

# Name Disambiguation of Japanese Researchers: A Case Study with Statistics Research Community

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# Motivation

- There are many types of information on the Web
- Entity-based search
  - Categories for types of information
  - Events, place, person, etc.
- Searching for a person
  - Not sufficient to search Google with the name of the person
  - E.g. Expert search
  - Through the service of
    - SNS
    - Web search engine

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Shinzo Abe (born September 21 1954) is the current Prime Minister of Japan, elected by a special session of the National Diet on September 26 2006. He is Japan's youngest post-World War II prime minister and the first born after the war. Abe was born into a political family, and studied political science in Japan, and had studied in the United States. He worked in the private sector until 1982 when he began work in several government jobs.

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# Objective

- Name identification
  - We integrated persons from different resources.
  - For identifying a different person with the same name, it is necessary to use several resources.
  - Estimating the costs
- Researcher's information :
  - KAKEN Researcher ID (for researchers in Japan)  
(→ We developed “Researcher Information Server”).)
- We have made a dataset for statistics related researchers.
  - We intend to help evaluating and developing identification data and search system for researchers.
  - Data: Member lists of three academic associates for statistics related field in Japan

# Researcher Information Server

- Data taken from KAKEN DB
  - # of projects (Funded by KAKEN): 247,745
    - Annual reports of the projects from 1989 to 2004
  - # of researchers (project leader and co-researchers): 133,067
    - Individual researcher information
- Basic information for researcher
  - Researcher name, affiliation name, and position (job title).
- Visualization
  - Timeline: # of KAKEN projects and publications
  - Co-researcher network:
    - Past KAKEN project's co-researcher
    - Using Google Maps

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### Time-scale graph of the researcher: 80143551

Year	Kaken (Left Axis)	Works (Right Axis)
1987	4.0	0
1988	4.0	20
1989	8.0	50
1990	5.0	100
1991	5.0	150
1992	5.0	200
1993	6.0	250
1994	6.0	300
1995	9.0	350
1996	9.0	400
1997	6.0	450
1998	6.0	500
1999	2.0	550
2000	2.0	600
2001	6.0	650
2002	4.0	700
2003	5.0	750
2004	4.0	800
2005	4.0	850
2006	4.0	900

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# Statistics related field researchers (in three academic societies)

- We used member lists of academic societies (total: 3,031)
  - The Japan Statistical Society (2003): 1,545
  - The Behaviormetric Society of Japan (2005): 1,070
  - The Japanese Society of Computational Statistics (2002): 416
- Registered information: name, affiliation name, job title, address, zip-code
  - Only name and affiliation name were used.

# Identification (Step 1)

## Name matching

- Matching the researcher with the same name researcher in Research Information Server (KAKEN-DB)
  - A total of 1,400 candidates:
    - The Japan Statistical Society : 697 (45%)
    - The Behaviormetric Society of Japan : 519 (49%)
    - The Japanese Society of Computational Statistics: 184 (44%)
  - After removing duplicates: 1,307 candidates
    - Candidates of having exactly the same name and affiliation were considered as an identical researcher.
- We manually identify the following data to KAKEN researchers ID.

# Identification (Step 2)

## Manual judgments

- Adding a KAKEN ID for each member manually.

Candidates

Members of societies	KAKEN IDs
BSJ0004	20024581
BSJ0005	50305313
JSS0012	70303047 09246528
BSJ0007	90184332
JSS0014	90184332
JSS0015	90132696

A member of multiple societies

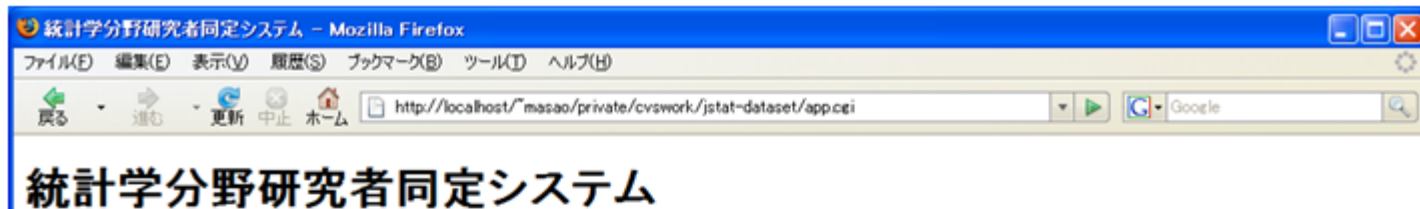
Results

Members of societies	KAKEN IDs
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BSJ0005	50305313
JSS0012	<del>70303047</del> <del>09246528</del>
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Judged by manual



# Judgment system for identification



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- [redacted] 京都学園大学人間文化学部人間関係学科 (BSJ0226)

[redacted] 60240628 ☒ 同一人物 ☐ 別人

同定確定

- [redacted] 一橋大学経済学部 (JSS0400)

[redacted] 70154838 ☒ 同一人物 ☐ 別人

同定確定

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同定確定

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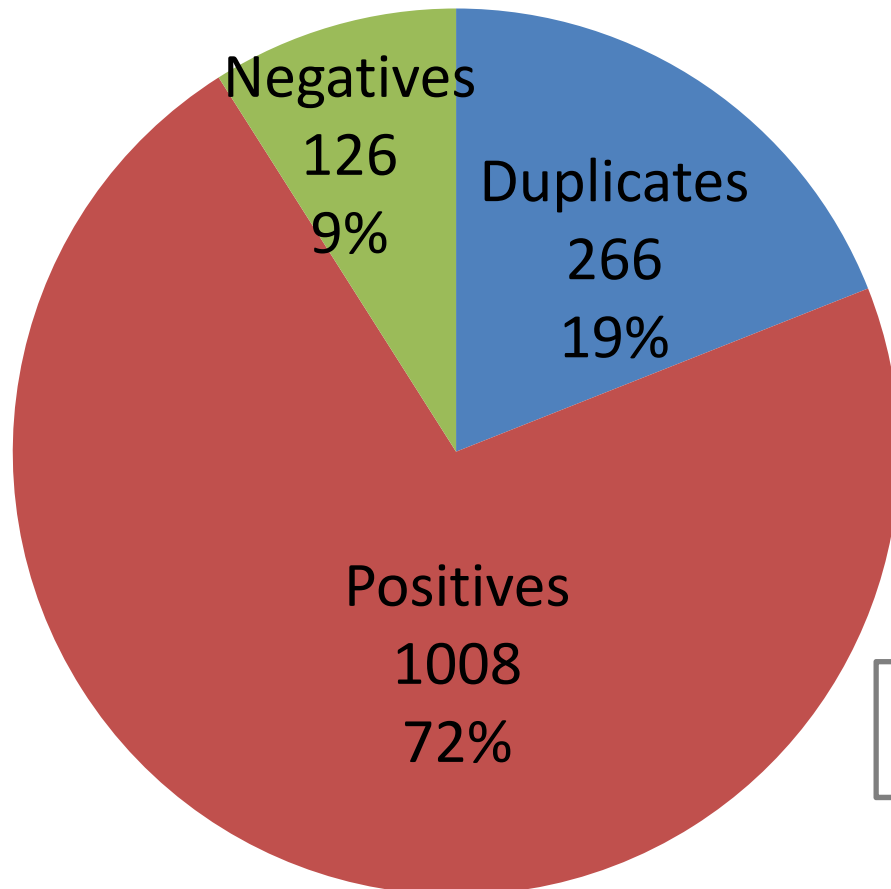
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Links to the  
“Researcher  
Information Server”

# Results

- 266 candidates were marked as “duplicates” (members of multiple societies)
- 1008 candidates were identified with a researcher within KAKEN-DB.



Members of societies		KAKEN IDs
BSJ0004	Different	20024581
BSJ0005	Identical	50305313
JSS0012	Different	70303047 09246528
BSJ0007		
JSS0014	Identical	90184332
JSS0015	Identical	90132696

Marked as  
duplicates

# Researchers having the same name

- (a) Within KAKEN-DB (for positives)
  - A member's name matched with KAKEN ID, and a different researcher having the same names within KAKEN-DB.

Members of societies	KAKEN IDs
JSS0035	Identical 0308679
	Different 241595

→ 105 candidates (10%)

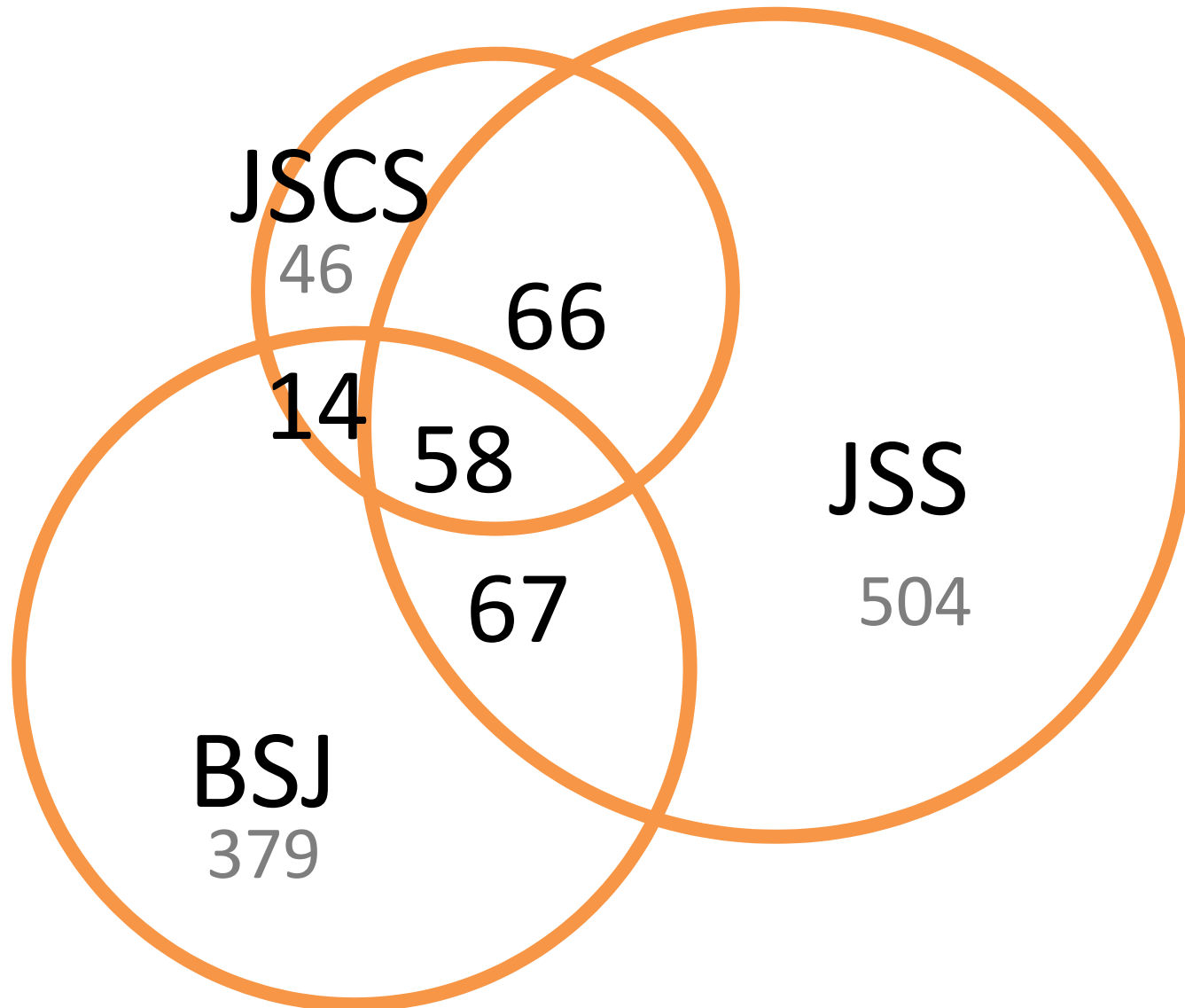
- (b) Concerning outside of KAKEN-DB (for negatives)
  - A member's name matched with KAKEN ID, but that represented a different researchers.

Members of societies	KAKEN IDs
BSJ0004	Different 0024581
JSS0012	Different 70303047 69246528

→ 126 candidates

- (a) + (b) → 231 candidates (20%)

# Duplicates (overlaps among the Japanese academic societies in Statistics-related field)



# Discussion: Criteria for identification

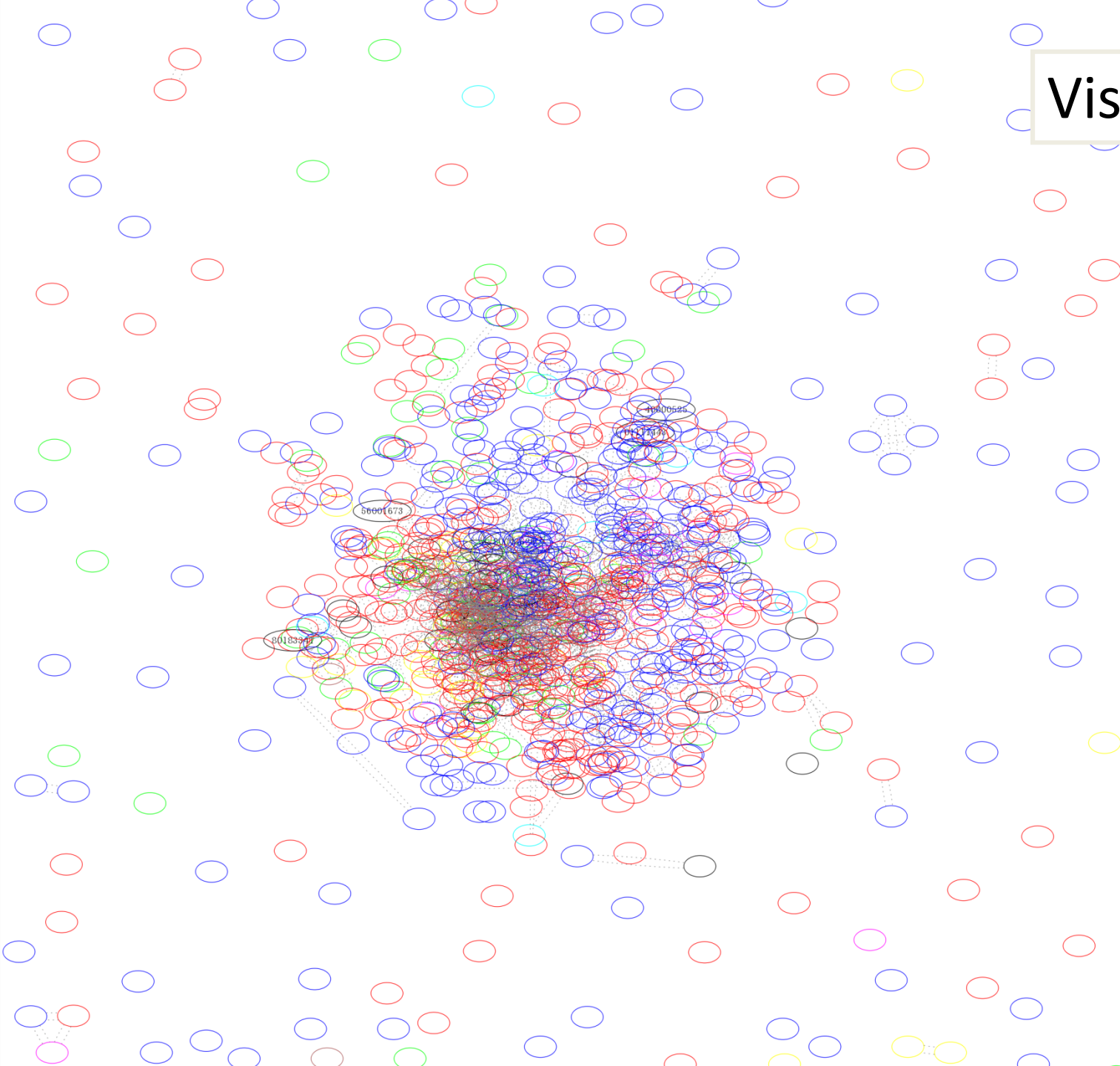
- How to determine two researchers are identical or not?
  - Researcher Information Server
    - Research area
    - Affiliations
    - Timeline based info.
  - Other resources:
    - JST ReaD (researcher directory)
    - On the Web
      - Organization website the researcher affiliates
      - Homepage provided by the researcher him/herself
  - Biography information provided as author introduction in his/her publications
- For statistics related field, left-side info are useful.
  - (Of course) His/her research fields are related to Statistics. It is a main hints for
- But, Sometime there is a difficult case to determine
  - By lack of information
  - It depends on the available resources and costs .
    - Need to clarify to utilize after the identification
- (Another possibility) Saving criteria and process for identification for the further analysis (afterwards).

# Discussion: Visualizations

- Visualization of co-researchers network
  - Provides summary of researcher's community.
  - Connects researchers with having joint-research in the past.
  - Shows one more hop into the other researchers.
- Applications (It will be helpful for ...)
  - Judgment of Identification
  - Summarization of researchers network (community)

# Visualization

- JSS
- BSJ
- JSCS





# Conclusions

- Identification of Japanese researchers in the field of Statistics
  - Identification between academic societies and KAKEN-DB
  - Identification of about 3,000 Statistics-related researchers with about 130,000 database records leads to about 1,000 identified persons.
- Future works
  - Semi-automatic process for identification (by using machine learning techniques)
  - Another dataset and resources
    - Other databases, transcriptions, and so on.
  - Comparison with other scientific fields
  - Represent a domain knowledge from researcher community
  - Entity-based search engine by identification results