

MediaEval 2015: Retrieving Diverse Social Images with Image Search for Result Diversification

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ABSTRACT

These working notes will describe the motivation, process, results and analysis of results that we have worked on as part of the MediaEval task of 'The 2015 Retrieving Diverse Social Images Task'. The concept of our approach was in implementing a technique [11] borrowed from documents retrieval field and applying it to the image domain with appropriate adjustments. The core idea here was that the decision making process, to produce the ranked image sequence, was done iteratively. Determining how different and relevant an image in the stack is relatively to the already chosen images.

Keywords

Information Retrieval, Image Retrieval, Diversity function, Relevance, Ranked list

1. INTRODUCTION

Imagine you are in Munich and it's just about time that everybody around you talks about going to Oktoberfest. Being unfamiliar with this festival you are about to search for it to understand better if you'd like this event and what to expect. The task of this year's MediaEval 2015 was to provide the most diverse and relevant images to describe a place or an event in a specific place given a query like Oktoberfest. The organizers provided us with a fully detailed task description along with data set for development and test found in [4].

2. RELATED WORK

The task of ordering images in a search engine given a query is still a developing field. The focus of this task is on retrieving diverse and relevant images from a given set of images. The motivation to our approach was based on a recent paper [11] that described an iterative scoring method for both relevance and diversity of a textual document. Every document was scored against the documents that were

already chosen. The scoring function is described in Eq. 1:

$$f_s(x_i, R_i) = w_r^T \mathbf{x}_i + w_d^T h_s(R_i), \forall x_i \in X \setminus S \quad (1)$$

The scoring function combines information on relevance and diversity given the candidate document x_i and its diversity matrix R_i . While the prediction part above scores and chooses images the training part's purpose is to produce the relevance and diversity weight vectors w_r , w_d that are used in Eq. 1.

3. THE METHOD

Our task's objective is to utilize the scoring concept for images while incorporating the necessary tools to determine an image scoring function. In our task the relevance feature vector \mathbf{x}_i was composed of Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA) [2] of 'tags' and 'description' textual fields, information on the user's credibility of 'visualScore', 1-'faceproportion', 'tagSpecificity', 'uniqueTags', 1-'locationSimilarity', and 1-'bulkProportion', and the normalized numerical data of image features. The diversity feature vector $h_s(R_i)$ was composed of the following features with their corresponding distance metrics: 'tags' and 'description' textual fields with cosinedisimilarity, this fields were used with Latent Dirichlet Allocation(LDA) [1] for topic diversity, 'csd' with l2 distance [8], 'hog' with Bat-acharia distance [9], 'cn' with euclidian distance [5], 'cm' with Canberra distance [3], 'lbp' with Chisquare distance [10], 'glr' with l1 distance [7], and 'cnn' with Mahalanobis distance [6]. A feature represent a more relevant or diverse as higher its value gets. The three algorithms described in [11] were reduced to two algorithms since queries were provided with ranked lists of relevance.

3.1 Settings

Settings that remained similar across experiments were: in relevance feature vector: user credibility information, lsa on 'tag' and 'description', and in diversity feature vector: lda on 'tag' and 'description', 'hog' and 'csd'. We implemented four different settings:

- 1) f1 - is using the global image features (without 'cnn')
- 2) f2 - is using the local image features (without 'cnn')
- 3) f1r f2d cnn - is using the global image features for relevance, local for diversity and global 'cnn'
- 4) f2 cnn2 - is using the local image features with local 'cnn'

4. RESULTS

Apart from reporting the official results we would first like to show the development set results of two experiments: f1

	F-score	RC	P
f1 Dev	0	0	0
f2 Dev	0.43	0.31	0.75

Table 1: Development set results.

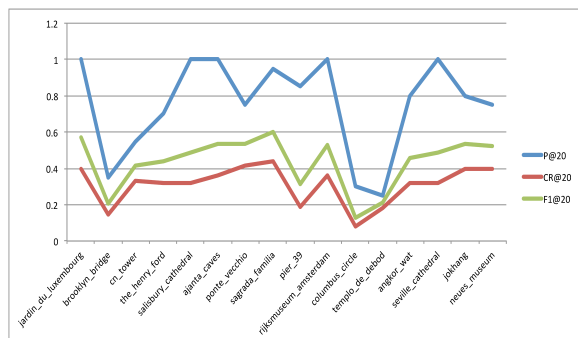


Figure 1: F-score, precision and coverage rates of f2 development.

and f2. These were computed seperately to the official results. We divided devset to 10-1 train test ratio and trained. Both f1 and f2 were trained and tested on same sets which were exclusive. Table 1 has the results of both experiments:

- 2) train, prediction, exp
graphs of the small set

5. CONCLUSIONS

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