

For each method, all the hyper-parameter tuning is done using the validation data. The hyper-parameters values for the baselines and proposed methods are as follows.

Traditional machine learning hyper-parameters:

- For SVM, soft margin (C) is set to 1.0 and class imbalance correction is applied.
- For Random Forest, the number of estimators is 100.
- For logistic regression, class imbalance correction is applied.
- The maximum number of features used are 10000, and character word-ngram range is (1,2).

Tuned hyper-parameter values for DL baselines

Approach	LSTM dim.	Attention dim.	CNN Filters
biLSTM	300	N.A.	N.A.
biLSTM-Attention	300	600	N.A.
Hierarchical-biLSTM-Attention	200	400	N.A.
BERT-biLSTM-Attention	300	600	N.A.
USE-biLSTM-Attention	300	600	N.A.
CNN-biLSTM-Attention	300	500	100
CNN-Kim	0	0	150
C-biLSTM	300	0	N.A.

Tuned hyper-parameter values for semi supervised baselines

Approach	Threshold (T)	LSTM dim.	Attention dim.
BERT-t-biLSTM-Attention	N.A.	300	600
Self-training	0.8	200	300
(Parikh et al., 2019)	N.A.	200	400

Tuned hyper-parameter values for proposed objective functions

Approach	Threshold (t)	Beta	LSTM dim.	Attention dim.
L-unc	N.A.	0.01	200	300
L-cor with t=0	0.0	0.01	200	400
L-cor	0.05	0.05	100	200
L-cor with t=1	1.0	0.05	200	400

Here, Beta is the loss weight with which each proposed label co-occurrence-based loss is multiplied (each Beta-scaled proposed loss is added to extended binary cross-entropy to form the corresponding overall loss).

Tuned hyper-parameter values for proposed multi-task methods with EBCEL-cor

Approach	Topic-p loss weight	CI-pred loss weight	S-det loss weight	Sarc-det loss weight	E-pred loss weight	Beta	LSTM dim.	Attention dim.
Topic-p	0.1	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.03	300	400
CI-pred	N.A.	0.3	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.05	200	300
Topic-p, CI-pred	0.1	0.3	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.05	100	100
S-det	N.A.	N.A.	0.3	N.A.	N.A.	0.05	300	600
S-det, Topic-p	0.3	N.A.	0.3	N.A.	N.A.	0.03	300	500
S-det, CI-pred	N.A.	0.1	0.3	N.A.	N.A.	0.04	300	400
S-det, Topic-p, CI-pred	0.1	0.1	0.1	N.A.	N.A.	0.03	200	500
Sarc-det	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.3	N.A.	0.07	200	300
E-pred	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.1	0.05	200	300
S-det, Sarc-det	N.A.	N.A.	0.3	0.1	N.A.	0.04	200	300
Sarc-det, E-pred	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	0.1	0.1	0.05	300	400
S-det, E-pred	N.A.	N.A.	0.3	N.A.	0.3	0.07	200	400
S-det, Sarc-det, E-pred	N.A.	N.A.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.03	300	500
S-det, Sarc-det, E-pred, Topic-p, CI-pred	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.05	300	500

The loss weight for sexism classification is set to 1.0. For k-means (CI-pred), the tune hyperparameter value for the number of clusters k is 7.

Tuned hyper-parameter values for our best multi-task method

Approach	Topic-p loss weight	CI-pred loss weight	S-det loss weight	Sarc-det loss weight	E-pred loss weight	Beta	LSTM dim.	Attention dim.
S-det, Sarc-det, E-pred, Topic-p, CI-pred with WLTL	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.05	300	600