Text-in-Context: Token-Level Error Detection for Table-to-Text Generation

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Inputs

- (i) Rotowire basketball data
- (ii) data **descriptions** generated by neural NLG systems

Outputs

factual **errors** in the descriptions detected on token-level

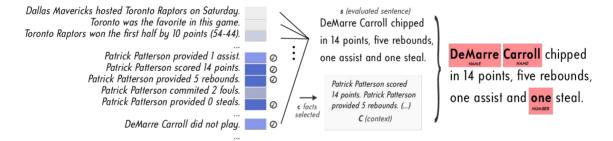
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How-to in three steps:

① Generate facts from the input table with a rule-based NLG system.

Team	Win	Loss	Pts		simple (hand-crafted templates)	compact (FORGe system)			
Mavericks	31	41	86		• Toronto Raptors won the first half by 10 points (54-44).	The Toronto Raptors, which were leading at halftime by 10 points (54-44), defeated			
Raptors	44	29	94	_	Toronto Raptors beat Dallas Mavericks	the Dallas Mavericks by 8 points (94-86).			
					by 8 points (94-86). 				
Player	AS	RB	PT		Patrick Patterson scored 14 points.	Patrick Patterson provided 14 points			
Patrick Patterson	1	5	14		 Patrick Patterson provided 5 rebounds. Patrick Patterson provided 3 defensive rebounds. 	on 5/6 shooting, 5 rebounds, 3 defensive rebounds, 2 offensive rebounds and 1 assist.			
Delon Wright	4	3	8	_	 Patrick Patterson provided 2 offensive rebounds. 				
					Patrick Patterson provided 1 assists.				

2 Select the relevant subset of facts based on the similarity of sentence embeddings (the fact vs. the checked sentence).



3 Train Roberta to label the tokens with error categories based on the selected subset of facts (=context) on human-annotated data from organizers & synthetic from RotoWire train set.

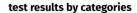
Results:



out of 4 automatic metrics in the Shared Task.

dev results - F1 score													
	simple							compact					
		synth		sy	nth+hum	an		synth		sy	nth+hum	ian	
EMR c	10	20	40	10	20	40	10	20	40	10	20	40	
25%	0.232	0.231	0.268	0.506	0.573	0.613	0.278	0.303	0.264	0.620	0.634	0.650	
50%	0.272	0.271	0.294	0.519	0.559	0.603	0.297	0.310	0.296	0.617	0.639	0.619	
75 %	0.360	0.373	0.353	0.521	0.549	0.573	0.367	0.370	0.388	0.630	0.629	0.620	

c = context size (# selected facts). EMR = synth data error level (% replaced entities)



error	recall	precision
NAME	0.750	0.846
NUMBER	0.777	0.750
WORD	0.514	0.483
CONTEXT	0.000	-
NOT_CHK.	0.000	-
OTHER	0.000	-
Overall	0.691	0.756



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https://github.com/kasnerz/accuracySharedTask_CUNI-UPF