# **Project Presentation**

#### **Social Media Data Science**

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# Research question and motivation

- track emergence of conspiracy around 15-minute cities on YouTube
- show effect on search results & engagement metrics

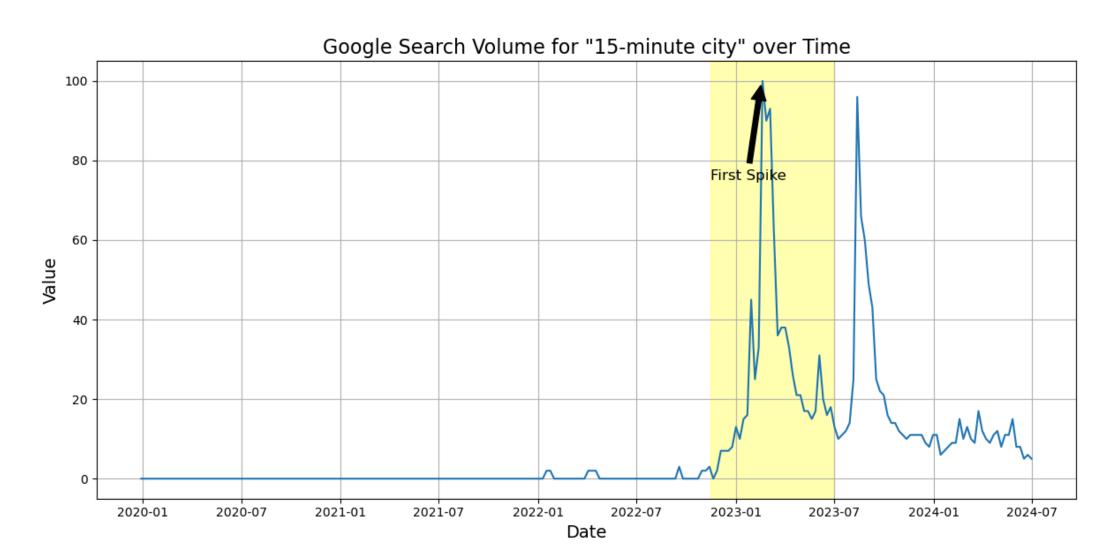
### **Hypotheses**

- 1. first spike in public interest -> % of conspirative videos increases
- 2. conspirative videos -> comments more negative
- 3. video is conspirative -> higher engagement rates per view

### **Data and methods**

- 1. google trends -> determine spikes in public interest
- 2. youtube api -> data & comments of most-viewed videos per week
- 3. by hand -> classify sample of videos as conspirative / non-conspirative
- 4. supervised text analysis -> classify complete dataset & evaluate
- 5. LEIA -> obtain sentiments of comments
- 6. Statistical analysis

### Results



# **Conclusion and critique**

- google trends shows clear spike -> useful cutoff point
- heavy use of YouTube API -> data retrieval needs scheduling
- second spike unexpected -> potentially counters trend?

### Thank you for listening!