DialSQL: Dialogue Based Structured Query Generation

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Natural language interfaces to databases

What are the countries that joined the NATO before 2004?



SELECT country WHERE date of join < 2004

WikiSQL

Question: How many CFL teams are from York College?

SQL query: SELECT COUNT "CFL Team"

FROM "CFLDraft"

WHERE "College = YORK"

Table:

Pick#	CFL Team	Player	Position	College
27	Hamilton Tiger-Cats	Connor Healy	DB	Wilfrid Laurier
28	Calgary Stampeders	Anthony Forgone	OL	York

Dialogue Simulation

What are the countries that joined the NATO before 2004?

Step 1: Initial Query Generation

Step 2: Dialogue Generation

SELECT COUNT country WHERE date of join = 2004



System: validate_agg (1, 2) – offer (no_agg)

User: negate() – select()



AGG (1, 2, COUNT)



SELECT country WHERE date of join = 2004



WHERE CHANGE (6, 7, =)

SELECT country WHERE date of join < 2004

System: validate_where_change (6, 7) – offer (<)

User: negate() – select()



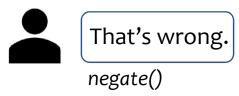
System: confirm()

User: confirm()

User Question	What are the countries that joined the NATO before 2004?	
True SQL Query	SELECT country WHERE date of join < 2004	
Candidate SQL Query	SELECT COUNT country WHERE date of join = 2004	









Are you asking about **total number of results**?



validate_agg(1, 2)

Select one option:

- a) Average number of results.
- b) All the results.



offer_agg(average, no_agg)

Confirm if date of join is 2004?



validate_where_change(6, 11)

Select one option:

- a) Date of join is before 2004.
- b) Date of invitation is before 2004.



offer_where(date of j. < 2004, date of inv. < 2004)

Interactive Query Generation

Question $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_N\}$

Table column names $T = \{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k\}$

Initial SQL query $\,U\,$ generated by black box

Turn $t: (S_t, R_t)$ with H_t

 S_t - system response

 R_t - user response

 H_t - dialogue history (list of previous turns)

Interactive Query Generation

System response

$$S_t = (c, s, C)$$

 ${\it C}$ - error category

 $oldsymbol{S}$ - error span

 ${\it C}$ - set of candidate choices

User response

Is represented by:

affirmation or negation

index $\,c'\,$ to identify choice

Error categories

Error Category	Meaning in the dialogue	
validate_sel	Validate the select clause	
validate_agg	Validate the aggregation operator	
validate_where_changed	Validate if a segment of a where clause is incorrect	
validate_where_removed	Validate if a new where clause is needed	
validate_where_added	Validate if an incorrect where clause exists	

Interactive Query Generation Task

At each turn t:

- predict error category c
- ullet extract error span $oldsymbol{S}$ from query U
- ullet decode set of candidate choices C

Synthetic Query

Given a ground truth query:

- Randomly select an error category
- Extract a related span from the current query
- Randomly generate a valid choice for chosen span
- Update the query by replacing span with choice

DialSQL

Given a (Q, T, U) triplet:

Encode Q , each column name $\,T_i \in T$, and query $\,U$ with GloVe and RNN

At each turn t:

- 1) Encode dialogue history and predict error category
- 2) Decode position of error span based on encoded query and error category
- 3) Decode a list of choices to offer the user based on error category and error span

Encoding

Question, Column names and Query

- Encode (Q,T,U) with RNN (Enc)
- Produce hidden states o and last hidden state h for each object

System and User turns

• Encode (S_t, R_t) using embedding lookup through GloVe

Encoding Dialogue History

$$h_0^{D_1} = h^Q$$

$$o_t^{D_1}, g_t^{D_1} = Enc([E_c, E_a])$$

$$h_t^{D_1} = \left[Attn(g_t^{D_1}, H^T), o_t^{D_1} \right]$$

$$Attn(h, O) = \sum softmax(tanh(hWO)) * O$$

[.] - vector concatenation

 E_c - error category encoding

 E_a - user turn encoding

 $h_0^{D_1}$ - initial hidden state

 $h_t^{D_1}$ - current hidden state

Predicting Error Category

$$c_t = tanh\left(Lin\left(\left[Attn(h_t^{D_1}, O^U), h_t^D\right]\right)\right)$$

$$l_t = softmax(c_t \cdot E(C))$$

Lin - linear transformation

E(C) - matrix with error category embeddings

 $l_{\scriptscriptstyle t}$ - probability distribution over categories

Decoding Error Span

$$p_i = softmax \left(tanh(h_t^{D_2} L_1 H^U) \right)$$

$$c_i = \sum p_i * H^U$$

$$\hat{p_j} = softmax\left(tanh([h_t^{D_1}, c_i]L_2H^U)\right)$$

 p_i - probability of start position over the i-th query token

 $\hat{p_j}$ - probability of end position over the jth query token

Decoding Candidate Choices

Column choice

$$h = Attn(Lin(o_{i-1}^U, o_j^U, E_c]), H^T)$$

$$s_{col} = u^T * tanh(Lin([H^T, h]))$$

 $\boldsymbol{o}_{i-1}^{\boldsymbol{U}}$ - output vector of the query encoder preceding the start position

 $o_{j}^{U}\,\,$ - output of query encoder at the end position

Aggregation choice

$$s_{agg} = v^T * tanh(Lin(Attn(e, H^Q)))$$

 \boldsymbol{e} - encoding of aggregation function

Agg: (MIN, MAX, COUNT, NO AGGREGATION)

Decoding Candidate Choices

Where condition choice

$$s_{op} = w^{T} * tanh(Lin(Attn(e, H^{Q})))$$

$$s_{st} = Attn(e, H^{Q})$$

$$s_{end} = Attn([e, h_{st}, H^{Q}])$$

 $\it e\,$ - encoding of operator

 h_{st} - context vector generated from Attention

Conditions: (<, >, =)

Evaluation Setup and Metrics

Query-match accuracy

Dialogue length

Question complexity

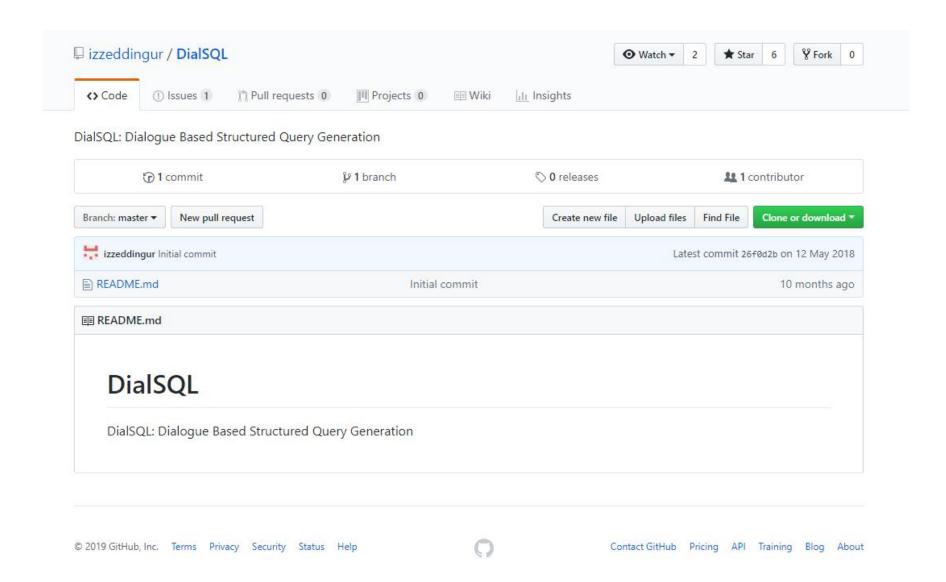
Evaluation

Model	QM-Dev	QM-Test
Seq2SQL	53.5	51.6
SQLNet	63.2	61.3
Seq2SQL + DialSQL	62.2 ↑	61.0 ↑
SQLNet + DialSQL	70.9↑	69.0 ↑

Query-match accuracy on WikiSQL dataset

Human evaluation

Model	Query-match Accuracy
SQLNet	58
SQLNet + DialSQL + User Simulation	75
SQLNet + DialSQL + Real Users	65



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