



HY463 - Συστήματα Ανάκτησης Πληροφοριών Information Retrieval (IR) Systems

Διεπαφές Χρήστη & Οπτικοποίηση (User Interfaces & Visualization)

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 - Χρήστης και Προσπέλαση Πληροφορίας
 - Το Γενικό Πλαίσιο
 - Πληροφοριακές Ανάγκες Χρηστών
- **Διεπαφές Χρήστης για**
 - (a) **Starting Points** (Σημεία Εκκίνησης)
 - Τρόποι Πλοήγησης
 - Ιεραρχική, Οπτική Scatter/Gather
 - Browsing vs Searching
 - (b) **Query Specification**
 - Formed-based Query Specification
 - Boolean Queries
 - Parametric Search
 - (c) **Viewing Retrieval Results (in Context)**
 - Exploring the Results (Cat-a-cone, Summarization)
 - (d) **Interactive Relevance Feedback**

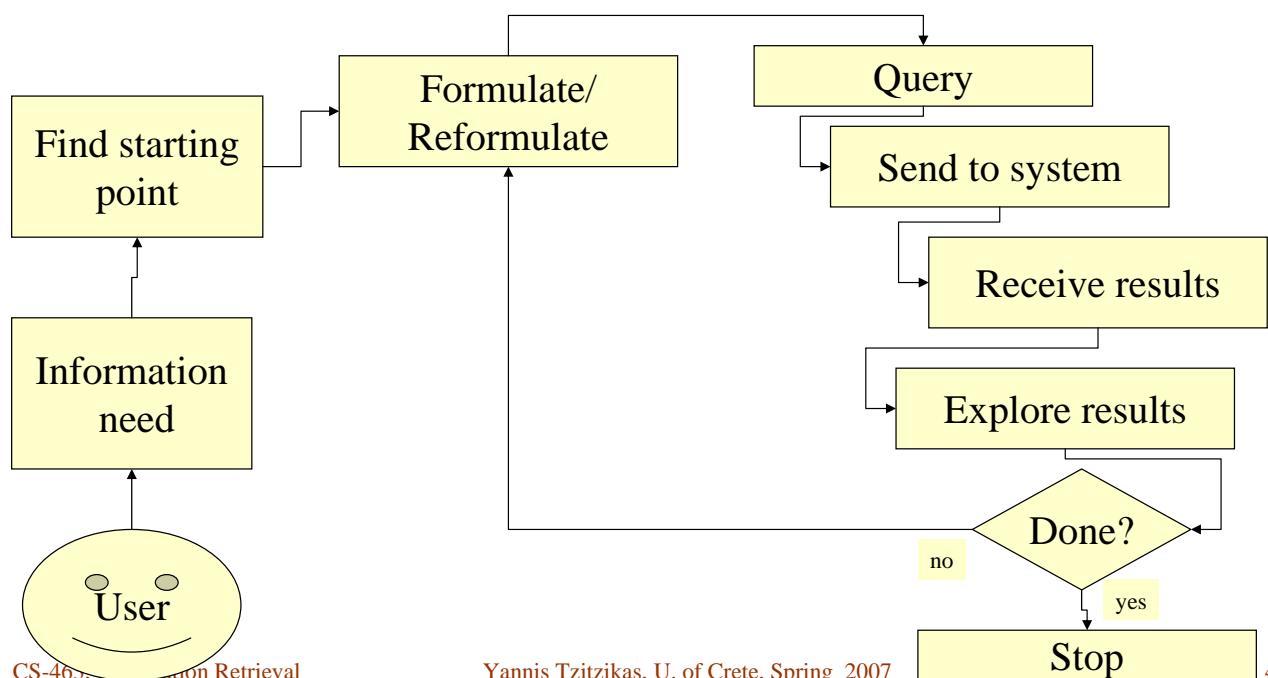


Χρήστης και Προσπέλαση Πληροφορίας

- Information seeking is an imprecise process
 - users may have only a *fuzzy understanding* of how they can achieve their goals
- UI should help users
 - understand and express their information needs
 - formulate their queries and understand the results



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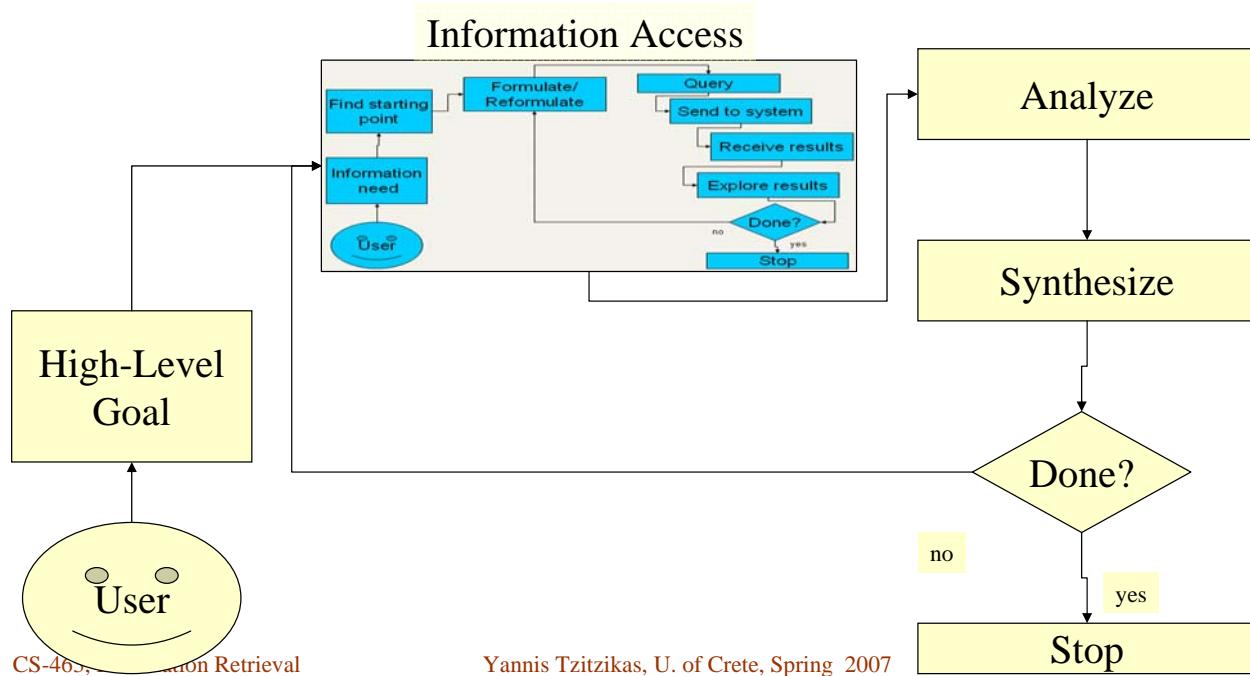
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- [O'Day and Jeffries]: Information seeking is only one part of the full work process. In between searching sessions many different work was done with the retrieved information, including reading and annotating and analysis.
- Decomposition of the analysis step
 - 80%
 - Finding trends
 - Making comparisons
 - Aggregating information
 - Identifying a critical subset
 - Assessing and interpreting
 - 20%
 - Cross-referencing, Summarizing
 - Finding evocative visualizations for reports, Miscellaneous activities



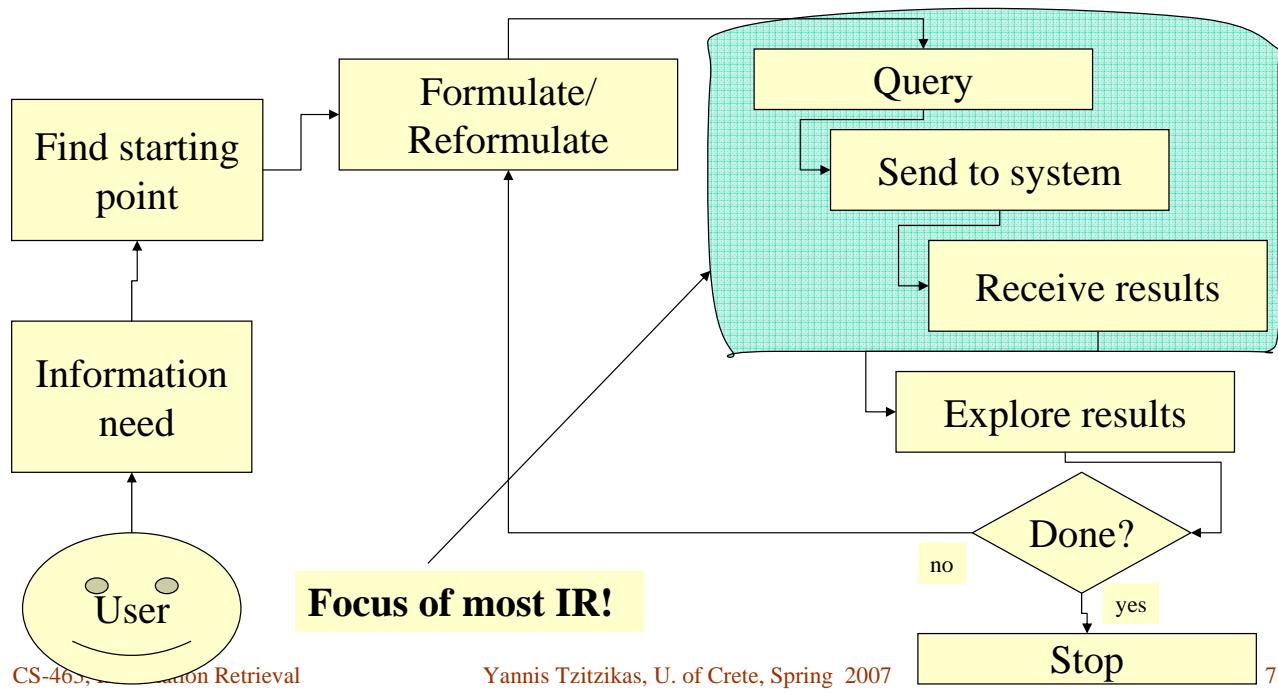
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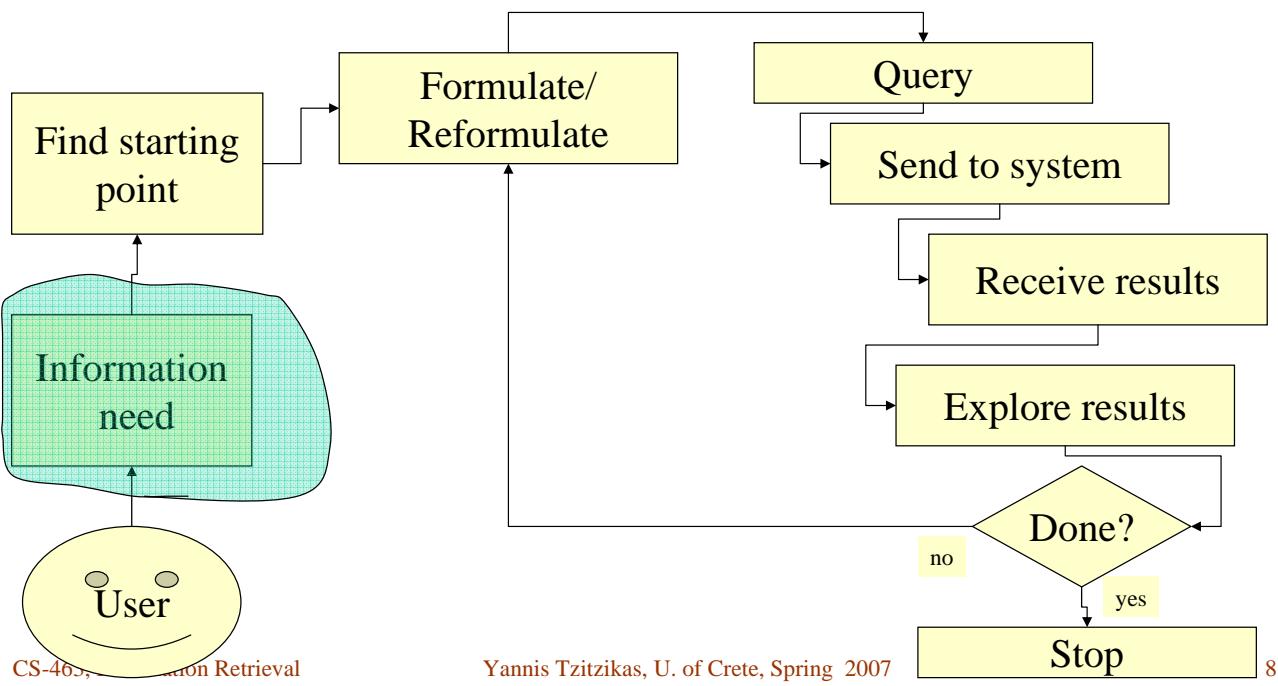




Που εστιάζει η πλειονότητα των Συστημάτων Ανάκτησης Πληροφορίας:



Πληροφοριακές Ανάγκες Χρηστών





Τύποι Πληροφοριακών Αναγκών Types of Information Needs

- Most search engines do not disclose their search logs, so information about what users are searching for on the Web is difficult to come by. Nevertheless, a study in 2001 analyzed the queries from the Excite search engine showed some interesting characteristics of web search:
 - The average length of a search query was 2.4 terms.
 - About half of the users entered a single query while a little less than a third of users entered three or more unique queries.
 - Close to half of the users examined only the first one or two pages of results (10 results per page).
 - Less than 5% of users used advanced search features (e.g Boolean Operators like AND, OR, and NOT).
- The top three most frequently used terms were and, of, and sex.



Τύποι Πληροφοριακών Αναγκών Types of Information Needs

In the web context the "need behind the query" is often not informational in nature.
[1] classified web queries according to their intent into 3 classes:

1. **Navigational.** The immediate intent is to reach a particular site.
2. **Informational.** The intent is to acquire some information assumed to be present on one or more web pages.
3. **Transactional.** The intent is to perform some web-mediated activity.

From a user survey and a log analysis

Type of Query	User Survey	Query Log Analysis
Navigational	24%	20%
Informational	39%	48%
Transactional	36%	30%

- **Source:**
 - [1] A. Broder, "A Taxonomy of Web Search",
<http://www.acm.org/sigs/sigir/forum/F2002/broder.pdf>



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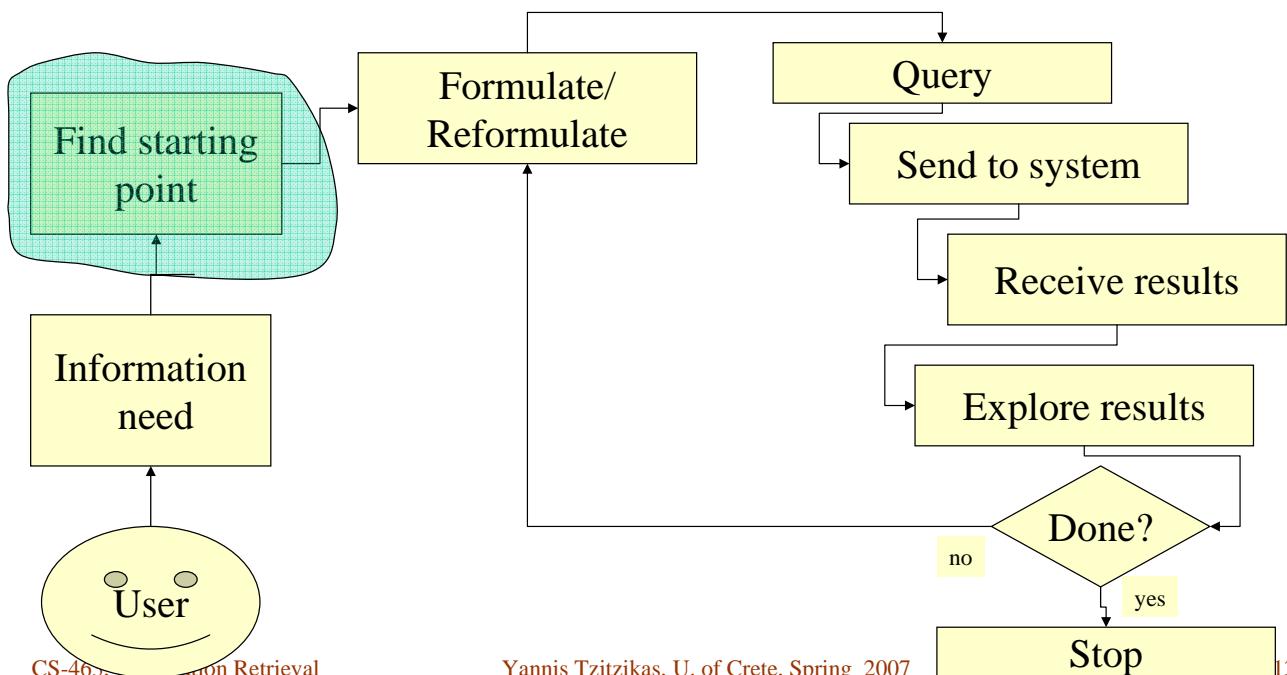
- Need **answer** to question
- **Re-find** a particular document
- **Find** a good recipe for tonight's dinner
- **Exploration** of new area (browse sites about Mexico City)
- **Authoritative summary** of information (HIV review)

In most cases, only one interface!

Current Web searching research tries to *answer the need behind the query.*



Χρήστης και Προσπέλαση Πληροφορίας



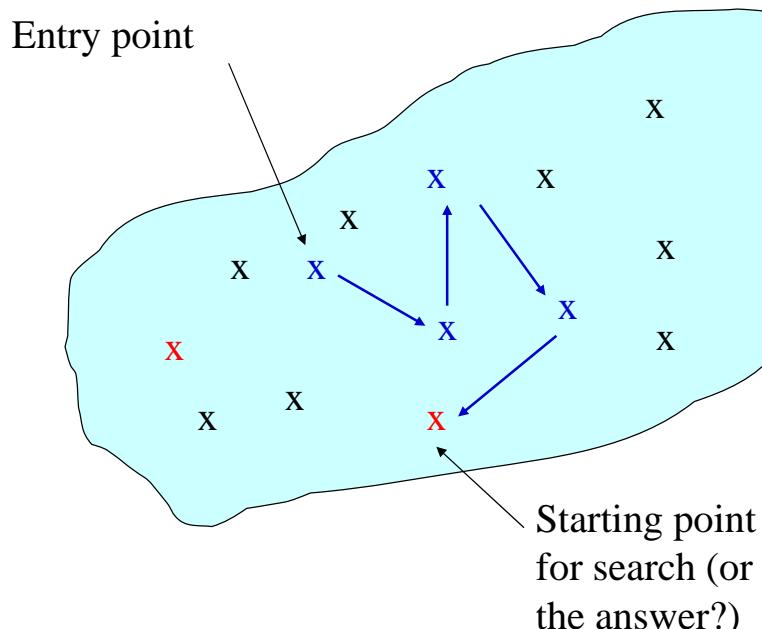


(A) Επαφές Χρήσης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης

- Methods for finding a starting point
 - Select collections from a list
 - Overviews
 - Category Hierarchies
 - Clustering Techniques
 - Co-citation Analysis

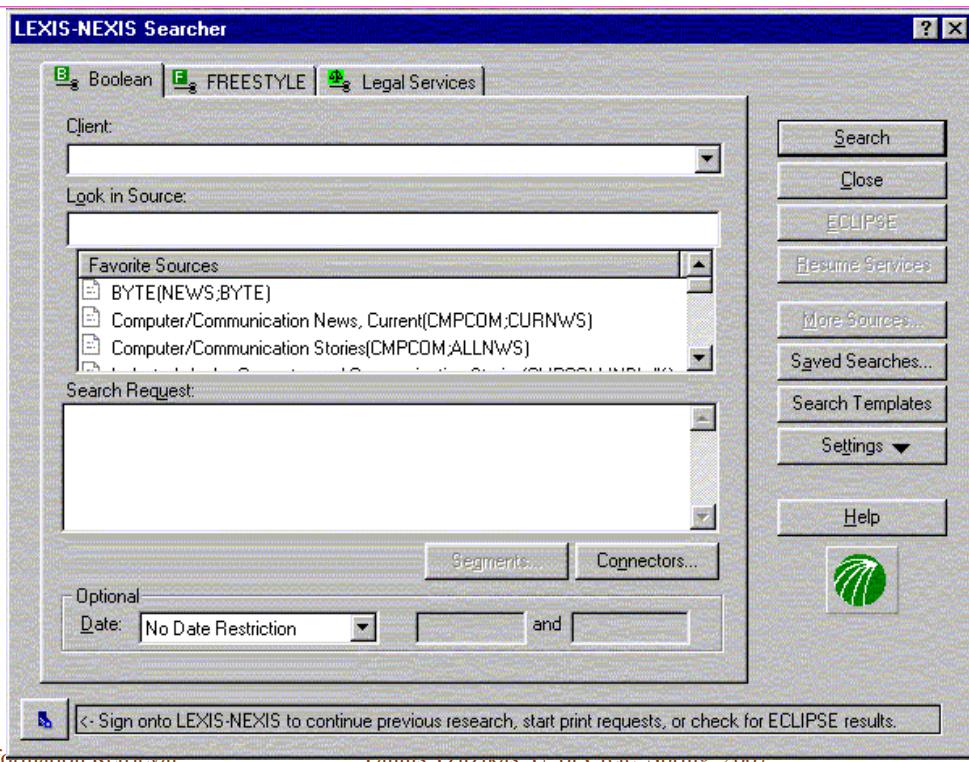


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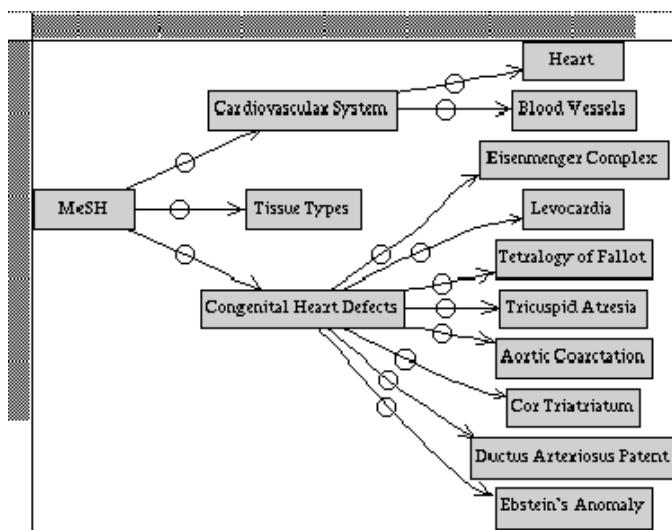


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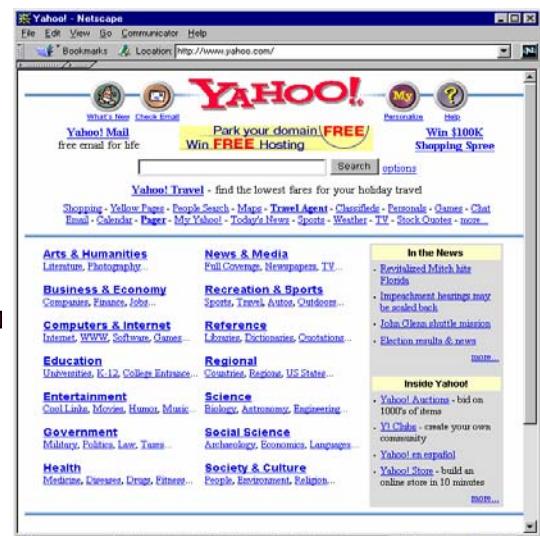
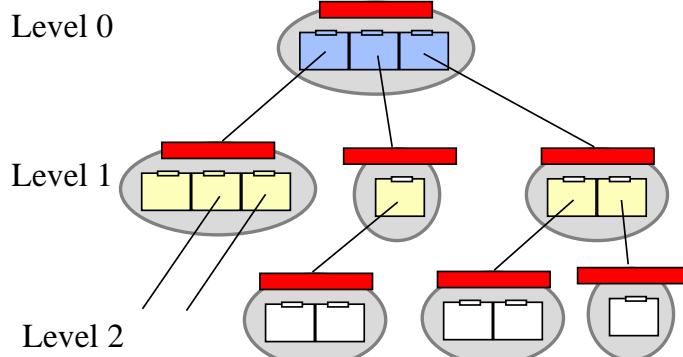
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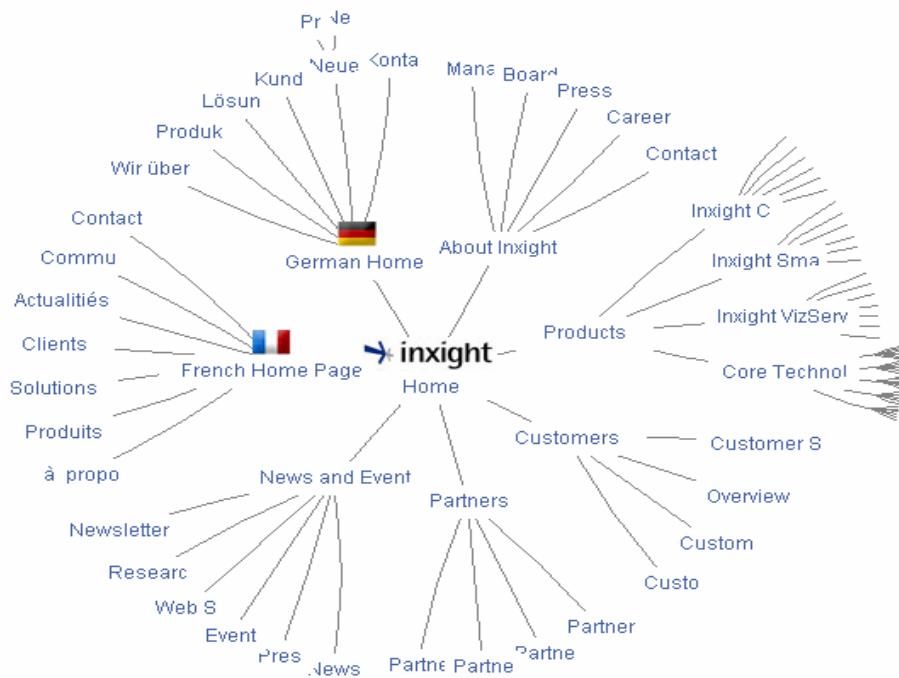


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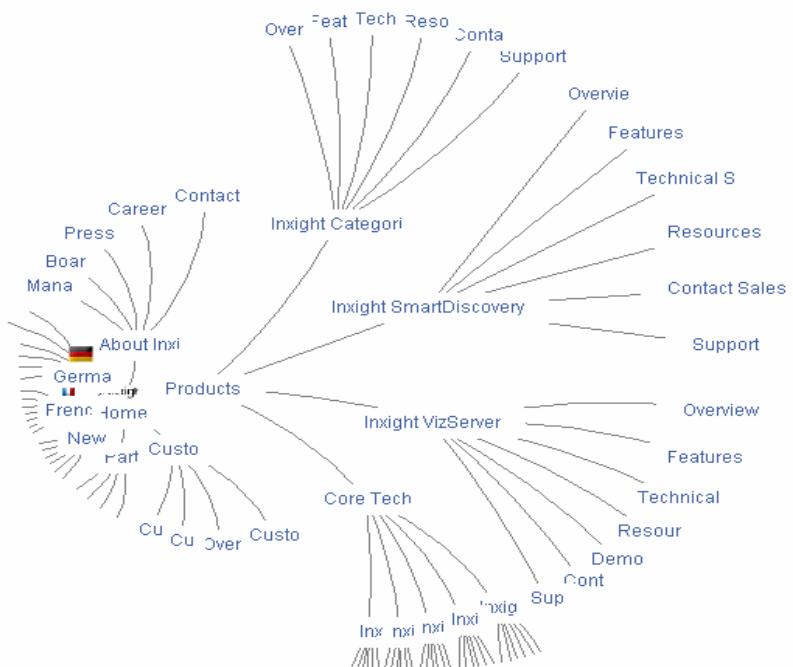




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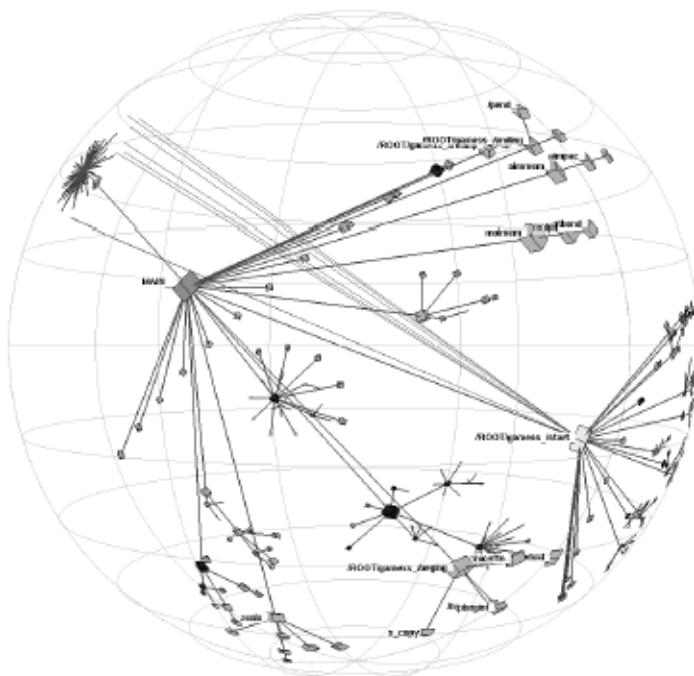


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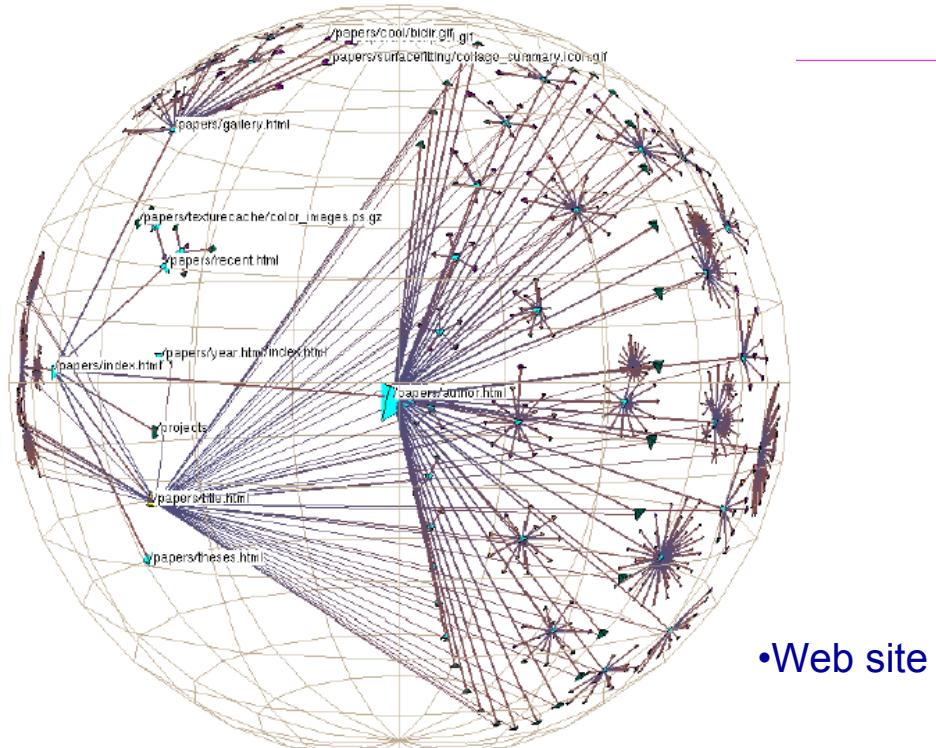
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(A) Επαφές Χρήσης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Overviews>RINGS

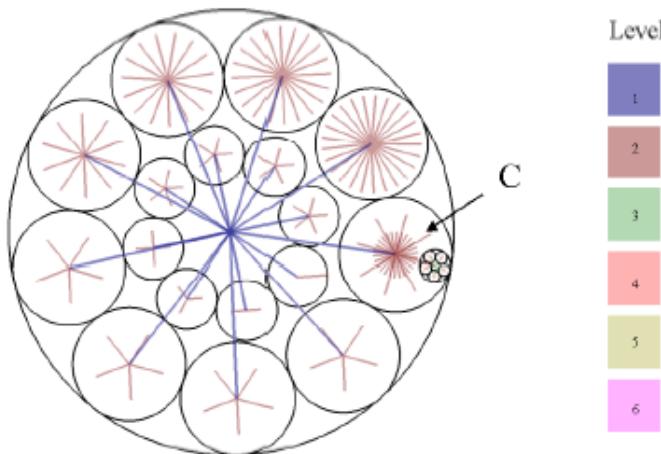
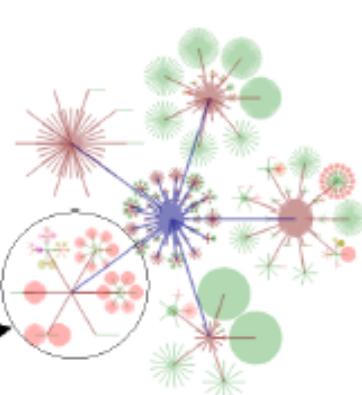
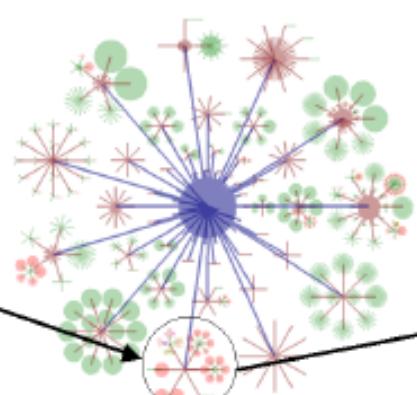
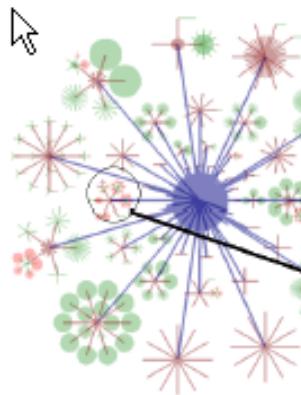


Fig. 2. Each node is placed at the center of its circle, and edges are drawn between each pair of connected nodes. Edges are colored according to their distance from the root. Level 1 edges are those directly connected to the root.

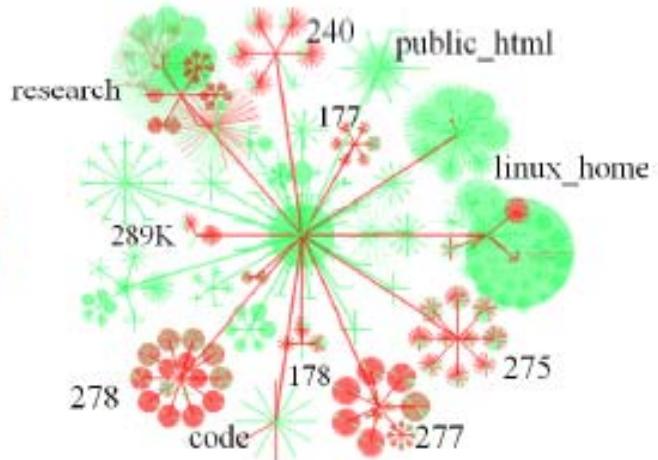
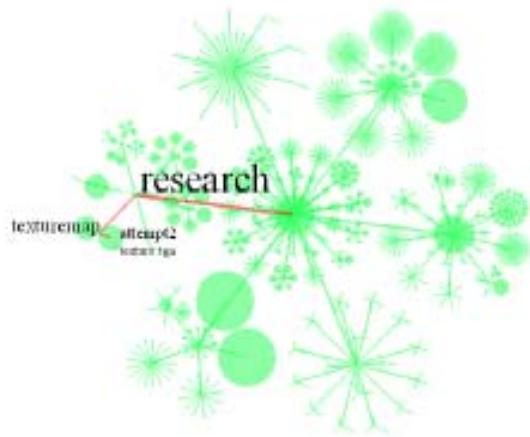


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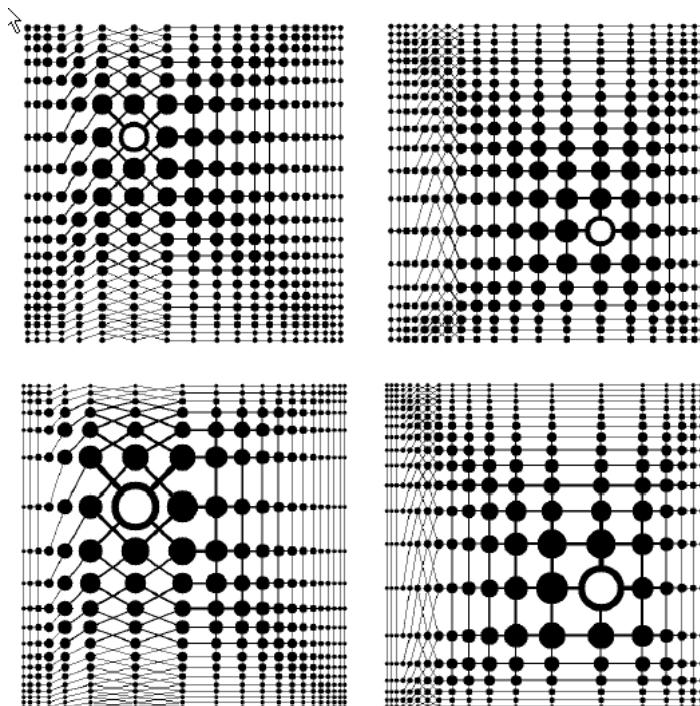




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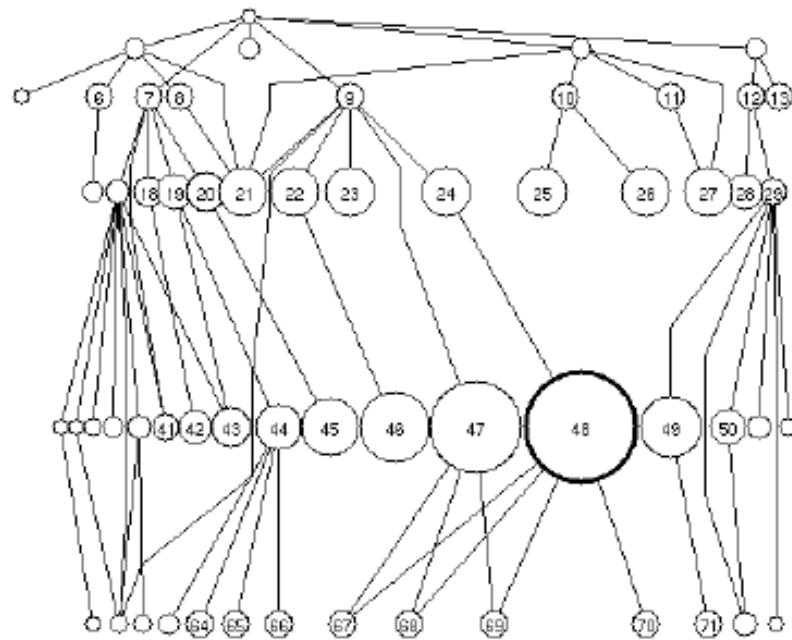


A) Επαφές Χρήσης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Overviews>Fish Eye View





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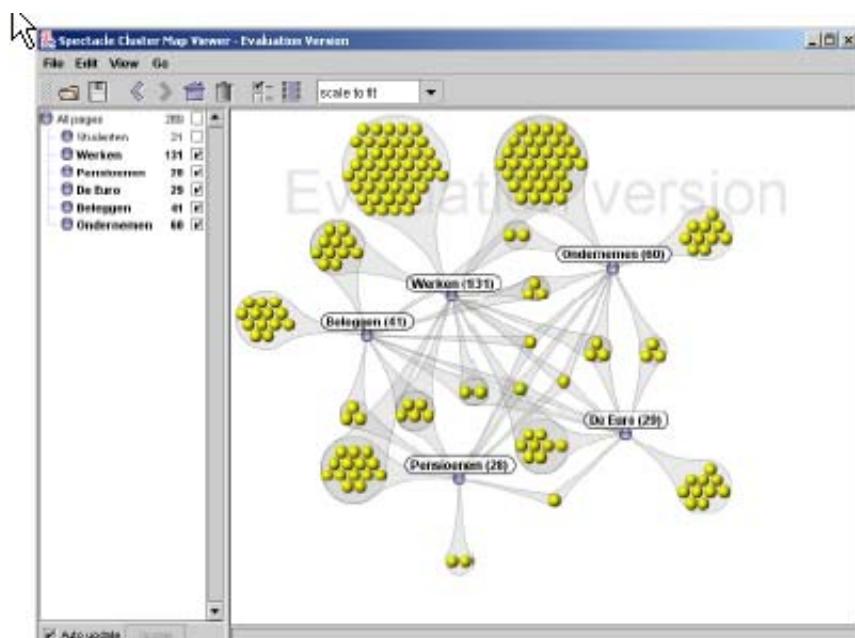


Figure 1: Spectacle



(A) Επαφές Χρήσης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Overviews > Category Hierarchies: HiBrowse

The screenshot shows the HiBrowse interface with three windows:

- physical disease by anatomical structure**: Contains a list of diseases categorized by anatomical structure, such as abdominal disease, abnormal body function, breast disease, cardiovascular disease, connective tissue disease, digestive system disease, ear nose throat disease, endocrine disease, eye disease, head and neck disease, hematologic disease, mouth disease, musculoskeletal disease, neurologic disease, pelvic disease, respiratory tract disease, skin disease, soft tissue disease, thorax disease, and urogenital tract disease.
- therapy**: Contains a list of various therapeutic interventions and treatments.
- child**: Contains a list of terms related to children, including child (in general), brain damaged child, handicapped child, infant, preschool child, and school child.

At the bottom left, it says CS-463 3 view(s). At the bottom right, it says 30.



(A) Επαφές Χρήσης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Automatic overviews: Scatter/Gather (~ Clustering)

Scatter/Gather browsing paradigm:

- Allows the user to find a set of documents of interest through browsing.
- It iterates:
 - **Scatter**: Take the collection and scatter it into n **clusters**.
 - **Gather**: Pick the clusters of interest and **merge** them



A) Επαφές Χρήστης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Automatic overviews: Scatter/Gather

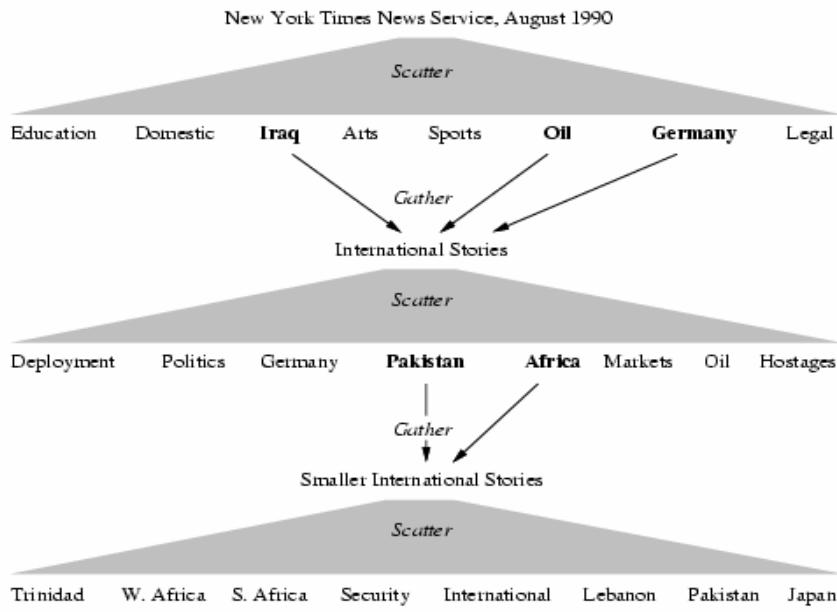
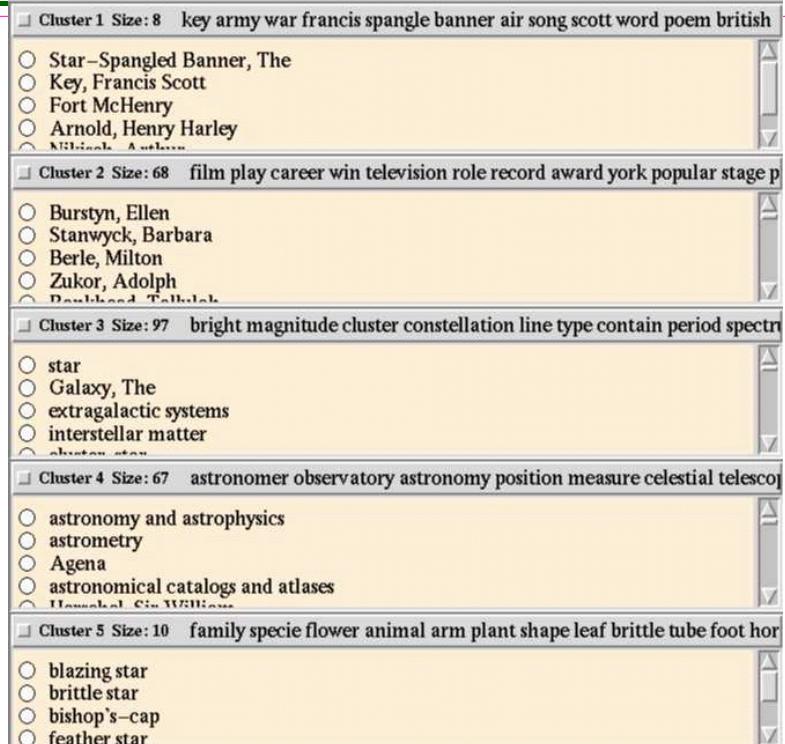


Figure 1: Illustration of Scatter/Gather

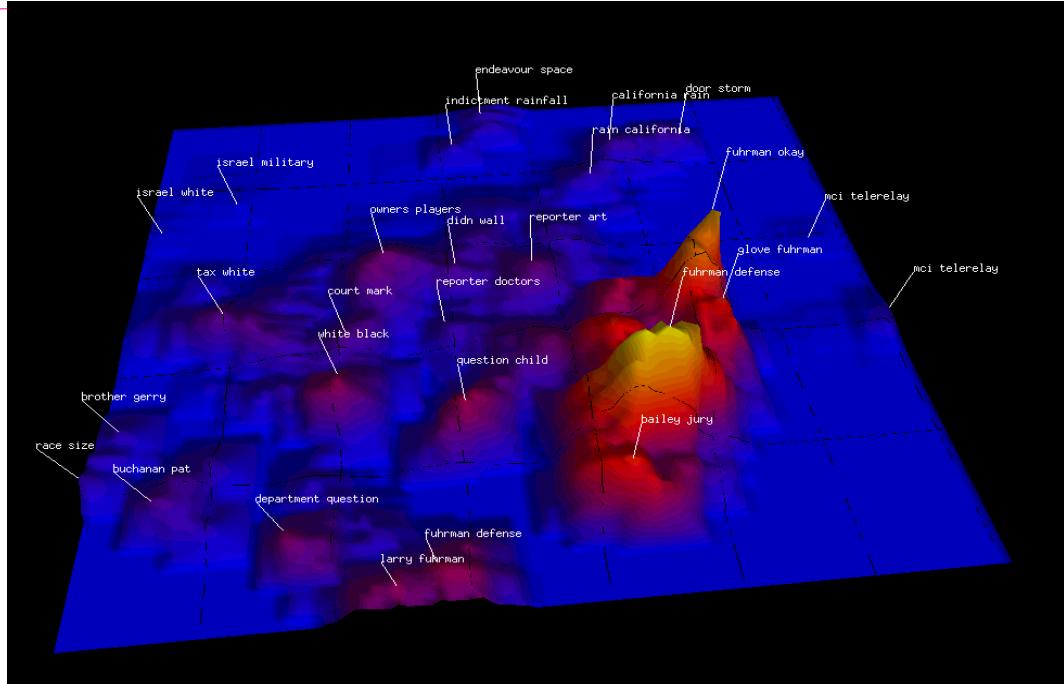


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A) Επαφές Χρήστης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Automatic overviews: Themescape



Three-dimensional overview based on clustering

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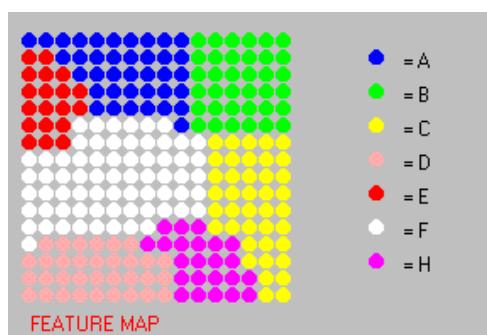
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A) Επαφές Χρήστης για Σημεία Εκκίνησης Automatic overviews: Kohonen's feature map

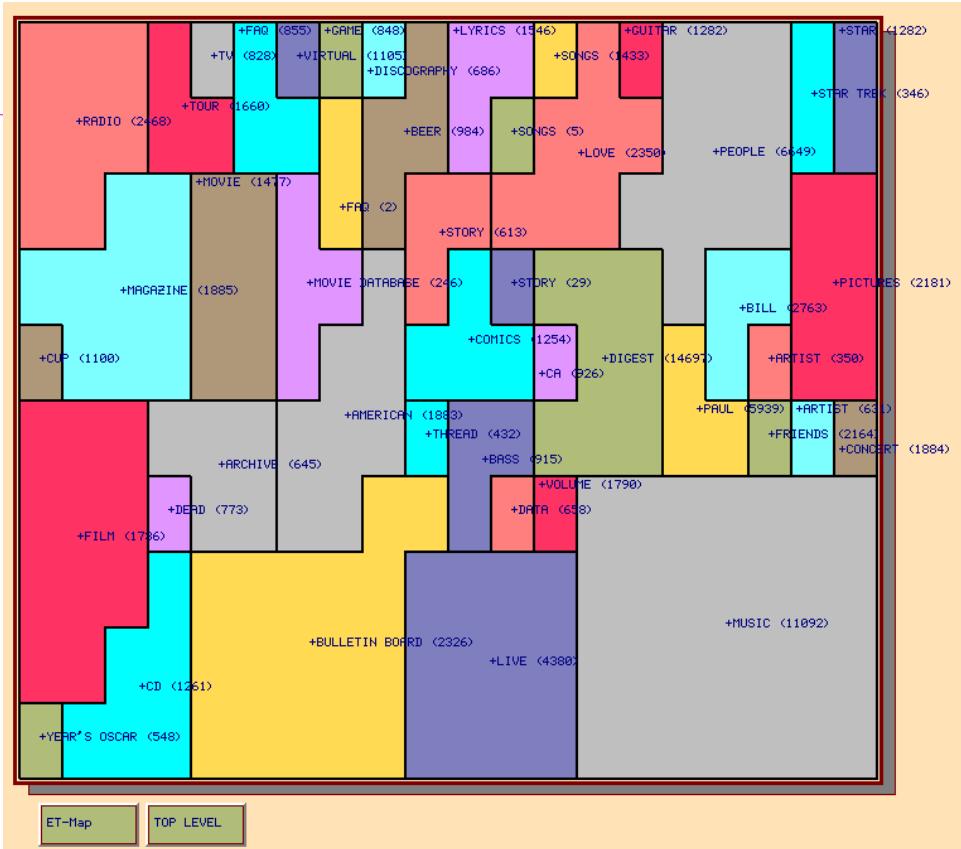
- Algorithm for creating maps that graphically characterize the overall content of a document collection
 - the regions of the 2D map vary in size and shape corresponding to how frequently documents assigned to the corresponding themes occur within the collection
 - Regions are characterized by single words or phrases
 - adjacency of regions reflects semantic relatedness of the themes



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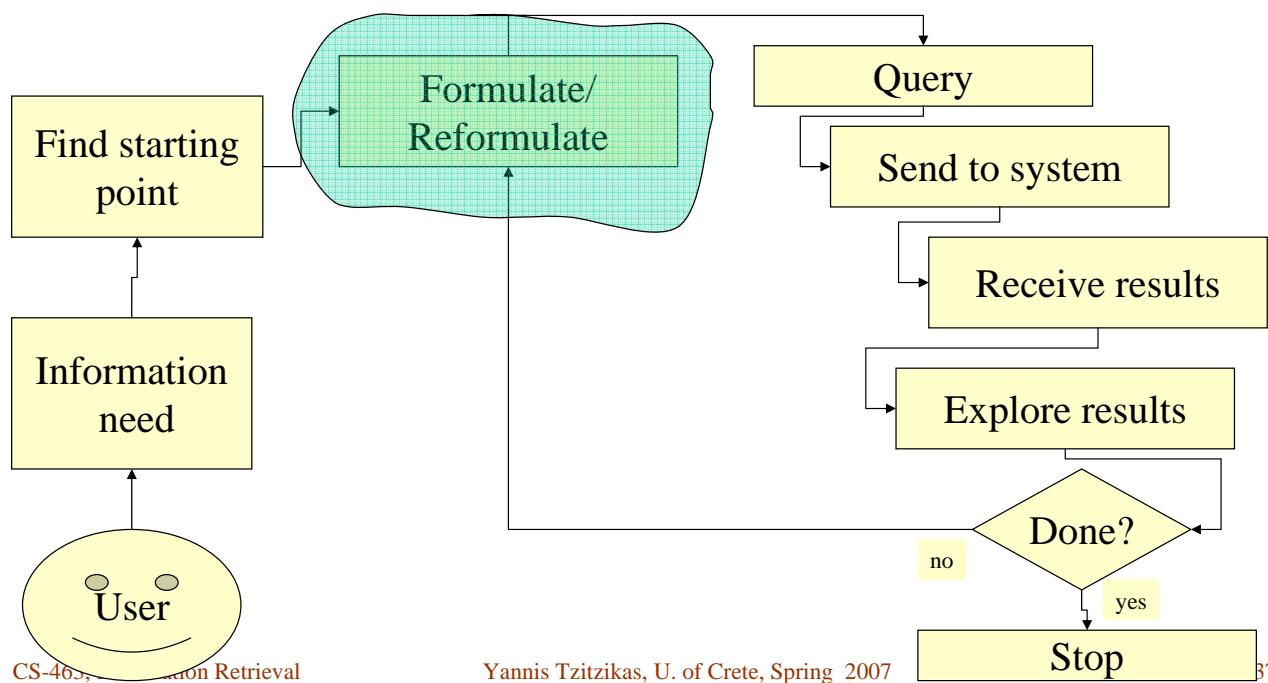
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(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων



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Browsing vs. Searching

- Browsing and searching are often interleaved.
- Information need dependent
 - Open-ended (find information about mexico city) -> browsing
 - Specific (who won the superbowl) -> searching
- Compare to physical world
 - Browsing vs. searching in a grocery store
- User dependent
 - Some users prefer searching, others browsing (confirmed in many studies: some hate to type)
 - Advantage of browsing: You don't need to know the vocabulary of the collection
- Browsers vs. Searchers
 - 1/3 of users do not search at all
 - 1/3 rarely search (or urls only)
 - Only 1/3 understand the concept of search



Boolean Queries

- Boolean logic is difficult for the average user.
- Some interfaces for average users support formulation of boolean queries
- Current view is that non-expert users are best served with non-boolean or simple +/- boolean (pioneered by altavista).
- But boolean queries are the standard for certain groups of expert users (eg, lawyers).



(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων

Types of Interface:

- **Command line**
 - Single text box (google)
- **Form fillin**
- **Parametric Search**
- **Menu selection**
- **Direct manipulation**
 - continuous representation of the object of interest
 - physical actions or buttons presses instead of complex syntax
 - rapid incremental reversible operations whose impact on the object of interest is immediately visible
- **Natural Language**



(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Με Συμπλήρωση Φορμών

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Melvyl system search interface. The URL in the address bar is <http://192.35.215.185/mw/mwcgi/home>. The page title is "Author Search: Current Contents database". The search form includes fields for "Author" (swanson, d.), "Another Author" (and dropdown, wilson, r.), "Journal Title" (and dropdown, daedalus or jama), and "Location" (and dropdown, UC Berkeley (all libraries)). There are also options for "Database: Current Contents" and "Personal Profile: Off". Below the form, there are buttons for "Submit Search" and "Back". At the bottom, there is a footer with the text: "Send questions, comments, or suggestions to melvyl@www.melvyl.ucop.edu" and "Melvyl® is a registered trademark of The Regents of the University of California".



(B) Επαφές Χρήσης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Με Συμπλήρωση Φορμών

Credit: Marti Hearst

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(B) Επαφές Χρήσης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Parametric search

- Each document has, in addition to text, some “meta-data” e.g., Make, Model, City, Color
- A parametric search interface allows the user to combine a full-text query with selections on these parameters

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(B) Επαφές Χρήσης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Parametric search

CarFinder.com

Over one million fictional vehicles to choose from!

Choose your search criteria from the drop down menus:

Number of results to display: 50

Make	BMW	Model	5-Series	Category	Any	Year	All
City	San Francisco	Color	Any	Price	From \$10,100 to \$15,000		



Reset Filters

Reset Sorts

Notice that the output is a (large) table.
Various parameters in the table (column
headings) may be clicked on to effect a sort.

Make	Model	Year	City	Mileage	Price	Category	Description	Color
BMW	5-Series	1995	San Francisco	16100	11100	Luxury	Never driven in winter conditions. Body work makes it look like new. Keyless entry and security features. This is a bargain.	Silver
BMW	5-Series	1995	San Francisco	16600	11100	Luxury	Great first car for your teen-aged kid. Solid, dependable, affordable with 0% down and owner financing.	Blue
BMW	5-Series	1995	San Francisco	16800	11200	Luxury	Upgraded sound system really rocks. Customized interior features wood grain dash and beige leather seats. Power locks, windows, steering. Price firm.	White
BMW	5-Series	1995	San Francisco	16100	11300	Luxury	Safe choice for a young family: ABS, driver and passenger air bags. Roomy interior with power everything. Low mileage driving kids back and forth to soccer.	Maroon
BMW	5-Series	1995	San Francisco	16300	11400	Luxury	This baby's got it all: power steering, cruise, power locks, power windows, remote entry, leather interior, security alarm, AM/FM/CD/Cassette. Priced to sell!	Brown



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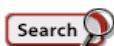
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Make	BMW	Model	5-Series	Category	Any	Year	1997
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Clear Form

Reset Filters

Reset Sorts

We can add text search.

Make	Model	Year	City	Mileage	Price	Category	Description	Color
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	14300	13100	Luxury	5-speed, heavy-duty suspension, extra wide tires. Well-maintained by mechanic-owner. Cloth seats and upgraded stereo system.	White
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	14600	13100	Luxury	Is that price for real? You bet it is. Fully loaded with all factory options. Former floor model.	Beige
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	14900	13100	Luxury	Fun to drive. Manual 5-speed transmission, turbo charger. Garaged all winter and pampered the rest of the year. This is a steal!	Orange
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	14800	13200	Luxury	Fully loaded, automatic transmission. Power everything. Anti-lock brakes and full safety features. Must test drive. Price firm.	Green
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	14300	13200	Luxury	Formerly an executive's vehicle. Interior has been professionally maintained, engine factory serviced every 3000 miles. Great gas mileage. Price negotiable.	Maroon
BMW	5-Series	1997	San Francisco	15000	13200	Luxury	Sun roof, air, CD player, driver side air bag. 10% deposit required. Owner financing available. Best offer by end of weekend buys it.	Red



(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Menu-based Interface for Faceted Boolean Queries

Domenicus [Tzitzikas & Theodorakis, Hypertext'96]:

Τρόπος συνδυασμού των
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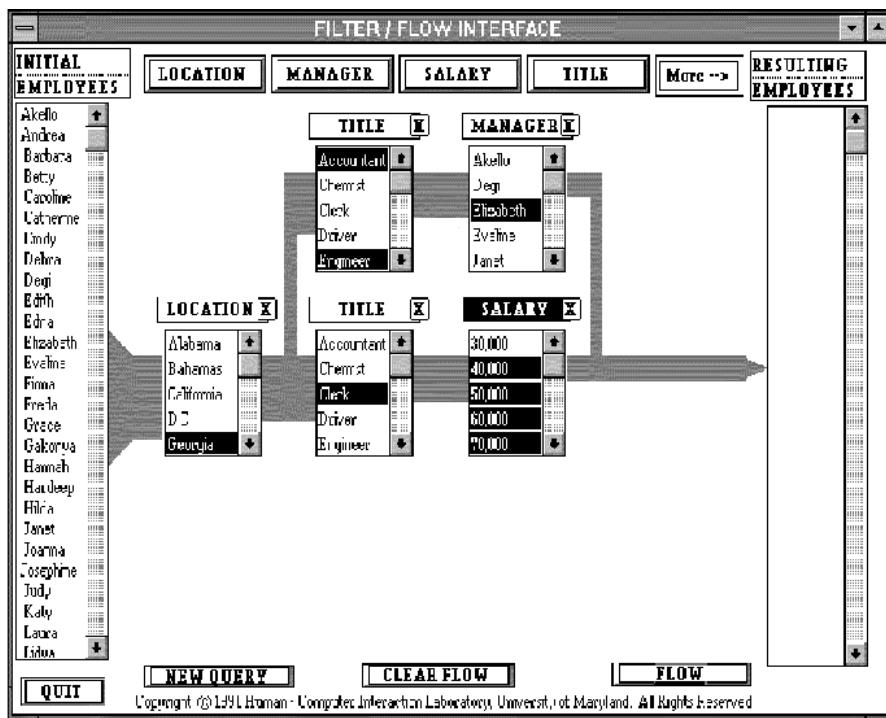
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(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Direct Manipulation (Filter flow visualization)



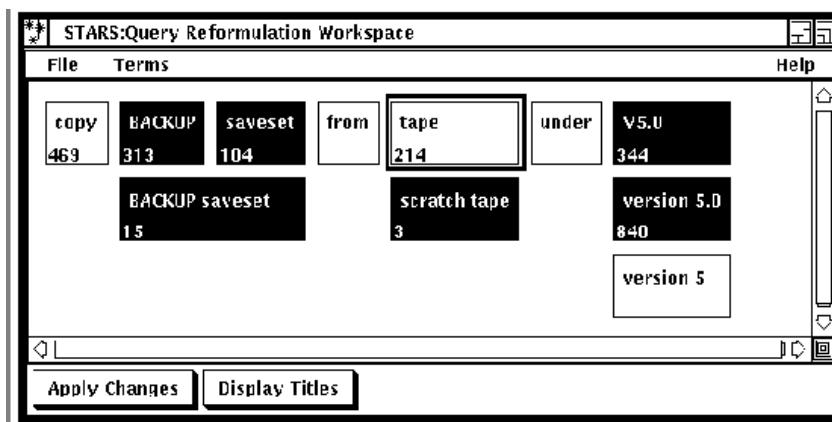
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(B) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Direct Manipulation (Block oriented diagram)



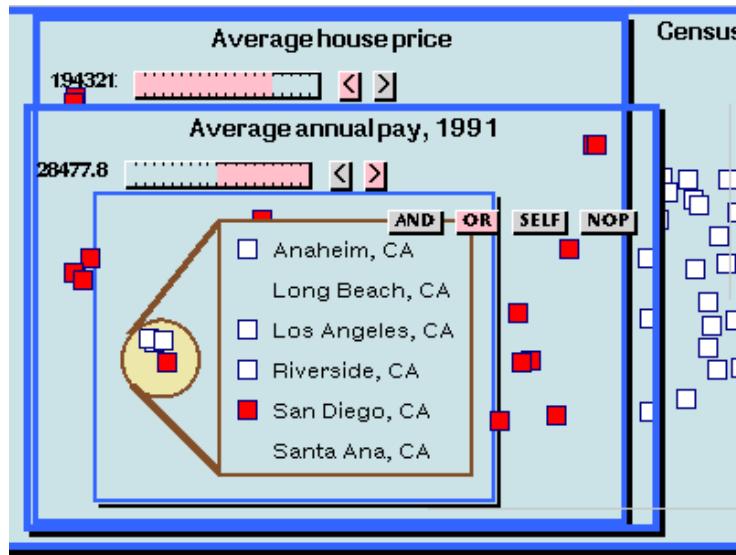
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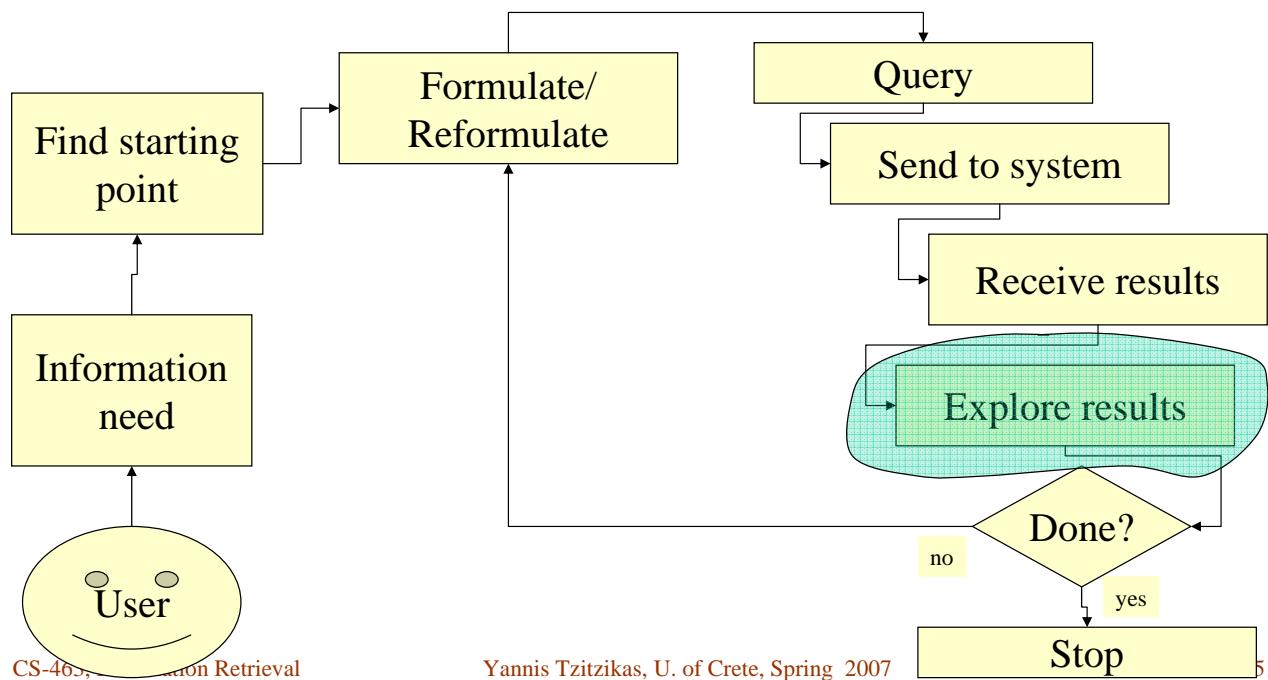
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(Β) Επαφές Χρήστης για Διατύπωση Επερωτήσεων: Direct Manipulation (Magic Lens)



(Γ) Επαφές Χρήστης για: Viewing Results in Context





(Γ) Επαφές Χρήστης για: Viewing Results in Context

User Goal: Do these results answer my question?

Methods:

- **Document Surrogates**
 - Metadata: URL, date, file size, author, Category labels
 - Summarization (?)
- **Query Term Hits Within Document Content**
 - KWIC (Keyword in Context), TileBars, SeeSoft
- **Query Term Hits Between Documents**
 - InfoCrystal, VIBE and Lyberworld, Lattices
- **SuperBook: Context via Table of Contents**
- **Categories for Results Set Context**
- **Use of Hyperlinks**
 - Cha-Cha
 - Mapuccino: Graphical Depiction of Link Structure
 - Tables



Γ) Viewing Results in Context Document Surrogates and KWIC

Surrogate

Google™ Ιστός Στοκούς Ομάδες Κατασκούς Alan Turing Αναζήτηση Σύνθετη Ανωνύμηση Προστασία Ελλήνων Αναζήτηση: στον ιστό σελίδες γραμμένες στα Ελληνικά σελίδες από Ελλάδα

Ιστός Αποτελέσματα 1 - 10 από περίπου 458.000 για **Alan Turing**. (0.29 δευτερόλεπτα)

[Alan Turing - Home Page](#)
Alan Turing Home Page. Guide to a large website maintained by Andrew Hodges, biographer of Alan Turing (1912-1954)
www.turing.org.uk/turing/ - 18k - Αποθηκευμένη Σελίδα - Παρόμοιες σελίδες

[Alan Turing](#)
Welcome to the domain of www.turing.org.uk maintained by Andrew Hodges.
www.turing.org.uk/ - 11k - Αποθηκευμένη Σελίδα - Παρόμοιες σελίδες
[Περισσότερα αποτελέσματα από το www.turing.org.uk]

[Alan Turing](#)
Biography from the MacTutor History of Mathematics archive.
www-groups.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/Mathematicians/Turing.html - 28k -

KWIC



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Document Surrogates and Category Labels

Terry Winograd

Terry Winograd. Professor ...
Informatica . Publications. Books: **Terry Winograd**, Understanding Natural Language, Academic Press, 1972. ...
Description: **Terry Winograd** is one of the foreground figures in research into human/computer interaction and natural...
Category: Computers > History > Pioneers
hci.stanford.edu/~winograd/ - 5k - Nov 1, 2003 - Cached - Similar pages

- Example:
 - ODP categories on google
- Advantages:
 - Interpretable
 - Capture summary information
 - Describe multiple facets of content
 - Domain dependent, and so descriptive
- Disadvantages:
 - Domain dependent, so costly to acquire
 - May mis-match users' interests



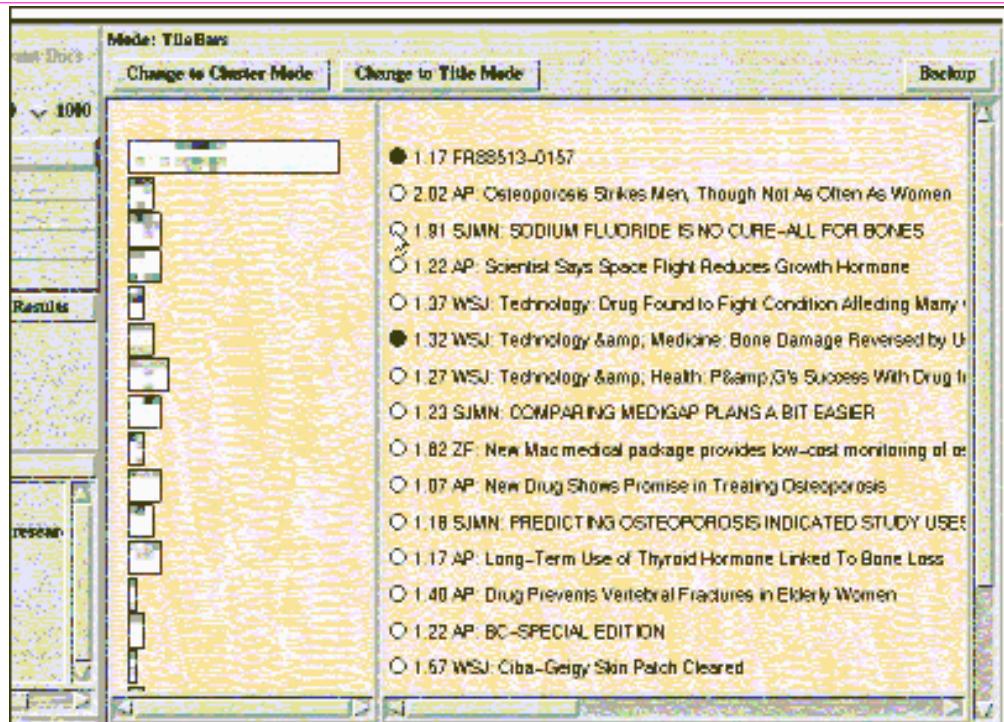
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Document Surrogates and TileBars

- The user enters a query in a faceted format, with one topic per line.
- A graphical bar is displayed next to the title of each document showing the degree of match for each facet.
 - Bar size: relevance
 - Bar **rows**: one row per term (query facet)
 - Bar **columns**: one per text passage
 - Bar **color**: number of hits (the darker the square the greater the number of hits)
- TileBars thus illustrate at a glance which passages in each article contain which topics - and moreover, how frequently each topic is mentioned (darker squares represent more frequent matches).



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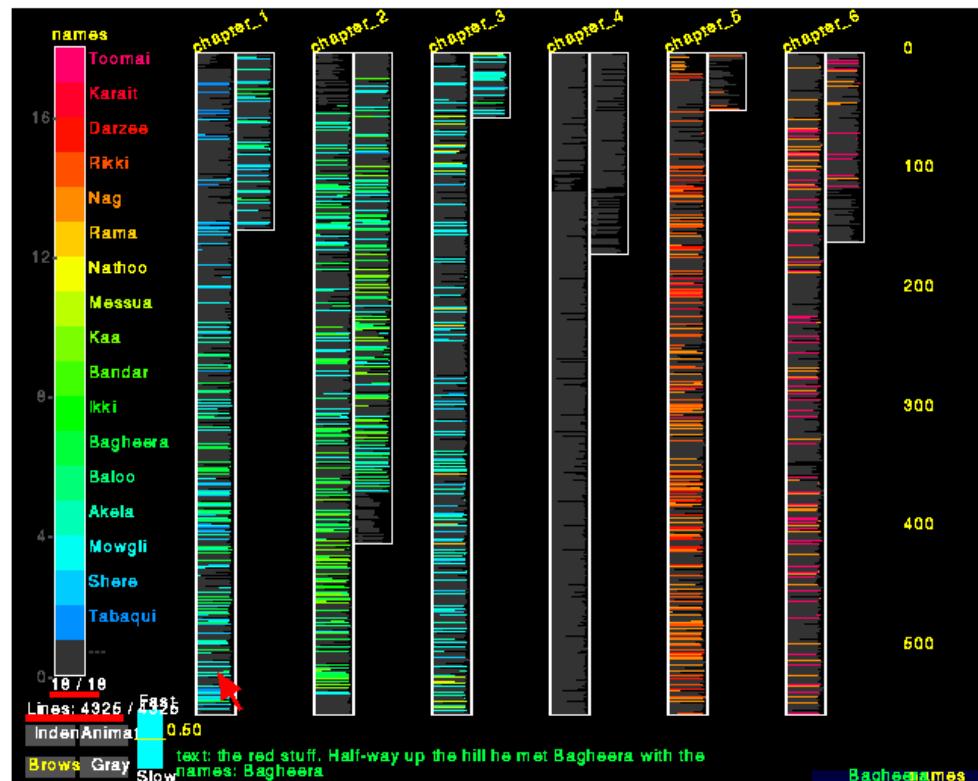
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Brows Gray Slow text: the red stuff. Half-way up the hill he met Bagheera with the names: Bagheera

Bagheera names

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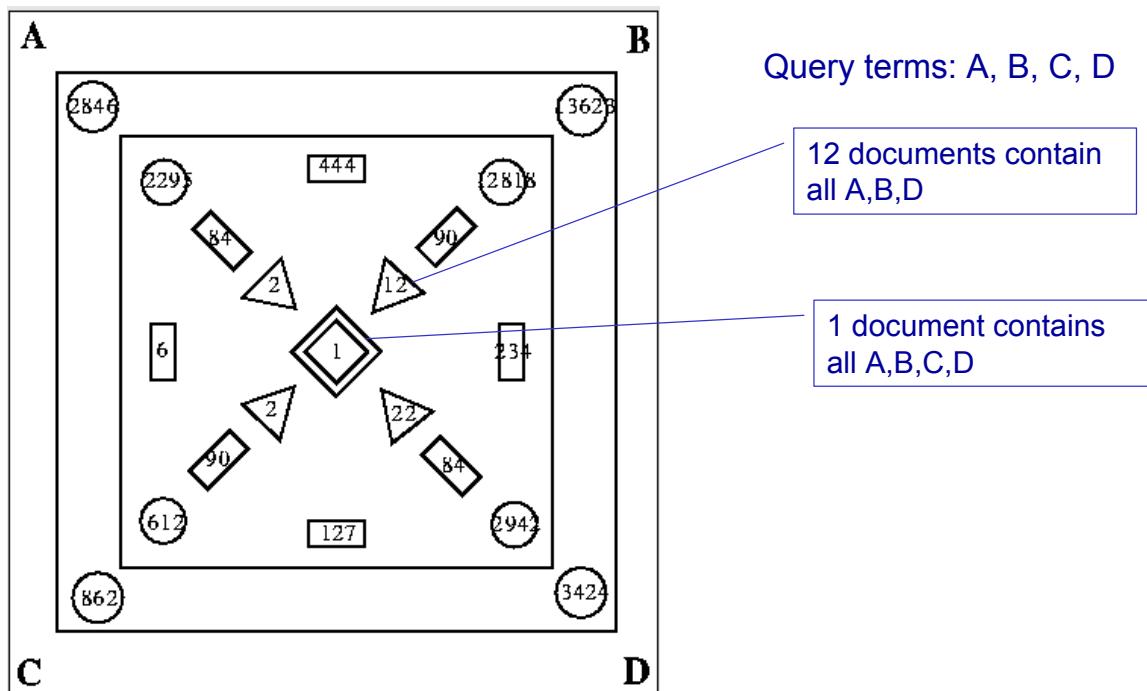
Query Term Hits Between Documents

- **Idea:**
 - Rather than showing how query terms appear within individual documents, as is done in KWIC interfaces and TileBars, these systems display an overview or summary of the retrieved documents according to which subset of query terms they contain.
- **Examples:**
 - InfoCrystal, VIBE and Lyberworld



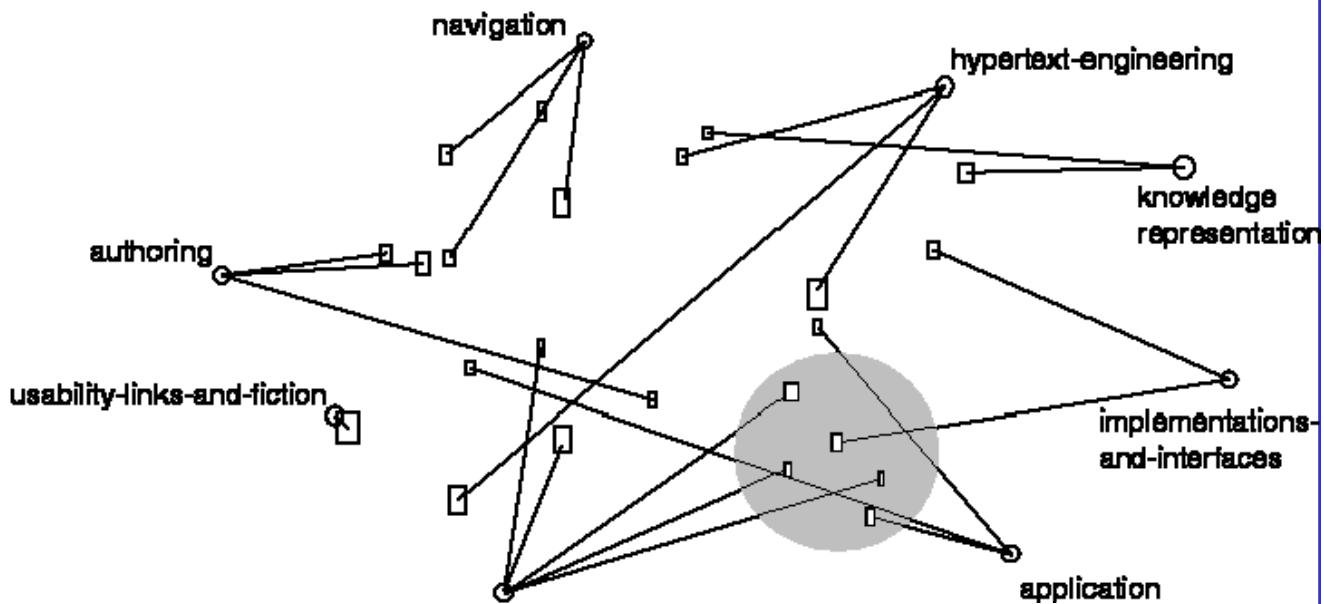
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Query Term Hits Between Documents: InfoCrystal





(Γ) Viewing Results in Context Query Term Hits Between Documents: VIBE



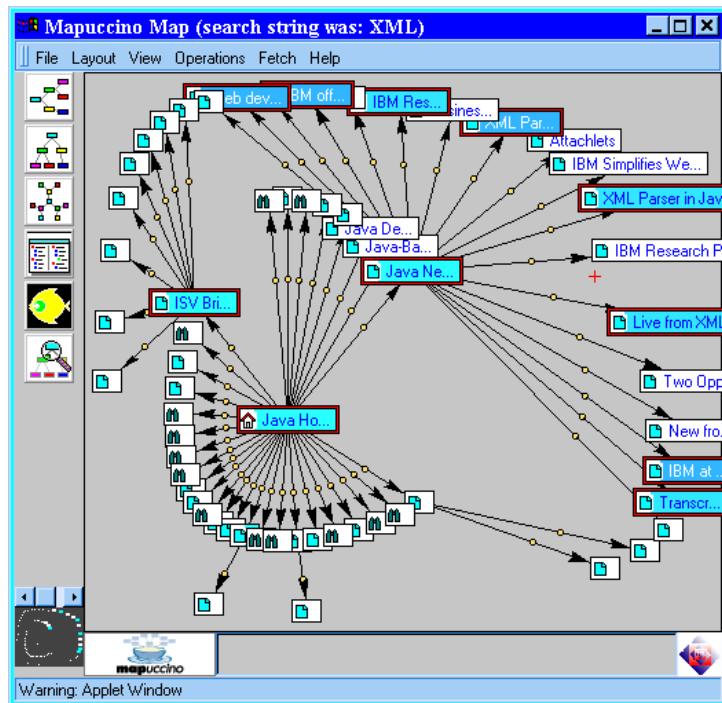
(Γ) Viewing Results in Context Clustering of Results (Vivisimo)

The screenshot shows the Vivisimo clustering interface. The left sidebar displays a tree view of clusters: Information Retrieval (250), Software (30), Information Retrieval System (26), Processing, Natural Language (16), Research Group (16), Book (15), SIGIR (11), Program, Databases (12), Computing (13), Management, Information Retrieval (9), and Information Retrieval Group. The main panel shows the 'Cluster Information Retrieval Group' containing 7 documents:

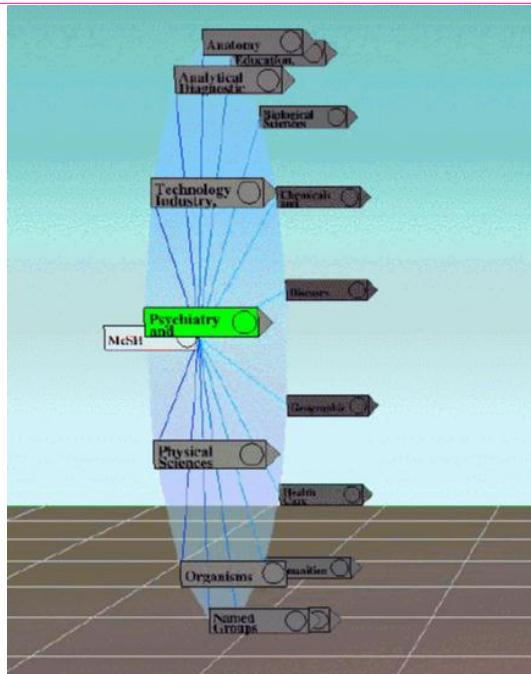
1. [Glasgow Information Retrieval Group](#) [new window] [frame] [preview]
The Information Retrieval Group Congratulations to Prof. Keith van Rijsbergen, who has recently organising the Information Retrieval in Context Workshop at SIGIR 2004 ...
URL: ir.dcs.gla.ac.uk · show in clusters
Sources: MSN 1
2. [\(UK\) University of Sheffield Information Retrieval Group](#) [new window] [frame] [preview]
The primary research areas of the group include statistical information retrieval techniques, multi retrieval, and personal information management and retrieval.
URL: ir.shef.ac.uk · show in clusters
Sources: Open Directory 8
3. [The Glasgow Information Retrieval Group](#) [new window] [frame] [preview]
Has a research program aimed at giving better access to multi-media information.
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Sources: Open Directory 14
4. [Retrieval Group Homepage](#) [new window] [frame] [preview]
... The Retrieval Group of the Information Access Division works with industry ... support specific sub-tasks such as cross-language retrieval and multimedia retrieval ...
URL: www-nplir.nist.gov · show in clusters
Sources: MSN 32
5. [Library and Information Science > Information Retrieval in the Yahoo! Directory](#) [new wind]
Yahoo! reviewed these sites and found them related to Library and Information Science > Information of Glasgow - Information Retrieval Group - information on the resources and people in the Glas



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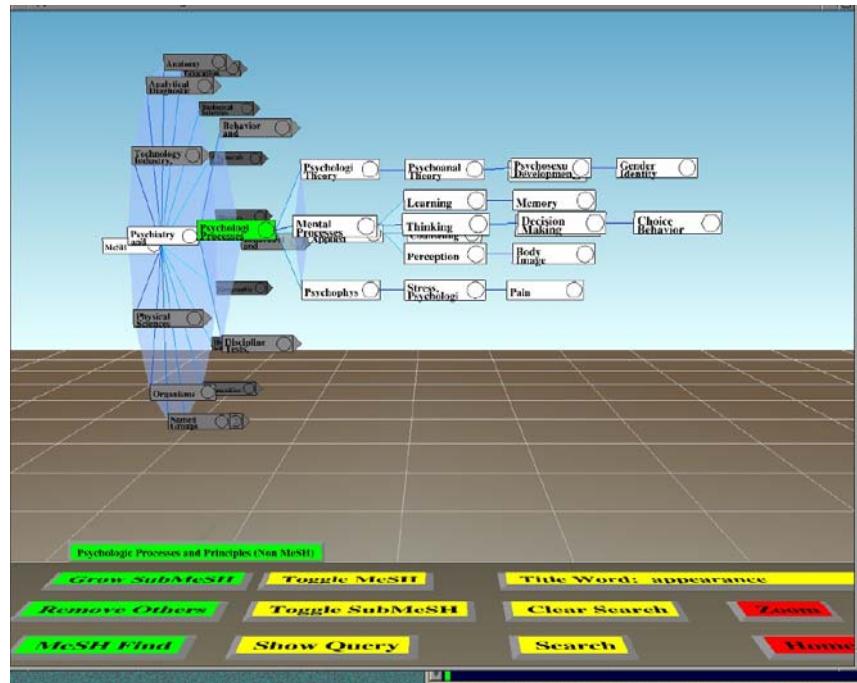
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•The top-level representation of the MeSH hierarchy as a search starting point.



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The expansion of the *Psychiatry* subtree.

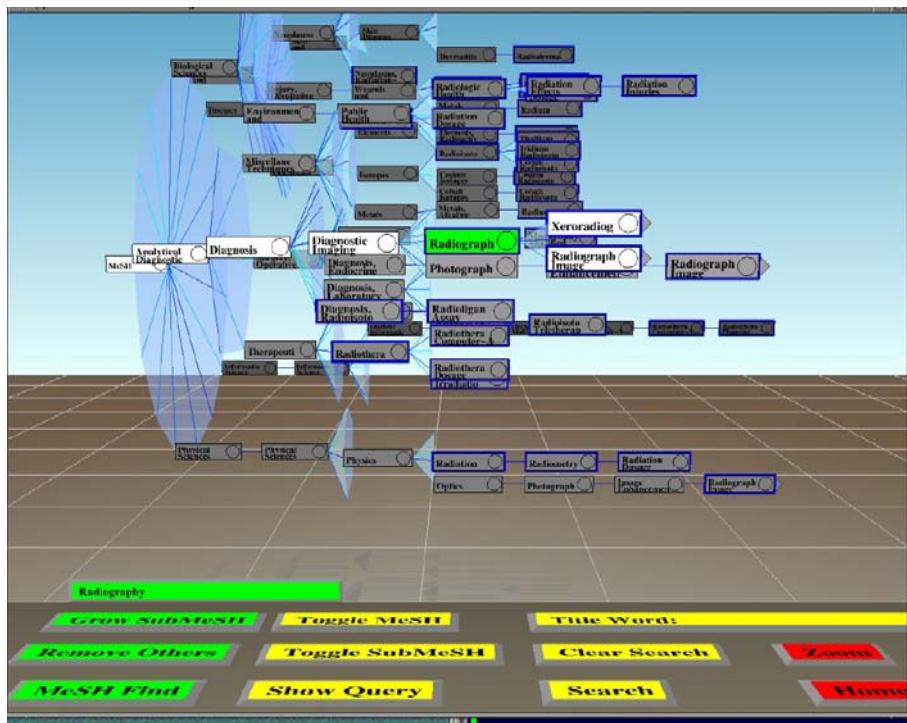
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The results of a search over MeSH labels on "radi*". In this subcollection the term occurs under four main headings. Partial matches are shown.

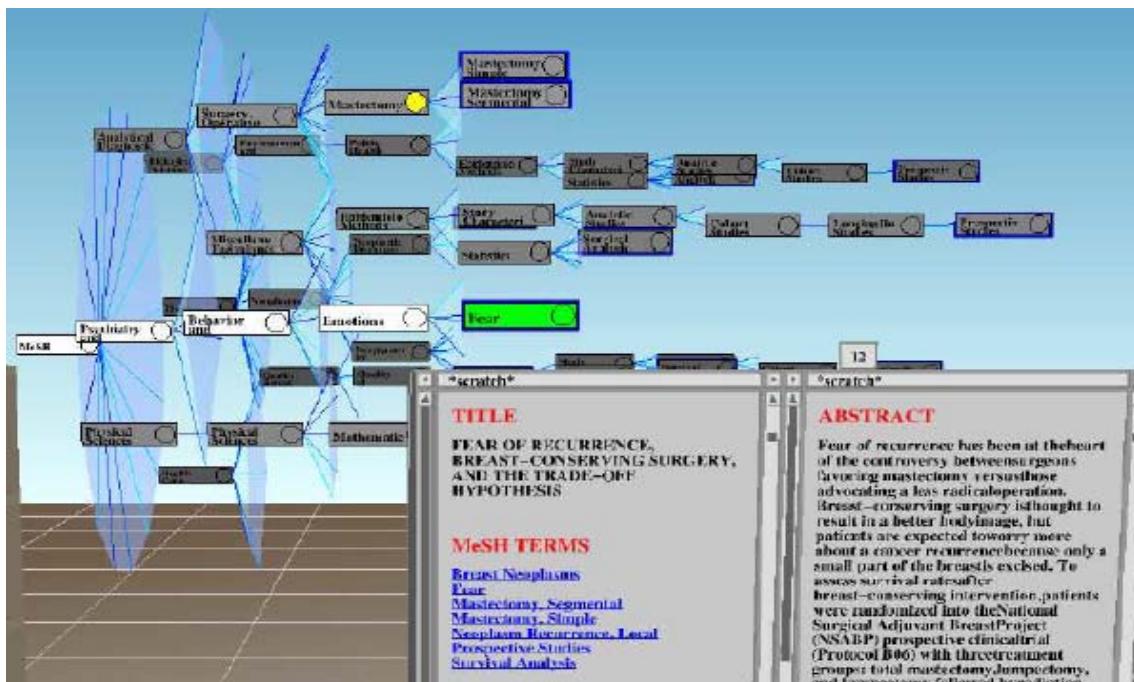
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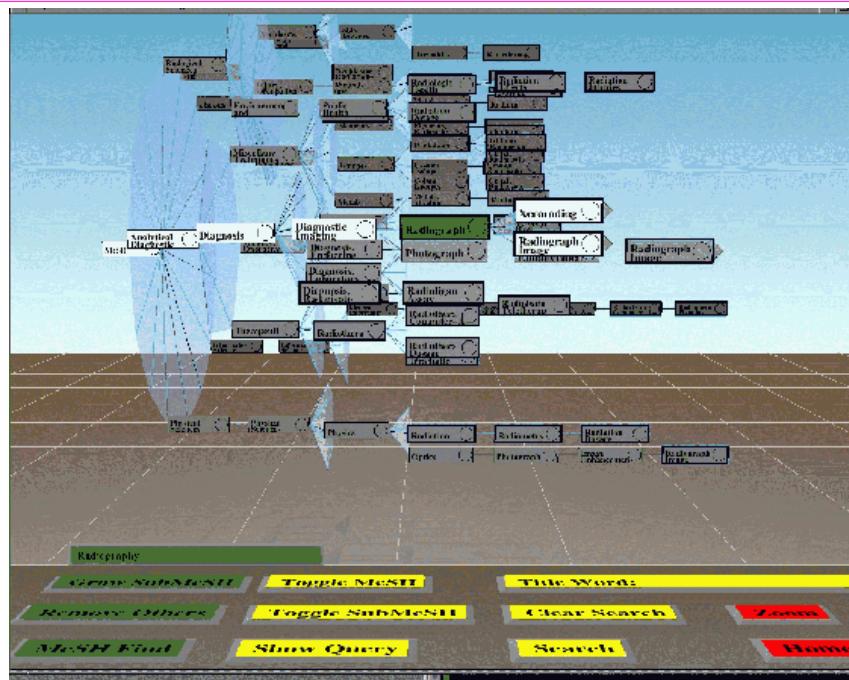
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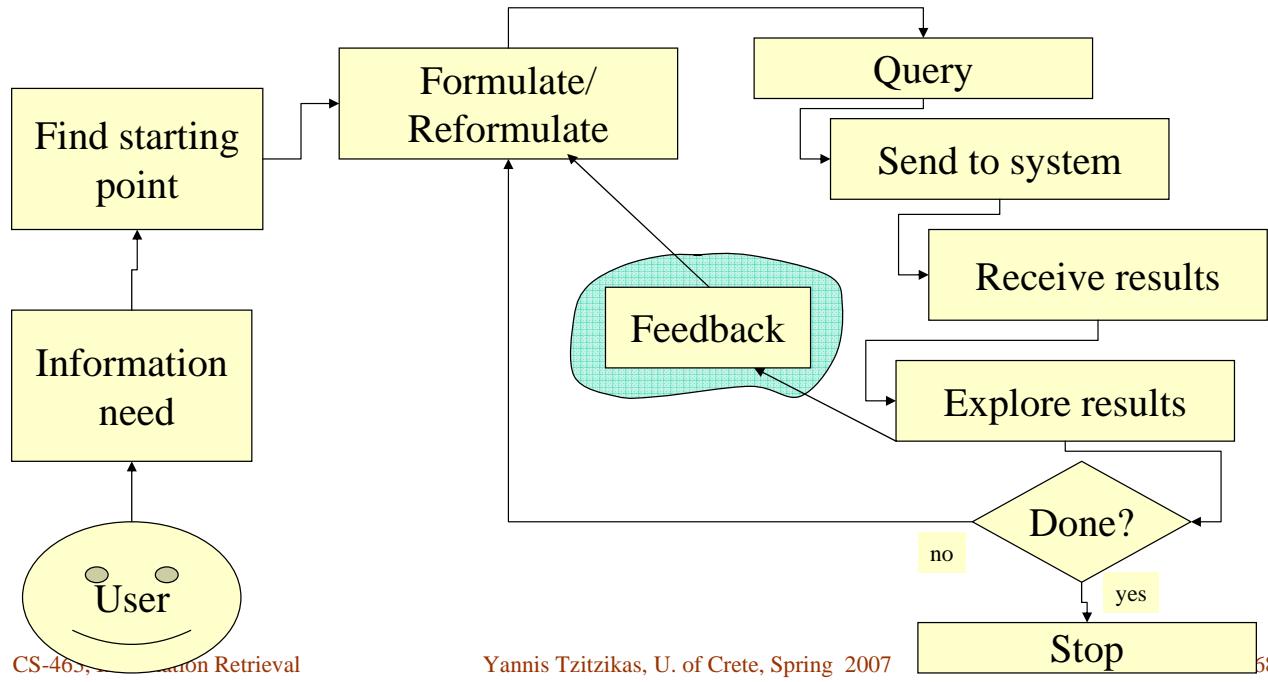
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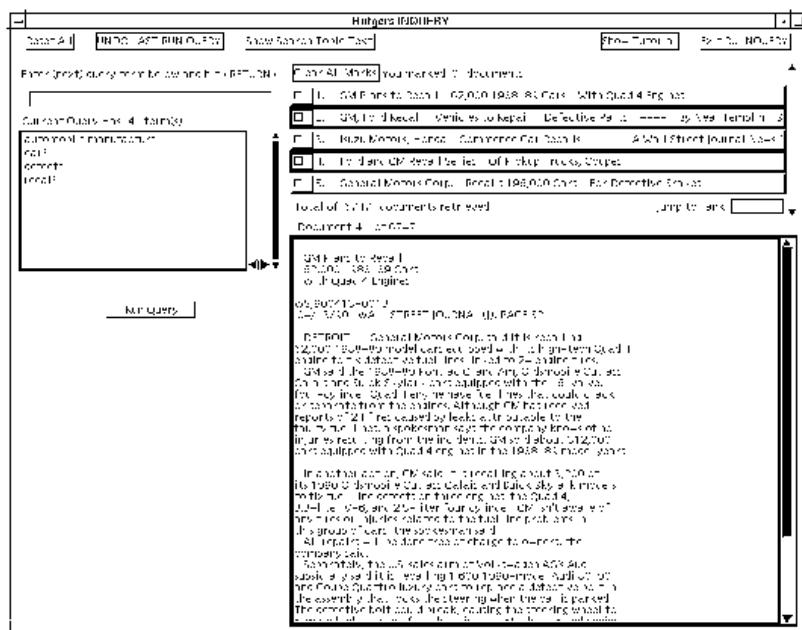
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New Page 1 - Netscape

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Home Browsing and ...

http://nayana.ece.ucsb.edu/i

Shopping related 607,000 images are indexed and classified in the database
Only One keyword is allowed!!!

bike

Designed by [Baris Sumengen](#) and [Shawn Newsam](#)

Powered by JЛАMP2000 (Java, Linux, Apache, Mysql, Perl, Windows2000)

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Browse Search Prev Next Random

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(144483, 264644) 0.0 0.0 0.0	(144483, 265153) 0.0 0.0 0.0	(144518, 257752) 0.0 0.0 0.0	(144538, 525937) 0.0 0.0 0.0	(144456, 249611) 0.0 0.0 0.0	(144456, 250064) 0.0 0.0 0.0

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Web Search Results

Your Search

Select:

[Yellow Pages](#) [White Pages](#) [Classifieds](#)

Are you looking for?

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[Black Jaguar](#)

[Jaguar Xk8](#)

[Wild Jaquars](#)

[Jaquare](#)

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[Jaguar Automobile](#)



Faceted Browsing

- Faceted indexing and searching is being increasingly studied in the literature, and global-scoped applications based on this paradigm have started to emerge. Roughly, the faceted paradigm can bridge the gap between querying and browsing. In general, query services are either too simplistic (e.g. free text queries in Information Retrieval systems or Web search engines), or too sophisticated (e.g. SQL queries, or Semantic Web Queries). Browsing is either too simplistic (e.g. plain Web links) or very application specific (dynamic pages derived by specific application programs). Faceted indexing and searching can bridge this gap and provide effective and efficient general purpose semantic access services.



Faceted Browsing

- The key point, is that within this very short period and with a few clicks efforts, the user not only finds the desired (or most preferred) choice, but at the same time he gets acquainted with the entire information space, i.e. with the combinations of criteria values that are available and the associated tradeoffs. The efficiency obtained, in terms of user effort, is rather impossible to achieve with the classical querying or plain browsing services



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Projects and Systems

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- FACTS <http://www.ucl.ac.uk/fatks/database.htm>
- FLAMENGO <http://bailando.sims.berkeley.edu/flamenco.html>



Faceted Browsing

Example: Find Hotel (example from www.venere.com)

Accommodation type

- Hotels
- Bed and Breakfasts
- Apartments
- Town House Suites
- Residences
- Farm Houses
- Villas
- Other accommodation

Star rating

- 1 star Hotels
- 2 star Hotels
- 3 star Hotels
- 4 star Hotels
- 5 star Hotels
- 5L star Hotels

Price (EUR|USD|GBP)
per room per night

- from 0 to 75 €
- from 75 € to 125 €
- from 125 € to 225 €
- over 225 €

Area of Rome

- Rome - Historic Center
 - Colosseum
 - Navona
 - Pantheon
 - Porta Portese
 - Spanish Steps
 - Trastevere

User selects two price ranges

The categories from stars and areas that do not match fade.

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User selects the area Colosseum

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Faceted Browsing

Example: Faceted DBLP (http://dblp.l3s.de/)

Publication years (Num. hits)

- 1996-2004 (20) 2005-2007 (12)

Publication types (Num. hits)

- article(5) inproceedings(26)
- proceedings(1) www(1)

Venues (Conferences, Journals, ...)

- ER(3) SETN(3) CAISE(2)
- CoopIS/DOA/ODBASE(2)
- CoopIS/DOA/ODBASE (2)(2) AICCSA(1)
- AVI(1) CIA(1) Data Knowl. Eng.(1)
- Description Logics(1) EC-TEL(1) ECI(1)
- EDBT Workshops(1) EJC(1)
- FLAIRS Conference(1) FoIKS(1)
- More (+10 of total 25)

Authors

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- Carlo Megini(10) Anastasia Analyti(8)
- Panos Constantopoulos(8)
- Jean-Luc Hainaut(2) Vassilis Christophides(2)
- Athena Vakali(1) Can Türker(1)
- Dimitris Kotzinos(1) Dimitris Plexousakis(1)
- Esko Simpanen(1) Giorgos Flouris(1)
- Hannu Markkanen(1) Hannu Törnroos(1)
- Marco Mesiti(1) More (+10 of total 24)

Results					
Found 33 entries matching the search term. Showing 33 according to the selection in the filters.					
	Matches 2 Authors	Title	Venue	Year	Link
1	Yannis Theoharis, Yannis Tzitzikas	Naming Functions for the Vector Space Model.	ECIR	2007	DB DC Bit
1	Anastasia Analyti, Nicolas Spyros, Panos Constantopoulos, Yannis Tzitzikas	An algebra for specifying valid compound terms in faceted taxonomies.	Data Knowl. Eng.	2007	DB DC Bit
1	Yannis Tzitzikas, Jean-Luc Hainaut	On the visualization of large-sized ontologies.	AVI	2006	DB DC Bit
1	Dimitris Kotzinos, Dimitris Plexousakis, Giorgos Flouris, Hannu Markkanen, Nicolas Spyros, Vassilis Christophides, Yannis Tzitzikas	Triangular E-Learning and Emergent Knowledge Artifacts.	EC-TEL	2006	DB DC Bit
1	Carlo Megini, Nicolas Spyros, Yannis Tzitzikas	Abduction for Extending Incomplete Information Sources.	SETN	2006	DB DC Bit
1	Yannis Tzitzikas	Revising Faceted Taxonomies and CTC Expressions.	SETN	2006	DB DC Bit
1	Yannis Tzitzikas	An algebraic method for compressing symbolic data tables.	Intell. Data Anal.	2006	DB DC Bit



Faceted Browsing

Example: Flamenco Fine Arts Search

Flamenco Fine Arts Search
Images from the Collections of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco:
Legion of Honor and de Young Museums, <http://www.thinker.org>

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Save Search History and Settings Return to Search New Search Log

search

all items in current results

These terms define your current search. Click the to remove a term.

BUILT_PLACES: Bridge

Items 1 to 40 of 431 results
Group by [Built_Places](#)

1 41 81 121 161 201 241 281 321 361 401

Refine your search within these categories:

MEDIA (group results)

[Book](#) (3) [Painting](#) (1)
[Ceramic](#) (3) [Photograph](#) (9)
[Drawing](#) (26) [Print](#) (384)
[Objects](#) (7)

LOCATION (group results)

[Asia](#) (22) [North America](#) (77)
[Central America](#) (1) [South America](#) (5)
[Europe](#) (324)

OBJECTS (group results)

[Clothing](#) (95) [Musical Instruments](#) (3)
[Containers](#) (10) [Timepieces](#) (4)
[Food and Meals](#) (111) [Vehicles](#) (161)
[Fuel](#) (9) [Weapons](#) (20)
[Lighting](#) (4) [Writing Tools](#) (27)

BUILT_PLACES: all > Bridge

ANIMALS AND PLANTS (group results)

[Birds](#) (25) [Mammals, Hoofed](#) (76)

[Untitled 19th century](#)
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