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A Review - Web Scrapper Tool for Data Extraction

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ABSTRACT

Web databases contain a huge amount of structured data which are easily obtained via their query interfaces only. The query results are presented in dynamically generated web pages, usually in the form of data records, for human use. The automatic web data extraction is critical in web integration. A number of approaches have been proposed. The early work is most based on the source code or the tag tree of the page. Recent approaches use the visual feature to extract data information, which are better than the previous work. However, these approaches still have inherent limitation. In this, we propose a novel approach that makes use of visual features to extract data information from web page, including the data records and the data items. The results of this experiment tests on a large set of query result pages in different domain show that the proposed approach is highly effective.

Keywords: Web Data Extraction, Multiple Tree Merging, Schema, Vision-based Page Segmentation, Web page, Wrapper generation, Web Mining.

I. INTRODUCTION

The size of web is tremendously large how to extract some typical data from multiple web pages Thousands of web pages contains relevant information. E.g. Google search engine shows result in lacks or corers of pages for sample query. Manually impossible to visit those many number of pages and collect data Most businesses rely on the web to gather data that is crucial to their decision making processes. Web scraping is the process of automatically collecting data or required information from World Wide Web. Web scraping is also called as web harvesting or web data extraction. Software that simulates human Web surfing to collect specified bits of information from different websites.

Backgrounds

Web databases generate query result pages based on a user's query. Automatically extracting the data from these query result pages is very important for many applications, such as data integration, which need to cooperate with multiple web databases. We present a novel data extraction and alignment method called CTVS that combines both tag and value similarity. CTVS automatically extracts data from query result pages by first identifying and segmenting the query result records (QRRs) in the query result pages and then aligning the segmented QRRs into a table, in which the data values from the same attribute are put into the same column. Specially, we propose new techniques to handle the case when the QRRs are not contiguous, which may be due to the presence of auxiliary information, such as a comment, recommendation or advertisement, and for handling any nested structure that may exist in the QRRs. We also design a new record alignment algorithm that aligns the attributes in a record, first pair wise and then holistically, by combining the tag and data value similarity information. Experimental results show that CTVS achieves high precision and outperforms existing state-of-the-art data extraction methods.

II. METHODS AND MATERIAL

To be Employed

1. To improve the efficiency of the Search Engine.
2. To break up various tags in the web page and understand the contents of the web page.
3. To retrieve and extract the hyperlink from the web page.
4. To retrieve and extract the data from the web pages.

5. To retrieve the keywords from the given web pages.

Literature Survey

Zhai, Y. and Liu, B. Web Data Extraction Based on Partial Tree Alignment. Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on World Wide Web (WWW), Japan, pp. 76-85, 2005. This paper studies the problem of extracting data from a Web page that contains several structured data records. The objective is to segment these data records, extract data items/fields from them and put the data in a database table. This problem has been studied by several researchers. However, existing methods still have some serious limitations. The first class of methods is based on machine learning, which requires human labeling of many examples from each Web site that one is interested in extracting data from.

Weifeng Su, Jiying Wang, Frederick H. Lochovsky ,Combining Tag and Value Similarity for Data Extractionand Alignment, IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, Vol. 24, No.7,pp. 1186- 1200, July 2012. Web databases generate query result pages based on a user's query. Automatically extracting the datafrom these query result pages is very important for many applications, such as data integration, which need to cooperate with multiple web databases. We present a novel data extraction and alignmentmethod called CTVS that combines both tag and value similarity.

Manuel Alvarez, Alberto Pan," Finding and Extracting Data Records from Web Pages". Journal of Signal Processing Systems, Volume 59 Issue 1, April 2010 .pp.123-137 This paper studies the problem of structured data extraction from arbitrary Web pages. The objective of the proposed research is to automatically segment data records in a page, extract data items/fields from these records, and store the extracted data in a database. Existing methods addressing the problem can be classified into three categories.

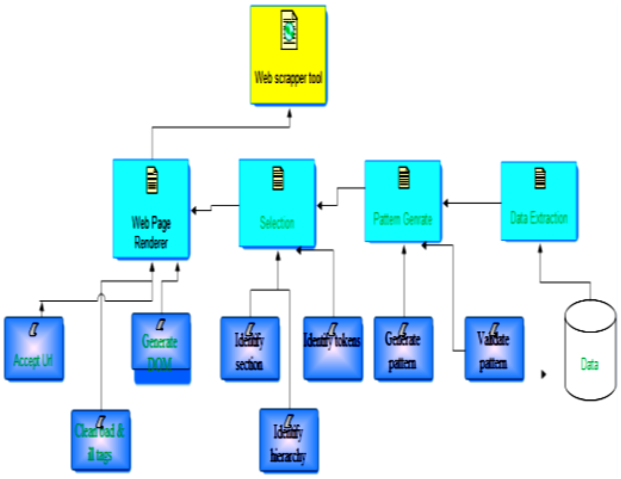
Problem Statement

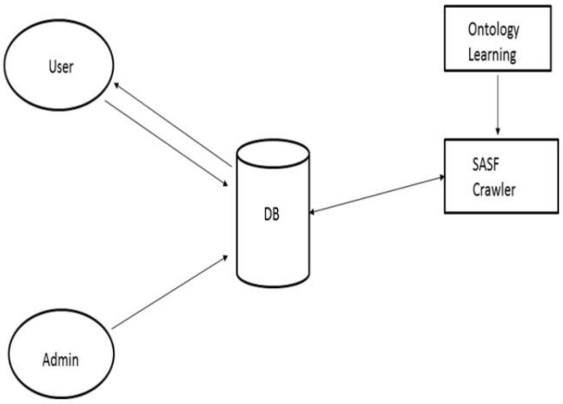
In our System, a new Web data extraction approach is used for solving theproblem of page-level data extraction. This approach uses visual information and DOM tree to extract a template automatically from web pages. We use VIPS algorithm that is used to determine fixed/variant template pages.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A. Architecture

Web databases contain a huge amount of structured data which are easily obtained via their query interfaces only. The query results are presented in dynamically generated web pages, usually in the form of data records, for human use. The automatical web data extraction is critical in web integration. A number of approaches have been proposed. The early work is most based on the source code or the tag tree of the page. Recent approaches use the visual feature to extract data information, which are better than the previous work. However, these approaches still have inherent limitation. In this, we propose a novel approach that makes use of visual features to extract data information from web page, including the data records and the data items. The results of this experiment tests on a large set of query result pages in different domain show that the proposed approach is highly effective.





B. Advantage

1. After every iteration any faulty piece software can be identified easily as very few changes are done after every iteration. It is easier to test and debug as testing and debugging can be performed after each iteration.
2. This model does not affect anyone's business values because they provide core of the software which customer needs, which will indeed help that person to keep run his business.
3. After establishing an overall architecture, system is developed and delivered in increments.

IV. CONCLUSION

Reliable, highly automated, powerful web scraping software, Web Scraper is certainly a tool we need if our business is somehow related to web data extraction. This tool will save large human effort, as whole process of finding data is fully automated. If the structure of web site changes you dont need to change scraper, scraper is able to adapt these changes quickly. In future we are planning to fully automate the grammar generation process, by recording the process to generate grammar for Sample file.

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