

Generating Linked Data by inferring the semantics of tables

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"Noun" http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barack_Obama

Barack Hussein Obama (born August 4, 1961) is the 44th and current President of the United States, having taken office in 2009. He is the first African American to hold the office. Obama previously served as a United States senator from Illinois, from January 2005 until he resigned following his election to the presidency in November 2008.

"Verb" http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States

Text analysis techniques do not work well with tables

Structure may be captured, but what about semantics?



- 154 million high quality relational tables on the web
- 14 nations sharing data as spreadsheets
- Can we build systems to exploit this knowledge?

City	State	Mayor	Population
Baltimore	MD	S.C.Rawlings-Blake	637,418
Seattle	WA	M.McGinn	617,334
Boston	MA	T.Menino	645,169
Raleigh	NC	C.Meeker	405,791

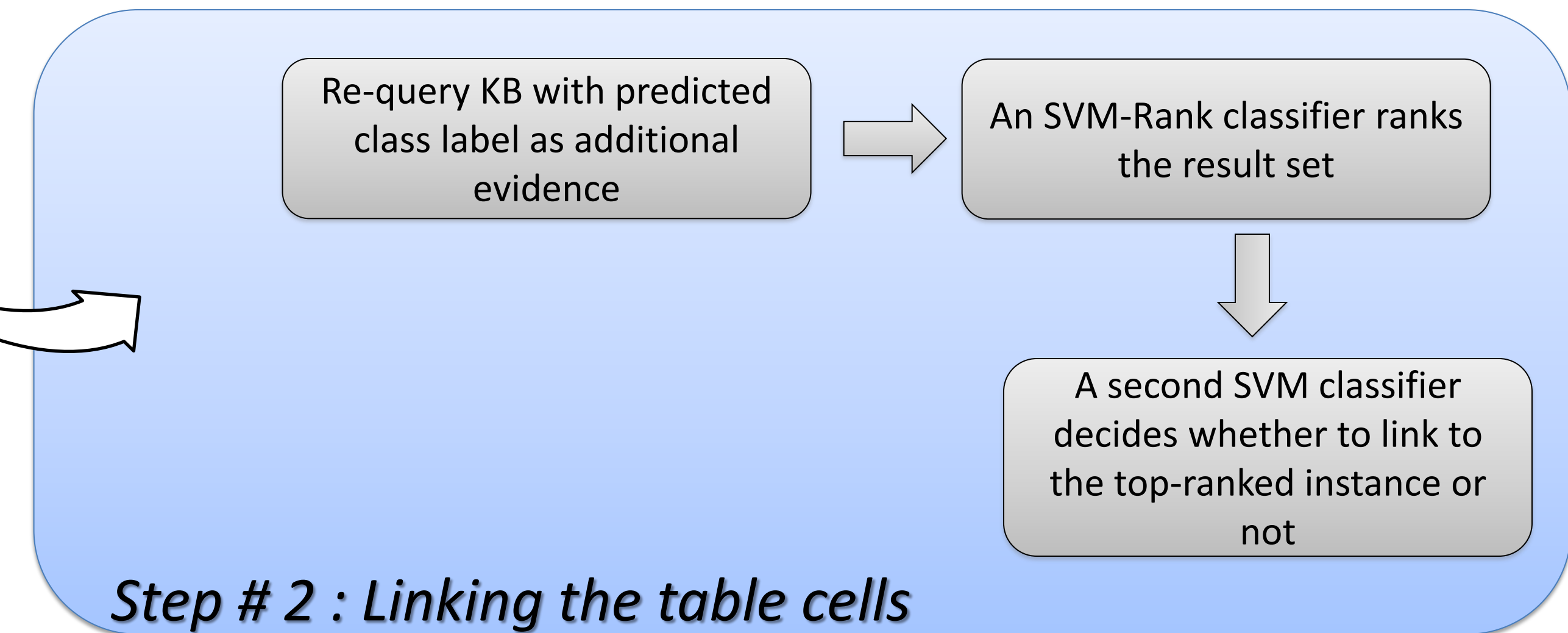
<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/AdministrativeRegion>

Map numbers to property-values

@prefix rdfs: <<http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>> .
@prefix dbpedia: <<http://dbpedia.org/resource/>> .
@prefix dbpedia-owl: <<http://dbpedia.org/ontology/>> .
@prefix dbpprop: <<http://dbpedia.org/property/>> .
"City"@en is rdfs:label of dbpedia-owl:City .
"State"@en is rdfs:label of dbpedia-owl:AdministrativeRegion .
"Baltimore"@en is rdfs:label of dbpedia:Baltimore .
dbpedia:Baltimore a dbpedia-owl:City .
"MD"@en is rdfs:label of dbpedia:Maryland .
dbpedia:Maryland a dbpedia-owl:AdministrativeRegion .
dbpprop:LargestCity rdfs:domain dbpedia-owl:AdministrativeRegion .
dbpprop:LargestCity rdfs:range dbpedia-owl:City .

Class	City
Instance	Baltimore
	Seattle
	Boston
	Raleigh

- For every string in the column, query the knowledge base (KB)
 - Generate a set of possible classes
 - Rank the classes and choose the best class
- Step # 1 : Predict class labels



Step # 3 : Relation Identification

Relation 'A'

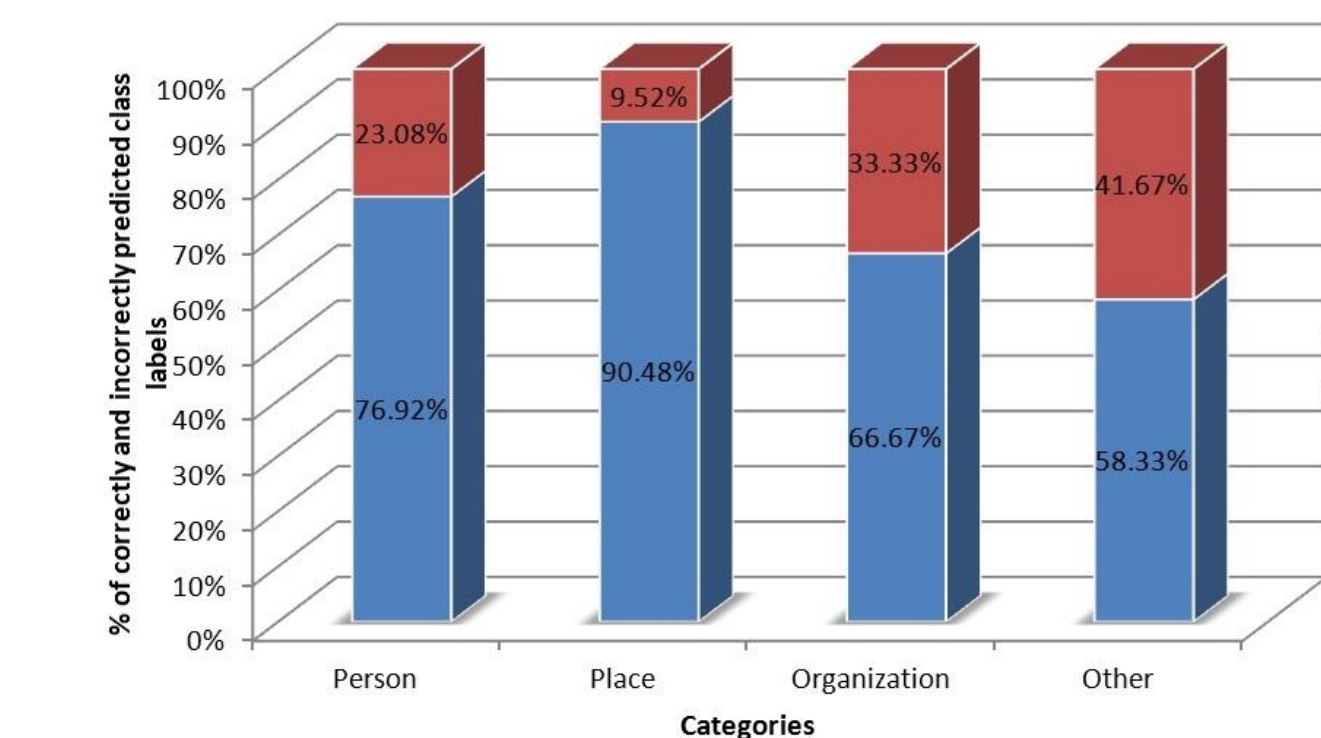
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Baltimore	MD
Seattle	WA
Boston	MA
Raleigh	NC

Relation 'A', 'B'

Relation 'A', 'C'

Relation 'A'

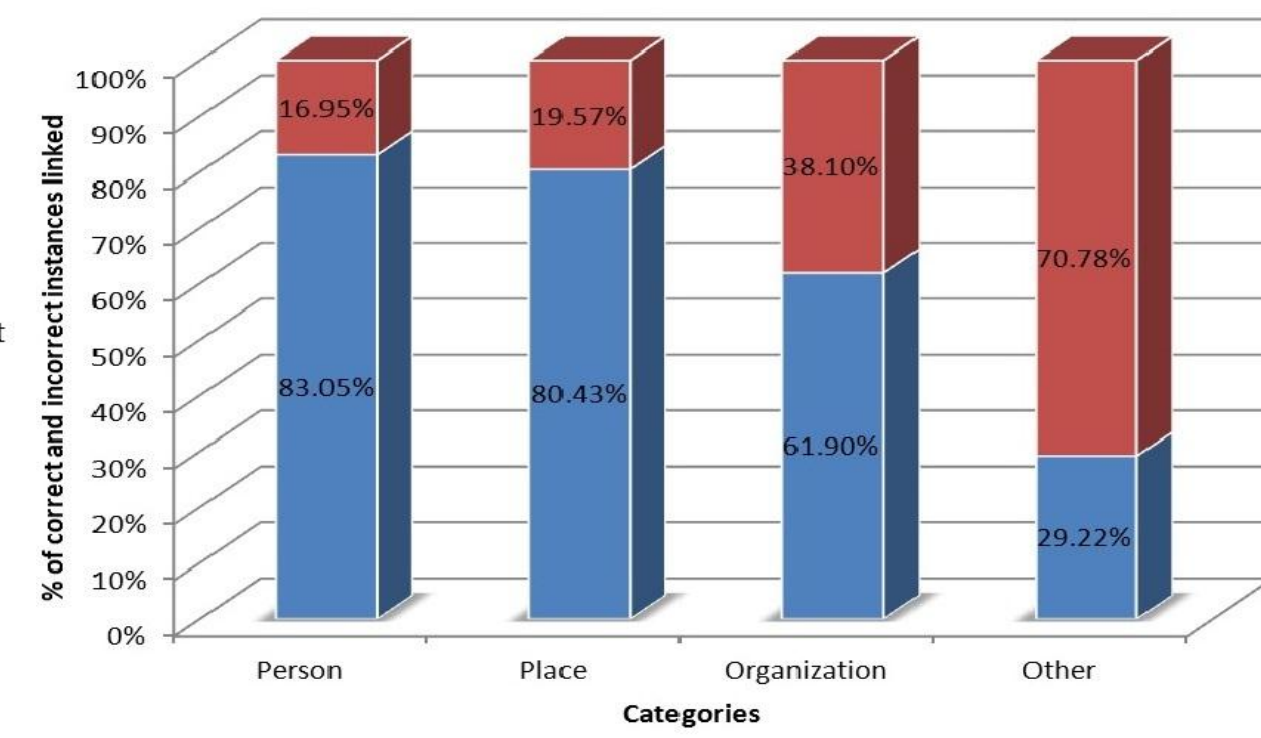
- For every pair of linked strings in the two column, query the knowledge base (KB)
- Generate a set of possible relations
- Rank the relations and choose the best relation



Column Correctness – 76.92 %

Column – Nationality ✗ Prediction – MilitaryConflict

Column – Birth Place ✓ Prediction – PopulatedPlace



Entity Linking – 66.12 %

Research Spending (\$68 billion)



Table 2. Results in the intent-to-treat population			
	Omeprazole Oral Suspension (n = 178)	Intravenous Cimetidine (n = 181)	Confidence Interval for the Difference in Rates, %
Clinically significant bleeding, n (%)	7 (3.9)	10 (5.5)	-100.0, 2.8*
Any overt bleeding, n (%)	34 (19.1)	58 (32.0)	-21.9, -4.0*
Inadequate pH control, n (%)	32 (18.0)	105 (58.0)	-49.2, -30.9*

The idea behind **Evidence-based Medicine** is to judge the efficacy of treatments or tests by meta-analyses or reviews of clinical trials. Key information in such trials is encoded in tables.

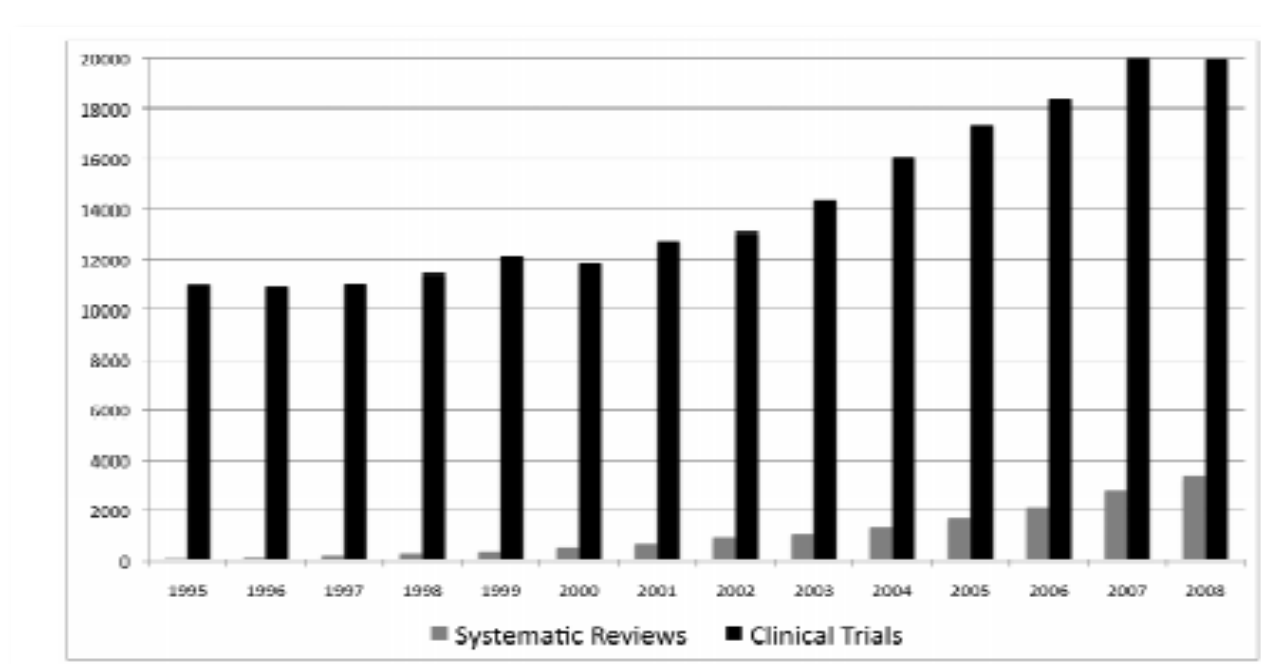


Figure 1. Number of reports on clinical trials and systematic reviews indexed in MEDLINE by year.

However, the rate at which meta-analyses are published remains very low ... hampers effective health care treatment ...