# HUMOR & SARCASM DETECTION

Presented by
The Anti-Sarcasm Sarcastic Club

## MEET THE CLUB



"Boat Boy"

MOPPEL

Grinnell College, `23



JOHN
"LeetCode"
BILLOS
Wake Forest, '24



ALBERT
"Not Geoffrey"

JING

Carleton College, '25



GEOFFREY
"Not Albert"
JING
Carleton College, `25

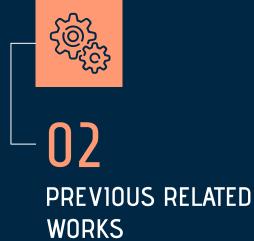


YUSUF
"Edgy Jokes
Trained the
Model" ISMAIL

Carleton College, `24

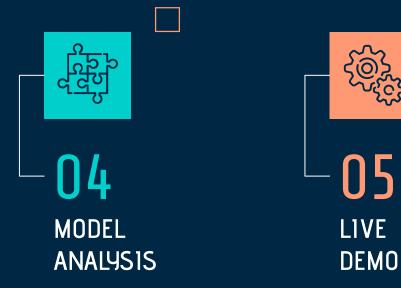
## PRESENTATION OUTLINE







## PRESENTATION OUTLINE (cont.)





# DESCRIPTION & MOTIVATION







## OUR PROCESS

Evaluate performance of all models on **30K News Headlines** labeled as cleaned dataset and Sarcastic/Humorous determine highest performing model or not MODELING **TUNING DATA EVALUATION** Build suite of different Fine-tune models: Neural hyperparameters of

Networks, kNN, Naive

Bayes, XGBoost, Random Forest, etc. the winning model

## OUR MOTIVATION

#### **CHALLENGE**

Humor & Sarcasm

Detection is still an
active field of research





#### OPEN-ENDED

Always room for improvement (ex. text-scraping)

#### TWIN ID FAILED

Can we design a facial-rec model to distinguish between Geoffrey & Albert?





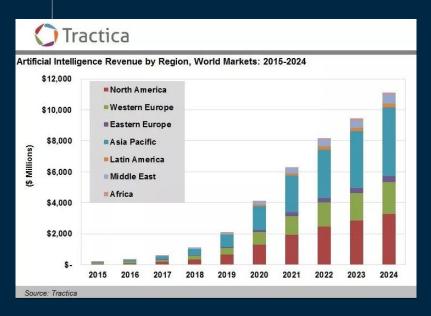
#### LEARNING

New modelling and data-transformation techniques

## PREVIOUS RELATED WORKS



## **AI Market Trends**

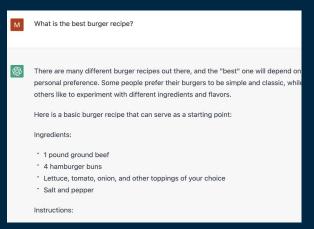


#### Job Openings, Skills Breakdown (Monster.com) 15k Machine Learning Deep Learning Job Listings 10k Computer Vision Speech Recognition 5k 2017 2015 2016 Year

## Communication with Machines

```
Welcome to
                   EEEEEE LL
                                                 ΑΑΑΑΑΑΑ
                   EEEEEE LLLLLL IIII ZZZZZZ
 Eliza is a mock Rogerian psychotherapist.
 The original program was described by Joseph Weizenbaum in 1966.
 This implementation by Norbert Landsteiner 2005.
ELIZA: Is something troubling you ?
YOU: Men are all alike.
ELIZA: What is the connection, do you suppose?
YOU: They're always bugging us about something or other.
ELIZA: Can you think of a specific example ?
YOU: Well, my boyfriend made me come here.
ELIZA: Is it important to you that your boyfriend made you come here ?
YOU: He says I'm depressed much of the time.
ELIZA: I am sorry to hear that you are depressed.
YOU: It's true. I am unhappy.
ELIZA: Can you explain what made you unhappy ?
```





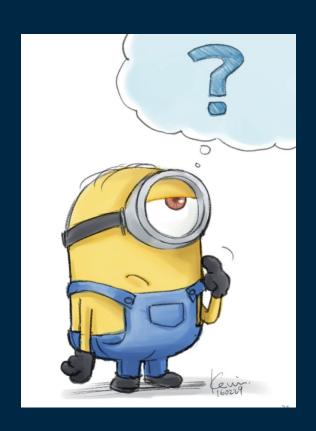
50s-70s

90s

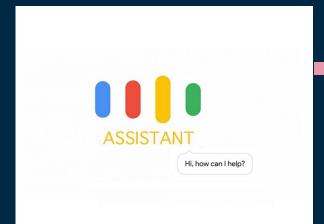
Today

## WHY IS NLP HARD?

- 1. Ambiguity
- 2. Scale
- 3. Sparsity
- 4. Variation
- **5.** Expressity
- **6.** Unknown representations



## NLP TODAY



#### Daily News Headlines

8 years from 2008-2016



#### **Dow Jones**

Industrial Average(DJIA) Same day close value







University of Georgia

## ChatGPT: Optimizing Language Models for Dialogue





## **TECHNOLOGIES**

NAME DESCRIPTION **EXAMPLES** NATURAL Subfield of linguistics, Computer Science and AI concerned with LANGUAGE Speech Recognition, etc. the interactions between **PROCESSING** computers and human language. Convolutional (CNN), Long Artificial network of artificial Short Term Memory (LSTM), **NEURAL NETWORKS** neurons (perceptrons) used for Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU), solving Al problems. etc. Process of transforming data into DATA ENCODING a digestible format for regression N-grams, TF-IDF, etc. (NN) algorithms. ADVANCED ML Advanced regression techniques XGBoost, BERT, Word2Vec, tailored towards NLP problems. etc. ALGORITHMS

## DATA CLEANING & PREPROCESSING





### **HUMOR EXPLAINED**

<u>Humor</u>: the capacity to express or perceive what's funny, is both a source of entertainment and a means of coping with difficult or awkward situations and stressful events.

<u>Sarcasm</u>: a type of phenomenon with specific perlocutionary effects on the hearer, such as to break their pattern of expectation.



Correct understanding of humor/sarcasm requires an understanding of the <u>utterance</u>, the <u>conversational</u> <u>context</u>, and, frequently some <u>real-world facts</u>.

## DATA ENCODING TECHNIQUES



Bag of Words

TF-IDF



**Count Vectorization** 



Word2Vec



N-Grams



**BERT** 





## DATASET

#### **News Headlines Dataset For Sarcasm Detection**

High quality dataset for the task of Sarcasm and Fake News Detection



30,000

Observations

(Individual Headlines)

3

#### Datapoints/Observation

- 1. Headline (string)
- 2. Link to the Article (hyperlink)
- 3. Humorous/Sarcastic? (binary)

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#### **News Sources**

- 1. The Onion
- 2. HuffPost

## SAMPLE OBSERVATION (RAW)

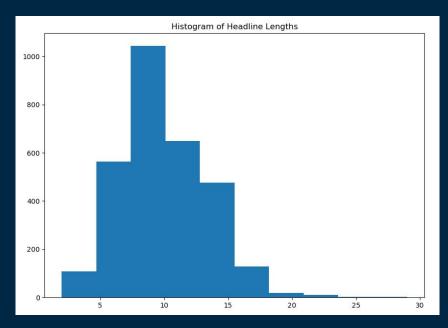
### Sarcastic/Humorous:

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is_sarcastic
headline mother comes pretty close to using word 'strea...
article_link https://www.theonion.com/mother-comes-pretty-c...
Name: 4, dtype: object
```

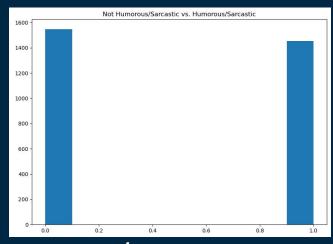
## Not Sarcastic/Humorous:

```
is_sarcastic
headline eat your veggies: 9 deliciously different recipes
article_link https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/eat-your-...
Name: 2, dtype: object
```

## DATASET SUMMARY STATISTICS



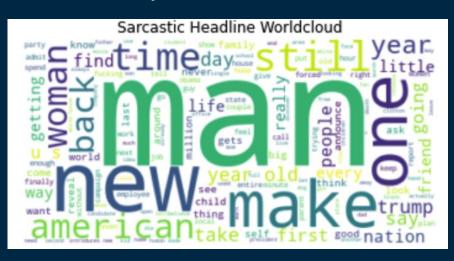
Headline Lengths



Sarcastic/Humorous vs. Not Sarcastic/Humorous

## DATASET WORD CLOUDS

#### Sarcastic/Humorous Headlines



#### **Not** Sarcastic/Humorous Headlines



## MODEL ANALYSIS

## **MODELS**

K Nearest Neighbors (kNN)

Naive Bayes

XG Boost

**Decision Trees** 

Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers (BERT)

Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)

Random Forests

Long Short Term Memory Network (LSTM)

Gated Recurrent Unit Network (GRU)

Logistic Regression

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Logistic Reg.	0.79	0.41	0.54	0.63	0.90	0.74
Random Forest	0.62	0.55	0.59	0.63	0.70	0.67
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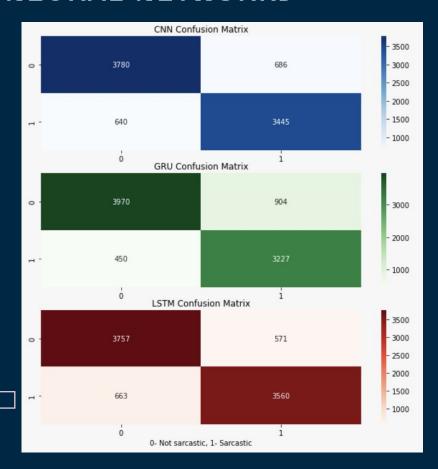
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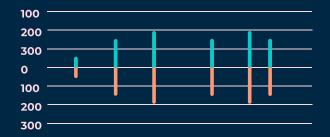
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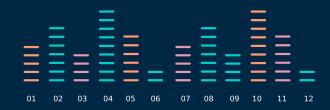
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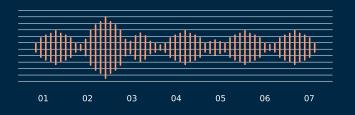
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## **NEURAL NETWORKS**









# **BERT**



# **BERT**

Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers



# Example

After stealing money from the bank vault, the bank robber was seen fishing on the Mississippi river bank.

```
First 5 vector values for each instance of "bank".

bank vault tensor([ 3.3596, -2.9805, -1.5421, 0.7065, 2.0031])

bank robber tensor([ 2.7359, -2.5577, -1.3094, 0.6797, 1.6633])

river bank tensor([ 1.5266, -0.8895, -0.5152, -0.9298, 2.8334])
```

# BERT 94% accuracy



epoch					
1	0.27	0.21	0.92	0:04:33	0:00:10
2	0.12	0.22	0.93	0:04:33	0:00:10
3	0.06	0.23	0.94	0:04:33	0:00:11
4	0.03	0.28	0.94	0:04:33	0:00:11

# SHAP explainer

Some words have greater effects than others

Open this <u>link</u>



### **BERT**

#### Advantages:

- Very accurate
- Pre-trained
- Versatile, there is multiple versions with multiple datasets that they were trained on
- Easy to fine tune
- Developed by google and has lots of support
- Can be equipped with explainers very easily
- Contextual understanding

#### Disadvantages:

- Takes very long time to fine tune
- Pytorch is more complicated than tensorflow but explainers are easily adapted into it afterwards
- Much more code than neural networks



# NEXT 06 STEPS

# If We Had More Time...

- 1. Repeat previous analysis with TF-IDF Data Encoding
- 2. Refine Neural Network Models (CNN, GRU, LSTM)
- 3. Enhance Neural Network models through web-scraping article content using each observations' hyperlink
- 4. Investigate Word2Vec Encoding
- 5. Enhance the BERT encoder



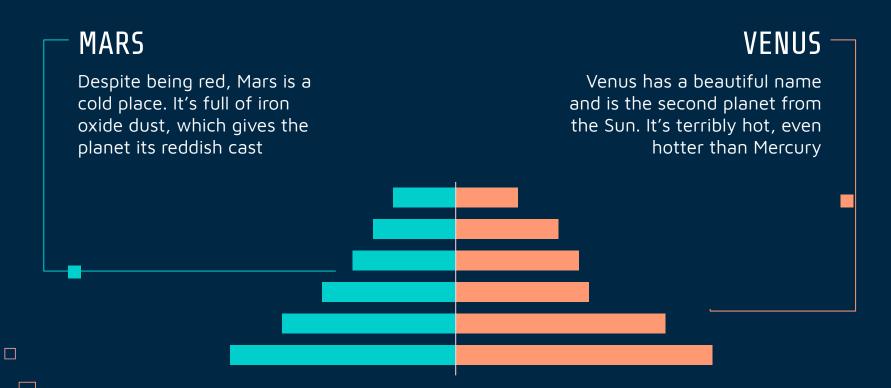
# Questions? WARNING: If you don't want a sarcastic answer, don't ask a stupid question...

## OUR COMPANY

Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and the smallest one in the Solar System—it's only a bit larger than the Moon. The planet's name has nothing to do with the liquid metal



# UNDERSTANDING THE PROBLEM



# MAIN COMPETITORS

#### **NEPTUNE**

It's the farthest planet from the Sun

#### **MARS**

Despite being red, Mars
is a cold place

#### **VENUS**

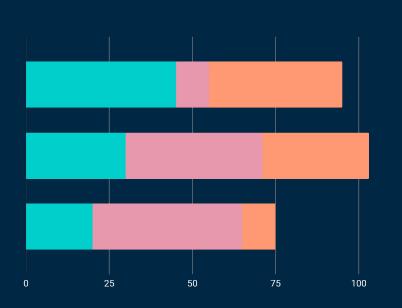
Venus is the second planet from the Sun

#### SATURN

It's composed mostly of hydrogen and helium



# MARKET RESEARCH



#### **NEPTUNE**

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#### **MERCURY**

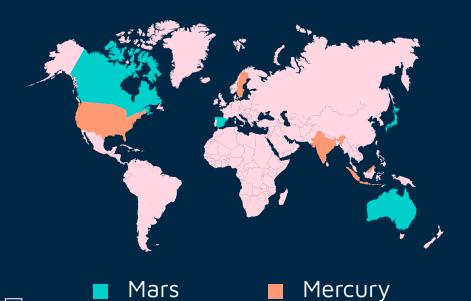
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#### SATURN

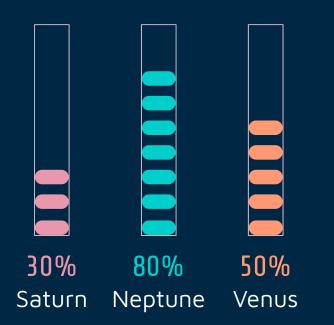
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# **ANALYSIS**

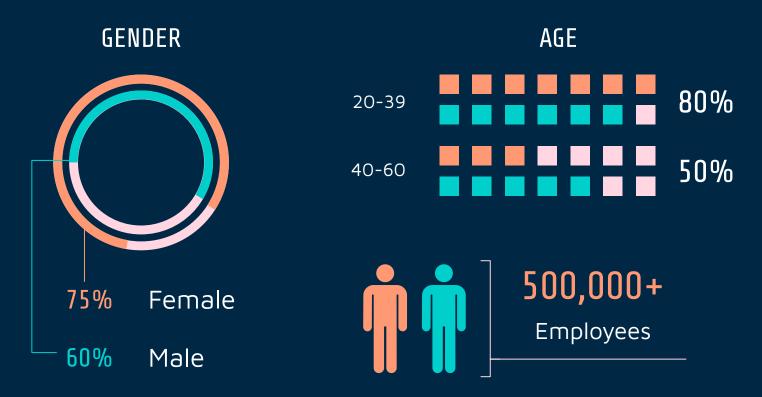




#### TOP RATED VALUES



# **TARGET**





"This is a quote. Words full of wisdom that someone important said and can make the reader get inspired."

-SOMEONE FAMOUS

# **OUR PARTNERS**



## **TESTIMONIALS**



"Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun and the smallest of them all"

—RYAN DIXON



"Saturn is composed mostly of hydrogen and helium"

—BILLY BROOKS



"Venus has a beautiful name and is the second planet from the Sun"

—ALIYA FARLEY



"The Sun is the star at the center of the Solar System"

—LUCY JADE



"Jupiter is a gas giant and the biggest planet in the Solar System"

—HENRY McKANE



"Neptune is the fourth-largest planet in the Solar System"

—ROSE CLARK

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Big numbers catch your audience's attention



# UPCOMING GOALS

**JUPITER** 

JUNE 2



It's the biggest planet in the Solar System

**SATURN** 

OCTOBER 14



Saturn is composed mostly of hydrogen and helium

**NEPTUNE** 

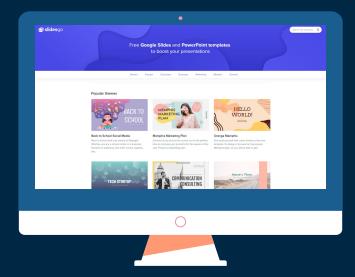
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Neptune is the farthest planet from the Sun

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