Feature-Less End-to-End Nested Term Extraction

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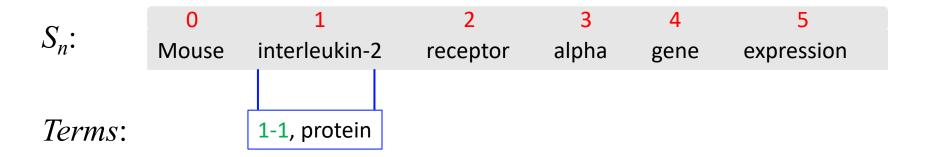
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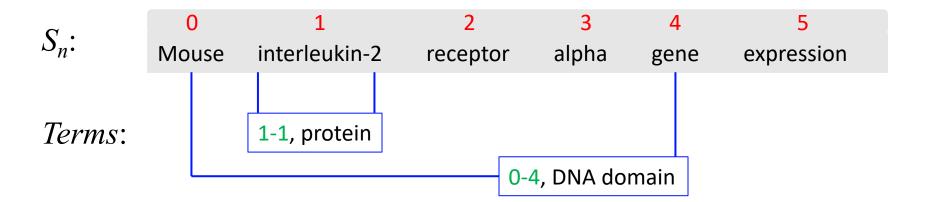


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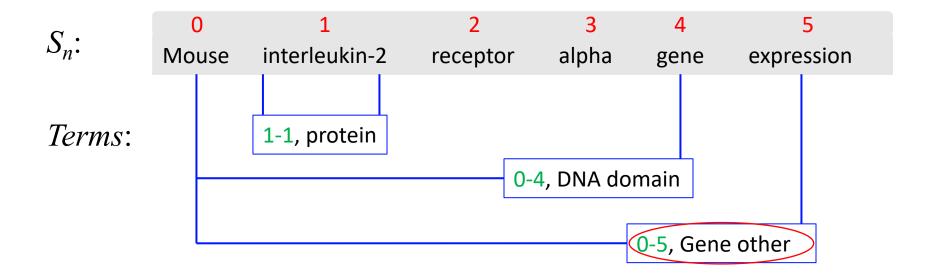


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• Problems:

- Nested Term is very common in terminology extraction.
- Feature-based methods call for prepared features and the preparation is time-consuming and complex.
- Sequence Labelling Methods do not support nested term extraction.
- Most existing systems do not take advantage of information from sentence level



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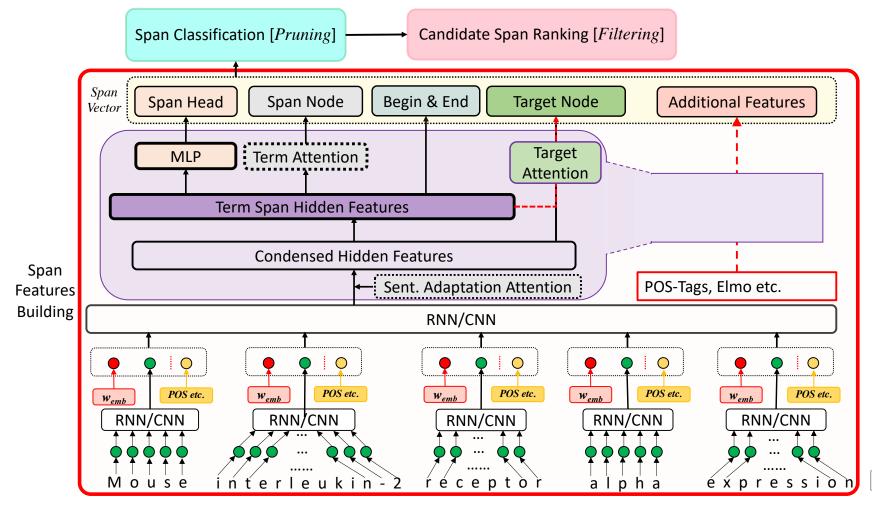
Sentence $(n=6)$	"Mouse interleukin-2 receptor alpha gene expression"
True Term Spans	[0, 4], [0, 5], [1, 1]
Model Processed Spans $(k=5)$	[0, 0], [0, 1], [0, 2], [0, 3], [0, 4], [1, 1], [1, 2], [1, 3], [1, 4], [1, 5], [2, 2], [2, 3], [2, 4], [2, 5], [3, 3], [3, 4], [3, 5], [4, 4], [4, 5], [5, 5]



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 - The span is used as processed unit, represent every span with a vector.
 - External feature is not a must, we build feature patterns internally from hidden output.

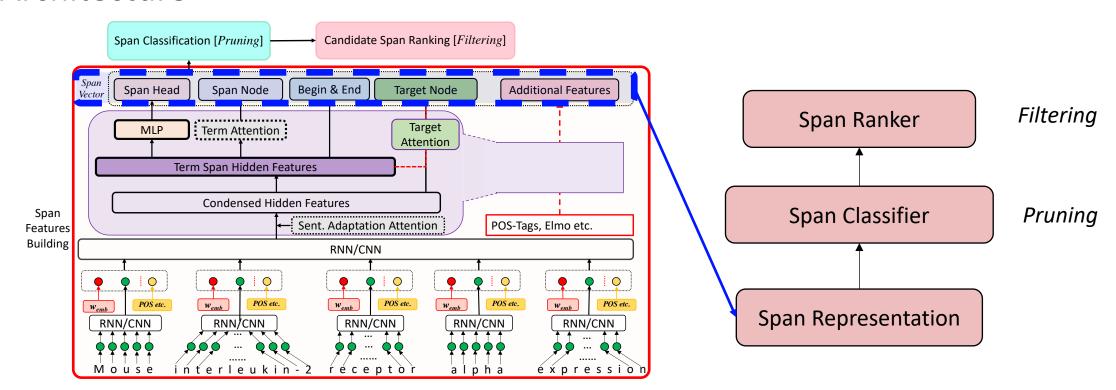


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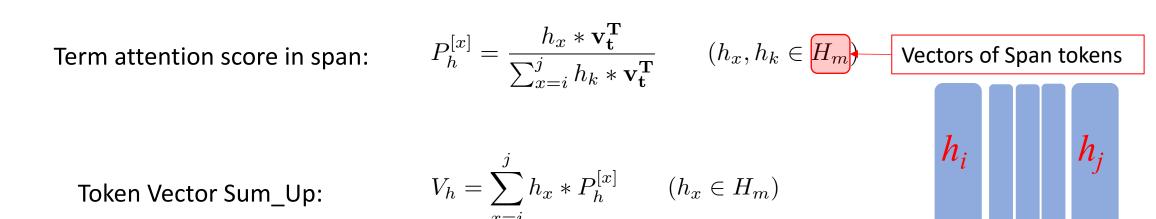
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Term attention score in span:

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 $(h_x, h_k \in H_m)$ Vectors of Span tokens h_i

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Reduce the concatenation of token vectors via a Multi-Layer Perceptron:

$$V_n = MLP([h_i : h_{i+1} : \dots : h_j])$$

 h_i

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Use the mean vector as target, apply attention mechanism over sentence

$$\begin{cases} P_s^{[x]} = \frac{h_s[x] * \hat{h_m}^T}{\sum_{k=1}^n h_s[k] * \hat{h_m}^T} & (h_s[x], h_s[k] \in H_s) \\ V_s = \sum_{i=1}^n h_s[x] * P_s^{[x]} & h_I \end{cases}$$

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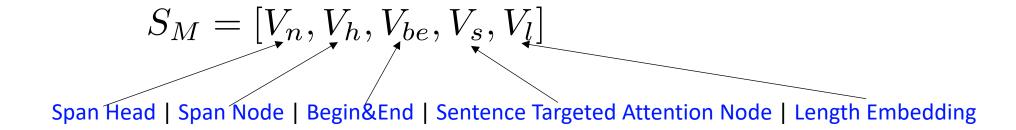
$$S_M = [V_n, V_h, V_{be}, V_s, V_l]$$



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$$Loss_{(ranker)} = \sum_{y \in Y_{\{gold\}}} (1 - Sigmoid(y)) + \sum_{y' \in Y_{\{K-gold\}}} Sigmoid(y')$$



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- Data:
 - GENIA 3.02¹ Corpus



• Results:

		Precision	Recall	F1
Wang et al. [10]		0.647	0.780	0.707
Yuan et al. [5]		0.7466	0.6847	0.7143
	Random	0.5044	0.9639	0.6622
	Embedding	0.0044	0.9009	0.0022
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(Classifier)	+ POS-tag	0.5198	0.9632	0.6753
	+ ELMo	0.5220	0.9541	0.6748
	+ ALL	0.5163	0.9698	0.6738
	Random	0.7237	0.8343	0.7751
	Embedding	0.1201	0.0040	0.1101
Our Model	GloVe	0.7244	0.8356	0.7760
(Ranker)	+ POS-tag	0.7265	0.8375	0.7780
	+ ELMo	0.7252	0.8386	0.7778
	+ ALL	0.7316	0.8327	0.7789



• Results on different feature patterns:

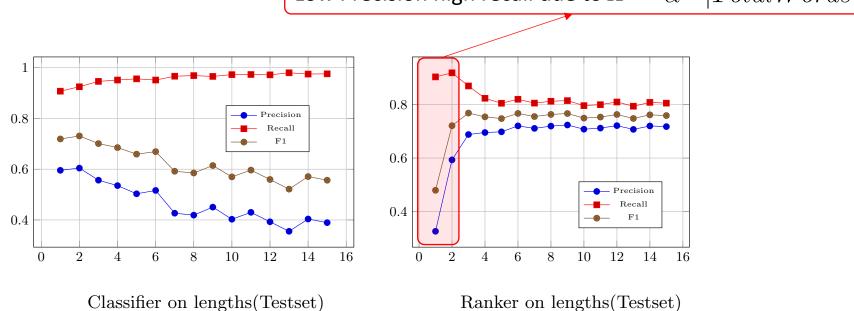
	Classifier (F1)	Ranker (F1)
Begin&End	0.6171	0.7423
+SpanLen	0.6244	0.7489
+SpanNode	0.6343	0.7535
+SpanHead	0.6488	0.7648
+TargetNode	0.6622	0.7751

Local Level VS. Sentence level



Results on span length:

Low Precision high recall due to $K = \alpha \cdot |TotalWords|$





Example

Sentence	Analysis of the biochemical ₃ and cell ₅ biological ₆ properties ₇ of these HSFs ₁₀ reveals that HSF3 has properties in common with both HSF1 and HSF2 and yet has features which are distinct from both .	Using a_1 polyclonal ₂ antibody ₃ to murine ₅ NFATp ₆ , Western blot analysis of various ₁₂ mouse ₁₃ tissues ₁₄ demonstrated that the 110-130-kDa ₁₈ NFATp ₁₉ protein ₂₀ was highly expressed in thymus and spleen .
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Classifier	[3, 3], [3, 7], [3, 5], [5, 5], [5, 6], [5, 7], [6, 7], [10, 10], [13, 13], [13, 15], [20, 20], [22, 22]	[2,3], [5,5], [5,6], [6,6], [8,10], [12,14], [13,13], [13,14], [18,18], [18,20], [18,19], [19,19], [19,20], [25,25], [27,27]
Ranker	[20, 20], [13, 13], [22, 22], [10, 10], [3, 7], [6, 7]	[19, 20], [12, 14], [18, 20], [19, 19], [13, 14], [6, 6], [2, 3], [25, 25], [27, 27], [5, 6], [18, 19]



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- This method can achieve the state-of-art results without any external features. (Refer slides 48)
- In contrast with local features, sentence level features can contribute more in term extraction task. (Refer slides 49)
- Designing reasonable feature pattern to reform hidden features is more efficient.



Thank you

Code is available at: https://github.com/CooDL/Nested-Term-Extraction

