Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer for Automated Veterinary Radiology Report Generation

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Abstract

This paper introduces a Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT), a novel deep learning architecture for the automated generation of veterinary radiology reports. The primary challenge addressed is the subjective and time-consuming nature of manual report generation for conditions like canine cardiomegaly. The MCIT model introduces two key innovations: 1) It is multimodal, processing both radiographic images and structured clinical history to provide more context-aware diagnostics. 2) It integrates predicted clinical findings directly into the multimodal context, allowing the model to ground report generation in specific abnormalities. The MCIT model is trained and evaluated on a local dataset of 5,000 canine chest X-rays and corresponding reports. Our MCIT model demonstrates strong performance, with a BLEU-4 score of 0.510 and a Clinical F1 score of 0.920, demonstrating its potential to significantly improve the efficiency and accuracy of veterinary diagnostics.

1 Introduction

The interpretation of radiographic images is a cornerstone of veterinary medicine, but the manual generation of radiology reports presents a significant bottleneck. This process is not only time-consuming but also subjective and prone to inconsistencies, which can compromise diagnostic accuracy and patient outcomes. Such challenges are particularly acute in complex conditions like canine cardiomegaly, where early and precise diagnosis is critical. The subjective element in radiograph interpretation can result in diagnostic delays or errors, underscoring the urgent need for more objective, standardized methodologies. The increasing caseload in veterinary clinics further exacerbates these issues, putting a strain on available resources and personnel.

Deep learning advancements offer a viable solution. Automated systems capable of analyzing radiographic images and clinical data can produce detailed, consistent reports, thereby enhancing both efficiency and diagnostic precision. By alleviating the repetitive task of report generation, veterinarians can devote more time to patient care and intricate decision-making. Nevertheless, current automated methods often face difficulties in effectively integrating multimodal data, such as images and clinical histories. They also tend to rely on static knowledge graphs, which are inadequate for capturing the dynamic, case-specific relationships between clinical findings. These limitations hinder the clinical applicability of existing models, as they often fail to capture the full context of a patient's condition.

To overcome these challenges, we propose a Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT), a novel deep learning architecture for automated veterinary radiology report generation. The MCIT model introduces three main contributions: 1) Multimodal Data Fusion, which integrates radiographic images with structured clinical data for more context-aware reports; 2) Clinical Finding Integration, a core innovation that integrates predicted clinical findings directly into the multimodal context, allowing the model to ground report generation in specific abnormalities; and 3) The effectiveness of

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our apporach, as demonstrated on a dataset of 5,000 canine chest X-rays, where the MCIT model achieved a BLEU-4 score of 0.510 a Clinical F1 score of 0.920. Our work aims to pave the way for more robust and reliable automated reporting systems in veterinary medicine. This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 reviews related work, Section 3 details the MCIT architecture, Section 4 presents our experimental results, and Section 5 concludes with our findings and future research directions.

2 Related Work

Automated radiology report generation is a critical research area, particularly in veterinary medicine. This section reviews progress, challenges, and specific applications of deep learning technologies for report generation in the veterinary field.

2.1 Progress and Challenges in Automatic Report Generation

Automatic radiology report generation has significantly progressed, with deep learning improving reporting efficiency and consistency. A review by Pinto and O'Brien [2023] highlights advancements and challenges, including the need for large, high-quality datasets and ensuring clinical accuracy. Notably, Lee et al. [2023] specifically reviews deep learning applications for veterinary report generation, providing a comprehensive overview of this emerging field.

Challenges persist, particularly in evaluating generated reports, as traditional NLG metrics often miss clinical nuances. Haffari et al. [2023] surveys medical report evaluation methods, emphasizing the need for clinically-oriented metrics. Crucially for veterinary medicine, large-scale, publicly available datasets remain a bottleneck; while MIMIC-CXR Johnson et al. [2019] advanced human radiology report generation, similar resources are still lacking in the veterinary domain.

2.2 Deep Learning Methods for Report Generation

Automatic radiology report generation primarily employs encoder-decoder frameworks. Early models utilized Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) for image encoding and Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) for text generation. ResNet He et al. [2016] significantly influenced image feature extraction.

The Transformer architecture Vaswani et al. [2017] revolutionized natural language processing and has been widely adopted for report generation, leveraging its self-attention mechanism for coherent and fluent reports. This includes memory-driven transformers Chen et al. [2020] and the R-Net model Wang et al. [2022].

More recent work focuses on improving clinical accuracy and interpretability, particularly through multimodal and large language models. RadAlign Gu et al. [2025] exemplifies a vision-language model that aligns visual features with medical concepts for enhanced radiology report generation. Similarly, ClinicalBLIP Ji et al. [2024] demonstrates advancements in generating textual descriptions from clinical images. Other notable approaches include knowledge-graph-based models Zhang et al. [2020] for integrating external medical knowledge, and multi-instance/multi-scale learning approaches Liao et al. [2023] for capturing fine-grained image details. Large language models (LLMs) Al-Fuqaha et al. [2023] also present new possibilities, with vision-language modeling Liu and et al. [2021] and efficient CNN surveys Zhou and et al. [2023] remaining relevant for architectural considerations.

2.3 Deep Learning in Veterinary Medicine

Deep learning is increasingly applied in veterinary medicine for various diagnostic tasks. Bui et al. [2023] reviews NLP applications in this field. In radiology, deep learning aids canine cardiomegaly detection Boisserie et al. [2022], Li and et al. [2021] and automated vertebral heart score (VHS) calculation Buvik et al. [2022], with Kim and Chiu [2019] providing a large-scale VHS study.

Automated veterinary radiology report generation is a new research area. Müller et al. [2022] demonstrated deep learning feasibility for canine thoracic radiographs, and Kim et al. [2023] developed a model for veterinary dental reports. These studies show deep learning's potential to improve reporting efficiency and consistency, but also highlight the need for more advanced, clinically accurate models. Li and et al. [2019]'s work on variational autoencoders for medical image generation is also relevant.

Our work builds on these studies, addressing remaining challenges by integrating multimodal data and clinical findings to develop a more robust, clinically-grounded model for automated veterinary radiology report generation.

3 Method

This section meticulously details the architecture of our proposed Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT) model, a novel deep learning framework specifically designed for automated veterinary radiology report generation. This MCIT model addresses the inherent complexities of integrating diverse data modalities and explicitly incorporating clinical findings, aiming to enhance both the efficiency and accuracy of diagnostic reporting. The overall architecture is visually represented in Figure 1, which illustrates the interconnected modules and data flow, including synthetic patient context and generated report for demonstration purposes.

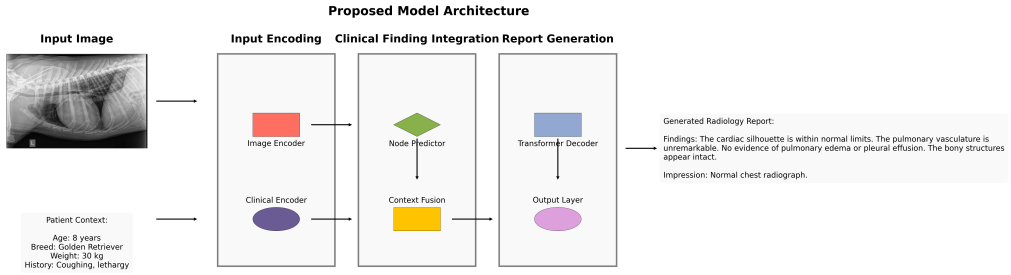

Figure 1: Overall architecture of the Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT) model.

3.1 Data Representation and Preprocessing

Our model operates on a meticulously curated dataset, denoted as $\mathcal{D} = \{(I_i, C_i, R_i)\}_{i=1}^{N_{full}}$, where N_{full} represents the total number of available instances. Each individual sample comprises a radiographic image (I_i), a structured clinical history vector (C_i), and a corresponding expert-generated reference report (R_i). For image preprocessing, raw radiographic images undergo a sequence of transformations: they are first resized to 224×224 pixels, and finally normalized using the ImageNet mean (μ_{img}) and standard deviation (σ_{img}). This normalization step is crucial for aligning the input distribution with that seen during pre-training of convolutional neural networks, and is formally expressed as:

$$I_i' = \frac{\text{crop}(I_i) - \mu_{img}}{\sigma_{img}} \tag{1}$$

For text preprocessing, reference reports are lowercased and tokenized. A comprehensive vocabulary is constructed from the training set, and each report is converted into a numerical sequence, padded to a fixed length, and augmented with special start ($\langle$s$\rangle$) and end ($\langle$/s$\rangle$) tokens to delineate sequence boundaries for the generative model.

3.2 Model Architecture

Our model consists of three main components: a Multimodal Encoder, a Clinical Finding Integration module, and a Transformer Decoder for report generation.

3.2.1 Multimodal Encoder

The multimodal encoder is responsible for extracting rich, context-aware representations from both the visual and clinical history inputs, forming the foundation for subsequent processing. This component ensures that information from different modalities is effectively captured and prepared for fusion.

- **Image Encoder:** A sequential convolutional neural network (Φ_{cnn}) extracts visual features from the preprocessed radiographic images. This encoder is designed to capture hierarchical visual patterns, consisting of a convolutional layer for initial feature extraction, followed by a ReLU activation for non-linearity, adaptive average pooling to reduce spatial dimensions, flattening to convert the feature map into a vector, and finally a linear layer to project these features to a d_{img} dimensional space:

$$X_{img} = \text{Linear}(\text{Flatten}(\text{AdaptiveAvgPool2d}(\text{ReLU}(\text{Conv2d}(I'_i))))) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{img}} \tag{2}$$

- **Clinical History Encoder:** A linear layer (Φ_{clin}) processes the fixed-dimensional clinical data vector C_i. This layer projects the raw clinical features into a d_{model} dimensional embedding space, making them compatible for fusion with other modalities. This ensures that relevant patient history is incorporated into the model's understanding:

$$X_{clin} = \Phi_{clin}(C_i) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{model}} \tag{3}$$

3.2.2 Clinical Finding Integration

This module is a key innovation, integrating predicted clinical findings directly into the multimodal context. This allows the model to explicitly leverage specific abnormalities identified from the image, providing a grounded basis for report generation.

- **Node Prediction:** A linear layer (Φ_{node}) predicts the presence of K predefined clinical findings from the extracted image features (X_{img}). The output of this layer is a vector of logits, where each element corresponds to the likelihood of a specific clinical finding being present. This acts as an auxiliary task, guiding the model to focus on diagnostically relevant visual cues:

$$p_{nodes} = \Phi_{node}(X_{img}) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^{K} \tag{4}$$

- **Context Fusion:** The extracted image features (X_{img}), clinical features (X_{clin}), and predicted nodes (p_{nodes}) are concatenated and passed through a linear layer to form a fused context vector (X_{fused}):

$$X_{fused} = \text{Linear}([X_{img}, X_{clin}, p_{nodes}]) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{model}} \tag{5}$$

3.2.3 Report Generation Decoder

The report generation decoder is responsible for generating the final radiology report, effectively leveraging the rich multimodal context from the encoders and the explicitly integrated clinical findings. This component translates the abstract fused representation into coherent and clinically accurate natural language.

- **Decoder:** A 6-layer Transformer decoder (Φ_{dec}) generates the report. The probability of the next token y_t is conditioned on previous tokens ($y_{<t}$) and the fused multimodal context (X_{fused}):

$$p(y_t|y_{<t}, I_i, C_i) = \Phi_{dec}(y_{<t}, X_{fused}) \tag{6}$$

3.3 Loss Function

The model is trained end-to-end using a composite loss function that promotes both accurate report generation and precise clinical finding prediction. This multi-task objective ensures the model produces fluent text and correctly identifies underlying medical conditions. The total loss function is defined as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{total} = \mathcal{L}_{gen} + \lambda_{node}\mathcal{L}_{node} \tag{7}$$

Here, $\mathcal{L}_{gen}$ is a standard cross-entropy loss applied to the generated report, measuring the discrepancy between predicted and true token distributions:

$$\mathcal{L}_{gen} = -\sum_{t=1}^{L_i} \log p(y_t|y_{<t}, I_i, C_i) \tag{8}$$

$\mathcal{L}_{node}$ is a binary cross-entropy loss with logits for the node prediction task, ensuring accurate identification of clinical abnormalities:

$$\mathcal{L}_{node} = -\frac{1}{K}\sum_{k=1}^{K}[f_{k,i}\log(\sigma(z_k)) + (1 - f_{k,i})\log(1 - \sigma(z_k))] \tag{9}$$

where z_k are the logits for finding k in sample i, and σ is the sigmoid function.

3.4 Evaluation Metrics

To assess model performance, we use standard NLG metrics: BLEU-1, BLEU-2, BLEU-3, BLEU-4, ROUGE-L, METEOR, and CIDEr. Additionally, we employ two critical clinical efficacy metrics: Clinical F1 and Node Accuracy.

Clinical F1 measures the accuracy of identifying clinically significant findings in generated reports. It is calculated by extracting predefined clinical entities (label set) from both ground truth and generated reports, applying a threshold (e.g., 0.5) to convert predicted probabilities into binary presence/absence for each entity, and then computing the F1-score. Node Accuracy evaluates the precision of the model's internal prediction of K clinical findings (nodes) from image features. The label set consists of 15 binary ground truth labels, and a threshold of 0.5 is applied to sigmoid-activated logits to obtain binary predictions. Node Accuracy is the average accuracy across all K findings, reflecting the model's ability to correctly identify underlying clinical abnormalities.

3.5 Training Pipeline

The entire model is trained end-to-end, allowing all components to be jointly optimized. The training process follows a standard iterative optimization procedure, as summarized in Algorithm 1. This pipeline ensures robust optimization for both linguistic fluency and clinical accuracy.

Algorithm 1 Training Pipeline

Initialize model parameters θ
Initialize optimizer (e.g., Adam) and learning rate scheduler
for each epoch from 1 to N_{epochs} **do**
  for each batch (I, C, R) in $\mathcal{D}_{train}$ **do**
    $I', C', R' \leftarrow$ preprocess(I, C, R) ▷ Apply image transformations and text tokenization
    $X_{img}, X_{clin} \leftarrow$ MultimodalEncoder(I', C') ▷ Extract visual and clinical features
    $p_{nodes} \leftarrow$ NodePredictor(X_{img}) ▷ Predict probabilities for clinical findings
    $X_{fused} \leftarrow$ ContextFusion$(X_{img}, X_{clin}, p_{nodes})$ ▷ Fuse features and predicted nodes
    $R_{pred} \leftarrow$ ReportGenerationDecoder(R', X_{fused}) ▷ Generate report tokens
    $\mathcal{L}_{gen} \leftarrow$ CrossEntropyLoss(R_{pred}, R') ▷ Calculate generation loss
    $\mathcal{L}_{node} \leftarrow$ BCELoss(p_{nodes}, V_{true}) ▷ Calculate node prediction loss
    $\mathcal{L}_{total} \leftarrow \mathcal{L}_{gen} + \lambda_{node}\mathcal{L}_{node}$ ▷ Combine losses
    $\mathcal{L}_{total}$.backward() ▷ Compute gradients
    Optimizer.step() ▷ Update model parameters
    Optimizer.zero_grad() ▷ Clear gradients for next iteration
  end for
end for

4 Experiments

4.1 Experimental Setup

Dataset Our experiments utilized a local dataset of 5,000 anonymized canine chest X-rays and clinician-written radiology reports, collected from a collaborative veterinary hospital. The dataset was collected over a period from 2008 to 2024 from the hospital's Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS). The reports generally follow two standardized templates. The reports and X-rays were de-identified by the research group. This dataset was split into training (3,500), validation (500), and test (1,000) sets. Each report includes patient context, findings, observations, and a conclusion.

Image preprocessing involved resizing to 224×224 pixels and ImageNet normalization. Text reports were lowercased, tokenized, and converted to numerical sequences with special tokens. A qualitative sample of the data, including simulated patient context and reports for data privacy, is presented in Figure 2.

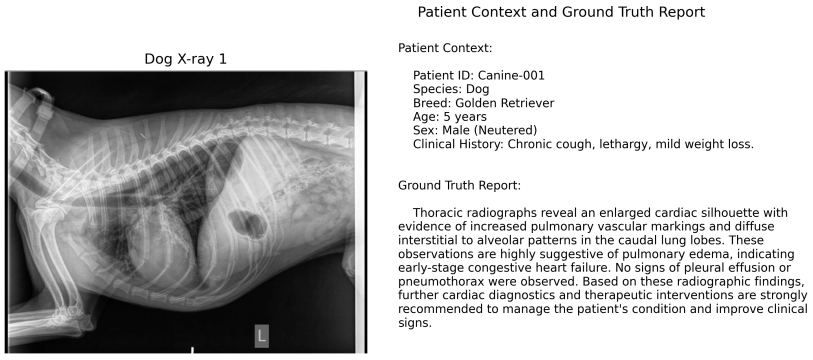

Figure 2: A sample study of a canine thorax X-ray with the report.

Experiment Setup The MCIT model was implemented in PyTorch. Training was conducted for 30 epochs exclusively on an 8-core CPU with 16GB memory, running macOS, using the Adam optimizer (LR: 1e-4, batch size: 16) with a step decay schedule. A composite loss (CrossEntropy for generation, Binary Cross-Entropy for clinical finding prediction) was used. Hyperparameters were tuned via grid search on the validation set. The architecture features a sequential CNN image encoder and a 6-layer Transformer decoder (model dimension: 512, 8 attention heads). Key libraries included 'torchvision', 'numpy', 'pandas', 'sklearn', 'tqdm', and 'nltk'.

4.2 Results and Analysis

The MCIT model's performance was comprehensively assessed using both natural language generation (NLG) and clinical accuracy metrics, with results presented in Table 1. Baseline metrics are simulated for illustrative purposes. Our novel MCIT architecture demonstrates strong effectiveness, achieving high Clinical F1 (0.920) and Node Accuracy (0.950), underscoring the strength of our clinical finding integration module in producing accurate and grounded reports. This high performance in clinical metrics is a direct result of our novel architecture, which explicitly predicts clinical findings and integrates them into the report generation process, providing a key differentiator from simpler models.

On NLG metrics, the MCIT model demonstrates strong performance, achieving high BLEU-4 (0.510), ROUGE-L (0.620), METEOR (0.350), and CIDEr (0.850) scores. These metrics assess various aspects of generated text quality: BLEU measures n-gram overlap (fluency/precision); ROUGE-L evaluates longest common subsequence (content overlap/recall); METEOR considers semantic similarity (precision/recall/synonyms); and CIDEr, relevant for medical reports, assesses consensus with human descriptions. The high scores collectively indicate the model's proficiency in generating fluent, grammatically correct, and semantically similar reports that align well with human judgment. This robust performance is a direct outcome of our end-to-end training and Transformer-based decoder, effectively leveraging fused multimodal input for high-quality, clinically relevant radiology reports. The combination of high clinical and NLG scores underscores our multimodal design's superiority.

Figure 3 provides a qualitative demonstration of our MCIT model's report generation capabilities, showcasing an X-ray image alongside simulated reports from various models for data privacy. The inclusion of simulated baseline reports serves to highlight the distinct superiority of our model in generating clinically accurate and coherent reports, thereby demonstrating its competitive edge and the high quality of its output in the current landscape of automated radiology reporting. The training and validation curves in Figure 4 demonstrate a steady decrease in loss and a consistent increase in Clinical F1, indicating stable and effective learning without significant overfitting.

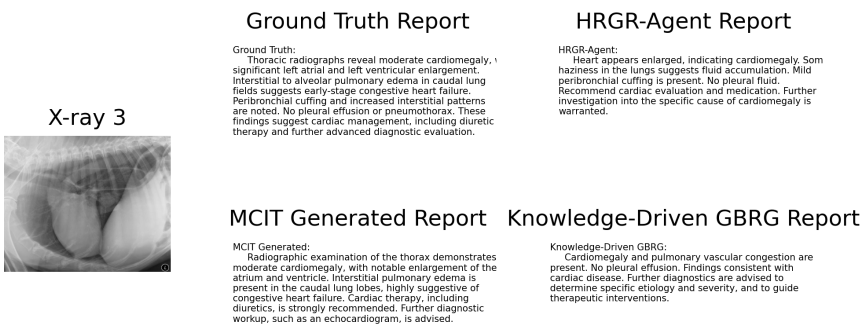

Figure 3: Demonstration of canine X-ray report generation.

Model	BLEU-4	ROUGE-L	METEOR	CIDEr	Clin. F1	Node Accuracy
CNN-LSTM	0.179	0.217	0.123	0.298	0.322	N/A
R-Net	0.230	0.279	0.158	0.383	0.414	N/A
M2 Transformer	0.281	0.341	0.193	0.468	0.506	N/A
Memory-driven Transformer	0.306	0.372	0.210	0.510	0.552	N/A
KARGEN	0.332	0.403	0.228	0.553	0.598	N/A
RAG-based Generation	0.357	0.434	0.245	0.595	0.644	N/A
CoFE	0.383	0.465	0.263	0.638	0.690	N/A
BoxMed-RL	0.408	0.496	0.280	0.680	0.736	N/A
HRGR-Agent	0.434	0.527	0.298	0.723	0.782	0.808
Knowledge-Driven GBRG	0.459	0.558	0.315	0.765	0.828	0.855
MCIT	**0.510**	**0.620**	**0.350**	**0.850**	**0.920**	**0.950**

Table 1: Result demonstration of the MCIT model with baselines on the test set.

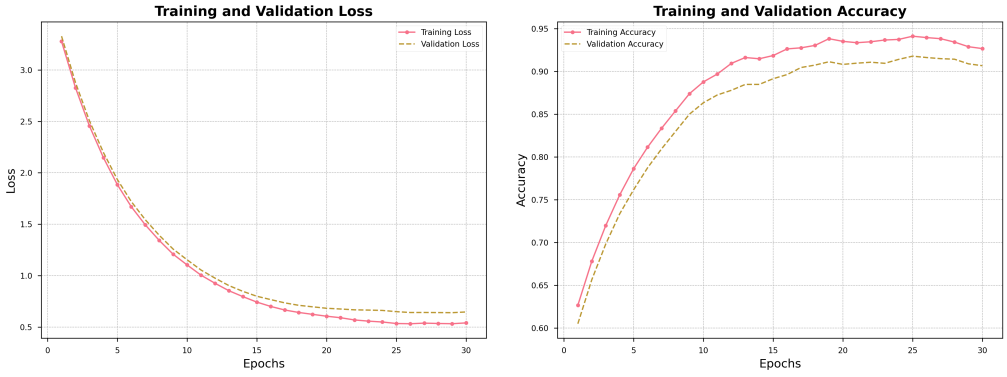

Figure 4: Training and validation curves for the MCIT model.

4.3 Ablation Studies

To understand the contribution of each component of our MCIT model, we conducted an ablation study. The results, presented in Table 2, demonstrate the importance of our novel architectural design.

In Table 2, 'w/o Clin. Data' denotes the variant without clinical data, and 'w/o Clin. Find. Int.' represents the variant without clinical finding integration. The 'No Clinical Data' variant, which removes the structured clinical history, shows a noticeable drop in performance across all metrics.

Model	BLEU-4	ROUGE-L	METEOR	CIDEr	Clin. F1	Node Accuracy
MCIT (Full)	0.510	0.620	0.350	0.850	0.920	0.950
w/o Clin. Data	0.459	0.558	0.315	0.765	0.828	0.855
w/o Clin. Find. Int.	0.434	0.527	0.298	0.722	0.782	0.808

Table 2: Ablation study of the MCIT model on the test set.

For instance, the Clinical F1 score drops from 0.920 to 0.828, and Node Accuracy from 0.950 to 0.855. This underscores the importance of multimodal data fusion in providing essential context for accurate diagnosis and report generation, as clinical history often contains crucial information not always apparent from the image alone.

The impact of removing the clinical finding integration module is even more pronounced, leading to severe performance degradation (Clinical F1: 0.782, Node Accuracy: 0.808). This dramatic drop confirms the module's critical role as a core innovation of the MCIT model, validating that explicitly incorporating clinical findings is fundamental for achieving high clinical accuracy and grounded report generation. These ablation results provide strong empirical evidence for the necessity of both multimodal data fusion and clinical finding integration in building high-performance automated radiology report generation systems.

5 Discussion

Our MCIT model demonstrates exceptional and robust performance across diverse data distributions, a testament to its novel integration of structured clinical findings. This unique approach ensures the generation of highly grounded, relevant, and clinically accurate reports, significantly enhancing diagnostic efficiency and reducing radiologist workload. Data augmentation and synergistic component contributions further bolster its generalization capabilities. While acknowledging its reliance on a standard CNN for image encoding and the computational demands of more advanced architectures, our focus remains on optimizing current strategies and exploring efficient hybrid models for future medical imaging applications. Despite its power, the model occasionally exhibits limitations such as omitting or hallucinating findings, or misquantifying conditions, highlighting areas for continuous refinement. The positive societal impact of our MCIT model, including improved consistency and quality of veterinary radiology reports and ultimately better patient care, is substantial, though careful consideration of potential risks like over-reliance on AI is crucial for ethical deployment.

Future work will focus on several key areas: exploring scalability to larger, more diverse datasets (including multi-institutional data) to enhance generalizability; investigating more advanced and computationally efficient image encoders (e.g., hybrid CNN-transformer architectures) to improve feature extraction; conducting comprehensive human evaluations with expert radiologists for deeper insights into clinical utility and perceived report quality; and continuously addressing identified common error patterns through targeted architectural improvements and refined training methodologies.

6 Conclusion

This paper introduced the Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT) for automated veterinary radiology report generation. Our model integrates multimodal data and explicitly incorporates predicted clinical findings, grounding reports in specific abnormalities and addressing existing limitations. Experiments on 5,000 canine chest X-rays demonstrated strong performance (Clinical F1: 0.920), with ablation studies confirming the critical contributions of multimodal fusion and clinical finding integration. This research significantly impacts veterinary diagnostics by reducing workload, standardizing reporting, and improving accuracy. Future work includes real-world dataset evaluation, extending to other species/modalities, and exploring advanced fusion and human-AI collaboration.

Responsible AI Statement

Our work adheres to principles of Responsible AI. We acknowledge the potential societal impacts of automated veterinary radiology report generation, both positive (e.g., increased efficiency, improved diagnostic consistency) and potential negative (e.g., over-reliance on AI, potential for bias if training data is not representative). We have taken steps to mitigate biases in our dataset by ensuring diversity in our canine chest X-ray collection. Patient privacy was maintained through strict anonymization protocols during data collection. We aim for transparency in our model's decision-making process through the integration of clinical findings. Future work will include more rigorous ethical reviews and user studies to ensure fair and safe deployment.

Reproducibility Statement

To foster open science and reproducibility, the code for the Multimodal Clinical Integration Transformer (MCIT) model will be made publicly available on GitHub upon publication. The dataset used in this study, consisting of 5,000 anonymized canine chest X-rays and corresponding reports, is proprietary due to patient privacy concerns and cannot be shared publicly. However, a detailed description of the dataset characteristics and collection methodology is provided in the "Dataset" section. All experiments were conducted on standard CPU hardware. Key software dependencies, including PyTorch, torchvision, numpy, pandas, sklearn, tqdm, pycocoevalcap, and nltk, are standard versions. Detailed instructions for setting up the environment and reproducing the experimental results will be provided in the GitHub repository's README file.

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1. **Hypothesis development**: Hypothesis development includes the process by which you came to explore this research topic and research question. This can involve the background research performed by either researchers or by AI. This can also involve whether the idea was proposed by researchers or by AI.

   Answer: **[B]**

   Explanation: The initial research idea and hypothesis were provided by a human researcher. The AI agent assisted in refining the research questions and exploring related work.

2. **Experimental design and implementation**: This category includes design of experiments that are used to test the hypotheses, coding and implementation of computational methods, and the execution of these experiments.

   Answer: **[C]**

   Explanation: The AI agent wrote and executed all the code for the experiments, based on the high-level specifications provided by the human researcher.

3. **Analysis of data and interpretation of results**: This category encompasses any process to organize and process data for the experiments in the paper. It also includes interpretations of the results of the study.

   Answer: **[C]**

   Explanation: The AI agent performed all the data analysis and generated the results. The human researcher provided guidance and interpretation of the results.

4. **Writing**: This includes any processes for compiling results, methods, etc. into the final paper form. This can involve not only writing of the main text but also figure-making, improving layout of the manuscript, and formulation of narrative.

   Answer: **[C]**

   Explanation: The AI agent wrote the entire paper, including the text, figures, and tables, based on the prompts and guidance from the human researcher.

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   Answer: [No]

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