

Subreddit Classifier r/investing or r/cryptocurrency!?

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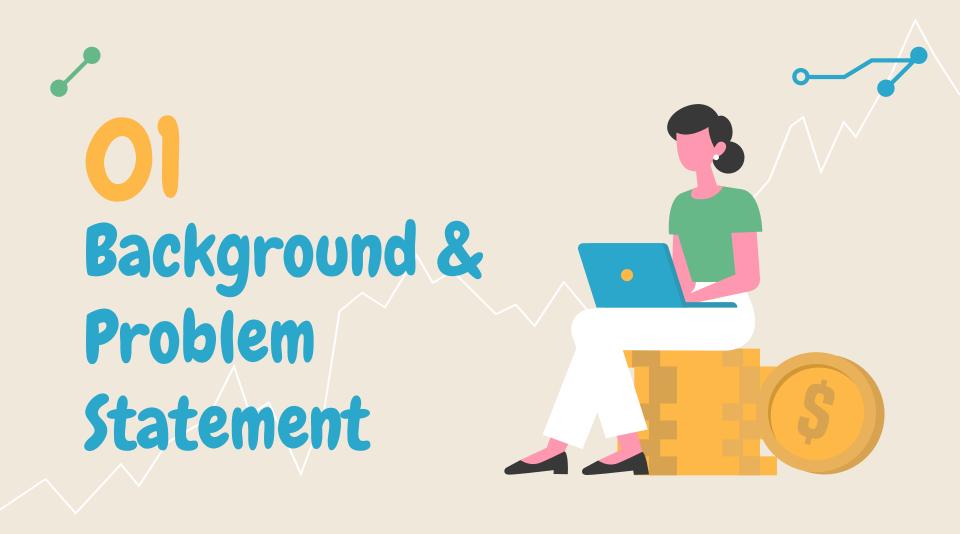
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# Chosen Subreddits

#### r/investing

https://www.reddit.com/r/investing/

#### r/CryptoCurrency

https://www.reddit.com/r/CryptoCurrency/



# Background

We are a new investment company which has two main trading desks:

- one for traditional securities and,
- another for cryptocurrency

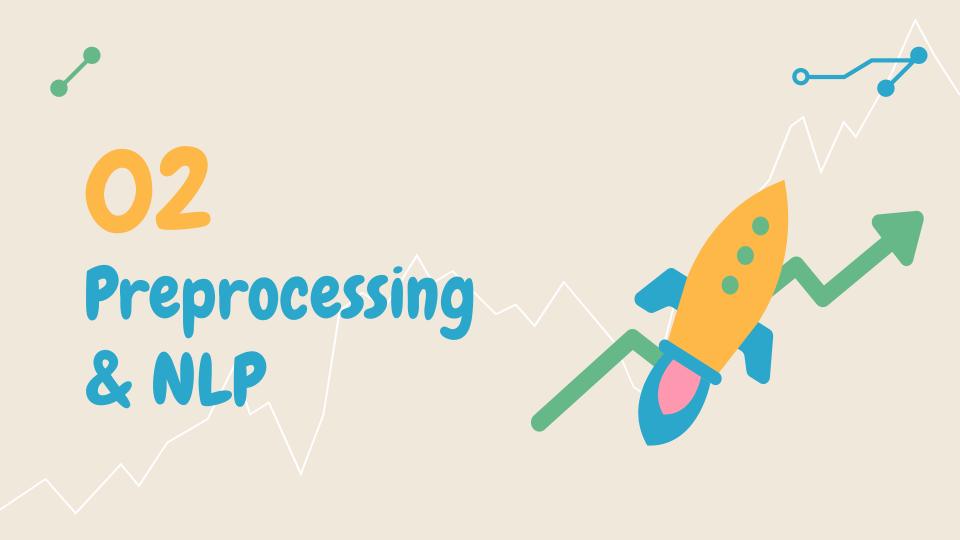








- Automate the monitoring of reddit posts
- Identify **new leads** & **hot trends**
- Filter such information to the specific trading desks



# Scraping, Preprocessing & NLP



**Additional Data Cleaning** 

Preprocessing





Tokenizing, Initial Dropping of Stopwords, & Lemmatizing

**NLP** 

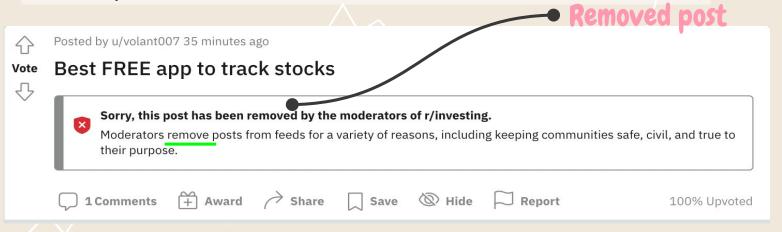




# Scraping



- Extracted 5k unique posts before 25 Oct 2021, GMT+8 2359
- Drop empty posts
- Drop duplicated posts
- Drop nulls



Example of a post that has been removed, hence resulting in an empty selftext & post.





# Preprocessing

#### **Additional Data Cleaning**

**URLs** 

Posted by u/indivinvest 5 hours ago

#### Should you invest in IPOs?

Hey guys, if you have ever considered investing in IPOs, or companies that have gone IPO in the recent years, then this post is for you. I did a bit of a quick research into this recently. But first, a quick recap of what Warren Buffet says about investing in IPOs:

- Warren Buffet has always been very vocal about his views on IPOs. His thought process is that "there are always better businesses to buy than IPOs". He always compares IPOs with other alternatives in the market, and so far, he has not found a strong justification for investing in an IPO versus another solid business at a good price.
- Buffet also dislikes the fact in IPOs, there are commissions that go to the stock salesmen, remember that IPOs are executed by investment banks so there is a push to sell IPOs like any other product, He likes to buy stocks where "no one is making any money on the sale".

I'd like to share with you some stats that I put together. Bear in mind the following:

- I took the <u>full list</u> of IPOs in the last 20 years from iposcoop.com.
- Filtered only companies that went public between years 2000 and 2015, so that at a minimum we have at least 5-6 years of post IPO performance.
- Calculated annualized performance using stock price from the first day close of IPO and current stock's price at the time this video was made.
- Performance from companies that are not currently trading were excluded.
- List here for your reference.



Example of a post that has a URL.



# Preprocessing

#### Additional Data Cleaning

- HTML Special Entities & Terms
  - E.g. Codes behind symbols '&amp', '>'
  - E.g. Non-Breaking Spaces like '#x200B;', '#xa0;'
- Digits
- Special Characters
- Remove characters beyond Basic Multilingual Plane (BMP) of Unicode
  - Example of characters beyond the BMP would be 'å', and emojis.







#### Tokenizing, Initial Dropping of Stopwords, & Lemmatizing

r/CryptoCurrency · Posted by 🗥 u/Dwez1337 Uranium 📀 8.4k · 4 hours ago

Reminder: Jim Cramer Called for Selling Ethereum a Week before it Rallyed to All Time High — Also did the Same for Bitcoin before it Doubled in Price

**MARKETS** 

A week ago Jim Cramer has predicted that Ethereum has reached its top, and might fall from its then price point.

In the following week Ethereum has rallied to a new all time high of over \$4,600, making Cramer predict exactly the opposite of what has happened

He has done the same for Bitcoin, called for selling it around the \$30,000 price point in the following weeks it rallied to over \$60,000

(source on cramer selling) (source2)

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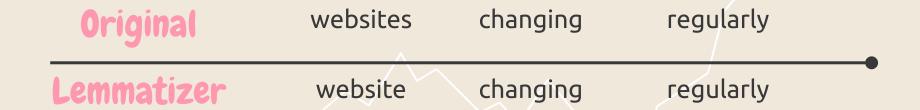


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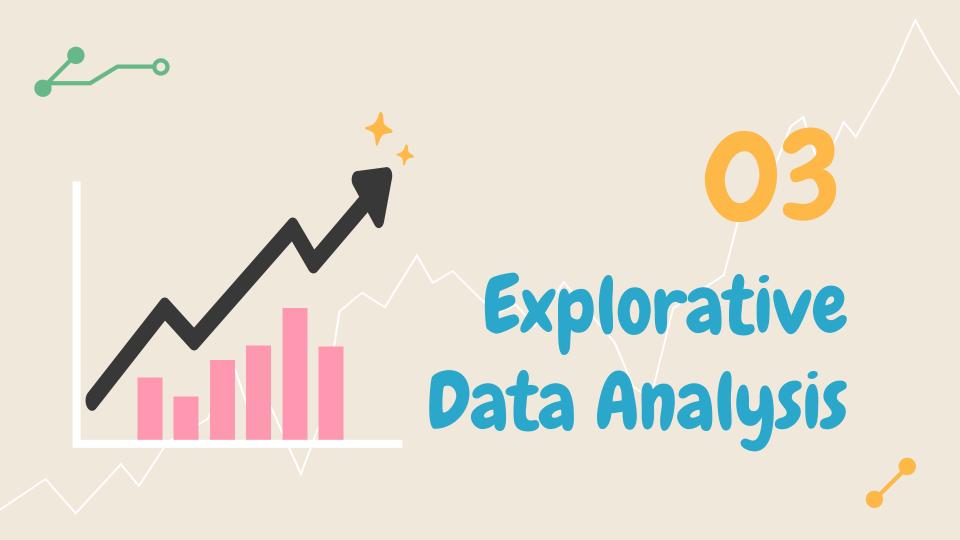
Words that do not add

Punctuations.

### Example of Lemmatizing









#### Text Corpus

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#### Can someone explain to me how margin actually is useful?

I'm struggling to justify the use of margin, particularly in naked puts. I learn best by doing, but before doing I need to learn, so I'm in a bit of a catch-22 with margin.

The problem I'm having is visualizing the risk-reward to using it. I can take on substantially more risk with cash than I can take on with margin. And I can substantially concentrate my trades more with cash than with margin. (That is to say, the more concentrated in higher volatility, the more my margin buying power just begins to look like cash-only).

So inevitably it looks like I can outperform with cash more than I can with margin.

Thus the question, how is margin actually useful?

For simplicity, if I want to 2x my buying power, but I have to reduce my return by 1/2x, then I have effectively accomplished nothing. Correct? So for margin to be useful I have to be able to both maintain a certain rate of return AND increase the buying power. Yes?

I have some other advanced questions about house surplus, equity and journaling times, but I think first I just need to see someone justify the use of margin in the first place.

Another problem with a margin call that I have is that it removes my ability to choose when I lose. Now the brokerage gets to choose when I lose, and they don't care if 2 weeks later the trade reverses and I would be a complete winner.

That alone is a very big hindrance when working a long-game high risk trade.

Maybe someone can comment a little on that as well.

Thanks





#### Word Count Distribution of Subreddit Posts 120 100 80 Post frequency subreddit cryptocurrency investing 40 20

300

Word count of post

400

500

100

200

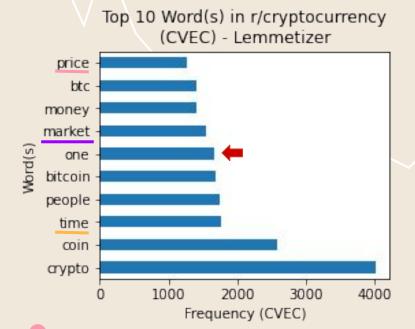
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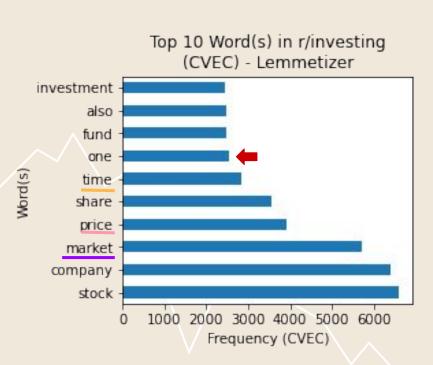
- Count Vectorization
- TF-IDF Vectorization

N-gram Frequency

#### Unigram (CVEC)

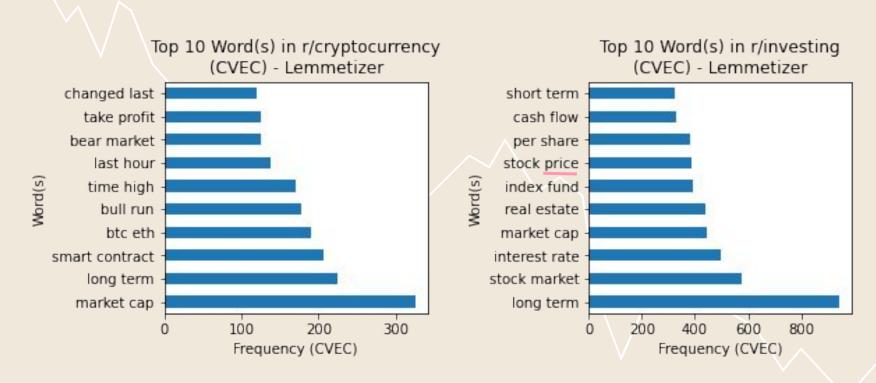






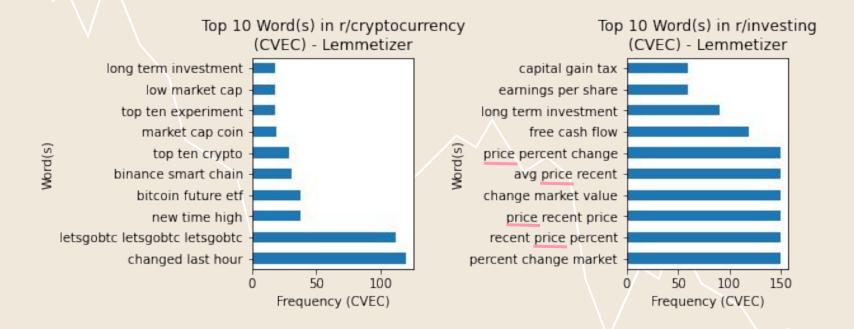


#### Bigram (CVEC)



#### Trigram (CVEC)





#### **Additional Stopwords**



#### Market

'bear market' 'market cap'

'low market cap'
'change market value'
'market cap coin'

#### Time

'time high'

'new time high'

#### Price

'stock price'

'avg recent price'
'price recent price'
'recent price percent'

#### Long term

'Short term'

'Long term investment'



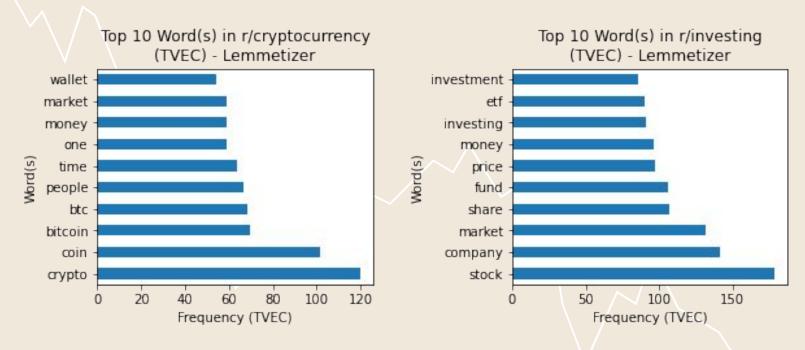
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#### Unigram (TVEC)



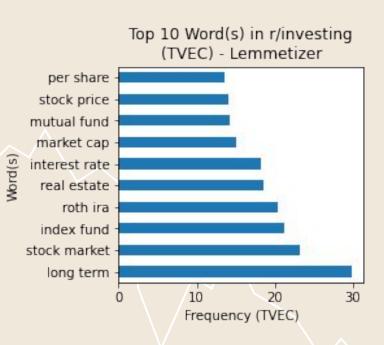






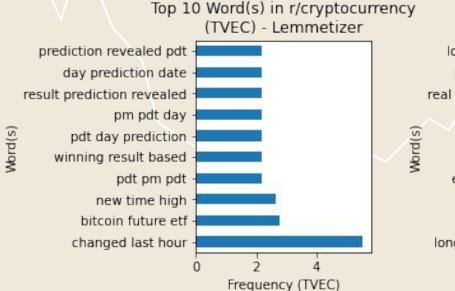
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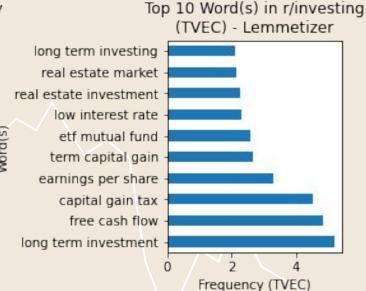




#### Trigram (TVEC)









#### r/cryptocurrency Word Cloud





#### r/investing Word Cloud





#### **Initial Insights**

#1

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Repetition of words

#2

B

Common words in both subreddits

#3

B

Presence of distinctive keywords





#### Choice of Vectorizers and Hyperparameters

**Count Vectorizer** 

**TF-IDF Vectorizer** 

#### Hyperparameters

Max features= 2000-5000 ngram range= (1,1), (1,2), (1,3)

#### Choice of model and Hyperparameters

**Multinomial Naive** Bayes (CVec)

**Multinomial Naive** Bayes (TD-IDF)

Hyperparameters

CV =5, 10, 15, 20

#### CVEC vs TF-IDF Naive Bayes



CVEC Naive Bayes Classifier

TF-IDF Naive Bayes
Classifier

**Train Accuracy** 

**Test Accuracy** 

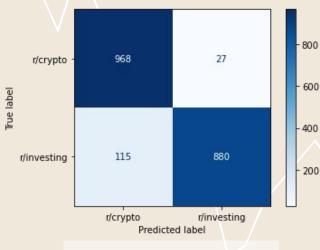
Sensitivity

Specificity

94.4%	95.2%	
93.0%	93.7 %	
88.4%	91.4%	B
97.3%	96.1%	
		<b>*</b>

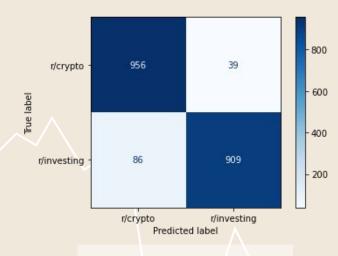


# Multinomial Naive Bayes (CVec)



FI Score: 92.5%

# Multinomial Naive Bayes (TF-IDF)



FI Score: 93.6%



# Logistic Regression



#### Choice of Vectorizers and Hyperparameters

**Count Vectorizer** 

**TF-IDF Vectorizer** 

#### Hyperparameters

Max features = 2000-5000
ngram range= (1,1), (1,2), (1,3)

#### Choice of model and Hyperparameters

Logistic Regression (CVec)

**Logistic Regression** (TD-IDF)

Hyperparameters

CV =5, 10, 15, 20

#### CVEC vs TD-IDF Logistic Regression



**CVEC** Logistic Regression

TF-IDF Logistic Regression

**Train Accuracy** 

Accuracy

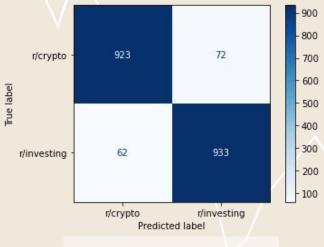
Sensitivity

Specificity

97.9%	96.1%	
93.3%	94.8%	
93.8%	94.4%	G
92.8%	95.2%	

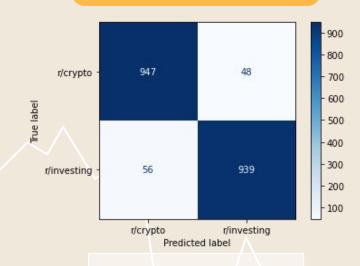


# Logistic Regression (CVec)



FI Score: 93.3%

# Logistic Regression (TF-IDF)



FI Score: 94.8%

#### Optimal Hyperparameters after GridSearchCV

#### **Optimized Hyperparameters**

**CV** =5

Max Features = 5000

N-Grams = (1.2)



#### **Overall Top Performing Model**

Logistic Regression (TD-IDF)

94.4%

94.8%

95.2%

95.1%

94.8%

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FI Score

Accuracy

Sensitivity

Specificity

Precision



#### Model Comparison Summary



TF	-IDF	
Vecto	orizer +	-

Naive Bayes Classifier Logistic Regression

### Accuracy (train/test gap)

Good ~94% (-2%)

Better ~96% (-1%)

#### Sensitivity

(Hit rate for correctly classifying r/investing)

Good ~91%

Better ~95%

#### Specificity

(Hit rate for correctly classifying r/cryptocurrency)

Better ~96%

Good ~95%





#### Final Model Selection



TF-IDF Vectorizer +

Accuracy (train/test gap)

#### Sensitivity

(Hit rate for correctly classifying r/investing)

#### Specificity

(Hit rate for correctly classifying r/cryptocurrency)

#### Naive Bayes Classifier

Good ~94% (-2%)

Good ~91%

Better ~96%

# Logistic Regression

Better ~96% (-1%)

Better ~95%

Good ~95%









# Investing market movers?

tesla covid china

# Crypto is hardly cryptic

Niche subject with distinctive vocabulary and pet phrases



#### Top 'coin' mentions

btc eth shib

In case you were wondering...

btc: bitcoin bth: ethereum shib: shiba inu ada: cardano





96%

#### **Model Metrics**

Getting it right 96% of the time

Respectable!

#### Conclusion

5%

#### **Misclassification**

Turns out,
Machine was correct\*

Human was wrong... i.e. 'misposted' into the wrong subreddit!

>96%

#### Captures topics

Filtering posts
enables trading
desks to deep dive
into <u>#nascent</u> topics
before they become
<u>#trending</u>



#### Future Improvements / Opportunities

#### [[0] Explore other Classifier models

Models that are self-learning like Random Forest, Support Vector Machine (SVM), XGBoost, could improve the prediction



#### Extend beyond Reddit platform

Consider expanding to social media posts to capture broader web chatter





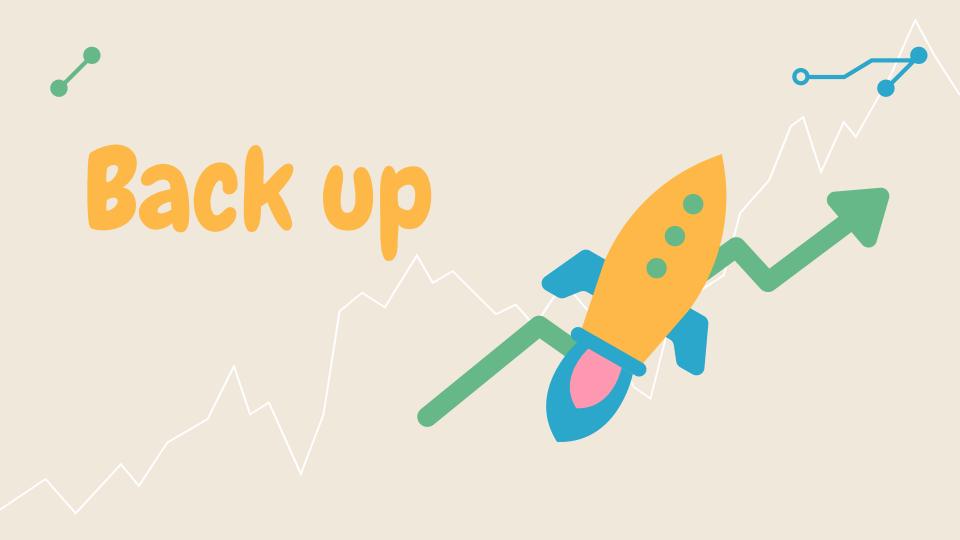


# THANKS!

Do you have any questions?

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#### Predictor insights



#### r/investing

r/investing Featured Words	Log(Odds)	Odds	Probability
stock	7.52	1839.26	99.95%
company	5.35	210.59	99.53%
share	3.95	51.84	98.11%
investing	3.57	35.46	97.26%
option	2.39	10.96	91.64%
investment	2.29	9.87	90.80%
fund	2.25	9.46	90.44%
investor	2.08	8.04	88.94%
market	2.06	7.84	88.69%
roth	2.01	7.43	88.13%

#### r/CryptoCurrency

r/CryptoCurrency Featured Words	Log(Odds)	Odds	Probability
crypto	9.11	9039.02	99.99%
coin	5.94	378.48	99.74%
btc	4.77	117.95	99.16%
bitcoin	4.27	71.52	98.62%
wallet	3.69	40.18	97.57%
moon	3.35	28.39	96.60%
eth	3.17	23.82	95.97%
binance	3.05	21.07	95.47%
project	2.96	19.23	95.06%
cryptocurrency	2.77	15.92	94.09%



#### Sneak Preview: XGBoost Pre-tuning





Train Accuracy
Test Accuracy
Sensitivity
Specificity

# 99.5% 93.4% 95.0% 90.8%