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Systems using IE with relevant tasks

- A taxonomy of relational patterns with semantic types
- Systematically harvest textual patterns from text corpora

Large resource of relational patterns

- Large collection of relations
- Arranged by synonyms and into subsumptions
- Collection of relations learned automatically from text





- Entity: perceived or known or inferred to have its own distinct existence (living or nonliving)
- Subsume: classify, include, or incorporate in a more comprehensive category or under a general principle
- Thesaurus: list of words and terms utilized in order to represent certain concepts
- Synsets: stores semantically relationships between sets of synonyms

- Relationships between entities are expressed merely in latent form on the Web
- A priori unknown and need to be discovered in an unsupervised manner
- Comprehensively gathering and systematically organizing patterns for an open set of relations



Automatically mining new relations from the Web

- Relationships between entities are expressed in highly diverse and noisy forms in natural-language text
- Approaches can detect and disambiguate named entities in text or tables





- Patterns are organized into synonyms and subsumptions
- Patterns are semantically typed and organized into a taxonomy
- Extract binary relations between entities based on patterns in textual or semistructured contents
- Organizes a huge number of relational patterns into sets of synonymous patterns, and into a subsumption hierarchy



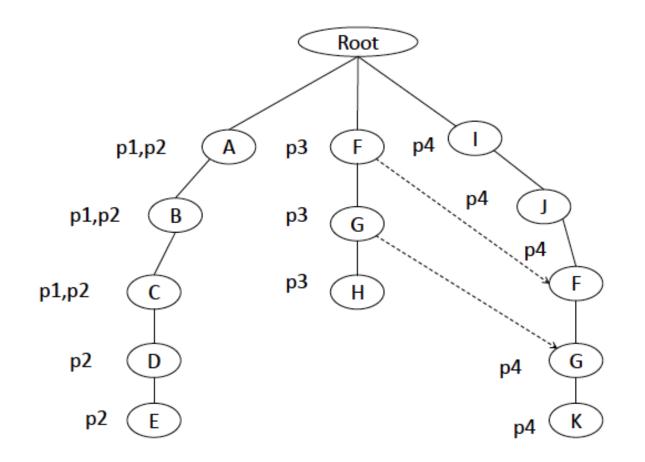
Make use of a generalized notion of ontologically typed patterns

What is a pattern?

(X) relationship with (Y)

Samples:

(Politician) was governor of (State) (Actor × Movie) The patterns are semantically typed and organized into a subsumption taxonomy





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- Instances are always leaf (terminal) nodes in their hierarchies
- All noun hierarchies ultimately go up the root node (entity)
- **Hyperonym:** The super-subordinate relation
- **Meronymy:** The part-whole relation holds between synsets. E.g. {chair} and {back, backrest}

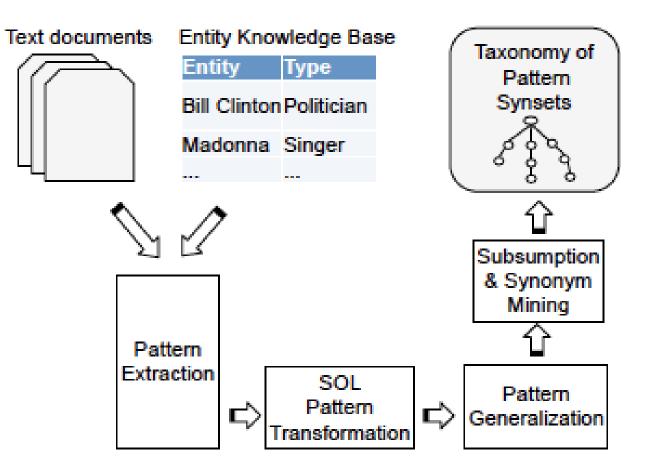




- hasAcademicAdvisor relation, simply by typing "worked under" into the search box
- hasWonPrize relation, was honored with, receive entity pairs such as (Bill Clinton, Arkansas), (Janet Napolitano, Arizona)
- Generalize actor _ award and musician _ award → person _ award
- (Amy,Rehab) → "Amy sings Rehab"

- Implemented in Java
- Hadoop as the platform for large-scale text and data analysis
- MongoDB for storing all resulting data
- Stanford NLP tool suite for linguistic processing
- AJAX for asynchronous communication with the server

System Overview



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1) Pattern extraction

- Output of pattern extraction are patterns extracted from paths of grammatical dependency graphs
- This information is used later for transforming basic patterns into SOL patterns

2) Pattern typing

- Generate typed patterns by attaching a type signature to each pattern
- Obtain the semantic types of the entities from our knowledge base



- Transform plain patterns into syntactic-ontological lexical patterns
- Decompose textual patterns into n-grams (n consecutive words)
- Generate type signatures for these n-gram patterns
- Only frequent n-grams in corpus are retained in the SOL patterns, the rest replaced by wild-cards



3) Synset generation

- Generalize the patterns, both syntactically and semantically
- We group synonymous typed patterns into synonym sets, pattern synsets
- 4) Subsumption and synonym mining
- Relations between pattern synsets
- Arrange patterns into groups of synonyms and in a hierarchy based on hyperonym relations between patterns





Part of The YAGO-NAGA project

- Huge semantic knowledge base with almost 10 million entities (e.g. persons, organizations, cities)
- Derived from Wikipedia, WordNet and GeoNames
- Comprehensive repository of human knowledge

Pre-defined knowledge base as input



Relation taxonomies from three different corpora

- Taxonomy derived from Wikipedia contains over 350,000 pattern synsets (June 2011 Version)
- The New York Times version contains ~ 80, 000 pattern synsets





- The graph of subsumption relations might contain cycles, which have to be eliminated
- SOL methodology
- Antonyms, synonyms





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Discover relationships between entities

- Assessing the truthfulness of search results or statements in social media
- Understanding in the challenging task of question answering
- Support automatic text analysis and IA applications



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- Can boost IE and knowledge-base population tasks by its rich and clean repository of paraphrases for the relations
- Improve Open IE by associating type signatures with patterns
- Produce a combination of dictionary and thesaurus, which usage might be more intuitive

Disadvantages

- The most expensive part is pattern extraction
- Limited to certain complex queries

Advantages

- Has implicitly summarized the input text documents, users can exploit and query these summaries
- Different from existing systems, the user does not have to know the schema of the database

Training

We can identify subsumptions between relational patterns
"covered" is subsumed by "performed"

- Discriminate patterns that can denote different relations based on their type
 "covered" can refer to musician _ song or to journalist _ event
- The user can restrict the domain of the relation Results with domains (music example)

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- To see what PATTY knows about Albert Einstein in his role as a scientist
- User can type Natalie Portman ?r ?x, Mila Kunis ?s
 ?x. This will find all entities ?x
- PATTY finds the movie "Black Swan" for ?x , and says that both actresses appeared in this movie
- Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman are related, it is sufficient to type

User can enter Subject-Predicate-Object triples

- Users can browse the different meanings of patterns, as they occur with different types of entities
- Subsumption hierarchy of patterns, where more general patterns subsume more specific patterns

https://d5gate.ag5.mpi-sb.mpg.de/pattyweb/

- Subsumptions have a sampling-based accuracy of 83%
- 85% of the patterns are correct in the sense that they denote meaningful relations
- Wikipedia consists of about 350,000 typed-pattern synsets organized in a hierarchy with 8,162 subsumptions
- Music domain Out of 169 ground-truth relations, PATTY contains 126

- ReVerb patterns for Open IE are fairly noisy and connect noun phrases rather than entities
- NELL is limited to a few hundred pre-specified relations
- None of the prior approaches knows the ontological types of patterns

- PATTY's patterns contribute added value beyond today's knowledge bases
- Enriching Web data (both text and tables)
- Extract antonyms, where one relation is the opposite of another
- Future research inspire new applications in information extraction, QA, and text understanding

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