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Machine Translation

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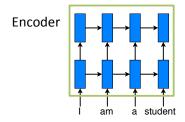
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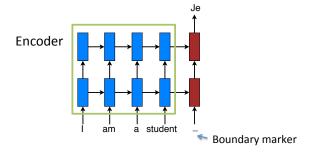
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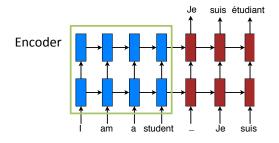
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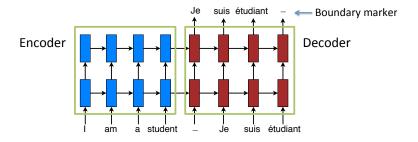
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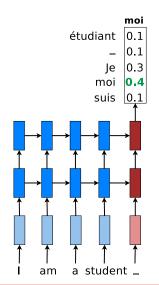
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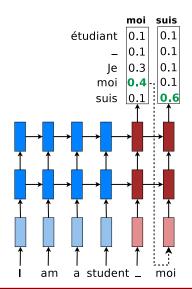


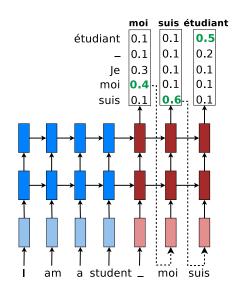


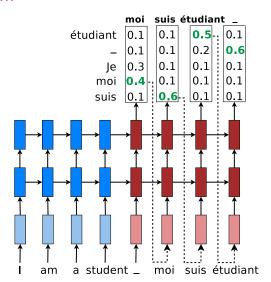


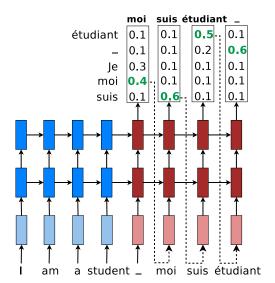












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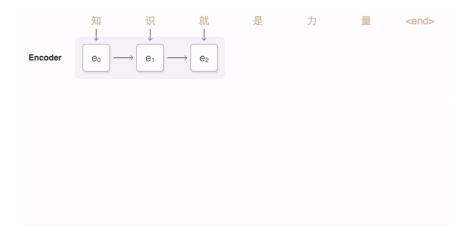
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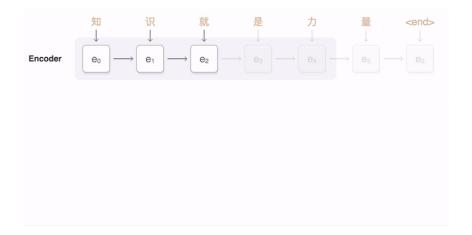
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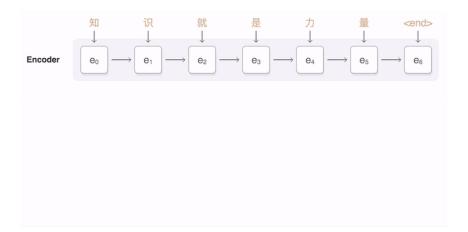


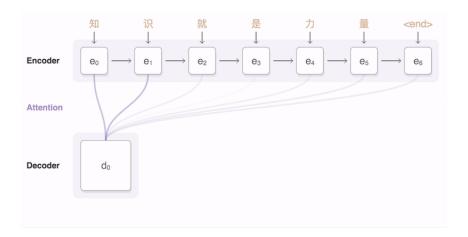


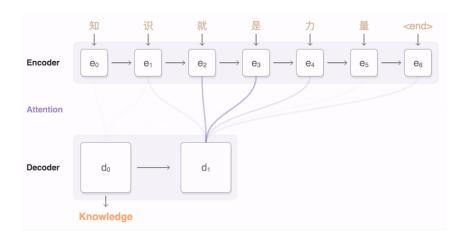


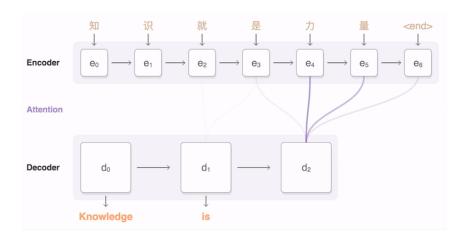


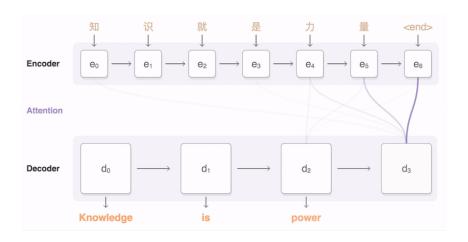


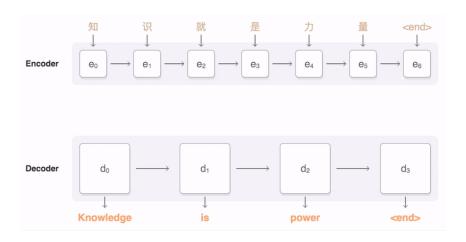












Beyond simple models

- Active area of research
- Implementations in all frameworks
- Reinforcement learning is huge component
- Low data