

difference $I_4^i - I_2^i$ does not depend on the value of C , which means that complex search characteristic I_4 has the order preservation property.

Finally, in Case 4, which is similar to Case 2, the expression for difference $I_5^i - I_3^i$ does not contain C , as is evident from analysis of this expression. Therefore, complex search characteristic I_5 , like the previously discussed CSC, has the order preservation property.

Next, let us show that the remainder of the previous complex search characteristics I_1 through I_{12} , namely, characteristics $I_1, I_6, I_7, I_8, I_9, I_{10}, I_{11}$, and I_{12} , do not have the order preservation property. First, let us show this for characteristics $I_1, I_6, I_7, I_8, I_9, I_{10}$, and I_{11} . Assume that we have two different search methods, each being used for the search on the same search request in a certain search collection. In addition, let us assume that in the case of the first search method an output is produced consisting of 20 documents, of which 8 documents are pertinent (i.e., $r^{i_1} = 8$ and $N^{i_1} = 20$), and, in the case of the second search method, the output consists of 12 documents of which 6 documents are pertinent (i.e., $r^{i_2} = 6$ and $N^{i_2} = 12$). Now, let us consider two possible situations.

1. The search collection contained 40 pertinent documents ($C = 40$).

Note that in this situation,

$$R^{i_1} = \frac{r^{i_1}}{C} = \frac{8}{40}; P^{i_1} = \frac{r^{i_1}}{N^{i_1}} = \frac{8}{20};$$

$$R^{i_2} = \frac{r^{i_2}}{C} = \frac{6}{40}; P^{i_2} = \frac{r^{i_2}}{N^{i_2}} = \frac{6}{12}.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} I_1^i - I_1^j &= R^{i_1} + P^{i_1} - R^{i_2} - P^{i_2} \\ &= \frac{8}{40} + \frac{8}{20} - \frac{6}{40} - \frac{6}{12} = -\frac{1}{20} < 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_6^i - I_6^j &= \frac{r^{i_1}}{C + N^{i_1} - r^{i_1}} - \frac{r^{i_2}}{C + N^{i_2} - r^{i_2}} \\ &= \frac{8}{40 + 20 - 8} - \frac{6}{40 + 12 - 6} \\ &= \frac{8}{52} - \frac{6}{36} = \frac{368 - 312}{52 \cdot 36} > 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$I_7^i - I_7^j = 2 - I_1^i - 2 + I_1^j = -(I_1^i - I_1^j) > 0;$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_8^i - I_8^j &= \sqrt{(1 - R^{i_1})^2 + (1 - P^{i_1})^2} - \sqrt{(1 - R^{i_2})^2 + (1 - P^{i_2})^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{8}{40}\right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{8}{20}\right)^2} - \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{6}{40}\right)^2 + \left(1 - \frac{6}{12}\right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{17}{20}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{10}{20}\right)^2} = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{389}{400}} > 0;$$

$$I_9^i - I_9^j = 1 - I_6^i - 1 + I_6^j = -(I_6^i - I_6^j) < 0;$$

$$I_{10}^i - I_{10}^j = 1 - \frac{1}{\frac{2}{R^{i_1}} + \frac{2}{P^{i_1}} - 3} - 1 + \frac{1}{\frac{2}{R^{i_2}} + \frac{2}{P^{i_2}} - 3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{r^{i_2}}{2C + 2N^{i_2} - 3r^{i_2}} - \frac{r^{i_1}}{2C + 2N^{i_1} - 3r^{i_1}} \\ &= \frac{6}{80 + 24 - 18} - \frac{8}{80 + 40 - 24} = \frac{6}{86} - \frac{8}{96} \\ &= \frac{576 - 688}{86 \cdot 96} < 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{11}^i - I_{11}^j &= 1 - \frac{2}{\frac{1}{R^{i_1}} + \frac{1}{P^{i_1}}} - 1 + \frac{2}{\frac{1}{R^{i_2}} + \frac{1}{P^{i_2}}} \\ &= \frac{2r^{i_2}}{C + N^{i_2}} - \frac{2r^{i_1}}{C + N^{i_1}} = \frac{12}{40 + 12} - \frac{16}{40 + 20} \\ &= \frac{12}{52} - \frac{16}{60} = \frac{720 - 832}{52 \cdot 60} < 0. \end{aligned}$$

2. The search collection contained 10 pertinent documents ($C = 10$).

Note that in this situation,

$$R^{i_1} = \frac{r^{i_1}}{C} = \frac{8}{10}; P^{i_1} = \frac{r^{i_1}}{N^{i_1}} = \frac{8}{20};$$

$$R^{i_2} = \frac{r^{i_2}}{C} = \frac{6}{10}; P^{i_2} = \frac{r^{i_2}}{N^{i_2}} = \frac{6}{12}.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} I_1^i - I_1^j &= R^{i_1} + P^{i_1} - R^{i_2} - P^{i_2} \\ &= \frac{8}{10} + \frac{8}{20} - \frac{6}{10} - \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{10} > 0; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_6^i - I_6^j &= \frac{r^{i_1}}{C + N^{i_1} - r^{i_1}} - \frac{r^{i_2}}{C + N^{i_2} - r^{i_2}} \\ &= \frac{8}{10 + 20 - 8} - \frac{6}{10 + 12 - 6} = \frac{8}{22} - \frac{6}{16} \\ &= \frac{128 - 132}{22 \cdot 16} < 0; \end{aligned}$$