# Healthy Data



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### Who are we?



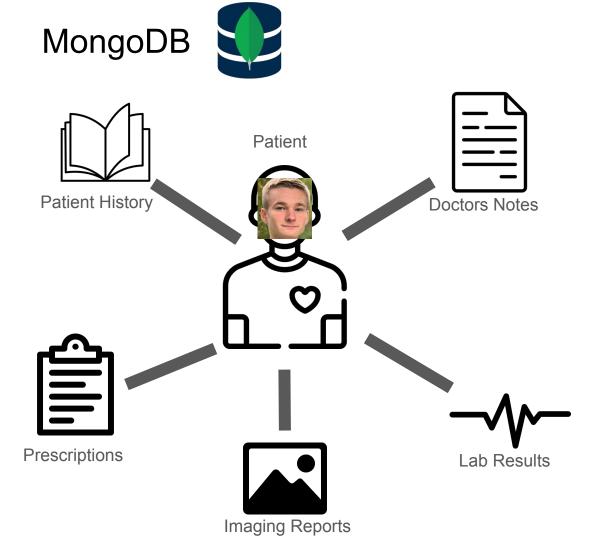






#### Data Engineering Team supporting Healthcare Data Scientists

- Explore the use of three different NoSQL Databases
- Support new hospital price strategy, insurance, and data management
- Uncover hidden relationships and patterns in complex datasets using graph algorithms







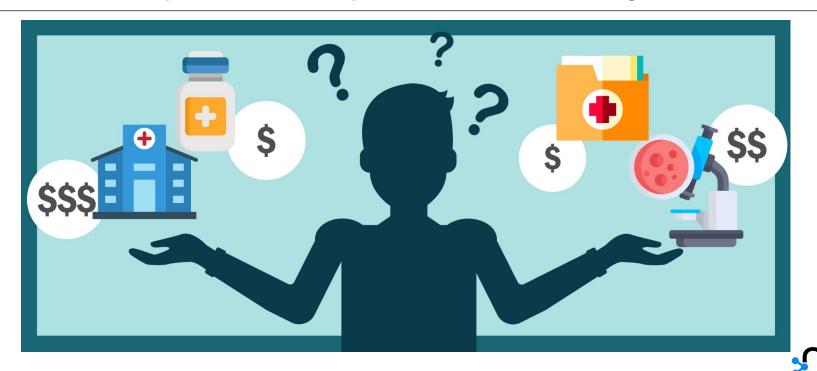




## United States Healthcare, Price Transparency, Neo4j

#### **Key Questions**

- Who are the most connected insurance providers in the state of illinois?
- Which insurance companies are similar to each other?
- Are there patterns to how hospitals and insurances work together?



## **Dataset**



## Chargemaster files









# Hospital table and Rates table

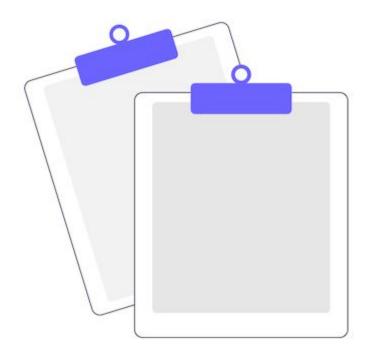
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## Assumptions

- Pricing is correct
- Dataset is complete
- Insurance pays what is asked
- Data refresh



## Problems with the dataset



## Approach for Data Processing

# Rate Type

Focus on the rates charged for **entire operations** 

# **Procedure**

Only consider knee and hip replacement surgeries

# Region

Restrict our focus to the state of **Illinois** 

12 Hospitals

55 Insurance Plans

22 Insurance Providers

## Page Rank and Degree Centrality

**Objective** 

Identify most prominent insurance providers in our area

— Most Well Connected —			
Provider	PageRank	Degree Centrality	
Blue Cross	0.558781	209.0	
UnitedHealthcare	0.366083	113.0	
Other	0.364395	54.0	
Cigna	0.337618	92.0	
Humana	0.290281	72.0	

——— Least Well Connected ———		
Provider	PageRank	Degree Centrality
Wellcare	0.156711	3.0
Caterpillar	0.156324	3.0
Ascension	0.153355	2.0
Amita Health	0.153355	2.0
Clear Spring	0.153355	4.0

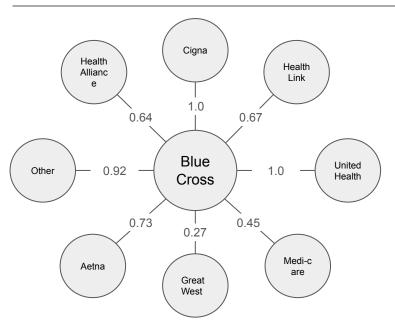
**Key Takeaway** 

Blue Cross is most prominent insurer in the community

## **Node Similarity**

**Objective** 

Better understanding of similarities in price and coverage between insurance providers



### **Pricing Consistency**

Maintaining consistent and predictable rates for standard procedures and operations, across locations and providers

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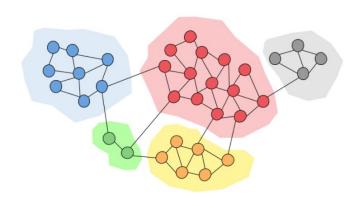
This model ensures prices remain consistent with local hospitals and between similar plans

## Louvain (Community Detection)

#### **Objective**

Identify clusters of similar hospitals and insurances within our graph network

Community	Name	Туре	
12	PRESENCE MERCY MEDICAL CENTER	Hospital	0
12	PRESENCE SAINT JOSEPH HOSPITAL - ELGIN	Hospital	1
12	PRESENCE SAINT JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER	Hospital	2
12	ST MARY & ELIZABETH MED CTR-CLAREMONT CAMPUS	Hospital	3
12	Ascension	Insurance	4
12	Blue Cross	Insurance	5
12	Caterpillar	Insurance	6
12	Cigna	Insurance	7
12	Coventry	Insurance	8
12	Golden Rule/UnitedHealthcare	Insurance	9
12	Great West	Insurance	10
12	Health Alliance	Insurance	11
12	Healthspring	Insurance	12
12	Self Pay	Insurance	13
12	Swedish Covenant	Insurance	14
12	Blue Cross	Insurance	15

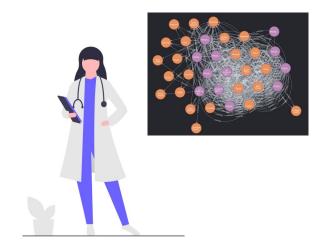


**Key Takeaway** 

Hospitals and insurance providers are grouped in 3 distinct clusters

## Key Takeaways

- PageRank: Blue Cross is the most prominent insurance provider in Illinois, followed by United Healthcare
- Node Similarity: Price variation exists for the same procedures across insurance providers in the state
- Louvain: 3 distinct clusters of hospitals and insurances exist across the state



## Opportunities for Future Research

- Geographic expansion
- Include additional DRG codes
- Incorporate revenue code data
- Augment with secondary datasets

