



# Information Extraction

Relation Extraction

# Relation Detection and Classification

- What is “Relation Detection”
  - This task determines, whether (usually) two entities are part of a relation (e.g. Family relation)

Die Geburt einer Tochter lässt Effi reifer und fraulicher werden;  
The birth of a daughter makes Effi more mature and womanly;



The diagram shows a blue arc labeled 'hatRelation' connecting the word 'Tochter' (highlighted in a yellow box) and 'Effi' (highlighted in a yellow box). Above the arc is the number '26'. To the right of 'Effi' is a pink female symbol and the number '3'.

- Or not:

die Briefe, die Crampas in Kessin an Effi geschrieben hat.  
the letters that Crampas wrote to Effi in Kessin.



The diagram shows a blue arc labeled 'hatRelation' connecting the word 'Crampas' (highlighted in a yellow box) and 'Effi' (highlighted in a yellow box). Above the arc is the number '4'. To the left of 'Crampas' is a pink male symbol, and to the right of 'Effi' is a pink female symbol and the number '3'.

➔ Binary classification

# Relation Detection and Classification

- What is “Relation classification”
  - This task determines the label of a previously detected relation
  - Not used consistently in the literature

Die Geburt einer Tochter lässt Effi reifer und fraulicher werden;  
The birth of a daughter makes Effi more mature and womanly;



The diagram illustrates a relation between the words 'Tochter' and 'Effi' in the German sentence. A blue arc labeled 'hatTochter' connects the word 'Tochter' (highlighted in a yellow box) to the word 'Effi' (also highlighted in a yellow box). Above the arc, the number '26' is written. To the right of 'Effi', there is a pink female symbol and the number '3'.

- Multi-class classification

# Some clarification

- In the literature you might find:

- Relation classification

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- Relation detection

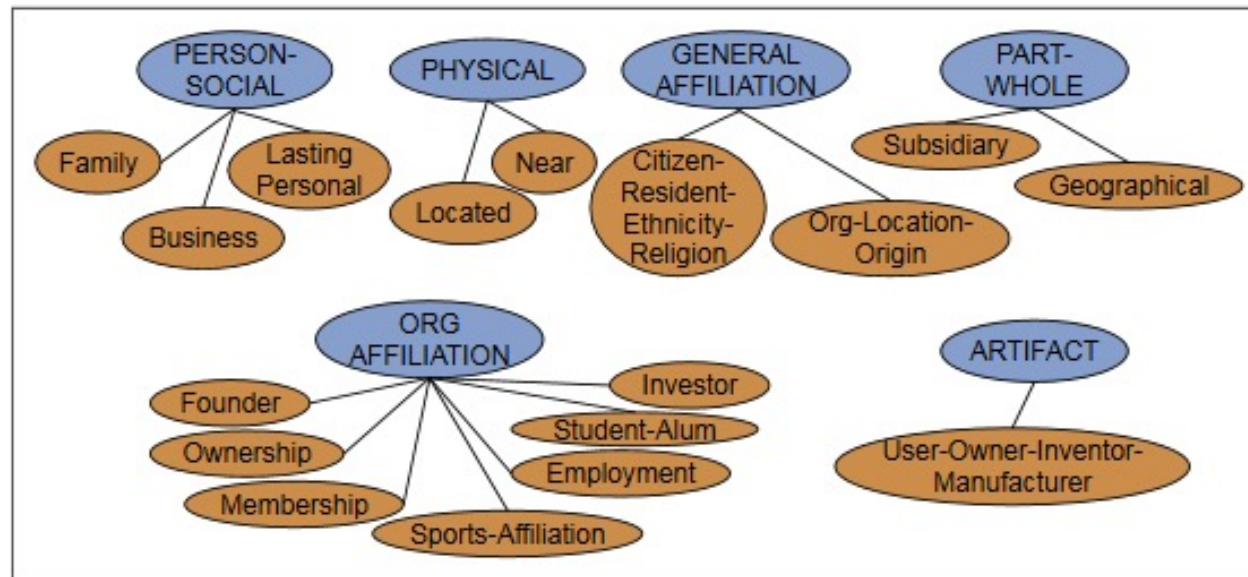
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- Relation extraction

- In this lecture, the term „extraction“ refers to the sum of the other two, that is to detect, whether entities are in a relation and if so also the type of relation!

# Relation Classification –Label sets

- The most well known label set originate the ACE conferences and comprises 17 relations:



- Annotated on an English data set with about 9600 annotated relations

# Relation Classification –Label sets

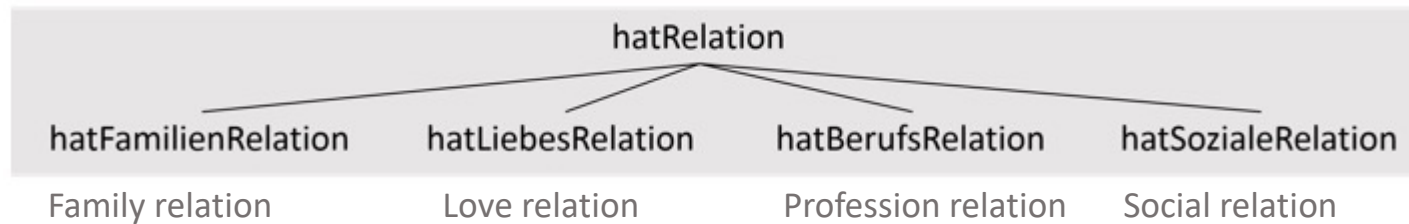
- Medical Relations, as defined by the UMLS

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tributary\_of  
ingredient\_of  
spatially\_related\_to  
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adjacent\_to  
surrounds  
traverses  
functionally\_related\_to  
affects  
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# Relation Classification –Label sets

- Relations for characters of the “Kallimachos” project



- 4 main categories, with in total 57 sub categories
- Annotated on 213 summaries of novels
- And about 2500 sentences from novels

# Relation Classification -Techniques

- The techniques for relation extraction can be grouped into four categories:
    1. Hand-written Patterns (rule-based approach)
    2. Supervised Learning (classical Machine Learning)
      - also Kernel-Based Learning
    3. Semi-Supervised Learning
    4. Unsupervised Learning
- ➔ This lecture will mainly deal with the classical supervised setting



# Relation Classification – Rule-Based

- Makes use of. “Lexico-Syntactic Expressions”
- Idea of Hearst in 1992, also called “Hearst Patterns”
- Example:

Agar is a substance prepared from a mixture of red algae, such as Gelidium, for laboratory or industrial use.

$NP_0$  such as  $NP_1\{,NP_2\dots,(and|or)NP_i\}, i \geq 1$

implies the following semantics

$\forall NP_i, i \geq 1, \text{hyponym}(NP_i, NP_0)$

allowing us to infer

$\text{hyponym}(\text{Gelidium}, \text{red algae})$

# Relation Classification – Rule-Based

- If NER labels are available, rules can be formulated more precisely:

PER (named|appointed|chose|etc.) PER Prep? POSITION  
Truman appointed Marshall Secretary of State

- This approach is a lot of work and usually results in:
  - Many rules with high Precision, but
  - Low overall Recall

# Relation Classification –Supervised Learning

- If a data set with annotated relations is available, we can learn a classifier as follows:

1. Mark all relevant entities in the text fragment (usually a sentence)

Im Hause des **[Ritterschaftsrats von Briest]** auf Hohen-Cremmen hält ein **[Jugendfreund]** **[Frau von Briests]**, **[Baron von Innstetten]**, um die Hand der **[Tochter des Hauses]** an.

In the house of the [Ritterschaftsrats von Briest] at Hohen-Cremmen, a [childhood friend] of [Mrs. von Briest], [baron von Innstetten], asks for the hand of the [daughter of the house].

# Relation Classification –Supervised Learning

## 2. Extract all pair of entities:

Ritterschaftsrat von Briest → Jugendfreund

Label: O

Jugendfreund → Frau von Briest

Label: hasFriend

- When we create the instances, we can either:
  - Ignore the order of the entities (would result in 10 instances)
  - Create pairs with entities in both positions (would result in 20 entities)
    - This could capture inverse relations (“hasDaughter” vs “hasMother”)
- The label is just the label of the relation

# Relation Classification – Supervised Learning

## 3. Extract appropriate features for each pairing

- The **head** of an entity
- All words of the instance
- Words prior and after the instance
- Words in between „heads“
- N-Grams in between „heads“
- Lemmas, POS-Tags
- Entity-types
- Amount entities in between
- Phrases in between
- Path in the constituency tree
- Path in the dependency tree

**Tochter** des Hauses

# Relation Classification –Supervised Learning

4. Application is no different than training

# Relation Classification - Extensions

- Calculate more distinctive features using „Kernel machines“:
  - Easy to integrate in the Perceptron or the Support Vector Machine
- Enhance your train data using „unlabelled“ or „weakly-labelled“ data
  - This leads to „Distant Supervision“ or „Data Programming“
- Make use of the hierarchical structure of the label set!
  - We have more data to detect a general family relation, that just the relation „hasDaughter“
    - ➔ This leads us into Non-structural hierarchical classification