Tracking Discourse on Social Media

Archives Unleashed: Web Archive Hackathon Toronto, Ontario

Team Critical Load Average

TRACKING DISCOURSE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Two events:

- Charlie Hebdo shooting (Jan 7, 2015)
- Bataclan attack (Nov 13, 2015)

Two social media sites:

- Reddit
- Twitter

Four approaches:

- Attention span
- Information flow
- Topic modeling
- Network analysis

REDDIT COMMENT:

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[-] Anakinss @ 14 points 1 year ago

Very honestly... Satirical isn't the word that comes to my mind when talking about Charlie Hebdo. It's not intellectual, rarely smart, and always made to be offensive to everybody.

I read a few issues, but it always left a bitter taste that there was no denunciation, only insults.

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TWEET:



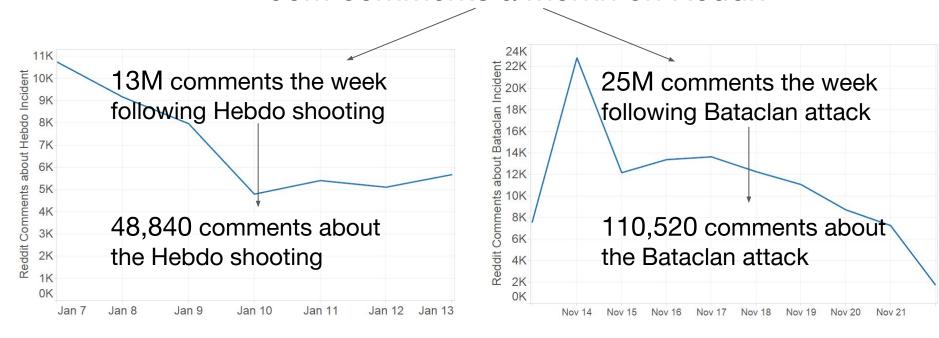
Ione dude @de_lone_dude · Feb 24

so much for #Freedomofexpression or it only suits when criticising #islam

#CharlieHebdo #hypocrites

REDDIT DATA

~50M comments a month on Reddit



6,964,831 bataclan tweets (english, nov. 13 - nov. 19)

4,280,030 hebdo tweets (english, jan. 7 - jan 13)

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l the beautiful people in #Paris, France. 👐 #Prayers #Light #LoveDear people of Twitter. I beg of you, please do NOT show the bodies of the innocent victims of the #Paris attacks.Thoughts and praye rs for #Paris.#BREAKING: according to Europe 1 there is now a shooting at the Les Halles which is near the Centre Pompidou and Louvr...An estimated 1.200 #France nationals operate in #ISIL's ranks. #Pa risShocked. Not shocked. #ParisAttacksThoughts and wishes with all my friends, their families, and everyone else in #ParisLive Updates: Massacre in #Paris Leaves at Least 26 Dead, 100 Hostages Still TrappedIf you're in Paris looking for shelter, use hashtag #PorteOuverte. Parisians will let you in their home.The French Military Has Been Deployed on the Streets of #Paris\n\nLIVESTREAM COVERAGE -M an's inhumanity to man, will it never end..very sad and pointless, achieving nothing. #Paris#Paris My thoughts are with you. Je suis desolé.Please* Any non-French speakers/natives in #Paris check #p orteouverte if you need shelter/place to stay temporarily #...This is reportedly a live stream of area outside concert hall in #Paris where around 100 hostages are being held. https://...Thoughts and pr ayers are with those held hostage, wounded, and the friends and family of those lost in #ParisFind out who did it... fuck human rights put an end them all anyone to do with it. #ParisIf there are any Irish people caught up in the events in Paris tonight could they please make contact or DM me. #Parisatt...[From our archives] Why 'urban-warfare' attacks might be the future of terrorism: #ParisParis lens are using the hashtag #PorteOuverte for those who need shelter in Paris right nowBREAKING: '40 DEAD and 100 taken hostage' in #Paris terror attacksIf you are in Paris, and need somewhere safe to stay, or can offer a safe haven. Parisiens are using hashtag #PorteOuve...Switched over to on the #ParisAttacks - excellent coverageAll of my friends in #Paris, please know you are in my thoughts and prayers right now.Thoughts are with those in Paris tonight 🍫 we pray one day there will be total world peace. #Parisvideo shows ambulance and police rushing to respond inMy heart goes out to everyone in Paris in the wake of these terrorist attacks. Please be safe. #ParisTUNE IN: Attacks in #Paris: CNBC live special 6 p.m. ETPeople in #Paris are told not to leave their homes or exit metro &: r

explosions over the noise of the crowd at the stadium...Video shows moment explosion is heard during France vs Germany game in #Parislet's see how funny Charlie Hebdo thinks this isUPDATE: Police of ficial: Around 100 hostages taken at #Paris theatre: 35 dead.Aren't we supposed to be the most intelligent beings on the planet? We haven't even learned to get on with each other vet.\n…The video con tains the sound of an explosion audible from the Stade de France in #ParisOh my god. The sound of the detonation heard at le Stade de France... #Paris #FRAGER #FRAALLThis is what has to say about the #Paris attacksBREAKING: U.S. security officials believe #Paris attacks were coordinated:Fucking bastards. #ParisIf you're out in Paris and need somewhere safe to go/stay use #PorteOuverte to find ki nd Parisians opening their homes t...Everyone's thinking the same thing #ParisIf you're in Paris looking for shelter, use hashtag #PorteOuverte. Parisians will let you in their home.Sending #LOVE to al

estaurants but to stay inside. Chaos in the city a…#PARIS LIVE UPDATES: Many killed and injured in 3 separate attacks, hostages takenHas anybody actually thought that religion is just a myth? #ParisP aris shooting - Continuing coverage #ParisattacksUpdate - Reuters: around 60 people said to be inside #Bataclan concert hall in #Paris in hostage situationMy thoughts & prayers are with the peopl e of #Paris. They myriad attacks have cast dark shadows on the #CityOfLights https:..Terror grips #Paris in night of attacks; hostages being held in theater, police sayOmg the death toll is now 40 in #Paris 🛮 please God no more no more....may the hostages get out without getting killed 🏶 Breaking : At least 35 reported dead. 100 hostages taken in #Paris attacks via the Android appIf you are in Pa ris, and need somewhere safe to stay, or can offer a safe haven. Parisiens are using hashtag #PorteOuve...If you are in Paris and want to help people on the street find shelter use the hashtag #PorteOu verteLots of love to the city of love. #WeAreParis #Paris #StopKilling #JeSuisParisIrish embassy in #Paris+33144176700\nBritish embassy in #Paris +33144513100#BREAKING: French police confirm that hos

tages are being held at the Bataclan concert hall in #Paris.what's wrong with the world ? paris under attack! #parisattacks #ParisShootingSpoke to best friend who lives in 11th arr.She says streets a re empty sirens everywhere neighbors gathering in front o.... Paris attacks: What we know so far 🌢 #Paris 🔸 🐎 💠 🏖 ommentator on France 24 \Even if we had multiplied the number of police in Paris by 3 0. how could we have prevented thi...People in Paris tweeting #PorteOuverte offering shelter to anybody stranded as a result of tonight's #ParisAttacksConfused fans have flooded the pitch here in #Pari

sIf you're in Paris and trying to find shelter, browse the #PorteOuverte hashtag. People are welcoming you! Don't stay outs...Are They in Paris? #svpol #eu #terrorism #migpol #islam #shooting #dead Liv e Feed: Shooting and Explosion in #ParisThis is what has to say about the #Paris attacksOMG #Paris Crazy! \nStade de France right now.\n#ParisAttacksCrazy! \nStade de France right now.\n#ParisAttacks Praying for the people of #ParisIf you're in Paris and trying to find shelter, browse the #PorteOuverte hashtag. People are welcoming you! Don't stay outs...My heart and thoughts go out to #Paris tonig ht. Terrible terrible sad news. Thinking back to my Paris...Thinking of everyone in Paris ... Police in #Paris are urging people to remain indoors right now. If you are safe, stay whe...Paris shooting Continuing coverage #ParisattacksBodies littered in the streets of central #Paris like in a war zone. Police now say 20 dead but death toll rising. https...#Paris no claim of responsibility yet but Isl

amic State supporters are praising the attack on social media with 'Paris in "French media saving 40 are now dead in Paris #ParisattacksFuck. All my love going out to the innocent people in #ParisAs an american I can't tell if people are screaming or just talking loud in french. #paris #parisattacksThinking of everyone in Paris ... Police in #Paris are urging people to remain indoors right now.

If you are safe, stay whe…If you're out in Paris, many Parisians are opening their doors to help you stay safe. #PorteOuverte#BREAKING: reported shooting heard at Les Halles shopping mall #parisatta cksIf you're in Paris looking for shelter, use hashtag #PorteOuverte. Parisians will let you in their home.Terror grips #Paris in night of attacks; hostages being held in theater, police saySo more t

han 40 killed, probably over a hundred injured, and over a hundred taken hostage!! #ParisIf vou are in Paris, and need somewhere safe to stay, or can offer a safe haven. Parisiens are using hashtag # PorteOuve…Figaro reports at least 30 dead in #Paris shooting #Fussilades.Unconfirmed reports of suicide bombers. Sound of explosion outside Stadium reportedly caught on TV cameras.\n#Paris \nht…Got t he answer #Paris.Wish meatheads tweeting crap would understand the difference between a Muslim and a terrorist #ffs #ParisConfused fans have flooded the pitch here in #ParisVideo shows moment explosi

on is heard during France vs Germany game in #ParisWatching the news about the terror attacks in #paris is terrifying, death toll and hostage toll just continuing to rise #scarystuff #parisIf death t

oll being reported is correct, this wld already be more than double the toll in the Charlie Hebdo attack. & this…If you're in Paris looking for shelter, use hashtag #PorteOuverte. Parisians will let vou in their home.DETAILS: Around 100 hostages at #Paris #Bataclan theater: 35 killed in shootouts. blastsFormer head of the CIA used BBC airwaves to attempt to link #Paris attacks to Iran.Irish

embassy #Paris can be called at +33144176700\n\nBritish consulate #Paris can be called at +33 (0)1 44 51 31 00#porteouverte fuck you terroristsThinking of everyone in Paris ... Police in #Paris are

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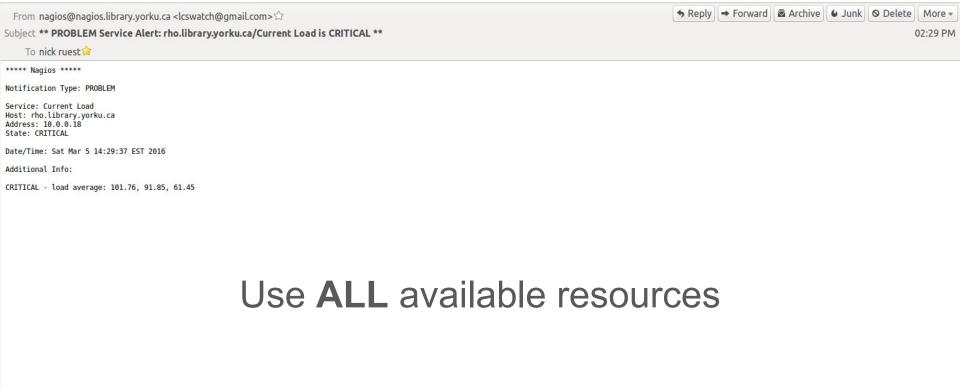
cked the soccer match in #ParisSeveral simultaneous shootings in #Paris, casualties reportedhttp://f24.my/10mMfadThe french people are using #PorteOuverte to offer people without places to stay refug e for the night. Vive la France!Reports of use of Kalashnikovs in shooting incidents in #ParisattacksStav safe out there. It's looking wild in #ParisIronic that all the \civilized\ are \praving for t hem\. when I'm sure they were sending their own prayers right before the attack #ParisResidents near locations of shootings offering protection under hashtag #PorteOuverte. Paris is great.#ParisAttac

ks There really are some awful things going on in the world, my thoughts are with those affected xParisie^C

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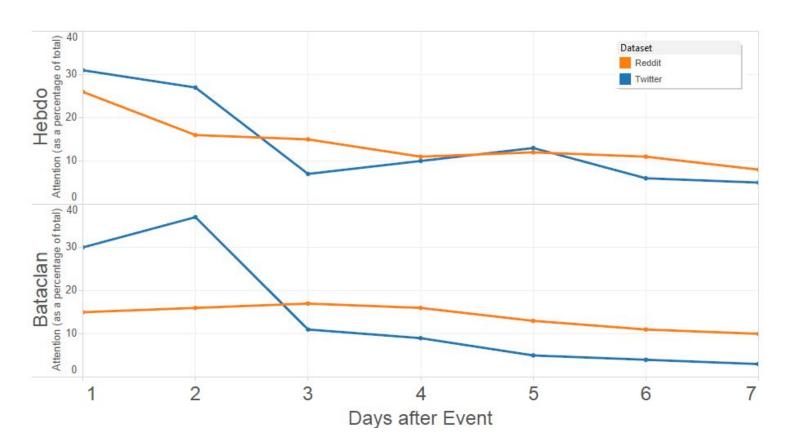




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Attention on social media



Longitudinal Analysis (spread of information/misinformation)

Charlie Hebdo Twitter Dialog: Longitudinal Analysis of Important Terms (http://www.cs.odu.edu/~anwala/files/temp/archivesUnleashedHackathon/Bataclan_Twitter.html)

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Longitudinal Analysis (evolution of conversation)

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attack

france

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day 4

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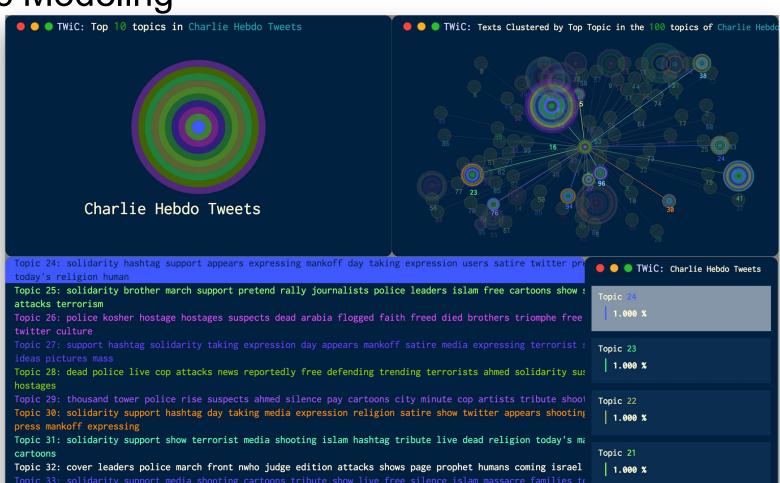
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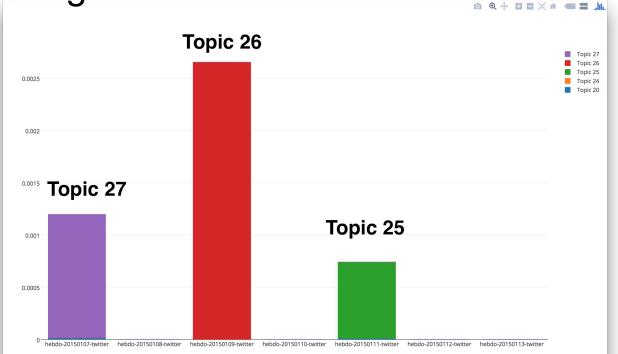
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Topic Modeling



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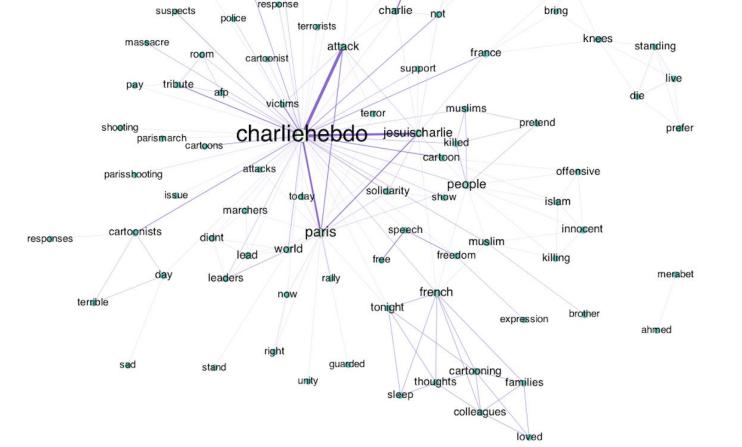


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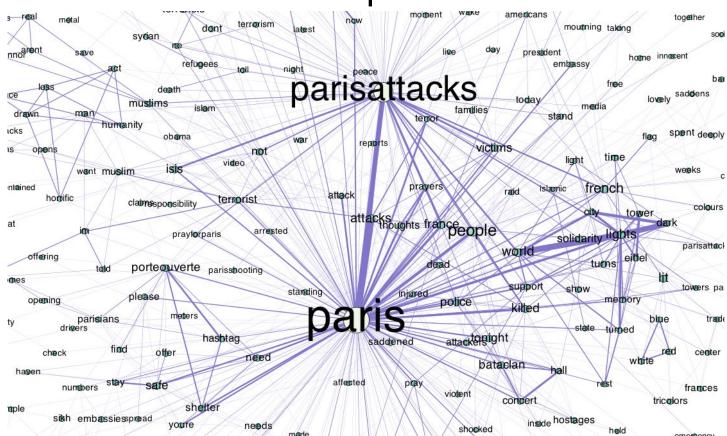
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Topic 27: support hashtag solidarity taking expression day appears mankoff satire media expressing terrorist showing religion users events twitte ideas pictures mass

NETWORK ANALYSIS: Word co-occurrence pattern for Charlie Hebdo



NETWORK ANALYSIS: Word co-occurrence pattern for Bataclan



FURTHER RESEARCH

- Longer time spans
- Other types of events
- Categorization (hashtags or subreddits)

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