# TA-Bot

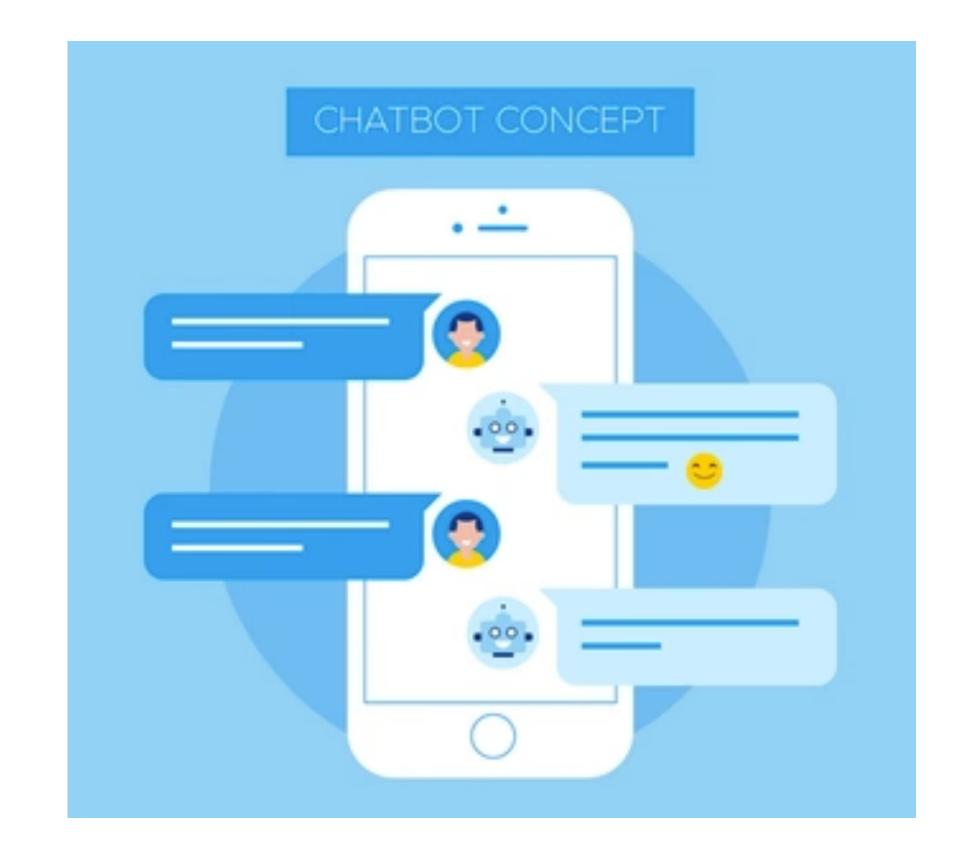
An application of NLP

# Introduction

### Chatbot as application of NLP

Goal: create a tool that automatically answers frequently asked questions posed by Univ.Al students, e.g.,

- What is the deadline for exercise submission?
- Will the sessions be recorded?
- Where to submit the homework?



## Datasets

Squad version 2.0 contains ~100,000 questions

Train set

Dev Set

We are not using the 'unanswered' questions.

Univ.AI

Univ.ai Frequently Asked Questions
Faq.csv
Test.csv
Context (added manually)

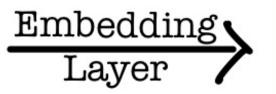
# Baseline Approach

## RNN model with sentence piece word embedding



#### Model Architecture

- 1. Embedding layer (300 Dim)
- 2. LSTM (512 Dim)
- 3. Dropout layer (0.2)
- 4. LSTM (512 Dim)
- 5. Dropout Layer (0.2)
- 6. Dense layer of Vocabulary Size with Softmax



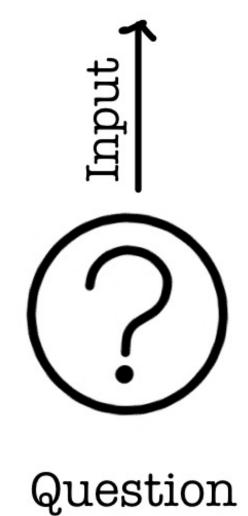
#### Model Architecture

- 1. Embedding Layer from Language model
- 2. Seq2Seq with attention
- 3. 256 GRU Encoder Decoder Layer



Context

Language model



# Results for baseline model

#### Squad Dataset results

#### Test Dataset results

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Which contestant reportedly received a death threat on the show?
The predicted answer is: automatic mps
The actual answer is: John Stevens
What nation does the Marshall Islands vote similarly to in the General
The predicted answer is: the north african states
The actual answer is: the United States
In which decade did Beyonce become famous?
The predicted answer is: the early 1970s
The actual answer is: late 1990s
The placement of deciduous trees on the Equator facing side of a building
can have a negative effect on solar availability in which season?
The predicted answer is: spring
The actual answer is: winter
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In what year did Bell get some of Edison's patents?
The predicted answer is: 2013
The actual answer is: 1879
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Will the pre-class session be recorded?
The predicted answer is: mechanical
What is the deadline for quiz submission?
The predicted answer is: digital
What is the deadline for exercise submission?
The predicted answer is: shiva
How many hours do I need to complete this course?
The predicted answer is: time forda
Who will grade the exercise?
The predicted answer is: perfective heart failure
Why is the auto-grader failing me?
The predicted answer is: ?? frow triangle
Do I do the exercises individually?
The predicted answer is: the meaning of the expression of the entire world
Is the lab compulsory?
The predicted answer is: the ?? orfel ?? and the orogenna
Will the sessions be recorded?
The predicted answer is: computing
Can I have access to the recorded videos?
The predicted answer is: the crusader
Where are the recordings?
The predicted answer is: salvia ?? d ?? otia ?? and rabilia
Where can I ask questions regarding reading material
The predicted answer is: the lower level of the process
Where to find course material?
The predicted answer is: the teko and pious
Do we have homework?
The predicted answer is: dhot
Where can I find the homework?
The predicted answer is: standing lower elevations
Where to submit the homework?
The predicted answer is: covers ?? distance ?? orchow protection ?? or other countries
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# Transformer based Model ALBERT Model

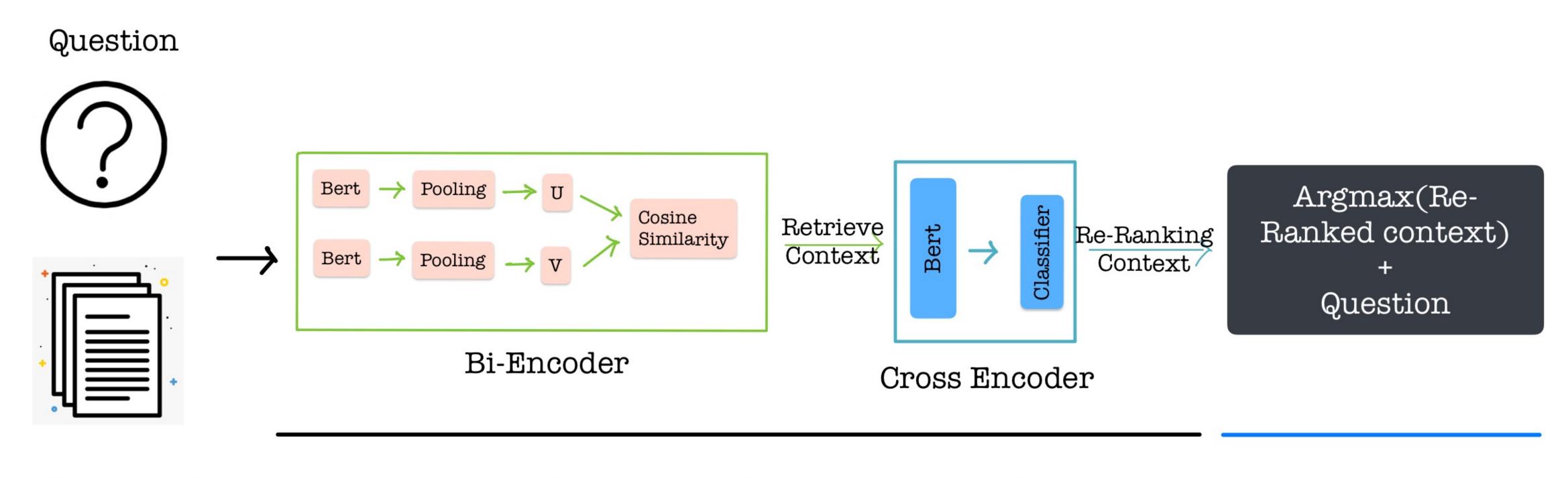
- 1. Using a pertained ALBERT Model from Hugging Face
- 2. Training the Model On Squad Dataset for 3 epochs.
- 3. Fine Tuning the model on Faq dataset with context handpicked for each question.

1	Question	Answer
2	will preclass session be recorded	preclass quiz is to just check your understanding of reading
3	what is deadline for quiz submission	5 pm on day of following lecture
4	what is deadline for exercise submission	5 pm on day of following lecture
5	how many hours do i need to complete this course	15 hours per week
6	who will grade exercise	exercises are autograded once you click submit button
7	why is autograder failing me	autograder does accept alternative solutions

Problem - Context is added manually, we want to solve this.

# Application of Retrieve and ReRank

#### Automating context retrieval process



Documents

Automatic information retrieval

Input to QA Bot

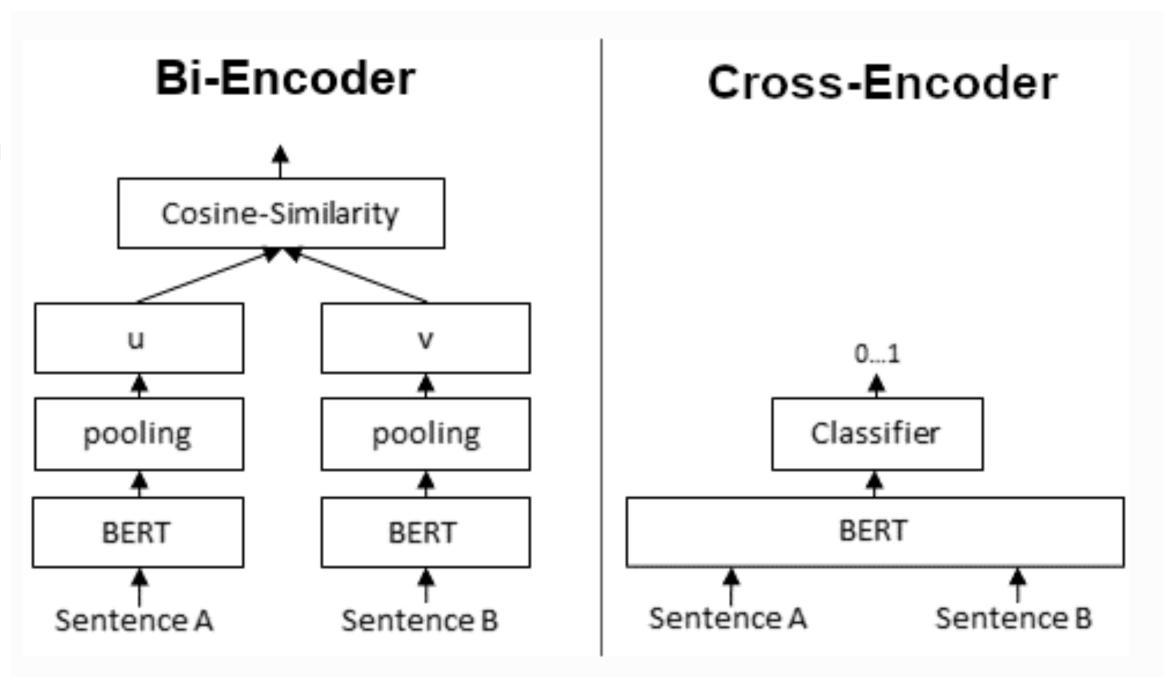
We are only using the cross encoder part because of low data

# Cross Encoders Bi-Encoder & Cross Encoder

Sentence Embeddings can be compared using Cosine similarity.

Fast for large number of documents

Used for ranking sentences



Sentences are passed simultaneously No sentence embedding is produced.

Produces output value between 0-1 Indicating similarity between sentences

Slow for large number of documents

Used to Reordering Ranked Documents

# Results for ALBERT

## With Cross encoder and fine tuning on faq dataset

1	Question	Answer
2	will preclass session be recorded	course schedule may include readings in course textbooks
3	what is deadline for quiz submission	5 pm on day of following lecture
4	what is deadline for exercise submission	5 pm on day of following lecture
5	how many hours do i need to complete this course	our courses need time commitment of about 15 hours per week from enrolled students
6	who will grade exercise	exercises are autograded once you click submit button
7	why is autograder failing me	autograder does not accept alternative solutions

## **Short Comings of Albert model**

- 1. Does not perform text generation
- 2. Points out the part of the context that the model thinks has the answer
- 3. Might not give good results in no answer situations

# **T-5**

#### A text generative approach to chat-bot

1	Questions	Answers
2	answer_me: will the pre-class session be recorded?	<pad> no. all a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a</pad>
3	answer_me: what is the deadline for quiz submission?	<pad> 5 pm on thea 5 pm on the a a a homework.</pad>
4	answer_me: what is the deadline for exercise submission?	<pad> 5 pm on thea homework.</pad>
5	answer_me: how many hours do i need to complete this course?	<pad> about 15 hours per week.</pad>
6	answer_me: who will grade the exercise?	<pad> unfortunately, you and your a your a exercises will be announced during the course.</pad>
7	answer_me: why is the auto-grader failing me?	<pad> unfortunately, you not begrader is not begrading is not begrader is not begrading is a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a</pad>

- 1. The T-5 model is not performing well with the given dataset.
- 2. We think it requires more data for fine-tuning.

# Conclusion

#### Our take away from the project

- 1. Our best model is Albert with Cross Encoder for information Retrieval.
- 2. If we have more data for fine-tuning than T-5 model may perform better

# **Future Work**

#### List of improvements to be done

- 1. Scraping data from all Univ.ai pages.
- 2. Using NLP Data augmentation techniques.
- 3. Adversarial Training for a more robust model.

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