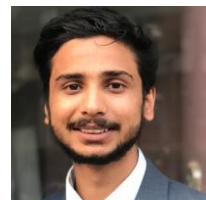


TuneVLSeg: Prompt Tuning Benchmark for Vision-Language Segmentation Models

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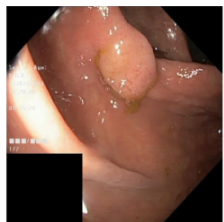
- Crucial for diagnosis, prognosis and surgery planning
- Recent segmentation models:
 - Excellent performance on curated datasets
 - Lack generalization across image modalities and datasets
 - Requires retraining when new classes are introduced



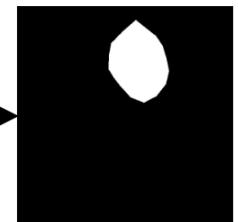
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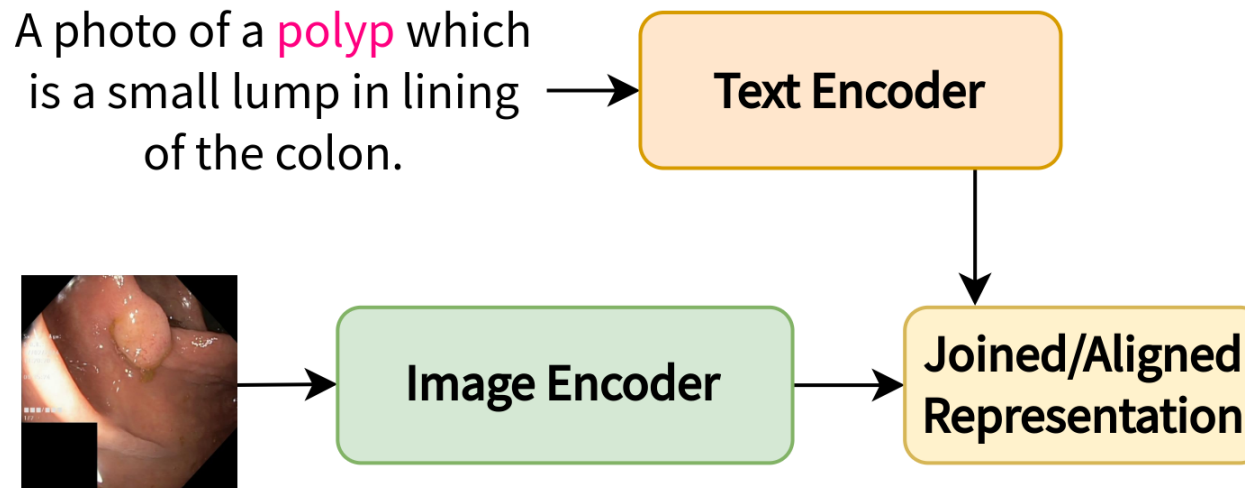
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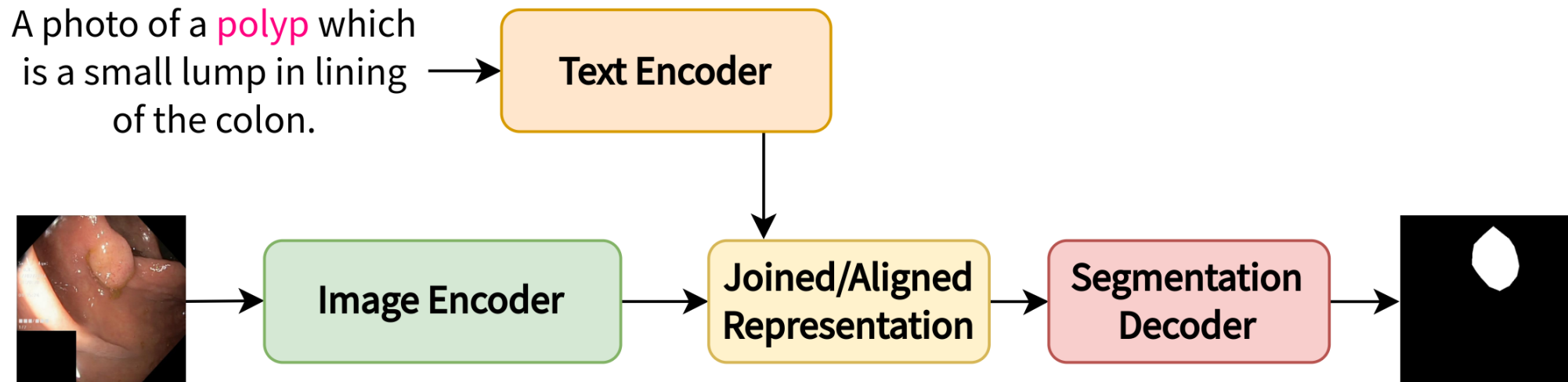
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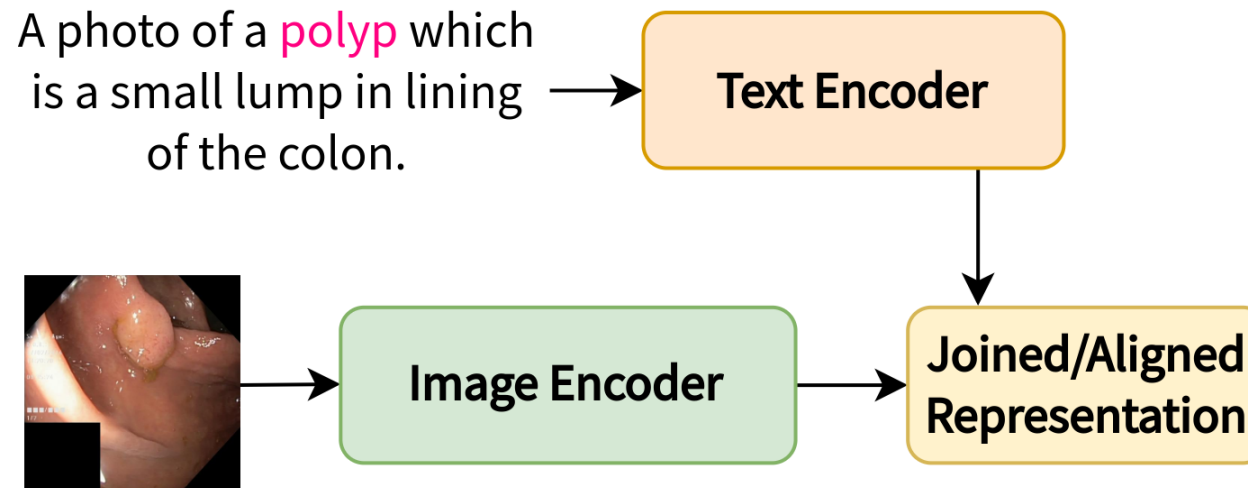
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Foundational VLMs

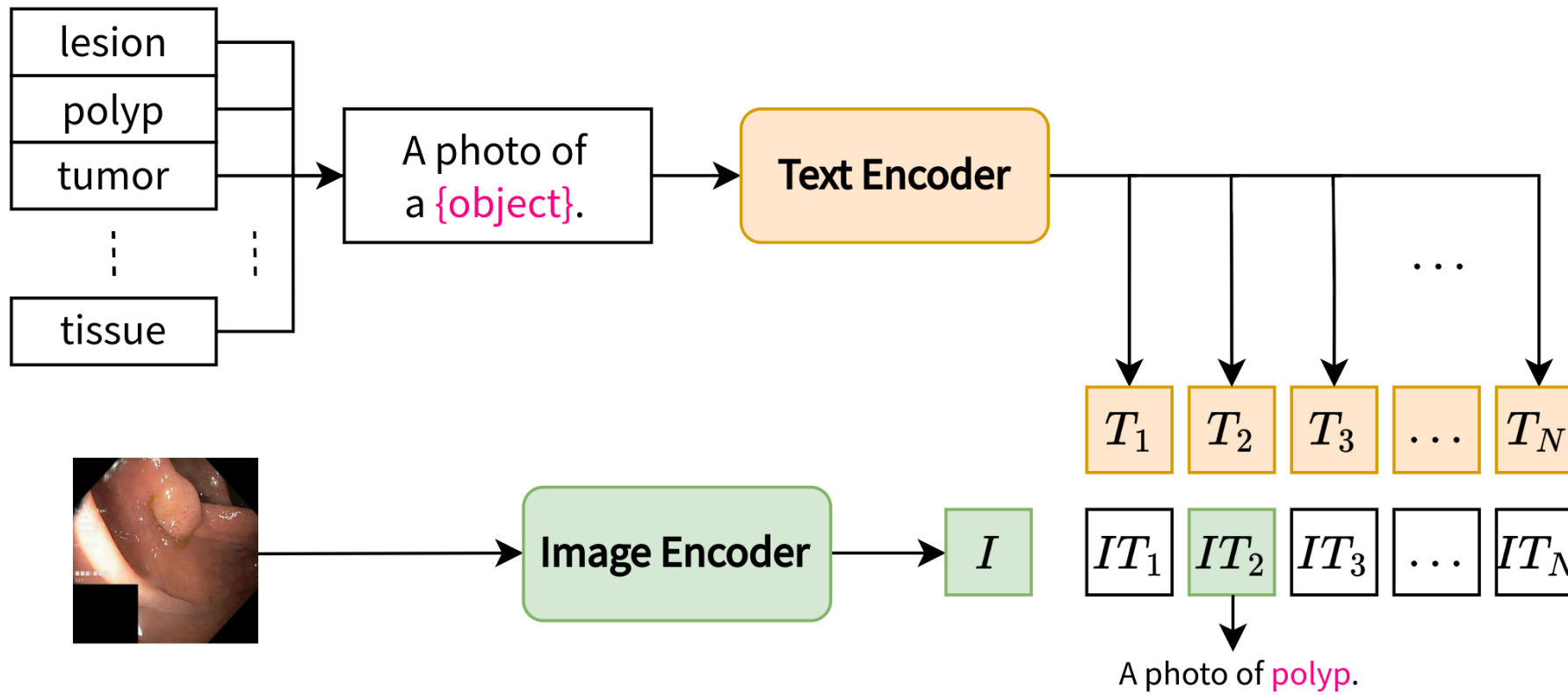
- Large scale pretraining to align text and image representations
- Millions of image-text pairs

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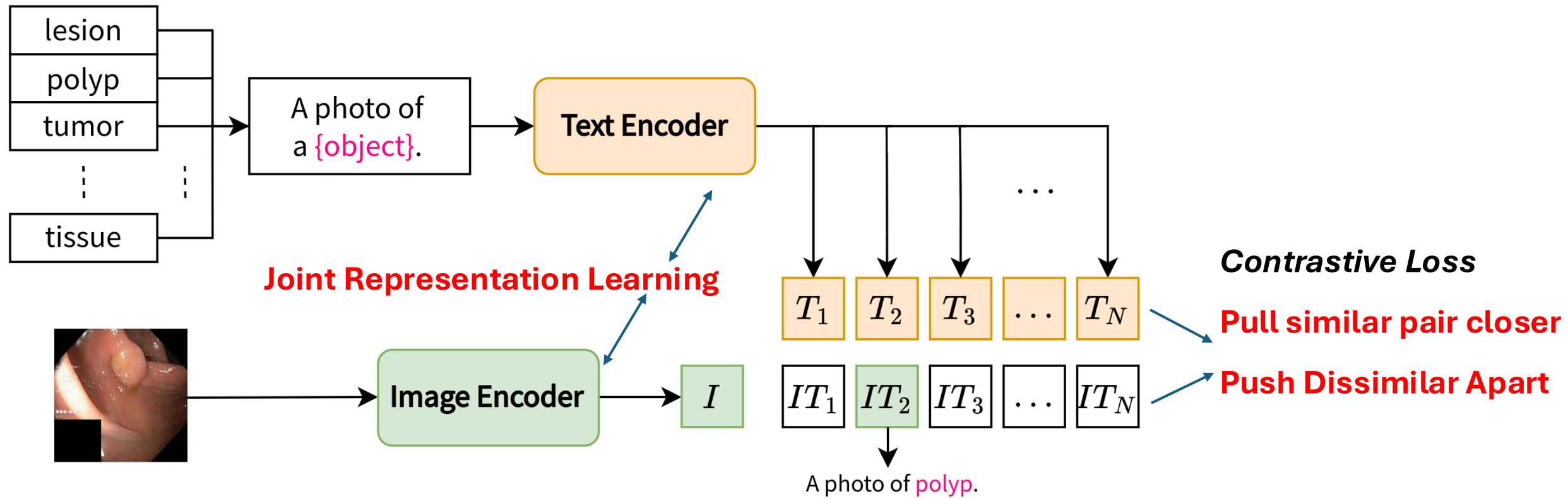
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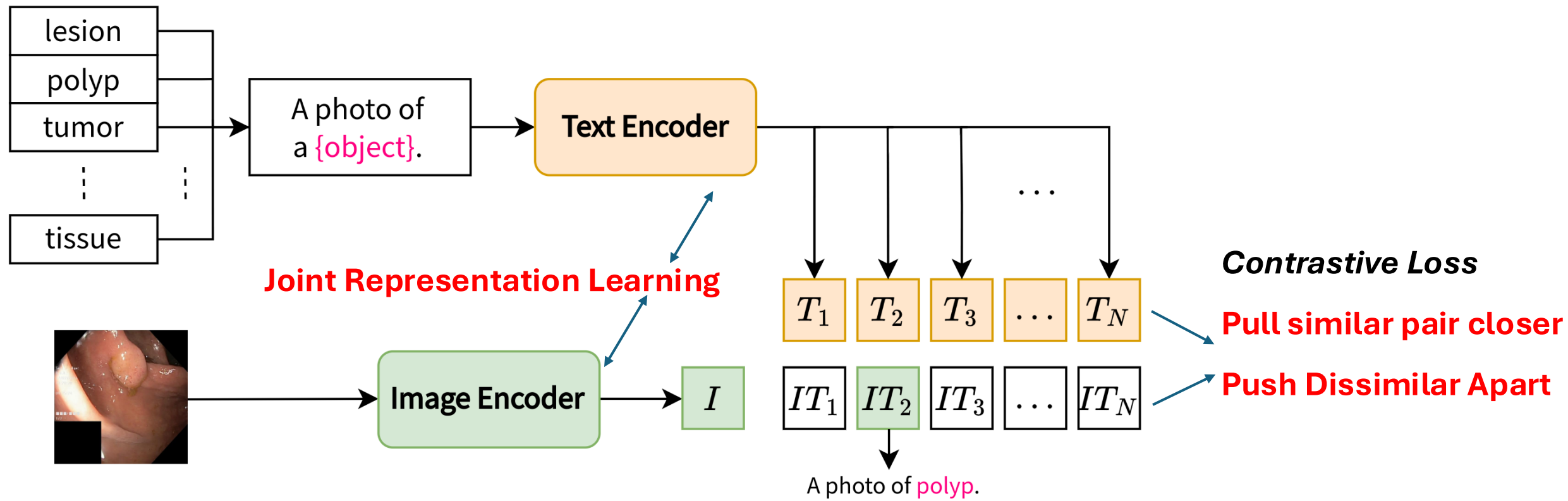
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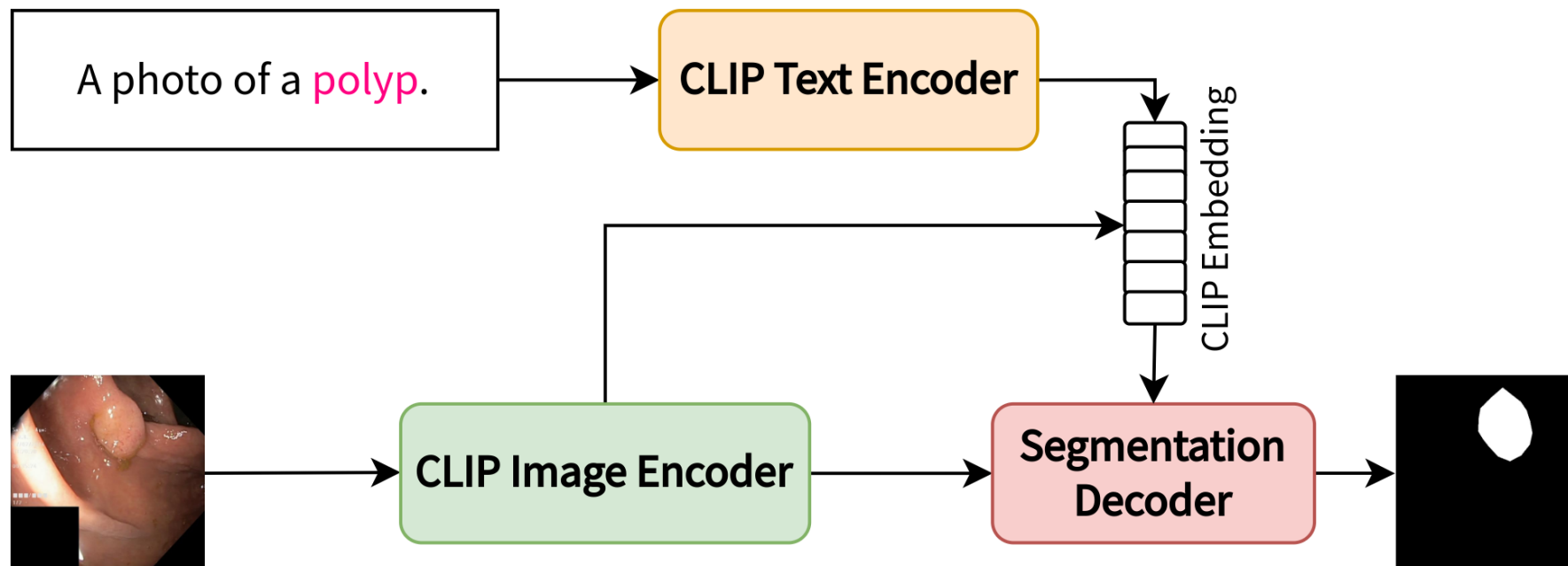
Reusing the encoders that have learnt powerful representations for building VLSMs



Foundational VLSM: CLIPSeg

- Trained on PhraseCut Dataset with 340,000 image-text pairs
- Excellent zero-shot and few-shot performance on natural image segmentation
 - Due to the *prompts*

Both encoders are Transformer models

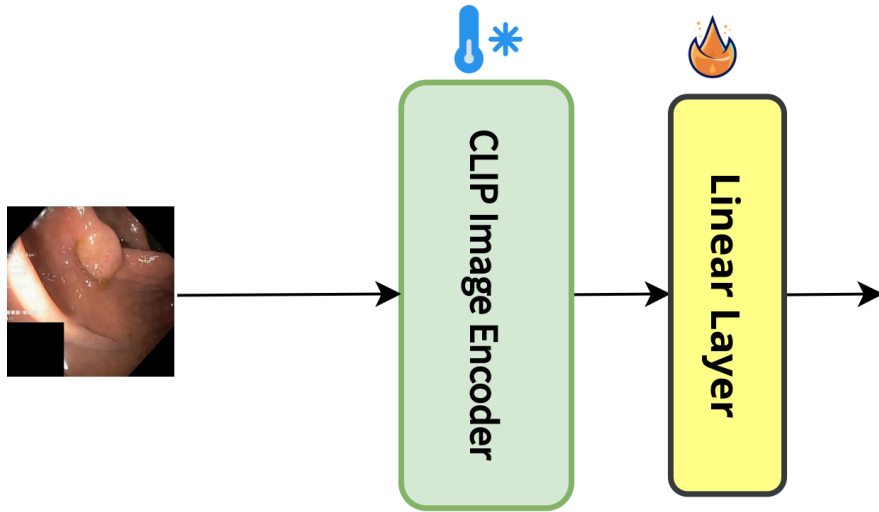


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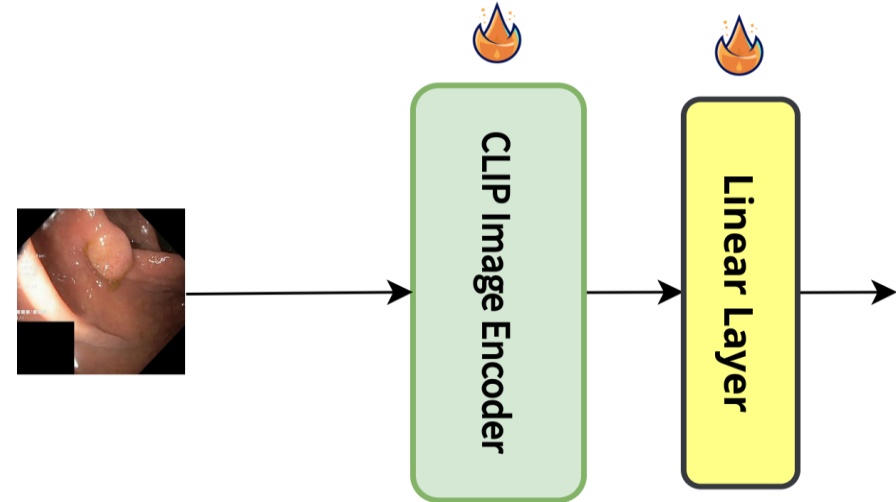
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Adapting foundational VLMs for medical images

- Scarce labeled medical datasets
- Massive scale of models
- Finetuning these models is infeasible for medical images



(i) Linear Probing



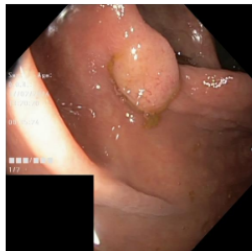
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Prompt Engineering

Try out multiple text prompts

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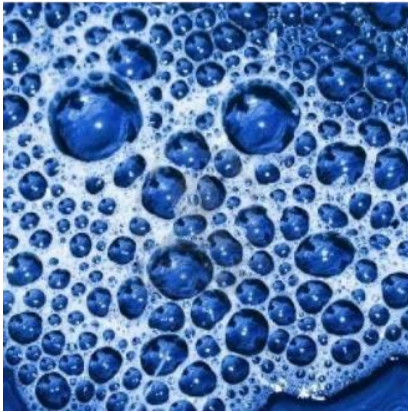
Text Encoder

Image Encoder

Joined/Aligned
Representation

Prompt Engineering in VLMs improves performance

Describable Textures (DTD)



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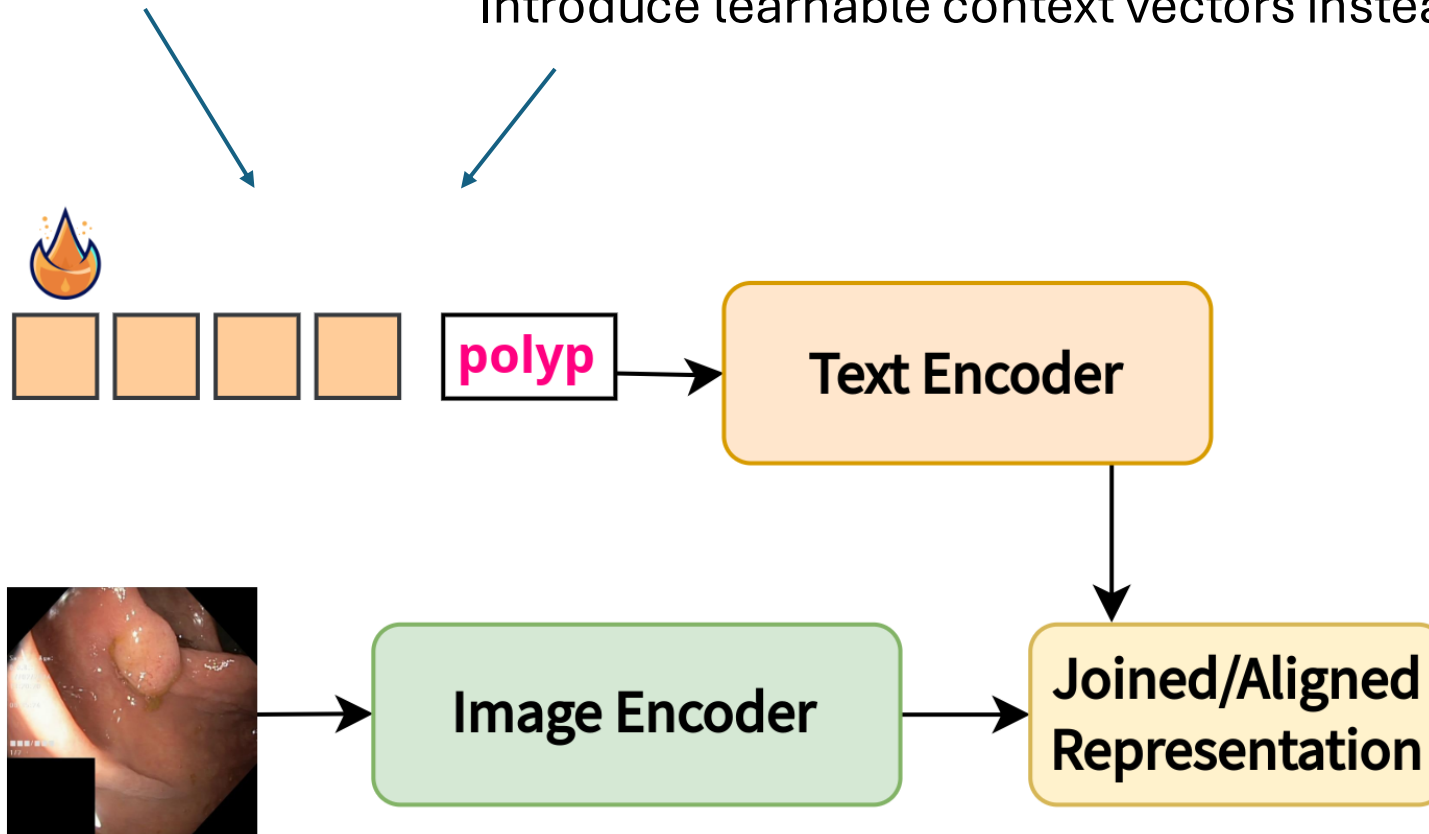
Different prompts perform differently due to inherent bias in dataset

It is hard to find the right set of prompts

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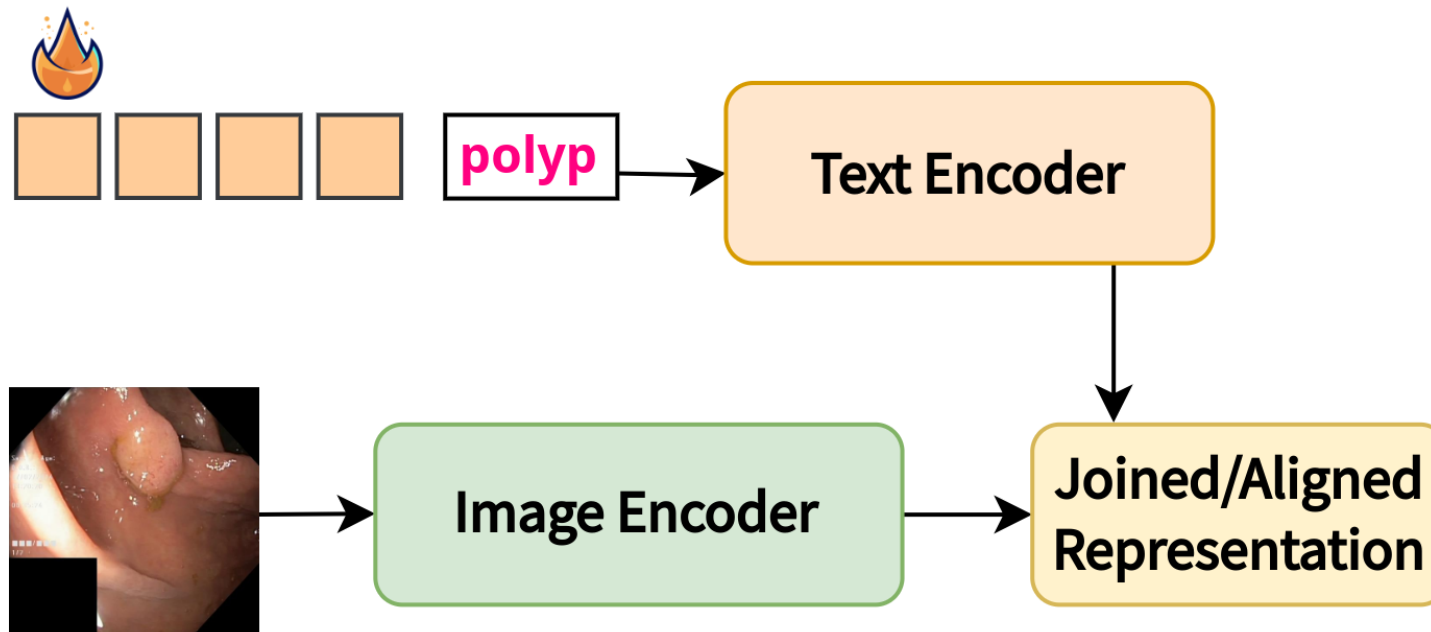
Prompt Tuning

Introduce learnable context vectors instead of text prompts

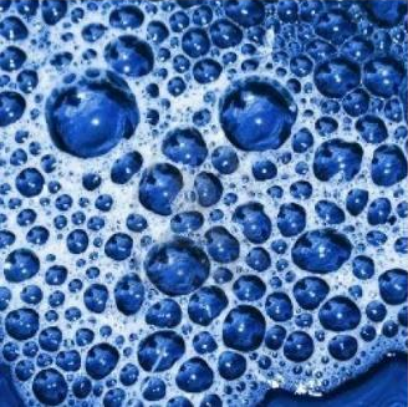



Prompt Tuning

- Adapts VLMs to new datasets by updating only the context vectors
- Automatically *learns* prompts for downstream tasks



Prompt Tuning in VLMs gives excellent performance

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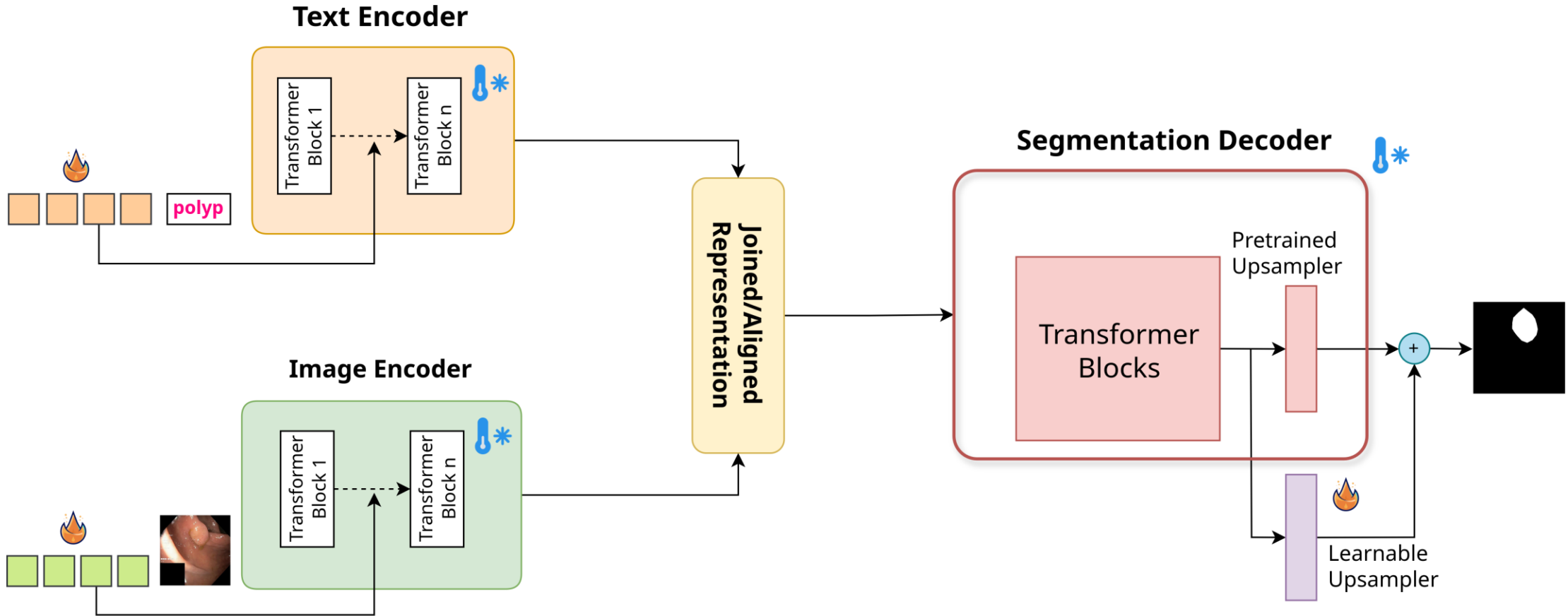
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Significant performance improvement

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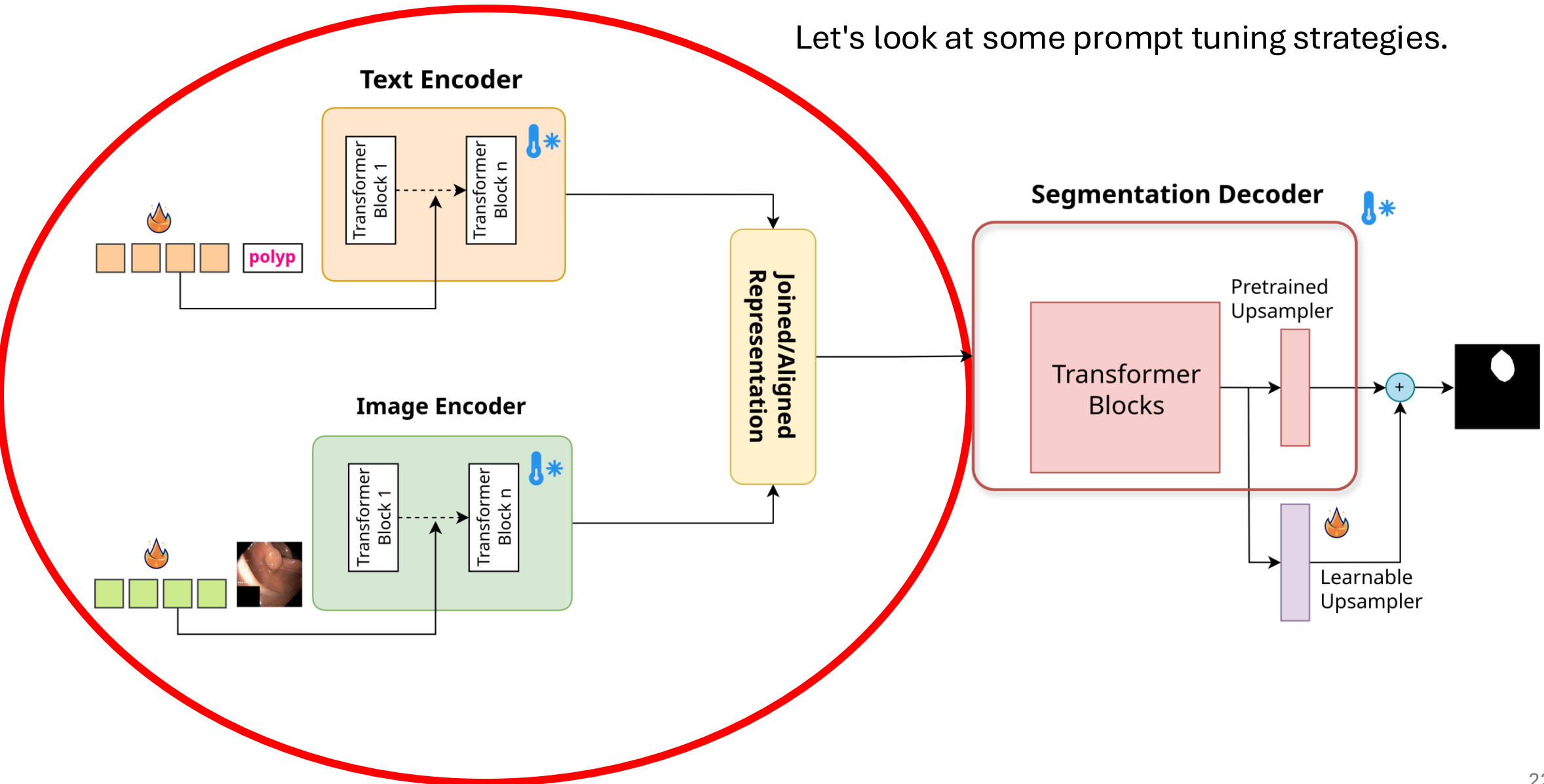
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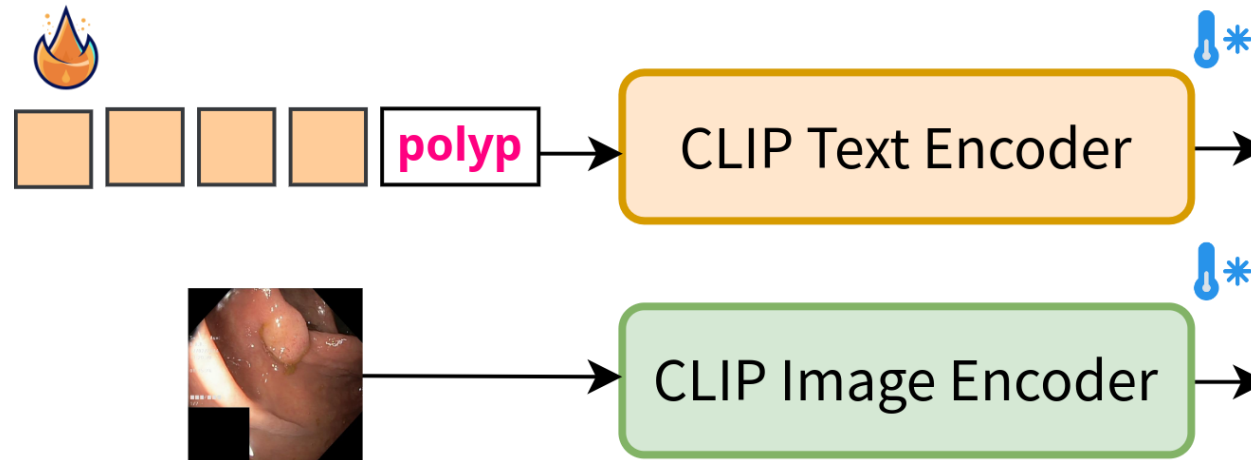
Let's look at some prompt tuning strategies.



Prompt Tuning Strategies: Unimodal

Introducing the context vectors at text branch

One set of vectors for the whole dataset or class

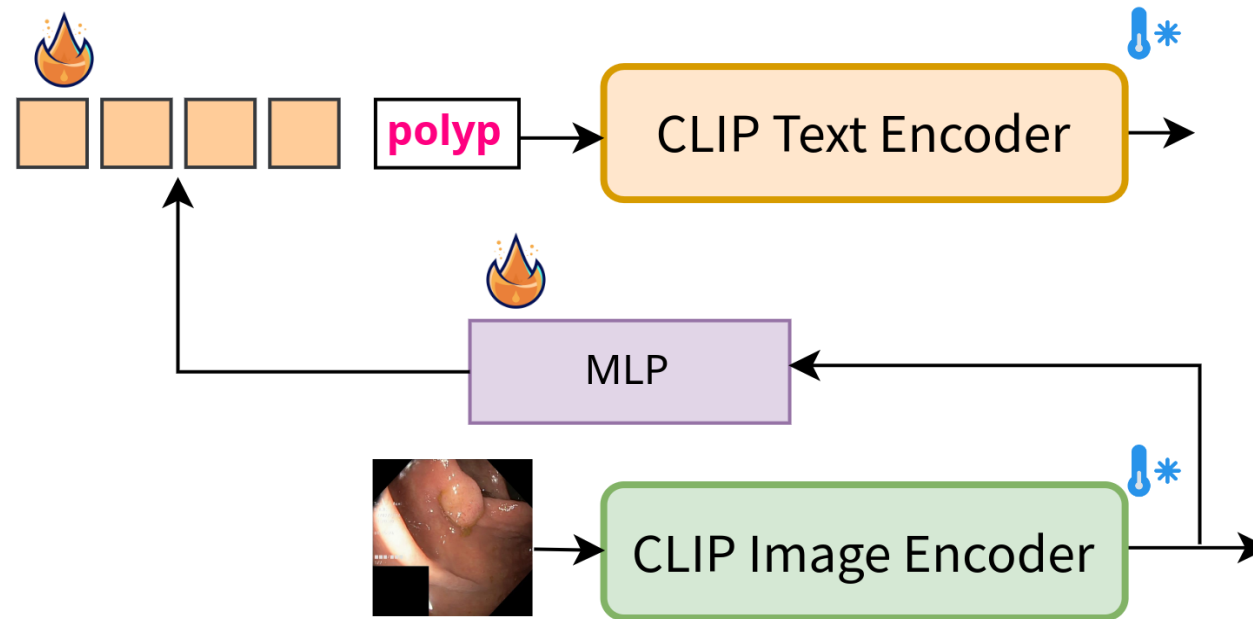


Context Optimization (CoOp)

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Image instance conditions the text context vectors

Different prompt vectors for each instance

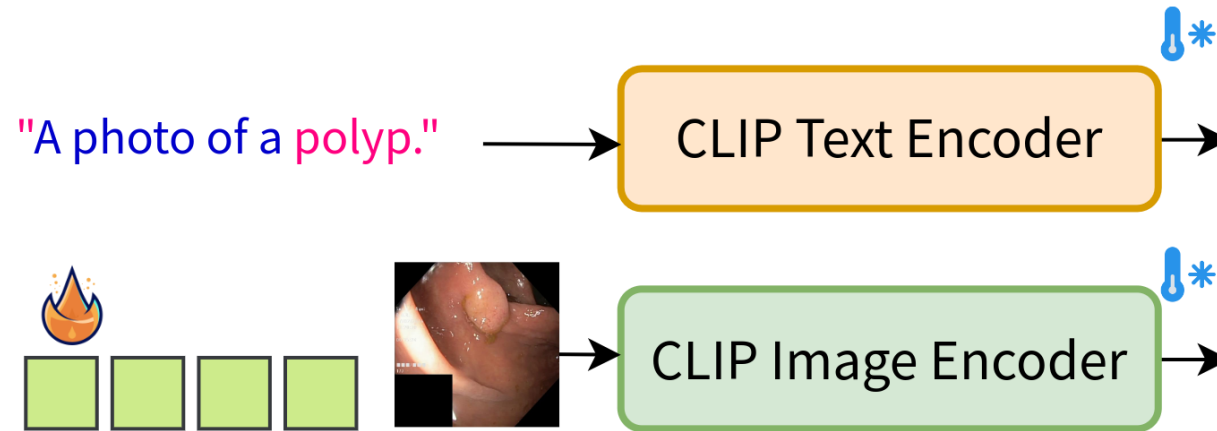


Conditional Context Optimization (CoCoOp)

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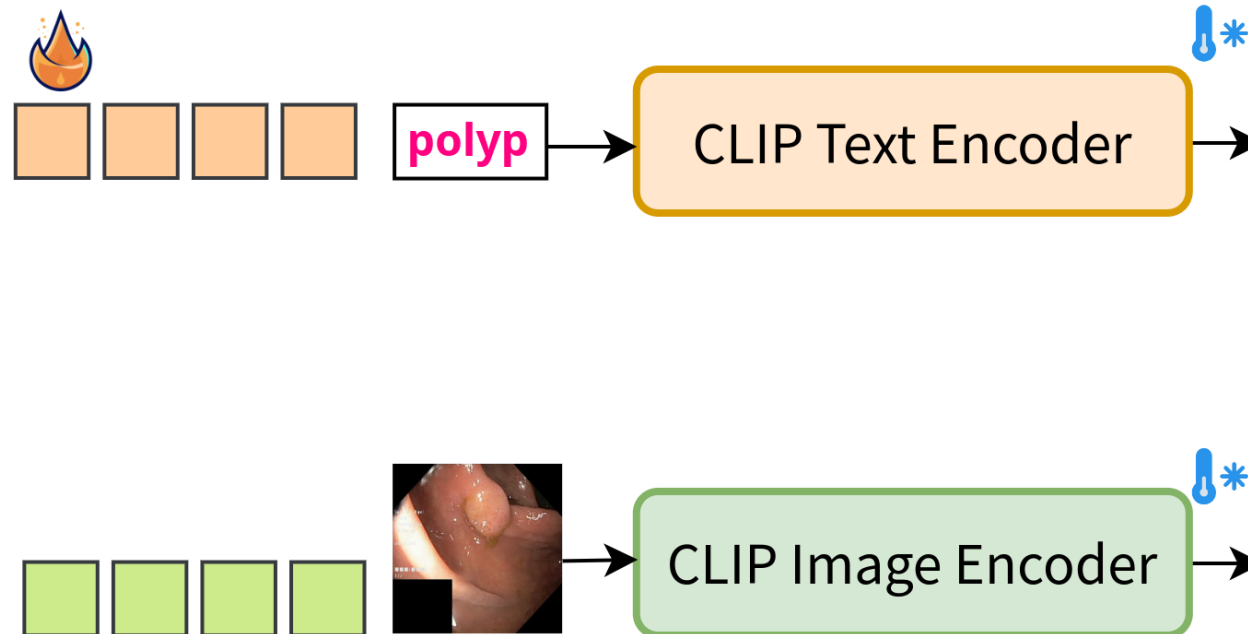
Works for transformer models.



Visual Prompt Tuning (VPT)

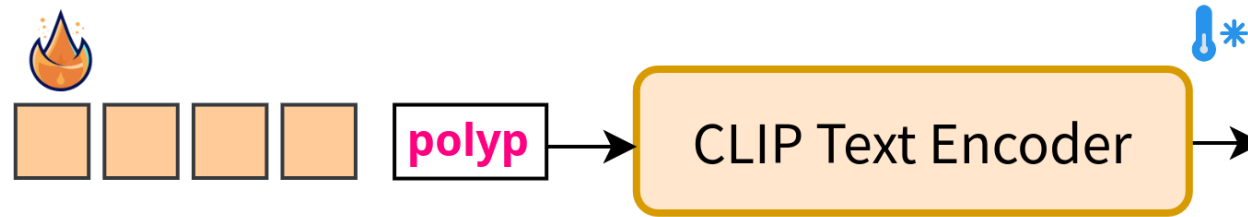
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Introducing the context vectors at both at text and vision branch

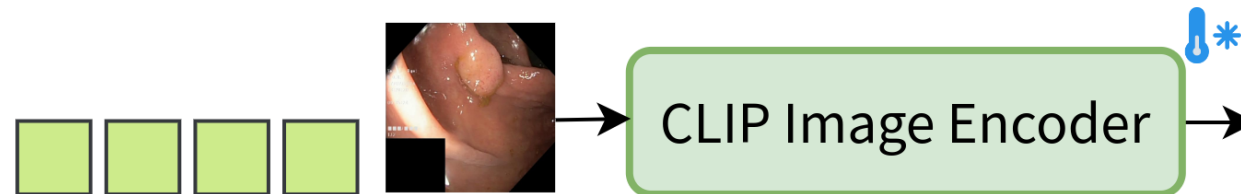


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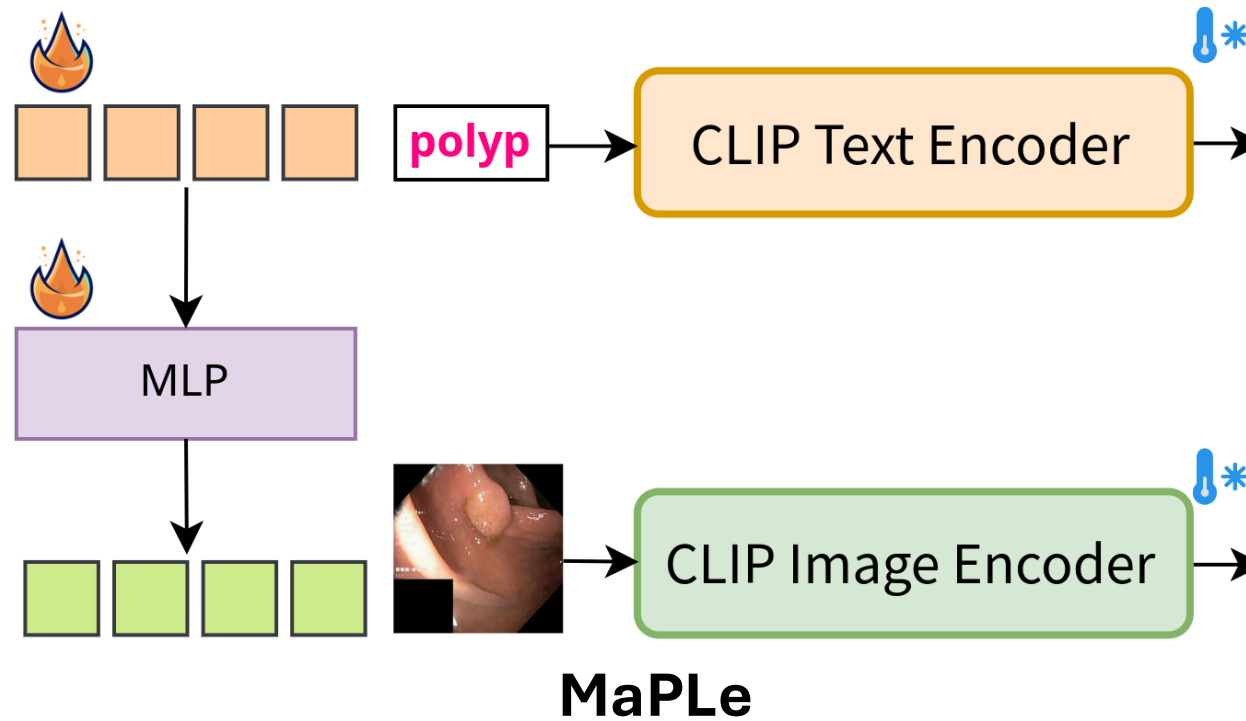
No interaction between text and image ----> **Suboptimal performance**



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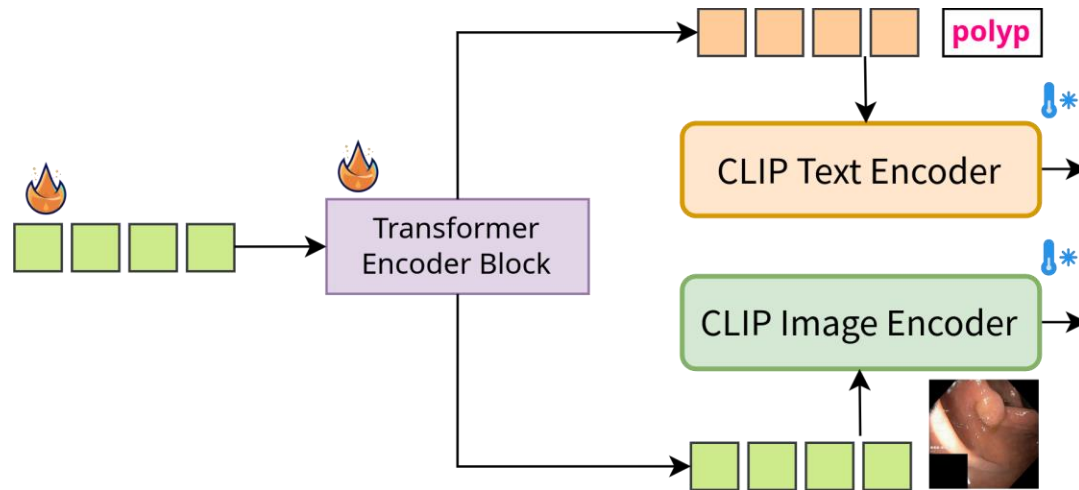
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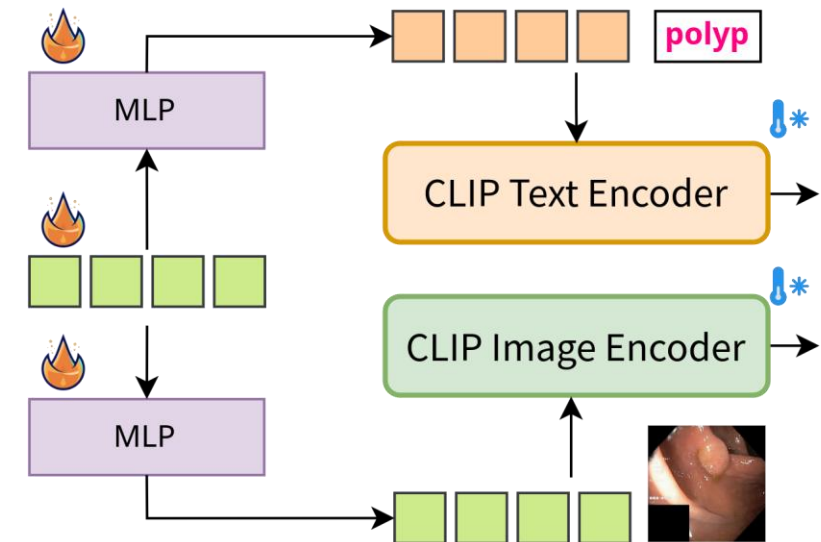
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Prompts are initialized in shared embedding space



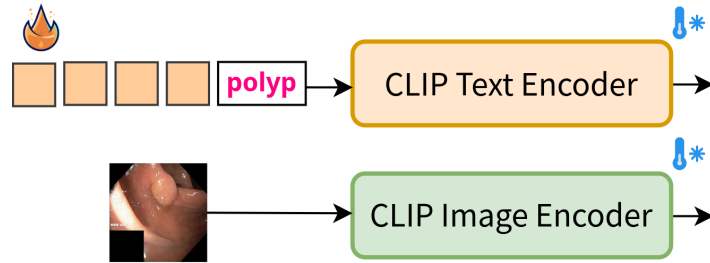
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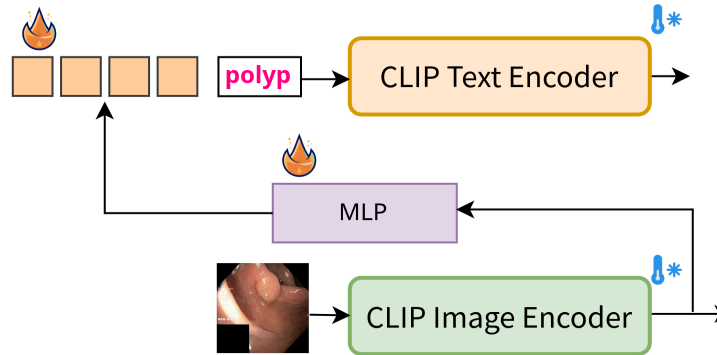
Shared Separate

Unified Prompts

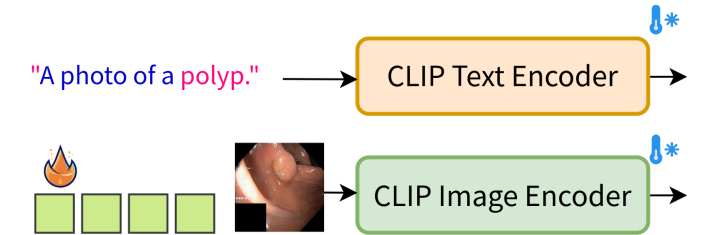
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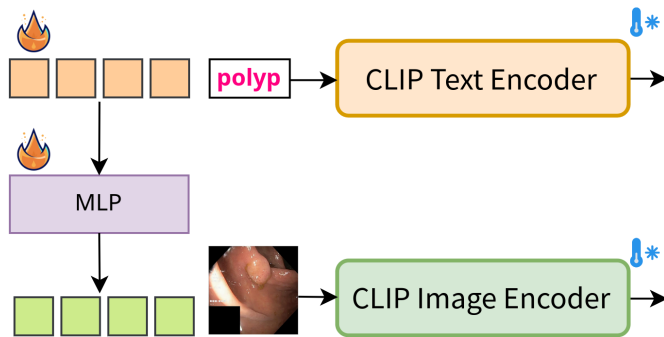
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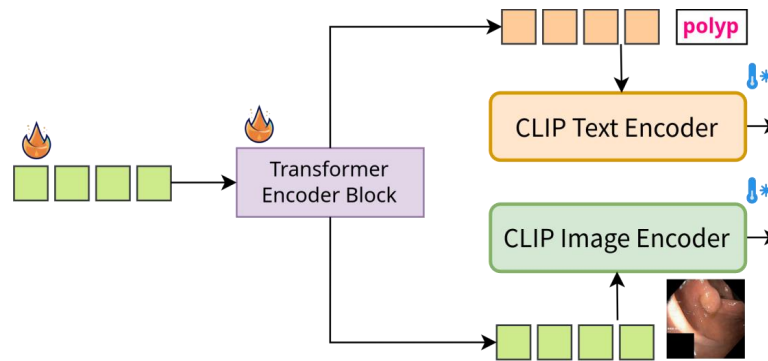
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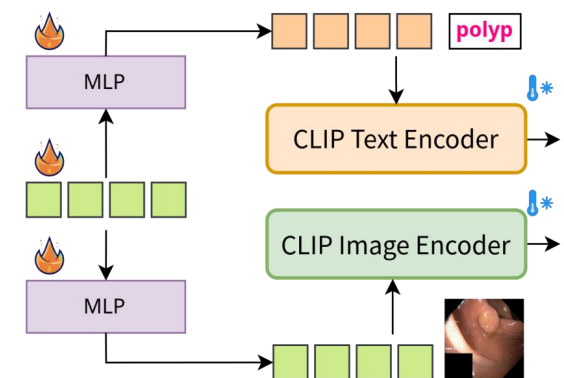
VPT



MaPLe

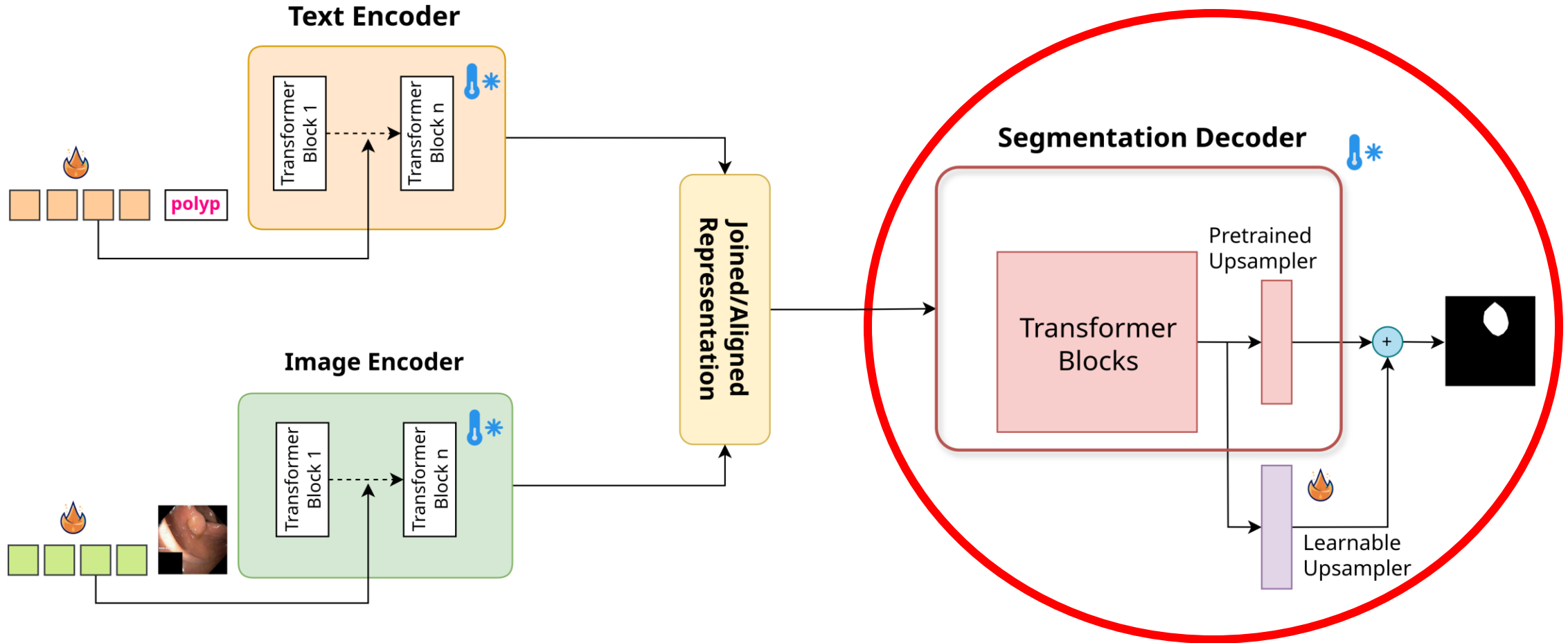


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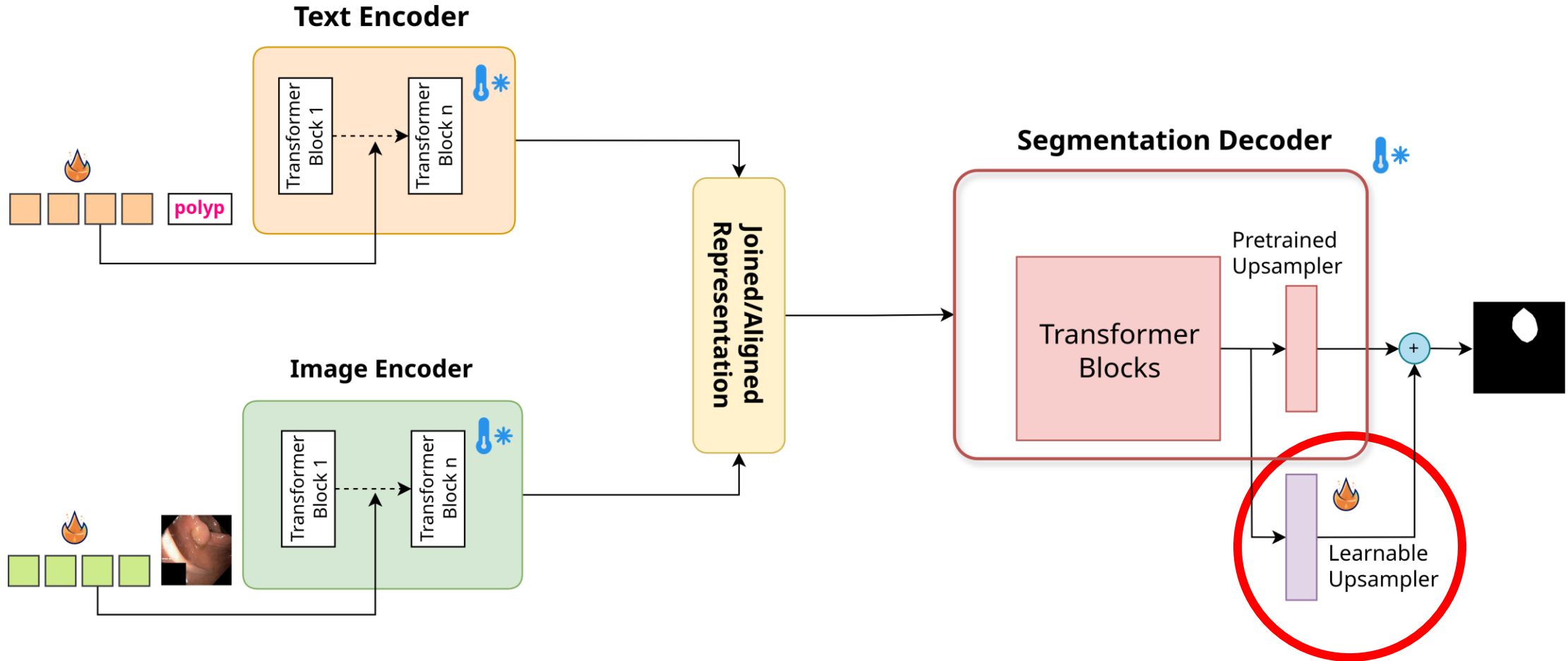


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A closer look at Prompt Tuning in VLSMs



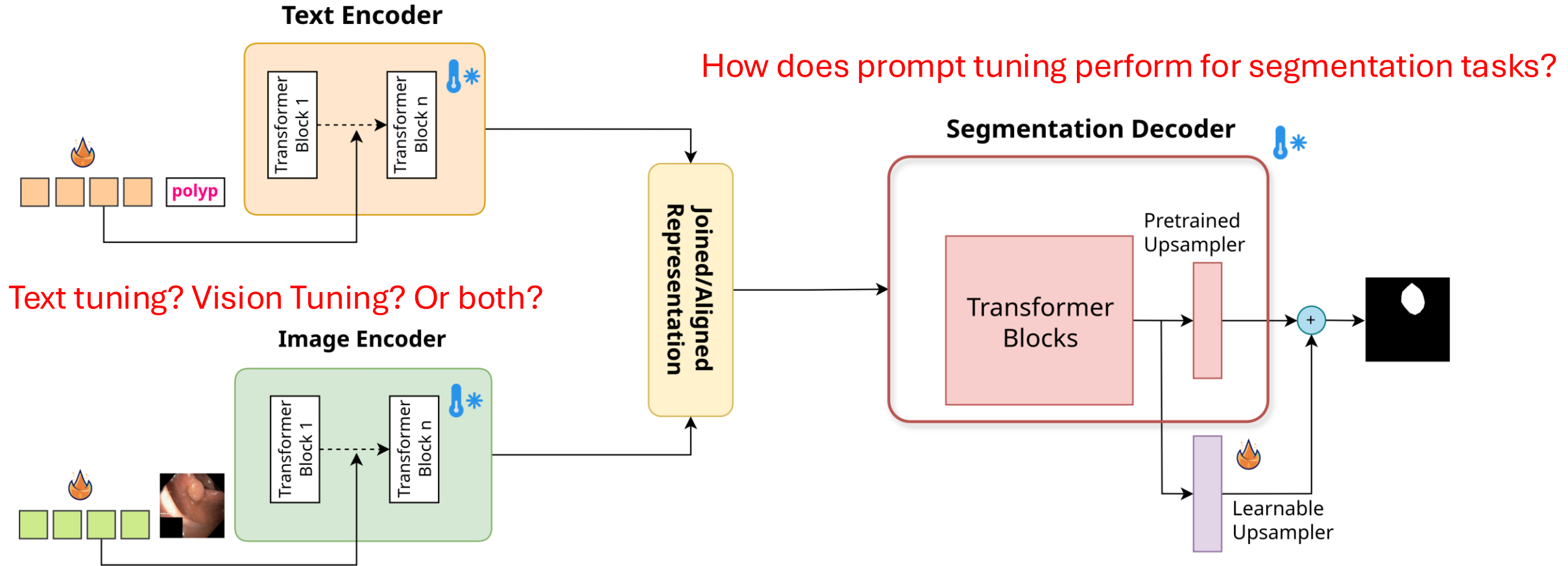
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We added this to see if it makes a difference in segmentation performance.

This is inspired by VPT, which shows good performance when final layer is trained. 32

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What should be the prompt depth?

What if the dataset is completely different from pretraining dataset?

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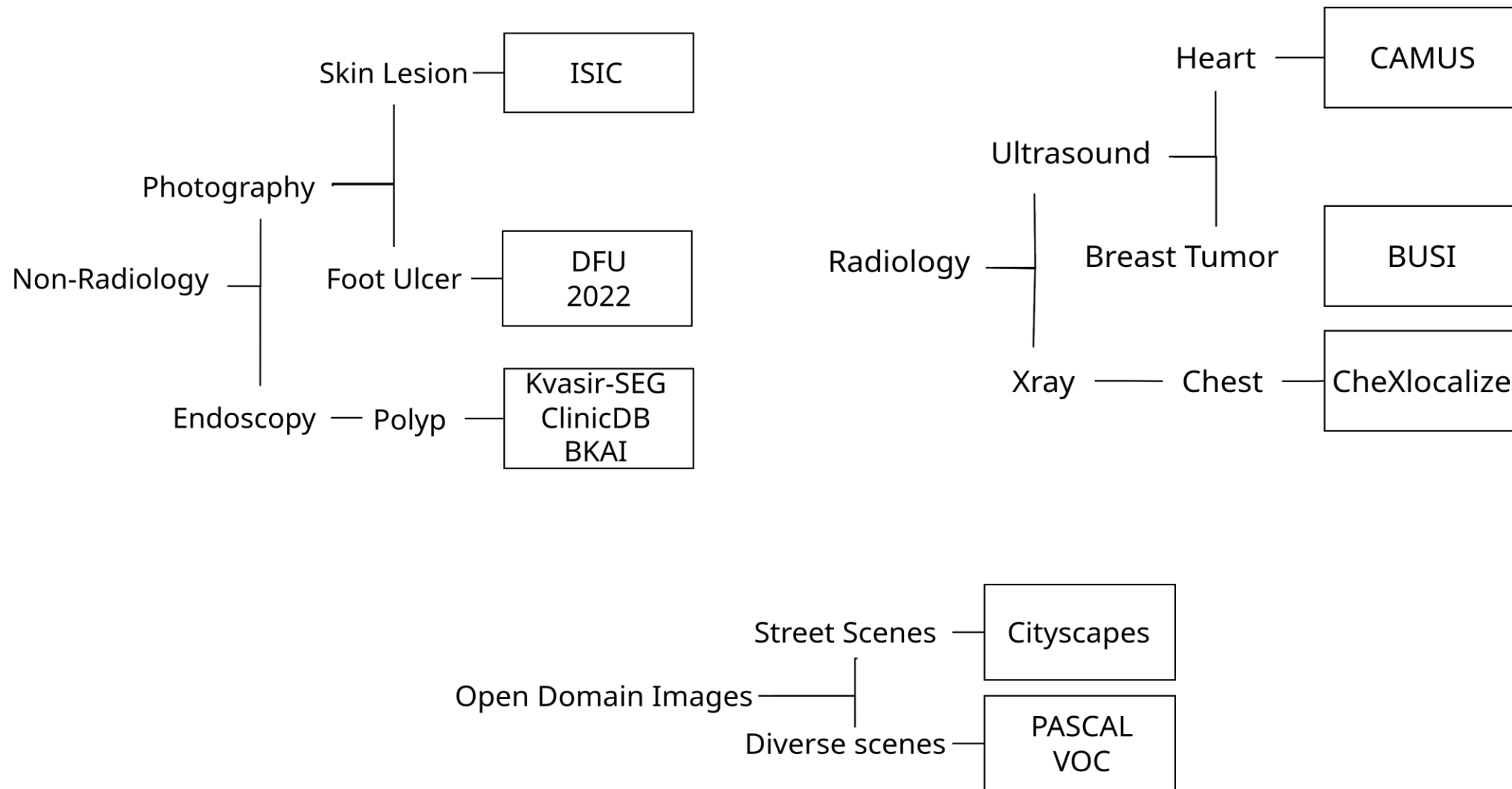
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Models	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2 class-agnostic VLSMs: CLIPSeg, CRIS
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Datasets



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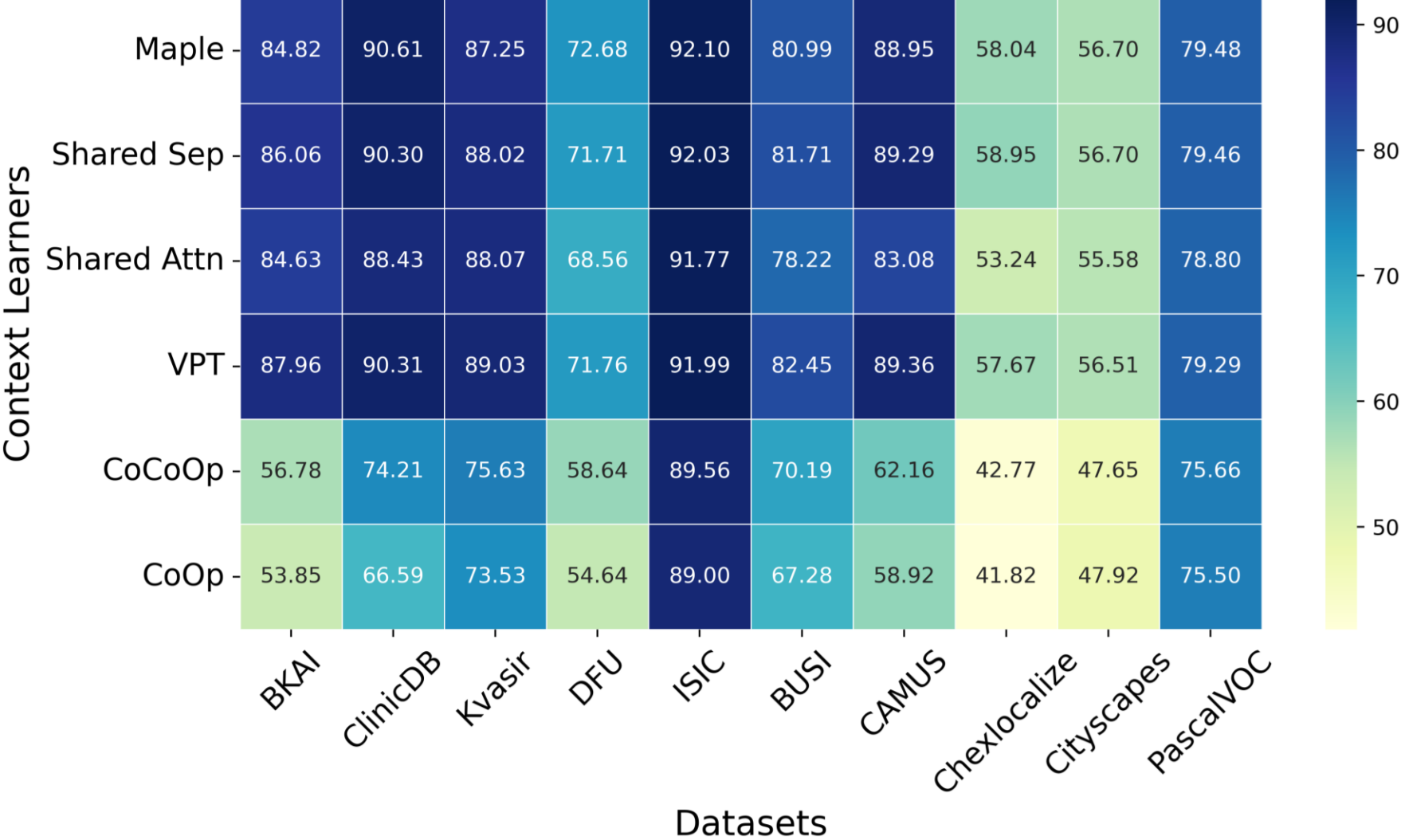
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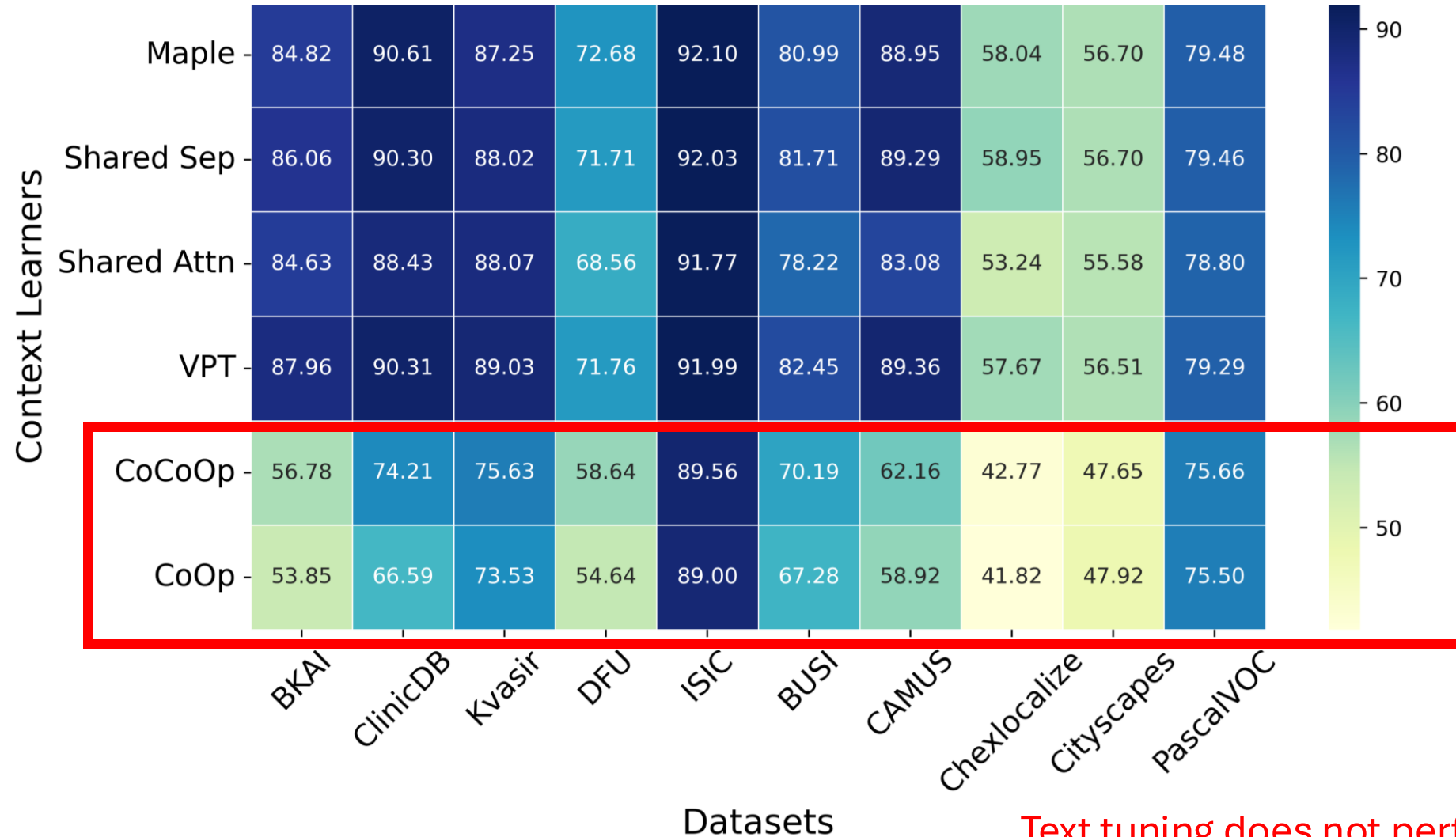
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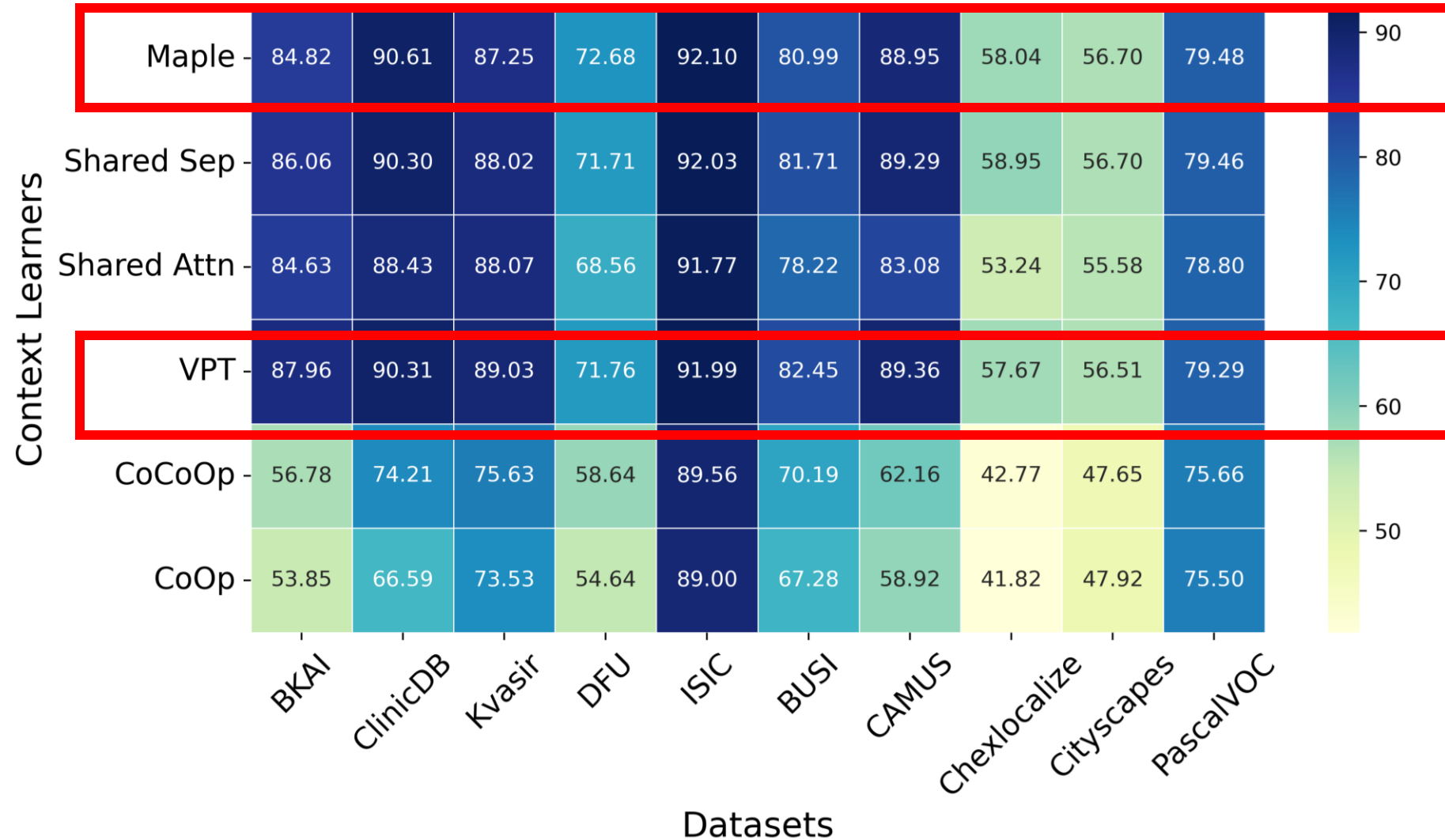


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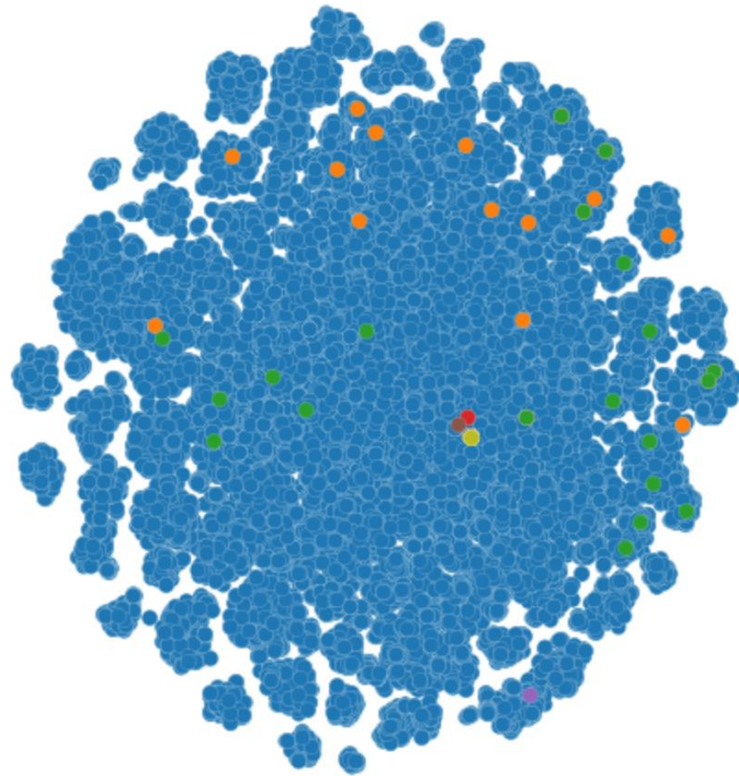
Text tuning does not perform well.

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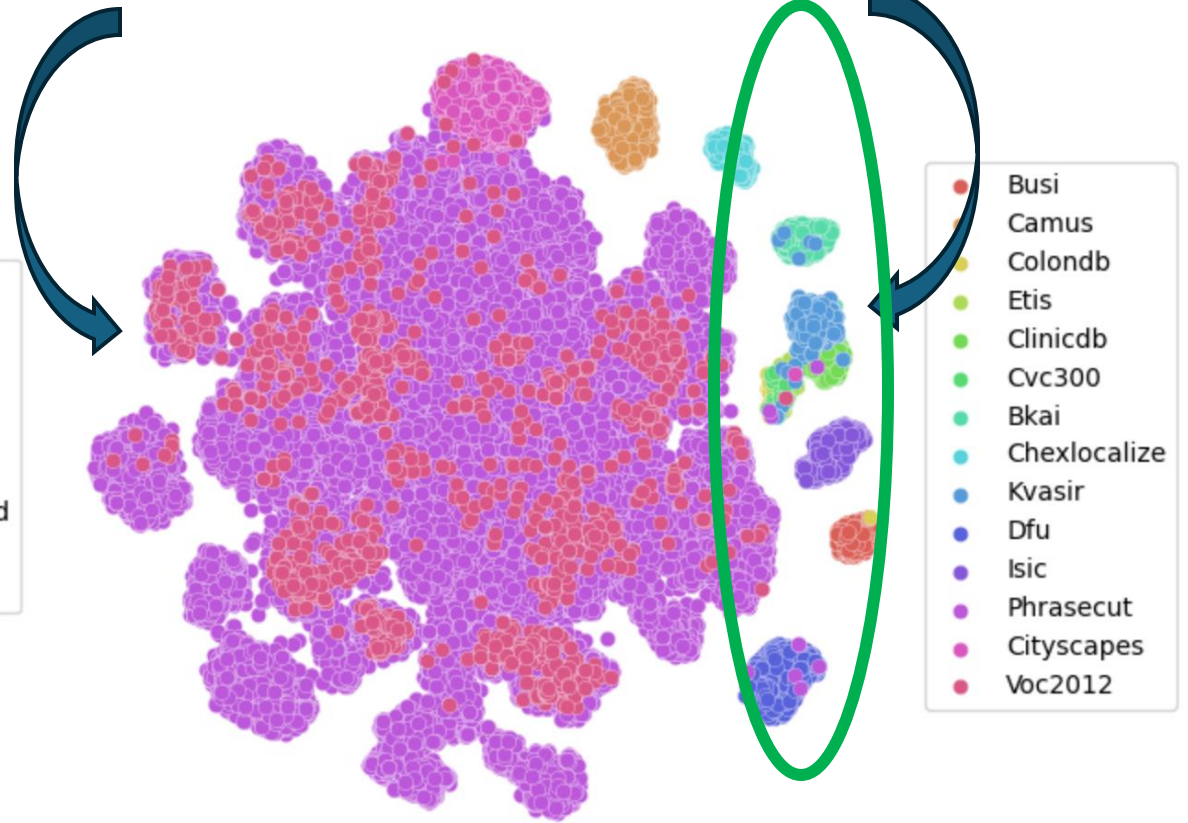


Is VPT's performance due to diversity of images and prompts in datasets ?

Separate clusters for medical and open domain images



Phrases (Text Prompts)

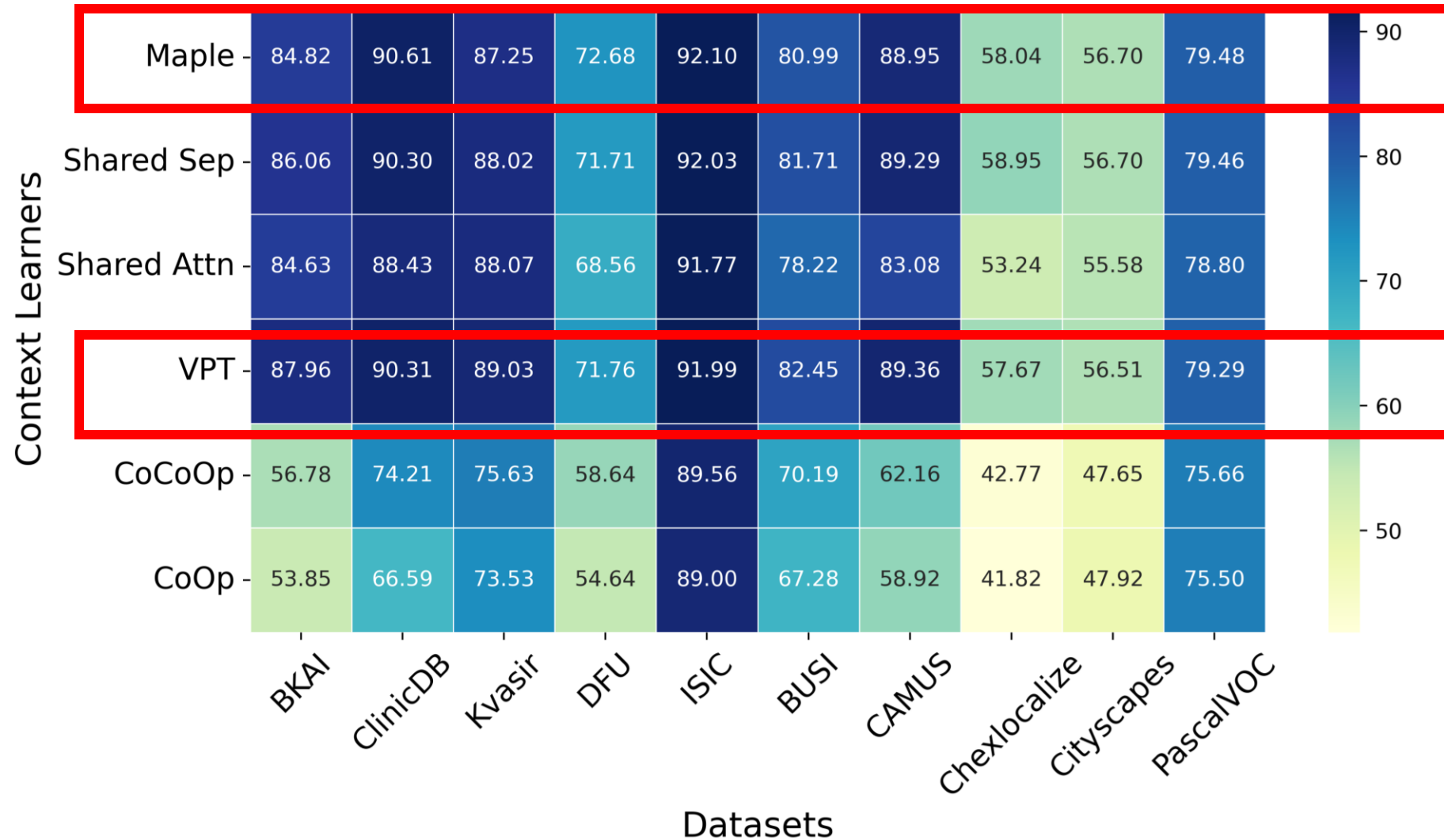


Images



Significant distribution shift in images than prompts might be the reason for VPT's better performance.

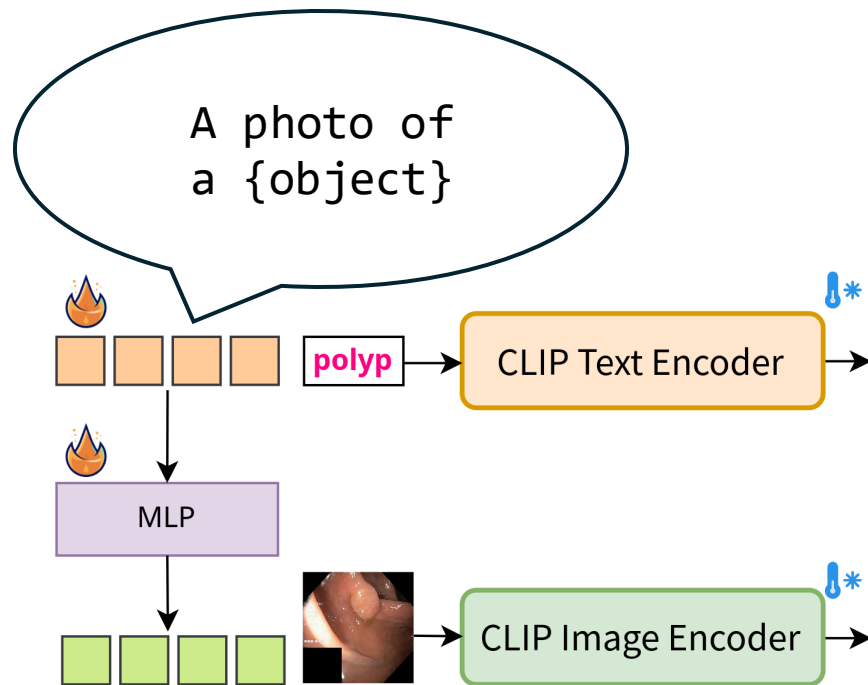
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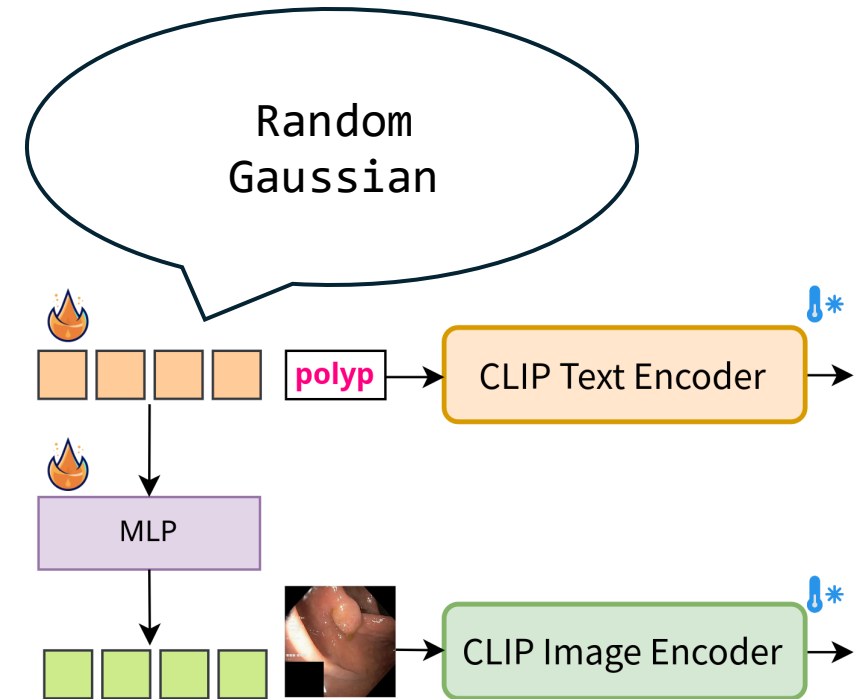
VPT has fewer hyperparameters to tune; smaller search space; can be a good starting choice for good results

Context Vector Initialization

The context vectors of Maple can either be heuristically initialized or randomly.

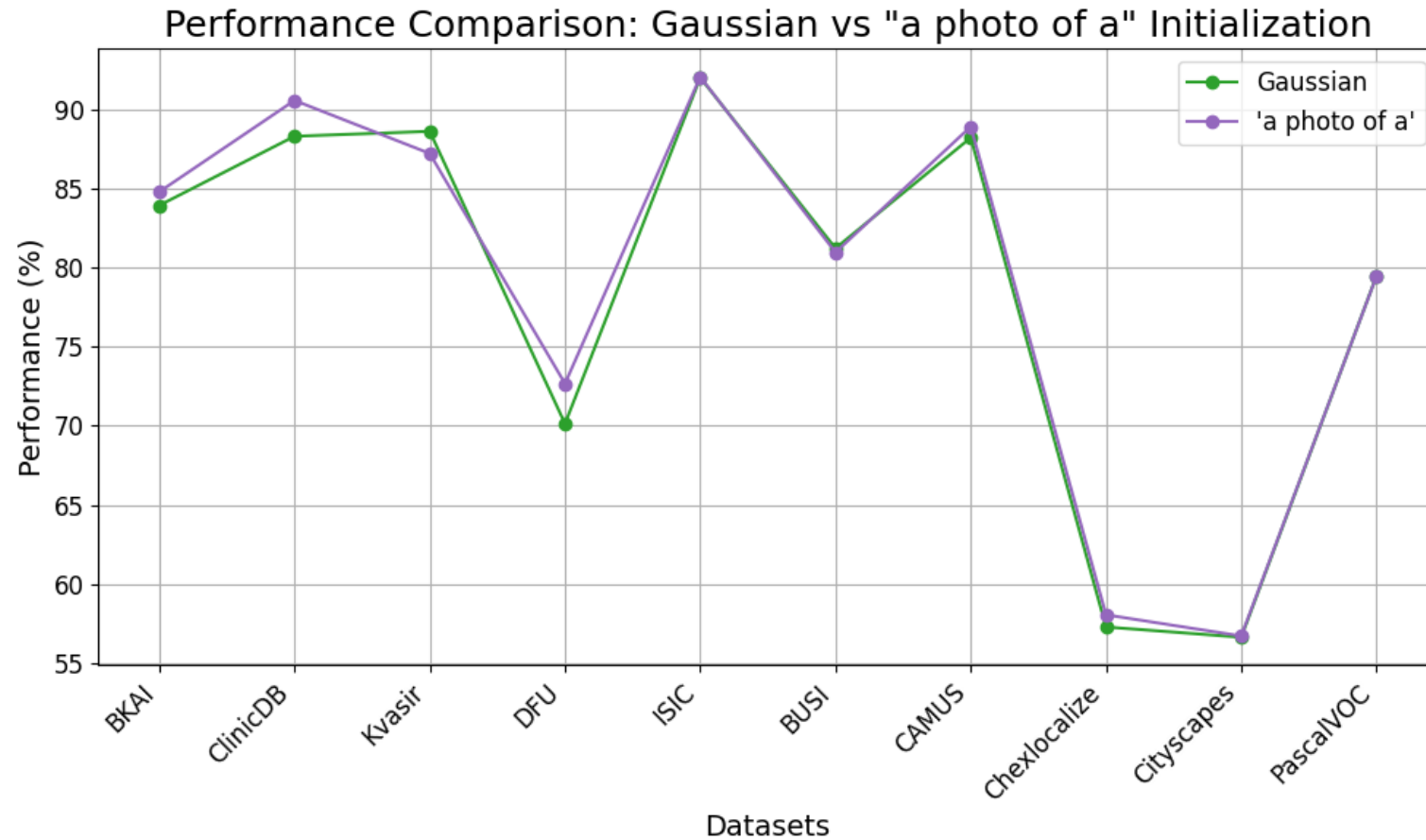


Maple with Heuristic Initialization



Maple with Random Initialization

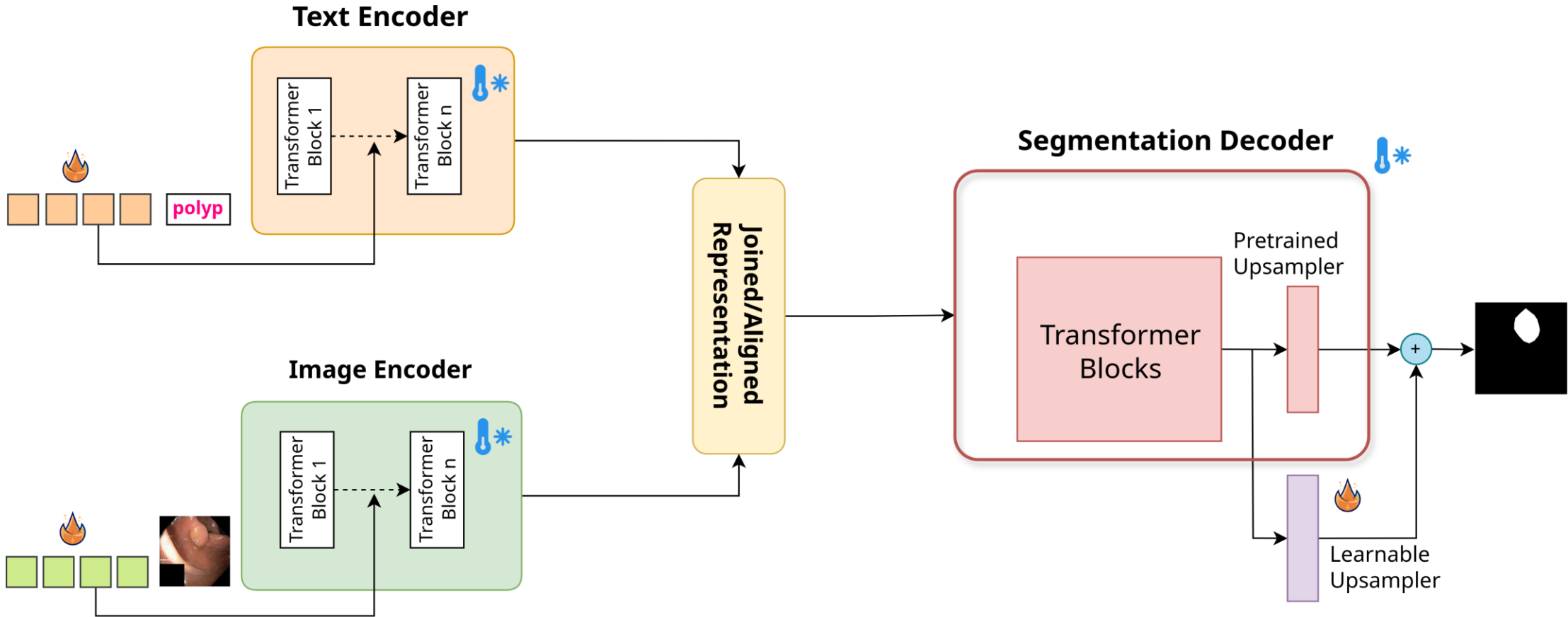
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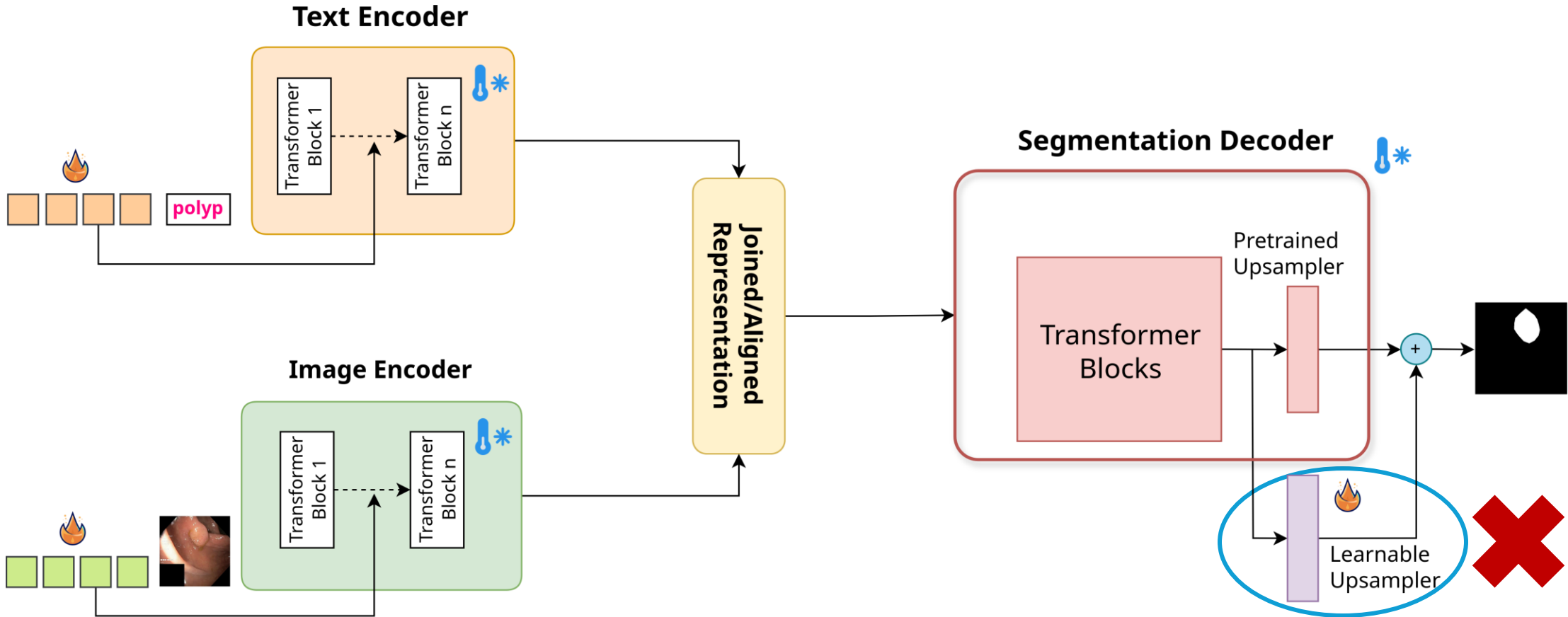
It *might* be a good idea to initialize the context vectors with embeddings of "a photo of a".

Might be because CLIP is trained on the prompt template "a photo of a <CLS>".

Is the performance of context learners due to learnable upsampler?



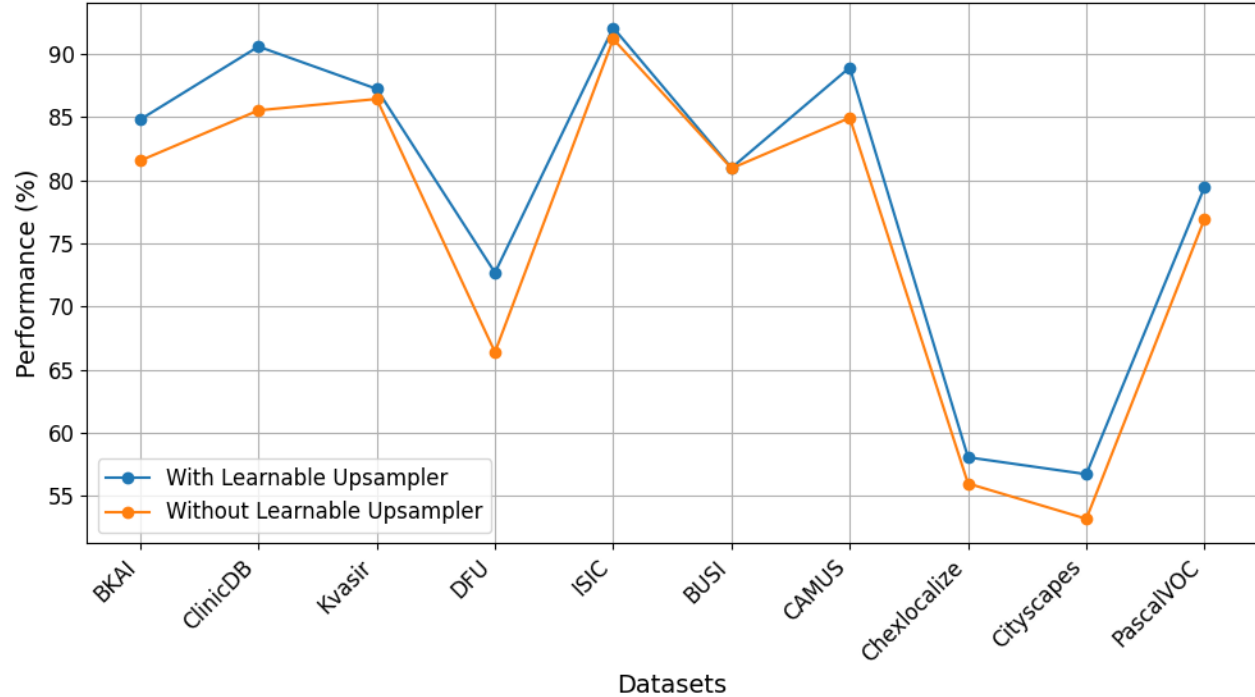
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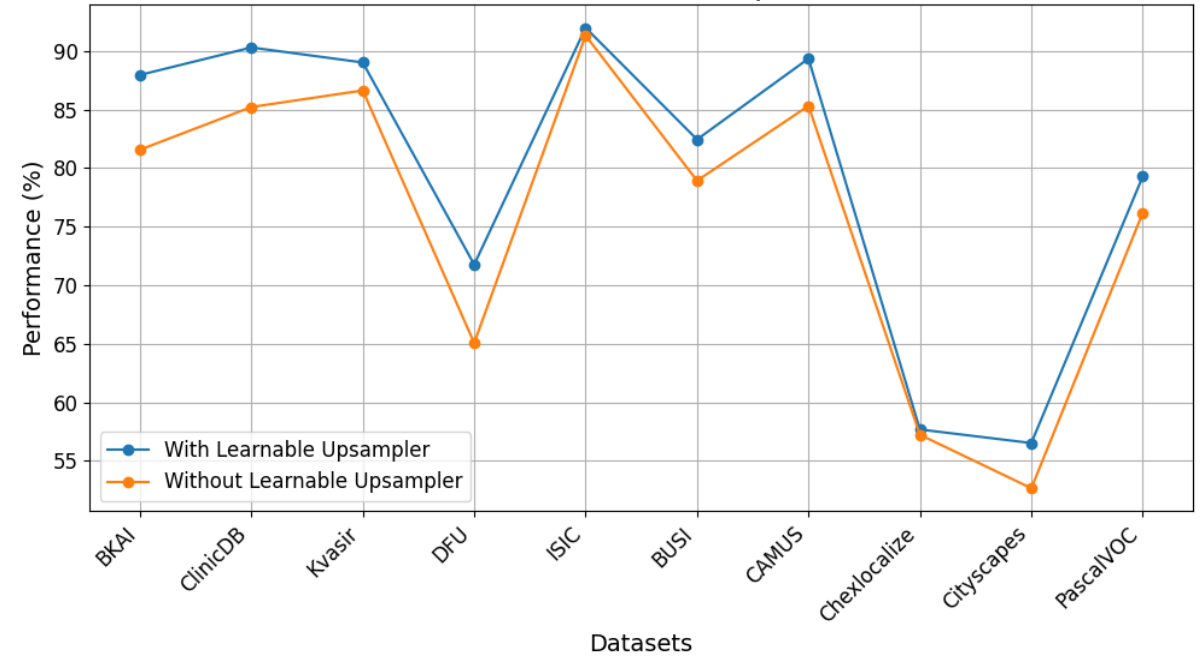
We trained the models by removing this block.

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Maple Performance Comparison



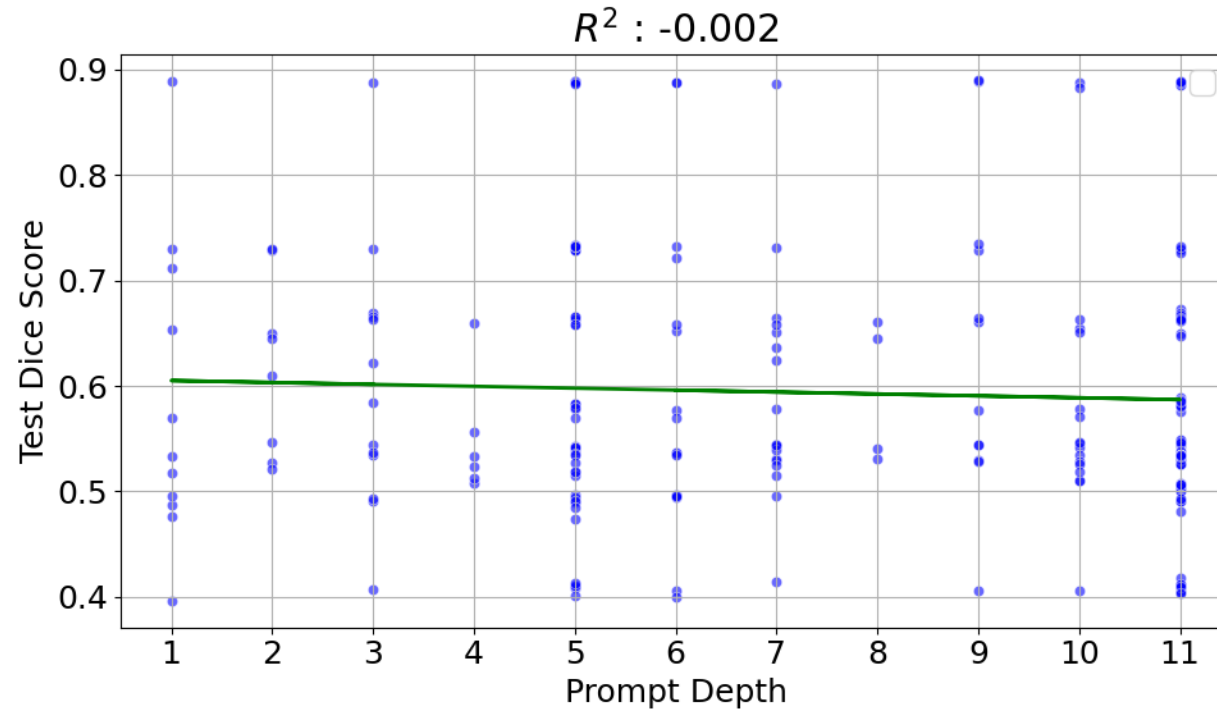
VPT Performance Comparison



Using the learnable upsampler clearly has benefits.

What should the prompt depth be?

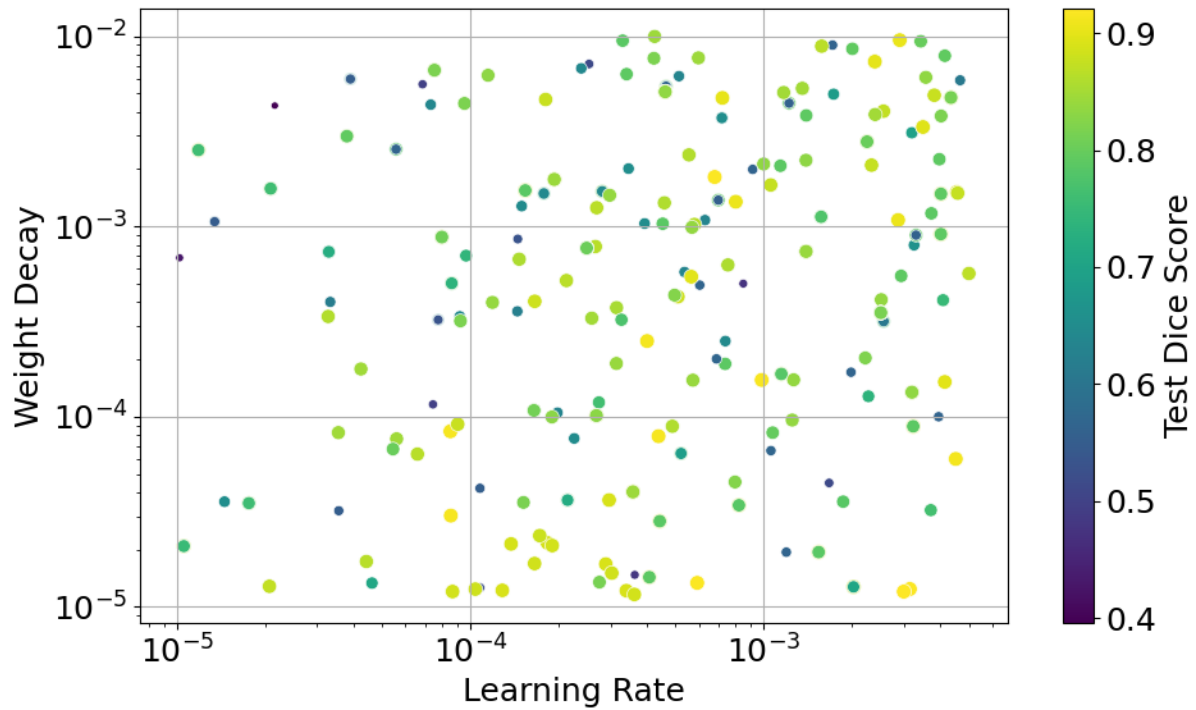
- There is no strong correlation between the prompt depth and dice score.
- Increasing prompt depth may not always increase the dice score.



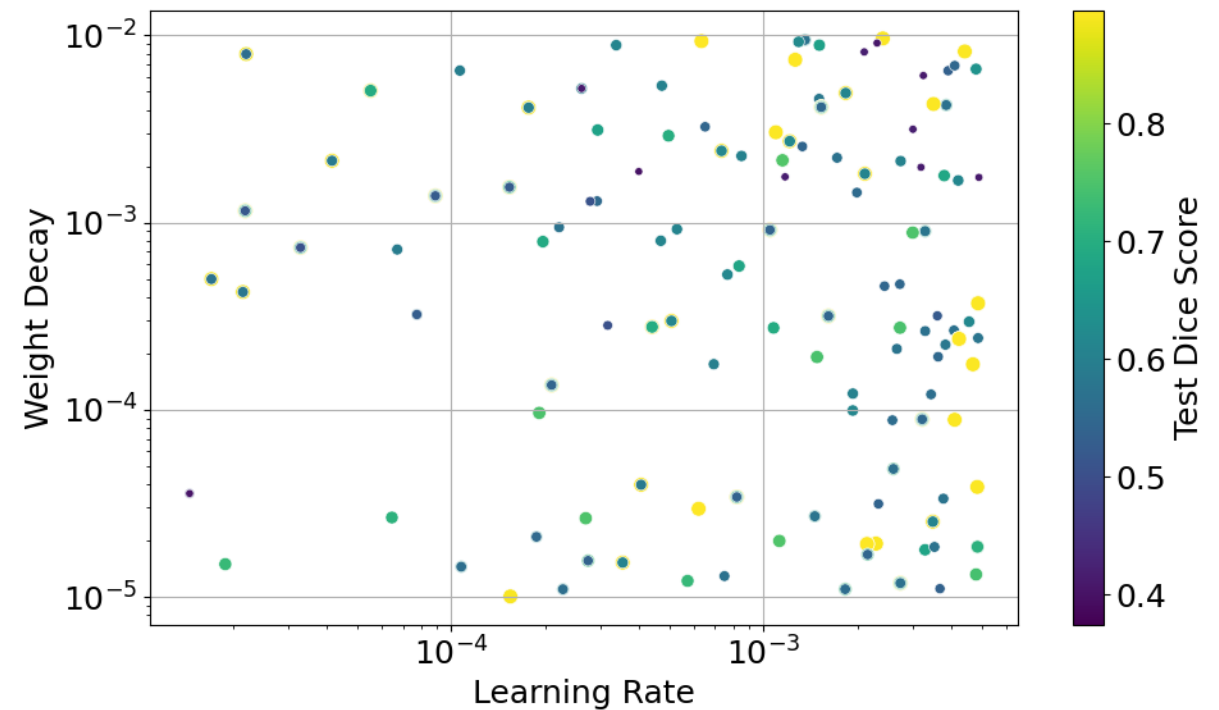
This is for text tuning methods.

Any specific choice for learning rate and weight decay?

- There is no strong correlation between the Learning Rate/Weight Decay and dice score.



Maple



CoCoOp

Wrapping up...

- We performed benchmark evaluation on:
 - 2 CLIP-based VLSMs
 - 8 medical segmentation datasets
 - 2 open domain datasets
 - 6 prompt tuning strategies
- Our framework can be extended to other VLSMs and prompt tuning methods.



Scan to read paper

Prompt tuning is an effective strategy to adapt VLSMs for domain-specific segmentation tasks.

But we need to consider the caveats that comes with tuning different parameters of these methods.