Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology HST.952: Computing for Biomedical Scientists

Data and Knowledge Representation Lecture 6

Last Time We Talked About

- Ontology
- Data Model

Today We Will Talk About

- Medical vocabulary representation
- Survey of medical coding systems

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Terminology as Crucial Requirement

Without Terminology Standards...

- Health Data is non-comparable
- Health Systems cannot Interchange Data
- Secondary Uses (Research, Efficiency) are not possible
- Linkage to Decision Support Resources not Possible

Weights and Measures

- "The nomenclature is of as much importance in this department of inquiry, as weights and measures in the physical sciences, and should be settled without delay."
 - William Farr, about Cullenian system
 - First Annual Report of the Registrar-General of Births, Deaths,
 and Marriages in England. London: 1839 p. 99.

Vocabulary Representation Approaches

- List, Tree/Hierarchy, Multiple Tree
- Embed hierarchy information in identifier or not
- Pre-coordination, Post-coordination
- Description logic

Description Logic

- Describe the world in terms of "properties" or "constraints" that specific "individuals" have to satisfy
- Objects
- Concepts
- Roles

Example

- Represent the following concepts in a vocabulary
 - Flu
 - Pneumonia
 - Flu with Pneumonia
 - Infectious Disease
 - Respiratory Disease
 - Adult
 - Infant

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First Formal Health Data Model London Bills of Mortality

- Commissioned 1542 (1598)
- Intended to Track Plague (Black Death)
 - ~60 disease categories
 - Variously Defined
 - Collected by Parish Clerks (Chanters)
 - Irregularly Printed in Folio
 - Data Table Layout
 - 16th Century Spreadsheet

ICD

- International Classification of Diseases and its Clinical Modification
- First published in 1893 by Statistical International Institute
- Revised every 10+- years
 - ICD8 1967 (World Health Organization)
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Coding

- 3 digit code to represent core term
- 4th digit (in the first decimal place) to provide addition info.
 - Typically .0 to .7 are used for more specific forms of the core term
 - .8 is for "other"
 - .9 is for "unspecified"

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Combination Platter Coding in Diabetes Mellitus

Missing Severity

Not flexible

250.0	DM without mention complications
250.1	Diabetes with ketoacidosis
250.2	Diabetes with hyperosmilarity
250.3	Diabetes with other coma
250.4	Diabetes with renal manifestations
250.5	Diabetes with ophthalmic manifestations
250.5	Diabetes with neurological manifestations
250.7	Diabetes with peripheral circulatory disorders
250.8	Diabetes with other specified manifestation
250.9	Diabetes with unspecified complications

CM

- ICD-9 adopted by US National Center for Health Statistics (NCHC)
- Clinical Modification (CM) was made
- ICD-9-CM vs IC9
 - Compatible
 - Additional digits (4th and 5th) to provide extra levels of detail
- Most Diagnoses in US are coded in ICD-9-CM

ICD-10-CM

- Pre-release draft
- ICD-10-CM far exceeds its predecessors in the number of codes provided.
- The disease classification has been expanded to include health-related conditions
- Provide greater specificity at the sixth digit level and with a seventh digit extension.

ICD10-CM

A06 Amebiasis

- Includes:infection due to Entamoeba histolytica
- Excludes1:other protozoal intestinal diseases (A07.-)
- A06.0 Acute amebic dysentery
 - Acute amebiasis
 - Intestinal amebiasis NOS
- A06.1 Chronic intestinal amebiasis
- A06.2 Amebic nondysenteric colitis

DRG

- Diagnosis-Related Group
- Initially developed for billing purpose at Yale (1960s)
- Used for Medicare payment since 1980s
- Depend on ICD-9-CM
 - DRG codes need to be derived from ICD codes

Algorithm

 Algorithmic mapping from ICD based Data to DRG codes

clinical

- Distinguish cases base on factors that affect cost and length of stay
 - Severity of illness
 - Prognosis
 - Treatment difficulty
 - Need for intervention
 - Resource intensity administrative

DRG

Simple Pneumonia with minor complication, age greater than 17	89
Simple Pneumonia with no minor complication, age greater than 17	90
Respiratory disease with ventilator support	475
Respiratory disease with major chest operating room procedure and r	
complication or comorbidity	538
Respiratory disease, other respiratory system operating procedure and	d major
complication or comorbidity	539
Respiratory infection with major complication or comorbidity	540
Respiratory infection with secondary diagnosis of bronchopulmonary of	
	631
Respiratory infection with secondary diagnosis of cystic fibrosis	740

CPT

- Current Procedure Terminology
- Developed by American Medical Association

CPT

- Precoordinated coding scheme
 - "Endovascular repair of descending thoracic aortic aneurysm, pseudoaneurysm or dissection involving coverage of left subclavian artery origin, initial endoprosthesis, radiological supervision and interpretation"
- Diagnostic and therapeutic procedure
- For billing and reimbursements (public and private)
 - "withdraw of blood for diagnosis"
- Current version: CPT 4 (CPT 5 expected in 2003)

DSM

- Diagnostic and statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
- Developed by American Psychiatric Association
- Includes definition and diagnostic criteria
- Limited number of concepts
- Current Version: DSM-IV-R (1996)
 - Correspond to ICD10

DSM Tree

Anxiety Disorders

- <u>Acute Stress Disorder</u> (acute psychological consequences of previous trauma)
- Agoraphobia (generalized irrational fear)
- <u>Generalized Anxiety Disorder</u> (nonspecific anxiety)
- <u>Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder</u> (obessive thoughts and compulsive rituals)
- <u>Panic Disorder</u> (unprovoked panic attacks)
- <u>Posttraumatic Stress Disorder</u> (nonacute psychological consequences of previous trauma)
- Separation Anxiety Disorder
- Social Phobia (irrational fear of embarrassment)
- Specific Phobia (other specific irrational fears)

Childhood Disorders

- Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
- <u>Conduct Disorder</u> (the Antisocial Personality Disorder of Childhood)
- Oppositional Defiant Disorder (not only for children)

Anxiety Disorder

Diagnostic Criteria

- The person has been exposed to a traumatic event in which both of the following were present:
 - the person experienced, witnessed, or was confronted with an event or events that involved actual or threatened death or serious injury, or a threat to the physical integrity of self or others
 - the person's response involved intense fear, helplessness, or horror
- Either while experiencing or after experiencing the distressing event, the individual has three (or more) of the following dissociative symptoms:
 - a subjective sense of numbing, detachment, or absence of emotional responsiveness
 - a reduction in awareness of his or her surroundings (e.g., "being in a daze")
 - derealization
 - depersonalization
 - dissociative amnesia (i.e., inability to recall an important aspect of the trauma)

Anxiety Disorder

- The traumatic event is persistently reexperienced in at least one of the following ways: recurrent images, thoughts, dreams, illusions, flashback episodes, or a sense of reliving the experience; or distress on exposure to reminders of the traumatic event.
- Marked avoidance of stimuli that arouse recollections of the trauma (e.g., thoughts, feelings, conversations, activities, places, people).
- Marked symptoms of anxiety or increased arousal (e.g., difficulty sleeping, irritability, poor concentration, hypervigilance, exaggerated startle response, motor restlessness).
- The disturbance causes clinically significant distress or impairment in social, occupational, or other important areas of functioning or impairs the individual's ability to pursue some necessary task, such as obtaining necessary assistance or mobilizing personal resources by telling family members about the traumatic experience.
- The disturbance lasts for a minimum of 2 days and a maximum of 4 weeks and occurs within 4 weeks of the traumatic event.
- The disturbance is not due to the direct physiological effects of a substance (e.g., a drug of abuse, a medication) or a general medical condition, is not better accounted for by Brief Psychotic Disorder, and is not merely an exacerbation of a preexisting Axis I or Axis II disorder.

SNOMED

- Systematized Nomenclature of Human and Veterinarian Medicine
- Developed by the College of American Pathologists (1971)
- SNDO, SNOP, SNOMEDSNOMED
- SNOMED International
- SNOMED-RT (Reference Terminology)
- SNOMED-CT (merger with Read)

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SNOMED International

Chemicals, Drugs, and Biological Products	14,846	
Diseases/Diagnoses		35,834
Function		19,221
General Linkage/Modifiers		1,569
Living Organisms		24,614
Manufacturers of Pharmaceuticals Human/Vete	rinary	363
Morphology		5,875
Occupations		1,949
Physical Agents, Forces and Activities	1,600	
Procedures		30,723
Social context	1,013	
Topography		<u>12,936</u>
		150,343

Mother died of myocardial infarct

S-10120, S-13030, D3-15000

S-10120, F-A7860, T-32020, M-54700

SNOMED III - Coding Examples

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"D3-15000" "01" "Myocardial infarction, NOS" "(T-32020) (M-54700)"

T-32020 = Myocardium, NOS

M-54700 = Infarction, NOS

"D3-15010" "01" "Microinfarct of heart" "(T-32000) (M-54701)"

T-32000 = Heart, NOS

M-54701 = Focal Infarct
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SNOMED RT

Fully Specified Name: Myocardial infarction (disorder)

Concept ID:22298006

Definition:

Is a (attribute) Myocardial disease (disorder)

Is a (attribute) <u>Structural disorder of heart</u> (disorder)

Associated morphology (attribute) <u>Infarct</u> (morphologic abnormality)

Finding site (attribute) <u>Myocardium structure</u> (body structure)

SNOMED RT

Fully Specified Name: Heart disease in mother complicating pregnancy, childbirth AND/OR puerperium (disorder)

Concept ID: 78381004

Definition:

Is a (attribute) <u>Cardiac complication (disorder)</u>

Is a (attribute) Complication related to pregnancy (disorder)

Finding site (attribute) Heart structure (body structure)

Qualifiers:

Onset (attribute) Onsets (qualifier value)

Severity (attribute) <u>Severities</u> (qualifier value)

Episodicity (attribute) Episodicities (qualifier value)

Course (attribute) Courses (qualifier value)

SNOMED RT

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Fully Specified Name: Needle biopsy (procedure)
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Concept ID: 129249002

Definition:

Is a (attribute) Biopsy (procedure)

Method (attribute) <u>Biopsy - action (qualifier value)</u>

Using (attribute) <u>Biopsy needle, device (physical object)</u>

Qualifiers:

Priority (attribute) Priorities (qualifier value)

Appropriate values for the Priority (attribute) relationship type

<u>Deferred (qualifier value)</u>

<u>Denied (qualifier value)</u>

Elective (qualifier value)

Emergency (qualifier value)

<u>Immediate (qualifier value)</u>

Reclassified (qualifier value)

Reclassified and rescheduled (qualifier value)

Repeat elective (qualifier value)

Repeat emergency (qualifier value)

Rescheduled (qualifier value)

Routine (qualifier value)

Scheduled (qualifier value)

<u>Urgency (qualifier value)</u>

Read Clinical Codes

- Developed by James Read in the 80s
- Adopted by UK NHS in 1990
- Allows post-coordination
- Merged with SNOMED

READ

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182..A Y7CmDC P Chest pain
Xa0wWK Y7CmFC P Pleurodynia
182Z.A Y7CmGC P Chest pain NOS
Xa0wWK Y7CmIC S Painful breathing -pleurodynia
1826.A Y7CmJC P Parasternal pain
1823.A Y7CmLC P Precordial pain
1821.A Y7CmNC P Chest pain not present
X75rWC Y7CmYC P Pain in heart
1829.A Y7CmZC P Retrosternal pain
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Gabrieli Medical Nomenclature

- Single large hierarchy
- More complex terms as you move down
- Being adopted by ASTM as a standard

Nursing terminologies

- Many initiatives worldwide
- North American Nursing Diagnosis Association (NANDA) codes
- Nursing Outcomes Classification (NOC)
- Georgetown Home Health Care Classification (HHCC)
- Omaha System
 - Problems, interventions, outcomes

GALEN

- European initiative
- Reference model for medical concepts
- Formalism called Structured Meta Knowledge
 - Similar to description logic

LOINC

- Logical Observations, Identifiers, Names, Codes (LOINC)
- Consortium led by Clem McDonald and Stan Huff
- Originally lab results
- Now extended to include clinical observations
- Recently, merged into SNOMED

National Drug Codes

- Developed by FDA
- Widely used in US
- Codes based on drug manufacturer
- Codes have no class hierarchy
- Codes are reused at manufacturer's discretion
- Not useful for decision support

MeSH

- Medical Subject Headings
- Developed by NLM
- Indexes medical literature
 - Medline
- Terms are in hierarchies and appear in multiple places in hierarchies

MeSH

D011014: Pneumonia

D018410: Pneumonia, Bacterial

D007877: Legionnaires' Disease

D011018: Pneumonia, Pneumococcal

D011019: Pneumonia, Mycoplasma

D009175: Mycoplasma Infections

D011002: Pleuropneumonia,

Contagious

D011022: Pneumonia, Rickettsial

D011023: Pneumonia, Staphylococcal

Reading

- Cimino's paper on coding system
- http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd9.htm
- http://www.psychologynet.org/dsm.html
- http://www.loinc.org/
- http://www.fda.gov/cder/ndc/
- http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/features2002.htm
- http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/2K/MeSHtree.M.h tml