09 – Automatic relation extraction IA161 Advanced Techniques of Natural Language Processing

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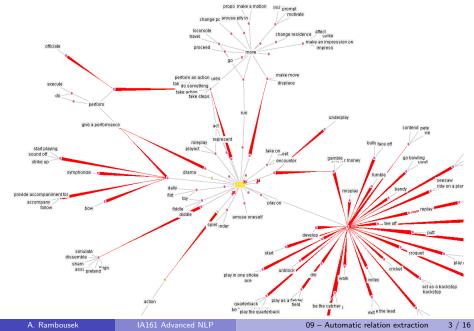




- Pattern-based approach
- Distributional approach



Automatic relation extraction



Why would you do that?

- semantic analysis
- query expansion
- lexical substitution
- machine translation
- question answering
- domain classification
- summarization
- paraphrase

Example

Human illuminates Document AG[bird:1] VERB sezobnout SUBS[feed:1]

What do we need?

- morphological tags
- syntactic analysis (phrases)
- dataset (dictionary, corpus, Wikipedia...)

Pattern recognition

regular expression to match Part-of-Speech and text

Example

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NP {,} especially {NP, }* {or |and} NP
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...most *European countries*, especially *France*, *England*, and *Spain*. European country >France European country >England European country >Spain

Example

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e.g. {NP,}* {and |or} NP.
...e.g. apples, bananas, or pears.
synonyms
```

Example

```
NP such as {NP, }* {and |or} NP
common domestic animals such as the ferret and the fancy rat
domestic animal >ferret
domestic animal >(fancy) rat
in areas with a long history of mining such as South-west England
mining >South-west England
in areas (with a long history of mining) such as South-west England
area >South-west England
```

- remove stopwords
- detect optional adjunct phrases
- detect named entities

No.	Pattern	Number of occurrences		Intermediary precision (%)
		occurrences	occurrences	
1.	other than	168	164	97.6
2.	especially	120	90	75
3.	principally	11	6	54.5
4.	usually	18	14	77. <mark>8</mark>
5.	such as	2470	195 <mark>0</mark>	78. <mark>9</mark>
6.	in particular	78	48	61.5
7.	e(.)g(.)	280	216	77.1
8.	become	780	510	66.7
9.	another	92	72	78.3
10.	notably	76	42	55.3
11.	particularly	130	80	61.5
12.	except	13	4	30.8
13.	called	270	220	81.5
14.	like	1600	1300	81.3
15.	including	670	430	64.2

Corpus query

special case of pattern recognition, CQL query

• bigger data at hand, less options

Example

```
je/jsou
2:[k="k1"&c="c1"] ([lc=","] [k="k1"])*
([lc="a"|lc="i"|lc="nebo"|lc="či"] [k="k1"])?
[lemma_lc="být"&tag="k5eAaImIp3.*"&lc!="ne.*"]
([k="k1"&c="c[1246]"] [k="k2"]{0,2})?
1:[k="k1"&c="c[1246]"]
```

experiment on domain dictionary: precision 40 %, when limited to dictionary terms $52\,\%$

using translation equivalents from multilingual dictionary to provide synonyms

Example	h
stůl = table	I
table = stůl, stolek	I
stůl = stolek	J

• expanding relations based on existing relations (transitive closure)

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Example
city = town, town = municipality
⇒ city = municipality
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Distributional approach

- vector space model
- word-context frequency matrix
- clustering
- similar context \neq synonym
- e.g. Sketch Engine thesaurus

TOEFL test evaluation

- evaluation by solving TOEFL synonym test
- Choose synonym for *fabricate*.
 - construct, alter, select, demonstrate
- build synonym set for each word
- detect overlap
- success rate 88 %

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