





ACL 2022 Tutorial

Concluding Remarks: Knowledge-Augmented Methods for NLP

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Three Slides: Knowledge in NLP



Augment Knowledge for What? (a) Natural Language Understanding

- Information Extraction: NER, Entity linking, Slot filling, Relation prediction, Fact verification
- Question answering: Open-domain QA, Commonsense QA, Knowledge-base QA

Obtain Knowledge from Where?

- Wiki-based: Wikipedia, WikiData, Wiktionary
- General domain: Freebase, DBpedia, YAGO
- Specific domains: UMLS, ArnetMiner, DBLP
- Commonsense: OMCS, ConceptNet

Use Knowledge via How?

- Entity linking based methods
 - ERNIE (ACL'19), KEAR (IJCAI'22), EaE (EMNLP'20), FILM (ACL'21), K-BERT (AAAI'20)
- Retrieval based methods
 - DPR (EMNLP'20), REALM (ICML'20), REINA (ACL'22), RETRO ('21), WebGPT ('21)

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Augment Knowledge for What? (b) Natural Language Generation

- Question answering: Question generation and Answer generation
- Dialog systems: Response generation
- Reasoning: Explanation generation
- Machine translation; Summarization; Paraphrasing

Obtain Knowledge from Where?

- Structured knowledge (Knowledge graph): WikiData, Freebase, DBPedia, YAGO, ConceptNet
- Unstructured knowledge (Grounded document): Wikipedia, Wiktionary, ArnetMiner, OMCS

Use Knowledge via How?

- Knowledge graph based methods
 - GRF (EMNLP'20), CCM (IJCAI'18), MoKGE (ACL'22)
- Grounded document based methods
 - RAG (NeurIPS'20), RE-T5 (ACL'21), CMR (ACL'19)

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Augment Knowledge for What? (c) Commonsense Reasoning

- "commonsense reasoning is a human-like ability to make presumptions about the type and essence of ordinary situations humans encounter every day."
- Human-level AI

Obtain Knowledge from Where?

Commonsense: OMCS, ConceptNet

Use Knowledge via How?

- KagNet (EMNLP'19), MHGRN (EMNLP'20), QA-GNN (NAACL'21)
- GreaseLM (ICLR'22), GSC (ICLR'22)
- CommonGen (EMNLP'20), KFCNet (EMNLP'21), KG-BART (AAAI'21), I&V (ICLR'22)
- DrFact (NAACL'21): Concept-Fact Hypergraph, Dense fact embeddings

Future Directions



- Augment Knowledge for What?
 - Desired properties: Accuracy, Diversity, Interpretability, etc.
 - Specialized domains: Technical support, Online education, Emotional support, Scientific discovery, etc.
- Obtain Knowledge from Where?
 - Heterogeneity: Multiple types of knowledge source data
 - Interconnectivity: Multiple knowledge fragments that are complementary or interconnected
 - Veracity: Multiple levels of reliability of information sources (Beyond verified information)
 Scalability, etc.
- Use Knowledge via How? Your MAGIC!

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