NewsMet: A 'Do It All' dataset of contemporary Metaphors in News headlines

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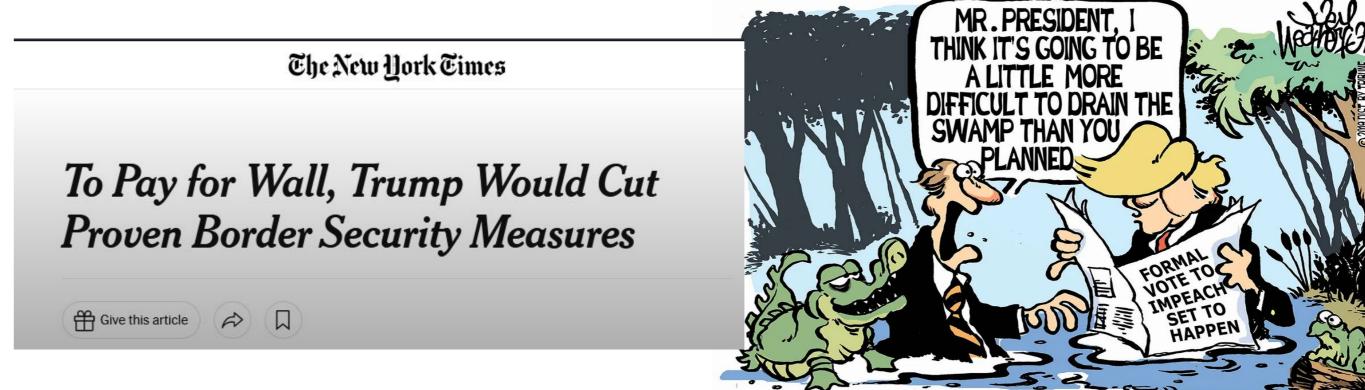
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What is NewsMet?

- High quality dataset of 2669 headlines to detect, interpret and generate metaphors.
- Headlines from sources such as NYT, Rawstory and Breitbart.
- Contemporary headlines published between 2017 to 2018.
- Labelled with SVO triplet + Metaphoricity of Verb

Why is Metaphor Processing important?

- Metaphors are everywhere!
- Highly creative constructs.
- Continuously evolving usage.
 - Love **heals** soul → Amtrak Dining Car **heals** nation
- Culture-dependent. Want to test Multilingual LLMs? Use Metaphors!

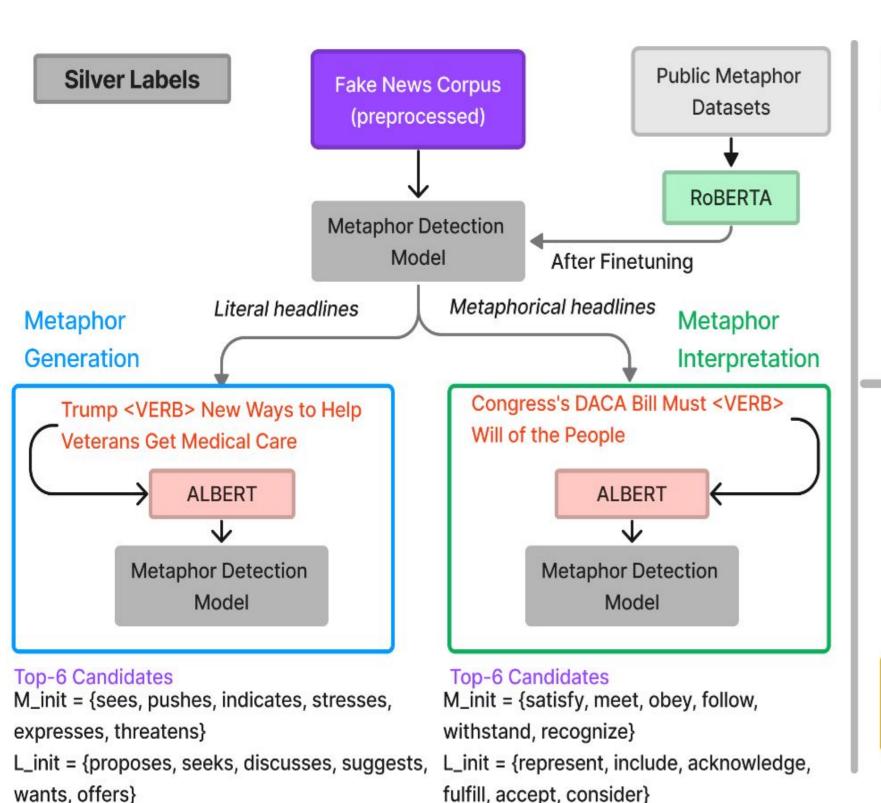


This is a crucial time in which the killer disease is almost on verge of spiraling to an uncontrolled state like a chain reaction.

7:30 AM · Apr 20, 2021 · Twitter Web App



Proposed Approach





Assigned label

Candidate Set

M_init

M_final

Incorrect

Correct

72.6%

27.4%

metaphorical

0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8

Type of headline

Findings and Results

- Finetuned LLM model has a high (>50%) false positive rate when labelling metaphors!
- LLMs offer candidates with low metaphoricity however, semantic appropriateness is a challenge!
- LLMs are good at generating candidates from diverse SOURCE DOMAINS. 84% of metaphorical headlines with diversity score >=4.

An example for calculating divers	sity
Handling (forms work)	

An example for calculating diversity	min(cos(s, c), cos(o, c))		
Headline (focus verb)	Clustersi	diversity	
Far Cry 5': Coop Mission has a massive	{ confronts, faces} 1, { creates, causes} 2,	4	
problem with mission progress	{ finds} 3, { tackles} 4		

headlin 400

Number 100

200

-0.3 - 0.2 - 0.1 0

59.7%

literal

 Even a small Gold Labelled Dataset from new corpora improved quality of predictions!

Model	Α	P	R	F1
M met_det	0.54	0.70	0.35	0.46
M Dimbal+ Dgold+	0.61	0.68	0.57	0.62

Group	Dgold	D _{gold+}	
Invalid	314	_	_
H _m & V _m	389	1009	
H _m & V _l	205	_	
$H_m \& (V_m \parallel V_l)$	594	1009	=1603
H ₁ & V ₁	611	455	=1066
	=1205	=1464	= 2669

Examples

Ex 1: Handling <subject> of Police Killing Spurs <metaphor> Grand Jury Inquiry <object> Into Prosecutor

Literal Candidates: [prompting, causing]

Ex 2: The Pneumonic Plague <subject> Killed teral verb> 50 Million People <object> in the Middle Ages and Now It's Back (VIDEO)

Metaphorical Candidates: [strangled, murdered, wiped]

Takeaways

- Use caution when deploying finetuned LLMs for labelling new corpora.
- Proposed metrics such as diversity and metaphoricity serve as heuristics to measure quality of generated metaphors.
- Use our Annotation pipeline to semi-automate annotating new corpora.
- When to use NewsMet? Evaluate Metaphor processing systems/ LLMs, Hyprepartisan News, Figurative text translation (Read Paper for more details)

Dataset available at https://github.com/AxleBlaze3/NewsMet Metaphor Dataset



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