Paraphrasing and Plagiarism Detection Typologies Corpora NLP Approaches The WRPA System

Paraphrasing Potential Applications for Plagiarism Detection

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Paraphrasing is a linguistic ability used in plagiarism. To plagiarize involves, on many occasions, paraphrasing.

Hamlet's pretense of madness
 Hamlet adopts a pretense of madness¹

¹http://www.princeton.edu/pr/pub/integrity/08/plagiarism/

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- Paraphrasing corpora
- NLP approaches to paraphrasing
 - → A number of techniques and corpora can also be useful in plagiarism detection

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They got married last year They got married in 2004 Emma cried Emma burst into tears

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The pilot was having breakfast The commander was having breakfast

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I want some fresh air Could you open the window?

She used to *only* eat hot dishes She used to eat *only* hot dishes

Do you like French movies? Are you interested in French cinema?

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Let's put it in order!

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State of the Art

Paraphrasing typologies:

• Dras (1999): syntactic paraphrases

Fuijta (2005): lexical and structural paraphrases

Paraphrasing of common nouns to their synonyms (Fujita and Inui, 2001; Yamamoto, 2002b; Okamoto et al., 2003)

s. kyuryo-ni kinenkan-ga kansei-shi-ta.
hill-LOC a memorial hall-NOM to build up-PAST
A memorial hall was completed on the hill.
t. takadai-ni kinenkan-ga kansei-shi-ta.
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Paraphrasing typologies:

Bhagat (2009): lexical and structural paraphrases

Semantic implication: Replacing a word or a phrase denoting an action, event etc. by a word or phrase denoting its possible future effect, in the appropriate context, results in a paraphrase of the original sentence of phrase. This may be accompanied by the addition/deletion of appropriate function words and sentence restructuring. This often generates a quasi-paraphrase.

Accompanying structural changes: Substitution, Addition/Deletion, Permutation.

Example:

Google is in talks to buy YouTube. ⇔ Google bought YouTube.
The Marines are fighting the terrorists. ⇔ The Marines are eliminating the terrorists.

 Žolkovskij and Mel'čuk (1965, 1966, 1967) and Milićević (2007): syntactic and semantic paraphrases a republic/a republican state:

$$C_0 \Leftrightarrow Gener(C_0) \xrightarrow{ATTR} A_0/Adv_1(C_0)$$

State of the Art

Problems:

- They do not cover the paraphrasing phenomenon as a whole
- Tied to a specific linguistic theory and formalism
 - ightarrow Meaning-Text Theory in Žolkovskij and Mel'čuk, and Milićević

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¹Examples extracted from Bhagat (2009), Dras (1999), Fuijta (2005), Pustejovsky (1995) and ourselves.

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- → I lost interest in the endeavor I developed disinterest in the endeavor
 - ? WordNet, dictionary of antonyms, thesaurus

- Actant-Action Substitution
 - → I dislike rash drivers I dislike rash driving
 - **✓** Lemmatizer

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 - ightarrow I dislike rash **driving**
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 - → Mary is John's student John teaches Mary
 - ✓ Argument structure

Use of the GL lexical entries (Pustejovsky, 2005) for paraphrasing

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Teach} \\ & \text{ARGSTR} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{ARG}_1 = \boxed{1} & \text{[teacher]} \\ & \text{ARG}_2 = \boxed{2} & \text{[student]} \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{QUALIA} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{AGENT} = \text{teach_act} & (e_1, \boxed{1}, \boxed{2}) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- Word-Definition Substitution
 - → Temporary space for rubble and scrap wood Temporary space for rubble and wood that became unnecessary
 - ✓ MRD, WordNet

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- Deletion recoverable by coercion
 - → John began reading a book John began a book
 ✓ Qualia

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- Syntactic transformation
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 - → The laundry sways in the breeze The breeze makes the laundry sway
 - ✓ Diathesis alternations, Dras (1999)

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 - The student copied the critical diagrams before returning the book
 Before returning the book, the student copied the critical diagrams
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Corpora

Corpora used for paraphrasing treatment:

Parallel corpora (multiple parallel translations, source)

Barzilay and McKeown (2001)

Comparable corpora (newspaper articles, same event)
 Barzilay, McKeown and Elhadad (1999)

Bilingual parallel corpora (source – translation)

Zhao et al. (2009)

Monolingual corpus

Bhagat and Ravichandran (2008)

Wikipedia

Vila, Rodríguez and Martí (2010)

Web

Dolan, Quirk, Brockett (2004)

Paraphrasing corpora:

- Microsoft Research Paraphrase Corpus
 Dolan, Brockett and Quirk (2005)
- Barzilay and Lee (2003)
 http://www.cs.cornell.edu/Info/Projects/NLP/statpar.html
- CoCo interface

España et al. (2009)

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	Current Task: Paraphrasing > Modify <
Evaluate an existing pair	
Choose Sentence 1 from Microsoft corpus and Sentence 2 from Users generated	d (EN) 💠
Select sentences: Randomly Sequentially Filtering	
START >	
Sentence 1 Other, more traditional tests are also available.	
	4
Sentence 2 You can find more traditional tests as well.	
Are they paraphrases? O YES O NO	
Why?	<u>//</u>
	SUBMIT
	* FINISH *

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lome | Goals | Statistics | Tasks Current Task: Relational Paraphrasing Generation Search & Modify Evaluation 1: Authorship relation? Evaluation 2: Paraphrases? Authorship paraphrasing Authorship Generation Fill in all or some of the gaps: (Scroll down to see already available sentences) Proposal Frida Kahlo Las dos Fridas SUBMIT DISCARD * FINISH * All the available examples of this pair: Frida Kahlo es autora de Las dos Fridas La mexicana Frida Kahlo pintó Las dos Fridas Frida Kahlo, autora de Las dos Fridas La mexicana Frida Kahlo pintó Las dos Fridas en 1939 La mexicana Frida Kahlo es la autora de Las dos Fridas Frida Kahlo pintó Las dos Fridas en 1939 La pintora Frida Kahlo es la autora de Las dos Fridas Frida Kahlo es la autora de Las dos Fridas La mexicana Frida Kahlo es la autora de Las dos Fridas (1939) Frida Kahlo pintó Las dos Fridas (1939) Frida Kahlo es la autora, entre otras obras, de Las dos Fridas La mexicana Frida Kahlo , autora de Las dos Fridas , nació en 1907 Frida Kahlo, autora de Las dos Fridas, nació en 1907 Frida Kahlo pintó la famosa obra Las dos Fridas La artista Frida Kahlo pintó Las dos Fridas La artista mexicana Frida Kahlo es la autora de Las dos Fridas

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Distributional Hypothesis (Harris, 1954

Words that occur in the same contexts tend to have similar meanings.

The students solved the problem
The students found a solution to the problem

Bhagat and Ravichandran (2008)

Extended Distributional Hypothesis (Lin and Pantel, 2001)

Paths that link the same sets of words tend to have similar meanings.

The students \leftarrow N:subj:V \leftarrow solved \rightarrow V:obj:N \rightarrow the problem
The students \leftarrow N:subj:V \leftarrow find \rightarrow V:obj:N \rightarrow solution \rightarrow N:to:N \rightarrow the problem

Matching

Strings that share a high number of units tend to have similar meanings.

- Bag of words (NEs)
- N-grams

DATE: NUM1 are killed and around NUM2 injured when suicide bomber blows up his explosive-packed belt at X1 in X2.

palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up at X1 in X2 DATE, killing NUM1 and wounding NUM2 police said.

Barzilay and Lee (2003)

Edit distance (Levenshtein Distance)

Strings separated by a small edit distance tend to have similar meanings.

Dolan, Quirk and Brockett (2004)

Multiple translation

Strings resulting from the translation of another string in another language are paraphrases.



Barzilay and McKeown (2001)

Zhao et al. (2009)

Rule application

To check if strings satisfy a set of (manually) created paraphrasing rules.

Head omission: group of students/students **Ordering of sentence components**: Tuesday they met.../They met ... Tuesday

Barzilay, McKeown and Elhadad (1999)

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WRPA

A System for Relational Paraphrase Acquisition from Wikipedia

Vila, Rodríguez and Martí (2010)

Relational Paraphrases

Paraphrases expressing a relation between two entities *Source*, Target>.

- Cervantes wrote El Quijote/El Quijote by Cervantes
- Joan Ponç was born in Barcelona/Barcelona, Joan Ponç's home town

Hypothesis

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Our hypothesis:

same *Sources* and *Targets* ↔ paraphrase candidates

AUTHOR WORK wrote The designer of WORK **AUTHOR** was WORK was created by **AUTHOR AUTHOR** . inventor of WORK WORK **AUTHOR** by

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WRPA-Relational Paraphrase Aquisition from Wikipedia

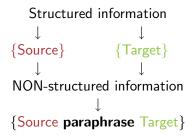


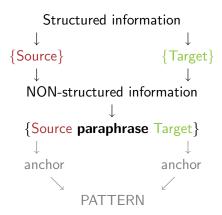
Wu y Weld (2007, 2010)

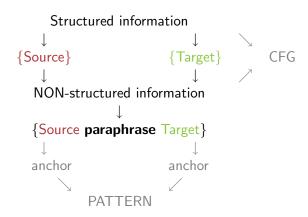
→ Wu, Hoffmann y Weld (2008)

WRPA	Others
Complex relations	Simple relations
+ Other sections	+ Infoboxes
Paraphrasing	Information Extraction

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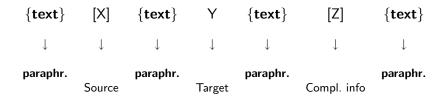


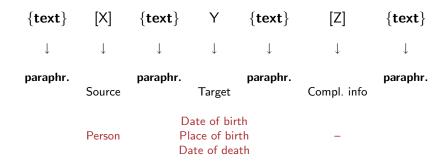


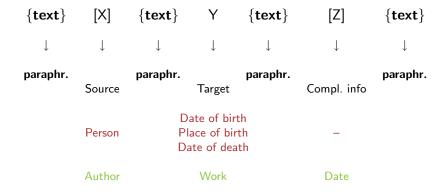
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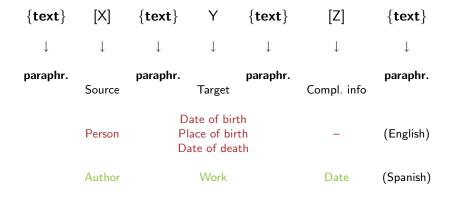
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Authorship

- Complex relation (painters, sculptors, architects, writers, composers, singer-songwriters, directors, philosophers, inventors and scientists).
- Rich casuistic of manifestations.
 - ightarrow Appropriateness of this relation for research in paraphrasing.

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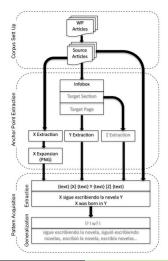
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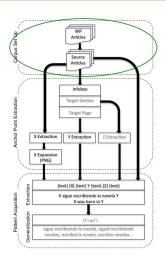


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System scheme





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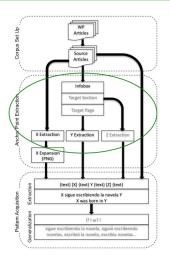
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Authors

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*A category of authors does not exist in the Spanish Wikipedia \rightarrow done manually



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Y and Z Extraction

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- 'Work' attribute in infoboxes.
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- Work pages
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- * The Spanish Wikipedia is smaller.
- * Most author pages lack an infobox.
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Anchor Point Extraction

Paul Auster:

Infobox 0

Work section 33 (25 correct)

Work page 18 (all correct)

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Authorship

Canaletto La Riva degli Schiavoni

(1730-31)

Edgar Allan Poe [[Eureka]]

Luis Eduardo Aute Templo de carne (1986)

Date of birth

David Kaye [[October 14]], [[1964]]

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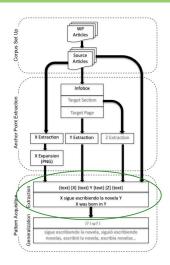
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[[Pesaro]]

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Authorship

- X sigue escribiendo la novela Y
- 2 X comenzó a grabar su álbum debut, "Y"
- 3 X dirigió 'Educando a Rita" (YEAR) y "Y"

Date of birth

- 4 X known as PERSON was born in Y
- 5 X was born in Y
- 6 X was born in PLACE on Y

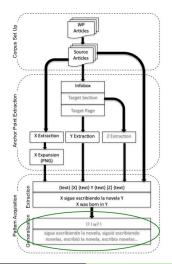
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- 7 X DATE-Y
- 8 X DATE to Y
- 9 X PERSON DATE Y

Place of death

- 10 X born DATE in Y
- 11 X DATE in Y
- 12 X DATE Y

Pattern Generalitzation



Pattern Generalitzation

To gather the variants of a generic pattern (only for authorship).

- To lemmatize and PoS tag the patterns (Freeling).
- To represent each pattern as a sequence of <word, lemma, PoS> tuples.

Word	sigue	escribiendo	la	novela
Lemma	seguir	escribir	el	novela
PoS	v	v	da	nc

 To use an A* approach until achieving n matches with other patterns.

Pattern Generalitzation

 Each state is represented as a sequence of tuples consisting of a token (word, lemma or PoS) and a condition (obligatory, skippable or omitted):

Initial state	<sigue:w> <escribiendo:w> <la:w> <novela:w></novela:w></la:w></escribiendo:w></sigue:w>			
Matching pattern	sigue escribiendo la novela			
Generalization	<sigue:1?> <escribiendo:l> <la:w?> <novela:l></novela:l></la:w?></escribiendo:l></sigue:1?>			
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Evaluation

Precision

To apply each pattern to its original page and verify whether the output is a Y (or a variant) of the corresponding infobox (correct Ys).

Recal

Person: To apply the pattern to its original page and verify whether the output is a Y (it can be applied to that page).

Conservative assumption: all the pages contain a Y.

Baseline

Person: The most frequent pattern.

Results

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		Top 3 patterns	0.95	0.42	0.58
		Baseline	0.95	0.21	0.34
		X born DATE in Y	0.98	0.13	0.23
	Place of birth	X DATE in Y	0.94	0.10	0.18
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