



# Suicide Prediction

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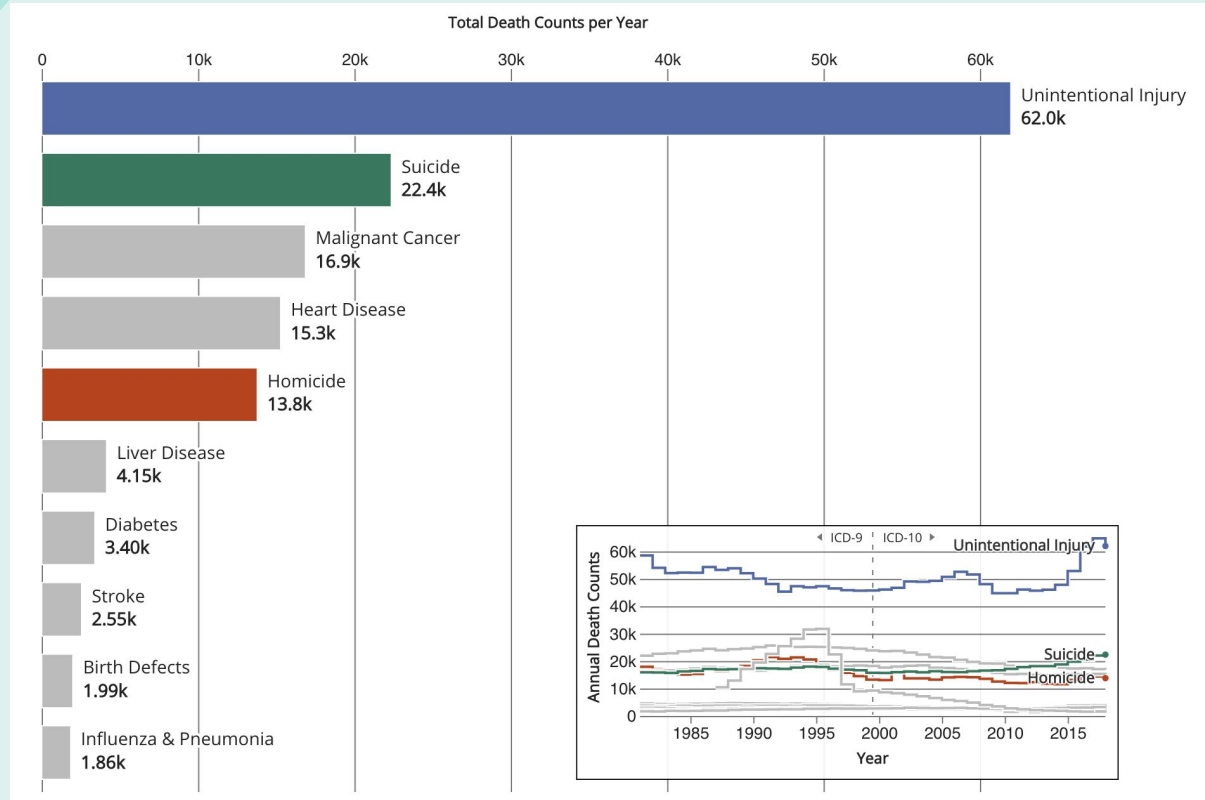
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# PROBLEM



Age 1 to 44 group, 2018

Source:  
[CDC website](https://www.cdc.gov)

# OBJECTIVES



## IMPACT OF COVID19

Find how COVID19 has changed our daily lives and how we, general public, feel everyday



## SUICIDE PREDICTION MODEL

Using TF-IDF vectorizer, create a label with semi-supervised learning method, then build a model to predict whether the post is suggestive of suicide

# PROCESS

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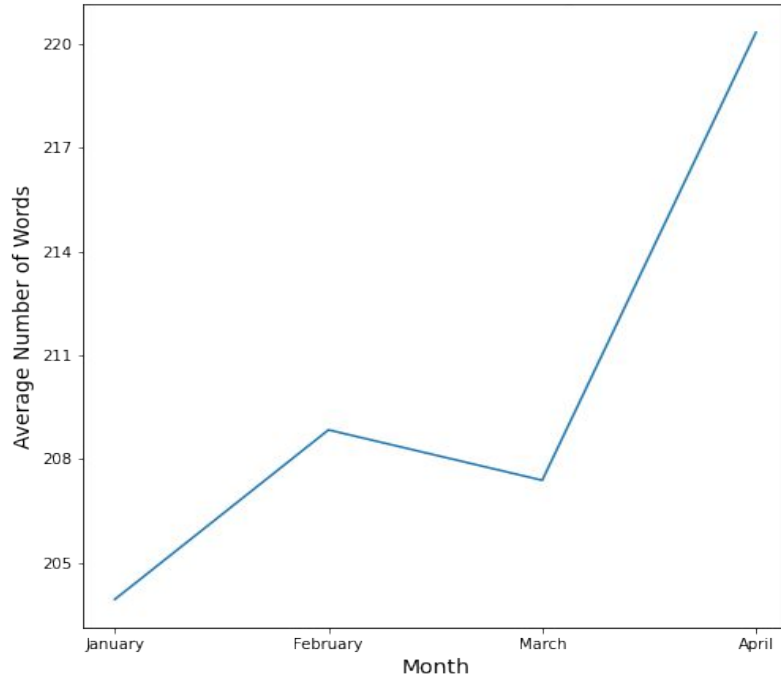
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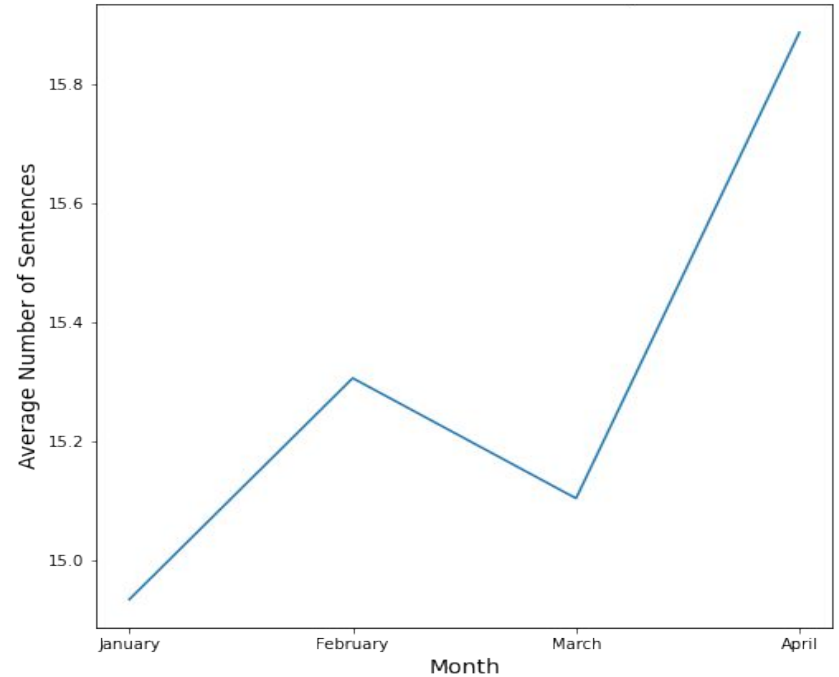
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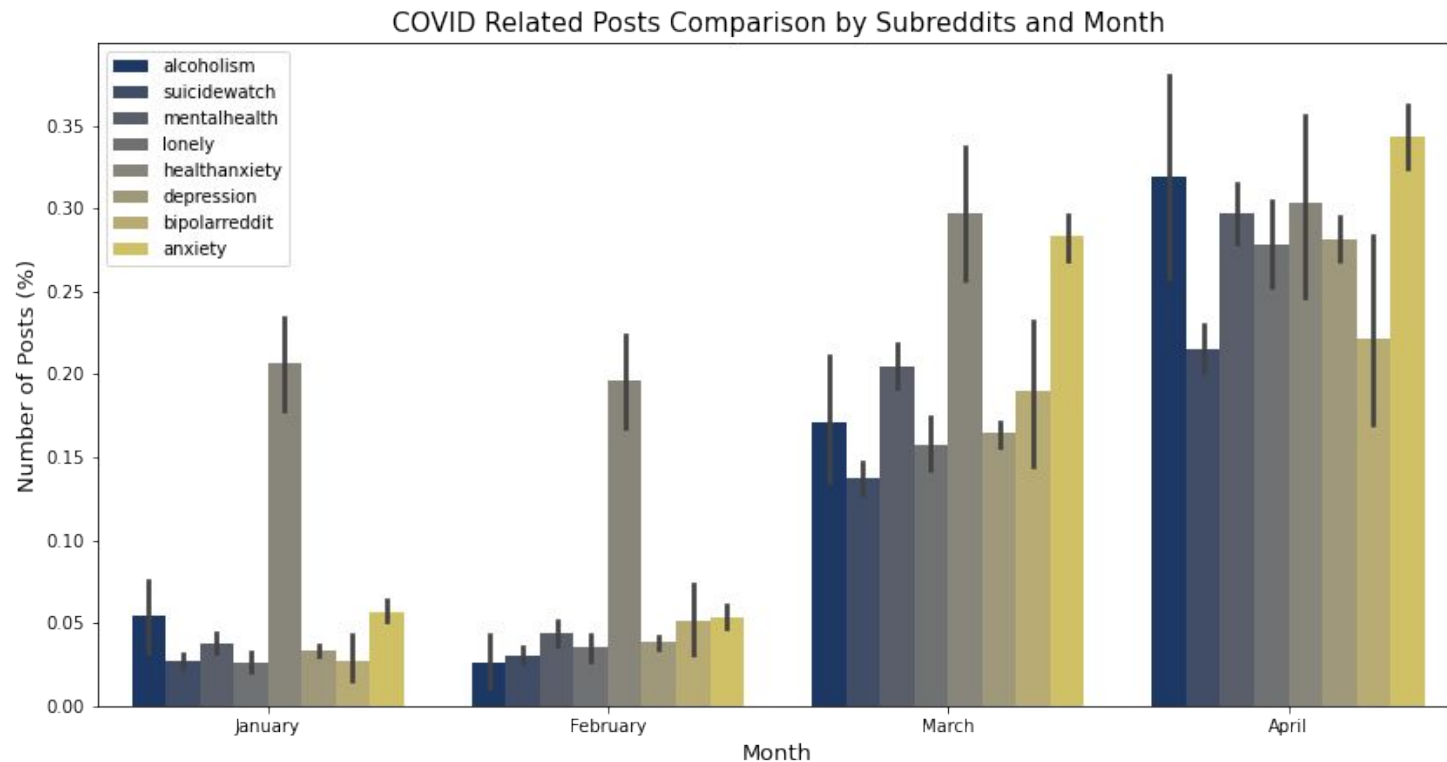
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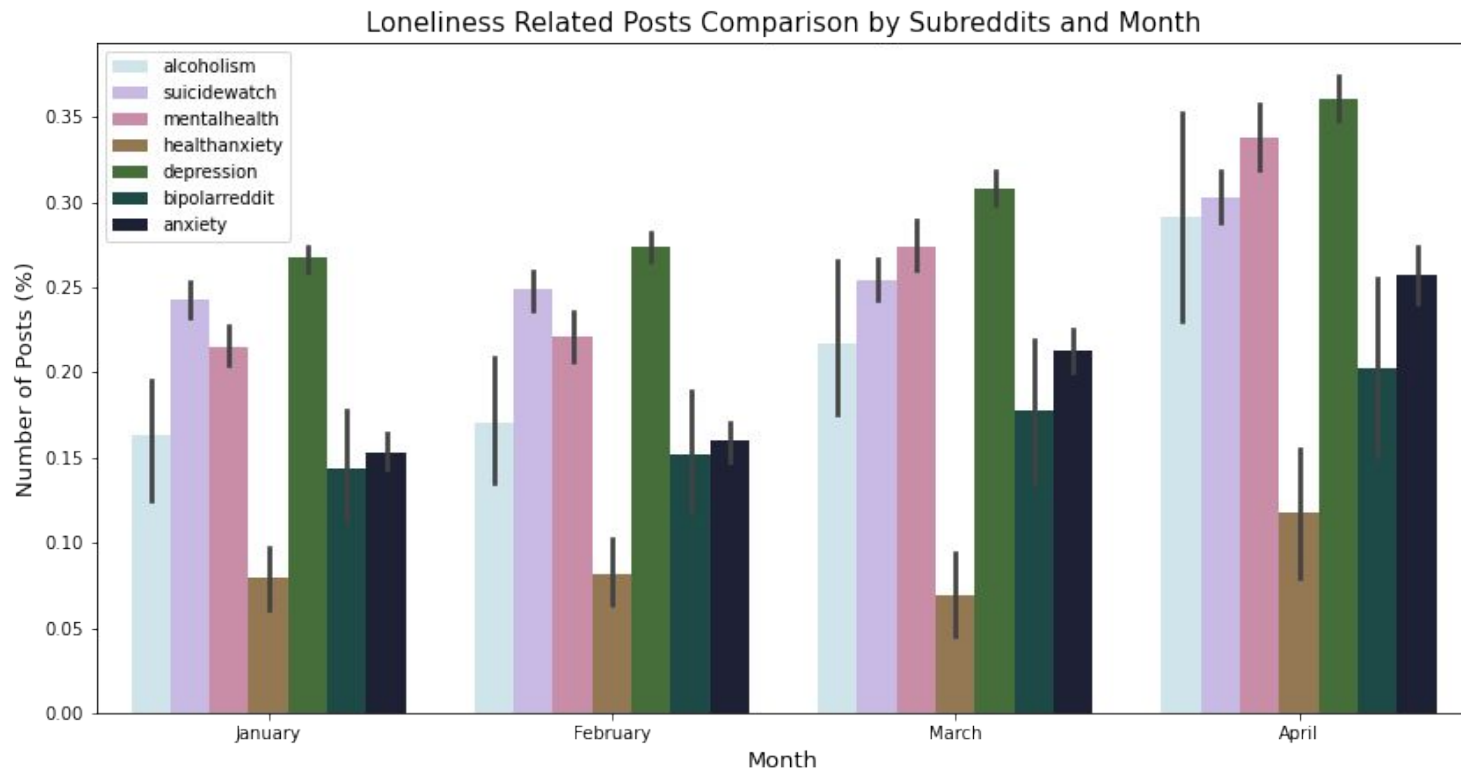
Number of Sentences in a Post by Month



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### Most Common Words

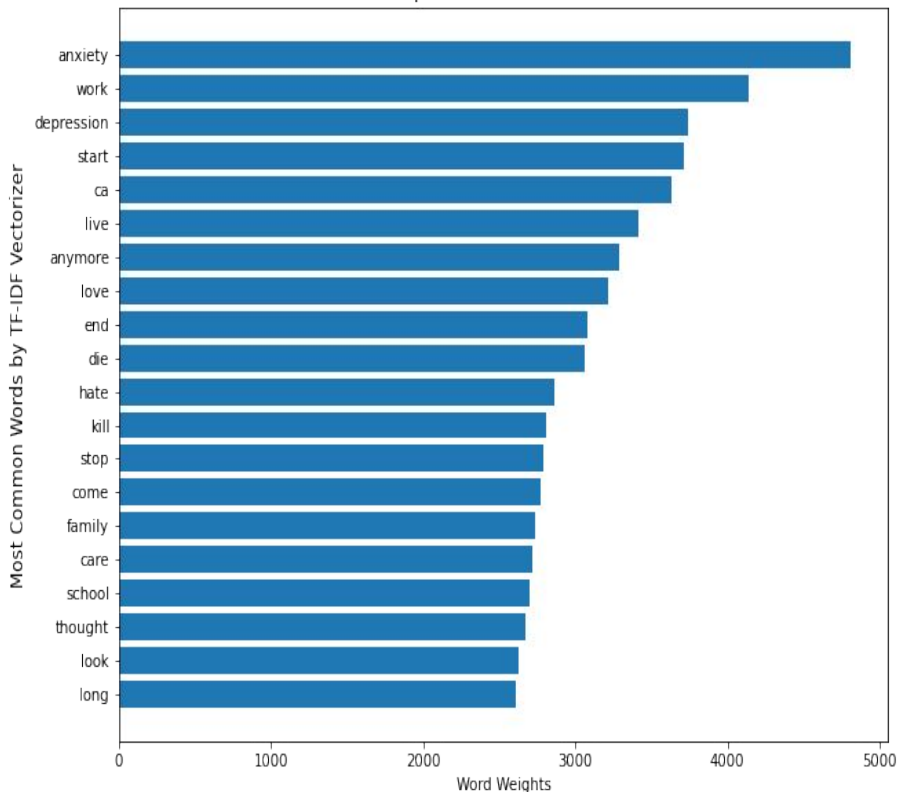


### Most Common Words in Suicidewatch

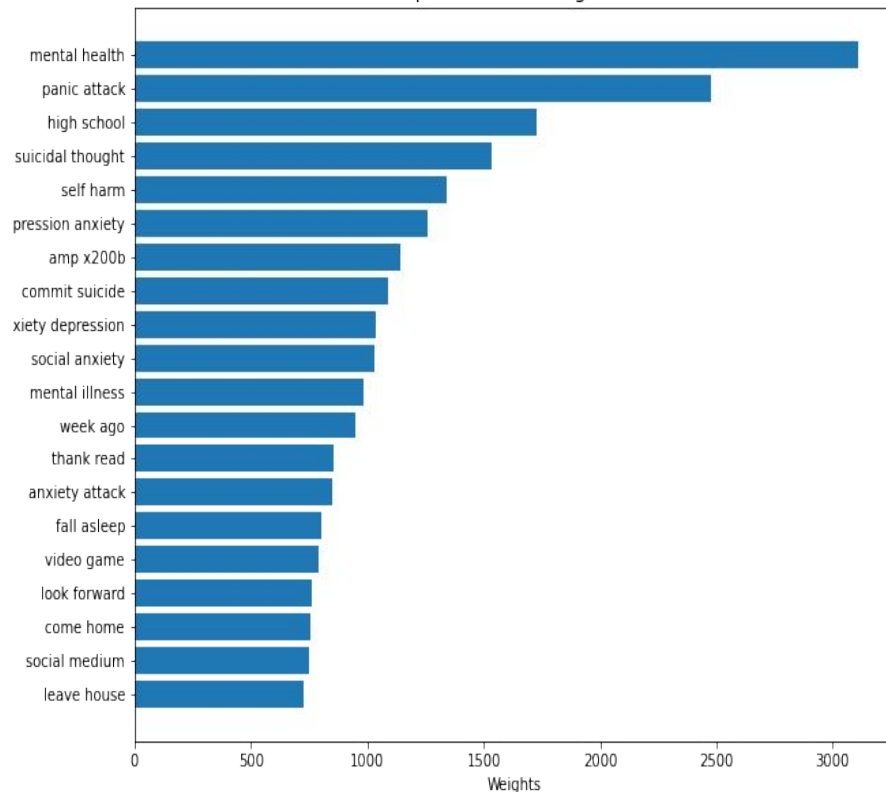


# PREPROCESSING

Top 20 Common words



Top 20 Common 2-grams



# UNSUPERVISED LEARNING

- t-SNE: No definitive clusters detected
- KMeans: Maximum silhouette score of 0.94
  - ➔ 3 clusters, unsuccessful
- Feature Agglomerative Clustering: Grouping every single vector
- Homogeneous data

# SEMI-SUPERVISED

## Label Spreading

Subreddit	Label
Alcoholism	0.06285
Anxiety	0.107574
Bipolar	0.074561
Depression	0.217601
Health Anxiety	0.055624
Lonely	0.175487
Mental Health	0.151621
Suicide Watch	0.339623

## Semi-Supervised Learning:

Uses a combined dataset of a small amount of labeled data with a large amount of unlabeled data during training to create pseudo labels.

## Label Spreading:

Minimizes a loss function that has regularization properties, as such it is often **robust to noise**. The algorithm iterates on a modified version of the original graph and normalizes the edge weights by computing the normalized graph Laplacian matrix.

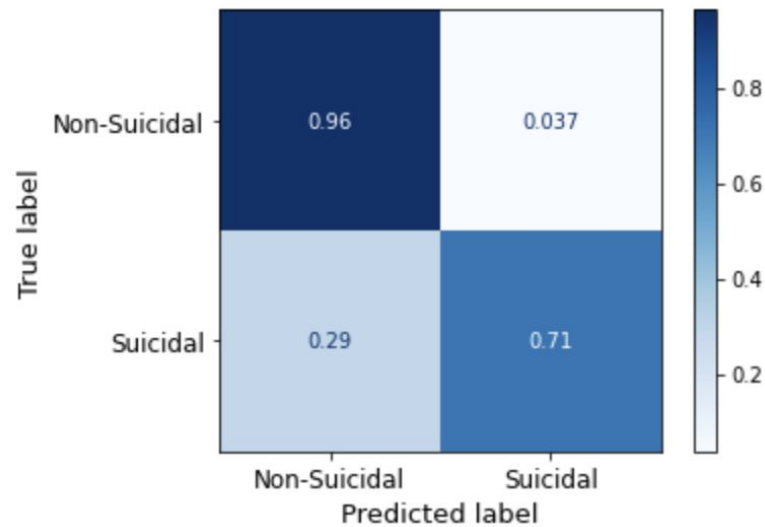
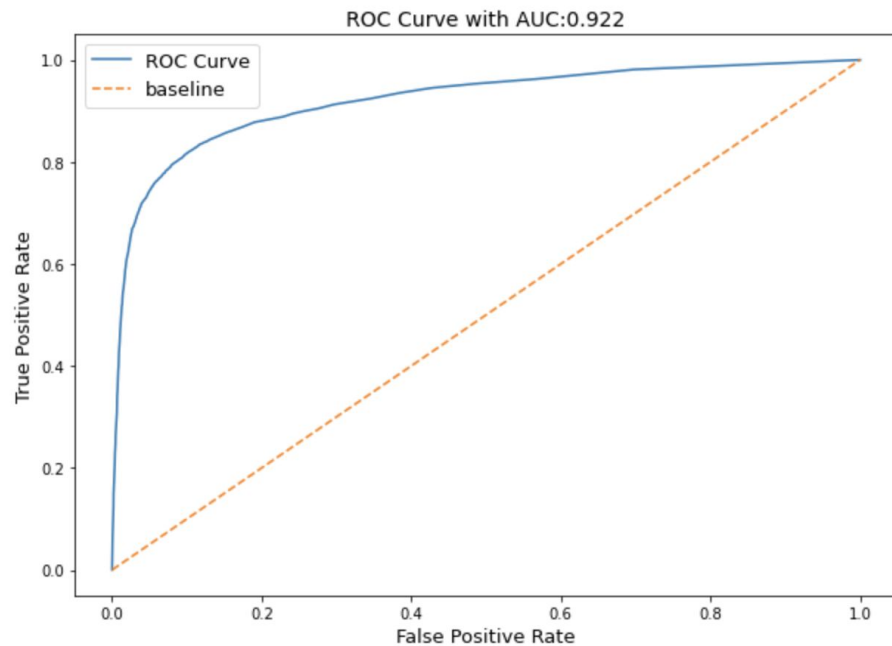
# MODEL PERFORMANCE

NEURAL NETWORK	Bidirectional LSTM	CNN LSTM
Train Loss	0.329	0.322
Test Loss	0.377	0.400
Train Accuracy	0.857	0.860
Test Accuracy	0.835	0.830

# MODEL PERFORMANCE

CLASSIC CLASSIFIERS	Support Vector Machine		XGBoost	
	Non-Suicidal	Suicidal	Non-Suicidal	Suicidal
Precision	0.93	0.85	0.93	0.83
Recall	0.97	0.73	0.96	0.71
F1 Score	0.95	0.79	0.95	0.73

# BEST MODEL



# TAKEAWAY



Pandemic's impact is greater for those with mental health issues



Mental illness is not a character defect



Need more data to interpret historical trend, especially seasonality, as well as other posts from subreddits that are not related to mental Health to look at the impact of Pandemic



Suicidal detection is possible with enough data and model training:  
still room for improvement - trying other word embeddings and adding layers or tuning parameters further would be worth experimenting



Things to consider: privacy, ethics, and etc.



# MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

[Social Work License Map](#) (60 Digital Resources for Mental Health)

[Mental Health Gov.](#)

[National Institute of Mental Health](#)

[National Help Line](#) (SAMHSA: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration)

[Mental Health First Aid](#)

[Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#) at 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

# CITATION

## **Data obtained from**

[Low, Daniel M., Rumker, Laurie, Talker, Tanya, Torous, John, Cecchi, Guillermo, & Ghosh, Satrajit S. \(2020\). Reddit Mental Health Dataset \(Version 01\)](#)

[Reddit Mental Health Dataset](#)

## **Inspiration for this project**

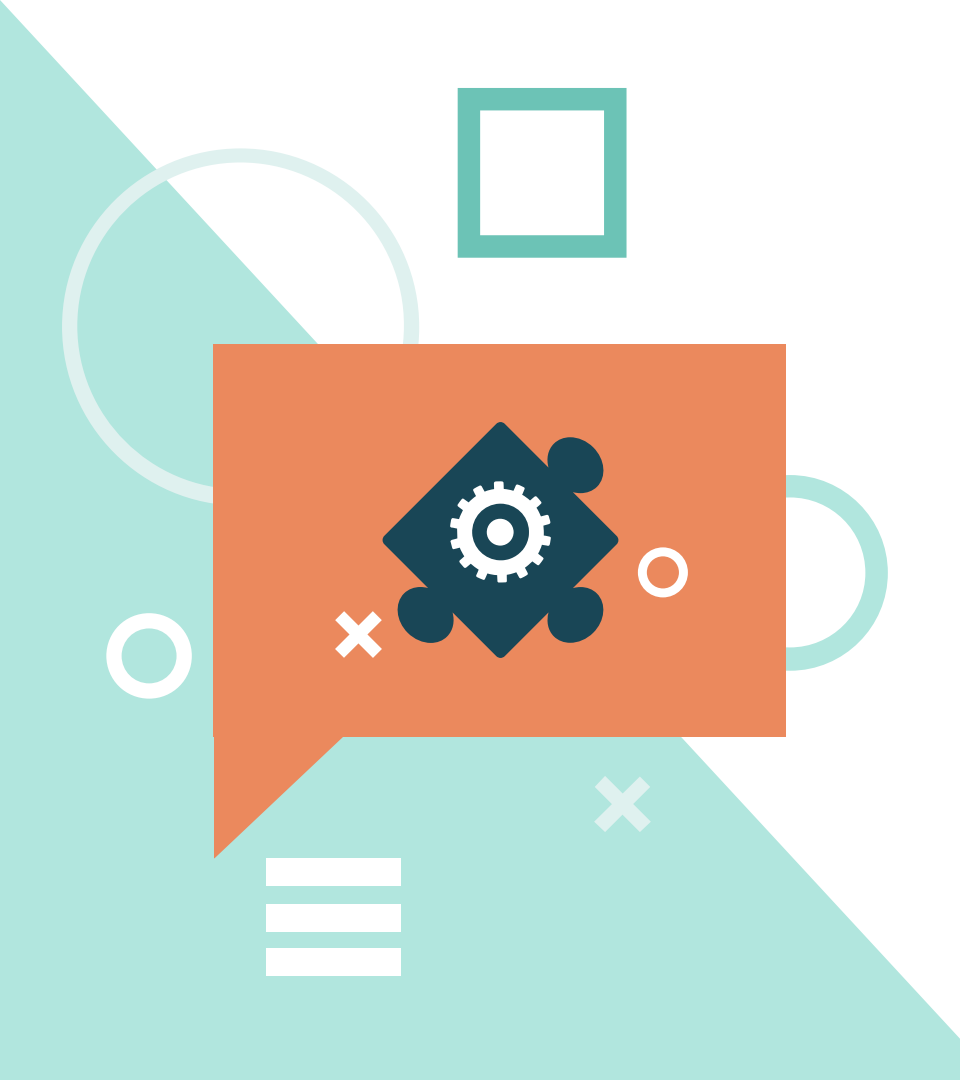
[COVID-19 could lead to an epidemic of clinical depression, and the health care system isn't ready for that, either](#)

## **Articles about semi-supervised learning**

[Rediscovering Semi-Supervised Learning](#)

## **More information about semi-supervised learning**

[sklearn.semi\\_supervised](#)

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Ran into a guy I played football with in high school today. As he's introducing me to his gf he says, "This is John he was the only popular kid in high school who didn't bully me. He was actually my friend." Just a reminder that people never forget how you make them feel

# THANKS

Any questions?

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