

M2 : Meshed-Memory Transformer for Image Captioning

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What ?

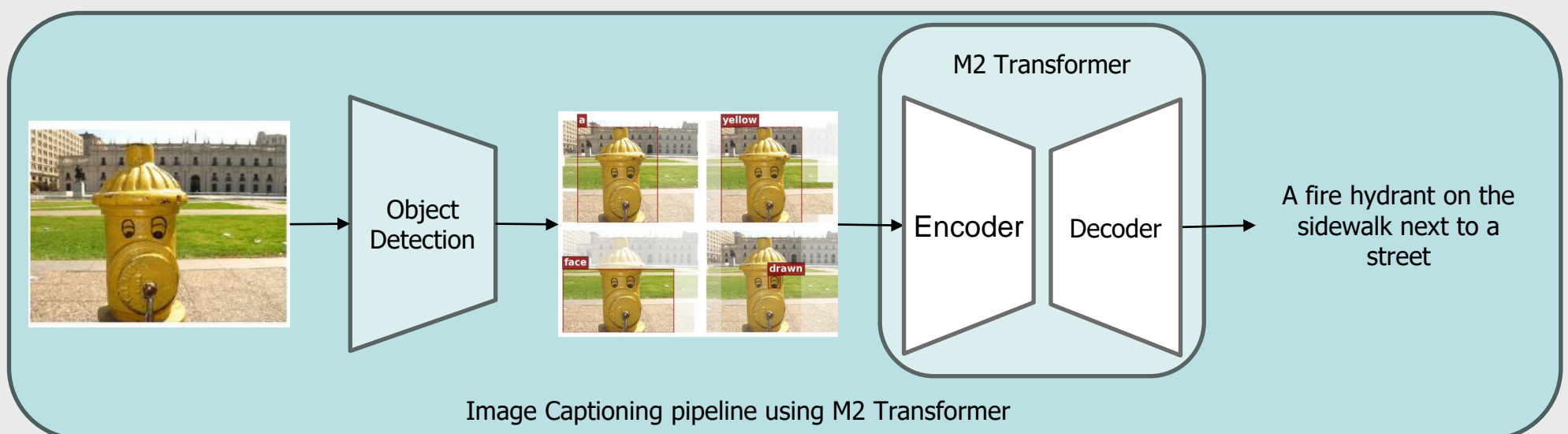
We introduce an image captioning algorithm, in which we have:

- Proposed a novel image captioning algorithm to generating caption from the objects in the image based on the **robust** Transformer architecture.
- Compare our model with different fully-attentive architectures for image captioning.

Why ?

- **Image captioning** can assist **social media** platforms with determining the content of images uploaded by users. This act may be useful in resolving issues such as **incorrect information, sensual behavior, and unsuitable standards**. Image captioning may also assist people **pick the best image by inputting keywords**.
- Transformer architecture is used in most of state-of-the-art methods in both Computer Vision and Natural Language Processing

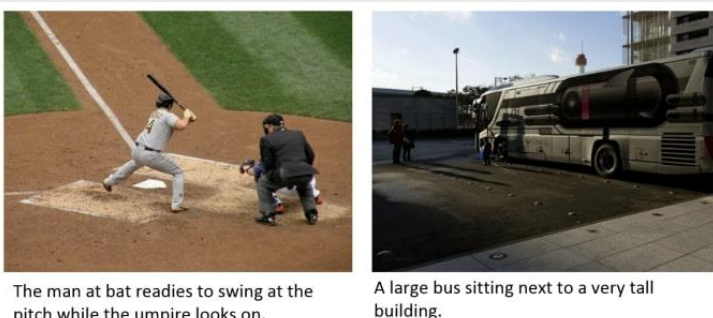
Overview



Description

1. Image Captioning

- Image Captioning is a problem in which the model has to generate the caption that related to the input image.
- Image Captioning is a hard problem due to the combination of two big tasks: Computer Vision and Natural Language Processing.



Samples from COCO Captions (Image Captioning Dataset)

2. Object Detection

- The objects in the input image can be detected using the object detection model.
- The output of the object detection model are several detected objects. Those detected objects will be put to the Captioning Generation module.



3. Captioning Generation

- We used Transformer architecture as a base to generate the caption.
- The detected objects are the inputs for the M2 Transformer.
- The output of the M2 Transformer will be the sequence of words that describes the content of the input image

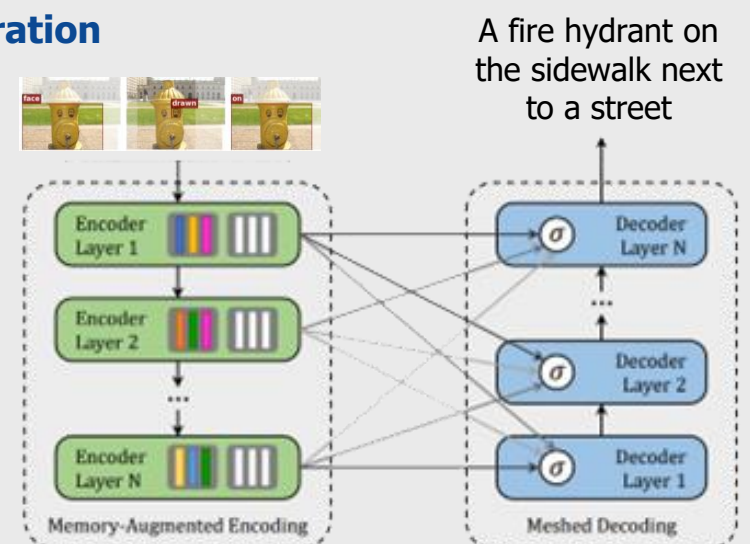


Image Captioning using Transformer architecture

4. Expected Results

- A report about the M2-Transformer, the experiment result in which comparing the the M2-Transformer with another variants.
- A Graphical User Interface for easier usage.