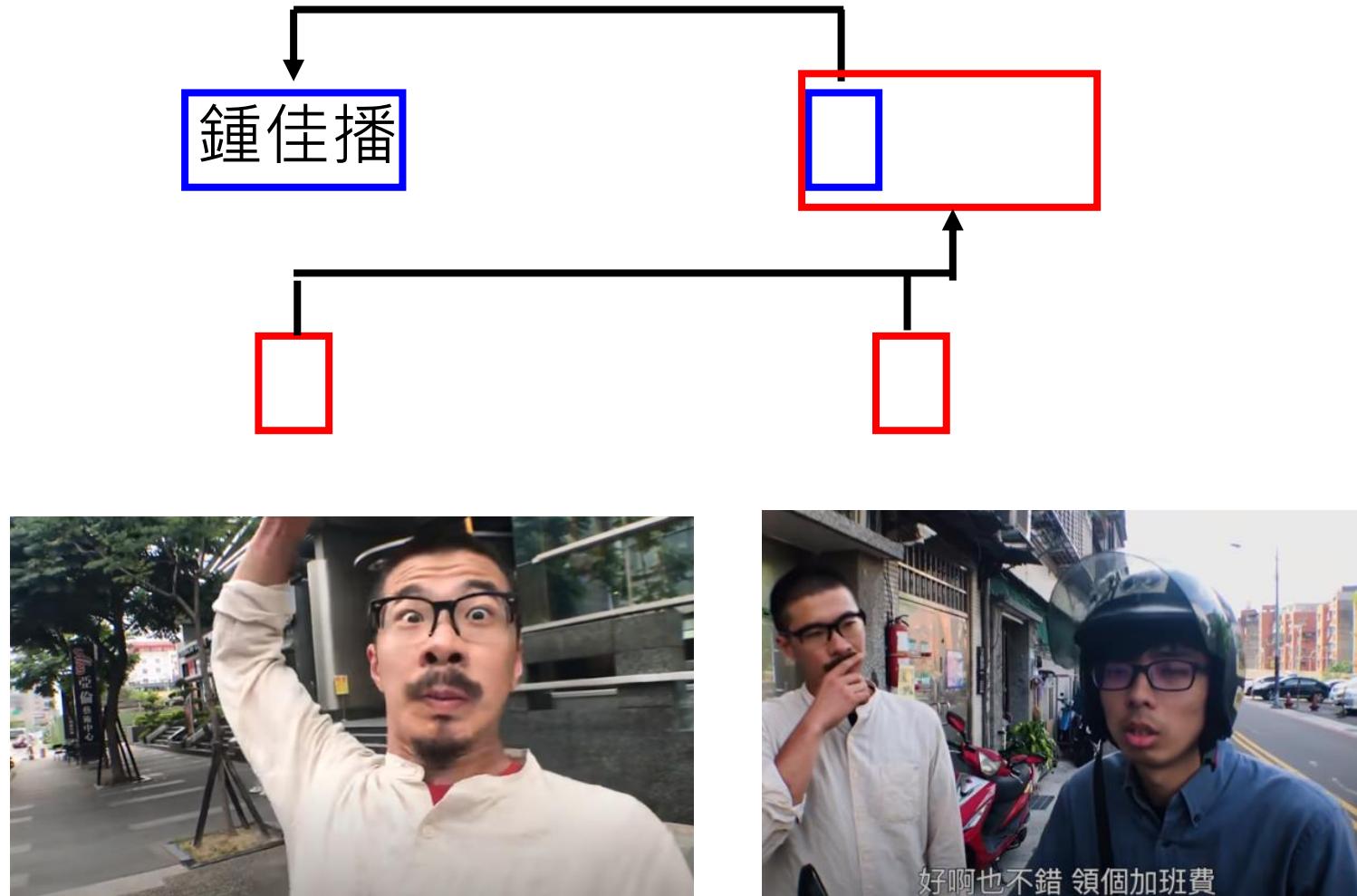


Coreference Resolution

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	One Sequence	Multiple Sequences
One Class	Sentiment Classification Stance Detection Veracity Prediction Intent Classification Dialogue Policy	NLI Search Engine Relation Extraction
Class for each Token	POS tagging Word segmentation Extractive Summarization Slotting Filling NER	
Copy from Input		Extractive QA
General Sequence	Abstractive Summarization Translation Grammar Correction NLG	General QA Chatbot State Tracker Task Oriented Dialogue
Other?	Parsing, Coreference Resolution	

Coreference Resolution



Coreference Resolution

鍾佳播瞪著樂咖舉起他的拳頭說：

「它今天不搥倒高牆，它不放下」

Question: 甚麼東西會搥倒高牆？

Answer: 它

Coreference Resolution

鍾佳播
鍾佳播瞪著樂咖舉起□的拳頭說：
「□今天不搥倒高牆，□不放下」
鍾佳播的拳頭 鍾佳播的拳頭

Question: 甚麼東西會搥倒高牆？

Answer: 鍾佳播的拳頭

Coreference Resolution

- Winograd Schema Challenge



Terry Winograd



The **trophy** would not fit in the brown **suitcase** because **it** was too big. What was too big?

The **trophy** would not fit in the brown **suitcase** because **it** was too small. What was too small?

Coreference Resolution



Task Introduction

鍾佳播瞪著樂咖舉起他的拳頭說：

「它今天不搥倒高牆，它不放下」

Cluster 1: { 鍾佳播 , 他 }

Cluster 2: { 他的拳頭 , 它 , 它 }

- All the mentions are labeled (sometimes singletons are ignored).
- The mentions are grouped into clusters.

Framework

- Step 1: Mention Detection

N tokens in a token sequence

$N(N-1)/2$ possible spans

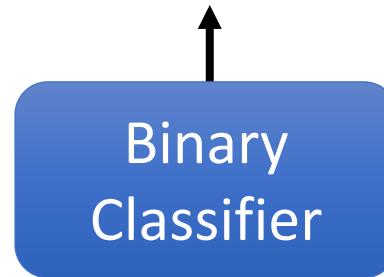
鍾佳播瞪著樂咖舉起他的拳頭

鍾佳播
樂咖
他
他的拳頭

V.S.

鍾
鍾佳
.....
播瞪著樂
.....
咖舉起他的

Is it a mention?



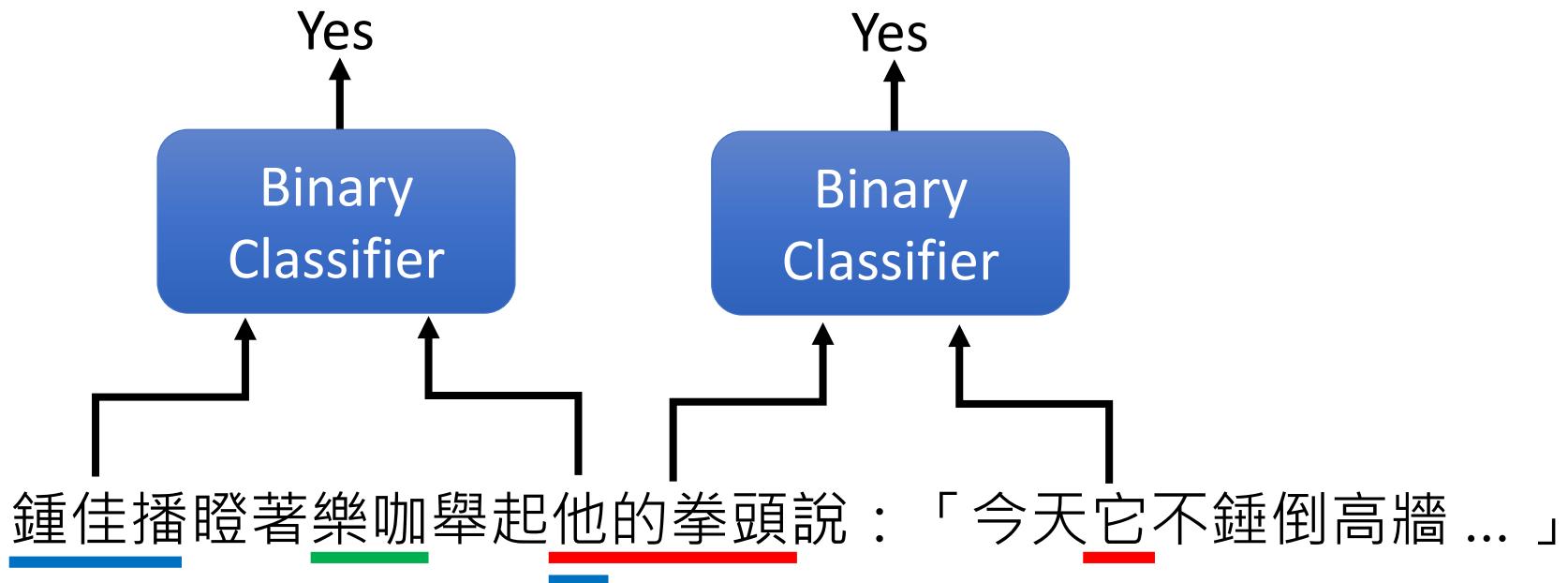
..... $w_2 w_3 w_4 w_5 \dots$

given a token sequence

Framework

- Step 2: Mention Pair Detection

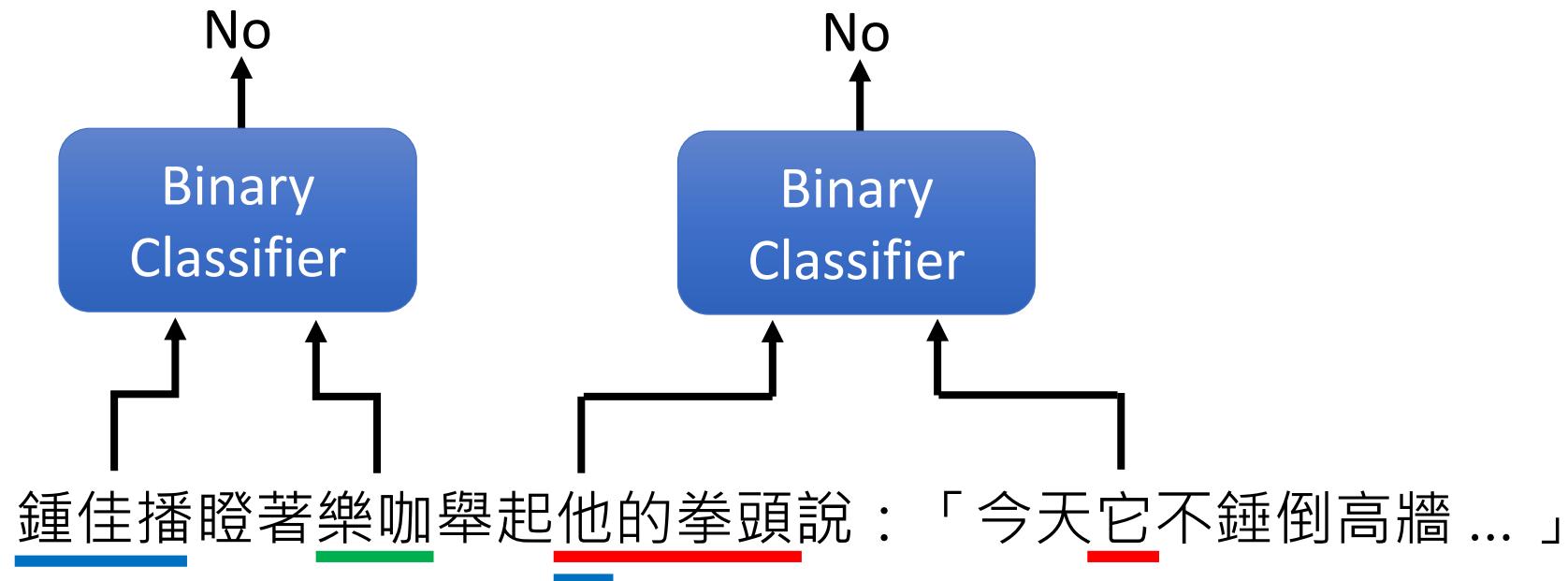
Do they refer to the same entity?



Framework

- Step 2: Mention Pair Detection

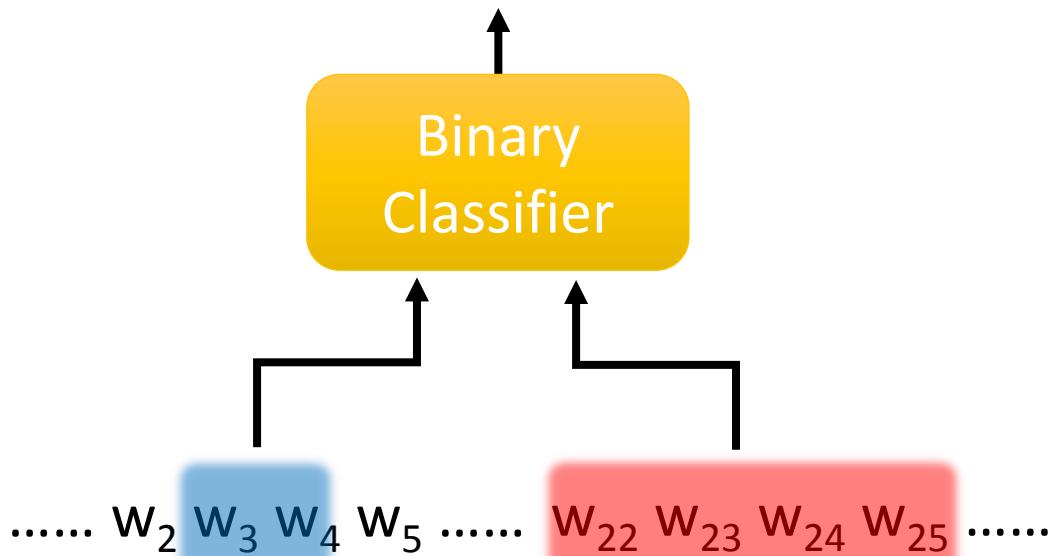
If there are K mentions, run the binary classifier $K(K-1)/2$ times.



End-to-end

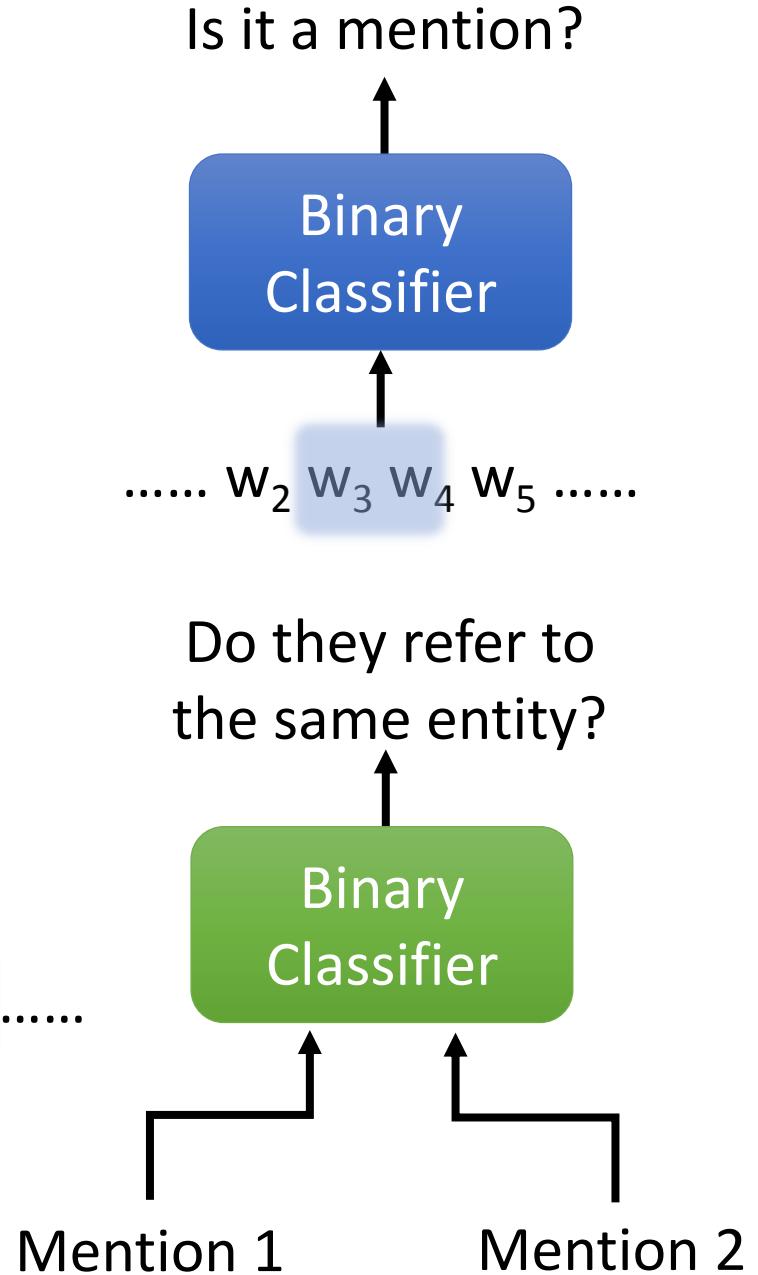
Output “yes” if ...

“Both inputs are mentions” and
“They refer to the same entity”



$$N \text{ tokens} \quad N(N-1)/2 \text{ spans} = K$$

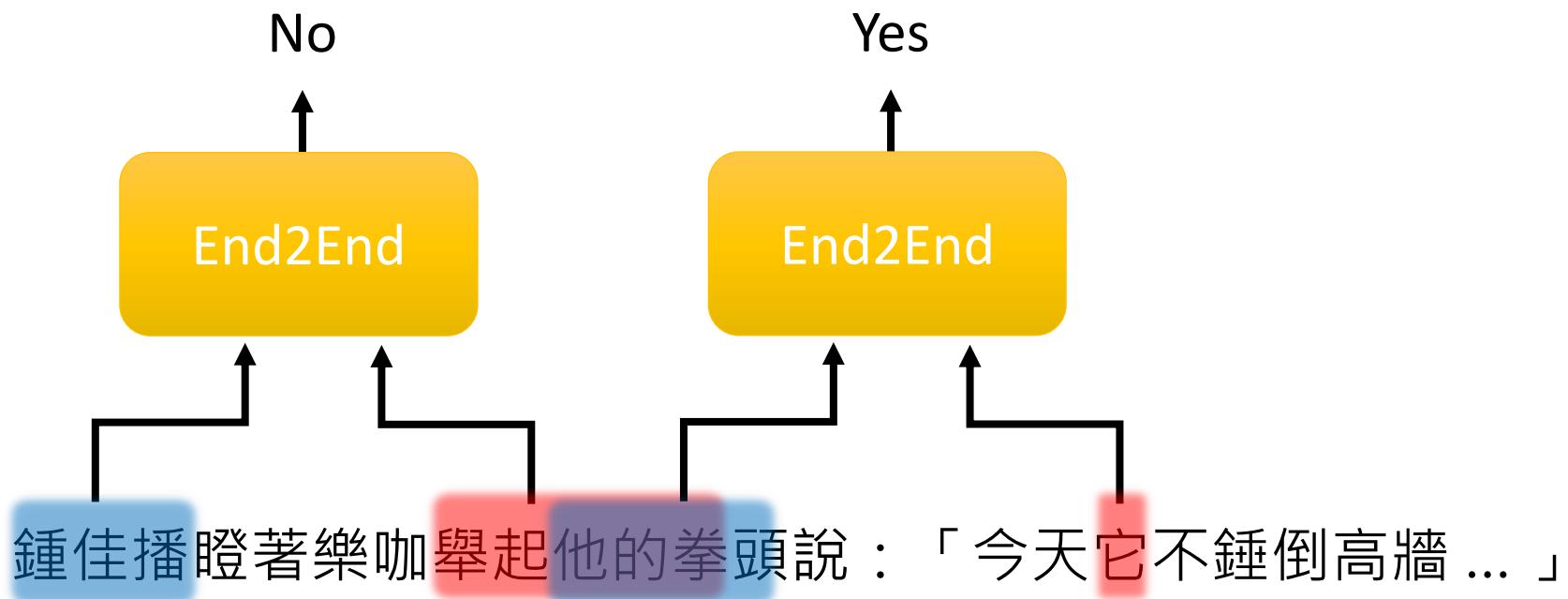
Run $K(K-1)/2$ times

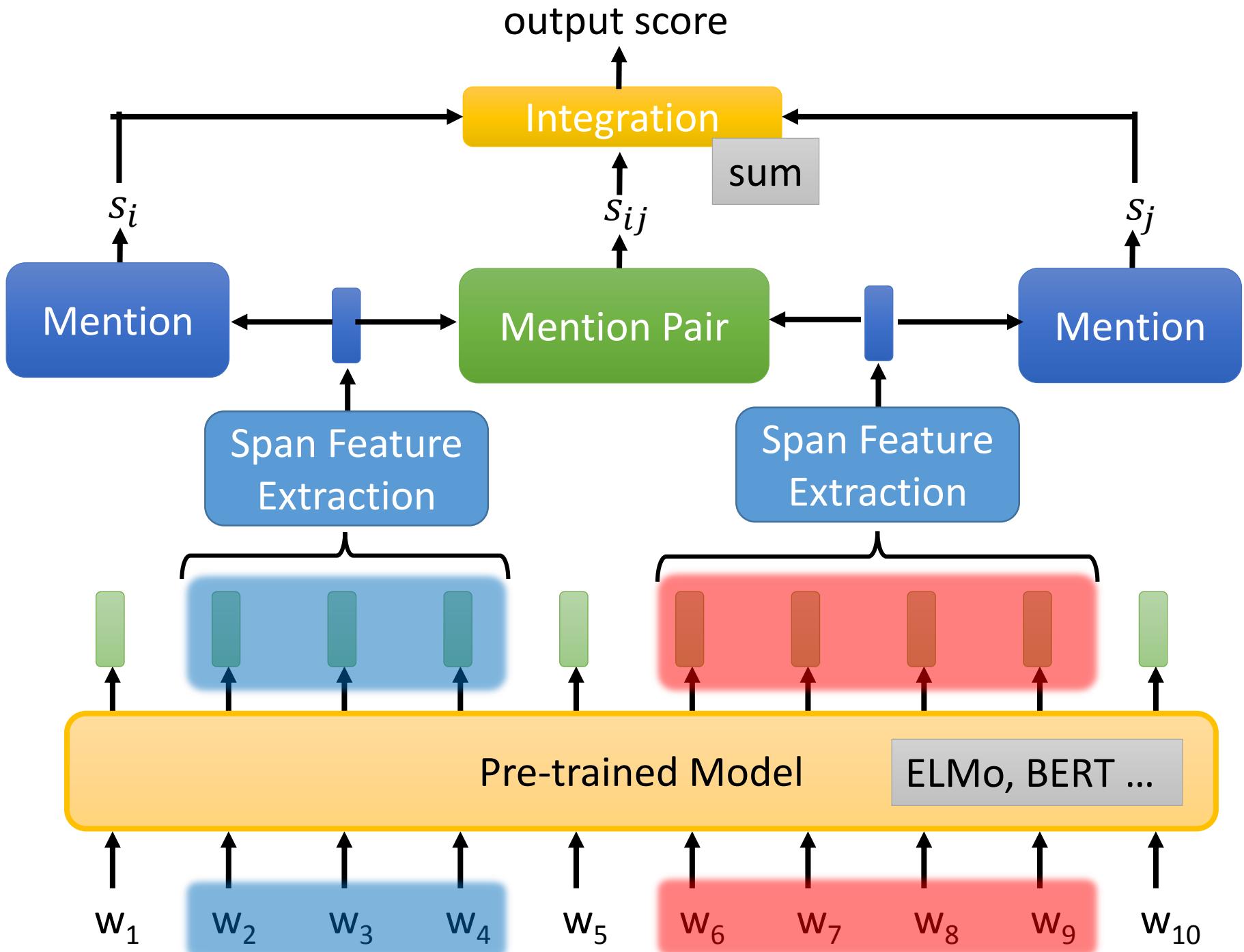


Training – Binary Classification

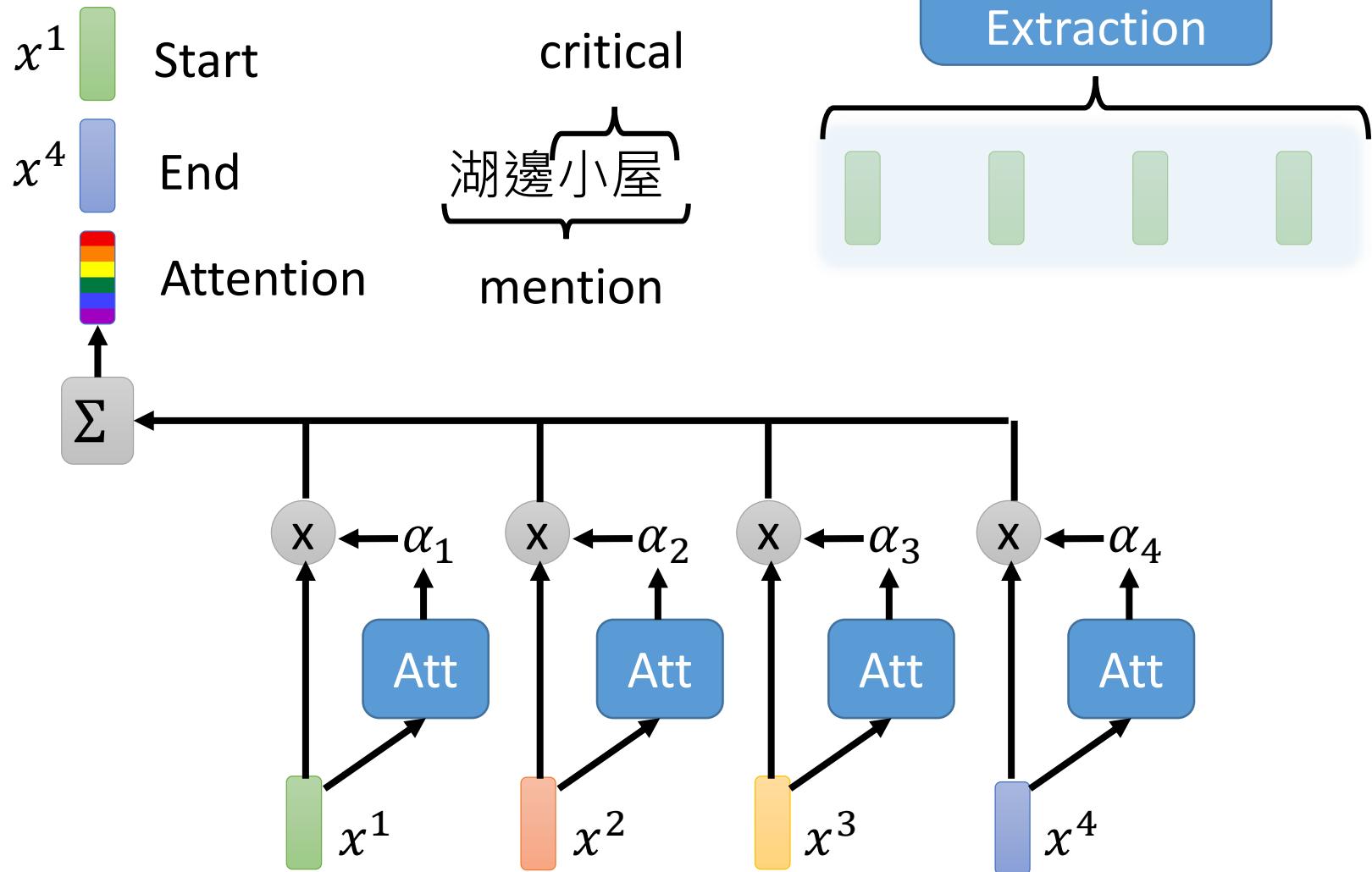
Ignore Mention Ranking Model here

Please refer to chapter 22.4 of “Speech and language processing” (3rd)





Span Representation

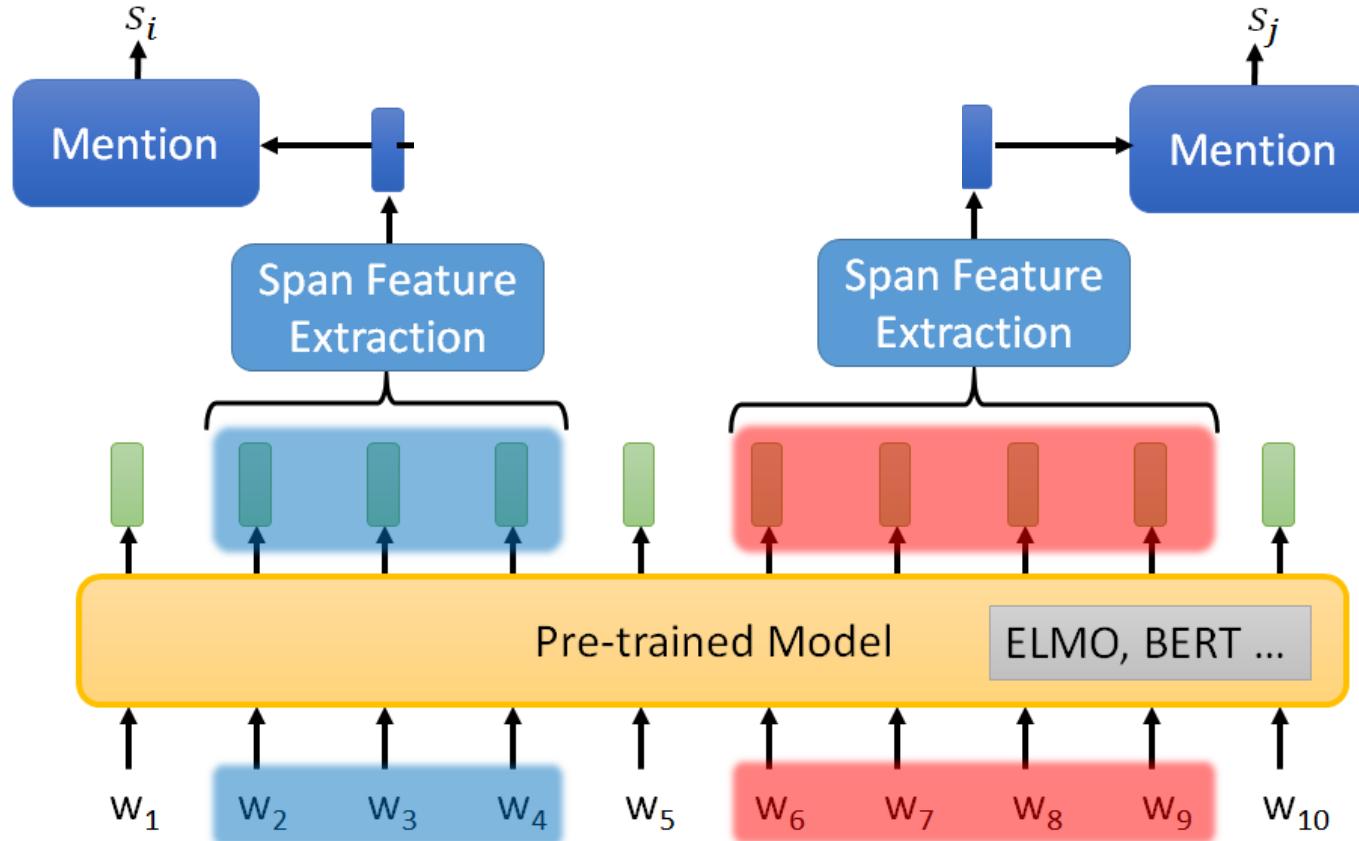


Practical Implementation

Can be reduced by
length constraint

$K \ll N$

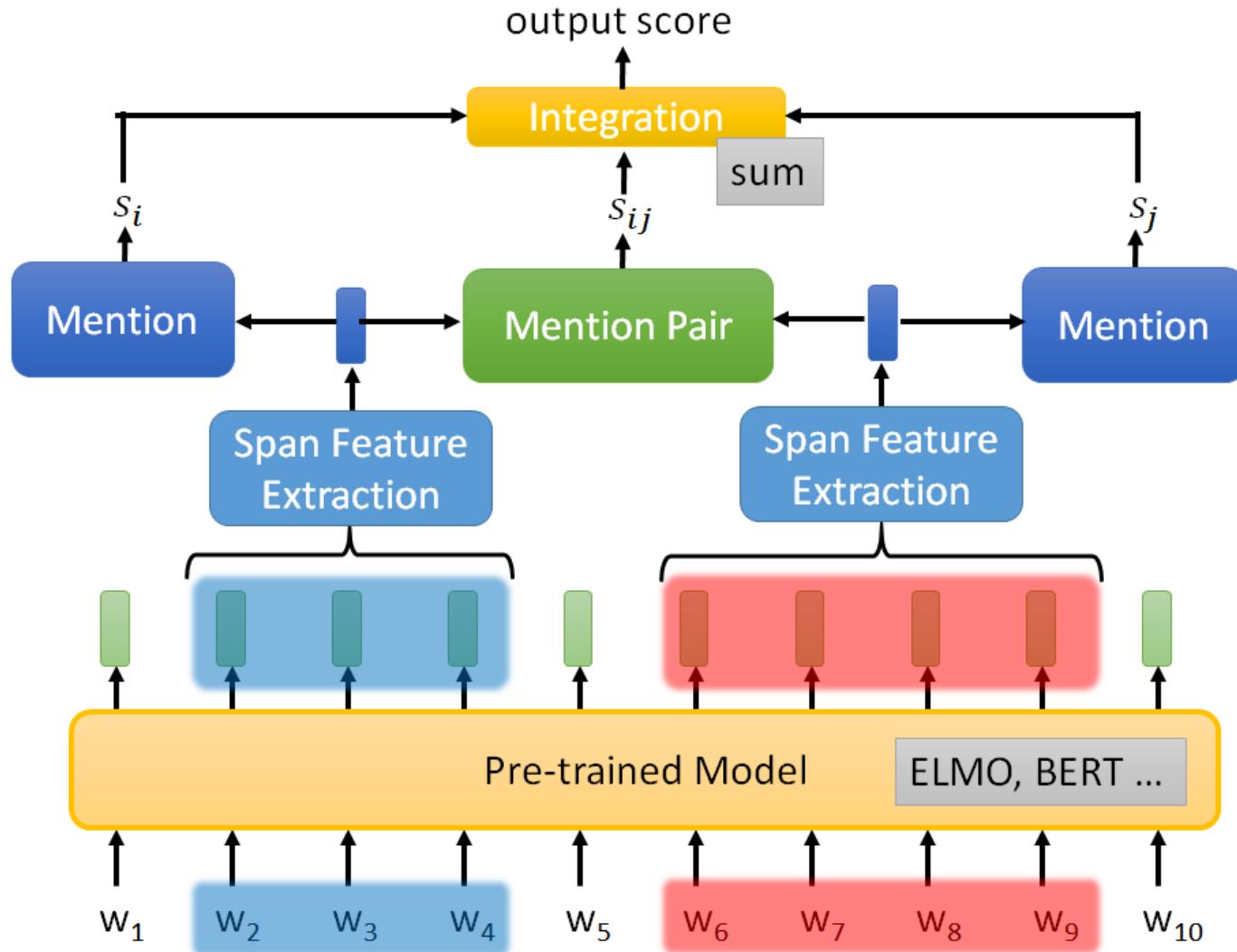
Run mention detector $N(N-1)/2$ times to score each span
Only select the K mentions with the highest scores



Practical Implementation

K<<N

The whole model is run only $K(K-1)/2$ times.



Results

1 (A fire in a Bangladeshi garment factory) has left at least 37 people dead and 100 hospitalized. Most of the deceased were killed in the crush as workers tried to flee (the blaze) in the four-story building.

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2 We are looking for (a region of central Italy bordering the Adriatic Sea). (The area) is mostly mountainous and includes Mt. Corno, the highest peak of the Apennines. (It) also includes a lot of sheep, good clean-living, healthy sheep, and an Italian entrepreneur has an idea about how to make a little money of them.

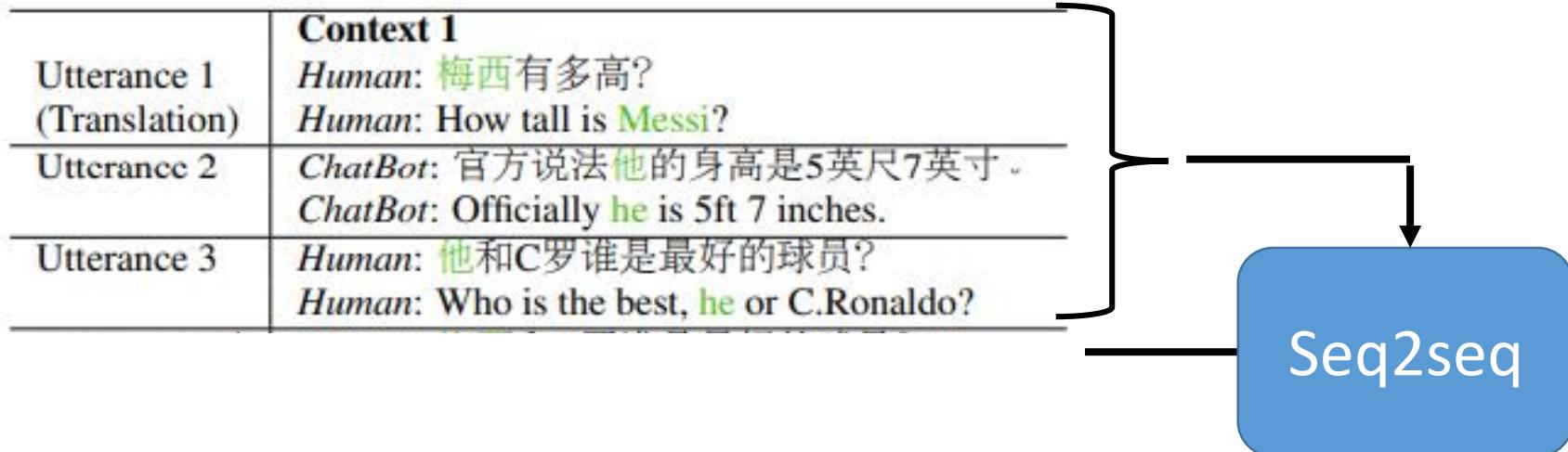
3 (The flight attendants) have until 6:00 today to ratify labor concessions. (The pilots') union and ground crew did so yesterday.

4 (Prince Charles and his new wife Camilla) have jumped across the pond and are touring the United States making (their) first stop today in New York. It's Charles' first opportunity to showcase his new wife, but few Americans seem to care. Here's Jeanie Mowth. What a difference two decades make. (Charles and Diana) visited a JC Penney's on the prince's last official US tour. Twenty years later here's the prince with his new wife.

Seq2Seq?

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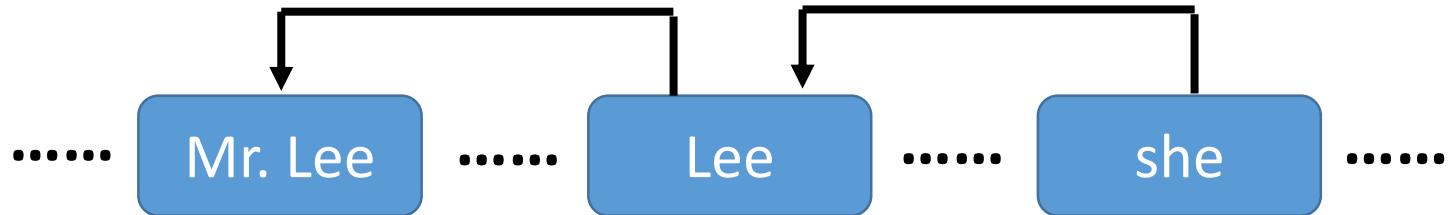
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[Su, et al., ACL'19]

Advanced Topics

Global Information



Cluster: {Mr. Lee, Lee, she} Contradiction!

[Lee, et al., NAACL'18] [Kantor, et al., ACL'19]

Unsupervised

[Kocijan, et al., EMNLP'19]

Gina arrives and she is furious with Denise for not protecting Jody from Kingsley, as MASK was meant to be the parent.

Using pre-train model to fill-in the blank.

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