

Semantic Parsing for Natural Language Reasoning and Question Answering

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Abstract:

Semantic Parsing is a valuable but elusive technology in the realm of Natural Language Processing. If accomplished, semantic parsing allows to represent the meaning of text using precise logical formulas that elicit concepts, their relations and quantifications. In this talk, I will distinguish between grounded and ungrounded semantic parsing. With the former, we gain the capability to produce natural language interfaces to knowledge bases and execution; with the latter, we are capable of reasoning in a deductive fashion. I will present our approaches to semantic parsing and their application to Natural Language Reasoning and Question Answering.

About the speaker:

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