Are the tides turning for microservices?

Tracking the adoption of microservices in developer communities through sentiment analysis

Is there are trend in developer communities towards or against the usage of microservices?

- Identify and collect relevant developer communities (SO, Reddit, X, Issue Trackers, Mailing Lists...)
- Use Sentiment Analysis to identify positive or negative sentiment towards the topic microservices
- Compare datasets from different time frames to see whether there is a trend
- Identify possible reasons (entity detection) in negative/positive comments

Challenges

- Is there enough data we can use?
- Is the data relevant (several communities required)
- Do existing language models work well for software related tasks?
- Will we find something?

Step 1: Is there (good) enough data?

- Investigate some developer communities regarding the following aspects:
 - Metadata (timestamp, tags)
 - Possibility to collect them in an automated way (API, web scraping)
 - do they contain any positive or negative sentiments at all?
- Manually try to classify some examples
- Get a feeling which communities are better suited for the task
- Compare manual results with some LLMs, NLP models
- Check how data can be preprocessed to create better results