Intro to NLP in Medicine: Bag of Words Models

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Lecture Outline

- What is natural language processing?
- What can NLP do?
- What can NLP do in medicine?
- How does it work? (version 1)
- Next time: How does it work (version 2)

WHAT IS NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING?

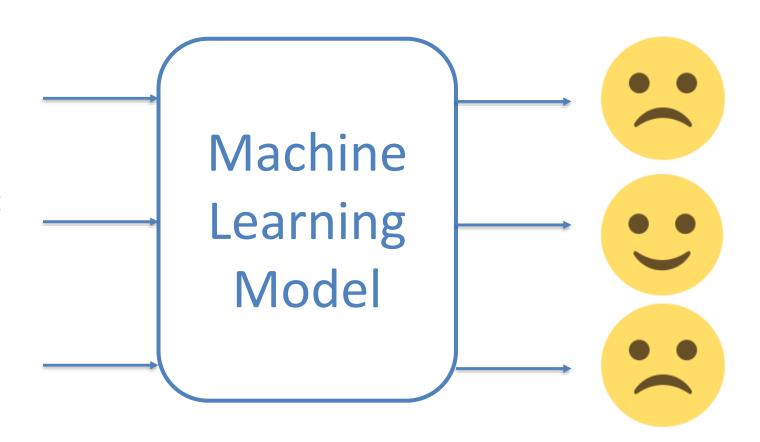


Sentiment Analysis

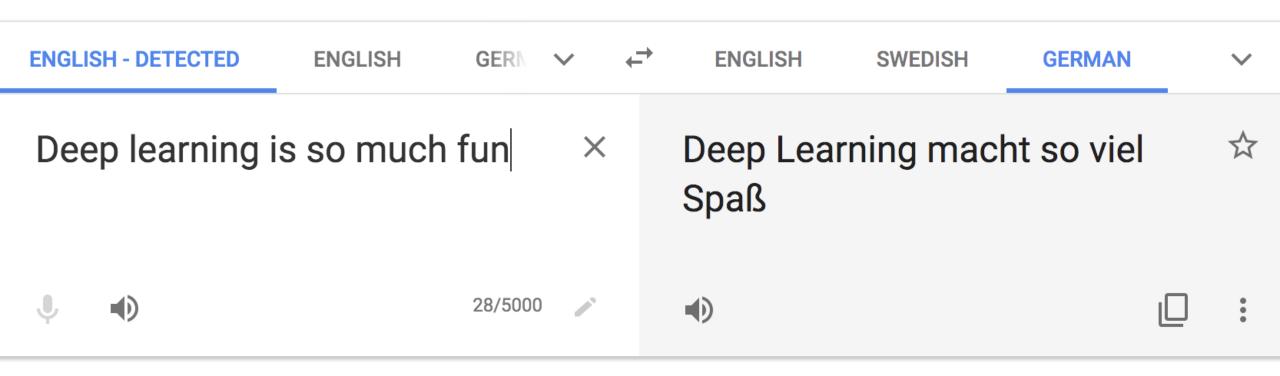
"That movie was terrible!"

"This is the best jacket that I've ever owned"

"Not really that good."



Translation



Send feedback

translate.google.com



Question Answering

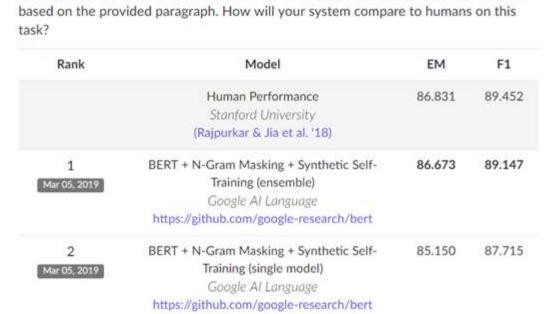
Microorganisms or toxins that successfully enter an organism encounter the cells and mechanisms of the innate immune system. The innate response is usually triggered when microbes are identified by pattern recognition receptors, which

Leaderboard

recognize components that are conserved microorganisms, or when damaged, injustignals, many of which (but not all) are not those that recognize pathogens. Innate immeaning these systems respond to path not confer long-lasting immunity against is the dominant system of host defense

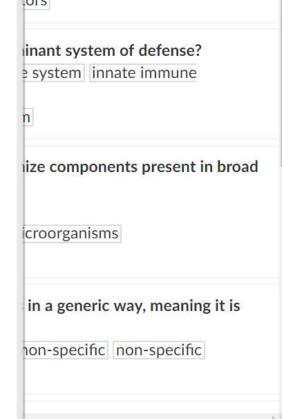
What part of the innate immune system identifies microbes and triggers immune response?

Ground Truth Answers: pattern recognition receptors receptors cells



SQuAD2.0 tests the ability of a system to not only answer reading comprehension

questions, but also abstain when presented with a question that cannot be answered



Text Generation

SYSTEM PROMPT (HUMAN-WRITTEN)

A train carriage containing controlled nuclear materials was stolen in Cincinnati today. Its whereabouts are unknown.

"Better Language Models and Their Implications" 2/14/19 OPENAI

MODEL COMPLETION (MACHINE-WRITTEN, FIRST TRY)

The incident occurred on the downtown train line, which runs from Covington and Ashland stations.

In an email to Ohio news outlets, the U.S. Department of Energy said it is working with the Federal Railroad Administration to find the thief.

"The theft of this nuclear material will have significant negative consequences on public and environmental health, our workforce and the economy of our nation," said Tom Hicks, the U.S. Energy Secretary, in a statement. "Our top priority is to secure the theft and ensure it doesn't happen again."

The stolen material was taken from the University of Cincinnati's Research Triangle Park nuclear research site, according to a news release from Department officials. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission did not immediately release any information.

According to the release, the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Security is leading that team's investigation.

"The safety of people, the environment and the nation's nuclear stockpile is our highest priority," Hicks said. "We will get to the bottom of this and make no excuses.



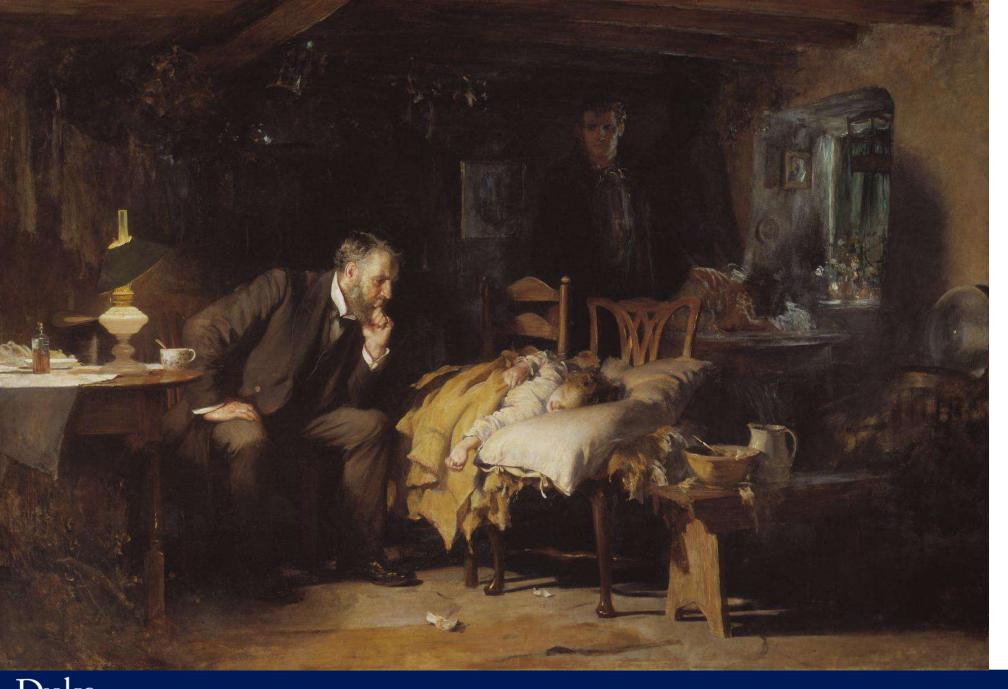
NLP IS CENTRAL TO AI-ASSISTED MEDICINE



Reducing Burden and Restoring Patient-Provider Interaction

The Burnout Crisis in American Medicine Rena Xu The Atlantic May 11, 2018

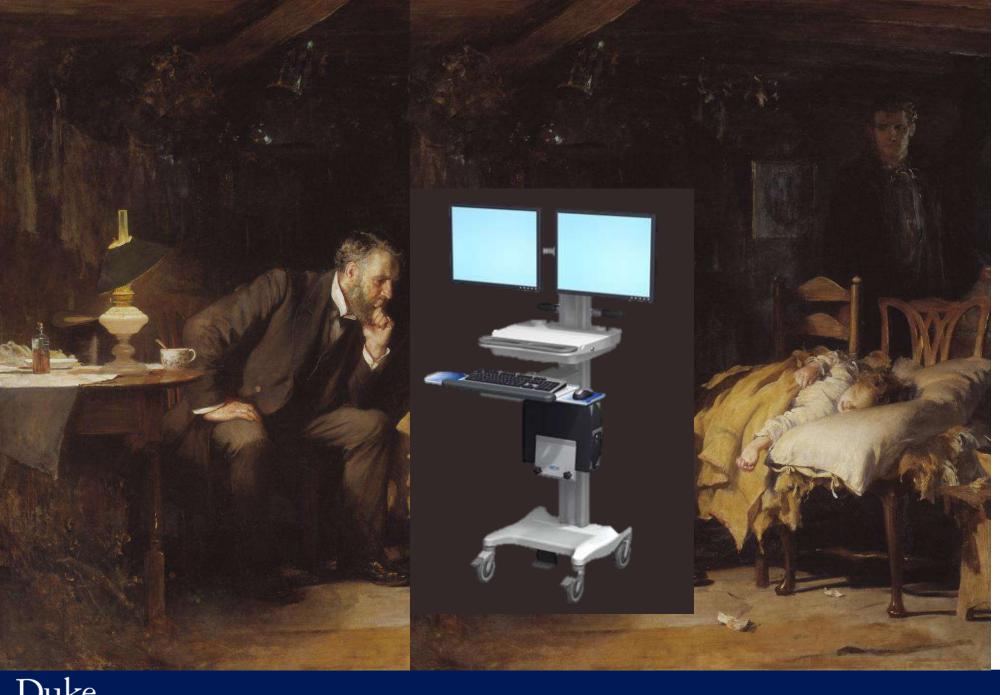




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(Luke Fildes, 1891)

Inspired by MLHC keynote by Abraham Verghese, MD, MACP, Stanford University



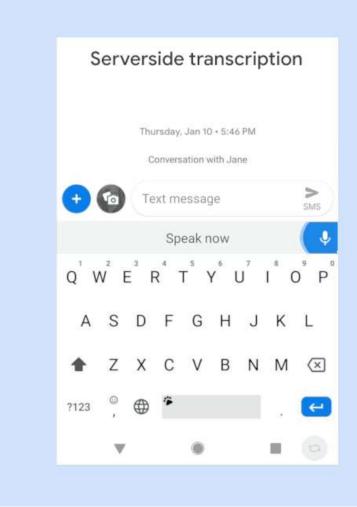
The Doctor, circa 2018

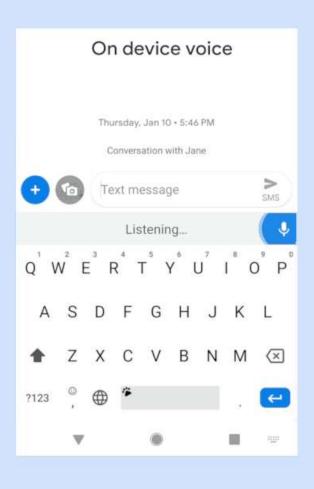
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The Doctor, circa 2030

Speech Processing is Largely Solved





https://ai.googleblog.com/2019/03/an-all-neural-on-device-speech.html

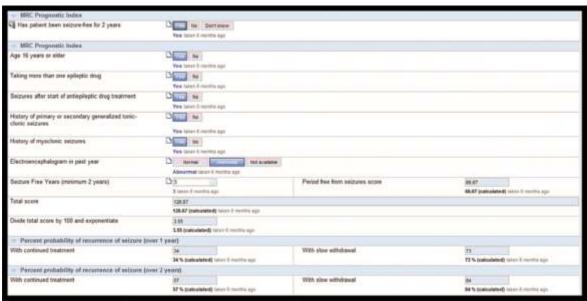


The Doctor, circa 2030

Use NLP to:

Populate
standardized
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fields

Populating Standardized Forms



Narayanan et al, Epilepsia (2017)



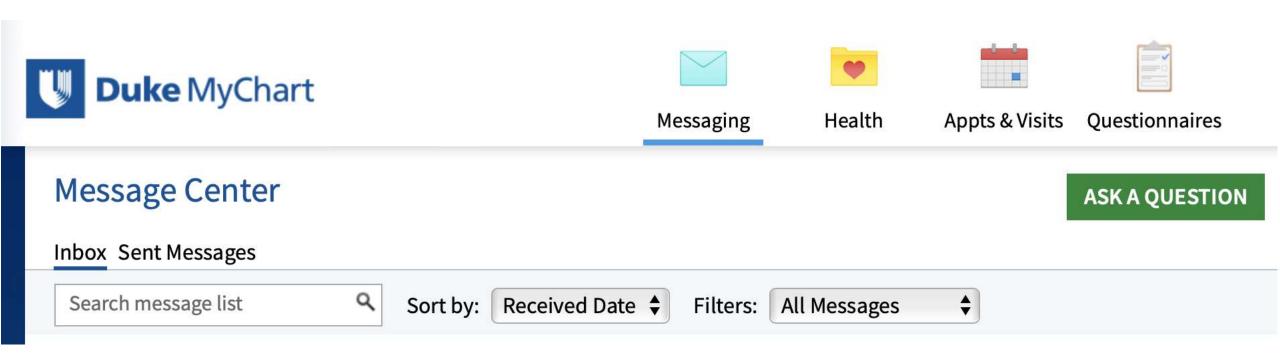


The Doctor, circa 2030

Use NLP to:

- Populate standardized notes and fields
- Answer new questions from transcripts as needed

Suggested Email Responses

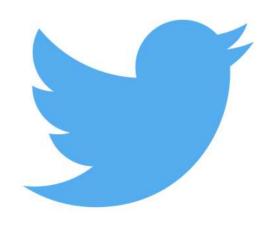


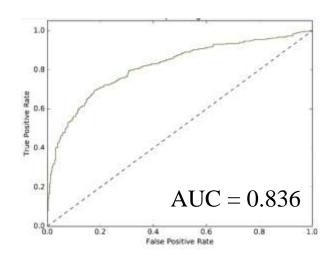


OUR FOCUS: CLASSIFICATION



Mental Health via Social Media





Guntuku, Sharath Chandra, et al. "Language of ADHD in Adults on Social Media." *Journal of attention disorders* (2017): 1087054717738083.

Binary Classification: ADHD or not ADHD

Mental Health via Social Media





De Choudhury, Munmun, et al. "Discovering shifts to suicidal ideation from mental health content in social media." *Proceedings of the 2016 CHI conference on human factors in computing systems.* ACM, 2016.

Binary Classification: Suicidal Ideation? (Yes/No)

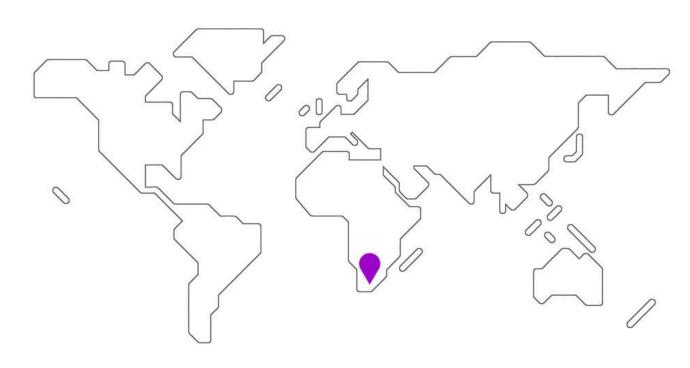


Global Maternal Health

Maternal Health HelpDesk:

2 million women connected to NDoH staff via SMS





https://www.praekelt.org

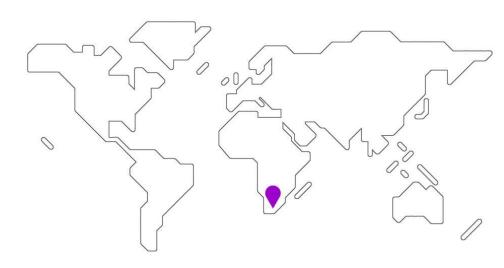
Binary Classification: Urgent Message? (Yes/No)

HOW DOES THIS FIT IN OUR PREVIOUS FRAMEWORK?



Text Classification

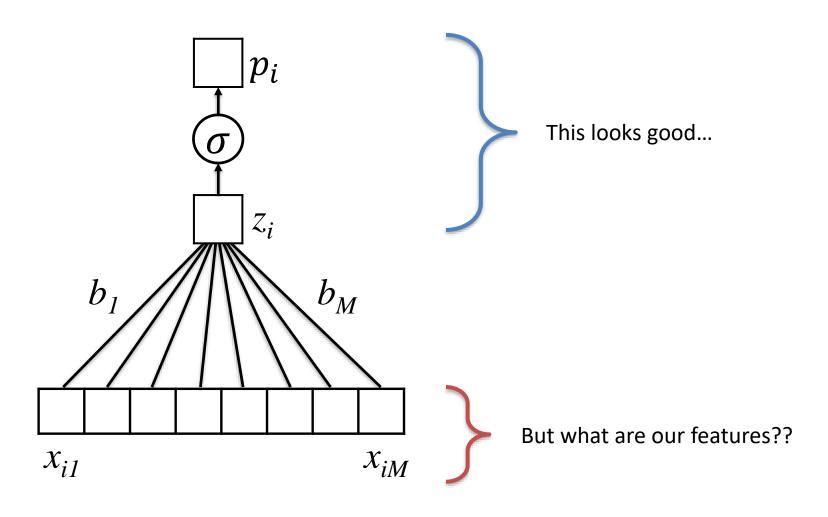




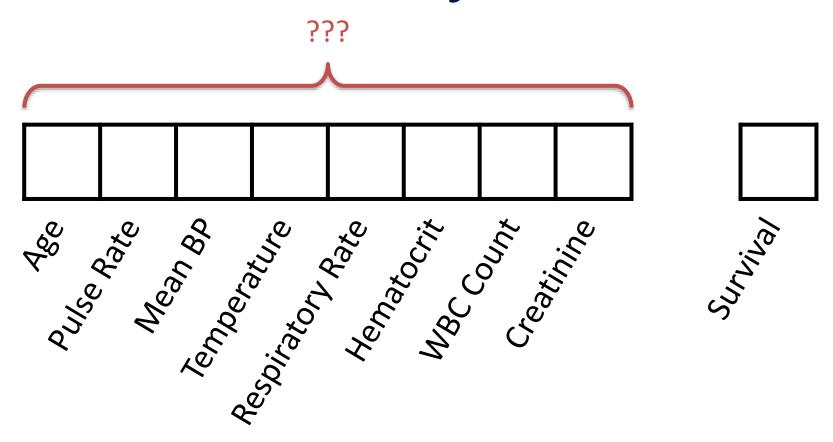
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Can we use logistic regression to solve this problem?

How can we use logistic regression for text classification?



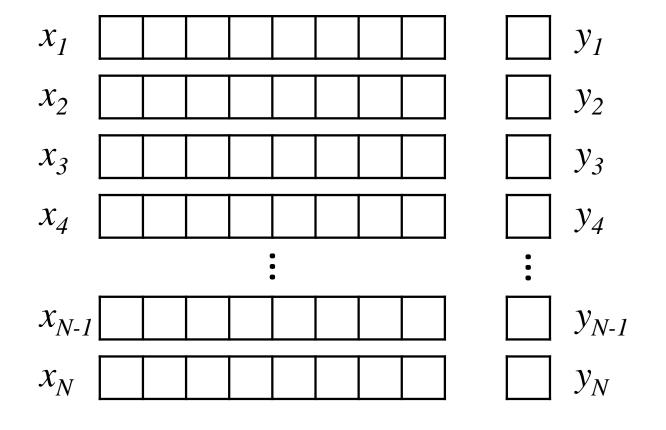
ICU Mortality: APACHE III



End goal: predict odds of hospital mortality



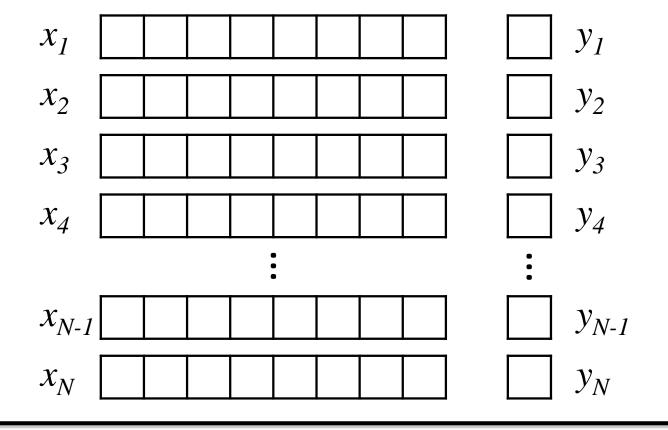
Training Set (Historical Data)



Find an equation that predicts y based on x across the training set

We'll begin by supposing y is binary (i.e. $y \in \{0, 1\}$)

Making Predictions for New x



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$$\mathcal{X}_{N+1}$$

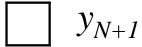
$$\bigcup y_{N+1}$$

<- Learn to predict new *y*

This time, our training data is text

x_1	What helps with morning sickness?	$\bigcup y_1$	
x_2	How many months should I breastfeed?	$\bigcup y_2$	
x_3	I passed out and Mom said I was shaking	y_3	y_i : Urgent or Not Urgent?
\mathcal{X}_{4}	Where is the nearest clinic?	\bigcup y_4	Not Orgent.
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x_{N-1}	I am having heavy bleeding, what should I do?	$\bigcup y_{N-1}$	
\mathcal{X}_N	What foods should I eat while pregnant?	$\bigcup y_N$	

 x_{N+1} My heart is racing and I can't catch my breath



 y_{N+1} <- Learn to predict new y

We need numbers, not words

 Can we convert our text to a vector or sequence of numbers?

 If yes, we can start using our previous methodology!

First try: count words in each SMS Step 1: Define a vocabulary of words

 x_1 What helps with morning sickness? x_2 How many months should I breastfeed? x_3 I passed out and Mom said I was shaking x_4 Where is the nearest clinic?

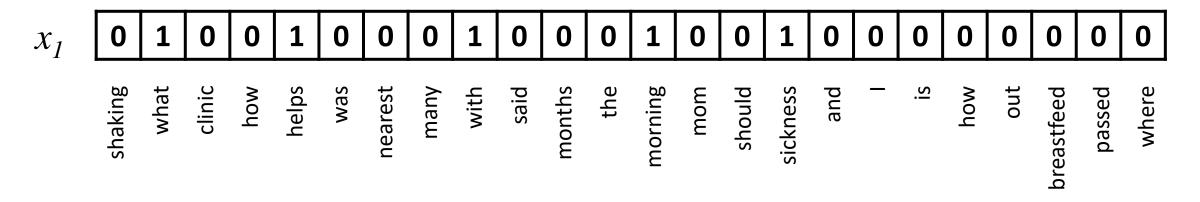
list of all words (in no particular order) shaking
what
clinic
how
helps
was
nearest
many

with
said
months
the
morning
mom
should
sickness

and
I
is
how
out
breastfeed
passed
where

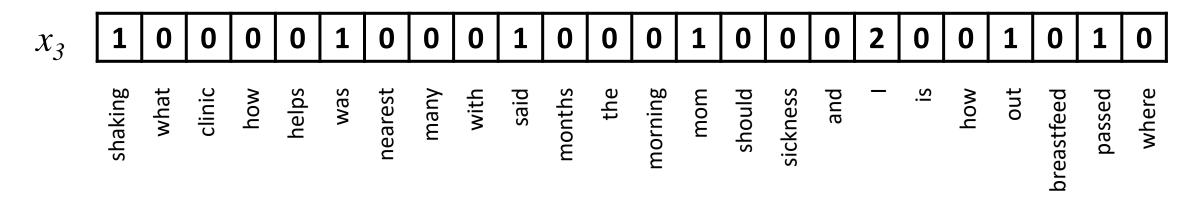
Step 2: count how many times each vocabulary word appears in a given SMS

What helps with morning sickness?



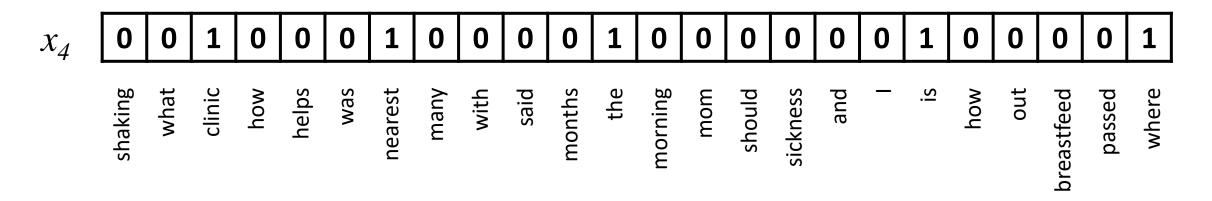
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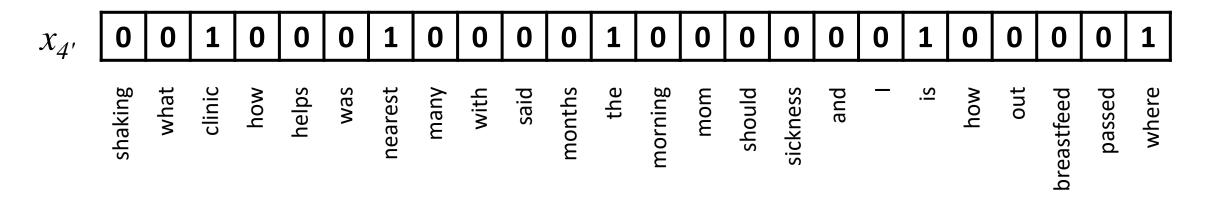
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Where is the nearest clinic?



Note that word order does not matter!

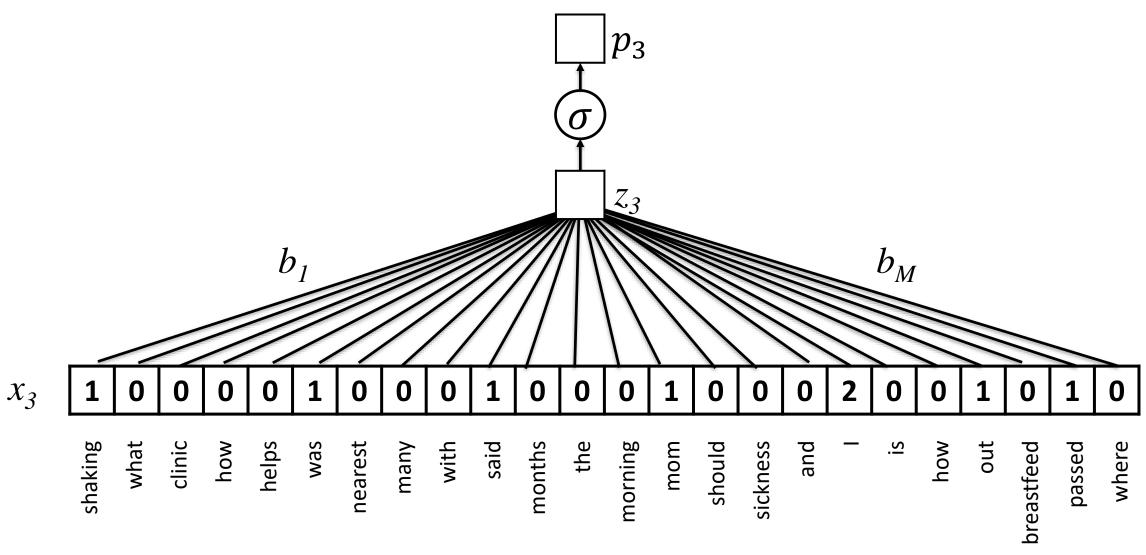
clinic is where nearest the



A "bag of words"

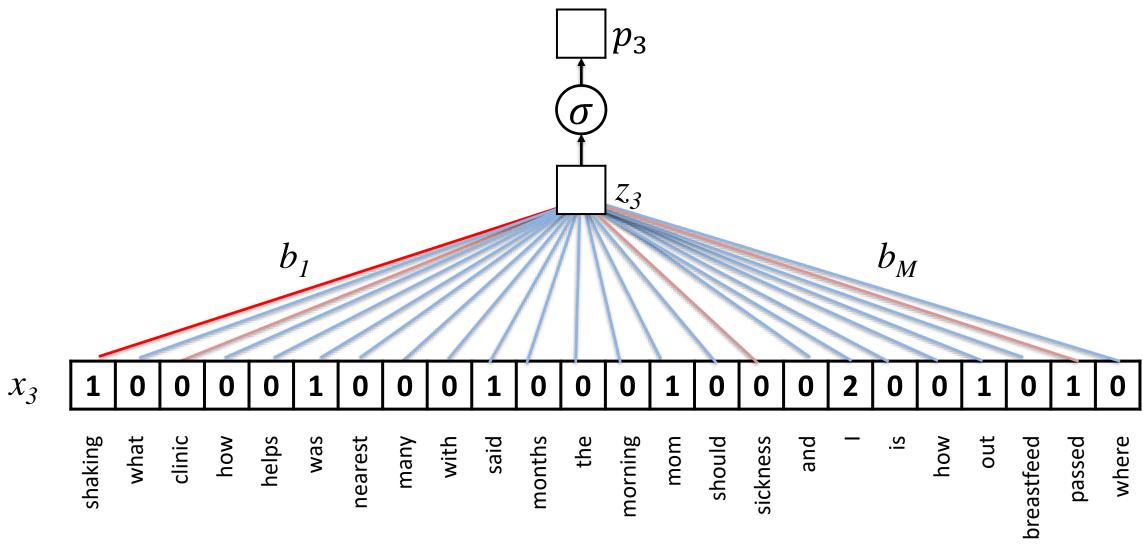


Logistic Regression for Text Classification



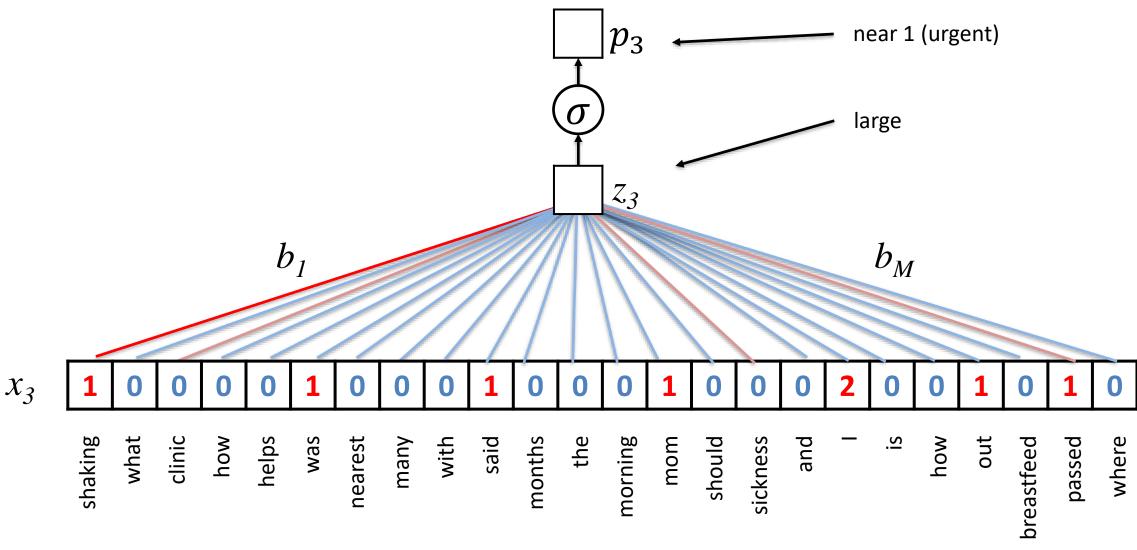
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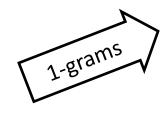


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Strengths and Weaknesses

- (+) This approach is simple and works surprisingly well in practice
- (+) Often the best approach with small datasets
- (-) Does not capture word order
- (-) Does not group synonyms together or understand semantic relationships between words

2nd try: count 1- and 2-grams in each SMS (i.e. extend vocabulary to include 2-word phrases)



shaking	was
what	nearest
clinic	many
how	with
helps	said

months sickness the and morning I mom is should how

out breastfeed passed where

x_1	What helps with morning sickness?
x_2	How many months should I breastfeed?
x_3	I passed out and Mom said I was shaking
<i>x</i> ₄	Where is the nearest clinic? 2-grams

what helps
helps with
with morning
morning sickness
how many
many months
months should
should I

I breastfeed
L passed
passed out
out and
and mom
mom said
said I
I was

was shaking where is is the the nearest clinic

n-grams can be very helpful!

I am not sick and feel great

I am not great and feel sick

Bag of 1-grams: no difference between these sentences

n-grams can be very helpful!

I am not sick and feel great

I am not great and feel sick

Bag of 1- and 2-grams:

not sick, feel great

versus

not great, feel sick

3rd try: more powerful methods to work with...

• (a) word <u>meaning</u>: assign words to vectors that encode their meaning numerically

• (b) words in <u>context</u>: neural network architectures that act on <u>sequences</u> of words (rather than a bag of words)

More on this next lecture

Bag of Words

MISCELLANEOUS TEXT PROCESSING DETAILS



Variations on counting: term frequency

term count: 'times'

2

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way—in short, the period was so far like the present period, that some of its noisiest authorities insisted on its being received, for good or for evil, in the superlative degree of comparison only."

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"And the first one now Will later be last For the times they are a-changin'."

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-> better measure of the importance of the term within a given text sample

Variations on counting: inverse document frequency

2/2

document frequency: 'times'



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Variations on counting: inverse document frequency

1/2

document frequency: 'evil'



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term frequency-inverse document frequency (tf-idf)

- What helps with morning sickness?
- How many months should I breastfeed?
- I passed out and Mom said I was shaking
- Where is the nearest clinic?
- I am having heavy bleeding, what should I do?
- What foods should I eat while pregnant?
- My heart is racing and I can't catch my breath

term frequency document frequency

for 'shaking'

$$\frac{1/9}{1/7} = .78$$

term frequency for 'I

$$\frac{2/9}{5/7} = .31$$

Preprocessing

remove punctuation

to lowercase

"tokenization"

"stemming"

I passed out, and Mom said I was shaking.

I passed out and Mom said I was shaking

i passed out and mom said i was shaking

[i, passed, out, and, mom, said, i, was, shaking]

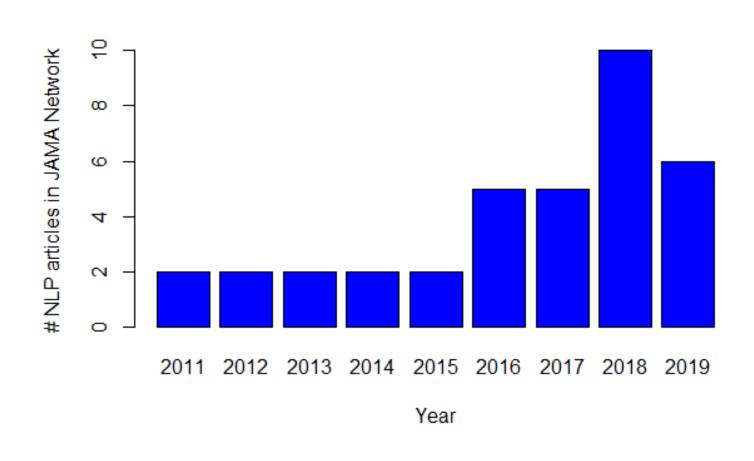
[i, pass, out, and, mom, said, i, wa, shake]

(mostly bag of words)

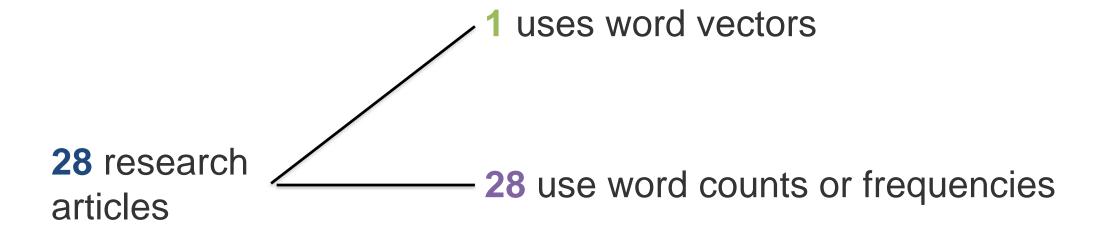
NLP IN MEDICINE SO FAR



A Survey of NLP in JAMA...



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 The majority of these search only for a limited number of keywords or expressions

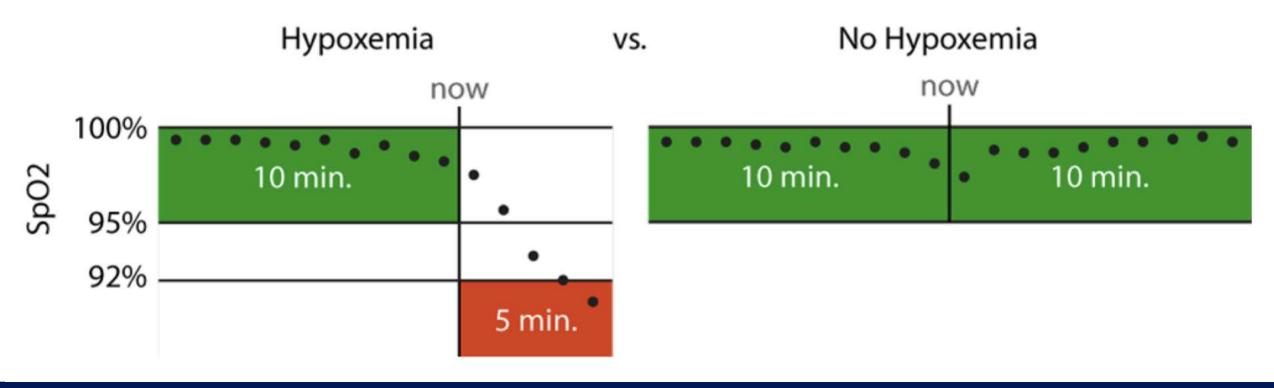
A Survey of NLP in JAMA...

4 utilize EHR text features in predictive models (e.g. mortality) 28 research 20 identify specific diagnoses or medical events from the EHR articles 4 identify other care-related information in the EHR • interpret words in context

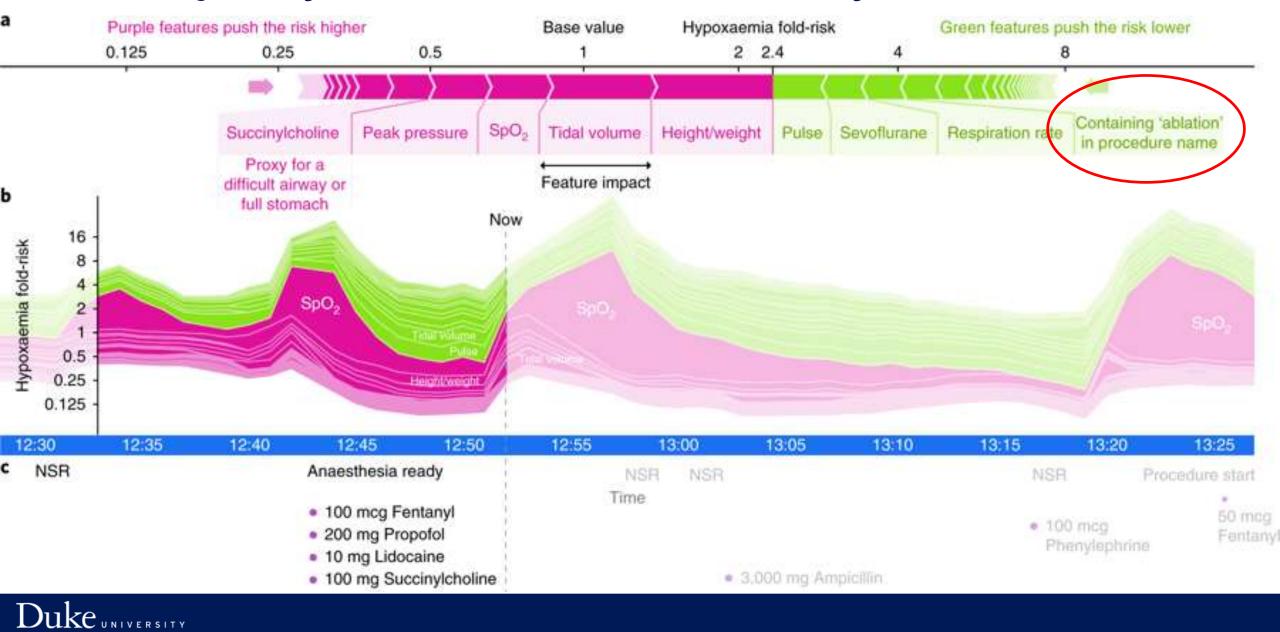
Hypoxemia Prediction during Surgery

Real-time Prediction Task:

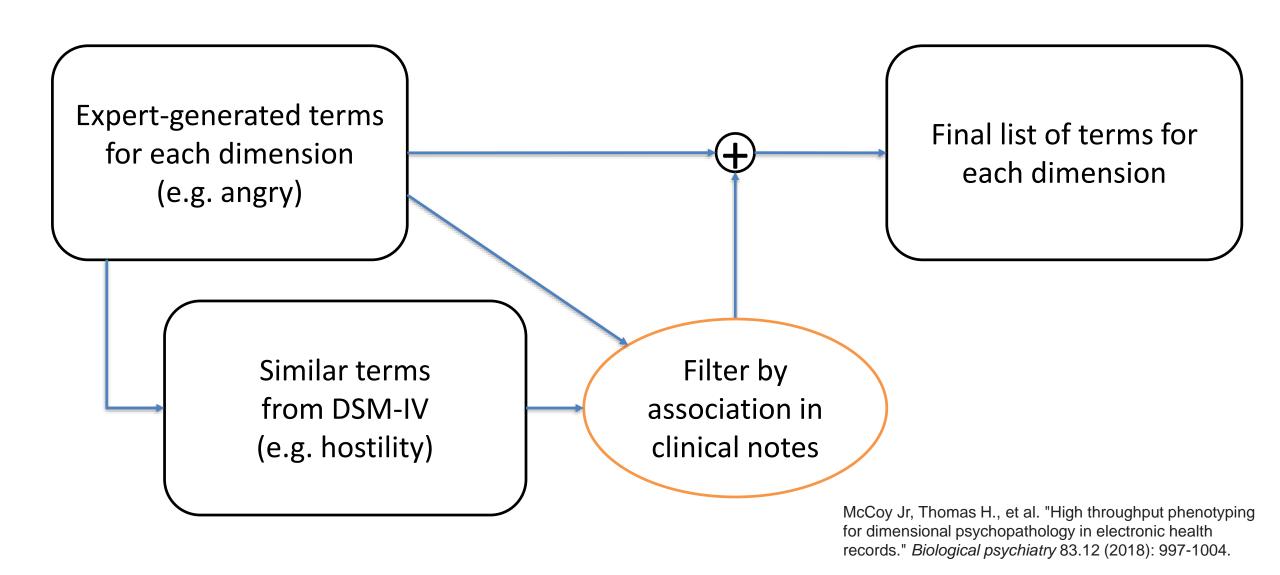
- hypoxemia (yes/no) in the next 5 minutes
- based on data from the Anesthesia Information Management System
- static features + real-time features collected up to that time point



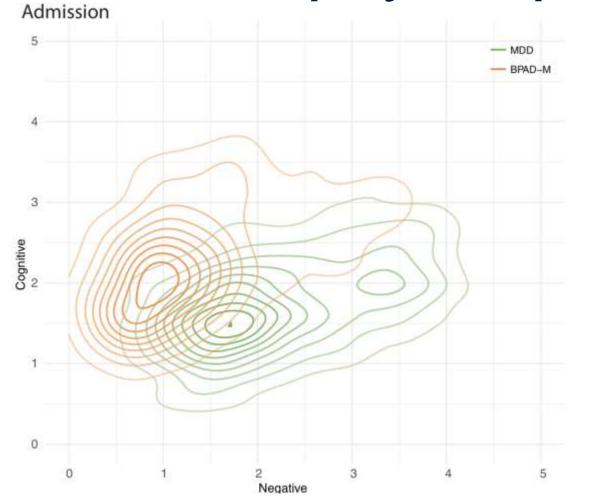
A majority of features are keyword counts



Scoring Dimensional Psychopathology



Trends in psychopathology during stay



McCoy Jr, Thomas H., et al. "High throughput phenotyping for dimensional psychopathology in electronic health records." *Biological psychiatry* 83.12 (2018): 997-1004.

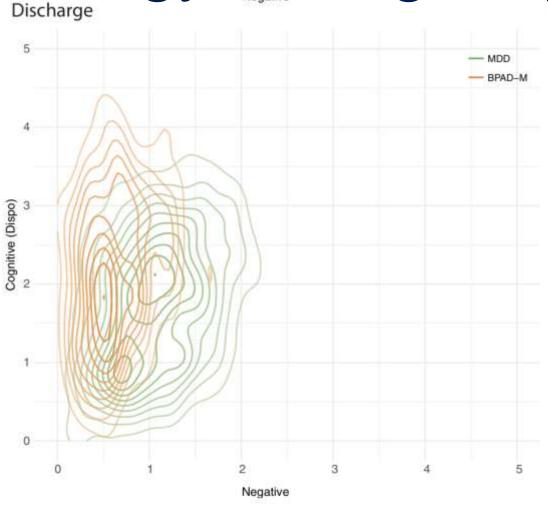


Figure 1. Domain comparison contour plots showing change between admission (top) and discharge (bottom). BPAD-M, bipolar disorder–mania; MDD, major depressive disorder.

Conclusions

- NLP is approaching human performance on benchmark tasks like question answering
- Text data are central to clinical medicine, so the potential for NLP impact is high
- We can use word counts to turn text samples into vectors that we already know how to work with
- The techniques we have discussed already go beyond the majority of "NLP" found in the medical literature

