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- Learning to Extract Symbolic Knowledge from the WWW
- Discovering Conceptual Relations from Text
- Extracting Semantic Relationships between Terms

Learning to Extract Symbolic Knowledge from the WWW

CMU World Wide Knowledge Base (Web->KB) project

The approach explored in this research is to develop a trainable system that can be taught to extract various types of information by automatically browsing the Web. This system accepts two types of inputs:

- 1. An ontology specifying the classes and relations of interest.
- 2. Training examples that represent instances of the ontology classes and relations.





Experimental Testbed	
 Domain: computer science departments Ontology includes the following classes: Department, Faculty, Staff, Student, Research.Project, Course, Other. Each of the classes has a set of slots defining relations that exist among instances of the given class and other class instances in the ontology. Two data sets: 4.127 pages and 10.945 hyperlinks drawn from four CS departments 4.120 additional pages from numerous other CS departments 	
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Extracting Text Fields

In some cases, the information will not be represented by Web pages or relations among pages, but it will be represented by small fragments of text embedded in pages.

Information-extraction learning algorithm SRV

- Input: a set of pages labeled to identify instances of the field wanted to extract
- Output: a set of information-extraction rules
- Positive example is a labeled text fragment a sequence of tokens – in one of the training documents
- Negative example is any unlabeled token sequence having the same size as some positve example







The Crawler

- A Web-crawling system that populates a knowledge base with class and relation instances as it explores the Web.The system incorporates trained classifiers for the three learning tasks: recognizing class instances, recognizing relation instances and extracting text fields.
- The crawler employs a straightforward strategy to browse the Web.
- After exploring 2722 Web pages, the crawler extracted 374 new class instances and 361 new relation instances.

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Correct Accuracy	130	-00				1	23	125	213
Accuracy		40	194	72	25	1	18	92	181
	72%	42%	79%	73%	89%	100%	78%	74%	85%
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Extracting Semantic Relationships between Terms: Supervised vs. Unsupervised Methods

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3. Find sentences in which conceptually related terms occur.

- sentences are lemmatized, and noun phrases are identified.
- sentences are represented as lexico-syntactic expressions.

For instance, the relation HYPERNYM(vulnerable area, neocortex) is used to extract from the corpus [Medic] the sentence:

Neuronal damage were found in the selectively <u>vulnerable</u> <u>areas</u> such as <u>neocortex</u>, striatum, hippocampus and thalamus.

The sentence is then transformed into the following lexicosyntactic expression:

NP find in <u>NP</u> such as <u>LIST</u>

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4. Find a common environment that generalizes the lexicosyntactic expressions extracted at the third step. This environment is calculated with the help of a measure of similarity and a procedure of generalization that produce candidate lexico-syntactic pattern.

For instance, from the previous expression, and another similar one, the following candidate lexico-syntactic pattern is deduced:

<u>NP</u> such as <u>LIST</u>

5. Validate candidate lexico-syntactic patterns by an expert

6. Use new patterns to extract more pairs of candidate terms

7. Validate candidate pairs of terms by an expert, and go to step 3.

Through this technique, lexico-syntactic patterns are extracted from a technical corpus. These patterns are then exploited by the information extractor that produces pairs of conceptual related terms.

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Automatic Classification of Lexico-syntactic Patterns

Step 4. of the described algorithm acquires automatically lexico-syntactic patterns by clustering similar patterns. As indicated in step 3. the relation HYPERNYM(vulnerable area, neocortex) instantiate the pattern:

NP find in <u>NP</u> such as <u>LIST</u> From the relation HYPERNYM(complication, infection) and the sentence:

therapeutic complications such as infection, recurrence, and loss of support of the articular surface have continued to plague the treatment of giant cell turmor is extracted through corpus exploration; a second lexico-syntactic expression is produced:

<u>NP</u> such as <u>List</u> continue to plague NP

This lexico-syntactic expressions can be abstracted as:

$$A = A_1 A_2 \dots A_j \dots A_k \dots A_n \text{ with } \begin{cases} \text{RELATION}(A_j, A_k) \\ k > j+1 \end{cases}$$

and:

$$B = B_1 B_2 \dots B_{j'} \dots B_{k'} \dots B_{n'} \text{ with } \begin{cases} \text{RELATION}(B_{j'}, B_{k'}) \\ k' > j' + 1 \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{split} Sim(A,B) &= \sum_{i=1}^{3} Sim(Win_{i}(A), Win_{i}(B)) \\ \text{with} \\ \begin{cases} Win_{1}(A) &= A_{1}A_{2}\cdots A_{j-1} \\ Win_{2}(A) &= A_{j+1}\cdots A_{k-1} \\ Win_{3}(A) &= A_{k+1}\cdots A_{n} \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} Win_{1}(B) &= B_{1}B_{2}\cdots B_{j-1} \\ Win_{2}(B) &= B_{j+1}\cdots B_{k-1} \\ Win_{3}(B) &= B_{k+1}\cdots B_{n} \end{cases} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

The function of similarity between lexico-syntactic patterns Sim(Wini(A), Wini(B)) is defined experimentally as function of the longest common string.
All lexico-syntactic expressions are compared two by two previous similarity measure, and similar lexico-syntactic expressions are clustered. Each cluster is associated with a candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern. For instance, the sentences introduced earlier generate the unique candidate lexico-syntactic pattern.

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Multi-word term recognition methods are used for finding relationships between terms. In particular, similar association measures that in previous literature(Daille, 1996; Smadja, 1923) were used for term and collocation extraction are implemented in this work for extracting relations between terms.

The system requires only few manual definitions and avoids the need to know the relevant lexico-syntactic pattern in advance.



Term Typing an Filtering

- This stage is intended to determine which terms become in focus, since the extraction process yields enormous mumber of term candidates.
- Using a predefined list of term types, some terms are typed and become in focus regardless of their distributional properties.
- Others are scored according to classical scoring criteria in order to filter out non-relavant combinations

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Defined Term Types 1. Merger terms: 1. terms containing the substring "merge", which refer to merger events. 2. Example: merger agreement, merger of airline, and announce merger. 2. Product terms: 1. terms that form a product. 2. Example, the object in a VB-OBJ term where VB = ,,produce"(oil in produce oil) and the last noun in a N-PREP-N term where the first noun is "procuction" and PREP = "of" (camera in production of camera). 3. Company-Name terms: 1. proper names containing substrings that tend to appear within company names like "Ltd" "Corp", "Co" and "Inc". For example: Lloyds Bank NZA Ltd. And Utah International Inc. 2. The assumption is that finding term types is not difficult using local cues and predefined list of types. 40

Term Associations and Labeling Associations

• Relationships between terms are identified according to cooccurrences association calculation. The relationships differ by two factors:

- Types of co-occurrences: some relations are better identified using term co-occurrences in joint sentences, while for others cooccurrences in joint documents give better results.
- Types of scores: Mutual Information for example, discriminates in favor of rare events while Log Likelihood behaves in an opposite way, thus different association measures can identify different conceptual relations.

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Company-Name	Product	Score
U.S. Group CPC International	corn	47.07
Lex Vehicle Lease Ltd.	car	18.59
McDonnell Douglas Corp	aircraft	15.86
Heinz-UFE Ltd.	cereal	13.68
Alliant Computer System Corp	software	10.32
Honda Motor Corp	car	9.28
McDonnell Douglas Corp	jet	8.50

Table 1: Relationships between Company-Name terms and Product terms

Company-Name	Company-Name	Merger	Score
Alpha Health Systems Corp	REPH Acquisition Co	merger proposal	30.88
MTS Acquisition Corp	Seton Co	plan of merger	30.88
Bristol-Myers Co	SciMed Life Systems Inc	agreement of merger	16.43
Comdata Network Inc	Lambert Inc	finance merger	16.43
Electrospace Systems Inc	Chrysler Corp	merger agreement	16.43
Industries Inc	Hayes-Albion Corp	vote on merger	16.43
Trust Co	Independence Ban Corp	complete merger	16.43

Table 2: Relationships between Merger terms and Company-Name terms



Then, all instances of those patterns were extracted from the corpus, and PROMETHEE incrementally learned more patterns for the Merge relation. The new patterns learned were:

CN₁ said it complete * acquisition of CN₂ Chubb Corp said it completed the previously announced acquisition of Sovereign Corp

 CN_1 said it shareholder * CN_2 approve * merger of the two company INTERCO Inc said its shareholders and shareholders of the Lane Co approved the merger of the two companies

CN₁ said it shareholder approve * merger with CN₂ Fair Lanes Inc said its shareholders approved the previously announced merger with Maricorp Inc a unit of Northern Pacific Corp

CN₁ said it agree * to (acquire|buy|merge with) CN₂ Datron Corp said it agreed to merge with GGFH Inc a Florida-based company formed by the four top officers of the company

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101 pairs of terms (class A) conceptually related have been extracted from the corpus.

The second experiment was performed on the integrated system. At first, Merger terms and Company-Name terms were extracted from the corpus. For the 350 Merger terms (*e.g. merger talk, approve merger, merger transaction*) and 4500 Company-Name terms (*e.g. Texas Bancshare Inc, Bank of England*) that were found, a ranked list of 263 conceptually related triples within the Merge relation was generated using an automatic relationship identification module.

Each triple included the merger description and two companies. The triples became pairs by leaving only the two related company names to be given as initial training input to the learning system (class C). The PROMETHEE system discovered again patterns 1, 3,4, 5, 6, and a new pattern:

 CN_1 said it sign * to (acquire|buy|merge with) CN_2 Dauphin Deposit Corp said it signed a definitive agreement to acquire Colonial Bancorp Inc









The algorithm computes association rules

 $X_k \Rightarrow Y_k(X_k, Y_k \subset C, X_k \cap Y_k = \{\})$ such that measures for support and confidence exceed user-defined thresholds.

Support of a rule $X_k \Rightarrow Y_k$ is the percentage of transactions that contain $X_k \cup Y_k$ as a subset.

Confidence for $X_k \Rightarrow Y_k$ is defined as the percentage of transactions that Y_k is seen when X_k appears in a transaction







- 2. Determine support for all association rules $X_k \Rightarrow Y_k$, wobei $|X_k| = |Y_k| = 1$.
- 3. Determine confidence for all association rules $X_k \Rightarrow Y_k$ that exceed user-defined support in step 2.
- 4. Output association rules that exceed user-defined confidence in step 3 and that are not pruned bz ancestral rules with higher or equal confidence and support.

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	Confidence					
Support	0.01	0.1	0.2	0.4		
0.0001	2429 / 0.55	865/0.57	485/0.57	238/0.51		
	66% / 2%	31% / 3%	18% / 3%	2%/1%		
0.0005	1544/0.57	651/0.59	380 / 0.58	198/0.5		
	59% / 3%	30% / 4%	17% / 4%	1%/1%		
0.002	889/0.6	426 / 0.61	245/0.61	131/0.52		
	47% / 5%	27% / 6%	16%/6%	1%/1%		
0.01	342 / 0.64	225/0.64	143 / 0.64	74 / 0.53		
	31%/8%	19% / 8%	14% / 8%	1%/1%		
0.04	98/0.67	96 / 0.67	70/0.65	32/0.51		
	13% / 11%	11% / 10%	6% / 7%	0% / 0%		
0.06	56/0.63	56 / 0.63	48/0.62	30/0.53		
	6%/9%	6% / 9%	3% / 6%	0% / 0%		