The 13th Linguistic Annotation Workshop

Proceedings of the Workshop

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Introduction to the Workshop

The Linguistic Annotation Workshop (LAW) is organized annually by the Association for Computational Linguistics’ Special Interest Group for Annotation (ACL SIGANN). It provides a forum to facilitate the exchange and propagation of research results concerned with the annotation, manipulation, and exploitation of corpora; work towards harmonisation and interoperability from the perspective of the increasingly large number of tools and frameworks for annotated language resources; and work towards a consensus on all issues crucial to the advancement of the field of corpus annotation. These proceedings include papers that were presented at LAW XIII, held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL) in Florence, Italy, on August 1, 2019.

The series is now in its thirteenth year. The first workshop took place in 2007 at the ACL in Prague. Since then, the LAW has been held every year, consistently drawing substantial participation (both in terms of paper/poster submissions and participation in the actual workshop) providing evidence that the LAW’s overall focus continues to be an important area of interest in the field.

This year’s LAW has received 52 submissions, out of which 28 papers have been accepted to be presented at the workshop, 10 as talks and 18 as posters. In addition to oral and poster paper presentations, LAW XIII also features an invited talk by Rebecca Passonneau and a discussion session.

Our thanks go to SIGANN, our organizing committee, for its continuing organization of the LAW workshops, and to the ACL 2019 workshop chairs for their support. Also, we thank Jet Hoek, the LAW XIII publications chair, for her invaluable help with these proceedings. Most of all, we would like to thank all the authors for submitting their papers to the workshop, and our program committee members for their dedication and their thoughtful reviews.

Special Theme: Marking of information quality in discourse

This special theme considers the marking of information quality in discourse, i.e., annotations that mark how the speaker/writer expresses assessments. These assessments may be explicit and/or implicit in discourse, and may reflect positions, beliefs, opinions, appraisals and/or assessments about written or spoken propositions, for example, how a politician shows in discourse the degree of truthfulness in one of his/her electoral promises, or how a reporter shows his/her degree of belief in what the politician stated. This might include the annotation of devices such as hedges (“Donald claims that the crowd size, if you can really trust him to measure it, was enormous.”), committed belief (“The winners of the contest will be announced tomorrow.”) or attitudes (“It is with great sadness that we have learnt about the death of 6 people in the accident.”).
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Breakfast is served from 7.30am to 9.00am.

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09:45–10:00 Crowdsourced Hedge Term Disambiguation
Morgan Ulinski and Julia Hirschberg

10:00–11:00 Poster session 1
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11:40–12:00 Annotating and Analyzing the Interactions between Meaning Relations
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12:00–12:15 CCGweb: a New Annotation Tool and a First Quadrilingual CCG Treebank
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12:15–14:00 Lunch break
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14:40–14:55 Tagging Modality in Oceanic Languages of Melanesia
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15:00–16:00 Poster session 2
Coffee & snacks are served from 15.30-16.00

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*Explaining Simple Natural Language Inference*
Aikaterini-Lida Kalouli, Annebeth Buis, Livy Real, Martha Palmer and Valeria de-Paiva

*On the Role of Discourse Relations in Persuasive Texts*
Ines Rehbein

*One Format to Rule Them All – The Emtsv Pipeline for Hungarian*
Balázs Indig, Bálint Sass, Eszter Simon, Iván Mittelholcz, Noémi Vadász and Márton Makrai

*Turkish Treebanking: Unifying and Constructing Efforts*
Utku Türk, Furkan Atmaca, Şaziye Betül Özateş, Abdullatif Köksal, Balkiz Ozturk Basaran, Tunga Gungor and Arzucaan Ö zgür
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A Dataset for Semantic Role Labelling of Hindi-English Code-Mixed Tweets
Riya Pal and Dipti Sharma

A Multi-Platform Annotation Ecosystem for Domain Adaptation
Richard Eckart de Castilho, Nancy Ide, Jin-Dong Kim, Jan-Christoph Klie and Keith Suderman

A New Annotation Scheme for the Sejong Part-of-speech Tagged Corpus
Jungyeul Park and Francis Tyers

A Turkish Dataset for Gender Identification of Twitter Users
Erhan Sezerer, Ozan Polatbilek and Selma Tekir

Comparative Judgments are More Consistent than Binary Classification for Labelling Word Complexity
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Toward Dialogue Modeling: A Semantic Annotation Scheme for Questions and Answers
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Towards a General Abstract Meaning Representation Corpus for Brazilian Portuguese
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