Deconstructing Relevance with LLMs for Information Retrieval Evaluation

Rubric

Grading Sheet

Query:
When did rock'n'roll begin?
Passages:

	Rubric Question 1 OR Relevance Criteria 1	Rubric Question 2 OR Relevance Criteria 2	Rubric Question 3 OR Relevance Criteria 3	Rubric Question 4 OR Relevance Criteria 4	Relevance Label
p1 — , listens to pop, rock, soul and whatnot. **The rock and roll era began around 1950.** It evolved from **rhythm and blues** in the 1940s. The name rock and roll was the title of a song by the **Boswell Sisters** in 1934 (YouTube), but that was a swing song.	4 / 2	4 / 2	0 / 3	4 / 2	4 / 3
p2 — Definition of 'rock and roll'. rock and roll also rock'n'roll. uncountable noun. Rock and roll is a kind of popular music developed in the **1950s** which has a strong beat and **is played on electrical instruments.** ... **Elvis Presley–the King of Rock and Roll.** ... the greatest rock 'n' roll band in the world. rock and roll or rock'n'roll.	5 / 3	0 / 2	0 / 2	4 / 3	4 / 3
p3 — But you could just as well take the release of **"Rocket 88"** in 1951 as the beginning of the rocknroll era, because that was the first rocknroll song. So far we have the years **1951 and 1952** to choose from. Maybe a certain date will turn up while we examine why rocknroll emerged at all.	0 / 3	0 / 1	4 / 3	0 / 2	4 / 3

Rubric Generation:
Query Specific Questions/
Relevance Criteria

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Relevance Labeling

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Use for Evaluation
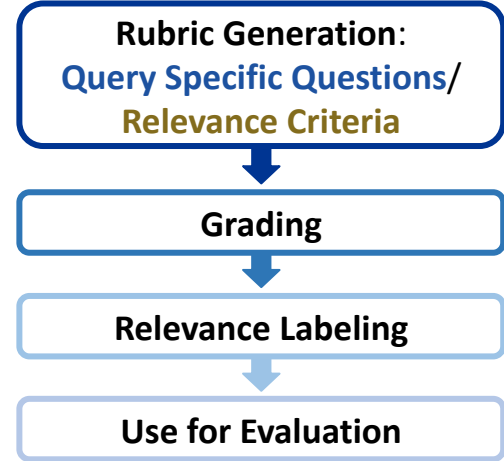
- Rubric based evaluation method of IR and Generative Systems
- **Query Specific Questions:** Decomposes queries into concise, answerable questions
- **Relevance Criteria:** Breaks down relevance into specific, pre-defined criteria
- Trustworthy evaluation - incorporates humans without over reliance on AI/LLM

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