

SQuAD

The Stanford Question Answering Dataset

What is SQuAD?

Stanford Question Answering Dataset (SQuAD) is a new reading comprehension dataset, consisting of questions posed by crowdworkers on a set of Wikipedia articles, where the answer to every question is a segment of text, or *span*, from the corresponding reading passage. With 100,000+ question-answer pairs on 500+ articles, SQuAD is significantly larger than previous reading comprehension datasets.

[\(/SQuAD-explorer/explore/1.1/dev/\)](/SQuAD-explorer/explore/1.1/dev/)

[\(http://arxiv.org/abs/1606.05250\)](http://arxiv.org/abs/1606.05250)

Getting Started

We've built a few resources to help you get started with the dataset.

Download a copy of the dataset (distributed under the CC BY-SA 4.0 (<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/legalcode>) license):

[Training Set v1.1 \(30 MB\) \(/SQuAD-explorer/dataset/train-v1.1.json\)](/SQuAD-explorer/dataset/train-v1.1.json)

[Dev Set v1.1 \(5 MB\) \(/SQuAD-explorer/dataset/dev-v1.1.json\)](/SQuAD-explorer/dataset/dev-v1.1.json)

To evaluate your models, we have also made available the evaluation script we will use for official evaluation, along with a sample prediction file that the script will take as input. To run the evaluation, use `python evaluate-v1.1.py <path_to_dev-v1.1> <path_to_predictions>`.

[Evaluation Script v1.1 \(https://worksheets.codalab.org/rest/bundles/0xbcd57bee090b421c982\)](https://worksheets.codalab.org/rest/bundles/0xbcd57bee090b421c982)

[Sample Prediction File \(on Dev v1.1\) \(https://worksheets.codalab.org/rest/bundles/0xc83bf36cf8714819ba1\)](https://worksheets.codalab.org/rest/bundles/0xc83bf36cf8714819ba1)

Once you have built a model that works to your expectations on the dev set, you submit it to get official scores on the dev and a hidden test set. To preserve the integrity of test results, we do not release the test set to the public. Instead, we require you to submit your model so that we can run it on the test set for you. Here's a tutorial walking you through official evaluation of your model:

[Submission Tutorial \(https://worksheets.codalab.org/worksheets/0x8403d4867f9a3444685c\)](https://worksheets.codalab.org/worksheets/0x8403d4867f9a3444685c)

Because SQuAD is an ongoing effort, we expect the dataset to evolve.

Leaderboard

Since the release of our dataset, the community has made rapid progress! Here are the ExactMatch (EM) and F1 scores of the best models evaluated on the test set of v1.1. Will your model outperform humans on the QA task?

| Rank | Model | EM | F1 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | Human Performance Stanford University (Rajpurkar et al. '16) (http://arxiv.org/abs/1606.05250) | 82.304 | 91.221 |
| 1 <small>Jan 22, 2018</small> | Hybrid AoA Reader (ensemble) Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK Research | 82.482 | 89.281 |
| 2 <small>Jan 05, 2018</small> | SLQA+ (ensemble) Alibaba iDST NLP | 82.440 | 88.607 |
| 2 <small>Jan 03, 2018</small> | r-net+ (ensemble) Microsoft Research Asia | 82.650 | 88.493 |
| 3 <small>Dec 17, 2017</small> | r-net (ensemble) Microsoft Research Asia http://aka.ms/rnet (http://aka.ms/rnet) | 82.136 | 88.126 |
| 3 <small>Dec 22, 2017</small> | AttentionReader+ (ensemble) Tencent DPDAC NLP | 81.790 | 88.163 |
| 4 <small>Nov 17, 2017</small> | BiDAF + Self Attention + ELMo (ensemble) Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence | 81.003 | 87.432 |
| 5 <small>Jan 12, 2018</small> | EAZI+ (ensemble) Yiwise NLP Group | 80.426 | 86.912 |
| 5 <small>Jan 22, 2018</small> | Hybrid AoA Reader (single model) Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK Research | 80.027 | 87.288 |
| 5 <small>Jan 13, 2018</small> | SLQA+ single model | 80.436 | 87.021 |
| 5 <small>Jan 04, 2018</small> | {EAZI} (ensemble) Yiwise NLP Group | 80.436 | 86.912 |
| 6 <small>Dec 28, 2017</small> | SLQA+ (single model) Alibaba iDST NLP | 79.199 | 86.590 |
| 6 <small>Jan 03, 2018</small> | r-net+ (single model) Microsoft Research Asia | 79.901 | 86.536 |
| 7 <small>Dec 05, 2017</small> | SAN (ensemble model) Microsoft Business AI Solutions Team https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.03556.pdf (https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.03556.pdf) | 79.608 | 86.496 |
| 8 <small>Oct 17, 2017</small> | Interactive AoA Reader+ (ensemble) Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK | 79.083 | 86.450 |
| 9 <small>Oct 24, 2017</small> | FusionNet (ensemble) Microsoft Business AI Solutions Team | 78.978 | 86.016 |

To keep up to date with major changes to the dataset, please subscribe:

Have Questions?

Ask us questions at our google group (<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/squad-stanford-qa>) or at pranavsr@stanford.edu (<mailto:pranavsr@stanford.edu>).

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| 10 <input type="button" value="Oct 22, 2017"/> | DCN+ (ensemble) <i>Salesforce Research</i> | 78.852 | 85.996 |
| 11 <input type="button" value="Nov 03, 2017"/> | BiDAF + Self Attention + ELMo (single model) <i>Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence</i> | 78.580 | 85.833 |
| 12 <input type="button" value="Jan 02, 2018"/> | Conductor-net (ensemble) CMU https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504) | 78.433 | 85.517 |
| 12 <input type="button" value="Nov 30, 2017"/> | SLQA(ensemble) <i>Alibaba iDST NLP</i> | 78.328 | 85.682 |
| 13 <input type="button" value="Jan 03, 2018"/> | MEMEN (single model) <i>Zhejiang University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.09098 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.09098) | 78.234 | 85.344 |
| 14 <input type="button" value="Jul 25, 2017"/> | Interactive AoA Reader (ensemble) <i>Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK Research</i> | 77.845 | 85.297 |
| 15 <input type="button" value="Jan 10, 2018"/> | MAMCN+ (single model) <i>Samsung Research</i> | 77.436 | 85.130 |
| 16 <input type="button" value="Dec 06, 2017"/> | AttentionReader+ (single) <i>Tencent DPDAC NLP</i> | 77.342 | 84.925 |
| 16 <input type="button" value="Aug 21, 2017"/> | Reinforced Mnemonic Reader (ensemble) <i>NUDT and Fudan University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798) | 77.678 | 84.888 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Nov 06, 2017"/> | Conductor-net (ensemble) CMU https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504) | 76.996 | 84.630 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Dec 21, 2017"/> | Jenga (ensemble) <i>Facebook AI Research</i> | 77.237 | 84.466 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Dec 13, 2017"/> | RaSoR + TR + LM (single model) <i>Tel-Aviv University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03609 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03609) | 77.583 | 84.163 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Oct 13, 2017"/> | r-net (single model) <i>Microsoft Research Asia</i> http://aka.ms/rnet (http://aka.ms/rnet) | 76.461 | 84.265 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Dec 19, 2017"/> | FRC (single model) <i>in review</i> | 76.240 | 84.599 |
| 17 <input type="button" value="Nov 01, 2017"/> | SAN (single model) <i>Microsoft Business AI Solutions Team</i> https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.03556.pdf (https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.03556.pdf) | 76.828 | 84.396 |
| 18 <input type="button" value="Oct 22, 2017"/> | Conductor-net (ensemble) CMU | 76.146 | 83.991 |
| 19 <input type="button" value="Sep 08, 2017"/> | FusionNet (single model) <i>Microsoft Business AI Solutions team</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.07341 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.07341) | 75.968 | 83.900 |
| 19 <input type="button" value="Jul 14, 2017"/> | smarnet (ensemble) <i>Eigen Technology & Zhejiang University</i> | 75.989 | 83.475 |
| 19 <input type="button" value="Oct 22, 2017"/> | Interactive AoA Reader+ (single model) <i>Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK</i> | 75.821 | 83.843 |
| 20 <input type="button" value="Aug 18, 2017"/> | RaSoR + TR (single model) <i>Tel-Aviv University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03609 | 75.789 | 83.261 |

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| 21 Oct 23, 2017 | DCN+ (single model) <i>Salesforce Research</i> | 75.087 | 83.081 |
| 22 Jul 10, 2017 | DCN+ (single model) <i>Salesforce Research</i> | 74.866 | 82.806 |
| 22 Nov 01, 2017 | Mixed model (ensemble) <i>Sean</i> | 75.265 | 82.769 |
| 22 Oct 31, 2017 | SLQA (single model) <i>Alibaba iDST NLP</i> | 74.489 | 82.815 |
| 22 Nov 17, 2017 | two-attention-self-attention (ensemble) <i>guotong1988</i> | 75.223 | 82.716 |
| 22 May 21, 2017 | MEMEN (ensemble) <i>Eigen Technology & Zhejiang University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.09098 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.09098) | 75.370 | 82.658 |
| 23 Mar 09, 2017 | ReasoNet (ensemble) <i>MSR Redmond</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.05284 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.05284) | 75.034 | 82.552 |
| 24 Jul 14, 2017 | Mnemonic Reader (ensemble) <i>NUDT and Fudan University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798) | 74.268 | 82.371 |
| 25 Dec 23, 2017 | S ³ -Net (ensemble) <i>Kangwon National University in South Korea</i> | 74.121 | 82.342 |
| 25 Oct 27, 2017 | Unnamed submission by null | 74.489 | 82.312 |
| 25 Jan 02, 2018 | Conductor-net (single model) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504) | 74.405 | 82.742 |
| 26 Nov 06, 2017 | Conductor-net (single) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10504) | 73.240 | 81.933 |
| 26 Jul 25, 2017 | Interactive AoA Reader (single model) <i>Joint Laboratory of HIT and iFLYTEK Research</i> | 73.639 | 81.931 |
| 27 Aug 21, 2017 | Reinforced Mnemonic Reader (single model) <i>NUDT and Fudan University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798) | 73.188 | 81.816 |
| 27 Jul 29, 2017 | SEDT (ensemble model) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572) | 74.090 | 81.761 |
| 28 Dec 14, 2017 | Jenga (single model) <i>Facebook AI Research</i> | 73.303 | 81.754 |
| 28 Jul 06, 2017 | SSAE (ensemble) <i>Tsinghua University</i> | 74.080 | 81.665 |
| 29 Feb 22, 2017 | BiDAF (ensemble) <i>Allen Institute for AI & University of Washington</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01603 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01603) | 73.744 | 81.525 |
| 29 Apr 22, 2017 | SEDT+BiDAF (ensemble) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572) | 73.723 | 81.530 |
| 29 | Multi-Perspective Matching (ensemble) | 73.765 | 81.257 |

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| Jan 24, 2017 | IBM Research https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.04211 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.04211) | | |
| 29 May 01, 2017 | jNet (ensemble) USTC & National Research Council Canada & York University https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04617 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04617) | 73.010 | 81.517 |
| 30 Oct 22, 2017 | Conductor-net (single) CMU | 72.590 | 81.415 |
| 31 Dec 15, 2017 | S ³ -Net (single model) Kangwon National University in South Korea | 71.908 | 81.023 |
| 31 Apr 12, 2017 | T-gating (ensemble) Peking University | 72.758 | 81.001 |
| 31 Sep 20, 2017 | BiDAF + Self Attention (single model) Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10723 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.10723) | 72.139 | 81.048 |
| 31 Nov 16, 2017 | two-attention-self-attention (single model) guotong1988 | 72.600 | 81.011 |
| 32 Nov 06, 2017 | attention+self-attention (single model) guotong1988 | 71.698 | 80.462 |
| 33 Nov 01, 2016 | Dynamic Coattention Networks (ensemble) Salesforce Research https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01604 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01604) | 71.625 | 80.383 |
| 34 Jul 14, 2017 | smarnet (single model) Eigen Technology & Zhejiang University https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.02772 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.02772) | 71.415 | 80.160 |
| 34 Apr 13, 2017 | QFASE NUS | 71.898 | 79.989 |
| 35 Oct 27, 2017 | M-NET (single) UFL | 71.016 | 79.835 |
| 35 Jul 14, 2017 | Mnemonic Reader (single model) NUDT and Fudan University https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1705.02798) | 70.995 | 80.146 |
| 36 Mar 24, 2017 | jNet (single model) USTC & National Research Council Canada & York University https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04617 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04617) | 70.607 | 79.821 |
| 36 Apr 02, 2017 | Ruminating Reader (single model) New York University https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.07415 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.07415) | 70.639 | 79.456 |
| 37 Mar 08, 2017 | ReasoNet (single model) MSR Redmond https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.05284 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.05284) | 70.555 | 79.364 |
| 37 Mar 14, 2017 | Document Reader (single model) Facebook AI Research https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.00051 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.00051) | 70.733 | 79.353 |
| 37 Dec 28, 2016 | FastQAExt German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04816 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04816) | 70.849 | 78.857 |

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| 38 Apr 14, 2017 | Multi-Perspective Matching (single model) <i>IBM Research</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.04211 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.04211) | 70.387 | 78.784 |
| 38 May 13, 2017 | RaSoR (single model) <i>Google NY, Tel-Aviv University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01436 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01436) | 70.849 | 78.741 |
| 39 Aug 30, 2017 | SimpleBaseline (single model) <i>Technical University of Vienna</i> | 69.600 | 78.236 |
| 40 Apr 12, 2017 | SEDT+BiDAF (single model) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572) | 68.478 | 77.971 |
| 41 Jun 25, 2017 | PQMN (single model) <i>KAIST & AIBrain & Crosscert</i> | 68.331 | 77.783 |
| 42 Apr 12, 2017 | T-gating (single model) <i>Peking University</i> | 68.132 | 77.569 |
| 42 Jul 29, 2017 | SEDT (single model) <i>CMU</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.00572) | 68.163 | 77.527 |
| 43 Nov 28, 2016 | BiDAF (single model) <i>Allen Institute for AI & University of Washington</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01603 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01603) | 67.974 | 77.323 |
| 43 Jan 22, 2018 | FABIR (Single Model) <i>in review</i> | 67.744 | 77.605 |
| 44 Sep 19, 2017 | AllenNLP BiDAF (single model) <i>Allen Institute for AI</i> http://allennlp.org/ (http://allennlp.org/) | 67.618 | 77.151 |
| 44 Dec 28, 2016 | FastQA <i>German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04816 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.04816) | 68.436 | 77.070 |
| 45 Oct 26, 2016 | Match-LSTM with Ans-Ptr (Boundary) (ensemble) <i>Singapore Management University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905) | 67.901 | 77.022 |
| 46 Feb 05, 2017 | Iterative Co-attention Network <i>Fudan University</i> | 67.502 | 76.786 |
| 47 Nov 01, 2016 | Dynamic Coattention Networks (single model) <i>Salesforce Research</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01604 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01604) | 66.233 | 75.896 |
| 47 Jan 03, 2018 | newtest <i>single model</i> | 66.527 | 75.787 |
| 48 Jan 03, 2018 | baseline <i>single model</i> | 64.796 | 74.272 |
| 49 Dec 09, 2017 | Unnamed submission by ravioncodalab | 64.439 | 73.921 |
| 49 Oct 26, 2016 | Match-LSTM with Bi-Ans-Ptr (Boundary) <i>Singapore Management University</i> https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905) | 64.744 | 73.743 |
| 50 Feb 19, 2017 | Attentive CNN context with LSTM <i>NLPR, CASIA</i> | 63.306 | 73.463 |

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| 50 Sep 21, 2017 | OTF dict+spelling (single) University of Montreal https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286) | 64.083 | 73.056 |
| 51 Sep 21, 2017 | OTF spelling (single) University of Montreal https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286) | 62.897 | 72.016 |
| 51 Nov 02, 2016 | Fine-Grained Gating Carnegie Mellon University https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01724 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.01724) | 62.446 | 73.327 |
| 51 Sep 21, 2017 | OTF spelling+lemma (single) University of Montreal https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.00286) | 62.604 | 71.968 |
| 52 Sep 28, 2016 | Dynamic Chunk Reader IBM https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.09996 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.09996) | 62.499 | 70.956 |
| 53 Aug 27, 2016 | Match-LSTM with Ans-Ptr (Boundary) Singapore Management University https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905) | 60.474 | 70.695 |
| 54 Jan 05, 2018 | PivRet (single model) anonymous | 58.764 | 69.276 |
| 55 Aug 27, 2016 | Match-LSTM with Ans-Ptr (Sentence) Singapore Management University https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905 (https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07905) | 54.505 | 67.748 |