# Twitter Text Analysis with @WeAreRLadies

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#### What is a RoCur?

Rotating Curation or Rotating Curator

Rotating the spokesperson on a social media account

Fun Fact: the first RoCur was @Sweden

Other cool RoCurs: @IAmSciComm, @Neurotweeps



#### @WeAreRLadies

Every week, a different R-Lady takes over our twitter account.

They discuss their experiences:

how they use R

tips & tricks, favorite resources

questions & confusions





R

I ended my day by trying to install 'RcppParallel' and IT WOULD NOT WORK until I installed directly from the github repo

This happens to me often, but instead of staying zen, I always go and apply various chaotic strategies of making things work.





# Since August 2018...

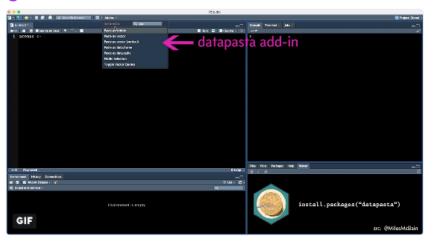


wild-caught data... 

"datapasta: R Tools for Data Copy-Pasta"

@MilesMcBain

github.com/MilesMcBain/da... #rstats



4:20 AM - 20 Aug 2018

30 Retweets 98 Likes

**13K+** Followers

**43** Awesome Curators

**18** Countries represented

(3 Chicago R-Ladies!)

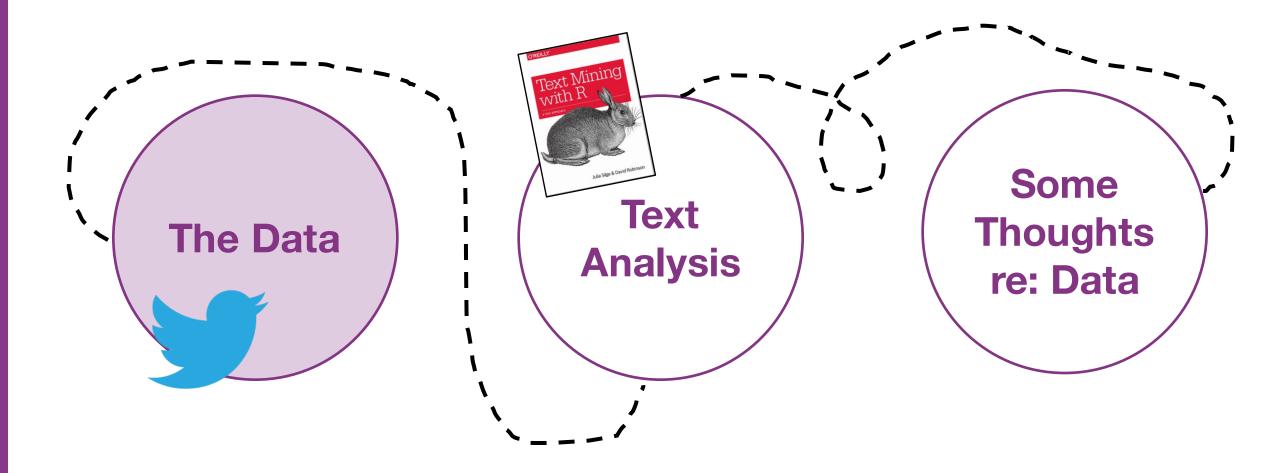








# The Road Map





#### The Data Set



Tweets from August 2018 thru June 2019



Public RoCur Schedule (List of Curators)



#### **Tweets**

Info provided by Twitter

Tweet ID
Tweet URL
Tweet Text
Date & Time

# **Impressions Engagements**

- Engagement Rate
- Likes
- Retweets
- Expansions
- Clicks to link, media views
- Clicks to profile



#### RoCur Schedule

Manually-inputted public schedule

https://tinyurl.com/rladies-rocur-schedule

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1	Week Start	Week End	Curator	Affiliation	Twitter Handle			
2	20-Aug-18	25-Aug-18	Mara Averick	RStudio	@dataandme			
3	27-Aug-18	1-Sep-18	Lucy	Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health	@LucyStats			
4	3-Sep-18	8-Sep-18	Julia Silge	Stack Overflow	@JuliaSilge			
5	10-Sep-18	15-Sep-18	Dana Seidel	UC Berkeley	@dpseidel			
6	17-Sep-18	22.6 10	Kaelen Medeiros	DataCamp	@kaelen_medeiros			



# **Prep Data for Combining**

```
library(tidyverse)

# Two datasets

tweets <- read_csv("rocur_tweets.csv")

curators <- read_csv("curators.csv")

# Make sure dates are read as dates with lubridate

curators$Start <- dmy(curators$Start)

curators$End <- dmy(curators$End)</pre>
```



### Placing Tweets to a Name

```
tweets_full <- tweets %>%
    mutate(id = "x") %>%
    left_join(curators %>% mutate(id = "x"), by = "id") %>%
    filter(Start <= date, End >= date)
```



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# **Cleaning Data for Analysis**

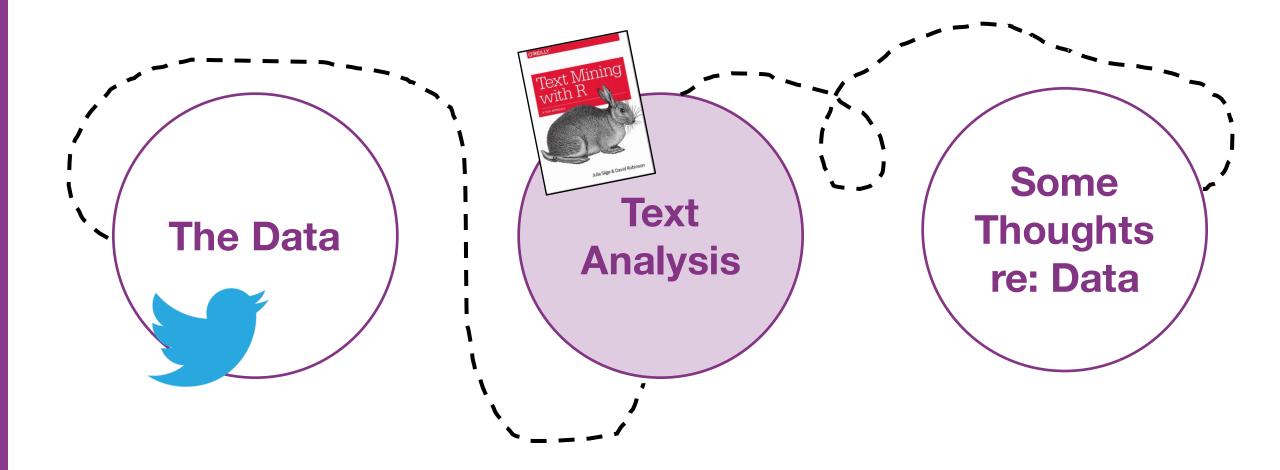


#### **Our Data**

•	Twitter <sup>‡</sup>	Tweet.text	date <sup>‡</sup>	time_only <sup>‡</sup>	engagement.rate <sup>‡</sup>	Student <sup>‡</sup>
1	LucyStats	👋 , thanks for a lovely week! It's been a delight to be	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0
2	LucyStats	@DataCamp @eamcvey @daattali I didn't realize this	2018-08-31	21:33:00	0.006329114	0
3	LucyStats	Would YOU like to be one of our #RLadies curators? W	2018-08-31	21:30:00	0.027315023	0
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Julia Silge & David Robinson

library(tidytext)

← Some basics from this book

**Publicly available at:** 

https://www.tidytextmining.com/



# Text (language) is funky

There's a lot of variability!

There are unreliable, inconsistent cues

Dr. Smith prescribed the medicine

Word meaning is context-specific

The rules are confusing.

R rules!



#### **Tokenization**

Splitting text into **tokens**  $\rightarrow$  smaller meaningful units

```
rocur_tweets %>%
    unnest_tokens(word, Tweet.text)
```

- Filters punctuation
- Makes everything lowercase



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1,865 rows



#### **Our Data - Tokenized!**

•	Twitter <sup>‡</sup>	date <sup>‡</sup>	time_only <sup>‡</sup>	engagement.rate ÷	Student <sup>‡</sup>	word <sup>‡</sup>
1	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	thanks
2	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	for
3	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	a
4	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	lovely
5	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	week
6	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	it's
7	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	been
8	LucyStats	2018-08-31	22:00:00	0.035996488	0	a



#### **Most Common Words**

```
rocur_tweets %>%
      unnest_tokens(word, Tweet.text) %>%
      count(word, sort = TRUE)
                                              word
                                                     n
                                              <chr> <int>
                                                   <u>1</u>486
                                                  <u>1</u>485
        Many of these are stop words
                                                   1197
                                                   1126
                                                   1055
                                                  797
                                                 784
                                            # ... with 7,965 more rows
```



#### Get rid of stop words

```
words <- rocur_tweets %>%
    unnest_tokens(word, Tweet.text)

data("stop_words") # data set from tidytext

words <- words %>%
    anti_join(stop_words) %>%
    filter(!word %in% c('t.co', 'https'))
```

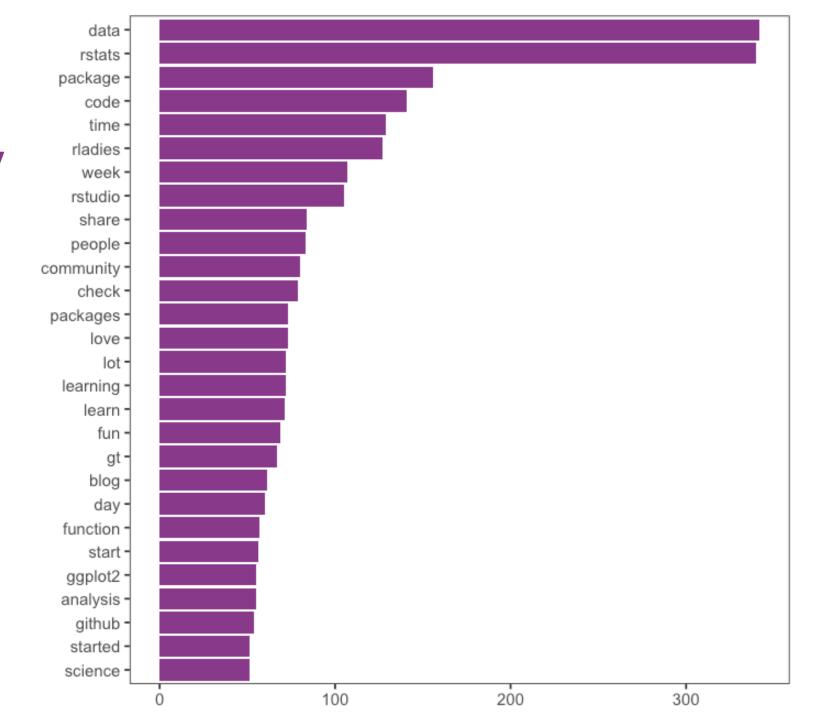


#### More informative set of words?

```
words %>%
    count(word, sort = TRUE)
```

```
Before
                                                         After
# A tibble: 7,975 x 2
                                                # A tibble: 7,394 x 2
   word
                                                   word
                                                               n
   <chr> <int>
                                                   <chr> <int>
 1 to
         1538
                                                 1 data
                                                             342
 2 the
       1508
                                                             340
                                                 2 rstats
 3 t.co
        1486
                                                             156
                                                 3 package
 4 https <u>1</u>485
                                                 4 code
                                                             141
 5 i
                                                 5 time
          1197
                                                             129
 6 a
         1126
                                                 6 rladies
                                                             127
 7 and
         <u>1</u>055
                                                 7 week
                                                             107
 8 of
       797
                                                 8 rstudio
                                                             105
 9 in
       784
                                                 9 share
                                                              84
           741
                                                              83
10 you
                                                10 people
# ... with 7,965 more rows
                                                # ... with 7,384 more rows
```

# Word Frequency







# **Sentiment Analysis**

Identify the emotional intent of text

→ Is it positive, negative, neutral?

#### One way to do this:

- Determine the sentiment of individual words using a sentiment lexicons
- Sum the sentiment of individual words in a given text.



# get\_sentiments()

Using the **Bing** sentiment lexicon

- → Binary positive/negative classification
- → get\_sentiments() in tidytext



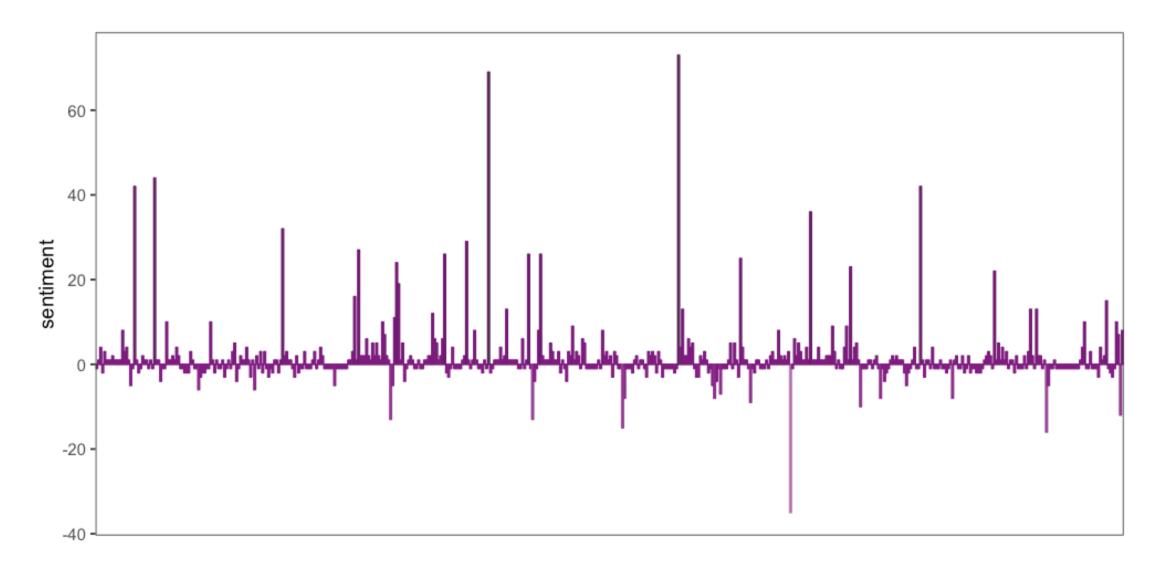
#### Sentiment of @WeAreRLadies

```
words %>%
   inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%
   count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%
   spread(sentiment, n, fill = 0) %>%
   mutate(sentiment = positive - negative)
```

```
# A tibble: 514 x 4
# A tibble: 514 x 3
                                                        negative positive sentiment
                                          word
  word sentiment
                                          <chr>
                                                           <dbl>
                                                                   <dbl>
                                                                            <dbl>
   <chr> <chr>
                    <int>
                                        1 aborts
 1 love positive
                                        2 abundance
2 fun positive
                       69
                                        3 accessible
                       44
 3 awesome positive
                                        4 accidental
4 amazing positive
                                        5 accomplish
```



#### Sentiment of @WeAreRLadies

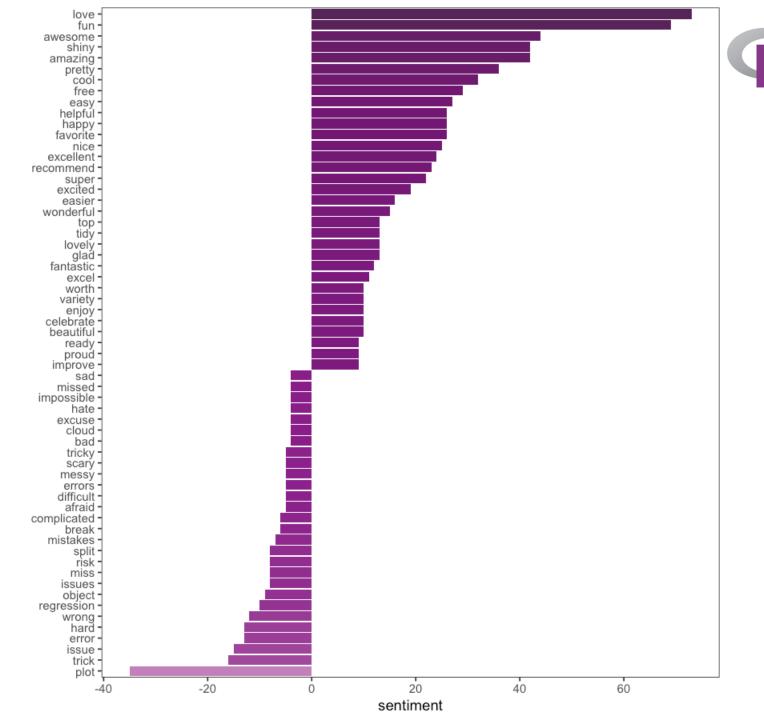




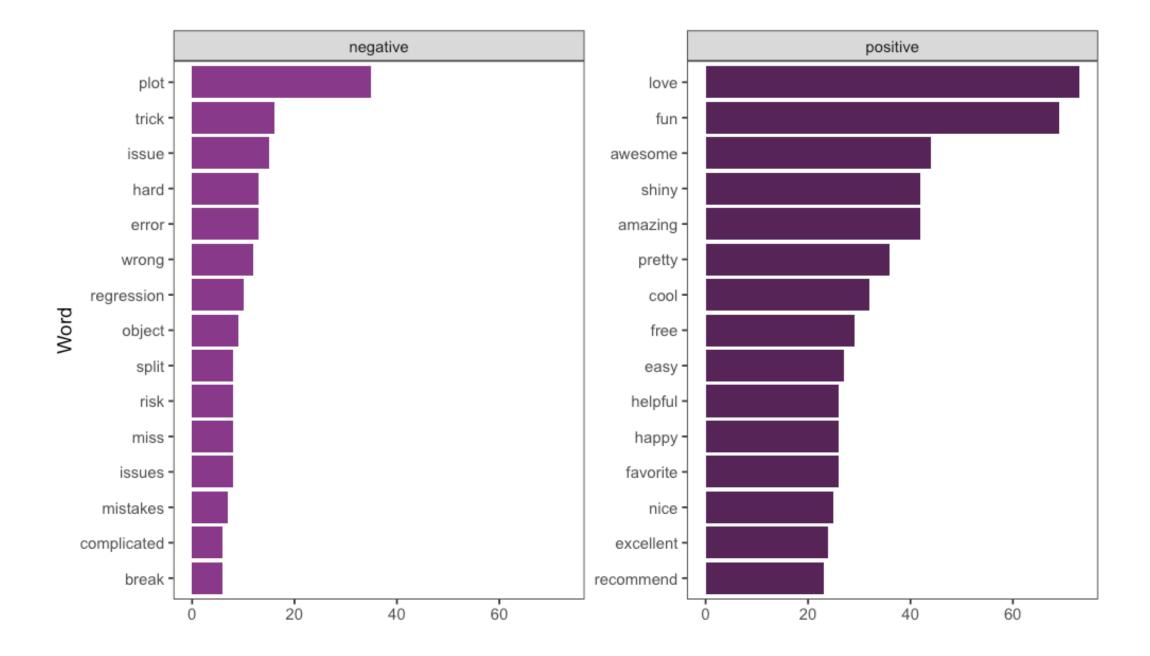
# Look at the strong sentiments

```
words %>%
   inner_join(get_sentiments("bing")) %>%
   count(word, sentiment, sort = TRUE) %>%
   spread(sentiment, n, fill = 0) %>%
   mutate(sentiment = positive - negative) %>%
   filter(sentiment < -3 | sentiment > 8) %>%
   mutate(word = reorder(word, sentiment))
```

# More Readable (sort of)









# N-grams for context

Tokenizing by n-grams, or word sequences.

#### **#RLadies is super awesome**

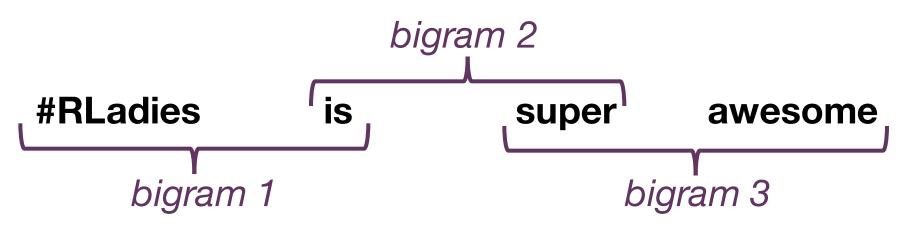
#RLadies	is	super	awesome
Word 1	Word 2	Word 3	Word 4



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### Obtaining bigrams from our data



### Most common bigrams

```
rocur_tweets %>%
      unnest_tokens(bigram, Tweet.text,
                         token = "ngrams", n = 2) %>%
      count(bigram, sort = TRUE)
                                                 # A tibble: 33,337 x 2
                                                   bigram
                                                              n
                                                   <chr>
                                                           <int>
                                                  1 https t.co <u>1</u>485
                                                  2 of the
                                                         130
                                                         126
                                                  3 you can
                                                  4 in the
                                                             115
                                                  5 if you
                                                             93
                                                  6 for the
                                                             85
                                                  7 in r
                                                             84
                                                  8 is a
                                                  9 i have
                                                 10 a lot
                                                 # ... with 33,327 more rows
```



#### Clean the data

#### **Step 1 – Separate bigrams**



## Clean the data

### Step 2 – Filter out stop words

```
bigrams_filtered <- bigrams_separated %>%
    filter(!word1 %in% stop_words$word) %>%
    filter(!word2 %in% stop_words$word)
```



## More meaningful bigrams?

bigrams\_filtered %>%
 count(word1, word2, sort = TRUE)

#### **Before**

#### # A tibble: 33,337 x 2 bigram <chr> <int> 1 https t.co <u>1</u>485 2 of the 130 126 3 you can 4 in the 115 5 if you 93 6 for the 7 in r 8 is a 9 i have 10 a lot # ... with 33,327 more rows

#### After

# A tibble: 6	,625 x 3	
word1	word2	n
<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>
1 data	science	35
2 rstats	community	21
3 blog	post	17
4 data	table	17
5 data	scientist	11
6 rstats	packages	11
7 dplyr	trick	10
8 jennybryan	statquant	10
9 swmpkim	jennybryan	10
10 data	analysis	9
# with 6,615	5 more rows	



## plot

```
filter(word1 == "plot")
```

```
# A tibble: 26 x 3
  word1 word2
                      n
  <chr> <chr> <int>
 1 plot https
 2 plot amp
 3 plot can
 4 plot is
 5 plot
        an
 6 plot and
 7 plot anonymize
 8 plot below
 9 plot confirm
10 plot conveys
# ... with 16 more rows
```

#### filter(word2 == "plot")

```
# A tibble: 24 x 3
  word1 word2
  <chr> <chr> <int>
        plot
1 your
2 a
        plot
3 sad
        plot
4 the
        plot
5 to
        plot
6 bar
        plot
7 box
        plot
8 can
        plot
9 could
        plot
10 density plot
# ... with 14 more rows
```



## Other "negative" words

#### trick

#	A tibble:	: 6 x 3	
	word1	word2	n
	<chr></chr>	<chr> <i< td=""><td>nt&gt;</td></i<></chr>	nt>
1	dplyr	trick	10
2	knitr	trick	2
3	last	trick	1
4	rprofile	trick	1
5	that	trick	1
6	the	trick	1

#### object

#	A tibble	e: 7 x 3	3
	word1	word2	n
	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>	<int></int>
1	spatial	object	3
2	3d	object	1
3	an	object	1
4	ggplot2	object	1
5	lt	object	1
6	the	object	1
7	with	object	1

#### regression



## tf-idf

Frequency of a term adjusted for how often it is used.

#### **#rstats**



Good hashtag to search the entirety of Twitter



Not helpful for searching @WeAreRLadies



## Obtaining *tf-idf*

The product of...

term frequency (tf)

How often a given word occurs

inverse document frequency (idf)

Weighting:

words used a lot; twords used less frequently



## tf-idf for @WeAreRLadies

```
# Get the word count for each curator
word_count_curator <- words %>%
    count(Twitter, word, sort = TRUE)
# Get term frequency
total_words_curator <- word_count_curator %>%
    group_by(Twitter) %>%
    summarize(total = sum(n))
curator_tf <- left_join(word_count_curator,</pre>
                        total_words)
```



## tf-idf for @WeAreRLadies

```
# Get tf-idf
curator_tf_idf <- curator_tf %>%
    bind_tf_idf(word, Twitter, n)
```

### > curator\_tf



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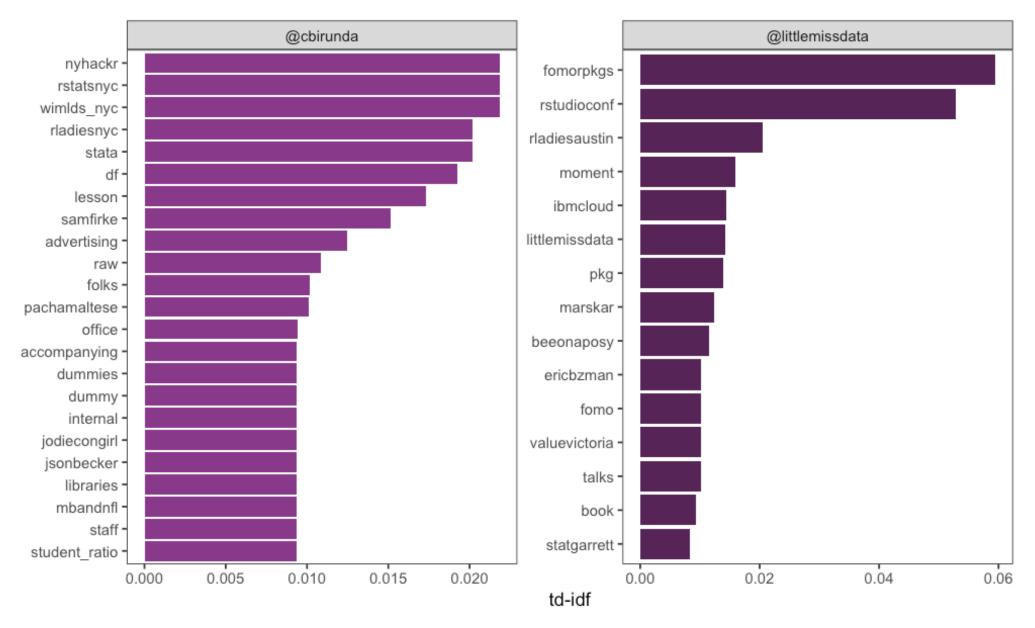
### > curator\_tf\_idf

```
# A tibble: 14,686 x 7
   Twitter
                                      n total tf idf tf_idf
                    word
   <chr>
                    <chr>
                                  <int> <int> <dbl> <dbl>
                                                                  <db1>
                   rladies
 1 @MaryELennon
                                     59 <u>1</u>301 0.045<u>3</u> 0.392 0.017<u>8</u>
 2 @EmmaVitz
                                     50 <u>1</u>102 0.045<u>4</u> 0.027<u>4</u> 0.001<u>24</u>
                    data
 3 @littlemissdata rstats
                                     42 1761 0.0239 0.210 0.00500
```

#### **NYC R Conference**

#### RStudio::conf

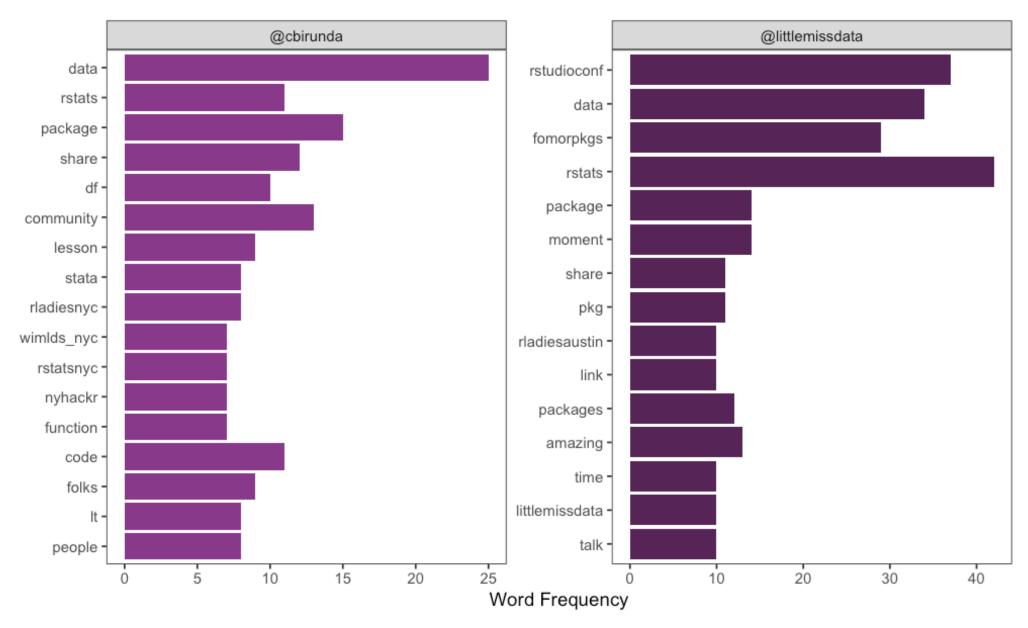




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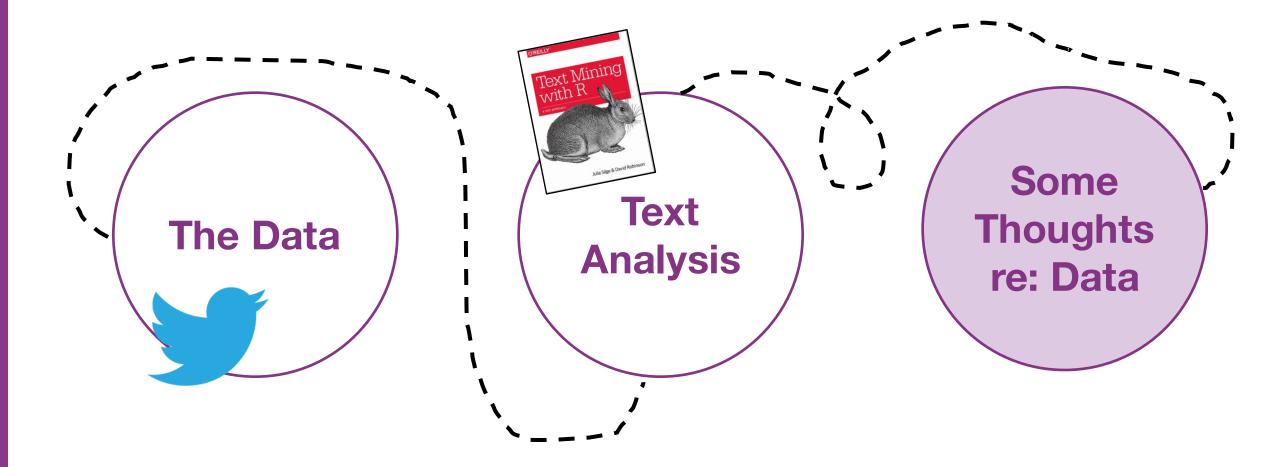
We can tokenize

Word meaning is context-specific

We can use **n-grams**, **tf-idf** 



## The Road Map





### Differences in...

#### **Curators**

- Students and Professionals
  - → Data Scientists, Consultants, Academics, etc.

### **Experiences**

- Multiple use cases
- Methods for learning
- Varying levels of proficiency in both R and Twitter

#### **Intent of Tweet**

Sharing resources vs. asking a question

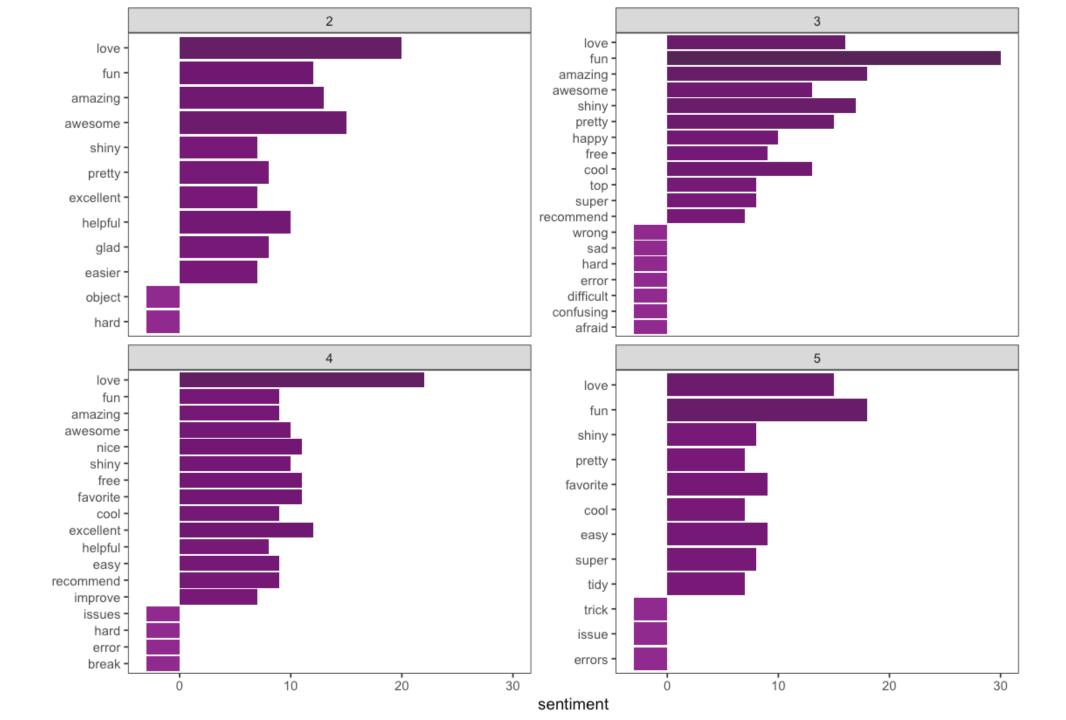


## Word Cloud

```
Not Students
ggplot2 dataapps ea
         idea recommend community visualizations
         packages courses incredible tweets rstudio taught incredible tweets
                     forward
```

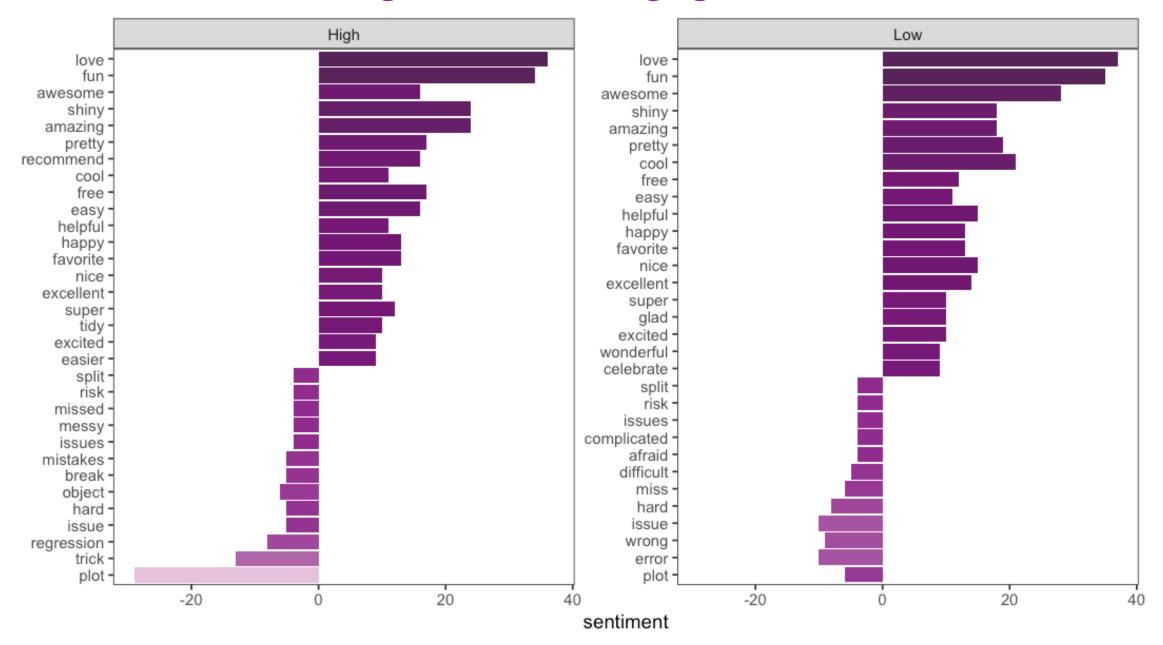
library(wordcloud)

**Students** 



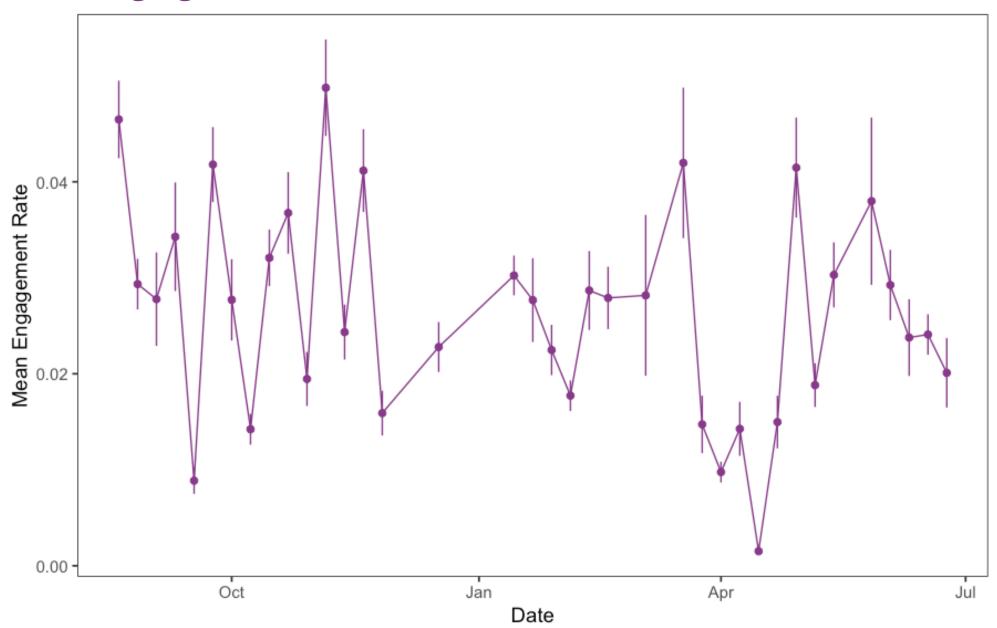


### Sentiment: High vs. Low Engagement Rate



### **Engagement Rate Over Time**







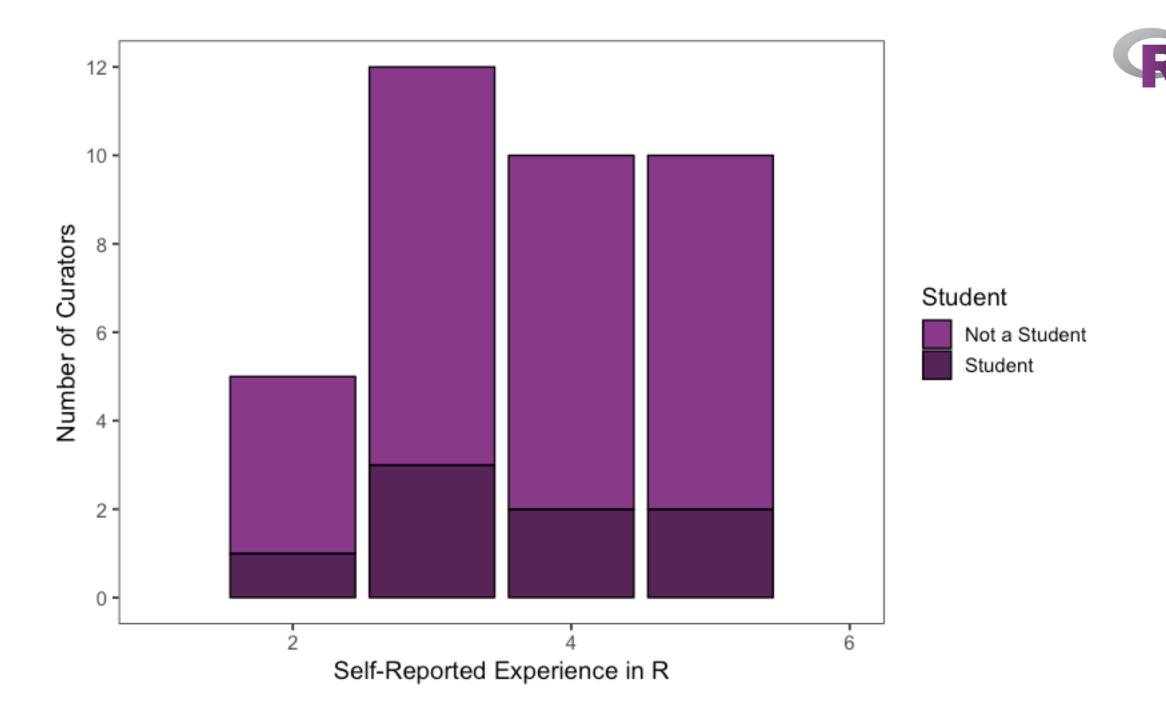
## **Call to Action**

Consider curating for @WeAreRLadies!

We are all learning together

Everyone's perspective is valuable







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