

# Social Media Analytics - CS-EJ5621

## Lecture 5

# Course practicalities

- **Missing Quizzes and Case project proposals**
- **Quiz 4 due today (2359)**
- **Guest lecturer**

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**MSc. (IS); Ph.D. “Application of text mining methods”**

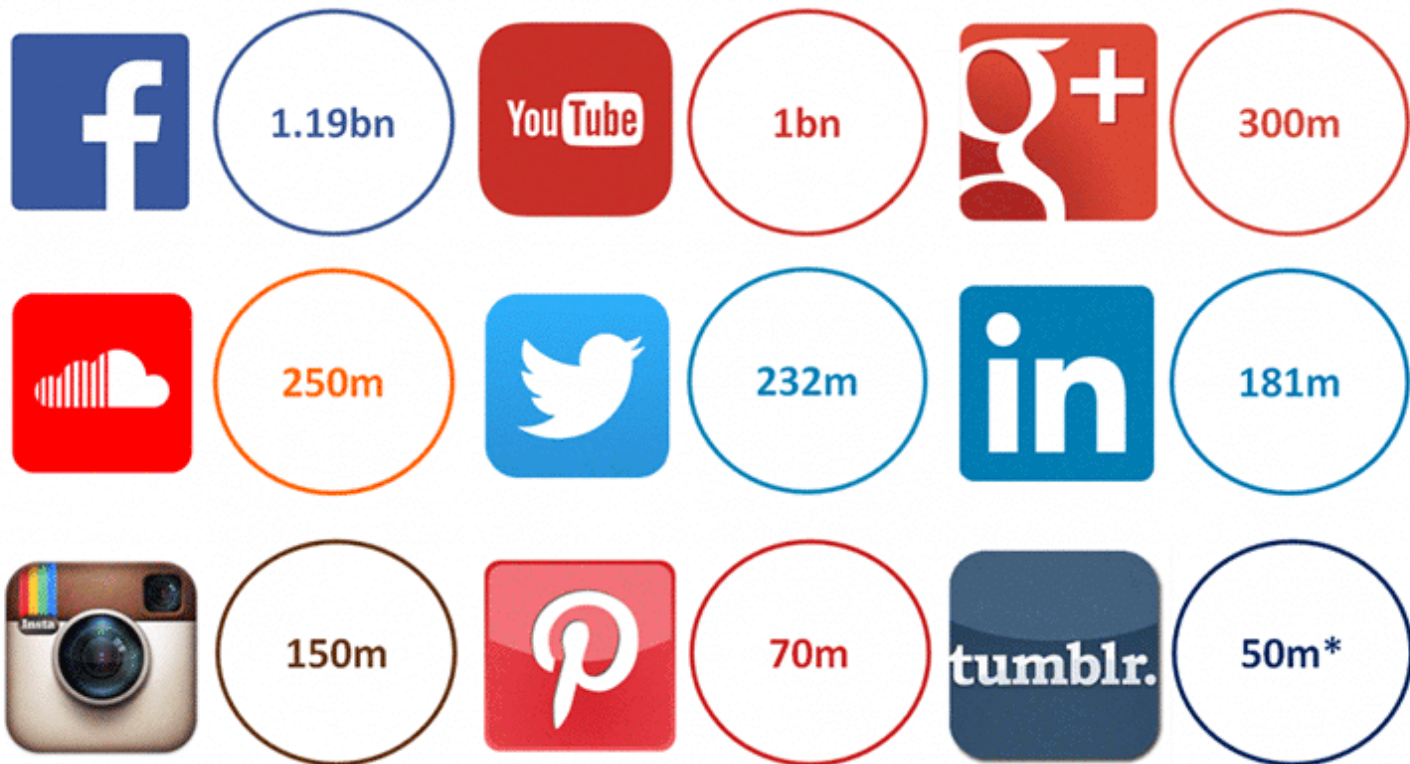
**Research Area: Application of machine learning, Text mining,  
Statistical analysis in business domain**

**Experience in collecting and analyzing user-generated content  
from social media platform and discussion forums**

# Agenda

- **Introduction**
- **Social media data**
- **Text pre-processing**
- **Text analytics methods**
- **Examples of social media text pre-processing**

## Active Monthly Users of the 'Big 9'



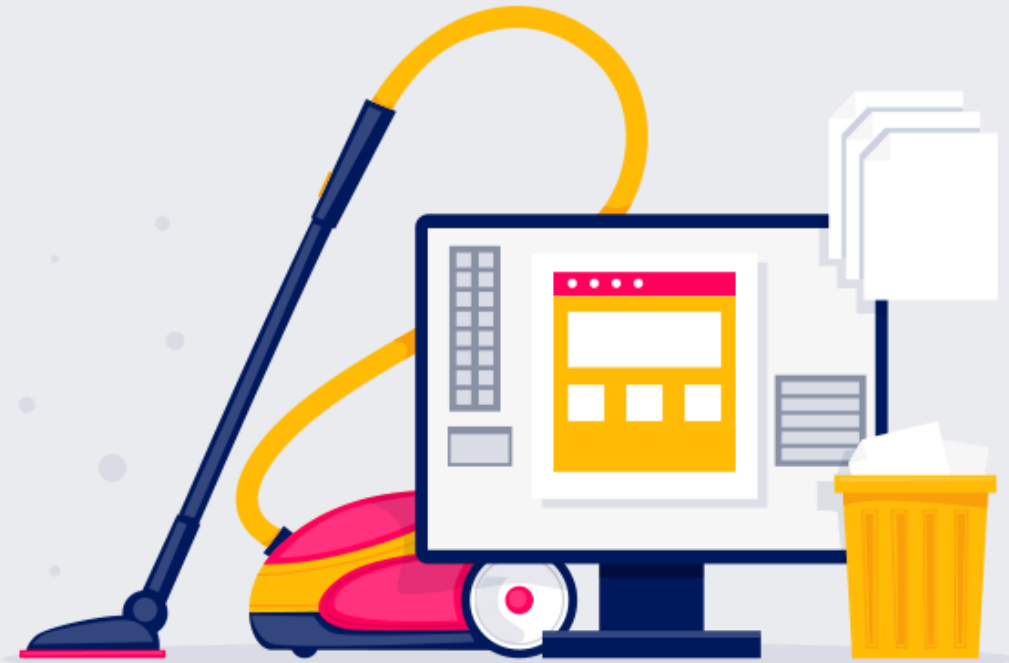
# Social media analytics

- Digital user generated content contains vast amount of information
- Different from experimental setup: Analysts and researcher are observer of phenomenon
- Compared to survey method provides more robust approach to data collection
- Interest from various domains e.g. business, politics, social and behavioral science
- User level data, time series data, and other metadata
- Text is among the dominating form of data

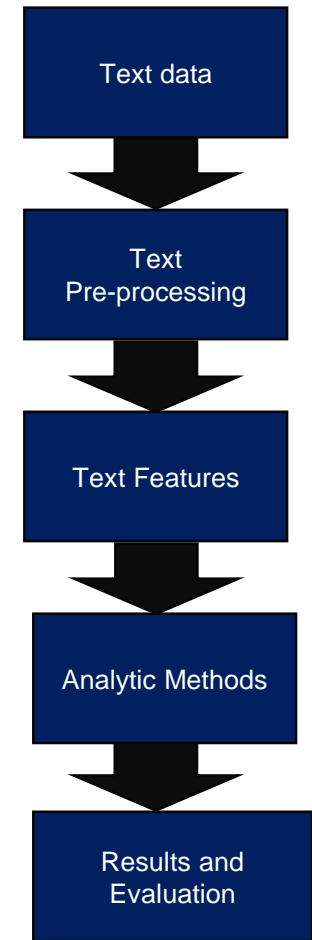
# Social media text

- User generated content
- Among the free form of text
- Lacks structure and correctness
- Noisy: mixture of different language, spelling errors, URL links, tags and words out of dictionary
- Very challenging in cleaning





Source: <https://iterable.com/blog/growth-marketing-platform-migration-guide-part-2-cleaning-data/>



# Text pre-processing

- Objective is to clean the data
- Reduce noise, remove uninformative words, reduce variation
- An important step in text analytics
- Example steps:

Tokenizing -> Lower case -> Remove numbers -> Remove URL -> Remove username -> Remove retweet header -> Lemmatize/Stemming -> Remove stopwords -> Remove punctuations

# Text pre-processing

- Tokenization: Converting text into list of words (Separating words)
- Stopwords: Common words in language, usually do not add value in interpretation (pronouns, articles and auxiliary verbs)
- Removals: Number, URL links, username requires pattern matching
- Stemming: Heuristic approach of reducing words to word stem (basic form)
- Lemmatization: Use of morphological analysis to reduce words to dictionary form

# Text feature representation

- Matrix form with document (tweets as row) and features as column
- Matrix cell value: scoring or count based on various methods
- Depends upon analysis method
- Can be binary, frequency counts, topics produced by topic model, or embedding vectors
- Some examples: Bag of words with frequency count, TF-IDF feature representation, Topic models, Vector embeddings

# Text feature representation

- Bag of words: Word order not preserved
- Classical method: Word counts
- Example: Words as column, documents as row, word counts as entry
- Can also be binary counts

Documets /Terms	a	all	and	dog	drinks	friend	good	had	I	is	meal	nice	need	who
I had a good friend who had good dog	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1
good friend and good dog is all I need	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
I had a nice meal and a nice drinks	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0
dog is a nice friend	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0

# Term frequency – Inverse document frequency (TFIDF)

- Reflects word importance: Improvement over word counts
- $TF = (\text{Word frequency in the document}) / (\text{Total word counts in the document})$
- $IDF = \log(\text{Total number of documents} / \text{Number of documents with the word "W" in it})$
- $TF-IDF = TF * IDF$

Documets /Terms	a	all	and	dog	drinks	friend	good	had	I	is	meal	nice	need	who	Total words
I had a good friend who had good dog	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	9
good friend and good dog is all I need	0	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	9
I had a nice meal and a nice drinks	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	9
dog is a nice friend	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	5
Number of documents with the term	3	1	2	3	1	3	2	2	3	2	1	2	1	1	
Inverse document Frequency	0,125	0,602	0,301	0,125	0,602	0,125	0,301	0,301	0,125	0,301	0,602	0,301	0,602	0,602	

# Popular text analytics methods

## **Mention counts (Keyword counts) -> How to overcome variations**

- One of the most popular method

## **Sentiment Analysis**

- Using sentiment dictionary

## **Topic discovery**

- Still challenging due to nature of text i.e. short and sparse (spread out)

## **Trend analysis**

- Time-series analysis

# Sentiment analysis

- **Two Approach:**
  - Dictionary based method:
    - Words are associated with sentiment scores
    - Prepared by the experts and tested
    - Example includes: Harvard Inquirer, SentiWordnet, LWIC, Vader
    - Sentiment for text is based on the word scores
  - Learning from meta-data:
    - Using machine learning to learn the sentiment rule from already classified data
    - Requires manual effort in classifying data
    - Easier to validate performance



# Topic models

- Popular suite of methods in text mining
- Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA)
- Assumptions:
  - Text documents are observation. The words in the vocabulary are organized as a topic and documents are made from the words that are drawn from the topics
  - Collection of documents can be described in terms of topics that are hidden and common across the documents
  - So the model is formulated as: Given how words co-occur in documents we can infer topics

([http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~blei/topicmodeling\\_software.html](http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~blei/topicmodeling_software.html))

# Words of caution!

- Social media text are short and noisy
- Analytics is not equal to automation! manual validation of results are still important
- Several iteration of cleaning and pre-processing to improve the results
- Methods that rely on co-occurrence statistics (e.g. topic model) suffer from sparsity (spreading words)
- Methods that uses context window statistics (word embeddings) tends to perform better (can be useful in reducing variations of words)

# Python demo (text pre-processing)

Stemming & Lemmatization - GUI interface

<http://text-processing.com/demo/stem/>

# Next lecture – 16.10.2020

- Thematic analysis
- Sentiment analysis
- Social network analysis

# Thank you