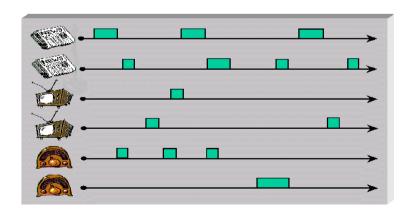
# Information Retrieval and Extraction

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#### **Textbook and References**

#### Textbook

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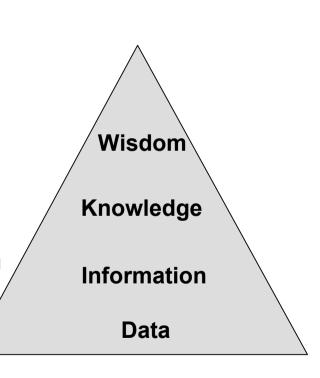
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#### **Motivation**

## Information Hierarchy

- Data
  - The raw material of information
- Information
  - Data organized and presented by someone
- Knowledge
  - Information read, heard or seen and understood
- Wisdom
  - Distilled and integrated knowledge and understanding



#### **Motivation**

#### User information need

- Find all docs containing information on college tennis teams which:
  - (1) are maintained by a USA university and
  - (2)participate in the NCAA tournament

Emphasis is on the retrieval of information (not data)

#### Information Retrieval

- Deal with the representation, storage, organization of, and access to information items
- Focus is on the user information need
  - Information about a subject or topic
  - Semantics is frequently loose
  - Small errors are tolerated
- Handle natural language text which is not always well structured and could be semantically ambiguous

#### Data Retrieval

- Determine which document of a collection contain the keywords in the use query
- Retrieve all objects (attributes) which satisfy clearly defined conditions in a regular expression or a relational algebra expression
  - Which documents contain a set of keywords?
  - Well defined semantics
  - A single erroneous object implies failure!

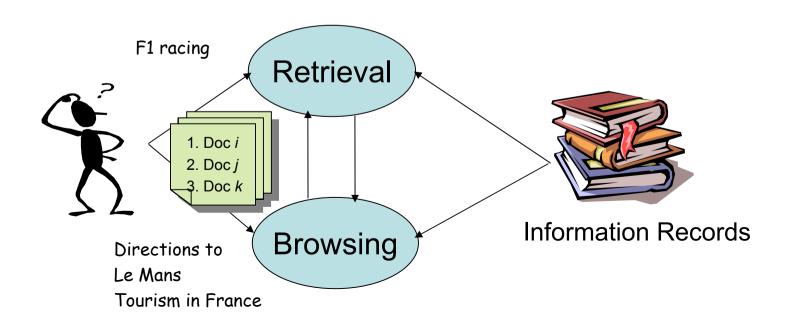
#### **Motivation**

## IR system

- Interpret contents of information items
- Generate a ranking which reflects relevance
- Notion of relevance is most important

#### The User Task

- Translate the information need into a query in the language provided by the system
  - A set of words conveying the semantics of the information need
- Browse the retrieved documents



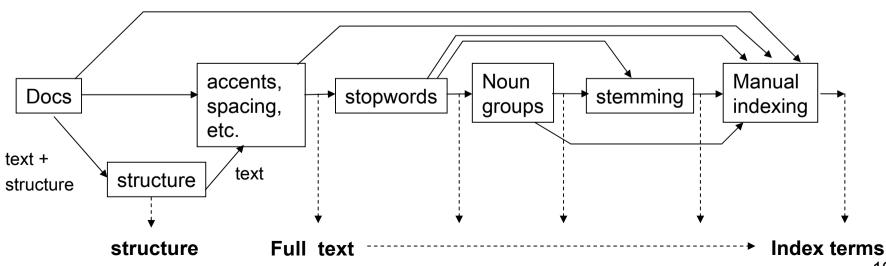
## Logical view of the documents

- A full text view (representation)
  - Represent document by its whole set of words

- A set of index terms by a human subject
  - Derived automatically or generated by a specialist
    - Concise but may poor
- An intermediate representation with feasible text operations

## Logical view of the documents

- Text operations
  - Elimination of stop-words (e.g. articles, connectives, ...)
  - The use of stemming (e.g. tense, ...)
  - The identification of noun groups
  - Compression ....
- Text structure (chapters, sections, ...)



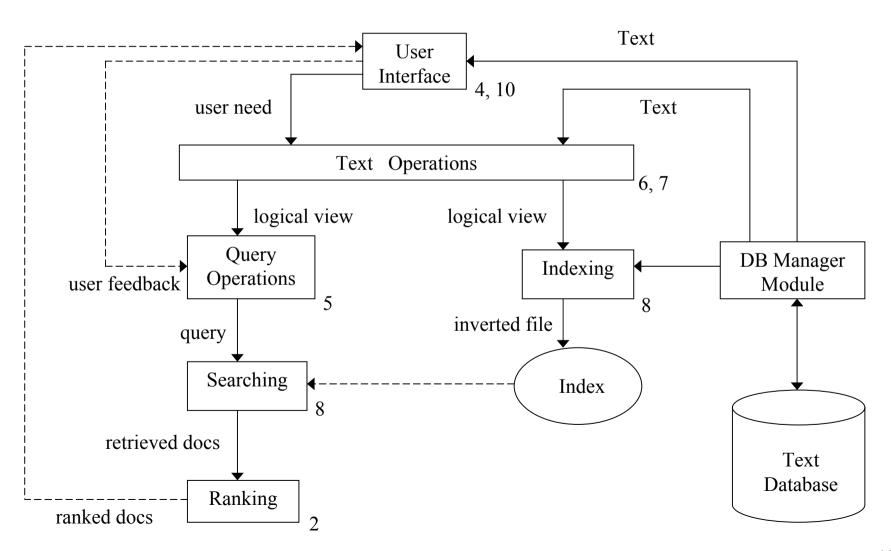
#### Different Views of the IR Problem

- Computer-centered (commercial perspective)
- Efficient indexing approaches
  - High performance matching ranking algorithms
- Human-centered (academic perceptive)
  - Studies of user behaviors
  - Understanding of user needs

# IR for Web and Digital Libraries

- Questions should be addressed
  - Still difficult to retrieve information relevant to user needs
  - Quick response is becoming more and more a pressing factor
  - The user interaction with the system (HCI, Human Computer Interaction)
- Other concerns
  - Security and privacy
  - Copyright and patent

### The Retrieval Process



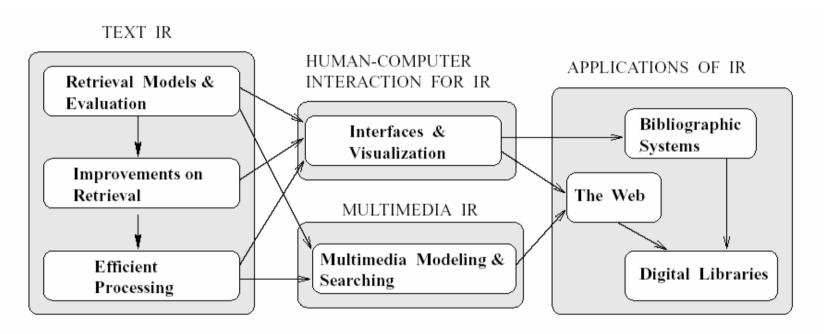
#### The Retrieval Process

- In current retrieval systems
  - Users almost never declare his information need
    - Only a short queries composed few words (typically fewer than 4 words)
  - Users have no knowledge of the text or query operations

Poor formulated queries lead to poor retrieval!

## **Major Topics**

## Four Main Topics

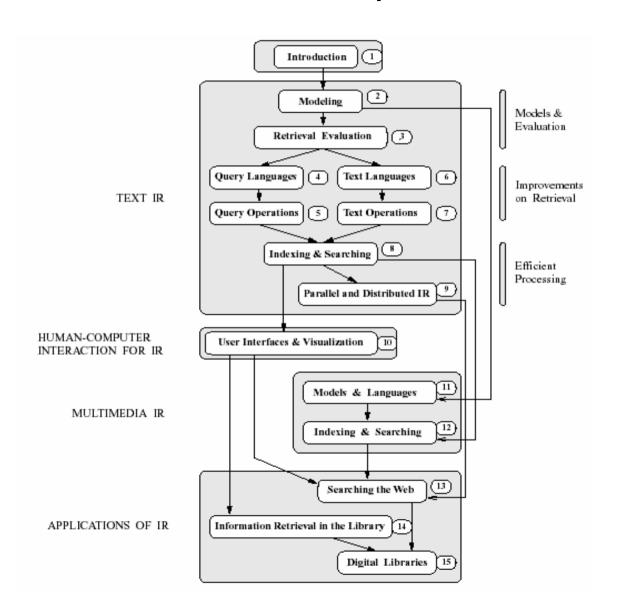


**Figure 1.4** Topics which compose the book and their relationships.

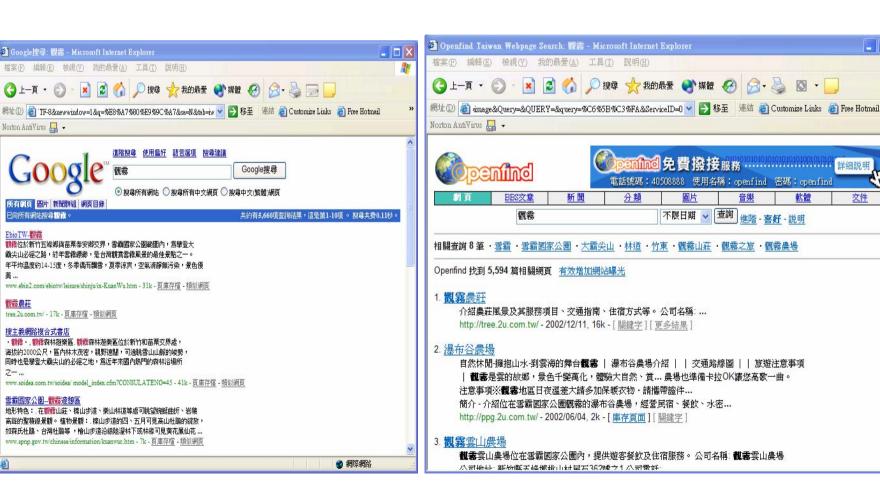
# **Major Topics**

- Text IR
  - Retrieval models, evaluation methods, indexing
- Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)
  - Improved user interfaces and better data visualization tools
- Multimedia IR
  - Text, speech, audio and video contents
  - Multidisciplinary approaches
- Applications
  - Web, bibliographic systems, digital libraries

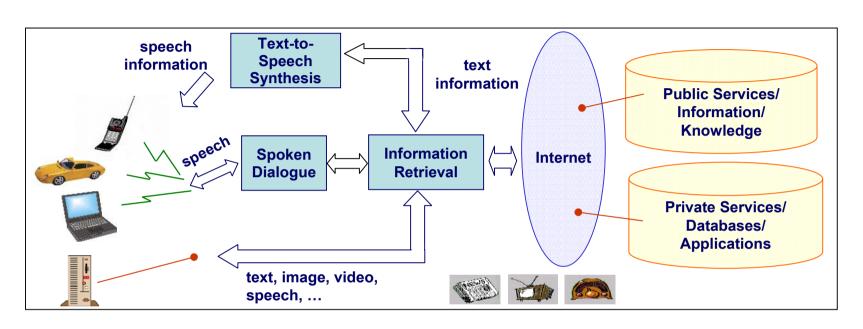
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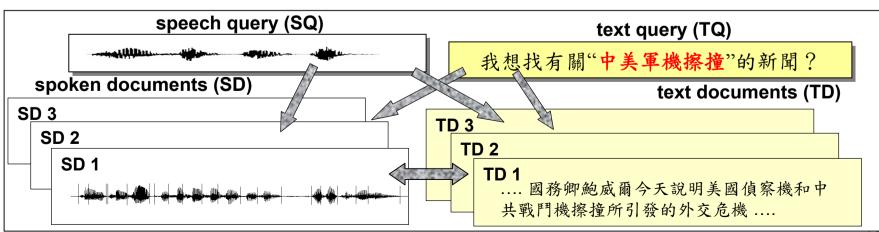


#### **Text Information Retrieval**



# Speech Information Retrieval





# Speech Information Retrieval

- Compaq Research Group Speechbot System
  - Broadcast news speech recognition, Information retrieval, and topic segmentation (SIGIR2001)
  - Currently indexes 15,588 hours of content (2003/02/21, http://speechbot.research.compaq.com/)



# **Speech Information Retrieval**

•輸入聲音問句:"請幫我查總統府升旗典禮"



#### Visual Information Retrieval

## Content-based approach

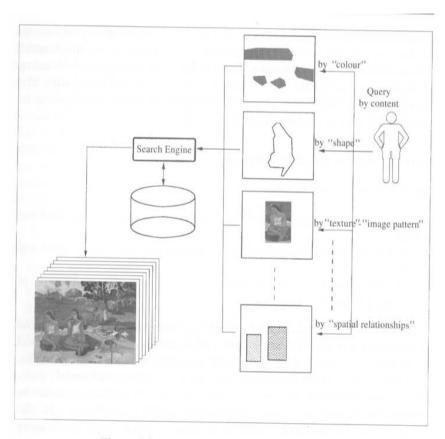
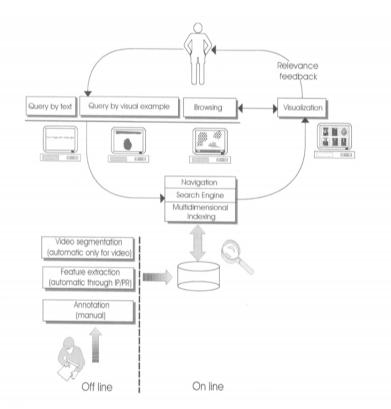


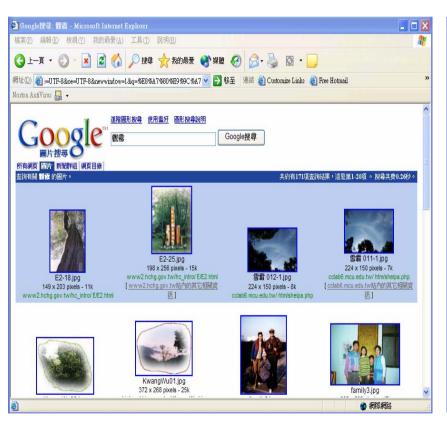
Figure 1.2 Different types of query by example.



**Figure 1.5** Sketch of a new-generation visual information retrieval system for video.

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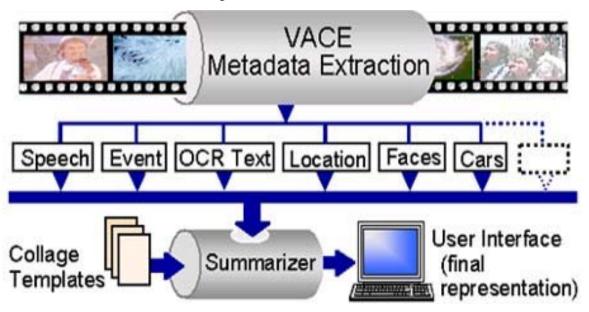
Images with Texts





#### Visual Information Retrieval

#### **Video Analysis and Content Extraction**



#### Resources

- Corpora (Speech/Language resources)
  - Refer speech waveforms, machine-readable text, dictionaries, thesauri as well as tools for processing them
    - LDC Linguistic Data Consortium



#### Institutes/Researchers

#### Taiwan

- 中研院:簡立峰(Text)、王新民(Speech)
- 台大:陳信希(Text)、陳光華(Text);李琳山(Speech)
- 成大:簡仁宗(Speech)
- 清大:張智星(Audio)
- 中央:楊接期(Text) ;張嘉惠(Text)
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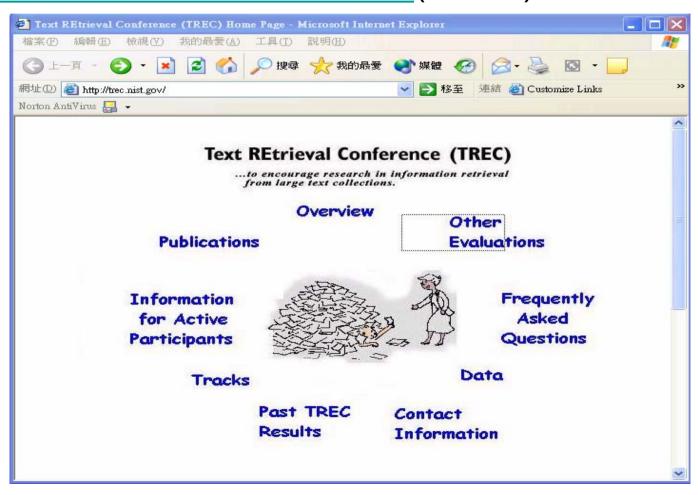
#### Institutes/Researchers

# Foreign

- MIT (Speech)
- CMU (Video/Speech)
- UMass (Text/Speech)
- Cambridge (Text/Speech)
- Microsoft (Text/Speech)
- IBM (Text/Speech)
- MITRE (Text/Speech)
- BBN (Speech)
- HP (Speech/Text)
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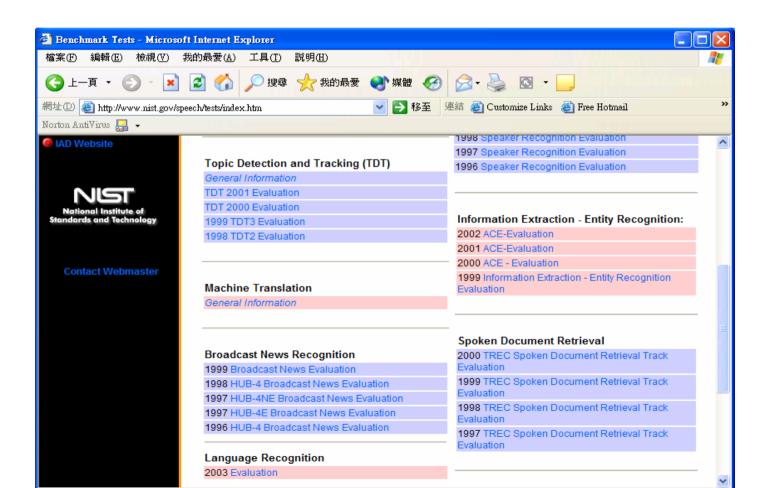
#### Contests

Text REtrieval Conference (TREC)



#### Contests

US National Institute of Standards and Technology



#### Conferences/Journals

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- ACM Annual International Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval (SIGIR)
- ACM Conference on Information Knowledge Management (CIKM)

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#### Journals

- Information Processing and Management
- Journal of the American Society for Information Science
- ACM Transactions on Asian Language Information Processing

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