Entity Linking - Part I

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- Entitly linking needs to handle
 - Name variations (entities are referred to in many different ways)
 - Entity ambiguity (the same string can refer to more than one entity)

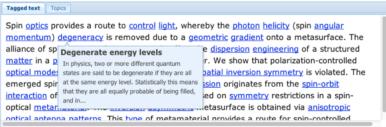
- We will take Wikipedia as the knowledge base to understand the task.
- With Wikipedia as the knowledge base, this task is commonly known as Wikification.

What is Entity Linking?

Input Text I Italiano — English

momentum) degeneracy is removed due to a geometric gradient onto a metasurface. The alliance of spin optics and metamaterials offers the dispersion engineering of a structured matter in a polarization helicity—dependent manner. We show that polarization-controlled optical modes of metamaterials arise where the spatial inversion symmetry is violated. The emerged spin-split dispersion of spontaneous emission originates from the spin-orbit interaction of light, generating a selection rule based on symmetry restrictions in a spin-optical metamaterial. The inversion asymmetric metasurface is obtained via anisotropic optical antenna patterns. This type of metamaterial provides a route for spin-controlled nanophotonic applications based on the design of the metasurface symmetry properties.





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Iranian POW negotiator holds talks with Iraqi ministers

The head of Iran's prisoner of war commission met with two Iraqi Cabinet ministers Saturday in a bid to glean information about thousands of Iranian POWs allegedly in Iraq, the official Iraqi News Agency reported

Iragi Foreign Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf told Abdullah al-Naiafi that the two states needed to "speed up the closure of what remains from the POW and Missing-In-Action file," INA said.

The issue of POWs and missing persons remains a stumbling block to normalizing relations between the two neighbors.

Iraq has long maintained that it has released all Iranian prisoners captured in the 1980-88 Iran-Irag War. The countries accuse each other of hiding POWs and preventing visits by the International Committee of the Red Cross to prisoner camps.

The ICRC representative in Baghdad, Manuel Bessler, told The Associated Press that his organization has had difficulty visiting POWs on both sides on a regular basis.

In April, Iran released 5,584 since 1990

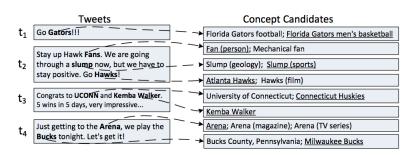
Baghdad

Baghdad is the capital of Iraq and of Baghdad Governorate. With a metropolitan area estimated at a population of More than 1 million people w 7,000,000, it is the largest city in Iraq. It is the second-largest city in the Arab world (after Cairo) and the second-largest city in southwest Asia (after Tehran).

open in wikipedia

fied as civil law detainees in the largest exchange

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Use "context" to disambiguate/filter/improve

disambiguation - DA

Mention Detection (MD)

Q ... degeneracy is removed ...

Link Generation (LG)

🔍 ... degeneracy ...



Disambiguation (DA)

🔾 ... degeneracy ...



Preliminaries: Wikipedia

- Basic element: article (proper)
- But also
 - redirect pages
 - disambiguation pages
 - category/template pages
 - admin pages
- Hyperlinks
 - use "unique identifiers" (URLs)
 - [[United States]] or [[United States|American]]
 - [[United States (TV series)]] or [[United States (TV series)|TV show]]



Preliminaries: Disambiguation Pages

- Senses of an ambiguous phrase
- Short description
- (Possible) categorization
- Non-exhaustive



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- 24M senses

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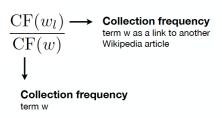
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commonness(w,c)

The fraction of times, a particular sense is used as a destination in Wikipedia.

$$\frac{|L_{w,c}|}{\sum_{c'}|L_{w,c'}|}$$

Number of links

with target c' and anchor text w

Commonness and keyphraseness

Bulgaria national football team

Sense comm	nonness
Germany	0.9417
Germany national football team	0.0139
Nazi Germany	0.0081
German Empire	0.0065

Sense	commonness
FIFA World Cup	0.2358
FIS Alpine Ski World Cup	0.0682
2009 FINA Swimming World	Cup 0.0633
World Cup (men's golf)	0.0622

keyphraseness

The Bulgaria national football team is the national football team of Bulgaria and is cont Sense Bulgarian Football Union Bulgaria's best World Cup performance was in the 1994 World 1998 FIFA World Cup where they beat Germany to reach the semi-finals, losing to Italy, and finishing in fourth 1998 IAAF World Cup 4-0 defeat to Sweden in the third place play-off. Bulgaria's first appearance in a World Cup 1998 Alpine Skiing World Cup 1962 World Cup in Chile, but failed to progress to stages.The Bulgaria draw against Spain (a fantastic Stoite hkov goal was controversially cancelled) and a 1-0 victory against Romania, played well but lost the third and to a very strong France (champion), 1-3. The Bulgarians did not prog Golden Generation hals in the 1998 World Cup Vasil Levski National Stadium e in. However, the "Golden Generation" was history. It has a capacity of 43 634. Vasil Levski National Stadium was officially opened in 1953 and reconstructed in PFC Levski Sofia . During the 2006/2007 UEFA Chelsea F.C. que the stadium was used for the games of FC Levski Sofia with FC Barcelona, Chelsea F.C. and Werder Bremen. The stadium also offers judo, artistic gymnastics, basketball, boxing, aerobics, fencing and table tennis halls, as well as a general physical training hall, two and three restaurants.

commonness

0.9556

0.0296

0.0059

Always the best decision?

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- This can never help you build an accurate system, because you will always give some wrong links.
- Need to use the context.