

1 Corpus

Collection of documents to index

D1

The University of Glasgow is the fourth oldest university...

D2

The University of Strathclyde is a public research university...

D3

Glasgow Caledonian University (informally GCU or Caledonian)...



2 Indexing Process

Removal of stopwords, etc.

tokenise the text

Split up individual terms

remove the stopwords

Remove common terms

apply porter stemming

Stem terms to their "base"



3 Inverted Index

Promotes fast, full-text search

Term	Document(s)
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the	D1,D2
glasgow	D1,D3
university	D1,D2,D3
research	D2
fourth	D1
caledonian	D3
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