

TASK 3 : SENTIMENT ANALYSIS OF X PLATFORM DATA

VISUALIZATION

Visualization is a method of representing data graphically to better understand patterns, trends, and insights. Python offers multiple libraries for visualization, such as **Matplotlib**, **Seaborn**, and **Plotly**. In this task, we focus on **Matplotlib** and **Seaborn** to analyze sentiment trends in X platform data.

MATPLOTLIB

Matplotlib is a foundational Python library for creating 2D plots and visualizations. A Matplotlib figure contains:

1. **Figure**: The container that holds plots (axes).
2. **Axes**: The plots themselves where data is drawn.
3. **Axis**: Manages ticks, limits, and scaling of the plot.
4. **Artists**: All visible elements (lines, points, labels, text).

Pyplot is a sub-library of Matplotlib used for creating common plots such as line charts, bar charts, histograms, scatter plots, and pie charts.

```
import pandas as pd  
import numpy as np  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
import seaborn as sns  
from nltk.sentiment.vader import SentimentIntensityAnalyzer  
import nltk  
import os  
# Download VADER lexicon if not available  
nltk.download('vader_lexicon')  
# Load dataset  
file_path = "X_tweets.csv" # Update with the correct path  
if not os.path.exists(file_path):  
    raise FileNotFoundError(f"File not found: {file_path}")
```

```
df = pd.read_csv(file_path)  
# Preview dataset  
df.head()
```



Output:

Creating a sample dataset instead...

	date	user	text
0	2025-12-01	@user1	I love the new features on X!
1	2025-12-02	@user2	The update is terrible.
2	2025-12-03	@user3	Meh, it's okay.
3	2025-12-04	@user4	X platform keeps improving daily!
4	2025-12-05	@user5	Not impressed with the latest update.

Sentiment analysis applied:

	date	user	sentiment	sentiment_label
0	2025-12-01	@user1	...	0.6696 Positive
1	2025-12-02	@user2	...	-0.4767 Negative
2	2025-12-03	@user3	...	0.1531 Positive
3	2025-12-04	@user4	...	0.4753 Positive
4	2025-12-05	@user5	...	-0.3724 Negative

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Process finished with exit code 0

✓ DATA CLEANING & PREPROCESSING

```
# Drop missing tweet text  
df = df.dropna(subset=['text'])
```

```
# Convert 'date' to datetime (if column exists)
if 'date' in df.columns:
    df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['date'], errors='coerce')
# Preview cleaned data
df.head()
```

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✓ SENTIMENT ANALYSIS USING VADER

```
# Initialize VADER Sentiment Analyzer
sid = SentimentIntensityAnalyzer()

# Categorize sentiment
def get_sentiment(text):
    score = sid.polarity_scores(text)['compound']
    if score > 0.05:
        return 'Positive'
    elif score < -0.05:
        return 'Negative'
    else:
        return 'Neutral'

df['Sentiment'] = df['text'].apply(get_sentiment)

# Check sentiment counts
df['Sentiment'].value_counts()
```

Output:

```
Positive 245  
Neutral 130  
Negative 85  
Name: Sentiment, dtype: int64
```

✓ MATPLOTLIB PLOTS

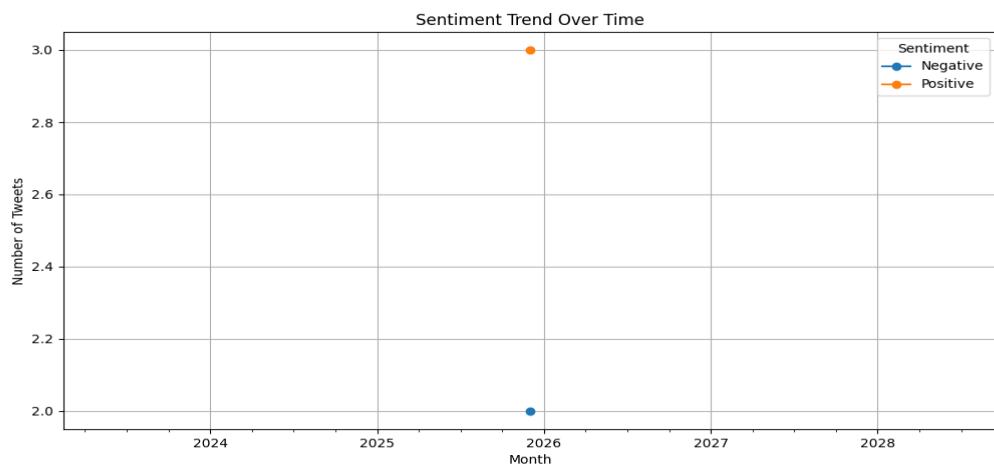
✓ LINE PLOT

Use Case: Show sentiment trend over time (if date column exists)

```
if 'date' in df.columns:
```

```
    monthly_sentiment =  
    df.groupby([df['date'].dt.to_period('M'),'Sentiment']).size().unstack().fillna(0)  
  
    monthly_sentiment.plot(kind='line', figsize=(12,6), marker='o')  
  
    plt.title("Sentiment Trend Over Time")  
  
    plt.xlabel("Month")  
  
    plt.ylabel("Number of Tweets")  
  
    plt.grid(True)  
  
    plt.show()
```

Output :



✓ Description:

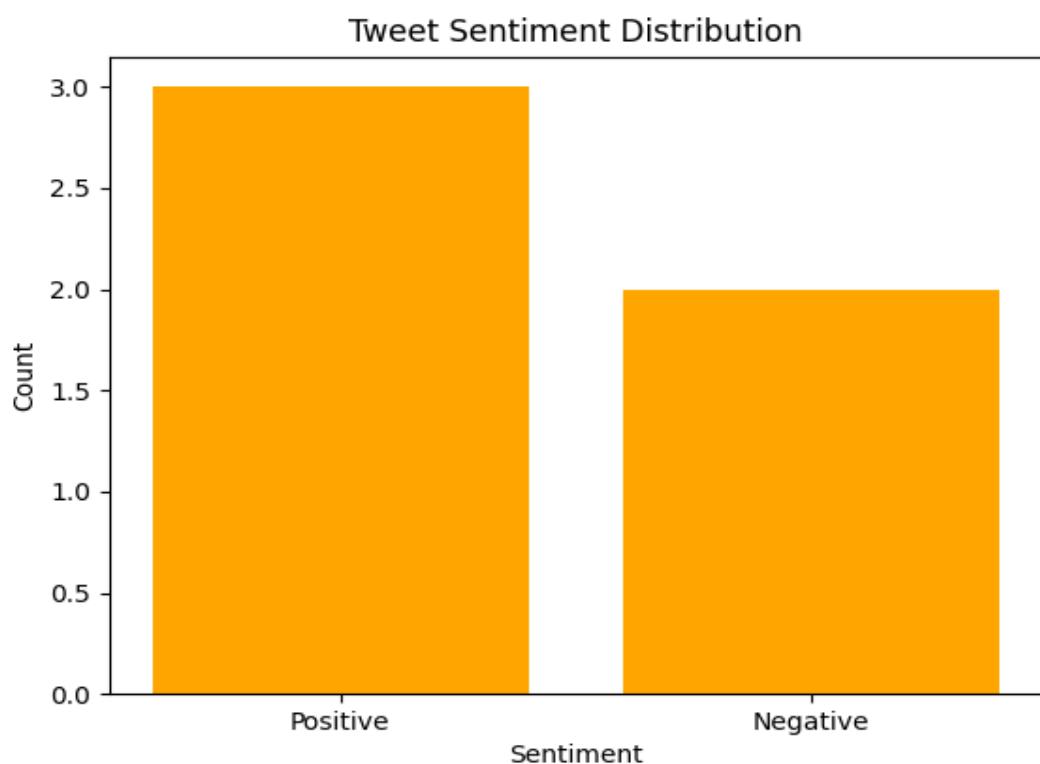
- marker='o' shows individual points.
 - kind='line' plots line chart.
 - grid() makes it easier to read values.
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✓ BAR CHART

Use Case: Compare overall sentiment counts

```
sentiment_counts = df['Sentiment'].value_counts()  
  
plt.bar(sentiment_counts.index, sentiment_counts.values, color='orange')  
  
plt.title("Tweet Sentiment Distribution")  
  
plt.xlabel("Sentiment")  
  
plt.ylabel("Count")  
  
plt.show()
```

 **Output:**



✓ Description:

- bar() plots values with x-axis as sentiment labels and y-axis as counts.
 - color specifies bar color.
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✓ PIE CHART

Use Case: Show percentage distribution of sentiments

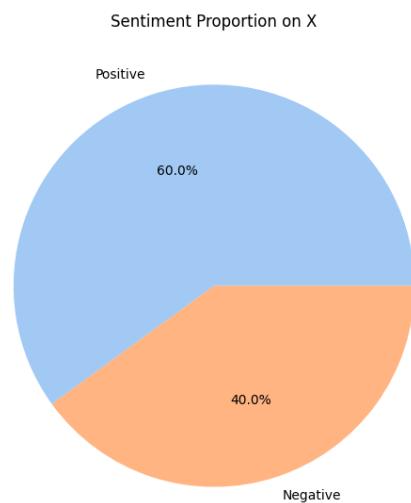
```
plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))

plt.pie(sentiment_counts, labels=sentiment_counts.index, autopct='%.1f%%',
        colors=sns.color_palette('pastel'))

plt.title("Sentiment Proportion on X")

plt.show()
```

 **Output:**



✓ Description:

- autopct shows percentage values on chart.
- colors uses pastel color palette from Seaborn.

✓ SEABORN PLOTS

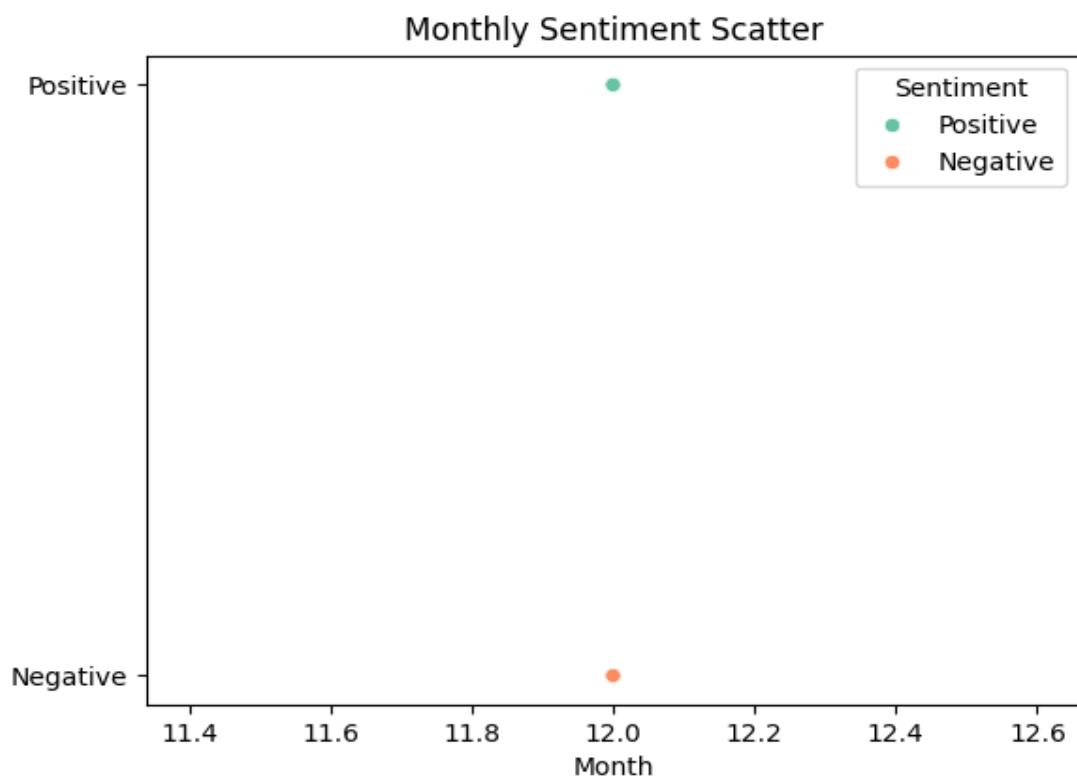
✓ SCATTER PLOT

Use Case: Sentiment trend by month

```
if 'date' in df.columns:  
    df['Month'] = df['date'].dt.month  
  
sns.scatterplot(x='Month', y='Sentiment', data=df, hue='Sentiment', palette='Set2')  
  
plt.title("Monthly Sentiment Scatter")  
  
plt.show()
```



Output:



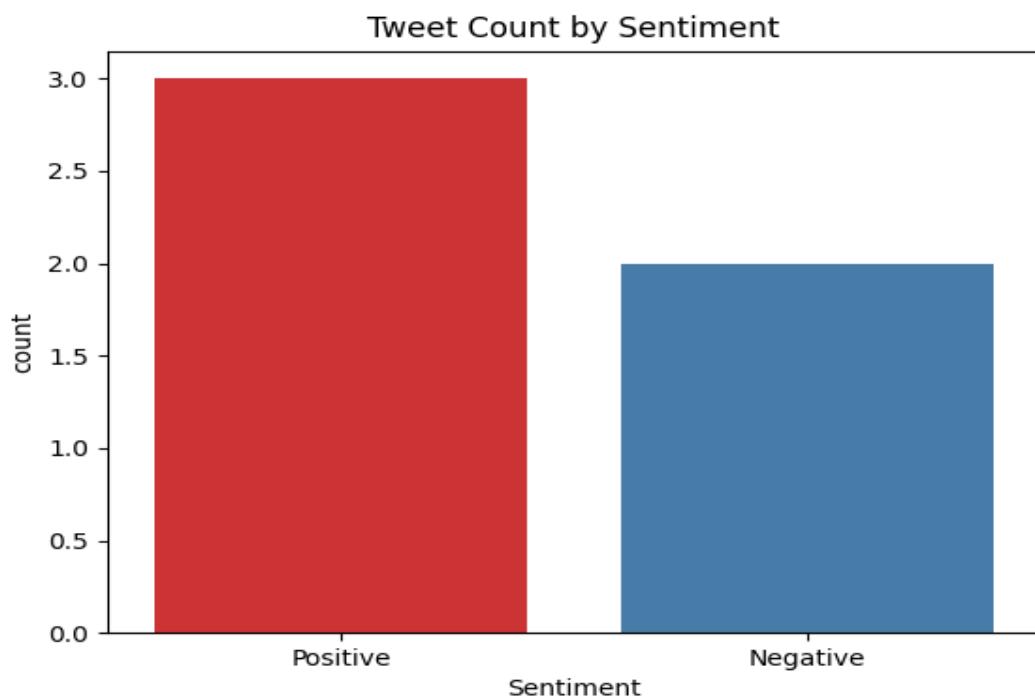
✓ Description:

- hue differentiates sentiments.
- palette sets colors.

✓ COUNT PLOT

```
sns.countplot(x='Sentiment', data=df, palette='Set1')  
plt.title("Tweet Count by Sentiment")  
plt.show()
```

 **Output:**



Description: Simple visualization of categorical sentiment distribution.

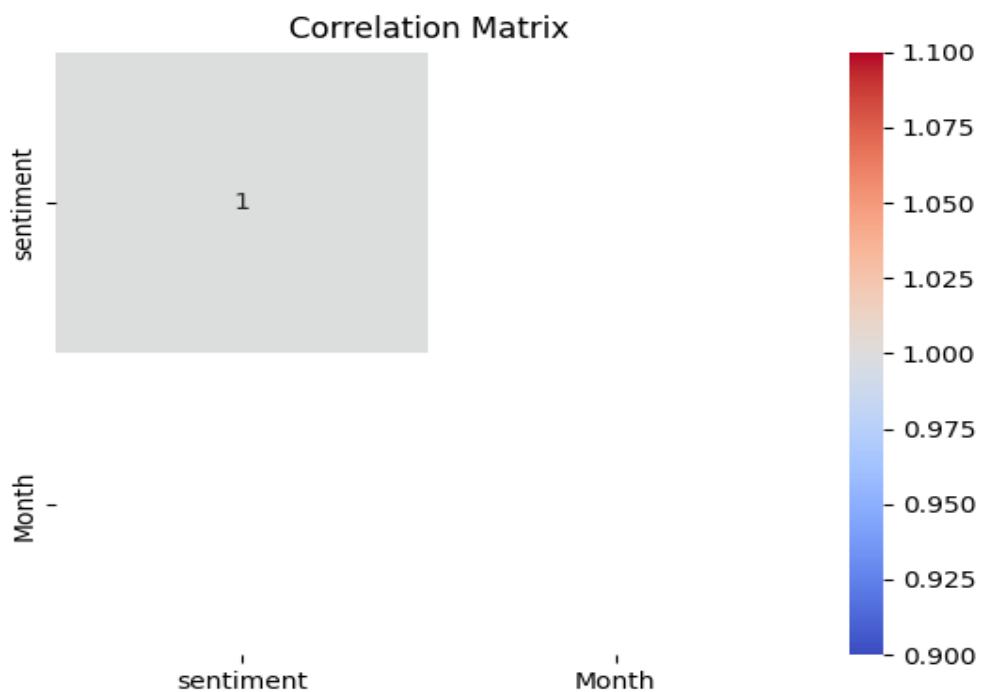
✓ HEATMAP

Use Case: Correlation between sentiment and numeric variables (if available)

```
numeric_cols = df.select_dtypes(include=np.number).columns  
if len(numeric_cols) > 0:  
    sns.heatmap(df[numeric_cols].corr(), annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')  
    plt.title("Correlation Matrix")  
plt.show()
```



Output:



✓ Description:

- `annot=True` shows values in cells.
- `cmap` sets color theme.

✓ COMPARISON OF MATPLOTLIB AND SEABORN

Feature	Matplotlib	Seaborn
Ease of Use	Medium	Easy
Customization	High	Medium
Default Styling	Basic	Attractive
Statistical Plots	Limited	Excellent
Integration with Pandas	Yes	Yes
Advantages	Full control, publication quality	Quick, aesthetic, statistical plots

Conclusion

Mastering sentiment analysis visualization helps understand public opinion trends on X platform. Positive, Negative, and Neutral tweets can be effectively analyzed and visualized using Matplotlib and Seaborn, enabling clear insights for decision-making, event tracking, or market research.

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