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Research on Analysis of Hindi language Graphical user Interface

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Abstract

The interface between humans and computers is an ever critical issue due to the increased complexity of computerized systems and the wide variety of problems they solve. Controlled natural languages might prove a promising medium between humans and computers, however, they are not easy to design, and humans need time to adapt to them. Authors propose to solve these issues by using a controlled user interface which is powered by an automatically constructed application-oriented natural language. Therefore, any interface in Hindi language will be an asset to these people. This paper discusses the architecture of mapping the Hindi language query entered by the user into SQL query.

Keywords: Parser, Natural language, SQL, Database, Query Generator...

Introduction

We require information in our daily life. One of the major sources of information is database. Almost all applications have needed to retrieve information from database which requires knowledge of database languages like SQL. To write SQL query one need to have not only knowledge query language but also the physical structure of database. Therefore everybody is not able to write SQL queries. To override the complexity many researchers have turned out to use Natural Language (NL) i.e. Hindi, English, French, Tamil etc. instead of SQL. The idea of using NL has prompted the development of new type of processing method called Natural Language Interface to Database systems (NLIDB). It is a type of computer human interface. It is a system where user access information stored in databases by typing request in natural language. This does not require the user to know query language syntax. It makes accessing of data from database very easy for a person who has no knowledge of query language.

Materials and methods

The design of Hindi language interface to databases includes the description of architecture of system and structure of EMPLOYEE database used in the system.

Architecture of the system

The architecture of Hindi language interface to databases is shown in Figure. Architecture of the system is divided five various phases. These phases are given below. To Parse and tokenize the input sentence using Hindi Shallow Parser.

- To find the English word corresponding to Hindi tokens from a dictionary.
- To map input Hindi query with database query.
- To generate SQL query with the help of database query generator and underlying DBMS.
- To execute the query and give the response to user.

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Architecture of the proposed system The details of these phases are given below. Parsing and tokenizing input sentence using Hindi **Shallow Parser**

In proposed system, Hindi Shallow Parser (developed by developed by Language Technologies Research Centre (LTRC) at IIIT, Hyderabad) has been used to perform parsing of a sentence given in Hindi language. It involves morphological analysis, part of speech tagging, chunking, pruning, etc. The overall processing task has been broken up into many modules and each one of them performs a small logical task.

Hindi Shallow Parser uses Shakti Standard Format (SSF) for storing language analysis which has been described below.

Shakti Standard Format

It is a highly readable representation for storing language analysis. It is designed to be used as a common format or common representation on which all modules of a system operate. The Shakti Standard Format (SSF) representation is designed to keep both rule-based as well as statistical approaches together. Two kinds of analyses are usually done in SSF. These are constituent and relational structure level analysis. Constituent analysis is used to store simple phrase level analysis (called chunking) and the relational analysis for storing relations between the simple

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phrases. SSF also involves one another concept of feature structures. Feature structures are used to store attribute-value pairs for phrasal node as well as for a word or a token. Outputs of many other kinds of analysis, such as grammatical relations, Tense, Aspect, Modality (TAM) computation, case computation, etc., are stored using feature-structures. Though, the SSF format is fixed and it has a text representation, which makes it easy to read the output. The working of Hindi Shallow Parser has been explained below.

Working of Hindi Shallow Parser

The working of Hindi Shallow Parser has been discussed in this section with the help of an example. The Hindi sentence that is parsed using Hindi Shallow Parser is सभी बच्चे किताब पढते हैं।

Here, the sentence is parsed in following steps which is explained below.

Tokenizer

This module convert a sentence into word level tokens (consisting of words, punctuation marks, and other symbols) and return sentence marker for each sentence of input text.

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1	सभी	unk
2	बच्चे	unk
3	किताब	unk
4	पढ़ते	unk
5	考	unk
6		unk
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Output of tokenizer for input sentence

A token is an instance of a sequence of characters in some particular document that are grouped together as a useful semantic unit for processing. The result of tokenizing the input sentence given

The Hindi sentence given is divided into number of tokens.

सभी, बच्चे, किताब, पढते, है,

Implementation

Implementation and working of the system

The proposed system has been developed for multiple platforms. The input Hindi sentence is parsed and tokenized using Hindi Shallow Parser. It uses

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MYSQL as database and HTML and CSS for as front end. MYSQL is connected with ASP.net using mysqldata.dll. Unicode character set is used for providing input and output in Hindi. Data is also stored in Hindi in the database. The system handles three types of queries which have been illustrated below.

- Data Retrieval query.
- Update Column(s) query.
- Delete Row(s) query.

The user interface is shown in Figure.

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User interface of Natural language interface to databases The interface includes a Combo Box which contains list of Hindi queries that user can ask from the system. The selected query is displayed in the text field provided above. User can also give his own query similar to type of queries in the combo box. The first Text Area contains the output of Hindi Shallow Parser while second text area is for query output. "Execute Query" button is used to execute the query and "Show SQL Query" button is used to display the corresponding SQL query generated.

Data retrieval query

The proposed system can handle different form of queries which has been illustrated below.

- Query for selection of whole table.
- Query for selection of single or multiple columns.

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- Query for selection of certain rows from certain column, i.e., Conditional query.
- Query that doesn't include table name but table name is searched from column name.
- Query which includes joins of two tables.

The screenshot of query that involves selection of whole table is shown in Figure.

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Screenshot of query that involve selection of whole table Figure, shows when "Execute Query" button is pressed, output of parser and final results are appeared in desired text areas. If user wants to see the SQL query generated, he can press "Show SQL Query" button. The SQL query generated is shown in SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE;

The screenshot of query that involves selection of single or multiple columns is shown in Figure.



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SELECT NAME FROM EMPLOYEE;

The screenshot of query that involves condition is shown in Figure.

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Screenshot of query that includes joining of two tables Figure, shows when "Execute Query" button is pressed, output of parser and final results are appeared in desired text areas. If user wants to see the SQL query generated, he can press "Show SQL Query" button. The SQL query generated is shown.

DEPT_NAME FROM EMPLOYEE, SELECT DEPARTMENT WHERE EMPLOYEE.DEPTNO= DEPARTMENT.DEPTNO AND EMPLOYEE.NAME= "राम";

Update column (s) query

The proposed system can handle different

form of queries which has been illustrated below.

- Query that update single or multiple column(s).
 - Query that update column (s) but doesn't include table name.
 - Query that update column (s) by joining of two tables.

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Screenshot of query that involves Conditional

Figure, shows the query which involves selection of employee number of that employee whose name is "दीपक". When "Execute Query" button is pressed, output of parser and final results are appeared in desired text areas. "Show SQL Query" button displays the SQL query generated. The SQL query generated is shown

SELECT EMPNO FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE NAME= ''दीपक'':

The screenshot of query that includes joining of two tables is shown in Figure.

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Screenshot of query that update column (s) but doesn't include

The screenshots of query that involves updating column (s) which do not include table name is shown in Figure: Screenshot of query that update column (s) but doesn't include table name in Figure, shows the input query is to change the city of employee "पाम" to "जम्मू". When "Show SQL Query" button is pressed, SQL query generated is shown

UPDATE EMPLOYEE SET CITY= "जम्मू" WHERE NAME= "राम";

Delete row (s) query

The proposed system can handle different form of queries which has been explained below.

- Delete single or multiple rows.
- Delete row (s) when table name is not present in query.
- Delete row (s) by joining two tables.

A screenshot of query that involves deleting row(s) is shown in Figure.

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Screenshot of query that involves deleting row(s) Figure shows how delete query delete all the information about "राम". The generated query is shown. DELETE FROM EMPLOYEE WHERE NAME= "राम";

Results and discussion

The Natural Language interface to databases can handles three types of queries which has been illustrated below.

- Data Retrieval query.
- Update Column(s) query.
- Delete query.

The system has been tested on 50 Hindi input sentences. The testing results performed on data retrieval queries are shown in Table 6.1.

Table:

Table 1:	Testing	results	performed	on	data	retrieval
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queries		
Hindi Sentence	SQL Query	
सभी कर्मचारीयों का नाम	Select Name from Employee;	
बताओ		
उस कर्मचारी की	Select Empno from	
कर्मचारीसंख्या बताओ	Employee where	
जिसका नाम अशोक है	Name=''अशोक'';	
उस कर्मचरी का शहर	Select City from Employee	
बताओ जिसका नाम राम	where Name= "राम";	
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रीया की जन्मतिथि बता	Select DOB from Employee
	where Name = ''रीया'':
	,
कर्मचारीयों का वेतन दो	Select Salary from Employee;
उन कर्मचारीयों का	Select Dept name from
विभागनाम बताओ जिनका	Employee,
वेतन 50000 है	Department where
	Employee.Deptno=
	Department.Deptno and
	Employee.
	Salary= "50000";
कर्मचारीयों के नाम . शहर	Select Name, City from
बताओ	Employee;
सिरसा के कर्मचारी का नाम	Select Name from Employee
बताओ	where City= ''सिरसा '';
उन कर्मचारी की	Select Empno, Name from
कर्मचारीसंख्या . नाम	Employee,
बताओ जिनकी	Department.Deptno and
विभागसंख्या 7 है	Employee.
	Deptno= "7";
विनोद का शहर बताओ	Select City from Employee
	where Name= ''विनोद'';
राम का विभागनाम बताओ	Department.Deptno and
	Employee. Name= ,,राम";
उस कर्मचारी का नाम	Select Name from Employee
बताओ जिनकी	where Empno>'110';
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ऊपर है	
उस कर्मचारी का नाम	Select Name from Employee
बताओ जिनका	where Salary>'60000':
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सभी कर्मचारियों के बारे में	Select * from Employee:
बताओ	
हर विभाग की जानकारी दो	Select * from Department:
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उस कर्मचारी का विभाग	Select Dept_name from
नाम बताओ	Employee,
जिनकी विभागसंख्या 7 है	Department where
	Employee.Deptno =
	Department.deptno and
	Employee.Deptno='7';
उन कर्मचारियों का नाम	Select Name from Employee
बताओ जिनका	,Department where
विभागनाम खरीद है	Employee.Deptno=
	Department.Deptno and
	Department.Dept_name = '
	 खरीद ';

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उस कर्मचारी का शहर	Select City from Employee
बताआ ।जसका	where
नाम हिना है	Name = ' हिना ';

Table 2: Testing results performed on update column (s)

queries		
Hindi Sentence	SQL Query	
उस कर्मचारी का नाम राम	Update Employee set Name=	
करो जिसकी	'राम' where	
कर्मचारीसंख्या 107 है	Empno='107';	
उस कर्मचारी का शहर	Update Employee set City=	
पटियाला करो	'पटियाला' where	
जिसका नाम अशोक है	Name=' अशोक';	
उस कर्मचारी का	Update Department set	
विभागनाम प्शासन	Dept_name=	
करो जिसकी	'प्शासन' where Deptno = '1';	
विभागसंख्या 1 है		
उन कर्मचारियों की	Up1date	
विभागसंख्या 2	Employee,Department set	
करो जिनका वेतन	Employee.Deptno='2' where	
43000 हੈ	Employee.Salary='43000';	
उस कर्मचारी का शहर	Update Employee,Department	
पटियाला करो	set	
जिसका विभागनाम खरीद	Employee.City = 'पटियाला' where	
है	Department.Dept_name= 'खरीद';	
उस कर्मचारी का शहर	Update Employee, Department	
शिमला करो	set	
जिसकी विभागसंख्या 3 है	Employee.City = 'शिमला' where	
	Department.Deptno='3';	
राम का शहर जम्मू करो	Update Employee set	
	City='जम्मू';	

Table 3: Testing results performed on delete row (s)

queries		
Hindi	SQL Query	
Sentence		
उस कर्मचारी की	Delete from Employee where	
जानकारी हटाओ	Name=	
जिसका नाम अशोक है	'अशोक';	
उस कर्मचारी की	Delete from Employee	
जानकारी हटाओ	,Department where	
जिसका विभागनाम	Department.Dept_name='खरीद';	
खरीद है		

Conclusion

The proposed Natural Language interface to Databases to Employee database accepts query in Natural Language, parses and tokenizes the sentence with the help of Hindi Shallow Parser and maps the

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Hindi root words with their corresponding English words with the help of dictionary maintained. After mapping, sentence is checked whether it is data retrieval, update or delete type of sentence. This is done by analyzing Hindi input sentence. After analyzing the Hindi sentence, table names, column names and conditions are searched in the database tables. The tokens are mapped with database values. After mapping, query is again analyzed to check whether it involve joining of multiple tables or not. SQL query is then generated and executed and result is displayed to user.

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