

The State of the Art Large Language Models for Knowledge Graph Construction from Text: Techniques, Tools, and Challenges

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Agenda



Relation Extraction Task

Relation extraction and related tasks in the literature.



RE Benchmarks

Summary of relation extraction benchmarks.



RE Approches

Methods and approaches for relation extraction focused on LLMs.





Relation Extraction and Related Tasks

Relation Extraction

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

Named Entity Recognition

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

[PERSON] [PLACE]

Relation Extraction

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

per:city_of_birth



(Binary) Relation Extraction

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

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per:city_of_birth
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< Head Entity, Relationship, Tail Entity>

<Subject, Relationship, Object>

Relationship is selected from a set of predefined canonical relations.



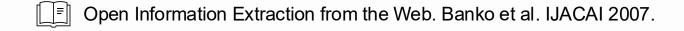
Open Information Extraction (OpenIE)

KGC 2024 took place in New York.



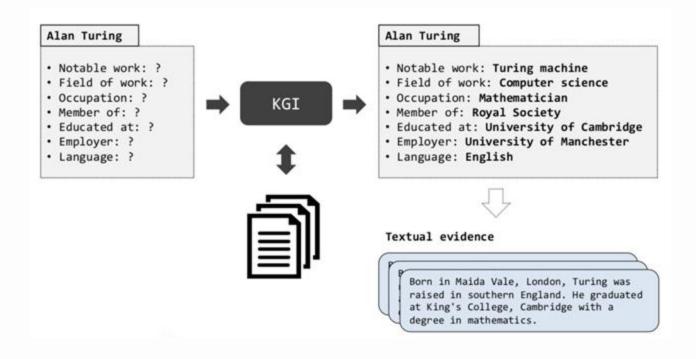
(KGC 2024, took place in, New York)

- Relations are not predefined, automatically discovered in text.
- A large number of sparse and diverse relations
- Need to further steps of clustering, canonicalization, alignment to map to a set of KG relations.





Slot Filling / Knowledge Base Population



- Mapping unstructured data (text) to a structured format (e.g., filling a database or knowledge graph)
- Focus each entity at a time
- Filling predefined slots (attributes) associated with specific entities



Robust Retrieval Augmented Generation for Zero-shot Slot Filling. Glass et al. EMNLP 2021.

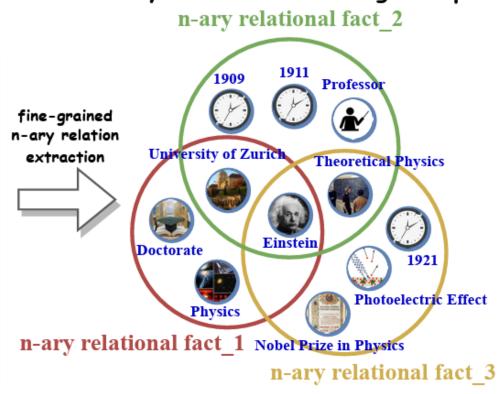


N-ary relation extraction

Natural Language Text

Einstein received his Doctorate degree in Physics from the University of Zurich. From 1909 to 1911, Einstein was Professor for Theoretical Physics at the University of Zurich. Einstein was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1921 for his services to Theoretical Physics, and especially for his discovery of the law of the Photoelectric Effect.

N-ary relational Knowledge Graph

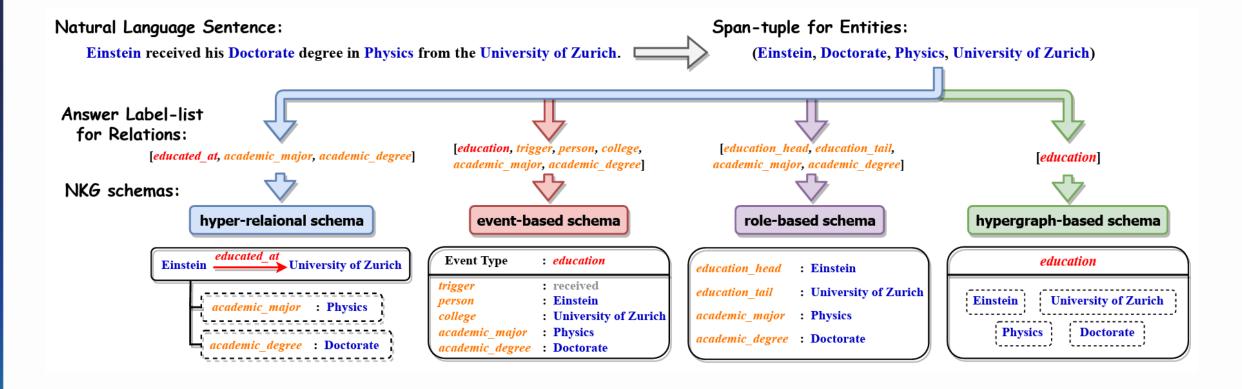




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N-ary relation extraction

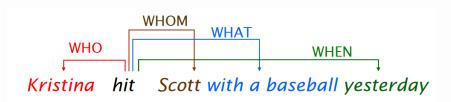




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Semantic Role Labelling Thematic Roles



- Who hit Scott with a baseball?
- Whom did Kristina hit with a baseball?
- What did Kristina hit Scott with?
- When did Kristina hit Scott with a baseball?

Table 1.1: A set of widely recognized Semantic Roles				
Role	Description	Examples		
Agent	Initiator of action, capable of volition	The batter smashed the pitch into left field. The pilot landed the plane as lightly as a feather.		
Patient	Affected by action, under- goes change of state	David trimmed his beard . John broke the window .		
Theme	Entity moving, or being "located"	Paola threw the Frisbee . The pic- ture hangs above the fireplace.		
Experiencer	Perceives action but not in control	He tasted the delicate flavor of the baby lettuce. Chris noticed the cat slip through the partially open door.		
Beneficiary	For whose benefit action is performed	He sliced me a large chunk of prime rib, and I could hardly wait to sit down to start in on it. The Smiths rented an apartment for their son .		
Instrument	Intermediary/means used to perform an action	He shot the wounded buffalo with a rifle. The surgeon performed the incision with a scalpel.		
Location	Place of object or action	There are some real monsters hid- ing in the anxiety closet. The band played on the stage.		
Source	Starting point	The jet took off from Nairobi . We heard the rumor from a friend .		
Goal	Ending point	The ball rolled to the other end of the hall. Laura lectured to the class.		





Semantic Role Labelling - PropBank & AMR

describe.01 - assign a label or attribute

DESCRIBE-V NOTES: Comparison to 'call' attributive sense. Member of VNcls ch DESCRIPTION-N NOTES: Based on nouns00080. Vn class characterize-29.2-1-1.

Aliases:

description (n.) describe (v.)

Roles:

ARG0-PAG: describer

ARG1-PPT: thing described

ARG2-PRD: secondary attribute, described-as

LOC: location

EXT: extent

disaster.

DIS: discourse connectives

ADV: general purpose

NEG: negation marker

MOD: modal verb

CAU: cause

TMP: time

PNC: purpose MNR: manner

DIR: direction

(d / describe-01
 :arg0 (m / man)
 :arg1 (m2 / mission)
 :arg2 (d / disaster))

The man described the mission as a disaster.
The man's description of the mission:
 disaster.

As the man described it, the mission was a



Banarescu, Laura, et al. "Abstract Meaning Representation for Sembanking." 2013.



Sentence-level Relation Extraction

The task of extracting relationships between entities within a single sentence

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

per:city_of_birth



Document-level Relation Extraction

 The task of extracting relationships between entities across an entire document considering the broader context, coreferences, longdistance dependencies, etc.

Reasoning Types	%	Examples		
Pattern recognition	38.9	[1] Me Musical Nephews is a 1942 one-reel animated cartoon directed by Seymour Kneitel and animated by Tom Johnson and George Germanetti. [2] Jack Mercer and Jack Ward wrote the script Relation: publication_date Supporting Evidence: 1		
Logical reasoning	26.6	[1] "Nisei" is the ninth episode of the third season of the American science fiction television series The X-Files [3] It was directed by David Nutter, and written by Chris Carter, Frank Spotnitz and Howard Gordon [8] The show centers on FBI special agents Fox Mulder (David Duchovny) and Dana Scully (Gillian Anderson) who work on cases linked to the paranormal, called X-Files Relation: creator Supporting Evidence: 1, 3, 8		
Coreference reasoning	17.6	[1] Dwight Tillery is an American politician of the Democratic Party who is active in local politics of Cincinnati, Ohio [3] He also holds a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. [4] Tillery served as mayor of Cincinnati from 1991 to 1993. Relation: educated_at Supporting Evidence: 1, 3		
Common-sense reasoning	16.6	[1] William Busac (1020-1076), son of William I, Count of Eu, and his wife Lesceline [4] William appealed to King Henry I of France, who gave him in marriage Adelaide, the heiress of the county of Soissons. [5] Adelaide was daughter of Renaud I, Count of Soissons, and Grand Master of the Hotel de France [7] William and Adelaide had four children: Relation: spouse Supporting Evidence: 4, 7		



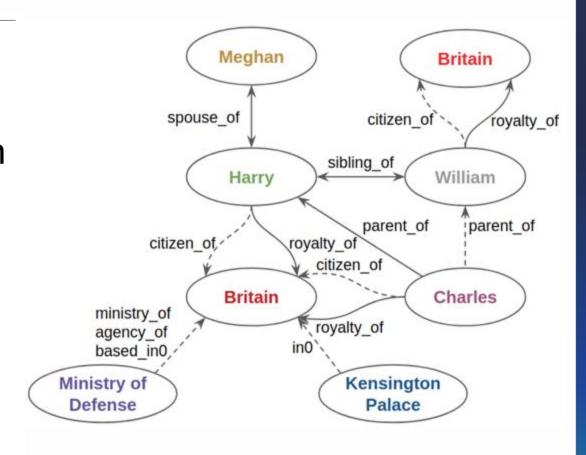
DocRED: A Large-Scale Document-Level Relation Extraction Dataset. Yao et al. ACL 2019.



Sentences from the Document Corpus

Some additional steps are required

- Entity clustering / canonicalization
- Entity resolution
- Entity linking
 - (adding new entities if necessary)
- Schema matching
- Relation linking





DWIE: An entity-centric dataset for multi-task document-level information extraction. Klim Zaporojets, Johannes Deleu, Chris Develder, Thomas Demeester. Information Processing and Management 2021.





Relation Extraction Benchmarks

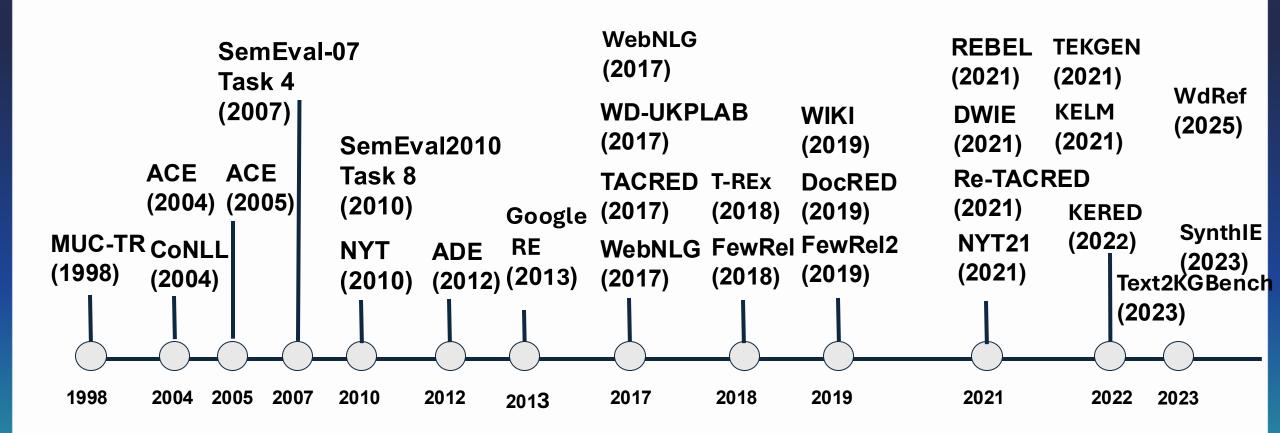
Relation Extraction Benchmarks

Corpus Name	General	Specific	Multi-lingual	Relation	Train/Test	Leaderboard
NYT [125]	V			24	5.6 k/5 k	✓ 3
WebNLG [51]	~			171	5019/703	V
WikiReading* [64]	~			884	14.85 M/3.73 M	V
WIKI-TIME [197]	~			57	97.6 k/40 k	
SciERC [97]		Scientific		7	2,136/551	~
FOBIE [81]		Scientific		3	1,238/300	V
DialogRE [211]	V			37	6 k/1.9 k	~
FewRel 2.0 [50]		Medical		100+25	56 k/14 k	✓ 4
ChemProt [115]		Biochemical		14	19.5 k/16.9 k	~
DDI [63]		Biochemical		5	25.3 k/5.7 k	V
DocRED* [204]	~			96	4 k/1 k	V
CUAD [62]		Legal		25	10.48 k/2.62 k	V
FinRED [138]		Finance		29	5,699/1,068	V
SMiLER [135]	~		✓	36	733 k/15 k	
mLAMA [80]	~		✓	5	_	
ACE 2023 [41]	~		✓	24	100 k/50 k	V
ACE 2024 [41]	V		V	24	300 k/50 k	V



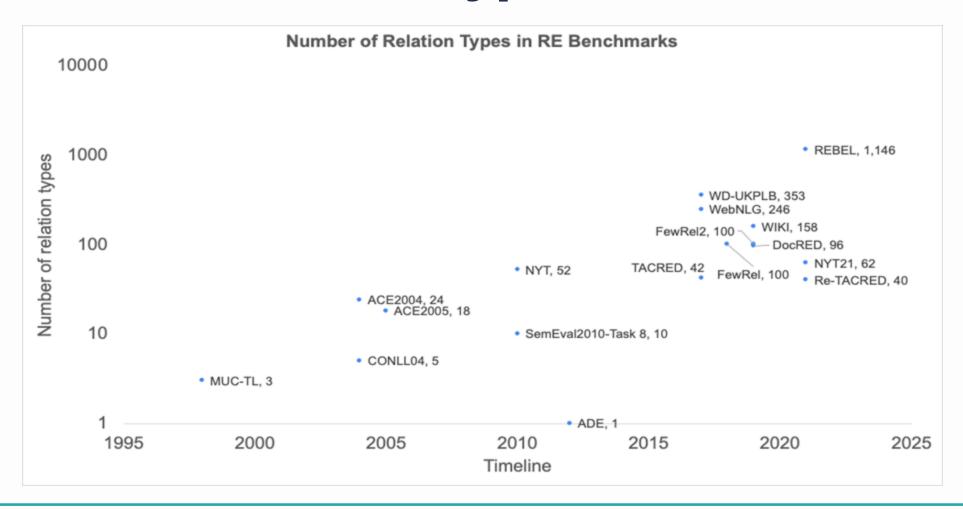


Relation Extraction Benchmarks





Number of relation types in benchmarks





Automatic Content Extraction (ACE)

- Entity Detection and Tracking (EDT)
- Relation Detection and Characterization (RDC)

	ACE 2003			ACE 2004	
Туре	Subtype	Count	Type	Subtype	Count
AT	based-in	496	PHYS	LOCATED	745
	located	2879	1	NEAR	87
	residence	395	1	PART-WHOLE	384
NEAR	relative-location	288	PER-SOC	BUSINESS	179
PART	other	6]	FAMILY	130
	part-of	1178	1	OTHER	56
	subsidiary	366	EMP-ORG	EMPLOY-EXEC	503
ROLE	affiliate-partner	219	1	EMPLOY-STAFF	554
	citizen-of	450	1	EMPLOY-undetermined	79
	client	159	1	MEMBER-OF-GROUP	192
	founder	37	1	SUBSIDIARY	209
	general-staff	1507	1	PARTNER	12
	management	1559		OTHER	82
	member	1404	ART	USER/OWNER	200
	other	174	1	INVENTOR/MANUFACTURER	9
	owner	274]	OTHER	3
SOCIAL	associate	119	OTHER-	ETHNIC	39
	grandparent	10	AFF	IDEOLOGY	49
	other-personal	108	1	OTHER	54
	other-professional	415	GPE-AFF	CITIZEN/RESIDENT	273
	other-relative	86]	BASED-IN	216
	parent	149]	OTHER	40
	sibling	23	DISC	DISC	279
	spouse	89		-	





REBEL

- Wikipedia abstracts as text
- Entity spans are extracted using hyperlinks
- All relations and values from Wikidata for those entities
- A Natural Language Inference (NLI) model used to check for entailment



≡ This Must Be the Place (Naive Melody)

Article Tall

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"This Must Be the Place (Naive Melody)" is a song by new wave band Talking Heads. The closing track of their fifth studio album *Speaking in Tongues*.

"This Must Be the Place" is a song by new wave band Talking Heads, released in November 1983 as the second single from its fifth album "Speaking in Tongues"

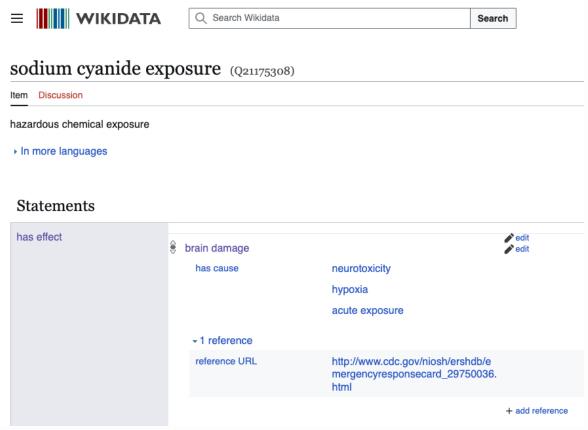
(This Must Be the Place, performer, Talking Heads)
(Talking Heads, genre, new wave)
(This Must Be the Place, part of, Speaking in Tongues)
(Speaking in Tongues, performer, Talking Heads)

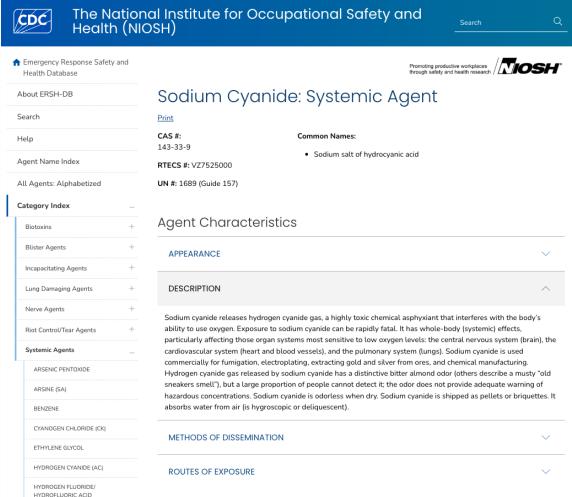


REBEL: Relation extraction by end-to-end language generation. Cabot and Navigli. EMNLP 2021.



Wikidata Ref Bench





https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q21175308

https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/ershdb/emergencyresponsecard_29750036.html



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Wikidata Ref Bench

Triple – Reference Pair

Reference:

http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/ershdb/emergencyresponse card 29750036.html

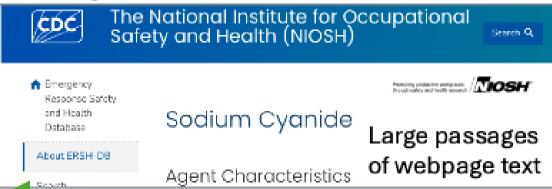
subject: sodium cyanide exposure (Q21175308)

relation: has effect (P1542)

object: brain damage (Q720026)



Web Page Content



Text entailment validation

Validation:

Fluent Sentences(s): TRUE

Subject mentioned in text: TRUE Relation mentioned in text: TRUE Object mentioned in text: TRUE Fact entailed by text: TRUE

ext: TRUE LLM Output

Aligned text span extraction

Selected Text: Survivors of severe sodium cyanide exposures may suffer brain damage due to a direct effect of the poison on nerve cells, or to a lack of oxygen, or possibly due to insufficient blood circulation.

LLM Output





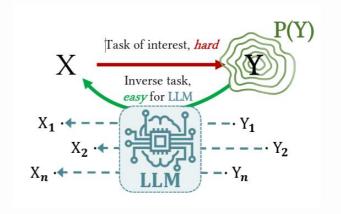
Wikidata Ref Bench - diversity of sources

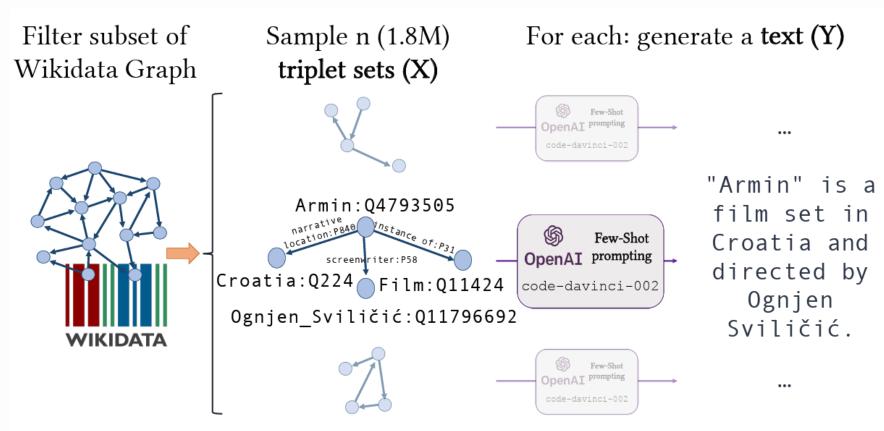
Subject	relation	Object	Source	Sentence
open-angle glaucoma	drug or therapy used for treatment	dipivefrin	bioportal.bi oontology .org	Dipivefrin is used as initial therapy for the control of intraocular pressure in chronic open-angle glaucoma.
XPO, Inc.	chief executive officer	Mario Harik	www.cio.co m	As XPO's first CIO, Mario Harik played a key role in making the logistics company an industry leader and innovation powerhouse. Harik, now having become CEO and a member of the board last August, leading the the company in its next phase.
MIMIC	funding scheme	AHRC Research Gran	gtr.ukri.org	"Musically Intelligent Machines Interacting Creatively" (MIMIC) is a three year AHRC-funded project, run by teams at Goldsmiths College, Durham University and the University of Sussex.
Erlend Berg	academic thesis	The financial lives of the poor	etheses.lse. ac.uk	Berg, Erlend (2009) The financial lives of the poor. PhD thesis, London School of Economics and Political Science.





SynthIE





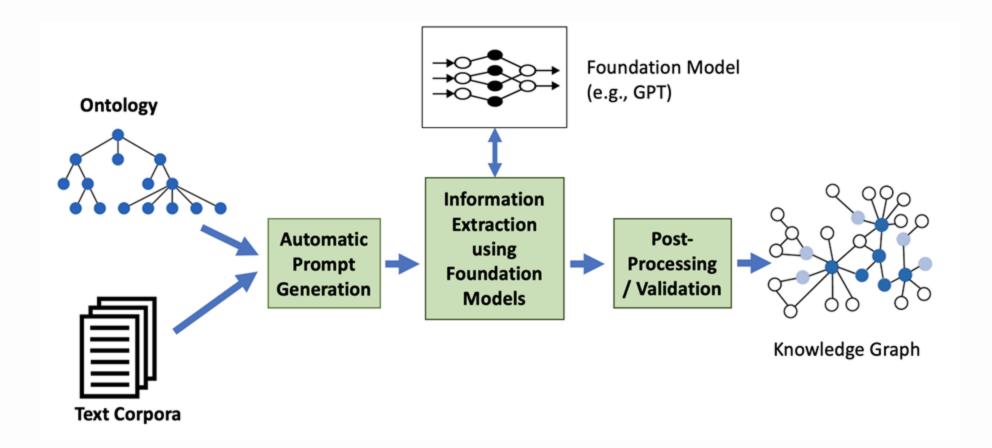




- Inputs
 - An ontology
 - A set of sentences
- Outputs
 - Triples aligned with each sentence(s) of text conforming to the ontology







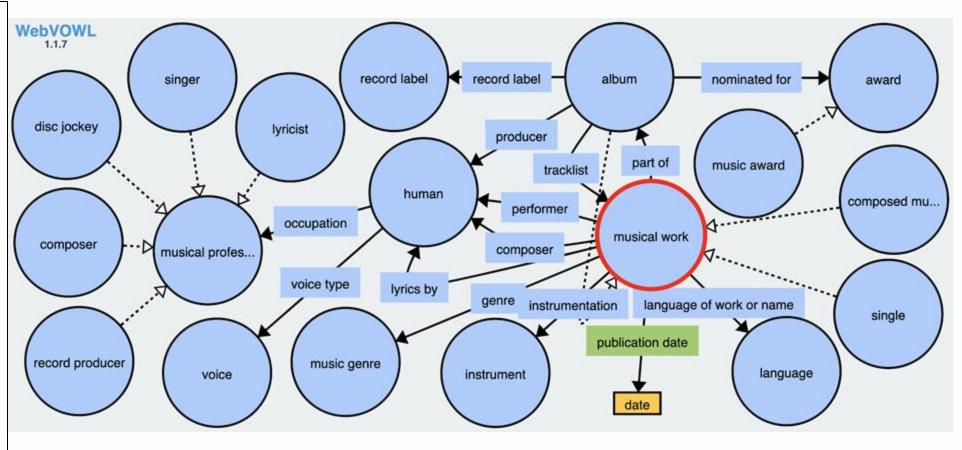




WIKIDATA

A smaller domain ontologies from Wikidata

- Music
- Movie
- Sport
- Book
- Military
- Computer
- Space
- Politics
- Nature
- Culture







Aligned sentence selection

- For each ontology, a subset of triple-sentence pairs chosen based on the relations / classes of the ontology
- TekGen corpus provides Wikipedia sentences aligned to Wikidata triples (16M aligned triple-sentence pairs with 663 Wikidata relations)

The Lion King is an animated musical drama film directed by Roger Allers and Rob Minkoff, produced by Don Hahn.



director ("Lion King", "Roger Allers")
director ("Lion King", "Rob Minkoff")
producer ("Lion King", "Don Hah")





- Unseen sentence generation
 - Language models have seen these sentence during pre-training
 - There is a possibility of data leakage in training data
 - Will the results differ significantly on totally unseen sentences?

John Doe starred in the film The Fake Movie that was released in 2025.



cast member ("The Fake Movie", "John Doe") publication date ("The Fake Movie", 2025)





- The baseline uses in-context learning
- Best examples are selected using sentence similarity (SBERT) from training data
- Other approaches to use training data to improve
 - For fine-tuning/instructiontuning the models
 - For prompt-tuning the models
- Other improvements
 - Ontology verbalization
 - Self-reflection / critique
 - Chain-of-thought
 - Constrained beam search

Given the following ontology, examples and sentences, please extract the triples from the sentence according to the relations in the ontology. In the output, only include the triples in the given output format.

Instruction

CONTEXT:

Ontology Concepts: human, city, country, film, film genre, film production company, film award, award, written work, film character, film organization

Ontology Relations: cast_member(film,human), director (film,human), screenwriter (film,human), producer(film,human), genre(film,genre), based_on(film,written work), award_received (film,award), production_company(film,film production company), country_of_origin(film,country), publication_date (film,date), characters(film,film character), narrative_location(film,city), filming_location(film,city), main_subject(film,thing), nominated_for(film,award), cost(film,number)

Example Sentence: The Lion King is a animated musical drama film about a lion cub who is to succeed his father and it was directed by Roger Allers and Rob Minkoff (in their feature directorial debuts), produced by Don Hahn.

Example Output: director(Lion King, Roger Allers) director(Lion King, Rob Minkoff) producer(Lion King, Don Hahn)

Test Sentence: Birds Anonymous is a 1957 Warner Bros. Merrie Melodies animated short, directed by Friz Freleng and written by Warren Foster.

Verbalized Ontology

Example(s)

Input Sentence(s)

Test Output:



screenwriter(Birds Anonymous, Warren Foster)
director(Birds Anonymous, Friz Freleng)
publication_date(Birds Anonymous, 1957)
production_company(Birds Anonymous, Warner Bros.)
genre(Birds Anonymous, animated film)





Text2KGBench – Evaluation Metrics

- Fact extraction accuracy Precision (P), Recall (R), and F1
 - System generated triples compared to ground truth triples
 - Ground truth may not be exhaustive
 - to avoid false negative and out-of-context triples, a locally closed approach considering only relations in ground truth
- Ontology conformance
 - Does the LLM adhere to the ontology provided in the prompt
 - Currently only checks if the relations are canonical ones from the ontology
 - Can be further extended to ensure domain/range and other constraints
- Hallucinations
 - We expect the triples to be faithful to the input sentence provided
 - Subject entity / object should be present in the sentence
 - Stemming is used to address morphological variations (further work is needed to make this robust)





Text2KGBench – Error Analysis

Sentence	Extracted Triple	Error / Related metric
Aparajito won 11 international awards, including the Golden Lion and Critics Award at the Venice Film Festival, becoming the first ever film to win both.	award_received (Aparajito, Venice Film Festival)	An incorrect fact extracted. The model mistook the film festival for an award
The Gallopin Gaucho was a second attempt at success by co-directors Walt Disney and Ub Iwerks.	directed (The Gallopin Gaucho, Walt Disney)	Ontology conformance error. The canonical relation is the director.
American Born Chinese is a graphic novel by Gene Luen Yang.	narrative_location (American Born Chinese, San Francisco)	Object hallucination. Neither the object nor the relation is mentioned in the text.
Schreck was a founding member of the Sturmabteilung .	member_of_political_party (Hermann Goring, Sturmabteilung)	Subject hallucination. Hermann Goring is not mentioned in the text.







Relation Extraction Approaches

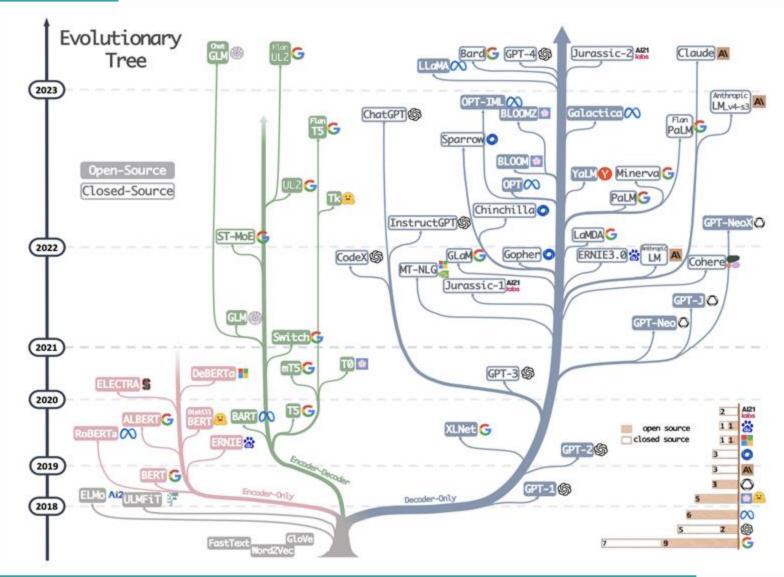
Traditional relation extraction approaches

- Rule-based approaches
 - Lexical analysis and phrase patterns
 - Syntax analysis, dependency trees, and semantic parsing
- Weak supervision / distant supervision approaches
 - Noise reduction approaches
 - Embedding based approaches
 - Auxiliary information
- Supervised learning approaches
 - Feature-based methods
 - Kernel-based methods
 - LSTMs, CNNs, GNNs





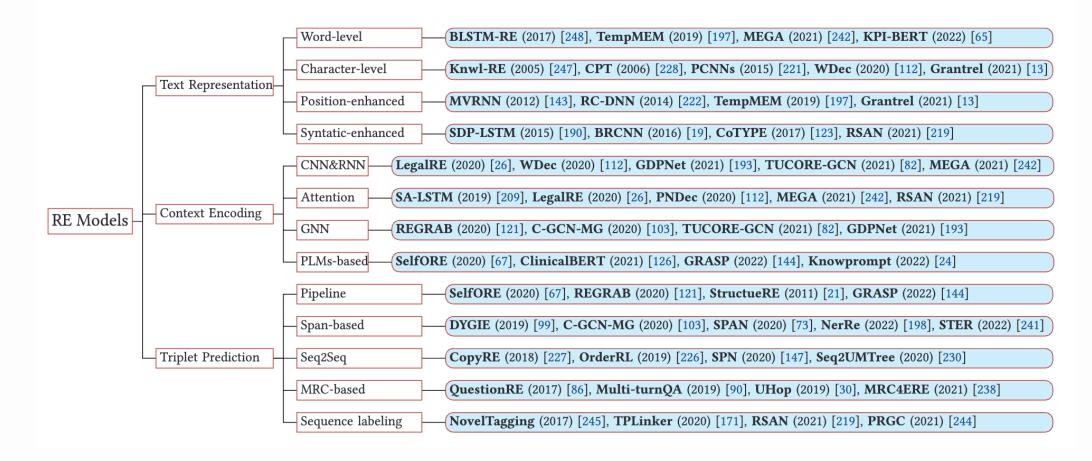
Large Language Models-based Approaches







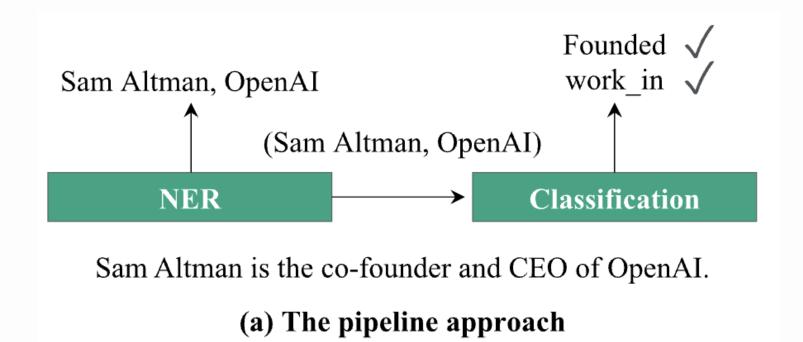
Relation Extraction Models







Pipeline based RE







Entity Overlaps

NEO: No Entity Overlap

SEO: Single Entity Overlap

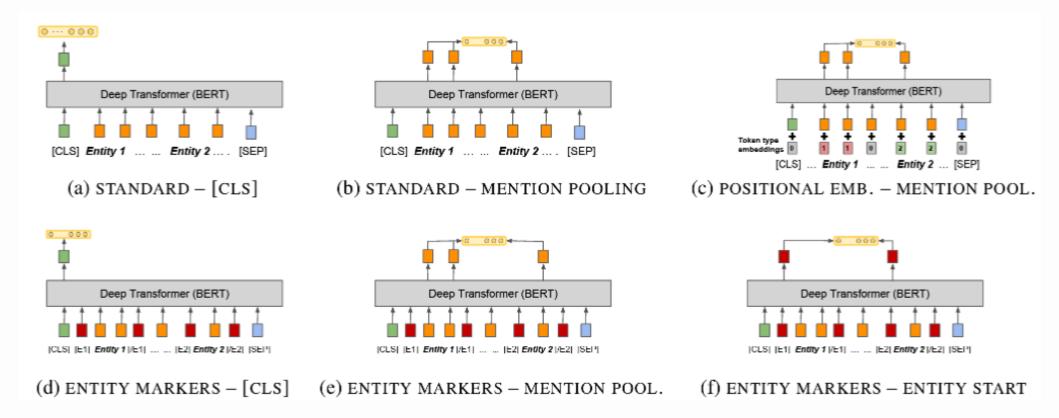
EPO: Entity Pair Overlap

	Text	Triplets				
NEO	The [United States] president [Donald	(Donald Trump, President_of, United States)				
	Trump] will visit [Beijing], [China].	(China, Contains, Beijing)				
SEO	The [United States] president [Donald	(Donald Trump, President_of, United States)				
	Trump] was born in [New York City].	(Donald Trump, Born_in, New York City)				
EPO	Martin went to [Tokyo] last week,	(Japan, Contains, Tokyo) (Japan, Capital,				
	which is the capital of [Japan].	Tokyo)				





Text representation







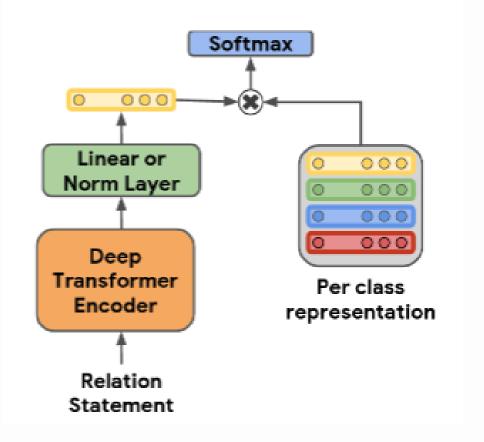
Text representation

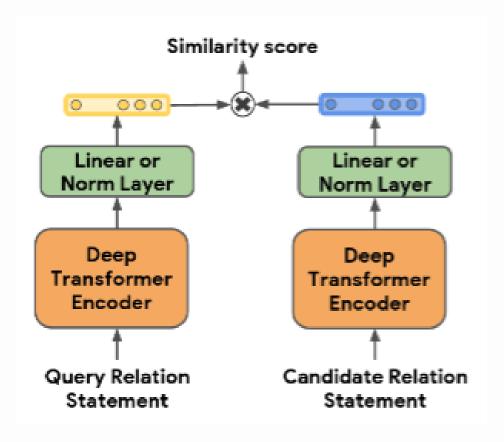
		SemEval 2010		KBP37		TACRED		FewRel
		Task 8						5-way-1-shot
# training annot	8,000 (6,500 for dev)		15,916		68,120		44,800	
# relation types		19		37		42		100
		Dev F1	Test F1	Dev F1	Test F1	Dev F1	Test F1	Dev Acc.
Wang et al	_	88.0	_	_	_	_	_	
Zhang and W	_	79.6	_	58.8	_	_	_	
Bilan and Ro	_	84.8	_	_	_	68.2	-	
Han et al. (2018)		_	_	_	_	_	_	71.6
Input type	Output type							
STANDARD	[CLS]	71.6	_	41.3	-	23.4	_	85.2
STANDARD	MENTION POOL.	78.8	_	48.3	_	66.7	_	87.5
POSITIONAL EMB.	MENTION POOL.	79.1	_	32.5	_	63.9	_	87.5
ENTITY MARKERS	[CLS]	81.2	_	68.7	_	65.7	_	85.2
ENTITY MARKERS	MENTION POOL.	80.4	_	68.2	_	69.5	_	87.6
ENTITY MARKERS	ENTITY START	82.1	89.2	70	68.3	70.1	70.1	88.9





Relation classification / ranking

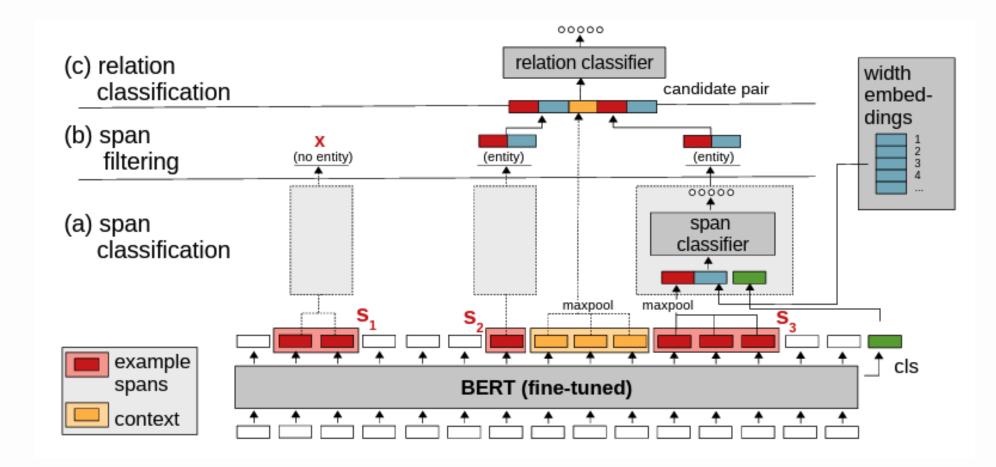








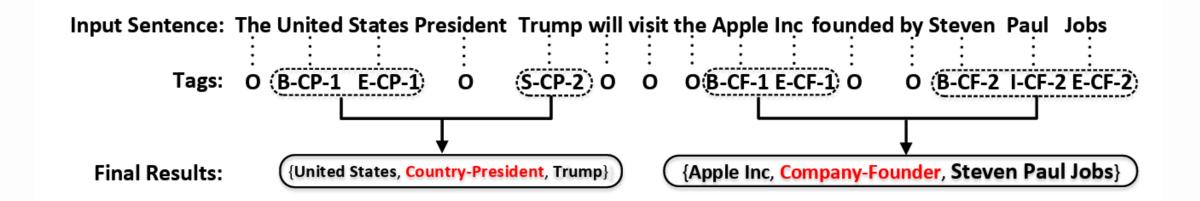
Span-based approaches







Sequence labeling approaches



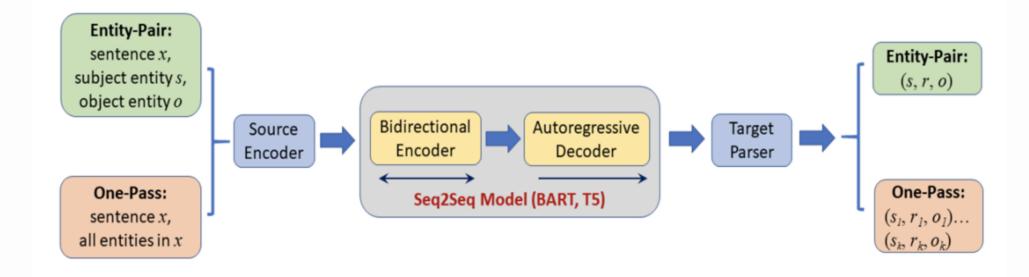




Relation extraction with Seq2Seq models (Encoder-Decoder)

Irene Morgan, who was born and raised in Baltimore, lived on Long Island.

(Irene Morgan, birthPlace, Baltimore) (Irene Morgan, residence, Long Island)

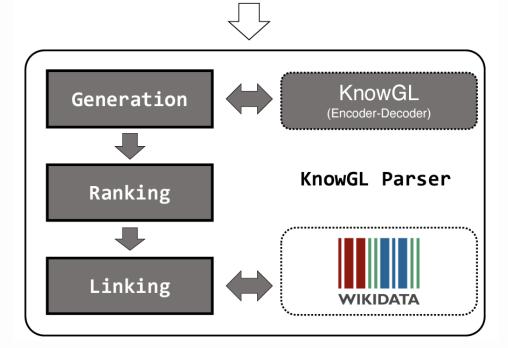






Relation extraction with Seq2Seq models (Encoder-Decoder)

For the **semantic web** to function, computers must have access to structured collections of information and sets of **inference rules**.

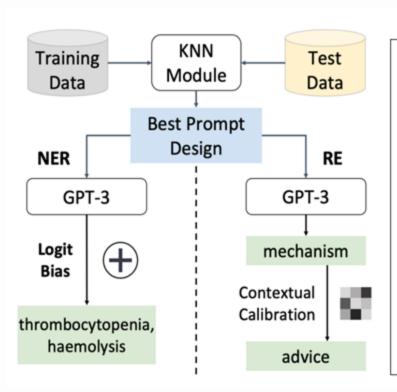


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  "link": "Property:P2283"
"object": {
  "mention": "inference rules",
  "entity label": "inference",
  "type label": "process",
  "entity link": "Q408386",
  "type link": "Q619671"
"score": -0.98
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Relation Extraction with In-Context Learning (Decoder-Only)



List the diseases mentioned in the following sentences.

Sentence: Acute liver failure in two patients with regular alcohol consumption ingesting paracetamol at therapeutic dosage.

Diseases: Acute liver failure

Sentence: Clinical evaluations suggested an initial diagnosis of severe thrombocytopenia and haemolysis.

Diseases: thrombocytopenia, haemolysis

Classify the interaction between drugs based on the provided sentences.

Sentence: It is recommended not to exceed a single Vardenafil dose when used with ritonavir.

How do Vardenafil and ritonavir interact in the

previous sentence? Interaction: advice

Sentence: Therefore, concomitant use of toradol

and probenecid is contraindicated.

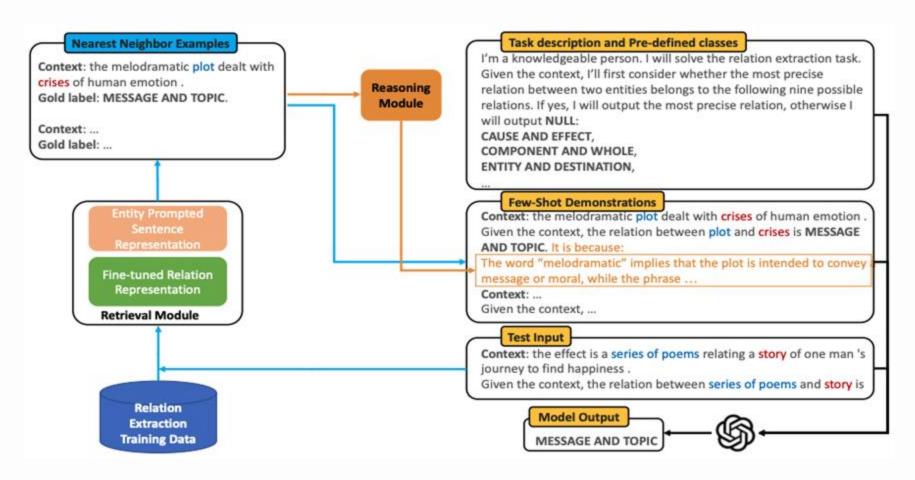
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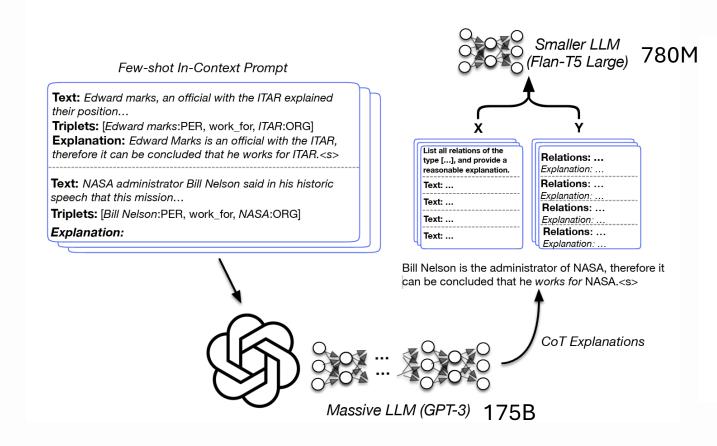
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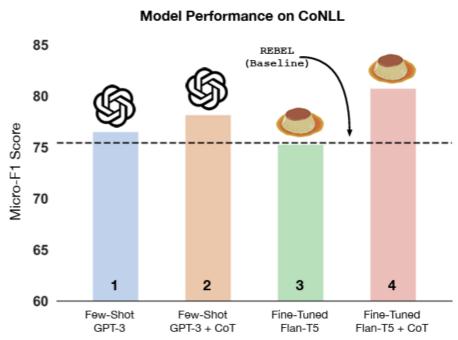






Relation Extraction with smaller models

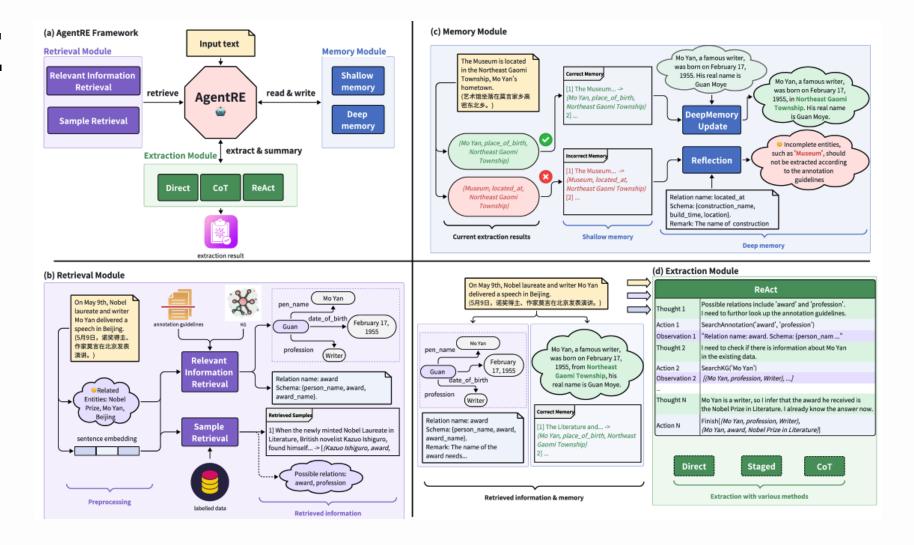








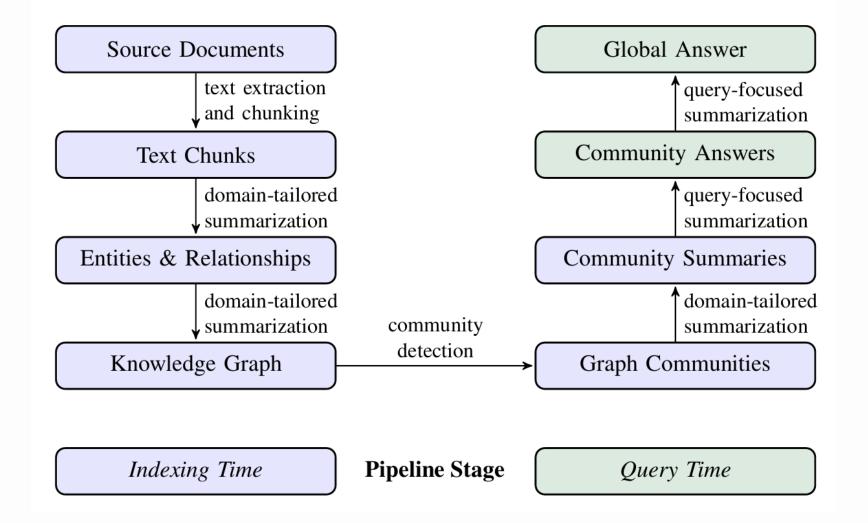
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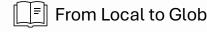






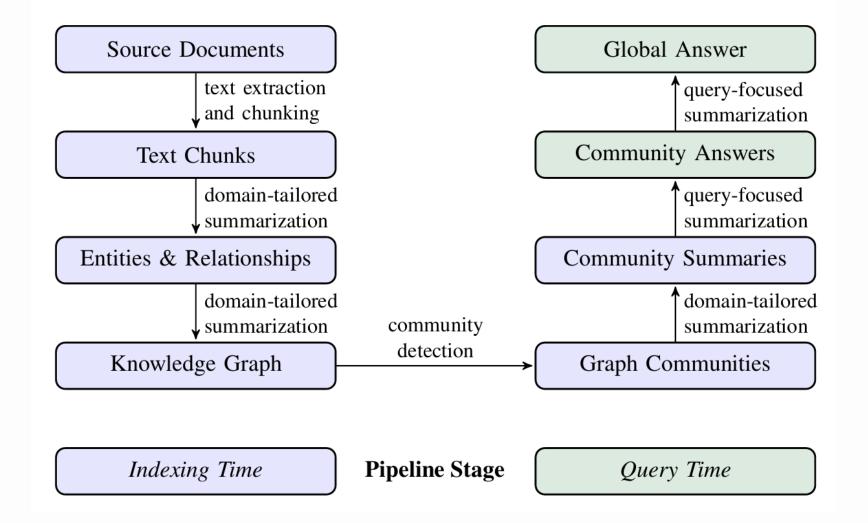
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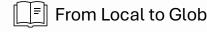






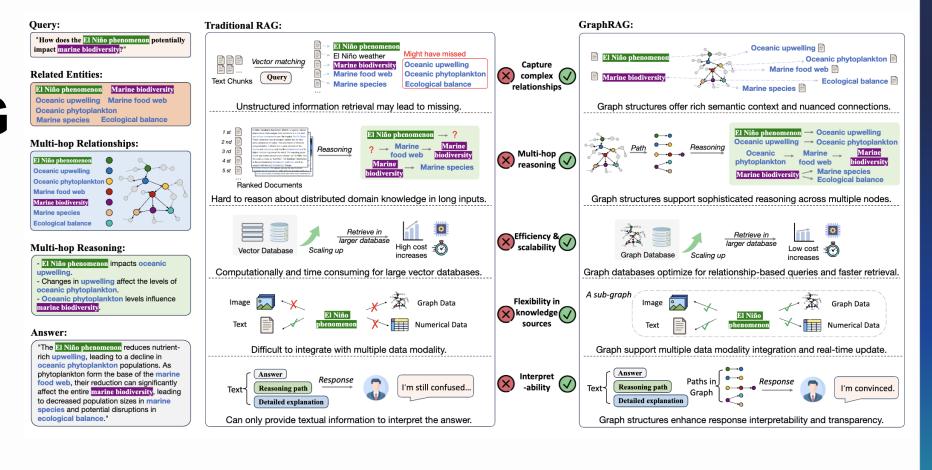
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RAG Vs GraphRAG







GraphRAG

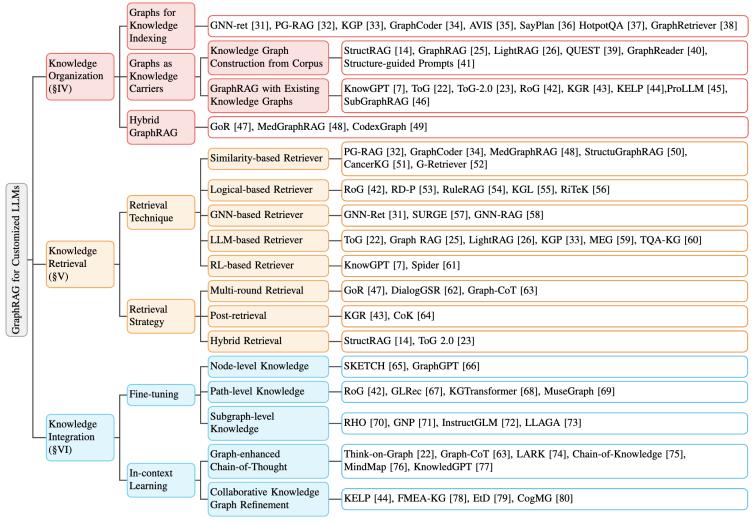
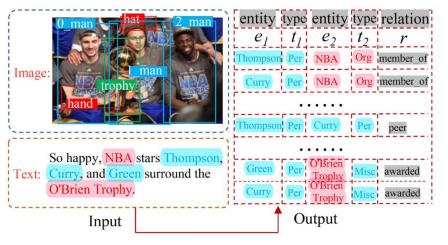


Fig. 3: The taxonomy for existing GraphRAG methods in the survey.



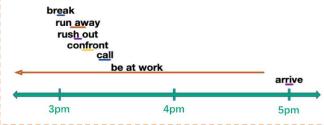


RE Challenges

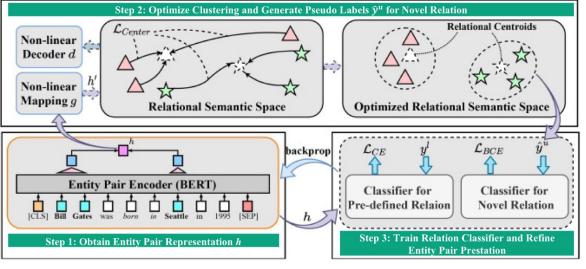


(a) Multimodal relation extraction. It requires extracting different characteristic information from vision.

At 3pm, a boy broke his neighbor's window. He was running away, when the neighbor rushed out to confront him. His parents were called but couldn't arrive for two hours because they were still at work.



(b) Temporal relation extraction. The narrative and corresponding timeline are shown.



(c) Open relation extraction. There are three steps iteratively performed: (1) encode both the labeled and unlabeled instances into entity pair representations. (2) transfer the pair of entity representations into the relation-oriented representations by gathering towards their relational centroids. (3) optimize the entity pair representations and classifier by minimizing a joint objective function to reduce the clustering bias on predefined classes.







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