

CoCa: Contrastive Captioners are Image-Text Foundation Models



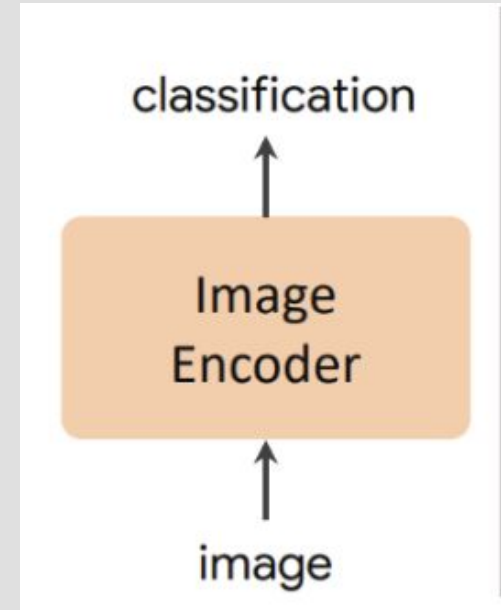
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Single Encoder Classification

- Image Encoder: Image \rightarrow features
 - Examples: ConvNet, ViT (Vision Transformers)
- Classifier: features \rightarrow class
 - Full layer.

Simple, direct, profit.



Accuracy on ImageNet:

#3 (ensemble) Model Soup ViT-G/14 (2022) - 90.9%

#8 ViT-G/14 (2022) - 90.45%,

#19 NFNet-F4+ (2021) - 89.2%



Dual-Encoder Contrastive Learning

- Image Encoder: Image \rightarrow embedding
- Text Encoder: Text \rightarrow embedding

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Con}} = -\frac{1}{N} \left(\underbrace{\sum_i \log \frac{\exp(x_i^\top y_i / \sigma)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \exp(x_i^\top y_j / \sigma)}}_{\text{image-to-text}} + \underbrace{\sum_i \log \frac{\exp(y_i^\top x_i / \sigma)}{\sum_{j=1}^N \exp(y_i^\top x_j / \sigma)}}_{\text{text-to-image}} \right),$$

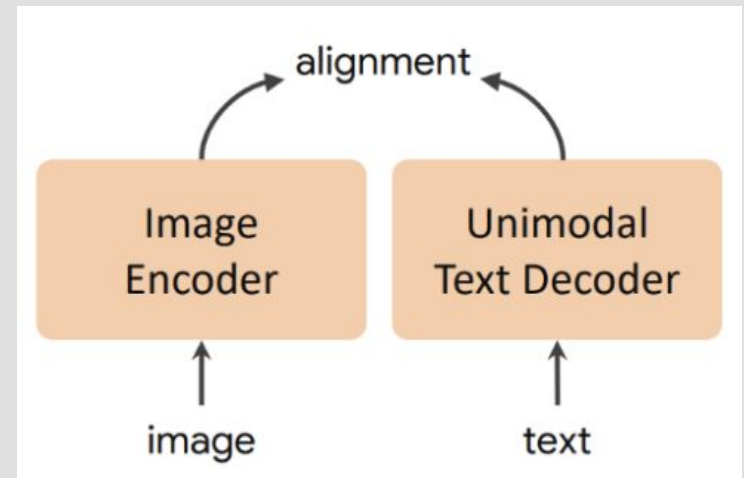
x_i - embedding of i -th image y_i - embedding of i -th text.

Logic: Maximize distance between text and image embeddings from different indexes, while minimizing the same.



Dual-Encoder Contrastive Learning

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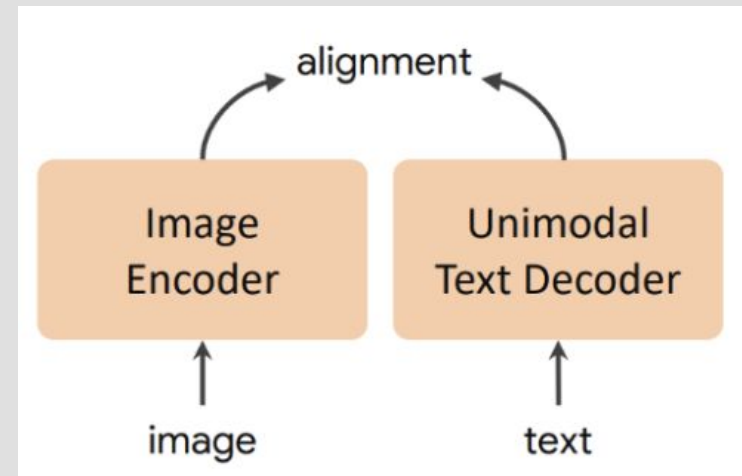
Dual-Encoder Contrastive Learning

Data: Image-Text.

Text is a description of an image. (For example: JFT)

Q: What are the advantages of dual encoding?

A: Instead of working with precise labels, we can use broad (noisy) texts instead.



Zero-Shot Image Classification

Zero-Shot Learning -
pre-trained model encounters
data from unseen classes, but
still has to predict the class.

Q: How can we do this with
dual encoding?

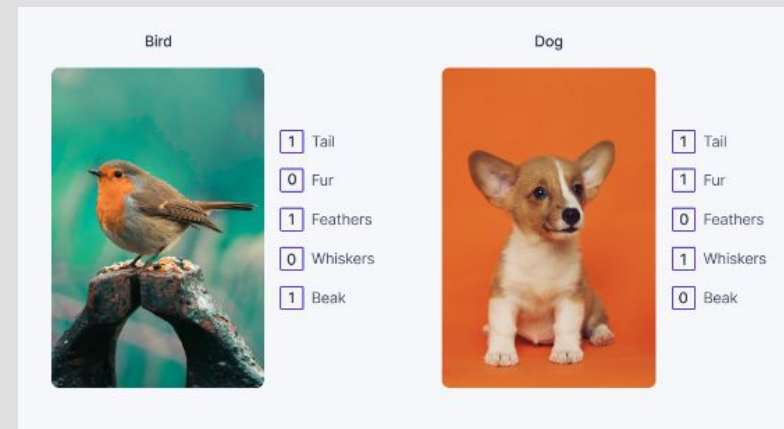


Zero-Shot Image Classification

Zero-Shot Learning - pre-trained model encounters data from unseen classes, but still has to predict the class.

Q: How can we do this with dual encoding paradigm?

A: Our texts are descriptions, from which we can infer, what is important to classify this object.



For more info on Zero Shot Image Classification check out CLIP or Learning Transferable Visual Models From Natural Language Supervision.



Encoder-Decoder Captioning

- Image Encoder: Image \rightarrow embedding
- Unimodal Text Decoder: Text \rightarrow embedding
- Multimodal Text Decoder: Image embedding + previous text tokens embedding \rightarrow next word
- Loss: maximizing probability of a word conditioned on image embedding and previous words.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Cap}} = - \sum_{t=1}^T \log P_{\theta}(y_t | y_{<t}, x).$$

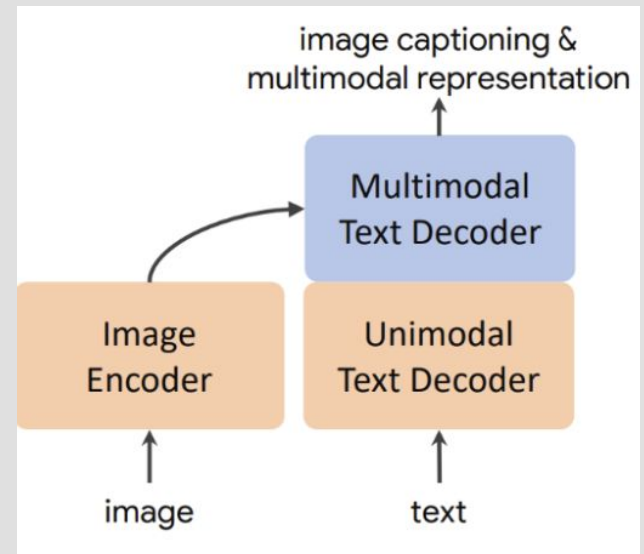


Encoder-Decoder Captioning

Difference between Multimodal and Unimodal decoders: cross-attention layers.

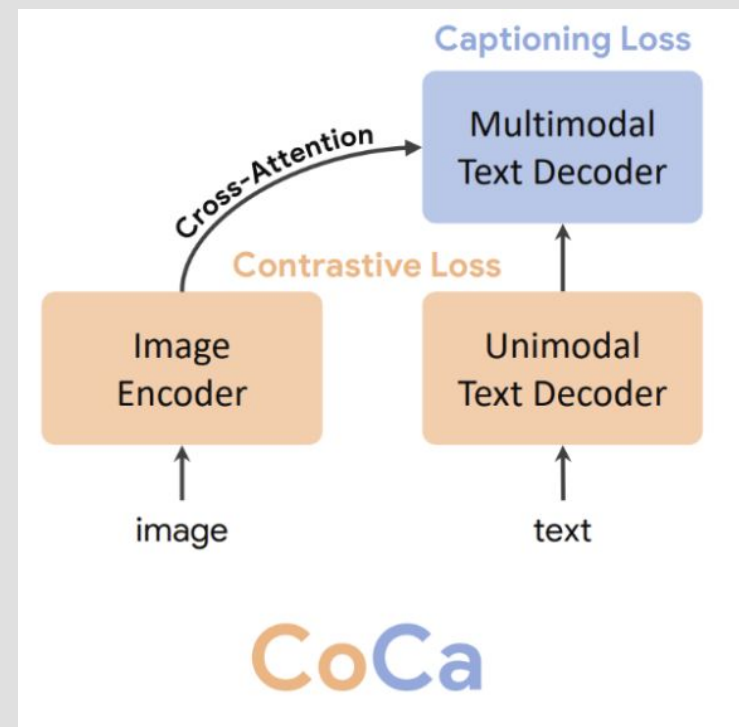
New skill: Image-based text generation and overall image-language understanding.

Task examples: answering questions to images or absolutely effortlessly using it for zero-shot learning btw.



Contrastive Captioners (CoCa)

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- Loss: Weighted sum of Co Loss and Ca Loss

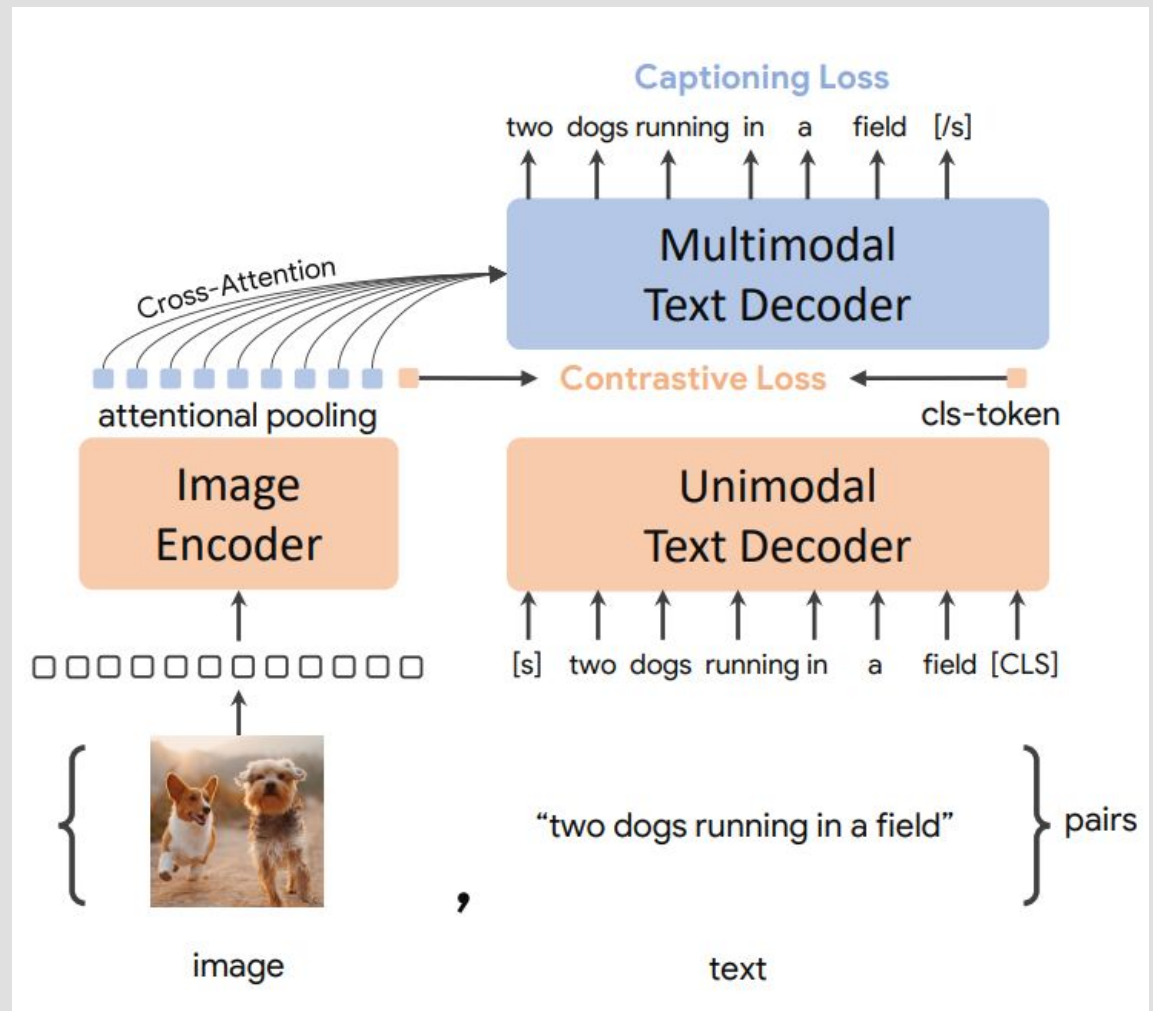


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CoCa}} = \lambda_{\text{Con}} \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{Con}} + \lambda_{\text{Cap}} \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{Cap}},$$



Contrastive Captioners

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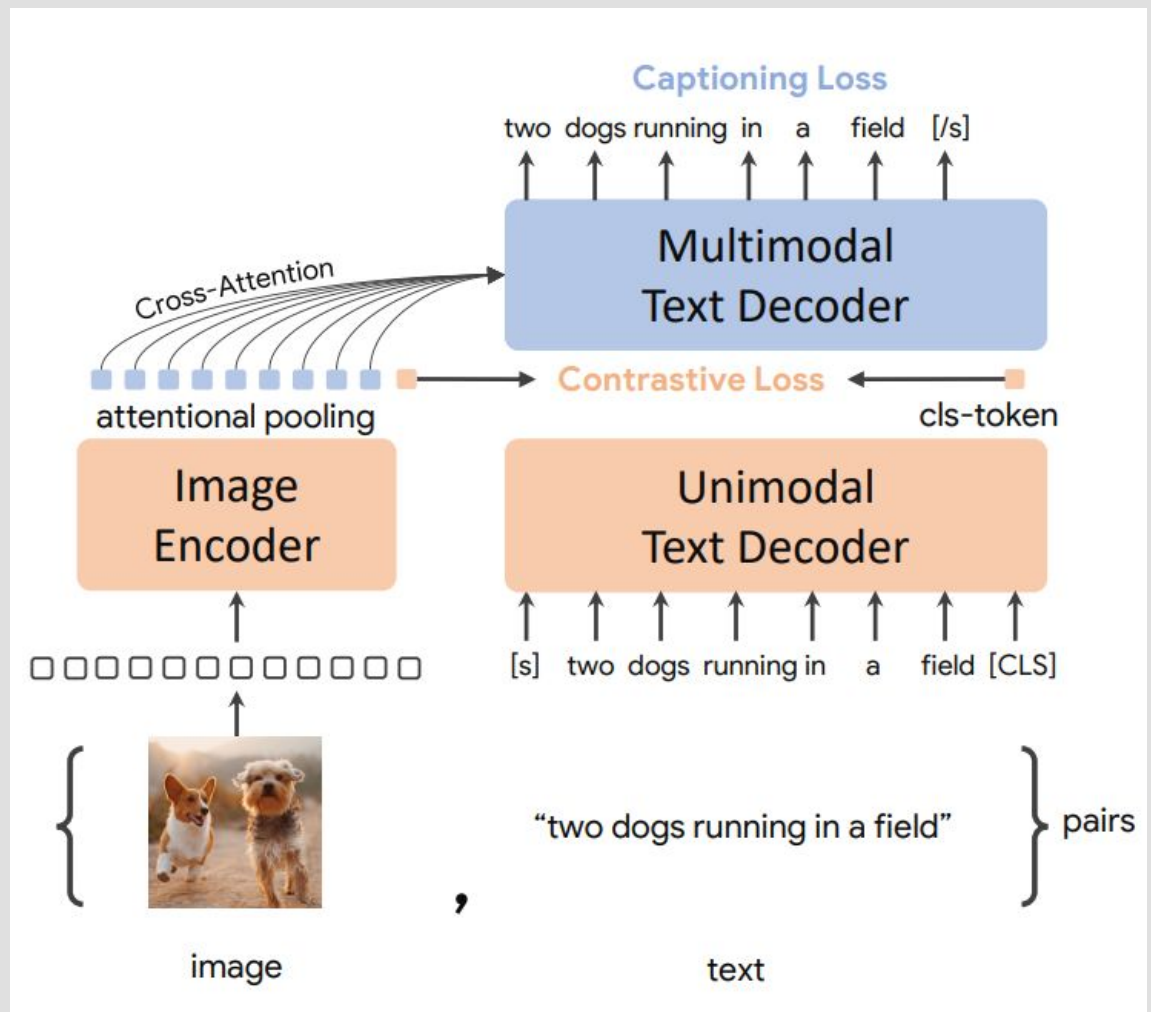
Contrastive Captioners

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Answer:
Trick question.
Training of these
three modules.

CoCa is a massive
pretrained model
for image-text
tasks.

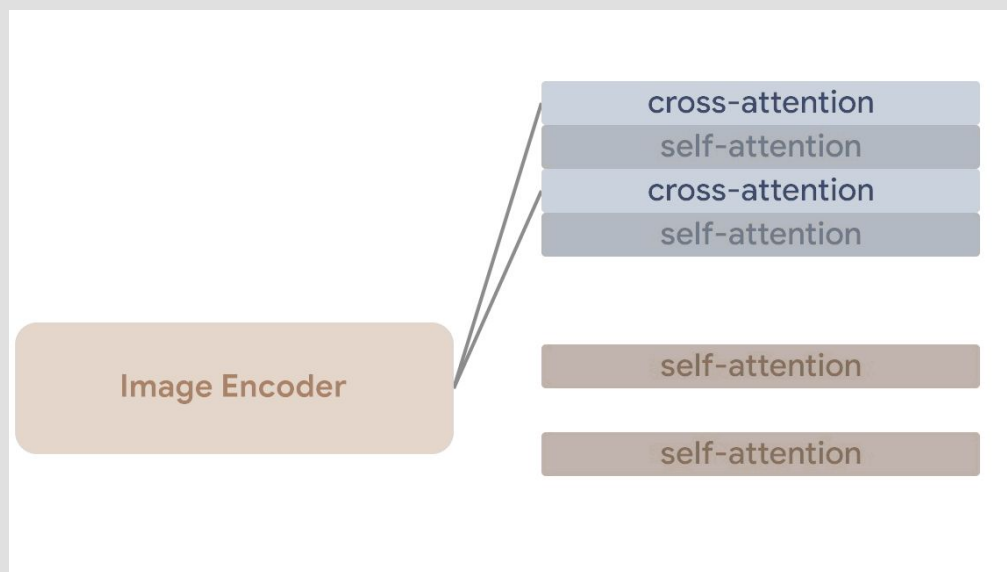
Data: JFT-3B and
ALIGN.



CoCa structure

Overall: 2.1B parameters.

- Image Encoder: ViT, 40 layers, 1B parameters.
- Text Decoders: 18 self-attention layers both, 1.1B parameters.
- Multimodal also has cross-attention layers in-between



How to use CoCa (for classification)

Step 1: Download pretrained model.

Step 2: Add a classifier layer.

(Frozen Evaluation)

Step 3a: Freeze all weights in encoder and add an additional layer after encoder to balance feature weights.

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ImageNet Accuracy:

#1 Finetuned Coca (2022) - 91%

#6 Frozen Coca (2022) - 90.6%

Why?

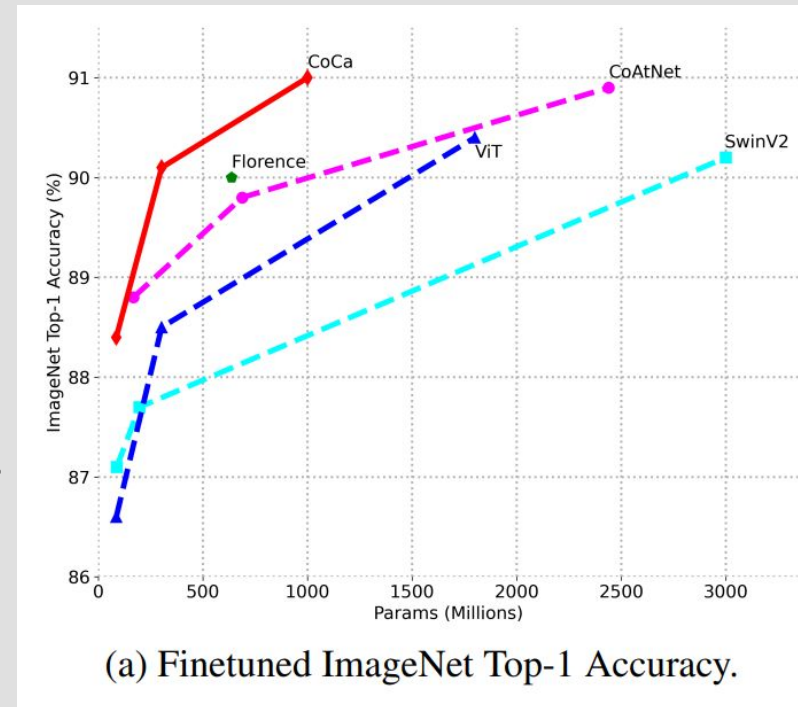


Why does Coca perform so well?

Different way of learning: Coca uses text training signals, while training the image encoder, thus learning better image representations.

ImageNet zero-shot classification accuracy table.

Model	ImageNet
CLIP [12]	76.2
ALIGN [13]	76.4
FILIP [61]	78.3
Florence [14]	83.7
LiT [32]	84.5
BASIC [33]	85.7
CoCa-Base	82.6
CoCa-Large	84.8
CoCa	86.3



State-of-the-art zero-shot learning.

CoCa-Base and CoCa-Large -
less layers in modules.



Types of tasks CoCa can solve

1. Image Classification.
2. Describing Images and Videos.
3. VQA (Visual Question Answering)
4. Basically anything with image and text in it.



a hand holding a san francisco 49ers football



a row of cannons with the eiffel tower in the background



a white van with a license plate that says we love flynn



a person sitting on a wooden bridge holding an umbrella



a truck is reflected in the side mirror of a car



How to use CoCa (for everything else)

Step 1: Download pretrained model.

VQA: Step 2: Train a linear classifier: final decoder output -> classes of most common answers in training data

Video: Step 2: Get several frames from the video.

Step 3: Run them through encoder.

Step 4: Attention pooling + Cross-entropy

Step Whatever: Profit.



Fun tables with CoCa

Model	ImageNet	Model	K-400	K-600	K-700	Moments-in-Time
ALIGN [13]	88.6	ViViT [53]	84.8	84.3	-	38.0
Florence [14]	90.1	MoViNet [54]	81.5	84.8	79.4	40.2
MetaPseudoLabels [51]	90.2	VATT [55]	82.1	83.6	-	41.1
CoAtNet [10]	90.9	Florence [14]	86.8	88.0	-	-
ViT-G [21]	90.5	MaskFeat [56]	87.0	88.3	80.4	-
+ Model Soups [52]	90.9	CoVeR [11]	87.2	87.9	78.5	46.1
CoCa (frozen)	90.6	CoCa (frozen)	88.0	88.5	81.1	47.4
CoCa (finetuned)	91.0	CoCa (finetuned)	88.9	89.4	82.7	49.0

Table 2: Image classification and video action recognition with frozen encoder or finetuned encoder.

Model	VQA		SNLI-VE		NLVR2	
	test-dev	test-std	dev	test	dev	test-p
UNITER [26]	73.8	74.0	79.4	79.4	79.1	80.0
VinVL [27]	76.6	76.6	-	-	82.7	84.0
CLIP-ViL [73]	76.5	76.7	80.6	80.2	-	-
ALBEF [36]	75.8	76.0	80.8	80.9	82.6	83.1
BLIP [37]	78.3	78.3	-	-	82.2	82.2
OFA [17]	79.9	80.0	90.3 [†]	90.2 [†]	-	-
VLMo [30]	79.9	80.0	-	-	85.6	86.9
SimVLM [16]	80.0	80.3	86.2	86.3	84.5	85.2
Florence [14]	80.2	80.4	-	-	-	-
METER [74]	80.3	80.5	-	-	-	-
CoCa	82.3	82.3	87.0	87.1	86.1	87.0

Table 3: Video question-answering results on the video question-answering dataset using the frozen CoCa encoder.



Model	Flickr30K (1K test set)						MSCOCO (5K test set)					
	Image \rightarrow Text			Text \rightarrow Image			Image \rightarrow Text			Text \rightarrow Image		
	R@1	R@5	R@10	R@1	R@5	R@10	R@1	R@5	R@10	R@1	R@5	R@10
CLIP [12]	88.0	98.7	99.4	68.7	90.6	95.2	58.4	81.5	88.1	37.8	62.4	72.2
ALIGN [13]	88.6	98.7	99.7	75.7	93.8	96.8	58.6	83.0	89.7	45.6	69.8	78.6
FLAVA [35]	67.7	94.0	-	65.2	89.4	-	42.7	76.8	-	38.4	67.5	-
FILIP [61]	89.8	99.2	99.8	75.0	93.4	96.3	61.3	84.3	90.4	45.9	70.6	79.3
Florence [14]	90.9	99.1	-	76.7	93.6	-	64.7	85.9	-	47.2	71.4	-
CoCa-Base	89.8	98.8	99.8	76.8	93.7	96.8	63.8	84.7	90.7	47.5	72.4	80.9
CoCa-Large	91.4	99.2	99.9	79.0	95.1	97.4	65.4	85.6	91.4	50.1	73.8	81.8
CoCa	92.5	99.5	99.9	80.4	95.7	97.7	66.3	86.2	91.8	51.2	74.2	82.0

Table 3: Zero-shot image-text retrieval results on Flickr30K [62] and MSCOCO [63] datasets.

Model	ImageNet	ImageNet-A	ImageNet-R	ImageNet-V2	ImageNet-Sketch	ObjectNet	Average
CLIP [12]	76.2	77.2	88.9	70.1	60.2	72.3	74.3
ALIGN [13]	76.4	75.8	92.2	70.1	64.8	72.2	74.5
FILIP [61]	78.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florence [14]	83.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
LiT [32]	84.5	79.4	93.9	78.7	-	81.1	-
BASIC [33]	85.7	85.6	95.7	80.6	76.1	78.9	83.7
CoCa-Base	82.6	76.4	93.2	76.5	71.7	71.6	78.7
CoCa-Large	84.8	85.7	95.6	79.6	75.7	78.6	83.3
CoCa	86.3	90.2	96.5	80.7	77.6	82.7	85.7

Table 4: Zero-shot image classification results on ImageNet [9], ImageNet-A [64], ImageNet-R [65], ImageNet-V2 [66], ImageNet-Sketch [67] and ObjectNet [68].



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