Shifting Tone of a Body of Text

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1. Abstract

- Natural language processing
 - Tone recognition: label input text
 - Tone alteration: align text with a different category
- Plutchik's basic emotions
 - Joy, trust, fear, surprise, sadness, disgust, anger, anticipation

2. High Level Plans

- Build out datasets / lexicons
 - Sourced vs created
 - * NRC Emotion / Affect lexicons
 - · Unigram limitations
 - * Twitter scraper
 - * Scraped thesaurus
- Make different models
 - Arbitrary replacement (control)
 - Latent Dirichlet Allocation
 - Neural nets?
 - * Potential n-gram benefits
- User testing

4. Latent Dirichlet Allocation

- Generative statistical topic model
 - document → set of topics
- Bayesian inference for topic mixture
- Soft clustering
 - fuzzy membership
 - topic reduction

4. Current Progress

- Thesaurus
- Lexicons
- Website
 - Frontend
 - API
 - Server setup, etc

Next Steps

- More server configuration
- Build LDA model
- Alter data visualization

5. Thank you!

Here are links if anyone is interested

- Frontend: sproj.colehollant.com
- Backend: sproj.api.colehollant.com
- Version control: my github

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