Sentiment of two women

Sentiment analysis and social media

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--- Oscar Wilde, An Ideal Husband

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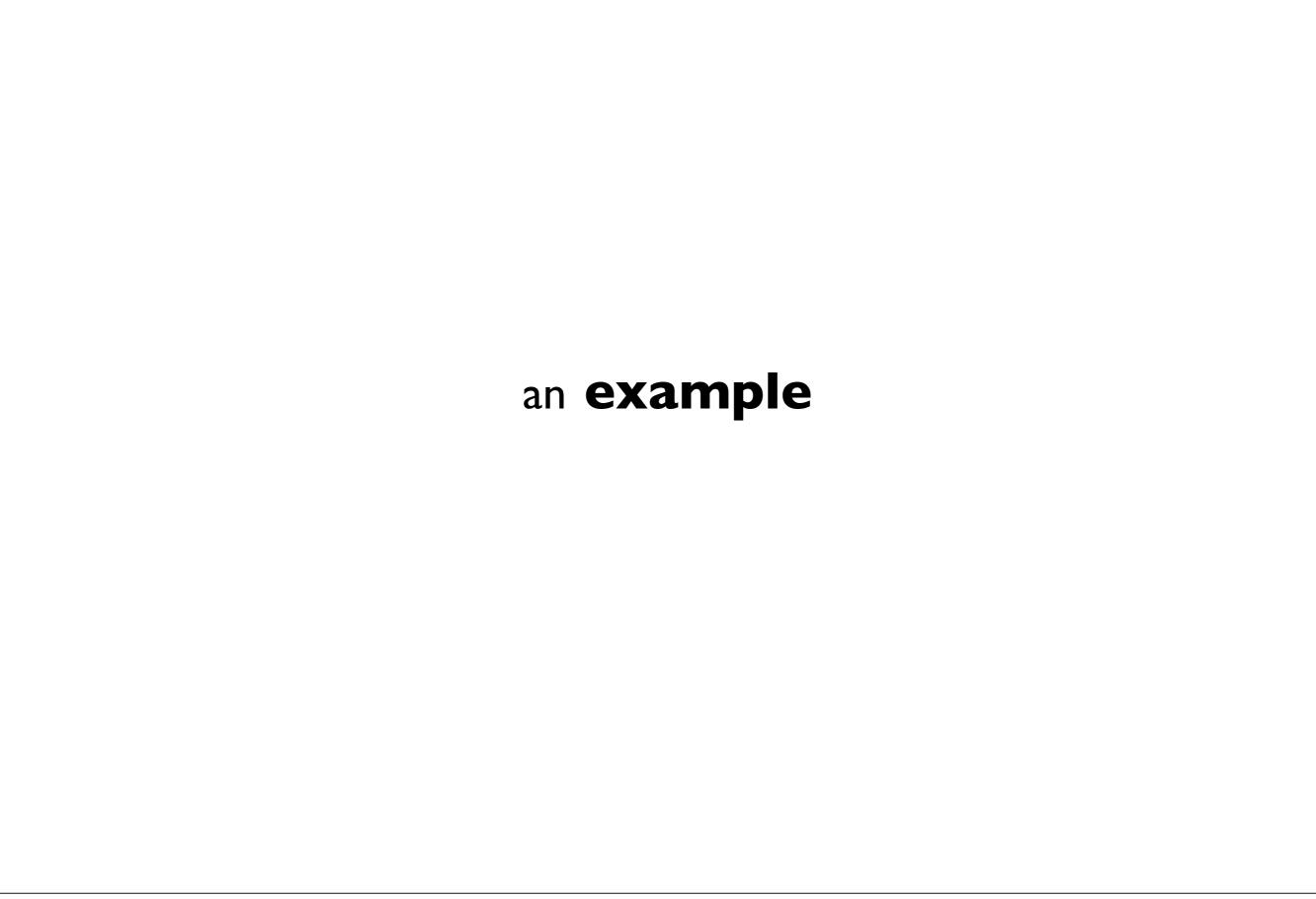
many applications and interesting questions

- + improvements in analytical techniques
- + availability of new data sets for tuning these techniques

= huge interest and progress in recognizing and analyzing subjective language

our three main points

- sentiment analysis is **harder** than many people think
- sentiment analysis is **more important** than many people think
- sentiment analysis involves many problems and many approaches --- let's talk about these in the Q&A





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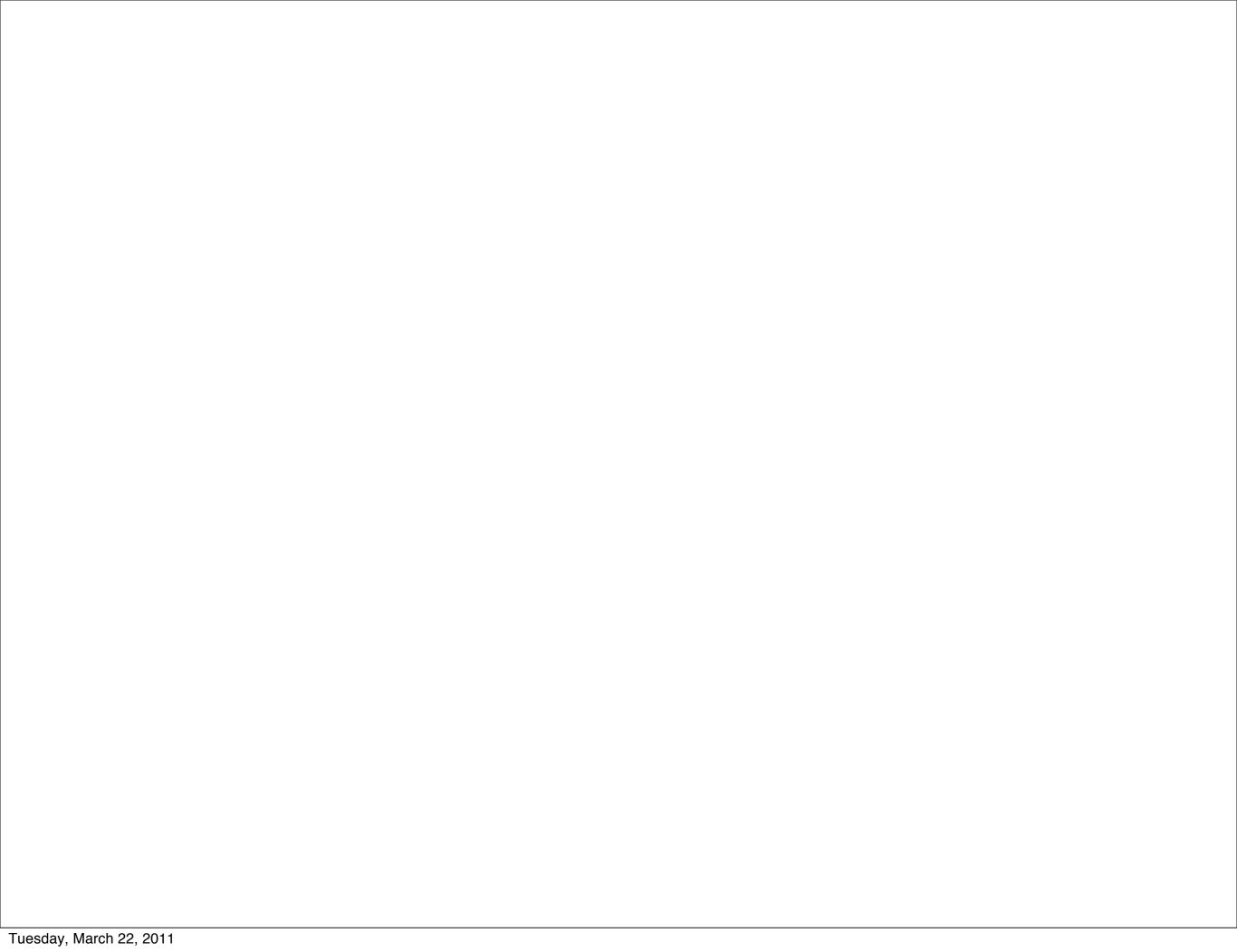
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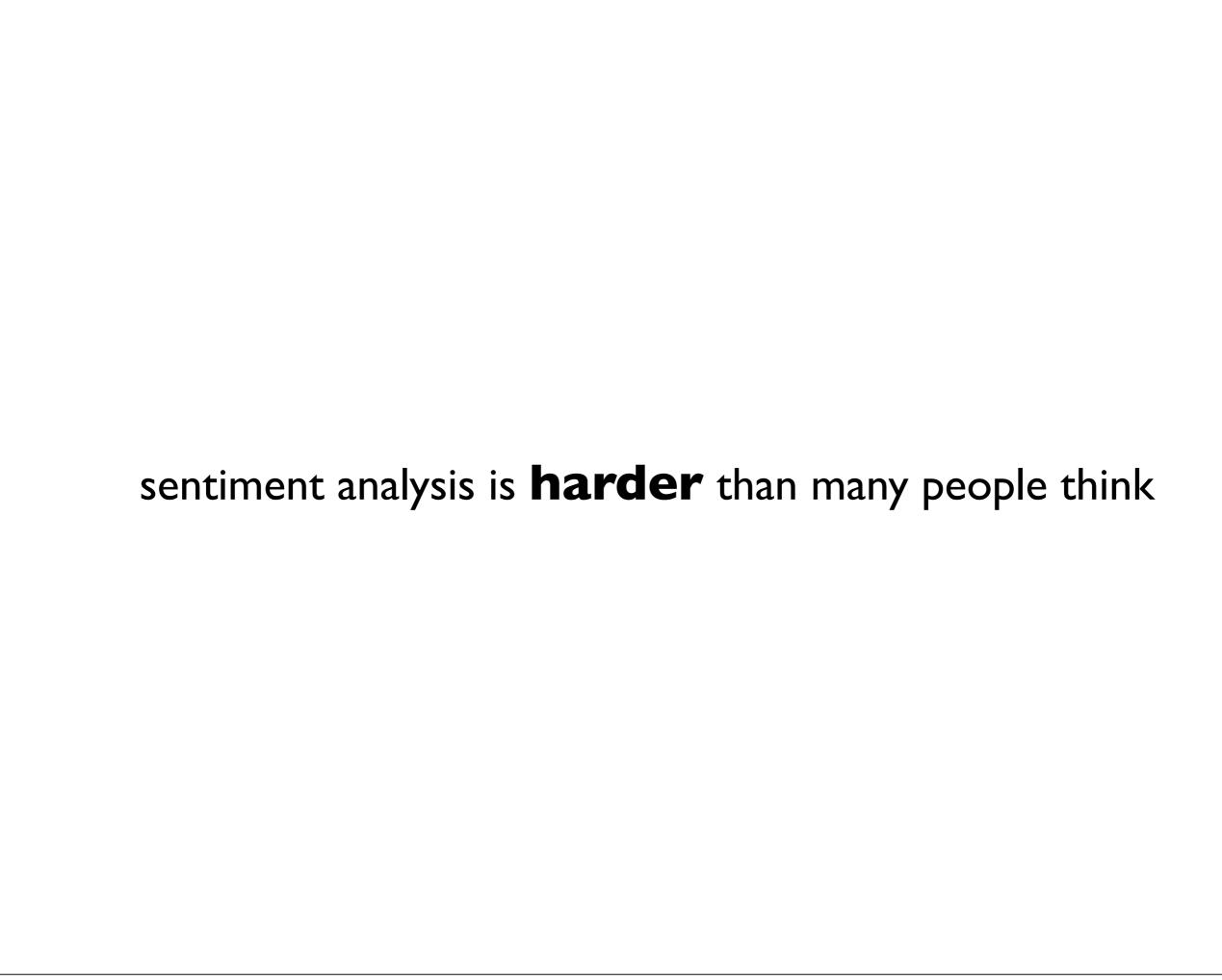
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what phrases indicate what, anyway?

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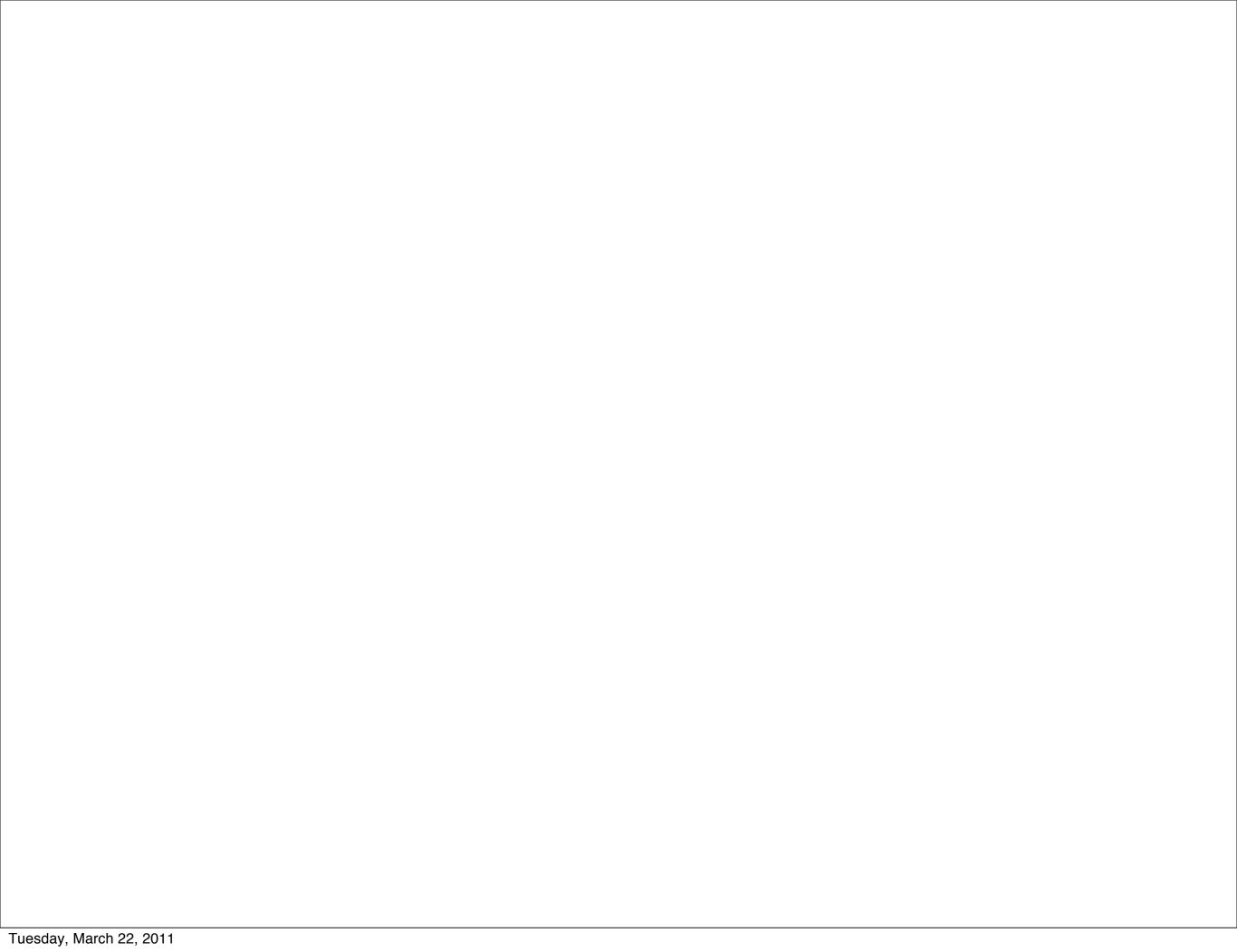
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Hennartonline Missing you at #sxsw! How's Germany? @thepaulmeyers @audi rocks!:-)

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Tojosan @HRMargo Glad to have you along mam. #hirefriday rocks!! #SxSW rocks as well. ((hugs))

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HannahDeMilta Oh no :(RT @redshoes: Lost passport near Hilton Austin. If you find it/hear of it please ping me. Australian passport name: Kim McKay #sxsw

9 minutes ago via web



barrettlane @lgilchrist @jdmoran @zmsmith so jealous you are all at #sxsw right now. Wish I was there with team @yipit :(

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Realtime results for "sxsw sucks"



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samdotcom Being in 'the industry' and not being at #SxSW sucks...excruciating on social media. #employedpeopleproblems

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paultreichler verizon wireless broadband connectivity at #sxsw sucks

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borisraskin sqlite is fing awesome. i just wanted to say that. also, i hope that #sxsw sucks this year. #notjealous

about 9 hours ago via web



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 - sarcasm, ...

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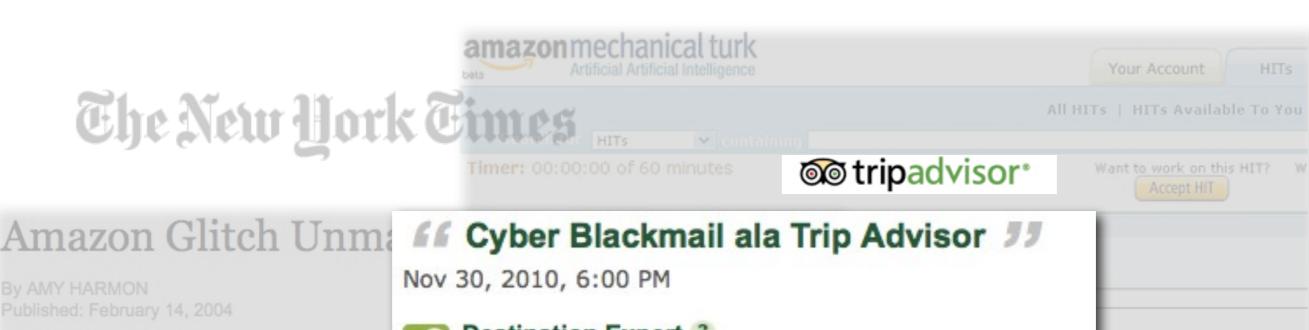
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the US gov't is trying to sort through these opinions. But, people sent 400,000 comments about just one rule (labeling organic food).

opinions are a lens on human behavior

economics: "Does a positive reputation increase revenue, or is word of mouth enough?"

political science: "How has public opinion about the death penalty changed, and what are the causes?"

sociology and social psychology: "How are people's opinions influenced by the opinions of their friends?"

some key problems

- * transferring between languages and/or domains is "unpredictable" positive or negative? "impressionante" is both, but "impressive" is positive
- * summarization and calibration is your "3 stars" the same as mine?
- how do opinions spread and change?
- * which opinions matter? example issues: unhelpful reviews, review spam

read the book

more on applications, approaches, research directions, connections to other fields, ...

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