News As A Predictor

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Project Description

Impact of Fake or Negative News on Elections

Use tones in media to predict domestic and international conflicts

Predict the happiness of a population spread to surrounding communities

Prior Work

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Dataset

Global Database of Events, Language, and Tone

"an initiative to construct a catalog of human societal-scale behavior and beliefs across all countries of the world, connecting every person, organization, location, count, theme, news source, and event across the planet into a single massive network that captures what's happening around the world, what its context is and who's involved, and how the world is feeling about it, every single day."

http://data.gdeltproject.org/gkg/index.html

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Proposed Work

Data Cleaning

Attribute Subset Selection

Histogram

Clustering

Tools





Scalability and Flexibility





Evaluation of Results

Classify the top 10 happy factors over the time

Predict protest rate and virtualize the average society stability, quantity of positive news, and the happy factors over the time