
OTCE: Hybrid SSM and Attention with Cross Domain Mixture of Experts to construct Observer-Thinker-Conceiver-Expresser

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Abstract

We have found that combining Mamba with Transformer architecture outperforms using Mamba or Transformer architecture alone in language modeling tasks. We propose a position information injection method that connects the selective state space model with the quadratic attention, and integrates these two architectures with hybrid experts with cross-sharing domains, so that we can enjoy the advantages of both. We design a new architecture with a more biomimetic idea: Observer-Thinker-Conceiver-Expresser (OTCE), which can compete with well-known medium-scale open-source language models on a small scale in language modeling tasks.

1. Introduction

The Transformers (Attention is All You Need (?)) architecture is popular in modern deep learning language modeling, which can directly capture the relationship between any two elements in a sequence, effectively handle long-distance dependencies, however, the architecture has two main drawbacks. First, when processing long sequences, its self-attention mechanism’s quadratic complexity and cache size limit the ability to handle long contexts. Second, Transformer lacks a single summary state, which means that each generated token must compute over the entire context, which exacerbates the model’s computational burden. Meanwhile, the Selective State Model (Mamba (?)) has emerged. Mamba achieves linear scaling of sequence length during training and maintains a constant state size during generation through its selective state update mechanism. Moreover, due to its linear recursive state update mechanism, Mamba has a single summary state. However, Mamba also has a major drawback, that is, its positional information depends on the implicit local positional information provided by the causal convolution, while long-distance dependencies depend on the matrix D that skips the connection between input and output. This makes Mamba perform poorly in capturing long-distance dependencies, such as correctly cap-

turing input-output formats in context learning (ICL). An efficient model must have a small state, and an effective model must have a state that contains all the necessary information from the context. To build a model that is both efficient and effective, the key is to design a state that is both compact and comprehensive in capturing the necessary context information. Our main goal is to combine self-attention and the Selective State Model to overcome their respective limitations, further combine them with a mixed expert with extensive general and cross-domain knowledge to build a better basic model architecture than Transformers or Mamba. The model has the ability to learn long context dependencies, aggregate states, and efficient reasoning. This paper proposes a bionic perspective, aiming to explore new model architectures by cleverly combining the Selective State Model with self-attention mechanism. This approach can fully utilize the advantages of the two mechanisms and promote language modeling in a more efficient and effective direction.

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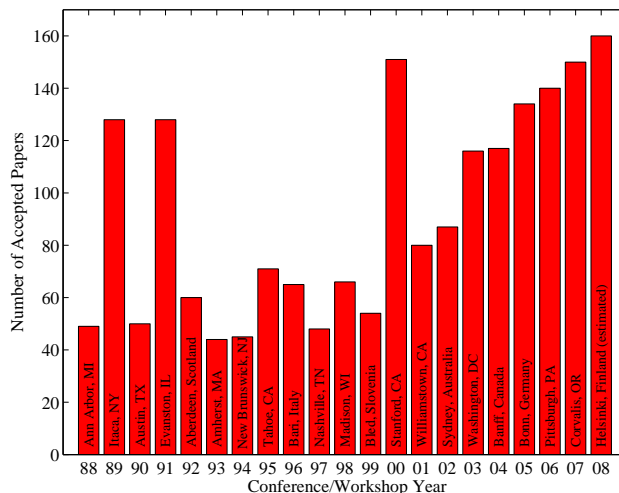


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Algorithm 1 Bubble Sort

Input: data x_i , size m
repeat
 Initialize $noChange = true$.
 for $i = 1$ **to** $m - 1$ **do**
 if $x_i > x_{i+1}$ **then**
 Swap x_i and x_{i+1}
 $noChange = false$
 end if
 end for
until $noChange$ is $true$

Table 1. Classification accuracies for naive Bayes and flexible Bayes on various data sets.

DATA SET	NAIVE	FLEXIBLE	BETTER?
BREAST	95.9± 0.2	96.7± 0.2	✓
CLEVELAND	83.3± 0.6	80.0± 0.6	×
GLASS2	61.9± 1.4	83.8± 0.7	✓
CREDIT	74.8± 0.5	78.3± 0.6	
HORSE	73.3± 0.9	69.7± 1.0	×
META	67.1± 0.6	76.5± 0.5	✓
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Using Definition 2.1 we immediate get the following result:

Proposition 2.2. *If f is injective mapping a set X to another set Y , the cardinality of Y is at least as large as that of X*

Proof. Left as an exercise to the reader. □

Lemma 2.3 stated next will prove to be useful.

Lemma 2.3. *For any $f : X \rightarrow Y$ and $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ injective functions, $f \circ g$ is injective.*

Theorem 2.4. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is bijective, the cardinality of X and Y are the same.*

An easy corollary of Theorem 2.4 is the following:

Corollary 2.5. *If $f : X \rightarrow Y$ is bijective, the cardinality of X is at least as large as that of Y .*

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