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Clustering of medical diagnoses

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Introduction

Multimorbidity:

- Same patient has multiple diagnoses / diseases.

Example: Diabetes and heart disease.

- Majority of costs in health care come from multimorbid patients
- Clustering of diagnoses could help understand multimorbidity.
- Better coordination of treatments for different diseases.

Patient data

Patient	Visit	Disease code	Disease
1234	2009-10-5	G47	Sleep disorders
1234	2009-12-22	G35	Multiple sclerosis
1234	2009-4-28	I10	Essential (primary) hypertension
1234	2009-6-12	J45	Asthma
1234	2009-6-22	J45	Asthma
1234	2009-7-25	C73	Malignant neoplasm of thyroid gland
1234	2010-10-11	E11	Type 2 diabetes mellitus
1234	2011-6-10	F22	Delusional disorders
1234	2010-12-3	N30	Cystitis
1234	2010-4-13	S19	Other specified and unspecified injuries of neck
1234	2011-9-7	I10	Essential (primary) hypertension
1234	2012-1-7	E11	Type 2 diabetes mellitus
1234	2012-1-10	F10	Alcohol related disorders
1234	2013-10-15	K70	Alcoholic liver disease

N = 9149, Total number of patients

Key concepts

Search:

chisq	o/e	observed	expected	num(A)	num(B)	p(A)	p(B)	A	B
147.52	11.75	15	1.28	365	32	0.0399	0.0035	G47, Sleep disorders	J96, Respiratory failure, not elsewhere classified
524.34	5.12	158	30.84	773	365	0.0845	0.0399	E66, Overweight and obesity	G47, Sleep disorders
28.35	3.93	13	3.31	83	365	0.0091	0.0399	F31, Bipolar disorder	G47, Sleep disorders
257.16	3.58	138	38.5	365	965	0.0399	0.1055	G47, Sleep disorders	J45, Asthma
55.8	3.34	34	10.17	365	255	0.0399	0.0279	G47, Sleep disorders	J44, Other chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

N = 9149, Total number of patients

num(A) = Number of patients having diagnosis A

Example: A = Sleep disorders, B = Asthma

num(A) = 365 have Sleep disorders

num(B) = 965 have Asthma

Probability of Sleep disorders, $p(A) = 365/9149 = 4\%$

Probability of asthma, $p(B) = 965/9149 = 10\%$

Key concepts: Expected vs. Observed

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Assuming statistical independence, expected number of patients with both asthma and sleep disorders:

$$\text{expected} = p(A) \cdot p(B) \cdot N = 10\% \cdot 4\% \cdot 9149 = 38$$

Actual observed number in data:

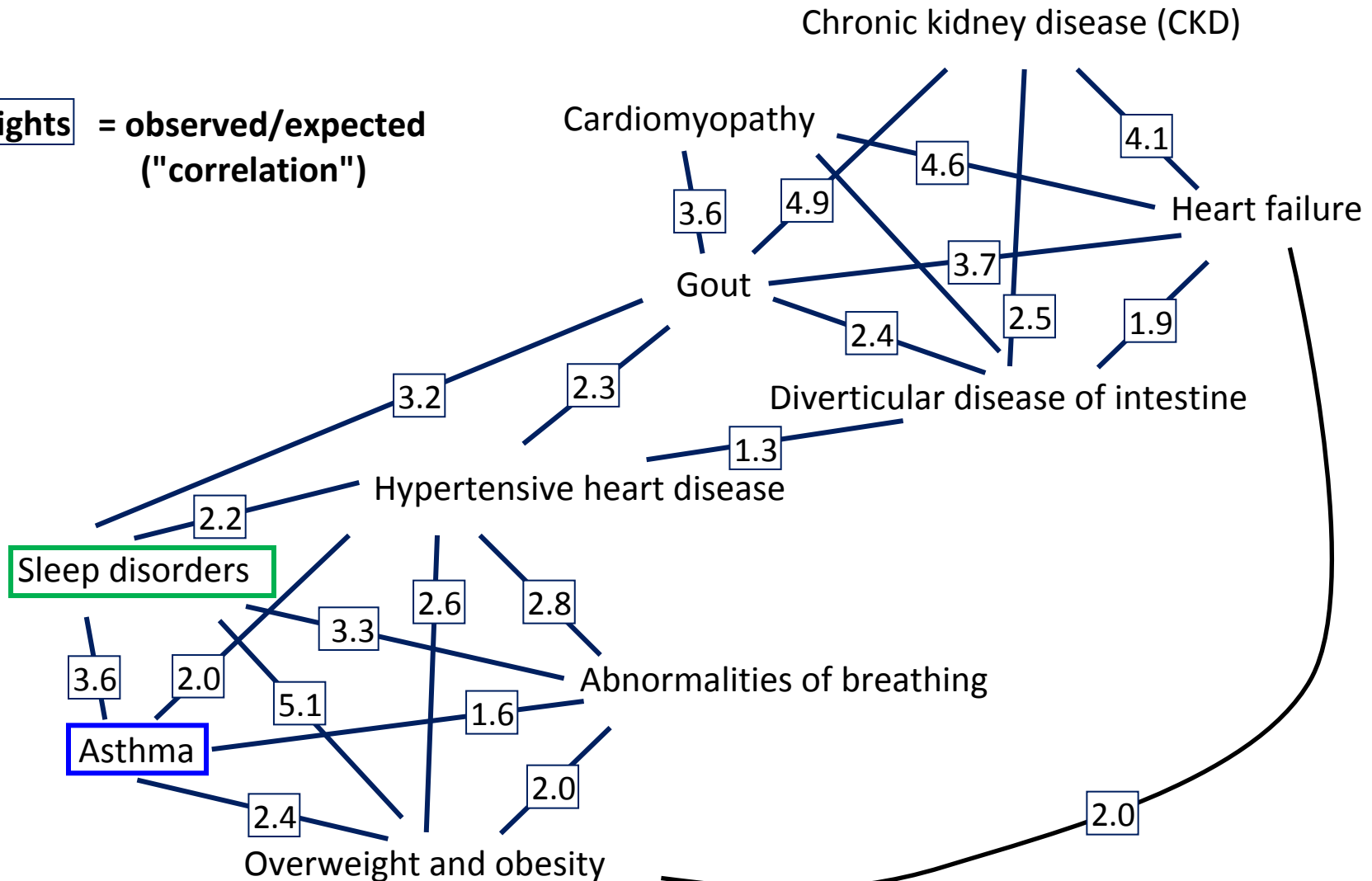
$$\text{observed} = 138$$

$$o/e = \text{observed} / \text{expected} = 138 / 38 = 3.6 \text{ times higher than expected}$$

Graph of diagnoses

(Subgraph of the 237 diagnoses)

weights = observed/expected
("correlation")



Objective function for clustering

W = sum of weights inside cluster

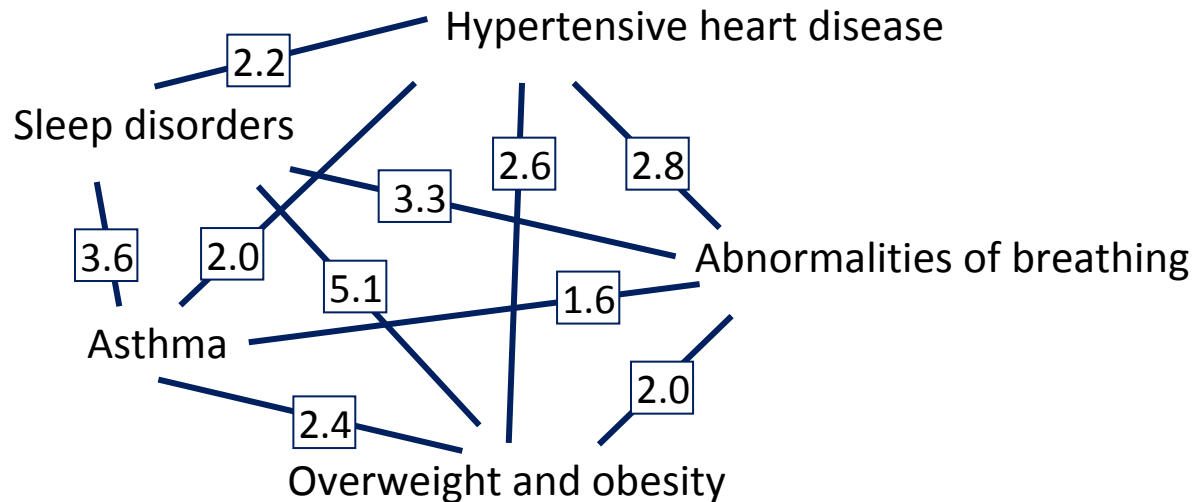
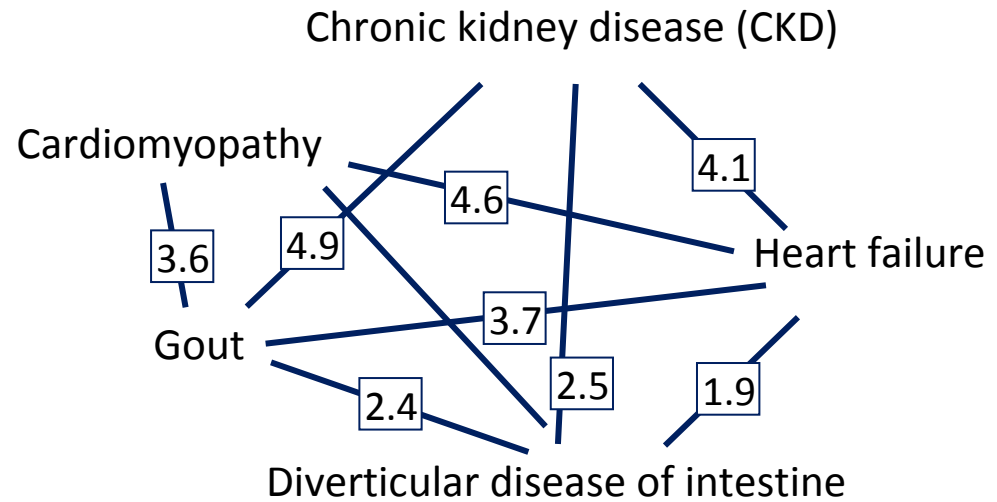
n = number of pairwise links

$f = \text{SUM}(W/n) = \text{Average weight inside all clusters}$

Maximize f using iterative optimization (work in progress)

Resulting clusters (2 out of 30)

weights = observed/expected
("correlation")



Result cluster 2/10

CLUSTER 2

	J96	G47	E66	J44	I11	J45	F17	E03	F10	F31	I87
J96		11.75	9.25	13.45	8.75	5.04					
G47	11.75		5.12	3.34	2.15	3.58		2.08		3.93	2.57
E66	9.25	5.12		2.69	2.58	2.37	2.93	1.88	1.56	2.14	2.14
J44	13.45	3.34	2.69		2.2	3.49	9.21	1.31	3.46		
I11	8.75	2.15	2.58	2.2		2.03	1.98	1.73			2.79
J45	5.04	3.58	2.37	3.49	2.03		1.59	1.8	1.25	1.71	1.79
F17			2.93	9.21	1.98	1.59			9.23		
E03		2.08	1.88	1.31	1.73	1.8				4.03	1.93
F10			1.56	3.46		1.25	9.23				
F31		3.93	2.14			1.71		4.03			
I87		2.57	2.14		2.79	1.79		1.93			

- J96 Respiratory failure, not elsewhere classified
- G47 Sleep disorders
- E66 Overweight and obesity
- J44 Other chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- I11 Hypertensive heart disease
- J45 Asthma
- F17 Nicotine dependence
- E03 Other hypothyroidism
- F10 Alcohol related disorders
- F31 Bipolar disorder
- I87 Other disorders of veins



Result cluster 3/10

CLUSTER 3

	Z96	H40	H35	H43	H34	H04	H25	
Z96		7.49	6.76	9.3	6.62	5.29	4.59	Z96 Presence of other functional implants
H40	7.49		3.67		10.66	8.51		H40 Glaucoma
H35	6.76	3.67		10.84			5.21	H35 Other retinal disorders
H43	9.3		10.84					H43 Disorders of vitreous body
H34	6.62	10.66						H34 Retinal vascular occlusions
H04	5.29	8.51						H04 Disorders of lacrimal system
H25	4.59		5.21					H25 Age-related cataract

Result cluster 1/10

CLUSTER 1

	I35	Z95	I50	I48	I25	I70	N18	M10	I36	I34	I21	I44	I42	K57	I71	I63	I69	F01	I49		
I35		3.55	3.65	2.42	1.93	1.99	1.88	1.97	15.72	10.0		2.53		2.17	4.12		1.63			I35 Nonrheumatic aortic valve disorders	
Z95	3.55		2.83	2.28	3.35	2.28	1.66	2.17		3.86	3.09	6.53	3.52	1.93	3.03	1.59	1.74		5.28	Z95 Presence of cardiac and vascular...	
I50	3.65	2.83		3.5	2.45	2.59	4.13	3.66		4.14	3.14	3.16	4.59	1.89		1.78	1.79	2.65	1.85	I50 Heart failure	
I48	2.42	2.28	3.5		1.78	1.8	2.16	2.4	6.0	3.78	1.61	2.07	2.34	1.62	1.66	2.38	2.2	1.99	3.29	I48 Atrial fibrillation and flutter	
I25	1.93	3.35	2.45	1.78		2.08	2.04	1.84	2.51	2.13	3.55	1.92	1.39	1.78	2.27	1.95	1.69	1.71	1.87	I25 Chronic ischemic heart disease	
I70	1.99	2.28	2.59	1.8	2.08		2.4	1.63			3.38	1.89	1.3	1.49	3.19	2.32	1.93	1.51		I70 Atherosclerosis	
N18	1.88	1.66	4.13	2.16	2.04	2.4		4.87			3.37			2.53		2.47	2.01			N18 Chronic kidney disease (CKD)	
M10	1.97	2.17	3.66	2.4	1.84	1.63	4.87						3.55	2.37						M10 Gout	
I36	15.72			6.0	2.51															I36 Nonrheumatic tricuspid valve disorders	
I34	10.0	3.86	4.14	3.78	2.13															I34 Nonrheumatic mitral valve disorders	
I21		3.09	3.14	1.61	3.55	3.38	3.37													I21 Acute myocardial infarction	
I44	2.53	6.53	3.16	2.07	1.92	1.89														I44 Atrioventricular and left bundle-br...	
I42		3.52	4.59	2.34	1.39	1.3		3.55												I42 Cardiomyopathy	
K57	2.17	1.93	1.89	1.62	1.78	1.49	2.53	2.37												K57 Diverticular disease of intestine	
I71	4.12	3.03		1.66	2.27	3.19														I71 Aortic aneurysm and dissection	
I63		1.59	1.78	2.38	1.95	2.32	2.47										7.05	6.14		I63 Cerebral infarction	
I69	1.63	1.74	1.79	2.2	1.69	1.93	2.01	1.31			1.52	1.53		1.57			7.05		4.6	1.82	I69 Sequelae of cerebrovascular disease
F01			2.65	1.99	1.71	1.51												6.14	4.6		F01 Vascular dementia
I49		5.28	1.85	3.29	1.87															1.82	I49 Other cardiac arrhythmias

Conclusions

- Currently different diagnoses are treated separately
- Treating a related diseases together can be more cost effective
- In training new doctors, could optimize skill sets based on how diagnoses are connected

