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Retriever for Language Models

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- Uncertainty Quantification
- Large Language Models

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Large Language Models(LLM)

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- 대용량의 언어 모델을 통해 다양한 task를 수행할 수 있음

Input X Question: The Dodecanese Campaig n of WWII that was an attempt by the Al lied forces to capture islands in the Aeg ean Sea was the inspiration for which a cdaimed 1961 commando film? Answer: QA Task

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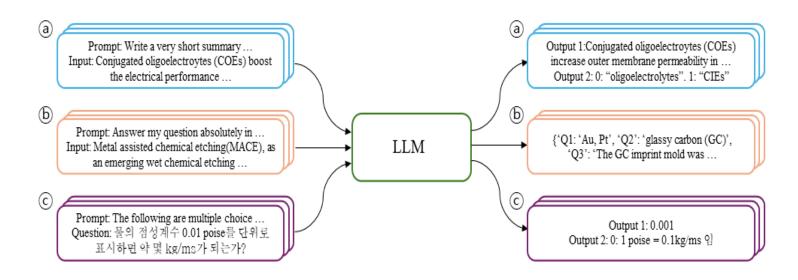


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What is LLM?

Instruction-tuning

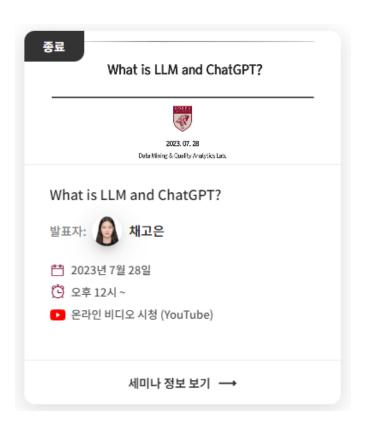
- Instruction(지시문) / input text / output text 데이터셋을 통해 지도 학습 형식으로 학습
- 사용자의 의도 및 task에 맞게 LLM을 잘 활용하기 위해서는 instruction-tuning이 필수적

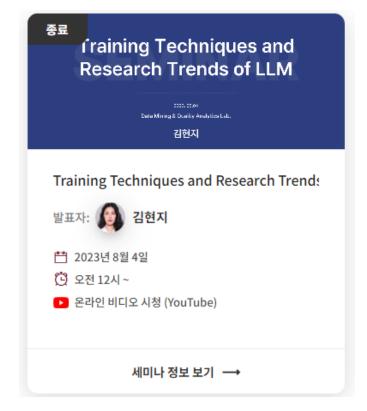


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Related Seminar

❖ Language Model들의 발전과 LLM에 대해 소개한 세미나

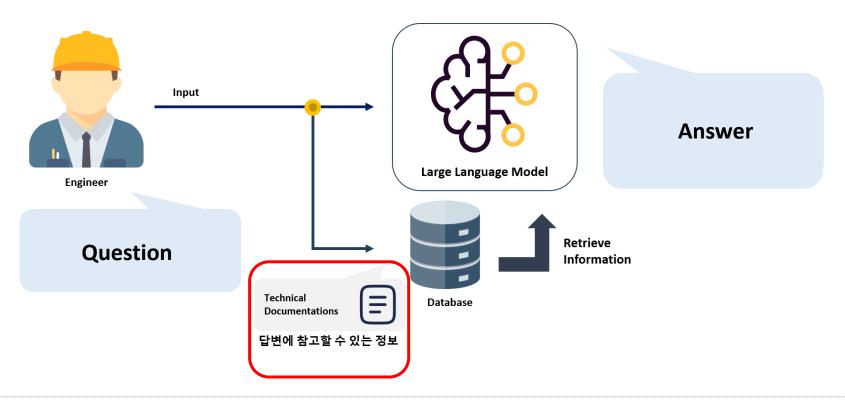




Development of LLM

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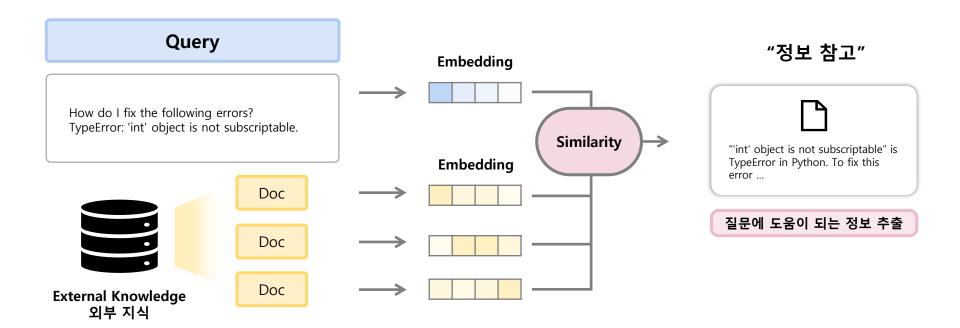
- 기존 LLM의 한계: 특정 도메인 텍스트에 대해서는 부적절한 답변 출력
- 회수 모델(Retriever)이 질문과 관련된 정보를 데이터베이스에서 탐색하여 모델에 함께 입력



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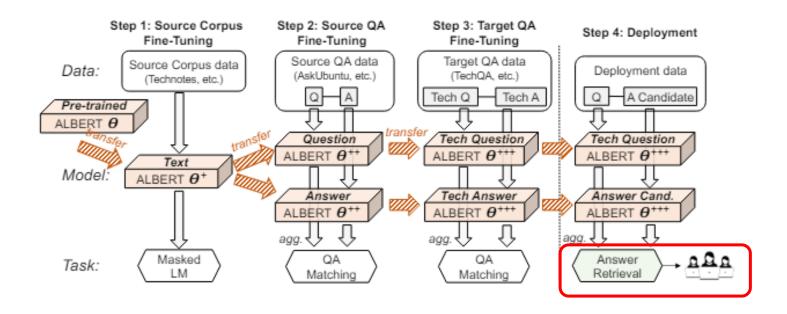
• 임베딩 벡터 간 유사도 기반으로 쿼리와 관련된 정보 추출



Development of LLM

What is Retrieval?

- <mark>질문과 관련된 정보를 잘 회수하도록</mark> 모델을 학습하는 방법론들도 지속적으로 연구되고 있음
- ALBERT: BERT를 경량화 시킨 모델



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C-Pack: Packed Resources For General Chinese Embeddings

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ABSTRACT

We introduce C-Pack, a package of resources that significantly advances the field of general text embeddings for Chinese. C-Pack includes three critical resources. 1) C-MTP is a massive training dataset for text embedding, which is based on the curation of vast unlabeled corpora and the integration of high-quality labeled corpora. 2) C-MTEB is a comprehensive benchmark for Chinese text embeddings covering 6 tasks and 35 datasets. 3) BGE is a family of embedding models covering multiple sizes. Our models outperform all prior Chinese text embeddings on C-MTEB by more than +10% upon the time of the release. We also integrate and optimize the entire suite of training methods for BGE. Along with our resources on general Chinese embedding, we release our data and models for English text embeddings. The English models also achieve stateof-the-art performance on the MTEB benchmark; meanwhile, our released English data is 2 times larger than the Chinese data. Both Chinese and English datasets are the largest public release of training data for text embeddings. All these resources are made publicly available at https://github.com/FlagOpen/FlagEmbedding.

CCS CONCEPTS

Information systems → Retrieval models and ranking.

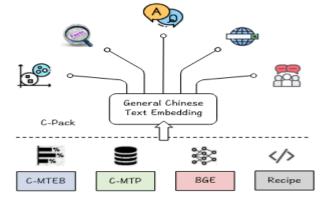
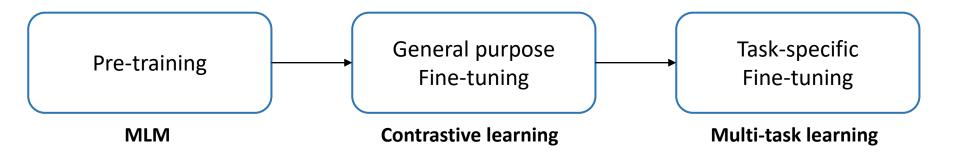


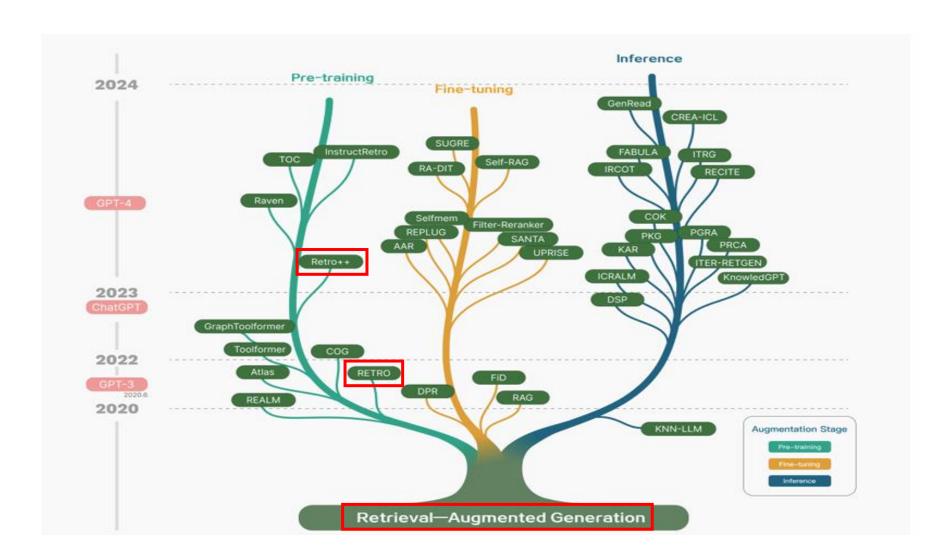
Figure 1: C-Pack presents 4 critical resources to support general Chinese embedding: C-MTEB (comprehensive evaluation benchmark), C-MTP (massive training data), BGE (powerful pre-trained models), the entire-suite of training recipe.

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- BGE: 대용량의 임베딩 모델로 많은 연구에서 retriever로 사용 됨
 - ▶ BERT 기반으로 **다양한 데이터셋 및 tasks(retrieval 포함)**로 학습된 모델







Paper

- Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks (2020, NeurIPS)
 - RAG 파이프라인을 처음으로 제시한 연구

Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

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Abstract

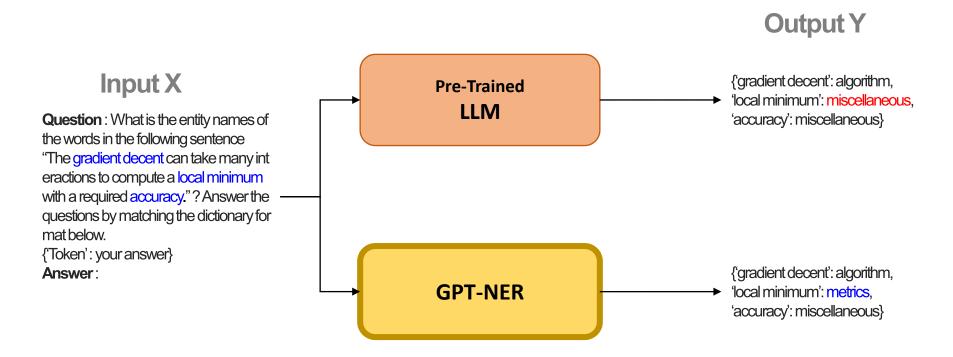
Large pre-trained language models have been shown to store factual knowledge in their parameters, and achieve state-of-the-art results when fine-tuned on downstream NLP tasks. However, their ability to access and precisely manipulate knowledge is still limited, and hence on knowledge-intensive tasks, their performance lags behind task-specific architectures. Additionally, providing provenance for their decisions and updating their world knowledge remain open research problems. Pre-trained models with a differentiable access mechanism to explicit nonparametric memory can overcome this issue, but have so far been only investigated for extractive downstream tasks. We explore a general-purpose fine-tuning recipe for retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) — models which combine pre-trained parametric and non-parametric memory for language generation. We introduce RAG models where the parametric memory is a pre-trained seq2seq model and the non-parametric memory is a dense vector index of Wikipedia, accessed with a pre-trained neural retriever. We compare two RAG formulations, one which conditions on the same retrieved passages across the whole generated sequence, and another which can use different passages per token. We fine-tune and evaluate our models on a wide range of knowledge-intensive NLP tasks and set the state of the art on three open domain QA tasks, outperforming parametric seq2seq models and task-specific retrieve-and-extract architectures. For language generation tasks, we find that RAG models generate more specific, diverse and factual language than a state-of-the-art parametric-only seq2seq baseline.



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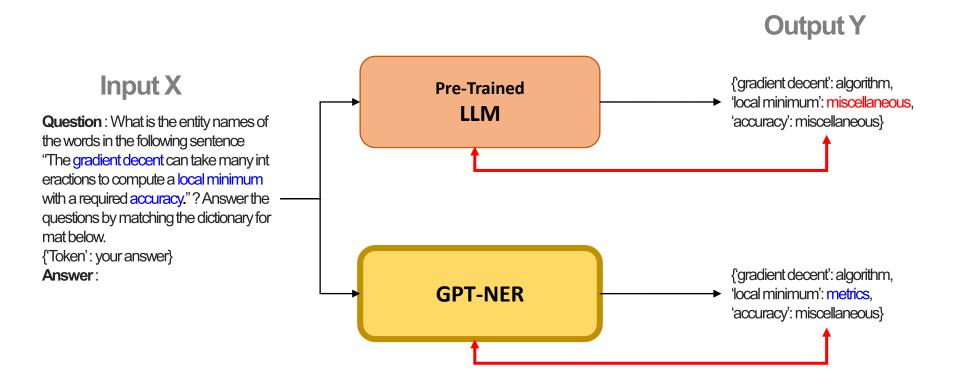
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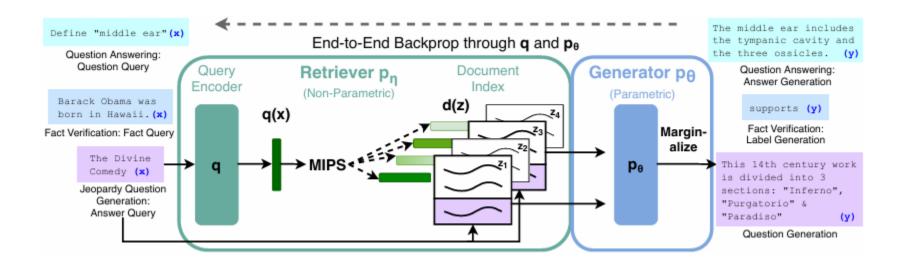
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- 모델의 output이 어떤 정보(파라미터)를 참고하는지 알기 어려움



Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

RAG Framework

• Retriever, Generator 두 모델로 구성

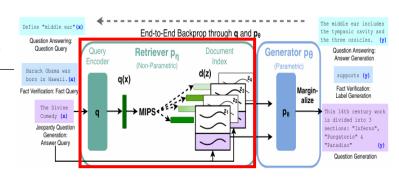


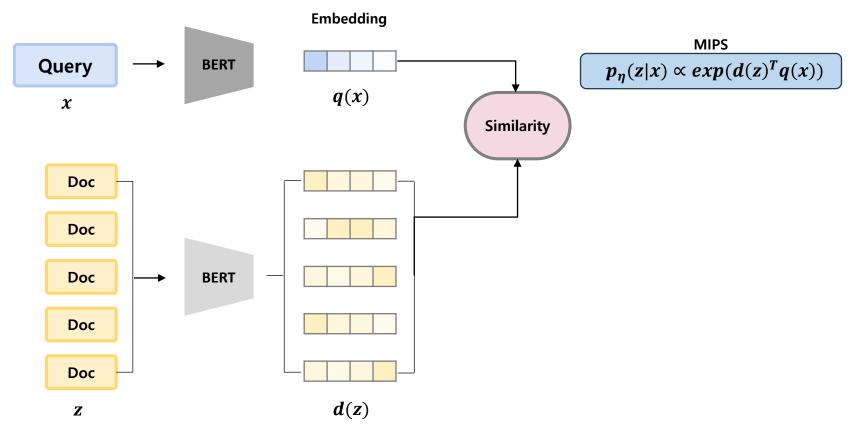


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* Retriever: DPR

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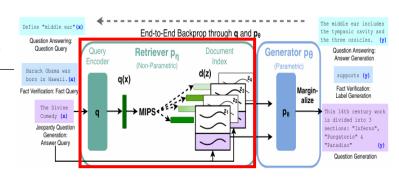


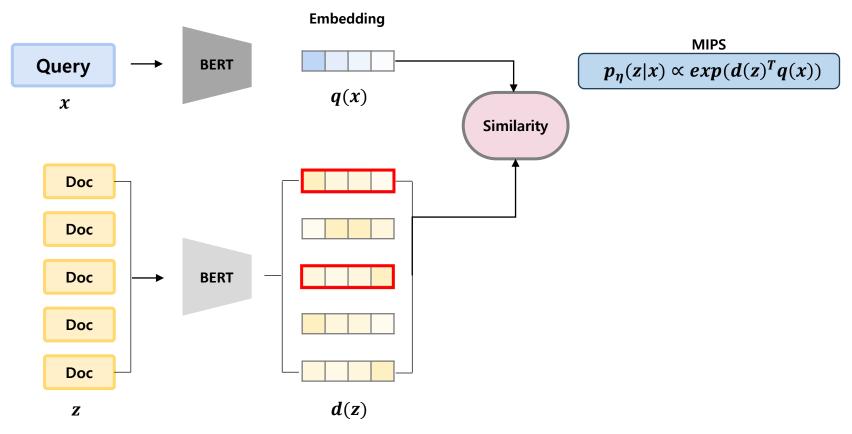


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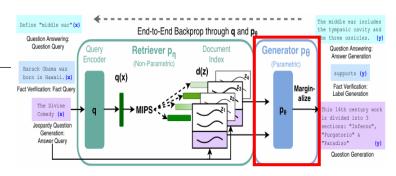


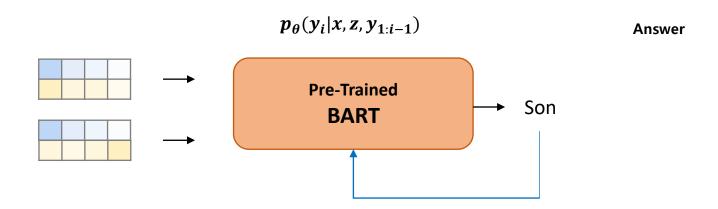
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Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

Generator: BART

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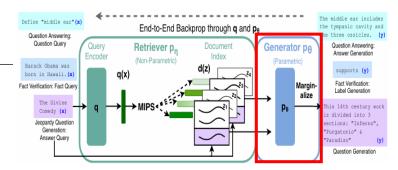


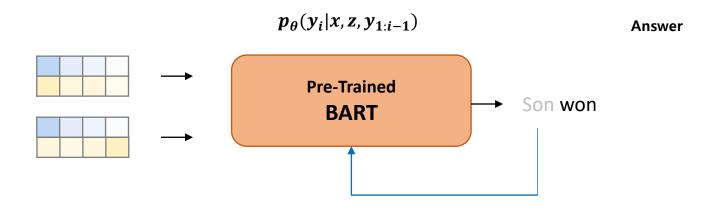


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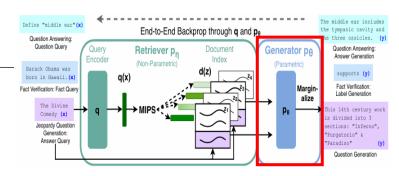


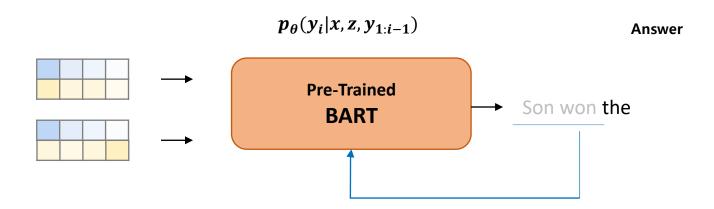


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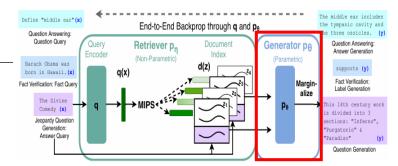


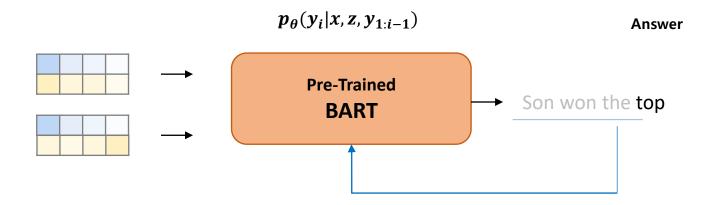


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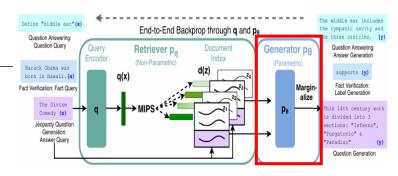


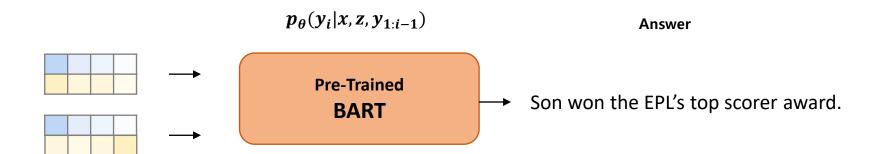


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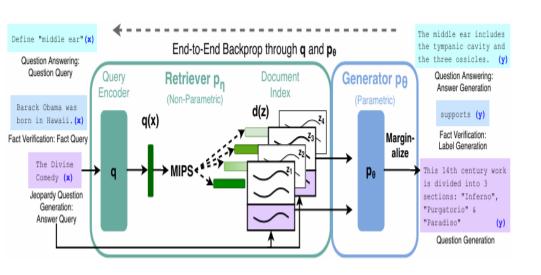




Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

RAG-Sequence Model vs RAG-Token Model

- RAG-Sequence Model : 각 output token 마다 같은 retrieved document 사용
- RAG-Token Model : 각 output token 마다 다른 retrieved document 사용



$$\sum_{\mathbf{z} \in top-k(p(\cdot|\mathbf{x}))} p_{\eta}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}) \prod_{i}^{N} p_{\theta}(y_{i}|\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, y_{1:i-1})$$

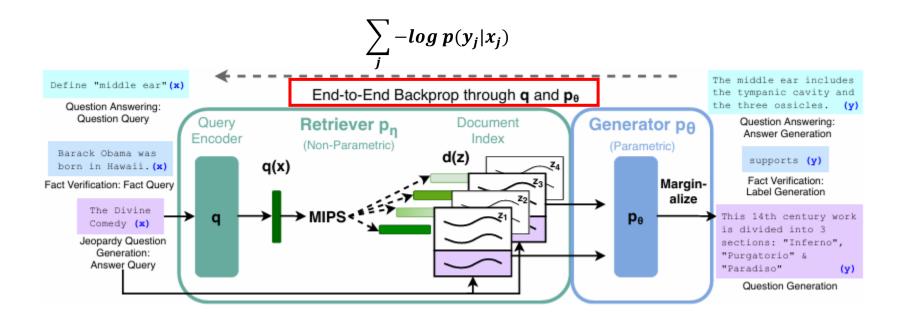
[RAG-Sequence Model]

$$\prod_{i}^{N} \sum_{z \in top-k(p(\cdot|x))} p_{\eta}(z|x) p_{\theta}(y_{i}|x, \mathbf{z}_{i}, y_{1:i-1})$$

[RAG-Token Model]

Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

Training





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Experiments – Main results

	Model	NQ	TQA	WQ	CT
Closed	T5-11B [52]	34.5	- /50.1	37.4	-
Book	T5-11B+SSM [52]	36.6	- /60.5	44.7	
Open	REALM [20]	40.4	- / -	40.7	46.8
Book	DPR [26]	41.5	57.9/ -	41.1	50.6
	RAG-Token RAG-Seq.		55.2/66.1 56.8/ 68.0	45.5 45.2	50.0 52.2

Model					FVR3 Labe	
SotA	-	-	49.8*	49.9*	76.8	92.2*
BART	15.1	19.7	38.2	41.6	64.0	81.1
RAG-Tok. RAG-Seq.				41.5 44.2	72.5	<u>89.5</u>

[Open-Domain QA]

[Abstractive QA]

Table 4: Human assessments for the Jeopardy Question Generation Task.

	Factuality	Specificity
BART better	7.1%	16.8%
RAG better	42.7%	37.4%
Both good	11.7%	11.8%
Both poor	17.7%	6.9%
No majority	20.8%	20.1%

Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

❖ Experiments – 정성적 평가

Task	Input	Model	Generation
MS-	define middle ear	RAG-T	[?] The middle ear is the part of the ear between the middle ear and the nose. The middle ear is the portion of the ear internal to the eardrum. The middle ear includes the tympanic cavity and the three ossicles.
MARCO	what currency needed in scotland	RAG-T	The currency needed in Scotland is Pound sterling. Pound is the currency needed in Scotland. The currency needed in Scotland is the pound sterling.
Jeopardy Question Gener -ation	Washington	RAG-T	[?] This state has the largest number of counties in the U.S. It's the only U.S. state named for a U.S. president It's the state where you'll find Mount Rainier National Park
	The Divine Comedy		*This epic poem by Dante is divided into 3 parts: the Inferno, the Purgatorio & the Purgatorio Dante's "Inferno" is the first part of this epic poem This 14th century work is divided into 3 sections: "Inferno", "Purgatorio" & "Paradiso"



Retrieval-Augmented Generation for Knowledge-Intensive NLP Tasks

Experiments – Ablation study

Table 6: Ablations on the dev set. As FEVER is a classification task, both RAG models are equivalent.

Model	NQ	TQA Exact	WQ Match	CT	Jeopa B-1	rdy-QGen QB-1	MSN R-L	Iarco B-1	FVR-3 Label A	FVR-2 accuracy
RAG-Token-BM25 RAG-Sequence-BM25	29.7 31.8	41.5 44.1	32.1 36.6	33.1 33.8	17.5 11.1	22.3 19.5	55.5 56.5	48.4 46.9	75.1	91.6
RAG-Token-Frozen RAG-Sequence-Frozen	37.8 41.2	50.1 52.1	37.1 41.8	51.1 52.6	16.7 11.8	21.7 19.6	55.9 56.7	49.4 47.3	72.9	89.4
RAG-Token RAG-Sequence	43.5 44.0	54.8 55.8	46.5 44.9	51.9 53.4	17.9 15.3	22.6 21.5	56.2 57.2	49.4 47.5	74.5	90.6

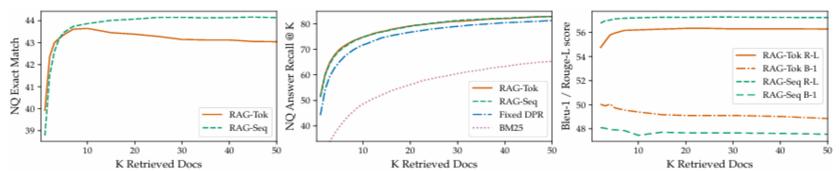


Figure 3: Left: NQ performance as more documents are retrieved. Center: Retrieval recall performance in NQ. Right: MS-MARCO Bleu-1 and Rouge-L as more documents are retrieved.

Paper

- Improving Language Models by Retrieving from Trillions of Tokens (2022, PMLR)
 - 2 trillion token database를 통해 성능을 향상시킨 RETRO(Retrieval-Enhanced Transformer) 제안

Improving Language Models by Retrieving from Trillions of Tokens

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Abstract

We enhance auto-regressive language models by conditioning on document chunks retrieved from a large corpus, based on local similarity with preceding tokens. With a 2 trillion token database, our Retrieval-Enhanced Transformer (RETRO) obtains comparable performance to GPT-3 and Jurassic-1 on the Pile, despite using 25× fewer parameters. After fine-tuning, RETRO performance translates to downstream knowledge-intensive tasks such as question answering. RETRO combines a frozen BERT retriever, a differentiable encoder and a chunked cross-attention mechanism to predict tokens based on an order of magnitude more data than what is typically consumed during training. We typically train RETRO from scratch, yet can also rapidly RETROfit pre-trained transformers with retrieval and still achieve good performance. Our work opens up new avenues for improving language models through explicit memory at unprecedented scale.

rameters. Transformers have been scaled from millions of parameter models in seminal work to over hundred billion parameters (Brown et al., 2020), which has led to models that do well on a wide array of tasks in a zero or few-shot formulation. Increasing model size predictably improves performance on downstream tasks (Kaplan et al., 2020). Increasing the number of parameters is beneficial in two ways: additional computations at training and inference time, and increased memorization of the training data.

We endeavor to decouple these improvements, by efficiently augmenting language models with a massive-scale memory without significantly increasing computations. Specifically, we suggest retrieval from a large text database as a complementary path to scaling language models. Instead of increasing the model size and training on more data, we equip models with the ability to directly access a large database to perform predictions—a semi-parametric approach. At a high level, our Retrieval Transformer (RETRO) model splits the input sequence into chunks and retrieves text similar to the previous chunk to improve the predictions in the current chunk. Existing retrieval for language modelling work only

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Improving Language Models by Retrieving from Trillions of Tokens

❖ 연구 배경

• Computation resource를 증가시키지 않으면서 대규모 text database를 통해 언어 모델의 **효율성**과 **성능**을 향상시키고자 함

Pre-Trained GPT-1

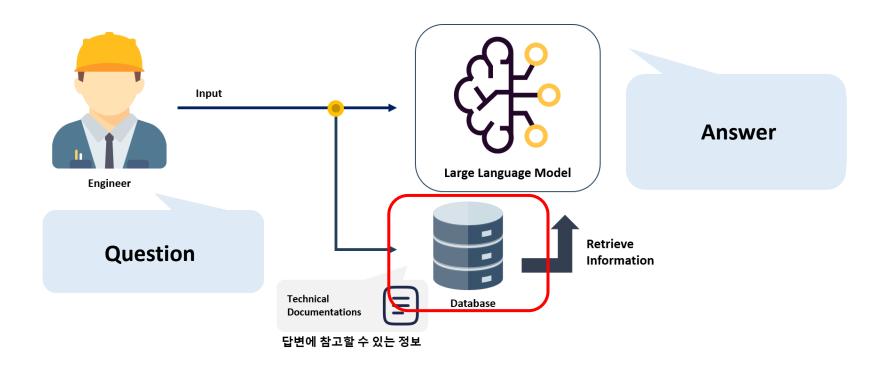
Pre-Trained GPT-2

Pre-Trained GPT-3

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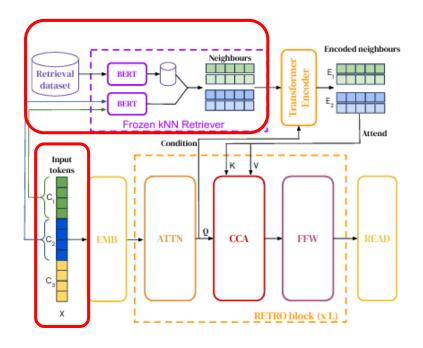
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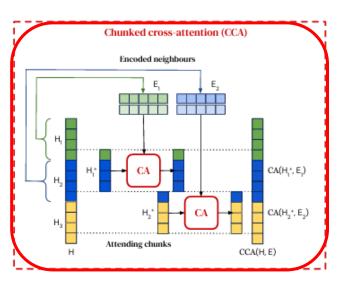


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RETRO Framework

- Chunk: 특정 개수의 token을 묶어 입력 값으로 사용
- Continuation: Retrieval dataset에서 특정 passage 바로 다음에 나오는 연속된 passage
- Chunked Cross-Attention: Chunk 단위의 input에 대해서 retrieval한 정보와 cross-attention 수행



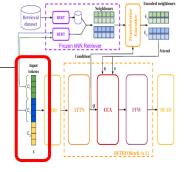


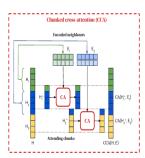
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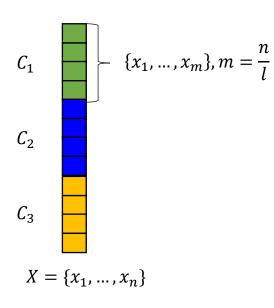
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Chunk

- 특정 개수의 token을 묶어 입력 값으로 사용
 - Ex. Samsung released a new phone this year with an interpreter function.
- 연산 부담을 감소시킴





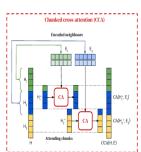


$$L(X|\theta,D) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^{n} l_{\theta}(x_{i}|(x_{j})_{j < i'}(RET_{D}(C_{v}))_{v < u_{i}})$$

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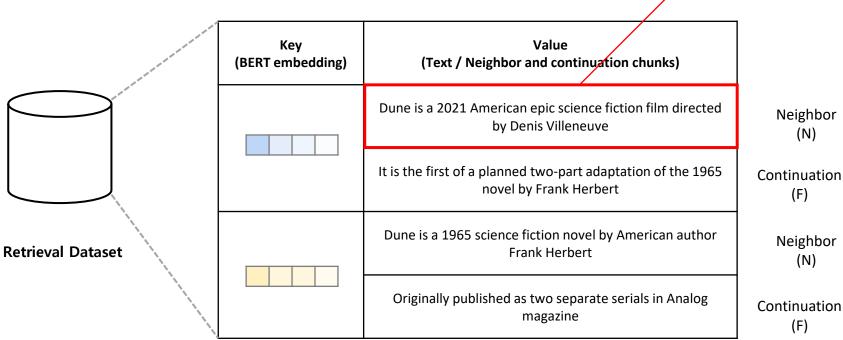


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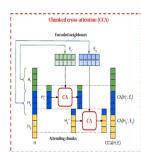
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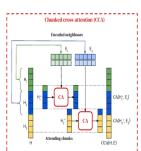
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Original text 다음 text Kev Value (BERT embedding) (Text / Neighbor and continuation chunks) Dune is a 2021 American epic science fiction film directed Neighbor by Denis Villeneuve (N) It is the first of a planned two-part adaptation of the 1965 Continuation novel by Frank Herbert (F) Dune is a 1965 science fiction novel by American author Neighbor **Retrieval Dataset** Frank Herbert (N) Originally published as two separate serials in Analog Continuation magazine (F)

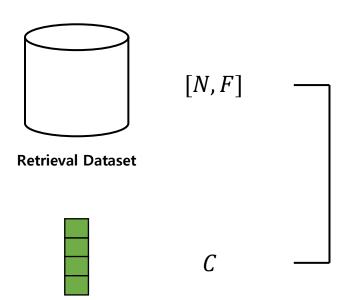
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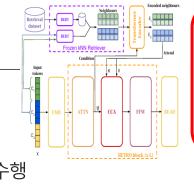
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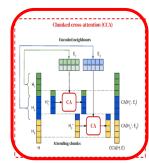
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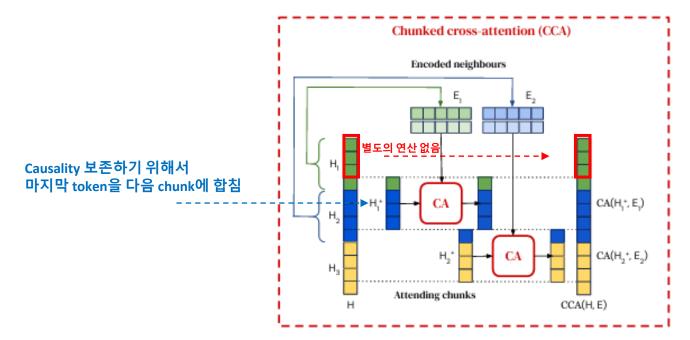
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Chunked Cross-Attention(CCA)

- Chunk 단위의 input에 대해서 retrieval한 정보와 cross-attention 수행
- 보다 낮은 연산 비용으로 retrieval한 정보와 attention 수행
- Self-attention을 통해 마지막 token은 이전 token(chunk)들의 정보를 가지고 있음
 - > Chunk간의 causality 보존



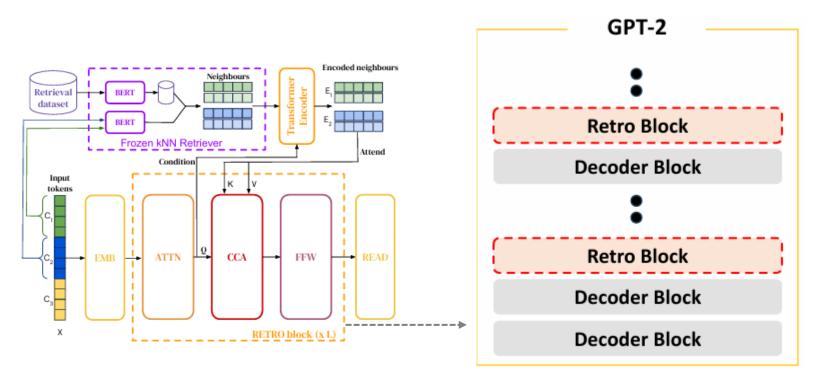




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Decoder block

- 최초로 decoder-only 모델 구조(GPT-2)를 generator로 사용
- GPT-2 기반의 decoder에 retro block을 중간 중간에 삽입



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Experiments

- Retrieval dataset을 키움에 따라 우수한 성능 도출
- FID: 사전 학습된 T5 모델이 encoder output에 보다 많이 의존

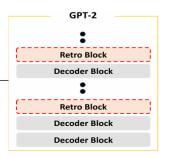
Table 2. Perplexities on Wikitext103. When using the Wikpedia dataset for retrieval, RETRO performs similarly to our implementation of kNN-LM. As we scale the retrieval dataset, RETRO performs better, in part due to exploiting chunk-level leakage.

Model / Database	#tokens	#keys	Valid	Test
Adapt. inputs / -	-	-	17.96	18.65
SPALM / Wiki	3B	3B	17.20	17.60
kNN-LM / Wiki	3B	3B	16.06	16.12
Megatron / -	-	-	-	10.81
Baseline / -	-	-	21.53	22.96
kNN-LM / Wiki	4B	4B	18.52	19.54
Retro / Wiki	4B	0.06B	18.46	18.97
Retro / C4	174B	2.9B	12.87	10.23
RETRO / MT 1%	18B	0.8B	18.92	20.33
RETRO / MT 10%	179B	4B	13.54	14.95
RETRO / MT 100%	1.8T	28B	3.21	3.92

Table 3. Question answering results on Natural Questions.

Model	Test Accuracy
REALM (Guu et al., 2020)	40.4
DPR (Karpukhin et al., 2020)	41.5
RAG (Lewis et al., 2020)	44.5
EMDR ² (Sachan et al., 2021)	52.5
FID (Izacard & Grave, 2021)	51.4
FID + Distill. (Izacard et al., 2020)	54.7
Baseline 7B (closed book)	30.4
RETRO 7.5B (DPR retrieval)	45.5

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Experiments

• RETROfit: 사전 학습된 GPT-2에서 decoder block 파라미터는 고정 / retro block 파라미터만 업데이트

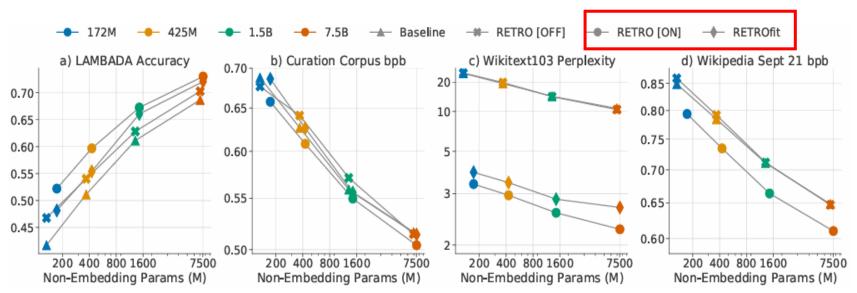


Figure 3. Scaling with respect to model size. (a) LAMBADA top-1 accuracy. (b) Evaluation loss on curation corpus. (c) Perplexity on Wikitext103 valid. (d) Bits-per-byte on selected Wikipedia articles from September 2021.

Paper

Shall We Pretrain Autoregressive Language Models with Retrieval? (2023, EMNLP)

- 기존 RETRO는 코드가 공개되어 있지 않아 NVIDIA 및 대학 연구진들이 구현 및 추가 실험 진행
- RETRO++: RETRO에 추가적인 fine-tuning을 적용하여 구현

Shall We Pretrain Autoregressive Language Models with Retrieval? A Comprehensive Study

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Abstract

Large decoder-only language models (LMs) can be largely improved in terms of perplexity by retrieval (e.g., RETRO), but its impact on text generation quality and downstream task accuracy is unclear. Thus, it is still an open question: shall we pretrain large autoregressive LMs with retrieval? To answer it, we perform a comprehensive study on a scalable pretrained retrieval-augmented LM (i.e., RETRO) compared with standard GPT and retrievalaugmented GPT incorporated at fine-tuning or inference stages. We first provide the recipe to reproduce RETRO up to 9.5B parameters while retrieving a text corpus with 330B tokens. Based on that, we have the following novel findings: i) RETRO outperforms GPT on text generation with much less degeneration (i.e., repetition), moderately higher factual accuracy, and slightly lower toxicity with a nontoxic retrieval database. ii) On the LM Evaluation Harness benchmark, RETRO largely outperforms GPT on knowledge-intensive tasks, but is on par with GPT on other tasks. Furthermore, we introduce a simple variant of the model, RETRO++, which largely improves open-domain QA results of original RETRO (e.g., EM score +8.6 on Natural Question) and significantly outperforms retrieval-augmented GPT in both finetuning and zero-shot evaluation settings. Our findings highlight the promising direction of pretraining autoregressive LMs with retrieval as future foundation models. We release our code and model at: https://github.com/N VIDIA/Megatron-LM/blob/main/tools/re tro/README.md.

2020), BART (Lewis et al., 2020a)), have obtained state-of-the-art results for various NLP tasks. Among them, the autoregressive LMs like GPT-3 (Brown et al., 2020) and GPT-4 (OpenAI, 2023) demonstrate noticeable in-context learning ability and excellent long-form text generation results. Due to its importance, the community has spent considerable efforts to scale up such autoregressive generative LMs with more data and parameters and observed significant breakthroughs in a variety of real-world applications (e.g., Brown et al., 2020), including open-ended text generation and various downstream tasks (e.g., question answering). The successful public examples include GPT-3 (w/ 170B parameters) (Brown et al., 2020), Gopher (280B) (Rae et al., 2021), Megatron-Turing (530B) (Smith et al., 2022), and PaLM (540B) (Chowdhery et al., 2022).

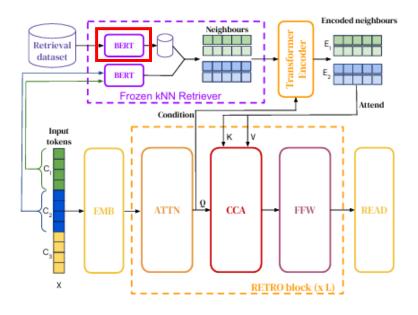
Although large-scale autoregressive LMs have achieved huge successes, they also suffer from several weaknesses. First, it requires a huge number of model parameters to memorize the world knowledge, which makes it costly for deployment. Second, it is difficult to safeguard factual accuracy, which may provide users with incorrect information (Lee et al., 2022). Third, it is expensive to update the model knowledge learned during pretraining with up-to-date facts (Meng et al., 2022), yielding outdated answers (Lewis et al., 2020b).

To mitigate the problems above, one line of research proposes to improve language models with retrieval. The retrieval process can be inte-

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❖ RETRO++

- 사전 학습된 RETRO 모델에 retrieval task에 대해 fine-tuning 수행
- Retrieval된 정보들 중 최상위 정보는 Template A에 추가하고 나머지는 encoder에 저장



Template A

title: {title}source: {source}
 \n question: {question}
 \n answer: {answer}

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Experiments

전체적으로 가이드라인 실험들을 진행

Metrics	Small		Medium		XL		XXL	
Metrics	GPT	RETRO	GPT	RETRO	GPT	RETRO	GPT	RETRO
Repetition %	2.86%	2.26%	1.70%	1.50%	1.44%	0.96%	1.40%	1.12%
Self-BLEU	0.29	0.3	0.29	0.3	0.29	0.29	0.31	0.31
Zipf Coefficient	0.98	0.98	0.96	0.98	0.97	0.98	0.96	0.96

Table 3: Automatic evaluation on text generation quality for RETRO and GPT across different sizes.

Models	Retrieval	Exp.	Max. To	oxicity (\psi)	To	xicity Pr	ob. (↓)
	Database	Full	Toxic	Nontoxic	Full	Toxic	Nontoxic
GPT	-	0.44	0.64	0.39	37%	74%	27%
$\begin{aligned} & \text{Retro (top-}N=2, \text{top-}K=2) \\ & \text{Retro (top-}N=5, \text{top-}K=2) \\ & \text{Retro (top-}N=10, \text{top-}K=2) \end{aligned}$	Pretraining Pretraining Pretraining	$egin{array}{c} 0.46 \\ 0.46 \\ 0.46 \\ \end{array}$	$0.66 \\ 0.66 \\ 0.66$	0.40 0.40 0.40	40% 39% 39%	76% 77% 76%	30% 29% 29%
RETRO (top- $N=2$, top- $K=2$)	Wiki	0.43	0.64	0.38	35%	73%	25%
RETRO (top- $N=5$, top- $K=2$)	Wiki	0.43	0.64	0.38	35%	71%	26%
RETRO (top- $N=10$, top- $K=2$)	Wiki	0.43	0.64	0.38	35%	71%	26%

Table 5: Evaluation of LM toxicity for GPT (XL) and RETRO (XL). Model toxicity is evaluated on REALTOXICITYPROMPTS. Full refers to the full set of prompts, Toxic and Nontoxic refer to the toxic and nontoxic subsets of prompts. \downarrow means the lower, the better. RETRO can filter from top-N nearest neighbors and select the top-K nontoxic neighbors for retrieval.

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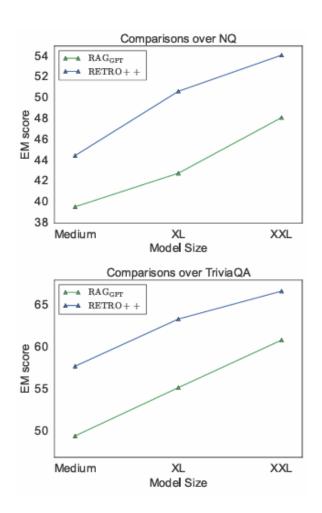
Experiments

• 전체적으로 가이드라인 실험들을 진행

RAG에 **decoder-only** 모델 적용 가능성 확인

Method	NQ	TriviaQA
GPT (close book)	36.1	45.1
REALM (Guu et al., 2020)	40.4	-
DPR (Karpukhin et al., 2020)	41.5	56.8
RAG _{BART} (Lewis et al., 2020b)	44.5	56.1
RAG_{GPT}	50.9	60.9
FiD_{Large} (Izacard and Grave, 2021)	51.4	67.6
RETRO (Ours)	40.9	59.9
RETRO (Borgeaud et al., 2022)	45.5	-
RETRO++ (Ours)	54.1	66.7

Table 7: Comparisons of our RETRO and existing QA models. We report the best results with the largest model configuration respectively.



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Experiments

- 추가적인 Instruction-tuning에 따른 실험 결과
- 공개된 Instruction-tuning dataset을 조합하여 학습

	RAG_{GPT}	RETRO++
w/o Instruction tuning	24.43	25.93
w/ Instruction tuning	29.75	31.16

RAG fine-tuning 진행 후 **추가적인 Instruction-tuning**도 가능

Table 8: Exact Match (EM) scores for the *zero-shot* evaluation of RAG_{GPT} and RETRO++ on the NQ dataset before and after instruction tuning.

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Conclusion

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RAG

- 외부 database를 통한 Retriever을 활용하여 언어 모델의 성능을 향상시킴
- 기존 사전 학습된 언어 모델을 generator로 사용 및 연산 측면에서 많은 개선 여지를 보임

❖ RETRO

- Chunk, Continuation, CCA, Decoder-only generator 활용하여 성능을 향상시킴
- CCA를 통해 연산적인 문제도 완화시킴

❖ RETRO++

- RETRO를 직접 구현 및 추가적인 fine-tuning을 수행한 RETRO++ 제안
- 다양한 실험을 통해 RAG 및 RETRO 프레임워크의 가이드 라인 제시

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