2016Q3 Reports: ACL Wiki

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This year is the tenth anniversary of the ACL Wiki[1]. The wiki opened to the public on October 18th, 2006. The mandate of the wiki is to facilitate the sharing of information on all aspects of Computational Linguistics. The ACL Wiki includes pointers to corpora, software, journals, conferences, workshops, blogs, researcher home pages, state-of-the-art system comparisons, employment opportunities, course descriptions, and many other resources for computational linguists.

The following table summarizes the growth of the wiki. We are no longer reporting the number of page views in this table, since the consensus on MediaWiki is that these numbers are not reliable[2]. The number of edits has stabilized at approximately one edit per day. Current statistics[3] are available online on the Wiki.

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The wiki hosts three Community Portals:

- SemEval Portal[5]
- Textual Entailment Portal[6]

The portals contain a wealth of useful information for researchers in these communities. Community Portals are an excellent tool for supporting a community of researchers who share a common interest in a specific problem.

The wiki also hosts two special interest groups[7]:

- SIGBIOMED[8]
- SIGFSM[9]

We invite more SIGs to use the wiki as a host for their pages.

Fighting wiki spam[10] was problem for many years. We tried many automated tools, but none of them worked. We are now using a manual tool, ConfirmAccount[11], which is working very well.

All members of ACL are strongly encouraged to contribute to the ACL Wiki. Whatever subfield of Computational Linguistics you work in, this is your opportunity to raise the profile of research in your area. The time you invest in the ACL Wiki will have high returns for the community.
Past Reports on the ACL Wiki

- 2015 [12]
- 2014 [13]
- 2013 [14]
- 2012 [15]
- 2011 [16]
- 2010 [17]
- 2009 [18]
- 2008 [19]
- 2007 [20]

References

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