Lecture 10. Knowledge Base and Linked Data

Knowledge Harvesting in the Big-Data Era

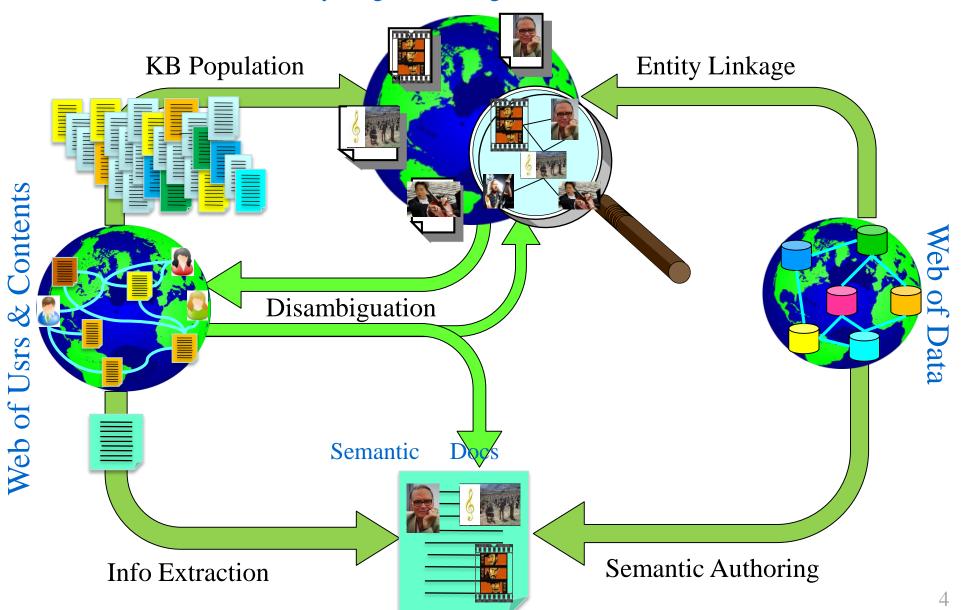
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Knowledge Base

- Manually compiled knowledge collection
 - Cyc, WordNet, a variety of ontologies
- Publicly available resources
 - KnowItAll, ConceptNet, Dbpedia, Freebase, NELL, WikiTaxonomy, and YAGO
- Commercial interest
 - Google Knowledge Graph, EnitityCube/Renlifang at Microsoft Research, knowledge base in IBM's Watson

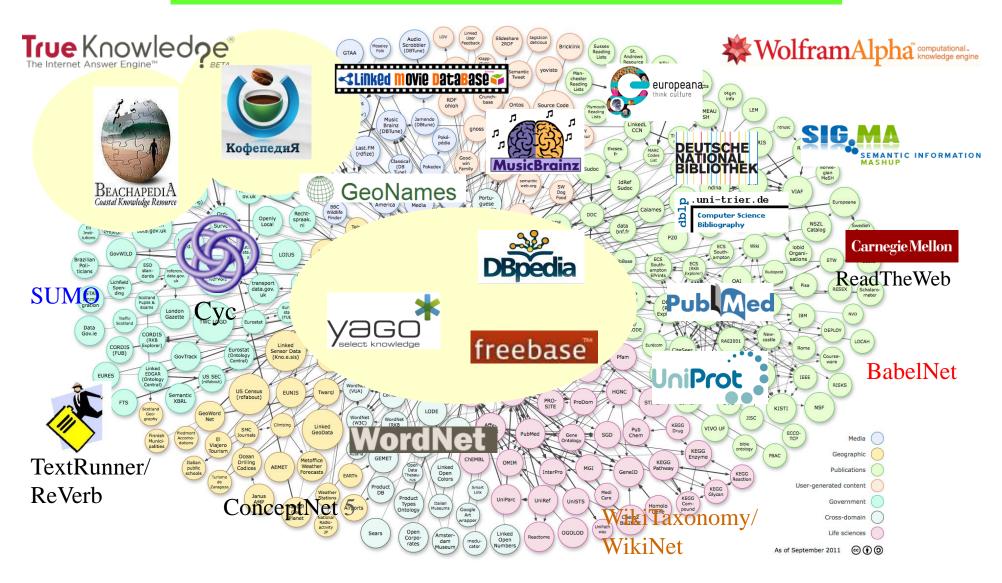
Turn Web into Knowledge Base

Very Large Knowledge Bases



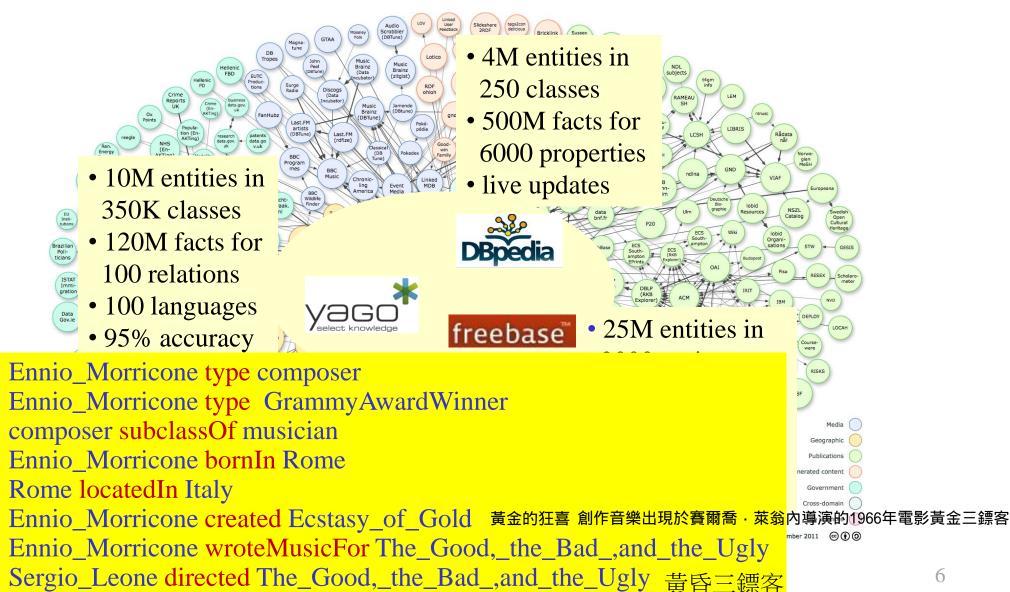
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60 Bio. SPO (Subject-Predicate-Object) triples (RDF) and growing



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History of Knowledge Bases





Cyc and WordNet are hand-crafted knowledge bases

Doug Lenat:

"The more you know, the more (and faster) you can learn."

 \forall x: human(x) \Rightarrow male(x) \vee female(x)

 \forall x: (male(x) \Rightarrow \neg female(x)) \land

 $(female(x) \Rightarrow \neg male(x))$

 \forall x: mammal(x) \Rightarrow (hasLegs(x)

 \Rightarrow isEven(numberOfLegs(x))

 $\forall x: human(x) \Rightarrow$

 $(\exists y: mother(x,y) \land \exists z: father(x,z))$

 $\forall x \forall e : human(x) \land remembers(x,e)$

 \Rightarrow happened(e) < now



WordNet project (1985-now)





George Miller

Christiane **Fellbaum**

bold new ventures)

	- WordNet home page - Glossary - Help		
	Word to search for: enterprise Search WordNet		
	Display Options: (Select option to change) Key: "S:" = Show Synset (semantic) relations, "W:" = Show Word (lexical) relations		
	Display options for sense: (gloss) "an example sentence" Noun		
 S: (n) enterprise, endeavor, endeavour (a purposeful or industrious underta (especially one that requires effort or boldness)) "he had doubts about the whenterprise" S: (n) enterprise (an organization created for business ventures) "a growing enterprise must have a bold leader" 			

S: (n) enterprise, enterprisingness, initiative, go-ahead (readiness to embark on

Some Publicly Available Knowledge Bases

YAGO: <u>yago-knowledge.org</u>

Dbpedia: <u>dbpedia.org</u>

Freebase: <u>freebase.com</u> → Wikidata (www.wikidata.org)

Entitycube: research.microsoft.com/en-us/projects/entitycube/

NELL: rtw.ml.cmu.edu

DeepDive: research.cs.wisc.edu/hazy/demos/deepdive/index.php/Steve_Irwin

Probase: research.microsoft.com/en-us/projects/probase/

KnowItAll / ReVerb: openie.cs.washington.edu

reverb.cs.washington.edu

PATTY: www.mpi-inf.mpg.de/yago-naga/patty/

BabelNet: <u>lcl.uniroma1.it/babelnet</u>

WikiNet: www.h-its.org/english/research/nlp/download/wikinet.php

ConceptNet: <u>conceptnet5.media.mit.edu</u>

WordNet: wordnet.princeton.edu

Linked Open Data: linkeddata.org

Challenging Issues in Knowledge Harvesting

- Covering more entities beyond Wikipedia and discovering newly emerging entities
- Increasing the number of facts about entities and extracting more interesting relationship types in an open manner
- Capturing the temporal scope of relational facts
- Tapping into multilingual inputs such as Wikipedia editions in many different languages
- Extending fact-oriented knowledge bases with commonsense knowledge and (soft) rules
- Detecting and disambiguating entity mentions in natural-language text and other unstructured contents
- Large-scale sameAs linkage across many knowledge and data sources

Enabling Intelligent Applications

- Semantic search and question answering
 - Machine-readable encyclopedia are a rich source of answering expert-level questions in a precise and concise manner.
 - Interpreting users' information needs in terms of entities and relationships yields strong features for informative ranking of search results and entity-level recommendations over Web and enterprise data.
- Deep interpretation of natural language
 - Knowledge is the key to mapping surface phrases of written and spoken languages to their proper meanings.

Enabling Intelligent Applications

- Machine reading at scale
 - Users wish to obtain overviews of the salient entities and relationships for a week of news, a month of scientific articles, a year of political speeches, or a century of essays on a specific topic.
- Reasoning and smart assistants
 - Rich sets of facts and rules from a knowledge base enable computers to perform logical inferences in application contexts.
- Big-Data analytics over uncertain contents
 - Daily news, social media, scholarly publications, and other Web contents are the raw inputs for analytics to obtain insights on business, politics, health, and more.
 - Knowledge bases are key to discovering and tracking entities and relationships and thus making sense of noisy contents.

Use Case: Question Answering

This town is known as "Sin City" & its downtown is "Glitter Gulch"

Q: Sin City? 萬惡城市(美式漫畫改編的電影)

→ movie, graphical novel, nickname for city, ...

A: Vegas? Strip?

- → Vega (star), Suzanne Vega, Vincent Vega, Las Vegas, ...
- → comic strip, striptease, Las Vegas Strip, ...

This American city has two airports named after a war hero and a WW II battle

question classification & decomposition



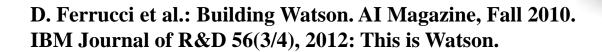
knowledge back-ends





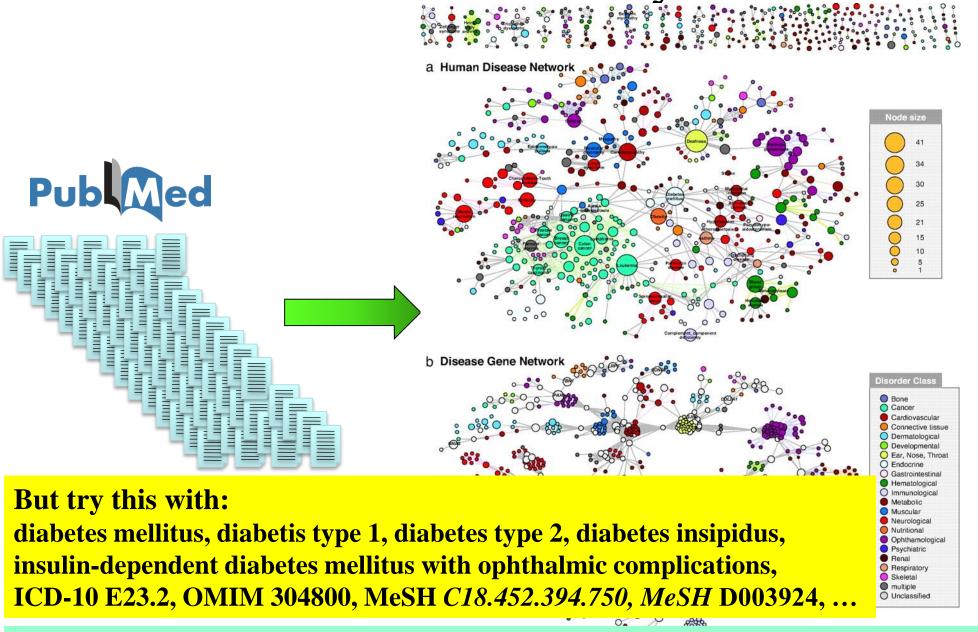








Use Case: Text Analytics



Use Case: Big Data+Text Analytics

Entertainment:

Who covered which other singer?
Who influenced which other musicians?

Health: Drugs (combinations) and their side effects

Politics: Politicians' positions on controversial topics

and their involvement with industry

Business: Customer opinions on small-company products,

gathered from social media

General Design Pattern:

- Identify relevant contents sources
- Identify entities of interest & their relationships
- Position in time & space
- Group and aggregate
- Find insightful patterns & predict trends

Spectrum of Machine Knowledge (1)

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factual knowledge:
bornIn (SteveJobs, SanFrancisco), hasFounded (SteveJobs, Pixar),
hasWon (SteveJobs, NationalMedalOfTechnology), livedIn (SteveJobs, PaloAlto)
taxonomic knowledge (ontology):
instanceOf (SteveJobs, computerArchitects), instanceOf(SteveJobs, CEOs)
subclassOf (computerArchitects, engineers), subclassOf(CEOs, businesspeople)
lexical knowledge (terminology):
means ("Big Apple", NewYorkCity), means ("Apple", AppleComputerCorp)
means ("MS", Microsoft), means ("MS", MultipleSclerosis)
contextual knowledge (entity occurrences, entity-name disambiguation)
maps ("Gates and Allen founded the Evil Empire",
       BillGates, PaulAllen, MicrosoftCorp)
linked knowledge (entity equivalence, entity resolution):
hasFounded (SteveJobs, Apple), isFounderOf (SteveWozniak, AppleCorp)
sameAs (Apple, AppleCorp), sameAs (hasFounded, isFounderOf)
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Spectrum of Machine Knowledge (2)

multi-lingual knowledge:

meansInChinese ("乔戈里峰", K2), meansInUrdu ("达", K2) meansInFr ("école", school (institution)), meansInFr ("banc", school (of fish))

temporal knowledge (fluents):

hasWon (SteveJobs, NationalMedalOfTechnology)@1985 marriedTo (AlbertEinstein, MilevaMaric)@[6-Jan-1903, 14-Feb-1919] presidentOf (NicolasSarkozy, France)@[16-May-2007, 15-May-2012]

spatial knowledge:

locatedIn (YumbillaFalls, Peru), instanceOf (YumbillaFalls, TieredWaterfalls) hasCoordinates (YumbillaFalls, 5°55'11.64"S 77°54'04.32"W), closestTown (YumbillaFalls, Cuispes), reachedBy (YumbillaFalls, RentALama)

Spectrum of Machine Knowledge (3)

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ephemeral knowledge (dynamic services):
wsdl:getSongs (musician ?x, song ?y), wsdl:getWeather (city?x, temp ?y)
common-sense knowledge (properties):
has Ability (Fish, swim), has Ability (Human, write),
hasShape (Apple, round), hasProperty (Apple, juicy),
hasMaxHeight (Human, 2.5 m)
common-sense knowledge (rules):
\forall x: human(x) \Rightarrow male(x) \vee female(x)
\forall x: (male(x) \Rightarrow \neg female(x)) \land (female(x)) \Rightarrow \neg male(x))
\forall x: human(x) \Rightarrow (\exists y: mother(x,y) \land \exists z: father(x,z))
\forall x: animal(x) \Rightarrow (hasLegs(x) \Rightarrow isEven(numberOfLegs(x))
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Spectrum of Machine Knowledge (4)

emerging knowledge (open IE):

hasWon (MerylStreep, AcademyAward)

occurs ("Meryl Streep", "celebrated for", "Oscar for Best Actress") occurs ("Quentin", "nominated for", "Oscar")

multimodal knowledge (photos, videos):

JimGray JamesBruceFalls







social knowledge (opinions):

admires (maleTeen, LadyGaga), supports (AngelaMerkel, HelpForGreece)

epistemic knowledge ((un-)trusted beliefs):

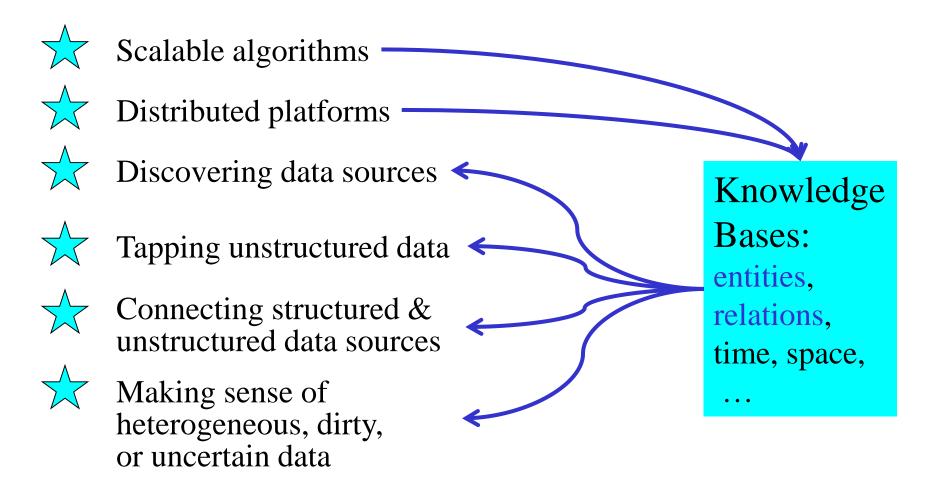
believe(Ptolemy,hasCenter(world,earth)), believe(Copernicus,hasCenter(world,sun)) believe (peopleFromTexas, bornIn(BarackObama,Kenya))

Knowledge Base Construction

- Knowledge Bases in the Big-Data Era
 - News, social media, web sites, and enterprise sources produce huge amounts of valuable contents in the form of text and speech.
 - Knowledge bases are a key asset for lifting unstructured contents into entityrelationship form and making the connection to structured data.
- Harvesting of Entities and Classes
 - Every entity in a knowledge base (such as Steve_Jobs) belongs to one or more classes (such as computer_pioneer).
 - Classes are organized into a taxonomy, where more special classes are subsumed by more general classes (such as person).

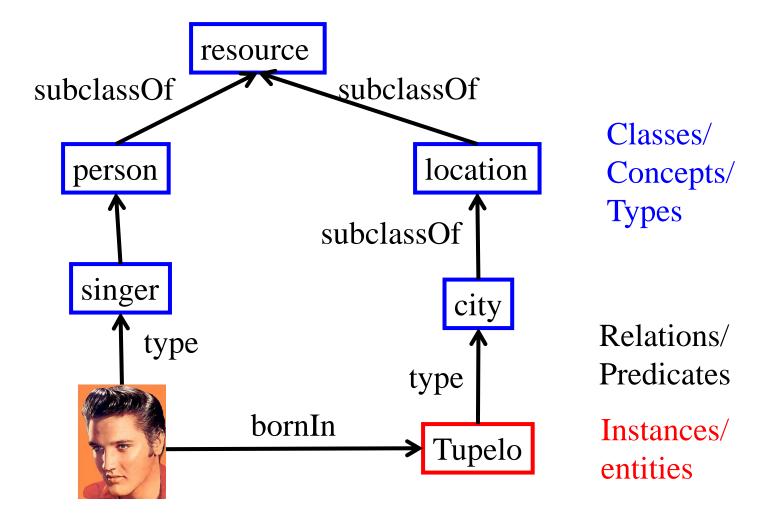
Knowledge Bases in the Big Data Era

Big Data Analytics



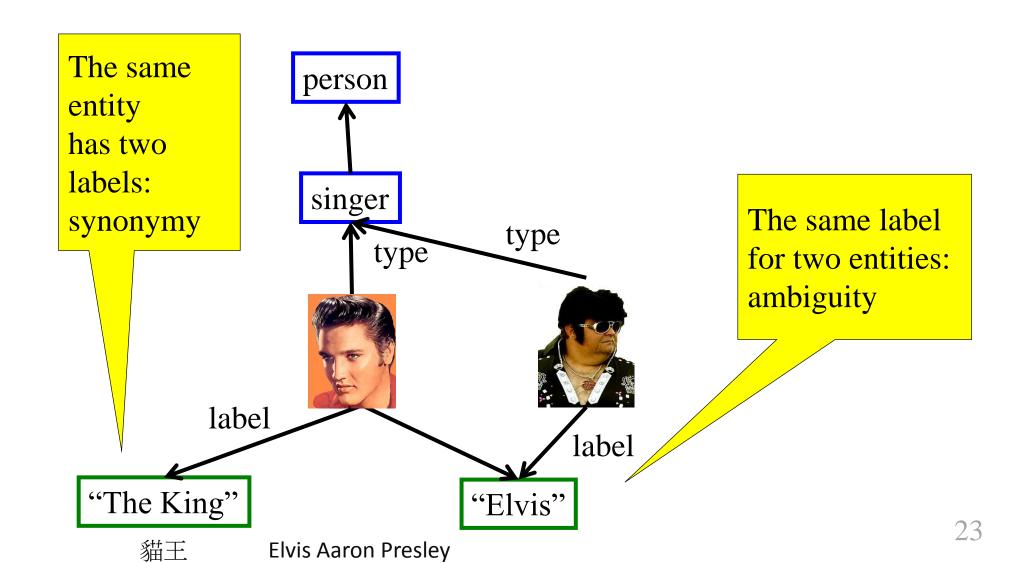
Taxonomic Knowledge: Entities and Classes

Knowledge Bases are labeled graphs



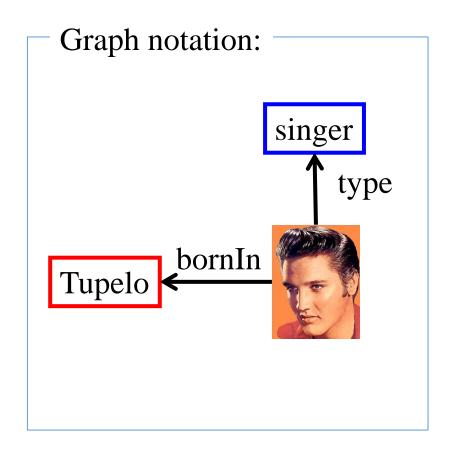
A knowledge base can be seen as a directed labeled multi-graph, where the nodes are entities and the edges relations.

An entity can have different labels



Different views of a knowledge base

We use "RDFS Ontology" and "Knowledge Base (KB)" synonymously.



Triple notation:

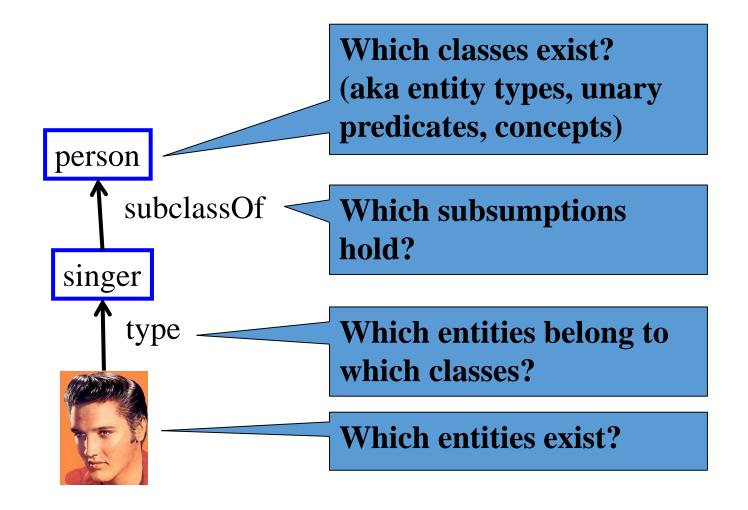
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Elvis	type	singer
Elvis	bornIn	Tupelo
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Logical notation:

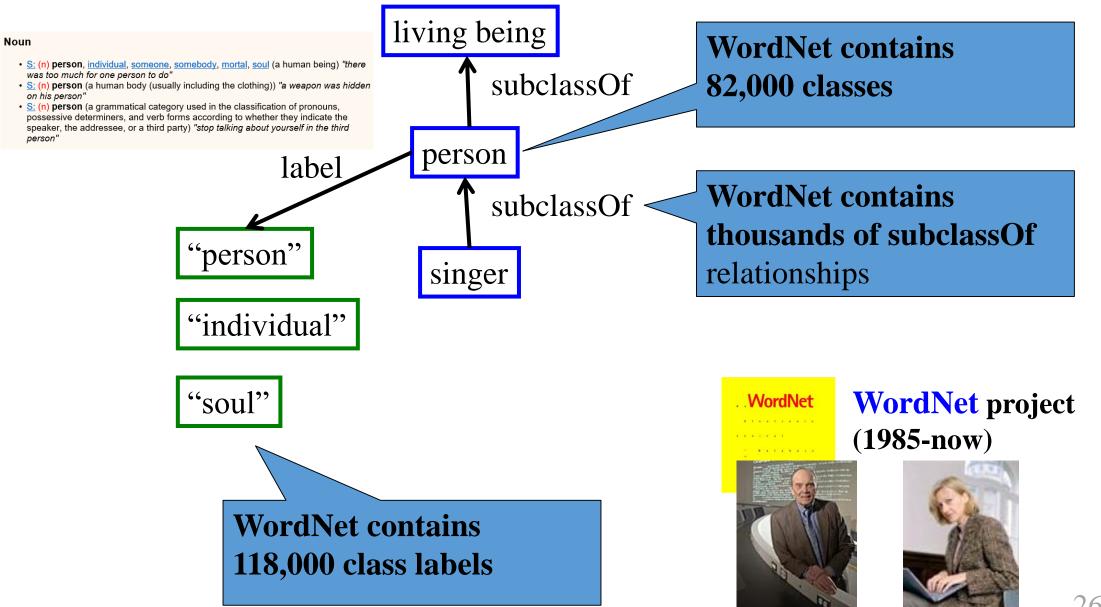
type(Elvis, singer)
bornIn(Elvis, Tupelo)

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Our Goal is finding classes and instances



WordNet is a lexical knowledge base



WordNet example: superclasses

- S: (n) singer, vocalist, vocalizer, vocaliser (a person who sings)
 - o direct hyponym I full hyponym
 - has instance
 - direct hypernym | inherited hypernym | sister term
 - S: (n) <u>musician</u>, <u>instrumentalist</u>, <u>player</u> (someone who plays a musical instrument (as a profession))
 - S: (n) performer, performing artist (an entertainer who performs a dramatic or musical work for an audience)
 - S: (n) entertainer (a person who tries to please or amuse)
 - S: (n) person, individual, someone, somebody, mortal, soul (a human being) "there was too much for one person to do"
 - S: (n) organism, being (a living thing that has (or can develop) the ability to act or function independently)
 - S: (n) <u>living thing</u>, <u>animate thing</u> (a living (or once living) entity)
 - S: (n) whole, unit (an assemblage of parts that is regarded as a single entity)
 "how big is that part compared to the whole?"; "the team is a unit"
 - S: (n) <u>object</u>, <u>physical object</u> (a tangible and visible entity; an entity

WordNet example: subclasses

- S: (n) singer, vocalist, vocalizer, vocaliser (a person who sings)
 - <u>direct hyponym</u> / <u>full hyponym</u>
 - S: (n) alto (a singer whose voice lies in the alto clef)
 - S: (n) baritone, barytone (a male singer)
 - S: (n) bass, basso (an adult male singer with the lowest voice)
 - S: (n) canary (a female singer)
 - S: (n) <u>caroler</u>, <u>caroller</u> (a singer of carols)
 - S: (n) <u>castrato</u> (a male singer who was castrated before puberty and retains a soprano or alto voice)
 - S: (n) chorister (a singer in a choir)
 - S: (n) contralto (a woman singer having a contralto voice)
 - S: (n) crooner, balladeer (a singer of popular ballads)
 - S: (n) folk singer, jongleur, minstrel, poet-singer, troubadour (a singer of folk songs)
 - S: (n) <u>hummer</u> (a singer who produces a tune without opening the lips or forming words)
 - S: (n) lieder singer (a singer of lieder)
 - S: (n) madrigalist (a singer of madrigals)
 - S: (n) opera star, operatic star (singer of lead role in an opera)
 - S: (n) rapper (someone who performs rap music)
 - S: (n) rock star (a famous singer of rock music)
 - S: (n) songster (a person who sings)
 - S: (n) soprano (a female singer)

WordNet example: instances

- S: (n) Joplin, Janis Joplin (United States singer who died of a drug overdose at the height of her popularity (1943-1970))
- S: (n) King, B. B. King, Riley B King (United States guitar player and singer) of the blues (born in 1925))
- S: (n) Lauder, Harry Lauder, Sir Harry MacLennan Lauder (Scottish ballad) singer and music hall comedian (1870-1950))
- S: (n) <u>Ledbetter</u>, <u>Huddie Leadbetter</u>, <u>Leadbelly (United States folk singer</u> and composer (1885-1949))
- S: (n) Madonna, Madonna Louise Ciccone (Ur sex symbol during the 1980s (born in 1958))
- S: (n) Marley, Robert Nesta Marley, Bob Marle 5 scientists popularized reggae (1945-1981))
- S: (n) Martin, Dean Martin, Dino Paul Crocetti (1917-1995)
- S: (n) Merman, Ethel Merman (United States s 2 entrepreneurs several musical comedies (1909-1984))
- S: (n) Orbison, Roy Orbison (United States cor popular in the 1950s (1936-1988))
- S: (n) Piaf, Edith Piaf, Edith Giovanna Gassion cabaret singer (1915-1963))
- S: (n) Robeson, Paul Robeson, Paul Bustill Robeson (United States bass) singer and an outspoken critic of racism and proponent of socialism (1898-1976))
- S: (n) Russell, Lillian Russell (United States entertainer remembered for her 29)

only 32 singers!?

- 4 guitarists
- 0 enterprises

WordNet classes

lack instances 🖊

Goal is to go beyond WordNet

WordNet is not perfect:

- it contains only few instances
- it contains only common nouns as classes
- it contains only English labels

... but it contains a wealth of information that can be the starting point for further extraction.

HARVESTING FACTS AT WEB SCALE

- Harvesting Relational Facts
 - Steve Jobs
 - Steve_Jobs founded Apple_Inc.
 - Steve_Jobs was_Board_Member_of Walt_Disney_Company
 - Steve_Jobs died_on 5-Oct-2011
 - Steve_Jobs died_of Pancreas_Cancer
 - Steve_Jobs has_Friend Joan_Baez, and more
 - Information sources
 - Web data, tapping both semistructured sources like Wikipedia infoboxes, lists, and tables
 - natural-language text sources like Wikipedia full-text articles, news and social media
 - Methods
 - pattern matching (e.g., regular expressions)
 - computational linguistics (e.g., dependency parsing)
 - Statistical learning (e.g., factor graphs and Markov Logic Network (MLN's))
 - logical consistency
 - reasoning

Web-based Methods

Hearst patterns extract instances from text

[M. Hearst 1992]

Goal: find instances of classes

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Hearst defined lexico-syntactic patterns for type relationship:
    X such as Y; X like Y;
    X and other Y; X including Y;
    X, especially Y;

Find such patterns in text: //better with POS tagging companies such as Apple
    Google, Microsoft and other companies
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companies such as Apple
Google, Microsoft and other companies
Internet companies like Amazon and Facebook
Chinese cities including Kunming and Shangri-La
computer pioneers like the late Steve Jobs
computer pioneers and other scientists
lakes in the vicinity of Brisbane

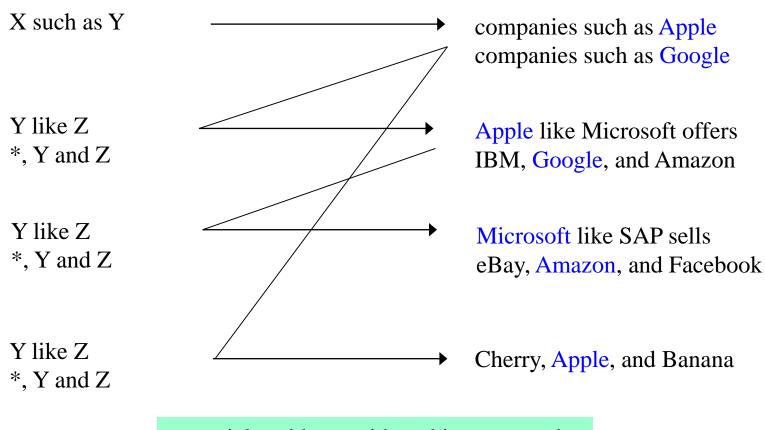
Derive type(Y,X)

type(Apple, company), type(Google, company), ...

Recursively applied patterns increase recall

[Kozareva/Hovy 2010]

use results from Hearst patterns as seeds then use "parallel-instances" patterns



potential problems with ambiguous words

Doubly-anchored patterns are more robust

[Kozareva/Hovy 2010, Dalvi et al. 2012]

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Goal:
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find instances of classes

Start with a set of seeds:

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companies = {Microsoft, Google}
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Parse Web documents and find the pattern

W, Y and Z

If two of three placeholders match seeds, harvest the third:

Google, Microsoft and Amazon → type(Amazon, company)

Instances can be extracted from tables

[Kozareva/Hovy 2010, Dalvi et al. 2012]

Goal: find instances of classes

Start with a set of seeds:

cities = {Paris, Shanghai, Brisbane}

Parse Web documents and find tables

| Paris | France |
|----------|---------|
| Shanghai | China |
| Berlin | Germany |
| London | UK |

| Paris | Iliad |
|----------|-------------|
| Helena | Iliad |
| Odysseus | Odysee |
| Rama | Mahabaratha |

If at least two seeds appear in a column, harvest the others:

type(Berlin, city)
type(London, city)



Extracting instances from lists & tables

[Etzioni et al. 2004, Cohen et al. 2008, Mitchell et al. 2010]

State-of-the-Art Approach (e.g. SEAL):

- Start with seeds: a few class instances
- Find lists, tables, text snippets ("for example: ..."), ... that contain one or more seeds
- Extract candidates: noun phrases from vicinity
- Gather co-occurrence stats (seed&cand, cand&className pairs)
- Rank candidates
 - point-wise mutual information, ...
 - random walk (PR-style) on seed-cand graph

Caveats:

Precision drops for classes with sparse statistics (IR profs, ...)

Harvested items are names, not entities

Canonicalization (de-duplication) unsolved

Probase builds a taxonomy from the Web

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Use Hearst liberally to obtain many instance candidates:
"plants such as trees and grass"
"plants include water turbines"
"western movies such as The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly"
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Problem: signal vs. noise

Assess candidate pairs statistically:

$$P[X|Y] >> P[X*|Y] \rightarrow subclassOf(Y|X)$$

Problem: ambiguity of labels

Merge labels of same class:

X such as Y_1 and $Y_2 \rightarrow$ same sense of X

ProBase

2.7 Mio. classes from

1.7 Bio. Web pages

[Wu et al.: SIGMOD 2012]

Probase: Using the World as its Model

Knowledge in Probase is harnessed from billions of web pages and years worth of search logs -- these are nothing more than the digitized footprints of human communication. In other words, Probase uses the world as its model.

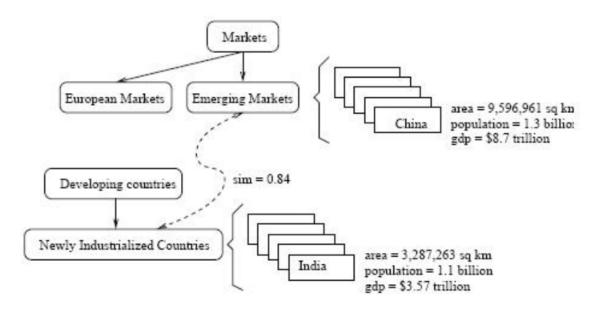


Figure 1: A snippet of Probase's core taxonomy

Figure 1 shows what is inside Probase. The knowledgebase consists of **concepts** (e.g. emerging markets), **instances** (e.g., China), **attributes** and **values** (e.g., China's population is 1.3 billion), and **relationships** (e.g., emerging markets, as a concept, is closely related to newly industrialized countries), all of which are automatically derived in an unsupervised manner.

But Probase is much more than a traditional ontology/taxonomy. Probase is unique in two aspects. First, **Probase has an extremely large concept/category space (2.7 million categories).** As these concepts are automatically acquired from web pages authored by millions of users, it is probably true that they cover most concepts in our mental world (about worldly facts). Second, **data in Probase, as knowledge in our mind, is not black or white. Probase quantifies the**

http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/projects/probase/

Use query logs to refine taxonomy

Input:

[Pasca 2011]

 $type(Y,\,X_1),\,type(Y,\,X_2),\,type(Y,\,X_3),\,e.g,\,extracted\,\,from\,\,Web$ Y: instance $\,$ X_1, X_2, X_3: type

Goal: rank candidate classes X_1 , X_2 , X_3

Combine the following scores to rank candidate classes:

H1: X and Y should co-occur frequently in queries

using documents

$$\rightarrow$$
 score1(X) ~ freq(X,Y) * #distinctPatterns(X,Y)

Tree, plant Tree, plant, water Tree, plant

H2: If Y is ambiguous, then users will query X Y:

using queries

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\rightarrow score2(X) \sim (\prod_{i=1..N} term\text{-score}(t_i \in X))^{1/N} example query: "Michael Jordan computer scientist"
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t₂ "...

H3: If Y is ambiguous, then users will query first X, then X Y:

using query sessions \rightarrow score3(X) $\sim (\prod_{i=1..N} term\text{-session-score}(t_i \in X))^{1/N}$

computer: 1 scientist: 2

computer scientist

..

Michael Jordan

scientist

...

Michael Jordan

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Open Information Extraction

- Open IE harvests arbitrary subject-predicate-object triples from natural-language documents
 - Noun phrases: entity candidates
 - Verbal phrases: prototypic patterns for relations
- hasWonPrize relation
 - "candidate for . . . prize"
 - "expected to win . . . prize"

Factual Knowledge: Relations between Entities

We focus on given binary relations

Given binary relations with type signature

hasAdvisor: Person × Person

graduatedAt: Person × University

hasWonPrize: Person × Award

bornOn: Person × Date

... find instances of these relations

hasAdvisor (JimGray, MikeHarrison)

hasAdvisor (HectorGarcia-Molina, Gio Wiederhold)

hasAdvisor (Susan Davidson, Hector Garcia-Molina)

graduatedAt (JimGray, Berkeley)

graduatedAt (HectorGarcia-Molina, Stanford)

hasWonPrize (JimGray, TuringAward)

bornOn (JohnLennon, 9-Oct-1940)

IE can tap into different sources

Semi-structured data

"Low-Hanging Fruit" 唾手可得

- Wikipedia infoboxes & categories
- HTML lists & tables, etc.

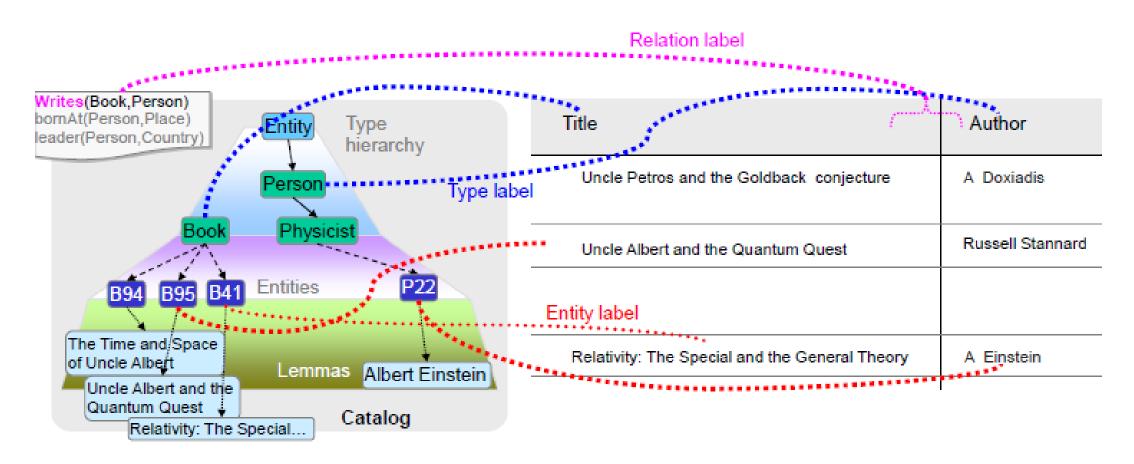
Free text

"Cherrypicking" 最佳選擇

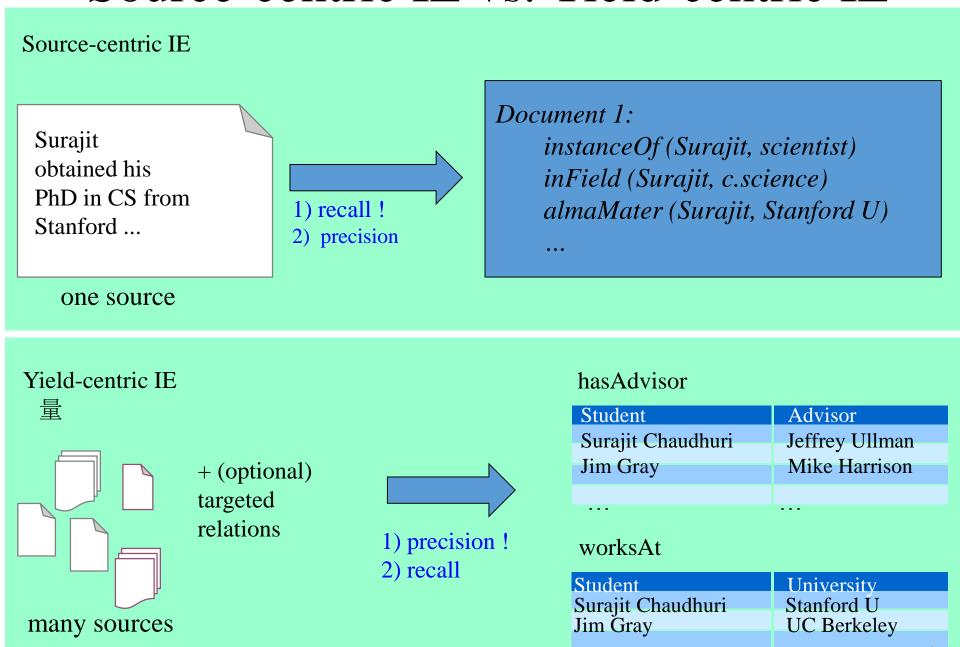
- Hearst patterns & other shallow NLP
- Iterative pattern-based harvesting
- Consistency reasoning

Web tables

Annotating Tables with Entity, Type, and Relation links

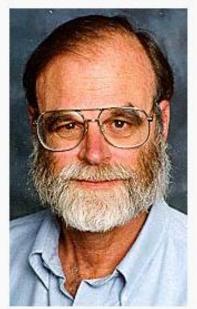


Source-centric IE vs. Yield-centric IE



Wikipedia provides data in infoboxes

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Born January 12, 1944^[1]

San Francisco, California [2]

Died (lost at sea) January 28, 2007

Nationality American

Fields Computer Science

Institutions IBM, Tandem Computers, DEC,

Microsoft

Alma mater University of California, Berkeley

Doctoral advisor Michael Harrison [2]

Known for Work on database and transaction

processing systems

Notable awards Turing Award

Barbara Liskov



Born 1939 (age 70–71)

Nationality American

Fields Computer Science

Institutions Massachusetts Institute of

Technology

Alma mater University of California, Berkeley

Stanford University

Doctoral John McCarthy^[1]

Notable awards IEEE John von Neumann Medal,

A. M. Turing Award

Serge Abiteboul

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Doctoral

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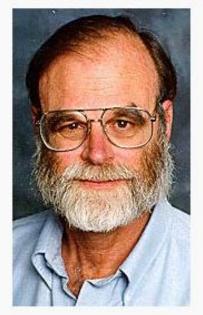
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{{Infobox scientist
| name = James Nicholas "Jim" Gray
| birth_date = {{birth date|1944|1|12}}
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Use regular expressions

to detect dates

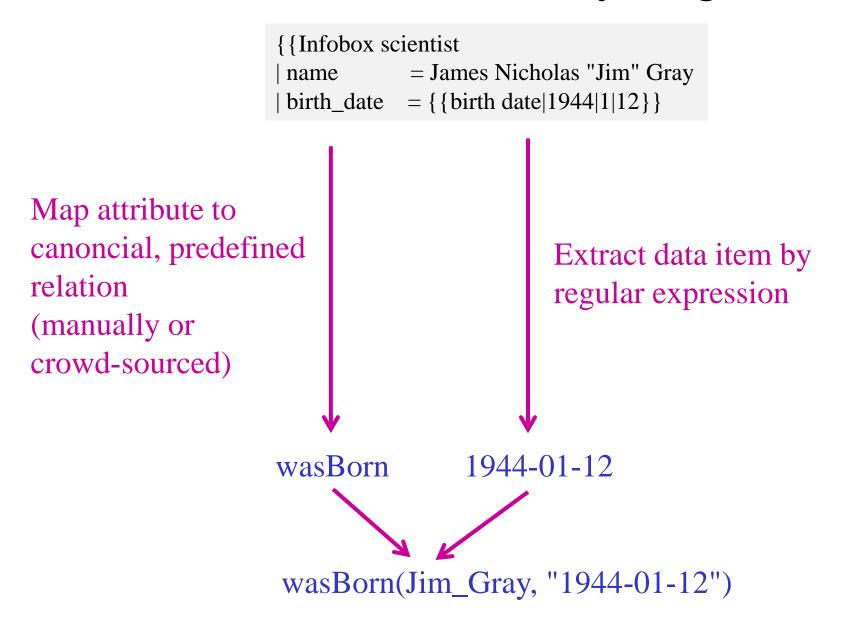
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\{\|(d+)\|(d+)\|(d+)\|
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to detect links

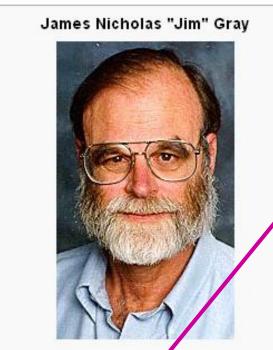
• to detect numeric expressions

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(\d+)(\.\d+)?(in|inches|")
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Learn how articles express facts



Born January 12, 1944^[1]

San Francisco, California [2]

Died (lost at sea) January 28, 2007

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find attribute value in full text

learn pattern

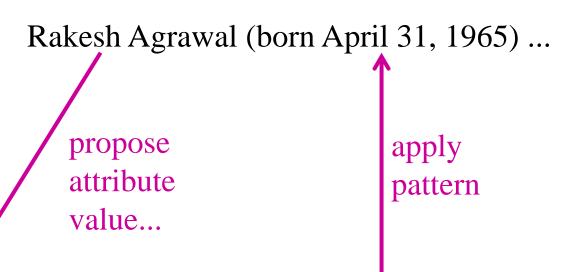
XYZ (born MONTH DAY, YEAR

Extract from articles w/o infobox



Name: R.Agrawal

Birth date: ?



XYZ (born MONTH DAY, YEAR

... and/or build fact

bornOnDate(R.Agrawal, 1965-04-31)

Use CRF to express patterns

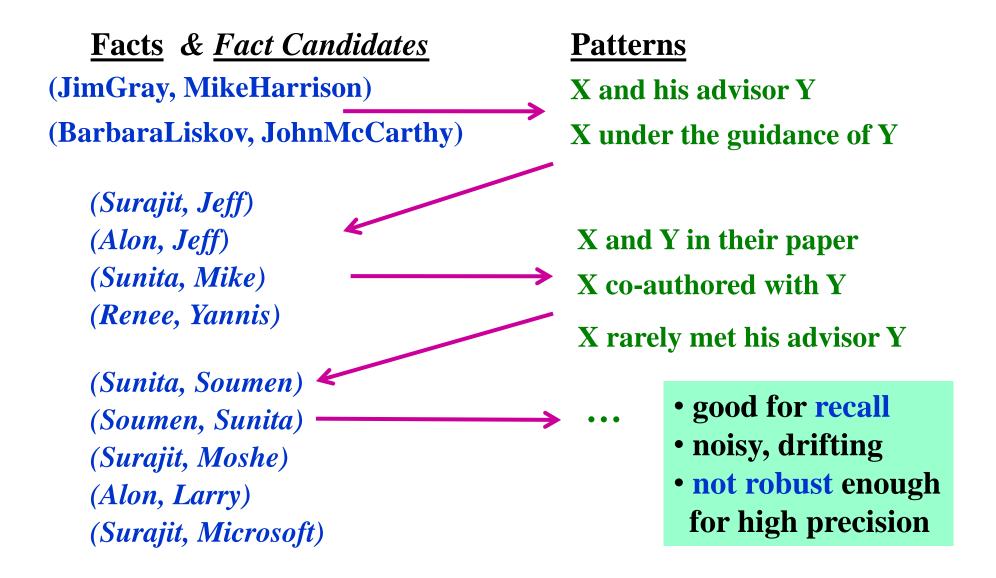
 \vec{x} = James "Jim" Gray (born January 12, 1944 \vec{x} = James "Jim" Gray (born in January, 1944 \vec{y} = OTH OTH OTH OTH VAL VAL

$$P(\vec{Y} = \vec{y} | \vec{X} = \vec{x}) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \sum_{t} \sum_{k} w_{k} f_{k}(y_{t-1}, y_{t}, \vec{x}, t)$$

Features can take into account

- token types (numeric, capitalization, etc.)
- word windows preceding and following position
- deep-parsing dependencies
- first sentence of article
- membership in relation-specific lexicons

Facts yield patterns – and vice versa



Statistics yield pattern assessment

Support of pattern p: # occurrences of p with seeds (e1,e2) # occurrences of all patterns with seeds Confidence of pattern p: # occurrences of p with seeds (e1,e2) # occurrences of p Confidence of fact candidate (e1,e2): $\Sigma_{\rm p}$ freq(e1,p,e2)*conf(p) / $\Sigma_{\rm p}$ freq(e1,p,e2) freq(e1,e2) or: PMI (e1,e2) = logfreq(e1) freq(e2)

- gathering can be iterated,
- can promote best facts to additional seeds for next round

Negative Seeds increase precision

(Ravichandran 2002; Suchanek 2006; ...)

Problem: Some patterns have high support, but poor precision:

X is the largest city of Y for isCapitalOf (X,Y) joint work of X and Y for hasAdvisor (X,Y)

Idea: Use positive and negative seeds:

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pos. seeds: (Paris, France), (Rome, Italy), (New Delhi, India), ...
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neg. seeds: (Sydney, Australia), (Istanbul, Turkey), ...

Compute the confidence of a pattern as:

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# occurrences of p with pos. seeds
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occurrences of p with pos. seeds or neg. seeds

- can promote best facts to additional seeds for next round
- can promote rejected facts to additional counter-seeds
- works more robustly with few seeds & counter-seeds

Generalized patterns increase recall

(N. Nakashole 2011)

Problem: Some patterns are too narrow and thus have small recall:

- X and his celebrated advisor Y
- X carried out his doctoral research in math under the supervision of Y
- X received his PhD degree in the CS dept at Y
- X obtained his PhD degree in math at Y

Idea: generalize patterns to n-grams, allow POS tags

- X { his doctoral research, under the supervision of } Y
- X { PRP ADJ advisor } Y
- X { PRP doctoral research, IN DET supervision of} Y

Compute
n-gram-sets
by frequent
sequence
mining

Compute match quality of pattern p with sentence q by Jaccard:

$$|\{n\text{-grams} \in p\} \cap \{n\text{-grams} \in q]|$$

 $|\{n\text{-grams} \in p\} \cup \{n\text{-grams} \in q]|$

Deep Parsing makes patterns robust

(Bunescu 2005, Suchanek 2006, ...)

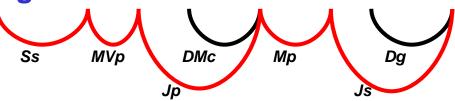
Problem: Surface patterns fail if the text shows variations

Cologne <u>lies on the banks of the</u> Rhine.

Paris, the French capital, <u>lies on the</u> beautiful <u>banks of the</u> Seine.

Idea: Use deep linguistic parsing to define patterns

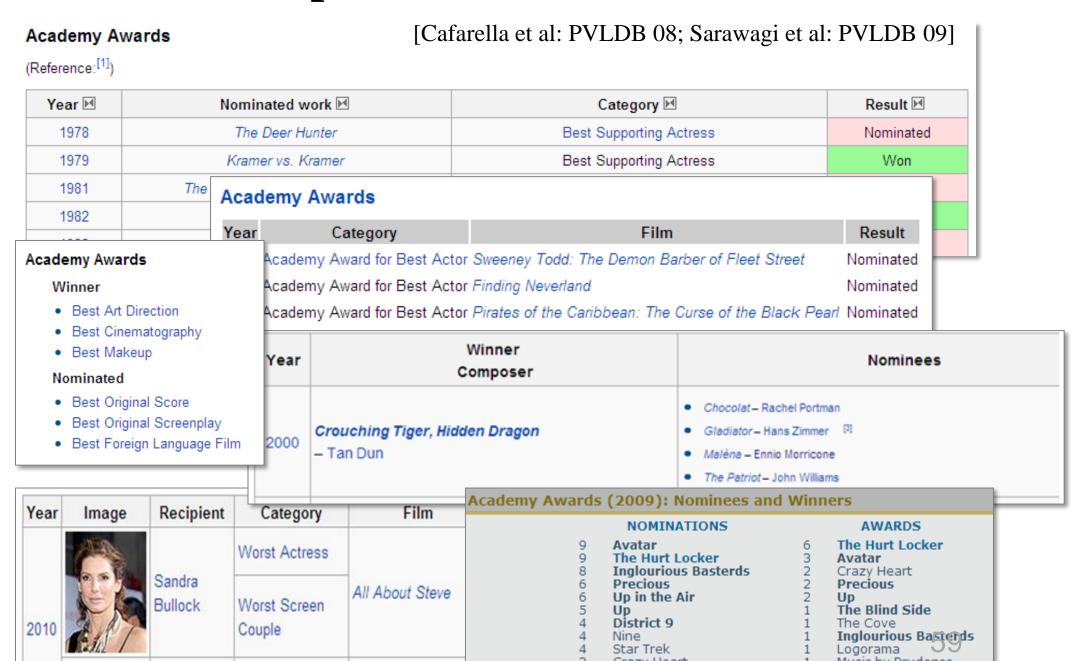
Cologne lies on the banks of the Rhine



Deep linguistic patterns work even on sentences with variations

Paris, the French capital, lies on the beautiful banks of the Seine

Web Tables provide relational information



Web Tables can be annotated with YAGO

[Limaye, Sarawagi, Chakrabarti: PVLDB 10]

Goal: enable semantic search over Web tables

Idea:

- Map column headers to Yago classes,
- Map cell values to Yago entities
- Using joint inference for factor-graph learning model

| *************************************** | | yago | |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|--|
| Title | Author | select knowledge | |
| Hitchhiker's guide | D Adams | Entity | |
| A short history of time | S Hawkins | Book Person | |
| **** | | hasAuthor 60 | |

Statistics yield semantics of Web tables

Conference City

| description | location | deadline |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Third Workshop on Large-scale Data
Mining: Theory and Applications (LDMTA
2011) | San Diego, CA,
USA | May 21st, 2011 |
| Mining Data Semantics (MDS2011)
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Idea: Infer classes from co-occurrences, headers are class names

$$P(class|val_1,...,val_n) = \prod \frac{P(class|val_i)}{P(class)}$$

Result from 12 Mio. Web tables:

- 1.5 Mio. labeled columns (=classes)
- 155 Mio. instances (=values)

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Idea: Infer facts from table rows, header identifies relation name

hasLocation(ThirdWorkshop, SanDiego)

but: classes&entities not canonicalized. Instances may include: Google Inc., Google, NASDAQ GOOG, Google search engine, ...

Jet Li, Li Lianjie, Ley Lin Git, Li Yangzhong, Nameless hero, ...

KNOWLEDGE FOR BIG DATA

Emerging Knowledge: New Entities & Relations

Discovering "Unknown" Knowledge

Open and Dynamic Knowledge Harvesting: would like to discover new entities and new relation types <name1, phrase, name2>

Madame Bruni in her happy marriage with the French president ...

The first lady had a passionate affair with Stones singer Mick ...

Natalie was honored by the Oscar ...

Bonham Carter was disappointed that her nomination for the Oscar ...

Temporal Knowledge: Validity Times of Facts

As Time Goes By: Temporal Knowledge

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Which facts for given relations hold at what time point or during which time intervals?

marriedTo (Madonna, GuyRitchie) [ 22Dec2000, Dec2008 ]
capitalOf (Berlin, Germany) [ 1990, now ]
capitalOf (Bonn, Germany) [ 1949, 1989 ]
hasWonPrize (JimGray, TuringAward) [ 1998 ]
graduatedAt (HectorGarcia-Molina, Stanford) [ 1979 ]
graduatedAt (SusanDavidson, Princeton) [ Oct 1982 ]
hasAdvisor (SusanDavidson, HectorGarcia-Molina) [ Oct 1982, forever ]
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How can we query & reason on entity-relationship facts in a "time-travel" manner - with uncertain/incomplete KB?

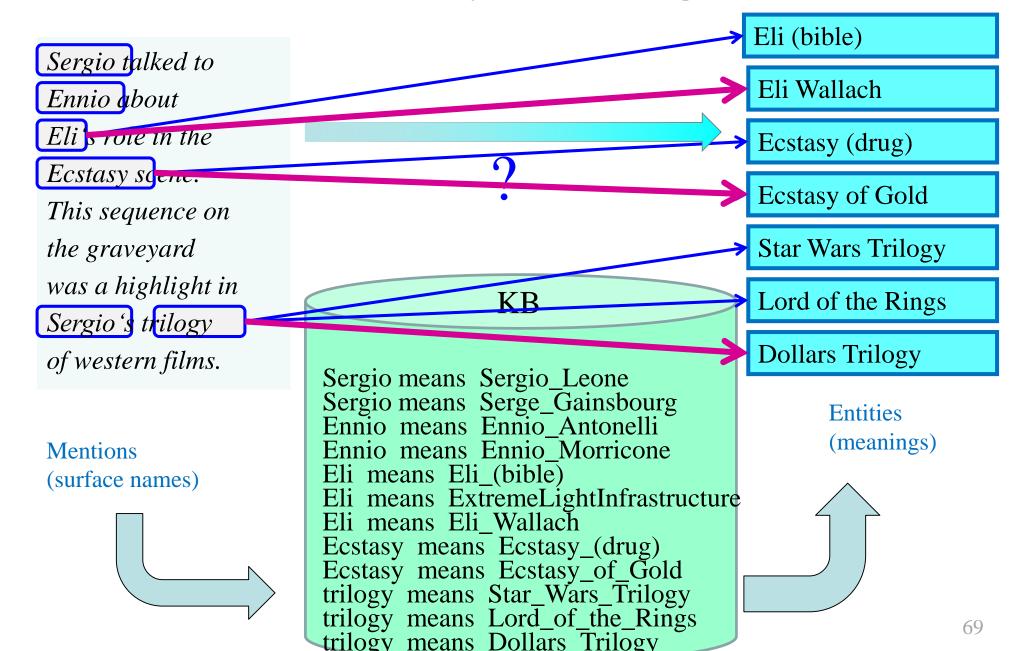
US president's wife when Steve Jobs died?

students of Hector Garcia-Molina while he was at Princeton?
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Named-Entity Disambiguation

- Entity mentions are just noun phrases and still ambiguous.
- Mapping mentions to canonicalized entities registered in a knowledge base is the task of named-entity disambiguation (NED).
- NED is a special case of the general word-sense disambiguation problem.
- State-of-the-art NED methods combine context similarity between the surroundings of a mention and salient phrases associated with an entity.

Named Entity Disambiguation



Entity Linkage

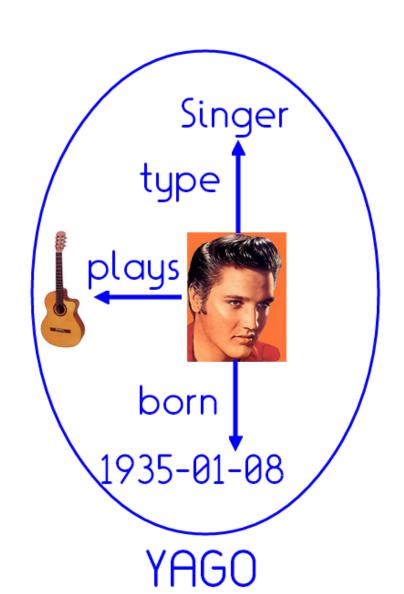
- More and more structured data on the Web, in the form of (HTML) tables, microdata embedded in Web pages (using, e.g., the schema.org vocabulary), and Linked Open Data.
- For knowledge bases and Linked Open Data, it is of particular interest because of the need for generating and maintaining owl:sameAs linkage across knowledge resources.

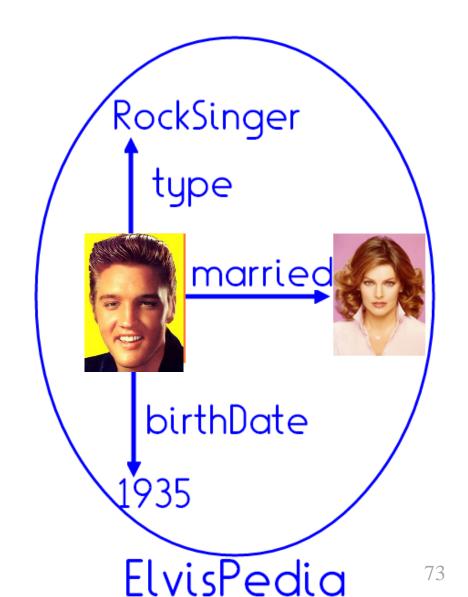
MicroData

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<div>
  <h1>Avatar</h1>
  <span>Director: James Cameron (born August 16, 1954)</span>
  <span>Science fiction</span>
  <a href="../movies/avatar-theatrical-trailer.html">Trailer</a>
  </div>
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<div itemscope itemtype="http://schema.org/Movie">
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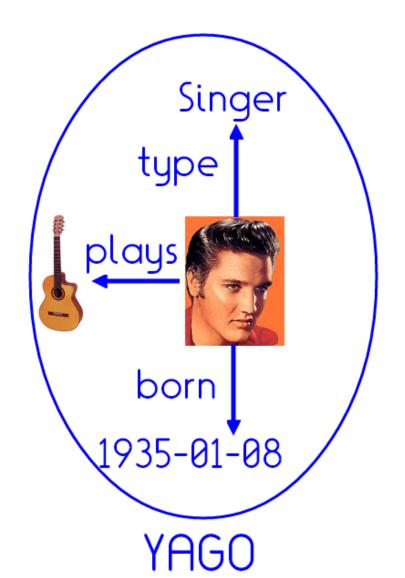
Knowledge bases are complementary

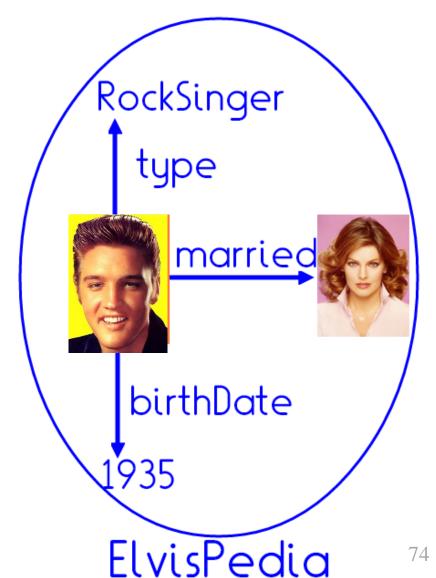




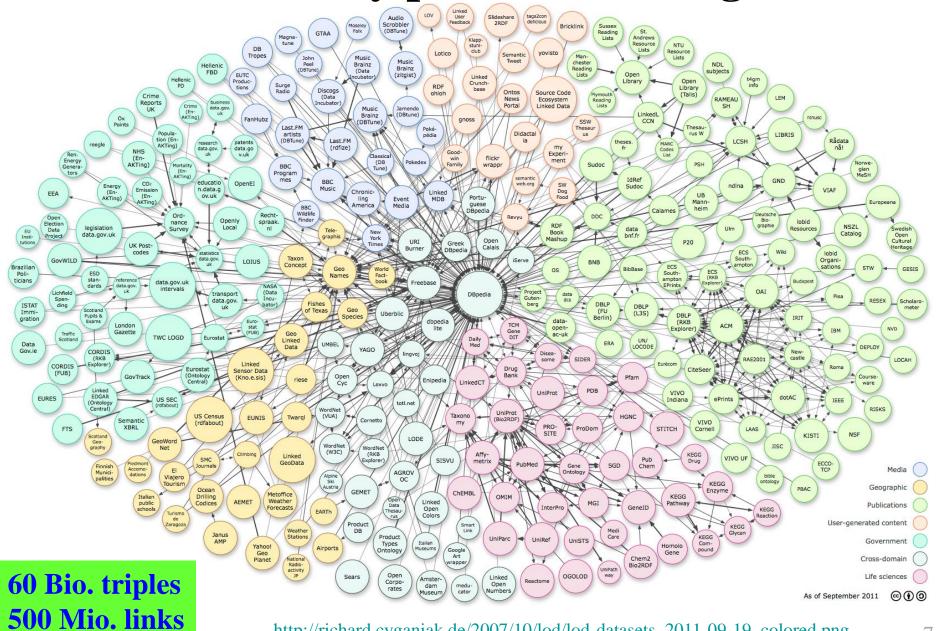
No Links \Rightarrow No Use

Who is the spouse of the guitar player?

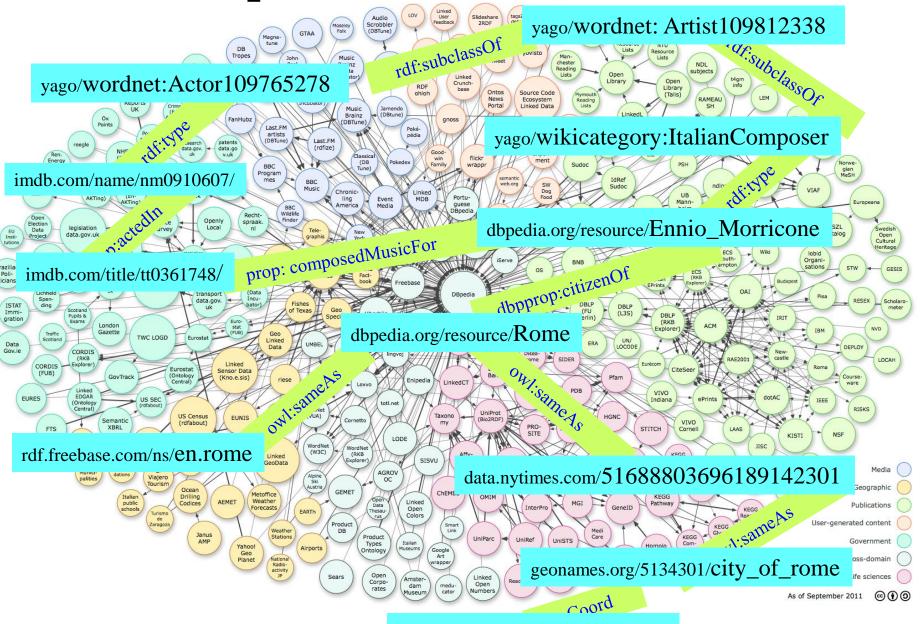




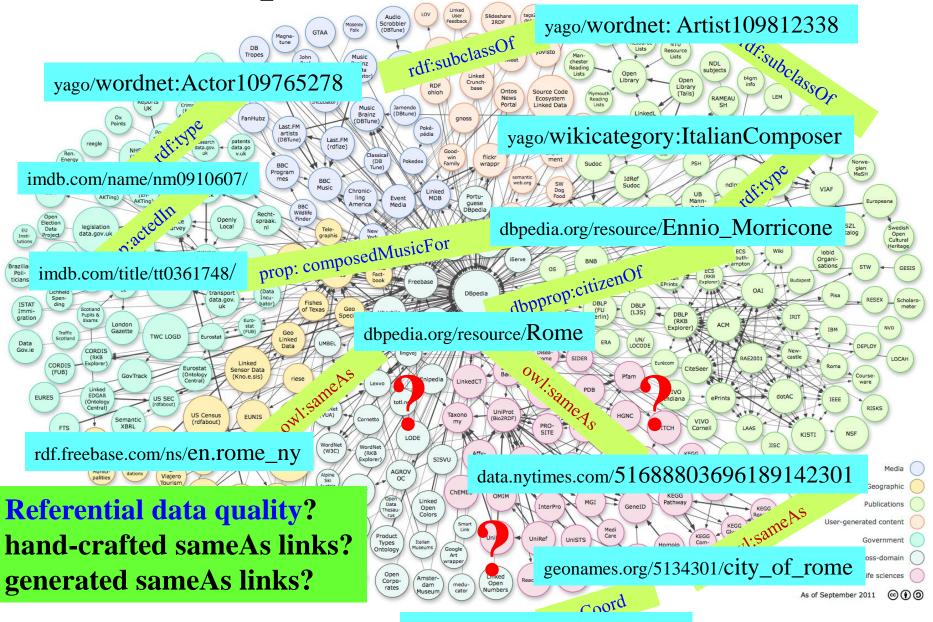
There are many public knowledge bases



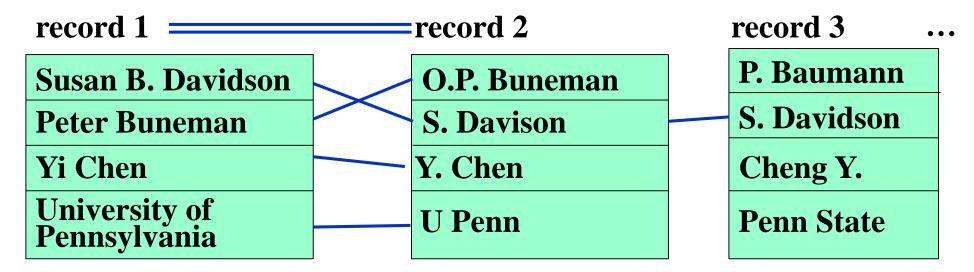
Link equivalent entities across KBs



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Record Linkage between Databases



Goal: Find equivalence classes of entities, and of records

Techniques:

- similarity of values (edit distance, n-gram overlap, etc.)
- joint agreement of linkage
- similarity joins, grouping/clustering, collective learning, etc.
- often domain-specific customization (similarity measures etc.)

Halbert L. Dunn: Record Linkage. American Journal of Public Health. 1946 H.B. Newcombe et al.: Automatic Linkage of Vital Records. Science, 1959. I.P. Fellegi, A.B. Sunter: A Theory of Record Linkage. J. of American Statist. Soc., 1969.

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Linking Records vs. Linking Knowledge

record

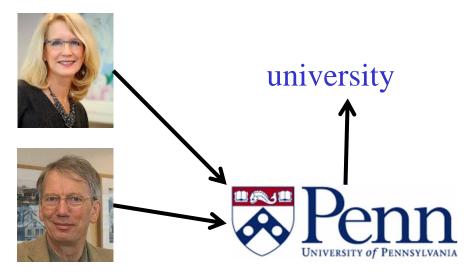
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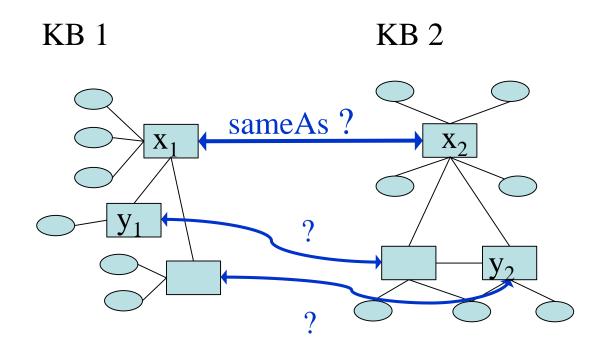
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Differences between DB records and KB entities:

- Ontological links have rich semantics (e.g. subclassOf)
- Ontologies have only binary predicates
- Ontologies have no schema
- Match not just entities,
 but also classes & predicates (relations)

Similarity of entities depends on similarity of neighborhoods



sameAs(x1, x2) depends on sameAs(y1, y2) which depends on sameAs(x1, x2)