

Medical Article Discovery - Documentation

This project is a Flask-based application that allows users to search, highlight keywords, and explore text data.

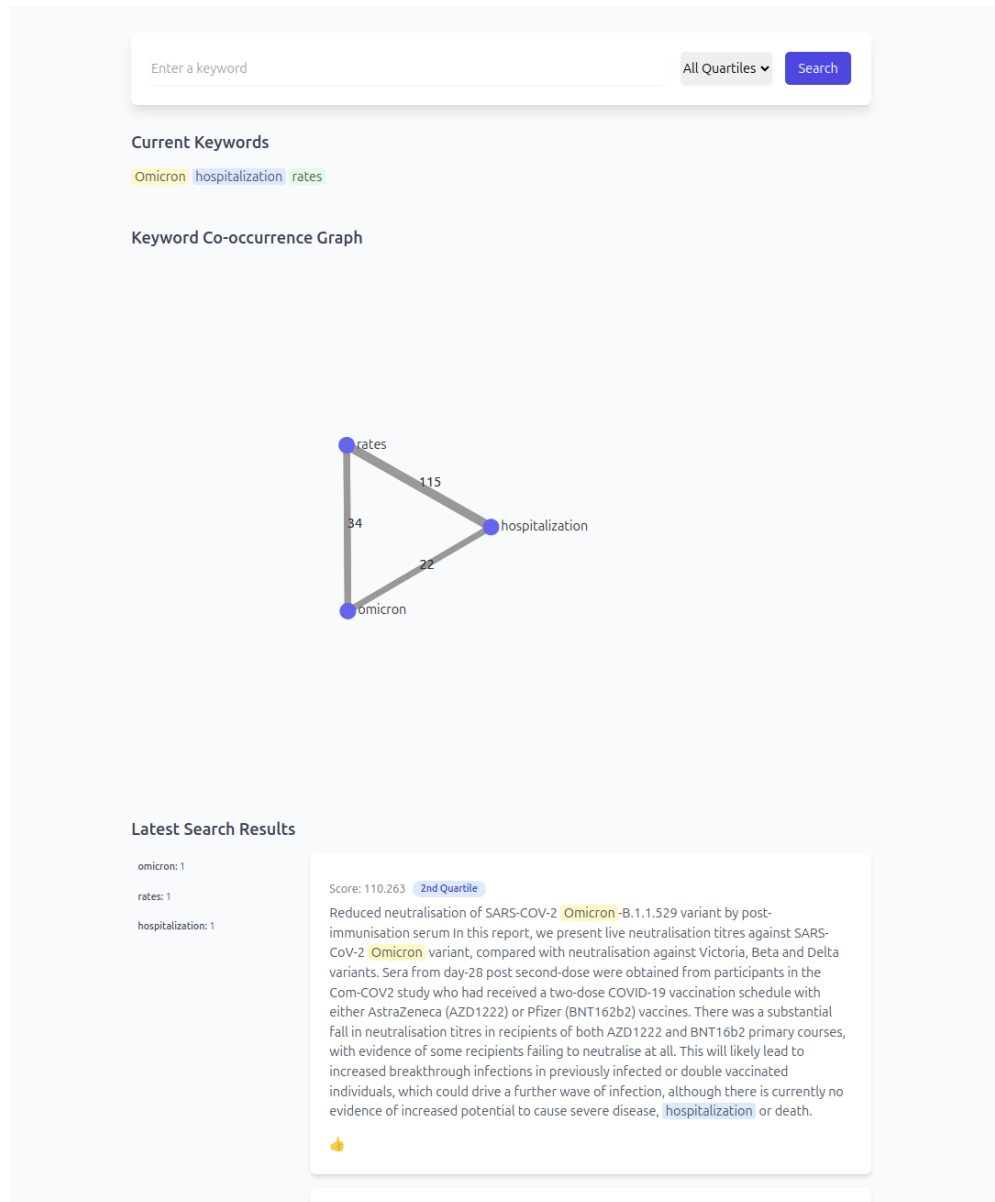


Figure 1: **Screenshot of the application.** The user can enter keywords and search for articles. The search results are displayed with the keywords highlighted. A keyword co-occurrence graph is also displayed.

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1 Main Functions

1.1 app.py

- **highlight_keywords**: Located in app.py as `highlight_keywords`. It highlights specified terms in the displayed text.
- **start_search**: Defined in app.py as `start_search`. Initializes a new search session and redirects to the main search page.
- **search_page**: Located in app.py as `search_page`. Displays the search page with the search results. Calculates the BM25 score for the search query, co-occurrence of keywords, and entropy-based rankings.
- **click_document**: Defined in app.py as `click_document`. Records a click on a document and updates the click count.

1.2 data_loader.py

- **load_initial_data**: Located in data_loader.py as `load_initial_data`. Loads initial data for the application.
- **load_dataset**: Defined in data_loader.py as `load_dataset`. Loads the dataset from a JSON file.
- **process_dataset**: Located in data_loader.py as `process_dataset`. Processes the samples in the dataset.

1.3 search.py

- **bm25_search**: Located in search.py as `bm25_search`. Executes a BM25 search using the raw SQL from queries.yaml.
- **get_results_texts**: Defined in search.py as `get_results_texts`. Given a list of results, returns the full text for each result.
- **get_doc_entropy_quartiles**: Located in search.py as `get_doc_entropy_quartiles`. Given a list of document IDs, returns the entropy quartile for each document.
- **get_keyword_cooccurrences**: Defined in search.py as `get_keyword_cooccurrences`. Retrieves the co-occurrence of keywords in the dataset.
- **get_keyword_clickthroughs**: Located in search.py as `get_keyword_clickthroughs`. Retrieves the clickthrough rate for keywords in the dataset.

2 Configuration

The configuration file config.yaml contains the configuration settings for the application. The file specifies the database connection details, and the search parameters.

- **DB_HOST**: The hostname of the database server. Default is `localhost`.
- **DB_USER**: The username to connect to the database. Default is `root`.
- **DB_PASSWORD**: The password to connect to the database. Default is `5891326`.
- **DB_NAME**: The name of the database. Default is `db06`.
- **K1**: The BM25 parameter that controls term frequency saturation. Default is `1.2`.
- **B**: The BM25 parameter that controls document length normalization. Default is `0.75`.

3 SQL Queries

The file queries.yaml contains queries for co-occurrence of keywords and to retrieve entropy-based rankings.

3.1 tfidf_entropy

This query calculates the entropy of documents based on their TF-IDF scores. It is used to rank documents based on their relevance to a search query.

```
WITH doc_tfidf AS (  
  SELECT  
    dv.document_id AS doc_id,  
    (dv.term_frequency / d.doc_length) * df.idf AS tfidf  
  FROM document_vocabulary dv  
  JOIN documents d ON d.id = dv.document_id  
  JOIN document_frequencies df ON df.vocabulary_id = dv.vocabulary_id  
  WHERE dv.document_id IN (:doc_ids)  
,  
  doc_sums AS (  
    SELECT doc_id, SUM(tfidf) AS total_tfidf  
  FROM doc_tfidf  
  GROUP BY doc_id  
,  
  doc_probs AS (  
    SELECT  
      t.doc_id,  
      (t.tfidf / s.total_tfidf) AS p  
  FROM doc_tfidf t  
  JOIN doc_sums s ON t.doc_id = s.doc_id  
,  
  doc_entropy AS (  
    SELECT  
      doc_id,  
      -1 * SUM(p * LN(p)) AS entropy  
  FROM doc_probs  
  WHERE p > 0  
  GROUP BY doc_id  
,  
  ranked_docs AS (  
    SELECT  
      doc_id,  
      entropy,  
      CUME_DIST() OVER (ORDER BY entropy) AS percentile  
  FROM doc_entropy  
)  
  SELECT  
    doc_id,  
    entropy,  
    percentile * 100 AS percentile_score,  
  CASE  
    WHEN percentile <= 0.25 THEN '1st-Quartile'  
    WHEN percentile <= 0.50 THEN '2nd-Quartile'  
    WHEN percentile <= 0.75 THEN '3rd-Quartile'  
    ELSE '4th-Quartile'  
  END AS entropy_quartile  
FROM ranked_docs  
ORDER BY entropy;
```

3.2 get_keyword_cooccurrences

This query retrieves the co-occurrence of keywords in the dataset.

```
SELECT
v1.term AS kw1,
v2.term AS kw2,
COUNT(DISTINCT dv1.document_id) AS cooccurrence_count
FROM document_vocabulary dv1
JOIN document_vocabulary dv2
ON dv1.document_id = dv2.document_id
JOIN vocabulary v1
ON dv1.vocabulary_id = v1.id
JOIN vocabulary v2
ON dv2.vocabulary_id = v2.id
WHERE dv1.vocabulary_id != dv2.vocabulary_id
AND v1.term IN (:terms)
AND v2.term IN (:terms)
GROUP BY
v1.term, v2.term;
```

3.3 search_bm25

This query calculates the BM25 score for documents based on a search query.

```
SELECT
d.id AS doc_id,
SUM(
    df.idf * (
        (dv.term_frequency * ( :k1 + 1 ))
        / ( dv.term_frequency + :k1 * (1 - :b + :b * (d.doc_length / :avgdl)) )
    )
AS bm25_score
FROM documents d
JOIN document_vocabulary dv ON d.id = dv.document_id
JOIN vocabulary v ON dv.vocabulary_id = v.id
JOIN document_frequencies df ON df.vocabulary_id = v.id
WHERE v.term IN (:query_terms)
GROUP BY d.id
ORDER BY bm25_score DESC
LIMIT :limit;
```

4 Datasets

Datasets are stored in the /datasets folder:

- biorxiv.jsonl - Contains articles from the bioRxiv preprint server. Collected for the MTEB project.
- medrxiv.jsonl - Contains articles from the MedrXiv preprint server. Collected for the MTEB project.

These files contain the text corpus used by the application.

5 Database Schema

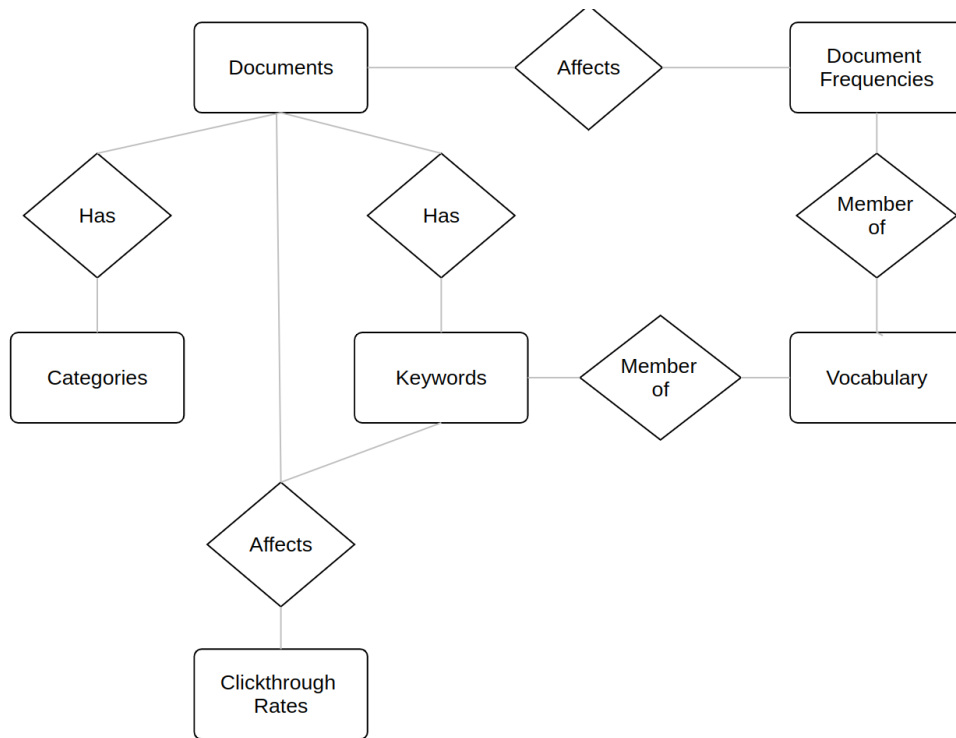


Figure 2: Entity-Relationship Diagram (ERD) of the database schema.

5.1 categories

This table stores the categories of the documents.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **name**: VARCHAR(255), Not Null

5.2 datasets

This table stores the dataset names used in the application.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **name**: VARCHAR(255), Not Null

5.3 documents

This table stores the documents in the database.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **abstract**: TEXT, Not Null
- **category_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **categories(id)**)
- **doc.length**: INT, Not Null
- **dataset_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **datasets(id)**)

5.4 vocabulary

This table stores the vocabulary terms.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **term**: VARCHAR(255), Not Null

5.5 document_frequencies

This table stores the document frequencies for the vocabulary terms.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **vocabulary_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **vocabulary(id)**)
- **doc_freq**: INT, Not Null
- **idf**: DOUBLE, Not Null

5.6 keywords

This table stores the keywords extracted from the documents.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **keyword**: VARCHAR(255), Not Null
- **vocabulary_id**: INT, Null, Foreign Key (references **vocabulary(id)**)

5.7 document_keywords

This table stores the keywords associated with each document.

- **document_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **documents(id)**)
- **keyword_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **keywords(id)**)
- **term_frequency**: INT, Not Null
- **Primary Key**: (document_id, keyword_id)

5.8 document_vocabulary

This table stores the vocabulary terms associated with each document.

- **document_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **documents(id)**)
- **vocabulary_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **vocabulary(id)**)
- **term_frequency**: INT, Not Null
- **Primary Key**: (document_id, vocabulary_id)

5.9 clickthrough_rates

This table stores the clickthrough rates for the keywords.

- **id**: INT, Primary Key, Auto Increment
- **document_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **documents(id)**)
- **term_id**: INT, Not Null, Foreign Key (references **vocabulary(id)**)
- **clicks**: INT, Not Null, Default 0
- **Unique**: (document_id, term_id)

6 How to Use the App

1. (If needed) Run the build script **Build.sh** to set up dependencies, download the original datasets, create a virtual environment, and initialize the database.
2. Start the Flask server by running:

```
python app.py
```

At first run, if the database is not populated, the application will load the dataset, process them and populate the database. This may take some time.
3. Open your browser at **http://127.0.0.1:5000/**.
4. Enter keywords and launch searches. The keywords will be highlighted in the results.
5. Explore the text data and use the search functionality.