Project Report

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CS 6320.001

1. URLs:

Main demo:

https://youtu.be/JfUjllrOqXI

Extended contents:

https://youtu.be/PI0NBitx5jU

Github Repo:

https://github.com/cpshawn/CS6320 project

2. Summary

In this project, I created an Al-assisted tool to detect and fix typos and grammar issues in user-input sentences. The tool is based on fine-tuned OpenAl model 'gpt-4o-2024-08-06', and the training dataset comes from C4_200M Synthetic Dataset for Grammatical Error Correction [1].

3. Design

Environment: Python 3.11

Although the original OpenAI models already can do a good job fixing grammar and typo issues. To improve its accuracy, I applied C4_200M dataset to fine-tune the model. C4_200M dataset consists of a series of examples, each containing an input (original sentence, with grammar issues or typos), and a corresponding output (corrected sentence).

I took a total of 500 examples and split them into 80% of training data (400) and 20% of testing data (200), based on the suggestion of multiple resources [2][3][4]. The training dataset will be applied for fine-tuning, and we can either test it on testing dataset, or user-input sentences.

To evaluate the model performance, I compare the output result with both the original sentence and target sentence (if testing on dataset, the target sentences are

provided). I will evaluate four aspects: grammar similarity, semantic similarity, sentence contradiction and Keyword Overlap.

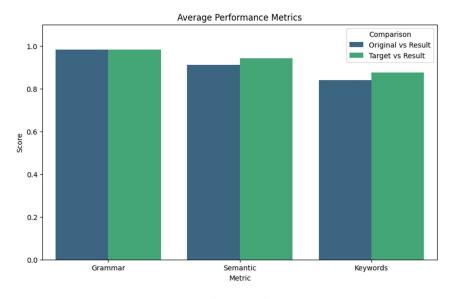
- (1) **Grammar similarity:** The first and foremost is grammar similarity. We want to know how close the two sentences are, in sentence structure and grammar.
- (2) **Semantic similarity:** To know if the two sentences show the same meaning, I use SentenceTransformer's all-MiniLM-L6-v2 model to measure their cosine similarity.
- (3) Sentence contradiction: It is not enough to know two sentences have close words and structures. For example: 'Cat eats mouse' and 'Mouse eats cat' are grammatically and semantically correct, but their meanings are in contradiction, which can be detected by this step with roberta-large-mnli model for contradiction likelihood score.
- (4) **Keyword Overlap**: In case the model changes the original sentences too much, I calculate keyword overlap between the two sentences. It can guarantee that corrections don't drop or replace critical words.

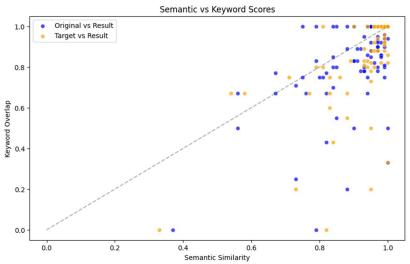
All four scores range from 0 to 1. Grammar, Semantic and keyword Overlap are better with higher scores, while Contradiction Risk is lower with a lower score. The results will be saved into a csv table and can be plotted by `plot_performance.py` for a better view.

4. Result

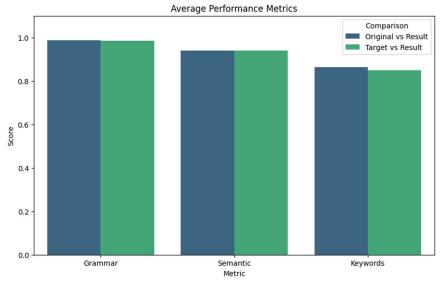
For testing datasets from C4_300M, I did a total of 5 tests. The model is only trained once with the first training dataset. But each time of the test, I randomly generated 100 testcases, and the outputs are attached with this report. Below are some graphs from the testcases:

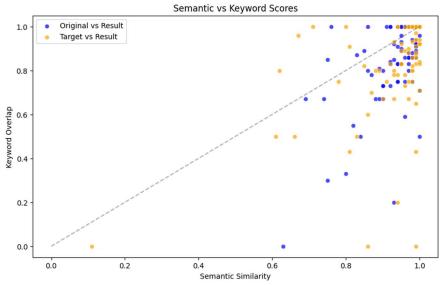
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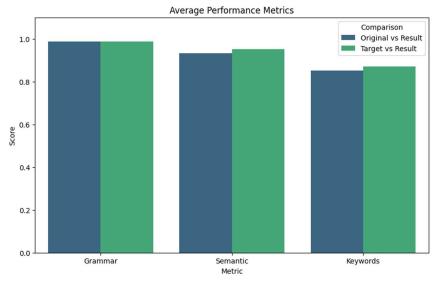


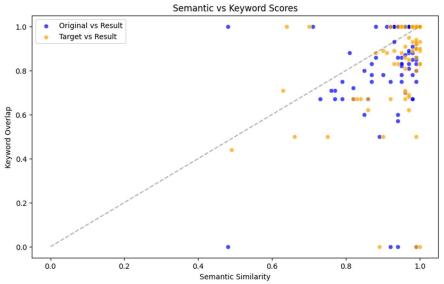
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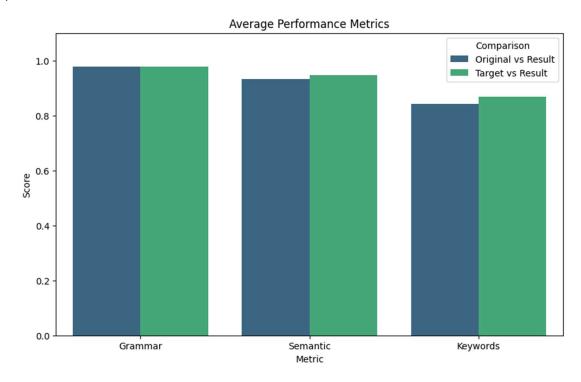


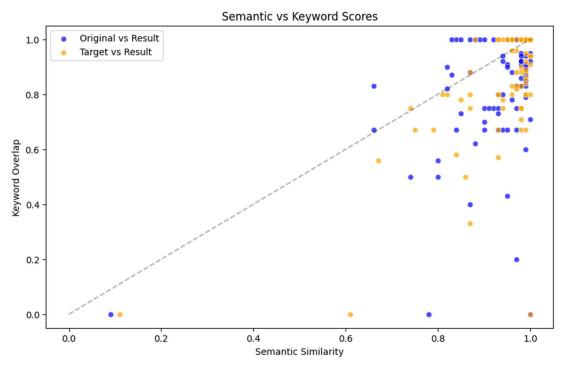
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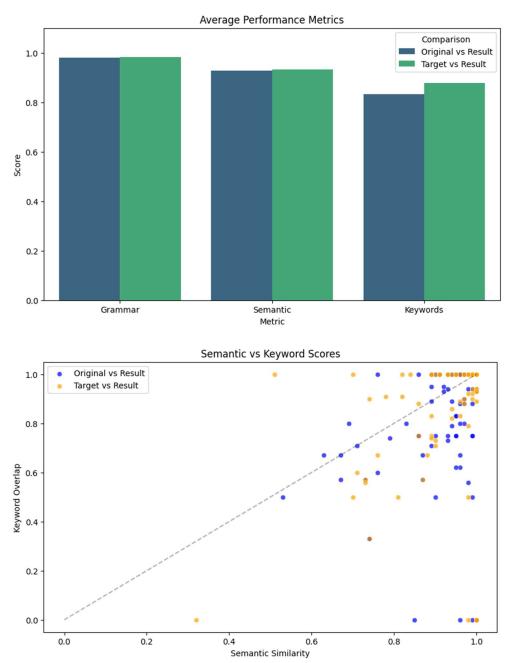


(4) Test 4:





(5) Test 5:



From the graphs, we can observe:

Despite the examples selected, the model has an overall good performance on grammar and semantics. It improves semantic similarity while keeping a high keyword overlap, which means that the model does not change original sentence meanings. The model also has no contradiction risk, making the grammar correction process completely reliable.

Resource

- [1] C4_200M Synthetic Dataset for Grammatical Error Correction: https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/felixstahlberg/the-c4-200m-dataset-for-gec
- [2] https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC11419616/
- [3] https://developers.google.com/machine-learning/crash-course/overfitting/dividing-datasets
- [4] https://docs.aws.amazon.com/machine-learning/latest/dg/splitting-the-data-into-training-and-evaluation-data.html