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This document is part of the paper "RDF^M: An Alternative Approach for representing and maintaining meta-knowledge in Web of Data". It presents the matching algorithm which is used in the paper.

1 Algorithm

Algorithm Step 3.2: `matching_function`

Input: line send by Algorithm 1.

Output: Result send back to Algorithm 1.

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1: procedure EXECUTE line containing user_query
2:   for each line do
3:     if subject is variable, object is variable then.
4:       if subject variable is new then
5:         Append the contents of subject-dict of result dict with that of subject-dict of
current dict. And Add variable to list in vars['subject']
6:       end if
7:       if subject is variable and is previously encountered then
8:         Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
9:         for each key in associated-dict do
10:          if key exists in current dict's subject-dict then
11:            Make union of current dict's subject-dict[key] and result dict's associated-
dict[key].
12:            Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
13:          end if
14:          if key not found in subject-dict of current dict then
15:            Delete the key from associated-dict of result dict.
16:          end if
17:        end for
18:      end if
19:      if object variable is new then
20:        Append the contents of object-dict of result dict with that of object-dict of current
dict.
21:        Add variable to list in vars['object']
22:      end if
23:      if object is variable and is previously encountered then
24:        Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
25:        for each key in associated-dict do
26:          if key exists in current dict's object-dict then
27:            Make union of current dict's object-dict[key] and result dict's associated-
dict[key].
28:            Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
29:          end if
30:          if key not found in object-dict of current dict then
31:            Delete the key from associated-dict of result dict.
32:          end if
33:        end for
34:      end if
35:      if subject is given, object is variable then
36:        Keep the matching given subject in result dict's subject-dict.
37:        for each non-matching key in subject-dict do
38:          Remove subject from object-dict of result dict.
39:          Remove object from uid-dict of result dict.
40:        end for
41:        Remove the non-matching keys.
42:        if object variable is new then
43:          Append the contents of object-dict of result dict with that of object-dict of current
dict and add variable to list in vars['object']
44:        end if
45:        if object is variable and is previously encountered then
46:          Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
47:          for each key in associated-dict do
48:            if key exists in current dict's object-dict then
49:              Make union of current dict's object-dict[key] and result dict's associated-
dict[key].
50:              Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
51:            end if
52:            if key not found in object-dict of current dict then
53:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result dict.
54:            end if
55:          end for
56:        end if
57:      end if
58:    end if
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59:      if subject is variable, object is given then
60:          Keep the matching given object in result dict's subject-dict.
61:      for each non-matching key in object-dict do
62:          Remove subject from subject-dict of result dict.
63:          Remove object from uid-dict of result dict.
64:      end for
65:      Remove the non-matching object keys.
66:      if subject variable is new then
67:          Append the contents of subject-dict of result dict with that of subject-dict of
current dict.
68:          Add variable to list in vars['subject']
69:      end if
70:      if subject is variable and is previously encountered then
71:          Find the position of previous encounter.
72:          Previously at subject, object or uid position, select the associated dictionary.
73:      for each key in associated-dict do
74:          if key exists in current dict's subject-dict then
75:              Make union of current dict's subject-dict[key] and result dict's associated-
dict[key].
76:              Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
77:          end if
78:          if key not found in subject-dict of current dict then
79:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result dict.
80:          end if
81:      end for
82:      end if
83:  end if
84:  if subject is given, object is given then
85:      Keep the matching given object in result dict's subject-dict.
86:      for each non-matching key in object-dict do
87:          Remove subject from subject-dict of result dict.
88:          Remove object from uid-dict of result dict.
89:      end for
90:      Remove the non-matching keys.
91:      Keep the matching given subject in result dict's subject-dict.
92:      for each non-matching key in subject-dict do
93:          Remove subject from object-dict of result dict.
94:          Remove object from uid-dict of result dict.
95:      end for
96:      Remove the non-matching keys.
97:  end if
98:  Start UID1 processing.
99:  if UID is variable in user query then check:
100:      if UID variable is new then
101:          Append the contents of uid-dict of result dict with that of uid-dict of current
dict.
102:          Add variable to list in vars['uid']
103:      end if
104:      if UID is variable and is previously encountered then
105:          Find the position of previous encounter.
106:          Previously at sub, object or uid position, select the associated dictionary.
107:      for each key in associated-dict do
108:          if key exists in current dict's uid-dict then
109:              Make union of current dict's uid-dict[key] and result dict's associated-
dict[key].
110:              Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
111:          end if
112:          if key not found in uid-dict of current dict then
113:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result dict.
114:          end if
115:      end for
116:      end if
117:  end if

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118:         if UID1 is given then
119:             Keep the matching given UID in result dict's uid-dict.
120:         for each non-matching key in uid-dict do
121:             Remove subject from subject-dict of result dict.
122:             Remove object from object-dict of result dict.
123:         end for
124:         Remove the non-matching keys.
125:     end if
126:     Predicate parameters processing.
127:     for each parameter do
128:         if parameter is variable then
129:             Check if parameter is new OR Check if parameter matches with previous pa-
parameter variables and match
130:         end if
131:         if parameter is given then
132:             Match given parameter accordingly with result dict.
133:         end if
134:         if parameter is not required then
135:             No processing required.
136:         end if
137:     end for
138:     Start UID2 processing.
139:     if UID2 is variable then
140:         Check if UID2 is new OR
141:         Check if UID2 matches with previous variables and match accordingly
142:     end if
143:     if UID2 is given then
144:         Match given UID2 with result dict
145:     end if
146: end for
147: end procedure

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