

# Information Extraction

## Geo-text data mining

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Matches

Documents

Kpana Lewis

Poro is reported to have spread into the interior of Sierra Leone from Yoni on Sherbro Island

city

the Sherbro Kingdom and where Kpana Lewis resided .

country

Clinton House (Poughkeepsie, New York)

The house probably served as a meeting place for legislators during the time Poughkeepsie

city

Seymen

Ankara , the stronghold of the seymens , ultimately **became** the **capital** of the Turkish Repu

city

country

Nairobi County

The third smallest yet the most populous of the counties , it is coterminous with the city of N

largest city of Kenya .

country

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## Task and Motivation

- Find relations between entities (and concepts) mentioned in a text
- For large-scale text-mining (scientific literature, news papers, social media)
  - Medical: Relations between diseases and medicines, medicines and symptoms, etc.
  - Political: relationships between politicians (political parties) and political issues
  - Geographical: relationships between events (fires, explosions) and locations
  - ...

# Types of IE

- Find and classify relations between concepts and named entities in a text

## Supervised IE

- The set of relations of interest is predefined (*capital-of, inhabitants, subdivision-of, located-in, borders*)
- Matching (Syntactic) Patterns can be *learned* from annotated training data

## Open IE

- the set of relations is not predefined
- **Distant supervision:** From Wikipedia infoboxes to matching patterns in text on corresponding page

# Syntactic patterns for IE



## Spike IE system

IE often involves

- finding a verb or noun expressing the relation
- finding entities in some syntactic relation to the verb or noun (subject, object, prepositional phrase)
- Syntactic dependency analysis as in spaCy helps finding such patterns
- Writing patterns is complicated
- Spike supports learning patterns from an annotated example

# Assignments

## Getting started

- Go to <https://spike.apps.allenai.org/datasets/wikipedia/searchwelcome>
- Go to **structure search**, and browse the **tutorial**

## Assignment 1

- Formulate a query to find **locations that border each other**
- Inspect the results
- Revise the query to make it more accurate (add filters for entities, add notation to match with complex names (*Luang Namtha Province*))
- Revise the query to make it find more instances (i.e. *borders, bordering*) (*located near/next to/east of/...*)

# Assignments

## Assignment 2

- Formulate a query to find **location (city) of museums**
- Inspect the results
- Optionally revise the query to make it more accurate and to improve coverage

## Assignment 3

- Formulate a query to find **the highest point of a country or region**
- The highest point in a country is usually a mountain. Can you modify the query to find both sentences with the word *mountain* or the word *point*?