

Graph Memory-based Editing for Large Language Models

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Abstract

The information within Large Language Models (LLMs) quickly becomes outdated, prompting the development of various techniques to perform knowledge editing with new facts. However, existing knowledge editing methods often overlook the interconnected nature of facts, failing to account for the ripple effects caused by changing one piece of information. In our research, we introduce GMeLLO (Graph Memory-based Editing for Large Language Models), a straightforward memory-based approach. GMeLLO stores all relevant facts externally in a Knowledge Graph (KG) and directs the language model to engage in semantic parsing. This involves translating natural language questions into formal queries to extract information from the KG. Notably, our method eliminates the need to fine-tune LLMs, ensuring that edited facts do not corrupt other information. In our experimental findings, we noted a noteworthy enhancement of GMeLLO in comparison to state-of-the-art model editors on the MQuAKE benchmark—a dataset tailored for multi-hop question answering, particularly evident when editing multiple facts simultaneously.

1 Introduction

As the widespread deployment of Large Language Models (LLMs) continues, the imperative to maintain their knowledge accuracy and currency, without incurring extensive retraining costs, becomes increasingly evident (Sinitsin et al., 2020). Several approaches have been proposed in prior works to address this challenge, with some focusing on the incremental injection of new facts into language models (Rawat et al., 2020; De Cao et al., 2021; Meng et al., 2022; Mitchell et al., 2022a). Interestingly, certain methodologies in the literature diverge from the conventional path of updating model weights, opting instead for an innovative strategy involving the use of external memory to store the edits (Mitchell et al., 2022b; Zhong et al., 2023).

As LLMs operate as black boxes, modifying one fact might inadvertently alter another, making it challenging to guarantee accurate revisions. In light of this challenge, opting for an external memory system, rather than directly editing the LLMs, emerges as a prudent choice. On a different note, even though information undergoes rapid evolution, the patterns of sentences—various ways to convey meaning—tend to change at a comparatively slower rate. LLMs, trained on an extensive corpus of sentences (Brown et al., 2020; Rae et al., 2022; Chowdhery et al., 2023), are expected to encapsulate a diverse range of commonly used sentence structures. As such, they prove to be invaluable tools for analyzing intricate relation chains within sentences.

This paper introduces GMeLLO, an innovative approach designed to synergize the strengths of LLMs and KG in addressing the multi-hop question answering task after knowledge editing (Zhong et al., 2023). An illustrative example is presented in Figure 1. Following an update regarding the information of the British Prime Minister, it becomes evident that the corresponding spouse information should also be modified.

Specifically, we utilize LLMs to analyze question sentences, extracting the underlying relation chain. Simultaneously, we employ the KG as an external memory to maintain up-to-date information, encompassing both the modified and unaltered facts. Ultimately, we translate the relation chain into a formal query using heuristic rules and search for information within the KG. Using LLMs for question analysis ensures coverage of diverse patterns, thanks to their extensive training on large datasets, enabling them to understand various representations of the same meaning. Once the correct relation chain is returned, using a formal query to interrogate the KG ensures precision. Through experimentation, GMeLLO demonstrates significantly enhanced performance compared to current base-

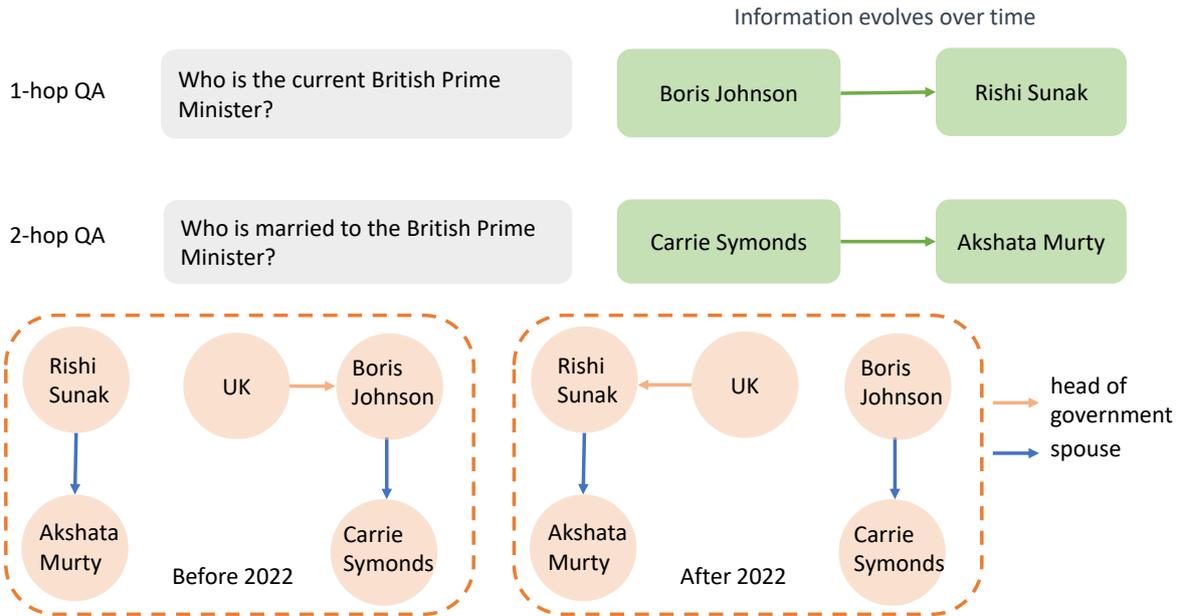


Figure 1: Dynamic nature of information: Changes over time may trigger subsequent modifications. For instance, a transition in the British Prime Minister, such as from Boris Johnson to Rishi Sunak, necessitates corresponding adjustments, like the change in the British Prime Minister’s spouse.

line models on the MQuAKE benchmark-multi-hop question answering dataset for knowledge editing, affirming its effectiveness.

2 Related Work

The primary focus of this paper is on knowledge editing for multi-hop question answering, with our predominant methodology being semantic parsing. Consequently, we delve into the related work within both research domains.

2.1 Knowledge Editing

As highlighted in Yao et al. (2023), two paradigms exist for editing LLMs: preserving model parameters and modifying model parameters. In the case of preserving model parameters, the introduction of additional parameters or external memory becomes necessary. The paradigm of additional parameters, as presented in (Dong et al., 2022; Hartvigsen et al., 2022; Huang et al., 2022), incorporates extra trainable parameters into the language model. These parameters are trained on a modified knowledge dataset, while the original model parameters remain static. On the other hand, memory-based models (Mitchell et al., 2022b; Zhong et al., 2023) explicitly store all edited examples in memory and employ a retriever to extract the most relevant edit facts for each new input, guiding the model in generating the edited output.

In the case of modifying model parameters, this can be further categorized into meta-learning or locate-and-edit approaches. Meta-learning methods, as discussed in (De Cao et al., 2021; Mitchell et al., 2022a), utilize a hyper network to learn the necessary adjustments for editing LLMs. The locate-then-edit paradigm, as demonstrated in (Dai et al., 2022; Meng et al., 2022, 2023; Li et al., 2023; Gupta et al., 2023), involves initially identifying parameters corresponding to specific knowledge and subsequently modifying them through direct updates to the target parameters.

While previous evaluation paradigms have primarily focused on validating the recall of edited facts, Zhong et al. (2023) proposed MQuAKE, a benchmark dataset comprising multi-hop questions. This dataset assesses whether edited models correctly answer questions where the response should change as a consequence of edited facts.

2.2 Semantic Parsing

Semantic parsing involves the conversion of natural language utterances into task-specific meaning representations. Recently, there has been a growing reliance on LLMs to facilitate semantic parsing in scenarios with limited data availability. Certain studies impose constraints on the output of LLMs to generate canonical representations that can be seamlessly mapped back to meaning representations (Shin et al., 2021). Others investigate the

139 technique of prompt tuning to enhance semantic
140 parsing with LLMs (Schucher et al., 2022; Drozdov
141 et al., 2022).

142 In a novel approach, Yang et al. (2022) breaks
143 down canonical utterance generation into subclause
144 generation and integrates the generated subclauses
145 to form a canonical utterance. Additionally, Ru-
146 bino et al. (2022) introduces a cross-schema parser
147 designed for various tasks within a specific vertical.
148 This is achieved by incorporating schema-specific
149 context into the input alongside the utterance. An-
150 other unique perspective is presented by Zhao et al.
151 (2022), who decompose parsing into abstractive
152 Question-Answering (QA) tasks, generating an-
153 swers to construct a meaning representation.

154 In contrast to these methods, which typically
155 assume access to data from the same domain, in
156 a consistent format from a different domain, or
157 synthetically generated from a synchronous gram-
158 mar, ZERO-TOP (Mekala et al., 2023) proposes
159 a zero-shot task-oriented parsing method, which
160 dissects a semantic parsing problem into a series
161 of abstractive and extractive question-answering
162 problems.

163 3 GMeLLO: Graph Memory-based 164 Editing for Large Language Models

165 In this section, we explore the intricacies of our
166 innovative knowledge editing method, GMeLLO,
167 leveraging the combined strengths of LLMs and
168 KGs. Drawing inspiration from memory-based
169 knowledge-editing approaches (Mitchell et al.,
170 2022b; Zhong et al., 2023), GMeLLO preserves
171 the foundational language model in a frozen state
172 while storing all edits in an explicit memory. Figure
173 2 provides a visual representation of the GMeLLO
174 framework.

175 3.1 Extracting the Relation Chain of a 176 Question Sentence Using LLMs

177 Given the rapid pace of change in the world, LLMs’
178 training data may become quickly outdated. There-
179 fore, we recommend employing LLMs for sentence
180 analysis rather than relying on them for direct an-
181 swers. This approach is justified by the relatively
182 slower evolution of patterns compared to the in-
183 tricate details. In this paper, we employ LLMs to
184 extract the relation chain from a sentence, encom-
185 passing the mentioned entity and relations with
186 other unidentified entities. To mitigate varied repre-
187 sentations of the same relation, we task LLMs with

188 selecting a relation from a predefined list. Take a
189 question sentence from the MQuAKE dataset as an
190 example,

- 191 • Question: What is the capital of the country
192 of citizenship of the child of the creator of
193 Eeyore?
- 194 • Relation Chain: Eeyore->creator->?x->child-
195 >?y->country of citizenship->?z->capital-
196 >?m

197 The presented question necessitates a 4-hop reason-
198 ing process. With "Eeyore" as the known entity in
199 focus, the journey to the final answer involves iden-
200 tifying its creator, moving on to the creator’s child,
201 obtaining the child’s country of citizenship, and
202 culminating with the retrieval of the country’s cap-
203 ital. The relation chain encapsulates all essential
204 information for arriving at the conclusive answer.

205 To ensure that LLMs comprehend the task of ex-
206 tracting the relation chain and generate output in a
207 structured template, we employ in-context learning
208 (Dong et al., 2023). This technique involves pro-
209 viding LLMs with a set of examples in the prompt,
210 guiding them through the desired output format.

211 3.2 Utilizing KGs for Storing Correlated 212 Facts to Enhance Multi-hop Reasoning

213 KGs play a pivotal role in enhancing the capabil-
214 ities of LLMs by offering external knowledge for
215 improved inference and interpretability, as demon-
216 strated by recent studies (Pan et al., 2023; Rawte
217 et al., 2023). Unlike conventional approaches
218 that rely on question templates for each relation
219 type (Petroni et al., 2019; Meng et al., 2022), and
220 then store the updated information in an external
221 memory as a list of separated sentence statements
222 (Zhong et al., 2023), we represent information as a
223 graph to preserve inherent connections.

224 In our approach, we consolidate all relevant in-
225 formation within a KG. Rather than constructing a
226 new external memory specifically for updated data,
227 we opt for a more efficient strategy—directly up-
228 dating the existing KG. This not only simplifies the
229 information storage process but also leverages the
230 inherent connectivity within the graph, providing a
231 more cohesive and context-rich representation of
232 correlated facts.

233 Our mechanism offers an additional advantage
234 by storing both updated and unchanged facts. This
235 approach facilitates the identification of conflicts
236 between facts. In contrast, if only updated facts

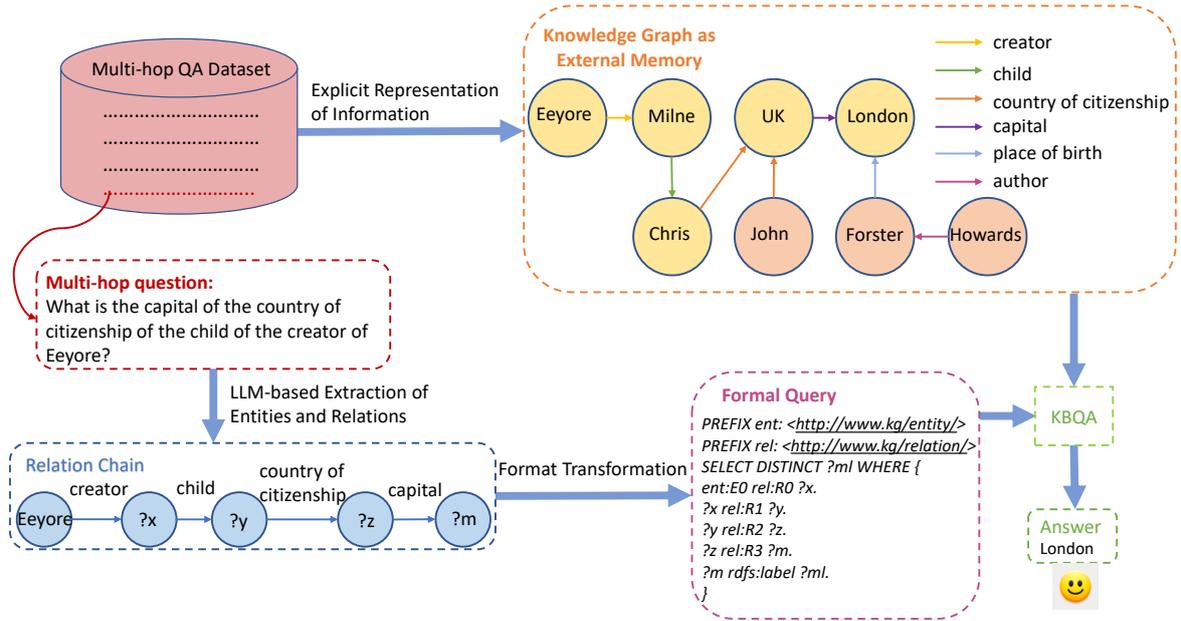


Figure 2: The illustration delineates our proposed method, GMeLLO. Commencing the process, we establish a KG either by extracting information from the QA dataset or by utilizing an existing KG as the foundational external memory. If there are updates to the information, we directly modify the KG. Simultaneously, we leverage LLMs to extract the primary relation chain from a given multi-hop question, capturing the known entity and its relationships with other unidentified entities. Following the acquisition of the relation chain, we transform it into a formal query format, such as SPARQL. Armed with the KG and the formal query, we employ Knowledge-based Question Answering (KBQA) (Lan et al., 2022) to deduce the final answer.

are explicitly stored, detecting inconsistencies between updated facts and unchanged ones becomes challenging, as the latter are not explicitly recorded. We provide further details on this matter in Section 4.5.2.

3.3 Converting the Relation Chain into a Formal Query for Retrieving Updated Information from KGs

Once the relation chain is obtained, the next step involves extracting the known entity and the relations from the relation chain, integrating them into a formal query template. To optimize the retrieval process from a KG, we enhance efficiency by initially mapping entity and relation strings to their corresponding identifiers within the KG. This mapping information is conveniently stored in a separate file.

For instance, consider a KG represented in RDF¹ format and a corresponding SPARQL² query. The relation chain elucidated in Section 3.1 should be represented as follows, underscoring the seamless integration of the obtained information into a structured query framework.

¹<https://www.w3.org/RDF/>

²<https://www.w3.org/TR/sparql11-query/>

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PREFIX ent: <http://www.kg/entity/>
PREFIX rel: <http://www.kg/relation/>
SELECT DISTINCT ?m1 WHERE {
  ent:E0 rel:R0 ?x.
  ?x rel:R1 ?y.
  ?y rel:R2 ?z.
  ?z rel:R3 ?m.
  ?m rdfs:label ?m1.
}

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In this context, "ent" and "rel" serve as prefixes for entity and relation, respectively. The identifier "E0" uniquely represents "Eeyore" within the KG, while the identifiers for "creator," "child," "country of citizenship," and "capital" are denoted as "R0", "R1", "R2", and "R3" respectively. After identifying the entity "?m", we retrieve its string label "m1" as the final answer.

In conclusion, we harness the powerful capabilities of LLMs to analyze the question sentence and extract the relation chain—the foundation of a formal query. We systematically store all pertinent information, encompassing both updated and unchanged facts, within a KG. Armed with the formal query and the KG, our approach empowers us to conduct multi-hop question answering in a Knowledge-based Question Answering (KBQA)

286	(Lan et al., 2022) fashion. Beyond efficiency, our	4.1.3 Baseline Models	329
287	GMeLLO approach stands out by offering explain-	To demonstrate the effectiveness of our approach,	330
288	ability, a facet that will be elaborated upon in the	we conduct comparisons with the following state-	331
289	next section.	of-the-art knowledge editing methodologies.	332
290	4 Experiment	• MEND (Mitchell et al., 2022a). It trains a	333
291	Within our GMeLLO framework, we harness the	hypernetwork to generate weight updates by	334
292	analytical capabilities of LLMs to interpret sen-	transforming raw fine-tuning gradients based	335
293	tences rather than tasking them with direct question-	on an edited fact.	336
294	answering. In the upcoming section, we will con-	• MEMIT (Meng et al., 2023). It updates feed-	337
295	duct experiments to demonstrate the effectiveness	forward networks across various layers to in-	338
296	and superiority of employing our GMeLLO method-	corporate all relevant facts.	339
297	ology.	• MeLLO (Zhong et al., 2023). It employs a	340
298	4.1 Experiment Setup	memory-based approach for multi-hop ques-	341
299	4.1.1 Dataset	tion answering, storing all updated facts in an	342
300	Our experiment centers on the multi-hop question-	external memory. In contrast to our GMeLLO,	343
301	answering dataset, MQuAKE (Zhong et al., 2023).	their approach retains only the updated facts,	344
302	This dataset comprises MQuAKE-CF ³ , designed	with each fact stored as a separate sentence.	345
303	for counterfactual edits, and MQuAKE-T, tailored	4.1.4 Evaluation Metric	346
304	for temporal knowledge updates. These datasets	Building upon the framework proposed by Zhong	347
305	enable the evaluation of model editors under scen-	et al. (2023), our evaluation employs the following	348
306	arios involving counterfactual changes and real-	metrics to assess the effectiveness of edits:	349
307	world temporal updates.	• Edit-wise success rate: gauging the successful	350
308	Table 2 provides a summary of the statistics for	recall of facts.	351
309	the MQuAKE-CF and MQuAKE-T datasets. The	• Instance-wise accuracy: assessing the model’s	352
310	MQuAKE-CF dataset comprises 3,000 N-hop ques-	ability to recall all individual single-hop facts	353
311	tions ($N \in \{2, 3, 4\}$), each linked to one or more	within multi-hop instances.	354
312	edits. This dataset functions as a diagnostic tool	• Multi-hop accuracy: evaluating the model’s	355
313	for examining the effectiveness of knowledge edit-	accuracy in answering multi-hop questions.	356
314	ing methods in handling counterfactual edits. The	Given our paper’s primary focus on multi-hop ques-	357
315	MQuAKE-T dataset consists of 1,868 instances,	tion answering, we employ "multi-hop accuracy"	358
316	each associated with a real-world fact change. Its	as the main metric to assess the accuracy of both	359
317	purpose is to evaluate the efficacy of knowledge	the original and edited language models in handling	360
318	editing methods in updating obsolete information	multi-hop questions.	361
319	with contemporary, factual data.	4.2 Implementation Details and Key Findings	362
320	4.1.2 Language Models	Due to constrained computational resources, we	363
321	Similar to MeLLO, we broaden our investigation	opted to evaluate only the first multi-hop question	364
322	by integrating three robust language models into	in the MQuAKE dataset for our GMeLLO, rather	365
323	our framework. This expansion allows for a com-	than testing all three. To improve the understanding	366
324	prehensive comparison with baseline models, pro-	of this task by LLMs and ensure outputs conform	367
325	viding a more nuanced evaluation of our approach.	to a specified format, we default to employing a	368
326	Specifically, we leverage GPT-J (6B) (Wang and	3-shot learning approach. This involves presenting	369
327	Komatsuzaki, 2021), vicuna-7B (Chiang et al.,	the model with one 2-hop question sample, one	370
328	2023), and text-davinci-003 (Ouyang et al., 2022).	3-hop question sample, and one 4-hop question	371
	³ Due to constrained computational resources, our experi-	samples. To achieve comparable performance, we	372
	ments on MQuAKE-CF are carried out on a randomly sam-	supplied Vicuna-7B with an additional set of 4-	373
	pled subset of the complete dataset, comprising 3000 instances	hop question sample. The reason will be discussed	374
	(1000 instances for each of 2, 3, 4-hop questions), aligning		
	with the experiments outlined in Zhong et al. (2023).		

#Edited instances		MQuAKE-CF				MQuAKE-T			
		1	100	1000	3000	1	100	500	1868
Base Model	Method								
GPT-J	MEMIT	12.3	9.8	8.1	1.8	4.8	1.0	0.2	0.0
GPT-J	MEND	11.5	9.1	4.3	3.5	38.2	17.4	12.7	4.6
GPT-J	MeLLO	20.3	12.5	10.4	9.8	85.9	45.7	33.8	30.7
GPT-J	GMeLLO	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	74.3	74.3	74.3	74.3
Vicuna-7B	MeLLO	20.3	11.9	11.0	10.2	84.4	56.3	52.6	51.3
Vicuna-7B	GMeLLO	30.4	30.4	30.4	30.4	65.6	65.6	65.6	65.6
GPT-3	MeLLO	68.7	50.5	43.6	41.2	91.1	87.4	86.2	85.5
GPT-3	GMeLLO	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	85.7	85.7	85.7	85.7

Table 1: Performance results of GMeLLO (ours) on MQuAKE-CF and MQuAKE-T using GPT-J, Vicuna-7B, or GPT-3 (text-davinci-003) as the base language model. Following the approach of [Zhong et al. \(2023\)](#), we group instances in batches of size k, where k takes values from 1, 100, 1000, 3000 for MQuAKE-CF and 1, 100, 500, 1868 for MQuAKE-T. The metric is multi-hop accuracy.

	#Edits	2-hop	3-hop	4-hop	Total
MQuAKE-CF	1	513	356	224	1,093
	2	487	334	246	1,067
	3	-	310	262	572
	4	-	-	268	268
	All	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000
MQuAKE-T	1 (All)	1,421	445	2	1,868

Table 2: Data statistics of MQuAKE

in Section 4.5.1. Due to GPT-J and Vicuna-7B’s limitation in adhering to the desired output format, we establish a heuristic rule to extract essential information, outlined as follows:

- Narrow the attention to the output sentence containing the "->" indicator.
- Divide the sentence based on the "->" delimiter.
- Consider the initial segment as the predicted entity, and subsequently, process the following segments sequentially if they correspond to relations in the predefined relation list.

As illustrated in Table 1, our GMeLLO demonstrates significantly superior performance compared to state-of-the-art models on the MQuAKE-CF dataset, exhibiting an approximately 20% improvement when editing 3000 instances simultaneously. The sole source of error stems from the extraction of relation chains using LLMs. The

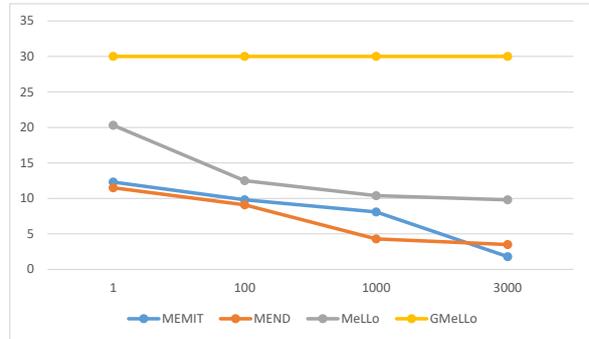


Figure 3: Multi-hop performance comparison of GPT-J before and after editing on MQuAKE-CF, utilizing different knowledge editing methods. The evaluation is conducted with varying numbers of edited instances (k) selected for editing, where k ranges from 1 to 3000.

recording of all fact edits in the KG eliminates the possibility of errors during fact retrieval. It is important to note that the relation chain remains consistent regardless of information updates. This confers a distinct advantage to our GMeLLO. As depicted in Figure 3, the integration of the latest information into our KG allows GMeLLO to sustain a consistent performance, even with an increasing number of edits. Nevertheless, in MeLLO, the expansion of external memory alongside a growing number of edited facts may result in slower and less accurate comparisons with the retriever ([Izacard et al., 2022](#)).

4.3 Breakdown Results on MQuAKE-CF

Tables 3 and 4 display the detailed results for MQuAKE-CF when employing GPT-J as the foun-

	2-hop	3-hop	4-hop	All
MEND	13.9	11.3	9.5	11.5
MEMIT	22.5	6.0	8.4	12.3
GMeLLO	54.8	27.0	8.2	30.0

Table 3: Multi-hop performance breakdown on MQuAKE-CF for 2,3,4-hop questions using GPT-J as the base model.

# Edits=	1	2	3	4	All
MEND	16	11	7.3	4.4	11.5
MEMIT	20.5	9.8	5.5	2.6	12.3
GMeLLO	34.5	34.4	24.8	5.2	30.0

Table 4: Breakdown of multi-hop performance on MQuAKE-CF for questions with 1, 2, 3, 4 edits, utilizing GPT-J as the base model in this experiment.

dational model. Our analysis reveals that

- In 2-hop and 3-hop question answering, our method, GMeLLO, demonstrates twice the performance of the next best baseline. Furthermore, in 4-hop question answering, our method achieves comparable performance with the other two baseline models.
- In question answering with various edits, our model, GMeLLO, significantly outperforms the other two baseline models.

4.4 Performance in Addressing Single-Hop Questions

Although GMeLLO is primarily tailored for multi-hop question answering, it is adept at handling single-hop questions as well. As evidenced in Table 5, GMeLLO attains performance levels comparable to those of other approaches, even under the rigorous evaluation criteria of an exact match. In future iterations, we plan to implement semantic matching instead of relying on exact matches to extract more correct responses from LLMs. This involves identifying semantic equivalences, such as recognizing that "founder" which conveys the same meaning as "founded by" as correct output.

4.5 Further Analysis

This subsection presents additional analyses conducted to identify errors in our experiments, showcase the advantages of employing GMeLLO, and explore potential applications.

Base Model	Method	Edit-wise	Instance-wise
GPT-J	MEND	72.8	59.6
	MEMIT	97.4	94.0
	GMeLLO	87.7	69.6
Vicuna-7B	MEND	65.2	47.6
	MEMIT	96.6	84.0
	GMeLLO	95.4	84.9

Table 5: Performance results for both edit-wise and instance-wise evaluations on MQuAKE-CF (with a maximum of 4 edits) are presented for baseline knowledge editing methods and our GMeLLO, utilizing two base models: GPT-J and Vicuna-7B. Each instance’s associated edits are considered independently.

4.5.1 Error Analysis

Through our comprehensive comparative analysis, it became evident that GMeLLO consistently outperforms existing models in this specific task, especially when editing multiple instances. Among the three base models, Vicuna-7B demonstrates inferior performance compared to the other two, despite being provided with an additional 4-hop question answering sample in the prompt.

Following an in-depth error analysis, we identified that Vicuna exhibits more unconventional behavior. Instead of selecting a relation from the predefined list, it tends to create its own defined relations. For instance, it prefers using "citizen" to convey meaning rather than simply outputting "country of citizenship." This highlights the importance of prioritizing the consideration of meaning over strict exact matches in the mapping process—an aspect we plan to address in our future work. Another concern arises from the fact that, while Vicuna consistently identifies relations accurately—examples include "head of state" and "country of citizenship"—it frequently makes errors in their sequencing.

Moreover, our analysis uncovered some inconsistencies in the MQuAKE dataset. For instance,

- Question_1: Who founded The Christian Science Monitor?
- Multi-hop Relation in MQuAKE-CF: The Christian Science Monitor->headquarters location->?x->founded by->?y
- Prediction of Multi-hop Relations by Vicuna-7B: The Christian Science Monitor->founded by->?x

- Question_2: Who is the head of state of the country where the child of Kyle Reese has citizenship?
- Multi-hop Relation in MQuAKE-T: Kyle Reese->Spouse->?x->child->?y->country of citizenship->?z->head of state->?m
- Prediction of Multi-hop Relations by Vicuna-7B: Kyle Reese->child->?x->country of citizenship->?y->head of state->?z

While LLMs may accidentally provide correct answers, discerning the "headquarters location" from the first question and the "spouse" relation from the second question based solely on the question sentences is challenging.

4.5.2 Detection of Factual Inconsistencies

Throughout our experiments, we observed that simultaneous editing of numerous instances could lead to factual inconsistencies. For instance, the capital relationship might exist in multiple questions. In a scenario from the counterfactual dataset, an edit changes the capital of one country to another city. However, to accurately answer the subsequent question, knowledge of the correct capital for that country is essential. The utilization of explicit external memory for storing all pertinent information, encompassing both updated and unchanged facts, clearly underscores these issues. Moreover, establishing rules, such as defining that a country should only have one capital, proves effective in preventing and addressing these types of inconsistencies.

4.5.3 Explainability

Illustrated by the yellow node path in Figure 2, our GMeLLO not only delivers answers but also offers traceability. This implies that we can retrieve the path leading to the obtained answer. Utilizing the clarity inherent in KG, GMeLLO is interpretable to a certain degree, providing a transparent understanding of the basis behind its responses.

4.5.4 Domain-specific Application

In the MQuAKE dataset, we establish direct connections among all triples to construct the KG. In cases where no triples are available, we can leverage the capabilities of LLMs to map diverse sentence representations into relation triples, as illustrated in Table 6. This process aligns with our endeavors in extracting relation chains.

Questions	Relation
Where did x graduate from?	
In which university did x study?	educated_at(x,y)
What is x's alma mater?	
What did x do for a living?	
What is x's job?	occupation(x, y)
What is the profession of x?	
Who is x's spouse?	
Who did x marry?	spouse(x, y)
Who is x married to?	

Table 6: Mapping natural language sentences to knowledge-base relations, illustrating the inverse process discussed by Levy et al. (2017) and Zhong et al. (2023), which can be implemented similarly to the relation chain extraction in our GMeLLO.

Although LLMs contain a wealth of information, they may not be privy to certain domain-specific confidential details. Moreover, the available domain-specific data might fall short for training an LLM from the ground up, adding to the substantial resources required. Nevertheless, domain-specific databases should be able to support knowledge graph construction. In such cases, our GMeLLO approach serves as a crucial bridge, allowing the harnessing of LLMs' formidable capabilities without the necessity of revealing sensitive information.

5 Conclusion

In this paper, we present a memory-based knowledge editing approach tailored for multi-hop question answering. This method leverages the capabilities of LLMs to analyze question sentences and generate a relation chain, rather than providing direct answers to the questions. The rationale behind this lies in the observation that linguistic patterns change more slowly than specific information. We construct the KG directly from the dataset and transform the relation chain, extracted by LLMs, into a formal query to retrieve information from the KG. This approach capitalizes on the strengths of both LLMs and KGs—leveraging the high coverage of LLMs and the precision of using KGs. By utilizing LLMs to comprehend most sentences and KBQA to provide accurate and explainable results, we achieve a synergy between the two methodologies.

550 Limitations

551 Nevertheless, it’s important to note that this inves-
552 tigation is still in its early stages. Although our
553 performance surpasses that of baseline approaches,
554 especially the multi-hop question answering when
555 editing multiple facts simultaneously, we recognize
556 the potential for further improvement. Looking
557 ahead, our future plans involve enhancing GMeLLO
558 in the following key areas:

- 559 • Experiment with more sophisticated prompts,
560 such as Chain of Thought (CoT) (Wei et al.,
561 2022), to elevate performance.
- 562 • Emphasize the identification of semantically
563 similar relations, aiming to mitigate potential
564 confusion between them and thereby enhance
565 overall performance.
- 566 • Contrast the output of LLMs with the golden
567 relations in terms of semantics, prioritiz-
568 ing meaningful matches over exact verbatim
569 matches, to yield more correct responses.
- 570 • Pioneering the integration of the strengths in-
571 herent in both LLMs and KGs, we aim to
572 extend their application to diverse research
573 endeavors.

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