#### **Fine-grained Contrastive Learning for Relation Extraction**

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## Motivation

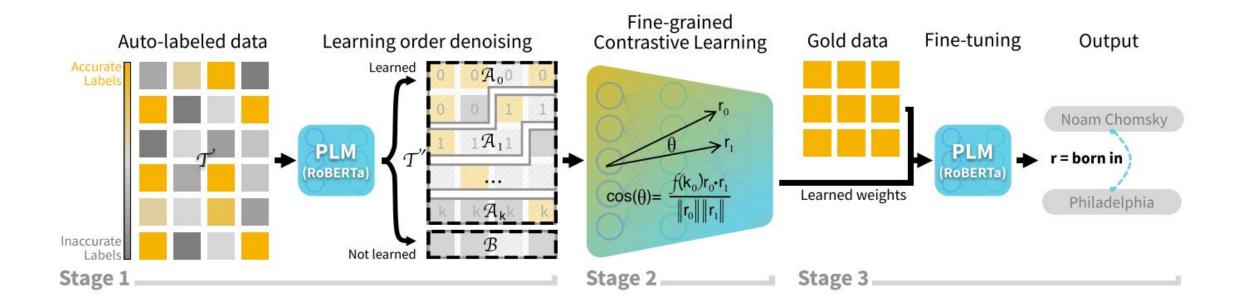
- 1. "Noam Chomsky was born in Philadelphia."
- 2. "Noam Chomsky gave a presentation in Philadelphia."
- 3. "Raised in the streets of Philadelphia, Noam Chomsky..."

[Noam Chomsky, born in, Philadelphia]

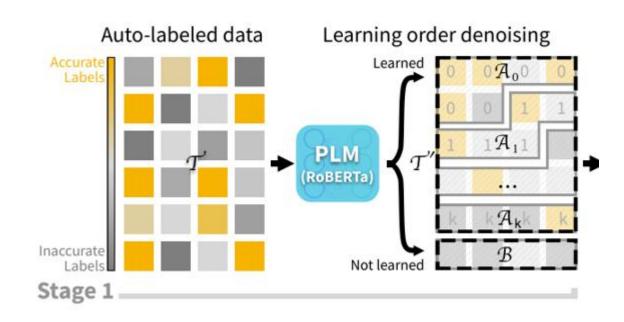
1.The authors argue that distantly supervised relation data contains a large number of mislabeled data

2.Conventional contrastive learning for RE does not account for differences in label accuracy—it treats all instances equally.

## Overview



#### Method



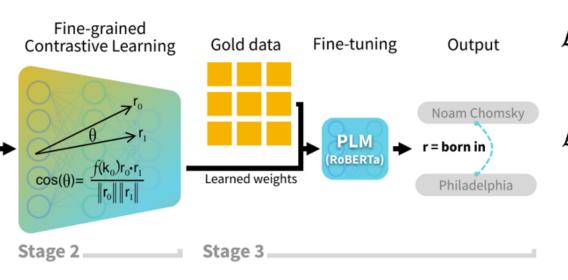
$$\mathcal{L}_{CE} = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} y_{o,i} \cdot \log \left( p\left(y_{o,i}\right) \right) \tag{1}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_0 \bigcup \mathcal{A}_1 ... \bigcup \mathcal{A}_k = \mathcal{A} \tag{2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_i \bigcap \mathcal{A}_j = \emptyset \text{ for all } i \neq j \tag{3}$$

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$$\mathbf{m}_{e_i} = \text{MeanPool}(\mathbf{h}_{n_{\text{start}}}, \dots, \mathbf{h}_{n_{\text{end}}}),$$
 (4)



$$\mathcal{L}_{E_{D}} = -\sum_{t_{jk} \in \mathcal{T}'} \log \frac{\exp(\cos(\mathbf{e}_{ij}, \mathbf{e}_{ik})/\tau)}{\sum_{l=1, l \neq j}^{|\mathcal{E}_{i}|} \exp(\cos(\mathbf{e}_{ij}, \mathbf{e}_{il})/\tau)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{R_{D}} = -\sum_{t_{A}, t_{B} \in \mathcal{T}'} f(k_{A}) \log \frac{\exp(\cos(\mathbf{r}_{t_{A}}, \mathbf{r}_{t_{B}})/\tau)}{\mathcal{Z}},$$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \sum_{t_{C} \in \mathcal{T}'/\{t_{A}\}}^{N} f(k_{C}) \exp(\cos(\mathbf{r}_{t_{A}}, \mathbf{r}_{t_{C}})/\tau)$$

$$f(k) = \alpha^{\frac{k_{\max} - k}{k_{\max} - k_{\min}}},$$
(5)

$$\mathcal{L}_{FineCL} = \mathcal{L}_{E_D} + \mathcal{L}_{R_D} + \mathcal{L}_{MLM}$$
 (7)

	Base Lang. Model	Pre-train objective	$R_{\mathrm{D}}$	$E_{D}$
BERT	BERT	MLM	×	×
RoBERTa	RoBERTa	MLM	$\times$	×
MTB	BERT	DPS	$\checkmark$	×
CP	BERT	CL + MLM	$\checkmark$	×
ERICA <sub>BERT</sub>	BERT	CL + MLM	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
<b>ERICA</b> <sub>RoBERTa</sub>	RoBERTa	CL + MLM	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
WCL	BERT	WCL + MLM	$\checkmark$	×
FineCL	RoBERTa	FineCL + MLM	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$

Table 1: A comparison of RE pre-training methods highlighting the pre-training objective: Mask Language Modeling (MLM), Dot Product Similarity (DPS), Contrastive Learning (CL), Weighted Contrastive Learning (WCL), and Fine-grained Contrastive Learning (FineCL). R<sub>D</sub> denotes the presence of relation discrimination in the loss function, and E<sub>D</sub> denotes the presence of entity discrimination in the loss function.

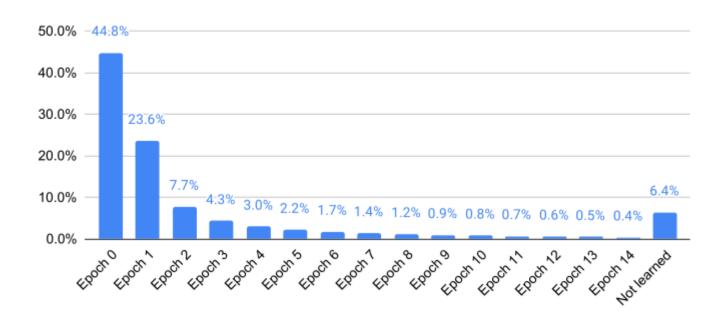


Figure 2: Percent of total training instances learned per epoch when recording *batch-based* learning order on distantly labeled data from DocRED.

Size	1	%	10	)%	10	0%
Metrics	F1	IgF1	F1	IgF1	F1	IgF1
CNN*	-	-	-	-	42.3	40.3
BiLSTM*	-	-	-	-	51.1	50.3
HINBERT*	_	_	_	_	55.6	53.7
CorefBERT*	32.8	31.2	46.0	43.7	57.0	54.5
SpanBERT*	32.2	30.4	46.4	44.5	57.3	55.0
ERNIE*	26.7	25.5	46.7	44.2	56.6	54.2
MTB*	29.0	27.6	46.1	44.1	56.9	54.3
CP*	30.3	28.7	44.8	42.6	55.2	52.7
BERT	19.9	18.8	45.2	43.1	56.6	54.4
RoBERTa	29.6	27.9	47.6	45.7	58.2	55.9
<b>ERICA</b> BERT	22.9	21.7	48.5	46.4	57.4	55.2
<b>ERICA</b> <sub>RoBERTa</sub>	30.0	28.2	<u>50.1</u>	<u>48.1</u>	<u>59.1</u>	<u>56.9</u>
WCL <sub>RoBERTa</sub>	22.3	20.8	49.4	47.5	58.5	56.2
FineCL	33.2	31.2	50.3	48.3	59.5	57.1

Table 3: F1-micro scores reported on the DocRED test set. IgF1 ignores performance on fact triples in the test set overlapping with triples in the train/dev sets. (\* denotes performance as reported in (Qin et al., 2021); all other numbers are from our implementations).

Metric	F1-macro	F1-macro-weighted
BERT	37.3	54.9
RoBERTa	39.6	56.9
$ERICA_{BERT}$	37.9	55.8
<b>ERICA</b> <sub>RoBERTa</sub>	<u>40.1</u>	<u>57.8</u>
WCL <sub>RoBERTA</sub>	39.9	57.2
FineCL	40.7	58.2

Table 4: F1-macro and F1-macro-weighted scores reported from the DocRED test set.

Dataset	TACRED			SemEval		
Size	1%	10%	100%	1%	10%	100%
MTB*	35.7	58.8	68.2	44.2	79.2	88.2
CP*	37.1	60.6	68.1	40.3	80.0	<u>88.5</u>
BERT	22.2	53.5	63.7	41.0	76.5	87.8
RoBERTa	27.3	61.1	69.3	43.6	77.7	87.5
$ERICA_{BERT}$	34.9	56.0	64.9	46.4	79.8	88.1
<b>ERICA</b> <sub>RoBERTa</sub>	<u>41.1</u>	<u>61.7</u>	69.5	<u>50.3</u>	80.9	88.4
$WCL_{RoBERTA}$	37.6	61.3	<u>69.7</u>	47.0	80.0	88.3
FineCL	43.7	62.7	70.3	51.2	81.0	88.7

Table 5: F1-micro scores reported from the TACRED and SemEval test sets (\* denotes performance as reported in (Qin et al., 2021); all other numbers are from our implementations).

<b>Epochs of learning order data</b>	% Learned	F1	IgF1
Baseline	N/A	58.7	56.5
1 Epoch	45	58.6	56.4
3 Epochs	76	58.6	56.3
5 Epochs	83	58.7	56.5
10 Epochs	92	58.8	56.6
15 Epochs	94	59.0	<b>56.7</b>

Table 6: Ablation experiment results on the DocRED test set with pre-trained models that use learning order data obtained with various training durations. Percent learned refers to the percent of training instances learned in the set of learned instances ( $\mathcal{A}$ ). "Baseline" is a pre-trained model that does not leverage learning order (i.e., all instances are weighted equally during pre-training).

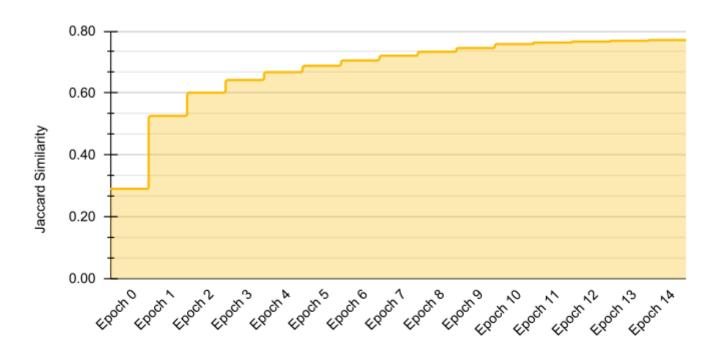


Figure 3: Cumulative Jaccard Similarity between sets of learned instances by epoch from RoBERTa and SSAN using distantly labeled training data from DocRED.

# Thanks!