Learning to Deceive Knowledge Graph Augmented Models via Targeted Perturbation

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KG-Augmented Neural Models



extracted from ConceptNet

Figure Credit: Feng, et al., 2020

KG-Augmented Commonsense QA



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Question: **Do KG-augmented** models use KG info in a way that makes sense to humans?

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Experiment 1: Measure how well **KG**-augmented models perform using perturbed KGs.



downstream test

performance (original KG)

downstream test performance (perturbed KG)

performance gap = ?

Problem Setting



KG Perturbation Methods



Results: Commonsense QA



Performance on the **OBQA** dataset across various perturbation methods, using the **MHGRN** model (Feng, et al., 2020).

Surprisingly, RL-RR performs roughly as well as Original KG!

Experiment 2: Ask humans to rate KG explanation paths that KG-augmented models found helpful.

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Results: Human Evaluation



Readability/Usability of *top-scoring* paths from original KG and RL-RR, using **MHGRN** on **OBQA**.

Both readability and usability are measured on a **[0, 1] scale**.

Humans struggle to read/use explanation paths that were helpful for MHGRN.

Conclusion: No, KG-augmented models do not use KG info in a way that makes sense to humans.

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 - **plausible**: convincing to *humans*
 - **faithful**: reflective of the *model's reasoning process*

Thank You!