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Content Detection and Analysis for Big Data







Outline

- The Information Landscape
- Importance of Content Detection
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- Introduction to Apache Tika
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- Wrap-up

Introduction to Apache Tika

Outline

- What is Tika?
- Where did it come from?
- What are the current versions of Tika?
- What can it do?

Apache Tika is...

- A content analysis and detection toolkit
- A set of Java APIs providing MIME type detection, language identification, integration of various parsing libraries
- A rich Metadata API for representing different Metadata models
- A command line interface to the underlying Java code
- A GUI interface to the Java code

Tika's (Brief) History

- Original idea for Tika came from Chris Mattmann and Jerome Charron in 2006
- Proposed as Lucene sub-project
 - Others interested, didn't gain much trans Apache Tika/>
- Went the Incubator route in 2007 when Jukka Zitting found that there was a need for Tika capabilities in Apache Jackrabbit
 - A Content Management System
- Graduated from the Incubator to Lucene sub-project in 2008
- Graduated to Apache TLP in 2010

Getting started rapidly

- Download Tika from:
 - http://tika.apache.org/download.html
- Grab tika-app-1.5.jar
- alias tika "java –jar tika-app-1.5.jar"
- tika < somefile.doc > extracted-text.xhtml
- tika –m < somefile.doc > extracted.met

Detecting MIME types from Java

- String type = Tika.detect(...)
 - java.io.InputStream
 - java.io.File
 - java.net.URL
 - java.lang.String

Adding new MIME types

• Got XML?

Parsing

- String content = Tika.parseToString(...)
 - InputStream
 - File
 - URL

Streaming Parsing

- Reader reader = Tika.parse(...)
 - InputStream
 - File
 - URL

Language Detection

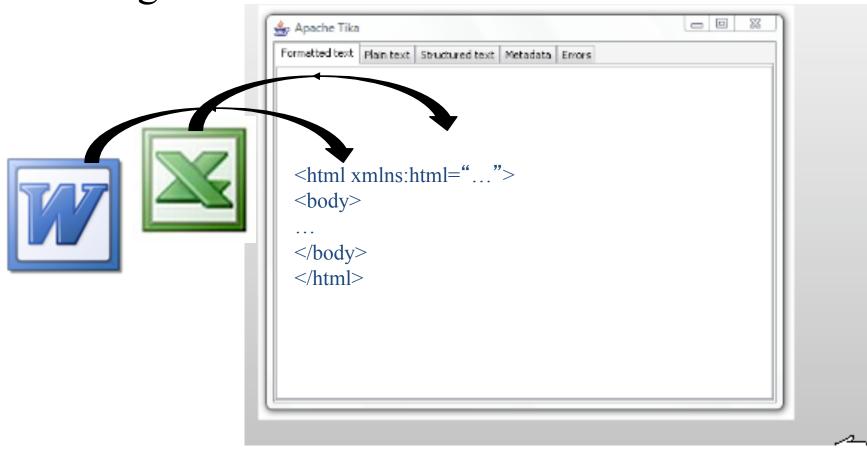
- LanguageIdentifier lang =
 new LanguageIdentifier(new LanguageProfile(
 FileUtils.readFileToString(new
 File(filename))));
- System.out.println(lang.getLanguage());
- Uses Ngram analysis included with Tika
 - Originating from Nutch
 - Can be improved

Metadata

- Metadata met = new Metadata();
 //Dubiln Core
 met.set(Metadata.FORMAT, "text/html");
 //multi-valued
 met.set(Metadata.FORMAT, "text/plain");
 System.out.println(
 met.getValues(Metadata.FORMAT));
- Other met models supported (HTTP Headers, Word, Creative Commons, Climate Forcast, etc.)

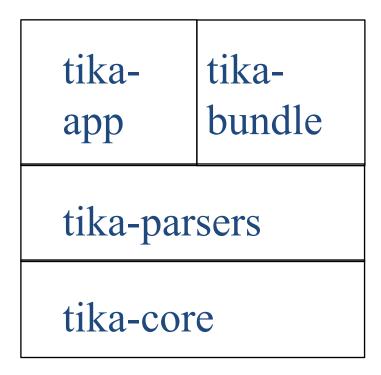
Running Tika in GUI form

• tika --gui



Integrating Tika into your App

- Maven
- Ant
- Eclipse
- It's just a set of jars
 - tika-core
 - tika-parsers
 - tika-app
 - tika-bundle



Wrapup

- Lots more information at
 - http://tika.apache.org
- Possible projects
 - Adding more parsers for content types
 - Omnigraffle?
 - Expanding ability to handle random access file parsing
 - Scientific data file formats
 - Improving language and charset detection
 - Machine Translation add new Translation APIs

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 - http://www.slideshare.net/jukka/text-and-metadataextraction-with-apache-tika
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Some Pointers

- CSCI 572: Search Engines at USC
 - http://www-scf.usc.edu/~csci572/
- Mattmann Home Page
 - http://sunset.usc.edu/~mattmann/
- Tika in Action
 - http://manning.com/mattmann/
- Apache Tika
 - http://tika.apache.org/