

AMU and AMR, searching for a signal in noise

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Data challenges and opportunities

Unstructured data

80-90% of data exists in unstructured formats

Data use

Less than **1%** of the worlds data is analysed

AMR literature

Google Scholar search for AMR yielded 1.3 million (May 2023)

Systematic review

Most reviews take between 6 to 18 months on average to complete



Searching for a signal in noise

- Evidence synthesis
- Systematic map of Ethiopian livestock disease use case
- LitXpress a Machine Learning tool to accelerate evidence synthesis
- LitXpress application to engineering and law

Louise Donnison, Isla MacVicar, Carys Redman-White (SEBI-L and GAAFS) SEBI-L mobilises data and generates insights to inform livestock development investment decisions

Andrew Horne, Mattia Opper and Colin Gormley (Edina) Edina transforming innovative ideas into scalable digital solutions using emerging technologies

Application to the field of AMR and AMU your feedback



Evidence synthesis and maps



Combines information from multiple studies investigating the same thing providing a comprehensive view of the totality of the evidence and not just a sample of studies

Documented methodologies ensure all actions could be replicated and verified, reduces bias and subjectivity to provide more reliable findings

A good review meets the needs of decision makers, is current and timely, readily and widely available



Systematic maps show the big picture, identify gaps in research, help reduces waste and guides future research, hypothesis generators



Evidence Synthesis pathway



6-18 months time consuming

Evidence synthesis case study



Systematic mapping of ruminant infectious disease frequency

Systematic map research question

What is the most recent available evidence on ruminant infectious disease frequency and diseaseassociated mortality in Ethiopia?

Method described in published protocol to reduce bias

Tsouloufi, T., Donnison, L., Smyth, K., & Peters, A. (2020). Development of a systematic mapping review protocol for the most recent evidence on ruminant infectious disease frequency and disease-associated mortality: Ethiopia as a case study. *Animal Health Research Reviews, 21*(1), 96-102.

A maps describe the evidence

How much evidence is there? Where is the evidence? How have the studies been undertaken?



Searching and Screening literature



Ethiopian ruminant disease landscape



Extraction Diagnostic test 324; 45.3% Microscopy Location 146; 20.4% PM examination Study population Parasitological examination 97; 13.5% Publications CFT 62; 8.7% Diseases 56; 7.8% RBT 40; 5.6% CIDT Testing Stereomicroscopy 33; 4.6% **C-ELISA** 32; 4.596 ELISA (3ABC) 22; 3.1% Physical examination 20; 2.8% 50 100 150 200 250 0 300 350

Number of Studies

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SEBI-L using EAST to mobile evidence products

Nematodiasis

Echinococcosis

50

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100

Brucellosis





Gambe

@ Mapbox @ OSM

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SNNPR

Somali

321

Oromia

Livestock disease evidence results in Ethiopia Prevalence, and mortality ranges in Systematic map

Use this tool to explore the research evidence on livestock (cattle and small ruminants) disease frequency and disease-associated mortality in Ethiopia.



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Hypothesis Generator

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Evidence Synthesis pathway LitXpress



Produces a living map – timely evidence



Future litXpress functionality



- 2. Variety of projects
- 3. Project Management and Interface









Future litXpress project management interface



LitXpress expansion to other subject areas Making an impact



Engineering

- As a test case the tool was adapted to a small part of a literature review for the Microfluidics department in Engineering
- Microfluidics confirmed the value of the tool



Engineering : Microfluidics

- Key issue is the recognition of Equations within a body of text
- Texts are typically PDFs, and text conversion from PDF breaks on encountering an equation
- Recognising equations is a Vision AI problem, rather than an NLP AI problem
- Engineering have 200 PhD and 100 Postdoc researchers who are expected to run ~2 reviews every three years, each review taking ~150 hours. Automation could reduce this to ~15 hours, a total time saving of 40 person-years in researcher time per year for Engineering alone.

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Microfluidics

 $n_i(r, t_{\perp})$ and $n_i(r+c_i, t_{\perp})$, corresponding to velocities c_i and $c_i(c_i = -c_i)$ parallel to the link connecting r and $r+c_i$ the notation $n_i(r, t_{\perp}) = n_i(r, t_{\perp} + \Delta_i(r, t_{\perp}))$ is used to indicate the post-collision distribution, (2.7). The velocity of the boundary node u_b is determined by the solid-particle velocity U, angular velocity Ω , and centre of mass R,

$$u_h = U + \Omega \times (r + \frac{1}{2}c_i - R).$$
(2.8)

By exchanging population density between n_i and $n_{i'}$ the local momentum density can be modified to match the velocity of the solid-particle surface at the boundary node, without affecting either the mass density or the stress, which depend only on the sum $n_i + n_{i'}$. The precise form for the boundary-node collision operator is

$$n_i(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{c}_i, t+1) = n_i(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{c}_i, t_\perp) + 2a_1^{c_i}\rho \mathbf{u}_b \cdot \mathbf{c}_i,$$

$$n_i(\mathbf{r}, t+1) = n_i(\mathbf{r} + t_\perp) - 2a_1^{c_i}\rho \mathbf{u}_b \cdot \mathbf{c}_i$$
(2.9)

As a result of the boundary-node interactions (2.9), forces are exerted on the solid particles, (2.10)

$$f(r + \frac{1}{2}c_i, r + \frac{1}{2}) = 2[n_i(r, t_+) - n_{i'}(r + c_i, t_+) - 2a_1^{c_i}\rho u_b \cdot c_i]c];$$
(2.10)

thus momentum is exchanged locally between the fluid and the solid particle, but the combined momentum of solid and fluid is conserved. The forces and torques on the solid particle, obtained by summing $f(r + \frac{1}{2}c_i)$ and $(r + \frac{1}{2}c_i) \times f(r + \frac{1}{2}c_i)$ over all the boundary nodes associated with a particular particle, are then used to update the particle velocity and angular velocity, according to the laws of Newtonian mechanics. The mass and moment of inertia of the particle are preassigned, depending on the

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Refugee Law

- Canada is one of the few countries to publish its legal decisions on admitting refugees in full
- This is the subject of Claire Barale's PhD : Enabling ethical human-AI reasoning in international law
- Rather than develop a new NLP system Claire is adapting our tool to process the Canadian database
- The aim will be to identify automatically anomalous decisions that should be appealed





Background Legal AI – LegalTech





UNHCR, Refworld, <u>https://www.refworld.org/</u>

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Next Steps

- Continue to work with Microfluidics before involving Materials, moving eventually to a general solution for Engineering
- Develop a tool for Refugee Law document processing, then move to automating the search for relevant case law, eventually developing a general legal research tool
- Look into offering the potential value of equation processing to schools of Physics and Mathematics
- Investigate other interested subjects, and look at larger scale collaborations with Cochrane and JISC

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Impact

- Example of a paper published in Conservation Biology
- Up to 50% of time in these cases would be saved by automation
- In the order of ~100 days per review

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Impact

- Depending on the review, 50%-90% of the work involved can be automated by a machine learning approach
- There is an initial investment of time, often requiring a manual review to be shadowed and learnt from
- Impact for any given department performing reviews is likely to be in the order of hundreds of days
- Machine accuracy for a well trained classifier is in the order of 5% better than human, so quality of results, and therefore research, is improved



Impact

- There are many disparate efforts within the Schools to apply ML to Systematic Reviews, however they are poorly funded and require individuals familiar with ML to run them. There is significant duplication of effort
- Review time that is automated away leads directly to researchers being able to spend more time on actual research – substantially increasing research output for the University of Edinburgh
- Systematic Review is a necessary step before conducting research, and is viewed as a barrier to initiating research. Reduction in the size of the barrier means more, better research will be initiated

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AMR and litXpress



Run query on PubMed 'Poultry AND antibiotic* and *Intensive': 3 errors, 74 low confidence, 26 excluded

Example paper: Antimicrobial resistance among *Campylobacter* spp. strains isolated from different poultry production systems at slaughterhouse level

Labels: Species, Disease, Study date, Sample

The aim of the current work was to evaluate the prevalence and entimicrobial susceptibility of Camp [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 1.000] (##ylobacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.915] (spp [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.999]
##. isolated from different [chicken [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.999] poduction systems at the slaughterhouse level. [Chicken [Entity: SAMPLE TYPE, Score: 0.981] sampling at slaughterhouse was performed for cecum
carcass, and breast meat from flocks of organic (n = 6), extensive indoor (n = 14), and intensive production (n = 14), totaling 34 ceca pools, 64 neck skin pools, and 132 breasts, representing 96
##,3 [Entity: SAMPLE SIZE, Score: 0.549] ##86 (chickens [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.994]) ##. A collection of 167 [Entity: SAMPLE SIZE, Score: 0.990]) strains were identified as
Campylobacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.910] (coli [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.996] (n = 85) and (Camp [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 1.000] (##ylobacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.776] (jejuni [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.999]
(n = 82) and were tested for susceptibility to 11 antimicrobial agents by the disk diffusion [Entity: DIAGNOSTIC TEST, Score: 0.996] method [Entity: DIAGNOSTIC TEST, Score: 0.998] ##. The frequency of
Campyl [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.988]) ##obacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.899]) in chicken [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 1.000] samples from different production systems was between 79 and 100%.
Campylobacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.858]) is alated from all origins were resistant to the fluoroquinolones studied (80-98%). However, for ciprofloxacin and ofloxacin, the Campyl [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.987]
##obacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.890] isolates from extensive [Entity: PRODUCTION SYSTEM, Score: 0.998] indoor chicken [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.998] were significantly (P < 0.05) less resistant (77 and 58%)
than that from organic (97 and 91%) and intensive production (96 and 95%). A high probability of tetracycline resistance occurrence was also found for the Camp [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 1.000]
##ylobacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.852] (spp [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.999]) ##. tested (5 [Entity: SAMPLE SIZE, Score: 0.949]) ##8% for (C. [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.987]) (jejuni [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.999]) and
76 [Entity: SAMPLE SIZE, Score: 0.989] ##% for C. [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.996] (coli [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 1.000] ##). A more frequent profile of multidrug resistance was noticed for isolates from intensive and
organic production than for extensive indoor production. These results reinforce the need of efficient strategy implementation to control and reduce Campyl [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.892]
(##obacter [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.986]) in (chickens [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 1.000]) at production and slaughter levels, and the necessity to reduce the use of antimicrobials in
poultry [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.996]) sector.

Methods

METHODS Sampling and Isolation of Campyl [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.986]) ##obacter Different (chicken [Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.999]) flocks from organic (n = 6), extensive indoor (n = 14), and intensive production (n = 14), representing a total of 96,386 [Entity: SAMPLE SIZE, Score: 0.997]) (ord=[Entity: SPECIES, Score: 0.956]) ##, were sampled during the slaughter and deboning process from December 2007 to October [Entity: STUDY DATE, Score: 0.877]) (2008, [Entity: STUDY DATE, Score: 0.999]) according to ISO 17604:2003 (International Organization for Standardization, 2003) and the guidelines of The National Veterinary Institute (2010). Sampling was performed for cecum, carcass (neck: skin), and deboned poultry breast pieces, maintaining each flock's traceability. For each (chicken [Entity: STUDY DESIGN, Score: 1.000]) sampled, and the neck skins of 5 carcasses, after the inside-outside shower and before rapid cooling, were collected twice constituting 2 pool samples. A total of 34 ceca pools and 64 neck skin pool samples were collected. Four carcasses per flock were marked and, after deboning (performed according 1579 to industrial practices), their [breast [Entity: SAMPLE TYPE, Score: 0.642]] ## s were sampled (n = 132) and delivered to the laboratory in a commercial refrigerated vehicle. (Campyl [Entity: DISEASE, Score: 0.573]) ## obacter isolation was performed according to ISO 10272-1:2006 [International Organization for Standardization, 2006]. Bacterial strains were grown and purified on Columbia Blood agar (BioMerieux, Marcy l'Etoile, France), supplemented with 5%



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