

Comparison of Sentiment Analysis Dictionaries

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sqldf is used to run SQL queries on a dataframe. **stringr** is used to cleaning text data. **ggplot2** is used to visualize data. **SentimentAnalysis** is used to compare different sentiment analysis libraries from various NLP packages. **pracma** is used for smoothing time series data used in graphics. **plyr** is used for dealing with high dimensional data.

```
library("sqldf")
```

```
## Warning in doTryCatch(return(expr), name, parentenv, handler): unable to load shared object '/Library/
##   dlopen(/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/modules//R_X11.so, 6): Library not loaded: /opt/X
##   Referenced from: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Resources/modules//R_X11.so
##   Reason: image not found
```

```
library("stringr")
library("ggplot2")
library('SentimentAnalysis')
library("pracma")
library("plyr")
```

This codeblock reads in downloaded data into two dataframes.

boolNewsDF contains news headlines information only.

djiaDF contains the Dow Jones Index only.

```
boolNewsDF = read.csv("data/Combined_News_DJIA.csv", stringsAsFactors=F, na.strings="NA")
djiaDF      = read.csv("data/DJIA_table.csv", stringsAsFactors=F, na.strings="NA")
```

```
head(djiaDF)
```

```
##      Date      Open      High      Low      Close      Volume Adj.Close
## 1 2016-07-01 17924.24 18002.38 17916.91 17949.37  82160000  17949.37
## 2 2016-06-30 17712.76 17930.61 17711.80 17929.99 133030000  17929.99
## 3 2016-06-29 17456.02 17704.51 17456.02 17694.68 106380000  17694.68
## 4 2016-06-28 17190.51 17409.72 17190.51 17409.72 112190000  17409.72
## 5 2016-06-27 17355.21 17355.21 17063.08 17140.24 138740000  17140.24
## 6 2016-06-24 17946.63 17946.63 17356.34 17400.75 239000000  17400.75
```

This newscolumns vector contains column names corresponding to top 25 headlines on a given day.

This codeblock uses a regex to only allow alphanumeric characters and converts all text to lowercase.

```
newscolumns = colnames(boolNewsDF, do.NULL = TRUE, prefix = "col")
newscolumns = tail(newscolumns, -2)
newscolumns
```

```
## [1] "Top1" "Top2" "Top3" "Top4" "Top5" "Top6" "Top7" "Top8"
## [9] "Top9" "Top10" "Top11" "Top12" "Top13" "Top14" "Top15" "Top16"
## [17] "Top17" "Top18" "Top19" "Top20" "Top21" "Top22" "Top23" "Top24"
## [25] "Top25"
```

```
for(column in newscolumns)
{
```

```

boolNewsDF[,column] = gsub("[^[:alnum:]]", "", str_sub(boolNewsDF[,column], 3, -2))
boolNewsDF[,column] = tolower(boolNewsDF[,column])
}

tail(boolNewsDF$Top1)

## [1] "vid cameron to resign as pm after eu referendu"
## [2] "rclays and rbs shares suspended from trading after tanking more than 8"
## [3] "500 scientists to australia if you want to save the great barrier reef stop supporting coa"
## [4] "plosion at airport in istanbu"
## [5] "maica proposes marijuana dispensers for tourists at airports following legalisation the kiosks a
## [6] "117yearold woman in mexico city finally received her birth certificate and died a few hours lat

rm(newscolumns)

```

This SQL statement creates a new dataframe that merges the news df and the Dow Jones df.

```

SELECT = 'SELECT *'
FROM   = 'FROM djiaDF,boolNewsDF'
WHERE  = 'WHERE djiaDF.Date == boolNewsDF.Date'
ORDER  = 'ORDER BY djiaDF.Date ASC'

my_sql_statement = paste(SELECT,FROM,WHERE,ORDER,sep=' ')

sql_results      = sqldf(my_sql_statement)

```

This codeblock takes the top 3 headlines for a given day and combines the three headlines into a single column. This combined news headline will be used later for sentiment analysis.

```

columnlist = c()

for(i in 1:3) columnlist = c( columnlist , paste0("Top",i,sep='') )

sql_results$combined = do.call( paste, c( sql_results[columnlist] , sep = ' ' ) )

```

This codeblock uses SentimentAnalysis's function to generate sentiment values using 4 different major NLP libraries. The convertToDirection function takes the numeric output from the analyzeSentiment function to sentiment tags "negative" "neutral" "positive".

```

headlines      = sql_results$combined

sentimentsAll  <- analyzeSentiment(headlines)

directionsSAP  = convertToDirection(sentimentsAll)

```

This function quickly creates barplots for sentiment analysis.

```

to_barplot = function(inputDF,title)
{
  Z = count(inputDF)

  barplot(Z$freq,
    main = title,
    names.arg = as.character(Z$x),
    col = c('red','yellow','green')
  )
}

```

Prepare dataframe from graphing news sentiments as time series data.

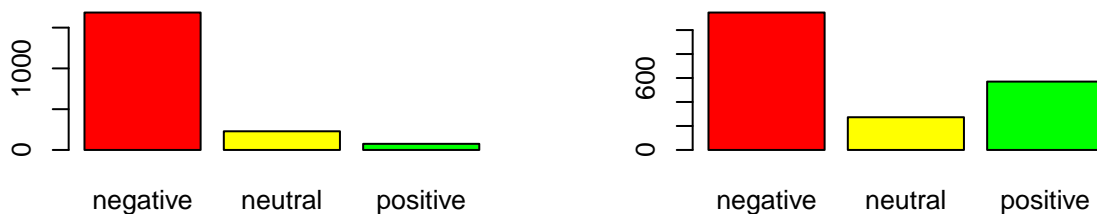
```
firstDifferences = diff(sql_results$Adj.Close, lag = 1, differences = 1)
firstDifferences = c(0.0,firstDifferences)
fdDF = as.data.frame(firstDifferences)
detailsAll = sentimentsAll
detailsAll$Date = as.Date(sql_results$Date)
detailsAll$Diff = fdDF$firstDifferences
detailsAll = detailsAll[-1,]
Date = as.Date(sql_results$Date)[-1]
```

Loughran-McDonald Financial Dictionary is developed by researchers at Notre Dame. **Quantitative Discourse Analysis Package** is developed by Bryan Goodrich, Dason Kurkiewicz, Tyler Rinker. **Harvard-IV Dictionary** is developed by researchers at Harvard. **Henry's Financial Dictionary** was first presented in the Journal of Business Communication. These bargraphs display the number of headlines per day categorized as *negative*, *neutral*, or *positive* according to the different dictionaries.

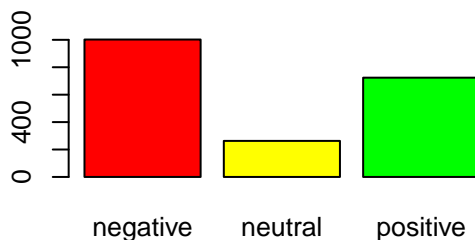
```
par(mfrow=c(2,2)) # display 4 graphs simultaneously.
```

```
to_barplot(directionsSAP$SentimentLM,"Loughran-McDonald Financial dictionary")
to_barplot(directionsSAP$SentimentQDAP,"Quantitative Discourse Analysis Package")
to_barplot( directionsSAP$SentimentGI,"Harvard-IV dictionary used in General Inquirer")
to_barplot(directionsSAP$SentimentHE, 'Henry's Financial Dictionary')
```

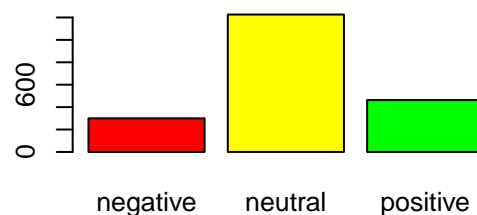
Loughran-McDonald Financial dictionary Quantitative Discourse Analysis Package



Harvard-IV dictionary used in General Inquirer



Henry's Financial Dictionary



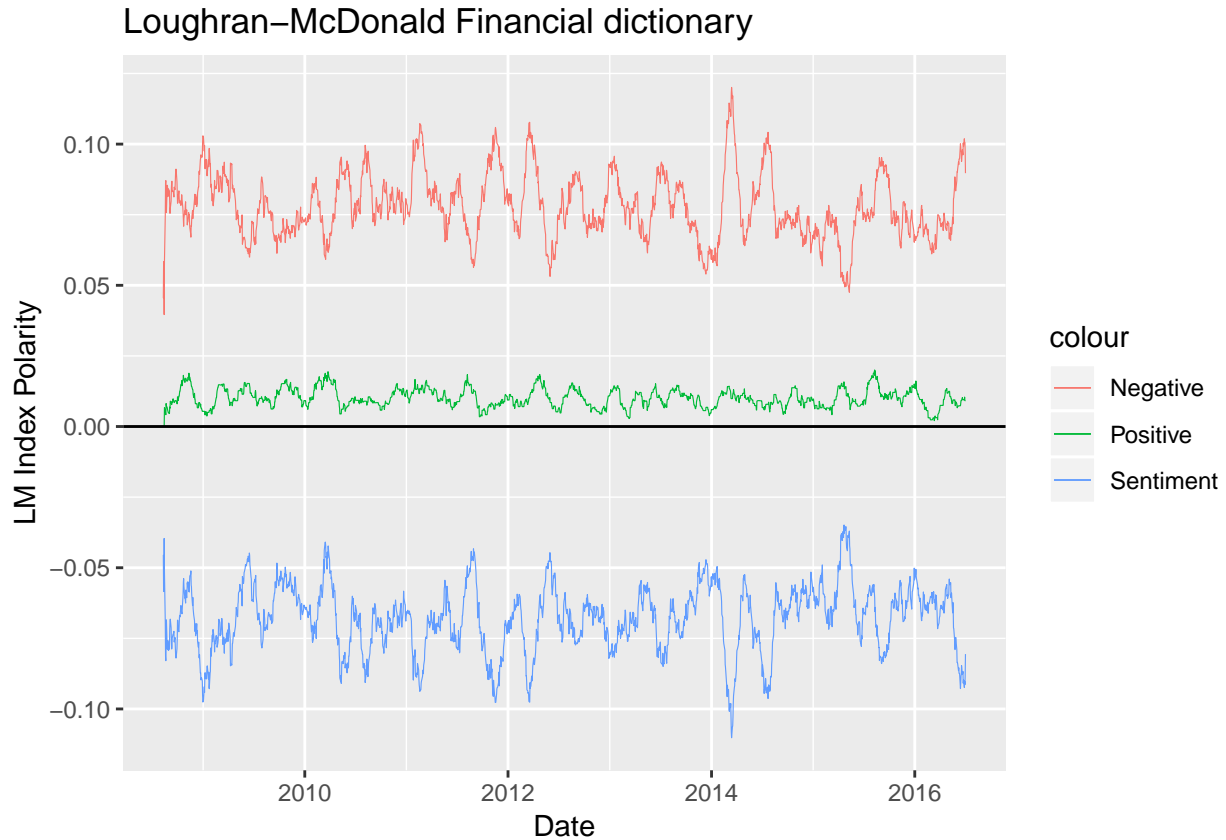
```
par(mfrow=c(1,1)) # display single graph.
```

For each of the different sentiment dictionaries, visualize monthly moving averages of news sentiment over years 2008 to 2016.

H = 30

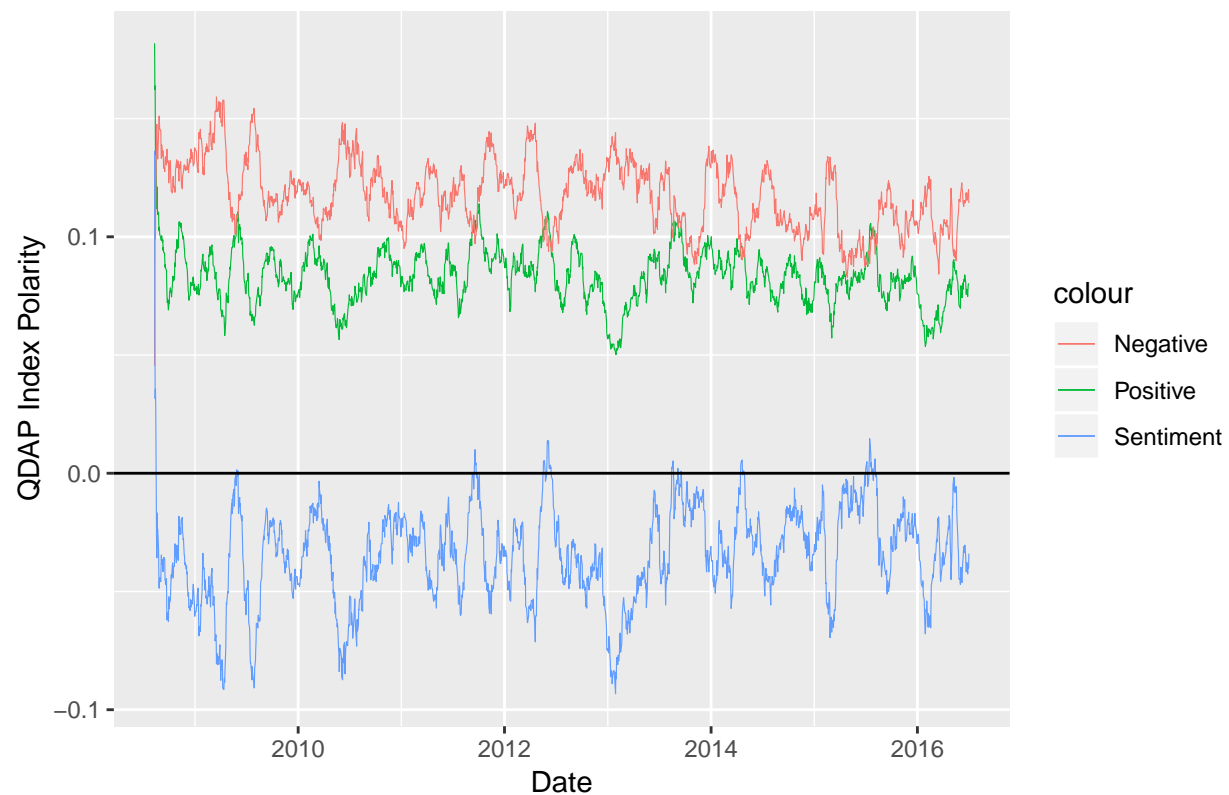
```
ggplot(data = detailsAll, aes(Date)) +
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(PositivityLM,H), colour = "Positive"),size=0.2) +
```

```
geom_line(aes(y = movavg(NegativityLM,H), colour = "Negative"),size=0.2) +
geom_line(aes(y = movavg(SentimentLM,H), colour = "Sentiment"),size=0.2) +
geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 0)) +
ggtitle("Loughran-McDonald Financial dictionary") +
labs(y = "LM Index Polarity")
```



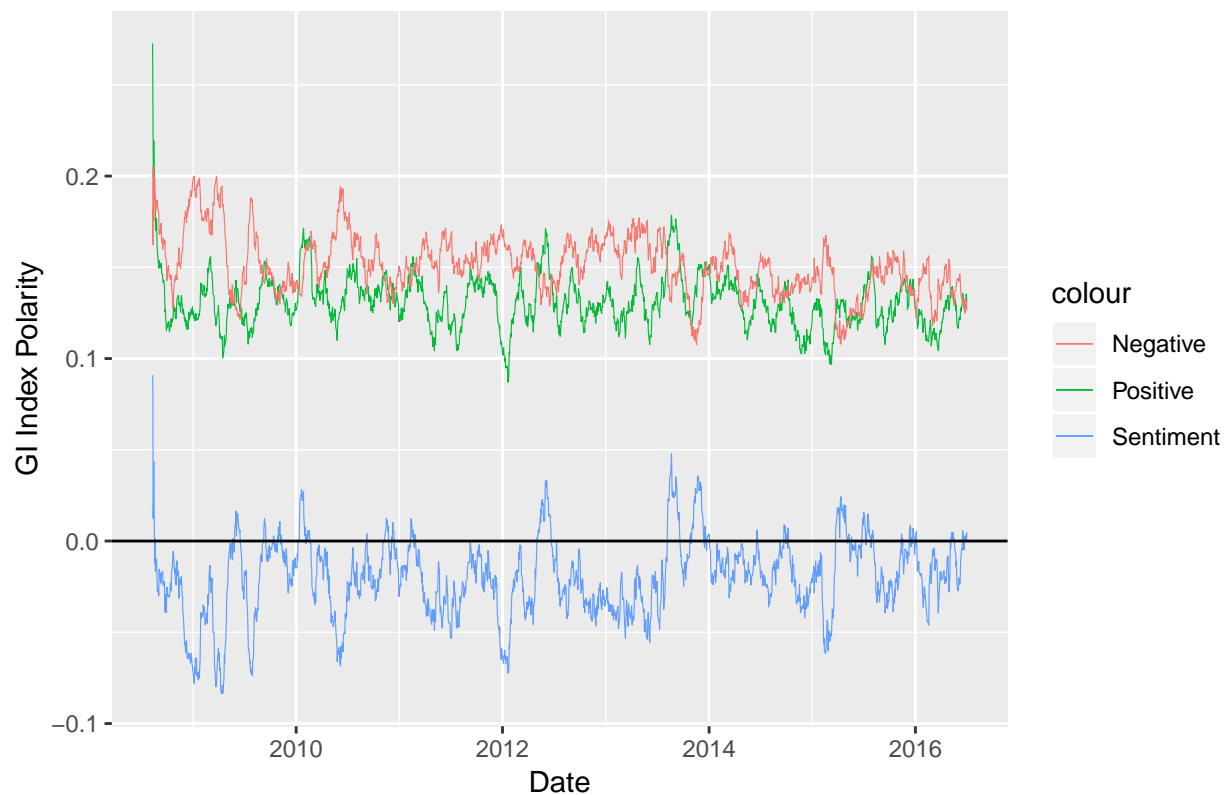
```
ggplot(data = detailsAll, aes(Date)) +
geom_line(aes(y = movavg(PositivityQDAP,H), colour = "Positive"),size=0.2) +
geom_line(aes(y = movavg(NegativityQDAP,H), colour = "Negative"),size=0.2) +
geom_line(aes(y = movavg(SentimentQDAP,H), colour = "Sentiment"),size=0.2) +
geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 0)) +
ggtitle("Quantitative Discourse Analysis Package") +
labs(y = "QDAP Index Polarity")
```

Quantitative Discourse Analysis Package



```
ggplot(data = detailsAll, aes(Date)) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(PositivityGI,H), colour = "Positive"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(NegativityGI,H), colour = "Negative"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(SentimentGI,H), colour = "Sentiment"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 0)) +  
  ggtitle("Harvard-IV Dictionary used in General Inquirer") +  
  labs(y = "GI Index Polarity")
```

Harvard-IV Dictionary used in General Inquirer



```
ggplot(data = detailsAll, aes(Date)) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(PositivityHE,H), colour = "Positive"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(NegativityHE,H), colour = "Negative"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_line(aes(y = movavg(SentimentHE,H), colour = "Sentiment"),size=0.2) +  
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 0)) +  
  ggtitle("Henry's Financial Dictionary") +  
  labs(y = "HE Index Polarity")
```

Henrys Financial Dictionary

