Data Warehouses and Web Data Integration

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Two worlds: Data warehouse & web data

Data warehouse

- integrated, centralized data
- closed world (company-internal information)
- high data quality
- stable
- Web data
 - non integrated
 - open world ("data about everything")
 - diverse data quality
 - volatile
- Web data can enhance DWH data
 - additional dimensions for fact table(s)
 - additional characteristics for existent dimension(s)
- \rightarrow Increase coverage by preserving high data quality

Example scenarios

- E-Commerce: product sales
 - DWH: products (article information, supplier, purchases, ...)
 - Web: reviews, competitor's prices, ...
- E-Commerce: customer relationship management
 - DWH: customers (address, channels, ...)
 - Web: socio-economic data, territory risk analysis, ...
- Bibliographic domain
 - DWH: bibliographic information (title, venue, authors, ...)
 - Web: citation counts, institutions, keywords, ...
- Geographic domain
 - DWH: geographic places (name, inhabitants, region, ...)
 - Web: hotel ratings, point of interest, ...
- Bioinformatics: GeWare (?)



Agenda

Motivation

- Web entity search architecture
- OCS 2.0: Lessons learned
- Search strategy generation
 - by query relaxation
 - by page analysis
- Conclusion

Finding web entities

- Problem: Find all relevant (web) entities for a given subset of the data warehouse
- Google approach"
 - crawl the WWW, extract entities, import into warehouse
 - too expensive, even for focused crawling
- Search-based approach ("Use Google approach")
 - use existing (and powerful) search engine technology
 - efficient access to millions of web sources

Architecture / workflow

- Find all relevant (web) entities for a given DWH subset
 - set of fact table instances + associated dimensions
 - set of dimension instances



Entity search

Entity search engines: Google Scholar, Google Base, ...



- General search engines: Google, Yahoo, ...
 - document extractor is site-specific (e.g., created with Dapper)

Entities

- restrict search to website, e.g., "<query> site:portal.acm.org" searches for <query> within ACM portal
- "interesting" web sites, e.g., ACM portal, Wikipedia, ...



Search strategies

- Input: n input entities
- Output: m queries (for a given search engine)
- Intention: query execution yields corresponding web entities
- Effectiveness
 - find all relevant entities (recall = 100%)
 - find only relevant entities (precision = 100%) \rightarrow object matching
- Efficiency
 - minimize the user-/administrator effort for query generation
 - minimize the number of queries (run-time, accessibility, ...)
- Problem: Automatic or manual strategy definition / query generation?

Search strategies: Lessons learned

- Prototype: Online Citation Service (OCS) 2.0
 - user selects set of DBLP publications
 - OCS searches for corresponding publications in other sources (and summarizes the citation counts per source)
- Sources
 - Google Scholar, MS Libra \rightarrow entity search engine
 - ACM, Citeseer \rightarrow general search engine
- Application of multiple search strategies
 - OCS allows a flexible integration of new strategies

Online Citation Service 2.0

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Entity search engine: Example (2)

 Publication: Erhard Rahm, Philip A. Bernstein: A survey of approaches to automatic schema matching. The VLDB Journal 10(4): 334-350 (2001)

Search strategy	Query	#Results
title (simple)	a survey of approaches to automatic schema matching	18.2000
title (simple phrase)	"a survey of approaches to automatic schema matching"	1.040
title	intitle:a survey of approaches to automatic schema matching	3.530
title (phrase)	intitle:"a survey of approaches to automatic schema matching"	7
title pattern	intitle:"survey * approaches * * schema"	13
author (1)	author:rahm	2.230
author (2)	author:bernstein author:rahm	44
author (1) + title pattern	author:rahm intitle:"survey * approaches * * schema"	9
author (1) + keyword	author:rahm intitle:survey intitle:schema	9

Lessons learned: Entity search engine

- Search strategies can be generated by answering ...
 - What attributes should be queried for?
 - What attribute value transformation should be applied?
- Domain 1: Computer science
 - small number of authors
 - title contains common words + acronyms
 - heterogeneous venue names
 - \rightarrow good strategies: "author + keyword", "title pattern"
- Domain 2: Chemistry
 - high number of authors
 - title contains string representations of chemical formulas
 - homogenous venue names
 - \rightarrow good strategies: "venue (+year)", "title keywords", "author group"

Entity search: Model

- Query = $p_1(v_1) \land p_2(v_2) \land \ldots \land p_n(v_n)$
- p_i = predicates
 - realized as search form fields and/or "[predicate name]:"
 - p₀ = free text
- v_i = search values for predicates
 - derived from attribute values
 - may be transformed (keyword selection, pattern, reduction, ...)

Query containment

- A ⊆ B: all resulting entities of query A appear in B's search result
- Containment based on
 - predicates
 - attribute values



Search strategy generation by query relaxation

- Example-based query learning
 - input: n DWH entities + m corresponding web entities
 - output: algorithm for query generation
 - intention: algorithm also works for other DWH entities
- Start with fully specified query, e.g., all predicates with exact attribute value
- Relax query by
 - eliminating predicates
 - generalizing / transforming attribute values
- Determine precision and recall
 - for example pages (training data)
 - for test data
- Find optimum (w.r.t. to minimal number of query size)
 - overfitting

General search engine: Example

URL: http://portal.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=767149.767154 Title: A survey of approaches to automatic schema matching

A survey of approaches to automatic schema matching

Full text	Pdf (196 KB)
Source	The VLDB Journal — The International Journal on Very Large Data Bases <u>archive</u> Volume 10, Issue 4 (December 2001) <u>table of contents</u> Pages: 334 - 350 Year of Publication: 2001 ISSN:1066-8888
Authors	Erhard Rahm Universität Leipzig, Institut für Informatik, 04109 Leipzig, Germany; (e-mail: rahm@informatik.uni-leipzig.de) Philip A. Bernstein Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA 98052-6399, USA; (e-mail: philbe@microsoft.com)
Publisher	Springer-Verlag New York, Inc. Secaucus, NJ, USA
Bibliometrics	Downloads (6 Weeks): 14, Downloads (12 Months): 181, Citation Count: 172

Query	#Results
"a survey of approaches to automatic schema matching"	13.200
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"Erhard Rahm" inurl:citation.cfm site:portal.acm.org	2.530
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Lessons learned: General search engine

- Search strategies can be generated by (manually) analyzing web pages
- Website: ACM Digital Library
 - publication title ≈ page title (in some cases: substring)
 - author names with hyperlinks (\rightarrow inanchor:)
 - publication Id (URL parameter) contains venue Id (\rightarrow inurl:)
- Website: Citeseer
 - publication title = page title
 - author names are concatenated (\rightarrow pattern), no hyperlinks
 - publication Id "useless"

Search strategy generation by page analysis

- Example-based query learning
 - input: n DWH entities + m corresponding web pages (entities)
 - output: algorithm for query generation
 - intention: algorithm also works for other DWH entities
- Analyze example pages regarding "searchable" elements
 - content: keywords, phrases (""), pattern ("a * b")
 - structure: URL (site:), linked pages (link:)
 - content + structure: page title (intitle:), anchor text (inanchor:)
- Determine precision and recall
 - for example pages (training data)
 - for test data
- Find optimum (w.r.t. to minimal number of query size)
 - overfitting

Conclusion and future work

- Web data integration can be crucial for data warehouses
- Automatic and efficient querying for web entities
- Two approaches
 - entity search engine \rightarrow query relaxation
 - general search engine \rightarrow page analysis
- Algorithms
 - elaboration (bulk search)
 - implementation
- Evaluation for different scenarios