

# **Analogies between Situations and Processes: Detection, Explanation, Generation**

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# Life is a Circus and We are the Clowns : Automatically Finding Analogies between Situations and Processes



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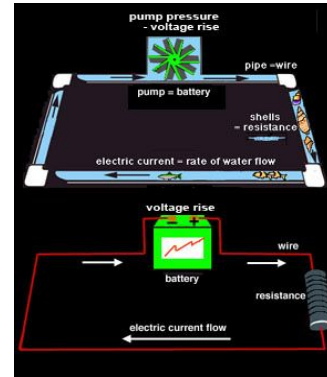


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# Analogies in human cognition

- Analogy-making is a **central** part of **Human Cognition** (*Minsky, 1988; Hofstadter and Sander, 2013; Holyoak, 1984*)
  - Abstract information, adapt to novel situations in terms of familiar ones (e.g. driving on the left-hand side of the road in the UK)
  - Important role in many areas
    - **Education** – help a teacher to explain a complex subject
    - Politics
    - etc



# Analogies in human cognition

- Analogy-making in innovation
  - Many inventions throughout history are thanks to analogies



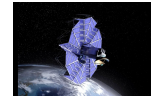
Chrysippus



Wright  
brothers



NASA



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# Analogies in Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- Analogies are **essentials** for **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** (*Mitchell, 2021*)
  - Key to non-brittle AI systems that can adapt to new domains, and form humanlike concepts and abstractions.

## Tower Bridge in London



## Bridging the Gender Gap



## Bridging Loan



## Bridge in a Song



# Analogies in Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- Analogies in **Natural Language Processing (NLP)**

- Most works focused on word analogies - “a to b is like c to d” (*Mikolov, 2013*)
- What about more **complex analogies**?
  - Current NLP methods capture well **surface** similarity.
  - No datasets for models’ training & evaluation.

- **Our focus: Analogies between situations and processes**

- Structure Mapping Engine (SME) (*Gentner, 1983; Falkenhainer, 1989; Turney, 2008; Forbus, 2011*)
  - **Input:** two domains (e.g., how the heart works / how a pump works).
  - **Goal:** map objects from **base** to **target** according to **relational structure** rather than **object attributes**.
  - **Problem:** the domain descriptions in a highly structured language.

CAUSE(PULL(piston), CAUSE(GREATER(PRESSURE(water),PRESSURE(pipe)),FLOW(water, pipe)))

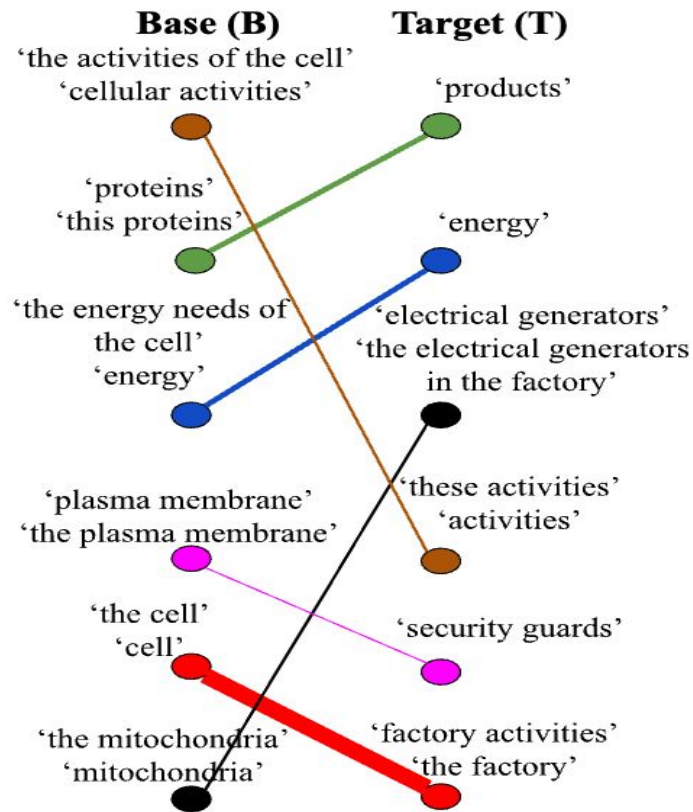
# Our work: we tackle a more **realistic** setting – **analogies** between **natural language procedural texts** describing **situations or processes**

## Base: Animal Cell

The plasma membrane encloses the animal cell. It controls the movement of materials into and out of the cell. The Nucleus controls the activities of the cell. These cellular activities require energy. The Mitochondria extract energy from food molecules to provide the energy needs of the cell. Animal cells must also synthesize a variety of proteins and other organic molecules necessary for growth and repair. Ribosomes produce these proteins. The cell may use these proteins or move them out of the cell for use in other cells. To move organic molecules, the cell contains a complex system of membranes that create channels within the cell. This system of membranes is called the endoplasmic reticulum.

## Target: Factory

Security guards monitor the doors of the factory. They control the movement of people into and out of the factory. Factory activities may be coordinated by a control center. These activities require energy. The electrical generators in the factory provide energy. The factory synthesizes products from raw materials using machines. The factory has hallways to move products through it.



# Problem Formulation

**Entities:** Let  $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}, T = \{t_1, \dots, t_m\}$  – entities in the domains (**nouns**).

**Relations:** Let  $\mathcal{R}$  – set of relations – a set of **ordered** entity pairs.

- We focus on **verbs**. (e.g, “*mitochondria provides energy*”)
- Let  $\mathcal{R}(e_1, e_2) \subseteq 2^{\mathcal{R}}$  – set of relations between two entities.

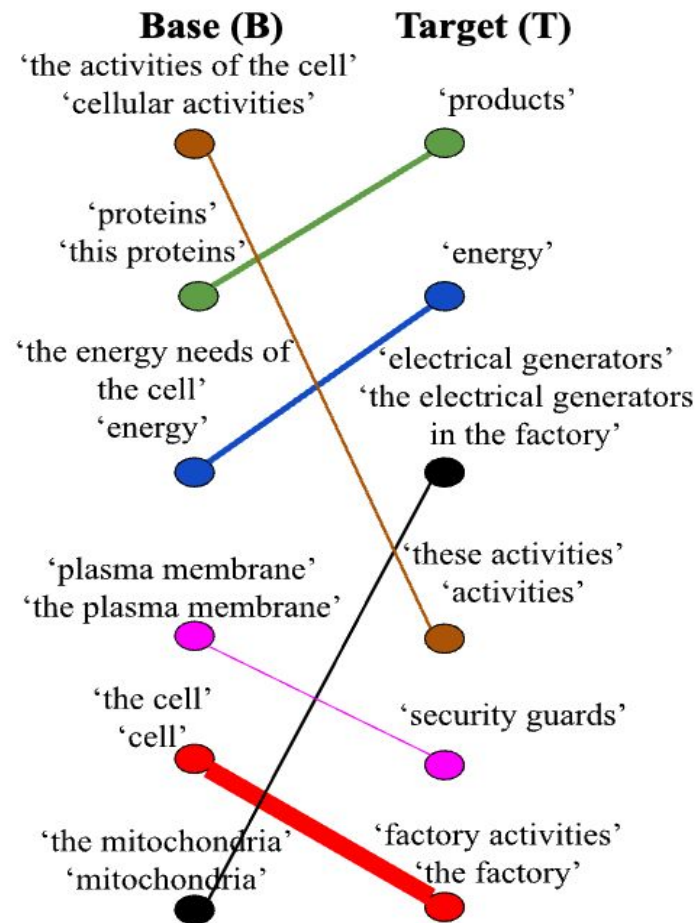
**Similarity:** Let  $sim : 2^{\mathcal{R}} \times 2^{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ – similarity metric between two sets of relations. High **Similarity**  $\leftrightarrow$  two sets **share many distinct** relations.

$$sim^*(b_i, b_j, t_k, t_l) = sim(\mathcal{R}(b_i, b_j), \mathcal{R}(t_k, t_l)) + sim(\mathcal{R}(b_j, b_i), \mathcal{R}(t_l, t_k)) \quad (1)$$

**Objective:** find a **consistent mapping** function  $\mathcal{M} : B \rightarrow T \cup \perp$

- We look for a mapping that maximizes the **relational similarity** between mapped entities:

$$\mathcal{M}^* = \arg \max_{\mathcal{M}} \sum_{\substack{j \in [1, n-1] \\ i \in [j+1, n]}} sim^*(b_j, b_i, \mathcal{M}(b_j), \mathcal{M}(b_i)) \quad (2)$$



# Our Method – Analogous Matching Algorithm



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graph LR; A[Text processing] --> B[Structure Extraction]; B --> C[Clustering Entities]; C --> D[Find Mappings];
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Text processing

Structure Extraction

Clustering Entities

Find Mappings

# Text Processing

- **Chunking** the sentences in the input.
- Resolve **pronouns**
  - Apply **co-reference model** (*Kirstain, 2021*) which generates clusters (e.g, “the plasma membrane“, “plasma membrane“, “**it**“)
  - Replace all **pronouns** by a **representative** from the cluster – the shortest string which isn’t a **pronoun** or a **verb**.

# Structure Extraction

- **Q:** How can we know that **entities** in the domains **play similar roles**?
- **A:** We need to **extract the structure** in the texts (**entities** and their **relations**).

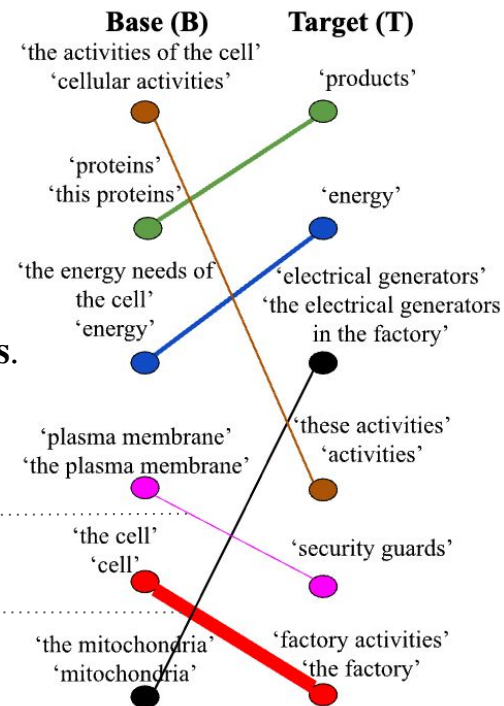
- **Semantic Role Labeling (SRL)** (*Gildea and Jurafsky, 2002*)

- **QA-SRL model** (*FitzGerald, 2018*)

- **Input:** A sentence. **Output:** questions and answers about the sentence.
- The **answers** form the **entities**.
- **Similar questions** between the domains, indicate that entities **play similar roles**.

- **Considerations for extracting useful relations:**

- Filter “When”, “Where”, “Why” questions.
- Filter “Be” verbs.
- Filter questions and answers with low probability.



# Clustering Entities – Agglomerative Clustering (*Zepeda-Mendoza and Resendis, 2013*)

## The animal cell

- 1) 'system of membranes', 'a complex system of membranes', 'this system of membranes', 'membranes', 'complex system of membranes'.
- 2) 'food molecules', 'organic molecules'.
- 3) 'energy', 'the energy needs of the cell'.
- 4) 'these proteins', 'proteins'.
- 5) 'animal cells', 'animal cell', 'the animal cell'.
- 6) 'these cellular activities', 'cellular activities', 'the activities of the cell'.
- 7) 'the cell', 'cell'.
- 8) 'nucleus', 'the nucleus'.
- 9) 'endoplasmic reticulum', 'the endoplasmic reticulum'.
- 10) 'mitochondria', 'the mitochondria'.
- 11) 'channels'.
- 12) 'the plasma membrane', 'plasma membrane'.
- 13) 'the activities'.
- 14) 'ribosomes'.
- 15) 'movement of materials', 'the movement of materials'.

## The factory

- 1) 'factory activities', 'the factory'.
- 2) 'the electrical generators', 'the electrical generators in the factory', 'electrical generators'.
- 3) 'the doors', 'the doors of the factory'.
- 4) 'these activities', 'activities'.
- 5) 'hallways'.
- 6) 'machines'.
- 7) 'raw materials'.
- 8) 'energy'.
- 9) 'the movement of people'.
- 10) 'products'.
- 11) 'security guards'.
- 12) 'a control center'.

# Find Mappings

- **Problem 1**: QA-SRL cannot detect relations across sentences, or using complex references.

*“Animal cells must also produce proteins and other organic molecules necessary for growth and repair. Ribosomes are used for this process” / “The factory synthesizes products from raw materials using machines”*

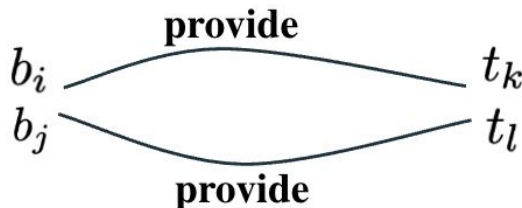
- We would like to infer that *ribosomes* **produce** *proteins* and *machines* **synthesize** *products*.
- QA-SRL gives us partial information: both *proteins* and *products* are associated with similar questions (**what is produced?**, **what is synthesized?**), hinting they might play similar roles.
- **Problem 2**: QA-SRL mentions just one entity per question.
- **Solution**: we propose a heuristic approach to approximate Equation 1.

# Find Mappings

- Intuitively, the **similarity score between two entities in the domains** is high if the similarity between their **associated questions** is high (e.g, **cell** and **factory** have multiple distinct similar questions).
- We define **similarity score between two entities in the domains** := the **sum** of the **cosine distances** over their associated **questions' SBERT embeddings**.
  - We filter distances below a **similarity threshold** (manually fine-tuned)
- Increasing the score for both mappings of **complete relations** (same verb)

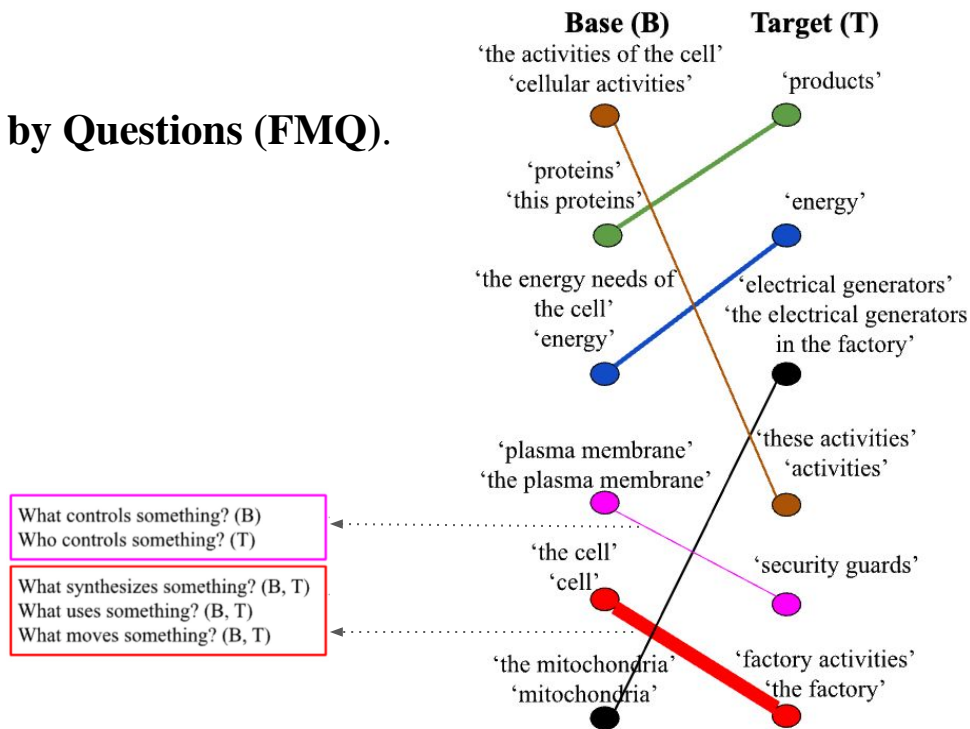
What **provides** something?

What does something **provide**?



# Beam Search

- After computing all similarities, we use beam search to find the mapping  $\mathcal{M}^*$
- The mapping should be **consistent**.
- Our method is **interpretable**.
- We call our method: **Find Mappings by Questions (FMQ)**.



# Experiments

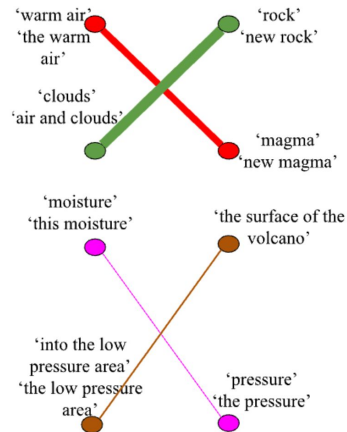
- **RQ1:** Can we leverage our algorithm for **retrieving analogies** from a large dataset of procedural texts?
- **RQ2:** Does our algorithm produce the **correct mapping solution**?
- **RQ3:** Is our algorithm **robust to paraphrasing** the input texts?
- We tested our ideas on **ProPara** dataset (*Dalvi, 2018*) of crowdsourced paragraphs describing **processes**. (e.g, “What happens during photosynthesis?”) were given to 1-6 workers each.

**PROMPT: Describe the process by which hurricanes form**

Warm water floats up from the ocean.  
A pocket of low pressure air is created near the surface of the ocean.  
Warm air from outside areas pushes into the low pressure area.  
The warm air keeps rising and forms clouds. The wind is getting fed moisture that evaporates from the ocean. This moisture causes the swirling air and clouds to grow bigger.  
As it gets bigger the wind rotates faster.

**PROMPT: What causes a volcano to erupt?**

Magma rises from deep in the earth. The magma goes into volcanos. The volcanos pressure the magma upwards.  
The pressure causes the magma to push through the surface of the volcano. The lava cools. The lava forms new rock. New magma is pressured to the surface of the volcano.  
The volcano bursts through the rock that formed after the last eruption.



# Experiment I: Mining Analogies – Setup

- **Goal:** Find analogies in the ProPara dataset.
  - Rank all **76K** possible pairs of paragraphs, so that analogies rise to the top.
- **Ranking formula:** multiplying #mappings by the median similarity.  $|M| * \text{median}(\text{scores}(M))$
- **Baselines:** **to the best of our knowledge, there is no baseline that solves our task.**
  - **SBERT** (*Reimers and Gurevych, 2019*)
  - **Find Mappings by Verbs (FMV)**
- **Annotation:** top **100** pairs, as well as **40** pairs from all quartiles (bottom, middle, 25% and 75%)
  - **260** annotated pairs for each method's ranking list (**702** unique).

# Experiment I: **Mining Analogies** – Labels

Label	Description
<b>Not analogy</b>	The texts are not analogous to each other.
<b>Self analogy</b>	Entities and their roles are identical (paragraphs on the same topic).
<b>Close analogy</b>	A close topic, entities from a similar domain.
<b>Far analogy</b>	Unrelated topics with different entities.
<b>Sub analogy</b>	Only a part of one process is analogous to a part of the other ( $\geq 2$ similar relations).

# Experiment I: Mining Analogies – Examples

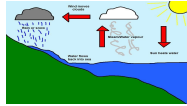
Examples for analogies mined by our method (FMQ):

**B1 Prompt:** Describe how oxygen reaches cells in the body



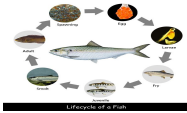
Self analogy

**B2 Prompt:** How does rain form?



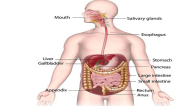
Close analogy

**B3 Prompt:** Describe the life cycle of a fish.



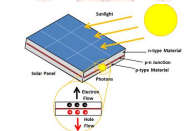
Far Analogy

**B4 Prompt:** How does the digestive system work?



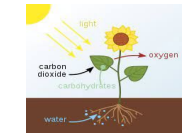
Far analogy

**B5 Prompt:** How does a solar panel work?



Far analogy

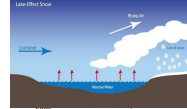
**B6 Prompt:** What happens during photosynthesis?



Not analogy



**T1 Prompt:** What do lungs do?



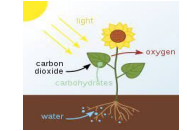
**T2 Prompt:** How does snow form?



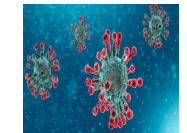
**T3 Prompt:** Describe the life cycle of a butterfly.



**T4 Prompt:** How does weathering cause rocks to break apart?



**T5 Prompt:** What happens during photosynthesis?

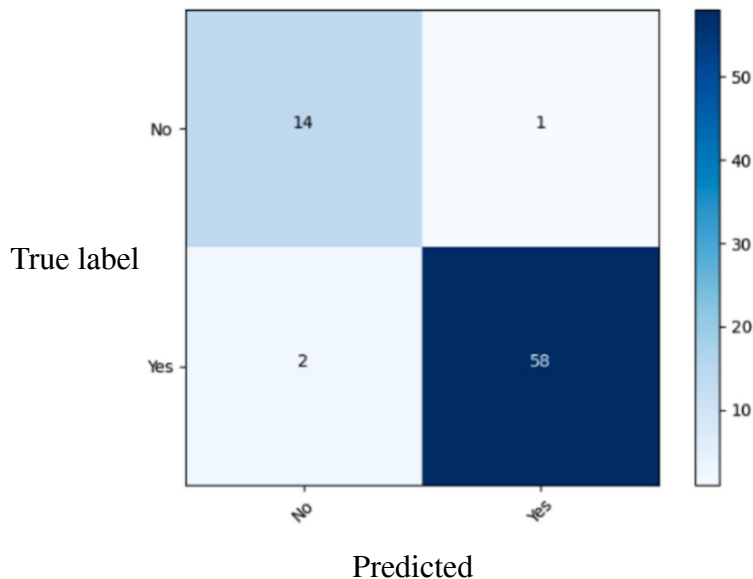


**T6 Prompt:** How does a virus infect an animal?

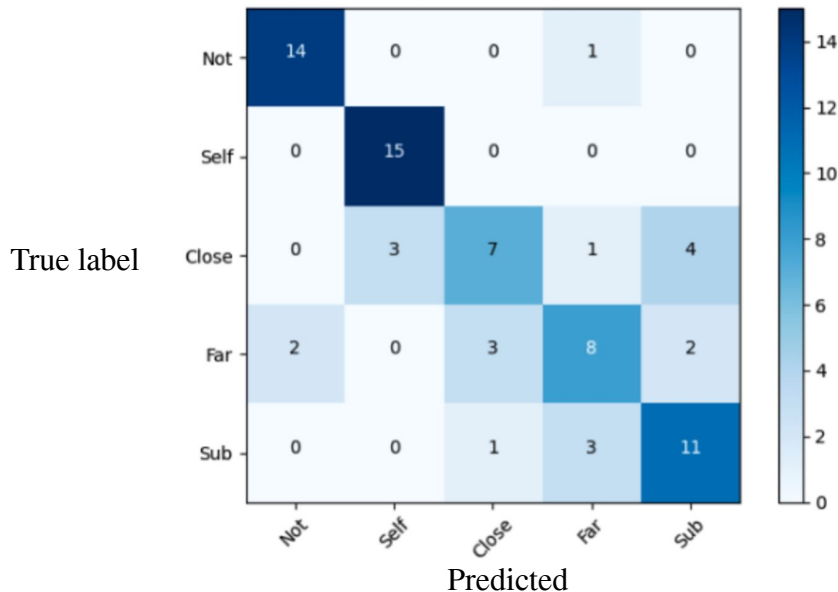
# Experiment I: **Mining Analogies** – Annotation Process

- Our annotator (member of our team) annotated **702** unique pairs of paragraphs.
- **Goal:** to assess the clarity and consistency of our annotation scheme.
  - Our annotator (**=GT**), annotators (**=Predictions**)
- **Check 1: agreement with another annotator of our team** (**10** pairs, **2** for each label)
  - **90%** agreement.
  - **Cohen's Kappa** of **0.74** for 2-labels and **0.88** for 5-labels. (mismatch in sub vs not analogy)
- **Check 2: 15** volunteer annotators
  - **Training** – **two** examples **for each label** with the **correct label** and **explanation**.
  - **Test** – we sampled from our annotator **5** pairs for each label, resulting in **25** pairs of paragraphs.
  - Each volunteer annotator received **5** pairs, s.t each pair is assigned to **3** annotators.

# Experiment I: Mining Analogies – Annotation Process



**Accuracy:** 0.96, **Fleiss Kappa:** 0.82 (almost perfect)



**Accuracy:** 0.73, **Fleiss Kappa:** 0.58 (good)

- We conclude from the two sanity checks that our annotation schema is overall effective.

## Experiment I: Mining Analogies – Results

- All methods had **zero** analogies in the 25%, middle, 75%, and bottom samples.
- **At the top:** SBERT was able to find almost only paragraphs on the same topic (self-analogies), our method was able to find many close and far analogies.

Method	Not	Sub	Self	Close	Far
SBERT	0	0	89	11	0
FMV	28	15	26	20	11
FMQ	21	16	29	18	16

Top-100 of the ranking

- **Analogies prevalence in data: ~3%**
- We also show that FMQ wins FMV in terms of **IR metrics** (P, AP, NDCG)
  - Supporting our intuition that questions are more useful than verbs alone.

## Experiment I: Mining Analogies – Results

Method	P	AP	NDCG
FMV (@25)	0.68	0.36	0.4
(@50)	0.72	0.37	0.41
(@75)	0.71	0.36	0.43
(@100)	0.72	0.36	0.43
FMQ (@25)	<b>0.96</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.57</b>
(@50)	<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.52</b>
(@75)	<b>0.77</b>	<b>0.39</b>	<b>0.47</b>
(@100)	<b>0.79</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.49</b>

- For NDCG we defined gains of 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 for not, sub, self, close, and far respectively.
- FMQ > FMV in all 3 metrics, supporting our intuition that questions are more useful than verbs alone.

# Experiment II: Evaluating the Mappings – Setup

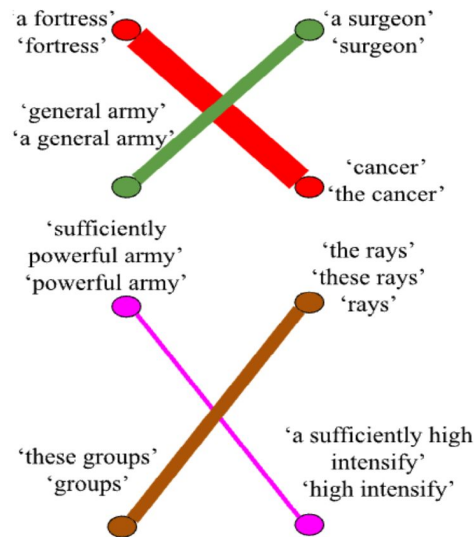
- We chose **15** analogous pairs of paragraphs from **ProPara**
  - Equally divided between close, self, and far analogy.
  - We assigned one pair for every annotator, and asked them to find the correct mapping between the entities.
- Different kind of data – **14** pairs of **analogous stories** from cognitive-psychology literature.
  - We assigned these stories to 14 annotators, and asked them to do the same.

## Base: The general

A general was trying to destroy a fortress which was situated at the center of a country with roads leading to it, by using his army. He needed to use his army as a complete group in order to destroy the fortress. However, he could not march his army down a road to the fortress because the roads were mined to explode when large groups of men passed over them. After considerable thought, he knew just what to do. He divided his army up into small groups of men, and by sending these groups, simultaneously, from a number of different directions, they converged on the fortress, making up a sufficiently powerful army to destroy it.

## Target: The surgeon

A surgeon was trying to destroy a cancer which was situated in the central region of a patient's brain, by using a type of ray. He needed to use these rays at a high intensity in order to destroy the cancerous tissue. However, at such an intensity the healthy brain tissue will also be destroyed. After considerable thought, he knew just what to do. He divided the rays up into batches of low-intensity rays, and then by sending them, simultaneously, from a number of different directions, they converged on the cancer, making up a sufficiently high intensity to destroy it.



## Experiment II: **Evaluating the Mappings** – Annotation process

- We showed them **two** examples of correct mappings with explanations.
- We emphasized that the mappings should be **consistent** and based on **roles entities play** in the texts.
- We consider the annotator's mappings as **GT** and the algorithm's mappings as **predictions**.

## Experiment II: Evaluating the Mappings – Results

Dataset	Method	P	R	F1
ProPara	FMV (@1)	0.48	0.33	0.39
	FMQ (@1)	<b>0.82</b>	<b>0.64</b>	<b>0.72</b>
	FMV (@3)	0.58	0.40	0.47
	FMQ (@3)	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.76</b>
Stories	FMV (@1)	0.64	0.46	0.54
	FMQ (@1)	<b>0.88</b>	<b>0.68</b>	<b>0.77</b>
	FMV (@3)	0.73	0.52	0.61
	FMQ (@3)	<b>0.94</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>0.84</b>

- Our method (**FMQ**) achieves a very high precision on **both datasets**!
- **FMQ** > **FMV**: Richer information provided by the questions.

## Experiment III: **Robustness to Paraphrases** – Automatic paraphrases

- We chose **10** paragraphs which are **not analogous** to each other.
- For each paragraph, we generated **4 paraphrases** using **wordtune** – **two long** and **two short** versions (**50** paragraphs, or **1225** possible pairs).
- We labeled the **100** pairs that came from the same original paragraph with the label **True**, and the rest as **False**.
- We ranked all pairs via SBERT, FMV and FMQ.

**Original paragraph:** How do lungs work?

You breathe air in. Air enters bronchial tubes. Air is then split into the bronchioles of each lung. Bronchioles have alveoli which are tiny air sacs. Alveoli is surrounded by many small blood vessels. Oxygen passes through alveoli into blood vessels. Blood leaves the lungs as it travels through the body. Blood carries carbon dioxide back to the lungs. Carbon dioxide released when you exhale.

**Wordtune expand:**

When you breathe in, you are taking in air. Through your bronchial tubes, air enters your lungs. After the air has passed through the bronchial tubes, it is divided into the bronchioles of each lung. Alveoli, which are tiny sacs of air, are situated in the bronchioles. The alveoli are surrounded by a big number of small blood vessels. It is through these blood vessels that oxygen moves into the alveoli. In the course of its journey through the body, the blood enters through the lungs. When blood returns to the lungs, it takes carbon dioxide along with it. It is this carbon dioxide that is released when you breathe out.

**Wordtune short:**

Breathing air in. Bronchial tubes obtain air. Lungs split air into bronchioles. Alveoli are tiny air sacs in the bronchioles. Small vessels nearby alveoli. Alveoli grab oxygen to blood vessels. As blood passes through the body, it leaves the lungs. CO2 is carried by blood to the lungs. CO2 is discharged when you breathe out.



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# Experiment III: Robustness to Paraphrases – Responses to the same prompt

- We chose **10 non-analogous** paragraphs, and randomly chose **5** authors for each (**50** paragraphs, **1225** pairs, **100** analogous).
- Now texts are more **natural**, but can be **non-paraphrasing** anymore.  
(authors can focus on different aspects or granularity)

**Original paragraph:** Describe the life cycle of a human

A human baby develops in the womb of the mother. After 9 months in the womb the baby is born. It is an infant. The infant is dependent on its parents for everything. It drinks mother's milk for nourishment. From 3-8 years old the child is in early childhood. Adolescence is from roughly 9-18 years old. During adolescence the child is growing rapidly and maturing sexually. At 18 years, the child becomes an adult. Adults can reproduce and have babies.

**V1:**

A human is born. The human is an infant. The infant grows into a toddler. The toddler grows into a child. The child grows into a teenager. The teenager grows into an adult. The adult grows old. The human dies.

**V2:**

A human is born. The human is a child and learns. The human child grows into an adult. The adult uses its skills to survive. The human starts a new family and propagates. The human grows old. The human dies.

**V3:**

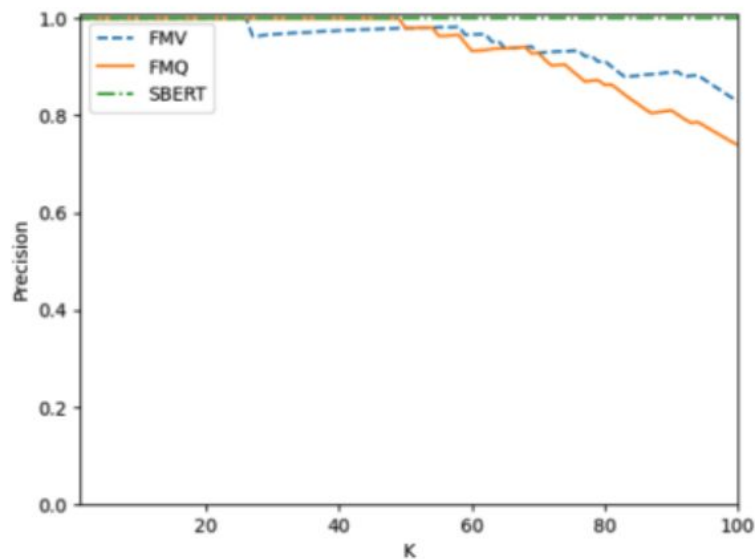
A zygote is formed via sexual reproduction. This zygote grows in the womb to become a fetus. After a typical 9-month period, a human is born. The human is an infant at this stage. The infant becomes a toddler, and learns to walk and speak. The toddler becomes a child. The child becomes a teenager after undergoing puberty. The teenager grows into an adult. The adult hits a peak, and development stops. Old age and eventually death occur.

**V4:**

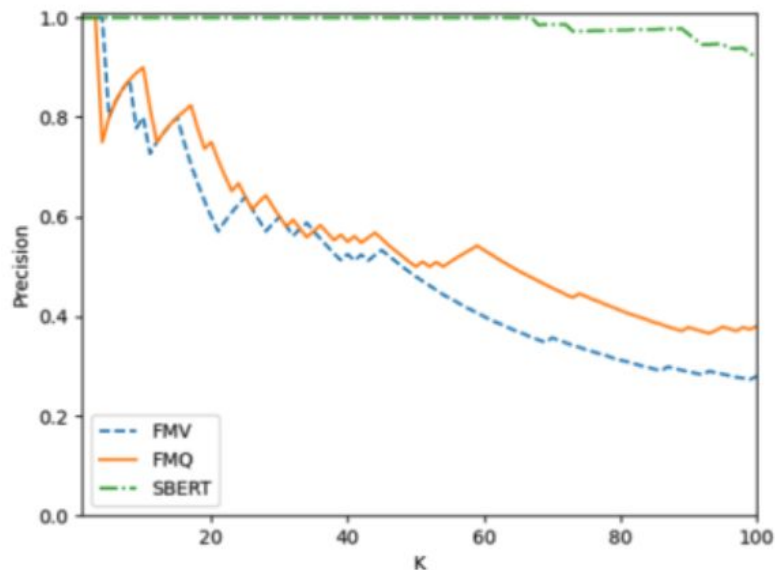
A sperm fertilizes an egg. The egg forms into a fetus. 9 months passes as the fetus grows into an infant. The infant is born. The baby begins to grow into an adolescent. The adolescent turns into a young adult. The young adult learns and grows into a fully mature adult.

# Experiment III: Robustness to Paraphrases – Results

Automatic paraphrases



Responses to the same prompt



# Experiment III: Robustness to Paraphrases – Error Analysis

- **False-Positives (FP)**

- Non-analogous texts with similar verbs
- QA-SRL handling of phrasal verbs (“take care”, “take off”)
- Repeating verbs
- Extraction issues (e.g, “Water, ice, and wind hit rocks” lead to singleton entities and “water, ice, and wind”, resulting in **double counting**).

- **False-Negatives (FN)**

- Mistakes by wordtune (e.g., expanding “the water builds up” to “Nitrates build up in the body of the water”)
- Mistakes in the GT – pairs of paragraphs describing the same topic from different points of view.

**V1: how does internal combustion engine work?**

Air and fuel are **used** in the internal combustion engine. In an enclosed chamber, a mixture of air and fuel is **injected**. The mixture **ignites** and **turns** a piston that **pumps** up and down. This piston is **connected** to a crankshaft which **rotates** to **provide** the power. The burned gas is **pushed** out of the chamber.

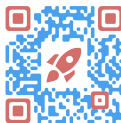
**V2: how does internal combustion engine work?**

The piston **moves** down. Gasoline and air **go** into the engine. The piston **moves** back up. The gasoline and air are **compressed**. The spark plug **emits** a spark. The gasoline **explodes**. The explosion **forces** the piston down. The exhaust valve **opens**. Exhaust **goes** to the tailpipe.

# Conclusions

- Analogies are important for **humans** and **AI**.
- We explored analogies between **procedural texts** expressed in **natural language**.
- We develop a **scalable, interpretable** method to find **mappings** based on **relational similarity**.
- Our method was able to **mine different type of analogies** (in contrast to **SBERT**).
- Our method produced the correct mappings on both **ProPara** and the **Stories**.
- We showed our method is **robust to paraphrasing**.

Website



Data & Code



Paper



Video



# Analogy Generation – Motivation



- **Why?**
  - The lack of more complex analogies (paragraph-level) dataset, makes the field's progress limited.
- **How?**
  - GPT-3 / ChatGPT show powerful generation capabilities.
  - Can it generate analogies?

## Part 1: (Noisy) Data Generation Pipeline

**Positive  
Samples**

(Noisy) Data  
Generation

Automatic  
Filtering

Human  
Validation

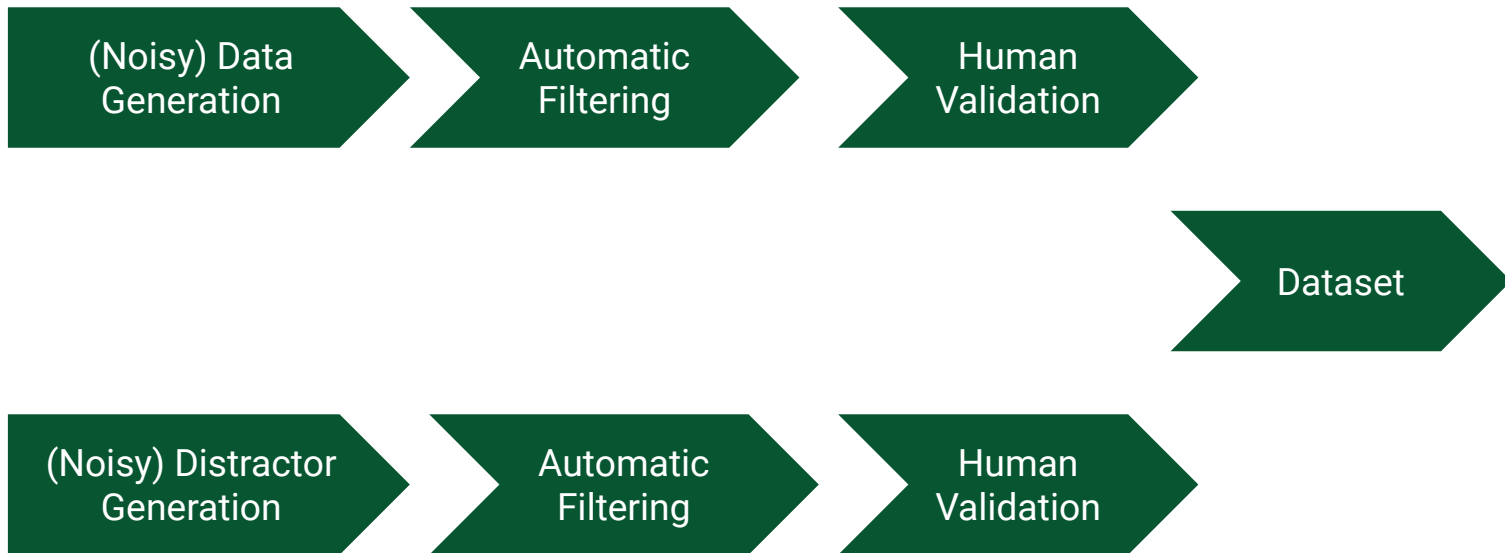
Dataset

**Negative  
Samples**

(Noisy) Distractor  
Generation

Automatic  
Filtering

Human  
Validation



# Dataset Generation – Design Choices

- Generating both Base and Target **vs. generating only Target** (given a dataset)
- One prompt for both finding analogy and writing the paragraph, **vs. separate tasks**
- Target domain: no limitation **vs. specific domain** (Zoology) **vs. broad domain** (Engineering)
- Generating the mappings **vs. relations** **vs. both**

# Dataset Generation – Analogous processes for **ProPara**

- **Input:** 390 source paragraphs
- **Output:** 4680 “analogous” paragraphs
  - 3 different analogies in 4 different domains:  
(Engineering, Natural Science, Social Science, Biomedical and Health Science)
  - 12 analogies for every one of the 390 source paragraphs.
- **Method:** GPT-3 (text-davinci-003)

# PROMPT 1 – Finding an analogous target process

- **Instructions...**
- **One-shot example:**

## **Inputs:**

**BASE:** How does the electrical circuit works?

**TARGET\_DOMAIN:** One of the fields of Engineering

## **Outputs:**

**TARGET:** How does a mechanical system of water pump works?

**TARGET\_FIELD:** Mechanical Engineering

## **SIMILAR\_RELATIONS:**

(battery, generates, electrical voltage) like (pump, generates, pressure)

(electrons, move through, copper wire) like (water, move through, pipe)

(resistor, decrease, voltage rate) like (valve, decrease, flow rate)

## PROMPT 2 – Writing a paragraph

- **Instructions...**
- **One-shot example:**

### **Inputs:**

**SUBJECT:** How does the electrical circuit work?

### **RELATIONS:**

(battery, generates, electrical voltage)

(electrons, move through, copper wire)

(resistor, decrease, voltage rate)

### **Outputs:**

### **PARAGRAPH:**

The battery generates electrical voltage. This voltage creates a potential difference that causes electrons to flow through the circuit. The electrical voltage causes electrons to move through the copper wire. The electrons pass through the resistor. The resistor presents a higher resistance to the flow of electrons, which causes a decrease in the voltage of the circuit.

# A sample from the dataset

id	source_subject	source_domain	target_domain	target_subject	target_field	relations
112	What happens during photosynthesis?	Natural Sciences	Engineering	How does a solar cell convert light energy into electrical energy?	Electrical Engineering	(chlorophyll, absorbs, sunlight) like (semiconductor, absorbs, light energy) (carbon dioxide, reacts with, water) like (electrons, react with, electric field) (glucose, produces, oxygen) like (electric current, produces, energy)

source_paragraph	target_paragraph
<p>During photosynthesis, chlorophyll absorbs sunlight, which is used to break down water and carbon dioxide molecules.</p> <p>The energy from the sunlight is used to react the carbon dioxide with the water and produce glucose.</p> <p>The process also releases oxygen as a byproduct.</p>	<p>A solar cell is composed of a semiconductor material that absorbs light energy. When the light energy is absorbed, the electrons of the semiconductor react with the electric field and become energized. The energized electrons then flow through the cell, producing an electric current that can be used to produce energy.</p>

# Limitations & Failures of GPT-3

- **Misinformation**

- "The droplets eventually become too heavy for the air to hold and rise higher into the atmosphere, where they form clouds". It is incorrect, as droplets fall toward the ground.

- **Cyclic / non-cyclic processes**

- Source: "What happens during the water cycle?" GPT-3 find the following:
  - "How does the process of human migration work?"
  - "How does the human body's digestive system work?"

- **Weak analogy - partial relations and dissimilar relations**

- **Incorrect & Inconsistent mappings**

# Automatic Filtering & Human Validation

- **Why?**

- Most of the samples generated are not analogous.
- Our aim is to reduce the dataset to include mostly analogous pairs.
- Use Mechanical Turk to validate the filtered data.

- **How?**

- Annotate a sample from the (noisy) generated data (40 samples)
  - Strict label policy: Analogy if all 3 annotators agree
  - Annotator's Agreement: ~70%, Analogies: ~35%
- Build a classifier – ChatGPT with few-shot, fed with label and explanation on sampled data.
  - We care much more on minimizing the False-Positives.
- Apply the classifier on all the (noisy) generated data

# Distractors – different cause-effect relationship

## Base story

Boris and Ivan thought well of one another's skill in business and resolved to open up a store together. As ill luck would have it, **Ivan was quite absent-minded and he threw out a large amount of cash. This annoyed Boris who therefore demanded that Ivan have nothing to do with the monetary matters of their new store.**

## True - analogous story

John and Christine loved each other and decided to be married. Unfortunately, **Christine was so reckless that she accidentally dented John's new car. This upset John, so he insisted that she never drive his car again.**

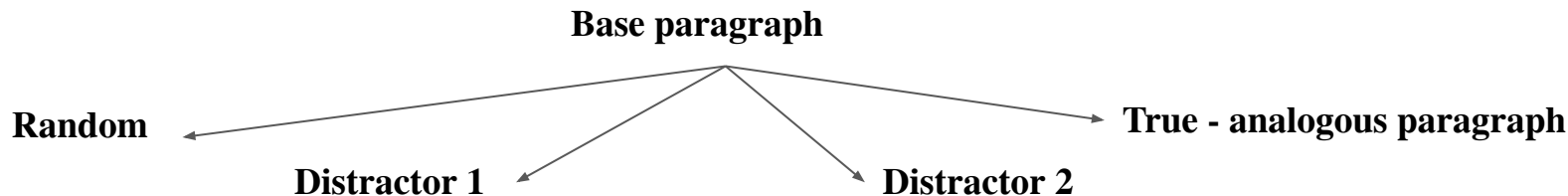
## Distractor

John and Christine loved each other and decided to be married. Unfortunately, **John discovered that Christine was a very reckless driver. So he insisted that Christine never drive his new car. This upset Christine so much that she dented John's new car,** hoping that John would be hurt.

## Part 2: Potential Tasks

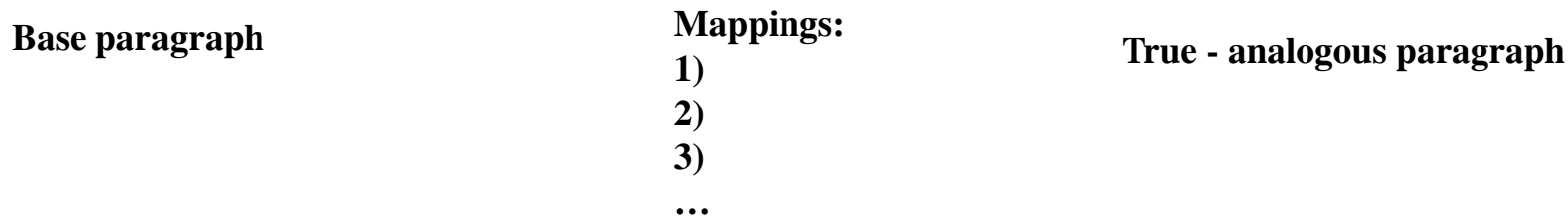
- **Analogy Detection: (multi-choice)**

Given a source paragraph. What is the most analogous target paragraph?



- **Analogy Explanation**

Given two analogous paragraphs. What are the correct mappings between entities?



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- **How?** By Utilizing GPT-3/ChatGPT in a **noisy generation pipeline** and **human validation**.
- **How to generate False samples (distractors)**.
- **Multi-choice analogy detection** and **analogy explanation** tasks on our dataset.

# Real World Applications

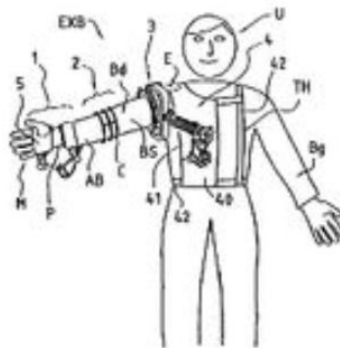
- **Computer-assisted creativity:** engineers and designers could find inspiration in distant domains.

**Paper:** Accelerating Innovation Through Analogy Mining (**Best paper, KDD 2017**)

**Seed:** Cell phone charge case that acts like a secondary battery for your phone when charge is running low



**Inspiration:** Human pulley-powered generator suit



**Idea:** A case that tracks steps and generates power using your movement

# Real World Applications

- **Finding analogies among research papers:**

**Paper:** Solvent: A mixed initiative system for finding analogies between research papers (**ACM 2018**)

Scientific discoveries are often driven by finding analogies in distant domains, but the growing number of papers makes it difficult to find relevant ideas in a single discipline, let alone distant analogies in other domains. To provide computational support for finding analogies across domains, we introduce Solvent, a mixed-initiative system where humans annotate aspects of research papers that denote their background (the high-level problems being addressed), purpose (the specific problems being addressed), mechanism (how they achieved their purpose), and findings (what they learned/achieved), and a computational model constructs a semantic representation from these annotations that can be used to find analogies among the research papers. We demonstrate that this system finds more analogies than baseline information-retrieval approaches; that annotators and annotations can generalize beyond domain; and that the resulting analogies found are useful to experts. These results demonstrate a novel path towards computationally supported knowledge sharing in research communities.

BACKGROUND

PURPOSE

MECHANISM

FINDINGS

- **Social-media:** connecting between people that work on a similar problem in different fields.



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*Thank You!*