Discussing the Coronavirus Pandemic

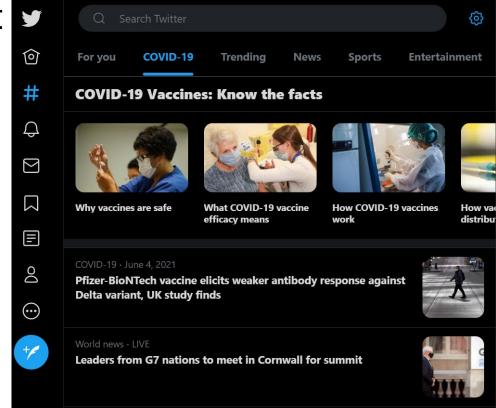
Capstone - Progress Standup

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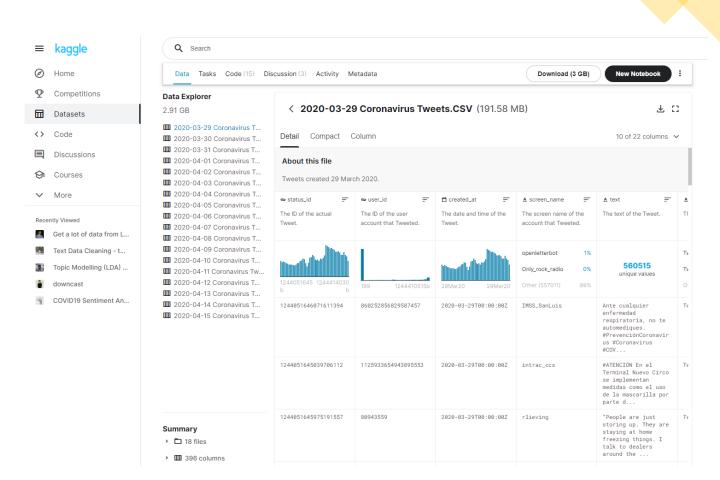
Introduction

- Covid-19 culminated in fear and grief but also some of the best solidarity amongst the global citizens;
- Analyze Twitter data from the early months of the pandemic using Unsupervised ML;
 - Topic Modeling highlight the topics being discussed;
 - Entity analysis for government bodies, entities and other influencers.



Data Gathering

- Initial attempt to hydrate ongoing Tweets;
 - Get csv of Tweet ID and download them yourself;
 - Multiple Twitter application suspensions.
- Kaggle dataset >4GB of Tweets spanning 1 month;
 - CSV Files



Data Details

>14M Rows and 22 Columns

- Rows : Separate Tweets
- Columns: Tweet and User Metadata

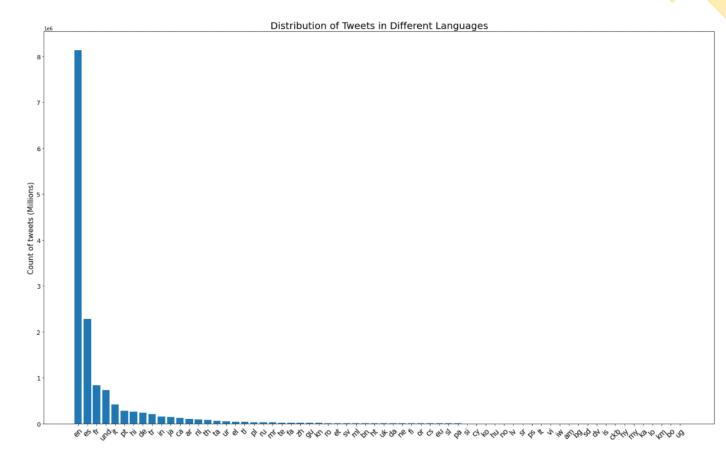
Metadata:

- Tweet:
 - Status ID, Date, Time, Favorites, Retweets, Autodetected language etc.
- User:
 - User ID, Screen Name, Account Creation Date etc.

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 14607013 entries, 0 to 14607012
Data columns (total 22 columns):
    Column
                          Dtype
    status id
                          int64
                          int64
    user id
    created at
                          object
                          object
    screen name
                          object
    text
                          object
    source
                         float64
    reply_to_status_id
   reply to user id
                          float64
    reply to screen name object
    is quote
                          bool
 10 is retweet
                          bool
 11 favourites count
                          int64
    retweet count
                          int64
    country code
                          object
    place_full_name
                          object
    place type
                          object
16 followers count
                          int64
17 friends count
                          int64
18 account lang
                          float64
   account created at
                          object
    verified
                          bool
 21 lang
                          object
dtypes: bool(3), float64(3), int64(6), object(10)
memory usage: 2.1+ GB
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Data Clean-Up

- Clean up and Preprocessing most important steps for Unsupervised NLP
- Cleaning:
 - Removed Duplicates
 - Removed columns containing null values (over 80% null)
 - For remaining data, removed rows containing null values (884 rows, <0.05%)
 - Removed rows containing non-English Tweets
 - Final English Tweets --> 8.1M



Subset Dataset – Improve Manageability

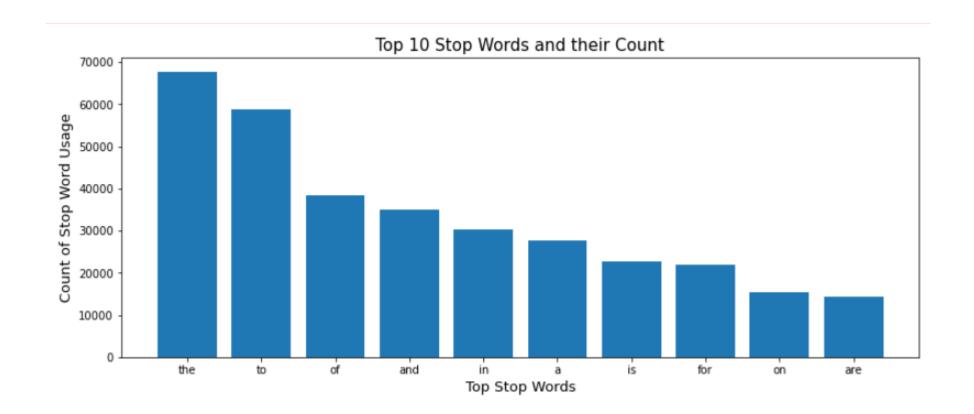
14.6M Rows with 22 Columns ---> 81.3K Rows with 9 Columns

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     text
                           object
     source
                           object
                           float64
     reply to status id
                           float64
    reply to user id
     reply to screen name object
    is quote
                           bool
 10 is retweet
                           bool
    favourites count
                           int64
                           int64
    retweet count
    country code
                           object
     place full name
                           object
     place type
                           object
    followers_count
                           int64
    friends count
                           int64
                           float64
    account lang
    account created at
                           object
    verified
                           bool
 21 lang
                           object
dtypes: bool(3), float64(3), int64(6), object(10)
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RangeIndex: 81333 entries, 0 to 81332
Data columns (total 9 columns):
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                      Non-Null Count Dtype
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    created at
                      81333 non-null object
    screen name
                      81333 non-null object
    text
                      81333 non-null bool
    is retweet
    favourites count 81333 non-null int64
    retweet count
                      81333 non-null int64
    followers count
                      81333 non-null int64
    friends count
                      81333 non-null int64
    verified
                      81333 non-null bool
dtypes: bool(2), datetime64[ns, UTC](1), int64(4), object(2)
memory usage: 4.5+ MB
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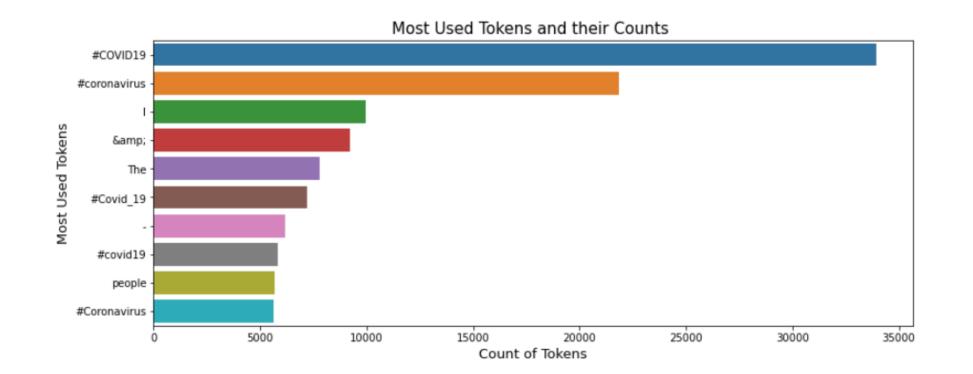
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- Lemmatization(To Be Completed)

{'Covid', '#Covid19India', '#CoronaVirusUpdate', '#Covid19inSA', 'Covid-19,', 'Coronavirus:', '#CoronaVirusNigeria', '#Coronaca tion', '#Covid19,', '#Coronavirus', '#Coronavirus,', '#CoronavirusOutbreak.', '#Covid19SA', '#Covid19SA', '#CovidHoax', '#Covid19UK', '#CoronaVirusOutbreak', '#CoronavirusPandemic', 'Corona', '#Coronavirus:', '#Coronavirus.', '#CoronavirusOutbreakindia', '#CoronaVirusInNigeria', '#CoronavirusinAndhraPradesh', '#CoronaVirus', '#CoronaVirusHoax', 'Corona?', '#Covid_19.', '#CoronaVirusUpdates', '#CoronavirusPandemic?', 'Covid19', 'Coronavirus', '#CoronavirusPandemic:', '#Coronakrise', '#CoronaUpdate', '#Coronavirustruth', '#CoronaCrisis', 'Coronavirus.', '#CoronaOutbreak', '#Covid_19?"', '#Coronavid19', '#CoronaControl', '#CoronaIndonesia', '#CoronavirusUsA', '#CoronavirusNewYork', '#Coronavirus', '#Corona(risisuk', '#CoronavirusOutbreak:', '#Covid_19!', 'Coronavirus?', '#Coronavirus?', '

Plan of Action (Next 2 Weeks)

Use Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) Topic Modeling

 Each document (Tweet) is represented by the distribution of topics and each topic is represented by the distribution of words.

Named Entity Recognition

- Entities are classified into predefined entity types like "Person", " Place" and "Organization"
- (Stretch) Future plan to hydrate recent Tweets to run through completed model.

