

# Transfer learning and Data augmentation for Mail.ru questions

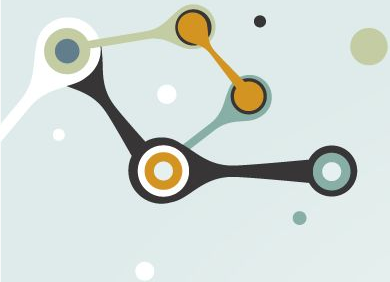
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# Initial work plan



1. EDA
2. Baseline tf-idf with 3 layer perceptron
3. Advanced model on fast text
4. Embeddings from transformer models
  - a. **Bert-base-multilingual-uncased**
  - b. **Bert-base-multilingual-cased**
  - c. **Xlm-mlm-17-1280**
  - d. **Elmo**
5. Data augmentation
6. Result comparing



# Baseline - Perceptron

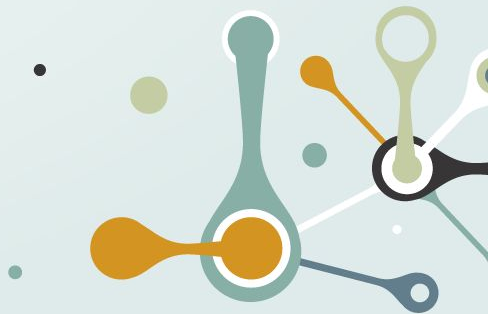
## Model features

- Xavier weight initialization
- Batch norm
- 3 layers linear
- Dropout - 0.2

## Data representation:

- TF-idf - ngram = (1,1)

**Result: 59.2**



# Preprocessing

Options:

- As is
- English or Russian words
- Normalized (En\Ru) words



# Advanced model

Pad sequences  
Batch norm  
Xavier distribution

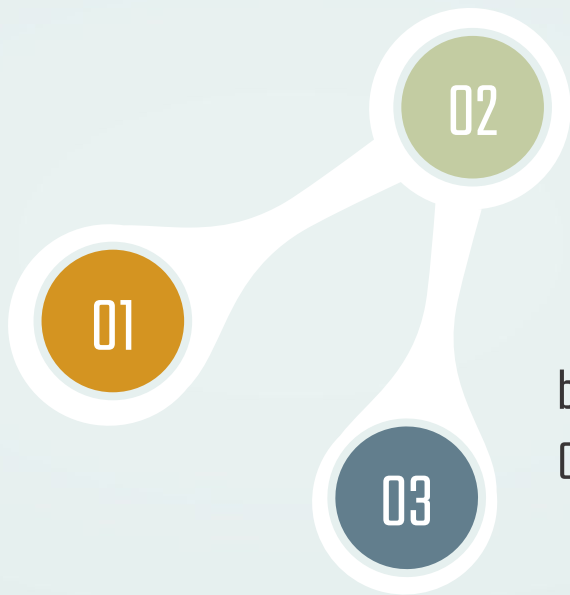
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02

Self-Attention  
DropOut (5 times)

03

biLSTM  
CNN(3,4,5 grams)



# Embeddings

**bERT**  
(UNcased, multiling)  
56,7

**eLMO**  
0

**bERT**  
(cased, multiling)  
55,9

**xLM**  
56,9

## Answers usage

Tagging answer using  
question category



# IN DEPTH

- Two layer biLSTM
- Two attention heads
- Increase number of model parameters
- Less Dropout value
- Data = 3,3 million, 70% unknown words :(
- Train on extended data ~4 hours
- Adopt to the question domain: 1 epoch on “true” questions

**Result: 64,45**





# Thank you for attention

