Webscraping Reddit Sentiment Analysis

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sentiment analysis

opinion mining

- a part of nlp that is a systematic way to process subjective information
- used for movie reviews, political views, marketing, etc

goals

webscrape subreddits

 using PRAWS to collect post data from subreddit of choice

perform SA on our data

 specifically it will be on the posts, including their text body, process it in a way that can be used by VADER

process

reddit

- choose the subreddit, use praws to collect specifically what info you want from that page into a dictionary
- export to a pandas dataframe

sentiment

- for each entry in the dataframe from praws, use vader to collect the sentiment and add that back into the dataframe
- use a nltk to help format sentences to remove common stop words to make a word frequency chart

libraries used

reddit

- PRAWS
- pandas/matplotlib

sentiment analysis

- VADER
- nltk
- pandas/matplotlib

links

- https://towardsdatascience.com/scraping-reddit-with-praw-76
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- https://praw.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html
- https://github.com/cjhutto/vaderSentiment
- http://www.nltk.org/api/nltk.html?highlight=freqdist