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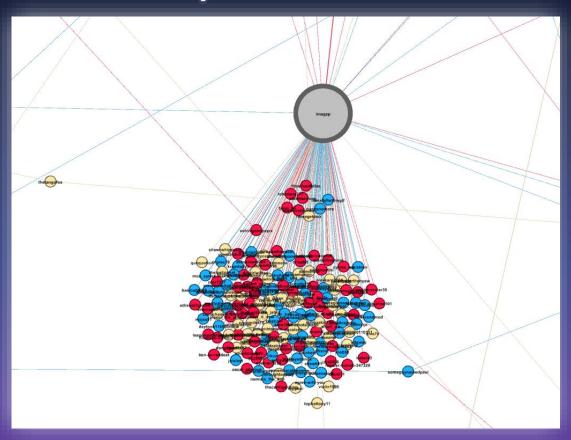
'I'm a 60 year old woman with three young adults your age and supporting hubby and them. I'm still working my fingers to the bone and I now have hope for a better life and even to enjoy my retirement if it ever comes. I have enjoyed all of you sassy young men trying for a better life with your self-

0.9746

'Well they are surely going to make a movie someday of all that's happening here, I have no doubt about that. Let's agree we all go see it in an AMC t heater when it comes out 🔞'

### Negative Sentiment - Popular Posts







sentiment1	negative	neutral	positive
submission			
l7iorh	126	140	227
lmagzp	110	71	98
I8539h	91	82	77

'Hedge funds are NOTORIOUS for RIGGING the game so they can drive Lambos and tell people they made 3% on their hard earned money. And if they lose 10% of your hard earned money, guess what, they still drive Lambos. \n\nOne of the ways they rig the game is order flow. Hedge funds pay for your orders s

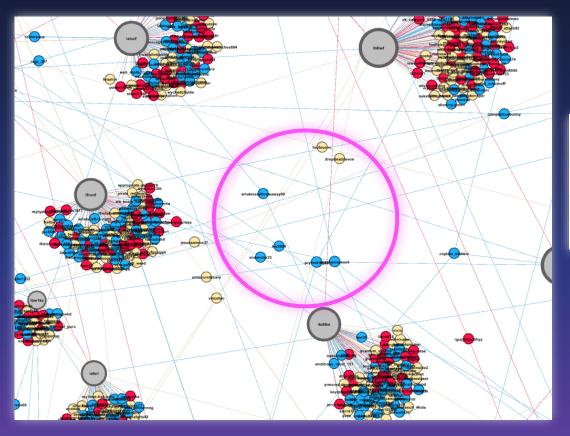
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'Is this admissible as evidence that there was a massive conspiracy to keep the price of GME down? That there was "stock manipulation" as they say? Ca n the SEC and Congress please do their job and punish those who crushed the market by violating their own rules?\n\nGoddamn this is infuriating.'

-0.964

'If a normal citizen steals \$1000 they go to prison on felony charges.\n\nWhen Wall Street steals millions they get a fine.'

# Influential Users across Posts



# Top Degree Centrality (Fraction of nodes connected to)

145	SoDakZak	0.000992
379	UIUIUIUIUIUIBN	0.000631
4029	melanthius	0.000631
162	beluuuuuuga	0.000631
98	360T-Posed	0.000631

#### **Business Outcomes**

#### **Financial** Services

Fintech Companies should assess what types of posts and comments are influential both positively and negatively. Helpful from a PR perspective to address controversy early.



#### Individual Investors

When deciding what to invest in, might be more useful to monitor sentiment and network metrics versus only looking at upvotes.











#### Future Work and Limitations

Realtime tracking of reddit user engagement on certain stocks

Investment Notifications

They have serious pull in actual stock market

Hedge Funds

Utilizing AI to pick on r/WSB trends

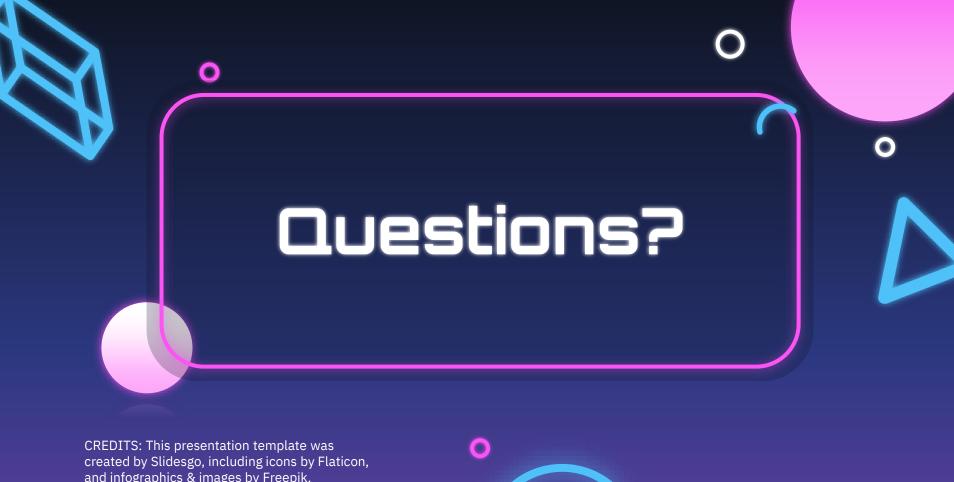
Robo Advising Partnerships

More data means better insights

Scraping More

Data





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