Medical Visual Question Answering

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Abstract

The Visual Question Answering(VQA) domain explores the problem of answering questions regarding images. VQA in the medical domain(Med-VQA), has enormous potential and applications in the medical industry, such as assisting doctors in the field of radiology. Present Med-VQA frameworks employ deep learning approaches and image and question classification techniques. However, the quantity and diversity of questions and images in the medical domain, makes the task of Med-VQA challenging. Here we present our Med-VQA framework evaluated using the SLAKE dataset, which contains 642 images and 14,028 questions, which is larger compared to other datasets such as VQA-RAD which has 315 images and 3,515 questions. We use pre-trained VGG16 model for obtaining image features. GloVe word embeddings and LSTMs are used for obtaining question features. The questions are classified into two, the image and question features are then concatenated together, which is then passed to a classifier to obtain the answers. Our model has reached an accuracy of 64.66% and 61.39% for open and closed-ended questions respectively.