Learning Better Monolingual Models from Bilingual Data

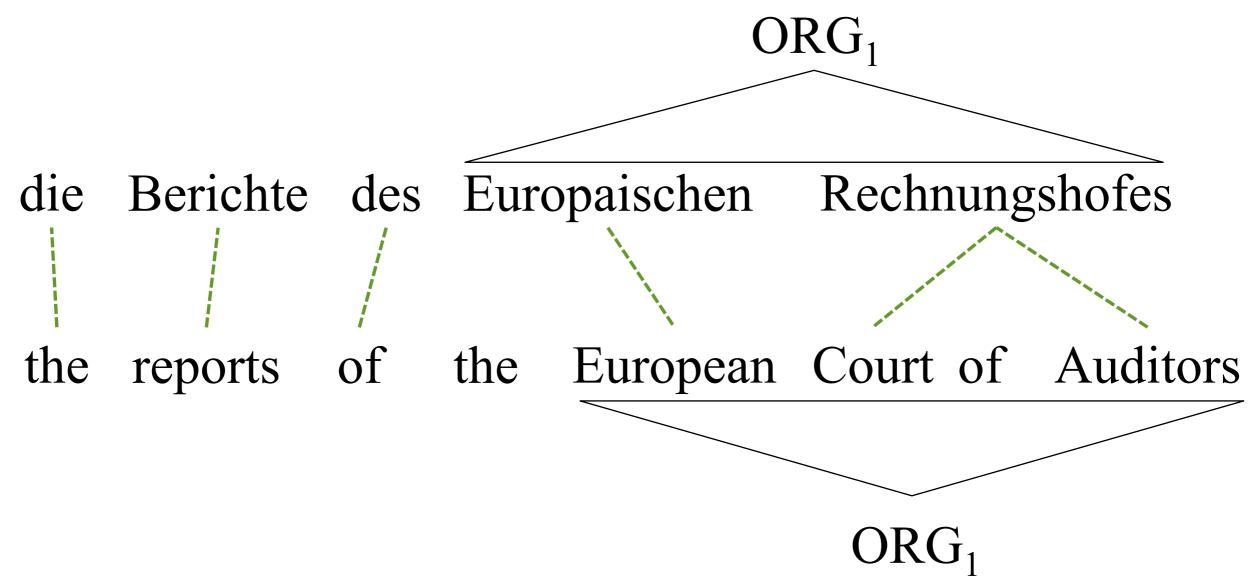


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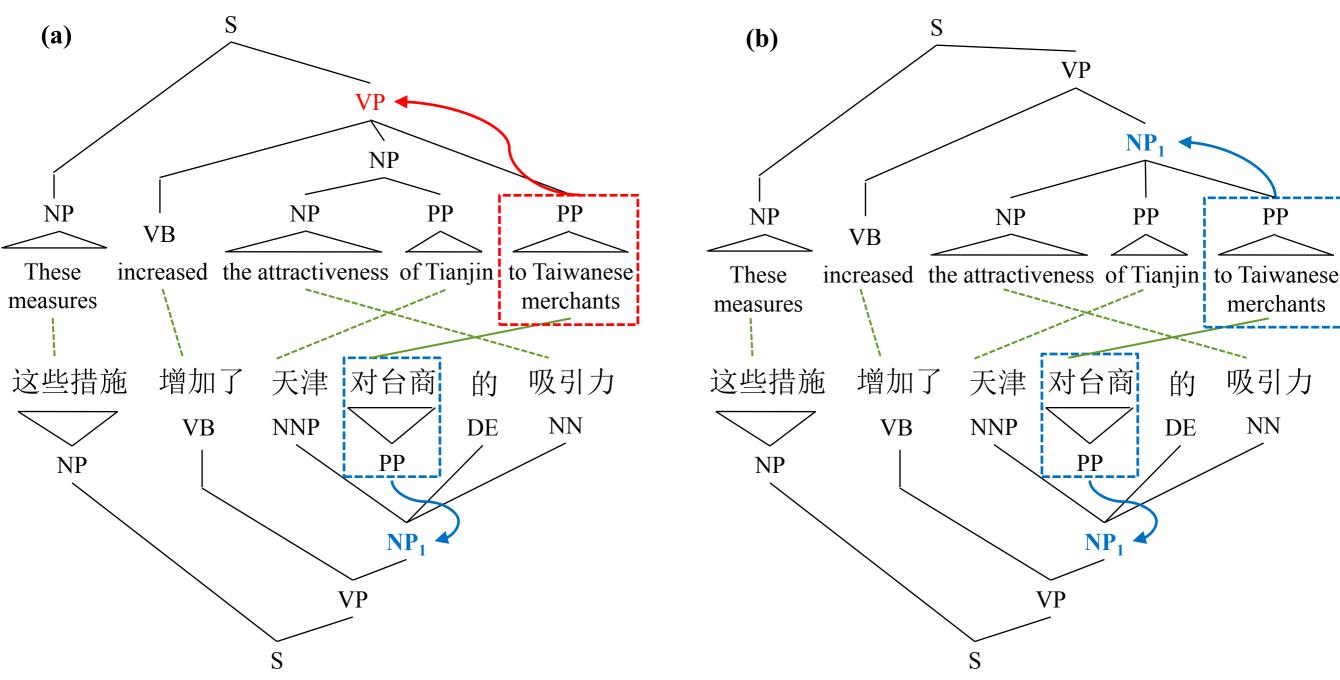
Improving Named Entity Recognition (NER)



English parallel text can improve German NER



Improving Syntactic Parsing



Chinese parallel text can improve English PP attachment



Improving Web Search





Han Feizi - China culture

Han Fei, Li Si, Xunzi Han Feizi, Han Fei, Confucianism General (but short) introduction to Han Feizi

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Han Feizi (book) - Wikipedia

The **Han Feizi** is a work written by **Han Feizi** at the end of the Warring States Period

On topic, but missing some information

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www.hawickert.de/HanFeizi.htm

A much more complete description of Han Feizi's work, with excerpts

韩非子 百度百科

是中国古代著名的哲学家、思想家,政论家和散文家,法家思想的集大成者,后世称"韩子"或"韩非子"。

Very complete biography of Han Feizi

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The complete works of Han Feizi



Part 1: Sentence-Level Models

Input: Original Monolingual Models

Bilingual Data

Output: Bilingual Model

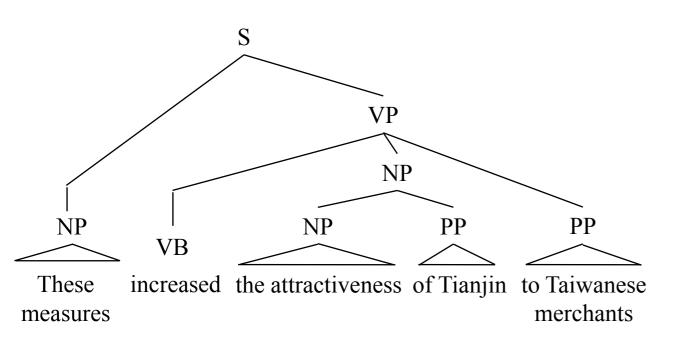
Improved Monolingual Models

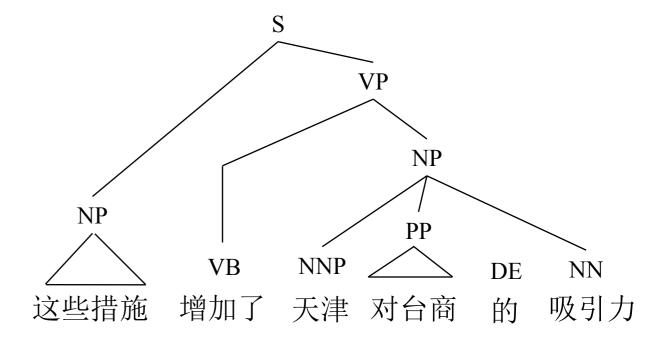
Multi-view Training

- (1) Label bilingual data with original monolingual models
- (2) Train bilingual model on the output of the monolingual models
- (3) Combine bilingual and monolingual models
- (4) Retrain improved monolingual models on combined output



Some Notation





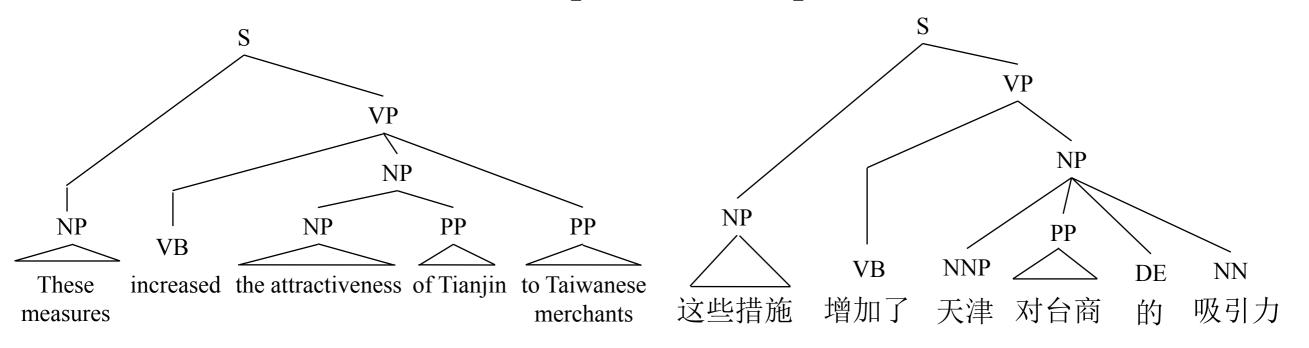
$$x = (x_1, x_2)$$

$$y = (y_1, y_2)$$



Bilingual label-label alignments

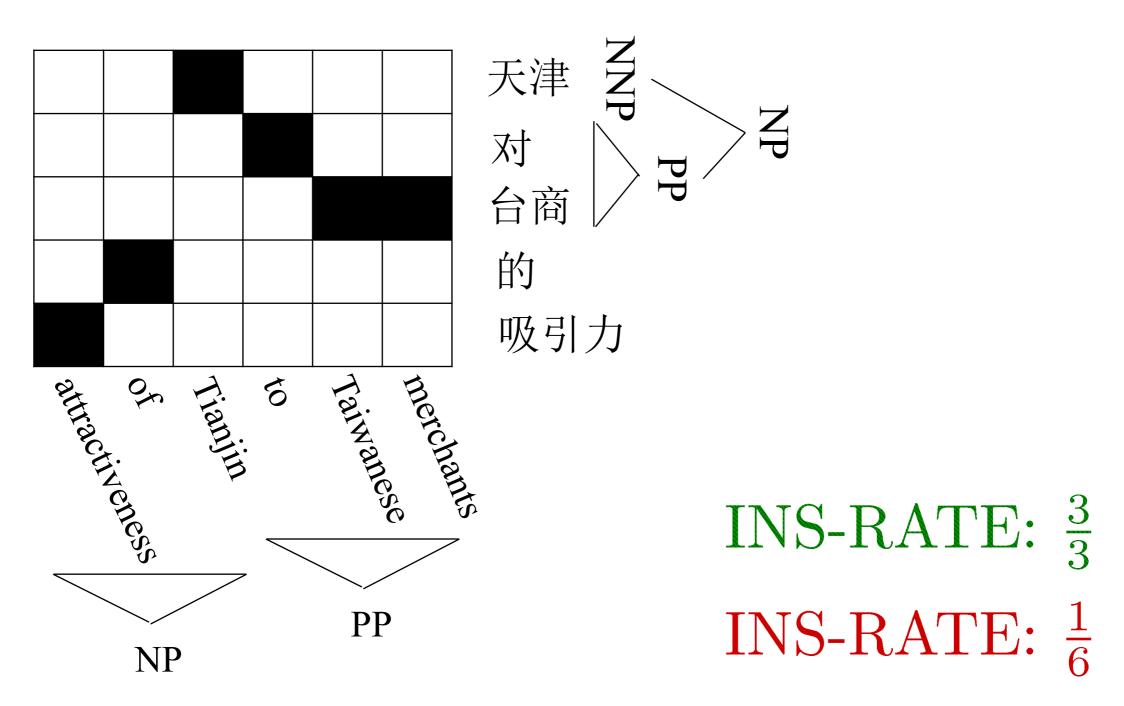
We want features that generalize (i.e. only use pairs of nodes in each tree) But we don't know how label pieces correspond



$$p_{\theta}(y|x) = \sum_{a} p_{\theta}(y, a|x) \qquad q_{\theta}(y|x) = \max_{a} p_{\theta}(y, a|x)$$
$$p_{\theta}(y, a|x) = \exp \left[\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\phi}(y_1, a, y_2) - A(\boldsymbol{\theta}; x) \right]$$



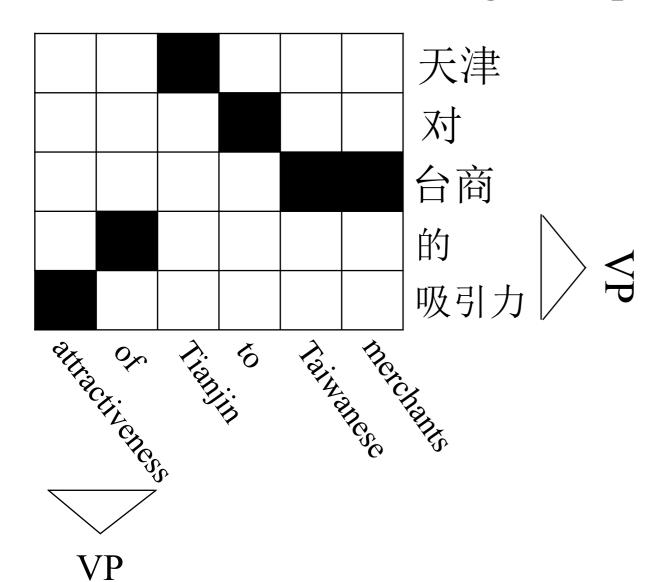
Bilingual Training: Inside Ratio Feature





Monolingual Features in the Bilingual Model

We need some monolingual input for accurate modeling



But we can't include the full monolingual models as features

We include weakened versions of the monolingual models

$$q_{\lambda_1,\lambda_2,\boldsymbol{\theta}}(y|x) \stackrel{def}{=} \max_a \exp\left[\lambda_1 \ell_1^W + \lambda_2 \ell_2^W + \boldsymbol{\theta}^\top \boldsymbol{\phi}(y_1,a,y_2) - A(\lambda_1,\lambda_2,\boldsymbol{\theta};x)\right].$$

Final Training Procedure

Input: full and weakened monolingual models: $p_1^F(y_1|x_1)\text{, }p_2^F(y_2|x_2)\text{, }p_1^W(y_1|x_1)\text{, }p_2^W(y_2|x_2)$

unannotated bilingual data

Output: bilingual parameters: $\hat{m{ heta}}, \hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2$

1. Label U with full monolingual models:

$$\forall x \in U, \ \hat{y}_M = \operatorname{argmax}_y p_1(y_1|x_1) p_2(y_2|x_2).$$

2. Return $\operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda_1,\lambda_2,\boldsymbol{\theta}} \prod_{x \in U} q_{\boldsymbol{\theta},\lambda_1,\lambda_2} (\hat{y}_M | x)$

Combining Mono and Bilingual Models

How to do prediction? 3 Choices:

1) Bilingual model only:

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \max_{a} \exp \left[\lambda_{1} \ell_{1}^{W} + \lambda_{2} \ell_{2}^{W} + \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\phi}(y_{1}, a, y_{2}) - A(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; x) \right]$$

2) Uniform combination:

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \max_{a} \exp \left[\ell_1^F + \ell_2^F + \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\phi}(y_1, a, y_2) - A(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \boldsymbol{\theta}; x) \right]$$

3) Replace weakened with full monolingual model:

$$\underset{y}{\operatorname{argmax}} \max_{a} \exp \left[\lambda_{1} \ell_{1}^{F} + \lambda_{2} \ell_{2}^{F} + \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\top} \boldsymbol{\phi}(y_{1}, a, y_{2}) - A(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; x) \right]$$



Parsing Data and Setup

- Labeled Data: Penn Treebank and Chinese Treebank
- Parser: Berkeley Parser (State-split, latent variable parser)
- Weakened Models: 3 iters of state splitting (5 for full model)
- Unlabeled Data: Parallel portion of Chinese treebank
- Testing Data: Parallel portion of Chinese treebank
- Bilingual Features: Burkett & Klein (2008)



Parsing Results – Chinese & English

Model	Chinese F1	English F1		
Monolingual Baselines				
Weakened Monolingual	78.3	67.6		
Full Monolingual	84.2	75.4		
Bilingual Models				
Bilingual only	80.4	70.8		
Bilingual + Monolingual	85.9	77.5		
Retrained Monolingual Models				
Self-Retrained	83.6	76.7		
Bilingual Retrained	83.9	77.4		



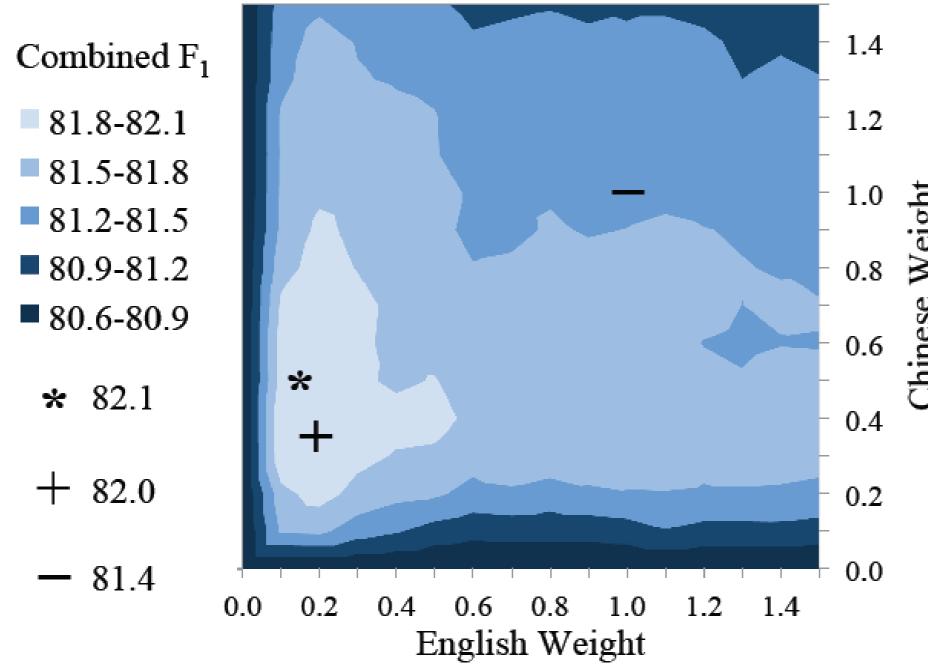
Syntactic MT Rule Extraction

- Unlabeled Data: 100,000 parallel Chinese-English sentences
- Testing Data: 1-reference test set from the same domain

Model	BLEU			
Phrase-based				
Moses	18.8			
	Syntactic (Galley et al. 2006) Models			
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Comparing Prediction Methods





Part 2: Bilingual Web Search Ranking

Input: Bilingual query log, documents

Click-through statistics for each query-document pair

Output: Improved Ranking Model for Bilingual Queries

Training

- (1) Create a bilingual ranking problem, where instances consist of pairs of similar web pages (one from each language)
- (2) Train a ranking model that exploits bilingual and monolingual features

Prediction: Reconstruct monolingual ranking from bilingual ranking

We never need to show machine-translated pages to an end user!



Creating training data: From clickthrough rates to rankings

Input: Query pair, documents, & clickthroughs for each language

Bilingual query pair (Mazda, 马自达)			e1>e2	
doc	URL	Aggr. click #		e1>e3
e1	www.mazda.com	229		e2>e3
e2	www.mazdausa.com	185		e2>e4
e3	www.mazda.co.uk	5		•••
e4	www.starmazda.com	2		e4>e5
e5	www.mazdamotorsports.com	2		
	•••••			
c1	www.faw-mazda.com	50		c1>c2
c2	price.pcauto.com.cn/brand.jsp?bid=17	43		c1>c3
c3	auto.sina.com.cn/salon/FORD/MAZDA.shtm	20		•••
c4	car.autohome.com.cn/brand/119/	18		c2>c3
c5	jsp.auto.sohu.com/view/brand-bid-263.html	9		c2>c4
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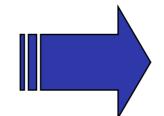


From monolingual to bilingual rankings

2 natural conditions for constructing a bilingual ranking from monolingual rankings

$$\left(e_i^{(1)}, c_j^{(1)}\right) \succ \left(e_i^{(2)}, c_j^{(2)}\right) \text{ if and only if }$$

$$e_i^{(1)} > e_i^{(2)} \text{ and } c_j^{(1)} \geq c_j^{(2)}$$
 or
$$e_j^{(1)} > e_j^{(2)} \text{ and } c_i^{(1)} \geq c_i^{(2)}$$



$$(e1,c1) > (e1,c2), (e1,c1) > (e2,c1)$$

 $(e1,c2) > (e1,c3), (e1,c2) > (e2,c2)$

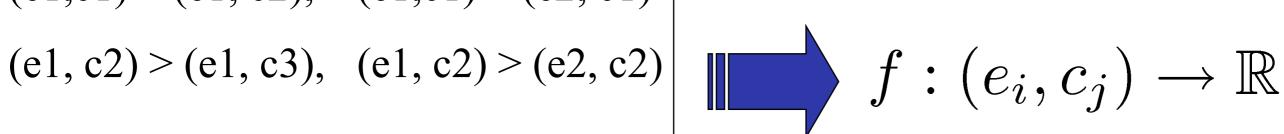
$$(e2, c3) > (e2, c4), (e2, c3) > (e3, c3)$$

Learning a bilingual ranking function

Training data

$$(e1, c2) > (e1, c3), (e1, c2) > (e2, c2)$$

$$(e2, c3) > (e2, c4), (e2, c3) > (e3, c3)$$



$$f:(e_i,c_j)\to\mathbb{R}$$

Score given by f allows us to reproduce the ranking

$$(e_i^1, c_j^1) \succ (e_i^2, c_j^2) \leftrightarrow f(e_i^1, c_j^1) > f(e_i^2, c_j^2)$$

We learn a linear function with RankSVM (Herbrich et al. 2000)



Features

Monolingual Features

- BM 25 features
- language model ranking, pseudo-relevance feedback, etc.
- PageRank (Brin and Page 1998) & HITS (Kleinberg 1999)

Bilingual Features

- Dictionary-based cosine similarity
- Machine translation based similarities (forward & backward)
- URL LCS ratio (URL)

www.airbus.com vs. www.airbus.com.cn

Prediction – Construct monolingual ranking

Reconstructing a monolingual ranking is over-constrained

(e1,c1): 0.4 (e1,c2): 0.3

(e2,c1): 0.1 (e2,c2): 0.5

(e3,c1): 0.6 (e3,c2): 0.2

Two heuristics (English):

H-1 (max score)

 $s(e_i) = \max_j f(e_i, c_j)$

e3: 0.6

e2: 0.5

e1: 0.4

H-2 (avg score)

$$s(e_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j} f(e_i, c_j)$$

e3: 0.4

e1: 0.35

e2: 0.3



How many queries are bilingual?

Examples of local (monolingual) queries

English: Map of Alabama

阿拉巴马地图

Chinese: 长虹电视机

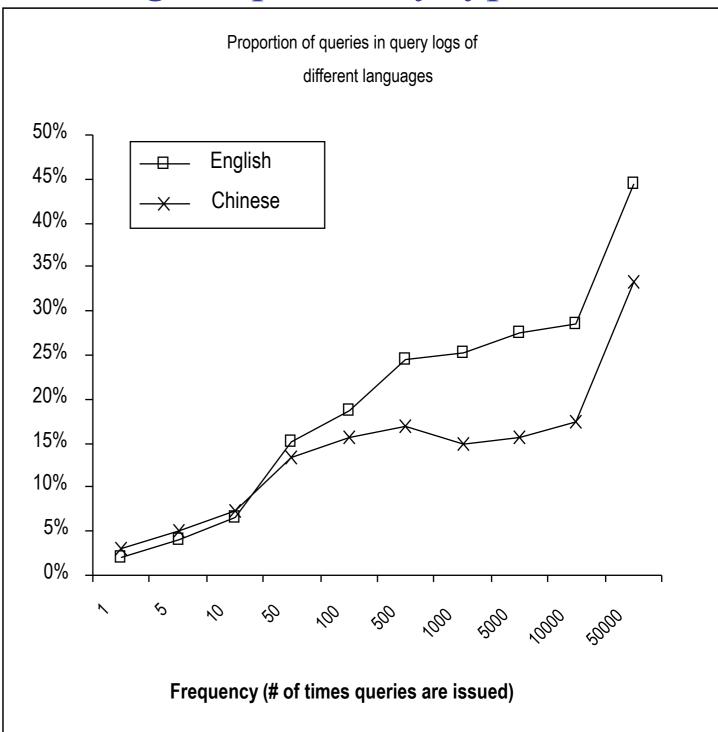
Changhong TV set

Statistics – Bilingual queries by token

English query log: 1.3%

Chinese query log: 2.3%

Bilingual queries by type





Evaluation Setup

- Query logs: AOL (English) and Sougou (Chinese)
- Total bilingual queries: 1,000 after discarding low click-through documents
- Total document count: 21,000 English, 28,000 Chinese
- Evaluation: Kendall's Tau on heldout click-through



Chinese Ranking Performance

	Pair	H-1 (max)	H-2 (mean)
Monolingual baseline	n/a	0.2935	0.2935
IR (no similarity)	0.3201	0.2938	0.2938
IR+DIC	0.3220	0.2970*	0.2973*
		(p=0.0060)	(p=0.0020)
IR+MT	0.3299	0.2992*	0.3008*
		(p=0.0034)	(p=0.0003)
IR+DIC+MT	0.3295	0.2991*	0.3004*
		(p=0.0014)	(p=0.0008)
IR+DIC+MT+URL	0.2979	0.2981*	0.3024*
		(p=0.0005)	(p=1.5e-6)



Top Improved Queries

Most improved CH queries	Most improved EN queries
沙门氏菌 (salmonella)	free online tv (免费在线电视)
苏格兰 (scotland)	weapons (武器)
咖啡因 (caffeine)	lily (百合)
墓志铭 (epitaph)	cable (电缆)
英国历史 (british history)	sunrider (仙妮蕾德)
政治漫画 (political cartoons)	aniston (安妮斯顿)



Conclusions

- Bilingual data is plentiful & covers many domains
- Monolingual models can be improved with bilingual data
- MT is useful as a backend, as well as a goal in itself



Thanks!



NER Data and Setup

- Labeled Data: CoNLL 2003 German and English corpora
- Weakened Models: Obtained by dropping features
- Unlabeled Data: European Parliamentary Proceedings
- Testing Data: Manually annotated parliamentary proceedings and parallel newswire text
- Bilingual Features: Typed and untyped bispan INS-OUT



NER Results – German Parliament

Model	Precision	Recall	F1	
Monolingual Baselines				
Weakened Monolingual	71.3	36.4	48.2	
Full Monolingual	69.4	44.4	54.0	
Bilingual Models				
Bilingual only	70.1	66.3	68.2	
Bilingual + Monolingual	70.1	70.1	70.1	
Retrained Monolingual Models				
Self-Retrained	70.4	44.4	54.2	
Bilingual Retrained	74.5	63.6	68.6	