

# GReAT Model: A Model for the Automatic Generation of Semantic Relations between Text Summaries based on the Relevant Information to the User.

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## ***Abstract.***

The large available amount of non-structured texts that belong to different domains such as healthcare (e.g. medical records), justice (e.g. laws, declarations), insurance (e.g. declarations), etc. increases the effort required for the analysis of information in a decision making process. Different projects and tools have proposed strategies to reduce this complexity by classifying, summarizing or annotating the texts. Particularly, text summary strategies have proven to be very useful to provide a compact view of an original text. However, the available strategies to generate these summaries do not fit very well within the domains that require take into consideration the temporal dimension of the text (e.g. a recent piece of text in a medical record is more important than a previous one) and the profile of the person who requires the summary (e.g. the medical specialization). To cope with these limitations this paper presents "GReAT" a model for automatic summary generation that relies on natural language processing and text mining techniques to extract the most relevant information from narrative texts and discover new information from the detection of related information. GReAT Model was implemented on software to be validated in a health institution where it has shown to be very useful to display a preview of the information about medical health records and discover new facts and hypotheses within the information. Several tests were executed such as Functionality, Usability and Performance regarding to the implemented software. In addition, precision and recall measures were applied on the results obtained through the implemented tool, as well as on the loss of information obtained by providing a text more shorter than the original.

## ***Keywords:***

Topic Identification, User's Profile, Text Mining, Automatic Summary Generation Techniques, Semantic Relations

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## 1.Introduction

During the last thirty years the information systems have stored huge amounts of information in different formats, in some areas or domains such as healthcare (e.g. medical records), justice (e.g. sworn declarations), assurance (e.g. declaration) and insurance (e.g. Research articles and reports). A lot of this information is stored as narrative texts, hindering its use for the decision making processes. The process of discovering the knowledge contained in these texts, or creating new hypotheses according to them include a lot of time and effort [14],[24] that cannot be afforded by most organizations.

Generally, this problem remains a constant challenge due to the difficulty of organizations to absorb and use the information they need. It should be noted that, the limits on the reading speed of a human being make it impossible to capture the key information in a short time when there is a large amount of text [18]. Therefore, organizations need an increasingly intelligent use of information and technology to achieve a more efficient management of data they accumulate [7].

Given that the information overload on an issue creates difficulties to understand it, and also, as Feldman mentioned [33], you can find the previously unknown information not only contained in a single text but in a collection of texts, or within related information for example, in electronic medical records you can find a lot of information that is contained in the annotations made by doctors such as links of interest or comparable groups exposed to a risk factor, being very useful in medical research or administrative analysis.

To achieve the proper management of this unstructured information (text) the typical approach is to use information retrieval techniques as search engines do. However, the amount of information obtained is still above what a person can handle and manage [36]. A more efficient process for the discovery of new information or knowledge known as Text Mining, allows the automatic extraction of different collections of documents for the discovery of patterns or trends that are not known [15].

To cope these problems this paper presents GReAT a model for automatic generation of semantic relations between text summaries based on the identification of relevant topics that relies on natural language processing and text mining techniques to extract the most relevant information from narrative texts focused on the requirements and profile of the end user. GReAT is an extraction based model of summary generation which principle is to identify the relevant categories for the user through the text and to identify the information that is relevant to his profile generating an adequate, concise and high quality text summary. In addition, it is a model that generates semantic relations between these text summaries to provide a comprehensive overview of existing and related information. Experimental results show the relevance and applicability on the tasks of the users.

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 compares GReAT with important proposals and illustrates the main strategies of text summary generation and generation of semantic relations, Section 3 shows the General Process of the Proposed Model -

GReAT for the automatic generation of semantic relations between text summaries, Section 4 describes the prototype implemented to validate the proposed model, Section 5 evaluates the functionality of GReAT through its application in a study case in the healthcare domain and finally, Section 6 presents the Conclusions and Future Work.

## 2 State of the Art

### 2.1 Generation of Summaries

To face these narrative information overload problems, different summary generation approaches have been proposed. There are mainly two approaches to perform this task: Statistical and Linguistic Methods. The statistical methods are independent of the language and are based on the frequency of words or take into account the title, headings, position and the length of the sentence. On the other hand, linguistic methods include discourse structure and lexical chains [41]. Some proposals of this method use Clustering based strategies that group together phrases with similar characteristics, however, they have had accuracy problems due to the ambiguous terms of a language.

Some commercial tools are based on basic statistical approaches, and rely heavily on a particular format or writing style, such as the position of the text or some lexical words[30]. Similarly, most of the tools rely on methods or features such as centroid-based, position-based, frequency-based summarization or keywords to extract relevant sentences to the summary such as MEAD, Dragon ToolKit [43], LexRank [11]. There are methods based on abstraction, which are more complicated compared to approaches based on extraction, so there are still problems regarding semantic representation, inference and natural language generation [42]. ML (Machine Learning) and IR (Information Retrieval) algorithms are needed to achieve a good similarity measure between documents, since there are many problems while computing the similarity between documents due to ambiguities in the used vocabulary. That is, if two documents or publications discuss the same topic, they may use different vocabulary while being semantically similar.

Some aspects have been obtained through the analysis of various works that have used the most common techniques within the area of text mining for text summary generation. This analysis is consolidated in Table 1, which shows comparative features related to how to select the relevant phrases and build up the summary, including: Frequency, Topics, Profile, Sequentiality, Duplicity and Noise. The symbol "X" indicates that the project contains the features represented in the table and the meaning of each one of these are described below: i) Frequency: Indicates if the project takes into account the frequency of words to extract relevant sentences to the text summary. ii) Topics: Indicates if the project takes into account the topics in the text that are important to the user to generate the text summary. iii) User Profile: Indicates if the project gives importance to the characteristics of the end-user groups to generate the text summary. iv) Sequentiality: Indicates if the project maintains the sequentiality of the original text to form the summary in the chronological order in which it was stored. v) Duplicity: Indicates if the project eliminates the duplicity of information in the text. vi) Noise: Indicates if the project eliminates the noise of natural language by bad writing or bad typing in the text.

Table 1. Relevance of Sentences

Project	Frequency	Topics	Profile	Sequentiality	Duplicity	Noise
[20]		X	X			
[40]	X	X	X			X
[12]	X	X				
[36]	X					
[21]	X					
[5]	X				X	
[22]	X					
[19]	X	X				
[9]		X				
[25]	X	X	X	X	X	
[24]	X					X
[32]	X					
[30]	X	X				
[11]	X					
[10]		X		X	X	
[16]	X					
[41]	X	X				X
[2]	X			X	X	

In conclusion, none of the compared projects contains all of the mentioned features and do have some limitations to be taken into account in this project with the proposed model. Among the challenges and opportunities identified in the literature to be considered for the automatic generation of text summaries are: i) To improve the quality and coherence of the summaries removing the duplicity of information, ii) Adapt summaries to every user according to their needs of information taking into account the different topics that are often important to the end-user in a specific domain and user’s profile. iii) Keep the sequentiality of the original document. iv) Detect noise in text collections due to the use of natural language.

## 2.2 Generation of Relations

In the analysis performed on the methods for the generation of relations between terms we found in most of these works the issue know as "Problem vocabulary", since different languages are ambiguous, the knowledge of the semantic relations between all possible words and phrases is required. To accomplish this task it is believed that one must first solve all the other problems related to Natural Language Processing such as the natural language understanding, common-sense reasoning and logical thinking, however, taking into account some semantic relations to relate the generated text summaries.

In the table 2 the techniques, characteristics and strategies used in the consulted works have been consolidated, showing some opportunities and challenges to be addressed by our proposed model for the detection of semantic relations :

Table 2. Generation of Relations

Project	Taxonomy	Profile	Matrices	Frequency	Granularity	Keywords
[25]				X		X
[28]				X		
[17]		X				
[34]			X	X		
[27]	X				X	X
[26]	X					
[14]						X
[1]				X	X	
[31]					X	

This table contains the following information: Taxonomy, Profile, Matrices, Frequency, Granularity and Keywords. The symbol " X" indicates that the project contains the features represented in the table and the meaning of each one of these is described below: i) Taxonomy: Indicates if the project used external knowledge within

your solution or not. ii) **User Profile:** Indicates if the project takes or not into account the information needs or characteristics of the user. iii) **Matrices:** Indicates if the project stores the collection of concepts that are closely related semantically in a matrix of similarity, inference or interest. v) **Frequency:** Indicates if the project performs an analysis of the frequency of words to identify the keywords that relate the content. vi) **Granularity:** Indicates if the project takes or not into account or not (besides the semantic similarity between the contents) one or more degrees of similarity between the contents. vii) **Keywords:** Indicates if the project represents or not documents with keywords to estimate similarity efficiently. In conclusion neither project contains all the features mentioned, which are taken into account in our project to improve the detection and visualization of relations with the proposed model. This includes the following challenges and opportunities: i) To provide various types of relation displays allowing to cover different information needs of users, ii) Show the relations according to the needs and information granularities of the user, taking into account the different topics that are often important to a person in a specific domain, iii) Display the contents which do not have any relation, in order to find particular cases within the content, iv) Detect the high or low degree of similarity between summaries, considering the most relevant and similar words that the summaries possess.

### **3 GReAT Model**

This model is divided into two components, the first one is responsible for analyzing unstructured content found in the narrative text, allowing the realization of a summary that consolidates the most relevant information using text mining techniques and the second one is responsible for generating the semantic relations between these text summaries generated with the first component, according to the categories or topics of interest prior predefined by the user. This model is named **GReAT** (acronym Model for Automatic Generation of Relations between Text Summaries). This model consists of a series of processes, initially in order to generate the narrative summaries, and subsequently to generate the semantic relations between text summaries generated with the first component of the model. Each one of the components is described in detail:

#### **3.1 Component for Text Summaries Generation**

Among the main concepts to keep in mind to understand the first component:

**Summary:** Its task is to extract a smaller document in size but keeping the relevant information from the original document, i.e., automatically creates a comprehensible version of a given text, providing useful information to the user [16]. GReAT is a model that produces summaries with the following characteristics: Multi-Domain, Specific Domain, Topic Oriented and Summary Based on Extraction. It uses several techniques of Text Mining, such as: Tokenization, Chunking, Named Entity Extraction, among others.

**Multi-Domain:** The summary is generated from multiple input documents [42].

**Specific Domain:** The summary is generated from multiple input documents, but considering the context or domain in which it was written.

**Summary Based on Extraction:** The summary is generated with phrases that are included literally. This strategy produces a summary by selecting a subset of sentences from the original document.

**Topic Oriented approaches:** It focuses on a user's topic of interest, extracting text information that is related to the specific topic. Its approach is to identify significant topics within the data set and generate the topical structure based on these topics [41]. Its principles are based on taking into account some considerations to extract knowledge or generate an adequate summary such as: quality, consistency, adaptation, duplicity, user profile, noise and sequentiality, obtained from the analysis of the state of the art detailed in the section 2.

The processes that are part of the component are presented in Figure 1. It consists of three main processes: Preprocessing, Identification of Categories and Extraction of Candidate Phrases. Preprocessing step is divided into several tasks: Stop-words, Tokenization, Spelling and Filtering, in the following sections each one of these steps is explained in detail.

At the beginning of the process, User Profile, Search Filter and Corpus (collection of documents) are received as input information. For instance in a health domain, the User Profile is comprised of: The keywords that identify the user's profile, in the case of a physician anesthesiologist, the keywords could be anesthesia, local, general. The Search Filter is comprised of: a date range (start date and end date) of the patients' medical records, the categories or topics of interest on which the user wants to generate the summary (including: Diseases, Drugs, Exams). The keywords associated to a category allow to specify key words that the user wants to locate, the number of sentences required be displayed from each category and a Corpus or collection of documents that will consist on the patients' medical records in text narrative.

**1. Preprocessing:** This step is one of the most important in the text mining area, since its results will affect the performance and quality of the data in the subsequent phases, given the large number of words, phrases and sentences there might be a large number of different forms for each of these elements to have in different contexts and combinations, therefore, this process will be a transformation of the input documents, in order to extract the most significant terms or "features" from the text. This process is divided into five main tasks: Stop- words, Tokenization, Spelling and Filtering, which are detailed below:

**Stop-words:** To address the problem of high dimensionality that commonly occurs in a text mining process, it is proposed to delete the words with little relevance to the language with the technique known as Stop-Words [6]. They are words that do not provide relevant information, such as articles, prepositions, among others. This process requires a dictionary of stops words of the language. High dimensionality means that the size and scale of the possible combinations of the values of the characteristics of data are large in text mining systems. The result of this phase will be the phrases of the text without the words considered as Stop-Words.

**Tokenization:** In order to obtain a text that is shorter than the original for the summary, it is necessary to divide the text into phrases that allow us to process information independently [13]. The output of this phase is the set of sentences that were divided by a tokenizer, in the case study the selected tokens were the tab spaces between lines. In addition to this, to get the information as uniform as possible, the Case folding technique is used, which seeks to convert all characters into the same kind of letter may be uppercase or lowercase letters, in the case study they become uppercase [38].

**Spelling:** Normally, natural language can make noise, ie, misspelled words. This phase performs a spelling check of the narrative text, which involves taking the text input and providing a corrected text. Spell Checking is performed on the Noisy-channel model, which models user errors (typographical) and expected user input (based on data) [8]. The errors are modeled by the weights of the Edit Distance technique and the expected input by the model language characters.

Edit distance technique measures the minimum number of edit operations (insertion, deletion, and substitution) to transform one string into another. Edit distance is selected because it can effectively capture typographic errors, words with alternative spellings, and does not rely on the separation of word boundaries [39]. This process requires a dictionary of words from the language and from specific domain. The result of this phase will be the correctly spelled phrases.

**Filtering:** This process proceeds to remove the redundancy of information found in these texts. To achieve this, we use a technique called Fixed Weight Edit Distance [23], where the simplest form of weighted edit distance simply sets a constant cost for each one of the edit operations: match, substitute, insert, delete, transpose. This general setup subsumes the Needleman-Wunsch algorithm used in molecular biology. This algorithm will maximize the number of matches between the sequences along the entire length of sequences. The output of this phase is the removal of common phrases to each other, leaving only one instance of them. This step is performed to eliminate duplication of information presented in the specific domain of the case of study which validated the model GReAT, therefore, it is an optional step.

**2. Identification of Categories:** This process consists of two tasks, Verify Search Filter and Phrases Annotation, which are described below:

**Verify Search Filter:** At this point of the process the words of specific domain or Knowledge Base, the User Profile and Search Filter have been defined. These are temporarily stored in the knowledge base to be taken into account in the next task. The output of this phase is knowledge base with words that are relevant to the user.

**Phrases Annotation:** Users can have different information search needs, so in this process we will identify the most relevant information to the user according to the words associated with the topics of interest defined in the knowledge base, user profile and search filter defined. For this, it performs a process of annotation of the words contained in the sentences resulting from the preprocessing phase.

An annotation is a layer attached to the text representation, relieving the linguistic structure in the text which can be coded as such (NN - noun), (IN- preposition) [3]. The annotations are used to identify important areas of a text that are useful to generate a summary [32].

To assign the annotations of words containing the phrases in a document to summarize, there is a technique known as Named Entity Extraction, which involves supervised training of a statistical model, or more direct methods such as a dictionary or regular expressions to classify texts or phrases of a document in a category. However, due to the lack of training data to perform the process of finding the entities or categories in the text, we will use a dictionary of specific domain and the technique used will be Chunking based on Dictionary, which aims to find adjacent words in a sentence that make sense being together. One example is "diabetes mellitus type I".

This phase will be based on the implementation of the matching text strings Aho-Corasick algorithm, which consists in finding all the alternatives against a dictionary independently of the number of matches or the size of the dictionary. This algorithm was invented by Alfred V. Aho and Margaret J. Corasick, being a kind of dictionary-search algorithm that locates elements of a finite set of strings (dictionary) in a text input [37].

The output of this phase is each phrase, together with the set of annotated words of the corresponding category, applying heuristics to eliminate phrases that have no set of annotated words on the categories selected by the user.

**3. Extraction of Candidate Phrases:** This phase involves finding key phrases to form the summary. After the preprocessing phase, which purpose was to debug the information and the phase of identification of phrases were performed, a list of phrases with words annotated to the categories selected by the user is generated to find the most relevant and adequate sentences. If the results are higher than the expected, it may require further filtering of information depending on the size of the summary that the user has selected. For this, the selection of phrases is performed by three filters: Weighting by Categories, Weighting by Frequency and Filtering by Categories, Frequency and Sequencing:

**Weighting by Categories:** To find the most relevant information in the texts, the technique known as LDA (Latent Dirichlet Allocation) will be used to automatically discover relevant topics in the phrases. LDA represents documents as mixtures of topics containing words with certain probabilities. It calculates the probability that the phrase belongs to the topic taking into account the total number of words that belong to a category or topic [4].

**Weighting by Frequency:** To find the most important information in the texts, we look the more particular information with particular words in texts. For each one of the words that were annotated for each sentence, we calculate the "TF-IDF" frequency on the complete document.

TF-IDF is a well known statistic measure used to evaluate how important a word is to a document corpus. The importance rises proportionally to the number of times a word appears in the document but it is countered by the frequency of the word in the corpus [12].

**Filtering by Categories, Frequency and Sequencing:** After the process computes the probability of each sentence into a category, the inverse frequency of the frequent words in each sentence, the total of annotated words for each phrase and the number of categories to which the phrase might belong, if the maximum number of phrases requested by the user is greater than the number of annotated sentences obtained in the "Identification of Categories" phase, it will get the ranking of each sentence, using the previously calculated values (probability, the inverse frequency, the number of annotated words and the number of categories).

This ranking is used to select the best sentences from each category. It is important to mention the application of several heuristics: 1) Only allowed to select a phrase once, even if it belongs to more than one category, avoiding duplication of information, 2) When there is a conflict between the values of the ranking of two phrases, it selects the newest phrase and 3) Annotated words that are repeated in several sentences are avoided to disallow duplication of phrases. The result of this phase is the summary of text phrases selected as the most important ones out of the original text. See Algorithm 1.

### 3.2 Component for Generating Relations between Text Summaries

The second part of Great Model corresponds to the detection of semantic relations between summaries generated with the first component described in the

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#### Algorithm 1 Extraction of Candidate Phrases

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Require: D: It is a text document, f: It's a phrase or paragraph that belongs to a document D.
Require: p: It is a word that belongs to a sentence or paragraph, a: It is a word annotated to a category, Pf,c: Value of the probability that a sentence f belongs to a category c, applying the "LDA technique".
Require: c: It is a category of information, U: It is the identifier of a user.
Require: U(c) ← c ∈ U: Set of categories selected by the user U, i.e.; U(c) = {c1, ..., cn}.
Require: f(p) ← p ∈ p: Set of annotated a words p belonging to a phrase f, where f(p) = {p1, ..., pn}.
Require: a(fr): Set of values annotated word-frequency a.
Require: f(a) ← a ∈ f: Set phrases f annotated words a belonging to the categories selected by the user U(c), where f(a) = {a1, ..., an}.
while ∃f(a) {While there are phrases f with annotated words a belonging to the categories selected by the user U(c)}. do
    while p ∈ f(p) {While there are p words a annotated belonging to a phrase f.} do
        if ∃ a(fr) {If the word annotated a not exist in the set word-frequency values a(fr)} then
            fr = 1 Assign frequency fr of the word annotated a a 1.
            Create a value word-frequency fr the set word-frequency values p(fr).
        else
            fr = fr + 1 Adding 1 to the frequency of the word annotated a. Update frequency-word value fr the set word-frequency values p(fr).
        end if end while
    Pf,c = LDA(f(p)) Get probability 1 of the set of annotated words f(p) of the phrase. Add probability Pf,c by category of each sentence f.
end while

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previous section. This component is based on the following principles: flexibility, adaptation, singularity and granularity which are explained below:

- i) **Flexibility:** Allows various types of visualization of relations, such as Graph and Tree, giving the possibility to adapt the visualization to the user's information needs, for example in the form of graph is significant for researchers where not known what information is related and what degree of similarity exists. As well as the form

of tree is significant for performing administrative tasks where required to group related information.

- ii) **Adaptation:** Allows to adapt relationships to each user according to their needs and granularities of information, taking into account the different topics that are often important for a person in a specific domain. For example it associates the words that correspond to the categories of information selected by the user,
- iii) **Singularity:** Displays content that does not have any relations, in order to find particular cases within the content,
- iv) **Granularity:** Display varying degrees of similarity between summaries considering the annotated words that they contain, the more annotated words they have in common the higher their degree of similarity.

To begin the analysis it has to be defined what a **Semantic Relation** is: Semantic relations between words refers to the relations of meaning between these, there are different types of semantic relations between words but for this model the semantic relations that are taken into account are the relations of Hyperonymy, Hyponymy, Meronymy and Holonym.

\* **Hyperonymy and hyponymy:** Relation "is-a". The most general term is the hypernym for example, Flower, and the most specific one is the hyponym for example a Rose.

\* **Meronymy and Holonym:** Establishes a hierarchy "part-of". The set is the holonym for example Boat, and the part is the meronym for example Anchor.

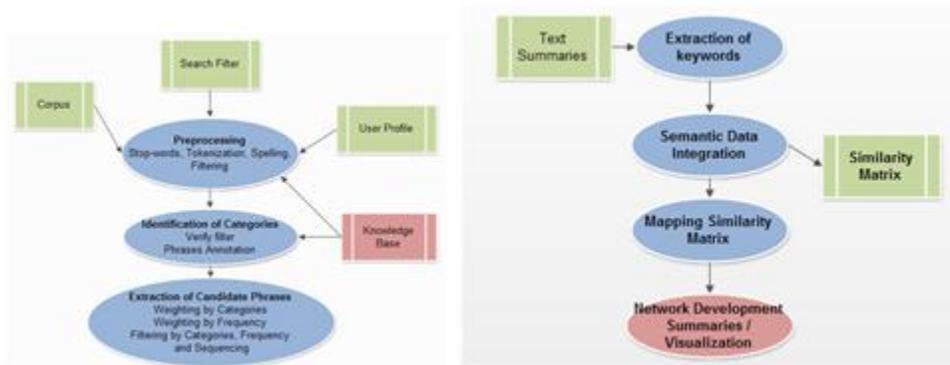


Fig. 1. Component for GenerationText Summarie Fig. 2. Component for Generation Relations between Text Summaries

In our model the hyponym is a word that is included within the hyper- nym, ie Disease (hypernym) and Diabetes (hyponym) and a document identifier (Holonym) and the word Diabetes (Meronym).

The first two relations will be reflected in the visualization in the form of Graph, where each relation is an edge that will be identified with a color that the user has defined for each hypernym or category, and each node represented by the identifier of a document will be the hyponym. The two following relations will be reflected in the visualization in the form of tree, where each relationship will be a branch of the tree, and each parent node is represented by a word meronym and each child node of the tree represented by an identifier of a document will be the holonym. Figures 3 and 4 show an example of each of the types of visualization of relations.

The processes comprising this component are presented in Figure 2, which were obtained after analysis to consolidate the processes consulted in literature [1], [28],[34]. As a result the obtained processes are: Extraction of Keywords, Semantic Data Integration, Mapping Matrix Similarity to Data Structures and Network Development Summaries / Visualization. Each one of the component processes are described in detail:

1. **Extraction of Keywords:** At this stage we identify keywords in text summaries generated by the first component of the GReAT Model, which will be associated through a similarity measure to reflect the semantic relations between the different information contents. In this process, the annotated words of each phrase of the text summaries are grouped in a vector for each summary.

2. **Semantic Data Integration:** During this phase a conceptual representation of the data and its relations is performed. Based on the vector of keywords obtained in the previous step, a similarity matrix is constructed to generate a similarity network to be displayed. To construct this matrix, relations between summaries are quantified in terms of distance or similarity between their vector of annotated words. To calculate the similarity, we use the technique mentioned above Edit-Distance. In the analysis of keywords, identifying the relations between them takes into account that the presence of a pattern or similarity implies the presence of a relation [38].

These relations will be stored in a matrix of similarity [34], where each dimension contains the identifier of the document that was summarized and within each matrix value, the common keywords between two pairs of identifier text summaries of a document are stored. The end result of this phase will be the similarity matrix formed between the identifiers of the documents that were summarized in the first component of the model.

3. **Mapping Matrix Similarity:** In the previous process we obtained a similarity matrix where the relations obtained after the process of comparison between the keywords of each summary are stored, using (dot product - Cartesian product) [25], between each set of words and each summary. This matrix must be mapped to a data structure that allows to develop more easily the network between text summaries. For this mapping, the comparisons between the values stored in the matrix are used to record properly in a data structure the nodes and edges of the network. The end result of this phase are two data structures that will allow displaying the two forms of visualization that the Model GReAT offers Graph and Tree.

4. **Network Development Summaries / Visualization (Graph and Tree):** For the process in which the network graphic summaries are developed, we found in the literature several points that are taken into account for this process: [29],[38]. On consolidation, the tasks that follow this model for network summaries are:

- 1) Collect data to visualize. 2) Analysis and mapping of the data to be visualized. 3) Deployment of the visualization interface.

In detail, at this process a feature extraction and key words indexing are used to construct a graphical representation of the collection of documents and to enable the user to quickly identify the main topics or concepts by its importance in rendering. With the graphical representation as a graph and tree, it is easy to discover the location of specific documents and to explore the semantic relations that exist in a large collection of documents and representing semantic features in order to visualize their meaning. The types of visualization and a description of their meaning are described below:

- 1) **Type of Visualization - Tree:** In the tree view Holonym and Meronymy relations between words annotated from the categories the user wants to see, are depicted, where the holonym is an identifier of a document or medical record according to the case study (see Figure 5) such HC1715059, and the meronym is a word that is part of the document or medical record, such as WARFARIN (see Figure 4). This type of visualization was defined to address the needs of users' groups as administrative, those requiring to identify comparable groups. For example, detecting comparable groups exposed to risk factors.



Fig. 3. Graph Visualization - Tree



Fig. 4. Visualization - Tree



Fig. 5. Detail of the

- 2) **Type of Visualization - Graph:** The graph view in the Figure 3 depicts Hyperonymy and Hyponymy relations between words annotated from the categories that the user desires to consult, the edge of the graph represents the category which is the hypernym, for example, MEDICINES, and the hyponym is the node representing the word that is associated to the category such as WARFARIN. This type of visualization was defined to meet the needs of users' groups as researchers, who require to search and to analyze related information beforehand unknown and the degree of similarity or disparity between this information. For example, links of interest or detecting rare cases.

## 4 Prototype

To validate the proposed Model GReAT, it was implemented on a software called "Great System". This software was applied to a case study to summarize information from unstructured electronic medical records in a Colombian Hospital. This chapter initially presents how the GReAT System was implemented and later, its application in the case study. The prototype was implemented in Java, using the libraries for Natural Language Processing Lingpipe and JOrtho, as a result of the analysis of the tools and techniques for the GReAT Model like the most appropriate and complete tools to implement GReAT Model. The architecture was defined using different views, models and diagrams to document and support the decisions taken during the architectural definition of the system. The architecture is multi-layered, with three main layers: Presentation, Business and Persistence. It uses the frameworks iBatis for data access in the Persistence layer, Spring for business logic in the Business layer and Swing for the presentation layer. The main screen of GReAT System can be seen in Figure

6, along with its filter options and menu options:

For the case study there were implemented these filter options: initial date, end date, categories, total of phrases by category, color, keywords and



Fig. 6. Screens

the types of visualization (Tree and Graph). The prototype implementation allows the performing by the user of the following functions: 1. Store categories of required information. 2. Store the knowledge base of the required categories.

3. Store the keywords of user's profile. 4. Enter data filter to generate text summaries on unstructured text of electronic medical records. 5. Displaying results of generated summaries and finally, 6. Build relationships between the results obtained in the form of Graph or Tree. These options allow the user to perform a search according to his needs and profile, some of them were created considering the case study of a Hospital in Colombia.

## 5 Application on Case Study

The selected case study for validation of the proposed model is presented in a Hospital in Colombia, which stores information about the diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of patients through a narrative text that is found in the patient's medical records. With the case study several tests of functionality, usability and performance were conducted.

### 5.1 Functional tests

In order to evaluate the generated summaries, we wanted to determine how much loss of information we get with the generation of the summary. Obviously some information to generate summaries should be removed, so what was intended was to measure what relevant or irrelevant information was lost because of the summaries. What we want is that irrelevant information gets omitted, while the relevant information remains, so what we did was to compare the original document versus the summary, what we won and what was lost, which was measured in terms of the relevant phrases and sentences retrieved using precision and recall measures. To do this, we defined the relevance of a sentence taking into account the hypothesis where information retrieval systems must be measured indicating the degree of similarity between the question and the answer, in our case the question will be the search filter, the knowledge base and user profile defined by the user and the answer will be sentences in the summary, and for that you should identify any measurable property group to estimate how many of these properties are shared between the two entities. Measurable properties were defined: Does it have words associated with the knowledge base defined?, Does it have Keywords associated with search filter? or Does it have words defined in the User Profile?, what defines that a sentence is relevant or not, is that at least the phrase comply with any of these properties. In addition to this, we apply a formula to measure the loss of information. Relevance function is defined as follows:

1. **Representation of sentences:** a phrase is considered to be characterized as a set of one or more topics that represent its content. Following the model popularized by Salton and McGill [35], if we have a set  $tcp$  of terms or words, such that, for example,  $tcp = (\text{Diseases, Drugs, Symptoms, Treatments})$  represents the topics of the sentences, you can generalize and transform the same expression:  $Tcp = (t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4, t_5)(1)$ , where  $t_1, t_2, \dots$ , symbolize a category  $c$  or word  $p$  belonging to a sentence.

Since this represents a phrase as a vector which adopts for example, as follows:  $F_i = \langle 1, 1, 1, 0, 0 \rangle$  which means that phrase  $i$  contains the words or categories  $t_1, t_2$  and  $t_3$  of set  $tcp$ , where these are the words or categories that contains a phrase. Each sentence will result in a vector with a different configuration.

2. **Representation of Relevant Entities:** defined Relevant Entities are also represented as a vector. For example:  $E_r = \langle 0, 1, 0, 1, 1 \rangle$ , means that a particular information need has been indexed with the words or categories  $t_2, t_4$  and  $t_5$ , forming relevant entities  $E_r$ .

Now you can see what phrases are more like the features selected by the user or profile, setting a threshold somewhere below which a sentence would be considered no longer relevant. For the case study, the established threshold was 1, which means that each sentence should at least have one relevant entity to be relevant.

3. **Calculation:** For example, for simplicity we have only two sentences (Fi, Fj), which present the following vectors of words or categories belonging to each phrase  $F_i = \langle 1, 1, 1, 0, 0 \rangle$ ,  $F_j = \langle 1, 1, 0, 0, 1 \rangle$ .

The selection of the more relevant phrase to the user is performed by calculating which one of the two sentences has more in common with the relevant entities. There are several ways to perform this calculation (Salton and McGill [35]). One of the simplest is the sum of products, the two numbers in each column are multiplied together, and the results are summed, as shown in Table 3. The representation of a sentence  $F_i$  is a vector of length  $n$ :  $F_i = \langle t_{i1}, t_{i2}, \dots, t_{in} \rangle$  (2a), the representation of a word or category or relevant entity  $E_r$  is a vector of length  $n$ :  $E_r = \langle e_{r1}, e_{r2}, \dots, e_{rn} \rangle$  (2b) and the equation that allows the calculation of the degree of similarity between a sentence  $F_i$  and words or categories or relevant entities  $E_r$  is formalized as follows:

$$SIM(F_i, E_r) = \sum_{er=1}^n t_{i1} * e_{r1}$$

(3), which reads: the similarity (SIM) between the phrase  $F_i$  and  $E_r$  relevant entity is equal to the sum of the products of each pair of respective vector elements. For example: these are the vectors of a sentence and the relevant entities, respectively:  $F_i = \langle 1, 1, 0, 1, 0 \rangle$ ,  $E_r = \langle 0, 1, 0, 1, 0 \rangle$ , Then, the similarity is:

$$SIM(F_i, E_r) = (1 * 0) + (1 * 1) + (0 * 0) + (1 * 1) + (0 * 0) = 0 + 1 + 0 + 1 + 0 = 2.$$

Table 3. Example - two sentences

$E_r = 0, 1, 0, 1, 1$	$E_r = 0, 1, 0, 1, 1$
$F_i = 1, 1, 1, 0, 0$	$F_j = 1, 1, 0, 0, 1$
$0 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0 = 1$	$0 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 1 = 2$

According to this example, the phrase  $F_j$  is the most similar to the relevant entities defined by the user. Then, to calculate the relevance of each phrase, we proceed to perform the calculations of the indices of Precision and Recall to finally get the value of information loss. The formulas of these indices are shown below:

$$Precision = \frac{\#\{phrases\ relevant \cap \ retrieved\ phrases\}}{\#\{phrases\ retrieved\}}$$

$$Recall = \frac{\#\{phrases\ relevant \cap \ retrieved\ phrases\}}{\#\{phrases\ relevant\ true\}}$$

The formula for the loss of information is applied with the above results as follows:  $IL = \frac{\#\{Total\ relevant\ phrases\} - \#\{Total\ phrases\ retrieved\}}{\#\{Total\ relevant\ phrases\}}$   
 After running 14 different test cases, the average yielded a precision high value (1.0) where it is kept constant because the calculations to obtain the weighting of each sentence to select the most relevant phrases matching function proposed relevance except in some calculations. And the average yielded a high value on the completeness (0.81) being dependent on the number of phrases that the user selected to generate the

summary, as this number is greater, the completeness increases handling all relevant phrases. To assess the functionality of generating semantic relations between text summaries, we successfully executed various test cases.

## 5.2 Usability tests

Usability tests were divided into two phases: An initial phase where System Great was introduced to a set of doctors with different specialties (cardiology, pulmonary specialist, epidemiologist, internist) and with administrative staff to validate the applicability of the model and receive preliminary comments, from where we obtained several comments. In the second phase, the comments were implemented and the same procedure was performed with internists and with the administrative director of Epidemiology and Demography in the Ministry of Health and Social Protection.

In both phases the instrument or EUCS approach was applied which was designed to measure the satisfaction of users who directly interact with a specific application called EUCS (End-User Computing Satisfaction Construct). Response options are in a range of 1-5, where the value of 1 means the user disagrees with the question, and the value of 5 means the user is more in line with the question. The results in the first phase with the mean values were not satisfactory (3.74 / 5) because various comments were expressed such as: include keywords for each category and focus the summary as a preview of the information. The results in the second phase were satisfactory (4.54 / 5).

## 5.3 Performance tests

In order to validate the performance of the application and describe its behavior in terms of processing speed in the process of generating text summaries several test cases were executed with historical records of the case study. The results were satisfactory as they were achieved in less processing time than DragonToolKit free tool as shown in Figure 7 reflecting the total medical records processed with both tools versus processing time resulting in milliseconds. Why compared to the tool DragonToolKit? The analysis of the knowledge base was summarized, and we found that it was the most complete tool for generating summaries, however, there were some drawbacks such as: to fulfill the maximum size defined for the summary, it trimmed phrases. Also to run the summary, you must manually create a file for each document to be summarized, so only the comparison between the two tools was made up to 65 records and Great System analysis is made up with 600 (equivalent to 1 year medical records).

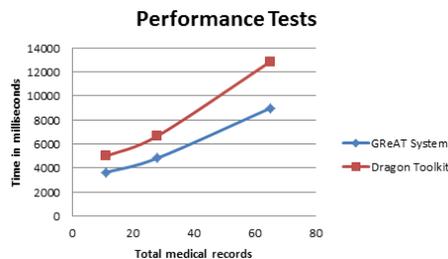


Fig. 7. Time in milliseconds versus Total medical records

## 6 Conclusions

From the review of the literature about the solutions that currently exist for the automated generation of text summaries and generation of semantic relations, this model seeks to address some weaknesses and challenges. The initial results show an improvement in quality and consistency of obtained summaries, taking into account the user needs and topics that are often important within the domain, the sequentiality of the original text, the duplication of information and the noise that natural language presents. On the other hand, we see the importance to relate summaries of text obtained to get the information more complete and global for the user. As future work this model can be reused in their various processes used as pre-processing process, serving as the basis for other text mining projects and the validity and usefulness of the proposed model can be extended further considering other semantic relations such as antonyms and synonyms.

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