

M2 Software Project

Online App for Knowledge Substantiation

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The oak is a symbol of **strength**, **morale**, **resistance** and **knowledge**.

Our Objective

Creating a **reliable** app that double-checks the **veridicity** of claims proposed by news pieces.

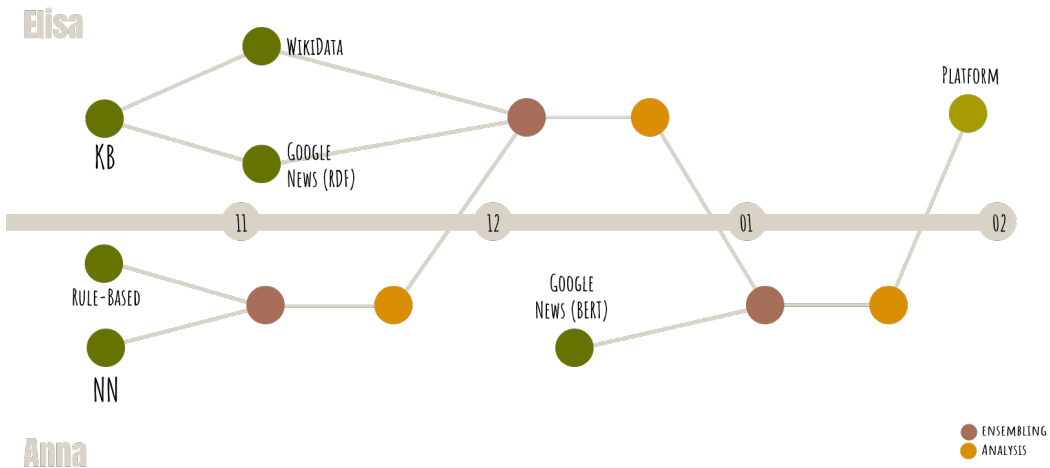


Figure: Timeline

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Module Structure

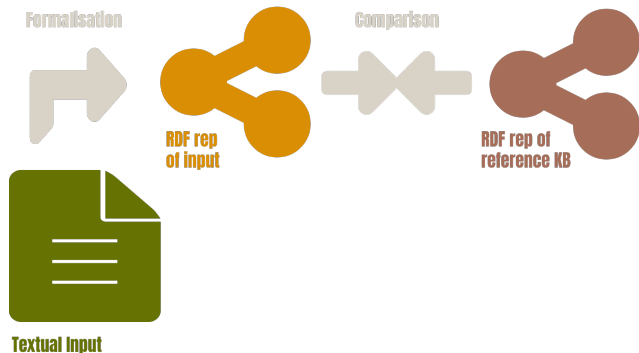


Figure: The module takes text as input, converts it to an RDF graph, and compares it to an RDF representation of a reference Knowledge Base.

Text to RDF

Input: *colourless ideas sleep furiously*

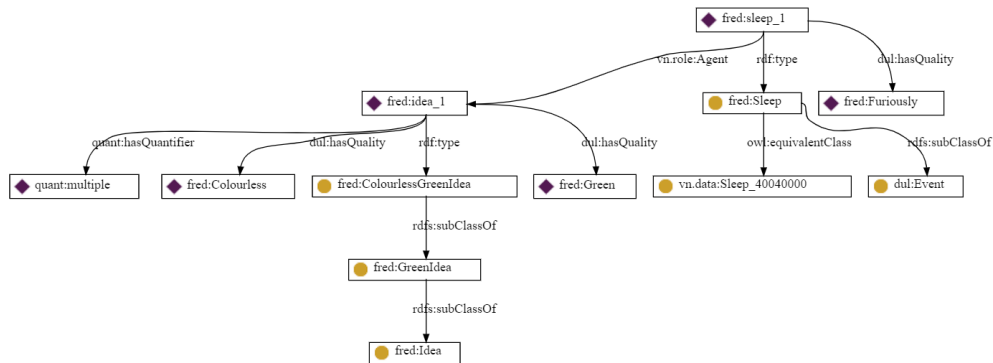


Figure: Example of text to RDF conversion using FRED.[3]

RDF Comparison ^[4]

- Performing **entity comparison**
- SPARQL **similarity** queries
 - Query Reverse Engineering [1]
 - Least Common Subsumers in Description Logic ontologies [2]
- SPARQL **difference** queries (coNP-complete)
- Reduce size of reference dataset using **named entity recognition**

Rule-based Approach

Fake News Features

- ✓ spelling mistakes
- ✓ lexical repetitions
- ✓ plural forms
- ✓ loaded language
- ✗ misrepresentation of facts
- ✗ links to an unreliable source
- ✗ rhetorical questions
- ✗ excessive usage of exclamation marks and imperative mood
- ✗ punctuation errors
- ✗ contrast of *we* VS *they* stances
- ✗ references to past events

Rule-based Approach

"They die very quickly, in a few days, right after the moment you realize that you have covid. And even strong men with strong immunity... And even children... Yes, there are fewer of them, but what do you care about the numbers if your child dies?"

loaded language	lexical repetitions	plural forms	spelling mistakes
0.238095	4	3	1
[very, quickly, few, right, strong, strong]	[even, die, child, strong]	[They, men, children]	[covid]

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LIAR-PLUS dataset

- **Training set** 10,269
- **Validation set** 1,284
- **Testing set** 1,283
- **Main topic** politics (economy, healthcare, taxes, federal budget, education, jobs, state budget, candidates biography, elections, and immigration)
- **Average sentence length** 20
- Similar vocabulary for all classes
- **Classes**
 - half-true: 2114
 - false: 1995
 - mostly-true: 1962
 - true: 1676
 - barely-true: 1654
 - pants-fire: 839

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Coming Up...

For next month...

- Implement **text-to-RDF** conversion
- Implement **NN module** method
- Research **RDF coparisons** algorithms
- Start **ensembling**

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