

Deep Networks as *hidden* Metric Learners

- N training instances: $x_1, \dots, x_n, \dots, x_N$
- Ground truth training labels: $y_1, \dots, y_n, \dots, y_N$
- Seek a function, $f : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$, to predict \hat{y}_{N+1} for a new, unseen instance x_{N+1} , with minimal *distance* between \hat{y}_{N+1} and y_{N+1}
- New view: **Back-out a metric learner from the parametric deep network:**
 $f = c \circ g$, where $g : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^M$, $c : \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}$, and $r \in \mathbb{R}^M$ is a dense representation of the input under the parametric model

- Sense in which: $f(x_{N+1}) \approx \beta + \sum_{n=1}^N (\tanh(f(x_n)) + \gamma \cdot y_n) \cdot w(\|r_n - r_{N+1}\|_2)$

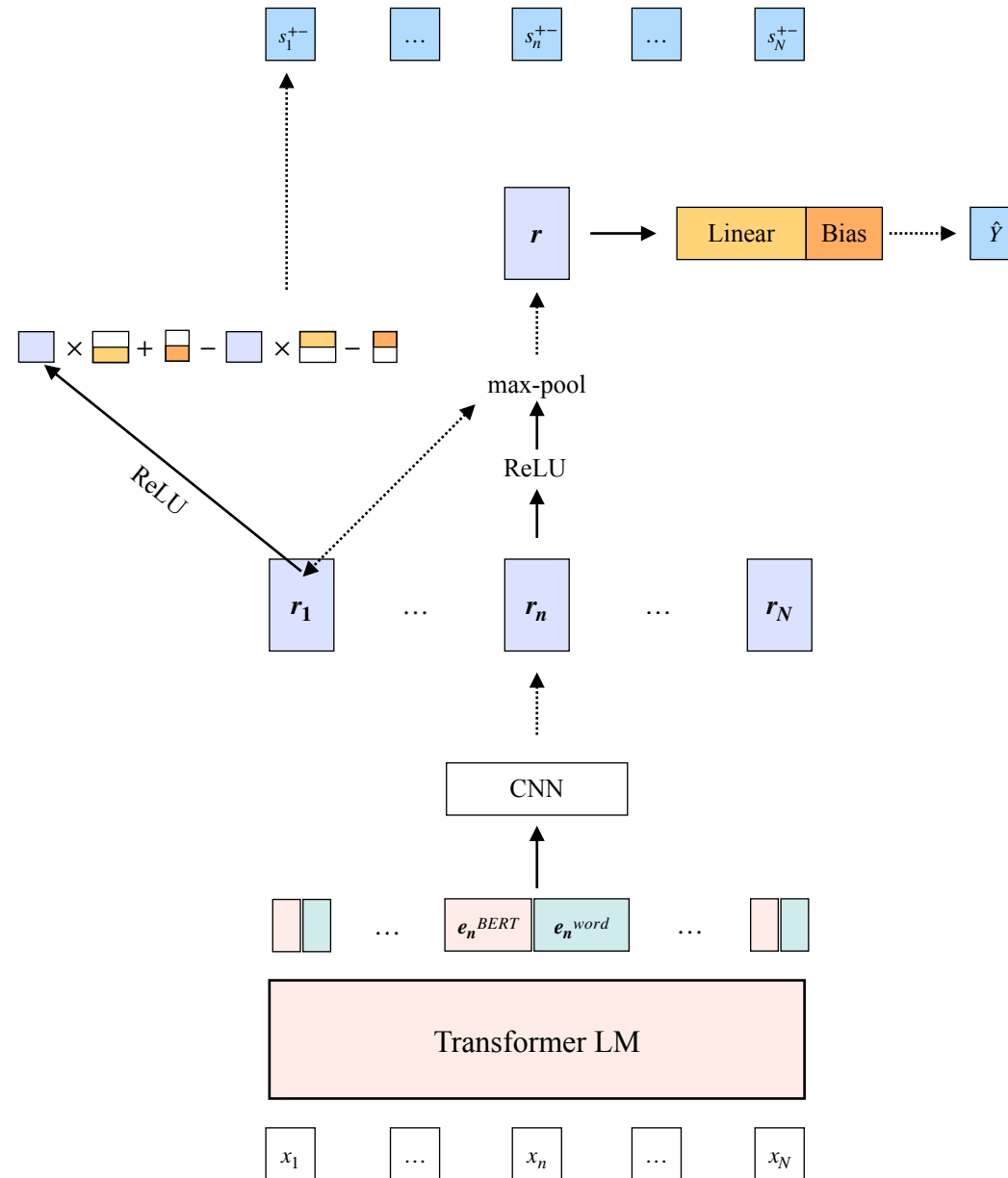
$w(\cdot)$ is a function of the distance between representations
(Relatable to instance-based learning, kernel methods, ...)

I.e., a test prediction is approx. a distance-weighting (between “exemplar” representations) over the training set (model predictions & associated labels)

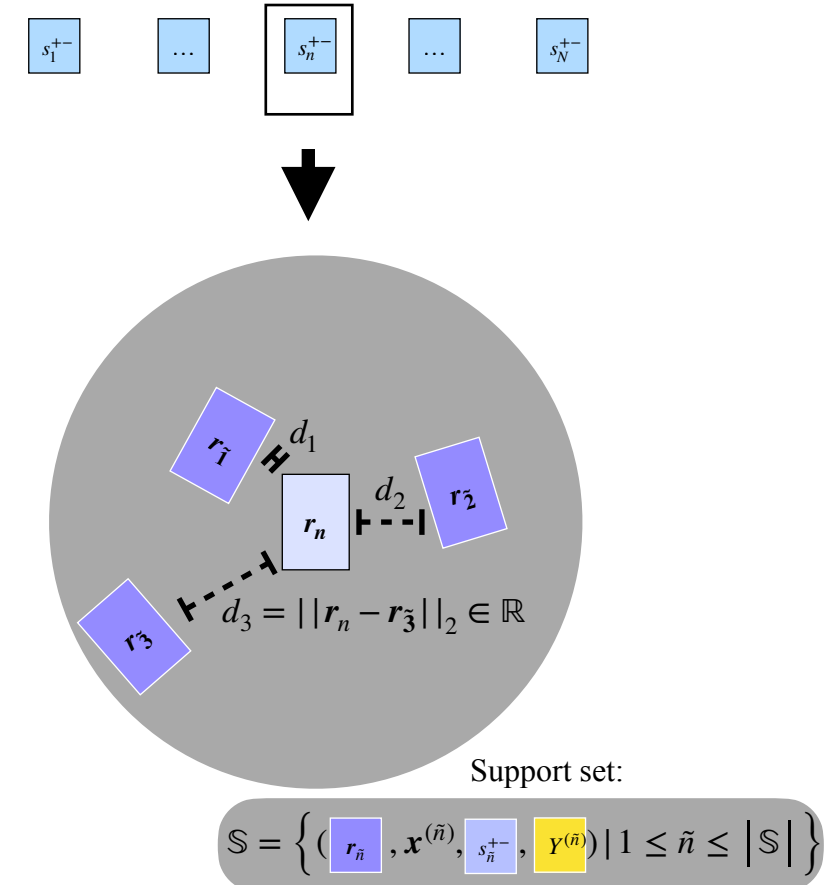
- Enables **interpretable/introspectable** decision rules & various analyses (hence, “auditing”): E.g., only admit true positive (TP) matches:
 $\hat{y}_{N+1} = f(x_{N+1}) \cdot [f(x_{N+1}) = f(x_n) \wedge f(x_n) = y_n] + NULL \cdot [f(x_{N+1}) \neq f(x_n) \vee f(x_n) \neq y_n]$, where $n = \arg \min_{n \in \{1, \dots, N\}} \|r_n - r_{N+1}\|_2$
- Enables **updatability/adaptability**:
 - Label changes: $y'_n = y_n + \Delta_n$
 - Data additions (a.k.a., continual/lifelong learning):
 $\mathbb{D}^N = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)\}$ becomes $\mathbb{D}^{N'} = \{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N), \dots, (x_{N'}, y_{N'})\}$
 - New lightweight models over representations (e.g., using data additions): $c' : \mathbb{R}^M \rightarrow \mathbb{Y}'$

Horizontal (across the input) & Vertical (across the support set) Model Decompositions

Sequence Labeling via a Convolutional Decomposition



K-NN Approximation

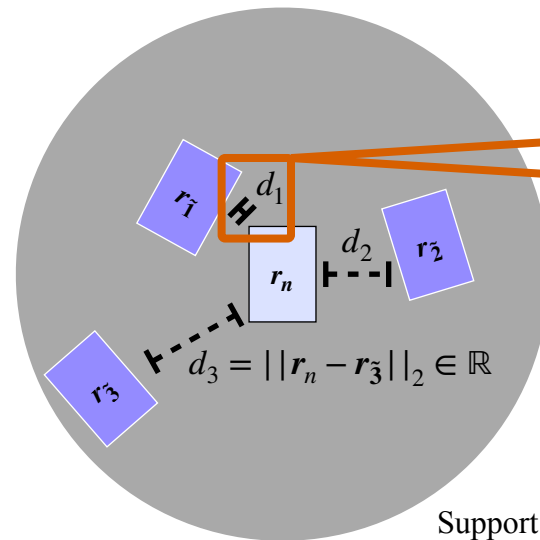
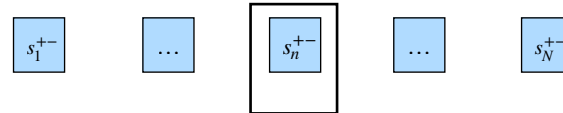


$$s_n^{+-} \approx \beta + w_1 \cdot (\tanh(s_1^{+-}) + \gamma \cdot y^{(1)}) + w_2 \cdot (\tanh(s_2^{+-}) + \gamma \cdot y^{(2)}) + w_3 \cdot (\tanh(s_3^{+-}) + \gamma \cdot y^{(3)})$$

$$w_k = \frac{\exp(-d_k/\tau)}{\sum_{k'=1}^3 \exp(-d_{k'}/\tau)}$$

Leveraging Model Approximations for Prediction Reliability Heuristics & Screening Input Dissimilar to the Support Set

K-NN Approximation



Data uncertainty: Distance to 1st match (d_1), an exogenous factor, captures uncertainty w.r.t. data (training data compared to test data).

Model uncertainty: This bounded value reaches its min/max when $\tanh(s_k^{+-})$ & $Y^{(k)}$ (or y_k , with token-level labels) agree, for all k (assuming $\gamma > 0$).

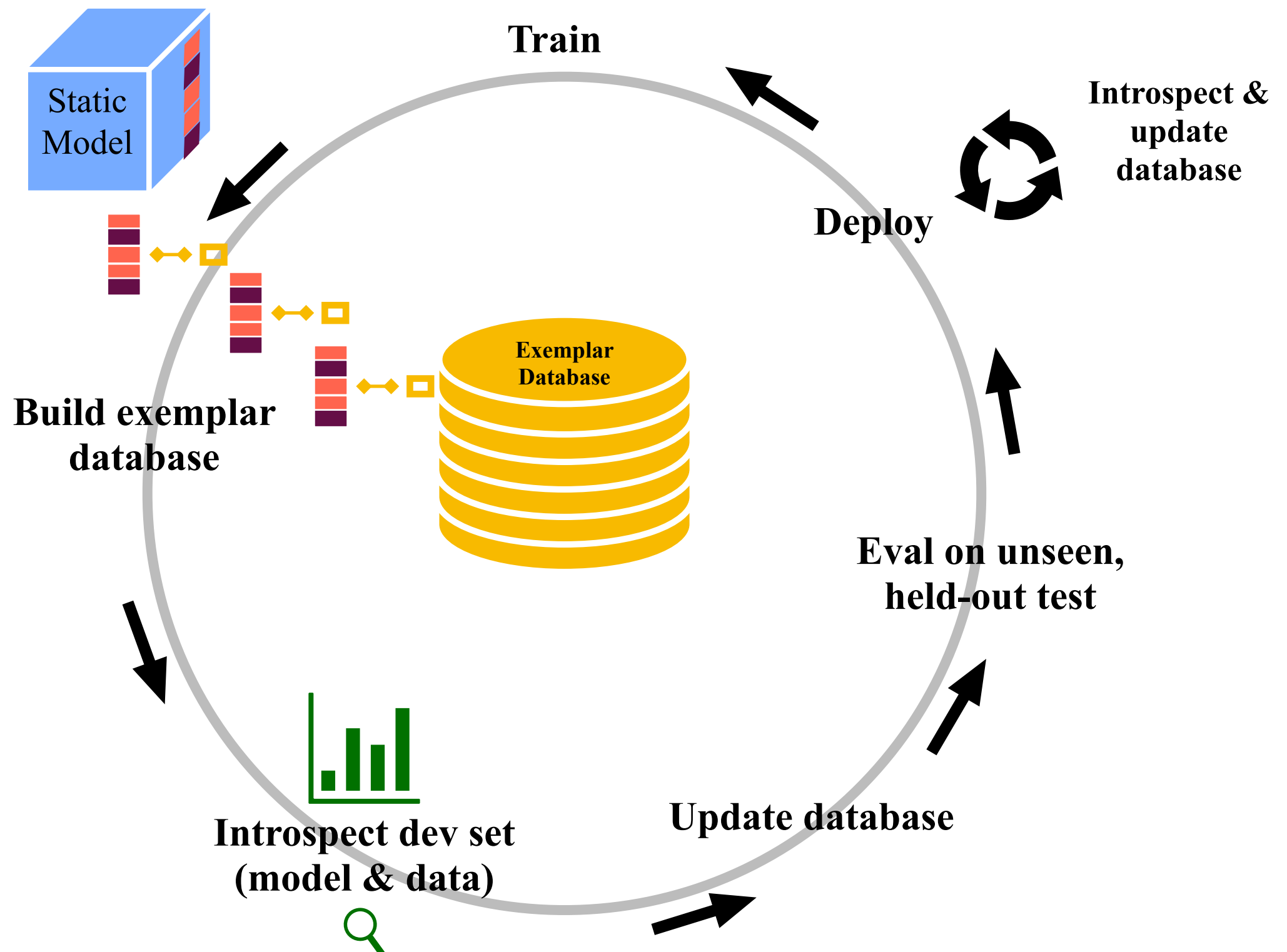
Support set:

$$\mathbb{S} = \left\{ (r_{\tilde{n}}, \mathbf{x}^{(\tilde{n})}, s_{\tilde{n}}^{+-}, Y^{(\tilde{n})}) \mid 1 \leq \tilde{n} \leq |\mathbb{S}| \right\}$$

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Exemplar Auditing Lifecycle

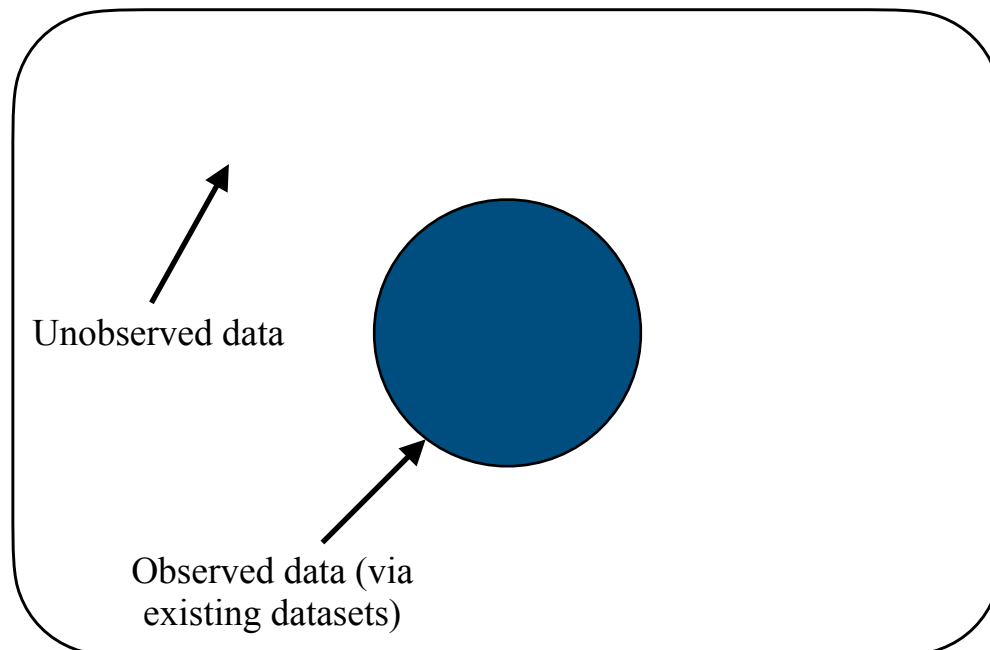


Uncertainty is but a distance to what is known...

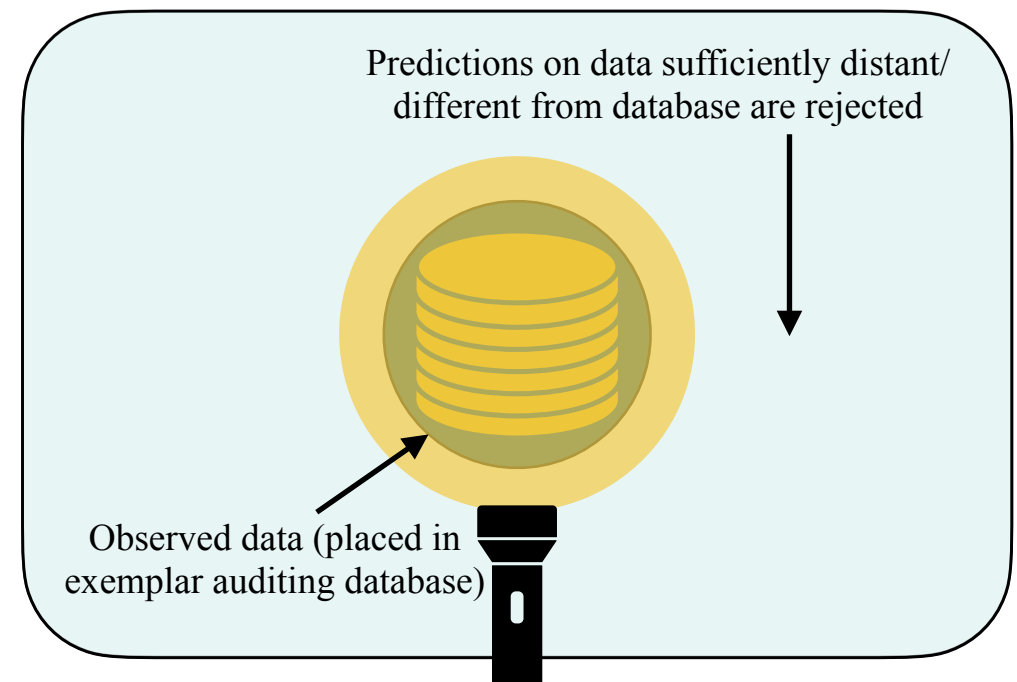
Out-of-Domain Settings

- Pre-train with as much data as possible
- Add as much data as possible to the database, including data not seen in training
 - Corral the in-domain space, around the ball of the observed data
- Never predict over out-of-domain data in high-risk settings. Instead: Rearrange the deployment to handle non-admitted predictions.

Data distribution for task (partially observed)



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Implementations

- Binary classification: $f : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

Unique side effect: **Binary Sequence labeling**: $f : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow \{0,1\}_1, \dots, \{0,1\}_{|x|}$

- “Detecting Local Insights from Global Labels: Supervised & Zero-Shot Sequence Labeling via a Convolutional Decomposition”

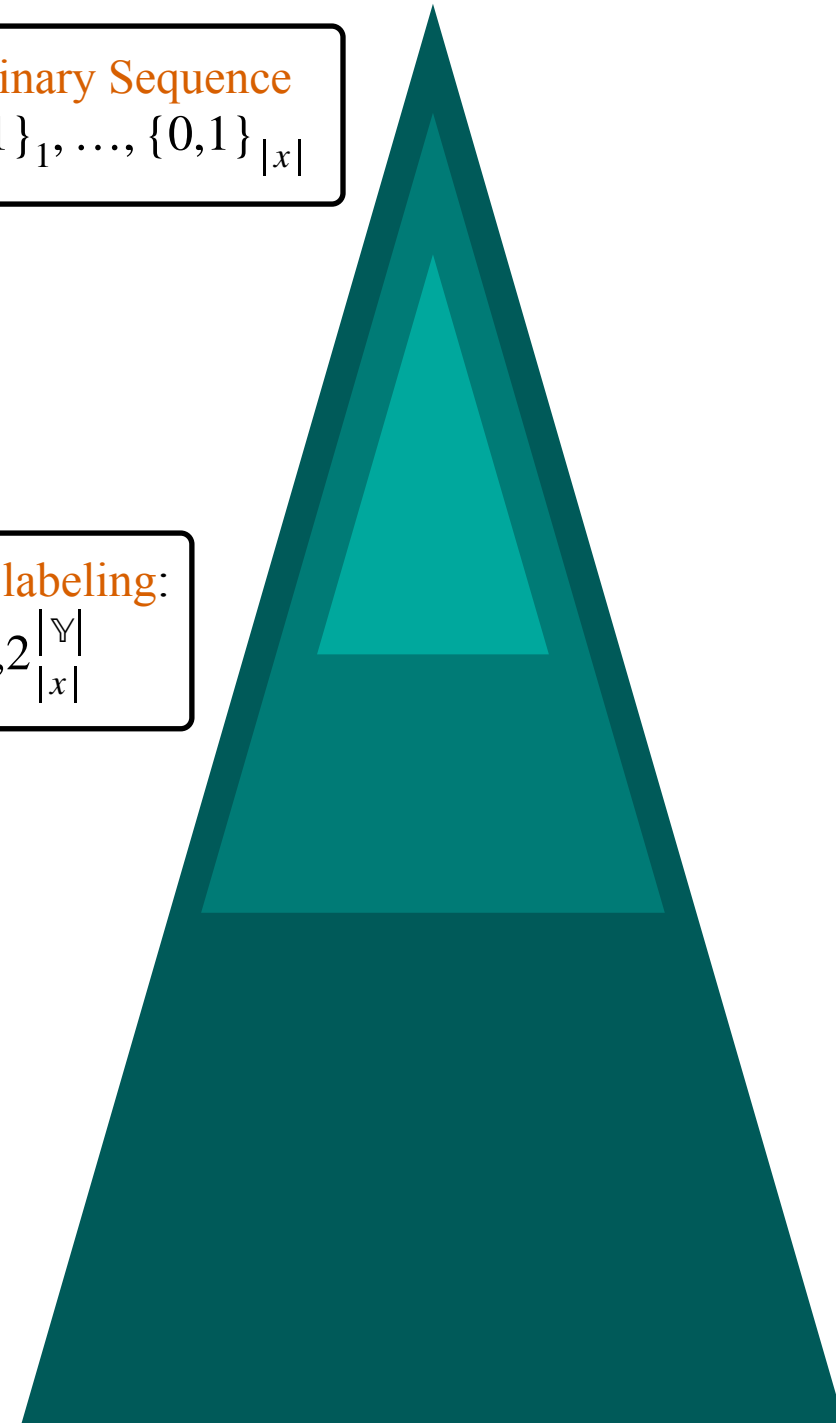
- Multi-label classification: $f : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow 2^{|\mathbb{Y}|}$

Multi-label sequence labeling:
 $f : \mathbb{X} \rightarrow 2_1^{|\mathbb{Y}|}, \dots, 2_{|x|}^{|\mathbb{Y}|}$

- “Exemplar Auditing for Multi-Label Biomedical Text Classification”

- Retrieval-classification: $f : \mathbb{X} \times \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \langle \{0,1,2\}, 2^{|\mathbb{D}|} \rangle$

- “Coarse-to-Fine Memory Matching for Joint Retrieval and Classification”



Memory Matching Search

- Approach (*high-level*): Run the same **shared network**, g , over all of Wikipedia, \mathbb{D} , caching the representations, & then perform **search** by matching the query representation with progressively built-up support sequences

$q = \text{Query sequence}$

$s = \text{Support sequence}$

A Wikipedia sentence

$s_i \in \mathbb{D}$

Set of K nearest Wikipedia sentences

$$s'_k \in \arg \min_{s_i} K ||r_q - r_{s_i}||_2$$

Set of Z nearest Wikipedia sentences from Search Level 2

$$s''_z \in \arg \min_{s'_k} Z ||r_q - r_{(q,s'_k)}||_2$$

Search Level 1 $g(q) = r_q \in \mathbb{R}^M$

$$g(s_1) = r_{s_1} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

\vdots

$$g(s_{|\mathbb{D}|}) = r_{s_{|\mathbb{D}|}} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

$r_{s_1}, \dots, r_{s_{|\mathbb{D}|}}$ can be cached

Search Level 2

$$r_q \longleftrightarrow g((q, s'_1)) = r_{(q,s'_1)} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

\vdots

$$g((q, s'_K)) = r_{(q,s'_K)} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

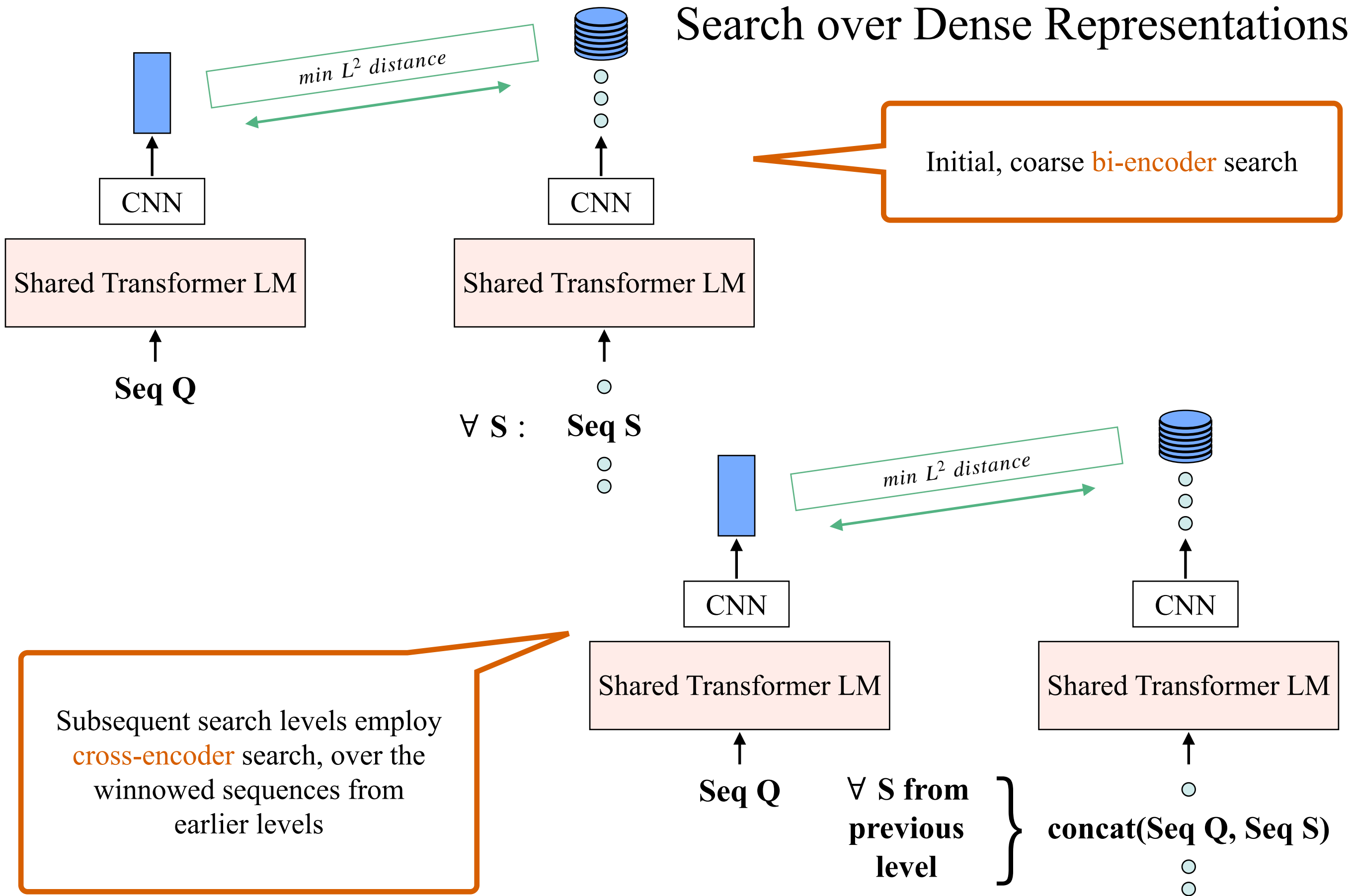
Search Level 3

$$\hat{y} = \arg \min_{y \in \{\text{Supports, Refutes, Unverifiable}\}} ||r_q - r_{(y,q,s''_1,\dots,s''_Z)}||_2$$

\hat{y} is the label prediction

$\{s''_1, \dots, s''_Z\}$ is the set of Wikipedia support sentences

An End-to-End Retrieval-Classification Model via a Coarse-to-Fine Search over Dense Representations



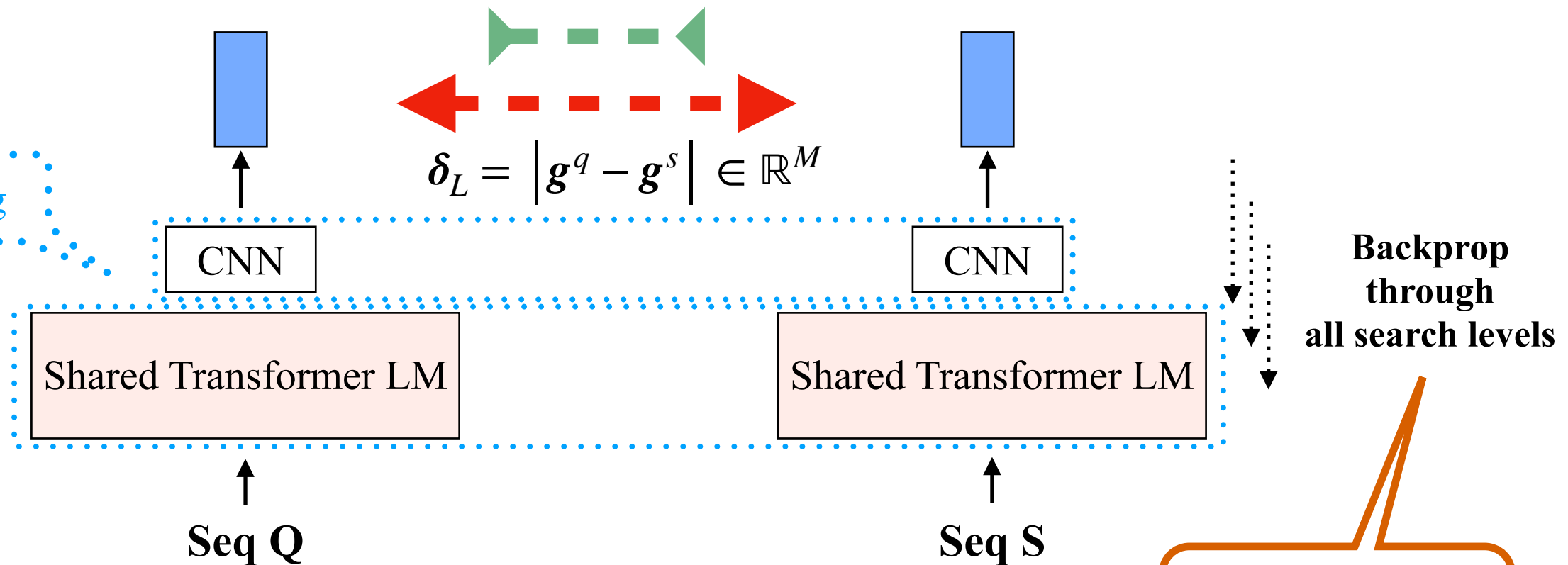
Joint Retrieval and Classification Training

Minimize/maximize difference
to
correct/incorrect matches



$$\delta_L = |g^q - g^s| \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

Iterative freezing

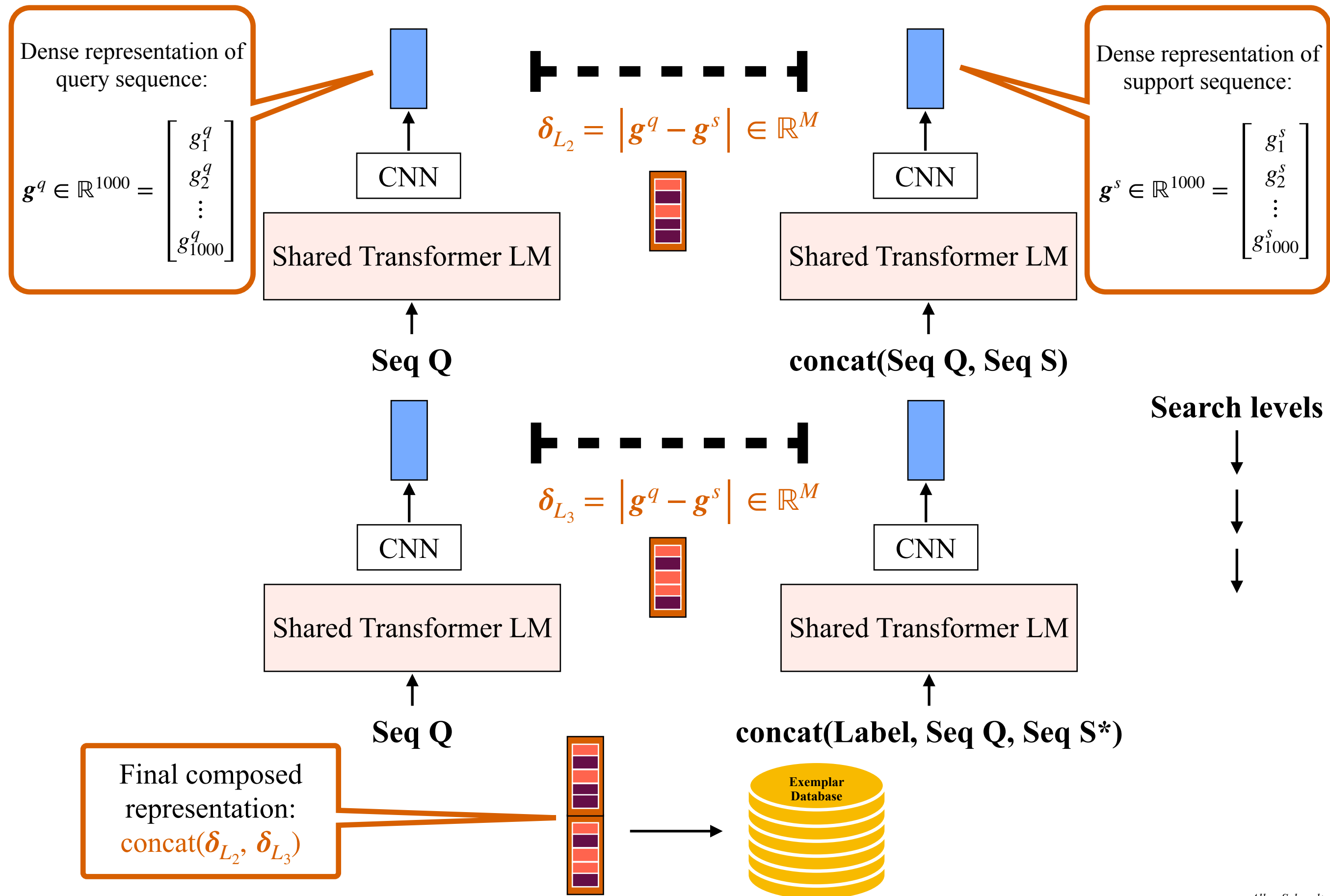


Backprop
through
all search levels

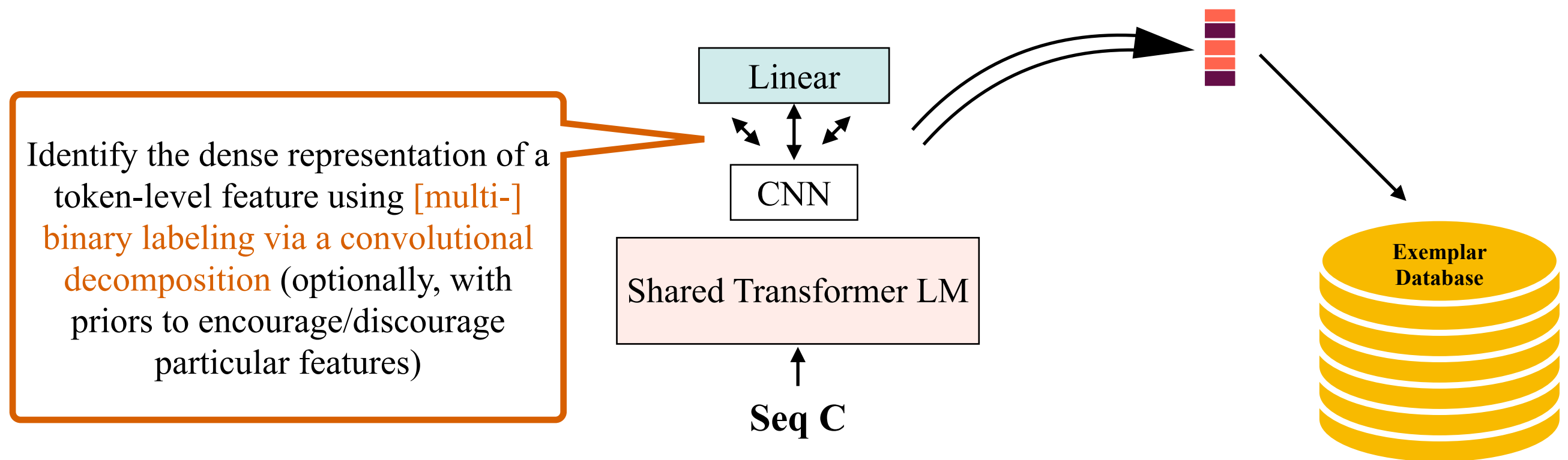
Yields a single model
for both retrieval and
classification

The training set is dynamically created
via coarse-to-fine search to find hard
negatives, as well as prediction
sequences that emulate inference

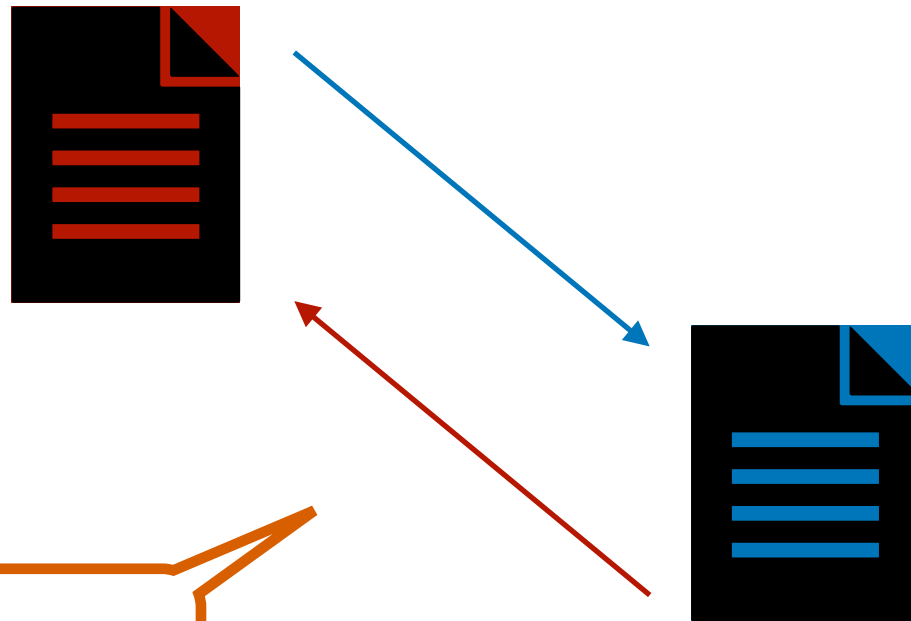
Multi-Sequence Representation Composition for Exemplar Auditing



Token-Level Representations for Exemplar Auditing



Extractive, Comparative (Feature-wise) Summarization



With facility over features, relating a global prediction to individual sequence elements, we can readily score, examine, & compare salient subsequences across **correct** & **incorrect** predictions for each class

Uncertainty Quantification

1. (Pre-) Train (& fine-tune) deep network, as usual.

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Input Grid]}, \text{Training label})$$

2. Freeze network. Add & train a memory layer for TASK. Extract **exemplar** representations.

SEQUENCE LABELING:

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Input Grid]}, \text{Training label})$$

← Kernel-width 1 CNN

DOCUMENT CLASSIFICATION (WITH SPARSITY CONSTRAINTS):

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Input Grid]}, \text{Training label})$$

RETRIEVAL-CLASSIFICATION (SEARCH GRAPH):

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Input Grid]}, \text{Training label})$$

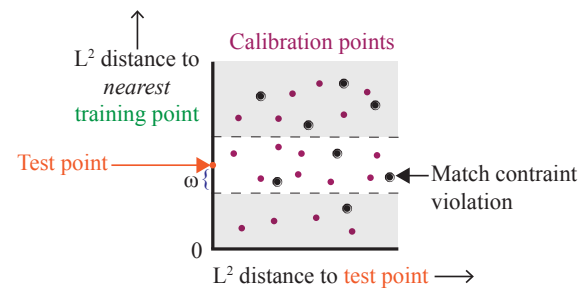
3. Train a KNN-based model approximation over exemplar representations from the memory layer, relating a new instance to training instances (predictions and ground-truth labels): $f(x)_{\text{tr}}^{\text{KNN}}$

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Training representation]}, \text{[Calibration representation]}, \text{Model prediction})$$

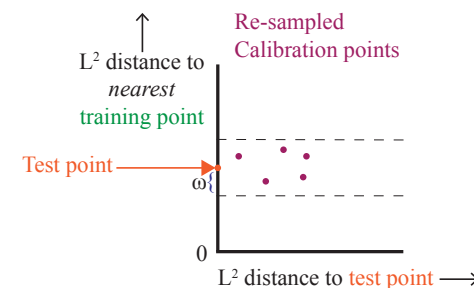
4. Train another KNN-based model approximation, relating a new test instance to representations and *KNN predictions* over the calibration set: $f(x)_{\text{ca}}^{\text{KNN}}$

$$\text{Loss} (\text{[Calibration representation]}, \text{[Test representation]}, \text{KNN prediction})$$

5. Calculate unique quantile thresholds for *each label* for *each test point* from the constrained set of calibration points within the distance band.



6. Optionally, re-sample the calibration set to be more similar to the test distribution. Repeat Step 5.



7. Optionally, condition on prediction set membership. Additional heuristics screen unreliable cases. (See text.)

ADMIT: A general framework for constructing, constraining, and analyzing point predictions and distribution-free prediction sets for deep neural networks.

Prospective Outlook: Interlocking distance constraints across input modalities and tasks via a single, shared model and a dense database...

