Towards Exploiting Sticker for Multimodal Sentiment Analysis in Social Media: A New Dataset and Baseline

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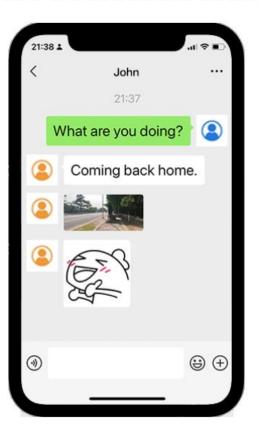
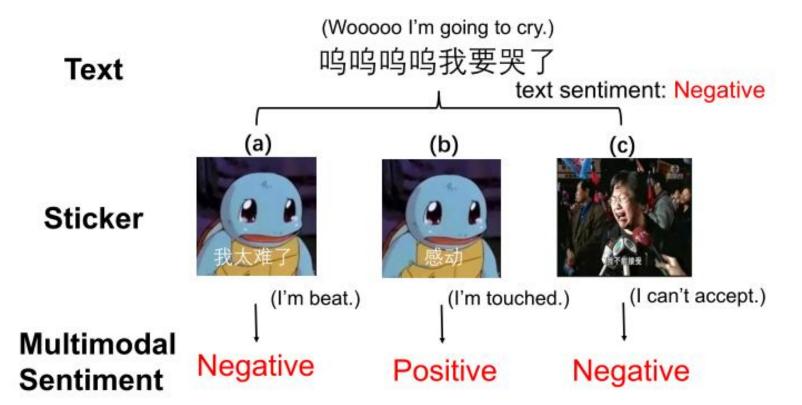


Figure 1: An example of online conversation. The first image is a photo that does not reflect any sentiment. The second is a sticker, expressing the emotional tendency of happiness. The sticker here contributes to supplementing the missing sentiment of the text.

First, stickers may be inherently multimodal because they are embedded with texts, while other datasets have only real-world photos



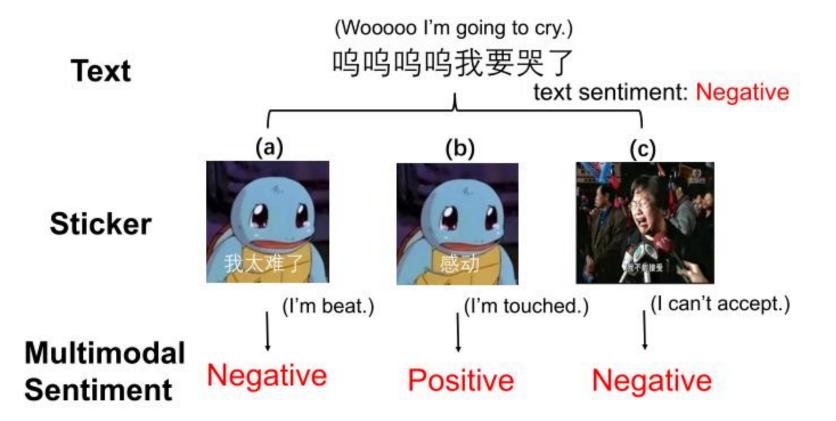
Second, stickers are highly different in styles, leading models to learn robust representations for the stickers following various distributions hardly



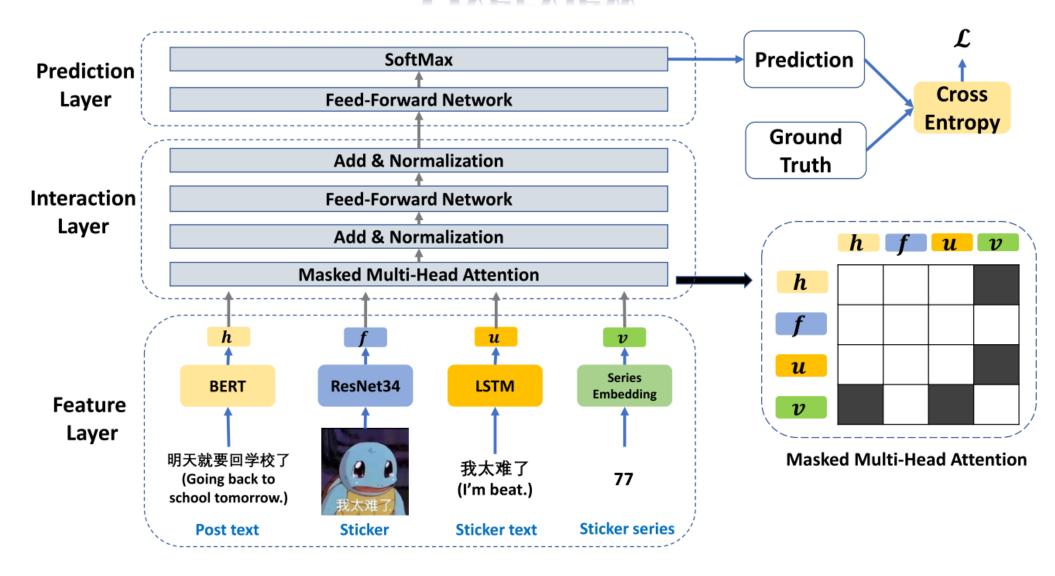




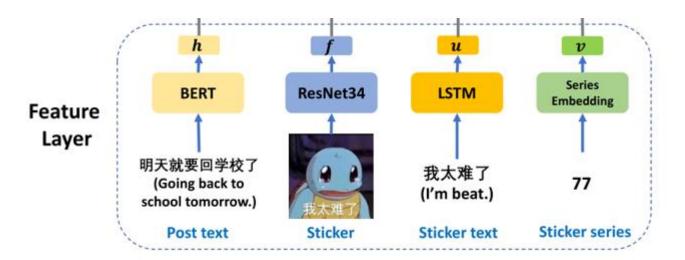
Third, the sentiment fusion of text and stickers is complex



Overview



Method



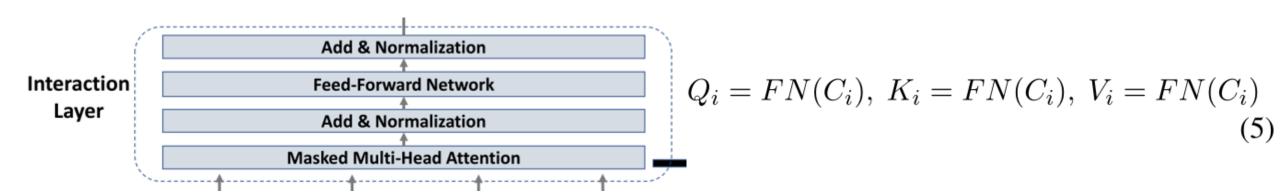
$$h = BERT(X) \tag{1}$$

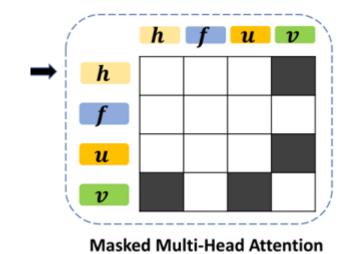
$$f = ResNet(I) \tag{2}$$

$$u = LSTM(S) \tag{3}$$

$$v = Embedding(E) \tag{4}$$

Method

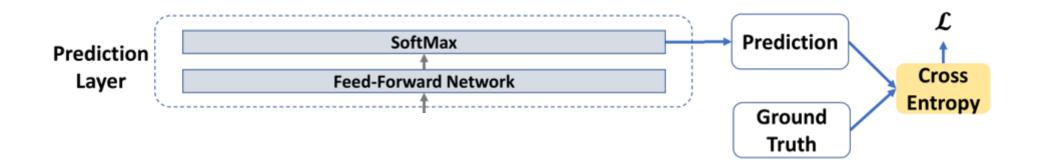




$$C_i' = \sum_{j=1}^{4} \alpha_{i,j} * V_i \tag{6}$$

$$\alpha_{i,j} = \frac{exp(Q_i * K_j \odot \mathcal{M})}{\sum_{k=1}^{4} exp(Q_i * K_k \odot \mathcal{M})}$$
(7)

Method



$$P(y|X, I, S, E) = softmax(FFN(O))$$
 (8)

$$O = [C_1'; C_2'; C_3'; C_4'].$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{|\mathcal{D}|} \sum_{c \in \mathcal{D}} log P(y^{(c)}|X^{(c)}, I^{(c)}, S^{(c)}, E^{(c)})$$

Datasets	Size	# Sti.	# Ano.
MOD	45k	307	0
StickerChat	340k	174k	0
CSMSA	28k	16k	1.5k

Table 1: Comparison with other sticker-based datasets. # Sti. represents the number of stickers. # Ano. represents the number of samples with human-annotated multimodal sentiment label.

Task	Train	Valid	Test
Easy Task	942	314	314
Hard Task-1	1297	127	146
Hard Task-2	1290	130	150
Hard Task-3	1373	109	88

Table 2: The split statistics of the CSMSA dataset.



Figure 4: An example shows the division of Hard Task-3 and the significant variation of styles between the stickers series.

	Methods	Easy Task		Hard Task-1		Hard Task-2		Hard Task-3	
		Acc.	F1	Acc.	F1	Acc.	F1	Acc.	F1
Text-only	BERT	0.6178	0.5764	0.5274	0.4709	0.5467	0.5102	0.5114	0.3617
	BERT-ST	0.6146	0.5609	0.4932	0.4772	0.5333	0.4769	0.5227	0.3814
	RoBERTa	0.6210	0.5941	0.5479	0.4892	0.5133	0.5216	0.5341	0.4194
Image-only	ResNet34	0.6178	0.5701	0.5753	0.5530	0.5342	0.4778	0.4886	0.3484
Multimodal	mBERT	0.5924	0.5576	0.5753	0.5156	0.5600	0.5361	0.5341	0.4037
	MMTF	0.5955	0.5374	0.5479	0.4886	0.5267	0.4876	0.5227	0.4428
	SAMSAM	0.6369	0.6180	0.5959	0.5669	0.5533	0.5179	0.5455	0.4265
Ablation Study	w/o MASK	0.6306	0.6060	0.5685	0.5483	0.5133	0.4929	0.4773	0.3710
	w/o IMG	0.6274	0.6199	0.5685	0.5467	0.5200	0.5251	0.5114	0.3913
	w/o PT	0.6210	0.5665	0.5411	0.4845	0.5267	0.4924	0.5114	0.3782
	w/o SE	0.6146	0.5594	0.5685	0.5112	0.5467	0.4978	0.5227	0.4133
	w/o ST	0.6242	0.6179	0.5890	0.5664	0.5267	0.5006	0.5117	0.3925

Table 3: Overview of the experimental results. Acc. represents accuracy, and the F1 represents the weighted F1 score. MASK represents the mask mechanism. IMG represents the image feature. PT represents the post text. SE represents the sticker series embedding, and ST represents sticker text.



让人怪不好意思的

Post Text: 我直接举报了 (I reported it directly.)

Sticker text: 让人怪不好意思的

(Sorry not sorry.)

一个耿直的微笑

Post Text: 你要做什么呀 (What do you want to do?)

Sticker text: 一个耿直的微笑

(A straight smile.)

× BERT: Negative

√ ResNet: Positive

× MMTF: Negative

 $\sqrt{\text{SAMSAM: Positive}}$

Ground Truth: Positive

× BERT: Neutral

× ResNet: Neutral

× MMTF: Neutral

√ SAMSAM: Positive

Ground Truth: Positive

Figure 6: Examples of multimodal sentiment analysis produced by different models on CSMSA dataset.

Thanks!