# A Study on Social Perceptions of Public Libraries Utilizing the sentiment analysis

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#### ABSTRACT

This study would understand the overall perception of our society about public libraries, analyzing the texts related to public libraries, utilizing the semantic connection network & sentiment analysis. For this purpose, this study collected data from the last five years with keywords, 'Library' and 'Lifelong Learning Center' from January 1, 2016 through November 30, 2020 through the blogs and cafés of major domestic portal sites. With the collected data, text mining, centrality of keywords, network structure, structural equipotentiality, and sensitivity analyses were conducted. As a result of the analysis, First, 'reading' and 'book' were identified as representative keywords that form the social perception of public libraries. Second, it turned out that there were keywords related to the use of the library and the untact service due to the recent spread of COVID-19. Third, in seeking a plan for the development of public libraries through the keywords drawn to have positive meanings, it is necessary to create continuous services that can form a new image of the library, breaking away from the existing fixed role and image of the library and increase the convenience of use. Fourth, facilities and facilities for library services were recognized from a neutral point of view. Fifth, the spread of infectious diseases, social distancing, and temporary closure and closure of libraries are negatively related to public libraries, and awareness of librarians has been identified as negative keywords.

## 1. Introduction

Public library has had a significant impact on creating and maintaining the culture of the nation and community, and in particular, as an educational and cultural institution, has played a major role in guaranteeing the basic rights of the members of society, such as information, reading culture, and education.

According to the Third Comprehensive Library Development Plan, the Korean society is faced

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with changes such as by entering an aging society socio-culturally, decreased population due to the low rate of fertility, increased multi-cultural families, increased leisure time due to the implementation of the 52-hour work week, and the entry into the fourth industrial society based on the super intelligence and hyper connectivity. Library officials are saying that these social changes are both a crisis and an opportunity. The service environment for public library is rapidly changing, such as the decrease in the reading population since the advent of various information media and the change of users and the diversification of desires, and in particular, the pandemic caused by the massive infectious disease has had a great impact on the public library's operation and services provision. In order for the public library to perform its role as an educational and cultural institution moving forward, it is necessary to respond to the demand for the public library which occurs based on these social changes in order to continuously develop. From such point of view, confirming our society's perception of public libraries may be said to be a preemptive action for the effective library operation in terms of service creation following the demand.

Accordingly, this study sought to verify the perception of public libraries formed throughout our society by analyzing major keywords and sentiment about public libraries through the text mining analysis based on the texts related to public libraries which exist online. The detailed research contents for this purpose are as follows. First, the texts related to public libraries posted on the portal site blogs and cafes were collected, and TF and TF-IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency) values for the keywords were analyzed. Second, attempt was made to confirm the meaning of keywords through the centrality analysis and the CONCOR (CONvergence of iteration CORrelation) analysis of the keywords derived. Third, the sentiment analysis of the data collected was used to confirm the sentiment in the public library, and based on which, the main keywords along with the positive and negative perceptions of the public library were verified. Based on which, this study sought to provide the basic data which may be used to present the future directions of the public library's operation by presenting the implications for the social perception of public library.

## 2. Previous Studies

## 2.1 Previous studies on sentiment Analysis for Libraries

Many studies on the emotional analysis for public libraries could not be found, and several studies conducted the emotional analysis by using the spaces in public libraries.

Noh (2015) attempted to provide a foundation for designing and evaluating the future library spaces by drawing emotional vocabulary regarding spaces in public libraries. He draw 12 main emotional words regarding the spaces in university libraries via 5 steps of extraction and refinement, and finally suggested the following emotional vocabulary: 'various, satisfactory, necessary, full, clean, stable, proper, harmonic, opening, warm, natural and excellent'

Ham and Oh (2016) conducted the emotional analysis on the effect of color images on the spaces in university libraries. The findings showed that different emotions occur in the different spaces in libraries and have close relations with color images. They thus argued that color images are closely related with emotions in spaces.

## 2.2 Previous studies on Social Role and Perception of Public Libraries

Studies on perceptions of public libraries have been conducted with various themes and scopes. There have been studies on libraries' specific services, including programs and policies. This study arranged researches on the roles which public libraries should play as social institutions and the perceptions of them.

Pyo and Cha (2018) aimed to provide basic data necessary for establishing the developmental directions of libraries and determining the directions of services by comparatively analyzing librarians' and users' perceptions on public libraries. To this end, questionnaires about the environment of the current libraries, roles and status of the future libraries and policies for libraries were administered to librarians and users in the public library under the Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education. The findings indicate that both librarians and users perceive that reading and education are important for public libraries' roles and future status, suggesting that two groups have common expectations for public libraries. Libraries, however, proposed the improvement of outworn equipment and retraining for libraries, as policy plans for the future libraries, while users asked for expanding the collections of books and the use of reading rooms. It is, therefore, necessary to develop policies for public libraries, given such a perceptional difference between two groups.

Noh and Kim (2019) examined and analyzed library users' perceptions on the complex cultural space in libraries and their preferences and perceptions on the programs operated in it, by administering questionnaires to users of libraries promoting and operating it. The findings suggest that it is necessary to manage the programs by providing the spaces for information/education to users and simultaneously developing those for exhibition and performance, and publicize the complex culture spaces in libraries as not only those for information/education, but also as those for culture, healing, experience, communic ation, and so on, and improve users' perceptions on them.

Kim and Kwon (2020) inspected the service systems of public libraries located at Mapo-gu, Seoul and analyzed users' perceptions and needs for public libraries, to establish the service systems of public libraries, which can meet the needs of various users. The findings indicate residents' strong agreement that libraries are necessary for communities and are essential institutes for children. In addition, the quantitative expansion of the collections of books and the verification of contents were found to be most strongly required by them. For the environmental improvement in library facilities and the expansion of libraries, establishing public libraries at the center of living space to which users can have easy access was perceived to be important for public libraries to faithfully play their roles as central spaces of the communities.

Chang (2020) examined the current status of public library services in Busan and analyzed users' needs for public libraries, by investigating public library users' perceptions in Busan. The findings exhibited that Busan citizens' perceptions and needs for public libraries were very high, while inadequate and outworn facilities in Busan cannot meet such needs. Easily accessible life space-directed public libraries, comfortable and convenient spaces, quick provision of collections of books, expansion of digital services and dynamic promotion policies, etc. were, therefore, found to be necessary for public libraries to faithfully play their roles as community culture spaces.

# 3. Theoretical Background

This study sought to verify the keywords and sentiment for the public library by utilizing text data. The analytical method to this end is as follows.

## 3.1 TF IDF (Term Frequency-Inverse Document Frequency)

The Term Frequency (TF) technique is used based on the hypothesis that "if the frequency of emergence of a specific word in a document is high, the relevance will be as high as the frequency of emergence." However, if the frequency of emergence of meaningless words such as articles and postpositions is high, it is difficult to determine the relationship between the frequency of emergence of words and the relationship between the sentences. The TF-IDF technique is utilized as a technique to limit such unrelated words. TF-IDF is a numerical value indicating the correlation of sentences for each word (Lee, Lee, & Kim, 2019). A key word of a document may be derived as a value which statistically indicates the importance of a specific word in the entire sentence. The TF-IDF calculation formula used in this study is as follows.

$$TF \times \ln\left(\frac{D}{DF}\right)$$

TF: Frequency of the relevant word

ln: Natural logarithm

D: Total number of documents

DF: Number of documents containing the relevant word

## 3.2 Centrality analysis

Centrality refers to a measure of the relative importance of a node. The central word in a network carries an index meaning which can improve the performance of the group as a whole, such as making the group stronger or influencing decision making. The index of centrality is classified into the degree centrality, closeness centrality, eigenvector centrality, and betweenness centrality, etc., according to the calculation method (Choi, 2016).

"Degree centrality" is an indicator which measures how many connections the nodes of a connection network have, and the central node may be identified by measuring the extent to which a specific node is connected to the other nodes. It demonstrates as to how many links are connected to a node by counting the number of links for all the nodes neighboring a node. It is based on the number of the other nodes connected to a single node, and does not include the nodes which undergo 2 or more phases (Choi, 2016). "Closeness centrality" is an indicator of centrality which is associated with the connection distance reaching each node. In addition to demonstrating the distance between the nodes, the node with the most general influence may be identified by measuring

the distances of all the nodes which are directly or indirectly connected. A node with the high closeness centrality has the shortest connection distance to all of the other nodes within the network, and the higher the closeness centrality, the more the node is located in the center of the network (Lee, 2012).

"Betweenness centrality" is a concept which measures to what extent it performs as an intermediary between the nodes when forming a network (Kim et al., 2014). It identifies the nodes that act as intermediaries between the nodes, the higher the betweenness centrality, the higher the possibility of affecting the flow of meaning within the semantic connection network. The greater the importance of the mediation role of a specific node with respect to the nodes forming the network, the greater the control which may control the entire network. Even a node with a relatively low degree centrality and closeness centrality is considered to be a central node if the role of betweenness centrality is large (Choi, 2016).

"Eigenvector centrality" measures the influence of each node, and it is possible to find the node with the greatest influence among many nodes. It measures by combining the influence through the degree centrality and the influence of other nodes connected to a single node (Choi, 2016). As an index measuring the influence or importance of a single node in the entire network, if the betweenness centrality is an index which measures the intermediary role between the nodes, the eigenvector centrality may be said to be an index which demonstrates the importance of the other connected nodes (Lee, 2012).

## 3.3 Cluster analysis

Cluster analysis is an analytical method which measures the similarity of each object, classifies the target group of a high similarity, and identifies the similarity of objects in a cluster and the difference between the objects in different clusters. Objects are classified into multiple exclusive groups according to the characteristics or are clustered based on the distance from the data without assumptions regarding the number or structure of the clusters. By dividing the object into several groups, it is possible to efficiently understand the target group, and it is also utilized for the understanding and targeting of the customer group. There are k-means cluster analysis and hierarchical cluster analysis, which group the observed values based on the similarity such as distance, and the cluster analysis using the latent structure (Yu, 2017). It is a statistical technique which articulates the similarity of the objects associated with a cluster and the difference between the objects associated with different clusters, and is also used to classify the objects with various characteristics into groups in the absence of or unclarified criteria.

## 3.4 Structural equivalence

Equivalence analysis is to find the equivalence hierarchy of the nodes with similar structural characteristics. If two nodes have the structural equivalence within a network, there is a high probability that they will demonstrate similar aspects in attitude or behavior. Among which, the structural equivalence refers to a state in which two nodes are structurally and completely replaceable by

demonstrating similar behaviors in response to being placed in a similar social environment.

By measuring the extent of similarity or difference for the equivalence between the nodes, a matrix can be created and block modeling can be performed based on it. Through the block modeling, the nodes with similar equivalence are grouped into a single block, and the connective relationship within or between the blocks is demonstrated so that the position of the node within the block may be grasped at a glance. Among the block modeling techniques is CONCOR (CONvergence of iterated CORrelations), which finds a matrix of the correlation coefficients for the connective relationship related patterns between the nodes, and binds the group of equivalent nodes. Through which, the blocks of nodes may be identified, and the relationship between the blocks may be identified (Yu, 2017).

#### 3.5 Sentiment analysis

Sentiment analysis is a manner of deriving the subjective feelings of a person who wrote a text on a specific topic, and may classify the author's tendencies towards topics as positive or negative (Yim, 2015). The sentiment analysis can grasp the tone and sentiment of a text through the sentimental keywords linked to the context, so that comments or posts made on specific events may be classified as positive, neutral, or negative to objectively and accurately grasp. In the case of the public sector, services may be improved by identifying the cause or problem of civil complaints, and in the case of a company, it may be effectively used to identify customer reactions for specific products, and infer their preferences inversely (Yu, 2017).

## 4. Research Contents & Methodology

In this study, an attempt was made to examine and verify the keywords and sentiment regarding public library by using the text data related to public library. The research process carried out to this end is as follows.

#### 4.1 Research contents

This study sought to examine and verify major keywords and sentiments regarding public library through the semantic connection network analysis and the sentiment analysis targeting unstructured big data. The details of the study are as follows.

First, an attempt was made to verify what the main keywords related to the public library are. The main keywords were derived by analyzing the appearance frequency and the TF-IDF value by collecting the public library related texts uploaded through the blog and cafe of the portal site.

Second, an analysis was performed as to the meaning of the main keywords derived through the previous study. The centrality and network structure of the keywords were analyzed, and the structural equivalence and cluster characteristics of the keywords were verified.

Third, the sentiment analysis was performed for the collected texts to verify as to which were the keywords indicating positive and negative perceptions about the public library. To survey the research contents discussed in the above, a research method using the semantic connection network analysis and the sentiment analysis techniques was designed and conducted. Textom was used as a data collection and analysis tool for conducting the research, and the statistical analysis and visualization of the derived keywords were performed by using Ucinet6 and NetDraw, respectively.

#### 4.2 Data collection

Korean main portal sites, such as Naver and Daum, as well as blogs and cafes were used as main channels for collecting data necessary for this study. Although main channels through which data can be collected include newspaper articles, SNS (Facebook, Tweeter, Instagram, etc.), except for blogs and cafes, they were excluded, because they were not determined to be suitable for this study.

Newspaper articles are writing with an aim to communicate objective facts, in which the use of adjectives expressing emotions is limited. Texts and other contexts including images, clips, etc. are uploaded to SNS on which texts do not account for high portions of posts. It is difficult to understand users' perceptions on and emotions toward public libraries, based on short texts. Meanwhile, blogs and cafes contain higher portions of texts, and a lot of posts with narrative structures were found, so they were determined to be suitable for collecting data necessary for this study.

The period of data collection was set to run from January 1, 2016 until November 30, 2020 to collect the data for the last 5 years. 'Library' and 'Lifelong Learning Center' were selected as the words of collection. It was verified that public libraries in Korea are operated by local governments and the Office of Education, and the libraries across various parts of the country operated by the Office of Education primarily use the name of 'Lifelong Learning Center.' Hence, in this study, the data were collected by setting the group words as 'Library' and 'Lifelong Learning Center'. However, considering the fact that unnecessary data such as lifelong learning and lifelong education unrelated to the public library may be collected and analyzed during the collection process, the data related to the public library were selected by verifying and arranging the collected original text before the analysis was performed.

In the data collection process, a total of 8,258 online posts were collected through the blogs and cafes operated by Naver and Daum. Among which, unnecessary data was filtered out, and a total of 7,063 texts were selected for analysis in this study. As for the analysis data, 3,944 cases of Naver (1951 cases on blogs, and 1993 cases on cafes) and 3,119 cases of Daum (1,407 cases on blogs, and 1712 cases on cafes) were analyzed by collection channel (refer to **Table 1**).

Table 1. Results of the data collection

Category	Contents
Channel of collection	Naver's blogs and cafes / Daum's blogs and cafes
	January 1, 2016 - November 30, 2020 (approximately 5 years)
Search term	Library, Lifelong Learning Center

Tool of collection	TEXTOM
Results of collection	Data collected: a total of 8,258 counts
	Data analyzed: a total of 7,063 counts
	(Naver: 3,944 counts / Daum: 3,119 counts)

## 4.3 Data pre-processing

The data collected were first subjected to the data pre-processing for analysis. As for the data pre-processing, first, the original text of the collected data was verified, unnecessary data unrelated to 'public library' were filtered out, and the data were refined through the pre-processing process of the collected text. While noise data such as meaningless characters and special characters, and the stopwords which emerge frequently such as surveys and suffixes but cannot be used for semantic analysis were removed. As for the other extracted data, normalization work was performed to filter out words and phrases unnecessary for analysis, and unify identical words and similar words expressed differently. For instance, if it is expressed as an abbreviated word such as 'Library Policy Committee,' it was unified into 'Library Information Policy Committee,' and as for 'Comprehensive Plan,' it was unified into 'Comprehensive Library Development Plan,' while 'Library Association' was unified into 'Korea Library Association', respectively. Furthermore, the words which are semantically related even if they are not the same were unified to facilitate interpretation. 'Books', 'book', and 'Book' were all unified into 'book', and 'child', 'kid', and 'children' were all unified into 'children'. In addition, the stopwords which are not required for analysis were removed. While the sequence, number, and the personal name, etc., emerge repeatedly and frequently, they do not carry an important meaning, and rather have limited relationships with the other words, and hence, even if they are extracted as nouns, they were removed from the analysis. Such words as 'library', which emerged across all documents and which are difficult to find meaningful information in the analysis process, were also processed as the stopwords. However, when referring to a specific type of library, such as 'public library', 'small library', or 'specialized library', it was included for the analysis (refer to Table 2).

Table 2. Data pre-processing

Division	Contexts (Examples)
Abbreviation → Formal Names	Library Policy Committee → Library Information Policy Committee Comprehensive Plan → Comprehensive Library Development Plan Library Association → Korea Library Association
Words with Same Meanings	Books·Book·book → Book, kid·children·child → child
Elimination of Words whose Meaning Cannot be Easily Found, as They Appear in All Documents	
Elimination of Stopwords	Numbers and Persons' Names, etc.

## 4.4 Data analysis

After the data pre-processing, the words in the form of nouns and adjectives were extracted, and the keyword and sentiment analyses were performed. As for the keywords in the form of nouns among the derived words, the TF analysis and the TF-IDF analysis were performed, and the top 50 keywords for public library were derived. As for the top 50 keywords derived as such, a one way mode symmetric matrix was created, then the networks and clusters were analyzed by utilizing Ucinet6 and NetDraw. As for the inter-keyword network, the relationship between keywords was quantified by analyzing the centrality index, and the inter-keyword network was visualized through NetDraw. Furthermore, CONCOR (Convergence of Iterated Correlations) analysis was perform ed to verify the cluster of keywords.

The emotional analysis was conducted based on learning data, and the data were categorized into positive, neutral and negative poles, by constructing them in the analysis process and applying them to it. The learning data were created by the researcher who directly divided each post of the original data into positive, neutral and negative one. Based on the learning data, the emotional frequency and strength by key words and detailed emotions of positive/negative key words were analyzed by conducting the emotional analysis using the adjective forms of words.

## 5. Research Results

## 5.1 Results of the keyword frequency analysis related to public library

The top 25 keywords with a high frequency of emergence were derived by analyzing the public library related posts made on the social media and portal sites. The keyword with a highest frequency of emergence were 'reading' (6,668 times). Other major keywords with a high frequency of emergence were 'book' (4,855 counts), 'use or usage' (3,915 counts), 'story' (2,933 counts), 'online' (2,595 counts), 'daily life' (2,580 counts), 'cafe' (2,497 counts), 'people' (2,333 counts), 'writing' (2,299 counts), 'children' (2,099 counts), 'thought' (1,995 counts), 'empathy' (1.473 counts), 'time' (1,343 counts), 'support' (1,244 counts), 'COVID-19' (1.135 counts), 'writer' (1.030 counts), 'program' (976 counts), 'mind' (896 counts), 'study' (847 counts), and 'space' (802 counts), etc.

As a result of deriving the TF-IDF values for the keywords, it turned out that the keyword with a highest value was 'reading' (6245.05), 'Book' (6157.06) had an almost identical value as 'reading', and it turned out that such keywords as 'Story' (4178.26), 'people' (3902.24), 'children' (3569.74), 'daily life' (3455.80), and 'use or usage' (3248.42), 'thought' (3200.48), 'writing' (3007.06), 'online' (2824.05), 'cafe' (2645.63), 'empathy' (2323.39), 'writer' (2259.58), 'time' (2154.51), 'progra m' (2131.05), 'COVID-19' (2123.68), 'space' (06.67), 'small library' (1928.24), 'study' (1898.57), and 'friend' (1856.46). As a result of comparing the keywords based on the derived keyword's frequency of emergence and TF-IDF value, 'reading', 'book', 'use or usage', 'story', 'online', 'daily life', 'people', 'writing', 'children', 'cafe', 'thought', and 'empathy' turned out to have a high frequency of emergence and TF-IDF value. As for the other keywords, there was a difference in the ranking in terms of the frequency of emergence and the TF-IDF value, yet there was no difference in

the keywords. It may be inferred that the derived keywords have a very important influence on the social perception of the public library (refer to **Table 3**).

Table 3. TF and TF-IDF values of the keywords related to public library (2016-2020).

Ranking	Keyword	TF	Ranking	Keyword	TF-IDF
1	Reading	6668	1	Reading	6245.05
2	Book	4855	2	Book	6157.06
3	Use or usage	3915	3	Story	4178.26
4	Story	2933	4	People	3902.24
5	Online	2595	5	Children	3569.74
6	Daily life	2580	6	Daily life	3455.80
7	Cafe	2497	7	Use or usage	3248.42
8	People	2333	8	Thought	3200.48
9	Writing	2299	9	Writing	3007.06
10	Children	2029	10	Online	2824.05
11	Thought	1995	11	Cafe	2645.63
12	Empathy	1473	12	Empathy	2323.39
13	Time	1343	13	Writer	2259.58
14	Support	1255	14	Time	2154.51
15	COVID-19	1135	15	Program	2131.05
16	writer	1030	16	COVID-19	2123.68
17	Program	976	17	Space	2006.67
18	Mind	896	18	Small library	1928.24
19	Study	847	19	Study	1898.57
20	Space	846	20	Friend	1856.46
21	Friend	802	21	Mind	1838.17
22	Book recommendation	768	22	Service	1792.78
23	Operation	734	23	Operation	1686.29
24	Service	731	24	Picture book	1678.42
25	small library	631	25	Book recommendation	1619.98 n

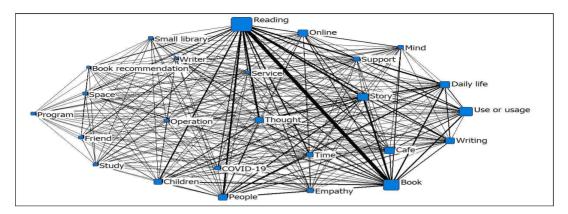


Fig. 1. Network visualization of the keywords related to public library

Fig. 1 illustrates the results of the keyword network visualization according to the frequency analysis. The size of each node was adjusted according to the frequency of each keyword, and the strength of the connection between the keywords was expressed by varying the thickness of the line in line with the frequency of concurrent emergence by keyword.

# 5.2 Results of the centrality analysis of keywords related to public library

The results of surveying the centrality values of the keywords related to public library are as illustrated in **Table 4**.

The degree centrality is a measure which examines how many relationships a specific keyword forms with the other keywords, and a keyword with a high value of degree centrality is likely to have a high probability of being a core keyword. As a result of verifying the degree centrality, the keywords with the greatest influence turned out to be 'reading' (0.058), 'book' (0.043), 'story' (0.028), 'people' (0.023), and 'daily life' (0.023), respectively.

The eigenvector centrality is an index which examines and identifies the importance of the other keywords linked to a specific keyword within the network, and even if the degree centrality is low, if the betweenness centrality is high, it will have a high influence within the network. The eigenvector centrality turned out to be high for 'reading' (66.598), 'book' (60.047), 'story' (34.247), 'people' (29.221), and 'daily life' (28.225).

Other than which, the betweenness centrality is an index which measures the extent to which a specific keyword is located between the other keywords within the network, and if and where the betweenness centrality is high, it plays the role of broker between the other keywords. As a result of the analysis performed, in the case of betweenness centrality, 'reading', 'book', 'use or usage', 'story', 'online', 'daily life', 'children', 'people', 'writing', 'writer', 'life', 'mind', 'health', 'method', 'nature', 'organization', 'space', 'registration', 'memory', 'travel', 'free', 'culture', and 'movie', etc., turned out to be identical with a value of 0.025, respectively.

The closeness centrality is an index which verifies the distance between keywords by calculating the indirect connections between the keywords, and if the degree centrality verifies the directly connected keywords, the closeness centrality derives centrality through all of the indirectly connected keywords. In the case of closeness centrality, 'reading', 'book', 'use or usage', 'story', 'online', 'daily life', 'people', 'writing', 'children', 'writer', 'mind', 'space', 'method', 'travel', 'organization', 'memory', 'life', 'registration', 'health', and 'nature' turned out to have high for the keywords, yet no significant difference between the keywords was verified.

As a result of analyzing the centrality value of the keywords related to public library, it was verified that 'reading', 'book', 'story', 'people', 'daily life', and 'online', etc., play the role of core keywords related to public library. The keywords derived turned out to be very similar as with the result of the TF-IDF analysis, and hence, it may be inferred that it is a concept which accounts for the largest weight in forming the social perception towards public library.

Table 4. Centrality value of the keywords related to public library

Ranking	Keyword	Degree centrality	Keyword	Eigenvector centrality	Keyword	Betweenness centrality	Keyword	Closeness centrality
1	Reading	0.058	Reading	66.598	Reading	0.025	Reading	100.0
2	Book	0.043	Book	60.047	Book	0.025	Book	100.0
3	Story	0.028	Story	34.271	Use or usage	0.025	Use or usage	100.0
4	People	0.023	People	29.221	Story	0.025	Story	100.0
5	Daily life	0.023	Daily life	28.255	Online	0.025	Online	100.0
6	Thought	0.019	Thought	25.444	Daily life	0.025	Daily life	100.0
7	Use or usage	0.019	Children	23.783	Children	0.025	People	100.0
8	Children	0.017	Use or usage	23.630	People	0.025	Writing	100.0
9	Writing	0.014	Writing	16.104	Writing	0.025	Children	100.0
10	Time	0.011	Time	14.229	Writer	0.025	Writer	100.0
11	Writer	0.009	Writer	12.543	Life	0.025	Mind	100.0
12	Cafe	0.009	Space	11.400	Mind	0.025	Space	100.0
13	Online	0.008	Cafe	10.773	Health	0.025	Method	100.0
14	Space	0.008	Online	10.664	Method	0.025	Travel	100.0
15	COVID-19	0.008	Mind	10.628	Nature	0.025	Organizati on	100.0
16	Mind	0.008	Service	9.985	Organizati on	0.025	Memory	100.0
17	Small library	0.008	COVID-19	9.912	Space	0.025	Life	100.0
18	Service	0.007	Book recommend ation	9.530	Registratio n	0.025	Registratio n	100.0

19	Empathy	0.007	Empathy	8.646	Memory	0.025	Health	100.0
20	Book recommend ation	0.007	Study	8.112	Travel	0.025	Nature	100.0
21	Study	0.007	Loan	7.902	Free	0.025	Cafe	99.487
22	Program	0.006	Audio book	7.852	Movie	0.025	Thought	99.487
23	Friend	0.006	Friend	7.786	Culture	0.025	Empathy	99.487
24	Operation	0.006	Operation	7.629	Success	0.024	Time	99.487
25	public library	0.006	Picture book	7.281	Game	0.024	COVID-19	99.487

## 5.3 Results of the CONCOR analysis for keywords related to public library

The CONCOR CONvergence of iteration CORrealtion) analysis was performed to verify the structural equivalence of the keywords related to public library. The setting values for the CONCOR analysis are as illustrated in Fig. 2.

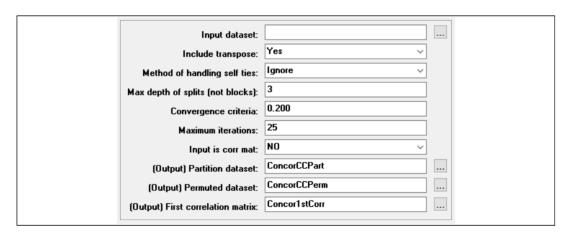


Fig. 2. The CONCOR analysis of the keywords related to public library

As a result of performing the keywords' CONCOR analysis, it was verified that 7 clusters and 1 independent group were formed (refer to **Table 5**). Among the clusters formed, it turned out that 'Cluster 2' has the keywords related to library service connected, and it was verified that 'Cluster 3' has the keywords related to the use of data formed in clusters. In the case of 'Cluster 4', many keywords form a cluster, yet among which, a large number of keywords related to 'reading' such as 'reading', 'book', 'book recommendation', 'picture book', and 'audio book' were demonstrated, while 'Cluster 5' was verified to have many keywords for the daily life related to the library. Furthermore, 'Cluster 6' was verified to have the keywords related to the library's online services, and 'Cluster 7' turned out to have the keywords related to the library programs formed in clusters. The results of the keyword visualization through the CONCOR analysis are as illustrated in **Fig. 3**.

Table 5. Cluster classification of the keywords related to public library

Distribution	Keyword	Name of Cluster
Cluster 1	Empathy, installation, location, creation	Access and use or usage
Cluster 2	Service, operation, data, information, region	Service
Cluster 3	Loan, use or usage, application	Use or usage of data
Cluster 4	Gratefulness, space, picture book, book recommendation, reading, visit, method, children, travel, English, audio book, book, student	Reading
Cluster 5	Study, writing, feeling, mind, people, thought, daily life, class, time, story, writer, fun, friend, COVID-19, need, school, activity, happiness	Daily life
Cluster 6	Online, support, cafe	Online
Cluster 7	Lecturer, proceed, program	Program
Independent 1	Small library	Small library

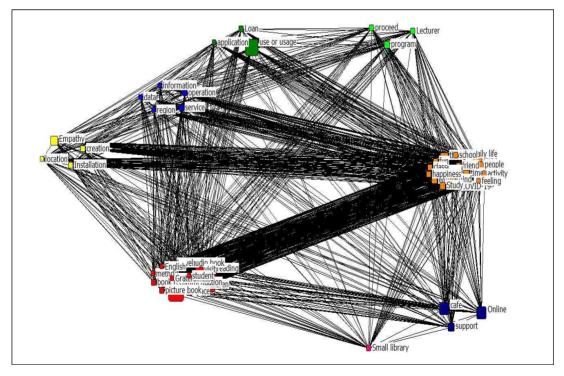


Fig. 3. Visualization of the CONCOR analysis of the keywords related to public library

## 5.4 Results of the sentiment keyword analysis related to public library

**Table 6** illustrates the results of the sentiment analysis of the keywords by utilizing the original text of the public library related posts. Among the keywords, the main keywords which demonstrated only positive sentiment were 'reading', 'neighborhood', 'drive through', 'remodeling', 'free', 'shelf', 'facility', 'start', 'chair', 'exhibition', 'weekend', 'region', 'coffee', 'table', and 'convenience', etc. Neutral keywords were verified to include 'building', 'construction', 'sharing', 'digital', 'appearance', 'media', 'establishment', 'system', 'English', 'online', 'location', 'information', 'provision', and 'computer', etc., and the main keywords with negative sentiment turned out to be 'distance', 'search', 'upgrade', 'graffiti', 'reading room', 'prevention of epidemics', 'librarian', 'noise', 'application', 'postpone', 'error', 'usage guide', 'temporarily closed', 'small library', 'parking lot', 'closed', 'diffusion', and 'temporarily closed', etc.

Table 6. Results of the sentiment analysis of public library keyword

Distribution	Keyword	Remark
Positive	View, interior, city, reading, neighborhood, drive through, remodeling, word, free, shelf, facility, start, chair, exhibition, electronic information room, weekend, resident, area, first, friend, coffee, table, convenience	
Neutral	Building, public library, construction, sharing, digital, appearance, media, establishment, collection, time, citizen, system, travel, English, online, location, music, data, electronic, braille, information, provision, computer, poster, membership card	
Negative	Social distancing, open, search, upgrade, graffiti, reading room, quarantine, librarian, situation, noise, era, audiovisual room, application, postpone, error, use or usage information, Internet, temporarily closed, small library, closing, parking lot, suspension, proceed, participate, permanently closed, spread, closed	
Positive, Neutral	Design, photo, reading room, entrance, data room, book shelf, book cabinet, cafe	
Positive, Negative	Distance, size, guide, story, seat, program	
Neutral, Negative	Reservation, COVID-19	
Positive, Neutral, Negative	Space, study, loan, book, culture, return, visit, people, thought, service, children, operation, use or usage	

In the course of pre-processing the original text of the public library related text, keywords (nouns) and morphemes (adjectives) were extracted to analyze the frequency of emergence and intensity of sentiment related keywords and the detailed sentiment keywords. **Table 7** illustrates the results of analyzing the frequency of emergence and sentimental intensity of the sentiment related keywords. Among the top 50 sentimental keywords with a high frequency of emergence, 36 positive keywords

and 14 negative keywords emerged. More positive keywords were verified, and as a result of deriving the top 50 keywords with a high frequency of emergence, 'good' turned out to have the highest frequency. Other than which, 'modern', 'cool', 'comfortable', 'disappointed', 'cry', 'want', 'recommen d', 'difficult', and 'new', etc., were verified to have the highest frequency in their order, respectively.

As a result of verifying the positive keywords according to the sentimental strength of the keywords, 'convenient', 'comfortable', 'modern', 'fun', 'wonderful', 'cool', and 'beautiful', etc., were verified to be high, and as for the negative keywords, 'scary', 'cry', 'uncomfortable', 'strange', and 'severe', etc., emerged.

**Table 7**. Frequency of emergence and sentimental intensity of the sentiment keywords related to public library.

Ranking	Morphem e	Frequenc y	Sentiment al intensity	Positive / Negative	Ranking	Morphem e	Frequenc y	Sentiment al intensity	Positive / Negative
1	Good	455	4.333	Positive	26	Impressi ve	28	3.444	Positive
2	Modern	98	5.778	Positive	27	Original	28	4.333	Positive
3	Cool	91	5.111	Positive	28	Excellen t	28	2.111	Positive
4	Conveni ent	84	5.889	Positive	29	Hate	28	3.000	Negative
5	Disappoi nted	63	2.889	Negative	30	Not attractive	28	4.111	Negative
6	Cry	56	5.667	Negative	31	Attractiv eness	28	2.889	Positive
7	Want	56	5.000	Positive	32	Natural	28	4.556	Positive
8	Recomm end	56	4.778	Positive	33	Inadequa te	28	2.333	Negative
9	Difficult	56	2.778	Negative	34	Pleasant	28	2.889	Positive
10	New	49	2.778	Positive	35	Inconven ient	28	4.667	Negative
11	Pretty	49	4.222	Positive	36	Awesom e	28	4.222	Positive
12	Wonderf ul	42	5.333	Positive	37	Special	21	3.778	Positive
13	Neat	42	4.444	Positive	38	Beautiful	21	5.111	Positive
14	Interesti ng	42	3.444	Positive	39	Okay	21	4.333	Positive
15	Sad	42	3.333	Negative	40	Laugh	21	3.222	Positive
16	Like	35	2.778	Positive	41	Innovati	21	3.889	Positive

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17	Warm	35	4.333	Positive	42	Joyful	21	5.667	Positive
18	Grateful	35	3.444	Positive	43	Strange	21	4.667	Negative
19	Hard	35	3.556	Negative	44	Neat	21	4.000	Positive
20	Grow	35	4.000	Positive	45	Burdens ome	21	3.778	Negative
21	Fun	35	2.667	Positive	46	Scary	21	6.111	Negative
22	Sentime ntal	28	3.222	Positive	47	Detailed	21	3.889	Positive
23	Popular	28	4.000	Positive	48	Cute	14	4.333	Positive
24	Severe	28	4.444	Negative	49	Extraord inary	14	4.778	Positive
25	Conveni ent	28	6.667	Positive	50	Very uncomfo rtable	14	2.222	Negative

After classifying the sentimental keywords into the positive and negative, the detailed sentiments were verified based on the frequency and sentimental intensity of each keyword. The positive keywords were sub-classified into the 3 sentiments of 'like', 'interest', and 'joy'.<sup>2)</sup> The keywords which have the most influence on 'like' are 'good', 'modern', 'comfortable', 'cool', 'recommend', 'pretty', 'convenient', 'clean', 'warm', and 'grow', etc., respectively. The keywords which have much influence on 'interest' are 'want', 'new', 'wonderful', 'interesting', 'fun', 'original', 'impressive', 'innovative', 'special', and 'unique', etc., respectively. Lastly, the keywords which influence 'joy' are 'grateful', 'joyful', 'pleasant', 'smile', 'nice to meet', 'best', 'funny', 'impressed', 'happy', and 'great work', etc., respectively (refer to **Table 8**).

**Table 8**. Detailed sentiment of positive keywords.

Classification	Like		Interest		Joy	
Ranking	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity
1	Good	1971.652	Want	280.000	Grateful	120.554
2	Modern	566.224	New	136.112	Joyful	119.001
3	Comfortable	494.668	Wonderful	223.999	Pleasant	80.889
4	Cool	465.110	Interesting	144.665	Laugh	67.666

<sup>2)</sup> TEXTOM, which was utilized as an analytical tool for this study, provides a self-produced sentimental word dictionary by clssifying the words into the positive and negative. The positive keywords have 3 detailed words such as interest, like, and joy, whereas the negative keywords have 6 detailed words, such as pain, sadness, anger, fear, surprise, and disgust.

5	Recommend	267.557	Fun	93.335	Nice to see	63.778
6	Pretty	206.888	Original	121.332	Best	56.000
7	Convenient	186.668	Impressive	96.443	Funny	49.784
8	Neat	186.665	Innovative	81.667	Inspiring	35.000
9	Warm	151.666	Special	79.333	Pleased	31.111
10	Grow	140.000	Unique	68.445	Great job	30.333
11	Natural	127.557	Extraordinary	66.889	Thrilled	26.445
12	Awesome	118.222	Expect	65.333	Exciting	26.445
13	Popular	112.000	Intense	31.111	Restless	25.667
14	Beautiful	107.333	Splendid	38.111	Нарру	17.889
15	Like	97.223	Vivid	34.222	-	-
16	Okay	90.999	Unconventional	32.667	-	-
17	Sentimental	90.222	Unusual	28.000	-	-
18	Neat	84.000	Envy	24.111	-	-
19	Detailed	81.667	Overwhelming	23.333	-	-
20	Attractiveness	80.889	Rare	21.000	-	-

After classifying the detailed sentiments of the negative keywords into 'disgust', 'sadness', and 'fear', etc., the results of verifying the meaningful results from among the detailed words which significantly influence 'disgust' turned out to be 'discomfort', 'difficult', 'severe', 'not attractive', 'strange', 'burden', 'not enough', 'hard to understand', 'dirty', and 'complicated', etc., respectively. The keywords which have a great influence on the word of 'sadness' were 'cry', 'disappointed', 'difficult', 'hurt', 'sad', 'pitiful', 'regret', 'blame self', 'apologize', and 'somber', etc., and in the case of 'fear', it was verified that the influence was high in the order of 'scary', 'worry', 'anxiety', 'dizzy', 'unstable', and 'caution', etc., respectively (refer to **Table 9**).

Table 9. Detailed sentiment of negative keywords.

Classification	Disgust		Sadness		Fear	
Ranking	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity	Keyword	Frequency× Sentimental intensity
1	Inconvenient	130.668	Cry	317.335	Scary	128.333
2	Hard	124.446	Disappointed	182.001	Worry	31.111
3	Severe	124.443	Difficult	155.557	Anxiety	34.222
4	Not attractive	115.111	Hurt	139.999	Dizzy	29.555
5	Strange	98.001	Sad	68.445	Instability	20.222

6	Burdensome	79.334	Pitiful	43.555	Caution	11.667
7	Inadequate	65.332	Regret	31.111	-	-
8	Hard to understand	52.889	Blame self	25.667	-	-
9	Dirty	42.778	Apologize	24.111	-	-
10	Complicated	37.334	Somber	20.222	-	-
11	Bothersome	31.111	Empty	11.667	-	-
12	Cumbersome	31.111	-	-	-	-
13	Coarse	29.555	-	-	-	-
14	Perplexed	23.333	-	-	-	-
15	Distracted	21.778	-	-	-	-
16	Useless	18.667	-	-	-	-
17	Embarrassed	17.111	-	-	-	-
18	Weak	10.889	-	-	-	-
19	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### 6. Discussions

This study utilized 'Library' and 'Lifelong Learning Center' as search terms to verify the core keywords and sentiment towards public library, and has collected the public library related texts posted on blogs and cafes of Naver and Daum, the portal sites, for approximately 5 years from January 1, 2016 until November 30, 2020. The frequency of emergence and the TF-IDF values were verified by extracting the data collected through the data pre-processing. Based on the analytical results, the following matters may be discussed.

First, as a result of the keyword frequency and the TF-IDF analysis, it was verified that 'reading' and 'book' had a higher frequency and TF-IDF values than the other keywords, and the connection between the two keywords was also verified to be very high. Such results may be considered such that the social perception of public library is primarily formed by the keywords of 'reading' and 'book'.

Second, as a result of verifying the keywords with a high frequency and TF-IDF values, excluding the keywords of 'reading' and 'book' mentioned in the above, the keywords of 'use or usage', 'online', 'story', 'daily life', 'people', 'writing', 'children', 'cafe', 'thought', and 'empathy', etc., emerged. Among which, the keyword of 'use or usage' has been interpreted to be the contents related to the general use of library, and it is presumed that interest may have been the cause given the operational restrictions since the outbreak of infectious diseases such as 'COVID-19',3)

<sup>3)</sup> The keyword of 'COVID-19' was not included among the top 10 for the frequency of emergence and

as well as 'online' and the contactless services.

Third, as a result of performing the sentiment analysis and classifying the keywords into positive, neutral, and negative, the positive sentiment analysis verified 'reading', 'neighborhood', 'drive through', 'remodeling', 'free', 'shelf', 'facility', 'start', 'chair', 'exhibition', 'weekend', 'region', 'coffee', 'table', and 'convenience', etc. As a result of comparing and analyzing the derived keywords with the original text, it was verified that most of the those posting the public library related articles posted their articles on after visit thoughts, or after visiting and using library utilizing their time of leisure, or experiencing the library's contactless service during the pandemic situation. Public library would be a positive factor in the utilization of public library facilities, services, and individual's leisure time. Examining ways to develop public library based on positive keywords, it seems that it would be necessary to create a new library's image which transcends the existing role and image of the library and create continuous services which may enhance the convenience of use.

Fourth, in the case of neutral keywords, 'building', 'construction', 'sharing', 'digital', 'appearance', 'media', 'establish men', 'system', 'English', 'online', 'location', 'information', 'provision', and 'computer', etc., were verified. It is considered that the users demonstrated neutral sentiments because they did not contain any special sentiment or thoughts in terms of online and offline facilities and those for the library services. In terms of the library facilities, digital media devices, etc., are perceived to be universal facilities by the users, and a low satisfaction with the facilities could cause negative sentiments. It is also necessary to facilitate the deployment of public libraries for new devices which may utilize technologies such as the Internet of Things, AR/VR, and artificial intelligence, while proactively seeking to develop new services in connection thereto.

Fifth, the keywords with negative sentiments towards public library turned out to be 'distance', 'search', 'upgrade', 'graffiti', 'reading room', 'prevention', 'librarian', 'noise', 'application', 'postpon e', 'error', 'usage guide', 'temporarily closed', 'small library', 'parking lot', 'permanently closed', 'diffusion', and 'closed', etc. The spread of infectious disease, social distancing, and temporary closure and the permanent closure of libraries, etc., would have affected the negative sentiments. Other negative keywords were derived such as graffiti, usage guide, noise, errors, search, and physical and human inconveniences which may be experienced while using the library. In particular, among the negative keywords, the fact that librarian was derived would require a discussion of greater depth for enhancing the user satisfaction.

Sixth, as a result of analyzing the sentiment related keywords for the public library, the positive keywords towards the library were verified to be 'convenient', 'fun', 'comfortable', 'wonderful', and 'modern', etc. Based on which, it would be necessary to consider ways to satisfy the user's sentiments of convenience and pleasure in order to increase the positive perception towards public library.

TF-IDF, yet it was ranked 15th for frequency and 16th for the TF-IDF value.

## 7. Conclusion & Recommendations

In such a rapidly evolving society, public library is faced with various demands as a cultural hub institution. In this study, the semantic connection network and the sentiment analysis were performed by utilizing the texts related to public library. Based on which, an attempt was made to provide the basic data to verify the core keywords and sentiment of public library and propose future directions of public library thereby.

For the study, Naver and Daum, which are major portal sites in Korea, were used as the channels of data collection. The data for the last 5 years were collected from January 1, 2016 until November 30, 2020 by using the keywords of 'Library' and 'Lifelong Learning Center.' A total of 8,258 counts of data were collected, of which 7,063 counts of data were used for the analysis. The data collected underwent data pre-processing, and the frequency of emergence and TF-IDF value were analyzed to derive the main keywords, and the centrality and network structure of the keywords were analyzed, while the structural equivalence and cluster characteristics of the keywords were verified. Furthermore, the sentiment analysis was performed for the collected texts to verify what keywords indicate positive and negative perceptions towards the public library.

As a result of verifying the frequency of emergence of the keywords and TF-IDF values, 'reading', 'book', 'use or usage', 'story', 'online', 'daily life', 'people', 'writing', 'children', 'cafe', 'thought', and 'empathy', etc., turned out to have a high frequency of appearance and the high TF-IDF values, which suggested that the derived keywords have a very important influence on the social perception of public libraries. As a result of verifying the centrality of the keywords related to the public library, it was verified that 'reading', 'book', 'story', 'people', 'daily life', and 'online', etc., play the role of core keywords in a network structure related to the public library such as degree centrality, eigenvector centrality, betweenness centrality, and closeness centrality, etc. In particular, such keywords as 'reading', 'book', 'story', 'people', and 'daily life' were derived as important keywords for both the TF-IDF analysis and centrality analysis, and were verified to be a concept which occupies a significant weight in forming the social perception toweards the public library. As a result of performing the keywords' CONCOR analysis, 7 clusters and 1 independent group were verified. The clusters formed could be classified into the library access and use, services, data use, reading, daily life, online, and program, etc., respectively.

In the course of pre-processing the original text of the public library related text, keywords (nouns) and morphemes (adjectives) were extracted to analyze the frequency of emergence and intensity of sentiment related keywords and the detailed sentiment keywords, and consequently, 36 positive keywords and 14 negative kyewords emerged, where more positive keywords were verified. As for the frequency of emergency, the keywords emerged in the order of 'good', 'modern', 'cool', 'comfortable', 'sorry', 'cry', 'want', 'recommend', 'difficult', and 'new', etc., and as a result of verifying the keywords according to the sentimental intensity, the sentimental intensify of 'convenient' turned out to be the highest. Other than which, the positive keywords according to the sentimental intensity were verified in the order of 'convenient', 'comfortable', 'modern', 'fun', 'wonderful', 'cool', and 'beautiful', etc., and as for the negative keywords, 'cry', 'discomfort', 'strange', and 'severe', etc., were verified.

In addition, as a result of sub-classifying the positive keywords into the 3 sentiments of 'like', 'interesting', and 'joy', the keywords which influence the most influence on 'like' were verified to be 'good', 'modern', 'comfort', 'cool', 'recommend', 'pretty', 'convenient', 'clean', 'warm', and 'grow', etc. The keywords which have a great influence on 'interest' turned out in the order of 'want', 'new', 'wonderful', 'interesting', 'fun', 'original', 'impressive', 'innovative', 'special', and 'unique', etc. Lastly, the keywords which influence 'joy' turned out in the order of 'grateful', 'joyful', 'pleasant', 'smile', 'nice to meet', 'best', 'funny', 'impressive', 'happy', and 'great job', etc. The negative keywords were classified into 'disgust', 'sadness', and 'fear', then the detailed sentiments were verified. As a result of verifying the significant results, the keywords which have a large influence on 'disgust' were verified to be in the order of 'inconvenient', 'difficult', 'severe', 'not attractive', 'strange', 'burden', 'not enough', 'difficult', 'dirty', and 'complicated', etc. The keywords which have a great influence on the word of 'sadness' were verified to be 'cry', 'disappointed', 'difficult', 'hurt', 'sad', 'pitiful', 'regret', 'blame self', 'apologize', and 'somber', etc., and in the case of 'fear', it was verified that the influence was high in the order of 'scary', 'worry', 'anxiety', 'dizzy', 'unstable', and 'caution', etc., respectively.

Based on such analytical results, the social perception of public library was presented as follows. First, 'reading' and 'book' turned out to have the higher frequency and TF-IDF values compared to the other keywords, which suggests that the social perception of public library is largely formed with the keywords of 'reading' and 'book'.

Second, as a result of verifying the other keywords with high frequency and TF-IDF value, it was verified that a lot of keywords which assumed interest in the use of library and the contactless services were derived.

Third, as a result of performing the sentiment analysis and classifying the keywords into positive, neutral, and negative, it was verified that public library was a positive factor in terms of the utilization of public library facilities, services, and individual's leisure time.

Fourth, in terms of the online and offline facilities and the facilities for library services, the users did not have any special feelings or thoughts, and hence, it was verified as a neutral sentiment, and in terms of the library facilities, digital media devices, etc., are considered to be perceived to be universal facilities by the users.

Fifth, the keywords with negative sentiments towards the public library turned out to be 'distance', 'search', 'upgrade', 'graffiti', 'reading room', 'prevention', 'librarian', 'noise', 'application', 'postpon e', 'error', 'usage guide', 'temporarily closed', 'small library', 'parking lot', 'permanently closed', 'diffusion', and 'temporarily closed', etc. The spread of infectious disease, social distancing, and temporary closure and the permanent closure of libraries, etc., would have affected the negative sentiments, and the fact that librarian was derived as a negative keyword would require a discussion of greater depth for enhancing the user satisfaction.

On the basis of the results above, the following suggestions can be considered to discuss the orientation of public libraries.

First, social perceptions on public libraries were found to be strongly formed with key words such as 'reading' and 'book'. This suggests that the basic factors such as 'reading' and 'book'

need to be maintained in managing libraries in the future.

Second, it seems to be necessary to create sustainable services for establishing new library images and enhancing the convenience for users, by escaping from the fixed roles and images of the existing libraries, when the developmental plans for public libraries were made based on key words with higher occurrence frequency, such as 'use', 'online', 'story', 'life', 'person', 'writing', 'child', 'cafe', 'thought', 'empathy', etc. as well as positive ones, such as 'reading', 'town', 'drive through', 'remodelin g', 'free', 'bookshelf', 'facility', 'start', 'chair', 'exhibition', 'weekend', 'locality', 'coffee', 'table', 'convenience', etc.

The key words drawn were analyzed by comparing them with original texts, to show that posters who wrote texts about public libraries were often found to upload postscripts written after visiting or using neighboring public libraries by using free time or experiencing non-contact library services during the pandemic. Public libraries are thought to be positive factors for public library facilities, services and the use of individual free time.

Third, users have neutral emotions about the onlne/offline facilities and equipment for library services, without special thought or feelings. This suggests that users perceive digital media devices in library facilities as general ones and their low satisfaction with them may cause negative emotions. It is thus necessary to actively place new devices for using IoT, AR/VR, A.I., etc. in public libraries and plan to develop new services connected to them.

Fourth, physical/personal complaints, such as graffiti, use guidance, noise, error, search, parking lot, etc., which users can encounter in using libraries were drawn as negative key words. In particular, some negative key words drawn by librarians may need to be more deeply discussed to enhance users' satisfaction.

Fifth, positive key words for libraries were found as follows: 'convenient', 'enjoy', 'comfortable', 'wonderful', 'modernistic', etc. It is thus necessary to consider how to satisfy users' needs for convenience and enjoyment, in order to increase their positive perceptions on public libraries.

This study attempted to verify key words and emotions about public libraries, by using semantic networks and the emotional analysis technique. It cannot present changes in emotional key words by periods, so future research should verify such changes in perceptions by analyzing social perceptions on public libraries by periods, based on the results of this study. In addition, it is necessary to verify changes in perceptions among interest groups, by analyzing the data with which library stakeholde rs' opinions can be verified and provide a new vision for managing public libraries, by analyzing groups' preferences for public libraries. through the emotional analysis.

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