Discourse-based Learner Error Detection

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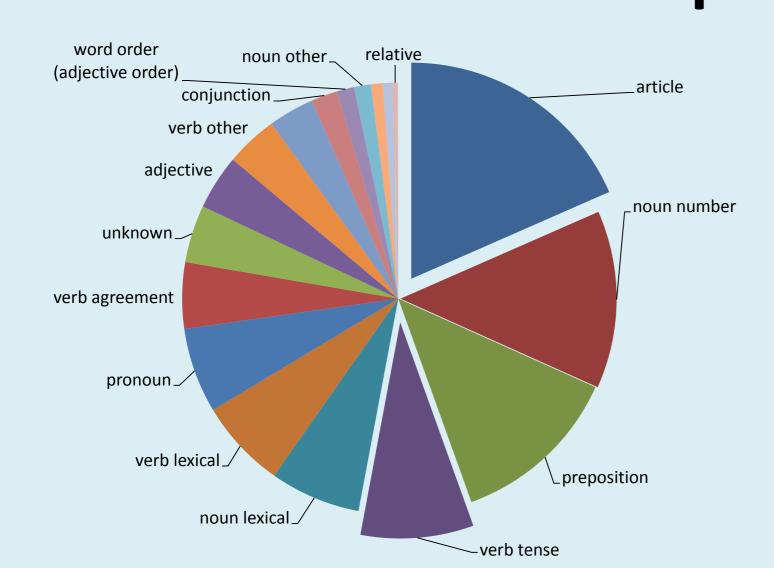
- Error Detection and Correction Workshop 2012
- EDCW shared task:
- Verb track (Subject-verb agreement errors)
- Preposition track
- Open track (all types of errors)
- Participation in EDCW shared task

何が分かる?

- Need of tools for the detection and correction of grammatical errors.
- Existing technology is not perfect.
- Article errors, verb-tense errors, ... require discourse information.
- Discourse information was used to correct verb-tense errors.
- Temporal reasoning is necessary.

Methods

Konan-Jiem learner corpus



My hobby is playing basketball, watching baseball and walking to eat. I have played basketball since ten years ago.

But I <v_tns crr="have not played">don't play</v_tns> basketball recently. I want to play basket ball but I'm busy.

I like <at crr="the"></at> HANSHIN Tigers very much.

So I often watch <at crr="">the</at> baseball <n_num crr="games">game</n_num>. I went to watch <at crr="the"></at> Tigers <prp crr="on">at</prp> October 20. I enjoyed it very much.

I want to watch <pn crr="them"></pn> next year.

I like <at crr="" ch="2">a</at> <n_num crr="sweets">sweet</n_num>.

I often go to eat <at crr="">a</at> desert after school.

Error Detection System

And I went there.

Input sentences

Phrase-Chunking (Genia Tagger)

Sentence Analysis (clause, subject, verb, temporal clue, ...)

Discourse-based verb-tense ED

Article and noun number ED

Verb-agreement ED

There are some men ekiin.

And/CC [NP I/PRP] [VP went/VBD] [ADVP there/RB] ./. [NP There/EX] [VP are/VBP] [NP some/DT men/NNS and/CC ekiin/NN]./.

And/CC [NP I/PRP]_subject [VP went/VBD]_verb [ADVP there/RB] ./. [NP There/EX]_subject [VP are/VBP]_verb [NP some/DT men/NNS and/CC ekiin/NN] ./.

And/CC [NP I/PRP]_subject [VP went/VBD]_verb [ADVP there/RB] ./. [NP There/EX]_subject [VP are/VBP]_verb [NP some/DT men/NNS and/CC ekiin/NN] ./.

The current verb's tense CONFLICTS with the previous verb's tense -> ERROR!

Discourse-based Verb-tense Error Detection

Verb form – Tense Mapping

do do n't ... VB → SIMPLE_PRESENT is am are ... VBG → PRESENT_PROGRESSIVE will|shall ... VBZ|VBP → SIMPLE_FUTURE has | have ... VBN → PRESENT_PERFECT VBD → SIMPLE_PAST

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Temporal Clue – Tense Mapping

sometimes → SIMPLE PRESENT currently → PRESENT_PROGRESSIVE soon → SIMPLE FUTURE recently → PRESENT_PERFECT yesterday → SIMPLE_PAST

- Verb tense is dependent on the tentative temporal semantics of an event.
- Temporal clues constrain the verb tense.
- Verb tense of a clause is preserved if there is no temporal clue.
- If a clause contains a verb tense error, it is not used for error detection of the following clause.

Results and Analysis

VERB-TENSE ONLY

F = 0.117 P = 0.088 R = 0.173

OPEN TRACK – DRY RUN

F = 0.230 P = 0.310 R = 0.183

OPEN TRACK – FORMAL RUN

F = 0.122 P = 0.192 R = 0.089

A temporal clue can go with many tenses.

- Writers do not use adverb clues.
- Writers mix facts, past events and present events in a discourse.
- → Discourse-continue assumption is broken.
- Inference is required to understand writers' intention.

For ten years: present perfect or past perfect?

I **had practiced** for ten years. → Did he stop practice?

was very happy in this summer vacation.

Because I like to travel, <con crr="">so</con> I traveled to a lot of places.

I went to Okayama, Hiroshima, Shiga, Ehime and Tokyo.

My friends live <prp crr="in"></prp> these places.

I played with my friends.

Tokvo is very noisy, but very interesting.

This summer vacation: He is telling about recent ly past events. He went to O, H, S, E and T to visit his friends, so his friends must be living there at present. → Present(live)

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