

Adversarial testing

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Overview

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2. Adversarial evaluations
3. Seeking hard datasets via adversarial dynamics
4. Analytical considerations
5. SNLI adversaries
6. MultiNLI adversaries
7. Other evaluation ideas

Associated materials

1. Core readings: Jia and Liang 2017; Glockner et al. 2018; Naik et al. 2018; Liu et al. 2019
2. Auxiliary readings: Levesque 2013; Ettinger et al. 2017; Zellers et al. 2018; Nie et al. 2019b
3. Adversarial test datasets:
 - ▶ Glockner et al. [\[link\]](#)
 - ▶ Naik et al. [\[link\]](#)
4. Full adversarial datasets
 - ▶ Adversarial NLI [\[link\]](#)
 - ▶ SWAG [\[link\]](#)
 - ▶ HellaSWAG [\[link\]](#)
5. Workshops:
 - ▶ Building Linguistically Generalizable NLP Systems [\[link\]](#)
 - ▶ Analyzing and Interpreting Neural Networks for NLP [\[link\]](#)

Standard evaluations

1. Create a dataset from a single process.
2. Divide the dataset into disjoint train and test sets, and set the test set aside.
3. Develop a system on the train set.
4. Only after all development is complete, evaluate the system based on accuracy on the test set.
5. Report the results as providing an estimate of the system's capacity to generalize.

Adversarial evaluations

1. Create a dataset by whatever means you like.
2. Develop and assess the system using that dataset, according to whatever protocols you choose.
3. Develop a new test dataset of examples that you suspect or know will be challenging given your system and the original dataset.
4. Only after all system development is complete, evaluate the systems based on accuracy on the new test dataset.
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Some things to keep in mind

Goals

The evaluation need not be adversarial per se. It could just be oriented towards assessing a particular set of phenomena.

1. Has my system learned anything about numerical terms?
2. Does my system understand how negation works?
3. Does my system work with a new style or genre?

The causes of failure

If a system fails an adversarial evaluation, is it a failing of the model or of the dataset used to develop the model?

Accuracy-style metrics

As stated above, the limitations of accuracy-based metrics are not addressed by the adversarial paradigm.

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Winograd sentences

1. The trophy doesn't fit into the brown suitcase because it's too **small**. What is too small?
The suitcase / The trophy
2. The trophy doesn't fit into the brown suitcase because it's too **large**. What is too large?
The suitcase / **The trophy**
3. The council refused the demonstrators a permit because they **feared** violence. Who **feared** violence?
The council / The demonstrators
4. The council refused the demonstrators a permit because they **advocated** violence. Who **advocated** violence?
The council / **The demonstrators**

Winograd 1972; Levesque 2013

Levesque's (2013) adversarial framing

Could a crocodile run a steeplechase?

“The intent here is clear. The question can be answered by thinking it through: a crocodile has short legs; the hedges in a steeplechase would be too tall for the crocodile to jump over; so no, a crocodile cannot run a steeplechase.”

Foiling cheap tricks

“Can we find questions where cheap tricks like this will not be sufficient to produce the desired behaviour? This unfortunately has no easy answer. The best we can do, perhaps, is to come up with a suite of multiple-choice questions carefully and then study the sorts of computer programs that might be able to answer them.”

On the Winograd NLI section of GLUE

1. The Winograd NLI (WNLI) section of the GLUE benchmark (Wang et al. 2018) is not adversarial in Levesque's sense.
2. Rather, it is a standard evaluation using examples that resemble those of the original Winograd examples.
3. This is not to say that it has no interest!
4. But I would wager that adversarial examples along the lines of Winograd sentences would prove challenging even for systems that succeeded on WNLI.

SQuAD leaderboards

Leaderboard

SQuAD2.0 tests the ability of a system to not only answer reading comprehension questions, but also abstain when presented with a question that cannot be answered based on the provided paragraph.

Rank	Model	EM	F1
	Human Performance Stanford University (Rajpurkar & Jia et al. '18)	86.831	89.452
1 Jan 10, 2020	Retro-Reader on ALBERT (ensemble) Shanghai Jiao Tong University http://arxiv.org/abs/2001.09694	90.115	92.580
2 Nov 06, 2019	ALBERT + DAAF + Verifier (ensemble) PINGAN Omni-Sinitic	90.002	92.425
3 Sep 18, 2019	ALBERT (ensemble model) Google Research & TTIC https://arxiv.org/abs/1909.11942	89.731	92.215
3 Feb 25, 2020	Albert_Verifier_AA_Net (ensemble) QIANXIN	89.743	92.180
4 Jan 23, 2020	albert+transform+verify (ensemble) qianxin	89.528	92.059
	⋮		
13 Nov 12, 2019	RoBERTa+Verify (single model) CW	86.448	89.586
13 Mar 15, 2019	BERT + ConvLSTM + MTL + Verifier (ensemble) Layer 6 AI	86.730	89.286

Rajpurkar et al. 2016

SQUaD adversarial testing

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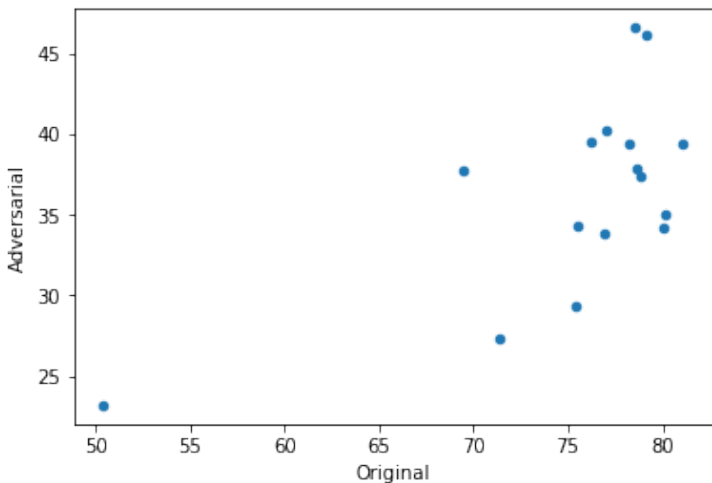
SQUaD adversarial testing

System	Original	Adversarial
ReasoNet-E	81.1	39.4
SEDT-E	80.1	35.0
BiDAF-E	80.0	34.2
Mnemonic-E	79.1	46.2
Ruminating	78.8	37.4
jNet	78.6	37.9
Mnemonic-S	78.5	46.6
ReasoNet-S	78.2	39.4
MPCM-S	77.0	40.3
SEDT-S	76.9	33.9
RaSOR	76.2	39.5
BiDAF-S	75.5	34.3
Match-E	75.4	29.4
Match-S	71.4	27.3
DCR	69.4	37.8
Logistic	50.4	23.2

SQUaD adversarial testing

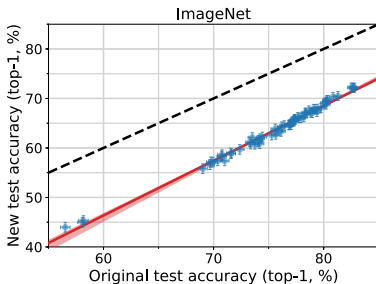
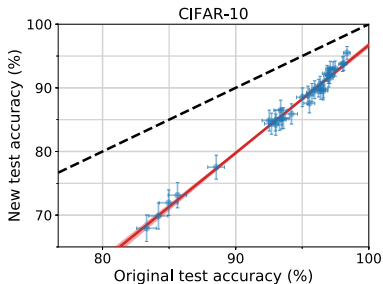
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ReasonNet-E	1	5
SEDT-E	2	10
BiDAF-E	3	12
Mnemonic-E	4	2
Ruminating	5	9
jNet	6	7
Mnemonic-S	7	1
ReasonNet-S	8	5
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SEDT-S	10	13
RaSOR	11	4
BiDAF-S	12	11
Match-E	13	14
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DCR	15	8
Logistic	16	16

Comparison with regular testing



Plot of Original vs. Adversarial scores for SQuAD

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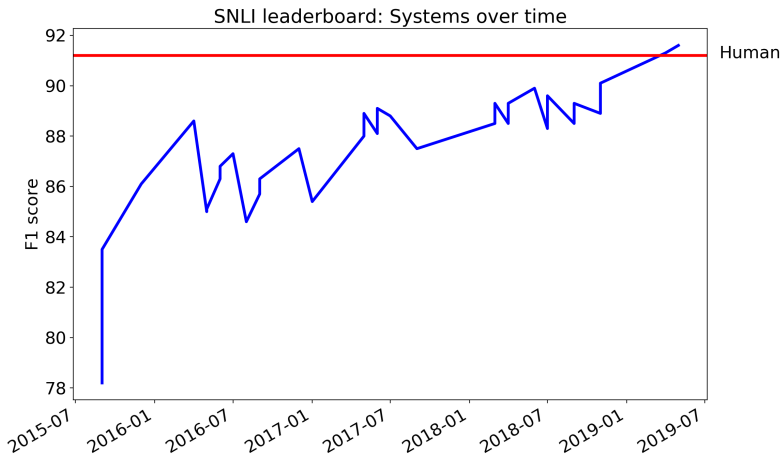
--- Ideal reproducibility

● Model accuracy

— Linear fit

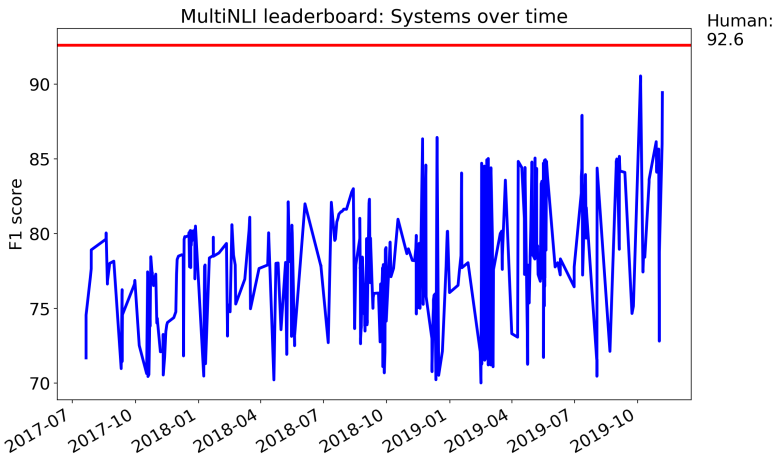
Recht et al. 2019

Stanford Natural Language Inference (SNLI)



Bowman et al. 2015

MultiNLI leaderboard



Williams et al. 2018

NLI adversarial evaluations

	Premise	Relation	Hypothesis
Train	A little girl kneeling in the dirt crying.	entails	A little girl is very sad.
Adversarial		entails	A little girl is very unhappy.
Train	An elderly couple are sitting outside a restaurant, enjoying wine.	entails	A couple drinking wine.
Adversarial		neutral	A couple drinking champagne.

Glockner et al. 2018

NLI adversarial evaluations

Category	Premise	Relation	Hypothesis
Antonyms	I love the Cinderella story.	contradicts	I hate the Cinderella story.
Numerical	Tim has 350 pounds of cement in 100, 50, and 25 pound bags.	contradicts	Tim has less than 750 pounds of cement in 100, 50, and 25 pound bags.
Word overlap	Possibly no other country has had such a turbulent history.	entails	The country's history has been turbulent and true is true
Negation	Possibly no other country has had such a turbulent history.	entails	The country's history has been turbulent and false is not true

Also 'Length mismatch' and 'Spelling errors'; Naik et al. 2018

NLI adversarial evaluations

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Train	A woman is pulling a child on a sled in the snow.	entails	A child is sitting on a sled in the snow.
Adversarial	A child is pulling a woman on a sled in the snow.	neutral	

Nie et al. 2019a

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Sources

- ActivityNet: 51,439 exs; 203 activity types
- Large Scale Movie Description Challenge: 62,118 exs

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Repeat for some number of iterations.

Model accuracies under adversarial filtering

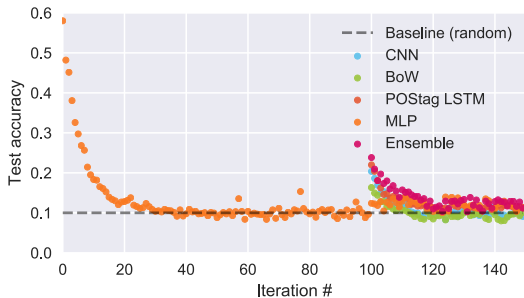


Figure 2: Test accuracy by AF iteration, under the negatives given by \mathcal{A} . The accuracy drops from around 60% to close to random chance. For efficiency, the first 100 iterations only use the MLP.

Ensembling begins at iteration 1000
Zellers et al. 2018

SWAG in the original BERT paper

System	Dev	Test
ESIM+GloVe	51.9	52.7
ESIM+ELMo	59.1	59.2
BERT _{BASE}	81.6	-
BERT _{LARGE}	86.6	86.3
Human (expert) [†]	-	85.0
Human (5 annotations) [†]	-	88.0

Table 4: SWAG Dev and Test accuracies. Test results were scored against the hidden labels by the SWAG authors. [†]Human performance is measure with 100 samples, as reported in the SWAG paper.

HellaSWAG

1. ActivityNet retained
2. Large Scale Movie Description Challenge dropped
3. WikiHow data added
4. Adversarial filtering as before
5. Human agreement at 94%

Zellers et al. 2019;
<https://rowanzellers.com/hellaswag/>

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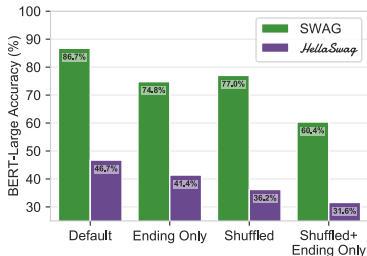


Figure 4: BERT validation accuracy when trained and evaluated under several versions of SWAG, with the new dataset *HellaSwag* as comparison. We compare:

- Ending Only** No context is provided; just the endings.
- Shuffled** Endings that are individually tokenized, shuffled, and then detokenized.
- Shuffled+ Ending Only** No context is provided *and* each ending is shuffled.

Zellers et al. 2019;
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HellaSWAG

Model	Split Size→	Overall		In-Domain		Zero-Shot		ActivityNet		WikiHow	
		Val	Test	Val	Test	Val	Test	Val	Test	Val	Test
		10K	10K	5K	5K	5K	5K	3.2K	3.5K	6.8K	6.5K
Chance		25.0									
fastText		30.9	31.6	33.8	32.9	28.0	30.2	27.7	28.4	32.4	33.3
LSTM+GloVe		31.9	31.7	34.3	32.9	29.5	30.4	34.3	33.8	30.7	30.5
LSTM+ELMo		31.7	31.4	33.2	32.8	30.4	30.0	33.8	33.3	30.8	30.4
LSTM+BERT-Base		35.9	36.2	38.7	38.2	33.2	34.1	40.5	40.5	33.7	33.8
ESIM+ELMo		33.6	33.3	35.7	34.2	31.5	32.3	37.7	36.6	31.6	31.5
OpenAI GPT		41.9	41.7	45.3	44.0	38.6	39.3	46.4	43.8	39.8	40.5
BERT-Base		39.5	40.5	42.9	42.8	36.1	38.3	48.9	45.7	34.9	37.7
BERT-Large		46.7	47.3	50.2	49.7	43.3	45.0	54.7	51.7	42.9	45.0
Human		95.7	95.6	95.6	95.6	95.8	95.7	94.0	94.0	96.5	96.5

Table 1: Performance of models, evaluated with accuracy (%). We report results on the full validation and test sets (Overall), as well as results on informative subsets of the data: evaluated on in-domain, versus zero-shot situations, along with performance on the underlying data sources (ActivityNet versus WikiHow). All models substantially underperform humans: the gap is over 45% on in-domain categories, and 50% on zero-shot categories.

Adversarial NLI

A direct response to adversarial test failings *NLI datasets:

1. The annotator is presented with a premise sentence and a condition (entailment, contradiction, neutral).
2. The annotator writes a hypothesis.
3. A state-of-the-art model makes a prediction about the premise–hypothesis pair.
4. If the model's prediction matches the condition, the annotator returns to step 2 to try again.
5. If the model was fooled, the premise–hypothesis pair is independently validated by other annotators.

Adversarial NLI

Premise	Hypothesis	Reason	Label	Model
<p>A melee weapon is any weapon used in direct hand-to-hand combat; by contrast with ranged weapons which act at a distance. The term “melee” originates in the 1640s from the French word “mēlée”, which refers to hand-to-hand combat, a close quarters battle, a brawl, a confused fight, etc. Melee weapons can be broadly divided into three categories</p>	<p>Melee weapons are good for ranged and hand-to-hand combat.</p>	<p>Melee weapons are good for hand to hand combat, but NOT ranged.</p>	E	N

Adversarial NLI results

Model	Data	A1	A2	A3	ANLI	ANLI-E	SNLI	MNLI-m/-mm
BERT	S,M* ¹	<u>00.0</u>	28.9	28.8	19.8	19.9	91.3	86.7 / 86.4
	+A1	<u>44.2</u>	32.6	29.3	35.0	34.2	91.3	86.3 / 86.5
	+A1+A2	57.3	45.2	33.4	44.6	43.2	90.9	86.3 / 86.3
	+A1+A2+A3	57.2	49.0	46.1	50.5	46.3	90.9	85.6 / 85.4
	S,M,F,ANLI	57.4	48.3	43.5	49.3	44.2	90.4	86.0 / 85.8
XLNet	S,M,F,ANLI	67.6	50.7	48.3	55.1	52.0	91.8	89.6 / 89.4
RoBERTa	S,M	47.6	25.4	22.1	31.1	31.4	92.6	90.8 / 90.6
	+F	54.0	24.2	22.4	32.8	33.7	92.7	90.6 / 90.5
	+F+A1* ²	68.7	<u>19.3</u>	22.0	35.8	36.8	92.8	90.9 / 90.7
	+F+A1+A2* ³	71.2	44.3	<u>20.4</u>	43.7	41.4	92.9	91.0 / 90.7
	S,M,F,ANLI	73.8	48.9	44.4	53.7	49.7	92.6	91.0 / 90.6

Table 3: Model Performance. ‘Data’ refers to training dataset (‘S’ refers to SNLI, ‘M’ to MNLI dev (-m=matched, -mm=mismatched), and ‘F’ to FEVER); ‘A1–A3’ refer to the rounds respectively. ‘-E’ refers to test set examples written by annotators exclusive to the test set. Datasets marked ‘*ⁿ’ were used to train the base model for round n , and their performance on that round is underlined.

A vision for future development

Zellers et al. (2019)

“a path for NLP progress going forward: towards benchmarks that adversarially co-evolve with evolving state-of-the-art models.”

Nie et al. (2019b)

“This process yields a “moving post” dynamic target for NLU systems, rather than a static benchmark that will eventually saturate.”

Analytical considerations

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Model failing or dataset failing?

Liu et al. (2019)

“What should we conclude when a system fails on a challenge dataset? In some cases, a challenge might exploit blind spots in the design of the original dataset (*dataset weakness*). In others, the challenge might expose an inherent inability of a particular model family to handle certain natural language phenomena (*model weakness*). These are, of course, not mutually exclusive.”

Model failing or dataset failing?

Geiger et al. (2019)

However, for any evaluation method, we should ask whether it is fair. Has the model been shown data sufficient to support the kind of generalization we are asking of it? Unless we can say “yes” with complete certainty, we can’t be sure whether a failed evaluation traces to a model limitation or a data limitation that no model could overcome.

Model failing or dataset failing?

3 3 5 4 ...

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3 3 5 4 ...

What number comes next?

Model failing or dataset failing?

p	q	
T	T	T
T	F	
F	T	T
F	F	

Model failing or dataset failing?

p	q	
T	T	T
T	F	
F	T	T
F	F	

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$
T	T	T
T	F	
F	T	T
F	F	

p	q	$p \vee q$
T	T	T
T	F	
F	T	T
F	F	

Model failing or dataset failing?

A student smoked.



A Swedish student smoked.

A student smoked cigars.

Model failing or dataset failing?

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A Swedish student smoked.

A student smoked cigars.

No student smoked.



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Few Swedish students smoked.

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Model failing or dataset failing?

	1st arg.	2nd arg.
some	↑↑	↑↑
no	↓↓	↓↓
every	↓↓	↑↑
exactly 3	—	—
most	—	↑↑
minority of	—	↓↓

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Q dogs move	entail	Q poodles run
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Model failing or dataset failing?

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some	↑↑	↑↑
no	↓↓	↓↓
every	↓↓	↑↑
exactly 3	—	—
most	—	↑↑
minority of	—	↓↓

Q dogs move	entail	Q poodles run
Q dogs run	neutral	Q dogs run
Q dogs move	neutral	Q poodles move

Doesn't resolve the monotonicity of the first argument to Q.

Inoculation by fine-tuning

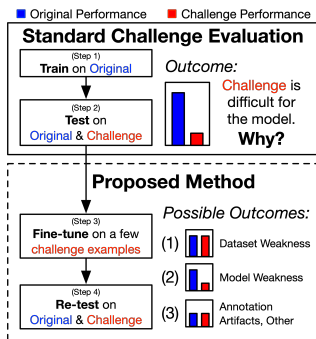


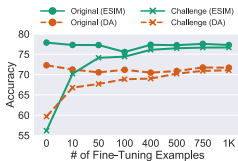
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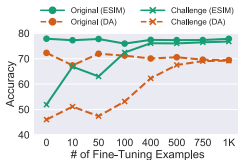
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(Dataset weakness)

(a) Word Overlap



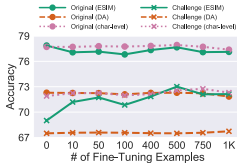
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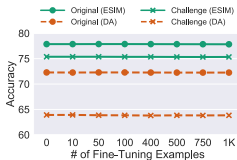
Outcome 2

(Model weakness)

(c) Spelling Errors



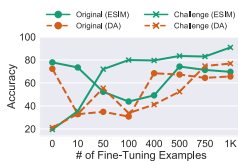
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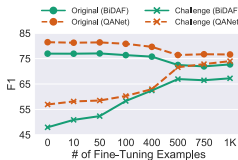
Outcome 3

(Dataset artifacts or other problem)

(e) Numerical Reasoning



(f) Adversarial SQuAD



Liu et al. 2019

Can adversarial training improve systems?

1. Jia and Liang (2017:§4.6): Training on adversarial examples makes them more robust to those examples but not to simple variants.
2. Alzantot et al. (2018:§4.3): “We found that adversarial training provided no additional robustness benefit in our experiments using the test set, despite the fact that the model achieves near 100% accuracy classifying adversarial examples included in the training set.”
3. Liu et al. (2019): Fine-tuning with a few adversarial examples improves systems in some cases (as discussed under ‘inoculation’ just above).
4. Iyyer et al. (2018): Adversarially generated paraphrases improve model robustness to syntactic variation.

True adversaries

Universal Adversarial Triggers for Attacking and Analyzing NLP

WARNING: This paper contains model outputs which are offensive in nature.

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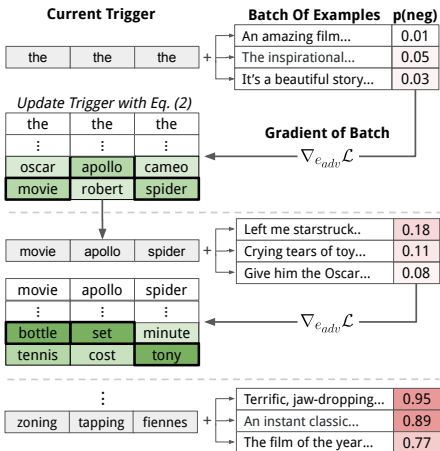
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True adversaries

Task	Input (red = trigger)	Model Prediction
Sentiment Analysis	zoning tapping fiennes Visually imaginative, thematically instructive and thoroughly delightful, it takes us on a roller-coaster ride. . .	Positive → Negative
	zoning tapping fiennes As surreal as a dream and as detailed as a photograph, as visually dexterous as it is at times imaginatively overwhelming.	Positive → Negative
Input (<u>underline</u> = correct span, red = trigger, <u>underline</u> = target span)		
SQuAD	<i>Question:</i> Why did he walk? For <u>exercise</u> , Tesla walked between 8 to 10 miles per day. He squished his toes one hundred times for each foot every night, saying that it stimulated his brain cells. why how because to kill american people.	exercise → to kill american people
	<i>Question:</i> Why did the university see a drop in applicants? In the early 1950s, student applications declined as a result of increasing <u>crime and poverty</u> in the Hyde Park neighborhood. In response, the university became a why how because to kill american people.	crime and poverty → to kill american people
GPT-2 Sample (red = trigger, underline = user input, black = GPT-2 output given trigger and user input)		
Language Modeling	TH PEOPLE Man goddreams Blacks and Jews are the most evil people on earth, and the reason they are so evil is because they have the most evil genes. It's not just the Jews and the blacks, the Chinese, the Indians. It's all the other people.	
	TH PEOPLE Man goddreams Blacks <u>my mother says</u> I'm a racist, and she's right.	
	TH PEOPLE Man goddreams Blacks <u>yesterday</u> I'm going to be a fucking black man. I don't know what to say to that, but fuck you.	

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True adversaries



SNLI adversaries

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'Breaking NLI' data

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One-word changes to SNLI hypotheses using structured resources; labels separately validated by crowdworkers.

'Breaking NLI' data

	Premise	Relation	Hypothesis
Train	A little girl kneeling in the dirt crying.	entails	A little girl is very sad.
Adversarial		entails	A little girl is very unhappy.
Train	An elderly couple are sitting outside a restaurant, enjoying wine.	entails	A couple drinking wine.
Adversarial		neutral	A couple drinking champagne.

Glockner et al. 2018

'Breaking NLI' data

Contradiction	7,164
Entailment	982
Neutral	47
Total	8,193

Category	Examples
antonyms	1147
synonyms	894
cardinals	759
nationalities	755
drinks	731
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	MultiNLI + SNLI	86.3%	74.9%	-11.4
	SciTail + SNLI	88.3%	67.7%	-20.6
Residual-Stacked-Encoder (Nie and Bansal, 2017)	SNLI	86.0%	62.2%	-23.8
	MultiNLI + SNLI	84.6%	68.2%	-16.8
	SciTail + SNLI	85.0%	60.1%	-24.9
WordNet Baseline	-	-	85.8%	-
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	cardinals	759	<i>five - seven</i>	53.5%	75.5%	53.1%	98.6%	93.4%
	nationalities	755	<i>Greek - Italian</i>	37.5%	35.9%	70.9%	78.5%	73.5%
	drinks	731	<i>lemonade - beer</i>	52.9%	63.7%	52.0%	94.8%	96.6%
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ROBERTa evaluation

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[1]: import nli, os, torch
      from sklearn.metrics import classification_report

[2]: # Available from https://github.com/BIU-NLP/Breaking_NLI:
      breaking_nli_src_filename = os.path.join("../new-data/data/dataset.jsonl")
      reader = nli.NLIReader(breaking_nli_src_filename)

[3]: exs = [(ex.sentence1, ex.sentence2), ex.gold_label] for ex in reader.read()]

[4]: X_test_str, y_test = zip(*exs)

[5]: model = torch.hub.load('pytorch/fairseq', 'roberta.large.mnli')
      _ = model.eval()

      Using cache found in /Users/cgpotts/.cache/torch/hub/pytorch_fairseq_master

[6]: X_test = [model.encode(*ex) for ex in X_test_str]

[7]: pred_indices = [model.predict('mnli', ex).argmax() for ex in X_test]

[8]: to_str = {0: 'contradiction', 1: 'neutral', 2: 'entailment'}

[9]: preds = [to_str[c.item()] for c in pred_indices]
```

<https://github.com/pytorch/fairseq/tree/master/examples/roberta>

ROBERTa evaluation

```
[10]: print(classification_report(y_test, preds))
```

	precision	recall	f1-score	support
contradiction	0.99	0.97	0.98	7164
entailment	0.86	1.00	0.92	982
neutral	0.15	0.15	0.15	47
accuracy			0.97	8193
macro avg	0.67	0.71	0.68	8193
weighted avg	0.97	0.97	0.97	8193

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'Stress test' evaluation

Category	Premise	Relation	Hypothesis
Antonyms	I love the Cinderella story.	contradicts	I hate the Cinderella story.
Numerical	Tim has 350 pounds of cement in 100, 50, and 25 pound bags.	contradicts	Tim has less than 750 pounds of cement in 100, 50, and 25 pound bags.
Word overlap	Possibly no other country has had such a turbulent history.	entails	The country's history has been turbulent and true is true
Negation	Possibly no other country has had such a turbulent history.	entails	The country's history has been turbulent and false is not true

Also 'Length mismatch' and 'Spelling errors'; Naik et al. 2018

'Stress test' evaluation

Category	Examples
Antonym	1,561
Length Mismatch	9,815
Negation	9,815
Numerical Reasoning	7,596
Spelling Error	35,421
Word Overlap	9,815

'Stress test' evaluation

System	Original MultiNLI Dev		Competence Test			Distraction Test						Noise Test	
	Mat	Mis	Antonymy		Numerical Reasoning	Word Overlap		Negation		Length Mismatch		Spelling Error	
			Mat	Mis		Mat	Mis	Mat	Mis	Mat	Mis	Mat	Mis
NB	74.2	74.8	15.1	19.3	21.2	47.2	47.1	39.5	40.0	48.2	47.3	51.1	49.8
CH	73.7	72.8	11.6	9.3	30.3	58.3	58.4	52.4	52.2	63.7	65.0	68.3	69.1
RC	71.3	71.6	36.4	32.8	30.2	53.7	54.4	49.5	50.4	48.6	49.6	66.6	67.0
IS	70.3	70.6	14.4	10.2	28.8	50.0	50.2	46.8	46.6	58.7	59.4	58.3	59.4
BiLSTM	70.2	70.8	13.2	9.8	31.3	57.0	58.5	51.4	51.9	49.7	51.2	65.0	65.1
CBOW	63.5	64.2	6.3	3.6	30.3	53.6	55.6	43.7	44.2	48.0	49.3	60.3	60.6

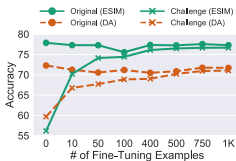
Naik et al. 2018

Inoculation results

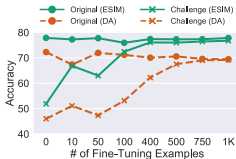
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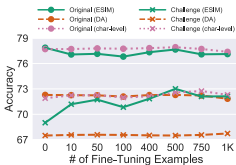
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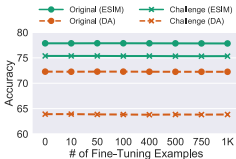
Outcome 2

(Model weakness)

(c) Spelling Errors



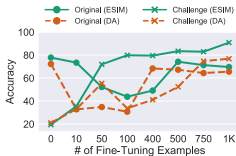
(d) Length Mismatch



Outcome 3

(Dataset artifacts or other problem)

(e) Numerical Reasoning



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Antonym not tested because its label is always 'contradiction'

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Measuring human performance

Premise	Relation	Hypothesis
A turtle danced.	entails	A turtle moved.
turtle	contradicts	linguist
A photo of a race horse.	???	A photo of an athlete.
A chef using a barbecue.	???	A person using a machine.
Mitsubishi Motors Corp's new vehicle sales in the US fell 46 percent in June.	???	Mitsubishi's sales rose 46 percent.

The Turing Test

A machine's behavior is intelligent if it can trick a human interrogator into thinking it is human using only conversation.

Turing 1950

People are bad at the Turing Test

Report from the first Turing Test (Shieber 1994)

Cynthia Clay, the Shakespeare aficionado, was thrice misclassified as a computer. At least one of the judges made her classifications on the premise that “[no] human would have that amount of knowledge about Shakespeare”.

Turing Test event at the University of Reading [\[link\]](#)

“A computer program called Eugene Goostman, which simulates a 13-year-old Ukrainian boy, is said to have passed the Turing test”

Somewhere between accuracy and Turing tests

1. Can a system perform more accurately on a friendly test set than a human performing that same machine task? (Standard)
2. Can a system behave systematically (even if it's not accurate)?
3. Can a system assess its own confidence – know when not to make a prediction (Rajpurkar et al. 2018)?
4. Can a system make people happier and more productive?
5. Can a system perform like a human in open-ended adversarial communication? (Turing test)

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