



NLP for Twitter Sentiment of COVID-19 Pandemic

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- Obtain Tweets
- Data
- Data Cleaning
- Sentiment
- Word relationships
- Wrap up and recommendations



Sentiment Analysis

- Identify customer needs
- Predictions
- Wider view of public opinion
- Provides for computer interpretation
- Provides reliable results

Get Tweets

- OBTAIN TWITTER PERMISSIONS
- BUILD TWEET COLLECTOR (STREAM LISTENER)
- SAVE TWEETS IN DATABASE (MONGODB)
- CONVERT TO MANAGEABLE FORMAT (DATAFRAME)

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"created at" : "Thu Apr 06 15:24:15 +0000 2017" ,
"id str" : "850006245121695744" ,
"text" : "1\/ Today we\u2019re sharing our vision for the fu
"user" : {
 "id" : 2244994945 ,
 "name" : "Twitter Dev" ,
 "screen_name" : "TwitterDev" ,
 "location" : "Internet" ,
 "url" : "https:\/\/dev.twitter.com\/" ,
 "description" : "Your official source for Twitter Platform
"place" : {
"entities" : {
  "hashtags" : [
 ] ,
  "urls" : [
     "url" : "https:\/\/t.co\/XweGngmxlP" ,
     "unwound" : {
       "url" : "https:\/\/cards.twitter.com\/cards\/18ce53w
       "title" : "Building the Future of the Twitter API Pl
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The Data

Source of tweets

• Tweets: 231,542

• Avg Length: 123

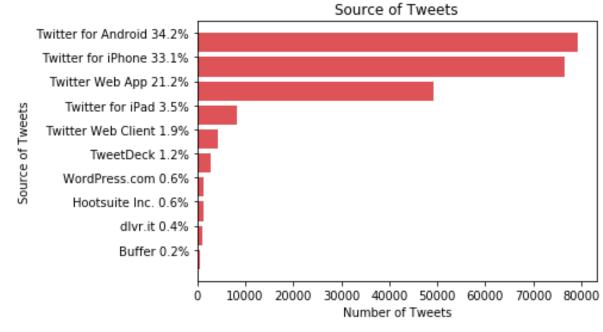
• Shortest: 1

• Longest: 158

• Languages: 55/56

• Mostly English: 157,423

• Emojis: 5446



Cleaning

• Remove

- @mentions and URLs
- Odd characters
- Common words
- Random whitespace

Convert

- Lowercase
- Words to root (lemmatization)

Comparison Cleaned Tweets				
Original	Cleaned			
Act now and call on the President to take back his dangerous threat, and instead work to strengthen the @WHO by ful https://t.co/KpKKo0p2nL	act call president take back dangerous threat instead work strengthen ful			

Cleaning

- Also Convert
 - Emojis

Although some processors automatically interpret emojis

Emoji Conversion				
Before	After			
4	backhandindexpointingdown			
	cryingface			
	facewithtearsofjoy			
6	loudlycryingface			
**	raisedfist			
3.5	thinkingface			
4	thumbsup			

Sentiment – VADER Sentiment Analysis

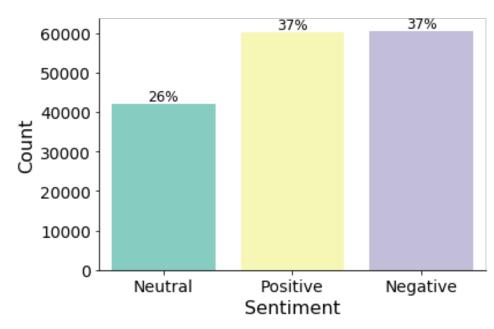
- Words given sentiment values
 - Positive
 - Negative
 - Neutral
 - Combined

\$	neg 🕏	neu 🕏	pos 🕏	compound \$
0	0.000	1.000	0.000	0.0000
1	0.000	0.629	0.371	0.7096
2	0.365	0.506	0.129	-0.6369
3	0.000	0.000	1.000	0.2500
4	0.511	0.489	0.000	-0.9274

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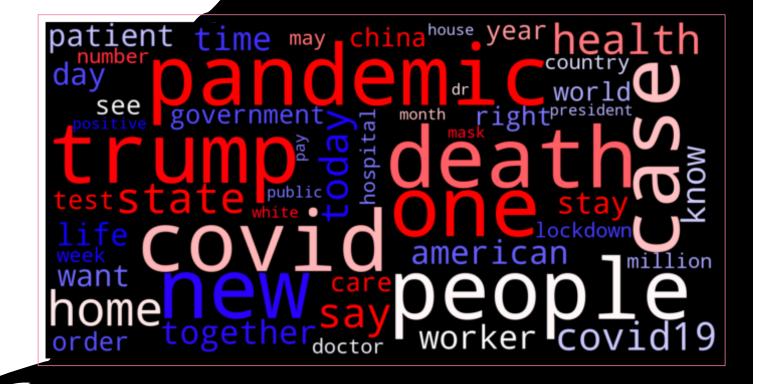
- Words given sentiment values
 - Positive
 - Negative
 - Neutral
 - Combined
- Pandemic tweets
 - Nearly even

Vader COVID-19 Sentiment



Top 20 Words				
word	count			
people	15630			
coronavirus	8417			
death	7859			
new	7248			
trump	7169			
one	6012			
case	5955			
thing	5903			
home	5514			
look	5062			
like	5036			
state	4973			
health	4878			
say	4831			
today	4605			
need	4578			
together	4338			
get	4219			
time	4188			
bad	4102			

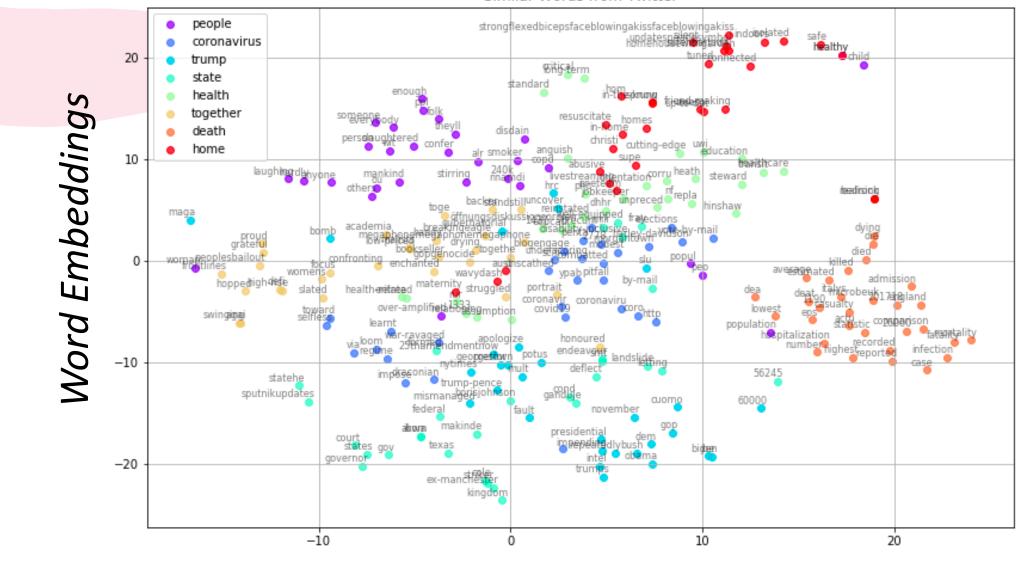
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Word Relationship Values

- Assign similarity value:
 - Medication to hydroxychloroquine 0.41
 - Pandemic to COVID 0.15
- Most similar to:
 - China CCP, Communist, threatens, Beijing, Chinese
 - Patient hospital, hydroxychloroquine, treating, randomized
- Doesn't belong:
 - Pandemic, health, medication → pandemic
 - People, coronavirus, death → coronavirus

Similar Words from Twitter





Additional Explorations

- ADDITIONAL WORD EMBEDDINGS TECHNIQUES
- PHRASE ANALYSIS WITH GENSIM
- RUN ANALYSIS WITH LESS CLEANED DATA
- RUN ANALYSIS WITH CLEANER DATA
- TRY OTHER MODELS