# **BC Stats Proposal**

Text Analytics: Quantifying the Responses to Open-Ended Survey Questions

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## Introduction



#### Work Environment Survey (WES)

- Survey conducted by BC Stats for employees of BC Public Service.
- · Measures the health of the work environments.
- 80 multiple choice questions (5 point scale) and
  2 open-ended questions.
- · 2013, 2015, 2018, and 2020 across 26 Ministries.

## Introduction

Open-ended Questions

Question 1

What one thing would you like your organization to focus on to improve your work environment?

Question 2

Have you seen any improvements in your work environment and if so, what are the improvements?

# Objectives

#### Overarching goal:

Use automated multi-label theme classification of comments to themes and subthemes.

#### **Question 1**

- Improve accuracy for predicting label(s) for main themes respective of previous capstone project results.
- Build a model for predicting label(s) for sub-themes.
- · Scalability: Identify trends across ministries and over the four specified years.

#### Question 2

- Identify labels for theme classification and compare with existing labels.
- · Create visualizations for executives to explore the results.

#### Question 1

#### Data

Labeled data from 2013, 2018, 2020. Added to around 32,000 respondents.

#### **Dataset format**

Responses for this question are captured and labeled (theme and sub-theme) by hand:

Comments*	CPD	СВ	EWC	 CB_Improve_benefits	CB_Increase_salary
Better health and social benefits should be provided	0	1	0	 1	0

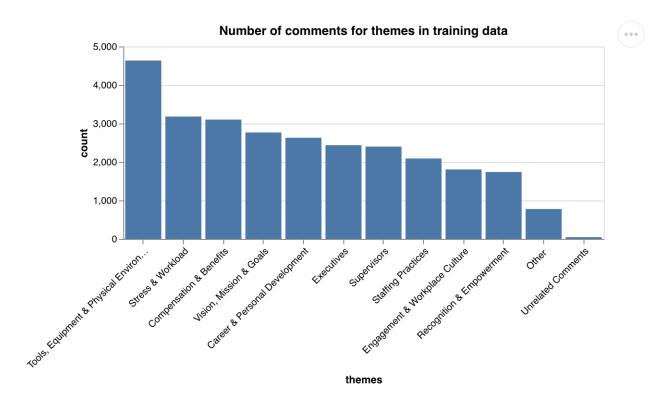
**Theme**: CB = Compensation and Benefits

**Sub-theme**: CB\_Improve\_benefits = Improve benefits

<sup>\*</sup>Note: this is a fake comment as an example of the data.

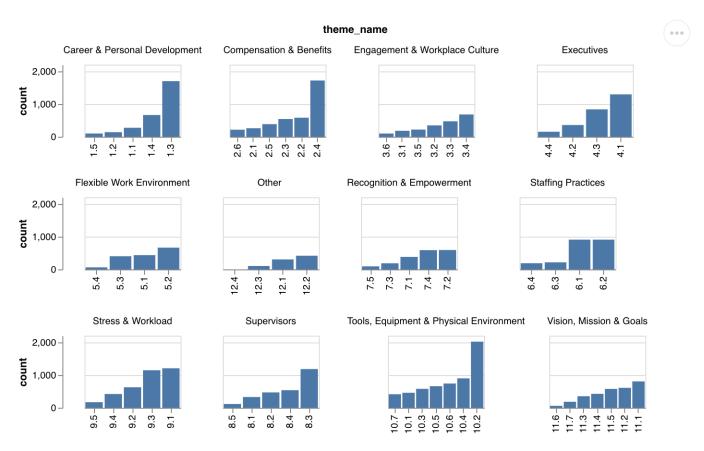
## Question 1

Labels: 13 themes and 63 sub-themes.



Label cardinality for themes: ~1.4

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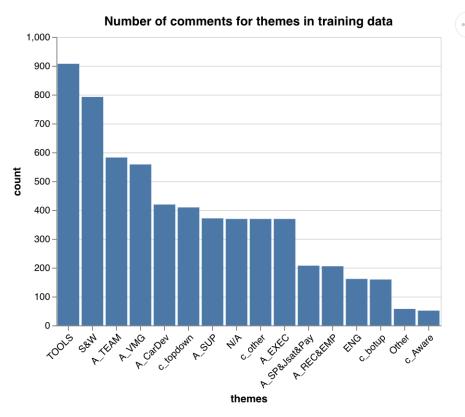


Label cardinality for sub-themes: ~1.6

## Question 2

#### Data

- · Labeled data from 2018 (around 6,000 respondents).
- · Unlabeled data from 2015 and 2020 (9,000 additional comments).



Labels for 2018: 6 themes and 16 sub-themes

Label cardinality: ~1.6

# Challenges

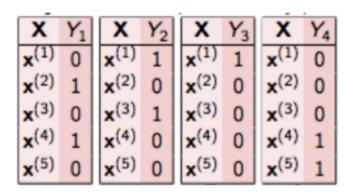
- · Achieve desired accuracy with Multi-label classification model having high number of labels.
- · Class Imbalance in the data
  - skeweness in number of comments per label.
- · Low label cardinality indicating sparsity in training data
  - ~2 labels per comment from ~60 labels.

# Techniques

## Question 1

Binary Relevance - Base Model from last year's Captsone

X	$Y_1$	$Y_2$	$Y_3$	$Y_4$
<b>x</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	0	1	1	0
$x^{(2)}$	1	0	0	0
<b>x</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	0	1	0	0
x <sup>(4)</sup>	1	0	0	1
<b>x</b> <sup>(5)</sup>	0	0	0	1



*Source* - Multi-Label Classification: Binary Relevance, by Analytics Vidhya (https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2017/08/introduction-to-multi-label-classification/)

# Techniques

## Question 1

Classifier Chains - Proposed Base Model

X	y1	y2	у3	y4
<b>x1</b>	0	1	1	0
<b>x2</b>	1	0	0	0
<b>x3</b>	0	1	0	0

X	у1		X	у1	y2	X	у1	y2	y3	X	y1	y2	у3	y4
x1	0		x1	0	1	x1	0	1	1	<b>x1</b>	0	1	1	0
<b>x2</b>	1		x2	1	0	x2	1	0	0	<b>x2</b>	1	0	0	0
х3	0		х3	0	1	х3	0	1	0	<b>x</b> 3	0	1	0	0
Clas	ssifier	1	Clas	ssifier	2	Classifier 3			Classifier 4					

· Multi-Label Classification using TF-IDF Vectorizer with Classifier Chain.

*Source* - Multi-Label Classification: Classifier Chains, by Analytics Vidhya (https://www.analyticsvidhya.com/blog/2017/08/introduction-to-multi-label-classification/)

# Techniques

## Question 2

#### Theme Identifications

Use clustering algorithms like PCA and Topic Modelling

#### Scalability

- Descriptive Statistics using Matplotlib, Altair and Plotly
  - Identify trends over the years
  - Identify trends across Ministries

# Deliverables

- · Data pipeline with the documentation for our models
- · Dash app that displays the trends across ministries for both the qualitative questions

# Timeline

