# Hansel: A Chinese Few-Shot and Zero-Shot Entity Linking Benchmark 

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#### Abstract

Modern Entity Linking (EL) systems entrench a popularity bias. However, there is no dataset focusing on tail and emerging entities in languages other than English. We present Hansel, a new benchmark in Chinese that fills the vacancy of non-English few-shot and zero-shot EL challenges. Hansel is human annotated and reviewed, with a novel method for collecting zero-shot EL datasets. It is a diverse dataset covering 8.2 K documents in news, social media posts and other web articles, with Wikidata as its target Knowledge Base. We demonstrate that the existing state-of-the-art EL system performs poorly on Hansel ( R @ 1 of $35.8 \%$ on Few-Shot). We then establish a strong baseline that scores a R @ 1 of $43.2 \%$ on Few-Shot and $76.6 \%$ on Zero-Shot on our dataset. We also show that our baseline achieves competitive results on TAC-KBP2015 Chinese Entity Linking task.


## 1 Introduction

Entity Linking (EL) is the task of grounding a textual mention in context to a corresponding entity in a Knowledge Base (KB). It is a fundamental component in applications such as Question Answering (Févry et al., 2020a; Guu et al., 2020; De Cao et al., 2019), KB Completion (Shen et al., 2014; Zhang et al., 2014) and Dialogue (Curry et al., 2018).

Recent studies elaborated the importance of zeroshot EL and EL for tail entities, but non-English resources for these challenges are seldom available. Logeswaran et al. (2019) presented the Zero-Shot Entity Linking problem, i.e. linking mentions to entities unseen during training. They created a zero-shot EL benchmark extracted from the Wikia forum, but the dataset is English-only. On the other hand, Chen et al. (2021) raised a common popularity bias in EL systems, i.e. EL systems significantly underperform on rarer entities that share a name. They introduced AmbER sets focusing on
tail entity retrieval, also only available in English. Intuitively, we name the challenge to resolve tail entities as Few-Shot Entity Linking, as most of them have only a few number of training examples. Despite the aforementioned studies, a non-English dataset focusing on zero-shot or few-shot EL still does not exist, resulting in an English bias to these challenging problems.

Moreover, existing zero-shot and few-shot datasets have a limited diversity, rooted from their collection methods that rely on hyperlink structures or manual templates. Logeswaran et al. (2019) extracted mentions from Wikia forum posts hyperlinked to the Wikia KB, and Botha et al. (2020) used links from Wikinews to Wikipedia, where only 3 K out of $289 \mathrm{~K}(1 \%)$ mentions fall into its zero-shot slice. Chen et al. (2021) generated AmbER sets by filling pre-defined templates with KB attributes. These dataset collection approaches are limited, as mentions are biased towards hyperlink editing conventions or syntactic templates.

To address the English bias and lack of syntactic diversity of few-shot and zero-shot EL datasets, in this paper, we present a human-calibrated and challenging EL dataset in simplified Chinese (zh-hans) and name it Hansel, consisting of a few-shot and a zero-shot slice. The few-shot slice is collected from a multi-stage matching and annotation process. A core property of this dataset is that all mentions are "hard" (Tsai and Roth, 2016), where the linked entity is not the most popular of all entities that share a name in the training corpus. The zero-shot slice is collected from a novel searching-based process, where annotators are presented with a new entity's description, and find mentions with Web search engines. Annotators are also encouraged to search for an adversarial mention with the same text span but a different entity. We demonstrate that both slices are challenging for state-of-the-art EL models.

The main contributions of this work are:

- Publish Hansel, a challenging multi-domain


Figure 1: Annotation process for the Few-Shot dataset, with an actual (translated) example in Hansel-FS. We first match aliases against the corpora to generate potential mentions, then annotate if AT@ 1 is the correct candidate for each mention. We only keep cases where AT@ 1 is incorrect, and annotate the correct entity against the KB.


Figure 2: Annotation process for the Zero-Shot dataset, with a translated example in Hansel-ZS. Given a new entity, we search on the Web for a corresponding mention, and a few mentions that share the same mention text but refer to different entities.
evaluation dataset for EL in Chinese with Wikidata as its KB, featuring a zero-shot slice with emerging entities, and a few-shot slice with hard mentions.

- Propose a novel and feasible zero-shot entity linking dataset collection paradigm, applicable for any language.
- Develop a model supervised with Chinese Wikipedia that achieves competitive results on TAC-KBP2015 Chinese EL task, which is also the best-performing monolingual model on this task to our knowledge.


## 2 Hansel Dataset

We publish an EL dataset for simplified Chinese (zh-hans), named Hansel. The dataset contains mentions in context drawn from diverse documents, with the ground truth entity ID annotated. It is organized into Few-Shot (FS) and Zero-Shot (ZS) slices, focusing respectively on tail entity linking and zero-shot generalization to emerging entities.

### 2.1 Knowledge Base

To capture the common scenario of temporally evolving knowledge bases, we split Wikidata enti-
ties into Known and New sets using two historical dumps, with the following steps:

Entity filtering. Following and extending the filtering logic by Botha et al. (2020), we remove all instances of Wikimedia disambiguation pages, templates, categories, modules, list pages and project pages, Wikidata properties, as well as their subclasses. The detailed filtering logic can be found in Appendix D.

Known Entities ( $E_{\text {known }}$ ) refer to Wikidata entities in 2018-08-13 dump ${ }^{1}$ after entity filtering. For the scope of this paper, we further constrain it to entities with a Chinese Wikipedia page. We use the Wikipedia dump as of 2021-03-01. After filtering, the set contains roughly 1 M entities.

New Entities ( $E_{\text {new }}$ ) refer to Wikidata entities in 2021-03-15 dump that do not exist in $E_{\text {known }}$, with the same entity and language filtering. 57 K entities fall into this set. Intuitively, entities added to Wikidata between 2018 and 2021 are emerging entities for the scope of our zero-shot slice.

Alias table. We extract the alias table from Wikipedia 2021-03-15 for both $E_{\text {known }}$ and $E_{\text {new }}$, using internal links from Wikipedia, as well as

[^0]|  | \# Mentions |  |  | \# Documents |  |  | \# Entities |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | In-KB | NIL | Total | In-KB | NIL | Total | $E_{\text {known }}$ | $E_{\text {new }}$ | Total |
| Hansel-FS | 2,138 | 1,324 | 3,462 | 2,134 | 1,323 | 3,457 | 1,899 | - | 1,899 |
| Hansel-ZS | 4,208 | 507 | 4,715 | 4,200 | 507 | 4,704 | 1,054 | 2,992 | 4,046 |

Table 1: Statistics of the Hansel dataset. We break down the number of mentions and documents by whether the label is a NIL entity or inside Wikidata (In-KB), and the number of distinct entities by whether the entity is in an emerging entity in $E_{\text {new }}$.
redirections and page titles, following conventions (De Cao et al., 2021b). The alias table defines the prior of a mention $m$ linking to an entity $e, P(e \mid m)$. We denote this alias table as AT-base.

Wikidata Type system. Since unlinkable mentions (NIL) may occur and we would give a type label to every NIL during annotation, we define a type system based on Wikidata structures to facilitate collection. Define original Wikidata entities as $E$, properties as $P$, relations as $R\left(e_{1}, p, e_{2}\right)$. We define a transitive typing feature denoted as Type:

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R\left(e_{1}, P 31, e_{2}\right) \Rightarrow \operatorname{Type}\left(e_{1}, e_{2}\right),
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Type $\left(e_{1}, e_{2}\right) \wedge R\left(e_{2}, P 279, e_{3}\right) \Rightarrow \operatorname{Type}\left(e_{1}, e_{3}\right)$, where P31 stands for instance of and P279 for subclass of relations in Wikidata. We then define coarse types with this feature:

Coarse Types are defined in Table 2. Note that our LOC type effectively combines GPE, LOC and FAC types as defined in ACE (Doddington et al., 2004) and TAC-KBP2016 (Ji et al., 2016) in order to better fit Wikidata typing guideline ${ }^{2}$. We use the same PER definition as TAC-KBP2016, and add an EVENT type.

Fine Types. We design an entity feature TopSnaks as our fine typing system. TopSnaks are defined as the aggregated top 10,000 property-relation values based on entity frequency ${ }^{3}$. An example TopSnak is P31-Q5, which means "instance of human". We verify that the TopSnaks generated on the 2018 Wikidata dump covers about $90 \%$ of $E_{\text {new }}$ (new entities in 2021), indicating good generalizability over time. Examples of TopSnaks can be found in Appendix C.

### 2.2 Training Data

Following previous work (Botha et al., 2020; De Cao et al., 2021a), we use Wikipedia internal

[^1]| Coarse Type | Definition |
| ---: | :--- |
| $P E R(e)$ | Type $(e, Q 215627)$ |
| $L O C(e)$ | Type $(e, Q 618123)$ |
| $O R G(e)$ | Type $(e, Q 43229)$ |
| $E V E N T(e)$ | Type $e, Q 1656682)$ |
| $O T H E R(e)$ | All other entities |

Table 2: Coarse types defined with transitive Type.
links to construct a training set. Using the Wikidata ecosystem allows utility of rich hyperlink structure inside Wikipedia corpus.

All new entities $E_{\text {new }}$ are kept unseen during training. Ideally, one would acquire the 2018 Wikipedia dump as training corpus. As the full 2018 Wikipedia dump is not publicly available, we use 2021-03-01 Wikipedia dump and hold out all entity pages mapped to $E_{\text {new }}$ as well as all mentions with pagelinks to $E_{\text {new }}$ entities. Our zeroshot evaluation slice is based on $E_{\text {new. }}{ }^{4}$

To focus on simplified Chinese, we converted all traditional Chinese characters to simplified, in all training and evaluation datasets as well as the alias table. We hold out 1 K full documents ( 7.5 K mentions) as the validation set.

### 2.3 Few-Shot Evaluation Slice

For the FS slice, we collect human annotations for entity linking in three text corpora: (1) LCSTS (Hu et al., 2015), covering Weibo microblogging short text ${ }^{5}$; (2) SohuNews (long news articles from Sohu domain), and TenSiteNews (from other mainstream news domains in Chinese), namely SogouCA/SogouCS data from Wang et al. (2008) ${ }^{6}$.

The FS slice is collected based on a matchingbased process as illustrated in Figure 1. First, we use the alias table to perform alias matching on

[^2]each corpus to get a large candidate set, and sample diverse and hard mentions in the matched set for human annotation. Matching and sampling details are in Appendix A.

Human annotation. Annotation was performed on more than 10 K examples with 15 annotators. For each example, annotators answer a series of questions: First, they modify the incorrect mention boundary, or remove the example if it is not an entity mention. Then, they select among alias table candidates for the referred entity. For each candidate, annotators have access to its entity description (first paragraph in Wikipedia) and the original Wikipedia link. If the candidate with the highest prior (AT@1) is correct, then the example is discarded. $75 \%$ of examples are dropped in this step. If none of the candidates are correct, the annotator is then asked to find the correct Wikipedia page (mapped to a Wikidata QID) for the entity through search engines. If no Wikipedia page can be found, they fill the coarse entity type defined in Table 2 and label a typed NIL entity. Examples of the FS slice can be found in Figure 2 and Appendix E.

Expert checking. After the first pass of annotation, there is an expert-checking phase, where 5 human experts manually examine all annotated examples and update answers. The "human experts" are the well-trained annotators with basic knowledge of entity linking and fewest mistakes in the trial annotation. The final updated results are used as the ground truth (GT) of this dataset.

Dataset properties. As reported in Table 1, the FS slice has 3,462 mentions from 3,457 documents, covering 1,899 diverse entities. Domains are in news ( $51.5 \%$ ) and social media ( $48.5 \%$ ). The interannotator agreement (IAA) of Hansel-FS is $87.3 \%$, i.e. modification rate is $12.7 \%$ during expert checking. We count either imperfect mention boundary or wrong entity as incorrect when examining. $40.1 \%$ of the errors are mention boundary errors. All discovered human errors have been fixed during the expert-checking phase.

### 2.4 Zero-shot Evaluation Slice

Collecting a zero-shot slice is challenging, as it is generally hard to find an occurrence of a new entity on a fixed text corpus, especially when the corpus is out-of-domain and hyperlink structures cannot be exploited. To address this challenge, We design a novel data collection scheme by searching entity mentions across the Web given an entity
description. The process is detailed below.
Type balancing. We first down-sample $E_{\text {new }}$ to get a diverse set of entities with various coarse types, as the original distribution of $E_{\text {new }}$ is heavily biased towards PER and OTHER. We draw samples from $E_{\text {new }}$ by $50 \%$ random sampling and $50 \%$ type-diversified sampling.

Human annotation. Annotation was performed on more than 5 K entities with 15 annotators. For each entity, annotators are given its title, description and Wikidata aliases. They are asked to search the Internet ${ }^{7}$ for a corresponding mention of the entity and collect the mention context. They further seek 1 or 2 adversarial examples by searching for a same or similar mention referring to a different entity. Examples of collected new and adversarial examples can be found in Figure 2 and Appendix E. Such confusing examples introduce more label diversity and reduce hidden bias on this dataset.

Expert checking. After the first pass, we perform expert-checking, where 5 human experts manually examine all annotated examples and update answers. The final updated results are used as the ground truth (GT) of this dataset.

Dataset Properties. As reported in Table 1, the ZS slice has 4,715 mentions across 4,707 documents, covering 4,046 distinct entities. Domains of the examples are in news ( $38.6 \%$ ), social media ( $14.9 \%$ ), and other articles such as E-books, papers and commerce ( $46.4 \%$ ). The IAA of HanselZS is $95.9 \%$, i.e. the modification rate during expert checking is $4.1 \%$. $53 \%$ of modifications are mention boundary changes, and the rest are entity changes. All discovered human errors have been fixed during the expert-checking phase.

## 3 Models

We establish a few baseline models on this dataset, including a Dual Encoder (DE) model and a CrossAttention encoder model (CA) for entity disambiguation. We also experiment with a novel model architecture utilizing our Wikidata-based type system to enhance DE performance.

### 3.1 Dual Encoder Model

Following previous work (Wu et al., 2020; Botha et al., 2020), we train a Dual Encoder (DE) model to capture entity and contextual mention representations in a dense vector space. Such models are

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Figure 3: Typing-enhanced Dual Encoder (TyDE) diagram. Both mention and entity encoders are 12-layer transformer encoders initialized from BERT-base, projecting mention in context (annotated with [E1] and [/E1] markers) and entity description to 256 -d embeddings. Cosine similarity between mention and entity embeddings is jointly optimized with typing losses.
scalable in that the entity embeddings can be precomputed and stored, enabling fast retrieval or dotproduct based similarity scoring.

The dual encoder maps a mention-entity pair $(m, e)$ to a similarity score:

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\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{sim}(m, e)=\frac{\phi(m)^{T} \psi(e)}{\|\phi(m)\|\|\psi(e)\|} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where both $\phi$ and $\psi$ are learned transformer encoders projecting mention and entity input sequences into $d$-dimensional vectors ( $d=256$ ). For both encoders, we use BERT-base and map the [ $C L S]$ token with a dense layer to the output embedding. Following Botha et al. (2020), we use mention boundary tokens to wrap mentions in context. We use a sequence length of 128 tokens in both encoders. We choose the first paragraph in Chinese Wikipedia as an entity's description for input of $\psi$. The DE model is optimized with in-batch sampled softmax loss.

We use the DE model as a scoring step on candidates generated by the alias table AT-base, combining the model's prediction $\operatorname{sim}(m, e)$ with the prior $P(e \mid m)$ to produce a score $s(m, e)$ :

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\begin{equation*}
s(m, e)=P(e \mid m) \operatorname{sim}(m, e) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

### 3.2 Cross-Attention Encoder Model

Following Botha et al. (2020), we train a BERTbased Cross-Attention model (CA) to re-rank candidates generated by the alias table, optimized with a binary cross-entropy classification loss.

As some evaluation datasets contain NIL entities, i.e. entities not in the target KB , we apply a new distant supervision strategy to generate NIL examples
for CA model training: for each unlinked phrase in Wikipedia that exactly match aliases of $E_{\text {known }}$ entities, we generate a NIL example. Intuitively, Wikipedia encourages near-complete pagelinks, so phrases without anchor links are likely not referrent to known entities. We further downsample NIL examples by mention frequency, keeping at most 10 K NIL examples per mention text.

Since the training set only comes with positive examples, we use the alias table to mine hard negatives, and randomly keep $20 \%$ of negative examples to reduce label imbalance.

### 3.3 Typing-enhanced Dual Encoder Model

Previous work (Ling et al., 2015; Raiman and Raiman, 2018) suggested that type coherence across mentions can be useful for entity linking. However, models like DE or CA only implicitly learn type coherence with pretrained contextualized representations.

We propose a model architecture, typingenhanced dual encoders (TyDE), using Wikidata type system as an auxiliary supervision task to improve the dual encoder model. On top of mention and entity encodings output by $\phi$ and $\psi$, we add classification layers for coarse and fine typing classification. On each side, we use a softmax classifier for coarse types and binary classifiers for each of the 10 K fine types. We train the TyDE model with positives only, using type classification losses in addition to the batch softmax loss. The architecture is illustrated in Figure 3.

During inference, we use the score definition in DE model, i.e. $P(e \mid m) \operatorname{sim}(m, e)$, and combine it with coarse and fine typing scores. Coarse typing
score is defined as:

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\begin{equation*}
s_{c}(m, e)=\sigma_{c}(m)^{T} \rho_{c}(e) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and fine typing score is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
s_{f}(m, e)=\sigma_{f}(m)^{T} \rho_{f}(e) \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\sigma_{c}, \rho_{c}, \sigma_{f}$ and $\rho_{f}$ are single linear dense layers, projecting $\phi$ and $\psi$ outputs to corresponding type dimensions. $\sigma_{c}$ and $\rho_{c}$ project to 5 coarse types, and $\sigma_{f}$ and $\rho_{f}$ project to 10,000 fine types.

We experiment TyDE for scoring with different settings: (1) use the same score definition as DE, i.e. $P(e \mid m) \operatorname{sim}(m, e)$, so typing information is only used implicitly via co-training; (2) multiply coarse, fine, or both typing scores with the DE score. Note that the combination requires trivial additional computation for scoring, as the typing parameters are a single dense layer on top of output embeddings. We experiment different typing score combinations in Table 4. The best-performing experiment combines only fine typing score:

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\begin{equation*}
s(m, e)=P(e \mid m) \operatorname{sim}(m, e) s_{f}(m, e) \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
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All encoders in DE, TyDE and CA are initialized from the public Chinese BERT-base checkpoint. Details on model implementation and hyperparameters can be found in Appendix B.

## 4 Experiments

### 4.1 Evaluation on TAC-KBP2015

To compare our models with prior work, we benchmark on the established TAC-KBP2015 Chinese EL task. Note that TAC-KBP2015 was originally designed for cross-lingual EL, but still suitable as a monolingual benchmark. Following De Cao et al. (2021b), we only evaluate in-KB links and do not consider NIL entities. We use full Chinese Wikipedia ( $E_{\text {known }}$ and $E_{\text {new }}$ ) as our target KB. ${ }^{8}$ The evaluation metric is Recall@K, where R@1 is equivalent to accuracy (Botha et al., 2020).

Comparison with prior work. To be comparable with prior work, we use the published alias table from mGENRE (De Cao et al., 2021b) and the TAC-KBP2015 training set to extend AT-base. We denote the extended table as $A T$-ext. We train all models with $E_{\text {known }}$ examples only, as described in Section 2.2, where only AT-base was used for

[^4]|  | Metric | Value |
| :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Tsai and Roth (2016) | R@1 | 85.1 |
| Sil et al. (2018) | R@1 | 85.9 |
| Upadhyay et al. (2018) | R@1 | 86.0 |
| Zhou et al. (2019) | R@1 | 85.9 |
| De Cao et al. (2021b) | R@1 | $\mathbf{8 8 . 4}$ |
| DE | R@1 | 75.2 |
| TyDE | R@1 | 76.2 |
| CA | R@1 | 81.0 |
| CA-tuned | R@1 | $\underline{86.9}$ |
| AT-base | R@1 | 70.0 |
| AT-base | R@10 | 85.7 |
| AT-base | R@100 | 85.9 |
| AT-ext | R@1 | 75.1 |
| AT-ext | R@10 | 90.8 |
| AT-ext | R@100 | 91.3 |

Table 3: Recall evaluations on the TAC-KBP2015 Chinese EL task. Our monolingual CA-tuned model compares with cross-lingual SOTA. We also report recall with our base and extended alias tables.

| Strategy | R@ 1 |
| :--- | ---: |
| DE | 75.2 |
| TyDE (sim only) | 75.9 |
| TyDE (sim+coarse) | 74.9 |
| TyDE (sim+fine) | $\mathbf{7 6 . 2}$ |
| TyDE (sim+coarse+fine) | 75.1 |

Table 4: Evaluations of TyDE inference strategy on TAC-KBP2015. We compare combining similarity with coarse, fine or both typing scores.
generating negatives for CA . We further fine-tune the CA model on TAC-KBP2015's training set for one epoch, using AT-ext to generate negatives. The finetuned model is denoted as CA-tuned.

We evaluate DE, TyDE, CA and CA-tuned, based on AT-ext's top-10 candidates. Table 3 shows evaluation results. Despite using a monolingual EL approach, our best model is comparable with state-of-the-art models using multilingual data for training. In particular, CA-tuned outperforms all previous models with an XEL setting (Sil et al., 2018; Upadhyay et al., 2018). Notably, our baseline CA model without using task-specific data achieves $81.0 \%$ for R@1, and the domain-adaptive tuning on TAC-KBP2015 increases R@1 by $5.9 \%$.

| Metric | In-KB |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | With-NIL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | AT |  |  | TyDE | CA | GEN. | +margin | +cand | +both | AT | CA+TyDE |
|  | R@1 | R@10 | R@100 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 | R@1 |
| Hansel-FS | 0.0 | 58.5 | 60.1 | 10.8 | 43.2 | 35.8 | 34.5 | 33.6 | 34.0 | 0.0 | 42.1 |
| Hansel-ZS | 70.6 | 78.5 | 78.8 | 71.6 | 76.6 | 67.9* | 66.8* | 68.4* | 68.4* | 63.0 | 70.7 |

Table 5: Evaluation of our baselines and mGENRE models (denoted as GEN.) on the Hansel dataset. Both datasets are challenging for the state-of-the-art MEL model, while our CA model generalizes better to few-shot and zero-shot settings. mGENRE numbers on Hansel-ZS*: does not follow zero-shot training constraints, but still lower than CA results.

Error Analysis. We do a brief error analysis on CA-tuned results on TAC-KBP2015. Among all R @ 1 errors, 212 ( $19 \%$ ) do not have a Chinese Wikipedia page. Note that we constrain our model to a monolingual setting thus missing these examples, whereas Cross-Lingual and Multilingual models (Upadhyay et al., 2018; De Cao et al., 2021b) are inherently better at solving such examples. 544 ( $48 \%$ ) errors do not have the mention-entity pair as a top-10 alias table entry, indicating headroom of retrieval or generation models without reliance on alias tables. 344 ( $30 \%$ ) cases are where our CA-tuned model did not choose the correct candidate. In 39 ( $3.4 \%$ ) cases the freebase MIDs are not resolved to Wikidata.

TyDE Inference Strategy. We further report an experiment with different inference strategies with TyDE model. As described in Section 3.3, we experiment using cosine similarity $P(e \mid m) \operatorname{sim}(m, e)$ with further combining coarse, fine, or both typing coherence scores. As shown in Table 4, when compared on the TAC-KBP2015 eval set, combining similarity with fine-typing score gives a 1.0 improvement on R@1, while other combinations are mostly negative. This may indicate that TopSnaksbased typing helps with this setting, while the coarse types are less suitable.

### 4.2 Evaluation on Hansel

We evaluate our models on Hansel-FS and HanselZS, setting up a baseline for future work. When evaluating against Hansel, we do not use datasetspecific tuning. We use AT-base as the alias table and evaluate DE and CA based on AT-base's top-10 candidates. Evaluation results of different systems on Hansel are shown in Table 5.

Comparison with mGENRE. To compare with prior work, we evaluate the state-of-the-art model mGENRE (with implementation details in Appendix G). Table 5 shows the results. According to our experiment, the base version of mGENRE outperforms ones with candidates and marginalization.

This may be due to the low recall of AT on the FS slice, while the base model can recover some AT misses. Our CA model outperforms mGENRE by a large margin (+7.4) on this dataset.

We also evaluate mGENRE on the zero-shot slice. Note that mGENRE was trained on a Wikidata dump that overlaps with $E_{n e w}$, partially violating the zero-shot constraint, but the best variant still under-performs CA (-8.2). CA gets a R @ 1 of $76.6 \%$ on this slice. The ZS slice is easier than FS, as all examples in FS are unsolvable by AT @ 1 but there is no such constraint in our zero-shot data collection process. Particularly, the adversarial mentions in ZS can link to head entities.

In short, our CA model is currently the bestperforming for both zero-shot (76.6\%) and fewshot ( $43.2 \%$ ) slices, outperforming mGENRE by a large margin on both scenarios. This suggests that CA is less prone to popularity bias and generalizes better to tail and emerging entities. Large room of improvement remains on both datasets.

Error analysis. We perform an analysis on CA errors on Hansel-FS. 75\% errors do not have the mention-entity pair as a top-10 alias table entry, suggesting major headroom of overcoming the restriction of alias tables. Among a sample of 40 other errors, for $30 \%$ cases CA predicts a general entity where the ground truth (GT) is a more specific instance. $28 \%$ errors are confusion with locations. $15 \%$ are confusion with temporal attributes. $10 \%$ are where CA predicts an irrelevant specific entity where GT is more general. Detailed error examples for each bucket is given in Appendix F.

NIL typing. We also set a baseline for entity linking with NIL classification for Hansel. In this baseline, we use CA model to rank AT-base's top10 candidates and use TyDE model's coarse classification head to compute NIL type. A NIL output is predicted if there is no candidate with output probability above a threshold of 0.1 . We classify CA’s NIL output with TyDE coarse typing result, and report the results in Table 5 as the baseline.

## 5 Related Work

For years, the primary focus of Entity Linking studies has been constrained to English-only and fixedKB settings (Ling et al., 2015; Févry et al., 2020b; Ling et al., 2020; De Cao et al., 2021a). CrossLingual Entity Linking (XEL) was introduced to link non-English mentions to an English KB. (McNamee et al., 2011; Ji et al., 2015) Recently, Botha et al. (2020) introduced Multilingual EL, a more general formulation to link mentions from any language to a language-agnostic KB. Their published benchmark Mewsli-9 is multilingual, though many languages including Chinese are not yet covered.

Zero-Shot Entity Linking was proposed by Logeswaran et al. (2019), i.e. linking mentions to entities that are unobserved during training, and published an English zero-shot EL dataset. Mewsli9 has a zero-shot slice of 3,198 multilingual mentions, though only hyperlinked texts in Wikinews are included. Zero-shot EL on temporally evolving KBs has been less discussed. To this end, Hoffart et al. (2014) proposed EL on emerging entities, but the dataset is also English-only. In this work, we present Hansel-ZS, the first non-English zero-shot EL dataset focusing on emerging entities.

Few-Shot Entity Linking was frequently studied recently. Provatorova et al. (2021) suggested the performance of EL systems on current datasets is overestimated since it is possible to obtain higher accuracy scores by merely learning the prior. Chen et al. (2021) discovered that current EL systems significantly under-perform on tail entities that share a name. They introduced AmbER sets to focus on tail entity retrieval. However, this dataset is English-only and automatically generated by filling pre-defined templates with KB attributes. Tsai and Roth (2016) has a few-shot (hard) cross-lingual subset, yet the corpus domain is limited to Wikipedia. Our Hansel-FS is the first non-English, humancalibrated few-shot EL dataset.

In Chinese language, existing EL datasets are very limited. An established dataset is TACKBP2015 Tri-Lingual Entity Linking Track (Ji et al., 2015), adapting the Cross-Lingual EL setting where the mention is in Chinese and the KB is in English. Datasets in the same series as above are TAC-KBP2016 (Ji et al., 2016) and TAC-KBP2017 (Ji et al., 2017). DuEL (Han et al., 2020) is an EL dataset with a native Chinese KB, but the KB only includes an incomplete subset of Baidu's knowledge base ( 390 K entities), making it difficult to
serve as a comprehensive EL benchmark. A recent dataset CLEEK (Zeng et al., 2020) contains 2,786 mentions, annotated to the union of Chinese Wikipedia and CN-DBPedia (Xu et al., 2017), but it does not focus on zero-shot or few-shot EL. More comparision of existing Chinese EL benchmarks can be found in Appendix H, where we elaborate on the necessity and features of Hansel. Our proposed benchmark enriches Chinese EL resources and alleviates their popularity bias, providing basis for future Chinese or multilingual few-shot and zero-shot EL studies.

## 6 Conclusion

To address the popularity and language bias with Entity Linking datasets, we present a new benchmark consisting two parts: the few-shot (FS) slice where the correct entities are not the most popular, and the zero-shot (ZS) slice where the entities are not observed in training. We name our dataset Hansel as both slices are in simplified Chinese (zhhans), and make eval sets as well as the processed training set publicly available. Along with the dataset, we propose a method to collect humancalibrated few-shot and zero-shot EL datasets.

To compare with prior work, we build baseline models including a dual-encoder (DE) model, a novel typing-enhanced dual-encoder model (TyDE), and a cross-attention scoring model (CA). All models are supervised by hyperlinks in Chinese Wikipedia, and we make sure that new entities in the zero-shot slice are not visible during training.

On the TAC-KBP2015 Chinese Entity Linking track, our CA model (fine-tuned on task-specific training set) gets $\mathrm{R} @ 1$ of $86.9 \%$, outperforming previous works with Cross-Lingual EL (XEL) settings, and achieving competitive results with mGENRE, the state-of-the-art Multilingual EL (MEL) model. Our CA model is the state-of-the-art monolingual model on the established benchmark. Our TyDE model improves over a standard DE with minimal added complexity.

On Hansel, mGENRE only achieves a R @ 1 of $35.8 \%$ on Hansel-FS, much lower than its performance on TAC-KBP2015, suggesting difficulty of our dataset. Our CA model has so far the best R@1 of $43.2 \%$ on Hansel-FS, and R@ 1 of $76.6 \%$ on Hansel-ZS, outperforming mGENRE on both slices by a large margin. Future work on Chinese or multilingual EL may use our benchmark to test generalization over tail and emerging entities.

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## A Few-Shot Slice Collection Details

We detail the process using the alias table AT-base to generate a diverse known slice.

Alias matching. We apply the alias table to perform exact matching on each unlabeled corpus among LCSTS, SohuNews and TenSiteNews.
During alias matching, we favor long mentions over short ones if multiple mentions overlap. We apply a few Chinese-specific design decisions: (1) heuristically filter out single-character mentions to reduce noise; (2) do not use any tokenization mechanism, since space-tokenization is not available in Chinese, and any tokenizer may introduce system bias. (3) also compute $P($ unlinked $\mid m)$, i.e. the prior of a given phrase that do not have a hyperlink in Wikipedia. We removed the mentions that are over-commonly missing hyperlinks in Wikipedia, defined by $P($ unlinked $\mid m)>0.98$. We found that this empirically gives a much cleaner candidate set thus saving annotation efforts.

Mention sampling. The alias matching produces a large candidate set over each corpus, which is unfeasible to label thoroughly. To sample a diverse and representative subset, we take diverse mentions and documents into the sample. We sample each corpus by two equal criteria to get sets of mention phrases, then randomly select one example per phrase. The criteria are namely (1) uniformly sample, and (2) sample only ambiguous mentions with at least two candidates in the alias table.

As shown in Table 1, Hansel-FS features a diverse set of 1.9 K entities from 3.5 K different documents.

## B Experiment Details

We implement DE, TyDE and CA models using Tensorflow (Abadi et al., 2016). The DE, TyDE and CA encoders all use 12 transformer encoder layers, initialized with BERT-base parameters. The number of parameters for DE, TyDE and CA are roughly $204 \mathrm{M}, 210 \mathrm{M}$ and 102 M . We use Adam optimizer (Kingma and Ba, 2015) with linear weight decay and use $10 \%$ steps for a linear warmup schedule, following Botha et al. (2020).

The models are trained on a single NVIDIA V100 GPU. All general models are trained for 100K steps. Training of DE and TyDE model takes approximately 30 hours. Training CA on Wikipedia takes 16 hours, and finetuning CA on TAC-KBP2015 takes 4 hours.

We fix sequence length to be 128 tokens for both mention and entity encoder for DE and TyDE, and 256 tokens for CA. We select the approximate maximum batch size that fits into the GPU memory, resulting in a batch size of 64 for DE and TyDE, and 32 for CA . We search learning rate among [1e$5,2 \mathrm{e}-5,1 \mathrm{e}-4]$ for DE and TyDE. Following Botha et al. (2020), we fix $1 \mathrm{e}-5$ as the learning rate for CA. We search learning rate among [1e-6, 5e-6] for CA-tuned. We search mention and entity embedding dimension $d$ within $[128,256]$ for DE and TyDE. We perform one hyper-parameter search, using batch accuracy in validation set for DE and TyDE and classification accuracy for CA to make hyper-parameter choices. Best-performing hyperparameters are: learning rate is $2 \mathrm{e}-5$ for DE and TyDE, and $5 \mathrm{e}-6$ for CA-tuned. Embedding dimension $d$ is 256 . We choose 0.1 as the NIL threshold probability for CA+TyDE model, for With-NIL evaluations.

## C TopSnaks Examples

Table 6 shows 40 examples of Wikidata TopSnaks from the 2018 dump. From the table we see that TopSnaks include diverse entity attributes such as types, gender, occupation, country and sport. Intuitively, our TyDE models encourage the learned mention and entity embeddings to capture rich information supervised by these TopSnaks.

## D Wikidata Filtering

Following a similar constraint with Botha et al. (2020), when processing Wikidata dumps, we filtered out entities that are a subclass (P279) or instance of (P31) Wikimedia-internal administrative entities. We extended the list of such entities by Botha et al. (2020), detailed in Table 7.

## E More Examples of Hansel

In Table 8, we provide examples of Hansel-FS Slice along with CA model predictions, to demonstrate properties of the dataset and model. From the analysis, we see that the CA model can capture information in types and relations (e.g. "Line 13" and "Qu Bo" examples), while also making some mistakes with entities with similar types or meaning (see the tennis example). It also demonstrates that Hansel-FS is a challenging benchmark.
In Table 9, we provide examples of Hansel-ZS to demonstrate its properties. As shown in the

| TopSnak | Snak name |
| :--- | :--- |
| P31-Q13442814 | instance of: scholarly article |
| P31-Q5 | instance of: human |
| P21-Q6581097 | sex or gender: male |
| P31-Q16521 | instance of: taxon |
| P105-Q7432 | taxon rank: species |
| P17-Q148 | country: People's Republic of China |
| P421-Q6985 | located in time zone: UTC+08:00 |
| P17-Q30 | country: United States of America |
| P31-Q7187 | instance of: gene |
| P21-Q6581072 | sex or gender: female |
| P17-Q145 | country: United Kingdom |
| P407-Q1860 | language of work or name: English |
| P31-Q13100073 | instance of: village-level division |
|  | in China |
| P279-Q20747295 | subclass of: protein: coding gene |
| P31-Q8054 | instance of: protein |
| P17-Q183 | country: Germany |
| P31-Q8502 | instance of: mountain |
| P279-Q8054 | subclass of: protein |
| P31-Q486972 | instance of: human settlement |
| P106-Q82955 | occupation: politician |
| P279-Q7187 | subclass of: gene |
| P17-Q142 | country: France |
| P31-Q4022 | instance of: river |
| P641-Q2736 | sport: association football |
| P17-Q159 | country: Russia |
| P27-Q30 | country or citizenship: USA |
| P1435-Q15700834 | heritage designation: Grade II listed |
| P17-Q55 | building |
| country: Netherlands |  |
| P31-Q79007 | instance of: street |
| P17-Q20 | country: Norway |
| P31-Q3305213 | instance of: painting |
| P31-Q54050 | instance of: hill |
| P17-Q16 | country: Canada |
| P421-Q6723 | located in time zone: UTC+02:00 |
| P31-Q532 | instance of: village |
| P17-Q34 | instance of: encyclopedic article |
| P31-Q17329259 | P407-Q7737 |
| P17-Q96 | langen |

Table 6: Example TopSnaks.

| Types | QIDs |
| :---: | :---: |
| Disambiguation page | Q4167410 |
| Templates | Q11266439 |
|  | Q105528595 |
|  | Q11753321 |
|  | Q15671253 |
|  | Q19887878 |
|  | Q20769160 |
|  | Q24731821 |
|  | Q26142649 |
|  | Q26267864 |
|  | Q36330215 |
|  | Q4657797 |
|  | Q48552277 |
|  | Q56876519 |
|  | Q74980542 |
|  | Q95691391 |
|  | Q97303168 |
| Categories | Q4167836 |
|  | Q105653689 |
|  | Q13406463 |
|  | Q1474116 |
|  | Q15407973 |
|  | Q15647814 |
|  | Q20769287 |
|  | Q24574745 |
|  | Q30432511 |
|  | Q54662266 |
|  | Q59542487 |
|  | Q56428020 |
| Modules | Q15184295 |
|  | Q15145755 |
|  | Q18711811 |
|  | Q59259626 |
| Wikimedia project page | Q14204246 |
| Subclasses of above | Q97011660 |
|  | Q11266439 |
|  | Q25051296 |
|  | Q21528878 |
|  | Q4663903 |
|  | Q13406463 |
|  | Q22247630 |
|  | Q30415057 |
|  | Q60715851 |
|  | Q15184295 |

Table 7: WikiData identifiers used for filtering out Wikimedia-internal entities.

| Context | ．．．2013赛季意大利BNL国际赛继续进行，3号种子阿扎伦卡在6－1／2－0领先时收到了森田步美的退赛大礼，顺利晋级八强的白俄罗斯人将在［E1］1／4决赛［／E1］迎战9号种子斯托瑟，后者在另一场比赛中以 $7-5 / 2-6 / 6-1$ 首次击败科维托娃，结束了对捷克人的四连败 ．．． |
| :---: | :---: |
| Translation | The 2013 Italian Open continued．No． 3 seed Azarenka received the message of Ayumi Morita＇s withdrawal when taking a 6－1／2－0 lead．The Belarusian athlete successfully advanced to the［E1］quarter finals［／E1］．． |
| Prediction | 2010年澳洲网球公开赛男子单打比赛 ${ }^{2782589}$ ：拉斐尔．纳达尔是上届冠军，但在半决赛败给当届亚军安迪•穆雷。最终冠军为罗杰．费德勒，决赛以6－4，6－3，7－6直落三盘击败安迪•穆雷 ．． |
| Translation | 2010 Australian Open－Men＇s Singles ${ }^{\text {Q782589 }}$ ：Rafael Nadal was the last champion，but lost to current runner－up Andy Murray in the semifinals．The final champion was Roger Federer．In the final ．．． |
| Annotation | NIL＿EVENT |
| Outcome | Wrong：＂Quarter－finals＂is a rare alias of predicted entity＂2010 Australian Open－Men＇s Singles＂（a tennis tournament）．Although the context is relevant to tennis，it should refer to a different tournament in 2013 not in the KB．The model sniffs for an irrelevant entity with a similar type． |
| Context | 据北京地铁官方微博5日早晨7时55分发布消息称，目前，［E1］地铁13号线［／E1］因设备故障，影响部分列车晚点，运行间隔较大，建议有急事的乘客请选择其他交通工具 ．．． |
| Translation | According to the Beijing Metro official Weibo at 7：55 on the 5th，at present，［E1］Metro Line $\mathbf{1 3}$［／E1］has some equipment failures，and some trains are delayed and the operation interval is relatively long．Passengers in urgent matters are advised to please Choose other transportation．．． |
| Prediction | 北京地铁 13 号线 ${ }^{\mathrm{O} 847744 \text { ：北京地铁 } 13 \text { 号线，又称北京城市铁路，简称＂城铁＂，旧称北京轻轨铁路，}{ }^{\text {a }} \text { ，}}$又常被误称为＂轻轨＂，是一条连接中国北京市西城区西直门站至东城区东直门站，属于北京地铁的地铁线路．．． |
| Translation | Beijing Metro Line $13^{\text {Q847744 }}$ ：Beijing Metro Line 13，also known as Beijing Urban Railway，or ＂Urban Rail＂for short．It was formerly known as Beijing Light Rail Railway and often mistakenly called ＂Light Rail＂．It is a line connecting Xizhimen Station in Xicheng District，Beijing，China to Dongzhimen ．． |
| Outcome | Correct：Although the mention＂line 13 ＂is ambiguous，the model correctly resolves the mention to that in Beijing（not the top candidate in the alias table），as is sniffs＇Xizhimen Station＂in the context，a station on the Beijing subway line 13 ． |
| Context | 7月1日晚7点半，中超联赛第 15 轮贵州茅台队VS大连实德队的比赛在贵阳奥体中心点燃战火。凭借 ［E1］曲波［／E1］第5分钟和穆斯利第76分钟的进球，贵州茅台队最终2：0击败大连实德，本赛季首获3连胜．．． |
| Translation | At 7：30 pm on July 1，the 15th round of the Chinese Super League match between Kweichow Moutai vs． Dalian Shide ignited at the Guiyang Olympic Sports Center．With［E1］Qu Bo［／E1］scored in the 5th minute and Mooseley scored in the 76th minute，Kweichow Moutai defeated Dalian Shide 2－0 and won the first three consecutive victories this season．．．． |
| Prediction | 曲波 ${ }^{\text {483636 }}$ ：曲波，出生于天津，已退役的中国足球运动员，曾是中国国家足球队成员．．． |
| Translation | Qu Bo ${ }^{\text {Q483636 }}$ ：Qu Bo，born in Tianjin，a retired Chinese football player who was a member of the Chinese national football team ．．． |
| Outcome | Correct：The context is about soccer，and the model correctly links the name＂Qu Bo＂to the soccer player even though it is not the most popular candidate in the alias table． |

Table 8：Examples in Hansel－FS slice with CA model predictions．
examples，our annotation process cultivated some genuinely hard and ambiguous zero－shot examples．

## F Error Analysis of CA on Hansel－FS

We provide detailed examples in Table 10 and Ta－ ble 11 for CA model＇s common prediction errors on the challenging Hansel－FS dataset．Specifically，we did not include alias table misses，and for the rest of the errors，we categorize 40 examples into buckets and visualize the top－ 4 major buckets．Overall，pre－ dicting a common or a specific entity is a common error，suggesting that a better context comprehen－
sion ability is needed．There are also common errors confusing entities with different geographi－ cal and temporal attributes，indicating that a better utilization of entity attributes is required in order to improve results on the dataset．

## G mGENRE Implementation Details

We use the code in the publicly available GENRE repository ${ }^{9}$ ．We use the provided mGENRE model and do not perform any fine－tuning to its parame－

[^5]| Mention 1 | 来源：新闻晨报记者：王嫣今天上午，2019年［E1］上海大师赛［／E1］举行了男单正赛的抽签仪式。两届大满贯冠军，今年进入网球名人堂的李娜与获得男单正赛外卡的张之臻．．． |
| :---: | :---: |
| Translation | Source：Morning Post．Reporter：Yan Wang．This morning，the draw ceremony of the men＇s singles competition was held in the 2019 ［E1］Shanghai Masters［／E1］．Na Li，who won the Grand Slam champion twice and entered the Tennis Hall of Fame this year，together with Zhizhen Zhang，who won ．．． |
| Entity 1 | 2019年上海大师赛 ${ }^{\text {Q69355546：}}$ 2019年上海大师赛为第12届上海大师赛，又名2019年上海劳力士大师赛，是ATP世界巡回赛 1000 大师赛事的其中一站 ．．． |
| Translation | 2019 Shanghai Masters ${ }^{\text {Q6935546 }}$ ：The 2019 Shanghai Masters，also known as the 2019 Shanghai Rolex Masters，was the 12th Edition of the Shanghai Masters，classified as an ATP Tour Masters ．．． |
| Mention 2 | \＃2020斯诺克世锦赛\＃交手记录 ．．．2017年英格兰公开赛决赛：奥沙利文9－2威尔逊2018年［E1］上海大师赛［／E1］半决赛：奥沙利文10－6威尔逊2018年＂冠中冠＂邀请赛决赛：奥沙利文10－9威尔逊．．． |
| Translation | \＃2020 World Snooker Championship\＃Match Record ．．． 2017 English Open Final：O’Sullivan 9－2 Wilson 2018 ［E1］Shanghai Masters［／E1］Semi－final：O＇Sullivan 10－6 Wilson 2018 Champion of Champions ．．． |
| Entity 2 | 2019 年斯诺克上海大师赛 ${ }^{\text {Q66436641 }}$ ：2019年世界斯诺克．上海大师赛属职业斯诺克非排名赛，于2019年9月9日－15日在上海富豪环球东亚酒店举行。… |
| Translation | 2019 Shanghai Snooker Masters ${ }^{\text {Q66436641 }}$ ：The 2019 World Snooker Shanghai Masters was a pro－ fessional non－ranking snooker tournament that took place at the Regal International East Asia Hotel ．．． |
| Mention 3 | 这是2019年11月30日［E1］上海大师赛［／E1］＂传奇赛＂对决的决赛，中国的传奇队是来自退役选手Gogoing，Melon，小伞，U和诺夏组成OMG的班底，而他们的对手则是韩国的退役选手。 |
| Translation | This is the final of＂Legend Tournament＂on［E1］Shanghai Masters［／E1］on November 30，2019．The legendary team of China is a team of retired players，consisting of Gogoing，Melon，Xiaosan， U and Nuoxia from OMG Organization．Their opponents are retired players from South Korea ．．． |
| Entit | NIL＿EVENT |
| Analysis | During data collection，Entity 1 （entity in $E_{n e w}$ ）was provided．The annotator found Mention 1 via Web search，as well as two adversarial mentions with the same phrase（＂Shanghai Masters＂），referring to a tennis tournament，a snooker tournament，and an online gaming tournament respectively． |
| Mention 1 | 1905电影网讯 已经筹备了十余年的吉尔莫．德尔．托罗的《［E1］匹诺曹［／E1］》，在上个月顺利被网飞公司买下，成为了流媒体巨头旗下的新片。 ．．． |
| Translation | （1905 Film Network News）Having prepared for more than 10 years，Guillermo del Toro＇s［E1］Pinocchio ［／E1］was successfully acquired by Netflix，becoming a new film of the streaming media giant．．． |
| Entity 1 | 木偶奇遇记＿（2021年电影）${ }^{\text {Q73895818：}}$ 《木偶奇遇记》（暂名，）是一部预定于2021年上映的美国3D定格动画黑暗奇幻歌舞片，由吉勒摩戴托罗执导。 |
| Translation | The Adventures of Pinocchio＿（ 2021 film）${ }^{\text {Q73895818 }}$ ：The Adventures of Pinocchio（tentative name）is an upcoming American stop－motion animated dark fantasy musical film directed by Guillermo del Toro and is planned for a 2021 release ．．． |
| Mention 2 | ［E1］匹诺曹［／E1］的金币还是被狐狸和猫骗走了。他去报官，发现猴子法官说话颠三倒四，喜欢抓无辜的人。无奈之下，匹诺曹只好编造谎言，说自己偷了很多东西了，最终才得以逃离。 |
| Translation | The fox and the cat swindled［E1］Pinocchio［／E1］out of his coins．Pinocchio went to report to the officials and found that the Monkey Judge talked incoherently and liked to catch innocent people．In desperation， Pinocchio had no choice but to fabricate a lie，claiming that he had stolen tons of things，and finally escaped． |
| Entity 2 | 匹诺曹 ${ }^{Q 6502703}$ ：匹诺曹，名字来自意大利语＂＂（＂松果＂），是一个虚构人物，意大利作家卡洛•科洛迪所着儿童文学作品《木偶奇遇记》（1883年）的主角，在原版同时也是反派角色之一．．． |
| Translation | Pinocchio ${ }^{\text {Q6502703 }}$ ：Pinocchio，whose name comes from the Italian words pino（pine），is a fictional character and the protagonist of the children＇s novel The Adventures of Pinocchio（1883）by Italian writer Carlo ．．． |
| Mention 3 | \＃匹诺曹定档\＃改编自经典童话《木偶奇遇记》的奇幻电影《［E1］匹诺曹［／E1］》发布定档预告，定档6月1日儿童节。影片由马提欧•加洛尼（《犬舍惊魂》）执导，罗伯托•贝尼尼（《美丽人生》 |
| Translation | \＃PinocchioReleaseDate\＃The fantasy film＂［E1］Pinocchio［／E1］＂，adapted from the classic fairy tale，will be released on June 1st for Children＇s Day．The film is directed by Matteo Galloni（＂The Kennel＂）．．． |
| Entity 3 | NIL＿OTHER |
| Analysis | All with the same mention text，Mention 1 refers an entity in $E_{\text {new }}$ which is a 2021 film directed by G．del Toro，with a different canonical name than the mention．Mention 3 refers to another film Pinocchio in 2019 by M．Garrone，which is not in zh－wiki thus deserves a NIL label．Mention 2 refers to the fictional character． |

Table 9：Examples in Hansel－ZS slice，illustrating challenging zero－shot and adversarial examples collected by annotators．
ters. Since mGENRE uses both Wikipedia and Wikidata dumps from 2019-10-01, and our ZS slice include entities from Wikidata 2021-03-15, for Hansel-ZS evaluations, we extend the catalog of entity names by considering all languages for each entity from $E_{\text {new }}$, obtained from the Wikidata dump.

## H Comparision of Existing Chinese EL Datasets and Hansel

The only 2 series of Chinese EL datasets that link to Wikidata are TAC-KBP series (Ji et al., 2015, 2016, 2017) and CLEEK (Zeng et al., 2020). Table 12 summarizes the datasets' statistics and domains. Our dataset sets itself apart by filling the vacancy of non-English few-shot and zero-shot challenges.

To obtain a few-shot slice, it is intuitive to subsample TAC-KBP or CLEEK, i.e. removing correct AT@ 1 as we do in the human annotation stage. Although sub-sampling is feasible, its major disadvantage is the lack of mention and entity diversity. As Table 12 shows, the subsets of TAC-KBP and CLEEK, after removing correct AT@1 examples, lack diversity due to their intrinsic features. Take TAC-KBP2017 for example, its few-shot subset has 3,883 mentions, covering only 877 different surface forms, 167 documents and 350 entities, suggesting lots of lexical repetitions across examples. On the other hand, Hansel-FS has 3,462 mentions, covering 3,035 (3x) different surface forms, 3,457 (20x) documents and 1,899 ( 5 x ) entities. The diversity of Hansel-FS is rooted from our collection method, as we sample mentions from a large set of documents, avoiding repetitive mentions and entities that commonly appear in a same document, making the dataset challenging and syntactically diverse.

In the zero-shot slice, we use the emerging entities in temporally evolving Wikidata to collect Hansel-ZS. We apply this zero-shot setting due to its practical use. Since EL is often used in knowledge base construction and population (Shen et al., 2014; Hoffart et al., 2014), this setting simulates how to link mentions to emerging entities with 2018's training data.

The TAC-KBP datasets are available for a price. For the convenience of future research, Hansel is open-source, including the processed Wikipedia dump as training data, to better facilitate the development of new Chinese EL systems.
In conclusion, Hansel-FS and Hansel-ZS provide a robust and comprehensive benchmark on Chinese

EL systems and cannot be substituted by simply
subsampling existing datasets.

| Bucket 1 | Predicted general entity while specific one exists（30\％） |
| :---: | :---: |
| Context | $\ldots$ 英国威廉王子办公室宣布，威廉王子的妻子凯特王妃已怀有身孕。办公室在声明中称：＂［E1］剑桥公爵［／E1］及公爵夫人非常高兴地宣布，公爵夫人已有喜。＂网友们也不甘寂寞，合成了未来宝宝的样子，宝宝相貌神似父母，趣味十足。 |
| Translation | The office of Prince William of England announced that Prince William＇s wife，Princess Kate，is pregnant． The office said in a statement：＂［E1］The Duke of Cambridge［／E1］and the Duchess are very happy to announce that the Duchess has been happy．＂Netizens were unwilling to be lonely，and synthesized the appearance of the future baby．The baby looks like his parents and is full of fun．．．． |
| Prediction | 剑桥公爵 ${ }^{0836810}$ ：剑桥公爵（又译坎布里奇公爵）为其中一种，也是英国王室的一种特别等级。此头衔（以英格兰剑桥为名）可经由长子继承制，由男性后裔继承，并已授予多位英国王室成员。剑桥公爵的配偶则称作剑桥公爵夫人。… |
| Translation | The Duke of Cambridge ${ }^{\text {Q836810 }}$ ：The Duke of Cambridge（also translated as the Duke of Cambridge）is one of them，and it is also a special rank of the British royal family．This title（under the name of Cambridge， England）can be inherited by male descendants through the eldest son inheritance system ．．． |
| Annotation | 剑桥公爵威廉王子 ${ }^{036812}$ ：剑桥公爵威廉王子殿下，全名为威廉•亚瑟•菲利普．路易，是王储威尔斯亲王查尔斯与威尔斯王妃戴安娜的长子，英国女王伊丽莎白二世与菲利普亲王的长孙。 |
| Translation | Prince William，Duke of Cambridge ${ }^{\text {Q36812 }}$ ：His Royal Highness Prince William，Duke of Cam－ bridge，whose full name is William Arthur Philip Louis，is the eldest son of Prince Charles of Wales and Diana，Princess of Wales，and the eldest grandson of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip of England． |
| Bucket 2 | Predicted similar entity with wrong location（28\％） |
| Context | ．．．＂当时我站在大盆旁边，等着衣服被用干，没想到衣服刚刚放进没有一分钟，洗衣机爆炸了。碎片一院子飞的都是，连厨房里也蹦进了不少碎片，还好儿子没事，不过现在想想还是后怕。＂家住 ［E1］市中区［／E1］西王庄乡民主村的村民邵艳伟说。 |
| Translation | ．＂I was standing next to the big basin，waiting for the clothes to be dried．I didn＇t expect that the washing machine exploded within a minute after the clothes were put in．The debris was flying all over the yard，and even a lot of debris jumped into the kitchen．My good son is okay，but I＇m still scared when I think about it now．＂said Shao Yanwei，a villager who lives in［E1］Shizhong District［／E1］Xiwangzhuang Township Democracy Village．．．． |
| Prediction | 市中区 ${ }^{\text {Q598098：}}$ 市中区是中国山东省济南市所辖的市辖区，这个区面积为 280 平方公里，人口总数为57万人（2004年）。… |
| Translation | Shizhong District ${ }^{\text {Q598098 }}$ ：Shizhong District is a municipal district under the jurisdiction of Jinan City， Shandong Province，China．This district covers an area of 280 square kilometers and has a total population of 570，000（2004）．．．． |
| Annotation | 市中区 ${ }^{\text {Q1198415 }: ~}$ 市中区是中国山东省専庄市所辖的一个市辖区。总面积为 375 平方千米，2001年人口为 48 万。 ．．． |
| Translation | Shizhong District ${ }^{\text {Q1198415 }}$ ：Shizhong District is a municipal district under the jurisdiction of Zaozhuang City，Shandong Province，China．The total area is 375 square kilometers，and the population in 2001 was 480，000．．．． |

Table 10：Error analysis of CA model on Hansel－FS slice．（Bucket 1 and 2）

| Bucket 3 | Similar entity with wrong date（15\％） |
| :---: | :---: |
| Context | 4 月 29 日，王一梅右脚脚踝韧带撕裂，并经历了手术治疗；7月1日，伤愈归队；7月20日，主帅俞觉敏曾向记者介绍，大梅已恢复了五成功力．．．．．．现在，王一梅已经随中国女排来到伦敦奥运会赛场。…＂不过，毕竟手术到现在只有 3 个月，特别是王一梅归队之后与队伍的整体磨合只有 10 天，时间非常紧，到了［E1］奥运会［／E1］赛场上，她到底能发挥出怎样的状态，现在大家都没底．．．．．＂至于昨天同英国女排的热身赛，俞觉敏直言，这同奥运会的正式比赛有着明显的不同 |
| Translation | On April 29，Wang Yimei suffered a torn ligament in her right ankle and underwent surgical treatment；on July 1，he returned to the team from injury；on July 20，coach Yu Juemin introduced to reporters that Damei had recovered his five strengths．．．Now，Wang Yimei has accompanied the Chinese women＇s volleyball team to the London Olympics．．．．The time is very tight．In the［E1］Olympic Games［／E1］，how can she perform？ Nobody has any idea．＂As for the warm－up match with the British women＇s volleyball team yesterday，Yu Juemin bluntly said that this is obviously different from the official Olympic game． |
| Prediction | 第二十九届现代夏季奥林匹克运动会 ${ }^{\text {Q8567 }}$ ：第二十九届现代夏季奥林匹克运动会，又称2008年夏季奥运会或北京奥运会，于2008年8月8日至24日在中华人民共和国首都北京举行。… |
| Translation | The 29th Modern Summer Olympic Games ${ }^{\text {Q8567 }}$ ：The 29th Modern Summer Olympic Games，also known as the 2008 Summer Olympics or Beijing Olympics，was held from August 8 to 24， 2008 in Beijing， the capital of the People＇s Republic of China．．．． |
| Annotation | 2012年夏季奥林匹克运动会 ${ }^{88577}$ ：2012年夏季奥林匹克运动会，正式名称为第三十届夏季奥林匹克运动会，又称为2012年伦敦奥运会，是于2012年7月27日至8月12日在英国伦敦举行的一届综合性运动会。… |
| Translation | The 2012 Summer Olympic Games ${ }^{\text {Q8577 }}$ ：The 2012 Summer Olympic Games，officially known as the 30th Summer Olympic Games，also known as the 2012 London Olympics，is a comprehensive sports meeting held in London，England from July 27 to August 12，2012．．．． |
| Bucket 4 | Predicted an irrelevant specific instance of a general entity（ $\mathbf{1 0 \% \text { ）}}$ |
| Context | 中新网6月28日电 据俄新网27日报道，俄罗斯总统普京表示，通过直接投票的方式选举产生俄联邦委员会参议员的做法违反宪法，但是他不排除将来可能［E1］修改宪法［／E1］直接选举产生参议员。普京强调，＂宪法规定，联邦委员会由执行和立法机关代表组成。＂他指出，现行宪法没有规定选民直接投票选举产生参议员的程序。再被问及是否会为实现直接选举联邦委员会成员而修改宪法时，普京表示，＂我不认为在这种情况下我们应该现在着手这个问题。但这在将来是有可能的。 |
| Translation | Chinanews．com，June 28．According to a report on the 27th of Russia＇s new website，Russian President Vladimir Putin stated that the election of senators to the Russian Federation Council through direct voting violates the Constitution，but he does not rule out the possibility of［E1］amending the constitution［／E1］ in the future．Directly elected senators．Putin emphasized，＂The Constitution stipulates that the Federal Council is composed of representatives of the executive and legislative bodies．＂He pointed out that the current Constitution does not provide for the procedure for voters to directly vote for the election of senators． When asked again whether he would amend the constitution to achieve direct election of members of the Federal Council，Putin said，＂I don＇t think we should tackle this issue now under such circumstances．But it is possible in the future．＂．．． |
| Prediction | 2020年俄罗斯修宪公投 ${ }^{\text {2598098：}}$ ：2020年俄罗斯修宪公投是俄罗斯于2020年6月25日至7月1日举行的公投。此次公投是俄罗斯总统普京在2020年1月15日向联邦会议时提出的．．． |
| Translation | The 2020 Russian constitutional amendment referendum ${ }^{\text {Q83347039：The } 2020 \text { Russian }}$ constitutional amendment referendum is a referendum held by Russia from June 25 to July 1，2020．The referendum was proposed by Russian President Vladimir Putin at the Federal Conference on January 15， 2020．．．． |
| Annotation | 宪法修正 ${ }^{\mathrm{Q} 1198415: ~ \text { 宪法修正，简称修宪，指的是国家宪法的修改。有一些国家允许修改宪法本文；}}$也有一些国家不能修改宪法本文，但允许在本文后面附上增修条文。… |
| Translation | Constitutional amendment ${ }^{\text {Q53463 }}$ ：Constitutional amendment，referred to as constitutional amend－ ment，refers to the amendment of the national constitution．Some countries allow amendments to the text of the constitution；some countries cannot amend the text of the constitution，but allow additions and amendments to the back of the text．．．． |

Table 11：Error analysis of CA model on Hansel－FS slice．（Bucket 3 and 4）

| Dataset | \#Mentions |  |  | \#Distinct Mentions |  |  | \#Documents |  |  | \#Entities | Domains |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | In-KB | NIL | Total | In-KB | NIL | Total | In-KB | NIL | Total |  |  |
| TAC-KBP2015 (Ji et al., 2015) | 8,666 | 2,400 | 11,066 | 1,246 | 1,627 | 2,869 | 166 | 146 | 166 | 840 | News, Discussion Forum |
| TAC-KBP2016 (Ji et al., 2016) | 7,115 | 1,730 | 8,845 | 1,185 | 1,080 | 2,221 | 166 | 167 | 167 | 742 | News, Discussion Forum |
| TAC-KBP2017 (Ji et al., 2017) | 7,673 | 2,573 | 10,246 | 1,218 | 1,297 | 2,421 | 167 | 167 | 167 | 796 | News, Discussion Forum |
| CLEEK (Zeng et al., 2020) | 2,609 | 177 | 2,786 | 1,435 | 135 | 1,569 | 100 | 55 | 100 | 1,191 | News |
| TAC-KBP2015 FS Subset | 2,072 | 316 | 2,388 | 417 | 140 | 555 | 155 | 90 | 161 | 298 | News, Discussion Forum |
| TAC-KBP2016 FS Subset | 2,255 | 581 | 2,836 | 475 | 241 | 679 | 166 | 130 | 167 | 354 | News, Discussion Forum |
| TAC-KBP2017 FS Subset | 2,583 | 1,300 | 3,883 | 486 | 464 | 877 | 163 | 159 | 167 | 350 | News, Discussion Forum |
| CLEEK FS Subset | 685 | 47 | 732 | 421 | 36 | 456 | 94 | 24 | 95 | 377 | News |
| Hansel-FS (ours) | 2,138 | 1,324 | 3,462 | 1,875 | 1,221 | 3,035 | 2,134 | 1,323 | 3,457 | 1,899 | News, Social Media |
| Hansel-ZS (ours) | 4,208 | 507 | 4,715 | 3,981 | 468 | 4,222 | 4,200 | 507 | 4,704 | 4,046 | News, Social Media, E-books, etc. |

Table 12: Comparision of existing Chinese EL datasets and the Hansel dataset. We break down the number of mentions, distinct mentions and documents by whether the label is a NIL entity or inside Wikidata (In-KB). We also provide statistics of existing datasets' few-shot (FS) subsets.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Downloaded from https://figshare.com/.

[^1]:    ${ }^{2} \mathrm{We}$ refer to https://www.wikidata.org/ wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_Infoboxes when choosing appropriate entities for corresponding types.
    ${ }^{3}$ A "SNAK" refers to "some notation about knowledge": https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Q86719099.

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ Note that future work on this dataset should adopt similar constraints to make sure $E_{\text {new }}$ entities are kept unseen in training.
    ${ }^{5}$ We sampled examples from PART-I of LCSTS.
    ${ }^{6}$ Available at http://www.sogou.com/labs/ resource/list_news.php.

[^3]:    ${ }^{7}$ To facilitate easy searches, we provide annotators with pre-filled search query templates in an annotation tool.

[^4]:    ${ }^{8}$ We use a Freebase API to resolve predictions to a Freebase MID, to be consistent with the dataset. When our system cannot resolve the link, it counts as a prediction error.

[^5]:    ${ }^{9}$ https：／／github．com／facebookresearch／ GENRE

