

# ADL 2021 Final Project

## Task-Oriented Dialogue (DST & NLG)

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### 摘要

本報告旨在討論任務導向型對話(Task-Oriented Dialogue)系統中，如何運用深度學習去訓練所謂的聊天機器人，能夠如同真人一般地與使用端用戶對答。其中將會展示對話狀態追蹤(DST)以及自然對話生成(NLG)，讓整個系統更加完整。DST部分使用transformer當中的bert-base-uncased model，NLG的部分則是參考臉書AI團隊所開發之ACCENTOR(Adding Chit-Chat to Enhance Task-Oriented Dialogues)來完成，展示其資料處理、訓練及成果，最後進行檢討。

### 1. 介紹

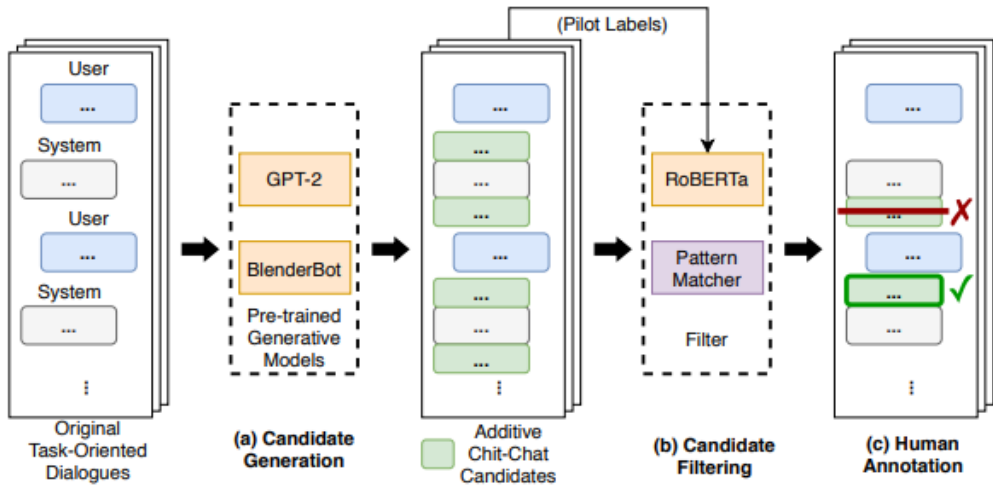
#### 1.1 dialog state tracking

在此任務中，收錄人與機器的對話。在人與機器每一輪的對話當中，標記對話的狀態，包含service, requested slot, dialogue等等。此項目最為廣泛使用的數據集為MultiWOZ。MultiWOZ包含大量的領域和主題，包含大約一萬個對話。另外一個較新的數據集為dstc。dstc源自Google舉辦的Dialog System Technology Challenge。此次作業使用的數據集為dstc-8與MultiWOZ2.1之混合。

#### 1.2

臉書(Facebook)於2017年5月推出ParlAI，透過Github平台釋出，可用來訓練及測試對話模型。而後續於2018年7月KV MemNN、2020年1月BST Poly-encoder、2020年5月Blender，而最後於2021年5月推出ACCENTOR。ACCENTOR旨在使系統之虛擬對話更具吸引力和互動性，提出了一種人類與AI協作數據收集方法，用於生成不同的chit-chat回應，以最少的註釋工作來增強面向任務的對話。然後選自兩個流行的面向任務的數據集:Schema-Guided Dialogue

和 MultiWOZ 2.1的對話呈現新的基於chit-chat的註釋並演示。整體概念圖如下:



後續將進行:

- (a) 候選對話生成: chit-chat資料訓練及預測
- (b) 候選對話篩選: 判斷chit-chat好壞並評估好的chit chat要放在開頭或結尾(Arranger)
- (c) 人類篩選分類: 最後執行實際人類評估分析

## 2. 方法及實驗

### A. DST(對話狀態追蹤):

我們將對話狀態追蹤之任務分成兩個子任務:文本分類(text classification)和問答(question answering)。

text classification方面，將訓練資料整理成service+slot+dialogue的形式，送入BERT text classification model當中，讓model對每一個可能的slot產生0/ 1的label。  
question answering部分，將text classification label為 1的部分擷取出來，形成service+slot+dialogue形式，送入BERT question answering model 來抓出slot value。

#### 1. text classification

輸入sentence 1 和sentence2，sentence 1 形式為 " {service} {slot}: {slot description}"，例如: " restaurant restaurant-pricerange: price budget for the restaurant"。sentence2 為人與機器人的整段對話，例如 " Hi, I'm looking for a hotel to stay in that includes free wifi. I'm looking to stay in a hotel, not a guesthouse..."。模型的輸出為0、1。0代表此slot不需追蹤，1代表此slot需要追蹤，送入QA model。

資料集使用助教所提供的dstc8 + multiWOZ，在同一段對話當中有許多可能的

services，將不同的service、不同slot、dialog組合再一起，最後生成test data 236606筆，validation data 36093筆。

模型部分，使用transformer package當中的bert-base-uncased，tokenozer也使用bert-base-uncased，learning rate=2e-5，batch size=8，epoch=3，gradient accumulation steps=8，padding=max length(512)，weight decay=0.01

test部分，最終產生之答案為 id-service-slot，如下圖所示

```
[ "PMUL0320-restaurant-restaurant-pricerange", "PMUL0320-restaurant-restaurant-area",  
  "PMUL0320-restaurant-restaurant-food", "PMUL0320-restaurant-restaurant-name",  
  "PMUL0320-restaurant-restaurant-bookday", "PMUL0320-taxi-taxi-leaveat", "PMUL0320-taxi-taxi-destination",  
  "PMUL0320-taxi-taxi-departure", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-pricerange", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-type",  
  "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-parking", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-bookday", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-bookpeople",  
  "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-bookstay", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-internet", "PMUL0320-hotel-hotel-name",  
  "MUL2155-train-train-arriveby", "MUL2155-train-train-departure", "MUL2155-train-train-day",  
  "MUL2155-train-train-destination", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-type", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-bookday",  
  "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-bookpeople", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-bookstay", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-stars",  
  "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-internet", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-name", "MUL2155-hotel-hotel-area",  
  "PMUL0815-restaurant-restaurant-pricerange", "PMUL0815-restaurant-restaurant-food",  
  "PMUL0815-restaurant-restaurant-name", "PMUL0815-train-train-departure", "PMUL0815-train-train-day",  
  "PMUL0815-train-train-bookpeople", "PMUL0815-train-train-leaveat", "PMUL0815-train-train-destination",  
  "PMUL3263-restaurant-restaurant-name", "PMUL3263-restaurant-restaurant-bookday",  
  "PMUL3263-restaurant-restaurant-bookpeople", "PMUL3263-restaurant-restaurant-booktime",  
  "PMUL3263-train-train-arriveby", "PMUL3263-train-train-departure", "PMUL3263-train-train-day",  
  "PMUL3263-train-train-bookpeople", "PMUL3263-train-train-destination", "SNG0423-train-train-arriveby",  
  "SNG0423-train-train-departure", "SNG0423-train-train-day", "SNG0423-train-train-bookpeople",
```

## 2. question answering

利用前段所產生之label，sentence 1 形式依舊為“ {service} {slot}: {slot description}”，sentence 2 為整段對話，送入BERT qa model當中，讓model去dialogue當中尋找相對應的slot value。將answer span 的開始結束位置取出，再將tokenize後的context index list取出，檢查answer index 在context index list中的位置，若是不同的話則更新answer index 的值。

模型部分，使用bert-base-uncased，tokenozer也使用bert-base-uncased。我們發現對話的最常長度為760個單字，因此將max length設置為760以確保不要錯過任何一個訊息，又不至於生成過多的zero factor浪費記憶體空間。利用QA model輸出的start/ end logit，將此兩參數加總輸出，取出相加分數最高的組合作為輸出。訓練集使用126566筆資料進行訓練，epoch=5，Gradient Accumulation steps=16，batch size=2，optimizer=Adam，learning rate=5e-5，vocab size=21128，hidden size=768，hidden layer=12。使用單張2070 ti顯示卡進行運算。訓練時間約5-10小時

## B. NLG(自然對話生成):

### Chit-chat模型訓練:

#### 1. 資料訓練:

訓練資料為過去好的chit-chat候選資料，首先在input資料進Parlai之前，要先做格式整理，其中一筆資料形式如下：

- **text:**
  - user: Can you help me check the weather for March 1st for Campbell?
  - system: Sure. There will be a 4 percent change of rain with an average temperature of 91 degrees Fahrenheit.
  - user: OK. Can you find some Electropop songs? I'd like some Halsey.
- **labels:**
  - Halsey is a great artist.

模型為Tutorial Transformer Generator，其為一小型transformer(90M個參數)之預訓練模型

然後參考自parlai train model 的指令([https://parl.ai/docs/cli\\_usage.html#train-model](https://parl.ai/docs/cli_usage.html#train-model))，輸入：

```
parlai train_model -t fromfile:parlaiformat --fromfile_datapath ./parlai --fromfile-  
datatype-extension true -m transformer/generator --init-model  
zoo:tutorial_transformer_generator/model --dict-file  
zoo:tutorial_transformer_generator/model.dict
```

超參數為：

```
--embedding-size 512  
--n-layers 8  
--ffn-size 2048  
--dropout 0.1 (dropout = 0.1)  
--n-heads 16  
--learn-positional-embeddings True  
--n-positions 512  
--variant xlm  
--activation gelu  
--skip-generation True  
--fp16 True  
--text-truncate 512  
--label-truncate 128
```

```
--dict-tokenizer bpe
--dict-lower True
-lr 1e-06 (learning rate = 10^-6)
--optimizer adamax (optimizer = adamax)
--lr-scheduler reduceonplateau
--gradient-clip 0.1
-veps 0.25
--betas 0.9,0.999
--update-freq 1
--attention-dropout 0.0
--relu-dropout 0.0
--skip-generation True
-vp 15
-stim 60
-vme 20000
-bs 16
-vmt ppl
-vmm min
```

## 2. 資料預測:

然後參考自parlai train model 的指令

([https://parl.ai/docs/cli\\_usage.html?fbclid=IwAR1b99y5nrDn2s9trSlidbq2QPPp3s3dy7NrK2HlQD2cZY6yfFG0\\_Sd\\_Ws#interactive](https://parl.ai/docs/cli_usage.html?fbclid=IwAR1b99y5nrDn2s9trSlidbq2QPPp3s3dy7NrK2HlQD2cZY6yfFG0_Sd_Ws#interactive))

在parlai中預測的工具包稱為interactive

輸入: `parlai interactive -mf ./train_90M < lm.input.test.cc.txt > lm.output.test.cc.txt`

資料形式為一次輸入三筆user與system之間交互之對話紀錄且以遞增形式呈現，而經過interactive預測後會產生對應輸入三筆接連發生的回應，表示如下:

輸入:

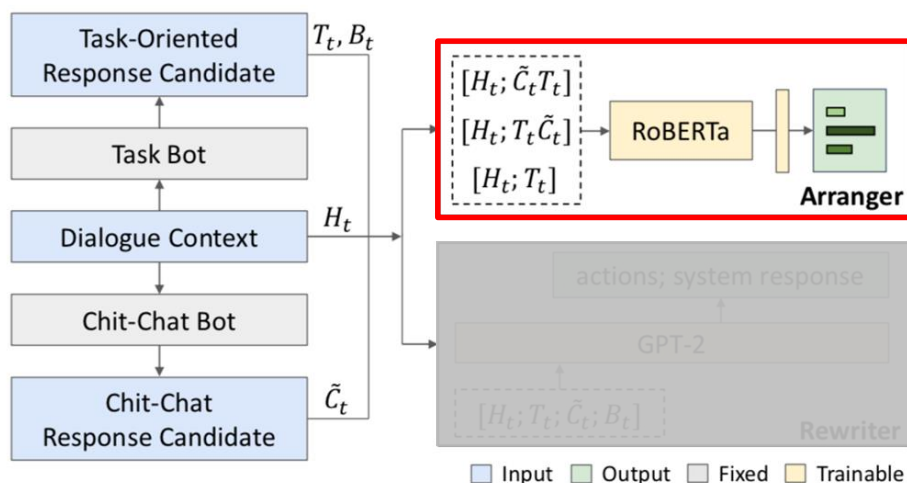
- user: I need some bus tickets. '[DONE]'
- user: I need some bus tickets. system: Sure, i can help you. Where are you departing from? user: San Diego on the 8th of this month. '[DONE]'
- user: I need some bus tickets. system: Sure, i can help you. Where are you departing from? user: San Diego on the 8th of this month. system: ok, how many tickets and where are you traveling too? What time would you like to depart? user: I need one ticket to Anaheim and if I could leave at 4:15 pm would be great. '[DONE]'

輸出:

- you should check it out .
- that ' s a good price .
- thank you .

## 1. Arranger評估：

概念圖(紅框處):



該模型在不被干預的情況下安排了現成的對話模型和現成的chit-chat模型的輸出。該模型將 (i) 對話歷史  $H_t$ ，(ii) 基於  $H_t$  的chit-chat模型生成的chit-chat response  $C_t$  作為輸入，以及 (iii)基於 $H_t$ 的面向任務的對話模型生成的task-oriented的response  $T_t$ 。而模型輸入為 $H_t$ 及 $C_t$   $T_t$ ， $H_t$ 及 $T_t$   $C_t$ ，還有 $H_t$ 及獨立的 $T_t$ 具體來說，該模型通過 RoBERTa 對  $H_t$  和這三個response中的每一個的串聯進行編碼，並將得到的表示通過線性加 softmax 層進行選擇。為了訓練模型，我們通過將 ACCENTOR-SGD 訓練集中的turn  $t$  的每個chit-chat候選者視為  $C_t$  並將ground-truth task-oriented response 視為  $T_t$  並基於以下條件

設置目標選擇來形成訓練實例候選的label ( 即好/壞 ) 和位置 ( 即response的開始/結束 ) 。

利用ACCENTOR中的arrenger工具包針對parlai interactive output data的chit chat 預測出三個機率值，分別為0, 1, 2，0: bad、1: good, beginning、2: good, end。模型為RoBERTa，重要超參數:learning rate= $2 \times 10^{-5}$ , epoch=3, batch size=24, max length=512，以下展示輸入資料及輸出資料:

輸入:

- context:
  - user: I need some bus tickets. system: Sure, i can help you. Where are you departing from? user: San Diego on the 8th of this month. system: ok, how many tickets and where are you traveling too? What time would you like to depart? user: I need one ticket to Anaheim and if I could leave at 4:15 pm would be great. system: Sure, please confirm leaving Anaheim on March 8th at 4:15 pm for 1 economy ticket for San Diego departure. Is this right? user: Yes, What station would I arrive at? What station am I leaving from? system: I apologize I am unable to book your request. Can we try an different request? user: could you look up tickets to Vegas departing at 5 pm from Fresno? system: Sure, please confirm: 1 economy ticket for Las Vegas departing Fresno at 5 pm on March 8th. Is that right? user: yes it is. system: I apologize i am unable to book that ticket, may I suggest the 5:30 pm bus, for \$43? user: Yes, please book it.
- gt:
  - Your bus ticket is confirmed.
- chit chat:
  - Thank you
- labels: 0

輸出:

```
chit chat: you should check it out .
weights: [0.30349916, -2.9090686, -5.8177714]
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chit chat: that ' s a good price .
weights: [0.6920911, -0.55344236, -6.267423]
-----
chit chat: thank you .
weights: [0.17695992, -1.5541675, -6.287538]
-----
chit chat: i can recommend some places .
weights: [-2.2216084, -4.5952363, -6.4438972]
-----
chit chat: it is a great place to eat .
weights: [0.0008546198, -1.5127692, -6.137079]
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```

由上圖所示，據輸出之權重之最大值去判定是0、1或是2，如第一筆[0.30349916, -2.9090686, -5.8177714]中最大的值為0.30349916，就判定為0，是一不好的chit-chat。全部預測資料中，判斷為0: bad、1: good, beginning、2: good, end的個數為，0:10795

個、1:3922個、2:1561個。最後將資料整理為作業要求的形式如下:

整理:

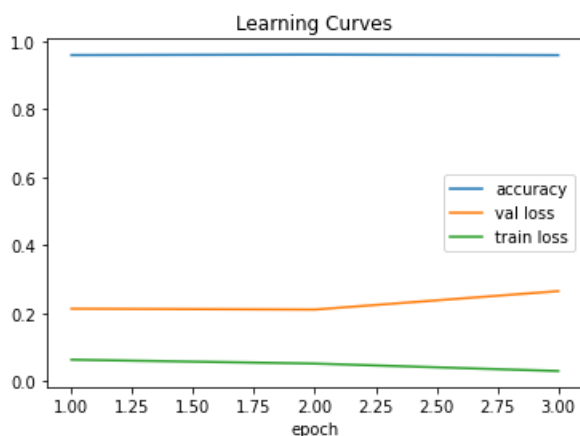
```
'PMUL0320': {1: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
3: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
5: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
7: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
9: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
11: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
13: {'start': '', 'end': 'what do you think?', 'mod': ''},
15: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
17: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
19: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
21: {'start': 'you are very welcome .', 'end': '', 'mod': ''}},
'MUL2155': {1: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
3: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
5: {'start': '', 'end': 'do you have any other questions?', 'mod': ''},
7: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
9: {'start': '', 'end': '', 'mod': ''},
11: {'start': '',
      'end': 'do you think that would be a good place to stay?',
      'mod': ''},
```

上圖為最後繳交給助教之格式，呈現不同對話群組中chit-chat及位置資訊。

### 3. 結論

A. DST:

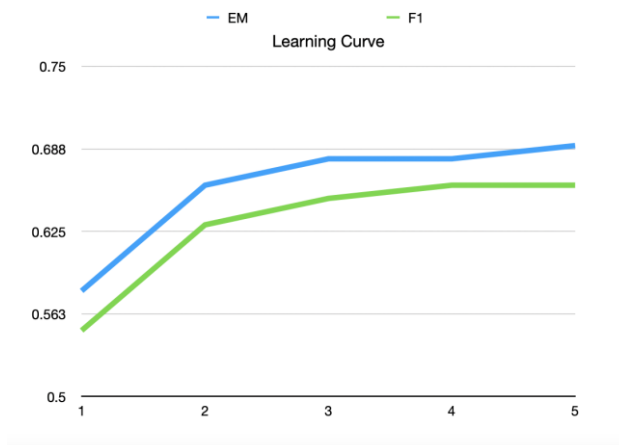
1. text classification:



accuracy部分採用total accuracy，即為: (正確預測的slot)/(所有的slot)，此部分準確率為95~96%。val loss從0.212些微上升到0.264，train loss則由0.063下降到0.029。



## 2.question answering



評分的方式使用exact match 和 f1 score。可以看到隨著epoch增加，EM和F1都隨之增加，在第三個epoch後開始飽和，最終EM=0.691，F1=0.652

## B. NLG:

Chit-chat:

```
11:56:16 | time:51476s total_exs:1282400 total_steps:80150 epochs:25.27
      clen clip ctpb ctps ctrunc ctruncen exps exs fp16_loss_scalar gnrm gpu_mem llen loss lr ltpb \
      186.5 1 2977 6435 .01125 .4025 34.58 800 4096 10.41 .1139 8.836 .8394 1e-06 141.4 \
      ltps ltrunc ltruncen ppl token_acc token_em total_train_updates tpb tps ups
      305.6 0 0 2.315 .7531 .1263 80150 3119 6741 2.162

11:56:23 | saving model checkpoint: ./train_90M.checkpoint
11:56:46 | time:51507s total_exs:1283104 total_steps:80194 epochs:25.28
      clen clip ctpb ctps ctrunc ctruncen exps exs fp16_loss_scalar gnrm gpu_mem llen loss lr ltpb \
      194.3 1 3102 4460 .007102 .4844 23.01 704 4096 10.67 .1165 8.31 .8539 1e-06 133 \
      ltps ltrunc ltruncen ppl token_acc token_em total_train_updates tpb tps ups
      191.2 0 0 2.349 .7542 .1307 80194 3235 4651 1.438

11:56:46 | running eval: valid
11:57:32 | eval completed in 46.21s
11:57:32 | valid:
      clen ctpb ctps ctrunc ctruncen exps exs gpu_mem llen loss lr ltpb ltps ltrunc ltruncen ppl \
      185.5 2947 25412 .01415 1.144 137.8 6360 .02595 8.627 .8901 1e-06 137.9 1189 0 0 2.435 \
      token_acc token_em total_train_updates tpb tps
      .7493 .1514 80194 3085 26601

11:57:32 | saving model checkpoint: ./train_90M.checkpoint
11:57:43 | new best ppl: 2.435 (previous best was 2.438)
11:57:43 | saving best valid model: ./train_90M
11:57:52 | saving model checkpoint: ./train_90M.checkpoint
11:58:25 | time:51606s total_exs:1283904 total_steps:80244 epochs:25.30
      clen clip ctpb ctps ctrunc ctruncen exps exs fp16_loss_scalar gnrm gpu_mem llen loss lr ltpb \
      187.4 1 2981 6387 .01375 1.144 34.28 800 4096 10.5 .1165 8.876 .8459 1e-06 142 \
      ltps ltrunc ltruncen ppl token_acc token_em total_train_updates tpb tps ups
      304.3 0 0 2.33 .7510 .1437 80244 3123 6691 2.144
```

圖中顯示最後一個epoch跑出的結果，token accuracy到了0.7510

Arranger:

最終RoBERTa模型的結果為:

train\_acc = 0.7189145620634068

train\_loss = 0.5734808349732271

eval\_acc = 0.6631650079862391

eval\_loss = 0.6175413059253319

#### 4. 工作分配

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口頭報告: 莊詠竣、吳承哲

投影片: 賴怡穎、吳承哲