Title: PERFORMANCE PREDICTION SYSTEM WITH QUERY MINING

Abstract: Disclosed is a performance prediction system and service that uses acquired knowledge of queries that are received to make predictions concerning the future performance of certain entities, such as business entities. By analyzing query patterns and the actual or predicted performance of business entities, the performance prediction service is enabled to observe correlations between queries, query patterns and performance that can be used to facilitate the prediction of future performance.
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