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Overview

WP2

- Normalization
 - Spelling correction for EN and NL
 - Synonymy discovery (ongoing)
- Terminology extraction
 - Concept disambiguation
 - Concept extraction

WP3

- Event extraction
 - Machine reading comprehension
 - Relation extraction (ongoing)
 - Negation and modality detection (ongoing)

FOCUS OF THIS TALK

Normalization and terminology extraction: a brief recap

Spelling correction

- Context-sensitive
- Available for both English and Dutch
- Fix spelling with embeddings of character n-grams and words in combination with measures of string and phonetic similarity

Concept extraction

- Use UMLS concept definitions
- Concept is chosen based on the match between embeddings of definitions and embeddings of context
- Concept boundaries are obtained with a noun-phrase chunker

Machine reading comprehension

Goal

- Given a document
- Answer questions about that document
 - Focus on analyzing “understanding”

Application in the clinical domain

- Couple with a retrieval component
- Fine-grained QA about background medical knowledge or patients

A 22-year-old woman presented to the emergency room with headache and confusion. The symptoms had woken her in the morning and progressively worsened through the day.

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Passage:

Neurological examination demonstrated left lower facial paralysis with aphasia, dyscalculia, dyslexia and fingeragnosia, clinically Gerstmann syndrome. Further examination showed no abnormalities. A non-contrast head CT was performed and showed a left parietotemporal venous infarction and a small juxtacortical haemorrhage. An additional MR angiography showed occlusion of the left transverse sinus and a T2-weighted MRI showed a venous infarction with a juxtacortical haemorrhage just beneath the sulcus.

Query:

Upon performing an MRI, an accompanying _____ was found near the bottom of the sulcus.

Answer:

juxtacortical haemorrhage

What we did

- Created a dataset from clinical case reports
- Automated question construction: gap-filling queries where the answer can be a treatment, a test or a problem
- Analyzed performance of different machine readers
- Examined the required reading skills: in what ways is answering difficult?

Hemorrhagic stroke

CASE REPORT

Intracavitary ultrasound (ICARUS): a neuroendoscopic adaptation of intravascular ultrasound for intracerebral hemorrhage evacuation

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SUMMARY

Neurosurgeons performing intracerebral hemorrhage evacuation procedures have limited options for monitoring hematoma evacuation and assessing residual hematoma burden intraoperatively. Here, we report the successful neuroendoscopic adaptation of intravascular ultrasound (ICARUS), referred to here as intracavitary ultrasound (ICARUS), in two patients. Pre-evacuation ICARUS demonstrated dense hematomas in both patients. Post-evacuation ICARUS in patient 1 demonstrated significant reduction in clot burden and two focal hypercholesteric regions consistent with pockets of hematoma not previously seen with the endoscope or burr hole ultrasound. These areas were directly targeted and resected with the endoscope and suction device. Post-evacuation ICARUS in patient 2 showed significant reduction of hematoma volume without indication of residual blood. ICARUS findings were confirmed on intraoperative DynaCT and postoperative CT 24 hours later. ICARUS is feasible in patient in a hematomas cavity both before and after hematoma aspiration. ICARUS may provide additional information to the operating surgeon and assist in maximizing hematoma removal.

BACKGROUND

Intracavitary ultrasound (IVUS) is an important imaging modality in the diagnosis and treatment of vascular disease. 1 IVUS catheters contain miniature ultrasound transmitters and receivers...

The introducer is removed and the IVUS cath introduced into the sheath until the tip of the IVUS cath is flush with that of the sheath at the distal of the hematoma. The sheath is retracted (exch a distance equal to the length of the sheath so that the tip of the sheath rests at the periphery of the hematoma. With the ultrasound vated, the IVUS catheter is slowly retracted i ahead to scan the cavity. The process is re after evacuation to visualise any residual hemat (figure 3). Of note, the use of IVUS for ins itary imaging during ICH evacuation is ot and not currently carried by the Food and Administration.

CASE PRESENTATION

Patient 1 A 39-year-old man with hypertension, di and end-stage renal disease presented with a loss of consciousness (LOC), a Glasgow Coma Scale (GCS) of 9, and National Institutes of Stroke Scale (NIHSS) of 16, and was found a 77 cm left-sided ICH (figure 2A). He undi endoscopic evacuation 72 hours after symptom onset. Baseline ICARUS prior to evacuation dstrated a dense hematoma (figure 3A; see supplementary video 1). At the conclusion evacuation, ICARUS was repeated and ide two residual pockets of hematoma (figure 3 C). see online supplementary video 2). This information gathered from ICARUS, these p... was terminated w idual pockets. Subu demonstrated 309

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It is not a diagnostic tool for neurologists?

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324 mg and ciprofloxacin 300 mg. She was transferred to neurology. She was found to have a right eye ptosis and miosis. She had no right pupil and mild right ptosis with pupil 0.6 mm smaller than the left side (figure 1B). She and her husband were not sure if her facial features were different than usual. We checked her brother's former her eye pictures on Facebook to make a comparison. She had no other pictures with her. We asked her if she had pictures on her Facebook account, with acute neuroanatomical. Our patient was competent to complete her pictures on Facebook, with her present facial features to clarify if the eyelid depress was

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Findings that shed new light on the possible pathogenesis of a disease or an adverse effect

CASE REPORT

Alveolar bone exostoses subsequent to orthodontic implant placement

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ABSTRACT Alveolar bone exostoses (ABE), also known as a bony tumor formation, are not uncommon to the literature. Although, exostoses in response to trauma from occlusion are a popular concept proposed more than 40 years ago, still the aetiological factors behind it development are unclear. Various risks and complex associated with orthodontic implants have been published, but bony tumor formation subsequent to this procedure has not been reported till date. This article describes a case of ABE, subsequent to the placement of orthodontic mini implants, where diligent evaluation, restorative osseous surgery was performed.

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Rare disease

A report on a rare case of Klebsiella ozaenae causing atrophic rhinitis in the UK

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SUMMARY

Ozaena is a chronic disease of the nasal cavity characterised by thickening of the mucosa and bone caused by Klebsiella ozaenae. It is endemic to subtropical and temperate regions affecting the lower socio-economic group, usually the poor who live in unhygienic conditions. It is a rare disease in the UK. There is a paucity of literature in diagnosis due to unfamiliarity of the disease. A 25-year-old Nigerian migrant presented with nasal obstruction with purulent nasal discharge. Isolation of the bacterium was found from cultures of nasal discharge, crusting and tissue biopsies. She was treated successfully with ciprofloxacin. It is important to consider this rare condition in cases of nasal obstruction even in non-endemic areas especially with the advances of modern travel.

BACKGROUND

Klebsiella ozaenae is associated with chronic inflammation of the upper airways called ozaena. The incidence of the disease in developed countries has become uncommon due to the improvements in sanitation and hygiene. It is a rare progressing chronic disease, forming thick dried scabs and distinct foul odours due to atrophic changes in the nasal mucosa with desquamation of underlying tissue. They may also present with headaches and facial pain similar to that of chronic sinusitis.

Clinical diagnosis is made by the presence of characteristic changes in the nasal passage - enlargement of nasal spines associated with thick crusts, or with microbacterial colonies of the indicated species. This condition is endemic to subtropical and temperate climates like South Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe and Mediterranean regions. The pathogenesis of the disease remains poorly understood but links to nutrition, endocrine, developmental, infectious and hereditary factors have been suggested.

We report a case of ozaena causing nasal obstruction, foul smelling purulent discharge and nasal crusting by which the diagnosis was based on culture & PCR findings.

The septum was not deviated nor were there any nasal masses.

INVESTIGATIONS The cultures taken from the pur swabs, tissue biopsies and crusting isolated K. ozaenae, showing susceptibility to ciprofloxacin.

CT of the sinuses revealed mucosal thickening in the ethmoid, sphenoid and maxillary sinuses. The frontal sinuses were clear. The maxillary sinuses were obstructed by soft tissue balling. There was bilateral atrophy of the inferior turbinates.

Histopathological and biochemical investigations including HSV were unremarkable.

TREATMENT

Treatment was initiated with regular saline nasal douching, oral ciprofloxacin for 2 weeks and topical antibiotic spray for 4 days.

OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP

Residual 6-monthly follow-ups for recurrent ozaena.

Novel treatment (new drug/ingredient; established drug/procedure in new setting)

CASE REPORT

Burning mouth syndrome due to herpes simplex virus type 1

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SUMMARY

Burning mouth syndrome is characterised by chronic orofacial burning pain. No dental or chronic cause for burning pain was found. We present a case of burning mouth syndrome of 6 months duration in a healthy 65-year-old woman, which was associated with high copy numbers of herpes simplex virus type 1 (HSV-1) DNA in the saliva. Her pain resolved completely after antiviral treatment with a corresponding absence of salivary HSV-1 DNA 4 weeks and 6 months later.

BACKGROUND

Burning mouth syndrome is a chronic, burning sensation in the mouth, with no underlying dental or medical cause. The burning sensation can be unilateral or bilateral and is located to the lips, tongue, hard or soft palate. The prevalence varies from 6.7% to 7% and is seen in up to 18% of postmenopausal women. 1 Previous treatment has included antidepressants, cognitive behavioural therapy, analgesics, hormone replacement, α -lipic acid and anticonvulsants.

CASE PRESENTATION

A previously healthy 65-year-old woman developed a burning sensation in her mouth, localised to the right buccal mucosa and anterolateral two-thirds of the tongue. The burning increased when she brushed her teeth and usually decreased within 10 min. Pain resolved spontaneously after 4 weeks. One year later, burning pain in the same distribution returned and became constant. Denies, including an oral surgeon, found no mucosal lesions or other abnormalities. No relief was provided by

zoster virus (VZV), 2 and HSV-1 3 and 1 performed in a previously described 4 HSV-1 for VZV and of herpes simplex virus (HSV-1) and HSV-2 were similar (104 copies/mL), respectively, 5 and none of these three viruses was 10 10 6 DNA copies/mL Saliva contained cellular GAPDH as positive control. HSV-1 DNA per mL, but HSV-2 DNA.

TREATMENT

The patient was treated with oral valacyclovir three times a day for 10 days, followed closely, 1 g daily for 1 day.

OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP

The mouth pain resolved completely with after antiviral treatment. PCR of oral swab 4 months after starting antiviral therapy was negative for HSV-1 DNA or VZV DNA. She remained pain free for 1.5 years after di antiviral therapy.

DISCUSSION

No prior reports have associated this mouth syndrome with HSV-1 or any other herpesvirus in her mouth, localised to the right buccal mucosa and anterolateral two-thirds of the tongue. The burning increased when she brushed her teeth and usually decreased within 10 min. Pain resolved spontaneously after 4 weeks. One year later, burning pain in the same distribution returned and became constant. Denies, including an oral surgeon, found no mucosal lesions or other abnormalities. No relief was provided by

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CASE REPORT

Air Duster abuse causing rapid airway compromise

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SUMMARY

Inhaler abuse is potentially life-threatening and has resulted in many complications such as central nervous system depression, cardiac dysrhythmias and hypoxia. Inhaler abuse causing angioedema is rarely reported in the medical literature. In this report we present a case of rapidly progressive airway compromise following recreational huffing. Our patient required intubation and intensive care unit admission with complete recovery after 5 days. The aetiology of airway compromise is postulated to be due to the compound reported in this report and early reported angioedema. In the best of our knowledge this the second case reporting angioedema secondary to huffing Air Duster.

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INVESTIGATIONS

Laboratory work was performed on admission to ICU. White cell count was 16 900 cells/mL with a normal differential and no bands. Electrolytes and blood gas performed following intubation were unremarkable. Owing to the significant swelling, which developed over a short period of time, and a rapidly evolving erythema covering a significant portion of the right neck area, a CT of the neck was done which

CONCLUSION

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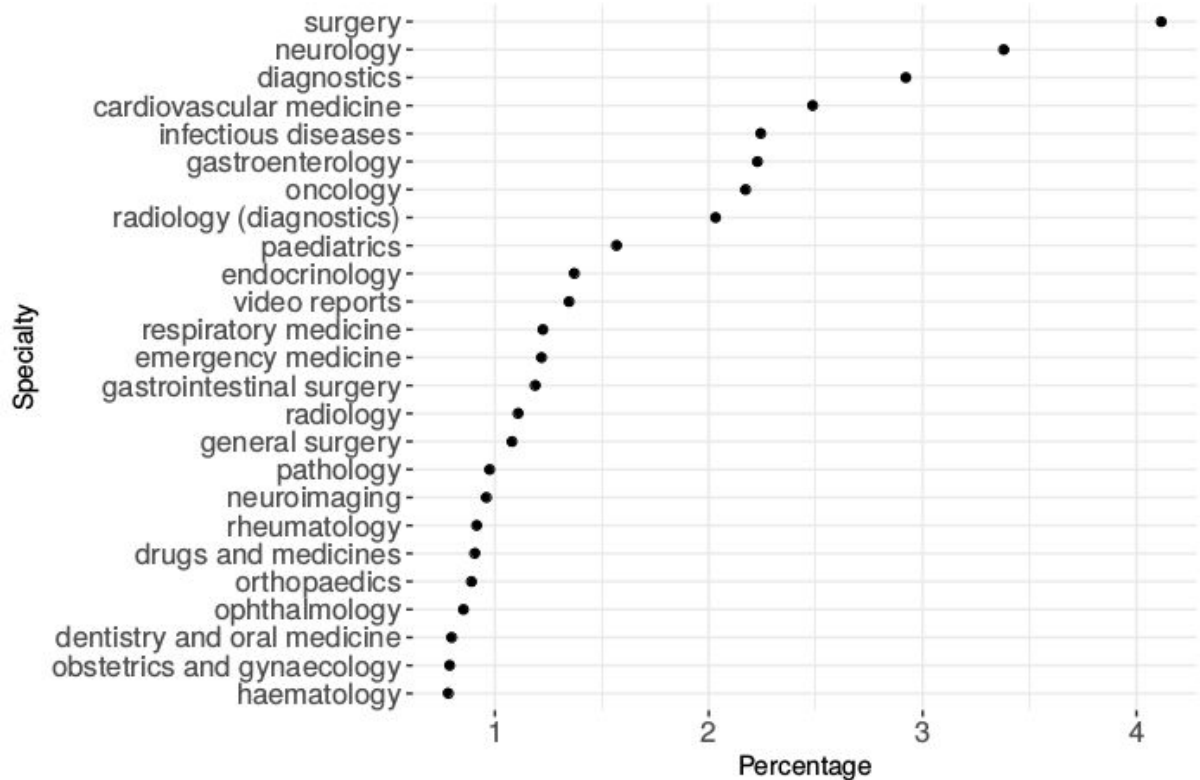
Reminder of important clinical lesson

CASE REPORT

Conservative management of an abdominal gunshot injury with a peritoneal breach: wisdom or absurdity?

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SUMMARY

Surgical exploration has been the standard of care for abdominal gunshot injuries. The authors report a case of a 28-year-old man who sustained a transabdominal gunshot injury, which entered the anterior abdominal wall and exited adjacent to the T12 vertebra posteriorly with a tangential trajectory. On presentation, the patient was haemodynamically stable with no peritoneal signs. Based on trajectory of the bullet, the abdominal injury was suspected. Therefore a CT scan abdomen with intravenous and rectal contrast was performed. The CT scan revealed no extravasation of the rectal contrast but showed free air specks behind the descending colon. Delayed reval images of the left ureter were also normal. Based on the clinical findings, the patient was managed non-operatively with nothing per oral, intravenous antibiotics and frequent abdominal examinations. He made an unremarkable recovery without necessitating laparotomy.

BACKGROUND

Gunshot injuries to the abdomen have been traditionally managed by exploratory laparotomy. The dictum of mandatory surgery of all nonoperatives is based on an assumption that only laparotomy can correctly diagnose all injuries and lower morbidity and that a clinical examination is usually unreliable. This results in a negative laparotomy rate of 15–25%.^{1–3} There is recent literature pointing towards selective nonoperative management of isolated anterior or posterior abdominal gunshot injury, but to the best of our knowledge no report is available about conservative treatment of transabdominal gunshot injury with a peritoneal breach. A clinical examination and helical CT scan are good tools aiding surgeons in the execution of non-operative management of a select group of patients.

CASE PRESENTATION

A 28-year-old man was brought to the emergency room within 30 min of a gunshot wound to the abdomen. On presentation, he was vitally stable with no peritoneal signs. On examination, he had sustained a transabdominal gunshot injury, with the entry wound 2 cm above the left anterior superior iliac spine and exit wound just left lateral to the transverse process of T12 vertebra with a tangential trajectory. His systemic examination was normal

with no abnormality found on digital rectal examination. The initial management consisted of keeping the patient nothing per oral, carbonation, intravenous hydration and analgesia. Keeping the bullet trajectory in mind, left colocolic and ureteric injury was highly suspected, despite a normal abdominal examination and stable haemodynamics.

INVESTIGATIONS

His complete blood count and serum creatinine remained normal and his haemoglobin and haematocrit did not drop as any patient in trauma. A CT scan of the abdomen and pelvis was performed with intravenous and rectal contrast including delayed reval films. Images showed specks of free air behind the descending colon with no extravasation of contrast from the rectum and ureter (Figure 1).

TREATMENT

A decision was made to manage this patient conservatively based on his haemodynamic stability, absence of peritoneal signs and no contrast extravasation from the colon, ureter or blood vessels on CT scan images. Exploration was kept in mind if the patient showed haemodynamic instability or developed peritoneal signs. He was kept under observation in a high dependency unit where his vitals were monitored hourly along with strict input/output charting and frequent abdominal examinations. He was kept there for 48 h and then shifted to the general ward where he was monitored as per ward protocol. He was fully ambulated on the second day of admission and remained stable throughout the hospital course. A repeat CT scan abdomen with intravenous and rectal contrast on the fifth postadmission day did not reveal any abnormality (Figure 2), and therefore he was started on oral liquids followed by a progression to soft diet. He remained stable and was later discharged.

OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP

On the 10th day postadmission, he was followed up in the clinic; he had returned to his normal daily activities and regular diet.

DISCUSSION

Although conservative management of blunt abdominal and stab wound injuries is well

Reminder of important clinical lesson

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Build queries from Learning points

- Identify medical entities
- Blank out one entity at a time
- Blanked-out entities become ground-truth answers
- Extend the ground-truth answers with synonyms in UMLS

query: A clinical abdominal examination and _____ are useful tools in management.

answer: CT scan (CAT scan, computerized tomography, . . .)

Experiments

Baseline

- Pick the most frequent concept as answer

Language model

- Kneser-Ney LM to predict the most likely word/concept based on 3 preceding words in the query

Embedding-based

- Pick the concept whose context representation is maximally similar to the context of the query

Experiments

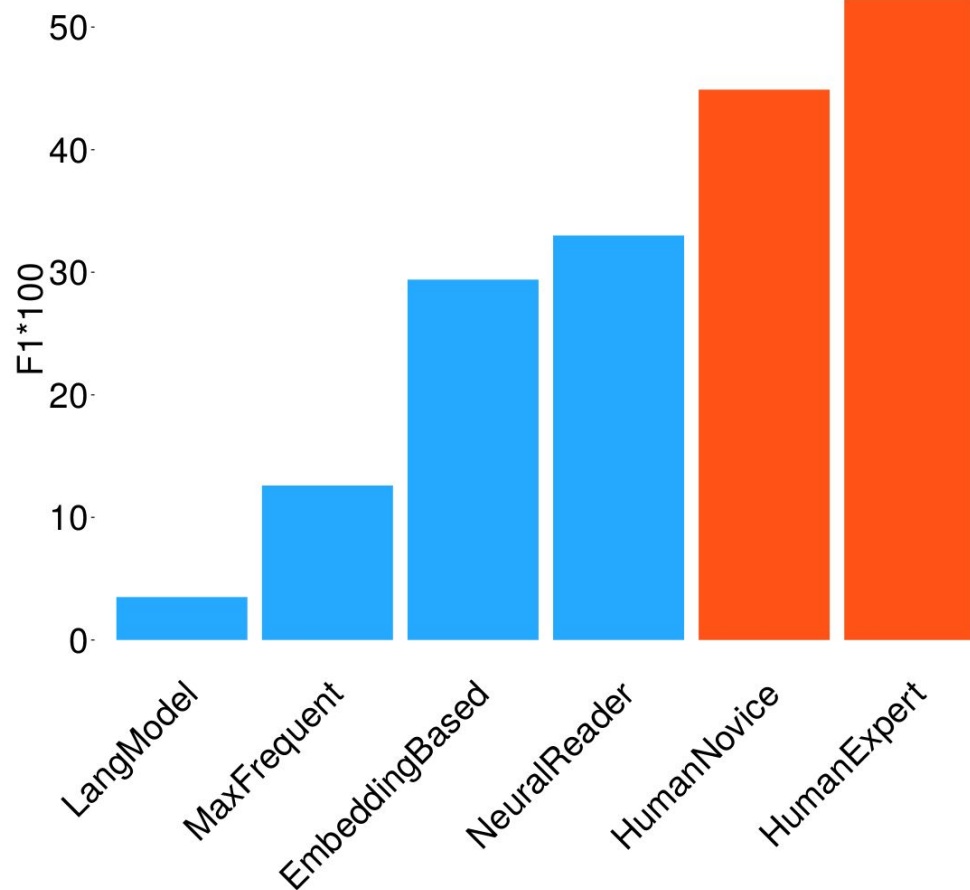
Neural readers

- Recurrent neural nets with attention: contextual representations of tokens in passage and query are built, then their compatibility is compared

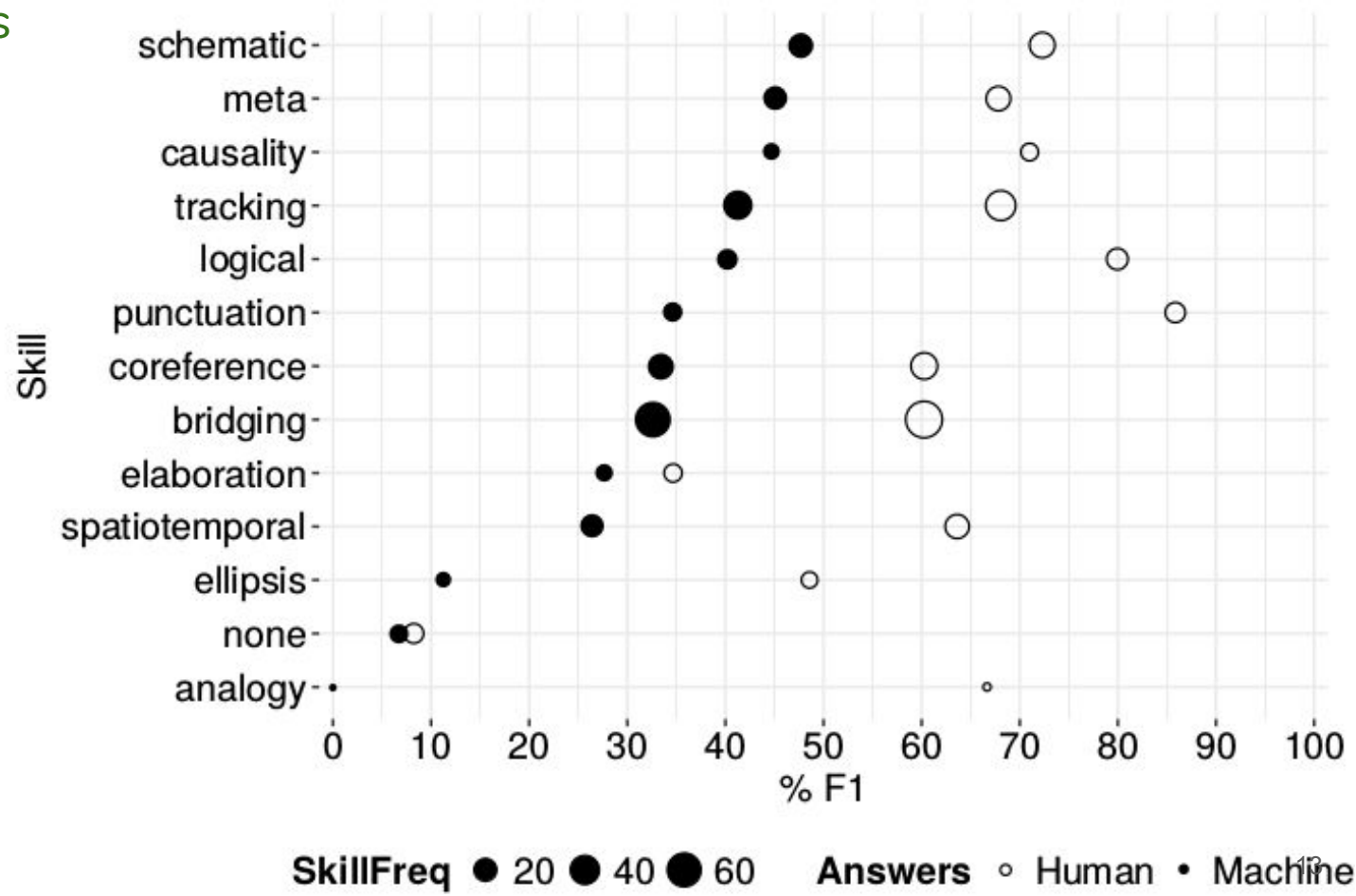
Humans

- Answered 100 instances from the development set
- A person with medical background
- A person with no medical background

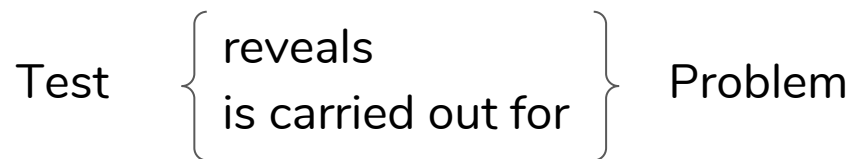
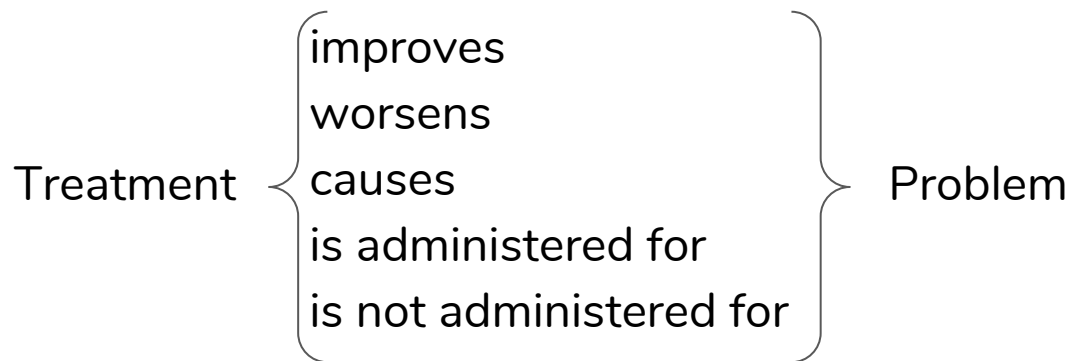
Results



Human-expert vs. neural-reader performance based on assigned understanding skills




Relation extraction: i2b2-2010 dataset



Relation extraction example

“Acetaminophen 325 mg Tablet Sig : Two (2) Tablet
PO Q6H (every 6 hours) as needed for fever or pain”



“Acetaminophen” : “fever” → Treatment administered for a problem

“Acetaminophen” : “pain” → Treatment administered for a problem

Relation extractor

Convolutional neural networks with dynamic pooling

- Obtain encodings of segments in a sentence:
 - text before concept₁,
 - text in concept₁,
 - text between concept₁ and concept₂,
 - ...
- Performs well (no manual feature engineering):
 - 0.65 F1 on Treatment-Problem relations
 - 0.79 F1 on Test-Problem relations
 - 0.71 F1 on Problem-Problem relation

Improving the relation extractor

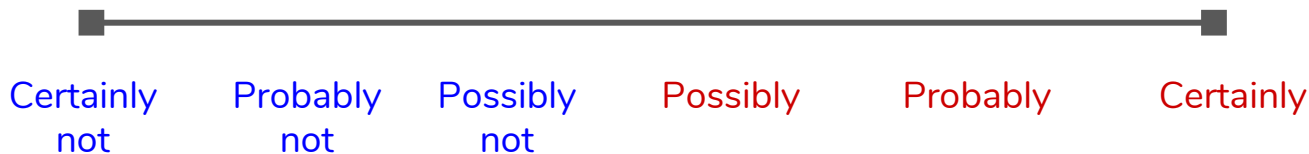
- Observations from a manual analysis:
 - Low recall for many relations
 - Little domain knowledge
 - Certain types of relations are more easily confused
 - Insensitive to negation markers
- Current work:
 - Give more domain knowledge through concept-concept selectional preferences (e.g. drug+problem combinations)
 - Help the classifier focus on relation triggers; include semantic classes for these cues
 - Negation features / module

Modality detection

Plan to develop a stand-alone module:

- Which can be integrated in a relation extractor (degree of certainty)
- Scope can be determined with rules or syntactic parses

See negation and affirmative as two extremes:



Software

<https://github.com/clips/accumulate>