

CS172 Project Part 2 Documentation

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Collaboration Details

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 - Built the UI
 - Refined the query processing code to work with the UI
 - Added to the documentation
- Nicolas
 - Built the index builder
 - Wrote the initial version of the query processing code
 - Wrote the foundation of the documentation

System Overview

Architecture

The System is split across two main parts, the IndexBuilder and a Web-Based UI

- IndexBuilder
 - Takes as input 2 directory paths, one for the location of the tweet files, and another for the desired output directory. (Note: uses JRE 1.8)
 - It iteratively builds a Document object for each tweet, then adds each document to the lucene index.
- User Interface
 - Contains a ListBox and TextBox in order to search tweets. The user can choose what they would like to search for (General, User, HashTags). The UI will search for the relevant tweets in the created index by searching hashtags, title, username, and body of the tweet. (hashtags and titles are boosted)
 - Once results are displayed the user can click on a tweet and the corresponding marker on the map will move. Similarly the user can click on the map point to highlight the tweet it corresponds to.
 - A user can also click on a Tweet's username or HashTag in order to add it to their searchbar.

Index Structure

The indexes are built using the "user", "text", "created_at", "geo_location", "linkTitle", "favorite_count", "retweet_count", "hashtags", and "language" fields of the tweet. We only use the "screenName" property of the "user" field, and we separate the "geo_location" field into latitude and longitude. We store each of these fields within the index, so that the information can be presented to the user through the UI. "text", "hashtags", and "linkTitle" are stored as a TextField so that terms are

tokenized, while all the others are stored as string or numeric fields. The “created_at”, “hashtags”, and “text” fields are boosted to give them more weight in searches.

Search Algorithm

- Empty Search
 - An empty search will return the most recent tweets ordered by time (newest tweets to oldest tweets)
- General Search
 - Takes the Text provided by the user and searches for matches in the “hashtags”, “text”, “user”, and “linkTitle” fields by separating the query by spaces. The “hashtag” and “linkTitle” fields are boosted by 2f. This is to allow “hashtags” and “linkTitle” field matches to get ranked higher, but also increase the likelihood that an exact match of pure text will still appear as a top result.
 - hashtags and usernames can be separated by “@” and “#” symbols respectively. However, text will be searched with spaces.
- HashTag Search
 - Takes the text provided by the user and searches for matches in the “hashtag” field. returning all results that contain specified hashtag
 - hashtags can be separated by spaces or by hashtag. (ex. searching “starwars startrek” is the same as “#starwars#startrek”)
- User Search
 - Takes the text provided by the user and searches for matches in the “user” field. returning all results that contain the specified user.
 - usernames can be separated by spaces or by “@”. (ex. searching “anon123 cool4school” and “@anon123@cool4school” will return the same results)

Implementation Notes

- The index builder makes use of the Java 8 Streams API to process the incoming data in a declarative way.
- The index builder only accepts empty directories for the output directory, it will halt if the user attempts to pass in a non-empty directory.
- When a user submits a query the Title and hashtag fields are boosted by 2f (this allows fields with title and hashtag to be boosted, but also allows a user to find an exact match tweet that only contains text)

Limitations

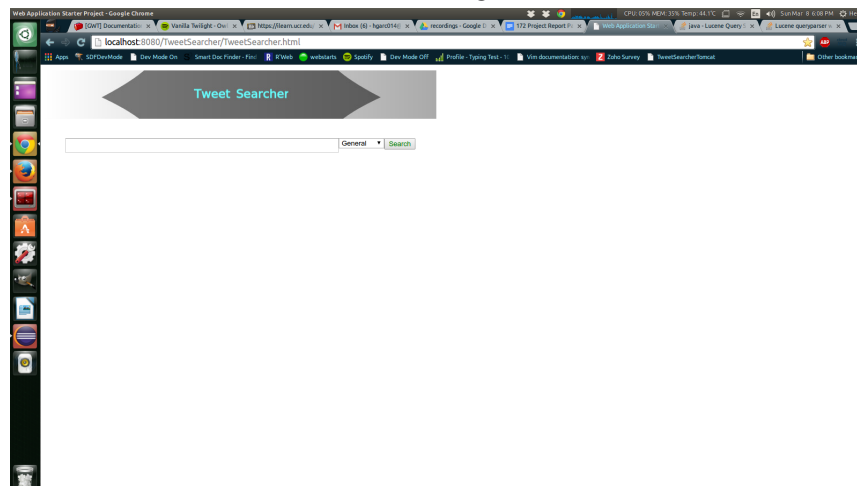
- The IndexBuilder relies on the directory full of tweet files created in the first part of the project. Because that directory is not being constantly updated, the tweets returned by searches may be out of date, depending on how long ago the TweetCrawler and IndexBuilder were run.
- Since the map uses Google’s API the user needs to have internet in order for the page to display correctly.

Deployment Instructions

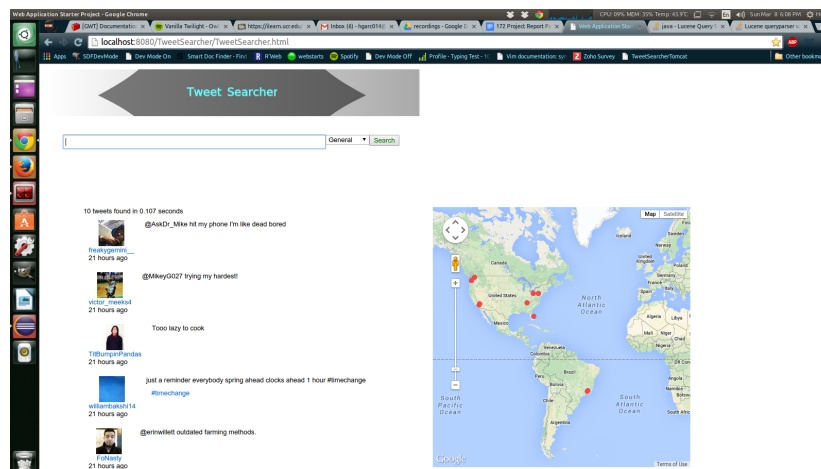
1. Index crawled tweets into a folder called index
2. place folder into TweetSearcher/war/indexes
3. GWT Compile the TweetSearcher project.
4. after compiling go to war folder (TweetSearcher/war)
5. open deploy script and change the location of the tomcat folder.
6. run deploy script (note: assumes you have a folder called indexes at location /var/lib/tomcat7/indexes) (WARNING: deploy script will remove the following files if they already exist TweetSearcher, TweetSearcher.war, and index in the tomcat folders)
7. restart tomcat and then you should be able to go to your application on a browser (http://localhost:8080/TweetSearcher/TweetSearcher.html)

Screenshots

Main Page



Blank Search



General Search

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' application interface. The search bar contains the text 'just a reminder everybody spring ahead clocks ahead 1 hour #timechange'. The results list shows 10 tweets found in 0.169 seconds. The first tweet is from @timechange, followed by NORPAC-SANTAS, Catherine McKenney, and Faustin Henderson. A map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, primarily in North America.

Tweet Searcher

just a reminder everybody spring ahead clocks ahead 1 hour #timechange

10 tweets found in 0.169 seconds

#timechange

just a reminder everybody spring ahead clocks ahead 1 hour #timechange

NORPAC-SANTAS on Twitter: "Just a reminder to Spring ahead One tonight for #DaylightSavingTime http://t.co/hyQdN6pOC" Just a reminder to Spring ahead One tonight for #DaylightSavingTime http://t.co/hyQdN6pOC

Catherine McKenney on Twitter: "Reminder to spring ahead Sunday at 2am. Change your clocks / Change your batteries @OttawaFireFPO http://t.co/reqQPGSbxA"

Faustin Henderson on Twitter: "Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour tonight. #springforward http://t.co/HPYdgEOAVF"

HashTag Search

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' application interface. The search bar contains the hashtag '#StarTrek'. The results list shows 10 tweets found in 0.04 seconds. The first tweet is from Mrs_Kirk, followed by several tweets from @JanetTobury and @pyyiq. A map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, primarily in North America.

Tweet Searcher

#StarTrek

10 tweets found in 0.04 seconds

Mrs_Kirk on Twitter: "Tonights #StarTrek is The Devil in the Dark http://t.co/EUoFmx8Qz" #StarTrek

I love the look on Kira's face when Spock uses his logic <3 #StarTrek

Yep he's dead #StarTrek

Of course the horta is gonna go after a bunch of green men in pajamas #StarTrek

@pyyiq There is still Star Trek Online? #StarTrek

Multi HashTag Search

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' application interface. The search bar contains the multi-hashtag search '#StarTrek #starwars'. The results list shows 10 tweets found in 0.049 seconds. The first tweet is from Mrs_Kirk, followed by tweets from @JanetTobury and @pyyiq. A map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, primarily in North America.

Tweet Searcher

#StarTrek #starwars

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Multi HashTag Search (with #)

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' web application. The search bar contains the text '#StarTrek#Starwars' and the 'HashTags' dropdown is selected. The search results list 10 tweets found in 0.044 seconds. The tweets are from users like jaym9088, Mrs_Kirk, and jaym9088, mentioning #StarTrek and #Starwars. A world map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, with red pins indicating the search area.

User Search

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' web application. The search bar contains the text '@Lust4Life' and the 'User' dropdown is selected. The search results list 10 tweets found in 0.026 seconds. The tweets are from users like @Lust4Life, @mezzak, and @damnnj, mentioning @Lust4Life. A world map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, with red pins indicating the search area.

Multi User Search

The screenshot shows the 'Tweet Searcher' web application. The search bar contains the text '@Lust4Life @mezzak' and the 'User' dropdown is selected. The search results list 10 tweets found in 0.033 seconds. The tweets are from users like @Lust4Life, @mezzak, and @damnnj, mentioning @Lust4Life and @mezzak. A world map on the right shows the locations of the tweets, with red pins indicating the search area.

Multi User Search (with @)

