TOPIC MODELING ON AMD AND NVIDIA'S GPU LAUNCH COMMENTS

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INTRODUCTION: BACKGROUND



Intel's upcoming Xe GPU to rival Nvidia and AMD will be built on a 7nm process

HARDWARE LEAK

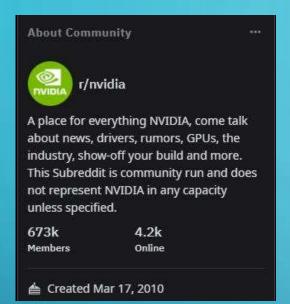
Intel's First High-End Xe-HPG GPU Powered Discrete Gaming Graphics Cards Launching in 2021, Will Feature Hardware-Accelerated Ray-Tracing & Lots of Cores

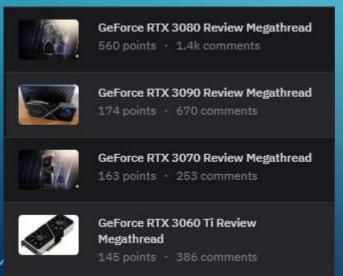
- Intel is planning to release their first gaming graphics card into the market.
- They're intending to compete against AMD's RDNA and Nvidia's Ampere series.

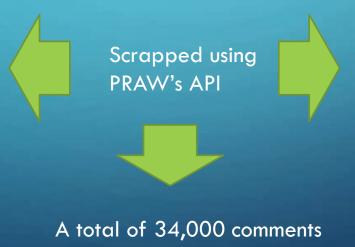
INTRODUCTION: PROBLEM STATEMENT

- As a data scientist working in intel, my team is tasked with understanding the consumer behavior surrounding the launch of AMD and Nvidia's GPUs.
- Based on our research, majority of the fanbase primarily resides in their respective subreddits.
- This problem is solved by conducting topic modeling on the comments understand what are the consumers looking out for when purchasing a GPU to ensure a smooth release of our own GPUs.

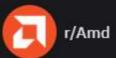
SCRAPPING THE DATA







were scrapped



Welcome to /r/AMD — the subreddit for all things AMD; come talk about Ryzen, Threadripper, EPYC, Navi, the next-gen consoles, news, rumours, show-off your build and more. /r/AMD is community run and does not represent AMD in any capacity unless specified.

781k 6.4k Members Online

[GPU] AMD Radeon RX 6000 (Nov 18 Release) Megathread

311 points · 3.5k comments

[CPU] AMD Ryzen 5000 (Nov 5 Release) Wait Megathread

569 points · 8.1k comments

RTX 3080 Pre Launch Info

351 points · 11.2k comments

Active Megathread Links for Nvidia GPUs / AMD CPU+GPUs

293 points · 0 comments

Canadian Retailer Reviews - January + February 2021

51 points · 91 comments

CLEANING THE DATA

Remove the nulls values

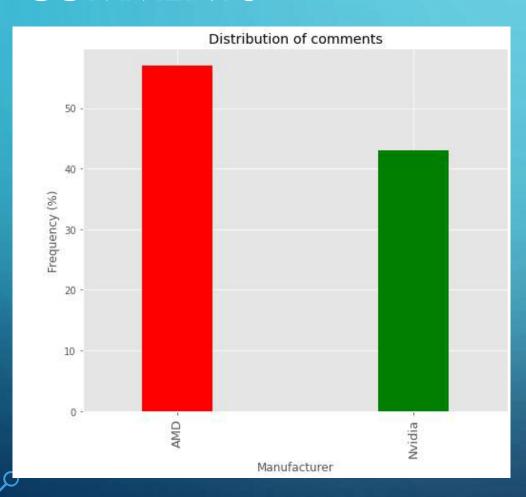
Drop comments that are empty

Remove duplicate values

Remove stop words, lemmatize the words

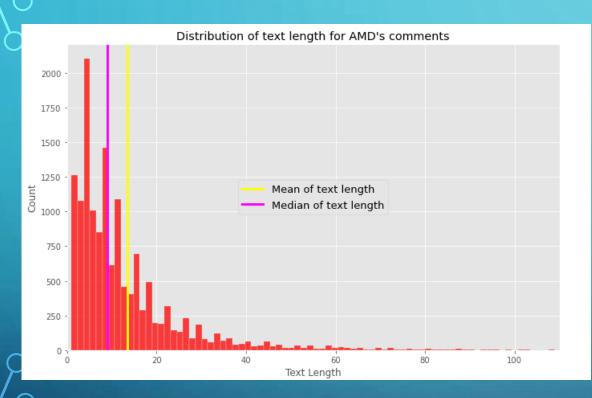
	Reddit comments	tag
0	pre order time releasing 17th	nvidia
1	going hard grab 3080 17th	nvidia
2	uk price 3090 1399 3080 649 3070 469 scan aib	nvidia
3	talking spatula jensen pot	nvidia
4	10k core completely insane	nvidia
25511	motherboard say pcie 0 compatible	nvidia
25512	thanks understanding know course 3000s dvi por	nvidia
25513	buy 1400 gpu	nvidia
25514	know ill wait 3070 3060	nvidia
25515	generational compatibility compatible size pci	nvidia

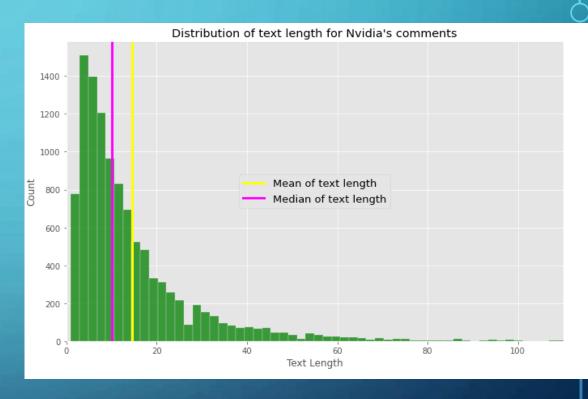
EDA: DISTRIBUTION OF AMD AND NVIDIA'S COMMENTS



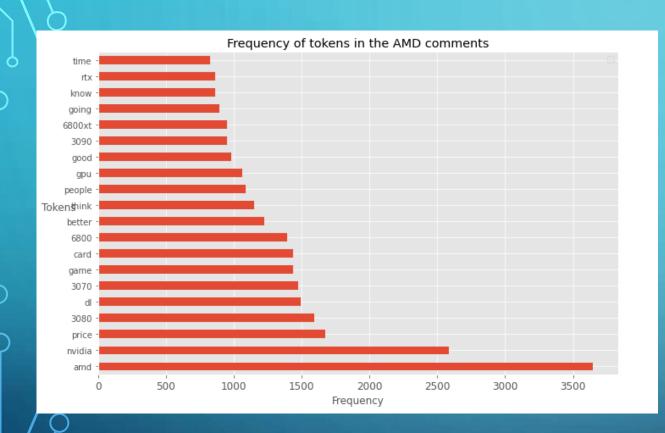
Around 56% of the comments were from AMD and 44% of the comments were from Nvidia

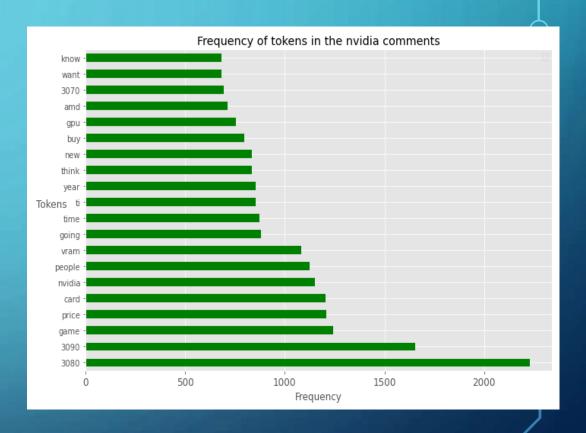
EDA: DISTRIBUTION OF TEXT LENGTH





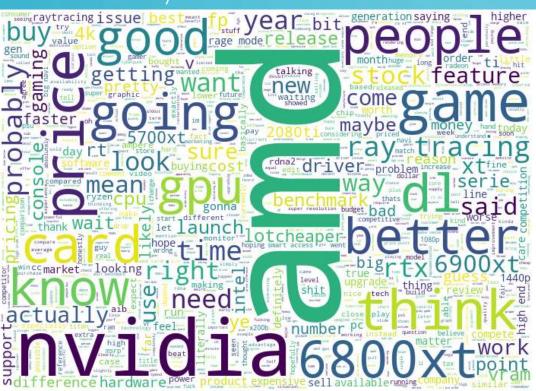
EDA: FREQUENCY OF TOKENS





EDA: WORD CLOUDS ON NVIDIA AND AMD'S COMMENTS

r/AMD's word cloud



r/Nvidia's word cloud



PREPARE THE DATA FOR MODELING

Create the bag of words

```
# Creates the bag of words for each document
data = [token.split() for token in amd_df['Reddit comments'].tolist()]
executed in 31ms, finished 16:55:22 2021-01-26
```

Using
Genism's
bigram and
trigram
Phraser

```
# # Build the bigram and trigram models
bigram = Phrases(data, min_count=5, threshold=100) # higher threshold fewer phrases.
trigram = Phrases(bigram[data], threshold=100)

# Faster way to get a sentence clubbed as a trigram/bigram, this reduces memory, making the model smaller and faster bigram_mod = Phraser(bigram)
trigram_mod = Phraser(trigram)
executed in 3.10s, finished 16:55:25 2021-01-26
```

Create the bigrams and trigrams

```
def make_bigrams(texts):
    return [bigram_mod[doc] for doc in texts]

def make_trigrams(texts):
    return [trigram_mod[bigram_mod[doc]] for doc in texts]

# Form Bigrams
data_bigrams = make_bigrams(data)

# Form Trigrams
data_trigrams = make_trigrams(data)

executed in 1.29s, finished 16:55:27 2021-01-26
```

AMD COMPARING LDA MODEL AND LDA MALLET RESULTS

LDA

	Perplexity score	Coherence score	no of topics intrepretable
unigram	-7.678092	0.529254	3
bigrams	-7.722717	0.585108	3
trigrams	-7.759911	0.590325	4

LDA Mallet

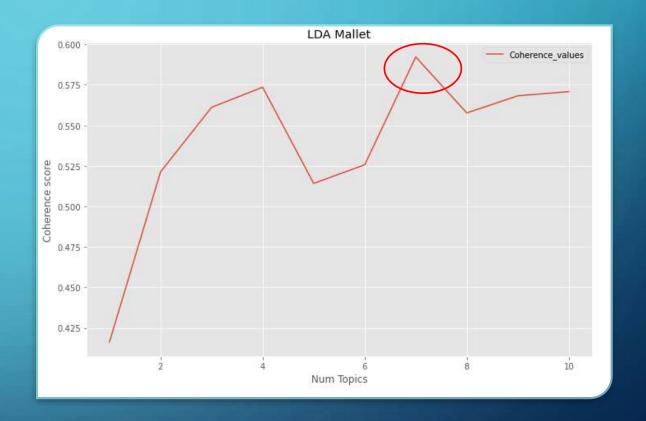
coherence_values	num_topics
0.416386	1
0.521286	2
0.561158	3
0.573551	4
0.514202	5
0.525694	6
0.592246	7

LDA Topics

```
********Displaying 5 topics for trigrams*****
[(0,
  '0.013*"card" + 0.011*"amd" + 0.011*"time" + 0.010*"people" + 0.010*"stock" '
 '+ 0.009*"buy" + 0.008*"launch" + 0.008*"day" + 0.007*"month" + '
 '0.007*"vear"'),
 '0.018*"game" + 0.016*"4k" + 0.013*"gpu" + 0.012*"work" + 0.012*"monitor" + '
  '0.012*"cpu" + 0.008*"gaming" + 0.008*"fps" + 0.008*"1080p" + 0.007*"use"'),
  '0.038*"amd" + 0.031*"nvidia" + 0.027*"dl" + 0.017*"game" + '
  '0.014*"ray tracing" + 0.009*"driver" + 0.009*"rt" + 0.009*"feature" + '
  '0.008*"card" + 0.008*"better"'),
  '0.010*"power" + 0.009*"psu" + 0.008*"comment" + 0.008*"thanks" + '
  '0.007*"efficiency" + 0.007*"yes" + 0.006*"think" + 0.006*"read" + '
  '0.006*"load" + 0.005*"company"'),
  '0.028*"price" + 0.026*"3080" + 0.025*"3070" + 0.024*"6800" + 0.016*"3090" +
  '0.016*"6800xt" + 0.012*"vram" + 0.011*"better" + 0.010*"6900xt" +
  '0.009*"nvidia"')1
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AMD LDA MALLET: CHOOSING THE BEST K TOPIC

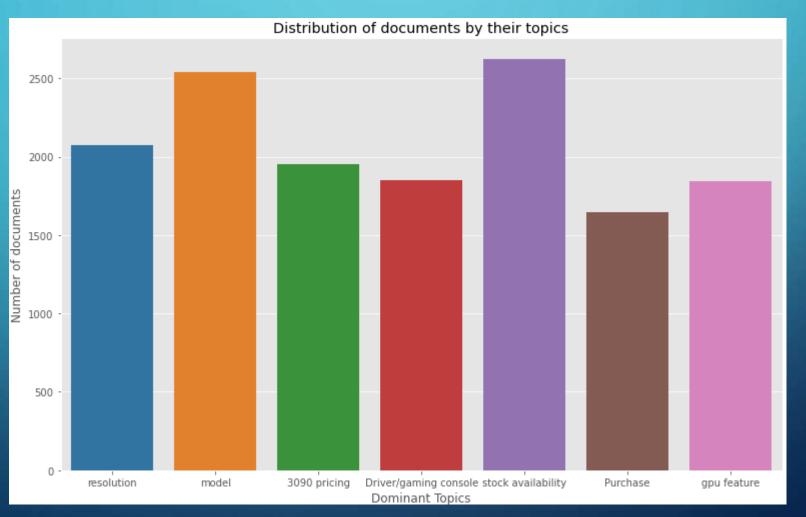
- The trigrams data was trained on the LDA mallet model
- 7 topics was chosen as it had the highest coherence score



AMD LDA MALLET: WORD CLOUD OF 7 TOPICS

```
Topic: resolution
                                               Topic: model
                                            3080
power
         rtx higher
                                                      faster
 review
                                           6900xt
           1440p
                                            benchmark xt
          cpu
gpu
                                              2080ti 6800xt
               memory
                                                6800
   Topic: 3090 pricing
                                         Topic: Driver/gaming console
                                           time
 3090
                                                       issue
                                          game
                                                     console
gaming
                                                 driver
end
                                          gpu
                                                     good
          cost
   amd
                                              work year
              price
   nvidia
                                                                     Topic: gpu feature
                                                pc
             card
                                                                              raytracing
  Topic: stock availability
                                              Topic: Purchase
  release
                                          people
launch card gonna
                                                                 ray tracing rtx
                                                        money
           month
                                                        buy
                                         reason
stock
                                                                          rt nvidia
           wait
                                             time point
       orderday
                                               bad
hope
                                                         product
                                                                               feature
```

AMD: DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS BY THEIR TOPICS



AMD: MOST REPRESENTATIVE DOCUMENTS FOR TOPIC 4 AND 6

******Topic 4******

Dominant keywords: card, wait, stock, launch, release, order, day, month, gonna, hope

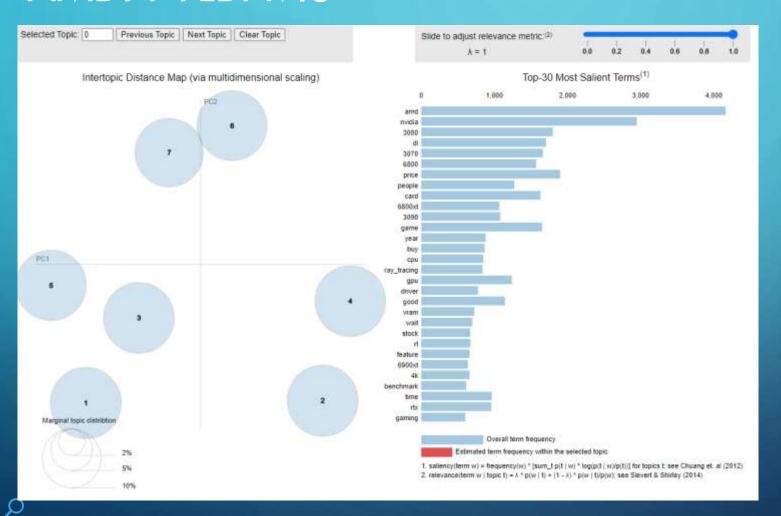
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*******Topic 6******

Dominant keywords: amd, dl, nvidia, game, ray_tracing, rt, feature, support, raytracing, rtx

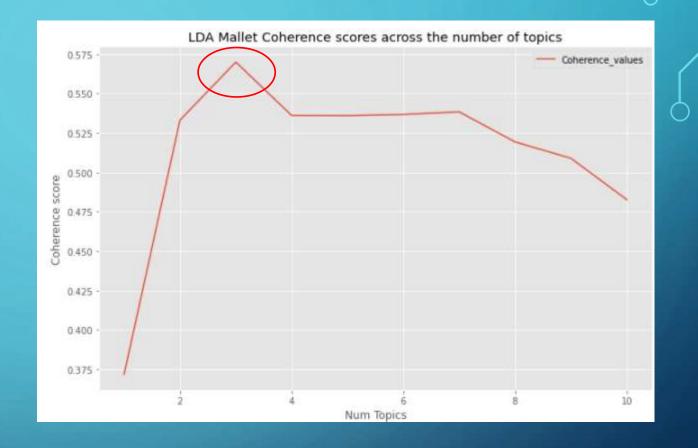
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AMD: PYLDAVIS



NVIDIA LDA MALLET: CHOOSING THE BEST K TOPIC

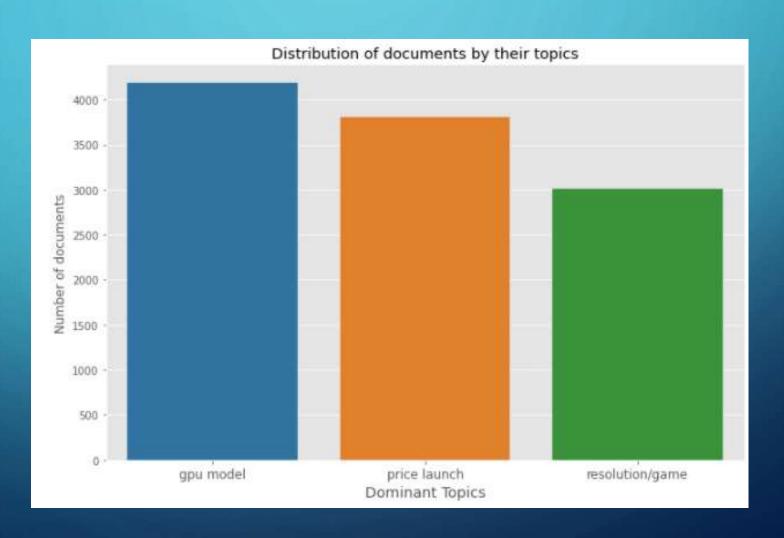
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- 3 topics was chosen as it had the highest coherence score



AMD LDA MALLET: WORD CLOUD OF 7 TOPICS



NVIDIA: DISTRIBUTION OF DOCUMENTS BY THEIR TOPICS



NVIDIA: MOST REPRESENTATIVE DOCUMENTS FOR TOPIC 0 AND 1

*******Topic 0******

Dominant keywords: 3080, 3090, ti, amd, 3070, rtx, 2080, upgrade, 2080ti, wait

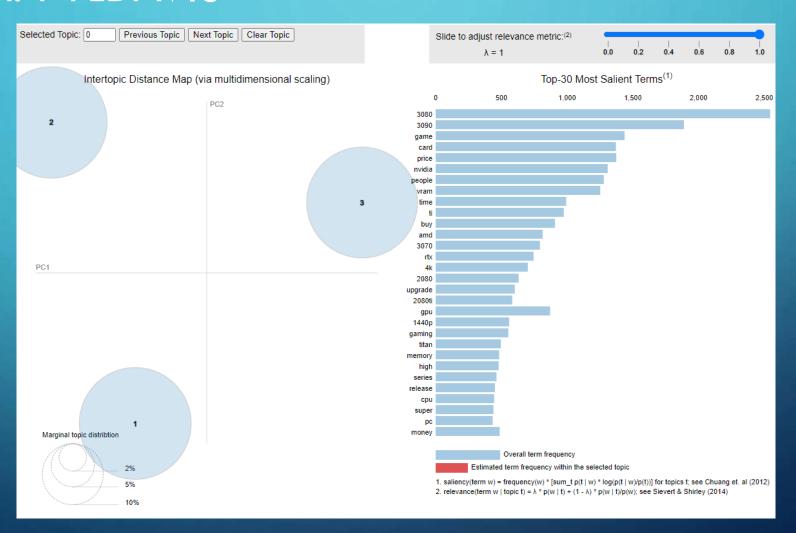
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*******Topic 1******

Dominant keywords: price, card, nvidia, people, time, buy, money, series, release, day

Document:edit opinion x200b know teaser_rate car advertised insanely price dealership told sold cost little 699 3080 teaser_rat e nvidia hyped insanely hint 3080 wanted insanely cheap price announced wanted problem nvidia stock 3080 place retailer stock p lace know run merchandise tracking system retailer nvidia hype knowing stock satisfy basic demand release day come nvidia count ed bot ebay taking 3080 actually available blame bot nvidia overselling hype delivering card bot responsible retailer nvidia hy pe train knew sufficient stock satisfy basic demand retailer scam seriously believe retailer know stock send 14 99 deliver moon someday guarantee 1000 year offer valid entire universe send money backlash swift betting nvidia shat pant reading forum pissed consumer oh look pre_order delivery october november soon december year nvidia placate consumer come hey worse ussr ordered car year advance x200b nvidia destroyed marketing plan generate hype oh look mystery nda nvidia release video showing massive impro

NVIDIA: PYLDAVIS



PROJECT LIMITATIONS

- Data was scrapped from reddit only, which is US-based forum and might form a biased view in the features that consumers are looking out for hence, we can consider scrapping from other forums as well, such as local forums like hardwarezone.
- Consider other models like BertTopic and LSA to see if the topics are more interpretable and the topic coherence scores are higher.

CONCLUSION

- LDA's mallet coherence score is slightly higher compared to LDA's coherence score and the topics are more interpretable as well.
- 4k resolution has a higher topic weight compared 1440p resolution which suggests that these GPUs are targeted towards the enthusiast crowd.
- Nvidia's RTX 3070 and 3080 seems to be the most popular models, given their high word count and topic weightage.
- DLSS and Ray Tracing are coveted features among the users in the subreddit

