Vietnamese caption generation for images

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I.Introduction

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What is

Image Caption Generation?

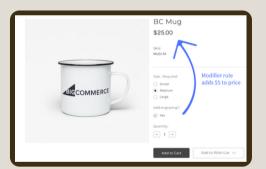
• Image caption generation is the process of generating a textual description for given images



Một cầu thủ bóng đá đang chuẩn bị sút bóng

Applications of Images Caption Generation







- Support people with visual impairments
- Describe product images in the commerce field

• Optimize the search quality for image based search engines

- Image captioning models transcribe the surrounding scenes and output the caption into a text to speech model
- Image captioning models can be used to automatically generate the description to understand and describe product images on their websites
- Image captioning models can also be integrated to classify videos and images based on different scenarios therefore optimize the search quality for image based search engines

Contributions

- Built a full Vietnamese version training dataset from the MS-COCO dataset for Vietnamese caption
- Created Flickr900 to extend existing Vietnameses captioning dataset UIT-ViIC which contain sport-ball images to balance this dataset
- Made a simple annotation tool for dataset construction to assist annotator to create caption efficiently
- Improved the model performance by combining the previous works with newly proposed techniques





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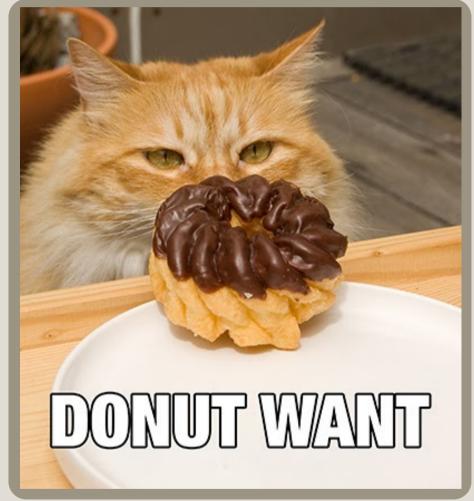
Related Works

- Each of these datasets is based on an existing English dataset, the most prominent of which is MS-COCO
- There are three datasets IAPR TC-12, AIC-ICC and WikiCaps that use data from the internet instead of the popular dataset from MS-COCO and Flickr
- UIT-ViIC is the first image captioning dataset in Vietnamese, adopting Microsoft COCO as its data source

Dataset	Release	Data source	Languages	Images	Sentences	Application	
IAPR TC-12 [5]	2006	Internet	English/German	20,000	100,000	Image retrieval	
D 1 [C]	2015	Pascal	Iononoso/English	1,000	5,000	Cross-lingual	
Pascal sentences [6]		sentences	Japanese/English			document retrieval	
YJ Captions [7]	2016	MS-COCO	Japanese/English	26,500	131,470	Image Captioning	
MIC test data [8]	2016	MS-COCO	French/German/ English 1,000 5,000		Image retrieval		
Bilingual caption [9]	2016	MS-COCO	German/English	1,000	1,000	Machine translation -	
Diningual caption [5]	2010					Image Captioning	
Multi20k [9]	2016	Flickr30k	German/English	21,014	186,084	Machine translation -	
Multi30k [2]	2010					Image Captioning	
Flickr 8k-CN [10]	2016	Flickr 8k	Chinese/English	8,000	45,000	Image Captioning	
AIC-ICC [11]	2017	Internet	Chinese	240,000	1,200,000	Image Captioning	
Flickr30k-CN [12]	2017	Flickr30k	Chinese/English	1,000	5,000	Image Captioning	
STAIR Captions [13]	2017	MS-COCO	Japanese/English	164,062	820,310	Image Captioning	
	2018	MS-COCO	Chinese/English	20,342	27,128	Image tagging -	
COCO-CN [14]						Image captioning -	
						Image retrieval	
	2018				0 3,825,132	Multimodal	
WildCone [15]		Wikimedia	German/French/	0.010.040		machine translation -	
WikiCaps [15]		Commons	Russian/English	3,816,940		Image retrieval -	
						Image captioning	
UIT-ViIC [4]	2020	MS-COCO	Vietnamese/English	3,850	19,250	Image Captioning	
COCO-VN	0001	MC COCO	Watnamas /English	110 244	591.720	Imaga Cantiania	
(this paper)	2021	MS-COCO	Vietnamese/English	118.344		Image Captioning	
Flickr900	2021	Eli alm20le	Vietnemese/En-li-l	000	4500	Imaga Contioning	
(this paper)	2021	Flickr30k	Vietnamese/English	900	4500	Image Captioning	

Non-English public image datasets with manually annotated

Data Creation CoCo-Vn datasets



<u>English:</u> A cat stares at a chocolate topped donut, with the caption reading, "donut want."

<u>Unpreprocessed:</u> Một con mèo nhìn chằm chằm vào chiếc bánh donut phủ sô cô la với chú thích đọc là "muốn có bánh rán".

<u>Preprocessed:</u> Một con mèo nhìn chằm chằm vào chiếc bánh rán phủ sô cô la.

-	Preprocessing the english dataset
2	Remove passive voice ("that reads", "that says", "telling")
}	Remove specific brand of items or company
	Remove name of people, places, street, national,.
	Rewrite sentences that are not in simple form

Remove detailed information

Fixing miss spelling word

Data Creation

Flickr900 datasets



<u>English caption:</u> Two volleyball players standing next to a net that is part of an indoor court, celebrating a win or a point scored, with several people looking on.

<u>Translated google translate:</u> Hai cầu thủ bóng chuyền đứng cạnh lưới là một phần của sân trong nhà, ăn mừng một chiến thắng hoặc một điểm ghi được, với một số người đang nhìn.

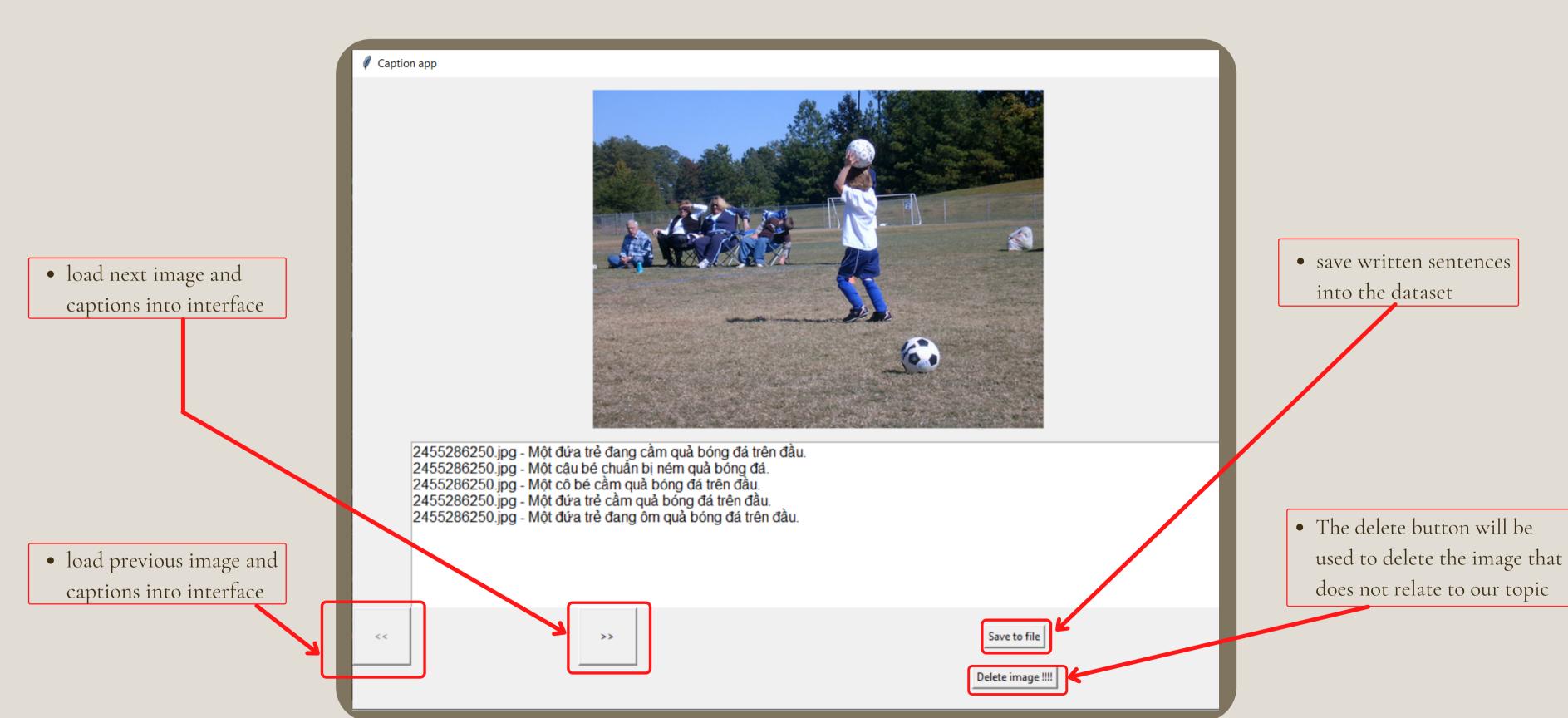
Flickr900 manual annotated: Một nhóm câu thủ bóng chuyền đang thi đấu trên sân trước đông đảo khán giả.

- Flickr900 contained 900 images of sports played with balls from the 30.000 images version of the Flickr dataset (Flickr30k)
- Chosen by extracting the image's object detection label in the Flickr3ok annotation file
- Search for the keywords related to sports played with balls such as "soccer", "football", "volleyball"
- Following the rules of the published dataset created on Microsoft COCO and Flickr, we added some rules to be more suitable for the Vietnamese language

Image Caption Generation Rules

- Each image caption must contain at least eight word
- Describe all the essential parts of the scene, visible activities, and objects
- Ignore all specific details like names of places, streets, manufacturers
- 4 Each caption must be a single statement
- While annotating, personal opinion and emotion must be eliminated
- 6 Remove all unclear items and describe visible objects.

Annotation Tool



Data

Results

- COCO-VN consisting of all 118.344 images in the training dataset of MS-COCO with 591.720 captions
- Flick900 was made up of
 - o 900 images
 - o 4500 Vietnamese captions

	Flickr900	UIT-ViIC + Flickr900		
tennis	8	1666		
baseball	121	1510		
football	318	876		
volleyball	104	223		
American football	6	28		





III.Model

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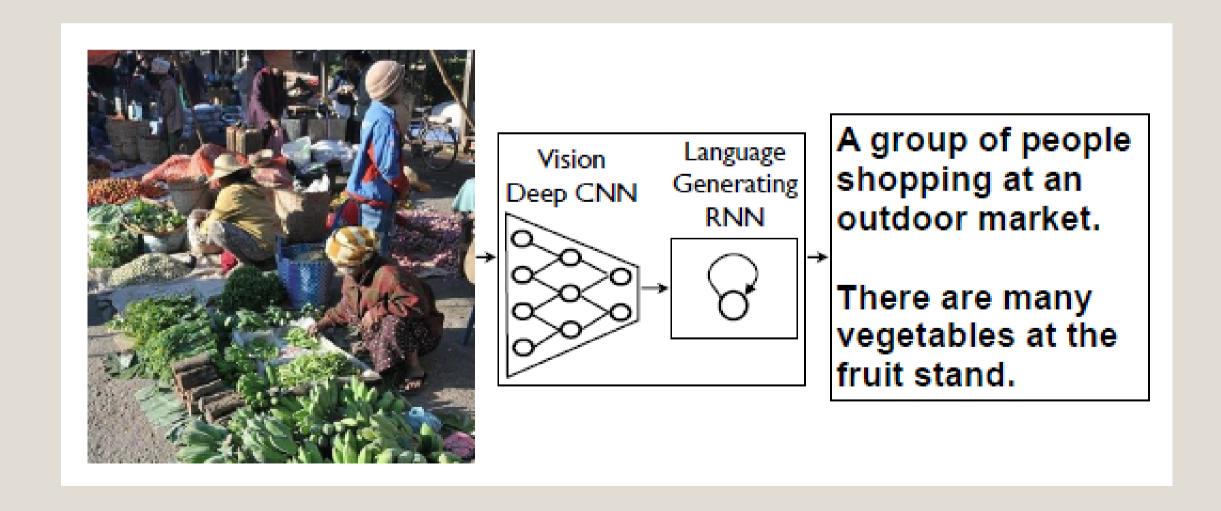
Related Work

Vinyals et al

Xu et al

Uses a convolutional neural network as a encoder to extract features from images followed by a language generating RNN for caption generation

Uses the output of convolutional layers of the convolutional neural network to generate image caption base on an attention mechanism



Overview

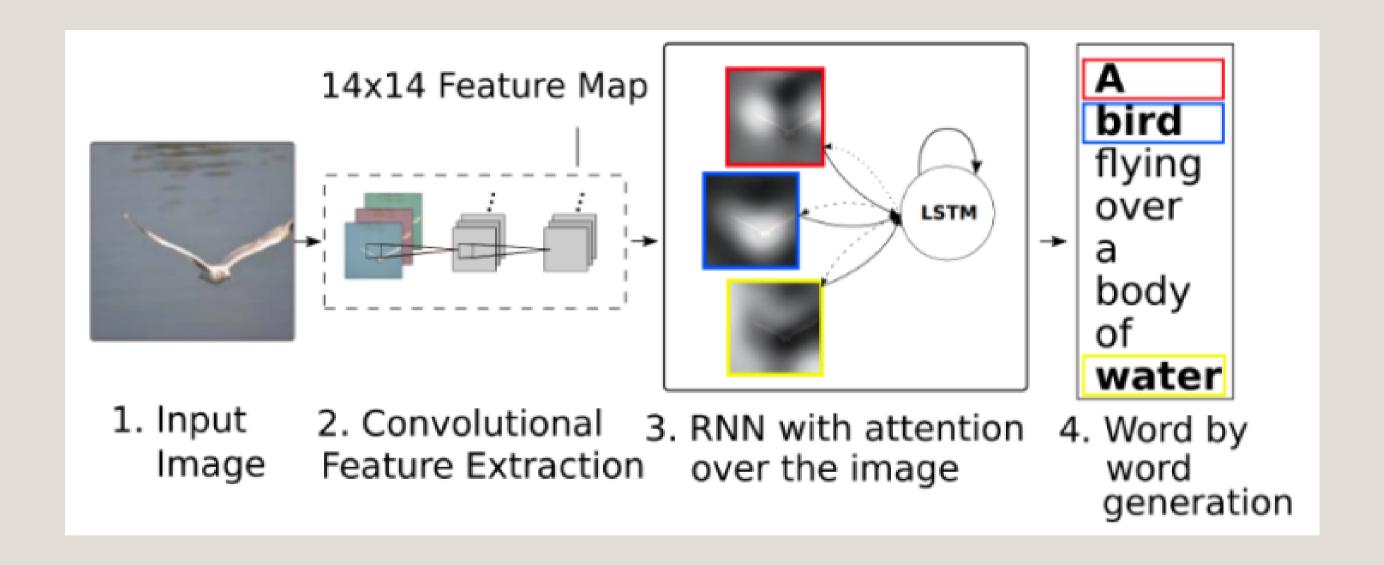
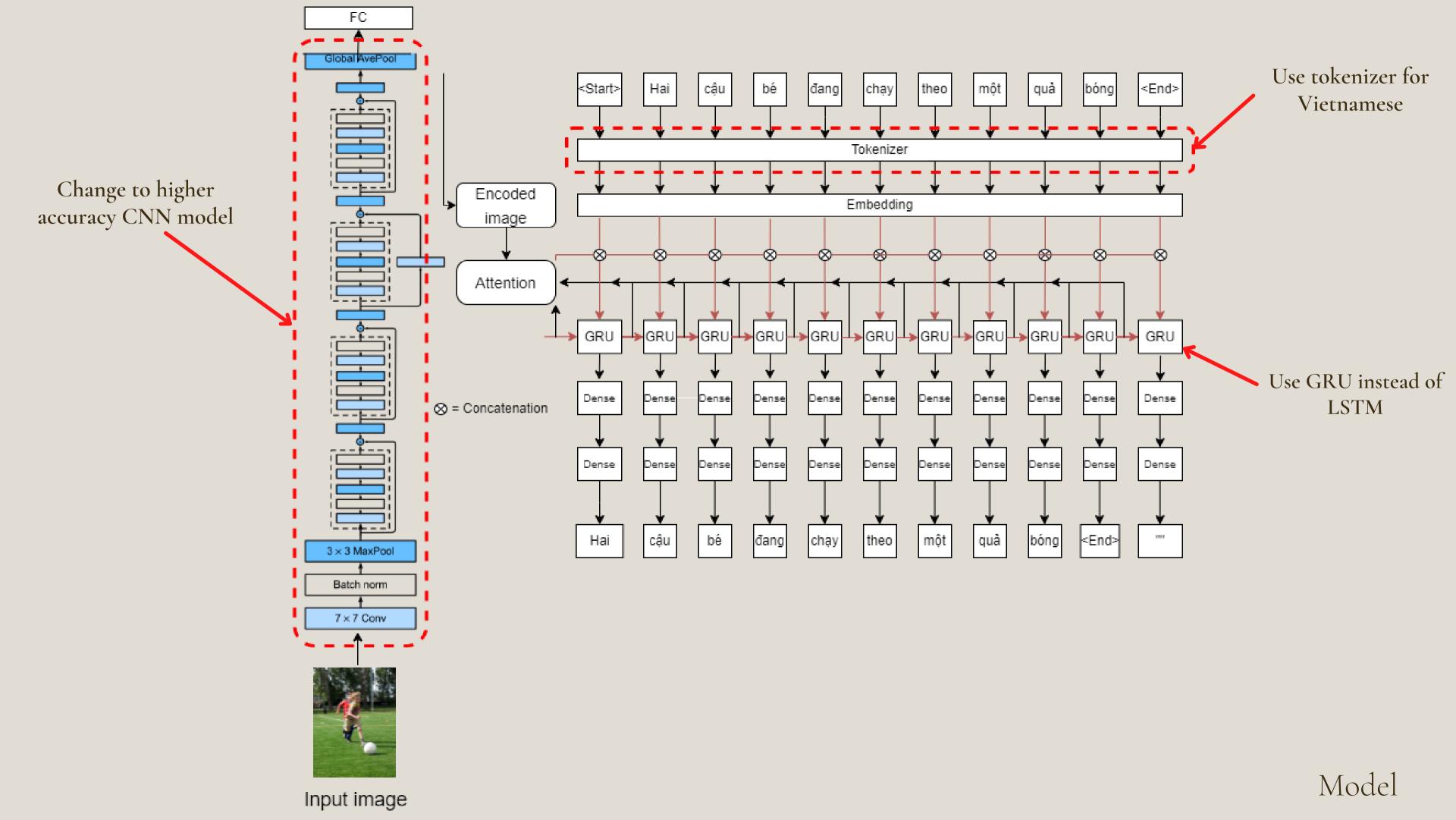
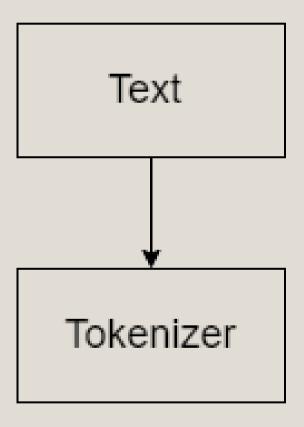


Image captioning model contains an encoder for image and a decoder to generate caption



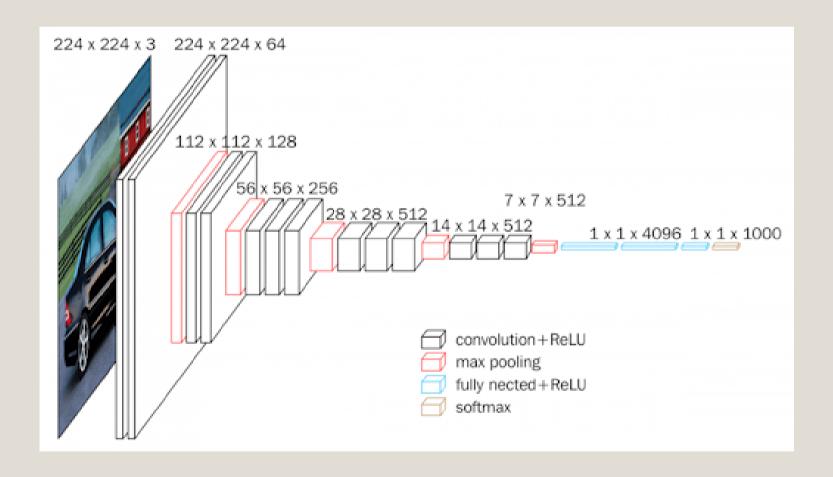


Tokenizer

- Tokenizer breaks down a phrase, sentence, paragraph, or even an entire text document into small fragments, such as words or terms
- Each of these small fragments is called a token

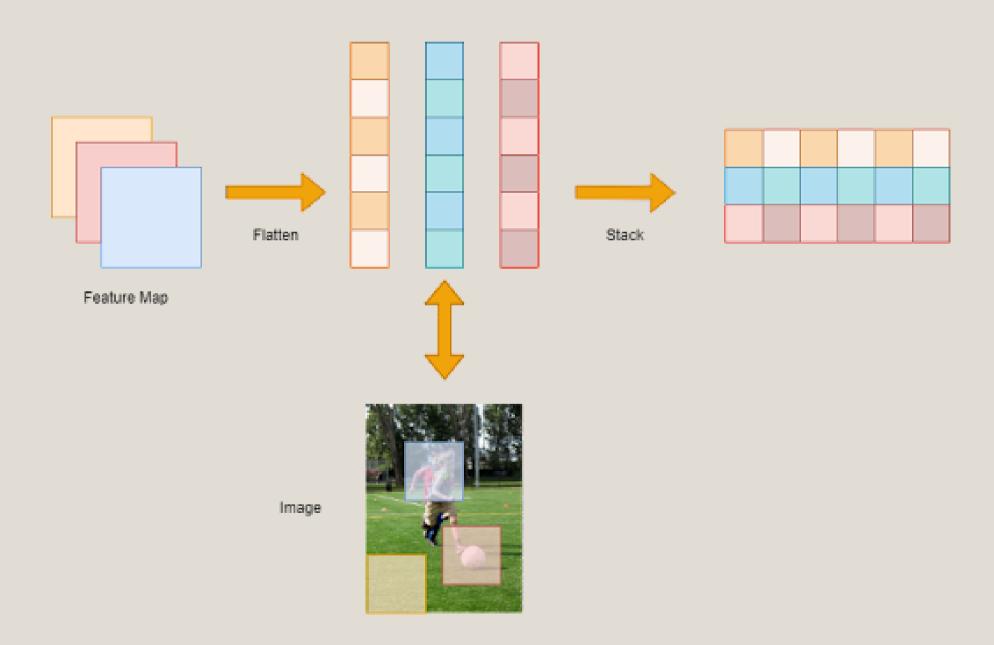
Tokenizer	Compile time	Output tokenized sentence
PyVI	0.1s	Một trận thi_đấu bóng_đá đang diễn ra trên sân
Coccoc- Tokenizer	1.2s	Một trận thi_đấu bóng_đá đang diễn ra trên sân
Nltk	0.1s	Một trận thi đấu bóng đá đang diễn ra trên sân

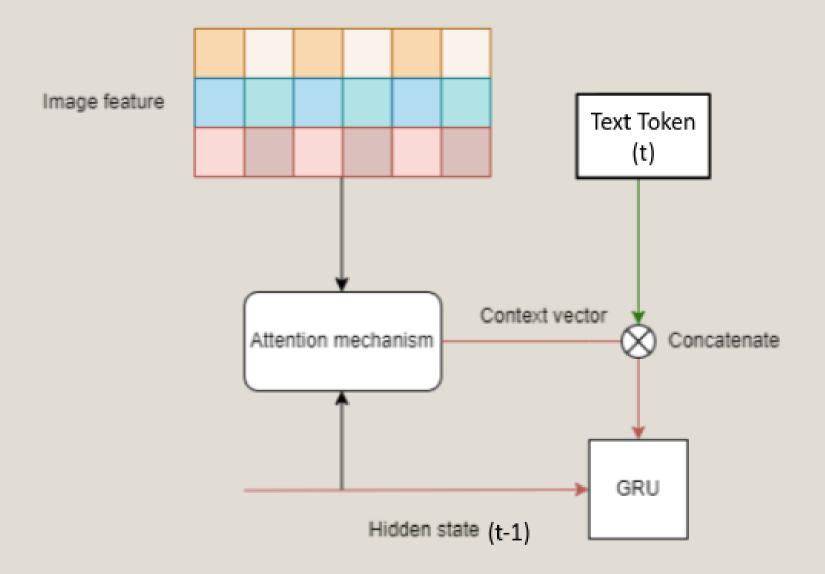
• PyVI and Coccoc-Tokenizer, both specialized for tokenization at the word level in the Vietnamese language



Encoder

Encoder take raw image and put into a CNN to extract valuable feature from the image



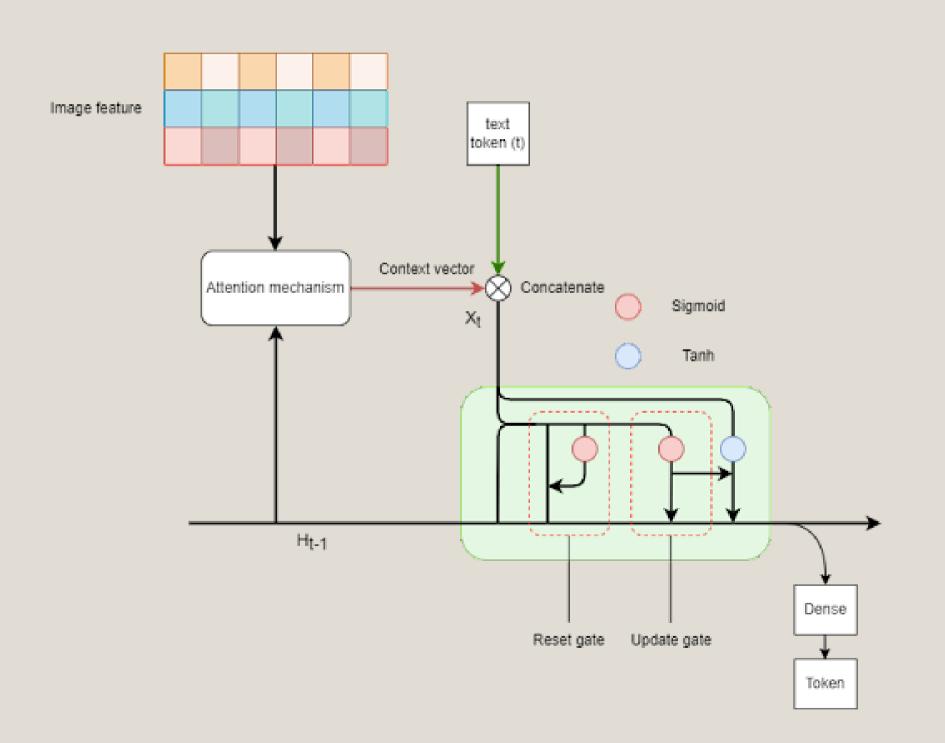


Attention mechanism

Approach by Bahdanau at el for the attention mechanism

Image features extracted by convolutional neural networks and previous hidden state are passed through the attention mechanism

The context vector is concatenated with the decoder's current input then pass through GRU



Decoder

Uses GRU to generate text for image captions

GRU contain:

Reset gate: Decides what will be removed from the previous hidden time steps

Update gate: The update gate determine which information will be pass through the next state

GRU calculate the hidden state for next step and the input for Dense layer to generate text tokens

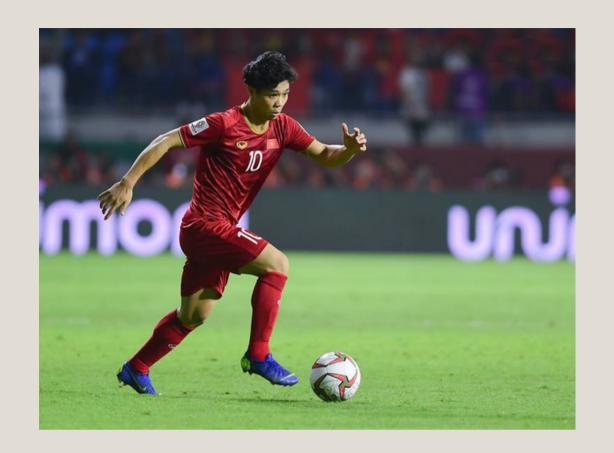
Model Evaluation

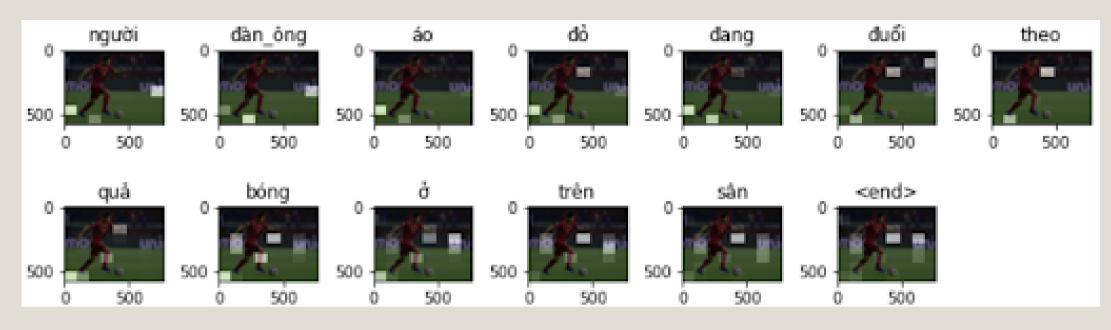
Evaluation method

- Metrics:
 - o BLEU
 - ROUGE
 - o CIDEr
- Experiment results

Evaluate on 924 image in validation set of UIT-ViIC

Encoder	Attention	Dataset	BLEU-1	BLEU-2	BLEU-3	BLEU-4	Rouge-L	Cider
InceptionV3	Yes	UIT-ViIC	0,824	0,702	0,596	0,522	0,657	0,622
InceptionV3	Yes	UIT-ViIC + Flickr900	0,776	0,663	0,566	0,498	0,668	0,641
Resnet152-V2	Yes	UIT-ViIC	0,782	0,632	0,508	0,414	0,651	0,584
Resnet152-V2	Yes	UIT-ViIC + Flickr900	0,781	0,659	0,553	0,484	0,677	0,638
Efficientnet B7	Yes	UIT-ViIC	0,829	0,719	0,619	0,550	0,679	0,770
Efficientnet B7	Yes	UIT-ViIC + Flickr900	0,834	0,727	0,634	0,569	0,681	0,852





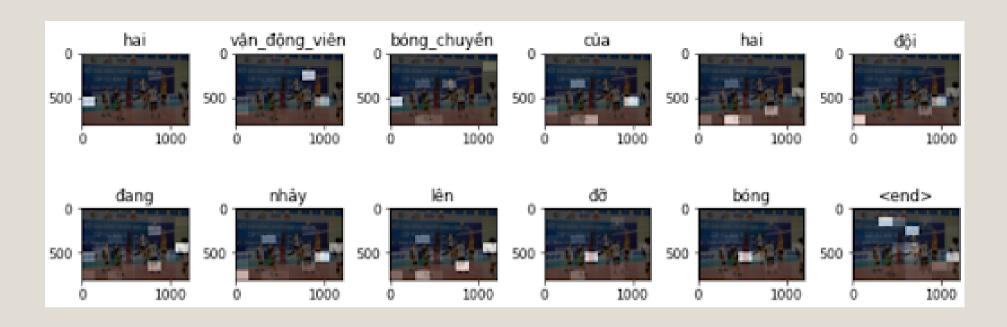
InceptionV3(UIT_ViIC): một cầu thủ bóng đá đang chuẩn bị sút bóng

InceptionV₃(UIT-ViIC + Flickr₉00): một cầu thủ bóng đá đang chuẩn bị sút bóng

EfficientnetB7(UIT_ViIC): một trận thi đấu bóng đá ở trên sân

EfficientnetB7(UIT-ViIC + Flickr900): người đàn ông áo đỏ đang đuổi theo quả bóng ở trên sân





InceptionV3(UIT_ViIC): cầu thủ bóng rổ đang nhảy lên đánh bóng

InceptionV3(UIT-ViIC + Flickr900): một vận động viên bóng chuyền đang thi đấu trên sân

EfficientnetB7(UIT_ViIC): các cầu thủ tennis đang thi đấu ở trên sân

EfficientnetB7(UIT-ViIC + Flickr900): hai vận động viên bóng chuyền của hai đội đang nhảy lên đỡ bóng

IV. Conclusion & Future Works

Conclusions



Data

- Publish COCO-VN consisting of all 118.344 images in the training dataset of MS-COCO with 591.720 captions translated with Google Translate with our modification rule for smoother sentences
- Flickr900 including 900 images of sportball in Flickr-30K come along with 4500 manually-written
 Vietnamese captions to enrich UIT-ViIC dataset



Mode

 Tweak the most famous encoderdecoder with attention to image captioning model with a more accurate image feature extraction model for encoder and use the GRU for the decoder

Future Works



Working on a encoder-decoder with attention model that uses a Transformer encoder for selfattention on visual features and a Transformer decoder for masked self-attention on caption tokens



Replace greedy search with a beam search for better caption generation performance and quality



Reduce the size of the model such as smaller image feature extraction model or reduce decoder layer to help the model to be runnable on embedded devices with nvidia jetson nano or raspberry PI



Train our model with the COCO-VN on a more powerful computer to evaluate this large dataset that helps the model to understand visuals in many real world applications

