A Multitask Framework for Sentiment, Emotion and Sarcasm aware Cyberbullying Detection from Multi-modal Code-Mixed Memes

Cyberbully Detection Project

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Introduction

Cyberbullying and Memes I

- Cyberbullying: Involves serious, intentional, and repetitive acts of cruelty towards others through digital platforms such as Instagram and Twitter.
- Memes as a Medium: While individual text or images might not fully convey information, their combination in memes provides a richer context and can be used for cyberbullying.
- Consequences: The effects of cyberbullying can lead to significant issues, including anxiety, depression, and emotional distress.
- Importance of Early Detection: Identifying cyberbullying early is crucial for implementing effective measures to address and mitigate its impact.
- Advancing Detection Methods: Given that memes consist of multi-modal content (image + text), utilizing advanced multi-modal models and NLP techniques can yield promising results for more accurate detection and analysis.

Cyberbullying and Memes II

- Various multimodal framerowks have been proposed
- BERT + ResNet Feedback and CLIP-CentralNet
- Cyberbully Detection (CD), Sentiment Analysis(SA), Emotion Recognition(ER), Sarcasm Detection(SAR)
- A new dataset has been made called MultiBully, each data point having a harmfullness score

Related Work

Works on Monolingual Datasets I

Study	Data Source	Methodology/Tools	Results
Dinakar et al. [1]	4,500 YouTube com-	Binary classifiers	SVM: 66.70%, Naive Bayes:
	ments	(SVM, Naive Bayes)	63%
Reynolds et al. [2]	Formspring.me	Weka toolkit, C4.5	78.5% accuracy
		decision tree	
Djuric et al. [3]	Yahoo Finance com-	Paragraph2vec,	80.01% accuracy
	ments	CBOW	
Balakrishnan et al.	Twitter users	Psychological char-	91.7% accuracy
[4]		acteristics, Machine	
		Learning	
Paul et al. [5]	Formspring (12k	BERT-based frame-	State-of-the-art results;
	posts), Twitter (16k	work (cyberBERT)	BERT pooled output (CLS
	posts), Wikipedia		token) dimension: 768
	(100k posts)		

Works on mixed code dataset I

Study	Data Source	Methodology/Tools	Results
Kumar et al. [6]	18k tweets, 21k Facebook	Aggression-annotated corpus	Data used for aggression an-
	comments (Hindi-English		notation
	code-mixed)		
Bohra et al. [7]	4,575 tweets (code-mixed)	SVM classifier with features:	71.7% accuracy
		word n-grams, punctuations,	
		character n-grams, hate lexi-	
		con, negation words	
Satyajit et al. [8]	Hindi-English code-mixed	Deep learning approach with	12% improvement in F1
	corpus	domain-specific word embed-	score over base model
		ding	
Maity et al. [9]	Code-mixed Indian language	Deep learning architectures:	79.28% accuracy
	dataset	BERT, CNN, GRU, capsule	
		networks	

Works on Sentiment, Emotion and Sarcasm aware Multitasking I

Study	Focus	Methodology/Tools	Results
Saha.T et al. [10]	Multi-modal tweet act classi-	Multi-task ensemble adver-	TAC significantly outper-
	fication (TAC)	sarial learning framework forms uni-modal and sin	
			task TAC variants
Soumitra et al. [11]	Emotion classification on sui-	Multi-task learning architec-	Improved overall perfor-
	cide notes	ture with external knowledge	mance
Dushyant Singh et al.	Sarcasm detection analysis	Multi-task framework	Analyzed effects of sentiment
[12]		with Inter-segment and	and emotion on sarcasm de-
		Intra-segment attention	tection
		mechanisms	
Lewis et al. and	Cyberbullying detection	Attention-based multitask	Investigated sentiment and
Maity et al. [13,14]	from Hinglish code-mixed	models	emotion for cyberbullying
	text		identification

Works on Meme Datasets I

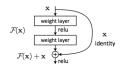
Study	Data Source	Methodology/Tools	Results
Kiela et al. [15]	Benchmark multimodal	Visual-BERT	69.47% testing accuracy
	meme dataset		
Gomez et al. [16]	Tweets with image and text	Manual annotation for hate	Multimodal dataset for hate
	(MMHS150K)	speech	speech detection
Bharathi et al. [17]	Multi-modal (Image+Text)	Early fusion approach for im-	Compared performance with
	Meme Dataset (MultiOFF)	age and text modalities	text-only and image-only
			baselines
Shraman.P et al. [18]	3,544 memes (HarMeme)	Detection of harmful memes	Dataset for detecting harm-
		(very harmful, partially	ful memes and their targets
		harmful, harmless)	

Priliminaries



ResNet I

- ResNet (Residual Network): A deep neural network architecture introduced in 2015 by He et al.. Motivation: Deeper networks should theoretically perform better, but they often suffer from vanishing/exploding gradient problems, making it difficult to train.
- Key Innovation: Introduction of Residual Connections (or skip connections) to allow gradients to flow directly through the network, preventing degradation as the network depth increases.



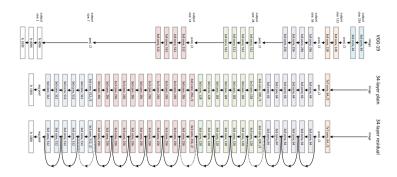
Residual Block

 \bullet Standard deep network layer: Input x passes through several convolutional layers.

ResNet II

- ullet Residual connection: Input x bypasses these layers and is added directly to the output.
- The final output of the block is F(x) + x, where F(x) is the transformation applied by the convolutional layers. Block Types:
- Identity Block: Shortcut connection skips over layers when input and output dimensions are the same.
- Convolutional Block: Shortcut connection with a convolution is used to adjust dimensions when they differ.

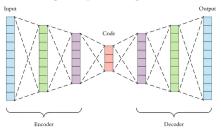
ResNet III





Encoder-Decoder I

- Encoder-Decoder Framework: A neural network architecture designed for sequence-to-sequence tasks, where input and output sequences can have different lengths.
- **Key Concept**: The **encoder** processes the input sequence into a fixed-size vector (latent representation), while the **decoder** generates the output sequence based on this vector.
- Applications: Used in tasks like machine translation, text summarization, and image captioning.



Encoder-Decoder II

• Encoder Role:

- Processes the input sequence and extracts key features.
- Produces a **context vector** (latent representation).
- Implemented using RNNs, LSTMs, GRUs, or transformers.

Decoder Role:

- Takes the context vector and generates the output sequence.
- Operates step-by-step, predicting the next output token.
- Sequence Length Flexibility: Can handle variable-length input and output sequences, making it versatile for tasks like translation.
- Attention Mechanism: Improves performance by allowing the decoder to focus on specific parts of the input sequence during generation.

• Variants:

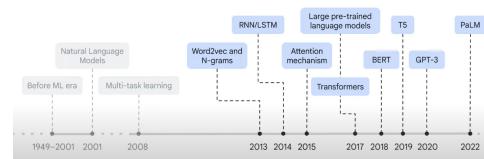
- RNN-based: Traditional models use RNNs, LSTMs, or GRUs for encoding and decoding.
- Transformer-based: Models like BERT and GPT use self-attention to improve performance and parallelization.

Encoder-Decoder III

- Bidirectional Encoders: Some encoders (e.g., BiLSTMs) process sequences in both directions to capture more context.
- Advantages:
 - Effective for sequence prediction tasks.
 - Supports flexible design and rich representation learning.

Language Model History

Language modeling history

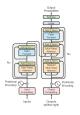


Transformers I

- Transformers: Introduced by Vaswani et al. in the paper "Attention is All You Need" (2017).
- Motivation: Eliminates the need for recurrence (RNNs) or convolution (CNNs) by relying entirely on the self-attention mechanism.
- Key Insight: Leverages self-attention to capture dependencies between input tokens, allowing parallel processing and reducing computational complexity.
- Main Components:
 - Encoder-Decoder architecture.
 - Self-Attention Mechanism.
 - Positional Encoding.
- Revolutionized natural language processing (NLP) and computer vision tasks, forming the basis for models like **BERT**, **GPT**, and **T5**.
- **Self-Attention**: Allows the model to weigh the relevance of different tokens in the input sequence relative to each other.

Transformers II

• Each token creates three vectors: Query (Q), Key (K), and Value (V).



• The attention score is calculated by taking the dot product of the query and key vectors:

Attention
$$(Q, K, V) = \operatorname{softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}}\right)V$$

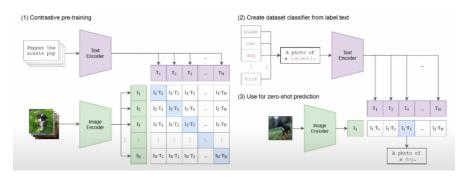
• Multi-Head Attention: Combines multiple self-attention layers in parallel, allowing the model to focus on different positions.

Transformers III

- Scalability: Self-attention is computationally efficient, making transformers highly parallelizable.
- Encoder-Decoder Structure:
 - The **encoder** maps the input sequence into a latent representation.
 - The decoder generates the output sequence based on this latent representation.
- Positional Encoding: Since transformers lack recurrence, positional encodings are added to input embeddings to represent the order of tokens.
- Feedforward Networks: After the multi-head attention layer, fully connected feedforward networks process the output of the attention mechanism.
- Layer Normalization and Residual Connections: Each sub-layer in the encoder and decoder uses residual connections and layer normalization for stable training.
- Applications: Used in state-of-the-art models for NLP (BERT, GPT, T5) and computer vision (Vision Transformers, ViT).

CLIP I

- CLIP (Contrastive Language–Image Pretraining)
- designed to learn visual representations using natural language supervision. Instead of training models on a predefined set of labeled categories
- learns to associate images with text through contrastive learning.



CLIP II

- The model takes an image and a text as inputs and projects them into a shared multi-modal embedding space where related image-text pairs have high cosine similarity.
- Once trained, CLIP can perform zero-shot classification by predicting which textual description best matches a given image, without being trained directly on the classification task.

Image Encoder:

- CLIP can use different types of image encoders, such as ResNet or Vision Transformer (ViT)
- The image is fed into the encoder, which extracts visual features and outputs an image embedding.
- In the Vision Transformer version, images are divided into patches, and a sequence of patch embeddings is passed through a Transformer to obtain the final representation.

Text Encoder



CLIP III

- The text input is processed by a Transformer model that converts the text into an embedding.
- The text is tokenized and then passed through the Transformer layers, with the output being the representation of the entire text.

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BERT I

- BERT (Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers): A transformer-based model introduced by Google AI in 2018.
- Key Idea: Unlike previous models that process text sequentially (left-to-right or right-to-left), BERT is bidirectional, meaning it looks at both directions at the same time.
- Pretraining and Fine-tuning: BERT is pretrained on large amounts of text data using unsupervised learning and can be fine-tuned for specific downstream tasks (e.g., text classification, question answering).
- Impact: Achieved state-of-the-art performance on several NLP benchmarks like SQuAD, GLUE, and MNLI.
- Forms the basis of many models like RoBERTa, DistilBERT, and ALBERT.
- In this paper they had used **mBERT**, which has been trained on many languages, including Hindi and English

Architecture of BERT

BERT II

- Transformer Encoder Architecture: BERT uses the **encoder** part of the original transformer architecture.
- Bidirectional Attention: Each token attends to all other tokens in the input, capturing rich contextual information.
- Input Representation:
 - Combines token embeddings, positional encodings, and segment embeddings.
 - Special tokens: [CLS] for classification tasks, [SEP] to separate sentences.
- BERT Base: 12 layers, 768 hidden units, 12 attention heads, 110M parameters.
- BERT Large: 24 layers, 1024 hidden units, 16 attention heads, 340M parameters.
- Pretraining Tasks:
 - Masked Language Model (MLM): Randomly masks 15
 - Next Sentence Prediction (NSP): Predicts whether two sentences appear sequentially in the original text, aiding tasks like question answering and natural language inference.

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BERT III

- Fine-tuning: After pretraining, BERT can be fine-tuned on specific NLP tasks by adding a task-specific output layer.
- Applications:
 - Text classification, sentiment analysis, and named entity recognition (NER).
 - Question answering (e.g., SQuAD).
 - Text summarization and machine translation.
- Bidirectional Nature: Helps BERT capture deeper context compared to unidirectional models, making it highly effective for language understanding.

Methodology

Methodology

Frameworks I

• Multitask Multimodal frameworks:

- To identify cyberbullying from memes deep multitask multimodal frameworks have been developed.
- Feature extraction models: BERT-ResNet Feature Extractor and CLIP Feature Extractor.
- Multitask frameworks: Feedback Multitask and CentralNet Multitask.
- Experimented with four model combinations of feature extraction and multitask frameworks:
 - BERT-ResNet + Feedback
 - BERT-ResNet + CentralNet
 - CLIP + Feedback
 - CLIP + CentralNet

BERT-ResNet I

BERT-ResNet Feature Extractor:

- Text Features:
 - Google OCR Vision API5: Used to extract text from input images.
 - mBERT: BERT language model varient chosen for Hindi-English code-mixed memes as it is trained on both languages. It extracts textual features from input text.
 - **Bi-GRU Layer**: Processes mBERT's outputs to capture contextual information. It captures long-term dependencies in word vectors by encoding the input on both forward and backward directions.

$$\overrightarrow{h}_{t}^{i} = \overrightarrow{GRU}(w_{t}^{i}, h_{t-1}^{i}), \overleftarrow{h}_{t}^{i} = \overleftarrow{GRU}(w_{t}^{i}, h_{t+1}^{i})$$

$$\left[h_{t}^{i} = \overrightarrow{h}_{t}^{i}, \overleftarrow{h}_{t}^{i}\right]$$

$$(1)$$

- Image Features:
 - ResNet-50: Used as the base model for image feature extraction due to its strong performance in image classification tasks.

BERT-ResNet II

- Feature Extraction: Last convoluted features of ResNet-50 $(7 \times 7 \times 2048)$ passed through a global average pooling layer resulting in a 2048-dimensional dense vector.
- Post-Pooling Processing:
 - Pass previous output through a fully connected (FC) layer with 512 neurons, followed by a dropout layer to generate the final image feature vector (I).
- Feature Concatenation: text feature vector (BERT+GRU) concatenated with Image feature vector (ResNet+FC) to form the combined feature vector (F).

BERT-ResNet III

Table 5: Model parameters of different feature extractor modules

Features	Model	Type	Output Size
		MBERT	50×768
Text	MBERT+BiGRU	BiGRU	50×512
	CLIP-Text Encoder	BERT	512
Image	ResNet+Dense	ResNet	$7 \times 7 \times 2048$
		GlobalAvgPool	2048
		Dense	512
	CLIP - Image Encoder	Vision Transformer	512

BERT-ResNet IV

BERT-ResNet Feature Extractor Bi-GRU 768 w3 MBERT Kabhi Yeh Khaye Ho? 😍 Sequence Output 2048 ResNet Image Features Global Average 7 * 7 * 2048 Dense Layer

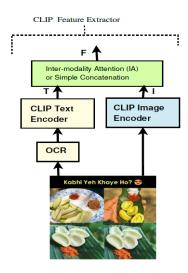
Pooling

CLIP I

• CLIP (Contrastive Language–Image Pre-training) Feature Extractor:

- It is a pre-trained visual-linguistic model, used to encode text-image pairs for semantic understanding of memes.
- Pre-trained on: 400 million image—text pairs from the Internet.
- Training Goal: Predict correct pairings from $N \times N$ possible pairings in a batch of N pairs(image,text). It maximizes cosine similarity for real pairs, minimizes it for incorrect ones.
- Optimization: Symmetric cross-entropy loss based on cosine similarity.
- Zero-shot Capabilities: Due to natural language supervision and wide image range.
- Encoders: Vision Transformer for images and BERT for text.
- Extracted Embeddings:
 - F_I : CLIP image embedding [512 dimensional vector]
 - F_T : CLIP text embedding [512 dimensional vector]
 - \bullet I: Meme Image
 - T : OCR-extracted text

CLIP II



Inter-modal Attention I

- Text modality is more significant for some memes, while visual modality is more important for others.
- Inter-modal Attention is used to merge textual and visual representations.
- Attention is computed by mapping a query and a set of key-value pairs to an output.
- Outputs of both modalities (T and I) are passed through three fully connected layers:
 Queries (Q)
 Keys (K)
 Values (V)
- The dimensions of Q, K, and V are d_f .
- $\mathbf{IA}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times d_f}$.

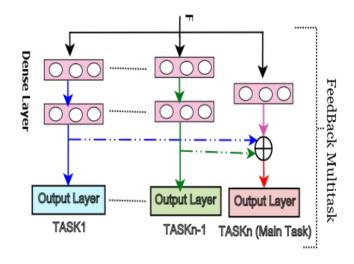
$$IA_i = softmax(Q_i K_i^T) V_i$$



Feedback Multitask Framework I

- Framework Overview:
 - Multitask Learning: To learn n tasks simultaneously.
 - Multimodal Features: Passed through n task-specific fully connected (FC) layers.
 - Output Layer: Each task ends with a softmax layer.
- **Feedback Path**: Feedback from the last FC layers of tasks T_1, T_2, \ldots, T_n to Main Task T_n . It enhances main task performance using features from other tasks.
- Task-specific Layer Structure
 - Secondary Tasks: Each has two FC layers (100 neurons) + softmax.
 - Main Task: Only one FC layer, but concatenate features from other tasks.

Feedback Multitask Framework II



CentralNet Multitask Framework I

- CentralNet is a multimodal data fusion network.
- **Reformed as Multitask Framework**: CentralNet is adapted to a multitask setting.
- Architecture:
 - *n* independent task-specific networks.
 - One central network.
 - Task-specific network includes:
 - n-1 secondary tasks (ST).
 - One main task (MT).
- Central Network Function: Combines features from task-specific networks and its own previous layers.

CentralNet Multitask Framework II

$$MT_{i+1} = \alpha mMT_i + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \alpha s_i^k ST_i^k$$

• Multitask Layer where:

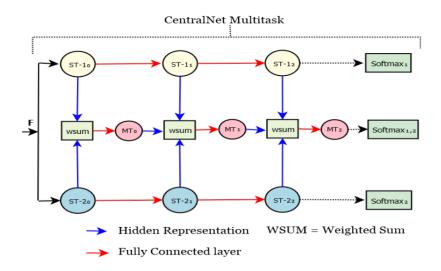
- \bullet *n* is the number of task-specific networks
- αs : Scalar trainable weights.
- ST_i^k : Hidden representation of k-th task-specific network at i-th layer.
- MT_i : Central hidden representation of the main task.
- Resulting layer MT_{i+1} is fed to an operating layer (dense layer + activation layer).

CentralNet Multitask Framework III

- Initial Inputs [Central Network]: Weighted summation of other task-specific initial features.
- Final Output: Central network's output is the final prediction for the main task.
- Model Parameters: Details are given in Table 6.

Multitask Framework	Task														
	Er	notion	Sei	ntiment	C	entral	Sa	ırcasm	Bully						
Framework	Type	Output Size													
	Dense	512	Dense	512			Dense	512	Dense	512					
CentralNet	Dense	256													
	SoftMax	10	SoftMax	3	SoftMax	2	SoftMax	2	SoftMax	2					

CentralNet Multitask Framework IV



Loss Function I

 Employ categorical cross-entropy as a loss function to train the network's parameters.

$$L_{CE}(\hat{y}, y) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{C} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i^{j} log(\hat{y}_i^{j})$$

- \hat{y}_i^j is the predicted label.
- y_i^j is the true label.
- C represents the number of classes.
- \bullet N represents the number of memes.



Loss Function II

 The final loss function, Loss, is dependent of N task-specific individual losses as follows

$$Loss = Loss_M + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \beta_k Loss_S^k$$

- Loss_M is the main-task loss.
- Loss_S is the secondary task (ST) loss.
- β ranges from 0 to 1. It defines the loss weights that determine each task's contribution to the total loss.



Results and Discussions

Key Findings I

• Multi-task Learning Outperforms Single-task:

- All multitask models performed better than single-task models.
- CLIP+CentralNet with three auxiliary tasks (Sentiment Analysis, Emotion Recognition, Sarcasm Detection) performed best.
- Accuracy Improvement: +3.18%, F1 Score Improvement: +3.1%.
- Shows that incorporating sentiment, emotion, and sarcasm helps improve cyberbullying detection (CD).

Table 8: Single task results in terms of Accuracy (Acc) and F1 score. FC: Fully connected layer.

Modality	Model	CD		SA		ER		SAR		Harmfulness	
Widdairty	Model	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1
Text (T)	BERT+GRU+FC	61.14	60.73	56.91	54.24	31.23	23.22	59.72	59.12	60.86	60.33
Image (I)	RN+FC	63.36	62.37	58.39	55.61	30.83	23.19	59.39	57.79	62.51	62.14
(T+I) with	BERT+RN+FC	65.04	65.03	60.22	58.82	30.08	26.26	62.20	61.47	65.21	64.66
Concat	CLIP +FC	70.91	70.89	59.8	59.16	29.6	27.96	63.59	61.24	66.71	65.89
(T+I) with	BERT+RN+FC	65.63	65.41	61.02	59.11	30.12	25.39	62.12	62.75	65.28	65.14
IA	CLIP +FC	70.99	71.01	58.96	57.83	26.58	23.32	62.99	63.80	66.91	66.28

Key Findings II

• Multimodal (Text + Image) Scenario:

- CLIP + CentralNet combination was the best performer.
- Outperformed all other combinations (e.g., BERT-ResNet+Feedback, BERT-ResNet+CentralNet, CLIP+Feedback).
- Shows that CLIP-CentralNet effectively extracts task-specific features from memes.

Table 7: Experimental results of different multitask variants with unimodal and multimodal settings. CD: Cyberbully Detection, SA: Sentiment Analysis, ER: Emotion Recognition, SAR: Sarcasm, FB: FeedBack, CNT: CentralNet, RN: ResNet, BT-RN: BERT-ResNet, IA: Inter-modal Attention.

	Model	2-Task Variants						3-Task Variants						4-Task	
Modality		CD+SA		CD+ER		CD+SAR		CD+SA+ER		CD+SA+SAR		CD+ER+SAR		CD+SA+ER+SAR	
		Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1	Acc	F1
Text (T)	BERT+ FB	62.03	61.53	60.40	60.01	61.09	60.82	62.43	62.53	62.96	62.47	61.58	61.38	62.14	62.13
	BERT+CNT	65.94	65.94	65.14	65.29	66.69	65.98	65.34	65.47	65.89	65.92	66.15	66.17	66.61	66.07
Image (I)	RN+FB	64.81	64.51	65.84	65.60	64.13	63.67	64.67	64.31	65.18	64.63	65.18	65.25	64.84	64.92
	RN+CNT	66.89	66.79	66.39	66.45	65.79	67.86	66.42	66.32	66.33	66.27	66.08	66.01	66.43	66.37
T+I with Concat	BT-RN+FB	65.86	65.74	66.52	66.54	65.87	65.82	67.21	67.13	65.23	65.11	65.52	64.96	66.87	66.76
	BT-RN+CNT	69.64	69.36	70.08	69.77	70.20	70.05	69.89	69.64	69.13	68.83	68.46	68.18	69.72	69.44
	CLIP+FB	72.24	72.28	72.16	72.23	72.66	72.68	71.06	71.07	71.85	71.93	71.32	71.35	71.21	71.31
	CLIP+CNT	72.88	72.82	73.03	72.95	72.07	71.96	73.05	72.98	73.05	72.97	73.11	73.02	73.16	73.06
T+I with IA	BT-RN+FB	65.36	65.12	66.82	66.76	66.52	66.41	67.35	67.42	66.15	66.08	65.93	65.12	66.74	66.79
	BT-RN+CNT	73.02	73.05	73.54	73.02	72.22	72.13	73.15	73.07	72.96	72.82	73.28	72.59	73.68	73.53
	CLIP+FB	71.99	72.01	72.75	72.79	71.18	71.18	71.06	71.07	72.33	72.33	71.32	71.35	72.44	72.47
	CLIP+CNT	73.28	73.17	72.66	72.63	71.12	71.00	73.79	73.73	73.31	73.22	71.85	71.77	74.17	74.11

Key Findings III

• Impact of Combining Modalities:

- Simple Concatenation vs. Inter-modal Attention (IA).
- Inter-modal Attention with CentralNet consistently outperformed simple concatenation.
- In contrast, Feedback multitask framework didn't show consistent improvement with IA.

• Effectiveness of Task Combinations:

- CD + Sentiment Analysis + Emotion Recognition (CD+SA+ER)
- Consistently performed better than other combinations like CD+SA+Sarcasm or CD+ER+Sarcasm for multi-modal inputs.
- Second highest **F1 Score** for CD: 73.73
- Shows that combining sentiment and emotion provides better context for detecting bullying behavior.

Key Findings IV

• CentralNet vs Feedback Framework:

- CentralNet consistently outperforms Feedback multitask frameworks.
- BERT-ResNet + CentralNet achieves on average 5% improvement in F1 score over BERT-ResNet + Feedback for both multimodal and IA settings.
- Highlights CentralNet's strength in multimodal data fusion and multitask learning.

Multimodal vs Uni-modal Performance:

- Multimodal (Text + Image) variants consistently outperformed uni-modal variants
- Using both text and image together improved accuracy significantly.
- In uni-modal settings, image modality performed better than text-only models.

Key Findings V

• Challenges and Limitations:

- Inferior results in Emotion Recognition due to the highly imbalanced nature of the emotion classes.
- Despite this, the model's main focus remained on improving **Cyberbullying Detection** (CD).
- Weighting strategies were used to prioritize the main task.

Conclusion

Overview

• Task Overview:

Introduction of sentiment-emotion-sarcasm aware multimodal cyberbully detection in a codemixed setting.

• Objective:

Explore if sentiment, emotion, and sarcasm labels can enhance cyberbully detection accuracy.

Key Contributions

• Novel Dataset:

- MultiBully: A multimodal memes dataset annotated with bully, sentiment, emotion, and sarcasm labels.
- **Purpose:** To assist in the identification of cyberbullying through nuanced label information.

• New Architecture:

- CLIP-CentralNet:
 - An attention-based multi-task multimodal framework.
 - Incorporates ResNet, mBERT, and CLIP.
 - Designed for efficient representation and generalized feature learning across multiple tasks.

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Performance Highlights

• Outperformance:

- CLIP-CentralNet outperforms all single-task and uni-modal models.
- Demonstrates a significant margin in detection accuracy.



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