

MeasEval: Measurement Extraction from Scientific Texts

Literature Review

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Overview

- Brief Task Description
- Sequence Labeling
- Taxonomy of Approaches
- Rule-based models(2)
- biLSTM Models(2)
- Transformer applications(4)

Task Description

MeasEval

- **Input:** The *soda can*'s volume was 355 ml after I drank half the can.
- **Output:**
 - Quantity = 335 ml
 - Measured Entity = soda can
 - Measured Property = volume
 - Qualifier = after I drank half the can

More examples for quantity spans

- around 1300 m s⁻¹
- four transits
- range of 1.5–2.6 m
- 4.5 kg, 6 kg and 13 kg
- Standard Deviation
 - 2SD of $1.23 \pm 0.25\%$
- Tolerance
 - $9 \pm 6\%$.

Sequence Labeling

- Task of pattern recognition
- Labeling group of morphemes according to task
- Some subparts
 1. Part of Speech Tag(POS)
 2. Named Entity Recognition(NER)

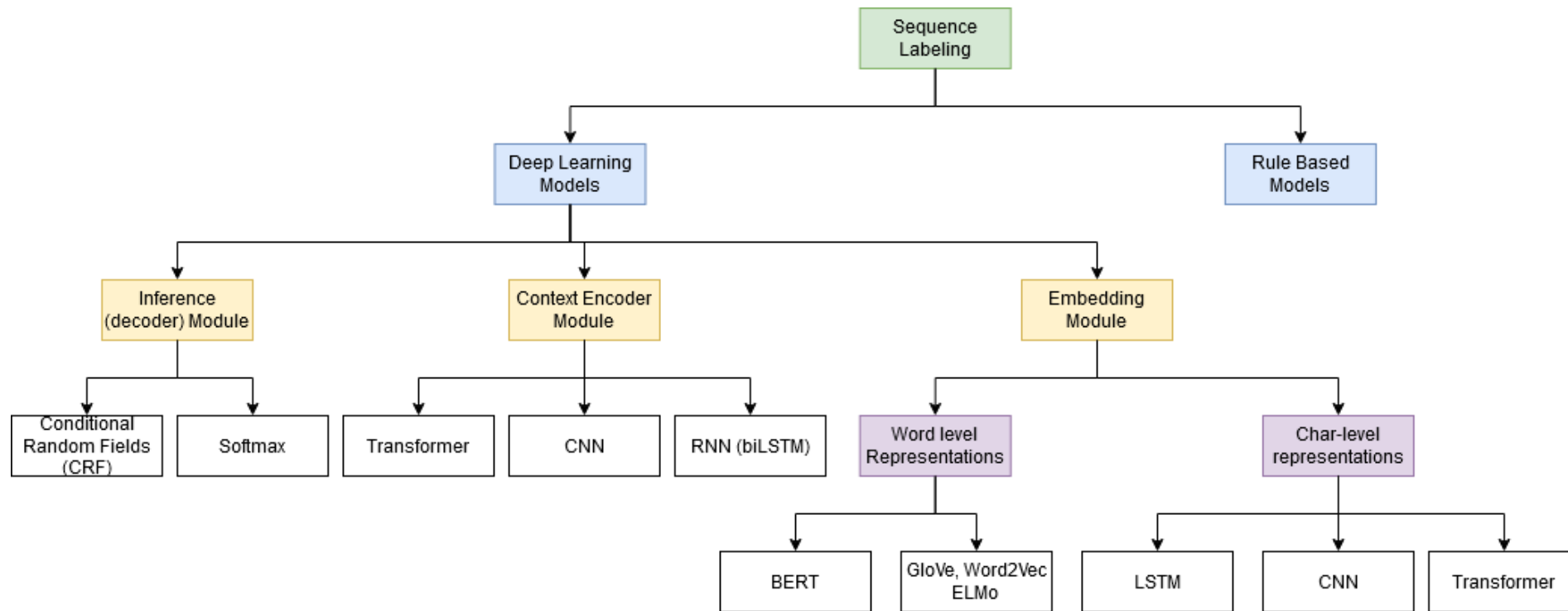


Albert Einstein **PER** Albert Einstein was born in **Ulm LOC** in **Germany LOC** on March 14, 1879. Six weeks later the family moved to **Munich LOC**, where he later on began his schooling at the **Luitpold Gymnasium ORG**. In 1896 he entered the **Swiss Federal Polytechnic School ORG** in **Zurich LOC** to be trained as a teacher in physics and mathematics.

Evaluation Metrics and Datasets

- Most used datasets
 - POS
 - Wall Street Journal (WSJ)
 - NER
 - CoNLL 2003
- Metrics
 - POS
 - Accuracy
 - NER
 - F1 score

Sequence Labeling Models



How to extract unit of measures in scientific texts?(2013) [1]



Approach

Locate units with supervised
Learning
Use string distance to extract
units



Data

35000 sentences from food
science domain



Results

Recall = 0.95



Problems

Limited to one area
Requires handcrafted features,
gazettes

Automated Detection of Measurements and Their Descriptors in Radiology Reports [2]



Motivation

Radiological reports are in free text format

Hard to extract measurements for treatment planning



Approach

CRF

rule based feature extraction



Data

1117 CT/MR training

100 CT/MR test



Results

$F_1 = 98.18$

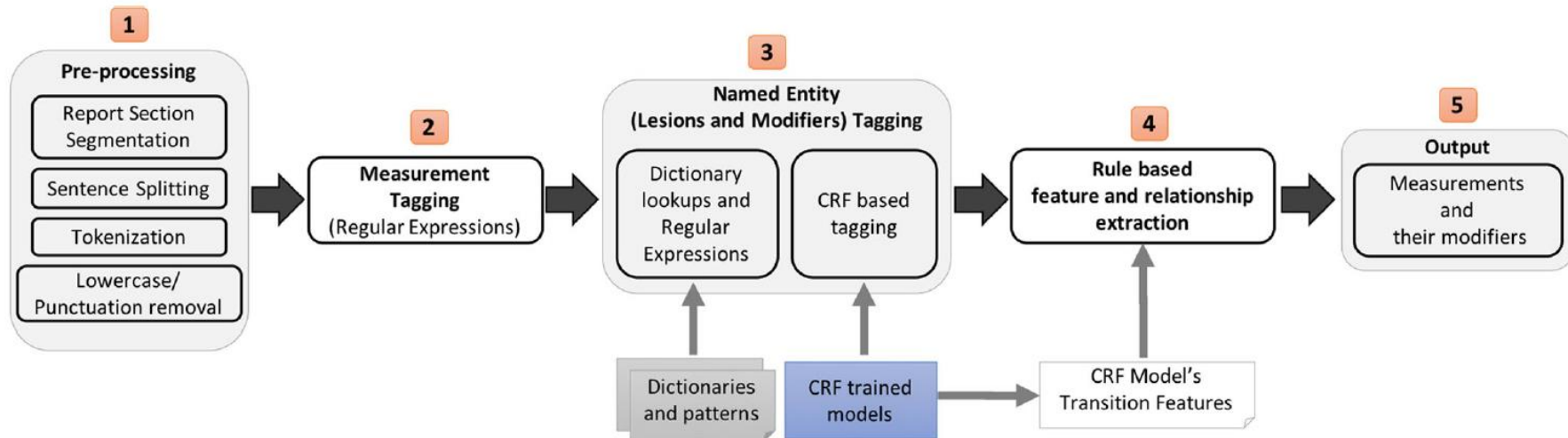


Problems

Domain Specific

Handcrafted Features

Not Generalizable



Proposed Pipeline

Neural Architectures for Named Entity Recognition[3]



Motivation

Neural architecture
no language specific resource
and features



Approach

Char Embedding (biLSTM)
Word Embeddings (Word2Vec)
BiLSTM
CRF



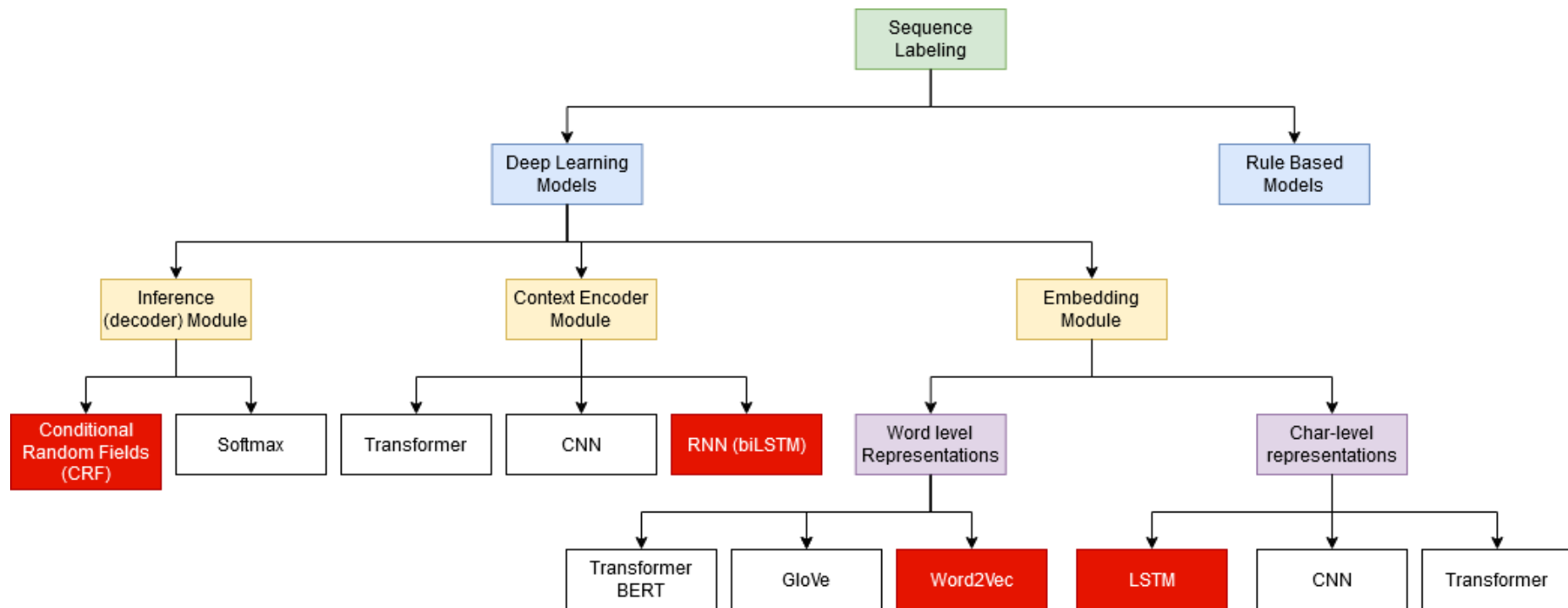
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CoNLL-2003

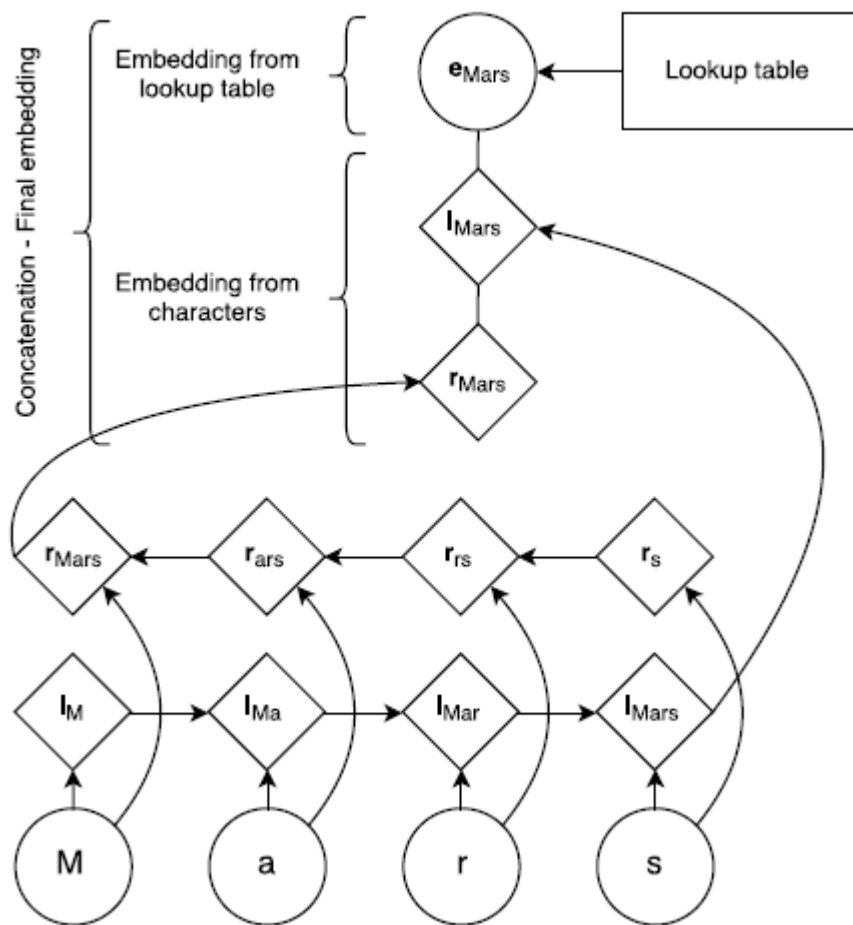


Results

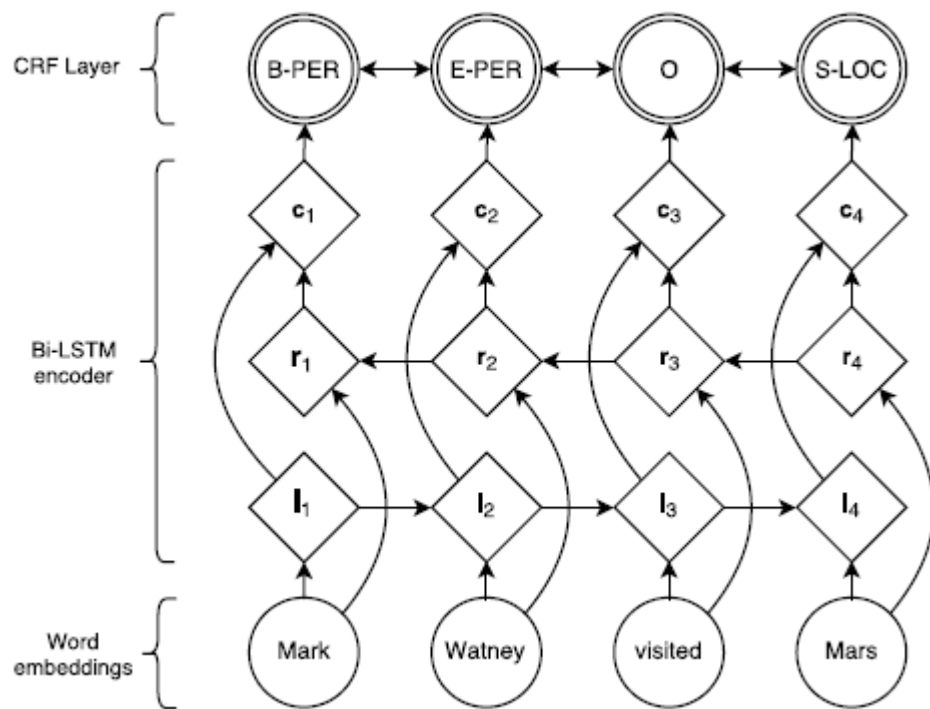
F1 =90.94



Character Embeddings (biLSTM)



Main Architecture



Results

Model	F ₁
Collobert et al. (2011)*	89.59
Lin and Wu (2009)	83.78
Lin and Wu (2009)*	90.90
Huang et al. (2015)*	90.10
Passos et al. (2014)	90.05
Passos et al. (2014)*	90.90
Luo et al. (2015)* + gaz	89.9
Luo et al. (2015)* + gaz + linking	91.2
Chiu and Nichols (2015)	90.69
Chiu and Nichols (2015)*	90.77
LSTM-CRF (no char)	90.20
LSTM-CRF	90.94
S-LSTM (no char)	87.96
S-LSTM	90.33

Table 1: English NER results (CoNLL-2003 test set). * indicates models trained with the use of external labeled data

End to end Sequence Labeling Via Bidirectional LSTM-CNNs- CRF [4]



Motivation

no task specific resource
no data processing
no feature engineering



Approach

Char Embedding (CNN)
Word Embeddings (GloVe)
BiLSTM
CRF



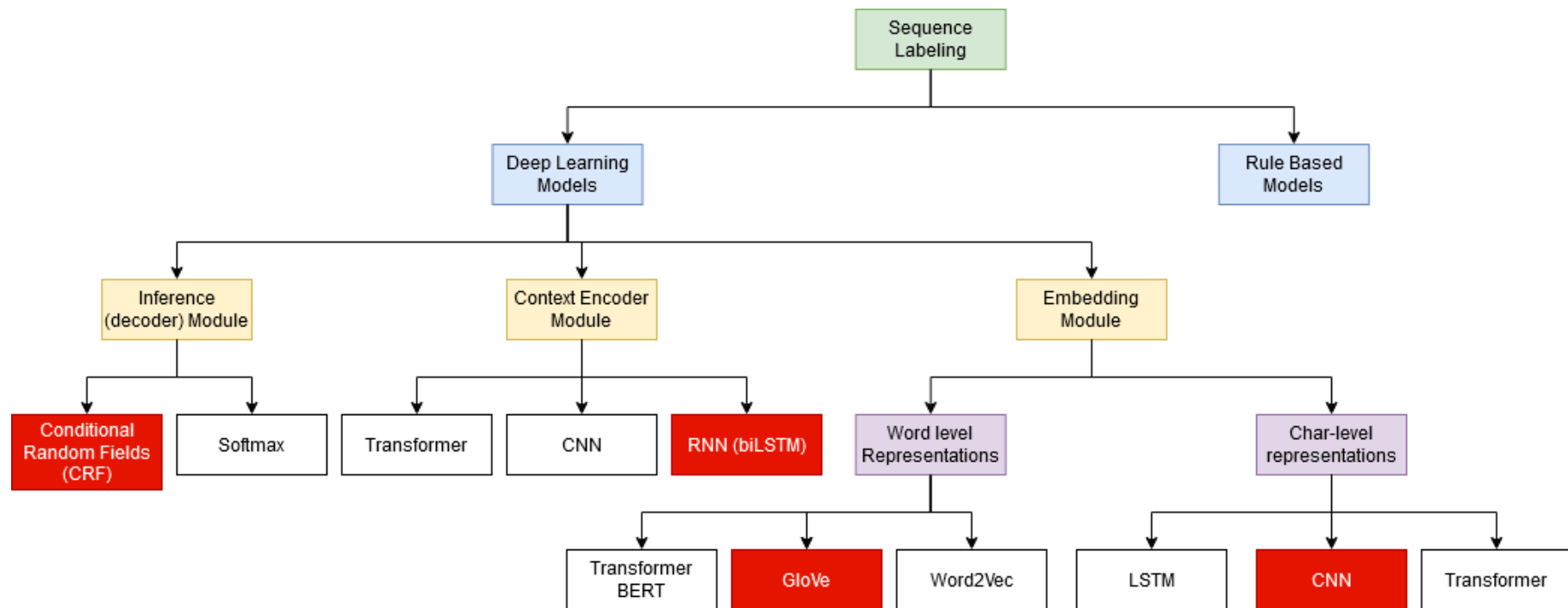
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CoNLL-2003

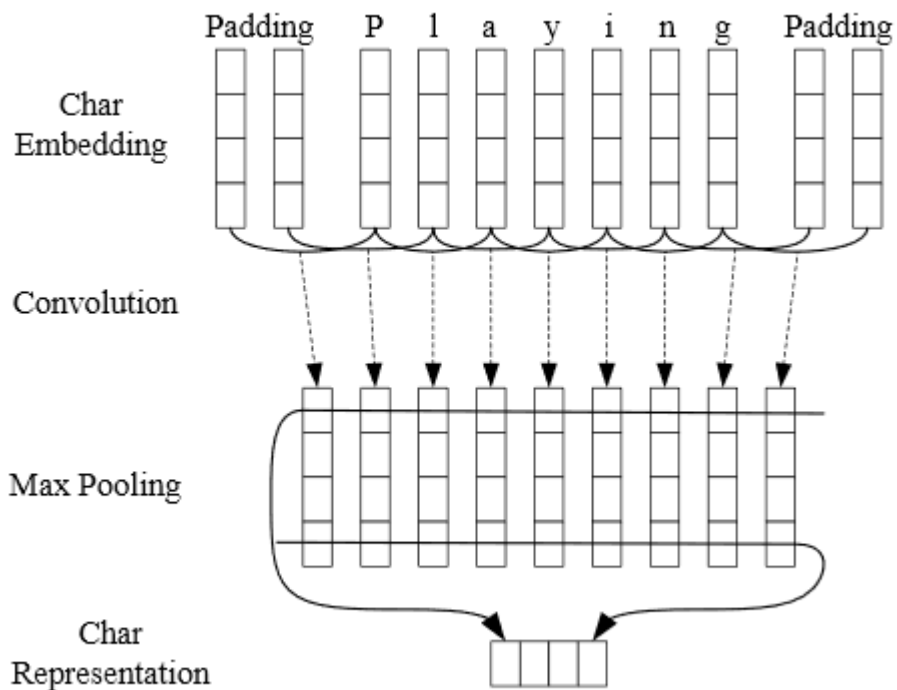


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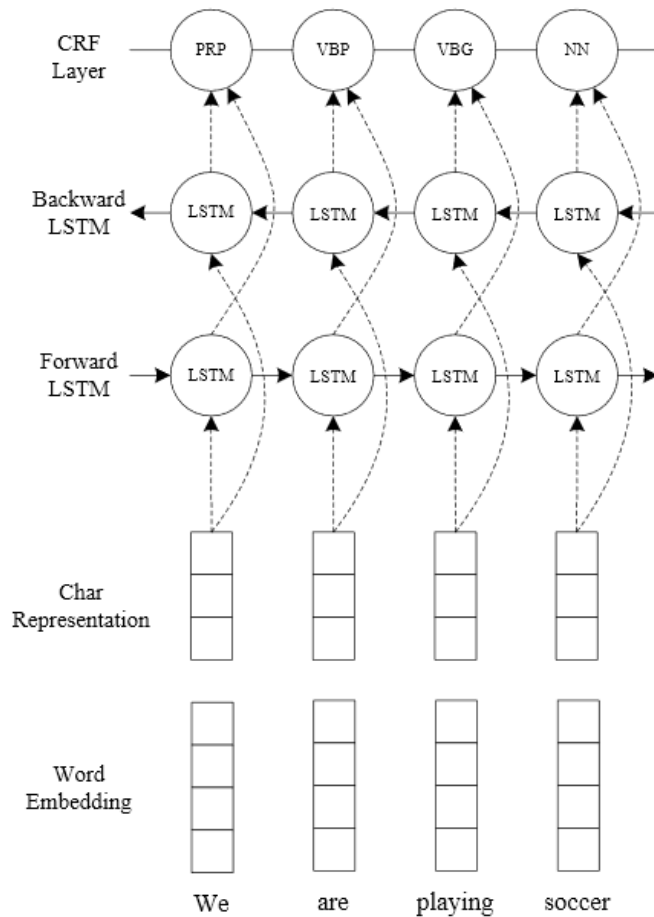
NER F1 = 91.21
POS Accuracy = 97.55



Character Embedding (CNN)



Main Architecture



Hyperparameters

Layer	Hyper-parameter	POS	NER
CNN	window size	3	3
	number of filters	30	30
LSTM	state size	200	200
	initial state	0.0	0.0
	peepholes	no	no
Dropout	dropout rate	0.5	0.5
	batch size	10	10
	initial learning rate	0.01	0.015
	decay rate	0.05	0.05
	gradient clipping	5.0	5.0

Table 1: Hyper-parameters for all experiments.

Dataset

Dataset		WSJ	CoNLL2003
Train	SENT	38,219	14,987
	TOKEN	912,344	204,567
Dev	SENT	5,527	3,466
	TOKEN	131,768	51,578
Test	SENT	5,462	3,684
	TOKEN	129,654	46,666

Table 2: Corpora statistics. SENT and TOKEN refer to the number of sentences and tokens in each data set.

Results for NER

Model	F1
Chieu and Ng (2002)	88.31
Florian et al. (2003)	88.76
Ando and Zhang (2005)	89.31
Collobert et al. (2011) [‡]	89.59
Huang et al. (2015) [‡]	90.10
Chiu and Nichols (2015) [‡]	90.77
Ratinov and Roth (2009)	90.80
Lin and Wu (2009)	90.90
Passos et al. (2014)	90.90
Lample et al. (2016) [‡]	90.94
Luo et al. (2015)	91.20
This paper	91.21

- Reference to 3

Results for POS

Model	Acc.
Giménez and Màrquez (2004)	97.16
Toutanova et al. (2003)	97.27
Manning (2011)	97.28
Collobert et al. (2011) [‡]	97.29
Santos and Zadrozny (2014) [‡]	97.32
Shen et al. (2007)	97.33
Sun (2014)	97.36
Søgaard (2011)	97.50
This paper	97.55

Table 4: POS tagging accuracy of our model on test data from WSJ proportion of PTB, together with top-performance systems. The neural network based models are marked with [‡].

Star-Transformer



Motivation

Decreasing the complexity of Transformer $O(n^2)$
capturing local composition and long dependencies using attention mechanism



Approach

Char Embedding
Star Transformer
CRF



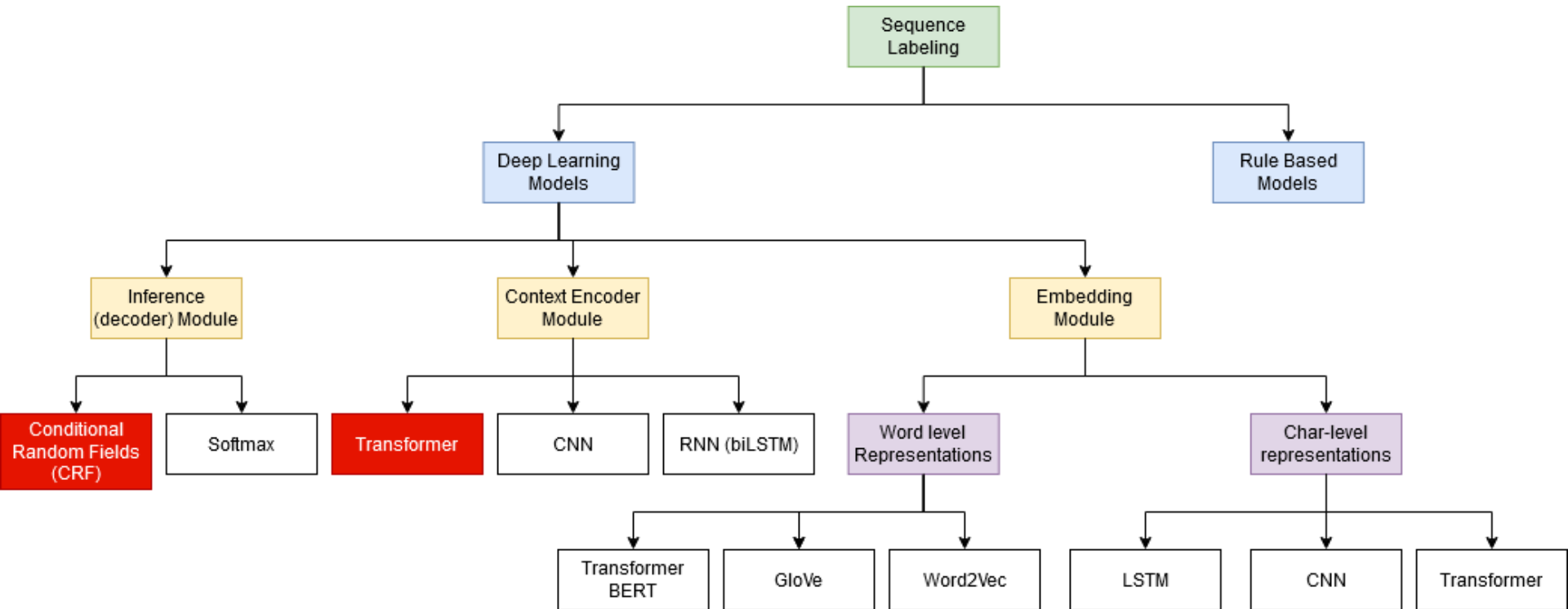
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CoNLL-2003

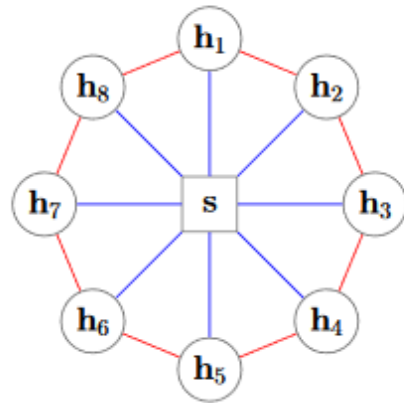
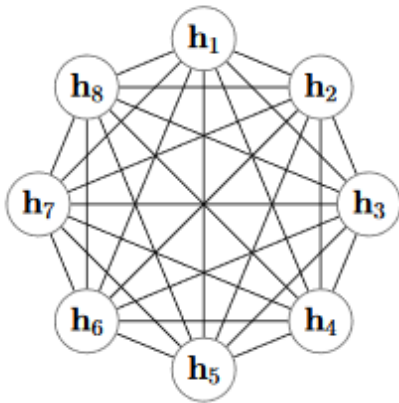


Results

NER F1 = 91.98
POS Accuracy = 97.68



Architecture



Virtual relay node
Satellite nodes

Final state of satellite nodes H_T are given to
CRF Layer to label the words

Results Comparison

Model	Adv Tech		POS	NER	
			PTB	CoNLL2003	CoNLL2012
	char	CRF	Acc	F1	F1
(Ling et al., 2015)	✓	✓	97.78	-	-
(Collobert et al., 2011)	✓	✓	97.29	89.59	-
(Huang et al., 2015)	✓	✓	97.55	90.10	-
(Chiu and Nichols, 2016a)	✓	✓	-	90.69	86.35
(Ma and Hovy, 2016)	✓	✓	97.55	91.06	-
(Nguyen et al., 2016)	✓	✓	-	91.2	-
(Chiu and Nichols, 2016b)	✓	✓	-	91.62	86.28
(Zhang et al., 2018)	✓	✓	97.55	91.57	-
(Akhundov et al., 2018)	✓	✓	97.43	91.11	87.84
Transformer			96.31	86.48	83.57
Transformer + Char	✓		97.04	88.26	85.14
Star-Transformer			97.14	90.93	86.30
Star-Transformer + Char	✓		97.64	91.89	87.64
Star-Transformer + Char + CRF	✓	✓	97.68	91.98	87.88

- Reference to 4

A Survey on Recent Advances in Sequence Labeling from Deep Learning Models [6]

Method	F1-score
Collobert et al. 2011 [17]	88.67%
Kuru et al. 2016 [50]	84.52%
Chiu and Nichols 2016 [13]	90.91%
Lample et al. 2016 [52]	90.94%
Ma and Hovy 2016 [71]	91.21%
Rei 2017 [91]	86.26%
Strubell et al. 2017 [104]	90.54%
Zhang et al. 2017 [126]	90.70%
Tran et al. 2017 [109]	91.23%
Wang et al. 2017 [113]	91.24%
Sato et al. 2017 [101]	91.28%
Shen et al. 2018 [103]	90.69%
Zhang et al. 2018 [127]	91.22%
Liu et al. 2018 [65]	91.24%
Ye and Ling 2018 [122]	91.38%
Gregoric et al. 2018 [26]	91.48%
Zhang et al. 2018 [128]	91.57%
Xin et al. 2018 [116]	91.64%
Hu et al. 2019 [34]	91.40%
Chen et al. 2019 [10]	91.44%
Yan et al. 2019 [118]	91.45%
Liu et al. 2019 [67]	91.96%
Luo et al. 2020 [68]	91.96%
Jiang et al. 2020 [39]	92.2%
Li et al. 2020 [58]	92.67%

NER task on CoNLL 2003

POSTagging

External resources	Method	Accuracy
None	Collobert et al. 2011 [17]	97.29%
	Santos et al. 2014 [99]	97.32%
	Huang et al. 2015 [35]	97.55%
	Ling et al. 2015 [62]	97.78%
	Plank et al.2016 [88]	97.22%
	Rei et al. 2016 [92]	97.27%
	Vaswani et al. 2016 [110]	97.40%
	Andor et al. 2016 [2]	97.44%
	Ma and Hovy 2016 [71]	97.55%
	Ma and Sun 2016 [70]	97.56%
	Rei 2017 [91]	97.43%
	Yang et al. 2017 [120]	97.55%
	Kazi and Thompson 2017 [42]	97.37%
	Bohnet et al. 2018 [8]	97.96%
	Yasunaga et al. 2018 [121]	97.55%
	Liu et al. 2018 [65]	97.53%
	Zhang et al. 2018 [127]	97.59%
	Xin et al. 2018 [116]	97.58%
	Zhang et al. 2018 [128]	97.55%
	Hu et al. 2019 [34]	97.52%
	Cui et al. 2019 [18]	97.65%
Unlabeled Word Corpus	Jiang et al. 2020 [39]	97.7%
	Akbik et al. 2018 [1]	97.85%
	Clark et al. 2018 [15]	97.7%

POS tagging on PTB portion of WSJ data

TENER: Adapting Transformer Encoder for NER



Motivation

Transformer's low performance on NER



Approach

Char Embedding (Transformer)
Word Embeddings (GloVe)
Transformer
CRF



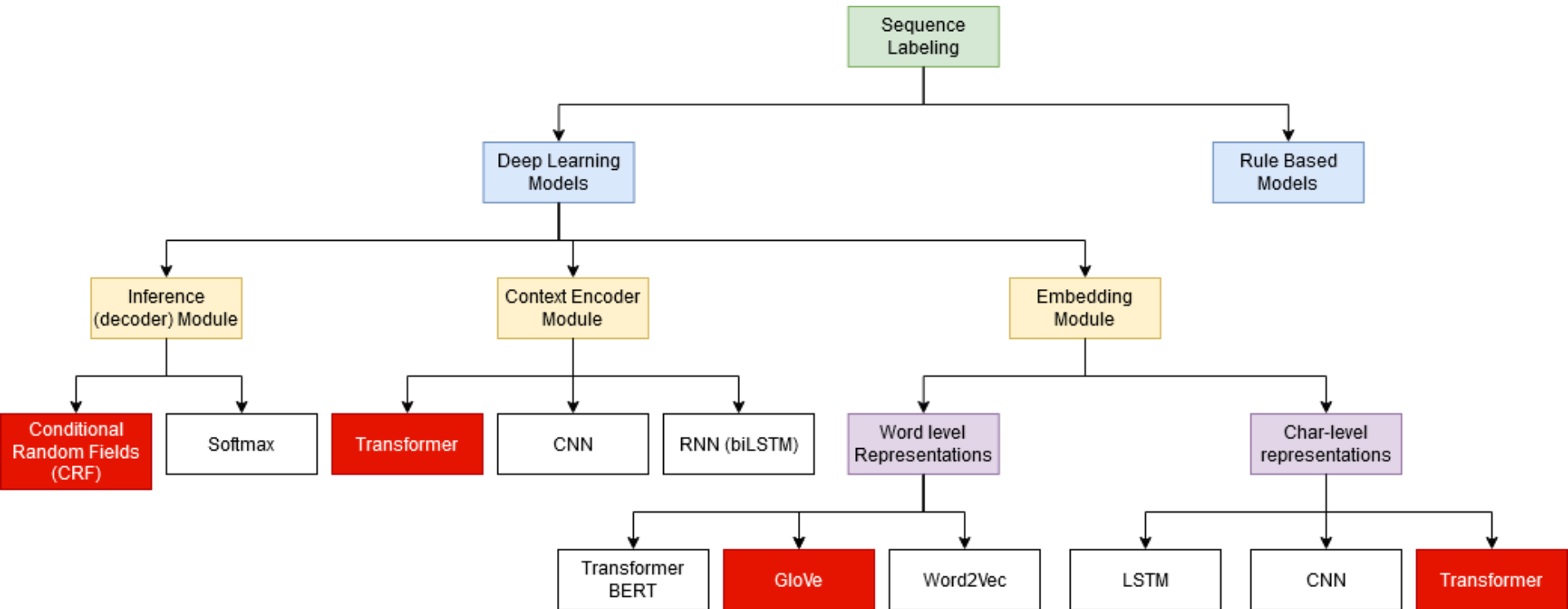
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CoNLL-2003



Results

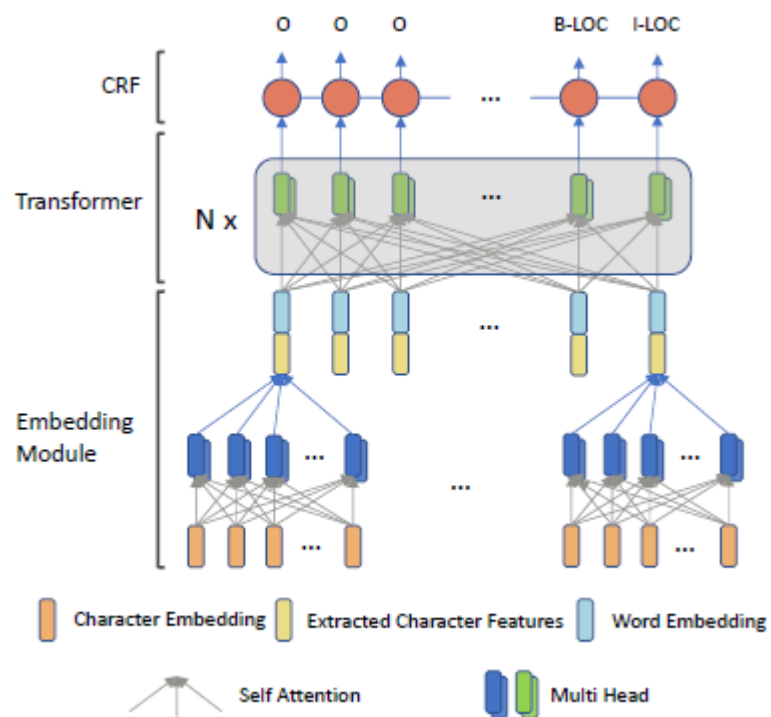
NER F1 =91.45



Why transformers perform poorly on NER?

- 1. unaware of directionality
- 2. self attention is not aware of positions of different tokens
- 3. attention distribution is smooth and scaled
 - for NER sparse attention is suitable since all word not need to be attended
- Solution
 - abandon scale factor
 - use unscaled sharp attention

Architecture



Architecture

- Embedding Layer
 - CNN more efficient than BiLSTM
- Encoding Layer with Adapted Transformer
 - direction and distance aware
 - BiLSTM uses both sides
 - Transformer cannot distinguish which side the context information comes from
 - therefore, they changed the model
 - unscaled dot product attention
 - removed the scaling factor
 - sharper attention
 - beneficial only few words are named entities
- CRF

Results

Models	CoNLL2003	OntoNotes 5.0
BiLSTM-CRF (Huang et al., 2015)	88.83	
CNN-BiLSTM-CRF (Chiu and Nichols, 2016)	90.91 ± 0.20	86.12 ± 0.22
BiLSTM-BiLSTM-CRF (Lample et al., 2016)	90.94	
CNN-BiLSTM-CRF (Ma and Hovy, 2016)	91.21	
ID-CNN (Strubell et al., 2017)	90.54 ± 0.18	86.84 ± 0.19
LM-LSTM-CRF (Liu et al., 2018)	91.24 ± 0.12	
CRF+HSCRF (Ye and Ling, 2018)	91.26 ± 0.1	
BiLSTM-BiLSTM-CRF (Akhundov et al., 2018)	91.11	
LS+BiLSTM-CRF (Ghaddar and Langlais, 2018)	90.52 ± 0.20	86.57 ± 0.1
CN ³ (Liu et al., 2019)	91.1	
GRN (Chen et al., 2019)	91.44 ± 0.16	87.67 ± 0.17
Transformer	89.57 ± 0.12	86.73 ± 0.07
TENER (Ours)	91.33 ± 0.05	88.43 ± 0.12
w/ scale	91.06 ± 0.09	87.94 ± 0.1
w/ CNN-char	91.45 ± 0.07	88.25 ± 0.11

Different Word and Character level Embeddings

<div>Word Char</div>	BiLSTM	ID-CNN	AdaTrans
No Char	88.34 ± 0.32	87.30 ± 0.15	88.37 ± 0.27
BiLSTM	91.32 ± 0.13	89.99 ± 0.14	91.29 ± 0.12
CNN	91.22 ± 0.10	90.17 ± 0.02	91.45 ± 0.07
Transformer	91.12 ± 0.10	90.05 ± 0.13	91.23 ± 0.06
AdaTrans	91.38 ± 0.15	89.99 ± 0.05	91.33 ± 0.05

(a) CoNLL2003

- Problem with CNN for Char Embedding
 - cannot solve patterns with uncontinuous patterns
 - un....ily
 - unhappily unnecessarily
- Transformer captures these patterns

8. Scientific BERT SCIBERT



Motivation

Pretraining language model for scientific texts
Using BERT



Approach

Word Embeddings (BERT)
BiLSTM
CRF



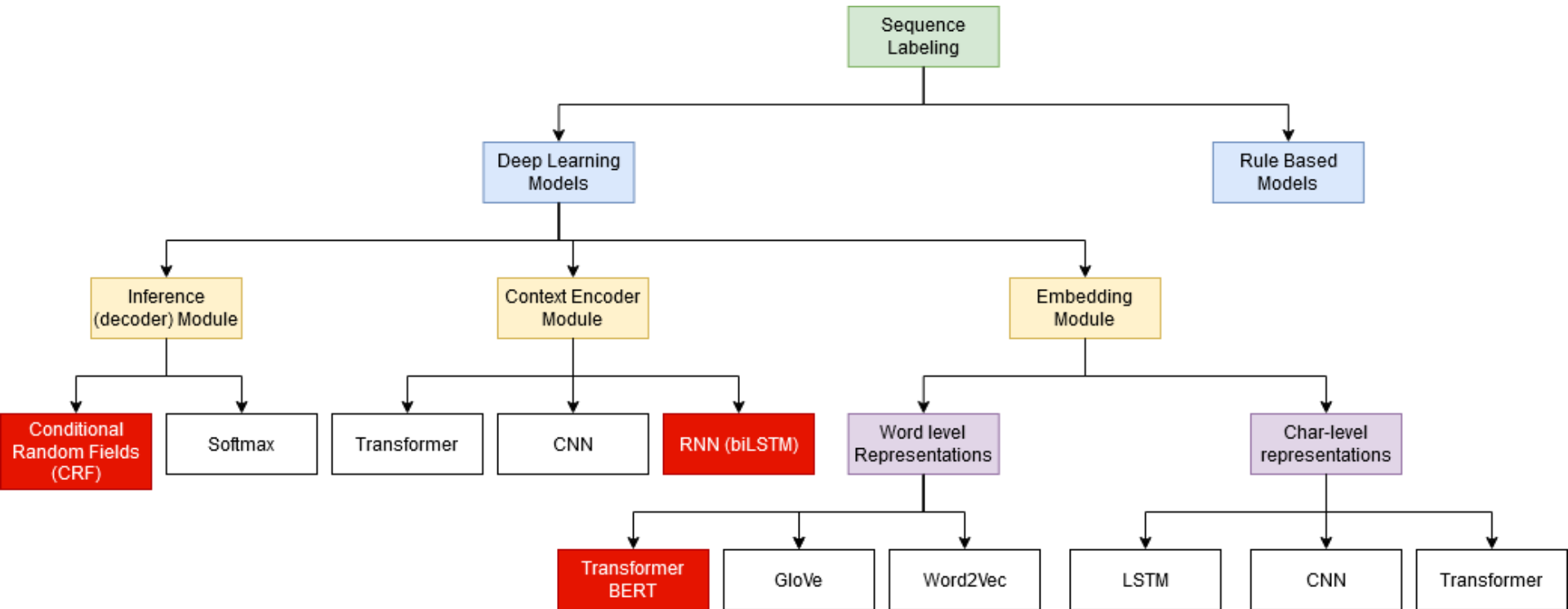
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SciERC (CS domain)
EBM-NLP (biomedical domain)



Results

Biomedical : 1.1% increase in F1
score with respect to SOA
CS: 2.5% increase in F1 score with
respect to SOA



Results

Field	Task	Dataset	SOTA	BERT-Base		SciBERT	
				Frozen	Finetune	Frozen	Finetune
Bio	NER	BC5CDR (Li et al., 2016)	88.85 ⁷	85.08	86.72	88.73	90.01
		JNLPBA (Collier and Kim, 2004)	78.58	74.05	76.09	75.77	77.28
		NCBI-disease (Dogan et al., 2014)	89.36	84.06	86.88	86.39	88.57
	PICO	EBM-NLP (Nye et al., 2018)	66.30	61.44	71.53	68.30	72.28
	DEP	GENIA (Kim et al., 2003) - LAS	91.92	90.22	90.33	90.36	90.43
		GENIA (Kim et al., 2003) - UAS	92.84	91.84	91.89	92.00	91.99
REL	ChemProt (Kringelum et al., 2016)	76.68	68.21	79.14	75.03	83.64	
CS	NER	SciERC (Luan et al., 2018)	64.20	63.58	65.24	65.77	67.57
	REL	SciERC (Luan et al., 2018)	n/a	72.74	78.71	75.25	79.97
	CLS	ACL-ARC (Jurgens et al., 2018)	67.9	62.04	63.91	60.74	70.98
Multi	CLS	Paper Field	n/a	63.64	65.37	64.38	65.71
		SciCite (Cohan et al., 2019)	84.0	84.31	84.85	85.42	85.49
Average				73.58	77.16	76.01	79.27

Small and Practical BERT Models for Sequence Labeling



Motivation

Faster smaller sequence labeling
models for multilingual datasets



Approach

3 Layer BERT



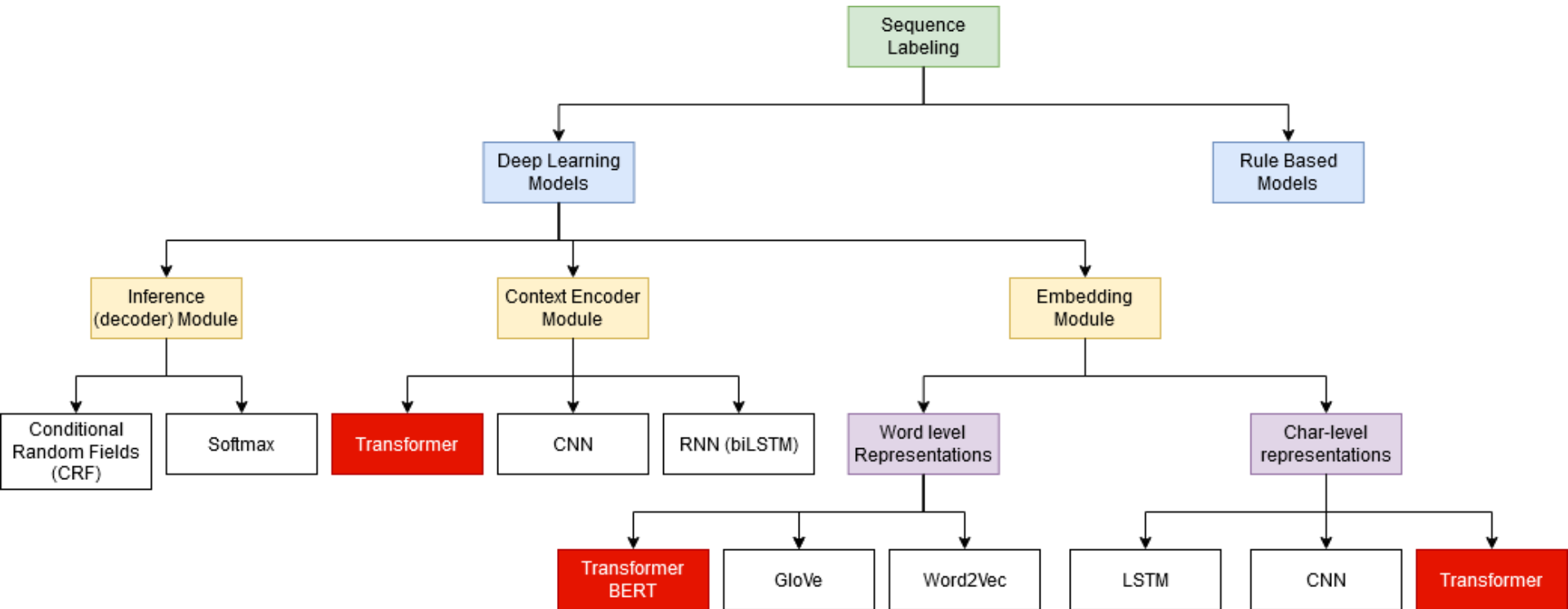
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CoNLL-2018



Results

POS Accuracy = 94.5



Results

Model	Multilingual?	Part-of-Speech F1	Morphology F1
Meta-LSTM	No	94.5	92.5
BERT	No	95.1	93.0
Meta-LSTM	Yes	91.1	82.9
BERT	Yes	94.5	91.0

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