Language ambiguity (has multiple precise meanings): Lexicon – morph(eme)ological analysis (stem and affix e.g. 'car'+'s') word 'bring me the file' (resolve w/ POS) syntactic 'I shot an elephant in my pjs' abstract functions instead syntactic 'I shot an elephant in my pjs' semantic 'the rabbit is ready for lunch' of rules based on referential 'Pavarotti is a big opera star' maintenance of intuitive

Word segmentation (tokenization) Word normalization (case/acronyms/spelling) Lemmatization 'sing, sung, sang' → 'sing Stemming (common root, above 's')
Part-Of-Speech (tag words with noun, verb...) Context-Free Grammar: <u>Derive</u> sentence structure through a <u>parse tree</u> $S \rightarrow NP \ VP, NP \rightarrow Det \ N, VP \rightarrow V \ NP, VP \rightarrow V, VP \rightarrow V \ PP, PP \rightarrow P \ NP$ <u>Discourse</u>: meaning of a text (relationship between sentences) <u>Pragmatics</u>: intentions/command Corpus: a collection of documents Document: one item of corpus (sequence) Token: atomic word unit Vocabulary: unique tokens across coropus. One-Hot Encoding: sparse (wasted space), orthogonal vectors (every word is equidistant), cannot represent out of vocab well

linguistic rules. Sigmoid (binary class.) $\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$, ReLU: $\max(0,x)$, Tanh: $\frac{e^x-e^{-x}}{e^x+e^{-x}}$, Softmax (k-class): $\sum_{k} \frac{e^{i_k}}{e^{i_k}}$ MSE (regression) $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k} \frac{N}{e^{i_k}} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$, Binary cross-entropy: $-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y^i) \log(\hat{y}^{(i)}) + (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - \hat{y}^{(i)})$) Categorical cross entropy (k-class): $-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{i=1}^{C} y_e^{(i)} \log(\hat{y}_e^{(i)})$

non-literal 'it's raining cats and dogs'

Euclidean Distance: $\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(q_d-d_i)^2}$ Cosine Similarity: $\cos(\theta)=\frac{p_1\cdot p_2}{||p_1||\times||p_2||}$ Analogy Recovery: offset of the vectors reflect their relationship. $a - b \approx c - d \iff d \approx c - a + b$

Window: window consists of target and context (surrounding), Window size = radius Continuous Bag Of Words: context — target, Skip-gram: target — context (give as one-hot, get word representation, map embedding to target words using weight matrix, apply softmax). Train with list of pairs (target, context) by sliding window over input. Loss: $p(w_{t+j}|w_t) = \frac{\exp(v_{w_{t+j}}^T h_{w_t})}{\sum_{w'=1}^W \exp(v_{w'}^T h_{w_t})}$, the aim: $\max \prod_t \prod_j p(w_{t+j}|w_t) \rightarrow \min_{\theta} - \sum_t \sum_j \log p(w_{t+j}|w_t;\theta) \rightarrow \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{-c \le j \le c, j \ne 0} \log p(w_{t+j}|w_t;\theta)$ over all elems in corpus.

Byte-Pair Encoding: Instead of manually specfying rules for lemmatisation or stemming, lets learn from data which character sequences occur together frequently. 1) Start with a vocabulary of all individual characters 2) Split the words in your training corpus also into individual characters + '_' at end 3) Find which two vocabulary items occur together most frequently in the trianing corpus 4) Add that combination as a new vocabulary item 5) Merge all occurrences of that combination in your corpus 6) Repeat until a desired numbe of merges has been performed. For unknown words follow above and apply replacements in order discovered.

However, the bottom term in the $p(w_{t+j}|w_t)$ is inefficient to compute across the entire corpus vocabulary. Therefore, train a Negative Sampling model to predict whether a word appears in the context of another: $\log p(D=1|w_t,w_{t+1})+k\mathbb{E}_{\widetilde{c}\sim P_{noise}}[\log p(D=0|w_t,\widetilde{c})]$ where $p(D=1|w_t,w_{t+1})$ is a binary logistic regression probability of seeing the word w_t in the context w_{t+1} . Approximate the expectation by drawing random words from vocabulary, and on left choose positive pairs. Thus the equation is replaced: $p(D=1|w_t,w_{t+1})=\frac{1}{1+\exp{-u_{w_{t+1}}h_{w_t}}}$. We can sample k (5-10 words) with frequency or random sampling. $\hat{y} = \arg\max_{y} P(y|x) = \arg\max_{y} P(x|y)P(y)$ since evidence doesn't change.

Classification: $\hat{y} = \arg \max_{y} P(y|x)$ predict which y is most likely given input x.

In the MultiNLI corpus we are given pairs of sentences (premise, hypothesis) with classification problem (Entailment: If hypothesis is implied by premise, Contradiction: If hypothesis contradicts the premise, Neutral: otherwise).

 $\hat{y} = \arg\max_{y} P(x_1, \dots, x_I | y) P(y) = \arg\max_{y} P(y) \prod_{i=1}^{I} P(x_i | y)$ In a Bag of Words count the number of times a token appears in the vocabulary per class. In One smoothed Naive Bayes: $P(x_i|y) = \frac{count(x_i,y)+1}{\sum_{x \in V} (count(x_i,y)+1)} = \frac{1}{(\sum_{x \in V} count(x_i,y)+1)}$ Binary Naive Bayes: only consider if a feature is present, rather than considering every time it occurs. **Controlling for negation**: pre-pend 'NOT_'

 $\underbrace{\frac{P(x|y)P(y)}{P(x)}}_{\text{Naive Bayes Classifier:}} \underbrace{P(x_1|y)\cdots P(x_I|y)}_{\text{Naive Bayes Classifier:}}$

P(y|x)

 $\overline{Accuracy} = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + FP + TN + FN}, f1 = 2 \times \frac{precision \times recall}{precision + recall} = \frac{TP}{TP + 0.5(FP + FN)},$ Macro average: averaging of each class F1 scores: increases the emphasis on less frequent classes. Micro average: TPs, TNs, FNs. FPs are

<u>Discriminative</u> algorithms directly learn P(Y|X) without considering likelihood. <u>Generative</u>: consider likelihood **Logistic Regression**: apply sigmoid/softmax with $s = w \cdot x + b$ with loss $H(P,Q) = -\sum_i P(y_i) \log Q(y_i)$.

summed across each class e.g. $\frac{\sum_{i}^{C}TP_{i}}{\sum_{i}^{C}TP_{i}+\frac{1}{2}(\sum_{i}^{C}FP_{i}+\sum_{i}^{C}FN_{i})}=Accuracy$ Language Models: Assign probabilities to sequence of words, like predicting the next word in a sentence. Uni-directional: use information from left to generate predictions about words on the right. Bi-directional: use

RNN: $h_{t+1} = f(h_t, x_t) = \tanh(Wh_t + Ux_t), W \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times H}, U \in \mathbb{R}^{H \times E}$ The model is less able to learn from earlier inputs, better for long ranged **CNN**: CNNs can perform well if the task involves key phrase recognition

information from both sides to fill the target. N-gram: need because language is flexible, and a natural extension of a sentence may no appear in corpus. $P(w_n|w_1^{n-1}) \approx P(w_n|w_{n-N+1}^{n-1}) = \frac{C(w_{n-N+1}^{n-1}w_n)}{C(w_{n-N+1}^{n-1})}.$ If certain words absent the probability is 0.

Feed-Forward LM (FFLM); get word embeddings for words and concat them together embedding; $V \times E$.

$$S(w_i|w_{i-2}w_{i-1}) = \frac{C(w_{i-2}w_{i-1}w_i)}{C(w_i|w_{i-2}w_{i-1})}. \quad \text{if } C(w_{i-2}w_{i-1}w_i) > 0 \\ S(w_i|w_{i-2}w_{i-1}) = \begin{cases} \frac{C(w_{i-2}w_{i-1}w_i)}{C(w_{i-2}w_{i-1})}, & \text{if } C(w_{i-2}w_{i-1}w_i) > 0 \\ 0.4 \cdot S(w_i|w_{i-1}), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 Change this with **add-one smoothing:**
$$P_{add-1}(w_n|w_{n-1}) = \frac{C(w_{n-1},w_n)+1}{C(w_{n-1})+V} \text{ however}$$
 this influences the less frequent words (not more). Therefore, implement backoff smoothing.} \\ S(w_i) = \frac{C(w_i)}{N} Interpolation:
$$P_{interp}(w_i|w_{i-2}w_{i-1}) = \lambda_1 P(w_i|w_{i-2}w_{i-1}) =$$

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concat: $c_k \in \mathbb{R}^{C \times E}$ with a output layer $CE \times V$ then softmax. **RNN**: $h_{t+1} = f(h_t, x_t) = \tanh(Wh_t + Ux_t), y_t = W_{hy}h_t + B_y$. **Teacher Forcing**: if there is an incorrect label we force it to use the actual expected label. The ratio can be 100% (i.e. full teacher forcing), 50%, or you can even anneal it during training. This may cause Exposure Bias where it never actually uses its own predictions during training. **Bidirectional RNN**: When comparing the number of parameters in this vs a single directional rnn, it doubles. The output layer also doubles (because we are given a matrix $H \times O$ twice from each direction making the output layer have dimension $H \times H \times O$). This extends to **multi-layered RNNs**.

Perplexity: where n is the number of words: $PPL(w) = \sqrt[n]{\frac{1}{\prod_{k=1}^{n} P(w_k | w_1^{k-1})}}$ the higher the conditional

Naive translation: minimise negative log likelihood loss $-\sum_{t=1}^{T} \log p(\hat{y}_t|y_{< t},c)$. Take hidden vector encoding from encoder RNN into the decoder. This limits amount of information it can retain for longer vectors, as more words get decoded the hidden layer continues through the decoder and looses its information.

probability of the word sequence, the lower the perplexity. Thus, minimizing perplexity is equivalent to maximizing the test set probability according to the language model. It is a measure of surprise in an LM when seeing new text. For a single word, the score is 1. If the goal of the language model is to support with another task, the best choice of language model

LSTM: LSTM: f_t : forget gate = $\sigma(W_{if}x_t + W_{hf}h_{t-1} + b_f)$ σ_{it} : input gate = $\sigma(W_{ii}x_t + W_{hi}h_{t-1} + b_i)$ σ_t : output gate = $\sigma(W_{ii}x_t + W_{ho}h_{t-1} + b_o)$ g_t : candidate cell = $\tan(W_{ig}x_t + W_{hg}h_{t-1} + b_g)$ g_t : memory cell state = $f_t \odot c_{t-1} + i_c \odot g_t$ g_t : hidden state = $g_t \odot \tan(c_t)$

is the one that improves downstream task performance the most (extrinsic evaluation). Perplexity is less useful in this case (intrinsic evaluation). Cross Entropy Loss: The cross-entropy is useful when we don't know the actual probability distribution p that

then, h_t : output of cell $=\phi_y(W_yh_y+b_y)$ simply. Struggles learn long-term deps. Less vanishing gradient because additive formulas means we don't have repeated multiplication. The forget gate controls when to preserve gradients or not. $W_{ii}=(H\times E)$ and $W_{hi}=(H\times H)$ since we go from mbeddings to hidden representation.

generated some data. $H(T,q) = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{1}{N} \ln q(x_i)$. To convert to perplexity take the base of the logarithm and perform $PPL(M) = base^{H}$.

Statistical Machine Translation: a pipeline of Alignment model (responsible for extracting the phrase pairs) $\arg\max_t p(t|s) = p(t)p(s|t)$. Downsides: Sentence Alignment (In parallel corpora single sentences in one language can be translated into several sentences in the other and vice versa) Word Alignment (no clear equivalent in the target language) Statistical anomalies (Real-world training sets may override translations) Idioms (Only in specific contexts do we want idioms to be translated) Out-of-vocabulary words.

Gated Recurrent Unit: r_t : switch gate = $\sigma(W_{ir}x_t + W_{hr}h_{t-1} + b_r)$ $\blacktriangleright z_t$: reset gate = $\sigma(W_{ix}x_t + W_{hz}h_{t-1} + b_z)$ g_t : candidate state = $\tanh(W_{ig}x_t + r_t * (W_{hg}h_{t-1} + b_g))$ h_t : hidden state = $(1 - z_t) * g_t + z_t * h_{t-1}$ no longer has input/output gate but maintains forgetting mechanism. GRU more efficient computing & less over-fitting but LSTM good default choice.

Implementing Attention+RNN: For each hidden state in the encoder, $c_t = \sum_{i=1}^{L} \alpha_i h_i$ combine these into a context vector, it is dynamic and contextualised representation. We then feed a decoder this context vector and

the <init> token. This is the **energy**, and it is calculated with $e_i = a(s_{t-1}, h_i) = v^T \tanh(Ws_{t-1} + Uh_i)$ where $e_i \in \mathbb{R}^1$ is the unnormalized energy score, and a is a learnt neural network. $s_{t-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times 1}$ is the previous decoder hidden state, $h_i \in \mathbb{R}^{2D \times 1}$ encoder hidden state for the ith word, $v^T \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times 1} \wedge v \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times D}, W \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$

Transformers: notice that there are residual connections

BLEU: reports a modified precision metric for each level of n-gram Modified Precision score $p_n = \frac{\text{Total Unique Overlap}_n}{\text{Total n-grams}}$ where Total n-grams is the 'total n-grams' in the produced sentence (not unique), and 'total unique overlap' is the unique set of unique tokens appearing in the output have appeared in the union of the reference sentences. **BLEU-4:** BP $(\prod_n^4 p_n)^{\frac{1}{4}}$, $BP = \min(1, \frac{MT}{Reference} Length)$ where p_n defined above. Used to mostly encourage the hypothesis to be of a simlar length to the reference. A shortcoming of BLEU is that it focuses a lot on the precision between Hyp and Ref, but not the recall. **Chr-f**: character n-gram F_{β} score. Balances character precision (percentage of n-grams in the hypothesis which have a counterpart in the reference) and character recall (percentage of character n-grams in the reference which are also present in the hypothesis). $CHRF_1 = \frac{2\cdot CHRP\cdot CHRR}{CHRP\cdot CHRR}$ where CHRP: percentage of n-grams in the hypothesis which have a counterpart in the reference, CHRR: percentage of character n-grams in the reference which are also present in the hypothesis. Good for morphologically rich languages. **TER** translation error rate: Minimum # of edits required to change a hypothesis into one of the references. TER is performed at the word level, and the "edits" can be a: Shift, Insertion, Substitution and Deletion. **ROGUE** F-1 score n-gram, ROGUE-L: F-score of longest common subsequence e.g. source: The cat is on the mat hyp: The cat and the dog so LCS: the cat the, precision = 3/5, recall = 3/6. **METEOR**: summarization and captioning, more robust than BLEU. <u>Downside: cannot capture</u> context of sentence to return a higher score. BERT-score: a trained language model that can give contextual representations of tokens/words. May return different scores when evaluated against different models.

 $Attention(Q,K,V;a) = a \left(\frac{QK^\top}{\sqrt{d_q}}\right) V \text{ The encoder receives an input words with encoded dimensional complexity.}$ $Q = (q_1, ..., q_N)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d_q} O(MNd_q + MNd_v), space$ $K = (k_1, ..., k_M)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times d_q} O(MN + Nd_v), \# params (only)$ $K = (k_1, \dots, k_M)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times d_0} \text{ key and value) so } \\ V = (v_1, \dots, v_M)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times d_0} \text{ key and value) so } \\ K, V : O(Md_q + Md_v) \text{ and in self } \\ \text{and } d_v = d_v = d_0) \\ \text{attention this is } O(Nd_v) \text{ i.e.}$ a(.) activation function applied row-wise (N = M := D and $d_q = d_v := d_h$) Q=V=K. <u>Hard attention</u> is when $a = onehot(arg max x_i)$ and <u>Soft</u> attention is when a = softmax(x). Self-attention: The self-attention mechanism allows each input in a sequence to look at the whole sequence to compute a representation of the sequence. <u>Multi-head</u> attention $Multihead(Q, K, V, a) = concat(head_1, \dots, head_n)W^O$, where $head_i = Attention(QW_i^Q, KW_i^K, VW_i^V, a)$ and Attention is defined as before. This helps define different hidden similarity measures. Normalization: for each sample in a batch $LN(x_n)$ = with learnable params to scale. Residual connections: Residual connections help mitigate the vanishing gradient problem, where Vanishing gradients = tiny weight changes. Residual connections

provide a shortcut for information to flow to layer layers of the

The encoder receives an input of S

Inference: Greedy Decoding: Outputs the most likely word at each time step (i.e. an argmax) fast but doesn't look into the future; can get weird later. **Beam Search**: Instead of choosing the best token to generate at each time-step we keep k possible tokens at each step. Maintain the log probability of each hypothesis in beam by incrementally adding logprob of generating each next token. Only the top k paths are kept. **Temperature Sampling**: problem with above is determinism. Therefore, divide logits by T and run run softmax $\frac{e^{y_i/T}}{\sum_{j}^{N} e^{y_j/T}}$.

network, where the output of an earlier layer is added directly to the output of a layer layer. Positional Encodings transformers are position invariant by default; positional encoding vector is independent of the vord, but only to the position in the sequence it is either learnt or where pos=position of word, d=dimension

Multinomial sample over softmax probabilities.

of output space, i = column indices $PE_{pos,2i} = \sin\left(\frac{pos}{10000^{\frac{2i}{d}}}\right)$ and $PE_{pos,2i+1} = \cos\left(\frac{pos}{10000^{\frac{2i}{d}}}\right)$ smaller early

Improving Performance: Back-translation: translate the source into one language and translate it back. The hope is, that once translated back the semantics is the same but syntactically it may be different. Synonym Replacement: Use dictionary & syntax trees to find appropriate synonyms/ Use word embeddings & nearest neighbours to find synonyms. Batching, Padding and Sequence Length: Group similar length sentences together in the batch or train your model on simpler/smaller sequence lengths first.

on, larger later on (iterating i over d). Masked Attention: mask out some attention values by adding matrix with 0s and set upper triangle to $-\infty$ (useful for sequence prediction with a given ordering: in test time "future" is not available for the "current" to attend). Cross Attention: In self-attention, we work with the same input sequence. In cross-attention, we mix or combine two different input sequences. In the case of the original transformer architecture above, that's the sequence returned by the encoder module on the left and the input sequence being processed by the decoder part on the right. with i: current global step, warmup hyperparameter (4000), d: model dimensionality <u>Decaying learning rate</u>: $l_r = \sqrt{\frac{1}{d}} \times min \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{d}}, i \times warmup^{-1.5} \right)$

TF-IDF: Problem: words in a query are weighted equally Term Frequency – Measures how often a term occurs in a document. Inverse Document Frequency - Measures how common or rare a term is across all documents in the corpus. (Terms that appear in many different documents are less significant than those that appear in a smaller number of documents)

 $TF_{w,d} = \frac{count(w,d)}{\sum_{w'} count(w',d)}$ (frequency of w occurring together with d). $IDF_{w,D} = \log \frac{|D|}{|\{d \in D: w \in d\}|}$ downweighs words that appear everywhere. $TF - IDF_{w,d,D} = TF_{w,d}IDF_{w,D}$