“Darling, what am I looking at?”

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Create an automatic text-to-speech caption generator for the visually impaired via Deep Learning

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- *Python, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, Numpy*
- *Matplotlib, Seaborn*
- *TensorFlow & Keras*
- *Flask*

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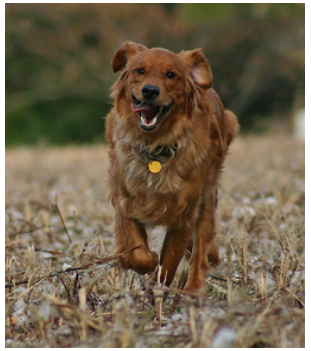

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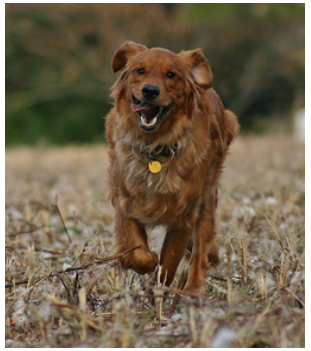

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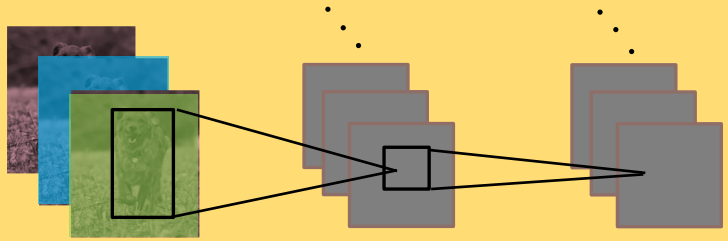

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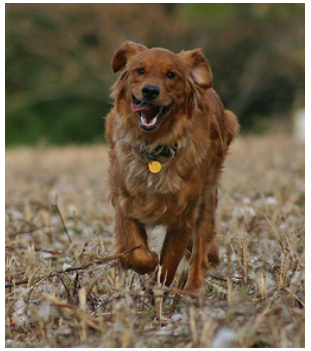

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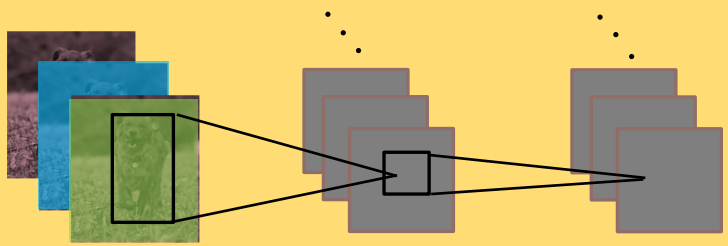

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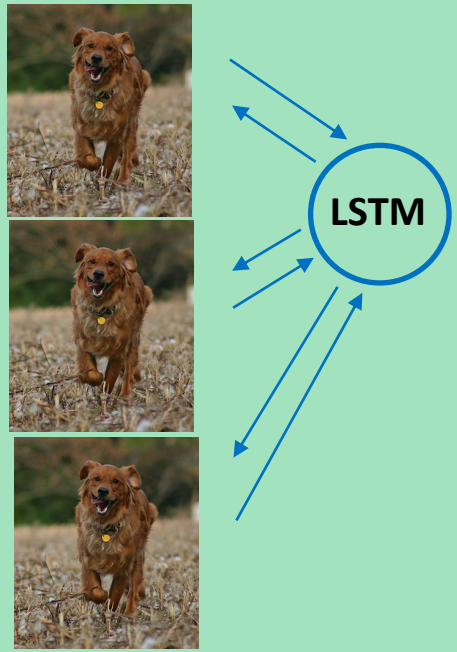

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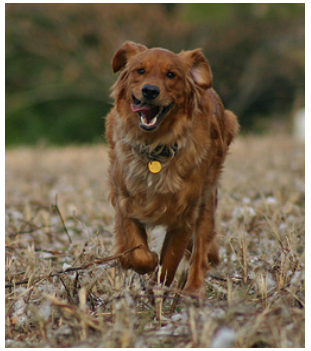

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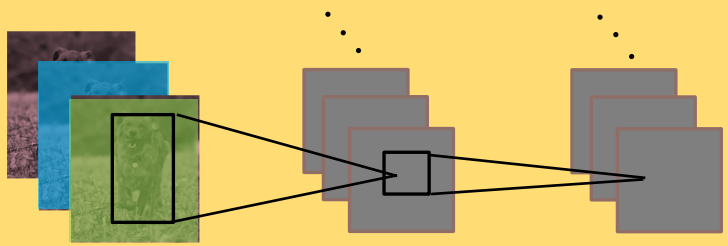

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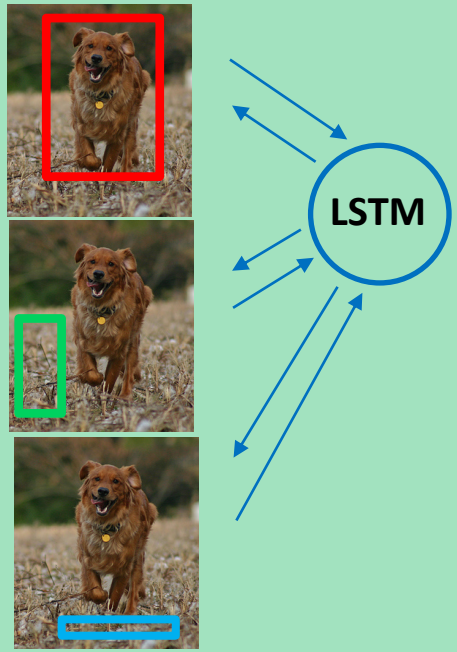

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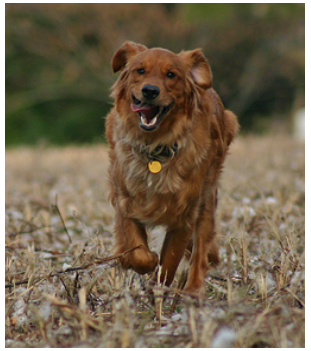

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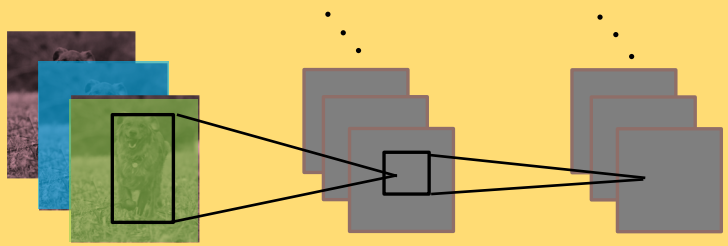

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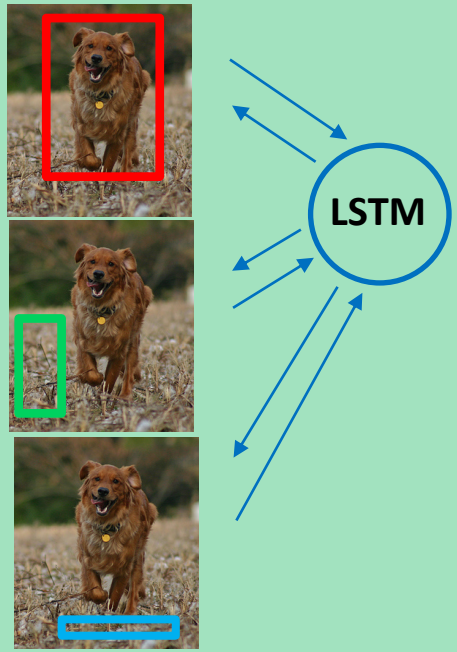
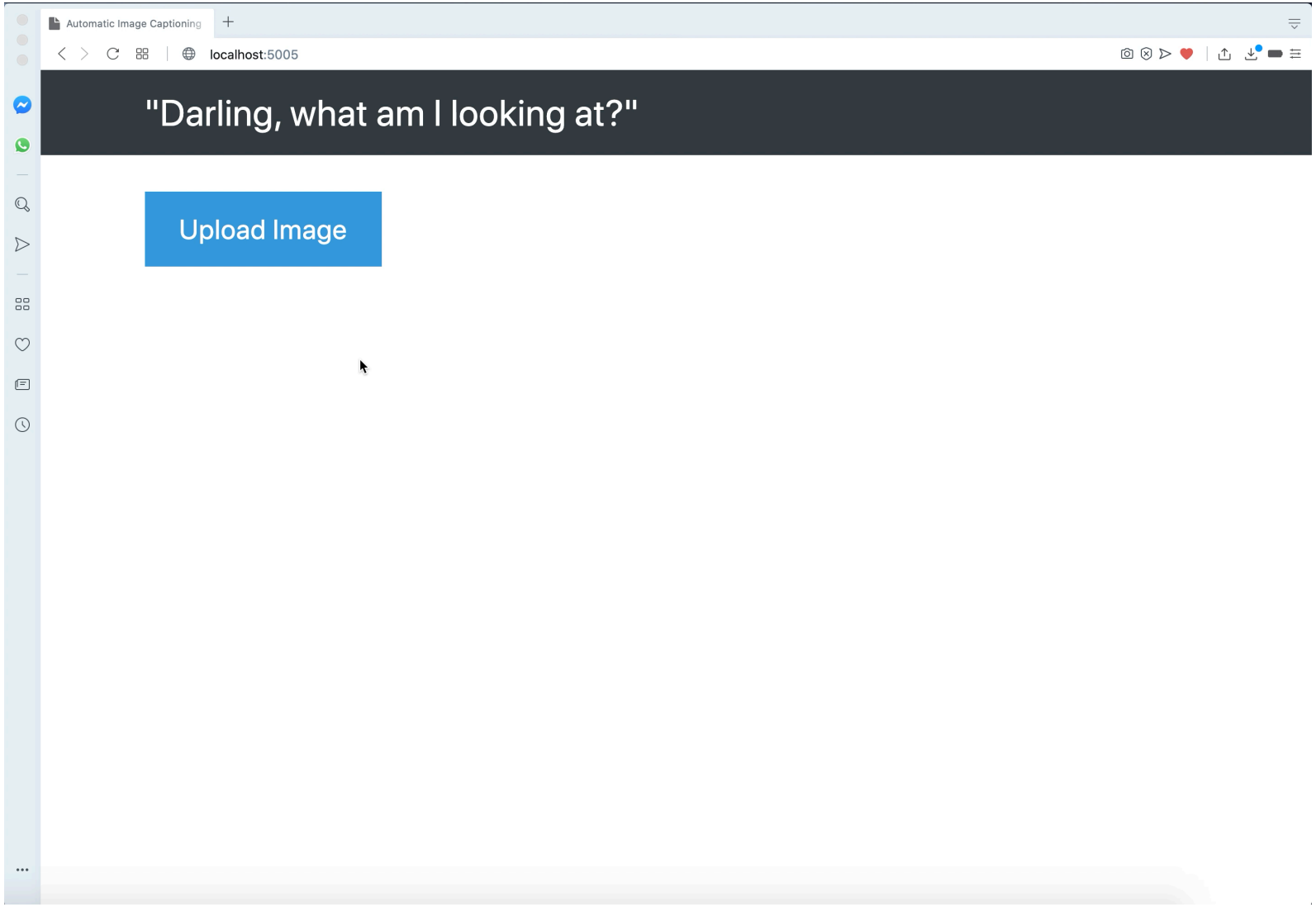


4. Caption!

Predicted:
"Brown dog is running in the grass"

Flask App Demonstration



Future Work

Further improve RNN & Metrics

- *Hyper-parameter tuning, Attention Model, BLEU*

Need more data!

- *Flickr: 30,000*
- *MSCOCO: 100,000*
- *Google: Several million*

Extend to paintings, videos, etc.

Thank You

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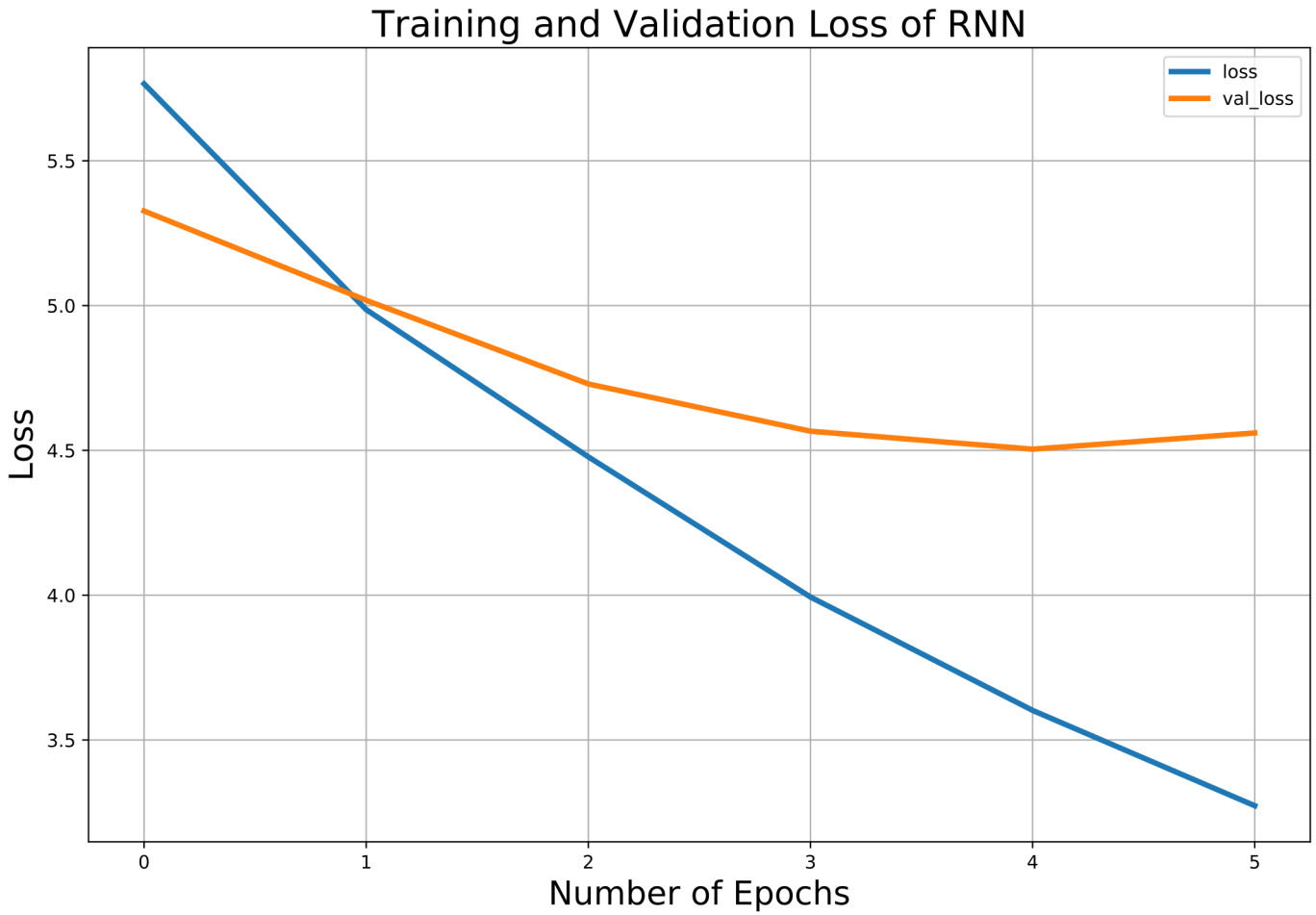
Appendix


Training and Validation Loss of RNN
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0
1
2
3
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Number of Epochs