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KNOWLEDGE

DISTILLATION

Strike balance between efficiency & performance

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What have we learned?

01 TRANSFORMER

What are they?

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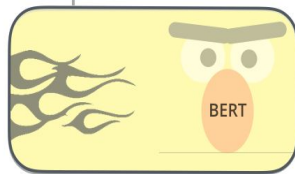
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Dataset:

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Classifier

75% Spam
25% Not Spam

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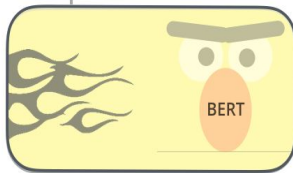
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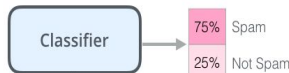
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- **Very powerful**
 - >90 % of all State-of-the-Art (SotA) today in Text

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02

EFFICIENCY



LARGE

GPU usually used
for *inference*



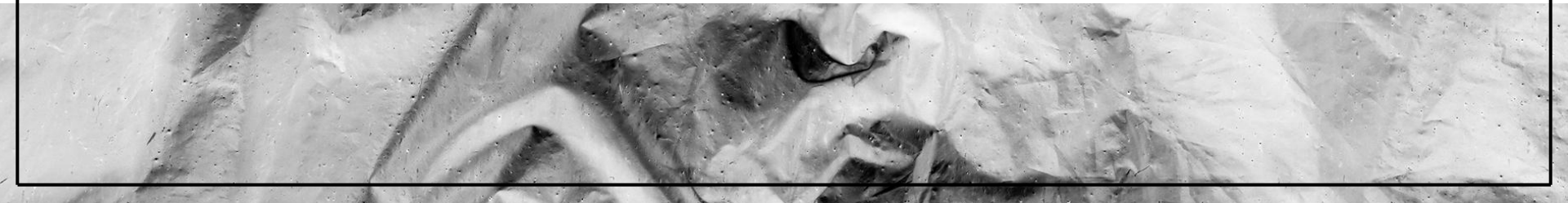
GROWING

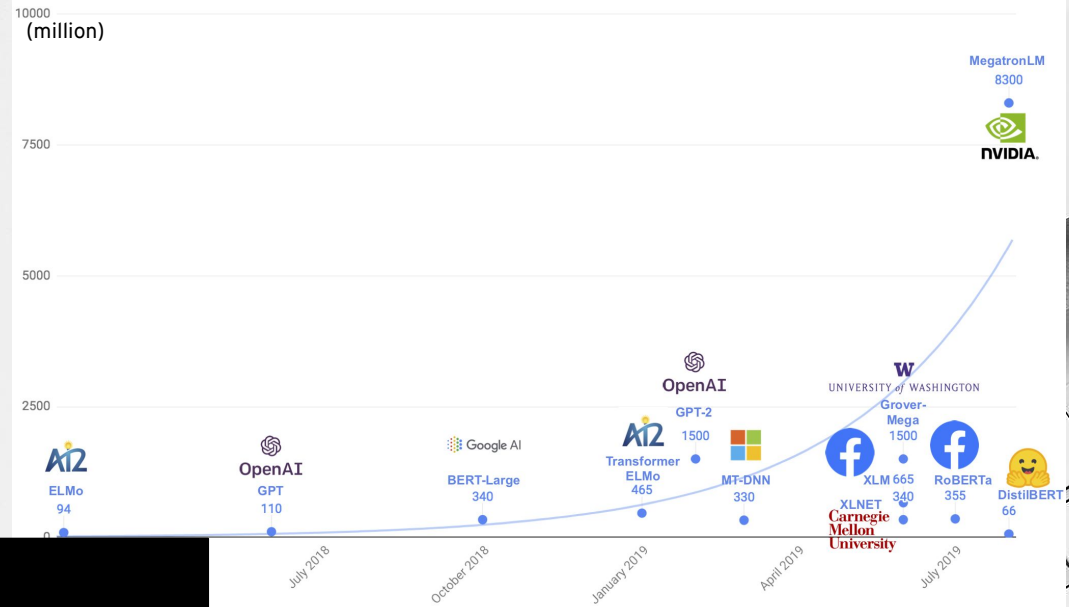
Scales incredibly
well with data & size

8800%

PARAMETER INCREASE

(2018-2019)





“This is stupid and wonderful.”

—Hampus Londögård



03

QUANTIZATION



REDUCE PRECISION

To reduce the total
layer size.

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QUANTIZATION



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QUANTIZATION

f32 → int8

~ 1/4th size

~ 4x faster

< 0.5% performance loss*

(* most of transformers)

04 DISTILLATION

How to distill knowledge

KNOWLEDGE DISTILLATION



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MODEL COMPRESSION

Compressing a model
E.g. 12 to 6 layers



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MODEL CHANGE

Transformer → RNN
($< 1/10$ th of size)

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330M



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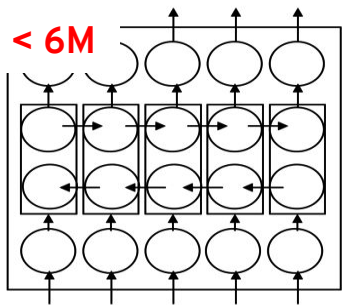
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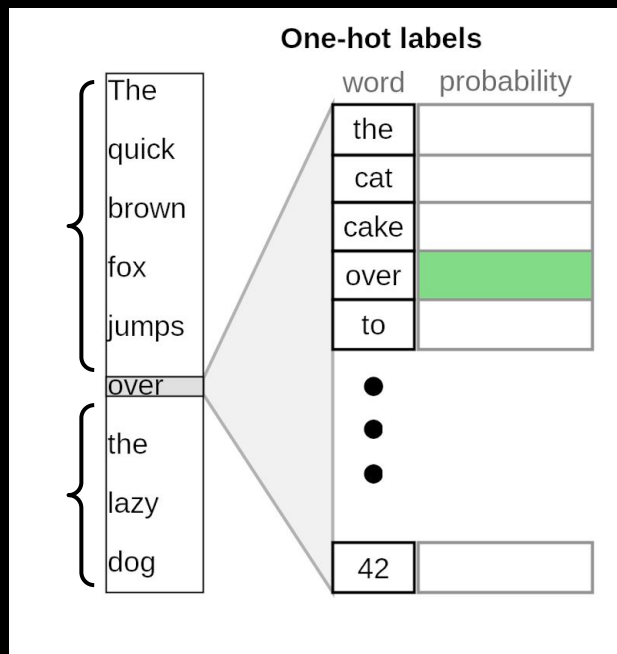


STUDENT ARCHITECTURE

What your end-goal is

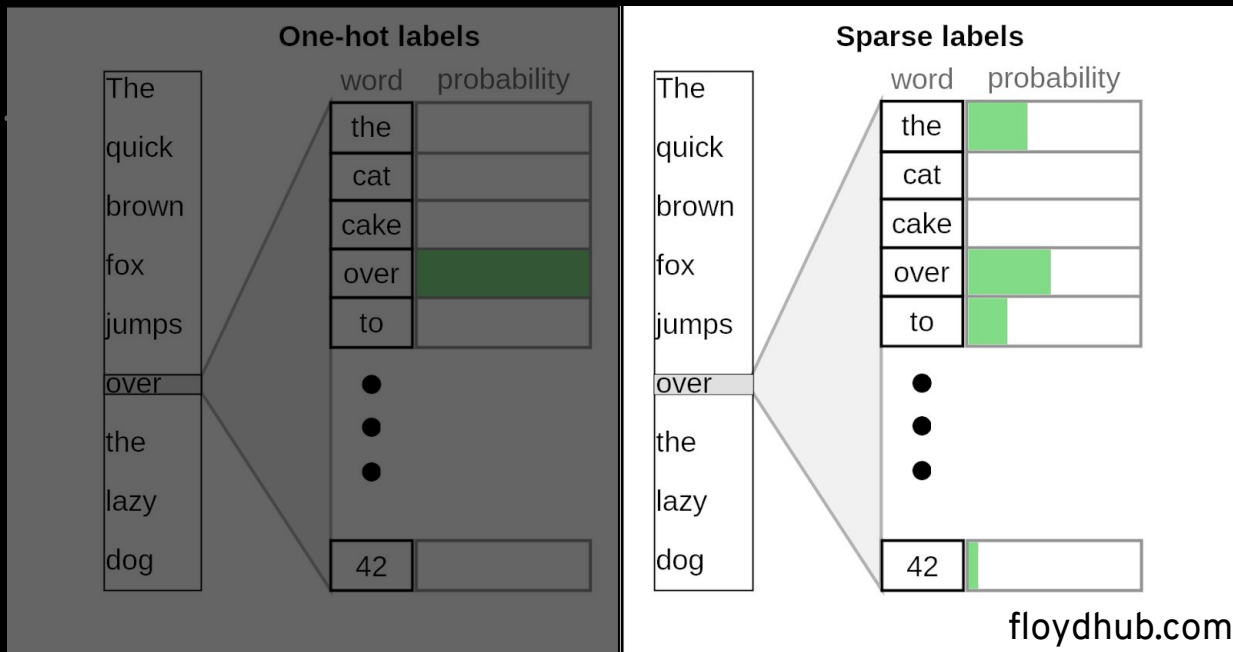
LABELS

Predict based
on context



SOFT LABELS

Sometimes 'Sparse Labels'

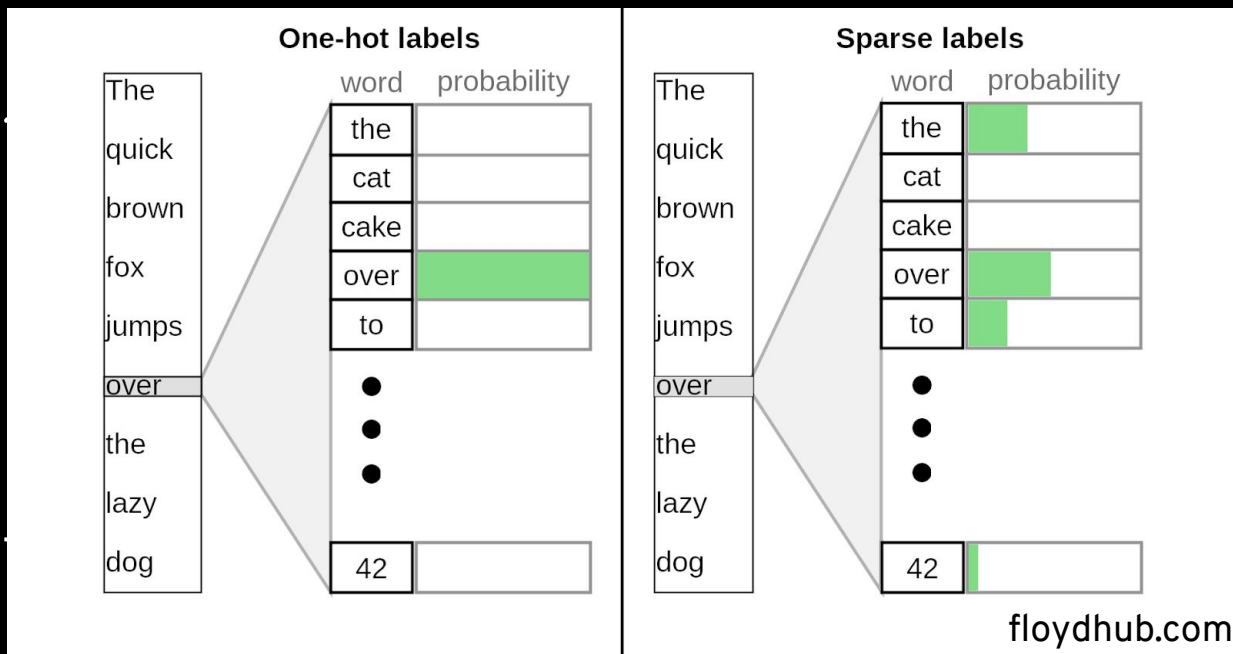


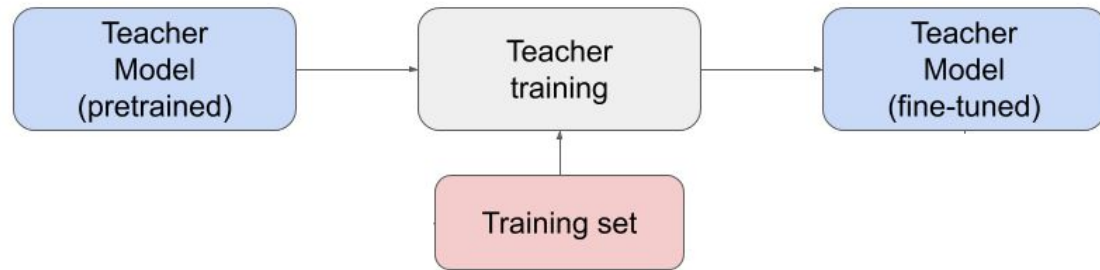
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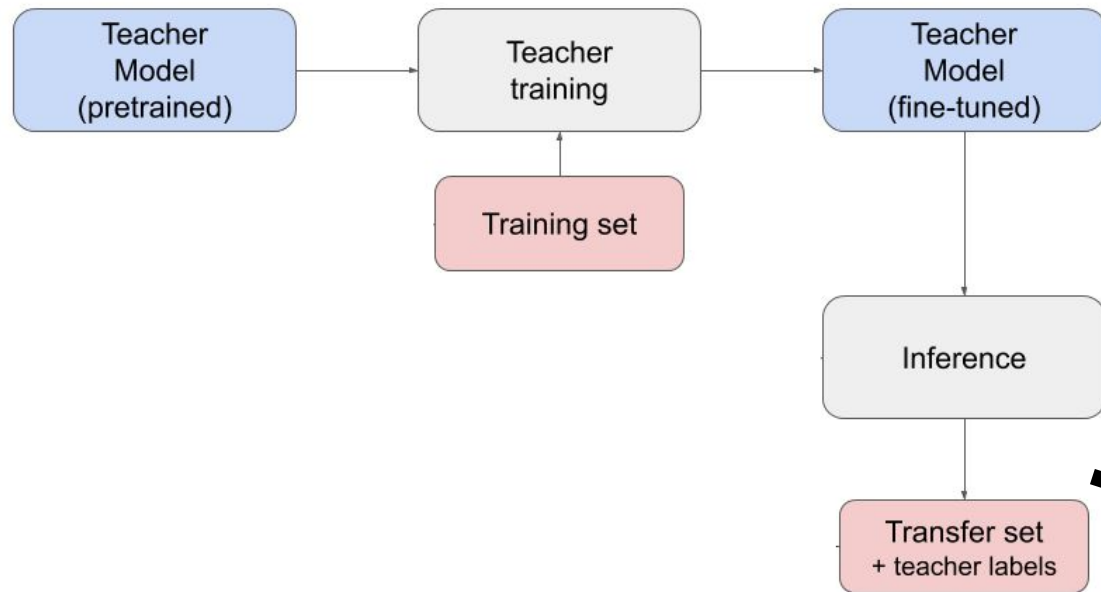
End-goal: Gather more information with less data

Teacher creates *Soft Labels*

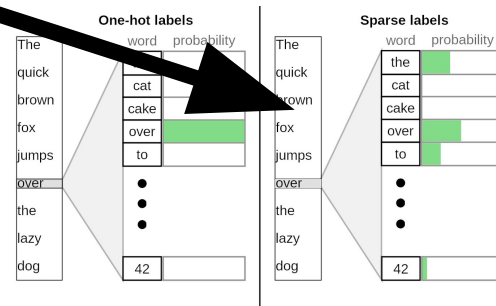


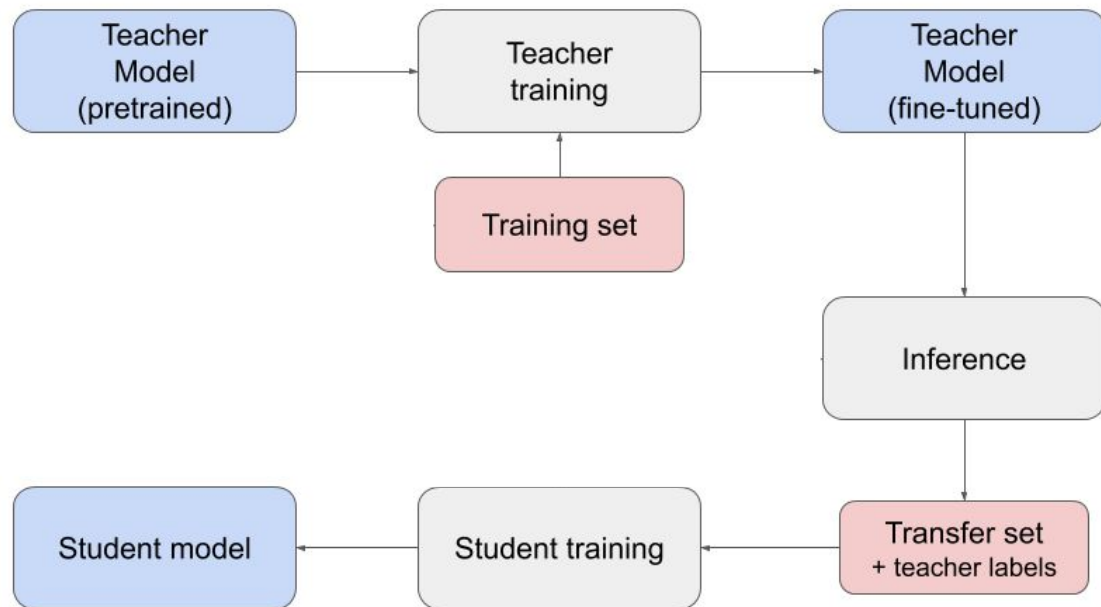


WORKFLOW



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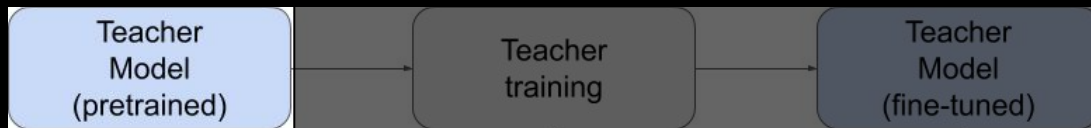
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Let's code 

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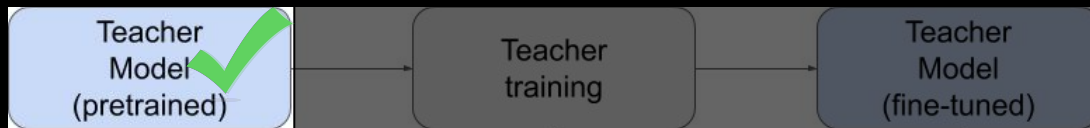


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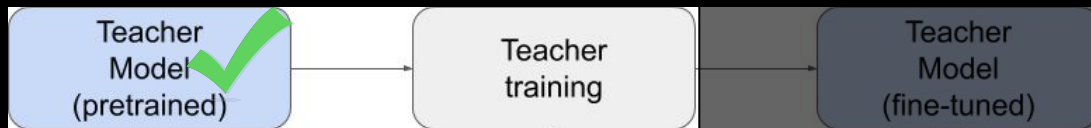
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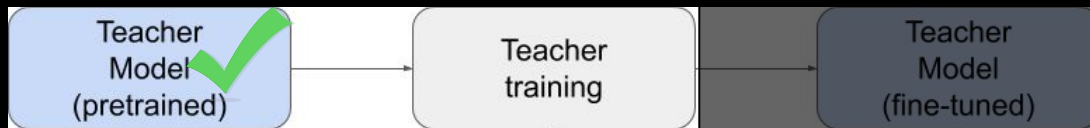


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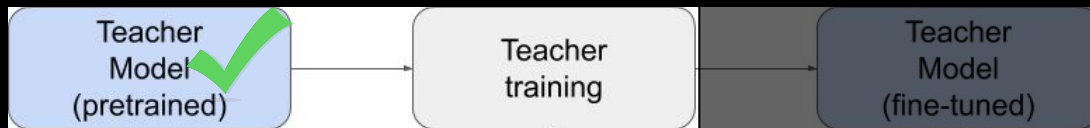
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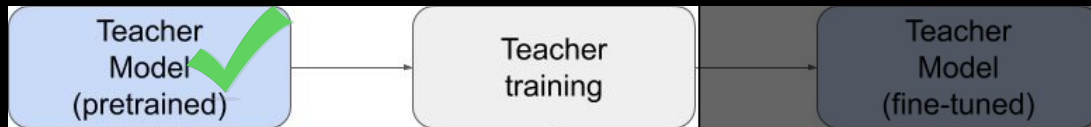
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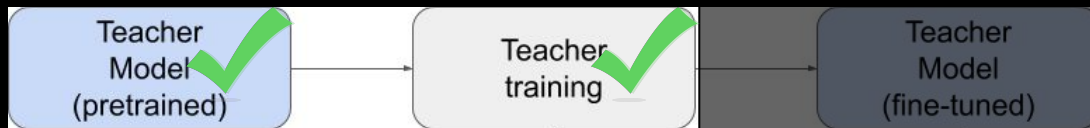
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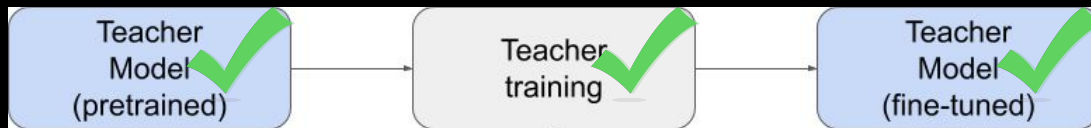
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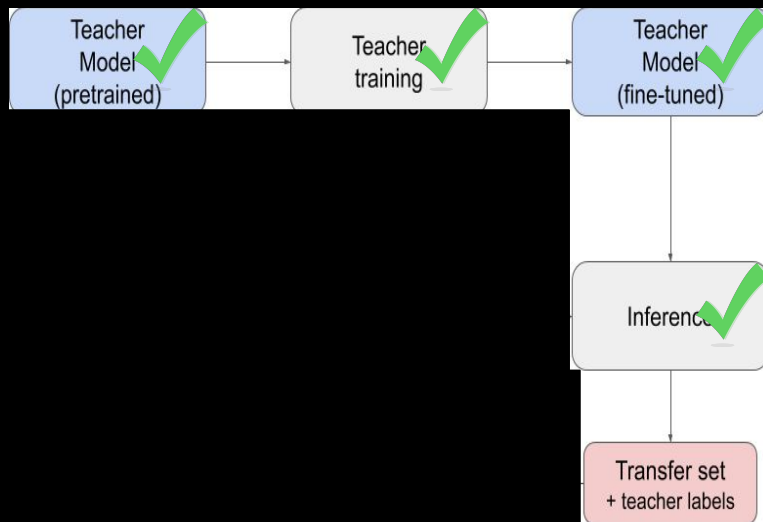
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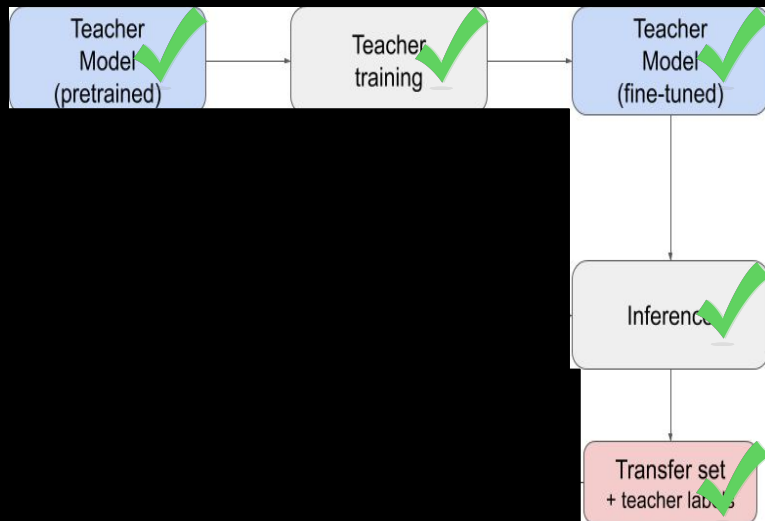
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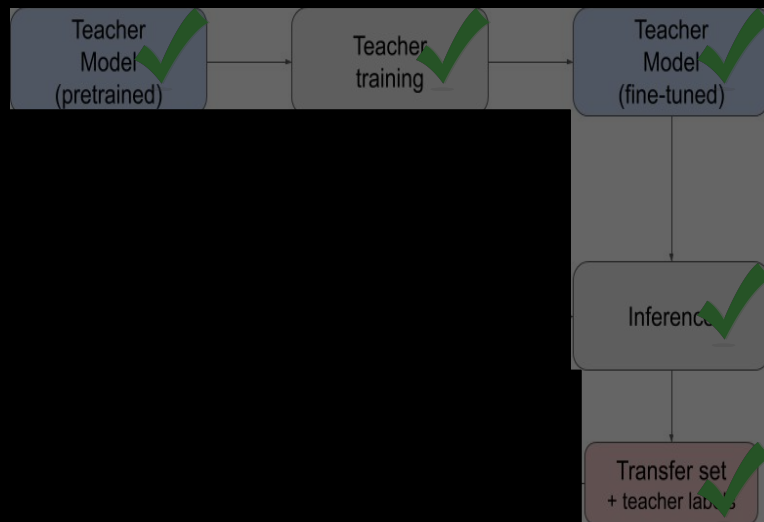
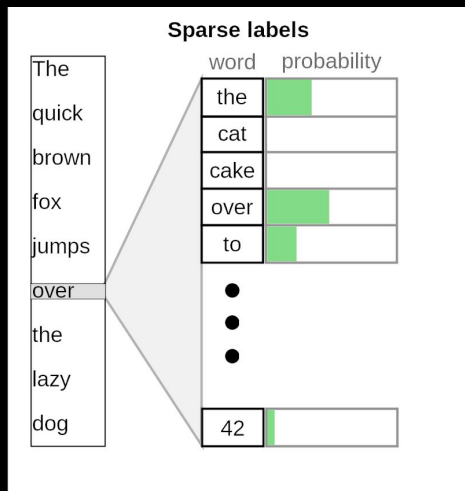
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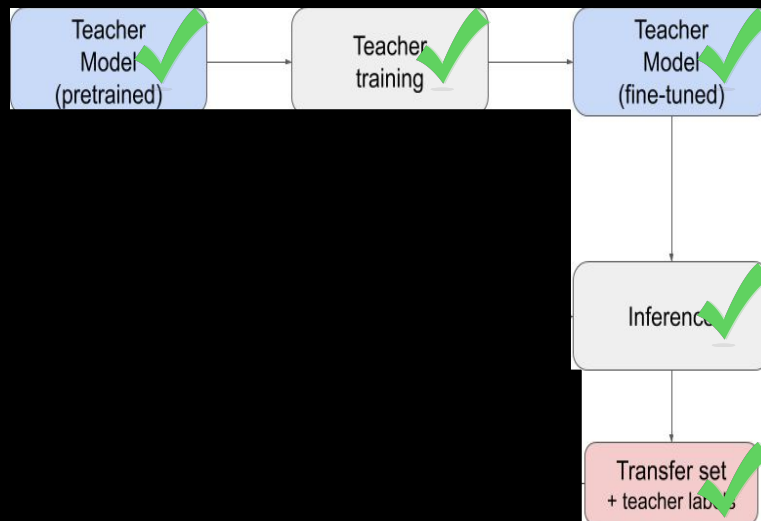
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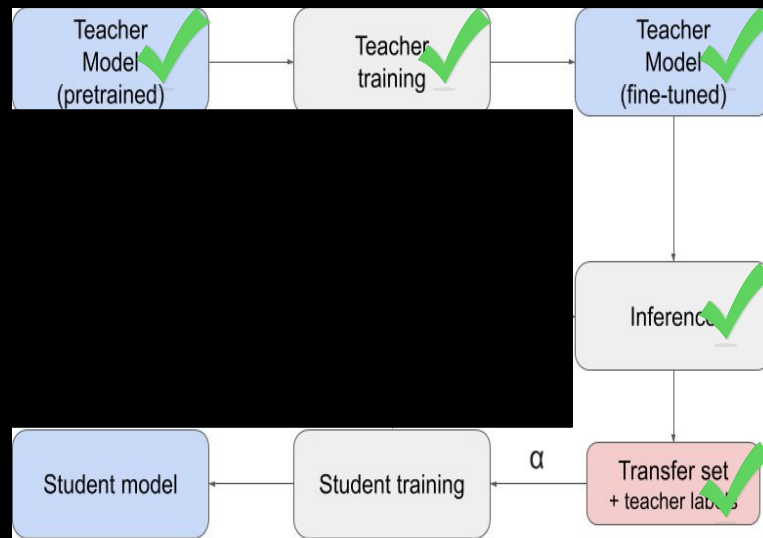
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TRAINING STUDENT

Won't go into details.



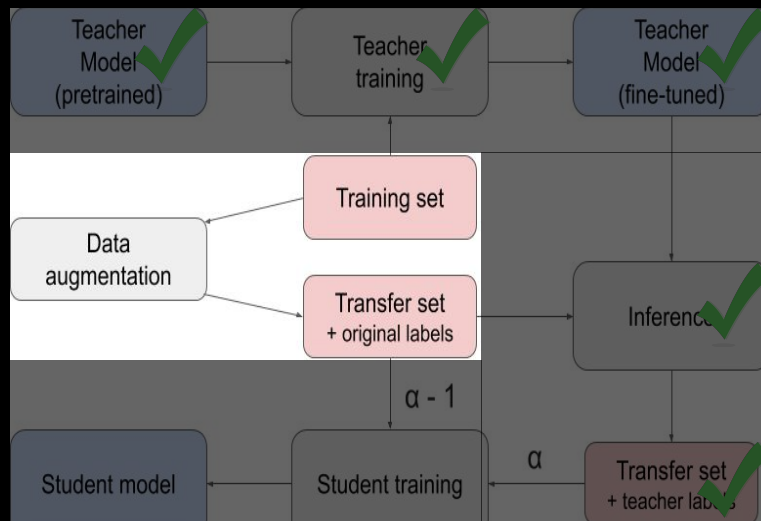
IMPROVING SIGNALS

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Classic: More data

This time through Data Augmentation via Teacher

(Tang et al.)



AUGMENTING DATA

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def make_sample(input_sentence, pos_dict, p_mask=0.1, p_pos=0.1, p_ng=0.25):  
    sentence = []  
    for word in input_sentence:  
        x = random.uniform()  
        if x < p_mask:  
            sentence.append(mask_token)  
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    if random.uniform() < p_ng:  
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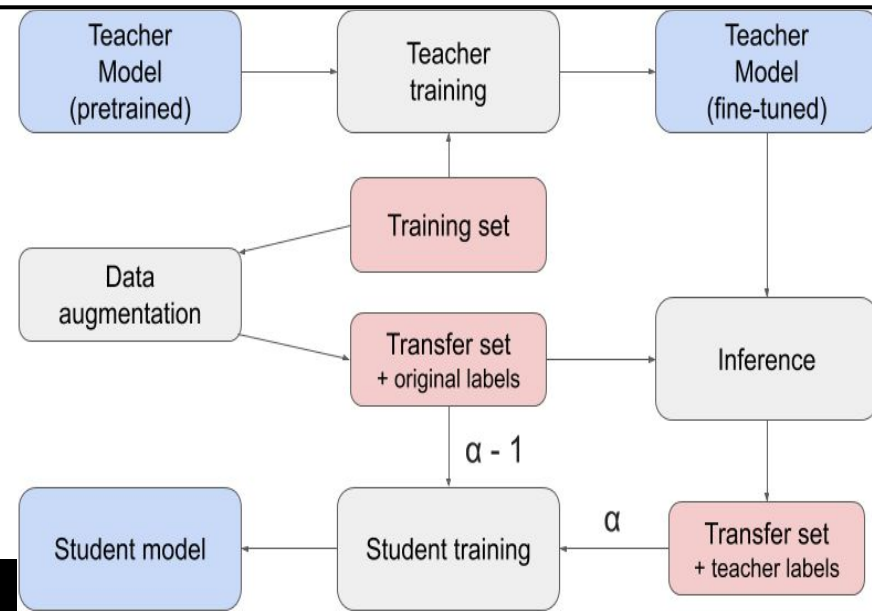
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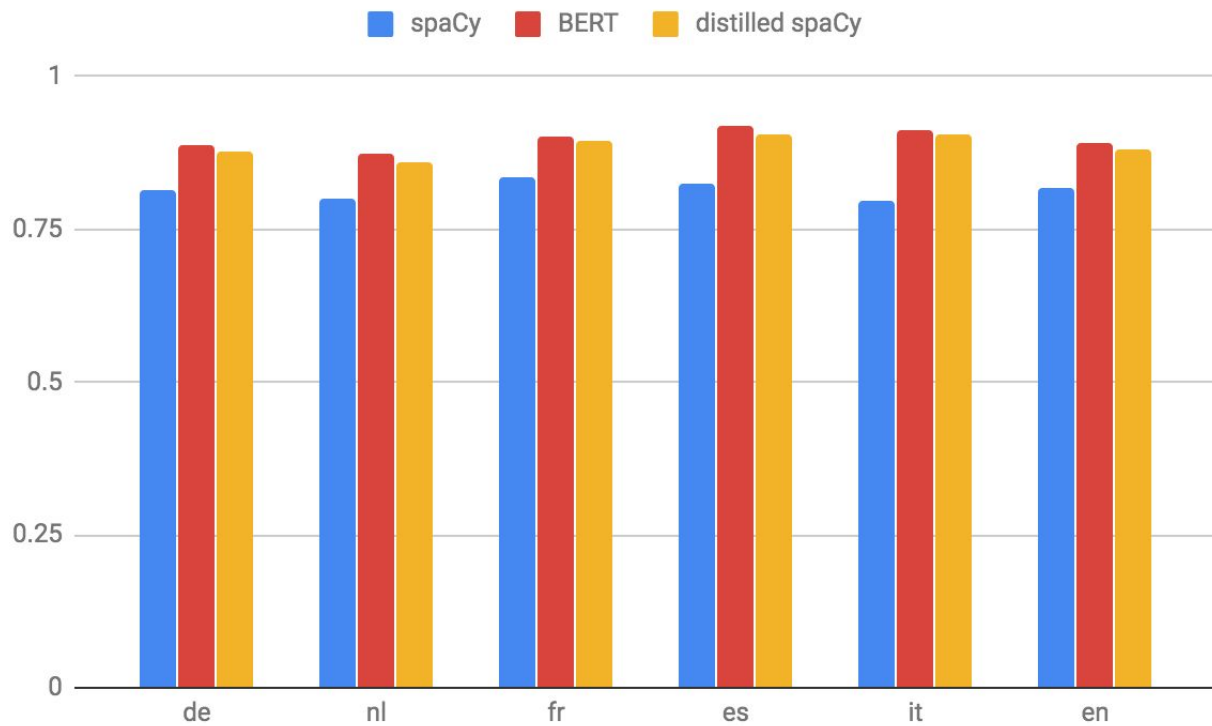
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NLP.TOWN

FLOYDHUB

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06 RECAP



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Data Augmentation

DISCUSSION POINTS

BIAS

What biases are
implied?

CEILING

What ceiling exists?

THANKS

Questions?

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[November - Presentation] Transfer Learning

How can we transfer knowledge from a base-task into new specific tasks, achieving SotA results with very little data?

([stream](#))

[December - Workshop] Transformers in Visual Recognition

How can we use Transformers to find objects in images, even if the Transformer isn't hand-curated for vision?

([stream](#), [notebook](#), [code](#))

[February - Workshop] Self-Attention & Transformers from scratch

How does the Transformer work under the hood? What makes them so powerful and why do they scale so well?

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