# Can Syntactic Indicators Help Relation Extraction?

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#### Introduction



#### Background:

关系抽取是对句子中实体对之间的语义关系进行分类,是自然语言处理中的一项重要任务,被广泛应用于知识图谱构建、问答系统和网络搜索等。

#### • Relation Extraction:

给定一个句子和已经标注的两个entity,判断在这个句子中两个entity的关系。

#### • Example:

- "The magician shows a <e1>bottle</e1> full of <e2>soda</e2>."
  - $\rightarrow$  Content-Container(e2,e1)
- "The ice <e1>chunks</e1> fell from an <e2>airplane</e2>."
  - $\rightarrow$  Entity-Origin(e1,e2)

### **Related Work**



	Model	Contributions	
	CNN(+WordNet) (Zeng et al., 2014)	Sentence Level Feature+Lexical Level Feature(5个词汇特征) "a [psittacosis] of green [parrots] doing a couple of loops." WordNet:parrot-bird	
CNN based	CR-CNN (dos Santos et al., 2015)	1.Ranking Loss: $L = \log(1 + \exp(\gamma(m^+ - s_{\theta}(x)_{y^+}))) + \log(1 + \exp(\gamma(m^- + s_{\theta}(x)_{c^-})))$ 2.Only use the text between entities(使用两个实体间的文本能达到相近结果)	
	Attention CNN (+POS) (Huang and Shen, 2016)	"[Outbreaks] caused by the oral vaccine's live [virus] have happened before."	
	Multi-Attention CNN (Wang et al. 2016)	Word Attention+Attention-Based Pooling. (在Max Pooling层使用Attention,不同窗口的重要性不同)	
RNN based	Bi-LSTM (Zhang et al., 2015)	Bi-LSTM+WordNet,+Dependency Parser,+Entity Recognizers (NER)	
	Attention Bi-LSTM (Zhou et al., 2016)	Bi-LSTM+Attention	
	Hierarchical Attention Bi-LSTM (Xiao and Liu, 2016)	$[x_1,,x_{i-1}]$ $[x_i]$ $[x_{i+1},,x_{j-1}]$ $[x_j]$ $[x_{j+1},,x_n]$	
	Entity Attention Bi-LSTM (Lee et al., 2019)	利用两个entity和 <b>entities潜在类型(LET)</b> 作为特征	





目前从论文结果看,在不使用High-Level Lexical Features的情况下,SemEval 2010 Task 8 数据集上最高的F1-Score为: 88%,但目前没人复现,其次是2019年的论文: 85.2%。

#### • 已有的模型:

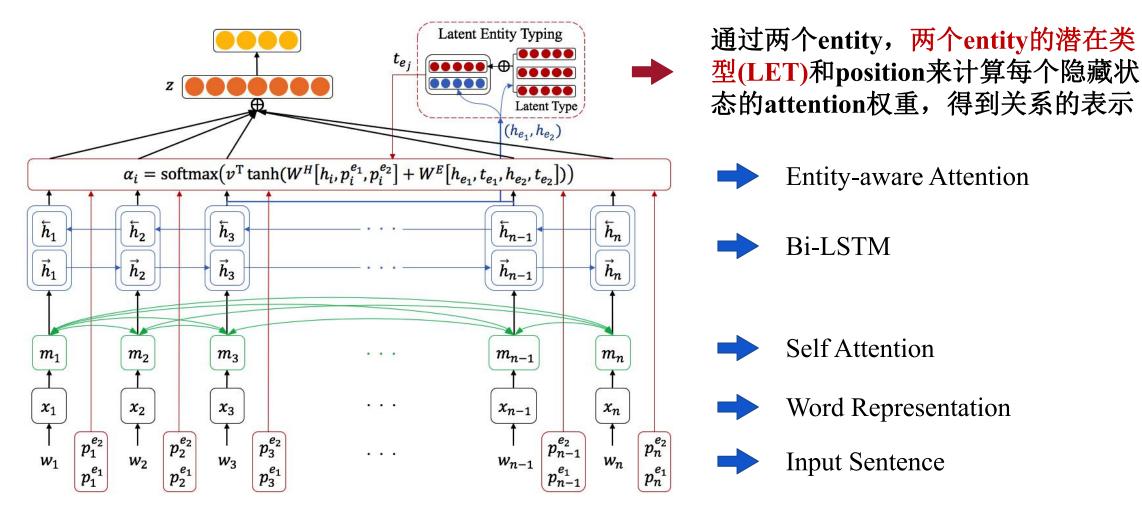
- 。 输入层的标配: word embedding + position embedding
- 。 损失函数Ranking Loss 比 softmax 效果好
- 。 Attention效果好(主要为: word与 relation, word与 entity)

#### • Our Model:

- Give more attention to Syntactic Indicators(caused by,inside,of,focus on,filled with...)
- 。 New Loss Function(整个句子序列中有较多噪音, Syntactic Indicators序列中内容缺失)

#### **Baseline Model**





Semantic Relation Classification via Bidirectional LSTM Networks with Entity-aware Attention using Latent Entity Typing(Lee et al., 2019)



### Syntactic Indicators Selection



#### 两个假设:

- 两个实体之间的词,涵盖了足够的信息用于实体关系分类
  - The most common <e1>audits</e1> were about <e2>waste</e2> and recycling.
  - The <e1>room</e1> was filled with huge Jack-the-Dripper <e2>canvases</e2>.
  - When I'm walking alone, I count the <e1>steps</e1> of the <e2>stairs</e2>, and I also guess approximately how many steps are left till I reach the next street.
- 两实体间的动词、介词或短语等这些关系的触发词对关系分类起决定性作用
  - audits were about waste  $\rightarrow$  Message-Topic(e1,e2)
  - room was filled with huge Jack-the-Dripper canvases  $\rightarrow$  Content-Container(e2,e1)
  - steps of the stairs  $\rightarrow$  Component-Whole(e2,e1)



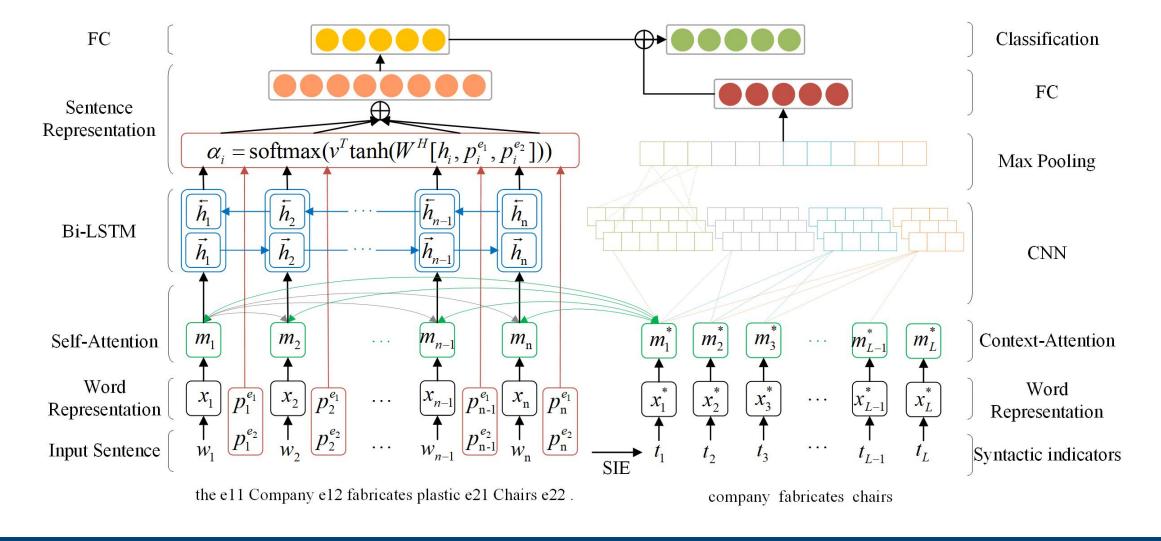
### Syntactic Indicators Selection



- 用nltk对句子进行词性标注,根据两个实体中间词的POS,设计5个规则提取关系触发词:
  - 消除并列词 drawings and videos that have been shown in museums
  - 。 只留VB,NN,IN,TO,PRP词性的词 coins are enclosed in a clear hard plastic case
  - 。 简化多个名词组合词 treaty establishes majority rule
  - 简化两个实体的描述 colors of rainbow are caused by dispersion
  - 保留靠近第二个entity的动作 analyzer identifies paths using method

### Our Model







### **Experiments and Results**



DataSet: Semeval-2010 task 8, 定义了9种有方向的关系和other 类(不属于9种类别), 是评测有监督方法的数据集。

Relation	Freq	Pos	IAA
Cause-Effect	1331 (12.4%)	91.2%	79.0%
Component-Whole	1253 (11.7%)	84.3%	70.0%
<b>Entity-Destination</b>	1137 (10.6%)	80.1%	75.2%
<b>Entity-Origin</b>	974 (9.1%)	69.2%	58.2%
Product-Producer	948 (8.8%)	66.3%	84.8%
Member-Collection	923 (8.6%)	74.7%	68.2%
Message-Topic	895 (8.4%)	74.4%	72.4%
Content-Container	732 (6.8%)	59.3%	95.8%
Instrument-Agency	660 (6.2%)	60.8%	65.0%
Other	1864 (17.4%)	N/A <sup>4</sup>	N/A <sup>4</sup>
Total	10717 (100%)		

《Semeval-2010 task 8: Multi-way classification of semantic relations between pairs of nominals》



### **Experiments and Results**



我们的模型获得了**85.9的F1-score**,在不使用High-Level Lexical Features的方法中,超过了目前最好结果(除Multi-Attention CNN)。

与Entity Attention Bi-LSTM(Lee et al., 2019)相比,**我们的结果高出了1.2**,而且比它加入了LET特征后的结果还**高出了0.7**。

与其他加入WordNet、DPT、DEP、NLP tags、NER tags等High-Level Lexical Features的方法相比,我们的模型也取得了最好结果。

F1
78.9
82.7
84.1
84.3
85.9
82.7
84.3
84.0
84.3
84.7
85.2
85.9



### **Analysis and Discussions**



#### **Syntactic Indicators Sequence**

- ① 整个句子, Self Attention+Bi-LSTM+Attention
- ② Syntactic Indicators Sequence, Context Attention+CNN(size=1,2,3,4)+Max Pooling
- ③ 整个句子,分别进行①②操作
- ④ Our model (将①②的输出相加后用于关系分类)

Method	
Whole Sentence	
Indicators Sequence	82.5
Whole Sentence + Whole Sentence	84.0
Whole Sentence + Indicators Sequence	85.9



### **Analysis and Discussions**



#### Parallel Loss Function

$$L = -\sum_{i=1}^{|D|} \log p(y^{(i)} | S^{(i)}, \theta) - \lambda \|\theta\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$L' = -\sum_{i=1}^{|D|} \log p_1(y_1^{(i)} | S^{(i)}, \theta) - \lambda' \sum_{i=1}^{|D|} \log p_2(y_2^{(i)} | S^{(i)}, \theta) + \lambda \|\theta\|_2^2$$

Loss	F1	
$\overline{}$	84.5	
l'	85.9	

### Conclusion



- Additional Syntactic Indicators improves Relation Extraction.
- Give more attention to Syntactic Indicators can make full use of imformative words and reduce noise.
- Parallel Loss Function outperforms single loss function.
- Future Work

Solve the problem of rare Syntactic Indicators by Synonymy phrase using WordNet.

Example :A [film]e1 <u>revolves around</u> a [cadaver]e2 who seems to bring misfortune on those who come in contact with it.  $\rightarrow$  *Message-Topic(e1,e2)* 

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