Paper Topic Classification with Active Learning

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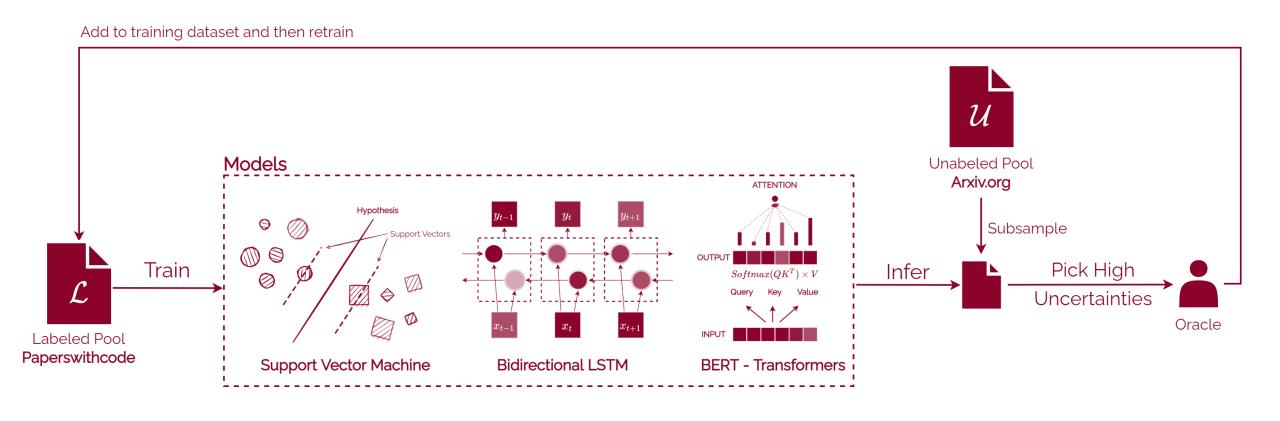




Whole Pipeline Blueprint

Some conditions may change during the project





Data

- paperswithcode: contains 12k papers from A.I. Field
- arxiv: contains 1.7M papers from many fields will use A.I. related only

Task

- A.I. Field Multi-label Classification
- Active Learning with Labeled Pool (paperswithcode) and Unlabeled Pool (arxiv)

Details

- Uncertainty-based sampling methods
 - Classic Active Learning / BALD / BatchBALD
- Uncertainty-estimation methods
 - Monte Carlo Dropout / Full Ensemble
- and compare with Naïve Training with 100% of the data
 - with/without abstract (long text)

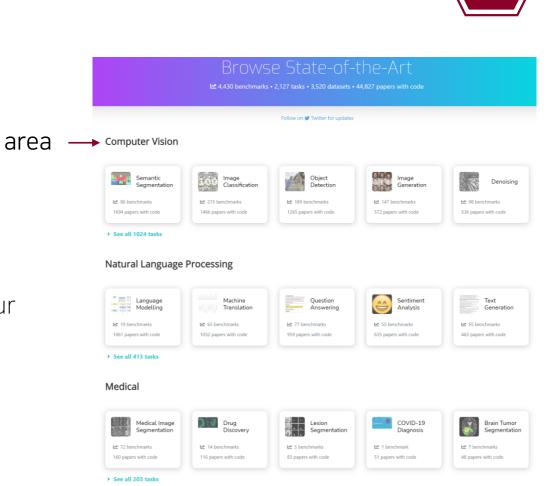
Multi-label Classification Problem with Paper Title+Abstract

paperswithcode contains 12k papers from A.I. Field

- Contains "specific" A.I. Field
- Some belongs to multiple areas.
- Train/Valid/Test splits with 90/5/5

arxiv contains 1.7M papers from many fields

- Does not contain A.I. Field
- I will use this as unlabeled pool
 - which means ··· I, oracle, has to do some labe-our



Project Plan

Achieve better results models from previous project on test set

- ML Models didn't work properly before ···
- Transformer models were high enough, peak around 94% but wanted to see if how far this can reach with less data

Types	Models	AUROC
Machine Learning	Extra Tree Complement Naive Bayes Naive Bayes K-Nearest Neighbour Random Forest AdaBoost	52.4 ± 0.02 52.5 ± 0.12 52.9 ± 0.05 53.2 ± 0.03 56.4 ± 0.05 59.8 ± 0.06
	LightGBM XGBoost	63.9 ± 0.08 66.8 ± 0.09

Table 1: AUROC comparison between machine learning models, using tokenized input. Error indicates Standard Error of the Mean (SEM) across 10 folds.

Model	$\#\mathrm{L}$	#A		#H	
			128	256	512
ELECTRA	1	8	93.0	93.1	92.7
		16	93.1	93.1	93.6
		32	93.6	93.4	93.6
	2	8	91.5	92.9	88.4
		16	92.5	93.7	90.8
		32	92.6	93.8	92.6
	3	8	53.7	93.2	81.3
		16	53.1	93.7	87.5
		32	91.2	93.1	92.2
	4	8	52.6	93.5	74.4
		16	50.3	93.3	84.4
		32	53.7	93.7	89.9

Table 3: Grid search result over number of layers, heads and hidden dimension for the ELECTRA Transformer Model pooled with first sequence label: #L=the number of layers; #A=the number of attention heads; #H=hidden size.

Motivation 2

Why Multi-label Classification?

- It was interesting that AL can do the work with small portion of data in many classification tasks by finding decision boundaries with tactic.
- Wondering if multi-label classification would work too.

Why NLP?

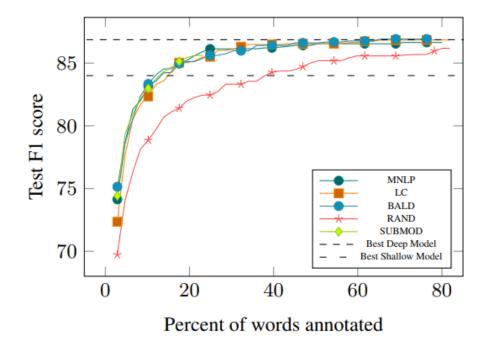
- There were some works about NLP + AL in the field, but not deeply and especially Attention models were hard to find
- Also, I have some side project on this and became curious about how AL would fit in.

Why SVM / BiLSTM / BERT?

- ML models screwed up in my previous projects and wanted to see if AL works for SVM.
- BiLSTM was most widely used model in NLP+AL Related works
- BERT easy to implement and definitely should be tell apart with Recurrent Models
 - Other transformer models in candidate as well

One of early trials using Active learning in Deep learning models

- Used MNLP/LC [2] sampling methods and BALD [3] and Random as baseline
- This work came out before the boom of Transformers,
 1dCNN and BiLSTM were used
- Would be interesting to find more insight
- tested on CoNLL-2003, OntoNotes-5.0 (2013)
- Achieved SOTA trained with standard methods with much less data



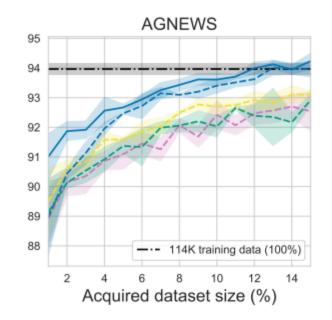
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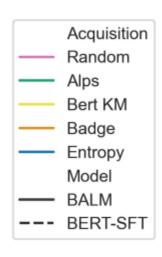
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Transformer architecture experiments with multiple AL strategy

- Pretrained Models are Finetuned again in a specific task
- In this finetuning stage, this work used active learning in order to achieve high performance with much less data
- Compared with standard finetuning methods with multiple datasets
- Within 15% of all datasets, active learning strategy surpassed the standard training options.
 - No acquisition strategy universally performs better





[4] Margatina, Katerina, Loic Barrault, and Nikolaos Aletras. "Bayesian Active Learning with Pretrained Language Models." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2104.08320* (2021).

BatchBALD: Efficient and diverse batch acquisition for deep Bayesian active learning



BALD [5]

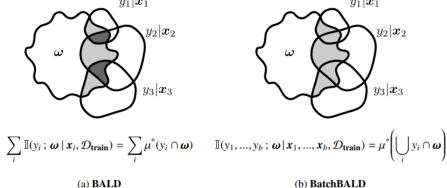
Find examples whose output is marginally uncertain, with many disagreements between sampled models

$$I(y; \omega | x, D_{train}) = H(y | x, D_{train}) - E_{p(\omega | D_{train})}[H(y | x, \omega, D_{train})]$$

- Tries to find images with high uncertainty and disagreements on different models
- Through MC Dropout, we can get the approximation of this. [6]
 - Full-ensemble is used as well [7]

BatchBALD [8]

- Tackled problem of selecting "near" duplicates from BALD
- Reduce redundancy of similar samples being selected



(b) BatchBALD

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- [8] Beluch, William H., et al. "The power of ensembles for active learning in image classification." *Proceedings of the IEEE Conference on* Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition. 2018.

Similar/Same approach to novel dataset

- More insight about NLP + AL
- Trials with various ML/Transformer models
- Domain-specific dataset

Serving (if possible)

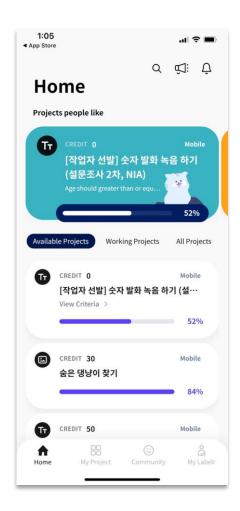
Thinking of data annotation tool

- Annotating "high uncertainty" data first would help in large amounts of data
- Not going to deploy seriously, but just a mockup









About Active Learning

- https://minds.wisconsin.edu/bitstream/handle/1793/60660/TR1648.pdf?sequence=1
- https://dsgissin.github.io/DiscriminativeActiveLearning/2018/07/05/AL-Intro.html
- https://jacobgil.github.io/deeplearning/activelearning

Discriminative Active Learning

- https://arxiv.org/pdf/1907.06347.pdf
 - https://dsgissin.github.io/DiscriminativeActiveLearning/2018/07/05/DAL.html
 - https://github.com/dsgissin/DiscriminativeActiveLearning
- https://kmhana.tistory.com/12?category=838050

BALD

- https://arxiv.org/pdf/1112.5745.pdf
- https://arxiv.org/pdf/1703.02910.pdf
 - https://github.com/Riashat/Deep-Bayesian-Active-Learning

BatchBALD

- https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.08158
 - https://oatml.cs.ox.ac.uk/blog/2019/06/24/batchbald.html
 - https://github.com/BlackHC/BatchBALD



Thank you 🔊 Questions?

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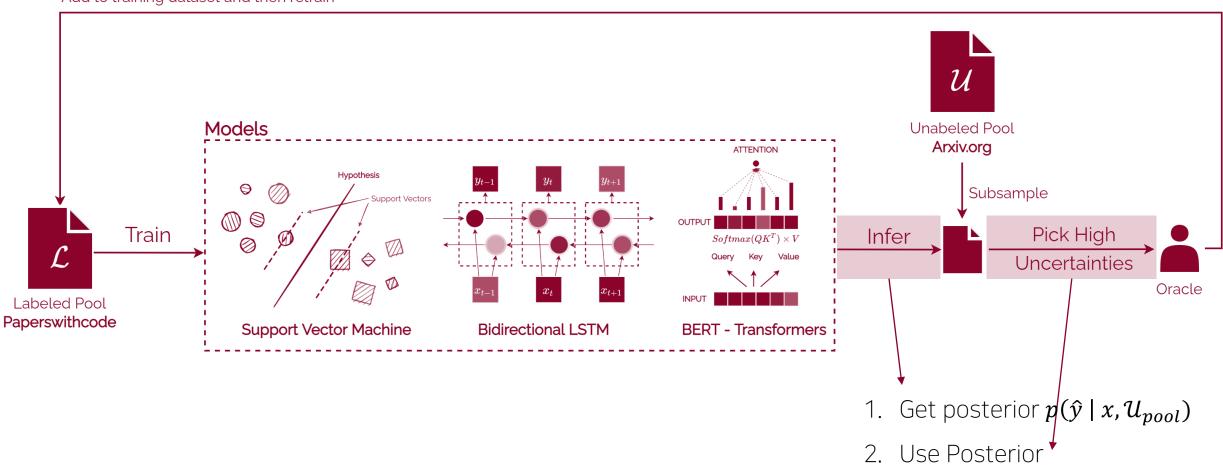


Backups

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Add to training dataset and then retrain



Not just the prediction, but "posterior probability" of the predictions. $p(\hat{y} \mid x, \mathcal{U}_{pool})$

Dropout as an approximation [1]

- Applied dropout can is equivalent to an approximation to the probabilistic deep Gaussian Processes and minimizes KL-divergence with the posterior [1]
- To simply put it, $p(\hat{y} \mid x, \mathcal{U}_{pool}) = \frac{1}{T} \sum p(\hat{y} \mid x, w_t)$, sum of many different dropout models [3]

Ensemble models [2, 3]

- Trained multiple models and compared with the method above
- Ensembling 5 models surpassed T=25 from MC in performance (MNIST, CIFAR-10)
 - They view this problem as same weights/initialization/optimization in MC Dropout [3-4.3]
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How to alleviate Uncertainties ?: Classic Active Learning [4]

Related Works

- **Uncertainty Sampling**
 - Random Sampling
 - Least Confidence
 - Margin Sampling

Query-By-Committee (QBC)

- Vote Entropy
- KL-Divergence

Expected Model Change (EGL)

- Vote Entropy
- KL-Divergence

Variance Reduction and Fisher Information Ratio (FIR)

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Deep Learning has difficulties in - [5]

Requiring Large amounts of data

No representation about model uncertainty

Discriminative Active Learning (DAL) [6]

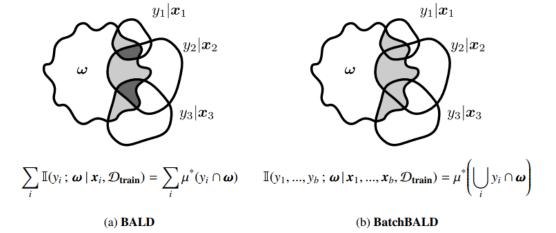
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Bayesian Active Learning by Disagreement (BALD) [7]

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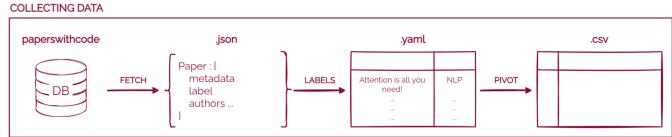
1dCNN / LSTM / CRF + AL

- LC / MNLP / BALD Sampling on NER SOTA with much less data [9]
- LC / Dropout+BALD / Backprop-by-Bayes on few tasks [10]
 - SC: no significance / NER, SRL: with 50% of the dataset, outperforms w/o AL

BERT + AL

- BERT Finetune on Unlabeled Pool gives performs better than standard BERT Finetuning [11]
- In real-world challenging scenario, AL can improve model performance [12]
- BERT Classification task with AL performs well [13]
- No single strategy outperforms the other [12, 13]
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- [13] Prabhu, Sumanth, Moosa Mohamed, and Hemant Misra. "Multi-class Text Classification using BERT-based Active Learning." *arXiv preprint arXiv:2104.14289* (2021).





Use paperswithcode Database

- Database page made with Django library with their domain open
- Everyone can fetch data here!
 - There is an open API made by them, but does not work
 - I partially used their open-source code to scrape the data

Fetching and Organizing Data

- Right figure is the raw meta-data fetched from the DB
- Here I only used 'title' and 'area'
 - 'area' is not seen on the figure since papers were scraped by area

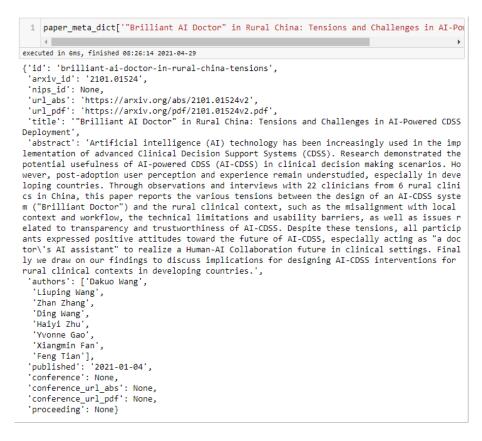


Fig. 1 Raw Meta Data for each paper



Make correct X, y

- Preprocessing is the most important part in NLP
- 1. I only leaved Alphabets and Numbers
 - Chinese, Special characters were all removed
- 2. Lowered the alphabets
- 3. Tokenized by word
- 4. Embedding
 - This can be done with many ways, such as -
 - sentencepiece, word2vec, FastText
 - Possible to remove tenses (plural, past tense e.t.c)
 - Word embeddings
 - But we can also expect deep learning to do that as well.

PREPROCESSING PAPERS X PREPROCESS Dataloader LABELS MASKS Attention is all you need! REMOVE Attention is all you need LOWER Attention is all you need TOKEN [0 1 2 3 4] SAmPle @#Pap¬er! SAmPle Paper SAmPle Paper [5 6]

Active Learning (with my humble interpretation)

There must be many ways to do it, but in my case -

- 1. Train the model (or models) with Training data
- 2. Infer Unlabeled Pool (may not be whole, but some) to get the posterior

$$p(y = class \mid x, D_{pool})$$

- 3. With calculated posterior, sample data that has high uncertainty through followings
 - 1. Uncertainty Sampling
 - Least Confidence, Margin sampling, Entropy Sampling
 - 2. Query by Committee (through multiple models)
 - Vote Entropy, KL-Divergence, …
 - BALD (but probabilistic), BatchBALD, ...
 - +. Expected Model Change, Density-based method (Core-set, REPR), e.t.c.
- 4. Add these samples to training data and retrain

