

# Performance Metrics

# Accuracy

- Measures the percentage of correct results that a classifier has achieved.
- True and False Positives and Negatives
  - True positives are relevant items that we correctly identified as relevant
  - True Negative are irrelevant items that we correctly identified as irrelevant
  - False Positive are irrelevant items that we incorrectly identified as relevant
  - False Negative are relevant items that we incorrectly identified as irrelevant

Given these four numbers, we can define the following metrics:

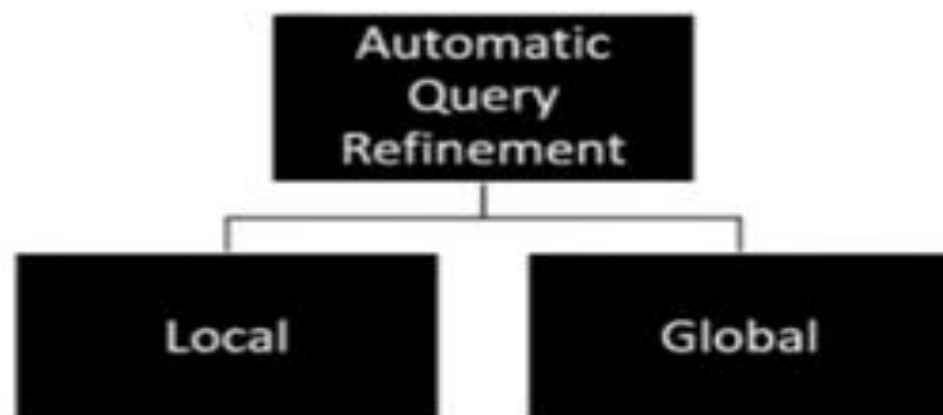
- **Precision**, which indicates how many of the items that we identified were relevant, is  $TP/(TP+FP)$ .
- **Recall**, which indicates how many of the relevant items that we identified, is  $TP/(TP+FN)$ .
- The **F-Measure** (or **F-Score**), which combines the precision and recall to give a single score, is defined to be the harmonic mean of the precision and recall:  $(2 \times Precision \times Recall) / (Precision + Recall)$ .

- Accuracy =  $(TP + TN) / (TP + TN + FP + FN)$
- Precision =  $TP / TP + FP$
- Recall =  $TP / TP + FN$
- F-measure =  $2 * ((precision * recall) / (precision + recall))$

# The Problem of Synonymy

- What result do you expect for a query, “plane”?
- What if plane appears in this query, “plane from Delhi to Goa”?
- So many synonyms which will work for web search...
  - Flight
  - Aircraft
  - Airplane
  - Aeroplane
  - By Air
  - Fly
  - Flgt

# How to ensure good results?



Use the **query** or the **results** for reformulating the query

We will study:

*Relevance Feedback*

*Pseudorelevance*

*Indirect Relevance Feedback*

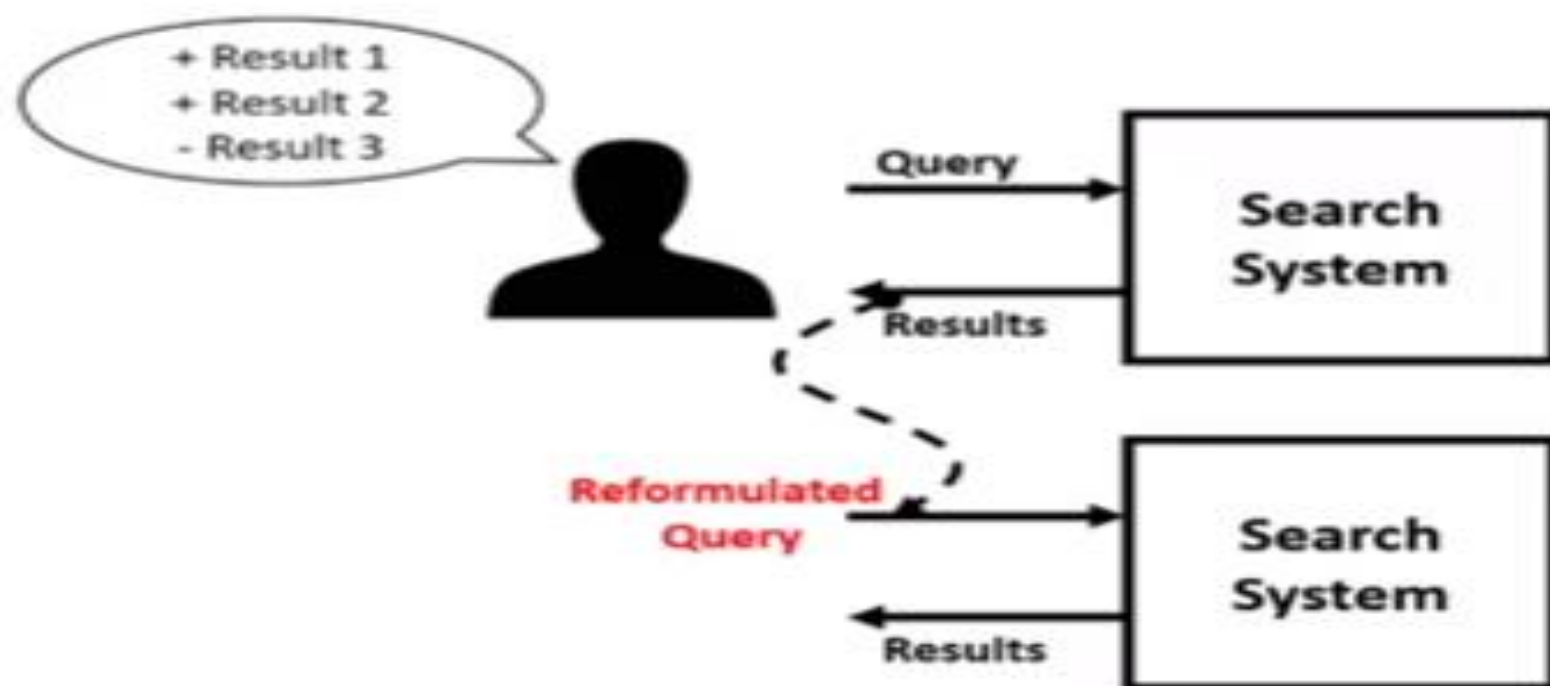
Do not use the **query** or the **results** for reformulating the query.

Eg:

*Use Thesaurus.*

*Do Spelling Correction.*

# Relevance Feedback

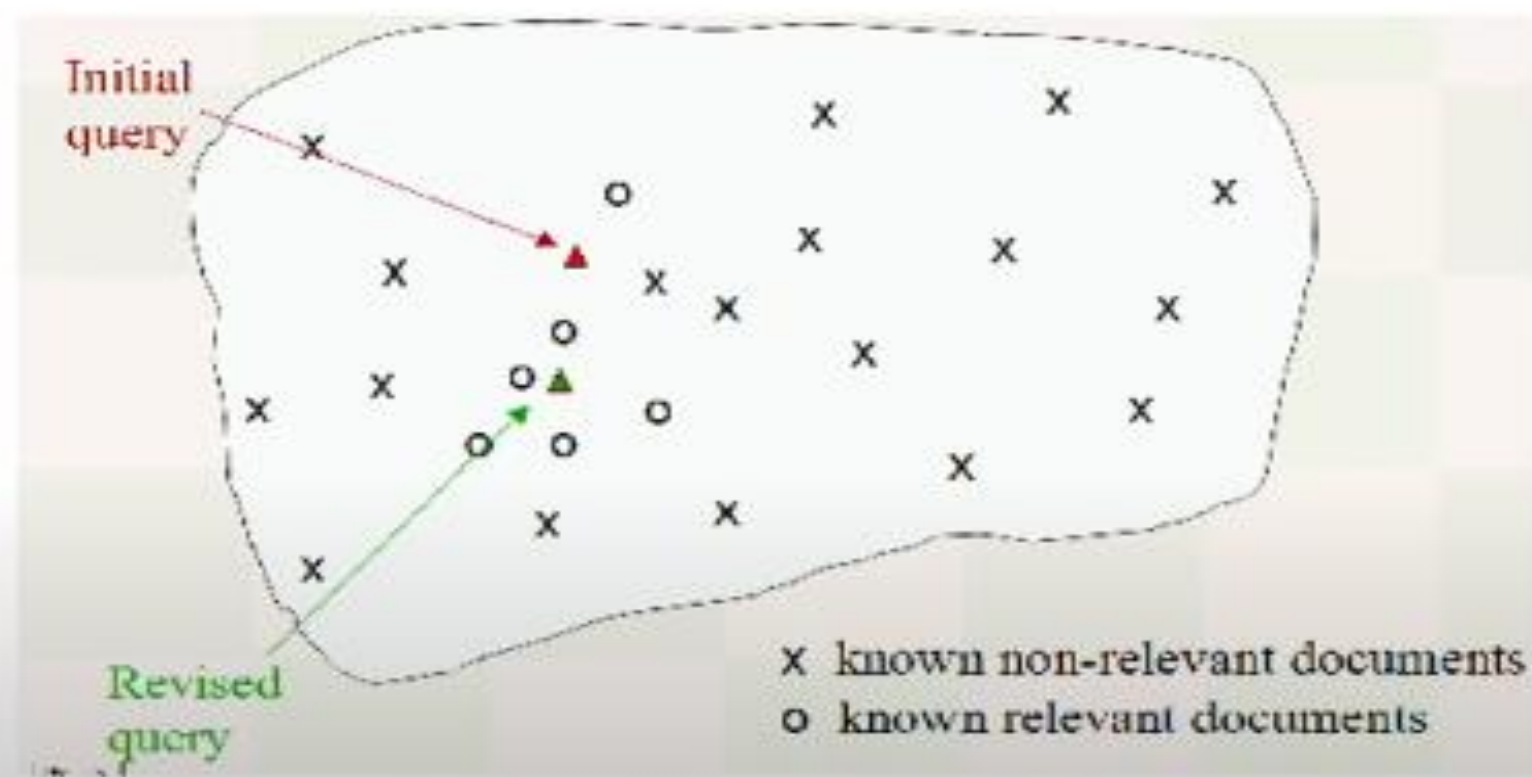


# Interesting Characteristics

- Indexed content is unknown to the user.
- “Information Need” changes after looking at the results.
  - User visits youtube to listen to a specific set of songs.
  - After the first song, he changes his mind and listens to something else!



# Rocchio Algorithm for Relevance Feedback



# Moving the Centroid!

Modify the query (and therefore, the query vector from  $q_0$  to  $q_m$ ):

$$\vec{q}_m = \alpha \vec{q}_0 + \beta \frac{1}{|D_r|} \sum_{\vec{d}_j \in D_r} \vec{d}_j - \gamma \frac{1}{|D_{nr}|} \sum_{\vec{d}_j \in D_{nr}} \vec{d}_j$$

$D_r$  = Set of known relevant documents

$D_{nr}$  = Set of known nonrelevant documents

$q_0$  = Initial query vector

$q_m$  = Modified query vector

# Rocchio relevance feedback - Example

- Given:
  - Initial query = “cheap CDs cheap DVDs extremely cheap CDs”.
  - $d_1$  = “CDs cheap software cheap CDs” is judged as relevant.
  - $d_2$  = “cheap thrills DVDs” is judged as nonrelevant
- What would the revised query vector be after relevance feedback?

# Representing Initial Query in Vector Space

Initial query = “cheap CDs cheap DVDs extremely cheap CDs”.

	cheap	CDs	DVDs	extremely	software	thrills
$q_0$	3	2	1	1	0	0

# Rocchio relevance feedback - Example

**Quiz: Can you complete the following table?**

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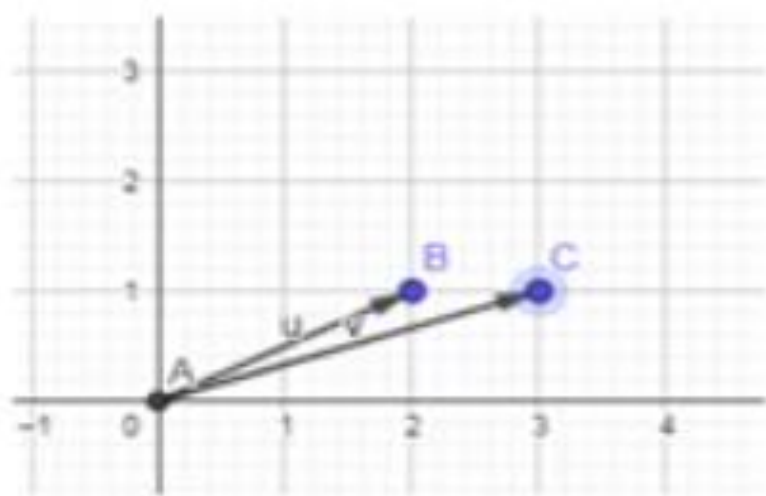
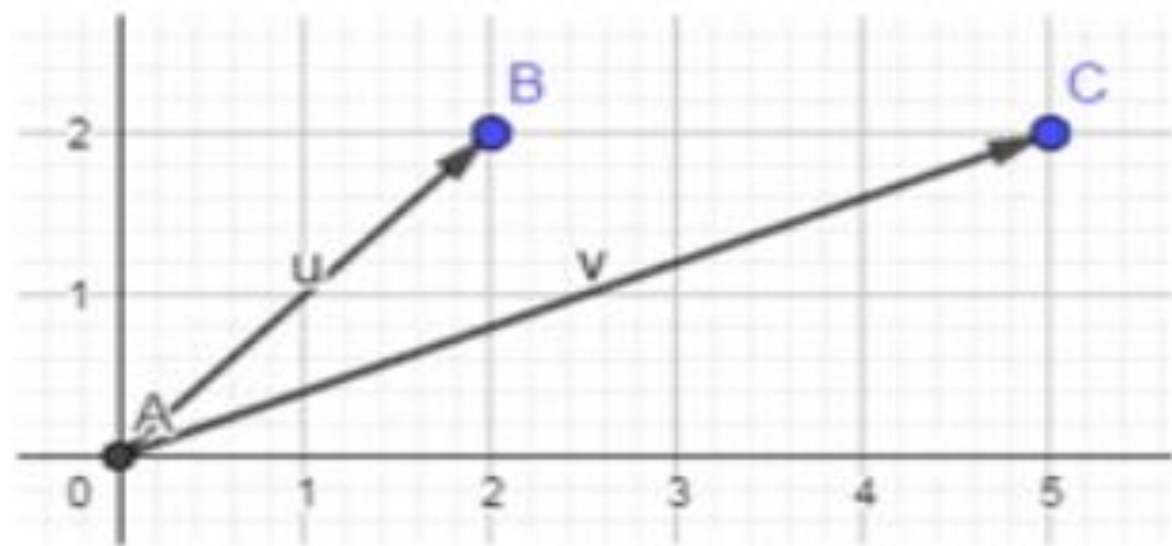
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$d_2$	1	0	1	0	0	1

# Moving Vectors

- Move  $(2,2)$  to  $(5,2)$  by adding 3 to  $x$ .



# Rocchio relevance feedback - Example

**Quiz: How to calculate the modified query vector,  $q_m$ ?**

$d_1$  is judged as **relevant**.  $d_2$  is judged as **non-relevant**.

Assume  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\beta = 0.75$ ,  $\gamma = 0.25$ .

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$q_m$						

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$$q_m = q_0 + 0.75 * d_1 - 0.25 * d_2$$

$q_m$	4.25	3.5	0.75	1	0.75	0
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Negative weight does not make sense. So, leave them as zero.

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# Pseudo (Blind) Relevance Feedback

- No User Judgment.
- Assume that the top-k ranked documents are relevant.

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What would the revised query vector be **after pseudo relevance feedback if top-1 document is considered as relevant?**

*Assume that we are using direct term frequency (with no scaling and no document frequency). There is no need to length-normalize vectors. Assume  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\beta = 0.75$ ,  $\gamma = 0.25$ .*

- May lead to query drift.

# Indirect (Implicit) Relevance Feedback

- No asking for judgments from users.
- No automatic feedback such as assuming top-k documents as relevant.

**Clickstream Mining**

# Global methods for query reformulation

## ➤ Vocabulary tools for query reformulation

- Helps user to see how their searches are or are not working
- This includes information about words that were omitted from query because they were on stop list, words were stemmed to....
- The IR system might also suggest search terms by means of a thesaurus or a controlled vocabulary.

# Global methods for query reformulation

## ➤ Query Expansion

- In IR users give additional input on query words or phrases.
- Some search engines suggest related queries in response to a query
- The most common form of query expansion is global analysis, using some form of thesaurus.
- For each term  $t$  in a query, the query can be automatically expanded with synonyms and related words of  $t$  from thesaurus.

# Methods for building a thesaurus for query expansion

- **Use of controlled vocabulary** that is maintained by human editors
- Example: Unified Medical Language System used with Medline for querying the biomedical research literature
- A manual thesaurus: Manual editors built up sets of synonymous names for concepts
- An automatically derived thesaurus: here word cooccurrence statistics over a collection of documents in domain are used to automatically induce a thesaurus
- Query reformulation based on query log mining: we exploit the manual query formulations of other users to make suggestions to a new user. This requires a huge query volume.

- Automatic thesaurus generation:
- There are two approaches:
- One is to exploit word cooccurrence
- Other approach is to use a shallow grammatical analysis of the text and to exploit grammatical relations or grammatical dependencies.
- shallow grammatical analysis :**analysis of a sentence** which first identifies constituent parts of sentences (nouns, verbs, adjectives, etc.) and then links them to higher order units that have discrete grammatical meanings (noun groups or phrases, verb groups, etc.).

Query Languages from yates

