Generating Preview Tables for Entity Graphs

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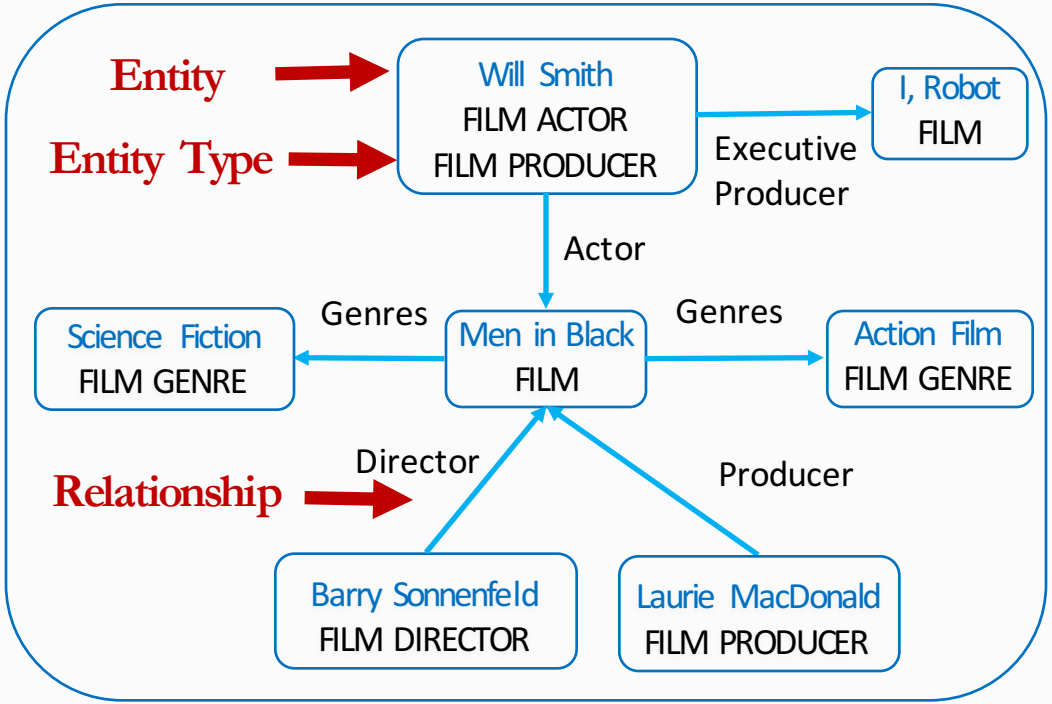
Ultra-heterogeneous Entity Graphs

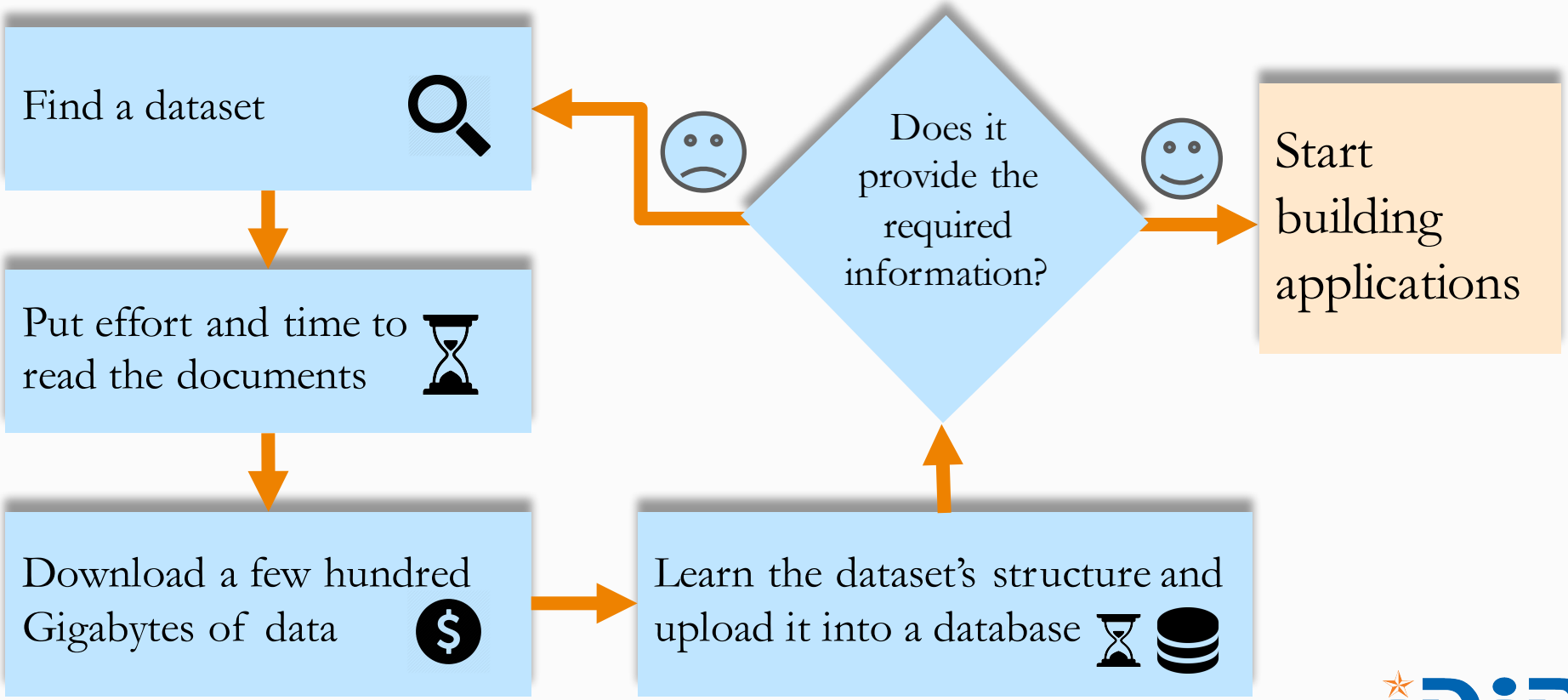
Large and complex graphs capturing millions of entities and billions of relationships between entities.

Applications:
search, recommendation systems, business intelligence, health informatics, fact checking

Freebase : 1.9 billion triples
DBpedia : 3 billion triples
YAGO : 120 million triples
Linked Open Data :
hundreds of datasets
52 billion RDF triples

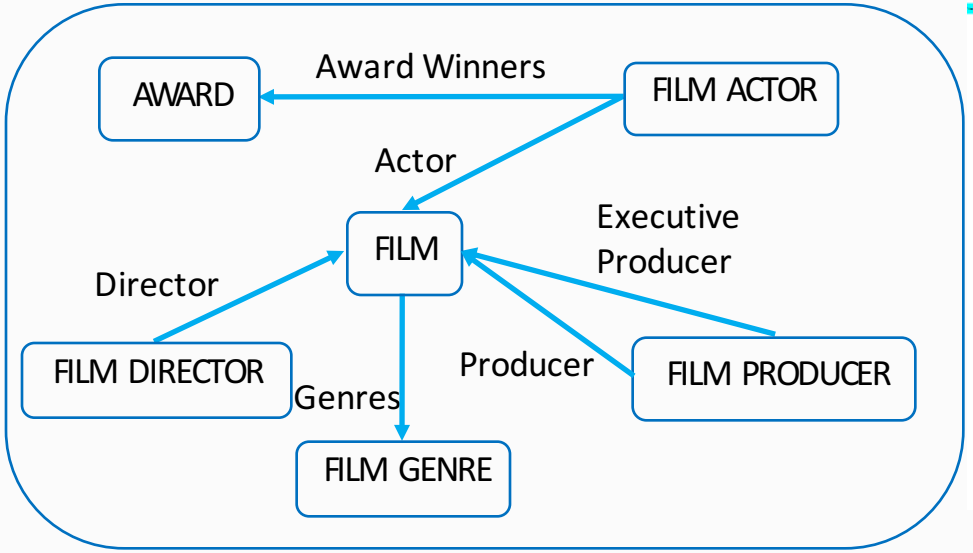


Steep Flag-Down Cost

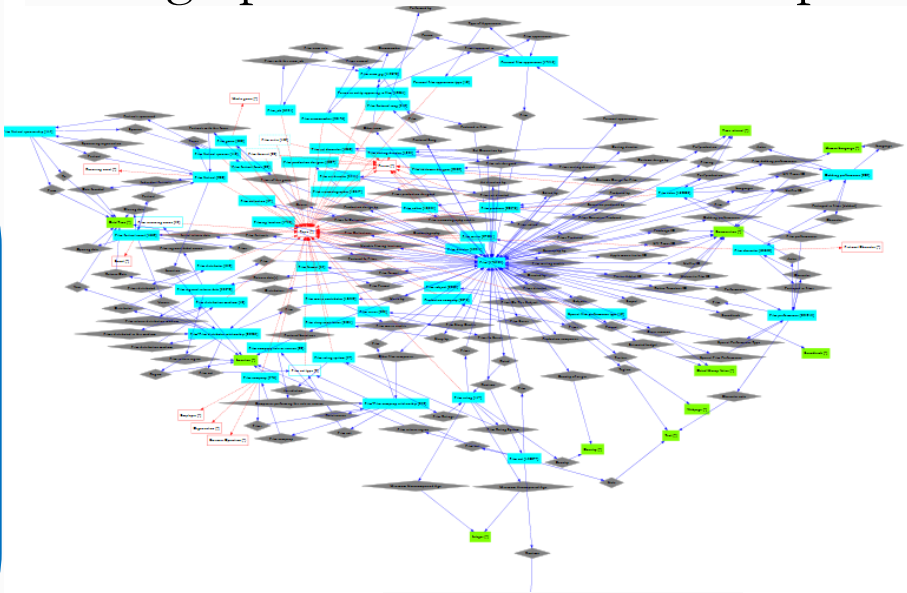


Need for a Quick Overview

Approach 1: Schema Graph



Schema graph itself can be too complex



Schema graph of "Film" domain in Freebase
Entity graph: 2M entities, 18 M edges
Schema graph: 63 entity types ,136 edges

Need for Quick Overview

Approach 2: Schema Summary

Schema summarization in relational database [Yang PVLDB09, Yang PVLDB11]

- Cluster tables in relational database by their semantic roles and similarities.
- Clusters tables, not relationships
- Detailed

XML summarization [Yu VLDB06]

- Provide a succinct overview of the entire schema graph

Graph summarization [Tian SIGMOD08, Zhang ICDE10]

- Group graph nodes based on their attribute similarity and allow users browse the summary from different grouping granularities.

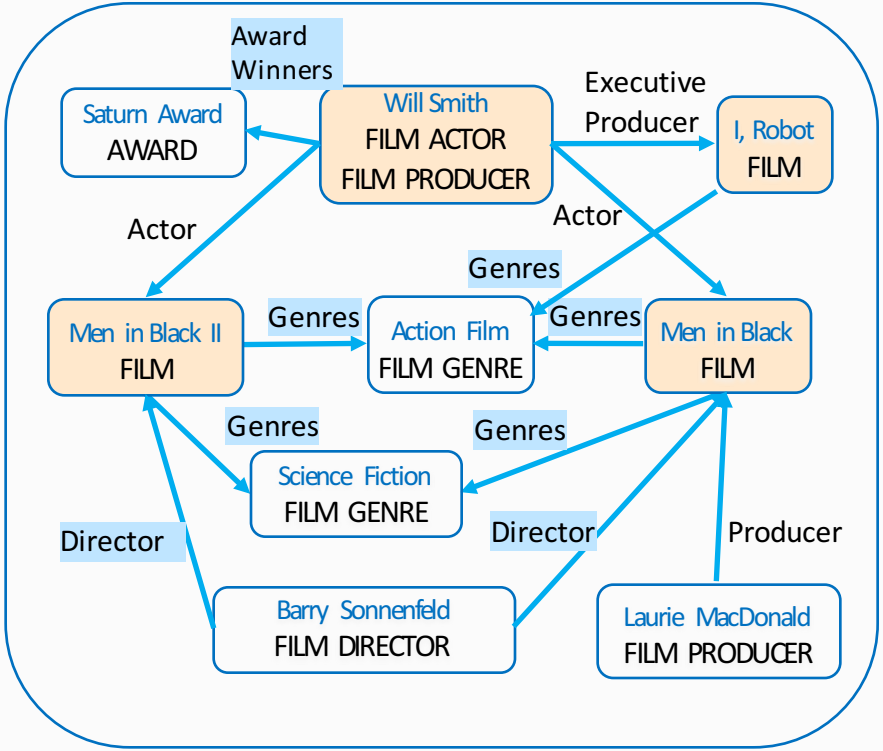
Preview Tables

Key attributes

Non-key attributes

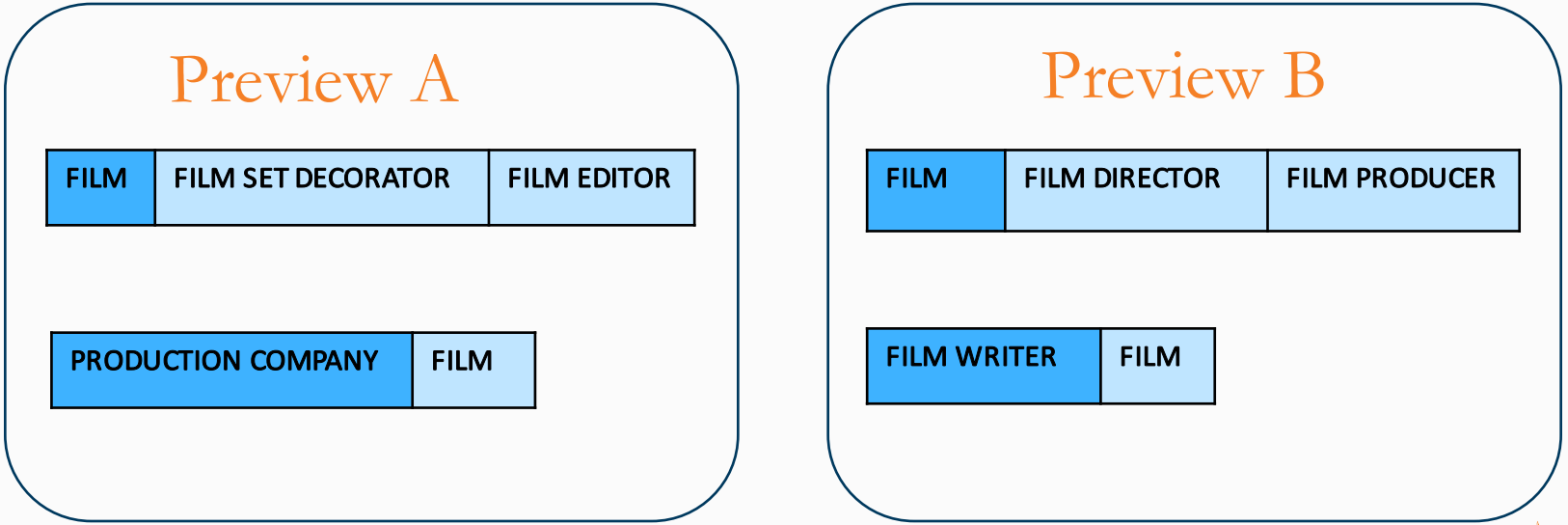
FILM ACTOR	Award Winners
Will Smith	Saturn Award

FILM	Director	Genres
Men in Black	Barry Sonnenfeld	{Action Film, Science Fiction}
Men in Black II	Barry Sonnenfeld	{Action Film, Science Fiction}
I, Robot	_	Action Film



Too Many Previews. Which one to Choose?

- Many possible previews
- Different choices



Scoring Measures

FILM	Actor	Genres
4	6	5

FILM ACTOR	Actor	Award Winners
2	6	2

$4 \times (6+5) = 44$

$2 \times (6+2) = 16$

Score of the Preview

$+ \rightarrow 60$

Key attribute scoring

- Coverage-based method
- Random walk-based method

Non-key attribute scoring

- Coverage-based method
- Entropy-based method

Optimal Preview Discovery

Find the preview with highest score that satisfies

- Size constraint
  - Number of key attributes *K*
  - Number of non-key attributes *N*

  } Concise

- Distance between two preview tables *d*

} Tight: dist(Ti, Tj) ≤ d

} Diverse: dist(Ti, Tj) ≥ d

FILM	Performances	Genres	Directed By
FILM DIRECTOR	Films Directed		
FILM PRODUCER	Films Produced		

Tight

FILM FESTIVAL	Location	Focus
FILM COMPANY	Films	
FILM CHARACTER	Portrayed in Film	

Diverse

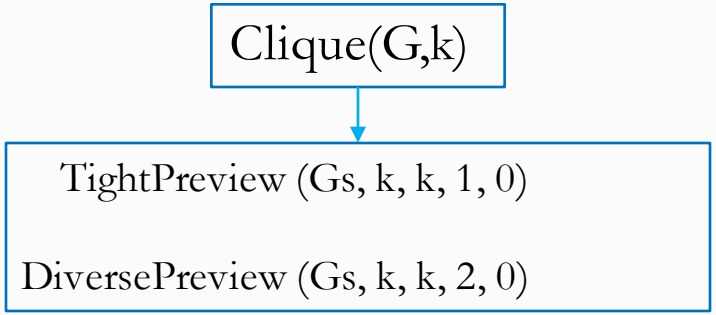
Preview Discovery Algorithms

Concise preview

- Dynamic programming algorithm

Tight/Diverse preview

- NP-hard
- Apriori-like algorithm



Experiments

Dataset: Freebase

Accuracy of scoring measures

- Compared with Freebase ground truth:
  - Key attributes: Precision-at-k (p@k), Average Precision, Discounted Cumulative Gain (nDCG)
  - Non-key attributes: Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR)
- Compared with crowd ranking:
  - Pearson Correlation Coefficient (PCC)

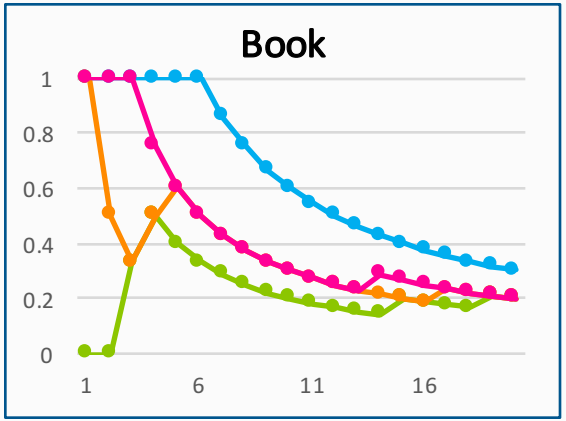
Efficiency of algorithms

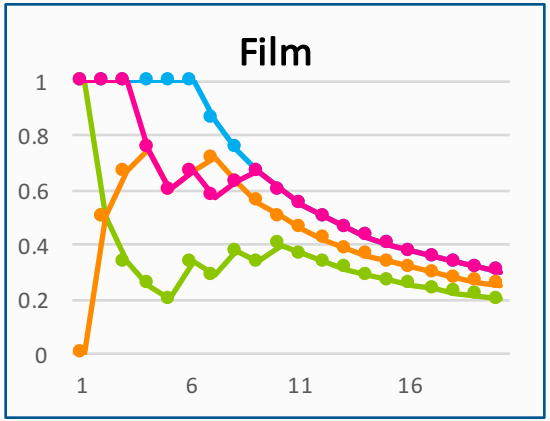
- Execution time

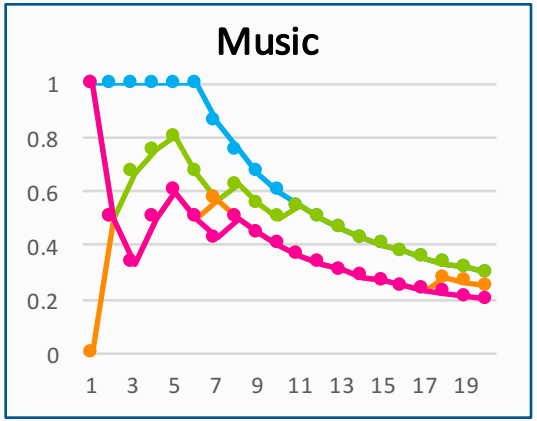
User study

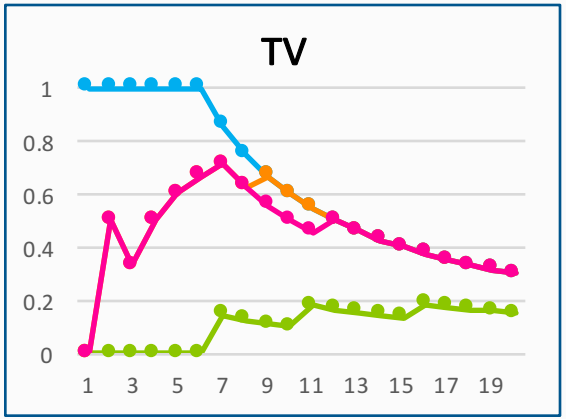
- Existence test questions
- User experience questions

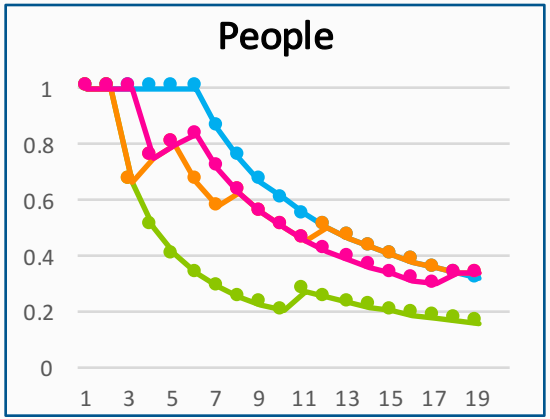
Key Attribute Scoring (p@k)

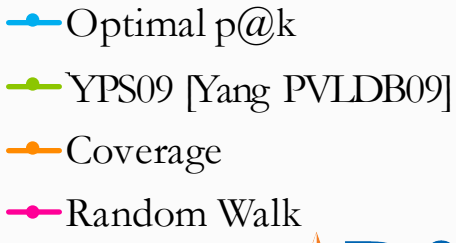






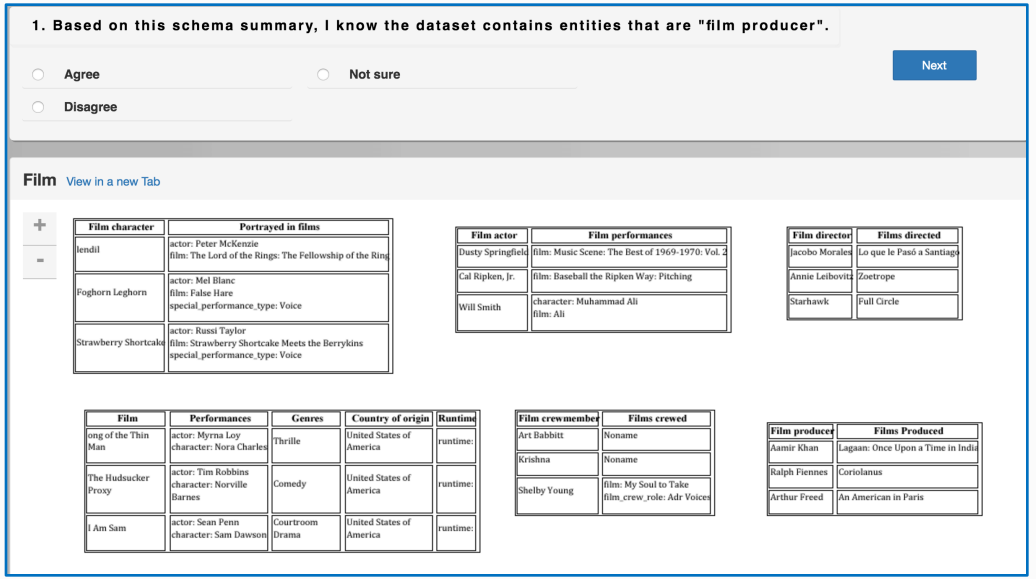






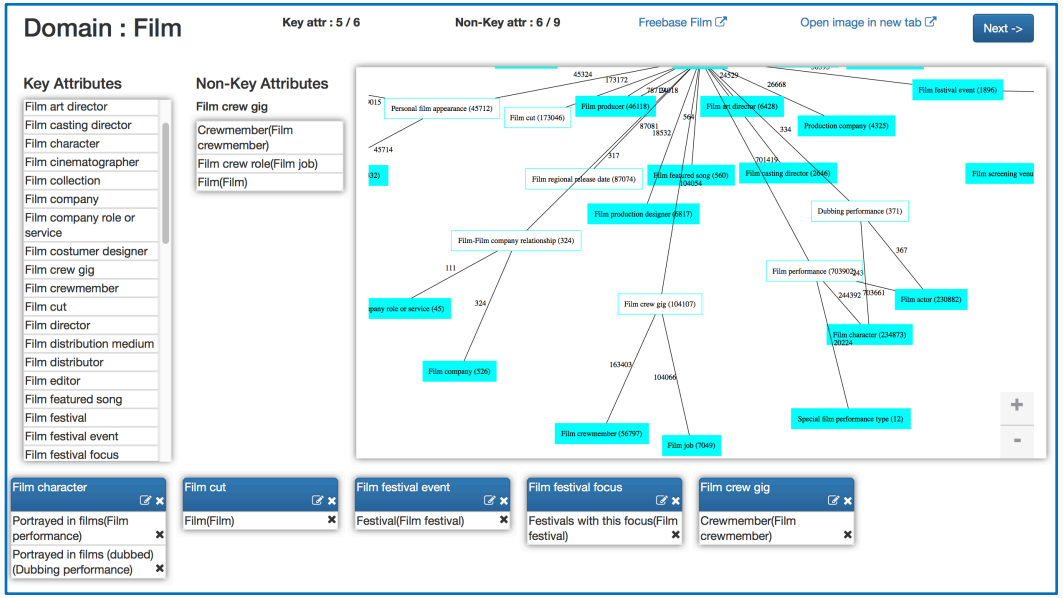
User Study, Approaches Compared

- Domains:
  film, books, music, TV, people
- Approaches:
  - Schema graph
  - Concise preview
  - Tight preview
  - Diverse preview
  - Freebase ground truth
  - YPS09
  - Hand-crafted preview tables
- 4 existence questions
- 4 experience questions
- 84 Master's and PhD students in database area
- $15 gift card



User Study, Hand-crafted Preview Tables

- Domains:
  - film
  - books
  - music
  - TV
  - people
- Hand-crafted preview tables
- 10 PhD students in Database research group
- Individually and as a group
- $20 gift card

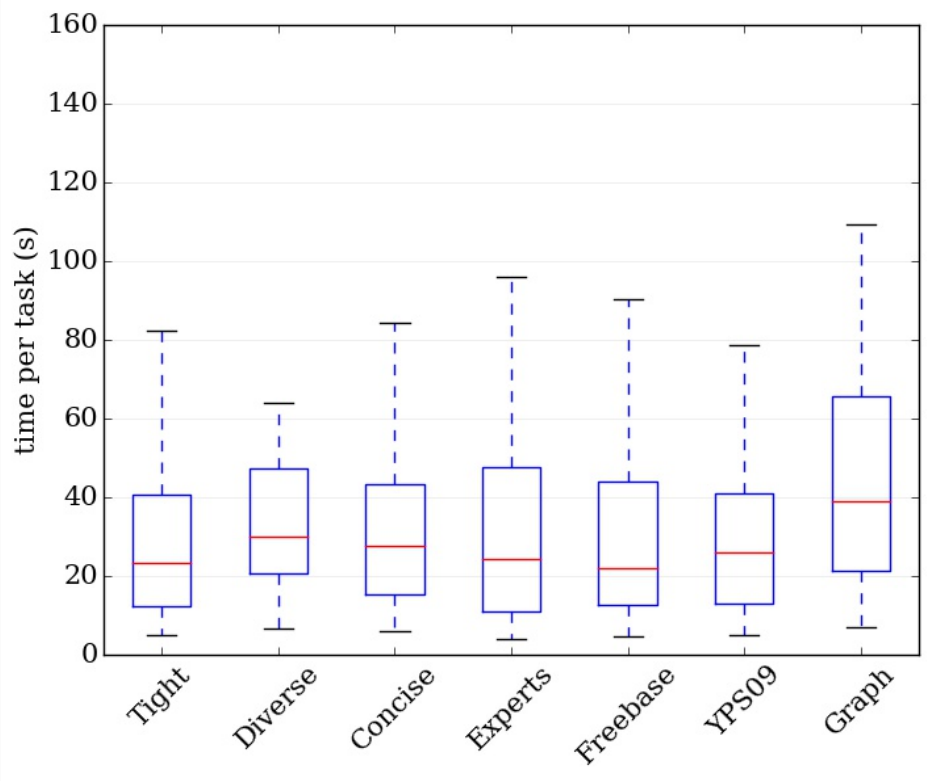


User Study: Existence Test Questions

	Tight	Diverse	Freebase	Experts	YPS09	Schema Graph
Concise	z=1.59 p=0.0559	z=−2.28 p=0.0113	z=0.49 p=0.3121	z=−0.13 p=0.4483	z=0.36 p=0.3594	z=−0.43 p=0.3336
Tight		z=−3.48 p=0.0003	z=−1.12 p=0.1314	z=−1.69 p=0.0455	z=−1.282 p=0.0999	z=−1.93 p=0.0268
Diverse			z=2.57 p=0.0051	z=2.10 p=0.0179	z=2.60 p=0.0047	z=1.70 p=0.0446
Freebase				z=−0.61 p=0.2709	z=−0.15 p=0.4404	z=−0.87 p=0.1922
Experts					z=0.49 p=0.3121	z=−0.29 p=0.3859
YPS09						z=−0.77 p=0.2206

Pairwise comparisons of conversion rates, domain="music", α=0.1

User Study: Existence Test Questions



Time taken on existence tests, domain="music"

User Study: User Experience Questions

Questions	most favorable → least favorable						
How easy was it to read the schema summary?	Freebase	Diverse	Graph	Experts	YPS09	Concise	Tight
How much understanding of the data can you gain from it?	Graph	Freebase	YPS09	Diverse	Concise	Tight	Experts
How helpful was it in assisting you to understand the data?	Graph	Freebase	YPS09	Diverse	Experts	Concise	Tight
Is it missing important information?	YPS09	Concise	Experts	Graph	Tight	Freebase	Diverse

Systems sorted by average user experience scores across five domains

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