

A photograph of three teenagers sitting on a wooden ledge. The person on the left is holding a tablet, the person in the middle is using a laptop, and the person on the right is holding a smartphone. They are all wearing plaid shirts and jeans. The background is a bright, out-of-focus indoor setting.

# **UNVCOVERING TEEN INTERESTS:**

**AN UNSUPERVISED NLP EXPLORATION**

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# MOTIVATION

“To curb the small but present semantic divide between young and old, I wanted to explore YouTube video transcript data in order to learn more about the type of interests, words, and phrases teens are using.”





# TARGETED DATA

“MINECRAFT”



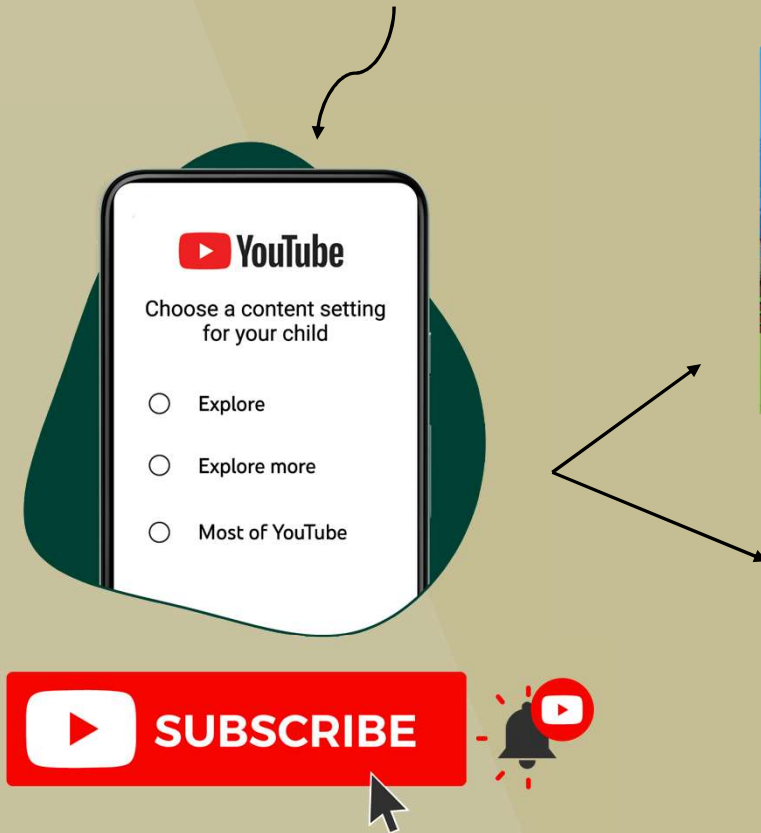
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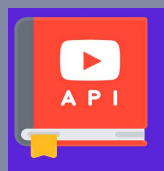
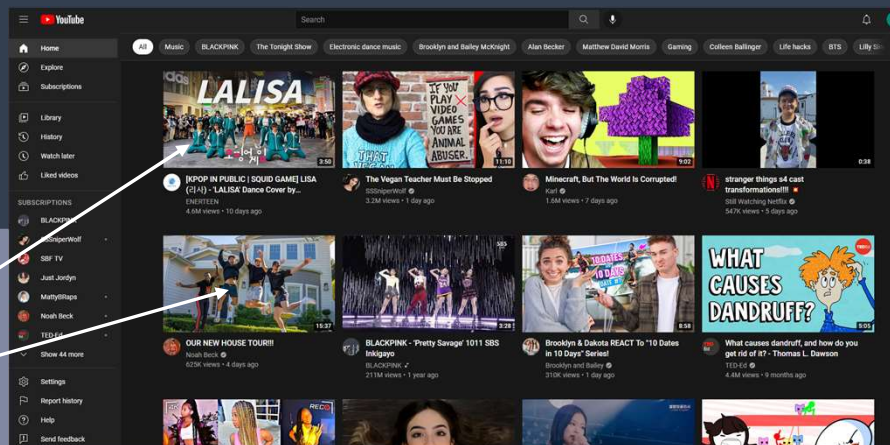


“MAKEUP”



# PIPELINE

URLs



COLLECT DATA



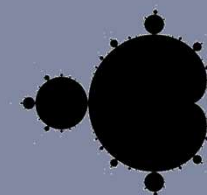
CLEAN DATA



PREPROCESS  
TEXT



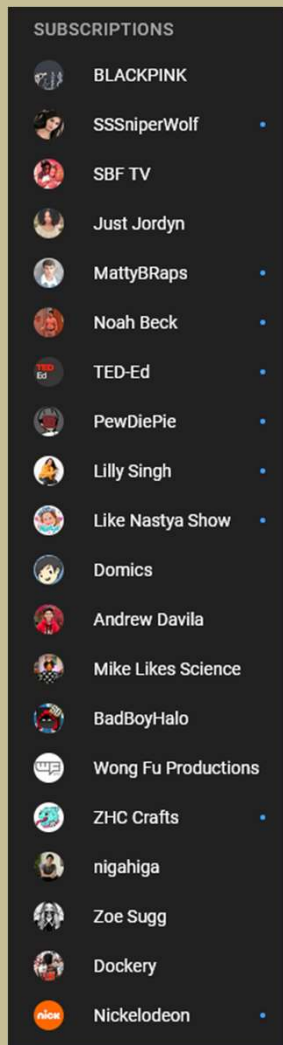
TOPIC  
MODELING



TextBlob

SENTIMENT  
ANALYSIS

ONE ROW OF DATA CONSISTS OF A SINGLE VIDEO'S CLEANED TEXT DATA AND VIDEO METADATA



- Only 1500 videos
- One source:  YouTube
- Need for more breadth of subscriptions



# RESULTS

**DOCUMENT-TERM  
MATRIX**

TfidfVectorizer

**MODEL**

Non-Negative Matrix  
Factorization ("NMF")

**TOPICS RETURNED**

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## TOPICS

- Video Reviews
- Hair Care
- Prizes
- Food
- Minecraft
- Games
- School
- Educational
- Pregnancy
- Dance/Music
- Halloween
- Clothes
- Challenges
- Beauty Care
- Christmas



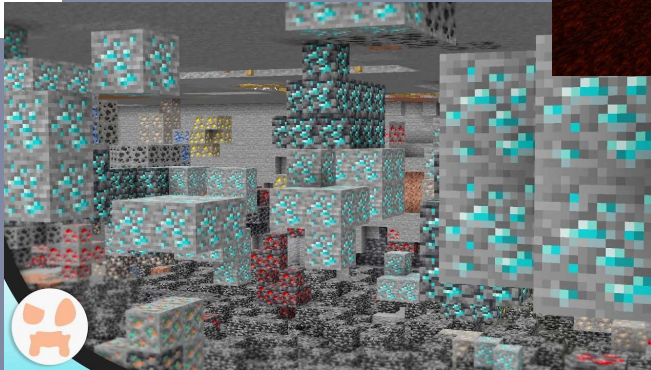


# NEW WORDS/CHARACTERS

MINECRAFT - MR.BEAST



“Creeper”



“Diamond”



“Nether”

“Chandler,”  
“Mr. Beast,”  
“Chris”



# TOPIC EDA

## Avg. Comment Count/Topic

1. Challenges
2. Dance/Music
3. Beauty Care

## Video Count/Topic

1. Beauty Care
2. Food
3. Minecraft

## Avg. Like/Dislike Ratio

1. Pregnancy
2. Educational
3. Beauty Care

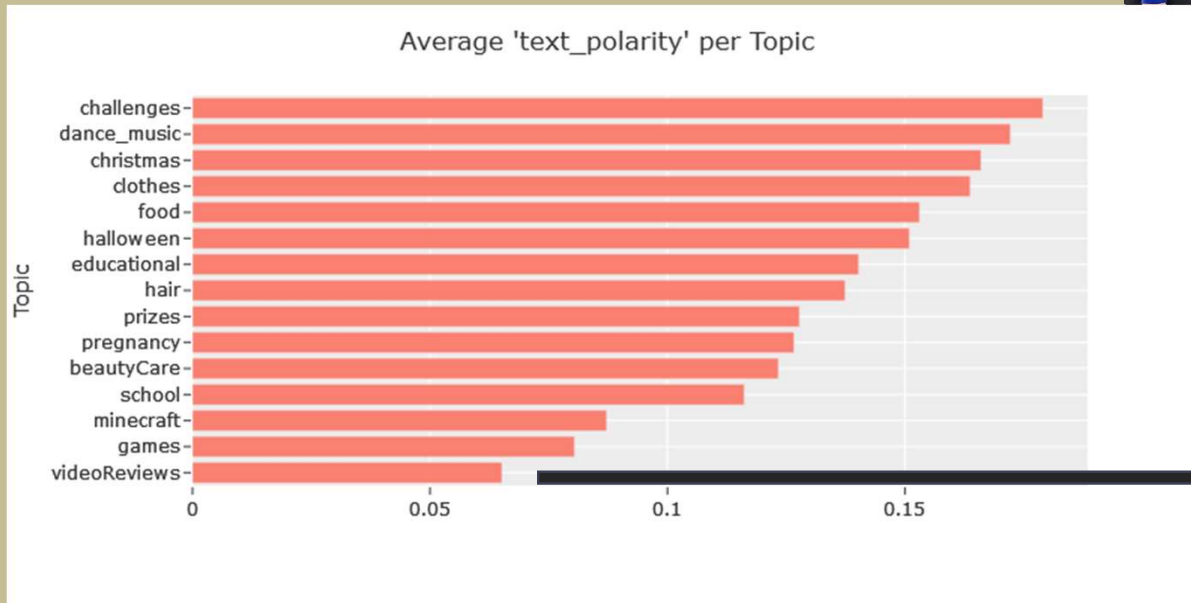
## Avg. Views per Topic

1. Prizes
2. Christmas
3. Dance/Music





# SENTIMENT ANALYSIS



Case of the 'Karen's' and the 'SSSniperWolf' channel

# CONCLUSION

- Latent topics exist
- Potential for Business Use Case

"This type of information could be immensely helpful to parents, educators, therapists, and psychologists who want to better understand and relate to the teens in their lives."



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# FUTURE WORK

- More Data/Diverse Data
- Deep Learning and Image Recognition
- Different Sources



# THANK YOU

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# APPENDIX

