AI Debate Systems: Enhancing Structured Argumentation and Interactivity

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Abstract

A debate is a formal discussion where the participants form and support arguments, a good debate must include logical structure, reason from fact, counterarguments, persuasion, and interactivity so AI debate systems must follow structured argumentation models to present clear and logical discussions. Falsified reasoning is also used to reinforce arguments based on more recent evidence, and rebuttal games are interactive. Nature Language Processing based reasoning also enhances the understanding and flexibility of AI arguments. Such approaches enhance the ability of AI systems to engage in relevant and interpretable dialogue.

Different types of conversational agents that are capable of debating include rule-based agents using pre-defined templates, retrieval-based agents that look up arguments from a database, and hybrid agents that combine structured reasoning with retrieval-based methods. Advanced systems, such as hierarchical persuasion agents, learn how to tailor arguments based on feedback from users, while explainable debate agents construct their reasoning via formal argumentation structures. AI-based debate systems are particularly precious in domains such as healthcare, law, and business, where transparency of reasons is of significant importance. Advanced work must merge hierarchical argumentation, retrieval-based learning, and interactive user engagement to create more persuasive and transparent AI debaters.

Resources for Information

The following resources were used for gathering information: Google Scholar, Research-Gate, IEEE Xplore, and IMT Library.

1 Understanding Debate and What Makes a Good Debate

Exploration of what a debate is and the qualities that make a debate effective or well-executed. It is an inquiry into both the nature of debates and the criteria for judging them as good debates.

2 Conversational Agent Debating Techniques and Applications

Conversational Agent Debate Debate or argumentation systems utilize a variety of approaches to structure, analyze, and reason arguments. Such approaches allow AI to handle complex reasoning, ambiguity, and interactive dialogue. Argumentation schemes and graphs help monitor and structure arguments and counterarguments. There are some techniques like fuzzy cognitive maps and falsifiable reasoning by which AI can be made decision-capable even in incompleteness or ambiguities. The most critical point of an effective AI argumentation system is that it must be capable of convincing and explaining, so its output will be believable and understandable, thus creating more trust and interaction from the users.

3 Existing Types of Conversational Agents Capable of Debating a Subject

- Rule-Based Agents \rightarrow Use predefined argument templates.
- Retrieval-Based Agents \rightarrow Fetch arguments from a database.
- Hybrid Argumentation Agents → Combine retrieval with reasoning.
- Hierarchical Persuasion Agents \rightarrow Adapt arguments based on user feedback.
- Explainable Debate Agents \rightarrow Justify their reasoning using argumentation.

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