



# Airline Tweets Sentiment Analysis



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Data Science

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# AGENDA

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What were the data collection process.  
When, where, and how?



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Natural language data pre-processing steps



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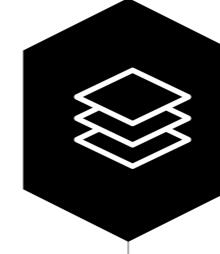
Without using machine learning, can we use some basic rules to classify sentiments?



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### **MACHINE LEARNING BINARY CLASSIFICATIONS**

Using machine learning algorithms, we attempt to classify positive and negative sentiments



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Using machine learning to predict positive, neutral and negative sentiments and determine the best model for data with unknown sentiments



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The summary and statistics of the collected airline tweets



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## CLOSING THOUGHTS



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# DATA SETS

Where, when and how?

# FOUR MAJOR AIRLINES

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@AmericanAir

**AA**

#americanairlines

#americanair



@delta

**DELTA**

#deltaairlines

#deltaair



@southwestair

**SOUTHWEST**

#southwestairlines

#southwestair



@united

**UNITED**

#unitedairlines

#unitedair

Sentiment Analysis

# SOURCES

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80,121 Tweets

## TWITTER API

Using Python and **twython** to retrieve tweets through Twitter's API during 7 days period.



14,640 Tweets

## KAGGLE

Reformatted/cleaned tweets with graded sentiment of Major Airlines from Feb 2015



4,000 Tweets

## Newsroom

Commercial datasets provided by Newsroom with machine graded tweets

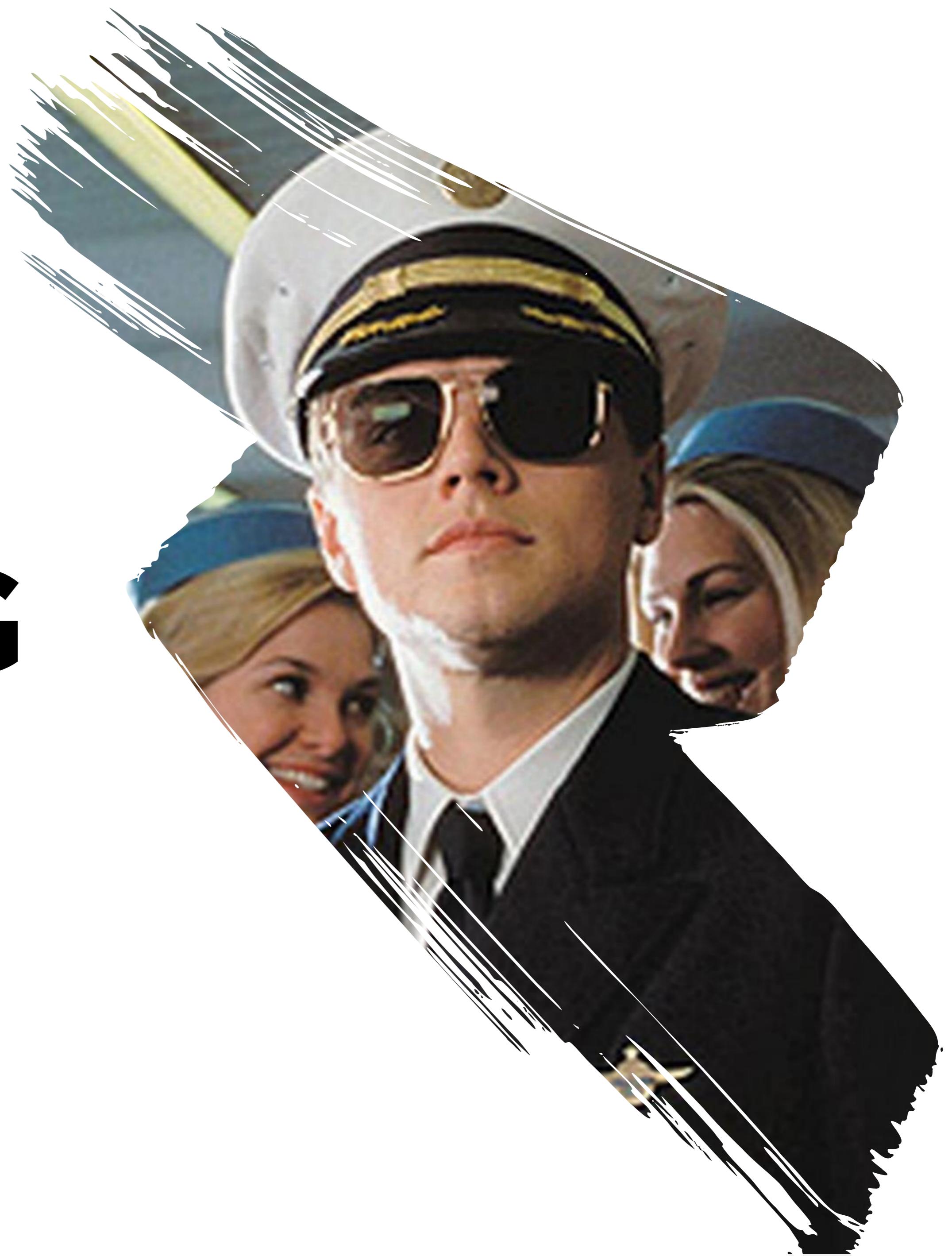


itsvatime.com

600 + 600 + 600 + 600

# DATA PRE- PROCESSING

Natural language processes to prepare and transform the tweet content for various classification models and sentiment analysis



# NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

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Major processing steps



## 1 Tokenization

Tokenize all tweet contents

## 2 RegEx

Perform regular expression

## 3 Stop Words

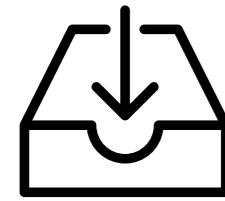
Remove all the English stop words

## 4 Vectorizer

For machine learning  
Vector → Matrix... get it?

# REGULAR EXPRESSION

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`tweet.lower()`

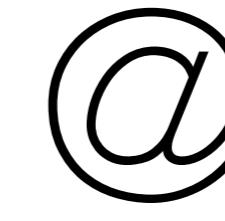
## Lower Cases

Turn all letters to lower cases. One option is to retain original upper cases

`re.sub('((www\.[^\s]+)|(https?://[^\s]+))','URL',tweet)`

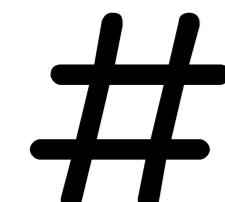
## Eliminate URLs

Turn all https://... and www... format to display just the word 'URL'

`re.sub(r'@([^\s]+)', r'\1', tweet)`

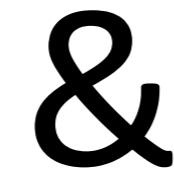
## Replace @username

Convert all @username to display just 'username' without the '@' sign

`re.sub(r'#[^\s]+', r'\1', tweet)`

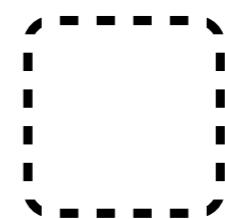
## Replace #hashtags

Convert all #hashtagwords to just 'hashtagwords'

`re.sub(r'&', r' and', tweet)`

## Replace '&' Signs

Replacing all & symbols with the actual words 'and' with a space

`re.sub('[\s]+', ' ', tweet)`

## Remove Additional Spaces

Remove all annoying white spaces

# RULE BASED CLASSIFICATION

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First we will use two simple rule-based techniques to conduct our sentiment analysis to see what happens



# 'COMMON SENSE' CLASSIFICATION RULES

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- $(\text{pos}) \times (\text{pos}) = (\text{pos})$

This movie is very good

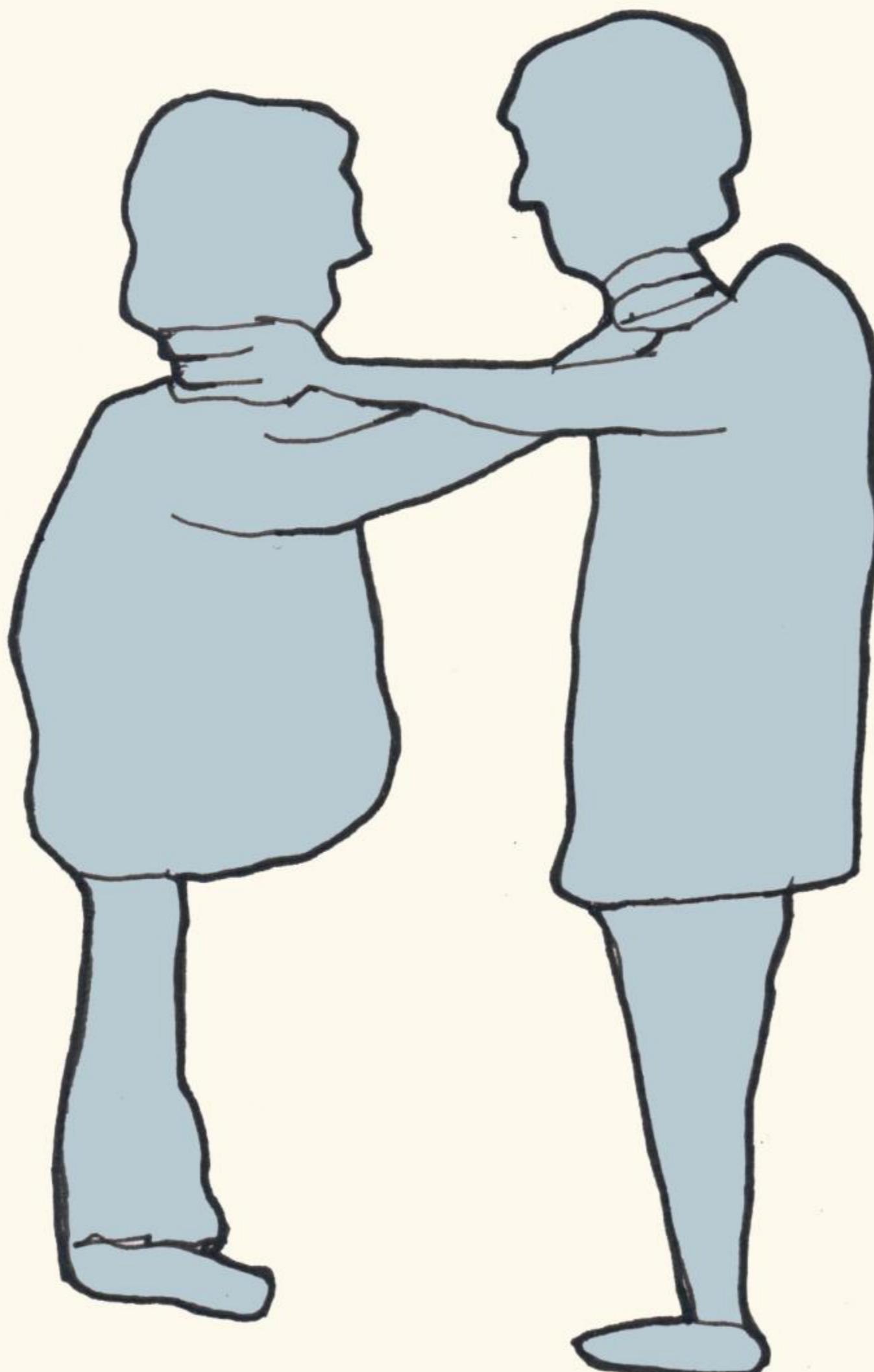
- $(\text{pos}) \times (\text{neg}) = (\text{neg})$

This movie is not good at all

- $(\text{neg}) \times (\text{neg}) = (\text{pos})$

This movie was not bad

Require a Pre-defined List of Positive & Negative Words ←



# Accuracy

MANUAL LABEL (2,400)

 49.50 %

NEWSROOM (4,000)

 52.45 %

KAGGLE (14,600)

 47.53 %

IPython console

IP: Console 1/A

```
In [19]: print_confusion(df_2400.rule_senti, df_2400.sentiment)
      True   -1    0    1   All
```

Predicted

	-1	0	1	All
-1	605	76	46	727
0	510	356	138	1004
1	318	124	227	669
All	1433	556	411	2400

```
In [20]: print_confusion(df_nr.rule_senti, df_nr.sentiment)
```

```
      True   -1    0    1   All
```

Predicted

	-1	0	1	All
-1	97	444	121	662
0	340	1558	385	2283
1	56	556	443	1055
All	493	2558	949	4000

```
In [21]: print_confusion(df_kaggle.rule_senti, df_kaggle.sentiment)
```

```
      True   -1    0    1   All
```

Predicted

	-1	0	1	All
-1	3768	404	241	4413
0	3266	2068	997	6331
1	2144	627	1125	3896
All	9178	3099	2363	14640

```
In [22]:
```

# V.A.D.E.R.

## SENTIMENT SCORES

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VADER is a lexicon and rule-based sentiment analysis tool that is especially attuned to sentiments expressed in social media.

→ Valence Aware Dictionary and sEntiment Reasoner



# Examples

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**“VADER is smart, handsome and funny.”**

{‘neg’: 0.0, ‘neu’: 0.254, ‘pos’: 0.746, ‘compound’: 0.8316}

**“Today SUX!”**

{‘neg’: 0.779, ‘neu’: 0.221, ‘pos’: 0.0, ‘compound’: -0.5461}

**“VADER is **very** smart, handsome, and funny!”**

{‘neg’: 0.0, ‘neu’: 0.293, ‘pos’: 0.707, ‘compound’: 0.8646}

**“Today **kinda** sux! But I’ll get by, lol :”**

{‘neg’: 0.154, ‘neu’: 0.42, ‘pos’: 0.426, ‘compound’: 0.5974}

**“VADER is **VERY SMART**, handsome, and **FUNNY!!!**”**

{‘neg’: 0.0, ‘neu’: 0.233, ‘pos’: 0.767, ‘compound’: 0.9342}

**“At least it **isn’t** a **horrible** book.”**

{‘neg’: 0.0, ‘neu’: 0.637, ‘pos’: 0.363, ‘compound’: 0.431}

IP: Console 1/A X

```
In [30]: print_confusion(df_2400.polarity_senti, df_2400.sentiment)
```

True	-1	0	1	All
Predicted	-1	0	1	All
-1	768	70	31	869
0	195	191	25	411
1	470	295	355	1120
All	1433	556	411	2400

```
In [31]: print_confusion(df_nr.polarity_senti, df_nr.sentiment)
```

True	-1	0	1	All
Predicted	-1	0	1	All
-1	144	628	117	889
0	271	674	130	1075
1	78	1256	702	2036
All	493	2558	949	4000

# Accuracy

MANUAL LABEL (2,400)

54.75 %

NEWSROOM (4,000)

38.00 %

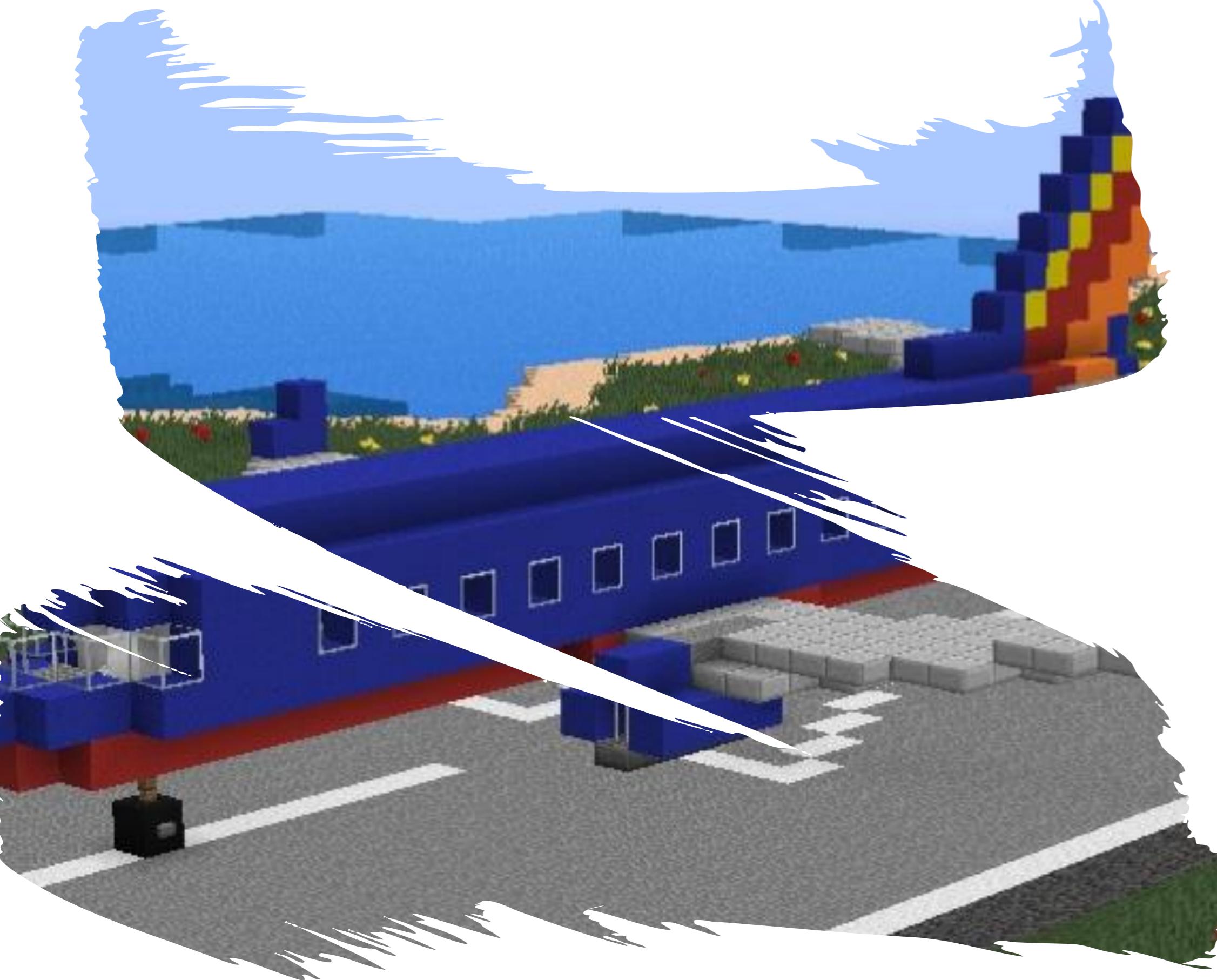
KAGGLE (14,600)

54.02 %

```
In [32]: print_confusion(df_kaggle.polarity_senti, df_kaggle.sentiment)
```

True	-1	0	1	All
Predicted	-1	0	1	All
-1	4890	477	197	5564
0	1221	1008	155	2384
1	3067	1614	2011	6692
All	9178	3099	2363	14640

```
In [32]:
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# MACHINE LEARNING

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Part I – **Binary** Classifications

# MACHINE LEARNING I

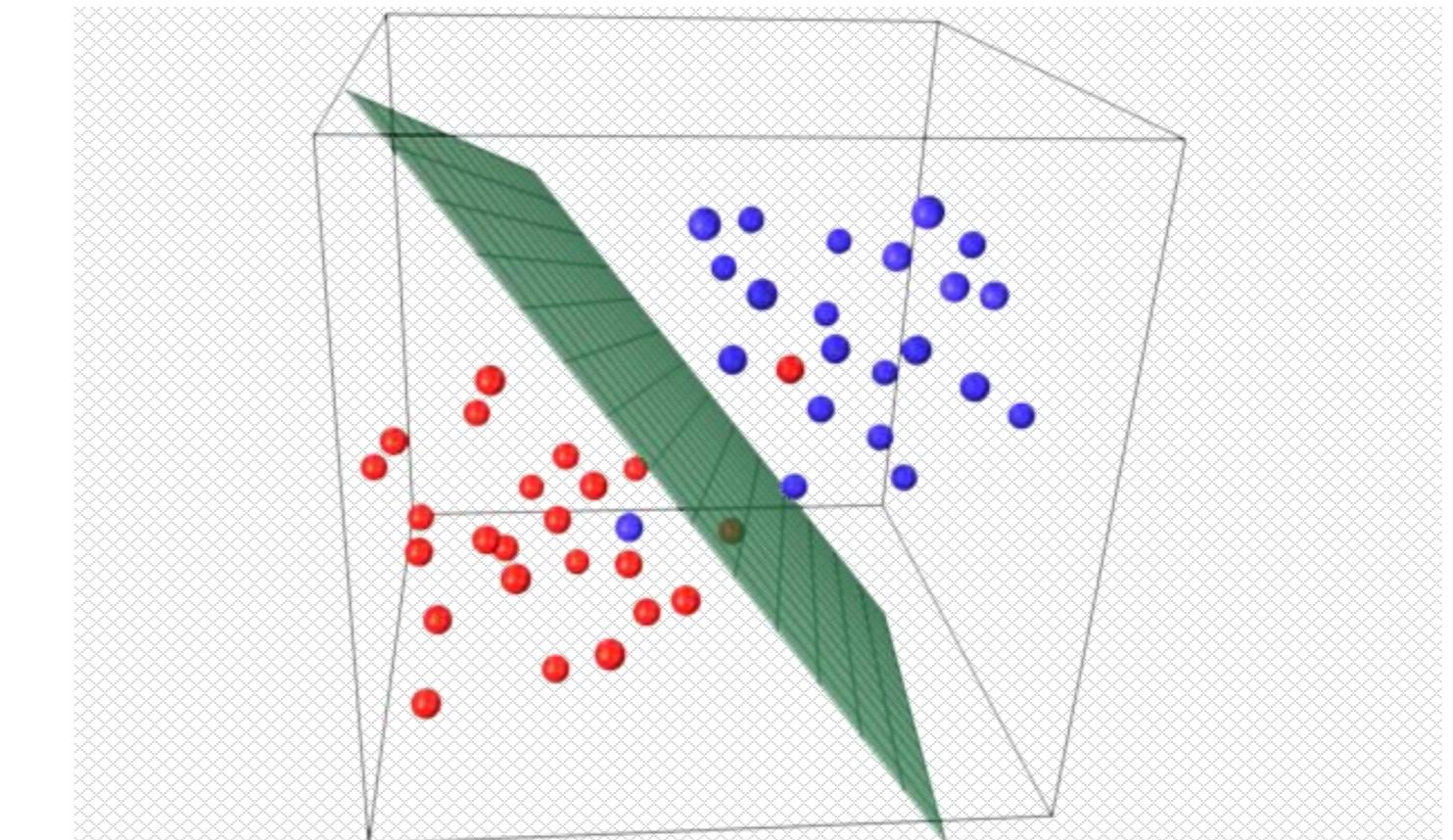
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1 Data Prep  
**Remove All Neutral Sentiment**



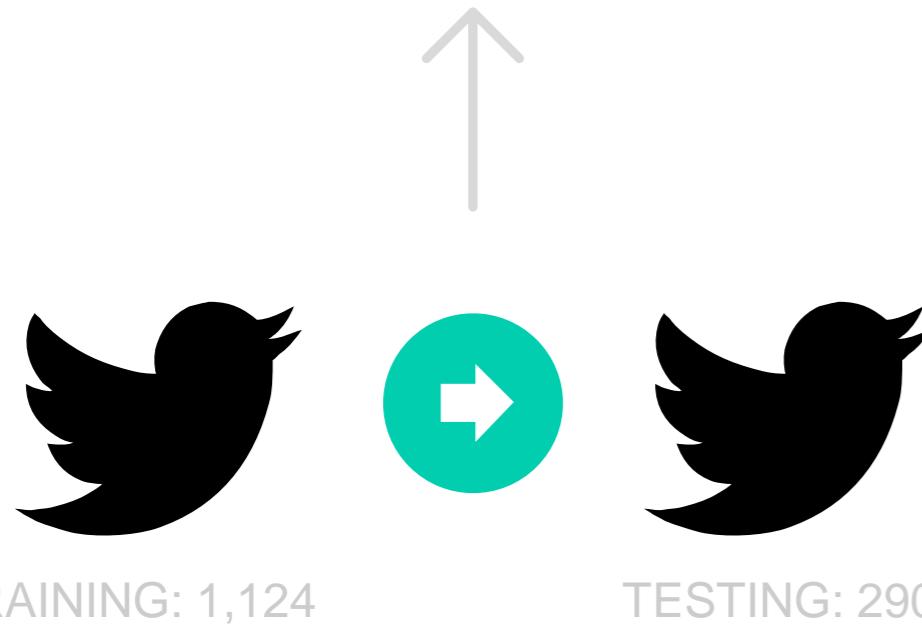
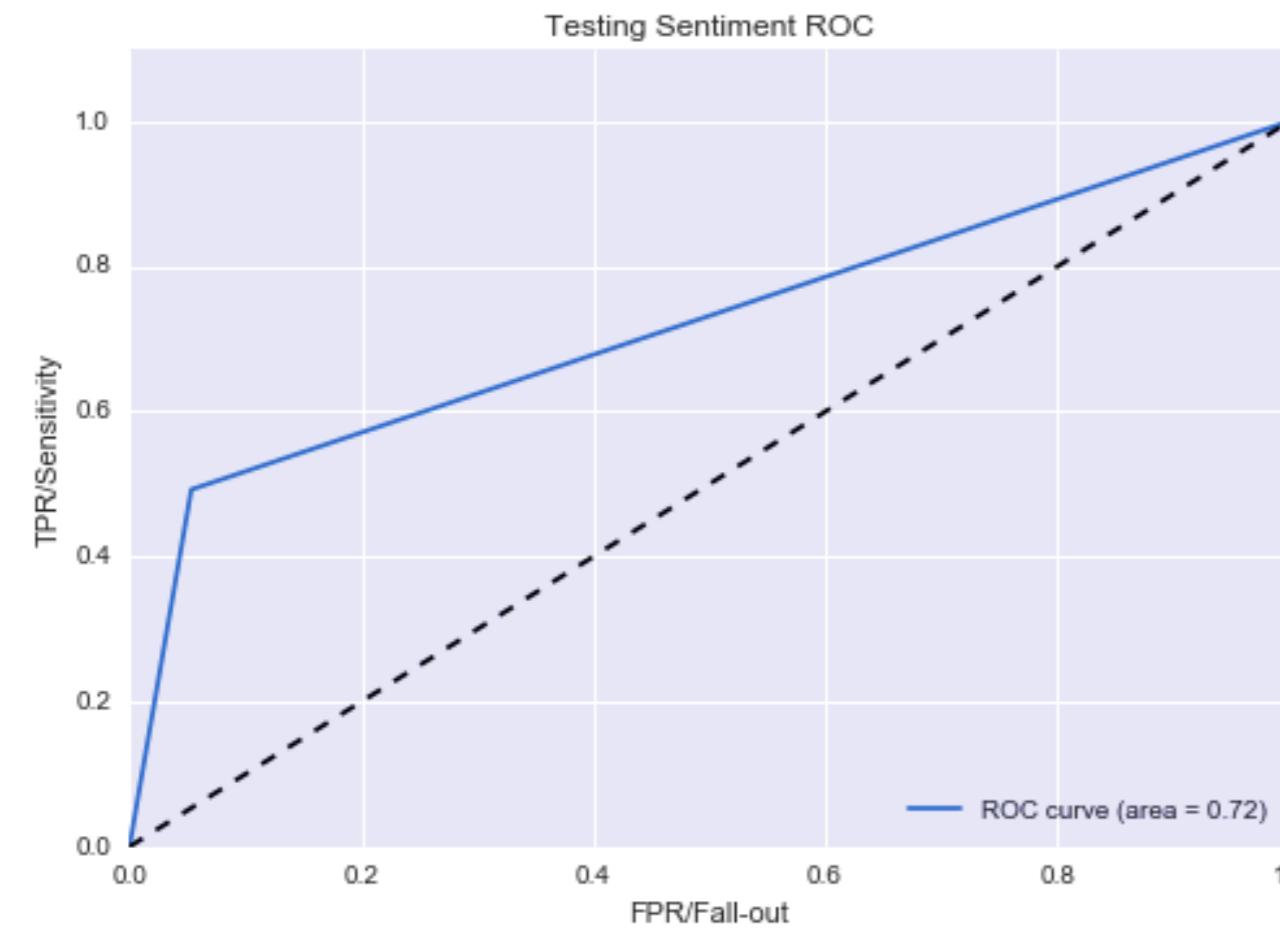
2 Random Forest  
**Perform Random Forest Model**



3 Linear SVM  
**Perform Support Vector Classifier**  
Hyperplane

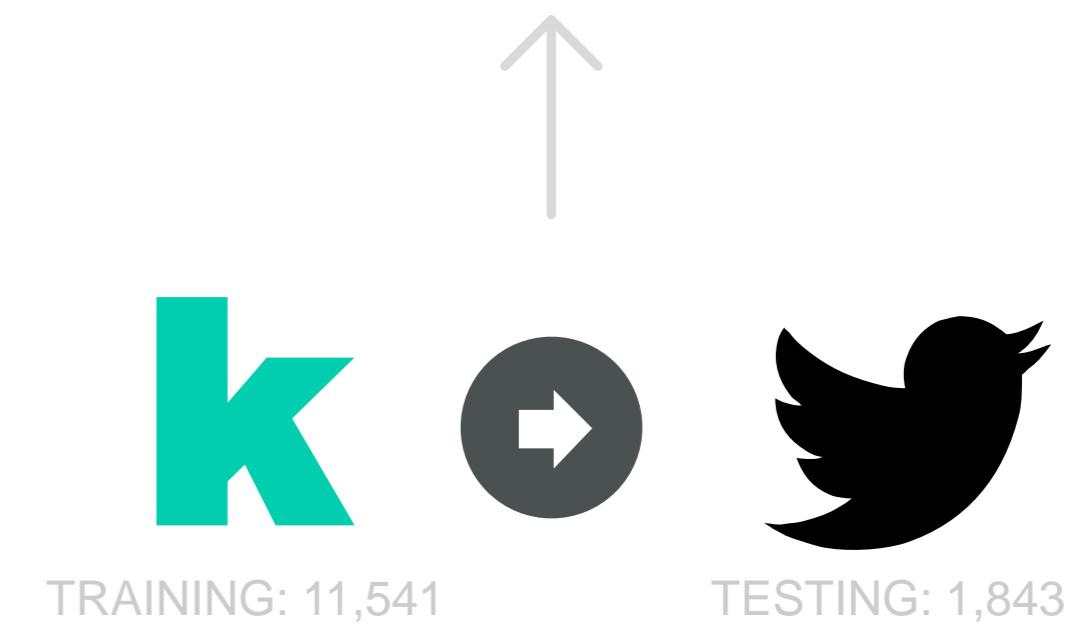
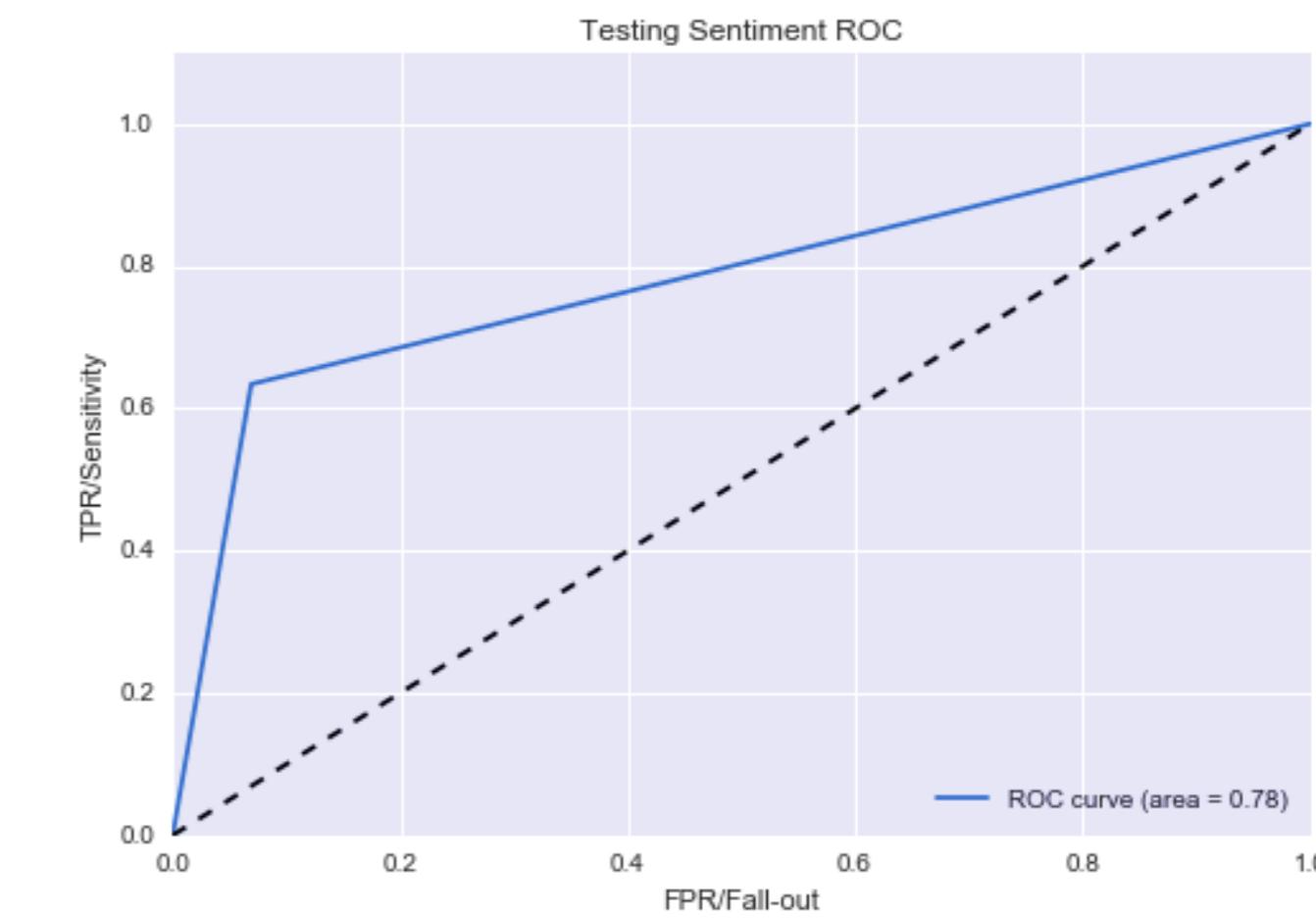
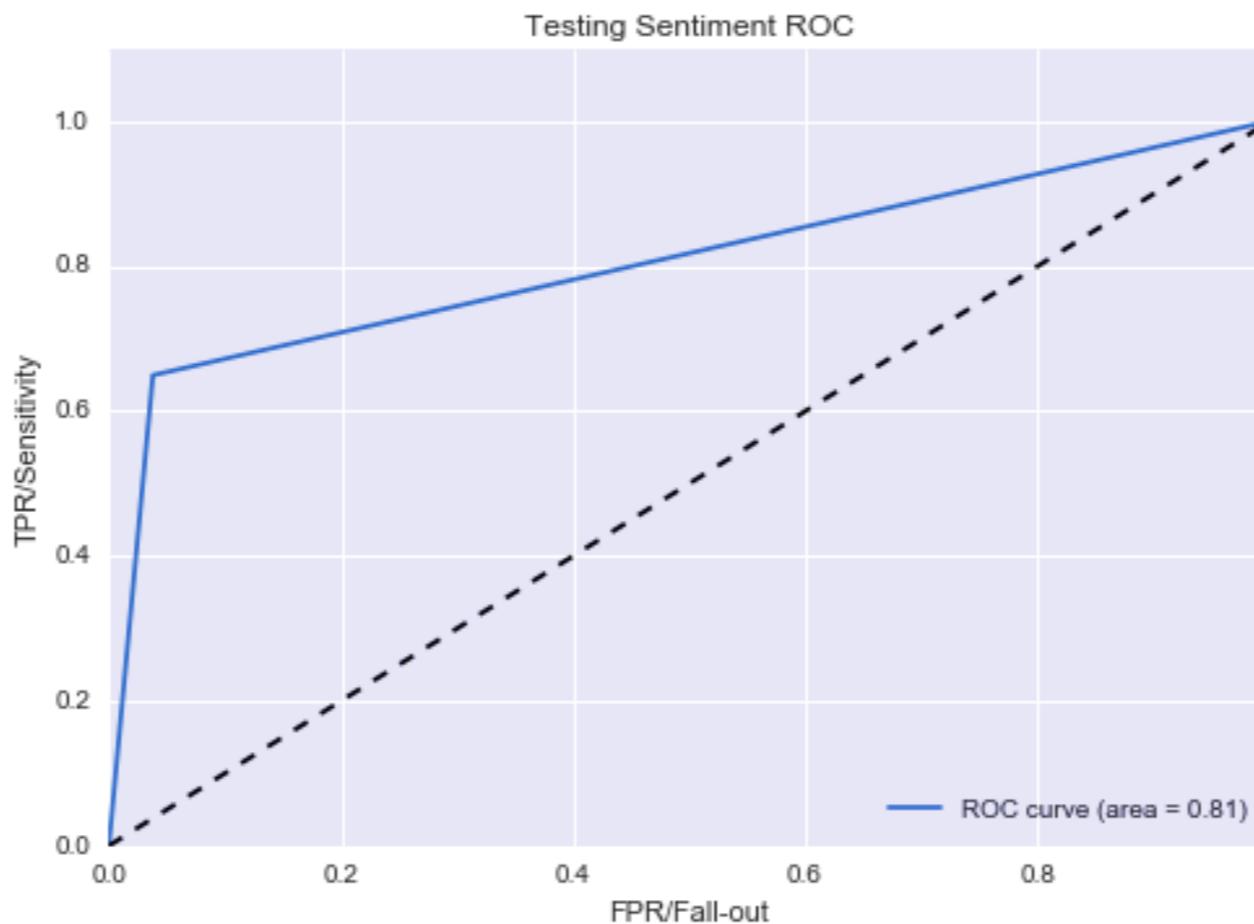
## Sentiment Analysis

# RANDOM FOREST



Training Accuracy: 99.91%  
Testing Accuracy: 84.48%

**k** → **k**  
TRAINING: 9,266      TESTING: 2,275  
Training Accuracy: 99.87%  
Testing Accuracy: 89.58%



Training Accuracy: 99.88%  
Testing Accuracy: 86.49%

## Sentiment Analysis

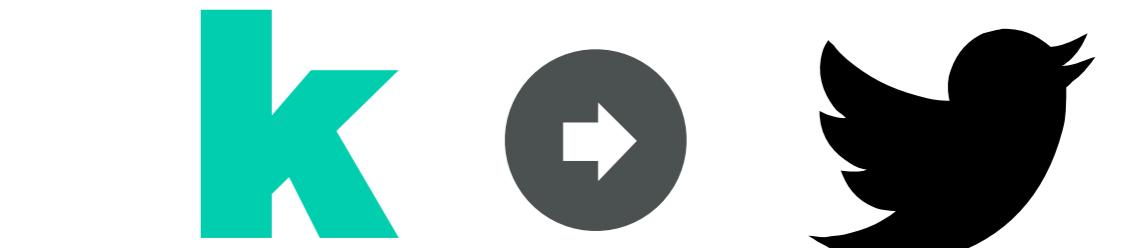
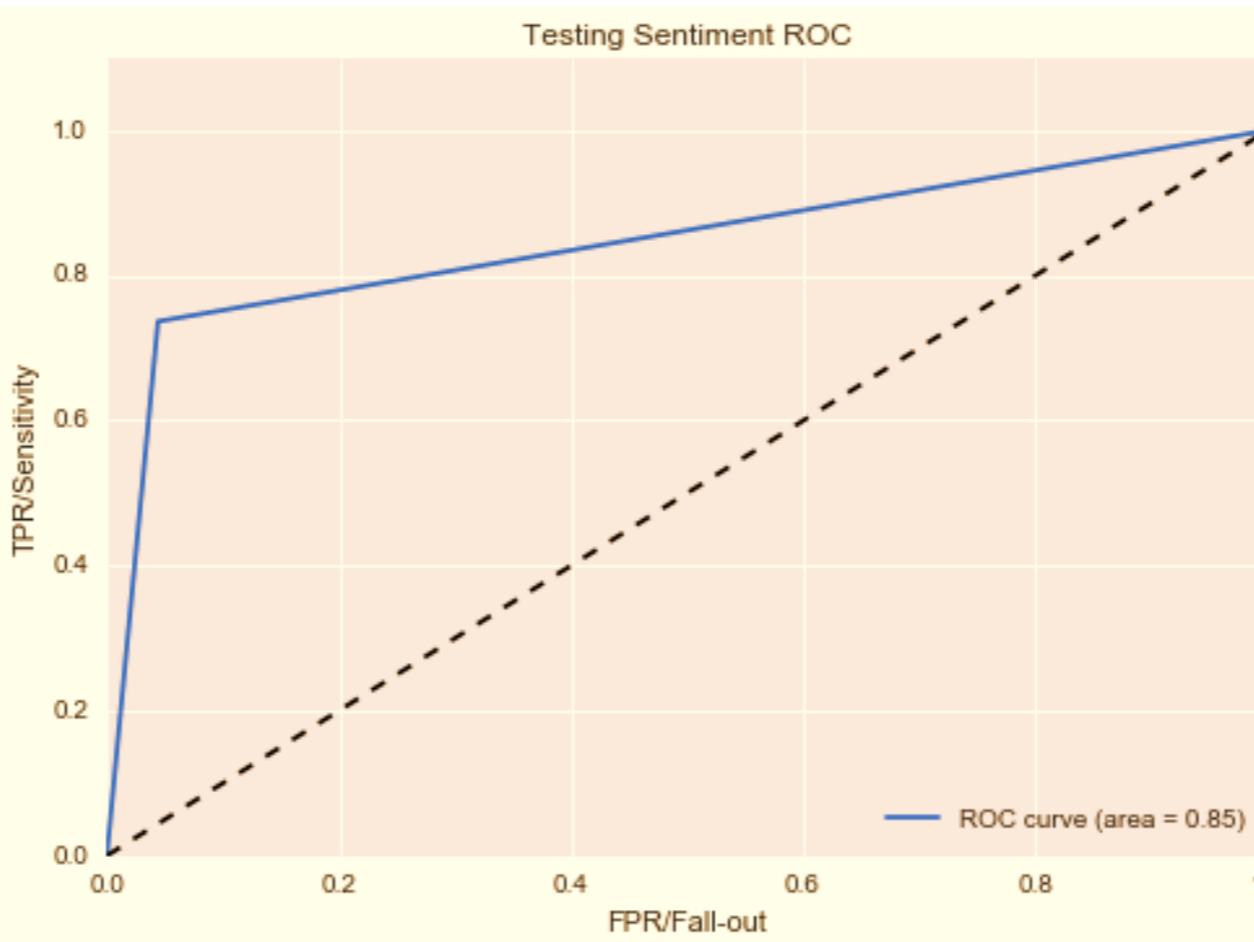
# SVC



TRAINING: 1,124

TESTING: 290

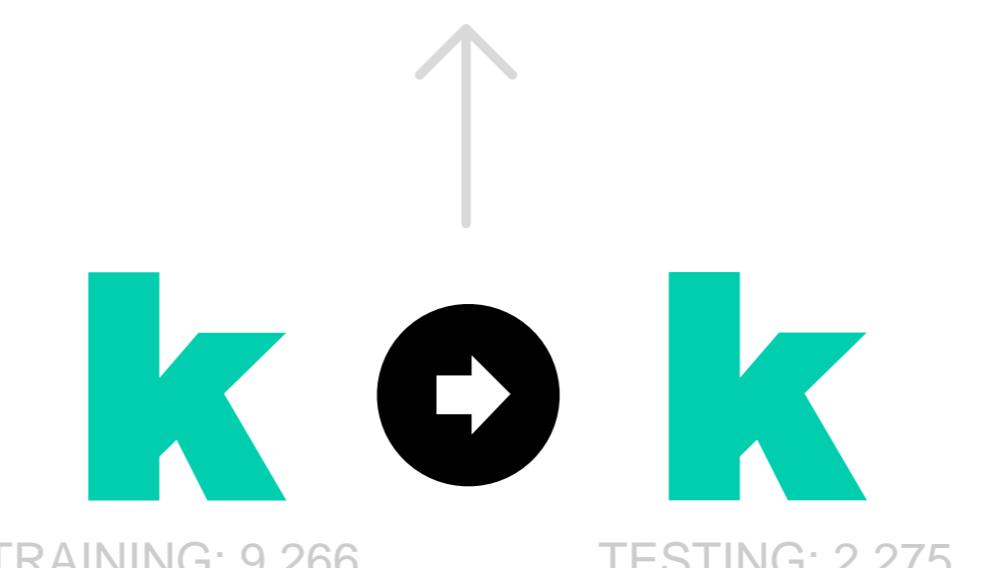
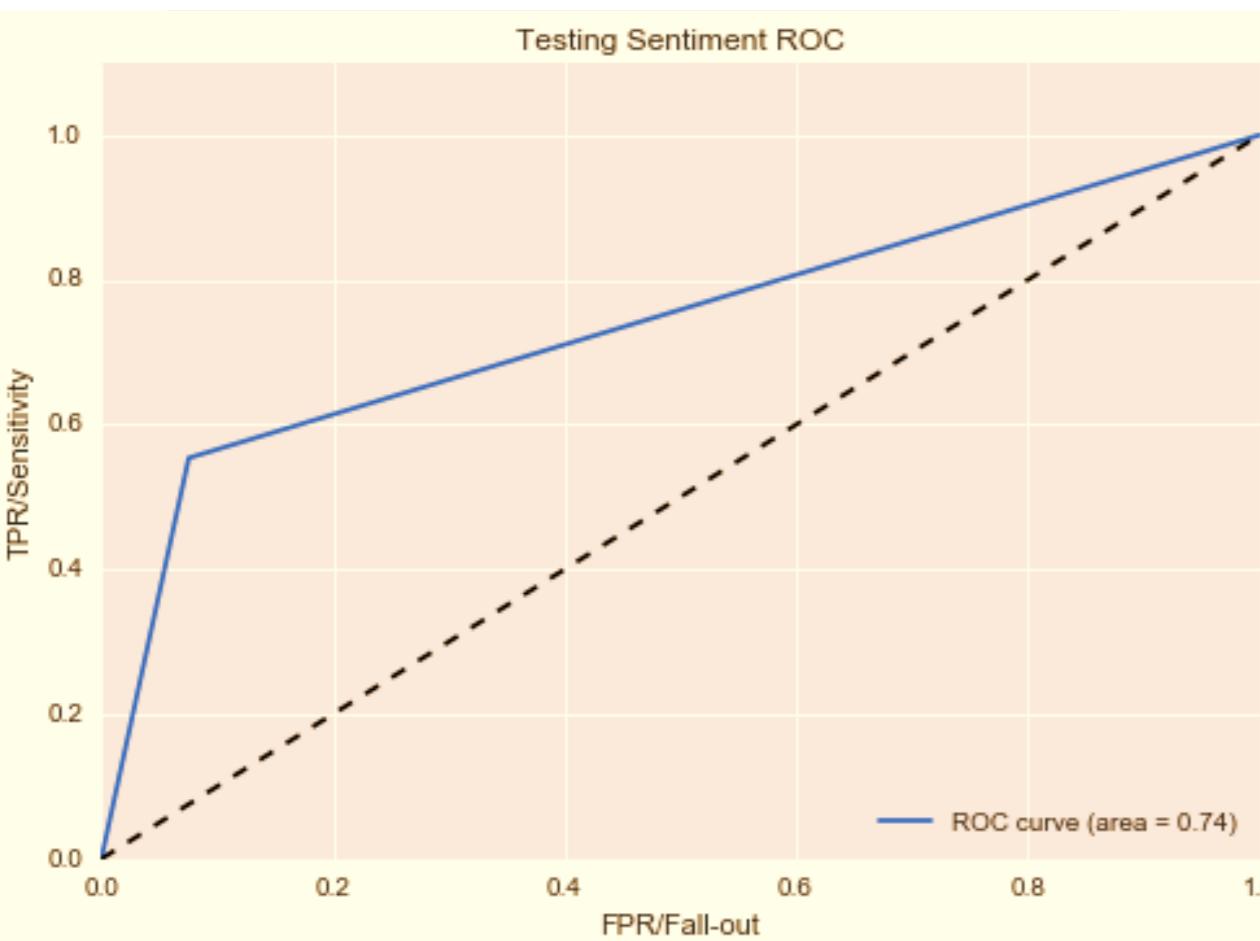
Training Accuracy: 99.56%  
Testing Accuracy: 84.14%



TRAINING: 11,541

TESTING: 1,843

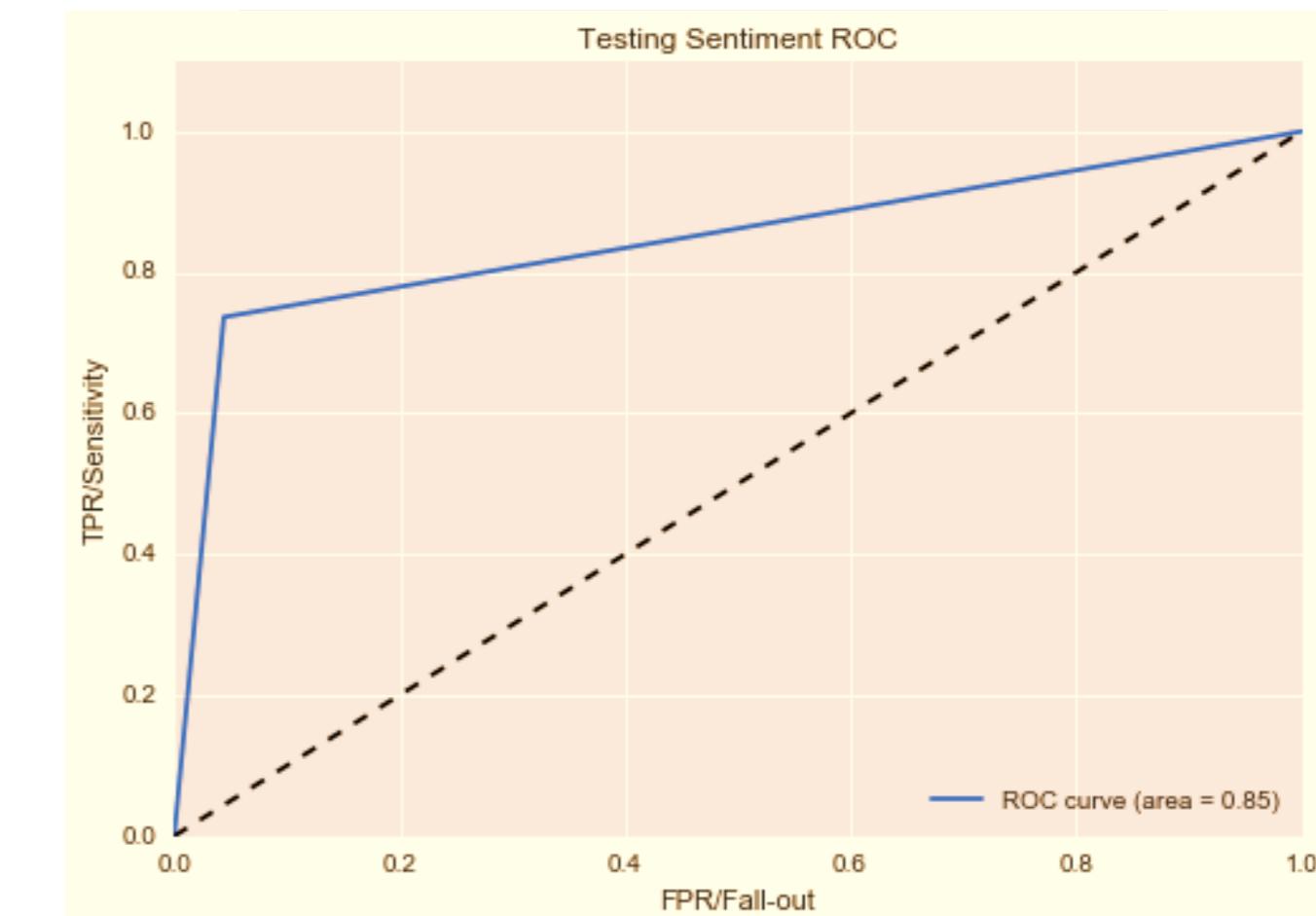
Training Accuracy: 99.12%  
Testing Accuracy: 86.38%



TRAINING: 9,266

TESTING: 2,275

Training Accuracy: 99.18%  
Testing Accuracy: 90.95%



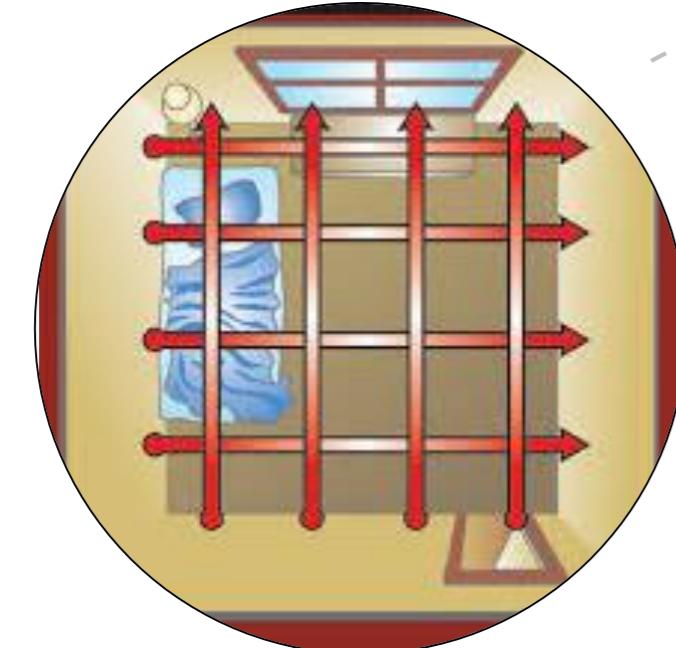
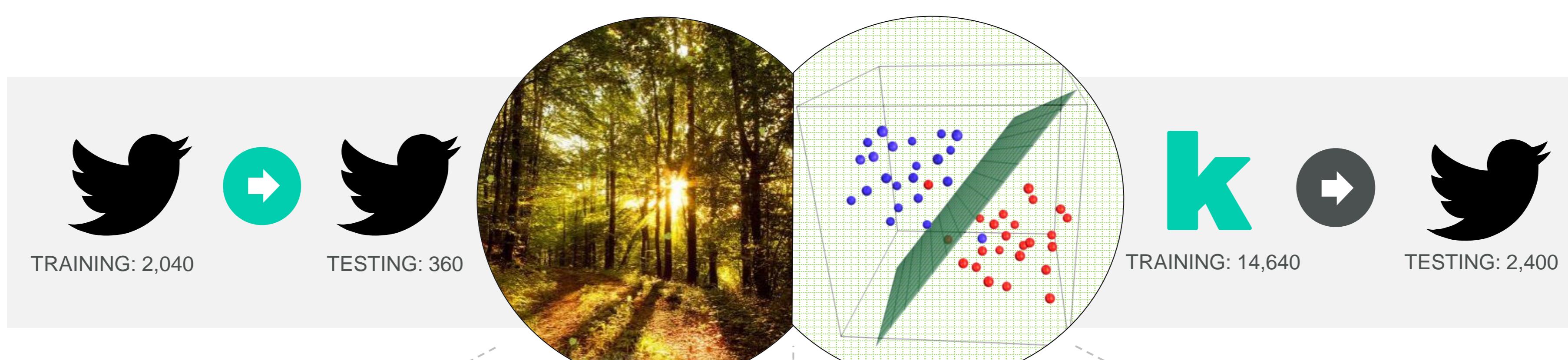


# MACHINE LEARNING

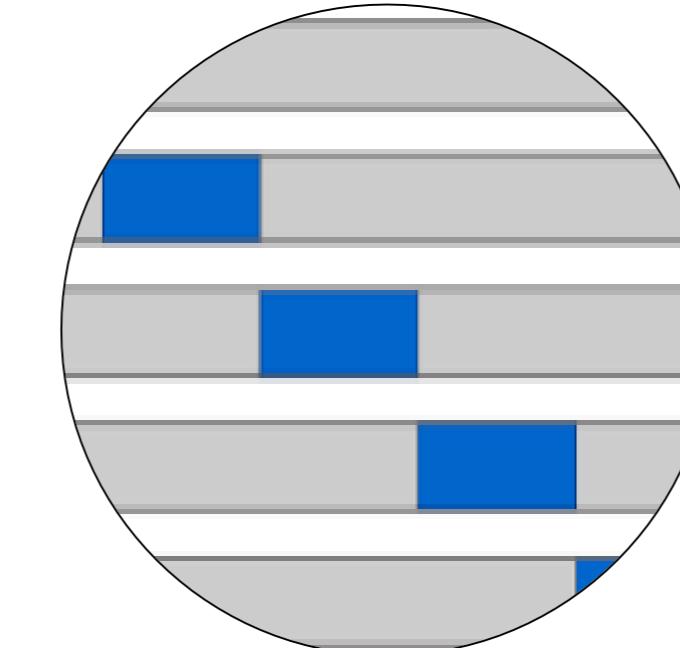
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Part II – **Multi-Class** Classifications

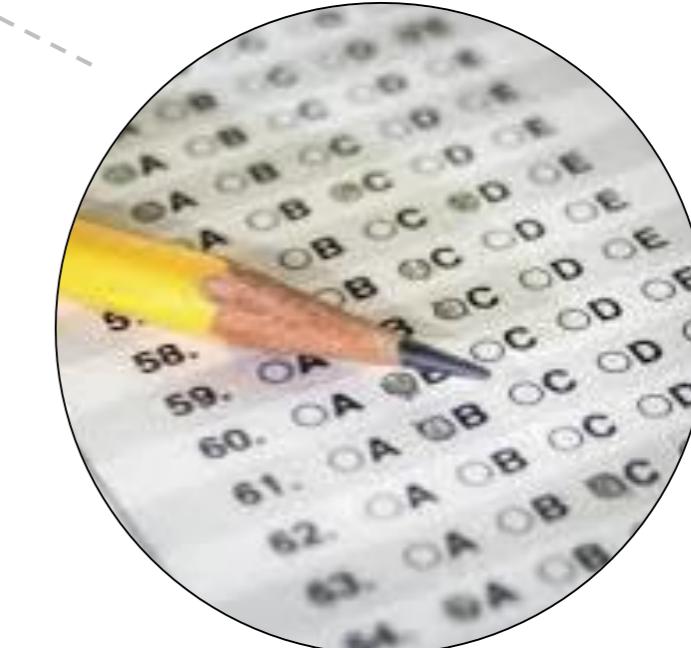
# MACHINE LEARNING II



Grid Search Cross-Validation  
`GridSearchCV()`

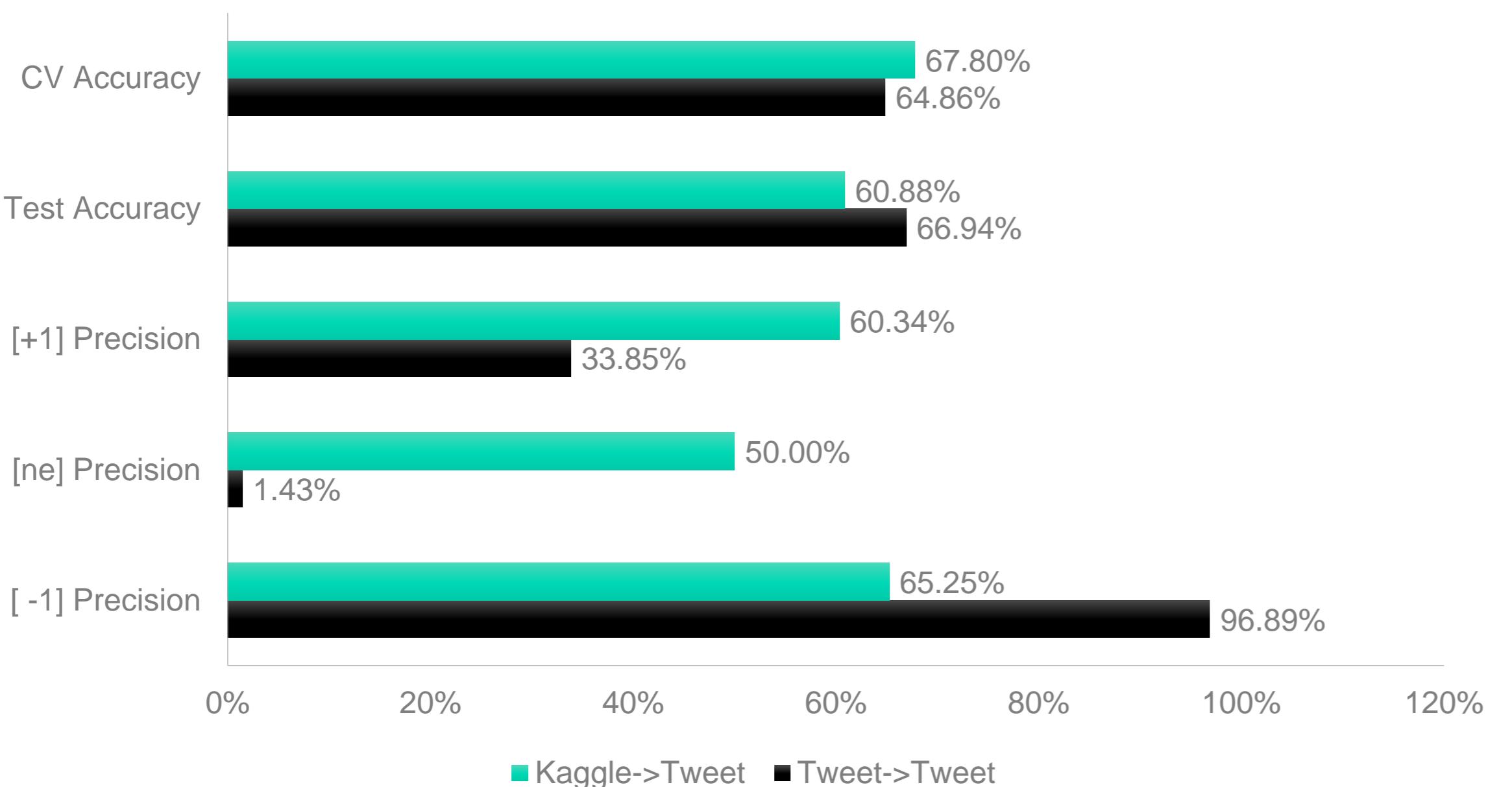


5-Fold Cross Validation  
`StratifiedKFold()`



Apply Model on Testing  
`model.fit()`

# ADABOOST MODEL PERFORMANCE



While the test accuracy is slightly lower, using Kaggle data as training set proved to be a stronger predictor based on the cross-validation accuracy results. In addition, it is superior in positive and neutral precision, not to mention much higher training volume.

```
IPython console
IP: Console 1/A X

In [59]: print('The Average Score is {:.2f}%'.format(np.average(accuracy_cv)*100))
...: multi_class_outcome(X_2400_test, y_2400_test, ada_model2)
...
The Average Score is 64.86%
   True    -1     0     1   All
Predicted
-1        218    69    42   329
 0          1     1     1     3
 1          6     0    22    28
All       225    70    65   360
66.9444444444
Your Model Score is 66.94%

In [60]: print('The Average Score is {:.2f}%'.format(np.average(accuracy_cv)*100))
...: multi_class_outcome(X_comb_test, y_comb_test, ada_model)
...
The Average Score is 70.88%
   True    -1     0     1   All
Predicted
-1        935   243    82  1260
 0        377   278    81   736
 1        121    35   248   404
All      1433   556   411  2400
60.875
Your Model Score is 60.88%

In [61]: ''
...: parameters = {'learning_rate':[0.1, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2], 'algorithm': ['SAMME', 'SAMM']}
...: ada = AdaBoostClassifier(n_estimators=100, random_state=2016)
...: clf = grid_search.GridSearchCV(ada, parameters, cv=5, n_jobs=4)
...: clf.fit(X_comb_train, y_comb_train)
...: print(clf.best_params_)
...: #
...: ''
...: ## Verifying result using Cross Validation on the entire Data Set: n_fold=5
...: skf = StratifiedKFold(y_comb_train, n_folds=5, random_state=2016)
...:
...: ada_model = AdaBoostClassifier(n_estimators=100, learning_rate=1.5, algorithm='SA
...: accu_cv = []
...: true_cv = []
...: pred_cv = []
...: for train_index, valid_index in skf:
...:     ada_model.fit(X_comb_train[train_index], y_comb_train[train_index])
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IP: Console 1/A X

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In [47]: print('The Average Score is {:.2f}%'.format(np.average(accu_cv)*100))
...: multi_class_outcome(X_2400_test, y_2400_test, svm_model2)
...:
```

The Average Score is 66.39%

Predicted	True	-1	0	1	All
-1	210	57	32	299	
0	6	10	2	18	
1	9	3	31	43	
All	225	70	65	360	

69.7222222222  
Your Model Score is 69.72%

```
In [48]: print('The Average Score is {:.2f}%'.format(np.average(accu_cv)*100))
...: multi_class_outcome(X_comb_test, y_comb_test, svm_model)
...:
```

The Average Score is 71.91%

Predicted	True	-1	0	1	All
-1	1137	253	97	1487	
0	217	273	66	556	
1	79	30	248	357	
All	1433	556	411	2400	

69.0833333333  
Your Model Score is 69.08%

```
In [49]: ## Here we Correlation between the truth and prediction
...: TrueLabel = list(itertools.chain(*true_cv))
...: PredictedLabel = list(itertools.chain(*pred_cv))
...: print ('Correlation between the actual and prediction is:', pearsonr(TrueLabel
...:           'with p-value', ("%2.2f" % pearsonr(TrueLabel, PredictedLabel)[1]))
...:
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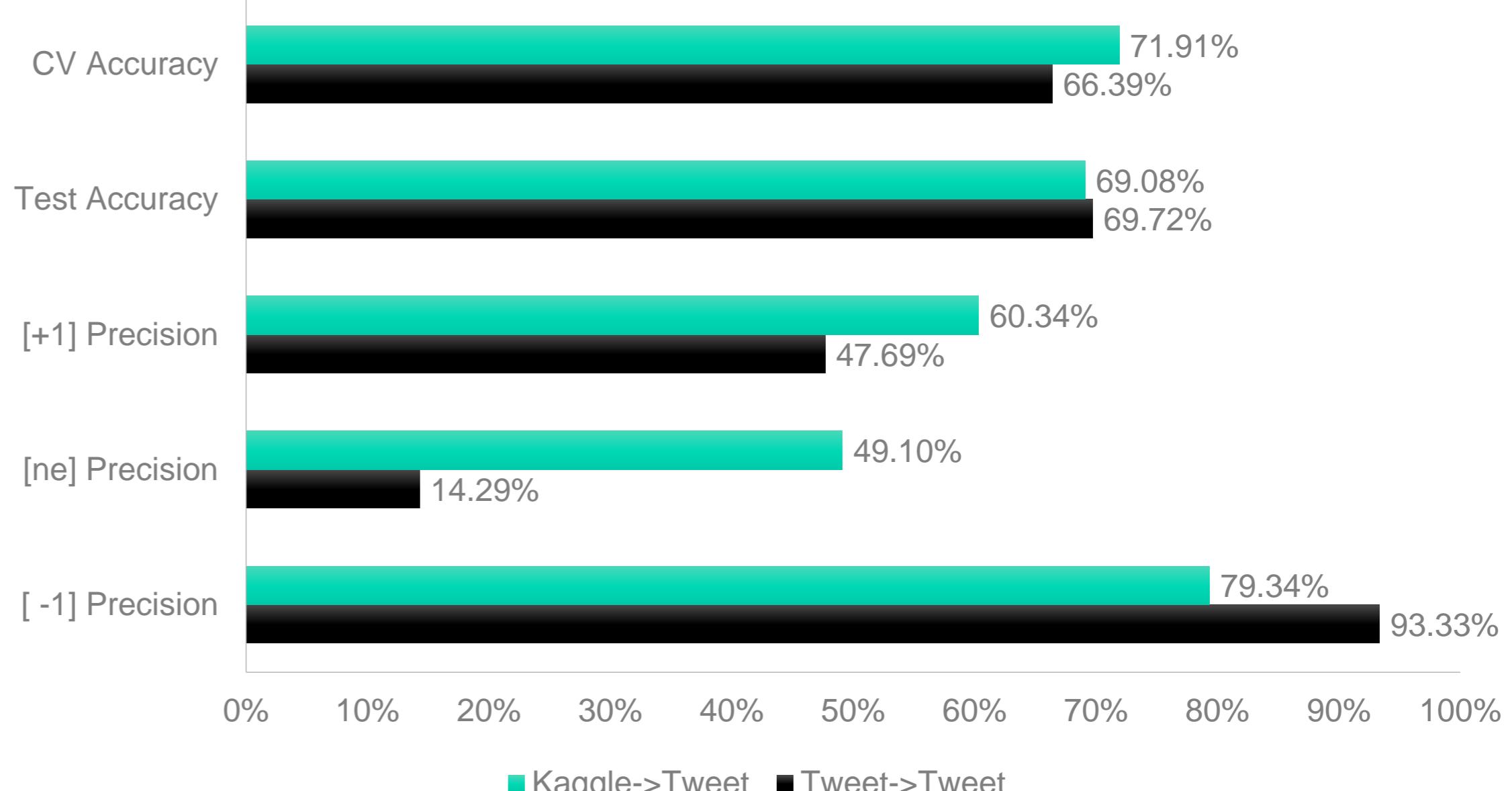
Correlation between the actual and prediction is: 0.576245965274 with p-value 0.00

```
In [50]: ## Here we plot out the confusion matrix of the Cross-Validation Results
...: cm = confusion_matrix(PredictedLabel, TrueLabel)
...: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
...: im = ax.matshow(cm)
...: for (i, j), z in np.ndenumerate(cm):
...:     ax.text(j, i, '{:0.1f}'.format(z), ha='center', va='center',
...:             bbox=dict(boxstyle='round', facecolor='white', edgecolor='0.3'))
```

# SVC

## MODEL PERFORMANCE

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Again, while we see the precision of the twitter data is superior, the Kaggle data yields a more balanced results for all three sentiments.

Because the overall test accuracy is about the same, we chose to use Kaggle data as training due to its superior CV accuracy as well as its large sum of data points (~8X).

# CONCLUSION

Support Vector Classifier

Model Parameters: decision\_fun='ovo', kernel='linear', cost=0.4, gamma=0

Use [Entire Kaggle Dataset](#) as Training Set (14,640 data points)

Apply Model to Tweets of Unknown Sentiment

# STATISTICS

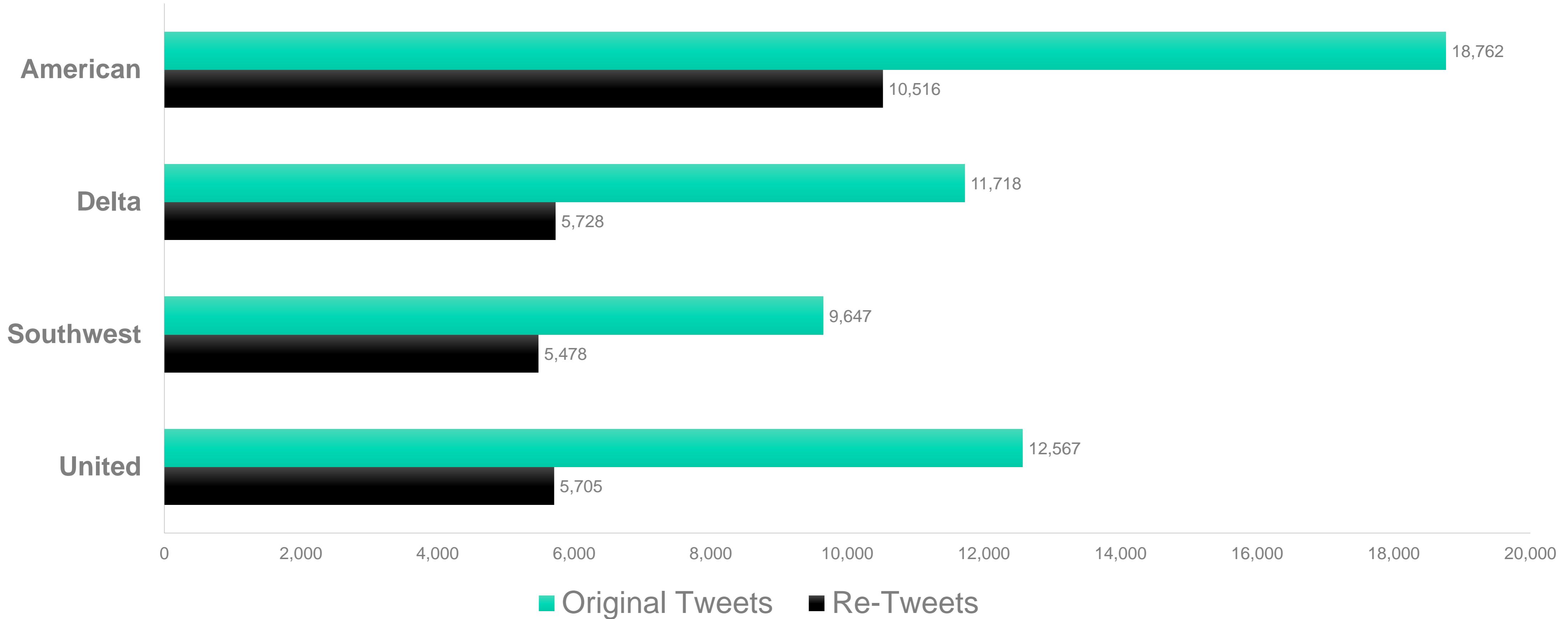
Now we have the model, let's take a look at the results of collected tweets!



Sentiment Analysis

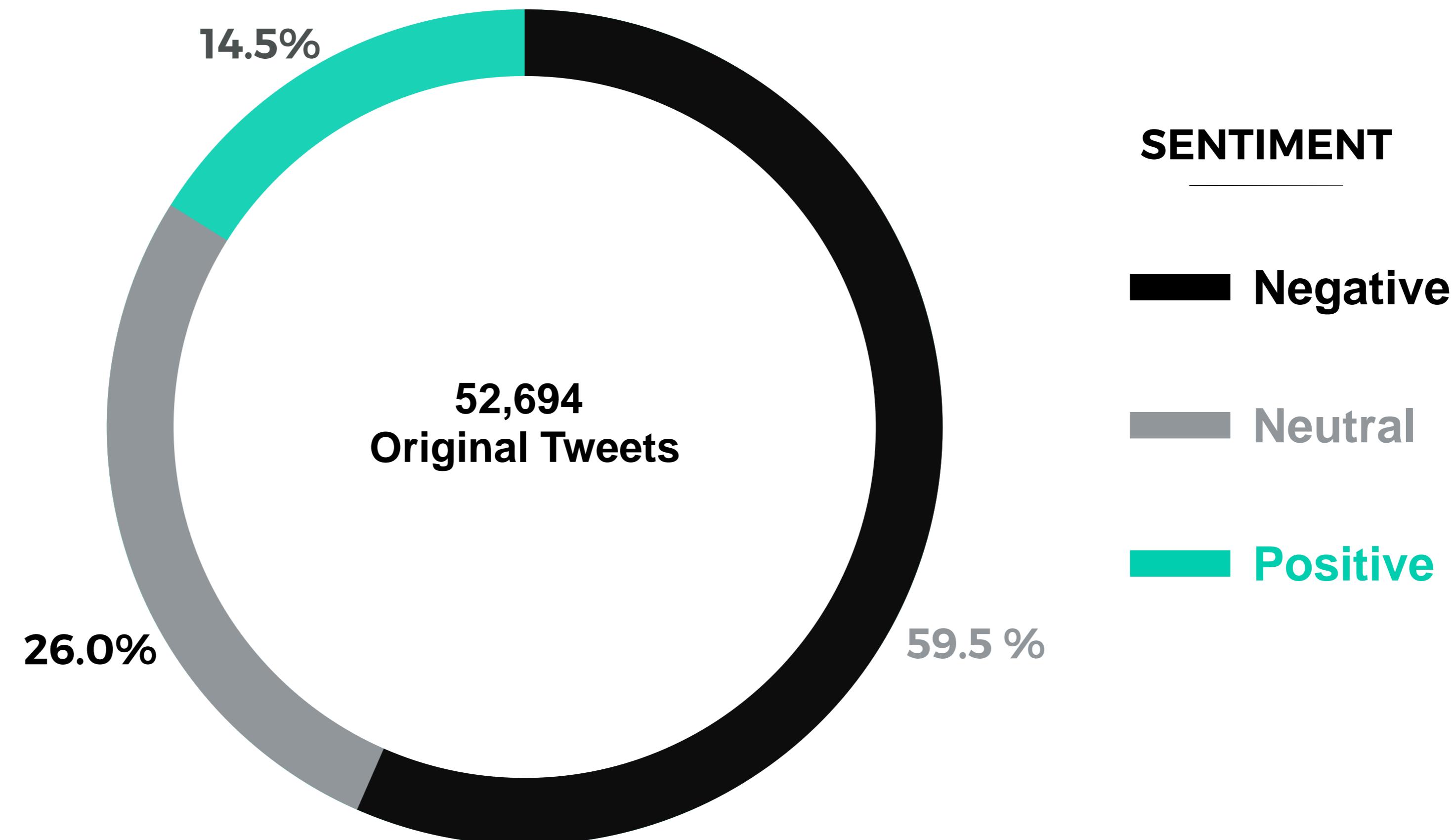
# NUMBER OF TWEETS

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# OVERALL SENTIMENT

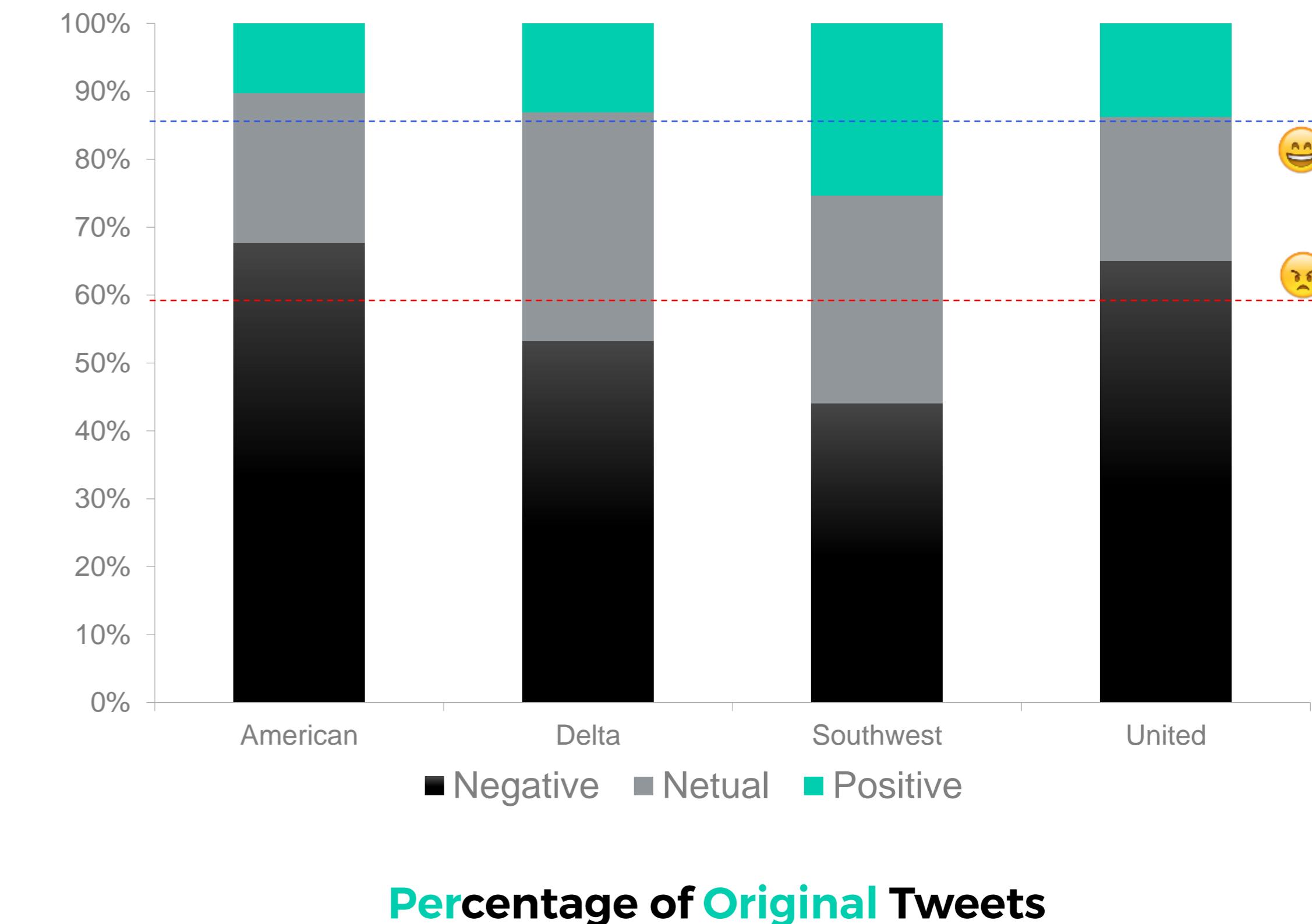
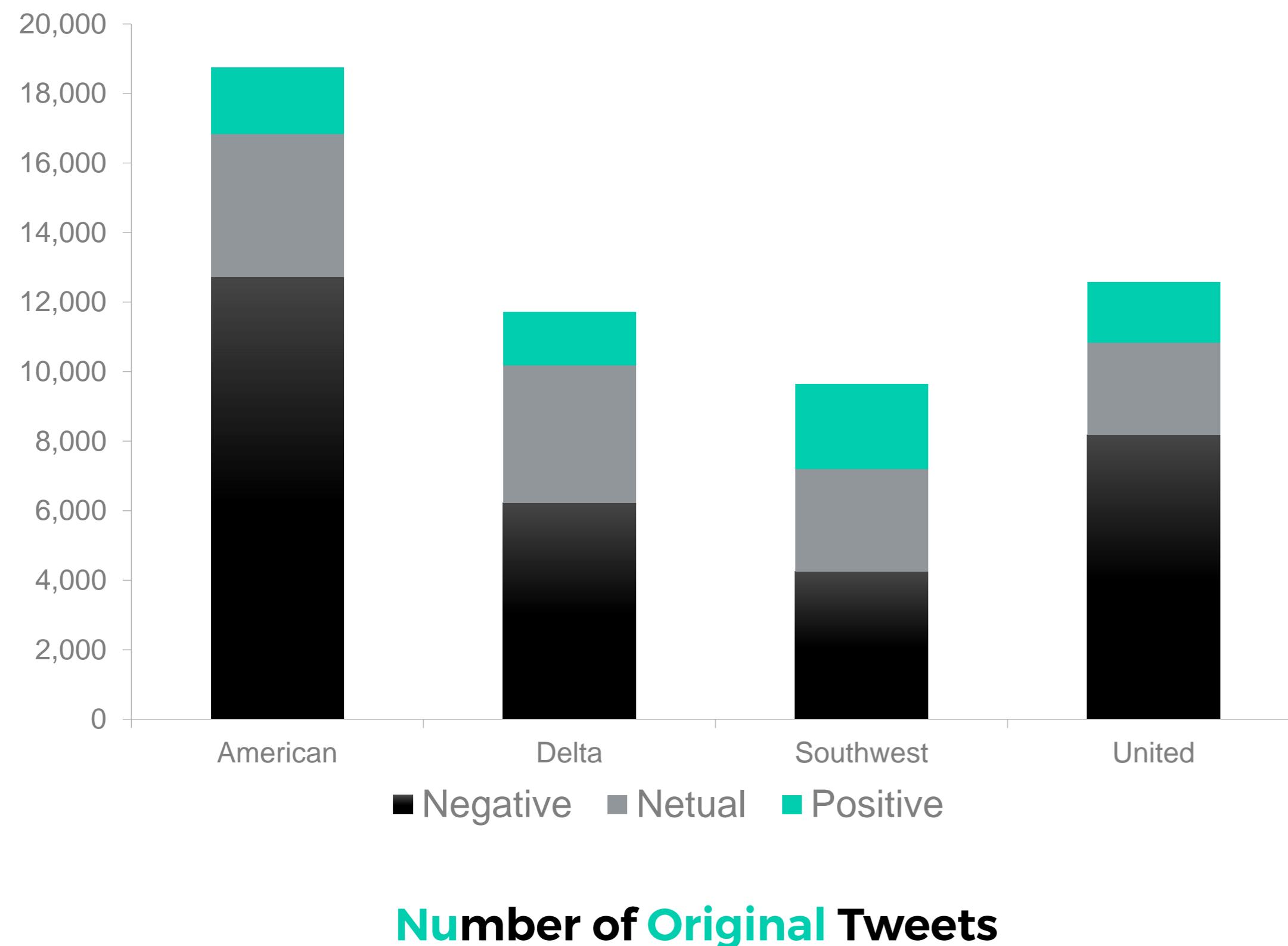
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Sentiment Analysis

# SENTIMENT PER AIRLINE

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# AMERICAN AIRLINE

# Negative Sentiment

# “Cenk Uygur”



# Positive Sentiment

# DELTA AIRLINE



# Negative Sentiment

# “Delta Assist”



# Positive Sentiment

# SOUTHWEST AIRLINE



Negative Sentiment

“Dalton Rapattoni”



Positive Sentiment

“Dalton Rapattoni”

# UNITED AIRLINE

# Negative Sentiment

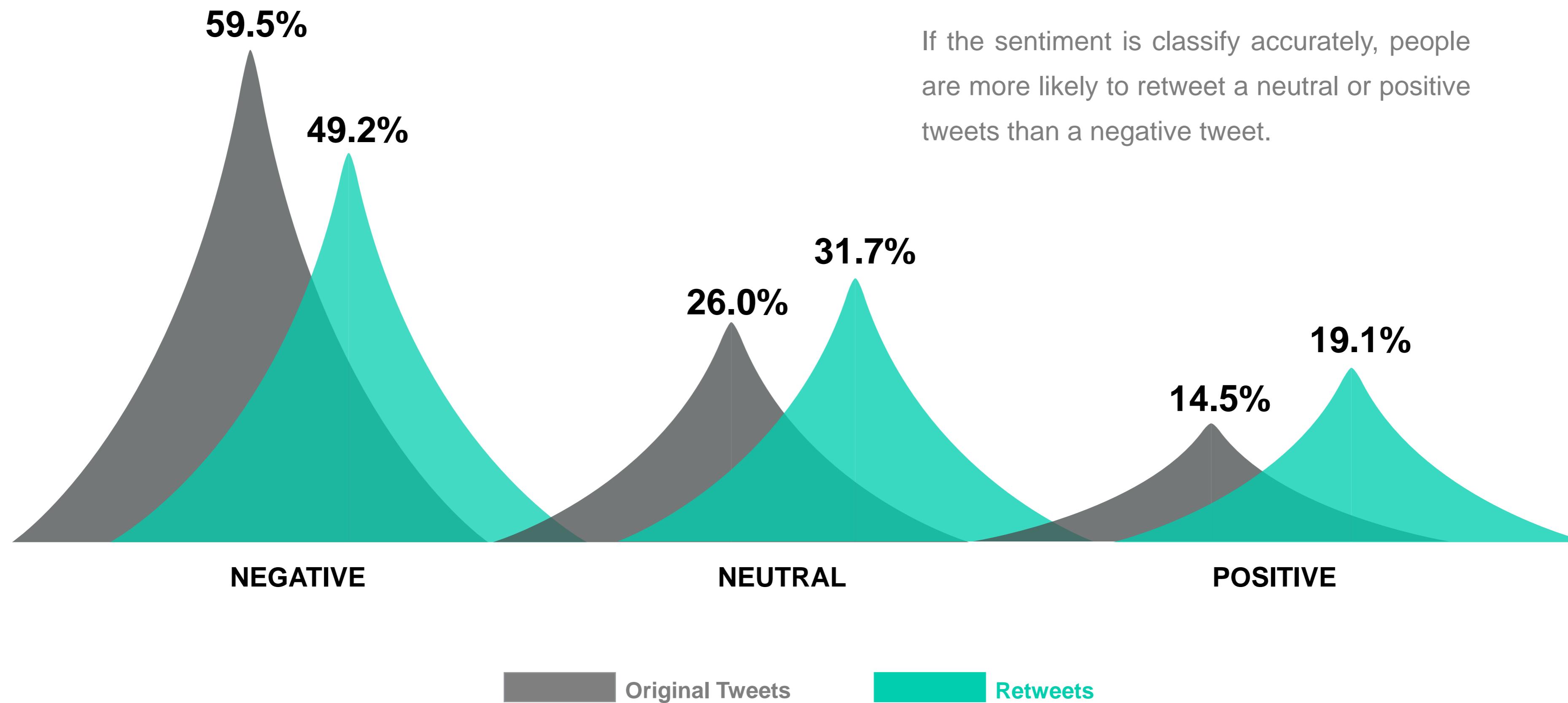
## “Muslim”, “Shame”

# Positive Sentiment

# “Happy Birthday”, “90th”

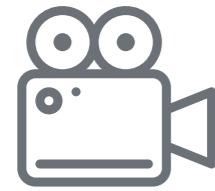
# RETWEET PER SENTIMENT

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# MOST RETWEETED TWEETS

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**10,260 Retweets...**

RT @JensenAckles: @AmericanAir I know it's crazy #DFWsnow I'm just excited 2see my baby girl! Man freaking out next 2 me isn't helping

**17,093 Retweets...**

RT @Mets: We're partnering with @Delta to send a lucky fan to games 1 & 2! RT for your chance to win #DeltaMetsSweeps <https://t.co/CDELSe84>

**3,362 Retweets...**

RT @SouthwestAir: Yo #Kimye, we're really happy for you, we'll let you finish, but South is one of the best names of all time.

**3,329 Retweets...**

RT @antoniodelotero: this skank bitch was SO RUDE to me on my flight!!!! @united I asked for her name and she goes, "it's Britney bitch."

**3,795 Retweets...**

RT @UMG: The perfect trio @theweeknd @ddlovato and Lucian Grainge #MusicIsUniversal #UMGShowcase w/ @AmericanAir & @Citi <https://t.co/J>

**3,535 Retweets...**

RT @JackAndJackReal: Thanks @Delta for adding our movie to all your flights! If any of you are traveling and bored make sure u peep it

**1,952 Retweets...**

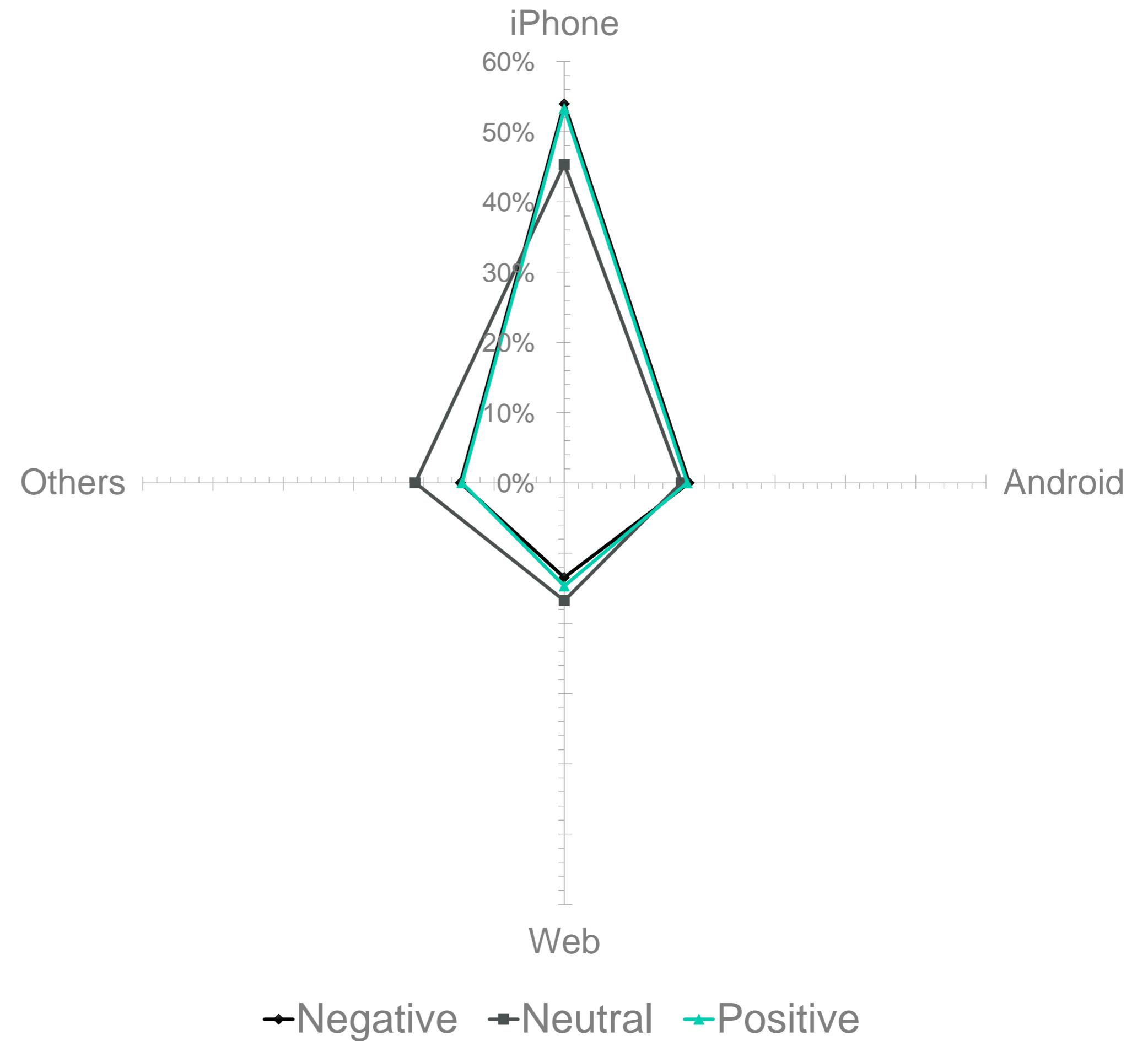
RT @DaltonRapattoni: Been home in Dallas for hours now but still in the airport. @SouthwestAir PLEASE find my bag. Please RT. #SWAFindDalton

**352 Retweets...**

RT @ggreenwald: Arab-American family of 5 going on vacation - 3 young kids in tow - removed from @United plane for "safety reasons" <https://...>

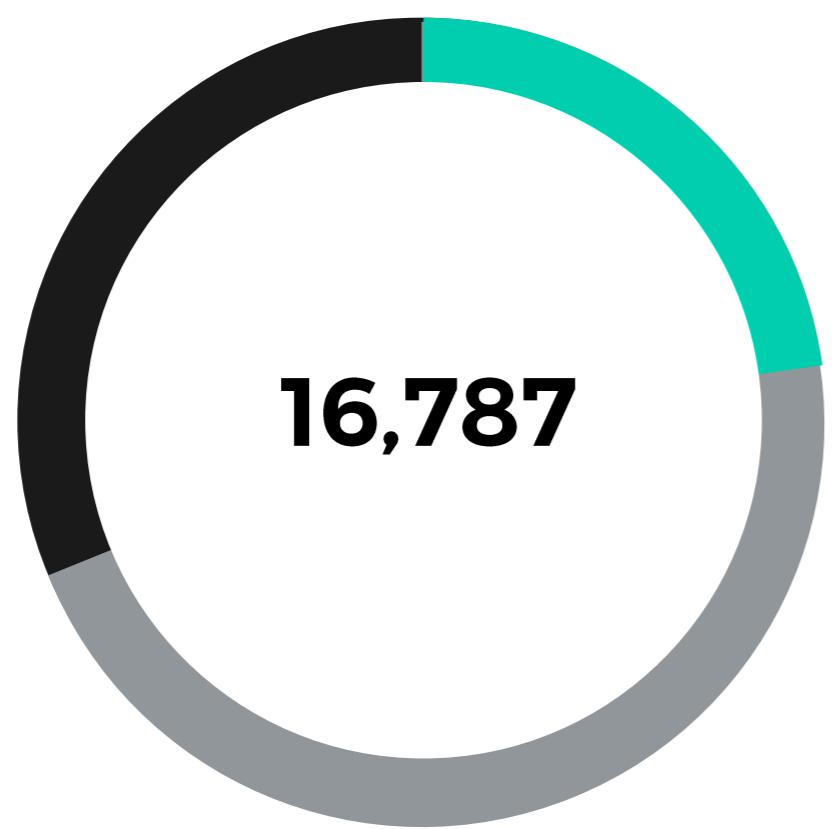
# TWEET SOURCES

The majority of the tweets are from iPhone. There is also almost 20% of tweets from Android devices. The rest from the Web client and other applications. There is little difference between the source of negative and positive tweets; but there seems to be more alternative sources for the neutral sentiment.



# SENTIMENT PER MEDIA TYPE

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Photo

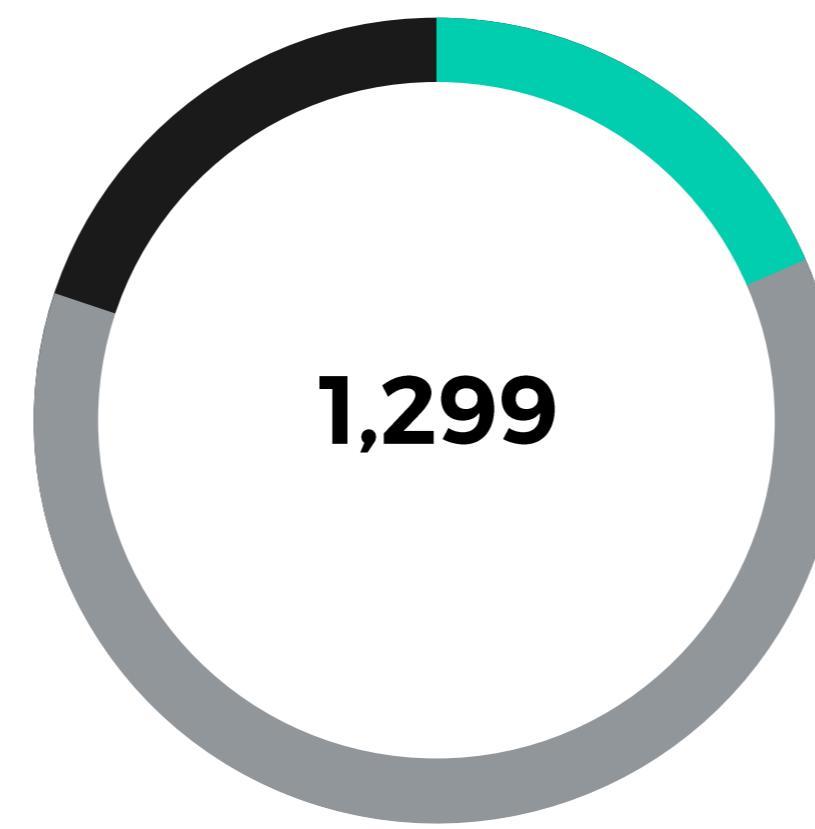
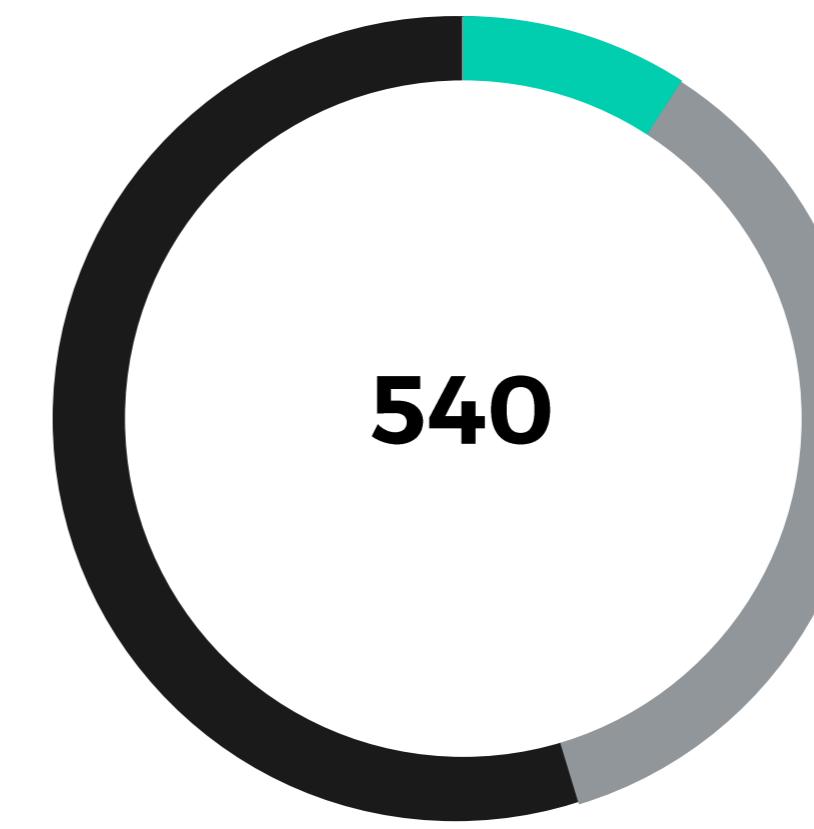


Photo Link



Video Link

## SENTIMENT

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Negative

Neutral

Positive



# ENDING THOUGHTS

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Discussing final thoughts and some future steps

# THOUGHTS & FUTURE STEPS



## COORDINATES

Current coordinates data  
isn't great for Geo-location  
analysis



## MULTIPLE VALIDATION

Each data point being  
validated by multiple people



## OTHER MODELS

Naïve Bayes  
Lemmatization



## CLUSTERING

Unsupervised model to  
discover words association



<https://github.com/michaelucsb/ga-capstone-project-airlines>



**THANK  
YOU**

Q & A