

Nested Named Entity Recognition Revisited

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INTRODUCTION

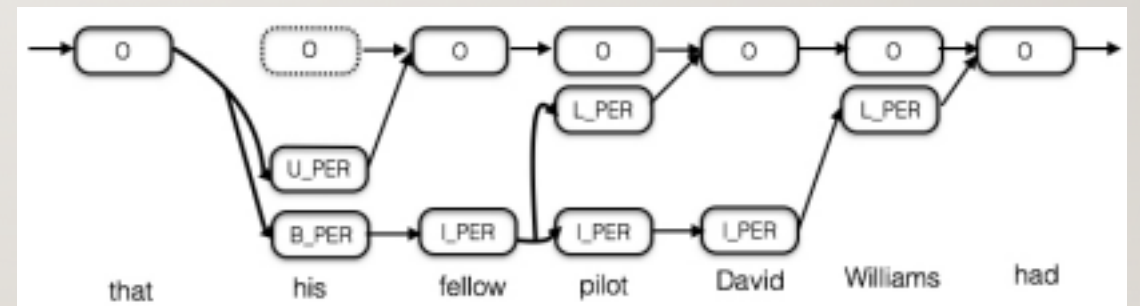
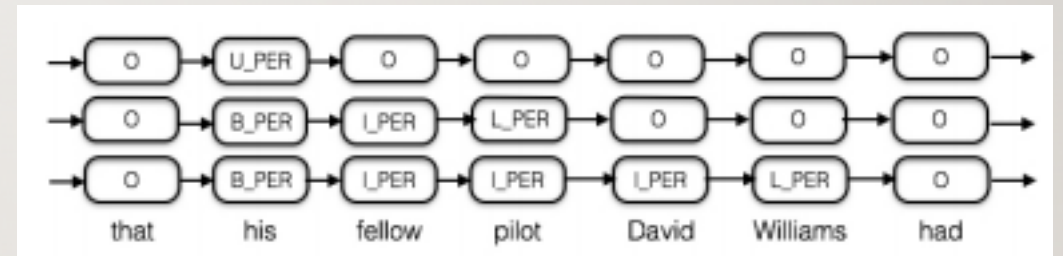
- RNN for nested NER and mention detection
- 17% and 30% in some corpora (GENIA, ACE)
- Previously, Conditional Random Fields
- BILOU encoding
- Hypergraph
 - Edges, arcs
 - Hyperarcs (connects sets of nodes)

(S1) Employing the [EBV - transformed [human
B cell line]CELL_LINE]CELL_LINE SKW6.4, we
demonstrate ...

(S2) ... [the burial site of [Sheikh Abbad]PERSON
]LOCATION is located ...

HYPERGRAPH

- 'O' at every time step; possible new entity
- Edges: Simple labeling task
- Hyperarcs: Multi-label learning problem
- Assign probabilities to edges
- Argmax for edges
- Hyperarcs above threshold
- Adj matrix using dfs



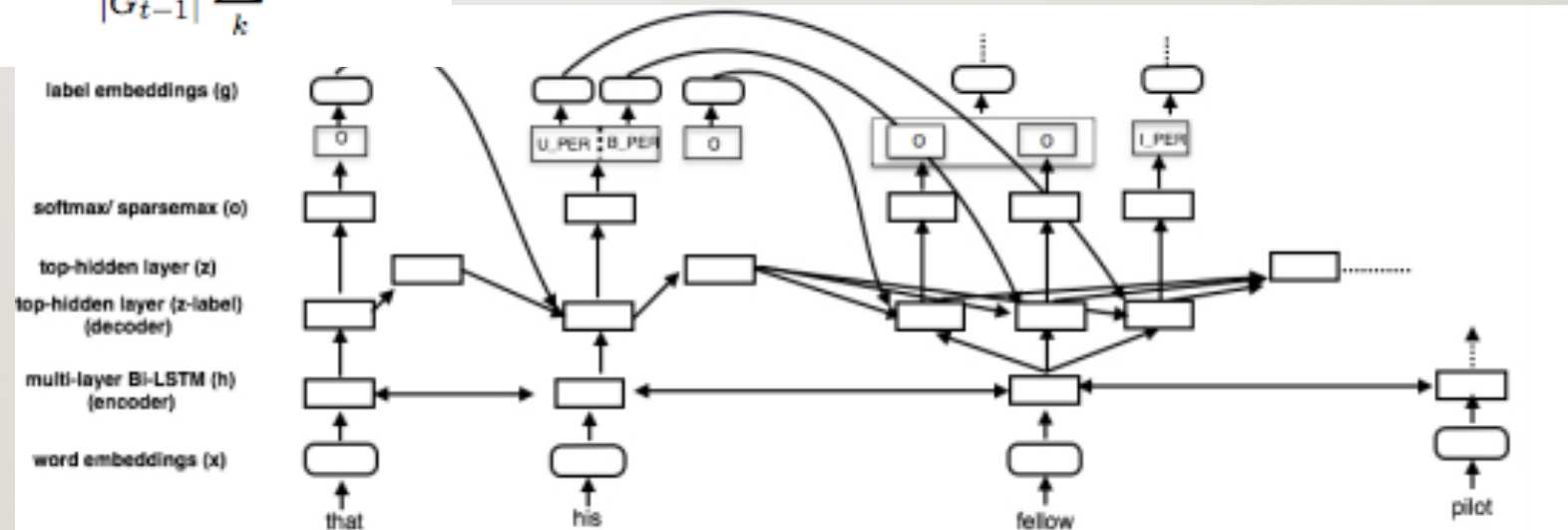
MODEL

- Multi-layer bi-LSTM (concat forward and backward output)
- Top hidden layer (pred)
- Next step

$$h_t^{(L),k} = \text{LSTM}(z_t^{(L-1)}, h_{t-1}^{(L)}, g_{t-1}^k)$$

$$h_t^{(L)} = \frac{1}{|G_{t-1}|} \sum_k h_t^{(L),k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{h}_t^{(l)} &= \text{LSTM}(x_t, \vec{h}_{t-1}) \\ \overleftarrow{h}_t^{(l)} &= \text{LSTM}(x_t, \overleftarrow{h}_{t+1}) \\ z_t^{(l)} &= \vec{V} \vec{h}_t^{(l)} + \overleftarrow{V} \overleftarrow{h}_t^{(l)} + b^l \end{aligned}$$



ENTITY EXTRACTION + TRAINING

- Probability distribution over candidate labels
- Softmax , Sparsemax (zeros)
- 3 hidden layers, unit dim = 100, $\tau = 0.3$

$$\ell_{t(\text{softmax})}^k = - \sum_c (e_t^k)_c \log (\hat{e}_t^k)_c$$

$$\ell_{t(\text{sparsemax})}^k = -2e_t^{k\top} o_t^k + \sum_{c: (\hat{e}_t^k)_c \neq 0} \left((o_t^k)_c^2 - \tau^2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} o_t^k &= U h_t^{(L),k} + b \\ \hat{e}_t^k &= \text{softmax}(o_t^k) \\ p(y_t = c | y_{t-1} = g_{t-1}^k) &= (e_t^k)_c \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_t \sum_{k \in G_{t-1}} \ell_t^k.$$

RESULTS

Method	ACE2004			ACE2005		
	P	R	F1	P	R	F1
MH-F (Lu and Roth, 2015)	74.4	50.0	59.8	63.4	53.8	58.3
Our model(softmax)	68.2	60.5	64.2	67.5	62.3	64.8
Our model(sparsemax)	72.3	66.8	69.7	70.6	69.8	70.2

Method	P	R	F1
Finkel and Manning (2009)	75.4	65.9	70.3
MH-F (Lu and Roth, 2015)	72.5	65.2	68.7
Muis and Lu (2017)	75.4	66.8	70.8
LSTM-flat	75.5	63.5	68.9
LSTM-output-layer	78.4	67.9	72.8
Our model (softmax)	76.7	71.1	73.8
Our model (sparsemax)	79.8	68.2	73.6