



On the Construction and Analysis of Financial Time-Series-Oriented Lexicons

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Introduction



The Newspaper of Corporate Finance

Financial Week

CFO turnover hits a record high
Average tenure for half of top companies plunges to 18 months, less than three years in some cases.

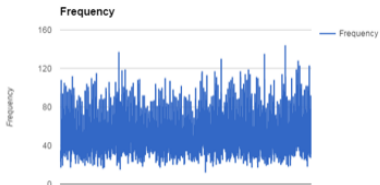
Banking firms' earnings
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2004 ELECTIONS
PRESIDENT AFL-CIO JOHN SWEENEY

Big Labor has one big hope (and \$385 million to sell it)
AFL-CIO's \$385 million sale will set a new record for union asset liquidation.

Banks pounce on weak borrowers

Health insurers
Ready to operational accounting rules?





- Text analytics refers to the process of deriving high-quality information from textual information.
- Widely applied to many fields:
 - Biomedicine
 - Finance
 - Social science
- Usage of textual analysis in Finance
 - News articles¹
 - Financial reports²
 - User tweets about publicly-traded companies³

¹Robert and Chen (2009), TOIS

²Wang and Tsai (2013), ECIR

³Yuexin et.al. (2013), SNAKDD



- Sentiment lexicon is a very important resource and can be various in different fields.
- First sentiment lexicon in finance is proposed by Loughran and McDonald (2011) in *Journal of Finance*.
- This lexicon has been widely used in several financial problems.
 - Financial risk prediction¹
 - Stock movement prediction

¹Wang and Tsai (2013), ECIR



- However, the financial sentiment lexicon has the following limitations.
 - 1 The lexicon is constructed via only the 10-K financial reports.
 - The wording is formal.
 - Words used in different sources cannot be recognized.
→ E.g., news articles and social networks
 - 2 The lexicon has no explicit link with the targets of prediction problems.
 - May cause the difficulty in analyzing the obtained prediction models.



- We propose a novel framework to build a time-series-oriented lexicon.
 - Cover different types of sources
 - Have explicit links with the targets of prediction problems
 - Help us build a lexicon to capture more target-oriented information



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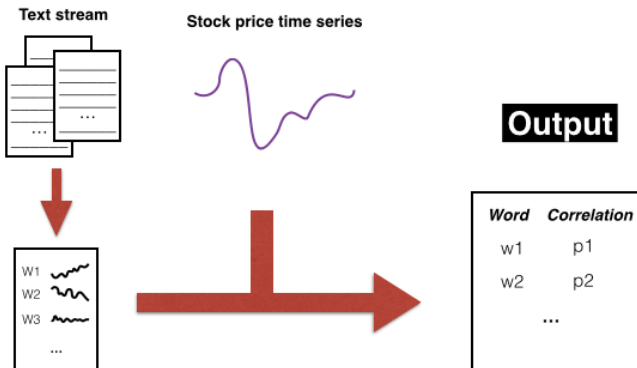
**Input**

Figure : Framework



Text stream

- 1 The text stream: *The New York Times Annotated Corpus*¹ (from 1/1/2004 to 12/31/2006)
- 2 Use Lemur to index the text stream
 - Stop words, e.g., a ,an, the ,....
 - Stemmer: (Buy , Bought , Buying) ► Buy
- 3 Obtain the time series of each word's frequencies

Stock time series

- 1 The stock time series: WRDS² (from 1/1/2004 to 12/31/2006)
- 2 Daily stock prices of each company

¹<https://catalog ldc.upenn.edu/LDC2008T19>

²<https://wrds-web.wharton.upenn.edu/wrds/>

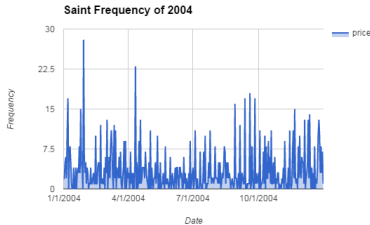


Figure : Stock prices of **Apple**

Figure : “Saint” word frequency

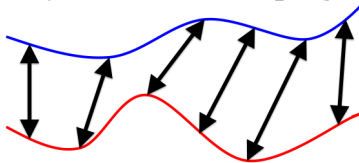
- Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient:
 - Stock price of a company: X
 - Word frequency of a certain word: Y
- Pearson Correlation:

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \text{cor}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{COV}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$



- Low correlation problem:
 - Shifted
 - Stretched
- Solution: *Dynamic Time warping*

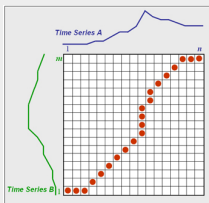
dynamic time warping





Dynamic Time wrapping

Dynamic time warping (DTW) is an algorithm for measuring similarity between two temporal sequences which may vary in time or speed.



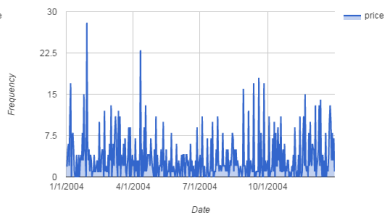
$$\begin{aligned}
 DTW(X, Y) &= C_p * (X, Y) \\
 &= \min\{C_p(X, Y), p \in P^{N*M}\} \\
 &= D(N, M)
 \end{aligned}$$



2004 Stock price of Apple

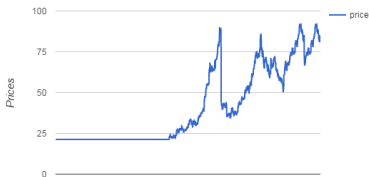


Saint Frequency of 2004

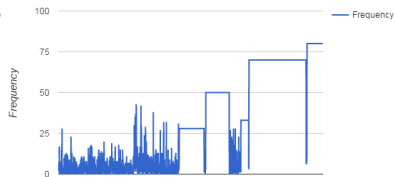


Correlation = 0.146451

Stock price time series of Apple



Word Frequency time series of "Saint"



Correlation = 0.902166



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Preliminary Experiments



- Dataset:
 - Text stream: *The New York Times Annotated Corpus*
 - From 1/1/2004 to 12/31/2006
 - #Unique terms: 368509
 - #Documents: 1096
 - Stock time series: WRDS
 - From 1/1/2004 to 12/31/2006
 - Four companies: Apple, Microsoft, Starbucks, Amazon



Preliminary Experiments



Microsoft



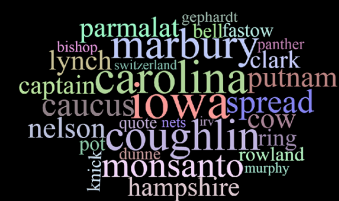
Starbucks



Apple



Amazon





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Conclusions and Future work



- 1 We propose a framework to construct a target-oriented lexicon.
 - It contains all the highly correlation words with target stock prices.
- 2 For future work, we will validate the resulting lexicons by the task of
 - Predicting stock price rise or fall
 - Predicting financial risk