

Customize Image Search with RMTF on Photo Sharing Websites

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Summary

Today's web generates enormous data. Keyword based search is most popular medium to search content among web users. Metadata generated by web can be utilized to improve the search experience among the searchers. Social sharing websites like Flickr and Youtube allow users to create, share, tag, annotate, and comment Medias. The large amount of user-generated metadata can be effectively utilized for media retrieval and management. With Personalize search web search experience is improved by generating the results by considering user preferences and returned list accordingly. In this paper, we propose a model which simultaneously considers the user and query relevance to learn to personalized image search. In this essential work is to insert the user preference and query-related search intent into user-specific topic spaces. The given model is tested for double word query and showing satisfactory results.

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1. Introduction

Over the past few years, current Web search engines have become the principal tool for accessing information available online. Yet, even today's most successful search engines struggle to provide high-quality search results: Approximately 50 percent of Web search sessions fail to find any relevant results for the searcher. This happens due to reasons that queries are generally short and nonspecific. For example "IR" could stand for Infrared or Information retrieval. Secondly User may have different purpose for same word. For example query "reva" could be name of some person or it could be First electric car of India.

One of the Solutions to address this problem is Personalize search. In personalize search information related with the user is considered in order to predict exact intention of the user and then rank the result accordingly.

In non personalized search the results are given directly without focusing on user intentions. But in Personalized search rank of document in results is decided by considering user query as well as preference of the given user.

The implemented model contains two components:

1) A ranking-based multicorrelation tensor factorization model is proposed to perform annotation prediction. This is considered as users' potential annotations for the images;

2) We introduce user-specific topic modelling. This scheme is used to map the query relevance and user preference into the same user-specific topic space. For better evaluating performance, two resources involved with users' social activities are employed.

Also the given module is expanded to find out double word query results by combining distance vector algorithm used by Google with Ranking tensor factorization model.

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2. Literature Review

In this section, we first survey some existing work on Personalize Search. Next we examine and discuss the limitations of these works in terms of the user profiling and user interest that is relevance measurement and improving results.

2.1 Personalized Image search

Personalize image search is challenging problem as images contain very less text that can be used to explain them. Consider, for example, a user searching for photos of "jaguars." Should the system return images of luxury cars or wild animal picture? In such cases, personalization can help disambiguate query keywords used in image search or to weed out irrelevant images from search results. Hence, if a given user is interested in nature, the system will show her images of the predatory cat of South America and not of an automobile [13].

Through query expansion and user generated metadata personalization system help to weed out irrelevant result.

Traditionally, personalization techniques fall in one of two categories: collaborative-filtering or profile based. The first, collaborative filtering [11], aggregates opinions of many users to recommend new items to users of similar class. Since users are asked to rate items on a universal scale, designing such rating system is itself challenging task and how to bring out high quality ratings from users are equally important. In spite of this there is no assurance that users getting higher returns for making suggestions is less and, therefore, will be hesitant to make the extra effort [12].

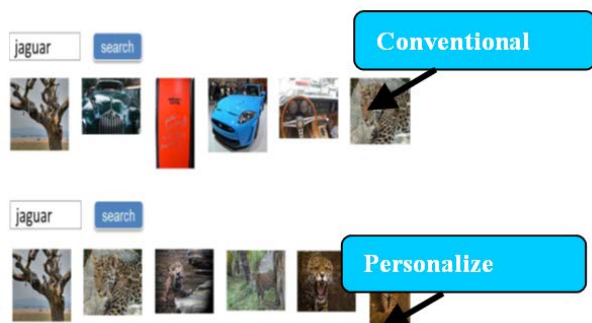


Figure 1. Example for conventional and personalized search results

The second class of personalization systems uses a profile of user's interests. One problem with this approach is that it is time-consuming for users to keep their explicit profiles current. Another problem is that while most of data mining methods have proven helpful and commercially successful, in most cases these data used contain personal information no one like to share and hence difficult to access to researchers [11].

Tags are one of important resource of metadata. Tags are user defined keywords so that user can easily identify and understand the data. But tagging systems has many challenges that arise when users try to attach semantics to objects through keywords [8][9]. These challenges are the same tag may have different meanings, tag has multiple related meanings, and multiple tags have the same meaning. One more method used by many social websites is that they display images by their "interestingness," with the most "interesting" images on top [12].

A machine learning-based method exploits information contained in user-generated metadata, specifically tags, in order to perform personalize image search for given user and showing results for same. This method fails if user has not shown any interest in past in that domain [15].

Most of the existing work follow this scheme and decompose personalized search into two steps: computing the non-personalized relevance score between the query and the document, and personalized score is calculated by estimating the user's preference over the document. Following this merge operation is done to produce a final ranked list of images [4][9].

While this two-step scheme is extensively utilized, it is subject to problems. 1) Way of explaining is less straight and not very realistic. The purpose of personalized search is to rank the returned documents by estimating the user's preference over documents under certain queries. All present scheme estimates user-query-document correlation by individually computing a query-document relevance score and a user-document relevance score, however this could be done at once to find user-query-document correlation. 2) Question of how to determine the merging operation is not trivial [14].

In Personalized search, verification is not an easy task since judgment of appropriate matter in hand can only be

evaluated by the searchers themselves. The most usual and popular method is user study. In user study different participants are asked to judge the results coming from various searches. Apparently this way of finding the results requires lots of research and hence is very costly. And results are unfair as the participants know that they are being tested. An additional way is by user query logs or click through history, this requires really massive and scalable real search logs, which is not easily available for most of the researchers [10].

Personalization system requires user data. But people wanted to keep personnel information confidential because of the privacy issues hence not interested in sharing their profiles. Keeping these profiles updated is one more problem. In such case social media plays very important role. Users upload pictures, mark objects as favourite, and write blogs. From this it becomes possible to derive user interests without disrespecting user privacy [7].

2.2 Problem Identification

On the web, there are many photo sharing websites with large-scale image collections available online, such as Flickr, Picasa, Zoomr and Pinterest4. These websites on the web allow their users as owners, taggers, or commenter's for their contributed images to work together and able to relate with each other in order to form channel of communication in a social media [7][8].

Because of large-scale web dataset, noisy and missing tags are inevitable, which limits the performance of social tag-based retrieval system [1][3][4]. Therefore, the tag refinement is necessary to remove noise and enrich tags for images to solve this problem. However more efforts are done on tag refinement to address the noisy and missing tags issues, while the user communication in the social tagging data is neglected which is one of the most important source of user study [8].

This paper proposes solution by doing personalize search by simultaneously considering online user query and offline it will analyze users information. Using ranking based tensor factorization model system predicts user annotation to the image.

3. Proposed Framework

The framework of this paper is shown in Fig.2. It contains two stages: offline stage and online personalized search stage.

The basic idea is to embed the user preference and query-related search intent into user-specific topic spaces. Since the users' original explanation is too sparse for topic modeling, we need to improve quality of users' notes giving explanation pool before user-specific topic spaces construction.

The framework will contain two components:

1. A ranking-based multi correlation model is proposed to perform basic search as per by predicting users' interest related with the query, which is taken into account as users' main annotations for the images.
2. User-specific topic modeling to map the query relevance and user preference into the same user-specific topic space.

Finally, the images are ranked according to the calculated user's choices, which at the same time consider the query and user information as well. The projected system implemented as three tier architecture. First is client site where user submits query, then searching is done at server site and then remote database site where results are stored. Above framework is also verified for double word query.

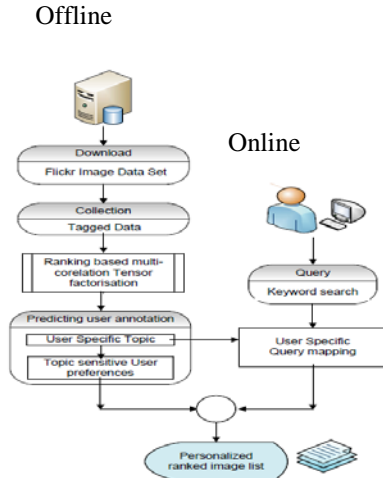


Figure 2. Work Flow Diagram

3.1 RMTF (Ranking Based Multi-correlation Tensor Factorization)

In all photo sharing websites three types of entities are considered when comes to tagging data. This classified data can be viewed as a set of triplets. Let U denote the set of users, I the set of images and T the sets of tags and the set of observed tagging data is denoted by O , i.e., each triplet $(u,i,t) \in O$ means that user has annotated image with tag. The ternary interrelations can then constitute a three dimensional tensor, which is defined as otherwise.

$$Y_{u,i,t} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (u,i,t) \in O \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Fig. 3(a) shows the tensor constructed from the design in Fig. 2.

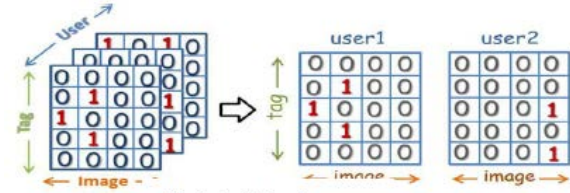


Fig (a) 0/1 scheme

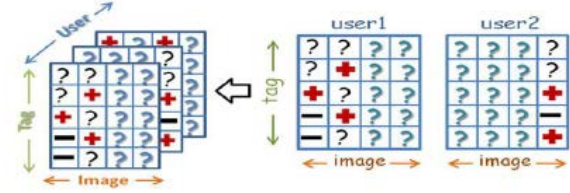


Fig (b) Ranking scheme

Figure 3. Interpretation of Tagging data (a) 0/1 scheme (b) Ranking Scheme

A tensor is three dimensional matrixes constructed for individual user. At initial stage it is created for individual user per image if the user has given tag then 1 is entered in matrix otherwise 0. As this optimization scheme tries to fit to the numerical values of 1 and 0, we refer it as the 0/1 scheme. All unobserved data is treated as 0. But 0/1 scheme has problem that firstly, the fact that some user has not given any tag to certain images that does not mean that user is considering all the tags are bad for describing the images. Maybe that user does not want to tag the image or has no chance to see the image. Secondly, let user annotates image with only tag3. It is again irrational to assume that other tags should not be annotated to the image, as some concepts may be missing in 0/1 scheme. To address this problem ranking optimization scheme is presented. This scheme considers user tagging behavior. Each user image combination is defined as post. Ranking optimization scheme is performed over each post and within each post (u,i) a positive tag set and negative tag set are constructed. These sets form training pair. Here we have considered all positive tag sets give better description of images than negative tag set.

It may also happen that some concepts may be missing in the user-generated tags. We assume that all context relevant tags (the tags that occurring frequently) are likely to appear in the same image. On the other hand, users will not bother to use all the relevant tags to express the image. The tags which are semantic-relevant with the noticed tags are also the possible good descriptions for the image. To perform the idea, we build a tag affinity graph based on tag semantic and context intra-relations. The tags with the -highest affinity values are considered semantic-relevant and context-relevant. We only keep the unobserved tags semantic-irrelevant and context-irrelevant to any of the observed tags, to form the negative tag set.

3.2 Multicorrelation Smoothness Constraints

We can see that in Flickr, 90% images have no more than four taggers and the average number of tagger for each image is about 1.9. It is observed that the average tagger for each webpage in Del.icio.us is 6.1 [13]. Because of Limitation of information system has to consider external resources to enable information propagation. System collects multiple intra relations between users, images and tags. Taking this intra relation affinity graphs are created. Also system collects ternary interrelations among user-query-document. We assume that two items with high affinities should be mapped close to each other in the learnt factor subspaces.

3.3 Tag affinity graph

To provide the ranking based optimization scheme, the tag affinity graph built. This graph is based on the tag semantic relevance and context relevance. The context relevance of tag and is simply encoded by their weighted co-occurrence in the image collection. Semantic relevance between two tags is based on their WordNet distance. WordNet is a lexical database which is available online, and provides a warehouse of English lexical items. WordNet was designed to establish the connections between four types of Parts of Speech (POS) - noun, verb, adjective, and adverb. More the score means higher is the similarity between two tags. These graphs are used to impose the smoothness constraint and to reconstruct the tensor.

3.4 User Specific Topic Modeling

Once the remodeling of user-tag-image ternary interrelations are done, we can directly perform the personalized image search: when user submits a query, the rank of image is inversely proportional to the probability of annotating with tag q .

3.5 Online Personalized Search

In the online stage, when user submits a query, we first perform user-specific query mapping—estimate the conditional probability that belongs to user-specific topics. User query is compared with list of topics generated from the user and prediction made that user has interest in certain area. After that images are ranked accordingly.

4. Algorithm

In Database one set contain records of image and tags associated with the images given by different user. The other table contains images with their description.

- 1) At first a tensor is created. A tensor is three dimensional matrix containing user, image, tag.
- 2) Suppose user has given query Jaguar. First, all the records from the database are retrieved. Their relevance with the query word is checked; one by one all the tags present in dataset are compared with query word. For this WordNet dictionary is used. This dictionary compares the query with every tag and returns the value. In our system we kept the threshold 0.5. if the value of comparison is 0.5 or more value 1 else 0 is placed in a tensor.
- 3) For double word if the query is 'mother care'. If the first tag in dataset is apple then first word in query that is mother is compared with the tag apple. Then second word that is care is compared with tag apple.
- 4) Using this information graph is formed based on tags semantic and context intra-relations. This gives the list of topics for user.
- 5) Then this calculated matrix value is taken and placed in an array containing values and images.
- 6) Since for same images there could be multiple tags that could be relevant with the query, it may create duplicates. Hence we need to remove those duplicates so in the list of final images same image need not be seen many times.
- 7) Images need to be placed in an order from highest to lowest value of relevance. For this purpose array is needed to get sorted.
- 8) Final list of Images is generated.

5. Experimental Results

It is found that non Personalize search contains many irrelevant images. Personalize search results are based on user search intent and hence more accurate. In our experiment we considered personalize search result for two user for word "apple". "apple" could be Fruit or it could be product of apple company. User 'a' has tagged for apple fruit and user 'b' tagged for apple ipods. Following figure (a) describes the non personalize search result for both the user which shows picture of Apple and apple company products like ipod and phone. Figure (b) represents Personalize search result which shows only pictures of apple fruit for user 'a' and figure (c) pictures of ipod for user 'b' as a result of personalize search.



Figure 4 (a) Results of non personalize search for word apple (b) result of Personalize search by user a (c) result of personalize search by user b

We created dataset that contains hundred images of each Jaguar cat and Jaguar Car. Two users are created. The given dataset is tested for Non personalize search and personalize search.

In another test the dataset is tested for double word query and giving desired results. Given module works for multiple word queries.



Figure 5 (a) Results of non personalize search for word mother care (b) result of Personalize search for mother care Product

We come across single words with two meanings as in case of word “jaguar”, it may also happen with double words. In the testing we found that our system is capable to find relevant results in that case. For this we have taken example of images related to famous brand “mother care” and word “mother care”. The prior will show the images of baby products to the user if the user has tagged to it and later will show the images of mother and baby. Search results for the double word Mother Care is shown in figure 5(a) that shows non personalize search containing pictures of mother and daughter as well as product of the brand Mother Care. In 5 (b) result of personalize search has shown where user has explicitly shown interest by tagging on products of brand Mother Care.

It is seen that the proposed framework greatly outperforms the baseline.

6. Conclusion

Getting accurate search results is today’s demand as web contains lots of data. It also generates large quality of metadata. This metadata is in the form of tag and posts on social networking site, groups to which they submit images. Efficiently utilizing this rich user information in the social sharing websites for personalized search is challenging task as well as important enough to merit attention. In this paper we have found that proposed framework to exploit the users’ social activities for personalized image search is outperforming and showing good results. Also the framework extended to work for double word query is showing desirable results.

During user specific topic modeling process the obtained user specific topic spaces can be used to generate user’s interest report. Hence in future current work can be extended to any application based on interest profiles. Large developed tensor brings challenges in terms of number of comparisons done and hence to the cost of computation. We can plan to use parallelization which will offer suitable method to store very large matrices and helps in additional cut in the storage cost.

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