### **Embedding Vectors**

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### About

- Highly effective in several domains e.g. Natural Language Processing (Word2Vec)
- Finding more applications across machine learning problems generally

An Embedding Vector is simply a series of numbers that attempts to encode latent features of an object, e.g.

- A word / sentence
- A customer
- A movie
- .....

# Canonical Example -- Text Encoding

- Traditionally, models, say text classification, utilized a bag of words approach or some variant
  - Length of the variable = size of the vocabulary the vector is sparse all zeros except for position "i" which represents the specific term
  - "Cat": [0,0,0...,0,0,1,0,0,....0]
  - "Pet": [0,0,1...,0,0,0,0,0,....0]

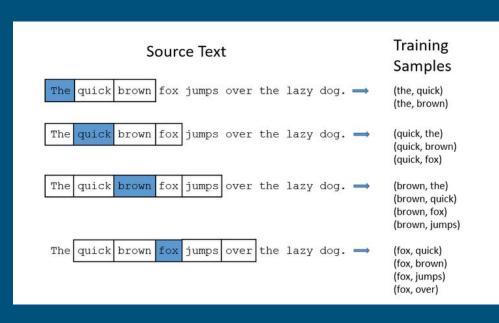
#### Problems:

- Very large sparse vectors are hard to work with in downstream algorithms
- Related words encoded orthogonally
- Need for heuristics such as word stemming, stop word removal, user maintained dictionaries of synonyms / domain specific words etc

#### Solution: Word2Vec

- Originally published by Google researcher in 2013.
- Many variants and subsequent alternatives
- The basic idea:
  - Represent a word as as dense vector
  - "Cat" = [0.2,-1.25,-0.0256,...0.45]
- Benefits
  - Size of the vector is much smaller than Bag-of-Words (e.g. 200)
  - Related words are similar in vector space terms (e.g cosine similarity)

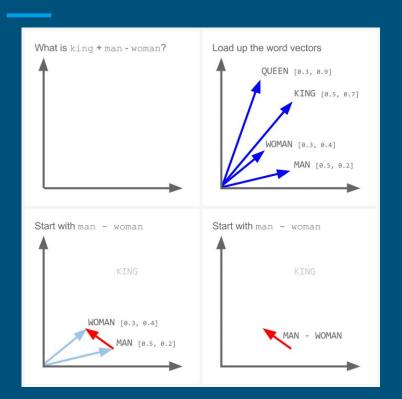
# Word2Vec : Basic Idea of Skip-gram method



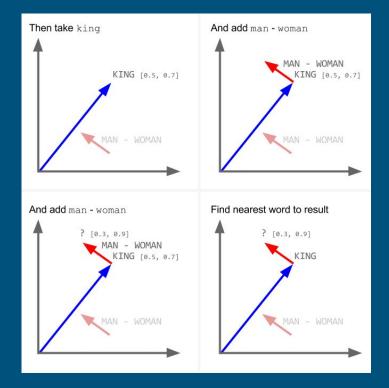
- Window through a corpus
- Select a word (e.g. quick)
- Predict the likelihood that another word
   (e.g. fox) is within the context of the word
   -- context here is a window size of 2
- Train a neural network with positive and randomly chosen negative examples
- The weights from a shallow net are the vectors for a given word
- Words with similar context will have learned representations that are similar
  - E.g. Cat and Pet, Smart and Intelligent

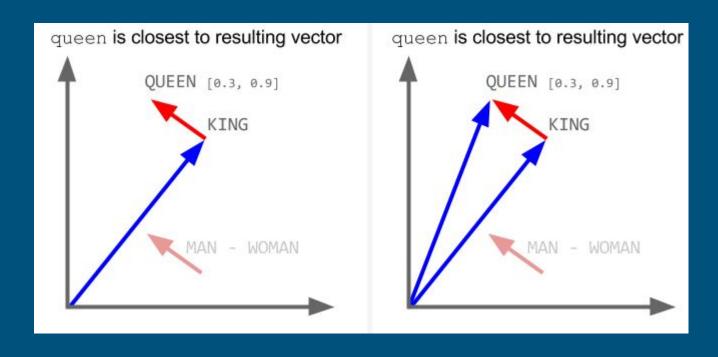
- Intuitively....the elements of a vector describe concepts or characteristics of a term
  - E.g. One element of "King" may describe the strength of "gender"
  - Found that simple operations on these vectors displayed deeper concepts

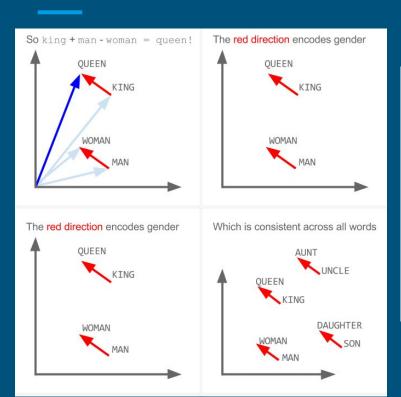
- If we take the vector for "king", subtract the vector for "man" and add the vector of "woman", the resulting vector will be the closest to....the vector for queen (cosine similarity)
  - King man removes the male gender component from the concept of monarch

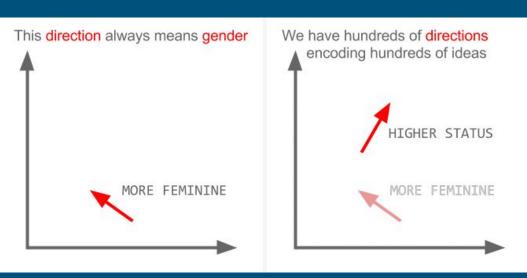


- [0.5,0.2] [0.3,0.4] = [0.2,-0.2] (Man - Woman)
- [0.5,0.7] [0.2,-0.2] = [0.3,0.9] (King + (Man - Woman)) ~ Queen









#### Closing Thoughts

- o Intuitively the components of the vectors are concepts or mixtures of concepts
- In practice not always interpretable
- The vector dimension is often chosen empirically
- Easy to train vectors on your own domain if you have enough data, else use pre-trained ones (e.g. trained on massive corpus like wikipedia) and fine tune them (transfer learning) for your task

# **Entity Embeddings**

- Generalization Not just for words or text
- A word is just some 'token', so extend this idea to things like
  - Customer IDs
  - Movie IDs
  - Zip codes
  - 0 .....
- Being used for state of the art predictive models
  - Allows use of high cardinality nominal variables like a customer's census tract
  - Even used for lower cardinality variables like a customers State (replacing dummy variables)

# Application : Recommendation Engines

User Latent Factors			
#1	#2	#3	User ID
0.8949101073	-0.6265794545	0.74757374	0
0.7947220104	0.8636220878	0.312756333	1
-0.2558703818	0.8342031778	0.081368916	2
0.940665854	-0.5790454715	0.962063664	3
0.9222317515	0.9514060606	0.432131189	4
0.8462968955	0.1530153498	-0.50570987	5
0.1811727399	0.1472382755	0.756643752	6

Movie Latent Factors			
#1	#2	#3	Movie ID
0.8239053285	0.8610092645	0.083420775	0
0.3149946319	0.2860168437	0.179063335	1
0.528859128	-0.8185830713	-0.519957348	2
-0.3441695914	0.1525521576	0.133796819	3
0.851516663	-0.2228508417	0.227523797	4

User Factor #1: How much user 0 likes action movies?

Movie Factor #3: How much action movie 0 has?

#### Embeddings in Keras - Example 1

```
vocab size=5 #we have 5 words in our vocabulary (0,1,2,3,4) -- generally think of this as 5 unque tokens
                                                                                                                                       Output Shape
                                                                                                         Layer (type)
                                                                                                                                                                   Param #
            #(e.g. words, symbols, user IDs, Movie IDs, Product IDs )
embedding size=3 #there are three latent factors that describe our words
                                                                                                         input 4 (InputLayer)
                                                                                                                                        (None, 1)
                                                                                                                                                                   0
                                                                                                         embedding 4 (Embedding)
                                                                                                                                        (None, 1, 3)
embedding layer = Embedding(output dim=embedding size, \
                           input dim=vocab size, \
                           input length=1.\
                                                                                                         Total params: 15
                           mask zero=True)
                                                                                                         Trainable params: 15
                                                                                                        Non-trainable params: 0
x = Input(shape=[1])
embedding = embedding laver(x)
                                                                                                         None
model = Model(inputs=x, outputs=embedding)
print(model.summary())
print("")
print(" ")
                                                                                                         Input shape: (None, 1)
                                                                                                         Output shape: (None, 1, 3)
                                                                                                         Weight Matrix shape: (1, 5, 3)
print("Input shape: ", model.input shape) #this "model" inputs a single number
print("Output shape: ", model.output shape) #this "model" exports a length (embedding size) vector
                                                                                                         [array([[-0.02434868, 0.02641512, 0.02833296],
print("Weight Matrix shape: ", np.array(model.get weights()).shape) #shape of the embedding matrix is
                                                                                                                 [-0.0264437, -0.04659697, 0.00371159],
                                                                  #(1, vocab size, embedding size)
print(" ")
                                                                                                                   0.02535654, -0.01593039, 0.0152105 ],
print(" ")
                                                                                                                  [-0.04532808, -0.006714 , -0.02591713],
model.get weights() #The embedding weights
                                                                                                                 [-0.00216939, 0.04102891, -0.01888945]], dtype=float32)]
```

#### Embeddings in Keras - Example 2

```
vocab size 1=7 #User IDs?
vocab size 2=5 #movie IDs?
embedding size=3 #constant
embedding layer 1 = Embedding(output dim=embedding size, input dim=vocab size 1,input length=1, mask zero=False)
embedding layer 2 = Embedding(output dim=embedding size, input dim=vocab size 2,input length=1, mask zero=False)
userIDs = Input(shape=[1])
movieIDs = Input(shape=[1])
                                                        2 Embedding
embedding users = embedding layer 1 (userIDs)
                                                        matrices
embedding movies = embedding layer 2(movieIDs)
                                                        concatenated and
x= concatenate([embedding users,embedding movies])
x=Flatten()(x)
                                                        flattened
model = Model(inputs=[userIDs,movieIDs], outputs=x)
print(model.summarv())
print(" ")
print(" ")
print("-----")
print(" ")
print("Input shape: ". model.input shape) #this "model" inputs a single number
print("Output shape: ", model.output shape) #this "model" exports a length (embedding size) vector
print(" ")
print("User weight Matrix shape: ", np.array(model.get weights()[0]).shape)
print("Movies weight Matrix shape: ", np.array(model.get weights()[1]).shape)
print(" ")
print("User embedding weights")
print("-----")
print(model.get weights()[0])
print(" ")
print(" ")
print("Movie embedding weights")
print(model.get weights()[1])
```

```
X = [np.array(([1])),np.array(([2]))] #2nd UserID and 3rd Movie embeddings concatenated
model.predict(X)
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array([[ 0.03142424, -0.04858527, 0.01714227, -0.01932679, 0.01362795, 0.03613641]], dtype=float32)
```

```
Laver (type)
                                Output Shape
                                                     Param #
                                                                 Connected to
input 5 (InputLayer)
                                (None, 1)
input 6 (InputLayer)
                                (None, 1)
embedding 5 (Embedding)
                                (None, 1, 3)
                                                     21
                                                                 input 5[0][0]
embedding 6 (Embedding)
                                (None, 1, 3)
                                                     15
                                                                 input 6[0][0]
concatenate 1 (Concatenate)
                                (None, 1, 6)
                                                                 embedding 5[0][0]
                                                                 embedding 6[0][0]
flatten 1 (Flatten)
                                (None, 6)
                                                                 concatenate 1[0][0]
Total params: 36
Trainable params: 36
Non-trainable params: 0
None
Input shape: [(None, 1), (None, 1)]
Output shape: (None, 6)
User weight Matrix shape: (7, 3)
Movies weight Matrix shape: (5, 3)
User embedding weights
 [[-0.01192247 0.0029695 -0.04093463]
  0.03142424 -0.04858527 0.01714227
 [-0.00115309 0.0027717 0.0452025
 [-0.00717747 0.00594933 0.00543087
 [-0.00803168 -0.04429523 -0.00055258]
 [ 0.00224601 -0.01125713 -0.01098534]
 [-0.01774049 -0.04440355 0.04540284]
Movie embedding weights
[[ 0.01013019  0.04473348 -0.03012686]
 [ 0.01903756 -0.02693369  0.02577094]
 -0.01932679 0.01362795 0.03613641
 [-0.02342827 0.00045323 -0.019732
 [-0.04033861 0.01433581 -0.03953437]]
```

#### Demo

- Highly effective deep learning model for recommending items to Pinterest users
- Using only user and item IDs
- Training from scratch with gradient descent
- Keras and Tensorflow

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