



Lightening of models by design

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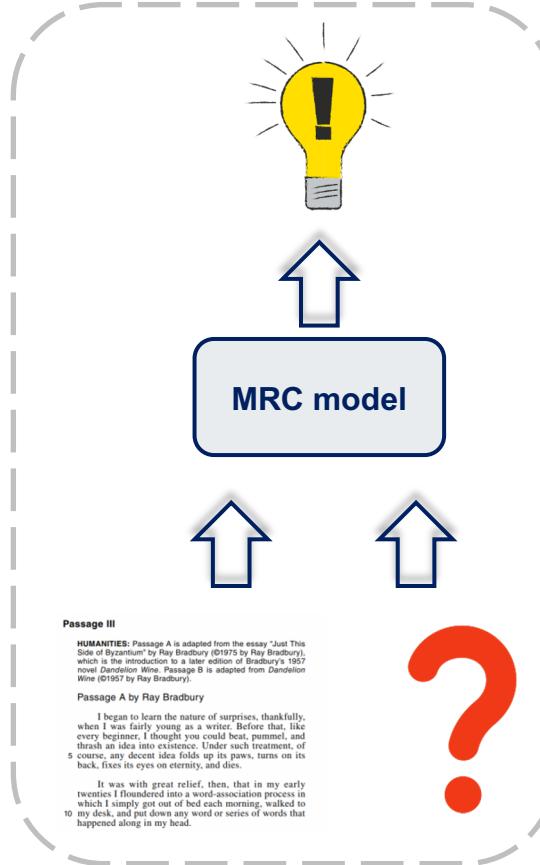
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Machine Reading Comprehension

Machine Reading Comprehension (MRC) as Explainability by *initio*

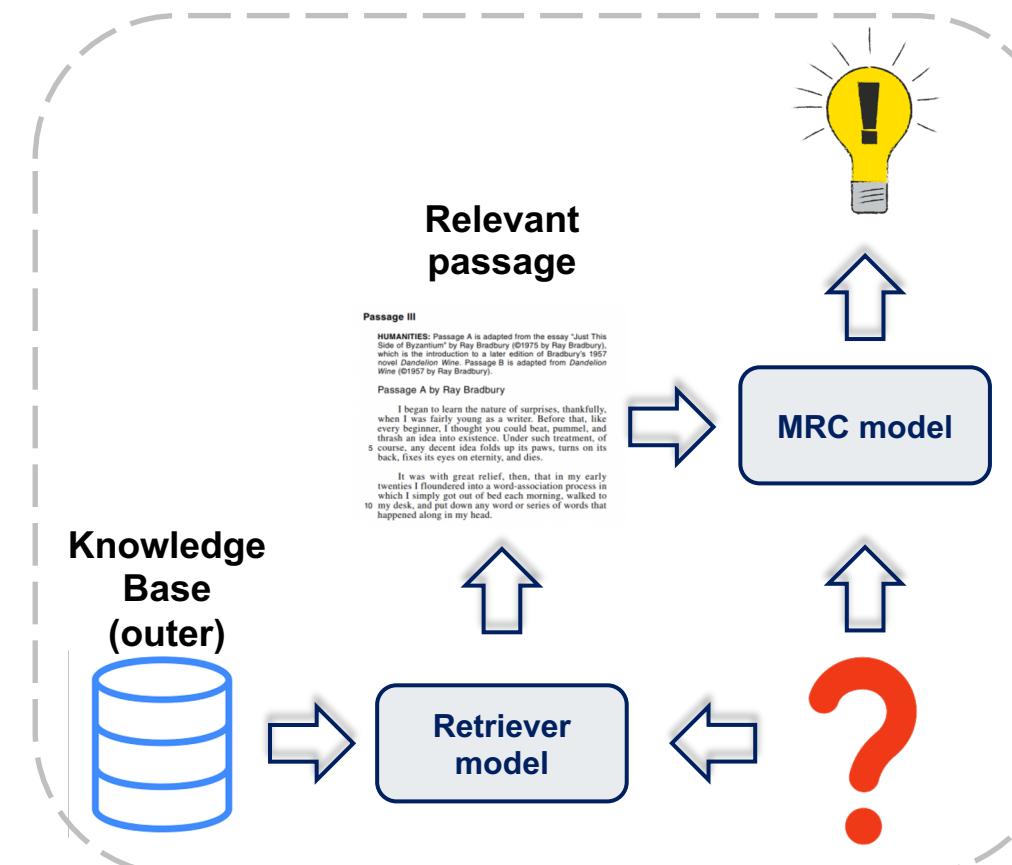
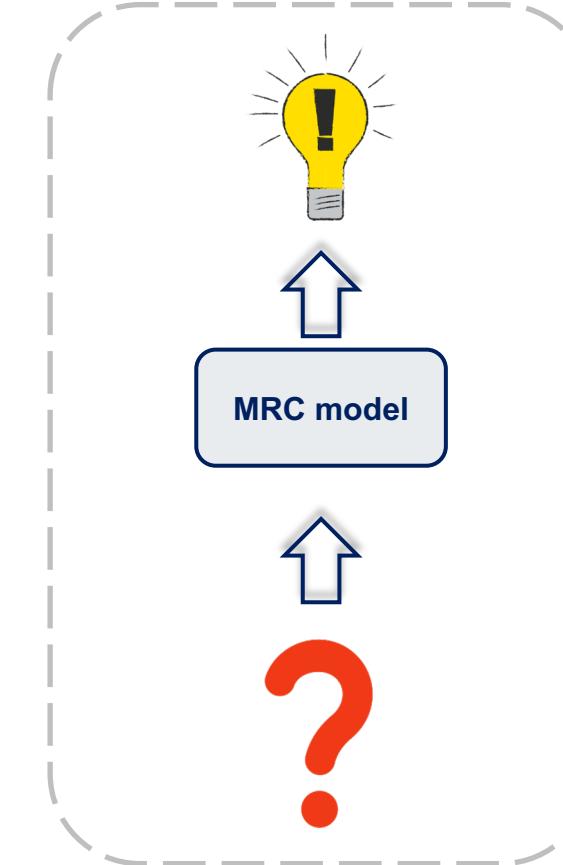
- Question Answering (QA): standard NLP task
- Now most of the best QA-systems are **generation-based**:
 - Means that only large (or even HUGE) **decoder** is used
 - All the information needed to answer the question is stored **inside decoder weights**
 - But the output is **unexplainable**: the model just knows (or not!) the answer
- What we'd like to have: the explainability **WHY** the system provides this answer
- In terms of MRC it means that the system can provide the **relevant text passage** (or passages), **containing** the correct answer
 - And the **human** can **understand** whether the system was right about its guessing
 - At the same time, it can lead to **decreasing** the model **size** (usage of a number of small models is still more efficient than one huge decoder)

Machine Reading Comprehension: common paradigms



**Extraction of knowledge
from relevant passage
Not possible in real-world**

**Generation of knowledge^{1,2}
Not scalable, all information
is stored inside MRC
model weights (like T5/GPT-3)**



**2-stage: first to retrieve the relevant model
from outer text corpus, then extract
knowledge from this passage
Realistic, explainable and scalable approach**

[1] Roberts, Adam, Colin Raffel, and Noam Shazeer. "How Much Knowledge Can You Pack Into the Parameters of a Language Model?."

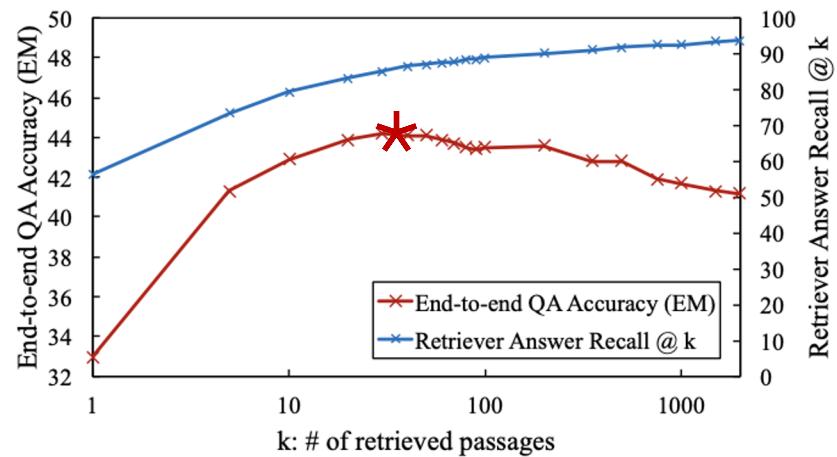
[2] Brown, Tom B., et al. "Language models are few-shot learners."

02

Retrieval to the rescue!

Retriever \neq Reader¹

(a) End-to-end QA accuracy (Exact Match, y-axis on the left) of DPR reader and the retrieval recall rate (y-axis on the right) of DPR retriever.



Main idea:

- Retriever is not approx. of Reader: having more data helps a little for the Reader, but then drops quickly
- Retriever is a sort of representational bottleneck
- Can improve Retriever by KD from Reader: helps significantly for retrieval, but not so much for MRC
 - RDR: Reader-distilled Retriever
- KD by aligning similarities doc < \triangleright query

Retriever improvement after KD

Dataset	NQ-dev				NQ-test				TriviaQA-test			
	1	20	50	100	1	20	50	100	1	20	50	100
Top-k	1	20	50	100	1	20	50	100	1	20	50	100
DPR-Single	44.2 [‡]	76.9 [‡]	81.3 [‡]	84.2	46.3	78.4 [†]	84.1	85.4 [†]	54.4	79.4 [†]	82.9	85.0 [†]
↳ w/ RDR	54.1 (+9.9)	80.7 (+3.8)	84.1 (+2.8)	85.8 (+1.6)	54.2 (+7.9)	82.8 (+4.4)	86.3 (+2.2)	88.2 (+2.8)	62.5 (+8.1)	82.5 (+3.1)	85.7 (+2.8)	87.3 (+2.3)
SOTA	51.7 [‡]	79.2 [‡]	83.0 [‡]	-	-	79.4 [†]	-	86.0 [†]	-	79.9 [†]	-	85.0 [†]

Reader improvement after KD

Dataset	NQ-test			TriviaQA-test		
	Top-1		Reported	Top-1		Reported
	EM	EM	Top-k	EM	EM	Top-k
DPR-Single	32.3	41.5	50	44.5	56.8	50
↳ w/ RDR	37.3 (+5.0)	42.1 (+0.6)	10	49.1 (+4.6)	57.0 (+0.2)	50
RAG-Token	39.4	44.1	15	-	55.2	-
↳ w/ RDR	40.9 (+1.5)	44.5 (+0.4)	15	-	-	-

$$p_\eta(z|x) \propto \exp(\mathbf{d}(z)^\top \mathbf{q}(x))$$

$$\mathbf{d}(z) = \text{BERT}_d(z), \quad \mathbf{q}(x) = \text{BERT}_q(x)$$

BERT as a Retriever (DPR)

[1] Yang, Sohee, and Minjoon Seo. "Is Retriever Merely an Approximator of Reader?." (NAVER Corp)

Fusion-in-Decoder (FiD)¹: RB model for MRC

FiD
= usual retriever + generator as reader + reading answer from N passages

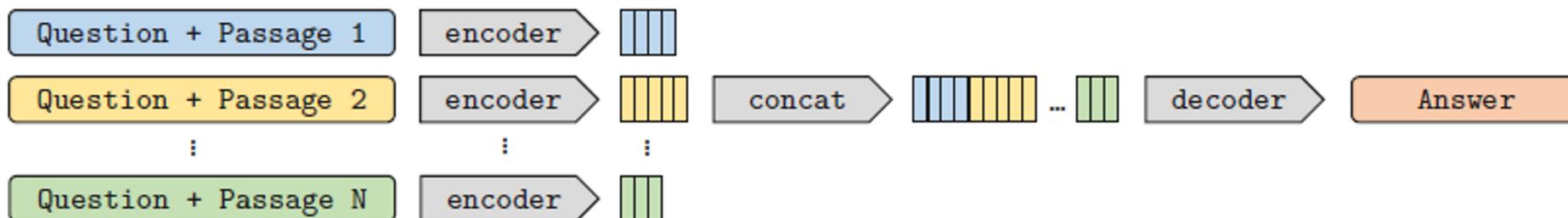
Main idea:

- **Retriever:** DPR (BERT-doc + BERT-query)
- **Reader is seq2seq T5**, having **query + retrieved doc** as an **input**
 - added special tokens - question:, title: and context: before the question, title and text of each passage
- **Fusion-in-Decoder:** output based on **N > 1 passages**

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BERT as a Retriever (DPR)

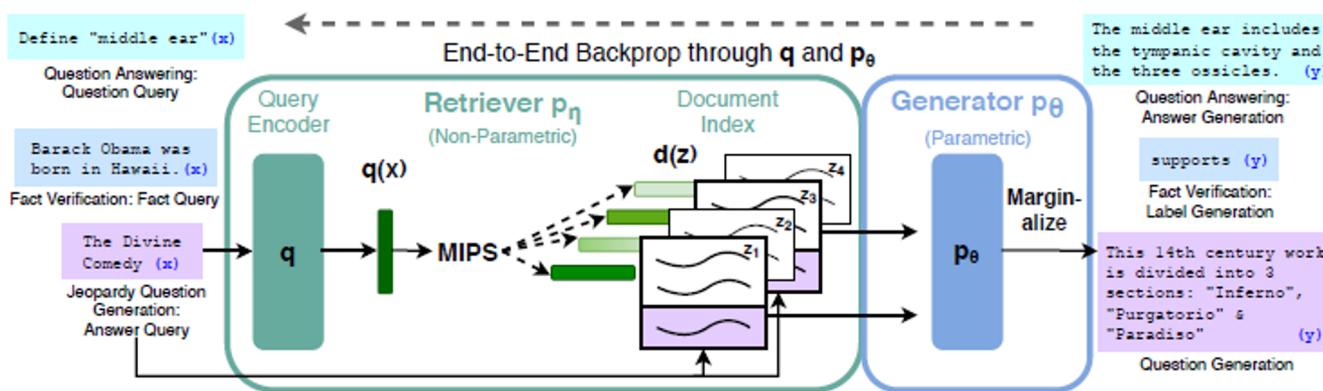


Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)¹: RB model for MRC

RAG
=
usual retriever
+
generator as reader

Main idea:

- End-to-end backprop through retriever AND reader
- Retriever is initialized from **DPR²** approach
- Reader is **seq2seq BART**, having **query + retrieved doc** as an input
- Generator can provide the output based on **1 passage** (Sequence-based) or **k > 1 passages** (Token-based)
- Better than **BERT-based reader**, but **more heavy** (400M vs 110M)



Seq2seq generator (BART) As a Reader

1 passage:

$$p_{\text{RAG-Sequence}}(y|x) \approx \sum_{z \in \text{top-}k(p(\cdot|x))} p_\eta(z|x) \prod_i^N p_\theta(y_i|x, z, y_{1:i-1})$$

k passages:

$$p_{\text{RAG-Token}}(y|x) \approx \prod_i^N \sum_{z \in \text{top-}k(p(\cdot|x))} p_\eta(z|x) p_\theta(y_i|x, z, y_{1:i-1})$$

[1] Lewis, Patrick, et al. "Retrieval-augmented generation for knowledge-intensive nlp tasks." (Facebook)

[2] Karpukhin, Vladimir, et al. "Dense passage retrieval for open-domain question answering." (Facebook) // ColBERT-like

03

Entity Linking

Biomedical Entity Linking

NIH U.S. National Library of Medicine

ClinicalTrials.gov

Condition or disease 	Intervention/treatment 	Phase 
Squamous Cell Carcinoma of Lung	Drug: Icotinib	Phase 2
Non-Squamous Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer	Drug: Erlotinib	Phase 2
NSCLC Non-small Cell Lung Cancer	Drug: MEDI4736 (anti-PD-L1)	Phase 2
Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer, Ovarian Cancer	Drug: DNIB0600A	Phase 1

Carcinoma, Non-Small-Cell Lung MeSH Descriptor Data 2021

Ovarian Neoplasms MeSH Descriptor Data 2021

Details Qualifiers MeSH Tree Structures Concepts

MeSH Heading
Tree Number(s) Carcinoma, Non-Small-Cell Lung
C04.588.894.797.520.109.220.249

C08.381.540.140.500
C08.785.520.100.220.500

Unique ID D002289
RDF Unique Identifier <http://id.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/D002289>

Annotation coordinate IM with LUNG NEOPLASMS (IM); CARCINOMA, LARGE CELL and SMALL CELL LUNG CARCINOMA are also available
Scope Note A heterogeneous aggregate of at least three distinct histological types of lung cancer, including SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA; ADENOCARCINOMA; and LARGE CELL CARCINOMA. They are dealt with collectively because of their shared treatment strategy.

Details Qualifiers MeSH Tree Structures Concepts

MeSH Heading
Tree Number(s) Ovarian Neoplasms
C04.588.322.455

C13.351.500.056.630.705
C13.351.937.418.685
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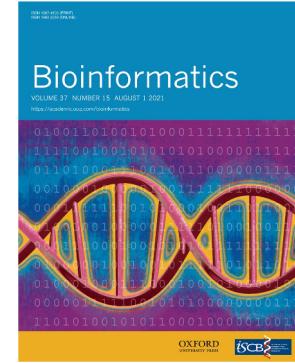
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Annotation coordinate IM with histologic type of neoplasm (IM)
Scope Note Tumors or cancer of the OVARY. These neoplasms can be benign or malignant. They are classified according to the tissue of origin, such as the surface EPITHELIUM, the stromal endocrine cells, and the totipotent GERM CELLS.





Our approach DILBERT

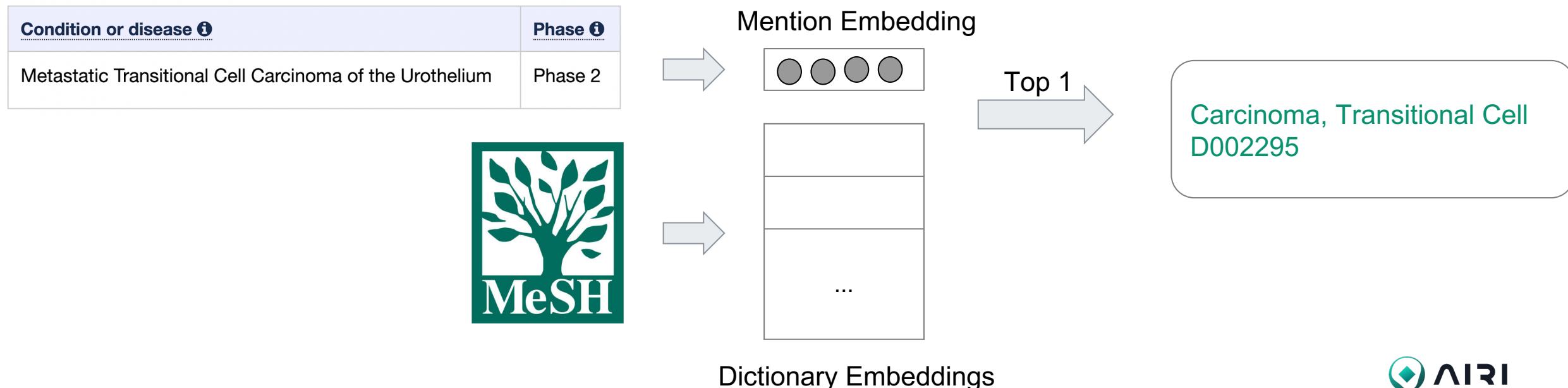


Drug and Disease Interpretation Learning with Biomedical Entity Representation Transformer

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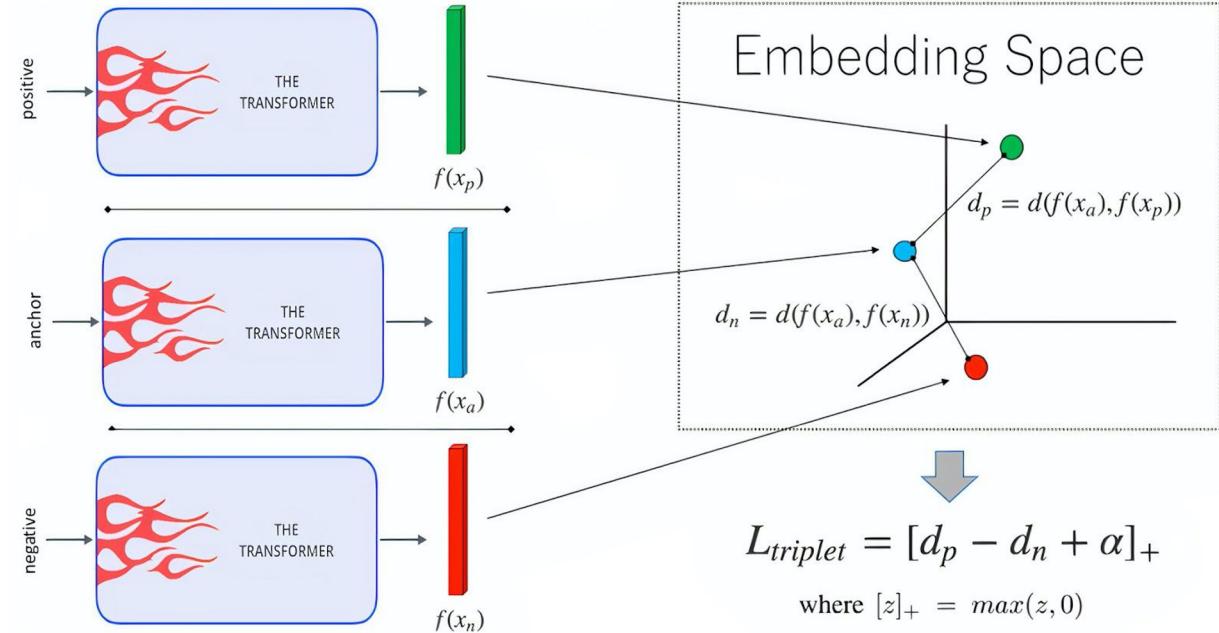
DILBERT - Design

- Most of the best biomedical entity linking systems:
 - are trained & evaluated in the single-terminology setting
 - use classification type losses and online processing (a.k.a. readers)
- We focus on **cross-terminology** mapping of entity mentions to a given lexicon **without additional re-training**
- Fast, **real-time inference** -- all concept names from a terminology are cached



DILBERT - Training

- We use triplets of free-form entity mention, positive and negative concept names



Disease mention

Condition or disease ①	Phase ①
NSCLC Non-small Cell Lung Cancer	Phase 2

Positive concept names

Carcinoma, Non-Small-Cell Lung
Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
Non-Small Cell Lung Carcinoma

The rest of the MeSH dictionary for negative sampling

Carcinoma, Bronchogenic
Lung Neoplasms
Cancer of the Lung
Rhinitis
...



Let's remove bias!

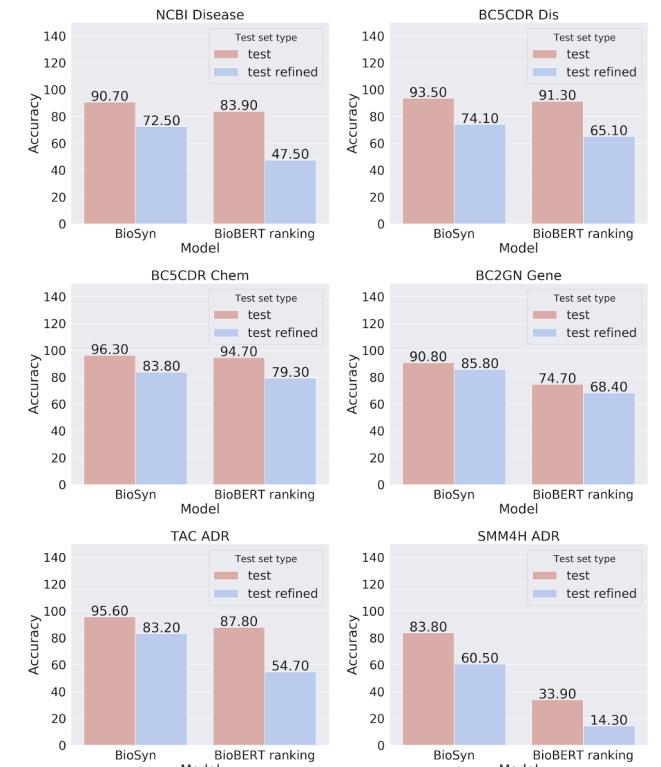
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Fair Evaluation in Concept Normalization: a Large-scale Comparative Analysis for BERT-based Models

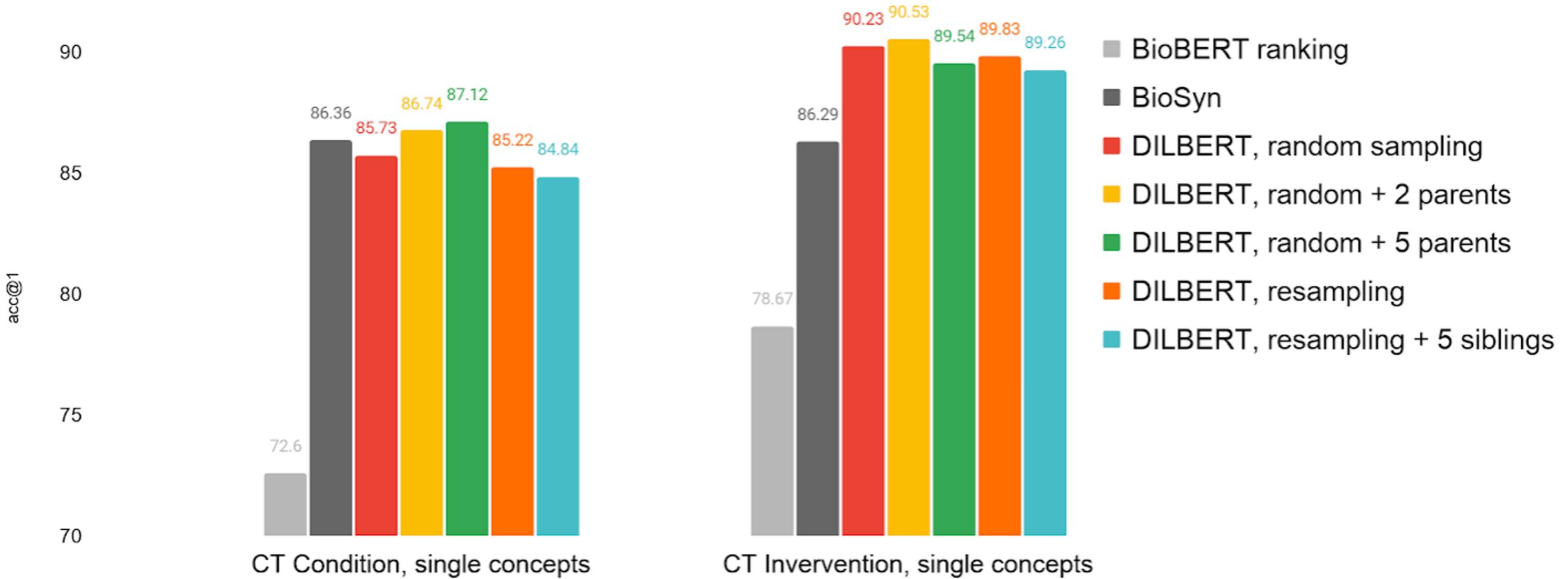
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- Evaluation of benchmarks: BioCreative V CDR, BioCreative II GN, NCBI Disease, and TAC 2017 ADR
- App. 80% entity mentions in the test set are textual duplicates of other entities presented in the test set or train+dev sets
- Divergence in performance between these the original and **refined** test sets (app. 15%)
- Propose *cross-terminology* evaluation

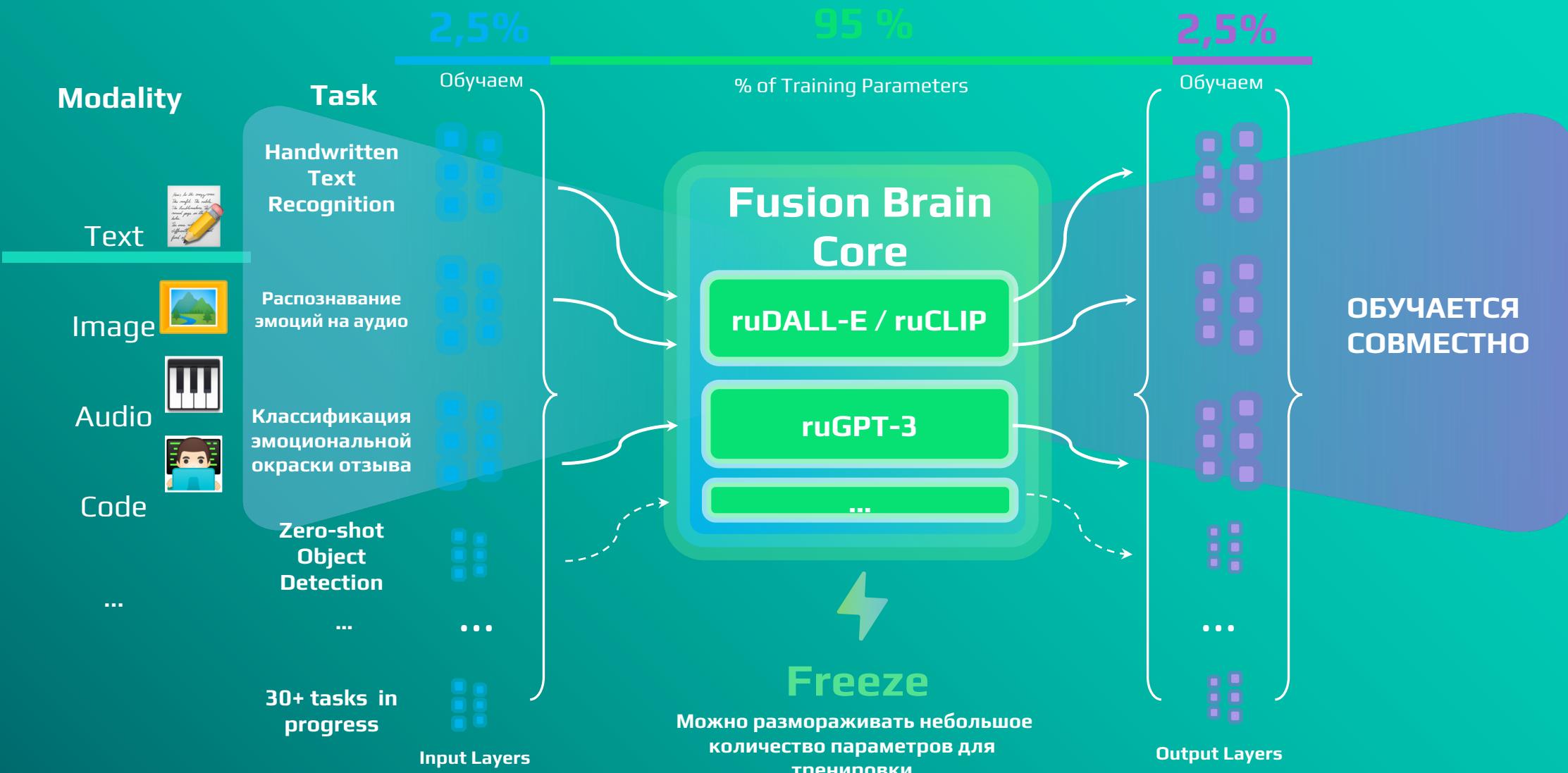
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Experiments



Fusion Brain: Effective Multi-modal Multi-task model



STATISTICAL LEARNING

Gentlemen, our learner overgeneralizes because the VC-Dimension of our Kernel is too high, Get some experts and minimize the structural risk in a new one. Rework our loss function, make the next kernel stable, unbiased and consider using a soft margin



NEURAL NETWORKS

STACK
MORE
LAYERS

