

Search for Complex Objects based on Combination of Attributes and their Affinity

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Background

Increase of task search

20% queries are related to task search [Rosie+ 08]



Task search targeted at **complex object**



Tourist route in Kyoto



Menu



3 books to read on holiday

Target search intent

Search based on the **set size**.



I wanna decide four recipes for dinner.



Search **additional** objects.



I wanna need two more books to read on holiday.



Search **deducted** objects.

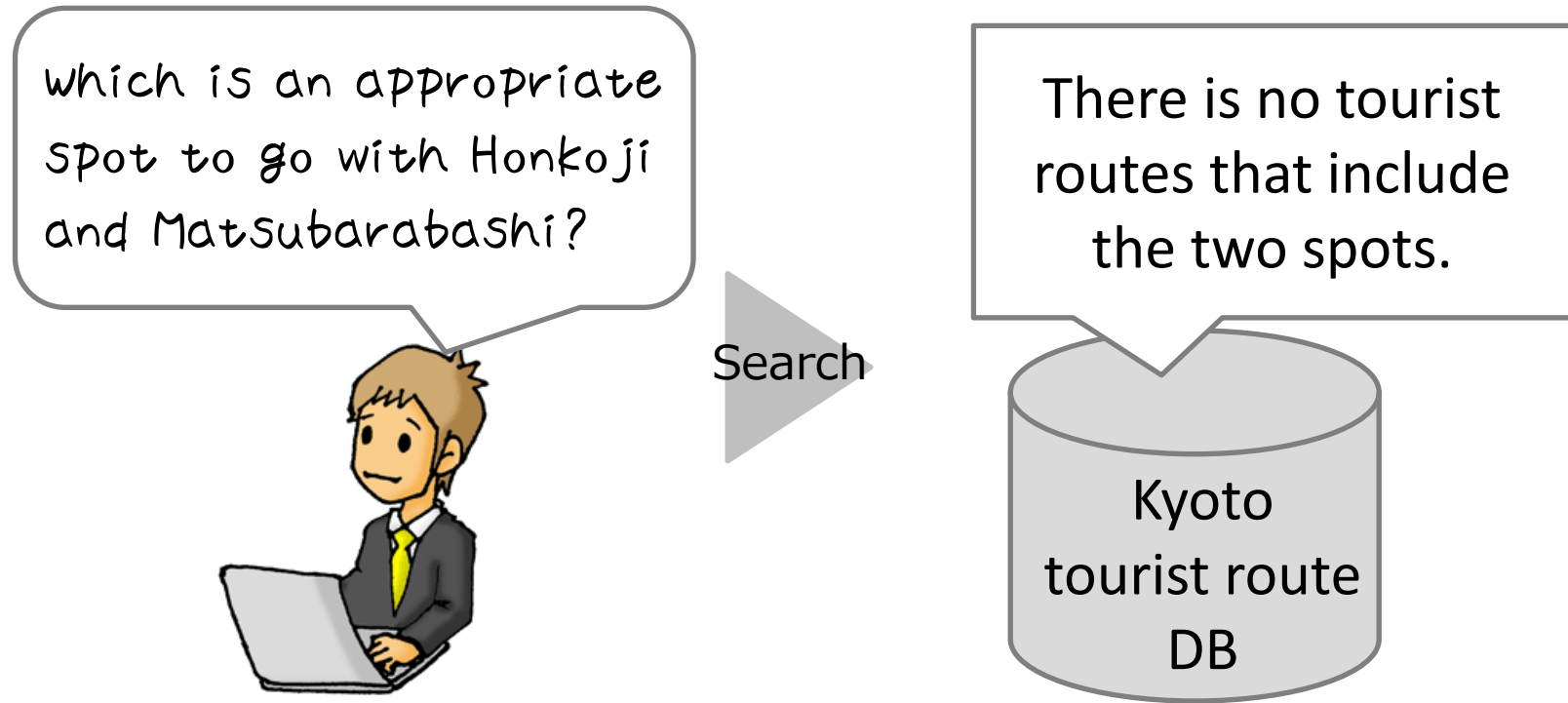


I wanna delete one spot.



Problem of complex object search (1/2)

It's not always true that there is an answer in existing complex objects.



There is no existing combination of objects
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There is no appropriate combination of objects

Problem of complex object search (1/2)

If we target **every possible combination** of objects, the number is **enormous**.

What is tourist route in Kyoto that consists of three spots?



Possible combination



1000000 Hit!



- Need to consider the “**appropriateness**” of each complex object.
- Include only appropriate complex objects in a **search result**.

Approach

Focus on two viewpoints that define affinity in the field of psychology.[Winch 58, Byrne 71]



Results-oriented



Results-oriented



Shy



Outgoing

Uniformity
(of values)

Complementarity
(of personality)

Calculate the affinity b/w objects from the viewpoints of **uniformity** and **complementarity**.

Objective

Complex object search based on the affinity of attributes.

Tourist route including three spots in Kyoto



Unified in the
viewpoint of **warlord**

Sanzenin



Kodaiji



Chisekiin



Hideyoshi
Toyotomi

Hideyoshi
Toyotomi

Hideyoshi
Toyotomi

Complementary in the
viewpoint of **Buddhism**

Tenryuji



Toji



Komyoji



Rinzai
sect

Shingon
sect

Jodo
sect

Definition of symbol

Definition

1. D : Domain
2. O_D : Complex object
3. A_{o_i} : Attribute set of $o_i \in O_D$
4. V_D : Viewpoint set
5. A_{v_i} : Attribute set of $v_i \in V_D$

Example

1. D = Tourist spot in Kyoto
2. O_D = {Kinkakuji, Toji, ..., Kyoto Tower}
3. $A_{\text{Kinkakuji}}$ = {Muromachi era, Rinzai sect, ..., garden}
4. V_D = {era, warlord,..., artist}
5. A_{era} = {Heian era, Muromachi era,...,Showa ear}

Definition of uniformity

$S \subseteq O_D$ meets the uniformity in a viewpoint $v_i \in V_D$.
 $\quad \quad \quad := v_i$ meets the following two conditions.

1. All objects in S has **one attribute of viewpoint v_i**

$$\forall o_k \in S, |A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = 1$$

2. The attributes are **same** in all objects.

$$|\cup_{o_k \in S} A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = 1$$

Example

$$S = \{\text{Kinkakuji, Ryoanji, Ginkakuji}\}$$

1. All spots have an attribute in a viewpoint “era.”
2. The attribute is “Muromachi” and common.

Definition of complementarity

$S \subseteq O_D$ meets complementarity in a viewpoint $v_i \in V_D$.
 $\quad := v_i$ meets the following two conditions.

1. All objects in S has **one attribute of viewpoint v_i**

$$\forall o_k \in S, |A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = 1$$

2. The attributes are **different** in all objects.

$$|\cup_{o_k \in S} A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = |S|$$

Example

$$S = \{\text{Kinkakuji, Sanzenin, Nanzenji}\}$$

1. All spots have an attribute in a viewpoint "religion."
2. The attributes are different between them like "Rinzai sect," "Tendai sect," "Jodo sect."

Problem definition (search based on the set size)

Input: size k of a complex object

Search based on uniformity

Find S with $v_i \in V_D$ that meets the following conditions.

1. $\forall o_k \in S, |A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = 1$
2. $|\bigcup_{o_k \in S} A_{v_i} \cap A_{o_k}| = 1$
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Collect attribute etc.

- Information assumed to be already known for problem definition:
 1. D : Domain
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- If these pieces of information are identified, the answer sets for each problem are also identified.

Domain name, objects, attributes

Domain name, object


Hypernym	Hyponym
Spot in Kyoto	Kinkakuji
Temple	Kinkakuji
National univ.	Kyoto univ.
⋮	⋮

Use **open source database**¹

- Domain name
 - hypernym
- Object
 - All hyponyms of the domain

¹<http://nlpwww.nict.go.jp/corpus/>

Attributes of an object

Kinkakuji	

— Ukyoku —	

— Muromachi —	
— Ashikaga —	

Extract **linked terms** in a Wikipedia article

- Few noise terms
- Able to use the open source database for each attribute

Collect viewpoints

**All attributes of
all objects**



**Clustering of
attributes**



Label cluster name
Label = viewpoint

Collect viewpoints

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Label cluster name
Label = viewpoint

D = Tourist spot in Kyoto

$O_D = \{\text{Kinkakuji, Kiyomizudera, Kyoto Tower, ... , Sanzenin}\}$

$A_{\text{Kinkakuji}} = \{\text{Ukyo - ku, Muromachi era, ... , Rinzai sect}\}$

$A_{\text{Kiyomizudera}} = \{\text{Higashiyama - ku, autumn, ... , the Pillow Book}\}$

\vdots

$A_{\text{Sanzenin}} = \{\text{Saityo, prince Moriyoshi, ... , Sakyo - ku}\}$

Collect viewpoints

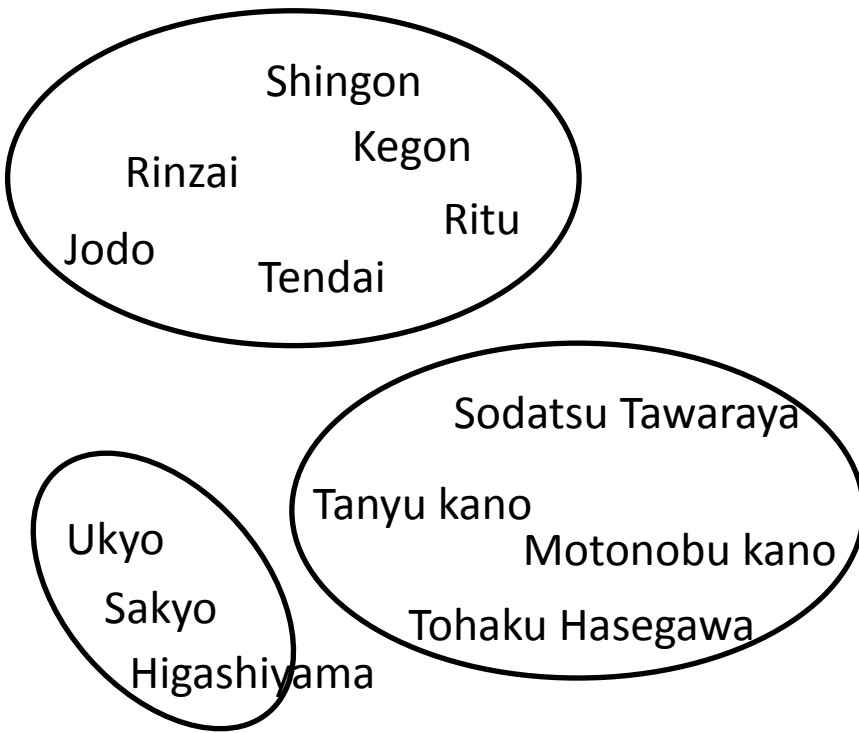
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Cluster by **furthest neighbor method**

- Distance b/w attribute t_i and t_j

$$d(t_i, t_j) = \frac{1}{\text{\#of common hyperny b/w } t_i \text{ and } t_j}$$

- Stopping condition

$$\min_{C_i, C_j} D(C_i, C_j) > \theta$$

Collect viewpoints

All attributes of
all objects

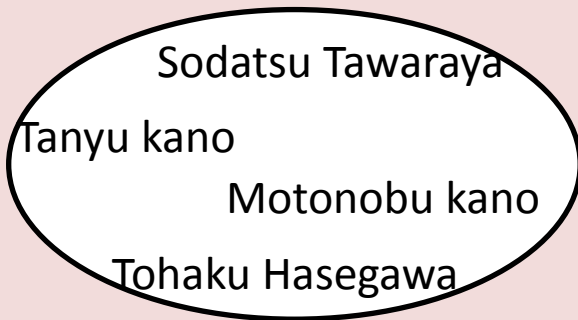


Clustering of
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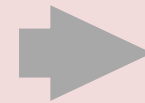


Label cluster name
Label = viewpoint

Select the **most informative hypernym** as the label.



Common hypernyms of all
Attributes In the left cluster.



- Male
- Eastern artist

of attribute
whose hypernym is “Eastern artist”

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of attribute
whose hypernym is “Male”

∴ “Eastern artist” is more informative

Experiment

Domain	Tourist spot in Kyoto city
# of objects	168
Average # of attributes	73
# of clusters (viewpoints)	436
Average cluster size	4.1

Result (search based on set size)

Unified search result (set size: 3)

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
Style of main shrine	Sanjusangendo (hipped roof), Daikakuji (hipped roof), Daitokuji (hipped roof)
Buddhism	Higashihonganji (Jodo sect), Chionin (Jodo sect), Nishihonganji (Jodo sect)
City	Myoshinji (Kyoto city), Syokokuji (Kyoto city), Chionin (Kyoto city)

Complementary search result (set size: 3)

Future task

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
Eastern artist	Mibudera (Tohaku hasegawa), Nanzenji (Tanyu Kano), Daisenin (Motonobu kano)
Warlord	Kiyomizudera (Hideyoshi Toyotomi), Tojiin (Masanori Fukushima), Jojakkoji (hideaki Kobayakawa)

Future Task

An attribute that is common in many objects also appears.

Result (search for additional objects)

Unified search result

- Original complex object: {Tenryuji, Toji, Shogoin}
- Additional quantity: 2

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
People in Muromachi era	Tenryuji (Emperor Go-Daigo), Toji (Emperor Go-Daigo), Syogoin (Emperor Go-Daigo), Bukkoji (Emperor Go-Daigo), Myokenji (Emperor Go-Daigo)

Complementary search result

- Original complex object: {Kinkakuji, Ninnaji}
- Additional quantity: 1

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
Japan movie	Kinkakuji (Goban-cho Yugiri-ro), Ninnaji (I Give My First Love to You), Fushimi Inari Taisha (Owl's castle)

Diversity of viewpoints reduced as the set size becomes bigger.

Result (search for deducted objects)

Unified search result

- Original complex object: {Ninnaji, Tofukuji, Ginkakuji}
- Deducted quantity: 1

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
Anime	Ninnaji (Detective Conan: Crossroad in the Ancient Capital), Tofukuji (Detective Conan: Crossroad in the Ancient Capital)

Complementary search result

- Original complex object: {Sanzenin, Fushimi Inari Taisha,
Nanzenji, Daigoji, Rokuonji}
- Deducted quantity: 1

Viewpoint	Object (attribute)
Buddhist sect	Sanzenin (Tendai sect), Fushimi Inari Taisha (Shingon sect), Nanzenji (Jodo sect), Rokuonji (Rinzai sect)

Future work

- There are **too many combinations** to show all of them.
 - E.g. combination of three tourist spots:
 - Total complex objects: 776,216 combinations.
 - Unified complex objects: 197,649 combinations.
 - Complementary complex objects: 24,608 combinations.
- Need to **rank** complex objects.
 - Place a complex object whose viewpoint is highly relevant to the domain in high ranking.
 - E.g. “Eastern artist” is more relevant to “tourist route in Kyoto” than “anime.”

Conclusion

Objective

Complex object search based on the affinity of attributes.



Focus on **uniformity** and **complementarity** b/w objects.

Future work

- Use other resources for extracting attributes.
- Apply other domains such as novel.
- Evaluation.