

# PERSONALIZED NLP



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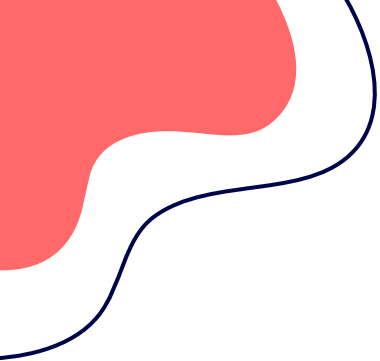
# AGENDA

1. Example and motivation
2. Subjective NLP tasks
3. Measuring diversity
4. Perspectives
5. Research on offensive content
6. Research on emotional dataset
7. Research on multiple tasks
8. Conclusions





# 1 MOTIVATION



***"Your behaviour is inappropriate and your reaction is exaggerated. I am not sure if you should have administrator rights."***

Wikipedia Detox Aggression

**Do you think, it is**  
**aggressive or not?**

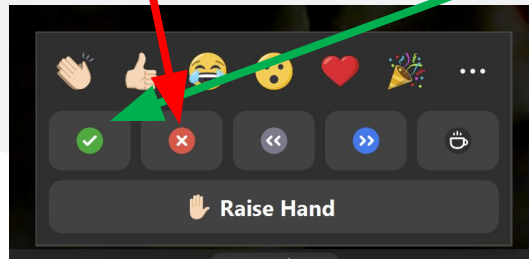


♥

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## COMMON GENERALIZED NLP

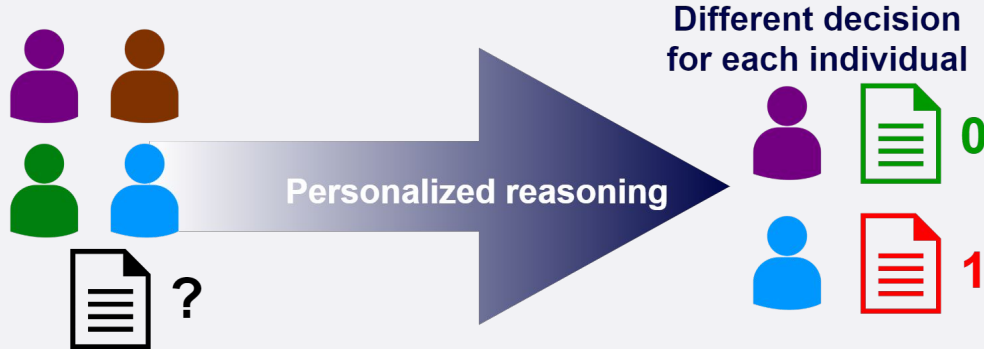


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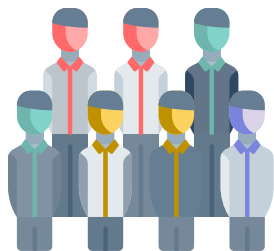
## COMMON GENERALIZED NLP



## OUR PERSONALIZED NLP



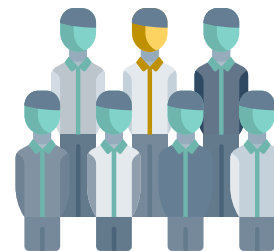
# MOTIVATION



## Representativeness

Hard to **acquire** data (annotations) from **all** social groups representing all diverse beliefs

*"The people like me are not respected by the system"*



## Fairness

Common generalized solutions are **biased** toward the mainstream

*"Since the system does not regard my individual beliefs, I do not trust in it"*





## 2 SUBJECTIVE NLP TASKS

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## 1. **Reader** perspective: **perception** prediction

- a. **Emotions** (many models, multiple dimensions)
- b. **Offensive** content detection, incl. aggression, toxic, hate speech, cyberbullying, hostile, insulting
- c. **Humor**, funny
- d. Sarcasm and irony detection
- e. Antagonistic, provocative, trolling speech detection
- f. Counterspeech detection
- g. Hope, supportive speech detection
- h. Obscene language detection
- i. Dismissive, patronising, condescending
- j. Unfair generalisation
- k. Slur usage
- l. Unpalatable questions
- m. Persuasiveness
- n. Inflammatory text
- o. Subjective perception of sentiment polarization

## 2. **Author** perspective

- a. Sentiment analysis
- b. Content generation (e.g. style-based), summarization, adjustment

## 3. **Mixed**

- a. Conversations

**The tasks often overlap**



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## MEASURING DIVERSITY

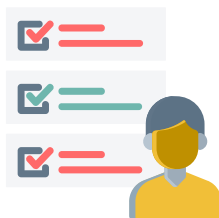
[Kan21, Mit21, Koc21b]

# MEASURING DIVERSITY



## Document-oriented

Document **Controversy**  
(entropy-based) [Kan21]



## Human-oriented

Human **Conformity**; general,  
weighted, class-based [Kan21]

**HB-measure** – Human Bias  
[Koc21b]; aggregated Z-score; for  
emotions: PEB – **Personal  
Emotional Bias** [Mit21]



## Collection-oriented

Krippendorff's alfa [Koc21a]

**WAVE kappa** – Wroclaw  
Annotators Variability Estimator;  
Fleiss' kappa aggregated over  
different no. of users [Koc21a]

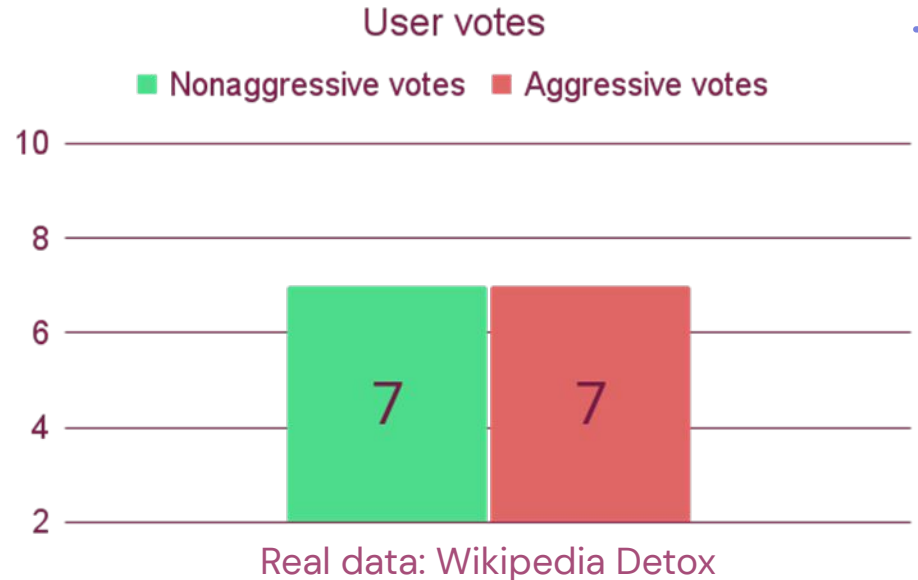
# CONTROVERSY MEASURE

***“Your behaviour is inappropriate and your reaction is exaggerated.  
I am not sure if you should have administrator rights.”***



**CONTROVERSY = 1.0**  
**(entropy-based)**

$$\text{Contr}(d) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n_d^0 = n_d \vee n_d^1 = n_d \\ - \sum_{c=0,1} \frac{n_d^c}{n_d} \log_2 \left( \frac{n_d^c}{n_d} \right) & ; \end{cases}$$



# CONTROVERSY MEASURE

*inappropriate*

**“Your behaviour is *terrible* and your reaction is exaggerated.  
I am not sure if you should have administrator rights.”**

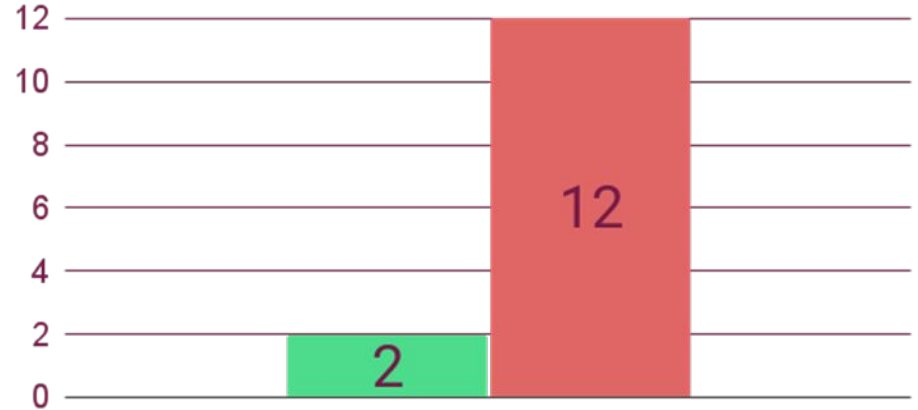


**CONTROVERSY = 0.59 ↓**  
**(entropy-based)**

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User votes

■ Nonaggressive votes ■ Aggressive votes



# CONFORMITY MEASURE

***“Your behaviour is inappropriate and your reaction is exaggerated.  
I am not sure if you should have administrator rights.”***

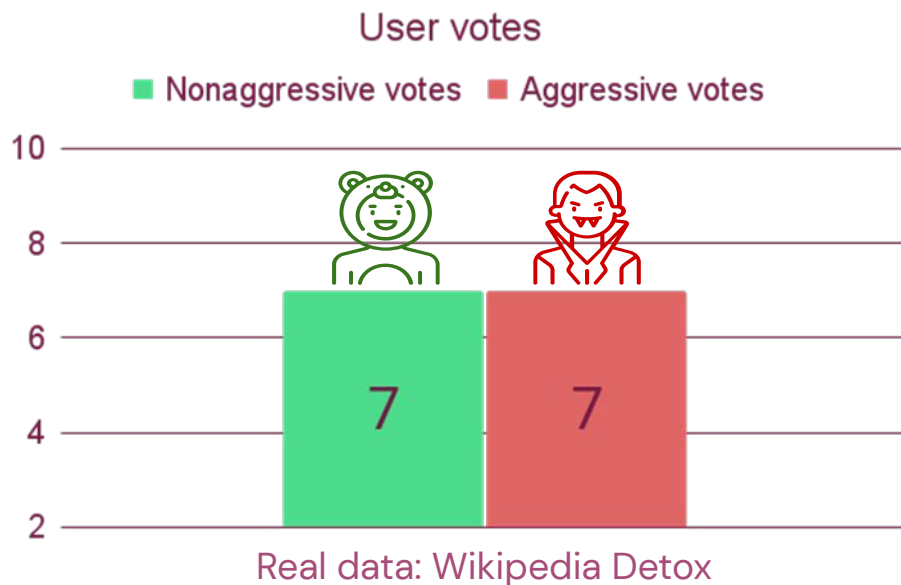


**CONFORMITY = 0.50**



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$$GConf(a, C) = \frac{\sum_{d \in A_a} \mathbb{1}\{l_d \in C \wedge l_d = l_{d,a}\}}{\sum_{d \in A_a} \mathbb{1}\{l_d \in C\}}$$



# CONFORMITY MEASURE

*“Your behaviour is **terrible** and your reaction is exaggerated.  
You **don't deserve** administrator rights.”*

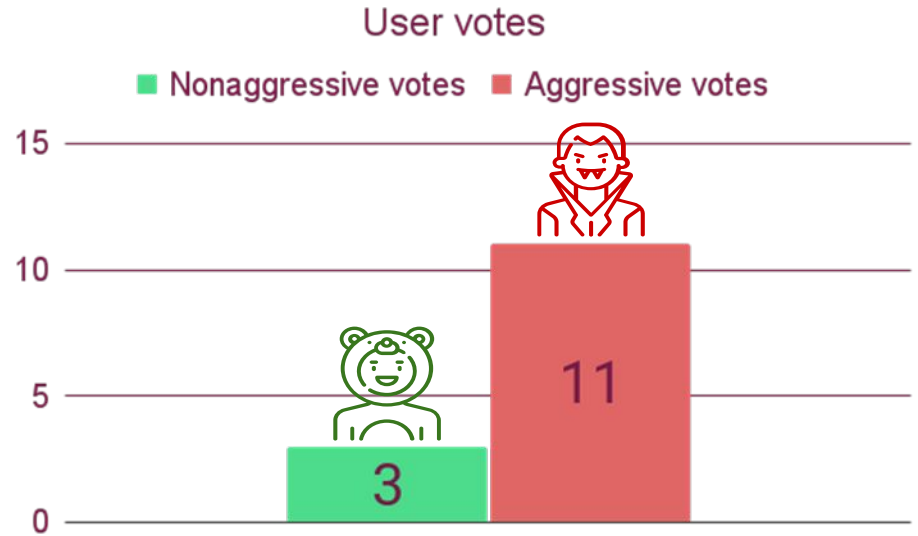


**CONFORMITY = 0.21 =  $\frac{3}{14}$**



**CONFORMITY = 0.79**

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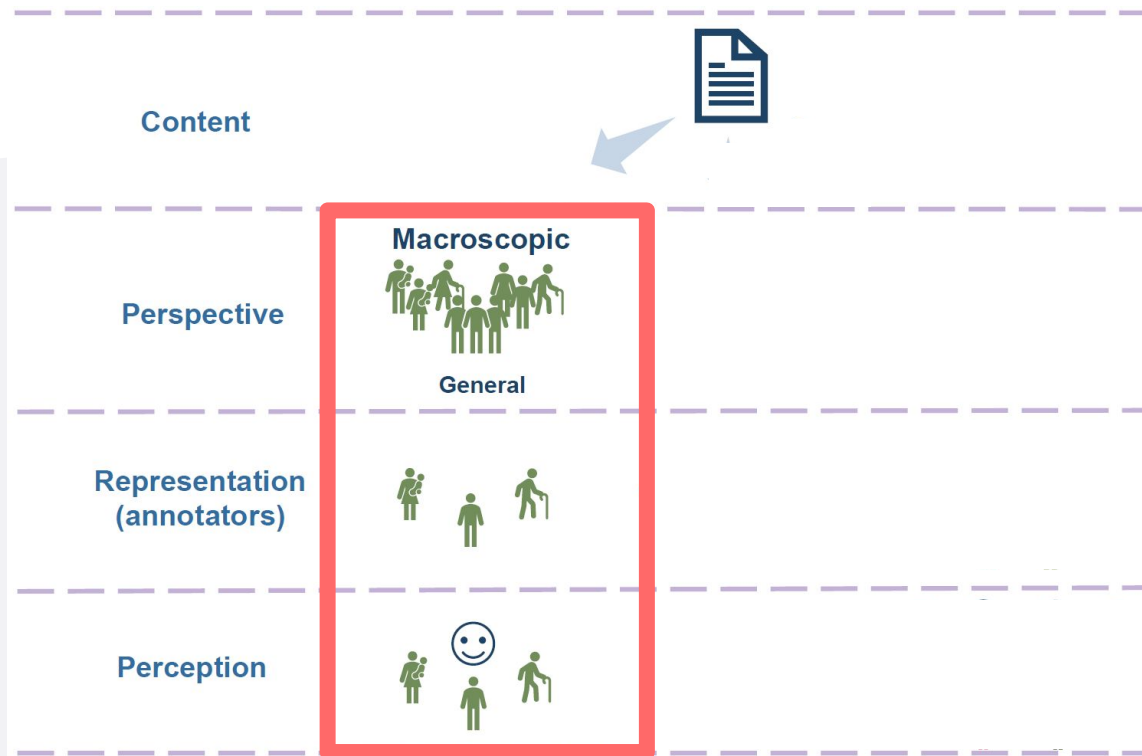
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## PERSPECTIVES

[Koc21a]



# PERSPECTIVES: MACROSCOPIC




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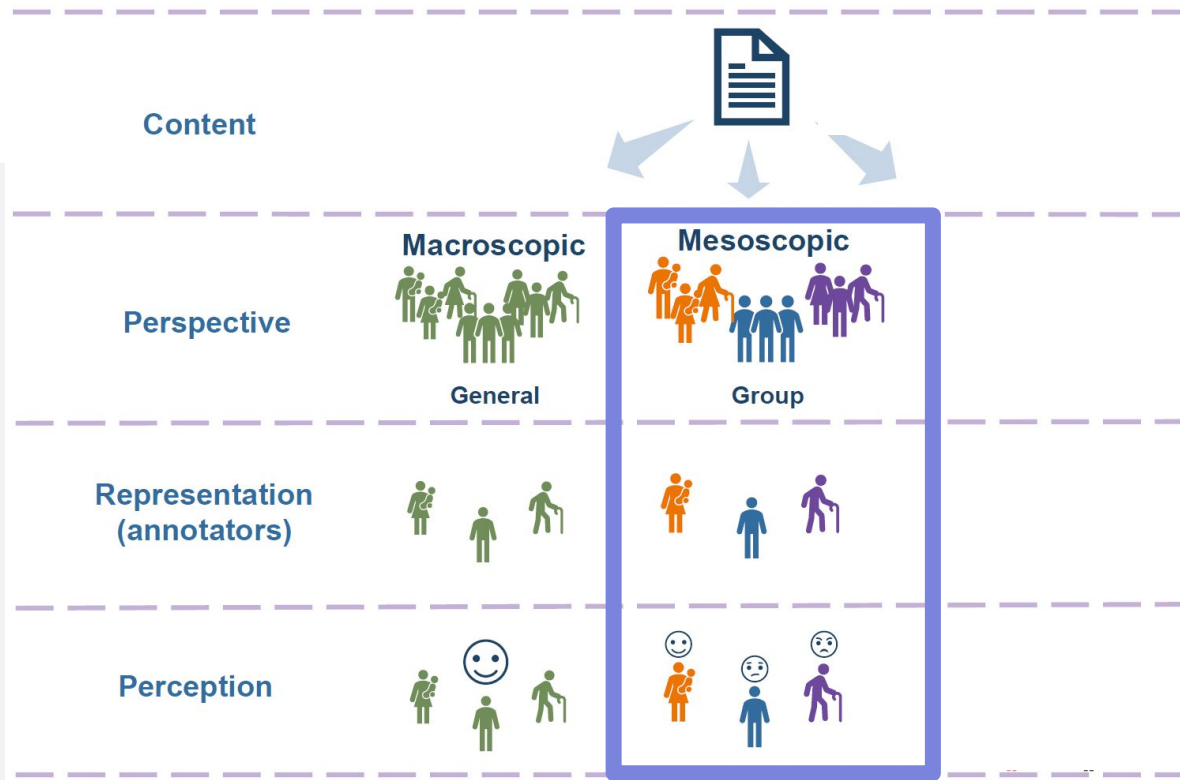
## (general)



Perspective profile	Statement	Information source	Annotation
<p>Society-based, global, general.</p> <p>Used in most research.</p> <p>Assumes the existence of <b>common perception</b> of the content</p>	<p><i>"People generally treat some content offensive/funny/sad/..."</i></p>	<p>(1) content (2) context of the content, e.g. source</p>	<p>Several <b>trained/expert</b>  <b>annotators</b> are able to express <b>common perception</b> (beliefs)</p>



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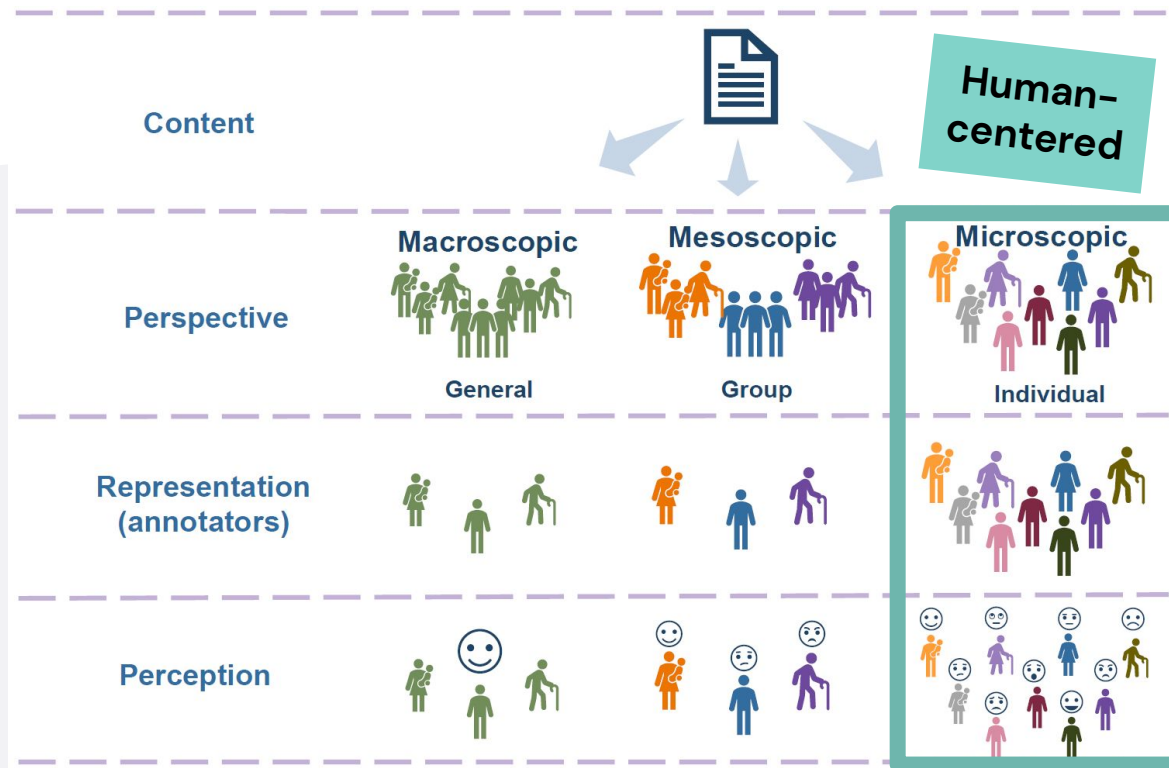
## (group-based)



Perspective profile	Statement	Information source	Annotation
Group-based, social or demographic groups.  Perception is <b>shared</b> in <b>social groups</b>	<i>"There are some groups of people who perceive the content in the same way as offensive/funny/sad/..."</i>	(1) content (2) context of the content (3) <b>group demographic profile</b> , e.g. age (4) <b>group context</b> , e.g. culture, shared personality traits, religion	A lot of annotations per document ● are required.  <b>Annotator profiles</b> need to be collected (surveys, behaviour)



# PERSPECTIVES: MICROSCOPIC



# PERSPECTIVES: MICROSCOPIC (personalized)

• Human-centered

Perspective profile	Statement	Information source	Annotation
Individual, fully personalized. Each <b>individual</b> may perceive content <b>differently</b> .	<i>"Perception of the content depends on a single human, i.e. on their individual and temporal context"</i>	(1) content (2) context of the content (3) individual <b>behaviour</b> (4) individual <b>demographics</b> (5) individual <b>social context</b> (relationships with the author and the social group) (6) temporal <b>affective state</b> (mood, emotions)	An <b>individual</b> annotator <b>beliefs</b> need to be identified using surveys and/or previous annotations

# PERSONALIZED NLP: What we need?



Data about  
human beliefs

Texts **earlier** annotated by a  
given individual



Agreed, generalized  
labels are useless

Usually obtained by  
majority voting







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## RESEARCH ON OFFENSIVE CONTENT

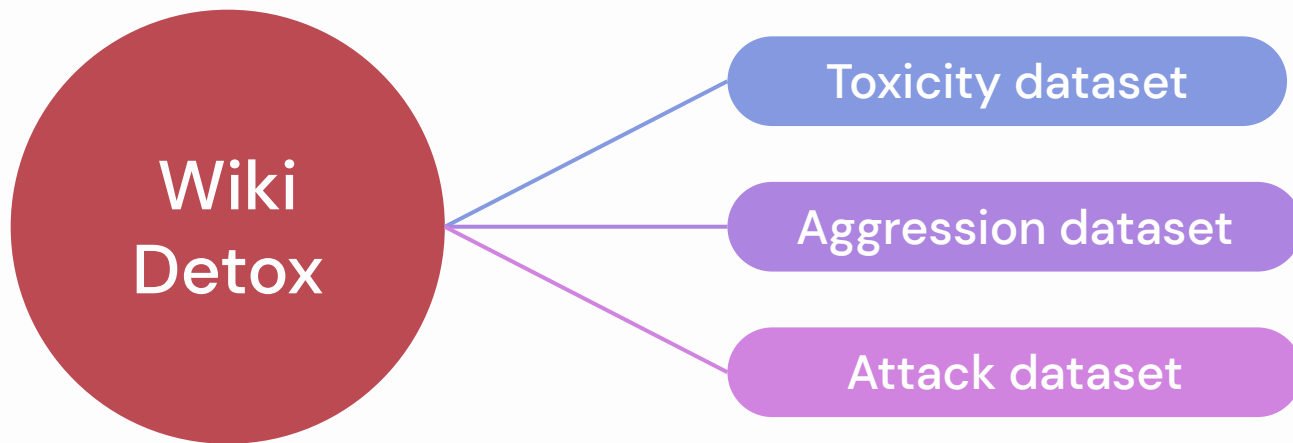
[Koc21a, Kan21, Koc21b]



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## **OFFENSIVE CONTENT: ANNOTATED DATA**

# WIKI DETOX DATASETS (English)



Publicly available

# WIKI: Toxicity



Classes

**2**

Texts

**159,686**

People

**4,301**

Annotations

**1,598,289**

Controversial Texts

**40.5 %**



# WIKI: Aggression & Attack



Classes

**2**

Texts

**115,864**

People

**4,053**

**2,190**

Annotations

**1,365,217**

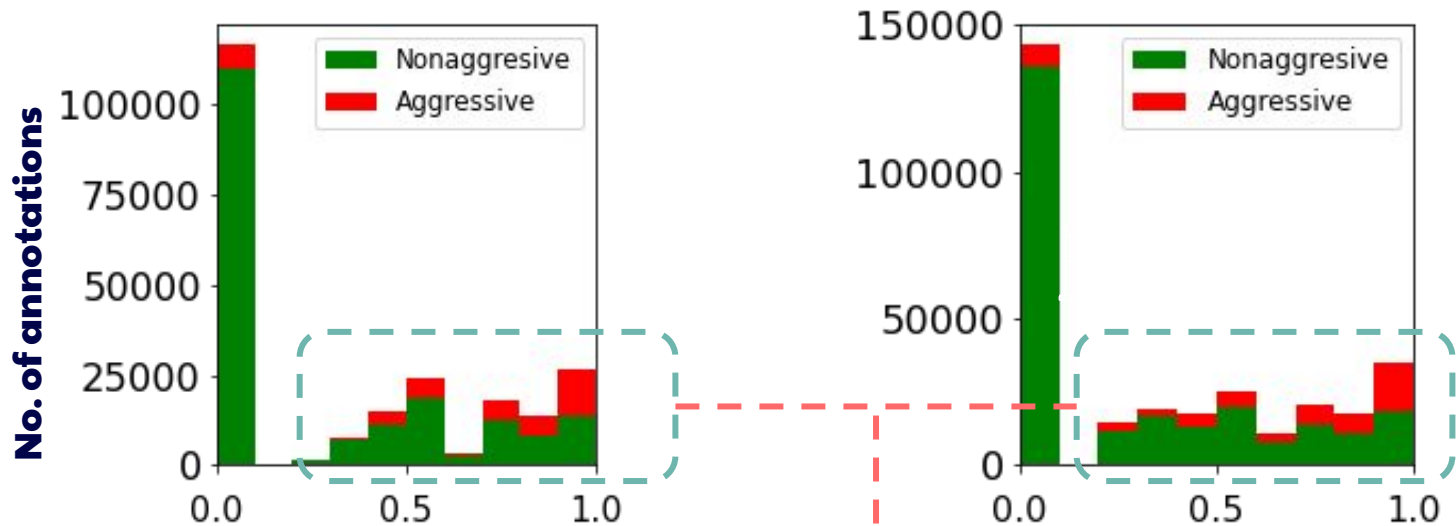
**855,514**

Controversial Texts

**51.3% & 48%**



# WIKI: Aggressive



**Disagreement in ~50%  
of annotations**



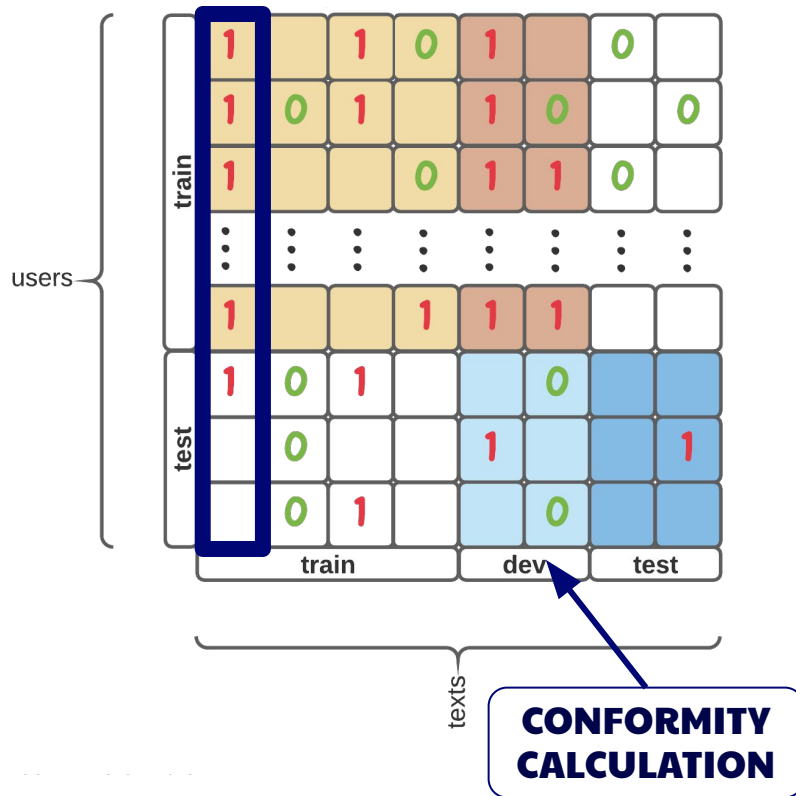
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	1			0	1	1	0
	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
test	1			1	1	1	
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	train		dev		test		

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## OFFENSIVE CONTENT: DATA SPLIT

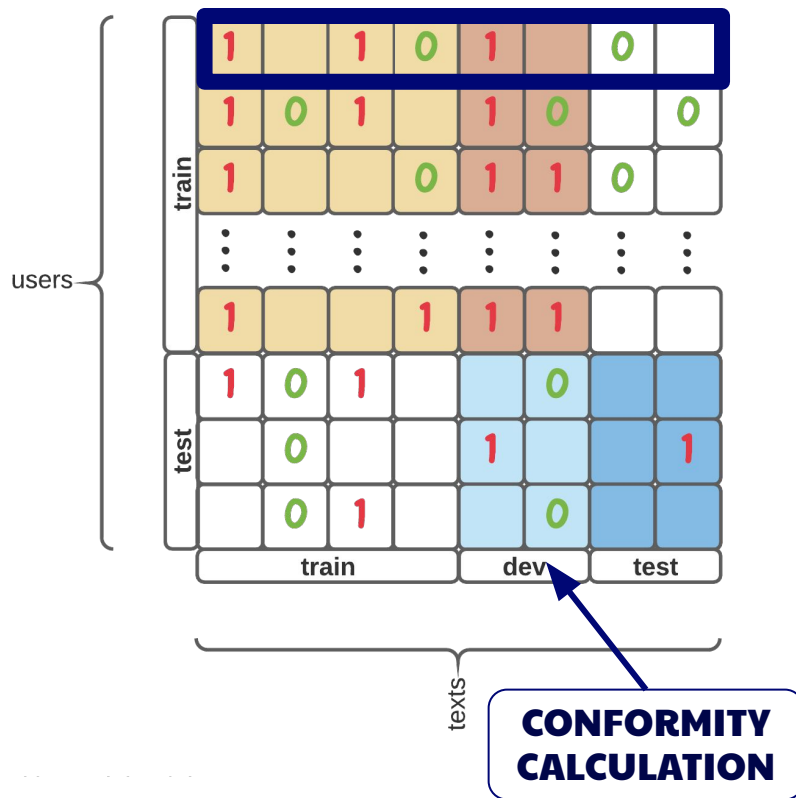
Train-dev-test

# DATASET SPLIT: Wiki

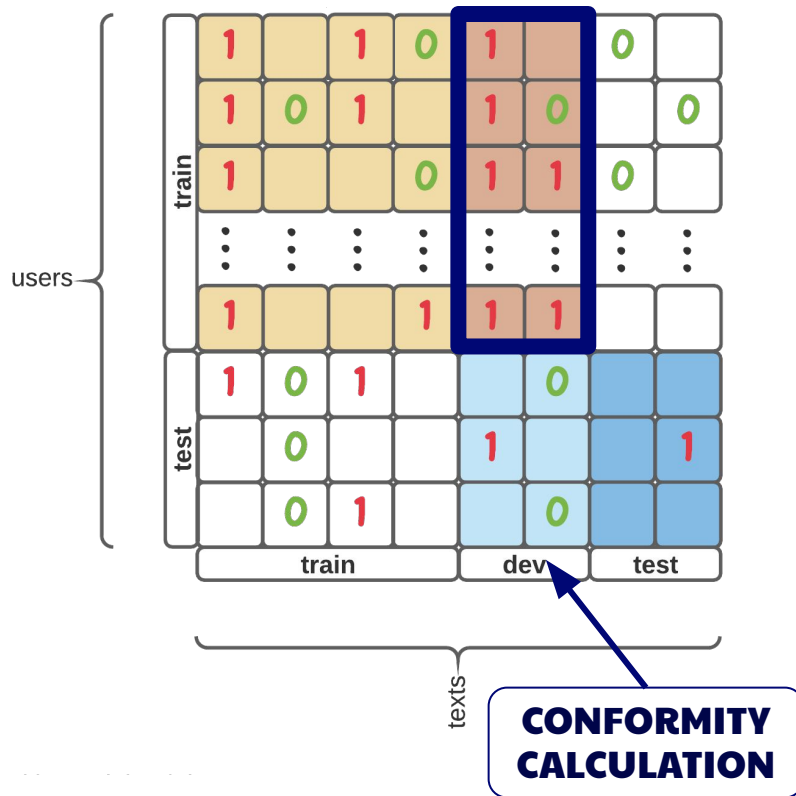




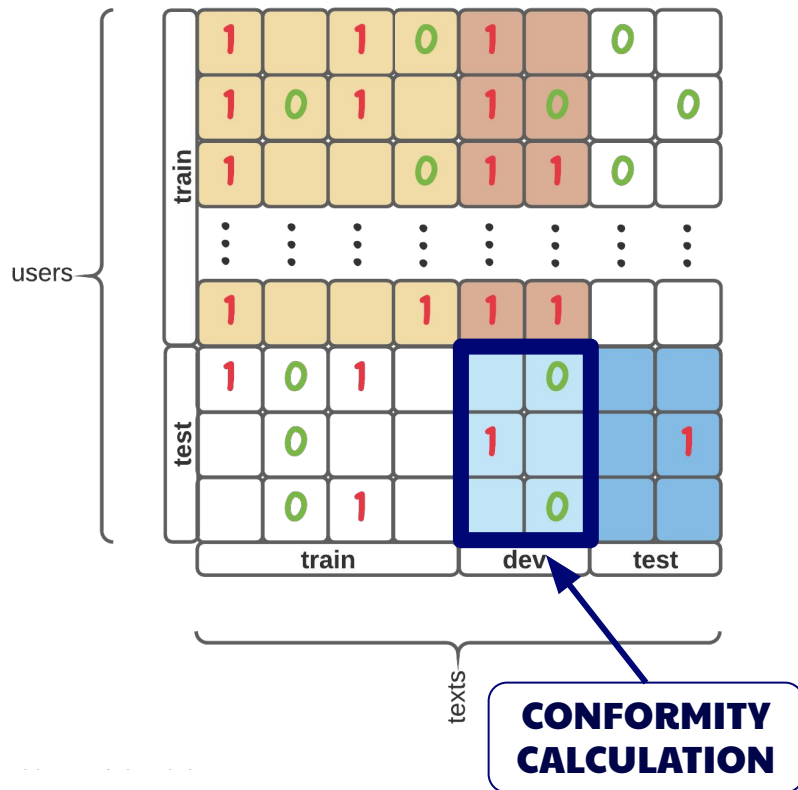
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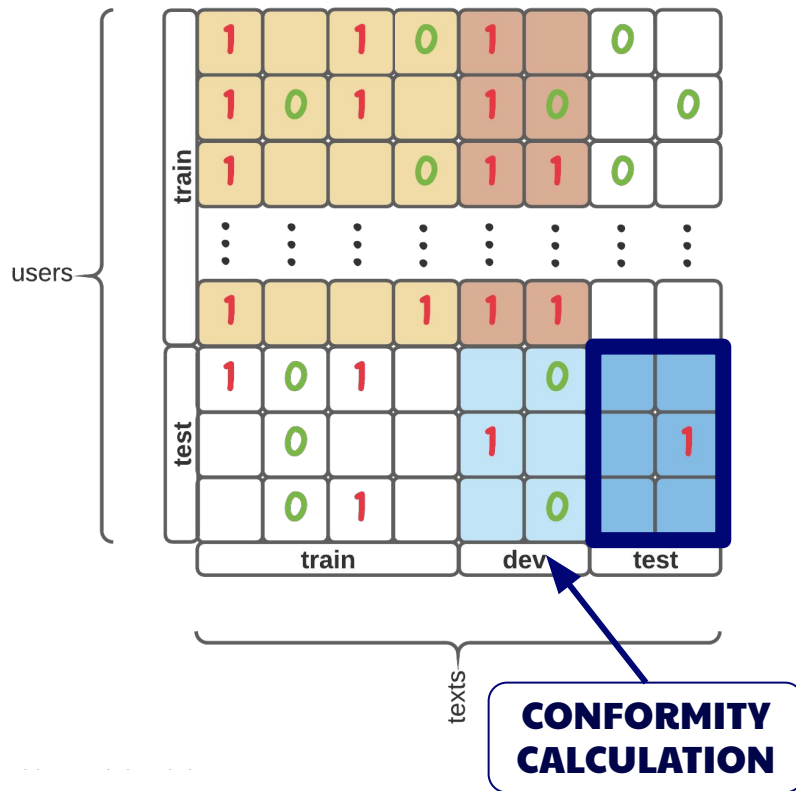
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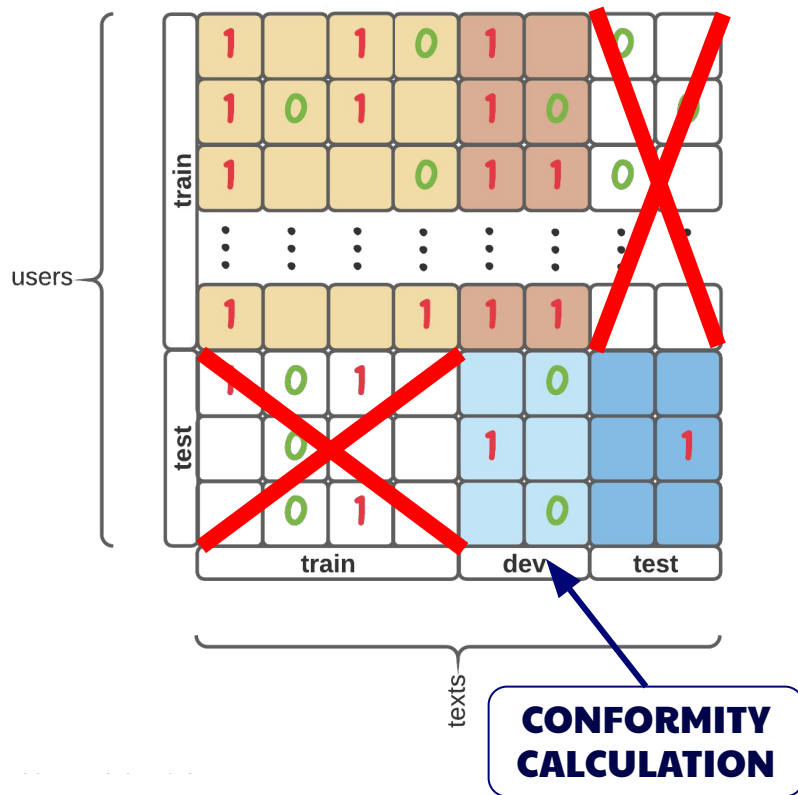
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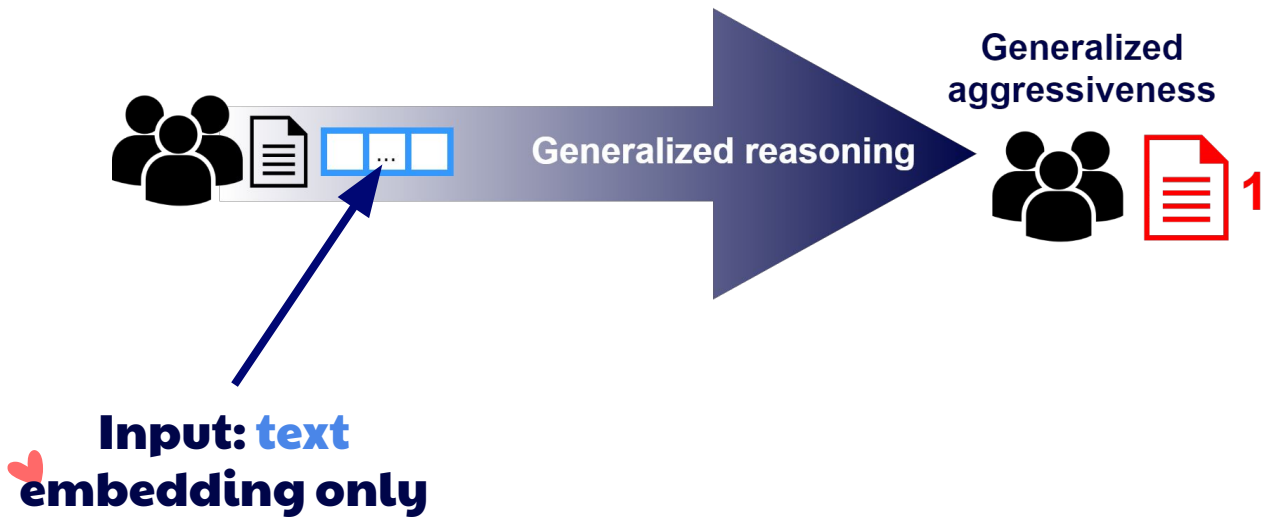




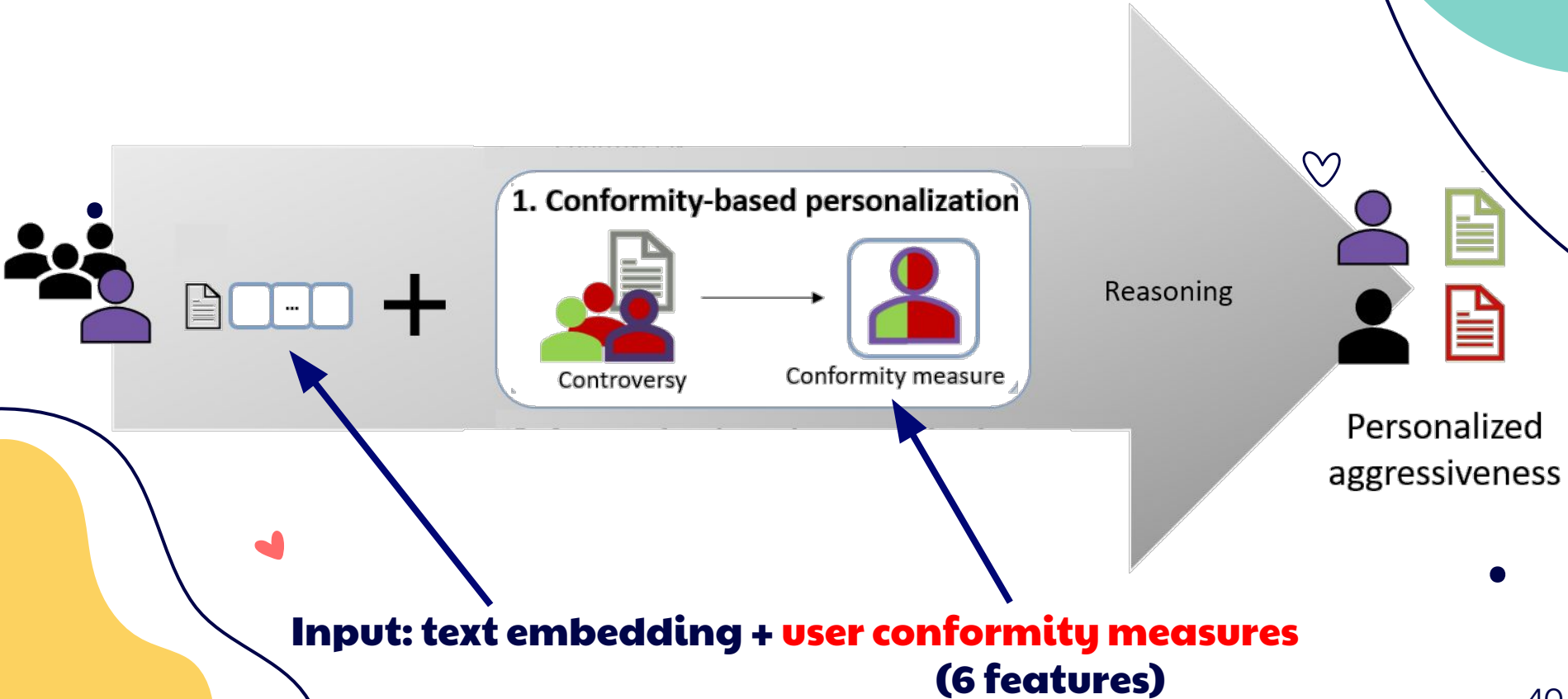
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**OFFENSIVE CONTENT:  
METHODS**

# GENERAL METHOD - BASELINE

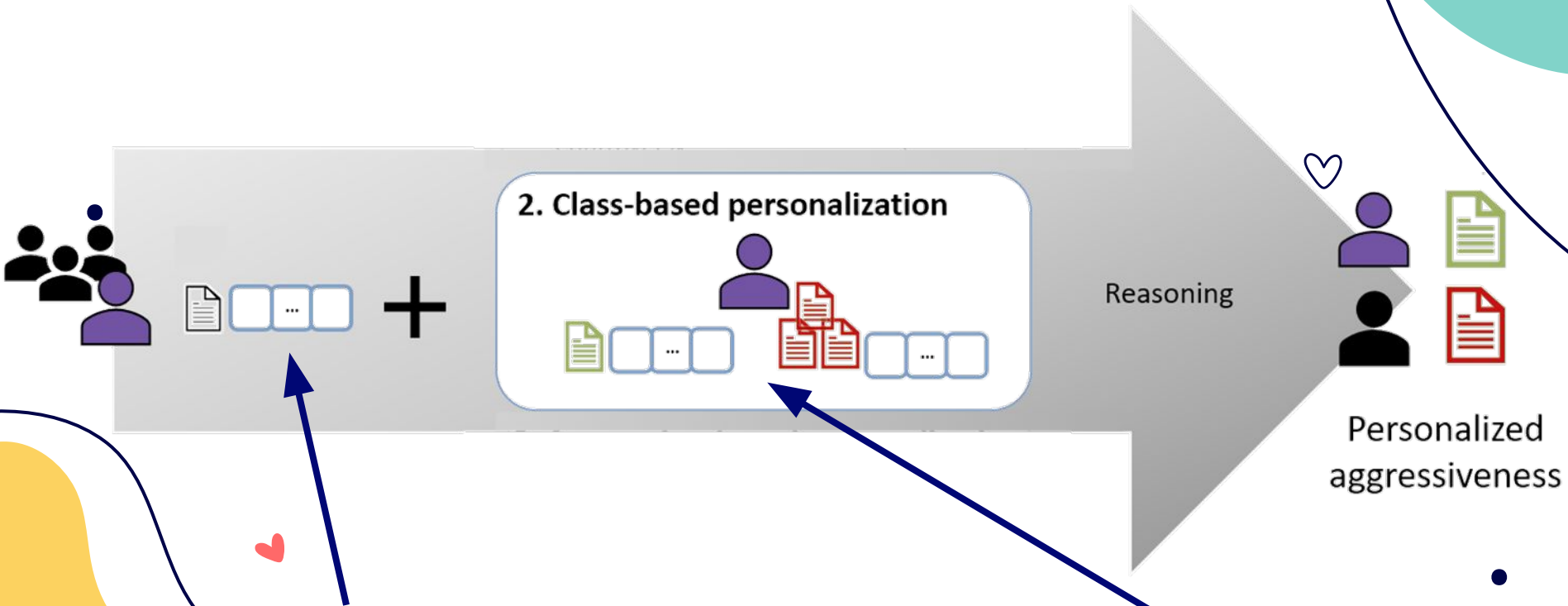


# 1. CONFORMITY-BASED PERSONALIZATION



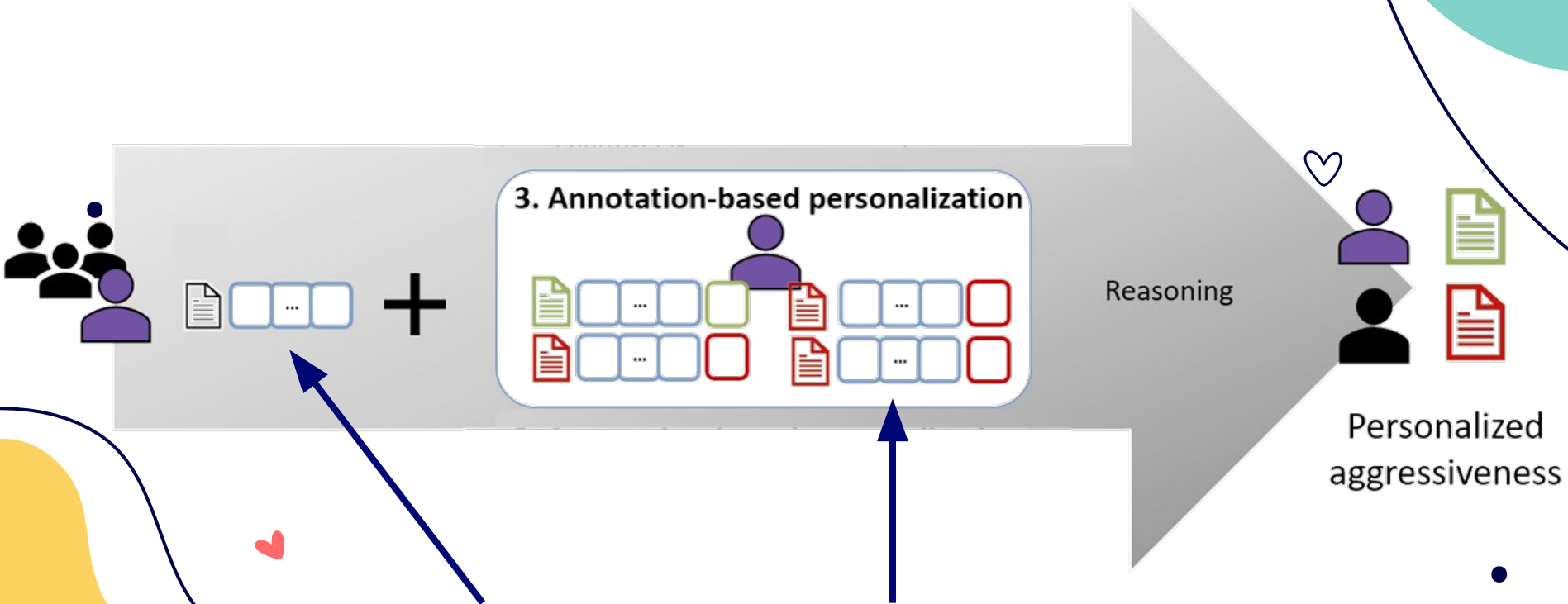


## 2. CLASS-BASED PERSONALIZATION

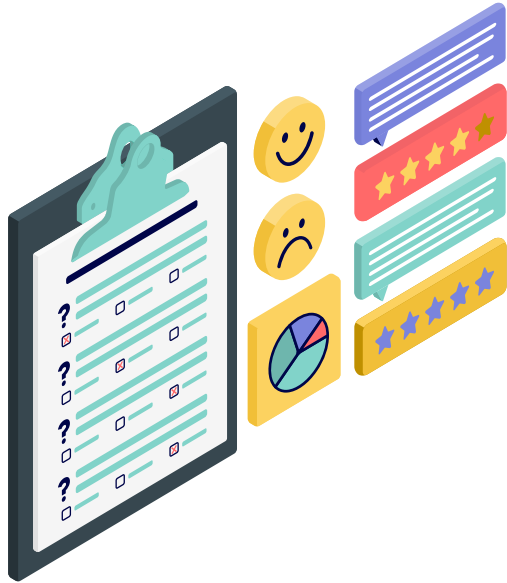


**Input: text embedding + texts seen by user as **aggressive** / **non-aggressive** (avg. of their embeddings)**

# 3. ANNOTATION-BASED PERSONALIZATION



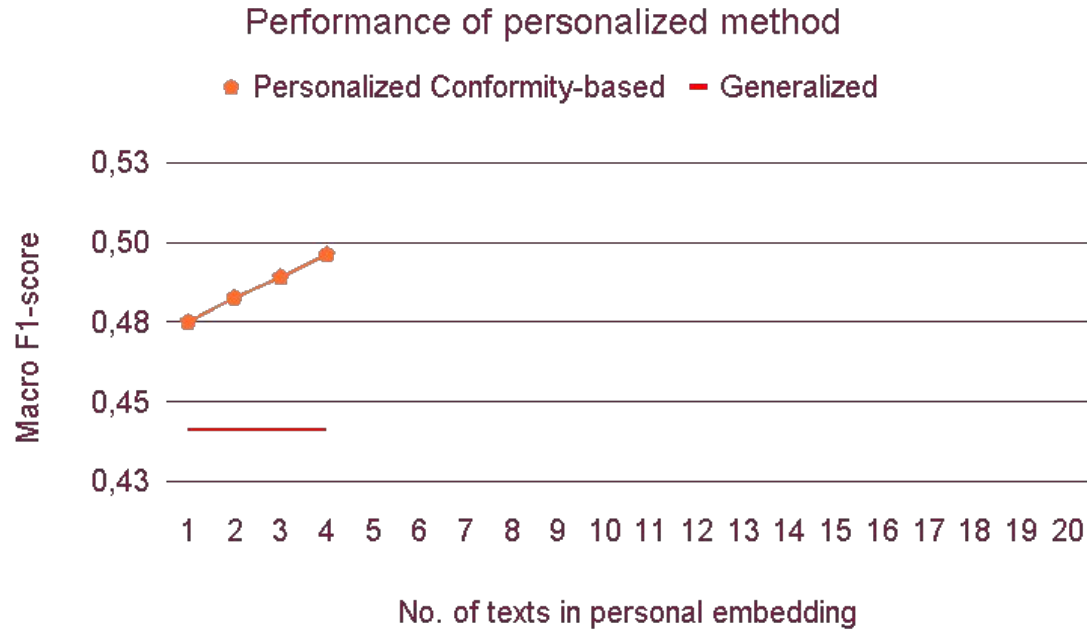
**Input: text embedding + all texts prev. seen by the user with their annotations 1 - 0, raw embeddings**



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**OFFENSIVE CONTENT:  
RESULTS**

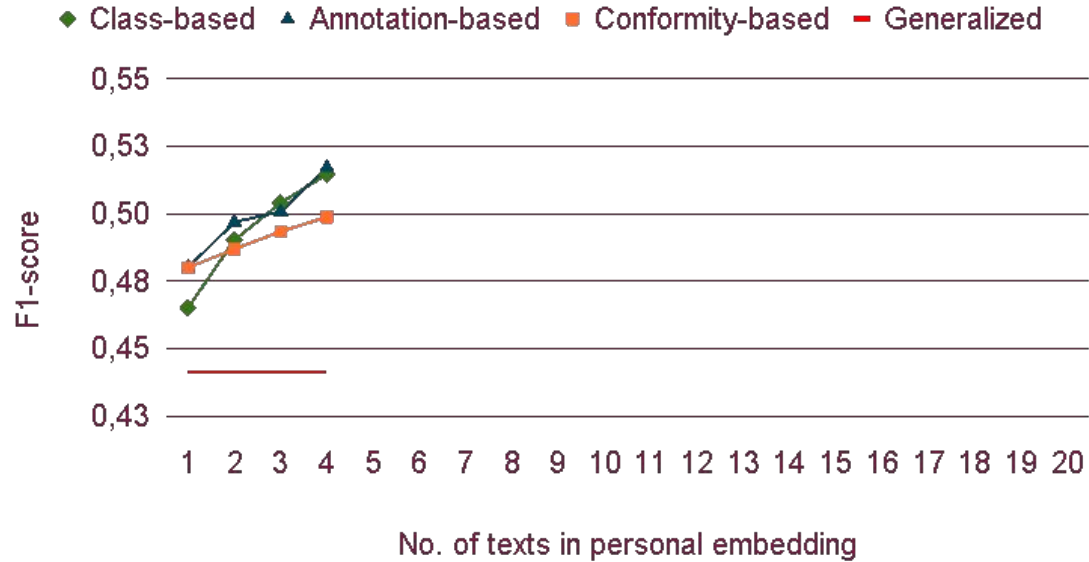
# EVALUATION RESULTS



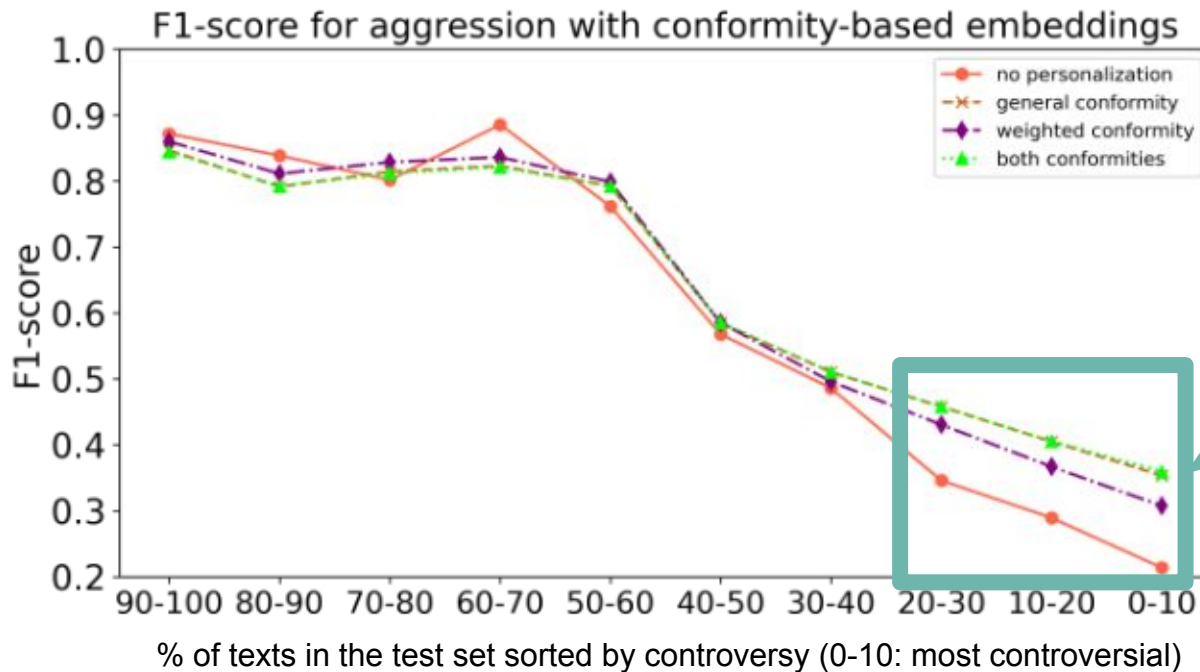
F1 for the *aggression* class only

# EVALUATION RESULTS

Performance on aggression with most controversial scenario



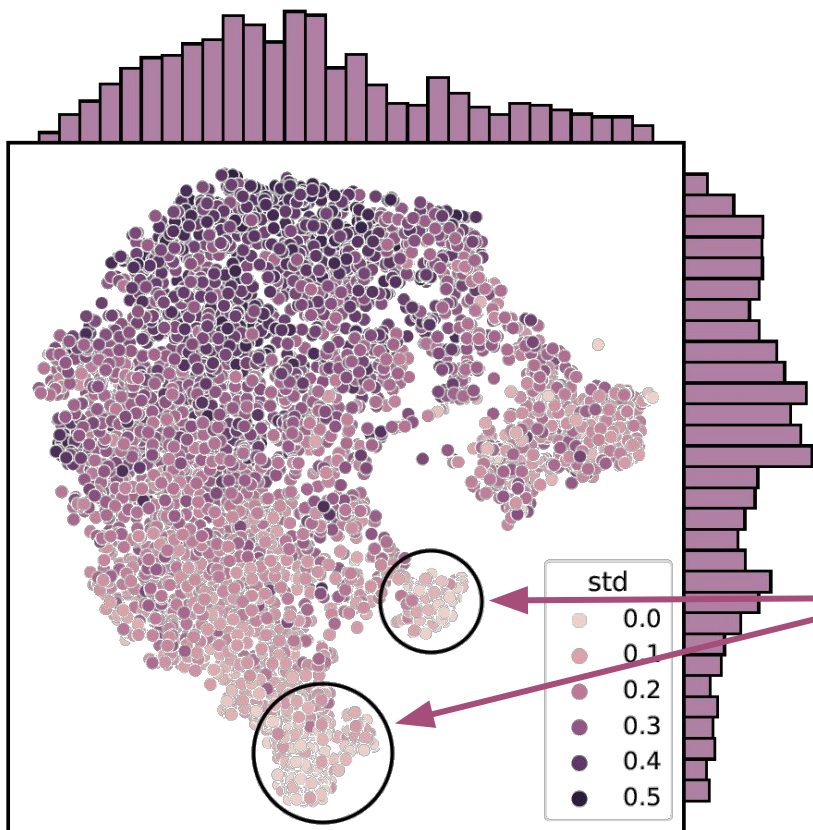
# Where PNLP gains?



Crucial gain for most controversial texts

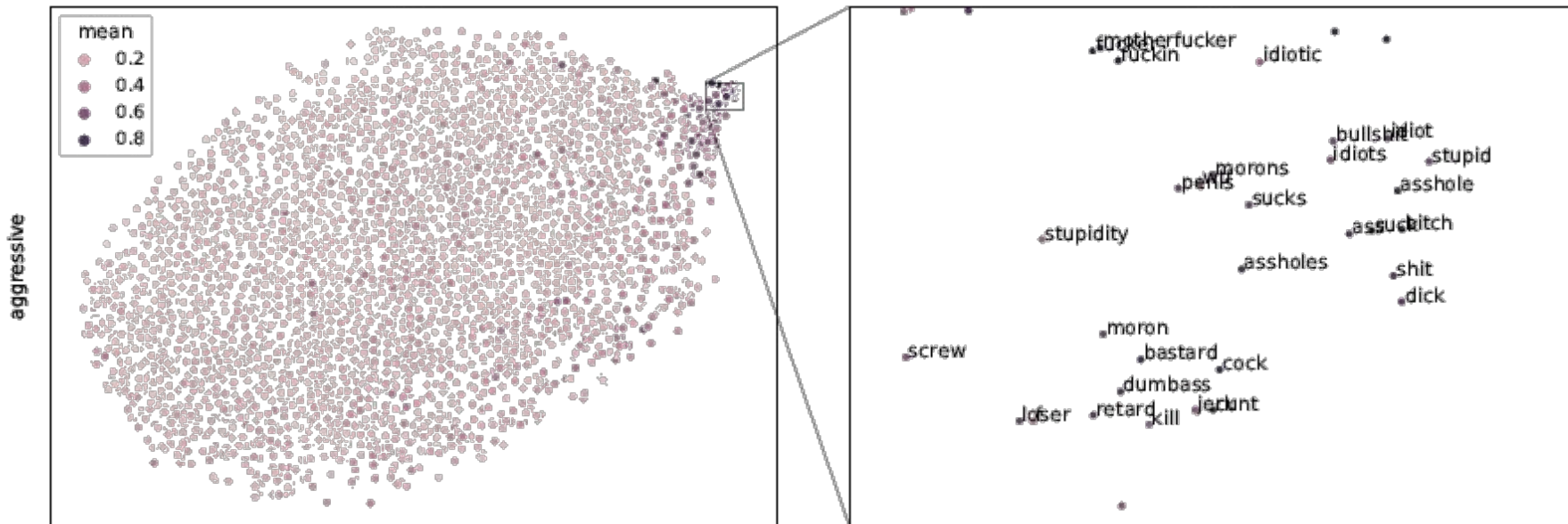


# HUMAN EMBEDDINGS: Wiki Aggression



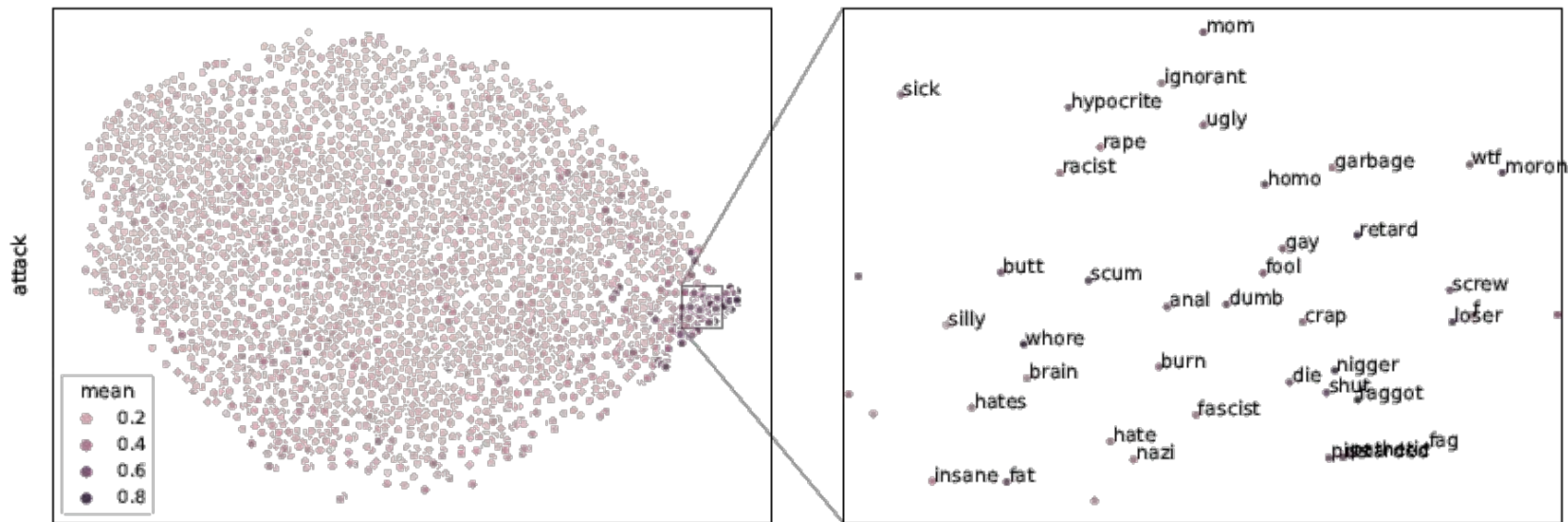
Low std. dev.  
for some annotators  
⇒ **not credible** ones?

# WORD EMBEDDINGS: Wiki Aggression

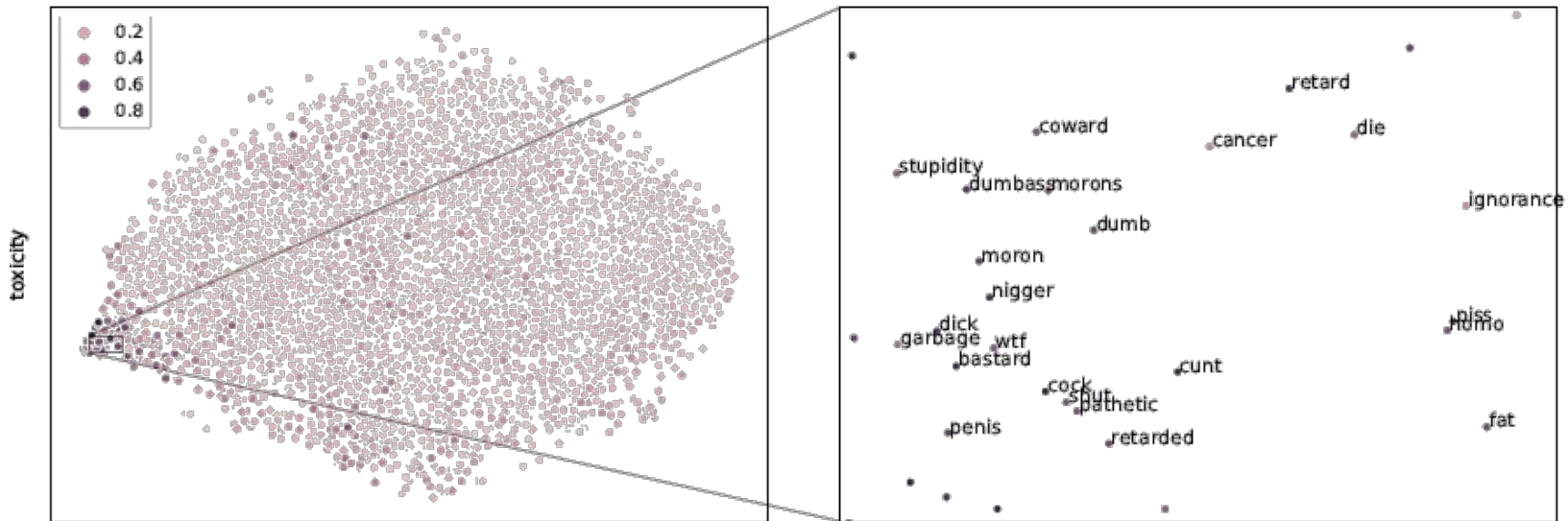


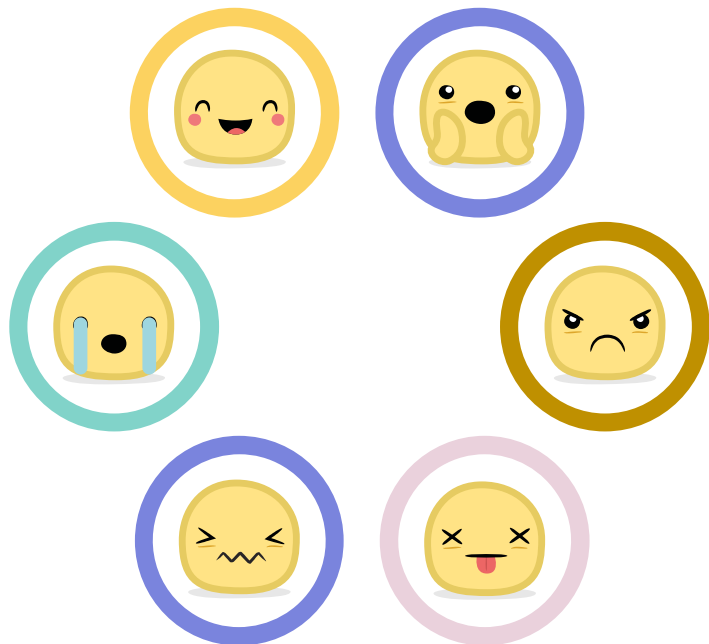


# WORD EMBEDDINGS: Wiki Attack



# WORD EMBEDDINGS: Wiki Toxicity



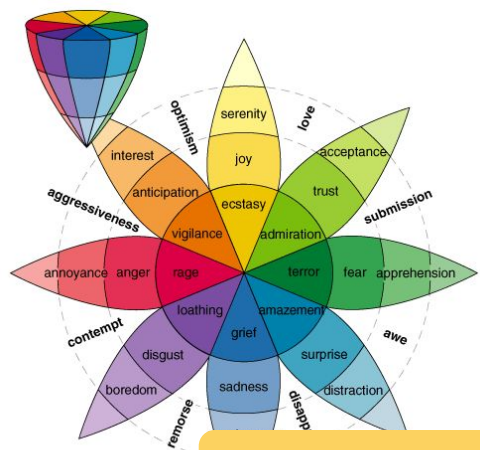


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## RESEARCH ON EMOTIONAL CONTENT PERCEPTION

ACL2021 – [Mit21]  
ICDM2021 – [Koc21b]

# EMOTIONAL DATA (in Polish)



Emotions

Texts

People

**10 values**

**7,004**

**8,853**

Annotations

Controversial Texts

**3,774,338**

NOT publicly available

**100 %**

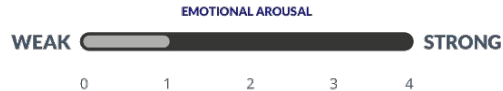
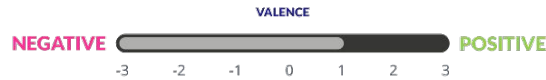


# EMOTIONAL TEXTS: example

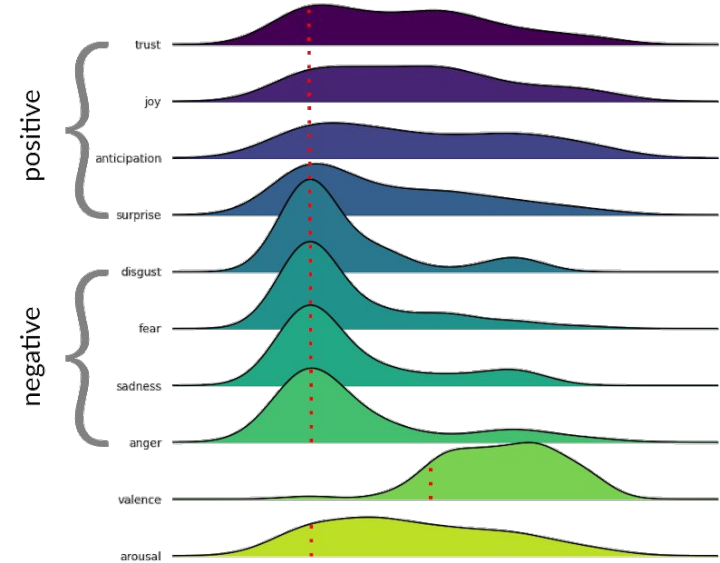
## Example opinion

A modern, clean, well-maintained closed housing estate. Tastefully furnished apartments with full equipment. Great swimming pools, playground for children, exercise room - two treadmills and some other equipment, sauna. In fact, the car park is constantly full, we parked in front of the estate's gate. I do not recommend parking in prohibited places, because the security first sticker on the glass sticker, which is said to be hard to take off and then call the police. 10 minutes walk to the sea. Nearby a few places with home-made lunches, a little further on a grocery store. To the promenade on foot about half an hour.

## Example annotation

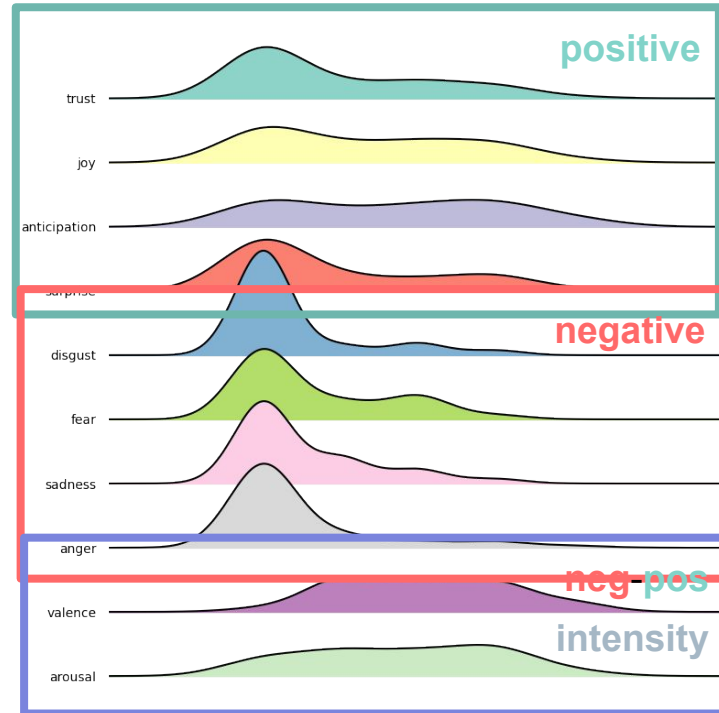


## All annotations



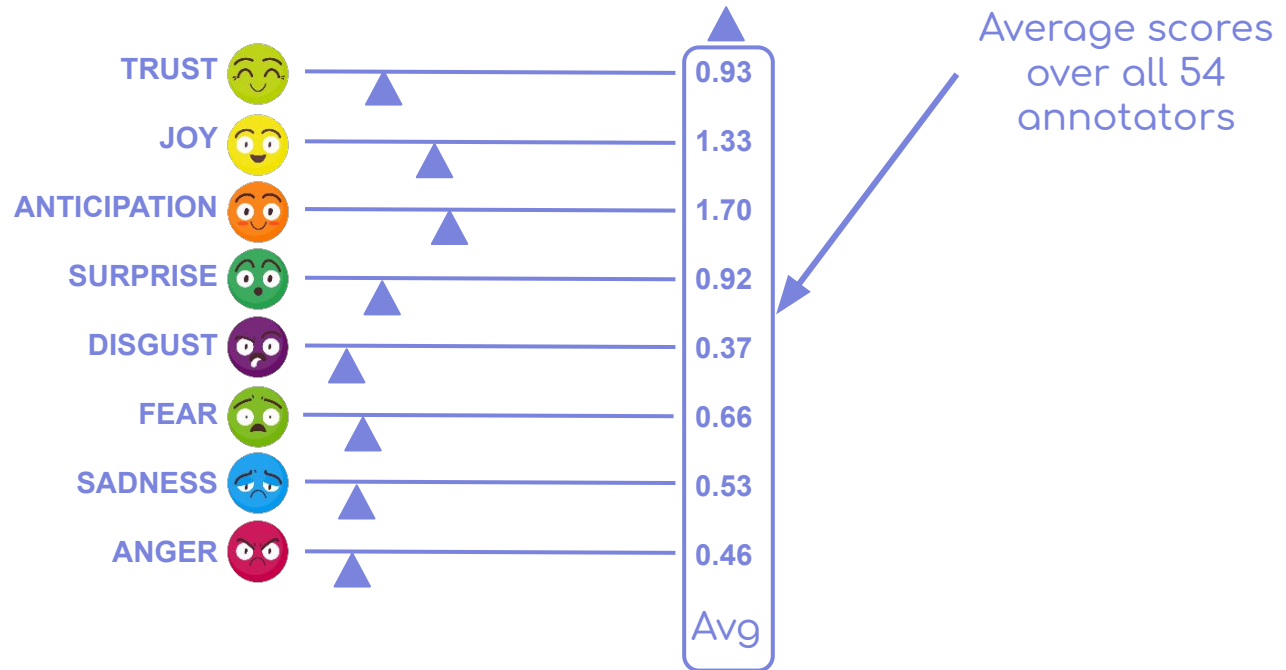
# Example opinion

*“She closed an unsuccessful chapter in her life and decided to start all over again.”*



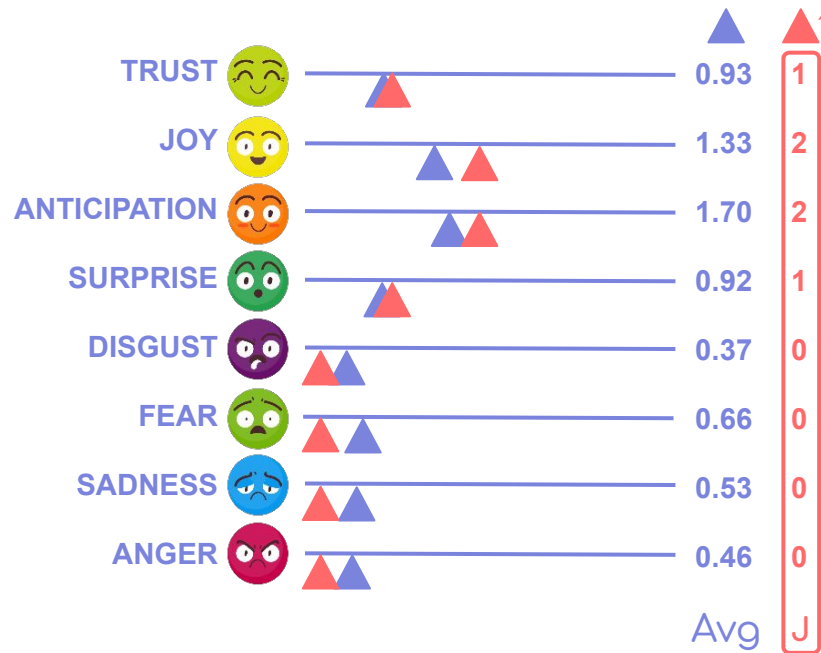
# Different answers

*“She closed an unsuccessful chapter in her life and decided to start all over again.”*



# Different answers

*“She closed an unsuccessful chapter in her life and decided to start all over again.”*



John  
scores fitting majority  
low Personal Emotional Bias (PEB)

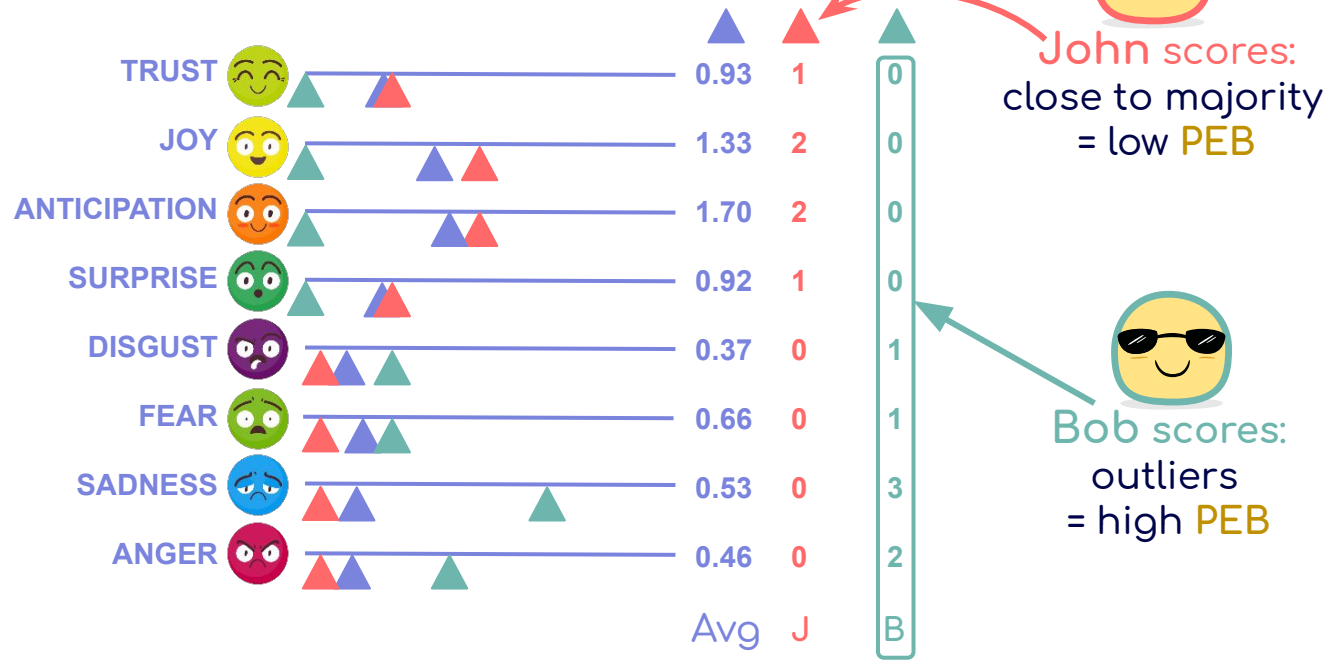
**PEB: Z-score**

$$PEB(u, c) = \frac{\sum_{d \in D_u^{past}} \frac{v_{c,d,u} - \mu_{c,d}}{\sigma_{c,d}}}{|D_u^{past}|}$$



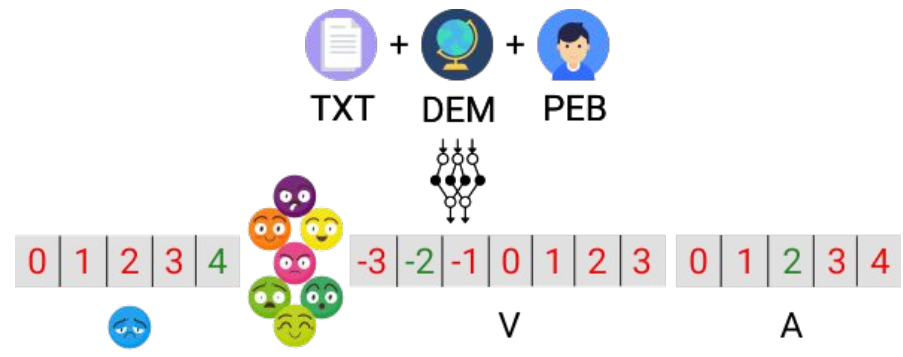
# Different answers

*“She closed an unsuccessful chapter in her life and decided to start all over again.”*

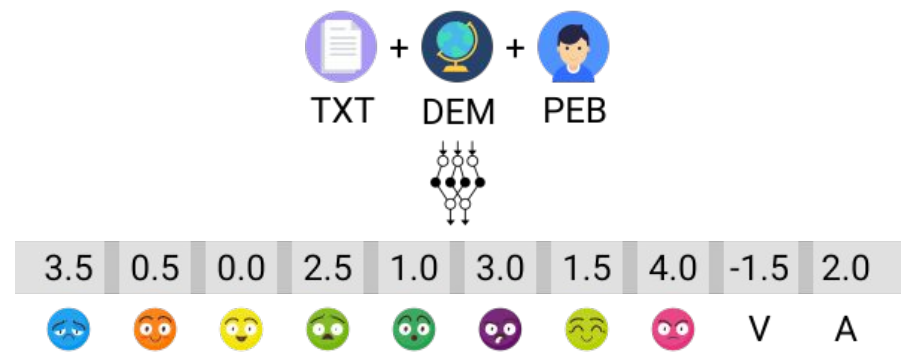


# EMOTIONAL EXPERIMENTS

**(1) Multi-task classification**

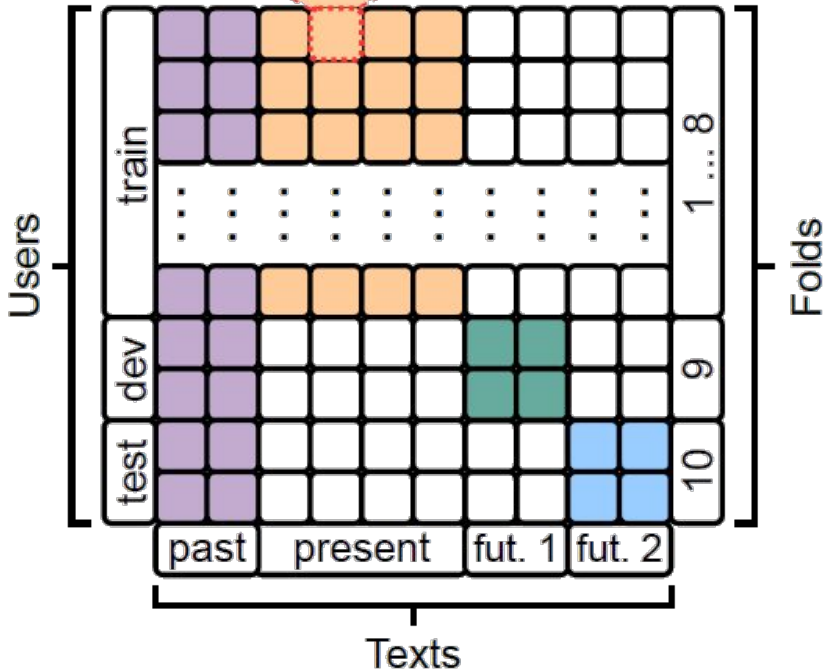


**(2) Multivariate regression**



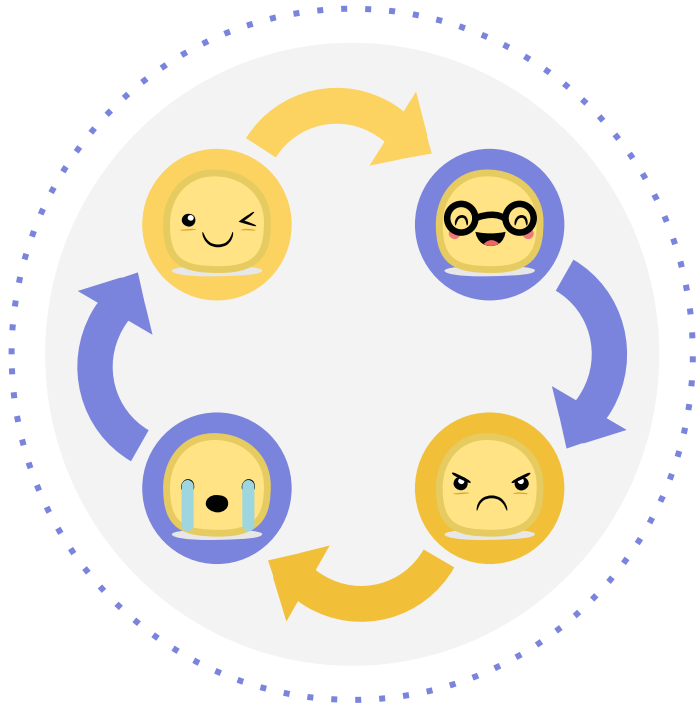
# EMOTIONAL DATA SPLIT

Similar to offensive data but with 10 folds



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**RESEARCH ON  
EMOTIONS:  
METHODS**

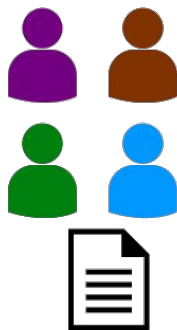
# GENERALIZED vs. PERSONALIZED NLP



Generalized reasoning

Generalized rating

  
[2, 4, 3, 2, 3, 1, 2, 2, 1, 2]



Personalized reasoning

Personalized rating

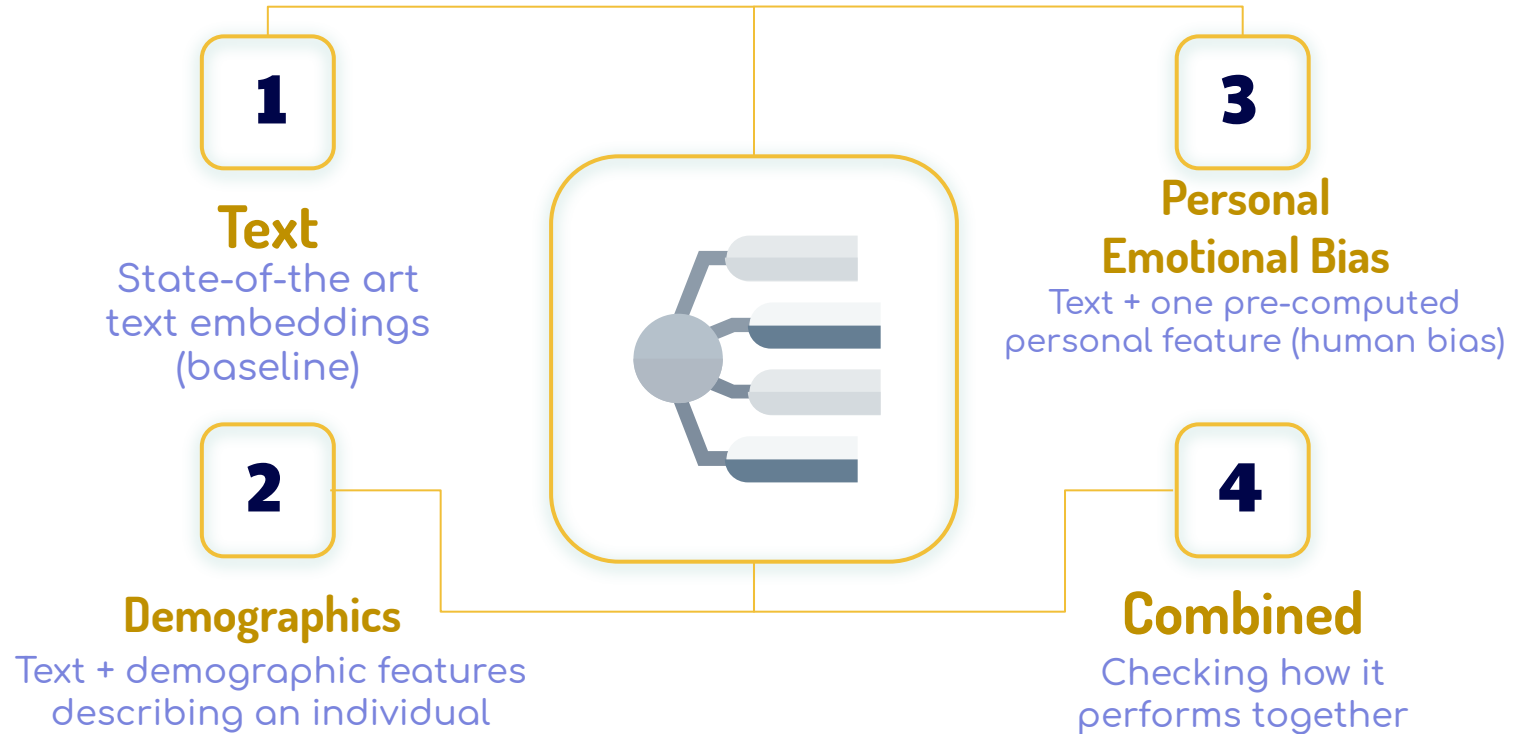
  
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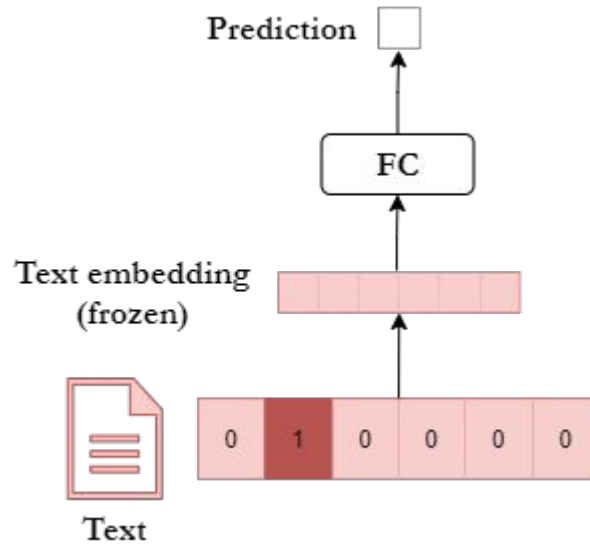
  
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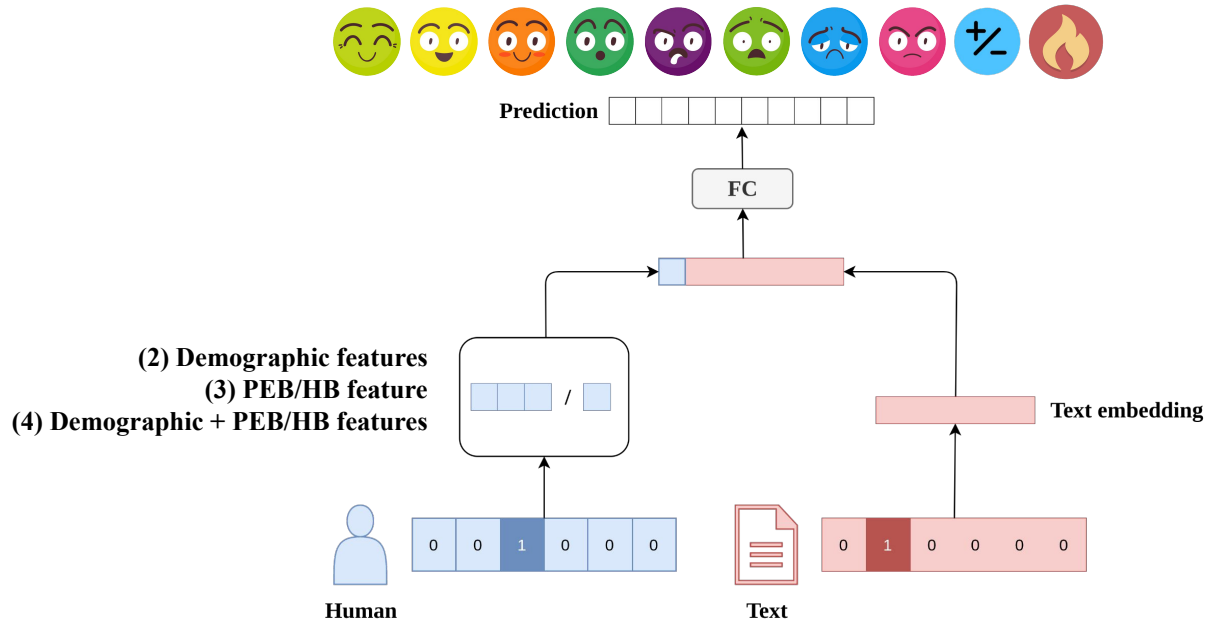
# FOUR METHODS



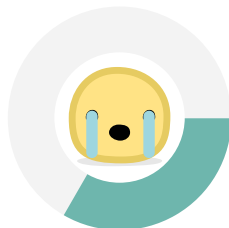
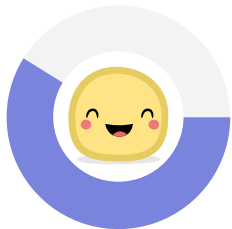
# (1) TEXT ONLY: BASELINE



# (2) DEMOGRAPHICS & (3) PERSONAL EMOTIONAL BIAS (PEB/HB) (4) ALL: demogr. + PEB feature







# 6b

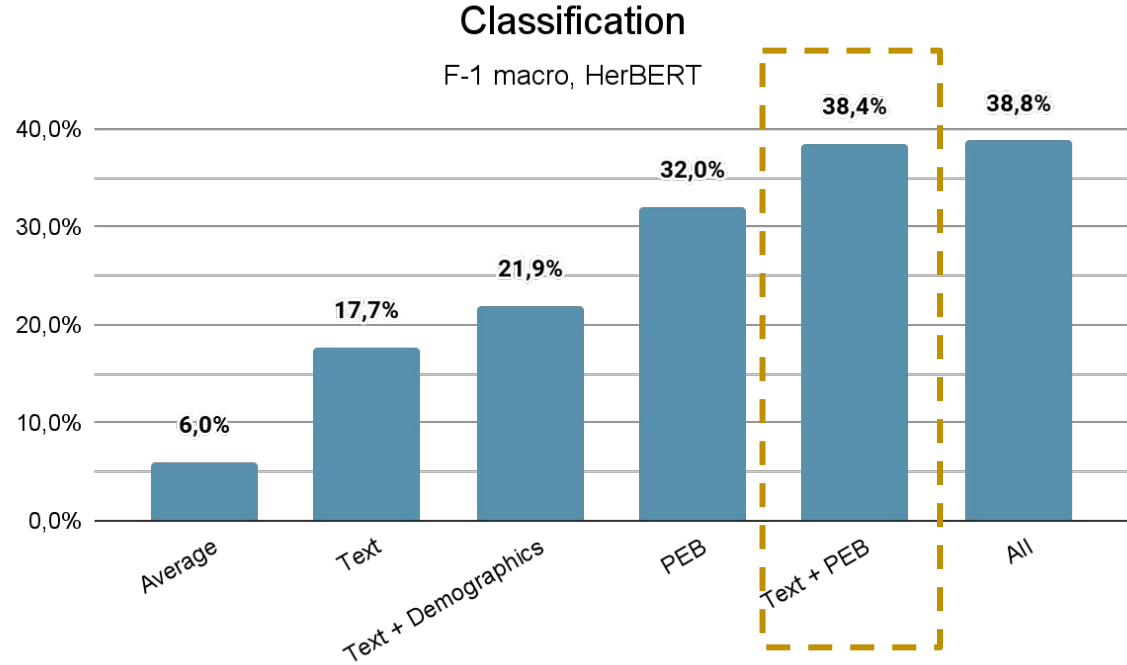
## RESEARCH ON EMOTIONS: RESULTS

# CLASSIFICATION: all emotions aggregated

Other language models:

- XLM-RoBERTa
- fastText + LSTM
- Polish RoBERTa

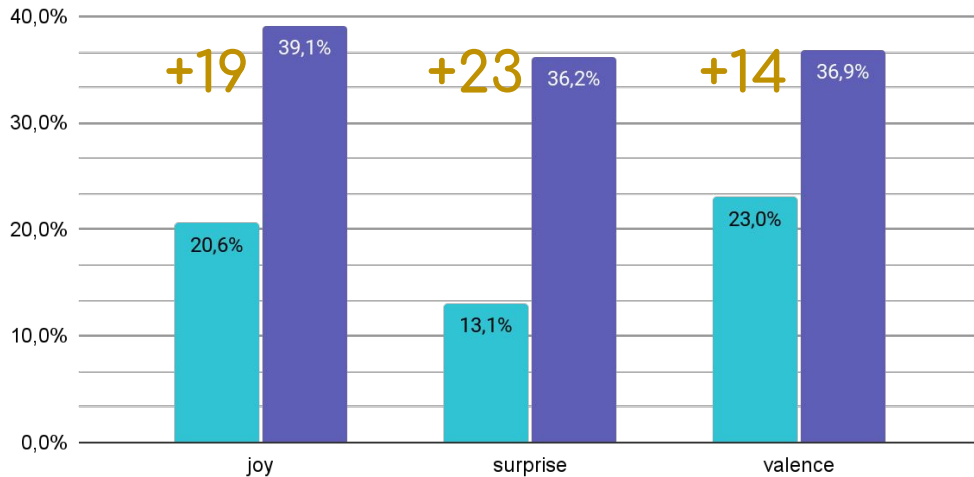
Worse by <1.5 p.p.



# CLASSIFICATION: three emotional dimensions

## Classification

F-1 macro, HerBERT (PL SOTA)



### (1) Text only

Model based only on text embeddings



### (3) Text and PEB

Model prepared on text embeddings and Personal Emotional Bias

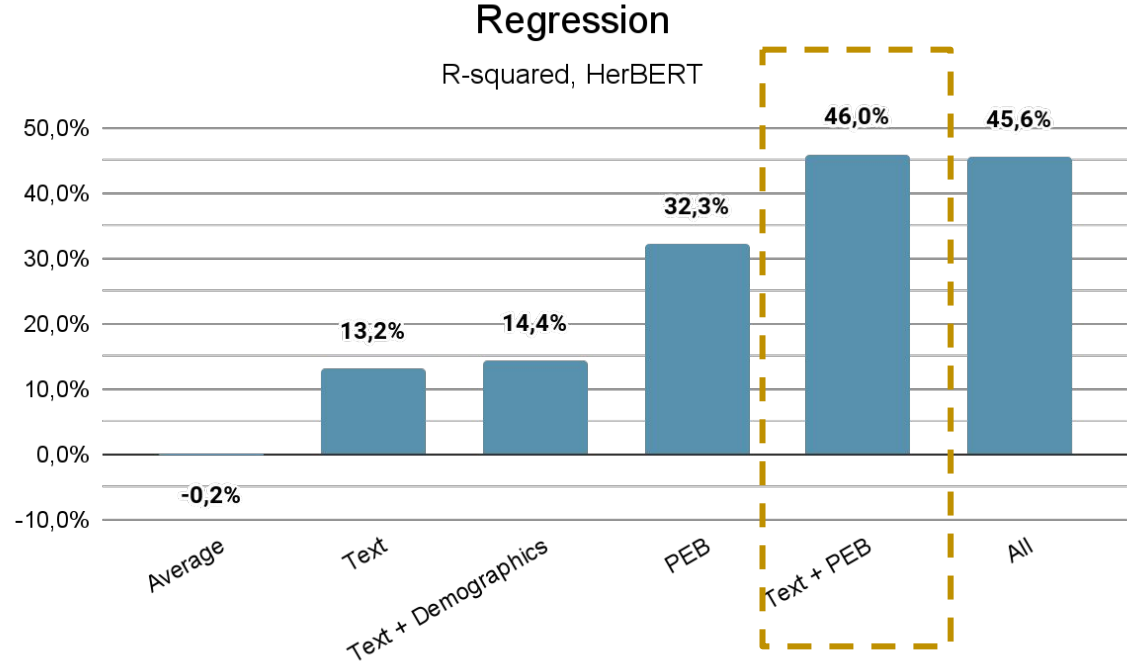


# REGRESSION: all emotions aggregated

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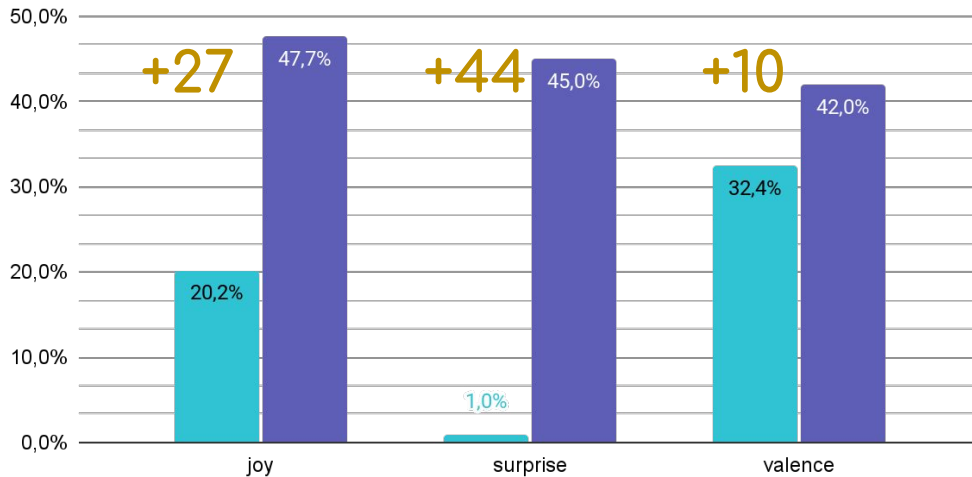
Worse by 3 p.p.



# REGRESSION: three emotions

## Regression

R-squared, HerBERT (PL SOTA)



### (1) Text only

Model based only on text embeddings



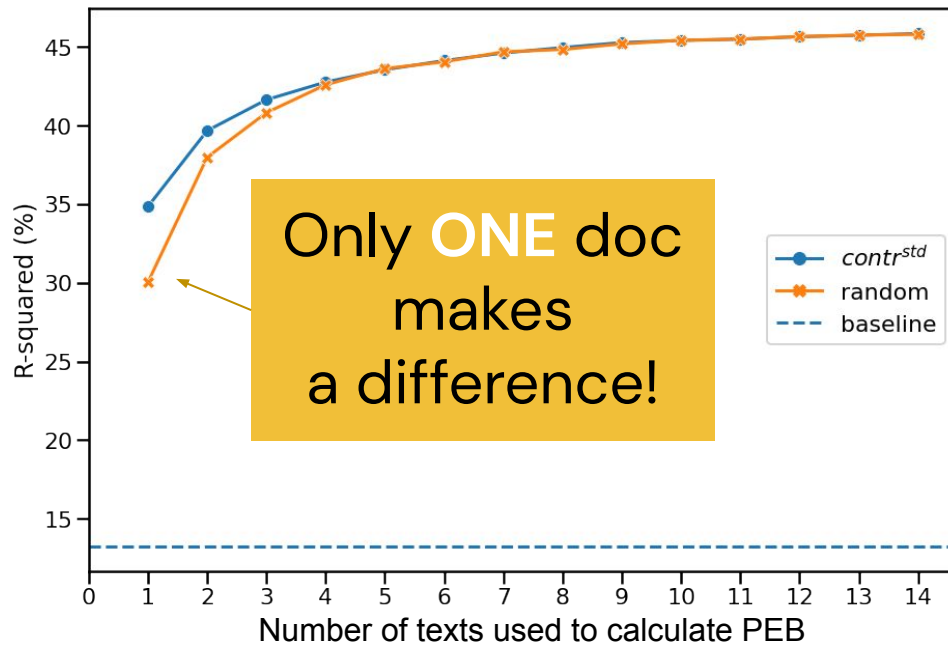
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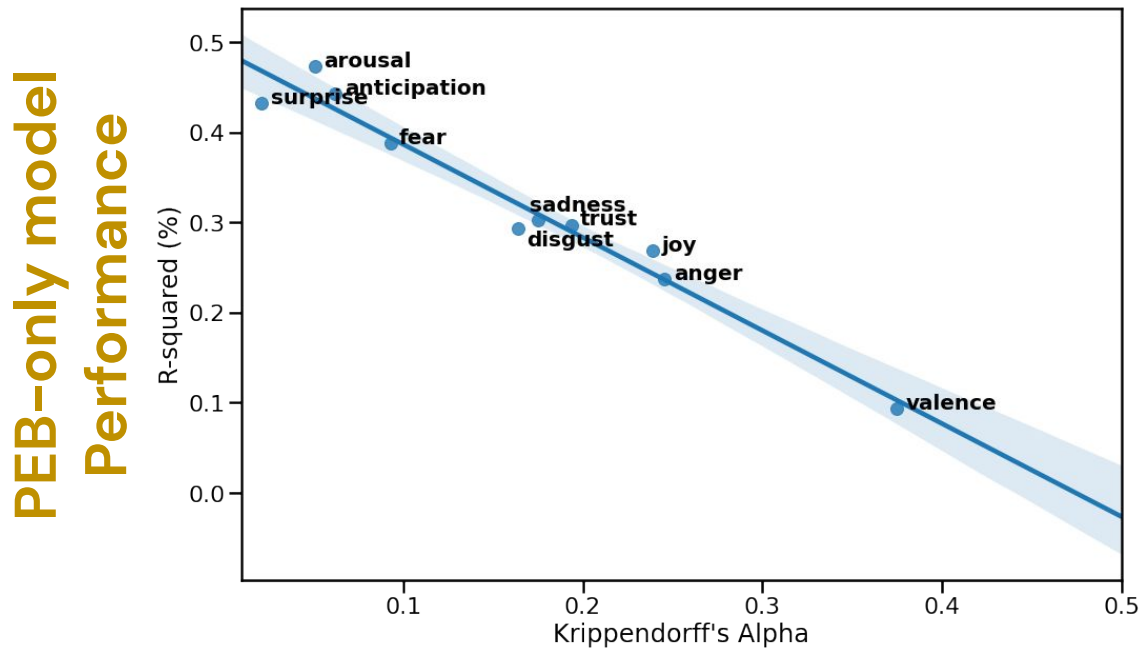
# How many texts are needed for PEB?

- (1) TXT - baseline
- (3) TXT+PEB:
  - random texts for PEB
  - most controversial texts for PEB

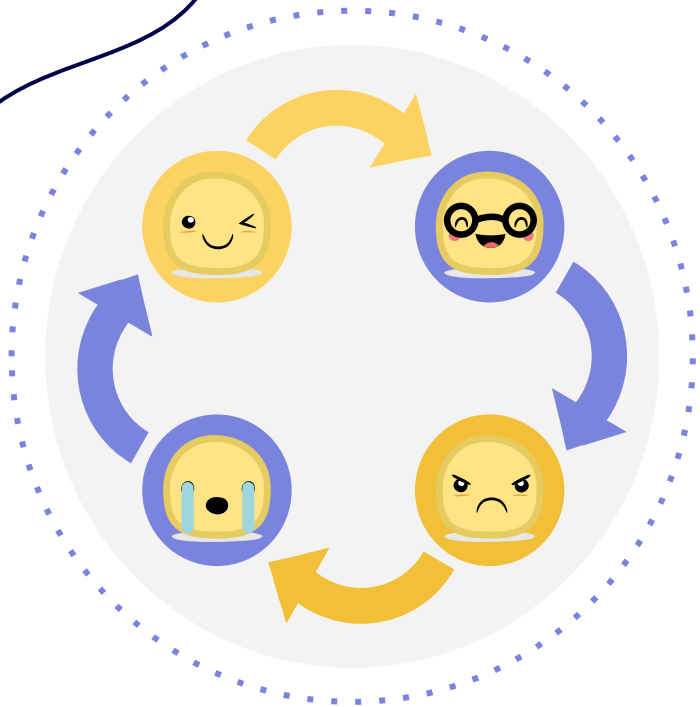


All emotions, HerBERT

# AGREEMENT LEVEL (controversy) vs. performance



Controversy in the collection



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## RESEARCH ON MULTIPLE TASKS AND MODELS

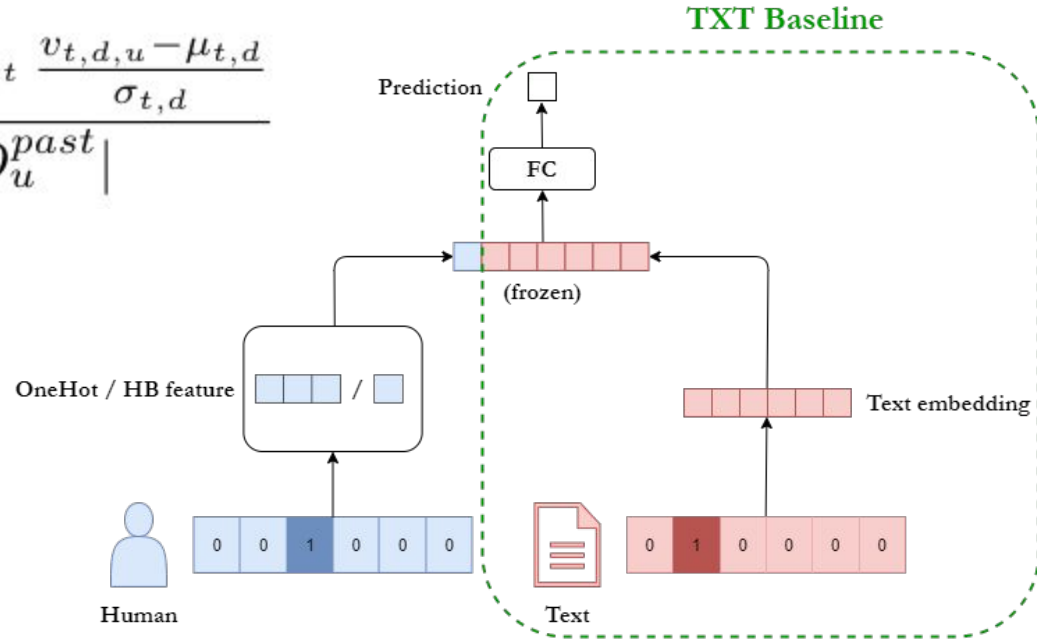
Wiki Detox: Attack,  
Aggression, Toxicity  
+ Emotions  
ICDM2021: [Koc21b]



# MODELS:

## Baseline (TXT) & OneHot ID & HuBi-Formula

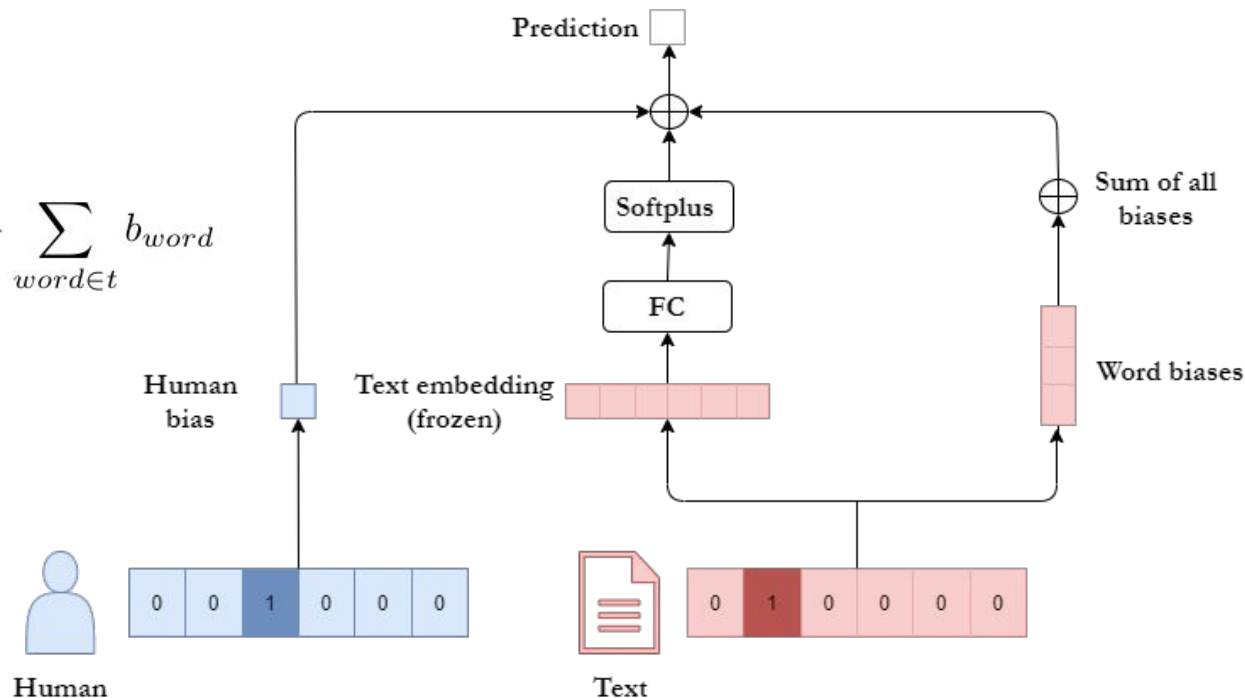
$$HB(u, t) = \frac{\sum_{d \in D_u^{past}} \frac{v_{t,d,u} - \mu_{t,d}}{\sigma_{t,d}}}{|D_u^{past}|}$$



# MODELS:

## HuBi-Simple: learned human bias

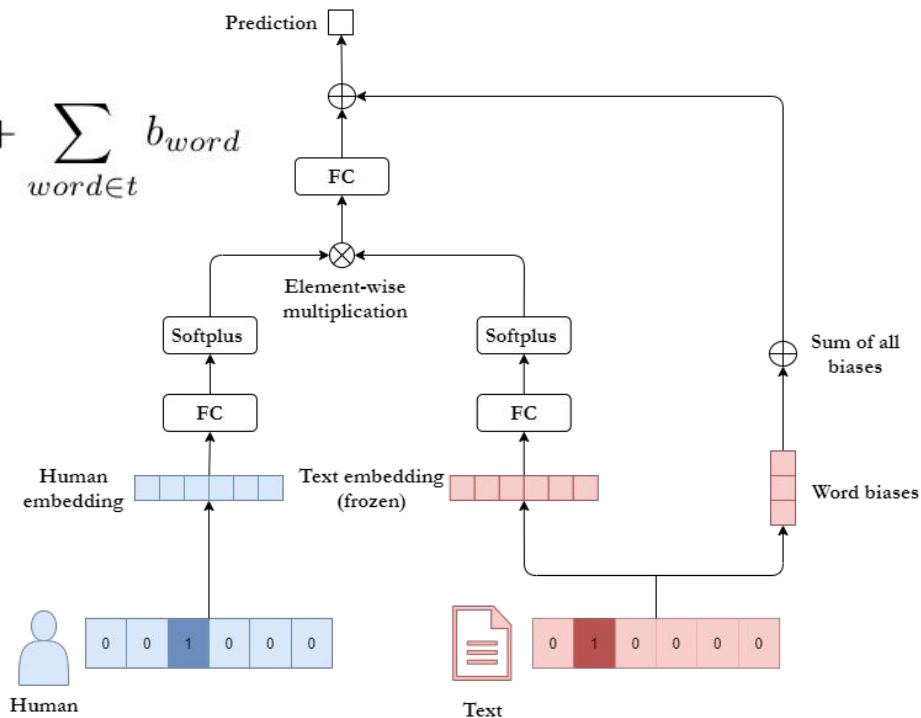
$$y(t, u) = a(W_T x_t) + b_u + \sum_{word \in t} b_{word}$$



# MODELS:

## HuBi-Medium: learned human embedding

$$y(t, a) = W_{TU}(a(W_T x_t) \otimes a(W_U x_u)) + \sum_{word \in t} b_{word}$$

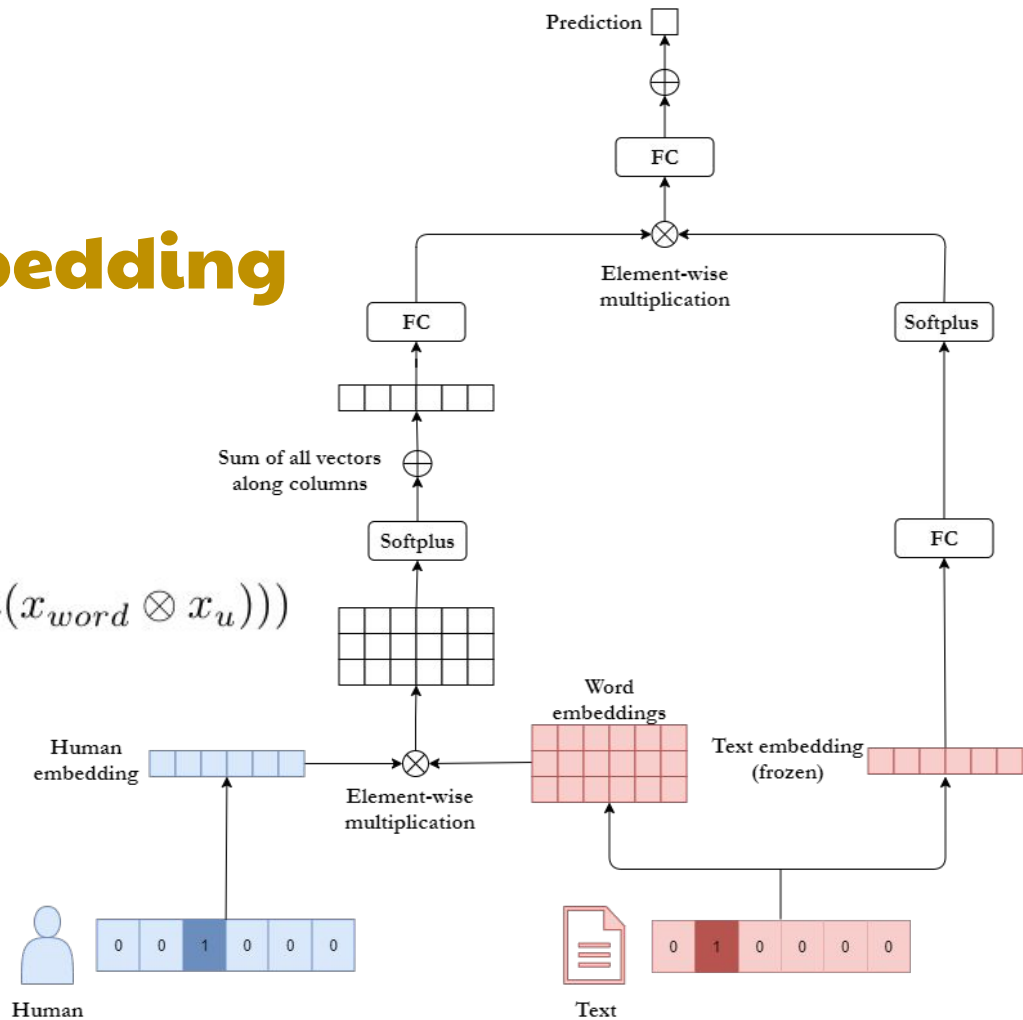


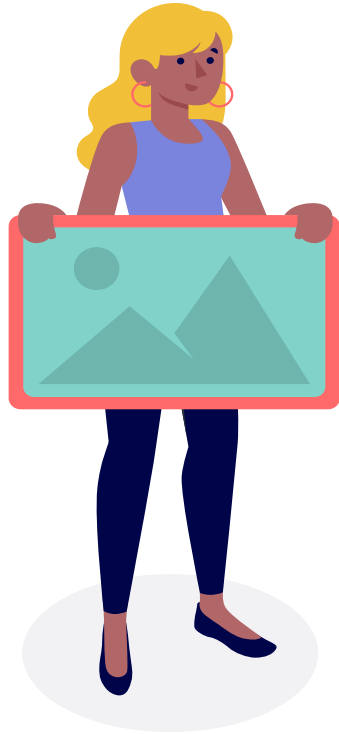
# MODELS:

## HuBi-Complex:

### human-word embedding

$$y(t, a) = W(a(W_T x_t) \otimes W_{WU}(\sum_{word \in t} a(x_{word} \otimes x_u)))$$





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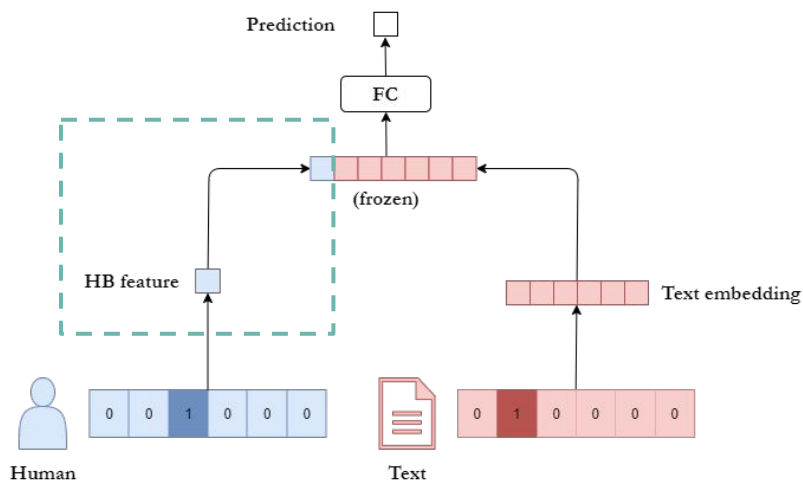
## **MULTIPLE TASKS: RESULTS**

Wiki Detox + Emotions

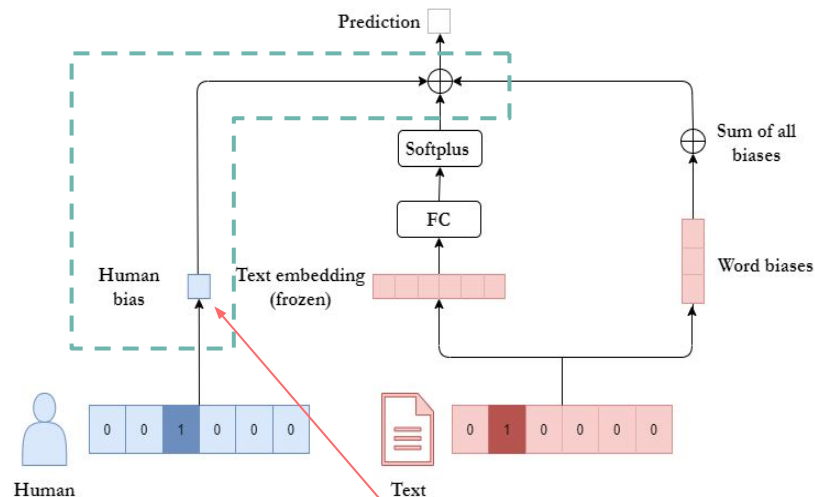


# FORMULA vs. LEARNED BIAS

## HB feature vs. HuBi-Simple (learned bias)



VS.



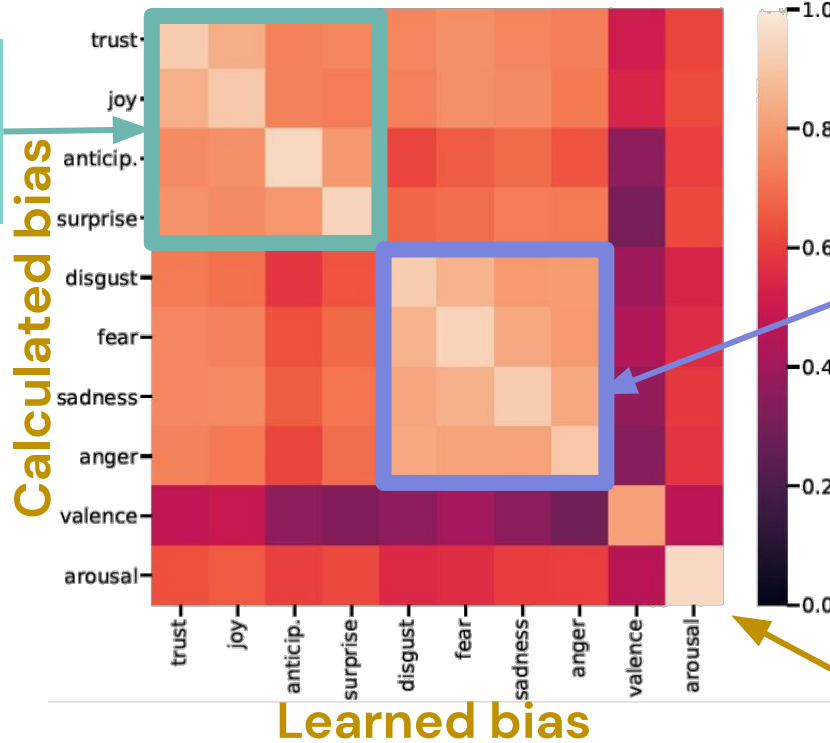
HB calculated feature (**formula**)

HuBi-Simple: **learned** human bias

# FORMULA vs. LEARNED BIAS

## Correlation between biases

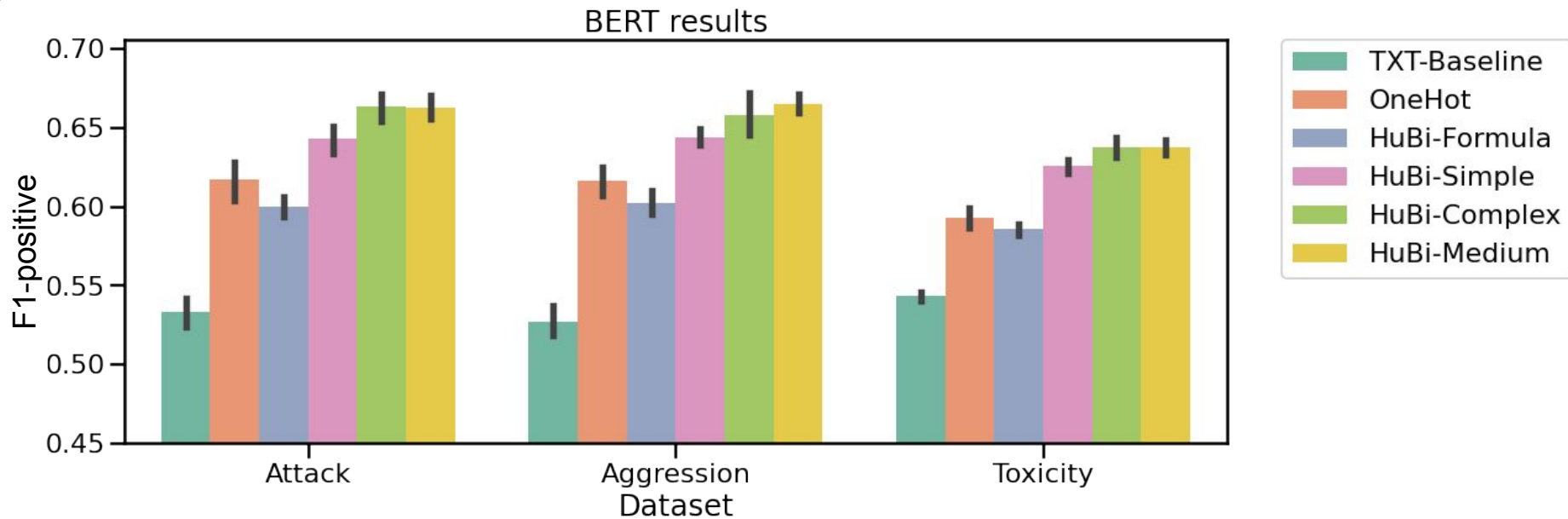
**Positive** emotions are highly correlated 73% and more



**Negative** emotions are highly correlated 80% and more

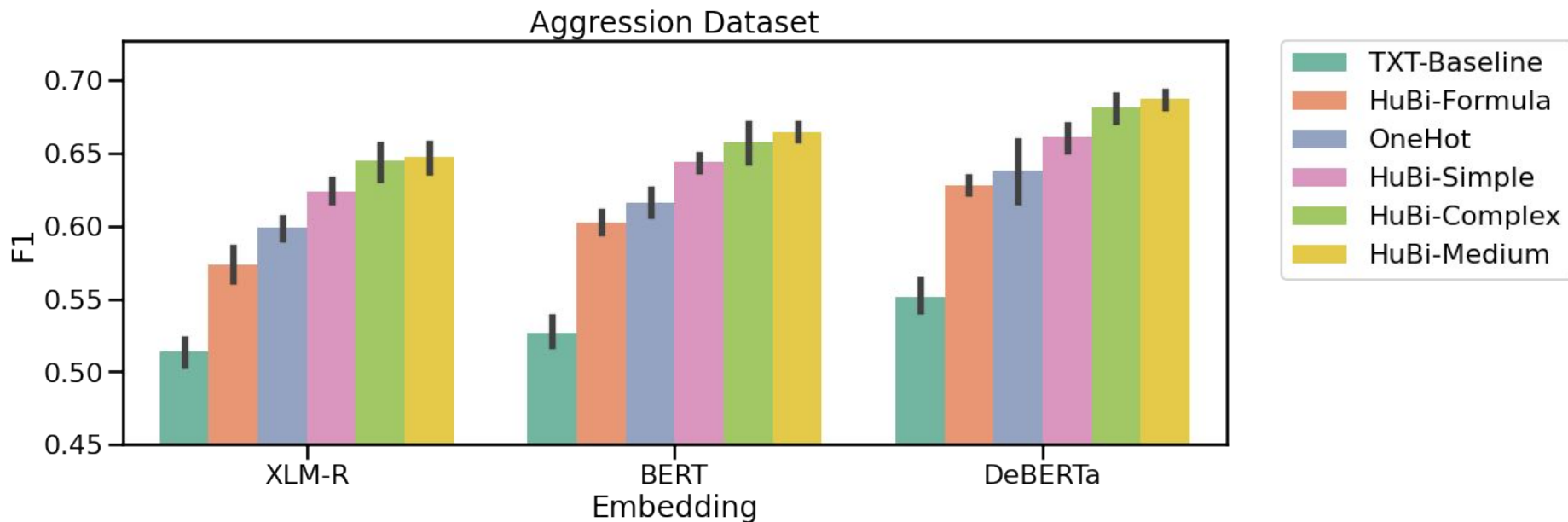
**Biases** are very highly correlated 90% and more (diagonal)

# WIKI: results on three datasets

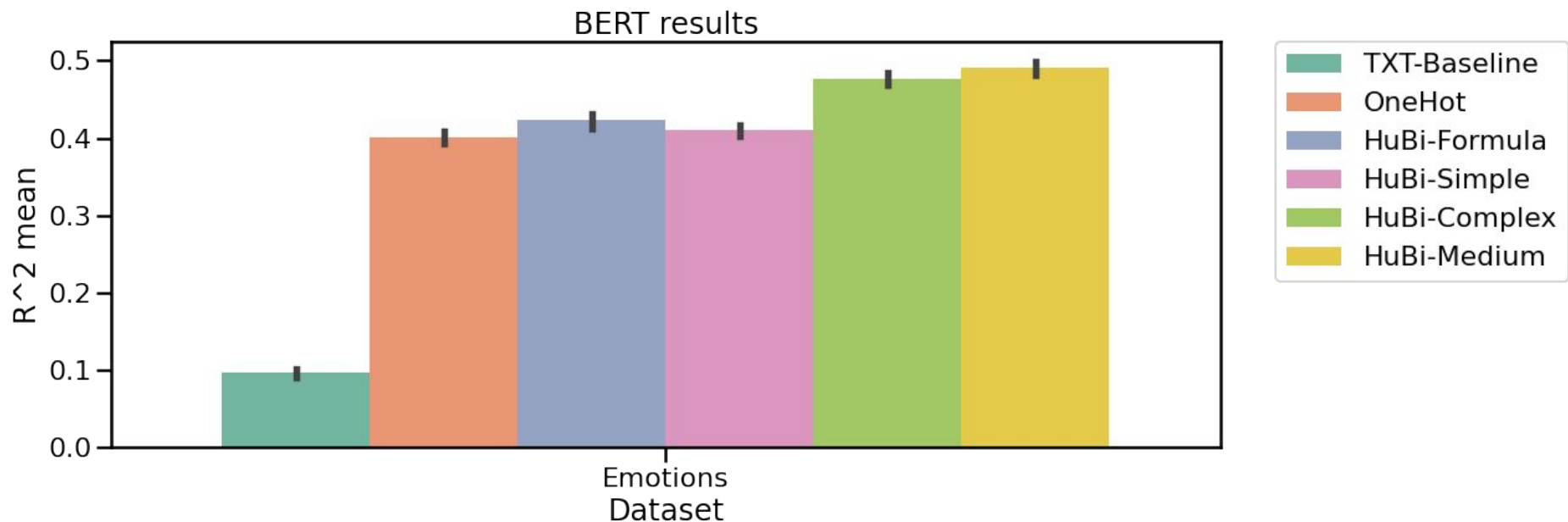




# WIKI: Results on Aggression Data

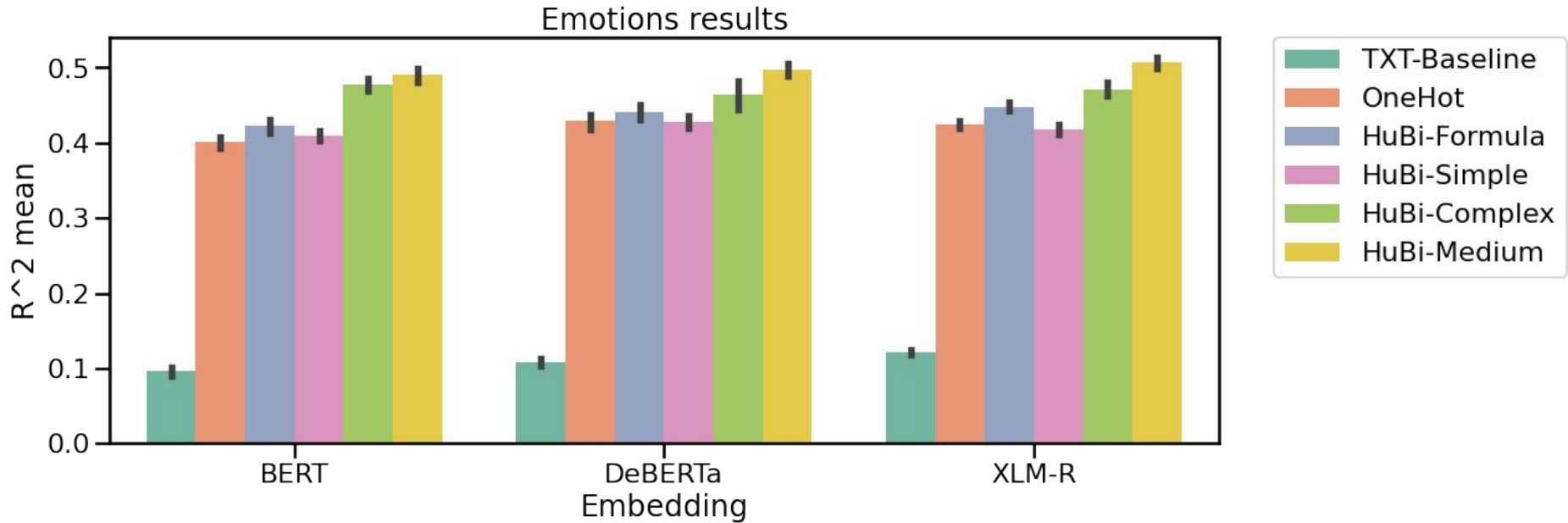


# EMOTIONS: Results



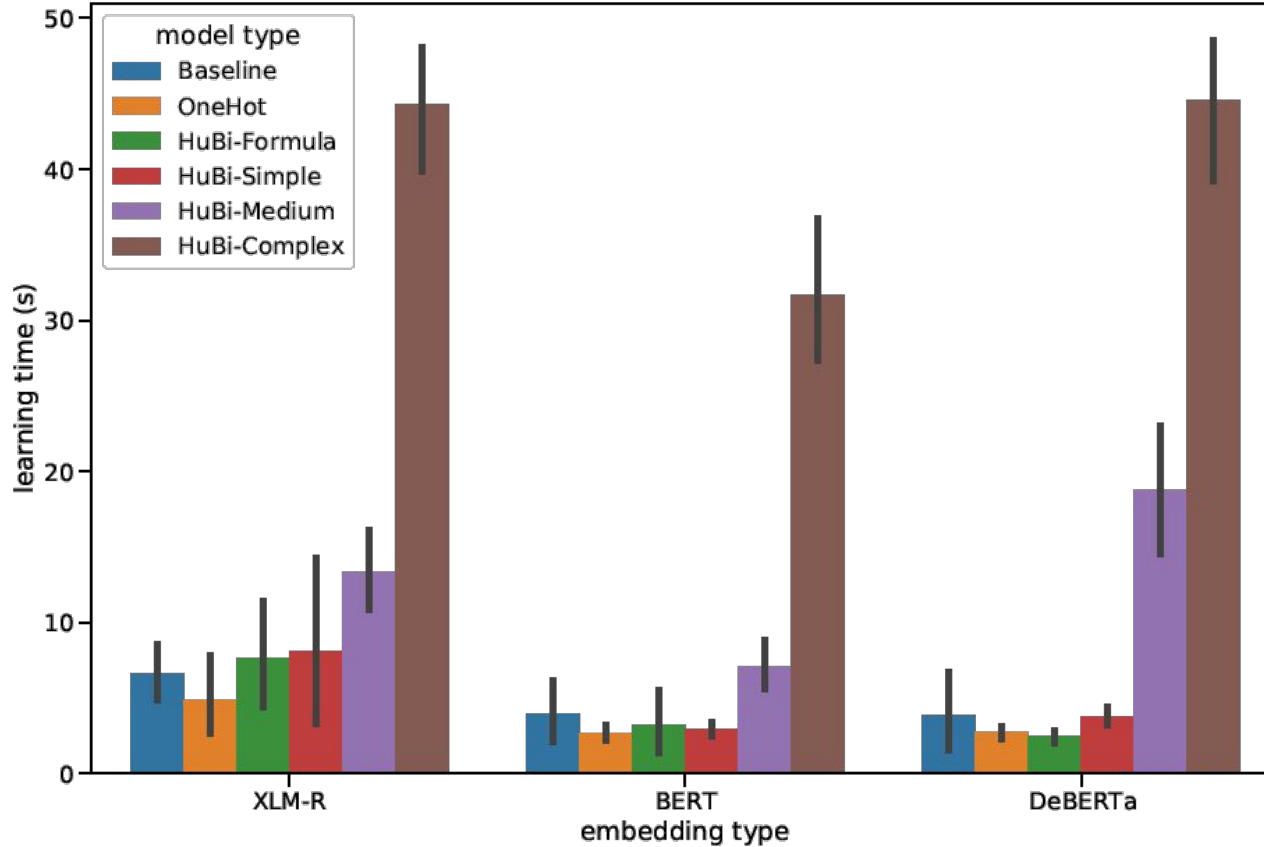
**Multivariate regression**

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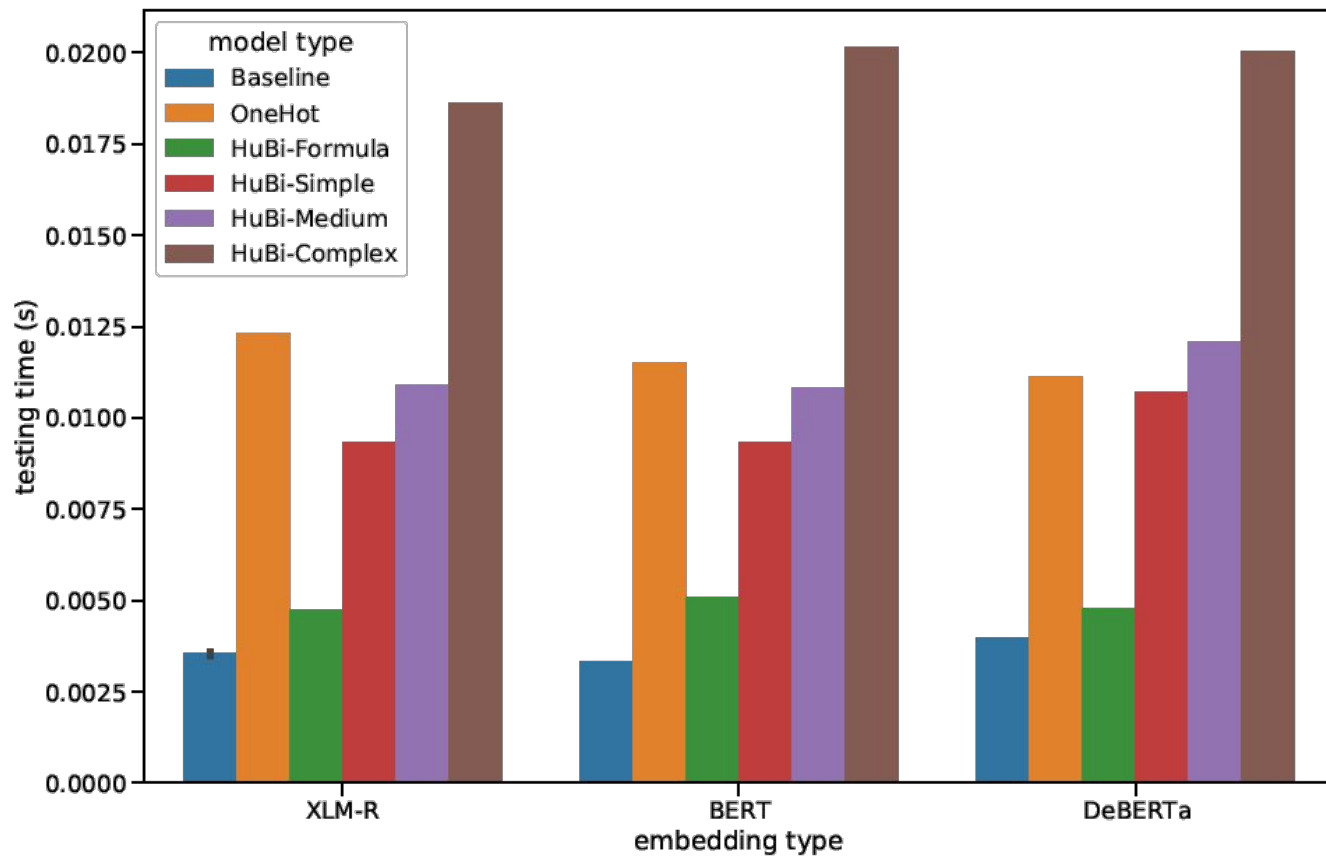


**Multivariate regression**

# TRAINING TIME: emotions



# TESTING TIME: emotions





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## CONCLUSIONS



## CONCLUSIONS #1



### PNLP vs. GNLN

Personalized methods **ALWAYS** perform better than the generalized ones



### Diversity

**Conformity, Controversy** and **Human Bias** deliver vital information about the user



### PNLP vs. language

Each PNLN method gains **much more than** language models



### Few docs is enough

**Even four** docs provide user information that improves reasoning (5-6 docs for emotional texts)



## CONCLUSIONS #2



### Validation

Train/dev/test split should be based on **users** instead of texts



### Application

Our PNLN methods can be applied to **any** subjective task



### Demographics

Demographic data only slightly improves reasoning



### Data

Human-centered annotations are crucial for personalised NLP



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Take-home message

***Personalized NLP  
is much better than  
generalized for all  
subjective tasks***





Thank you for your attention!

**Q & A**



**THE END**