

Third Semester M.Tech. Degree Examination, Dec. 2013 / Jan 2014.

Information Retrieval

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions.

1.
 - a. Define Information Retrieval. (02 Marks)
 - b. Explain with a neat diagram, the process of retrieving the information. (08 Marks)
 - c. Explain how retrieval of relevant information is directly affected both by the user and the logical view of the documents. (10 Marks)
2.
 - a. Describe the extended Boolean model and fuzzy set model in detail. (12 Marks)
 - b. Discuss the main features of structured text retrieval model. (08 Marks)
3.
 - a. Discuss any 5 measures used for performance evaluation of information retrieval. (10 Marks)
 - b. Explain the evaluation measures at the TREC reference collection. (04 Marks)
 - c. Consider a set $R_q = \{d_3, d_5, d_9, d_{25}, d_{39}, d_{44}, d_{56}, d_{71}, d_{89}, d_{123}\}$ containing the relevant documents. The ranking of the documents in the answer set is given by

1. d_{123}^*	5. d_8	9. d_{187}	13. d_{250}
2. d_{84}	6. d_9^*	10. d_{25}^*	14. d_{113}
3. d_{56}^*	7. d_{511}	11. d_{38}	15. d_3^*
4. d_6	8. d_{129}	12. d_{48}	

- i) Find the precision and recall.
 - ii) Draw precision versus recall graph considering precision at 11 standard recall levels.
 - iii) Find average precision at seen relevant documents. (06 Marks)
4.
 - a. Explain the query expansion through local clustering. (08 Marks)
 - b. Explain the different query protocols. (05 Marks)
 - c. What is relevance feedback? Explain the query expansion and Term Reweighting for the vector model. (07 Marks)
5.
 - a. Explain how document preprocessing is divided into text operations. (05 Marks)
 - b. Mention the 2 general approaches to text compression and explain the statistical approach in detail. (10 Marks)
 - c. Discuss the inverted file compression. (05 Marks)
6.
 - a. Explain suffix trees and suffix arrays index, with examples. (12 Marks)
 - b. Describe KMP algorithm and Aho – Corasick algorithm used in matching a set of patterns. (08 Marks)
7.
 - a. Discuss the MIMD architecture in detail. (10 Marks)
 - b. List the steps required for query processing in a distributed information retrieval system. (02 Marks)
 - c. Explain the Information Action process, with neat diagram. (08 Marks)
8. Write short notes on :
 - a. SGML.
 - b. Signature files.
 - c. Hypertext model.
 - d. Ad – hoc and filtering retrieval. (20 Marks)