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**S3 Supplemental.** Lists of concepts that are prominent alongside verification when we apply content analysis to each decade's publications independently.

Concept prominences and frequencies pertaining to "Verification" in each decade. Content analysis was conducted on each decade using only that decade's publications from the Verification Corpus. Therefore, a total of six content analyses were conducted.

#### Concepts per decade.

| Decade | Number of prominent concepts identified with respect to verification each decade | Number of prominent concepts identified with respect to verification each decade with prominence greater than 0 |
|--------|--|---|
| 1960s  | 54   | 46  |
| 1970s  | 84   | 81  |
| 1980s  | 69   | 69  |
| 1990s  | 77   | 77  |
| 2000s  | 95   | 95  |
| 2010s  | 89   | 89  |

#### Notes

\* Values of 0 may appear as these concepts have non-0 values with respect to other concepts within their decade.

#### 1960s.

| Concept      | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
|--------------|---|--|
| verification | 66.826                                  | 46                                     |
| solution     | 8.449                                   | 11                                     |
| results      | 6.331                                   | 9                                      |
| analog       | 6.075                                   | 15                                     |
| method       | 5.503                                   | 7                                      |
| described    | 5.043                                   | 4                                      |
| case         | 4.950                                   | 4                                      |
| given        | 4.455                                   | 5                                      |
| logic        | 3.819                                   | 4                                      |
| work         | 3.819                                   | 4                                      |
| order        | 3.457                                   | 3                                      |
| example      | 3.398                                   | 3                                      |
| problem      | 2.688                                   | 7                                      |

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|--------------|-------|---|
| particular   | 2.673 | 2 |
| design       | 2.673 | 2 |
| available    | 2.638 | 3 |
| rate         | 2.522 | 2 |
| data         | 2.404 | 5 |
| machine      | 2.228 | 2 |
| output       | 2.056 | 4 |
| model        | 2.016 | 7 |
| computer     | 1.985 | 9 |
| simulation   | 1.946 | 6 |
| value        | 1.787 | 5 |
| used         | 1.694 | 9 |
| information  | 1.630 | 2 |
| dquo         | 1.604 | 3 |
| activity     | 1.530 | 3 |
| digital      | 1.412 | 3 |
| input        | 1.392 | 2 |
| social       | 1.337 | 1 |
| possible     | 1.285 | 1 |
| system       | 1.280 | 5 |
| Fortran      | 1.261 | 1 |
| individual   | 1.193 | 1 |
| level        | 1.133 | 1 |
| distribution | 1.114 | 1 |
| facility     | 1.096 | 1 |
| function     | 1.072 | 3 |
| bone         | 1.028 | 1 |
| error        | 0.997 | 1 |
| required     | 0.941 | 1 |
| time         | 0.857 | 4 |
| response     | 0.857 | 1 |
| process      | 0.548 | 1 |
| program      | 0.499 | 1 |
| control      | 0     | 0 |
| group        | 0     | 0 |
| operation    | 0     | 0 |
| behavior     | 0     | 0 |
| equipment    | 0     | 0 |
| during       | 0     | 0 |
| total        | 0     | 0 |
| event        | 0     | 0 |
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| Concept      | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
|--------------|---|--|
| verification | 95.569                                  | 153                                    |
| design       | 6.072                                   | 23                                     |
| results      | 5.188                                   | 31                                     |
| program      | 4.559                                   | 28                                     |
| test         | 4.518                                   | 13                                     |
| process      | 4.497                                   | 20                                     |
| software     | 4.364                                   | 10                                     |
| provide      | 4.247                                   | 10                                     |
| development  | 3.995                                   | 13                                     |
| techniques   | 3.869                                   | 10                                     |
| real         | 3.240                                   | 8                                      |
| simulation   | 3.025                                   | 51                                     |
| described    | 2.911                                   | 6                                      |
| complex      | 2.626                                   | 5                                      |
| computer     | 2.564                                   | 15                                     |
| performance  | 2.553                                   | 7                                      |
| model        | 2.526                                   | 75                                     |
| approach     | 2.515                                   | 6                                      |
| used         | 2.463                                   | 44                                     |
| analysis     | 2.440                                   | 12                                     |
| changes      | 2.320                                   | 10                                     |
| research     | 2.294                                   | 3                                      |
| study        | 2.285                                   | 6                                      |
| parameters   | 2.230                                   | 7                                      |
| include      | 2.223                                   | 4                                      |
| system       | 2.038                                   | 41                                     |
| required     | 2.033                                   | 8                                      |
| conditions   | 2.016                                   | 5                                      |
| work         | 1.977                                   | 3                                      |
| form         | 1.850                                   | 3                                      |
| output       | 1.833                                   | 7                                      |
| effects      | 1.826                                   | 3                                      |
| random       | 1.812                                   | 4                                      |
| user         | 1.798                                   | 7                                      |
| operation    | 1.707                                   | 4                                      |
| problem      | 1.688                                   | 10                                     |
| behavior     | 1.677                                   | 3                                      |
| large        | 1.641                                   | 4                                      |
| dynamic      | 1.629                                   | 3                                      |
| flow         | 1.580                                   | 4                                      |

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|--------------|-------|----|
| operations   | 1.525 | 3  |
| data         | 1.485 | 16 |
| specific     | 1.470 | 3  |
| modeling     | 1.457 | 5  |
| response     | 1.419 | 3  |
| available    | 1.377 | 5  |
| necessary    | 1.359 | 3  |
| area         | 1.309 | 5  |
| air          | 1.309 | 3  |
| information  | 1.298 | 5  |
| values       | 1.285 | 8  |
| structure    | 1.161 | 3  |
| simulated    | 1.151 | 3  |
| time         | 1.124 | 16 |
| times        | 1.107 | 3  |
| input        | 1.083 | 4  |
| line         | 1.068 | 2  |
| several      | 1.039 | 2  |
| important    | 0.985 | 2  |
| effect       | 0.923 | 2  |
| function     | 0.913 | 3  |
| variables    | 0.890 | 3  |
| control      | 0.817 | 4  |
| period       | 0.810 | 2  |
| cost         | 0.738 | 2  |
| distribution | 0.738 | 2  |
| level        | 0.700 | 2  |
| rate         | 0.693 | 2  |
| order        | 0.678 | 2  |
| decision     | 0.661 | 2  |
| points       | 0.637 | 1  |
| aircraft     | 0.534 | 1  |
| event        | 0.522 | 1  |
| size         | 0.519 | 1  |
| particular   | 0.483 | 1  |
| network      | 0.449 | 1  |
| method       | 0.440 | 1  |
| type         | 0.398 | 1  |
| possible     | 0.366 | 1  |
| total        | 0.355 | 1  |
| developed    | 0.302 | 1  |
| general      | 0     | 0  |
| service      | 0     | 0  |
| basic        | 0     | 0  |

| 1980s.       |   |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| Concept      | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
| verification | 43.482                                  | 888                                    |
| validation   | 10.795                                  | 251                                    |
| programming  | 2.980                                   | 44                                     |
| development  | 2.912                                   | 88                                     |
| computer     | 2.834                                   | 82                                     |
| application  | 2.700                                   | 48                                     |
| model        | 2.634                                   | 573                                    |
| process      | 2.623                                   | 137                                    |
| design       | 2.551                                   | 90                                     |
| analysis     | 2.549                                   | 101                                    |
| program      | 2.424                                   | 65                                     |
| tools        | 2.332                                   | 37                                     |
| study        | 2.183                                   | 49                                     |
| knowledge    | 2.149                                   | 39                                     |
| developed    | 2.062                                   | 46                                     |
| software     | 2.049                                   | 54                                     |
| method       | 1.920                                   | 51                                     |
| results      | 1.824                                   | 64                                     |
| complex      | 1.764                                   | 28                                     |
| based        | 1.738                                   | 41                                     |
| problem      | 1.729                                   | 81                                     |
| decision     | 1.725                                   | 38                                     |
| possible     | 1.699                                   | 41                                     |
| output       | 1.687                                   | 49                                     |
| simulation   | 1.537                                   | 229                                    |
| work         | 1.495                                   | 26                                     |
| general      | 1.452                                   | 32                                     |
| base         | 1.424                                   | 30                                     |
| used         | 1.401                                   | 173                                    |
| behavior     | 1.367                                   | 36                                     |
| user         | 1.364                                   | 45                                     |
| data         | 1.347                                   | 87                                     |
| support      | 1.344                                   | 25                                     |
| structure    | 1.343                                   | 31                                     |
| information  | 1.335                                   | 43                                     |
| input        | 1.277                                   | 35                                     |
| language     | 1.248                                   | 39                                     |
| area         | 1.185                                   | 16                                     |
| different    | 1.178                                   | 36                                     |
| system       | 1.165                                   | 181                                    |



| <b>1990s.</b>  |   |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| Concept        | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
| verification   | 22.997                                  | 5015                                   |
| validation     | 20.908                                  | 3302                                   |
| M&s            | 2.933                                   | 156                                    |
| test           | 2.858                                   | 694                                    |
| model          | 2.535                                   | 2559                                   |
| development    | 2.153                                   | 533                                    |
| implementation | 2.112                                   | 207                                    |
| results        | 2.068                                   | 417                                    |
| requirements   | 2.049                                   | 312                                    |
| behavior       | 2.018                                   | 252                                    |
| process        | 1.983                                   | 778                                    |
| application    | 1.904                                   | 223                                    |
| problem        | 1.859                                   | 315                                    |
| design         | 1.778                                   | 338                                    |
| analysis       | 1.683                                   | 366                                    |
| approach       | 1.675                                   | 265                                    |
| structure      | 1.608                                   | 174                                    |
| support        | 1.581                                   | 294                                    |
| program        | 1.566                                   | 185                                    |
| software       | 1.563                                   | 294                                    |
| output         | 1.553                                   | 198                                    |
| research       | 1.550                                   | 188                                    |
| data           | 1.539                                   | 743                                    |
| include        | 1.530                                   | 209                                    |
| computer       | 1.509                                   | 162                                    |
| simulation     | 1.454                                   | 1577                                   |
| distributed    | 1.418                                   | 154                                    |
| developed      | 1.414                                   | 209                                    |
| used           | 1.401                                   | 1134                                   |
| tools          | 1.252                                   | 264                                    |
| system         | 1.248                                   | 966                                    |
| modeling       | 1.241                                   | 228                                    |
| current        | 1.231                                   | 136                                    |
| described      | 1.219                                   | 121                                    |
| resources      | 1.200                                   | 101                                    |
| including      | 1.198                                   | 90                                     |
| project        | 1.180                                   | 135                                    |
| level          | 1.174                                   | 195                                    |
| conditions     | 1.137                                   | 86                                     |
| provide        | 1.130                                   | 394                                    |



| <b>2000s.</b>  |   |  |
|----------------|---|--|
| Concept        | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
| verification   | 26.359                                  | 9697                                   |
| validation     | 25.043                                  | 6811                                   |
| effort         | 2.577                                   | 348                                    |
| model          | 2.253                                   | 4404                                   |
| development    | 2.243                                   | 1030                                   |
| test           | 2.237                                   | 584                                    |
| M&s            | 2.229                                   | 446                                    |
| results        | 2.221                                   | 891                                    |
| requirements   | 2.199                                   | 653                                    |
| process        | 2.186                                   | 1837                                   |
| activities     | 2.122                                   | 362                                    |
| team           | 2.015                                   | 263                                    |
| program        | 1.960                                   | 336                                    |
| design         | 1.872                                   | 567                                    |
| knowledge      | 1.795                                   | 310                                    |
| analysis       | 1.791                                   | 727                                    |
| simulation     | 1.761                                   | 3239                                   |
| output         | 1.741                                   | 308                                    |
| implementation | 1.737                                   | 303                                    |
| behavior       | 1.727                                   | 431                                    |
| modeling       | 1.679                                   | 729                                    |
| developed      | 1.633                                   | 436                                    |
| software       | 1.616                                   | 494                                    |
| application    | 1.600                                   | 567                                    |
| data           | 1.545                                   | 1298                                   |
| study          | 1.498                                   | 333                                    |
| support        | 1.461                                   | 461                                    |
| tools          | 1.456                                   | 552                                    |
| used           | 1.452                                   | 2387                                   |
| approach       | 1.426                                   | 447                                    |
| project        | 1.415                                   | 291                                    |
| quality        | 1.404                                   | 186                                    |
| include        | 1.387                                   | 295                                    |
| problem        | 1.353                                   | 360                                    |
| degree         | 1.325                                   | 132                                    |
| research       | 1.323                                   | 347                                    |
| areas          | 1.303                                   | 148                                    |
| described      | 1.303                                   | 216                                    |
| user           | 1.295                                   | 269                                    |
| engineering    | 1.273                                   | 170                                    |

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|--------------|-------|------|
| available    | 1.261 | 297  |
| system       | 1.244 | 1780 |
| experience   | 1.232 | 130  |
| dynamics     | 1.200 | 186  |
| provide      | 1.161 | 526  |
| level        | 1.154 | 404  |
| complex      | 1.141 | 205  |
| work         | 1.131 | 306  |
| structure    | 1.107 | 211  |
| agents       | 1.104 | 231  |
| current      | 1.078 | 227  |
| training     | 1.075 | 206  |
| form         | 1.050 | 142  |
| input        | 1.043 | 168  |
| components   | 1.020 | 343  |
| architecture | 1.018 | 156  |
| method       | 1.009 | 162  |
| performance  | 0.983 | 336  |
| type         | 0.982 | 170  |
| product      | 0.958 | 345  |
| cost         | 0.953 | 154  |
| information  | 0.947 | 408  |
| scenario     | 0.939 | 154  |
| execution    | 0.925 | 163  |
| case         | 0.909 | 257  |
| distributed  | 0.881 | 183  |
| standard     | 0.875 | 146  |
| operations   | 0.869 | 147  |
| order        | 0.858 | 242  |
| environment  | 0.853 | 253  |
| management   | 0.848 | 179  |
| area         | 0.834 | 115  |
| HLA          | 0.799 | 163  |
| capabilities | 0.791 | 138  |
| variables    | 0.767 | 111  |
| group        | 0.711 | 77   |
| control      | 0.707 | 171  |
| technology   | 0.703 | 87   |
| value        | 0.688 | 215  |
| increase     | 0.687 | 85   |
| time         | 0.669 | 585  |
| service      | 0.647 | 159  |
| entity       | 0.620 | 86   |
| resources    | 0.607 | 96   |



| 2010s.       |   |  |
|--------------|---|--|
| Concept      | Prominence with respect to verification | Frequency with respect to verification |
| verification | 58.124                                  | 2991                                   |
| validation   | 17.138                                  | 1548                                   |
| M&s          | 4.163                                   | 255                                    |
| training     | 4.026                                   | 199                                    |
| requirements | 3.831                                   | 269                                    |
| program      | 3.280                                   | 110                                    |
| development  | 3.116                                   | 361                                    |
| test         | 3.010                                   | 202                                    |
| tool         | 2.486                                   | 139                                    |
| engineering  | 2.384                                   | 109                                    |
| support      | 2.381                                   | 196                                    |
| process      | 2.195                                   | 520                                    |
| software     | 2.169                                   | 162                                    |
| code         | 2.123                                   | 90                                     |
| provide      | 2.079                                   | 272                                    |
| analysis     | 1.957                                   | 261                                    |
| include      | 1.922                                   | 207                                    |
| developed    | 1.921                                   | 155                                    |
| results      | 1.911                                   | 278                                    |
| application  | 1.880                                   | 125                                    |
| model        | 1.879                                   | 1385                                   |
| design       | 1.860                                   | 201                                    |
| standard     | 1.845                                   | 148                                    |
| modeling     | 1.804                                   | 258                                    |
| behavior     | 1.704                                   | 150                                    |
| simulation   | 1.691                                   | 864                                    |
| project      | 1.672                                   | 123                                    |
| data         | 1.662                                   | 437                                    |
| method       | 1.642                                   | 195                                    |
| decision     | 1.603                                   | 127                                    |
| environment  | 1.583                                   | 129                                    |
| components   | 1.425                                   | 85                                     |
| used         | 1.411                                   | 702                                    |
| approach     | 1.393                                   | 170                                    |
| information  | 1.359                                   | 162                                    |
| system       | 1.353                                   | 601                                    |
| structure    | 1.342                                   | 91                                     |
| distributed  | 1.306                                   | 60                                     |
| framework    | 1.300                                   | 80                                     |
| based        | 1.275                                   | 186                                    |

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|-------------|-------|-----|
| complex     | 1.233 | 90  |
| output      | 1.232 | 80  |
| scenario    | 1.220 | 75  |
| social      | 1.211 | 59  |
| management  | 1.190 | 83  |
| performance | 1.190 | 122 |
| study       | 1.164 | 112 |
| level       | 1.159 | 134 |
| problem     | 1.050 | 93  |
| group       | 1.043 | 44  |
| operations  | 1.042 | 51  |
| elements    | 1.016 | 52  |
| order       | 0.989 | 108 |
| input       | 0.951 | 61  |
| degree      | 0.946 | 29  |
| research    | 0.945 | 94  |
| dynamics    | 0.891 | 54  |
| control     | 0.880 | 73  |
| event       | 0.861 | 89  |
| parameters  | 0.856 | 62  |
| cost        | 0.852 | 48  |
| individual  | 0.817 | 46  |
| case        | 0.802 | 84  |
| service     | 0.782 | 62  |
| different   | 0.780 | 122 |
| area        | 0.777 | 39  |
| effect      | 0.773 | 37  |
| agents      | 0.743 | 77  |
| market      | 0.719 | 27  |
| energy      | 0.703 | 33  |
| type        | 0.657 | 36  |
| time        | 0.649 | 174 |
| change      | 0.643 | 42  |
| resources   | 0.638 | 59  |
| variables   | 0.635 | 39  |
| value       | 0.624 | 84  |
| policy      | 0.608 | 39  |
| function    | 0.568 | 34  |
| network     | 0.526 | 39  |
| production  | 0.454 | 27  |
| supply      | 0.451 | 21  |
| algorithm   | 0.447 | 19  |
| population  | 0.437 | 19  |
| patients    | 0.400 | 20  |

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|--------------|-------|----|
| rate         | 0.344 | 17 |
| water        | 0.344 | 8  |
| distribution | 0.341 | 19 |
| power        | 0.289 | 13 |
| demand       | 0.238 | 12 |