

A Web Crawler for Acquiring Online Content in e-Health Research

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Technology Summary

The invention relates to data acquisition and more specifically to a web crawler for gathering health-related data. We propose a user-oriented web crawler that can adaptively acquire user desired content on the Internet to meet the specific online data source acquisition needs of e-health researchers. Experimental results show that the new crawler can substantially accelerate e-health researchers' acquisition efforts for online content relevant to particular study needs and requirements than using the existing state-of-the-art adaptive web crawling technology.

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