

Automated Sentiment Analysis of Commentaries in a HCP-Moderated Page Rick Jason G. Obrero Iris Thiele C. Isip-Tan

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# SENTIMENT ANALYSIS

This refers to the use of natural language processing, text analysis and computational linguistics to identify and extract subjective information in source materials.

#### PROJECT SUMMARY

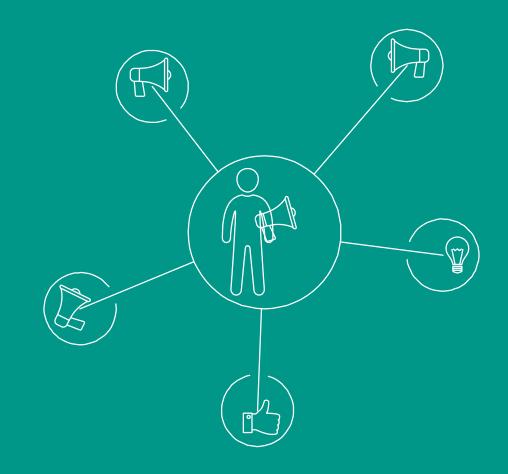
#### **Project Summary**

- Gather comments from the highest commented status in Endocrine Witch.
  - Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS).
- Perform sentiment analysis on such comments.
  - Classify as either positive, negative or neutral.
  - These are based on certain keywords.

## STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM



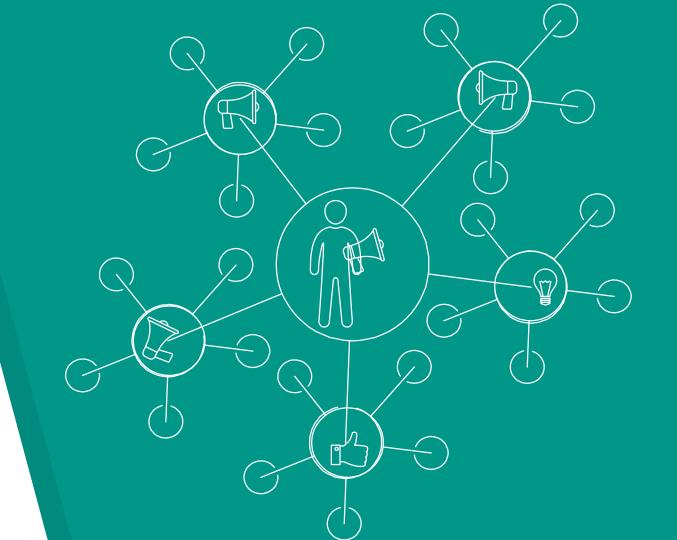
It is hard to filter all the comments present in Facebook Posts, especially when it is a page involving public service.



Filtering posts



To complicate the situation, existing comments in Facebook can be replied. This creates harder context switching in terms of posts.



**Switching contexts** 

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Due to these problems, the lack of time in giving comprehensive comments in important queries is expected.



When this problem is resolved, it shall be in a form of public service of giving the commenters to have their queries answered in the fastest possible time.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

## 7. DATA COLLECTION

#### **Data Collection**

Gather all of the status updates in Endocrine Witch, upon approval from the Facebook Page Manager.

Among them, find the status update with the most number of comments.

#### **Data Collection**

On the side, interview Page Manager for potential words that indicate positive, negative or neutral responses.

## 2. DATA PROCESSING

#### **Data Processing**

Gather the comments and translate them from Filipino to English via Google Translate, and remove all words which were not translated.

#### **Data Processing**

Get overall sentiment, as well as the sentiment for each comment.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

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Comments Collected

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3,443 comments as of 24 March

3,300 unique persons

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Latest of the comments were posted 24 March 2016.

Oldest comment was on 9 August 2015, the day when the post was created.

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The comment with the highest number of likes was posted on 9 August 2015, 5:19pm, with 617, as of comment collection date.

Code-switching is prevalent.

Code-switching is the use of different languages or dialects in a single sentence.

Some words in the comments are also being placed in shorthand.

This is the act of removing or changing certain letters in the word in place of the correct spelling of the word.

These produce the limitations of the Google Translate API.

Some further steps are needed to be included in the preprocessing of the comments.

Context is being lost due to the direct translation of such words.

"yr"

A common abbreviation for the word "year".

"q"

A shorthand for the Filipino word "ko", and can be translated to the word "my".

#### "kc"

A shorthand for the Filipino word "kasi", and can be translated to the word "because".

"dinadatnan"

A Filipino word for the event of menstruation.

Context is being lost due to the direct translation of such words.

This is due to the word-per-word nature of the translation. Filipino phrases may have a more direct translation as a single or multiple English word than a phrase formed by translating the words one by one.

"hanggang ngayon"

A Filipino word, that when translated is "up to now".

Context is being lost due to the direct translation of such words.

Another reason is the use of medical jargon that was being provided to them by their doctors while not understanding the meaning behind it.

"irreg"

A shorthand for irregular menstruation.

### **Comment Pre-Processing**

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Another reason is the spelling of words in different dialects. As a cardinal rule in the Filipino language, on what the pronunciation is, that will be its corresponding spelling.

## **Comment Pre-Processing: Examples**

"minstruition"

A misspell for menstruation.

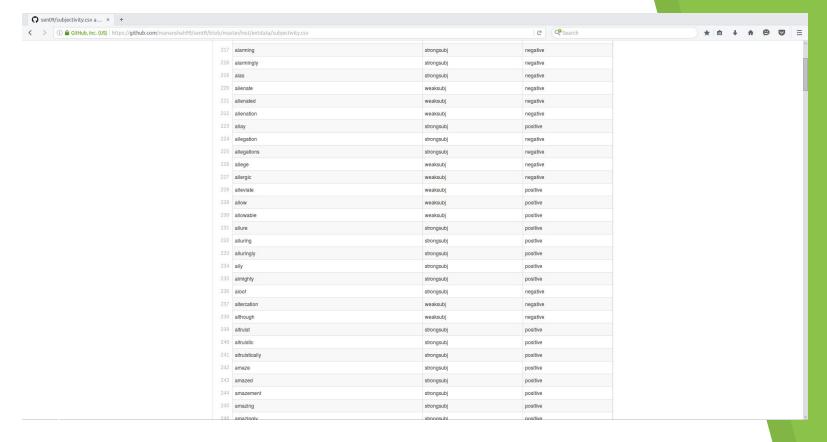
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sentR, an R package was used to do sentiment analysis.

It contains a word dictionary which identifies whether words elicit a positive, negative or neutral response. Also, the subjectivity of the words are identified whether they are strong or weak.



Word dictionary in sentR

# **Processing via Sentiment Analysis**

sentR does not consider words that are not present in the dictionary, thus the concerns on translation are already directly addressed.

# **Processing via Sentiment Analysis**

Using the dictionary, the comments are classified as either positive, negative or neutral.

### **Sentiment**

Sentiment	Number of Comments	
positive	2,834	
negative	607	
neutral	2	
TOTAL	3,443	

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Generating Themes

#### **Context for Endocrine Witch**

#### As of 28 April 2016:

- 50,211 unique page likes
- 84% female
- Majority in 25-34 year age bracket at 40%
- Mostly from the Philippines (Manila, Cebu and Davao), while there are present in Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Hong Kong.



To offer reliable information about endocrine disease from a board-certified endocrinologist.

# RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Responding to Stakeholders: KAP's

Positive responses are elicited from people who comment when they ask more information about a topic of interest.

Comments become negative responses when the tone of discussion already becomes a private health issue consultation.

Comments become negative responses when sensitive information is already disclosed, such as photos of private body parts and laboratory test results.

In this instance, the comment gets hidden from view.

When a specific brand name is also mentioned, the comment becomes negative in nature.

In this event, when the comment-poster is persistent, the person is banned from interacting in the page.

Comments are answered in the simplest way possible, as the persons interacting have little to no background in endocrinology.

Recommendations in seeing a doctor are also being laid out to the persons commenting.

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Sentiment Analysis in Themes

### **Sentiment Analysis in Themes**

#### Positive words:

- "Ask"
- "More"
- "Information"

And their synonyms

### **Sentiment Analysis in Themes**

#### Negative words:

- "Consult"
- "Sex"
- "Menstruation"
- "Endorse"
- "Prescribe"
- "Supplements"
- "Medicine"

And their synonyms

### **Sentiment Analysis in Themes**

Synonyms of such words were searched in an online copy of the WordNet thesaurus.

Table 2. Top five translated positive comments and their respective scores

No	Comment	Score
1	PCOS is the first ever in dysmenorrhoea	38.671884
2	hi ask ko lng anu kc drug may rarely lng ako ngreregla to time a year akng menstruation sometimes months depending ur lng yon pasibble I PCOS single poh me my age	0.057897
3	I dismissed my doc being irregular and the mentreation ngyn diagnose stage I endometrial cancer b	0.040512
4	doc poh aq irregular menstruation q hindi rin poh poh aq nbuntis mnsan times aq ngkaroon gang of men a year ntakot poh poh aq kz may mysakit <u>n</u> aq	0.060241
5	lastyr I did delay me mens almost mos then nagpacheck up in ultrasound I just thought I preggy that I then was not sorted prescribed me medication pamparegla then after a month I nagmems I done now april LMP I till now nothing again my mens what the heck should I do it again I hope I makarecieve message from you thank you very much	3.600339

Sentiment analysis in positive comments

Table 3. Top five translated negative comments and their respective scores

No	Comment	Score
1	hello ask ko lang po n yr old girl who finished continuous means losing the menstruation for the whole month what is the reason and ways of how to treat i thank you	1.768592
2	Hello Dr. I just wanted to seek advice normally po ang meanstration my year Napo My husband and I hndi we still kakaanak and hindi pa po ako nkaranas mg take the pills I want to mg baby we owepayat rising the age I am now nPO nkpg wife, I said years old and I should have done for you baby mg n we	75.028647
3	doc before poh regular I dinadatnan but when either pills then q give birth sometime lang and when to further inject aq every month at the health center every month aq dinadatnan done a month before sometimes nude sometimes not be po ba aqng to p check up my PCOS well because it widens well aq aq waist q	37.115834
4	to experience Kona also delay the yr severe and almost months I have terrible this disease <a href="mailto:ndis#39">ndis#39</a> ;m greedy but bikis kodin fat meron po ako na	

Sentiment analysis in negative comments

There are delays in getting the posts from the Endocrine Witch Facebook Page.

Reasons of which include:

- The controls which the Facebook Graph API introduced recently, such as the limit of getting Facebook posts from an unlimited amount to ten at a time.

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 Getting posts is different than that of getting the comments in the post.

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Reasons of which include:

- The sheer amount of data in which the Endocrine Witch has, including all likes and comments, as well as posts are huge in nature.

The time consumed to get the most number of comments in Endocrine Witch is 35 seconds.

The files which contains the synonyms has a file size of 24 MB. Due to this sheer size, the time it consumes to load the file lasts for about ten seconds.

Reading comments will be faster, but the context of the posts will be lost.

Classification contained false positives and true negatives.

It depends on the Page Manager on what to reply on such instances.

Lack of awareness transcends to those in the persons who ask questions which are answerable in the post. Also, consultations to their physician is also recommended all the time, to ensure personalized prescriptions.

Use a better pre-processing algorithm to accommodate the following:

 Conversion of emojis and emoticons on what appropriate response they actually translate.

Use a better pre-processing algorithm to accommodate the following:

2) Transform code-switched words to their appropriate English counterparts.

Use a better pre-processing algorithm to accommodate the following:

3) Transform shorthanded text to their spelled out counterparts.

Use a better pre-processing algorithm to ease the translator to convert local texts into the English language.

Use another translator aside from Google Translate.

Google Translate API has a 60-day trial that needs to be used right away.

Better sentiment analysis tools and dictionaries are needed to obtain better analysis.

