

Cross-lingual NER Model Performance in Low-Resource Languages with Lexical Divergence

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Abstract

To better tackle the named entity recognition (NER) problem on languages with little/no labeled data, cross-lingual NER must effectively leverage knowledge learned from source languages with rich labeled data. Previous works on cross-lingual NER are mostly based on label projection with pairwise texts or direct model transfer. However, such methods either are not applicable if the labeled data in the source languages is unavailable, or do not leverage information contained in unlabeled data in the target language. In this paper, we propose a teacher-student learning method to address such limi

1 Introduction

This paper examines: Single-/Multi-Source Cross-Lingual NER via Teacher-Student Learning on Unlabeled Data in Target Language. Research question: How do the F1 score gains of teacher-student cross-lingual NER models compare to direct transfer methods when evaluated on low-resource languages with varying degrees of lexical divergence?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 11 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 8.8/10.

3 Results

11 papers retrieved. 7 claims extracted; 7 independently verified. Quality review score: 8.8/10.

4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

5 Extracted Claims

Claim	Verified	Confidence
Cross-lingual NER must effectively leverage knowledge learned from source languages with rich labeled data to tackle the	✓	0.42
Previous works on cross-lingual NER are mostly based on label projection with pairwise texts or direct model transfer.	✓	0.34
Label projection methods are not applicable if the labeled data in the source languages is unavailable.	✓	0.31
Direct model transfer methods do not leverage information contained in unlabeled data in the target language.	✓	0.36
The proposed teacher-student learning method works for both single-source and multi-source cross-lingual NER.	✓	0.42
For multi-source cross-lingual NER, the proposed method includes a similarity measuring method to better weight the supe	✓	0.36
Extensive experiments for 3 target languages on benchmark datasets demonstrate that the proposed method outperforms exis	✓	0.42

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