Data Augmentation for ML-driven Data **Preparation and Integration**

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(Many) Research challenges in Data Integration, KB, and NLP

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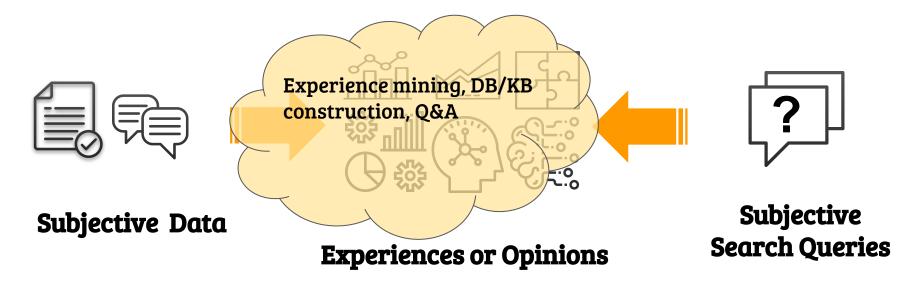


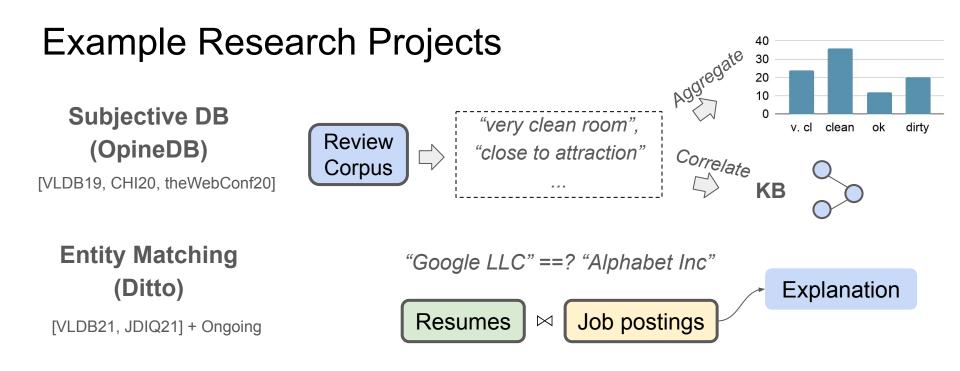
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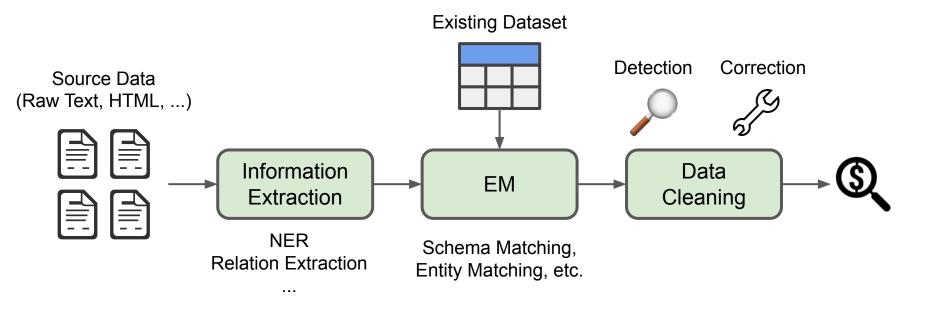




KBs / QA

Q: What are some common benefits for Cashiers of Walmart? A: 401K, Health Insurance, product discount, ...

An end-to-end workflow of Data Preparation & Integration



ML, especially DL, achieves promising results in every step

Machine (Deep) Learning contributes a lot to the success of these projects

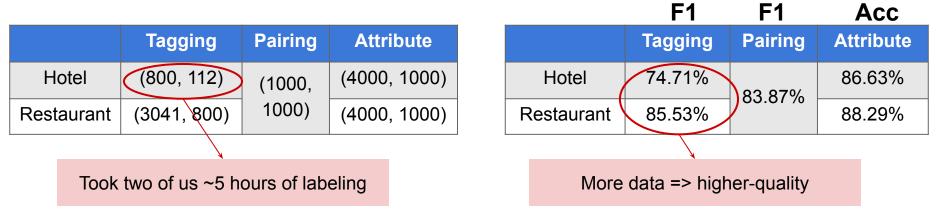
... when there is sufficient training data

(e.g., ImageNet: 14M; SquAD2.0: 150K)



Challenge: need more labels

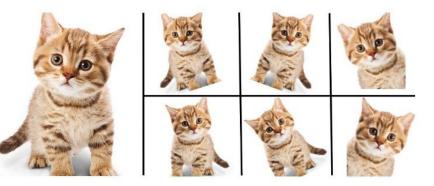
• Datasets for training an opinion extraction pipeline:



- How to collect more high-quality training examples?
 - Domain Expertise: not scalable
 - **Crowd-sourcing:** expensive (thousands of \$), noisy labels, etc.

Data Augmentation (DA)

- Data transformation for generating additional training example
- DA In computer vision:



Invariance property

• **DA In NLP**: word deletion, synonym replacement etc.

We have seen success stories of applying DA to Data Management

In this tutorial:

- Part I: DA for Data Management (Xiaolan Wang)
 - EM, Cleaning, schema matching, Information extraction (sequence tagging)
 - Deep learning for Data Preparation and Integration
 - Data augmentation operators
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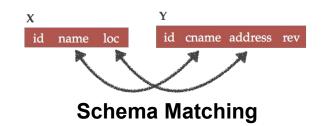
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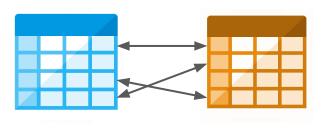
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Data management tasks





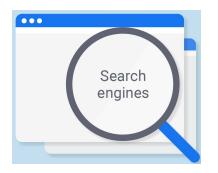




Entity Matching

Information Extraction

- Extracting structured information from unstructured or semi-structured data sources.
 - Named entity recognition
 - Relation extraction
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Enrich Search Results





Improve Reading Comprehension

Support Various Products

alexa

VolframAlpha



Problem definition (Named Entity Recognition)

For example:

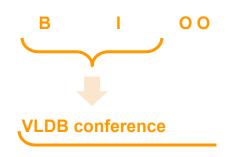
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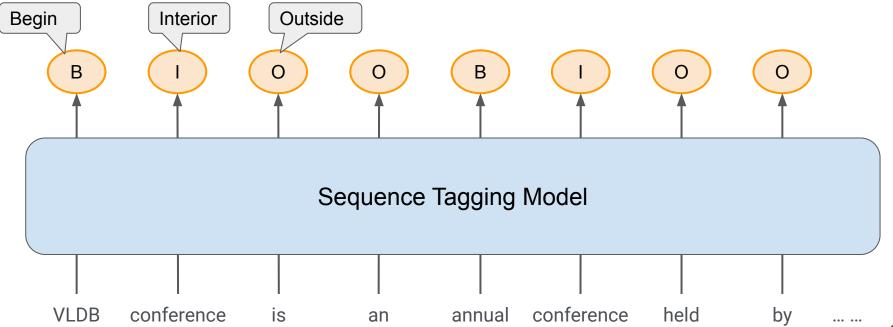
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Machine learning-based solutions

• Machine learning can be used to solve information extraction problem.



Data Cleaning

- Identify & correct erroneous data.
 - Error detection
 - Error correction





The Pennsylvania Department of Health says a data collection error wrongly added about 500,000 total COVID vaccine shots to the state's reporting system.

It came after DOH staff were trying to link first and second doses to individuals in each county.

At a local level, the number of people with at least one shot of the vaccine in Butler County nearly dropped by 50 percent.

Last week the data showed that over 10,000 county residents were at least partially vaccinated, but now that number sits at just shy of 6,000. The number of fully vaccinated individuals in the county is still over 91,000.



Problem definition

- Input: a cell in a database
- Output: whether the cell is correct or not.

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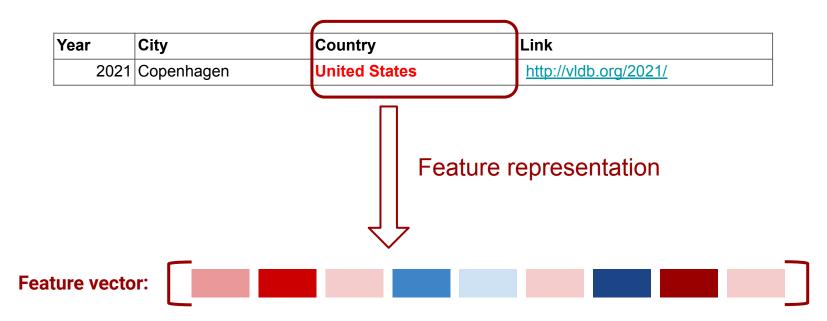
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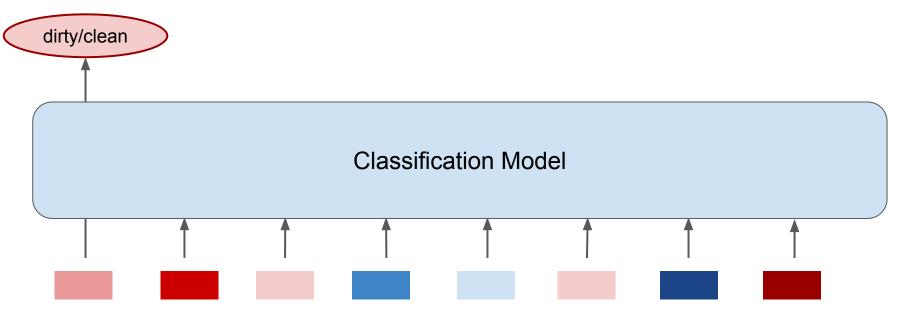
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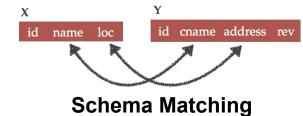
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Schema Matching

- Schema Matching focuses on finding the correspondence among schema elements in two semantically correlated schema.
 - Input: a column A from the source db and a column B from the target db.
 Output: whether column A matches to column B

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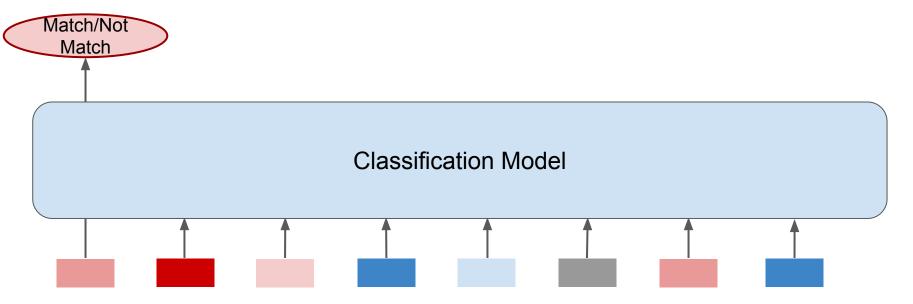
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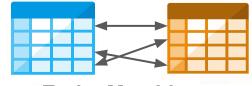
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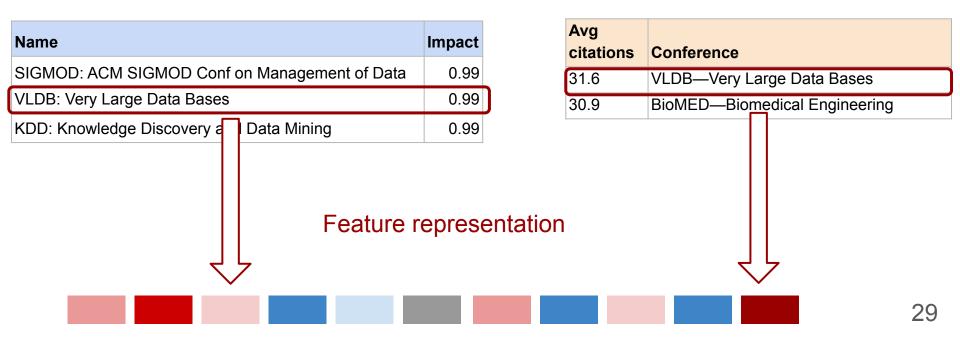
- Entity Matching, a.k.a., record linkage and entity resolution, is the problem of identifying records that refer to the same real-world entity.
 - Input: a pair of tuples

Output: whether they refer to the same entity or not.

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| ICDT: Intl Conf on Database Theory | 0.97 | 7 | 30.6 30.1 | CRYPTO—International Crytology Conference |
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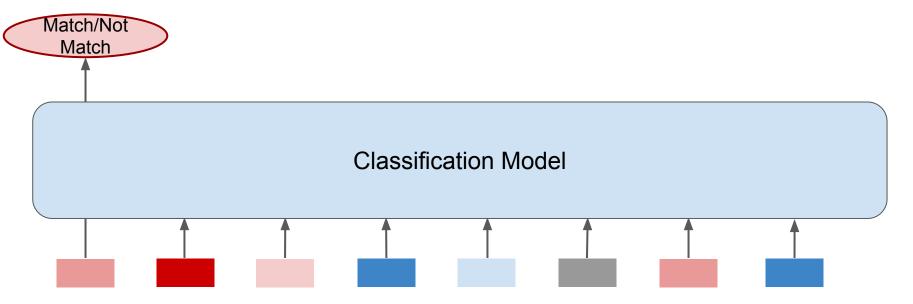
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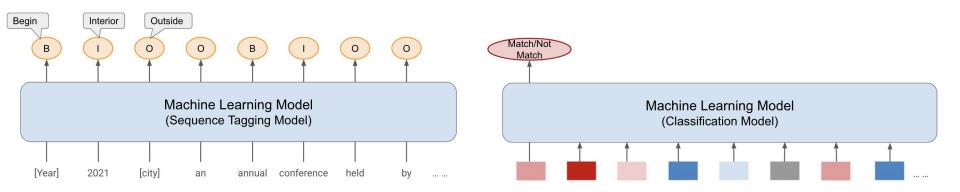


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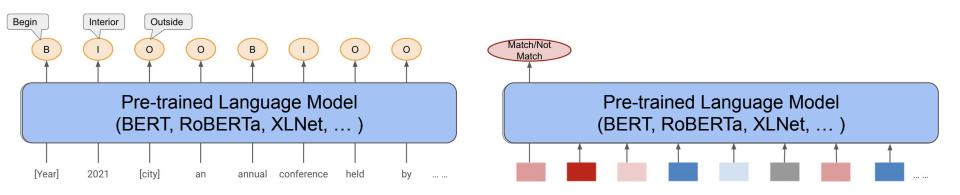
Machine Learning for Data Management tasks



Sequence Tagging Task

Sequence (pair) Classification Task

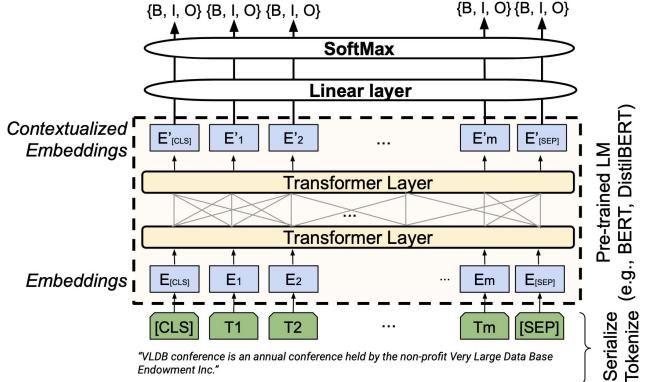
Pre-trained LM for Data Management tasks



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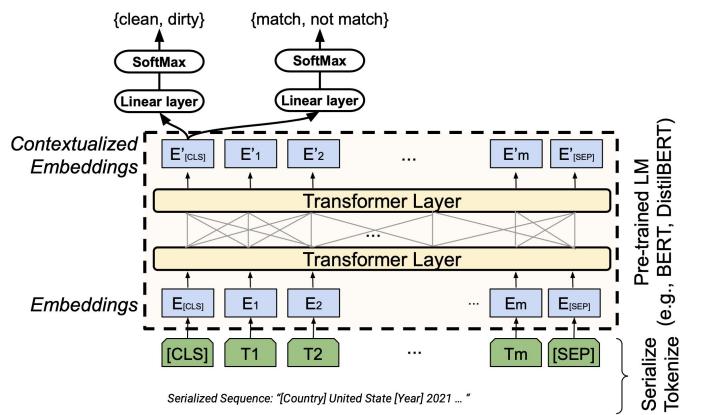
Sequence (pair) Classification Task

Architecture: fine-tuning LMs (Sequence Tagging)



Devlin, Jacob, et al. "Bert: Pre-training of deep bidirectional transformers for language understanding." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1810.04805* (2018).

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Basic DA operators for NLP

• Word replacement (**TR**)

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• Word insertion (**INS**)

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• Word deletion (**DEL**)

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Basic DA operators [Snippext]

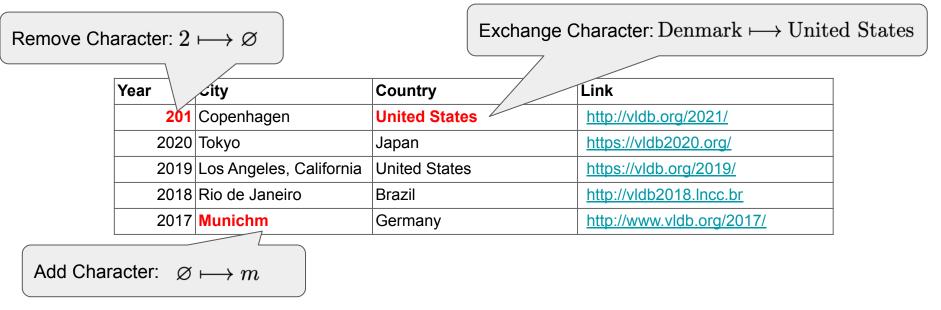
| TR | Replace non-target token with a new token. | |
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| INS | Insert before or after a non-target token with a new token. | Takan laval |
| DEL | Delete a <u>non-target</u> token. | Token-level |
| SW | Swap two <u>non-target</u> tokens. | I |
| SPR | Replace a target span with a new span. | Span-level |

"Snippext achieves SOTA results in multiple opinion mining tasks with **only half the amount of training data** used by SOTA techniques." -- Snippext

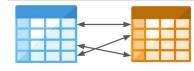


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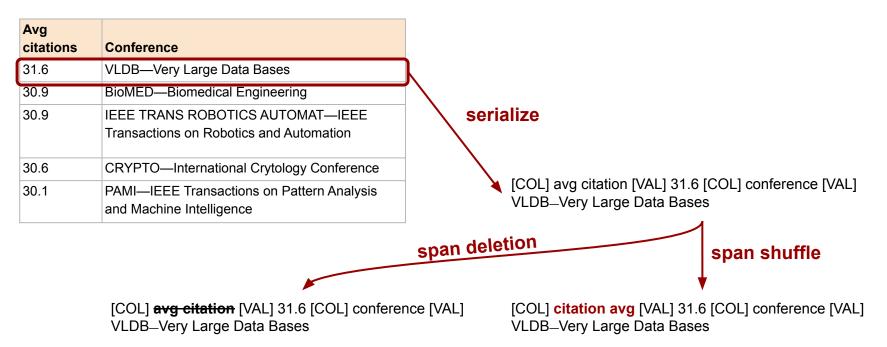
Tries to learn three different DA transformations (operators):



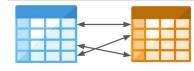
"We show that data augmentation yields an average improvement of **20 F1 points** while it requires access to **3× fewer labeled examples** compared to other ML approaches." -- HoloDetect



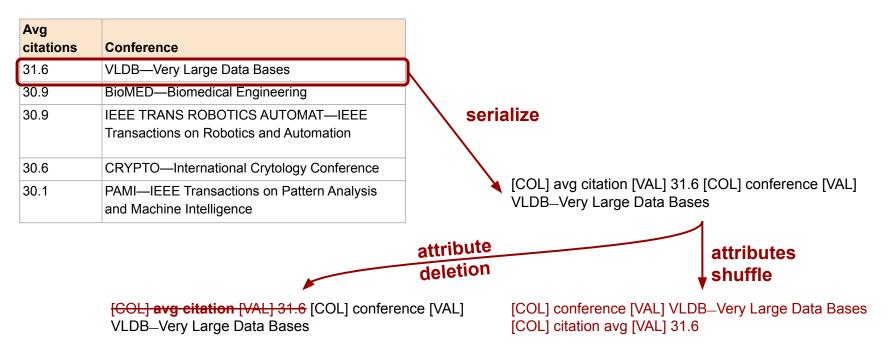
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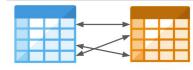
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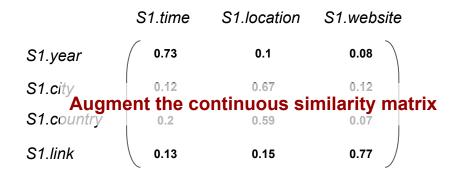
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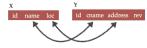
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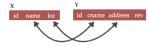


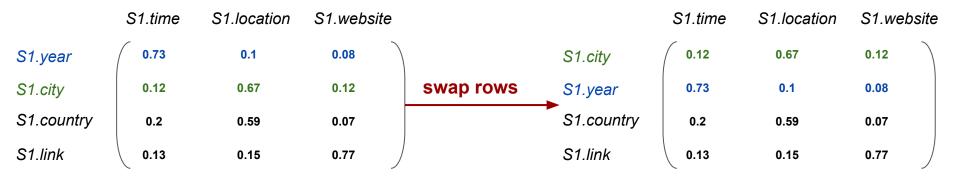
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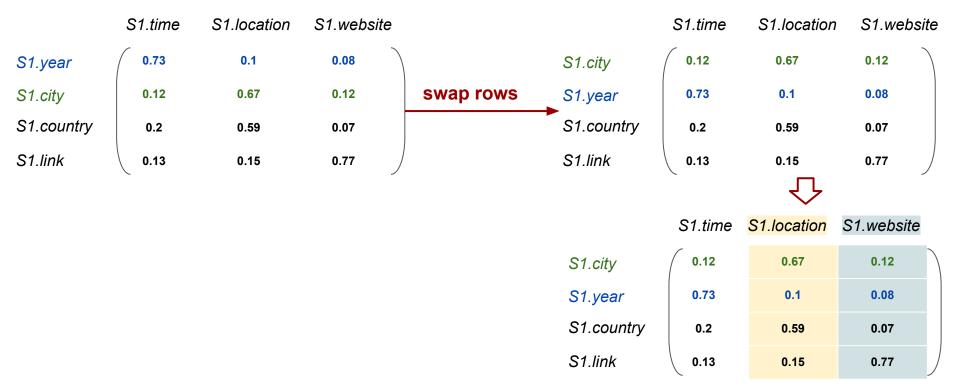
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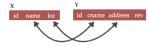


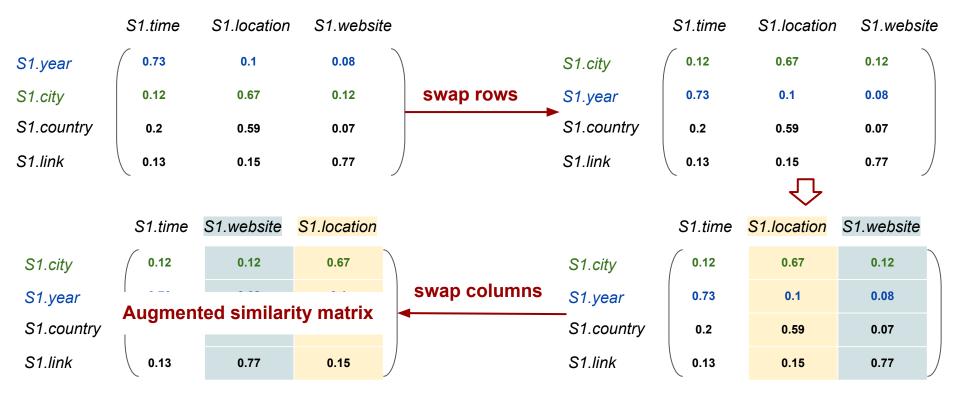






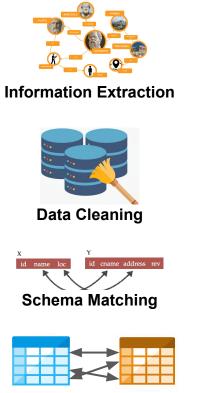
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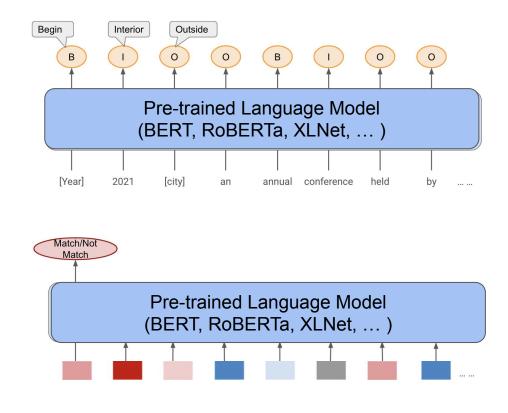


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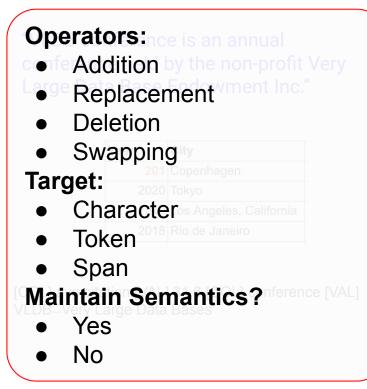
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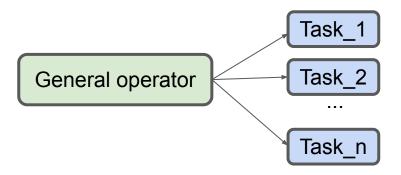
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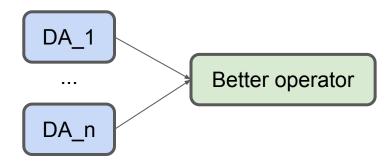
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Advanced DA

Operators applicable to multiple tasks:



Optimize task-specific DA operators:



We will present:

Interpolation-based DA

Generation-based DA

Learned DA

Interpolation-based DA

- Instead of transforming a single example, combine two (or more) into a new one
- In computer vision:



Intuition:

The model should make smooth transition between the two classes

The Mixup Operator

- Randomly sample two examples: (x1, y1) and (x2, y2):
 - Sample λ from a Beta distribution, e.g., **Beta(0.2, 0.2)**

$$\lambda \sim \text{Beta}(0.2, 0.2)$$

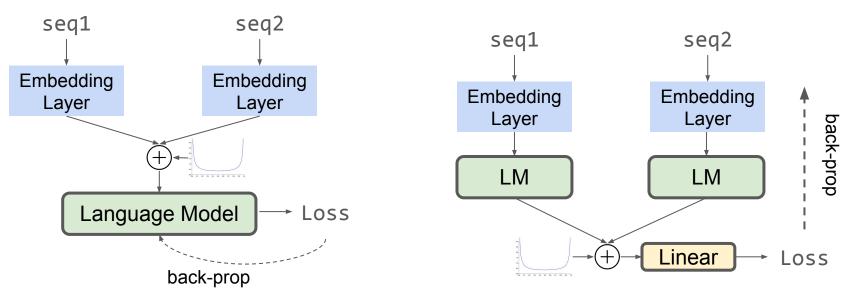
$$x^{\prime} = \lambda \times 1 + (1 - \lambda) \times 2$$

$$y^{\prime} = \lambda \times 1 + (1 - \lambda) \times 2$$
Train the model with (x², y²)

In CV: improve generalization, robustness against noisy or adversarial examples

How about sequence data?

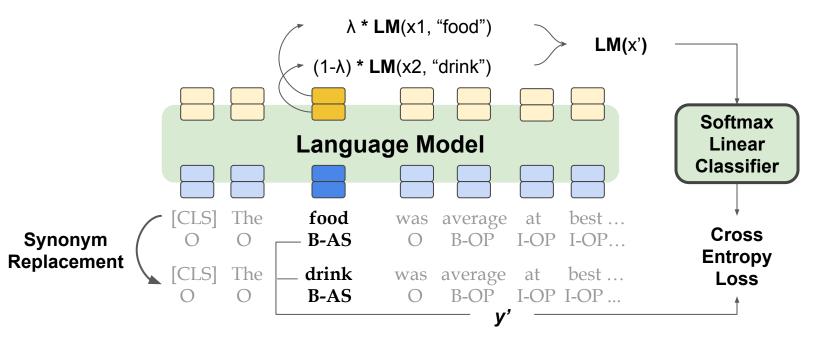
- Unlike images, textual / tabular data cannot be interpolated directly
- Idea: interpolate sequence representations instead



Guo, Hongyu et al.. "Augmenting data with mixup for sentence classification: An empirical study." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1905.08941* (2019). 53

MixDA: Augment and Interpolate

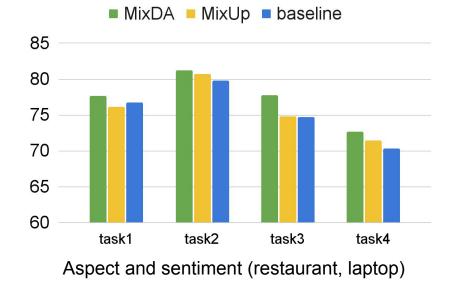
- Interpolate the original sequence with a transformed sequence
- The interpolation is in-between => less likely to have a corrupted label



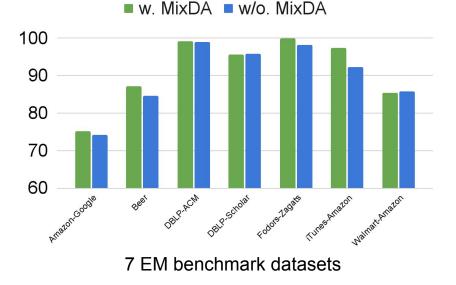
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Results of MixUp and MixDA

IE: both MixDA and MixUp are effective



EM: MixDA leads to 1.5% F1 improvement



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Generation-based DA

- Simple DA operators can generate: (1) examples with corrupted labels or
 (2) examples that are not diverse enough
 - **Original:** Where is the Orange Bowl? [Intent: Location]
 - **Replace:**Where is the Orangish Bowl?What is the Orange Bowl?[Intent: Info]?
 - **Delete:** Where is the Orange Bowl?
- Composing multiple operators:

Multiple: the Bowl ? orangish arena

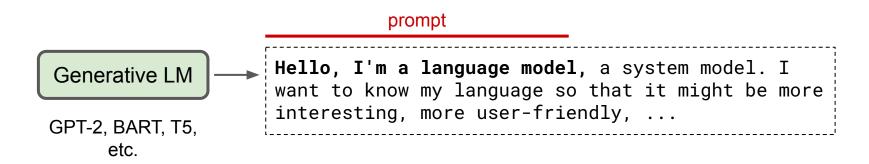
Wrong label

Not diverse

Okay

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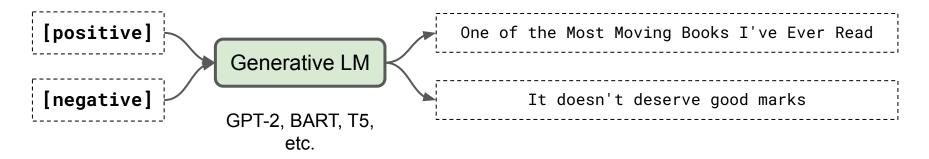
• Pre-trained generative LM can generate natural, human-like sequences



- Idea: leverage generative LMs to generate synthetic training data
- **Challenge:** how to guide the LM to generate the examples of a target class?

Conditional Generation

- Add special tokens as the prompt to guide what the LM generates
- Requires labeled data for fine-tuning

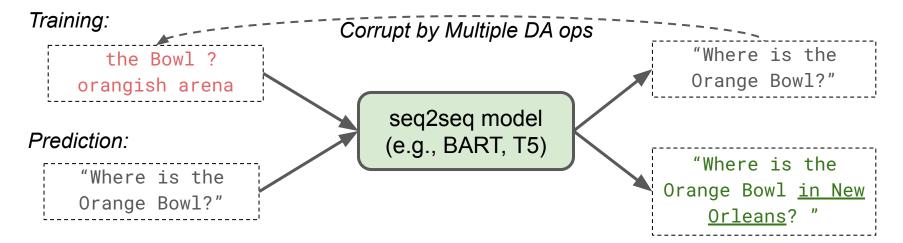


In their experiment: Pre-trained models (GPT-2 and BART) improve classification performance in the low-data setting (e.g., 50 - 100 labeled examples)

Kumar, Varun et al. "Data Augmentation using Pre-trained Transformer Models." *Proceedings of the 2nd Workshop on Life-long Learning for Spoken Language Systems*. 2020.

InvDA: Seq2seq-based DA via weak-supervision

• Train a seq2seq model to augment sequences (no labels required)



By fine-tuning, the LM learns how to add information in a natural way

Miao, Zhengjie et al.. "Rotom: A Meta-Learned Data Augmentation Framework for Entity Matching, Data Cleaning, Text Classification, and Beyond." *SIGMOD* 2021.

Examples

• Error Detection - cleaning movie data

| original | [COL] Name [VAL] The DUFF |
|----------|---|
| | [COL] Name [VAL] The DUFF (The Wrestling Wizard) |
| InvDA | [COL] Name [VAL] The DUFF: The Adventures of Lena Green |
| | [COL] Name [VAL] The Duff Boy With The Devil |

InvDA generates natural "fake" movie names

Examples (cont.)

• EM - DBLP-ACM paper matching

| original | [COL] title [VAL] effective timestamping in relational databases |
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| | [COL] title [VAL] effective timestamping in databases |
| InvDA | [COL] title [VAL] effective timestamping in database systems |
| | [COL] title [VAL] effective timestamping in open-source databases |

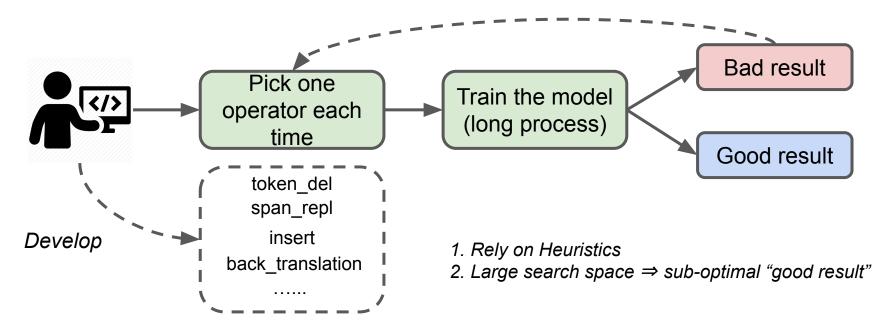
InvDA generates meaningful terms from "relational databases"

Maybe 1 more paper?

• GAN or VAE

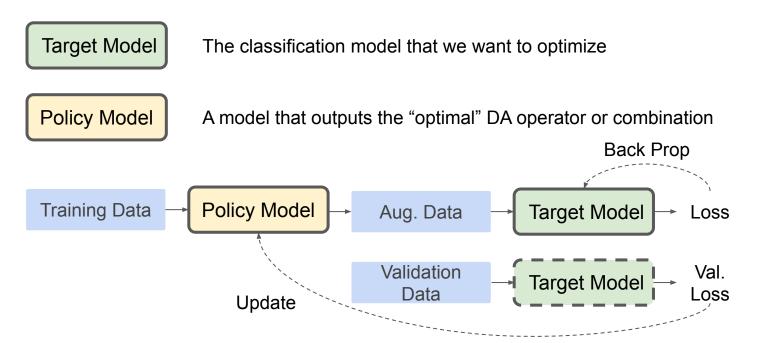
Learning-based DA: Motivation

- DA introduces a whole new set of hyperparameters for tuning
- Especially when combining multiple DA operators



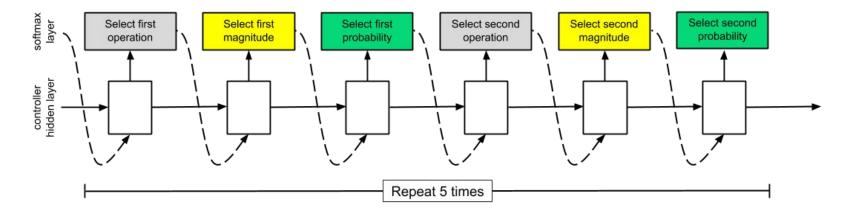
Along this line of work

- Goal: automate the process of developing DA operators and/or combinations
- Formulate as a policy training task:



Autoaugment: Learning augmentation policies

 DA policy as a RNN; optimized the RNN via reinforcement learning to improve the target model's performance

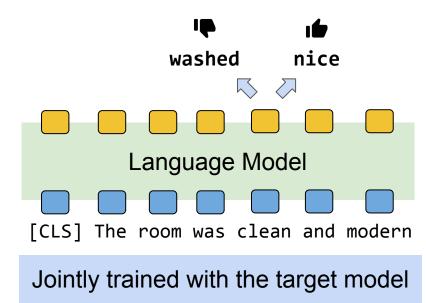


Main challenge: the RNN model is very expensive to train (100x of GPU hours)

Cubuk, Ekin D., et al. "Autoaugment: Learning augmentation policies from data." *CVPR 2019* Zoph, Barret, et al. "Learning transferable architectures for scalable image recognition." CVPR 2018 Lim, Sungbin, et al. "Fast autoaugment." *NeurIPS 2019*

Learning task-specific transformations

• Learn replacement / insertion by jointly fine-tuning a LM with the target model



| TEXT: Although visually striking and slickly staged, it's also cold, grey, antiseptic and emotionally desiccated. | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|------------|---------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| LABEL: <i>negative</i> | | | | | | | |
| epoch 1 | epoch 3 | epoch 1 | epoch 3 | | | | |
| stunning | sharp | taboo | bitter | 1 ਰ ਰ | | | |
| bland | charming | dark | goofy | higher probability | | | |
| fantastic | heroism | negative | slow | er abili | | | |
| dazzling | demanding | misleading | trivial | ity | | | |
| lively | revealing | messy | dry | | | | |

HoloDetect: learn data transformation for data cleaning

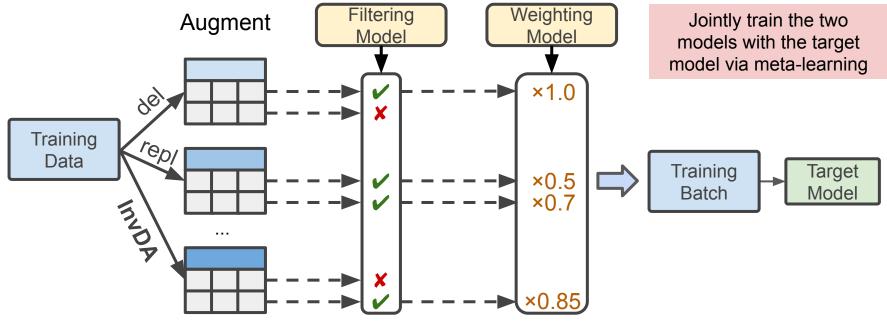
- **Goal:** learn how to inject noise to clean data to obtain more training examples
- Learn how to transform a cell value (represented by a string)
- Learn the distribution of 3 types of transformations:

Add character Remove character Exchange characters

In the paper: DA yields an average improvement of **20 F1 points**; requires **3x** fewer labeled examples compared to other ML approaches

Rotom: combine examples from multiple operators

• Leverage meta-learning to select and combine examples from any operators

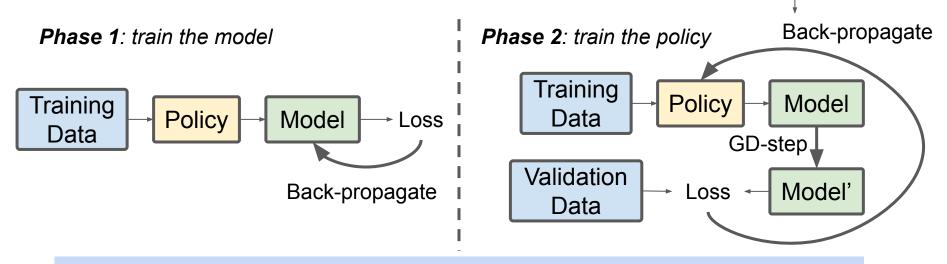


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A two-phase training algorithm

Need to estimate the 2nd-order gradient

• Jointly trains the policy models and the target model

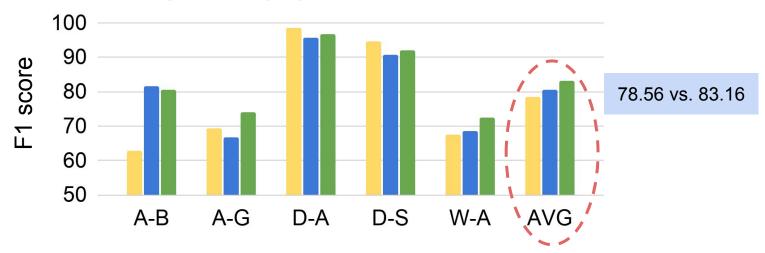


Train the DA policy such that the target model performs well on the v. set

Li, Yonggang, et al. "DADA: Differentiable Automatic Data Augmentation." arXiv preprint arXiv:2003.03780 (2020). 69

Results on Entity Matching (EM)

• **DeepMatcher [SIGMOD18]** is a previous SOTA trained on the full datasets



DeepMatcher (full) InvDA Rotom+SSL

Rotom outperforms the previous SOTA by 4.6 F1 with only 6.4% of labels

Outline

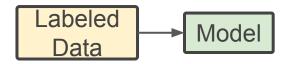
- Part I: DA for Data Management (Xiaolan Wang)
 - EM, Cleaning, schema matching, Information extraction (sequence tagging)
 - Deep learning for Data Preparation and Integration
 - Data augmentation operators
- Part II: Advanced DA (Yuliang Li)
 - Interpolation (MixUp, MixDA, and follow-up)
 - Generation (Conditional generation, GAN, InvDA)
 - Learned DA policy (AutoDA, HoloDetect, meta-learning e.g., Rotom,)
- Part III: Connection with other learning paradigms (Zhengjie Miao)
 - Semi-supervised learning (DA used as consistency regularization)
 - active learning (used together with DA for better sampling)
 - Weak-supervision (use weak-supervision for DA)
 - Representation learning for relational data (DA in pre-training tasks)

Beyond Supervised-learning

- DA for Semi-supervised learning
- DA for Active learning
- Weak-supervision for DA
- DA for Representation learning / Representation learning for DA

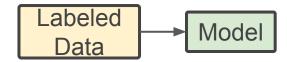
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- Fully Supervised
 - Training data: (data, label), predict label for unseen data points



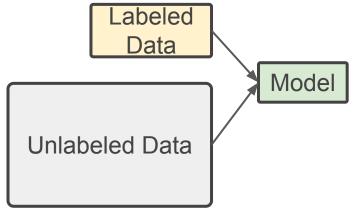
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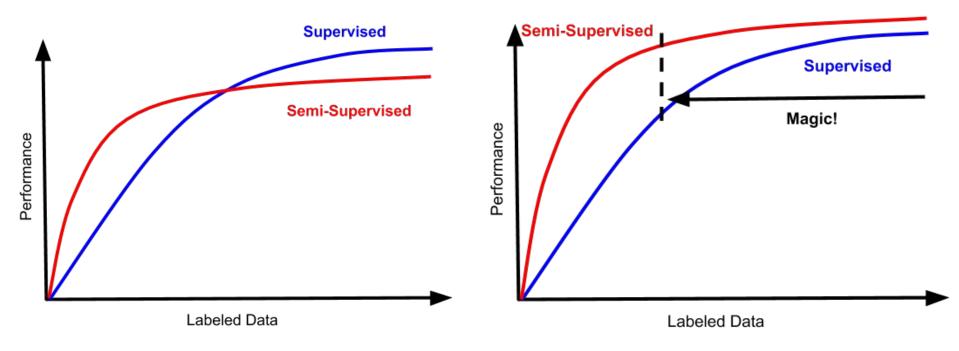
- Training data: Labeled (data, label) + unlabeled (data)
- Leverage the large collection of unlabeled data
- Reduce the labelling cost (same goal as DA)



Semi-Supervised Learning

- Examples in data management tasks
 - Relation extraction
 - [Carlson et al. 2010] adapts semi-supervised multitask learning and injects domain knowledge;
 - [Hu et al. 2020] uses pseudo-labeling
 - Entity Matching
 - [Kejriwal and Miranker 2015] uses ensemble learning to predict confidence scores

Semi-Supervised Learning



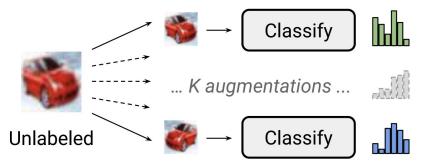
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Consistency Training

- In supervised learning: label should be invariant to small noise/transformations
 - Often use DA to achieve it

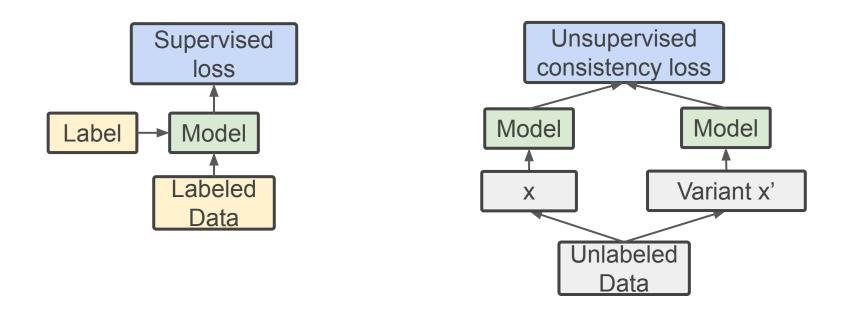


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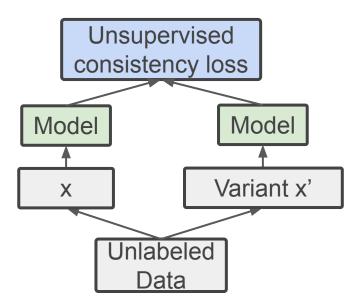
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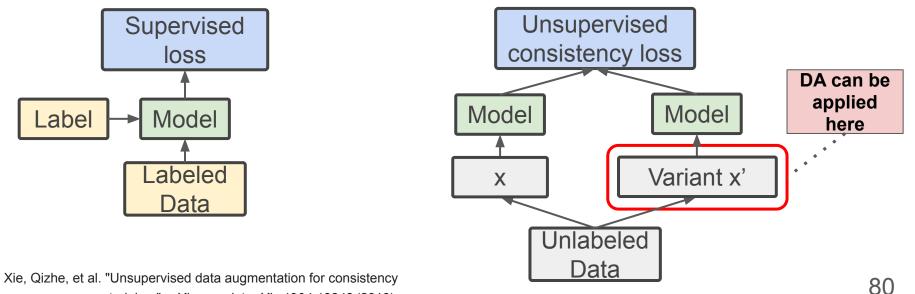
Consistency Training

- In semi-supervised learning: model outputs for all augmentations are similar
- Minimizing the divergence between the model output distributions
 - $_{\circ} \quad D(p_{ heta}(y|x)||p_{ heta}(y|aug(x)))$
 - E.g. Cross-entropy loss



DA in Semi-Supervised Learning

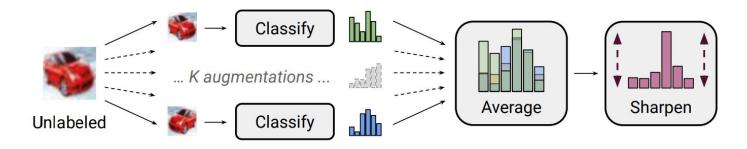
Unsupervised data augmentation (UDA)



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DA for Semi-Supervised Learning

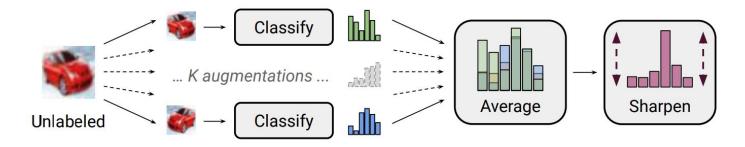
- MixMatch [Berthelot et al. 2019]
 - \circ L, U \rightarrow L*, U* (augment both labeled and unlabeled examples)
 - Guess labels for U* by computing the average classed distributions across different U*



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DA for Semi-Supervised Learning

- MixMatch [Berthelot et al. 2019]
 - Apply MixUp to pair of examples from either (L*, L*), unlabeled (L*, U*), or (U*, U*)
 - Ask the model to make consistent predictions on different augmented U*

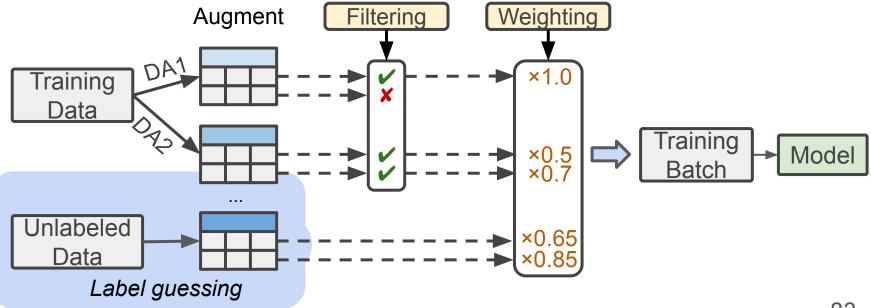


In their experiment: MixMatch achieves 90% accuracy on CIFAR-10 with only 250 examples (66% for the next-best-performing model)

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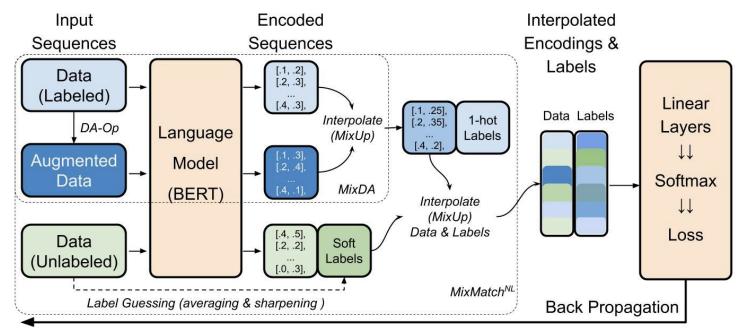
DA in Semi-Supervised Learning

- Rotom [Miao et al. 2021]
 - Selects and combines examples generated by multiple DA ops



DA for Semi-Supervised Learning

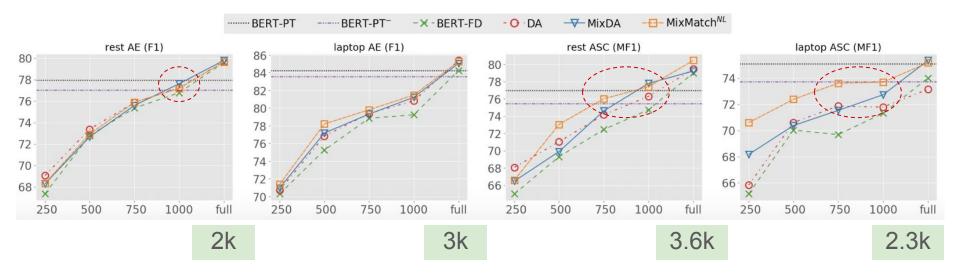
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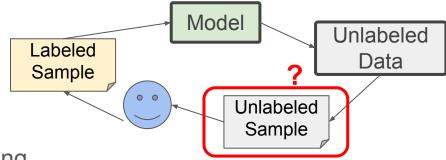
DA for Semi-Supervised Learning

 Reach/outperform previous results with only 1/2 to 1/3 of data on opinion mining tasks



Active Learning

- A special case of semi-supervised learning
 - Iteratively asks the user to label a few unlabeled examples



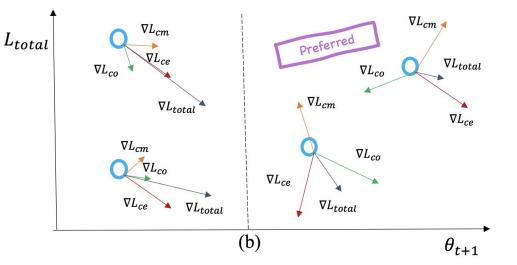
- Uncertainty sampling
 - Identify most informative unlabeled examples for users to label
 - Common approaches: least confidence / smallest margin of confidence / entropy

Active Learning

- Popular in data management tasks to reduce the labelling budgets
 - Entity matching
 - [Kasai et al. 2019] combines transfer learning and active learning; samples both uncertain examples and high-confidence examples
 - [Jain et al. 2021] leverages LM for both blocker and matcher for more effective sampling
 - Error detection
 - Raha [Mahdavi et al. 2019] ensembles multiple error detection models to obtain feature vectors for clustering-based representative value selection

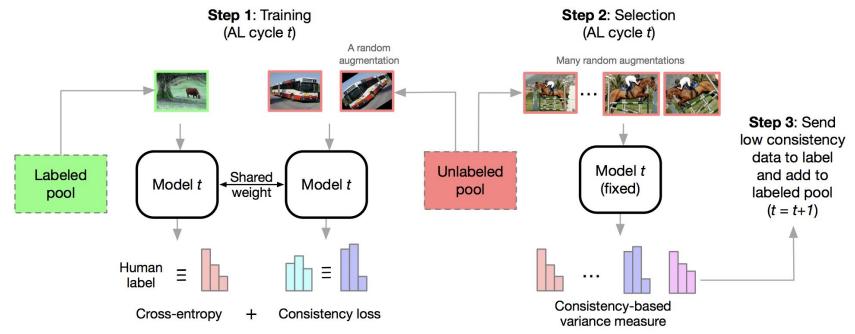
DA for Active Learning

- DA for uncertainty sampling [Hong et al. 2020]
 - For an unlabeled example x, generate K augmented examples x_1, ..., x_K
 - Uncertainty = mean distance between or variance of the model's inference results of every pair of (x_i, x_j)



DA for Active Learning

• DA for uncertainty sampling [Gao et al. 2020]

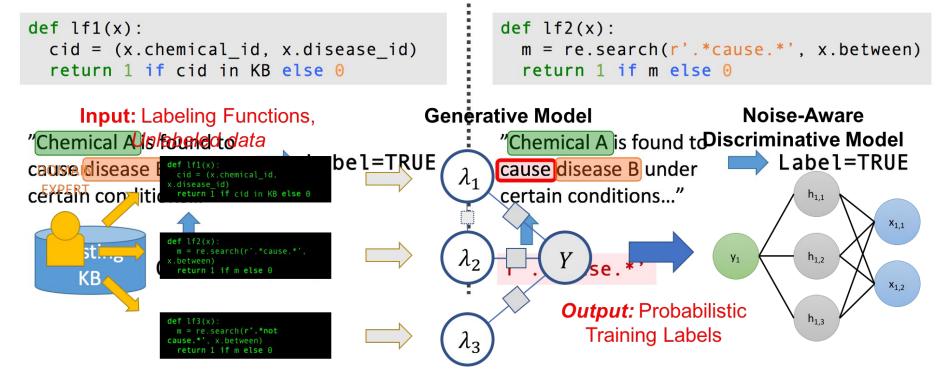


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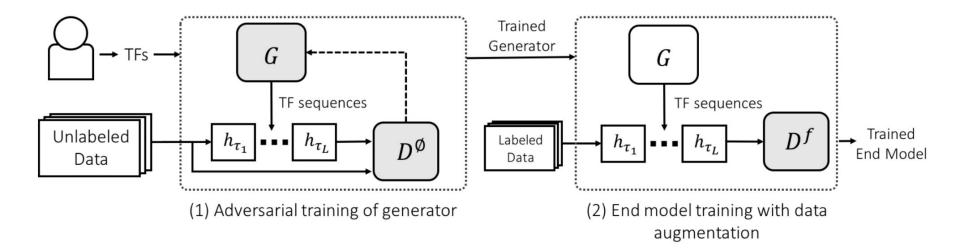
Weak-supervision

- Use noisy sources to provide supervision signal for unlabeled data
 - External knowledge bases, crowd-sourcing, user-defined heuristics, etc.
 - Data programming: users provide programs (labeling functions) that labels a subset of the unlabeled data

Weak-supervision



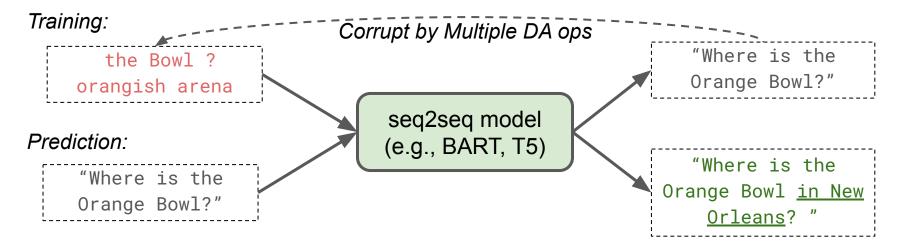
Weak-supervision for DA: Snorkel



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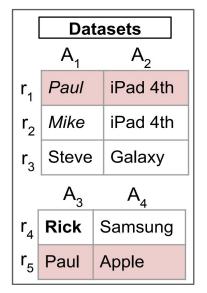
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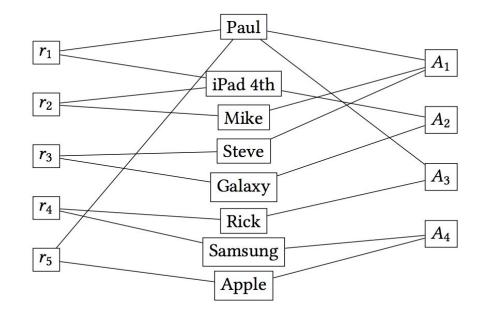
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- Pre-trained language representations are shown to be effective in data integration/preparation tasks (Word2Vec, fastText, BERT...)
- However, it fails to encode
 - Structure information in relational data
 - Semantics about entities

How to further improve representation learning for relational data?

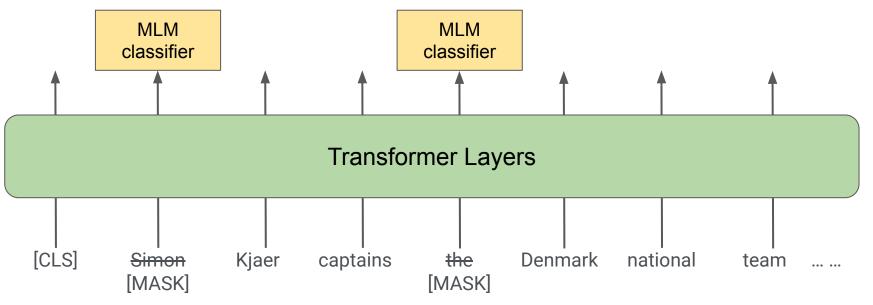
- Through graph embedding
 - EmbDI





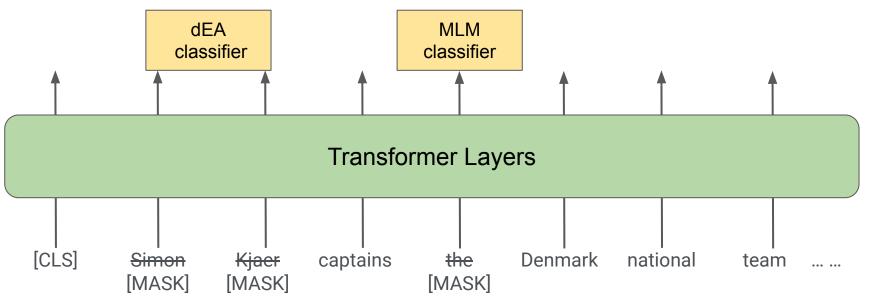
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- Knowledge-enhanced Pre-trained LM
 - Recap: Masked language model in BERT



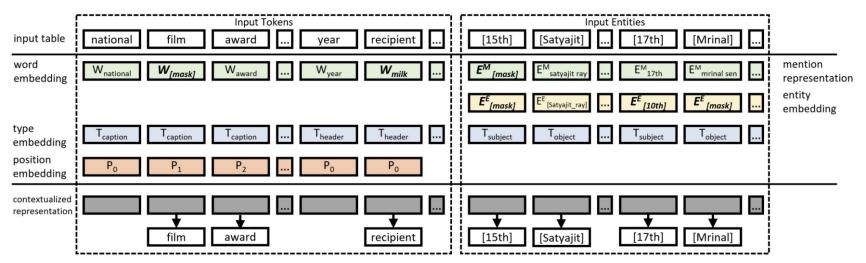
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- Knowledge-enhanced Pre-trained LM
 - Denoising Entity Autoencoder [ERNIE, Zhang et al. 2019]



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- Joint representation for NL and relational data
 - TURL [Deng et al. 2020]
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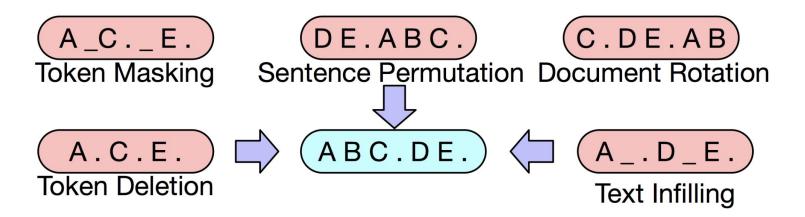
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 - ii. Similar to dEA --- Masked Entity Recovery
 - iii. Masked self-attention: token/entity can only attend to its directly connected neighbors



- Joint representation for NL and relational data
 - TURL [Deng et al. 2020]
 - Separate input embedding for table metadata and table content
 - Similar to dEA --- Masked Entity Recovery
 - Generalizes well to 6 table understanding tasks and substantially outperforms existing methods
- Heated topic!
 - TURL [Deng et al. 2020], TaBERT [Yin et al. 2020], TAPAS [Herzig et al. 2020]
 - RPT [Tang et al. 2021], TUTA [Wang et al. 2021], TABBIE [lida et al. 2021] ...

DA for Representation Learning

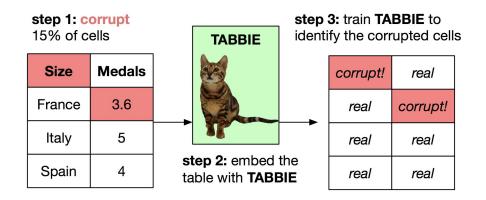
- Denoising [BART, Lewis et al. 2020]
 - Corrupt the text with arbitrary transformations
 - The model learns to reconstruct the original text



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DA for Representation Learning

- Design space for relational data
 - TABBIE [lida et al. 2021]: corrupt cell detection



(a) original table

| Rank | Country | Gold |
|------|---------|------|
| 1 | France | 9 |
| 2 | Italy | 5 |
| 3 | Spain | 4 |

(b) sample cells from other tables

| Rank | Size | Gold |
|------|--------|------|
| 1 | France | 3.6 |
| 2 | Italy | 5 |
| 3 | Spain | 4 |

(c) swap cells on the same row $% \left(d\right) =\left(d\right) \left(d\right) \left$

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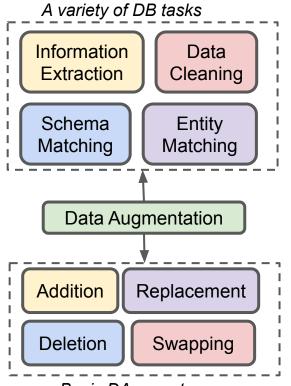
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Representation Learning for DA

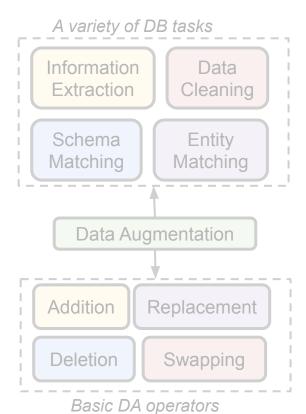
- Pre-trained LMs provides effective text data augmentation
 - Learned token replacement [Hu et al. 2019]
 - Conditional generation [Kumar et al. 2020]
 - InvDA [Miao et al. 2021]
- Opportunities with DA using pre-trained models for relational data
 - E.g. cell value prediction, row population

Conclusion

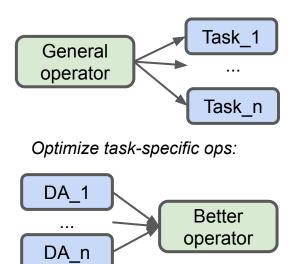


Basic DA operators

Conclusion

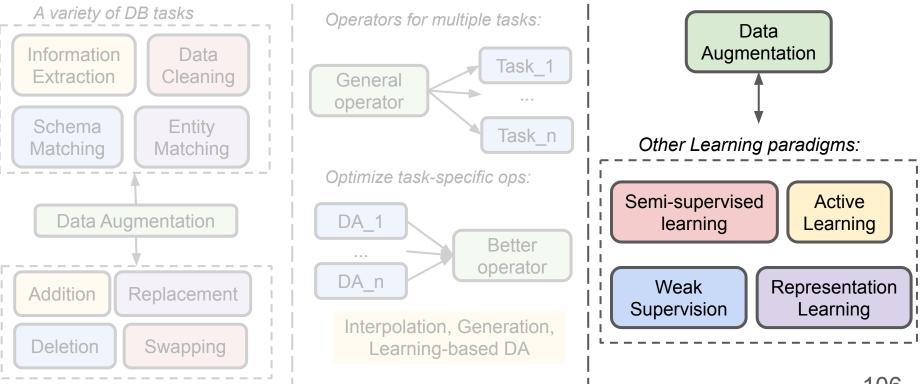


Operators for multiple tasks:



Interpolation, Generation, Learning-based DA

Conclusion



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