Learning to Associate DBpedia Entities like Humans







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Associations vs. Similarity

- Partially overlapping, but *≠*
- Strongly Associated but not Similar:
 - Baby Crying
- Similar but not Strongly Associated:
 - Dog Terrier (100 ppl top answers: Cat (57 %), Collar (5 %), bark (2 %))

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Motivation

- Associations are important for thinking:
 - Navigate from one thought to another
 - "Closeness of concepts in our mind" Chris Welty's First Lady "Nixon" example
- Can we teach machines to do the same?
 - Using their Knowledge?
 - Linked Data

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- Goal:
 Given an input node
 predict the output node(s)
 we would associate

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- (Raw) Edinburgh Associative Thesaurus (EAT) as RDF (1.7 M triples)
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Stimulus	Response
dbr:Cow	dbr:Milk
dbr:Camping	dbr:Tent
dbr:Expense	dbr:Money
dbr:Bed	dbr:Sleep
dbr:Pupil	dbr:Eye

- Not readily modelled in DBpedia!
- Not one property!









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- How good are the predictions?
 - Training/Test set split
 - Given a stimulus from the test set, what's the rank of the true response in the prediction results?











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Evaluation Results

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MW	6.9%	9.7%	11.1%	13.9%	18.1%	11.0%	17.9%
NB Bidi WL PR	13.9%	20.8%	22.2%	29.2%	31.9%	20.2%	23.8%
NB Bidi WL InDeg	15.3%	20.8%	26.4%	31.9%	33.3%	21.4%	24.8%
gpl + precisions	25.0%	36.1%	44.4%	52.8%	62.5%	37.1%	46.0%
gpl + neural net	30.6%	36.1%	48.6%	51.4%	62.5%	40.3%	48.3%

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NB Bidi WL PR	13.9%	20.8%	22.2%	29.2%	31.9%	20.2%	23.8%
NB Bidi WL InDeg	15.3%	20.8%	26.4%	31.9%	33.3%	21.4%	24.8%
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Avg. Inter-Human Agreement: ~ 32 %

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Other Applications

- TasteDive (Recommendation Engine) Books
 - ~ 50 % Recall@10
- DBpediaNYD
 - ~ 63 % Recall@10

Summary

- Goal Learning Graph Patterns for Associations
- Semantic Association Dataset
- Graph Pattern Learner
 Learns SPARQL Patterns for
 Source-Target-Pairs
 Demo



Future Work

- Apply Evolutionary Algorithm
 - to other datasets
 - to other problems
- Extensions:
 - Literals
 - LOD-a-lot & #LD



Discussion

Thanks for your attention

Questions?



