

ICTCAS's ICTGrasper at TAC 2008: Summarizing Dynamic Information with Signature Terms Based Content Filtering

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# **TAC Update Task Results**

#### • Automatic Evaluation (71 peers)

Criterion	Rank	Score
BE	1*	0.06480
ROUGE-2	3	0.09776
ROUGE-SU4	5	0.13295

#### Manual Evaluation (64 peers)

Criterion	Rank
Pyramid	2*

ICTGrasper obtained top 2 ranks on BE, and placed the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> on Pyramid

• Did pretty well on both measures



## **Update Summary Introduction**

- Temporal content can be divided into subcollections corresponding to time intervals
- Update summary focuses on the dynamic information between current interval and its previous ones



<sup>(</sup>b) n sub-collections of D corresponding to the time intervals

Figure 2: Formalization of Dynamic Summarization

Divide temporal content into current information I<sub>c</sub> and history information I<sub>h</sub>

For TAC 2008, document set A can be denoted as  $I_h$ , B can be denoted as  $I_c$ .

## **Problem Formalization**

# • Update Summary of TAC 2008

- Divide temporal content into current information  $I_c$  and history information  $I_h$ 
  - document set A: I<sub>h</sub>
  - $\bullet$  document set :  $I_c$
- Task of Update Summary
  - Identify dynamic information
    - $\bullet$  Based on the relationship between  $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{c}}$  and  $\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{h}}$
  - Evaluate importance of dynamic information
    - Sentence ranking criterion
  - Select important dynamic information



# **Overview of ICTGrasper**

# • Content Filtering Model

## Rerank sentences based on signature terms



Figure 1: The framework of ICTGrasper system for dynamic summarization



# **Content Filtering Model**

# • Content filtering model

- Dynamic information identification at sentence level
  - Document Filtering Model
  - Summary Filtering Model
  - Union Filtering Model

Employ content filtering model for dynamic information identification at sentence level



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## Solution method

# Static summarization algorithm GSPS

 $f(t+1) = \lambda r + (1-\lambda)\hat{P}f(t)$ 

#### – DFM

 $f(I_c - I_h) = GSPS(I_c - I_h) = GSPS(\{s | s \in I_c, \{s\} \not\subseteq I_c \cap I_h\})$ 

- S f is a summarization function, and the minus symbol "-" denotes the filtering operation.

– UFM

$$f(I_c + I_h) - I_h = GSPS(I_c + I_h) - I_h$$



# **Topic Signature Reranking**

## • Topic Signatures

#### signature terms are those terms which occur significantly more than expected "at large"

Topic signatures for two intervals							
Temporal Topic Signature	AV	Tf	Temporal Topic Signature	AV	Tf		
european central bank	5	6	single currency	8	11		
single currency	4	11	central bank	6	7		
currency euro	4	6	national currency	4	5		
new single currency	4	4	exchange rate	4	4		
central bank	3	8	foreign currency	4	4		
european single currency	3	4	adopt euro	3	4		
european union	3	4	currency euro	3	4		
member state	3	3	san marino	3	4		

**Terms importance varies with time intervals** 



# **Topic Signature Reranking**

 Adapt a linear to optimize importance measure of a sentence

 $Rank(s) = \alpha * cen(s) + \beta * sim(s,T) + \gamma * score(s|t)$ 

- cen(s) is centrality of sentence, s, with LexRank
- sim(s, T) is the similarity between s and topic
- score(s|t) is the score decided by topic signatures in a specified time interval



• Conduct experiments on DUC 2007 Dataset

- Set up two experiments
  - The effectiveness of content filtering model
  - The improvement of signature terms
- Evaluate with ROUGE Metric
  - ROUGE-2
  - ROUGE-SU4



## • Performance of Content Filtering Models

Table 1: The results of three models for dynamic summarization, where the degree denotes the degree of membership in set, R-2 and R-SU4 are the scores of ROUGE-2 and ROUGE-SU4 on dataset of DUC 2007 update task.

	DFM1	DFM2	SFM1	SFM2	UFM1	UFM2
Degree	R-2 R-SU4					
1.0	0.1114 0.1450	0.1142 0.1482	0.1142 0.1482	0.1142 0.1482	0.1163 0.1492	0.10268 0.13847
0.4	0.1126 0.1467	0.1146 0.1478	0.1165 0.1495	0.1142 0.1482	0.1180 0.1506	0.1050 0.1398

Union content filtering model can be chosen as the optimal model for dynamic information identification



## • Performance of Content Filtering Models

Table 2: Performance comparison with state-of-the-art systems of DUC 2007 update task, where UFM1 represents the performance of our proposed union filtering model, LCC, IIIT, and NUS are the top performing systems.

System	ROUGE-2	ROUGE-SU4
UFM1(Degree=0.4)	0.1180	0.1506
LCC (Rank 1)	0.1119	0.1431
IIIT (Rank 2)	0.0985	0.1352
NUS (Rank 3)	0.0962	0.1325
Generic Baseline	0.0850	0.1225

Performance of UFM1 outperforms DUC 2007 top systems



### • Performance of Signature Terms

Table 3: The performances of signature terms, where UFM1-N is the system with UFM1 but without consideration signature terms, and UFM1-S is the system with signature term based UFM1.

System	ROUGE-2	ROUGE-SU4
UFM1-S	0.1219	0.1581
UFM1-N	0.1180	0.1506
LCC	0.1119	0.1431

Performance improvement for both ROUGE-2 and ROUGE-SU4 is very obvious



## **TAC 2008 Evaluation Results**

#### Automatic Evaluation

Table 4: The evaluation results of TAC 2008 top performing systems, where R - 2 and R - SU4 stand for the ROUGE-2 and ROUGE-SU4 scores in ROUGE evaluation. For convenience, only four runs with stable performance are illustrated in this table, and Run 14 and Run 65 are two runs of ICTGrasper.

		ROU	JGE	BE	l		
Run	R2	Rank	R-SU4	Rank	BE	Rank	
14	0.09776	3	0.13295	5	0.06480	1	
65	0.09559	5	0.13151	9	0.06293	2	
43	0.10395	1	0.13646	1	0.06267	3	
60	0.09449	6	0.13583	3	0.06203	4	LIA 任完吗

## **TAC 2008 Evaluation Results**

- Manual Evaluation
  - ICTGrasper placed 2nd and 3rd in the average modified (pyramid) score over 64 peers



# **TAC 2008 Evaluation Results**

#### • Evaluation Results on Document Set B

Table 5: The performances of Grasper's best run (Run 14) on the Document Set B.

Metric	Score	Rank
mod Pyramid score - B	0.344	1
numScus - B	4.063	2
ROUGE-2 Recall - B	0.101	1
ROUGE-SU4 Recall - B	0.137	1
BE Recall - B	0.076	1



# Conclusion

- Introduced a signature terms based content filtering approach for update summarization
  - Identify dynamic information at sentence level with content filtering models
- Proposed to rerank the importance of filtered content based on topic signatures
- The results show that our proposed approach works very well in update task





# Thanks!