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Comparative Analysis and Evaluation of Stemming and Preprocessing Techniques for Arabic Text

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ABSTRACT

Arabic information retrieval is challenging due to the language's complex morphology and syntax. Preprocessing and stemming improve the accuracy and efficiency of Arabic information retrieval. This paper provides a comprehensive analysis of the existing literature on Arabic preprocessing and stemming techniques. The paper identifies the limitations and challenges of these techniques. The paper emphasizes the importance of preprocessing and stemming and underscores the need for further research to improve Arabic information retrieval. This study evaluates ten stemmers on a public dataset. The results show that root-based stemmers: Lucene, and khoja got the highest reduction rate 90.9%, and 85% respectively. The results emphasize that root-based stemmers have good conflating ability for similar terms, while light-based stemmers under-stem similar terms.

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1. **Introduction:**

With the growth of shared information in recent decades, there has been a need for implementing mechanisms to access specific information. Information retrieval (IR) systems are now among these mechanisms. IR is a field of research that focuses on finding information from unstructured sources, such as text, which satisfies information needs, such as user queries[1]. Standard IR consists of four main phases: preprocessing, indexing, querying, and IR[2]. The IR system accepts the user query, which is a set of words describing the user's needs, and returns some documents ranked according to the similarity between the user

query and the documents' content. The first key step in an IR system is stemming [3]. Many factors contribute to IR performance. One of the most factors that affect the performance is the stemming [4]. Stemming is the process of removing the affixes of words to group several related terms into one index term [5]; [2]. For example, the terms "كتب" ktb. "پكتب" yktb, and "اكتب" aktb can be conflated to the term "اكتب" which hold the same concept of the previous three terms. By indexing the documents using the stem of the word, several words will be conflated to one stem, which in turn will save the space required for IR system and enhance the computational load of the system [2]. Stemming has a high impact on Arabic text retrieval [6].

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However, the importance of stemming in Arabic IR, it still an open issue and need improvement [7]. Therefore, this paper illustrated the stemming approaches used in Arabic IR. We will analyze the approaches and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of each. This paper is organized as follows: The first section introduces the topic. The second section explores the main characteristics of the Arabic language. The third significance section highlights the preprocessing and stop words removal in Arabic IR. The fourth section delves into the various stemming approaches used in the Arabic language. Finally, in sections 3, and 4, we examine some stemming techniques and report their effectiveness in conflating similar Arabic terms.

1.2 Arabic Language Characteristics

The Arabic language is written from right to left and has twenty-eight characters. The letters of Arabic language are connected to form words. Each letter has different shapes depending on its position in the word, whether it is at the beginning, middle, end, or separated. Arabic language is ranked as the fastest-growing language in the number of internet users [8]; ([9]. The Arabic language is rich in vocabulary, a single root composed of three to five letters can generate enormous number of words with different meaning [10]. According to [8], Arabic has an estimated of sixty billion words derived from about 10,000 roots, making it a highly derivational language [11]. For example, the Arabic root "علم" can generate many words, such as "معلم", "عالم", "تعلم", and "تعلم". These words can also accept prefixes and suffixes, adding more words, such as ","معلمة", "تعليمهم", "متعالم" and "ااتعلمها", ااتعلمها", التعليمات المتعلم".

2 Literature Review

Preprocessing and stemming in Arabic information retrieval have been extensively studied by researchers. This section aims to provide a comprehensive review of significant research conducted on addressing these challenges. The review will begin by examining various preprocessing techniques employed in

Arabic information retrieval, followed by an exploration of different approaches to stemming.

2.1 Preprocessing and Text Normalization

The preprocessing and normalization of text are essential steps in stemming for any language. The normalization step involves removing some letters such as "e" or removing the diacritics and "hamzah". The preprocessing step involves removing stop words such as "and", "or", "the", "for", etc. In Arabic, similar words such as "ال". are removed. "على" and "على" are removed. This process improves the performance and storage capacity according to [2]; [8]; [12]; [7];[13]. Removing stop words also improve accuracy [14]. The effect of stop word list removal in Arabic IR was studied by [15]. He evaluated three stop word list and reported that stop word list removal improved retrieval effectiveness, especially when used with the BM25 weight. The length of documents can influence the effectiveness of stop words removal, and satisfactory results might appear when removing stop words from long documents according to [8]. However, the importance of stop word removal, there is no standard stop word list in Arabic IR [2]. May be this is because Arabic stop words can be combined with prefixes or suffixes, such as the word "sie" which can appear as"عنده ", or "عنده " Which represent another challenge [8]. Therefore, to improve Arabic IR, stop word list need to include all affix possibilities, and to include stop words used in different Arab countries[11]. [16] investigated and found that the best results they got are obtained by combining Khoja stop word list with [17] stop word list. To summary, stop word removal is a crucial step in Arabic IR. However, a standard stop word list is not available. Researchers have suggested various stop word lists, and the effectiveness of these lists varies based on the dataset used and the techniques applied. Therefore, selecting an appropriate stop word list is essential to achieve optimal performance in Arabic IR.

2.2 Stemming techniques

There are two types of stemming in the literature. The first type is a rule-based approach

that involves removing the affixes of the word based on several word shape rules, but no linguistic rules are considered. In approach, the resulting stem may not have a proper meaning, and the stem may not be an second actual word. The approach the linguistic approach, which involves analyzing the grammatical structure and meaning of a word to determine its stem. This approach is based on linguistic theories and models that consider the syntactic and semantic relationships between words in a language. For example, a linguistic-based stemmer might use part-of-speech and dependency tagging parsing to identify the stem of a word based on its role in a sentence. Linguistic-based stemming tends to be more accurate than rule-based stemming. but can be computationally expensive and may require more linguistic knowledge and resources. In this research, we will focus on the rule based stemming techniques as they are used widely in IR tasks. The purpose of rule-based stemming techniques is to group similar terms together, and not necessary to find the accurate root of the word [18]. Rule-based stemming is divided into two approaches: root-based and light-based stemming [19];[20]. The early experiments of Arabic IR relied on a small collection of data [8], and the stemming task was done manually by an expert in the language [21]. [4] is an example of such manually stemming approaches. However, manually stemming for an IR task is not efficient [21]. So, in this section, we will introduce the algorithmic approaches to stemming.

2.2.1 Root based stemming.

In this section, we will introduce root-based stemming techniques. Khoja stemmer [22] is one of the most famous examples of root-based approaches. Khoja stemmer removes suffixes, prefixes, apply set of rules and pattern match based on word length to adjust the stem, and at the end it compares the result stem against a list of roots. [23] proposed a root-based stemmer that tries to extract the root of the word. This stemmer has three modules. The first module is the build module, which uses ALPNET morphological analyzer to generate a list of

word-root pairs. The second module estimates the possible prefixes and suffixes of Arabic words. The third module is the detect module, which is used in action to eliminate the possible prefixes and suffixes of input word. [18] propose a root-based stemmer called the ISRI stemmer, which is like Khoja stemmer but without using a root list. This stemmer starts by checking the word against several patterns based on word length. When no match is found, the stemmer then removes specific prefixes and suffixes based on word length and tries again to find a pattern match to extract the root. Another rootbased stemmer is proposed by [24]. Their stemmer is based on 15 steps. The first step in this stemmer is to check the word length. If it is greater than three, then the rest of the steps are applied. If not, the word might be a root or a stop word. After doing all the modifications in Table 1, the word is checked against several patterns like the Khoja stemmer with a slight difference. [25] use a modified version of the Ghwanmeh three indexing stemmer to extract stem, verbed pattern, and root. For each word in a document, the three terms are extracted and indexed with their frequencies.

Table 1: some of Gwanmah stemmer actions

Action	Letter	Place of Action	Condition		
Remove	ال	prefix	word > 3		
Replace	્ર with પ	All the word	word > 3		
Remove	ﮐﻢ، ﮐﻦ، ﺗﻢ، ﺗﻦ، ﻳﻦ، ﺍﻥ، ﻳﻦ، ﺍﺕ، ﻭﻥ، ﻫﺎ، ﻳﺔ، ﻫﻢ، ﻧﺎ ، ﻣﺎ، ﻭﺍ، ﻧﻲ، ﻳﺎ ، ﻫﻦ	suffix	word >=6		
Remove	کال، بال، فال، مال، وال،	prefix	word >=6		
Remove	سن، س <i>ي</i> ، ست	prefix	word >4		
Remove	ل	Prefix	word >3		
Remove	ە، ة، ت	Suffix	word >3		
Remove	ت، ي	Prefix	word >3		
Remove	1	Suffix	word >=4		

The computation time and the required space capacity are some of the concerns of this approach. [26] improved the ISRI stemmer by adding a rule for words of length two. They

checked if these words have a weak letter. They evaluated the improved version on the Quranic Arabic Corpus and showed that the improved version can detect the root of length two correctly compared to the original ISRI. [27] also proposed a modified version of the ISRI stemmer by adding several rules to face broken plurals problem. They evaluated their modified stemmer on the TREC dataset and showed that their stemmer achieved remarkable results compared to ALSR2 and the original ISRI stemmers.

2.2.2 Light Based Stemming

Light-based stemming is a simple approach that involves removing certain prefixes or suffixes from words [11]. [6] proposed several light stemmers, called light 1, 2, 3, and 8, which remove specific prefixes or suffixes from words as shown in Table 2. [28] modified the stemmer of [29] by adding a word normalization step that removes stop words and punctuation marks.

Table 2: larkey et.al prefixes and suffixes list.

Stemmer	Prefixes	suffixes
Light1	بال، وال، ال، فال آال،	None
Light 2	بال، وال، ال، و فال، آال،	None
Light 3		ه ه ۵
Light 8		ین، ون، ات، ان، ها، ي ة، ه، یه، یة،

[30] proposed a new stemming technique that removes several infixes and searches for equivalent results in a lexicon. [21] introduced a new light stemmer called light10, which removes the letter "و" and the definite article "ال

[21] concluded that even though their approach is simple, it shows highly effective results compared to the root-based stemmers. [3] proposed an enhanced stemmer that tries to handle the problem of broken plurals by using two prefix lists, two suffix sets, and a validation step. [31] proposed the SAFAR stemmer, which generates several stems for each word and evaluates the results on a lexicon. [32] mixed the Khoja and light-based stemmers by using Khoja stemmer for verbs and light10 stemmer with an

extended prefix and suffix list for nouns. [5] proposed the AMIR stemmer, which can remove infixes along with prefixes and suffixes to extract the stem of the word. Finally, [33] proposed a stemmer called D-light stemmer, which have a list for definite articles, suffixes, and prefixes. This stemmer applies several rules based on word length to remove the definite article and suffixes before removing prefixes as shown in Table 3. Overall, light-based stemming techniques are simple and, but they have limitations in handling complex morphological features such as broken plurals and infixes.

Table 3: Al-shalabi et.al D-light stemmer rules

Table 3. A	I-shalabi et.al D-light stemmer rules
Condition	Definition Article Letters to be removed
Word >=7	وبال لبال، فبال،
Word >=6	الا ولل، كال، وال، فال، بال،
Word >=5	لي ١١، ال، ، لل،
Word >=4	J
Suffixes	Letters to be removed
Word >=8	كموها ناهما، ناكمو،
Word >=7	,'اءنا' ',اءکم' ',ناکم','موهن' ',موهم ',',
	, ناهم ', انهم' , ونهم اؤهم ', نوهن ', اعهم' ,
	ياته, 'اتهم', 'اتها', 'توهن', 'اننا', 'ونهم', 'ونكم'
Word >=6	وها ,هما ,ناه ,اءه ,ونه ناك، تان، نها، تنا، ,
	تان , هات , نكم , تهم , تها , وني وهن , وهم ,نهم
	يهم, انك, انك , ونك , ونه , وكم , تهن ,
Word >=5	ین , ان , ات , ون , وا , تا تم، نا، ون، ین، ان،
	ما, وا, ني, كن, تم, ها, يا,نا, هن, كم, تن,
	وه, وت, وك, هم, ها, ان, هم,
Word >=4	ن ۱، ك، ت، ي، ه، ة،
Prefixes	Letters to be removed
Word >=8	افاست٬ ,'لاست٬ ،' فليست٬ ،'وليست
Word >=7	والم رانهم رواست رفاست رويست رأتست ,
	فاست ,والا ,الاس كمست ,باست
Word >=6	تست، يست، فان، فلل، فلن، فلي، ولت، مست،
	بمس ,وست , فلأ , وسن , فلي وسي , است,

2.3 Root based VS Light based.

The pros and cons of light based, and root-based stemming techniques are discussed in literature. [34]is one of the early research projects stated that using the root and light based is better than using the word in retrieval. They also concluded in their experiment that both roots based and light-based work well, but the root-based work better in high recall levels. [25]; [19] mentioned the same that using light based in indexing result in better precision, while the root based perform better in recall. [35]

three evaluated stemming methods suggested using hybrid method for Arabic language. [16] use the light10 stemmer in their research and concluded that light stemmer outperforms ISRI and ETS stemmers. The discussion continues to involve characteristics of better stemmer. [21] mentioned two types of errors in stemming, the weak stemmers fail to conflate related terms that should be grouped together, while strong stemmers conflate larger stems in which unrelated terms erroneously conflated. [36];[3]; [20]; [37]mentioned the main characteristics of using root-based approach and light-based approach. They stated that using root-based approach led to an overstemming problem, which is grouping unrelated terms to single root. In the other hand using the light-based causes under-stemming problem which is the inability to group related terms to one stem. [38] investigate this case using Lucene open-source IR with light10 and Alkhalil morphological analyzer and found that the performance is differ based on the size of the query. For short queries, the root based got better results. For long queries, the light-based wins. [7] investigated the impact of preprocessing techniques on Arabic classifications and concluded that stemming still an open issue and need improvement.

3. Methodology

To investigate the issue of under stemming and over-stemming problem mentioned in the literature, we conducted an evaluation test for several stemmers. The test is made for root based and light-based stemmers. The tested stemmers are Khoja, Tashphyne, Assem, Cog, ISRI, Lucene, Farasa, light8, light10, and D-light.

3.1 Dataset preparation

The dataset used in this test is a collected dataset of similar terms distributed in thirty-four classes. The dataset term distribution is shown in (figure 1). The dataset is available online¹ in the following reference [39].

Figure. 1: Dataset word distribution

4. Experiments and Results

Two tests were conducted. The first test to show the ability of stemmers in stemming all dataset words. The second test conducted to show the ability of each stemmer in conflating related terms.

4.1 Test Environment

The test is implemented using python programming language. Some stemmers were available online, so we evaluate them against the dataset and report their results. Other stemmers were not available, so we implemented them like light8, light10 and D-light stemmers. A Jupiter notebook which includes the code and results for this implementation can be found here².

4.2 Stemming Ability

4.3 All stemmers, except khoja stemmer, were able to successfully stem all classes in the dataset. However, khoja stemmer showed incomplete stemming for class numbers 17 and 18 as shown in (figure 2).

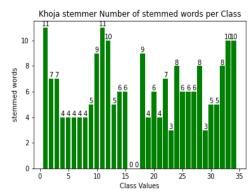


Figure. 2: Stemmed classes of Khoja stemmer

¹ The dataset can be accessed on the following link

 $^{^2\,}$ A jupyter notebook which has the code and details for this test can be found online in the following $\underline{\text{link}}$

4.4 Conflating Ability

Given the dataset's consistent of similar terms within each class, it is crucial for stemmers to group each class into the smallest possible number of unique stems. as shown in (figure 3, and 4) lucene and khoja stemmers are the best in conflating similar terms.

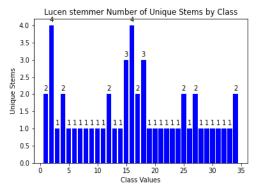


Figure. 3: Lucene stemmer unique stem result per class

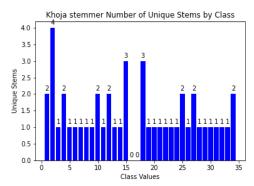


Figure. 4: khoja stemmer unique stem result per class Additionally, it is worth noting that some stemmers have conflating ability better than others. As an example, ISRI stemmer has conflating ability better than the other stemmers

(Cog, Farasa, Tashaphyne, light8, light10, D-light, and Assem). see Table 4, which shows comparison per class for all stemmers. The comparison is to show the ability of each stemmer in conflating similar terms to small no of unique stems. in general, light-based stemmers have less conflating ability compared to root-based stemmers.

4.5 Evaluation criterion

To evaluate the precision of stemmers, we employed the following formula: (Number of stemmed words, S – number of unique stems, U) / optimal value, O. The optimal value represents the ideal scenario where each class is reduced to a single root, resulting in a total of thirty-four roots for the entire dataset. We calculated the optimal value by subtracting the number of optimal roots (34) from the total number of words in the dataset, which equated to 187 (221-34=187).

4.6 Experimental results

Applying the previous formula to the khoja stemmer, we obtained a reduction rate of (205 - 46) / 187 = 0.850. Similarly, for the lucene stemmer, the reduction rate was (221 - 51) / 187 = 0.909. These results highlight the ability of lucene and khoja stemmers in conflating similar terms effectively. Table 5 summarizes the results for stemmed words, unique stems, and reduction rate produced by all stemmers.

Table 4: Stemmer's comparison of conflating ability per class

class	Dataset	Assem stemmer	Cog stemmer	Farasa stemmer	Lucene	ISRI stemmer	Khoja stemmer	Tashaphyne stemmer	Light8 stemmer	Light 10	D- light
1	11	11	11	6	2	4	2	6	11	11	11
2	7	5	5	5	4	4	4	5	5	7	5
3	7	6	6	5	1	3	1	6	7	6	6
4	4	3	3	4	2	2	2	4	3	4	3
5	4	3	4	3	1	2	1	4	4	4	4
6	4	3	2	3	1	3	1	3	2	4	2
7	4	4	3	4	1	3	1	3	3	4	3
8	4	4	4	4	1	3	1	3	4	4	4
9	5	4	4	3	1	1	1	3	4	5	4
10	9	7	8	6	1	3	2	4	8	9	7
11	11	8	9	7	1	2	1	7	9	11	8
12	10	8	9	8	2	6	2	7	9	10	8

13	5	5	5	4	1	2	1	4	5	5	5
14	6	4	4	5	1	3	1	4	6	6	5
15	6	6	6	6	3	4	3	6	6	6	6
16	9	7	6	7	4	5	0	4	7	9	6
17	7	7	7	5	2	7	0	7	7	7	7
18	9	9	9	7	3	7	3	9	9	9	9
19	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	4	4	4	4
20	6	5	6	6	1	3	1	5	6	6	4
21	4	3	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	4	2
22	7	5	6	6	1	1	1	6	6	7	6
23	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	3	3	3
24	8	4	4	5	1	1	1	4	4	8	4
25	6	5	4	5	2	4	2	5	5	6	4
26	6	6	6	5	1	1	1	6	6	6	6
27	6	5	4	4	2	2	2	5	4	6	4
28	8	8	8	6	1	2	1	8	8	8	8
29	3	3	3	3	1	2	1	3	3	3	3
30	5	5	5	4	1	1	1	5	5	5	5
31	5	4	4	3	1	1	1	3	4	5	4
32	8	5	5	5	1	7	1	6	5	8	6
33	10	9	9	10	1	5	1	7	10	10	9
34	10	7	8	5	2	1	2	4	8	9	7
Total	221	185	186	168	51	98	46	165	192	219	182

5. Discussion

To investigate more in results, we analyze to see the produced stems produced by each stemmer. Table 6 shows the unique stems produced by each stemmer. The result in this table shows interesting points. Its clear that Khoja stemmer and Lucence stemmer results are identical in most results. Both stemmers produce similar roots. It is also clear that light-based stemmers are not the same, but they all do not do challenging work in stemming. They just remove some prefixes and suffixes which success in conflating small cases and make mistakes in many other cases. For example, Assem stemmer attempt to remove the ""2" character at the end of the word "المتلك" which result in a stem that does not relate to the original word.

Table 5: Summary for stemmers conflating results.

Stemmer	Stemmed words	Unique stems	Reduction rate		
Lucene	221	51	0.909		
Khoja	205	46	0.850		
ISRI	221	98	0.657		
Tashphyne	221	165	0.299		
Farasa	221	168	0.283		
D-light	221	182	0.208		
Assem	221	185	0.192		
Cog	221	186	0.187		

Light 8	221	192	0.155
Light 10	221	219	0.010

The same with Tashaphyne stemmer, which remove the prefix "" and suffix "2" from the same word and result in nonsense stem "متل". It also removes both characters from the term "املاك", which result in wrong stem "ملا". ISRI stemmer has a better result in conflating terms; however, it makes several mistakes can be found in its section of the result table. For example, it "متحكم" from the word "كم" which result in bad stem "مت", which have no meaning with the original word. It also reduces the word "مبانى", which to "مبانى, which also does not relate to the original word. Cog stemmer in the other hand do minor changes to the original word in case the word is long, otherwise, it leaves the word as it is. For example, in class no 6 when the word was "عصا", the stemmer leaves it as its, but in words "عصيان" and "عصيان", it attempts to remove the suffixes "ان" and "ان". which result in wrong stem "عص". Farasa stemmer, also do slight changes to the original word by removing specific character. One mistakes of Farasa stemmer is returning the stem "طافى" for the word "لطافة". It also attempts to remove "ا" from the word "با" which reduce the word to the ": character only. D-light stemmer

also produce some wrong stems like "الم" in class 1, which is a result of removing the suffix "الاك". Many others shown in the table like "احت", "مملك" and the original words are "مملكة", and "احتكم", and ليا الملكة "Light 8 did not do well, but it was better than light 10 in the reduction rate as light 10 did not work well in reduction as light 10 only focus on removing the definition articles, which are

limited in the dataset used. Although Khoja and lucene stemmers are good, they also produce some wrong roots. for example, class no 25. One of the produced roots by both stemmers is "ويب", which is not related to the class words. They also failed in conflating some terms in class no 2. The words "تستأجرة", and "تستأجرة", are returned as they are by both stemmers.

Table 6: Comparison between stemmers in producing the correct stem or root for the dataset

Class	Dataset	Assem	Cog	Farasa	Lucen	ISRI	Khoja	Tashaphyne	Light 8	Light 10	D-light
	امتلك	امتل	امتك	امتلك	ملك	ملك	ملك	متل			امتل
	تملك	تمل	تملك ملك	ملك	لوك	تمل	لوك	مل	امتلك	امتلك	تمل
	ملك	ملك	املاك ملاك	أملاك		শ্রম		ملا	تملك	تملك	مل
	املاك	امل	يمتلك تمتلك	مالك		لوك		ممتلك	ملك	ملك	ام
	ملاك	ملا	ممتلك مملك	ممتلك مملكة				مملك	املاك	املاك	ملا
1	يمتلك	يمتل	ملوك ممالك					ممال	ملاك	ملاك	يمتل تمتل
1	تمتلك	تمتل							يمتلك	يمتلك	ممتل ممل
	ممتلكات	ممتلكا مملك							تمتلك	تمتلك	ملو ممال
	مملكة ملوك	ملو							ممتلك	ممتلكات	
	ممالك	ممال							مملك	مملكه	
									ملوك	ملوك	
									ممالك	ممالك	
	استئجر	استيجر	استئجر	استئجر	أجر	ئجِر	أجر	ستنجر			استئجر
	ايجارِ	ايجار	ايجارِ	إيجار	جور	يجر أُجْر	جور	يجار	استئجر	استئجر	ايجارِ
	مستأجر	مستاجر	مستأجر	مستأجر اجار	تستأجر	جرة	تستأجر	مستأجر	ايجار	ايجار	مستأجر
2	اجارة	اجار استاجر	اجار تستأجر	استأجر	تستأجره		تستأجره	اجار	مستأجر	مستاجر	اجار تستأجر
4	مستأجرين							تستأجر	اجار	اجاره	
	.ريا تستأجر								تستأجر	مستاجرين	
	تستأجره									تستاجر	
										تستاجره	
	تحكم	تحكم	تحكم	حكم	حكم	حکم	حكم	حكم	تحكم	تحكم	تحكم
	حکم	حكم متح	حکم متحکم احتکم احتکام	متحكم احتكم		متح احت		متح	حکم	حکم	حکم متح احت احتکام
	متحكم	احت احتكام		احتكام احكام				حت	متحكم	متحكم	
3	احتكم احتكام	احكام	احكام					حتكام	احتكم	احتكم	احكام
	الاحتكام							احتكام	احتكأم	احتكأم	
	احكام							حكام	الاحتكام	احكام	
									احكام		
	استشار	استشار	استشار	استشار	شور تستشیر	شار	شور	ستشار	1 200 1	1 5 1	استشار
	استشارة	مستشار	مستشار	استشارة	نستشير	تشر	تستشير	استشار	استشار	استشار	مستشار
4	مستشبار تستشیر	استشير	تستشير	مستشبار تستشیر				مستشار	مستشار تستشیر	استشاره مستشار	تستشير
	تستشير			نستشير				تستشير	تستشير	مستشار تستشیر	
	استئصل	استبصل	استئصل	استئصل	أصل	ئصل	أصل	ستئصل		سسير	استئصل
	استئصال استئصال	استيصال استيصال	استئصال	استنصل استئصال	,	نص <i>ن</i> أصل	العس	ستنصال استئصال	استئصل	استئصل	استنصال استئصال
5	استنصال يستأصل	استيصان استاصل	استنصال يستأصل	استنصان استأصل		الصن		استنصال يستأصل ستأصل	استئصال استئصال	استنصال استئصال	استنصان بستأصل
3	يستاصل استأصله	المنتانيين	يستاصل استأصل	التحاص				يستص ستت	استنصا <i>ن</i> یستأصل	رستنصال	يستاصل استأصل
	المحاصدة		استاصن						یستاصل استأصل	یستاصل استاصله	اهنداعان
	عصا	عصا	عصا	عصا	عصي	عصا	عصي	عص عصا	عصا		عصا
	عصاه	عصيان	عص	عصيان	حسسي	عصه	حسي	عصي	حصا عص <i>ي</i>	عصا	عص
6	عصيان	عص		عصي		عصي		صنعتي	مستسي	عصاه	صص
	عصي			ت ا		حصي				عصيان	
	ت ا									عصي	
	تائه	تاء	تائ	تائه	توه	تئه	توه	تائ		تائه	تائ
_	يتوه	يتو	يتو	يتوه		يته	•	تو	تائ يتو	يتوه	يتو
7	تيه	تَيْهُ	تي	تیه		تّيه		ية	تيه	تيه	تی
	تيهان	تيهان		تيهان						تيهان	
	يغوص	يغوص	يغوص	غاص	غوص	يغص	غوص	غوص		- •	يغوص
8	غوص غص	غوص غص	غوص غص	غوص غص		غوص		غصّ	يغوص	يغوص	غوص غص
	غواصة	غواص	غواص	غواص		غصّ		غواص	غوص	غوص	غواص

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									غص غواص	غص غواصه	
9	نتبع نبع يتتبع اتبع اتبعه	نتبع تبع يتتبع اتبع	نتبع نبع ينتبع اتبع	تبع تتبع اتبع	تبع	تبع	تبع	تبع بع تتبع	تتبع تبع يتتبع اتبع	تتبع تبع يتتبع اتبع	نتبع نبع ينتبع اتبع
10	علم یعلم علیم علیم معلم متعلم تعلیما معلمه	علم یعلم علیم معلم متعلم تعلم تعلیم	علم یعلم علم علیم معلم متعلم تعلم تعلیما	علم علیم معلم متعلم تعلم تعلیم	علم	علم تعلم تعل	علم علا	علم عليم معلم متعلم	علم علما عليم عليم معلم متعلم تعلم تعليما	علم یعلم علیم معلیم معلم متعلم تعلیما معلیما	علم یعلم علیم معلم متعلم تعلم تعل
11	ادخال دخل دخل دخول مدخل مداخل ادخل دخیل دخیل دخلاء ادخاله	ادخال دخل دخول مدخل مداخل ادخل دخیل دخلاء	ادخال دخل دخول مدخل مداخل ادخل دخیل دخلاء	ادخال دخل دخل دخول مدخل مدخول أدخل دخیل	دخل	دخل دخلاء	دخل	دخال دخول دخول مدخل مداخل دخیل دخیل	ادخال دخلا دخول دخول مدخل مداخل دخیل دخیل	ادخال دخل دخلا دخول مدخل مداخل ادخل دخیل دخیل ادخاله	ادخال دخل دخول مدخل مداخل ادخل دخیل دخلاء
12	خاف یخاف خوف خافا یخافون متخوف خانف اتخاف تخیف نتخوف	خاف یخاف خوف متخوف خایف اتخاف تخیف تتخوف	خاف یخاف خوف خاف متخوف خانف اتخاف تخیف نتخوف	خافي خاف خوف متخوف خانف اتخاف أخاف تخوف	خوف خف <i>ي</i>	خاف یخف خوف خفا تخف خنف	خوف خف <i>ي</i>	خاف خوف متخوف خائف تخاف خیف تخوف	خاف یخاف خوف خاف متخوف خانف اتخاف تخوف	خاف یخاف خوف خافا یخافون متخوف خانف اتخاف تخیف	خاف یخاف خوف متخوف خانف اتخاف تخیف تتخوف
13	هرب یهرب هروب متهرب تهریب	هرب یهرب هروب متهرب تهریب	هرب یهرب هروب متهرب تهریب	هرب هروب متهرب تهریب	هرب	هرب تهرب	هرب	هرب هروب متهرب هريب	هرب يهرب هروب متهرب تهريب	هرب يهرب هروب متهرب تهريب	هرب بهرب هروب متهرب تهریب
14	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويثها تلوثونها تلوثينها	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويث	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويث	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويث تلوثينها	لوث	تلث لوث وثو	لوث	لوث وث تلوث لويث	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويث تلوثون تلوثون تلوثين	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويثها تلوثونها تلوثينها	تلوث لوث يتلوث تلويث تلوثو
15	استيفاء اوفى وفي وفاء مستوفي ايفاء	استیفاء اوفی وف فاء مستوف ایفاء	استيفاء اوفى وف فاء مستوف ايفاء	استيفاء اوفى في وفاء مستوفي إيفاء	استيفاء وفي ايفاء	يفء وفي وفء	استيفاء وفي ايفاء	استیفاء وفی فی فاء مستوف یفاء	استيفاء اوفى وفي وفاء مستوف ايفاء	استيفاء اوفي في فاء مستوفي ايفاء	استيقاء اوفى في فاء مستوف ايقاء
16	عفا يعفو عفوا اعف	عفا يعفو عفو	عفا يعفو عفوا	عفا عفو اعف	عوف يعفو عفن اعفاء	عفا عفو اعف عفء يعف		عف عفو عف <i>ي</i> اعفاء	عفا يعفو عفوا	عفا يعف عفوا اعف	عفا يعفو عفو اعف اعفاء يعف

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	اعفي اعفه	اعف	اعف اعفاء بعف	اعفي					اعف	اعفي اعفه	
	اعقه اعفینها	اعفین اعفاء یعف	اعقاء يعف	اعفينها إعفاء أعفى					اعفین اعفاء	اعقه اعفینها	
	اعفاء يعفى			۽ ــ ، - ي					يعف	أعفاء	
	*									يعفي	
	قضى	قضي	قضى	قضی قضاء افض	قض <i>ي</i> : :	قضى		قضى	• •		قضى
	يقضي قضّاء افض قاضي	يقض قضَّاء افض قاض	يقض قضّاء افض قاض	قصاء اقص قاضی قضیة	فضي	يقض قضء		قض <i>ي</i> قضاء	قض <i>ی</i> یقض	قض <i>ي</i> يقضى	يقض قضّاء افض قاض
	النقل المعني قضايا	رسی عاص قض	النص عاص قض	عصي عصي		عص افض		قص فض	يعتص قضاء	يىسى قضاء	النص قضا
17		قضاي	قضايا			قضي قضة قضا		قاض قاض	افض	افض	
						قضة قضا		قض	قاض ت	قاضي	
								قضاي	قضية قضايا	قضية قضايا	
	استجاب	استجاب	استجاب	استجاب	جوب	جاب	جوب	ستجاب	<u> </u>		استجاب
	يستجيب	استجيب	يستجيب	إجابة مجيب	 أجب جب <i>ي</i>	تجب جبة	.٠٠ أجب جب <i>ي</i>	يستجيب	استجاب	استجاب	يستجيب
	اجابة مجيب	اجاب مجيب	اجاب مجيب	اجب		جيب اجب		اجاب	يستجيب	يستجيب	اجاب مجيب
	اجب	اجب استجب مجاب جواب	اجب استجب مجاب جواب	استجب مجاب جواب		سجب		مجيب	اجاب	اجابه	اجب استجب
18	استجب مجاب جواب	مجب جواب اجوب	مجب جواب اجوب	مجب جورب		جوب		جب ستجب	مجيب ا ج ب	مجيب ا ج ب	مجاب جواب اجوب
	أجوبة	.5.	.5.					مجاب	استجب	استجب	.5.
								جواب	مجاب	مجاب	
								اجوب	جواب احمد،	جواب احمیه	
	احترام	احترام	احترام	احترام	<u>حرم</u>	حرم	حرم	حترام	اجوب	اجوبه	احترام
	محترم يحترم	محترم	,سر,م محترم	محترم احترم	F.>-		F3-	<u>سر</u> رم محترم	احترام	احترام	،سر،م محترم
19	حرمة ٰ	يحترم حرم	يحترم حرم	حرمة ٰ				حترم	محترم	محترم	يحترم حرم
								حرم	يحترم	يحترم	
	احسان	احسان	احس	احسان	حسن	احس	حسن	حسا	حرم	حرمه	احس
	محسن حسن	محس حسن	ہــں محسن حسن	ہے۔۔۔ محسن حسن	<i></i>	حسن		محسن	احس	احسان	محس حسن
	احسن	احس	احسن	أحسن		سحس		حس	محسن	محسن	استحس
20	استحسن	استحس	استحسن	استحسن				ستحسن	حسن	حسن	
	استحسان		استحس	استحسان				استحس	احسن استحسن	احسن استحسن	
									استحس	استحسان	
	جمال	جمال	جمال	جمال	جمل	جمل	جمل	جمال			جمال
	جميل	جميل جميلا	جميل	جميل				جميل	جمال	جمال	جميل
21	جمیله جمیلات								جميل	جمیل جمیله	
	جميرت									جمینه جمیلات	
	لطيف	لطيف	لطيف	لطيف	لطف	لطف	لطف	طيف			طيف
	لطيفه لطافه	لطاف	لطاف	طافي				طاف	لطيف	لطيف	طاف
	استلطفه یستلطفه	استلطف يلاطف	استلطف یستلطف	استلطف بستلطفه				ستلطف يستلطف	لطاف استلطف	لطيفه لطافه	استلطف يستلطف
22	يمسطعه يلاطفه	يرطف ملاطف	يمنتصف يلاطف	يمنسعه. لاطف				يستنط <i>ف</i> لاطف	رسننطف يستلطف	استلطفه	يمنتصف يلاطف
	ملاطفه		ملاطف	ملاطف				ملاطف	يلاطف	يستلطفه	ملاطف
									ملاطف	يلاطفه	
	ظرافة	ظراف	ظراف	ظراف	ظرف	ظرف	ظرف	ظراف		ملاطفه	ظراف
	طراقه ظريف	طراف ظریف	طراف ظریف	طراف ظریف	طری	طرف	طرست	طراف ظریف	ظراف	ظرافه	طراف ظریف
23	استظرفه	استظرف	-ريــــ استظرف	استظرف				س <u>تظر</u> ف ستظرف	ظریف	ظریف	استظرف
									استظرف	استظرفه	
	استعمر مستعمر	استعمر مستعمر	استعمر مستعمر	استعمر	عمر	عمر	عمر	ستعمر	ا جير		استعمر
	مستعمر يستعمر	مستعمر مستعمرا	مستعمر يستعمر	مستعمر يستعمر				مستعمر يستعمر	استع <i>م</i> ر مستعمر	استعمر مستعمر	مستعمر يستعمر
	مستعمرة	استعمار	استعمار	استعمار				يىسىر استعمار	يستعمر	يستعمر	استعمار
24	مستعمرات			يستعمرون					استعمار	مستعمره	
	مستعمرین استعمار									مستعمرات مستعمرین	
	استعمار يستعمرون									مستعمرین استعمار	
										يستعمرون	
	بنا	بنا	بنا	ب	بني	بنا	بني	بنا	بنا	بنا	بنا يبن
25		يبن	يبن	بنی	ويب	يين	ويب	بني	يبن	يبني	مبا بن
									مبان		

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	يبني	مبا	مبان	مبني		مبا	Ĭ	مبآن	بناي	مباني	
	مباني بناًيات بناية	نايا	بن	بنايةً		بني		<u>ا</u>	بني	بنایات بنایه	
	بنيه بنيان	نيان		بنيان				نيان		بديه بنيان	
	يكتب	یکتب	یکتب	كتب	كتب	كتب	كتب	كتب			يكتب
	كتابة	كتاب كتب	كتاب	كتابة	•	,	,	تاب	يكتب	يكتب	كتاب كتب
	کتب	مكاتب مكتب	کتب	مكتب				تب	كتاب	كتابه	مكاتب مكتب
26	مكاتب مكتبة كاتب	كاتب	مکاتب مکتب کاتب	مكتبة كاتب				مكاتب مكتب	کتب مکاتب	کتب مکاتب	كاتب
	حانب		عب	حانب				محنب اتب	مدب مکتب	محاب مکتبه	
								•	كاتب	كاتب	
	تركيب	تركيب	تركيب	تركيب	رکب	رکب	رکب	ركيب			تركيب
	يركب تراكيب	يركب	يركب	رکب متراکب متراکبة	تراكيب	راكب	تراكيب	رکب ترک	تركيب	تركيب	يركب
27	متراکب ترکیبات	تراکیب متراکب	تراکیب متراکب	مدراحب				تراکیب متراکب	یرکب تراکیب	یرکب تراکیب	تراکیب متراکب
27	مر <u>ريب</u> متراكبة	مر،ب ترکیبا	٠, ٠					مرربب ترکیب	مر <u>رب</u> متراکب	سر, <u>تب</u> متراکب	٠,,
		•							, ,	تركيبات	
	• • •		h	•		h				متراكبه	h
	نظر ينظر	نظر ينظر	نظر ينظر	نظر منظار	نظر	نظر ناظر	نظر	ظر نظر	نظر	نظر ينظر	نظر ینظر منظار
	ينطر منظار نظارة	ينطر منظار نظار	ينطر منظار نظار	منطار نظار		تصر		بطر منظار	نظر ينظر	ينطر منظار	ينطر منطار نظار يناظر
	يناظره	يناظر	يناظر	ناظر				نظار	منظار	نظاره	متناظر نظير
28	متناظر نظير	متناظر نظير	متناظر نظير	متناظر نظير				ناظر	نظار	يناظره	نظائر
	نظائر	نظاير	نظائر					متناظر	يناظر	متناظر ۲۰۰	
								ظیر ظائر	متناظر نظیر	نظیر نظائر	
								ع ادر	ـــير نظائر		
	حماقه	حماق	حماق	حماق	حمق	حمق	حمق	حماق		_	حماق
29	حمقى احمق	حمقي احمق	حمقى احمق	حمقى احمق		حمقى		حمقی	حماق	حماقه	حمقى احمق
								حمق	حمقی احمق	حمق <i>ي</i> احمق	
	سهوله	سهول	سهول	سهل	سهل	سهل	سهل	سهول	, <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	, G-,	سهول
	سىھل	سىھل	سىھل	استسهل				سىھل	سهول	سهوله	سىھل
30	يستسهل	استسهل	يستسهل	مستسهل				يستسىهل	سهل	سهل	يستسهل
	مستسهل استسهال	مستسهل استسهال	مستسهل استسهال	استسهال				مستسبهل	يستسىهل مستسىهل	يستسىهل مستسىهل	مستسىهل استسىهال
	استفتهان	استعدي	استعنهان					استسهال	استسهال	مستسبهال استسهال	استعملهان
	اعترف	اعترف	اعترف	اعترف	عرف	عرف	عرف	عترف			اعترف
	يعترف	يعترف	يعترف	اعتراف				عتراف	اعترف	اعترف	يعترف
31	اعترا ف ت	اعترا ف ت:	اعترا ف ت :	معترف				معترف	يعترف	يعترف	اعترا ف ت
	معترف اعترف <i>ی</i>	معترف	معترف						اعتراف معترف	اعتراف معترف	معترف
	, حرعي								ر_	محر <u>ت</u> اعترفي	
	اوصی ِ	اوصي	اوصى	أوصى	وصي	وصى	وصي	وصى			اوصى
	يوصي وصية	يوص وص	يوص صي	وصية		يوص		وصي صي صا	اوصى	اوصىي	يوص صي
	وصاية اوصاه	وصا اوص	صا اوصا	وصاية اوصا		وصة وص <i>ي</i>		وصا وص	يوص وصية	يوص <i>ي</i> صيه	صا او اوص
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6. Conclusion

In conclusion, this paper highlights the importance of preprocessing and stemming for Arabic IR. The study provides a comprehensive analysis of the existing literature on Arabic techniques, preprocessing and stemming identifying their limitations and challenges. The results of the study indicate that root-based stemmers work well in conflating similar terms and reducing the required space for indexing, however they still have some limitations in stemming some terms, but they are better than light-based stemming techniques. The lightbased stemmers in the other hand do small effort in conflating similar terms and most of the time they return the original word or do small modification to it. The findings of this study underscore the need for continued research in this area to overcome the challenges posed by the language's complex morphology to enhance the Arabic IR. Future work will include evaluating the effect of stemmers in the retrieval results.

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