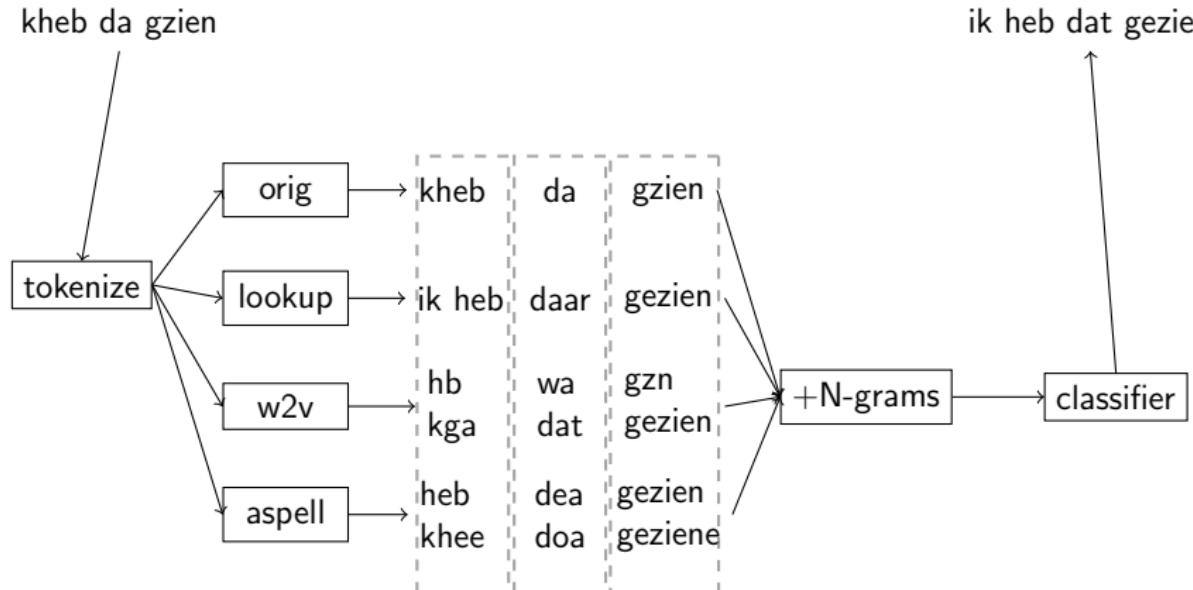


# Lexical Normalization for Neural Network Parsing

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# Last Year (CLIN27)



# This Year

- Use normalization to adapt neural network dependency parsers
- Evaluate the effect of normalization versus externally trained word embeddings and character level models
- See if we can exploit top-n candidates
- New treebank to evaluate domain adaptation

# New Treebank

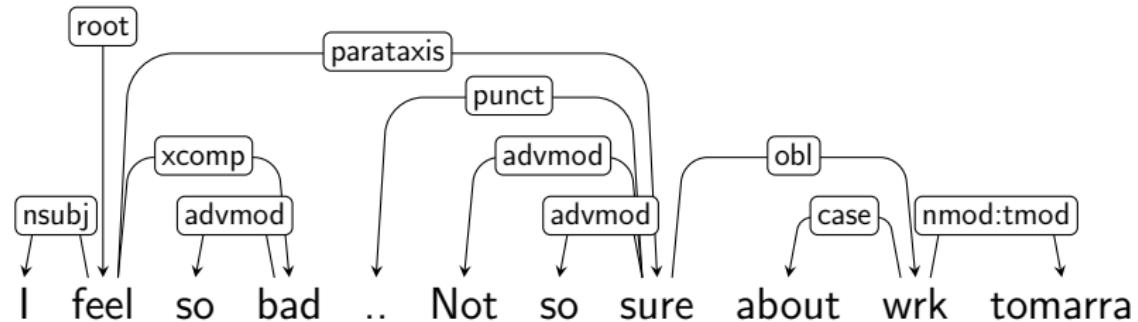
Why?

- Manually corrected train data
- Gold normalization available
- Data should be non-canonical
- UD format

# New Treebank

- Pre-filtered to contain non-standard words
- Data from Li and Liu (2015): Owoputi and LexNorm
- 600 Tweets / 10,000 words
- UD2.1 format

# New Treebank



# New Treebank

Experimental setup:

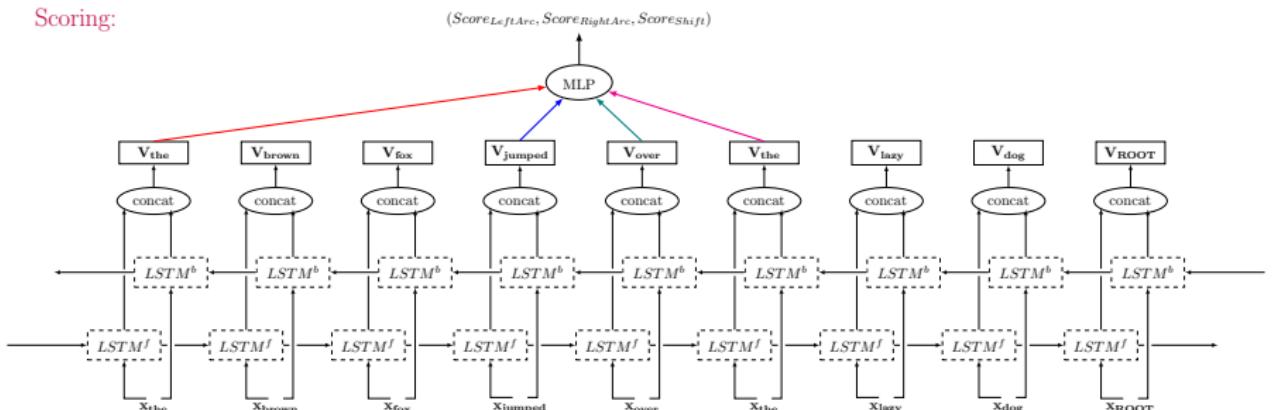
- Train: English Web Treebank
- Dev: Owoputi
- Test: Lexnorm

# Neural Network parser

Configuration:



Scoring:



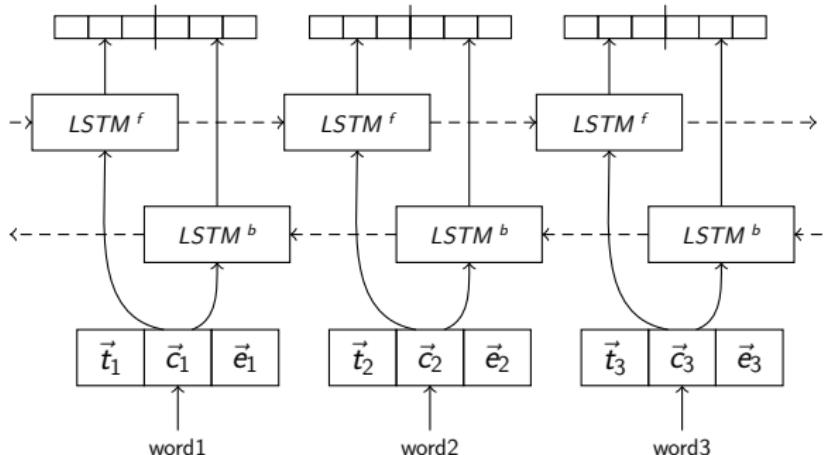
Taken from Kiperwasser and Goldberg (2016)

# Neural Network parser

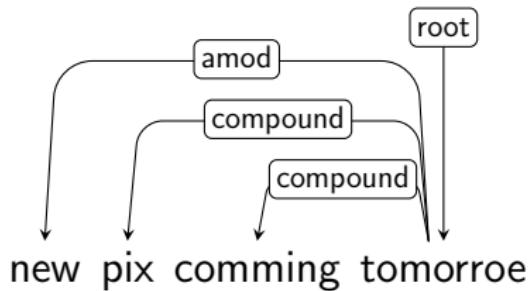
UUparser (de Lhoneux et al., 2017)

- Performs well
- Relatively easy to adapt
- No POS tags
- Characters + external embeddings

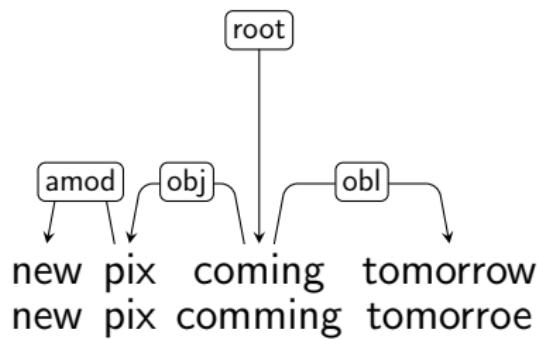
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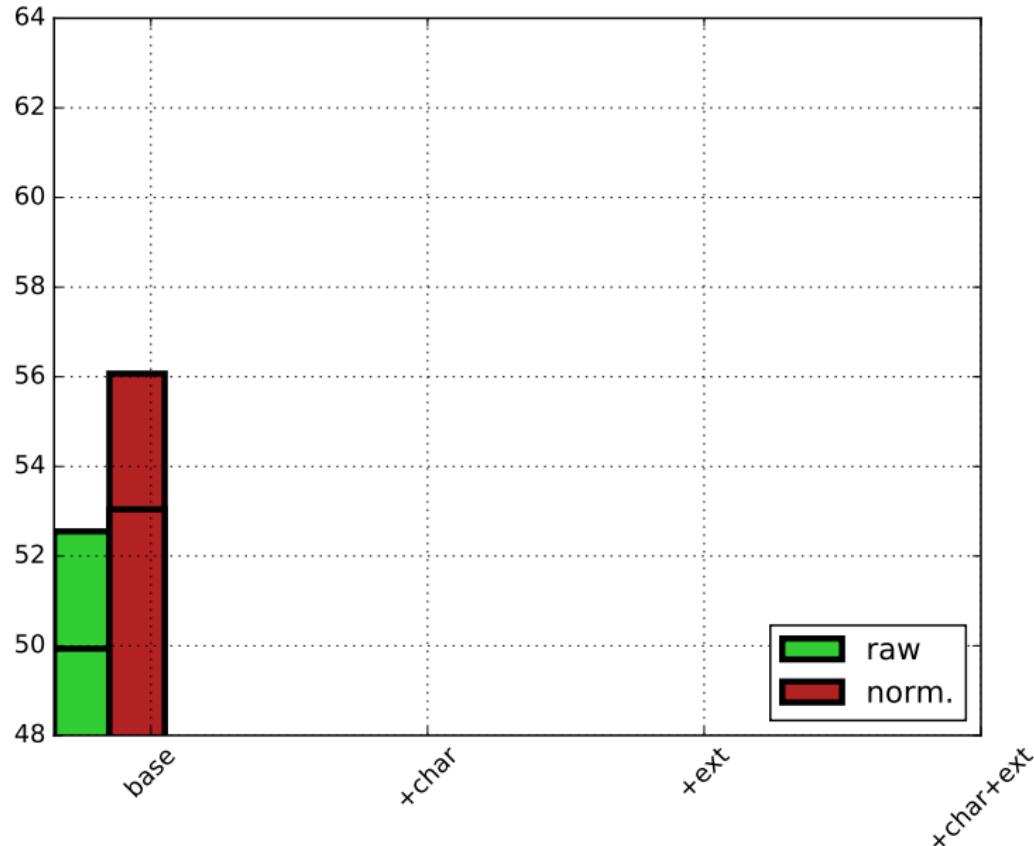
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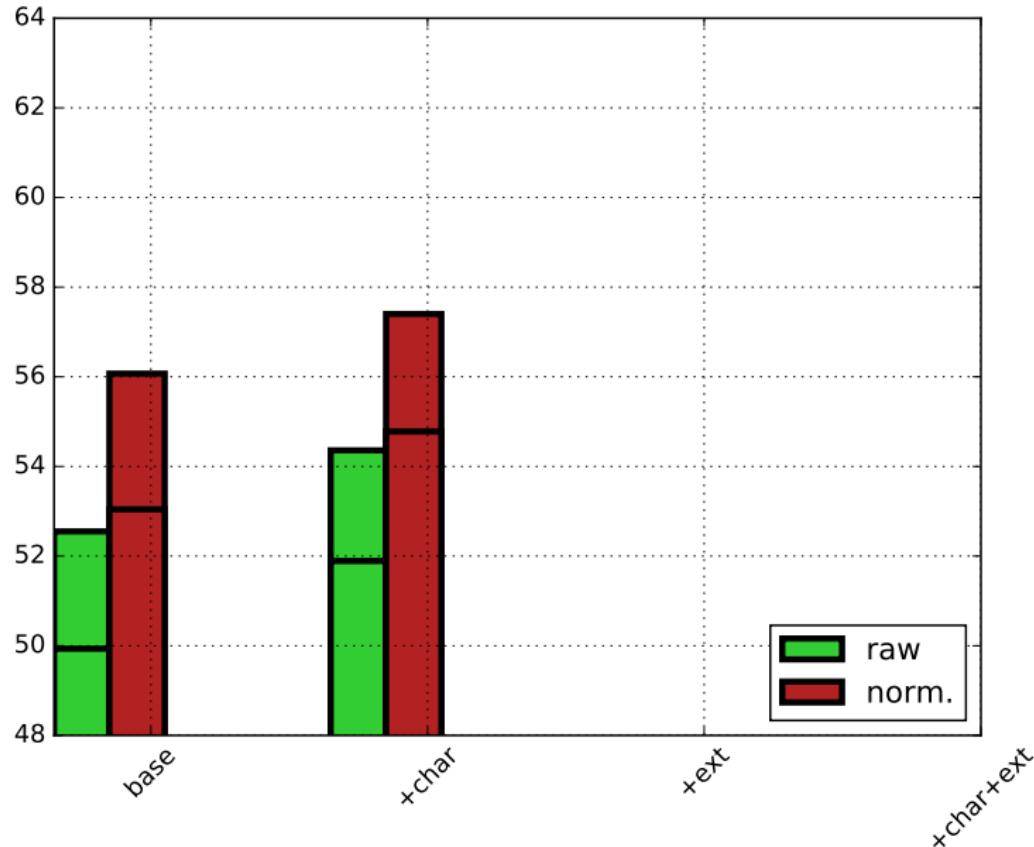
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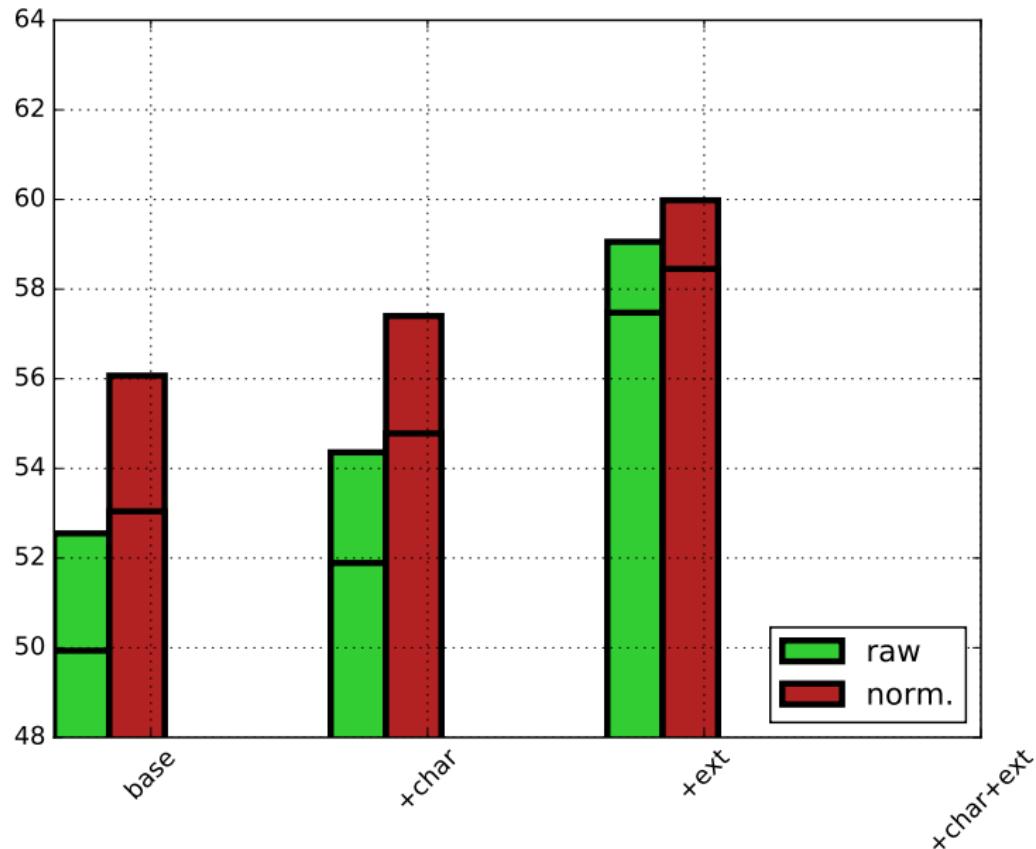
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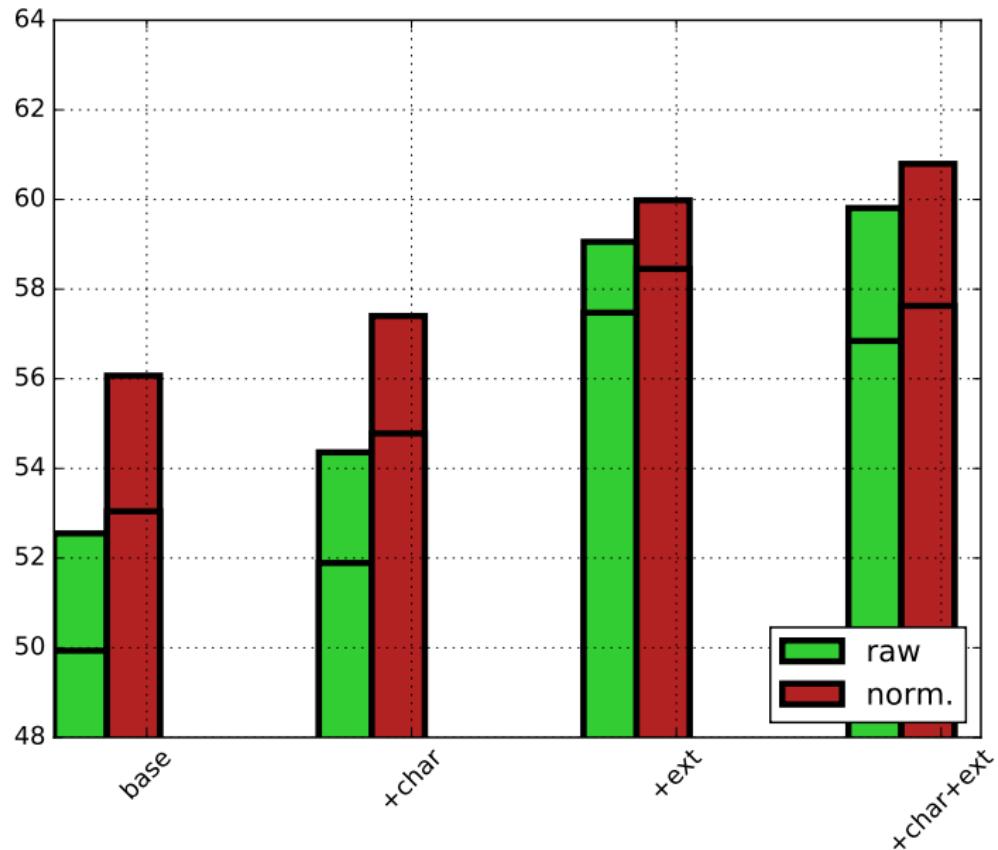
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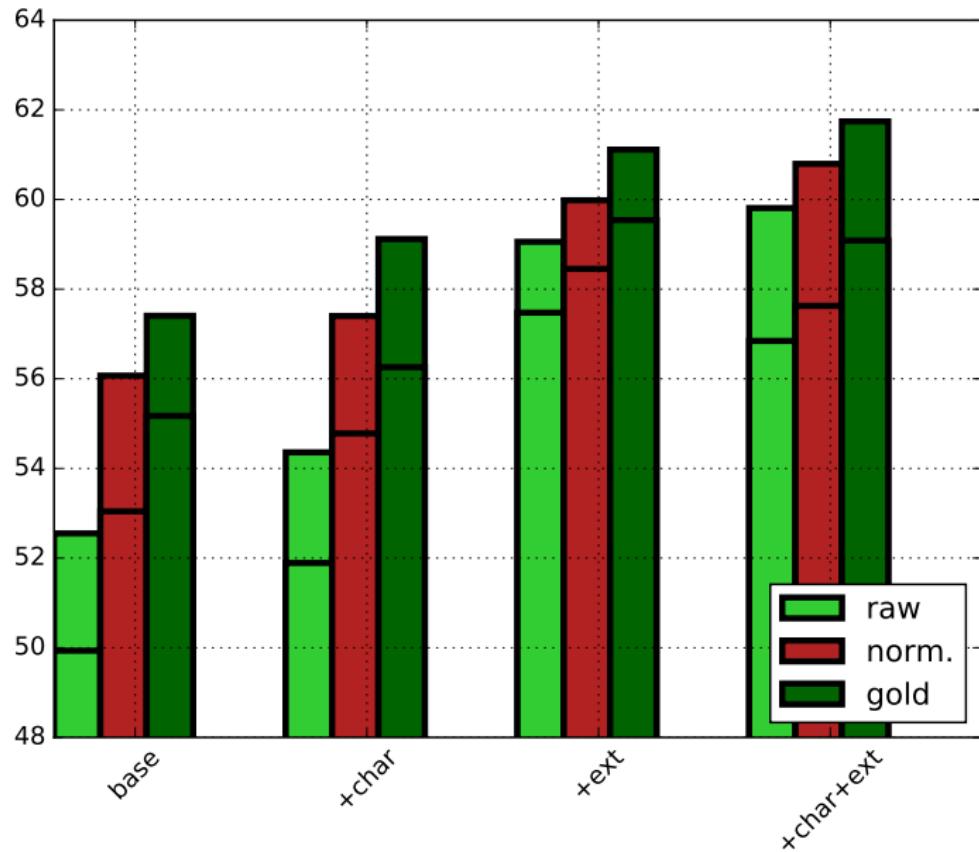
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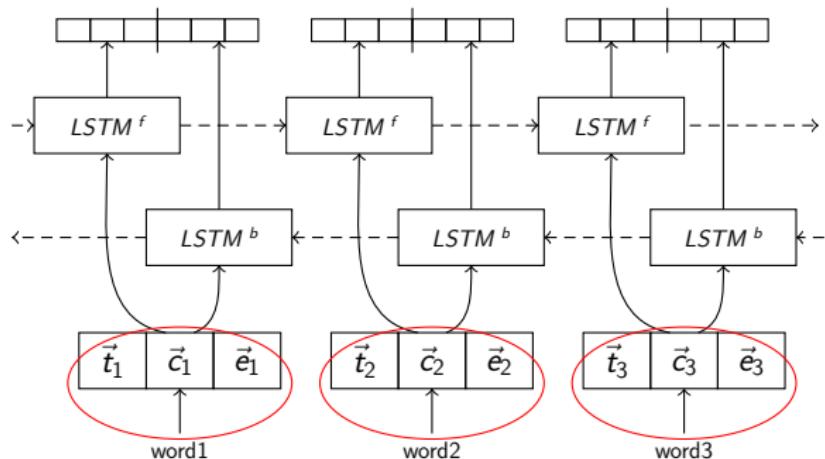
# Integrate Normalization

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new	pix	comming	tomoroe
new	0.9466	pix	0.7944
news	0.0315	selfies	0.0882
knew	0.0111	pictures	0.0559
now	0.0063	photos	0.0449
newt	0.0045	pic	0.0165
		coming	0.5684
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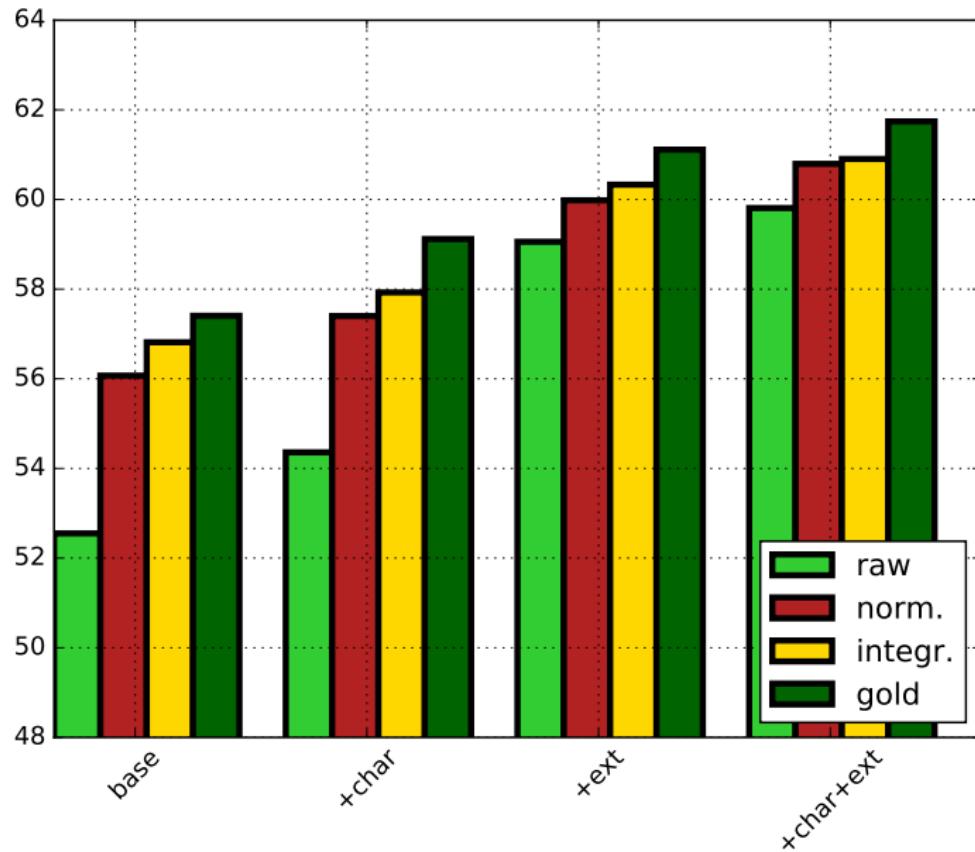
# Integrate Normalization

$$\vec{w}_i = \sum_{j=0}^n P_{ij} * \vec{n}_{ij}$$

## Integrate Normalization

$$\vec{w}_1 = (\vec{new} * 0.9466) + (\vec{news} * 0.0315) + (\vec{knew} * 0.0111) + (\vec{now} * 0.0063) + (\vec{newt} * 0.0045)$$

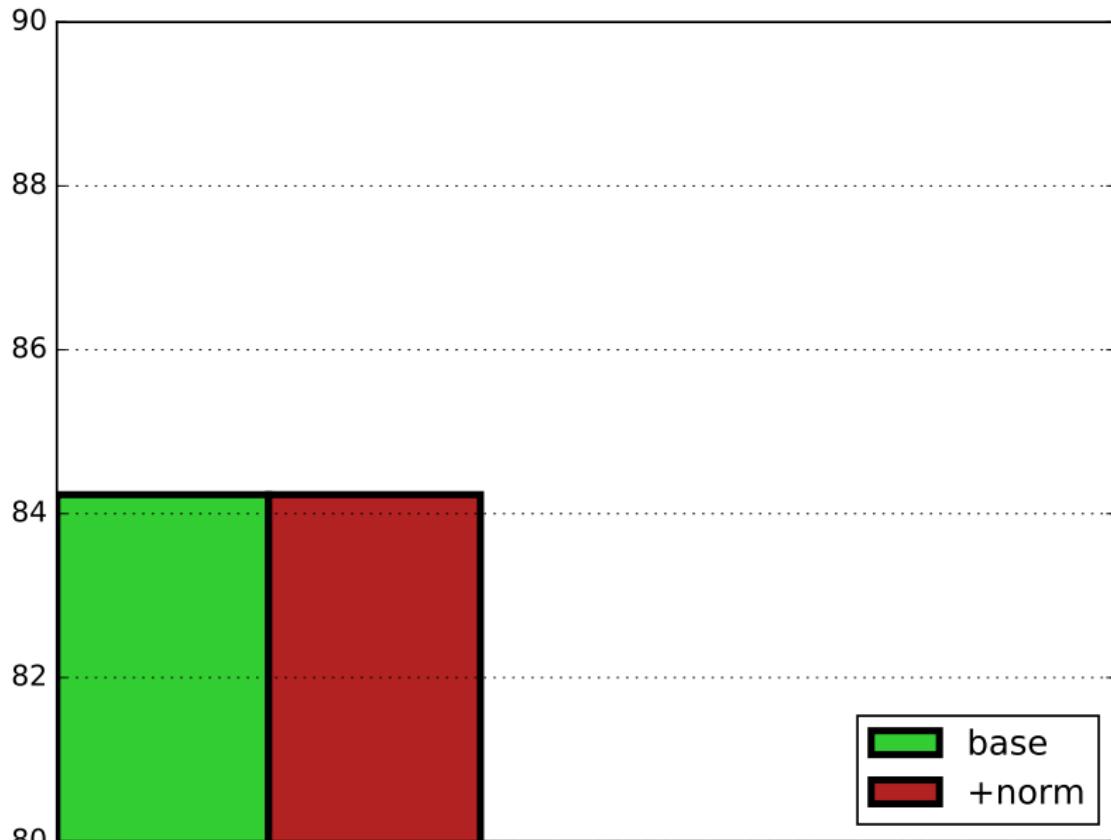
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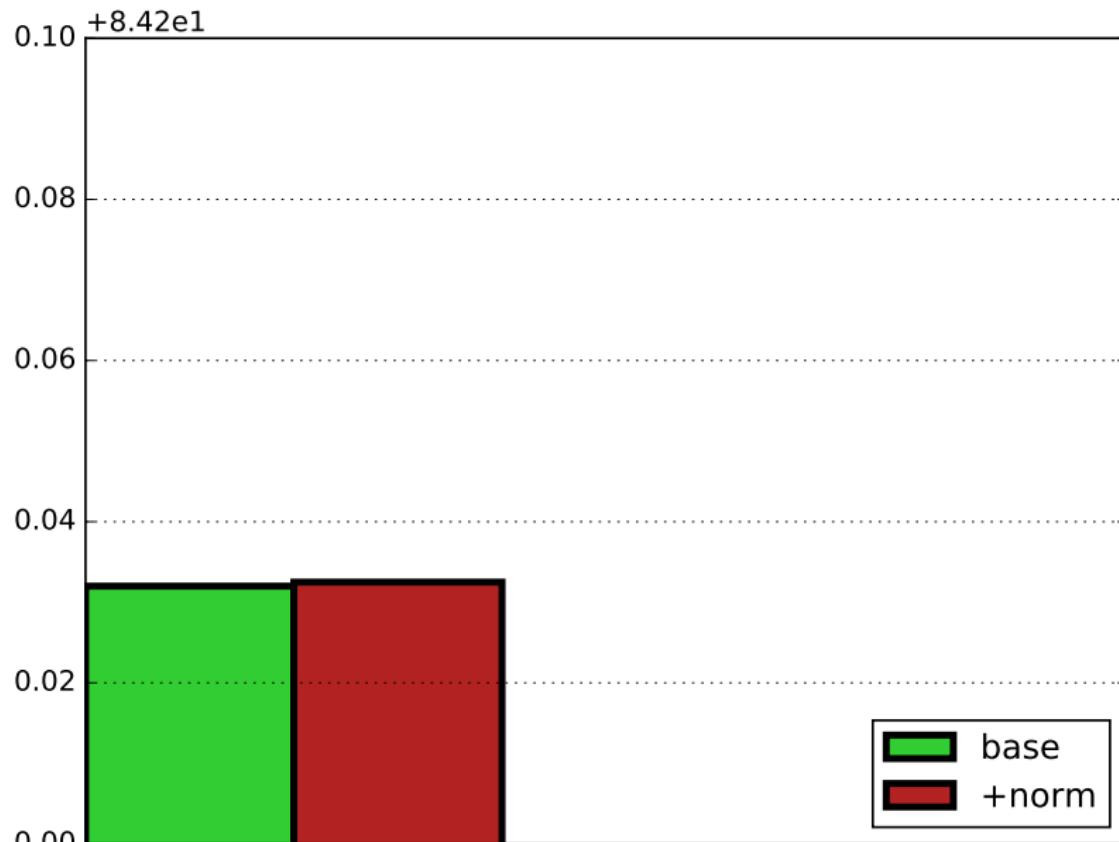
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But what about in-domain performance?

# Integrate Normalization



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Test data:

Model	UAS	LAS
raw	70.47	60.16
normalization-		
direct	71.03*	61.83*
integrated	71.15	62.30*
gold	71.45	63.16*

Table: \*indicates statistical significance compared to previous entry.

# Integrate Normalization

Conclusions:

- Normalization is still helpful on top of character and external embeddings
- Integrating normalization leads to a small but consistent/significant improvement
- Performance +-60% from using gold normalization
- New dataset will be made available, provides a nice benchmark for domain adaptation

## Next CLIN

- Effect of different categories of normalization replacements
- Get closer to gold normalization

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# Integrate Normalization

- Foster: not noisy, constituency
- Denoised Web Treebank: no train
- Tweebank: no train
- Foreebank: not noisy