

# Trading Tips from Trump's Twitter

Named Entity Recognition and Sentiment Analysis on President Trump's Tweets to Test a Simple Stock Trading Strategy

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# Project Overview

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# Question

To what extent does President Trump's sentiment about a company, as reflected in his tweets, affect the stock price of that company? Can we make money trading the positive and negative sentiment toward companies of Trump's tweets?

## Background

Yes, Trump's Tweets Move the Stock Market. But Not for Long.

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 Vox

The Volfe Index, Wall Street's new way to measure the effects of Trump tweets, explained

The president is tweeting more — and he's moving markets with it.

How Trump's Tweets Infect Your Stock Market Investing

 Forbes

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 FOX BUSINESS

Meet the algorithms connecting Trump tweets and the stock market

Trump's tweets hurt stocks, research finds

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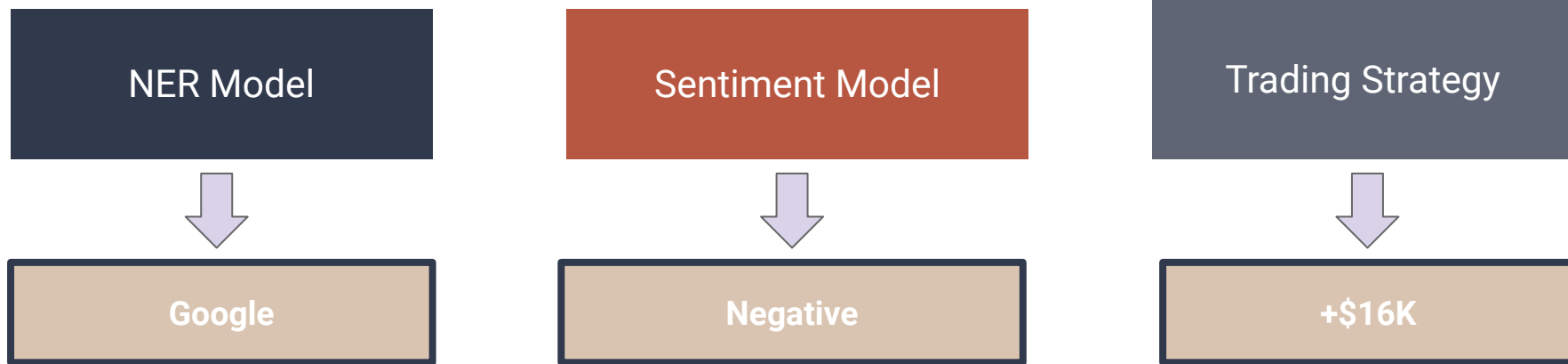
## Hypothesis

President Trump's tweets *do have a significant impact* on public perception of a company and should impact a company's stock price. So, *there is opportunity to make money* trading Trump's sentiment of these companies.

# Approach

**“Wow, Report Just Out! Google manipulated from 2.6 million to 16 million votes for Hillary Clinton in 2016 Election! This was put out by a Clinton supporter, not a Trump Supporter! Google should be sued. My victory was even bigger than thought! @JudicialWatch.”**

~ by Donald Trump, August 19, 2019 at 8:52 AM, Twitter



# NER Models



## Models

### Stanford CoreNLP

Linear chain Conditional  
Random Field (CRF) sequence  
models

### spaCy NER

LSTM + CNN using  
context-sensitive matrices for  
sentences from word  
embedding vectors



## Training Data

### Stanford CoreNLP

CoNLL 2003, Message  
Understanding Conference  
(MUC) 6 and 7, and Automatic  
Content Extraction (ACE) 2002

### spaCy NER

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## Performance

	Precision	Recall	F1
<b>Stanford CoreNLP</b>	<b>0.327</b>	<b>0.823</b>	<b>0.469</b>
<i>spaCy NER</i>	0.190	0.300	0.232
<i>capitalized words - baseline</i>	0.123	0.930	0.217

# Sentiment Models

## Data

**Sentiment140** by Stanford

-Twitter corpus with 1.5MM training examples

-**Label:** 4 (Positive), 0 (Negative)

## Data Formatting/Transformation

Tokenize  
Convert to Sequence  
Pad

## Data Cleansing

Remove stop words, Lower casing, Remove numbers and special characters, Canonicalization (stemming, lemmatization), Expand abbreviations, etc.

## Model Performance

Model	train	validation	test
<i>TextBlob</i> (NLTK)			80%
<i>Naive Bayes</i>			76%
<b><i>CNN</i></b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>81%</b>
<i>LSTM</i>	78%	79%	79%

# Trading Strategy

**Test Period:** 1/20/2017 ~ 10/25/2019

**Experiment  
Portfolio**

**Positive** Tweet



Buy at Today's Close Price



Sell at Next Day's Close Price

**Negative** Tweet



Sell at Today's Close Price



Buy at Next Day's Close Price

-Trade/Reverse  
100% Share

-No Transaction  
Fees Assumed

**Baseline  
Portfolio**

Hold Shares Steady

# Trading Results

## Trading Result Summary

		Amazon			
		Baseline	Experiment	NetTradeProfit	NetProfit%
begin	1/20/2017	808330	808330	0	
end	10/25/2019	1761329	1848120	86790	4.70

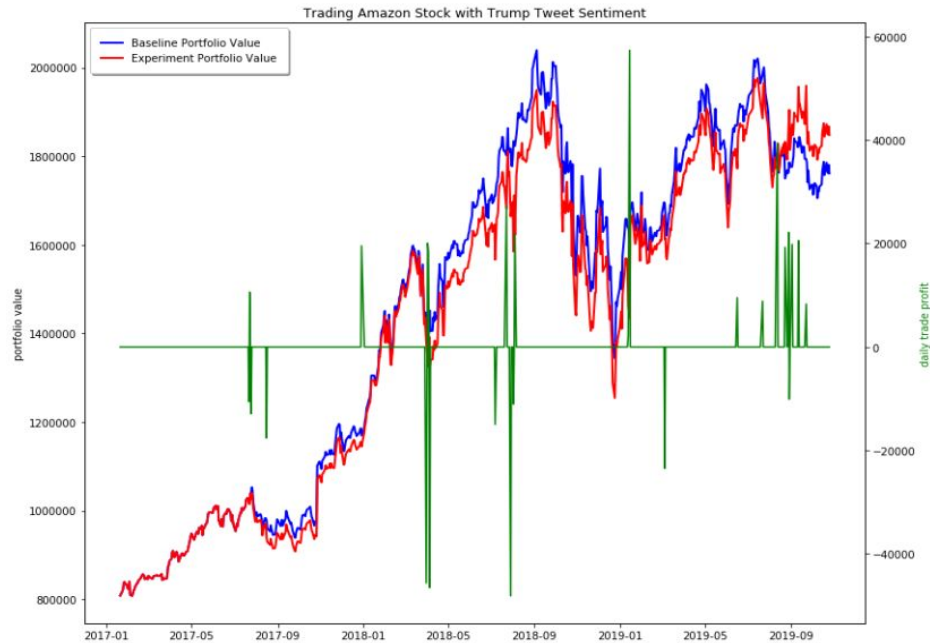


		Google			
		Baseline	Experiment	NetTradeProfit	NetProfit%
begin	1/20/2017	805020	805020	0	
end	10/25/2019	1265130	1287090	21960	1.71



		Facebook			
		Baseline	Experiment	NetTradeProfit	NetProfit%
begin	1/20/2017	127040	127040	0	
end	10/25/2019	187890	182930	-4960	-2.71

## Amazon Trading Performance





# Learnings & Future Work

## Learnings

1. NER models require training on data in similar domain
2. Mapping holding companies to their subsidiaries a difficult task that constrained our analysis.
3. People tweet in different language style in twitter. Do the standard text cleansings steps help or hurt for catching twitter sentiment?

## Future Work

1. Train out-of-the box NER models using Twitter corpus.
2. Build or buy a mapping of subsidiary companies to their holding company.
3. We used most of the standard text cleansing techniques. Remove one at a time and assess how it may impact the model accuracy.

**Thank you!**  
**Questions?**