A tour of information science through the pages of *JASIS*

Following are selected article titles and descriptive material drawn from the pages of the *Journal of the American Society for Information Science (JASIS*) and its precursor title, *American Documentation*, dating from the beginning of the journal in January 1950 until this issue went to press in spring 1999. All citations through the end of 1969 can be found in *American Documentation*; all later citations are from *JASIS*. The "tour" draws on regular and "brief communication" refereed articles. At the end of the tour are provided lists of the "Perspectives" and "Special Topic" issues that have appeared in the journal over the years. (See that section for further explanation of the special issues.)

Selections were made with the intent to illustrate the development of research, technology, and thinking in information science over the years. The pages of the journal have formed the crossroads for most, if not all, major researchers in the field. Famous researchers from outside information science proper, such as Noam Chomsky, Herbert Simon, and George Miller have also appeared in *JASIS*.

Furthermore, every significant area of research in information science is well represented in the pages of the journal. Information retrieval system design and evaluation, description of operational information systems and services, indexing theory and evaluation, search strategy, information seeking research, bibliometric analysis, information policy, and the

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economics of information have all been addressed in *JASIS*. Despite the journal's reputation for an emphasis on the mathematical and technical, the first user needs study appears in *American Documentation* as early as 1951.

It is also striking how *early* many crucial ideas in information science appeared in these pages. H.P. Luhn proposes key word in context indexing in 1960, and selective dissemination of information in 1961—the latter now rediscovered in the age of the World Wide Web as "push" technology. William Goffman and associates propose the use of "meta-language" in information retrieval systems in 1964—and mean it in a way close to its current usage. In 1966, Lockheed staff describe a new system that enables a "dialogue" with an "on-line reference retrieval system." Murray Turoff and Starr Hiltz provide a "progress report" on electronic journals in 1982.

User-centered information system design did not start in the 1980's, as some would claim. Rather, it dates at least to Mooers' Law, published in 1960, and Edwin Parker's 1966 argument that "the system should adapt to the receiver or user, rather than the user to the system" (see below under Information Seeking and Needs). Victor Rosenberg's 1974 article calling for the introduction into information science research the "intuitive, the subjective, and the experiential" presages by decades the current wave of interest in qualitative methodology.

Just two more examples will be provided here of these early insights. In 1967, Burton Adkinson and Charles Stearns present a remarkably prescient description and forecast of the information scene. Their three stages of library automation (which actually address far more than just libraries themselves) are an excellent summary of what, in fact, has happened in the years since their article.

Finally, Watson Davis, the founder of this Society (under its original name, the American Documentation Institute), describes in a 1951 article the association's system of "auxiliary publication." This arrangement, first begun in 1936, enabled researchers to send in additional, supplemental, and otherwise unpublished materials to the American Documentation Institute. Other researchers who wished to use this material could then contact the Institute and have a copy made for their own use. The ability to self-publish such supplemental materials is one of the features most praised about the Internet for researchers today. The technology available today is much more supportive for auxiliary publication than was the case in 1936, but the idea was actually implemented back then.

In the early days, the technology for information retrieval was almost unbelievably primitive by current standards. Coordinate indexing was developed by Mortimer Taube and his associates by using a paper card for each index term. (This so-called "term-entry" system was the converse of

the "item-entry" approach illustrated by Calvin Mooers' Zatocoding, displayed at the beginning of this anniversary section.) In indexing individual records, the document number of each record would be posted to all the cards bearing index terms appropriate to the document. The cards would then be filed. Upon need to fulfill a search query, the cards for the desired subject terms would be pulled out from their boxes and the document numbers on each card visually compared. A coordinate "AND" between two index terms would be achieved when all document numbers were identified that appeared on both index term cards. In general, in the early days, the ideas galloped well ahead of the available technology.

Whole research specialties have been spawned from the research presented in the journal's pages. Information retrieval research developed out of the work of Cyril Cleverdon, F.W. Lancaster, Lauren Doyle, and, above all, Gerard Salton, all of whom published in IASIS. (It is not being claimed that JASIS necessarily published the first or only article on the given topics, but articles in the journal have frequently been very influential in the development of information science research areas.) Bibliometric research reached its modern form out of the work of Burton and Kebler. M.M. Kessler, Eugene Garfield, Derek de Solla Price, Henry Small, and Howard White. Similar lists of names could be provided for research in both human and automatic indexing, search strategy, analysis of online database use and users, and information seeking.

We may expect to see some recent JASIS articles prove to be the productive sources of new research specialties and methodological approaches in the years to come—Birger Hjørland and Hanne Albrechtsen's domain analysis; new approaches to studying information seeking from Elfreda Chatman, Carol Kuhlthau, Barbara Wildemuth, Rob Kling, and Carole Palmer; new kinds of libraries from Richard Lucier, Joseph Janes, and Edward Fox. We may see a revolution in thinking about relevance arising out of Stephen Harter's 1992 article on the subject. Researchers studying new types of real-world operational information systems appearing today are too numerous to mention; it is anyone's guess what role multimedia, imagebases, search engines, intelligent agents, and, of course, the Internet, will take in the information retrieval world of the 21st century.

The above are just a few of the names and topics to be found in the pages of American Documentation/Journal of the American Society for Information Science. Indeed, even the lengthier "tour" of the pages of the journal that follows below is just a small part of the full history and contents of the journal. All 50 volumes of the journal were examined to select the items in the tour. I have endeavored to represent a wide range of topics, perspectives, and individuals in the selection of articles, but ignorance,

biases rooted in personal interests, and general human failings will no doubt be responsible for the omission below of significant articles or the selection of lesser articles by researchers otherwise represented.

In the following, the descriptions are arranged by subject and chronologically within each subject. Article titles are in **boldface** to make it easy to scan down through the listings to see the topic development in each research area. An unconventional bibliographic format for the article information is used for ease of reading and follow-up.

To simplify, quotation marks are left out, but all text is taken directly from the articles; none is supplied by the editor. Text is usually from the abstracts, but sometimes comes from the text of the articles. (In the early years the journal did not require abstracts for articles.) Elisions in the selected texts are indicated by. . . . No text is provided where titles are self-explanatory.

Information and information science paradigm

- Identifying Key Contributions to Information Science. Carlos A. 1964 Cuadra 15(4), 289-295.
 - The present attempt to identify key contributions suggests that we are far from common agreement on the conceptual, methodological, or practical contributions to the information science field.
- Information Science: What Is It? H. Borko 19(1), 3-5. 1968 Information science is that discipline that investigates the properties and behavior of information, the forces governing the flow of information, and the means of processing information for optimum accessibility and usability.
- The Scientific Premises of Information Science. Victor Rosenberg 1974 25(4), 263-269.
 - I believe that the notion of man as a mechanical device and the notion that human behavior can be perfectly replicated by computers are fundamental wrong. . . . A more holistic approach is needed. . . . We must begin to look at the interrelationships between various parts of the information environment. . . . To deal effectively with the transcendent qualities of human communication we must admit as scientific evidence the intuitive, the subjective, and the experiential.
- Information Science and the Phenomenon of Information. Nicholas 1976 J. Belkin, & Stephen E. Robertson 27(4), 197-204.
 - ... the fundamental phenomena of information science are deduced: the text and its structure, the structure of the recipient and changes in that structure, and the structure of the sender and the structuring of the text.

- 1977 Variety Generation—A Reinterpretation of Shannon's Mathematical Theory of Communication, and Its Implications for Information Science. Michael F. Lynch 28(1), 19-25. The conventional interpretation of Shannon's mathematical theory of communication in relation to textual material is unduly restrictive and unhelpful. A reinterpretation which is based on the definition of new symbol sets, comprising approximately equally-frequent strings of characters, is presented.
- Entropy and Information: A Multidisciplinary Overview. Debora 1983 Shaw, & Charles H. Davis 34(1), 67-74. The concept of entropy, from the second law of thermodynamics, has been used by numerous writers on information theory.
- Information as Thing. Michael K. Buckland 42(5), 351-360. 1991 Three meanings of 'information' are distinguished: 'information-as-process'; 'information-as-knowledge'; and 'information-as-thing'....
- The Communication-Information Relationship in System—Theoretic 1992 Perspective. Brent D. Ruben 43(1), 15-27. There is a growing recognition that information and communication are interrelated in very fundamental ways.
- Operationalizing the Notion of Information as a Subjective Construct. 1994 Charles Cole 45(7), 465-476.
- Information Calculus for Information Retrieval. C. J. van Rijsbergen, 1996 & M. Lalmas 47(5), 385-398. The theory, which is based on Situation Theory, is expressed with a calculus defined on channels. The calculus was defined so that it satisfies properties that are attributed to information and its flows. This paper demonstrates the connection between this calculus and Information Retrieval, and proposes a model of an Information Retrieval system based on this calculus.

Theoretical information retrieval system design

- Machine Literature Searching I. A General Approach. J.W. Perry, Allen 1954 Kent, & M.M. Berry 5(1), 18-22 (first of a series of 10 articles). The lengthening time required for searching larger and larger indexes and for consulting expanding collections of abstracts has become a source of mounting concern. Modern automatic equipment is able to scan and recognize index entries made in the form of holes on punched cards, magnetized spots on magnetic tape. . . .
- 1962 Indexing and Abstracting by Association. Lauren B. Doyle 13(4), 378–390. This article discusses the possibility of exploiting the statistics of word co-occurrence in text for purposes of document retrieval. . . . It is shown that the most strongly co-occurring word pairs, which are therefore 'associated' in a statistical sense, can be represented in the form of an 'association map.'

- 1963 A Generalized Computer Method for Information Retrieval. Claire K. Schultz 14(1), 39-48.
 - A generalized method is given for performing information retrieval by computer.... A block process diagram, a detailed flow chart for application to a computer, and a description of the application are provided.
- The Evaluation of Automatic Retrieval Procedures-Selected Test 1965 Results Using the SMART System. Gerard Salton 16(3), 209–222.
- 1969 Word-Word Associations in Document Retrieval Systems. M.E. Lesk 20(1), 27-38. The SMART automatic document retrieval system is used to study

association procedures for automatic content analysis. . . . There is little overlap between word relationships found through associations and those used in thesaurus construction, and the effects of word associations and a thesaurus in retrieval are independent.... A properly constructed thesaurus, however, offers better performance than statistical association methods.

- A Clustering Algorithm Based on User Queries. Clement T. Yu 25(4), 1974 218-226.
- 1978 On the Nature of Fuzz: A Diatribe. Stephen E. Robertson 29(6), 304–307. The imprecision of some of the concepts which are used in formal models in information science has led to a spate of attempts to apply fuzzy set theory to aspects of information science. An analysis of the various kinds of imprecision that can occur indicates strongly that fuzzy set theory is not an appropriate formalism for these models.
- A Comparison of Two Systems of Weighted Boolean Retrieval. A. 1981 Bookstein 32(4), 275-279. A major deficiency of traditional Boolean systems is their inability to represent the varying degrees to which a document may be written on a subject. In this article we isolate a number of criteria that should be met by any Boolean system generalized to have a weighting capability.
- Fuzzy Relational Databases: Representational Issues and Reduction 1987 Using Similarity Measures. Henri Prade, & Claudette Testemale 38(2), 118-126.
 - The proposed similarity measure, based on a fuzzy Hausdorff distance, estimates the mismatch between two possibility distributions.
- l³R: A New Approach to the Design of Document Retrieval Systems. 1987 W.B. Croft, & R.H. Thompson 38(6), 389-404. The system uses a novel architecture to allow more than one system facility to be used at a given stage of a search session. Users influence the system actions by stating goals they wish to achieve, by evaluating system output, and by choosing particular facilities directly.
- Indexing by Latent Semantic Analysis. Scott Deerwester, Susan T. 1990 Dumais, George W. Furnas, & Thomas K. Landauer 41(6), 391-407. A new method for automatic indexing and retrieval is described. . . . The particular technique used is singular-value decomposition, in

- which a large term by document matrix is decomposed into a set of ca. 100 orthogonal factors from which the original matrix can be approximated by linear combination.
- User-Based Document Clustering by Redescribing Subject Descriptions 1991 with a Genetic Algorithm. Michael D. Gordon 42(5), 311-322. This article reports that clusters of co-relevant documents obtain increasingly similar descriptions when a genetic algorithm is used to adapt subject descriptions so that documents become more effective in matching relevant queries and failing to match nonrelevant queries.
- Machine Learning for Information Retrieval: Neural Networks, 1995 Symbolic Learning, and Genetic Algorithms. Hsinchun Chen 46(3), 194-216. These newer techniques, which are grounded on diverse paradigms, have provided great opportunities for researchers to enhance the information processing and retrieval capabilities of current information storage and retrieval systems.
- Inter-Record Linkage Structure in a Hypertext Bibliographic Retrieval 1996 System. Dietmar Wolfram 46(10), 765-774. The author explores inter-record linkage relationships of a bibliographic hypertext system through the use of descriptor term co-occurrences.... The observed distribution of term co-occurrences using term sizes follows a complex, but regular relationship.
- Clustering and Classification of Large Document Bases in a Parallel 1997 Environment. Anthony S. Ruocco, & Ophir Frieder 48(10), 932-943. Development of cluster-based search systems has been hampered by prohibitive times involved in clustering large document sets. . . . We propose the use of parallel computing systems to overcome the computationally intense clustering process.
- Application of Rough Sets to Information Retrieval. Sadaaki Miyamoto 1998 49(3), 195-205. After a brief review of fuzzy sets, rough sets, and a fuzzy logical model for information retrieval, rough approximations for retrieved data are defined. The approximations are considered for both crisp and fuzzy cases.
- Coordinating Computer-Supported Cooperative Work: A Review of 1998 Research Issues and Strategies. Jonathan K. Kies, Robert C. Williges, & Mary Beth Rosson 49(9), 776-791.

Information retrieval system evaluation

- 1964 Testing Indexes and Index Language Devices: The ASLIB Cranfield Project. F.W. Lancaster, & J. Mills 15(1), 4-13.
- Expected Search Length: A Single Measure of Retrieval Effectiveness 1968 Based on the Weak Ordering Action of Retrieval Systems. William S. Cooper 19(1), 30-41.

The new measure is based on calculations of the expected number of irrelevant documents in the collection which would have to be searched through before the desired number of relevant documents could be found.

- The Browser's Retrieval Game. Siegfried Treu 19(4), 404–410. The user starts with any single term(s) or term pair(s), 'browses' through the available index term vocabulary 'aisles' by means of a display console, and finally arrives at the game's objective: Either a query in terms of pair(s) of highly associated terms or the conclusion that the subject of interest is not represented.
- 1969 Effectiveness of Information Retrieval Methods. John A. Swets 20(I), 72–89.
 Results of some 50 different retrieval methods applied in three experimental retrieval systems were subjected to the analysis suggested by statistical decision theory. The analysis validates a previously proposed measure of effectiveness and demonstrates its several desirable properties.
- Performing Evaluation Studies in Information Science. Rowena Weiss Swanson *26*(3), 140–156.

 The state-of-the-art of evaluation study in information science is analyzed with respect to 1. the scope of evaluation studies; 2. the use of laboratory-type environments; 3. the use of surrogate judges; 4. selection of variables; 5. frequency of study; and 6. comparability of study results.
- 1978 Evaluation of Information Retrieval Systems: A Decision Theory Approach. Donald H. Kraft, & Abraham Bookstein 29(1), 31–40. The Swets model of information retrieval, based on a decision theory approach, is discussed. . . . lt is seen that when the variances are unequal, the Swets rule of retrieving a document if its *Z* value is large enough is not optimal.
- 1978 The Application of Multiple-Criteria Utility Theory to the Evaluation of Information Systems. Saul Herner, & Kurt J. Snapper 29(6), 289–296.
- Optimal Values of Recall and Precision. Tore Olafsen, & Libena Vokac 33(2), 92-96.
 When the cost structure is known, the optimal value of recall and the optimal value of precision can be found.
- 1988 Performance Measures of Information Retrieval Systems—An Experimental Approach. John J. Regazzi 39(4), 235–251.

 The study finds that there is no operational difference between the relevance-theoretic and the utility-theoretic model of evaluation. It further suggests the need for performance measures based upon a complex set of factors including document and information attributes, the judge, and other environmental factors, particularly the effects of learning during the evaluation process.
- Evaluation of Advanced Retrieval Techniques in an Experimental Online Catalog. Ray R. Larson 43(1), 34–53.

Understanding Performance in Information Systems: Blending 1995 Relevance and Competence. Myke Gluck 46(6), 446-460.

> The article . . . reports the results of an experiment that used a generalized geographic information system to illustrate how collecting and analyzing data simultaneously from both a system and user views of performance can suggest improvements for information systems.

1996 Some Perspectives on the Evaluation of Information Retrieval Systems. Jean M. Tague-Sutcliffe 47(1), 1-3.

> These problems include the question of the necessity of using real users, as opposed to subject experts, in making relevance judgments, the possibility of evaluating individual components of the retrieval process, rather than the process as a whole, the kinds of aggregation that are appropriate for the measures used.... the difficulties in evaluating interactive systems, and the kinds of generalization which are possible from information retrieval tests.

The Dilemma of Measurement in Information Retrieval Research. 1996 David Ellis 47(1), 23–36.

> The problem of measurement in information retrieval research is traced to its source in the first retrieval tests. . . . Finally, it is concluded that the original vision of information retrieval research as a discipline founded on quantification proved restricting for its theoretical and methodological development and that increasing recognition of this is reflected in growing interest in qualitative methods in information retrieval research in relation to the cognitive, behavioral, and affective aspects of the information retrieval interaction.

Evaluating Interactive Systems in TREC. Micheline Beaulieu, Stephen 1996 Robertson, & Edie Rasmussen 47(1), 85-94.

The TREC (Text Retrieval Conference) experiments were designed to allow large-scale laboratory testing of information retrieval techniques. . . . groups within TREC have become increasingly interested in finding ways to allow user interaction without invalidating the experimental design.

Writing with Collaborative Hypertext: Analysis and Modeling. Chaomei 1997 Chen 48(11), 1049-1066.

> Markov chain models are derived from the empirical data on the use of the system.

Relevance

1964 The Notion of Relevance (I). Donald J. Hillman 15(1), 26-34. Analysis of the problems of defining the mutual relevancies of queries and document-collections indicates that they essentially involve the problem of conceptual relatedness.

- The Consistency of Human Judgments of Relevance. A. Resnick, & 1964 T.R. Savage 15(2), 93-95. The results showed that . . . humans are able to make such judgments consistently.
- RELEVANCE: A Review of and a Framework for the Thinking on the 1975 Notion in Information Science. Tefko Saracevic 26(6), 321–343. In the most fundamental sense, relevance has to do with effectiveness of communication.
- Pictures of Relevance: A Geometric Analysis of Similarity Measures. 1987 William P. Jones, & George W. Furnas 38(6), 420-442. A geometric analysis is advanced and its utility demonstrated through its application to six conventional information retrieval similarity measures and a seventh *spreading activation* measure.
- 1992 Psychological Relevance and Information Science. Stephen P. Harter 43(9), 602-615. The objective sense of relevance as 'on the topic' is curious, in that it is far removed from the way in which we use the words 'relevant' and 'relevance' in their everyday senses.
- User-Defined Relevance Criteria: An Exploratory Study. Carol L. Barry 1994 45(3), 149-159. The results indicate that the criteria employed by users included tangible characteristics of documents . . . subjective qualities (e.g., agreement with the information provided by the document) and situational factors....
- Topical Relevance Relationships. I. Why Topic Matching Fails. Rebecca 1995 Green 46(9), 646-653.

Design and evaluation of operational information retrieval systems

Multiple Coding and the Rapid Selector. Carl S. Wise, & James W. Perry 1950 I(2), 76-83.

> Punched cards have permitted us to take the first steps toward developing systems of information analysis capable of permitting searches to be directed to new, unforeseen combinations of entities, concepts and operations.... The coding method to be considered, as developed by one of us (CSW) for 'Keysort' cards, permits coding to be based on a vocabulary of 456,976 concepts, of which any sixteen (or less) may be coded on a single card.

Information Storage and Retrieval Using a Large Scale Random Access 1959 Memory. J.J. Nolan 10(1), 27-35.

The unit shown . . . is the first really large scale random access memory device. It is the IBM RA-MAC. . . . The arm may be moved vertically to any of the 50 disks and laterally to any of 100 concentric recording

- tracks. Each track has a capacity of 1000 characters, 500 on the top surface and 500 on the bottom of each disk. Each disk, therefore, has a capacity of 100,000 characters, or a total of five million for the 50 disks.
- The MARLIS: A Multi-Aspect Relevance Linkage Information Sys-1960 tem—Present Position and Future Needs. B.C. Vickery 11(2), 97-101.
- 1960 Exploitation of Recorded Information. I. Development of an Operational Machine Searching Service for the Literature of Metallurgy and Allied Subjects. Allen Kent 11(2), 173-188.
- The Historical Development and Present State-of-the-Art of Mecha-1961 nized Information Retrieval Systems. Charles P. Bourne 12(2), 108–110. The last ten years of equipment development and the application of mechanization techniques are reviewed for each of several functionally separate approaches, such as punched-card systems, computer systems, and magnetic media systems.
- 1961 Selective Dissemination of New Scientific Information with the Aid of Electronic Processing Equipment. H.P. Luhn 12(2), 131–138. Improvement of scientific communication is sought through machine assisted dissemination of new information. A service system is described in which a new document is characterized by a vocabulary or pattern of keywords. This pattern is then compared with the vocabularies or profiles characterizing each of the participants of the service. If a given degree of similarity exists between the two, the affected participants are notified by a card carrying an abstract.... Profiles are kept current by discarding patterns after they have reached a certain age.
- 1964 Boeing SLIP: Computer Produced and Maintained Printed Book Catalogs. Edward A. Weinstein, & Joan Spry 15(3), 185–190.
- An On-Line Technical Library Reference Retrieval System. D.L. Drew, 1966 R.K. Summit, R.I. Tanaka, & R.B. Whiteley 17(1), 3-7. In October 1964, Lockheed Missiles & Space Company (LMSC) started to experiment with an on-line reference retrieval system which uses a coordinate search strategy. . . . The current system and the secondgeneration design using a 'dialogue' are briefly described.
- MEDLARS: Report on the Evaluation of Its Operating Efficiency. F.W. 1969 Lancaster 20(2), 119-142. The Medical Literature Analysis and Retrieval System (MEDLARS)... is a multipurpose system, a prime purpose being the production of *Index Medicus* and other recurring bibliographies. However, the present study concentrated on the evaluation of the demand search function (i.e., the conduct of retrospective literature searches in response to specific demands).
- Squibb Science Information System: Computerized Selective Dis-1975 semination, Current Awareness, and Retrospective Searching of Pharmaceutical Literature. S.J. Frycki, P.A. Roskos, C.F. Gerity, & I.S. Levett 26(3), 174-183.

- A combination of internally written PL/I and COBOL programs and the INQUIRE® data management system provide the software required to perform the operations on an IBM 370/155 computer with one megabyte of core storage....
- Towards Everyday Language Information Retrieval Systems via 1979 Minicomputers. Colin Bell, & Kevin P. Jones 30(6), 334-339.
- The Use of Computer-Monitored Data in Information Science and 1983 Communication Research. Ronald E. Rice, & Christine L. Borgman 34(4), 247-256.
- 1984 Testing of a Natural Language Retrieval System for a Full Text Knowledge Base. Lionel M. Bernstein, & Robert E. Williamson 35(4), 235-247. . . . a retrieval system which combines use of probabilistic, linguistic, and empirical means to rank individual paragraphs of full text for their similarity to natural language queries proposed by users.
- 1986 An Intelligent System for Document Retrieval in Distributed Office Environments. Uttam Mukho-padhyay, Larry M. Stephens, Michael N. Huhns, & Ronald D. Bonnell. 37(3), 123-135. MINDS (Multiple Intelligent Node Document Servers) is a distributed system of knowledge-based query engines for efficiently retrieving multimedia documents in an office environment of distributed workstations.
- Design Considerations for CD-ROM Retrieval Software. Edward M. 1988 Cichocki, & Susan M. Ziemer 39(1), 43-46.
- 1991 Nonmaterialized Relations and the Support of Information Retrieval Applications by Relational Database Systems. Clifford A. Lynch 42(6), 389-396. A new query processing strategy called nonmaterialized relations is proposed which should significantly improve the ability of relational systems to support IR applications without requiring changes to the
- Extended Subject Access to Hypertext Online Documentation. Parts 1991 I and II: The Search-Support and Maintenance Problems. T.R. Girill, Thomas Griffin, & Robert B. Jones 42(6), 414-426.

SQL query language interface.

- 1991 Imaging: Fine Arts. Howard Besser 42(8), 589-596. We look at general image quality issues including image capture, resolution, and display, and then turn our attention to the uses of imaging technology for conservation and preservation purposes.
- Multimedia and Comprehension: The Relationship among Text, 1995 Animation, and Captions. Andrew Large, Jamshid Beheshti, Alain Breuleux, & Andre Renaud 46(5), 340-347.
- 1996 Evaluation of Interactive Knowledge-Based Systems: Overview and Design for Empirical Testing. F.W. Lancaster, Jacob W. Ulvila, Susanne M. Humphrey, Linda C. Smith, Bryce Allen, & Saul Herner 47(1), 57–69.
- 1996 Networked Information Retrieval and Organization: Issues and Questions. Joseph W. Janes, & Louis B. Rosenfeld 47(9), 711-715.

- The creation of guides to resources on the Internet specific to particular subjects have [sic] raised a number of interesting questions and issues.
- The Effectiveness of the Electronic City Metaphor for Organizing 1996 the Menus of Free-Nets. Elaine G. Toms, & Mark T. Kinnucan 47(12), 919-931.
- 1998 Intelligent Information Agents: Review and Challenges for Distributed Information Sources. Donna S. Haverkamp, & Susan Gauch 49(4), 304-311.
 - There are many approaches, both theoretical and implemented, to using intelligent software agents for information retrieval purposes. These approaches range from desktop agents specialized for a single user to networks of agents used to collect data from distributed information sources, including Web sites.
- A Smart Itsy Bitsy Spider for the Web. Hsinchun Chen, Yi-Ming Chung, 1998 Marshall Ramsey, & Christopher C. Yang 49(7), 604-618.
- 1998 Architecture, Design, and Development of an HTML/JavaScript Web-Based Group Support System. Nicholas C. Romano, Jr., Jay F. Nunamaker, Jr., Robert O. Briggs, & Douglas R. Vogel 49(7), 649-667.
- Design Considerations in Instrumenting and Monitoring Web-Based 1998 Information Retrieval Systems. Michael D. Cooper 49(10), 903–919.
- Web Search Engines. Candy Schwartz 49(11), 973-982. 1998

Indexing systems and techniques

- Unit Terms in Coordinate Indexing. Mortimer Taube, C.D. Gull, & 1952 Irma S. Wachtel 3(4), 213-218.
 - During the past six months, Documentation Incorporated has established an experimental coordinate index under a research program made possible by the Armed Services Technical Information Agency (ASTIA).... The procedure was not to re-index the reports but to use the subject headings on the TID and DSC cards as the basis for developing appropriate terms for two coordinate indexes, one for each group of cards. . . . The method of coordinate indexing was first described in two papers prepared about two years ago by Dr. Taube.
- The Thesaurus Approach to Information Retrieval. T. Joyce, & R.M. 1958 Needham 9(3), 192-197.
 - ... the employment of a large number of terms, when indexing a collection of documents, must somehow take account of the existence of synonyms. On the other hand, the employment of a comparatively small number, particularly if the notions represented by the terms are not supposed to overlap, makes the indexing process considerably more difficult. These disadvantages can be avoided if a thesaurus is employed....

- 1960 Keyword-in-Context Index for Technical Literature (KWIC Index). H.P. Luhn II(4), 288-295.
 - A distinction is made between bibliographical indexes for new and past literature based on the willingness of the user to trade perfection for currency. Indexes giving keywords in their context are proposed as suitable for disseminating new information.
- 1965 An Experiment in Automatic Indexing. Fred J. Damerau 16(4), 283–289. This report describes a method of indexing documents which is based on the assumptions, (I) that a subset of the words in a document can be an effective index to that document and, (2) that this subject can be approximated by selecting those words from the document whose frequencies are statistically unexpectedly high.
- Development of an Integrated Energy Vocabulary and the Possibilities 1976 for On-Line Subject Switching. R.T. Niehoff 27(1), 3-17. Eleven vocabularies were analyzed and integrated.
- Classification from PRECIS: Some Possibilities. Phyllis A. Richmond 1976 27(4), 240-247.
 - The PREserved Context Index System (PRECIS) developed for subject indexing for the British National Bibliography is discussed as a basis for various studies relating to classification which could be made from its initial phrases, strings, entries and back-up structure.
- 1987 Knowledge-Based Indexing of the Medical Literature: The Indexing Aid Project. Susanne M. Humphrey, & Nancy E. Miller 38(3), 184-196. The system uses an experimental frame-based knowledge representation language, FrameKit, implemented in Franz Lisp. The initial prototype is designed to interact with trained MEDLINE indexers who will be prompted to enter subject terms as slot values in filling in document-specific frame data structures that are derived from the knowledge-base frames.
- Cataloging and Expert Systems: AACR2 as a Knowledge Base. Roland 1989 Hjerppe, & Birgitta Olander 40(1), 27-44.
- Automatic Derivation of Name Access Points in Cataloging. Elaine 1990 Svenonius, & Mavis Molto 41(4), 254-263. Results show that approximately 88% of the access points selected by the Library of Congress or the National Library of Medicine could be automatically derived from title page data.
- A Method for Automatically Abstracting Visual Documents. Mark E. 1993 Rorvig 44(1), 40-56.
 - Visual documents—motion sequences on film, video-tape, and digital recordings—constitute a major source of information for the Space Agency.... This article describes a method for automatically selecting key frames from visual documents. These frames may in turn be used to represent the total image sequence. . . . The performance of the abstracting algorithm reduces 51 minutes of video sequences to 134 frames: a reduction of information in the range of 700:1.

- GIPSY: Automated Geographic Indexing of Text Documents. Allison 1994 Gyle Woodruff, & Christian Plaunt 45(9), 645-655. Under this algorithm, words and phrases containing geographic place names or characteristics are extracted from a text document and used as input to database functions which use spatial reasoning to approximate statistically the geoposition being referenced in the text.
- Interactive Thesaurus Navigation: Intelligence Rules OK? Susan Jones, 1995 Mike Gatford, Steve Robertson, Micheline Hancock-Beaulieu, Judith Secker, & Steve Walker 46(1), 52-59. We discuss whether it is feasible to build intelligent rule- or weight-based algorithms into general-purpose software for interactive thesaurus navigation.... The results cause us to question many of the assumptions made by previous researchers in this area.
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