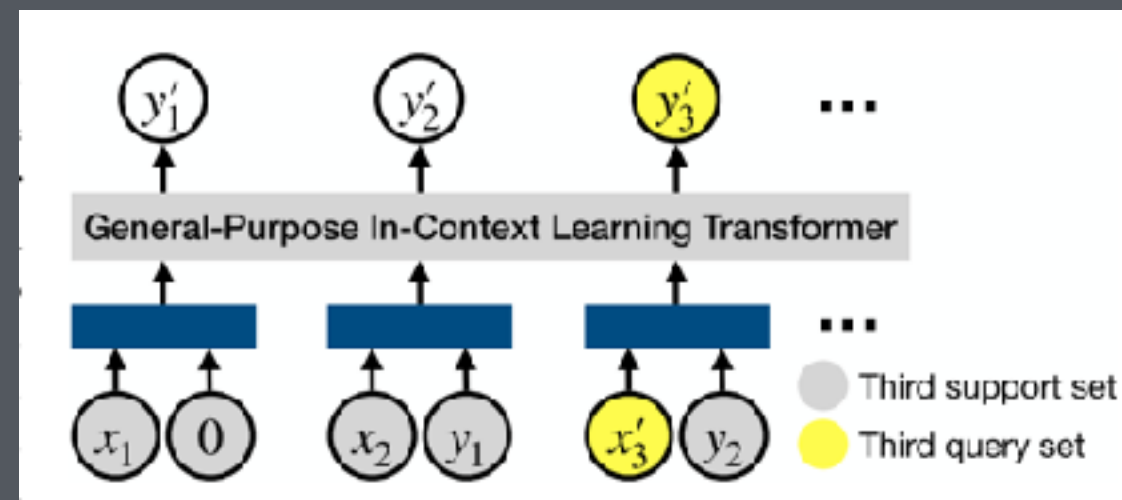
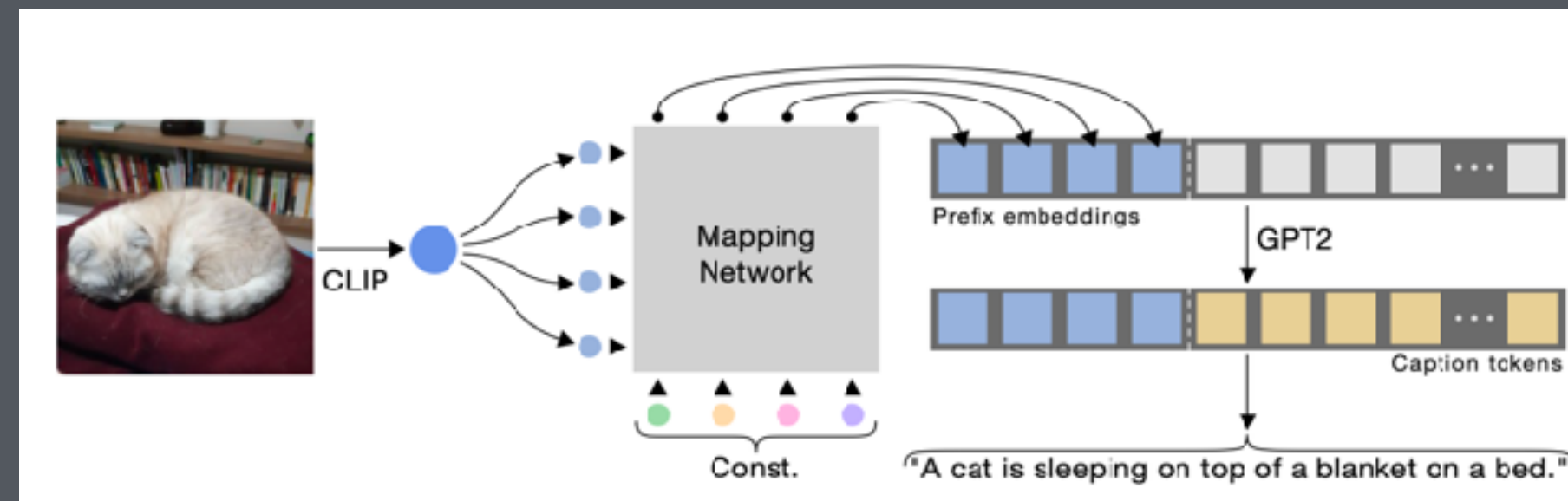
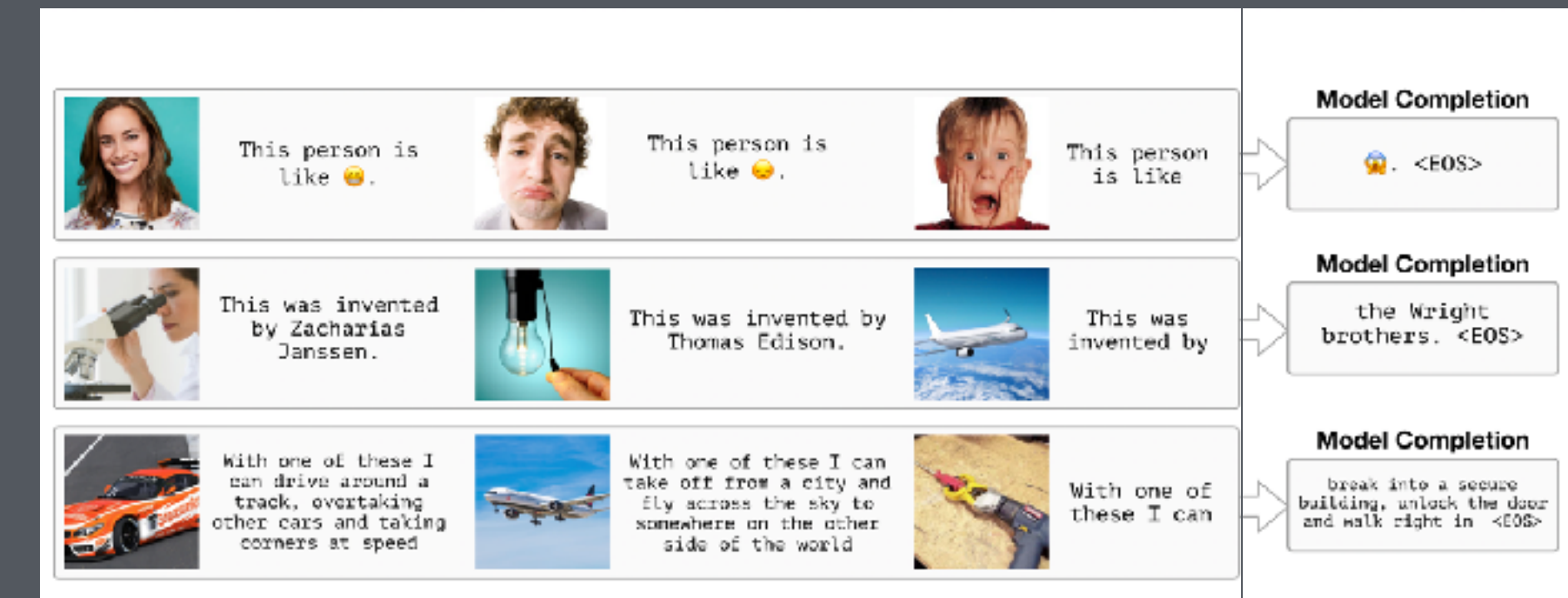
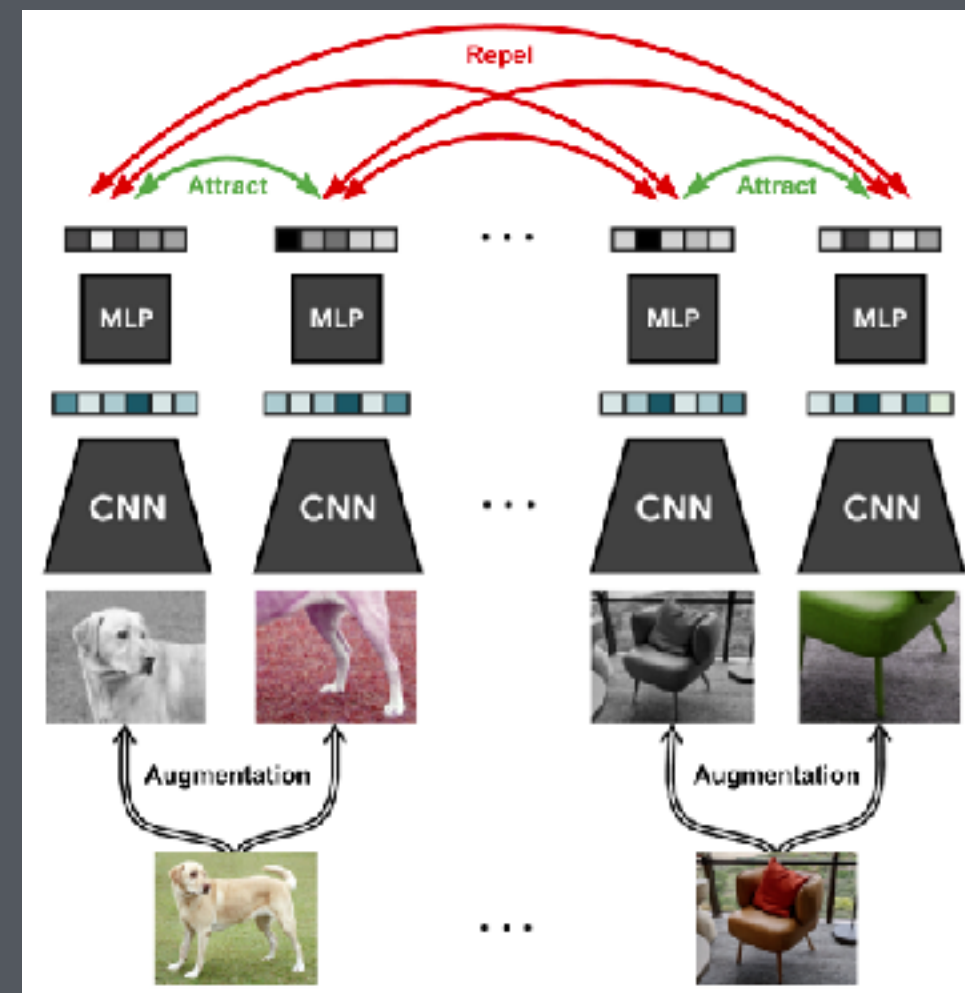
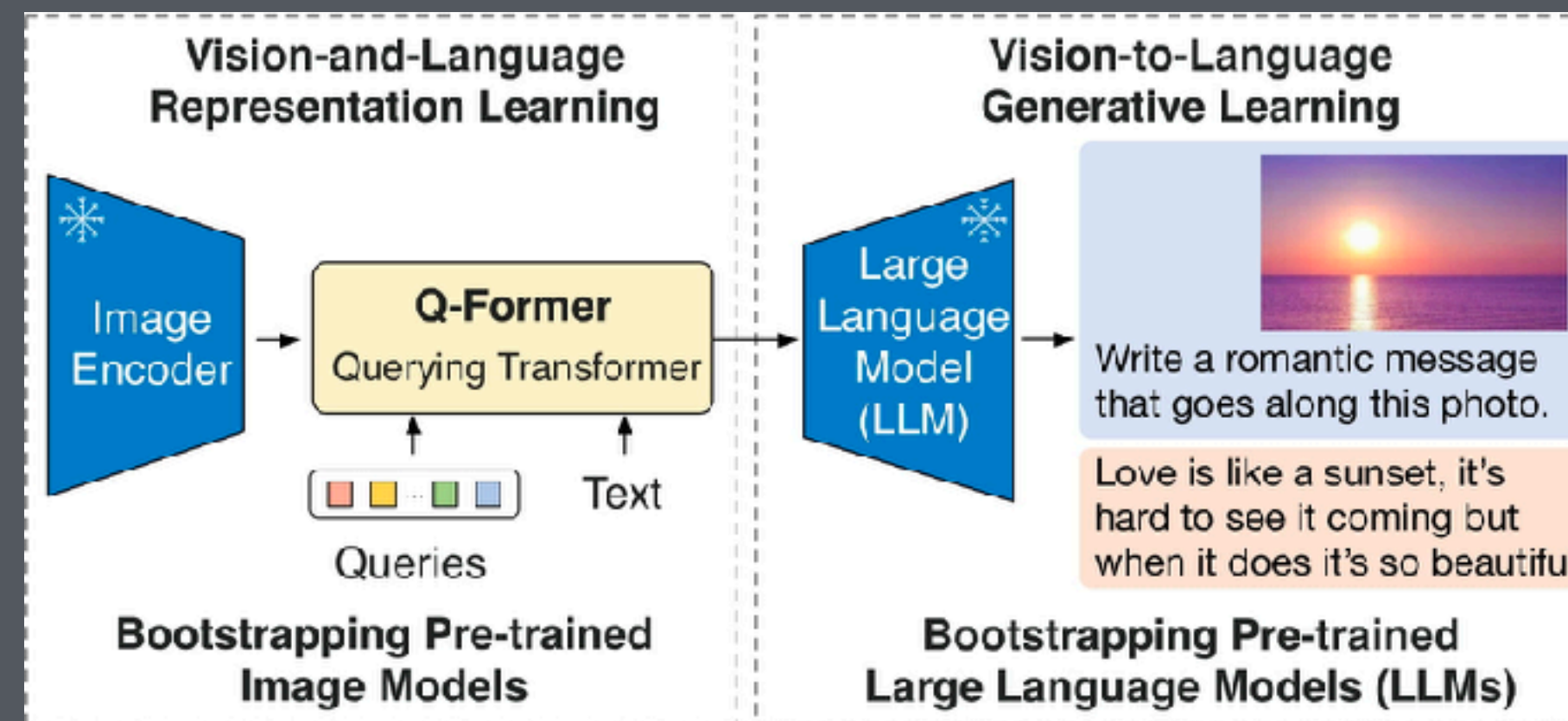
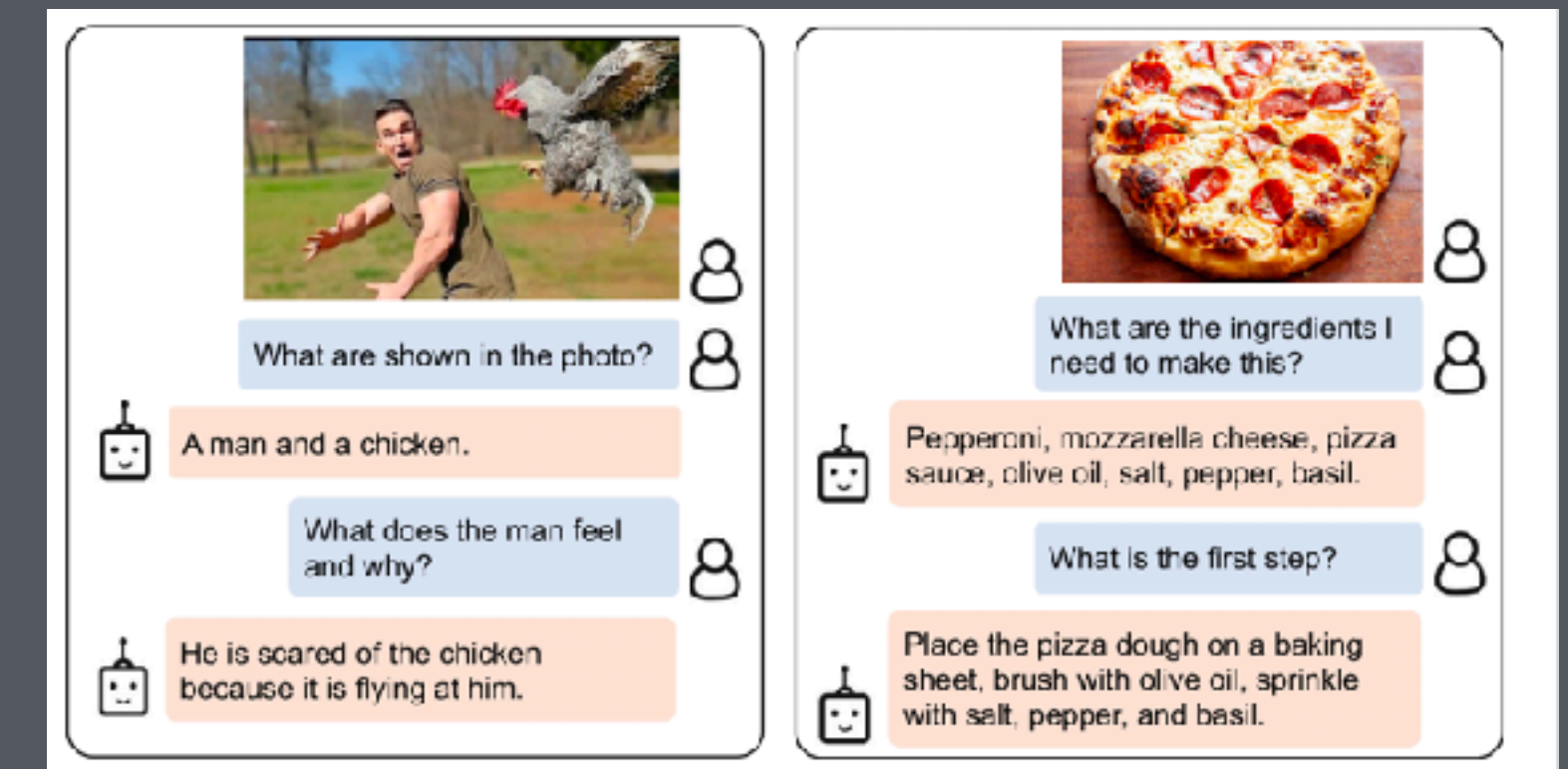


Self-supervised and vision-language learning



@ DEEP LEARNING 2 – LECTURE (1/2)

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Self-supervised and vision-language learning is everywhere now



ZES VRAGEN

Nieuwe 'turbo-versie' van ChatGPT is een stuk veelzijdiger en kan ook omgaan met plaatjes



Source: Imman (ReddIt)

GPT-4 The image shows a package for a "Lightning Cable" adapter with three panels.

Panel 1: A smartphone with a VGA connector (a large, blue, 15-pin connector typically used for computer monitors) plugged into its charging port.

Panel 2: The package for the "Lightning Cable" adapter with a picture of a VGA connector on it.

Panel 3: A close-up of the VGA connector with a small Lightning connector (used for charging iPhones and other Apple devices) at the end.

The humor in this image comes from the absurdity of plugging a large, outdated VGA connector into a small, modern smartphone charging port.



Disrupted



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Bar exam score shows AI can keep up with 'human law'

By Karen Sloan

VentureBeat



Why self-supervised learning is a medical AI game-changer



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What will we cover?

Topics/Models

- GPT-2,3,4, ChatGPT
- MAE
- CLIP, LiT
- ALIGN, ClipCap
- BLIP, BLIP
- Socratic Models
- Flamingo, FROMAGe
- Kosmos-1
- LAION, Conceptual Captions
- LoRA, PGN
- In-context learning
- Chain-of-thought

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs)

- The student can **present and explain** the crucial works in the recent large-scale vision-language learning domain
- The student can **explain the difference and commonalities** between previous and recent vision-language approaches and self-supervised learning
- The student can **describe** in-context learning
- The student can **interpret, critically analyse and judge** scientific publications that combine pretrained language models with visual learning
- The student can **apply and develop** large language models via various API calls into their own code
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Philosophy of these two lectures

There's a lot going on.

This is not an exhaustive enumeration, but instead meant to showcase a number of important works that represent the different research directions.

I've achieved my goal if after these two lectures you think:
"combining self-supervised/vision-language learning is exciting and the lectures gave me ideas for my own future creative research ideas"

*Note: if you wish to unleash your creative ideas,
I will be offering some MSc projects in this direction this year.*

Organisational note:

next lecture: 25th April: 9-11am

Tutorial: 25th April 11am-1pm

Meetings with Ivona/Mohammad/Pengwan (the TAs):
on 18th April via zoom, more meetings on-demand

Self-supervised Pretraining



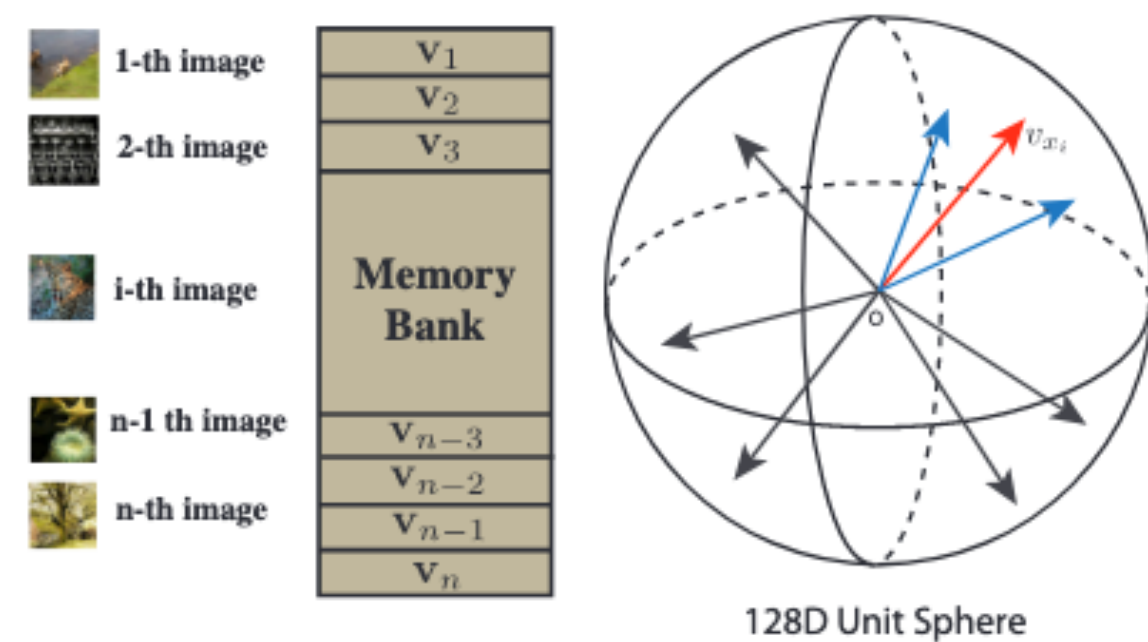
Q: How does one learn without labels?

A: Need to generate a loss that provides gradients.

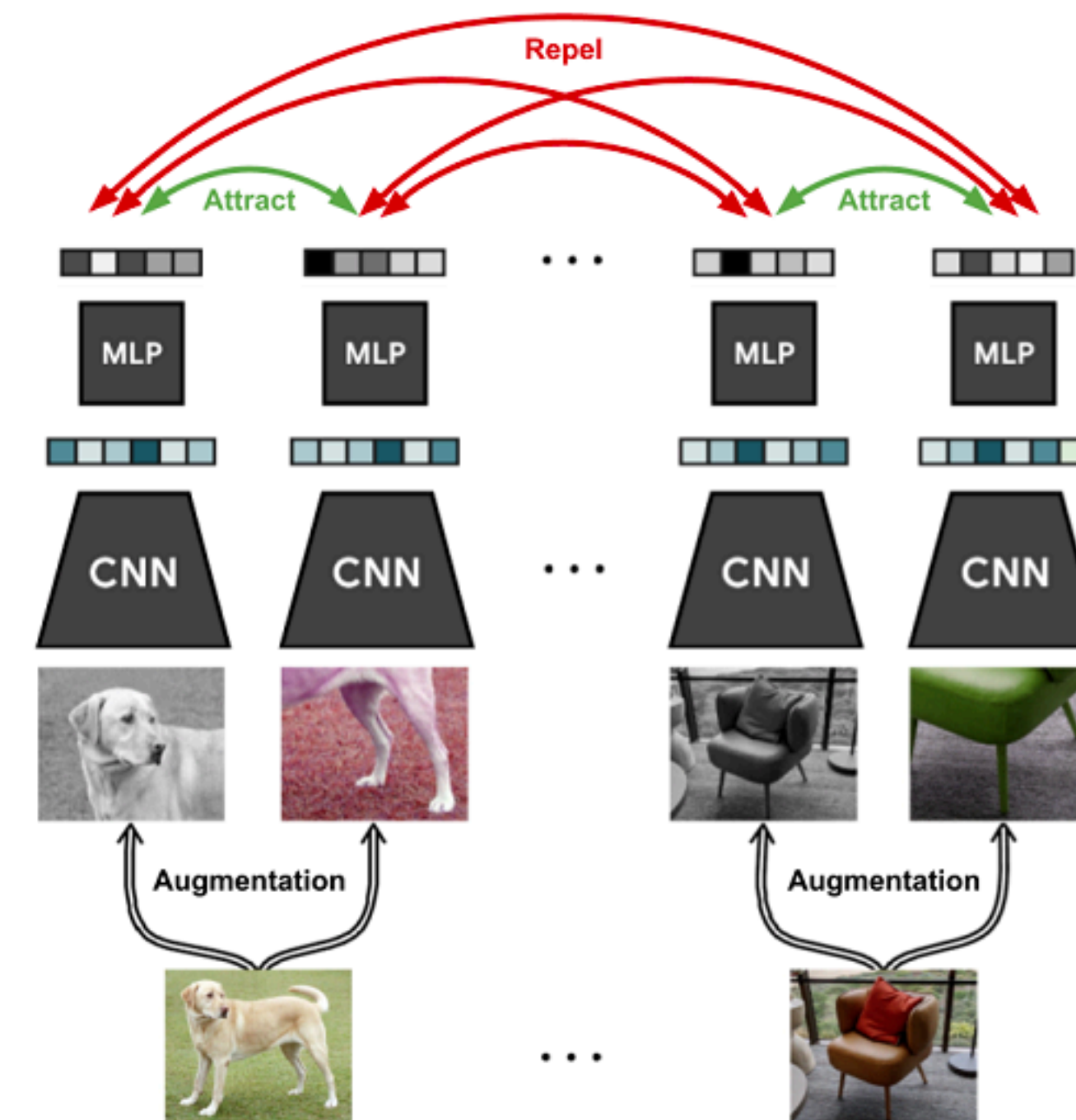
We will focus on signals from

- Image uniqueness + augmentation invariance (“contrastive learning”)
- Reconstruction (Masked Image Modelling)

Modern Noise-contrastive self-supervised learning



NPID



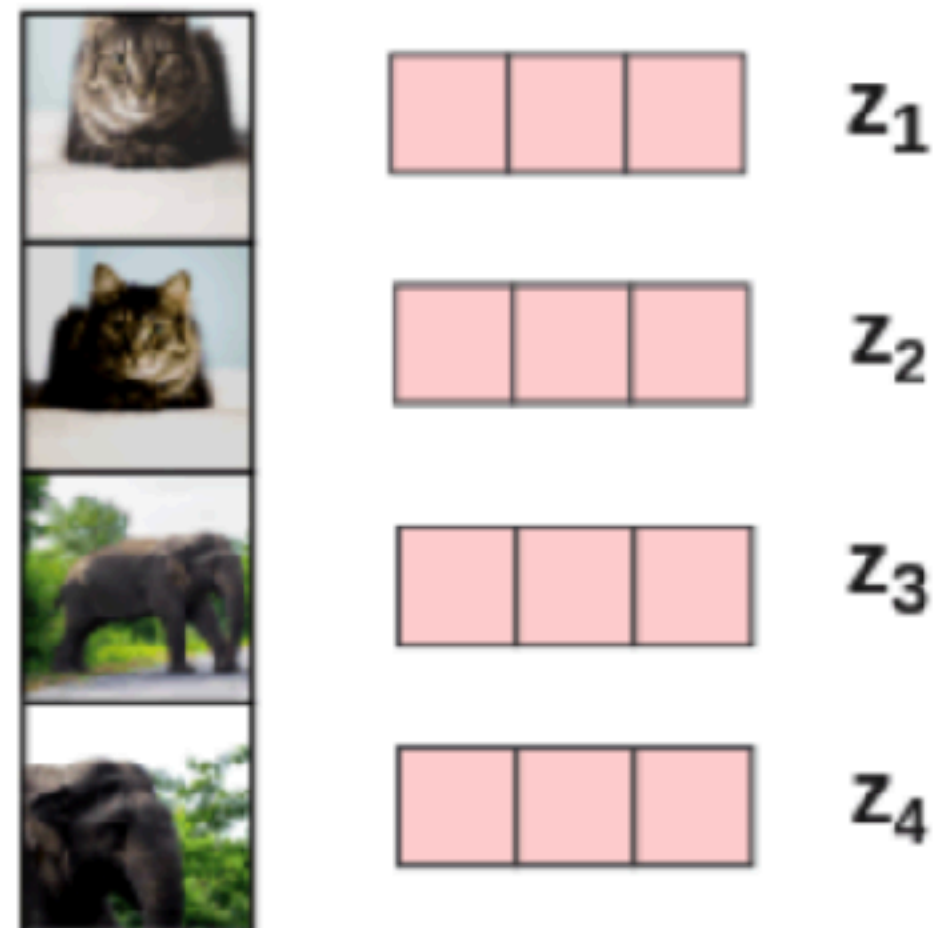
SimCLR

How SimCLR works in detail

Step 1

Calculated Embeddings

Batch
Augmented
Images



Step 2

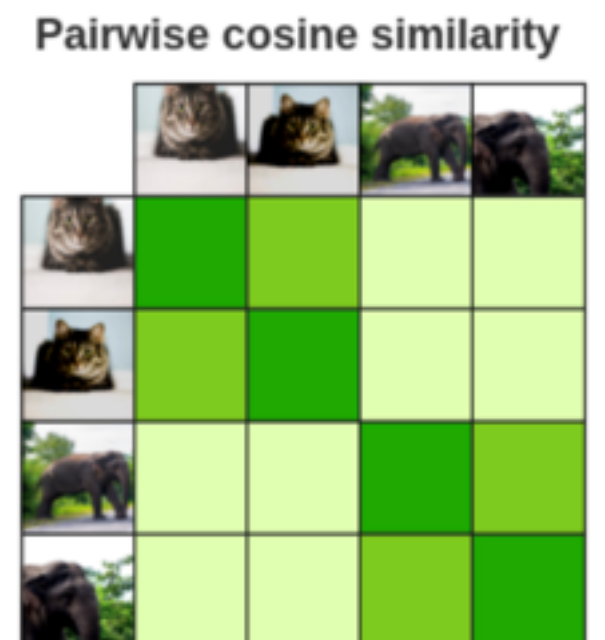
Similarity Calculation of Augmented Images

$$\text{similarity}(x_i, x_j) = \text{cosine similarity} \left(\begin{matrix} z_i \\ \text{3x3 grid} \end{matrix}, \begin{matrix} z_j \\ \text{3x3 grid} \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$s_{i,j} = \frac{z_i^T z_j}{(\tau \|z_i\| \|z_j\|)}$$

- τ is the adjustable temperature parameter. It can scale the inputs and widen the range $[-1, 1]$ of cosine similarity
- $\|z_i\|$ is the norm of the vector.

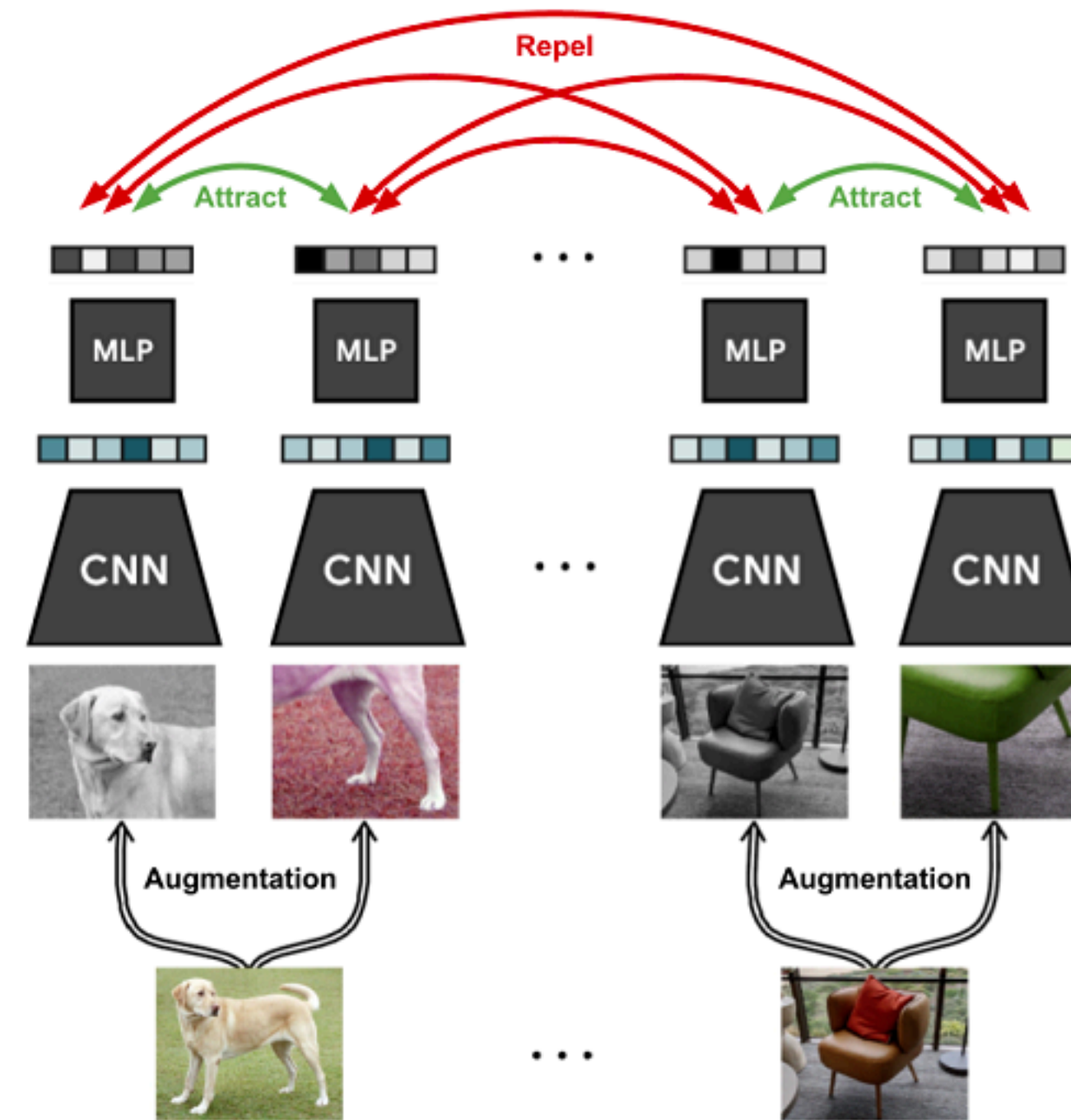
Step 3



Loss: *relatively* increase similarity for pairs, decrease rest

What happens if you only try to increase the diagonal?

Putting it into a loss function



SimCLR

Enforces image-uniqueness and
enforces augmentation-invariance

The contrastive loss for positive pairs i, j :

$$\ell_{i,j} = -\log \frac{\exp(\text{sim}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_j)/\tau)}{\sum_{k=1}^{2N} \mathbb{1}_{[k \neq i]} \exp(\text{sim}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_k)/\tau)},$$

with $\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_j$ embeddings for images i and j ,
 τ a temperature, $\text{sim}()$ is the dot-product

"non-parametric" softmax

Language Modelling



Language Modelling via next-word prediction

Why “erudite” is not a good guess

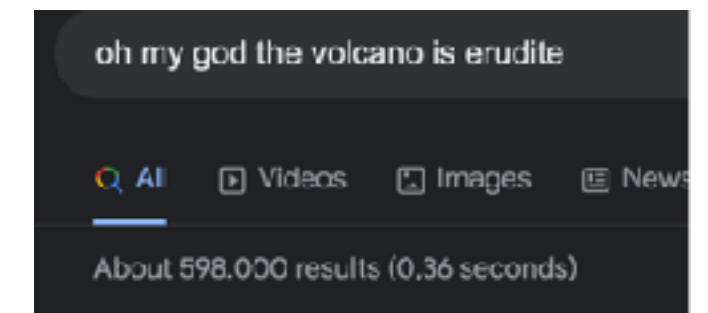
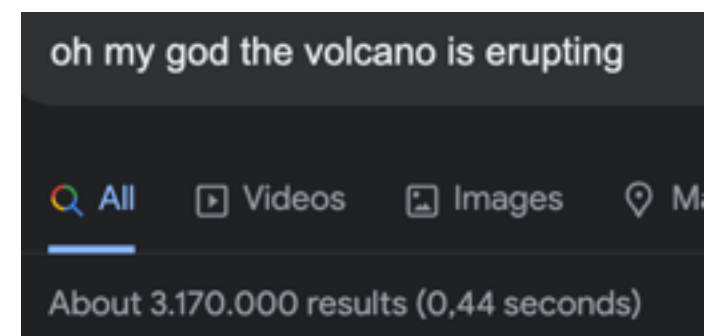


Factor the probability of a datapoint ($w_1, \dots, w_n$):

$$P_{(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n)} = p(w_1)p(w_2|w_1)p(w_3|w_1, w_2)\dots p(w_n|w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-1})$$
$$= \prod_{i=1}^n p(w_i|w_1, \dots, w_{i-1})$$

$S =$ Where are we going

Previous words (Context) Word being predicted



$$P(S) = P(\text{Where}) \times P(\text{are} \mid \text{Where}) \times P(\text{we} \mid \text{Where are}) \times P(\text{going} \mid \text{Where are we})$$

Generative Pretrained Transformer (GPT)

simply does language modelling with a Transformer (decoder)

$$L_1(\mathcal{U}) = \sum_i \log P(u_i | u_{i-k}, \dots, u_{i-1}; \Theta)$$

$$h_0 = UW_e + W_p$$

$$h_l = \text{transformer_block}(h_{l-1}) \forall i \in [1, n]$$

$$P(u) = \text{softmax}(h_n W_e^T)$$

$U = (u_k, \dots, u_1)$ is the context vector of tokens,

n is the number of layers,

W_e is the token embedding matrix,

W_p is the position embedding matrix

in practice: "causal" (left-to-right) context via masking

GPT-1,2,3: same loss. different training data and model sizes

GPT-1

117 million parameters

1.2 GB sized training dataset

Supervised finetuning afterwards

No release

GPT-2

1.5 billion parameters

40 GB text training dataset

Often fine-tuned to perform specific tasks

Smaller version of the model was released to the public open source

GPT-3

176 billion parameters

570 GB training dataset comprising of books, articles, websites, and more

Ability to perform most language tasks without additional tuning

Launched as an API service

GPT-3: “Language models are few-shot learners”

more on this later

Few-shot

In addition to the task description, the model sees a few examples of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

```
1 Translate English to French:
2 sea otter => loutre de mer
3 peppermint => menthe poivrée
4 plush girafe => girafe peluche
5 cheese => .....
```

task description

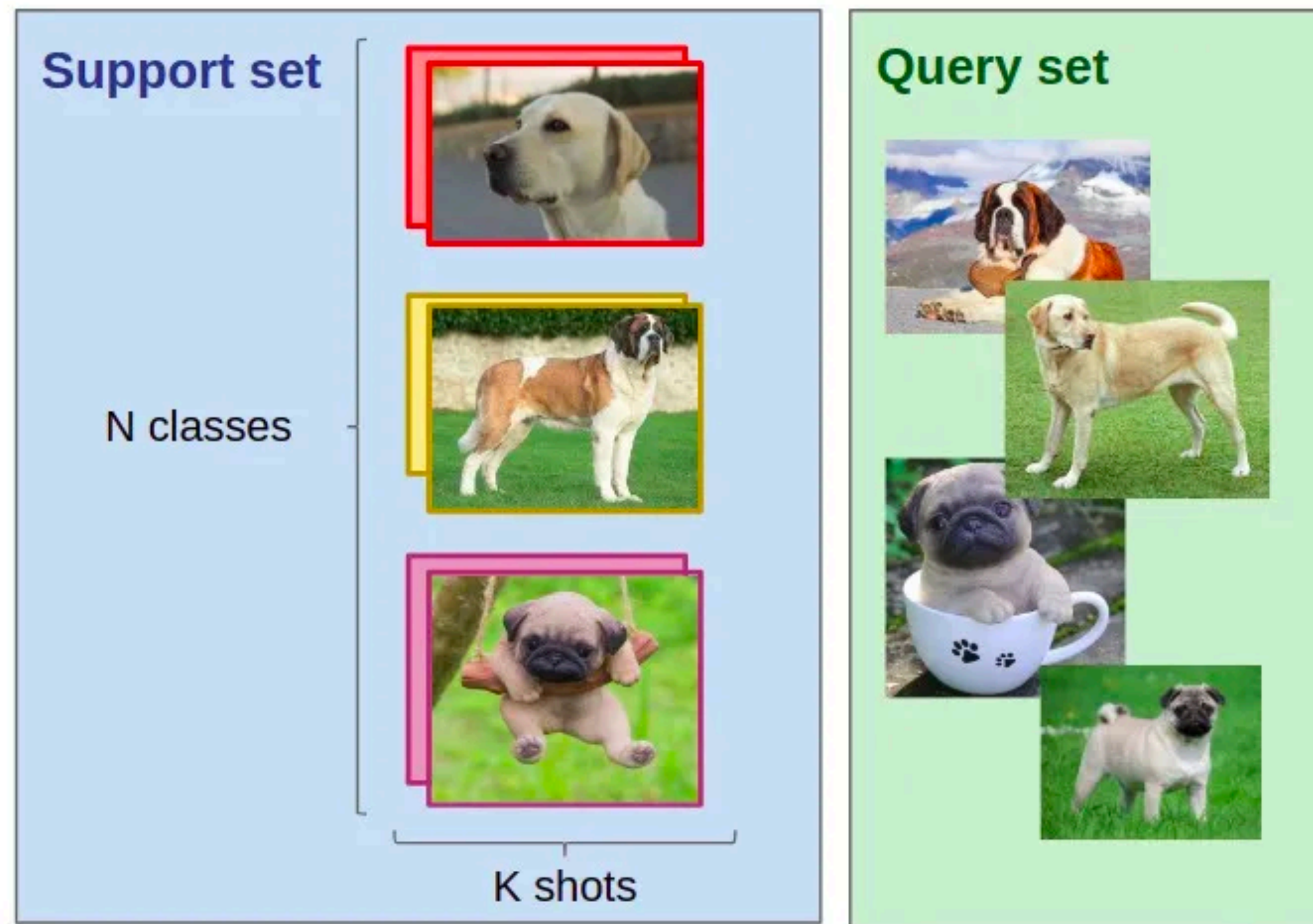
examples

prompt

One emergent capability of large language models is *in-context learning*.

Here, the “task” is defined within the language model’s context, and the model *picks up the task* and solves it for the given sample both during a single forward pass

[Compare to “usual” few-shot learning in e.g. vision]



When classifying between N classes: “ N -way”
With K examples: “ K -shot”
e.g. 5-way 5-shot.

The shots and classes that are tested need to be deterministic in the test set

Previous methods often rely on pretraining for this objective, extract embeddings & find nearest neighbors or finetune models.

In-context Learning: benefitting from more examples in the input

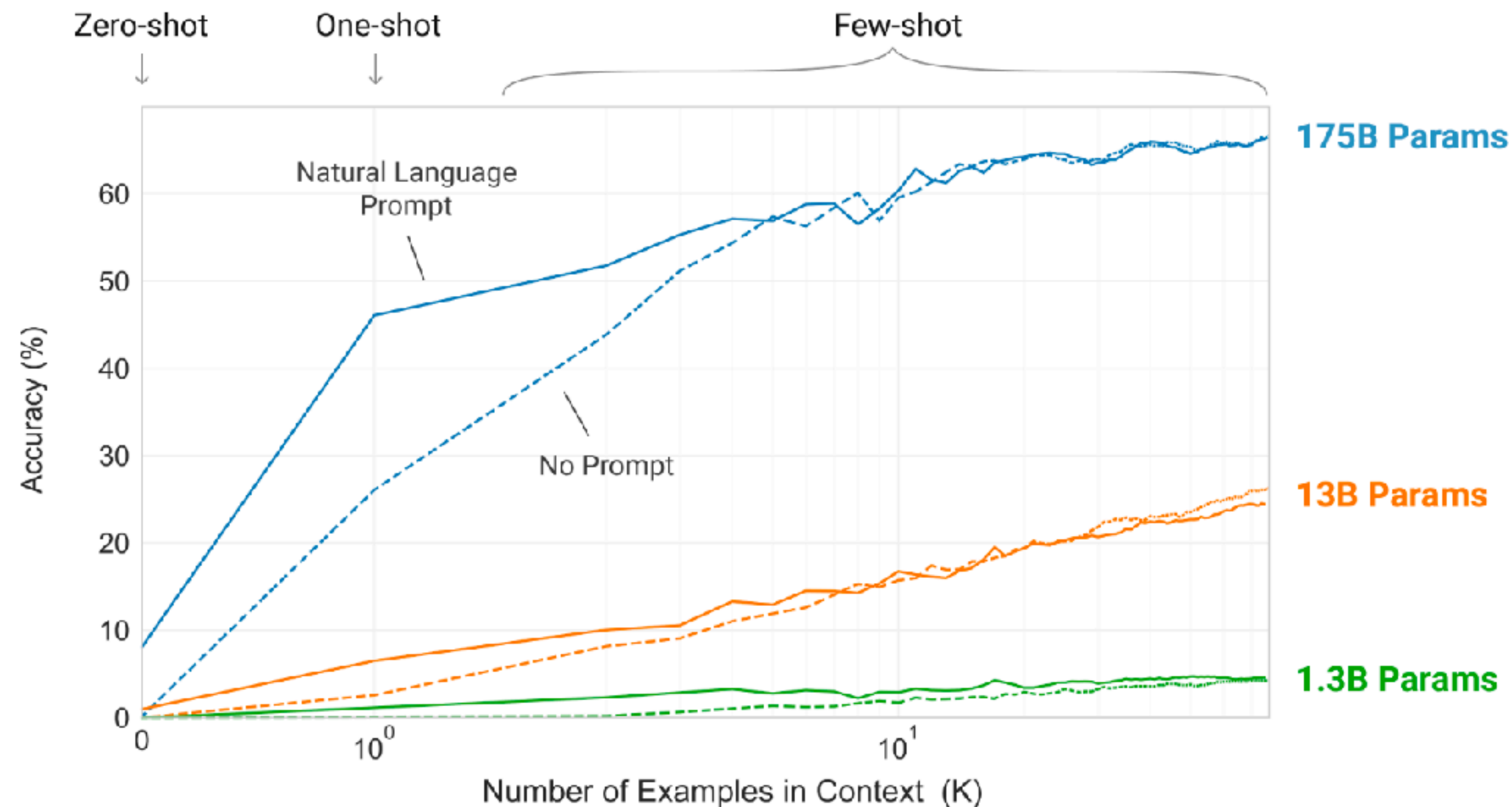


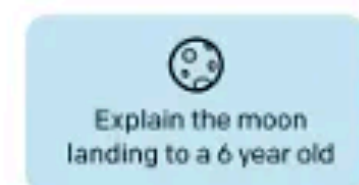
Figure 1.2: Larger models make increasingly efficient use of in-context information. We show in-context learning performance on a simple task requiring the model to remove random symbols from a word, both with and without a natural language task description (see Sec. 3.9.2). The steeper “in-context learning curves” for large models demonstrate improved ability to learn a task from contextual information. We see qualitatively similar behavior across a wide range of tasks.

[btw: ChatGPT uses GPT-3 to then supervisedly finetune on human preferences & then learn these to enable reinforcement learning]

Step 1

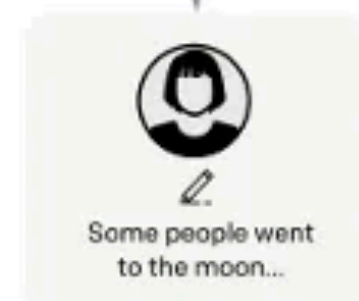
Collect demonstration data, and train a supervised policy.

A prompt is sampled from our prompt dataset.



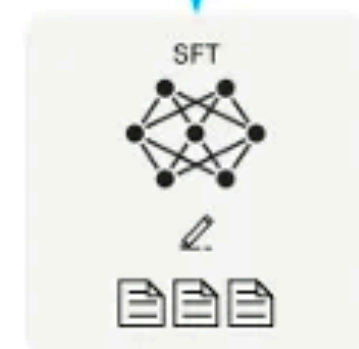
Prompt dataset is a series of prompts previously submitted to the Open API

A labeler demonstrates the desired output behavior.



40 contractors hired to write responses to prompts

This data is used to fine-tune GPT-3 with supervised learning.

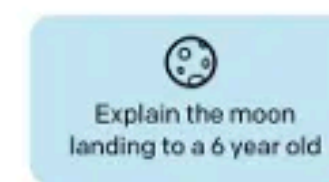


Input / output pairs are used to train a supervised model on appropriate responses to instructions.

Step 2

Collect comparison data, and train a reward model.

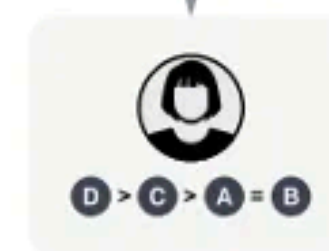
A prompt and several model outputs are sampled.



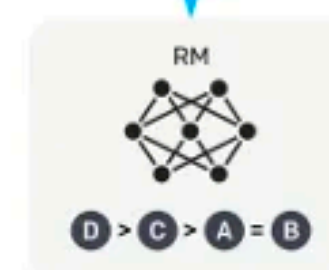
Responses are generated by the SFT model



A labeler ranks the outputs from best to worst.



This data is used to train our reward model.



$\binom{k}{2}$ combinations of rankings served to the model as a batch datapoint

Step 3

Optimize a policy against the reward model using reinforcement learning.

Leverages Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO)

A new prompt is sampled from the dataset.



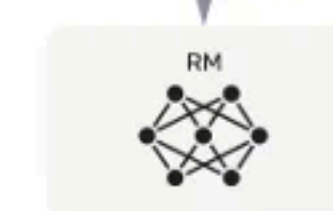
The policy generates an output.



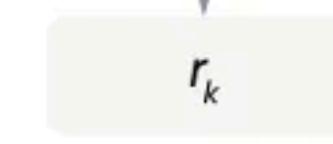
A policy is, a strategy that an agent uses in pursuit of goals

Once upon a time...

The reward model calculates a reward for the output.



The reward is used to update the policy using PPO.



Kullback-Leibler penalty for SFT model to avoid overfitting

GPT-4

better.
bigger.

GPT-4 Technical Report

OpenAI*

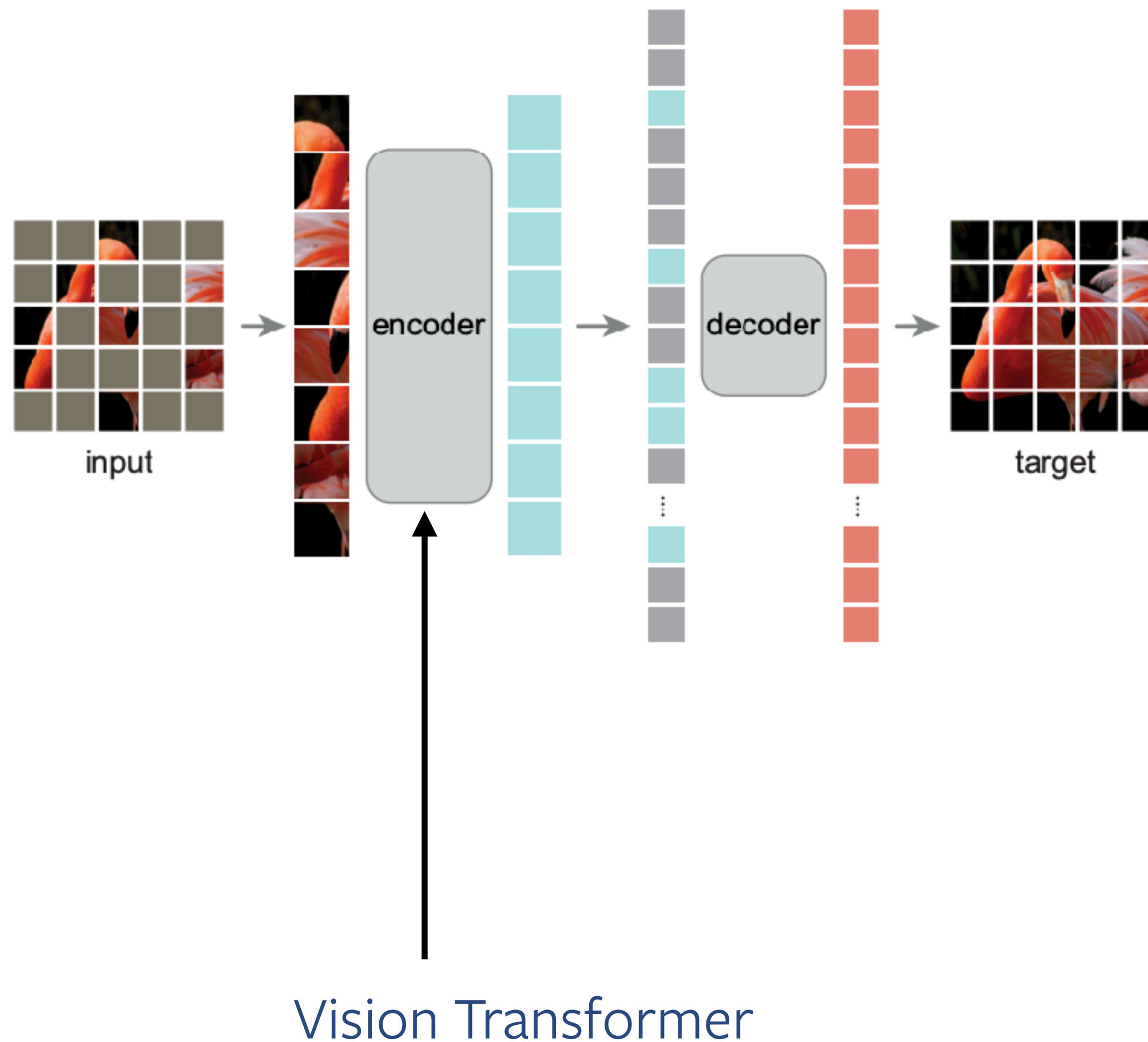
Abstract

we used python



There's more language models! Llama / (Flan)-T5 etc.
they are even open-source available and quite big! up to 65B params

Masked Image Modelling ~ same, but instead of words use image patches



Something to think:

- Words present the “atoms” of masked language modelling and have individual meaning
- Yet image-patches do not carry an individual meaning
- The output of a language model is vast (from writing a joke to your assignments)
- The output of an image model is “just” pixels
- --> what is missing for vision models?

Multi-modal Learning



+ captions/
thoughts?

What modalities does Deep Learning (mostly) deal with?

- Generally: anything on the internet
- Images
- Text
- Speech audio
- LiDAR points
- 3D models
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Multiple modalities

- Videos (RGB frames + audio + audio transcriptions if there's speech)
- Image-text (e.g. images with captions, images with alt text)
- ...

What makes multi-modal learning interesting? e.g. vision-language

Text is like an “augmentation” / broader description

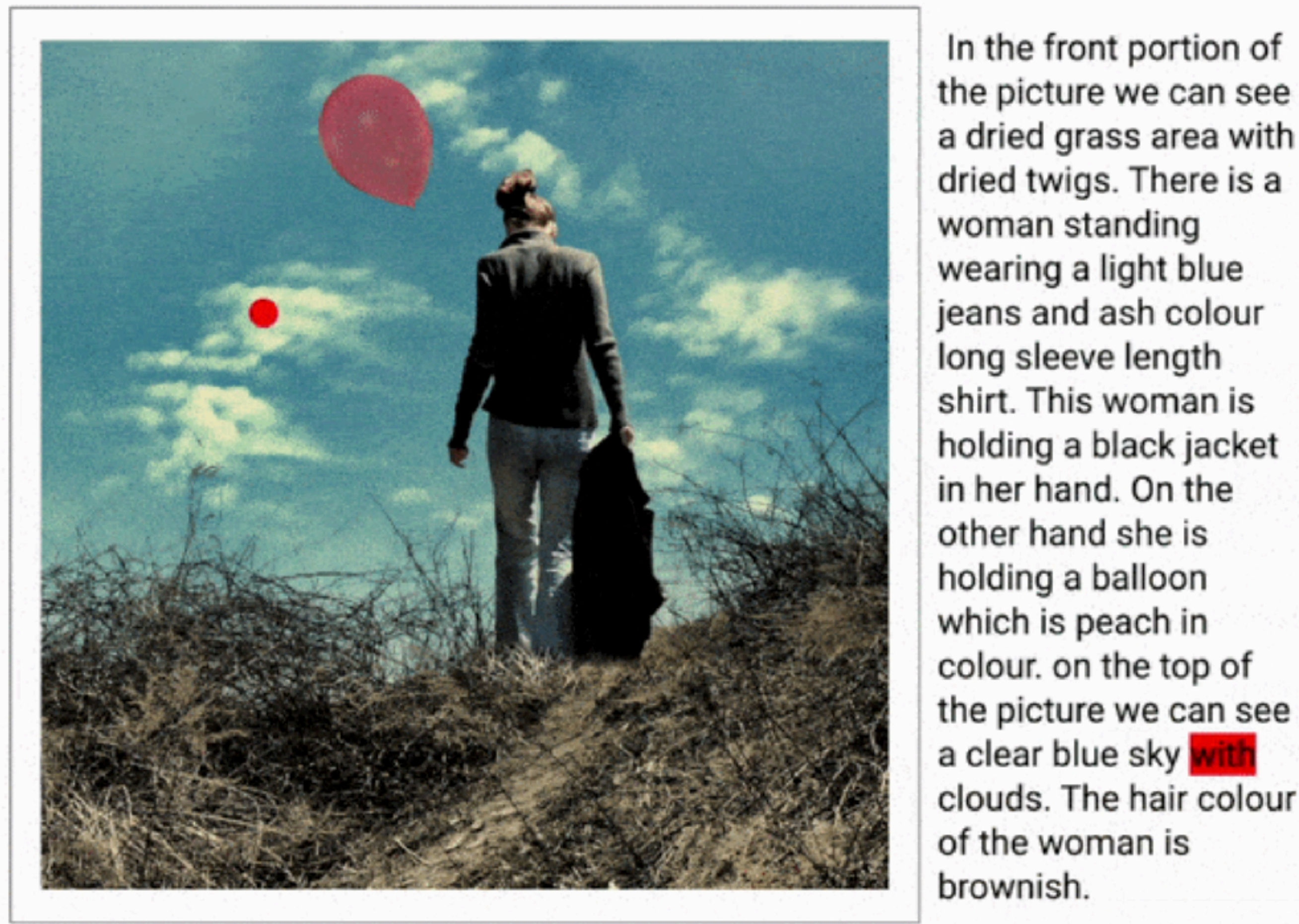


The man at bat readies to swing at the pitch while the umpire looks on.

The meaning depends on both modalities (rarer)



Text can also be very detailed



850k images with such descriptions
+audio
+pointer
+(partially): segmentations

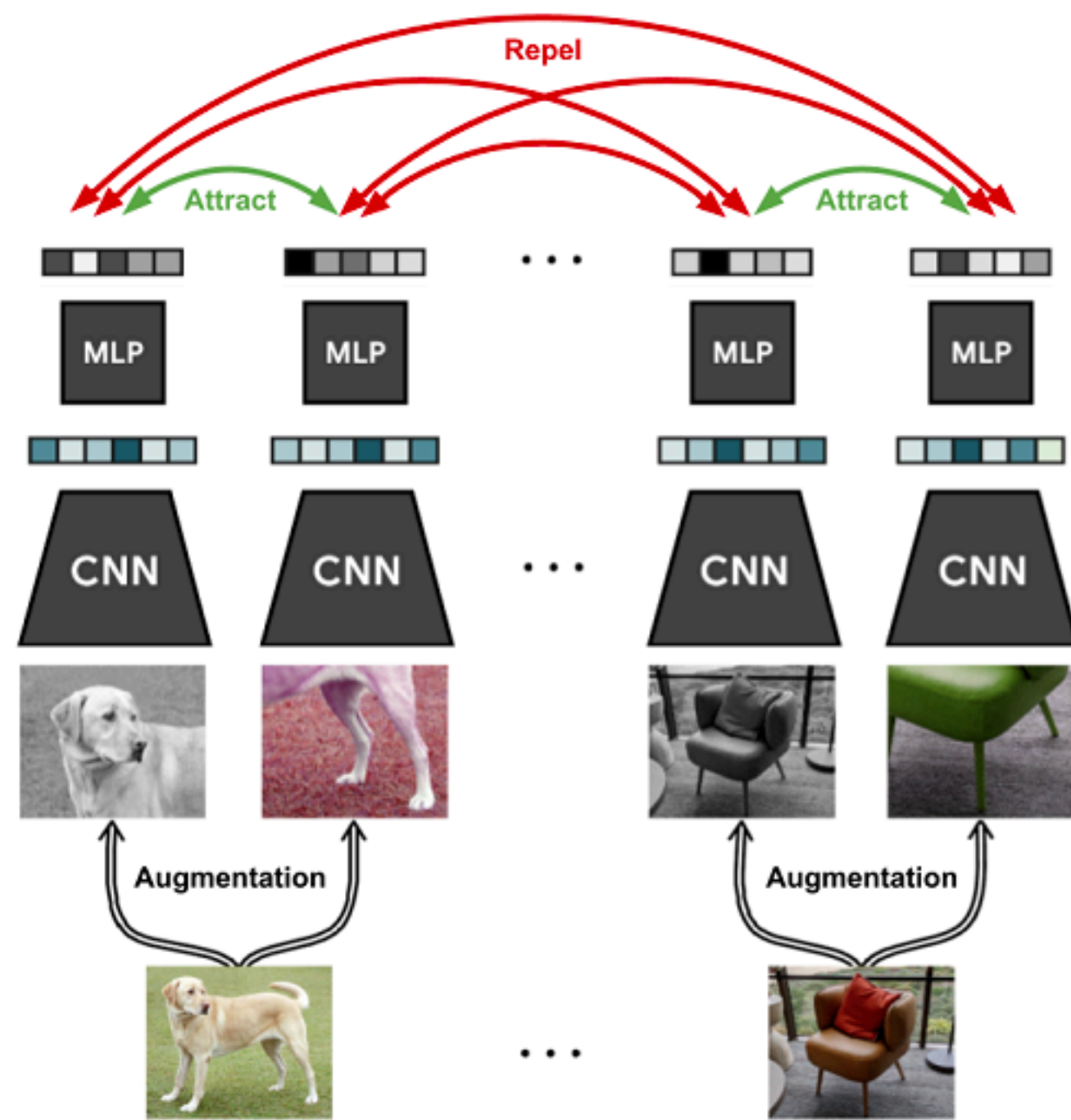
But really: the language part makes it *very* generaliseable

Language is a very universal format for posing and solving tasks

Language further has advantage of being human understandable

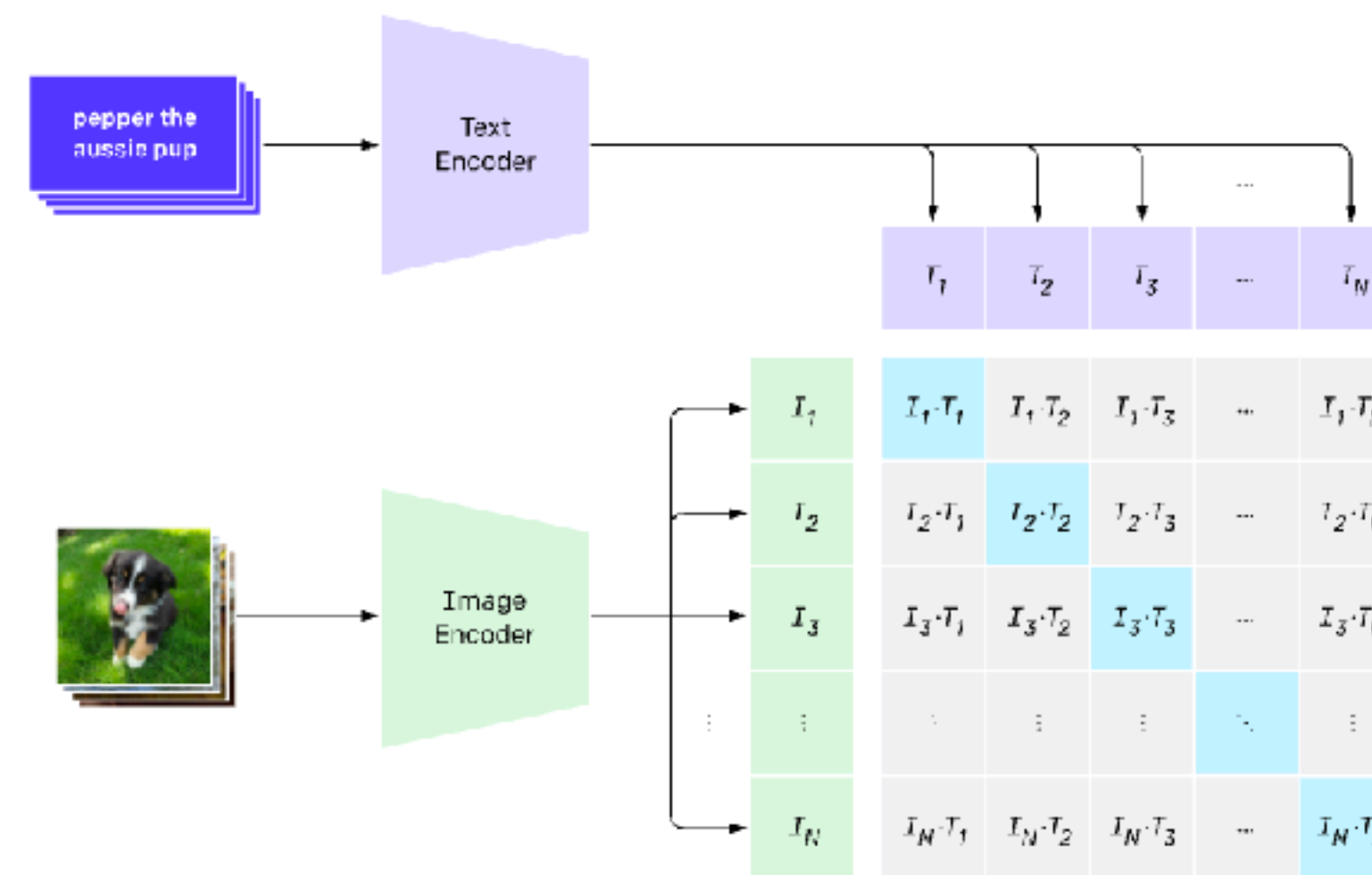
Language models are few-shot (in-context) learners

CLIP from DL 1 Lecture 9 simply applies SimCLR across modalities



SimCLR

1. Contrastive pre-training



CLIP: instead of augmentation, uses an image caption (the magic is in the training data)

zero-shot
image-to-text not new:
e.g. in 2016:



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Learning Visual N-Grams from Web Data

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Abstract

Real-world image recognition systems need to recognize tens of thousands of classes that constitute a plethora of visual concepts. The traditional approach of annotating thousands of images per class for training is infeasible in such a scenario, prompting the use of webly supervised data. This paper explores the training of image-recognition systems on large numbers of images and associated user comments, without using manually labeled images. In particular, we develop visual n -gram models that can predict arbitrary phrases that are relevant to the content of an image. Our visual n -gram models are feed-forward convolutional networks trained using new loss functions that are inspired by n -gram models commonly used in language modeling. We demonstrate the merits of our models in phrase prediction, phrase-based image retrieval, relating images and captions, and zero-shot transfer.



Predicted n -grams
lights
Burning Man
Mardi Gras
parade in progress



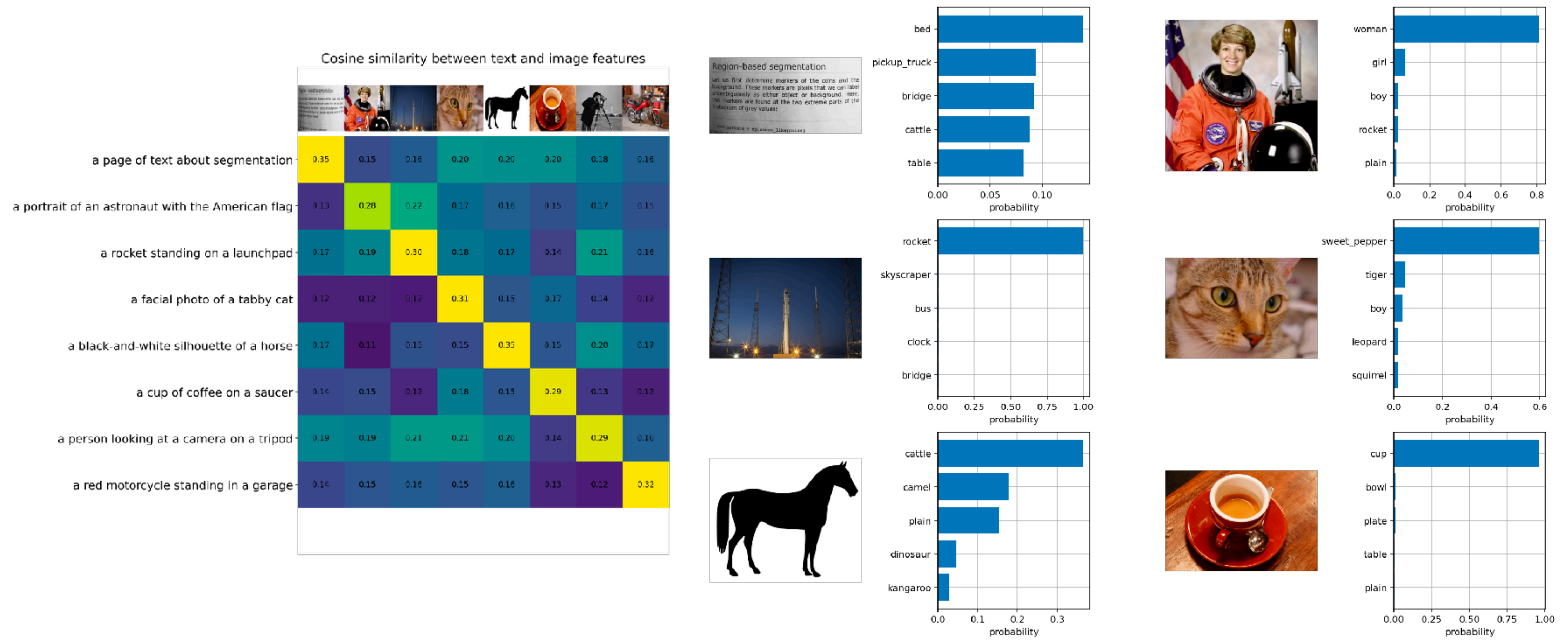
Predicted n -grams
GP
Silverstone Classic
Formula 1
race for the



Predicted n -grams
navy yard
construction on the
Port of San Diego
cargo

What you can do with CLIP: zero-shot classification

https://colab.research.google.com/github/openai/clip/blob/master/notebooks/Interacting_with_CLIP.ipynb



When comparing pretrained image and language models, which one needs to adapt (more?)

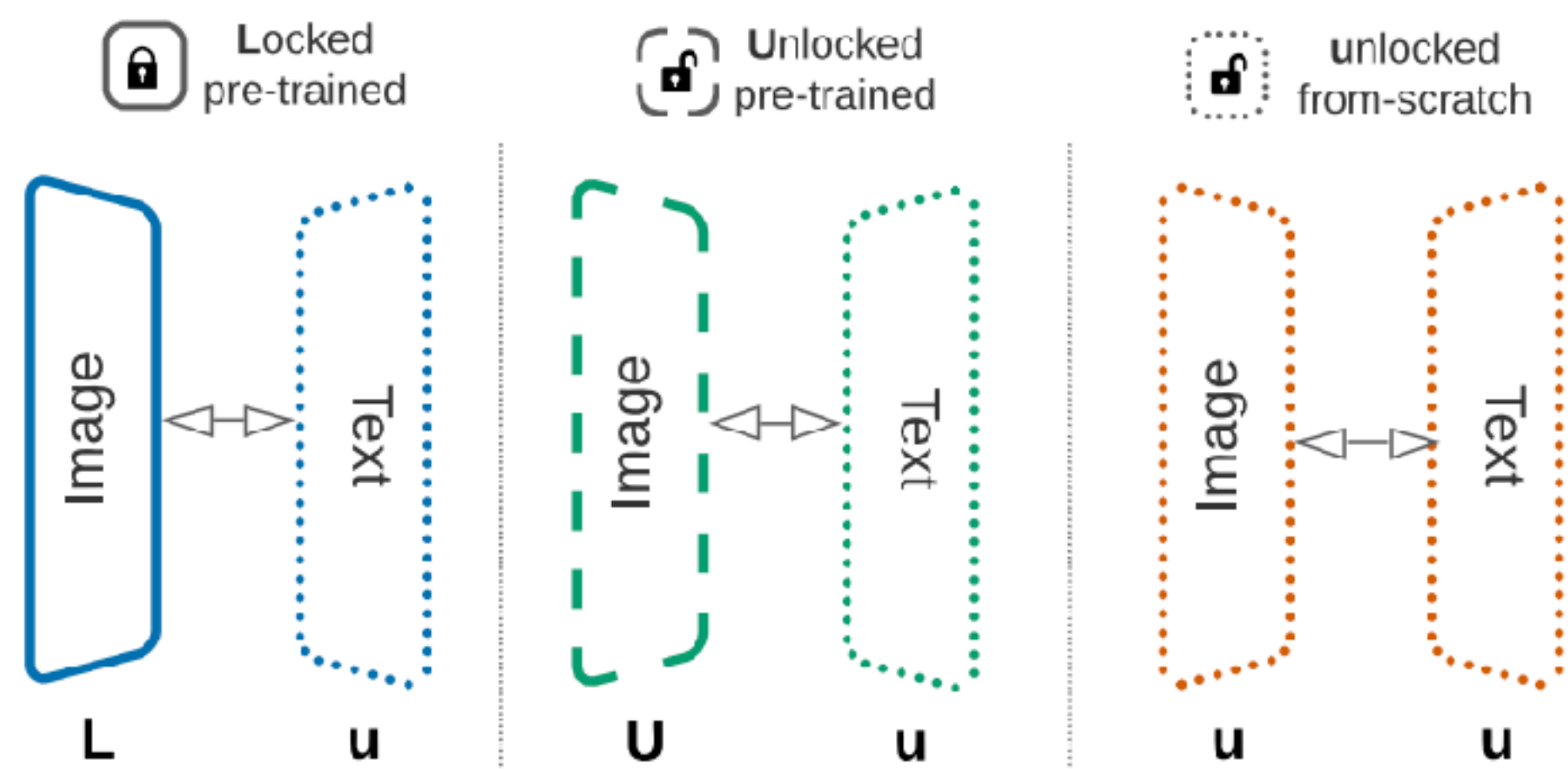


Figure 2. Design choices for contrastive-tuning on image-text data. Two letters are introduced to represent the image tower and text tower setups. L stands for locked variables and initialized from a pre-trained model, U stands for unlocked and initialized from a pre-trained model, u stands for unlocked and randomly initialized. Lu is named as “Locked-image Tuning” (LiT).

Method	ImgNet	ImgNet-v2	Cifar100	Pets
Lu	70.1	61.7	70.9	88.1
Uu	57.2	50.2	62.1	74.8
uu	50.6	43.3	47.9	70.3

Locking the image model is better.

Table 3: Zero-shot transfer results on ImageNet (variants).

Model	IN	IN-v2	IN-R	IN-A	ObjNet	ReaL
CLIP	76.2	70.1	88.9	77.2	72.3	-
ALIGN	76.4	70.1	92.2	75.8	72.2	-
BASIC	85.7	80.6	95.7	85.6	78.9	-
CoCa	86.3	80.7	96.5	90.2	82.7	-
LiT-g/14	85.2	79.8	94.9	81.8	82.5	88.6
LiT-e/14	85.4	80.6	96.1	88.0	84.9	88.4
LiT-22B	85.9	80.9	96.0	90.1	87.6	88.6

With only requiring one forward pass for getting image embeddings, can combine this with using a 22B parameter ViT

ALIGN: Scaling Up Visual and Vision-Language Representation Learning With Noisy Text Supervision



"motorcycle front wheel"



"thumbnail for version as of 21 57 29 june 2010"



"file frankfurt airport skyline 2017 05 jpg"



"file london barge race 2 jpg"



"moustache seamless wallpaper design"



"st oswalds way and shops"



Their innovation: start with very noisy dataset and:

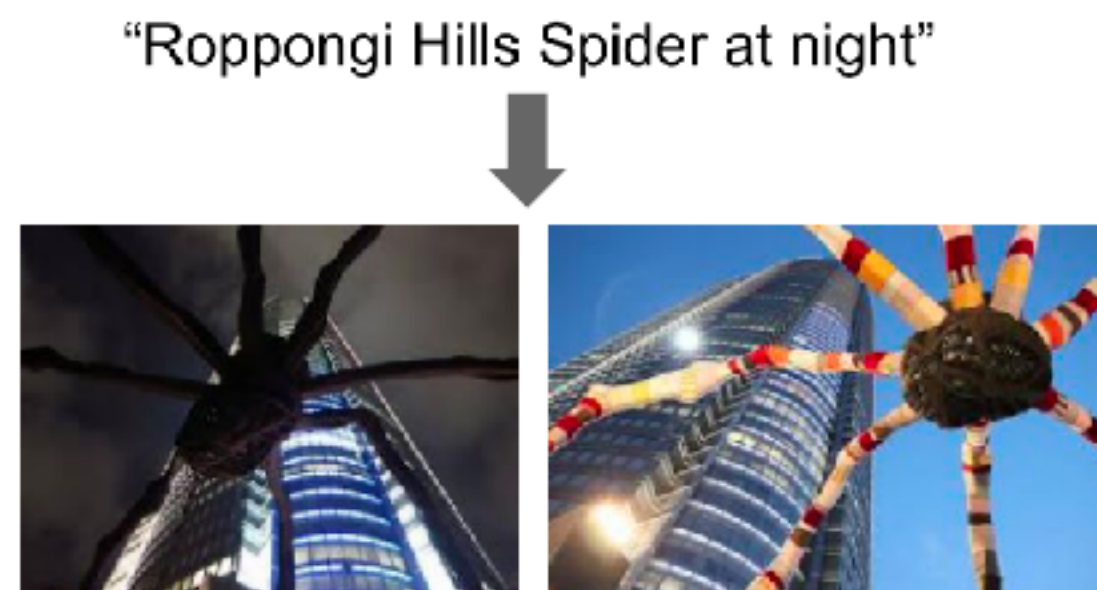
- Filter based on images:
 - remove small ones, remove ones with >1k captions/alt texts
- Filter based on text:
 - alt-text with >10 occurrences are removed (e.g. "1920x10280")
 - too short or too long, or too rare
- Result: dataset size ~2B (CLIP: 400M)

We train the model on 1024 Cloud TPUv3 cores with 16 positive pairs on each core. Therefore the total effective batch size is 16384.

ALIGN applications: same as CLIP

zero-shot classification

Image-text retrieval



(A) Text -> Image Retrieval



"original picture of
monet haystack"
"monet haystack png"
"haystack series
monet art institute of
chicago"
...

(B) Image -> Text Retrieval



+ "snow"



(C) Image + Text -> Image Retrieval

(C): How?

simple addition of two vectors

$\text{vec}_1 + \text{vec}_2 \rightarrow$ find nearest images in database

Text-image retrieval tasks/datasets

E.g. MS-COCO



image-to-text

	OURS	A cat laying on the grass playing with a big dog	A cat plays with a dog in the grass	In a grassy field is a dog and a cat who are rubbing noses	The dog and cat are in a field of grass	A small dog standing next to a small kitten
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count number of correct captions given a number of retrieved instances (e.g. 5)

text-to-image



count number of correct images given a number of retrieved instances (e.g. 5)

Combining GPT and X



Y

is GPT-3 an oracle?



No, GPT-3 is not an oracle.

Y

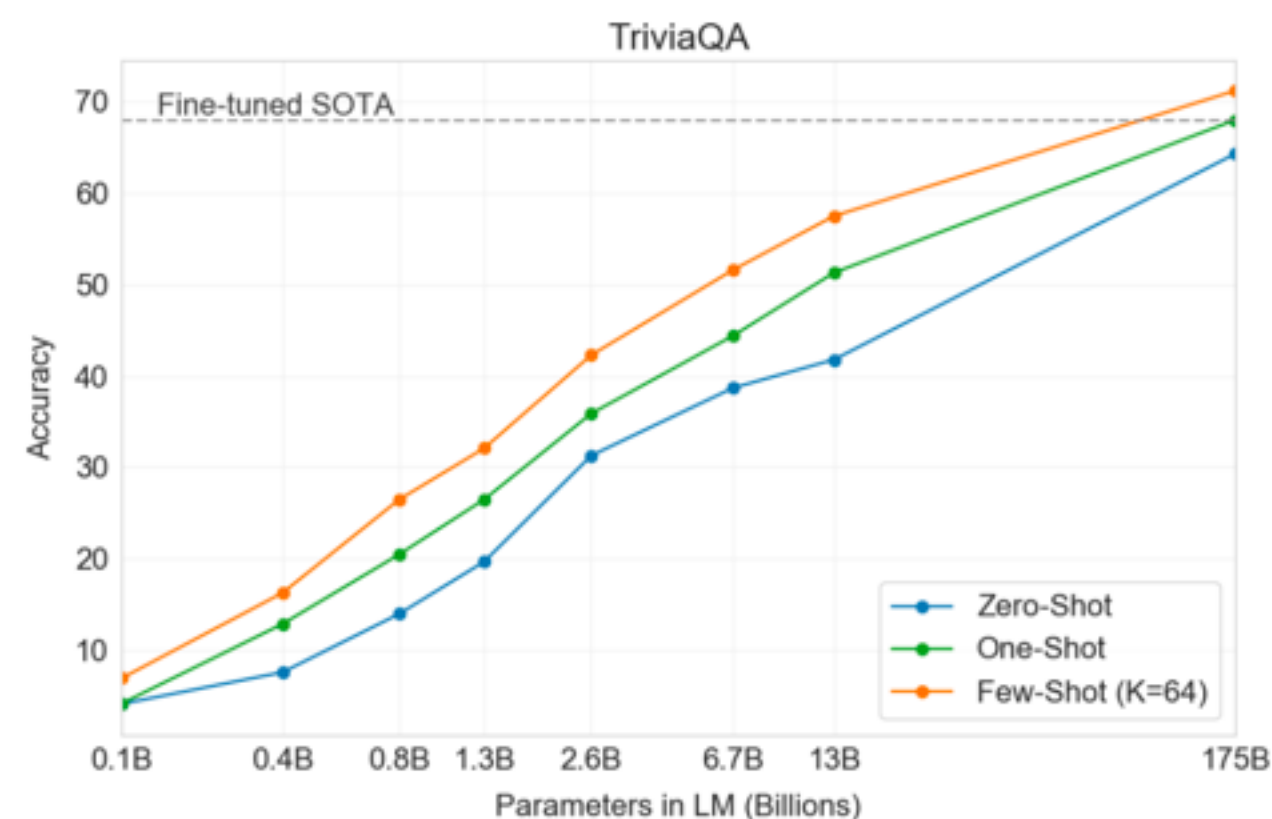
do people still use it like an oracle?



While GPT-3 is not an oracle, some people may still use it in a way that resembles consulting an oracle. For example, people may input a question or prompt into GPT-3 and see what kind of response it generates.

Using the knowledge inside language models: some examples

GPT-3 contains a lot of factual knowledge inside its weights



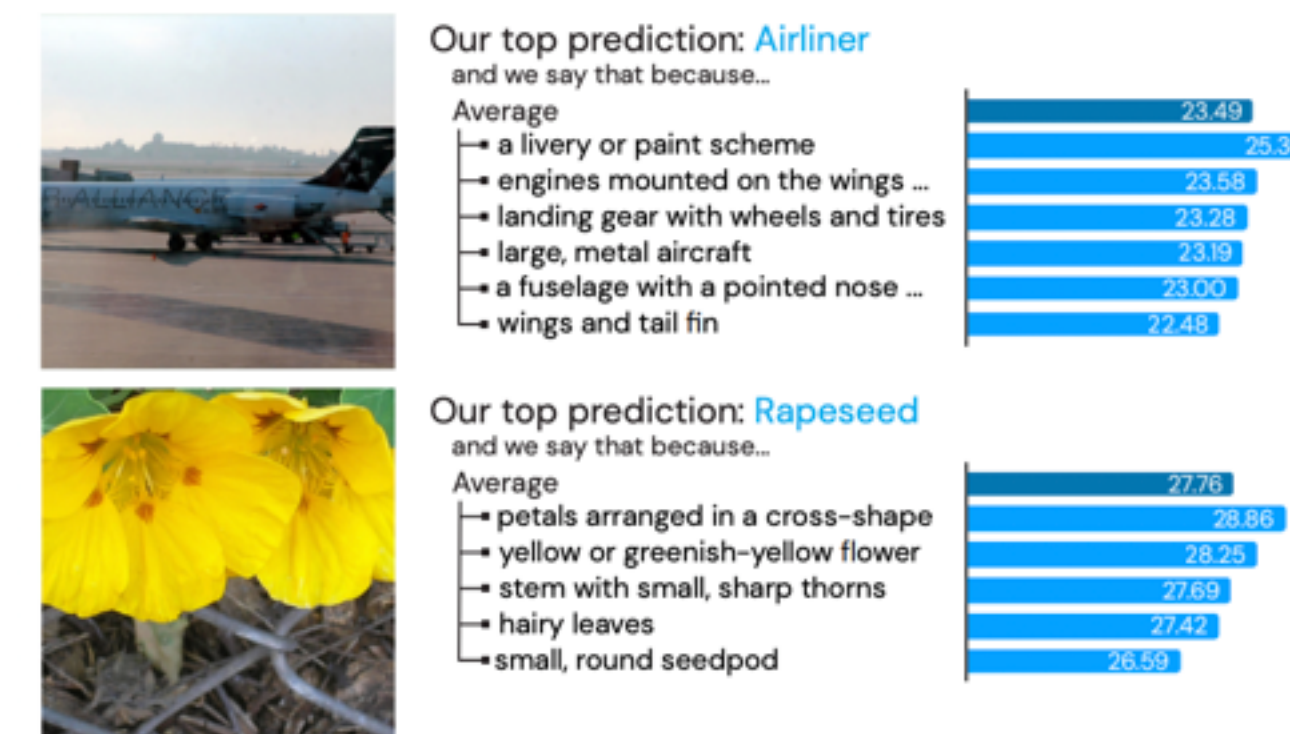
examples

Question: The Dodecanese Campaign of WWII that was an attempt by the Allied forces to capture islands in the Aegean Sea was the inspiration for which acclaimed 1961 commando film?
Answer: The Guns of Navarone

Step 1: ask GPT-3 for useful visual features

Q: What are useful features for distinguishing a {category name} in a photo?
A: There are several useful visual features to tell there is a {category name} in a photo:
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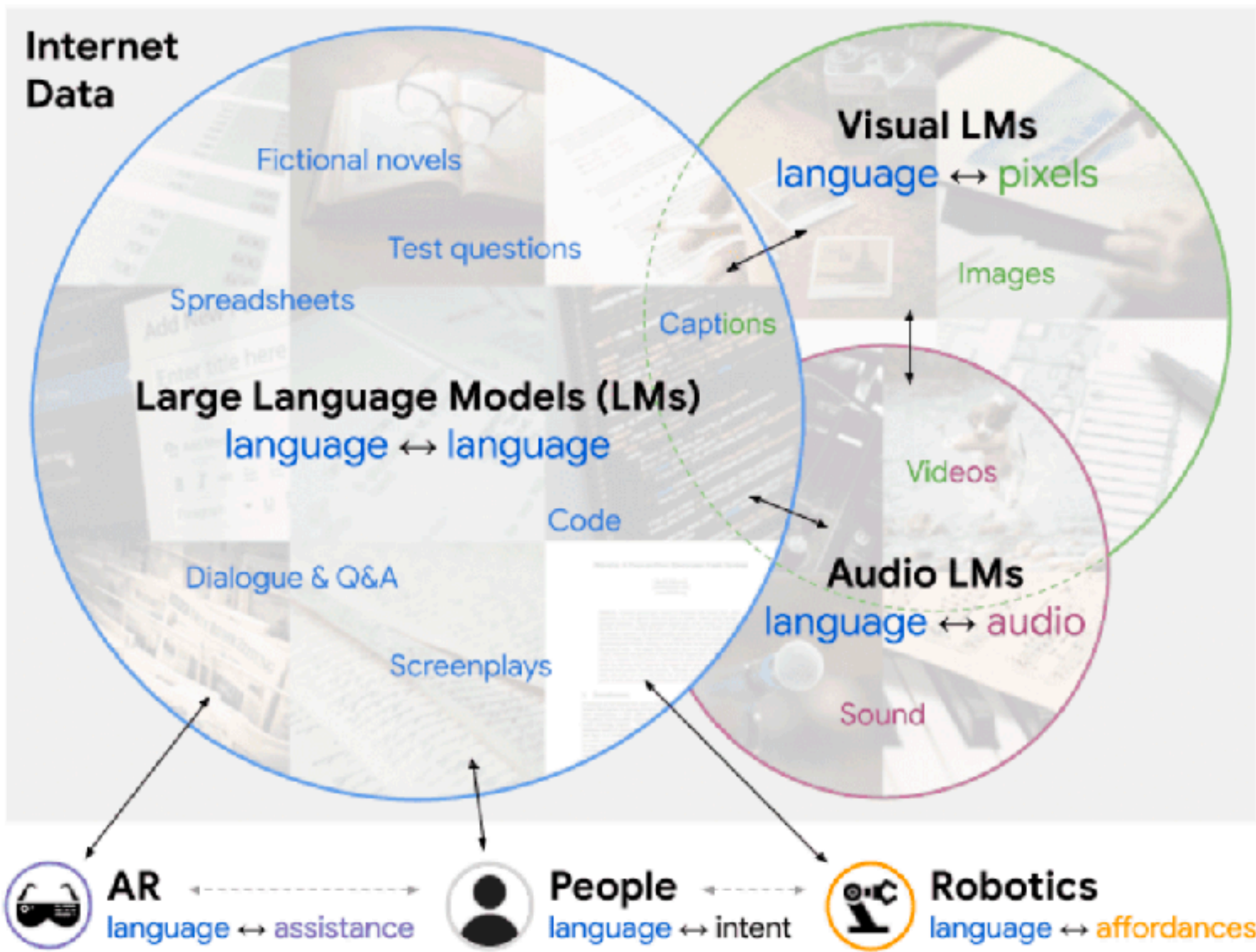
Step 2: use these features for CLIP



Step 3: get final score by averaging scores of descriptors

CLIP is a vision-language model GPT-3 is a language model. So they can interact via language.

Image-captioning via: CLIP -> GPT-3 -> CLIP



I am an intelligent image captioning bot. This image is a {img_type}. There {num_people}. I think this photo was taken at a {place1}, {place2}, or {place3}. I think there might be a {object1}, {object2}, {object3},... in this {img_type}. A creative short caption I can generate to describe this image is:

caption 1
caption 2
....

finally, pick the one CLIP prefers, given the image



SM (ours): This image shows an inviting dining space with plenty of natural light.



SM (ours): People gather under a blossoming cherry tree, enjoying the beauty of nature together.

More on combining models and calling language model APIs in the tutorial!
How will *you* use GPT-3/4 to make something new?

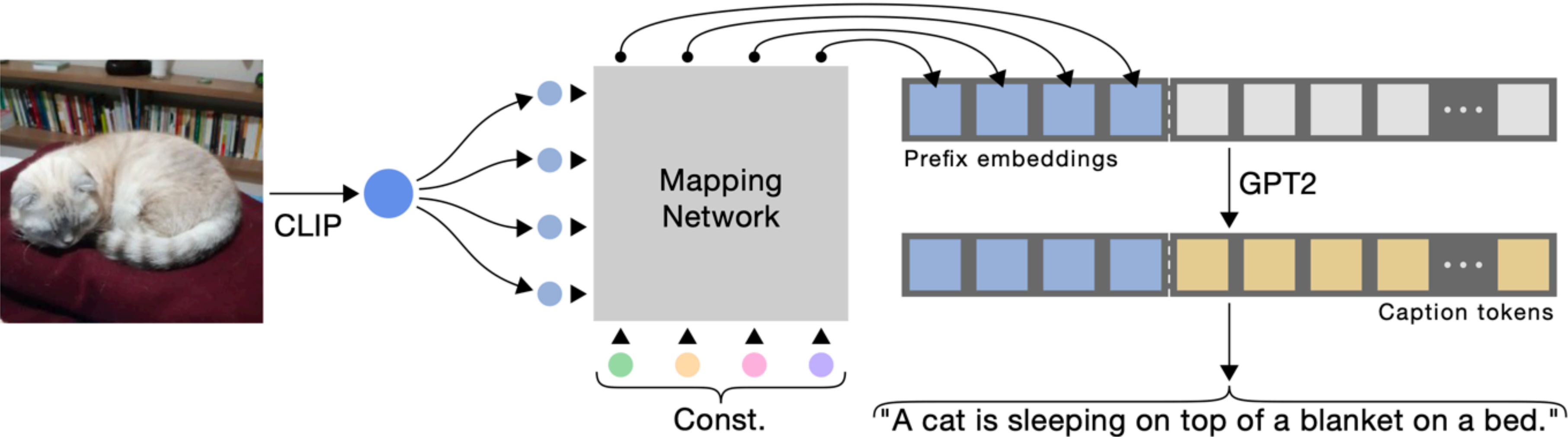
Other text-image pretraining methods



"I still wish we'd gotten a pool, instead of this ridiculous sculpture."

ClipCap: CLIP Prefix for Image Captioning

“Visual Language Model”



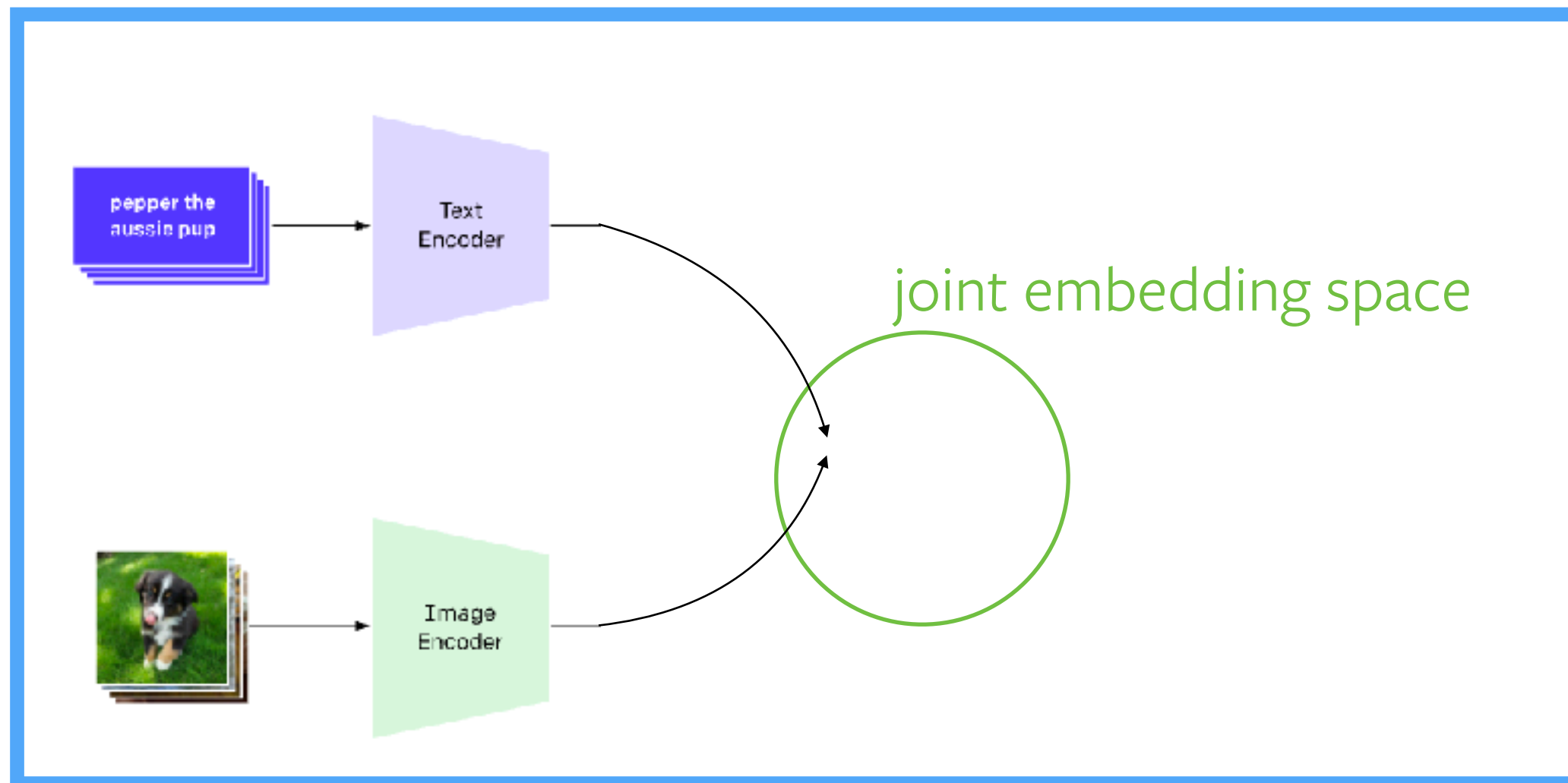
- Uses CLIP visual encoder, further transforms the visual embedding to match the input-space of GPT-2.
- GPT-2 kept frozen or adapted
- Trained for captioning

(A) Conceptual Captions					
Model	ROUGE-L ↑	CIDEr ↑	SPICE ↑	#Params (M) ↓	Training Time ↓
VLP	24.35	77.57	16.59	115	1200h (V100)
Ours; MLP + GPT2 tuning	26.71	87.26	18.5	156	80h (GTX1080)
Ours; Transformer	25.12	71.82	16.07	43	72h (GTX1080)

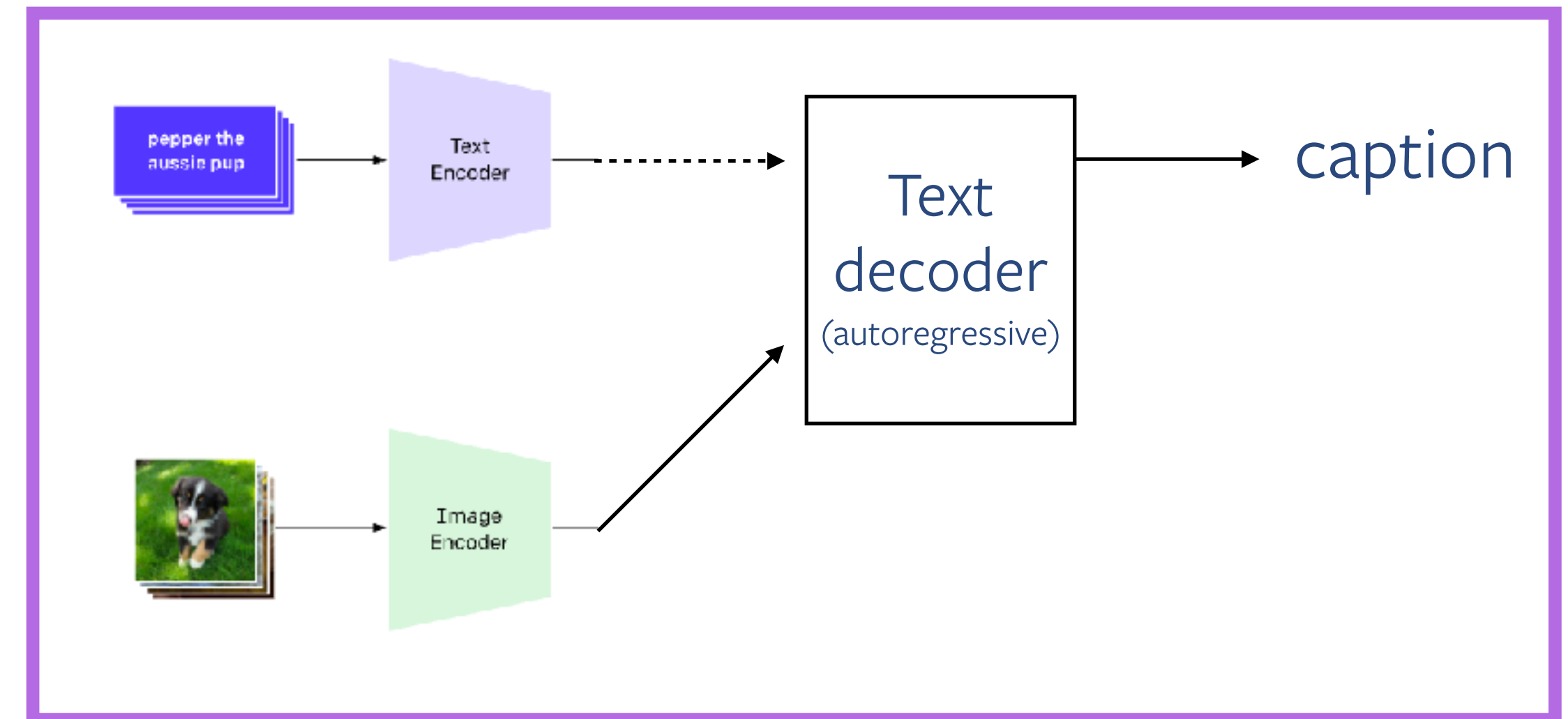
Vision-Language model vs Visual Language model

or

encoder-encoder vs encoder-decoder architectures



Both modalities mapped into a joint embedding space. Great for cross-modal retrieval, or refined joint-modal retrieval (Eiffel-tower-image+"snow")

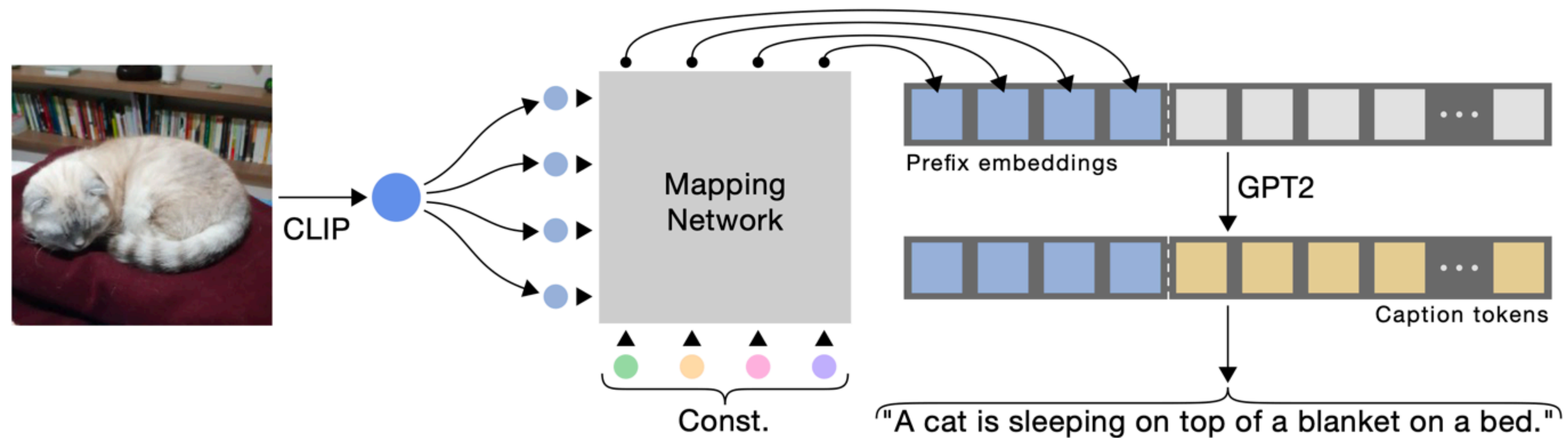


When text decoder is a frozen language model:

Image --> "language space", s.t. decoder can deal with it.

(dotted line: to still achieve a joint-embedding [but then: need autoregressive decoder])

ClipCap: CLIP Prefix for Image Captioning



Question 1: why didn't they use GPT3?

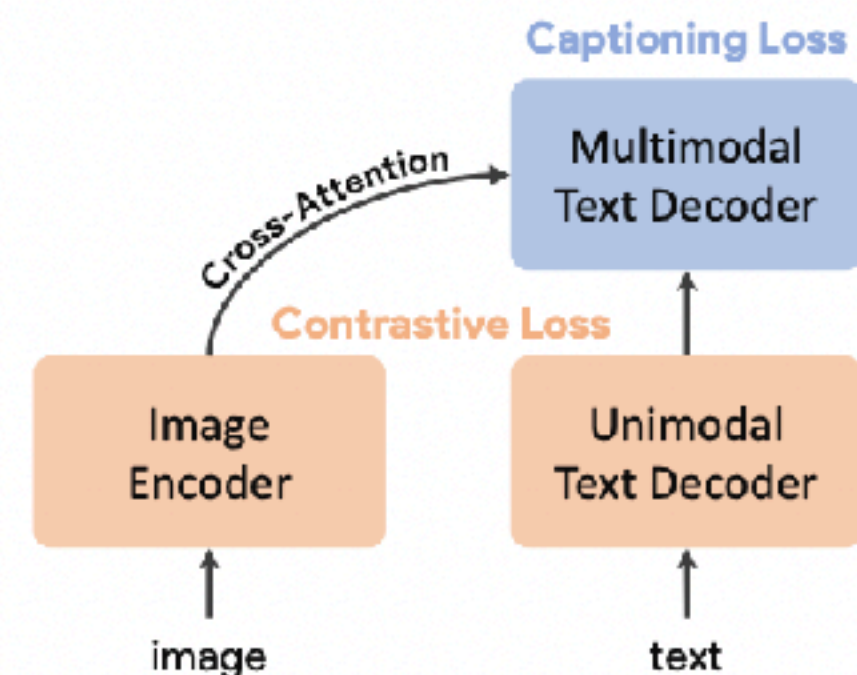
- 1) The sparse attention in GPT-3 would lead to only looking at parts of the image
- 2) GPT-2 does the captioning job well enough, so no need for GPT-3
- 3) It wouldn't work

Question 2: why is the transformer-adaptation (& freezing GPT-2) variant nice?

- 1) There's no catastrophic forgetting in the language model
- 2) The language model can be made very efficient
- 3) Transformers are faster than fully connected layers
- 4) The number of parameters doesn't depend on the number of CLIP's visual output size

CoCa: Contrastive Captioners are Image-Text Foundation Models

https://colab.research.google.com/github/mlfoundations/open_clip/blob/master/docs/Interacting_with_open_coca.ipynb

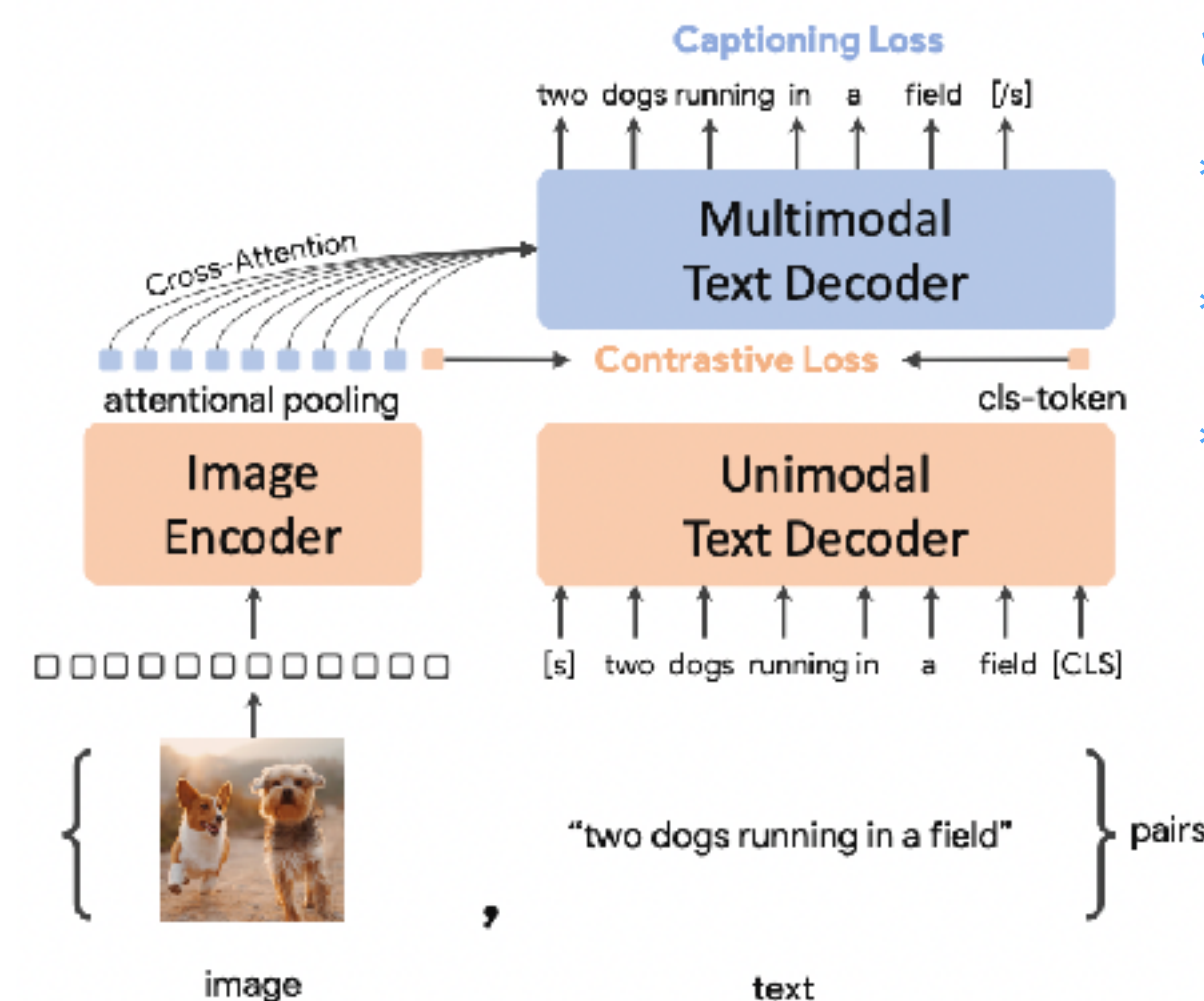


CoCa

Pretraining

Caption generation is autoregressive, starting from a [start] token

How it works:



CLIP-like contrastive aligning of [cls] tokens

discriminative

auto-regressive decoding:

- * start with a [start] token
- * this needs to get mapped to the first word
- * first sampled word (+[start]) needs to get mapped to second etc

generative

What you can do with CoCa

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Scale it

Model	Image Encoder			Text Decoder				Image / Text		
	Layers	MLP	Params	n_{uni}	n_{multi}	MLP	Params	Hidden	Heads	Total Params
CoCa-Base	12	3072	86M	12	12	3072	297M	768	12	383M
CoCa-Large	24	4096	303M	12	12	4096	484M	1024	16	787M
CoCa	40	6144	1B	18	18	5632	1.1B	1408	16	2.1B

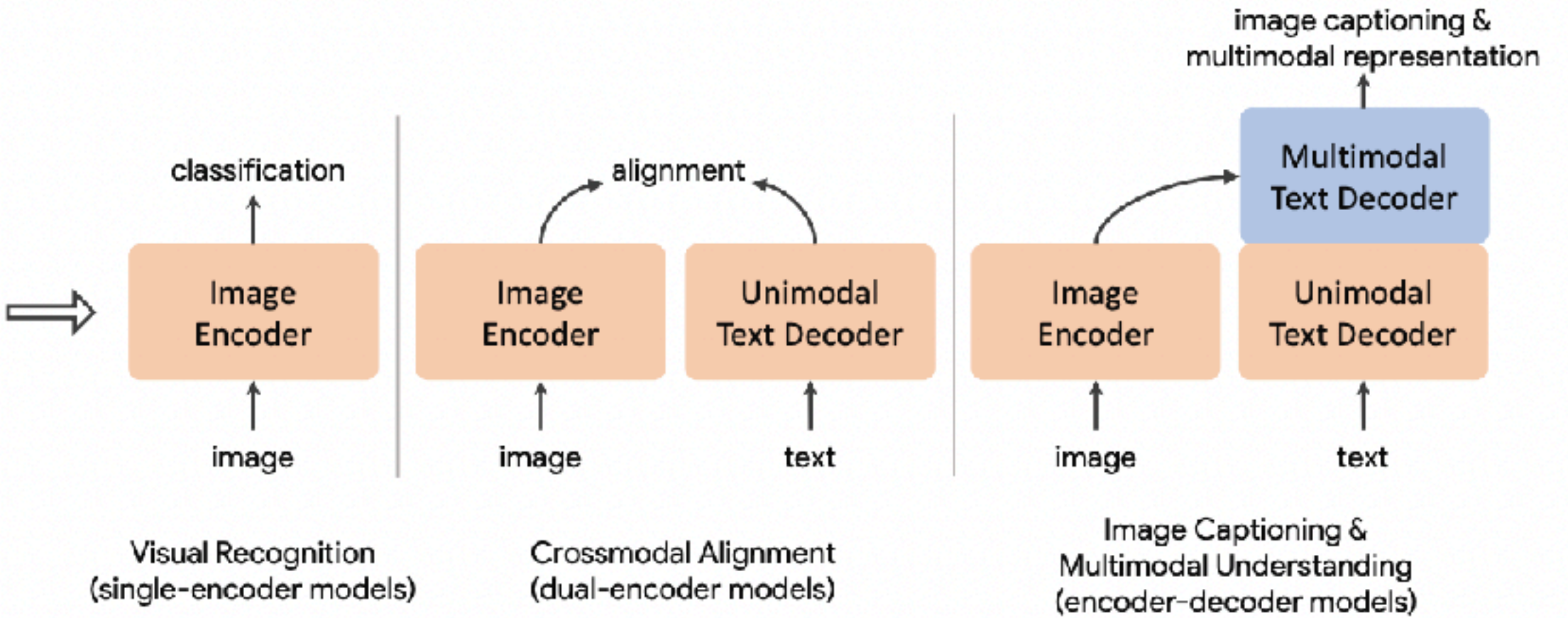
Use the visual encoder

Model	ImageNet	ImageNet-A	ImageNet-R	ImageNet-V2	ImageNet-Sketch	ObjectNet	Average
CLIP [12]	76.2	77.2	88.9	70.1	60.2	72.3	74.3
ALIGN [13]	76.4	75.8	92.2	70.1	64.8	72.2	74.5
FILIP [61]	78.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florence [14]	83.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
LiT [32]	84.5	79.4	93.9	78.7	-	81.1	-
BASIC [33]	85.7	85.6	95.7	80.6	76.1	78.9	83.7
CoCa-Base	82.6	76.4	93.2	76.5	71.7	71.6	78.7
CoCa-Large	84.8	85.7	95.6	79.6	75.7	78.6	83.3
CoCa	86.3	90.2	96.5	80.7	77.6	82.7	85.7

Table 4: Zero-shot image classification results on ImageNet [9], ImageNet-A [64], ImageNet-R [65], ImageNet-V2 [66], ImageNet-Sketch [67] and ObjectNet [68].

We use the JFT-3B dataset [21] with label names as the paired texts, and the ALIGN dataset [13] with noisy alt-texts.

Pretraining CoCa takes about 5 days on 2,048 CloudTPUv4 chips 🥲

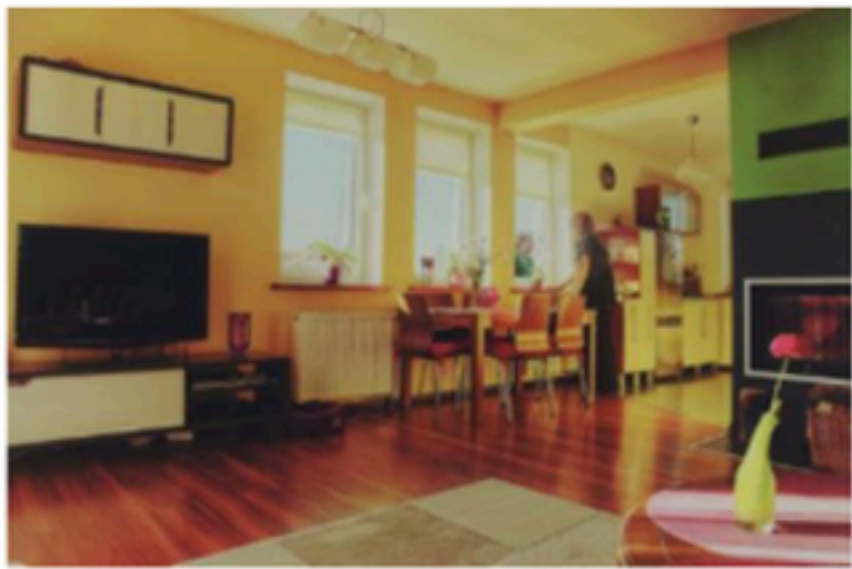


Zero-shot, frozen-feature or finetuning

Generate captions



What you can do with visual-language models: Multi-modal understanding, e.g. VQA



Q1: Which object in this image is most related to entertainment?
A1: TV.
R1: Television → Performing Arts → Entertainment.

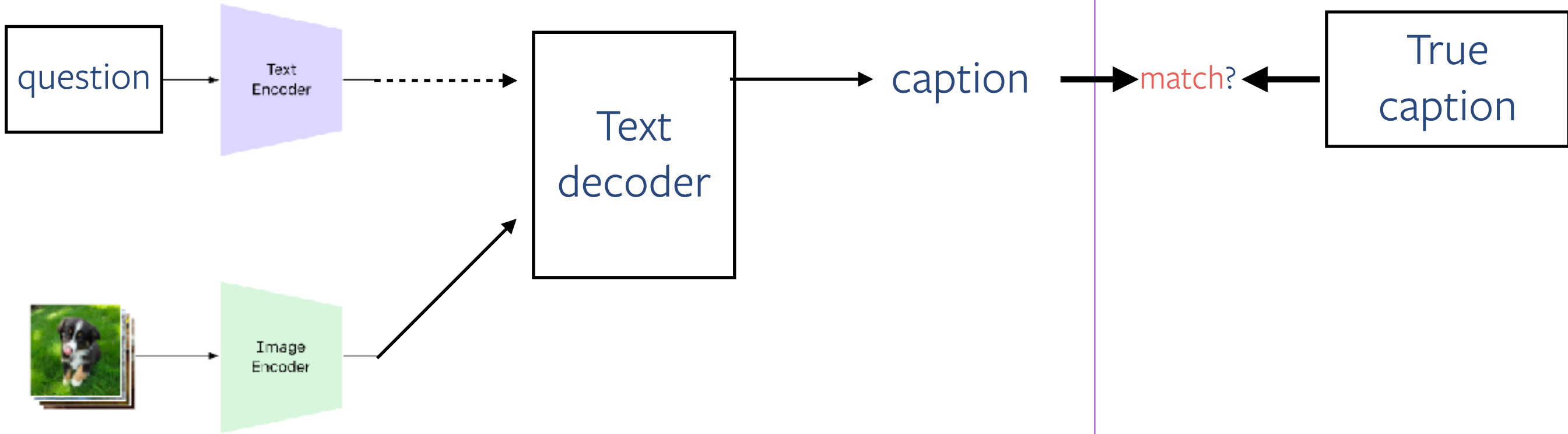
Q4: How many road vehicles in this image?
A4: Three.
R4: There are two trucks and one car.

Approach	UU	UB
Prior	27.38	24.04
Language-only	48.21	41.40
d-LSTM+n-I [24]	54.40	47.56
HieCoAtt [25]	57.09	50.31
MCB [9]	60.36	54.22

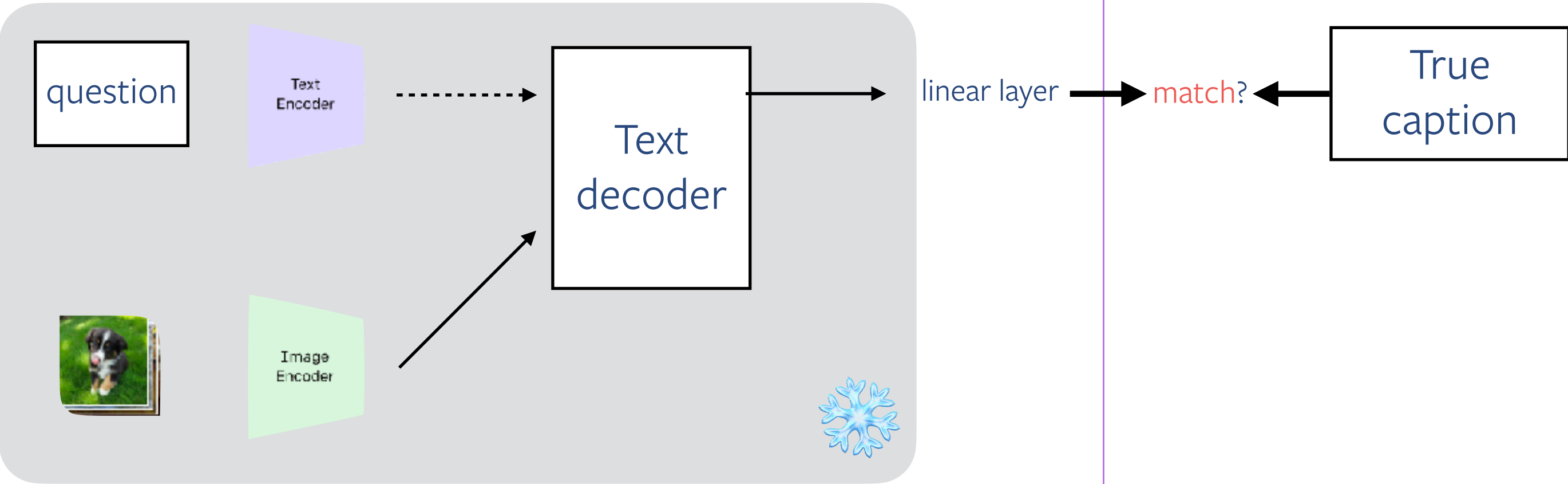
Note: some questions could be answered without image
--> VQA-v2 (balanced images to each question)



open-ended

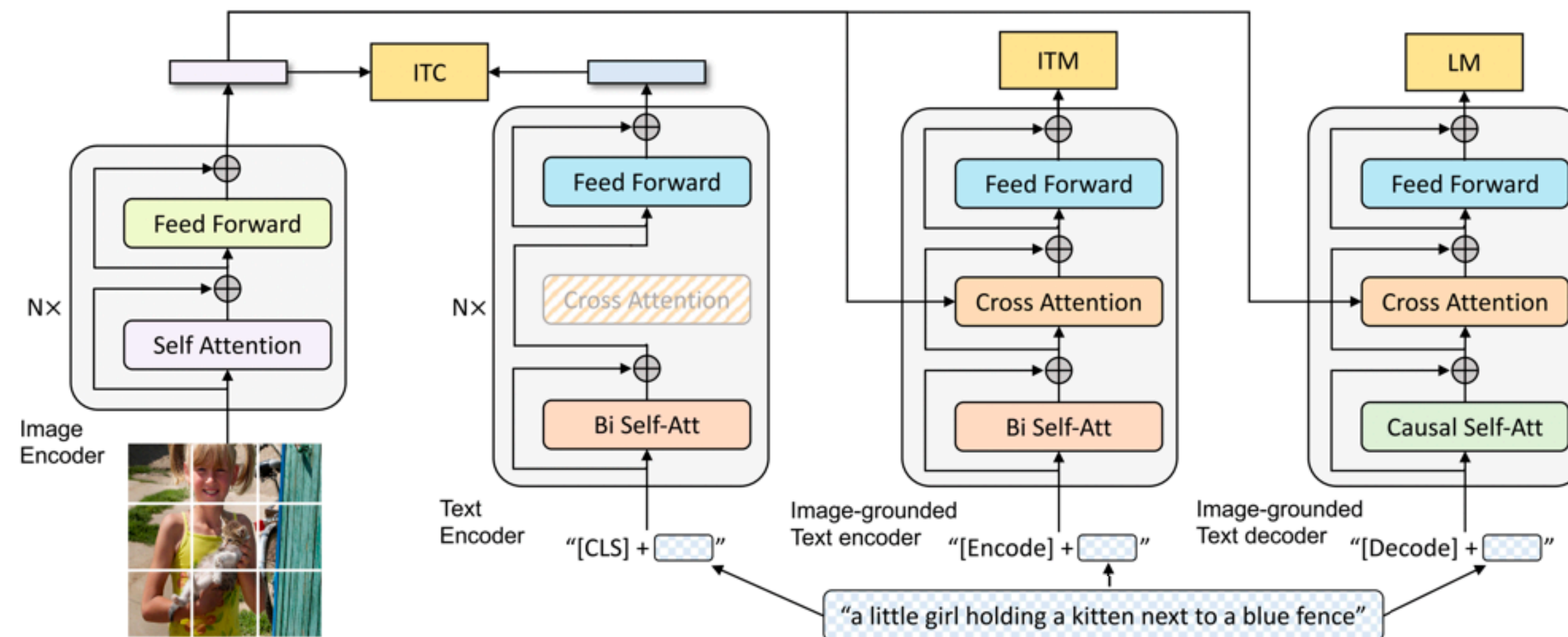


discriminative



BLIP: Bootstrapping Language-Image Pre-training for Unified Vision-Language Understanding and Generation

https://github.com/huggingface/notebooks/blob/main/examples/image_captioning_blip.ipynb



ITC: Image-text contrastive learning
ITM: Image-text binary matching (yes?/no?)
LM: autoregressive captioning

+ iterative data filtering and dataset expansion strategy
by using synthetic captions via LM (~text augmentation) as GT
and ITM&ITC model as filtering

diverse captions (sample with some non-zero temperature from your captioning model) help

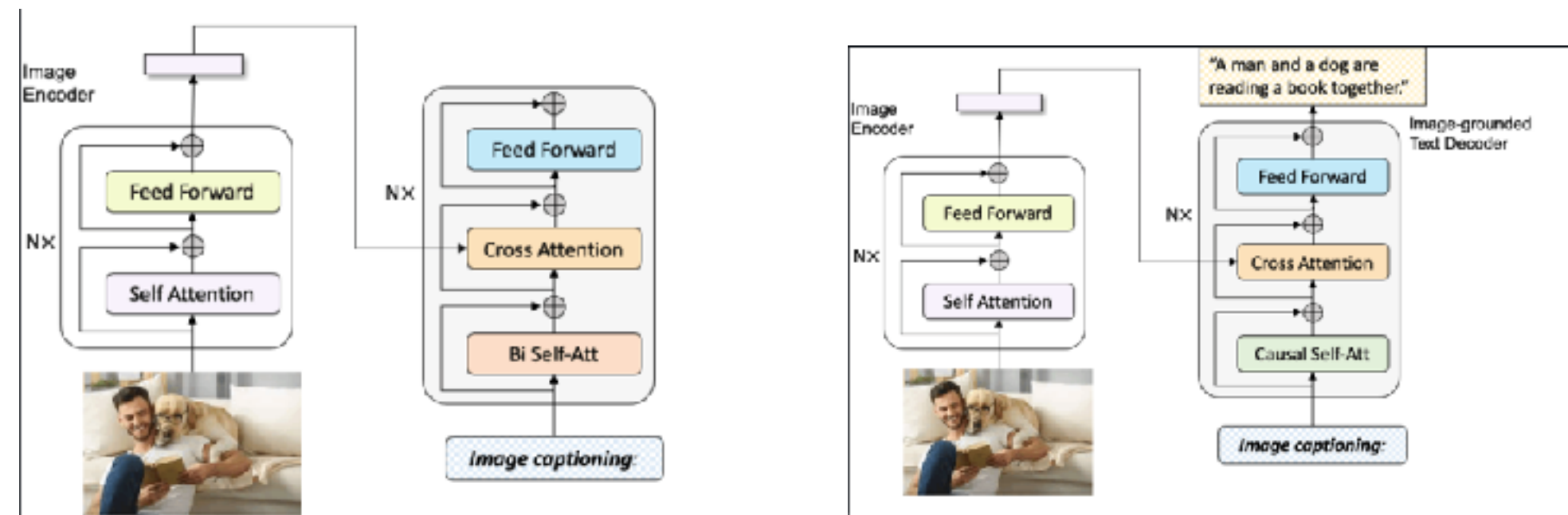
32 GPUs

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Various usage modes:

image-caption matching, image-captioning



Text & image encoding & text decoder allows for more flexible applications:

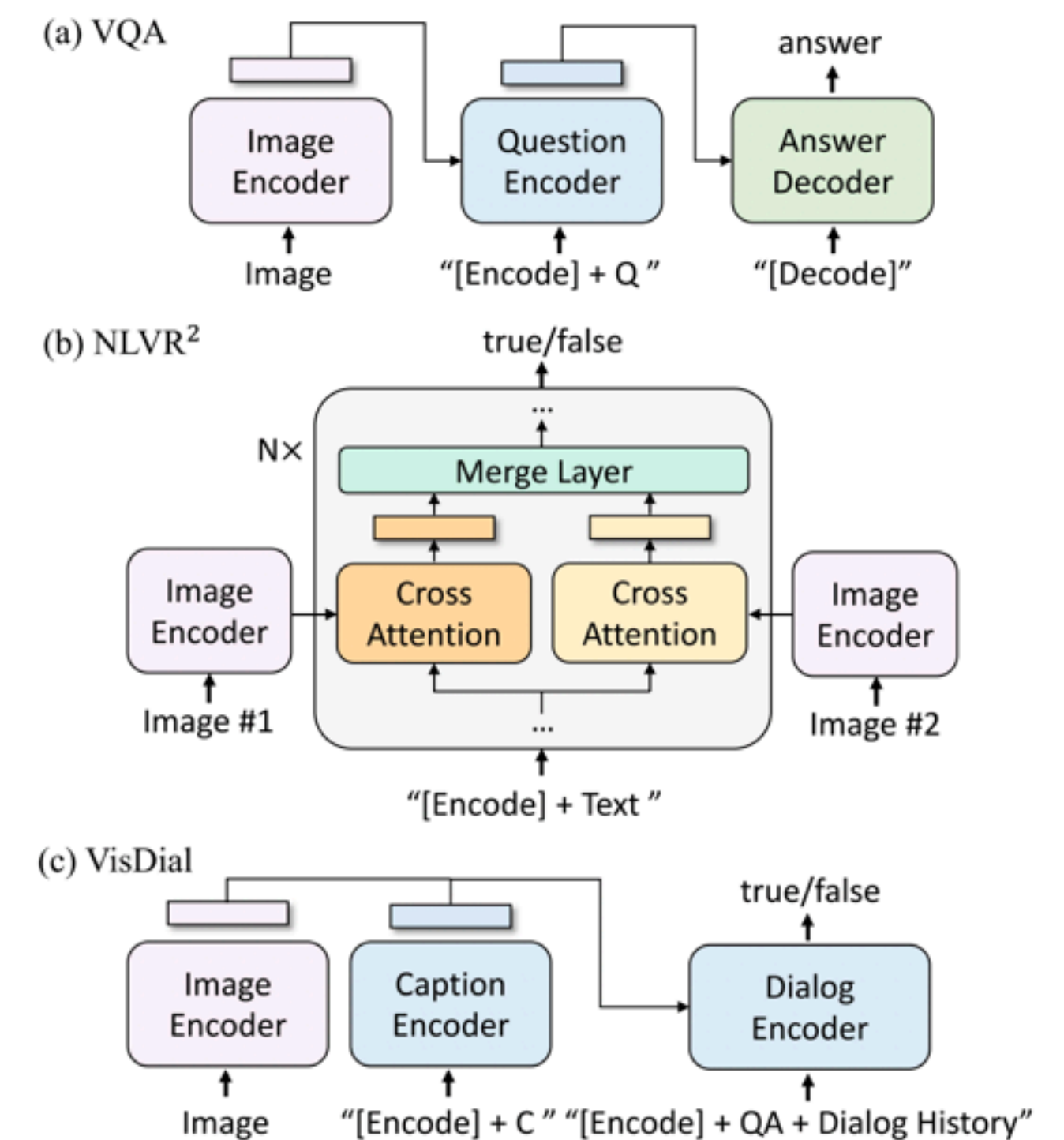
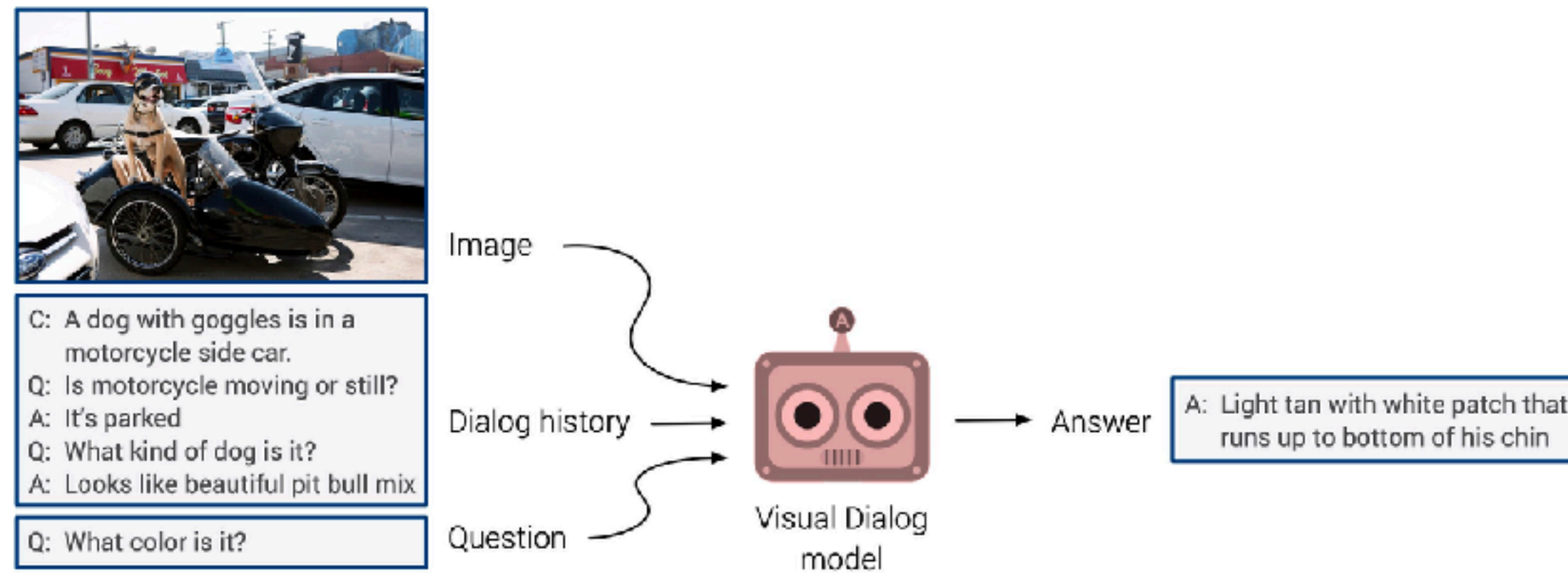
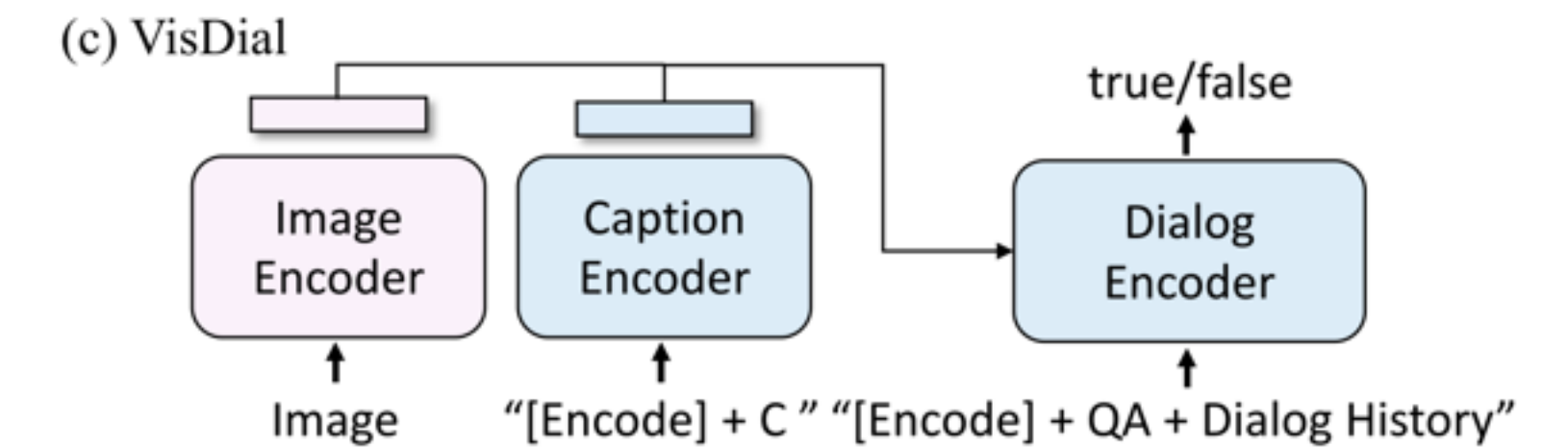


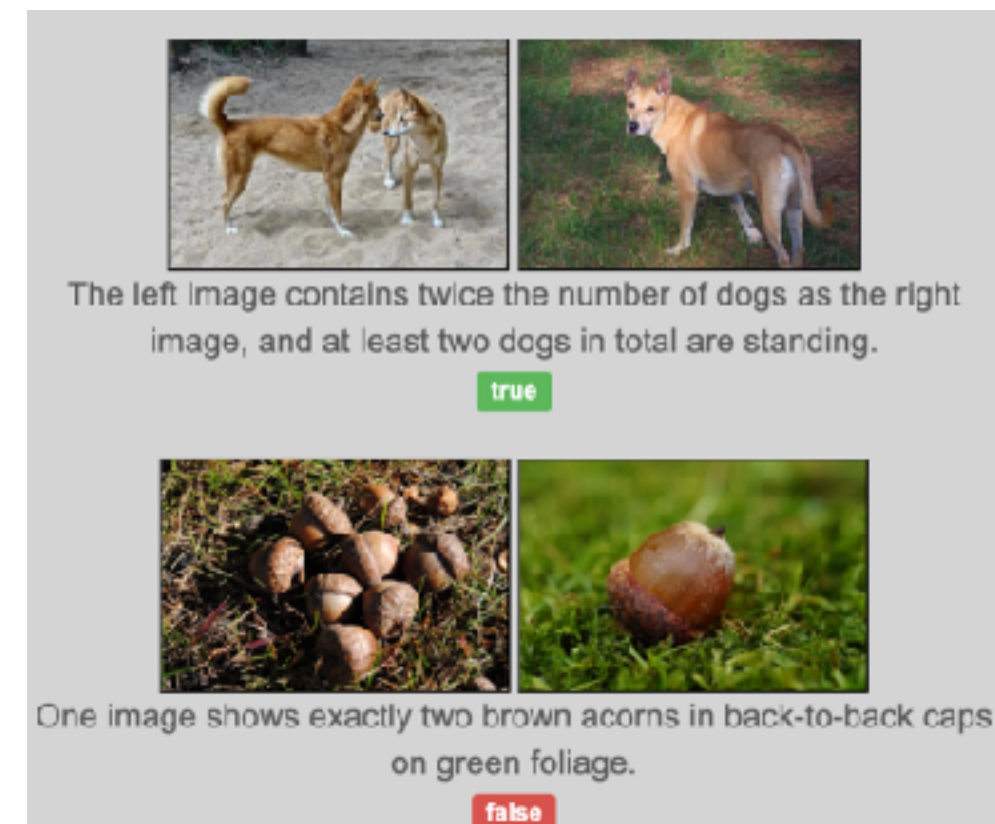
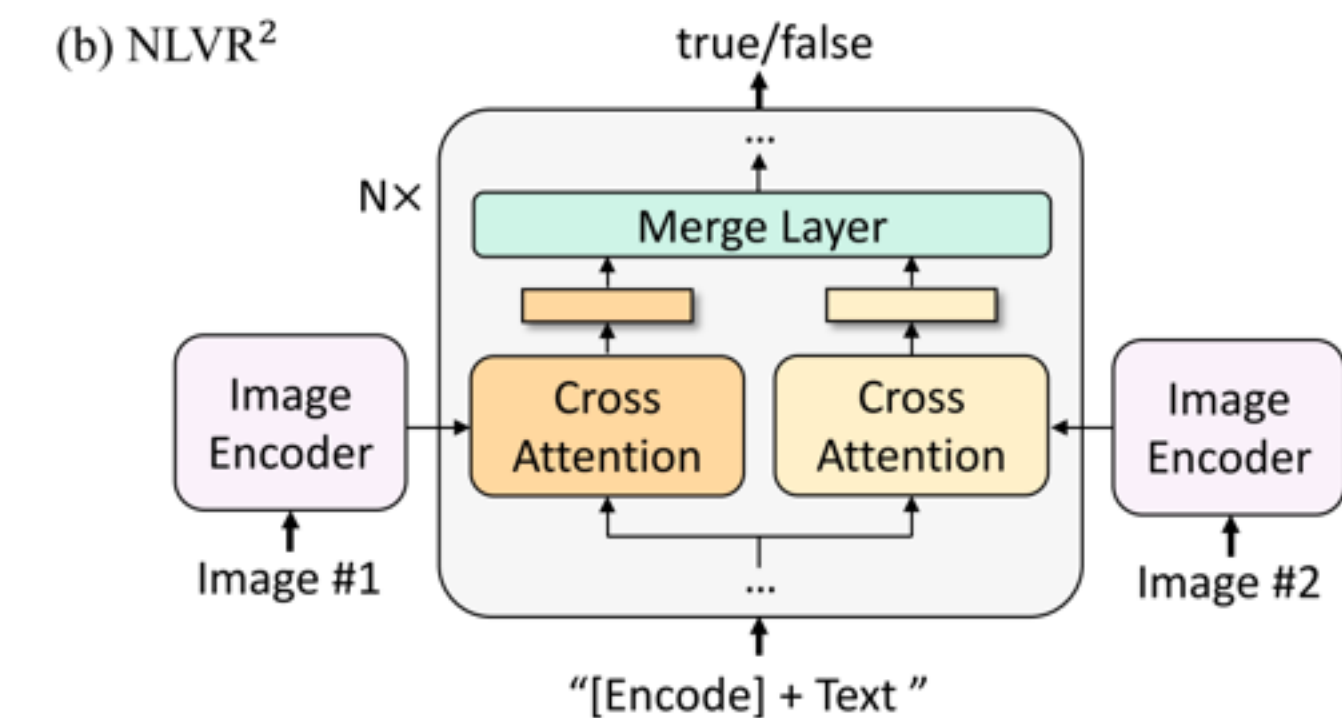
Figure 5. Model architecture for the downstream tasks. Q: question; C: caption; QA: question-answer pair.

What you can do with visual-language models: Multi-modal understanding, e.g.

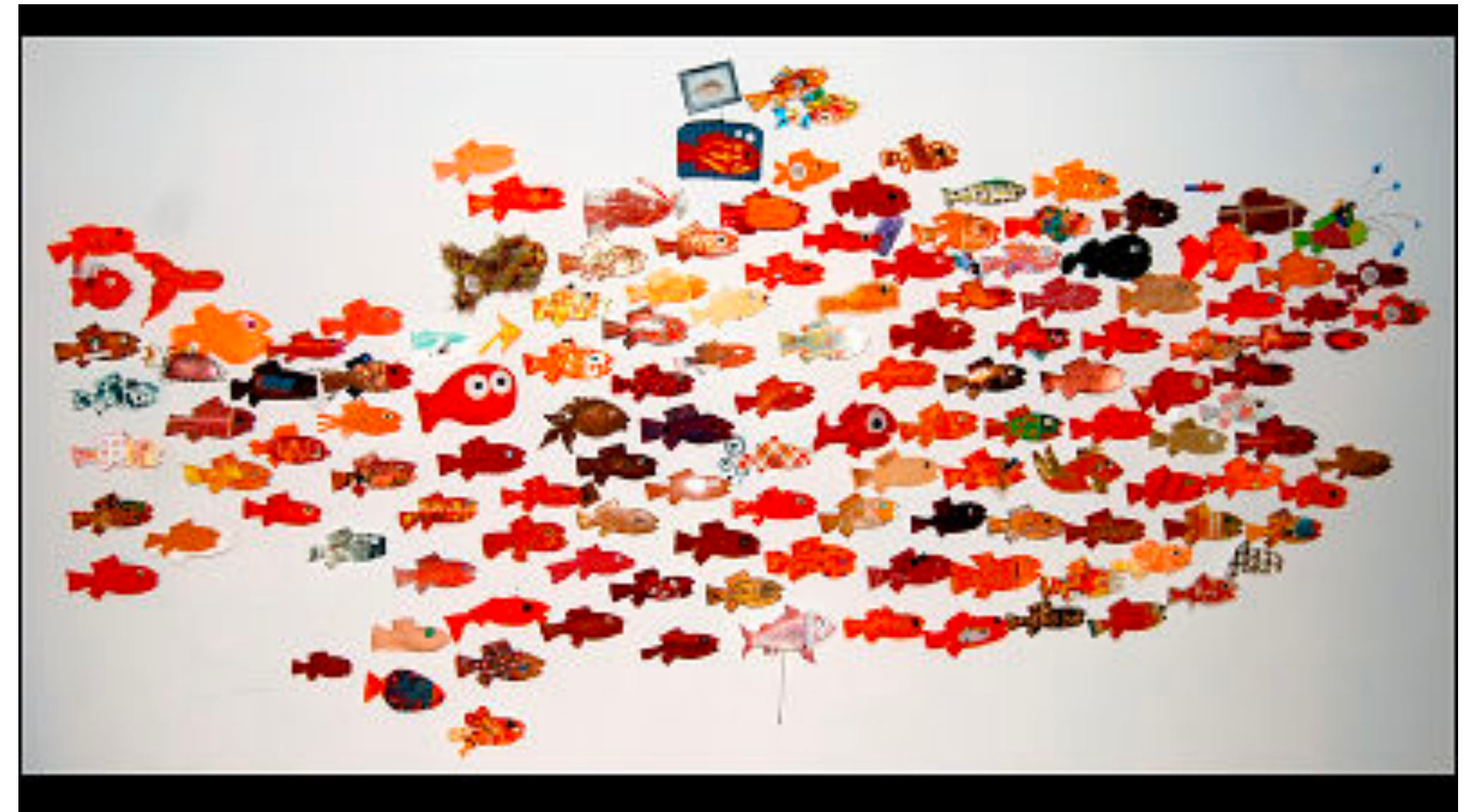
VisDial (here: discriminative)



NLVR2 discriminative



Extending context and emergence



FROMAGe: Grounding Language Models to Images for Multimodal Generation

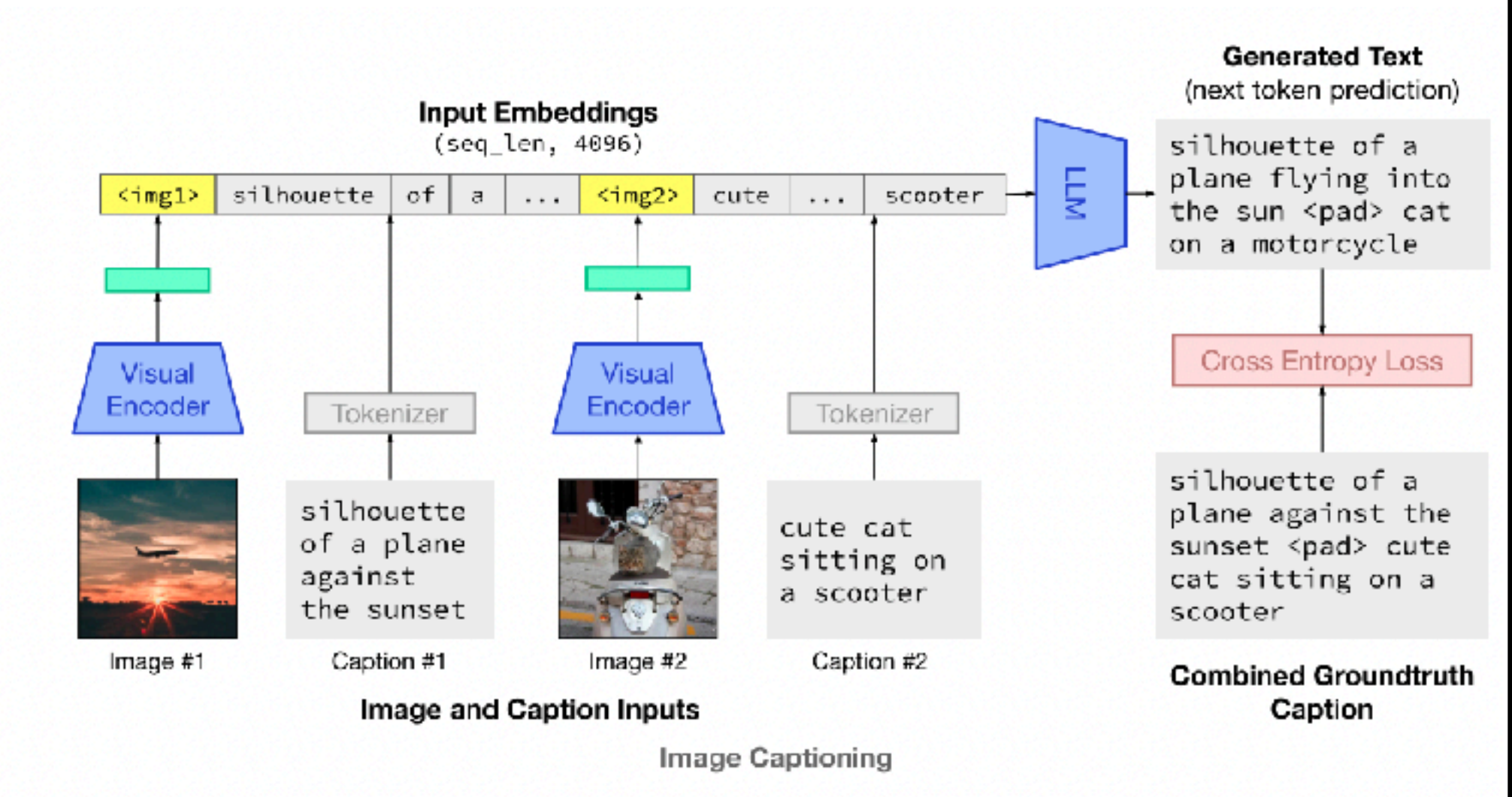
<https://huggingface.co/spaces/jykoh/fromage>



FROMAGe
(**F**rozen **R**etrieval **O**ver **M**ultimodal Data
for **A**utoregressive **G**eneration)

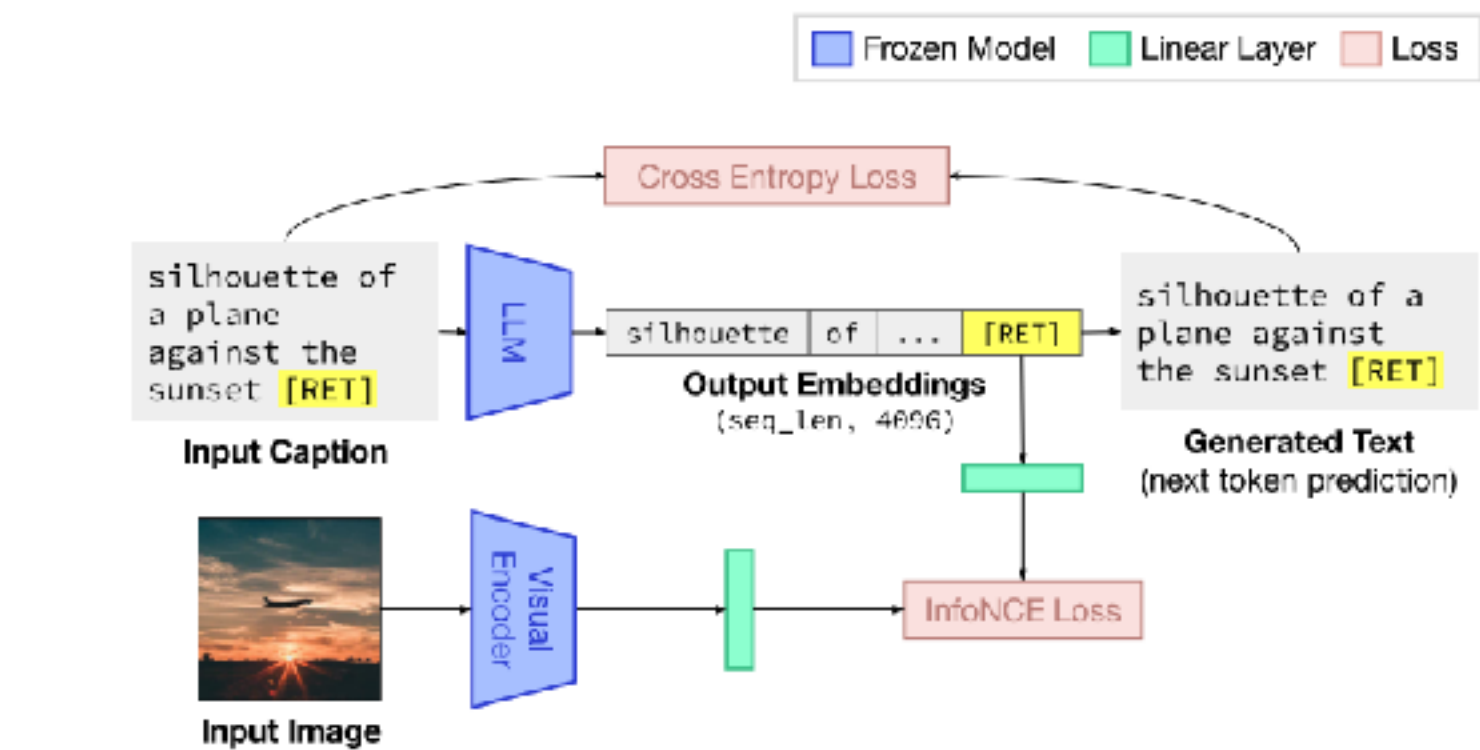
Reminder: catchy names matter!

Training with
1) captioning (like ClipCap)



“Data length” augmentation: with 50%
two samples are concatenated

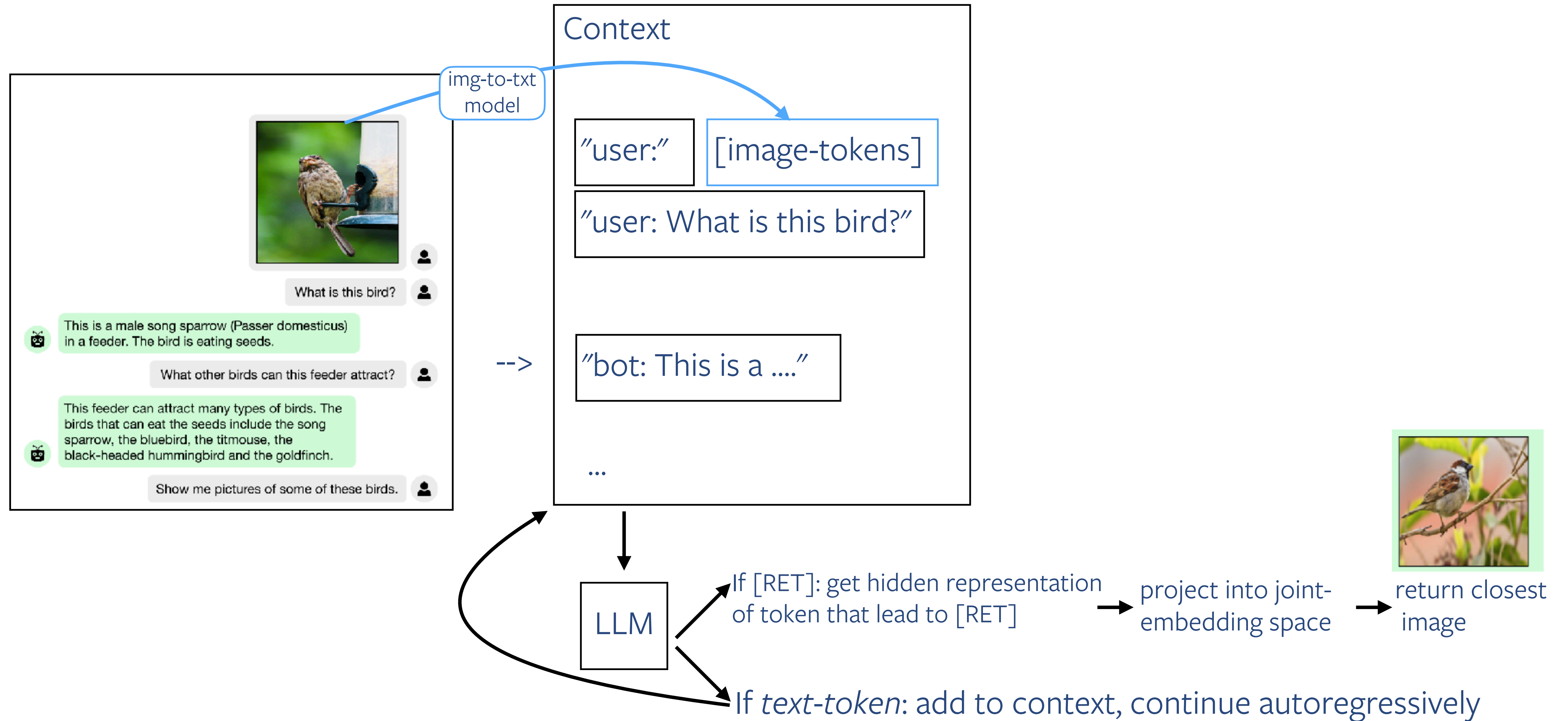
2) image retrieval/contrastive re-id (like BLIP’s ITC)



Allows model to answer with an image: learn
a [RET] token

Trained by appending it at end of caption.

To make the last point clearer:



Results

I am thinking of an animal. It is brown and furry, and has a tail. What is it?

A squirrel.

No, the animal I am thinking of lives in the river.

A beaver.

That's right, what do beavers look like?

They have a tail.

Show me an illustration of a beaver

A beaver.


Yes, what about a pencil drawing of one?



What about a photo of one?

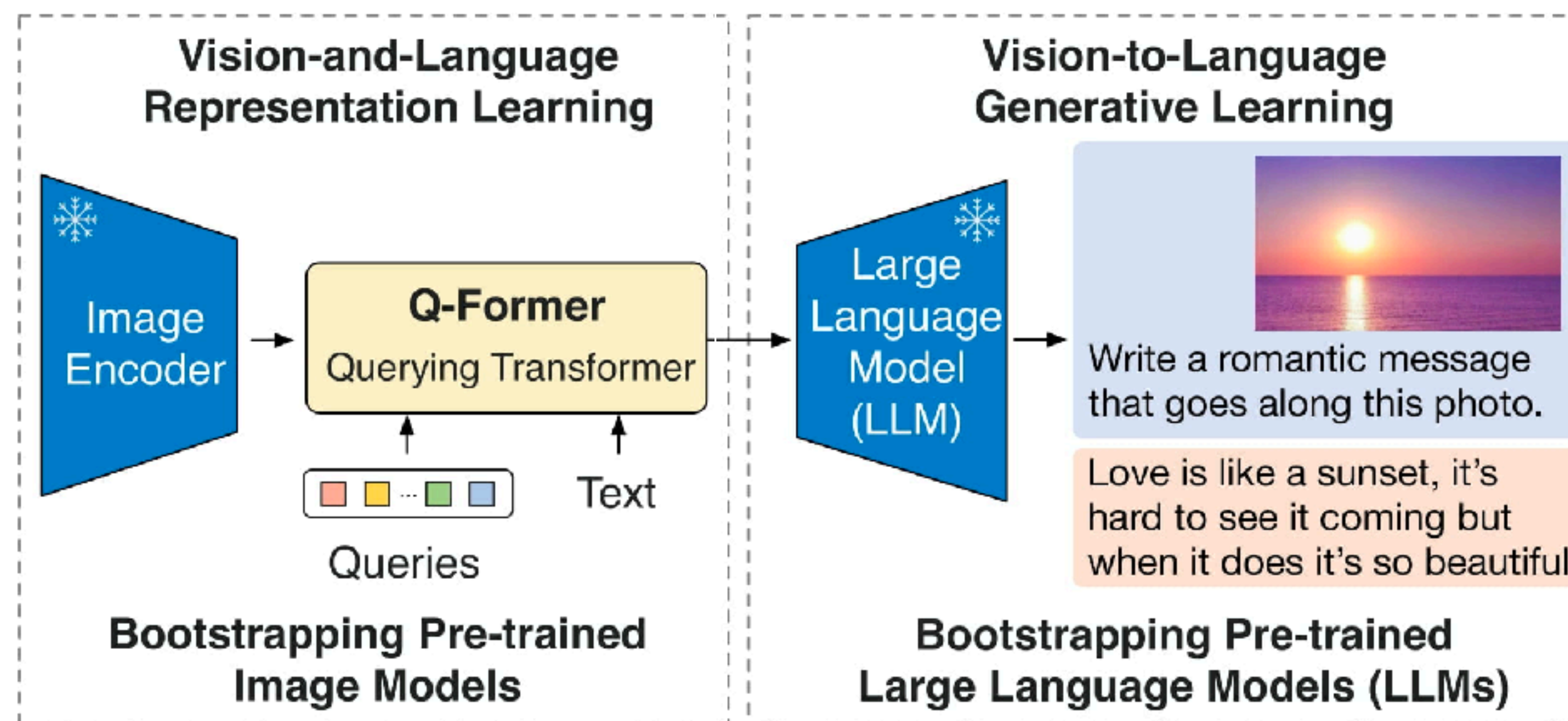




+ more examples.
What can your imagination come up with as tasks?

BLIP-2: Bootstrapping Language-Image Pre-training with Frozen Image Encoders and Large Language Models

https://github.com/NielsRogge/Transformers-Tutorials/blob/master/BLIP-2/Chat_with_BLIP_2.ipynb



Stage 1: train like BLIP

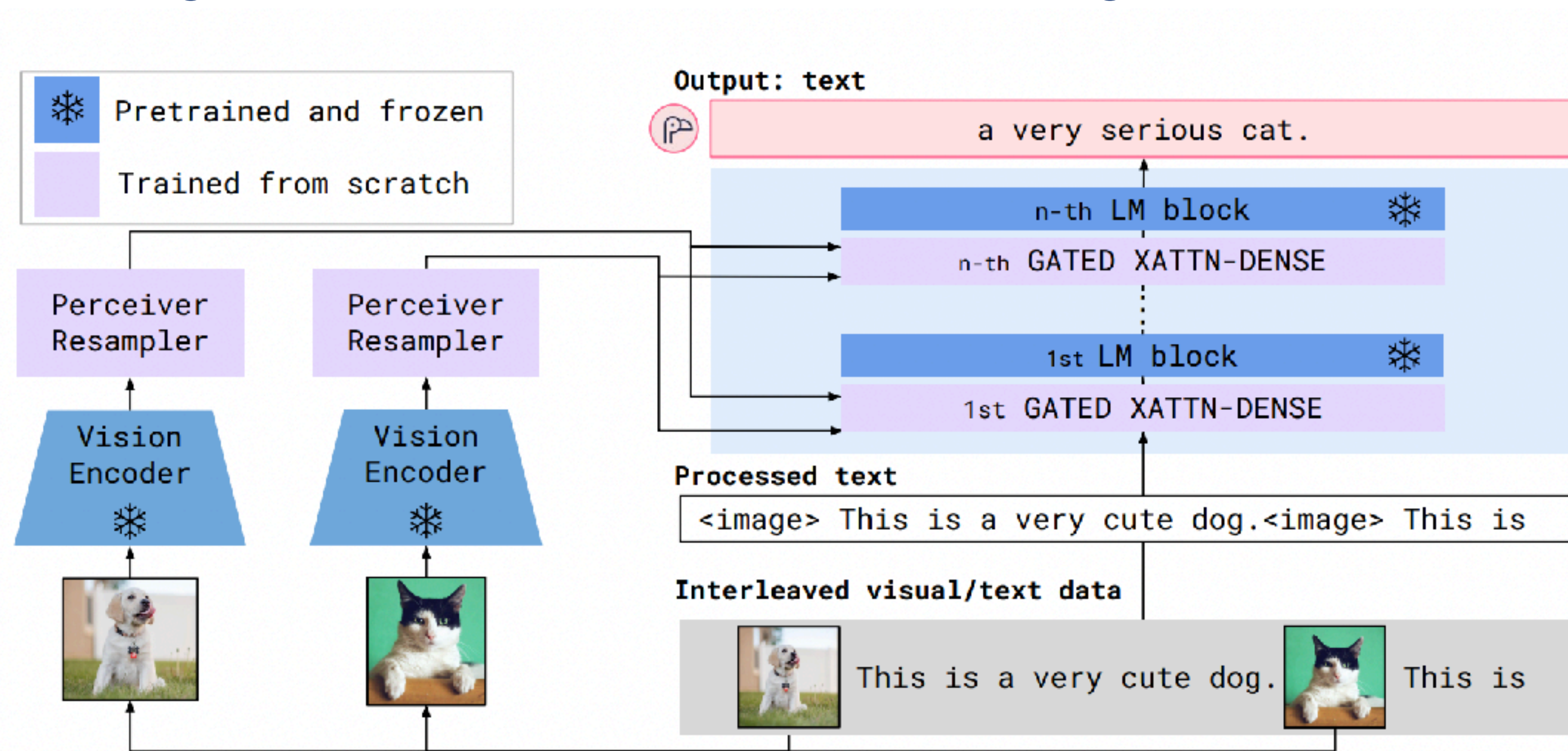
Stage 2: train for captioning with LLM

- Key idea: first pretrain to align to LLM space with only using a BERT, and then in second stage use a large LLM

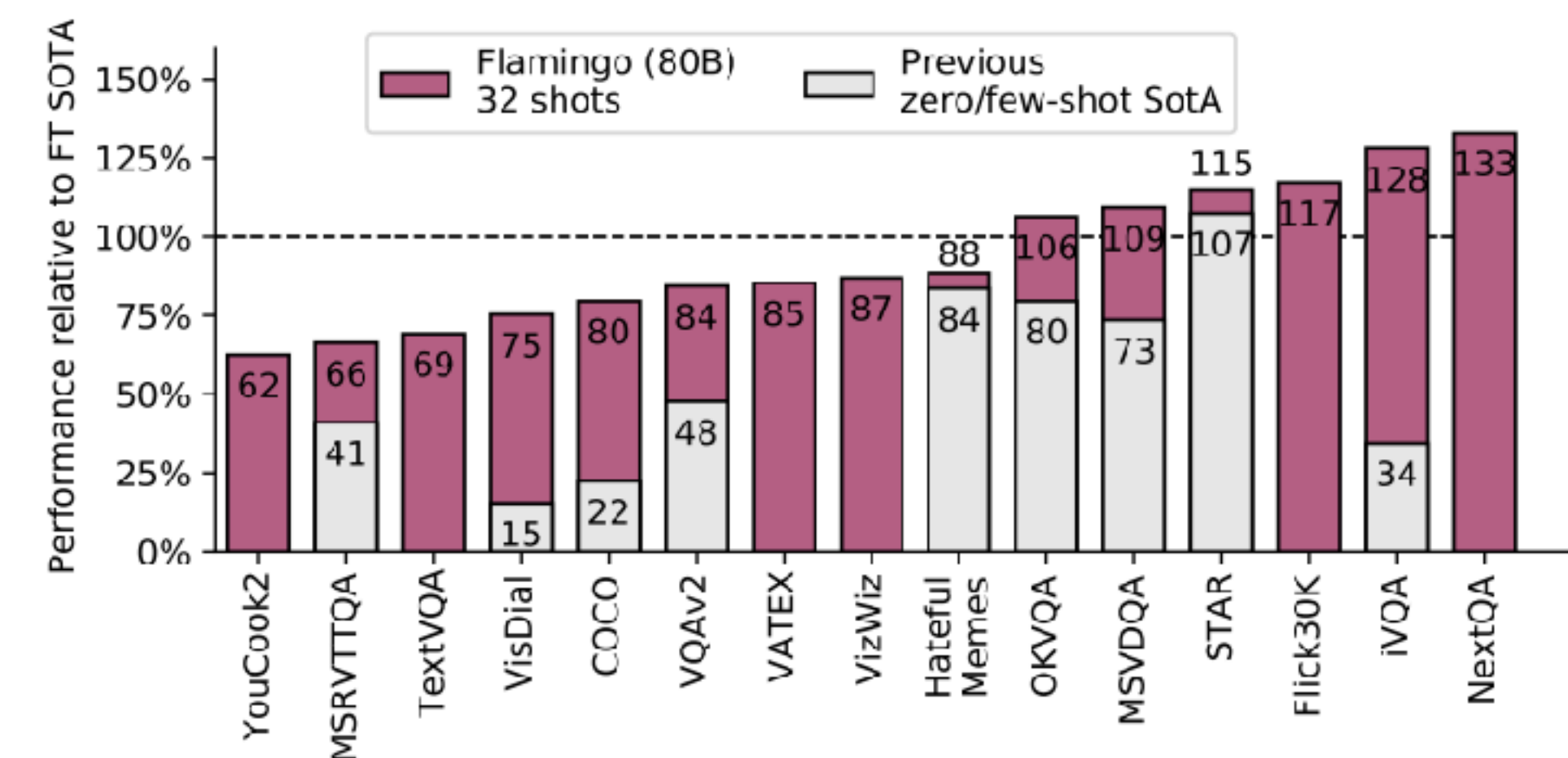
Two chatbot interfaces are shown, each with a user icon and a bot icon. The first interface shows a photo of a man and a chicken, with the user asking "What are shown in the photo?" and the bot replying "A man and a chicken." The second interface shows a photo of a pizza, with the user asking "What are the ingredients I need to make this?" and the bot replying "Pepperoni, mozzarella cheese, pizza sauce, olive oil, salt, pepper, basil."

Flamingo: a Visual Language Model for Few-Shot Learning

https://github.com/mlfoundations/open_flamingo



- Uses sota frozen LLM, contrastive pretrained CNN
- Introduces zero-initted learnable attention blocks
- Trained on 43M webpages, each including ≤ 5 imgs, plus text + ALIGN's 1.8B text-image pairs + 27M videos
- Uses Perceiver (a transformer) to produced fixed context vision input size
- Very strong performance



Frozen: Multimodal Few-Shot Learning with Frozen Language Models



Method:

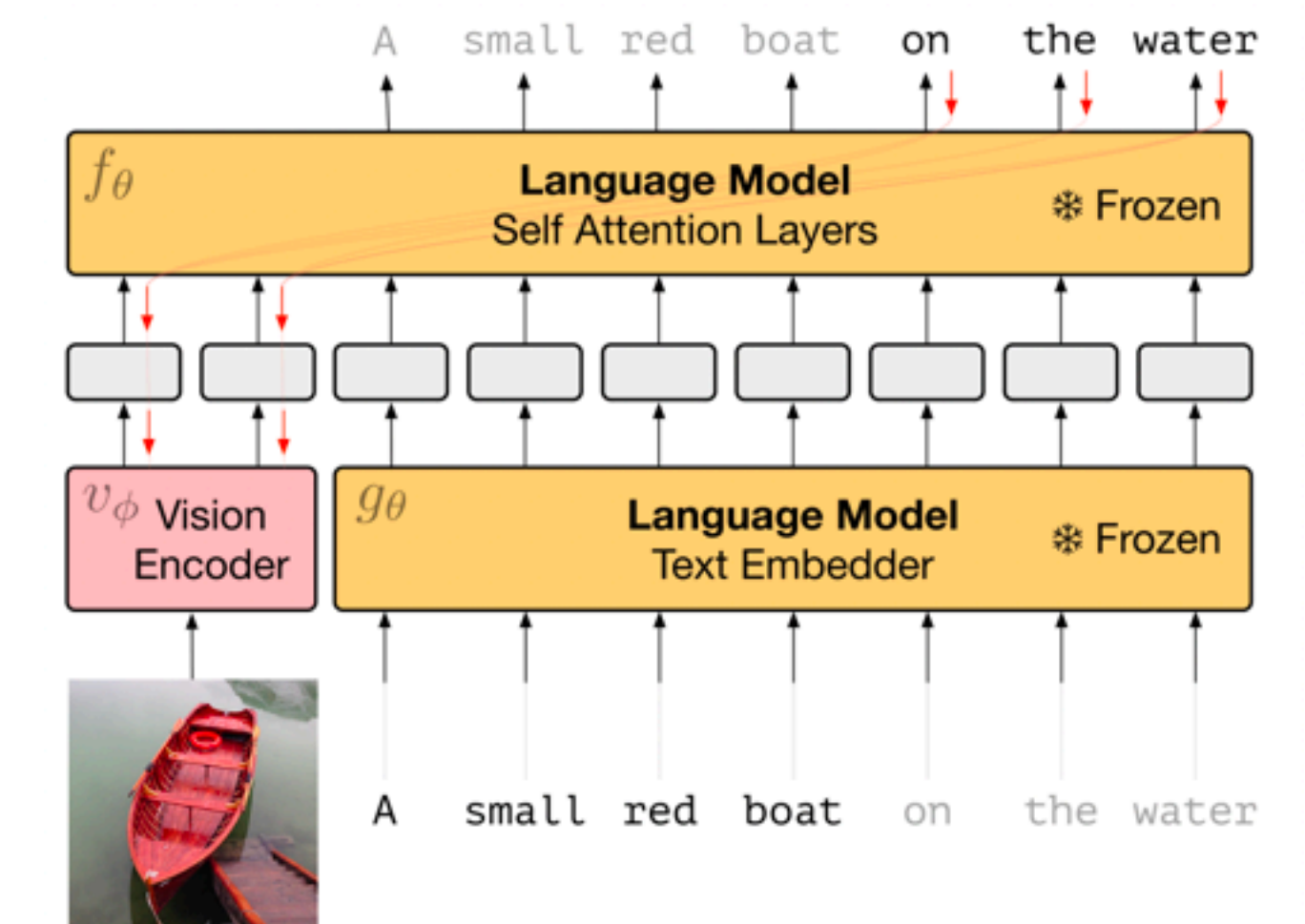


Figure 2: Gradients through a frozen language model's self attention layers are used to train the vision encoder.