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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 .
Output: Result send back to Algorithm .

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1: procedure EXECUTE line containing user_query
2:   for each line do
3:     if sub is variable, obj is variable then.
4:       if subject variable is new then
5:         Append the contents of sub-dict of result-table with that of sub-dict of current-
        table. And Add variable to list in vars['sub']
6:       if sub is variable and is previously encountered then
7:         Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
8:       for each key in associated-dict do
9:         if key exists in current table's sub-dict then
10:          Make union of current-table's sub-dict[key] and result table's associated-
          dict[key].
11:          Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
12:          if key not found in sub-dict of current-table then
13:            Delete the key from associated-dict of result-table.
14:       if object variable is new then
15:         Append the contents of obj-dict of result-table with that of obj-dict of current-
        table.
16:         Add variable to list in vars['obj']
17:       if obj is variable and is previously encountered then
18:         Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
19:       for each key in associated-dict do
20:         if key exists in current table's obj-dict then
21:          Make union of current-table's obj-dict[key] and result table's associated-
          dict[key].
22:          Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
23:          if key not found in obj-dict of current-table then
24:            Delete the key from associated-dict of result-table.
25:       if sub is given, obj is variable then
26:         Keep the matching given sub in result-table's sub-dict.
27:         for each non-matching key in sub-dict do
28:           Remove subject from obj-dict of result-table.
29:           Remove object from uid-dict of result-table.
30:         Remove the non-matching keys.
31:         if object variable is new then
32:           Append the contents of obj-dict of result-table with that of obj-dict of current-
          table and add variable to list in vars['obj']
33:         if obj is variable and is previously encountered then
34:           Find the position of previous encounter and select the associated dictionary.
35:         for each key in associated-dict do
36:           if key exists in current table's obj-dict then
37:            Make union of current-table's obj-dict[key] and result table's associated-
            dict[key].
38:            Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
39:            if key not found in obj-dict of current-table then
40:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result-table.
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41:      if sub is variable, object is given then
42:          Keep the matching given obj in result-table's sub-dict.
43:      for each non-matching key in obj-dict do
44:          Remove subject from sub-dict of result-table.
45:          Remove object from uid-dict of result-table.
46:      Remove the non-matching obj keys.
47:      if subject variable is new then
48:          Append the contents of sub-dict of result-table with that of sub-dict of current-
table.
49:          Add variable to list in vars['sub']
50:      if sub is variable and is previously encountered then
51:          Find the position of previous encounter.
52:          Previously at sub, obj or uid position, select the associated dictionary.
53:      for each key in associated-dict do
54:          if key exists in current table's sub-dict then
55:              Make union of current-table's sub-dict[key] and result table's associated-
dict[key].
56:              Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
57:          if key not found in sub-dict of current-table then
58:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result-table.
59:      if sub is given, object is given then
60:          Keep the matching given obj in result-table's sub-dict.
61:      for each non-matching key in obj-dict do
62:          Remove subject from sub-dict of result-table.
63:          Remove object from uid-dict of result-table.
64:      Remove the non-matching keys.
65:      Keep the matching given sub in result-table's sub-dict.
66:      for each non-matching key in sub-dict do
67:          Remove subject from obj-dict of result-table.
68:          Remove object from uid-dict of result-table.
69:      Remove the non-matching keys.
70:      Start UID1 processing.
71:      if UID is variable in user query then check:
72:          if UID variable is new then
73:              Append the contents of uid-dict of result-table with that of uid-dict of current-
table.
74:              Add variable to list in vars['uid']
75:      if UID is variable and is previously encountered then
76:          Find the position of previous encounter.
77:          Previously at sub, obj or uid position, select the associated dictionary.
78:      for each key in associated-dict do
79:          if key exists in current table's uid-dict then
80:              Make union of current-table's uid-dict[key] and result table's associated-
dict[key].
81:              Store it as value of associated-dict[key].
82:          if key not found in uid-dict of current-table then
83:              Delete the key from associated-dict of result-table.
84:      if UID1 is given then
85:          Keep the matching given UID in result-table's uid-dict.
86:      for each non-matching key in uid-dict do
87:          Remove subject from sub-dict of result-table.
88:          Remove object from obj-dict of result-table.
89:      Remove the non-matching keys.
90:      Predicate parameters processing.
91:      for each parameter do
92:          if parameter is variable then
93:              Check if parameter is new OR Check if parameter matches with previous param-
eter variables and match
94:          if parameter is given then
95:              Match given parameter accordingly with result table.
96:          if parameter is not required then
97:              No processing required.
98:      Start UID2 processing.
99:      if UID2 is variable then
100:          Check if UID2 is new OR
101:          Check if UID2 matches with previous variables and match accordingly
102:      if UID2 is given then
103:          Match given UID2 with result table

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