

Web Services Compositions

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Requirement

- We want to build a Web Service Composition system that can perform automated processing of web services by machines, where all the services have well defined meanings

User's request and response

- Users provide INPUT –
 - How can system understand users' INPUT ?
 - Example INPUT: species name list, taxons, etc.
- Users require Designed OUTPUT . For example : tree
 - How can system understand users' OUTPUT
- INPUT and Designed OUTPUT have to encode to Logic Programming and Ontology (OWL)

Components

- 1. Web Services
 - We have a collection of web services
 - Each web service has an description (WSDL)
 - Each web service has an semantics (OWL – Ontology)
 - In order to use planning, each WSDL file has to convert to Logic Programming format
 - In order to use composition, each WSDL file has to integrate semantics.

Components

- 2. Web Services Registry
 - We built a Web Services Registry that used to store information of Web Services.
 - The most important thing of Web Service information is WSDL file that used to describe about Web Service's operations and how to invoke them.
 - At the moment, Web Service Registry is hosted in NMSU Phylotastic Server. It is still simple Web-based application with an Database that stores Web Service information and WSDL

Components

- 3. Search Engine
 - We have not implemented it yet. But we have expected to build a search engine that can automatically locate appropriate web services.

Components

- 4. Web Services Compositions/Execution

4.1 : Web Service Execution : Execute Workflow that is discovered from WS compositions

4.2 : Web Service Composition: Generate Workflow based on Web Service components and their description/meanings.

Components

- 4.1 : Web Service Execution
 - We have built a computer program that can execute an Web Service operation based on WSDL file, operation, its parameters.

Components

- 4.2 : Web Service Composition:
 - Discover Services : Effective way to discover web services
 - Composite Services : Composite by planning problem

Issues

- 1. Ontology – Semantics – Meanings
- 2. User Interactivities :
 - How to specify what users want ?
 - Visualization
- 3. Generate Workflow:
 - Answer Set Programming
 - Discover
 - Reliability : How to ensure that Workflow is correct ?
 - Preferences
 - Constraints: Conditions to generate the workflow (limit results, change priority services, etc.)

Issues

- 4. Contingency
 - Failure in generation: How to re-generate Workflow again ? How to bug the mistake and reduce workload for this process
 - Failure in execution: How to roll-back ?
- 5. Output:
 - Explanation : Describe detail information for the workflow
 - NLP : Generate Workflow as English language