

# Using Social Media Data as Early Warning Signals in Risk Management

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# Problem? Intuition? Goal? Benefit?

$$r_{i,t} = \alpha_{k,t} + \gamma_{k,t} * 1_{If_{news,t-k}} + \beta_{k,t} * Positive_{i,t-k} + \delta_{k,t} * Negative_{i,t-k} + \epsilon_{i,t}$$

RF, SVM, NN

**\*=?**

- Financial
- Bloomberg
- Reuters
- (General)

News

Sentiment

- Negative
- Polarity
- Positive
- Subjectivity

- Price Movement
- Volatility
- Volume

Stock

Risk Management

- Sentiment Strategy

Harvard IV-4 dictionary  
Loughran and McDonald dictionary

$\begin{cases} \rightarrow & \text{if } * \exists \\ X & \text{if } * \nexists \end{cases}$



Is it possible to use financial news(or even general news) to predict the stock movement and import a sentiment strategy by our finding?

1. News is major source of market information
2. Big data era, lots of news,
3. development of NLP
4. Risk management is a hot topic after financial crisis
5. traders using technical analysis
6. everyone wants to make money.

R: return(cross-sectional regression)

1 dummy variable for firm,  $k = \text{lag}$ ,

alpha: no news mean performance,

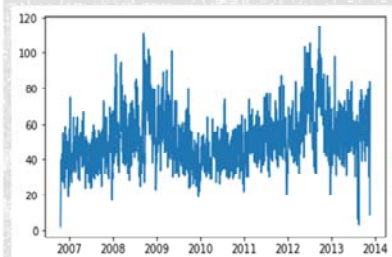
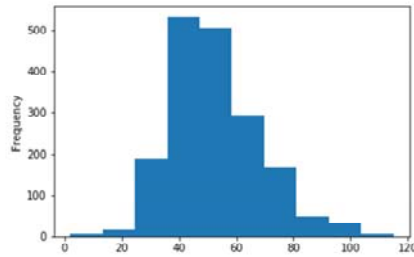
gamma: return premium: company with published news over performance with those not

Transfer each news into a vector and then combine the vector with the same dates  
Binding these vectors to a matrix and use it to predict stock movement

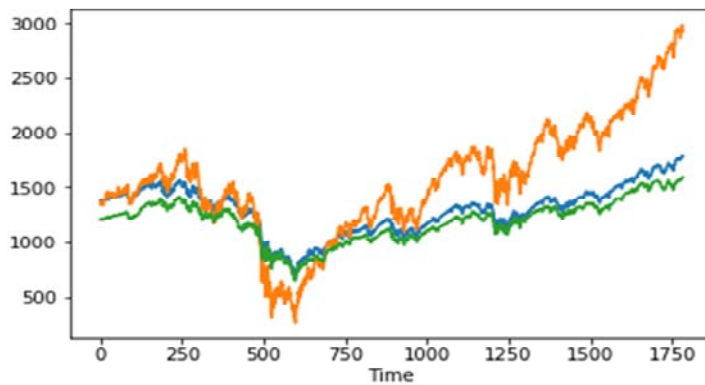
If it works we can import sentiment strategies and even move on general news to see if it works



- Other 446,510 financial news from Bloomberg will be included!



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- High correlation:

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 [ 0.98976869  1.          0.92899241]
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>> Only need to find pattern on one of them!

## Market Index

Standard & Poor's 500  
Dow Jones  
NASDAQ



2006/10/20~2013/11/20  
1784 Trading data

Since the market index stocks have high correlation, so we only need to find the relationship between sentiment scores and one of them.

## Metrics:

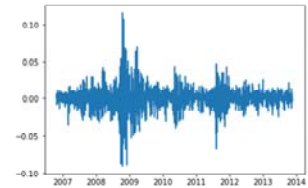
1. Movement
$$\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Close(t) > Close(t-1) \\ -1 & \text{if } Close(t) < Close(t-1) \end{cases}$$
2. Return
$$\frac{Close(t) - Close(t-1)}{Close(t-1)}$$
3. Log Return
$$\log(Close(t)) - \log(Close(t-1))$$
4. Open to Close Return
$$\frac{Close(t) - Open(t)}{Open(t)}$$
5. Volume
6. Volatility
$$High(t) - Low(t)$$

## Stocks

- **Market Index:**
  - Standard & Poor's 500
  - Dow Jones
  - NASDAQ
- **Individual:**
  - Google
  - Walmart
  - Boeing

The open to close return metric is referred from one of the papers. It mentioned that it can remove some season trade and traders' preference. I'll talk the detail part later.

# Returns Metrics



## Return:

- ADF Statistic: -9.774654
- p-value: 0.000000
- Ljung-Box q (LBQ) - lag1
- X-squared = 25.178
- p-value = 5.226e-07

## Log return

- ADF Statistic: -8.938593
- p-value: 0.000000
- Ljung-Box q (LBQ) -lag1
- X-squared = 24.44
- p-value = 7.667e-07

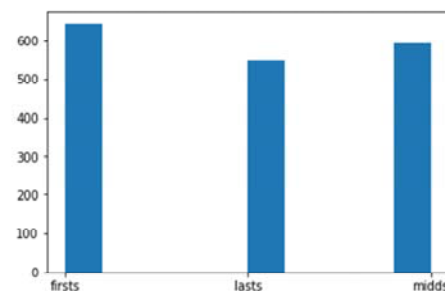
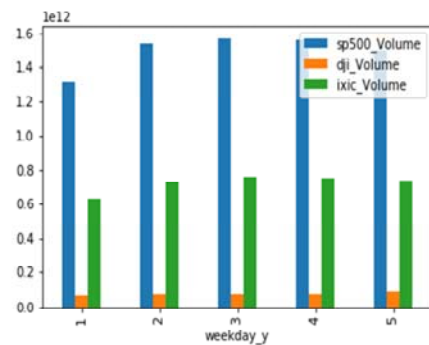
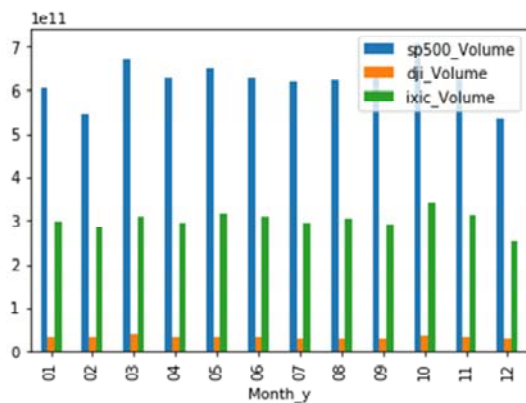
## Open to close return

- ADF Statistic: -10.843454
- p-value: 0.000000
- Ljung-Box q (LBQ) -lag1
- X-squared = 24.045
- p-value = 9.411e-07



All stationary and independent observations

# Volume



Seasonality(busy trading season:

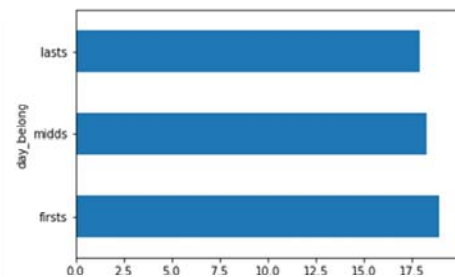
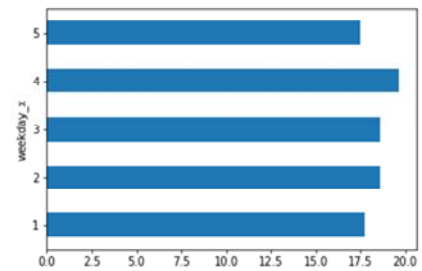
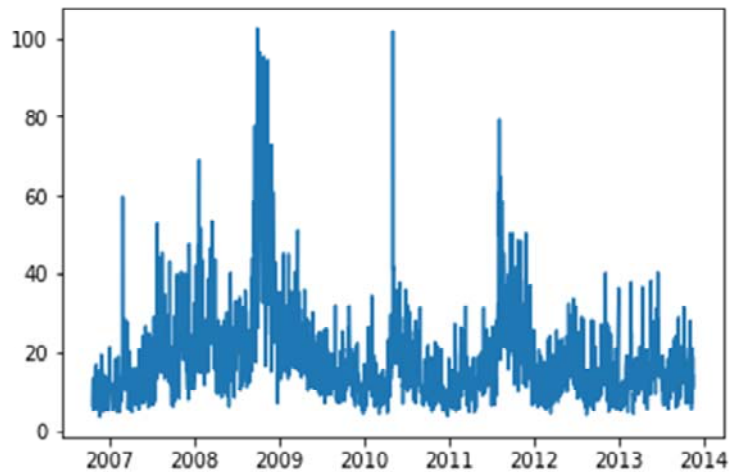
e.g. Sep to may and less during summer,  
more at beginning and end of the week)

Non-trading day gap(more time bring risks-> turn into cash before the gap)

T+0 market mechanism(avoid overnight risk)

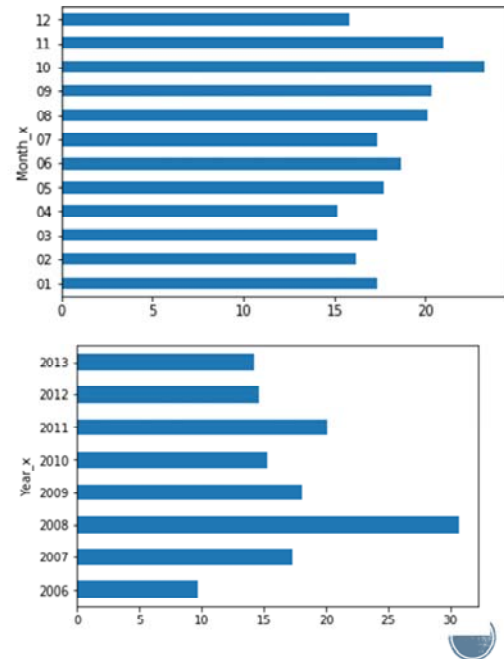
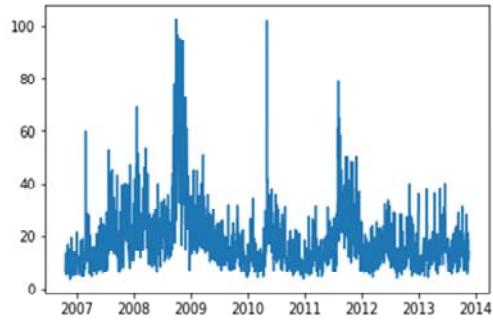


## Volatility -1



Contradict we what mentioned of the HK market, intuitively, the volatility should max on Friday and at the end of the month.

## Volatility -2



Month and weekday preference  
2008 Financial crisis

# Dictionary

Harvard IV-4 categories.

No.	Description
1	Positive vs. negative
2	"Osgood" semantic dimensions
3	Pleasure, pain, virtue and vice
4	Overstatement and understatement
5	Language of a particular "institution"
6	Roles, collectivities, rituals, and forms of interpersonal relations
7	Ascriptive social
8	Places, locations and routes
9	Objects
10	Communicating
11	Motivation-related
12	Process or change
13	Cognitive orientation
14	"I" vs. "we" vs. "you" orientation
15	"Yes", "No", negation and interjections

10,000 words, 182 sentiment dimensions

Loughran-McDonald categories.

No.	Description	No. of words
1	Negative words	2349
2	Positive words	354
3	Uncertainty words	291
4	Litigious words	871
5	Modal words strong	19
6	Modal words weak	27

2012 version, 3,911 words

HIV4: <http://www.wjh.harvard.edu/~inquirer/>

Loughran & McDonald:

[https://www3.nd.edu/~mcdonald/Word\\_Lists.html](https://www3.nd.edu/~mcdonald/Word_Lists.html)



LM recently updated in 2015

Manually build the dictionary, so it's trustful

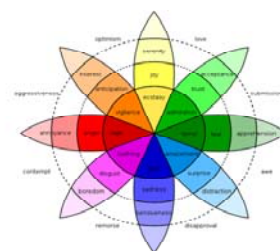
# Sentiment Analysis


According to the Warren Edward Buffett, the stock market could keep climbing for a year or more. It's the right time to buy the stock.

- Harvard IV-4 dictionary
- {'Negative': 0,
- 'Polarity': 0.9999996666667778,
- 'Positive': 3,
- 'Subjectivity': 0.33333329629630043}
- Loughran and McDonald dictionary
- {'Negative': 0,
- 'Polarity': 0.0,
- 'Positive': 0,
- 'Subjectivity': 0.0}

Token:

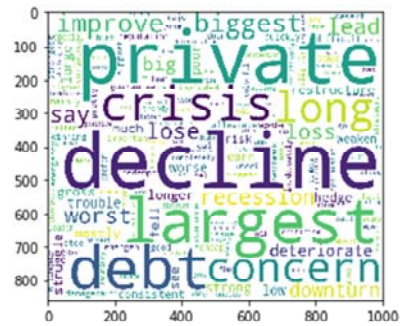
['accord', 'buffett', 'market', 'keep', 'climb', 's', 'right', 'time', 'buy']



Robert Plutchik's "Wheel of Emotions" 

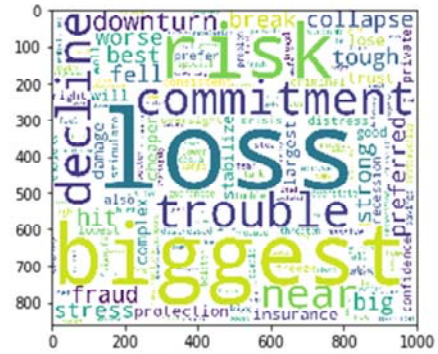
An example of words, the for LM is that it contains less words, so it will be quite unreliable if the words didn't contained in the dictionary. HIV contains more words.

## 2008/11/20 Financial Crisis



Able to capture the general situation of the market

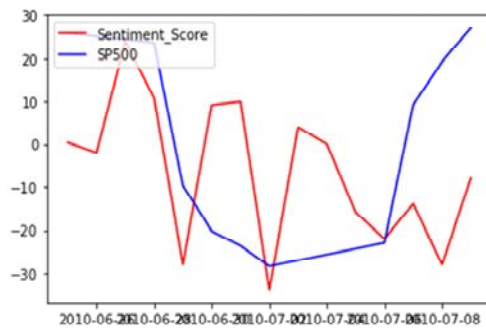
**Lowest DJIA(13-year low- 2009/03/06 )**



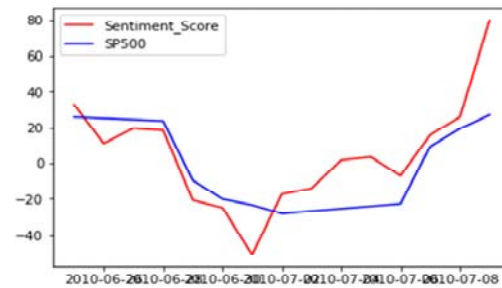
AIG suffers \$62 billion loss, bailout revamped - Mar. 2, 2009

# July 2 2010

683 news



5885 News



More news more accuracy!



# Stationary

▪ Number of News	▪ Sum LM Polarity	▪ SP500 Volatility	▪ SP500 Volume
▪ ADF Statistic: -4.8022	▪ ADF Statistic: -3.6599	▪ ADF Statistic: -5.030	▪ ADF Statistic: -3.369
▪ p-value: 0.000054	▪ p-value: 0.004714	▪ p-value: 0.000019	▪ p-value: 0.012057
▪ Critical Values:	▪ Critical Values:	▪ Critical Values:	▪ Critical Values:
▪ 1%: -3.434	▪ 1%: -3.434	▪ 1%: -3.434	▪ 1%: -3.434
▪ 5%: -2.863	▪ 5%: -2.863	▪ 5%: -2.863	▪ 5%: -2.863
▪ 10%: -2.568	▪ 10%: -2.568	▪ 10%: -2.568	▪ 10%: -2.568



stationarity or trend-stationarity



# Correlation

## Return -HIV4

	Log Return	Open to close	Sum LM Negative	Sum LM Polarity	Sum LM Positive	Sum LM Subjectivity
Log return	100.0%	99.4%	-7.0%	3.0%	-3.0%	-5.7%
Open to close	99.4%	100.0%	-6.3%	2.5%	-2.7%	-5.1%
Sum LM Negative	-7.0%	-6.3%	100.0%	32.2%	95.0%	88.8%
Sum LM Polarity	3.0%	2.5%	32.2%	100.0%	53.9%	62.6%
Sum LM Positive	-3.0%	-2.7%	95.0%	53.9%	100.0%	91.4%
Sum LM Subjectivity	-5.7%	-5.1%	88.8%	62.6%	91.4%	100.0%



# Correlation

## Return -LM

	Log Return	Open to close	Sum LM Negative	Sum LM Polarity	Sum LM Positive	Sum LM Subjectivity
Log return	100.0%	99.4%	-8.7%	10.3%	1.0%	-7.6%
Open to close	99.4%	100.0%	-7.8%	9.2%	1.2%	-6.7%
Sum LM Negative	-8.7%	-7.8%	100.0%	-86.6%	80.0%	92.6%
Sum LM Polarity	10.3%	9.2%	-86.6%	100.0%	-52.8%	-87.5%
Sum LM Positive	1.0%	1.2%	80.0%	-52.8%	100.0%	80.3%
Sum LM Subjectivity	-7.6%	-6.7%	92.6%	-87.5%	80.3%	100.0%



# Correlation

## Volume & Volatility -HIV4

	Count	Sum HIV Negative	Sum HIV Polarity	Sum HIV Positive	Sum HIV Subjectivity	Volume	Volatility
Count	100.0%	83.5%	68.5%	87.3%	98.3%	24.4%	27.4%
Sum HIV Negative	83.5%	100.0%	32.2%	95.0%	88.8%	31.2%	28.2%
Sum HIV Polarity	68.5%	32.2%	100.0%	53.9%	62.6%	1.6%	7.7%
Sum HIV Positive	87.3%	95.0%	53.9%	100.0%	91.4%	26.3%	22.9%
Sum HIV Subjectivity	98.3%	88.8%	62.6%	91.4%	100.0%	30.0%	30.8%
Volume	24.4%	31.2%	1.6%	26.3%	30.0%	100.0%	53.9%
Volatility	27.4%	28.2%	7.7%	22.9%	30.8%	53.9%	100.0%



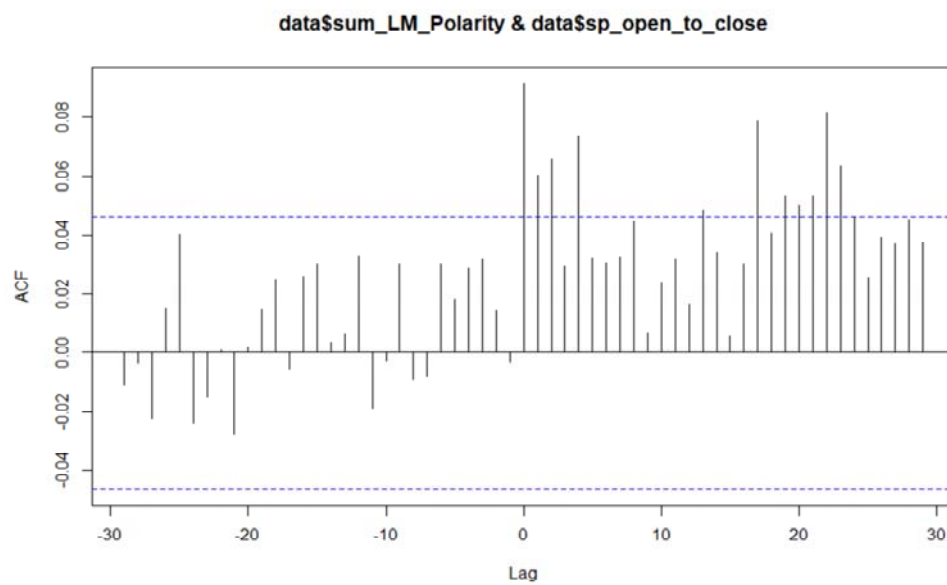
# Correlation

## Volume & Volatility -LM (better)

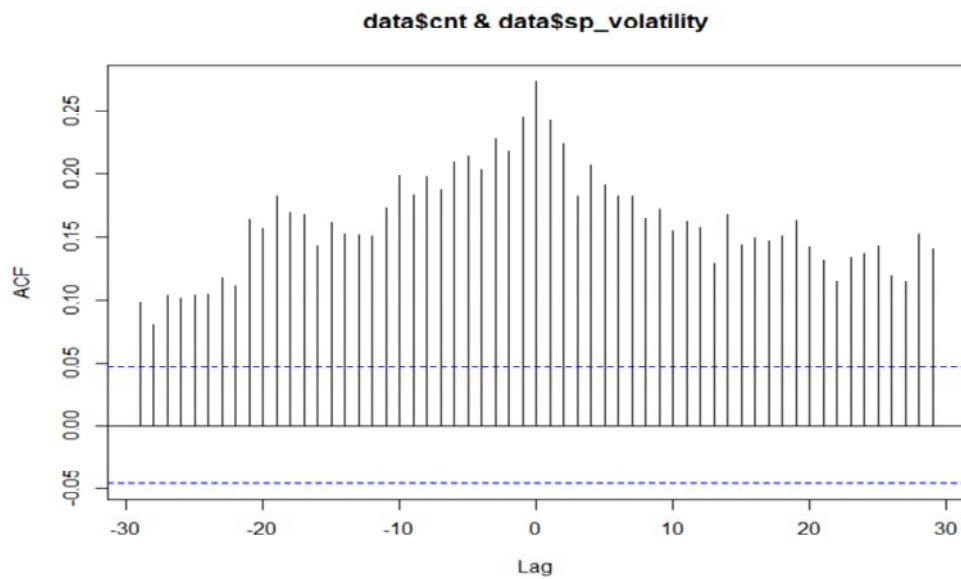
	Count	Sum LM Negative	Sum LM Polarity	Sum LM Positive	Sum LM Subjectivity	Volume	Volatility
Count	100.0%	81.6%	-80.8%	77.9%	93.6%	24.4%	27.4%
Sum LM Negative	81.6%	100.0%	-86.6%	80.0%	92.6%	34.1%	32.4%
Sum LM Polarity	-80.8%	-86.6%	100.0%	-52.8%	-87.5%	-34.6%	-37.0%
Sum LM Positive	77.9%	80.0%	-52.8%	100.0%	80.3%	25.8%	16.5%
Sum LM Subjectivity	93.6%	92.6%	-87.5%	80.3%	100.0%	34.7%	35.0%
Volume	24.4%	34.1%	-34.6%	25.8%	34.7%	100.0%	53.9%
Volatility	27.4%	32.4%	-37.0%	16.5%	35.0%	53.9%	100.0%



# Cross correlation



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# Movement Prediction

1~1781 training  
last 178 testing

## Random Forest

- AUC Train = 0.6919403 (HIV4)
- AUC Test = 0.5546388 (HIV4)

	Down	Up	Error
Down	411	396	0.491
Up	270	704	0.277

- Matthews Correlation Coefficient(MCC) = 1.901302e-09
- AUC Train = 0.6653944 (LM)
- AUC Test = 0.5322895 (LM)

## SVM

0.6847286  
0.5326143

	Down	Up	Error
Down	184	72	0.281
Up	623	902	0.409

2.725109e-09  
0.6720253  
0.5461279

Move ~ day\_belong+ weekday+ HIV\_PN\_diff+ sum\_Positive+ sum\_Polarity+ sum\_Subjectivity+  
sum\_Negative+ var\_Negative+ var\_Positive+ var\_Polarity+ var\_Subjectivity + cnt



## Current Finding

- Sentiment Analysis can capture the key words
- More data(news) will increase the accuracy of sentiment score for prediction
- Different dictionaries have different performance
- Number of news and volatility/volume might exist some relationship
- Sum Polarity may exist some relationship with open to close return
- Using sentiment score with RF/SVM predict the movement better than random guess



Even though LM scores have higher



## Compare with others -Data

- Five years historical Hong Kong Stock Exchange prices and news articles (\*1)
- Thomson Reuters news 2003~2010(900,754 with tags of Positive/Negative)(\*2)
- Google and Yahoo RSS feeds, S&P100(\*3)



1. Financial market are different
2. We have 554,915 articles without tag from 2006/11/20 to 2013/11/20 (7 years )  
(use 106, 520 in the analysis part this time)  
It has better quality and contains tags
3. Sp 100

## Compare with others -Approach

- Harvard psychological dictionary and Loughran-McDonald financial sentiment dictionary, senticnet 0.3 API, RBF kernel SVM, grid search for hyper-parameters(\*1)
- Thomson-Reuters neural network, cross-sectional regression, Category by firms(\*2)
- Stemmed bag-of-words, TFIDF, Hierarchical agglomerative clustering algorithm with Dynamic Time Warping(DTW)/ weighted distance, Recurrent neural network (RNN)- LSTM(\*3)



LSTM- long short term memory

\*1 doubt check the sentiment scores (for ourselves, we can includes more dictionaries or sample partial data to do SA with free online API)

\*3 upward

\*3 DTW: measuring similarity between two temporal sequences. Used to calculates an optimal match between two given sequences (e.g. time series) with certain restrictions.

## Compare with others -Finding

- Sentiment analysis works and has better performance than bag-of-words for individual stocks. Sentiment polarity is not very useful for prediction. HIV and LM has minor difference(\*1)
- Daily news predicts stock returns for only 1 to 2 days. Weekly news predicts stock returns for one quarter(13 weeks). Positive news stories increase stock returns quickly, but negative stories have a long-delayed reaction. Much of the delayed response to news occurs around the subsequent earnings announcement.(\*2)
- Predict Upward movement 77% accuracy(65 minutes futures)(\*3)



even for stocks with only one news event per week, it is important to gauge relative news sentiment by examining news over longer horizon rather than just one day of stories.

# Limitation

- Time consuming for large data set processing(only use 20% of the data and 50% of are still running sentiment analysis)
- More news still required
- More powerful textual analysis methods/tools required
- Hard to find the better dictionaries or expand the current ones
- Too much noise in the news
- Finance market is always changing and evolving



## Next Step

- Include more data from Bloomberg
- Working on individual stocks to see it perform better or not
- Add dictionary-Henry's Financial dictionary (Henry 2008) and mix scores from different dictionaries into the model
- Model improvement(Neural Network, Ensemble Learning)
- Aggregate news by week/month to make better prediction
- Change the grouping criteria and set new benchmarks
- Look up more relevant papers

