Situational Awareness: Using Twitter Geolocated Tweets and IBM Watson on a Mobile Device.

Research Proposal

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1 Introduction

What situations are you walking into? There is a convergence of powerful technologies that allow for near instantaneous notification of current events. Can a mobile device leverage geolocateed tweets from Twtter, and analysis from IBM's Watson, to produce real-time notification of potentially hazardous situations? That is what this reasearch proposes to elucidate.

2 Specific Aims

- Access the developer consoles and APIs of Twitter and IBM Watson to see if the two technology giants can mesh
- Create an android app that pulls in geolocateed tweets that IBM's Watson can analyze for sentiment and emotion.
- Show a user's current location, and potentially dangerous proximal locations, in a google map on a mobile device.

3 Background

There will be several interdependant moving parts with this project. The datasets for the natural language processing will come from Twitter. The Twitter API allows for the triangulation of geolocated tweets[3]. Using developer authentication, and a GET request with certain location parameters, one can obtain a list of current tweets within a search radius in JSON format. From these tweets one can glean a myriad of data.

The android application will track the user's longitude and lattitude in real-time. A mobile phone is useful in this regard because of the built-in sensor data that can accurately

locate the position of a user. Using this data, tweets will be obtained from a given radius around the user.

The last part of this project is natural language processing with IBM's Watson. IBM has an easily accessible cloud computing program with various machine learning capabilities[2].

The code for the Android Application is located on Github. While it is not eligible to be uploaded to the Play Store yet, it may be tweaked and uploaded in the future[1].

4 Preliminary Results

5 Work Plan

5.1 Aim 1: Hardware Implementation

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5.2 Aim 2: Node Swarm

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5.2.3 Objective

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6 Broader Impacts

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