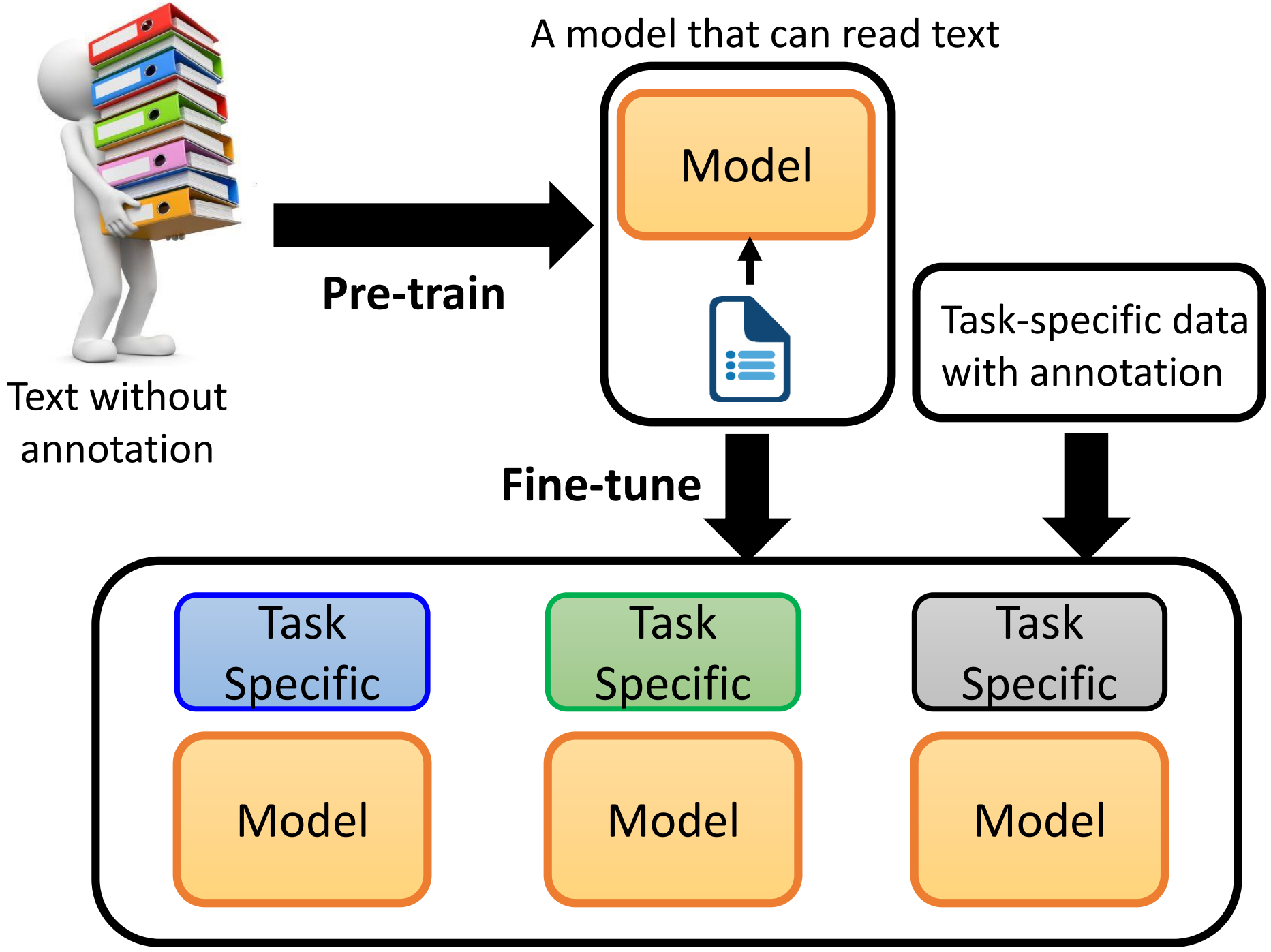


# BERT and its family

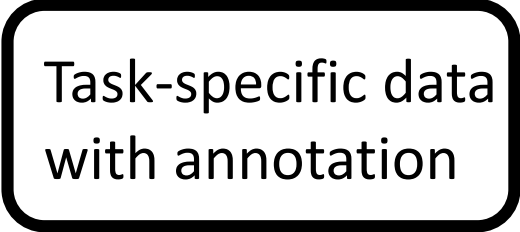
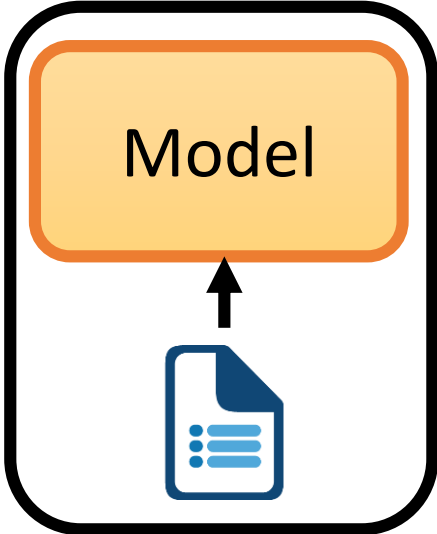
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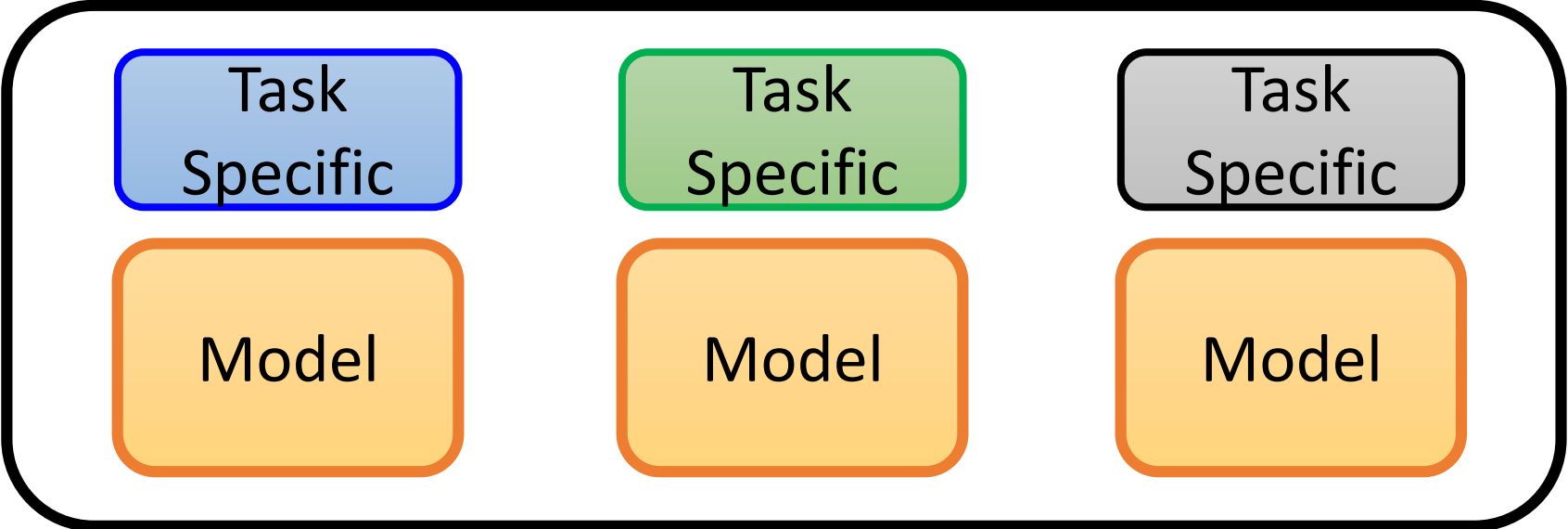
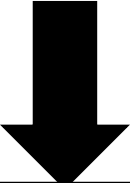
A model that can read text



**Pre-train**



**Fine-tune**



Text without annotation

Task Specific

Task Specific

Task Specific

Model

Model

Model



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芝麻街



BPON

PAY P A P A Y A Y  
M E M M E N E  
P A Y  
M E

CHEMMY  
OMG CHAM  
BETTER  
I THINK  
I'M  
BROD BOB

FRANKA

BEON →

CHANG

LEAKS

STAY REAL



Big Bird  
Big **B**inary **R**ecursive  
**D**ecoder?

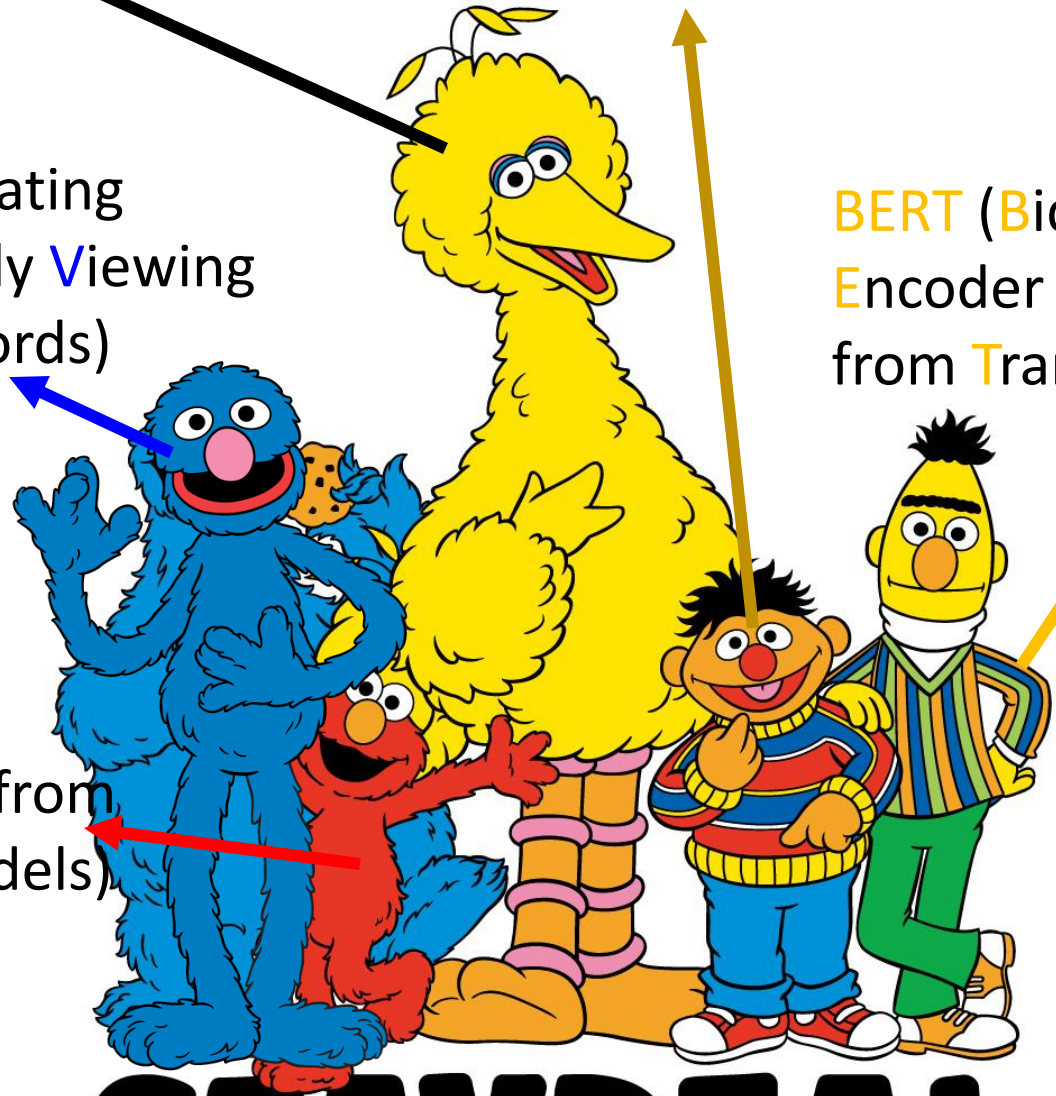
**ERNIE** (**E**nhaned **R**epresentation  
through **K**nowledge **I**ntegration)

**Grover** (**G**enerating  
**a**Rticles by **O**nly **V**iewing  
**m**Etadata **R**ecords)

**BERT** (**B**idirectional  
**E**ncoder **R**epresentations  
from **T**ransformers)

**ELMo**  
(**E**mbeddings from  
**L**anguage **M**odels)

BERT & PALs  
(**P**rojected  
**A**ttention  
**L**ayers)



**STAYREAL**

# Outline

What is pre-train model

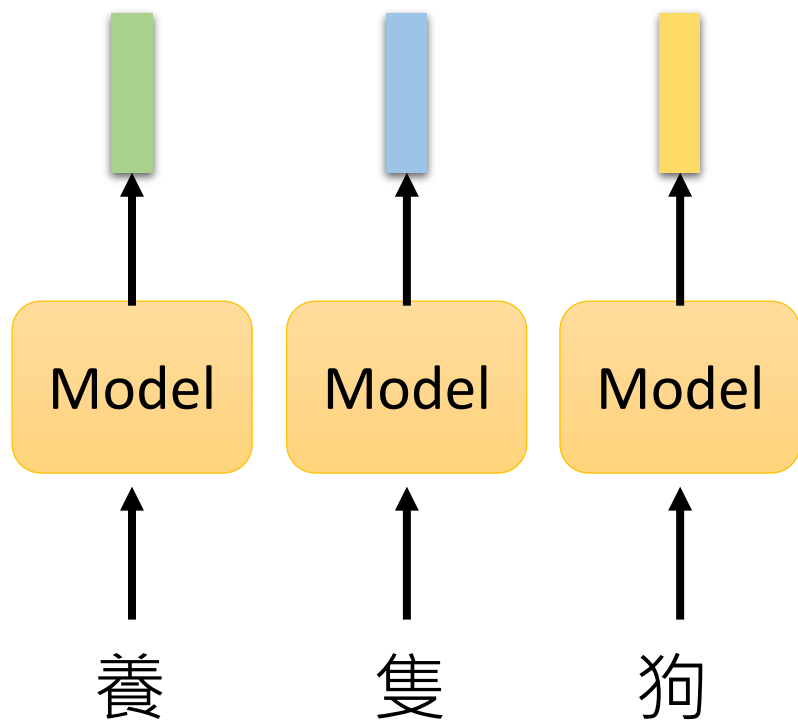
How to fine-tune

How to pre-train

Pre-train Model

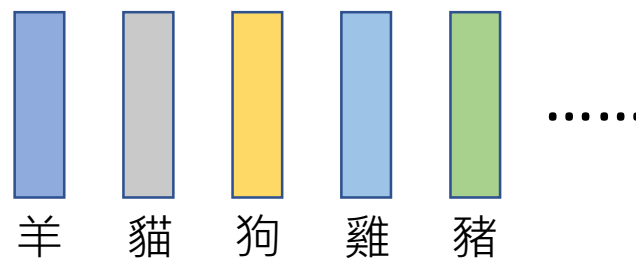
# Pre-train Model

Represent each token by a embedding vector



The token with the same type has the same embedding.

Simply a table look-up

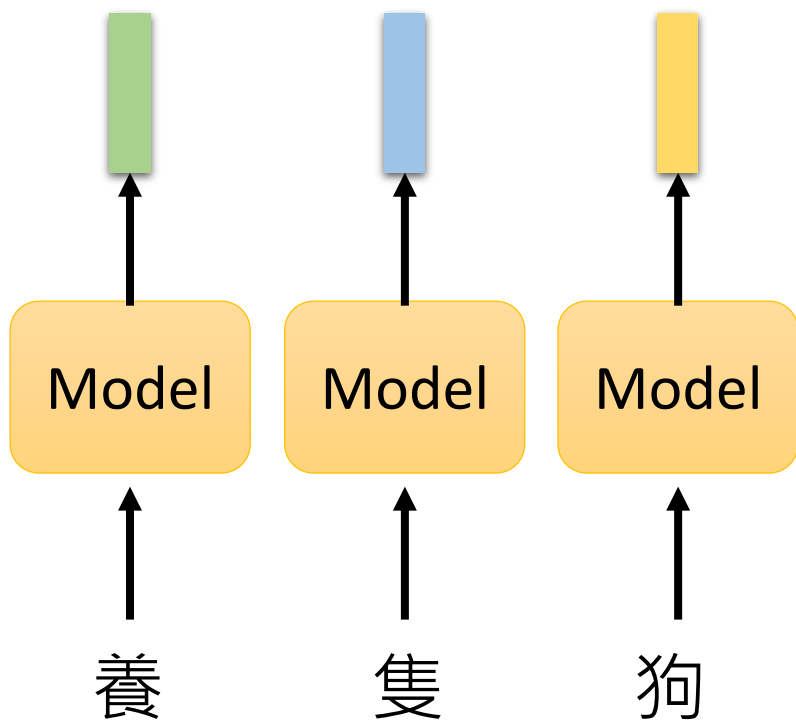


Word2vec [Mikolov, et al., NIPS'13]

Glove [Pennington, et al., EMNLP'14]

# Pre-train Model

Represent each token by a embedding vector

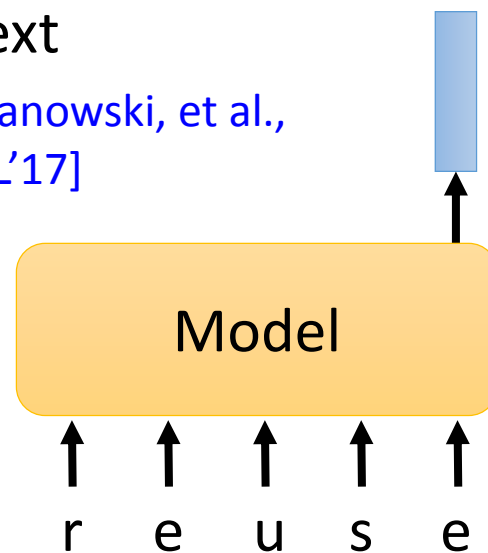


The token with the same type has the same embedding.

English word as token ...

FastText

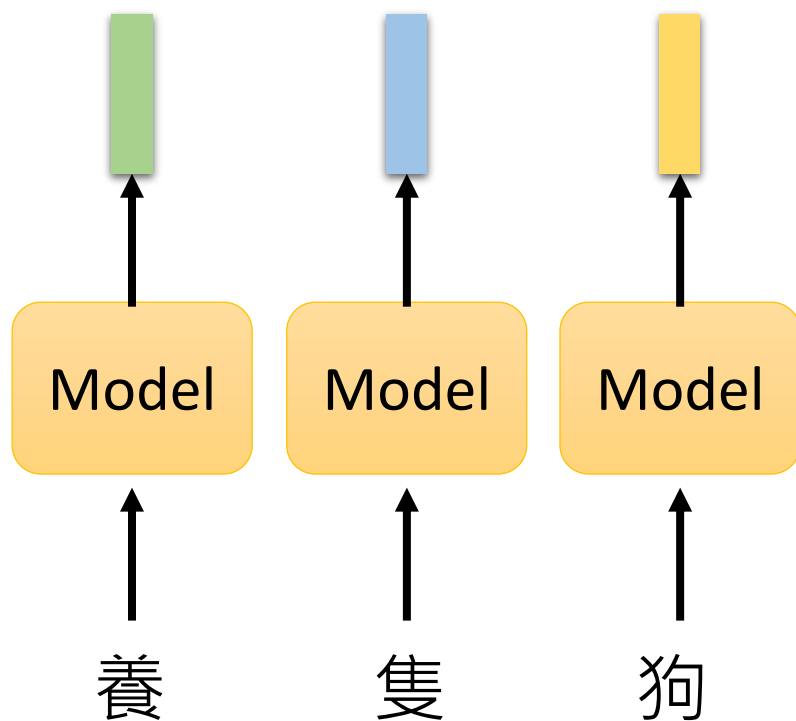
[Bojanowski, et al.,  
TACL'17]





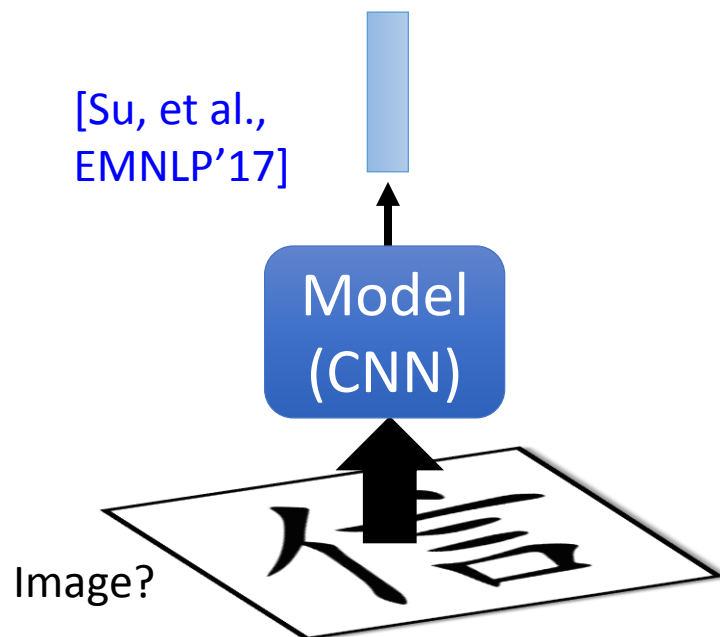
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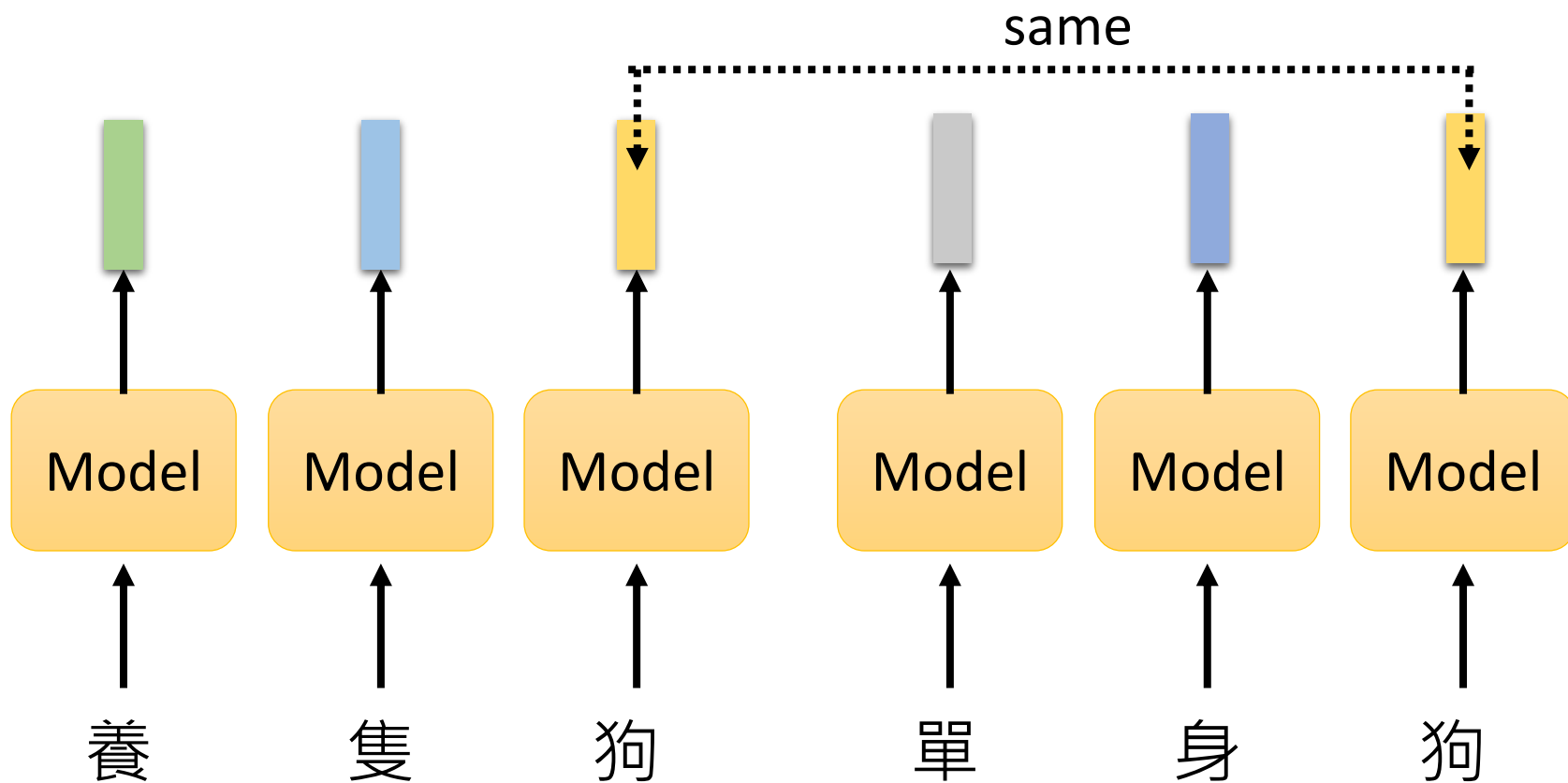
The token with the same type has the same embedding.

Chinese character as token ...



# Pre-train Model

Represent each token by a embedding vector



Pre-train  
Representation



大家都听我说!

我们都是狗!

隻

狗

單

身

狗

different

養

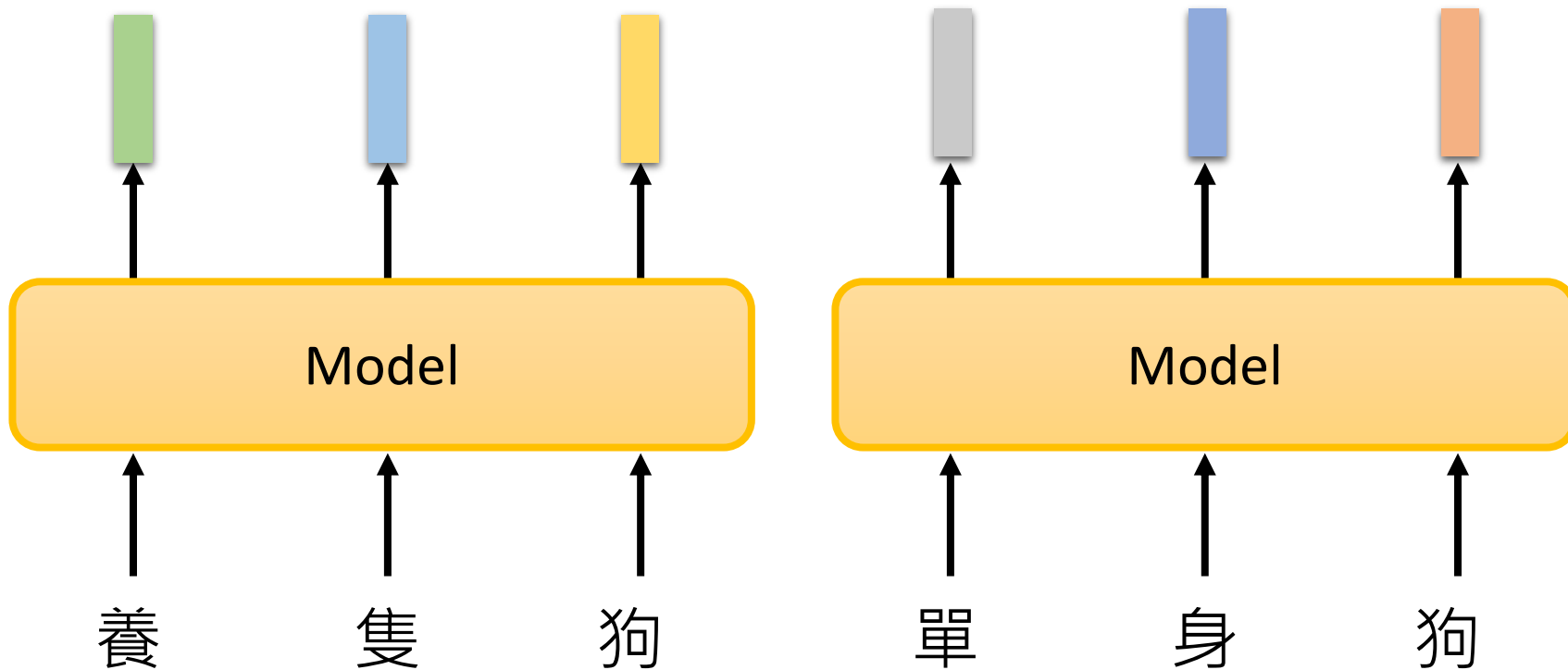
Model

Model



# Pre-train Model

Contextualized Word Embedding



# Pre-train Model

Contextualized Word Embedding

Many Layers

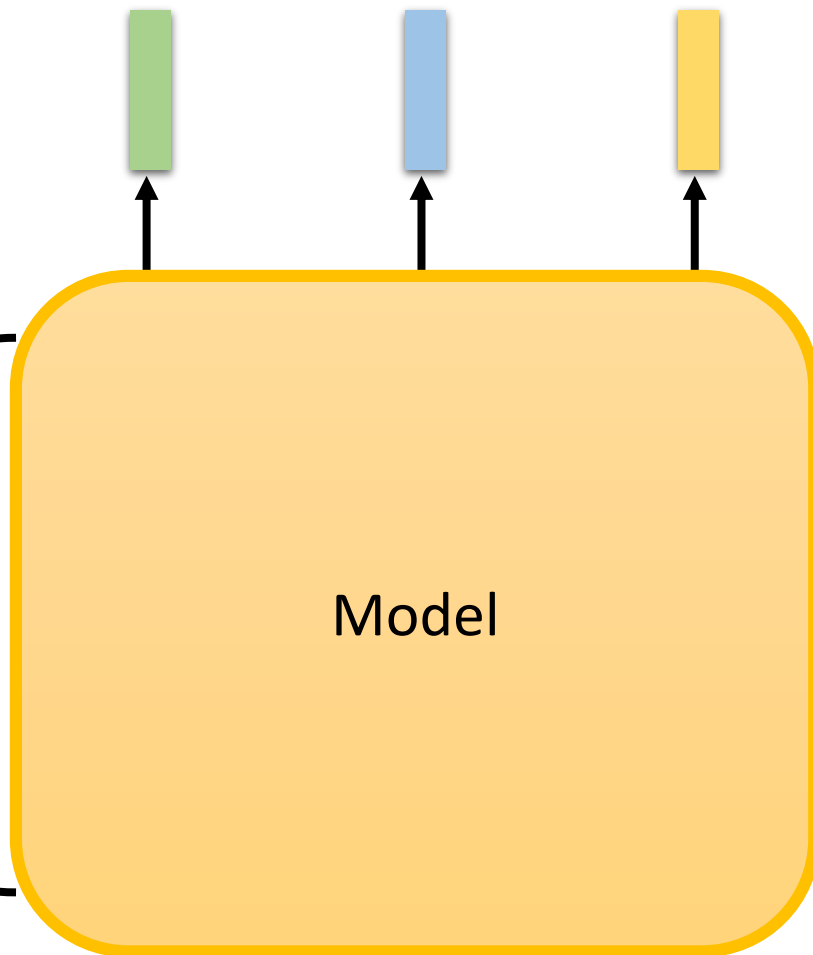
Model

- LSTM
- Self-attention layers
- Tree-based model (?)
  - Ref: <https://youtu.be/z0uOq2wEGcc>

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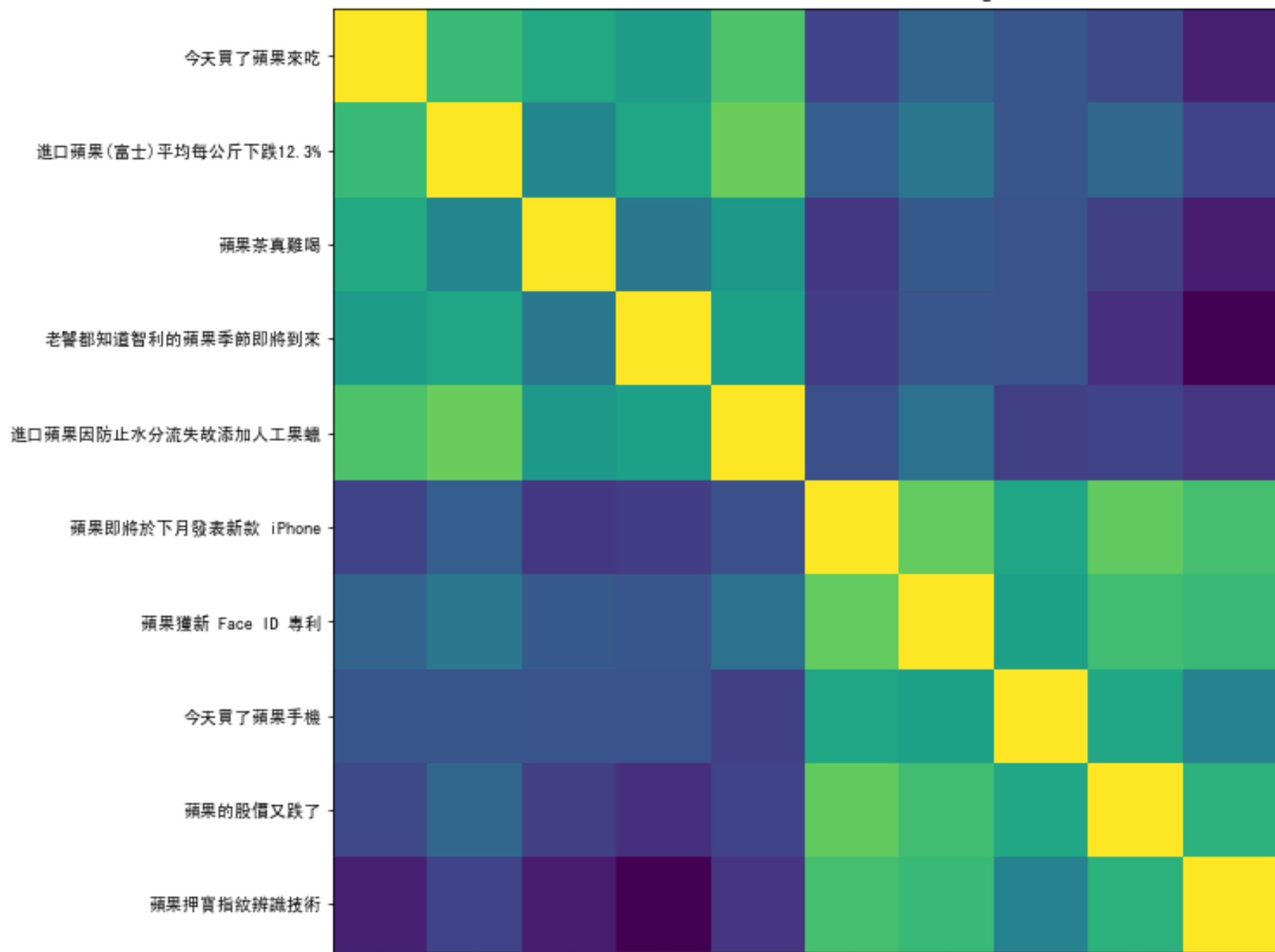
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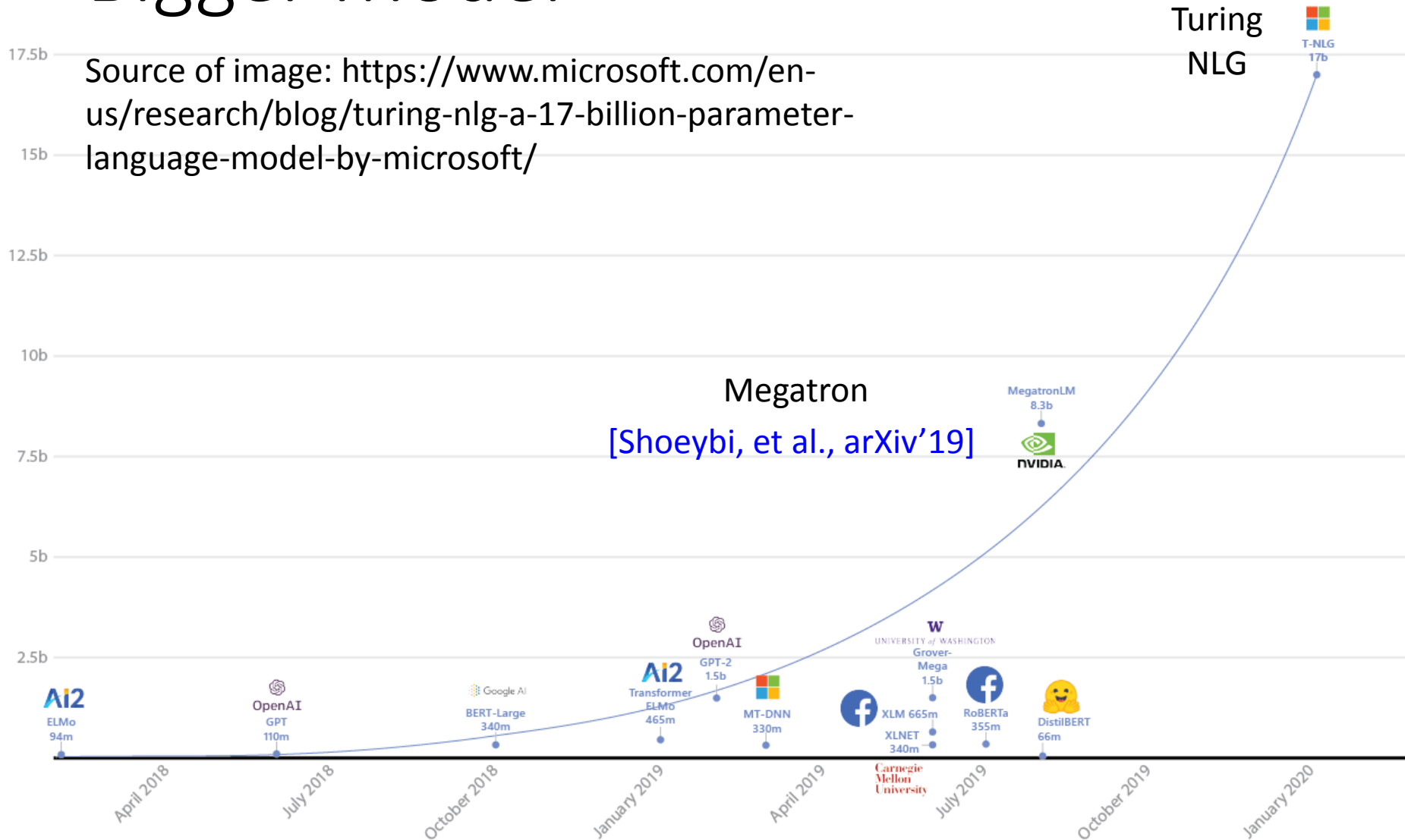




Cosine Similarities of BERT Embeddings



# Bigger Model



# Smaller Model



Distill BERT

[Sanh, et al., NeurIPS workshop'19]

Tiny BERT [Jian, et al., arXiv'19]

Mobile BERT [Sun, et al., ACL'20]

Q8BERT

[Zafir, et al., NeurIPS workshop 2019]

ALBERT [Lan, et al., ICLR'20]

# Smaller Model

- Network Compression

Ref: [https://youtu.be/dPp8rCAnU\\_A](https://youtu.be/dPp8rCAnU_A)

- Network Pruning
- Knowledge Distillation
- Parameter Quantization
- Architecture Design

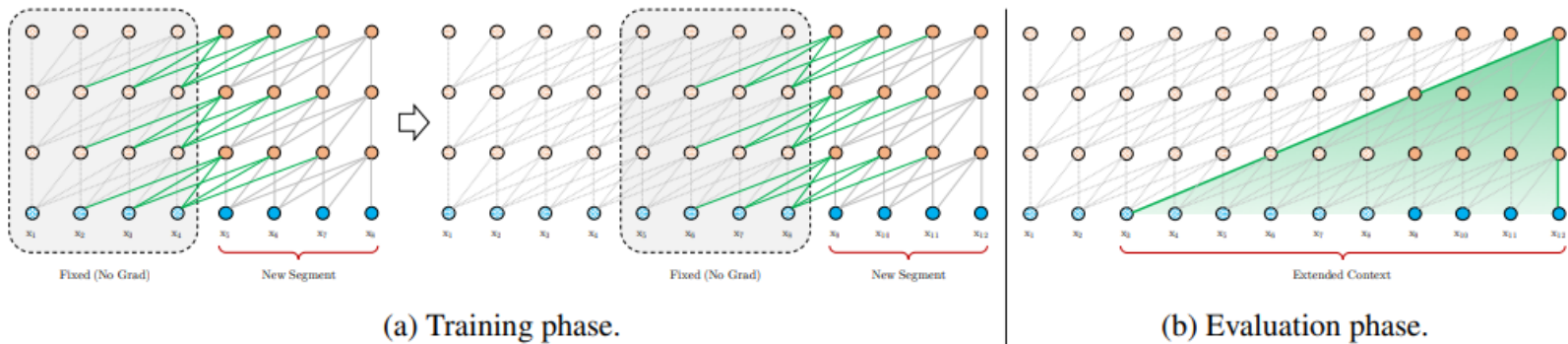
} All of them have  
been tried.

Excellent reference:

<http://mitchgordon.me/machine/learning/2019/11/18/all-the-ways-to-compress-BERT.html>

# Network Architecture

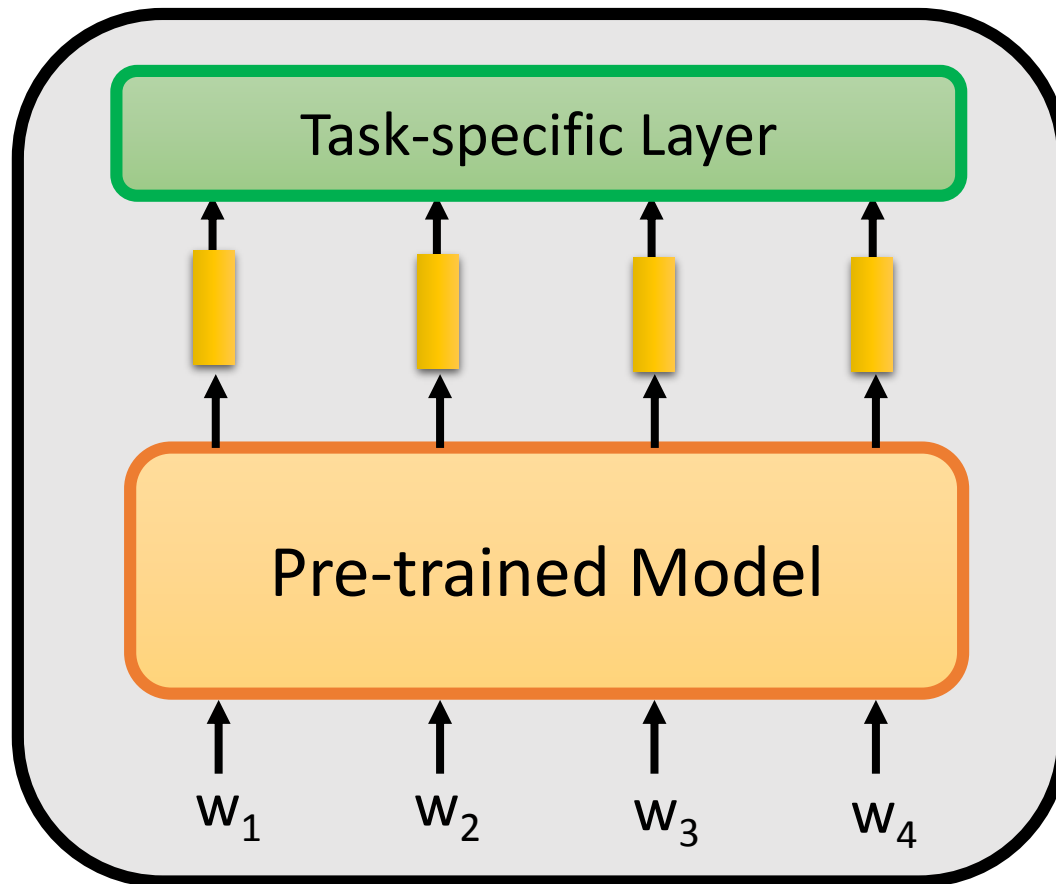
- Transformer-XL: Segment-Level Recurrence with State Reuse [Dai, et al., ACL'19]



- Reformer [Kitaev, et al., ICLR'20]
  - Longformer [Beltagy, et al., arXiv'20]
- } Reduce the complexity of self-attention

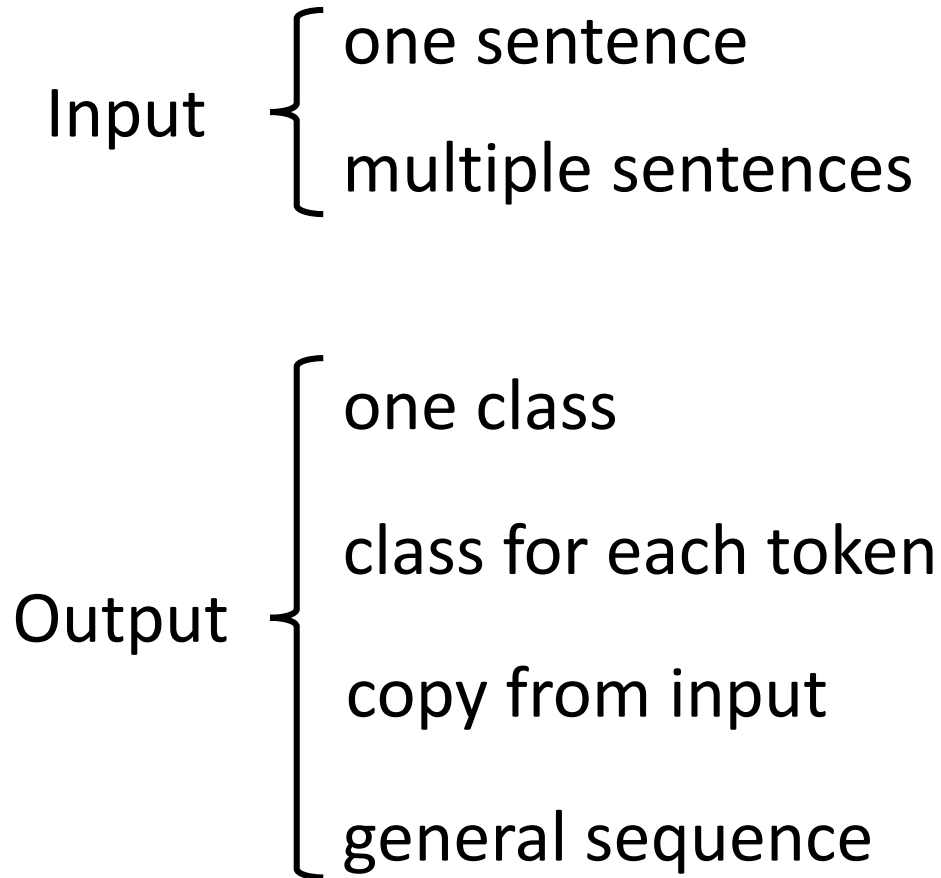


# How to fine-tune



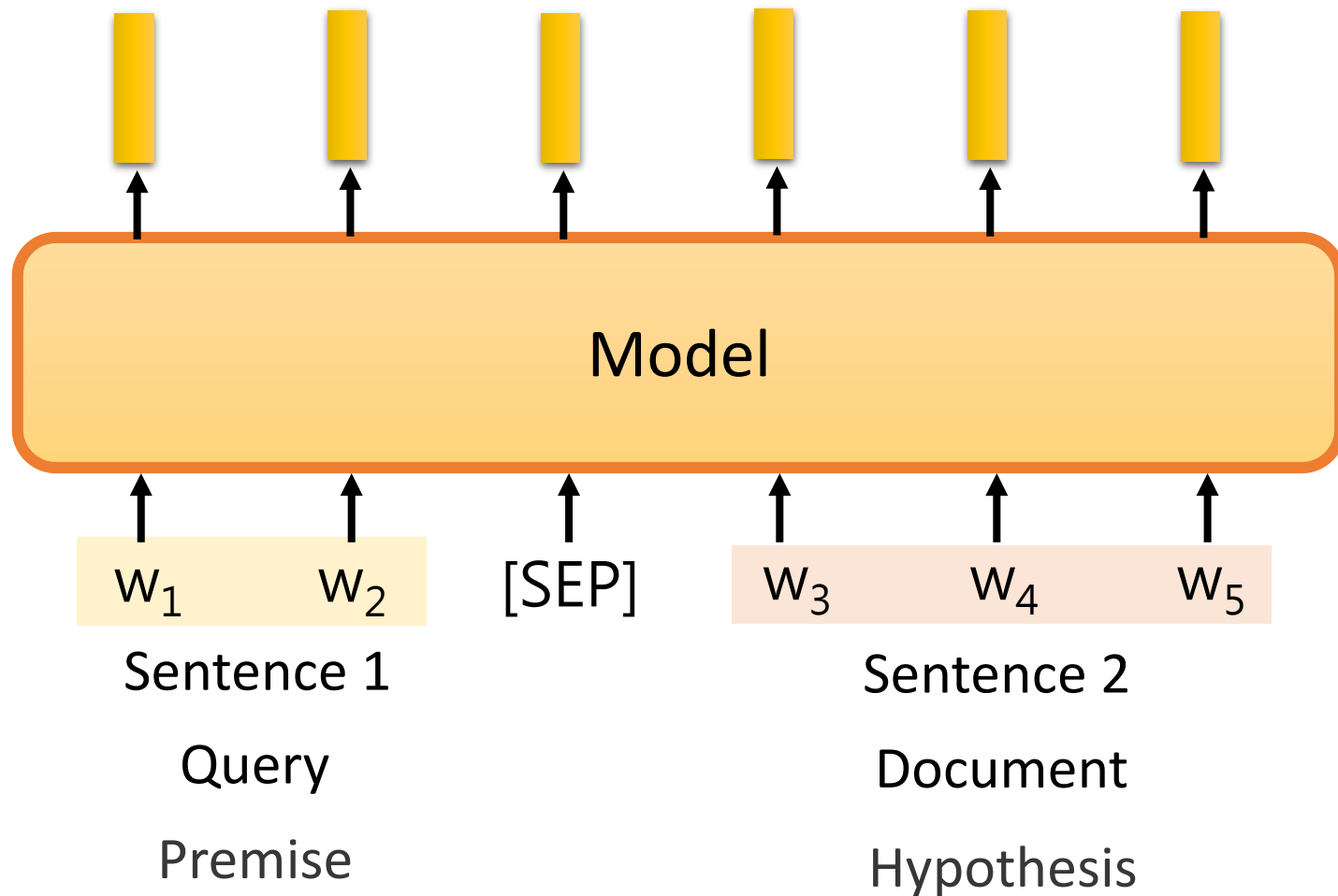
For a specific  
NLP task

# NLP tasks

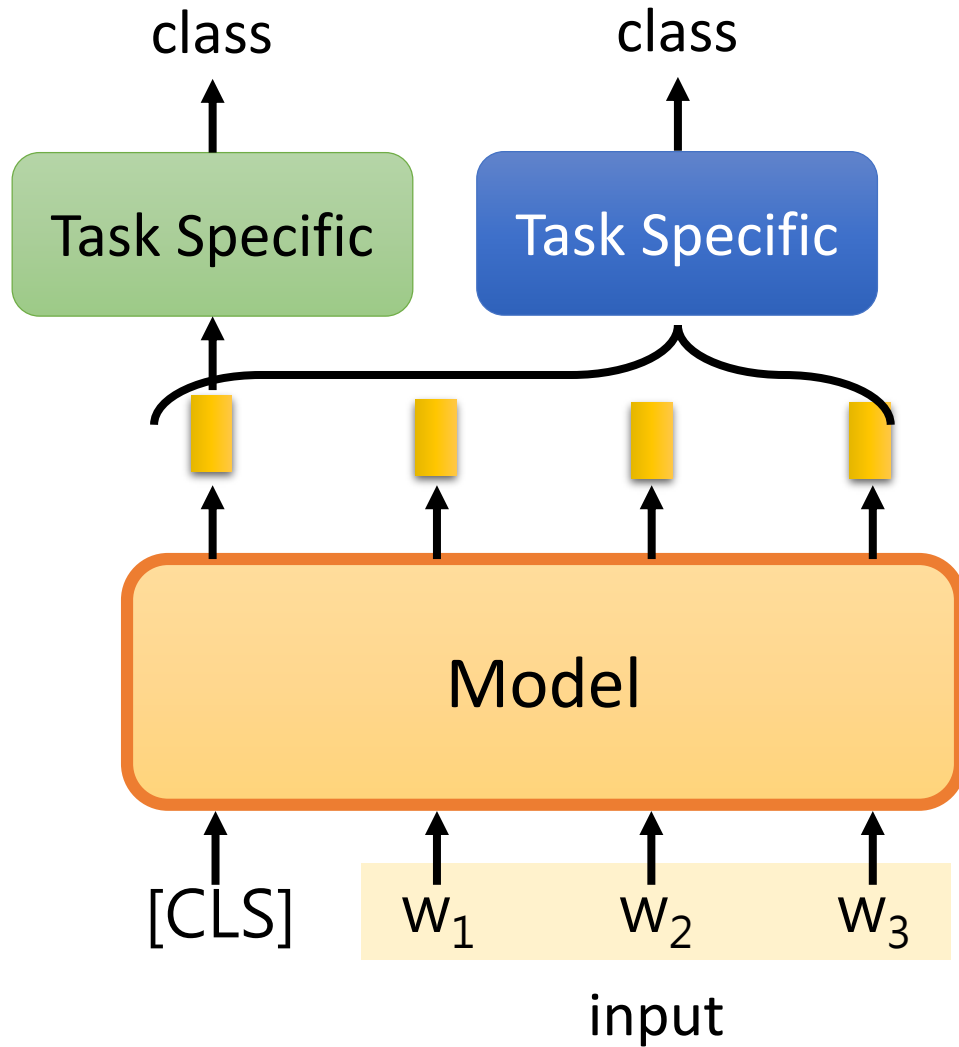


Input

one sentence  
multiple sentences



# Output



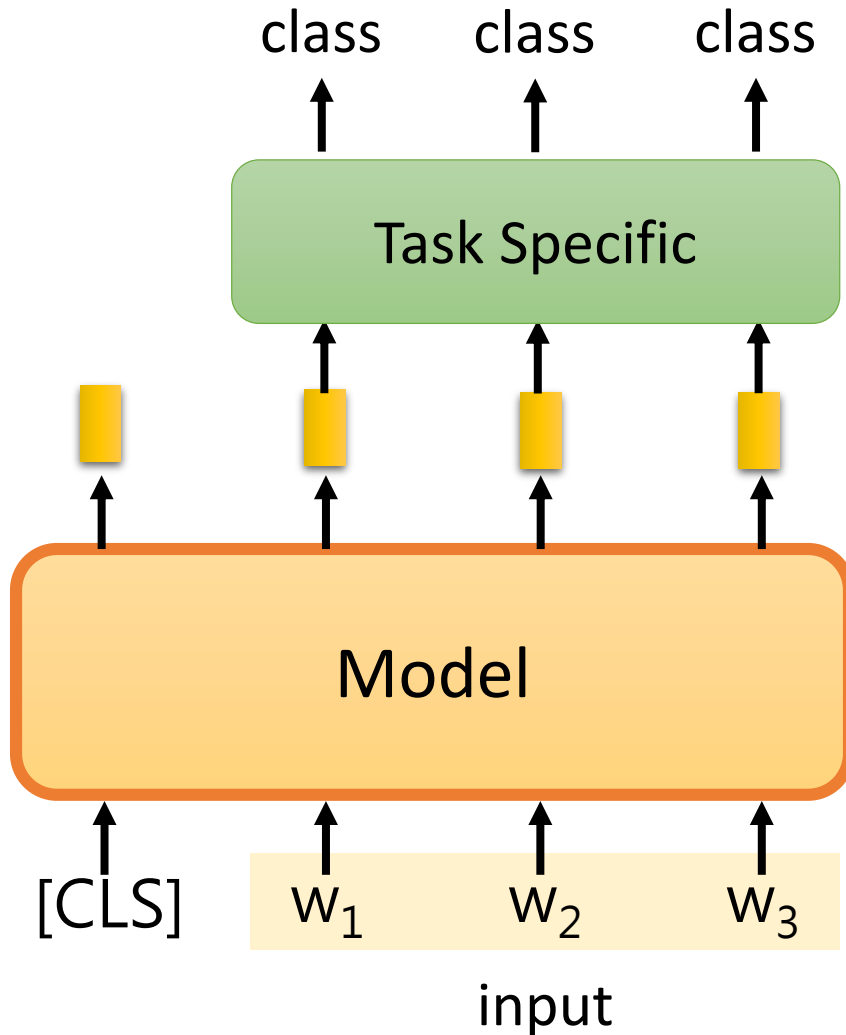
one class

class for each token

copy from input

general sequence

# Output



one class

class for each token

copy from input

general sequence

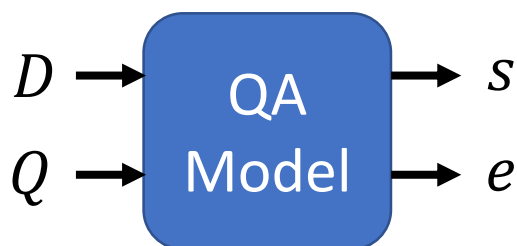


# Output

- Extraction-based QA

Document:  $D = \{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_N\}$

Query:  $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_M\}$



output: two integers ( $s, e$ )

Answer:  $A = \{d_s, \dots, d_e\}$

one class

class for each token

copy from input

general sequence

In meteorology, precipitation is any product of the condensation of atmospheric water vapor that falls under **gravity**. The main forms of precipitation include drizzle, rain, sleet, snow, **grau-pel** and hail... Precipitation occurs as smaller droplets coalesce via **77** ion **79** other rain drops or ice crystals **within a cloud**. Short, intense periods of rain in scattered locations are called "showers".

What causes precipitation to fall?

**gravity**

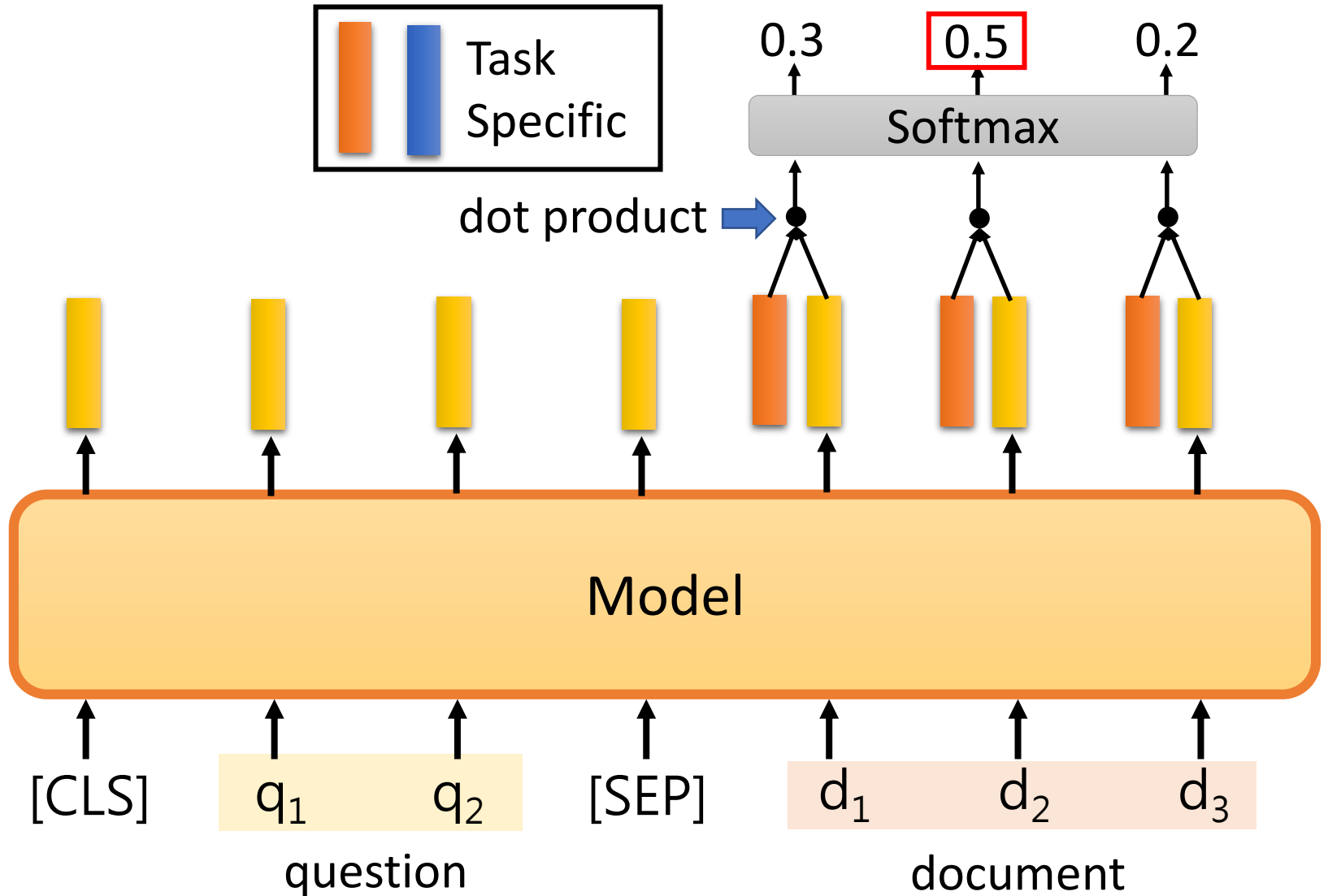
Where do water droplets collide with ice crystals to form precipitation?

**within a cloud**

$s = 77, e = 79$

# Copy from Input (BERT)

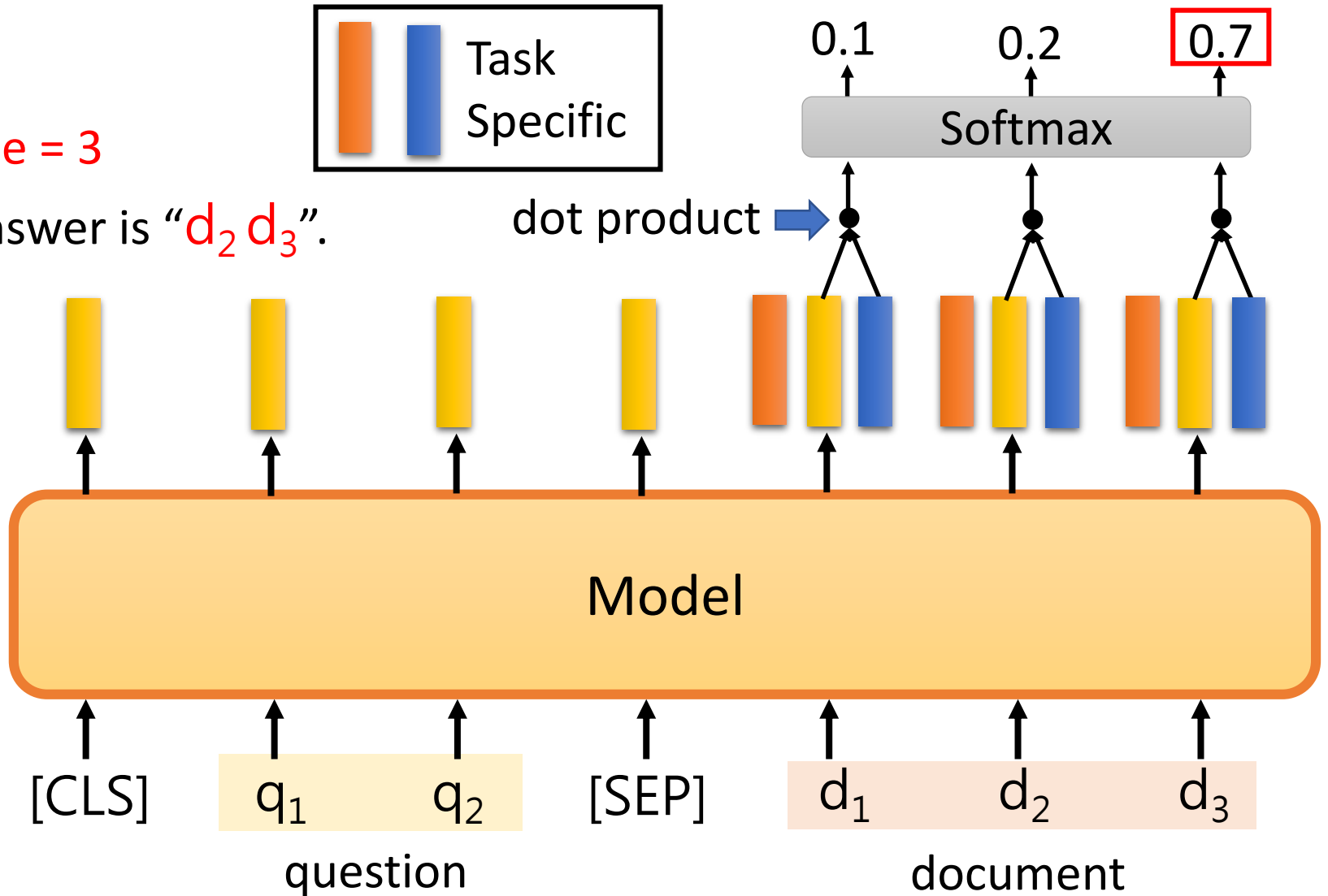
$s = 2$



# Copy from Input (BERT)

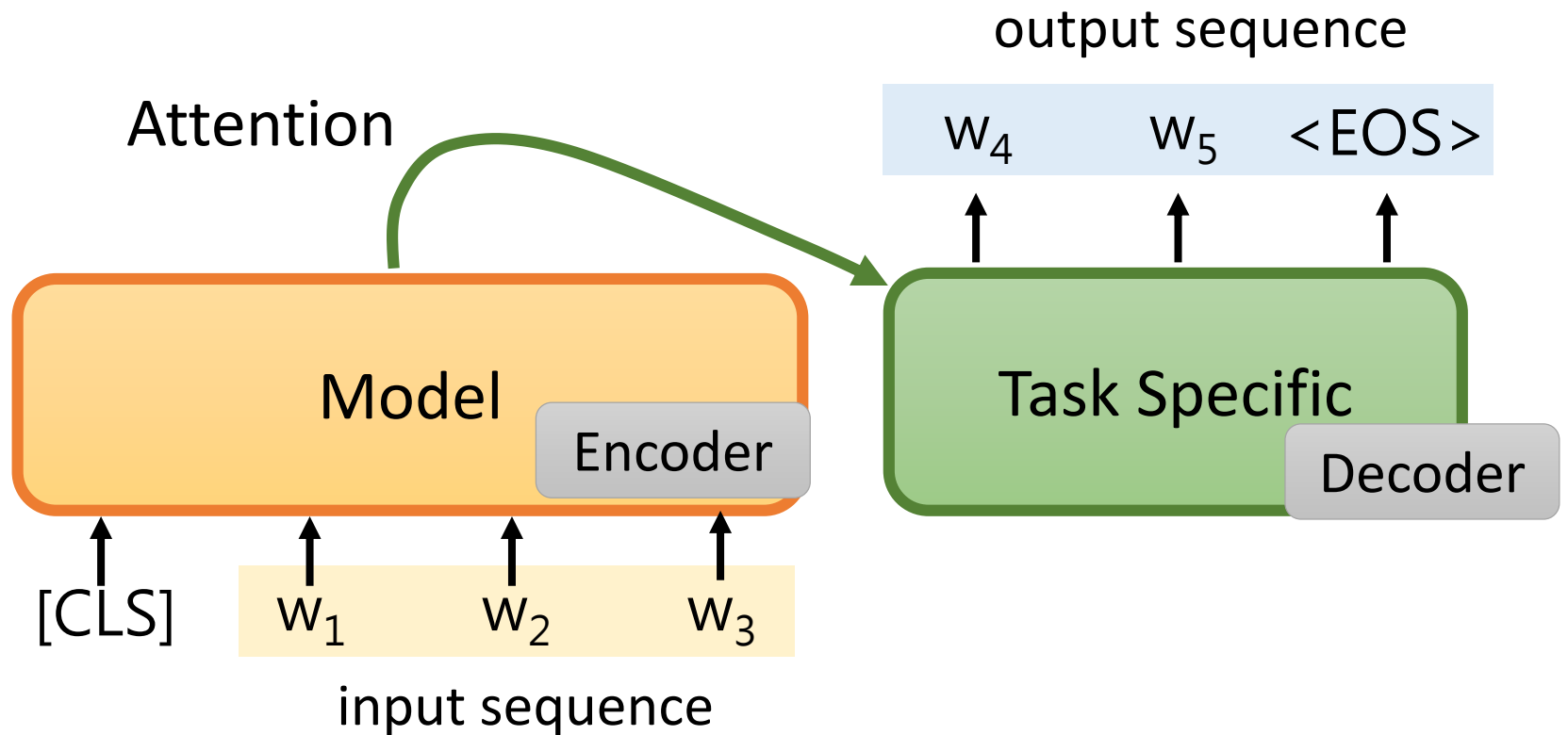
$s = 2$   $e = 3$

The answer is “ $d_2 d_3$ ”.

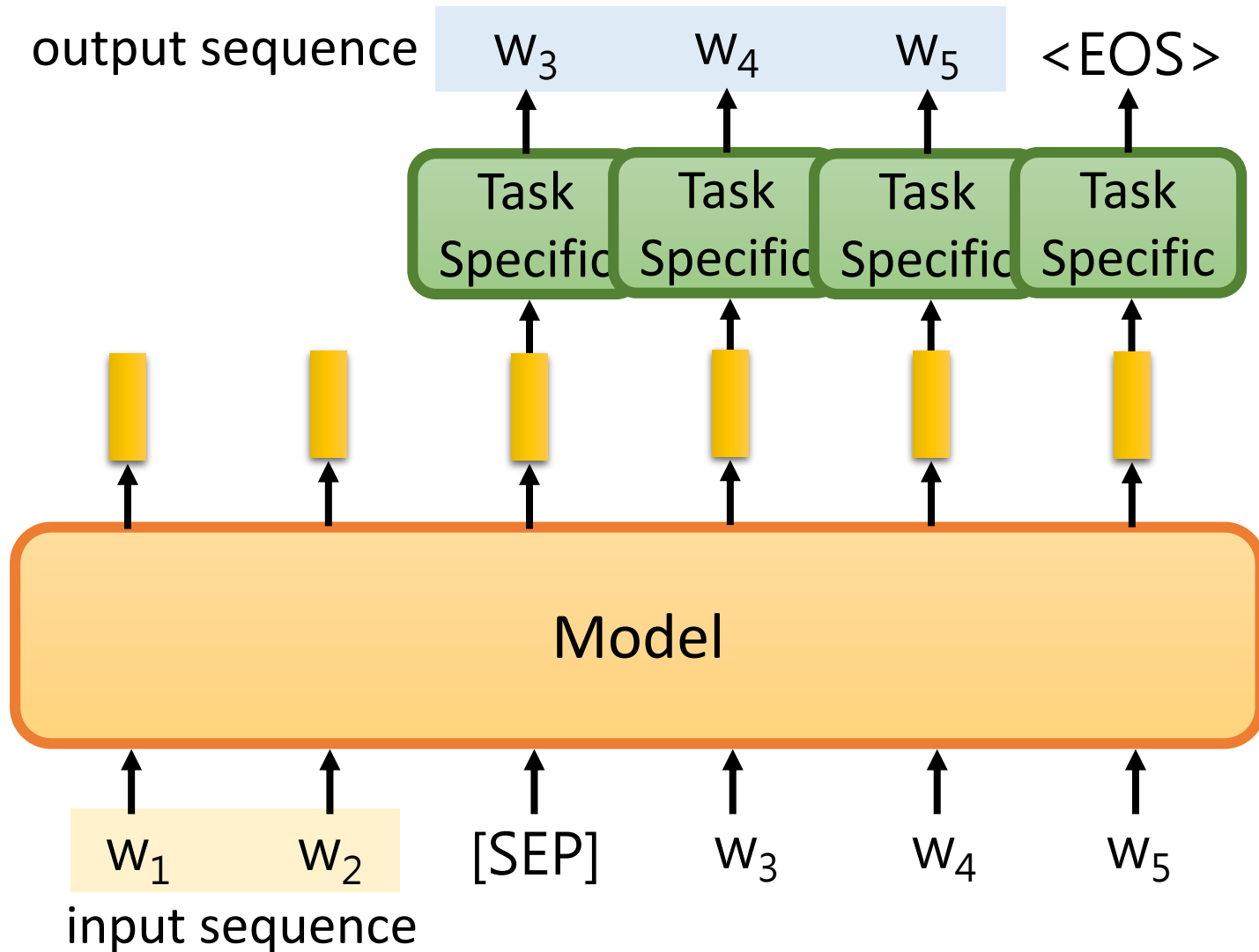


# Output – General Sequence (v1)

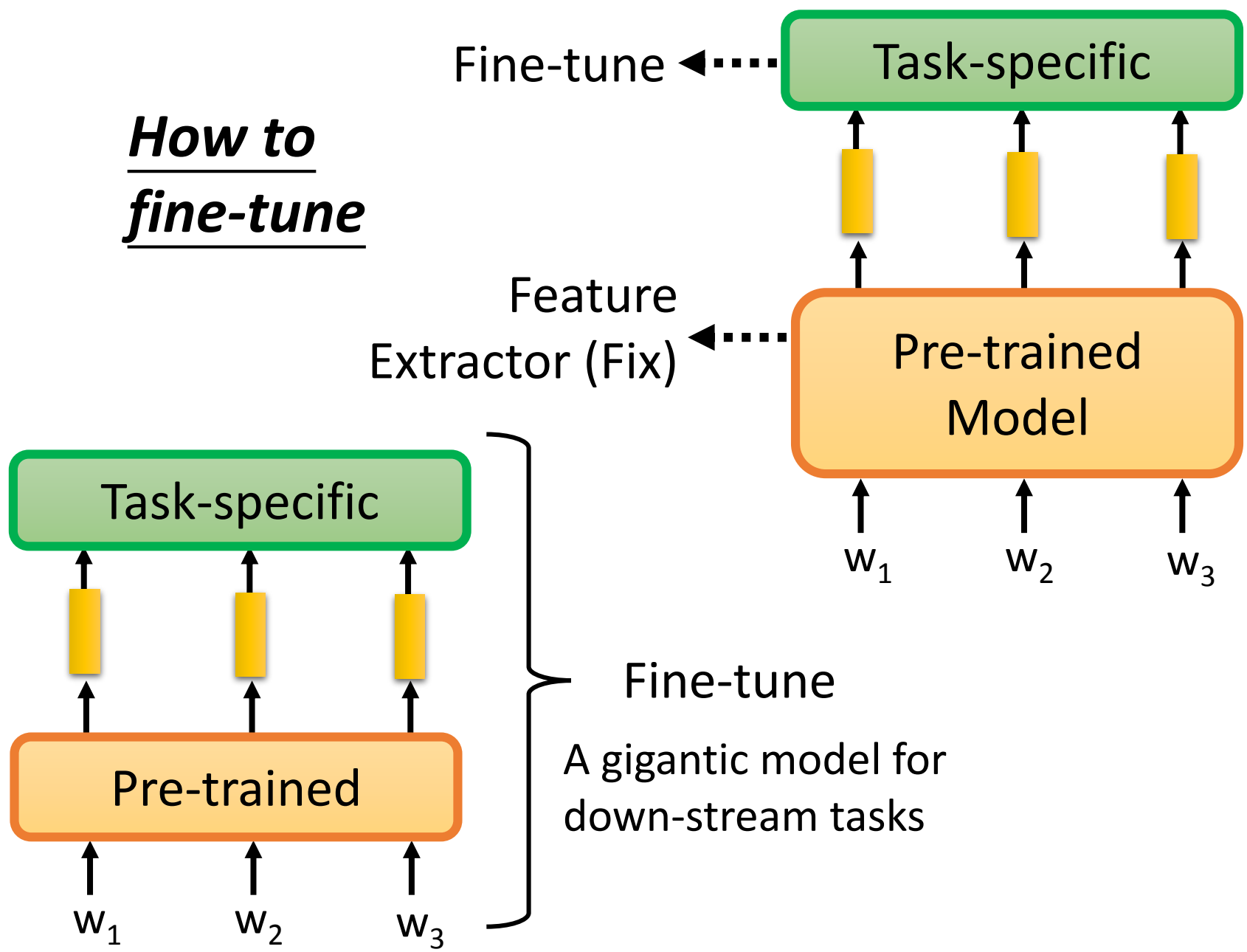
- Seq2seq model



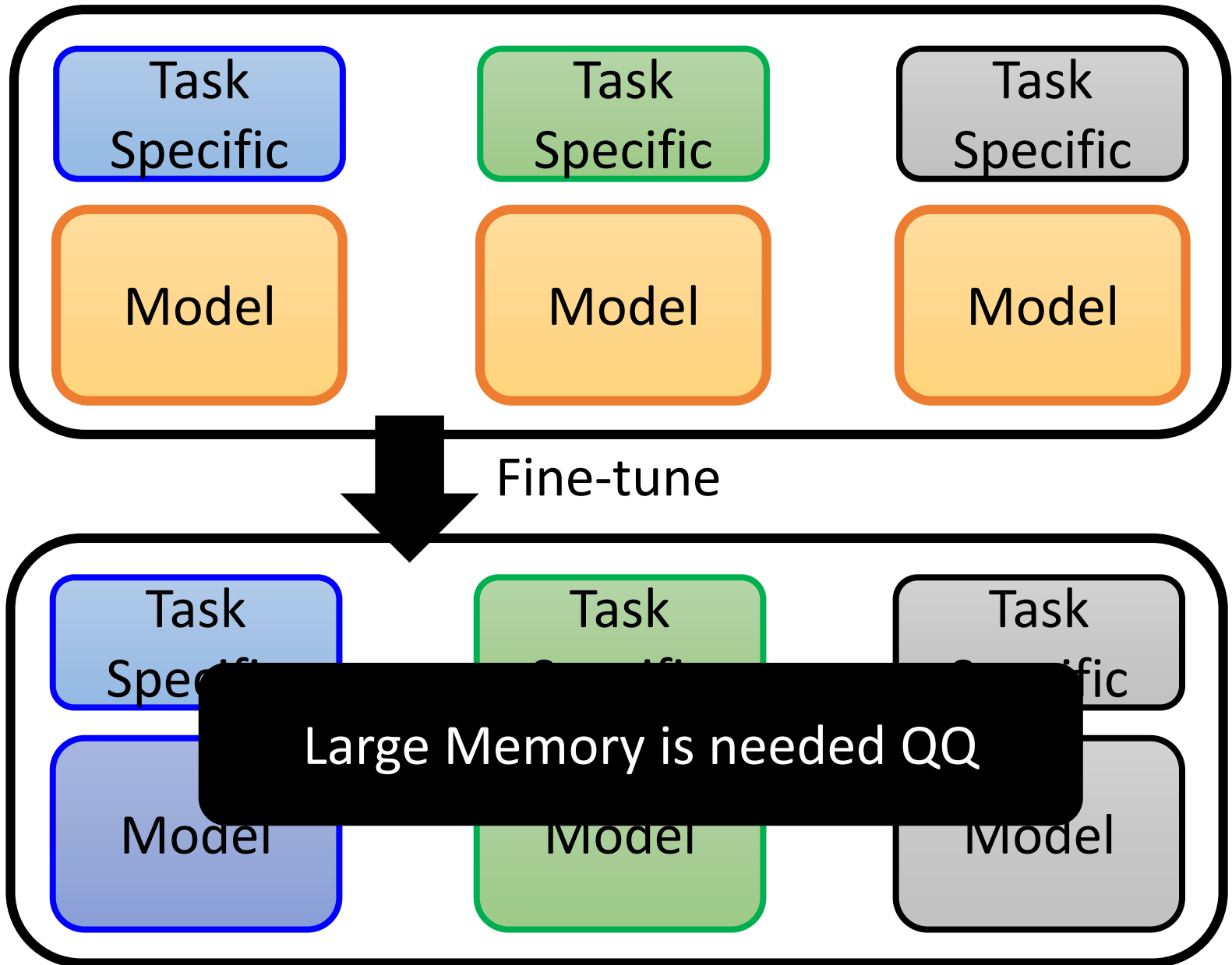
# Output – General Sequence (v2)



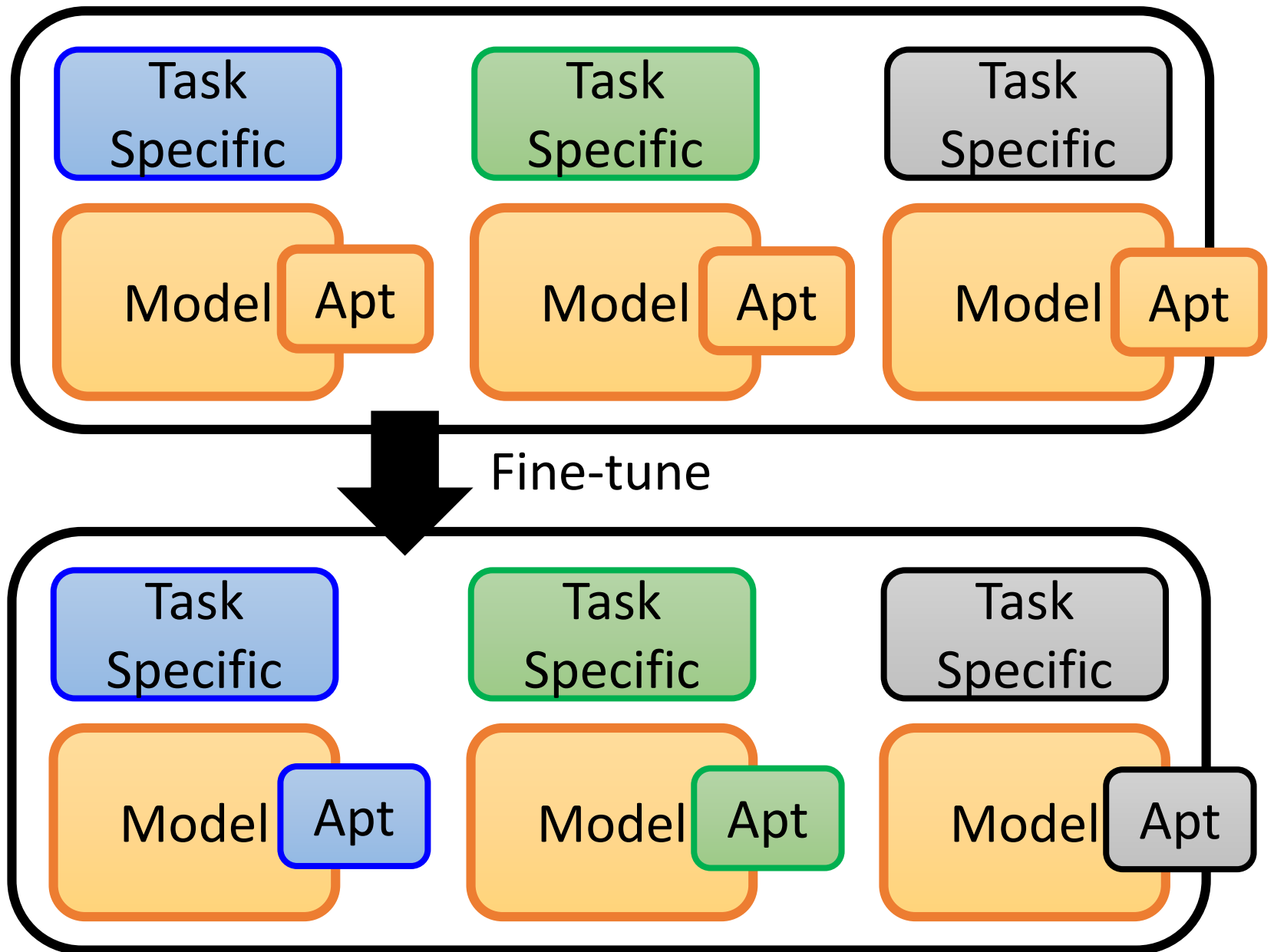
*How to*  
*fine-tune*



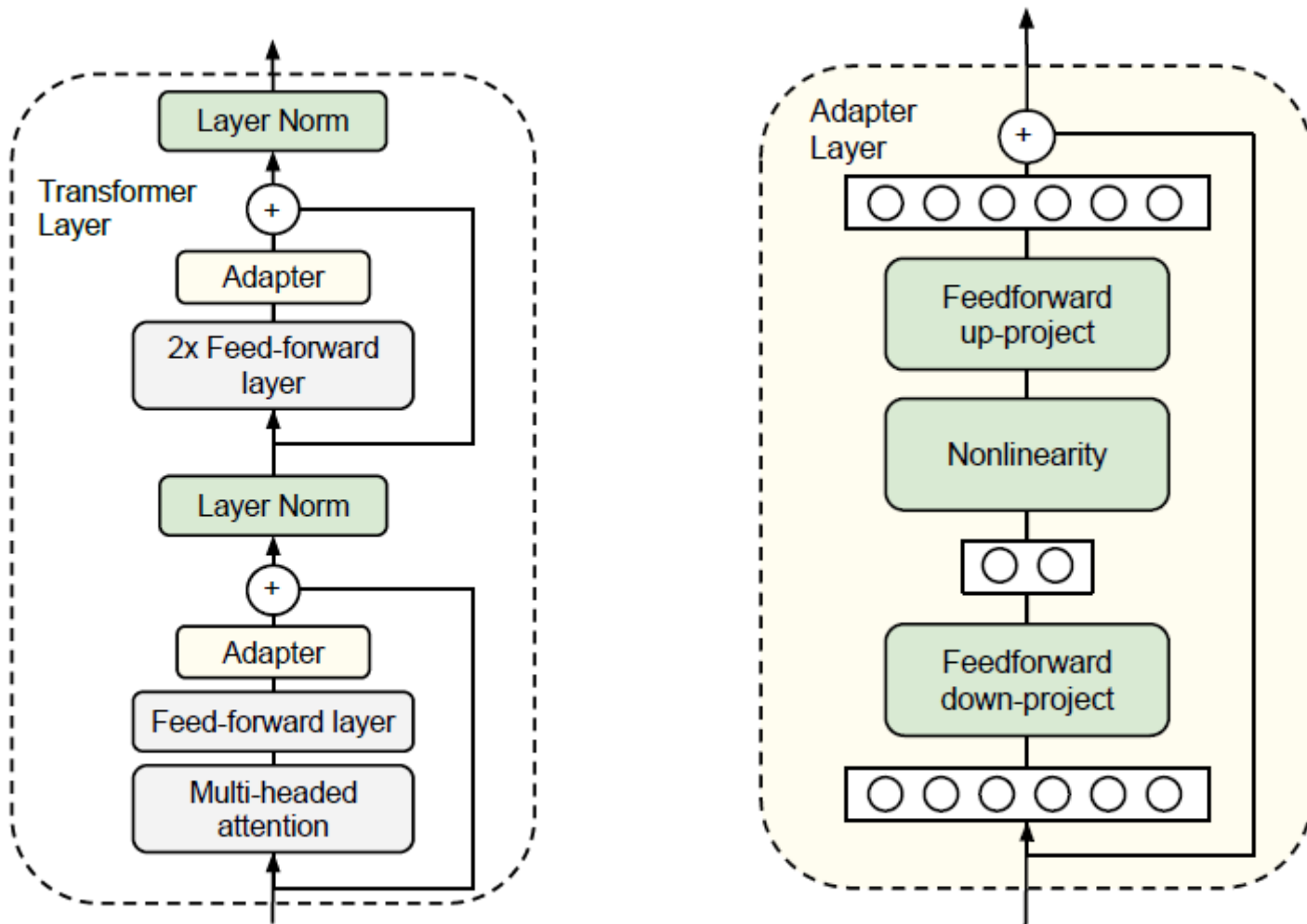
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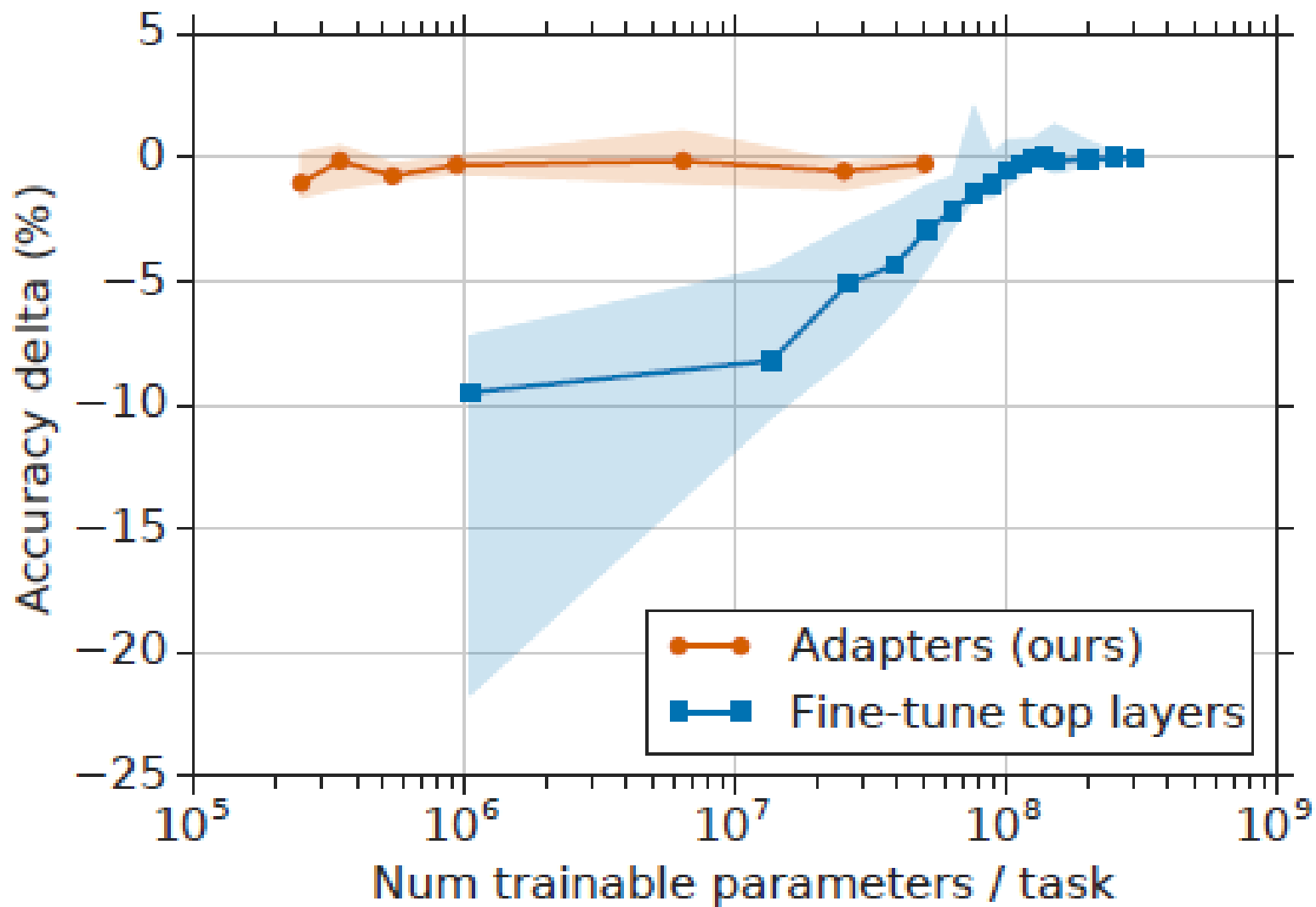






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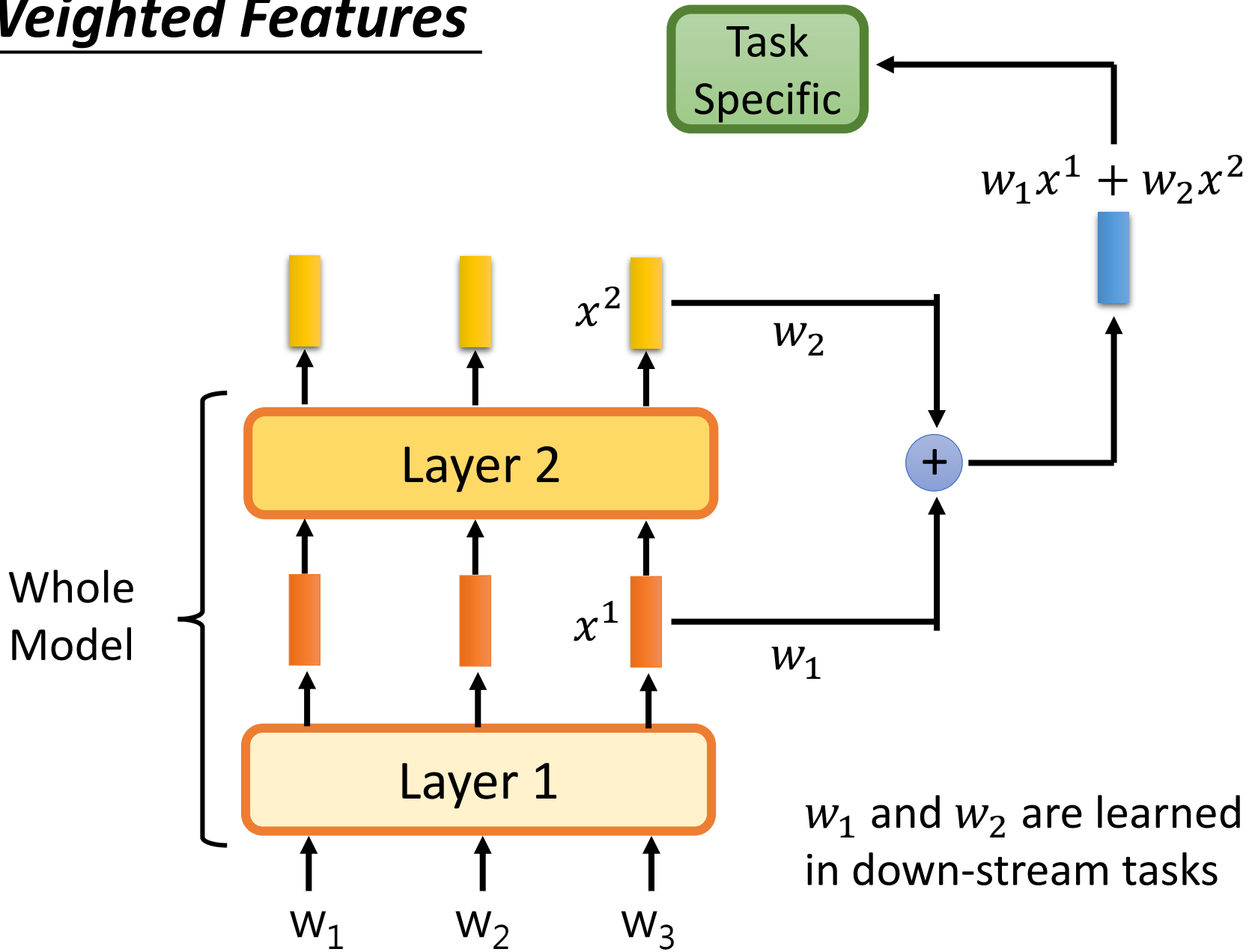
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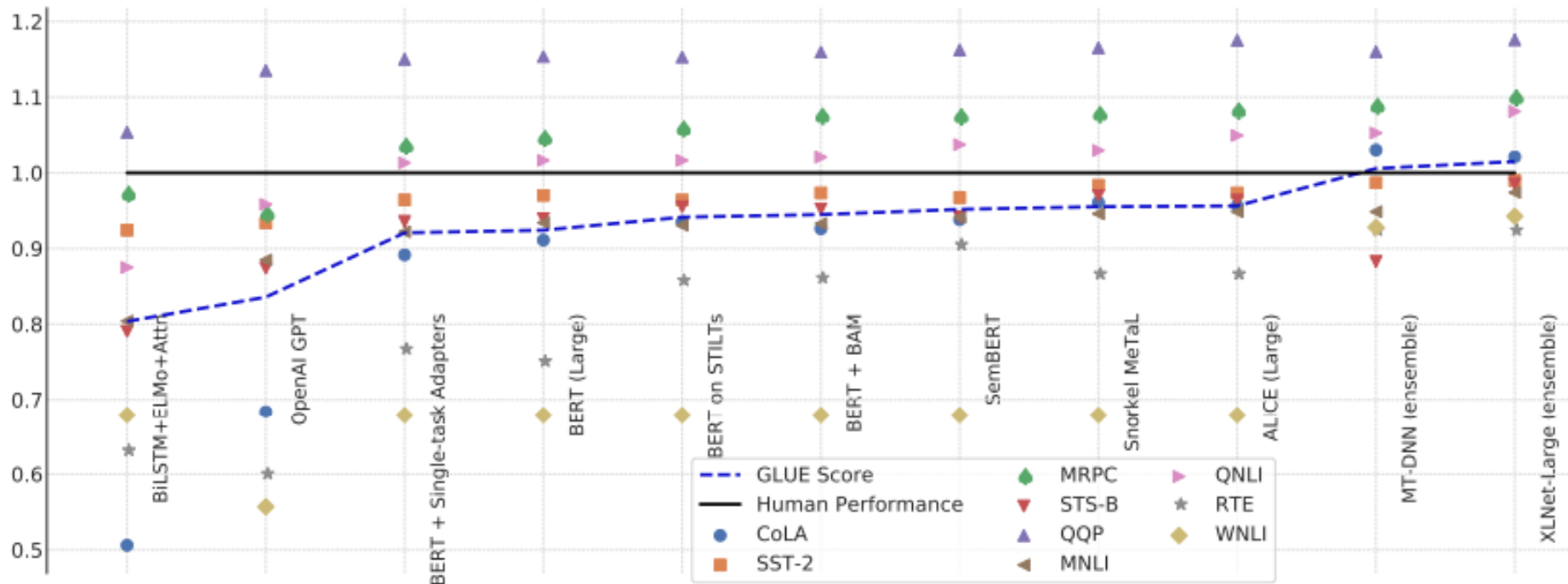
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# Weighted Features



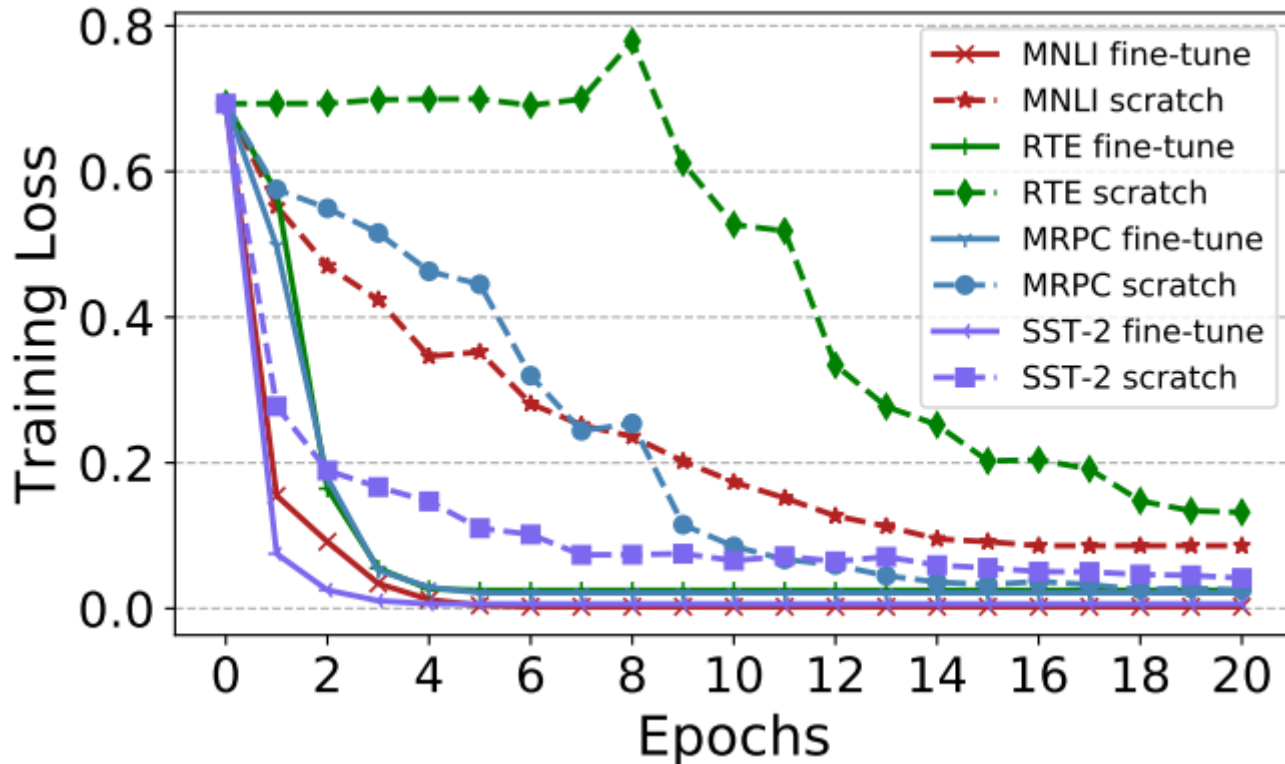
# Why Pre-train Models?

- GLUE scores



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# Why Fine-tune?



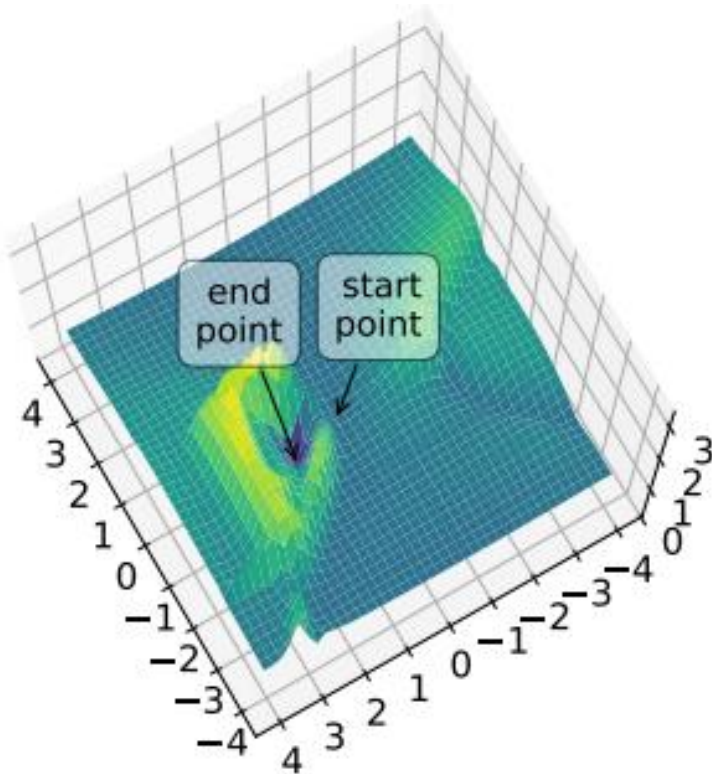
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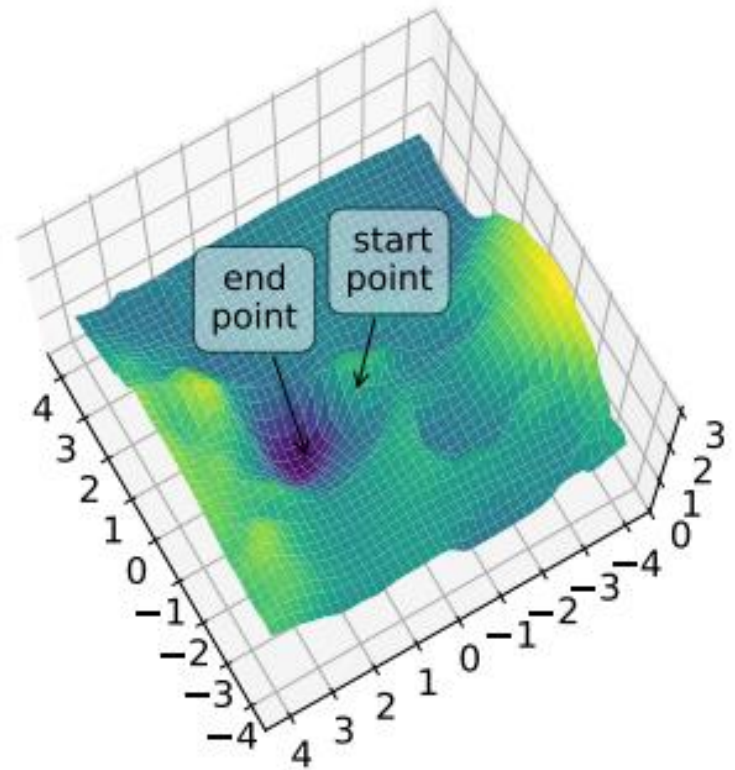
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Training from scratch

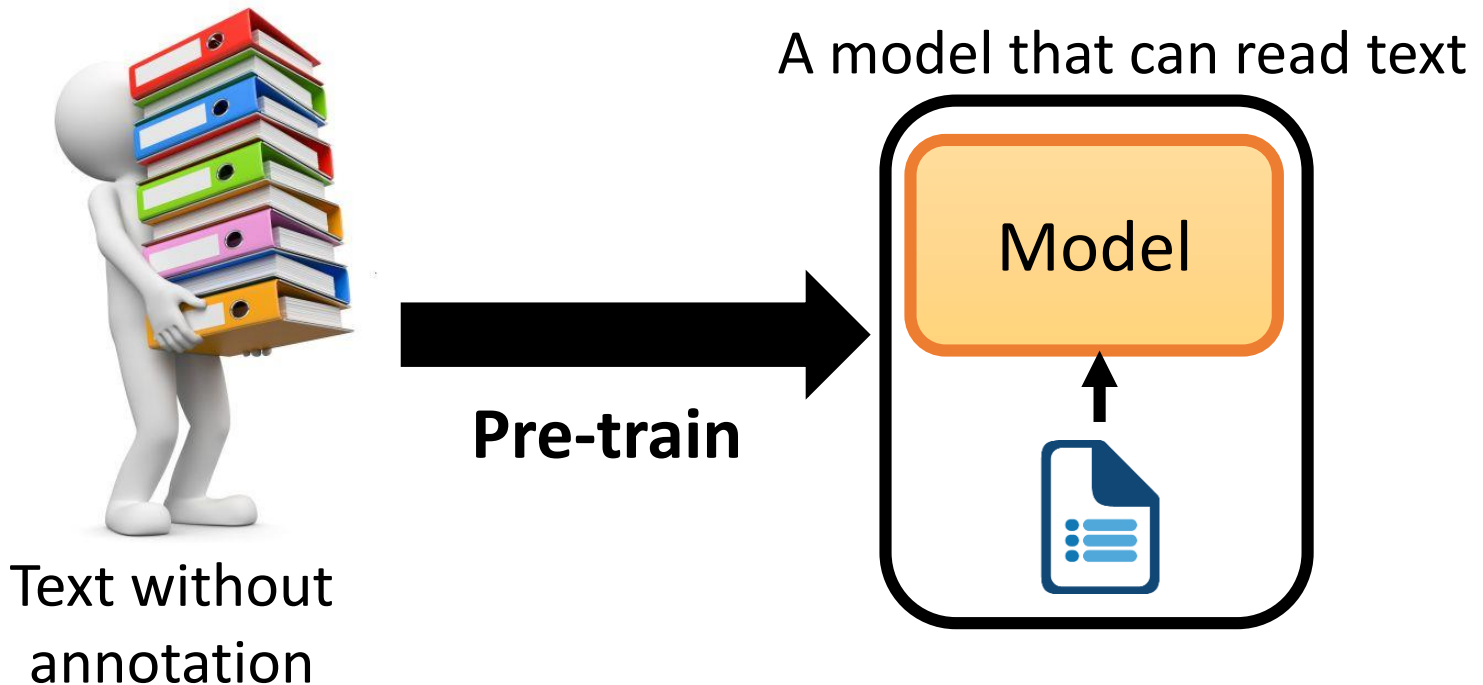


Fine-tuning BERT



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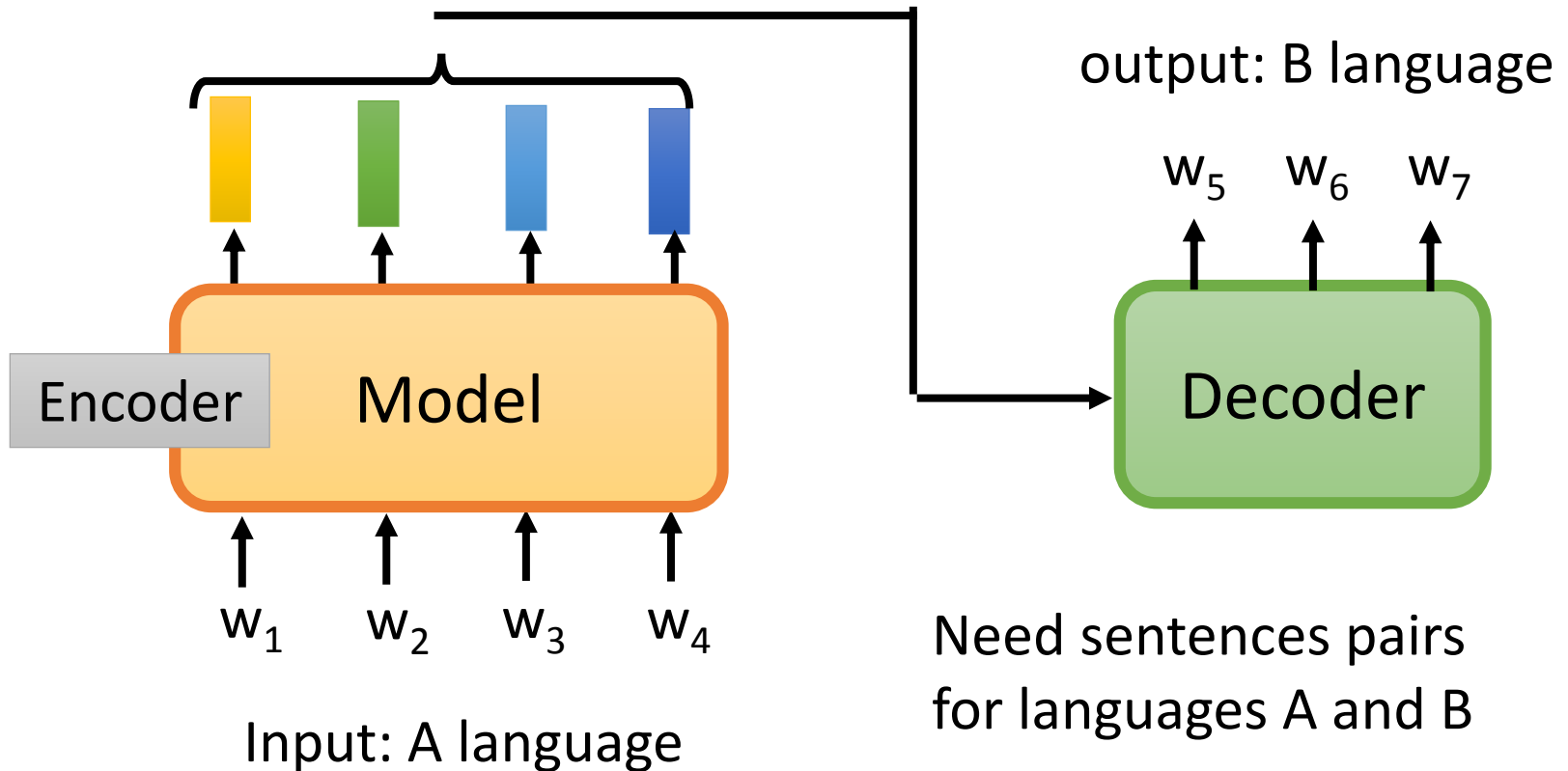
# How to Pre-train



# Pre-training by Translation

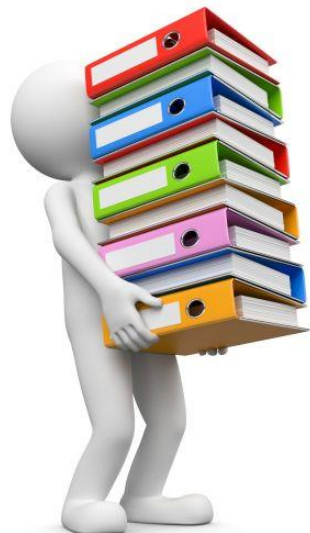


- Context Vector (CoVe)

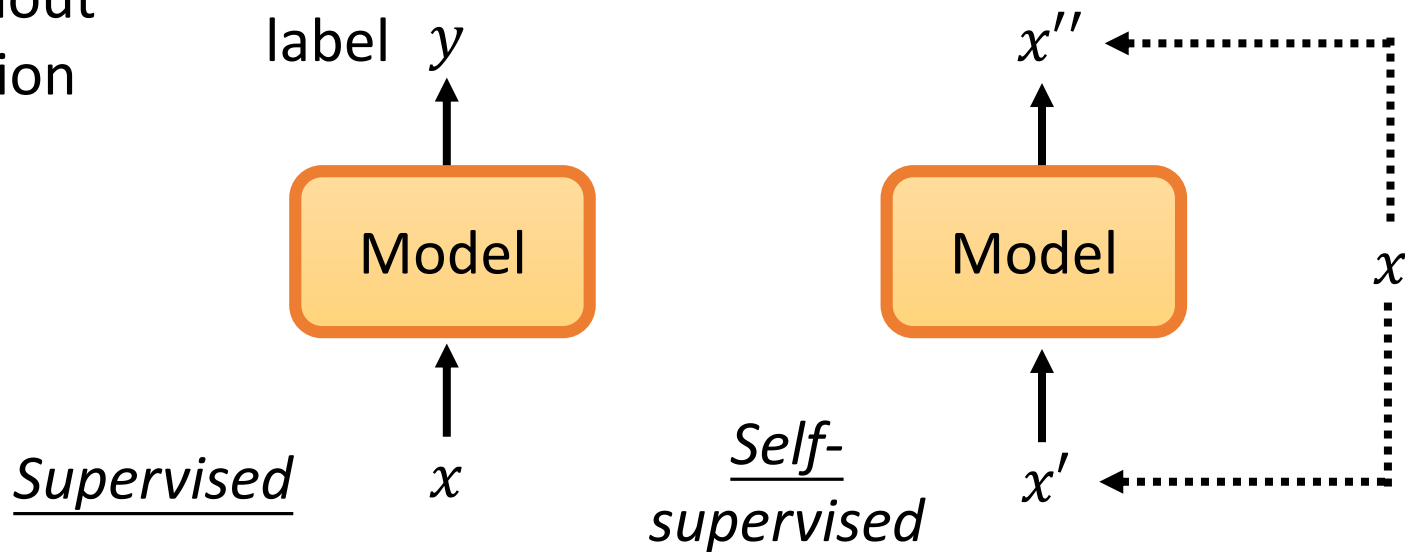
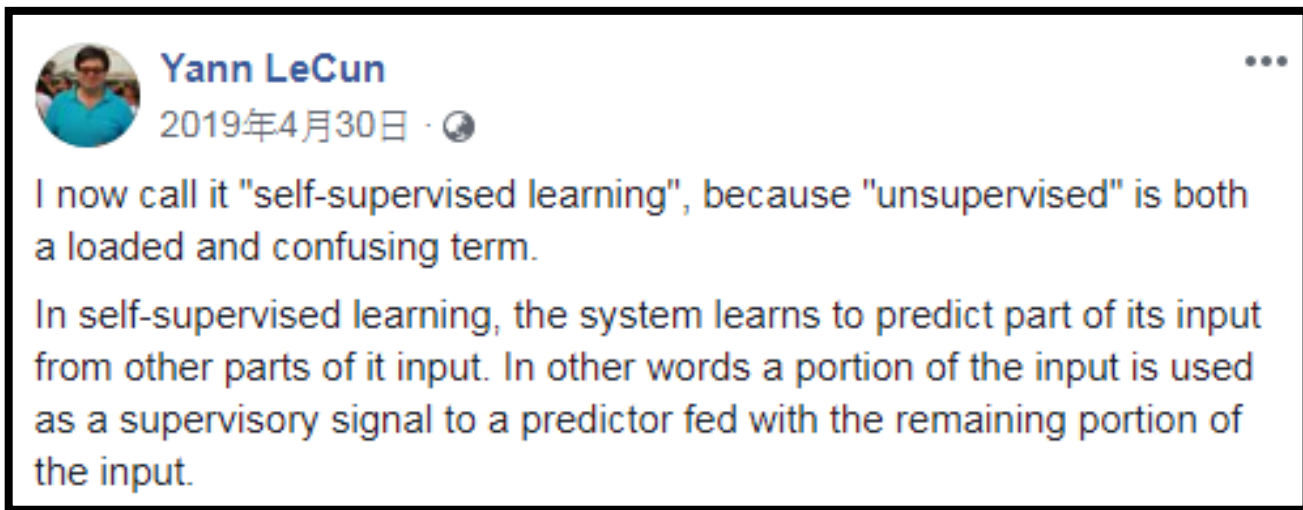




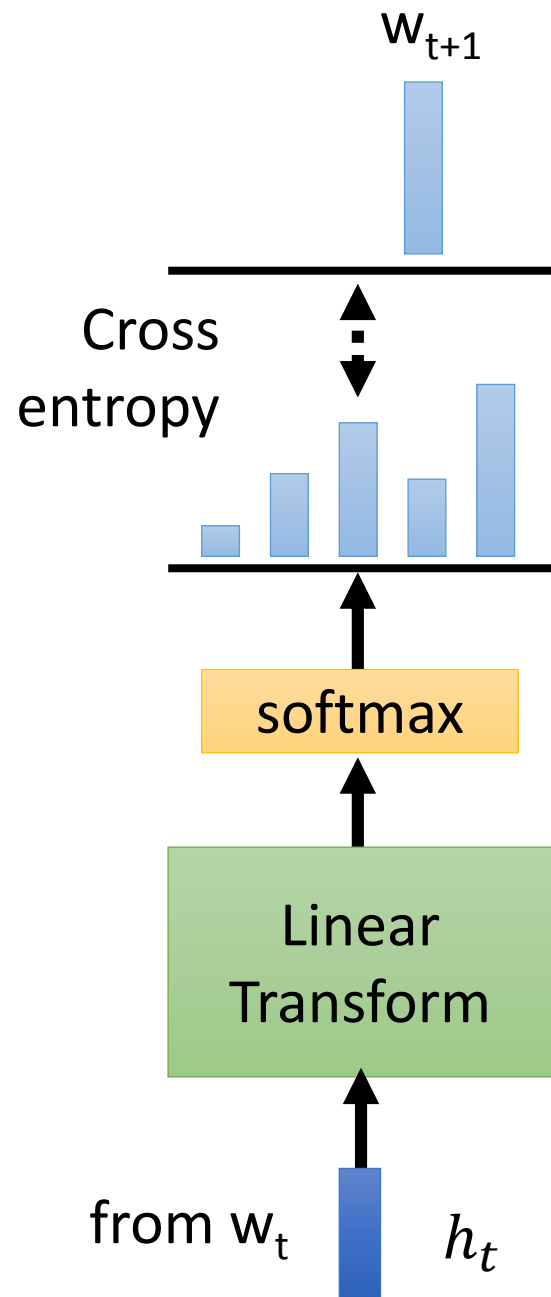
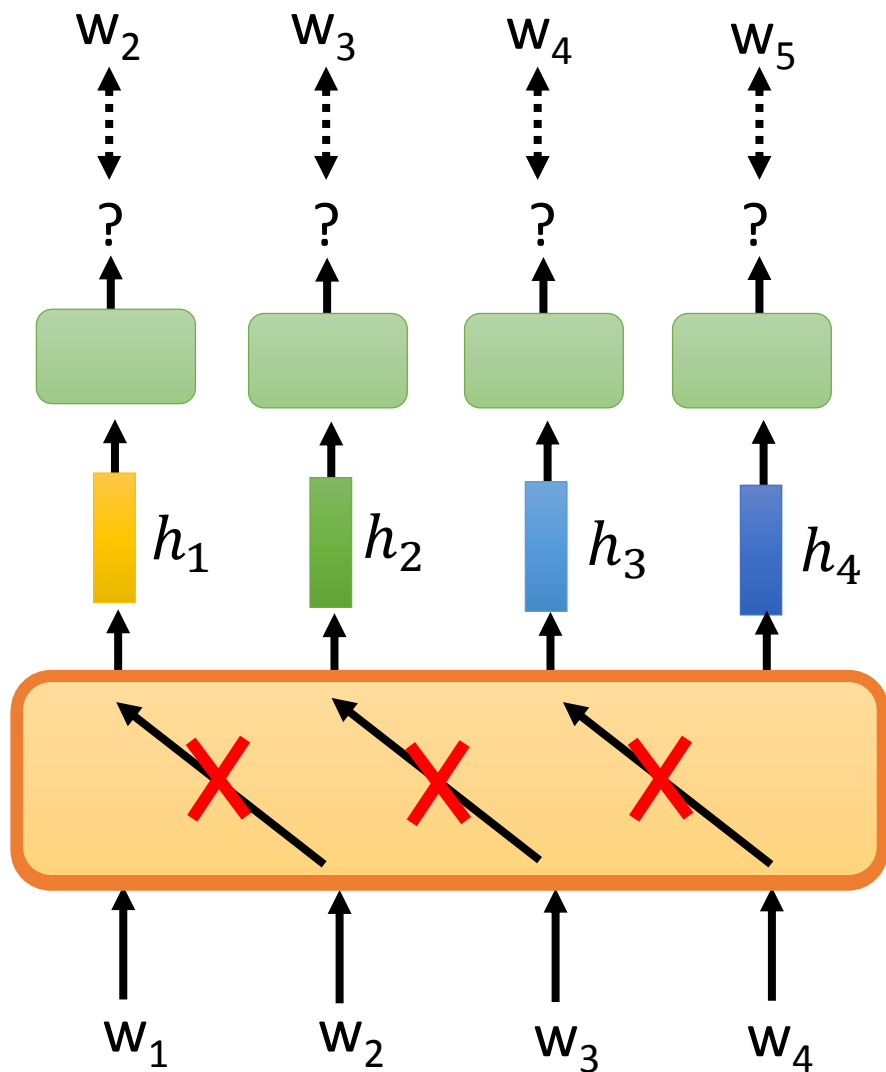
# Self-supervised Learning



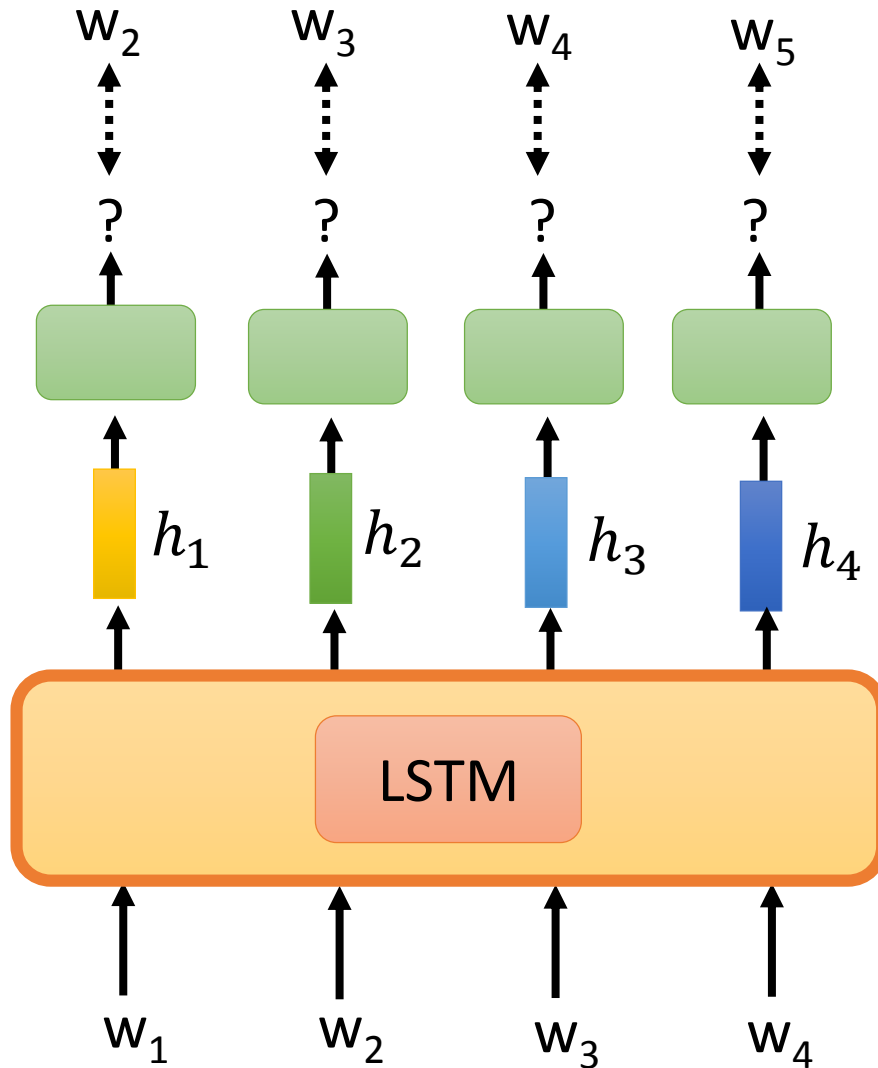
Text without  
annotation



# Predict Next Token



# Predict Next Token



This is exactly how we train language models (LM).

Universal Language Model  
Fine-tuning (ULMFiT)

[Howard, et al., ACL'18]

ELMo

[Peters, et al.,  
NAACL'18]



# Predict Next Token

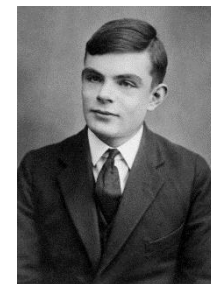


GPT  
[Alec, et al., 2018]

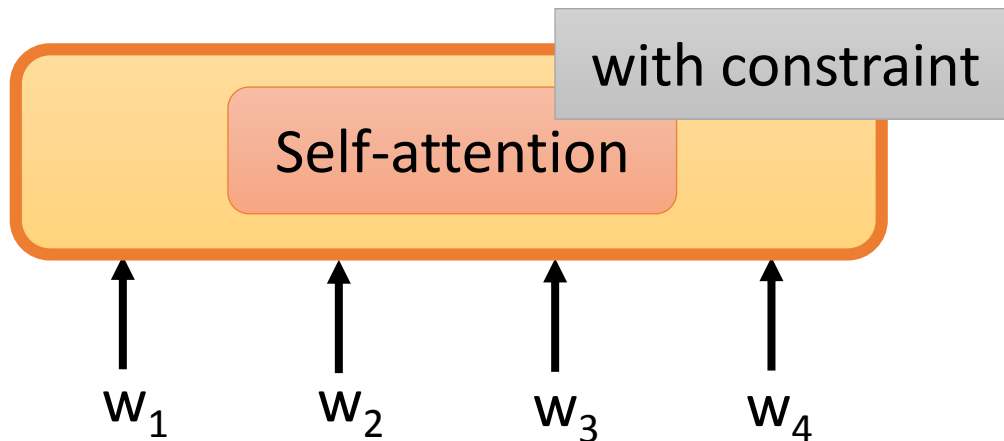
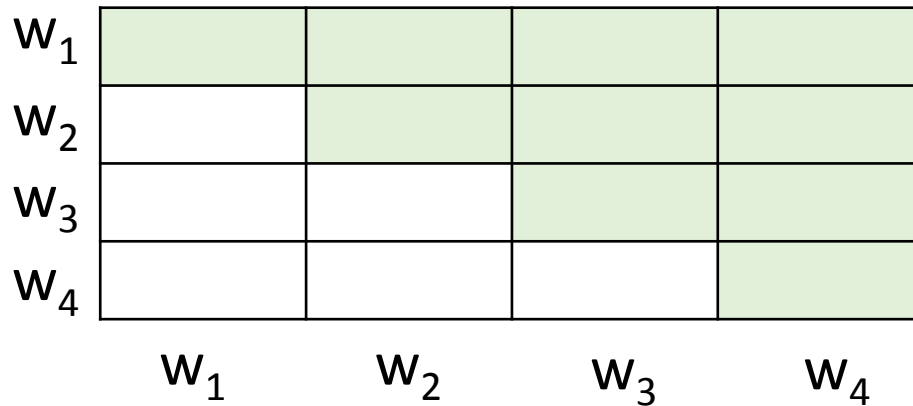
GPT-2  
[Alec, et al., 2019]



Megatron  
[Shoeybi, et al., arXiv'19]



Turing  
NLG



# Predict Next Token

They can do generation.



USER PROMPT  
(HUMAN-WRITTEN)

*In a shocking finding, scientist discovered a herd of unicorns living in a remote, previously unexplored valley, in the Andes Mountains. Even more surprising to the researchers was the fact that the unicorns spoke perfect English.*

MODEL COMPLETION  
(MACHINE-GENERATED)  
10 TRIES

The scientist named the population, after their distinctive horn, Ovid's Unicorn. These four-horned, silver-white unicorns were previously unknown to science.

Now, after almost two centuries, the mystery of what sparked this odd phenomenon is finally solved.

Dr. Jorge Pérez, an evolutionary biologist from the University of La Paz, and several companions, were exploring the Andes Mountains when they found a small valley, with no other animals or humans. Pérez noticed that the valley had what appeared to be a natural fountain, surrounded by two peaks of rock and silver snow.

# Predict Next Token

They can do generation.

 Keaton Patti  @KeatonPatti · 2019年8月13日 ▼

I forced a bot to watch over 1,000 hours of Batman movies and then asked it to write a Batman movie of its own. Here is the first page.

**BATMAN**  
INT. TRADITIONAL BATCAVE

BATMAN stands next to his batmobile.  
He's sometimes Bruce Wayne sometime

**BATMAN**  
This is now a safe city.  
punched a penguin into p!

**ALFRED**, Batman's loyal batler, carr

**ALFRED**  
Eat a dinner, Mattress W

An explosion explodes. **THE JOKER** ar  
Joker is a clown but insane. Two-Fa

**BATMAN**  
No! It is Two-Face and O!  
They hate me for being a

Batman throws Alfred at Two-Face. I  
a coin. Alfred lands heads up which

**BATMAN (CONT'D)**  
It is just you and I, the  
Bat versus clown. Moral :

**THE JOKER**  
I am such a freak. Society i  
You drink water, I drink ana

**BATMAN**  
I drink bats just like a bat

Batman looks around for his parents, b  
This makes him have anger. He fires a  
deflects it with his sick sense of hum

**THE JOKER**  
I have never followed a rule  
is my rule. Do you follow? I

**BATMAN**  
Alfred, give birth to Robin.

Alfred begins the process since it is  
has a present in his hand. He juggles

**THE JOKER**  
Happy batday, Birthman.

Batman opens the present since he's a  
coupon for new parents, but is expired

 4,165     5.4萬     14.3萬    

**BATMAN**

INT. TRADITIONAL BATCAVE

BATMAN stands next to his batmobile and uses his batcomputer. He's sometimes Bruce Wayne sometimes Batman. Alltimes orphan.

BATMAN

This is now a safe city. I have punched a penguin into prison.

ALFRED, Batman's loyal batler, carries a tray of goth ham.

ALFRED

Eat a dinner, Mattress Wayne.

An explosion explodes. THE JOKER and TWO-FACE enter the cave. Joker is a clown but insane. Two-Face is a man but attorney.

律師

BATMAN

No! It is Two-Face and One-Face. They hate me for being a bat.

Batman throws Alfred at Two-Face. Two-Face flips Alfred like a coin. Alfred lands heads up which means Two-Face goes home.

BATMAN (CONT'D)

It is just you and I, the Joker. Bat versus clown. Moral enemies.



THE JOKER

I am such a freak. Society is bad.  
You drink water, I drink anarchy.

混亂

BATMAN

I drink bats just like a bat would!

Batman looks around for his parents, but they are still dead. This makes him have anger. He fires a batrocket. The Joker deflects it with his sick sense of humor. A clownly power.

THE JOKER

I have never followed a rule. That  
is my rule. Do you follow? I don't.

BATMAN

Alfred, give birth to Robin.

Alfred begins the process since it is his job. The Joker now has a present in his hand. He juggles it over to Batman.

THE JOKER

Happy batday, Birthman.

Batman opens the present since he's a good guy. It contains a coupon for new parents, but is expired. This is a Joker joke.



I forced a bot to watch over 1,000 hours of XXX  
是一個梗!

人在模仿機器模仿人!!!



**Keaton Patti** ✓

@KeatonPatti

I forced a bot to watch over 1,000 hours  
of Olive Garden commercials and then

ask  
com  
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**Keaton Patti** ✓

@KeatonPatti

I forced a bot to watch over 1,000  
episodes of Jerry Springer and then

asked  
Here



**Keaton Patti** ✓

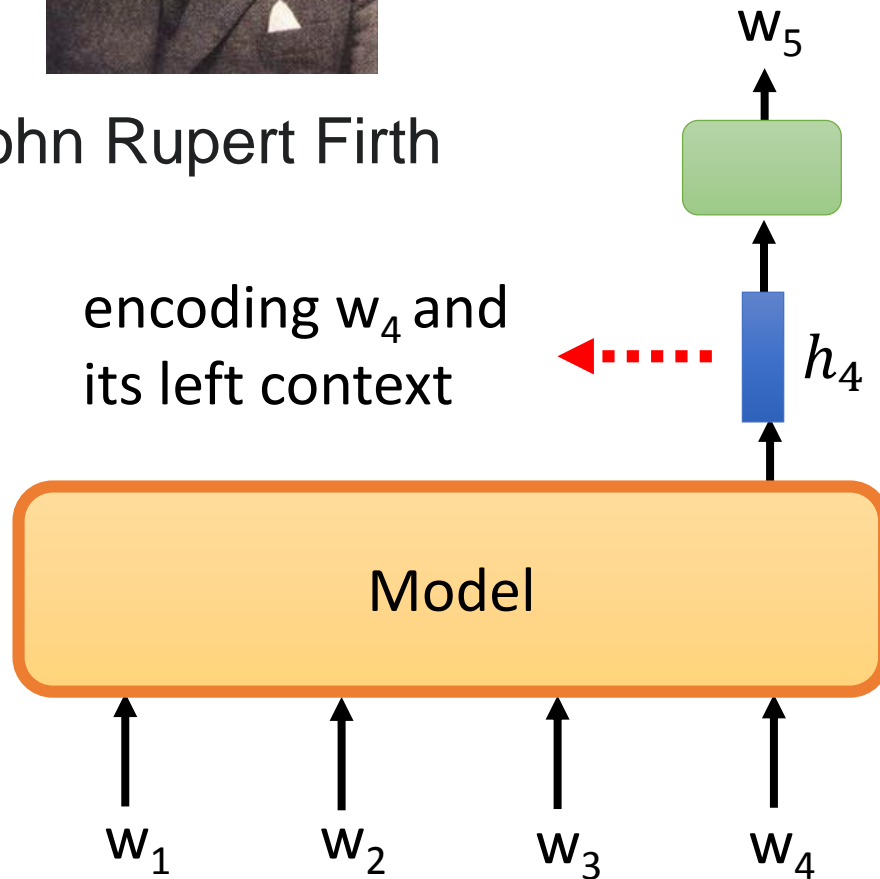
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You shall know a word by the company it keeps

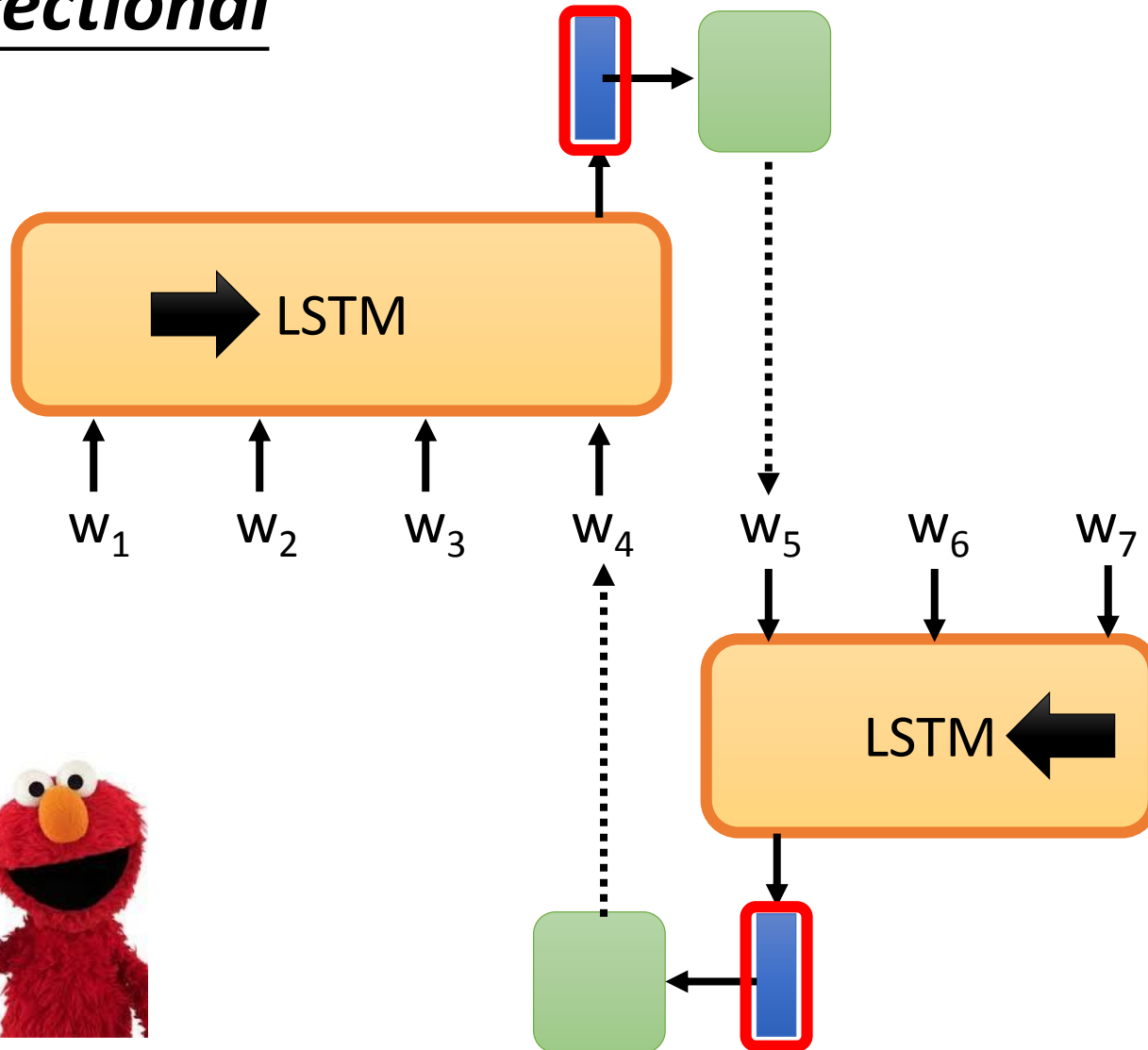
John Rupert Firth



encoding  $w_4$  and its left context

How about the right context!?

# Predict Next Token - Bidirectional



ELMO



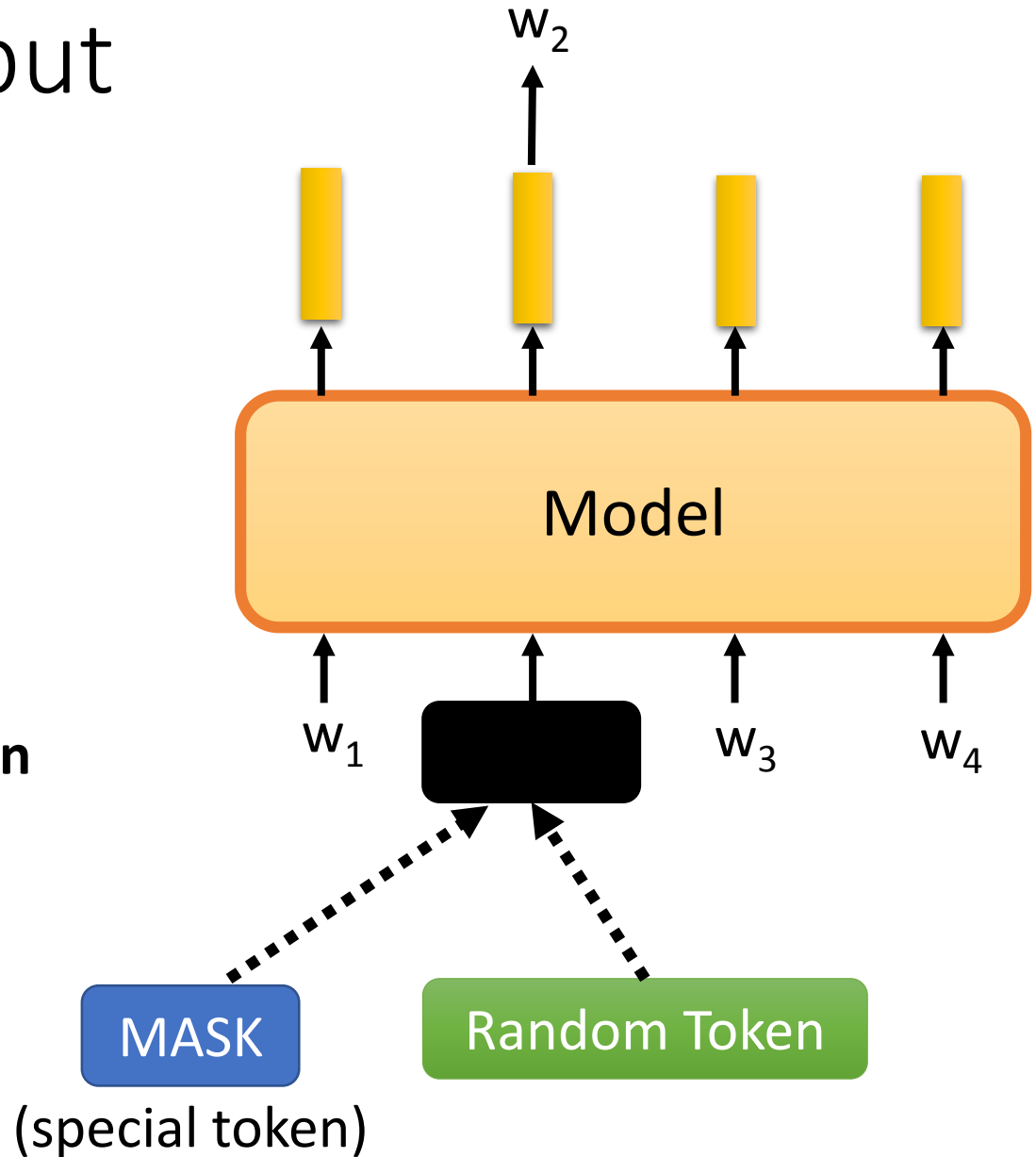
# Masking Input

BERT

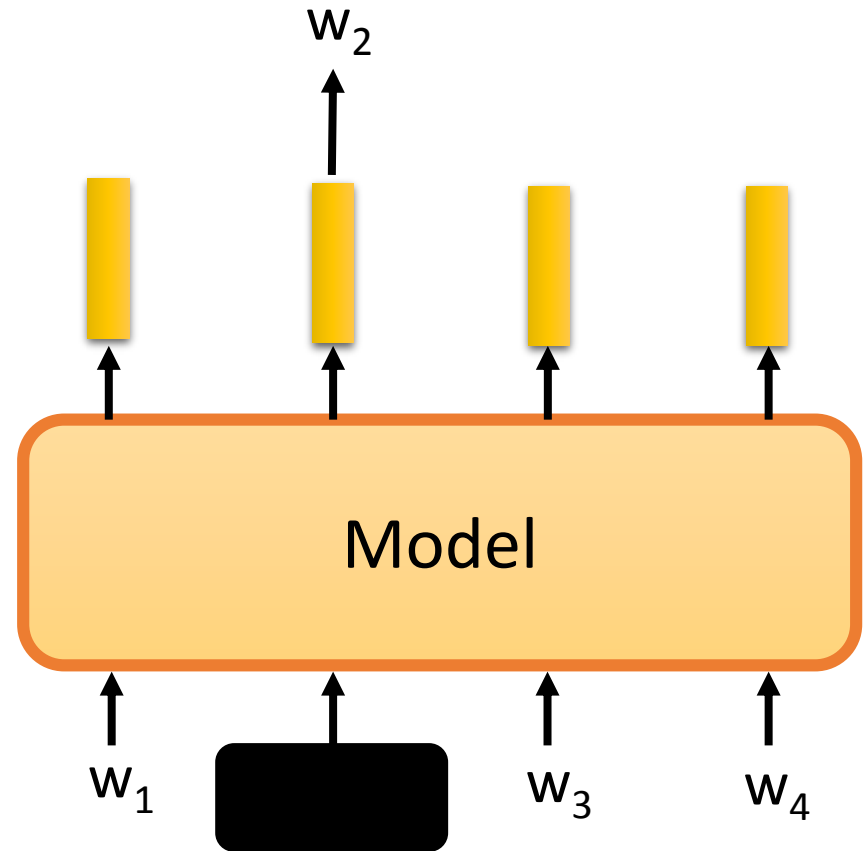
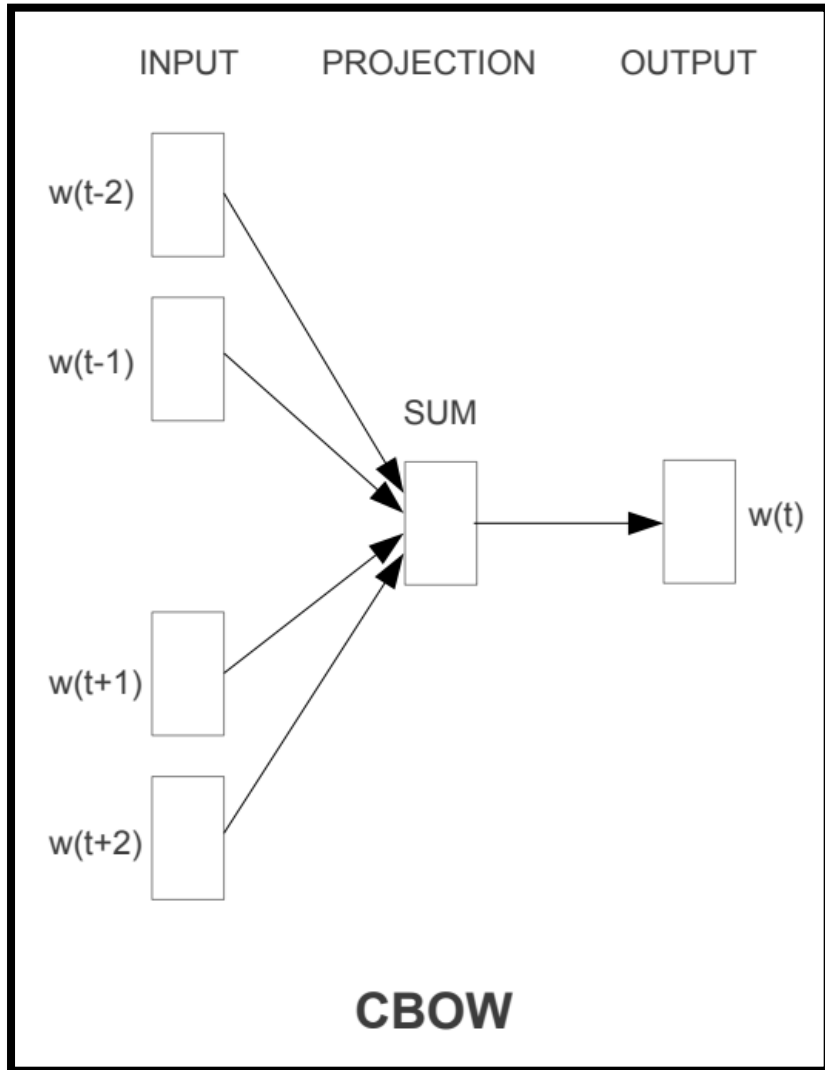
[Devlin, et al.,  
NAACL'19]



Transformer  
(no limitation on  
self-attention)



# Masking Input



Using context to predict the missing token

# Masking Input

Is random masking  
good enough?

- Whole Word Masking (WWM) [Cui, et al., arXiv'19]

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## [Original Sentence]

使用语言模型来预测下一个词的probability。

## [Original Sentence with CWS]

使用语言模型来预测下一个词的probability。

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<https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.08101>

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## [Original BERT Input]

使用语言[MASK]型来[MASK]测下一个词的pro[MASK]##lity。

## [Whold Word Masking Input]

使用语言[MASK][MASK]来[MASK][MASK]下一个词的[MASK][MASK][MASK]。

- Phrase-level & Entity-level

[Sun, et al., ACL'19]

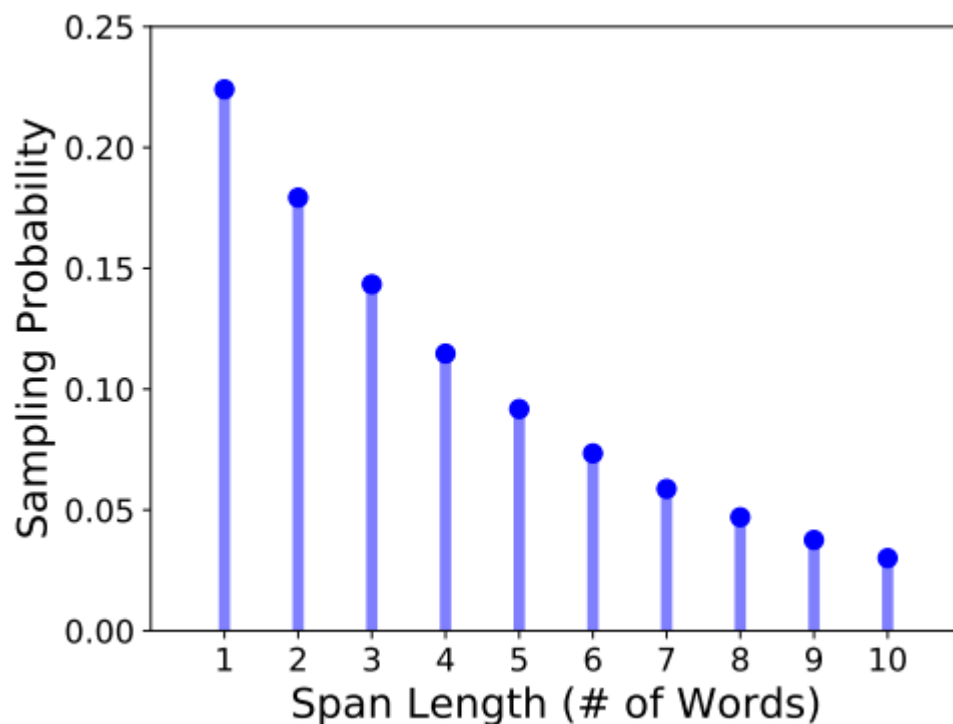
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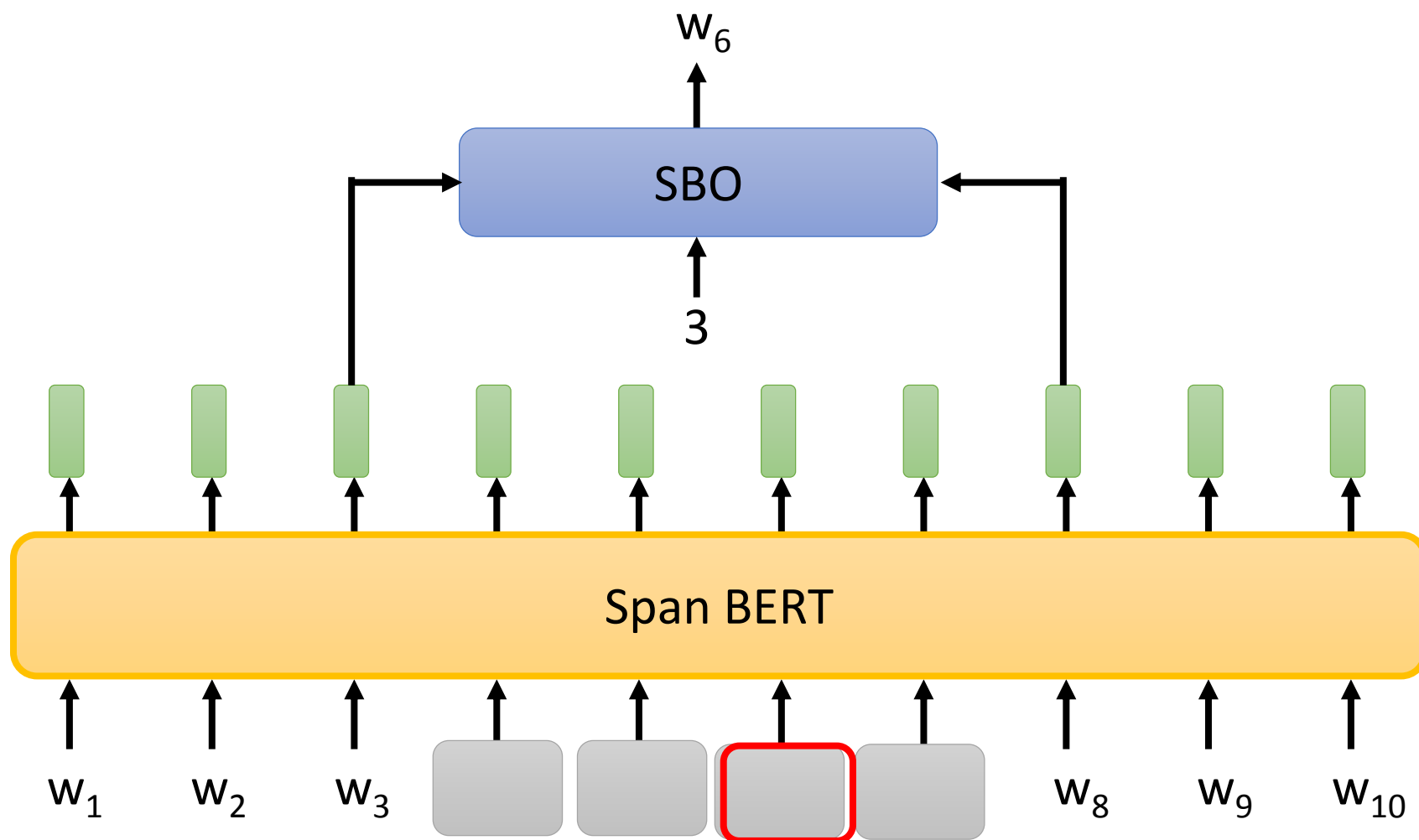
# SpanBert

[Joshi, et al., TACL'20]



	SQuAD 2.0	NewsQA	TriviaQA	Coreference	MNLI-m	QNLI	GLUE (Avg)
Subword Tokens	83.8	72.0	76.3	<b>77.7</b>	86.7	92.5	83.2
Whole Words	84.3	72.8	77.1	76.6	86.3	92.8	82.9
Named Entities	84.8	72.7	78.7	75.6	86.0	93.1	83.2
Noun Phrases	85.0	<b>73.0</b>	77.7	76.7	86.5	93.2	<b>83.5</b>
Geometric Spans	<b>85.4</b>	<b>73.0</b>	<b>78.8</b>	76.4	<b>87.0</b>	<b>93.3</b>	83.4

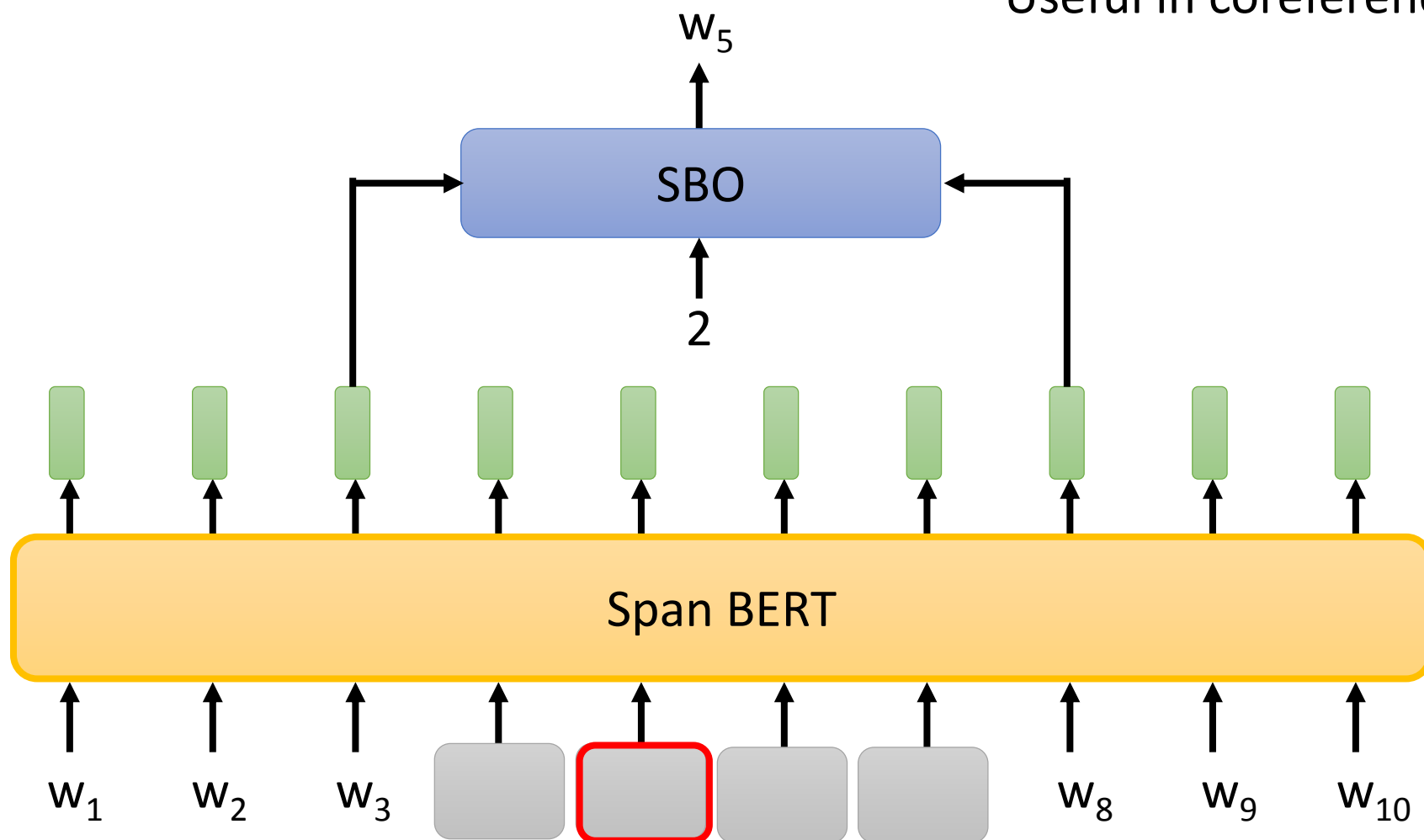
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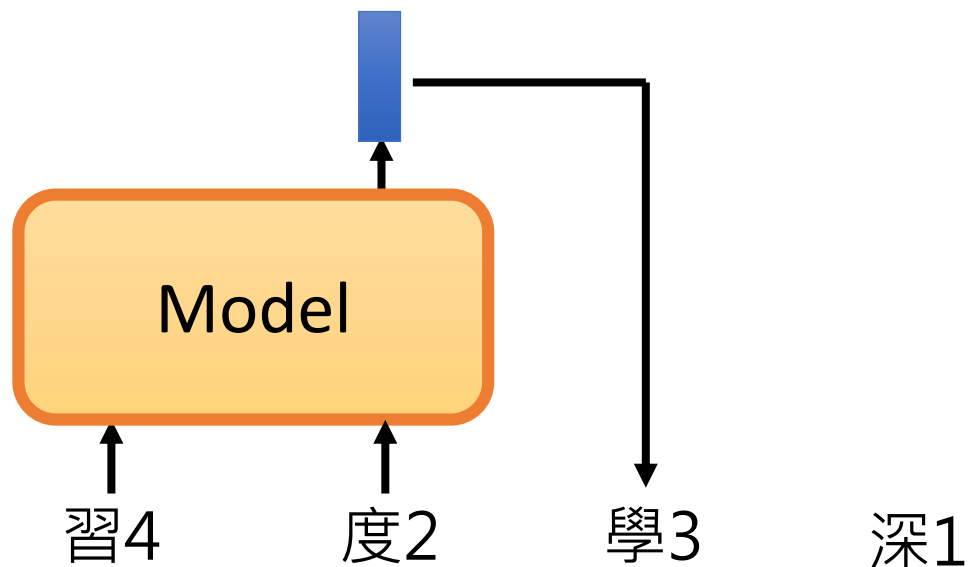
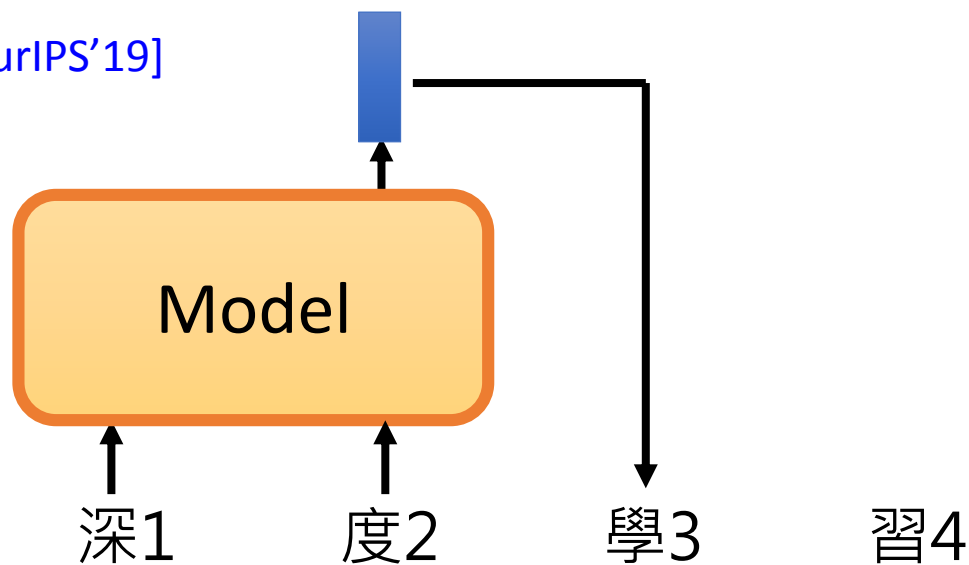
# SpanBert – Span Boundary Objective (SBO)

Useful in coreference?



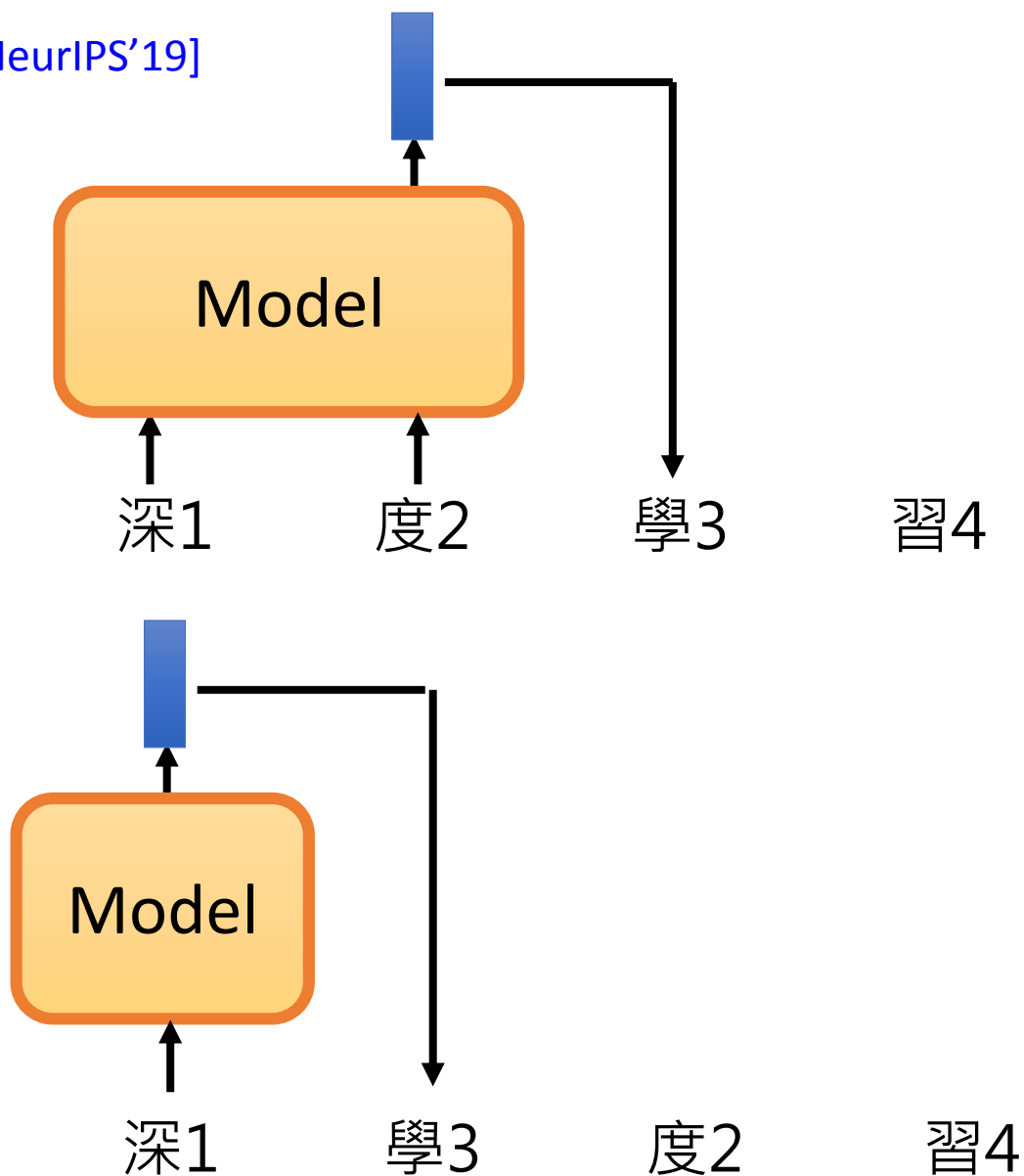
# XLNet [Yang, et al., NeurIPS'19]

Transformer-XL



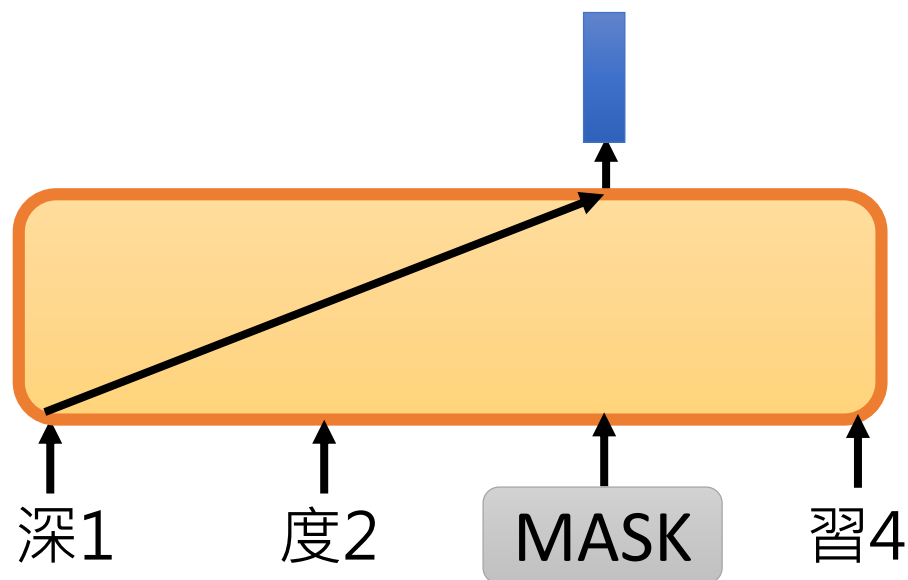
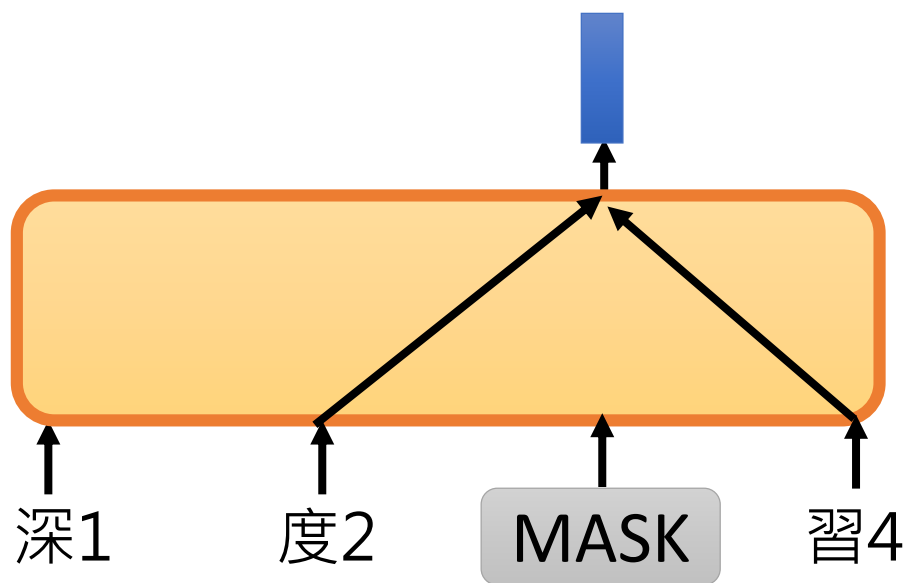
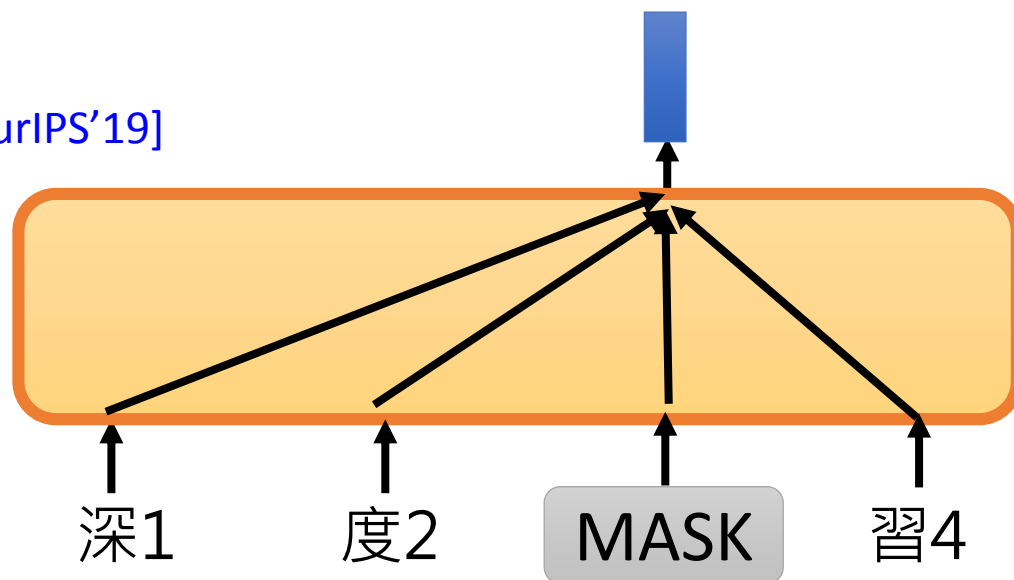
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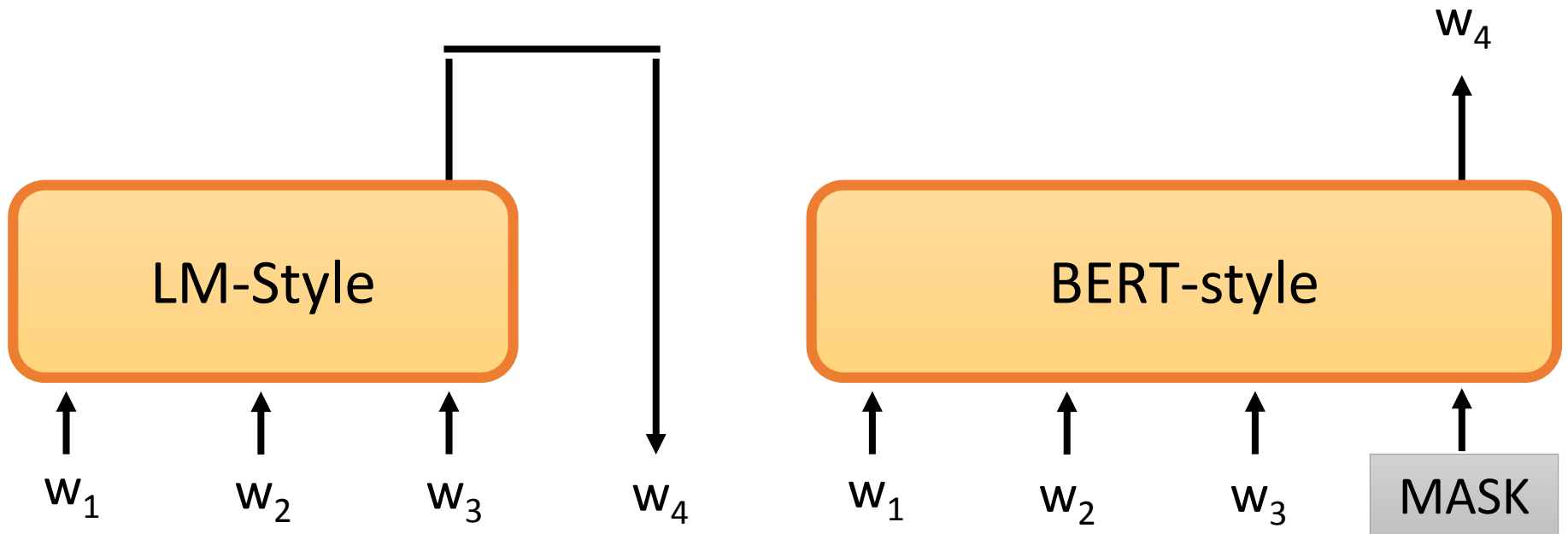
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# BERT cannot talk?

Limited to  
autoregressive model  
(non-autoregressive next  
time)

Given partial sequence, predict the next token

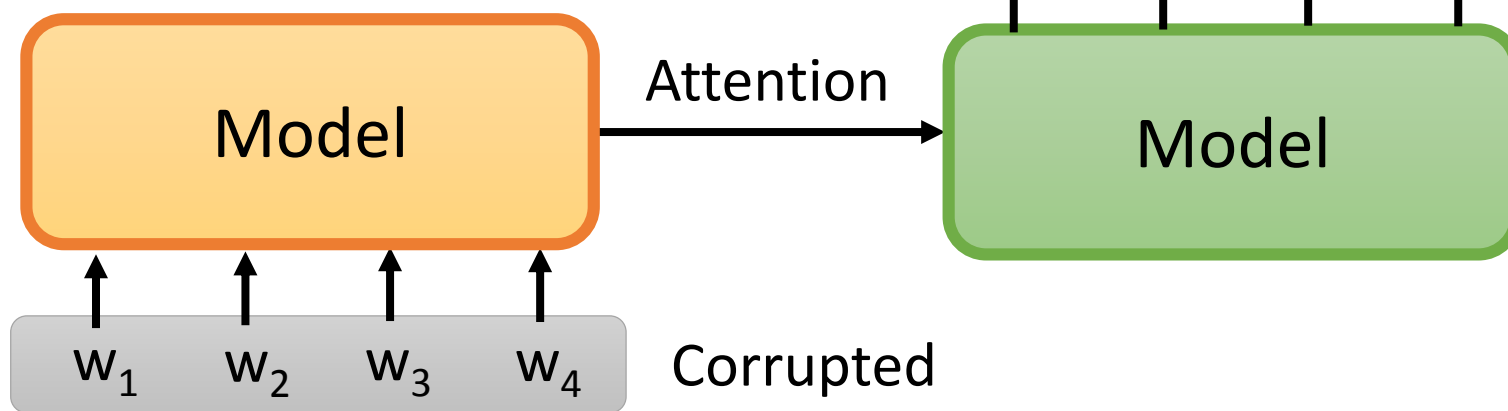


What LM born for

Never seen partial sequence

# MASS / BART

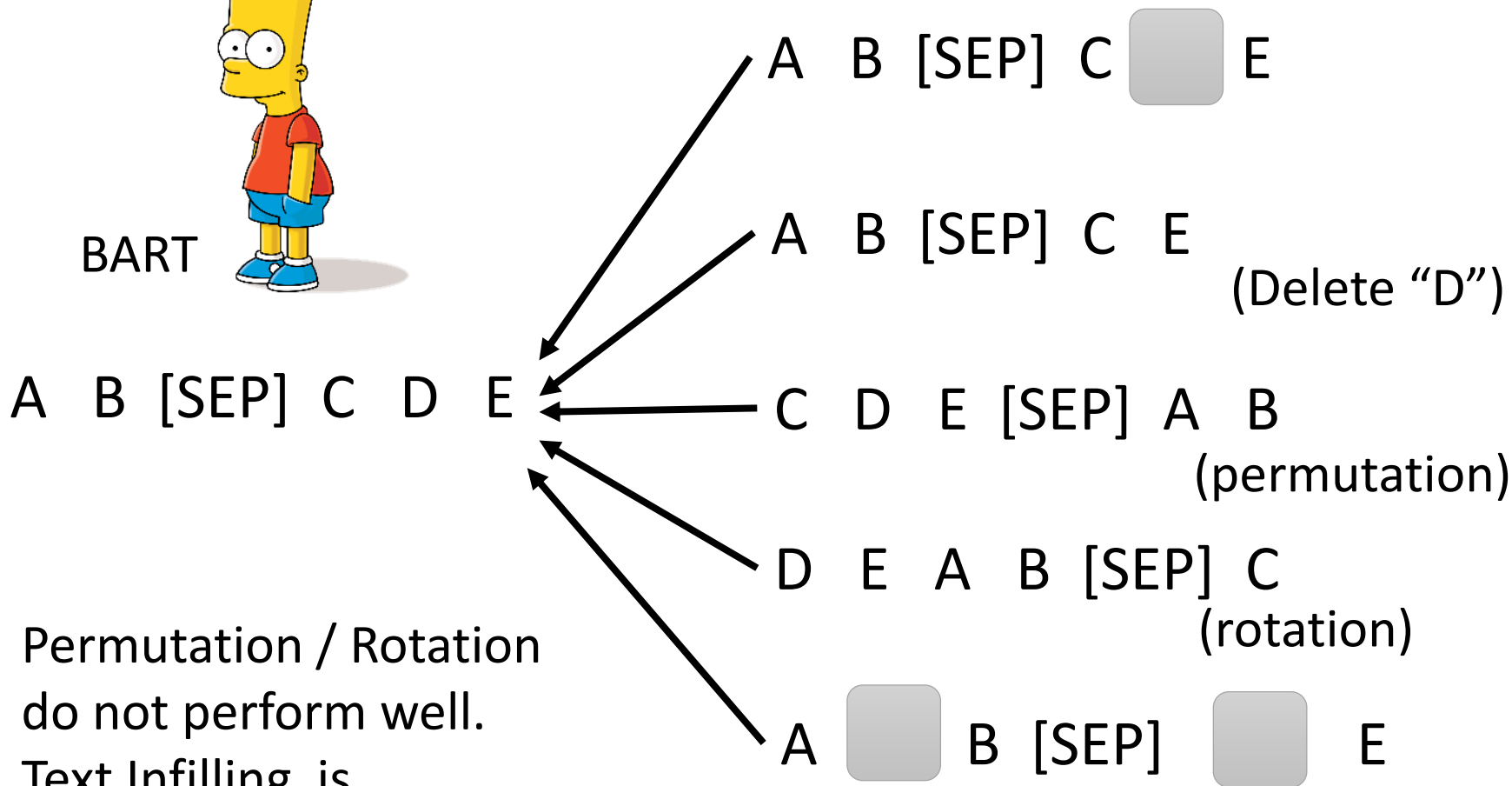
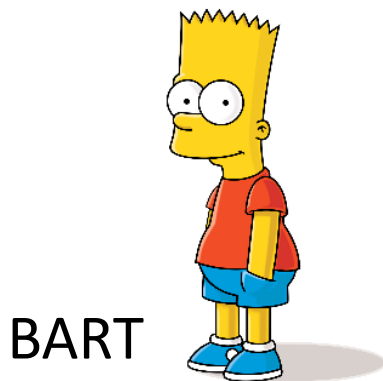
- The pre-train model is a typical seq2seq model.



MAsked Sequence to Sequence pre-training (MASS) [Song, et al., ICML'19]

Bidirectional and Auto-Regressive Transformers (BART) [Lewis, et al., arXiv'19]

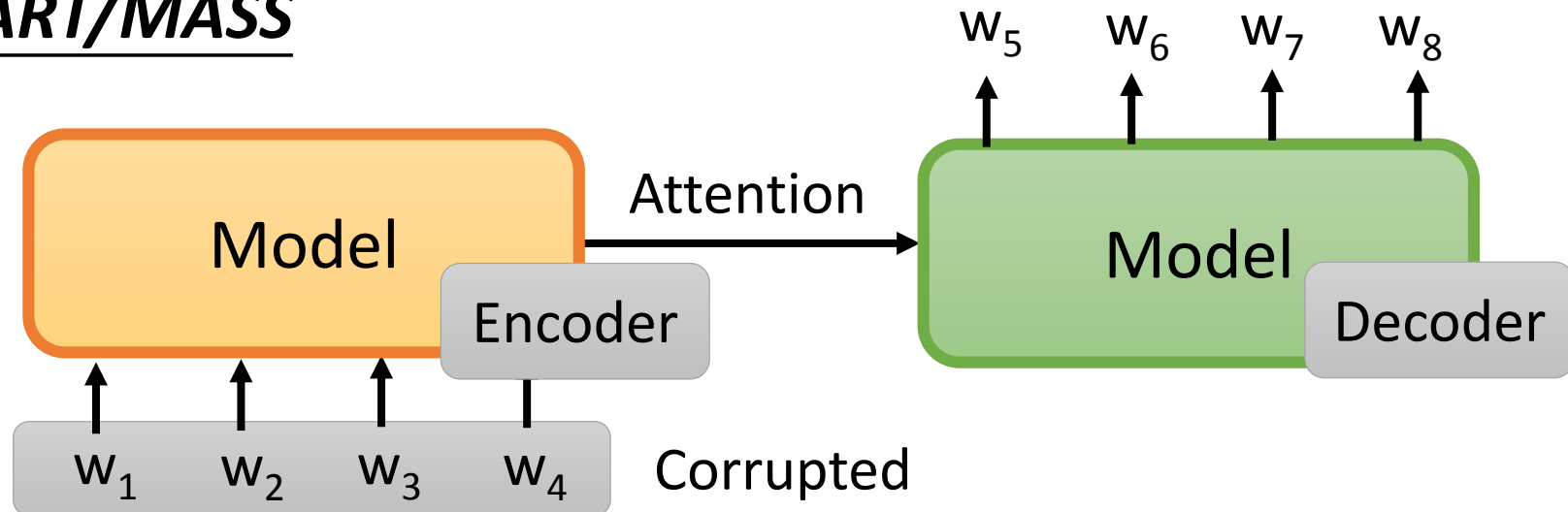
# Input Corruption



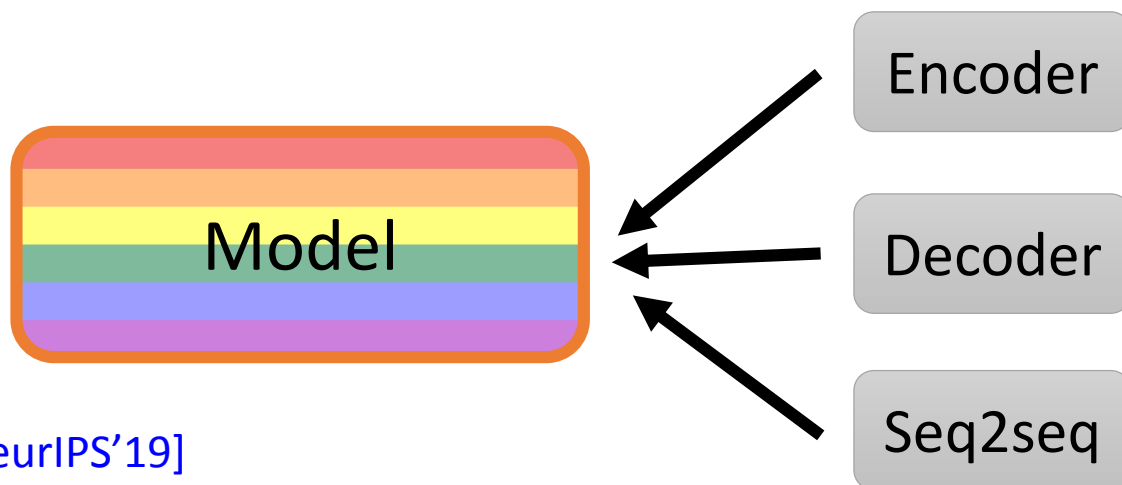
- Permutation / Rotation do not perform well.
- Text Infilling is consistently good.

**Text Infilling**

## BART/MASS



## UniLM

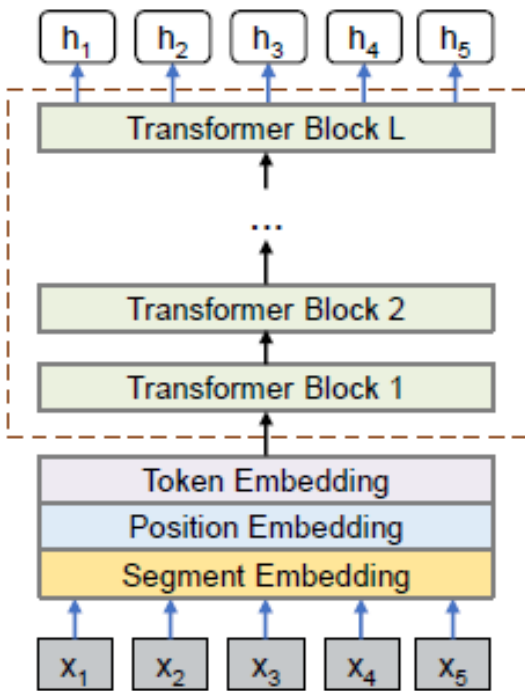


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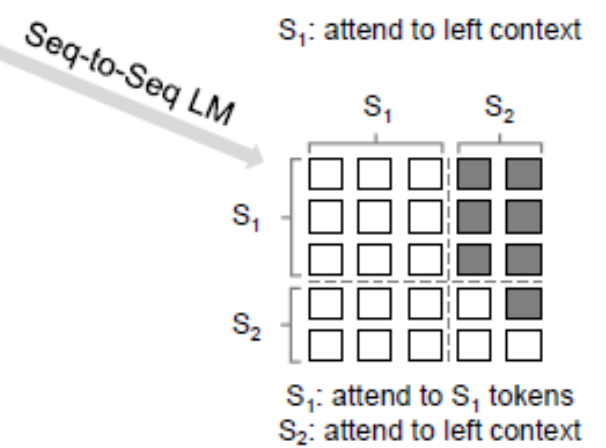
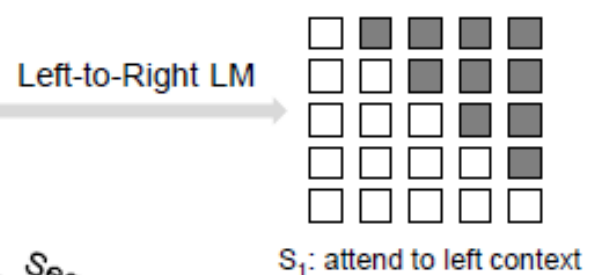
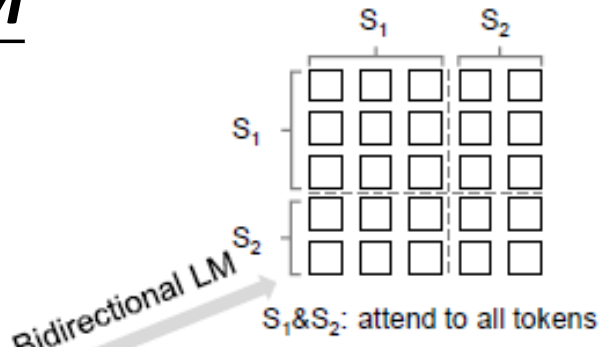


# UniLM

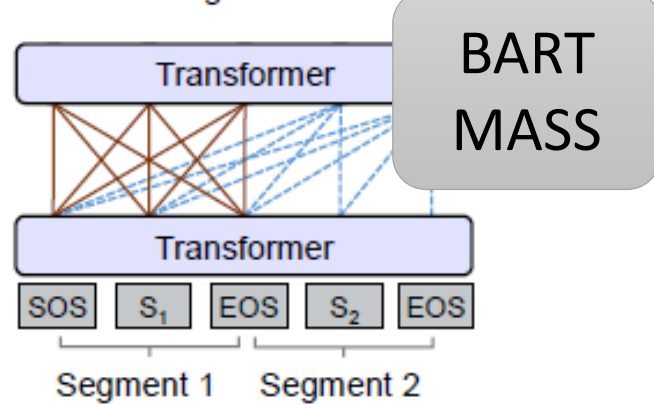
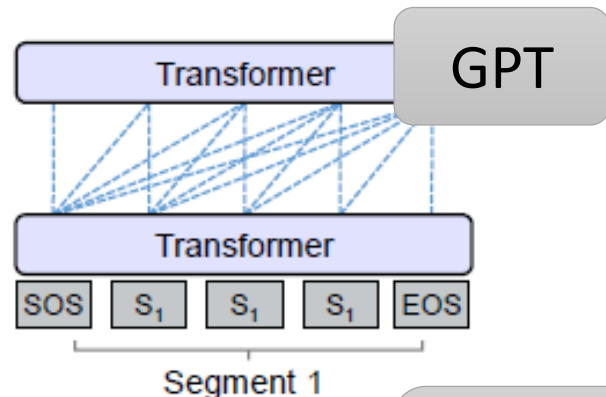
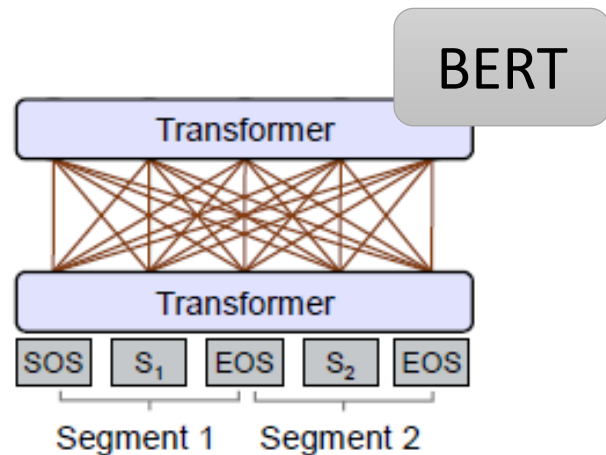
- Allow to attend
- Prevent from attending



**Unified LM with Shared Parameters**



**Self-attention Masks**



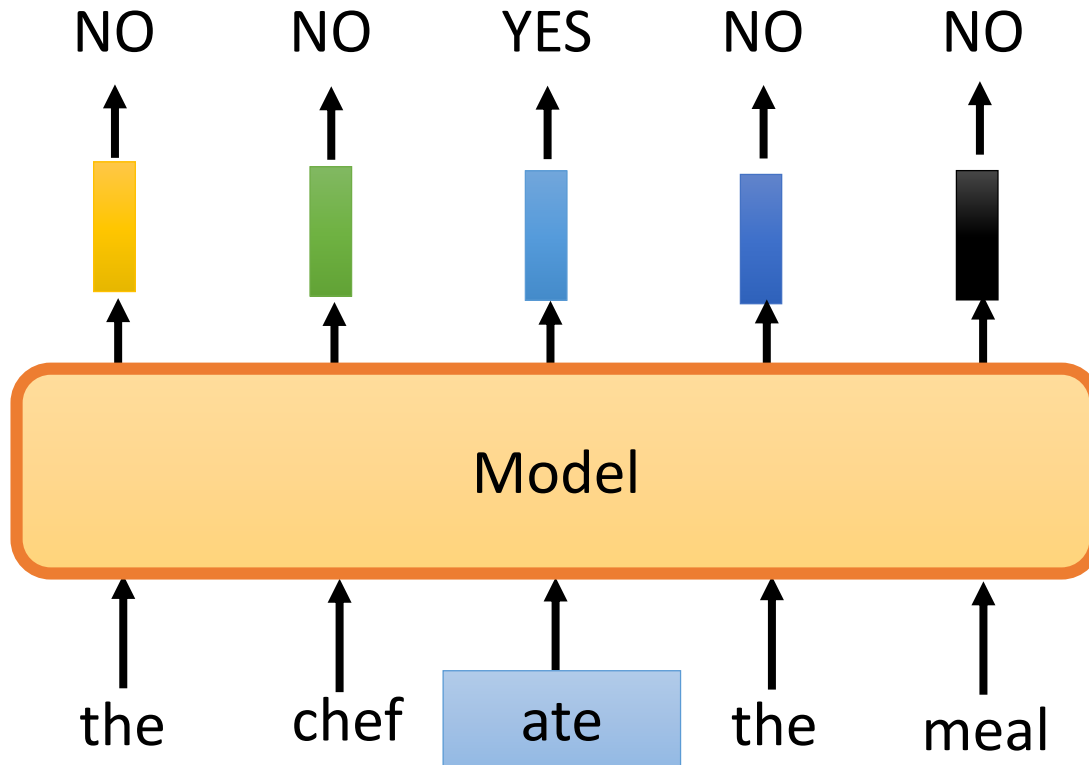
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# Replace or Not?

Efficiently Learning an Encoder that Classifies Token Replacements Accurately (ELECTRA)

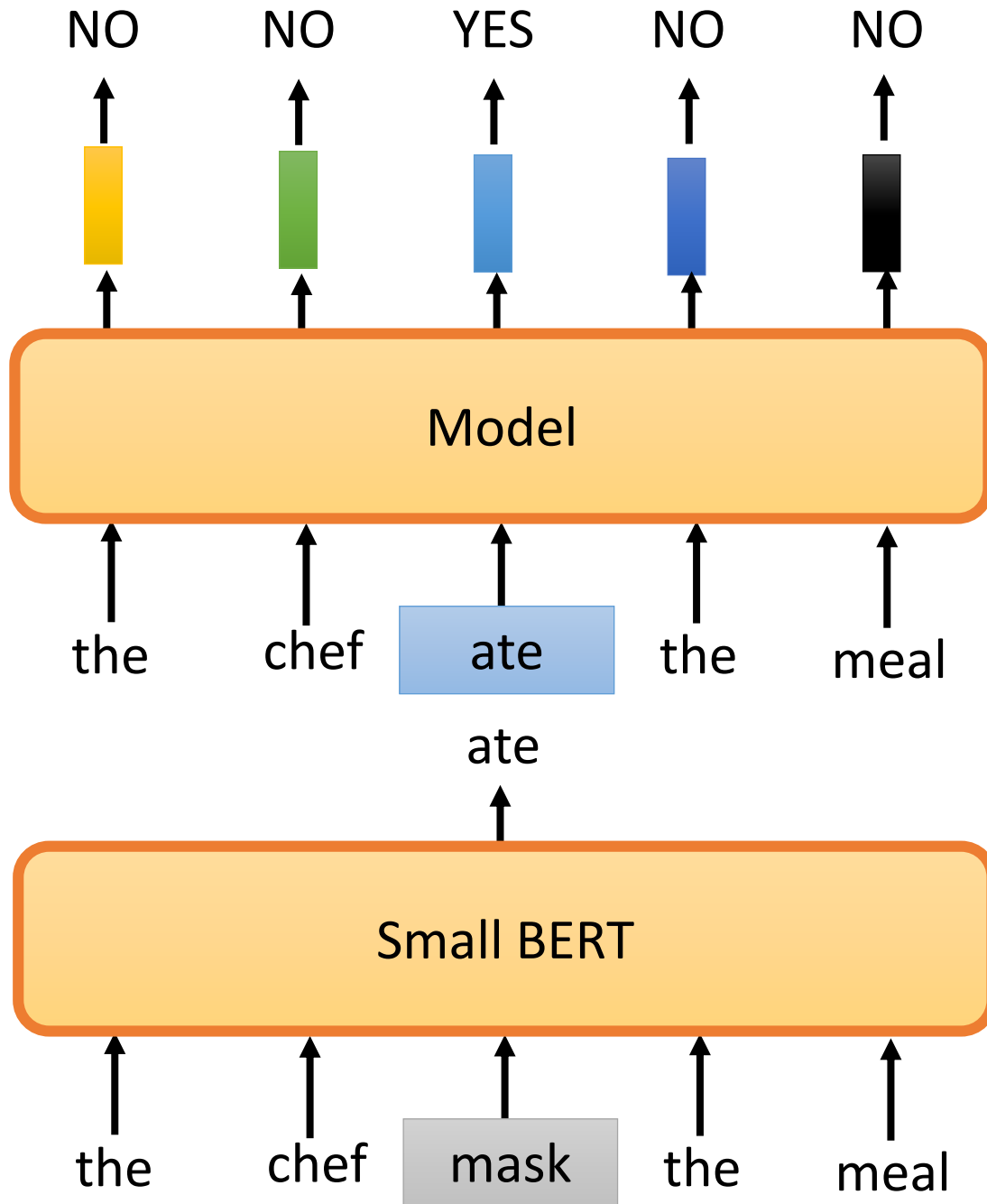


ELECTRA

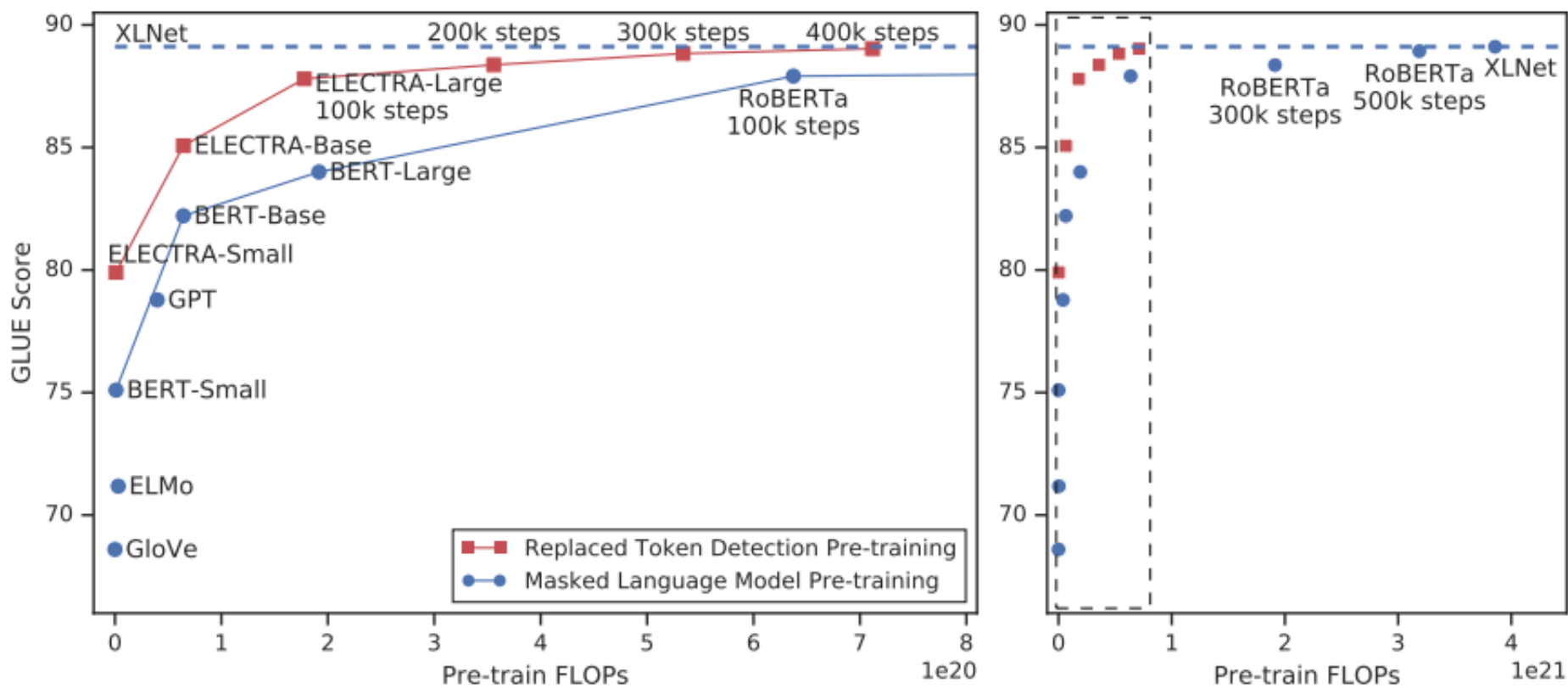


Predicting yes/not is easier than reconstruction.

Every output position is used.

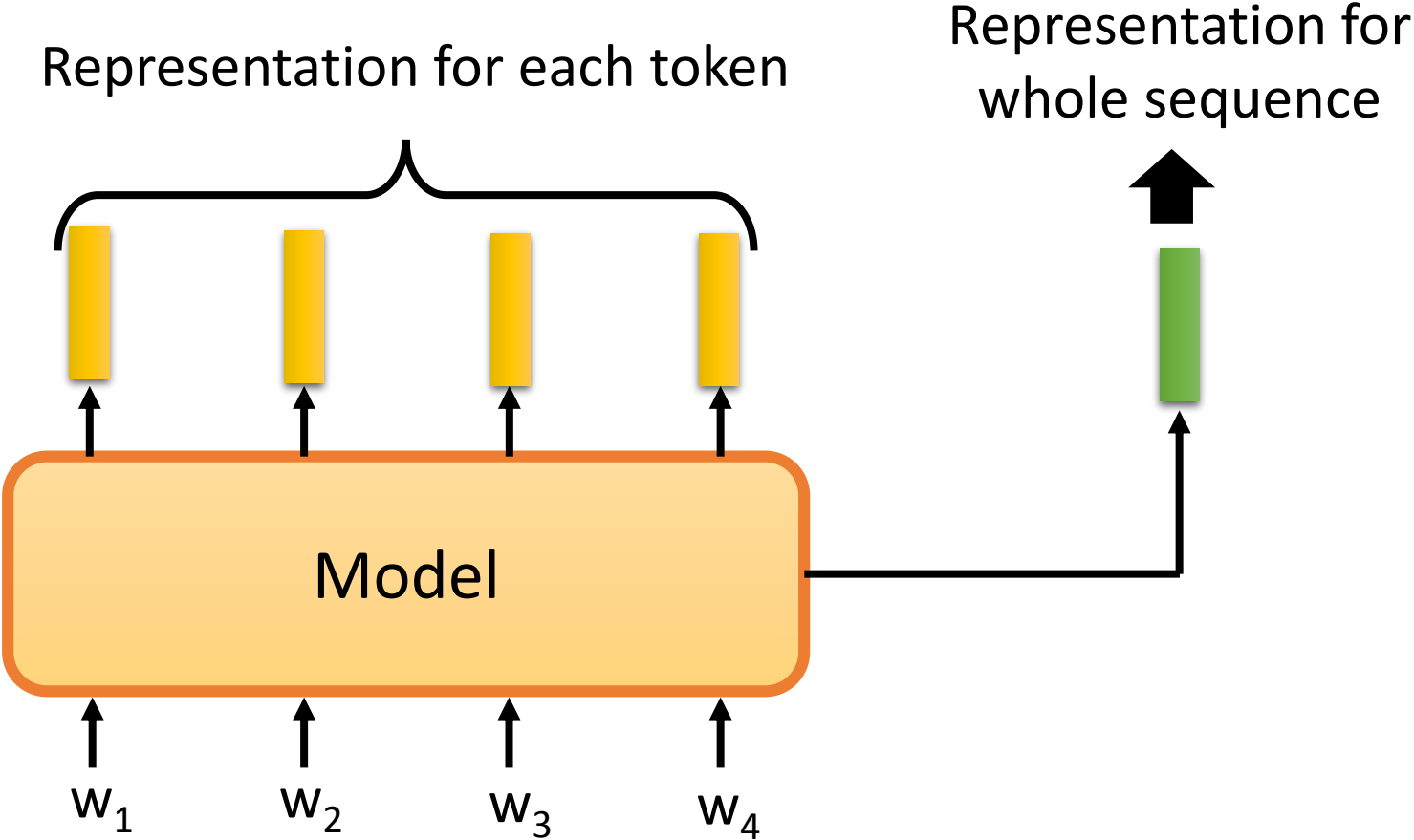


Note: This is not GAN.



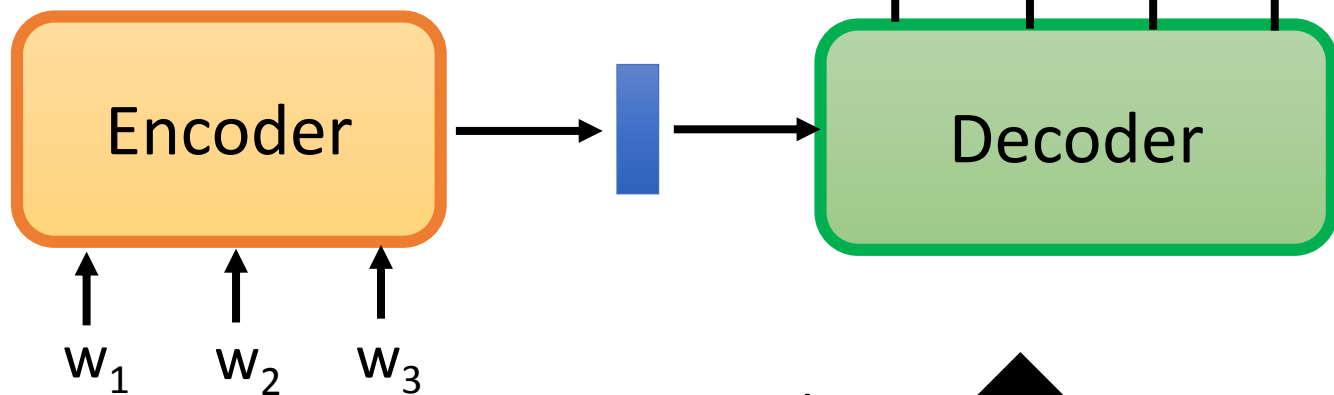
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# Sentence Level

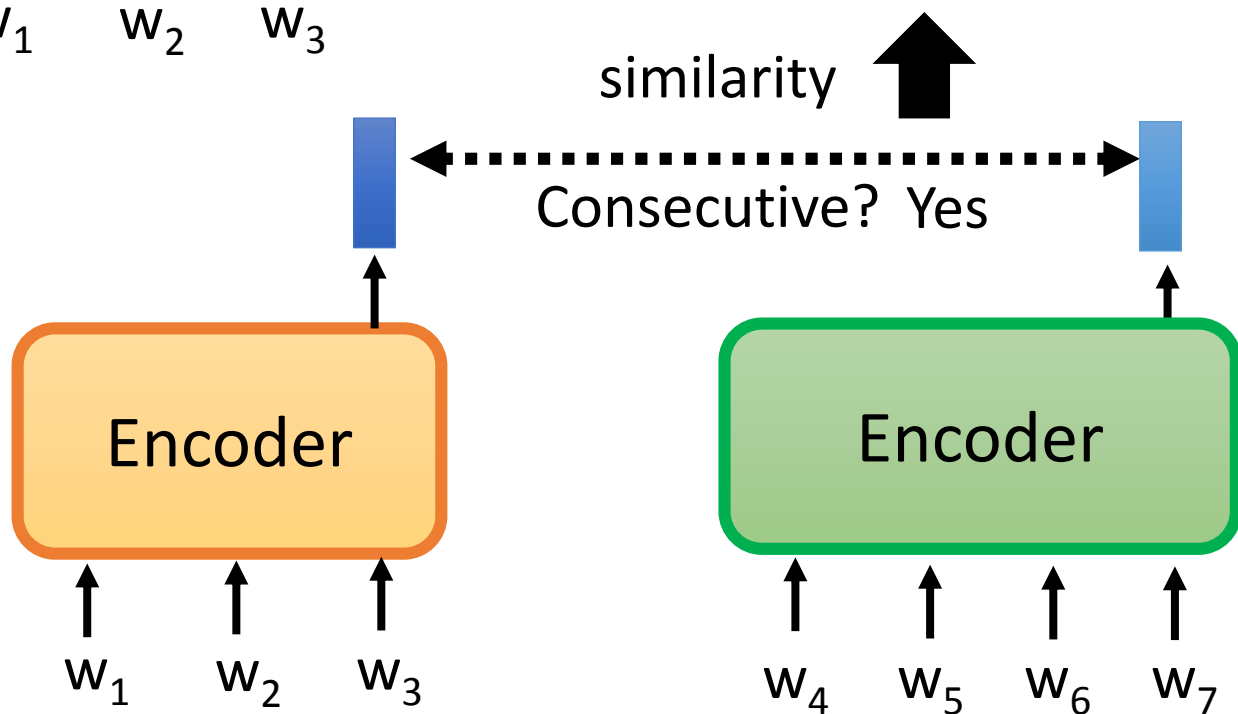


You shall know a **sentence** by the company it keeps?

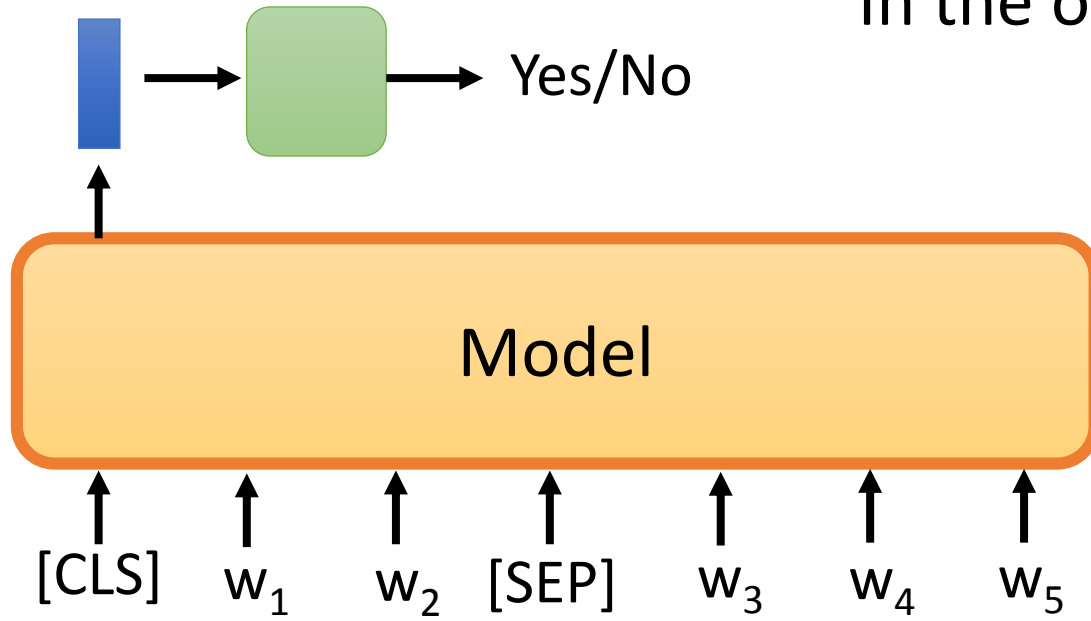
Skip Thought



Quick Thought



In the original BERT, .....



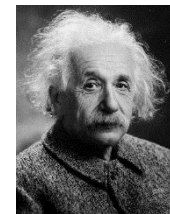
**NSP:** Next sentence prediction

Robustly optimized BERT approach (RoBERTa)

[Liu, et al., arXiv'19]

**SOP:** Sentence order prediction

Used in ALBERT

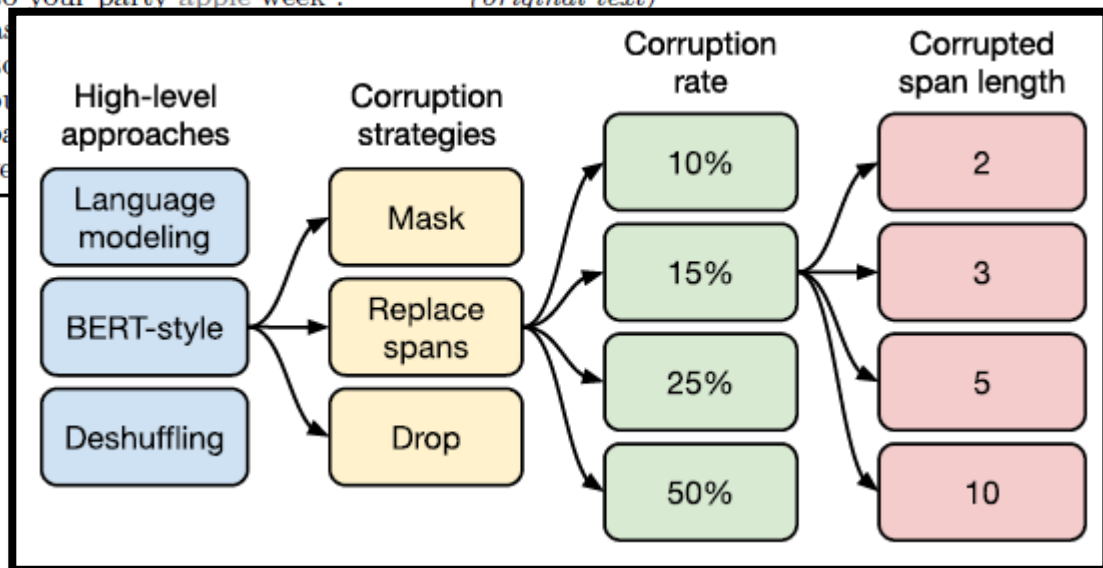


structBERT (Alice) [Want, et al., ICLR'20]

# T5 – Comparison [Raffel, et al., arXiv'19]

- Transfer Text-to-Text Transformer (T5)
- Colossal Clean Crawled Corpus (C4)

Objective	Inputs	Targets
Prefix language modeling	Thank you for inviting	me to your party last week .
BERT-style	Thank you <M> <M> me to your party apple week .	<i>(original text)</i>
Deshuffling	party me for your to . las	
I.i.d. noise, mask tokens	Thank you <M> <M> me to	
I.i.d. noise, replace spans	Thank you <X> me to yo	
I.i.d. noise, drop tokens	Thank you me to your pa	
Random spans	Thank you <X> to <Y> we	





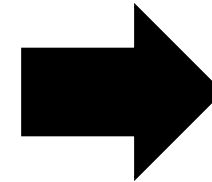
# Knowledge

This is another story .....

- Enhanced Language Representation with Informative Entities (ERNIE)

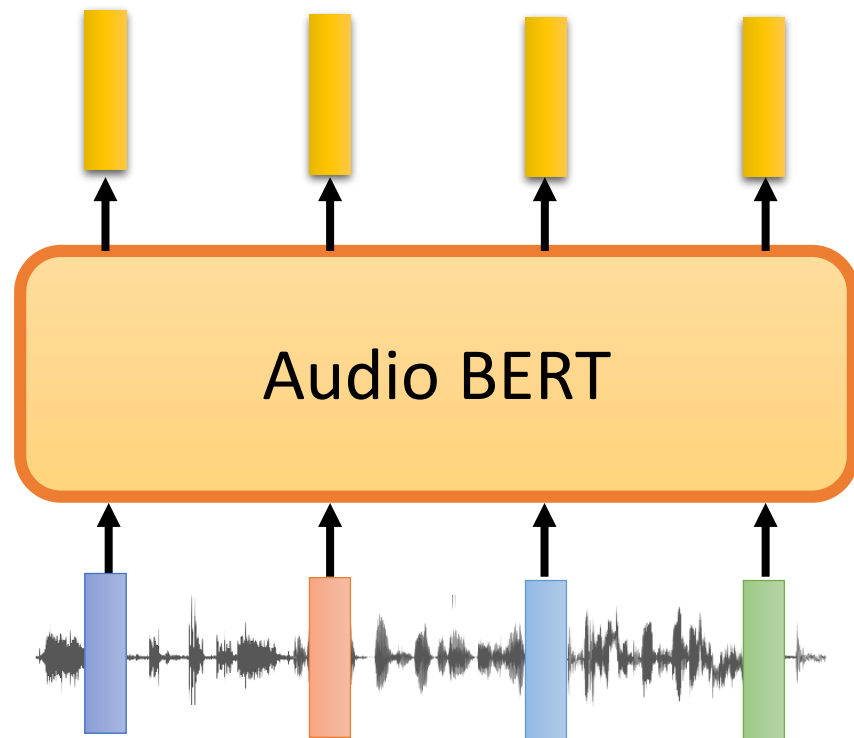
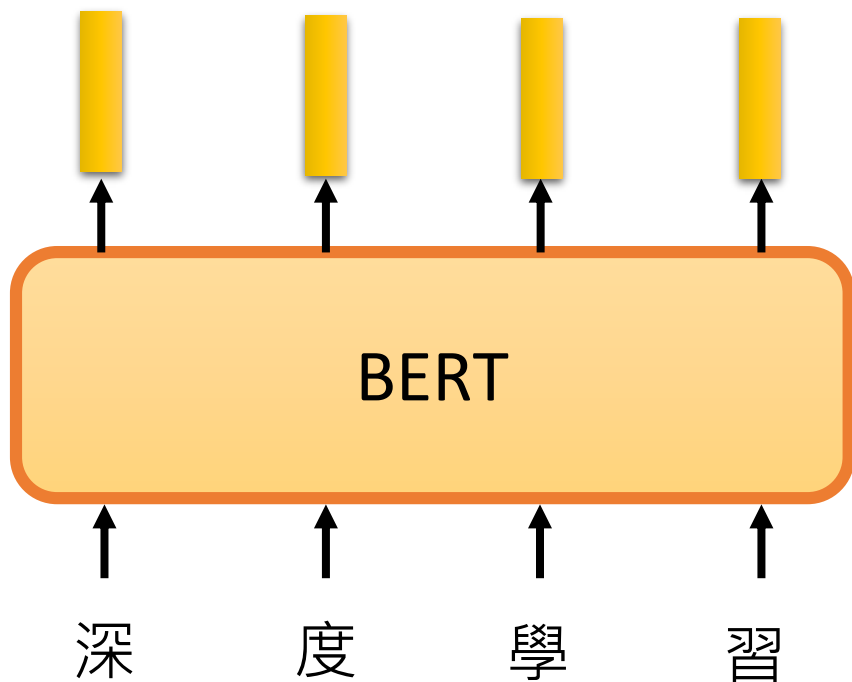


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# Audio BERT

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