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Abbreviations

CQA Community Question Answering

QL Qatar Living

SGD Stochastic Gradient Descent

 ${f PV}$ Paragraph Vector

CBOW Continious Bag-Of-Words

DM Distributed Memory

DBOW Distributed Bag-Of-WordsMAP Mean Averaged PrecisionMRR Mean Reciprocal Rate

AvgRec Average Recall

P Precision
R Recall
Acc Accuraccy

Introduction

1.1 Introduction

CQA forums such as Stack Overflow¹ and Qatar Living², are gaining popularity online. These forums are seldom moderated, quite open, and thus they typically have little restrictions, if any, on who can post and who can answer a question. On the positive side, this means that one can freely ask any question and can then expect some good, honest comments. On the negative side, it takes effort to go through all possible comments and to make sense of them. For example, it is not unusual for a question to have hundreds of comments, which makes it very time-consuming for the user to inspect and to winnow through them all. The present work is intended to automate the process of finding good comments to questions in a community-created discussion forum, by automatically ranking the existing comments.

1.2 SemEval Task -3

SemEval Tasks³ (Semantic Evaluation) are an ongoing series of evaluations of computational semantic analysis systems. The **SemEval Task 3** in particular deals with semantic comparison for words and texts in the domain of Community Question

¹https://stackoverflow.com/

²http://www.qatarliving.com/

³http://alt.qcri.org/semeval2017/

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Answering (CQA). In essence, the main CQA task can be defined as follows: "given (i) a new question and (ii) a large collection of question-comment threads created by a user community, rank the comments that are most useful for answering the new question".

1.2.1 Subtask A – Question-Comment Similarity

In this project we address the CQA task by exploiting the semantic similarity in Q&A using Deep learning techniques. In particular we focus on a single subtask under SemEval - Task 3, namely the Subtask A.

Subtask A Given a question from a question-comment thread, rank the comments as per their relevance (similarity) with respect to the question.

1.3 Thesis Organization

Literature Survey

The tasks falling under the Community Question & Answering section of SemEval goes in the direction of passage reranking, where automatic classifiers are normally applied to pairs of questions and comment passages to derive a relative order between passages. This is in other words the task of Answer re-ranking. For example we have works by Radlinski and Joachims (2005); Jeon et al. (2005); Shen and Lapata (2007); Moschitti et al. (2007); Moschitti (2008); Severyn and Moschitti (2015); Tymoshenko and Moschitti (2015); Tymoshenko et al. (2016); Surdeanu et al. (2008).

In recent years, many advanced models have been developed for automating answer selection, producing a large body of work. For instance, Wang et al. (2007) proposed a probabilistic quasi synchronous grammar to learn syntactic transformations from the question to the candidate answers; Heilman and Smith (2010) used an algorithm based on Tree Edit Distance (TED) to learn tree transformations in pairs; Wang and Manning (2010) developed a probabilistic model to learn tree-edit operations on dependency parse trees; and Yao et al. (2013) applied linear chain CRFs with features derived from TED to automatically learn associations between questions and candidate answers. One interesting aspect of the above research is the need for syntactic structures; this is also corroborated in [Severyn and Moschitti (2012); Severyn and Moschitti (2013)]. Note that answer selection can use models for textual entailment, semantic similarity, and for natural language inference in general.

Although recently quite a few work in this domain have started to adopt Deep Learning Techniques to solve the problem of answer re-ranking. For eg. Lin and Literature Survey 4

Wang (2015) treated the answer selection task as a sequence labeling problem and proposed recurrent convolutional neural networks to recognize good comments. In a follow-up work, Zhou et al. (2015) included long-short term memory (LSTM) units in their convolutional neural network to learn the classification sequence for the thread. In parallel, Barrón-Cedeno et al. (2015) exploited the dependencies between the thread comments to tackle the same task. This was done by designing features that look globally at the thread and by applying structured prediction models, such as Conditional Random Fields Lafferty et al. (2001).

This research direction was further extended by Joty et al. (2015), who used the output structure at the thread level in order to make more consistent global decisions. For this purpose, they modeled the relations between pairs of comments at any distance in the thread, and they combined the predictions of local classifiers in a graph-cut and in an ILP frameworks.

Finally, Shafiq Joty and Nakov (2016) proposed two novel joint learning models that are on-line and integrate inference within the learning process. The first one jointly learns two node- and edge-level MaxEnt classifiers with stochastic gradient descent and integrates the inference step with loopy belief propagation. The second model is an instance of fully connected pairwise CRFs (FCCRF). The FCCRF model significantly outperformed all other approaches and yielded the best results on the task (SemEval-2015 Task 3). Crucial elements for its success were the global normalization and an Ising-like edge potential.

Thus influenced by the trend we shall tread in the direction of exploring Deep Learning Techniques to effectively solve the problem of finding Question - Comment similarity; building on the success of previous attempts. Note that we use the terms relevant-comment and answer interchangeably thoughout the document.

For this task, we adopt a neural approach to open-domain non-factoid QA developed by Bogdanova and Foster (2016), which focused on "answer re-ranking", i.e. given a list of candidate answers to a question, order the answers according to their relevance to the question. The approach is very simple and requires no feature engineering. Question-answer pairs are represented by concatenated distributed representation vectors and a multilayer perceptron is used to compute the score for an answer (the probability of an answer being the best answer to the question). Despite its simplicity, their work achieved state-of-the-art performance on the Yahoo! Answers dataset of manner or How questions introduced by Jansen et al. (2014). This improved performance was attributed to the use of paragraph vector representations instead of averaging over word vectors, and to the use of suitable data for training these representations. This project aims at improving the simplistic model proposed by Bogdanova and Foster (2016) with a few enhancements to achieve state-of-art performance at the SemEval Task 3 - Subtask A of finding Question – Comment similarity.

It is for this reason we use Paragraph Vectors (Le and Mikolov (2014)) for quantifying the question-comment text documents. Paragraph Vector is an unsupervised framework that learns continuous distributed vector representations for pieces of texts. The texts can be of variable-length, ranging from sentences to documents.

The name Paragraph Vector is to emphasize the fact that the method can be applied to variable-length pieces of texts, anything from a phrase or sentence to a large document.

3.1 Learning Algorithm

We used a simple feedforward neural network, i.e. a multilayered perceptron, to predict the best answer as performed by Bogdanova and Foster (2016). As shown in Figure 1 [TODO], the first layer of network takes the vector representation for a question-comment pair (q, c) as input, which is a concatenation of the distributed representations q and c for the question and the comment respectively. Each representation is a real-valued vector of a fixed dimensionality d, which is a parameter to be tuned. The input layer is concatenated with another d dimensional vector, namely the centroidal comment, which is centroid of the distributed representation of all comments to the question q (subsection 3.3.1). This is further concatenated with another set of features generated from the pair (q, c) as described in section 3.3. The latter two enhancements is the reason our approach shall improve upon the performance achieved by Bogdanova and Foster (2016).

This layer is then followed by one or more hidden layers, the number of layers and units in each of these layers are also parameters to be experimentally tuned. We consider the activation function as well to be a parameter to be tuned by exprimentation. Finally, a softmax layer is used to compute the output probability p, i.e. the probabilities p1 and p2 of the negative (i.e. not best answer) and positive (i.e. best answer) classes respectively. For each question, all its user-generated comments are ranked according to their probability of being the best answer, as predicted by the network.

Given a question-comment pair (q, c), the possible values for the ground-truth label are 1 (best answer) and 0 (not a best answer). The network is trained by minimizing

the L2-regularized cross-entropy loss function between the ground-truth labels and the network predictions on the training set. We use either stochastic gradient descent (SGD) or Adam solver and early stopping to minimize the loss over the training set.

3.2 Document Representations

This approach requires question-comment pairs to be represented as a fixed-size vector. We experimentally evaluate the Paragraph Vector model (PV) proposed by Le and Mikolov (2014). The PV is an extension of the widely used continuous bag-of-words (CBOW) and skip-gram word embedding models, known as word2vec. However, in contrast to CBOW and skip-gram models that only learn word embeddings, the PV is able to learn representations for pieces of text of arbitrary length, e.g. sentences, paragraphs or documents. The PV includes (1) the distributed memory (DM) model, that predicts the next word using the concatenation of the previous words and the paragraph vector, that is shared among all words in the same paragraph (or sentence); (2) the distributed bag-of-words (DBOW) model, that – similar to the skip-gram model – predicts words randomly sampled from the paragraph, given the paragraph vector. We experiment with both DM and DBOW models. Also, note that we shall use the terms paragraph vector (PV) and document vector/representation interchangeably.

3.3 Feature Set

Apart from paragraph vectors of the Question (q) and Comment (c) that the feedforward network takes as input, we describe below the surplus features incorporated in our model:

3.3.1 Centroidal Comment

Inorder to rank the comments, it is only intuition that we must use the information in other comment texts to accurately provide relative relevance scores, which in turn reflects the rank, for comment texts. It is for this reason we introduced the centroidal comment, denoted as avg_com_q , computed as:

$$avg_com_q = \frac{\sum_{c \in q} c}{||\sum_{c \in q} c||} \tag{1}$$

3.3.2 Syntactic and Metadata Features

We used several semantic vector similarity and metadata feature groups as mentioned in Mihaylov and Nakov (2016). For the ease of the reader, we shall describe the same feature groups below.

Note that for the similarity measures mentioned below, we used cosine similarity:

$$1 - \frac{u.v}{||u||.||v||} \tag{2}$$

Semantic Word Embeddings. We used semantic word embeddings obtained from Word2Vec models trained on the unannotated data set from QatarLiving. For each piece of text such as comment text, question body and question subject, we constructed the centroid vector from the vectors of all words in that text (excluding stopwords).

$$centroid(w_{1...n}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i}{n}$$
(3)

We construct centroid vectors (3) from the question text (subject + body) and the comment text to design various features as described below.

Semantic Vector Similarities. We used various similarity features calculated using the centroid word vectors on the question text (subject + body) and on the comment text, as well as on parts thereof:

Question to Answer similarity. We assume that a relevant answer should have a centroid vector that is close to that for the question. We used the question text to comment text vector similarities.

Maximized similarity. We ranked each word in the comment text to the question text centroid vector according to their similarity and we took the average similarity of the top N words. We took the top 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 words similarities as features. The assumption here is that if the average similarity for the top N most similar words is high, then the comment might be relevant.

Aligned similarity. For each word in the question text, we chose the most similar word from the comment text and we took the average of all best word pair similarities as suggested in Tran et al. (2015).

Part of speech (POS) based word vector similarities. We performed part of speech tagging using the Stanford tagger Toutanova et al. (2003), and we took similarities between centroid vectors of words with a specific tag from the comment text and the centroid vector of the words with a specific tag from the question text. The assumption is that some parts of speech between the question and the comment might be closer than other parts of speech.

Word clusters (WC) similarity. We clustered the word vectors from the Word2Vec vocabulary in 1,000 clusters using K-Means clustering. We then calculated the cluster similarity between the question body word clusters and the answer text word clusters. For all experiments, we used clusters obtained from the Word2Vec model trained on QatarLiving forums with vector size of 100, window size 10.

LDA topic similarity. We performed topic clustering using Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) as implemented in the gensim toolkit Rehurek and Sojka (2010)

on Train1 + Train2 + Dev questions and comments. We built topic models with 100 topics. For each word in the question text and for the comment text, we built a bag-of-topics with corresponding distribution, and calculated similarity. The assumption here is that if the question and the comment share similar topics, they are more likely to be relevant to each other

Metadata. In addition to the semantic features described above, we also used some common sense metadata features:

Answer contains a question mark. If the comment has an question mark, it may be another question, which might indicate a bad answer.

Answer length. The assumption here is that longer answers could bring more useful detail.

Question length. If the question is longer, it may be more clear, which may help users give a more relevant answer.

Question to comment length. If the question is long and the answer is short, it may be less relevant.

The answer's author is the same as the corresponding question's author. If the answer is posted by the same user who posted the question and it is relevant, why has he/she asked the question in the first place?

Answer rank in the thread. Earlier answers could be posted by users who visit the forum more often, and they may have read more similar questions and answers. Moreover, discussion in the forum tends to diverge from the question over time.

Question category. We took the category of the question as a sparse binary feature vector (a feature with a value of 1 appears if question is in the category). The assumption here is that the question-comment relevance might depend on the category of the question.

4.1 Data

Though Bogdanova and Foster (2016) experiments with the Yahoo! Answers dataset⁴, we have used the data provided as a part of the popular SemEval Task 3 for Subtask A (Nakov et al. (2016)). Table 1 contains the statistics about the forementioned dataset. This dataset contains about 42K (q, c) pairs to learn from; spreading over about 5.4K questions. We shall refer to this data as the CQA-QL corpus in future. Further we also use a large unannotated dataset, released by the same source, from Qatar Living with 189,941 questions and 1,894,456 comments, which is used for unsupervised learning/training domain-specific word/document embeddings.

Category	Train (Part-I)	Train (Part-II)	Train+Dev+Test (from SemEval 2015)	Dev	Test	Total
Questions	1,411	379	2,480+291+319	244	327	5,451
Comments -Good -Bad -Potentially	14,110 5,287 6,362 2,461	3,790 1,364 1,777 649	$14,893+1,529+1,876 \\7,418+813+946 \\5,971+544+774 \\1,504+172+156$	2,440 818 1,209 413	3,270 1,329 1,485 456	41,908 17,975 18,122 5,811

Table 1: Statistics on English CQA-QL corpus from SemEval-2017 Task 3 (Subtask A)

⁴http://webscope.sandbox.yahoo.com/

4.2 Experimental Setup

We use the gensim⁵ implementation of DM and DBOW paragraph vector models. The data for training the unsupervised doc2vec model (PV model) is the forementioned large unannotated dataset from Qatar Living forums. Each paragraph (q or c) was converted to lowercase, tokenized by space character and cleaned of stop words before training doc2vec models. The parameters of training these models being the window size (maximum distance between the predicted word and context words used for prediction within a document) and number of epochs of training, were cross-validated to give low errors on the training dataset. We further use normalized versions of the document vector representations thus generated, to be fed as inputs to the feedforward neural network described in section 3.1.

For the implementation of the feedforward neural network as described in section 3.1, we shall use the popular python library scikit-learn⁶'s $MLPClassifier^7$.

4.3 Results

4.3.1 Document Vector Representations

For training each question/comment text was treated as a document/paragraph and assigned a label, which can be used as a key to retrieve the document vector. Furthermore post training the doc2vec model is able to infer a document vector for any new question/comment text whose vocabulary is from the original corpus. The errors post training is computed as averaged squared error over all question/comment text, by computing squared error between the document vector learnt by the model corresponding to the text's label and the document vector inferred from the

⁵https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/models/doc2vec.html

⁶http://scikit-learn.org/stable/index.html

⁷http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.neural_network.MLPClassifier.html

question/comment text. The squared errors are computed for both normalized and unnormalized document vectors. For comparison purposes normalized and unnormalized squared error between any two random document vector is tabulated beside these errors (averaged over as many iterations as the number of question/comment text). Experiments show that 100-dimensional PV trained over the $\sim 2.3 \mathrm{M}$ samples from the unannotated QL corpus, gives sufficiently low errors post normalization. Further more, PV-DBOW prove to outperform the PV-DM representations as seen in Table 2. It contains few of the best results has rows sorted by the value of *column 'Ratio'*, as it is the indicator of how good the representation is. The complete list of experiments is tabulated under Appendix A.

Category	Window Size	Epochs	Squared Error	Normalized Sq. Error (A)		Norm. Sq. Error (Random) (B)	$ m Ratio \ (B/A)$
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW PV-DM	10 10 10	5 10 5	10.79 13.16 0.66	$0.12 \\ 0.12 \\ 0.21$	$0.56 \\ 0.61 \\ 0.98$	$0.80 \\ 0.82 \\ 0.99$	6.74 6.61 4.67
PV-DM	15	10	0.00	$0.21 \\ 0.22$	0.98	0.98	4.47

Table 2: Training document vector representations PV-DM and PV-DBOW –
Best results

4.3.2 SemEval Task 3 – Subtask A

The training data comprises of 38,638 comments spanning over 5,124 questions. The neural net input is a tuple of the form $(q, c, avg_ans_q, ft_{(q,c)})$, where,

 avg_ans_q is (normalized) average over the PV of all comments to question q $ft_{(q,c)}$ is feature vector corresp. to the pair (q,c) as described in section 3.3

SemEval Task 3 has as an official evaluation measure used to rank the participating systems, the metric of Mean Average Precision (MAP), calculated for the ten comments a participating system has ranked highest. Further metrics such as Mean Reciprocal Rank (MRR) and Average Recall (AvgRec) for top-10 results; Precision (P), Recall (R), F_1 (with respect to the Good/Relevant class) and Accuracy (Acc) are also reported.

4.3.2.1 Preliminary experiments with (q, c) inputs

Intially experiments were conducted with only (q, c) pair as input to the neural nets. The nets were trained using multiple solvers, activation functions, hidden layer configurations. The best performance for each parameter configuration is as tabulated in Table 3, while the complete results are tabulated in Appendix B.

Category	Solver	Activation	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	${f R}$	$\mathbf{F_1}$	\mathbf{Acc}
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	logistic relu	0.7049 0.7019	$0.8292 \\ 0.8251$	77.62 77.16	$0.6601 \\ 0.6327$	$0.5508 \\ 0.5937$	$0.6005 \\ 0.6126$	$0.7021 \\ 0.6948$
PV-DBOW	$\stackrel{ m SGD}{ m SGD}$	logistic	0.7018	0.8242	77.32	0.6412	0.5877	0.6120	0.6988
PV-DBOW	SGD		0.7009	0.8245	76.62	0.6339	0.5914	0.6119	0.6951
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	0.6993	0.8106	76.94	0.5998	0.5741	0.5867	0.6713
PV-DBOW	Adam	anh	0.698	0.8231	76.35	0.6386	0.5546	0.5936	0.6914
PV-DM	SGD	relu	0.6578	0.7855	74.58	0.5793	0.5357	0.5567	0.6532

Table 3: Preliminary experiments using only (q, c) inputs – Best results.

PV-DBOW clearly outperforms PV-DM representations in these preliminary runs. Building on this, further experiments where conducted using only the PV-DBOW representations.

4.3.2.2 Improvement with inclusion of Centroidal comment

As described in subsection 3.3.1, additionally, to capture the relative goodness of an comment with respect to other comments to the same question, avg_ans_q (normalized post averaging over the PV of all comments to question q) was fed as an input to the neural net. The best results for these experiments are tabulated in Table 4. Complete results are tabulated under Appendix C.

Category	Solver	Activation	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	\mathbf{R}	$\mathbf{F_1}$	\mathbf{Acc}
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	0.7306	0.8416	79.61	0.6607	0.5786	0.6169	0.708
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	0.7188	0.8343	79.11	0.6684	0.5658	0.6129	0.7095
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	0.7179	0.8346	79.13	0.6652	0.553	0.6039	0.7052
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	0.7177	0.8342	78.96	0.6635	0.5726	0.6147	0.7083
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	0.7169	0.8339	78.64	0.655	0.5771	0.6136	0.7046
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	0.7161	0.8263	79.45	0.6298	0.6005	0.6148	0.6942

Table 4: Experiments using (q, c, avg_ans_q) inputs – Best results.

Clearly there is a significant improvement in MAP scores after inclusion of the centroidal comment for each question as an input feature. Further experiments thus is done inclusive of avg_ans_q in the input tuple.

4.3.2.3 Further improvement with Syntactic and Metadata Features

Category Solver Activation MAP AvgRec MRR P R F_1 Acc

Table 5: Experiments using $(q, c, avg_ans_q, ft_{(q,c)})$ inputs – Best results.

4.4 Analysis

Conclusions

Appendix A

Training PV-DM and PV-DBOW

Category	Window Size	Epochs	Squared Error	Normalized Sq. Error (A)	Sq. Error (Random)	Norm. Sq. Error (Random) (B)	$ m Ratio \ (B/A)$
PV-DBOW	10	5	10.791	0.118	0.560	0.799	6.738
PV-DBOW	10	10	13.159	0.124	0.606	0.821	6.614
PV-DBOW	15	5	10.790	0.127	0.564	0.796	6.263
PV-DBOW	15	10	13.077	0.132	0.607	0.818	6.193
PV-DBOW	20	5	10.749	0.134	0.569	0.794	5.910
PV-DBOW	20	10	12.932	0.140	0.611	0.816	5.822
PV-DM	10	5	0.664	0.211	0.985	0.987	4.671
PV-DM	15	10	0.929	0.219	0.981	0.983	4.472
PV-DM	15	5	0.670	0.229	0.984	0.984	4.291
PV-DM	20	10	0.830	0.229	0.982	0.982	4.284
PV-DM	25	10	0.780	0.235	0.983	0.982	4.168
PV-DM	20	5	0.706	0.239	0.984	0.981	4.092
PV-DM	15	20	1.597	0.241	0.970	0.976	4.034
PV-DM	25	5	0.735	0.248	0.984	0.980	3.951
PV-DM	20	20	1.434	0.247	0.974	0.977	3.947
PV-DM	25	20	1.339	0.251	0.976	0.978	3.890
PV-DM	15	30	2.062	0.261	0.954	0.963	3.687
PV-DM	20	30	1.867	0.266	0.962	0.968	3.637
PV-DM	25	30	1.741	0.270	0.966	0.971	3.595
PV-DM	10	1	0.964	0.333	0.988	0.979	2.936
PV-DM	15	1	0.975	0.357	0.988	0.971	2.717
PV-DM	20	1	0.979	0.374	0.988	0.969	2.592
PV-DM	25	1	0.981	0.384	0.988	0.967	2.515

Table 6: Training document vector representations PV-DM and PV-DBOW – All results

Appendix B

Preliminary experiments

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, -]	0.7049	0.8292	77.62	0.6601	0.5508	0.6005	0.7021	286.79
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[100, -, -]	0.7019	0.8251	77.16	0.6327	0.5937	0.6126	0.6948	129.22
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[50, -, -]	0.7018	0.8242	77.32	0.6412	0.5877	0.6133	0.6988	157.93
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[100, -, -]	0.7013	0.8242	77.23	0.6353	0.5884	0.6109	0.6954	185.49
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[500, 100, 100]	0.7009	0.8245	76.62	0.6339	0.5914	0.6119	0.6951	165.03
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[50, 50, 50]	0.7008	0.8252	76.8	0.6043	0.6584	0.6302	0.6859	97.65
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	relu	[50, -, -]	0.7007	0.824	77.01	0.6374	0.5899	0.6127	0.6969	118.02
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[250, 100, -]	0.7007	0.8237	76.86	0.631	0.5854	0.6073	0.6924	155.15
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 50, 50]	0.7007	0.8251	76.89	0.6325	0.5997	0.6157	0.6957	102.81
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[250, -, -]	0.7006	0.8236	77.36	0.6396	0.5862	0.6117	0.6976	291.97
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 100, 100]	0.7006	0.825	76.9	0.6404	0.5749	0.6059	0.696	103.54
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[500, -, -]	0.7005	0.824	77.2	0.6369	0.5847	0.6097	0.6957	404.83
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[250, 50, 50]	0.7004	0.8241	76.89	0.6339	0.5914	0.6119	0.6951	139.8
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 250, 250]	0.7003	0.8248	76.97	0.6217	0.6245	0.6231	0.693	114.48
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 250, 50]	0.7	0.8248	76.94	0.6205	0.62	0.6202	0.6914	114.36
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 100, -]	0.6999	0.8244	76.92	0.6281	0.6087	0.6183	0.6945	109.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 100, -]	0.6998	0.824	76.7	0.6164	0.6275	0.6219	0.6899	104.77
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 50, -]	0.6998	0.8239	76.66	0.6194	0.6381	0.6286	0.6936	108.28
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 50, -]	0.6997	0.8243	76.75	0.6346	0.605	0.6194	0.6979	121.15
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 250, 100]	0.6997	0.8243	76.84	0.6343	0.5899	0.6113	0.6951	120.99
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 100, 50]	0.6996	0.8235	76.66	0.6334	0.5877	0.6097	0.6942	138.22
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, 100, 50]	0.6996	0.8237	76.99	0.637	0.5877	0.6114	0.6963	127.14
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, -, -]	0.6996	0.823	76.67	0.634	0.5839	0.6079	0.6939	118.76
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, 50]	0.6995	0.8238	76.69	0.6447	0.5749	0.6078	0.6985	123.39
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, 250]	0.6994	0.8241	76.76	0.6339	0.5914	0.6119	0.6951	279.06
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, 100]	0.6994	0.8235	76.89	0.6347	0.5884	0.6107	0.6951	243.03
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, -]	0.6994	0.8238	76.43	0.6347	0.5884	0.6107	0.6951	259.35
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 100, 50]	0.6994	0.824	76.51	0.6406	0.5794	0.6085	0.6969	106.14
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 50, -]	0.6994	0.8243	76.74	0.6279	0.6095	0.6186	0.6945	100.68
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 50, -]	0.6993	0.8106	76.94	0.5998	0.5741	0.5867	0.6713	139.2
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, 50]	0.6992	0.8236	76.5	0.6344	0.5914	0.6121	0.6954	235.19
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 50, -]	0.6992	0.8225	76.76	0.633	0.5892	0.6103	0.6942	140.22
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, 100, -]	0.6992	0.8241	76.74	0.6349	0.5862	0.6095	0.6948	129.93
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 500, 500]	0.6992	0.8246	76.77	0.6098	0.6584	0.6331	0.6899	168.88
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 100, 50]	0.6992	0.8238	76.74	0.6224	0.6275	0.625	0.6939	115.71
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[50, 50, -]	0.6992	0.8241	76.87	0.6333	0.6042	0.6184	0.6969	96.84
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[50, 50, -]	0.699	0.8236	76.77	0.6373	0.5884	0.6119	0.6966	114.33
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[50, -, -]	0.699	0.8235	76.95	0.6407	0.5877	0.613	0.6985	114.53
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, -, -]	0.6989	0.824	76.58	0.6377	0.5907	0.6133	0.6972	195.01
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 100, -]	0.6989	0.8231	76.79	0.6338	0.5862	0.6091	0.6942	173.54

Table 7: Preliminary experiments using only $(q,\,c)$ inputs – All results.

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, -, -]	0.6987	0.8238	76.94	0.6321	0.5869	0.6087	0.6933	147.34
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	tanh tanh	[100, 100, 100]	0.6987	0.8235 0.8233	76.59	0.6365 0.6365	0.5877 0.5929	0.6111 0.6139	0.696	131.55
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 100, 50] [100, 100, -]	0.6986 0.6986	0.8235	$76.5 \\ 76.28$	0.6303	0.6253	0.6139	0.6969 0.6914	177.37 101.25
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, -, -]	0.6985	0.824	76.55	0.6369	0.5899	0.6125	0.6966	150.09
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	logistic tanh	[100, -, -] [500, 250, 100]	0.6984 0.6983	0.8232 0.8233	76.54 76.2	0.643 0.6356	$0.5666 \\ 0.5907$	0.6024 0.6123	$0.696 \\ 0.696$	99.73 210.44
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 250, 50]	0.6983	0.8229	76.52	0.635	0.5929	0.6132	0.696	192.64
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m SGD} \\ { m Adam} \end{array}$	tanh logistic	[500, 250, -] [500, -, -]	0.6983 0.6983	0.8235 0.823	$76.68 \\ 76.51$	0.6339 0.5983	0.5877 0.6892	0.6099 0.6406	0.6945 0.6856	199.07 114.23
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[50, -, -]	0.6983	0.8233	76.55	0.6385	0.5847	0.6104	0.6966	93.79
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	tanh tanh	[500, 250, 250] [500, 50, 50]	0.6982 0.6982	0.8234 0.8232	$76.61 \\ 76.63$	0.6341 0.6309	0.5869 0.5892	0.6096 0.6093	0.6945 0.693	216.67 163.63
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, -, -]	0.6982	0.8235	76.68	0.6339	0.5824	0.6071	0.6936	185.16
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic	[500, 500, 50] [250, 250, -]	0.6982 0.6981	0.8211 0.8229	76.28 76.51	0.6311 0.6149	$0.5869 \\ 0.6441$	$0.6082 \\ 0.6292$	0.6927 0.6914	210.76 111.81
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic tanh	[100, -, -]	0.698	0.8229	$76.51 \\ 76.35$	0.6386	0.5546	0.5936	0.6914	94.23
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[50, -, -]	0.698	0.8232	76.64	0.6264	0.617	0.6217	0.6948	94.3
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	$_{ m tanh}$	[500, 50, -] [100, 50, 50]	0.6979 0.6979	$0.8229 \\ 0.8239$	$76.37 \\ 76.52$	0.6338 0.6339	0.5899 0.5877	0.6111 0.6099	0.6948 0.6945	179.26 120.28
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 250, 50]	0.6975	0.8222	76.47	0.6316	0.5869	0.6084	0.693	153.34
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	anh	[50, 50, 50] [250, 250, 100]	0.6975 0.6974	0.8224 0.8232	$76.66 \\ 76.6$	0.6369 0.6323	0.5899 0.5899	0.6125 0.6104	$0.6966 \\ 0.6939$	114.63 159.4
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 250, -]	0.6974	0.8224	76.32	0.633	0.5854	0.6083	0.6936	158.46
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	anh	[250, 100, 100] [500, -, -]	0.6974 0.6974	0.8228 0.8228	76.39 76.48	0.6322 0.6274	0.5884 0.6245	$0.6095 \\ 0.6259$	0.6936 0.6966	141.7 116.24
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, 50, -]	0.6973	0.8231	76.44	0.6356	0.5892	0.6115	0.6957	122.56
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	tanh	[500, 500, 500]	0.6971 0.6966	0.8221 0.822	76.48	0.6331 0.647	$0.5907 \\ 0.553$	0.6111 0.5963	0.6945 0.6957	340.49 106.11
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic tanh	[250, -, -] [250, -, -]	0.6964	0.8218	$76.19 \\ 76.23$	0.6331	0.5869	0.6091	0.6937	110.01
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 250, 250]	0.6962	0.8214	76.16	0.6335	0.5892	0.6105	0.6945	179.46
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic relu	[500, 250, 250] [500, 500, 500]	0.6959 0.6953	0.8205 0.8134	76.23 75.64	0.6296 0.5863	$0.6087 \\ 0.6185$	$0.619 \\ 0.602$	0.6954 0.6676	201.92 220.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, 100]	0.6952	0.8195	75.94	0.6439	0.5538	0.5955	0.6942	187
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 500, 100] [500, 500, -]	0.6948 0.6948	0.8196 0.8206	76.16 75.89	0.6254 0.6493	0.6193 0.5433	0.6223 0.5916	0.6945 0.6951	216.42 245.12
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 100, 100]	0.6944	0.82	75.84	0.6271	0.605	0.6159	0.6933	169.33
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 100, 50] [250, 100, 100]	0.6938 0.6931	$0.8192 \\ 0.8187$	$\frac{76}{75.65}$	$0.6271 \\ 0.6536$	$0.6035 \\ 0.5252$	0.615 0.5824	0.693 0.6939	157.06 134.58
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 50, 50]	0.693	0.8196	75.76	0.6325	0.5252 0.5997	0.6157	0.6957	132.37
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 500, 250]	0.6927	0.8189	75.7	0.5982	0.6855	0.6388	0.685	267.39
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	logistic relu	[500, 50, 50] [500, 500, 100]	0.6919 0.6898	0.8187 0.8095	$75.65 \\ 76.17$	0.6285 0.5901	0.6035 0.5839	0.6157 0.587	0.6939 0.6661	156.24 1081.37
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 500, 100]	0.689	0.8085	76.14	0.5895	0.5726	0.5809	0.6642	204.21
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[500, 250, 50] [500, 100, -]	0.6889 0.688	0.8052 0.8094	$77.5 \\ 75.7$	0.5756 0.5912	0.5613 0.5636	0.5684 0.577	0.6535 0.6642	146.95 140.24
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 250, 250]	0.6872	0.81	75.47	0.5879	0.6193	0.6032	0.6688	154.9
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	relu relu	[500, -, -] [500, 100, 100]	0.6871 0.6861	$0.8081 \\ 0.8071$	$76.88 \\ 77.62$	0.5729 0.577	0.5824 0.5666	$0.5776 \\ 0.5718$	$0.6538 \\ 0.655$	$195.71 \\ 572$
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, -, -]	0.6861	0.8053	75.89	0.5904	0.5553	0.5723	0.6627	178.96
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[500, 250, -] [500, 100, -]	0.6855 0.6853	0.8081 0.8042	76.23 77.34	0.585 0.5876	0.5515 0.5553	$0.5678 \\ 0.571$	0.6587 0.6609	923.78 768.49
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	500, 500, -	0.6845	0.8052	75.42	0.587	0.5636	0.575	0.6615	1367.84
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu	[500, 250, 100]	0.6828 0.6823	$0.8012 \\ 0.8055$	75.33 75.46	0.5753 0.5771	0.5719 0.5719	$0.5736 \\ 0.5745$	0.6544 0.6557	765.83 681.09
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu relu	[500, 50, -] [250, 250, 100]	0.6823	0.8055	76.37	0.6077	0.5094	0.5743 0.5542	0.667	132.59
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	250, 250, 250	0.6816	0.8073	76.21	0.6163	0.4786	0.5388	0.667	138.96
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m SGD} \\ { m Adam} \end{array}$	relu relu	[500, 250, 250] [500, 500, 250]	$0.6805 \\ 0.68$	0.8013 0.8035	$75.65 \\ 76.37$	0.5747 0.6021	$0.5704 \\ 0.5613$	$0.5725 \\ 0.581$	$0.6538 \\ 0.6709$	853.08 207.74
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 250, 100]	0.6796	0.7963	75.73	0.5829	0.611	0.5966	0.6642	147.82
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	relu relu	[500, 100, 50] [500, 250, 50]	$0.6795 \\ 0.679$	$0.8025 \\ 0.8$	75.87 74.37	0.5899 0.5847	0.5899 0.5636	0.5899 0.5739	0.6667 0.6599	167.79 769.21
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[50, -, -]	0.6789	0.802	74.61	0.5746	0.5388	0.5561	0.6505	150.11
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[500, 250, -] [250, 250, 50]	0.6784 0.6784	0.8015 0.8029	74.97 74.02	0.6037 0.5892	$0.5388 \\ 0.5192$	0.5694 0.552	$0.6688 \\ 0.6575$	$147.97 \\ 129.22$
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	500, 100, 50	0.678	0.8023	75.18	0.5828	0.5132 0.5771	0.552	0.6602	594.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, 50, -]	$0.678 \\ 0.6779$	0.8043 0.7993	74.84 75.16	0.5899 0.6069	0.5335	0.5603	0.6596	126.64 193.78
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m Adam} \end{array}$	relu relu	[500, 500, 50] [250, 50, 50]	0.6777	0.7993	75.16 74.79	0.6069 0.6144	0.5192 0.5011	$0.5596 \\ 0.552$	0.6679 0.6694	116.88
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, -, -]	0.6764	0.7963	75.58	0.5776	0.5628	0.5701	0.655	254.68
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} {\rm Adam} \\ {\rm SGD} \end{array}$	relu relu	[250, 100, 50] [500, 500, 500]	0.6759 0.6757	$0.8006 \\ 0.7998$	$75.18 \\ 74.65$	0.5827 0.582	$0.5222 \\ 0.5658$	$0.5508 \\ 0.5738$	0.6538 0.6584	116.39 1069.71
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 50]	0.675	0.8002	75.24	0.5778	0.5643	0.571	0.6554	1066.17
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[250, 100, 100] [500, 50, 50]	0.6749 0.6745	0.8009 0.798	75.43 73.88	0.5714 0.5675	$0.626 \\ 0.6328$	0.5975 0.5984	0.6572 0.6547	120.57 128.97
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, 100, - [0.6736	0.7985	73.98	0.5734	0.5816	0.5775	0.6541	130.35
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 50, 50]	0.6735	0.7994	75.36	0.5847	0.5847	0.5847	0.6624	523.52

Preliminary experiments using only (q, c) inputs – All results.

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[50, 50, -]	0.6731	0.7978	74.39	0.5764	0.5621	0.5691	0.6541	259.25
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	relu	[250, 250, 50]	0.6726	0.7935	73.95	0.5671	0.5598	0.5634	0.6474	602.45
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	tanh relu	[500, 500, 500] [500, 500, 250]	0.6724 0.6723	0.7953 0.7955	75.14 73.58	0.5931 0.5784	0.5824 0.5636	0.5877 0.5709	0.6679 0.6557	547.86 1322
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	250, 250, 100	0.6723	0.7967	75.01	0.5756	0.5643	0.5699	0.6538	654.96
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 100, -]	0.6707	0.7989	74.35	0.5655	0.5327	0.5486	0.6437	552.36
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 500, -]	0.6707	0.7923	73.13	0.5747	0.5786	0.5767	0.6547	148.62
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[50, 50, 50] [250, 250, -]	0.67 0.6693	0.8021 0.7942	$74.36 \\ 74.6$	$0.5796 \\ 0.578$	0.5997 0.5523	0.5895 0.5648	$0.6606 \\ 0.6541$	263.43 741.41
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 100, 50]	0.6685	0.7909	73.52	0.5592	0.547	0.5531	0.6407	489.11
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, 250, -]	0.6684	0.8003	73.9	0.5709	0.5756	0.5732	0.6517	121.24
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	relu relu	[250, 50, 50] [250, 100, -]	$0.668 \\ 0.6673$	0.7915 0.7936	$73.88 \\ 73.37$	$0.5735 \\ 0.5725$	$0.5666 \\ 0.5764$	0.57 0.5744	$0.6526 \\ 0.6529$	453.22 119.39
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 500, 250]	0.6658	0.7878	73.56	0.5874	0.5764	0.5818	0.6633	418.31
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	500, 250, 100	0.6652	0.7888	72.88	0.5847	0.5508	0.5672	0.6584	269.1
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 100, 100]	0.6651	0.7938	72.41	0.5822	0.6102	0.5959	0.6636	135.75
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	relu relu	[50, 50, -] [250, 100, 100]	0.6643 0.6642	0.7886 0.7908	$73.6 \\ 73.86$	0.5562 0.5731	0.5583 0.5455	0.5573 0.559	0.6394 0.6502	160.04 491.03
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[100, 50, -]	0.664	0.7927	74.39	0.5575	0.5688	0.5631	0.6413	369.27
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 50, -]	0.6629	0.7963	73.97	0.5704	0.5455	0.5577	0.6483	508.34
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	relu tanh	[250, 250, 250] [500, 500, 100]	$0.6627 \\ 0.662$	0.7916 0.789	72.39 73.43	0.5732 0.5696	$0.5365 \\ 0.5786$	0.5542 0.5741	0.6492 0.6511	794.86 374.78
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	250, 250, 250	0.6615	0.7823	73.69	0.5816	0.5628	0.5721	0.6578	289.35
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 500, -]	0.6602	0.7872	74.35	0.5988	0.5816	0.5901	0.6716	581.17
PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh	[250, 250, 100]	0.6601	0.7876	72.89	0.5831	0.5598	0.5712	0.6584	264.34 138.45
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam	relu tanh	[100, 50, -] [500, 250, 50]	$0.6596 \\ 0.6582$	$0.7862 \\ 0.7858$	74.06 72.06	0.5573 0.6067	0.5455 0.5606	0.5513 0.5827	0.6391 0.6737	256.13
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[100, 100, -]	0.6581	0.7863	72.44	0.5478	0.5515	0.5497	0.6327	518.07
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[100, 50, 50]	0.6581	0.787	72.68	0.5545	0.5591	0.5568	0.6382	448.03
PV-DM PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	relu tanh	[100, -, -] [250, 50, -]	0.6578 0.6574	0.7855 0.7864	74.58 72.75	0.5793 0.5678	0.5357 0.5922	0.5567 0.5797	0.6532 0.6511	406.38 277.48
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 500, 50]	0.6574	0.7909	72.68	0.5879	0.5862	0.587	0.6648	452.67
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[50, -, -]	0.6566	0.7812	74.01	0.5468	0.5139	0.5299	0.6294	336.11
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 50, -]	0.6556	0.784	73.92	0.5698	0.5741 0.5922	0.572	0.6508	400.86
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh relu	[500, 250, 250] [100, 100, 100]	0.655 0.6544	$0.7826 \\ 0.7836$	73.79 72.81	$0.5745 \\ 0.5582$	0.5922 0.5591	0.5832 0.5586	$0.656 \\ 0.641$	328.39 127.78
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	100, 100, 100	0.6542	0.7831	73.9	0.5391	0.5553	0.5471	0.6263	511.62
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[100, 100, 50]	0.6532	0.782	73.38	0.5583	0.5583	0.5583	0.641	207.32
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	tanh relu	[250, 250, 50] [100, 100, 50]	0.653 0.6527	0.7853 0.7798	74.63 72.78	0.5734 0.5398	0.5553 0.5508	0.5642 0.5453	0.6514 0.6266	252.29 453.5
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[250, -, -]	0.651	0.7788	72.85	0.5512	0.5019	0.5254	0.6315	647.54
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[100, 50, 50]	0.65	0.779	71.93	0.565	0.5726	0.5688	0.6471	198.89
PV-DBOW PV-DM	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	tanh relu	[500, 100, 100] [500, -, -]	0.6497 0.6489	$0.7739 \\ 0.7816$	$71.12 \\ 73.25$	$0.5695 \\ 0.5672$	0.5764 0.5719	0.5729 0.5695	$0.6508 \\ 0.6486$	243.46 1023.4
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 100, -]	0.6483	0.7797	72.33	0.5628	0.5801	0.5713	0.6462	292.92
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 100, 50]	0.6455	0.7772	70.64	0.5734	0.5493	0.5611	0.6508	211.19
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 100, 100]	0.6433	0.7745	71.85	0.5766	0.5944	0.5854	0.6578	216.4
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh relu	[500, 250, -] [100, 100, 50]	0.6432 0.6431	0.7718 0.7801	$72.2 \\ 72.71$	0.543 0.5613	$0.5651 \\ 0.5613$	$0.5538 \\ 0.5613$	0.63 0.6434	421.79 121.1
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[100, 100, -]	0.643	0.7732	71.16	0.5537	0.5741	0.5637	0.6388	270.55
PV-DBOW	Adam	anh	[500, 100, 50]	0.6416	0.7717	71.75	0.5449	0.5388	0.5418	0.6297	250.93
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	anh	[100, 100, 100]	0.6414 0.6413	$0.7705 \\ 0.7726$	71.56 72.96	0.5532 0.5376	0.5282 0.5591	0.5404 0.5481	0.6349 0.6254	224.08 258.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 100, -]	0.6397	0.7683	70.39	0.566	0.5485	0.5571	0.6456	335.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[50, 50, -]	0.6376	0.7578	70.44	0.5467	0.5636	0.555	0.6327	285.37
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu tanh	[100, 50, 50]	0.6364 0.6358	$0.7727 \\ 0.7675$	70.43 70.43	0.5684	0.6095 0.5515	0.5882 0.553	0.6532 0.6376	114.89 285.94
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 50, 50] [250, 250, -]	0.6347	0.7682	70.43	0.5676	0.5719	0.5697	0.6489	354.91
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[50, 50, -]	0.6345	0.7582	72.47	0.5159	0.5132	0.5145	0.6064	285.52
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[50, 50, 50]	0.6333	0.7639	70.17	0.5441	0.5613	0.5526	0.6306	178.9
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh tanh	[50, 50, 50] [250, 50, 50]	0.631 0.6292	0.7669 0.7619	70.62 70.82	0.5428 0.5508	$0.5636 \\ 0.5591$	0.553 0.5549	0.6297 0.6355	234.92 225
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 250, 50]	0.6286	0.7586	72.08	0.5227	0.5546	0.5382	0.6131	538.98
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 250]	0.6237	0.7542	71.01	0.5135	0.544	0.5283	0.6052	878.02
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[500, 100, 100] [500, 50, -]	0.6235 0.6215	$0.7531 \\ 0.756$	$71.02 \\ 70.78$	$0.5145 \\ 0.5138$	0.547 0.5613	0.5303 0.5365	$0.6061 \\ 0.6058$	480.21 718.87
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 500]	0.6213 0.6204	0.754	71.33	0.4986	0.5252	0.5305 0.5115	0.5924	1504.31
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 100, 50]	0.6194	0.7524	70.9	0.5223	0.538	0.53	0.6122	614.61
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu	[500, 250, 100] 500, 500, 100]	0.6193 0.6192	0.7517 0.7505	70.47	0.5032 0.5158	$0.532 \\ 0.529$	0.5172 0.5223	0.5963	767.04 1065.57
PV-DM PV-DM	SGD	relu relu	[500, 500, 100]	0.6192 0.6184	0.7505	70.94 70.66	0.5158 0.5207	0.529 0.5485	0.5223 0.5343	0.6067 0.6113	735.53
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 500, -]	0.6175	0.7533	70.17	0.513	0.5485	0.5302	0.6049	1426.78
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 50]	0.6174	0.7525	71.03	0.5246	0.5613	0.5423	0.615	780.77
PV-DM PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	relu relu	[250, 250, -] [500, 250, 250]	0.6168 0.6166	0.7424 0.7523	70.98 71.18	0.4877 0.5228	$0.553 \\ 0.535$	0.5183 0.5288	0.5823 0.6125	743.93 633.24
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 250, -]	0.6164	0.7513	70.24	0.5217	0.5598	0.5401	0.6125	932.22
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[500, 50, 50]	0.6161	0.7498	69.61	0.5162	0.5388	0.5272	0.6073	392.48

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Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	\mathbf{R}	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DM PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	relu	[250, 50, -] [250, 250, 50]	$0.6154 \\ 0.6146$	$0.7413 \\ 0.7442$	72.24	0.51	0.5546	0.5314	$0.6024 \\ 0.5737$	531.63 628.25
PV-DM	SGD	relu relu	[100, 50, 50]	0.6140 0.6131	0.7442	69.09 69.56	0.478 0.5068	$0.5305 \\ 0.5598$	0.5029 0.532	0.5757	503.87
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[250, 50, 50]	0.6128	0.7386	69.05	0.4951	0.5357	0.5146	0.5893	432.66
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[100, 50, -]	0.6108	0.7475	69.63	0.498	0.553	0.5241	0.5917	434.61
PV-DM PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	relu relu	[250, 100, -] [100, 100, -]	0.6093 0.6089	0.7437 0.7471	68.79 68.59	0.5153 0.5058	0.5583 0.5869	0.5359 0.5434	$0.607 \\ 0.5991$	557.81 447.16
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[250, 100, 100]	0.6077	0.7405	69.81	0.51	0.5365	0.5229	0.6021	509.99
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[250, 250, 100]	0.6047	0.7417	68.62	0.5048	0.5553	0.5288	0.5979	597.51
PV-DM PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	relu relu	[50, 50, 50] [250, 100, 50]	0.6009 0.5989	0.7415 0.7338	68.04 69.07	$0.5065 \\ 0.4858$	$0.5862 \\ 0.5267$	0.5434 0.5054	$0.5997 \\ 0.581$	306.17 502.23
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[250, 250, 250]	0.5984	0.7365	67.62	0.4975	0.5207 0.5312	0.5138	0.5914	698.78
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[100, 100, 50]	0.5956	0.7339	66.41	0.5123	0.5342	0.523	0.604	510.46
PV-DM	SGD	relu	[100, 100, 100]	0.5931	0.7225	66.82	0.4963	0.5523	0.5228	0.5902	573.52
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[500, 100, -] [250, 50, -]	$0.586 \\ 0.5839$	$0.7138 \\ 0.7233$	65.75 65.44	0	0	0	$0.5936 \\ 0.5936$	132.45 135.94
PV-DBOW	\overline{SGD}	logistic	[500, 250, 100]	0.581	0.7154	65.69	Ŏ	Õ	ŏ	0.5936	155.95
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 100, 100]	0.5751	0.7053	64.64	0	0	0	0.5936	139.51
PV-DBOW PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[250, 250, 50] [500, 250, -]	0.5749 0.5671	$0.7005 \\ 0.6922$	63.55 64.02	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	133.74 167.21
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, 50]	0.566	0.6933	64.56	ő	0	0	0.5936	147.52
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 250, -]	0.5642	0.6977	61.58	0	0	0	0.5936	150.1
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, -]	0.5574	0.6849	62.9	0	0	0	0.5936	168.45
PV-DBOW PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[100, 100, -] [100, 100, 100]	0.5558 0.5535	$0.6908 \\ 0.6856$	61.06 61.61	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	110.29 127.31
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, 50]	0.5511	0.6856	61.34	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	0.5936	132.9
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, 100]	0.548	0.6785	63	0	0	0	0.5936	147.96
PV-DBOW PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 250, 250] [250, 100, 100]	0.5469 0.5449	$0.684 \\ 0.679$	61.51 62.94	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	166.18 134.04
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, -]	0.5421	0.6772	60.01	ő	0	0	0.5936	137.88
PV-DM	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[500, 100, 50]	0.5417	0.6665	59.95	0	0	0	0.5936	156.08
PV-DBOW PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[250, 100, -] [500, 100, -]	0.5412 0.5407	0.6712 0.6747	$62.1 \\ 60.5$	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	141.42 153.05
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[50, 50, -]	0.5397	0.6761	60.53	0	0	0	0.5936	96.45
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 50, 50]	0.5392	0.675	60.45	0	0	0	0.5936	142.97
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 100, 50]	0.5377	0.6729	60.24	0	0	0	0.5936	142.11
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 50, -] [250, 50, 50]	$0.5376 \\ 0.5366$	$0.6686 \\ 0.6711$	60.73 61.68	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	149.02 129.84
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	100, 50, 50	0.5351	0.6675	59.26	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	0.5936	115.25
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, 100]	0.5343	0.657	58.2	0	0	0	0.5936	126.65
PV-DM PV-DM	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[100, 50, -] [500, 500, 100]	0.5327 0.5312	$0.6644 \\ 0.6575$	59.19 59.8	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	112.61 196.87
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	500, 500, 500	0.53	0.6616	61.47	ő	0	0	0.5936	238.96
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[50, 50, 50]	0.53	0.6744	59.74	0	0	0	0.5936	98.65
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 50, -] [100, 50, 50]	0.5299 0.5282	$0.6692 \\ 0.6548$	58.93 58.24	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	133.22 102.35
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 50, -]	0.5232 0.5277	0.6572	58.57	0	0	0	0.5936	127.24
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[100, 100, 100]	0.5264	0.66	57.68	0	0	0	0.5936	127.72
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, -]	0.5256	0.6514	57.24	0	0	0	0.5936	188.14
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[50, 50, 50] [500, 500, 50]	$0.5231 \\ 0.523$	0.6516 0.6601	58.16 57.51	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	111.9 201.83
PV-DBOW	$\widetilde{\mathrm{SGD}}$	logistic	[500, 500, 100]	0.5229	0.6494	59.03	ŏ	ŏ	ŏ	0.5936	172.3
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[50, 50, -]	0.5224	0.6564	58.23	0	0	0	0.5936	109.46
PV-DM PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[500, 250, 50] [500, 500, 250]	0.5218 0.5218	$0.6586 \\ 0.6445$	57.39 56.53	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	175.63 202.79
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[100, 100, 50]	0.5211	0.65	56.6	ő	ő	0	0.5936	133.63
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, 250]	0.5208	0.6514	59.21	0	0	0	0.5936	155.23
PV-DM PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[500, 100, 100] [250, 250, -]	$0.5195 \\ 0.5173$	$0.6525 \\ 0.6502$	$57.21 \\ 56.13$	0	0	0	$0.5936 \\ 0.5936$	155.54 132.11
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[500, 50, 50]	0.5175	0.642	56.98	0	0	0	0.5936	154.23
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[100, 100, 50]	0.5151	0.6481	57.97	0	0	0	0.5936	127.28
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic	[500, 50, 50] [100, 50, -]	0.5151	0.6501	56.55 58.1	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	129.06 99.76
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic logistic	[250, 250, 250]	$0.5151 \\ 0.5132$	0.6553 0.6458	57.58	0	$0 \\ 0$	0	0.5936	162.82
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, -]	0.5127	0.6427	57.32	Ŏ	Õ	Ŏ	0.5936	129.53
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[500, 250, 100]	0.5116	0.6428	57.82	0	0	0	0.5936	168.03
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 500, 250] [100, 100, -]	0.5112 0.5098	0.6492 0.649	55.82 57.46	0	$0 \\ 0$	0	0.5936 0.5936	224.96 115.69
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[100, -, -]	0.508	0.6317	55.97	ő	0	0	0.5936	114.61
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, 50]	0.5049	0.6364	55.15	0	0	0	0.5936	173.42
PV-DM PV-DM	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 250, 250] [50, -, -]	0.4981	0.6294	54.73 53.81	0	$0 \\ 0$	0	0.5936	187.67 111.51
PV-DM PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, 100]	0.4979 0.493	$0.6309 \\ 0.6307$	53.81 55.28	0	0	0	$0.5936 \\ 0.5936$	111.51 138.22
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 250, 50]	0.4918	0.6242	52.28	0	0	0	0.5936	144.43
PV-DM	SGD	logistic	[250, -, -]	0.491	0.6178	53.62	0	0	0	0.5936	133.34
PV-DM PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, -, -] [500, 500, 500]	0.4804 0.4698	$0.6082 \\ 0.6025$	51.04 51.18	0	$0 \\ 0$	0	0.5936 0.5936	163.81 236.12
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, 50]	0.4678	0.5966	49.34	Ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ	0.5936	125.11

Preliminary experiments using only (q, c) inputs – All results.

Appendix C

Experiments post inclusion of Average Answer

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	\mathbf{AvgRec}	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, -, -]	0.7306	0.8416	79.61	0.6607	0.5786	0.6169	0.708	1006.57
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	100, -, -	0.7296	0.8418	80.81	0.6678	0.5688	0.6144	0.7098	617.66
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	500, -, -	0.7253	0.8429	78.88	0.6536	0.6035	0.6275	0.7089	1475.27
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[500, 100, -]	0.7188	0.8343	79.11	0.6684	0.5658	0.6129	0.7095	260.33
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[250, 250, 250]	0.7182	0.834	78.87	0.6655	0.5658	0.6116	0.708	303.5
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[100, -, -]	0.7179	0.8346	79.13	0.6652	0.553	0.6039	0.7052	253.01
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[50, -, -]	0.7177	0.8342	78.96	0.6635	0.5726	0.6147	0.7083	131.9
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[500, 500, 500]	0.7172	0.8337	78.78	0.6675	0.5696	0.6147	0.7098	543.58
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[250, 100, 50]	0.7171	0.8329	78.48	0.6655	0.5673	0.6125	0.7083	424.85
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[50, -, -]	0.7171	0.8339	79.09	0.6628	0.5606	0.6074	0.7055	177.75
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[250, 250, 100]	0.7169	0.8333	78.79	0.6661	0.5613	0.6092	0.7073	240.19
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[100, 100, -]	0.7169	0.8338	79.13	0.6652	0.5576	0.6066	0.7061	311.23
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[50, 50, 50]	0.7169	0.8325	78.47	0.6673	0.5658	0.6124	0.7089	290.3
PV-DBOW	Adam	anh	[250, -, -]	0.7169	0.8339	78.64	0.655	0.5771	0.6136	0.7046	351.16
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[250, -, -]	0.7168	0.8338	78.83	0.6664	0.5576	0.6071	0.7067	371.12
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[100, 50, 50]	0.7167	0.8326	78.84	0.6687	0.5636	0.6117	0.7092	338.32
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, -, -]	0.7167	0.834	78.68	0.6676	0.538	0.5958	0.7034	145.1
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	anh	[500, 500, 50]	0.7166	0.8333	78.75	0.6676	0.5681	0.6138	0.7095	436.02
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[250, -, -]	0.7166	0.8336	79.01	0.6649	0.5598	0.6078	0.7064	490.53
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[250, 250, 50]	0.7165	0.8333	78.64	0.6652	0.5621	0.6093	0.707	373.19
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[250, 250, -]	0.7165	0.8324	78.77	0.6661	0.5628	0.6101	0.7076	366.54
PV-DBOW	SGD	anh	[100, 100, 100]	0.7164	0.8328	78.71	0.6667	0.5658	0.6121	0.7086	360.34
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 250, -]	0.7164	0.8334	78.65	0.6562	0.5959	0.6246	0.7089	151.33
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 100, -]	0.7163	0.8331	78.76	0.6598	0.5779	0.6161	0.7073	143.98
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	logistic	[500, -, -]	0.7162	0.8336	78.93	0.6634	0.553	0.6032	0.7043	654.97
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, -, -]	0.7162	0.8334	78.79	0.6603	0.5704	0.612	0.7061	152.61
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[100, 100, 50]	0.7162	0.8331	78.73	0.6519	0.5862	0.6173	0.7046	131.12
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	anh	[500, 250, 50]	0.7161	0.8332	78.96	0.667	0.5621	0.61	0.708	283.91
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[250, 50, -]	0.7161	0.8335	78.69	0.6602	0.5613	0.6068	0.7043	434.61
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 250, 250]	0.7161	0.8263	79.45	0.6298	0.6005	0.6148	0.6942	207.78
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[250, 100, -]	0.716	0.8328	78.31	0.6655	0.5628	0.6099	0.7073	529.11
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	tanh	[500, 500, -]	0.7158	0.8328	78.42	0.6652	0.5621	0.6093	0.707	512.39
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 100, 50]	0.7158	0.8321	78.53	0.667	0.5681	0.6136	0.7092	229.37
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, 50, -]	0.7157	0.8328	78.88	0.6649	0.5613	0.6087	0.7067	345.05
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[50, 50, 50]	0.7157	0.8325	78.64	0.6472	0.6087	0.6274	0.7061	142.91
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, 250]	0.7156	0.8327	78.65	0.6664	0.5651	0.6116	0.7083	497.31
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 250, 250]	0.7156	0.8329	78.52	0.6681	0.5666	0.6132	0.7095	388.15
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, -, -]	0.7156	0.8328	78.76	0.6676	0.5591	0.6085	0.7076	289.94
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 100, 100]	0.7154	0.8329	78.52	0.6697	0.5628	0.6116	0.7095	327.82
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 50, 50]	0.7154	0.8329	78.78	0.6611	0.5651	0.6093	0.7055	567.72

Table 8: Experiments using (q, c, avg_com_q) inputs – All results.

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[100, -, -]	0.7154	0.8324	78.62	0.6625	0.5523	0.6024	0.7037	327.56
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[50, 50, -]	0.7154	0.8325	78.58	0.6658	0.5666	0.6122	0.7083	327.6
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh logistic	[500, -, -] [100, 100, 100]	0.7152 0.7152	0.8335 0.8327	$78.54 \\ 78.52$	0.685 0.6649	0.468 0.5538	0.5561 0.6043	0.6963 0.7052	328.31 140.71
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 50, -]	0.715	0.8329	78.6	0.6667	0.5673	0.613	0.7089	250.67
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	tanh tanh	[500, 250, -] [500, 250, 100]	0.7148 0.7147	0.8325 0.8324	78.69 78.41	0.6664 0.6646	$0.5636 \\ 0.5621$	0.6107 0.6091	$0.708 \\ 0.7067$	330.26 364.63
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[250, 100, 100]	0.7147	0.8318	78.47	0.664	0.5636	0.6097	0.7067	385.25
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m SGD} \\ { m Adam} \end{array}$	logistic logistic	[50, -, -] [100, -, -]	0.7147 0.7147	$0.8328 \\ 0.8327$	$78.62 \\ 78.63$	0.6673 0.6686	$0.5598 \\ 0.5312$	$0.6088 \\ 0.592$	$0.7076 \\ 0.7024$	216.07 135.51
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[50, -, -]	0.7145	0.8328	78.38	0.6611	0.5636	0.6084	0.7052	204.36
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	logistic tanh	[50, 50, -] [500, 50, 50]	0.7144 0.7143	0.8325 0.8322	$78.38 \\ 78.5$	$0.6676 \\ 0.669$	0.544 0.5643	0.5995 0.6122	0.7046 0.7095	132.09 250.62
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh	[500, 500, 100]	0.7143 0.7142	0.8315	78.38	0.6681	0.5651	0.6123	0.7093 0.7092	450.76
PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu	[500, 100, -]	0.714	0.8281	79.44	0.6341	0.5816	0.6068	0.6936	168.03
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic tanh	[500, 500, 250] [100, 100, 50]	0.714 0.7139	0.832 0.8316	78.36 78.34	0.6703 0.6673	0.5613 0.5673	0.611 0.6133	$0.7095 \\ 0.7092$	172.65 376.71
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, -]	0.7138	0.8314	78.68	0.6785	0.5192	0.5882	0.7046	227.55
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[250, 250, 100] [500, 100, 100]	0.7138 0.7133	0.8319 0.8315	78.73 78.77	0.6524 0.6623	0.6072 0.5711	0.629 0.6133	0.7089 0.7073	210.29 186.39
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[50, -, -]	0.7131	0.8317	78.16	0.6599	0.5606	0.6062	0.704	128.91
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	relu logistic	[500, 50, -]	0.7128	0.8242	79.71	0.618	0.5989	0.6083	0.6865 0.7104	1003.3
PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic	[500, 500, 50] [250, 250, 50]	$0.7128 \\ 0.7125$	0.831 0.8311	$78.52 \\ 78.58$	$0.655 \\ 0.6591$	$0.6072 \\ 0.5892$	$0.6302 \\ 0.6222$	$0.7104 \\ 0.7092$	233.55 199.44
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 50, 50]	0.7123	0.8328	78.68	0.6357	0.6343	0.635	0.7037	175.17
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[250, 50, 50] [500, 500, -]	0.7122 0.7117	0.8317 0.8315	78.76 78.78	0.6722 0.6548	0.5139 0.608	$0.5825 \\ 0.6305$	$0.7006 \\ 0.7104$	172.98 314.9
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, 50]	0.7114	0.8301	78.31	0.666	0.5222	0.5854	0.6994	197.5
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic	[250, 50, -]	0.7113	0.8312	78.68	0.6515	0.6035	0.6266	0.7076	170.79
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 500, 500] [500, 100, -]	$0.711 \\ 0.711$	0.8313 0.8314	78.21 78.68	$0.6691 \\ 0.6635$	0.5568 0.5711	$0.6078 \\ 0.6138$	$0.708 \\ 0.708$	389.5 220.66
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 100, -]	0.711	0.8304	78.53	0.6648	0.5403	0.5961	0.7024	175.26
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 100, 50] [250, 100, 50]	$0.7109 \\ 0.7108$	0.8311 0.8309	$78.61 \\ 78.67$	0.6899 0.6617	0.4838 0.5711	$0.5688 \\ 0.6131$	$0.7018 \\ 0.707$	191.68 182.06
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[500, 250, 250]	0.7106	0.8304	78.17	0.6562	0.5801	0.6158	0.7058	251.89
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 250, 250]	0.7103 0.71	0.8298 0.8307	78.17	0.6676	0.5275	0.5893	0.7012	228.06
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 250, 100] [500, 50, -]	0.7093	0.8296	$78.6 \\ 78.19$	$0.6658 \\ 0.6728$	0.5591 0.5199	$0.6078 \\ 0.5866$	$0.7067 \\ 0.7021$	280.17 195
PV-DBOW	Adam	logistic	[250, 100, 100]	0.7093	0.8297	78.31	0.655	0.6042	0.6286	0.7098	189.62
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	logistic logistic	[500, 500, 100] [100, 50, 50]	0.7088 0.7083	$0.8305 \\ 0.83$	78.39 78.22	0.6654 0.6437	0.5478 0.6253	0.6009 0.6344	0.7043 0.707	296.11 162.92
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, 100, 100]	0.7015	0.8172	77.38	0.5863	0.6494	0.6162	0.6713	167
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[500, 500, -] [500, 250, 250]	$0.7006 \\ 0.7$	0.8179 0.8199	$78.32 \\ 77.32$	0.6204 0.6109	0.6027 0.6012	$0.6115 \\ 0.606$	0.6887 0.6823	1784.41 1248.84
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 100, -]	0.699	0.8198	78.02	0.6145	0.5937	0.6039	0.6835	1106.38
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 250, 50]	0.6988	0.8125	77.23	0.6056	0.5696	0.587	0.6743	793.21
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	relu relu	[500, 250, 100] [250, 250, 250]	0.6977 0.6976	$0.82 \\ 0.8139$	76.84 77.73	0.6097 0.6029	$0.5854 \\ 0.5862$	0.5973 0.5944	$0.6792 \\ 0.6749$	1065.68 1091.9
PV-DBOW	$_{\rm SGD}$	relu	[250, 250, -]	0.6974	0.8184	76.81	0.6016	0.5771	0.5891	0.6728	803.06
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[500, -, -] [500, 50, 50]	0.6973 0.6946	0.8177 0.8204	$76.76 \\ 77.34$	0.6268 0.6198	0.5839 0.6035	$0.6046 \\ 0.6115$	0.6896 0.6884	223.56 181.34
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 250, -]	0.6944	0.8152	76.18	0.613	0.5816	0.5969	0.6807	1282.36
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[500, 500, 250] [250, 100, -]	0.6941 0.6939	$0.8162 \\ 0.8152$	77.64 76.73	$0.6005 \\ 0.59$	0.5711 0.5922	0.5854 0.5911	0.6713 0.667	1787.21 814.86
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	250, 100, -	0.6938	0.8163	76.97	0.6092	0.5666	0.5871	0.6761	165.17
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 50, -]	0.6933	0.8117	78.16	0.5957	0.5877	0.5917	0.6703	730.03
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[250, -, -] [500, 500, -]	0.6932 0.6927	$0.8148 \\ 0.8124$	76.87 76.81	$0.6046 \\ 0.5747$	0.5741 0.6599	0.589 0.6144	0.6743 0.6633	223.95 220.47
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 500, 500]	0.6924	0.8171	77.13	0.6233	0.5839	0.603	0.6875	252.46
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[100, 100, -] [500, 500, 250]	0.6917 0.6908	0.8121 0.8185	$76.6 \\ 76.13$	$0.6 \\ 0.6068$	$0.5688 \\ 0.6561$	0.584 0.6305	$0.6706 \\ 0.6875$	168.93 274.75
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, 100, 100]	0.6908	0.8105	76.42	0.5951	0.5463	0.5696	0.6645	162.52
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} {\rm Adam} \\ {\rm SGD} \end{array}$	relu relu	[250, 250, 50] [500, 50, 50]	0.6902 0.689	0.8047 0.8114	76.05 76.18	0.6003 0.6038	0.5538 0.5974	$0.5761 \\ 0.6006$	$0.6688 \\ 0.6771$	190.65 573.03
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 30, 30]	0.6889	0.8114	75.52	0.6233	0.5974 0.5403	0.5788	0.6804	176.74
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 50, -]	0.6885	0.8147	76.52	0.6255	0.5944	0.6096	0.6905	170.29
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[250, 250, 100] [250, 50, 50]	0.6883 0.688	$0.8116 \\ 0.807$	74.95 76.93	0.6159 0.5986	0.5756 0.5688	0.5951 0.5833	0.6817 0.6697	850.23 647.14
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 250, 100]	0.6879	0.8109	76.69	0.608	0.5229	0.5623	0.6691	212.82
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	logistic relu	[100, 50, -] [100, 100, -]	0.6877 0.687	0.8134 0.8113	75.84 77.42	$0.622 \\ 0.5821$	$0.5275 \\ 0.5764$	$0.5708 \\ 0.5792$	0.6777 0.6596	317.94 615.04
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 500, 50]	0.6869	0.8108	76.01	0.595	0.6125	0.6036	0.6731	211.89
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, 250, 250]	0.6864	0.8077	75.48	0.6141	0.5688	0.5906	0.6795	178.08
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[250, 50, 50] [250, 250, 100]	0.6861 0.6859	$0.8103 \\ 0.8082$	$76.95 \\ 76.68$	$0.6116 \\ 0.5777$	0.5771 0.6072	0.5939 0.5921	0.6792 0.6599	162.42 175.58
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[250, 50, -]	0.6859	0.8124	76.08	0.6308	0.5463	0.5855	0.6856	162.23
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	tanh relu	[500, 250, 100] [250, 100, 100]	0.6858 0.6857	0.804 0.8066	77.83 75.94	0.6071 0.5995	$0.5801 \\ 0.5824$	0.5933 0.5908	$0.6768 \\ 0.6722$	656.93 679.61
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 500, 100]	0.6855	0.8143	74.75	0.6569	0.5372	0.5911	0.6979	206.64
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	relu relu	[500, 100, 50] [250, 250, -]	0.6841 0.6834	$0.8064 \\ 0.802$	77.55 75.26	$0.5872 \\ 0.6039$	$0.5749 \\ 0.5162$	$0.581 \\ 0.5566$	0.663 0.6657	925.53 181.22
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[50, -, -]	0.683	0.8092	76.38	0.5855	0.5485	0.5664	0.6587	408.89

Experiments using (q, c, avg_com_q) inputs – All results.

Category	Solver	Activation	Hidden Layer	MAP	AvgRec	MRR	P	R	$\mathbf{F_1}$	Acc	Runtime(sec)
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 100, 100]	0.6827	0.8053	75.99	0.5991	0.5824	0.5906	0.6719	858.49
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 100]	0.6826	0.8076	75.83	0.6103	0.5726	0.5908	0.6777	1449.54
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	relu relu	[250, 100, 50] [500, 250, 50]	0.6825 0.6824	0.8119 0.8122	75.69 76.21	0.5909 0.6137	$0.5967 \\ 0.6132$	0.5938 0.6135	0.6682 0.6859	166.28 1099
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, -, -]	0.6824	0.8063	75.7	0.5995	0.5824	0.5908	0.6722	212.28
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 500]	0.6818	0.8054	75.2	0.5922	0.6163	0.604	0.6716	2085.15
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu relu	[500, 250, 50] [500, 250, -]	$0.6816 \\ 0.6802$	0.8152 0.8125	75.63 74.16	0.6303 0.6204	0.5132 0.5312	0.5657 0.5724	0.6798 0.6774	199.51 192.04
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[500, 250, -]	0.6796	0.8125	74.10	0.6452	0.5312 0.5282	0.5724 0.5809	0.6902	178.77
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[500, 500, 50]	0.6794	0.8061	75.36	0.6008	0.5809	0.5907	0.6728	1523.85
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$\begin{array}{c} { m Adam} \\ { m SGD} \end{array}$	tanh relu	[50, 50, -]	0.6792 0.6789	0.801 0.8029	75.67 76.84	$0.5701 \\ 0.5881$	$0.5688 \\ 0.5877$	$0.5695 \\ 0.5879$	$0.6505 \\ 0.6651$	275.89 426.89
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[50, 50, 50] [100, -, -]	0.678	0.8026	74.38	0.5924	0.5741	0.5831	0.6664	383.1
PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[250, 100, 50]	0.6767	0.8005	74.68	0.5882	0.5568	0.5721	0.6615	639.07
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	relu tanh	[100, 100, 50] [500, 500, 50]	0.6767 0.6748	$0.7996 \\ 0.799$	74.64 75.93	0.5998 0.5947	0.4929 0.5929	0.5411 0.5938	0.6602 0.6703	159.97 726.37
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 500, 50]	0.673	0.7966	73.96	0.5973	0.5749	0.5859	0.6697	1295.65
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 250, 250]	0.6729	0.794	73.76	0.6064	0.5959	0.6011	0.6786	836.25
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	relu relu	[50, 50, -] [100, 50, -]	$0.671 \\ 0.6708$	0.7981 0.7932	75.27 75.14	0.584 0.5707	0.5673 0.5651	0.5756 0.5679	0.6599 0.6505	432.26 583.72
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 100, 50]	0.6704	0.7932	74.4	0.599	0.5372	0.5664	0.6657	810.11
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, 50, -]	0.6697	0.7927	75.04	0.56	0.541	0.5503	0.6407	161.75
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{SGD} \\ \operatorname{Adam} \end{array} $	relu tanh	[100, 50, 50] [500, 250, 50]	$0.6696 \\ 0.6691$	0.797 0.7966	$74.92 \\ 74.67$	0.5833 0.6011	0.553 0.5862	$0.5678 \\ 0.5935$	$0.6578 \\ 0.6737$	494.08 764.32
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 250, 50]	0.6689	0.7968	75.45	0.5827	0.5621	0.5955 0.5722	0.6584	712.82
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 250, -]	0.6673	0.796	74.55	0.6018	0.5673	0.584	0.6716	1160.42
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	relu	[100, 100, 100]	0.6661	0.7933	74.06	0.5867	0.5756	0.5811	0.6627	686.74
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	$_{ m tanh}$	[500, 250, -] [100, 100, 100]	0.6657 0.6656	$0.7898 \\ 0.7921$	$76.67 \\ 74.25$	0.5843 0.5873	$0.5425 \\ 0.5719$	$0.5626 \\ 0.5795$	$0.6572 \\ 0.6627$	1068.04 764.41
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[50, 50, 50]	0.6655	0.7913	73.14	0.5826	0.5809	0.5818	0.6606	190.87
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[50, 50, -]	0.665	0.7927	73.82	0.5687	0.5229	0.5449	0.645	386.55
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam SGD	tanh relu	[250, 100, -] [100, 100, 50]	$0.6641 \\ 0.6635$	0.7907 0.7998	73.35 73.89	0.5932 0.5994	0.541 0.5809	$0.5659 \\ 0.59$	0.6627 0.6719	905.42 676.15
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 250, 250]	0.6633	0.7923	74.53	0.5917	0.5779	0.5847	0.6664	935.49
PV-DBOW	Adam	relu	[100, 50, 50]	0.6615	0.7899	70.95	0.5711	0.6072	0.5886	0.655	160.35
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh tanh	[500, 500, 250] [500, 100, -]	0.6614 0.6611	$0.7936 \\ 0.783$	74.14 73.24	0.6085 0.5685	0.5719 0.5591	$0.5896 \\ 0.5637$	0.6765 0.6483	873.68 888.85
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	100, 100, -	0.6609	0.7917	74.31	0.5969	0.5214	0.5566	0.6624	1306.94
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 250, 50]	0.6607	0.7914	73.87	0.586	0.5335	0.5585	0.6572	880.54
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh tanh	[500, 50, -] [250, 250, 100]	0.6588 0.6588	0.7872 0.7905	73.37 73.31	0.5839 0.5886	0.5523 0.5448	0.5677 0.5658	0.6581 0.6602	953.45 881.99
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 100, 50]	0.6586	0.7934	74.55	0.5929	0.5786	0.5857	0.6673	678.64
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 500, 500]	0.6576	0.7848	73.9	0.6056	0.5719	0.5882	0.6746	1325.17
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh tanh	[500, 500, -] [250, 100, 100]	0.6567 0.6567	0.7841 0.7816	72.29 72.83	$0.575 \\ 0.556$	$0.5681 \\ 0.5673$	0.5715 0.5616	0.6538 0.6401	1076.54 703.61
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[250, 50, 50]	0.6551	0.7845	73.46	0.5917	0.5606	0.5757	0.6642	843.5
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	$_{ m tanh}$	[100, 100, 50]	0.6537	$0.7766 \\ 0.7844$	72.16 72.16	$0.5758 \\ 0.5842$	$0.5546 \\ 0.5561$	$0.565 \\ 0.5698$	0.6529 0.6587	861.98 258.01
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	100, 50, - 250, 50, -	0.6537 0.6497	0.7844	73.01	0.5789	0.5301	0.5593	0.6535	258.91 1086.33
PV-DBOW	Adam	tanh	[500, 50, 50]	0.6494	0.7765	72.93	0.5772	0.5342	0.5549	0.6517	728.79
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	Adam Adam	tanh	[100, 50, 50] [50, 50, 50]	0.6445 0.6403	0.7727 0.7722	$71.17 \\ 71.21$	0.5549 0.576	$0.5666 \\ 0.5561$	$0.5607 \\ 0.5658$	0.6391	229.08
PV-DBOW	SGD	tanh logistic	[100, 50, -]	0.5868	0.7112	66.37	0.570	0.5501	0.5058	0.6532 0.5936	240.61 155.98
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 50, -]	0.5815	0.7143	65.25	0	0	0	0.5936	233.43
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic	[250, 250, -] [250, 250, 250]	0.5815 0.5812	$0.7202 \\ 0.7164$	66 64.96	0	0	0	0.5936 0.5936	185.18 279.43
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic logistic	[500, 250, -]	0.575	0.7099	64.84	0	0	0	0.5936	185.65
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 250, 250]	0.5668	0.6978	63.67	0	0	0	0.5936	232.46
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[250, 50, -] [50, 50, 50]	$0.5641 \\ 0.5597$	0.699 0.6841	63.22 61.86	0	0	0 0	0.5936 0.5936	175.06 145.48
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, 500]	0.5592	0.6933	63.31	0	0	0	0.5936	255.18
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 100, 100]	0.5556	0.6884	62.08	0	0	0	0.5936	188.33
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 100, -] [500, 500, 250]	0.5549 0.5502	0.6852 0.6841	62.92 61.1	0	0	0 0	0.5936 0.5936	229.09 228.38
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 250, 50]	0.5302 0.5492	0.6778	62.2	0	0	0	0.5936	180.28
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, -]	0.5468	0.675	62.26	0	0	0	0.5936	219.43
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[250, 50, 50] [500, 500, 50]	0.5447 0.542	0.669 0.6716	60.49 62.11	0	0	0 0	0.5936 0.5936	170.71 201.66
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[100, 100, -]	0.542 0.5372	0.6669	59.71	0	0	0	0.5936	152.96
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 250, 50]	0.5359	0.6736	58.91	0	0	0	0.5936	190.89
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic	[250, 100, 100] [50, 50, -]	$0.5346 \\ 0.5326$	$0.6725 \\ 0.6675$	60.44 60.02	0	0	0	$0.5936 \\ 0.5936$	176.08 148.01
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic logistic	[100, 100, 100]	0.5326 0.5253	0.6518	57.63	0	0	0	0.5936	152.43
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 50, 50]	0.5234	0.662	56.69	0	0	0	0.5936	228.94
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[500, 500, 100]	0.5196	0.6495	58.16	0	0	0	0.5936	216.98
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$_{ m SGD}$	logistic logistic	[250, 250, 100] [500, 100, 50]	$0.5162 \\ 0.5111$	0.6514 0.6458	$57.24 \\ 56.55$	0	0	0 0	$0.5936 \\ 0.5936$	218.35 232.01
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[100, 100, 50]	0.5018	0.6349	55.44	0	0	0	0.5936	156.15
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	$ \frac{\text{SGD}}{\text{SGD}} $	logistic logistic	[500, 250, 100] [100, 50, 50]	0.4927 0.4752	$0.6252 \\ 0.6062$	54.11 51.15	0	0	0 0	0.5936 0.5936	192.67 143.89
PV-DBOW PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, 50]	0.4752 0.4724	0.6046	51.15 51.24	0	0	0	0.5936	143.89 171.7
PV-DBOW	SGD	logistic	[250, 100, -]	0.4675	0.5858	49.18	0	0	0	0.5936	157.22

Experiments using (q, c, avg_com_q) inputs – All results.

Appendix D

Further experiments with Syntactic & Metadata features

Category Solver Activation Hidden Layer MAP AvgRec MRR P R F_1 Acc Runtime(sec)

Table 9: Experiments using $(q, c, avg_com_q, ft_{(q,c)})$ inputs – All results.

 ${\bf Category \ \ Solver \ \ Activation \ \ Hidden \ Layer \ \ MAP \ \ AvgRec \ \ MRR \ \ P \ \ R \ \ F_1 \ \ Acc \ \ Runtime(sec)}$

Experiments using $(q, c, avg_com_q, ft_{(q,c)})$ inputs – All results.

 ${\it Category \ \, Solver \ \, \, Activation \ \, Hidden \, Layer \ \, MAP \ \, \, AvgRec \ \, MRR \ \, P \ \, R \ \, \, F_1 \ \, \, Acc \ \, \, Runtime(sec) }$

Experiments using $(q, c, avg_com_q, ft_{(q,c)})$ inputs – All results.

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