

IMPROVED SYSTEM WITH INFO ORDERING

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System architecture

Content Selection → Information Ordering → Content Realization



Approaches

**Content Selection Improvement
&
Information Ordering**

LLR (Content Selection Improvement)

```
def good_sentence(sentence_as_string):
    nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm") # Load the English language model
    doc = nlp(sentence_as_string)
    has_subject = any(token.dep_.endswith("subj") for token in doc)
    has_verb = any(token.pos_ == "VERB" for token in doc)
    contains_entity = len(doc.ents) > 0
    return has_subject and has_verb and contains_entity # A good sentence has to fulfill 3 conditions

def get_embedding(sentence): # get embedding of each sentence, sentence is a string
    #Mean Pooling - Take attention mask into account for correct averaging
    def mean_pooling(model_output, attention_mask):
        token_embeddings = model_output[0] #First element of model_output contains all token embeddings
        input_mask_expanded = attention_mask.unsqueeze(-1).expand(token_embeddings.size()).float()
        return torch.sum(token_embeddings * input_mask_expanded, 1) / torch.clamp(input_mask_expanded.sum(1), min=1e-9)

    # Sentences we want sentence embeddings for
    sentences = [sentence]
    # Load model
    tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained('../data/all-MiniLM-L6-v2')
    model = AutoModel.from_pretrained('../data/all-MiniLM-L6-v2')
    # Tokenize sentences
    encoded_input = tokenizer(sentences, padding=True, truncation=True, return_tensors='pt')
    # Compute token embeddings
    with torch.no_grad():
        model_output = model(**encoded_input)
    # Perform pooling. In this case, max pooling.
    sentence_embeddings = mean_pooling(model_output, encoded_input['attention_mask'])
    return sentence_embeddings[0]
```

LLR (Information Ordering - Jaccard similarity)

```
# for information ordering, let sentences with the most overlap of entities be together
def Jaccard(sentence1, sentence2): # as strings
    # Load the English language model
    nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
    # Process the sentences using spaCy
    doc1 = nlp(sentence1)
    doc2 = nlp(sentence2)
    # Extract entities from the processed sentences
    entities1 = set([entity.text for entity in doc1.ents])
    entities2 = set([entity.text for entity in doc2.ents])

    # Calculate the Jaccard similarity between the sets of entities
    return len(entities1.intersection(entities2)) / len(entities1.union(entities2))
```

Observations of LLR

When compared to model summaries typically comprising 5-7 sentences, the output summaries generated by LLR generally consist of 3-4 sentences, thereby reducing the significance of information ordering.

Interestingly, despite normalizing weights during the calculation of each sentence's weight, the algorithm demonstrates a preference for longer sentences over shorter ones.

An issue across all 3 methods

HONG KONG December 16 Xinhua -- The bird flu in Hong Kong which has killed two people has not become an epidemic a local senior health official said today The Department of Health prepared a fact sheet to explain to tourists the avian flu which is caused by a virus H5N1 that is only found in poultry

SHENZHEN December 26 Xinhua -- Hong Kong's neighbor city of Shenzhen has not discovered any case of H5N1 virus infection at its 200 poultry farms according to a local official in charge of animal epidemics

SumBasic+

The following conditions are applied for content selections, based on the result from probability weights:

- Complete sentences: has a subject, has a verb
- Contains a named entity
- enlarged the set of stopwords (such as, say/said/told)
- removed duplicates (identical sentences from multiple files)

Information Ordering 1 - Entity Grid

Part 1: Preprocessing

- Entity selections

- Build entity grid for each file for any docSetA
- Turn entity grid (of each file) into a feature vector

Our Features:

- ✓ used spacy to retrieve entities
- ✓ used tfidf to shrink the size of entities (otherwise the probability score for each bigram entity would be too low)
- ✗ have not managed to resolve coreference issues

Up to now, we have constructed our positive data.

Information Ordering 1 - Entity Grid

Part 2: Construct negative data

- reverse the order of the sentences of each file
- render the reordered file into an entity grid and build corresponding feature vector for this false rendering.

Our Features:


✓ We only constructed one negative instance for each file: by reversing the original order - `list_of_sentences[::-1]`

✓ To avoid analyzing all permutations of the file, we could, only reverse sentences which have high correlations.

Information Ordering 1 - Entity Grid

Part 3: Build feature vectors

Having constructed our positive data and negative data, we can build our training data matrix.

 Be aware of the issue of collinearity. The dimension for bigram-entity probability vector is 15.

If we distinguish between salience classes (k), the dimension would be $15 * k$

Information Ordering 1 - Entity Grid

Part 4: Run a default LinearSVC using scikit-learn to train the model.

Although the original paper only mentioned SVC, we have been thinking the possibility of testing that on an HMM

Information Ordering 1 - Entity Grid

Part 5: Build test data for prediction.

Step 1

- given the results from, e.g. sumbasic, we find all permutations of the sentences of each summary.

Step 2:

- render each reordered summary into a bigram-entity probability vector

Step 3:

- Predict using the trained model from the previous part, and use the result of `SVC.decision_function(test_x[docSetA])` to select the summary with the largest score.

LexRank Improvement

The D3 results shows a few areas for improvement.

- The selected sentences tend to be short sentences.
 - Increase similarity threshold so that it is not over-voted on short sentences.
 - Selecting only sentences that are longer than 10 words.
 - Check for complete sentences with a subject and a verb
- Similarity matrix doesn't account for synonym and paraphrasing.
 - Using pretrained transformer model to encode the sentence, so that the similarity score is a more accurate representation of semantic similarity between two sentences.

Information Ordering 2 - Chronological Ordering

Step 1

- Preprocessing the sentences, by attaching the extracted datetime and sentence sequence number to the sentence object.

Step 2:

- Render the set of unordered sentences using the greedy ordering algorithm, using the simple datetime + sequence number comparison as preference function.

Information Ordering 2 - Chronological Ordering

Algorithm 1 Sentence Ordering Algorithm.

Input: A set \mathcal{X} of the extracted (unordered) sentences and a total preference function $\text{PREF}_{total}(u, v, Q)$.

Output: Ranking score $\hat{\rho}(t)$ of each sentence $t \in \mathcal{X}$.

```
1:  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{X}$ 
2:  $Q = \emptyset$ 
3: for each  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  do
4:    $\pi(v) = \sum_{u \in \mathcal{V}} \text{PREF}_{total}(v, u, Q) - \sum_{u \in \mathcal{V}} \text{PREF}_{total}(u, v, Q)$ 
5: end for
6: while  $\mathcal{V} \neq \emptyset$  do
7:    $t = \arg \max_{u \in \mathcal{V}} \pi(u)$ 
8:    $\hat{\rho}(t) = |\mathcal{V}|$ 
9:    $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V} - \{t\}$ 
10:   $Q = Q + \{t\}$ 
11:  for each  $v \in \mathcal{V}$  do
12:     $\pi(v) = \pi(v) + \text{PREF}_{total}(t, v, Q) - \text{PREF}_{total}(v, t, Q)$ 
13:  end for
14: end while
15: return  $\hat{\rho}$ 
```

Evaluation

- ROUGE score
- InfoLM
- Automated pyramid evaluation
- Human evaluation

Results

Improved system	ROUGE-1 R	% Change	ROUGE-2 R	% Change
SumBasic	.26561	-23.8	.03623	-16.6
LLR	.24779	28.2	.03813	37.0
LexRank	.39722	26.7	.07308	22.4

Results

Improved system	ROUGE-1 Precision	% Change	ROUGE-2 Precision	% Change
SumBasic	.25970	45.8	.03552	60.2
LLR	.29220	19.2	.04460	27.7
LexRank	.24350	-12.4	.04414	-11.8