

# Deep Comedy 2.0

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Generation of poetry in Dante’s Divine Comedy style  
through Deep Learning techniques

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## Abstract

We tackle the task of generating poetry in the style of Dante’s Divine Comedy—with a focus on syllabification constraints—by deploying two distinct Transformer models, one trained to syllabify single verses and the other to generate group of tercets, with the output of the former dictating whether to accept or reject that of the latter during the generation process itself. Specifically, we show the results we obtained and justify the implementation choices we made by revisiting the alternatives that were explored and eventually discarded along the way.

## 1 Introduction

The *Divine Comedy* is an Italian narrative poem written by Dante Alighieri between 1308 and 1320. It is structured into three *cantiche*—*Inferno*, *Purgatorio*, and *Paradiso*—each one composed of 33 *canti*, plus an initial canto, traditionally considered as part of the *Inferno*. The verse scheme consists of tercets of hendecasyllables with rhyming scheme ABA BCB CDC ..., also known as *terza rima* [1].

Differently from the quantitative verse of ancient Greek and Latin poetry, the hendecasyllable of Italian medieval—and modern—poetry is accentual. Its key characteristic is the *stress on the tenth syllable*: in the frequent case in which the final word is stressed on the penultimate syllable—as most Italian words are—such constraint produces verses of eleven syllables [1].

However, identifying syllables is not a trivial operation: in Italian, a sequence of vowels can be either pronounced as a single sound or as separate sounds. Therefore, one of the following linguistic phenomena can arise:

- *Syneresis*: consecutive vowels inside a word are pronounced as a single sound, and therefore belong to the same syllable.

E.g. ab|ban|do|nai

- *Dieresis*: consecutive vowels inside a word are pronounced as different sounds, and therefore belong to different syllables.

E.g. pa|u|ra

- *Synalephe*: consecutive vowels of adjacent words—i.e. a word ending with vowels is followed by a word beginning with vowels—are pronounced as a single sound, and therefore belong to the same syllable. The same syllable can thus span two adjacent words.

E.g. sel|va o|scu|ra

- *Dialephe*: consecutive vowels of adjacent words are pronounced as separate sounds, and therefore belong to different syllables.

E.g. son|no |a

What makes the syllabification of Italian poetry extremely challenging is that there are many exceptions to the rules that regulate the occurrences of these phenomena, and, most notably, Dante takes the liberty of bending those rules every time they get in the way of achieving the desired rhythmic effects [1].

## 2 Dataset

Luckily, we do not have to deal ourselves with syllabification rules applied to Dante’s lexicon and style, since a syllabified version of the Divine Comedy—and the code used to generate it—is freely available on GitHub [2] as a repository containing the syllabification algorithm proposed in [1].

Although previous research work suggests training a generative model like ours on all non-Latin works by Dante—both poetry and prose—and on modern Italian corpora [3], we decided to rely on the Divine Comedy as our only source of data. The reason is that, as we wanted to focus on syllabification, we could have in principle applied the algorithm described in [1] to other works by Dante and to other authors; however, such algorithm relies on a data structure containing a word-level vocabulary of the Divine Comedy, enriched with metric information which is heavily dependent on the style of the Comedy itself. Therefore, applying the algorithm to a different text would require extending the vocabulary and possibly fine-tuning the information contained in the data structure [1], which seemed to go beyond the scope of this work.

Since our architecture consists of two interacting models—see Section 4—we built two distinct datasets for the syllabification and generation model, respectively.

## 2.1 Syllabification Dataset

The syllabification dataset consists of 14233—that is, the number of verses in the whole Comedy—samples of form `(input,target)`, where `input` is a non-syllabified verse and `target` the corresponding syllabified one. The rationale behind this choice is that the syllabification task is modeled as a Neural Machine Translation (NTM) task, where the input language is the non-syllabified Divine Comedy and the target language is its syllabified counterpart.

After being collected, the samples are shuffled and split into:

- Training set: 9963 samples (~70%).
- Validation set: 2846 samples (~20%).
- Test set: 1424 samples (~10%).

Each dataset is then divided into batches of size 64.

## 2.2 Generation Dataset

The generation dataset consists of 14230 samples of form `(input,target)`, where `input` are three consecutive verses and `target` is the verse following the last `input` verse. The rationale behind this choice is that the resulting four-verse window is arguably the smallest set of data capable of capturing the rhyming scheme ABA BCB CDC ... [4].

Once shuffled, the whole dataset is used as training set and divided into batches of size 64.

## 3 Tokenization

Being the focus of our generation on syllables, it seemed quite natural to choose syllables themselves as tokens for the generation dataset—an approach already proved to be successful in previous works of this kind [3, 4].

For the syllabification dataset, on the other hand, there was no immediate intuition about what the best choice would have been—between characters, syllables, and words—nor it was clear if input and target language should share the same kind of tokens.

### 3.1 Tokenization of the syllabification dataset

We experimented with the following input–target token combinations:

1. characters–characters.
2. characters–syllables.

```
[ '< Nel mezzo del cammin di nostra vita >',
  '< mi ritrovai per una selva oscura, >',
  '< ch  la diritta via era smarrita. >',
  '< Ah! quanto a dir qual era   cosa dura >',
  '< esta selva selvaggia e aspra e forte >',
  '< che nel pensier rinova la paura! >',
  '< Tant'   amara che poco   pi  morte; >',
  '< ma per trattar del ben ch' i' vi trovai, >',
  '< dir  de l' altre cose ch' i' v' ho scorte. >',
  '< Io non so ben ridir com' i' v' intrai, >']
```

(a) Input

```
[ '< | Nel | mez | zo | del | cam | min | di | no | stra | vi | ta >',
  '< | mi | ri | tro | vai | per | u | na | sel | va | o | scu | ra, >',
  '< | ch  | la | di | rit | ta | via | e | ra | smar | ri | ta. >',
  '< | Ah! | quan | to | a | dir | qual | e | ra |   | co | sa | du | ra >',
  '< | e | sta | sel | va | sel | vag | gia | e | a | spra | e | for | te >',
  '< | che | nel | pen | sier | ri | no | va | la | pa | u | ra! >',
  '< | Tan | t' |   | a | ma | ra | che | po | co |   | pi  | mor | te; >',
  '< | ma | per | trat | tar | del | ben | ch' | i' | vi | tro | vai, >',
  '< | di | r  | de | l' | al | tre | co | se | ch' | i' | v' | ho | scor | te. >',
  '< | Io | non | so | ben | ri | dir | com' | i' | v' | in | trai, >']
```

(b) Target

Figure 1: First ten samples of the (unshuffled) syllabification dataset after character-level tokenization

3. words-syllables.

4. words-words.

The best results on the syllabification task were given by far by combination 1, and got worse as tokens got “bigger”—with the worst results given by combination 4. Therefore, we opted for tokenization 1.

On the other hand, when we were still experimenting with the architecture, we initially tried to let the syllabification model handle the generation by itself, and, for that task, we observed the opposite behavior: the more complex the tokens, the better the quality of the generation. Still, the generated verse were far from satisfying; also, since the syllabification task as we defined it operates on a single-verse level, the model could only generate one isolated verse at a time, hence no rhyming scheme could be captured. For all these reasons, we finally decided to deploy two specialized models for the two tasks at hand—syllabification and generation—and work on their interaction.

In order to encode the information about how to initialize and when to stop the syllabification loop—see Section 6.1—each verse is enriched with a *start-of-verse* and an *end-of-verse* token, denoted with < and >, respectively.

The final result of the tokenization process is shown in Figure 1.

```
[ '<t> <v> nel mez zo del cam min di no stra vi ta </v> <v> mi ri tro vai per una sel va o scu ra </v> <v> ché la di rit ta via e ra smar ri ta </v> </t>',
' <v> mi ri tro vai per una sel va o scu ra </v> <v> ché la di rit ta via e ra smar ri ta </v> </t> <t> <v> ahi quan to a dir qual e ra è co sa du ra </v>',
' <v> ché la di rit ta via e ra smar ri ta </v> </t> <t> <v> ahi quan to a dir qual e ra è co sa du ra </v> <v> e sta sel va sel vag gia e a spra e for te </v>',
' <t> <v> ahi quan to a dir qual e ra è co sa du ra </v> <v> e sta sel va sel vag gia e a spra e for te </v> <v> che nel pen sier ri no va la pa u ra </v>',
' <v> e sta sel va sel vag gia e a spra e for te </v> <v> che nel pen sier ri no va la pa u ra </v> </t> <t> <v> tan t' è a ma ra che po co è più mor te </v>',
' <v> che nel pen sier ri no va la pa u ra </v> </t> <t> <v> tan t' è a ma ra che po co è più mor te </v> <v> ma per trat tar del ben ch' i' vi tro vai </v>',
' <t> <v> tan t' è a ma ra che po co è più mor te </v> <v> ma per trat tar del ben ch' i' vi tro vai </v> <v> di rò de l' al tre co se ch' i' v' ho scor te </v>',
' <v> ma per trat tar del ben ch' i' vi tro vai </v> <v> di rò de l' al tre co se ch' i' v' ho scor te </v> </t> <t> <v> io non so ben ri dir com' i' v' in trai </v>',
' <v> di rò de l' al tre co se ch' i' v' ho scor te </v> </t> <t> <v> io non so ben ri dir com' i' v' in trai </v> <v> tan t' e ra pien di son no a quel pun to </v>',
' <t> <v> io non so ben ri dir com' i' v' in trai </v> <v> tan t' e ra pien di son no a quel pun to </v> <v> che la ve ra ce via ab ban do nai </v> </t>']
```

(a) Input

```
[' <t> <v> ahi quan to a dir qual e ra è co sa du ra </v>',
' <v> e sta sel va sel vag gia e a spra e for te </v>',
' <v> che nel pen sier ri no va la pa u ra </v> </t>',
' <t> <v> tan t' è a ma ra che po co è più mor te </v>',
' <v> ma per trat tar del ben ch' i' vi tro vai </v>',
' <v> di rò de l' al tre co se ch' i' v' ho scor te </v> </t>',
' <t> <v> io non so ben ri dir com' i' v' in trai </v>',
' <v> tan t' e ra pien di son no a quel pun to </v>',
' <v> che la ve ra ce via ab ban do nai </v> </t>',
' <t> <v> ma poi ch' i' fui al piè d' un col le giun to </v>']
```

(b) Target

Figure 2: First ten samples of the (unshuffled) generation dataset after syllable-level tokenization

### 3.2 Tokenization of the generation dataset

The generation dataset is tokenized by syllables, both in its input and target component. Differently from the syllabification dataset, the text is converted to lowercase and punctuation is removed—except for apostrophes and accented characters—so as to avoid meaningless redundancies in the vocabulary.

The following special tokens are added to the dataset [3, 4]:

- `<v>`: start-of-verse token.
- `</v>`: end-of-verse token.
- `<t>`: start-of-tercet token.
- `</t>`: end-of-tercet token.

The final result of the tokenization process is shown in Figure 2.

## 4 Architecture

Our architecture consists of two full Transformer models, i.e. with both an encoder and a decoder, as in the original definition [5]. From now on, we will refer to them as *syllabifier* and *generator*, respectively.

While most NTM approaches deploy, in fact, an encoder–decoder architecture [6], recent successful application of Transformers to text generation rely on decoder-only models—most notably, GPT-3 [7]. However, based on the experience of last year’s students, who

	Syllabifier	Generator	Base Model in [5]
$N$	2	2	6
$d_{\text{model}}$	128	128	512
$d_{\text{ff}}$	32	256	2048
$h$	2	2	8
$P_{\text{drop}}$	0.1	0.1	0.1

Table 1: Hyperparameter values (third column given for reference)

observed that GPT-3-like models were struggling to grasp the rhyming scheme [4], we decided to adopt a full Transformer architecture for both syllabification and generation.

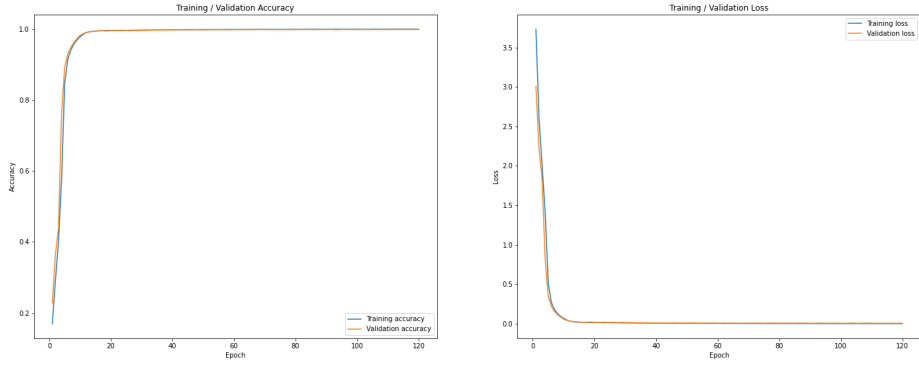
The tunable hyperparameters of the models are—see [5] for details:

- $N$ : number of encoder (resp. decoder) layers in the encoder (resp. decoder).
- $d_{\text{model}}$ : dimension of the outputs of all sub-layers in the model.
- $d_{\text{ff}}$ : dimension of the inner layer of the feed-forward sub-layer.
- $h$ : number of attention heads.
- $P_{\text{drop}}$ : dropout rate.

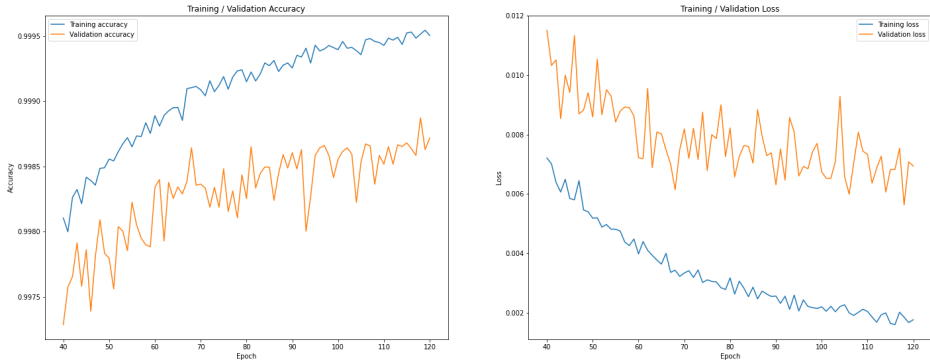
For the syllabifier, we initially experimented—as suggested in [8]—with a reduced version of the base model described in [5]; since we got excellent results almost right away, we fine-tuned the number of epochs of training instead of the single hyperparameters and temporarily kept this model.

However, when we tried to set those same hyperparameter values in the generator, we noticed that, although the generated verses were quite satisfying from a lexical perspective, the rhyming scheme was very inconsistent—probably because the model had learned the Comedy’s vocabulary very well and was trying to fit words into verses even when they were not rhyming. Furthermore, we observed occasional generations of entire verses copied directly from the original text. By reducing  $N$ ,  $d_{\text{model}}$ ,  $d_{\text{ff}}$ , and  $h$  we obtained much more reliable rhymes, at the cost of generating words which are not always drawn from Dante’s vocabulary—or any vocabulary, for that matter. Also, the generation of non-original verses ceased to happen. We chose to prioritize the rhyming structure and adopted the less powerful model, since our focus was already on metric constraints anyway.

In light of the analysis of simpler models for the generative task, we decided to keep experimenting with the syllabifier, and discovered that we could achieve the same excellent quality of results by choosing hyperparameter values as small as those set in generator, thus accomplishing a better computational efficiency.



(a) 120 epochs



(b) Last 80 epochs

Figure 3: Syllabifier’s accuracy and loss during training

As a final note, both models exploit the fixed sinusoidal positional encodings described in [5].

The chosen values of the hyperparameters are shown in Table 1.

## 5 Training

We trained our models on the free GPU runtime environment of Google Colab. We used the Adam optimizer with a learning rate varying over the course of training, as described in [5], and sparse categorical cross-entropy as loss function.

For both the syllabifier and the generator, the training process works as follows: for

each sample (`input`, `target`)

1. Let `tar_input` be a copy of `target` excluding its last token and let `tar_real` be a copy of `target` excluding its first token, i.e. `tar_real` is `tar_input` shifted to the right by one token.
2. Give `input` as input to the encoder and `tar_input` as input to the decoder.
3. Compute the decoder output; call it `pred`.
4. Give `tar_real` and `pred` as inputs to the loss function.

When training the syllabifier, we observed essentially no overfitting—as shown in Figure 3—possibly thanks to its dropout sub-layers. We therefore opted for a number of epochs such that the validation loss reduction after that point seemed not to be worth the additional computing time, and performed a final training—on both training and validation set combined—of 60 epochs.

The generator, on the other hand, was trained on the whole generation dataset for 80 epochs. With a longer training we noticed—similarly to what we already observed when setting the hyperparameters—that the model was slightly improving its lexicon but losing the ability to generate correctly rhyming verses.

## 6 Results

Some examples of the outputs of our models are shown in Figures 4, 9, 10, and 11. In Sections 6.1 and 6.2 we get into the details of how such results were obtained.

The syllabification task resulted in a very successful outcome: in the experiment showed in Figure 4, the model reached an accuracy of 99.9% on the test set with its 60 epochs of training<sup>1</sup>. The syllabification mistakes are shown in Figures 5, 6, 7, and 8.

On the other hand, the lexicon of the generated verses could definitely be improved; however, as we already pointed out in Section 4, more powerful models struggle to satisfy the rhyming constraints, especially between verses belonging to different tercets, and the same behavior can be observed when training the same model for a greater number of epochs. There seems to be an inherent trade-off between word quality and correct rhyming scheme—which, in our opinion, is the most interesting open question this work points towards.

The final point worth discussing is that, even though the generation loop relies on the syllabifier to enforce the metric constraints, the experiments show that the generator, if left unchecked, produces verses whose number of syllables oscillates between 10 and 12; also, the corrections made by the syllabifier are never too dramatic, and often involve unusual combination of syllables that end up forming made-up words—see Figure 10. This suggest

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<sup>1</sup>The accuracy we are referring to is measured in terms of correctly predicted tokens, i.e. characters.



that the generator was able to grasp the hendecasyllable structure quite effectively, even though not explicitly trained to syllabify verses, which it is a testament to the effectiveness of training our models on a correctly and exhaustively syllabified text, as the one available at [2].

## 6.1 Syllabification Procedure

The syllabification process works as follows:

1. Give a non-syllabified verse as input to the syllabifier’s encoder.
2. Give < as input to the syllabifier’s decoder.
3. Compute the decoder output, i.e. the prediction for the next token<sup>2</sup>:
  - If the predicted character is >, stop.
  - Otherwise, concatenate the predicted character to the decoder input and go back to Step 3.

## 6.2 Generation Procedure

The generation process, partially inspired by [4], works as follows:

1. Give the first tercet of the Divine Comedy—*Nel mezzo . . . smarrita.*—as input to the encoder.
2. Give <t> as input to the decoder.
3. Compute the decoder output, i.e. the prediction for the next token<sup>3</sup>.
4. Once a whole verse has been generated, pass it as input to the syllabifier:
  - If the syllabification returned by the syllabifier matches the one produced by the generator, count the syllables:
    - If there are 11 of them<sup>4</sup>, go to Step 5.
    - Otherwise, reset the generator’s decoder input to its first token—either <t> or <v>—and go back to Step 3.
  - Otherwise, reset the generator’s decoder input to its first token—either <t> or <v>—and go back to Step 3.

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<sup>2</sup>Greedy sampling is used as sampling technique.

<sup>3</sup>Top- $k$  sampling with  $k = 10$  is used as sampling technique.

<sup>4</sup>Although, as pointed out in Section 1, the number of syllables is not part of the definition of hendecasyllable—rather, a consequence—we decided to embrace this simplifying assumption in order to further ensure the metric quality of the generated verses without having to deal with accent constraints.

5. Remove the first verse from the generator’s encoder input.
6. Append the newly generated verse to the generator’s encoder input.
7. Reset the generator’s decoder input to its first token—either <t> or <v>—and go back to Step 3.

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Syllabifier input:      caduto se' di quella dolce terra
Syllabifier output:     |ca|du|to |se'|di |quel|la |dol|ce |ter|ra
Correct syllabification: |ca|du|to |se'|di |quel|la |dol|ce |ter|ra

Syllabifier input:      «O frate mio, ciascuna è cittadina
Syllabifier output:     « |O |fra|te |mio, |cia|scu|na è |cit|ta|di|na
Correct syllabification: « |O |fra|te |mio, |cia|scu|na è |cit|ta|di|na

Syllabifier input:      sotto l'ombra perpetüa, che mai
Syllabifier output:     |sot|to |l' om|bra |per|pe|tü|a, |che |mai
Correct syllabification: |sot|to |l' om|bra |per|pe|tü|a, |che |mai

Syllabifier input:      ma per la vista che s'avvalorava
Syllabifier output:     |ma |per |la |vi|sta |che |s' av|va|lo|ra|va
Correct syllabification: |ma |per |la |vi|sta |che |s' av|va|lo|ra|va

Syllabifier input:      sopra la quale ogni virtù si fonda,
Syllabifier output:     |so|pra |la |qua|le o|gne |vir|tù |si |fon|da,
Correct syllabification: |so|pra |la |qua|le o|gne |vir|tù |si |fon|da,

Syllabifier input:      «Non so», rispuos' io lui, «quant' io mi viva;
Syllabifier output:     « |Non |so», |ri|spuo|s' io |lui,« |quan|t' io |mi |vi|va;
Correct syllabification: « |Non |so», |ri|spuo|s' io |lui,« |quan|t' io |mi |vi|va;

Syllabifier input:      per ch'io te sovra te corono e mitrio».
Syllabifier output:     |per |ch' io |te |so|vra |te |co|ro|no e |mi|trio».
Correct syllabification: |per |ch' io |te |so|vra |te |co|ro|no e |mi|trio».

Syllabifier input:      Deh, frate, or fa che più non mi ti celi!
Syllabifier output:     |Deh, |fra|te, or |fa |che |più |non |mi |ti |ce|li!
Correct syllabification: |Deh, |fra|te, or |fa |che |più |non |mi |ti |ce|li!

Syllabifier input:      per essere ad acquisto d'oro usata;
Syllabifier output:     |per |es|se|re ad |ac|qui|sto |d' o|ro u|sa|ta;
Correct syllabification: |per |es|se|re ad |ac|qui|sto |d' o|ro u|sa|ta;

Syllabifier input:      cose che torrien fede al mio sermone».
Syllabifier output:     |co|se |che |tor|rien |fe|de al |mio |ser|mo|ne».
Correct syllabification: |co|se |che |tor|rien |fe|de al |mio |ser|mo|ne».

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Figure 4: Syllabifier output on the first 10 verses of the test set

io |di|co |d' A|ri|sto|ti|le e |di |Pla|to  
E |non |e|r' an|co |del |mio |pet|to es|sau|sto  
fic|ca|va i|o |sì |co|me |far |suo|le  
ve|di og|gi|mai |quan|t' es|ser |dee |quel |tut|to  
Io |a|vea |già |il |mio |vi|so |nel |suo |fit|to;  
più |nel |suo |a|mor, |più |mi |si |fé |ne|mi|ca.  
so|ve|nha |vos |a |tem|ps |de |ma |do|lor|!».  
Cu|rì|o, |ch' a |dir |fu |co|sì |ar|di|to!  
si |ve|de |di |giu|sti|zia or|ri|bil |ar|te.  
par|le|rei |a |quei |due |che 'n|sie|me |van|no,  
Ca|i|na at|ten|de |chi a |vi|ta |ci |spen|se».   
fu |il |can|tor |de |lo |Spi|ri|to |San|to,  
Gran|di|ne |gros|sa, |ac|qua |tin|ta e |ne|ve  
Po|co |por|tā|i in |là |vol|ta |la |te|sta,  
Qui|vi è |la |sa|pī|en|za e |la |pos|san|za  
L' ac|qua e|ra |bu|lia |as|sai |più |che |per|sa;  
co|min|ciò, |'glo|ria! ', |tut|to 'l |pa|ra|di|so,  
co|min|ciò 'l |Man|toan |che |ci a|vea |vòl|ti,  
Tre |pas|si |ci |fa|cea |il |fiu|me |lon|ta|ni;  
do|v' E|teò|cle |col |fra|tel |fu |mi|so?».  
pen|sa |che |Pie|tro e |Pau|lo, |che |mo|ri|ro  
di |Io|sù|è in |su |la |Ter|ra |San|ta,  
pen|sa |chi e|ra, e |la |ca|gion |che 'l |mos|se,  
e |ve|dra' |il |cor|règ|ger |che |ar|go|men|ta  
che |d' ac|qua |fred|da In|do o |E|ti|o|po.  
In|fin |là |sù |la |vi|de |il |pa|tri|ar|ca  
E 'l |fra|te:« Io |u|di' |già |di|re a |Bo|lo|gna  
a|vean |le |lu|ci |mie |sì |i|ne|brī|a|te,  
si |vi|der |mā|i in |al|cun |tan|to |cru|de,  
lo |sfa|vil|lar |de |l' a|mor |che |lì e|ra  
Di |quel |che |fé |col |bai|u|lo |se|guen|te,  
co|sì in|tram|mo |noi |per |la |cal|laia,  
che |do|vria |l' uom |te|ner |den|tro a |sua |me|ta.  
Or |per|ché in |cir|cui|to |tut|to |quan|to  
che a' |miei |pro|pin|qui |tu |ben |mi |rin|fa|mi.  
e |l' a|li |d' o|ro, e |l' al|tro |tan|to |bian|co,  
con |l' a|li a|per|te |li |gia|cea un |dra|co;  
lo |dol|ce |ber |che |mai non |m' a|vria |sa|zio;  
Poi |dis|se:« |Più |pen|sa|va |Ma|ria on|de  
che |quel|la |di |co|lui |che |li è |da|van|te;

(a) Correct syllabification

io |di|co |d' A|ri|sto|ti|le |di |Pla|to  
E |non |e|r' an|co |del |mio |pet|to es|sau|sto  
fic|ca|va i|o |sì |co|me |far |suo|le  
ve|di og|gi|mai |quan|t' es|ser |de |quel |tut|to  
Io |a|vea |già |il |mio |vi|so |nel |suo |fit|to;  
più |nel |suo |a|mor, |più |mi |si |fé |ne|mi|ca.  
so|ve|nha |vos |a |tem|ps |de |ma |do|lor|!».  
Cu|rì|o, |ch' a |dir |fu |co|sì ar|di|to!  
si |ve|de |di |giu|sti|zia or|ri|bil ar|te.  
par|le|rei a |quei |due |che 'n|sie|me |van|no,  
Ca|i|na at|ten|de |chi a |vi|ta |ci |spen|se».   
fu |il |can|tor |de |lo |Spi|ri|to |San|to,  
Gran|di|ne |gros|sa, ac|qua |tin|ta e |ne|ve  
Po|co |por|tā |in |là |vol|ta |la |te|sta,  
Qui|vi è |la |sa|pī|pan|za e |la |pos|san|za  
L' ac|qua e|ra |bu|lia as|sai |più |che |per|sa;  
co|min|ciò, |'lo|ria! ', |tut|to 'l |pa|ra|ra|di|so,  
co|min|ciò 'l |Man|toan |che |ci a|vea |vòl|ti,  
Tre |pas|si |ci |fa|cea |il |fiu|me |lon|ta|ni;  
do|v' E|teò|cle |col |fra|tel |fu |mi|so?».  
pen|sa |che |Pie|tro e |Pa|u|lo, |che |mo|ri|ro  
di |Io|sù|è in |su |la |Ter|ra |San|ta,  
pen|sa |chi e|ra, e |la |ca|gion |che 'l |mos|se,  
e |ve|dra' |il |cor|règ|ger |che |ar|go|men|ta  
che |d' ac|qua |fred|da In|do o |E|ti|o|po.  
In|fin |là |sù |la |vi|de |il |pa|tri|ar|ca  
E 'l |fra|te:« Io |u|di' |già |di|re a |Bo|lo|gna  
a|vean |le |lu|ci |mie |sì |i|ne|brī|a|te,  
si |vi|der |mā|i in |al|cun |tan|to |cru|de,  
lo |sfa|vil|lar |de |l' a|mor |che |lì e|ra  
Di |quel |che |fé |col |bai|u|lo |se|guen|te,  
co|sì in|tram|mo |noi |per |la |cal|laia,  
che |dov|ria |l' uom |te|ner |den|tro a |sua |me|ta.  
Or |per|ché in |cir|cui|to |tut|to |quan|to  
che |a' |miei |pro|pin|qui |tu |ben |mi |rin|fa|mi.  
e |l' a|li |d' o|ro, e |l' al|tro |tan|tian|co,  
con |l' a|li a|per|te |li |gia|cea un |dra|co;  
lo |dol|ce |ber |che |mai non |m' a|vria |sa|zio;  
Poi |dis|se:« |Più |pen|sa|va |Ma|ria on|de  
che |quel|la |di |co|lui |che |li è |da|van|te;

(b) Syllabifier output

Figure 5: Incorrectly syllabified verses from the test set. The number of correctly syllabified verses is 1384/1424 (~97% of the test set)

<p>e  che  s'  in con tran  con  sì  as pre  lin gue,  vol gen do m'  io  con  li  et ter ni  Ge mel li,  «  O san na,  sanc tus  De us  sa ba òth,  a  le  cu ru le  Si zii  e  Ar ri guc ci.  l' o nor  d' A gob bio e  l' o nor  di  quel l' ar te  che 'l  tien  le ga to, o  a ni ma  con fu sa,  che  cre de e  non,  di cen do« El la è...  non  è...»,  sc ias  quod  e go  fui  suc ces sor  Pe tri.  co min ciò  el,«  se  non...  Tal  ne  s' of fer se.  l' a iui ta  sì  ch' i'  ne  sia  con so la ta.  ri co min ciò  il  cor te se  por ti na io:  la  re ve sti ta  vo ce al le lui an do,  S' i o a ves si  le  ri me  as pre e  chioc ce,  Cer to  tra  es so e 'l  gau dio  mi  fa cea  e  Gal li e  quei  ch' ar ros san  per  lo  sta io.  vol se si  in  su i  ver mi gli e  in  su i  gial li  al lor  che  ben  co nob be  il  ga le ot to,  «  O  fron da  mia  in  che  io  com pi a cem mi  ché  se  che li dri,  ia cu li e  fa ree  con  ar chi e  as tic ciu le  pri ma e let te;  ma  già  vol ge va  il  mio  di sio e 'l  vel le,  ve nim mo o ve  quel l' a ni me  ad  u na  Pon tì  e  Nor man dia  pre se e  Gua sco gna.  qua  den tro è 'l  se con do  Fe de ri co  di co  nel  cie lo,  io  me  ne  glo riai.  qu' ieu  no  me  puesc  ni  voill  a  vos  co bri re.  tut to,  qual  che  si  sia,  il  mio  in ge gno,</p>	<p>e  che  s'  in con tran  con  sì  a spre  lin gue,  vol gen dom'  io  con  li  et ter ni  Ge mel li,  «  O san na,  sanc cus  De us  sa ba òth,  a  le  cu ru le  Si zii e  Ar ri guc ci.  l' o nor  d' A gob bio e  l' o n  di  quel l' ar te  che 'l  tien  le ga to, o  o  a ni ma  con fu sa,  che  cre de e  non,  di cen do« El la è...  non  è...»,  sc ias  quod  e go  fui  suc ces sor  Pe tri.  co min ciò  el,«  se  non..  Tal  ne  s' of fer se.  l' ai ta  sì  ch' i'  ne  sia  con so la ta.  ri co min ciò  il  cor te se  por ti na io:  la  re ve sti ta  vo ce al le lui an do,  S' i o a ves si  le  ri me a spre e  chioc ce,  Cer to  tra es so e 'l  gau dio  mi  fa cea  e  Gal li e  quei  ch' ar ros san  per  lo  sta io.  vol se si  in  su i  ver mi gli e  in  su i  gial li  al lor  che  ben  co nob be  il  ga leot to,  «  O  fron da  mia  in  che  io  com pia cem mi  ché  se  che li dri,  ia cu li e  fa ree  con  ar chi e  a stic ciu le  pri ma e let te;  ma  già  vol ge va  il  mio  di sio e 'l  vel le,  ve nim mo o ve  quel l' a ni me  ad  u na  Pon tì e  Nor man dia  pre se e  Gua sco gna.  qua  den tro è 'l  se con do  Fe de ri co  di co  nel  cie lo,  io  me  ne  glo riai.  qu' ieu  no  me  puesc  ni  voil  a  vos  co bri re.  tut to,  qual  che  si  sia,  il  mio  in ge gno,</p>
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(a) Correct syllabification

(b) Syllabifier output

Figure 6: Incorrectly syllabified verses from the validation set. The number of correctly syllabified verses is 12819/2846 (~99% of the validation set)

|leg|ge, |mo|ne|ta, of|fi|cio e |co|stu|me  
 |di |No|stra |Don|na in |sul |li|to a|dri|a|no.  
 nel |pros|si|mo |si |dan|no, e nel |suo |a|ve|re  
 Già |e|ran |so|vra |noi |tan|to |le|va|ti  
 « |O |Vir|gi|lio, |Vir|gi|lio, |chi |è |que|sta?»,  
 che |mo|rì |per |la |bel|la |Dei|a|ni|ra,  
 s' |io |m' |in|tu|as|si, |co|me |tu |t' |in|mii».   
 Ma |io |veg|gi' |or |la |tua |men|te |ri|stret|ta  
 me|na|va |l' |o |li |oc|chi |per |li |gra|di,  
 a |tal |da |cui |la |no|ta |non |è |in|te|sa,  
 Io |non |E|nè|a, |io |non |Pa|u|lo |so|no;  
 ri|mon|tò 'l |du|ca |mio |e |tras|se |mee;  
 pon |giù |il |se|me |del |pian|ge|re e |a|scol|ta:  
 per |che |no |i |vol|le |Ge|de|on |com|pa|gni,  
 ma |sa|pì|en|za, a|mo|re |e |vir|tu|te,  
 ben |la |ruì|na, e |die|de|mi |di |pi|glio.  
 tra ' |quai |co|nob|bi |Et|tòr |ed |E|nea,  
 o|mai |la |na|vi|cel|la |del |mio |in|ge|gno,  
 Ve|de|va |Tro|ia in |ce|ne|re e in |ca|ver|ne;  
 e or |s' |ac|co|scia e |o|ra è |in |pie|di |stan|te.  
 e |quel|la |par|te |on|de |pri|ma |è |pre|so  
 chi |ei |si |fos|ser |e |on|de |ven|ner |qui|vi,  
 dal |suo |prin|ci|pio |ch' è |in |que|sto |tron|co|ne.  
 di |tut|ta |l' |a|ni|mal |per|fe|z|o|ne;  
 e |cu' |io |vi|di |su |in |ter|ra |la|ti|na,  
 di|nan|zi a |li |oc|chi |mi |si |fu |of|fer|to  
 sov|r' |al|trui |san|gue |in |na|tu|ral |va|sel|lo.  
 d' |in|fan|ti e |di |fem|mi|ne e |di |vi|ri.  
 cor|te|sia e |va|lor |di |se |di|mo|ra  
 El |dis|se a |me:« |To|sto |ver|rà |di |so|vra  
 guar|dan|do il |fo|co e |i|ma|gi|nan|do |for|te  
 fe|dir |tor|ne|a|men|ti e |cor|rer |gio|stra;  
 Li|bi|coc|co |veg|n' |ol|tre e |Dra|ghi|gnaz|zo,  
 tan|t' |e|ra |pien |di |son|no a |quel |pun|to  
 e |que|ste |co|se |pur |fu|ron |crea|tu|re;  
 non |di|sdeg|nò |di |far|si |sua |fat|tu|ra.  
 per |lei, |tan|to |che |a |Dio |si |so|di|sfac|cia,  
 e|ra o|no|ra|ta, es|sa e |suoi |con|sor|ti:  
 o |con |men |che |non |dee |cor|re |nel |be|ne,  
 di|sce|se, a|vria |me|stier |di |tal |mi|li|zia  
 il |qua|le e |il |quan|to |de |la |vi|va |stel|la  
 che |al |giu|di|cio |di|vin |pas|sion |com|por|ta?  
 Io |sta|va |so|vra 'l |pon|te a |ve|der |sur|to,  
 ma |pa|ri in |at|to e |o|ne|sto e |so|do.  
 e |den|tro a |quei |che |più |in|nan|zi ap|pa|ri|ro  
 d' u|na |di |lor |ch' |a|vea |tre |oc|chi in |te|sta.  
 ché a |tut|ti un |fil |di |fer|ro i |ci|gli |fó|ra

(a) Correct syllabification

|leg|ge, |mo|ne|ta, of|fi|cio e |co|stu|me  
 |di |No|stra |Don|na in |sul |li|to a|dri|a|no.  
 nel |pros|si|mo |si |dan|no, e nel |suo |a|ve|re  
 Già |e|ran |sov|ra |noi |tan|to |le|va|ti  
 « |O |Vir|gi|lio, |Vir|gi|lio, |chi |è |que|sta?»,  
 che |mo|rì |per |la |bel|la |Dei|a|ni|ra,  
 s' |io |m' |in|tu|as|si, |co|me |tu |t' |in|mii».   
 Ma |io |veg|gi' |or |la |tua |men|te |ri|stret|ta  
 me|na|va |l' |o |li |oc|chi |per |li |gra|di,  
 a |tal |da |cui |la |no|ta |non |è |in|te|sa,  
 Io |non |E|nè|a, |io |non |Pa|u|lo |so|no;  
 ri|mon|tò 'l |du|ca |mio |e |tras|se |me;  
 pon |giù |il |se|me |del |pian|ge|re e |a|scol|ta:  
 per |che |no |i |vol|le |Ge|deon |com|pa|gni,  
 ma |sa|pì|en|za, a|mo|re e |vir|tu|te,  
 ben |la |ruì|na, e |die|de|mi |di |pi|glio.  
 tra ' |quai |co|nob|bi |Et|tòr |ed |E|nea,  
 o|mai |la |na|vi|cel|la |del |mio |in|ge|gno,  
 Ve|de|va |Tro|ia in |ce|ne|re e in |ca|ver|ne;  
 e or |s' |ac|co|scia e |o|ra è |in |pie|di |stan|te.  
 e |quel|la |par|te |on|de |pri|ma |è |pre|so  
 chi |ei |si |fos|ser |e |on|de |ven|ner |qui|vi,  
 dal |suo |prin|ci|pio |ch' è |in |que|sto |tron|co|ne.  
 di |tut|ta |l' |a|ni|mal |per|fi|o|ne;  
 e |cu' |io |vi|di |su |in |ter|ra |la|ti|na,  
 di|nan|zi a |li |oc|chi |mi |si |fu |of|fer|to  
 sov|r' |al|trui |san|gue |in |na|tu|ral |va|sel|lo.  
 d' |in|fan|ti e |di |fem|mi|ne e |di |vi|ri.  
 cor|te|sia e |va|lor |di |se |di|mo|ra  
 El |dis|se a |me:« |To|sto |ver|rà |di |sov|ra  
 guar|dan|do il |fo|co e |i|ma|gi|nan|do |for|te  
 fe|dir |tor|ne|a|men|ti e |cor|rer |gio|stra;  
 Li|bi|coc|co |ve|gn' |ol|tre e |Dra|ghi|gnaz|zo,  
 tan|t' |e|ra |pien |di |son|no a |quel |pun|to  
 e |que|ste |co|se |pur |fu|ron |crea|tu|re;  
 non |di|sdeg|nò |di |far|si |sua |fat|tu|ra.  
 per |lei, |tan|to |che |a |Dio |si |so|di|sfac|cia,  
 e|ra o|no|ra|ta, es|sa e |suoi |con|sor|ti:  
 o |con |men |che |non |de |cor|re |nel |be|ne,  
 di|sce|se, a|vria |me|stier |di |tal |mi|li|zia  
 il |qua|le e |il |quan|to |de |la |vi|va |stel|la  
 che |al |giu|di|cio |di|vin |pas|sion |com|por|ta?  
 Io |sta|va |sov|ra 'l |pon|te a |ve|der |sur|to,  
 ma |pa|ri in |at|to e |o|ne|sto e |so|do.  
 e |den|tro a |quei |che |più |in|nan|zi ap|pa|ri|ro  
 d' u|na |di |lor |ch' |a|vea |tre |oc|chi in |te|sta.  
 ché a |tut|ti un |fil |di |fer|ro i |ci|gli |fó|ra

(b) Syllabifier output

Figure 7: Incorrectly syllabified verses from the training set. The number of correctly syllabified verses is 9870/9963 (~99% of the training set)

tras|si|mi|so|vra|quel|la|cre|a|tu|ra  
 On|de,|se|'l|mio|di|sir|dee|a|ver|fi|ne  
 Tu|non|se'|in|ter|ra,|sì|co|me|tu|cre|di;  
 su|per|lo|suol|che|d'|o|gne|par|te|a|u|li|va.  
 s'|e|ra|al|lun|ga|ta,|u|n|l|a|sé|in|per|so|na  
 e|in|quel|la|for|ma|ch'|è|in|lui|sug|gel|la  
 che|li|as|seg|nò|set|te|e|cin|que|per|die|ce,  
 co|me|fa|don|na|che|in|par|tu|rir|sia;  
 che|i|tre|a'|tre|pu|gnar|per|lui|an|co|ra.  
 che|a|ver|le|den|tro|e|so|ste|ner|lo|puz|zo  
 che|quel|che|vo|le|Id|dio,|e|noi|vo|le|mo».

ri|spuo|s'|io|lui,«|mi|smar|ri'|in|u|na|val|le,  
 ch'|a|la|pri|m'|ar|te|deg|nò|por|re|ma|no.  
 le|la|gri|me|tra|es|si|e|ri|ser|rol|li.  
 che|a|pe|na|po|scia|li|av|rei|ri|te|nu|ti;  
 che|nulla|vol|lon|tà|è|di|più|a|u|sa,  
 e|a|vea|in|at|to|im|pres|sa|e|sta|fa|vel|la  
 Io|co|min|ciai:«|O|fra|ti,|i|vo|stri|ma|li...»;  
 co|sì|tut|ta|la|gen|te|che|lì|e|ra,  
 “|Glo|ri|a|in|ex|cel|sis”|tut|ti”|Deo”  
 ma|per|sé|stes|sa|pur|fu|el|la|sban|di|ta  
 più|che|in|al|tra|con|vien|che|si|mo|va  
 sì|sta|va|in|pa|ce,|so|bria|e|pu|di|ca.  
 sì|che|'n|po|c'|o|ra|av|ria|l'|o|rec|chia|of|fe|sa.  
 E|già|il|po|e|ta|in|nan|zi|mi|sa|li|va,  
 giu|ra|to|av|ria|po|co|lon|ta|no|a|spet|to  
 «|Man|tù|a...»,|e|l'|om|bra,|tut|ta|in|sé|ro|mi|ta,  
 es|so|li|ta|re|sta|to|ac|cet|to|e|faul|sto;  
 ri|comp|pie|for|se|ne|gli|gen|za|e|in|dul|gio  
 se|o|ra|zì|o|ne|in|pri|ma|non|m'|a|i|ta  
 nu|vo|le|spes|se|non|pai|on|né|ra|de,  
 mi|dis|se:«|Non|sai|tu|che|tu|se'|in|cie|lo?  
 «|Qui|li|tro|vai-|e|poi|vol|ta|non|dier|no-»,  
 qui|vi|sto|io|con|quei|che|le|tre|san|te  
 ché|Bran|ca|Do|ria|non|mo|rì|un|quan|che,  
 Bug|gea|sie|de|e|la|ter|ra|on|d'|io|fui,  
 nel|qual|non|si|dee|cre|der|che|s'|in|vii  
 ri|ma|sa|è|per|dan|no|de|le|car|te.  
 che|ri|ce|ve|da|Eu|ro|mag|gior|bri|ga,  
 i'|di|co|di|Trai|a|no|im|pe|ra|do|re;  
 ri|spon|di|a|me|che|'n|se|te|e|'n|fo|co|ar|do.  
 Lo|re|ge|per|cui|que|sto|re|gno|pau|sa  
 pe|ne|ia,|quan|do|al|cun|di|sé|as|se|ta.  
 In|es|sa|ge|rar|cia|son|l'|al|tre|dee:  
 del|bel|lo|o|vil|le|o|v'|io|dor|mi'|a|gnel|lo,  
 del|di|re|e|del|ta|cer,|si|sta;|on|d'|io,

(a) Correct syllabification

tras|si|mi|sov|ra|quel|la|cre|a|tu|ra  
 On|de,|se|'l|mio|di|sir|de|a|ver|fi|ne  
 Tu|non|se'|in|ter|ra,|sì|co|me|tu|cre|di;  
 su|per|lo|suol|che|d'|o|gne|par|te|a|u|li|va.  
 s'|e|ra|al|lun|ga|ta,|u|n|l|a|sé|in|per|so|na  
 e|in|quel|la|for|ma|ch'|è|in|lui|sug|gel|la  
 che|li|as|se|gnò|set|te|e|cin|que|per|die|ce,  
 co|me|fa|don|na|che|in|par|tu|rir|sia;  
 che|i|tre|a'|tre|pu|gnar|per|lui|an|co|ra.  
 che|a|ver|le|den|tro|e|so|ste|ner|lo|puz|zo  
 che|quel|che|vo|le|Id|dio,|e|noi|vo|le|mo».

ri|spuo|s'|io|lui,«|mi|smar|ri'|in|u|na|val|le,  
 ch'|a|la|pri|m'|ar|te|de|gnò|por|re|ma|no.  
 le|la|gri|me|tra|es|si|e|ri|ser|rol|li.  
 che|a|pe|na|po|scia|li|av|rei|ri|te|nu|ti;  
 che|nulla|vol|lon|tà|è|di|più|a|u|sa,  
 e|a|vea|in|at|to|im|pres|sa|e|sta|fa|vel|la  
 Io|co|min|ciai:«|O|fra|ti,|i|vo|stri|ma|li..  
 co|sì|tut|ta|la|gen|te|che|lì|e|ra,  
 “|Glo|ri|a|in|ex|cel|sis”|tut|ti”|Deo”  
 ma|per|sé|stes|sa|pur|fu|el|la|sban|di|ta  
 più|che|in|al|tra|con|vien|che|si|mo|va  
 sì|sta|va|in|pa|ce,|so|bria|e|pu|di|ca.  
 sì|che|'n|po|c'|o|ra|av|ria|l'|o|rec|chia|of|fe|sa.  
 E|già|il|po|e|ta|in|nan|zi|mi|sa|li|va,  
 giu|ra|to|av|ria|po|co|lon|ta|no|a|spet|to  
 «|Man|tù|a...»,|e|l'|om|bra,|tut|ta|in|sé|ro|mi|ta,  
 es|so|li|ta|re|sta|to|ac|cet|to|e|faul|sto;  
 ri|comp|pie|for|se|ne|gli|gen|za|e|in|dul|gio  
 se|o|ra|zì|o|ne|in|pri|ma|non|m'|a|i|ta  
 nu|vo|le|spes|se|non|pai|on|né|ra|de,  
 mi|dis|se:«|Non|sai|tu|che|tu|se'|in|cie|lo?  
 «|Qui|li|tro|vai-|poi|vol|ta|non|dier|no-»,  
 qui|vi|sto|io|con|quei|che|le|tre|san|te  
 ché|Bran|ca|Do|ria|non|mo|rì|un|quan|che,  
 Bug|gea|sie|de|e|la|ter|ra|on|d'|io|fui,  
 nel|qual|non|si|de|cre|der|che|s'|in|viii  
 ri|ma|sa|è|per|dan|no|de|le|car|te.  
 che|ri|ce|ve|da|Eu|ro|mag|gior|bri|ga,  
 i'|di|co|di|Trai|a|no|im|pe|ra|do|re;  
 ri|spon|di|a|me|che|'n|se|te|e|'n|fo|co|ar|do.  
 Lo|re|ge|per|cui|que|sto|re|gno|pau|sa  
 pe|ne|ia,|quan|do|al|cun|di|sé|as|se|ta.  
 In|es|sa|ge|rar|cia|son|l'|al|tre|de:  
 del|bel|lo|o|vil|le|o|v'|io|dor|mi'|a|gnel|lo,  
 del|di|re|e|del|ta|cer,|si|sta;|on|d'|io,

(b) Syllabifier output

Figure 8: Incorrectly syllabified verses from the training set. The number of correctly syllabified verses is 9870/9963 (~99% of the training set)

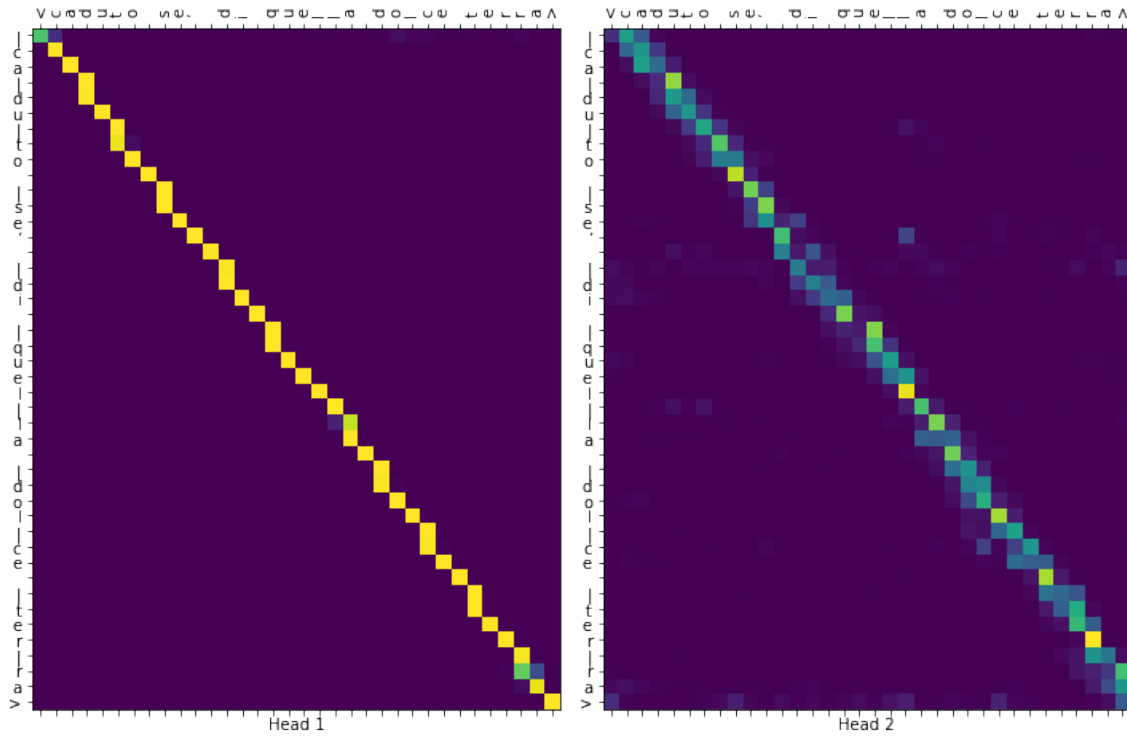


Figure 9: Syllabifier attention plots for input verse *caduto se' di quella dolce terra*

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FOUND CONFLICT:
Generator output:  ch' i' |fos|si a|va|si |che |per |me |di |io
Syllabifier output: ch' i' |fos|si |a|va|si |che |per |me |di |io

FOUND WRONG NUMBER OF SYLLABLES:
Generator output = Syllabifier output: ba|le|va |la |pre|di|cò |le |ter|re |mol|li
Number of syllables: 12

FOUND CONFLICT:
Generator output:  mo |ch' el|la |per |lo |tuo |pen|sa|ria |stes|na
Syllabifier output: mo |ch' el|la |per |lo |tuo |pen|sa|ria |ste|sna

FOUND CONFLICT:
Generator output:  la |pi|sto|e|ta in |su |la |ru|i|na
Syllabifier output: la |pi|sto|e|ta in |su |la |rui|na

FOUND WRONG NUMBER OF SYLLABLES:
Generator output = Syllabifier output: o|mai |ve|dè|a' |ne|re |san|gue in |sa
Number of syllables: 10

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Figure 10: Constraint violations found by the syllabifier during the generation process



<p>ahi  quan to a  l' o ro e  tu 'l  sa rà  di  pa ra  e ra gian do mi  pria  di  dio  lau da to  la  sua  ve du ta  già  in  su  la  fo ra</p> <p>o  to sco  ch' al  pet to  fu  de  la  mat to  sì  co me  tri sce  di  cuor  de  la  val le  e  non  ve dea  io  ch' io  non  so  di sfat to</p> <p>e  tu  ve drai  pa rea  be mie  pa sto le  e  te sta o ra zion  pic cio la al  cam mi no  che a  pe na  po scia  li av vin le  sue  scu le</p> <p>e  no stra  pop pa  nel  no stro  sof fer no  de'  fa re mi  fa  la  som mer ce ne ra  fa  ve der  noi  e  an cor  fa  di ser no</p> <p>e  voi  che 'l  scen nir  fu  già  mai  o ra ra  li be re  sta va e  non  la scia  re lit ta  sì  che 'n ver so  noi  la  via  con  la  cu ra</p> <p>d' un  pec ca tor  me stier  più  non  fu  tol ta  la  sca la zion  de  li al tri  fa cea  buo ne  e  da  la  no va  gra ve  si  di sciol ta</p> <p>sì  nel  fer ro  mon do e  io  per ché  suo ne  co sì  quel  fu  fra te  che  più  s' ap pa da  la  pio ggia  con nel  fon do  che  na ven ne</p> <p>le  do lo gi gne  gra zia  val le  chia da  so vra  lo  qua le an dar  l' et ter na  po glie  di sce si  del  vo la re e  non  mi  ri da</p> <p>e  io  se  quei  che  com'  io  ti  fa vel glie  ch' i'  stra ni as se  me  con  la  tua  stan za  per  gra var  la  pa ce e  da  no vel ra glie</p> <p>on de  fu  det to a  l' o pe re  che a  men za  po scia  del  ciel  più  bel la  sua  fi gu ra  ta le  fac cian  le  be a ti  mon te za</p> <p>stel li a  lui  se 'l  mon do  sen ten za  fu ra  fa ce va  pri ma  chi  pa ce e  re tag gio  tut ti  le  gen ti  tue  pa ra zion  gi ra</p>	<p>ahi quanto a l' oro e tu 'l sarà di para  eragiandomi pria di dio laudato  la sua veduta già in su la fora</p> <p>o toasco ch' al petto fu de la matto  sì come trisce di cuor de la valle  e non vedea io ch' io non so disfatto</p> <p>e tu vedrai pareia bemie pastole  e testa orazion picciola al cammino  che a pena poscia li avvinle sue scule</p> <p>e nostra poppa nel nostro sofferno  de' faremi fa la sommercenera  fa veder noi e ancor fa diserno</p> <p>e voi che 'l scennir fu già mai orara  libere stava e non lascia relitta  sì che 'nverso noi la via con la cura</p> <p>d' un peccator mestier più non fu tolta  la scalazion de li altri facea buone  e da la nova grave si disciolta</p> <p>sì nel ferro mondo e io perché suone  così quel fu frate che più s' appada  la pioggia connel fondo che navenne</p> <p>le dologigne grazia valle chiada  sovra lo quale andar l' etterna poglie  discesi del volare e non mi rida</p> <p>e io se quei che com' io ti favelglie  ch' i' straniasse me con la tua stanza  per gravar la pace e da novelraglie</p> <p>onde fu detto a l' opere che a menza  poscia del ciel più bella sua figura  tale faccian le beati monteza</p> <p>stelli a lui se 'l mondo sentenza fura  faceva prima chi pace e retaggio  tutti le genti tue parazion gira</p>
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(a) With syllabification marks

(b) Without syllabification marks

Figure 11: Generator output