



**COMP - 5014**

# **Natural Language Processing**

**Commonsense Validation and Explanation  
with Natural Language Processing**



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## Problem Statement

- Distinguish the statements of making sense or not from the given two sentences and Give reason.

### Example

Statement 1	John put a turkey into a fridge	Correct
Statement 2	John put an elephant into the fridge	Incorrect
	Elephant can not fit into the fridge	Reason



## Motivation

- Computers are becoming more intelligent.
- Computers can understand a language and generate another sentence.
- One of the applications of NLU is common sense validation.
- NLG helps generate reasons commonly
- System must have some common sense which can differentiate between sentences making any sense or not



# Challenges

- Pre-processing task
- Training the model
- Combine the model
- Sentence generation



## Data Set Used

- Train set: 10,000 instances
- Test set: 1000 instances

## Resources Used

- Nvidia Tesla K80 GPU from Google Colab platform
- The pre-trained Transformer-based language models
- Jupyter notebook



## Task A: Validation (Sentence Classification)

- Divide each row into two sentences and assign labels.

ID	Sentence	Labels
0	John put a turkey into a fridge	1 ( Correct )
0	John put an elephant into a fridge	0 ( Incorrect )

## Task A: Validation (Sentence Classification)

### Models

	BERT	DistilBert	GPT
Learning Rate	2e-5	5e-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Depends on perplexity score</li><li>• <math>\text{Sense} \propto \frac{1}{\text{Perplexity}}</math></li></ul>
Batch Size	32	8	
Epochs	8	4	

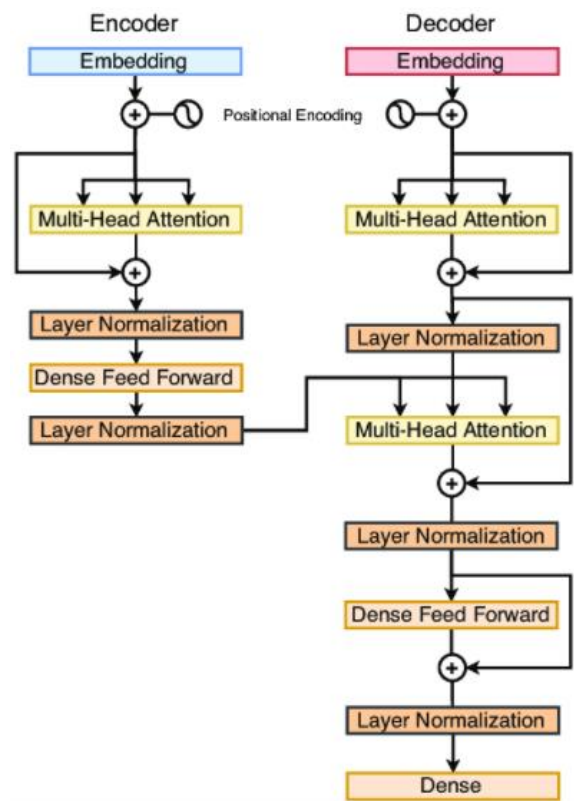
### Result

	BERT	GPT	DistilBert	Overall
Accuracy	83.99	75	85.6	86.5

\*The evaluation metric for Subtasks A is accuracy\*



# Transformers





## Task B: Explanation (Multiple Choice)

- Choose the reason from the given 3 sentences.

### Example

**Statement:** John put an elephant into the fridge.

Reason 1	An elephant is much bigger than fridge.	Correct
Reason 2	Elephants are usually white while fridges are usually white.	Incorrect
Reason 3	An elephant can not eat a fridge.	Incorrect

## Task B: Explanation (Multiple Choice)



Models

	BERT	DistilBert	XLNET	Roberta	Albert
Learning Rate	2e-5	2e-5	2e-5	2e-5	2e-5
Batch Size	32	32	4	32	32
Epochs	4	4	4	4	8

## Task B: Explanation (Multiple Choice)



### Result

- Baseline Accuracy vs Single model accuracy (Experimental Results)

	Baseline Accuracy	Experimental Results
BERT	83.1	71.06
XLNET	81.6	71.96
DistlBert	79.3	68.17
Roberta	87.4	77.76
ALBert	82.6	72.76

## Task B: Explanation (Multiple Choice)

### Result

- Multi model accuracy

Merged Models	Accuracy
Xlnet + Albert + Bert + Distilbert + Roberta	89.90
Albert + Bert + Distilbert + Roberta	88.10
Bert + Distilbert + Roberta	85.30
Albert + Distilbert + Roberta	86.70
Albert + Bert + Roberta	87.10

\* The evaluation metric for Subtasks B is accuracy \*



## Task C: Explanation (Text Generation)

- This subtask is similar to the second one since the input to both is a single natural language statement that contradicts common sense and the goal is to determine why is that.
- However, in this subtask, the system is expected to generate the justification from scratch.
- The generated text is evaluated against three correct reference justifications.

## Task C: Explanation (Text Generation)



### Example

False Statement : A bear was driving a car in Canada.

Referential Reasons:

A	Bear don't have car license and are unable to drive.
B	bears don't drive cars.
C	They do not drive cars.



## Task C: Explanation (Text Generation)

### Accomplishment

- We generated reasons consists of multiple sentences. The model's input is a concatenation of the statement and each explanation. The final answers are evaluated by BLUE.

### Generated Reason Example

- A bear is not a vehicle.
- It is a wild animal.
- It cannot drive a car.
- It cannot be a person.





## Task C: Explanation (Text Generation)

We utilised the pre-trained GPT-2, Openai-GPT and XLNET model for subtask C, 3 set of correct reasons for each false statement as input for fine-tuned training. Then load the trained models to generate reasons.

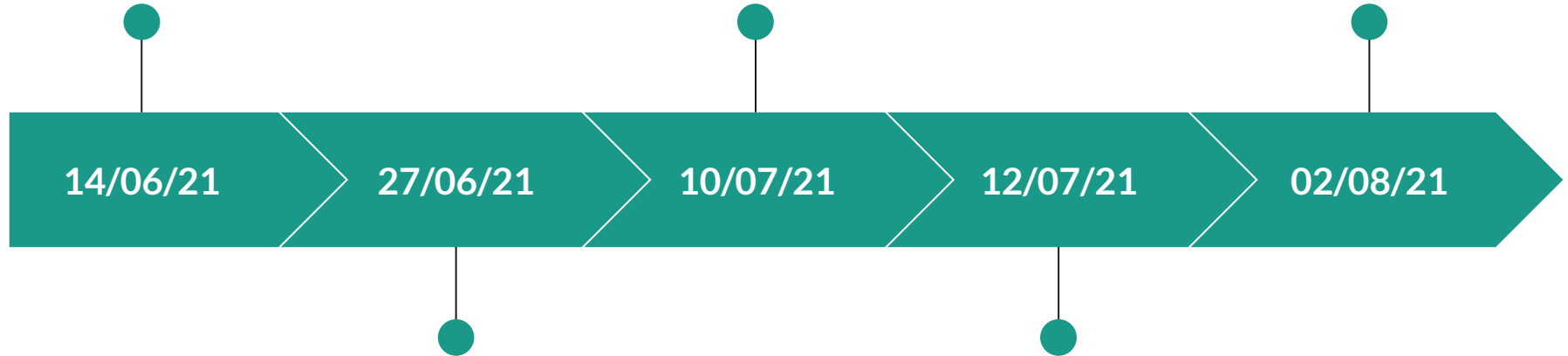
Model	Test BLEU Score
GPT-2	0.9808
OPENAI-GPT (GPT-1)	0.8679
XLNET	1.2267

The evaluation involves the BLEU score.

Project Proposal

Task B: Explanation (Multiple Choice) Implemented.

Expected Final Project and Report Submission



Task A: Validation (Sentence Classification) Implemented.

Project Progress Report



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## Team work distribution :

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Worked on Subtask B using Roberta and XLNET language model

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Worked on Preprocessing task in Subtask B and used GPT2 to perform Subtask C and Calculated BLEU score

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Worked on Subtask B using Bert, Distilbert language models

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Worked on Subtask A using Bert, DistilBert language models

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Worked on Subtask A using GPT and did research related to Related works.

Worked on the power point presentation



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