Research Topics in Information Retrieval

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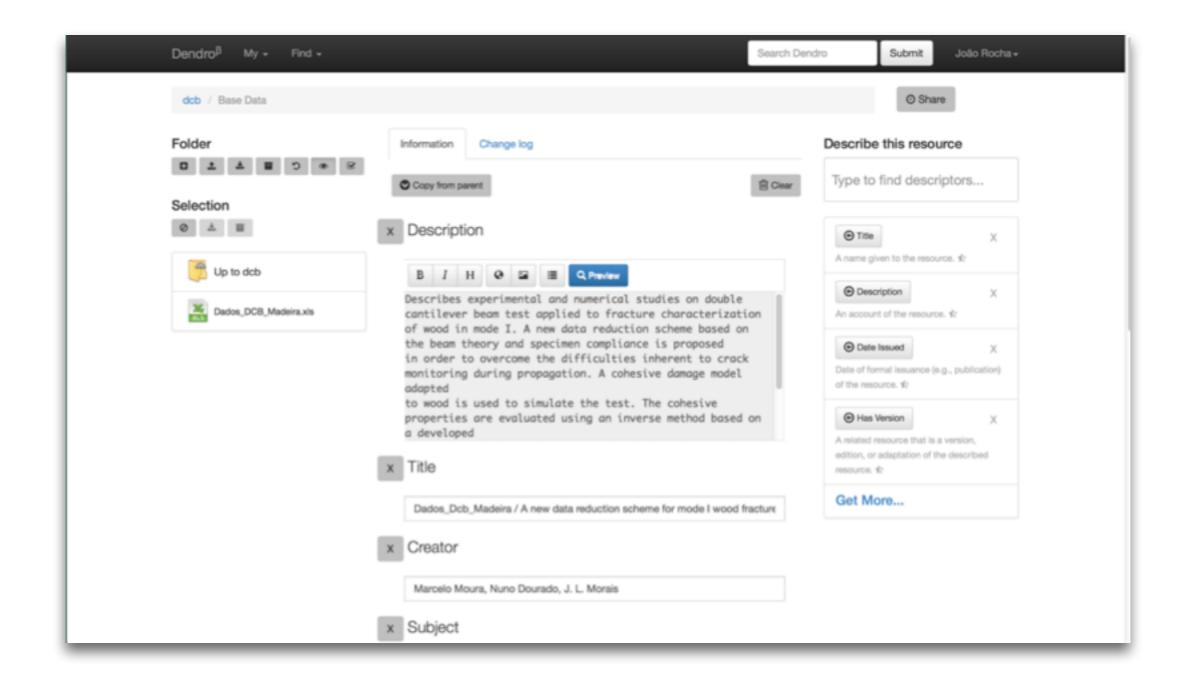
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Information Retrieval

"Information retrieval (IR) is finding material (usually documents) of an unstructured nature (usually text) that satisfies an information need from within large collections (usually stored on computers)."

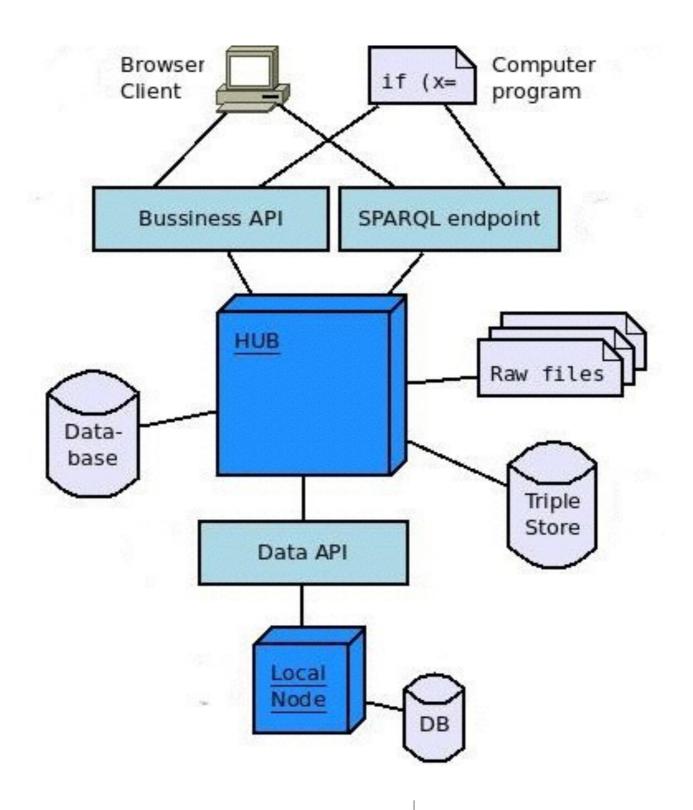
Definition from Manning, Christopher D., Prabhakar Raghavan, and Hinrich Schütze. Introduction to information retrieval. Vol. 1. Cambridge: Cambridge university press, 2008.

Ongoing projects



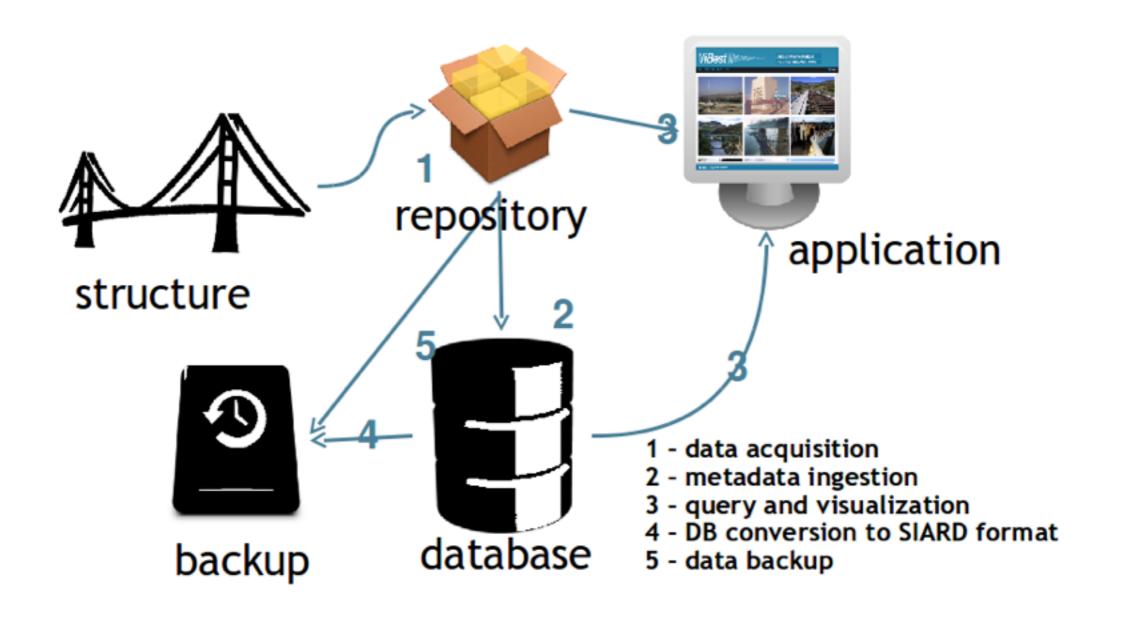


Research Data Management http://dendro.fe.up.pt/



WindScanner

e-science platform http://winds.fe.up.pt/ws/



DYNAMO

Management of Monitoring Data http://vibest.fe.up.pt/shm



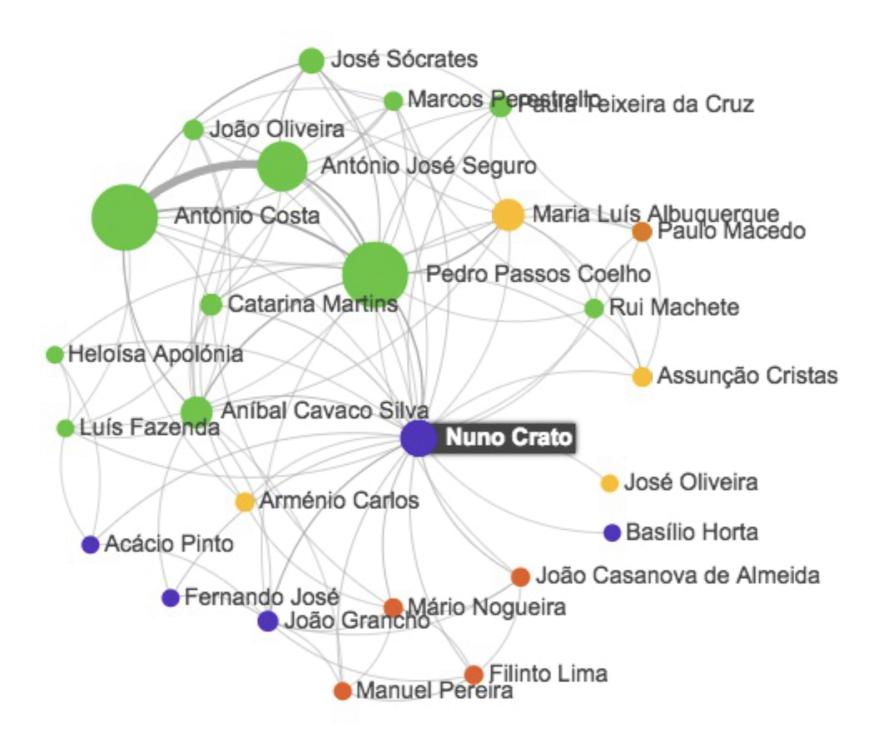
DBPreserve

Data Warehouses for preserving Relational Databases http://www.inesctec.pt/csig-en/projects/projects/dbpreserve-en/



Preservation of Clinical Records

Digital Preservation Plans



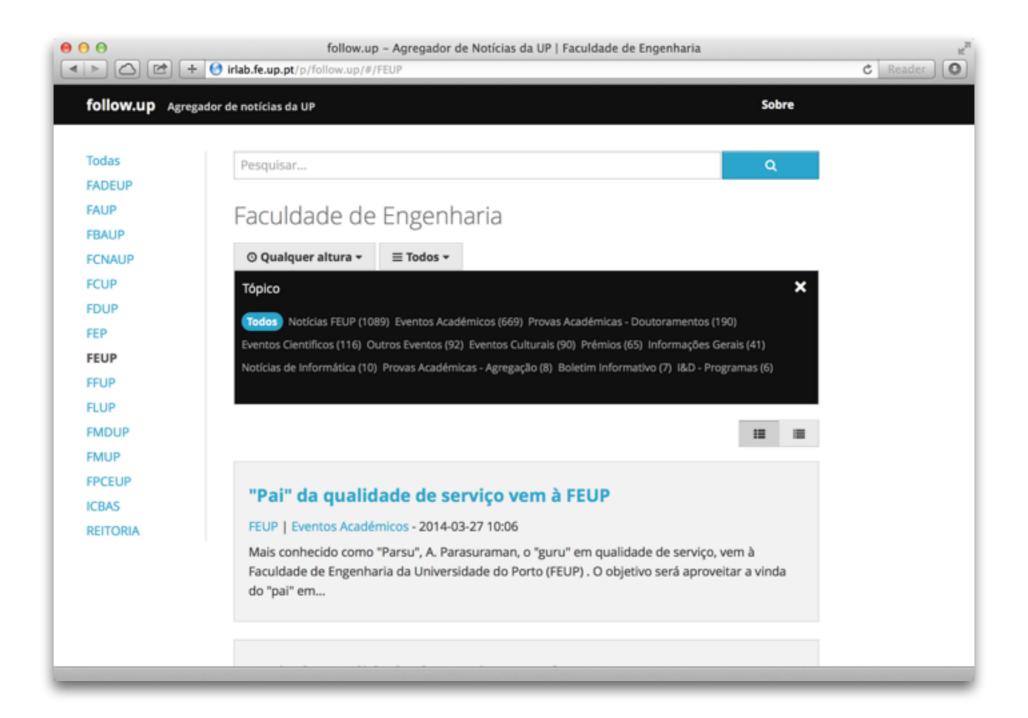
SAPO Time Machine

Mining and Navigation in Media Archives http://noticias.sapo.pt/maquinadotempo/



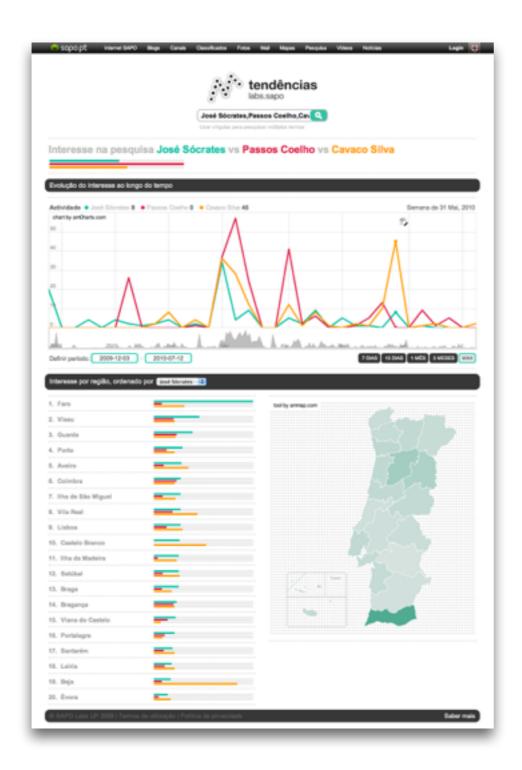
WikiChanges

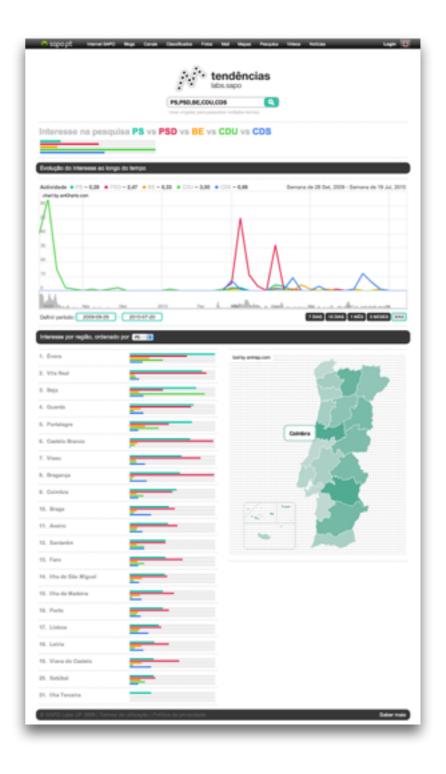
Temporal Information Retrieval http://irlab.fe.up.pt/p/wikichanges/



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Information Aggregation and Visualization http://irlab.fe.up.pt/p/follow.up





SAPO Tendências

Data Streams
Storage and Visualization

Research Topics

Temporal Information Retrieval

Research topics in information retrieval over timedependent collections, i.e. collections that evolve over time, in particular the World Wide Web.

What is the impact of time in standard information retrieval tasks such as: keyword extraction, ad-hoc search, summarization, question answering, information filtering.

Temporal Information Retrieval

Relevance of Former Content

Understand the importance of former content and how it can be used to aid the user in present retrieval tasks.

Changes Summarization

Address the problem of summarizing changes in dynamic text collections, focusing on the development of techniques that produce an automatic summary of a given time period.

Dynamics of Content over Time

Study how content changes over time in collaboratively edited documents.

Information Retrieval in Digital Media

Research topics in the field of information retrieval and access applied to the area of digital media, in particular to online news production and consumption.

- How consumers interact with digital media
- How content producers use new information technologies
- How information flows in the new digital media ecosystem
- Which tools are needed by media producers and consumers

Information Retrieval in Digital Media

Information Needs

Understand how information consumers and producers use digital media, which are the underlying information needs, what are the usage habits and technologies.

Information Ecosystem

Research how media professionals use information technologies to organize, manipulate and publish content in digital media. Study how information flows within the current news ecosystem, namely mass media and social media.

Information Filtering and Selection

Develop tools to help media consumers and producers filter, organize and select the relevant information for different information needs and scenarios.

Research Data Management

Research topics in the field of research data creation, description and preservation.

- How researchers collect and organize data
- Which tools can support data organisation and description
- Which workflows enforce long-term preservation features
- Which metadata models can be established for a data community

e-Science

Research topics in the field of data-intensive science.

- How to provide researchers with methods for organising and processing data
- Which tools can support data organisation, description and processing
- Which workflows are suited for a scientific domain
- Which metadata is required for data and for processes

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- Information Systems
- Information Retrieval
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