

Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing

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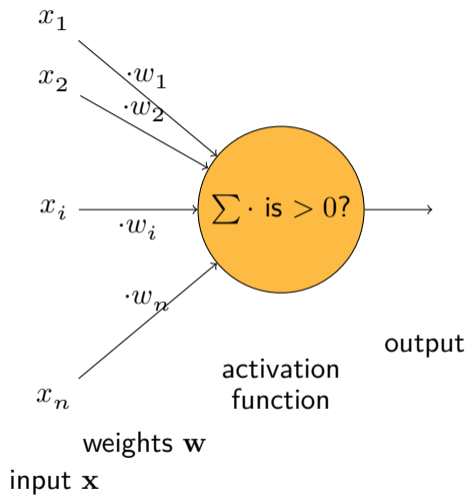
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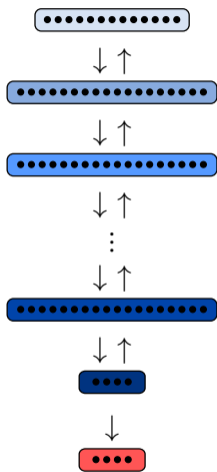
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Neural Network



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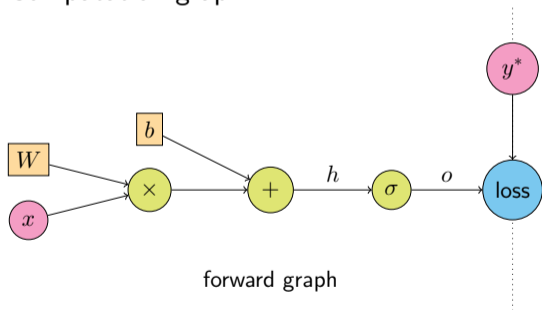
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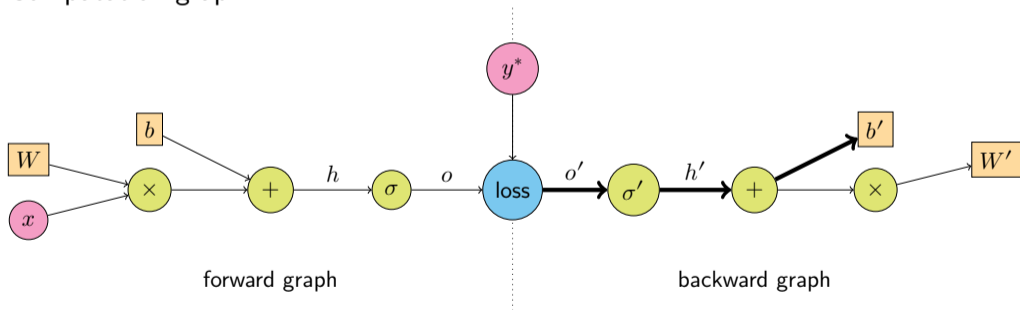


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research and prototyping in Python



- graph statically constructed, symbolic computation
- computation happens in a session
- allows graph export and running as a binary



- computations written dynamically as normal procedural code
- easy debugging: inspecting variables at any time of the computation

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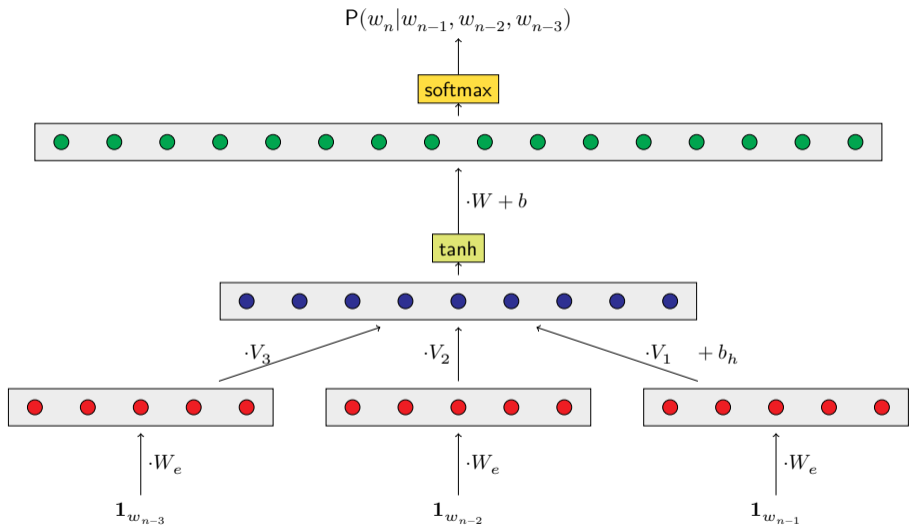
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- Let's simulate it with a neural network:

$$\dots \approx F(w_{i-1}, \dots, w_{i-n} | \theta)$$

θ is a set of trainable parameters.

Simple Neural Language Model



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The first hidden layer is then:

$$h_1 = V_{w_{i-n}} \oplus V_{w_{i-n+1}} \oplus \dots \oplus V_{w_{i-1}}$$

Matrix V is shared for all words.

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- in deep learning models: embeddings initialization speeds up training / allows complex model with less data

Implementation in PyTorch I

```
import torch
import torch.nn as nn

class LanguageModel(nn.Module):
    def __init__(self, vocab_size, embedding_dim, hidden_dim):
        super().__init__()

        self.embedding = nn.Embedding(vocab_size, embedding_dim)
        self.hidden_layer = nn.Linear(3 * embedding_dim, hidden_dim)
        self.output_layer = nn.Linear(hidden_dim, vocab_size)
        self.loss_function = nn.CrossEntropyLoss()

    def forward(self, word_1, word_2, word_3, target=None):
        embedded_1 = self.embedding(word_1)
        embedded_2 = self.embedding(word_2)
        embedded_3 = self.embedding(word_3)
```

Implementation in PyTorch II

```
hidden = torch.tanh(self.hidden_layer(
    torch.cat(embedded_1, embedded_2, embedded_3)))
logits = self.output_layer(hidden)

loss = None
if target is not None:
    loss = self.loss_function(logits, targets)

return logits, loss
```

Implementation in TensorFlow 1

```
import tensorflow as tf

input_words = [tf.placeholder(tf.int32, shape=[None]) for _ in range(3)]
target_word = tf.placeholder(tf.int32, shape=[None])

embeddings = tf.get_variable(tf.float32, shape=[vocab_size, emb_dim])
embedded_words = tf.concat([tf.nn.embedding_lookup(w) for w in input_words])

hidden_layer = tf.layers.dense(embedded_words, hidden_size, activation=tf.tanh)
output_layer = tf.layers.dense(hidden_layer, vocab_size, activation=None)
output_probabilities = tf.nn.softmax(output_layer)

loss = tf.nn.cross_entropy_with_logits(output_layer, target_words)

optimizer = tf.optimizers.AdamOptimizers()
train_op = optimizer.minimize(loss)
```


Implementation in TensorFlow II

```
session = tf.Session()  
# initialize variables
```

Training given batch

```
_, loss_value = session.run([train_op, loss], feed_dict={  
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    target_word: ...  
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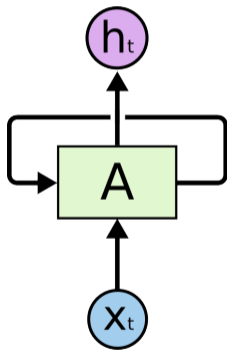
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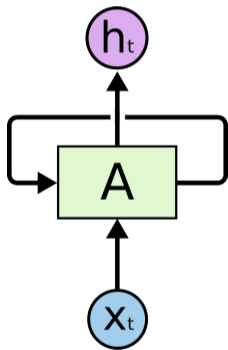
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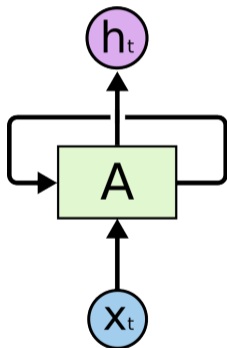
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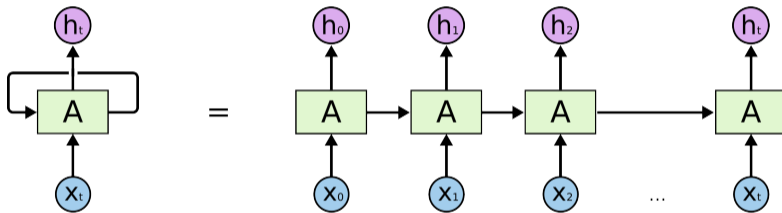


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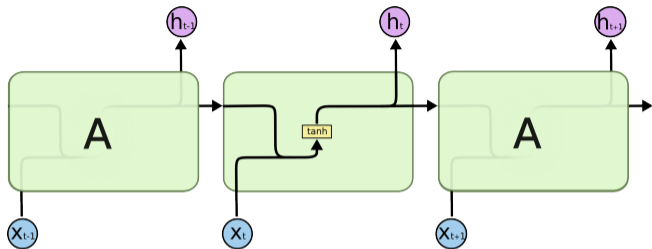
RNN as Imperative Code

```
def rnn(initial_state, inputs):  
    prev_state = initial_state  
    for x in inputs:  
        new_state, output = rnn_cell(x, prev_state)  
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    yield output
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RNN as a Fancy Image

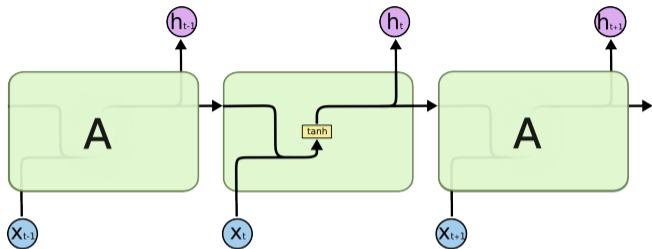


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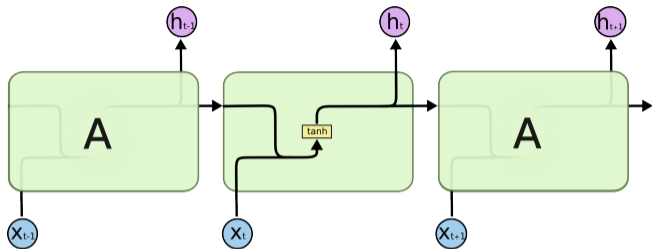
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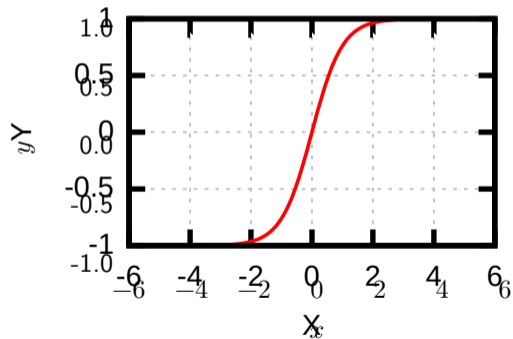


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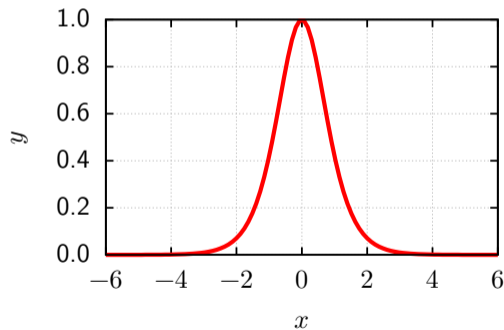
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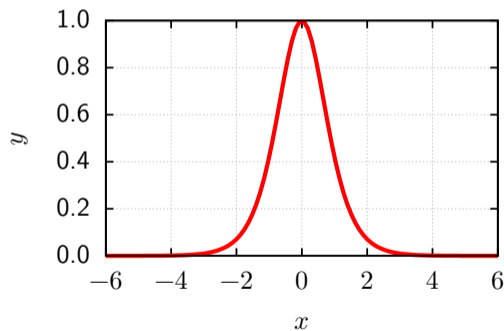
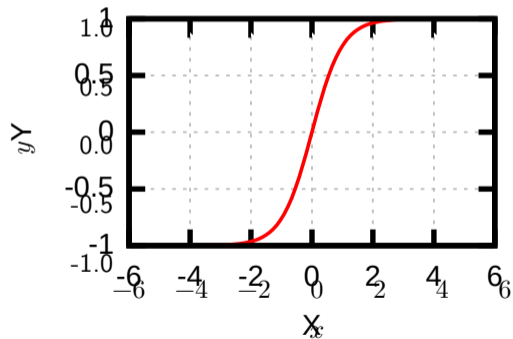
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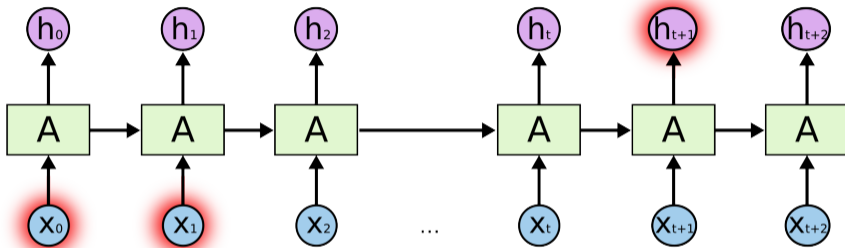
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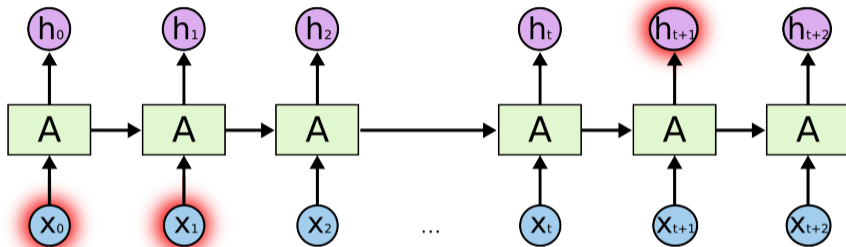


Weight initialized $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ to have gradients further from zero.

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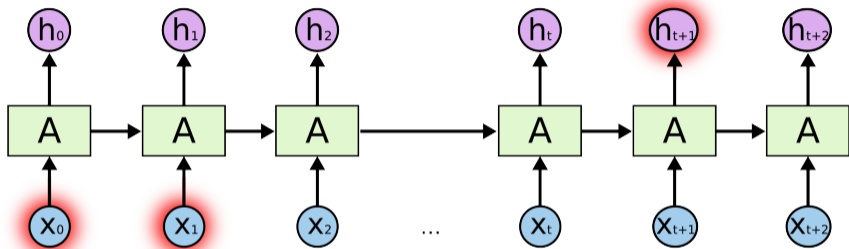


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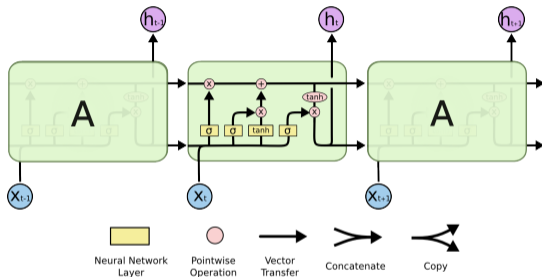
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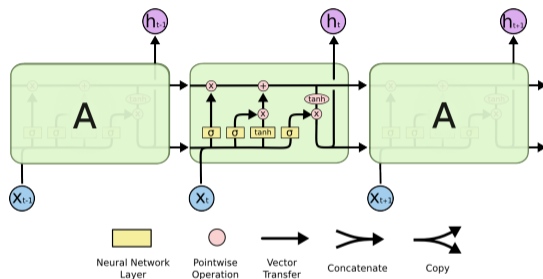
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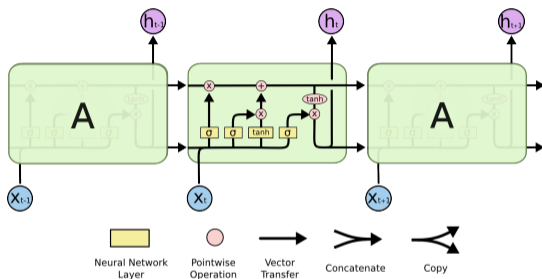


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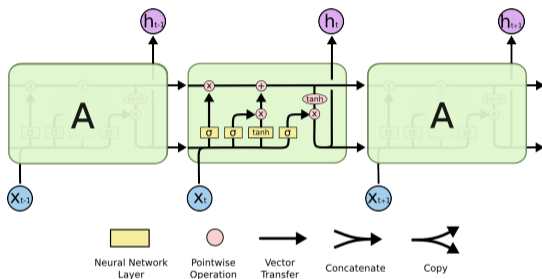
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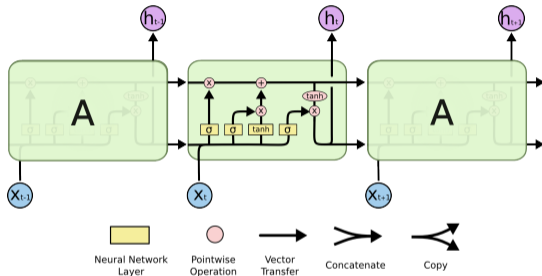
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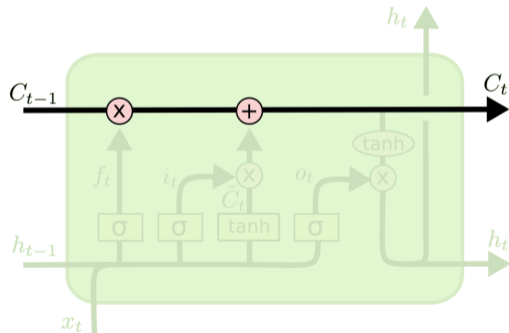


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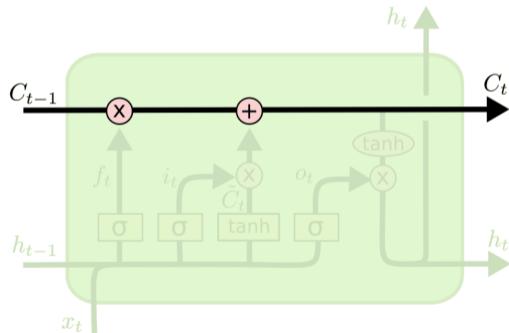
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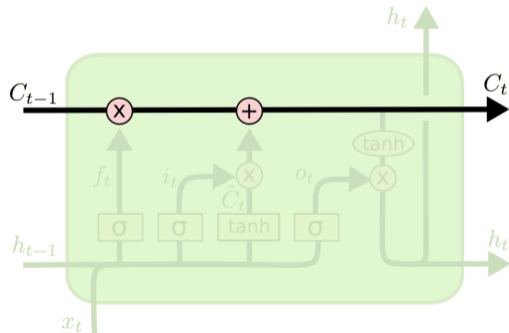
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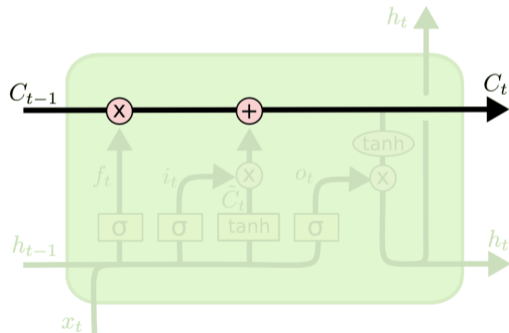
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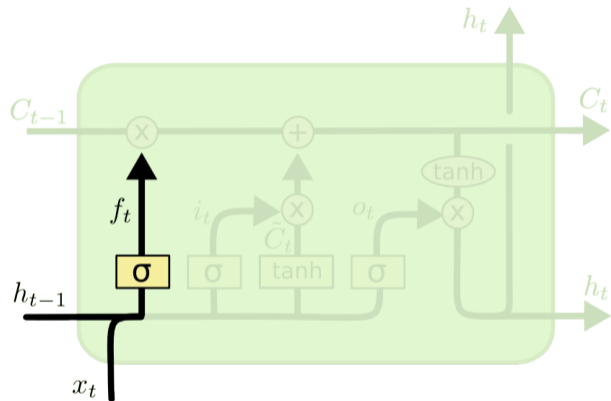


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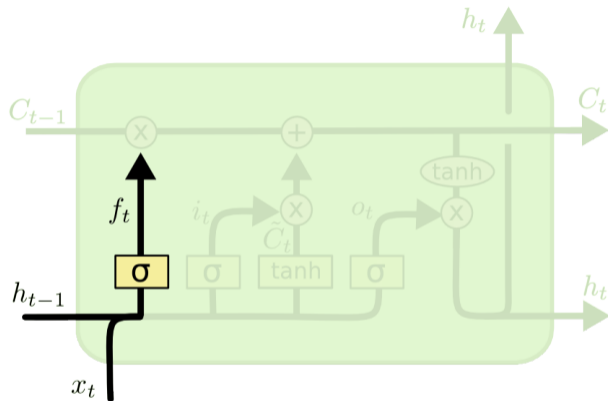


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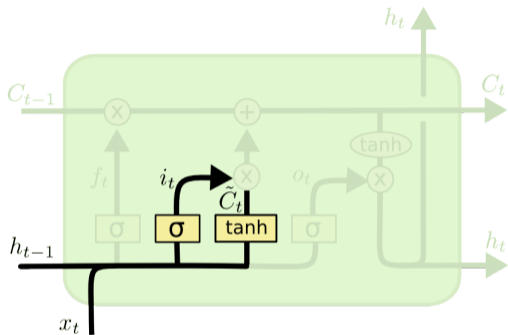
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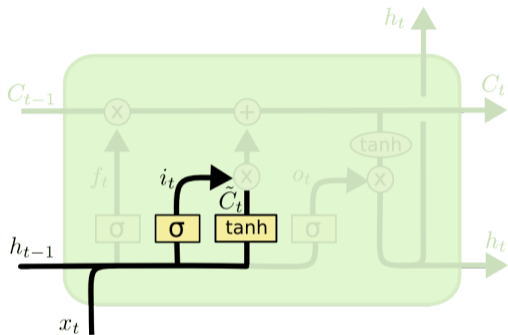
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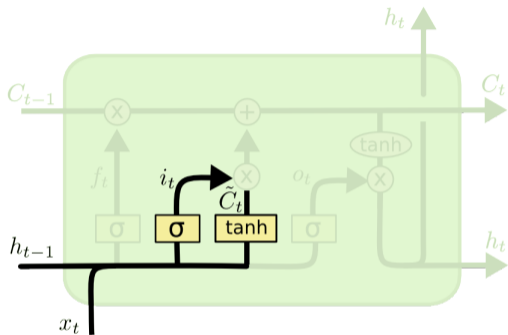


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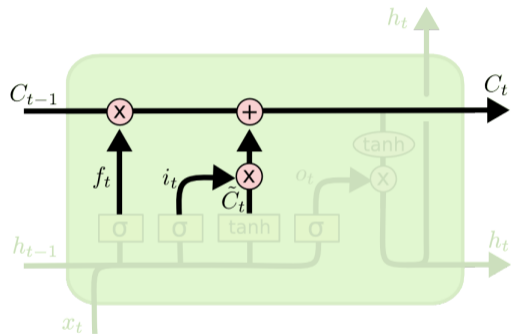


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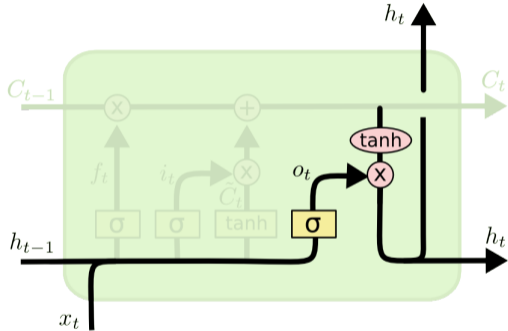
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LSTM: Cell State Update



$$C_t = f_t \odot C_{t-1} + i_t \odot \tilde{C}_t$$

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Question How would you implement it efficiently?
Compute all gates in a single matrix multiplication.

Gated Recurrent Units

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remember gate

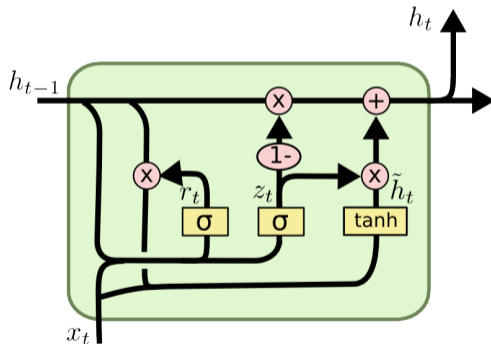
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candidate hidden state

$$\tilde{h}_t = \tanh(x_t W_h + (r_t \odot h_{t-1}) U_h) \in (-1, 1)$$

hidden state

$$h_t = (1 - z_t) \odot h_{t-1} + z_t \cdot \tilde{h}_t$$



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RNN in PyTorch

```
rnn = nn.LSTM(input_dim, hidden_dim=512, num_layers=1,  
             bidirectional=True, dropout=0.8)  
output, (hidden, cell) = self.rnn(x)
```

<https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html?highlight=lstm#torch.nn.LSTM>

RNN in TensorFlow

```
inputs = ... # float tf.Tensor of shape [batch, length, dim]
lengths = ... # int tf.Tensor of shape [batch]

# Cell objects are templates
fw_cell = tf.nn.rnn_cell.LSTMCell(512, name="fw_cell")
bw_cell = tf.nn.rnn_cell.LSTMCell(512, name="bw_cell")

outputs, states = tf.nn.bidirectional_dynamic_rnn(
    cell_fw, cell_bw, inputs, sequence_length=lengths)
```

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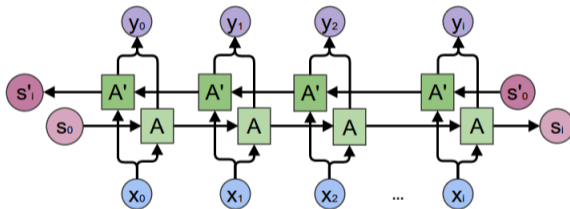


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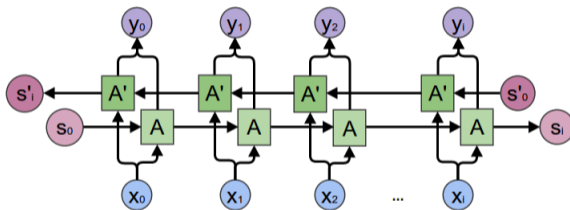


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Representing Sequences
Convolutional Networks

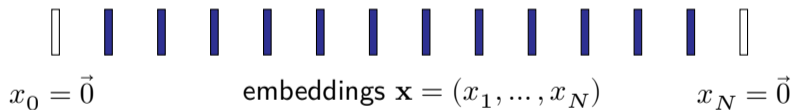
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embeddings $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$

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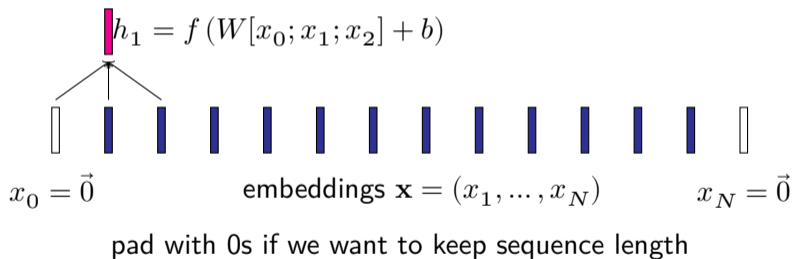
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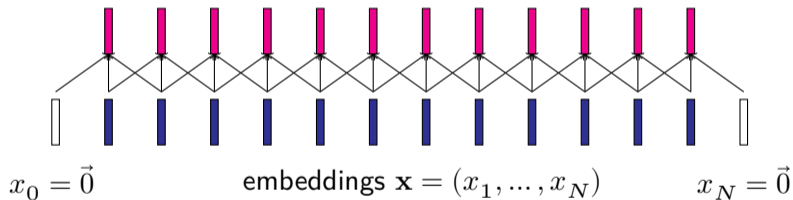
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1-D Convolution: Pseudocode

```
xs = ... # input sequence

kernel_size = 3 # window size
filters = 300 # output dimensions
strides=1      # step size

W = trained_parameter(xs.shape[2] * kernel_size, filters)
b = trained_parameter(filters)
window = kernel_size // 2

outputs = []
for i in range(window, xs.shape[1] - window):
    h = np.mul(W, xs[i - window:i + window]) + b
    outputs.append(h)
return np.array(h)
```


1-D Convolution: Frameworks

TensorFlow

```
h = tf.layers.conv1d(x, filters=300, kernel_size=3,  
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```

https://www.tensorflow.org/api_docs/python/tf/layers/conv1d

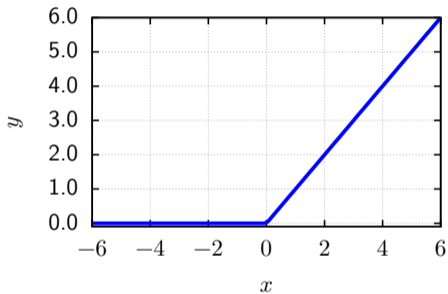
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conv = nn.Conv1d(in_channels, out_channels=300, kernel_size=3, stride=1,  
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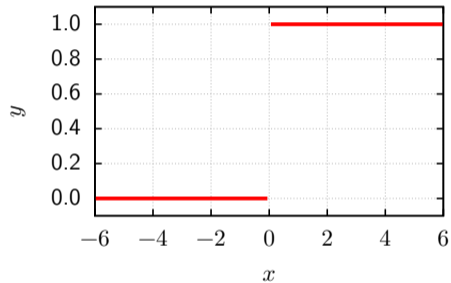
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Rectified Linear Units

ReLU:



Derivative of ReLU:

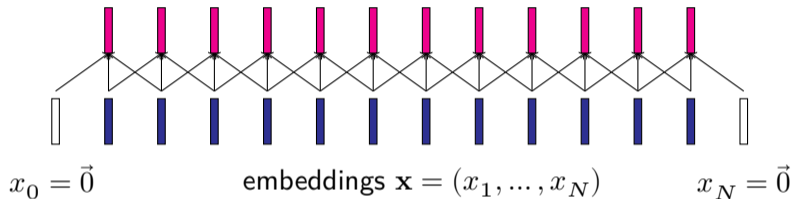


faster, suffer less with vanishing gradient

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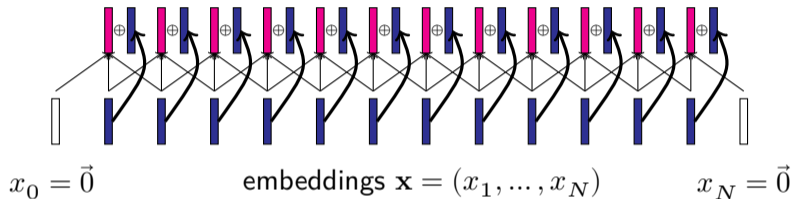
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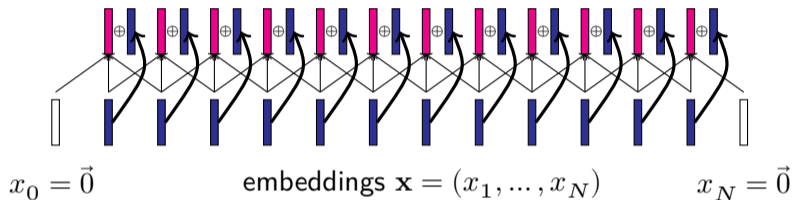
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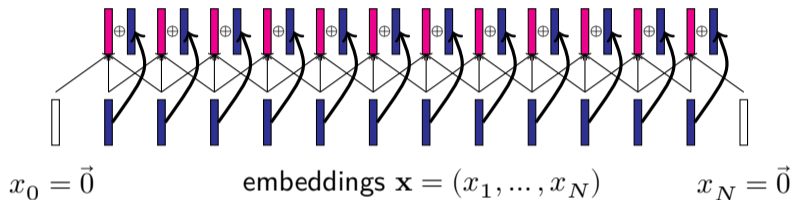
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Residual Connections: Numerical Stability

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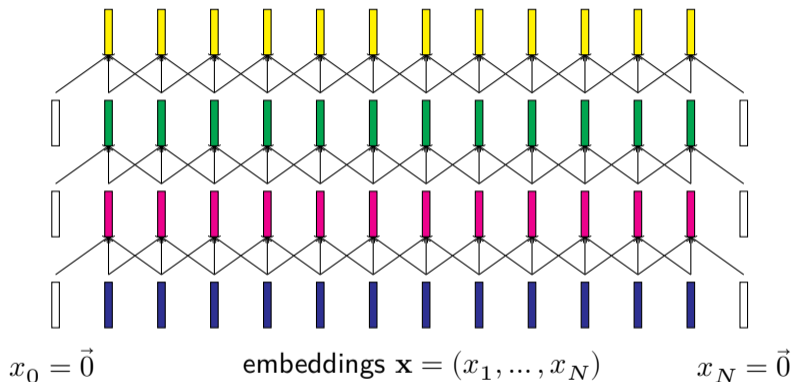
$$\bar{a}_i = \frac{g_i}{\sigma_i} (a_i - \mu_i)$$

... g is a trainable parameter, μ , σ estimated from data.

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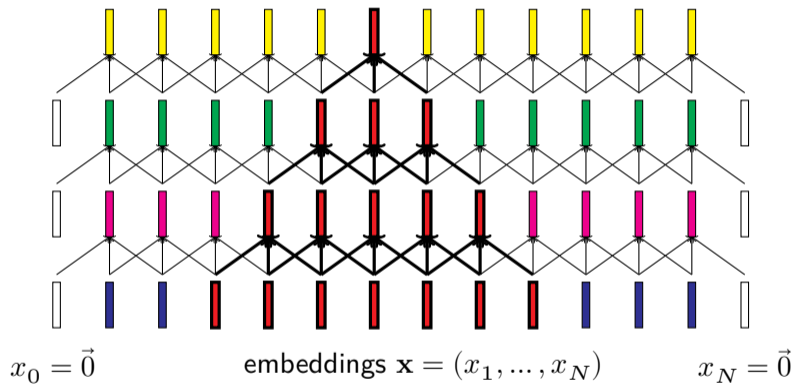
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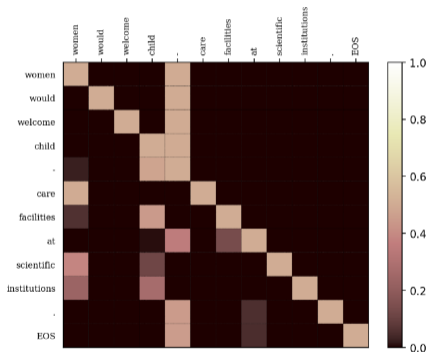
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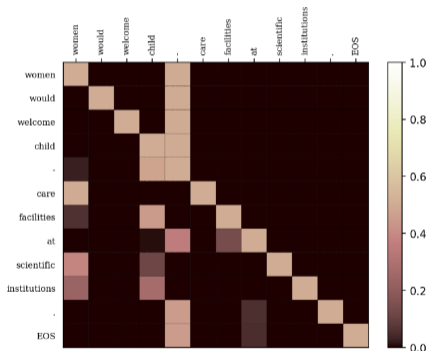
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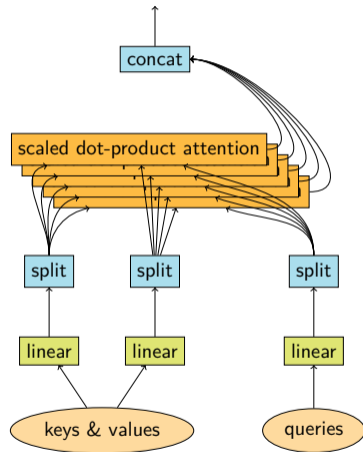
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Dot-Product Attention in PyTorch

```
def attention(query, key, value, mask=None):
    d_k = query.size(-1)
    scores = torch.matmul(query, key.transpose(-2, -1)) \
        / math.sqrt(d_k)
    p_attn = F.softmax(scores, dim = -1)
    return torch.matmul(p_attn, value), p_attn
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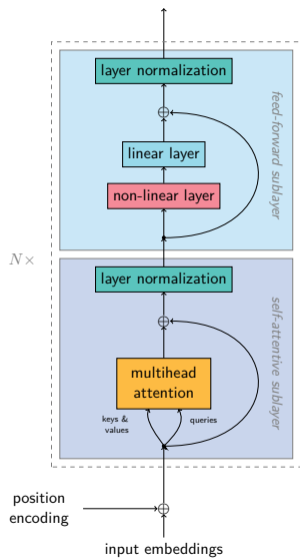
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```
def scaled_dot_product(self, queries, keys, values):  
    o1 = tf.matmul(queries, keys, transpose_b=True)  
    o2 = o1 / (dim**0.5)  
  
    o3 = tf.nn.softmax(o2)  
    return tf.matmul(o3, values)
```

Model is not aware of the position in the sequence.

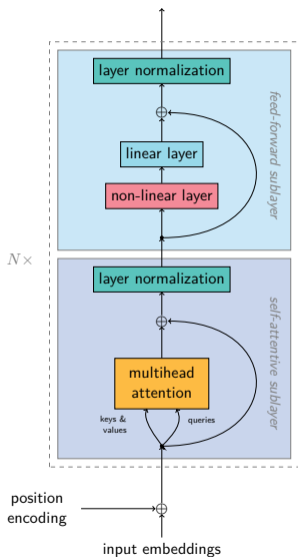
$$\text{pos}(i) = \begin{cases} \sin\left(\frac{t}{10^4} \frac{i}{d}\right), & \text{if } i \bmod 2 = 0 \\ \cos\left(\frac{t}{10^4} \frac{i-1}{d}\right), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Stacking self-attentive Layers



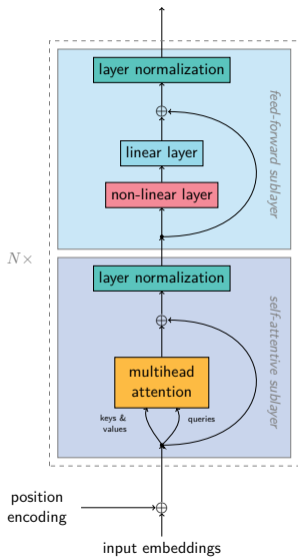
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Architectures Comparison

	computation	sequential operations	memory
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d model dimension, n sequence length, k convolutional kernel

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Network error = cross-entropy between estimated distribution and one-hot ground-truth distribution $T = \mathbf{1}(y^*)$:

$$\begin{aligned} L(P_y, y^*) = H(P, T) &= -\mathbb{E}_{i \sim T} \log P(i) \\ &= -\sum_i T(i) \log P(i) \\ &= -\log P(y^*) \end{aligned}$$

Derivative of Cross-Entropy

Let $l = \mathbf{x}^\top W + b$, l_{y^*} corresponds to the correct one.

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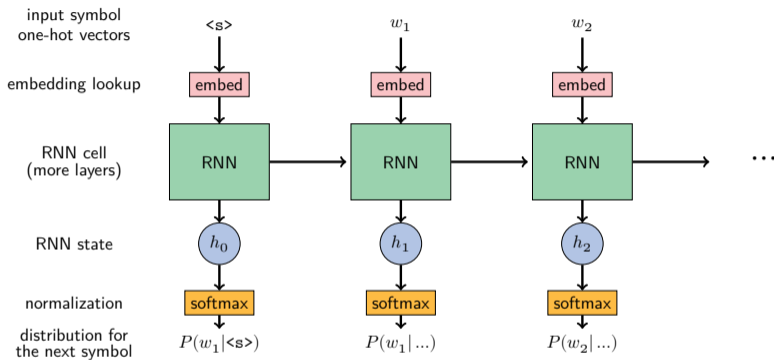
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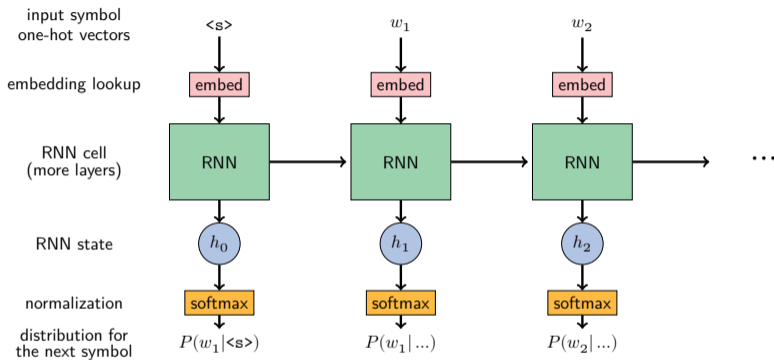
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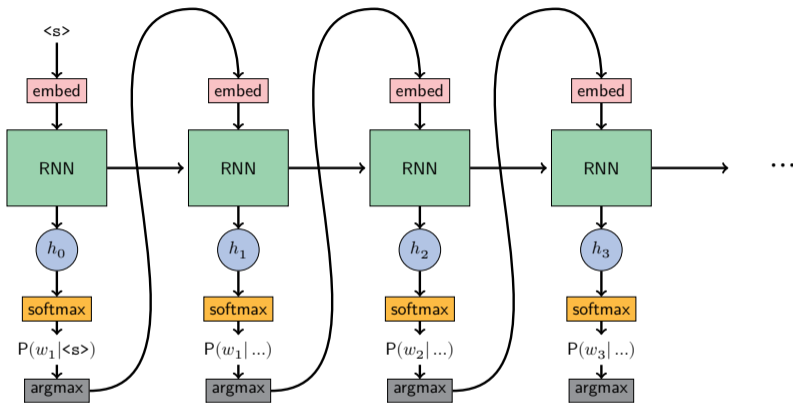
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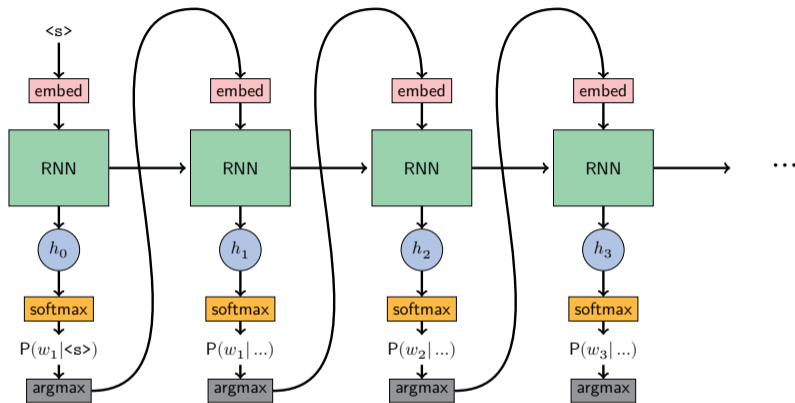
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Autoregressive Decoding: Pseudocode

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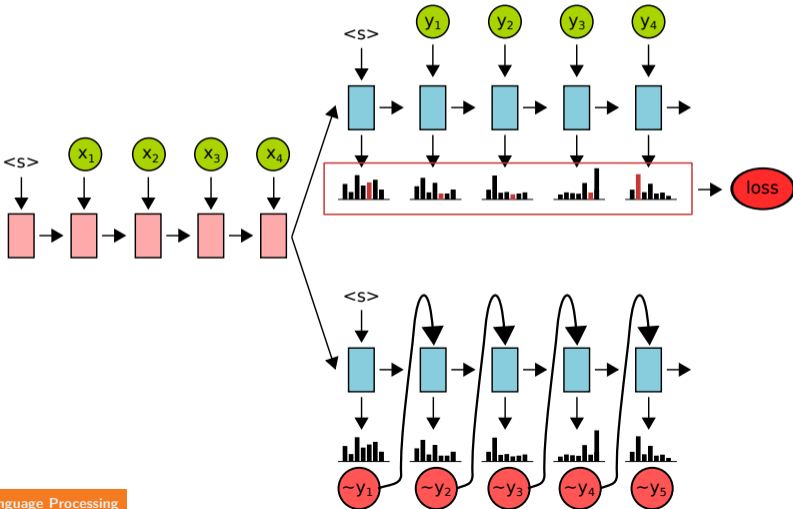
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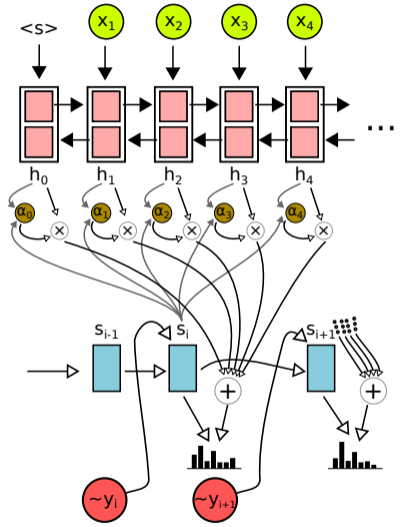
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Implementation: Runtime vs. training

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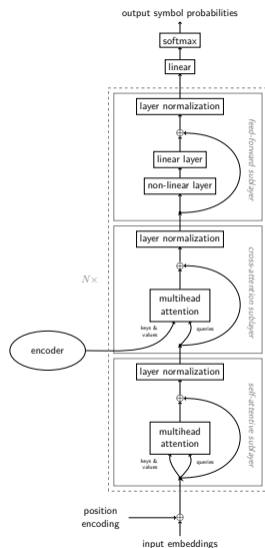
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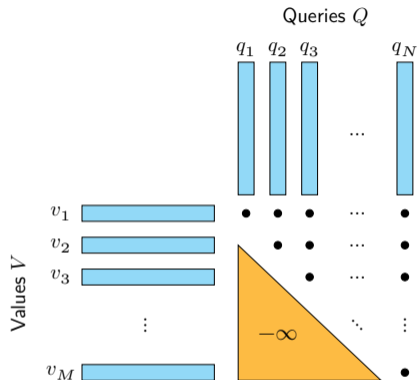
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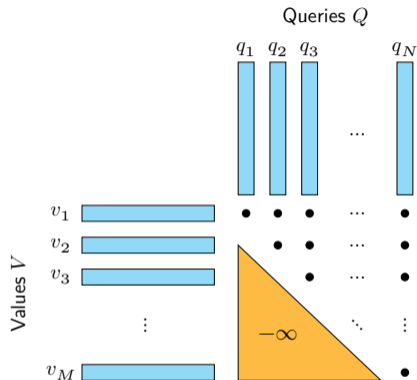
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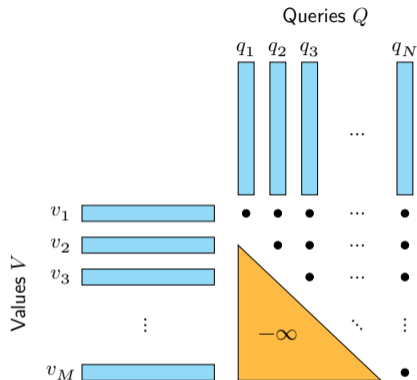
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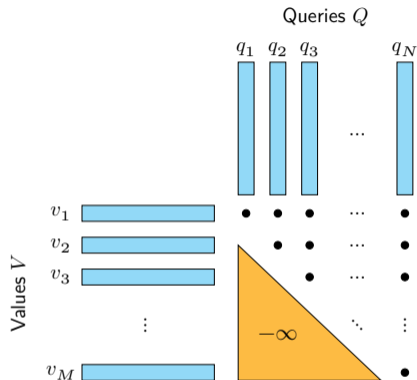
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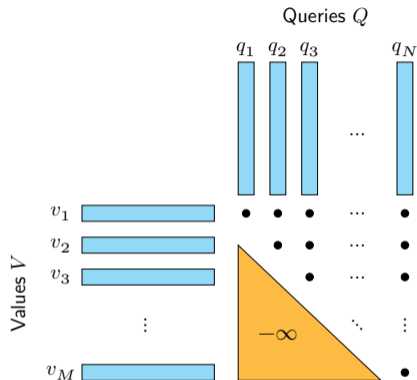
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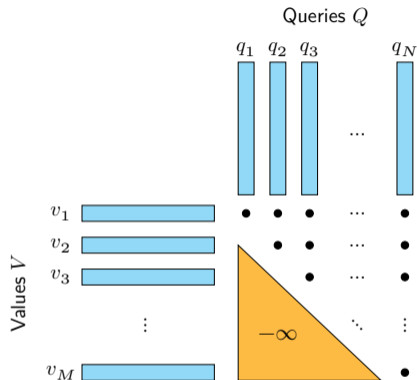
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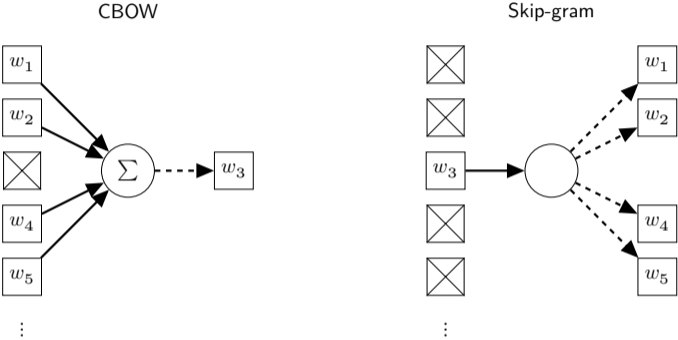
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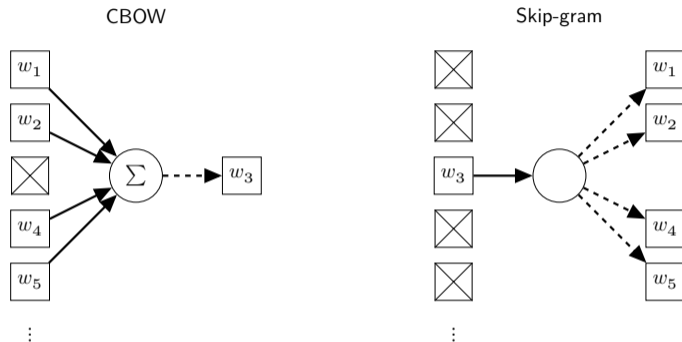
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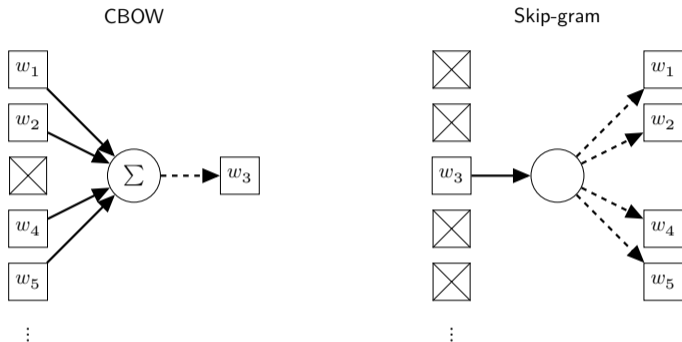
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Word2Vec: sampling

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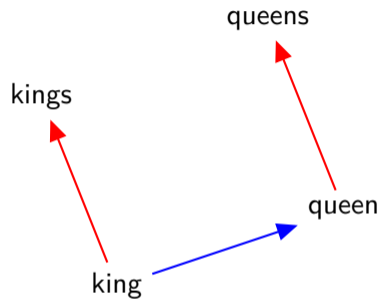
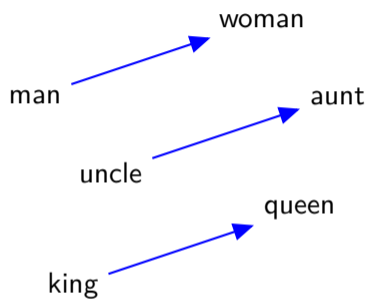


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FastText – Word2Vec model implementation by Facebook

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText>

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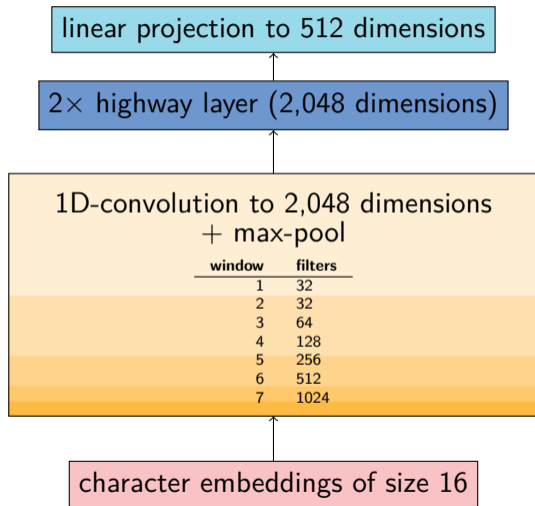
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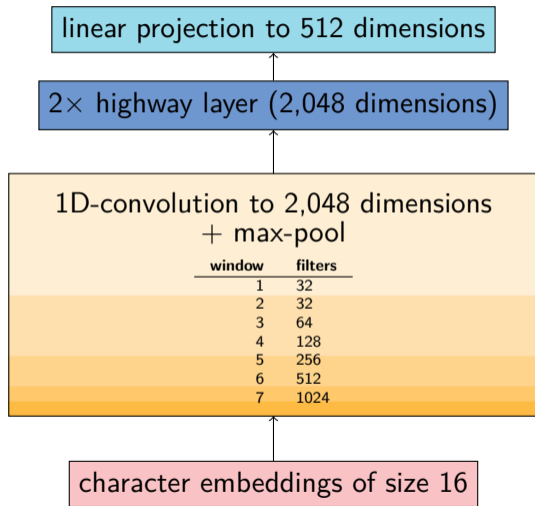
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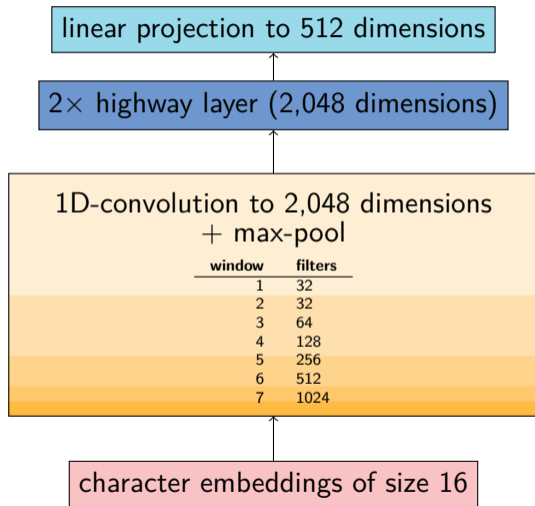
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γ^{task} , s_L^{task} trainable parameters.

Task where ELMo helps

Answer Span Selection

Find an answer to a question in a unstructured text.

Semantic Role Labeling

Detect *who* did *what* to *whom* in sentences.

Natural Language Inference

Decide whether two sentences are in agreement, contradict each other, or have nothing to do with each other.

Named Entity Recognition

Detect and classify names people, locations, organization, numbers with units, email addresses, URLs, phone numbers ...

Coreference Resolution

Detect what entities pronouns refer to.

Semantic Similarity

Measure how similar meaning two sentences have. (Think of clustering similar question on StackOverflow or detecting plagiarism.)

Improvements by Elmo

TASK	PREVIOUS SOTA		OUR BASELINE	ELMO + BASELINE	INCREASE (ABSOLUTE/ RELATIVE)
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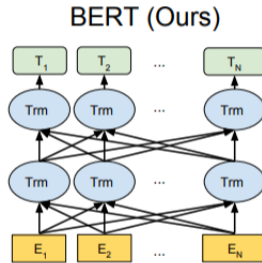
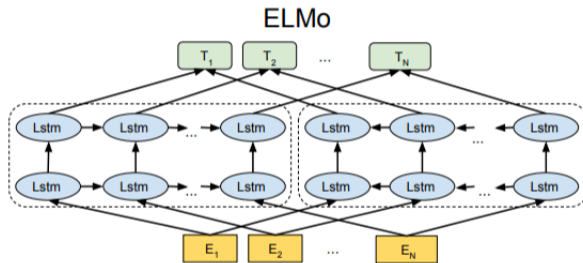
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Masked Language Model

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Then a classifier should predict the missing/replaced word free

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- decide for a pair of consecutive sentences whether they follow each other

Performance of BERT

System	MNLI-(m/mm)	QQP	QNLI	SST-2	CoLA	STS-B	MRPC	RTE	Average
	392k	363k	108k	67k	8.5k	5.7k	3.5k	2.5k	-
Pre-OpenAI SOTA	80.6/80.1	66.1	82.3	93.2	35.0	81.0	86.0	61.7	74.0
BiLSTM+ELMo+Attn	76.4/76.1	64.8	79.9	90.4	36.0	73.3	84.9	56.8	71.0
OpenAI GPT	82.1/81.4	70.3	88.1	91.3	45.4	80.0	82.3	56.0	75.2
BERT _{BASE}	84.6/83.4	71.2	90.1	93.5	52.1	85.8	88.9	66.4	79.6
BERT _{LARGE}	86.7/85.9	72.1	91.1	94.9	60.5	86.5	89.3	70.1	81.9

Table 1: GLUE Test results, scored by the GLUE evaluation server. The number below each task denotes the number of training examples. The “Average” column is slightly different than the official GLUE score, since we exclude the problematic WNLI set. OpenAI GPT = (L=12, H=768, A=12); BERT_{BASE} = (L=12, H=768, A=12); BERT_{LARGE} = (L=24, H=1024, A=16). BERT and OpenAI GPT are single-model, single task. All results obtained from <https://gluebenchmark.com/leaderboard> and <https://blog.openai.com/language-unsupervised/>.

System	Dev		Test	
	EM	F1	EM	F1
Leaderboard (Oct 8th, 2018)				
Human	-	-	82.3	91.2
#1 Ensemble - nlnet	-	-	86.0	91.7
#2 Ensemble - QANet	-	-	84.5	90.5
#1 Single - nlnet	-	-	83.5	90.1
#2 Single - QANet	-	-	82.5	89.3
Published				
BiDAF+ELMo (Single)	-	85.8	-	-
R.M. Reader (Single)	78.9	86.3	79.5	86.6
R.M. Reader (Ensemble)	81.2	87.9	82.3	88.5
Ours				
BERT _{BASE} (Single)	80.8	88.5	-	-
BERT _{LARGE} (Single)	84.1	90.9	-	-
BERT _{LARGE} (Ensemble)	85.8	91.8	-	-
BERT _{LARGE} (Sgl.+TriviaQA)	84.2	91.1	85.1	91.8
BERT _{LARGE} (Ens.+TriviaQA)	86.2	92.2	87.4	93.2

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