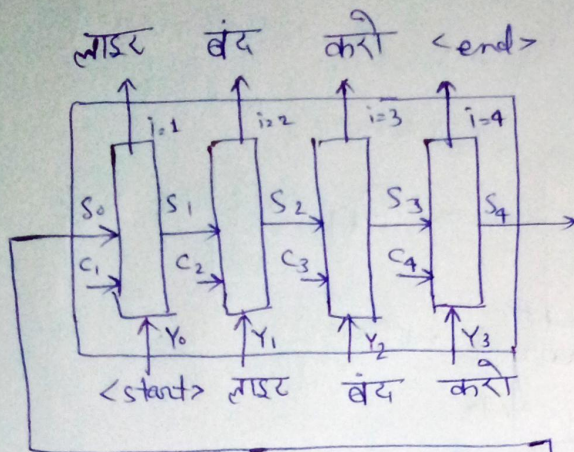


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ATTENTION MECHANISM



$i =$ time step
 $C_i =$ attention input

in vanilla encoder-decoder
 input = $[Y_{i-1}, S_{i-1}]$
 in vanilla encoder-decoder with attention mechanism
 input = $[Y_{i-1}, S_{i-1}, C_i]$

$C_i = \alpha_{i1}h_1 + \alpha_{i2}h_2 + \alpha_{i3}h_3 + \alpha_{i4}h_4$
 $\alpha_i \rightarrow$ weight (scalar)
 $h_j \rightarrow$ encoder's hidden state (vector)
 score for other attention input

Turn off the lights
 (i) Bahdanau Attention

$$C_i = \sum \alpha_{ij} h_j$$

hence.

$$C_1 = \alpha_{11}h_1 + \alpha_{12}h_2 + \alpha_{13}h_3 + \alpha_{14}h_4$$

$$C_2 = \alpha_{21}h_1 + \alpha_{22}h_2 + \alpha_{23}h_3 + \alpha_{24}h_4$$

$$C_3 = \alpha_{31}h_1 + \alpha_{32}h_2 + \alpha_{33}h_3 + \alpha_{34}h_4$$

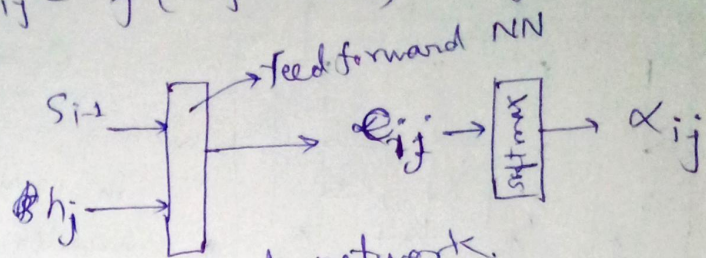
$$C_4 = \alpha_{41}h_1 + \alpha_{42}h_2 + \alpha_{43}h_3 + \alpha_{44}h_4$$

Now how to calculate α ?

lets take an example α_{21}

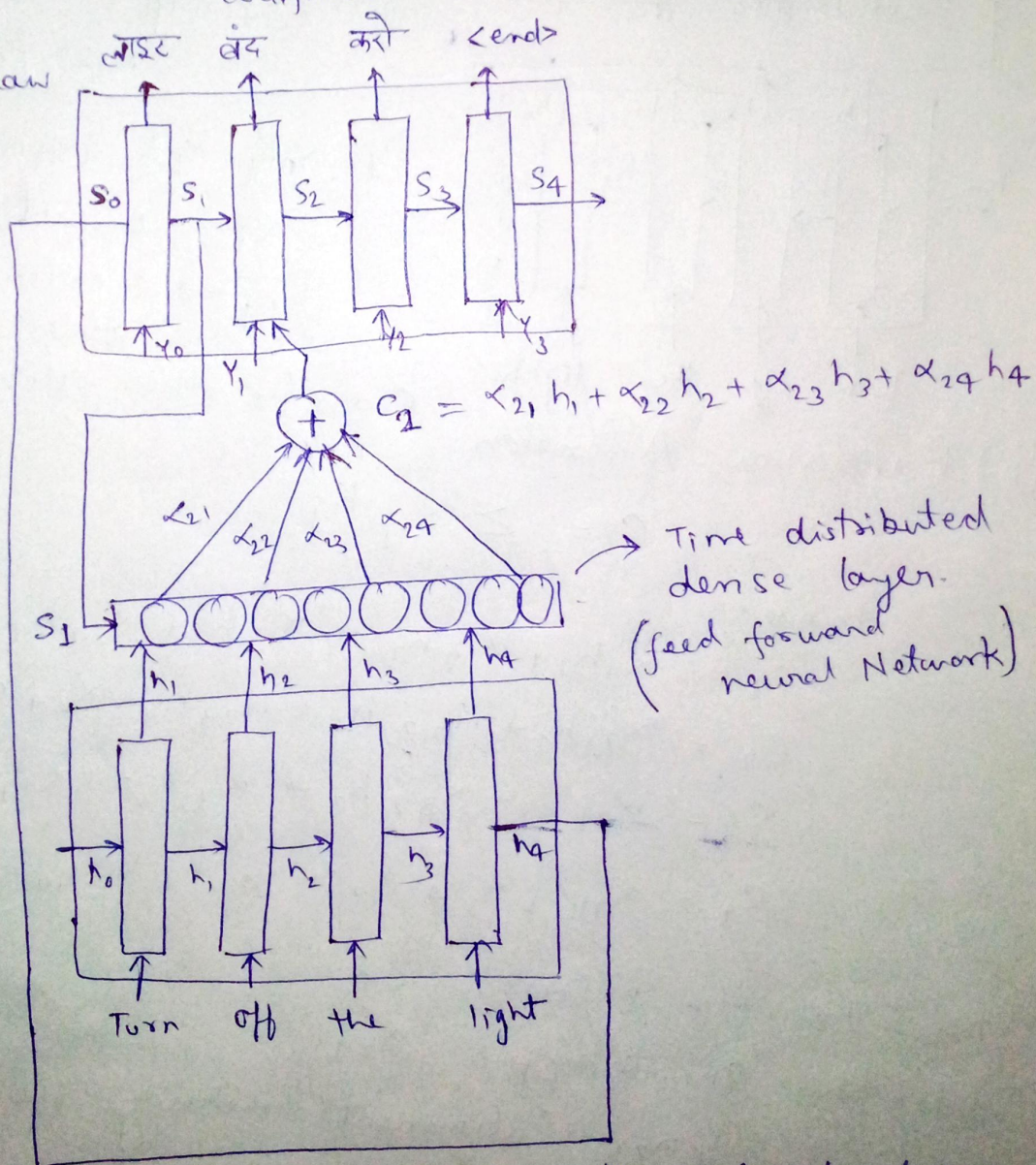
$\alpha_{21} \rightarrow$ alignment/similarity score

- α_{21} depends on h_1 and s_1 (previous hidden state of decoder)
- $\alpha_{21} \rightarrow f(h_1, s_1)$
or $\alpha_{ij} = f(h_j, s_{i-1})$ in general



artificial neural network.

assume
we are now
at $i=2$



- in original paper researchers use the bidirectional LSTM

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BAHDANAU ATTENTION Vs LUONG ATTENTION

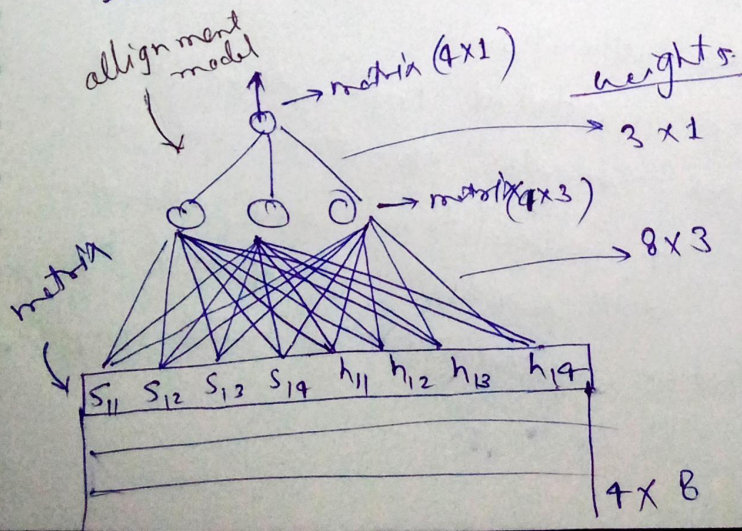
Two attention mechanism

- Bahdanau Attention
- Luong Attention.

$S_i = [e \ f \ g \ h]$ = four dimension vector
now concatenate S_i with h_1, h_2, h_3 and h_4
means make a matrix (4 rows / 8 columns)

$$[S_{i-1}, h_j] = \begin{bmatrix} S_{i1} & S_{i2} & S_{i3} & S_{i4} & h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} & h_{14} \\ S_{i1} & S_{i2} & S_{i3} & S_{i4} & h_{21} & h_{22} & h_{23} & h_{24} \\ S_{i1} & S_{i2} & S_{i3} & S_{i4} & h_{31} & h_{32} & h_{33} & h_{34} \\ S_{i1} & S_{i2} & S_{i3} & S_{i4} & h_{41} & h_{42} & h_{43} & h_{44} \end{bmatrix}$$

now put this matrix in feed forward neural network using a batch operation
let us assume our feed forward NN architecture:



$$e_{ij} = [e_{21} \ e_{22} \ e_{23} \ e_{24}]$$

$$\alpha = \text{softmax}(e)$$

$$\alpha_{ij} = [\alpha_{21} \ \alpha_{22} \ \alpha_{23} \ \alpha_{24}]$$

Now

$$[S_i, Y_i, C_i] \Rightarrow \text{LSTM} \Rightarrow \vec{s}_2$$

at time step 2^o ($i=2$)

$$\text{here } C_2 = \alpha_{21} h_1 + \alpha_{22} h_2 + \alpha_{23} h_3 + \alpha_{24} h_4$$

- Now at ~~time~~ first iteration all the weights value are same they are update in next iteration.
- weights value are update with the help of. backpropagation. (further iteration)
- weights are update till convergence. to minimize the error (prediction of word)
- the Bahdanau attention is also called the additive. attention.

(ii) Luong Attention

Here $\alpha_{ij} = f(s_i, h_j)$

lets $s_i = [a \ b \ c \ d]$

$h_j = [e \ f \ g \ h]$

dot product of s_i and h_j
 $e_{ij} = ae + bf + cg + dh = \text{attention value}$

$\alpha_{ij} = \text{softmax}(e_{ij})$

~~ans~~ why Luong attention use the current state for calculating the attention

- because. we got a updated information and. we use the less complex function use in Luong attention to calculate the attention value that is dot product of s_i and h_j
- and Luong attention architecture is less complex.

$$e = [s_1 h_1 \quad s_1 h_2 \quad s_1 h_3 \quad s_1 h_4]$$

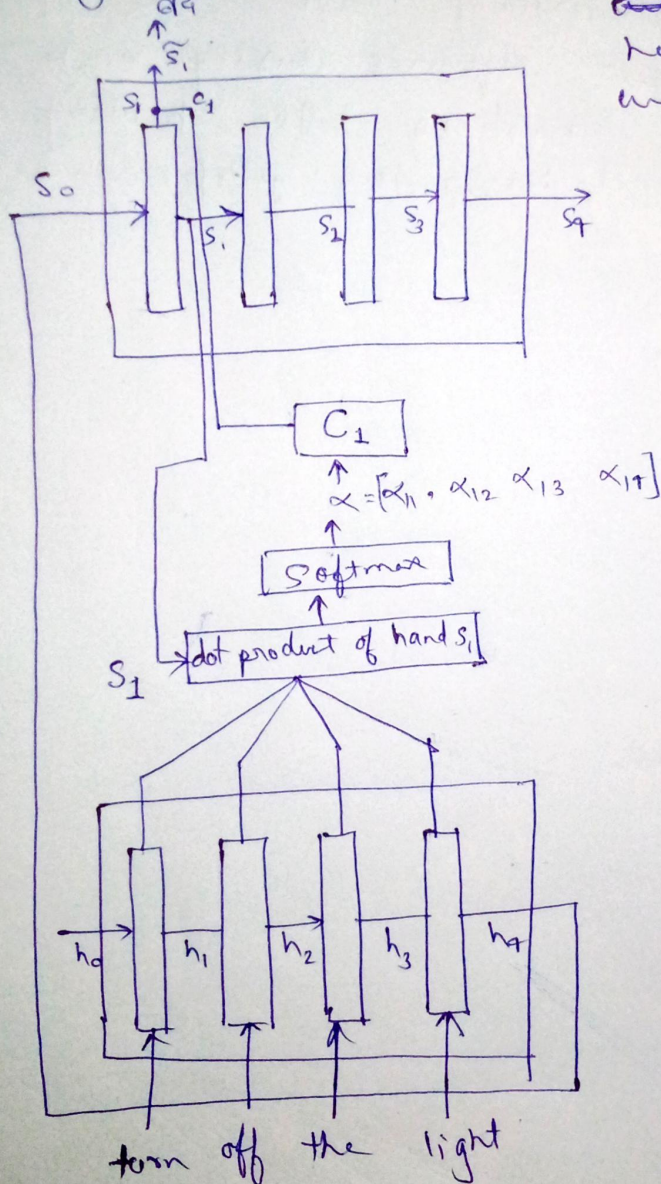
$$e = [e_{11} \quad e_{12} \quad e_{13} \quad e_{14}]$$

$$\alpha_{ij} = \text{softmax}(e)$$

$$\alpha_{ij} = [\alpha_{11} \quad \alpha_{12} \quad \alpha_{13} \quad \alpha_{14}]$$

Luong attention architecture:

here we assume that we are at time step 1
 $i=1$



- this attention is also called the multiplicative attention

why we required the Bahdanau and Luong attention?

- seq2seq model with an encoder-decoder architecture traditionally suffer from the bottleneck of compressing all input information into a single fixed-length context vector.
- Attention mechanism mitigate this by letting the decoder dynamically "attend" to different part of the input sequence during each decoding step, enabling better handling of long sequences and improving performance.