A Novel Deep Learning System (DI++) for Patient Disease Extraction in Clinical Notes

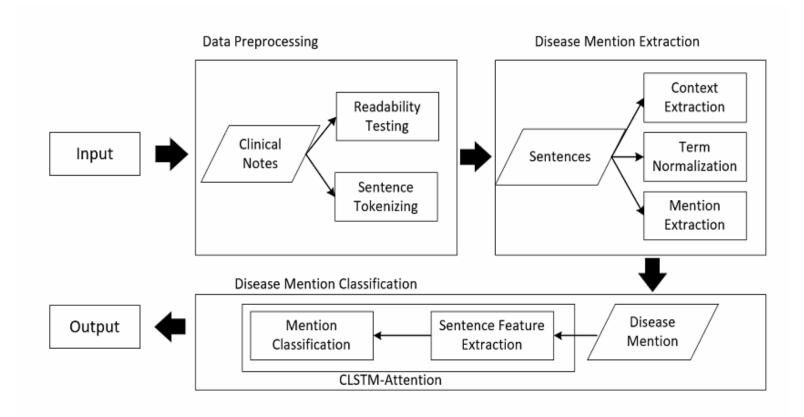
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Motivation

- Patient disease information is not fully captured in structured EHR
- Accurate recording patient conditions is critical for
 - Risk prediction
 - Supporting clinic decision making
 - Ensuring correct billing
- Problem Definition: Given clinical notes, extract the conditions of a patient.

DI++ System Architecture

I did talk to the patient about surveillance of the meningioma



Disease Mention Classification: Challenges

It's hard to judge whether or not a disease mention is a patient condition. It's context sensitive!

- "I did talk to the family about surveillance of the meningioma"
- "his family history includes cancer in his father"
- "Flag Reference GFR estimates are unreliable in patients with severe malnutrition or obesity, rapidly changing kidney function, loss of limbs or abnormal muscle mass...."

Leveraging AI For NLP

- Breakthrough in AI: Deep Learning
- Two successful deep learning models
 - Convolutional Neural Network (CNN):

Good at feature extraction, but ignore the word orders.

– Long short-term memory (LSTM):

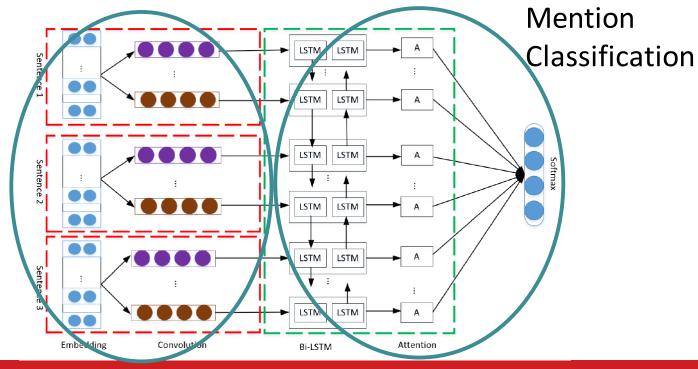
Can learn sequence dependency, but lack the ability of feature extraction.

Can we get the best of both worlds?

CLSTM-Attention Architecture For Disease Mention Classification

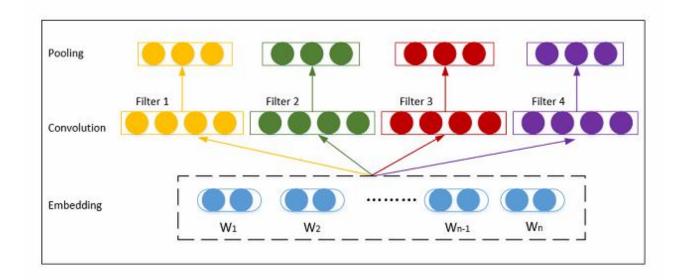
- CNN: Sentence feature extraction
- LSTM: Mention feature dependency learning
- Attention: Focus on important words

Sentence Feature Representation



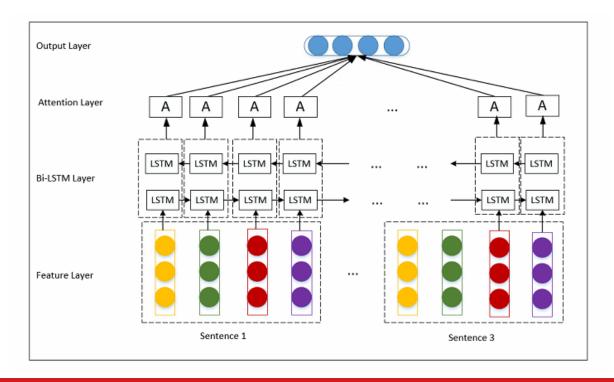
Sentence Feature Representation

- Input: Mention sentence (3-sentences)
- Output: A set of feature vectors
- Model: CNN



Mention Classification

- Input: Features Vectors of Mention Context
- Output: whether the mention is Positive/Negative
- Model: Bi-LSTM, Attention



Evaluation

- Data Set: Inovalon's MORE2 Registry Dataset
 - 11,943 clinical charts, 1.06 million pages
- Ground Truth:
 - Coder Team in Inovalon reads each page of charts and highlight the positive diseases
- Diseases:
 - We focus on identifying diseases categorized by Hierarchical Condition Category (HCC) coding

Evaluation Methods

Mention Extraction:

 To test if DI++ can extract all positive disease mentions

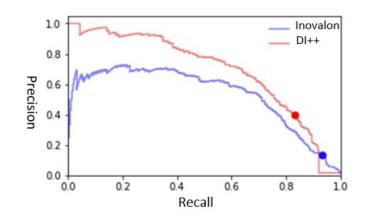
Mention Classification:

 Given an identified disease mention, test if CLSTM-Attention model can correctly classify it as positive or negative

Mention Extraction

- Comparison Systems
 - cTAKES[5]: Apache cTAKES is an open-source natural language processing system that extracts clinical information, include disease mention, from clinic notes.
 - Inovalon System: Support Vector Machine approach

Systems	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
cTAKES	0.07	0.89	0.13
Inovalon System	0.54	0.65	0.60
DI++	0.78	0.59	0.67



Mention Classification

Approaches	Accuracy	AUC
CNN	83.01%	0.81
LSTM	82.36%	0.79
Hierarchical Attention	84.38	0.82
Transformer	85.76%	0.82
CLSTM-Attention	86.52%	0.84

Case Study

