

Event Coreference Data (Almost) for Free: Mining Hyperlinks from Online News

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Gary Ross back in **talks** to direct 'The Hunger Games' sequel 'Catching Fire'



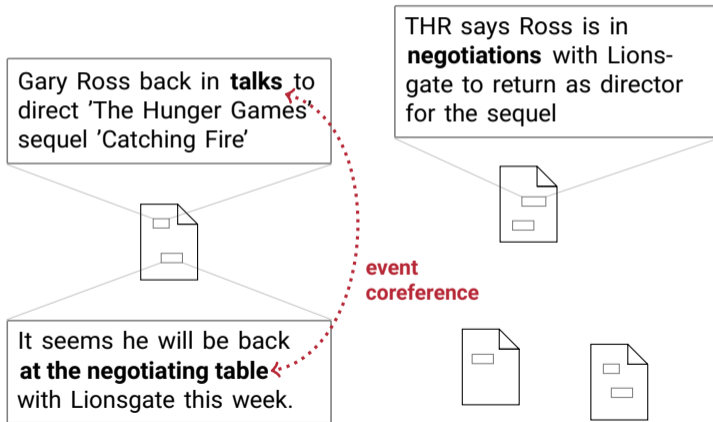
It seems he will be back **at the negotiating table** with Lionsgate this week.

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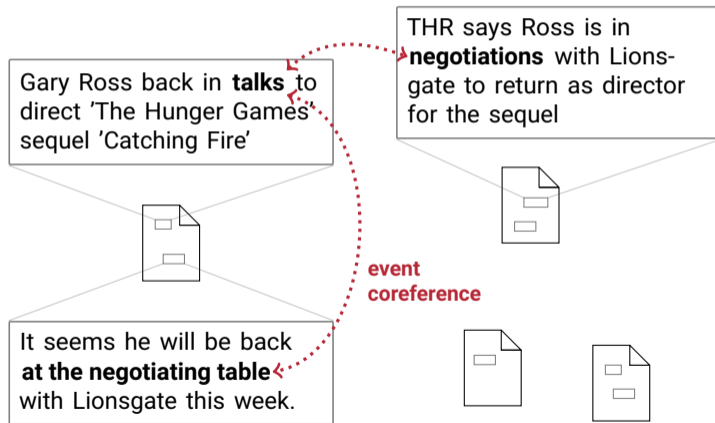
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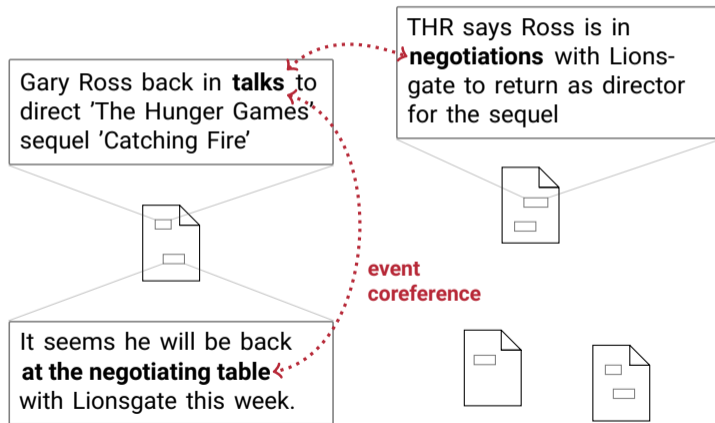
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Many mentions at once in the cross-document case: computational complexity **becomes a challenge!**

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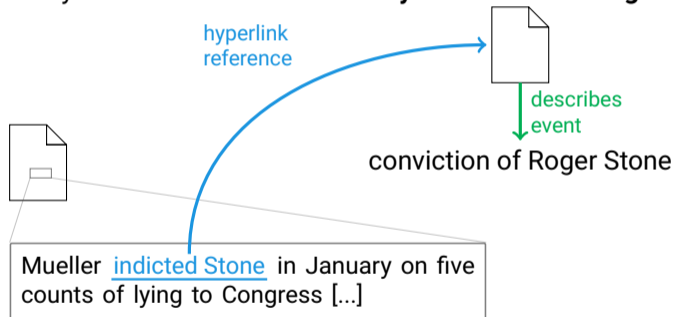
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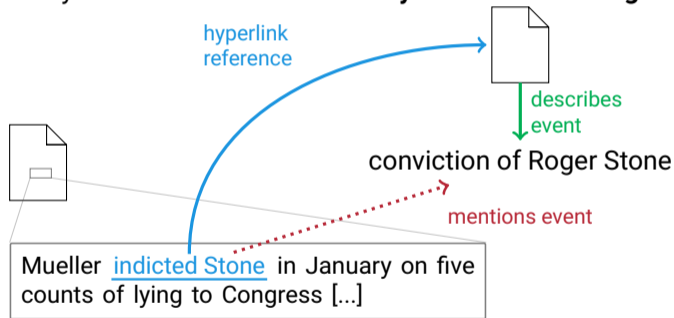
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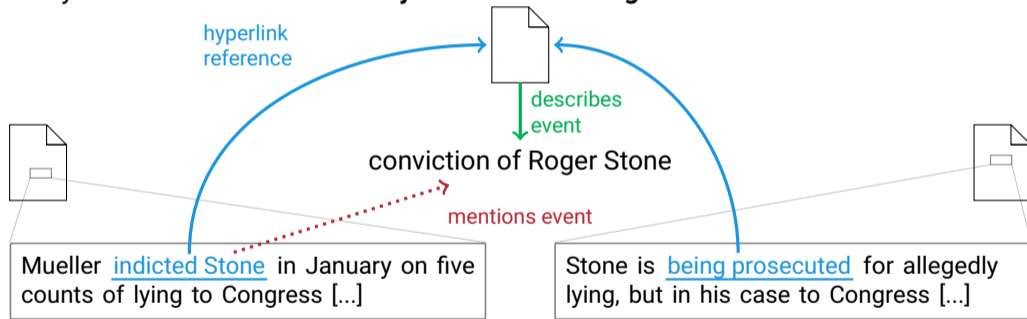
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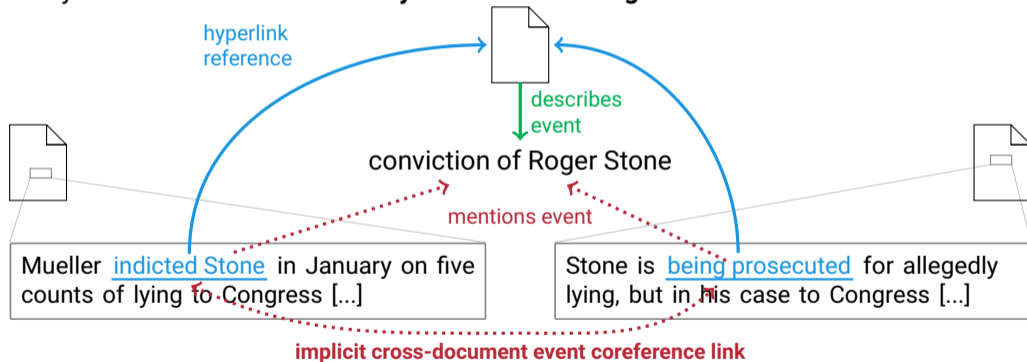
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- Is it useful? **Yes**. A system trained on hyperlink data performs comparable to a system trained on gold data.
- Come visit our stand in gather.town for details.
Data and code will be available soon™.