
Human Computation in Online Video Storytelling

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Abstract

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0.1 Introduction

0.2 The Quest for Meaningful Computation

0.2.1 The web as platform for creation

Many media scholars have written about the role of the web. Important trend of the web as platform of creation. In terms of video creation for example, the last few years have seen the development of online video editing tools and environments such as popcorn.js, WeVideo and Kaltura.

0.3 Interactive Storytelling: From database to data-based

0.3.1 Symbolic approaches

0.3.2 Statistic approaches

0.4 Never-ending Stories in ‘wePorter’

http://youtube-global.blogspot.co.uk/2009/05/zoinks-20-hours-of-video-uploaded-every_20.html
<http://youtube-global.blogspot.co.uk/2010/03/oops-pow-surprise24-hours-of-video-all.html>
<http://youtube-global.blogspot.co.uk/2010/11/great-scott-over-35-hours-of-video.html>
<http://youtube-global.blogspot.co.uk/2011/05/thanks-youtube-community-for-two-big.html>
<http://youtube-global.blogspot.co.uk/2012/01/holy-nyans-60-hours-per-minute-and-4.html>

0.5 Human Computed Stories in wePorter

“Every second, an hour of video is uploaded to youtube”. This astonishing figure is nothing short of mind-boggling, but will most likely sound dated in a matter of years or even months. Looking at the increase of content uploaded to the video platform in past years, the growth does not seem likely to come to a halt soon. [include table] All these videos are great for online video junkies, and are increasingly part of the online journalism landscape. At the same time, all these videos being put online beg the question which ones of them to watch.

With more and more visual content being put online [ref], there is an increased need for ways of aggregation and filtering. Both of these tasks rely heavily on an understanding of what is presented in these media, which, as we’ve seen in the previous chapter, is a hard problem to solve via current computational techniques. With so much content being uploaded, how can we find our way in the already enormous ocean of online videos?

semantic annotation by tagging

more specific: once we have a repository that is returned as a search result because of annotations, how can we filter what is most interesting. (intentional ordering?)

0.5.1 Current handles of meaning on uploaded video repositories

tags etc

many people watching: Clicking from one video to the next (choosing from a set of related videos) these inter-video links could be seen as indicators for relatedness and relevance, much like google's page rank algorithm use links across webpages to establish a notion of the most significant site on a particular topic.

There is an important difference here though. Whereas the links used by Google's search algorithms are embedded in machine readable hyperlinks, the path of clicking on from one video to the next is a characteristic of a person's interaction.

differences: public, readable // private, non readable conscious choice // unconscious result of interaction Concluding can be consciously put in place by several people at large scale // dependent on real 'human' traffic.

0.5.2 Analysis of the wePorter System

The death of the author

ref: Barthes - Image music Sound here: a lack of clear narrator of the written story

in wePorter: the lack of a centralised creator, authoring a work consciously and deliberately.

This new form of creation could at first sight be seen as non-authorship, but is rather a collective authorship.

Several recent developments now make possible this collective form of authorship: - the proliferation of tools hhat enable indididual authorship of multimedia content - the increased connectivity of these devices, which gives them the capacity to make the created media accessible to others - the platforms for hosting multimedia (MM) content. This point is strongly related to the previous one. In ther development they form a chicken and egg relaten. Initially it's hard to imagine one withour the other, but once matured, they [influence eachother positively]. - the Methods to link, mix, aggregate and modify content online.

0.5.3 Implementation

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Algorithm 1 My algorithm

1: procedure EUCLID(a, b)	▷ The g.c.d. of a and b
2: $r \leftarrow a \bmod b$	
3: while $r \neq 0$ do	▷ We have the answer if r is 0
4: $a \leftarrow b$	
5: $b \leftarrow r$	
6: $r \leftarrow a \bmod b$	
7: end while	
8: return b	▷ The gcd is b
9: end procedure	

Algorithm 2 Generate Sequences Random Shuffled

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2:    $r \leftarrow a \bmod b$ 
3:   while  $r \neq 0$  do ▷ We have the answer if r is 0
4:      $a \leftarrow b$ 
5:      $b \leftarrow r$ 
6:      $r \leftarrow a \bmod b$ 
7:   end while
8:   return  $b$  ▷ The gcd is b
9: end procedure
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0.6 Future Directions

0.7 Conclusion

0.8 Acknowledgements