

Title : Searching for the answer in answers  
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Abstract : We design a question-answering system Interviewer that enables users to fictionally (virtually) interview this person by asking questions as similar as possible to questions that journalists have already asked.

The interviews with a given person posted on the web are being collected as a corpus of (question, answer) pairs. The user asks his/her question and the Interviewer system searches questions in the corpus to provide the answer that belongs to the most similar question.

Matching questions is based on the frequency analysis and on the applications coming from natural language processing, namely tagging and parsing.

We work with the interviews with Vaclav Havel posted on his personal page.