



Tutorial 5

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Word Embeddings



Word Embedding Types

- Static
 - (e.g.: Word2Vec, GloVe)
- Contextual
 - (e.g.: ELMo, BERT)

Skip-gram embeddings

Train a model that predicts context words:

[CONTEXT TARGET CONTEXT]

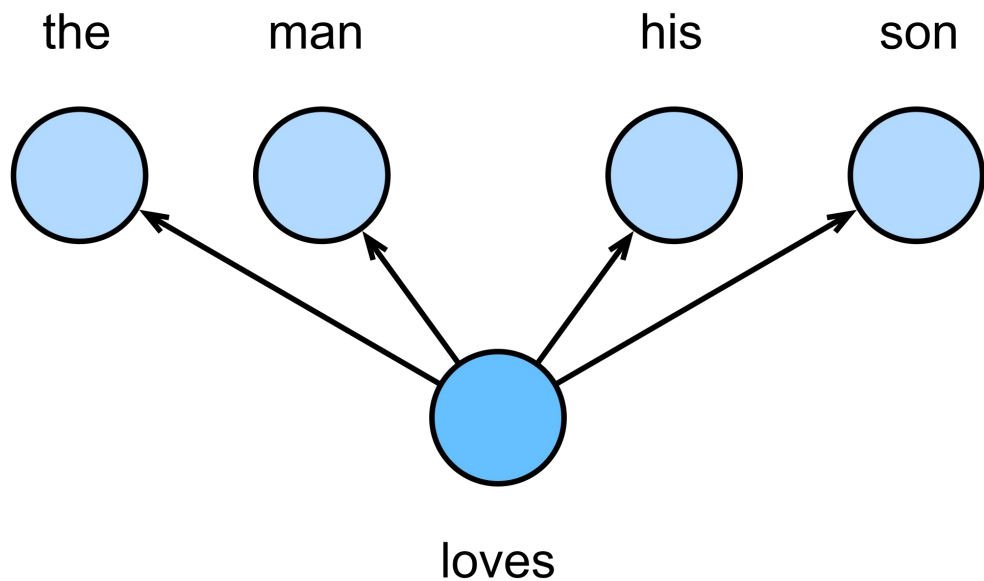


Image: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Word2vec>

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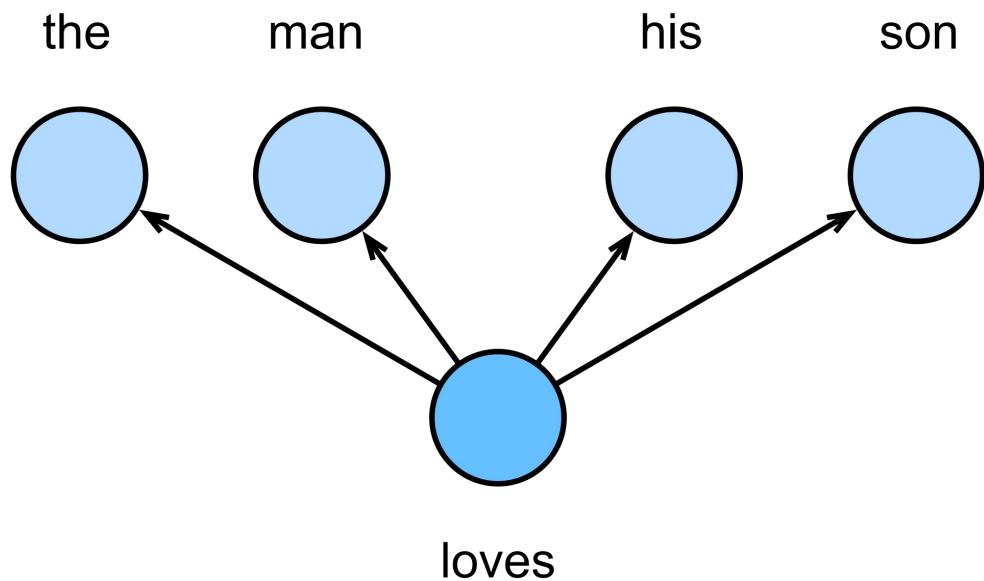


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Skip-gram embeddings

In other words...

Suppose this is our training data:

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.

Target word: FOX

A model with a context size 1 will predict:

FOX, brown

FOX, jumps



Byte Pair Encoding



Lexicon

- Let's imagine that you're training a machine translation system.
- Will it see **ALL** possible words in target and source language?
 - No! There will always be words your system hasn't seen!
- How do you deal with **unseen words**?
 - Subword units!



Byte Pair Encoding

```
function BYTE-PAIR ENCODING(strings  $C$ , number of merges  $k$ ) returns vocab  $V$ 

 $V \leftarrow$  all unique characters in  $C$            # initial set of tokens is characters
for  $i = 1$  to  $k$  do                             # merge tokens  $k$  times
     $t_L, t_R \leftarrow$  Most frequent pair of adjacent tokens in  $C$ 
     $t_{NEW} \leftarrow t_L + t_R$                  # make new token by concatenating
     $V \leftarrow V + t_{NEW}$                      # update the vocabulary
    Replace each occurrence of  $t_L, t_R$  in  $C$  with  $t_{NEW}$  # and update the corpus
return  $V$ 
```

Figure 2.13 The token learner part of the BPE algorithm for taking a corpus broken up into individual characters or bytes, and learning a vocabulary by iteratively merging tokens. Figure adapted from [Bostrom and Durrett \(2020\)](#).



Byte Pair Encoding

In practice:

- Very frequent words are likely to be stored whole
- Rare and unseen words can still be handled
- Manageable vocabulary size



Attention

Class Slide 15

Attention Head (contd.)

- Now we have projected the inputs with three transformations
- We use the query and the key to compute attention

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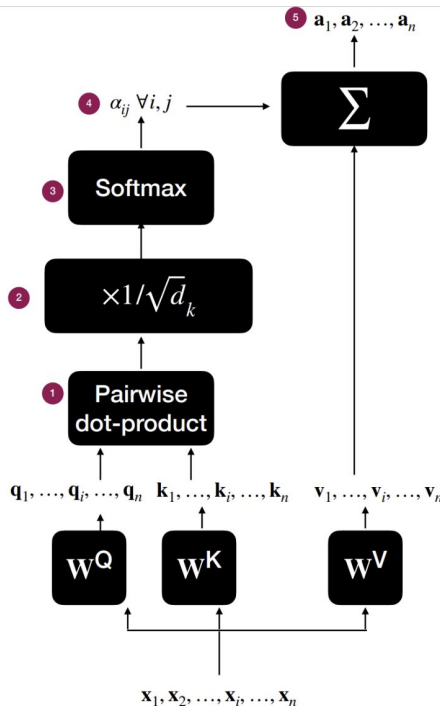
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Causal attention

Because we are only looking at the past

Full attention

Looks at both past and the future



Attention Head (contd.)

Calculate α_3

How to calculate the weight

row α_3 ?

α_3 is a row. Think: What is its individual components?

Hint: what are j 's that are smaller than i ($i = 3$, the query number), starting from 1?

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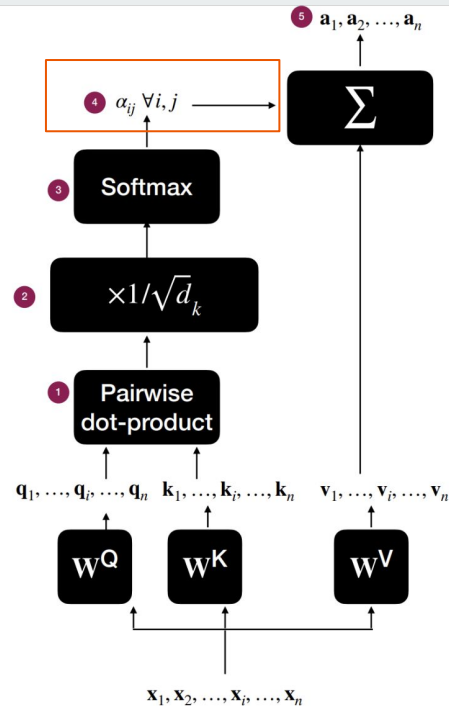
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α_3 ?

α_3 is a combination of

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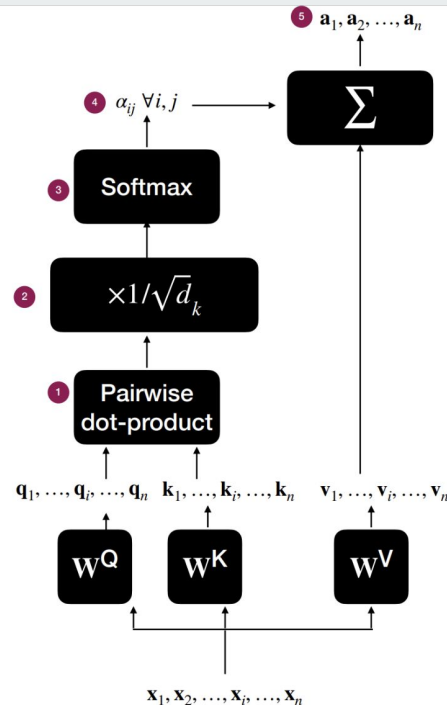
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Now, calculate the score for each pair of q_i and k_j

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Then, do softmax for these three together.

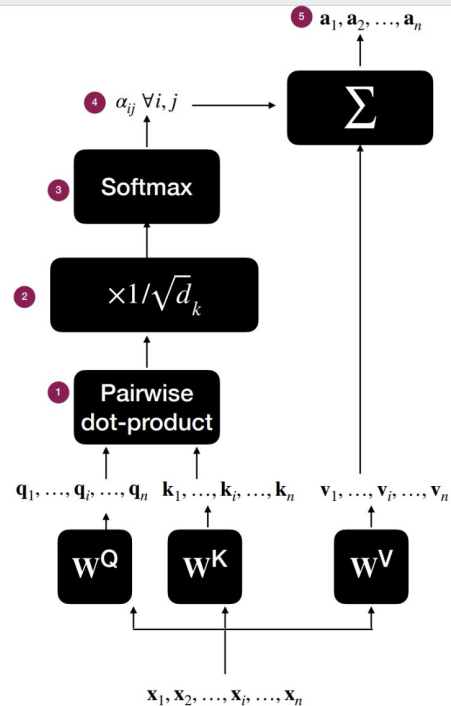
Then we get α_{31} , α_{32} , and α_{33}

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Q: query
K: key

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$$\text{Softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_K}}\right) =$$

		K		
		I	am	good
Q	I	0.90	0.07	0.03
	am	0.025	0.95	0.025
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Query and Key

Note how it is written here:
For any j that is smaller than i ...
This means

1. i is bigger than j
2. i is your current position, and j is the information before

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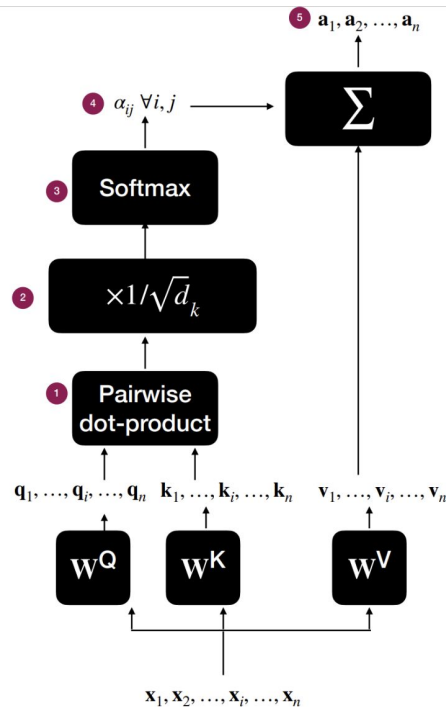
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Query and Key

Query (Q): a search request in a database.

You send a request - Find me all books about dragons - to the library database.

Key (K): labels or tags attached to items in the database.

In the library, each book might have keys like "genre", "author", "subject"

How to Kill a Dragon: 'dragon', 'Indo-European linguistics', 'Calvert Watkins'

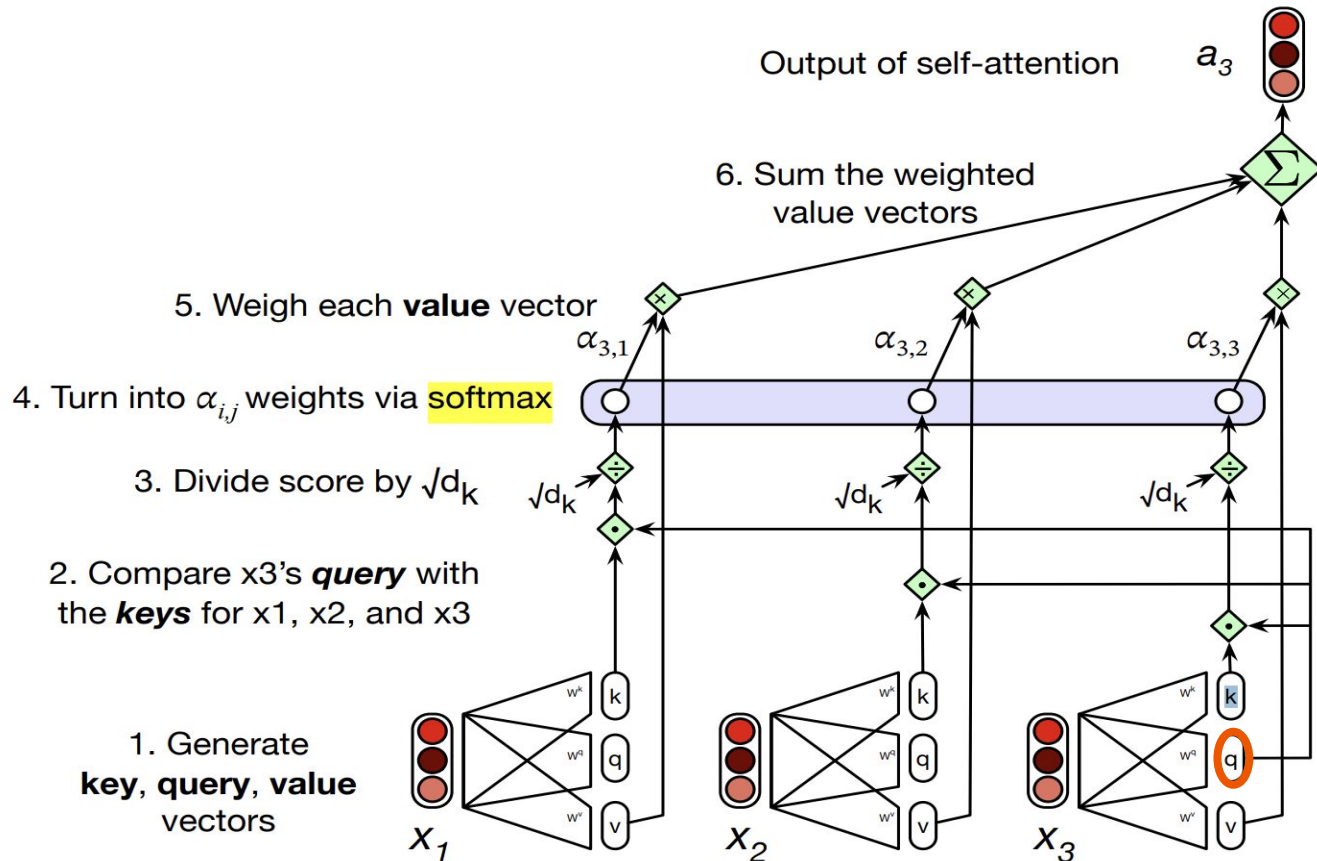
How does Q work with K ?

The system compares the Q to the K.

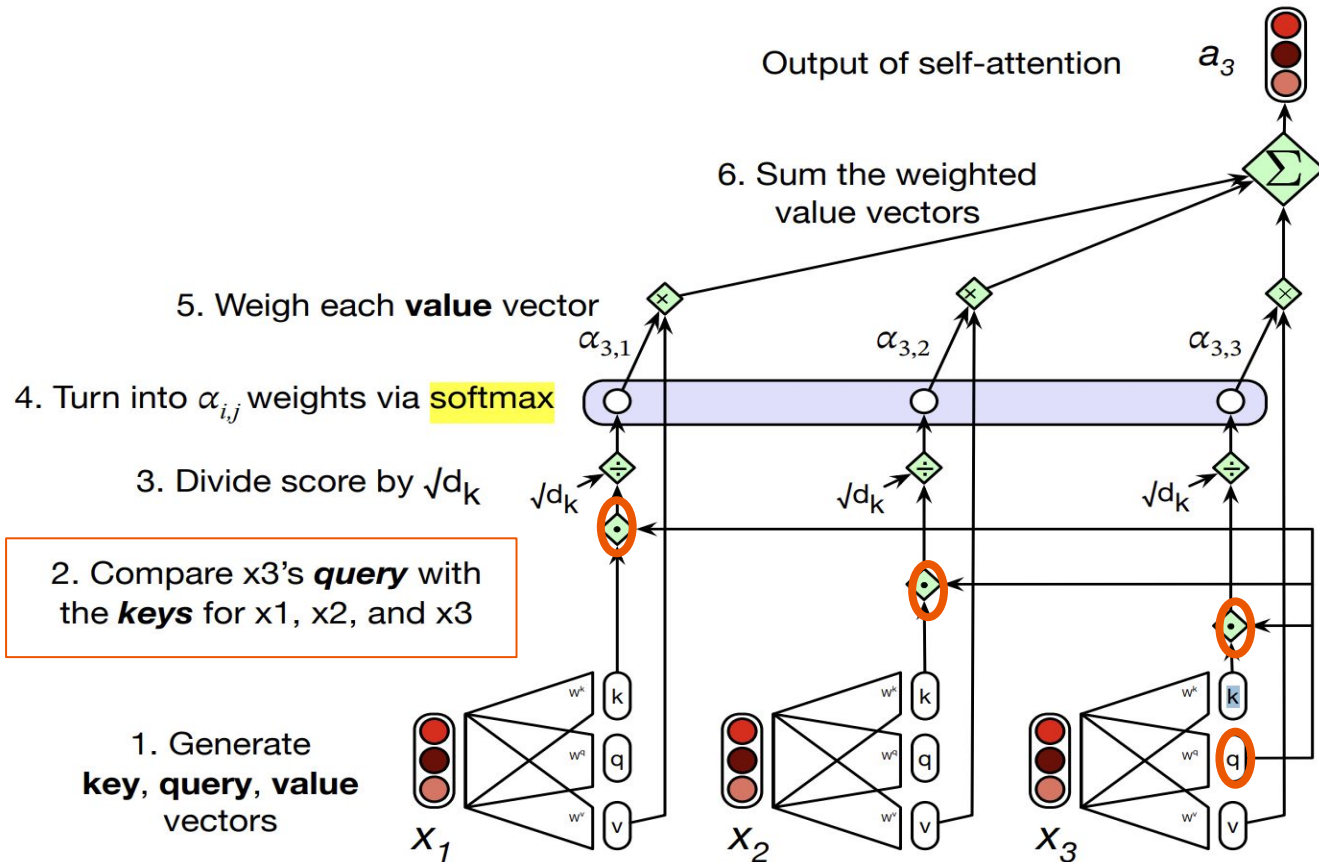
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What this graph means:

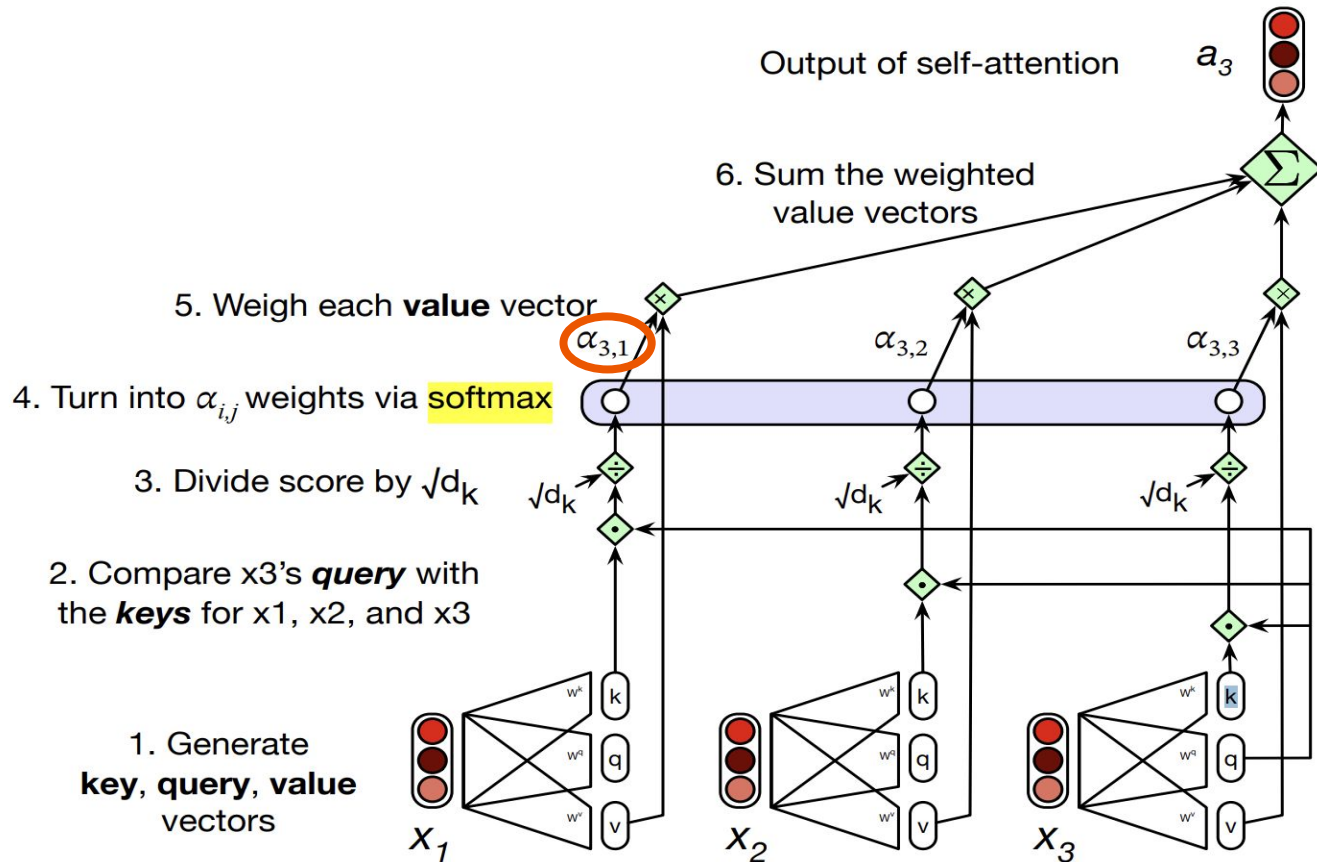
You calculate for x_3



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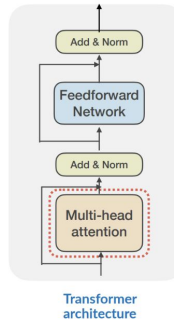
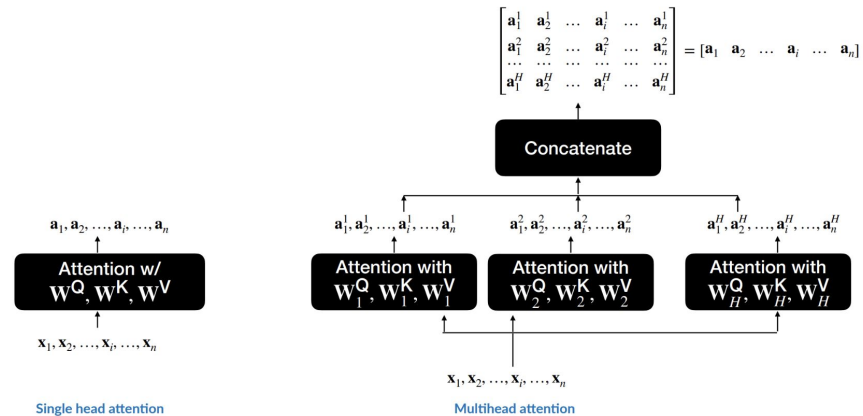
Attention

Multi-head attention (see class slides)

Masked-attention

Bidirectional Self Attention

Multihead attention



Attention

This formula in class is: masked self attention

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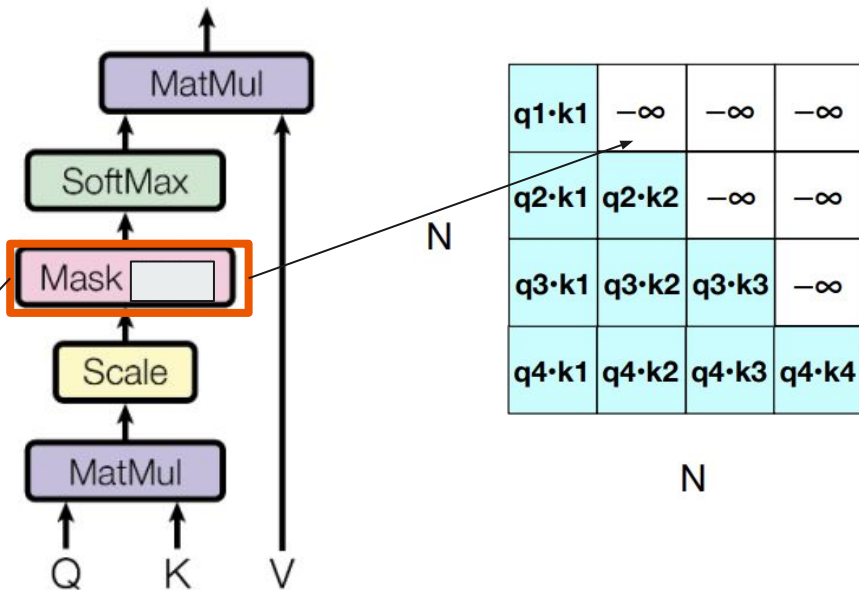
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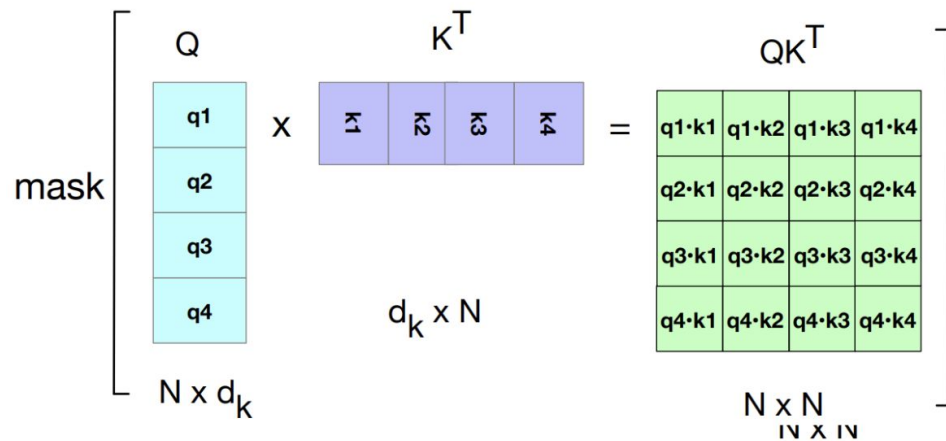
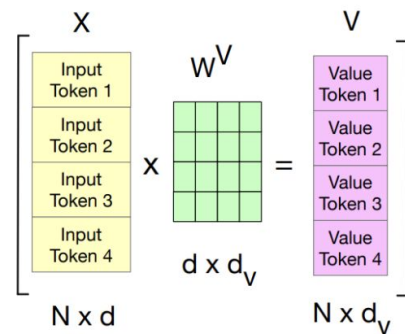
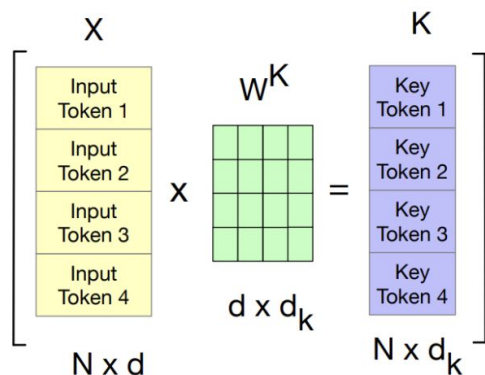
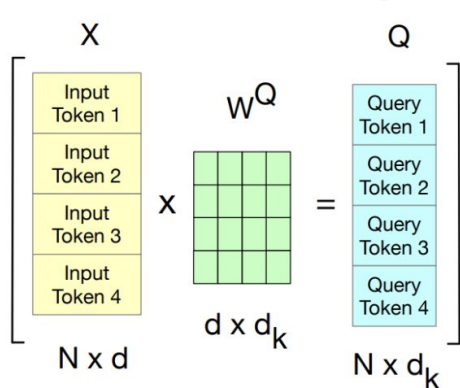
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Encoder-decoder attention (not self-attention)

Attention again





More resources?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iDulhoQ2pro> (Yannic Kilcher)

Or search for “attention calculation” “self-attention math” etc. on Youtube or medium



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