

SHIN_POLI_SENTIMENT

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1 CSPB 3022 Classification Project - Political Text Analysis/Predictions Using Supervised Learning Methods

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1.2 Introduction

This dataset contains the classification of partisan bias, audience, and goals based on politicians' social media. Total rows total ~5000 and the objective is to clean, organize, manipulate data contents to derive meaningful conclusions based on hypotheses and analysis. For the final project, I have chosen sentiment analysis classifying political bias provided texts (in this case tweets). That is, to assign categories to the collection of data (political messaging) in order to aid in more accurate predictions and analysis. The idea of crowdsourcing draws on "wisdom of the crowd" arguments where I used the CrowdFlower/Kaggle database to access the data set to be used for this project, titled, "Political Social Media Posts" (<https://www.kaggle.com/crowdflower/political-social-media-posts/data>).

I chose this topic in particular, not because I'm fascinated with politics, but for the harnessing power of social media and was curious to see how natural language processing (NLP) could computationally identify and categorize opinions expressed in the political messages to determine potential biases.

Now that a multivariate analysis problem of interest has been identified, the outline of the project shall continue as follows: 1. Selecting Data Sources 2. Preprocess data; Cleaning and transforming data, as needed 3. Perform Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) 4. Perform Classification

*** References Disclaimer ***

Websites used convert text into meaningful encoding vectors using some corpus (feature vectors may vary widely depending on the proximity of the corpus to the original problem), along with possibly tools to enhance visual flare.

If you referenced any web sites or solutions not of your own creation, list those references here

- Word Counter: <https://data-flair.training/blogs/python-counter/>
- TextBlob Class: https://textblob.readthedocs.io/en/dev/api_reference.html
- Classifiers: https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.naive_bayes.MultinomialNB.html
<https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2018/02/natural-language-processing-for-beginners-using-textblob/>
- TfidfTransformer: https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.feature_extraction.text.TfidfTransformer.html

- CountVectorizer: https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.feature_extraction.text.CountVectorizer.html
- Naive Bayes Classifier for Text Analysis: <https://towardsdatascience.com/multinomial-naive-bayes-classifier-for-text-analysis-python-8dd6825ece67>
- Pipeline: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.pipeline.Pipeline.html>
- Sentiment Analysis Overview: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5635074/>
- Support Vector Machines: <https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/svm.html> ***

1.3 Installations:

textblob and wordcloud (pip install)

```
In [1]: %matplotlib inline
import numpy as np
import scipy as sp
import scipy.stats as stats
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns; sns.set()
from collections import Counter
from textblob import TextBlob
from textblob.classifiers import NaiveBayesClassifier
from textblob.classifiers import DecisionTreeClassifier
import scipy.stats
import sklearn.linear_model
import sklearn.discriminant_analysis
import sklearn.preprocessing
import sklearn.model_selection
import sklearn.neighbors
from sklearn.naive_bayes import MultinomialNB
from sklearn.linear_model import SGDClassifier
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfTransformer
import sklearn.linear_model as lm
from sklearn import metrics
from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
import nltk
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.classify import SklearnClassifier
from wordcloud import WordCloud, STOPWORDS
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

1.4 GitHub: <https://github.com/tshin23/Political-Sentiment-Analysis>

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Sentiment Analysis Sentiment analysis is important in the studies of news values, public opinion, negative campaigning or political polarization and the expansion of digital textual data and efficient progress in automated text analysis provides vast opportunities for innovated social sciences [research] (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5635074/>). In general, a lack of tools and procedures for producing or collecting sentiment ratings of acceptable quality for large-scale data analyses currently limits the ease of use with this data mining technique. Typically with emphasis on large scale data, research projects can quickly overwhelm when faced with restrictions of time, money, limited trained coders.

Measuring Sentiment in Political Texts

Analyzing the polarity of texts has a long tradition in social sciences. A prominent example is media negativity, capturing the over-selection of negative over positive news, the tonality of media stories, and the degree of conflict or confrontation in news. With sentiment analysis, a large dataset can be classified with varying polarity, valence or tone and classified as simply positive, negative, or neutral. For the purposes of this project, supervised learning automated approaches will be employed to “learn” the sentiment of political messages (Note - the instructions governing the dataset will be kept at a beginner due to time constraints and limits on the tools available to me). Latter analyses will introduce supervised learning techniques from course discussions and set up the basics of supervised machine learning in the realm of text analysis.

Data Source

As noted in the introduction, the idea of crowdsourcing draws on “wisdom of the crowd” arguments where I used the CrowdFlower/Kaggle database to access the data set to be used for this project, titled, “Political Social Media Posts” (<https://www.kaggle.com/crowdflower/political-social-media-posts/data>). For project consideration, we will later delve deeper into selecting relevant words from the political messages to try and accurately predict meaning and predictions.

This dataset contains the results from contributors analyzing thousands of social media messages from U.S. Senators and other American politicians to classify its contents. Messages were broken down into audience (national or the tweeter’s constituency), bias (neutral/bipartisan, or biased/partisan), and finally tagged as the actual substance of the message itself (options ranged from informational, announcement of a media appearance, an attack on another candidate, etc.)

Full Data Description: [political_social_media.csv]

1. **unit_id** : A unique id for the message
2. **golden**: always FALSE; (classifier for whether the message meets Crowdfower’s gold standard)
3. **unit_state**: always “finalized”
4. **trusted_judgments**: the number of trusted human judgments that were entered for this message; an integer between 1 and 3
5. **last_judgment_at**: when the final judgment was collected
6. **audience**: one of national or constituency
7. **audience:confidence**: a measure of confidence in the audience judgment; a float between 0.5 and 1
8. **bias**: one of neutral or partisan
9. **bias:confidence**: a measure of confidence in the bias judgment; a float between 0.5 and 1
10. **message**: the aim of the message. one of:
 - attack: the message attacks another politician
 - (0) constituency: the message discusses the politician’s constituency
 - (1) information: an informational message about news in government or the wider U.S.
 - (2) media: a message about interaction with the media
 - (3) mobilization: a message intended to mobilize supporters
 - (4) other: a catch-all category for messages that don’t fit into the other
 - (5) personal: a personal message, usually expressing sympathy, support or condolences, or other personal opinions
 - (6) policy: a message about political policy
 - (7) support: a message of political support

11. **message:confidence**: a measure of confidence in the message judgment; a float between 0.5 and 1
12. **orig_golden**: always empty; presumably whether some portion of the message was in the gold standard
13. **audience_gold**: always empty; presumably whether the audience response was in the gold standard
14. **bias_gold**: always empty; presumably whether the bias response was in the gold standard
15. **bioid**: a unique id for the politician
16. **embed**: HTML code to embed this message
17. **id**: unique id for the message WITHIN whichever social media site it was pulled from
18. **label**: a string of the form "From: firstname lastname (position from state)"
19. **message_gold**: always blank; presumably whether the message response was in the gold standard
20. **source**: where the message was posted; one of "facebook" or "twitter"
21. **text**: the text of the message

Dataset Considerations * Description from kaggle: This dataset, from Crowdfunder's Data For Everyone Library, provides text of 5000 messages from politicians' social media accounts, along with human judgments about the purpose, partisanship, and audience of the messages. Because contents of this dataset are subject to human judgements, biases of the message components, it will be interesting to observe how much of the data is subjected to human persuasion (especially confidence level measurements). ***

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Expected Outcomes

From this point, I will: 1. Explore, clean, and modify the political message dataset to determine meaningful relationships between certain words and message types as indicated by qualified human assessors from varying social media posts.

2. Determine how certain words in tweets/posts are correlated with political messages using heatmap/wordcloud.
3. Transform data and perform linear, logistic regression, or other classification methods – Decision tree classifiers: applying Naive Bayes or Support Vector Machine based algorithms for supervised machine-learning assessment.
4. Determine which classification based method is the stronger predictor for political bias/alignments between Multinomial Naive Bayes (MNB) text classification and Support Vector Machine (SVM) machine learning algorithms.

Hypotheses

1. The SVM classifier will out-predict and provide more accurate results than MNB
2. Anticipation of certain words being highly correlated with certain messages:
 - veterans = policy; support
 - bill = policy
 - In case you missed it (ICYMI) = media
 - abortion = policy

Quick Look at Data

Let's take a quick look at the first five rows

```
In [2]: politext = pd.read_csv('political_social_media.csv')
        politext.head()
```

```
Out[2]:
```

	_unit_id	_golden	_unit_state	_trusted_judgments	_last_judgment_at	\
0	766192484	False	finalized	1	8/4/2015 21:17	
1	766192485	False	finalized	1	8/4/2015 21:20	
2	766192486	False	finalized	1	8/4/2015 21:14	
3	766192487	False	finalized	1	8/4/2015 21:08	
4	766192488	False	finalized	1	8/4/2015 21:26	

	audience	audience:confidence	bias	bias:confidence	message	\
0	national	1.0	partisan	1.0	policy	
1	national	1.0	partisan	1.0	attack	
2	national	1.0	neutral	1.0	support	
3	national	1.0	neutral	1.0	policy	
4	national	1.0	partisan	1.0	policy	

	...	orig_golden	\
0	...	NaN	
1	...	NaN	
2	...	NaN	
3	...	NaN	
4	...	NaN	

	audience_gold	bias_gold	bioid	\
0	NaN	NaN	R000596	
1	NaN	NaN	M000355	
2	NaN	NaN	S001180	
3	NaN	NaN	C000880	
4	NaN	NaN	U000038	

	embed	id	\
0	<blockquote class="twitter-tweet" width="450">...	3.83E+17	
1	<blockquote class="twitter-tweet" width="450">...	3.11E+17	
2	<blockquote class="twitter-tweet" width="450">...	3.39E+17	
3	<blockquote class="twitter-tweet" width="450">...	2.99E+17	
4	<blockquote class="twitter-tweet" width="450">...	4.08E+17	

	label	message_gold	source	\
0	From: Trey Radel (Representative from Florida)	NaN	twitter	
1	From: Mitch McConnell (Senator from Kentucky)	NaN	twitter	
2	From: Kurt Schrader (Representative from Oregon)	NaN	twitter	
3	From: Michael Crapo (Senator from Idaho)	NaN	twitter	
4	From: Mark Udall (Senator from Colorado)	NaN	twitter	

```

                                text
0 RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...
1 VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...
2 Please join me today in remembering our fallen...
3 RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...
4 .@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...

```

```
[5 rows x 21 columns]
```

1.6 Shape of dataset

```
In [3]: print("There are {} observations and {} features in this dataset. \n".format(politext.observations, politext.columns))
```

```
There are 5000 observations and 21 features in this dataset.
```

```
In [4]: #Looking deeper into the type of values in each column
        for column in politext.columns:
            print(str.format("%s \t# of unique values: %s, \tdtype: %s" % (column, len(np.unique(politext[column])), politext[column].dtype)))
```

```

_unit_id           # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: int64
_golden            # of unique values: 1,              dtype: bool
_unit_state        # of unique values: 1,              dtype: object
_trusted_judgments # of unique values: 3,              dtype: int64
_last_judgment_at  # of unique values: 238,            dtype: object
audience          # of unique values: 2,              dtype: object
audience:confidence # of unique values: 31,            dtype: float64
bias              # of unique values: 2,              dtype: object
bias:confidence    # of unique values: 35,            dtype: float64
message           # of unique values: 9,              dtype: object
message:confidence # of unique values: 23,            dtype: float64
orig__golden       # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: float64
audience_gold     # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: float64
bias_gold          # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: float64
bioid             # of unique values: 505,            dtype: object
embed             # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: object
id                # of unique values: 2763,           dtype: object
label             # of unique values: 505,            dtype: object
message_gold       # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: float64
source            # of unique values: 2,              dtype: object
text              # of unique values: 5000,           dtype: object

```

```
### Let's count the number of words in each message
```

```
In [5]: politext['word_count'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: len(str(x).split(" ")))
        politext[['text', 'word_count']].head()
```

```
Out [5]:
```

	text	word_count
0	RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...	11
1	VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...	12
2	Please join me today in remembering our fallen...	22
3	RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...	20
4	.@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...	20

How about the number of characters?

```
In [6]: politext['char_count'] = politext['text'].str.len() ## this also includes spaces
        politext[['text', 'char_count']].head()
```

```
Out [6]:
```

	text	char_count
0	RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...	93
1	VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...	85
2	Please join me today in remembering our fallen...	136
3	RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...	124
4	.@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...	143

Number of hashtags per tweet

```
In [7]: politext['hashtags'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: len([x for x in x.split() if x.startswith('#')]))
        politext[['text', 'hashtags']].head()
```

```
Out [7]:
```

	text	hashtags
0	RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...	3
1	VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...	1
2	Please join me today in remembering our fallen...	0
3	RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...	1
4	.@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...	4

Number of directed tweets (@)

```
In [8]: politext['at'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: len([x for x in x.split() if x.startswith('@')]))
        politext[['text', 'at']].head()
```

```
Out [8]:
```

	text	at
0	RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...	1
1	VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...	0
2	Please join me today in remembering our fallen...	0
3	RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...	1
4	.@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...	0

Average word length?

```
In [9]: def avg_word(sentence):
        words = sentence.split()
        return (sum(len(word) for word in words)/len(words))

        politext['avg_word'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: avg_word(x))
        politext[['text', 'avg_word']].head()
```



```
Out[9]:
```

	text	avg_word
0	RT @nowthisnews: Rep. Trey Radel (R- #FL) slam...	7.545455
1	VIDEO - #Obamacare: Full of Higher Costs and ...	6.727273
2	Please join me today in remembering our fallen...	5.227273
3	RT @SenatorLeahy: 1st step toward Senate debat...	5.250000
4	.@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...	6.200000

Data Pre-Processing

Since the scope of the hypotheses are focused on message biases from the text, let's only focus on the relevant columns of "Message", "Bias", "Label", and "Text" and remove all other columns

```
In [10]: # Remove columns to keep only those subject to analysis
```

```
politext = politext.drop(['_unit_id', '_golden', '_unit_state', '_trusted_judgments',
                          'audience:confidence', 'bias:confidence', 'message:confidence', 'orig',
                          'bias_gold', 'bioid', 'embed', 'id', 'message_gold', 'source'], axis=1)
```

Transform tweets into lower case

```
In [11]: politext['text'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: " ".join(x.lower() for x in x.split()))
politext['text'].head()
```

```
Out[11]: 0    rt @nowthisnews: rep. trey radel (r- #fl) slam...
1    video - #obamacare: full of higher costs and b...
2    please join me today in remembering our fallen...
3    rt @senatorleahy: 1st step toward senate debat...
4    .@amazon delivery #drones show need to update ...
Name: text, dtype: object
```

Remove punctuation to clean data

```
In [12]: politext['text'] = politext['text'].str.replace('[^\w\s]', '')
politext['text'].head()
```

```
Out[12]: 0    rt nowthisnews rep trey radel r fl slams obama...
1    video obamacare full of higher costs and brok...
2    please join me today in remembering our fallen...
3    rt senatorleahy 1st step toward senate debate ...
4    amazon delivery drones show need to update law...
Name: text, dtype: object
```

Removal of Stop Words

```
In [13]: from nltk.corpus import stopwords
stop = stopwords.words('english')
politext['text'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: " ".join(x for x in x.split() if x not in stop))
politext['text'].head()
```

```
Out[13]: 0    rt nowthisnews rep trey radel r fl slams obama...
1    video obamacare full higher costs broken promi...
2    please join today remembering fallen heroes ho...
3    rt senatorleahy 1st step toward senate debate ...
4    amazon delivery drones show need update law pr...
Name: text, dtype: object
```

Word Frequency

```
In [14]: freq = pd.Series(' '.join(politext['text']).split()).value_counts()[:10]
         freq
```

```
Out[14]: today      715
         us         437
         house     433
         amp       409
         great     395
         new       361
         bill     323
         act       291
         congress  289
         president 284
         dtype: int64
```

Outliers: Rarest Words

```
In [15]: freq = pd.Series(' '.join(politext['text']).split()).value_counts()[-10:]
         freq
```

```
Out[15]: recalling
         httpwwwbizjournalscomstlouisprintedition20130111jobsactkeepsinvestorsstartupshtml
         poli_tico
         coryûł
         likelier
         elizardo
         merrillville
         35p
         spreading
         reacts
         dtype: int64
```

Let's Remove rarely occurring words (Removal reduces vocabulary clutter so features used later are effective)

```
In [16]: # freq = list(freq.index)
         # politext['text'] = politext['text'].apply(lambda x: " ".join(x for x in x.split() if x in freq))
         # politext['text'].head()
```

Spelling Mistakes/Further Message Pre-processing

```
In [17]: from textblob import TextBlob
         politext['text'][:5].apply(lambda x: str(TextBlob(x).correct()))
```

```
Out[17]: 0    it nowthisnews rep they made r ll slums obamac...
         1    video obamacare full higher costs broken promi...
         2    please join today remembering fallen heroes ho...
         3    it senatorleahy st step toward senate debate l...
         4    amazon delivery drones show need update law pr...
         Name: text, dtype: object
```

1.6.1 Prepare Bias and Message Columns to Categorical

```
In [18]: # And Convert the bias and message columns to categorical (this will be helpful for c
politext.bias = pd.Categorical(politext.bias)
politext.message = pd.Categorical(politext.message)
```

1.6.2 Create a "VECTOR" column to create a vector of the TEXT field

```
In [ ]: # Let's also set up a new column labeled "vector" for words in text field
politext['vector'] = [i for i in politext.text.str.split(" ")]
```

```
In [ ]: # Let's now look at the first 10 rows (capitalized column headers)
politext.bias = pd.Categorical(politext.bias)
renameColumns = {'bias' : 'BIAS', 'message' : 'MESSAGE', 'label' : 'LABEL', 'text' : 'TEXT'}
politext.rename mapper = renameColumns, axis = 1, inplace=True)
politext.head(10)
```

```
Out [ ]:      BIAS      MESSAGE      LABEL \
0  partisan      policy  From: Trey Radel (Representative from Florida)
1  partisan      attack  From: Mitch McConnell (Senator from Kentucky)
2  neutral      support  From: Kurt Schrader (Representative from Oregon)
3  neutral      policy   From: Michael Crapo (Senator from Idaho)
4  partisan      policy   From: Mark Udall (Senator from Colorado)
5  partisan  information  From: Heidi Heitkamp (Senator from North Dakota)
6  neutral  mobilization  From: Frederica Wilson (Representative from Fl...
7  neutral  mobilization  From: Ron Barber (Representative from Arizona)
8  neutral      personal  From: Chuck Fleischmann (Representative from T...
9  partisan      support  From: Steny Hoyer (Representative from Maryland)
```

```
      TEXT  word_count  char_count \
0  rt nowthisnews rep trey radel r fl slams obama...      11      93
1  video obamacare full higher costs broken promi...      12      85
2  please join today remembering fallen heroes ho...      22     136
3  rt senatorleahy 1st step toward senate debate ...      20     124
4  amazon delivery drones show need update law pr...      20     143
5  called usdotfra release info inspections casse...      18     123
6  bbcworld help us keep kidnapped nigerian schoo...      15     134
7  show arizona pridechoose favorite az picture f...      20     139
8  wonderful night state senator ken yagerũls chi...      21     145
9  great oped pres clinton signing fmla 20 yrs ag...      19     139
```

```
      hashtags  at  avg_word      VECTOR
0           3   1  7.545455  [rt, nowthisnews, rep, trey, radel, r, fl, sla...
1           1   0  6.727273  [video, obamacare, full, higher, costs, broken...
2           0   0  5.227273  [please, join, today, remembering, fallen, her...
3           1   1  5.250000  [rt, senatorleahy, 1st, step, toward, senate, ...
4           4   0  6.200000  [amazon, delivery, drones, show, need, update,...
5           1   1  5.888889  [called, usdotfra, release, info, inspections,...
6           2   1  8.000000  [bbcworld, help, us, keep, kidnapped, nigerian...
```

```

7          0  0  6.000000  [show, arizona, pridechoose, favorite, az, pic...
8          0  0  5.952381  [wonderful, night, state, senator, ken, yagerû...
9          2  0  6.368421  [great, oped, pres, clinton, signing, fmla, 20...

```

```

In [ ]: #Again let's look at the type of values for the remaining columns
        for column in politext.columns:
            print("%s \t# of unique values: %s, \tdtype: %s" % (column, len(np.unique(

```

```

BIAS          # of unique values: 2,          dtype: category
MESSAGE       # of unique values: 9,          dtype: category
LABEL         # of unique values: 505,        dtype: object
TEXT          # of unique values: 4999,       dtype: object
word_count    # of unique values: 201,        dtype: int64
char_count    # of unique values: 711,        dtype: int64
hashtags      # of unique values: 8,          dtype: int64
at            # of unique values: 9,          dtype: int64
avg_word      # of unique values: 1744,       dtype: float64
VECTOR        # of unique values: 4999,       dtype: object

```

```

In [ ]: print("There are {} observations and {} features in this dataset. \n".format(politext.

```

There are 5000 observations and 10 features in this dataset.

VISUALS FOR TEXT ANALYSIS (EDA)

1.7 DETERMINING 50 MOST/LEAST COMMON WORDS USED IN TWEETS

```

In [ ]: count_words = Counter()
        politext.VECTOR.apply(count_words.update)
        print('MOST COMMON WORD (COUNT):\n', count_words.most_common(50))
        print('\n\n')
        print('LEAST COMMON WORD (COUNT):\n', count_words.most_common()[-250:-200])

```

MOST COMMON WORD (COUNT):

```
[('today', 715), ('us', 437), ('house', 433), ('amp', 409), ('great', 395), ('new', 361), ('b
```

LEAST COMMON WORD (COUNT):

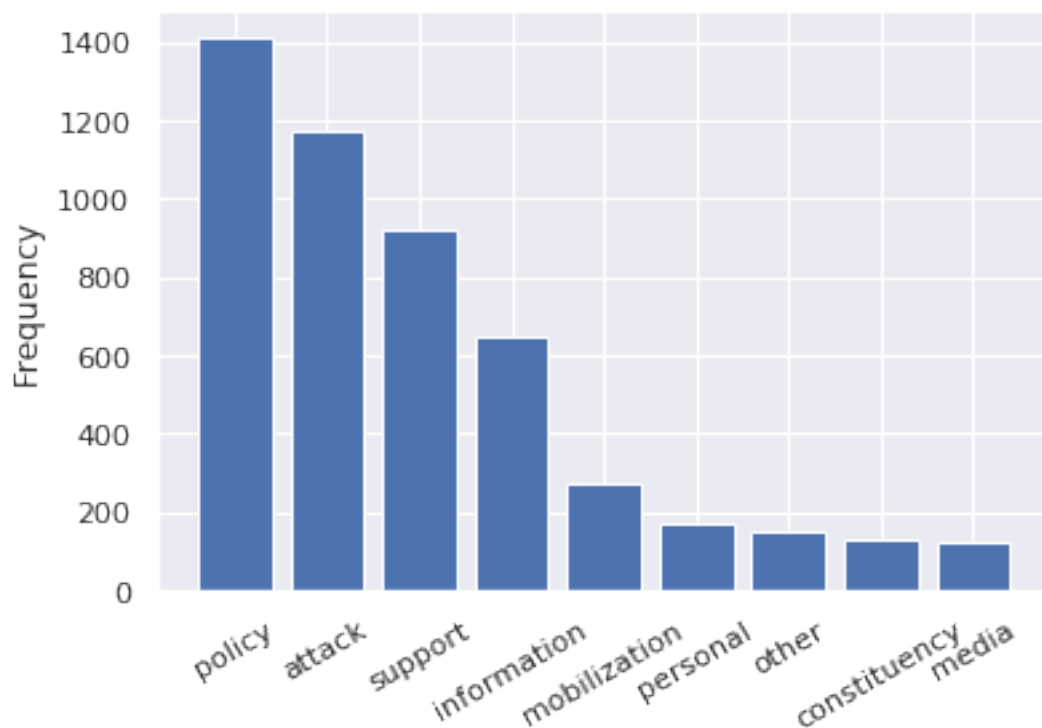
```
[('peterûls', 1), ('3ûls', 1), ('meû', 1), ('vermontûls', 1), ('shelves', 1), ('saveourcheese
```

Since we've already taken the liberty to clean up articles and common words (using stop-words) we're left with words that are relevantly least used along with words with incorrect spacing, continued misspellings, and hyperlinks. In this case, the least common words used may not have the intended effect for analysis.

For now, any such discrepancies will be noted and possibly mitigated depending on its effect on the data. In general, as noted during the initial proposal assessment, due to the sentiment analysis classifying political bias given text, categorical classification, correlation coefficient and further regression analysis need not to apply to describing the data. Instead, meaningful encoding vectors and classifiers (concepts discussed in the later weeks) will be used to make further sense of the data.

Bar Graph Representing Related Words

```
In [ ]: x = politext.MESSAGE.unique()
        y = politext.MESSAGE.value_counts()
        plt.bar(x, y);
        plt.xticks(rotation=30);
        plt.ylabel('Frequency');
```



```
In [ ]: print("Total Messages:\n",politext.MESSAGE.describe())
        print("\nBiased word choices:\n",politext.BIAS.describe())
```

```
print("\nMessages containing the word 'proud':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.contains('proud')])
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'love':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.contains('love')])
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'hate':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.contains('hate')])
print("\nMessages containing the word 'ICYMI' (In Case You Missed It):\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.contains('ICYMI')])
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'Obama':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.contains('Obama')])
```

```

print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'bill':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.str.
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'veterans':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'immigrants':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.
print("\nFor tweets containing the word 'abortion':\n",politext.MESSAGE[politext.TEXT.

```

Total Messages:

```

count      5000
unique      9
top        policy
freq       1411
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object

```

Biased word choices:

```

count      5000
unique      2
top        neutral
freq       3689
Name: BIAS, dtype: object

```

Messages containing the word 'proud':

```

count      160
unique      9
top        personal
freq       53
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object

```

For tweets containing the word 'love':

```

count      53
unique      8
top        personal
freq       25
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object

```

For tweets containing the word 'hate':

```

count      12
unique      5
top        policy
freq       4
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object

```

Messages containing the word 'ICYMI' (In Case You Missed It):

```

count      72
unique      6
top        policy
freq       23
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object

```

For tweets containing the word 'Obama':

```
count      415
unique      9
top        policy
freq       189
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object
```

For tweets containing the word 'bill':

```
count      389
unique      9
top        policy
freq       193
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object
```

For tweets containing the word 'veterans':

```
count      181
unique      9
top        policy
freq        52
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object
```

For tweets containing the word 'immigrants':

```
count       15
unique       3
top         policy
freq         7
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object
```

For tweets containing the word 'abortion':

```
count        8
unique        3
top          policy
freq         4
Name: MESSAGE, dtype: object
```

The bar graph shows a heavy positive skew towards 'policy', 'attack', 'support' type messages. Though these results were somewhat expected, it may be a clear indicator of favoritism towards certain classes of words which influence the 2nd hypothesis (How certain words in tweets/posts are correlated with political messages and their implications).

```
In [ ]: data = politext['LABEL'].head(n=15000)
        states = data.groupby(politext['LABEL']).count()
        states.sort_values(ascending=False)
```

```
Out[ ]: LABEL
        From: Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (Representative from Florida)    79
        From: Kevin Brady (Representative from Texas)             69
        From: Cory Booker (Senator from New Jersey)                49
```

From: John Fleming (Representative from Louisiana)	48
From: Bernard Sanders (Senator from Vermont)	40
From: Kyrsten Sinema (Representative from Arizona)	37
From: Todd Rokita (Representative from Indiana)	35
From: Michael Crapo (Senator from Idaho)	34
From: Darrell Issa (Representative from California)	34
From: John Cornyn (Senator from Texas)	33
From: Niki Tsongas (Representative from Massachusetts)	33
From: Bill Flores (Representative from Texas)	31
From: Eric Swalwell (Representative from California)	29
From: Debbie Wasserman Schultz (Representative from Florida)	29
From: Steve Pearce (Representative from New Mexico)	29
From: John Boehner (Representative from Ohio)	28
From: Michael Fitzpatrick (Representative from Pennsylvania)	28
From: Dana Rohrabacher (Representative from California)	27
From: Steny Hoyer (Representative from Maryland)	27
From: Lynn Jenkins (Representative from Kansas)	26
From: Mike Quigley (Representative from Illinois)	26
From: Heidi Heitkamp (Senator from North Dakota)	26
From: Frank Pallone (Representative from New Jersey)	25
From: John Carter (Representative from Texas)	25
From: Robert Pittenger (Representative from North Carolina)	25
From: Mitch McConnell (Senator from Kentucky)	24
From: Tim Huelskamp (Representative from Kansas)	24
From: Marsha Blackburn (Representative from Tennessee)	23
From: Ted Cruz (Senator from Texas)	23
From: David McKinley (Representative from West Virginia)	23
..	
From: John Lewis (Representative from Georgia)	1
From: John Tierney (Representative from Massachusetts)	1
From: Alcee Hastings (Representative from Florida)	1
From: Alan Nunnelee (Representative from Mississippi)	1
From: Michael Michaud (Representative from Maine)	1
From: John Campbell (Representative from California)	1
From: Dan Maffei (Representative from New York)	1
From: Adrian Smith (Representative from Nebraska)	1
From: Mike Doyle (Representative from Pennsylvania)	1
From: Mike Grimm (Representative from New York)	1
From: Elizabeth Warren (Senator from Massachusetts)	1
From: Peter King (Representative from New York)	1
From: Jim Matheson (Representative from Utah)	1
From: Tom Coburn (Senator from Oklahoma)	1
From: Doc Hastings (Representative from Washington)	1
From: Paul Ryan (Representative from Wisconsin)	1
From: Brad Sherman (Representative from California)	1
From: Bill Keating (Representative from Massachusetts)	1
From: Jack Kingston (Representative from Georgia)	1
From: Ralph Hall (Representative from Texas)	1


```

From: Trent Franks (Representative from Arizona) 1
From: Bill Enyart (Representative from Illinois) 1
From: Mike Johanns (Senator from Nebraska) 1
From: Marcy Kaptur (Representative from Ohio) 1
From: Howard Coble (Representative from North Carolina) 1
From: Duncan Hunter (Representative from California) 1
From: Nydia Velázquez (Representative from New York) 1
From: Henry Waxman (Representative from California) 1
From: Rush Holt (Representative from New Jersey) 1
From: Colleen Hanabusa (Representative from Hawaii) 1
Name: LABEL, Length: 505, dtype: int64

```

```
## WORDCLOUD
```

```

In [ ]: #What it is..
        #?WordCloud

```

1.8 Visual of WORDCLOUD

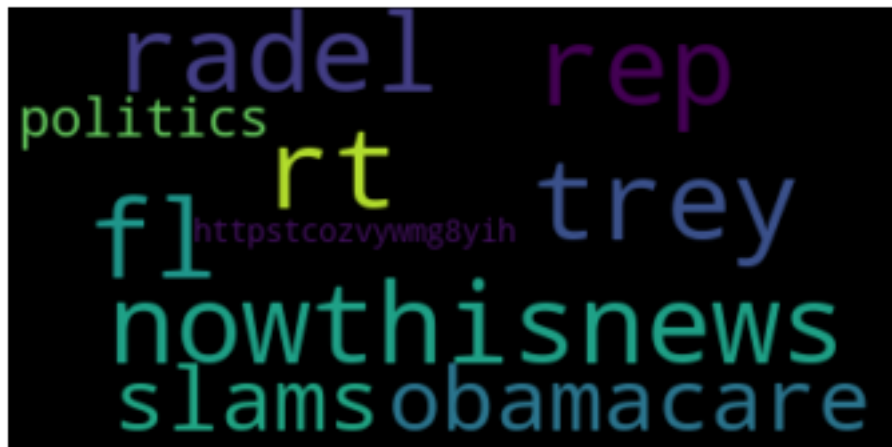
```

In [ ]: # Let's get a visual of the TEXT column
        ptext = politext.TEXT[0]

        # Create and generate a word cloud image:
        wordcloud = WordCloud().generate(ptext)

        # lower max_font_size, change maximum number of words:
        wordcloud = WordCloud(max_font_size=50, max_words=100).generate(ptext)
        plt.figure()
        plt.imshow(wordcloud, interpolation="bilinear")
        plt.axis("off")
        plt.show()

```



1.9 Delving deeper into word analysis

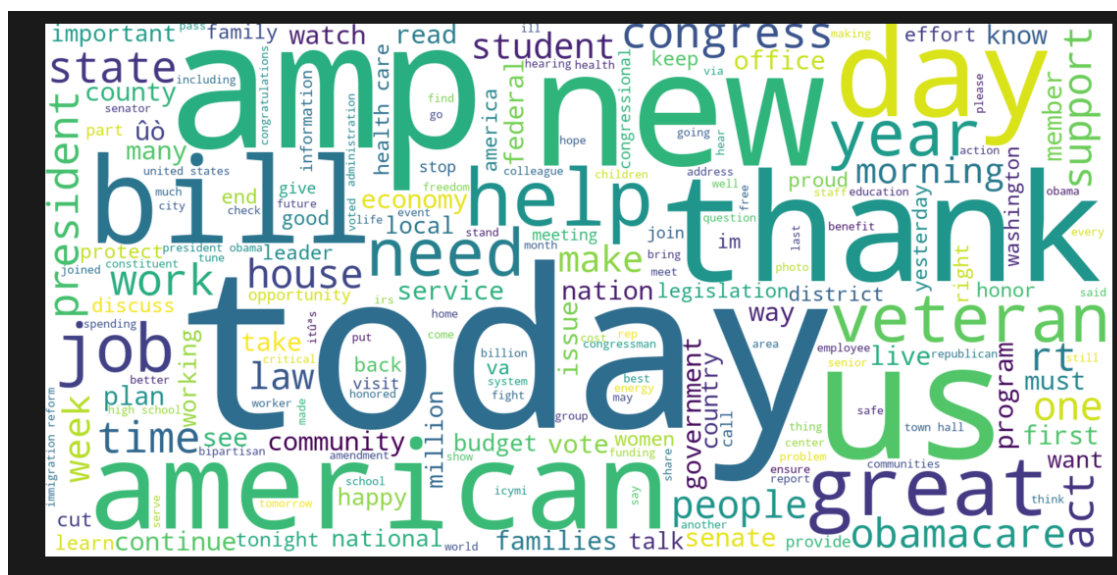
```
In [ ]: ptext = " ".join(review for review in politext.TEXT)
        print ("There are {} words in the combination of all tweets.".format(len(ptext)))
```

There are 755933 words in the combination of all tweets.

```
In [ ]: #print(politext)
import nltk
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
nltk.download('stopwords')
stopwords = stopwords.words('english')
# Create stopword list:
stopwords = set(STOPWORDS)
wordcloud = WordCloud(stopwords=stopwords, width=1600, height=800, background_color =
plt.figure(figsize=(20,10), facecolor = 'k')
plt.imshow(wordcloud, interpolation='bilinear')
plt.axis("off")
plt.savefig('wordcloud.png', facecolor='k', bbox_inches='tight')
```

```
[nltk_data] Downloading package stopwords to /home/jovyan/nltk_data...
```

```
[nltk_data] Package stopwords is already up-to-date!
```



1.9.1 HYPOTHESIS #2: Anticipation of certain words being highly correlated with certain messages:

- veterans = policy; support
- bill = policy
- In case you missed it (ICYMI) = policy (Original prediction was media)

Generally, many of the topics are correlated with policy and expressions such as “proud” and “love” are equated with personal-type messages, though “hate” came back as policy.

CLASSIFICATION

1.10 Preliminary Logistic Regression and Transforming the Text Data

Now for the fun part. For the data/text, the string values will be tokenized based upon the frequency of its occurrence in the corpus of the text. Based on the columns resulting from earlier data cleansing, the categorical values will be encoded into integers using a label encoder.

Following tokenization (process of replacing sensitive data with unique identification symbols that retain all the essential information about the data without compromising its security), the resulting data will be split into training and testing data. I'll begin by implementing a standard test size of 30% across each of the models to ascertain semi-optimal increase in the model's accuracy. Note - in cases of smaller test sizes, certain test cases may reveal higher accuracies due to coincidence.

In order for our classifiers to process the string data of our textual fields, they need to be tokenized to numerical vectors. This process is different for our target and main data. For the target, because it is a categorical variable, we need to encode those categories into integers using a Label Encoder. For our data, because it is a set of discrete strings, we need to tokenize them on the basis of the frequency of their occurrence in the corpus of text.

After transforming our target and data, we need to split our training and testing data. We will use a standard test size of 33% of the dataset across our models, as this value seems to be semi-optimal for increasing our model's accuracy. With smaller test sizes, you may get higher point-accuracies for certain runs, purely due to coincidence.

```
In [ ]: ## Split into train and test data
```

```
In [ ]: train, test = train_test_split(politext, test_size = 0.1)
        # Removing " " for later use
        train = train[train.VECTOR != ""]
```

```
In [ ]: # Label encoder definition
        label_encode = sklearn.preprocessing.LabelEncoder()
```

```
In [ ]: # Data = social media text; Target = assigned message
        import warnings; warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
        X, y = politext.TEXT, politext.MESSAGE
        label_encode.fit(y)
        y = label_encode.transform(y)
```

```
#tokenize the frequency of text occurrence and categorical values (target) to pass as
vector_count = CountVectorizer()
```

```

X_counts = vector_count.fit_transform(X)
tfidf_X = TfidfTransformer() #transform count matrix to normalized tf(term frequency)-
token_X = tfidf_X.fit_transform(X_counts)
X = token_X

#Splitting of data for training/testing
train_X, test_X, train_y, test_y = sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split(X, y, test.

#Label Encode messages
print("Categorical Targets:", np.unique(y))
print("Message Types:", np.unique(label_encode.inverse_transform(y)))

```

Categorical Targets: [0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8]

Message Types: ['attack' 'constituency' 'information' 'media' 'mobilization' 'other' 'personal' 'policy' 'support']

Applying Multinomial Naive Bayes (MNB) Classification for Text Analysis

From medium.com and Wikipedia, Naive Bayes is a family of algorithms based on applying Bayes theorem with a strong(naive) assumption, that every feature is independent of the others, in order to predict the category of a given sample. Naive Bayes will be used for text categorization, in this case, evaluating the text as belonging to one category or another with word frequencies as features. I will be classifying the Targets/Message Types from a model predictor in a supervised learning setting.

- For more information regarding the use of MNB for encoding vectors, please see: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Naive_Bayes_classifier

```

In [ ]: #MNB initialization
MNB = MultinomialNB()
#MNB fit
classifier = MNB.fit(train_X, train_y)
#MNB predictor
predicted_classes = classifier.predict(test_X)

In [ ]: warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
print("MNB Classification Metrics: \n\n", metrics.classification_report(test_y, predic
print("MNB Confusion Matrix: \n\n", metrics.confusion_matrix(test_y, predicted_classes
print("Accuracy of MNB prediction: ", np.mean(predicted_classes == test_y))

```

MNB Classification Metrics:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
attack	0.00	0.00	0.00	62
constituency	0.00	0.00	0.00	52
information	0.00	0.00	0.00	187
media	0.00	0.00	0.00	71
mobilization	0.00	0.00	0.00	37

other	0.00	0.00	0.00	43
personal	0.42	0.55	0.48	340
policy	0.36	0.91	0.52	422
support	0.33	0.00	0.01	286
micro avg	0.38	0.38	0.38	1500
macro avg	0.12	0.16	0.11	1500
weighted avg	0.26	0.38	0.26	1500

MNB Confusion Matrix:

```
[[ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0 62  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 28 24  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 53 134 0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 24 47  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0  6 31  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 16 27  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 187 152 1]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 37 384 1]
 [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0 92 193 1]]
```

Accuracy of MNB prediction: 0.38133333333333336

Accuracy: Overall, how often is the classifier correct?

Precision: When it predicts yes, how often is it correct?

F Score: This is a weighted average of the true positive rate (recall) and precision.

Based on the MNB metrics and confusion matrix, it seems to be the case of over-prediction. With 1500 unique words in the dataset this may be the result of higher word frequencies, which was noted earlier for the histogram of words in each class. The confusion matrix shows a heavy right-sided skew which could mean the MNB is only calculating particular messages. Let's compare the results with the SVM.

Meaningful Vector Encoding (SVM)

In []: *#Pipeline Creation*

```
X, y = politext.TEXT, politext.MESSAGE
train_X, test_X, train_y, test_y = sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2)
poli_pipe = Pipeline([('vector_count', CountVectorizer()), ('tfidf_X', TfidfTransformer())])

#Classification Fit
poli_class = poli_pipe.fit(train_X, train_y);
```

In []: *# Prediction for test messages; Classification metrics/confusion matrix for SVM*

```
prediction = poli_pipe.predict(test_X)
print("Accuracy of MNB predictor: ", np.mean(prediction == test_y))
warnings.simplefilter('ignore')
print("\n\nSVM Classification Metrics: \n\n", metrics.classification_report(test_y, prediction))
print("\n\nSVM Confusion Matrix: \n\n", metrics.confusion_matrix(test_y, prediction))
```

Accuracy of MNB predictor: 0.3181818181818182

SVM Classification Metrics:

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
attack	0.12	0.33	0.18	48
constituency	0.12	0.25	0.16	51
information	0.24	0.14	0.17	212
media	0.27	0.58	0.37	91
mobilization	0.09	0.24	0.13	49
other	0.10	0.20	0.14	40
personal	0.45	0.43	0.44	400
policy	0.50	0.44	0.47	455
support	0.22	0.07	0.10	304
micro avg	0.32	0.32	0.32	1650
macro avg	0.23	0.30	0.24	1650
weighted avg	0.34	0.32	0.31	1650

SVM Confusion Matrix:

```
[[ 16  0  1  3  3  4  3 17  1]
 [  1 13  2  4  4  1 12  7  7]
 [ 15 21 29 23 19 12 47 38  8]
 [  2  6  4 53  5  2  7  9  3]
 [  2  1  2  6 12  2  7 13  4]
 [  5  2  6  1  4  8 10  3  1]
 [  9 37 29 37 26 18 174 43 27]
 [ 50 11 31 40 35 12 56 200 20]
 [ 29 19 19 27 22 19 75 74 20]]
```

For both the MNB and SVM classifiers, the accuracies came back with better than chance results ($1/9 = 0.1111$). However, accuracy is not a reliable metric for the real performance of a classifier, because it will yield misleading results if the data set is unbalanced (that is, when the numbers of observations in different classes vary greatly). After numerous testing, the MNB classifier achieved accuracy of around ~ 0.33 and the SVM at ~ 0.318 . As noted earlier, although the MNB achieves a certain level of accuracy, it struggles with over prediction and therefore those tendencies are reflected in the results. At the end of the day, if asked to choose between the two model predictors, the SVM remains quite accurate while still considering a wider range of message types. When fed larger textual data, the SVM would learn and continue to improve as sample size increases. Both models reflected positive results and could be a case-by-case basis on which model is better suited for different situations. Let's now examine a function to get a better idea of how the models interpreted which words for each message type.

2 Average Accuracy for Model Analysis

```
In [ ]: runs = 50
        accuracy = np.empty(runs)
        for i in range(len(accuracy)):
            train_X, test_X, train_y, test_y = sklearn.model_selection.train_test_split(X, y,
            poli_pipe.fit(train_X, train_y);
            predict = poli_pipe.predict(test_X)
            accuracy[i] = np.mean(predict == test_y)

        print('The accuracy (average) for {} runs is: {}'.format(runs, np.mean(accuracy)))
```

The accuracy (average) for 50 runs is: 0.31810666666666665

For 50 runs, the average accuracy hovers around 0.312. For the model to be better than chance, we have to achieve over 0.11 probability of making a correct prediction. Essentially being able to guess correctly 1 out of every 9 times.

For the Multinomial NB classifier, accuracy was pretty high at near 40% levels. This is certainly better than chance, though fairly inconsistent and as noted accuracy isn't the most reliable metric. One glaring issue was its tendency to predict ALL tweets were exclusively only two message types. Because the majority of tweets fall into just a few message categories, the classifier over-predicts for those categories and naturally, is more likely report higher accuracy.

Given that our average accuracy over many runs for the SVM classifier is ~ 0.32, the model still performs fairly well. With a larger data set and more diverse set of labelled examples (where each message type has >5000 samples), our SVM model should be able to continue to improve.

While our accuracy is not strictly greater than the accuracy achieved with Multinomial NB, we can still conclude that Hypothesis #1 is correct and that the SVM is a better predictor than Multinomial Naive Bayes. The reasoning lies in the confusion matrix. The SVM very clearly considers each message type as a possibility which yields more applicable and usable results.

A Little More Sentiment Analysis

```
In [ ]: politext['TEXT'][:5].apply(lambda x: TextBlob(x).sentiment)
```

```
Out [ ]: 0          (0.0, 0.0)
         1  (0.06666666666666665, 0.48333333333333334)
         2          (-0.1, 0.1)
         3          (0.0, 0.0)
         4          (0.0, 0.0)
         Name: TEXT, dtype: object
```

The result is a tuple representing polarity and subjectivity of each tweet. Values closer to 1 mean a positive sentiment and values closer to -1 means negative sentiment. We can be using this feature to build our machine learning models.

```
In [ ]: politext['sentiment'] = politext['TEXT'].apply(lambda x: TextBlob(x).sentiment[0] )
        politext[['TEXT', 'sentiment']].head()
```

Predictive Analysis

```
In [ ]: def pred_analysis(vector_count, pipeline, class_labels):
        names = vector_count.get_feature_names()
        for i, class_label in enumerate(class_labels):
            top = np.argsort(pipeline.coef_[i])[-20:]
            print("\n%s: %s\n" % (class_label, " ".join(names[j] for j in top)))

        print("Featured Words Interpreted for Message Types:\n")
        pred_analysis(poli_pipe.get_params()['vector_count'], poli_pipe.get_params()['pipeline'])
```

The `inform_feature` function prints the most informative words the models used to predict the message type for a given tweet. Glancing over the printed list, which is not static but rather changes each train/test split, many of these features make intuitive sense. For instance, in ‘support’ the expressions ‘congratulations,’ ‘honoring,’ and ‘thank’ are used. For ‘attack’ you see ‘enforcing’ and ‘obamacare’, in ‘media’ you see ‘cspan’, ‘live’, ‘watch’, ‘interview’, and ‘tune’. You also see some clear examples of overfitting. If there is a single tweet with a unique word mapping to one message type, it is likely that the model will use it and place heavy emphasis on the unique feature. Certain words do map strongly towards specific message types and therefore, some tweaking would be involved (beyond the scope of this project, perhaps). The SVM model predicts fairly well and has an additional capabilities.

2.1 Capabilities (Beyond Scope of Project)

Looking at tweets from four Congressional representatives from Colorado, we can do a hypothetical test where potentially the capabilities of the predictor could be used, for example, to be linked with a live Twitter media feed, continuously consuming live content, and classifying the tweets. In turn, with more complex implementation, the predictors could do more than just classify tweets and have a wide realm of use in various industries.

```
In [ ]: congress_tweets = ["ICYMI: Be sure to watch this @FOX21News clip on my recent trip to A",
                           "My job is to represent Colorado in the United States Senate and that",
                           "Having only a few hours to read and digest huge bills is an absurd way",
                           "Please keep in your prayers all of those impacted by the fires burnin",
                           "Ending TPS for Hondurans forces tens of thousands of law-abiding indi",
                           "The Colorado teacher walkouts are part of a growing movement around t",
                           "By electing Jared Polis as our next governor, we'll be doing more than",
                           "Climate change is real & the consequences are becoming a reality. If v",

        senator = ["Sen. Cory Gardner", "Sen. Cory Gardner", "Rep. Ken Buck", "Rep. Ken Buck",
                    "Rep. Cory Gardner", "Rep. Cory Gardner", "Rep. Ken Buck", "Rep. Ken Buck"],
        pred = poli_pipe.predict(congress_tweets)

        for i in range(len(congress_tweets)):
            print("\n{} tweeted: \n{}\n\n Predicted message type: {}\n-----".format(
```

The implementation is there, and as discussed earlier, further tuning (beyond the scope of this project) would need occur. Political messages could be difficult to classify based on length of message, multiple topics of discussion, ambiguity in text, etc. The function provides a good baseline for future development and capabilities in terms of its ability to broadly classify messages.

CONCLUSION

For this project, I was curious to see how well the NaiveBayes and Support Vector Machine classifiers performed for sentiment analysis, along with nltk (natural language toolkit). What I found was it did work rather well with any necessary text cleanup and minimizing text ambiguity. I think my understanding and interpretation of machine learning techniques improved while putting this together, but certainly completing similar would allow for a better grasp on the capabilities and limitations of implementing them in the future. All in all, text sentiment analysis proved to be a worthwhile challenge where I spent the majority of my time pre-processing the text data.

- Future implementation (beyond scope of class) is using Wordnet, which is a powerful tool to find synonyms and antonyms. Possible use case would be translation of foreign words (would be interesting to see what the rest of the world thinks of U.S. presidents..cough..cough).

Reference: Common Stop Words {'ourselves', 'hers', 'between', 'yourself', 'but', 'again', 'there', 'about', 'once', 'during', 'out', 'very', 'having', 'with', 'they', 'own', 'an', 'be', 'some', 'for', 'do', 'its', 'yours', 'such', 'into', 'of', 'most', 'itself', 'other', 'off', 'is', 's', 'am', 'or', 'who', 'as', 'from', 'him', 'each', 'the', 'themselves', 'until', 'below', 'are', 'we', 'these', 'your', 'his', 'through', 'don', 'nor', 'me', 'were', 'her', 'more', 'himself', 'this', 'down', 'should', 'our', 'their', 'while', 'above', 'both', 'up', 'to', 'ours', 'had', 'she', 'all', 'no', 'when', 'at', 'any', 'before', 'them', 'same', 'and', 'been', 'have', 'in', 'will', 'on', 'does', 'yourselves', 'then', 'that', 'because', 'what', 'over', 'why', 'so', 'can', 'did', 'not', 'now', 'under', 'he', 'you', 'herself', 'has', 'just', 'where', 'too', 'only', 'myself', 'which', 'those', 'i', 'after', 'few', 'whom', 't', 'being', 'if', 'theirs', 'my', 'against', 'a', 'by', 'doing', 'it', 'how', 'further', 'was', 'here', 'than'}