Neural Machine Translation

CSC401/2511 A2 Tutorial 1

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Most of the material is covered in the SMT lecture

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Typos in the Starter Code (piazza @354)

1. `EncoderDecoder.init_modules(...):`

   `# ...`

   `# 3. You will need the following object attributes:`

   `# ... self.heads`

2. `BLEU_score(reference, hypothesis, n):`

   `BLEU_score(reference, candidate, n):`

3. `DecoderWithAttention.attend(...):`

   `c_t : torch.FloatTensor`

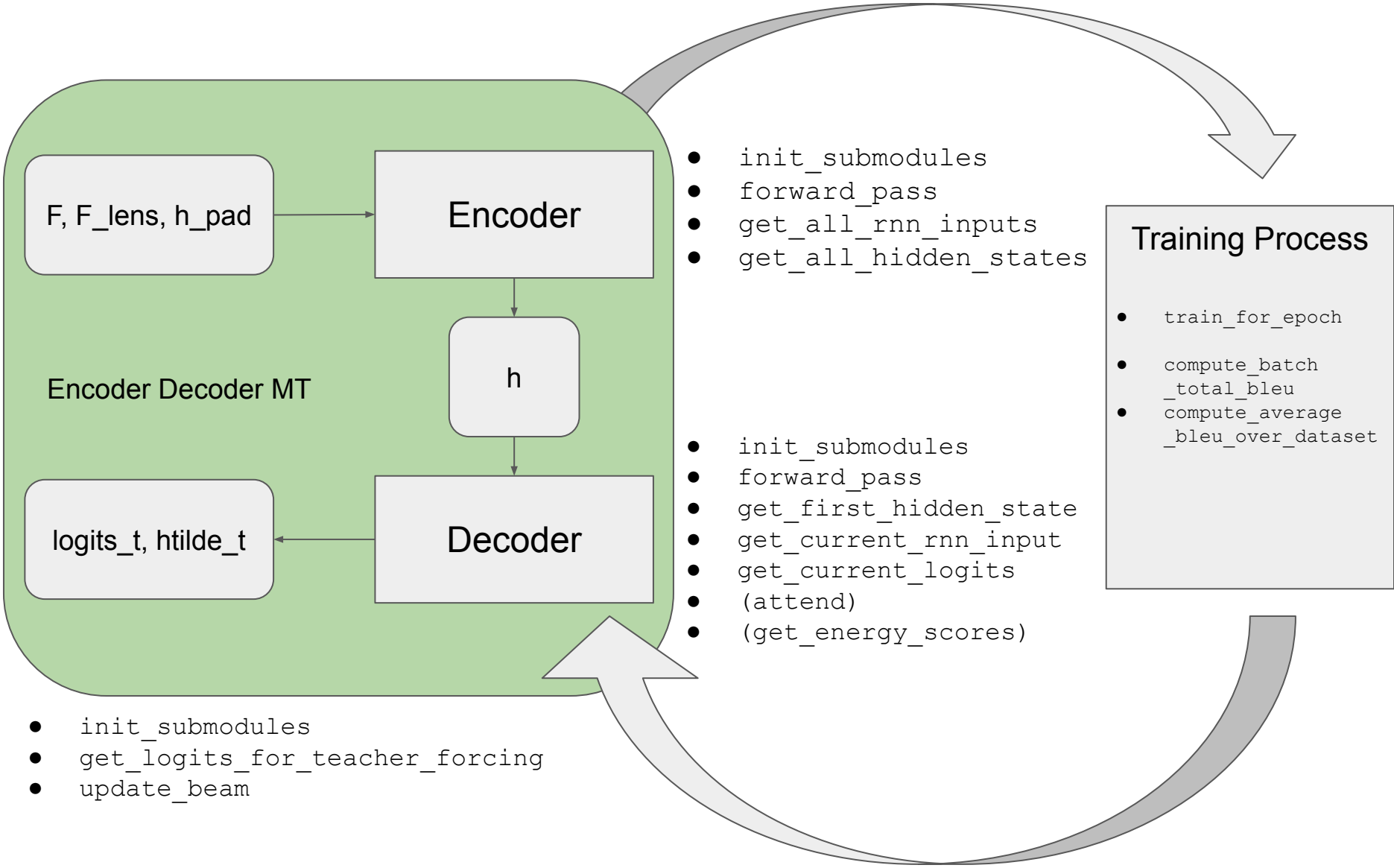
   `A float tensor of shape ``(M, self.hidden_state_size)``. The context vector c_t is the product of weights alpha_t and h.`

Overview: Canadian Hansards

- Data located at `/u/cs401/A2/data/Hansard/`
- You don't need to download the data, just set these environment variables

```
export TRAIN=/h/u1/cs401/A2/data/Hansard/Training/
export TEST=/h/u1/cs401/A2/data/Hansard/Testing/
```

Overview: The Assignment



Calculating BLEU scores

- `grouper`

```
>>> grouper(['a', 'b', 'c'], 2)

[['a', 'b'], ['b', 'c']]
```

- `n_gram_precision`
  - $\frac{C}{N}$
  - [p68]
- `brevity_penalty`
  - $\text{Brevity}_i = \frac{r_i}{c_i}$

    $$\text{BP} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{brevity}_i < 1 \\ e^{1-\text{brevity}_i} & \text{brevity}_i \geq 1 \end{cases}$$
  - [p72]
- `BLEU_score`
  - $BLEU_c = BP_c \times (p_1 p_2 ... p_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$
  - [p73]

- No capping
- Only 1 reference and 1 candidate
- Don’t include SOS and EOS

Encoder

Encoder

$$x_s = T_F(F_s)$$

$$h = f(x)$$

h: last hidden state of RNN [p39]

DecoderWithoutAttention

Decoder

$$\tilde{x}_t = T_E(E_{t-1})$$
$$\tilde{h}_t = g(\tilde{x}_t, \tilde{h}_{t-1})$$
$$\text{logits}_t = f(\tilde{h}_t)$$

DecoderWithoutAttention

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- logits_t is the **un-normalized log probability**, which means the actual probability should be normalized by **softmax**, instead of average.
- `Pr_b(i) = softmax(logits_t[m])`
- [p40]

DecoderWithAttention

Decoder

$$
\begin{aligned}
\tilde{x}_t &= [T_E(E_{t-1}), c_{t-1}] \\
c_{t-1} &= \text{Attend}(h_{t-1}, h_{1:s}) \\
&= \textstyle\sum_s \alpha_{t-1,s} h_s \\
\alpha_{t-1} &= \text{softmax}(e_{t-1,1:s}, s) \\
e_{t-1,s} &= \text{cosine\_similarity}(\tilde{h}_{t-1}, h_s)
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- The function to compute attention weights is provided to you `get_attention_weights`
- Be careful with t vs. t-1!
- For the assignment, we'll use cosine similarity as the score function (1.4)
- [p43-45]

DecoderWithMultiHeadAttention

Decoder

$$\tilde{h}_{t-1}^{(n)} = \tilde{W}^{(n)} \tilde{h}_{t-1}$$

$$h_s^{(n)} = W^{(n)} h_s$$

$$c_{t-1}^{(n)} = \mathrm{Attention}(\tilde{h}_{t-1}^{(n)}, h_{1:s}^{(n)})$$

$$\tilde{x}_t = [T_F(E_{t-1}), Q c_{t-1}^{(1:N)}]$$

DecoderWithMultiHeadAttention

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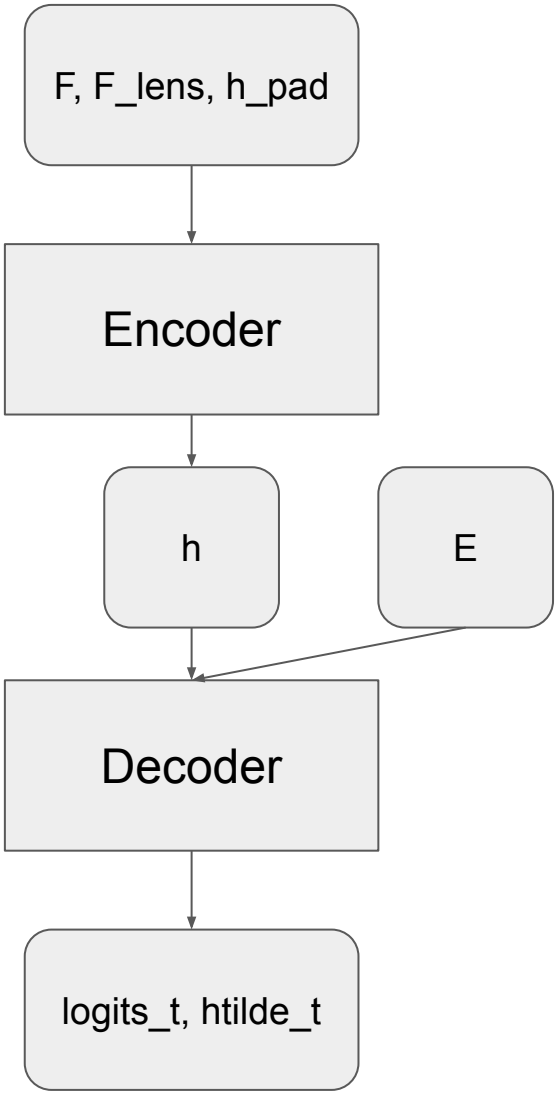
- You don't really need to slice the hidden weights
- Try starting with heads=1
- You also don't need for loops!
- [p46]

Putting it together: EncoderDecoder



- `init_submodules`
- `get_logits_for_teacher_forcing`
  - Basic idea: replace y with E
  - [p42]
- `update_beam`
  - One step of the beam search
  - A greedy update function is provided to you, you can test the rest of the assignment by using the `--greedy` option
  - More beam search on next week's tutorial by Zhewei
  - [p55-60]

Training and Testing Loop

- `train_for_epoch`
  - Follow the instructions in the docstring
  - Don’t forget to normalize loss!
  - tqdm: easy progress bar
- `compute_batch_total_bleu`
  - `a2_bleu_score.BLEU_score` for a batch of sentences
- `compute_average_bleu_over_dataset`
  - Calculate the average BLEU score of the given dataset
  - Use `compute_batch_total_bleu`

teach.cs with GPU: srun

- First make sure your code works in cpu mode! Debugging in CUDA mode is much more difficult

- Basic usage: `srun -p csc401 your_regular_command`
  - `srun -p csc2511` if you enrolled in CSC 2511
- Check current queue: `squeue -p csc401`
- Keep training after disconnecting: Use `screen` (A.3)