Why should you care about UIMA?

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Apache UIMA Committer

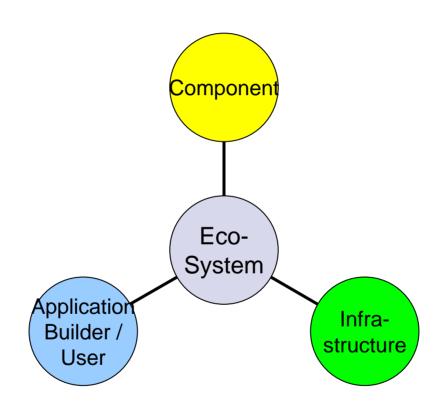
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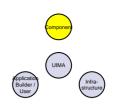
Apache UIMA is an Apache Incubator Project

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What color is your hat?



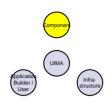
Components





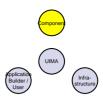
- Components often do complex analytics
 - Language ID
 - Tokenizers, Parsers
 - Named Entity Recognizers (Persons, Places, Countries, Companies, Time/Date, Phone numbers etc.)
 - Relation detectors (owns, occurs-during, locatedin, is-CEO-of, etc.)
 - Sentiments
 - Not necessarily Text (audio / video)

Components





- UIMA Sandbox something "out of the box"
 - Whitespace Tokenizer Annotator
 - Snowball Annotator
 - Regular Expression Annotator
 - <u>Dictionary Annotator</u>
 - <u>Tagger Annotator</u> (hidden Markov Model)
 - PEAR Packaging ANT Task
 - <u>CAS Editor</u> (tooling for manually annotating corpora)
 - PEAR Packaging Maven Plugin
 - <u>Feature Structure Variables</u> (experimental extension to framework)





Component EcoSystem

- Repositories
 - Carnegie Mellon University hosts a repository of UIMA components: http://uima.lti.cs.cmu.edu
 - Jena University also has started a collection of UIMA components: http://www.julielab.de/content/view/122/179/
- Sampling of Commercial Companies
 - Nstein
 - Temis
 - InfoExtract
 - RASP4UIMA
- Research Consortiums
 - Sapir (EU consortium) Search in Audio Visual Content using Peer-to-peer IR
 - <u>TAO</u> (EU consortium) <u>UIMA enablement by Mondeca</u> Open source infrastructure for <u>Transitioning Applications to Ontologies</u>
 - <u>National Centre for Text Mining</u> NaCTeM
 - Mayo Clinic
 - Software Environment for the Advancement of Scholarly Research
 - University Workshop: GLDV CONFERENCE 2007 Society for Computational Linguistics and Language Technology - Universität Tübingen http://incubator.apache.org/uima/gldv07.html
- Standardization http://www.oasis-open.org/committees/tc home.php?wg abbrev=uima

Solution Building

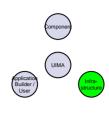




TALES

- From Video Feeds in foreign languages to Semantic Index of news stories
- Speech to text, translation, named entity recognition, semantic indexing, with video retrieval
- TALES video
- TALES demo

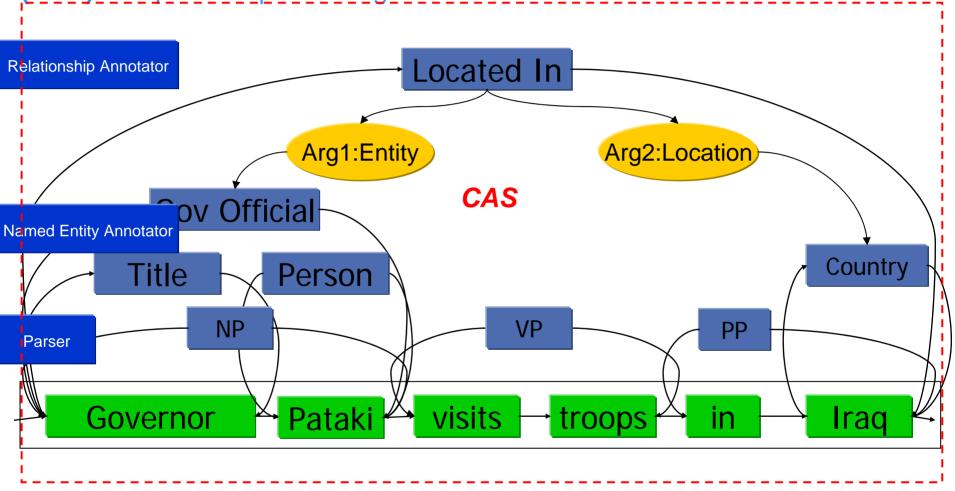
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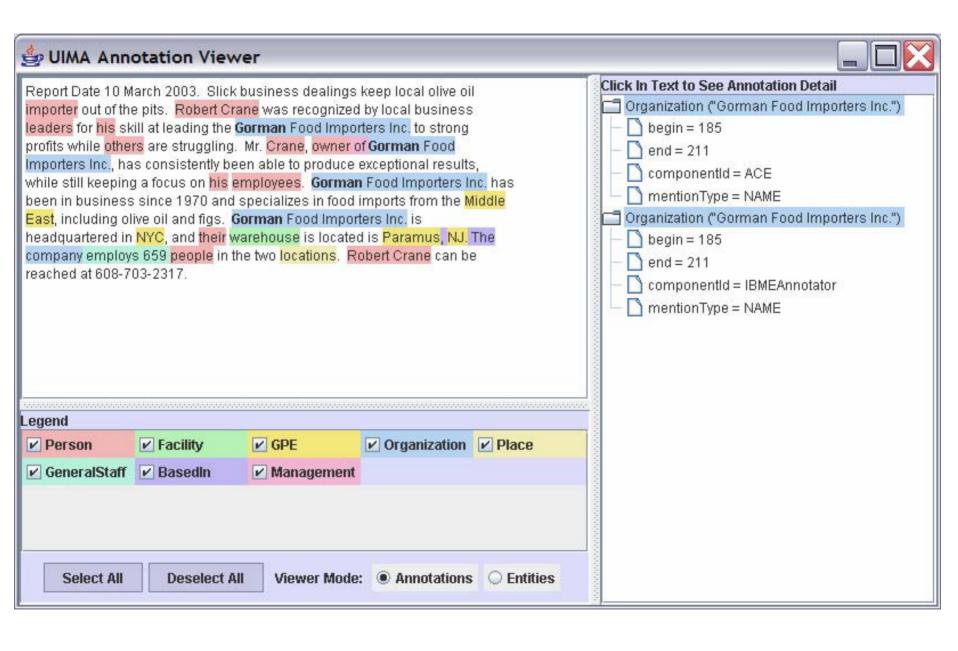




- UIMA inside IBM's:
 - Data Warehouse Edition http://www-306.ibm.com/software/data/db2/dwe/unstructured-data-analysis.html
 - OmniFind Analytics Edition -<u>ftp://ftp.software.ibm.com/software/data/ECM/WP/IBM_ECM_Omnifind_AE_WP.pdf</u>
 - UIMA-Stage in DataStage (proof-of-concept)
- UIMA inside Temis's infrastructure http://www.temis.com/
- UIMA inside InfoExtract http://infoextract.com/id69.html
- New Scale-out prototype using Apache ActiveMQ http://cwiki.apache.org/UIMA/uimaasdoc.html

UIMA's Basic Building Blocks are **Annotators** – they iterate over an artifact to discover new information and update the **Common Analysis Structure** (CAS) for upstream processing





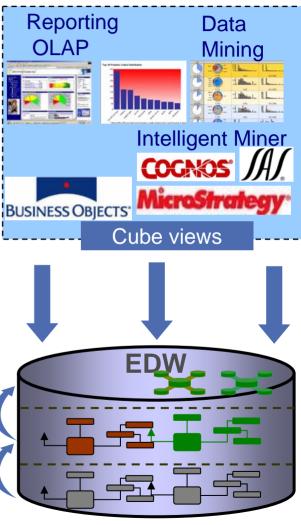
Text Analysis in DB2 Warehouse

Design Time Runtime **OLAP** Define Configure Transformation engine Dataflow annotators Create (controlled **UIMA** Vocabulary, metadata regular Warehouse expressions Configured application taxonomies) annotators Deployment preparation Design studio **UIMA Tools** Generate Package Warehouse Analysis eng. application Source DB **EDW UIMA** (with text fields) Warehouse annotator.

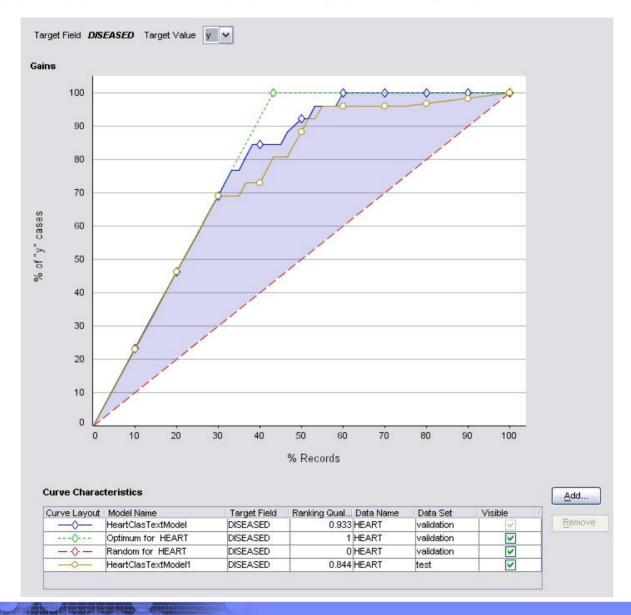
application

dictionaries

Analysis / Reporting



The Classification model – Gains Chart







Extracting Knowledge from Unstructured Information using DB2 Warehouse 9.5

Peter Bendel, IBM, peter_bendel@de.ibm.com Session 1191A Dynamic Warehousing



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TEMIS and UIMA: Initial decision



- Temis decided to embrace UIMA early 2006
 - As a standard to follow and support
 - And to use the IBM Java UIMA framework
 - Middleware of TEMIS Luxid servers
 - Started with IBM version 1.3, Switching now toward Apache version in next major release
- A thoughtful decision
 - Deep internal testing for the framework
 - Excellent documentation
 - IBM commitment
 - Customer requests for an open architecture
- Mastering and extending
 - Use of standard API
 - Extend when needed
 - Administration
 - Scalability

TEMIS and UIMA: current involvements

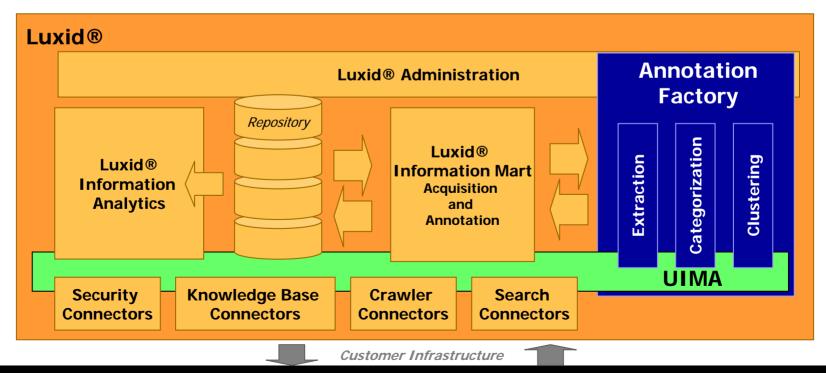


- Integrated as the backbone of LUXID
 - Since mid 2006
 - Long term commitment
- Founder member of the OASIS UIMA specification committee
- Involvements in the Apache UIMA dev
 - Just started
 - Will contribute different modules in the next months (starting with generic scripting annotator)
 - Committed to participate to the integration of transport layer alternative

Luxid® is built on top of UIMA



- Sources
 - Sources are UIMA sources
- Annotators
 - Annotators are UIMA annotators
- Workflow
 - Workflows are UIMA workflows
- Content Storage
 - Consumers are UIMA consumers
- Knowledge representation
 - A unique generic TEMIS UIMA TypeSystem represents metadata and annotations across Luxid





XMLFragments – the overlapping issue

Annotators may cause overlapping

```
Location
 Reuters, reported that Benazir Bhutto was in Pakistan in March.
                                  HoldsDuring
 Agency
                         Reports
<Reports>
       <Agency>Reuters<Agency>
       reported that
       <Location><HoldsQuring>Benazir Bhutto was in
       Pakistan</Location
                            Overlap <a href="ts">Tts></a>
       in March
 </HoldsDuring>
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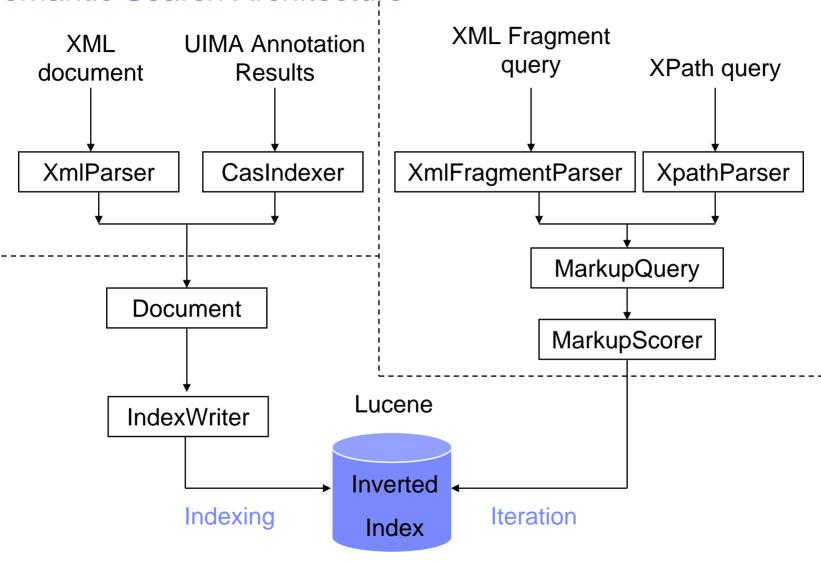
XMLFragments – the overlapping issue - solution

- XMLFragment was extended by two operators
- "Extending the XML Fragment Model to Support Querying over Annotated Text', Mass et al., SIGIR workshop, 2004
- Intersection Operator <T1 * T2> </T1 * T2></T1 * T2></T2>
- Concatenation Operator <T1 + T2> </T1 + T2>
- Query: '<Report+HoldsDuring>Pakistan March Reuters</Report+HoldsDuring>'

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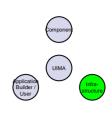


Semantic Search Architecture



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Infrastructure





- Opportunity: Integrate Apache Tika
 - As configurable UIMA annotator or other?
- Opportunity: Consider incorporating UIMA-based analytics into your infrastructure
 - Allow your users access to the growing set of UIMA components
 - Apache UIMA Core team will help
- Opportunity: Ruby/Rails, Groovy/Grails integration?
 - making it very easy to incorporate UIMA analytics into web applications

IBM Funds UIMA Innovation Awards



- Encouraging components and community building
- ~20 awards in 2006 and 2007
- Activities around:
 - Research
 - Creating / evaluating annotators
 - Corpora
 - Tooling
 - Teaching
 - Infrastructure (for example, Grid based scaleout)
 - Semantic Web



Apache UIMA symbiotics

- Apache Community possible involvement
 - Integrate UIMA where appropriate
 - Help us extend / align with Apache projects
- UIMA world-wide adoption (both commercially and academically) increases leverage for component work









Thank You!



