# Micro IT Project 1: Sentiment Analysis

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#### Introduction

- Sentiment analysis is a machine learning technique used to determine the emotional tone behind text data.
- This project focuses on analyzing customer reviews to classify sentiments as positive, negative, or neutral.
- The goal is to understand user feedback for products or services using natural language processing (NLP).

# Objectives of the Project

- Develop a system to automatically classify text sentiments using NLP techniques.
- Analyze a large dataset of customer reviews (1200 entries) to identify emotional trends.
- Visualize sentiment distribution to provide actionable insights for businesses.
- Gain hands-on experience with machine learning and data processing tools.

### Tools and Technologies

- Python: Core programming language for implementation.
- NLTK (Natural Language Toolkit): For sentiment analysis using the VADER model.
- Pandas: For handling and processing the CSV dataset.
- Matplotlib & Seaborn: For visualizing sentiment distribution.
- VS Code: As the development environment.

# System Design and Architecture

- Input: A CSV file with 1200 customer reviews in a text column.
- Preprocessing: Convert text to lowercase, remove punctuation, tokenize, and filter stopwords.
- **Sentiment Analysis**: Use VADER to compute sentiment scores and classify as Positive, Negative, or Neutral.
- Output: Display results in a table, visualize with a bar chart, and save to a new CSV

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{Input} \to \mathsf{Preprocessing} \to \mathsf{Sentiment} \ \mathsf{Analysis} \to \mathsf{Visualization} \\ \to \mathsf{Output} \end{array}$ 

### Implementation Details

- Data Generation: Created a script (generate\_reviews\_csv.py) to produce 1200 synthetic reviews.
- **Script**: sentiment\_analysis.py loads the CSV, preprocesses text, applies VADER, and visualizes results.
- **Preprocessing Steps**: Lowercase conversion, punctuation removal, tokenization, stopword removal.
- Output: Table of sentiments, bar chart of distribution, and sentiment\_results.csv.

# This Internship Project Taught Me

- Practical application of NLP and machine learning in real-world scenarios.
- Handling large datasets and preprocessing text data effectively.
- Using visualization tools to interpret and present data insights.
- Debugging and resolving issues in Python, such as NLTK resource errors and file handling.
- Importance of clear documentation and structured project workflow.

#### Future Scope

- Integrate more advanced models like BERT for improved sentiment accuracy.
- Expand the dataset to include multilingual reviews for broader applicability.
- Develop a web interface for real-time sentiment analysis of user inputs.
- Incorporate sentiment trends over time to track changes in customer feedback.
- Deploy the system on a cloud platform for scalability and accessibility.