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PET or Pattern Exploitative Training

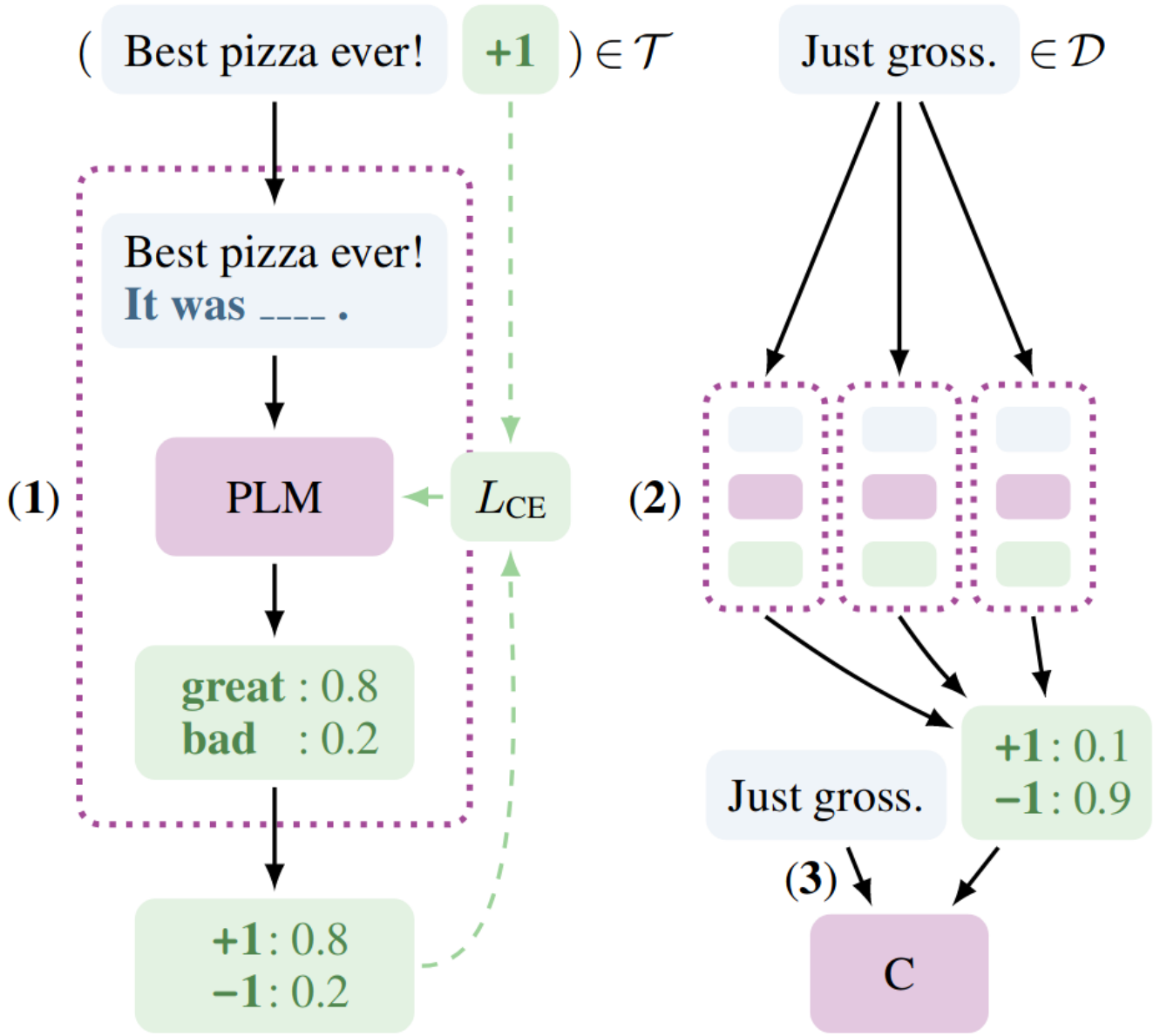


Figure 1: PET for sentiment classification. **(1)** A number of patterns encoding some form of task description are created to convert training examples to cloze questions; for each pattern, a pretrained language model is finetuned. **(2)** The ensemble of trained models annotates unlabeled data. **(3)** A classifier is trained on the resulting soft-labeled dataset.

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# Learning with Limited Data

Good machine learning is heavily dependent on good data. A few more good data-points is likely to be worth billions of model parameters.

However, sometimes we need to train models when data is limited. There are a number of strategies that we can try.

## Zero-Shot and Few-Shot Learning

- Pattern Exploitative Training is a way to use a small number of examples to train text classifiers. It is technically an example of synthetic data generation.

## In Context Learning (ICL)

## Synthetic Data Generation and Augmentation