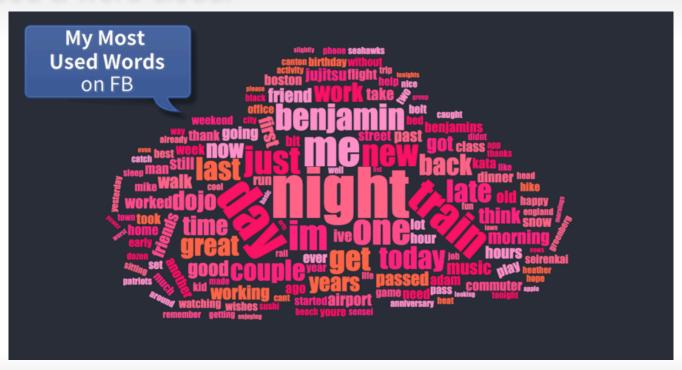


Visualizing Text

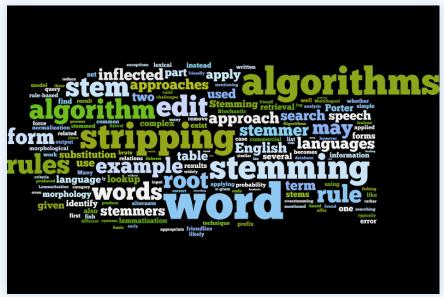
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We need a word cloud!



Which word is gone?





How about now?

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Visualization vectors

Associated Metadata

- Language
- Geography
- Time
- Publication
- Author/@handle
- Socioeconomic
- Social associations

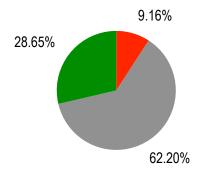
Content Derived

- Stemmed Words/Words/ Phrases
- Part-of-Speech
- Extracted Features
 - Entities
 - Themes
 - Topics
 - Intentions
- Sentiment/Emotions

Filters and Grouping

- Weighting factors
 - Counts
 - "Importance"
- Similarity
- Co-occurrence
 - Categories
 - Other words

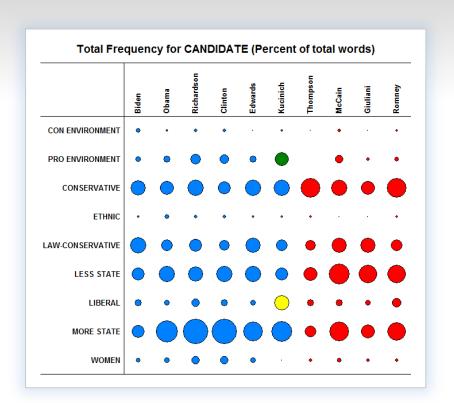
Pies (one axis)



Positive: 28.65%
Negative: 9.16%
Neutral: 62.20%

For any more than 3 data points pie charts become increasingly hard to read. If you have 3 or fewer data points, why not just use a table?

Bubbles (4 axes)



Stemmed Words vs. Words vs. Word Phrases vs. Relationships

- I was greatly satisfied with my dinner.
- Greatly satisfied
- Greatly

Satisfied(x1.5) \rightarrow dinner

- Great
- I hate the cracked screen on my phone.
- Cracked screen
- Crack

Cracked Screen → phone

Stemming vs. Lemmatization

Stemming

Walking → Walk

Better → Better

I am meeting him tomorrow

Meeting → Meet

In our last meeting, we...

Meeting → Meet

Lemmatization

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Walking → Walk

Better → Good

I am meeting him tomorrow

Meeting → Meet

In our last meeting, we...

Meeting → Meeting
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Top themes + relative occurrence

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Plus Sentiment

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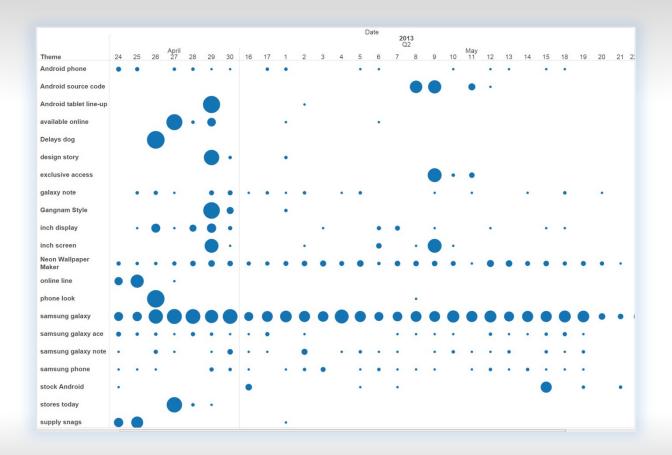
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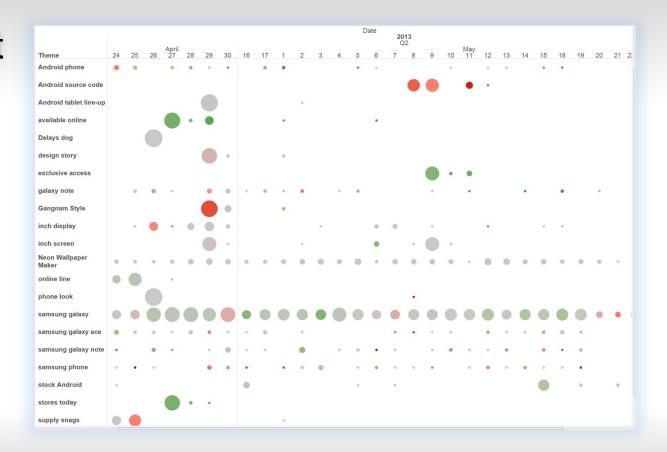
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+Time



+Sentiment



Summary

- Don't use word clouds if you can avoid them.
- Really don't use word clouds for any sort of comparison over time.
- If you're going to use word clouds
 - use intelligent colors
 - use them either as a user-interface
 - or use them when you've already done a bunch of filtering
- Don't use pie charts when details are important, use tables instead.
- Many other chart types, such as bubble charts, have the visual appeal of word clouds while providing more information.

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