

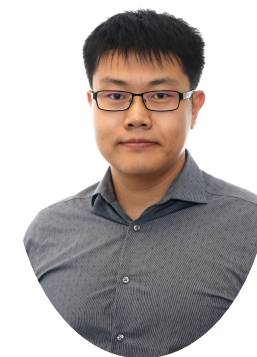
Stacked Co-Attention for VisDial1.0



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VQA □ Visual Dialog



VQA

Q: How many people
on wheelchairs ?

A: Two

Q: How many wheelchairs ?

A: One

Visual Dialog

Q: How many people are on
wheelchairs ?

A: Two

Q: What are **their** genders ?

A: One male and one female

Q: Which one is holding a
racket ?

A: The woman

Co-reference

Longer
free-form
answers

VisDial Dataset v1.0

Training set :

- 1,23,287 images from COCO
- 1 dialog / image
- 10 rounds of question-answers / dialog

Validation set :

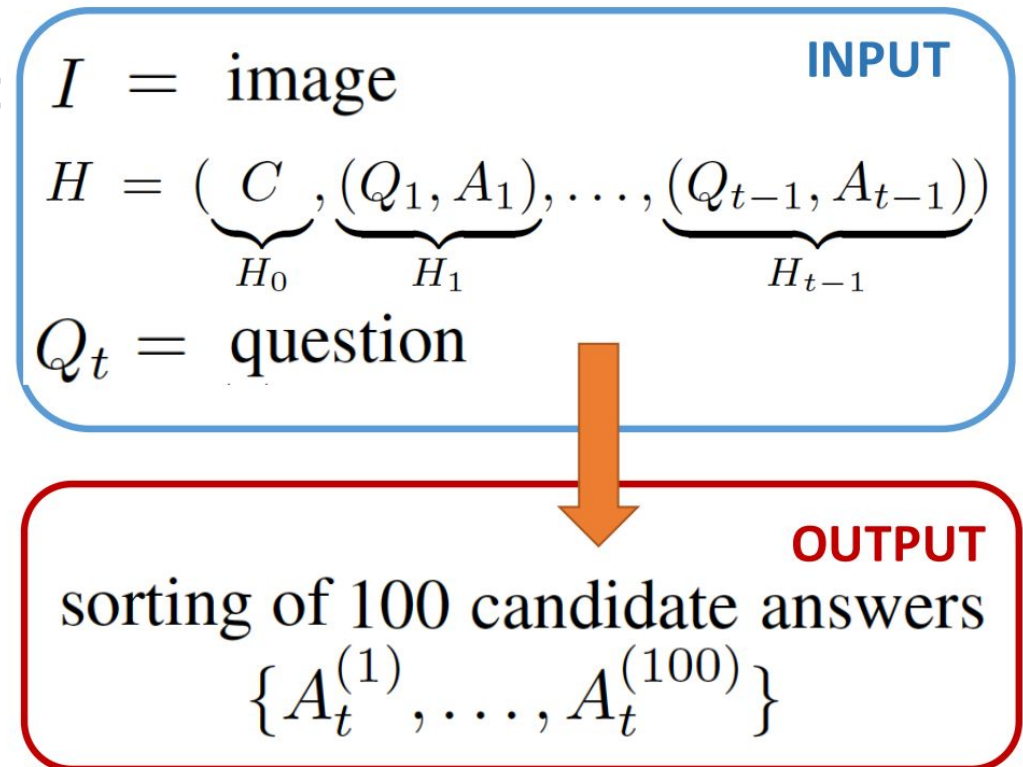
- 2,000 images from Flickr
- 1 dialog / image
- 10 rounds of question-answers / dialog

Test set :

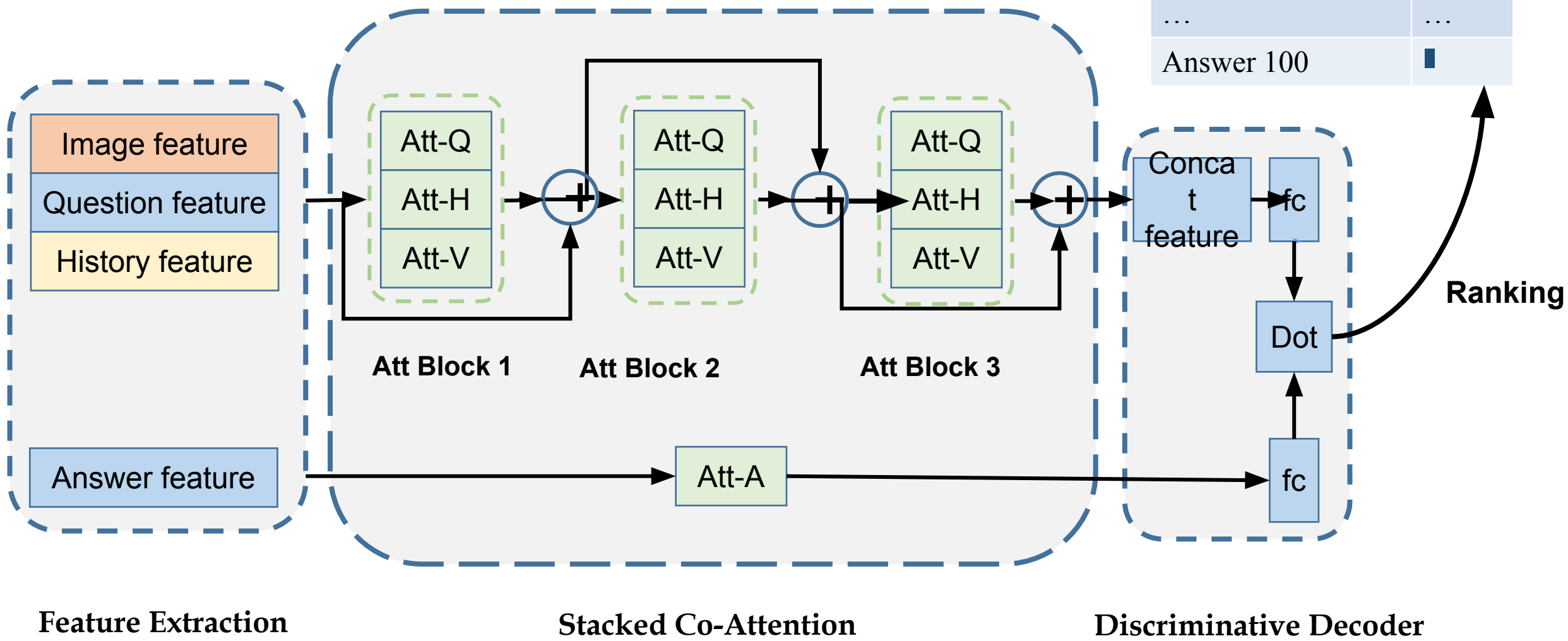
- 8,000 images from Flickr
- given 'n' rounds / dialog ('n' anywhere in 1 to 10)
- 1 follow-up question + 100 candidate answers

Evaluation Protocol

- Evaluate individual responses independently at each round ($t = 1, 2, \dots, 10$) in a retrieval or multiple-choice setup
- The model is evaluated on retrieval metrics:
 - rank of human response
 - recall@k, i.e. existence of the human response in top-k ranked responses
 - mean reciprocal rank (MRR) of the human response
 - **NDCG (new)**
- Candidate Answers: 1 ground-truth, answers to 50 similar questions, 30 most popular answers, 19 random answers. (1+50+30+19=100)

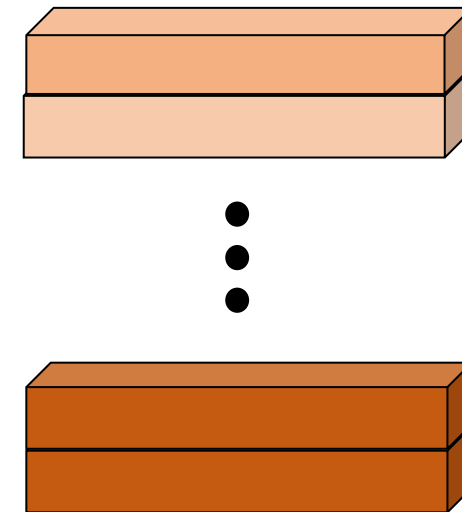
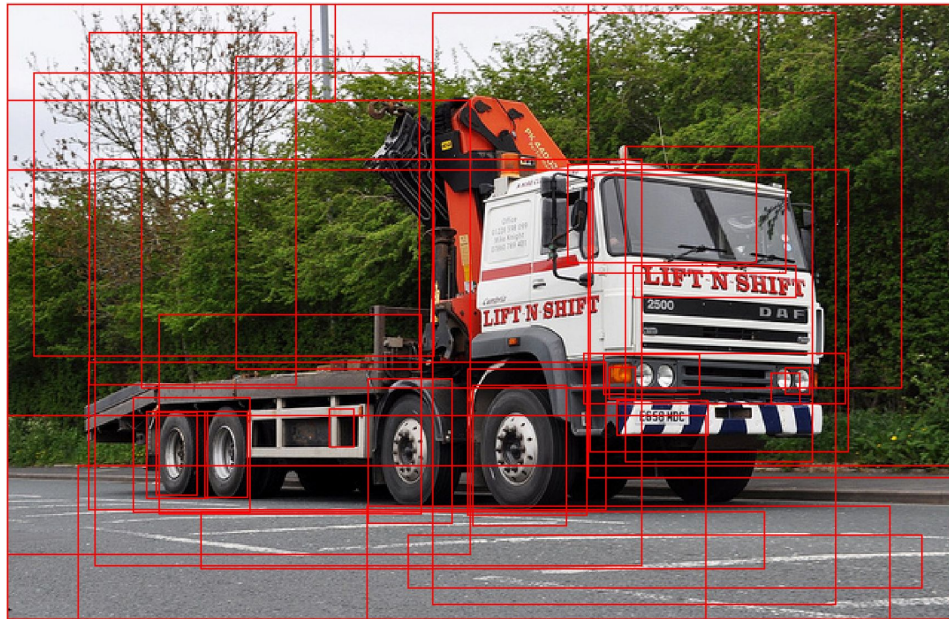


Our Model



Feature Extraction

- Image feature : Bottom-Up Attention Model [Anderson et al. 2018]

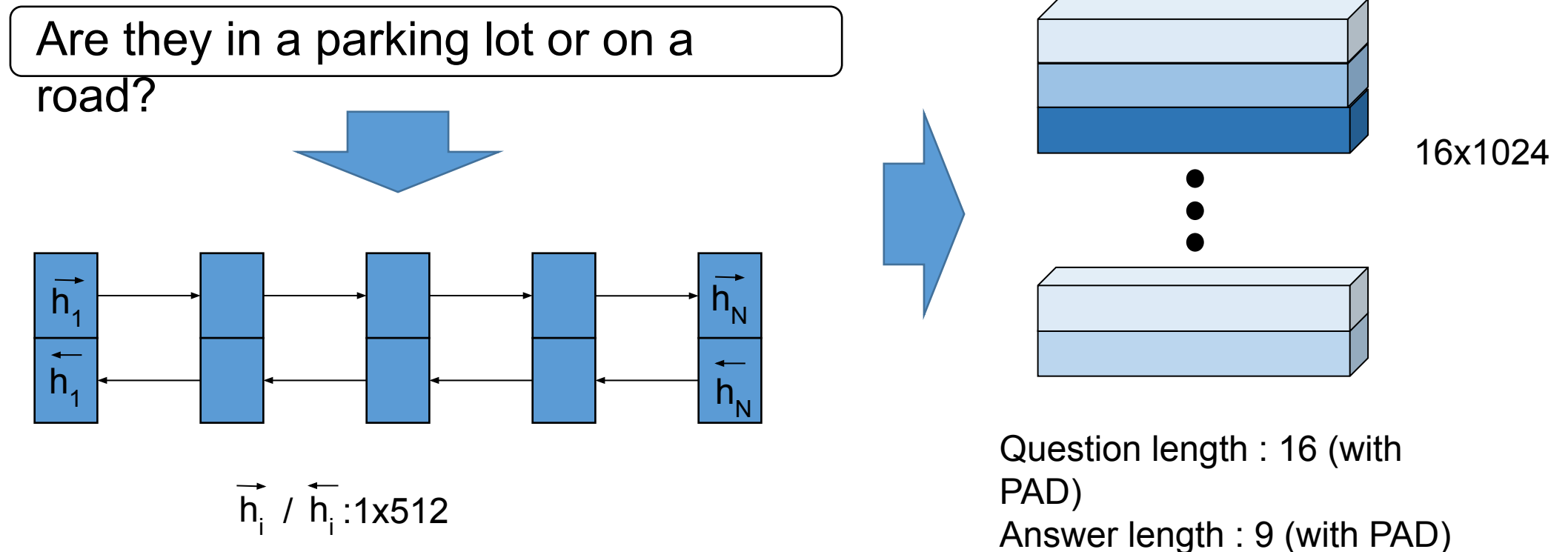


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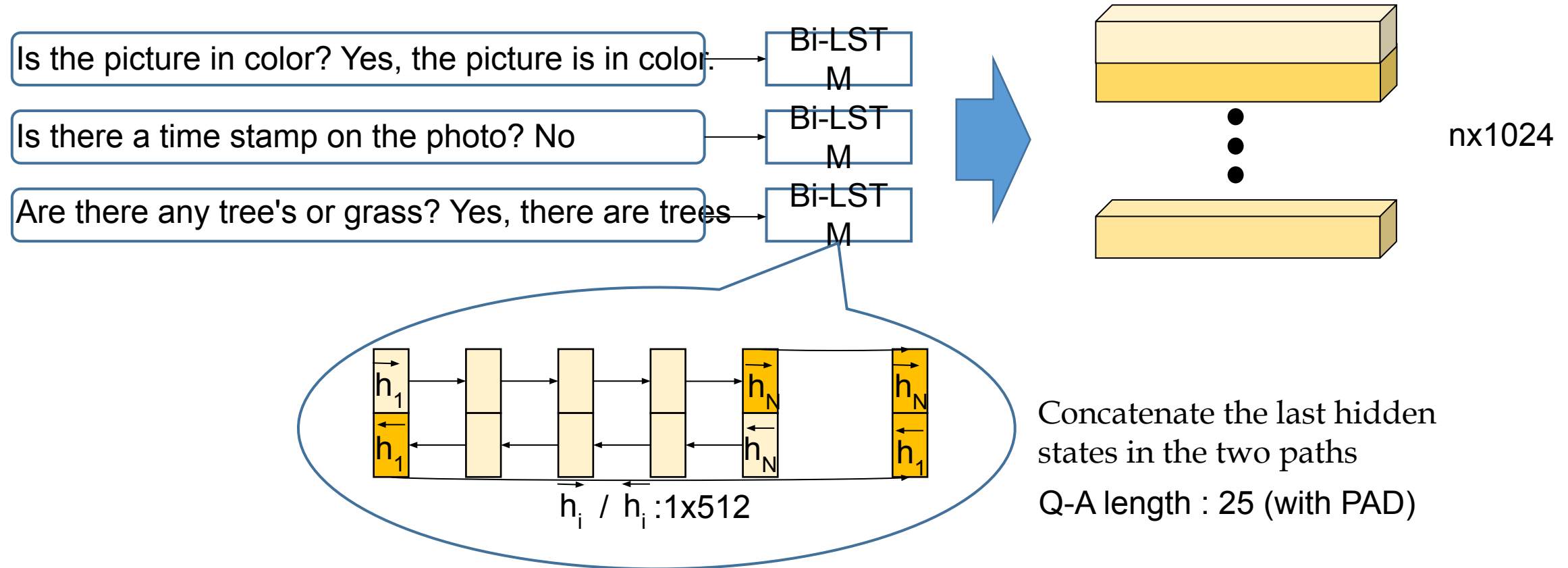
Feature Extraction

- Question feature/Answer feature :

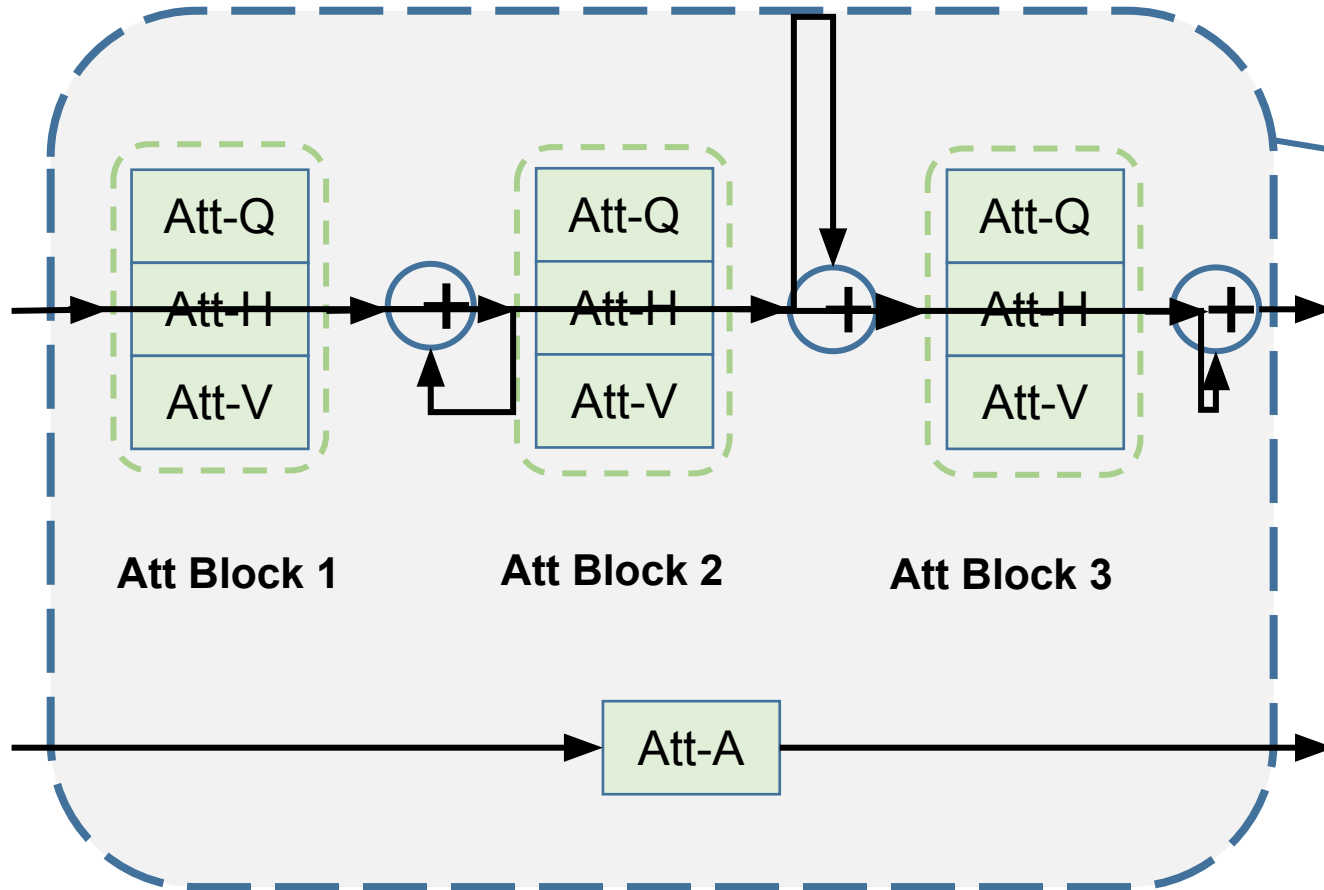


Feature Extraction

- History feature:



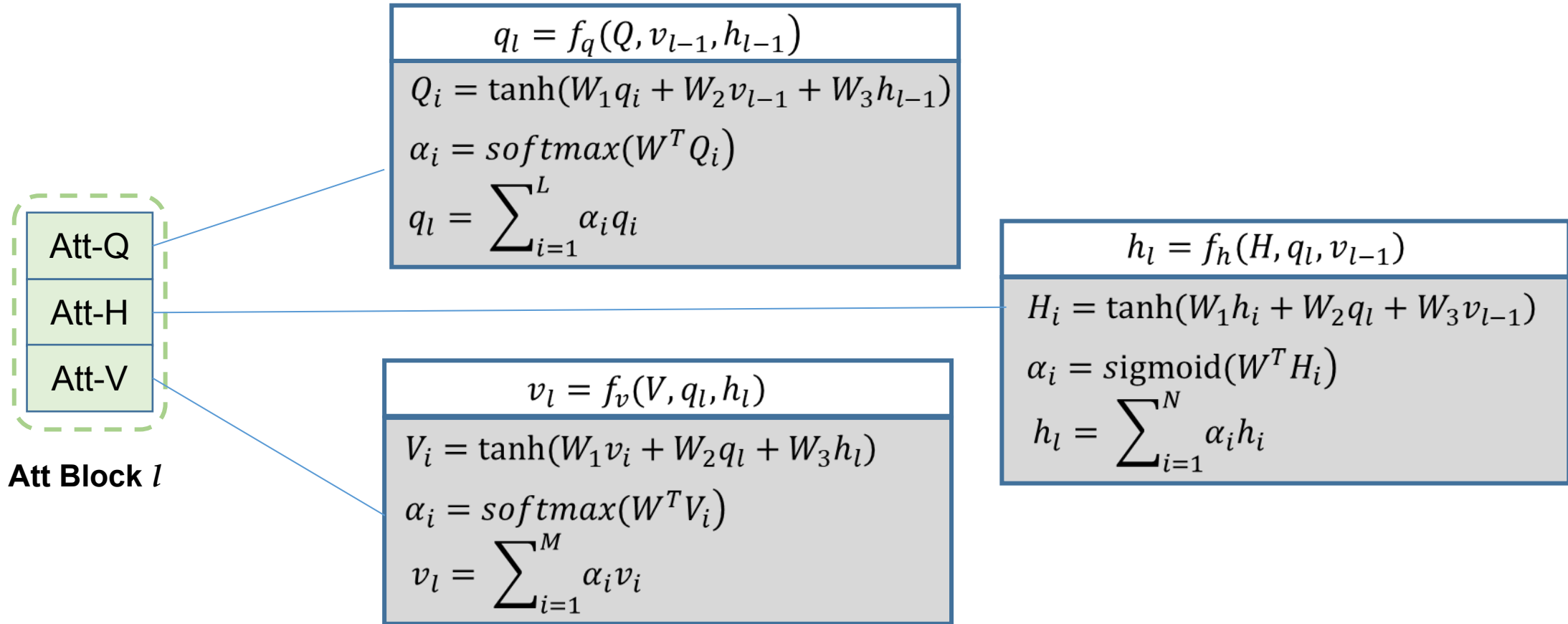
Stacked Co-Attention



Why stacked? Multiple reasoning steps.

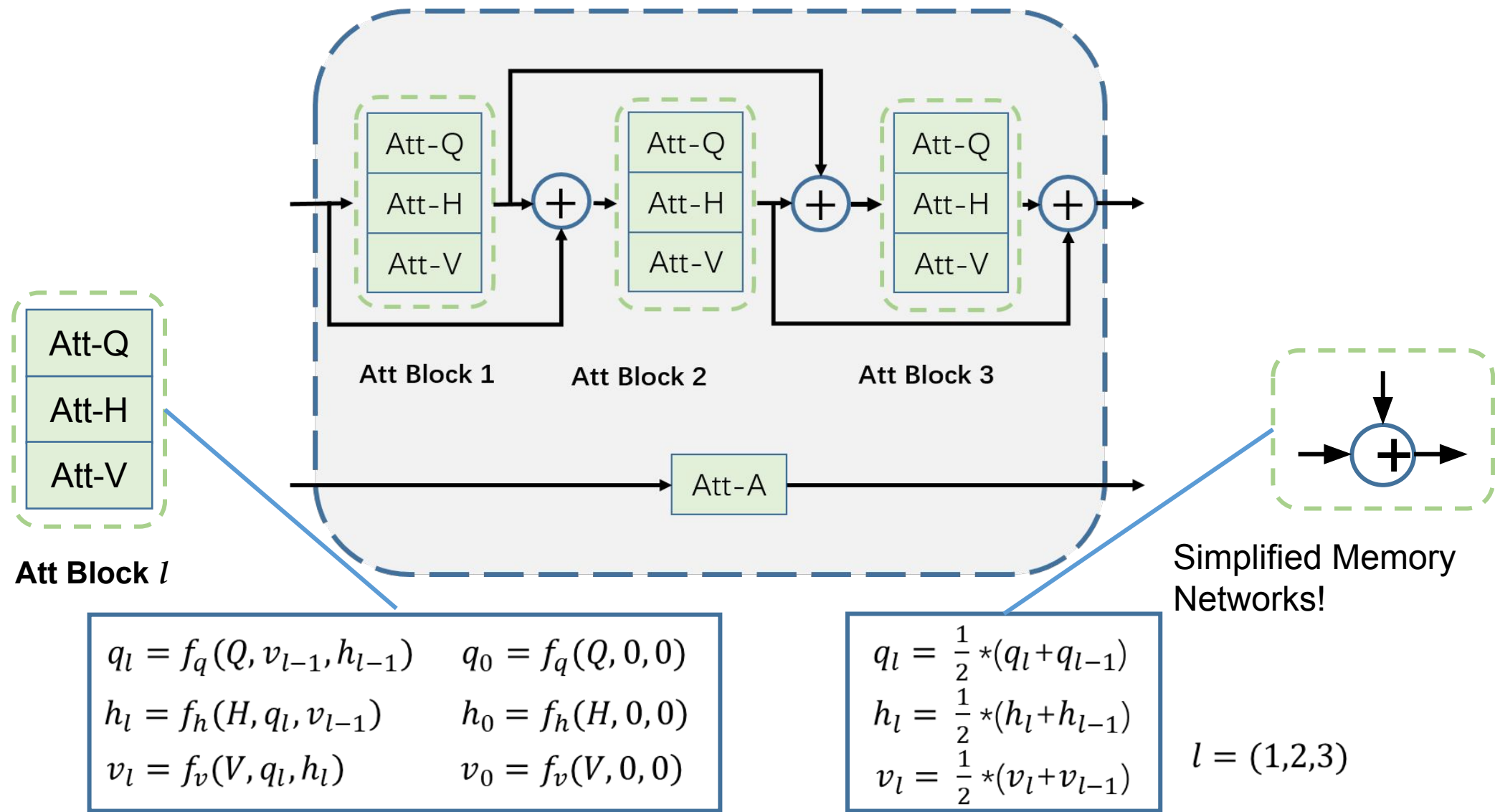
- Q: “what color is A in B?”
- H: co-reference A & B
- V: re-attention A & B

Stacked Co-Attention

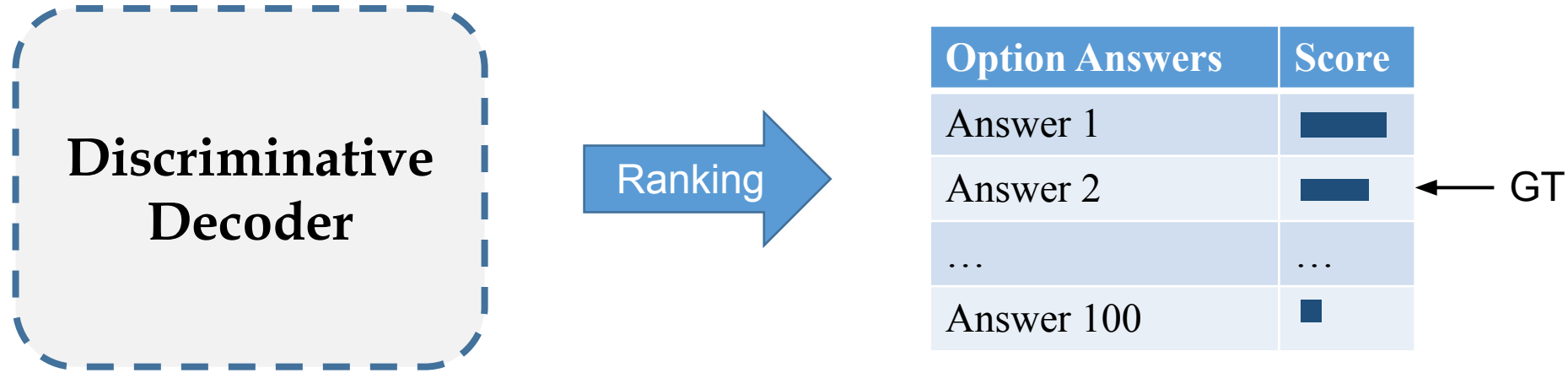


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Training Loss



$$\text{Loss} = \log(1 + \sum_{i=1}^N \exp(\text{score}_i^- - \text{score}^{gt}))$$

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Training Details

- **GPU** : 1 NVIDIA GTX 1080Ti
- **Time** : ~2300 seconds/epoch, 25epoch
- **Optimizer** : Adam
- **Learning Rate** : $5 * 10^{-4}$ (1~20 epoch), $2.5 * 10^{-4}$ (20~ epoch)
- **Dropout (keep)**: **0.5** for each full-connected layer in discriminative decoder;
- **0.5** for word embedding and in Bi-LSTM
- **0.7** for softmax/sigmoid in each Att Block
- Use **Weight Normalization** after embedding the input features in Att Blocks
- **Without** pretrained weight (word2vec, glove) for word embedding
- Using **Faster RCNN (ResNet 101)** pretrained on **COCO** for extracting image features

Results on VisDial0.9val

	MRR	R@1	R@5	R@10	Mean
Lu et al. [1]	62.22	48.48	78.75	87.59	4.81
Wu et al. [2]	63.98	50.29	80.71	88.81	4.47
USTC-YTH	64.03	50.27	80.85	88.96	4.43

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Results on VisDial1.0val (our implementation)

	MRR	R@1	R@5	R@10	Mean
Lu et al. [1]	61.94	48.45	78.70	88.27	4.63
Wu et al. [2]	62.77	49.38	78.99	88.49	4.56
USTC-YTH	63.05	49.62	79.60	88.83	4.47

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Ablative Results on VisDial1.0val

	MRR	R@1	R@5	R@10	Mean
w/o sigmoid	62.79	49.38	79.12	88.56	4.53
Block 1	62.22	48.66	78.93	88.12	4.61
Block 1,2	62.88	49.42	79.31	88.66	4.49
Block 1,2,3	63.05	49.62	79.60	88.83	4.47

Results on VisDial1.0test-std

Rank ◆	Participant Team ◆	NDCG (x 100) ◆	MRR (x 100) ◆	R@1 ◆	R@5 ◆	R@10 ◆	Mean ◆
1	DL-61	57.88	63.42	49.30	80.77	90.68	3.97
2	USTC-YTH	56.47	61.44	47.65	78.13	87.88	4.65
3	MS Conversational AI	55.35	63.27	49.53	80.40	89.60	4.15
4	Technion	54.46	67.25	53.40	85.28	92.70	3.55



Q :

Are	they	in	a	parking	lot	or	on	a	road
0.174	0.165	0.161	0.168	0.205	0.069	0.025	0.012	0.002	0.001

Q : Are **they** in a parking lot or on a road?

(Round 10)

- Caption : Trailer tractor truck in parking lot with natural greenery
- Round 1: Does it look like the truck is picking up or delivering? It's just sitting in a parking lot
- Round 2: What color is the truck? The truck is orange, black, and white
- Round 3: Is the driver of the truck nearby? I can't see anyone in the picture
- Round 4: Is the picture in color? Yes, the picture is in color
- Round 5: Is there a time stamp on the photo? No
- Round 6: Can you tell about what time of day it is? It is maybe early morning
- Round 7: Are they parked near a store? No
- Round 8: Are there any tree's or grass? Yes, there are trees
- Round 9: Are there any animals around? No
- **GT : In a parking lot Prediction : In a parking lot**

0.352
0.400
0.309
0.610
0.221
0.151
0.335
0.126
0.202
0.070

Q : Are they in a parking lot or on a road?

GT :

In a parking lot

Prediction :

In a parking lot





Q :

What	color	are	the	bowls
0.127	0.124	0.117	0.109	0.211

Q : What color are the bowls?

(Round 3)

- Caption : Plates and bowls of food are sitting on top of a table
- Round 1: What kind of food? Looks like fried chicken and some rice and sauce
- Round 2: What color are the plates? They are orange

0.041
0.149
0.372

- GT : Also orange Prediction: Also orange

**Q : What color are
the bowls?**

GT :

Also orange

Prediction:

Also orange





Q :

Are	there	any	people
0.137	0.133	0.131	0.132

Q : Are there any people ?

(Round 5)

- Caption : Plates and bowls of food are sitting on top of a table
- Round 1: What kind of food? Looks like fried chicken and some rice and sauce
- Round 2: What color are the plates? They are orange
- Round 3: What color are the bowls? Also orange
- Round 4: Are there any drinks? No drinks are visible
- **GT : No people are visible Prediction: No people in the picture**

0.040
0.061
0.149
0.102
0.421

Q : Are there any people ?

GT :

No people are visible

Prediction:

No people in the picture





Q :

Can	you	see	the	type	of	pizza
0.078	0.079	0.090	0.110	0.124	0.101	0.067

Q : Can you see the type of pizza ?

(Round 2)

- Caption : 6 people are sitting around a table with 2 pizzas and drinks
- Round 1: Is this in a public setting? Yes

0.204
0.113

- **GT : Appears to be cheese and a deep dish Prediction: It looks like pizza**

Q : Can you see the type of pizza ?

GT :

Appears to be cheese and a deep dish

Prediction:

It looks like pizza

