Assignment 2

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Sentiment analysis is a tool for assessing the mood of a piece of text. For example, we can use sentiment analysis to understand public perceptions of topics in environmental policy like energy, climate, and conservation.

Reading in Nexis Article Data (1-4)

Cleaning Artifacts about the Data (5)

```
# reading in the articles & meta dataframe (to skip the first chunk when knitting)
articles_df <- read_csv("/Users/colleenmccamy/Documents/MEDS/classes/spring/eds-231-text-analysis/text-
meta <- read_csv("/Users/colleenmccamy/Documents/MEDS/classes/spring/eds-231-text-analysis/text-sentime
# define the word string to split at for the query information at the end
split_word <- "Classification Language:"</pre>
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# remove the classification language sub-text at the end of each article
articles_df$split_text <- unlist(lapply(strsplit(articles_df$Article, split_word), '[', 1)
# removing the query info from the paranthesis
articles_df <- articles_df |>
    mutate(text_noq = gsub("^\\[[0-9]+\\] |\\([^\\(]*\\)", "", split_text))
```

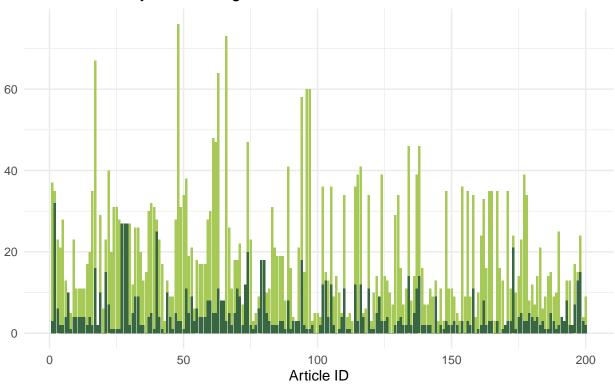
Exploring the Data (6)

Calculating Mean Sentiment

[1] "The mean sentiment of the articles for the term 'building decarbonization' is 14.6."

Sentiment by Article Plot & Plotting Polarity

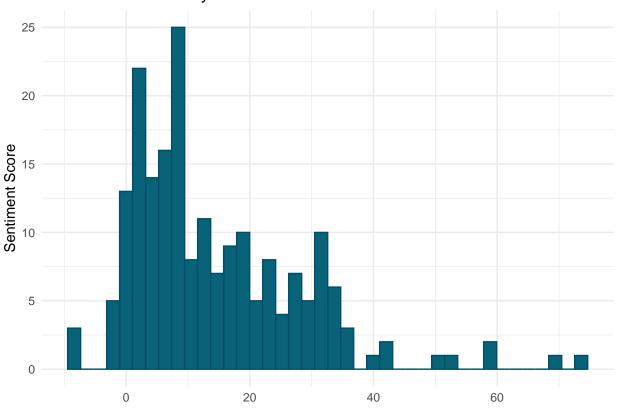
Sentiment analysis: Building Decarbonization



Light green are positive sentiment and dark green is negative.

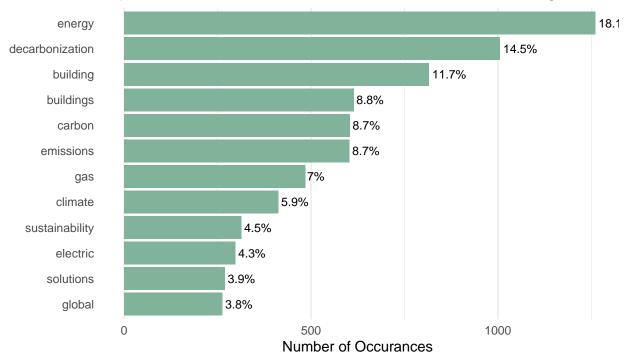
```
labs(title = "Distribution of Polarity Scores for the Articles",
   y = "Sentiment Score",
   x = NULL)
```

Distribution of Polarity Scores for the Articles



Plotting Top Words Occurance Numbers & Percentage

Top Words within the Articles & Word Occurance Percentage



Displaying the occurance percentage for the word in all of the articles excluding stop words.

NRC Emotion Word Analysis (7)

```
# loading in the nrc sentiment words
nrc_sent <- get_sentiments("nrc")

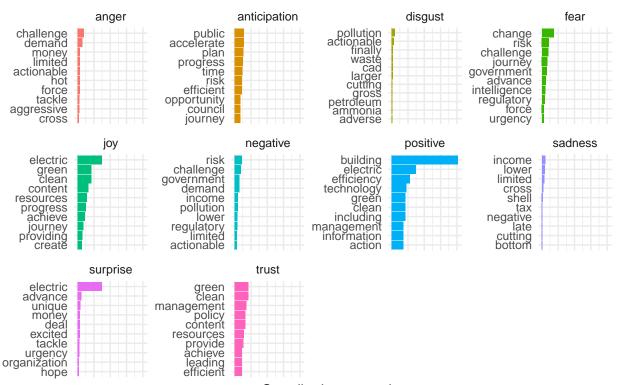
# joining the sentiment words to the total text words
nrc_word_counts <- text_words_clean |>
    inner_join(nrc_sent) |>
    count(word, sentiment, sort = T) |>
    ungroup()

# grouping by sentiment and saving this to be grouped by sentiment
sent_counts_nrc <- text_words_clean |>
    group_by(ID) |>
    inner_join(nrc_sent) |>
    group_by(sentiment) |>
    count(word, sentiment, sort = T)
```

```
# plotting the top words for each emotion from all of the articles
sent_counts_nrc |>
   group_by(sentiment) |>
   slice_max(n, n = 10) |>
   ungroup() |>
   mutate(word = reorder(word, n)) |>
```

```
ggplot(aes(n, word, fill = sentiment)) +
geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
facet_wrap(~sentiment, scales = "free_y") + # plot for each emotion
labs(x = "Contribution to sentiment",
        y = NULL,
        title = "Emotion Words within the Building Decarbonization Articles") +
theme_minimal() +
theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5),
        axis.text.x = element_blank())
```

Emotion Words within the Building Decarbonization Articles



Contribution to sentiment

Removing Misleading NRC Words

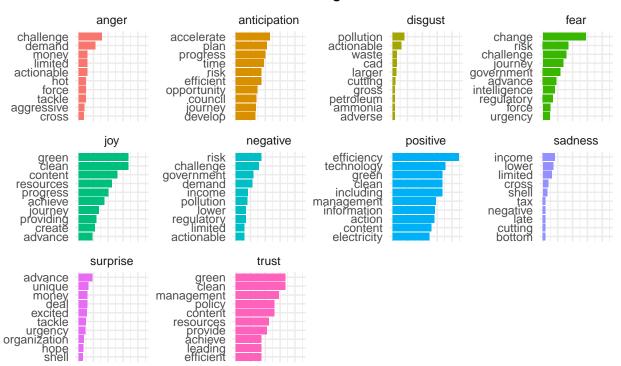
```
# creating a dataframe of words to remove
nrc_remove <- tibble(
  word = c("building", "electric", "finally", "public"),
  sentiment = c(0, 0, 0, 0))

# removing the words listed above from the nrc words
nrc_clean <- nrc_sent |>
  anti_join(nrc_remove, by = "word")
```

```
# updating the sentiment counts with the irrelevant words taken out
sent_counts_nrc <- text_words_clean |>
```

```
group_by(ID) |>
  inner_join(nrc_clean) |>
  group_by(sentiment) |>
  count(word, sentiment, sort = T)
sent_counts_nrc |>
  group_by(sentiment) |>
  slice_max(n, n = 10) \mid >
  ungroup() |>
  mutate(word = reorder(word, n)) |>
  ggplot(aes(n, word, fill = sentiment)) +
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE) +
  facet_wrap(~sentiment, scales = "free_y") + # plot for each emotion
  labs(x = "Contribution to sentiment",
       y = NULL,
       title = "Emotion Words within the Building Decarbonization Articles \n After Removing Irrelevant
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5),
        axis.text.x = element_blank())
```

Emotion Words within the Building Decarbonization Articles After Removing Irrelevant Terms

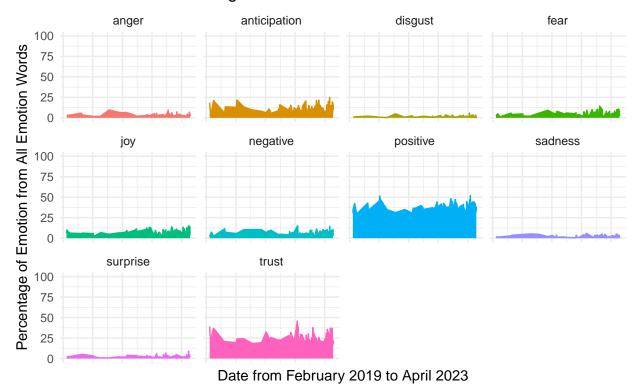


Contribution to sentiment

Plotting the amount of nrc emotion words as a percentage of all the emotion words used each day (8)

```
# selecting the date and ID column from the metadata
article date <- meta |>
  select(ID, Date)
text_words_date <- full_join(text_words_clean, article_date, by = "ID")</pre>
sent_counts_date <- text_words_clean |>
  group_by(ID) |>
  inner_join(nrc_clean) |>
  full_join(article_date, by = "ID") |>
  group_by(sentiment, Date) |>
  count(sentiment)
total_words_date <- sent_counts_date |>
  group_by(Date) |>
  summarize(total words = sum(n))
sent_counts_date <- sent_counts_date |>
  full_join(total_words_date, by = "Date")
sent_counts_date <- sent_counts_date |>
  mutate(percent = round(((n/total_words)*100), 2),) |>
  mutate(Date = as.Date(Date, format = "%B %d, %Y"))
```

Distribution of Emotion Words Used in Building Decarbonization Articles Over Time



How does the distribution of emotion words change over time? Can you think of any reason this would be the case?

RESPONSE: It appears that the distribution of emotion words used in the building decarbonization articles tends to be more variable as time advances. This is shown through more rigid percentages of the emotions overtime. This is more apparent in the trust, joy, anger and anticipation graphs. This could be because as time advances more articles have been published about building decarbonization. More articles published allows for a greater variability of emotions published about the subject.

However, it doesn't appear that there is any major changes overtime for emotions in articles that contain the word "building decarbonization". I think this is because the term itself is more industry-focused jargon. This analysis can inform us that other key words may be better suited to assess the change in emotions about the decarbonization of buildings.