#ALL LIVES MATTER: A Twitter Sentiment Analysis Using NLP

Motivation

#AllLivesMatter is generally thought to be a critique or counter to the #BlackLivesMatter movement. Furthermore, there is a general misalignment and misunderstanding of the #AllLivesMatter movement. This project soughts to clarify and characterize this platform using NLP and *Vader* sentiment analysis of Twitter tweets with the hashtag #AllLivesMatter.

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Data Process Timeline

- Webscraped 7,136 tweets that contained the #alllivesmatter hashtag from all users in a 26 hour timespan from Twitter. Used 4,181 tweets in English for our analysis.
- Used Vader sentiment analysis scores to gauge the sentiment of those tweets as 'positive', 'neutral', or 'negative.'
- Tokenized, removed stop words, lemmatized, vectorized training, testing, and validation sets for classification, and evaluation.
- 4. Conducted EDA to clarify and characterize the platform.
- 5. Tested several models that classified the sentiment of 250 tweets.
- 6. Discussion of key takeaways and next steps.

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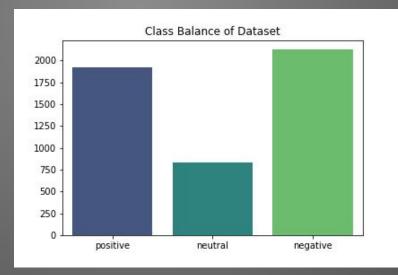
Vader sentiment scores

- 1. Numeric compound score from -1 to 1
- 2. -1 extremely negative, +1 extremely positive

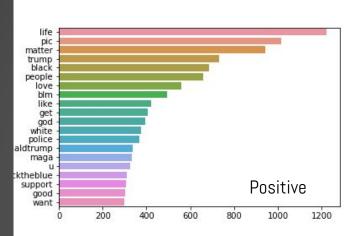
3. Up to user to interpret the thresholds for neutral (-.05 to .05, if

applicable)

Classes



Word Frequency by Sentiment



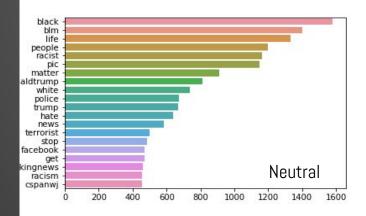
Unique Words in Each Class:

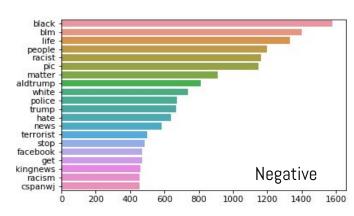
Pos: love, god, support, thank, like, backtheblue, know

Neu: right, news, teaparty, instagram, breaking

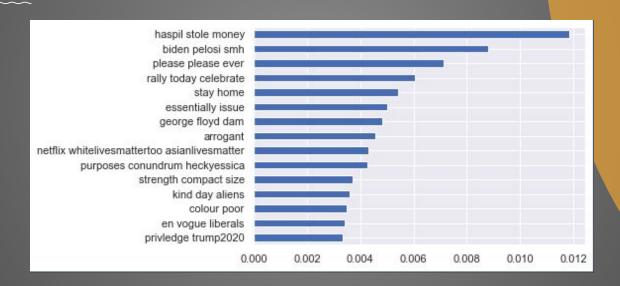
Neg: racist, terrorist, hate, facebook, stop, news

Common words: status, trump, black, police, blm, pic, realdonaldtrump, white

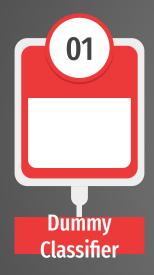




Feature Importance in Random Forest



Predicting the Classes



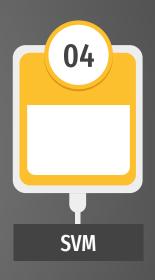
Accuracy= 43.0% F1 Score= 43.3%



Accuracy= 87.3% F1 Score= 87.6%



Accuracy= 89.5% F1 Score = 89.4%

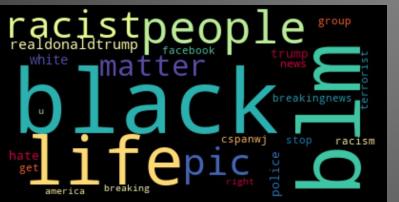


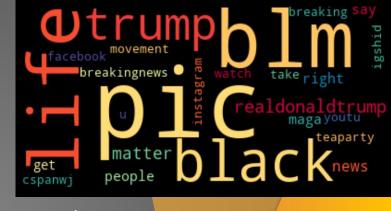
Accuracy= 91.0% F1 Score= 90.9%

Future Steps

- Scrape more tweets on different days to ensure better sample
- Conduct surveys rather than analyze tweets

negative





neutral

- Users often have other topics in tweets with multiple hashtags
- NLP on #BlackLivesMatter and #BlueLivesMatter

Conclusion

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- Common words appearing across all sentiments indicate varied opinions across the platform towards certain subjects
- Negative words appear more frequently
- Polarized tweets.

Social Case

• #AllLivesMatter is criticized to be in denial of the African-American experience. Positive sentiment show it supports *God, love,* and *backtheblue*. There is neutral sentiment towards the *right, teaparty,* and *news*. Common words that appear across all sentiments such as *Trump, police, people, white, black* tell us it is an adversarial and Conservative/Nationalist platform with polarized views, very Republican in nature. Some practical forward steps should include being more aware of our political landscape, respecting different viewpoints, and non-violent means of protest/expression.

Thank you!. Questions?

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