

SCSE20113 - Machine Reading Comprehension for **Question Answering**

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Problem Statement

Build a question answering system which can help student to answer questions regarding GEM explorer program.

This will allow students to quickly query and efficiently get information without needing to read through various websites.

The information includes application deadlines, eligibility, cost, and other program specific details

1) Query Processing

Classifies questions according to the context. This module identifies the context and focus, classifies the type of question, and sets the answer type's expectations.

3) **Document Processing**

Filter the relevant paragraphs from the document

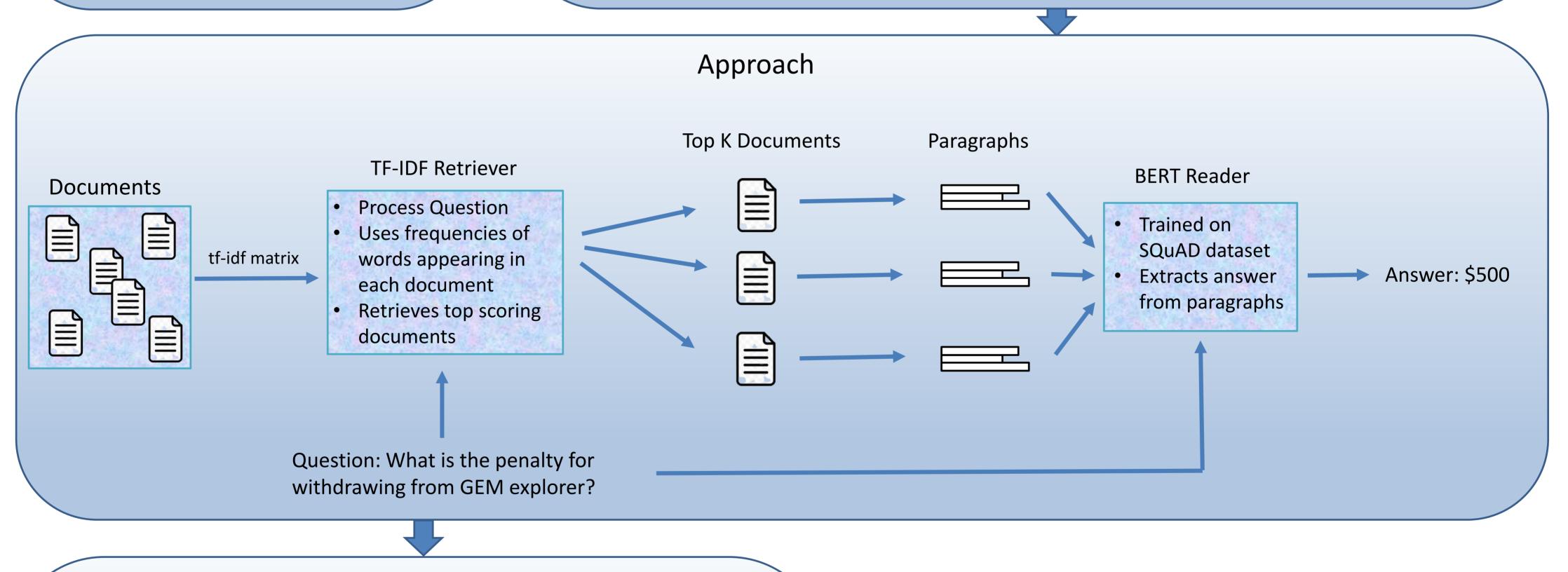
Pipeline

2) Document Retrieval

Information retrieval module that focuses on gathering relevant documents.

4) Answer Extraction

Parse through to obtain an accurate and appropriate answer.



Demo Questions

What is the estimated cost to go America via GEM explorer?





The estimated cost is \$15,000 onwards

> Can I apply for exchange as a final year student?



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Students are not allowed to be on exchange in their final year final semester to ensure timely completion of their degrees.