

## Last Meeting Update

**Paper:** Identification of Rhetorical Roles of Sentences in Indian Legal Judgments

**Task:** Semantic Segmentation (sentence level)

**Facts (FAC):** Chronology of events that led to filing the case, and how the case evolved over time

**Ruling by Lower Court (RLC):** Verdict of the lower Court and the ratio behind the judgement

**Argument (ARG):** Court's discussion on the law that is applicable to the set of proven facts

**Statute (STA):** Established laws from Acts , Sections, Articles, Rules, Order, Notices, Notifications

**Precedent (PRE):** Prior case documents. Instructions similar to statute citations

**Ratio of the decision (Ratio):** Reason given for the application of any legal principle

**Ruling by Present Court (RPC):** Ultimate decision / conclusion of the Court

Trained Hier-BiLSTM-CRF with Pretrained embeddings with their data

Model tested on our data [ 1 ADJ ; 1 SAT ]

**Table 3.** Macro Precision, Recall and F-score of the baseline methods and neural network-based methods. Best performances highlighted in boldface.

Category	Method	Variations	Precision	Recall	F-score
Baselines (CRF with handcrafted features)	Features from [2]	-	0.4138	0.3308	0.4054
	Features from [4]	-	0.4580	0.4196	0.3250
	Features from [4] and [2]	-	0.5070	0.4358	0.4352
Neural models	Hier-BiLSTM	Pretrained emb	0.8168	0.7852	0.7968
		Random initialization	0.5358	0.5254	0.5236
	Hier-BiLSTM-CRF	Pretrained emb	<b>0.8396</b>	<b>0.8098</b>	<b>0.8208</b>
		Random initialization	0.6528	0.5524	0.5784

## Directions for Legal Case Files

Semantic Segmentation : Segment out context/relevant info

Text Simplification: Simplify text and then extract context/relevant info

Semantic Segmentation - I	Semantic Segmentation - II	Text Simplification
1. Use the base papers' labels that perform well on our data i.e if they can classify relevant information	1. Define our own labels 2. Use the annotation approach & methodology from the base paper	1. Simplify the entire document to improve understanding and extraction 2. Then extract the information
Cons: 1. Irrelevant labels 2. Not trained using our data	Cons: 1. Annotation of about 9k sentences from 50 relevant case files 2. Crawl 50k documents for sentence embedding pretraining	Cons: 1. Challenging with limited data 2. No relevant pre existing dataset for this task
Next Step: Simplify extracted context/info and then map to regulation regulation	Next Step: Simplify extracted context/info and then map to regulation regulation	Next Step: Map to regulation regulation

Original Sentence	Simplified Sentence
Owls are the order Strigiformes, comprising 200 bird of prey species.	An owl is a bird. There are about 200 kinds of owls.

Next Meeting:

1. Analysis of the results using their best model on our data
2. Relevant papers for text simplification (legal domain) that can help
3. Any relevant datasets available