

BERT vs Traditional NLP Approaches

Traditional: Sequential Processing



Processes left-to-right only

Result: "not bad" = negative ❌

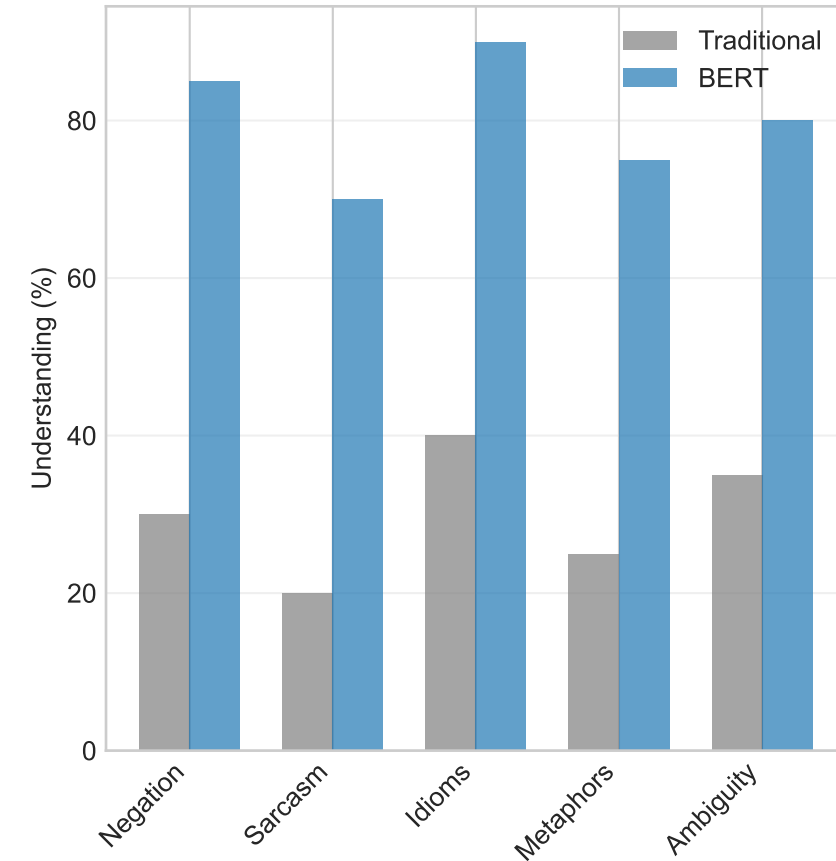
BERT: Bidirectional Processing



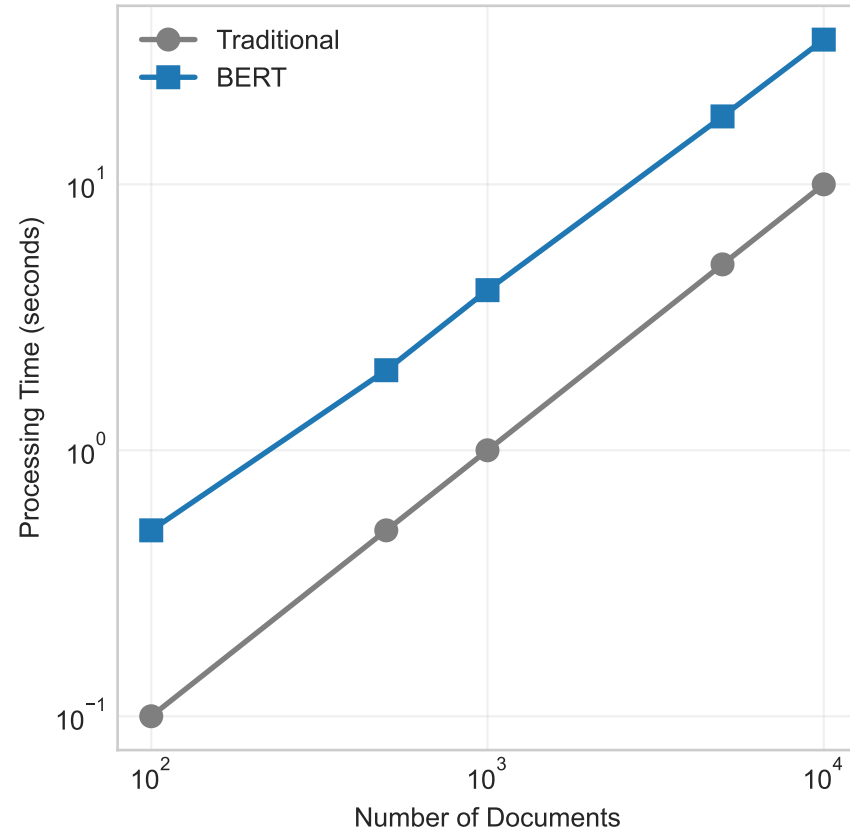
Sees full context simultaneously

Result: "not bad" = positive ✅

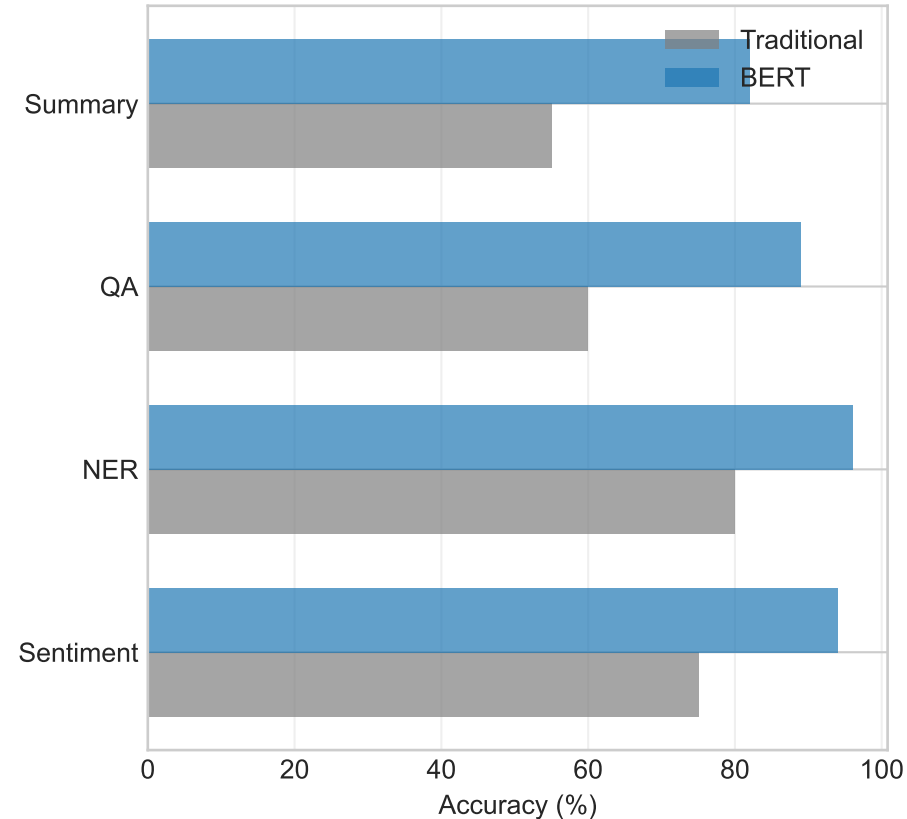
Context Understanding Comparison



Processing Speed Comparison



Performance by NLP Task



Resource Requirements

| Metric | Traditional | BERT |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| Model Size | 10 MB | 440 MB |
| Memory | < 1 GB | 4-8 GB |
| Training Data | Small OK | Large required |
| Fine-tuning | Not needed | Recommended |
| Languages | One | Multiple |