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Unified Line and Paragraph Detection by Graph Neural Networks

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Agenda

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Problem Statement

Given Properly connected word-level bounding boxes for a document, output line-level and paragraph-level clusters



Left: word-level bounding boxes which do not necessarily correspond to words or characters Right: word-level bounding boxes with proper connections (2-hop β -skeleton Graph)

Related Work — Layout Analysis

- Using heuristic algorithms to get line-level clusters (e.g. Text Flow [1])
- Clustering line-level bounding boxes into clusters [2]
- Image-based detection models [3]



A difficult handwriting example for Text Flow

[1] Shangxuan Tian et al. Text Flow: A Unified Text Detection System in Natural Scene Images. In Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision, 2015

[2] Renshen Wang et al. Post-OCR Paragraph Recognition by Graph Convolutional Networks. In Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision, 2022.

[3] Xu Zhong et al. Publaynet: Largest dataset ever for document layout analysis. International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition, 2019

Related Work — Graph Convolutional Networks



GCN prediction – box left

• **box_left(b1, b2)**: **1** if **b1** and **b2** are in the same line and **b1** is adjacent to **b2** to the left, **0** otherwise





GCN boxes and box_left labels

GCN prediction – box_above

 box_above(b1, b2): conditioned on b1 being the first box in a line, 1 if b1 and b2 are in the same paragraph and b1 is in a line that is directly above the line b2 is in.



GCN boxes and **box_above** labels

GCN prediction – box_below

 box_below(b1, b2): conditioned on b1 being the first box in a line, 1 if b1 and b2 are in the same paragraph and b1 is in a line that is directly below the line b2 is in.



GCN boxes and box_below labels

Do we really need both box_above and box_below?

• **box_below** fails but **box_above** succeeds



The left image shows the graph edges. **box_below** could miss the connection between the first two lines (middle image), but this could be complemented by **box_above** (right image).

Do we really need both box_above and box_below?

• **box_above** fails but **box_below** succeeds



The left image shows the graph edges. **box_above** could miss the connection between the first two lines of paragraphs (right image), but this could be complemented by **box_below** (middle image).

GCN prediction visualization

- Blue: box_left
- Magenta: box_above/box_below

created by Nevel Entertainment¹⁴. The senes addition, there are 20 storytimes and 10 Christmas story characters and plots. A show called Christmas Storytime aired The series was ast between 13 June of the Cheepies channel in April 2005. Roly wase regular storyteller broad In the trish republic, chapeterin the better on Funbles show, and 2007 Boly No Show draws heavily on this. The show is i≘ Contents √

The Roly Mo Show was broad ast on Network 2 (late changed to RTE2 in 2004) as part of a lineup of programmes for younger childen salled The Den and started along on 20 January 2003.

Forming lines and paragraphs

Forming Lines

- 1. Initially all GCN boxes belong to a different line.
- 2. Iteratively, if **box_left(b1**, **b2**) = 1, then merge **b1** and **b2** into the same line.
- 3. A GCN box **b** is identified as the first box of a line if there is no **b'** such that **box_left(b'**, **b)** = 1.

Forming Paragraphs

- 1. Initially all lines belong to a different paragraph.
- Iteratively, if box_above(b1, b2) = 1 or box_below(b1, b2) = 1, then merge b1's line and b2's line into the same paragraph.

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eet Team 2000). litional surveillance is the emphasis on data gration across health, human exposure, d hazard information ersteme (Figure 1). The summer of build a surface of COMPT and the in the first national effort to provide the Inited States with standardized data from uhiple-health, exposure, and hazard-infortion systems, that includes linkage of these to a part of regular surveillance activities. he network builds on separate ongoing intra within the public health and environntal sectors to improve health surveillance. ard monitoring, and response capacity CDC 2004; U.S. EPA 2004a). This system vill be used to identify potential relation ween exposure and health conditions that identications do not for all binned monarch equire intervention to prevent disease. tubility, and injury.

Network Vision and Strategy

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Building Bridges

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Fundamental Flaws of Hormesis for Public Health Decisions

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can only be justified if there is an understand

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Health-decisions-based on-beneficial effects must

address all the induced effects by that agent.

Examples cited to support the incorporation

Hornesis (defined operationally as here dose etimalation, high-dose (addition) is often used to promote the notion that while high level expresses to toxic chemicals could be detrimental to names health, how-lovel exponence would be beneficial. Some prepresents chim hormosis is an adapive, generalizable phenomenon and argue that the default assumption for eick assuments double for that main chemicals induce stimulatory (i.e., "heneficial") effects of low experience. In more cases remototonic data response curves are called hormotic responses even in the absence of any mechasinic characterization of that response. Use of the term "homeoix," with its associated descriptors. detructs from the broader and more important questions regarding the frequency and interpret of measurements down responses in biological systems. A honor understanding of the biological basis and consequences of monomonomic doce-response curves is warranted for evaluating human health rida. The assumption that hormonic is generally adaptive is an oversimplification of complex hickogiad processes. Even if cartain how dow effects were manetimes considered beneficial, this double and shows we have decisive to draw because the second contraction to train and contracted spens, given factors such as interindividual differences in succeptibility and multiplicity in orpamen-In-this commentary we evaluate the hormosic hypothesis and potential adverse conceptor of incorporating how-door hearfield effects into public health-decisions. Key words hiphasic her repears homein indvidud exceptibility, law-day exposure, nonnonomic day reponse. confineur dass response, public health, regulation, visk usessment. Eurisen Health Perspect 113-1274-3276 (2005)-doi-10-12891/dap.7011-available-via-fatpatide-doi-org/(Ordine-16-June-2005)

ble attention over the past several year (Kaiser 2003a, 2003b). A recent literature much in the PubMed database on the term "hormesis" yielded 215 papers published etween 2000 and 2004 compared to 116 published in 1999 and earlier (PubMed 2005). a several commentation and reviews, horme is defined as low dose stimulation, highdose inhibition has been used to promote the motion that low-level exposures to known mie chemicale enald he "heneficial" to human while (Calaberry and Baldwin 2003); Bennet 2004)-For example, is has been proposed that

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Health decisions based on beneficial from m address the fact that other environmental and workslass managers may also the low door repense of a single agent. Expression in the real world do me occur to single substances but missares of rosicants that can intera with each other or affect different steps multistage disease processes. The mix of chemicals that individuals are exposed a varies depending on the names of their work. indoor home environment, drinking wate supply, fand sources, school environment and where they socialize, in addition to Effected choices such as dist. Indibios. Impiers practices, and other factors such as the use of prescription and over the counter drugs Margover, many of these compounds car affect the same target tissues by either similar or different machanisms of action.

intures. Our commentary focuses on the The Concept of Hormesis As an evaluation of the hormosis hypothesis and con-Adaptive Response Does Not equences of incorporating low-dow-beneficial Adequately Consider Underlying How into public health decisions, with special Mechanisms of Action

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Experiments — Successful Real-World Examples



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Show-Me Sentences Handout

In the table below, there are two columns—one containing a telling sentence and one containing a space for rewriting that sentence into a descriptive scene. Rewrite each telling sentence into one or several sentences that recreate the scene more vividly. Think of word choice and use senses (e.g. smell, touch, sight, taste, sound) to show the scene—feel free to invent details within your revised sentences.

Showing Sentence The grass caressed his feet and a smile softened his eyes. A hot puff of air brushed against his wrinkled cheek as the sky paled yellow, then crimson, and within a breath, electric indigo.				



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