



# Uncovering the Relationship Between Elon Musk's Tweets & Bitcoin Stock Prices

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# Introduction



## Background

- Twitter's sentiment ratio is positively correlated with Bitcoin prices, with significant impact from Elon Musk
- Musk Effect - Elon Musk changed Twitter bio to #bitcoin
  - Bitcoin value soared from \$32,000 to over \$38,000 in a few hours
  - Market boosted capitalization by \$111 billion



## Research Questions

- To what degree does the sentiment conveyed in Elon Musk's tweets impact the closing prices of Bitcoin?
  - What is the relationship between Elon Musk's tweets and the closing prices of Bitcoin, if any?
- Will the inclusion of Elon Musk's tweet sentiments in models predicting Bitcoin prices substantially enhance the model's performance?

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# Data Collection & Cleaning



## Data Collection

**Dataset:** “Elon Musk Tweets (2010-2011)”

**Source:** Kaggle

**Variables:** conversation\_id, created\_at, date, time, timezone, user\_id, username, name, tweet + 36 others

**Date Range:** January 1, 2010 to March 5, 2022

**Size:** 34,881 rows

**Dataset:** “Daily Bitcoin Stock Price”

**Source:** Kaggle

**Variables:** date, open, high, low, close, Adjusted Close, and Volume

**Date Range:** September 17th, 2014 to February 19, 2022

**Size:** 2,713 rows

**Dataset:** “Python `yfinance` package”

**Source:** Yahoo Finance

**Variables:** Nasdaq Composite Index, S&P 500 Index, Dow Jones Index Average, Crude Oil Price, and Gold Price

**Date Range:** January 2, 2021 to January 31, 2022

**Size:** 252 rows

**Dataset:** “Tweet Sentiment Extraction”

**Source:** Kaggle

**Variables:** TextID, Text and Sentiment

**Date Range:** N/A

**Size:** 27,481



# Data Cleaning

“Elon Musk Tweets (2010-2022)”



**Dataset:** “Tweets Grouped”

**Variables:** date, concatenated tweets txt

**Date Range:** February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022

**Size:** 352 rows

*Each row in this dataset is representative of all tweets made by Musk in a single day.*

“Daily Bitcoin (Stock) Price”

“Python Yahoo Finance Package”



**Dataset:** “Stock Combined”

**Variables:** date, Btc\_open, Btc\_close, Btc\_volume, Nasdaq\_close, Dji\_close, Sp\_close, Oil\_close, Gold\_close

**Date Range:** February 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022

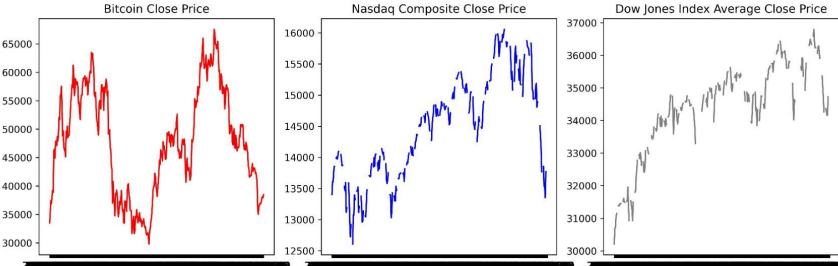
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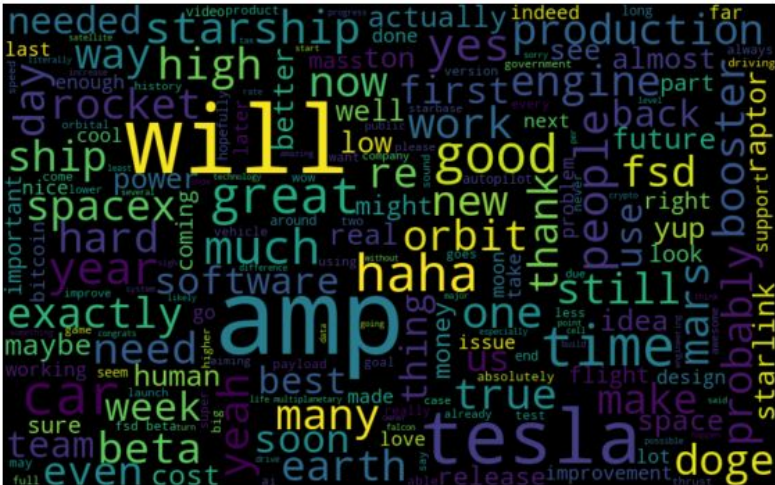
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# Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Date Range: 2021.02.01 - 2022.01.31



- Stock indices are related to BTC closing price
- Musk's tweets include BTC, doge (seems roughly on par with "mars")



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# Sentiment Analysis

# Sentiment Analysis | Overview

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## Binary Sentiment Classification (Positive/Negative)

- Utilize the “Text Sentiment Extraction” dataset to train Naive Bayes, Random Forest and Decision Tree.
- Apply the most optimal model to “Tweets Grouped” data to classify Musk’s tweets.

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## Compound Sentiment Score

- Apply the VADER package “Tweets Grouped” data to classify Musk’s texts.

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## Exploratory Data Analysis

- Conduct further analysis to see the relationship between sentiment scores/classification scores and Bitcoin’s closing price.

# Sentiment Analysis | Naive Bayes - Methodology

1. **Features & Labels:** Label “text” column as X. “Label “sentiment” as y.
2. **Train | Test Split:** Split the data into training (80%) and test (20%) sets.
3. **Vectorization:** Vectorize X\_train using Tfidf vectorizer.
4. **Model Training:** Apply model to X\_train and y\_train.
5. **Predictions:** Use model on X\_test to predict for y\_test.
6. **Final Results:** Print accuracy score, classification report and confusion matrix. Determine optimal classifier for sentiment.
7. **Apply Model:** Apply the most optimal model to “Tweets Grouped” dataset to classify Elon Musk’s tweets.
8. **Data Matching:** Match the “date” column in “Tweets Grouped” dataset to “Stock Combined” dataset’s “date” column and concatenate the classification returned by the model.

## New “Stock Combined” Dataset

Btc_open	Btc_close	Btc_volume	Nasdaq_close	Dji_close	Sp_close	Oil_close	Gold_close	<i>nb_classification</i>
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# Sentiment Analysis | Binary Classification - Results

MNB, BNB, Random Forest and Decision Tree Classifier all achieve over 80% accuracy and F1 scores, but they are not the optimal model.

## Naive Bayes | MultinomialNB

- Accuracy Score: 0.86
- Confusion Matrix:  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1348 & 184 \\ 258 & 1483 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Classification Report
  - F1-Score for "Negative": 0.86
  - F1-Score for Positive: 0.87

## Random Forest Classifier

- Accuracy Score: 0.86
- Confusion Matrix:  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1343 & 189 \\ 268 & 1473 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Classification Report
  - F1-Score for "Negative": 0.85
  - F1-Score for "Positive": 0.87

## Decision Tree Classifier

- Accuracy Score: 0.81
- Confusion Matrix:  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1216 & 316 \\ 317 & 1424 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Classification Report
  - F1-Score for "Negative": 0.79
  - F1-Score for "Positive": 0.82

## Naive Bayes | BernoulliNB

- Accuracy Score: 0.87
- Confusion Matrix:  

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1402 & 130 \\ 307 & 1434 \end{bmatrix}$$
- Classification Report
  - F1-Score for "Negative": 0.87
  - F1-Score for Positive: 0.87

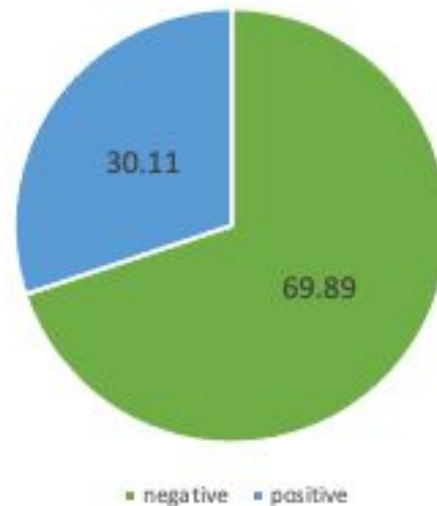
# Sentiment Analysis | Part A - Best Model & Results

## Naive Bayes | ComplementNB

- Accuracy Score: 0.87
- Confusion Matrix:  

1385	147
288	1453
- Classification Report
  - F1-Score for "Negative": 0.87
  - F1-Score for Positive: 0.87

CNB Classifier on Musk Tweets



Complement NB has the highest accuracy score and F1 score, so we will use Complement NB sentiment classification results for Bitcoin price modeling.

# Sentiment Analysis | VADER - Methodology



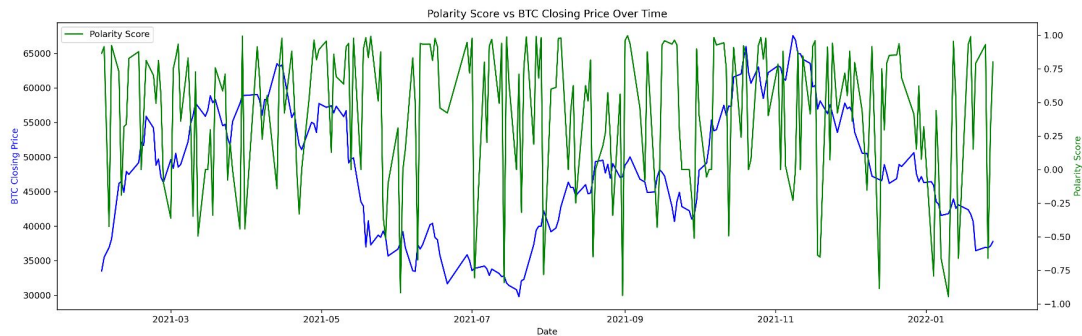
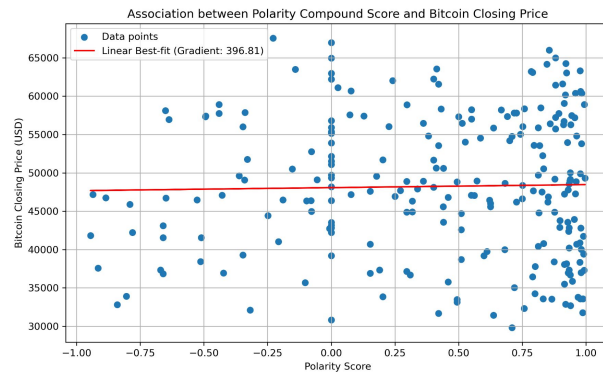
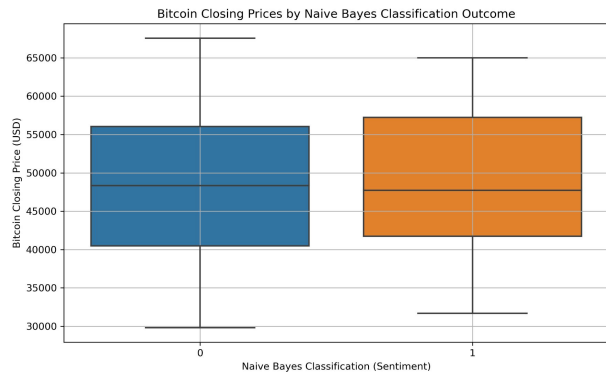
1. **Apply VADER Package:** Apply vader package to each tweet in “Tweets Grouped” dataset to generate polarity scores.
2. **Data Matching:** Match the “date” column in “Tweets Grouped” dataset to “Stock Combined” dataset’s “date” column and concatenate the compound\_score.

## New “Stock Combined” Dataset

Btc_open	Btc_close	Btc_volume	Nasdaq_close	Dji_close	Sp_close	Oil_close	Gold_close	nb_classification	<i>compound_score</i>
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# Sentiment Analysis | Correlation with Bitcoin Price



The graph above shows that there's weak correlation between Elon Musk's tweet sentiment and Bitcoins closing price.

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# Predictive Modeling

# Predictive Modeling | Overview

Aim to exam to what extent Elon Musk's tweets sentiment can help predict Bitcoin's closing prices.

"Stock Combined"



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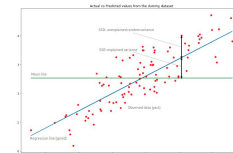


3 Variations for Further Comparisons			
	Baseline	With Vader	With NB
<b>Predictors (X)</b>	Macro Signals, only	Macro Signals + VADER <b>Continuous</b>	Macro Signals + Naive Bayes Classifier <b>Binary</b>
<b>Outcome (Y)</b>	Bitcoin Close Price (USD)	Bitcoin Close Price (USD)	Bitcoin Close Price (USD)



## Predictive Modeling

1. Linear Modeling



2. Random Forest



3. XGBoost

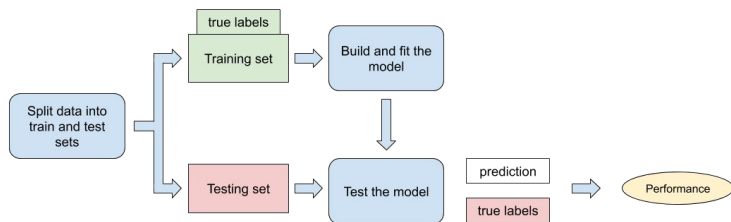


**Model Comparison**, to determine: 1. Whether adding the sentiment score as a regressor help improve prediction power  
2. Based on the 2 methodology of sentiment analysis, which score output shows greater influence? Continuous or Binary?

# Predictive Modeling | Methodology

**Features and Labels:** Label “btc\_volume”, “Nasdaq\_close”, “Dji\_close”, “Sp\_close”, “Oil\_close”, “Gold\_close” and “compound\_score”/ “nb\_classification” (tentative) as X. Label “Btc\_close” as y. (Note: the features are dependent on which version of dataset the model is being applied to)

1. **Data partition: Train | Test Split:** Split the data into training (80%) and test (20%) sets.



2. **Grid Search & Cross Validation:** Determine model parameters to test and apply GridSearchCV (applied to Random Forest Modeling only).
3. **Final Results:** Print the **R2** and **RMSE** scores to find most optimal model.

## Results

- a. **Baseline:** macro signals
- b. **With Vader:** macro signals + vader sentiment score
- c. **With NB:** macro signals + Naive Bayes classification

Linear Modeling				Random Forest				XGBoost			
Scores	Baseline	With Vader	With NB	Scores	Baseline	With Vader	With NB	Scores	Baseline	With Vader	With NB
<b>RMSE</b>	7830	7852	7864	<b>RMSE</b>	2967	2972	2954	<b>RMSE</b>	3282	3474	3185
<b>R2</b>	0.31	0.30	0.30	<b>R2</b>	0.90	0.90	0.90	<b>R2</b>	0.87	0.86	0.89

RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error): typical distance between the predicted values and the actual values. Lower RMSE values imply better model performance.

R-squared: the proportion of variance in the dependent variable that is explained by the independent variables. Higher R-square values imply better model performance.

The most optimal model for predicting Bitcoin's closing prices is **Random Forest Regression with the Naive Bayes classification** as a feature. Additionally, Elon Musk's tweet sentiment **does not significantly improve** the performance of any model in predicting Bitcoin's closing prices.

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# Limitations & Next Steps



## Limitations

- Focus limited to daily impact of Musk's tweets; studies have shown fluctuations within hours of Musk's tweet
- Focused on closing value, not returns -> high RMSE
- Imputed stock values for weekends to fill missing data



## Next Steps

- Exploring the influence of Musk's tweets on the price and volume of Bitcoin within shorter timeframe
- Expected return as the dependent variable
- Collect Musk's tweets over a longer time horizon for larger sample size to isolate effect of his crypto-related tweets





**Thank You!**



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