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Message from the Program Chairs

This volume contains papers describing the CRAC 2022 Shared Task on Multilingual Coreference Resolution and the participating systems. The public edition of the multilingual collection CorefUD 1.0 was used as the source of training and evaluation data, spanning 13 datasets for 10 languages, namely Catalan, Czech, English, French, German, Hungarian, Lithuanian, Polish, Russian, and Spanish. Shared task participants were supposed to identify mentions in texts and to predict coreference relations between the identified mentions; only identity coreference is considered in this shared task.

A total of 5 teams participated in this task, with 8 submitted systems ranging from a very simple rule-based system to a deep-learning system trained jointly on all languages. In this volume, system description papers delivered by 3 teams are presented, preceded with an overview paper describing in more detail the task itself, the input data, the baseline system, the main evaluation metric, and global performance comparisons.

From our viewpoint, major goals of the shared task were reached: not only that new systems capable of coreference resolution in various languages were created, but the state-of-the-art performance for the given multilingual collection was improved considerably. We hope that this success will attract new researchers to the area of multilingual coreference resolution, and hopefully also new participants to the future editions of the present shared task.

We would like to thank all the participants for their efforts, and program committee members for reviewing the submitted manuscripts. Last but not least, we would like to thank organizers of the previous shared tasks for sharing their experience with us, and in general all authors of the involved coreference datasets for making the results of their work publicly accessible.

September 2022 Maciej Ogrodniczuk, Zdeněk Žabokrtský on behalf of the shared task organizers

Shared task specification

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