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Sentimental Smacking: An ML Toolkit Exploration

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Problem: Sentiment Analysis

- Sentiment analysis is relevant in a wide range of areas across computing.
- But for non-programmers, do popular ML toolkits provide enough functionality for NLP tasks?
- We decided to answer with a popular event that caused social media commotion.



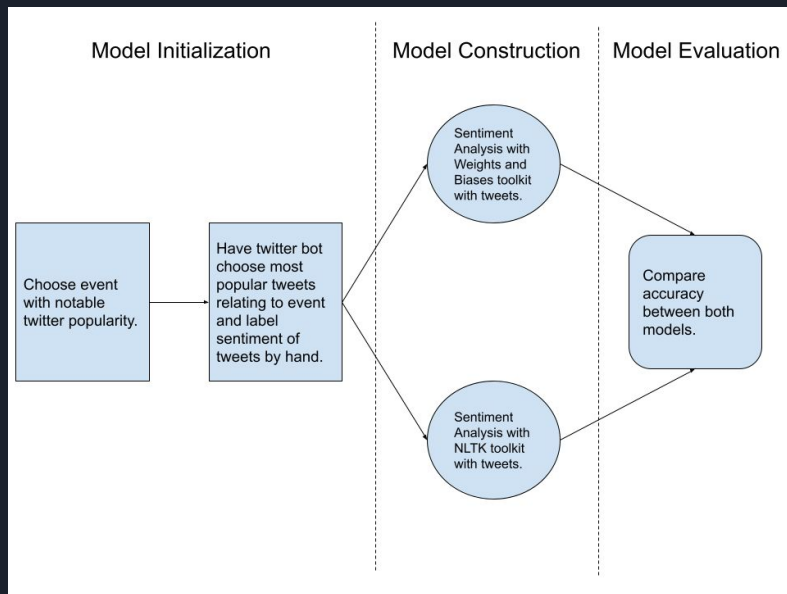
What event was that?



Pictured: Will Smith striking Chris Rock after making a joke about Jada Pinkett Smith's lack of hair due to alopecia at the 2022 Oscars ceremony.

Design

- Step 1: Initialization
 - After choosing a popular event, use our in-house Twitter bot to find tweets pertaining to event.
- Step 2: Construction
 - Perform sentiment analysis on tweets with:
 - Weights and Biases (popular GUI ML toolkit).
 - NLTK (popular NLP library for industry).





Evaluation

- Step 3: Evaluation
 - Obtain accuracy scores from outputs of models.
 - Scores will be compared between models to determine the model that performs best for Twitter sentiment analysis.



Plan

Roles:

- Jarred - Software Engineer
 - Handle Twitter Bot and model creation
- Jeffrey - Data Scientist
 - Handle data-driven operations and analysis

Timeline:

1. Create Twitter Bot to gather data - April 8
2. Perform sentiment analysis using both ML models. - April 15
3. Compare accuracy scores of both models. - April 22
4. Document findings in tidied report - April 29