Information Extraction

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Information Extraction: Overview

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Candidate	Party	Feb Fundraising Total
Sanders	D	\$46,500,000
Biden	D	\$18,000,000
Warren	D	\$29,000,000

Named Entity Recognition

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- Label certain kinds of proper nouns:
 - Personal names
 - Organizations
 - Geopolitical entities
 - Locations
 - Etc.

Nested Named Entity Recognition

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Entity Linking

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Relation Extraction

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Event Extraction

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Event	TRANSFER-MONEY
Trigger	raised
Recipient-Arg	Bernie Sanders
Money-Arg	\$46.5 million
Time-Arg	February

Similar to SRL



- As sequence labeling
 - Use the BIO scheme to represent entity spans and types

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- As sequence labeling
 - Use the BIO scheme to represent entity spans and types
 - Problematic when handling nested entities
 - Ambiguous labeling

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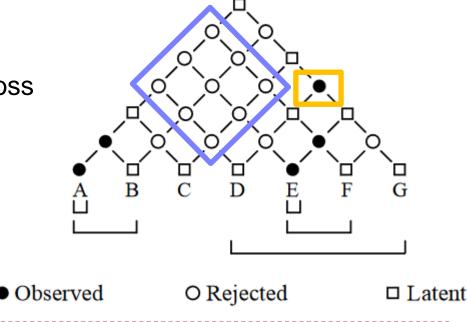
- As span classification
 - For each span, predict its entity type (including NONE)

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4		NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	
5		NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	
6			NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	
7				NONE	ORG	NONE	
8					NONE	NONE	

- As constituency parsing
 - Entities are constituents in a partially-observed constituency parse tree
 - Compared with span classification, here we restrict entities to be non-crossing spans.

These spans cannot be entities because they cross with the yellow entity.



Methods: Relation Extraction

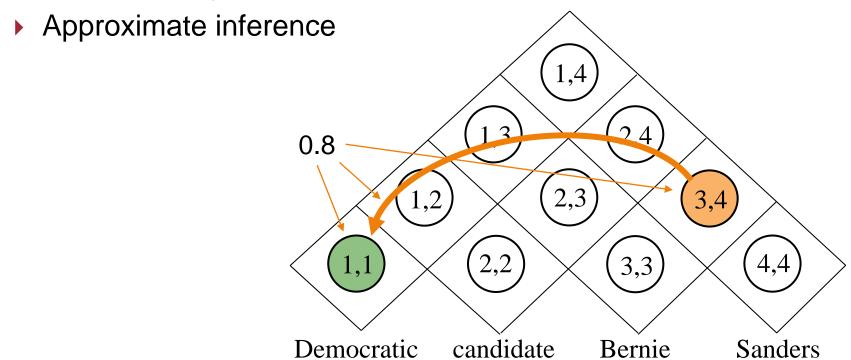
- Given entity spans, predicting relations between them is just like predicting dependency arcs between words
 - Possible features
 - Labels of the two entities
 - Text spans of the two entities
 - Text between the two entities
 - Syntactic dependency path between the two entities

Joint Extraction

- ▶ Predicting entities and relations jointly, instead of the "entity → relation" pipeline
 - Avoid error propagation
 - Relations may place constraints on entity types
 - Ex: the LIVEIN relation should appear between a PERSON and a LOCATION entity.
- Event extraction is similar
 - Triggers and arguments are like entities
 - Roles are like relations
 - They can be predicted jointly

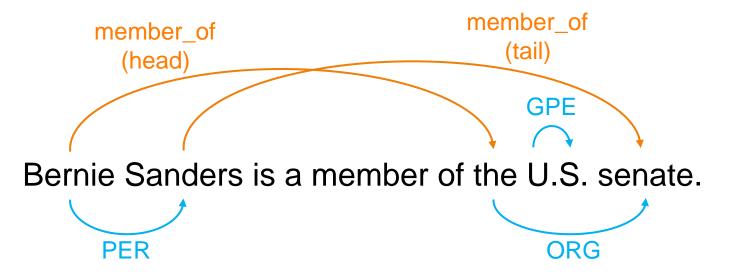
Methods: Joint Extraction

- Scoring combinations of entities and relations
- Method 1
 - Scoring every triple containing two entities and one relation
 - Entity pruning needed



Methods: Joint Extraction

- Scoring combinations of entities and relations
- Method 2
 - Each entity represented by one arc
 - Each relation represented by two arcs
 - Scoring and inference are similar to high-order dependency parsing



Summary

Information Extraction

- Subtasks
 - Named entity recognition
 - Relation extraction
 - Event extraction
 - ...
- Methods
 - Sequence labeling
 - Span/arc classification
 - Joint extraction
 - ...