
Twitter Sentiment Analysis of the Brexit result

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The data was scraped from the twitter web-page itself as there were restrictions on the data available through the API (only tweets in the past 7 days are accessible)

The total dataset would be very large several GB but for now we have provided only a sample.

The sample output data is in csv format and is only a sample. The complete data has yet to be scrapped.

This sample consists of all tweets with *#Brexit* posted on Twitter between 16:09 to 17:34 on 2016-06-24 . This is just after the results of the Brexit vote.(which came out on June 23rd)

Data Attributes:

The tweets were scraped and then using regular expressions unnecessary information in the tweets was removed . *TextBlob* library was use to do search for key words(using *noun_phrases* method of *TextBlob* library) and analyze the polarity of the tweets . The attributes that were saved :

- ‘noun_phrases’ : All the nouns present in the text
- ‘geo’ : The location of the tweet
- ‘polarity’ : The measure of the sentiment of the tweet. It ranges from -1 to 1 where 1 is positive sentiment and -1 is negative sentiment
- ‘subjectivity’ : Measure of the subjectivity of the tweet, ranges form 0 to 1, where 0.0 is very objective and 1.0 is very subjective.
- ‘time’ : The datetime object of the time when the tweet was posted
- ‘hashtags’ : The other hashtags associated with the tweet. These will be used to do further analysis and determining the content of the tweet