AskSnoo



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Idea

- Problem: You can post anything on the internet
- Verify content against an established information source
- Solve the problem of Internet reliability



Implementation

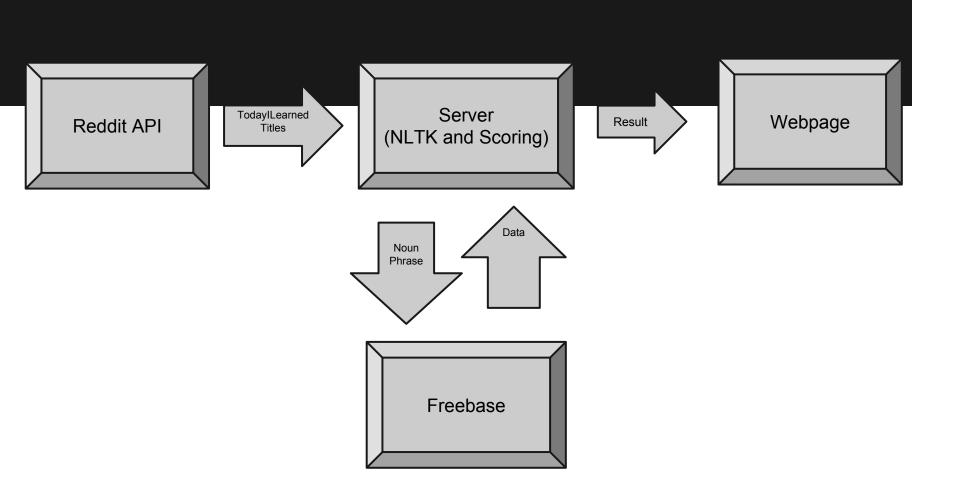
- Reddit API
- Freebase API
- Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK)
- Stanford CoreNLP Parser











Assumptions

- Sentences have a core topic
- Our corpus is reliable
- Similarity of a query & reliable document of the same topic = validity

Results

The Good

Comparison of two sentences with a shared topic

The Bad

- The score isn't normalized/objective
- Finding the topic is hard
- Negative clauses are "ignored/unpenalized"

Demonstration





Improvements

- corpus size
- HITS/PageRank for authority
- NLP usage
- topic generation



Future Work

- Create an autonomous reddit bot
- Expand corpus beyond Freebase
- More in-depth NLP

Questions or Suggestions?

- Implementation
- Algorithm
- Freebase/Reddit API
- App Engine
- NLTK

