ZSWSL Text Entailment Recognizing System at NTCIR-9 RITE Task

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Challenges in NTCIR RITE Task

Note: Large ratio of common words/syntactic structures doesn't guarantee the same semantic meaning. Traditional features based on lexical words, synonyms or Semantic Role Labeling met trouble when dealing with these non-entailment cases.

S1: 2004 年刘翔在雅典奥运会男子 110 米栏决赛上首度获得冠军。

• (S1: Xiang Liu won his **first** gold medal prize on men's **110 meter hurdles** at Athens Olympics in 2004)

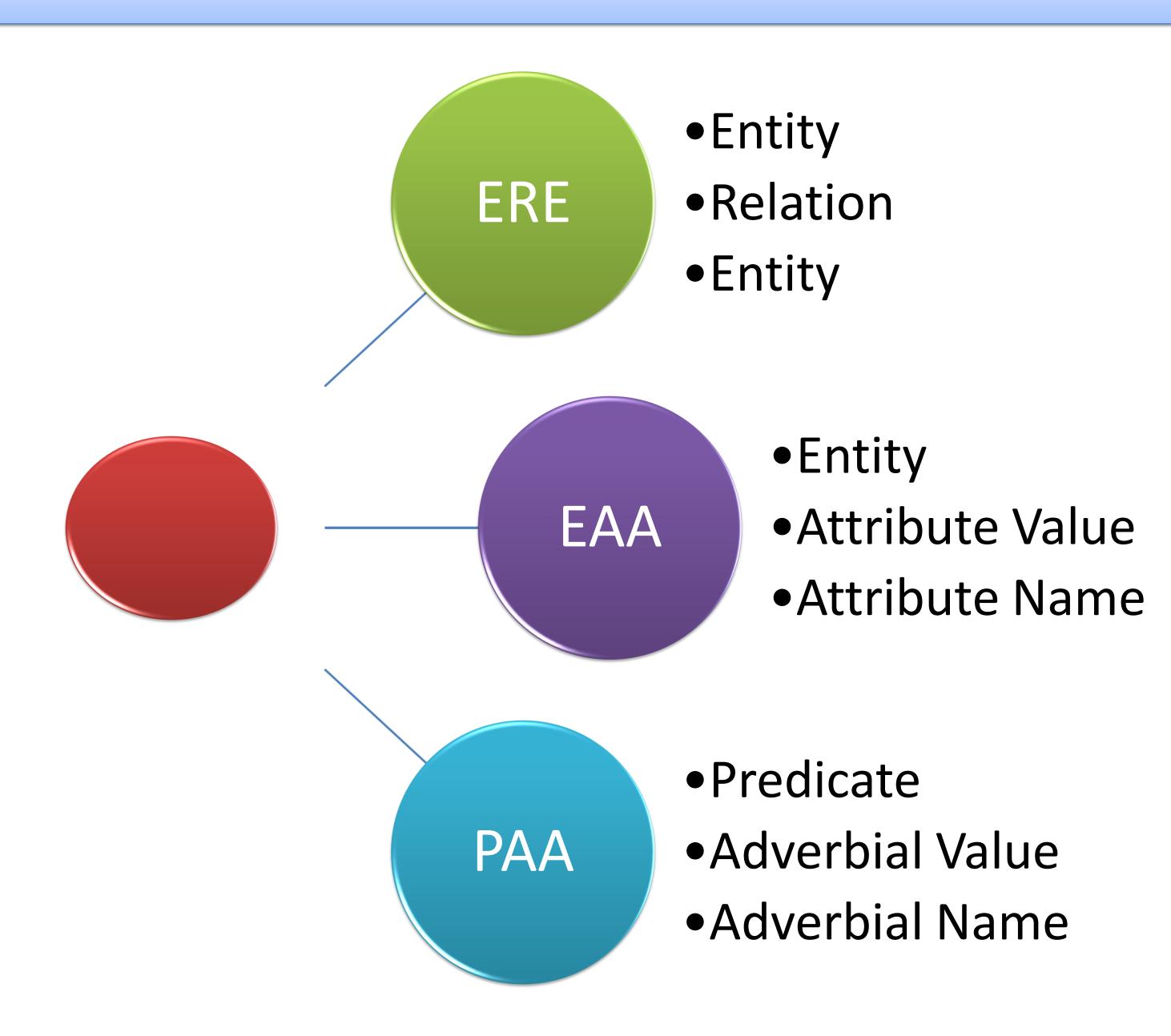
S2: 2004年刘翔在雅典奥运会男子 110米栏决赛上再度获得冠军。

• (S2: Xiang Liu won his second gold medal prize on men's 110 meter hurdles at Athens Olympics in 2004)

S3: 2004 年刘翔在雅典奥运会男子马拉松决赛上首度获得冠军。

• (S3: Xiang Liu won his first gold medal prize on men's Marathon Final at Athens Olympics in 2004)

Solution - Semantic Feature Extraction



刘翔再度获得110米栏冠军

- •ERE <刘翔, 获得, 冠军>
- ●EAA <冠军, 110米栏>
- •PAA <获得, 再度>

Xiang Liu won gold prize of 110 meter hurdles again

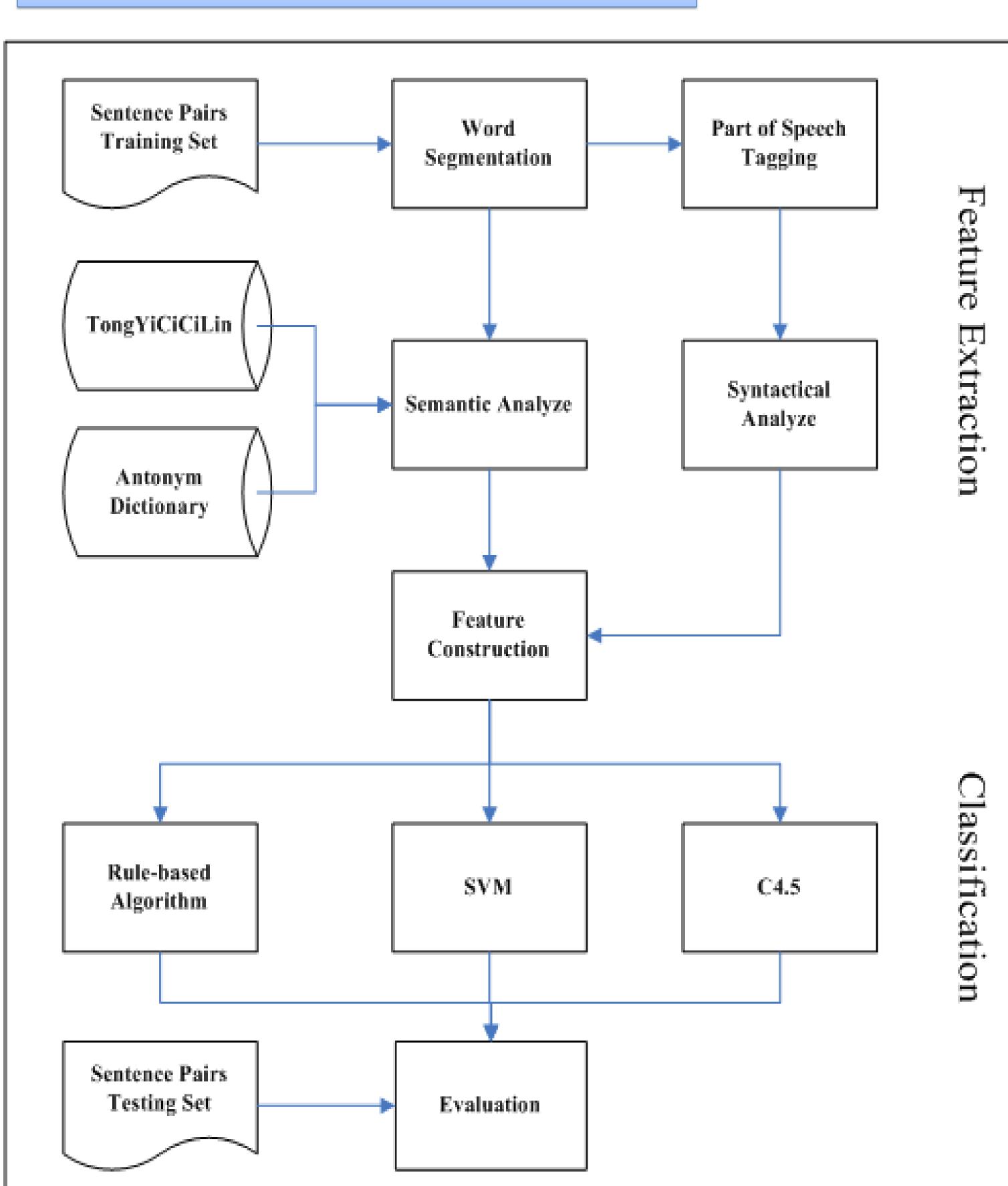
- ERE <Xiang Liu, Won,Gold Prize>
- EAA <Gold Prize, 110 meter hurdles>
- •PAA <Won, Again>

Sentences are compared by semantic structures, not lexical words, to generate semantic features.

Machine Learning Algorithms Selection

Models	Precision
rule-based model	46.1%
SVM model	46.0%
C4.5 Decision Tree Model (perform best)	55.9%

System Architecture



RITE Formal Run

Sub-Task	Accuracy	Team Rank
BC	72.0%	7/12
MC	61.9%	3/11

Conclusion

We introduced a novel semantic feature extraction method. Three different models were applied and compared based on these features, where C4.5 outperform both rule-based algorithm and SVM. Evaluation result showed a good accuracy of 72.0% in BC sub task and 61.9% in MC subtask.