SpatialSense: An Adversarially Crowdsourced Benchmark for Spatial Relation Recognition

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1. Mapping the Predicates from VRD and VG to SpatialSense

In section 4.1, in order to make the three datasets comparable, we map the spatial predicates in VRD and Visual Genome to their equivalents in SpatialSense. Here we describe the detailed mapping in Table A.

SpatialSense	above	behind	in	in front of	next to	on	to the left of	to the right of	under
VRD	above, over	behind, stand	in, inside	in the front of	sleep next to,	on, on the	on the left of	on the right of	under, stand
		behind, sit be-			sit next to,	top of, sit			under, sit
		hind, park be-			stand next	on, stand on,			under, below,
		hind			to, park next,	drive on, park			beneath
					walk next	on, lying on,			
					to, beside,	lean on, sleep			
					walk beside,	on, rest on,			
					adjacent to	skate on			
VG	above, above	behind, are	in, are in, are	in front of, are	next to, are	on, are on, are	are left of, in	are to right of,	under, are un-
	a, above an,	behind, are	in a, are in an,	in front of, are	next to, are	on a, are on	left, in left	on right, on	der, are under
	above the,	behind a, be-	are in the, fly-	in front of a,	next to a, are	an, are on the,	side of, left	right of, on	a, are under
	are above, are	hind a, behind	ing in, hang-	in front of a,	next to the,	growing on,	of, left side	right side, on	an, below, be-
	above a, is	an, behind	ing in, in a,	in front of an,	beside, is next	hanging on, is	of, on left,	right side of,	neath, is un-
	above, on top	the, is behind,	in an, in the,	in front of the,	to, is next to	on, is on a, is	on left of, on	right of, right	der, is under
	of, over	is behind the,	inside, inside	is in front of	the, next to	on the, laying	left side of, to	side of, to	the, under a,
		on back of	of, is in, is in		a, next to an,	on, lying on,	left, to left of,	right, to right	under an, un-
			a, is in the,		next to the,	on a, on a a,	to left of a	of, to right of	der the, un-
			laying in, sit-		standing next	on an, on are,		а	derneath
			ting in, walk-		to	on front of, on			
			ing in			the, painted			
						on, parked			
						on, printed			
						on, sitting on,			
						sitting on top			
						of, standing			
						on, walking			
						on, written on			

Table A: We map the spatial predicates in VRD and Visual Genome to our predefined list of 9 predicates. We mannually check all predicates in VRD to figure out the mapping. For Visual Genome, since there is no closed vocabulary, we examined the top-100 most frequent predicates.

2. Model Architectures

We describe in details the architectures of the models used in our submission (Fig. A, B, C and D). We always add batch normalization [Ioffe and Szegedy, 2015] and ReLU [Nair and Hinton, 2010] non-linearity after each parametric layer except the output. Word embeddings are 300-dimensional and computed by a pretrained Word2Vec [Mikolov et al., 2013] model. All models are implemented using Pytorch [Paszke et al., 2017].



Figure A: In **adversarial crowdsourcing** (section 3 in our submission), the architecture of the robot is an ensemble of a language-only model and a 2D-only model. The language-only model takes two object names along with the predicate ("microwave oven", "on", "counter"), and outputs a score for the relation to hold (1.54). The word embeddings of object names are encoded into 512-dimensional vectors by a gated recurrent unit (GRU) [Cho et al., 2014] of 512 hidden units. The same GRU is shared between the subject and the object. The one hot encoding of the predicate is mapped to a 512-dimensional vector by a linear layer. The three feature vectors are fused by element-wise addition, on top of which a 2-layer fully connected network (with 256 hidden units) outputs the score. For the 2D-only model, linear layers map the object coordinates to 512-dimensional vectors, and others remain the same. The final output is the average of these two models.



Figure B: When **classifying the predicates in** *VRD-Spatial*, *VG-Spatial* **and** *SpatialSense-Positive* (table 1 in our submission), we also have a language-only model and a 2D-only model. The architectures are similar to the robot; but there are three differences: (1) The branch for the input predicate is removed, since the task now is to predict the predicate. (2) The output layers now have dimension 9 instead of 1. (3) The object 2D locations are encoded by bounding boxes.



Figure C: These are the **language and 2D baselines for spatial relation recognition** (section 5 in our submission), which are also used when **quantifying the effect of adversarial crowdsourcing** (table 2 in our submission). The architectures are the same as the robot, but the object 2D locations are encoded by bounding boxes (They are annotated in a separate process and therefore not available during adversarial crowdsourcing).



(a) The **DRNet** [Dai et al., 2017] contains a spatial module and an appearance module, which respectively encode the masks of the bounding boxes and image cropped at the union bounding box into 256-dimensional feature vectors. The spatial module contains a hourglass network [Newell et al., 2016], which we find to perform better than a simple stack of convolutional layers. The appearance module is a linear layer on top of a ResNet18 [He et al., 2016] network. The spatial and appearance features as well as the object name features go through an iterative reasoning module that makes extensively use of weight-sharing; all layers with the same name (*e.g.* fc4) share the same weights. Unlike in the original DRNet paper, we do not perform iterative updates to the object name features, because they are given as ground truth in our task.



(b) For **VtransE** [Zhang et al., 2017], the bounding boxes are encoded as in the original paper. Image features are also extracted by a ResNet18 network.

Figure D: The specific instance of **DRNet and VTransE** we use for spatial relation recognition (section 5 in our submission). The input relation is *"microwave oven on counter"*. The final output is therefore the score for the predicate "on".

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