

On the Ground Validation of Online Diagnosis with Twitter and Medical Records

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ABSTRACT

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1. INTRODUCTION

2. RELATED WORK

3. DATA COLLECTION

3.1 Medical Records

3.2 Twitter Records

4. SIGNAL DETECTION

4.1 Event Based Signals

4.2 Frequency Based Signals

Look at changes in behaviour based on illness. May have signal even if no relevant messaging.

In each user, take months when they did tweet, apply normalization $(val - min)/(max-min)$

Build distributions of months before, during, and after illness. Compare distributions.

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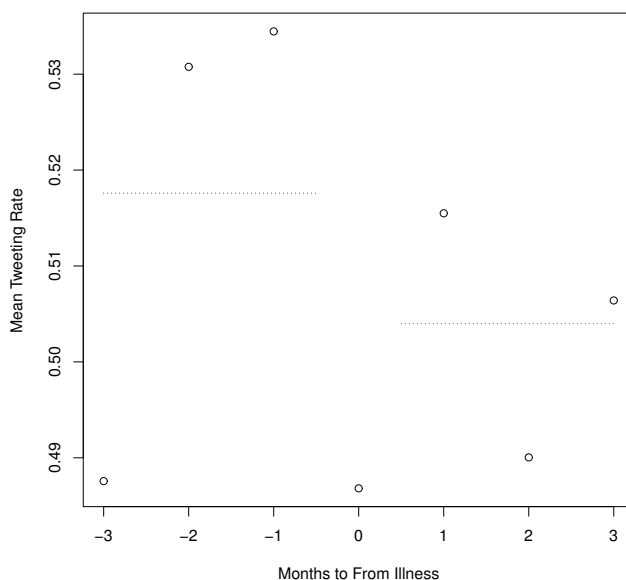


Figure 1: The frequency of tweeting behaviour of individuals in the months before, during and after an illness. Users significantly (check) decrease their rate of tweeting during the time that they had influenza. Dashed lines indicate the mean rate for the three months before / after the illness. (Todo: check significance)

4.3 Network Based Signals

5. ANALYSIS

6. CONCLUSIONS

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