Combining Distantly Supervised Models with In Context Learning for Monolingual and Cross-Lingual Relation Extraction

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Abstract

Distantly Supervised Relation Extraction (DSRE) remains a long-standing challenge in NLP, where models must learn from noisy bag-level annotations while making sentence-level predictions. While existing state-of-the-art (SoTA) DSRE models rely on task-specific training, their integration with in-context learning (ICL) using large language models (LLMs) remains underexplored. A key challenge is that the LLM may not learn relation semantics correctly, due to noisy annotation.

In response, we propose HYDRE – **HY**brid **D**istantly Supervised **R**elation **E**xtraction framework. It first uses a trained DSRE model to identify the top-k candidate relations for a given test sentence, then uses a novel dynamic exemplar retrieval strategy that extracts reliable, sentence-level exemplars from training data, which are then provided in LLM prompt for outputting the final relation(s). We further extend HYDRE to cross-lingual settings for RE in low-resource languages. Using available English DSRE training data, we evaluate all methods on English as well as a newly curated benchmark covering four diverse low-resource Indic languages – Oriya, Santali, Manipuri, and Tulu. HYDRE achieves up to 20 F1 point gains in English and, on average, 17 F1 points on Indic languages over prior SoTA DSRE models and naive prompting baselines. Detailed ablations exhibit HYDRE's efficacy compared to other prompting strategies.

1 Introduction

Relation Extraction (RE) is a core task in Information Extraction (IE) that aims to identify semantic relations between entity mentions in text. Given a sentence s containing a head entity e_1 and a tail entity e_2, the goal is to predict the set of relations ($\hat{r} \subset \mathcal{R}$) expressed between them, where $\mathcal{R}$ is a predefined ontology of relations. RE plays a crucial role in downstream applications such as knowledge base construction, and question answering. Supervised RE methods depend on sentence-level annotations, which are costly and time-consuming to obtain at scale (Zhang et al., 2017).

Distantly Supervised Relation Extraction (DSRE) (Mintz et al., 2009) alleviates this challenge by aligning text with knowledge base (KB) triples to generate weakly labeled training data. Specifically, DSRE groups all sentences mentioning an entity pair (e_1, e_2) into a bag $B(e_1, e_2)$, which is labeled with all relations $R(e_1, e_2)$ known between (e_1, e_2) in the KB. Although the supervision is weak and bag-level, inference is typically performed at the sentence level (micro-reading (Mitchell et al., 2009)). This mismatch between training and inference granularity – coupled with noisy training labels – often causes state-of-the-art (SoTA) DSRE models to confuse fine-grained relation types, such as *Nationality* vs. *Place_of_Birth* or *Founder* vs. *CEO*, thereby limiting their overall performance.

Existing DSRE methods (Chen et al., 2021; Rathore et al., 2022; Jian et al., 2024) primarily rely on task-specific fine-tuning of moderate-sized language models such as BERT (Devlin et al., 2019) and RoBERTa (Liu et al., 2019). However, the potential of Large Language Models (LLMs) for this task remains largely unexplored. Modern LLMs excel at in-context learning (ICL), where the model performs reasoning by conditioning on a few task-specific exemplars. Yet, directly applying LLMs to DSRE is non-trivial: noisy distant supervision degrades exemplar quality, and the lack of clean, sentence-level exemplars undermines effective ICL. Consequently, prior works in DSRE either ignore LLMs altogether or fail to exploit their reasoning capabilities effectively (Zhao et al., 2024).

In this work, we propose HYDRE: a **HY**brid **DSRE** framework that combines the high-recall candidate label selection of fine-tuned DSRE models with the reasoning capabilities of LLMs. Given a query sentence, a fine-tuned DSRE model first

identifies a candidate relation set by filtering out the obvious negatives. These candidates are then passed to an LLM for disambiguation, guided by carefully selected in-context exemplars. To construct these exemplars, we retrieve relevant bags from the DSRE training corpus using a joint scoring function that blends model confidence with semantic similarity to the query. From each selected bag, we extract the most representative sentence to form a dynamic, relation-specific prompt, guiding the LLM to accurately *judge* the correct relation(s).

We further extend HYDRE to the cross-lingual setting, focusing on low-resource languages — a largely underexplored area in DSRE. To facilitate this, we construct a new multilingual benchmark covering four low-resource Indic languages: Oriya, Santali, Manipuri, and Tulu. Given the limited representation of these languages in LLM pretraining corpora (Singh et al., 2024; Nag et al., 2025), they pose an interesting challenge for evaluating cross-lingual RE in the context of latest LLMs.

We evaluate HYDRE under three transfer settings - (1) *English-only*, where no target language data is used; (2) *Translate-train*, where English DSRE training data is translated to target language; and (3) *Translate-test*, where test queries in the target language are translated to English.

Experiments with both open-source and proprietary LLMs show that HYDRE consistently outperforms prior DSRE baselines and naive LLM prompting strategies. Our exemplar retrieval strategy proves robust across both monolingual and cross-lingual setups. Ablation analyses further reveal that removing retrieval components can degrade performance by up to 7 micro-F1 points.

In summary, our key contributions are as follows. (1) We present the first systematic integration of LLMs via In-Context Learning (ICL) into DSRE inference, achieving significant gains over both fine-tuned and prompting-only baselines. (2) We propose a novel retrieval strategy that combines model confidence and semantic similarity to select high-quality ICL exemplars for LLM-based relation disambiguation. (3) We curate and release gold-standard evaluation datasets for relation extraction for four typologically diverse low-resource Indic languages. (4) We propose effective cross-lingual strategies for adapting HYDRE to low-resource languages, demonstrating robustness across multiple transfer scenarios.

We release our code[1] to facilitate further research in multilingual DSRE.

2 Related Work

Distantly Supervised Relation Extraction: DSRE (Mintz et al., 2009) aligns KB triples with text to create bag-level supervision, where labels apply at the bag rather than sentence level. Neural DSRE models typically adopt the multi-instance multi-label (MIML) framework (Surdeanu et al., 2012). Earlier works encoded sentences in a bag using piecewise CNNs (Zeng et al., 2015) or graph CNNs (Vashishth et al., 2018), while recent models employ pre-trained transformers. PARE (Rathore et al., 2022) encodes a bag by treating all bag sentences as a passage, whereas CIL (Chen et al., 2021) uses intra-bag attention and contrastive learning. HiCLRE (Li et al., 2022) introduces hierarchical contrastive learning, and HFMRE (Li et al., 2023b) employs Huffman-tree structures to denoise bags. These advances improve bag-level reasoning but still struggle with fine-grained sentence-level inference.

Multilingual DSRE: Research in multilingual RE has progressed (Ni et al., 2020; Nag et al., 2021), but multilingual DSRE is scarce. DisRex (Bhartiya et al., 2022) introduced a dataset across four European languages, though without manual sentence-level evaluation. No prior work targets typologically diverse low-resource Indic languages, which motivates our benchmark contribution.

LLMs for Relation Extraction: Large language models (LLMs) have recently been explored for RE primarily in supervised settings. Wadhwa et al. (2023) demonstrated that few-shot prompting with GPT-3 can rival fully supervised baselines, particularly when enhanced with chain-of-thought (CoT) reasoning. Other works employ zero-shot prompting with relation label definitions (Zhou et al., 2024) or leverage LLMs to denoise distantly supervised training data (Li et al., 2023a; Jian et al., 2024). However, these approaches either assume access to clean, labeled supervision or utilize LLMs solely for data relabeling purposes. In contrast, HYDRE takes a complementary view by employing LLMs directly at test time, leveraging them as reasoning engines rather than annotation tools.

Diversity-aware exemplar selection: A common in-context exemplar selection strategy is to

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retrieve the top-K semantically most similar exemplars to the query, but this often results in redundancy amongst the selected exemplars. To address this, Kapuriya et al. (2025) propose maximal marginal relevance (MMR), which balances similarity with diversity, while Wang et al. (2024) employ determinantal point processes (DPPs) to encourage diversity through submodular modeling objectives. These methods highlight the importance of complementing similarity with diversity in exemplar selection, a principle that we extend within our hybrid DSRE–LLM framework.

LLM-as-Judge and Hybrid Models: Recent work explores LLMs as evaluators ("judges") for ranking candidate outputs (Zheng et al., 2023; Bavaresco et al., 2024). Our approach could be view as an instance of this paradigm, where a DSRE model provides high-recall candidate relations and their exemplars, and the LLM judges among them. Related hybrid paradigms exist in other NLP tasks (Rathore et al., 2024) such as sequence labeling, but not in DSRE.

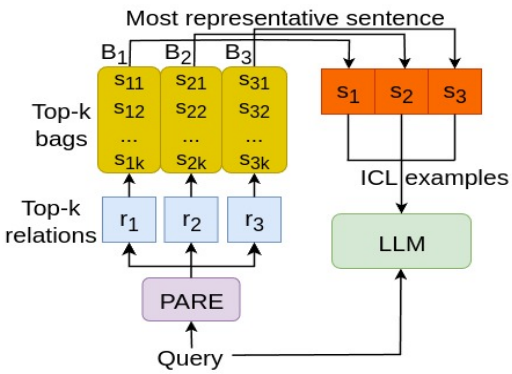

Figure 1: HYDRE overview (shown for k=3): (a) Select top-k candidate labels using PARE confidence, (b) Select best bag for each candidate using combined semantic similarity and label confidence (aggregated over bag sentences), and (c) Select best sentence per bag using aggregate confidence (over bag labels) scoring.

3 HYDRE: HYbrid Distantly supervised Relation Extraction

DSRE models are trained on bags $B(e_1, e_2)$, each comprising multiple sentences mentioning an entity pair (e_1, e_2) and annotated with a set of relations $R(e_1, e_2)$. As a result, such models often generalize poorly for sentence-level queries (Gao et al., 2021; Chen et al., 2021). Nevertheless, our preliminary analysis (Appendix A.7) shows that strong SOTA DSRE models such as *PARE* achieve high sentence-level Recall@k—approximately 85% for English and 70% for Indic languages—even for small values of k (E.g. k=5).

This observation motivates a two-stage hybrid approach: use a trained DSRE model to obtain a high-recall candidate relation set, and employ an LLM as a judge to select the final relation(s). We seek to achieve this by providing carefully selected exemplars for these candidate relations to LLM. Effective use of in-context learning (ICL), however, requires clean, sentence-level exemplars—whereas DSRE training examples are noisy and bag-level. To bridge this gap, HYDRE employs a novel three-stage exemplar selection process described below.

Stage 1: Candidate Relation Selection. A trained DSRE model (e.g., *PARE*) assigns confidence scores $f_{\text{PARE}}(q, r)$ to each relation r for a query sentence q. The top-k relations with the highest scores form the candidate relation set $\mathcal{R}'$.

Stage 2: Bag Selection. For each candidate relation $r \in \mathcal{R}'$, we identify the most relevant bag B_r from the subset $\mathcal{B}_r$ of bags annotated with relation r as one of it's relations. Each bag $B_j \in \mathcal{B}_r$ is scored using a weighted combination of semantic similarity and DSRE confidence:

$$\text{score}(B_j, r) = (1 - \lambda)\,\text{sim}(q, B_j) + \lambda\, f(B_j, r),$$

where $\text{sim}(q, B_j)$ measures semantic similarity between the query q and bag B_j, and $f(B_j, r)$ denotes the DSRE confidence for relation r, computed via *max*-pooling over sentence-level scores within the bag. The bag with the highest score is selected as B_r. This selection favours bags whose sentences are strongly indicative of the candidate relation, while also being semantically aligned with the query. The trade-off parameter λ controls the relative importance of semantic similarity versus label confidence and is tuned on a development set separately for each target language (Appendix A.1.2).

Stage 3: Sentence Selection. From each selected bag B_r, we extract a single sentence s_r that best captures the relation(s) expressed in the bag. For each sentence $s \in B_r$, we compute its coverage $c(s) = \sum_{r_a \in \text{labels}(B_r)} \mathbb{I}[f(s, r_a) > t]$, where t is a confidence threshold. Among sentences with maximum coverage, we select s_r as the one with the highest aggregate confidence $\sum_{r_a} f(s, r_a)$. This encourages selection of sentences that express the largest number of valid bag relations with strong

model confidence. In the prompt we place the selected sentences s_r along with their corresponding bag labels $labels(B_r)$.

Our stage 3 offers three key benefits. First, it aids the *multi-label* nature of the problem, since co-occuring relations (which may be present in B_r, but not in $\mathcal{R}'$) are also added to the prompt. This may not have been possible if the method tried to, instead, search for sentences that express only the specific relation. Second, selecting a sentence that has high label confidence over many relations promotes diversity (coverage) of relevant labels in the prompt – this may not occur if only semantic similarity with test sentence were used for selection. Finally, scoring sentences using aggregate confidence over all bag labels helps surface sentences with stronger overall evidence, not just noisy single-label confidence (as justified via ablations shown in subsec. A.14).

Once selected, exemplars are ordered by ascending $f(q, r)$, placing more relevant candidates closer to the query in the prompt. The full selection process is described in Algo. 1 (appendix).

Prompting and Parsing. A prompt comprises (i) task instruction, (ii) candidate relations along with their definitions, (iii) ICL exemplars, and (iv) the query. The exact prompt template is shown in Appendix A.2. The output is parsed using string matching to obtain predicted labels, including "NA". In case no valid match is found, we label it as "NA".

3.1 Dataset Curation

To evaluate HYDRE in low-resource settings, we construct gold-standard test sets for four Indic languages – Oriya, Santali, Manipuri, and Tulu. These languages are typologically and orthographically diverse, have limited web presence (3K–25K Wikipedia articles), yet are spoken by over one million speakers each—making them challenging and representative testbeds for multilingual DSRE.

We begin with a stratified subset of the English NYT-10m test split (Gao et al., 2021), having 538 multi-label queries with a total of 722 labels (incl. 30 "NA"s), ensuring balanced relation coverage. Sentences are translated into each target language using CODEC (Le et al., 2024) with IndicTrans2 (Gala et al., 2023), which jointly performs translation and entity projection to preserve head and tail entity spans. For Tulu, which lacks IndicTrans2 support, we use Google Translate API.

All translations are manually verified by native speakers for both sentence quality and entity alignment. Across languages, over 70% of translations required no correction, and inter-annotator agreement exceeded 90%, indicating high annotation quality. Detailed dataset statistics, annotation procedures, and quality assessment are provided in Appendix A.11.

4 Experiments

We conduct experiments in both monolingual (English) and cross-lingual settings across four low-resource Indic languages. For cross-lingual evaluation, we follow three standard settings commonly used in cross-lingual NLP. Let X_{train} denote the DSRE training corpus translated from English into a target language X. We denote by *PARE-X* and *CIL-X* the target-language counterparts of *PARE* and *CIL*, respectively, fine-tuned upon X_{train}.

1. **English-only:** Models are trained or prompted exclusively using English DSRE data. For English test queries, HYDRE uses the PARE confidence scores for $f_{\text{PARE}}(q, r)$, and the off-the-shelf encoder *e5-large-v2* (Wang et al., 2022) for semantic similarity. For Indic test queries, since PARE is trained only on English, it cannot produce reliable confidence scores $f_{\text{PARE}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ for Indic scripts. Consequently, f_{PARE} is omitted completely, and HYDRE relies solely on the multilingual sentence encoder *BGE-M3* (Chen et al., 2024) to retrieve semantically similar English exemplars for cross-lingual ICL.

2. **Translate-train:** HYDRE employs *PARE-X* for confidence estimation and a *CIL-X* encoder—trained on X_{train} via contrastive learning—to obtain sentence-level semantic similarity. This setting evaluates whether language-specific representations learned from limited, noisy supervision improve performance.

3. **Translate-test:** Test queries in the target language X are translated into English (X_{test}), after which the standard English HYDRE pipeline is applied without modification.

Table 1 summarizes the models used for semantic similarity and confidence estimation under each evaluation setting.

Setting	Similarity Model	Confidence Model
English-only (En)	e5-large-v2	PARE
English-only (Indic)	BGE-M3	–
Translate-train	CIL-X	PARE-X
Translate-test	e5-large-v2	PARE

Table 1: Models used for semantic similarity and confidence estimation across various evaluation settings.

Baselines. We compare HYDRE against the following categories of baselines:

- **Supervised DSRE models:** We include *PARE* and *CIL* for English, along with their target-language counterparts *PARE-X* and *CIL-X* under the *Translate-train* setting.
- **0-shot prompting LLM:** We evaluate both open-source and proprietary LLMs: *Qwen3-235B-A22B*, *GPT-4o*, *Llama3.1-8B*, and its fine-tuned variant *Llama3.1-8B-FT*. The fine-tuned model (*Llama3.1-8B-FT*) is trained on English DSRE data for English experiments, and on X_{train} under the *Translate-train* setting. In all cases, inference is performed without in-context exemplars. We consider two prompting variants:
  - **Direct:** The LLM is provided only with the query sentence and the list of candidate relation labels.
  - **Definition-based:** The LLM additionally receives natural language definitions of candidate relations.
- **Few-shot prompting with exemplar retrieval:** We compare against few-shot baselines that differ in how exemplars are selected:
  - *Random-K:* Randomly samples K exemplars for each query.
  - *TopK-sim:* Selects the top-K most semantically similar exemplars to the query.
  - *LM-MMR:* Employs a diversity-aware Maximal Marginal Relevance (MMR) objective to balance relevance and diversity.

  Implementation details are provided in Appendix A.1.3.

Evaluation Datasets. Our primary results are reported on NYT-10m (Gao et al., 2021), including its translated Indic variants used for cross-lingual evaluation. We additionally evaluate on Wiki-20m to assess generalization, with results and analysis deferred to Appendix A.12 due to space constraints.

Implementation details. For obtaining X_{train} and X_{test} in our experiments, we use EasyProject (Chen et al., 2023), a more lightweight joint translation and entity projection tool as compared to CODEC. We use LoRA fine-tuning for LLaMA-3.1, updating only adapter and embedding weights while freezing other parameters (App. A.1.4). For PARE-X training, we continually pretrain mBERT on X_{train} before adapter-based fine-tuning. All LLMs are run with temperature 0.0, max input tokens 2048, and max generation tokens 256.

Evaluation Metrics. We report both micro-F1 and macro-F1 scores. Area-under-the-curve (AUC) is omitted, as LLM-based methods do not produce calibrated confidence scores needed for threshold-based evaluation. Statistical significance is assessed using McNemar's test (McNemar, 1947), which is applicable for micro-F1 comparisons.

5 Results & Analysis

Table 2 reports results on English and four Indic languages across the three evaluation settings.

English results. Among supervised DSRE models, *CIL* (43 micro-F1) and *PARE* (42 micro-F1) perform best. Zero-shot GPT-4o already surpasses them (56 F1), and HYDRE's few-shot prompting further improves GPT-4o to 63 F1. Smaller open LLMs (Llama 3.1, Qwen 3) benefit even more – gaining up to +14 F1 – demonstrating that HYDRE's exemplar-guided prompting is especially effective for weaker LLMs.

Cross-lingual transfer (English-only setting). Since English-trained DSRE models (*PARE*, *CIL*) lack coverage for Indic scripts, their results are omitted. Zero-shot prompting – even with GPT-4o – yields low scores (20–30 F1), reflecting limited Indic-language coverage in LLM pretraining. Nevertheless, cross-lingual prompting with English exemplars via HYDRE still yields consistent gains (+8 to +11 F1). For example, HYDRE(*Llama-3.1-8B-FT*) improves from 24/14 to 35/21, showing that carefully selected English exemplars can meaningfully support reasoning in low-resource languages when aligned through cross-lingual retrieval.

Translate-train setting. Supervised translate-train baselines such as *PARE-X* (30/20 F1) outperform zero-shot LLM prompting, yet HYDRE

Model	English	Indic Languages		
		English-only	Translate-train	Translate-test
Supervised				
HFMRE (Li et al., 2023b)	33/18	–	22/13	27/16
HiCLRE (Li et al., 2022)	31/18	–	20/13	25/14
CIL (Chen et al., 2021)	43/32	–	26/18	34/24
PARE (Rathore et al., 2022)	42/31	–	30/20	33/23
0-shot (direct)				
Qwen3-235B-A22B	47/39	25/21	25/21	40/34
Llama3.1-8b	24/21	16/12	16/12	22/20
Llama3.1-8B-FT	55/37	26/17	26/17	47/31
GPT-4o	56/55	31/29	31/29	51/49
0-shot (Definition-based)				
Qwen3-235B-A22B	49/40	25/21	25/21	44/35
Llama3.1-8b	31/17	22/16	22/16	29/25
Llama3.1-8B-FT	60/44	24/14	38/23	49/34
GPT-4o	56/57	33/31	32/30	54/51
few-shot (Random)				
Random-K(Qwen3-235B-A22B)	55/55	21/19	29/25	43/35
Random-K(Llama3.1-8B)	30/24	19/11	11/7	27/21
Random-K(Llama3.1-8B-FT)	55/40	24/14	25/12	46/32
Random-K(GPT-4o)	56/52	31/30	38/31	48/42
few-shot (Similarity-based)				
TopK-sim(Qwen3-235B-A22B)	52/49	22/18	32/26	45/38
TopK-sim(Llama3.1-8B)	33/27	22/14	19/9	30/22
TopK-sim(Llama3.1-8B-FT)	55/40	27/15	29/14	46/30
TopK-sim(GPT-4o)	58/53	29/26	41/32	48/41
few-shot (Diversity-based)				
LM-MMR(Qwen3-235B-A22B)	50/47	24/20	33/28	44/36
LM-MMR(Llama3.1-8B)	34/26	21/12	17/8	30/22
LM-MMR(Llama3.1-8B-FT)	56/40	26/16	28/15	47/32
LM-MMR(GPT-4o)	56/52	28/25	41/33	50/43
few-shot (HYDRE)				
HYDRE(QWEN3-235B-A22B)	**63*/62**	29/26	37/31	54/46
HYDRE(LLAMA3.1-8B)	52/47	30/19	31/20	44/36
HYDRE(LLAMA3.1-8B-FT)	61/45	35/21	**45***/28	51/37
HYDRE(GPT-4O)	**63***/60	**36*/33**	39/**35**	**56*/54**

Table 2: Results for English and Indic languages under three evaluation settings. In each entry, we report micro and macro F1 scores. The Indic results are averaged over 4 languages (language-wise results shown in Appendix A.4). * McNemar's p-value $< 10^{-5}$ (valid for micro-F1 comparison).

exceeds these strong baselines by 5–8 F1 points, showing that careful exemplar-guided prompting can outperform fine-tuned DSRE models. For fine-tuned Llama (*Llama-3.1-8B-FT*), the gains are even more pronounced - exceeding *PARE-X* by +15 micro-F1 and over zero-shot *Llama-3.1-8B-FT* by +7 points. Fine-tuned Llama achieves the best overall performance (45/28 F1), with GPT-4o close behind (39/35 F1).

Analysis shows script-dependent trends: GPT-4o excels on medium-resource scripts (Oriya, Tulu), while fine-tuned Llama dominates rarer scripts (Santali, Manipuri). This is consistent with *Llama-3.1-8B-FT* learning script-specific cues that proprietary models lack.

Translate-test setting. Translating test queries into English introduces a mild degradation relative to native English evaluation, primarily due to translation noise. Nevertheless, HYDRE continues to deliver strong improvements across models: Llama3.1 and Qwen3 gain +15 and +10 micro-F1 points over their zero-shot counterparts, and GPT-4o reaches 56/54 F1—the best overall performance in this setting.

Overall, HYDRE demonstrates strong robustness across LLMs, scripts, and transfer settings, preserving high performance even when translation introduces mild noise.

HYDRE VS. OTHER FEW-SHOT PROMPTING METHODS. HYDRE consistently surpasses all few-shot baselines. Compared to the diversity-

based LM-MMR, HYDRE(GPT-4o) achieves average gains of +7 micro-F1 (English) and +5–6 micro-F1 (Indic). These improvements stem from HYDRE's hybrid scoring mechanism, which integrates DSRE confidence with semantic similarity. In contrast, methods such as MMR or TopK-sim rely solely on embedding-based similarity or diversity heuristics and do not leverage label-aware signals, limiting their ability to select informative and discriminative exemplars.

5.1 Ablations

To quantify the contribution of each component in HYDRE, we conduct systematic ablations of its three-stage design. We evaluate the following variants:

- *w/o candidate selection (Stage 1):* considering all relations instead of top-k.
- *w/o bag selection (Stage 2):* retrieving sentences directly without bag-level filtering.
- *w/o sentence selection (Stage 3):* providing full bags to the LLM without sentence filtering.
- *w/o semantic similarity:* using only *PARE* confidence for retrieval.
- *w/o* PARE *confidence:* using only semantic similarity for retrieval.
- *w/o ICL:* predicting from top-k candidates without exemplars.

Table 3 summarizes ablation results for English and cross-lingual settings. Across models and settings, HYDRE consistently outperforms its ablations, confirming that its components contribute complementary gains.

Semantic similarity vs. DSRE confidence. For English, semantic similarity plays a dominant role: removing it degrades Llama 3.1 by up to 7 F1, while ablating *PARE* confidence leads to minor drops (2–3 F1) across LLMs.

In contrast, under the Indic translate-train setting, DSRE confidence becomes more critical – removing f_{PARE} consistently degrades performance, while removing semantic similarity causes little or no loss. This underscores the limited effectiveness of embedding-based retrieval in extremely low-resource regimes.

Candidate relation selection. Providing exemplars for all 25 relations yields performance comparable to HYDRE, but at nearly $5\times$ higher prompt cost. While Qwen3 and GPT-4o remain relatively stable, LLaMA degrades noticeably, indicating that excessive distractor relations disproportionately affect weaker models. This confirms that candidate relation selection is essential not only for efficiency but also for stable and reliable reasoning.

Importance of bag selection. Omitting Stage 2 (Bag Selection) and retrieving sentences directly leads to consistent performance drops, especially in the translate-train setting (up to 4–6 points). By grounding sentence selection within bags relevant to candidate relations, HYDRE filters noisy supervision and preserves relation-consistent evidence for downstream reasoning.

Importance of sentence selection. Providing full bags instead of selecting representative sentences degrades performance by upto 6 micro F1 and 10 macro F1, as LLMs struggle with longer and noisier contexts. This highlights HYDRE's ability to exploit a key property of distant supervision: only a small subset of sentences is required for precise relation inference.

Importance of in-context exemplars. Removing in-context exemplars reduces performance by up to 7 F1 on English and 12 F1 in the translate-train setting, confirming that HYDRE's gains stem from exemplar-guided reasoning rather than exposure to candidate labels alone.

5.2 Robustness to bag-level evaluation

Beyond sentence-level inference, we evaluate HYDRE under *bag-level* settings, as commonly studied in DSRE (Gao et al., 2021), where evidence for a relation is distributed across multiple sentences (e.g., news articles for KB population).

For bag-level inference, we follow Algorithm 1 up to bag selection, but instead of selecting a single sentence per bag, we retain one representative sentence *per relation*, chosen using the highest *PARE* confidence. This forms a *reduced-bag* representation that preserves relation-specific evidence while removing redundant context. As shown in Fig. 2, reduced-bag prompting improves performance by ≈ 3 micro-F1 and 7 macro-F1 over full-bag prompting, while reducing prompt length by nearly $2\times$ (2451 $\rightarrow$ 1242 tokens). These results show that effective DSRE requires only a small, carefully

Ablation	English			Indic (Translate-train)			
	L3.1	Qw3	G4o	L3.1	L3.1-FT	Qw3	G4o
HYDRE	**52/47**	**63/62**	**63**/60	31/**20**	**45/28**	37/**31**	**39/35**
w/o candidate selection (Stage 1)	39/31	**63**/61	62/**64**	–	–	–	–
w/o bag selection (Stage 2)	48/41	62/59	56/51	**33/20**	43/25	34/30	38/**35**
w/o sentence selection (Stage 3)	46/37	60/59	59/58	–	–	–	–
w/o f_{PARE} ($\lambda = 0.0$)	49/45	61/60	61/59	26/18	44/27	37/**31**	**39**/34
w/o sem. sim. ($\lambda = 1.0$)	45/39	60/59	60/62	32/**20**	**45/28**	**38/31**	38/34
w/o ICL	45/37	58/50	59/49	29/19	33/18	33/20	32/21

Table 3: Ablation results for HYDRE on English and Indic (translate-train) settings. We report micro/macro F1 scores. "–" indicates ablations that are not applicable in a given setting. For Indic languages (translate-train), Stage 1 and Stage 3 ablations are omitted due to excessive prompt length caused by high token fertility.

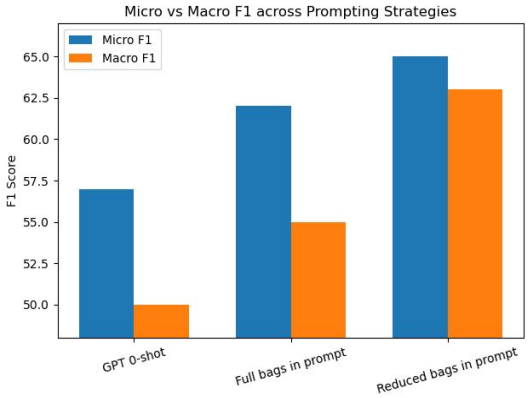

Figure 2: Zero-shot prompting vs full bag ICL vs reduced bag ICL for GPT-4o on English NYT-10m

selected subset of sentences, yielding both better accuracy and lower inference cost.

5.3 HYDRE Sensitivity to k

We study the effect of the number of candidate relations (k) selected in Stage 1. As shown in Figure 17b, micro-F1 increases with k, peaks around $k = 5$–10, and then plateaus or slightly declines. Meanwhile, the Stage 1 DSRE model (PARE) already achieves high Recall@k at small values ($\approx$ 85% at $k = 5$) and continues to increase recall as k grows.

This gap highlights a trade-off: although larger k improves coverage, it introduces more distractor relations and longer prompts, which hinder LLM disambiguation. Moderate values of k thus offer the best balance between coverage, accuracy, and inference cost. Accordingly, we fix $k = 5$ in all experiments.

5.4 Qualitative Analysis

We conduct confusion analysis of HYDRE against PARE and 0-shot GPT-4o models for English (see Appendix A.5). Further, we manually identify 16 fine-grained relation pairs amongst which models get confused (details in Fig. 14 and 15 appendix). We observe that HYDRE has stronger ability to resolve between subtle close-by relations such as "Religion" v/s "Ethnicity" (Ex. 4, "Geographic distribution" vs "Nationality" (Ex. 8), etc.

5.5 Error Analysis

We analyze cases where HYDRE fails to output correct relations (see figures 9 to 13 appendix). These include (a) errors due to *position bias* (a prevalent bias observed in LLM-as-Judge (Zheng et al., 2023)) towards PARE's top-1 candidate (nearest exemplar label to query) (fig. 8, 13), (b) low recall for multi-label queries (fig. 12), and (c) low recall for specific labels such as "Ethnicity" (often confused with "Nationality") (fig. 11), "Advisors" (vs "Founders"), etc (detailed analysis in App. A.6).

6 Conclusions and Future Work

We propose HYDRE, a novel hybrid framework that leverages SoTA distantly supervised models for guiding modern day LLMs for the task via efficient In-Context Learning. We show the efficacy of HYDRE across two experiments: (a) Bag-to-sentence transfer in English, (b) Bag-to-sentence transfer in low-resource languages. We propose effective strategies to adapt HYDRE to cross-lingual settings under different data availability settings. Ablations show the efficacy of each component in HYDRE in both monolingual and cross-lingual settings.

HYDRE lays the foundation for further research in DSRE in context of the latest LLMs. Possible future works involve a more complex agentic workflow wherein the agents interact iteratively until convergence to arrive at the correct answer. Applying HYDRE to newly added entries in Wikipedia or to local news articles for regional languages would be an interesting and useful future direction.

7 Limitations

One potential limitation of our work is the high cost or latency of retrieval from large bags in the training corpus. This problem is escalated further for low-resource languages due to their high token fertility even w.r.t. to latest LLMs.

Further our framework is not tested for low-resource domains such as biomedical or finance domains involving more complicated semantic relationships between the evolving entities. Similarly, we have only performed experiments on four Indic languages, and have not been able to perform experiments on other low-resource language families due to unavailability of relation extraction data.

Evaluating whether the core principles of HYDRE's label-aware exemplar selection and three-stage filtering extend to fully supervised or human-annotated relation extraction settings remains an important direction for future work.

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A Appendix

A.1 Implementation Details

We make our code and data public at this link - https://anonymous.4open.science/r/AC2f-pool/.

A.1.1 LLMs

We use (1) unsloth/Meta-Llama-3.1-8B-Instruct-unsloth-bnb-4bit version of Llama 3.1 for local inference as well as for fine-tuning, (2) TogetherAI's unsloth/gemma-3-4b-it-unsloth-bnb-4bit for Gemma3, (3) TogetherAI's Qwen3 235B A22B Instruct 2507 FP8 Throughput for Qwen3 and (4) OpenAI's gpt-4o-2024-05-13 for GPT-4o.

For local inference and fine-tuning, we use a single NVIDIA A100 40GB GPU node.

A.1.2 Hyperparameters

For HYDRE, we set the number of exemplars to $k = 5$, following the sensitivity analysis in Section A.8. The confidence threshold is fixed to $t = 0.5$, consistent with the original PARE implementation. We tune the trade-off parameter λ using Llama 3.1 via grid search over $\{0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9\}$ on the dev set. The optimal value is $\lambda = 0.5$ for English, and λ = 0.1 for the Indic translate-train setting.

For LLM inference, we use a temperature $\tau = 0.0$, a maximum input length of 2048 tokens, and a maximum generation length of 256 tokens across all experiments.

A.1.3 Baselines

For few-shot prompting baselines, we flatten bags to sentences (assign all bag labels to each of it's sentences) and then perform sentence selection using (a) Random, (b) Top-k similarity-based, and (c) MMR-based retrieval.
Following (Kapuriya et al., 2025), we implement MMR using iterative selection as follows:
$MMR(q, s, S_{t-1}) = \alpha \cdot Sim(q, s) - (1 - \alpha) \cdot max_{s' \in S_{t-1}} Sim(s, s')$,
where S_{t-1} denotes the candidate set selected so far at time step t. Here, α trades-off the relevance with diversity and is tuned on English dev set. The optimal value of α is found to be 0.3 and is used across all experiments.

A.1.4 Fine-tuning details

Translate-Train: PARE Adaptation: In the translate-train setting, we first adapt mBERT to each target language X by pretraining it on monolingual corpora derived from *X_train*. This results in a language-specific variant denoted $mBERT_X$. For pretraining, we extend the vocabulary with up to 10,000 randomly initialized new tokens for language X. Subsequently, we fine-tune the PARE model on *X_train* using $mBERT_X$ as the encoder using a task-specific adapter to obtain *PARE-X*.

LLaMA 3.1 Fine-Tuning: We use Low-rank adaptation (LoRA) with $lora_alpha$ = 64, $lora_r$ = 16, $lora_dropout$ = 0.0, Learning rate scheduler as Cosine and warmup ratio as 10%. For training, we use $per_device_train_batch_size$ = 8, $gradient_accumulation_steps$ = 4 and maximum training steps of 5000 on single NVIDIA A100 40GB GPU.

The NYT-10m training data consists of 41624 bags and so the number of effective training epochs is = 8*4*5000/41624 $\approx$ 4 epochs.

Semantic Retriever Training: As we do not have an off-the-shelf retriever supporting our target languages, we seek to use a task-specific retriever. Specifically, we leverage the sentence-encoder of *CIL-X* for embedding queries and examples with cosine similarity as their similarity scores.

A.2 Prompt details

Task Description: Choose all applicable relations between head and tail entities from the set below. Print each relation in a new line. If none of the relations are applicable, output 'NA'.
/people/person/nationality : head entity is a person and tail entity is a country
/time/event/locations : head entity is an event and tail entity is a location
/people/person/children : head entity is a person and tail entity is another person (child)
/business/company/advisors : head entity is a company and tail entity is a person (advisor)
/business/location : head entity is a business and tail entity is a location
/business/company/majorshareholders : head entity is a company and tail entity is a person or organization (major shareholder)
/people/person/place_lived : head entity is a person and tail entity is a location
/business/company/place_founded : head entity is a company and tail entity is a location
/location/neighborhood/neighborhood_of : head entity is a neighborhood and tail entity is a larger location (city, town)
/people/deceasedperson/place_of_death : head entity is a deceased person and tail entity is a location

/film/film/featured_film_locations : head entity is a film and tail entity is a location
/location/region/capital: head entity is a region and tail entity is a city (capital)
/business/company/founders : head entity is a company and tail entity is a person (founder)
/people/ethnicity/geographic_distribution : head entity is an ethnicity and tail entity is a location where the ethnicity is commonly found
/location/country/administrative_divisions : head entity is a country and tail entity is a subdivision (state, province)
/people/deceasedperson/place_of_burial : head entity is a deceased person and tail entity is a burial site
/location/country/capital : head entity is a country and tail entity is a city (capital)
/business/person/company : head entity is a person and tail entity is a company they are associated with
/location/location/contains : head entity is a larger location and tail entity is a smaller location within it
/location/administrative_division/country : head entity is an administrative division (state, province) and tail entity is a country
/location/us_county/county_seat: head entity is a U.S. county and tail entity is the county seat
/people/person/religion: head entity is a person and tail entity is a religion
/people/person/place_of_birth : head entity is a person and tail entity is a location (birthplace)
/people/person/ethnicity: head entity is a person and tail entity is an ethnicity
NA : no relation from the set exists between the given entity pair
Input format:
Input: {sentence}
Output format:
Output: {relation}
Verbalizer:
Extract the relation based on exact string match
A sample format of input and output for exemplars is shown in Figure 4.

A.3 HYDRE Algorithm

Please refer to Algorithm 1.

A.4 Detailed Language-wise results

Please refer to tables 4, 5 and 6.

A.5 Confusion Analysis

We present confusion matrix (aggregated over all labels) in Figure 3. We manually identify 16 categories of relation pairs amongst which confusion is observed and present their confusion matrices in Figures 14 and 15. We depict some qualitative examples, in which HYDRE correctly identifies the relation while 0-shot and PARE make a mistake, in the following subsection.

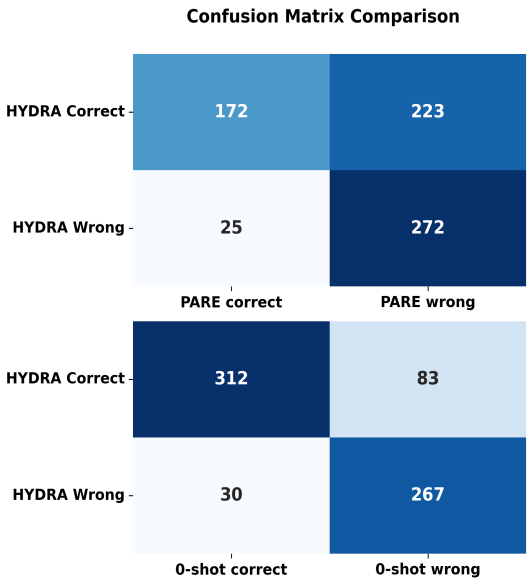


Figure 3: Confusion analysis of HYDRE vs the baselines (aggregated over all relations)

A.5.1 Qualitative examples

We select examples which are correctly predicted by HYDRE but misclassified by 0-shot prompting in order to study the impact of ICL examples. An example is shown in figure 4 where HYDRE correctly predicts "Religion" as opposed to "Ethnicity" by 0-shot prompting. ICL examples depict that "Ethnicity" is PARE's top-ranked candidate (closest to the query) while "Religion" is ranked second and HYDRE is able to subtly distinguish between the 2 based on their exemplars. Example 5 shows another case where HYDRE correctly predicts "Advisors" v/s "Company" predicted by 0-shot. This is a case where the predicted label "Advisors" is not listed in PARE's top-5 candidates and despite this the HYDRE is able to predict it. This is attributed to ICL's ability to predict labels beyond what are included in the in-context examples. Other scenarios where HYDRE dominates 0-shot prompting include multi-label prediction as depicted in Ex. 7, where HYDRE predicts

Algorithm 1 Exemplar Selection for HYDRE

Input: Query sentence q; bags of sentences $\mathcal{B} = \{B_j\}$; trained DSRE model scores $f(s, r)$ for sentence s and relation r; semantic similarity function $\text{sim}(q, B_j)$; confidence threshold t; trade-off parameter λ; number of exemplars k.
Output: Ordered list of selected exemplar sentences.

Compute $f(q, r)$ for all relations r in the ontology.
$\mathcal{R}' \leftarrow$ top-k relations ranked by $f(q, r)$ ▷ Candidate relation selection
Initialize exemplar list $\mathcal{E} \leftarrow [\,]$.
for each $r \in \mathcal{R}'$ **do**
  $\mathcal{B}_r \leftarrow \{B_j \in \mathcal{B} \mid r \in \textit{labelset}(B_j)\}$.
  $B_r \leftarrow \arg\max_{B_j \in \mathcal{B}_r} [(1-\lambda)\text{sim}(q, B_j) + \lambda f_{PARE}(B_j, r)]$. ▷ Select most relevant bag for r
  For each $s \in B_r$, compute $c(s) = \sum_{r_a \in \text{labels}(B_r)} \mathbb{I}[f(s, r_a) > t]$.
  Let $v_{\max} \leftarrow \max_{s \in B_r} c(s)$. ▷ max. no. of relations with confidence > threshold
  $\mathcal{S}' \leftarrow \{s \in B_r \mid c(s) = v_{\max}\}$. ▷ candidate sentences with max. label coverage
  $s^* \leftarrow \arg\max_{s \in \mathcal{S}'} \sum_{r_a \in \text{labels}(B_r)} f(s, r_a)$. ▷ Pick sentence with highest aggregate confidence
  Add (s^*, r_a) to $\mathcal{E}$.
end for
Sort $\mathcal{E}$ in ascending order of $f(q, r)$. ▷ keep most informative examples at the last (closer to query)
return Ordered list of exemplar sentences $\{s^*\}$ from $\mathcal{E}$.

Model	English	Orya	Santali	Manipuri	Tulu	Avg. (Micro)†	Avg. (Macro)†
Supervised							
PARE (Rathore et al., 2022)	42/31	–	–	–	–	–	–
CIL (Chen et al., 2021)	43/32	–	–	–	–	–	–
zero-shot							
Qwen3-235B-A22B	49/40	46/40	6/5	2/1	45/39	25	21
Llama3.1-8b	31/17	26/21	21/14	10/7	29/21	22	16
Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{En}$	60/44	33/23	15/8	11/4	36/21	24	14
GPT-4o	56/57	56/56	10/5	11/7	55/**55**	33	31
5-shot							
HYDRE(QWEN3-235B-A22B)	**63*/62**	52/46	9/7	2/2	53/48	29	26
HYDRE(LLAMA3.1-8B)	52/47	37/24	**24*/16**	**21*/11**	38/25	30	19
HYDRE(LLAMA3.1-8B-FT)$_{En}$	61/45	47/32	**24***/13	**21***/8	49/31	35	21
HYDRE(GPT-4O)	**63***/60	**57/57**	18/10	11/8	**56/55**	**36***	**33**

Table 4: Results for English-only data setting. In each entry, we report micro and macro F1 scores. †The reported average scores are over non-English languages. * McNemar's p-value $< 10^{-5}$ (valid for micro-F1 comparison).

"/place_of_burial" as well as "/place_lived" while 0-shot misses the obvious label "/place_lived" while only predicting "/place_of_burial". But this is not always the case as shown in Ex. 11, where PARE top-1 is correct label (" /administrative_division/country") but HYDRE predicts a wrong one (" /location/location/contains") which is not in PARE top-5 (ICL Examples). Ex. 12 depicts multi-label query where HYDRE predicts 2 out of 3 labels correctly while 0-shot predicts only one of those. Ex. 13 is another case where HYDRE correctly predicts a more nuanced label "/place_founded" but misses an obvious label "/business/location", which is not covered in ICL exemplars.

A.6 Error Analysis

We next analyze cases where HYDRE fails to recall correct relations. One case is where HYDRE gets biased to simply predict the PARE's top-1 candidate and misses others in multi-label queries. An example is shown in Figure 9 where HYDRE predicts "/geographic_dsitribution" (PARE's top-1) while missing the label "/nationality" (PARE's top-3), which is predicted by 0-shot prompting.

We further divide the testset facts into 2 categories - (a) for which gold label is in PARE's top-5, and (b) gold label is out of PARE top-5. The individual micro F1 scores on both categories is presented in Table 7. We observe that missing the gold label in PARE top-5 significantly hurts the downstream LLM F1 score compared to hitting it. This shows the positive impact of candidate selection step on the downstream performance of HYDRE..

A.7 Recall@5 for Supervised DSRE models

We present Recall@5 for both *PARE-X* and *CIL-X* models in table 8 for English and other languages.

Model	ory_Orya	sat_Olck	mni_Mtei	tcy_Tulu	Avg. (Micro)	Avg. (Macro)
Supervised						
PARE-X	31/20	29/20	28/19	30/19	30	20
CIL-X	29/18	22/15	25/19	29/20	26	18
zero-shot						
Qwen3-235B-A22B	46/40	6/5	2/1	45/39	25	21
Llama3.1-8b	26/21	21/14	10/7	29/21	22	16
GPT-4o	56/**56**	8/6	8/6	56/53	32	30
Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{En}$	33/23	10/7	2/1	36/21	20	13
Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{X}$	51/37	33/18	24/11	44/26	38	23
5-shot						
HYDRE(Qwen3-235B-A22B)	54/52	23/14	15/5	57/54	37	31
HYDRE(Llama3.1-8B)	36/24	25/18	24/13	39/26	31	20
HYDRE(GPT-4o)	**57/56**	20/11	21/14	**58/57**	39	**35**
HYDRE(Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{En}$)	48/33	27/15	21/8	47/31	36	22
HYDRE(Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{X}$)	56/40	**39*/23**	**34*/15**	50/34	**45***	28

Table 5: Results for Translate-train setting. * McNemar's p-value $< 10^{-5}$.

Model	ory_Orya	sat_Olck	mni_Mtei	tcy_Tulu	Avg. (Micro)	Avg. (Macro)
Supervised						
PARE	35/25	31/21	33/25	32/22	33	23
CIL	34/23	33/21	34/25	36/25	34	24
zero-shot						
Qwen3-235B-A22B	44/37	43/34	43/35	44/34	44	35
Llama3.1	29/25	26/22	29/25	30/26	29	25
Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{En}$	49/35	45/29	49/35	52/39	49	34
GPT-4o	53/51	50/45	55/**57**	56/51	54	51
5-shot						
HYDRE(Qwen3-235B-A22B)	52/46	51/42	55/47	56/48	54	46
HYDRE(Llama3.1-8B)	46/38	41/31	46/38	44/38	44	36
HYDRE(Llama3.1-8B-FT$_{En}$)	51/37	50/33	50/37	54/40	51	37
HYDRE(GPT-4o)	**55*/54**	**53*/49**	**56/57**	**59*/55**	**56***	**54**

Table 6: Results for Translate-test setting. * McNemar's p-value $< 10^{-5}$.

Category	No. of Facts	micro F1 score
gold label in top-5	594	67
gold label out of top-5	98	34

Table 7: micro F1 scores for test-set categories

Language	*PARE*	*CIL*
English	**84**	82
Oriya	**75**	72
Santali	**72**	64
Manipuri	69	69
Tulu	69	**71**
Avg.*	**71**	69

Table 8: Recall@5 scores for *PARE* and *CIL* models on all languages. *Averaged over non-English languages

A.8 Scalability w.r.t. No. of candidates k

We analyze how PARE's Recall@k and the HYDRE performance vary as a function of k (no. of candidate relations) on the NYT-10m English dev set. Results are shown in Figure 17. While the recall@k keeps on increasing even beyond k=5, the downstream F1 performance saturates at k = 5 showing that increasing k may not only increase LLM's prompt length but also confuse the LLM since the number of candidates is too large to filter the correct relation(s). Therefore, we fix k=5 consistently for all our experiments.

A.9 Detailed Language-wise Ablations

Results are presented in tables 9, 10, 11 and 12 for each of the 4 LLMs.

A.10 Dataset statistics

A.10.1 Test data split

We construct the test split from NYT-10m (Gao et al. 2021) using stratified sampling, ensuring a minimum of 30 instances per relation, except when a relation contains fewer than 30 instances in total. This results in 538 sentences, with the distribution of relation counts shown in Table 13. Since NYT-10m is a multi-label dataset, the total number of relation instances in the test split exceeds the number of sentences, amounting to 722.

Ablation variant	Ory	Sat	Mni	Tcy	mi.	mu.
HYDRE	36/24	25/18	24/13	39/26	31	**20**
w/o sem.sim.	38/22	24/16	**25/13**	**42/28**	32	**20**
w/o f_{PARE}	34/24	21/16	14/10	35/22	26	18
w/o both (Random)	33/22	24/14	17/10	30/18	26	16
w/o stage 1	**39/26**	**33/20**	23/10	38/25	**33**	**20**
w/o ICL	32/21	28/19	25/16	30/19	29	19

Table 9: Average F1 scores for **Llama3.1-8b** over our target languages for different ablation variants of our few-shot approach in *translate-train* setting

Ablation variant	Ory	Sat	Mni	Tcy	mi.	mu.
HYDRE	**56/40**	**39/23**	34/15	50/34	**45**	**28**
w/o sem. sim.	**56**/39	**39**/22	**35/16**	**51/36**	**45**	**28**
w/o f_{PARE}	54/**40**	38/**22**	33/14	49/32	44	27
w/o *PARE* (Random)	53/34	31/15	21/8	47/28	38	21
w/o stage 1	54/35	35/21	33/13	48/30	43	25
w/o ICL	50/30	27/15	10/6	44/22	33	18

Table 10: Average F1 scores for **Llama3.1-8b-FT**$_X$ over our target languages for different ablation variants of our few-shot approach in *translate-train* setting

A.10.2 Training data

We take the original training data from NYT-10m (Gao et al. 2021) and ensure that "NA" bags do not exceed 10% of total bags to avoid model overfit on "NA" label. This leads to a total number of 41624 training bags.

A.11 Data annotation for Indic languages

A.11.1 Annotator details

We conduct human verification for four Indic languages using native speakers—either students or IT professionals—who were proficient in reading and typing in their respective scripts. Each annotator was compensated approximately $60 for verifying translations of 538 sentences. Prior to annotation, the speakers were informed that the task was intended solely for research purposes and posed no risk to them.

Each annotator was presented with the following questionnaire, with binary (YES/NO) responses and rectifications requested in case of a NO:

1. **Q1.** Is the translation of the given English sentence correct?
2. **Q2.** Is the *head entity* correctly translated into your native language?
3. **Q3.** Is the *head entity* correctly projected in your native language?
4. **Q4.** Is the *tail entity* correctly translated into your native language?
5. **Q5.** Is the *tail entity* correctly projected in your native language?

A.11.2 Quality Assessment and Interannotator Agreement

We first assess the quality of the system-generated translations presented to annotators. Native speakers across all languages found the translations to be generally decent—likely due to high-quality output from IndicTrans2 (and Google Translate in the case of Tulu).

To quantify this, Table 14 reports:

1. The percentage of translations that required no human correction
2. The character-level F1 score (Char-F1) between the original system-generated translation and the human-corrected version (for cases requiring rectification).

To further evaluate annotation reliability, we conducted an inter-annotator agreement study. A second native speaker independently judged the quality of translations for 100 randomly sampled sentences in each language. Agreement is reported as the percentage of samples where the second speaker's judgment matched that of the first. Results are shown in Table 15.

In summary, on average, 74% of system-generated translations were accepted as correct by native speakers, and for the remaining, the human-corrected outputs had a 93% Char-F1 match with the original translations. Inter-annotator agreement for human-corrected outputs averaged 91%, indicating strong consistency and translation quality across languages.

Ablation variant	Ory	Sat	Mni	Tcy	mi.	mu.
HYDRE	54/52	23/14	15/5	57/**54**	37	**31**
w/o sem. sim.	**56**/53	23/12	14/6	57/52	**38**	**31**
w/o f_{PARE}	55/53	**24/15**	15/5	55/52	37	**31**
w/o both (Random)	55/**55**	19/11	15/5	**58**/53	37	**31**
w/o stage 1	51/52	17/9	**16/7**	52/50	34	30
w/o ICL	54/36	15/8	8/4	53/33	33	20

Table 11: Average F1 scores for **Qwen3-235B-A22B** over our target languages for different ablation variants of our few-shot approach in *translate-train* setting

Ablation variant	Ory	Sat	Mni	Tcy	mi.	mu.
HYDRE	57/56	20/11	21/14	**58/57**	**39**	**35**
w/o sem. sim.	**58**/56	17/11	20/**15**	57/55	38	34
w/o f_{PARE}	57/**57**	18/**12**	**22/15**	56/52	38	34
w/o both (Random)	55/55	15/8	16/10	57/55	36	32
w/o stage 1	57/56	**20**/11	20/**15**	57/**57**	**39**	**35**
w/o ICL	54/38	12/6	12/7	48/32	32	21

Table 12: Average F1 scores for **GPT-4o** over our target languages for different ablation variants of our few-shot approach in *translate-train* setting

A.12 Additional results and ablations on Wiki-20m

We expand our evaluation on another English dataset Wiki-20m (Gao et al., 2021), containing 2386 manually annotated test sentences and 81 relations (including "NA"). Table 16 presents the results and ablations for GPT-4o and Llama-3.1-8b-Instruct models. We observe that HYDRE achieves huge gains compared to 0-shot and ablations, beating it's closest competitor by 10 and 20 micro F1 points respectively for GPT-4o and Llama-3.1, showing that our approach also scales well when the number of relations in the ontology is large (80 in this case).

A.13 Semantic retrieval hurts performance for low-resource languages

We try to use both off-the-shelf retriever BGE-m3 and a fine-tuned retriever (*CIL-X*'s sentence encoder) for HYDRE in translate-train setting. We observe (Table 17) that though the fine-tuned retriever's performance is significantly better than BGE-m3, they both are worse compare to the variant of HYDRE that only uses *PARE-X*'s confidence for candidate scoring (results in table). This analysis suggest that semantic similarity is not useful in translate-train settings for our target languages.

A.14 Additional ablation to justify aggregate confidence for sentence selection

HYDRE selects the representative sentence based on aggregated confidence over all labels of the bag. This helps surface sentences with stronger overall evidence, and not just noisy single-label confidence. We justify our design choice with an additional ablation *Candidate-only scoring* in which we use only candidate label's confidence score for stage 2 retrieval instead of aggregate score over all bag labels. Results are shown in Table 18. While candidate-only scoring performs comparably for GPT-4o, aggregate scoring yields substantial gains for smaller LLMs like Llama and Qwen3, validating its broader effectiveness.

Relation	Count
/people/person/place_lived	73
/people/person/nationality	34
/business/person/company	34
/people/person/place_of_birth	31
/location/location/contains	102
/location/country/administrative_divisions	58
/business/location	33
/location/administrative_division/country	31
/business/company/advisors	37
/business/company/founders	31
/business/company/majorshareholders	4
/location/neighborhood/neighborhood_of	30
/location/country/capital	30
/film/film/featured_film_locations	1
/location/us_county/county_seat	6
/people/person/children	30
/people/deceasedperson/place_of_death	30
/people/deceasedperson/place_of_burial	4
/people/ethnicity/geographic_distribution	30
/location/region/capital	12
/business/company/place_founded	4
/people/person/religion	21
/time/event/locations	3
/people/person/ethnicity	23
NA	30
Total	538

Table 13: Label-wise statistics of our evaluation data. Total number of sentences (538) in our test split is different from total number of labels (722) due to multi-label characteristics of NYT-10m dataset.

Language	No Rectification Needed (%)	Char-F1 Match (if rectified)
Oriya	69	92
Santali	72	88
Manipuri	83	96
Tulu	73	95
Average	74	93

Table 14: Percentage of system translations requiring no rectification, and character-level F1 match for rectified translations.

Language	Translation (%)	Head entity projection	Tail entity projection
Oriya	92	92	92
Santali	89	84	87
Manipuri	85	98	100
Tulu	96	92	88
Average	91	92	92

Table 15: Inter-annotator agreement for 100 samples in each language

Ablation	Llama3.1	GPT-4o
0-shot	11/16	55/48
HYDRE	**54/53**	**67/63**
Ablations		
w/o semantic similarity	25/29	34/36
w/o PARE confidence	21/16	40/36
w/o Stage 1	34/34	57/54
w/o Stage 2	39/39	38/37
w/o ICL	3/4	12/4

Table 16: English F1 (micro/macro) scores on Wiki-20m evaluation set.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: But Mr. Wallace , 45 , ... in partnership for a time with <Tail> Mark Thatcher </Tail> , son of the former British Prime Minister <Head> Margaret Thatcher </Head> , has detractors , ...
Output: /children

Input: In the wake of the torture and killing in February of <Head> Ilan Halimi </Head> , a 23-year-old Jew , attention has focused on an undeniable problem : anti-Semitism among <Tail> France </Tail> 's second-generation immigrant youth , ...
Output: /nationality

Input: Another concern is that <Tail> Ethiopia </Tail> and Eritrea , bitter enemies that recently fought ... , with Eritrea suspected of ... to support the Islamists and <Head> Ethiopian </Head> officials now admitting , ...
Output: /geographic_distribution

Input: The case has fueled feelings here of an assault against <Tail> Islam </Tail> , coming after ... and , more recently , cartoons ... that mocked the Prophet <Head> Muhammad </Head> .
Output: /religion

Input: ... , Mr. Delli Colli worked with generations of <Tail> Italian </Tail> directors , including <Head> Pier Paolo Pasolini </Head> , ...
Output: /ethnicity

Query:

Input: A jury convicted a 27-year-old British <Tail> Muslim </Tail> , <Head> Umran Javed </Head> , of soliciting murder and inciting racial hatred ... .

Outputs:

HYDRE: **/religion**
GPT-4o 0-shot: **/ethnicity**

Figure 4: **Example 4**: HYDRE correctly predicts the *"Religion"* label while 0-shot confuses it with *"Ethnicity"*.

Ablation variant	Llama3.1	Llama3.1-ft	GPT-4o
HYDRE (using only *PARE-X* confidence)	**32**	**45**	38
sem. sim. (BGE-M3)	24	42	36
sem. sim. (*CIL-X*)	26	44	**39**

Table 17: Average F1 scores over our target languages for HYDRE (using only *PARE-X* confidence) and sem. sim. variants (both off-the-shelf and fine-tuned) in *translate-train* setting.

Ablation variant	GPT-4o	Qwen3	Llama3.1
HYDRE (aggregate scoring)	**63**/60	**63/62**	**52/47**
Candidate-only scoring	**63/62**	62/60	47/35

Table 18: Ablation of confidence aggregation step for sentence selection in Stage 3.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: Mr. White , 54 , of <Tail> Centerport </Tail> , has held top environmental posts with <Head> Suffolk County </Head> and the Town of Huntington .
Output: /location/location/contains

Input: Being able to combine Loudeye services with <Head> Nokia </Head> terminals provides ... , " said Ilkka Raiskinen , senior vice president for multimedia experiences at Nokia , based in <Tail> Espoo </Tail> , Finland .
Output: /place_founded

Input: When people say '...', Jerry was just as responsible for that as my dad , " ' said <Tail> Brian Henson </Tail> , <Head> Jim Henson </Head> 's son , who serves with his sister Lisa as chairman and chief executive of the Jim Henson Company .
Output: /children

Input: ... , among them Larry Page and <Tail> Sergey Brin </Tail> , the co-founders of <Head> Google </Head> , who bought ... .
Output: /business/company/founders, /business/company/majorshareholders

Input: The service has more ways to shield users ' identities .... , said <Tail> Antony Brydon </Tail> , <Head> Visible Path </Head> 's chief executive , above . "
Output: /business/company/founders

Query:

Input: " <Head> MySpace </Head> is dedicated to ensuring that ..., " <Tail> Chris DeWolfe </Tail> , the chief executive of MySpace , said in a statement .

Outputs:

HYDRE: **/business/company/advisors**
0-shot: **/business/person/company**

Figure 5: **Example 5**: HYDRE correctly predicts the *"Advisors"* label while 0-shot misses it.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: Mr. Marek started the <Head> Fairfield </Head> Theater Company in 2001 ... at <Tail> Fairfield University </Tail> .
Output: /location/location/contains

Input: But Mr. Wallace , 45 , a businessman and an investor in partnership for a time with <Tail> Mark Thatcher </Tail> , son of the former British Prime Minister <Head> Margaret Thatcher </Head> , has detractors , including ... . "
Output: /people/person/children

Input: Behind the News – Founded eight years ago in a Silicon Valley garage by two <Tail> Stanford University </Tail> graduate students , <Head> Google </Head> went public two years ago at $ 85 a share .
Output: /business/company/place_founded

Input: A notch or two down-market , the 777 's , 767 's and 757 's are often coveted by corporate titans , among them Larry Page and <Tail> Sergey Brin </Tail> , the co-founders of <Head> Google </Head> , who bought ... .
Output: /business/company/founders /business/company/majorshareholders

Input: When he was 32 , <Tail> Bill Hambrecht </Tail> was a co-founder of <Head> Hambrecht & Quist </Head> , a West Coast investment bank that ... .
Output: /business/company/founders

Query:

Input: Mr. Bechtolsheim , one of the first investors in <Head> Google </Head> , co-founded Kealia in 2001 with <Tail> David Cheriton </Tail> , a Stanford professor who was another early Google investor .

Outputs:

HYDRE: **/business/company/majorshareholders**
0-shot: **/people/person/company**

Figure 6: **Example 6:** HYDRE correctly predicts the "*Majorshareholders*" relation while 0-shot fails to recognize it.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: ... Mr. Koppel to take another look at a once-unknown man , <Head> Morrie Schwartz </Head> , a <Tail> Brandeis University </Tail> professor who ... .
Output: /business/person/company

Input: ... as you race away from the pleasant corporate maw of <Tail> Seattle </Tail> , from Starbucks and <Head> Boeing </Head> , Amazon and Microsoft .
Output: /business/company/place_founded

Input: ... <Head> Ernest Hemingway </Head> was born in <Tail> Oak Park </Tail> in 1899 and lived here through high school .
Output: /place_of_birth
/people/person/place_lived

Input: ... Mr. Narayanan 's body will be cremated ... in <Tail> New Delhi </Tail> , near the funeral ground of <Head> Jawaharlal Nehru </Head> , India 's first prime minister ... .
Output: /place_of_death
/place_lived

Input: The easiest ... way to see <Tail> Philadelphia </Tail> is to stick with the older , central parts of town , emulate <Head> Benjamin Franklin </Head> ... .
Output: /place_of_death
/place_lived

Query:

Input: Poe , Evermore A mystery man arrived at <Head> Edgar Allan Poe </Head> 's grave at the Westminster Burial Grounds in <Tail> Baltimore </Tail> on Friday morning , as he has on Poe 's birthday (Jan. 19) every year since 1949 , ...

Outputs:

HYDRE: **/place_of_burial, /place_lived**
0-shot: **/place_of_burial**

Figure 7: **Example 7:** HYDRE correctly predicts both "*place_of_burial*" and "*place_lived*" while 0-shot partially predicts only one of them.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: ... Mendelssohn , who was born Jewish and converted to Christianity , and <Head> Otto Klemperer </Head> , who converted to Christianity and then back to <Tail> Judaism </Tail> .
Output: /religion

Input: As the <Head> <Tail> Baltimore </Tail> Orioles </Head> return home ... , Baltimore embraces its rich sports and maritime history .
Output: /business/location

Input: <Head> Lorenzo Da Ponte </Head> , a Bridge From <Tail> Italy </Tail> to New York " includes three vocal recitals , beginning tonight with ... .
Output: /nationality

Input: The Museum of Modern Art 's exhibition of four films starring the <Tail> Italian </Tail> actress <Head> Laura Morante </Head> concludes this weekend with four films , including ... .
Output: /ethnicity

Input: ... <Head> Madhesi </Head> ethnic group , which by some estimates represents as much as a third of <Tail> Nepal </Tail> 's population of 29 million , has been granted citizenship rights ... .
Output: /geographic_distribution

Query:

Input: Among the performances of note : ... the <Head> Italian </Head> dancer ALESSANDRA FERRI gives her final performance with the company on Saturday night , with ROBERTO BOLLE , a guest artist also from <Tail> Italy </Tail> .

Outputs:

Correct: /geographic_distribution, /nationality
HYDRE: **/geographic_distribution**
0-shot: **/nationality**

Figure 8: **Example 8:** HYDRE partially predicts "*/geographic_distribution*" while 0-shot partially predicts the other label "*/nationality*".

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: ... owned by a <Tail> Cincinnati </Tail> company , American Financial Group , whose chairman and chief executive officer is Carl H. Lindner III , who is also an owner of the <Head> Cincinnati Reds </Head> .
Output: /business/location

Input: A biomedical research institute in <Tail> Chengdu </Tail> , <Head> China </Head> , is planning to show true commitment to scientific principles ... .
Output: /location/location/contains /location/country/administrative_divisions

Input: <Tail> Robert Bigelow </Tail> , the founder of <Head> Budget Suites of America </Head> , is likely to push forward ... .
Output: /founders

Input: A notch or two down-market , the 777 's , 767 's and 757 's are often coveted by corporate titans , among them Larry Page and <Tail> Sergey Brin </Tail> , the co-founders of <Head> Google </Head> , who bought ... .
Output: /founders
/majorshareholders

Input: The N.F.L. ... is very popular , ... , " said Tony Ponturo , vice president for global media and sports marketing at <Head> Anheuser-Busch </Head> in <Tail> St. Louis </Tail> , ... "
Output: /place_founded

Query:

Input: <Head> Nestlé </Head> , based in <Tail> Vevey </Tail> , Switzerland , ...

Outputs:

Correct: /business/location
HYDRE: **/place_founded**
0-shot: **/place_founded**

Figure 9: **Example 9:** Both HYDRE and 0-shot misclassify the *"/business/location"* label as *"/place_founded"*

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: But Mr. Wallace ... in partnership for a time with <Tail> Mark Thatcher </Tail> , son of the former British Prime Minister <Head> Margaret Thatcher </Head> , has detractors ... .
Output: /people/person/children

Input: Because the Newbery is open only to American citizens or residents , one enormously popular writer who is n't in the running is <Head> Cornelia Funke </Head> , who lives in <Tail> Germany </Tail> and whose books appear here in translation .
Output: /people/person/nationality

Input: <Head> Keith Jarrett </Head> lives on the New Jersey side of the Pennsylvania border , within an hour 's drive of his childhood home of <Tail> Allentown </Tail> , Pa. .
Output: /people/person/place_of_birth
/people/person/place_lived

Input: ... , Pollan finds his hero in <Head> Joel Salatin </Head> , an " alternative " farmer in <Tail> Virginia </Tail> ... .
Output: /people/person/place_lived

Input: Charles G. Taylor , the former president of Liberia ... arrived in handcuffs in the <Tail> Netherlands </Tail> on Tuesday , and was immediately taken to the jail near <Head> The Hague </Head> ... .
Output: /administrative_division/country

Query:

Input: Mr. Meshal lives in exile in <Head> Damascus </Head> , <Tail> Syria </Tail> , where the government has rebuffed all Western requests to close his office .

Outputs:

Correct: /administrative_division/country
HYDRE: **/location/location/contains**
0-shot: **/location/location/contains**

Figure 10: **Example 10:** Both HYDRE and 0-shot misclassify the *"/administrative_division/country"* label as *"/location/location/contains"*

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: ... the epic poem " Paterson " by <Head> William Carlos Williams </Head> , a native of <Tail> Rutherford </Tail> .
Output: /people/person/place_of_birth

Input: It goes on to list notable <Tail> Mississippi </Tail> writers including William Faulkner , <Head> Richard Wright </Head> , ...
Output: /people/person/place_lived

Input: ... , including Giocangga , the founder of the <Head> Manchu </Head> dynasty in <Tail> China </Tail> , and Niall of the Nine Hostages , ... "
Output: /people/ethnicity/geographic_distribution

Input: <Head> Anthony Trollope </Head> , the brilliant depicter of the 19th-century social strata in <Tail> England </Tail> , ...
Output: /people/person/nationality

Input: ... , Mr. Delli Colli worked with generations of <Tail> Italian </Tail> directors , including <Head> Pier Paolo Pasolini </Head> , ...
Output: /people/person/ethnicity

Query:

Input: Lukacs , a distinguished historian of 20th-century Europe , makes very large claims for his subject in " George Kennan " : He was " a better writer and a better thinker " than <Head> Henry Adams </Head> ; he was " the best and finest <Tail> American </Tail> writer about Europe " in the interwar years , better than Hemingway .

Outputs:

Correct: /people/person/ethnicity
HYDRE: **/people/person/nationality**
0-shot: **/people/person/nationality**

Figure 11: **Example 11:** Both HYDRE and 0-shot misclassify the *"/people/person/ethnicity"* label as *"/people/person/nationality"*

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: Halliburton operates in Iran through a unit based in nearby <Head> Dubai </Head> , <Tail> United Arab Emirates </Tail> , ...
Output: /administrative_division/country

Input: ... when the State Department sponsored its tour to Damascus , Homs and <Tail> Lattakia </Tail> , <Head> Syria </Head> .
Output: /location/location/contains /country/administrative_divisions

Input: That is one reason that <Head> Hunan </Head> 's fast-growing provincial capital , <Tail> Changsha </Tail> , is beginning to ... .
Output: /location/location/contains /region/capital

Input: It has outfitted the World Financial Center and the new Bloomberg L.P. headquarters in New York as well as the <Tail> Cheung Kong Center </Tail> in <Head> Hong Kong </Head> ... .
Output: /location/location/contains

Input: There is no shortage of cruises that stop in either <Tail> Tallinn </Tail> , <Head> Estonia </Head> , or Riga , Latvia , or both .
Output: /location/location/contains /location/country/capital

Query:

Input: Last year , it opened offices in Warsaw and <Tail> Bucharest </Tail> , the capital of <Head> Romania </Head> .

Outputs:

Correct: /country/capital, /country/administrative_divisions, /location/location/contains
HYDRE: **/location/location/contains, /country/capital**
0-shot: **/country/capital**

Figure 12: **Example 12:** HYDRE misses the *"/country/administrative_divisions"* label while 0-shot misses both *"/country/administrative_divisions"* and /location/location/contains.

ICL Exemplars (HYDRE)

Input: Mr. Schwartz , 32 , teaches English ... as a <Tail> New York City </Tail> teaching fellow at Intermediate School 349 in <Head> Bushwick </Head> , Brooklyn .
Output: /neighborhood_of

Input: <Tail> Nyack </Tail> 's mayor , John Shields , said ... to locate a theater company in the area if efforts to save the <Head> Helen Hayes </Head> theater fail .
Output: /place_of_death

Input: "..." said Mr. Jordan , who just signed on with <Head> Mark Warner </Head> , a Democrat and the former governor of <Tail> Virginia </Tail> who is considering a run for president .
Output: /place_lived

Input: <Head> John David Booty </Head> 's decision to skip his senior year at ... in <Tail> Shreveport </Tail> did not ... .
Output: /place_of_birth, /place_lived

Input: Jack Emmert had already earned his master 's degree ... to become creative director at <Head> Cryptic Studios </Head> , a game company based in <Tail> Los Gatos </Tail> , Calif. , where he ... .
Output: /place_founded

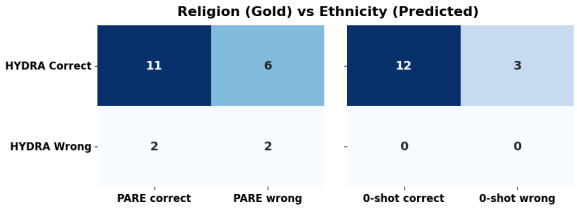
Query:

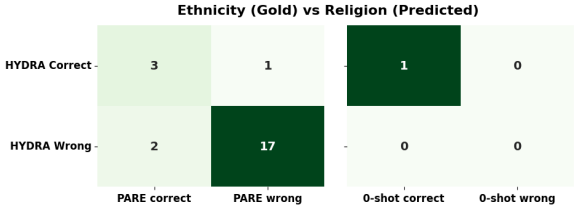
Input: But before Mr. Joffe , ... , accepted a job , a friend suggested he check out a <Tail> San Francisco </Tail> start-up , <Head> Powerset </Head> , which is trying to build a rival search engine .

Outputs:

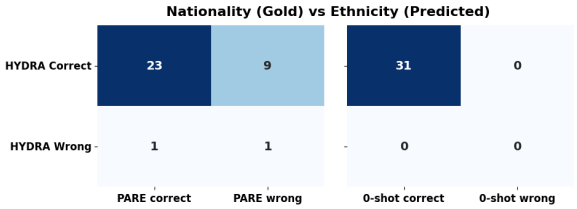
Correct: /business/location, /place_founded
HYDRE: **/place_founded**
0-shot: **/place_founded**

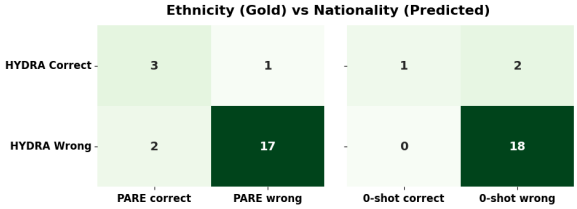
Figure 13: **Example 13:** Both HYDRE and 0-shot GPT-4o miss the obvious label *"/business/location"* while correctly predict a more nuanced label *"/place_founded"*.





a Religion vs Ethnicity





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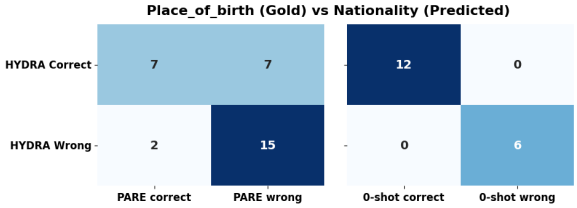

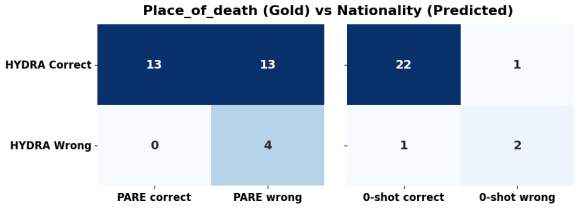

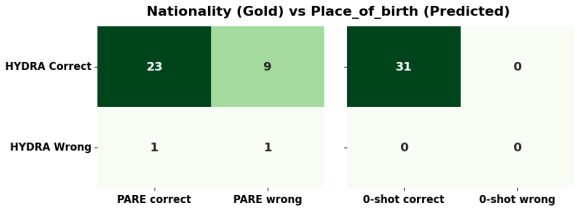

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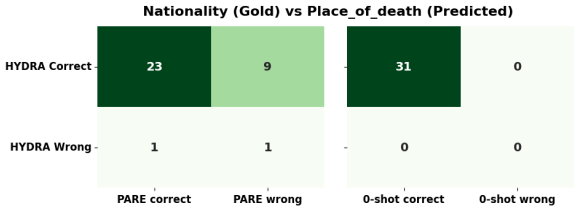

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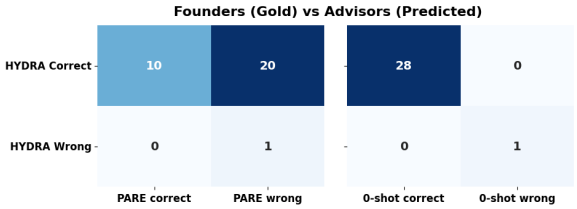

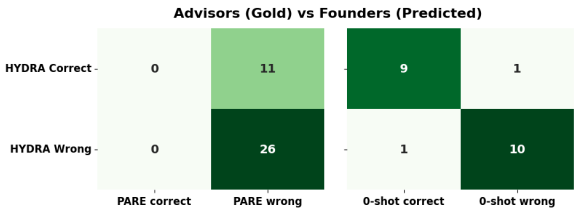

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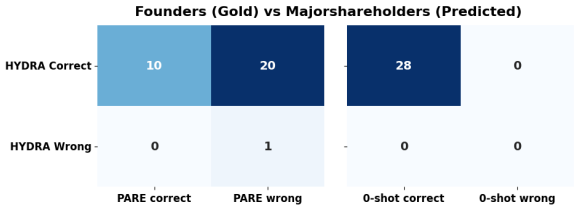

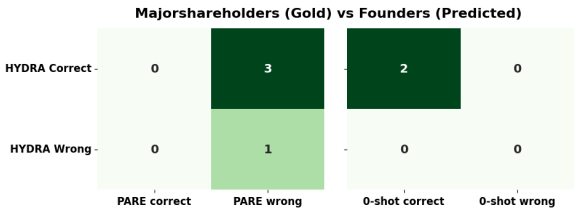

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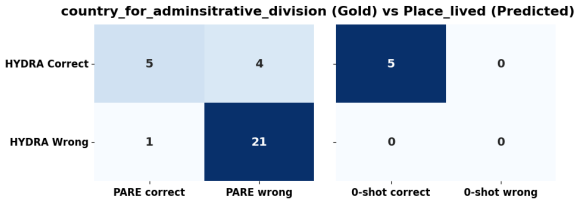
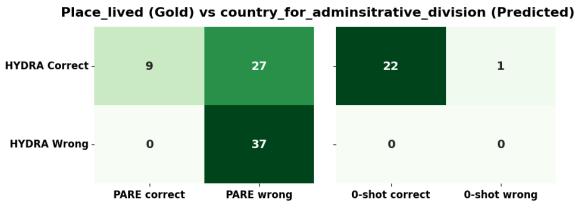
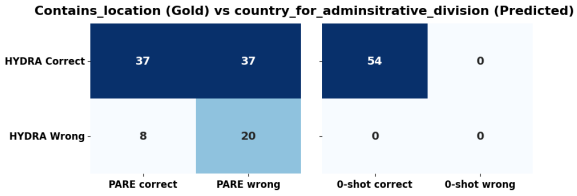
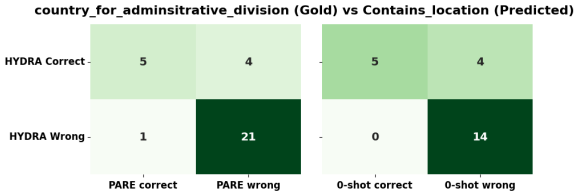
Figure 14: Confusion matrices analyzing HYDRE vs the baselines across relation types





a Country for Administrative divisions vs Place lived





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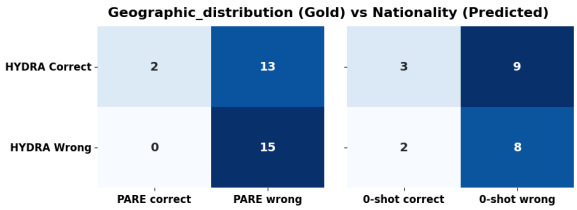
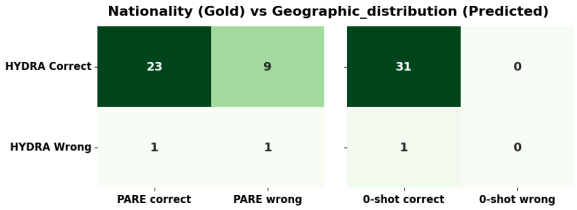
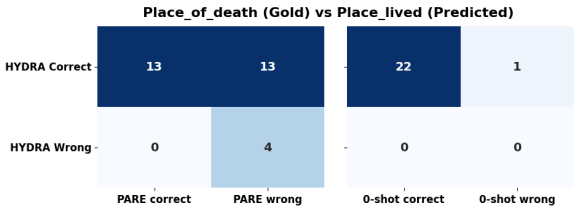
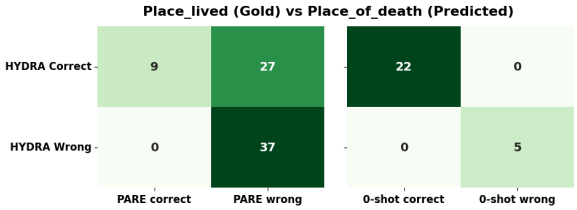


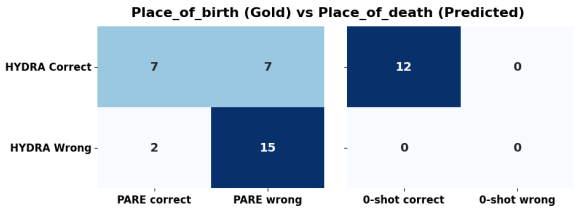


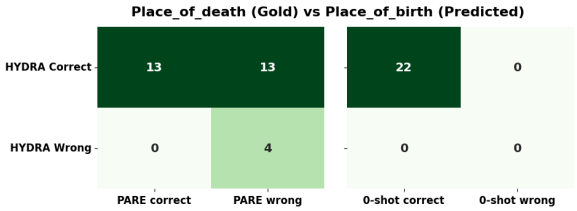
c Nationality vs Geographic distribution





d Place lived vs Place of Death





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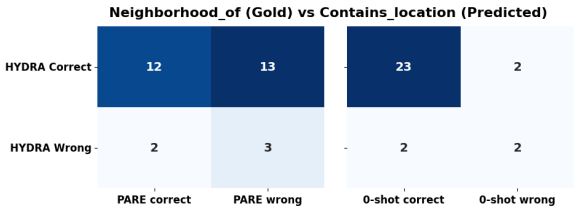
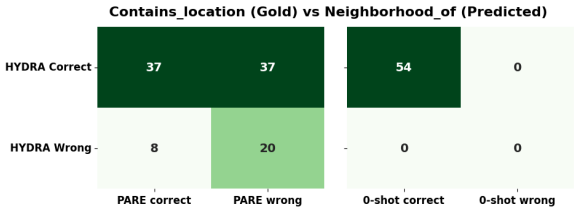
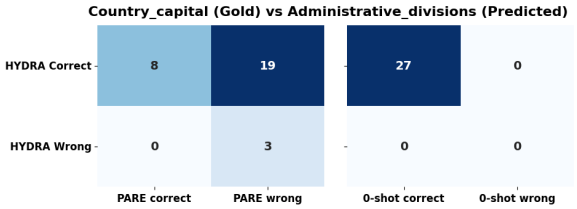
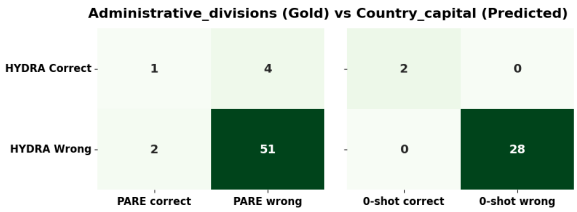




f Neighborhood_of vs Contains_location

Figure 15: Confusion matrices analyzing HYDRE vs the baselines across relation types





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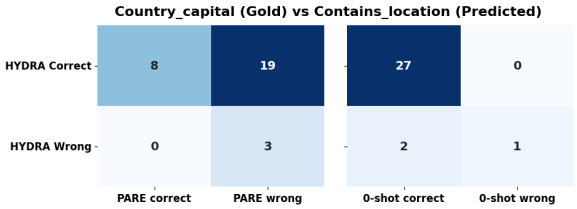

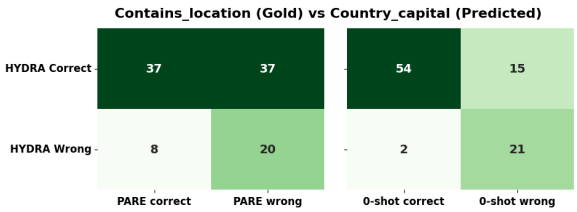

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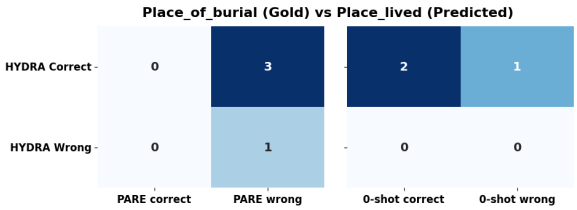
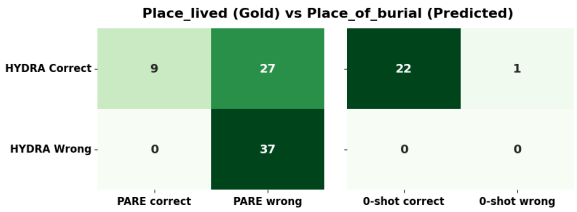
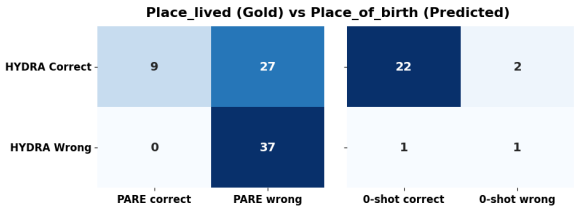
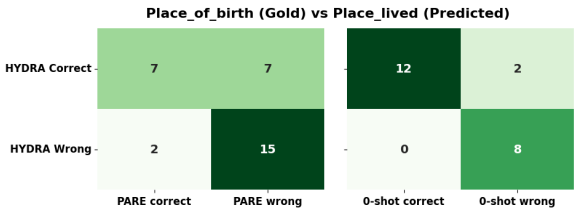




c Place of Burial vs Place lived





d Place of birth vs Place lived

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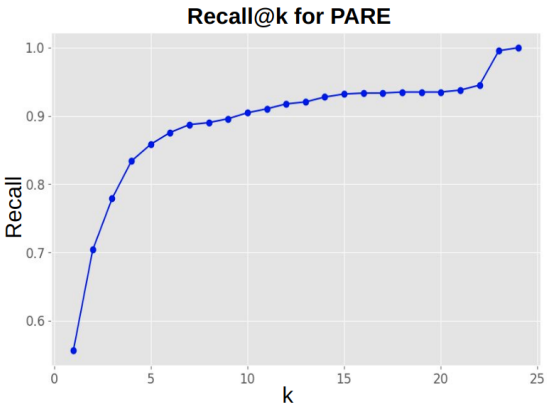

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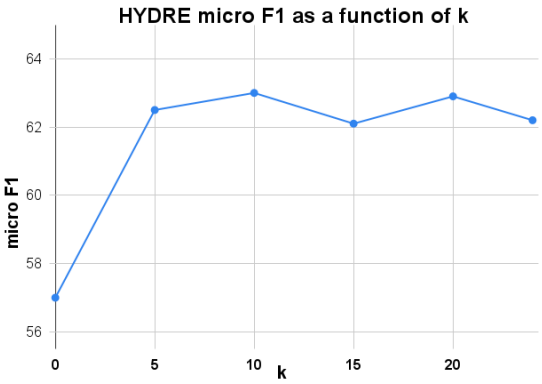

b HYDRE (GPT-4o) micro-F1 v/s k

Figure 17: Analysis of PARE's Recall@k and HYDRE (GPT-4o) downstream performance on NYT-10m English dev set