GoodTaste: The Twitter Rating Engine

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Goal

- Create an engine that will collect tweets about a query
- Analyze the content of each tweet to determine a "rating" associated with that tweet
- Aggregate these ratings into a single score returned to the user

- Sample input: "Star Wars 7: The Force Awakens" and "Movie"
 - Sample output: "Twitter users rated this movie ?/100" (? is what we are finding)

Data Sources

- Twitter API
 - a. We will need to work with the twitter API in order to do a project about tweets
 - b. Instagram API
 - i. Perhaps if we decide to work on food specifically we can use Instagram as an alternative data stream
- 2. APIs used to check the effectiveness of GoodTaste
 - a. Restaurants
 - i. Yelp API
 - b. Weather
 - i. Open Weather or Forecast APIs
 - c. Movies
 - i. Rotten Tomatoes API

New Technologies

- Django Interface
 - Takes in the query and sends back the GoodTaste rating
- Tweet to Rating algorithm
 - Will analyze the text to determine a positive or negative mood for each text
- Some sort of data structure to keep this all together
 - Perhaps some sort of class that has multiple parts to keep track of tweets and ratings
- Testing algorithm to compare our results with Yelp, Forecast, etc.

Timeline

- Checkpoint 1 (Week 6): Be able to collect all tweets relating to some query and collect them in a data structure locally
 - a. Maria will lead this section
- 2. Checkpoint 2 (Week 8): Have a polished algorithm that can convert a tweet to a rating for at least one type of query (movie, restaurant, etc.)
 - a. Gabe will lead this section
- 3. Final Checkpoint (Week 10): Put together the Django interface and be able to send and receive queries.
 - Also during this time we will attempt to generalize the engine to accept as many types of queries as we can
 - Graham will lead this section