





# Uncover review's hidden sentiment

Understand thousands reviews at a glance  
Know what reviews are about  
More informative than simple star ratings



# Impact

Quickly find  
the preferred products  
Fewer unexpected surprises

**More  
satisfied  
consumers**

**Reduce  
wastage**

Reduction in returns  
More effective sales  
Fewer out-dated stocks

Understand competitor's  
advantage  
Identify strength & weaknesses  
in demand & supply

**Better  
informed  
providers**

**Higher  
profitability**

Higher conversion rate  
Larger basket size



# Dataset

## Single sentence review

- Aspect term
- From & to char index
- Polarity

### TEXT COLUMN:

I charge it at night and skip taking the cord with me because of the good battery life.

### ASPECTS COLUMN:

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[{'term': 'cord', 'polarity': 'neutral', 'from': '41', 'to': '45'},
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{'term': 'battery life', 'polarity': 'positive', 'from': '74', 'to':  
'86'}]
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# Preprocessing

## Unified-BIO tagging

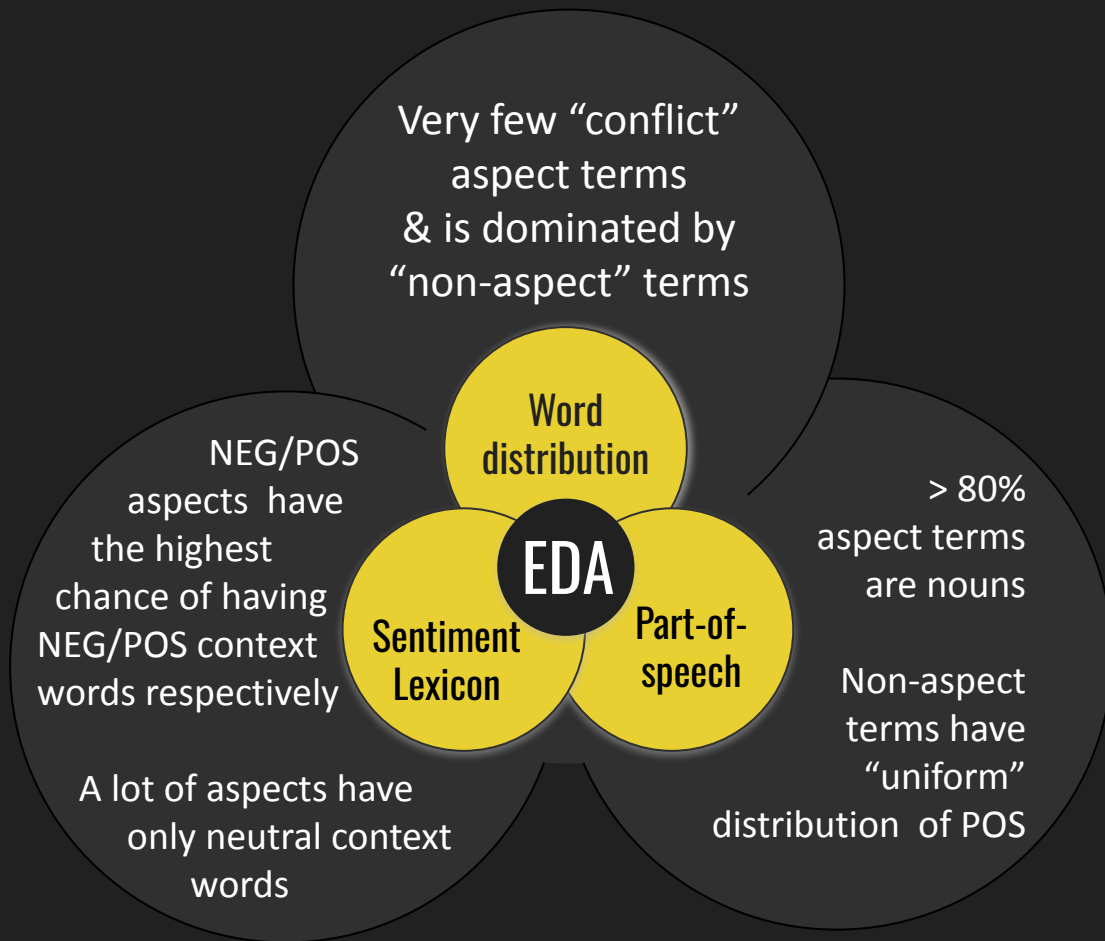
Define target label using unified-BIO technique: aspect word boundaries and sentiment.

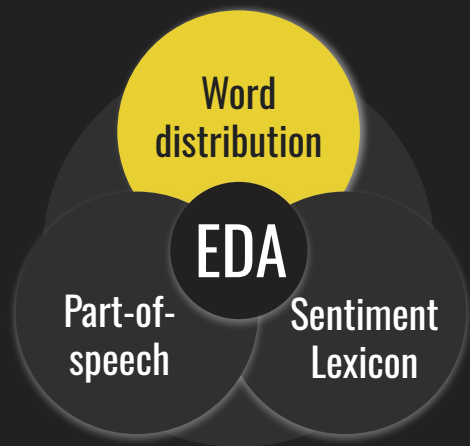
E.g. “Laptop <B-POS> screen <I-POS> is <O> amazing <O> . <O>”

## Build word features

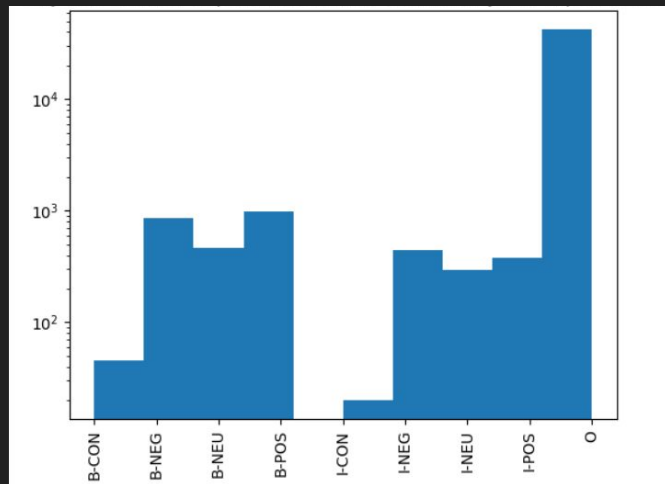
Incorporate information about word's and its context words' properties:

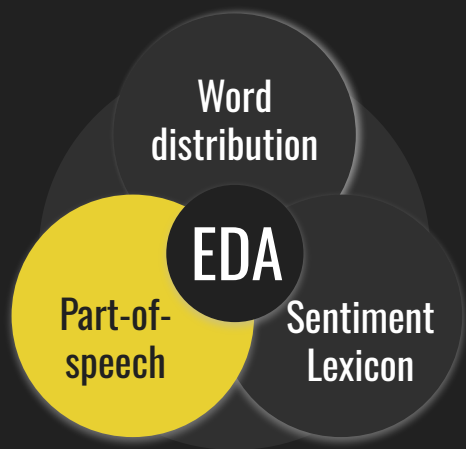
- Word index & reverse index in the sentence
- Part-of-speech
- Sentiment lexicon, ...





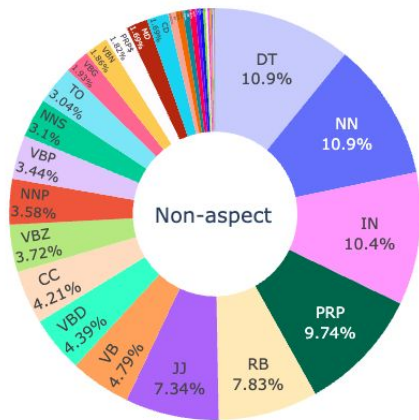
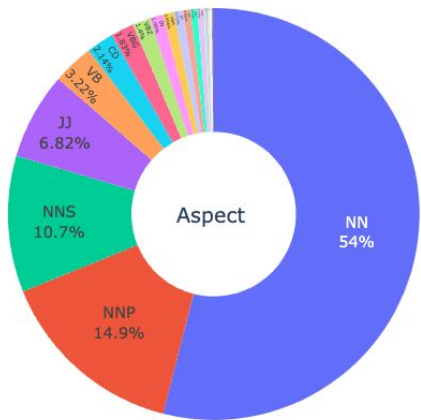
Very few “conflict” aspect terms  
& is dominated by “non-aspect” terms





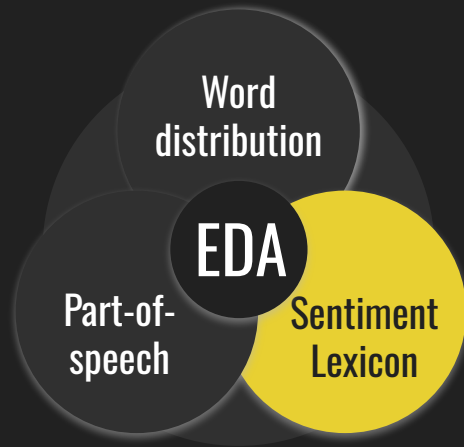
> 80% aspect terms are nouns

Non-aspect terms have “uniform” distribution of POS

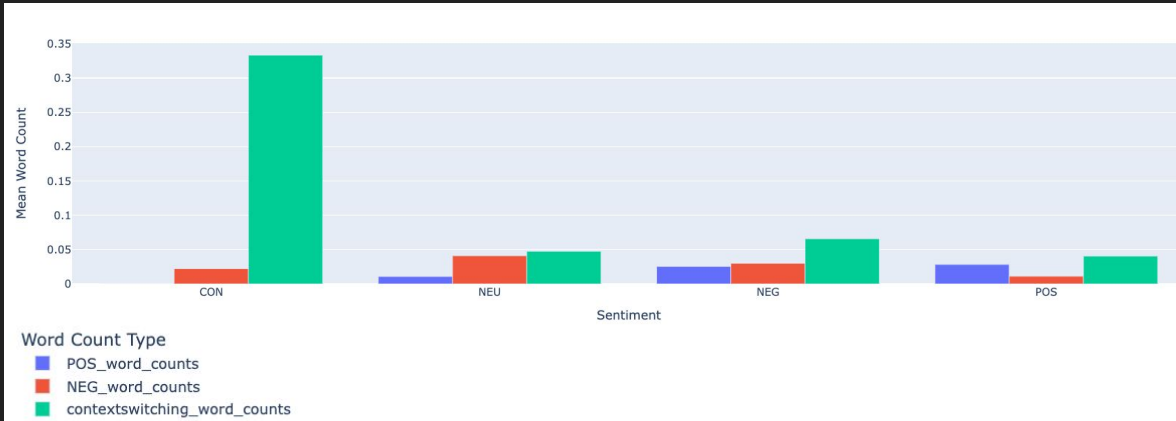


\* POS starts with N are nouns





- A lot of aspect terms do not have pos/neg context words
- >35% “conflict” terms have context switching context words
- Whichever term polarity, they may contains both “positive” & “negative” context words, just the ratio between different sentiment lexicons are slightly different.





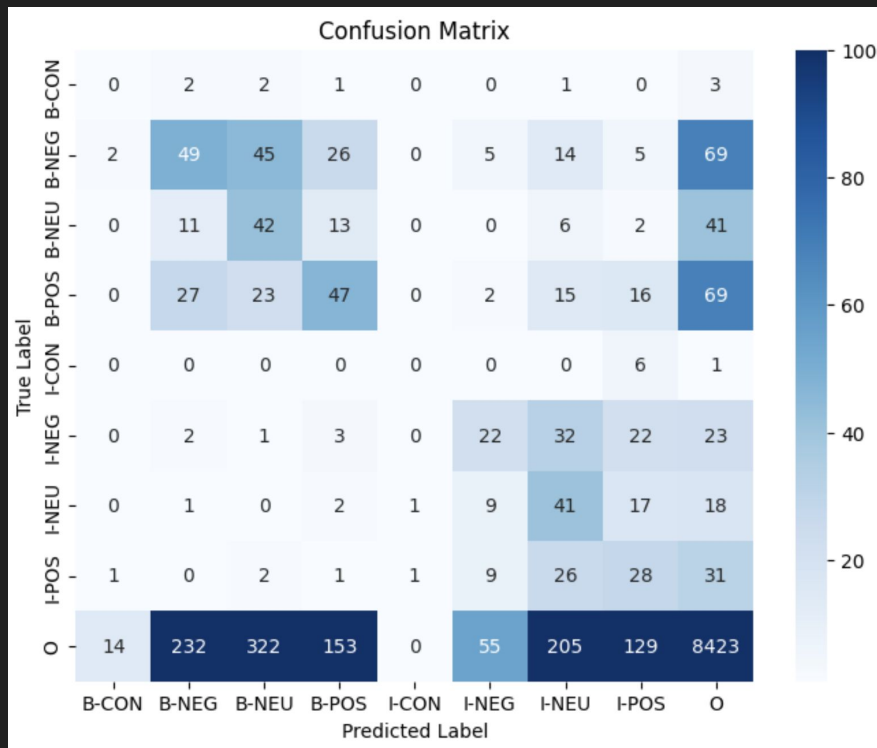
# Random forest



Macro avg f1-score: 0.22

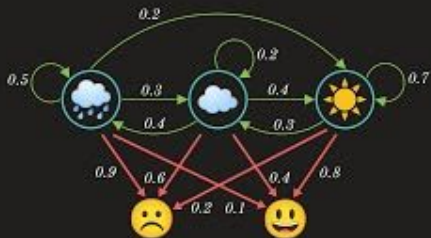
A lot of words were misclassified as “O” (non-aspect term)

There seems to be mix-ups in polarity, while not much in “B” & “I”





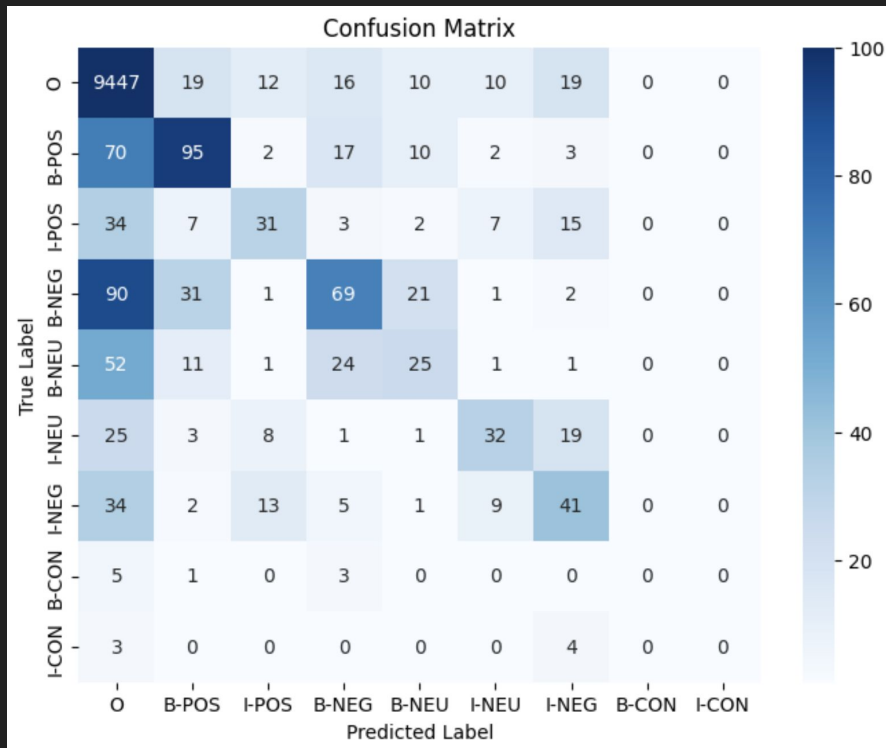
# Conditional Random Field



Macro avg f1-score: 0.37

A lot of words were misclassified as “O” (non-aspect term)

The model could not predict any “conflict” aspects, and is less likely to predict aspect as non-aspect.



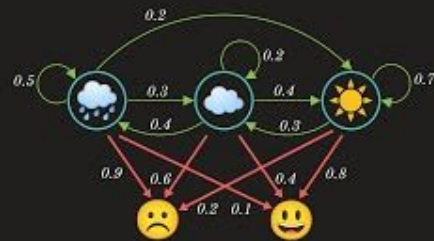


# Baseline model

Macro average f1-score



Random forest:  
0.22



Conditional Random Field:  
0.37



### **Feature improvement:**

Add more features: head words, Google Word2Vec word embeddings

### **Unsupervised training**

Re-train model using rule-based aspect term extraction on larger dataset

### **Productionize:**

An app to allow users to look for specific product reviews & filter review by aspects + summarize aspect sentiments

# Next step