

Project:

Text Analysis and Stock Price Response

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This project focuses on companies' stock price responses and whether information gained from announcement texts help explain these responses. At the center are announcements on companies' merger and acquisition (M&A) transactions.

The following steps describe the data work and tasks you have in front of you to finalize your analysis.

1. Stock price response
 - a. collect stock prices of the acquiring or acquired companies and country indices from Refinitiv
 - b. implement a risk-adjusted market model
 - c. calculate abnormal and cumulative abnormal returns
 - d. motive your event date and event window
2. Text analysis: Use the text on M&A and
 - a. load the dataset into a dataframe and apply text preprocessing and cleaning methods
 - b. use the preprocessed text and apply feature engineering methods to convert it into standardized vector inputs
 - c. apply information extraction methods on the text and extract information from the text (e.g., sentiment, emotion, named entities, topics, etc.)

Note: In order to merge your text data with stock price information, please keep the date and the deal ID together with your text indicators.

3. Combine text and price responses, and
 - a. build a multiple regression model to test whether text information has an effect; select controls in line with the literature
 - b. test, whether your model is adequately specified
 - i. Are the model assumptions met?
 - ii. Do the variables considered in your model cause a multicollinearity problem?
 - c. interpret the outcome of your model