

ROFORMER- ENHANCED TRANSFORMER WITH ROTARY POSITION EMBEDDING

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2.3 Relative position embedding

The authors of [Shaw et al., 2018] applied different settings of Equation (1) as following:

$$\begin{aligned} f_q(x_m) &:= W_q(x_m + p_m) \\ f_k(x_n, n) &:= W_k(x_n + \tilde{p}_n^k) \\ f_v(x_n, n) &:= W_v(x_n + \tilde{p}_n^v) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where $\tilde{p}_n^k, \tilde{p}_n^v \in \mathbb{R}^d$ are trainable relative position embeddings. Note that $r = \text{clip}(m - n, r_{\min}, r_{\max})$ represents the relative distance between position m and n . They clipped the relative distance with the hypothesis that precise relative position information is not useful beyond a certain distance. Keeping the form of Equation (3), the authors [Dai et al., 2019] have proposed to decompose $q_m^T k_n$ of Equation (2) as

$$q_m^T k_n = x_m^T W_q^T W_k x_n + x_m^T W_q^T W_k \tilde{p}_{m-n} + p_m^T W_q^T W_k x_n + p_m^T W_q^T W_k \tilde{p}_{m-n} \quad (6)$$

the key idea is to replace the absolute position embedding p_m with its sinusoid-encoded relative counterpart \tilde{p}_{m-n} , while the absolute position \tilde{p}_{m-n} in the third and fourth term with two trainable vectors u and v independent of the query positions. Further, W_k is distinguished for the content-based and location-based key vectors x_n and \tilde{p}_{m-n} , denoted as \tilde{W}_k and \tilde{W}_k , resulting in:

$$q_m^T k_n = x_m^T W_q^T W_k x_n + x_m^T W_q^T \tilde{W}_k \tilde{p}_{m-n} + u^T W_q^T W_k x_n + v^T W_q^T \tilde{W}_k \tilde{p}_{m-n} \quad (7)$$

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The authors of [He et al., 2020] argued that the relative positions of two tokens could only be fully modeled using the middle two terms of Equation (6). As a consequence, the absolute position embeddings p_m and p_n were simply replaced with the relative position embeddings \tilde{p}_{m-n} :

$$q_m^T k_n = x_m^T W_q^T W_k x_n + x_m^T W_q^T \tilde{W}_k \tilde{p}_{m-n} + \tilde{p}_{m-n}^T W_q^T W_k x_n \quad (10)$$

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$$\langle f_q(x_m, m), f_k(x_n, n) \rangle = g(x_m, x_n, m - n). \quad (11)$$

The ultimate goal is to find an equivalent encoding mechanism to solve the functions $f_q(x_m, m)$ and $f_k(x_n, n)$ to conform the aforementioned relation.

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{representation.} \\ a_{m,n} &= \frac{\exp(\frac{q_m^T k_n}{\sqrt{d}})}{\sum_{j=1}^N \exp(\frac{q_m^T k_j}{\sqrt{d}})} \\ o_m &= \sum_{n=1}^N a_{m,n} v_n \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

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$$\begin{cases} p_{i,2t} &= \sin(k/10000^{2t/d}) \\ p_{i,2t+1} &= \cos(k/10000^{2t/d}) \end{cases}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} f_q(x_m, m) &= (W_q x_m) e^{i m \theta} \\ f_k(x_n, n) &= (W_k x_n) e^{i n \theta} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where $\text{Re}[\cdot]$ is the real part of a complex number and $(W_k x_n)^*$ represents the conjugate complex number of $(W_k x_n)$. $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ is a preset non-zero constant. We can further write $f_{\{q,k\}}$ in a multiplication matrix:

$$f_{\{q,k\}}(x_m, m) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos m\theta & -\sin m\theta \\ \sin m\theta & \cos m\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_{\{q,k\}}^{(11)} & W_{\{q,k\}}^{(12)} \\ W_{\{q,k\}}^{(21)} & W_{\{q,k\}}^{(22)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_m^{(1)} \\ x_m^{(2)} \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

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$$f_{\{q,k\}}(x_m, m) = R_{\Theta, m}^d W_{\{q,k\}} x_m \quad (14)$$

$$R_{\Theta, m}^d = \begin{pmatrix} \cos m\theta_1 & -\sin m\theta_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \sin m\theta_1 & \cos m\theta_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cos m\theta_2 & -\sin m\theta_2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sin m\theta_2 & \cos m\theta_2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \cos m\theta_{d/2} & -\sin m\theta_{d/2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \sin m\theta_{d/2} & \cos m\theta_{d/2} \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

is the rotary matrix with pre-defined parameters $\Theta = \{\theta_i = 10000^{-2(i-1)/d}, i \in [1, 2, \dots, d/2]\}$. A graphic illustration of RoPE is shown in Figure (1). Applying our RoPE to self-attention in Equation (2), we obtain:

$$q_m^T k_n = (R_{\Theta, m}^d W_q x_m)^T (R_{\Theta, n}^d W_k x_n) = x_m^T W_q R_{\Theta, n-m}^d W_k x_n \quad (16)$$

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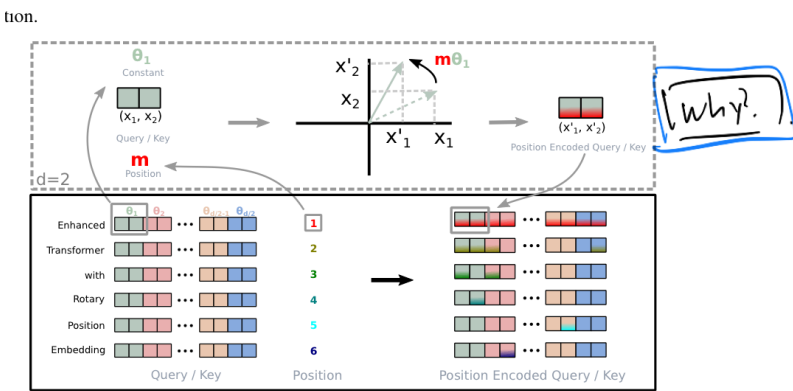


Figure 1: Implementation of Rotary Position Embedding (RoPE).

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$$R_{\Theta, m}^d x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ \vdots \\ x_{d-1} \\ x_d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \cos m\theta_1 & \sin m\theta_1 \\ -\sin m\theta_1 & \cos m\theta_1 \\ \cos m\theta_2 & \sin m\theta_2 \\ -\sin m\theta_2 & \cos m\theta_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos m\theta_{d/2} & \sin m\theta_{d/2} \\ -\sin m\theta_{d/2} & \cos m\theta_{d/2} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -x_2 \\ x_1 \\ -x_4 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ -x_{d-1} \\ x_d \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} \sin m\theta_1 & \cos m\theta_1 \\ \cos m\theta_1 & \sin m\theta_1 \\ \sin m\theta_2 & \cos m\theta_2 \\ \cos m\theta_2 & \sin m\theta_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \sin m\theta_{d/2} & \cos m\theta_{d/2} \\ \cos m\theta_{d/2} & \sin m\theta_{d/2} \end{pmatrix}$$