

Benchmarking Entity Linking for Question Answering over Knowledge Graphs

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Introduction

Entity Linking

Def: Link parts of a Natural Language passage to it's corresponding node in a Knowledge Graph. Usually comprises:

- Recognize the entity mention in the text.
- Disambiguate the mention.

Motivation

- Asses the impact of Entity Linking on a Question Answering task over a KG.
- Actual collections for QA are easy for Entity Linking.

Outcomes

Our main contributions are:

- QA Datasets characterization
- Semi-automatic method to generate EL dataset.
- Release large benchmark dataset and baseline for EL in QA.

Experiments

Datasets

- QALD {1-4} (Unger et al. 2014) ≤ 200 QA pairs each
- LC-QuAD (Trivedi et al. 2017) 5K QA pairs

Example

Q: List all episodes of the first season of the HBO television series
The Sopranos



EL: *http://dbpedia.org/resource/The_Sopranos*

Difficulty

- Given the Question, how easy is the Entity Linking?

Cases	QALD-1	QALD-2	QALD-3	QALD-4
Total	15	84	89	202
Identical to DBP uri	73.33	85.71	84.27	79.21
Missing tokens		4.76	5.62	9.9
Additional tokens	20.0	1.19	1.12	0.5
Lexical variation	6.67	5.95	5.62	8.42
Other		2.38	3.37	1.98

Objective: Complex dataset for Entity Linking

Strategy

1. Develop baseline to detect as much mentions as possible
2. Remove items from collection

Baselines

- Trigram based mention detection
- Distance based mention detection

Results

Released Datasets

- **QALD-{1-4}-EL**: QALD-X version for $EL \leq 45$ samples each.
- **LC-QuAD-EL**: LC-QuAD version for $EL \leq 1.3K$ samples.
- **C-EL4QA**: Compilation of EL versions $\leq 1.5K$ samples.

Baseline removed 70% of the dataset in the worst case!

Discussion

Research Questions

- If Entity Linking were more difficult, how QA system would perform?
- Datasets should be created more carefully.

Questions?

References

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