

Life Mining

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What?

- Search not as the target application, but as a core component
- What is the application?

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Datamining - Wikipedia". The address bar contains "nl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Datamining". The page content includes the Wikipedia logo, navigation links like "Overleg", "Lezen", "Bewerken", and "Geschiedenis", and a search box. The main text defines "Datamining" as the search for (statistical) relationships in large data collections for scientific or commercial purposes. It also includes a section on "Misbruik" (Misuse) with a link to "Zie Misbruik van statistische gegevens voor het hoofdartikel over dit onderwerp."

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Datamining - Wikipedia
 nl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Datamining

Text mining - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
 en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_mining

Text mining
 From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

It has been suggested that this article or section be merged with *Text analytics*. (Discuss) Proposed since June 2012.

Text mining, sometimes alternately referred to as *text data mining*, roughly equivalent to *text analytics*, refers to the process of deriving high-quality information from text. High-quality information is typically derived through the devising of patterns and trends through means such as *statistical pattern learning*. Text mining usually involves the process of structuring the input text (usually parsing, along with the addition of some derived linguistic features and the removal of others, and subsequent insertion into a *database*), deriving patterns within the *structured data*, and finally evaluation and interpretation of the output. 'High quality' in text mining usually refers to some combination of *relevance*, *novelty*, and interestingness. Typical text mining tasks include *text categorization*, *text clustering*, *concept/entity extraction*, production of granular taxonomies, *sentiment analysis*, *document summarization*, and *entity relation modeling* (*i.e.*, learning relations between named entities).

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Labor-intensive manual text mining approaches first surfaced in the mid-1980s,^{[citation needed][examples needed]} but technological advances have enabled the field to advance during the past decade. Text mining is an interdisciplinary field that draws on information retrieval, data mining, machine learning, statistics, and

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The image shows three overlapping browser windows from the University of Amsterdam. The top window is titled "Datamining - Wikipedia" and shows the URL nl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Datamining. The middle window is titled "Text mining - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia" and shows the URL en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Text_mining. The bottom window is titled "Life mining - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia" and shows the URL en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Life_mining. The content of the bottom window is visible, showing the Wikipedia article for "Life mining".

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Life mining

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

- We increasingly live our lives online
- Interleave on-line and on-earth
- Observing and mining human behavior
- Use search engine to find, analyse and predict

**Can we mine useful
knowledge from digital
traces of people's lives?**

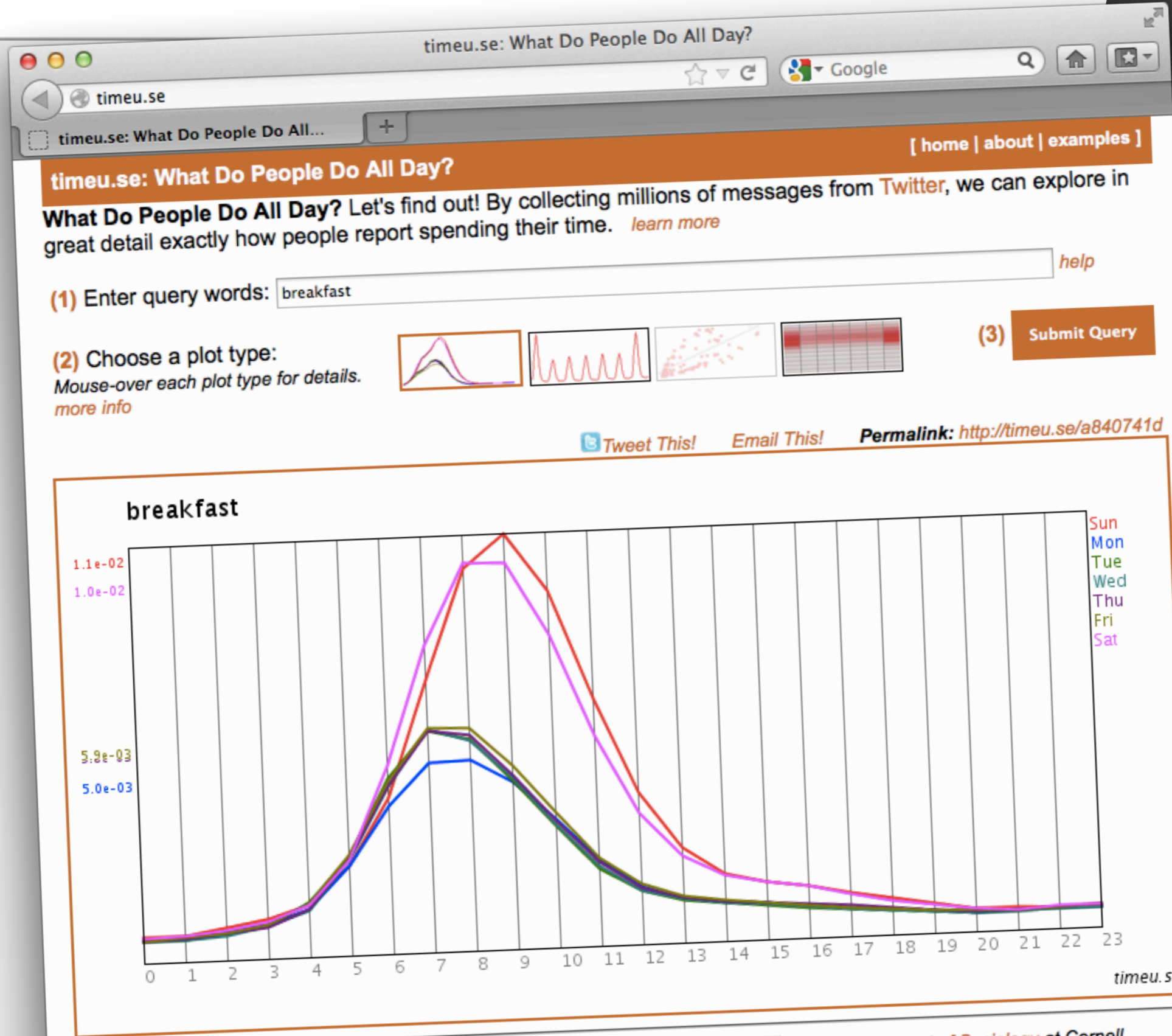

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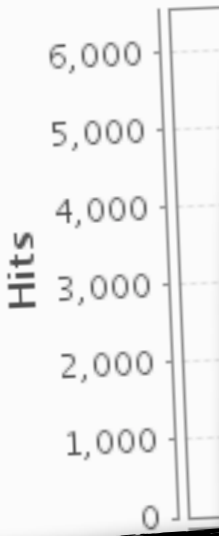
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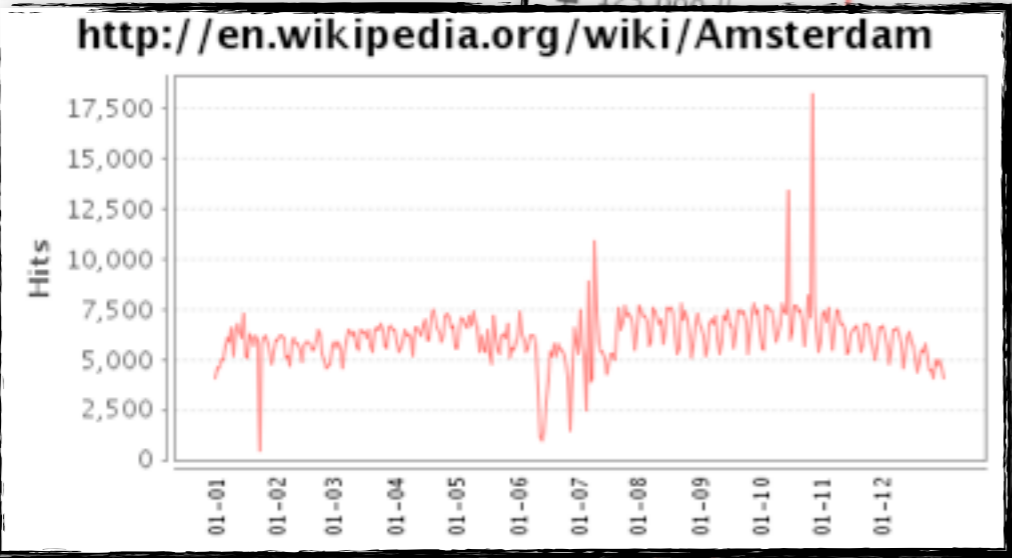
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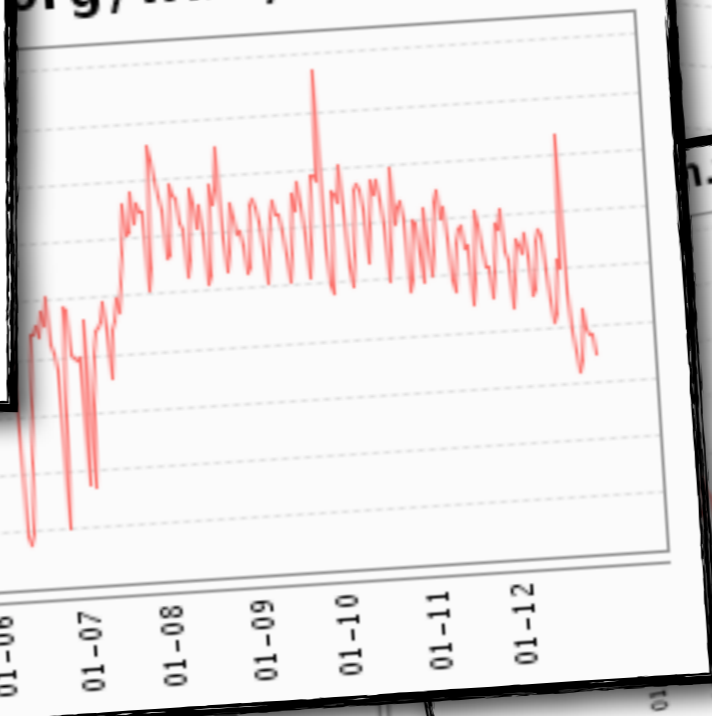
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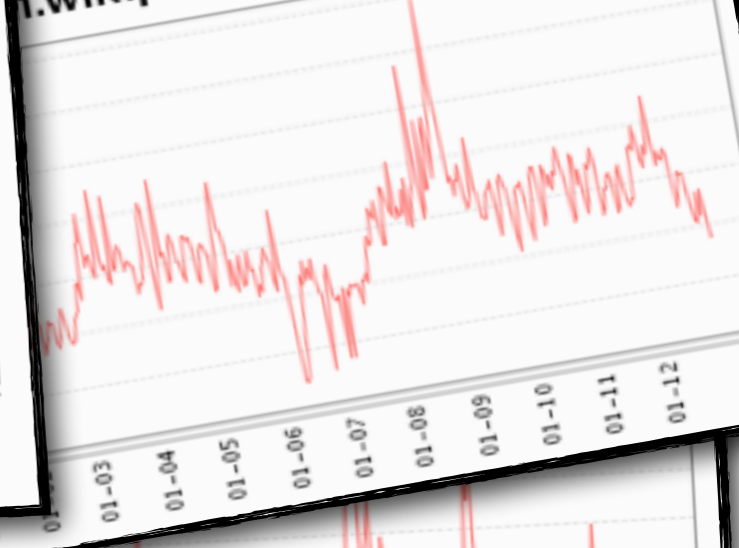
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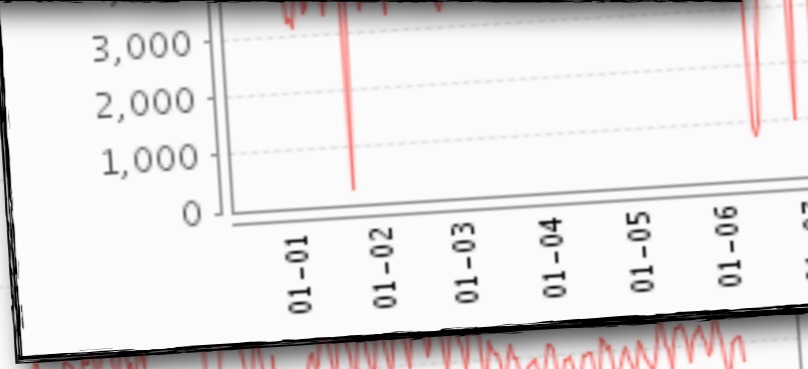
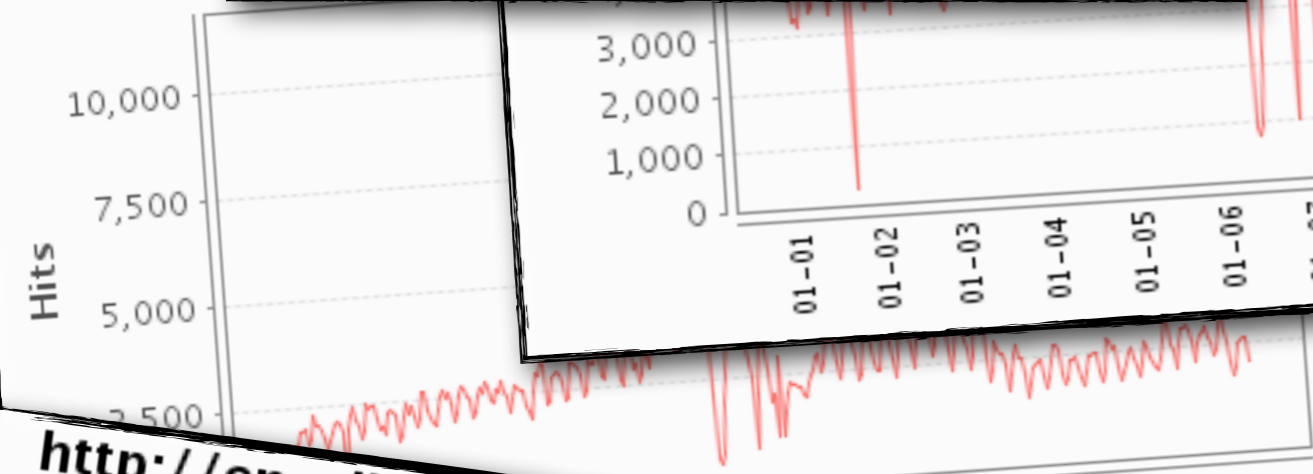
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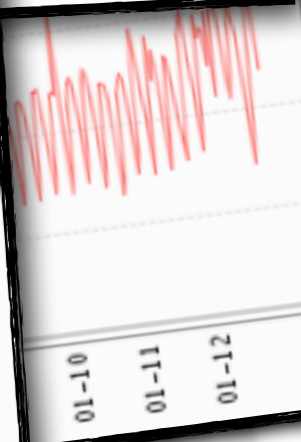
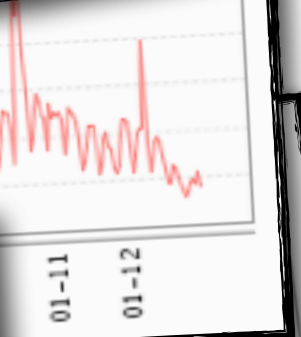
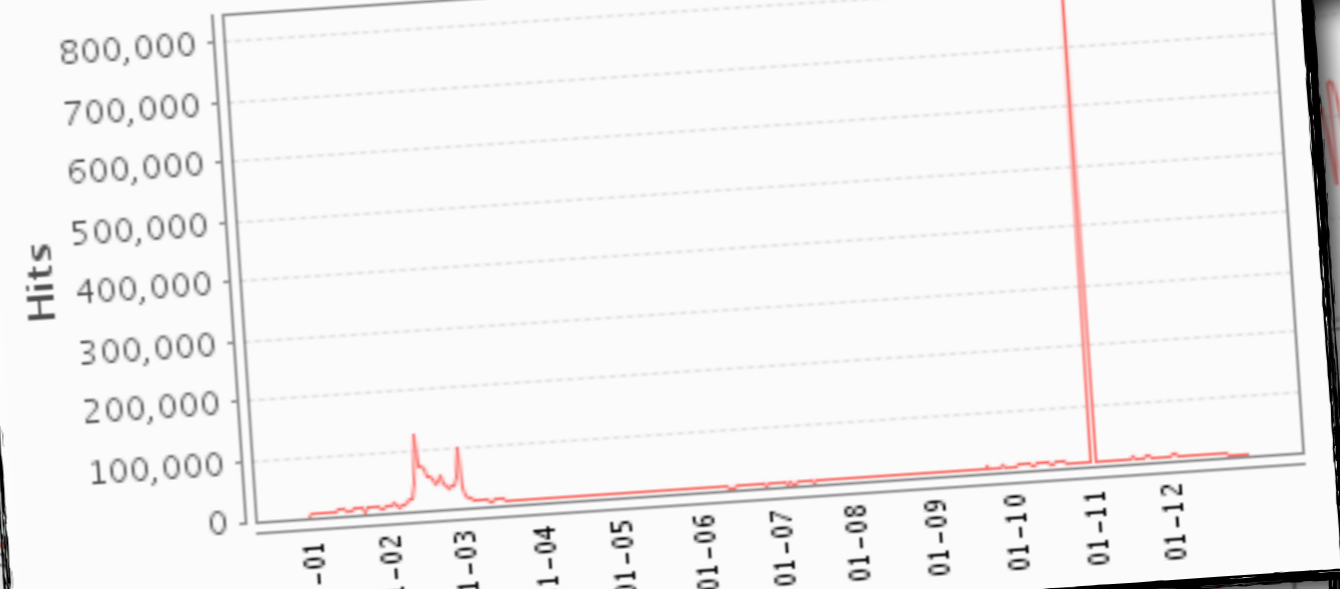


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lenders	property	depot	linens	hampton
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refinance	prudential	business	walmart	vehicle
rates	zillow	secretary	outlet	supply
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broker	real	allstate	target	lake
lending	keller	companies	pier	rv
lender	properties	contractors	bed	walgreens
payment	agreement	cost	grill	newport
loan	appraisals	reverse	kitchen	lumber
amro	residential	federal	shield	oak
emc	lease	sale	macys	authority
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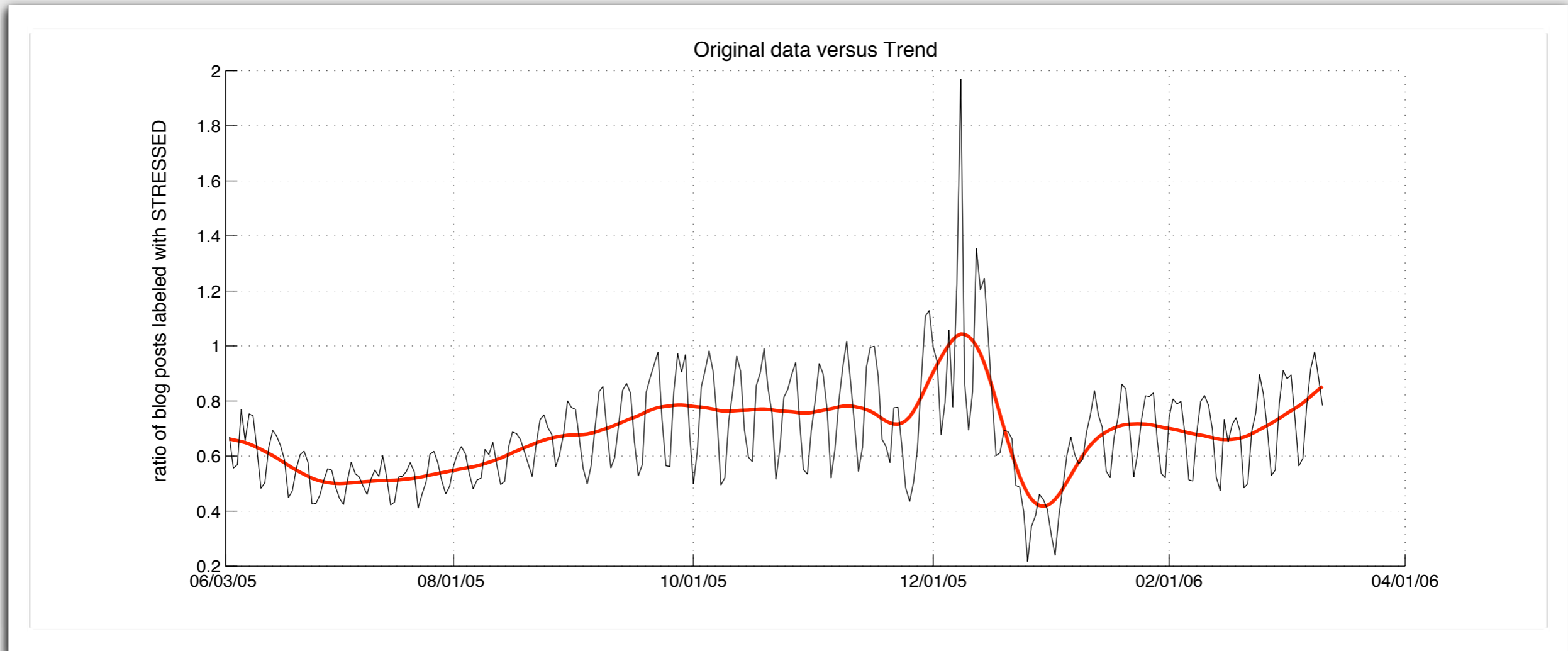
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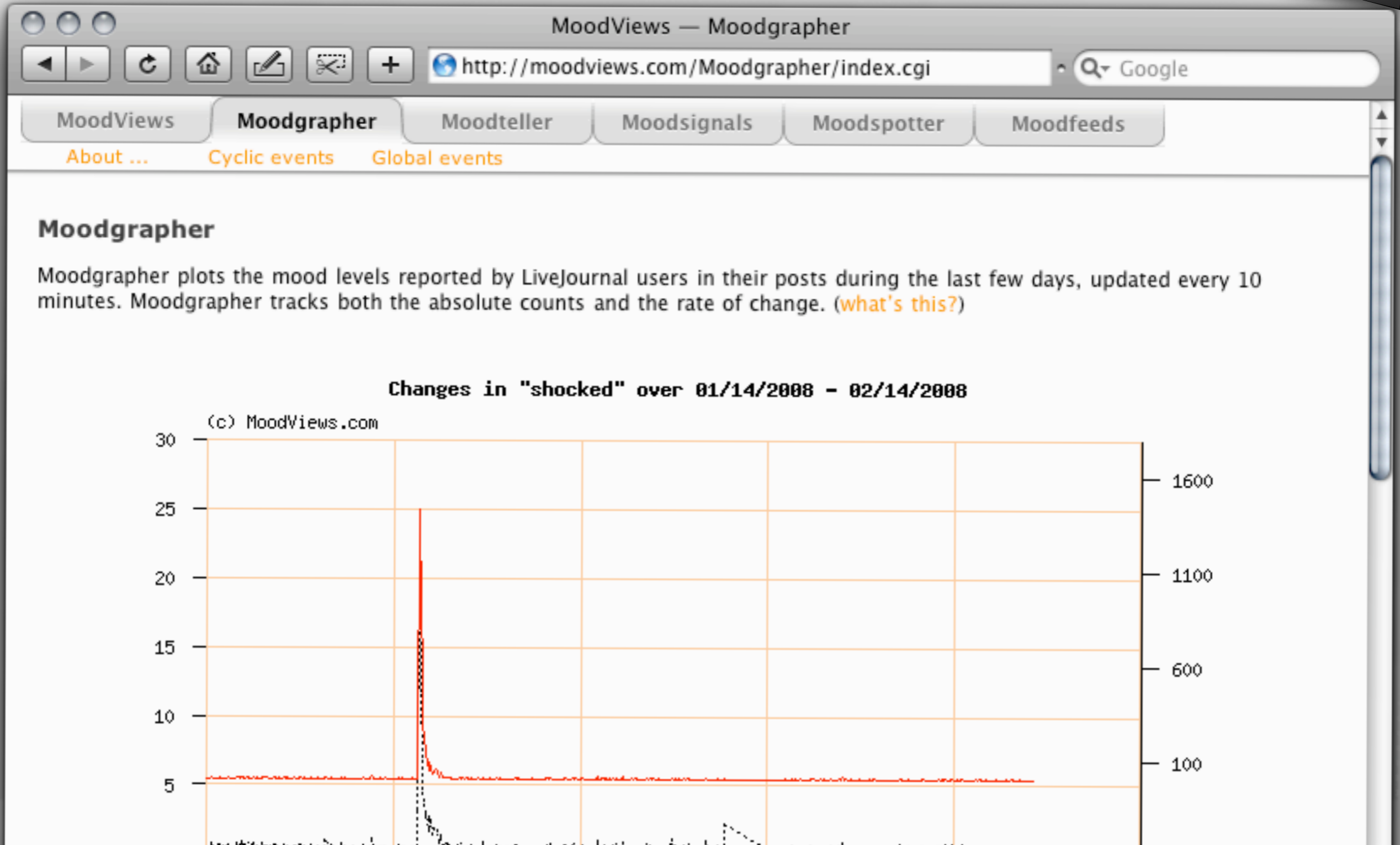
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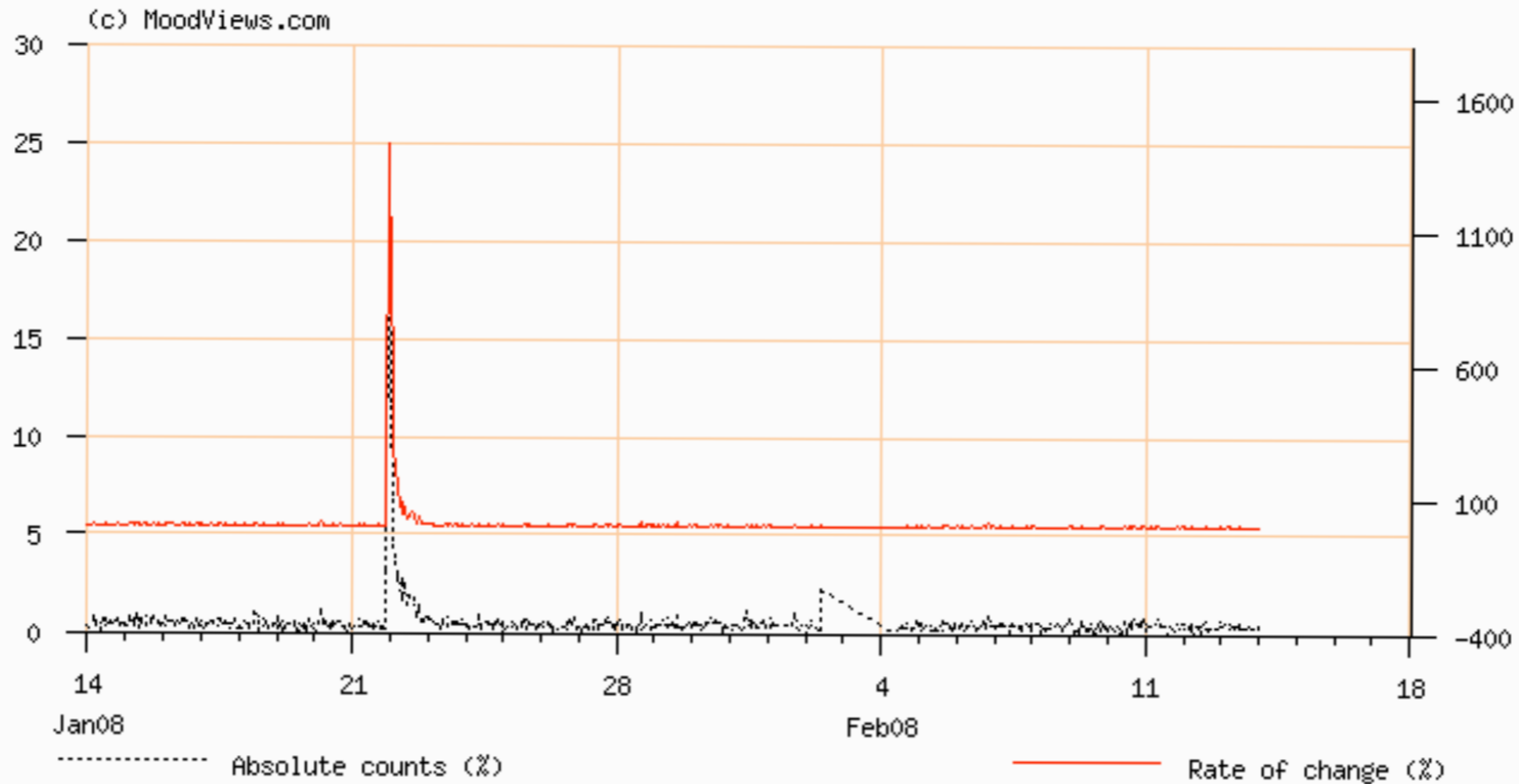
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Moodgrapher

Moodgrapher plots the mood levels reported by LiveJournal users in their posts during the last few days, updated every 10 minutes. Moodgrapher tracks both the absolute counts and the rate of change. ([what's this?](#))

Changes in "shocked" over 01/14/2008 - 02/14/2008

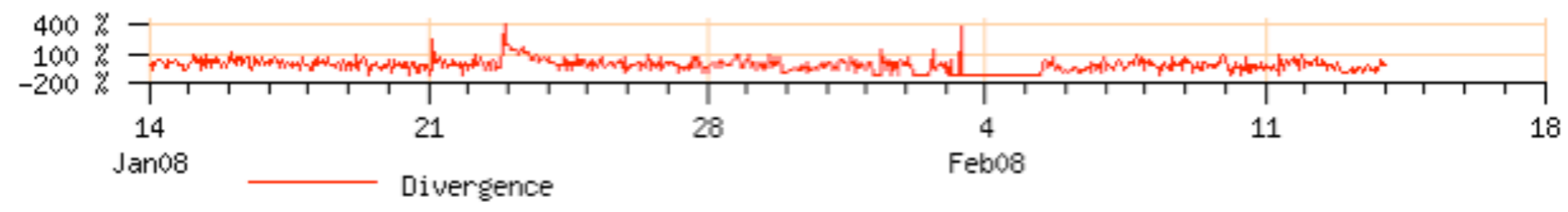
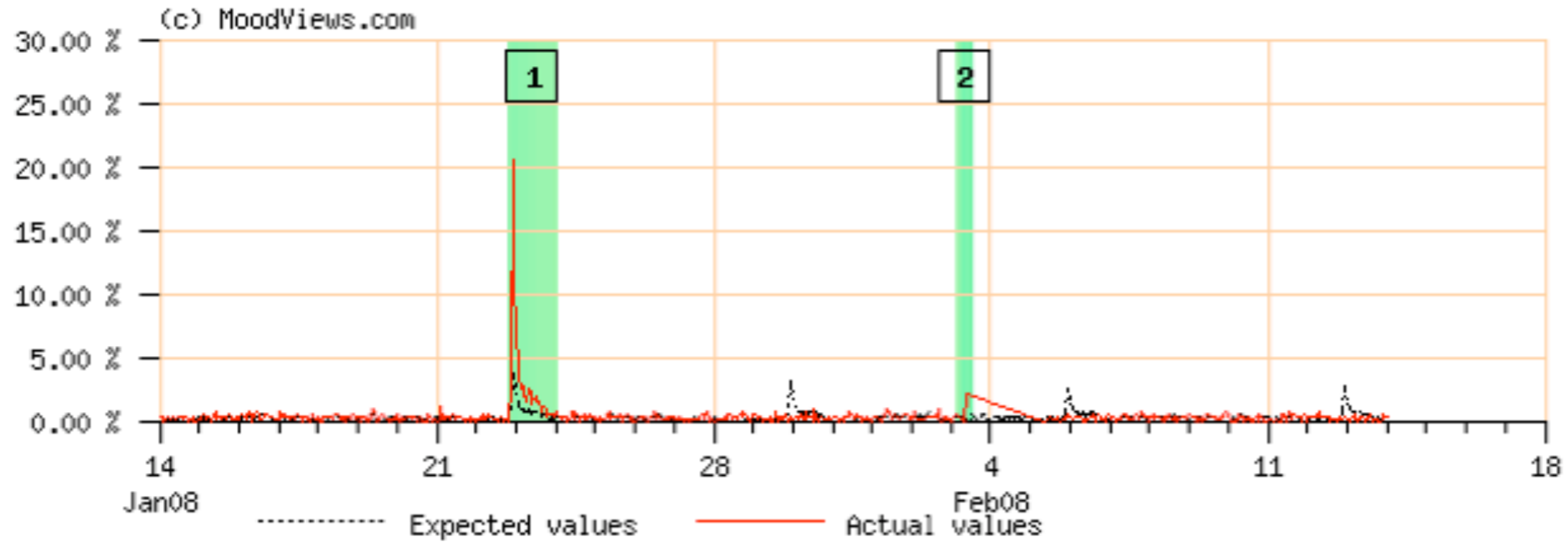


Search "shocked" posts

Show the mood level

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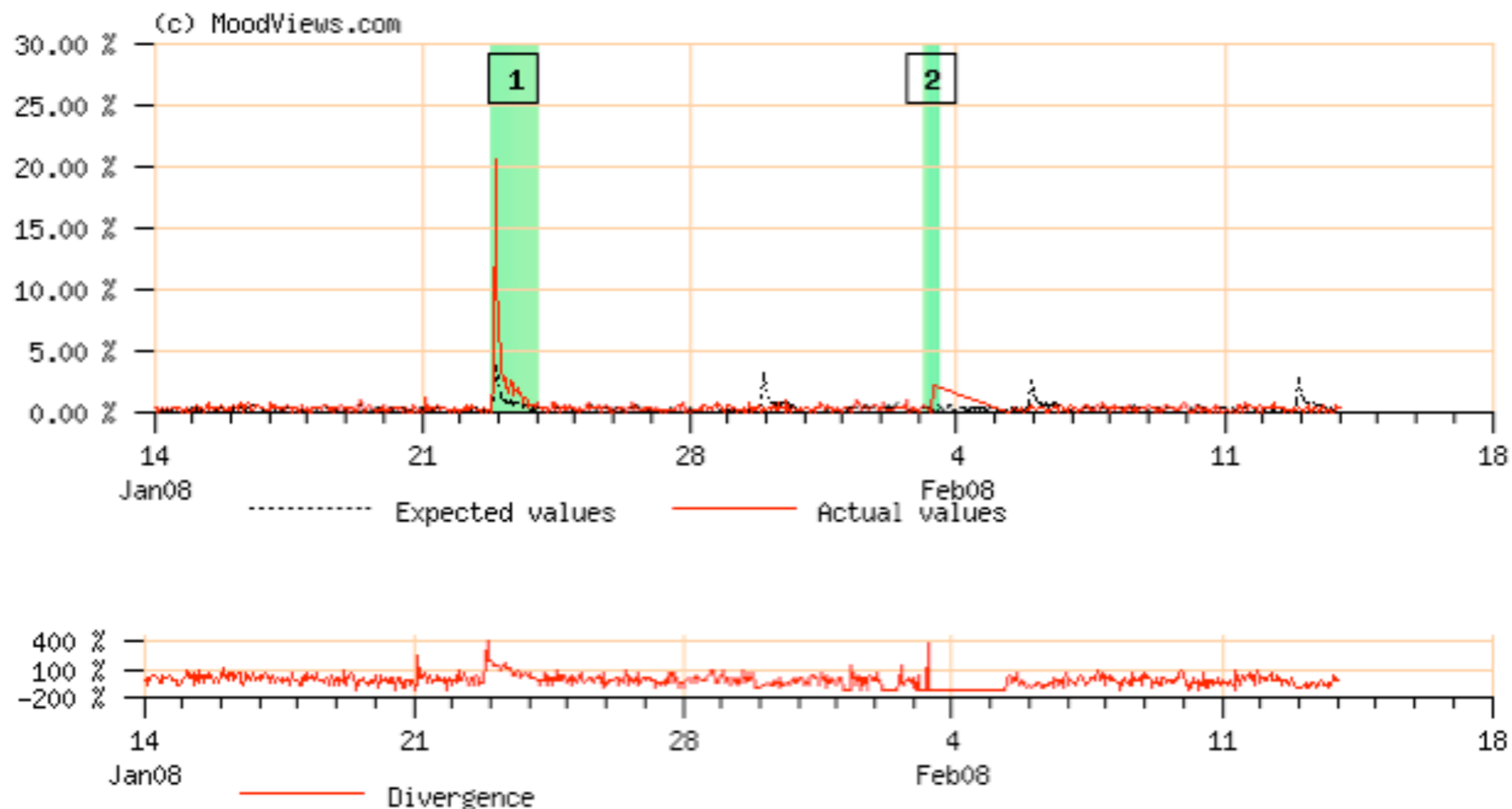
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Peak explanation

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Peak explanation

Peak (1) 01/22/2008 19h - 01/24/2008 01h

Overused terms during the peak period:

ledger, heath's, dead, actor, shock, joker, brokeback, knights, found, dying, renfro, overdose, news

More peaks in "shocked"

- o Dec 27, 2007, 12:00
- o Oct 31, 2007, 00:00
- o Oct 20, 2007, 00:00
- o Oct 19, 2007, 08:00

So what?

Search, recommend and predict

- Focus on user behavior
- Exploit user behavior
 - Recognize it, segment it, label it, interpret it, connect it
 - Predict it

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the day of the election:
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month	Month (1-12)	
wom	Week of the month (1-4)	Nom
dow	Day of the week (1-7)	Nom
day	Day of the month (1-31)	Nom
hour	Hour of the day (0-23)	Nom
first_half_hour	Publication in the first 30 minutes of the hour	Nom
art_char_length	Article content length	Nom
category_count	Number of categories it is published on	Int
has_summary	Article has summary	Int
has_content	Article has content (HTML incl.)	Int
has_content_clean	Article has content (only text)	Int
links_cnt	Number of out-links	Int
authors_cnt	Number of authors	Int
<i>Cumulative features</i>		
art_same_hr	Published articles in same hour for source	Int
dupes_int_cnt	Near-duplicates in same source	Int
dupes_ext_cnt	Near-duplicates in other sources	Int
<i>Textual features</i>		
	<i>tf</i> of top-100 terms ranked by their log-likelihood score for each source	Int
<i>Semantic features</i>		
ne_loc_cnt	Number of location-type entities	Int
ne_per_cnt	Number of person-type entities	Int
ne_org_cnt	Number of organisation-type entities	Int
ne_misc_cnt	Number of miscellaneous-type entities	Int
has_local	Any entities referring to the Netherlands	Int
	<i>tf</i> of top-50 entities from each entity type, ranked by their log-likelihood score for each source	Int
<i>Real-word features</i>		
temperature	Temperature in Celsius at publication time	Num

Prediction: Internet movie database ratings

Grave of the Fireflies (1988) - IMDb

www.imdb.com/title/tt0095327/

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Grave of the Fireflies (1988) Top 5000
 Hotaru no haka (original title)
 UR 89 min - Animation | Adventure | Drama -
 16 April 1988 (Japan)

8.4 Your rating: ★★★★★★ -/10
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 Reviews: 386 user | 78 critic

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The screenshot shows the IMDb page for the movie "Grave of the Fireflies" (1988). The browser address bar shows "www.imdb.com/title/tt0095327/". The page features a navigation bar with "IMDb" logo, a search bar, and links for "Movies", "TV", "News", "Videos", "Community", "IMDbPro", and "Apps". The main content area includes a movie poster for "Grave of the Fireflies" on the left. To the right of the poster, the movie title "Grave of the Fireflies (1988)" is displayed with a "Top 5000" badge. Below the title, the original title "Hotaru no haka (original title)" is shown. The rating section is circled in red and displays a yellow star with the number "8.4", indicating a rating of 8.4/10 from 53,912 users and 386 reviews. The description states: "A tragic film covering a young boy and his little sister's struggle to survive in Japan during World War II." The director is listed as "Isao Takahata" and the writers as "Akiyuki Nosaka (novel), Isao Takahata". The stars are "Tsutomu Tatsumi, Ayano Shiraiishi and Akemi Yamaguchi". On the right side of the page, there is an advertisement for "Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy" with a "Watch it" button and a link to "Buy it from Amazon".

Prediction: Internet movie database ratings

- Observe a “signal” in one channel, to predict a “signal” in another channel
 - Twitter & YouTube / IMDb
- Two classes of features
 - Quantitative indicators aim at capturing the amount of activity around a movie title
 - views, number of comments, number of favorites, number of likes, the number of dislikes, the fraction of likes over dislikes for each trailer clip on YouTube, the number of tweets on Twitter.
 - Qualitative indicators aim at capturing the meaning of the activity (i.e., what people say about a movie)
 - Textual features extracted by comparing the log-likelihood of a term in tweets and YouTube comments associated with the top-N and bottom-N movies, based on their IMDb ratings
 - Examples of extracted positive textual features amaz, perfect, awesom
 - Negative ones stupid, worst, terribl

Prediction: Radicalization

- Signs of online radicalization
- Not a simple classification task based on a static snapshot of data
- From “on earth” social psychology:
 - Two phases
 - One
 - Talking about a growing number of topics
 - Talking to an increasingly large group
 - Two
 - Restrict to a small number of topics
 - Limit audience to a small number of people
- Can be implemented by
 - Keeping track of language model
 - Keeping track of structure of social network
- Interesting false positives

What's next?

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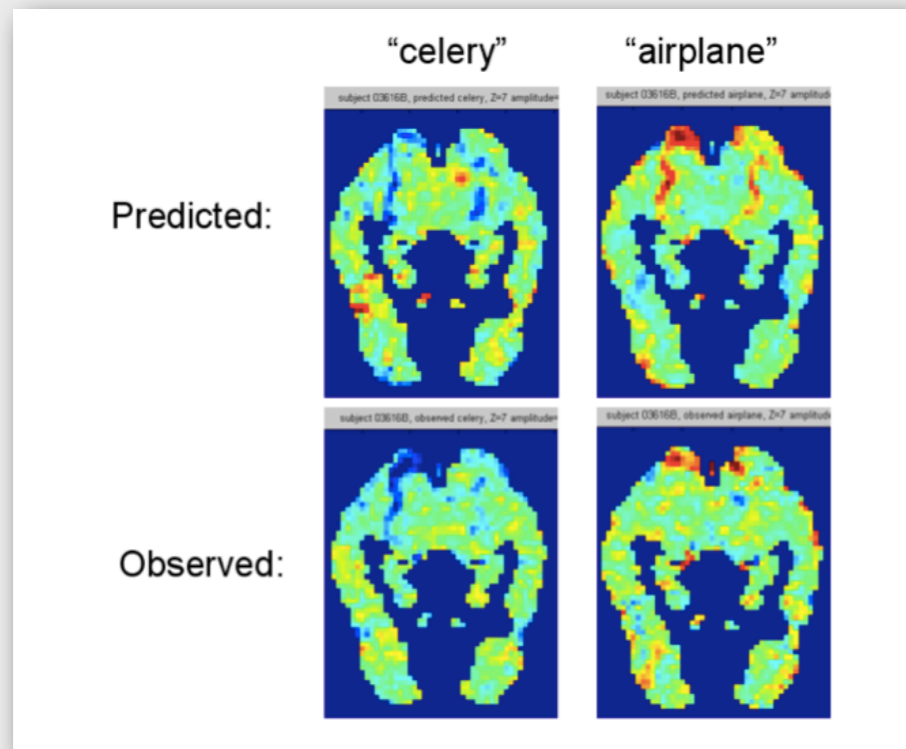
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Develop predictive models

- Individual behavior, group behavior

And beyond that?



- Track even more signals to interpret and recommend ...
 - Size and complexity of social network correlated with brain structure
 - Different spatial patterns of neural activation are associated with thinking about different semantic categories of words and pictures (e.g., tools, buildings, animals).
 - Brain structure of Googlers different from brain structure of “deep readers”