

Text Mining on Unstructured Data


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Agenda

- The importance of unstructured information
- What is text mining?
- A simple application
 - Cause of Loss Determination
- A more complex application
 - Text Mining Claim Adjuster Notes
- Other applications

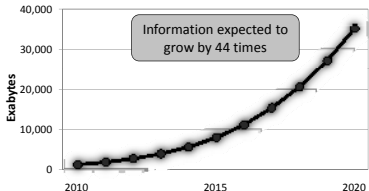
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Digital Information Explosion

- 1,200 Exabytes (10¹⁸) data created in 2010
 - Expected to grow to 35,000 Exabytes by 2020*



- Estimated that 95% of this data will be unstructured
 - Pictures, video, text, etc.

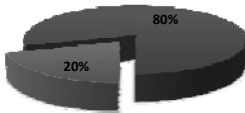
* Chart derived from figures in the "Digital Universe" report published by International Data Corp - May 4, 2010

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Importance of Unstructured Data

- Largely believed that 80% of business information is contained in unstructured data sources

Business Information




■ Structured Data ■ Unstructured Data

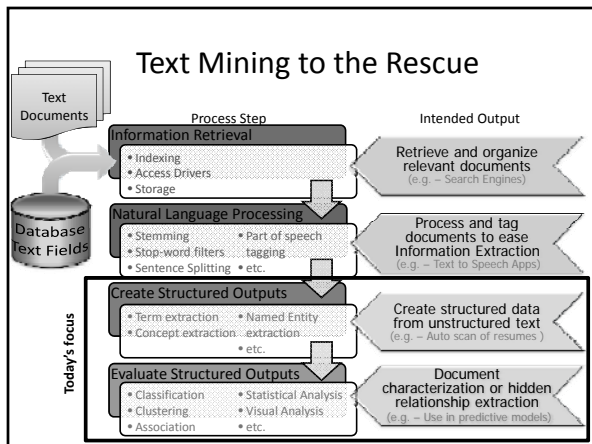


How do we extract and use the information embedded in these volumes of data?

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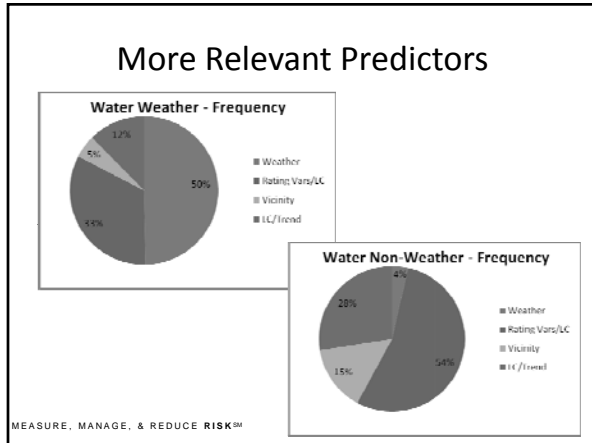
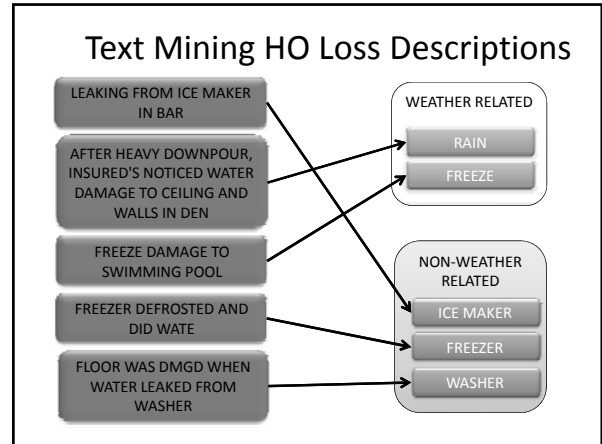
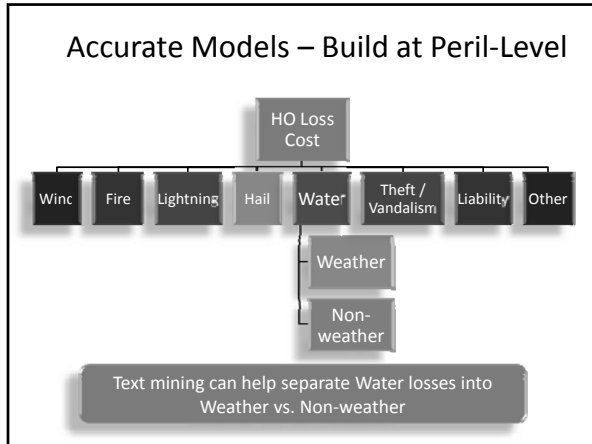
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Improve Pricing Models Through Better Segmentation

CAUSE OF LOSS DETERMINATION

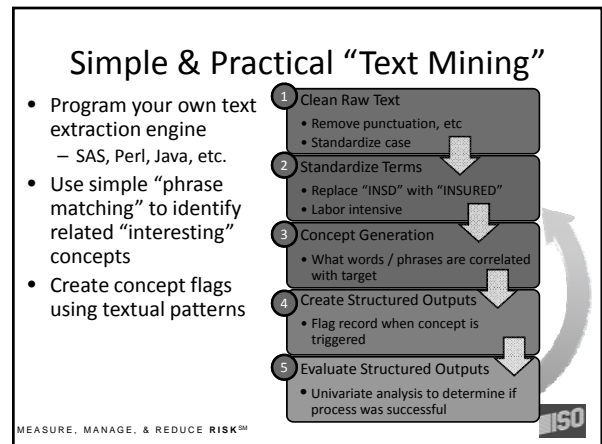
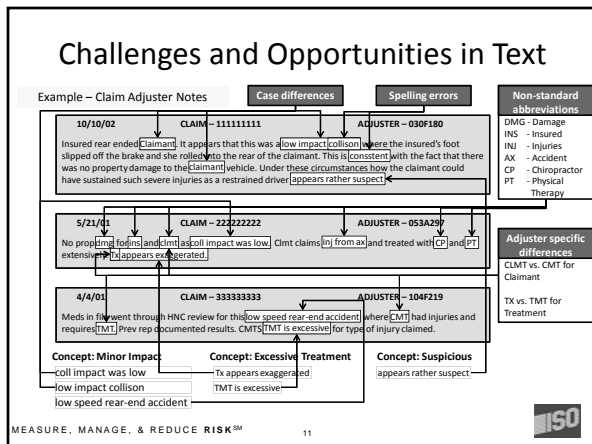
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Process for Mining Claim Adjuster Notes

TEXT MINING FOR SUSPICIOUS CLAIMS

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Overcoming Real World Challenges

1 Clean Raw Text

- Standardize case
- Remove punctuation
- Remove non-printing characters

- Removes noise to ease matching
- Simplifies coding in later steps
-(Claimant vs. claimant)

SAS Code Sample

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    /*** define characters to be removed ***/
    %let _delim_ = ',./\()*~*_-+=:;<>|{}[]~!@#%&'> | " ' | ~ ~ ~ ;

    /*** convert special characters to blanks and upcase ***/
    TXT_clean = upcase(compbl(translate(t_loss_desc, ' ', &_delim_)));

    /*** remove control characters ***/
    TXT_clean = compress(t_loss_desc_clean, , 'c' );
    
```

Removing all punctuation from text can have unintended consequences.

- NLP uses punctuation to parse sentences
- Dollar values or dates will be stripped of their inherent structure

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Overcoming Real World Challenges

1 Clean Raw Text

- Standardize case
- Remove punctuation
- Remove non-printing characters

- Regular expressions allow for conditional replacement based on complex patterns

```

    /*** define patterns to look for ***/
    MatchDt = PRXPARSE('/(\d{0,2})\d{0,2}\d{0,4}/');
    MatchBslash = PRXPARSE('/(\\)/');

    /*** define substitution ***/
    SubstBslash = PRXPARSE('s/(\\)/ /');

    /*** find positional values for matches ***/
    if PRXMATCH(MatchDt,t_loss_desc) > 0 then call PRXPOSN
    (MatchDt,1,DtStart,DtLength);
    if PRXMATCH(MatchBslash,t_loss_desc) > 0 then call PRXPOSN
    (MatchBslash,1,BsStart);

    /*** conditional replacement ***/
    if BsStart < DtStart or BsStart > DtStart + DtLength then call
    PRXCHANGE (SubstBslash, -1, t_loss_desc_clean);
    
```

Standardize Terms

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- Replace "INSD" with "INSURED"
- Labor intensive

Steps:

- Parse text into 1 and 2 word n-gram tokens
 - Suppress noise words (and, the, etc.)
- Generate PROC FREQ for tokens
- Sort in alphabetical order
- Manually review terms and group
- Existing domain expertise is important

Very labor intensive.
Alternative is to "text mine" for all possible permutations of words in each phrase

Original String	Replacement
INSD	INSURED
INS	INSURED
POLICYHOLDER	INSURED
POLICY HOLDER	INSURED
INSD	INSURED
INSURED	INSURED
INRD	INSURED
INRSD	INSURED
INSDS	INSURED
INSED	INSURED
INSR	INSURED
INSRD	INSURED
INSRDS	INSURED
INSRD	INSURED
INSRUED	INSURED
INSURED	INSURED

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Concept Generation

3 Concept Generation

- Discover words and phrases correlated with target

Multistep process:

- Extract phrases from raw text
 - 1/2/3 word n-grams
- Evaluate phrases based on target
- Keep phrases with "strong signal"
- Group "like" phrases into semantic concepts
- Generalize concepts to maximize hits on new corpus

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Phrase Extraction Illustration

Begin with seed list (if available) provided by domain experts and iteratively augment and discover novel phrases of predictive value

Note - By using (1 - Precision) and a Recall measure for Targeted, we can simultaneously extract both Positive and Negative concepts from the same seed.

Seed List #1

EXCESSIVE TREATMENT

EXCESSIVE OVER

Augmentation Seed List #2

QUESTIONABLE TX

TMT

Augmentation Seed List #3

TRAMT

EXAGGERATED OVER INJURY

INFLATING MED APPEARS BUILDUP

Context-Driven Phrase Extraction

OVERTREATMENT

EXCESSIVE TREATMENT

QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT

TREATMENT APPEARS EXCESSIVE

TREATMENT IS QUESTIONABLE

NO QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT

EXCESSIVE TX

EXCESSIVE TMT

Context-Driven Phrase Extraction

QUESTIONABLE TRAMT

OVER TX

INFLATING TMT

TX APPEARS EXAGGERATED

QUESTIONABLE INJURY

MED BUILDUP QUESTIONABLE

Context-Driven Phrase Extraction

INFLATING BILL

MED BUILDUP

MEDS APPEAR INFLATED

BUILDUP CASE

BUILDUP DAMAGE

OVERINFLATED INJURY

TRAMT SUSPICIOUS

SUSPECT TRAMT

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Phrase Assessment

- Numerous options available
 - Chi-Square
 - Gini Index
 - F-measure
 - Univariate regression

F - measure from machine learning

$$F_\beta = \frac{(1 + \beta^2) \cdot \text{true positive}}{((1 + \beta^2) \cdot \text{true positive} + \beta^2 \cdot \text{false negative} + \text{false positive})}$$

Chi Square from statistics

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

- Use whatever method makes you comfortable

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Phrase Assessment

- N-Grams labeled with Precision, Recall and F-measure
 - Higher F-measure is better
 - $\beta = .25$

Phrase	Precision	Recall	F-Measure
APPEARS EXAGGERATED	81.4%	4.1%	0.686
EXCESSIVE TREATMENT	79.6%	3.9%	0.668
QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT	78.5%	3.8%	0.657
QUESTIONABLE INJURY	72.9%	4.5%	0.634
TX APPEARS EXAGGERATED	89.7%	1.9%	0.615
INFLATING BILL	94.2%	1.7%	0.612
NO PROP DMG	58.9%	13.7%	0.570
IMPACT WAS LOW	54.3%	12.7%	0.526
MED BUILDUP	95.2%	0.9%	0.467
TREATED WITH CP	92.7%	0.9%	0.459
EXCESSIVE TMT	81.7%	1.0%	0.452
PT	51.0%	2.0%	0.410
PT EXTENSIVELY	67.0%	1.0%	0.405
CP	84.0%	0.6%	0.354
TX APPEARS	37.3%	2.8%	0.332
BUILD UP CASE	88.7%	0.4%	0.278
CP AND PT	78.0%	0.3%	0.231
LOW	10.6%	63.9%	0.107
IMPACT	5.9%	89.3%	0.060

Concept Generation

Phrases Extracted with Strong Signal

QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT
MINOR IMPACT
TREATMENT WAS QUESTIONABLE
EXCESSIVE TREATMENT
SUSPICIOUS TREATMENT
TREATMENT APPEARS EXAGGERATED
LOW IMPACT
TREATMENT CONSIDERED SUSPICIOUS
EXTENDED TREATMENT
SUSPECT TREATMENT
OVERTREATMENT
OVER TREATMENT
MINIMAL PROPERTY DAMAGE
INFLATED TREATMENT
TREATMENT IS QUESTIONABLE
TREATMENT BUILDUP
LOW SPEED

}

Concept: Suspicious Treatment
QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT
TREATMENT WAS QUESTIONABLE
TREATMENT IS QUESTIONABLE
SUSPICIOUS TREATMENT
TREATMENT CONSIDERED SUSPICIOUS
SUSPECT TREATMENT

Concept: Excess Treatment
EXCESSIVE TREATMENT
TREATMENT APPEARS EXAGGERATED
EXTENDED TREATMENT
OVERTREATMENT
OVER TREATMENT
INFLATED TREATMENT
TREATMENT BUILDUP

Concept: Minor Impact
MINOR IMPACT
LOW IMPACT
MINIMAL PROPERTY DAMAGE
LOW SPEED

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Concept Generalization

Two key patterns among all phrases

Concept: Suspicious Treatment
QUESTIONABLE TREATMENT
TREATMENT WAS QUESTIONABLE
TREATMENT IS QUESTIONABLE
SUSPICIOUS TREATMENT
TREATMENT CONSIDERED SUSPICIOUS
SUSPECT TREATMENT

- "QUESTION" within a few words of "TREAT"
- Some variation of "SUSPECT" within a few words or "TREAT"

```

/** use regular expressions to match generalized patterns */
Suspect_Tmt1 = PRXPARSE ('/\b((QUESTION(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+TREAT)|(TREAT(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+(QUESTION)))\b/');
Suspect_Tmt2 = PRXPARSE ('/\b((SUSP(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+TREAT)|(TREAT(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+(SUSP)))\b/');
    
```

Keep patterns as simple as possible. If there are five distinct patterns create five regular expressions. This simplifies backend diagnostics.

Create Structured Outputs

```

/** use regular expressions to match generalized patterns */
Suspect_Tmt1 = PRXPARSE ('/\b((QUESTION(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+TREAT)|(TREAT(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+(QUESTION)))\b/');
Suspect_Tmt2 = PRXPARSE ('/\b((SUSP(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+TREAT)|(TREAT(?:\W+\w+){0,20}?W+(SUSP)))\b/');

/** if pattern matches set flag = 1 */
F_tmt1 = 0; F_tmt2 = 0;

if PRXMATCH(Suspect_Tmt1, TXT_Clean_subst) > 0 then F_tmt1 = 1;
if PRXMATCH(Suspect_Tmt2, TXT_Clean_subst) > 0 then F_tmt2 = 1;

/** look to see if any "child" concept matched */
Suspect_Treatment = max(Suspect_Tmt1, Suspect_Tmt2);
    
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Determine if any pattern matched. Can use sum to get total matches.

Evaluate Univariate Lift

5 Evaluate Structured Outputs

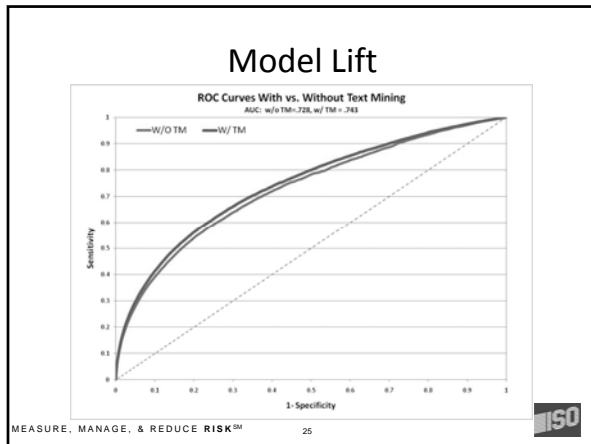
- Univariate analysis to determine if process was successful

- Numerous options available
 - Chi-Square
 - F-measure
 - Gini Index
 - Univariate regression
 - Visual

If "parent" concept is not significant, begin looking at individual "children" concepts to determine which pieces may need refinement

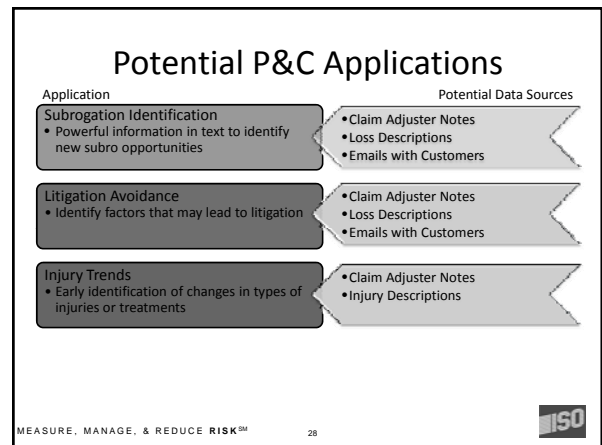
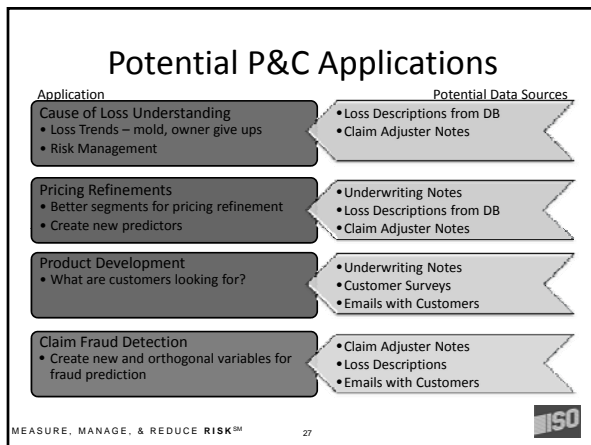
Enhanced Detection with Text Mining

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What else can I do?

OTHER P&C APPLICATIONS



Summary

- Text Mining can release the power buried in unstructured data
 - Many applications to explore in P&C
- Numerous issues exist in real world text that must be addressed to harness this power
- Text mining is an iterative – learn and refinement process
- Programming your own extraction engine is possible with existing tools
 - Good open source tools also exist

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