



# Welcome to BERT Text Classification for Everyone

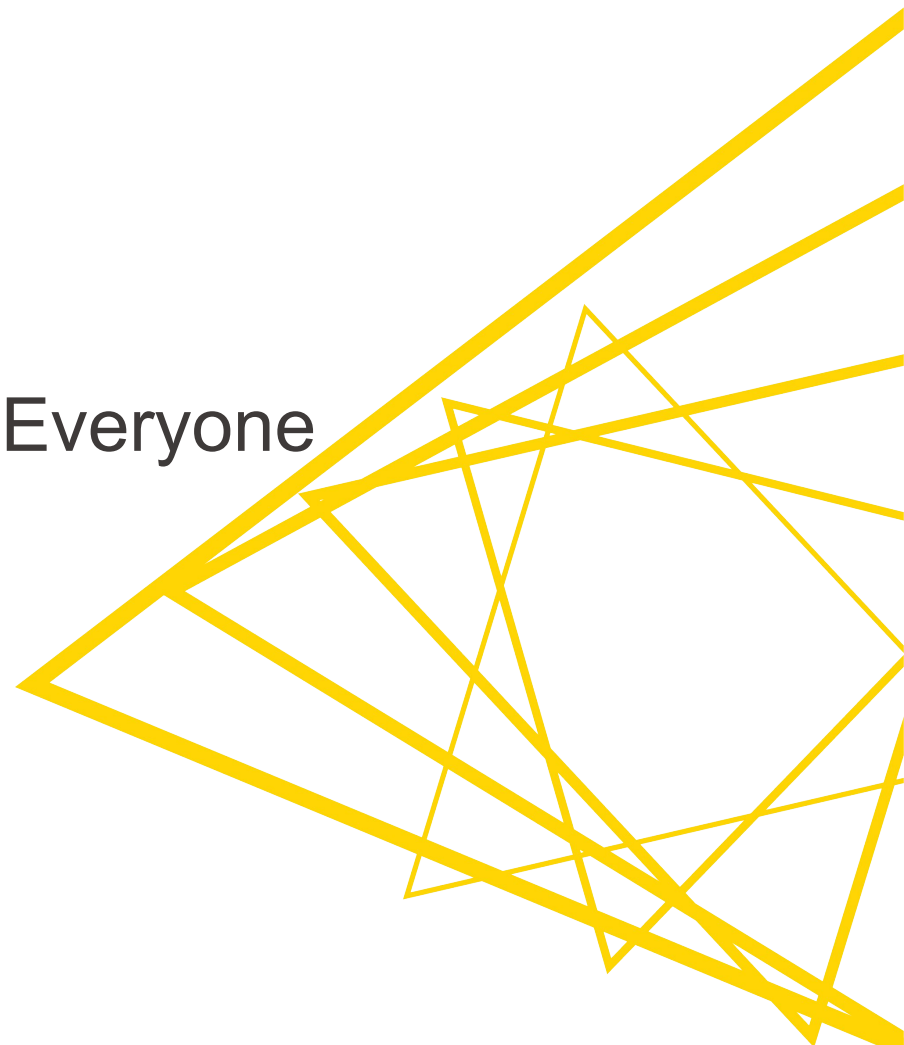
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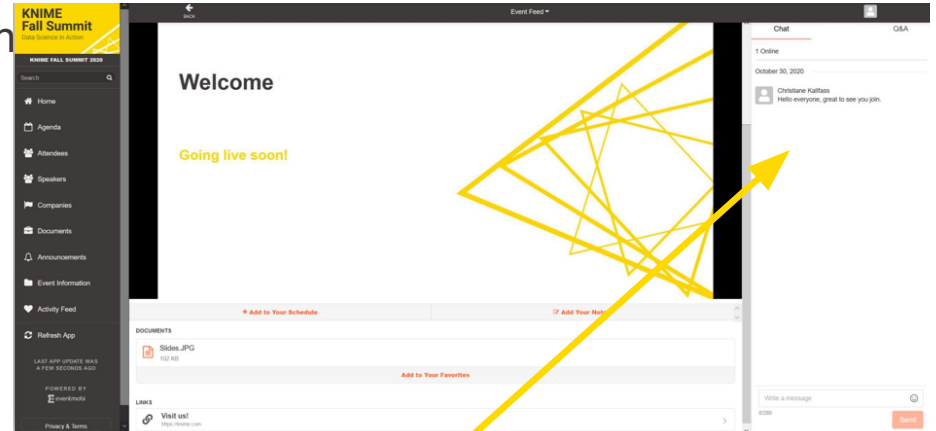
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- Post in the chat where you are dialing in from and discuss with other attendees
- Questions? Post them in the Q&A

Questions will be answered after the presentation.

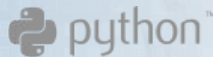


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- ▲ **KNIME Server Cloud implementation**
- ▲ **Node development**



# Agenda

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- Short introduction to BERT
- BERT nodes for Knime review
- Dataset gathering
- Training parameters settings
- Live demo
- Future developments

# Understanding BERT

SQuAD1.1 Leaderboard

Rank	Model	EM	F1
	Human Performance Stanford University (Rajpurkar et al. '16)	82.304	91.221
1 Oct 05, 2018	BERT (ensemble) Google AI Language <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.04805">https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.04805</a>	87.433	93.160
2 Sep 09, 2018	nlnet (ensemble) Microsoft Research Asia	85.356	91.202
3 Jul 11, 2018	QANet (ensemble) Google Brain & CMU	84.454	90.490

Rank	Model	Score	CoLA	SST-2	MRPC	STS-B	QQP	MNLI-m	QNLI	RTE
1	BERT: 24-layers, 1024-hidden, 16-heads	80.4	60.5	94.9	85.4/89.3	87.6/86.5	89.3/72.1	86.7	91.1	70.1
2	Singletask Pretrain Transformer	72.8	45.4	91.3	75.7/82.3	82.0/80.0	88.5/70.3	82.1	88.1	56.0
3	BiLSTM+ELMo+Attn	70.5	36.0	90.4	77.9/84.9	75.1/73.3	84.7/64.8	76.4	79.9	56.8

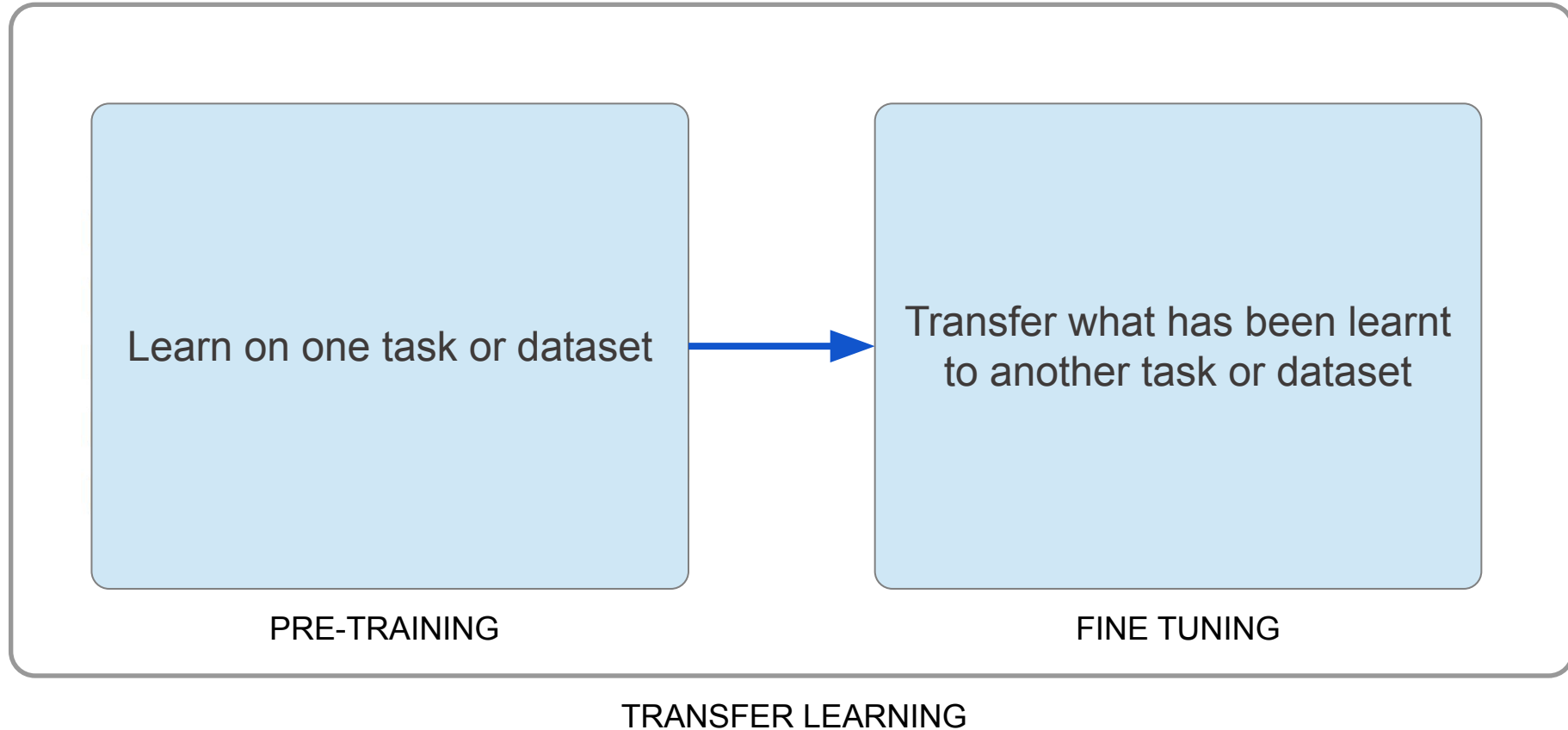
Model	Squad 2.0 test set
ELECTRA-Large	88.7
ALBERT-xxlarge	88.1
XLNet-Large	87.9
RoBERTa-Large	86.8
BERT-Large	80.0

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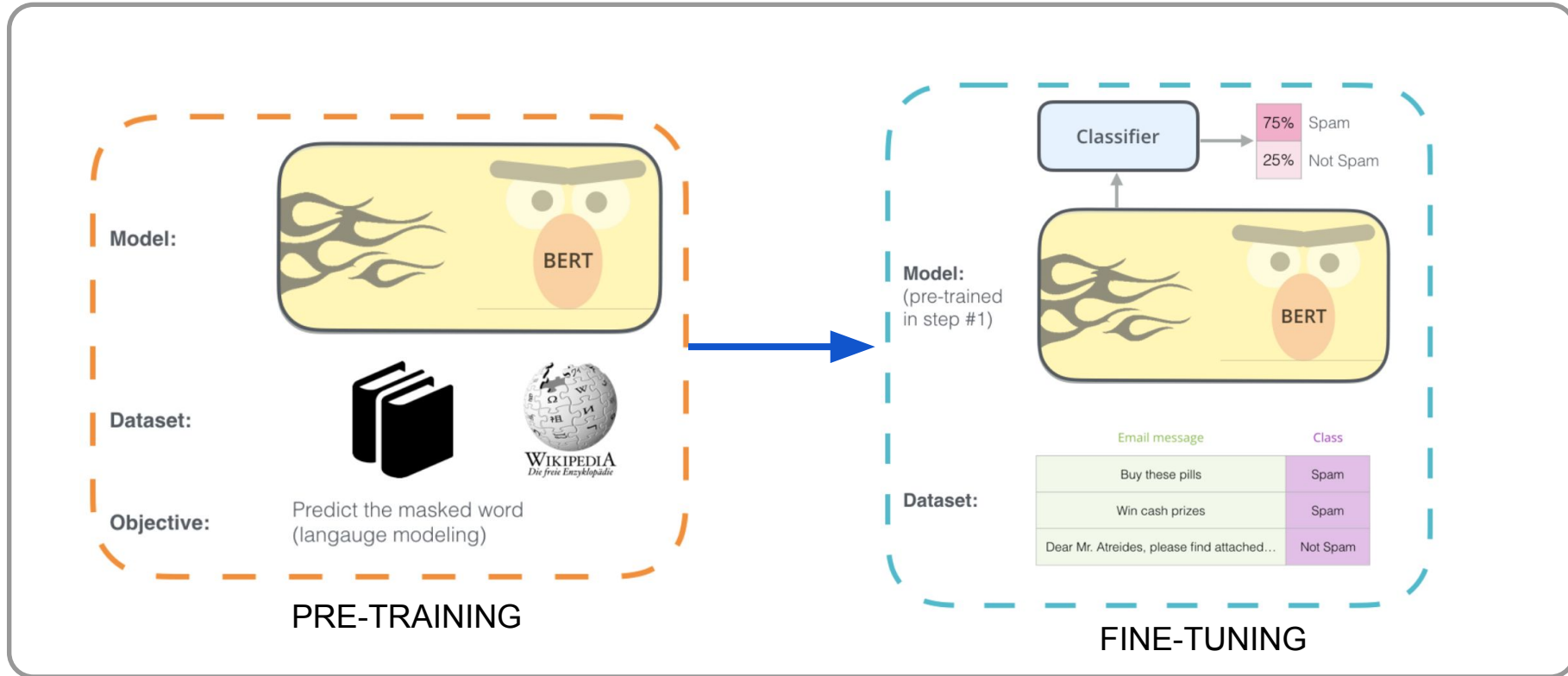
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TRANSFER LEARNING

Source: [Jay Alammr's Blog](#)

# Understanding BERT

- Pre-training task 1: Masked Language Model (MLM)

**Input:** The man went to the [MASK]<sub>1</sub> . He bought a [MASK]<sub>2</sub> of milk .  
**Labels:** [MASK]<sub>1</sub> = store; [MASK]<sub>2</sub> = gallon

- Pre-training task 2: Next Sentence Prediction (NSP)

**Sentence A** = The man went to the store.  
**Sentence B** = He bought a gallon of milk.  
**Label** = IsNextSentence

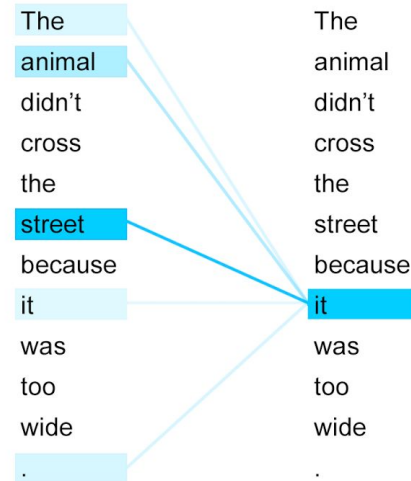
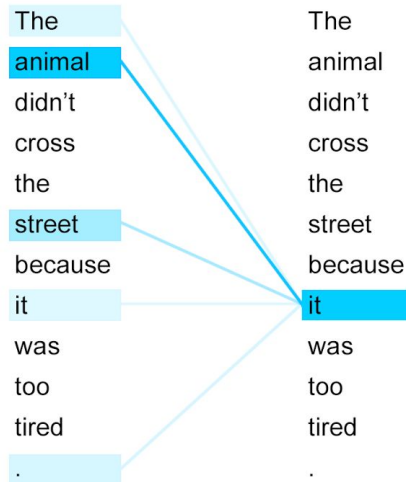
**Sentence A** = The man went to the store.  
**Sentence B** = Penguins are flightless.  
**Label** = NotNextSentence

Source: [Google AI Blog](#)



# Understanding BERT

- BERT — Bidirectional Encoder Representations from Transformers;
- New neural network nodes called attention;
- Trained on 100+ languages corpuses.



Source: [googleblog](https://googleblog.com)

# BERT extension for Knime

 Included nodes

 Related workflows

## BERT Classification Learner

The node uses BERT model and adds a predefined neural network on top. There are 3 layers added: GlobalAveragePooling1D ...

Community Nodes > BERT by Redfield



Learner

## BERT Model Selector

The node allows downloading the model available on TensorFlow Hub. Only models provided by Google are available link . ...

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## BERT Predictor

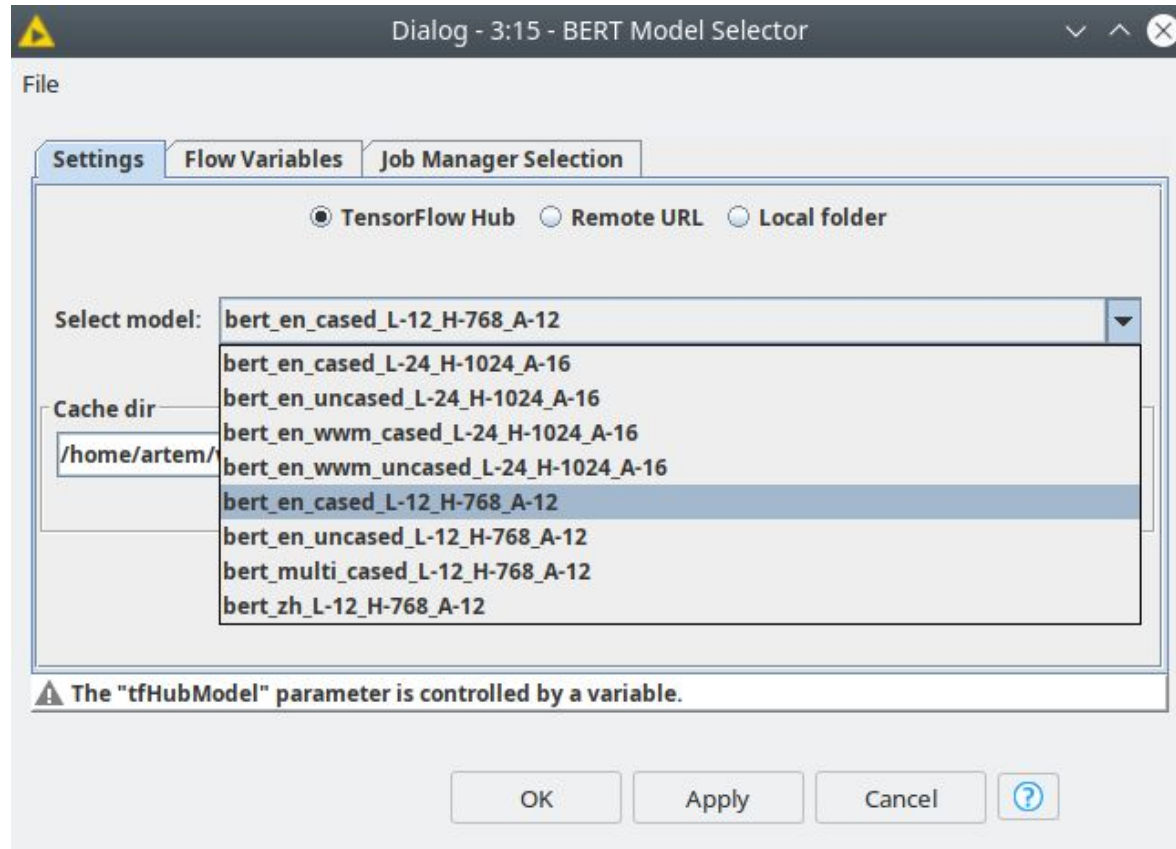
The node makes predictions for the input data based on the trained BERT model by BERT Classification Learner.

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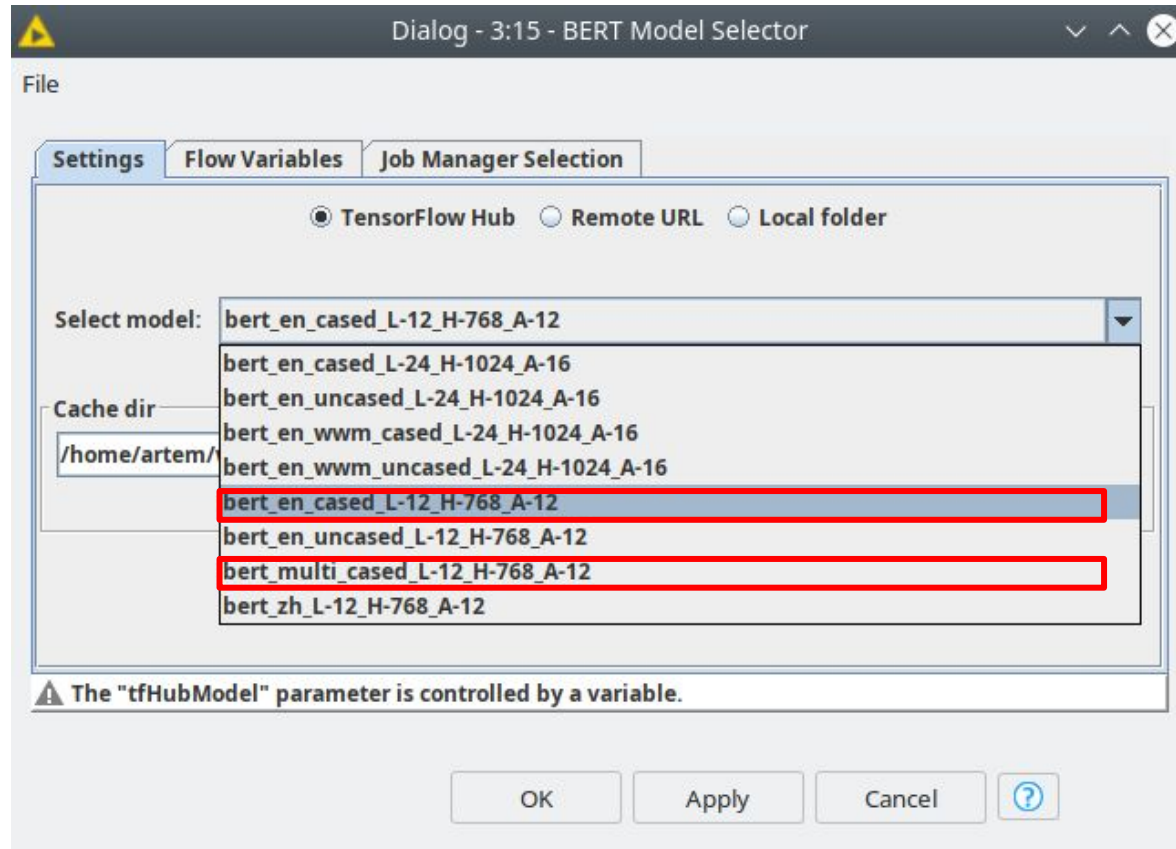
Predictor

# TensorFlow hub BERT Models



L — number of transformer blocks; H — hidden layers size; A — number of attention heads.

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# Dataset Gathering and Preparation

- Dataset: <https://www.kaggle.com/danofer/dbpedia-classes>;
- Enriched with Portuguese texts, ~33K excerpts per language;
- 3 levels of hierarchical labels — 9, 71 and 219 classes per level;

Row ID	wiki_name	text	l1	l2	l3
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Row4868...	Beg_for_Mercy	Beg for Mercy is the debut album ...	Work	MusicalWork	Album
Row4869...	Make_It_Last_Forever...	Make It Last Forever is the debut ...	Work	MusicalWork	Album
Row4870...	Midget_Tossing	Midget Tossing is the debut albu...	Work	MusicalWork	Album
Row4871...	To_the_Extreme	To the Extreme is the major label ...	Work	MusicalWork	Album
Row4872...	The_Last_Supper:_Liv...	The Last Supper: Live at Hammers...	Work	MusicalWork	Album

# Training parameters settings

- The threshold for class occurrence is 100;
- Mean text length = 130, median = 96, min = 6, max = 710;
- epochs = 3, batch size = 28, max\_seq\_length = 128, with BERT fine-tuning;
- Adam optimizer, learning rate = 1E-5.

# Training parameters settings

Dialog - 3:295 - BERT Classification Learner (l1)

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Settings | Advanced | Flow Variables | Job Manager Selection | Memory Policy

Sentence column: S text

Class column: S l1

Max sequence length: 128

⚠ "maxSeqLength", "classColumn", "epochs" and "batchSize" are controlled by variables.

OK Apply Cancel ?

Dialog - 3:295 - BERT Classification Learner (l1)

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Settings | Advanced | Flow Variables | Job Manager Selection | Memory Policy

Training settings

Number of epochs: 4

Batch size: 24

Fine tune BERT

Optimizer: Adam

Learning rate: 1.0E-5

Beta 1: 0.9

Beta 2: 0.999

Epsilon: 1.0E-7

Apply AMSGrad variant of this algorithm

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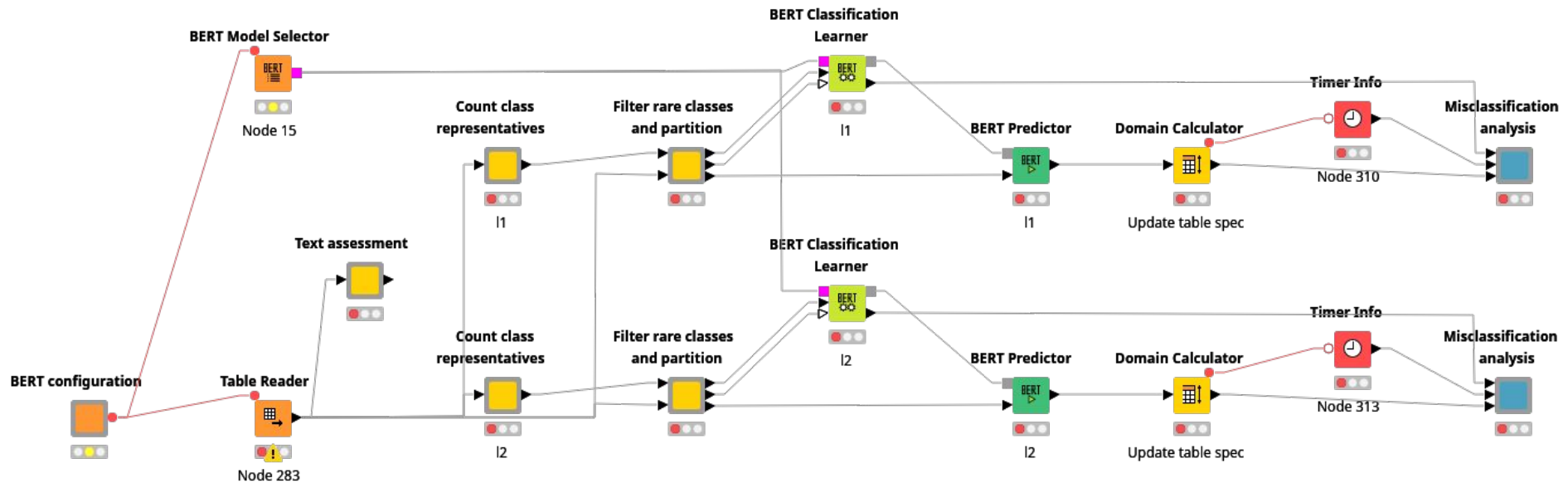
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# Today's workflow

DBpedia texts classification with BERT by Redfield:

<https://kni.me/w/F36Skypp8tyDSHEH>

The workflow uses enhanced version that includes Portuguese texts. English data is taken from here: <https://www.kaggle.com/danofer/dbpedia-classes>  
The workflow show how to use BERT extension for Knime by Redfield to train models for text classification.





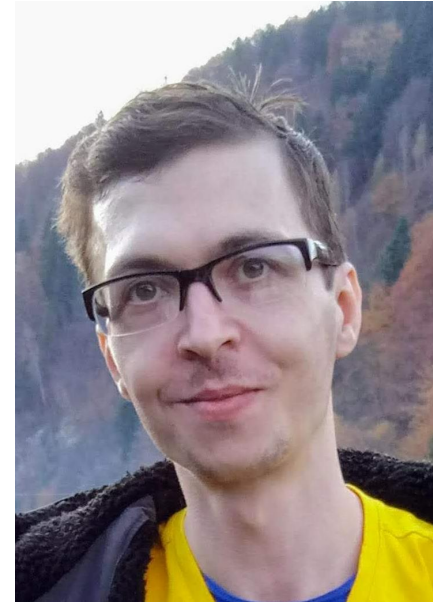
# Future Development

- Text classification node able to handle Google TensorFlow Hub models;
- Under development: support of HuggingFace BERT models;
- Other improvements: multi-label classification;
- Other use cases: question answering, similarity, ABSA, NER,...
- Blogpost is coming soon!

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**Thank you for joining!**

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