

**CSCI 6370 IR and Web Search
ASSIGNMENT 2**

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Questions and Answers:

Problem 1. This assignment is designed for you to get familiar with various evaluation mechanisms in IR. Given the set of data in the table,

1. Compute the recall/precision rate at each relevant document point.
2. Compute F-Measure at each relevant document point.
3. Compute the corresponding E-measure with $\beta = 0.8$ at each relevant document point.
4. Compute the R-Precision.
5. Compute the average precision, which is the average of the precision values at the points at which each relevant document is retrieved.

The total relevant documents in a document set is 5. The top 10 retrieved documents are listed with the ones that are relevant marked.

Order	Doc #	Relevant
1	586	X
2	357	
3	358	X
4	108	X
5	345	
6	114	
7	555	X
8	888	
9	860	
10	167	X

Answer 1.

1. The answer is provided in the tables.
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4. $R\text{-Precision} = P(5) = 0.6$.
5. $MAP = 0.816706349206349$

Order	Doc #	Relevant	Number of found documents	Recall	Precision
1	586	X	1	0.2	1
2	357		1		
3	358	X	2	0.4	0.6666666666666667
4	108	X	3	0.6	0.75
5	345		3		
6	114		3		
7	555	X	4	0.8	0.571428571428571
8	888		4		
9	860		4		
10	167	X	5	1	0.5

Order	Doc #	Relevant	Number of found documents	F-Measure	E-measure (b=0.8)
1	586	X	1	0.3333333333333333	0.609523809523809
2	357		1		
3	358	X	2	0.5	0.470967741935484
4	108	X	3	0.6666666666666667	0.3166666666666667
5	345		3		
6	114		3		
7	555	X	4	0.6666666666666667	0.356862745098039
8	888		4		
9	860		4		
10	167	X	5	0.6666666666666667	0.378787878787879

Problem 2. Suppose we use the following the method to reformulate the query vector in response to relevance feedback:

$$q_m = q_0 + \sum_{d \text{ is relevant}} d - \sum_{d' \text{ is irrelevant}} d'$$

Consider the initial query vector is $q_0 = \{1, 2, 0, 4, 0, 1\}$. The relevant feedback gives two relevant vectors d_1 and d_2 and one irrelevant vector d_3 as follows:

$$d_1 = \{0, 1, 1, 2, 0, 2\} \quad d_2 = \{5, 0, 2, 0, 2, 0\} \quad d_3 = \{4, 2, 1, 2, 1, 3\}$$

Calculate the reformulated query vector q_1

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Answer 2.

$$q_m = \{1 + (0 + 5) - 4; 2 + (1 + 0) - 2; 0 + (1 + 2) - 1, 4 + (2 + 0) - 2, 0 + (0 + 2) - 1, 1 + (2 + 0) - 3\}$$

$$q_m = \{2; 1; 2; 4; 1; 0\}$$

Problem 3. Phrasal query is to retrieve documents with a specific phrase (ordered list of contiguous words). For example, phrasal query for Q=“computer learning theory” needs to retrieve all documents containing the phrase “computer learning theory”. We usually ignore cases of the letters in the query. We may also allow intervening stop words and/or stemming. Describe an algorithm to do phrasal query with help of an inverted index.

Answer 3.

Find set of documents D in which all keywords $(k_1 \dots k_m)$ in phrase occur (using AND query processing).

Initialize empty set, R , of retrieved documents.

For each document, d , in D :

 Get array, P_i , of positions of occurrences for each k_i in d

 Find shortest array P_s of the P_i 's

 For each position p of keyword k_s in P_s

 For each keyword k_i except k_s

 Use binary search to find a position $(p - s + i)$ in the array P_i

 If correct position for every keyword found, add d to R

Return R