Pretrained Language Models for Text Generation

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What is text generation?

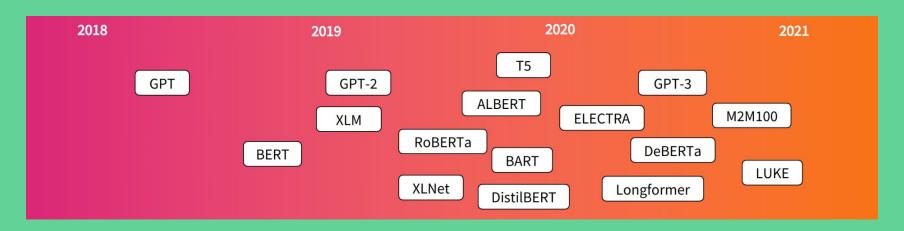
- Is one of the most important tasks in natural language processing (NLP).
- The main goal is to produce plausible and readable text in human language from input data like a sequence and keywords.

Where is this used?

- Machine translation.
- Dialogue systems.
- Text summarization.
- Text paraphrasing.
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How are these tasks performed?

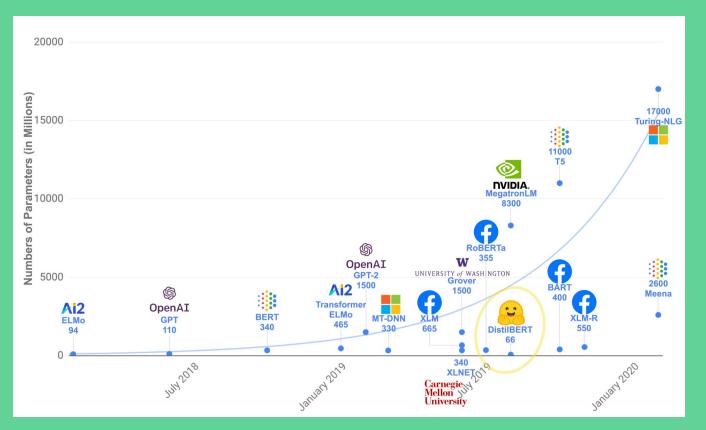
Transformers



Transformers are language models

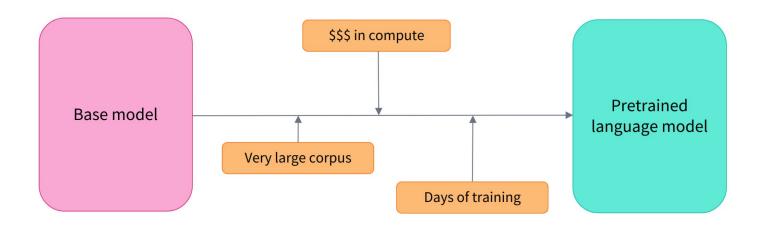
- All the transformer models mentioned are trained as a language models.
- They have been trained on **large amounts of raw text** in self-supervised fashion (humans are not needed to label the data).
- The model develops statistical understanding of the language it has been trained on.
- This is not very useful for practical tasks.

Transformers are **BIG** models



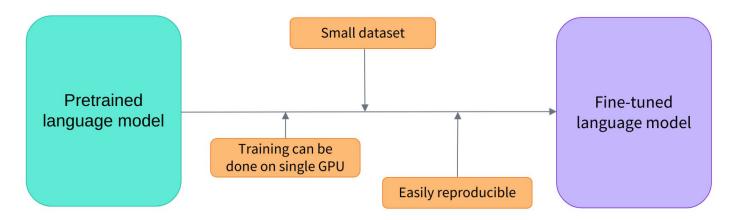
Transfer learning

- **Pretraining** is the act of training the models from scratch.



Transfer learning

- Fine-tuning is the training done <u>after</u> a model has been pretrained.
 - Is to perform an additional training with dataset specific to your task.
 - Requires way less data to get decent results.
- The knowledge that pretrained model has acquired is "transferred".



Future Work

Several directions of work are being studied

- Upper bound of PLMs
- Interpretability of PLMs
- Language-agnostic PLMs





GPT-Neo Demo

demo for GPT-Neo by EleutherAl for text generation. To use it, simply add your text, or click one of the examples to load them. Read more at the links below.



GPT-Neo: Large Scale Autoregressive Language Modeling with Mesh-Tensorflow

Conclusions

- Reuse of the models

- Saving costs

Discussions