

# traders jlbollen #twitter mood predicts the #DJIA FTW!

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## 2009-2011: ongoing research on public sentiment in social media feeds

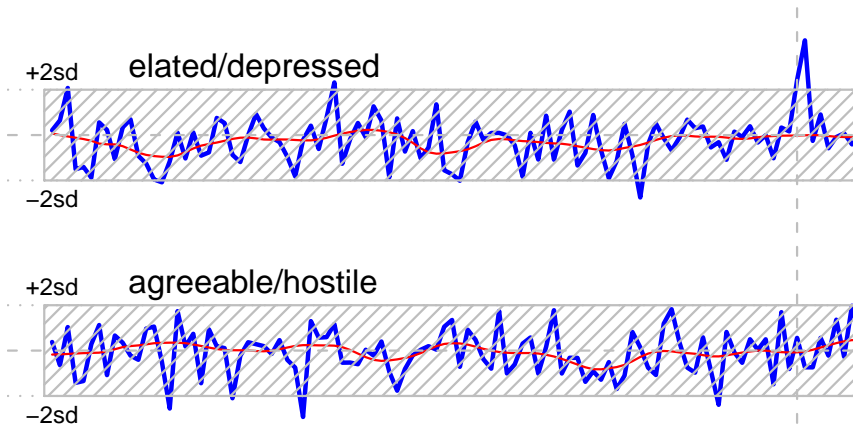
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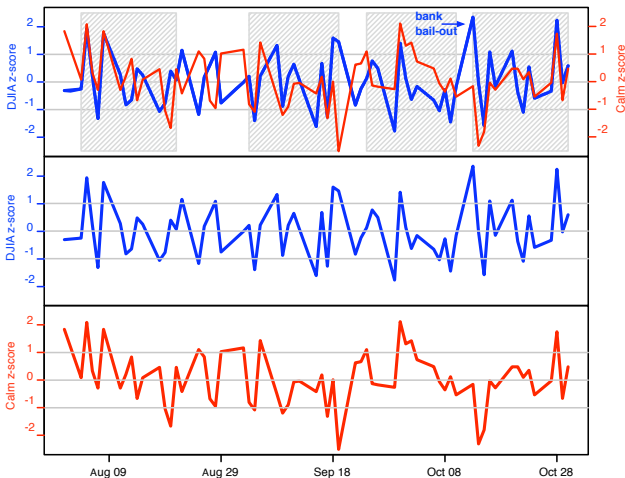
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# Cross-validating to broad socio-economic indices...



**Prediction accuracy: 86.7%?!**

Paul Hawtin of Derwent Capital Markets:

*"For years, investors have widely accepted that financial markets are driven by fear and greed but we've never before had the technology or data to be able to quantify human emotion. This is the 4th dimension."*



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The image shows a dark background with white text. At the top, 'Derwent Capital Markets' is written in a cursive font, underlined, with 'LONDON' in a simple sans-serif font below it. In the center, there is a photograph of a grand, classical building at night, illuminated from within. To the right of the building, the text 'PROVIDING SUPERIOR INVESTMENT ADVICE //' is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text '" Europe's first social media-based Hedge Fund "' is written in a white, sans-serif font.

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# Microblogging: casu Twitter!

## tweets and updates

users broadcast brief text updates to the public or to a limited group of contacts: 140 characters or less  
Twitter, Facebook, Myspace

## Examples

- “Our Rights from Creator (h/t @JLocke). Life, Liberty, PoH FTW! Your transgressions = FAIL. GTFO, @Georgelll. -HANCOCK et al.”
- “at work feeling lousy”

The screenshot shows a mobile browser view of a Facebook page. At the top, there are two tweets:

- CulinaryEscapes @Jfavreau**: my business and mother keeps me in Detroit. If the weather stays this nice I'll add it in the future. (half a minute ago from web)
- nuddypants @meschee**: Thankyou very much. It was fun today and perfect weather for once (half a minute ago from mobile web)

Below the tweets is a Facebook post by **Johan Bollen** with the text: "nice day for a run" (2 seconds ago). Below that is a post by **Miriam Blake** with the text: "Its snowing!!! I love winter's white beauty juxtaposed with fireplace warmth..." (9 hours ago). The browser address bar shows "http://www.facebook.com/" and the page title is "Facebook | Home".

# Analyzing the chatter

Twitter: +100M tweets per day, +150M users > many industrialized nations

## Predicting the present

Mapping online traffic provides real-time information which translates to real-world outcomes

- Box office receipts from Twitter chatter: Asur (2010)
- Google trends: flu (verbal autopsies)
- Predicting consumer behavior from search query volume (Goel, 2010)
- Contagion of “Loneliness” and **happiness** in social networks (Cacioppo, 2010 - Bollen, 2011)

# Extracting sentiment indicators from text

## Happy tweets.

So...nothing quite feels like a good shower, shave and haircut...love it  
 My beautiful friend. i love you sweet smile and your amazing soul  
 i am very happy. People in Chicago loved my conference. Love you, my sweet  
 friends  
 @anonymous thanks for your follow I am following you back, great group amazing  
 people

## Unhappy tweets.

She doesn't deserve the tears but i cry them anyway  
 I'm sick and my body decides to attack my face and make me break out!! WTF  
 :(  
 I think my headphones are electrocuting me.  
 My mom almost killed me this morning. I don't know how much longer i can be  
 here.

Different Approaches: Natural Language processing (n-grams) for reviews  
 (Nasukawa, 2003), topics (Yi, 2003), Support Vector Machines: text  
 classification (positive vs. negative) using pre-classified learning sets: Gamon  
 (2004), Pang (2008), Blogs, web sites: mixed approaches. Mishne (2006),  
 Balog (2006), Gruhl (2005),...

# Sentiment and mood analysis is difficult for tweets

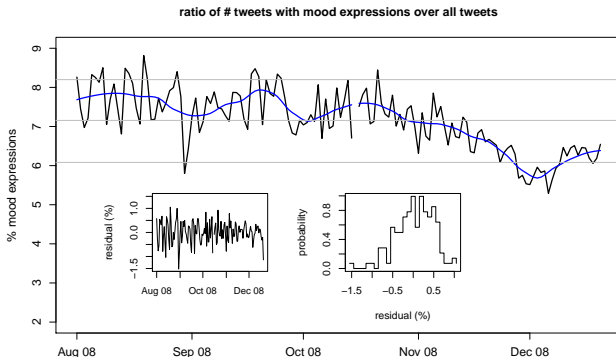
## Individual tweets

- Length: 140 characters, lack of text content
- Diversity: no standardized training sets, dimensions of mood?
- Lack of topic specificity

## Public mood from tweet collections and other microblog contents?

- We Feel Fine <http://www.wefeelfine.org/>
- Moodviews <http://moodviews.com>
- Myspace: Thelwall (2009), FB: United States Gross National Happiness [http://apps.facebook.com/usa\\_gnh/](http://apps.facebook.com/usa_gnh/), Michael Jackson (Kim, 2009)

# Ratio of emotional tweets, over time.



Ratio of tweets containing mood expressions vs. all tweets on a given day, including residuals from trendline.

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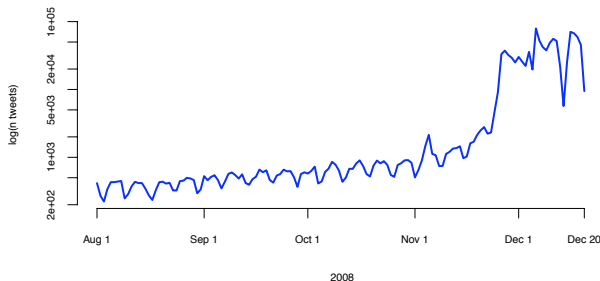
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# Data sets

Collection of tweets:

- April 29, 2006 to December 20, 2008
- 2.7M users
- **Subset:** August 1, 2008 to December 2008 - 9,664,952 tweets



## Each tweet:

ID	date-time	type	text
1	2008-11-28 02:35:48	web	Getting ready for Black Friday. Sleeping out at Circuit City or Walmart not sure which. So cold out.
2	2008-11-28 02:35:48	web	@anonymous I didn't know I had an uncle named Bob :-P I am going to be checking out the new Flip sometime soon
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# Mood assessment tool

## Definition

Uses model derived from existing psychometric instrument (40 years of practice). Maps the content of Tweet to 6 dimensions of human mood. Uses “ancient magic” (just kidding).

calm

alert

sure

vital

kind

happy

Tool built “in-house”, beyond mere term matching, learns from the web, lots of behind the scenes processing, continuous development.

Tweet:

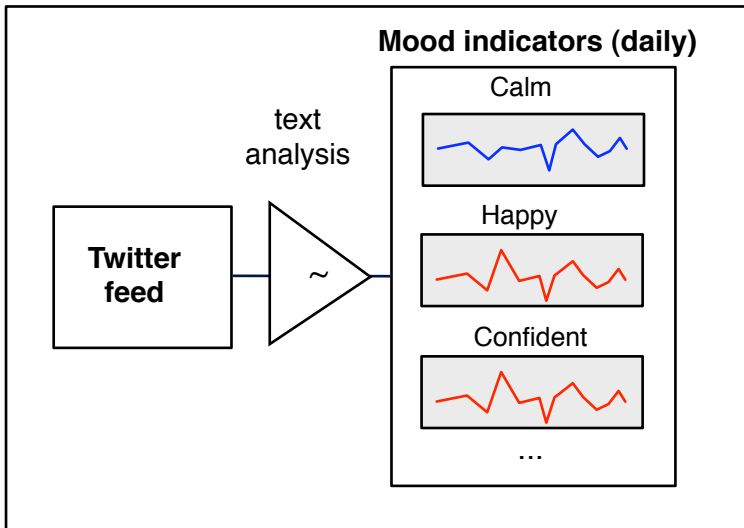
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composed/anxious	0.01725
clearheaded/confused	0.05125
confident/unsure	0.725625
energetic/tired	0.666625
agreeable/hostile	0.361
elated/depressed	0.53175

# Aggregating daily tweets into a mood time series





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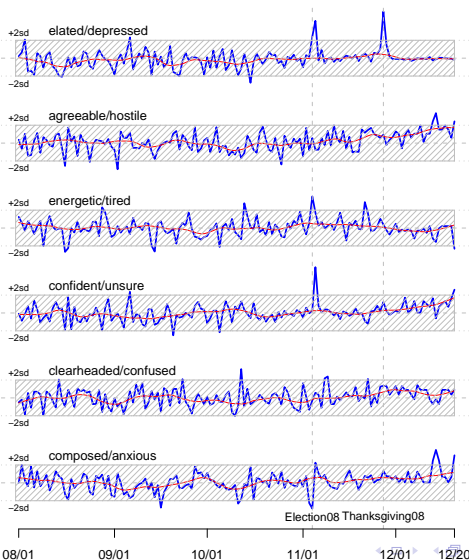
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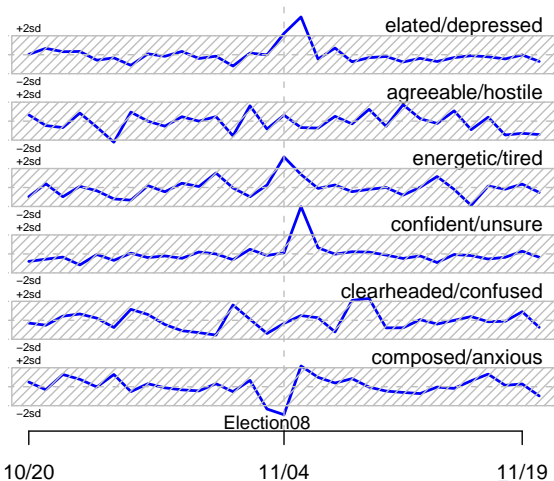
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# Public mood trends: overview



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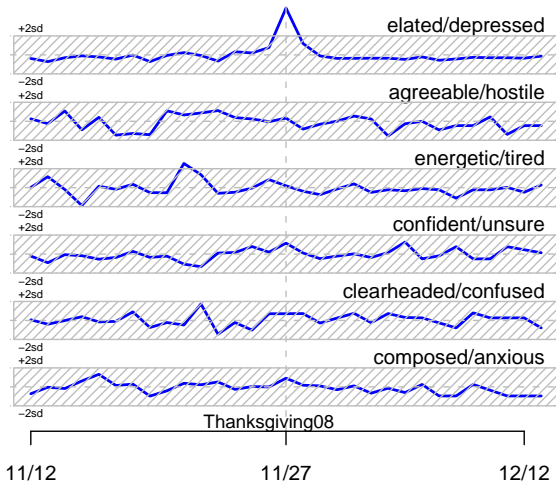
# TFIDF scoring of tweet terms

## 2008 U.S. Presidential Election

Nov 03	Nov 04	Nov 05
robocal	poll	histori
business	plumber	won
voter	result	barack
cleanser	absente	prop
grandmoth	ballot	speech
russert	turnout	result
socialist	barack	president-elect
halloween	citizen	hologram
acknowledg	joe	victori
race	thoughtfulli	ecstat

**Table:** Top 10 TF-IDF ranking terms 1 day before, on and 1 day after election day.

# Case study 2: November 27th, 2008 - Thanksgiving



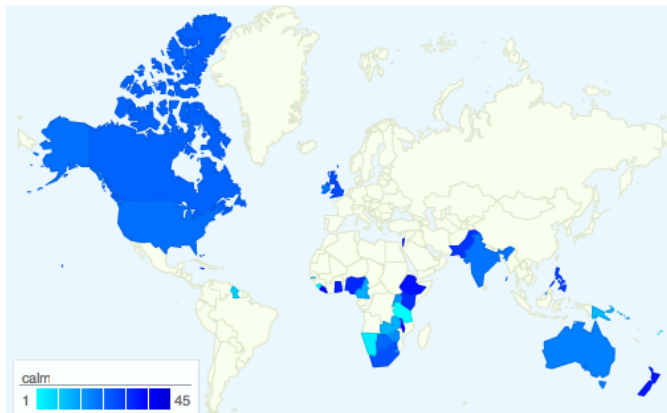
# TerraMood: World Mood Analysis from Twitter

Apr 5 2011

Set Date

Select the mood:

calm  alert  sure  vital  kind  happy



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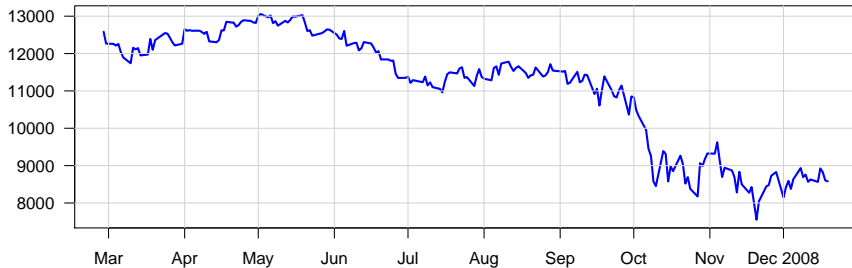
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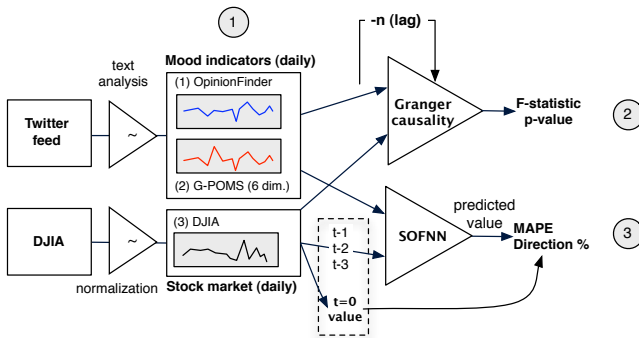
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DJIA daily closing value (March 2008–December 2008)





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**Figure:** Methodological diagram outlining use of Granger causality analysis and Self-Organizing Fuzzy Neural Network to predict daily DJIA values from (1) past DJIA values at  $t - 1$ ,  $t - 2$ ,  $t - 3$ , and various permutations of Twitter mood values (OpinionFinder and GPOMS).

# bivariate-causal analysis: DJIA vs. public mood

**Table:** Calm ( $X_1$ ), Alert ( $X_2$ ), Sure ( $X_3$ ), Vital ( $X_4$ ), Kind ( $X_5$ ), Happy ( $X_6$ )

lag	$X_{OF}$	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_5$	$X_6$
1	0.703	<b>0.080*</b>	0.521	0.422	0.679	0.712	0.300
2	0.633	<b>0.004**</b>	0.777	0.828	0.996	0.935	0.697
3	0.928	<b>0.009**</b>	0.920	0.563	0.897	0.995	0.652
4	0.657	<b>0.03**</b>	0.54	0.61	0.87	0.78	0.68
5	0.235	<b>0.053*</b>	0.753	0.703	0.246	0.837	<b>0.05*</b>

# Calm vs. DJIA

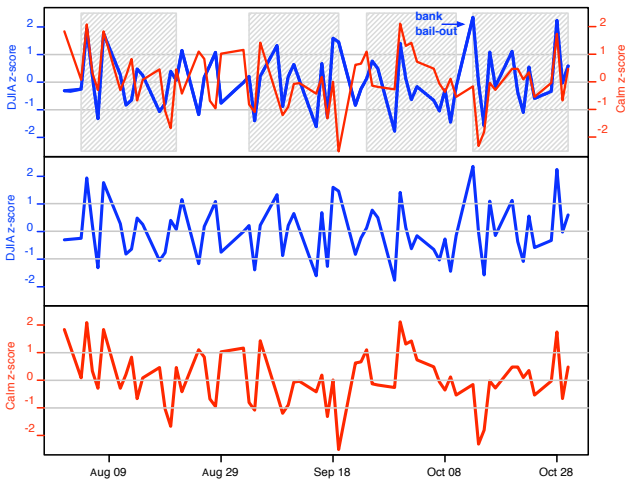


Table: DJIA Daily Prediction Using SOFNN

Evaluation	$l_{OF}$	$l_0$	$l_1$	$l_{1,2}$	$l_{1,3}$	$l_{1,4}$	$l_{1,5}$	$l_{1,6}$
MAPE (%)	1.95	1.94	1.83	2.03	2.13	2.05	1.85	<b>1.79*</b>
Direction (%)	73.3	73.3	<b>86.7*</b>	60.0	46.7	60.0	73.3	80.0

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- Some issues:
  - Time period chosen for analysis: Fall 2008 = worst case scenario
  - Short time period for test: subsequent analysis confirms prediction accuracy
  - Lack of historical data: prediction is at scale of 1-4 days, not decades
  - Algorithmic trading vs. hybrid (expert insight)? The crowd is not clairvoyant!
  - Gaming: 100M tweets/day, 150M users!

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