Text analysis for drug use categorization on social media

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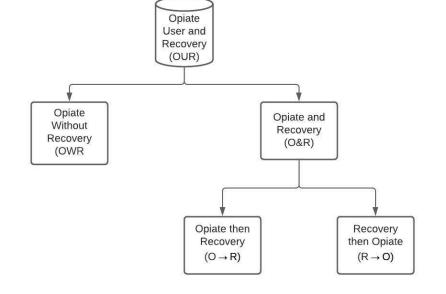
The data

Reddit dump files from December 2009 to February 2022

# users	# posts	Opiate Subreddits	Recovery Subreddits
122,200	7,940,558	7	13

Recove	ery Subreddits
Opiate	sRecovery
suboxo	one
Metha	done
addict	ion
Opiate	withdrawal
REDDI [*]	TORSINRECOVERY
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drugre	habcenters

Opiate Subreddits
opiates
OpiateChurch
heroin
РорруТеа
glassine
opiatescirclejerk
HeroinHighway



Grouping	# users
Number of users posting to opiate and opiate recovery subreddits (OUR):	78,388
Number of users posting to opiate without recovery subreddits (OWR):	68,989
Number of users who posted in both opiate and a recovery subreddit (O&R):	9,399
Number of users who posted to opiate then a recovery subreddit (O→R):	6,016
Number of users who posted to recovery then posted to an opiate subreddit (R→O):	3,383

DUI

Parse a post and categorize terms/post using the DUI parser

Paraphrased post Categories and terms identified using DUI Okay so today is my 61st day in drug_recovery.recovery; <u>recovery</u>. I was deep into drug_recovery.recovery_support.aa: meetings, na, dealing and using *acid* and na_meetings; drug_recovery.recovery_support.recovery <u>DMT</u>. I was eventually put into programs: out_patient, iop, iop_intensive; <u>rehab</u>, which I quickly signed drug_recovery.recovery_support.rehab: rehab; myself out of. Now Im in *IOP* drug_terms.hallucinogens: acid, dmt (<u>intensive out patient</u>) and have been going to <u>NA meetings</u> regularly since.

Data: Individual level view

• Trying to get an individual level view within the data

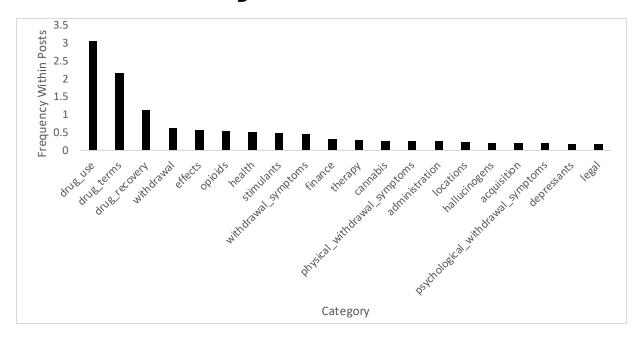
Username	2021-05	2021-06	2021-07	2021-08	2021-09	2021-10	2021-11	2021-12	2022-01	2022-02	Total
traceyh415	1	1	3	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	1033
MetroMaker	12	13	14	26	14	0	0	0	0	0	505
Dopana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	307
FashionablyF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	299
iAmAPickleYo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	295
jlogic420	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	279
dori_88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	265
OxyJay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
DopeGuy123	2	0	3	0	3	2	1	0	3	3	207
ohmygurd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	206
street_philat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	206
DragonChase	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	205
Psychonaut4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	202

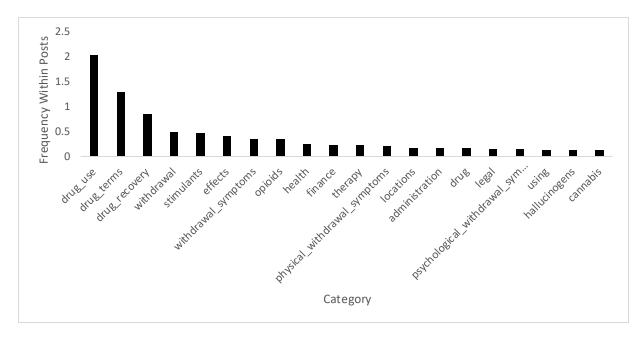
Data: Subreddit monthly intervals

Trying to get similar insights into population levels of the data by looking at subreddits

subreddit	[2016, 10]	[2017, 4]	[2017, 10]	[2018, 4]	[2018, 10]	[2019, 4]	[2019, 10]	[2020, 4]	[2020, 10]	[2021, 4]	[2021, 9]	total posts
opiates	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	213134
AskReddit	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	83542
Drugs	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	81441
trees	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	44851
benzodiazep	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	41560
OpiateChurc	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	39398
politics	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	29544
heroin	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25853
The_Donald	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	24374

Text Analysis





Old

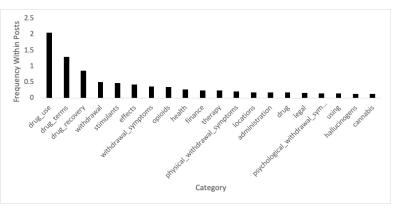
Figure 14: Frequency of DUI categories (OWR). This chart displays the twenty most frequent DUI categories appearing within all subreddits from users in the OWR grouping.

Category	Frequency
drug_use	3.07
drug_terms	2.18
drug_recovery	1.12
withdrawal	0.64
effects	0.57

Category	Frequency
drug_use	2.04
drug_terms	1.30
drug_recovery	0.86
withdrawal	0.50
stimulants	0.47

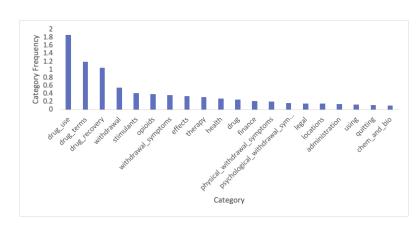
DUI category frequency across user groupings

OWR



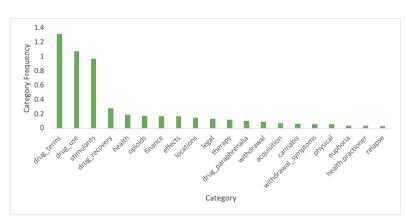
Category	Frequency
drug_use	2.04427045
drug_terms	1.29658801
drug_recovery	0.85523352
withdrawal	0.49551433
stimulants	0.46824628

$O \rightarrow R$



Categories	Frequency
drug_use	1.86513427
drug_terms	1.19191594
drug_recovery	1.04942377
withdrawal	0.54542169
stimulants	0.41288983

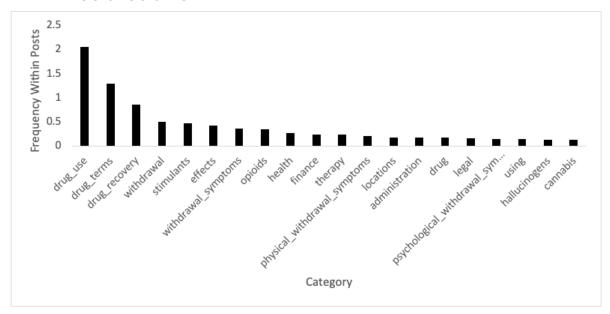
R→O



Category	Frequency
drug_terms	1.31339898
drug_use	1.07692653
stimulants	0.97272595
drug_recovery	0.28206021
health	0.18583186

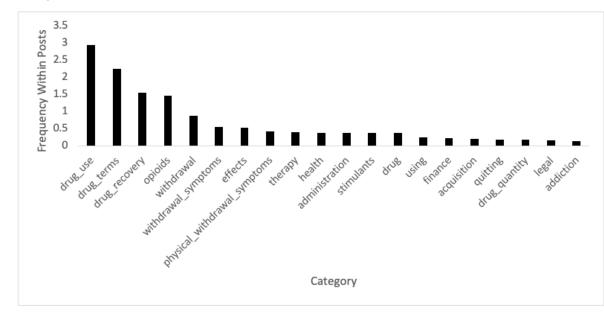
DUI category frequency changes within OWR

All subreddits



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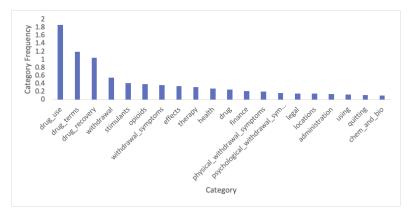
Opiate subreddits



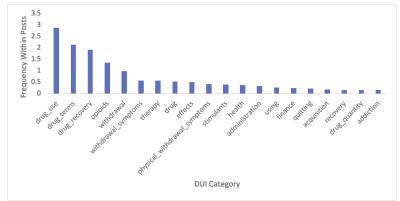
Category	Frequency
drug_use	2.92489556
drug_terms	2.23138916
drug_recovery	1.54469474
opioids	1.46991774
withdrawal	0.87650106

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All subreddits

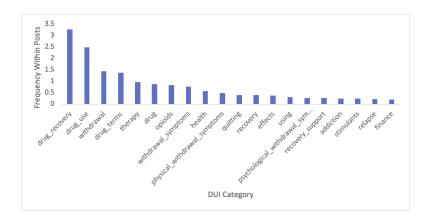


Opiate subreddits



Category	Frequency
drug_use	2.87462875
drug_terms	2.12373932
drug_recovery	1.90691653
opioids	1.34813398
withdrawal	0.9899904

Recovery subreddits



Category	Frequency
drug_recovery	3.26197153
drug_use	2.48593031
withdrawal	1.42873994
drug_terms	1.37258622
therapy	0.95483077

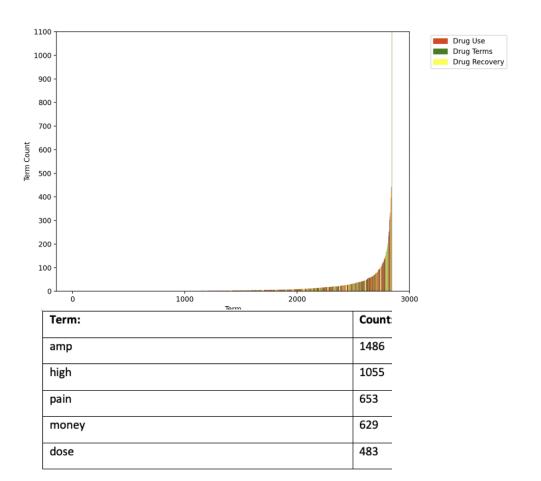
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Term categorizations in the OWR grouping

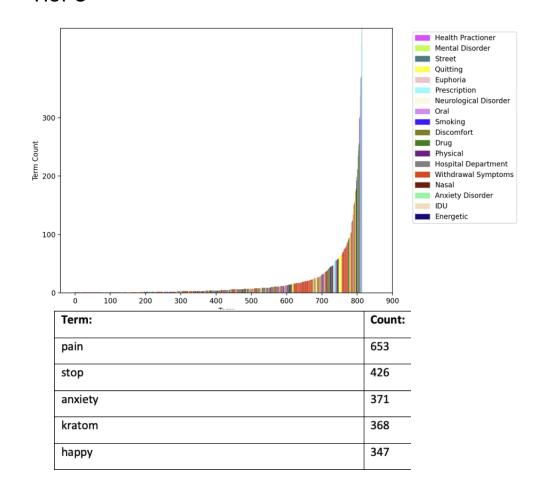
Term/phrase Tier 1 Tier 2 Tier 3

cold_clammy,drug_recovery,withdrawal,withdrawal_symptoms,physical_withdrawal_symptoms
cold_flashes,drug_recovery,withdrawal,withdrawal_symptoms,physical_withdrawal_symptoms

Tier 1

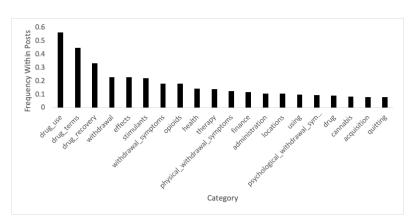


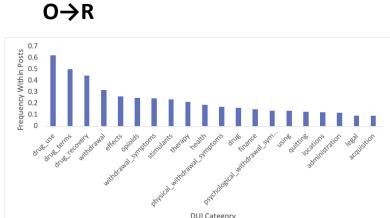
Tier 3



Presence – absence of categories across groups

OWR





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Category	Frequency
drug_use	0.5634
drug_terms	0.4489
drug_recovery	0.3303
withdrawal	0.2293
effects	0.2292

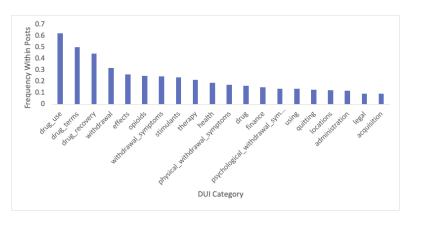
Categories	Frequency
drug_use	0.622
drug_terms	0.4985
drug_recovery	0.4435
withdrawal	0.316
effects	0.2617

Category	Frequency
drug_use	0.3341
drug_terms	0.3282
stimulants	0.2307
drug_recovery	0.114
opioids	0.1003

R→O

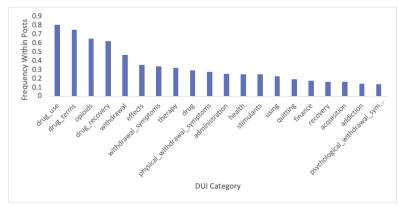
Presence – absence changes within O→R

All subreddits



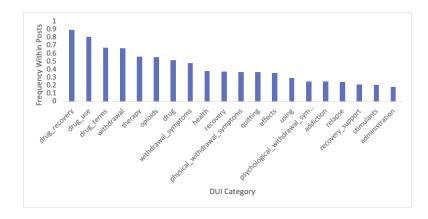
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effects	0.2617

Opiate subreddits



Categories	Frequency
drug_use	0.8042
drug_terms	0.7492
opioids	0.6487
drug_recovery	0.6236
withdrawal	0.4632

Recovery subreddits



Category	Frequency
drug_recovery	0.8965
drug_use	0.8098
drug_terms	0.6707
withdrawal	0.6647
therapy	0.5583

Conclusions

- The current implementation of the DUI parser on my dataset shows promise to be useful to answer earlier questions
- More work to be done to verify my database and parser before drawing conclusions
- Questions?