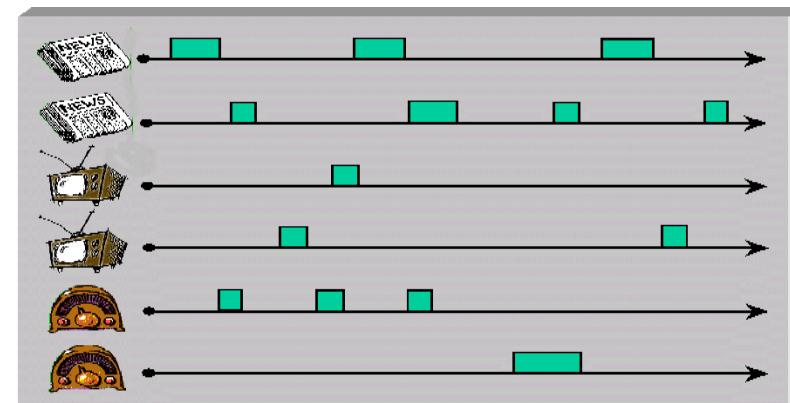


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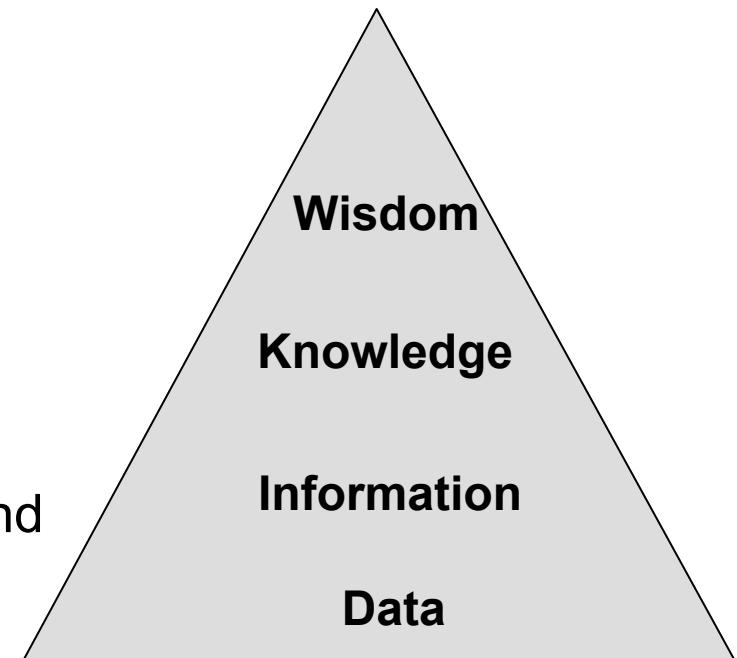
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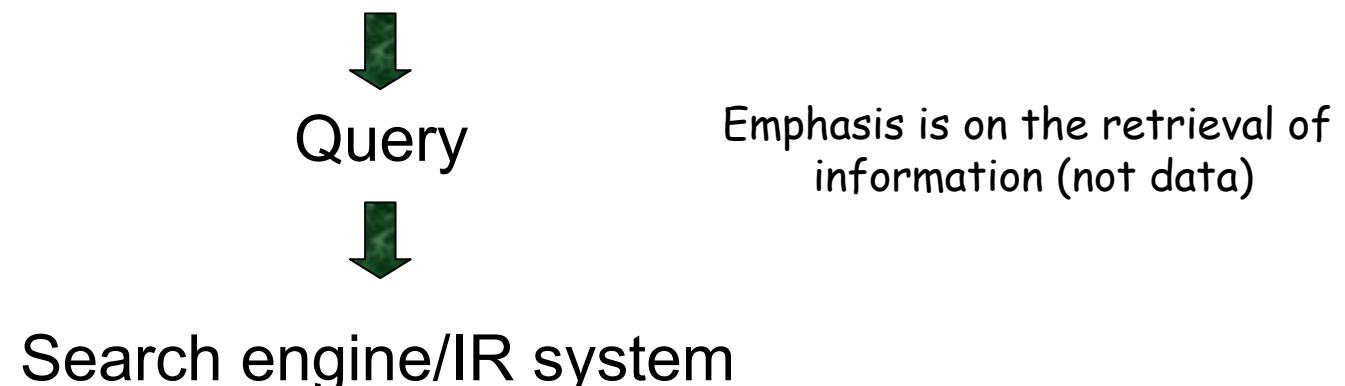
Motivation

- 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 (cont.)

- 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
 - (3) National ranking in last three years and contact information



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 user 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 (cont.)

- IR system
 - Interpret contents of information items (docs)
 - Generate a ranking which reflects relevance
 - Notion of *relevance* is most important

IR at the Center of the Stage

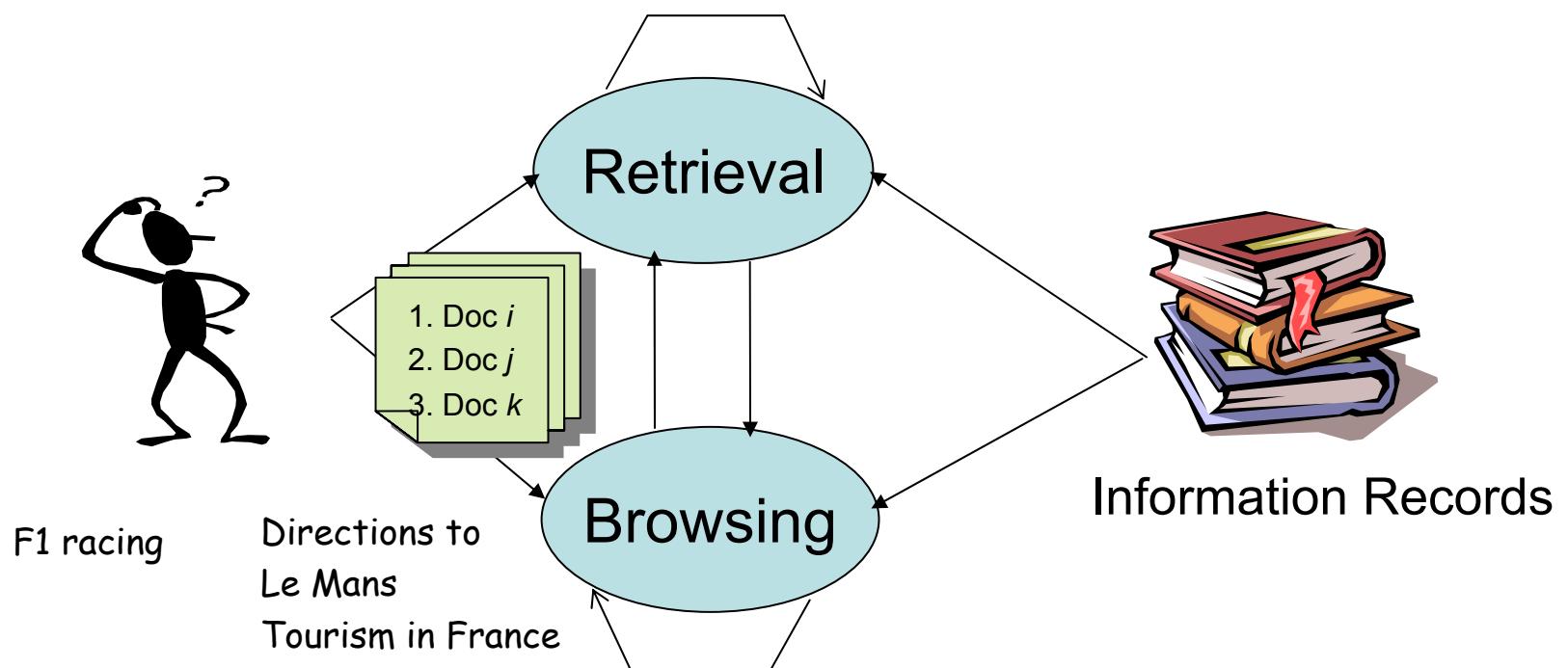
- IR in the last 20 years:
 - Modeling, classification, clustering, filtering
 - User interfaces and visualization
 - Systems and languages
- WWW environment (90~)
 - Universal repository of knowledge and culture
 - Without frontiers: free universal access
 - Lack of well-defined data model

IR Main Issues

- The effective retrieval of relevant information affected by
 - The user task
 - Logical view of the documents

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

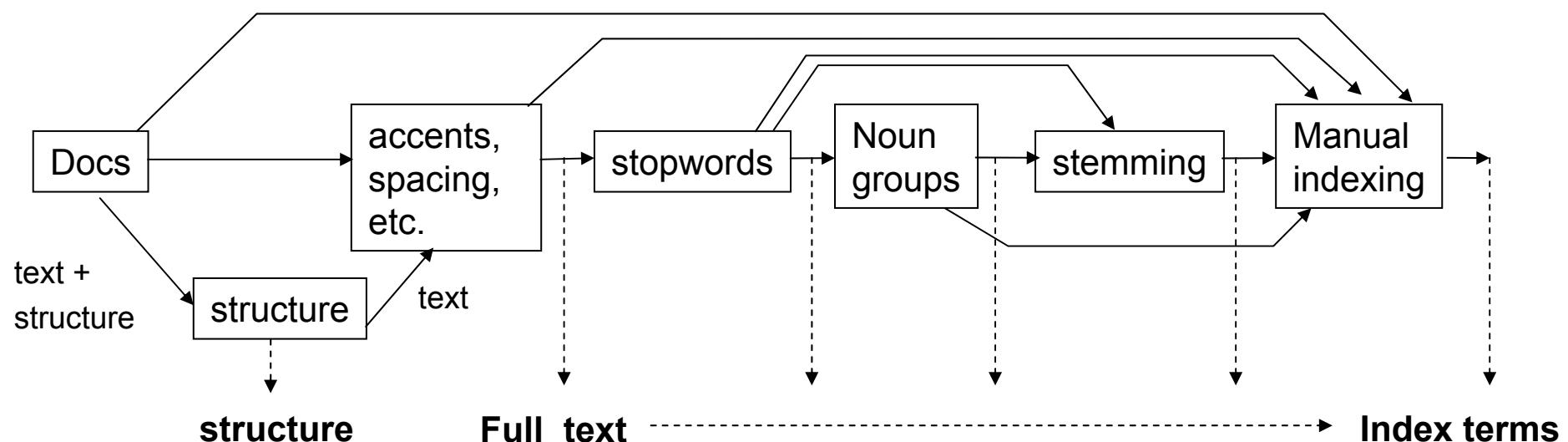


Logical View of the Documents

- A full text view (representation)
 - Represent document by its whole set of words
 - Complete but higher computational cost
- 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 (cont.)

- 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

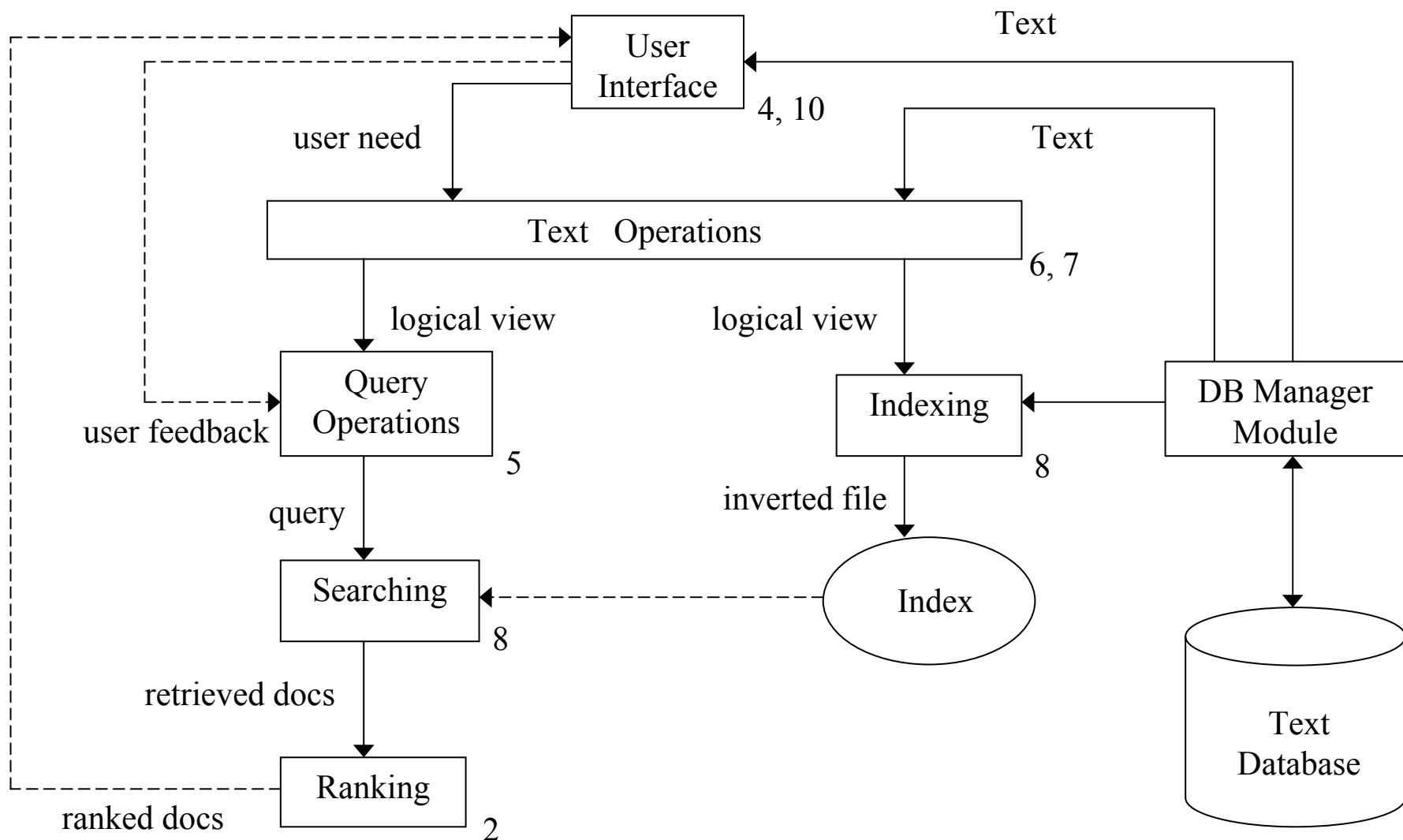
- Computer-centered (commercial perspective)
 - Efficient indexing approaches
 - High performance matching ranking algorithms
 - Human-centered (academic perceptive)
 - Studies of user behaviors
 - Understanding of user needs
- } *Library science
psychology*

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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 (Precision vs. Recall)
 - The user interaction with the system (HCI, Human Computer Interaction)
- Other concerns
 - Security and privacy
 - Copyright and patent

The Retrieval Process



The Retrieval Process (cont.)

- 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

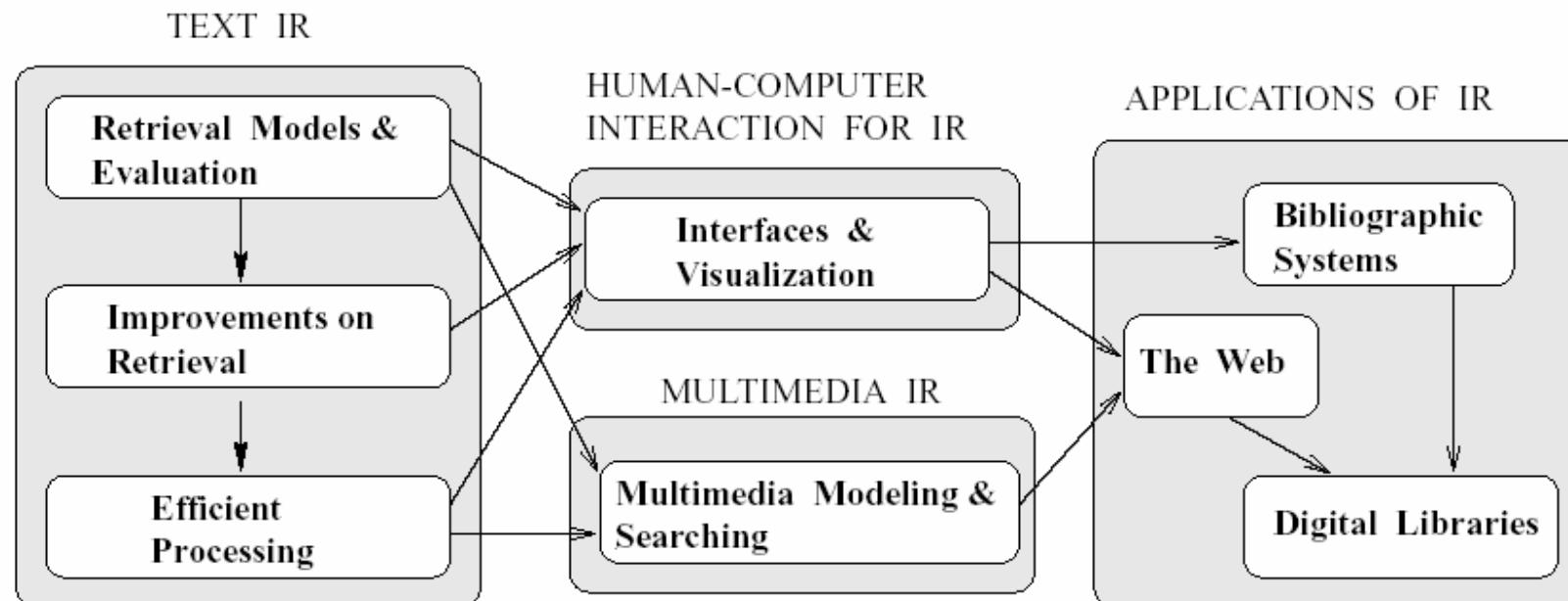
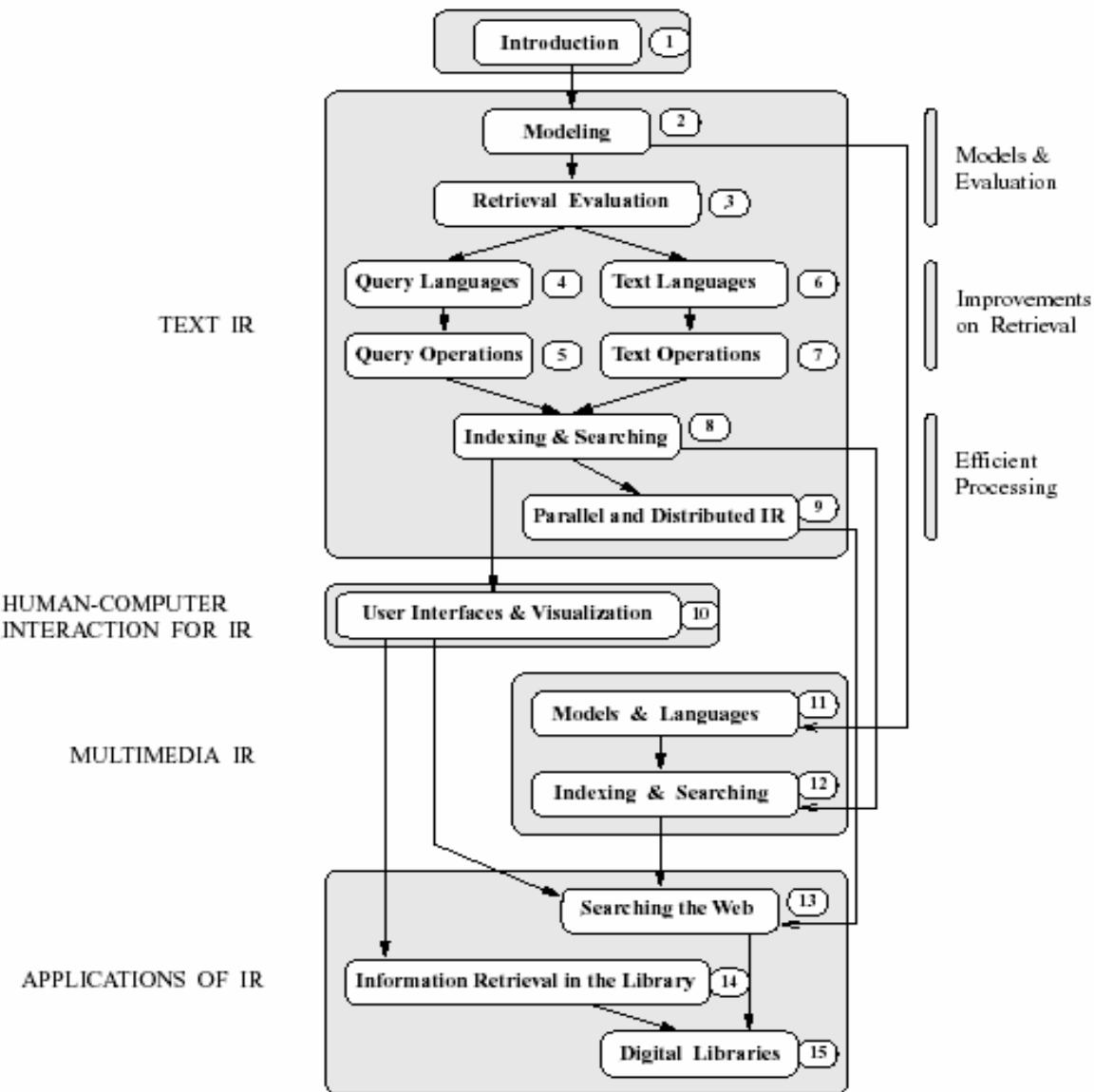


Figure 1.4 Topics which compose the book and their relationships.

Major Topics (cont.)

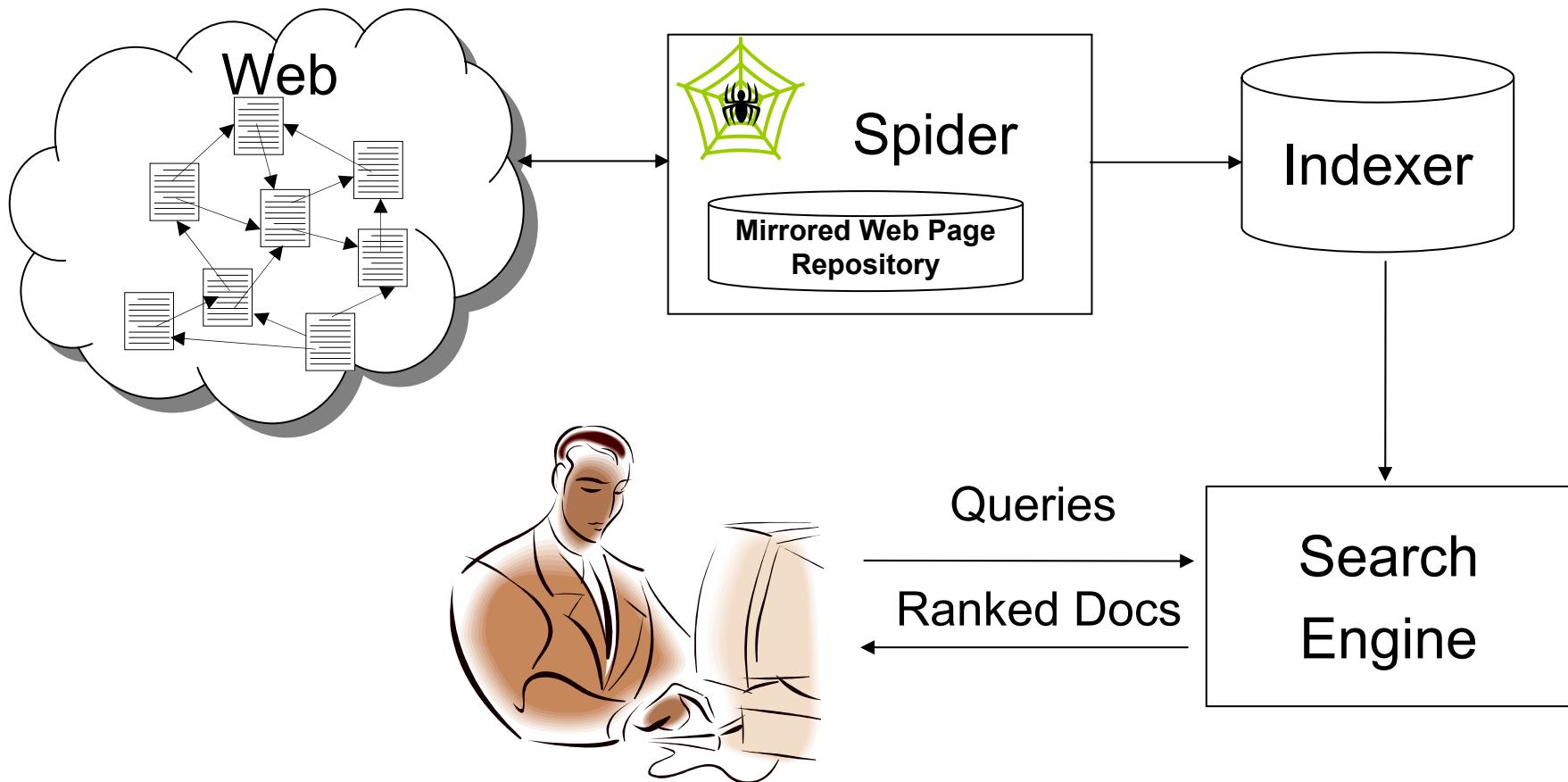
- Text IR
 - Retrieval models, evaluation methods, indexing
- Human-Computer Interaction (HCI)
 - Improved user interfaces and better data visualization tools
- Multimedia IR
 - Text, speech, audio and video contents
 - Multidisciplinary approaches
- Applications
 - Web, bibliographic systems, digital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

Textbook Topics



Text Information Retrieval

- Internet searching engine



Text Information Retrieval (cont.)

The image shows two Microsoft Internet Explorer windows side-by-side, illustrating the results of a text information retrieval query.

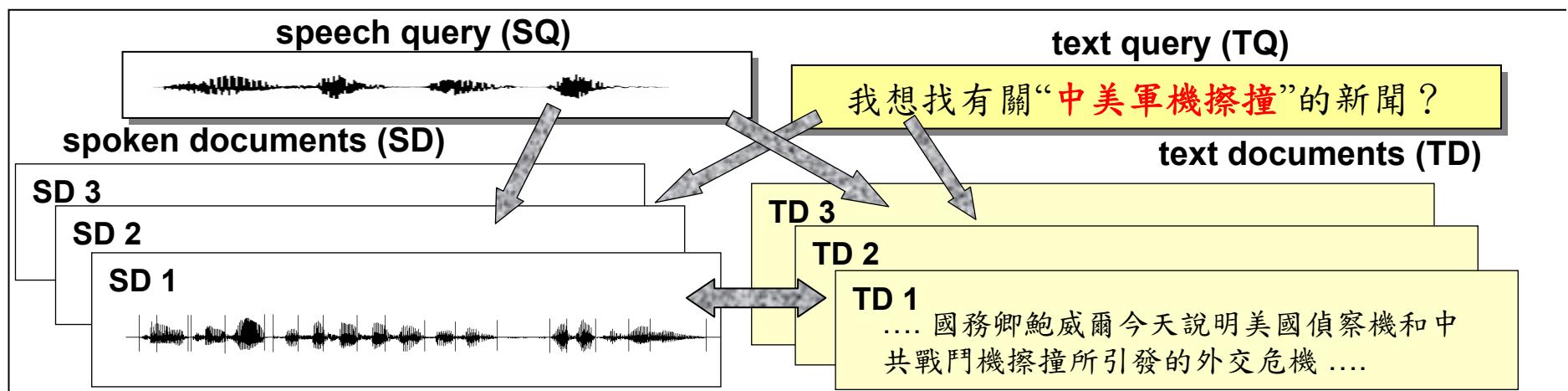
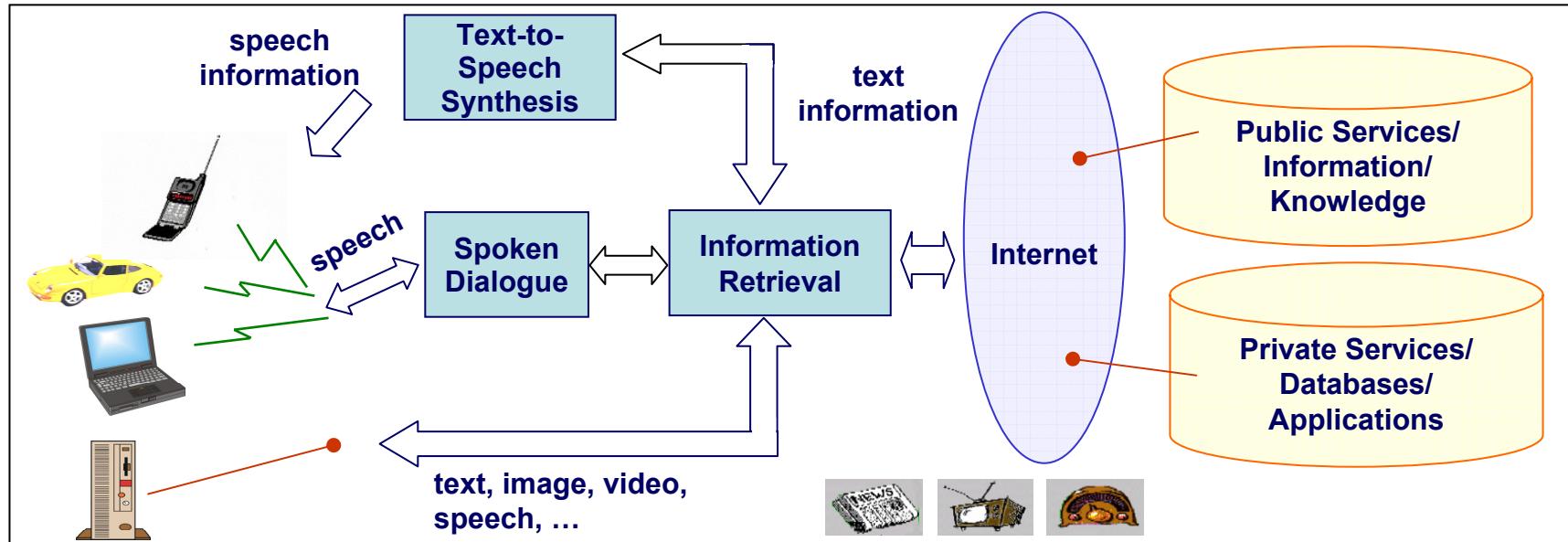
Left Window (Google 搜尋: 觀霧 - Microsoft Internet Explorer):

- Search Bar:** 搜尋 Google搜尋
- Search Options:** 搜尋所有網站 搜尋所有中文網頁 搜尋中文(繁體)網頁
- Results:** 共約有5,660項查詢結果，這是第1-10項。搜尋共費0.11秒。
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 - 雪霸國家公園 觀霧遊憩區**
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www.sppn.gov.tw/chinese/information/kuanwu.htm - 7k - 頁庫存檔 - 類似網頁

Right Window (Openfind Taiwan Webpage Search: 觀霧 - Microsoft Internet Explorer):

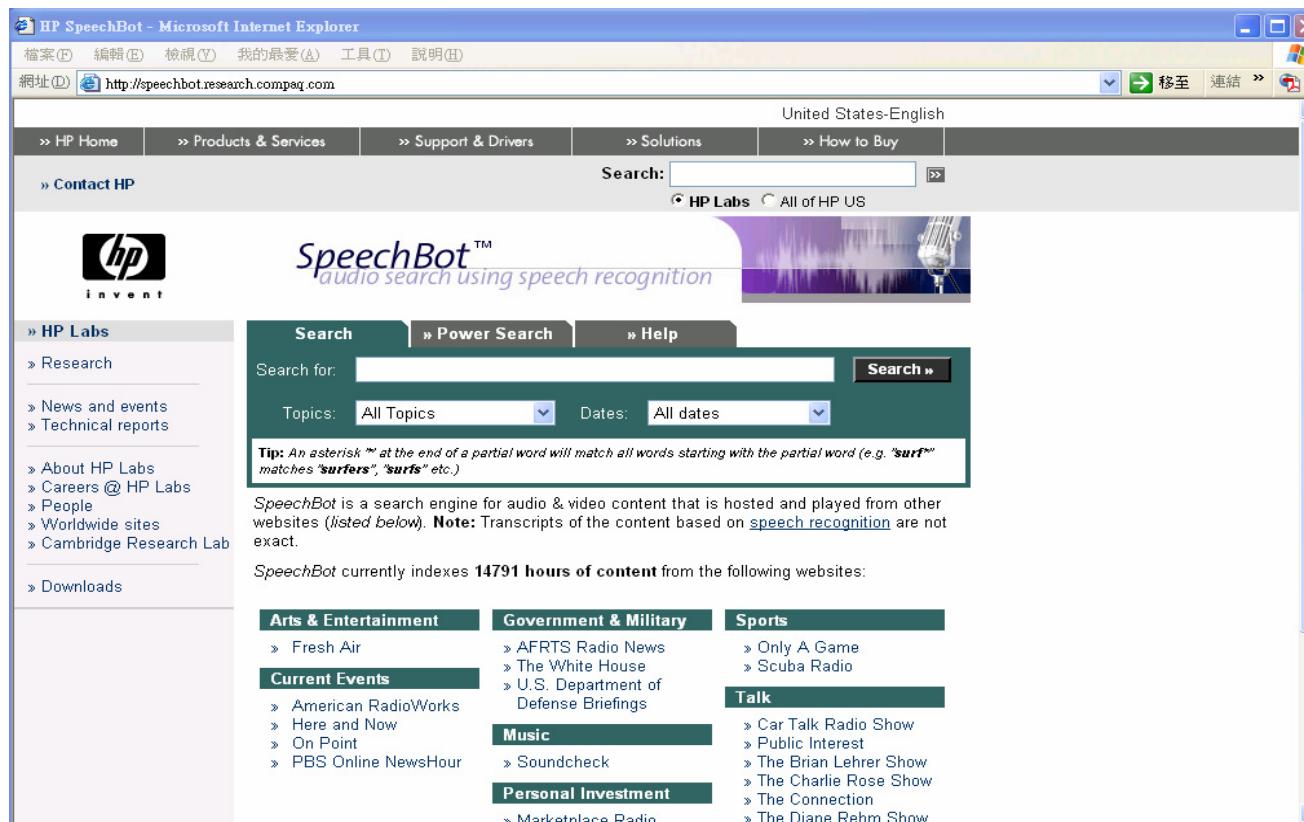
- Search Bar:** 搜尋 Openfind 免費撥接服務
- Search Options:** 不限日期 進階 - 喜好 - 說明
- Results:** Openfind 找到 5,594 篇相關網頁 [有效增加網站曝光](#)
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Speech Information Retrieval



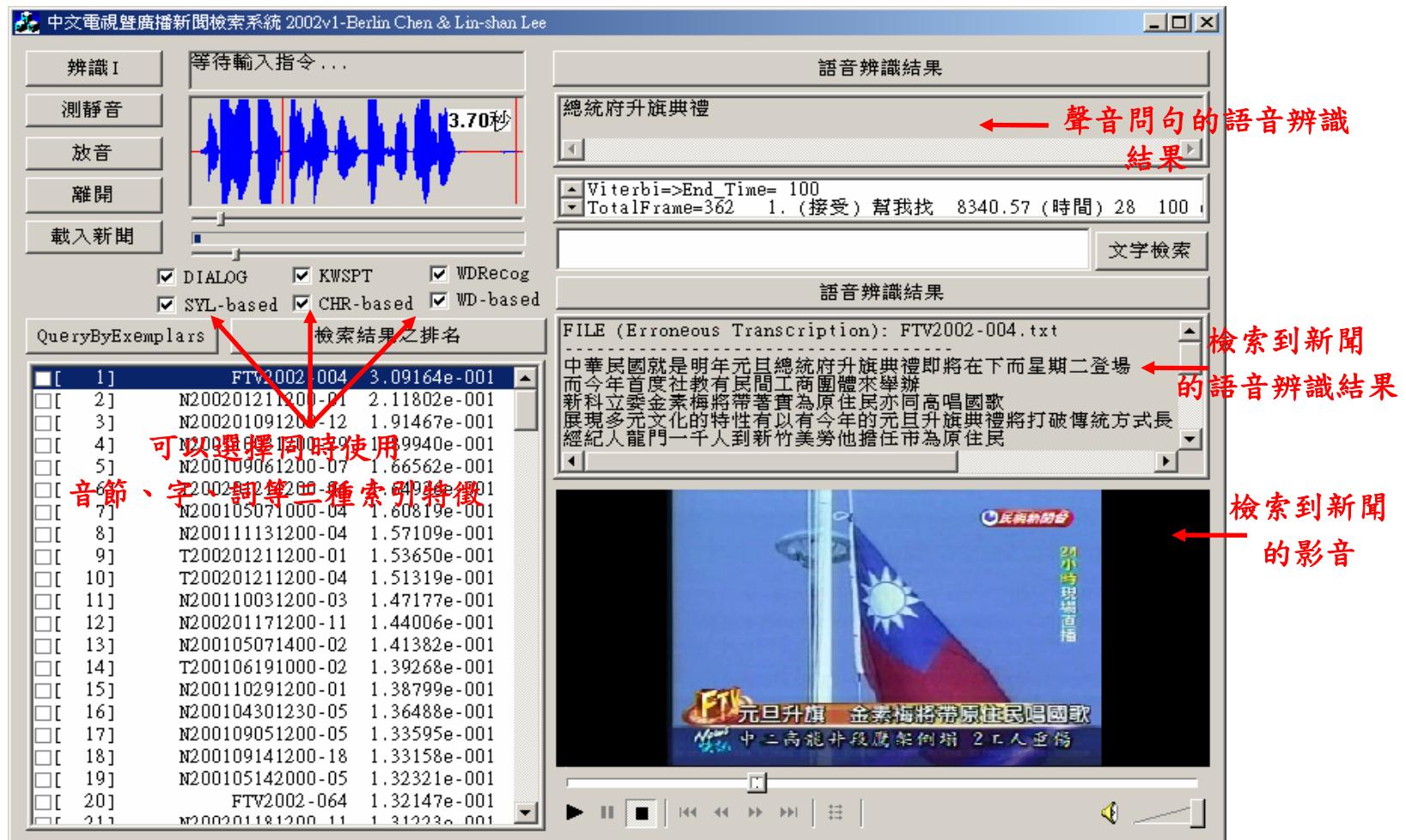
Speech Information Retrieval (cont.)

- Compaq Research Group – Speechbot System
 - Broadcast news speech recognition, Information retrieval, and topic segmentation (SIGIR2001)
 - Currently indexes **14,791 hours of content** (2004/09/22, <http://speechbot.research.compaq.com/>)



Speech Information Retrieval (cont.)

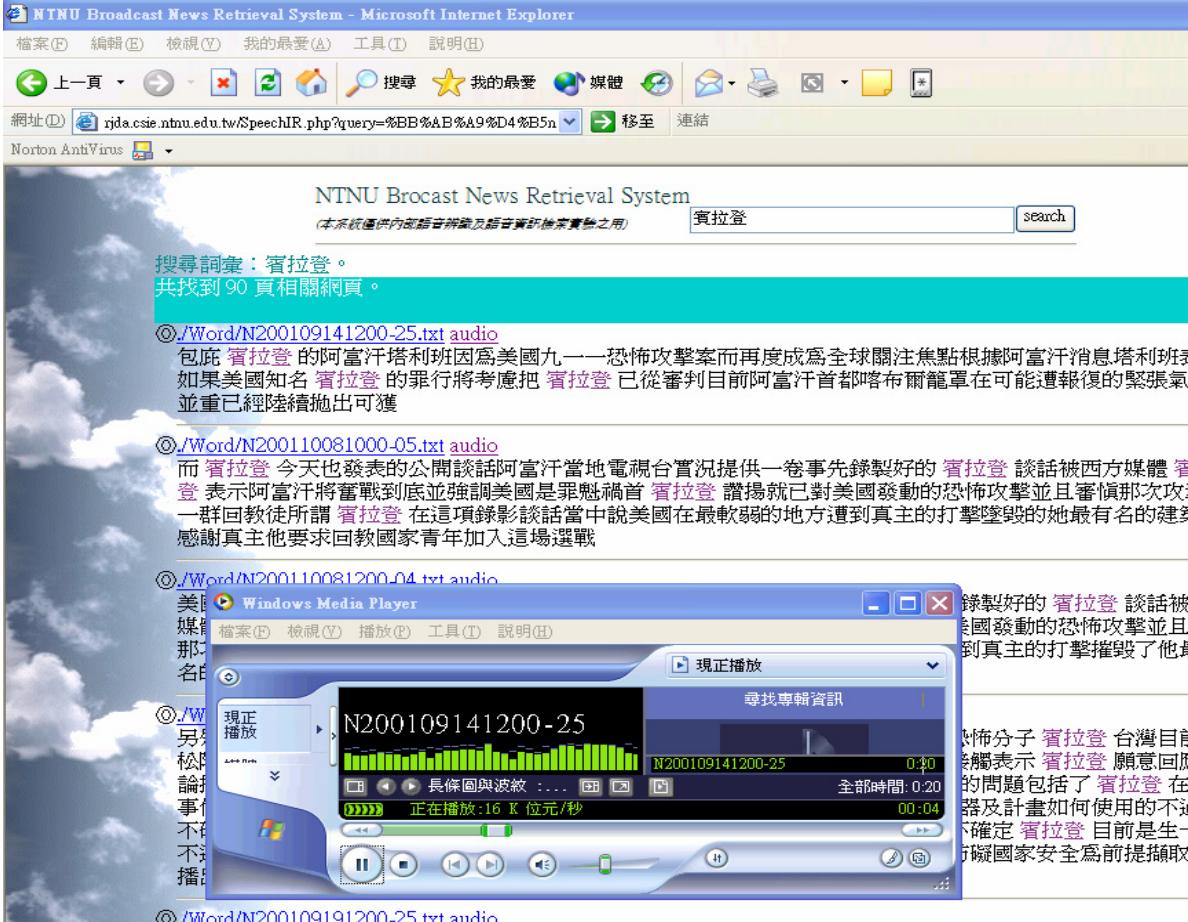
- 輸入聲音問句：“請幫我查總統府升旗典禮”



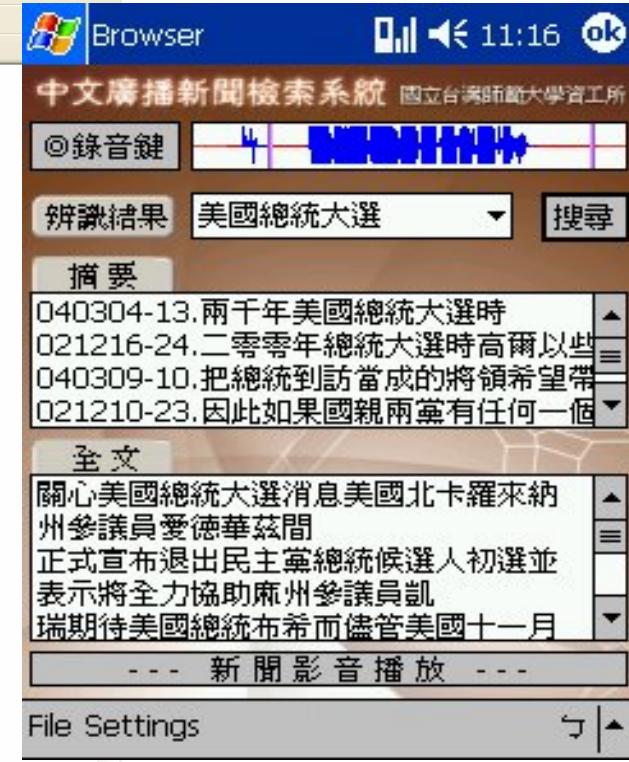
中文影音多媒體資訊檢索離形展示系統。

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Speech Information Retrieval (cont.)



The screenshot shows the NTNU Broadcast News Retrieval System interface. A search query "賓拉登" has been entered into the search bar. The results page displays several news items, each with a link to a text file and an audio file. One result is highlighted, showing a preview of the text and a Windows Media Player window playing the corresponding audio file.



The screenshot shows the Chinese Broadcast News Search System interface. A search query "美國總統大選" has been entered into the search bar. The results page displays a list of news items, each with a title and a brief summary. A specific news item is highlighted, showing a preview of the text and a "News Audio Playback" button.

Visual Information Retrieval

- Content-based approach

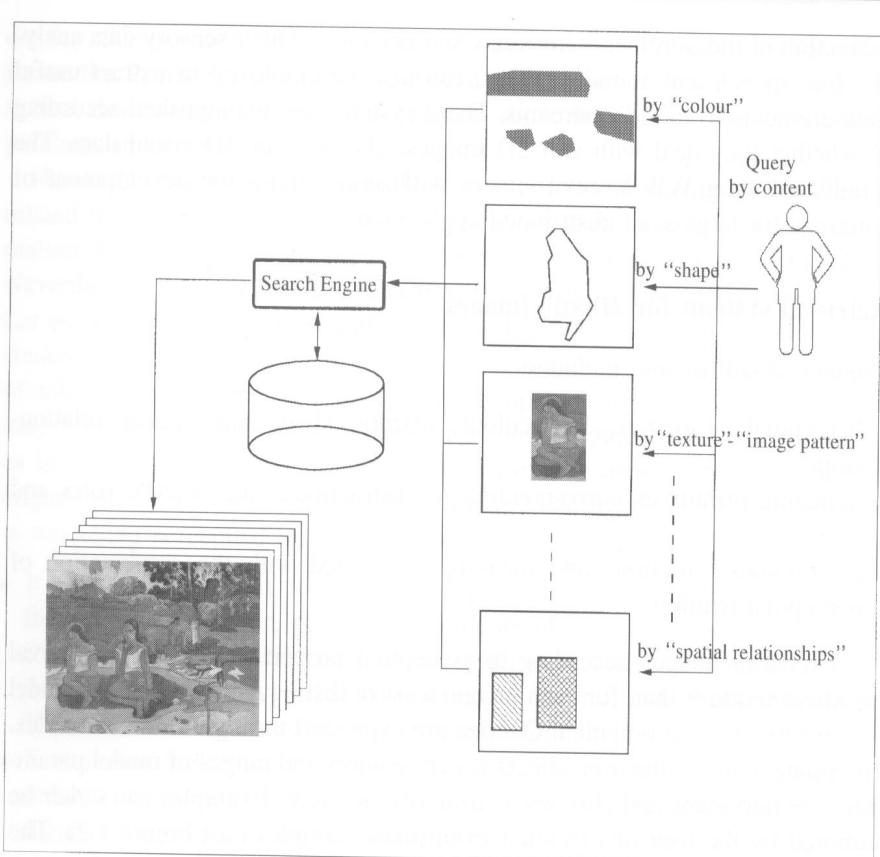


Figure 1.2 Different types of query by example.

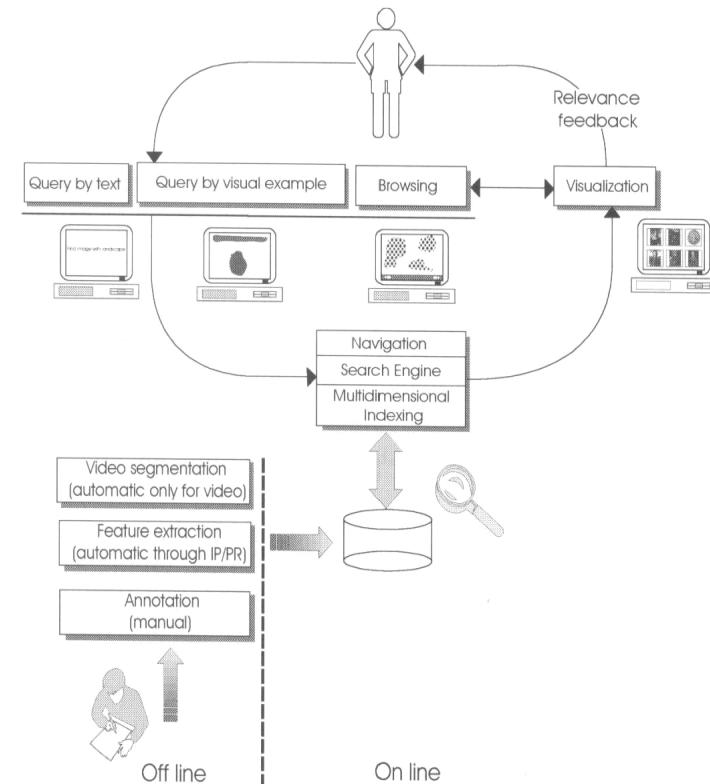
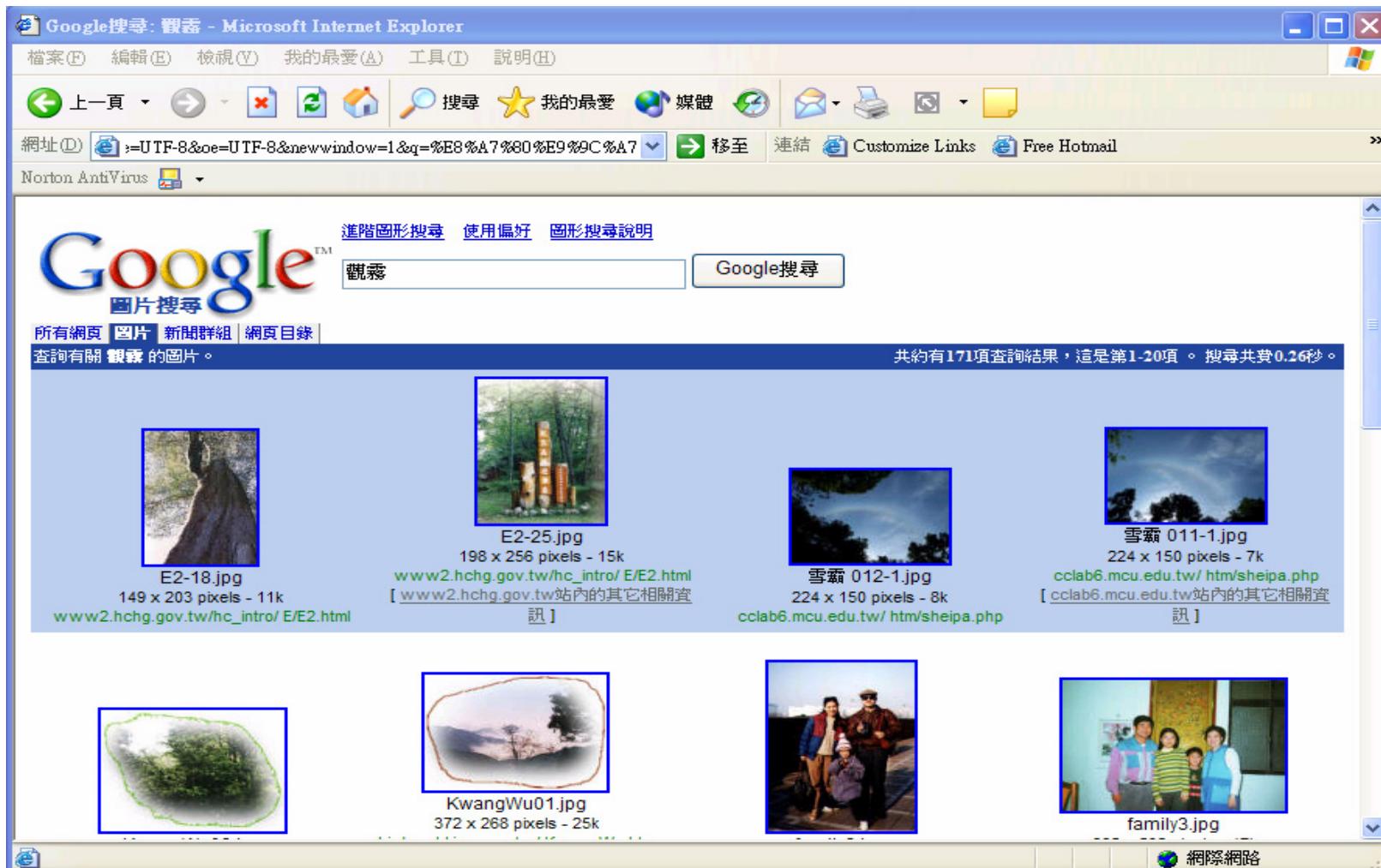


Figure 1.5 Sketch of a new-generation visual information retrieval system for video.

Visual Information Retrieval (cont.)

- Images with Texts

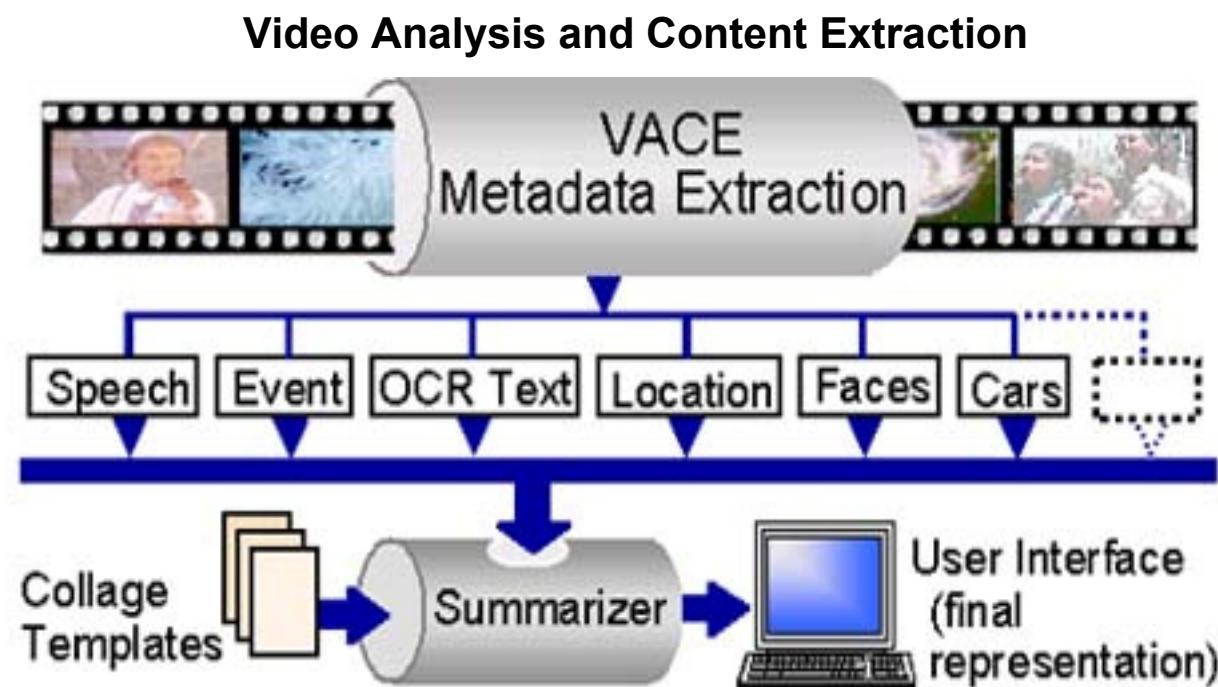


Visual Information Retrieval (cont.)

- Content-based Image Retrieval



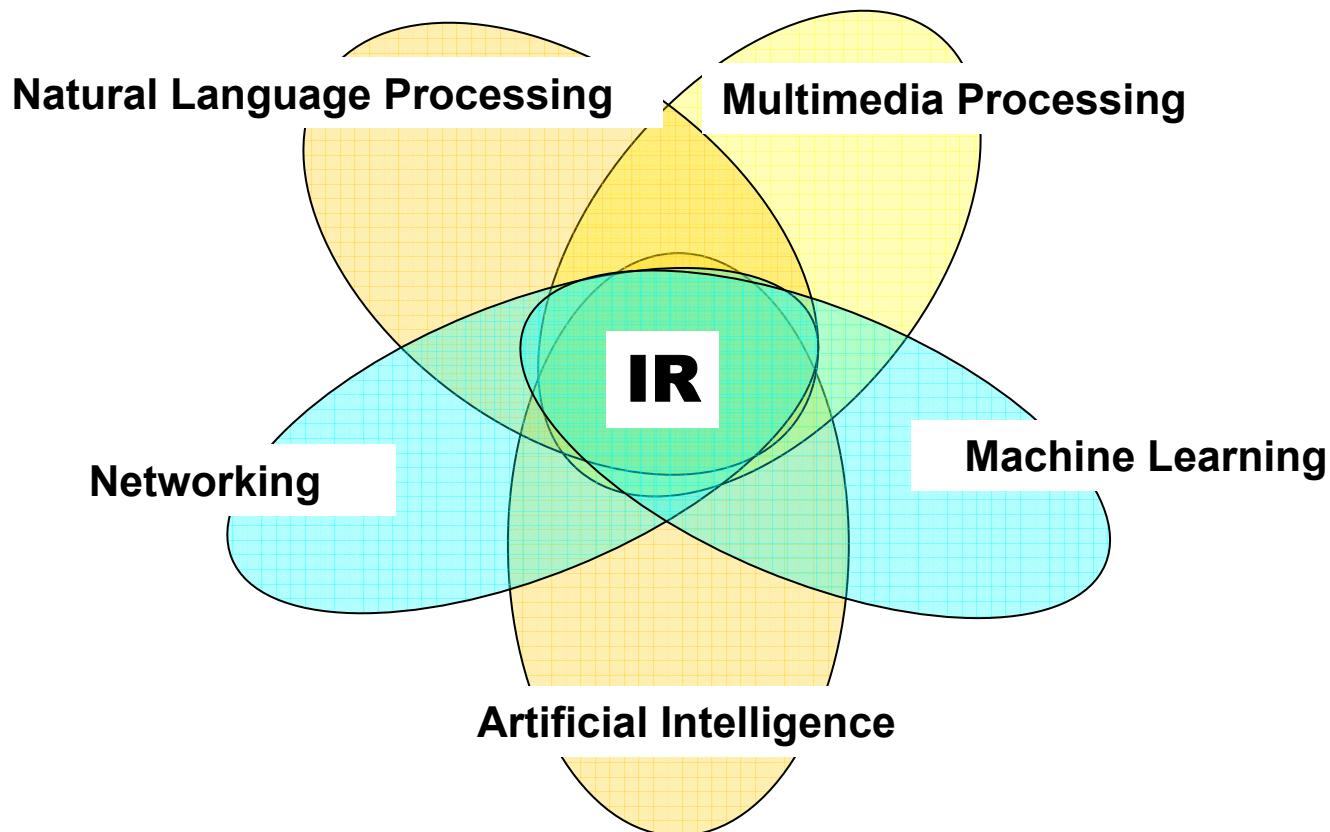
Visual Information Retrieval (cont.)



Other IR-Related Tasks

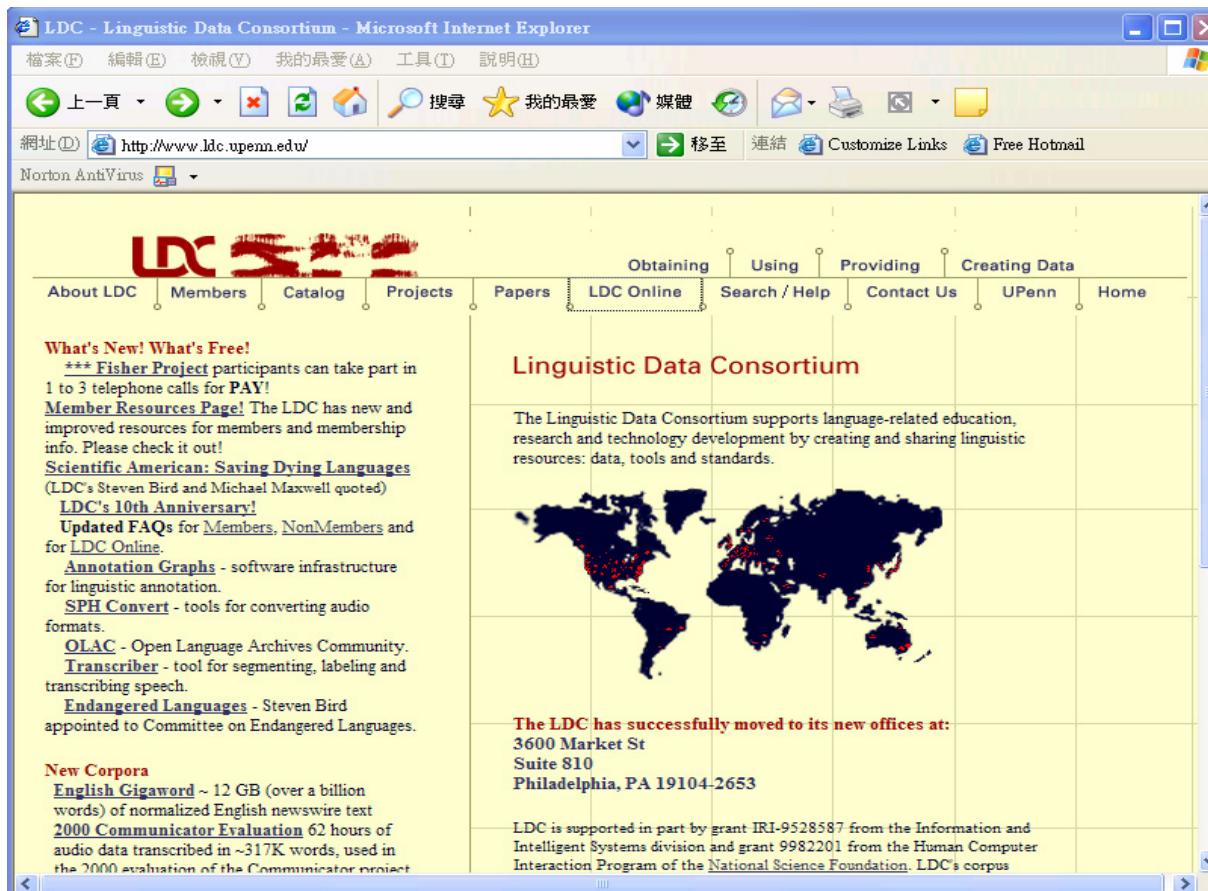
- Information filtering and routing
- **Document categorization**
- **Document clustering**
- **Document summarization**
- Information extraction
- Question answering
- Crosslingual information retrieval
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Multidisciplinary Approaches



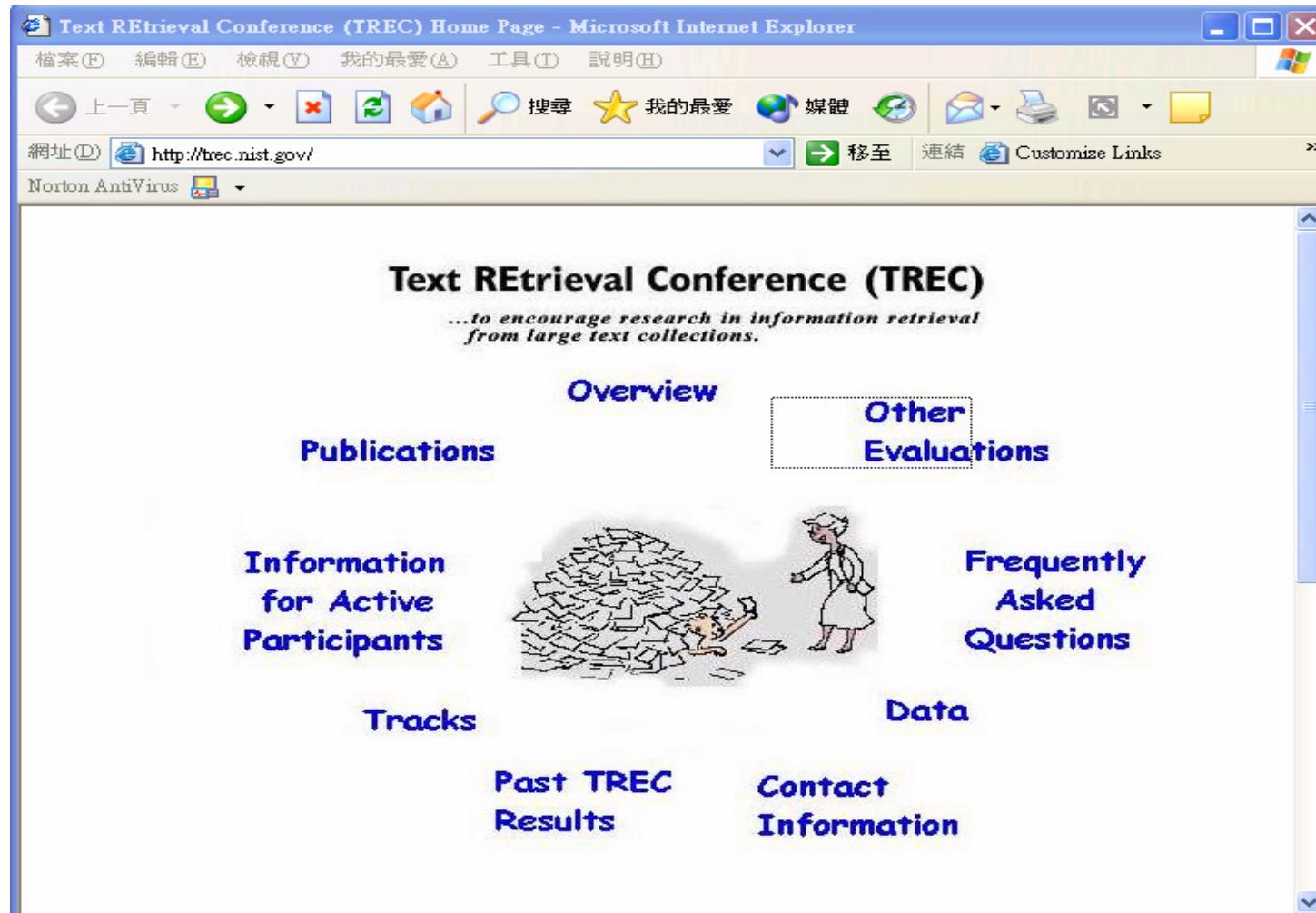
Resources

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



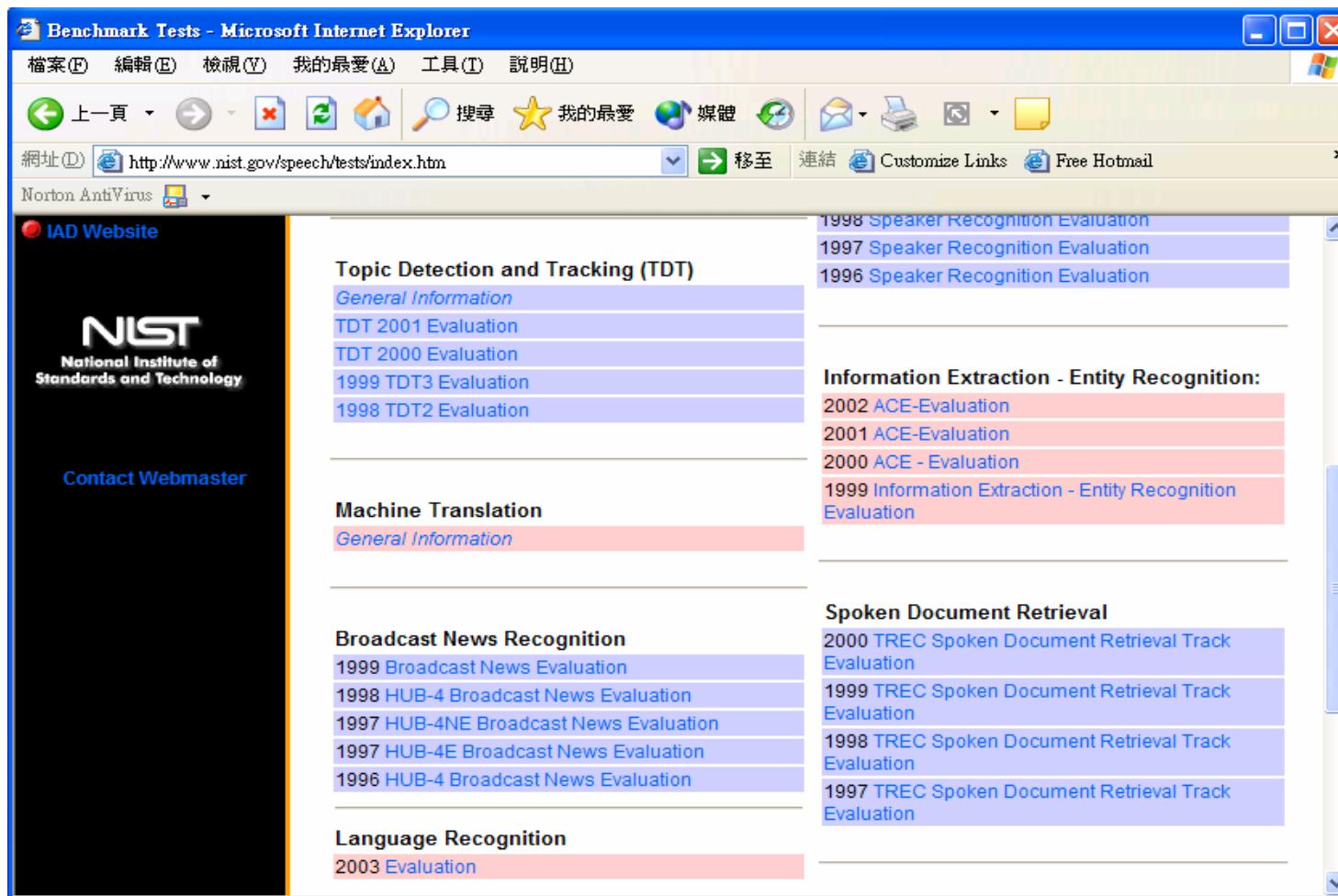
Contests

- 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)
 - ...
- Journals
 - ACM Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS)
 - ACM Transactions on Asian Language Information Processing (TALIP)
 - Information Processing and Management (IP&M)
 - Journal of the American Society for Information Science (JASIS)
 - ...