Distinguish companies from noise.

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Statement of the problem.

Given: the file with 21332 rows with data on GLE claims. It has column Claim_Name. Two cases:

- It corresponds to the company, e.g. Grangl GmbH
- It corresponds to the noise, e.g., DO NOT USE Sweco Lietuva UAB

How to distinguish these two cases?



Regular expressions approach.

- turn to lowercase
- If it contains az, ag, inc, lp, corp, gmbh, ltd, a.s., sp., s.r.o., llc, l.p., p.c., p.a., b.v., then it is a company.
- If it contains dr, accident, prof, year, do not use, tba, then it is a noise.
- Manual validation (knownnotcompanies.csv).
- The approach was used to prepare a labelled data set for the ML approach.

ML approach, part 1

- Feature extraction: hasComma, hasDigit, hasBracket, numberOfWords, averageWordLength, numberOfLines,...
- Metric is F1-score, hold out set (20%), train-test split, 3-fold cross-validation
- Candidate algorithms: random forest, decision tree, gradient boosting, logistic regression, SVN.
- The best was gradient boosting, the second was random forest.
- F1-score was good, but there were problems on the unlabelled dataset.



ML approach, part 2

Only the best features:



Model: Decision tree.

$$F1_{CV} = 0.9062, F1_{test} = 0.8905, F1_{rep} = 0.932.$$

About 66% of data corresponds to companies.

Solution in R and Python.

