

Machine Learning Techniques for Text

Module 7: Summarizing Wikipedia Articles

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Overview



- As more content is available online, the less easy it is to discover and consume the most important information efficiently
- Automatically extracting the gist of longer texts into an accurate summary and thus eliminating irrelevant content is urgently needed
- This module introduces another challenging topic in natural language processing (NLP) and demystifies methods for **text summarization**
 - To implement pertinent systems, we exploit data coming from the web
 - Besides the standard text summarization methods, we delve into a state-of-the-art architecture that provides exceptional performance in many real-world applications
 - The specific topology extends the **sequence-to-sequence** (seq2seq) architectures we have already discussed and combines many concepts encountered throughout the seminar
 - Finally, we discuss the metrics to assess the performance of relevant systems

Module objectives



After completing this module, you should be able to:

- Discussing different techniques for text summarization
- Applying web crawling and data scraping
- Understanding related web technologies
- Implementing state-of-the-art architectures for text summarization
- Evaluating relevant systems using the appropriate metrics

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Section 1: Understanding text summarization

Introduction



- People have an inherent tendency to reduce their information load by attending to specific parts of their visual stimuli
- It is, therefore, not a surprise that many stakeholders seize the opportunity to offer products that alleviate this load
- The current module focuses on **text summarization**, which is the process of condensing a piece of text into a shorter version while preserving critical information and the overall meaning of the original
- Similar to machine translation, the task is not a simple text-to-text transformation because context is essential to fluently pass the intended message in the output summary

Introduction



- In school, we were often asked to summarize large documents and demonstrate our capacity to understand and extract the most valuable information from the text
- Some students would highlight specific parts of the original document and include verbatim reproductions of these fragments in the output summary
- Others aimed to comprehend the content more deeply and identify the most crucial information. Then, they had to formulate sentences from scratch that conveyed the original meaning
- Based on this analogy, there are two types of text summarization: ***extractive*** and ***abstractive***

Introduction



- The highlighted text in the input is used for the ***extractive summary***
 - ... but it's unclear how we chose it in the first place
- The formulation in the ***abstractive summary*** is even more obscure

Input

The graphics processing unit, or GPU, is optimized hardware for training artificial intelligence and deep learning models. With a large number of cores, it allows the breaking down of complex tasks into smaller subtasks and sets them to run in parallel. Consider the central processing unit (CPU), a Ferrari, and the GPU, a big truck. This is because a CPU can quickly fetch a small amount of data from the RAM, whereas a GPU can fetch a large amount at once.

Extractive summary

The GPU is hardware for training models. It allows subtasks to run in parallel. A CPU can fetch a small amount of data whereas a GPU a large amount.

Abstractive summary

The GPU is hardware optimized for training machine learning models using concurrent subtasks. While a CPU can fetch a small amount of data, a GPU has more fetching capacity.

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Section 2: Understanding web scraping

Introduction

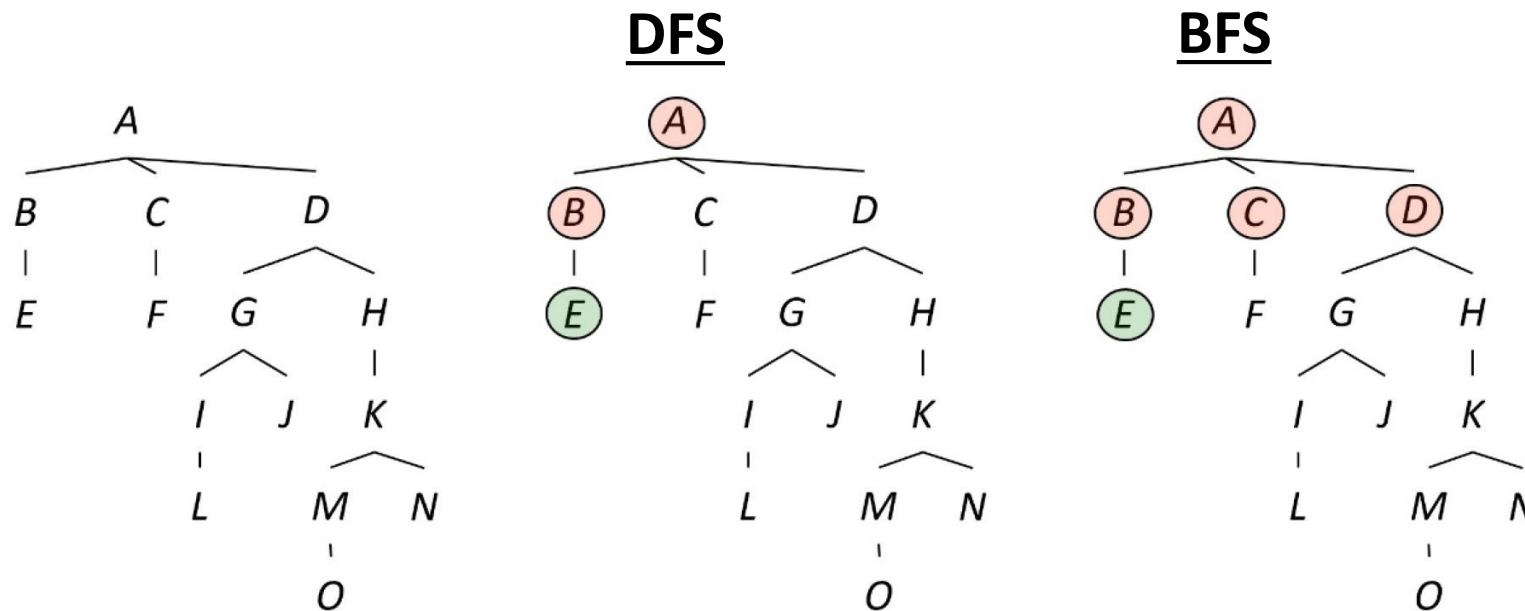


- Suitable corpora are rarely available for free, and it's the data scientist's primary responsibility to harvest them
- The **world wide web** (WWW) is a goldmine where we can resort to finding or augmenting our datasets using **web scraping**, the process of collecting and parsing raw data from the web
- For this task to succeed, **web crawlers** are used to retrieve the requested content
- These are also known as **spiders** because they crawl all over the web, just as real spiders crawl on their spiderwebs

The crawling process



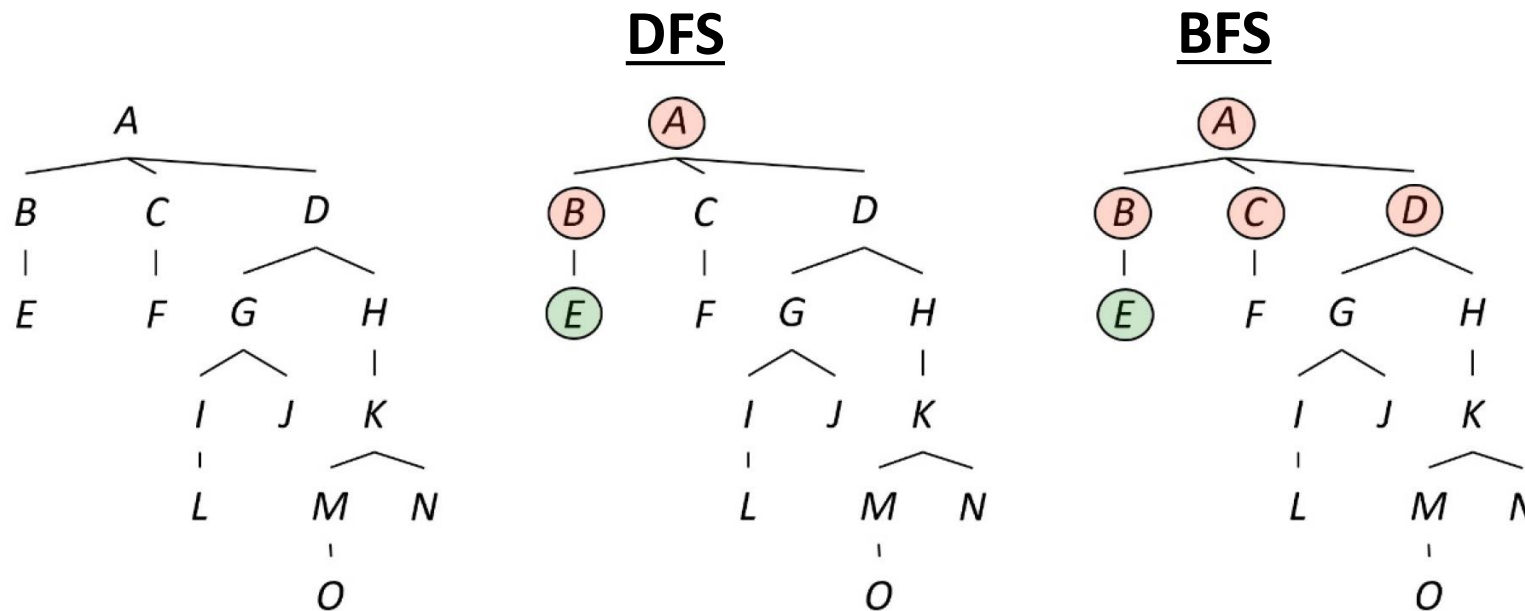
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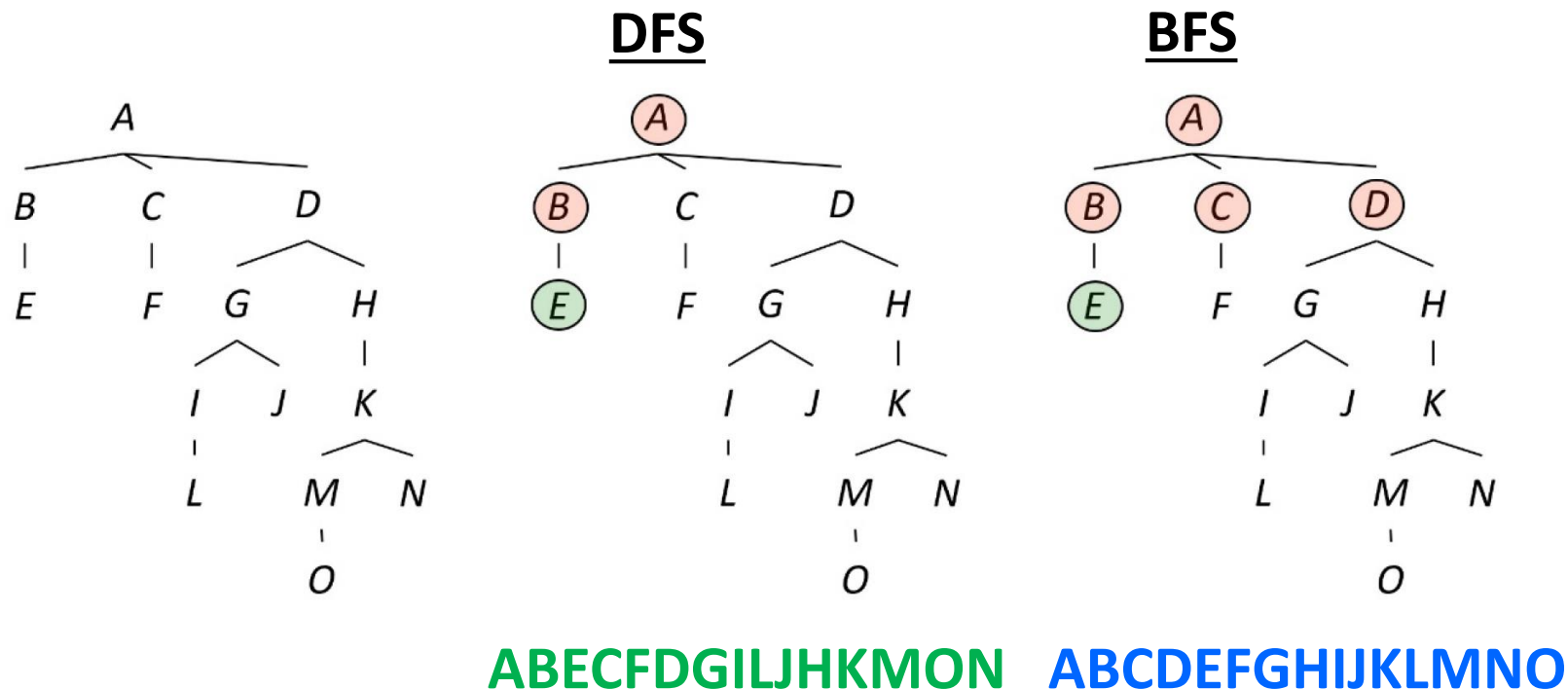


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The crawling process



- The web scraping task is far from easy, as websites come in different shapes and forms and it's in the self interest of the site to block the scraping process to avoid overwhelming the server with requests
- Additionally, the ***completely automated public turing test to tell computers and humans apart*** (CAPTCHA), despite being annoying for end users, helps verify that the request came from an actual human, not an internet bot CAPTCHAs are one of the most popular anti-scraping techniques available
- As a way to assist the scraping process, many websites include a file called ***robots.txt*** that explicitly dictates which parts of the site cannot be crawled

HTML code



```
<div class="quote" itemscope="" itemtype="http://schema.org/CreativeWork">

  <span class="text" itemprop="text">
    "The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking.
    It cannot be changed without changing our thinking."</span>

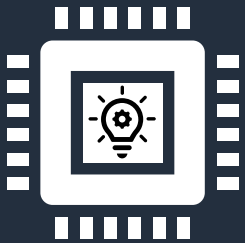
  <span>by <small class="author" itemprop="author">
    Albert Einstein</small>
    <a href="https://quotes.toscrape.com/author/Albert-Einstein">
      (about)</a></span>

  <div class="tags">
    Tags:
    <meta class="keywords" itemprop="keywords"
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Let's practice!



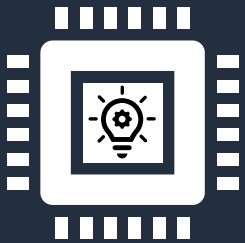
Tasks

- Web scraping



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Section 3: Performing extractive summarization

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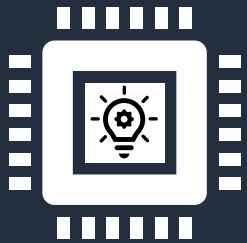


- **Extractive summarization** identifies important words or phrases and stitches them together to produce a condensed version of the original text
- Use **Sumy** - module for automatic summarization of text documents and HTML pages

```
from sumy.summarizers.lex_rank import LexRankSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.luhn import LuhnSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.lsa import LsaSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.text_rank import TextRankSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.edmundson import EdmundsonSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.kl import KLSummarizer
from sumy.summarizers.reduction import ReductionSummarizer
```

- A good starting point is the following link:
 - <https://miso-belica.github.io/sumy/summarizators.html>

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Tasks

- Web scraping
- Extractive summarization



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Section 3: Performing abstractive summarization

- ***Abstractive summarization*** generates novel sentences by rephrasing the reference and introducing new text
- This task is quite challenging, and for this reason, more sophisticated methods are required
- This section adopts a step-by-step approach to present pertinent concepts and techniques
- Ultimately, we glue all the pieces together in a state-of-the-art model for abstractive summarization

Attention mechanism

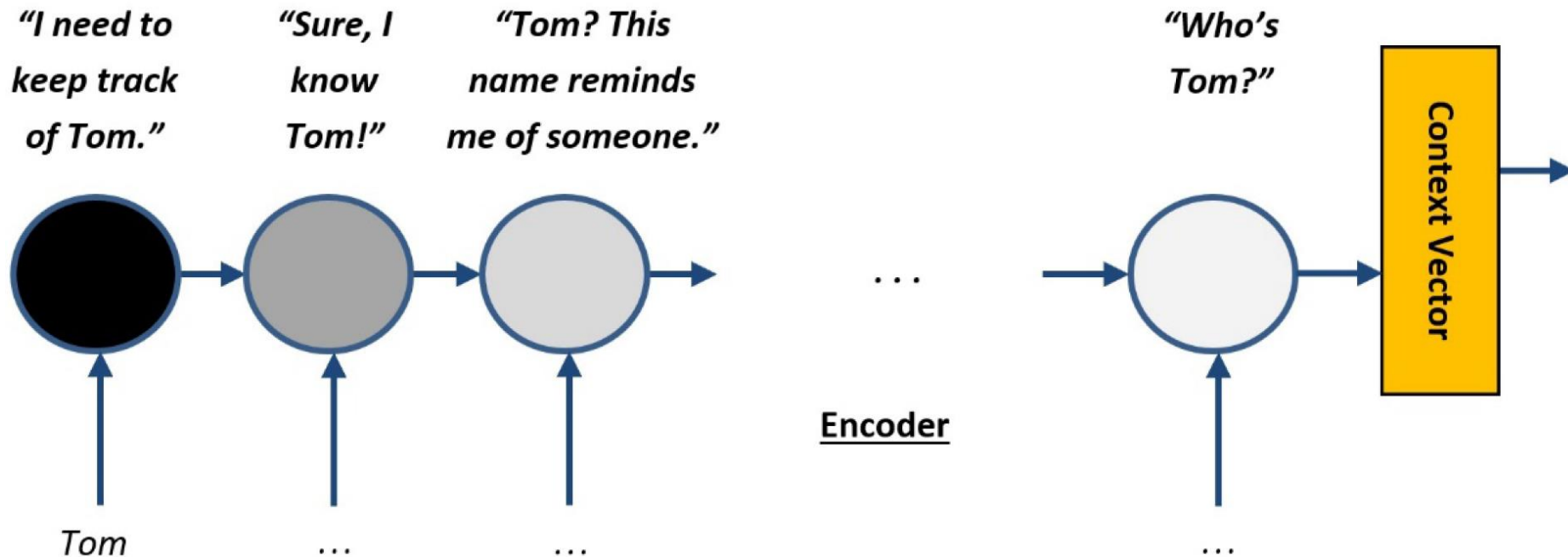


- The **encoder-decoder seq2seq** architecture suitable for translating sentences from a source language to a target one
- The complete input is encoded in a **context vector** used by the **decoder** to produce a translation
- In actual human communications, we tend to listen to the whole sentence before responding
- The context vector represents this process; it crams the whole input into a single vector
- But as humans tend to forget important information, so can seq2seq models
- **Long Short-Term Memory** (LSTM) units and **Gated Recurrent Units** (GRUs), tend to remember information for longer periods

Attention mechanism



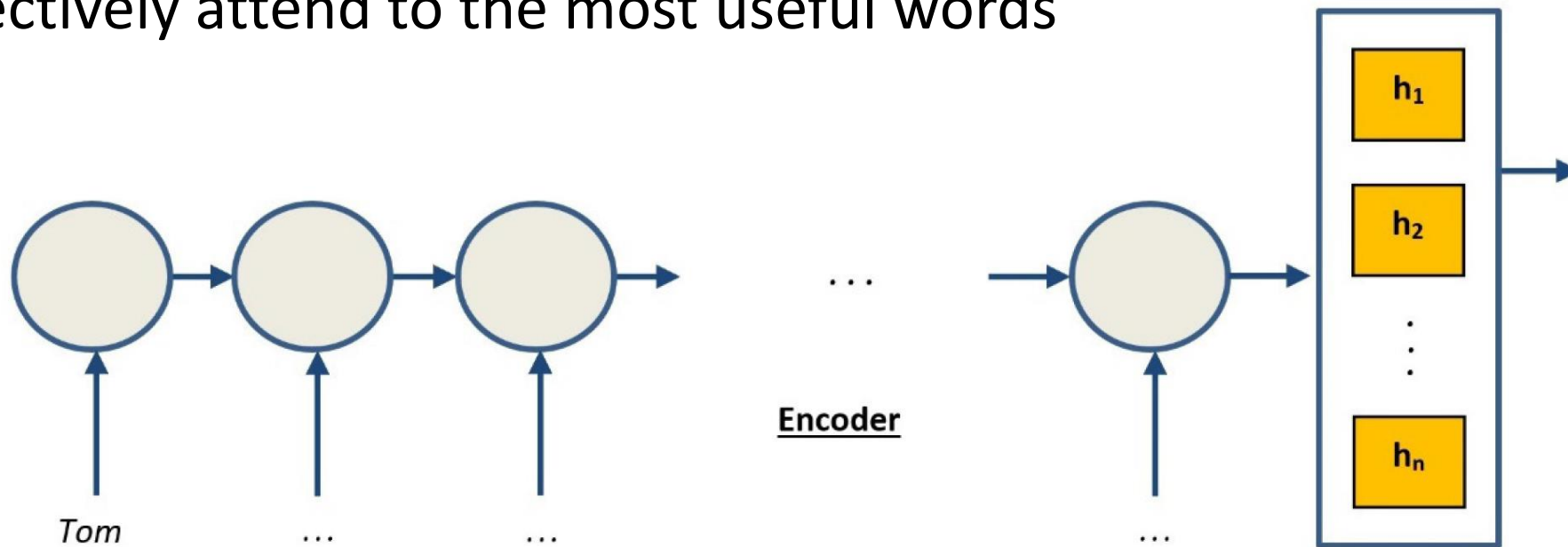
- However, when the input sequences become sufficiently large, even these networks cease to include all important information in their context vector
- The words' influence at the beginning of the input becomes smaller and smaller after the consecutive updates in the intermediate hidden states of the encoder



Attention mechanism



- A better approach is to use all hidden states and weigh individual words in the input sequence according to their impact on the target
- This approach is the basic idea behind the **attention mechanism**
- The encoder passes all hidden states to the decoder which can selectively attend to the most useful words

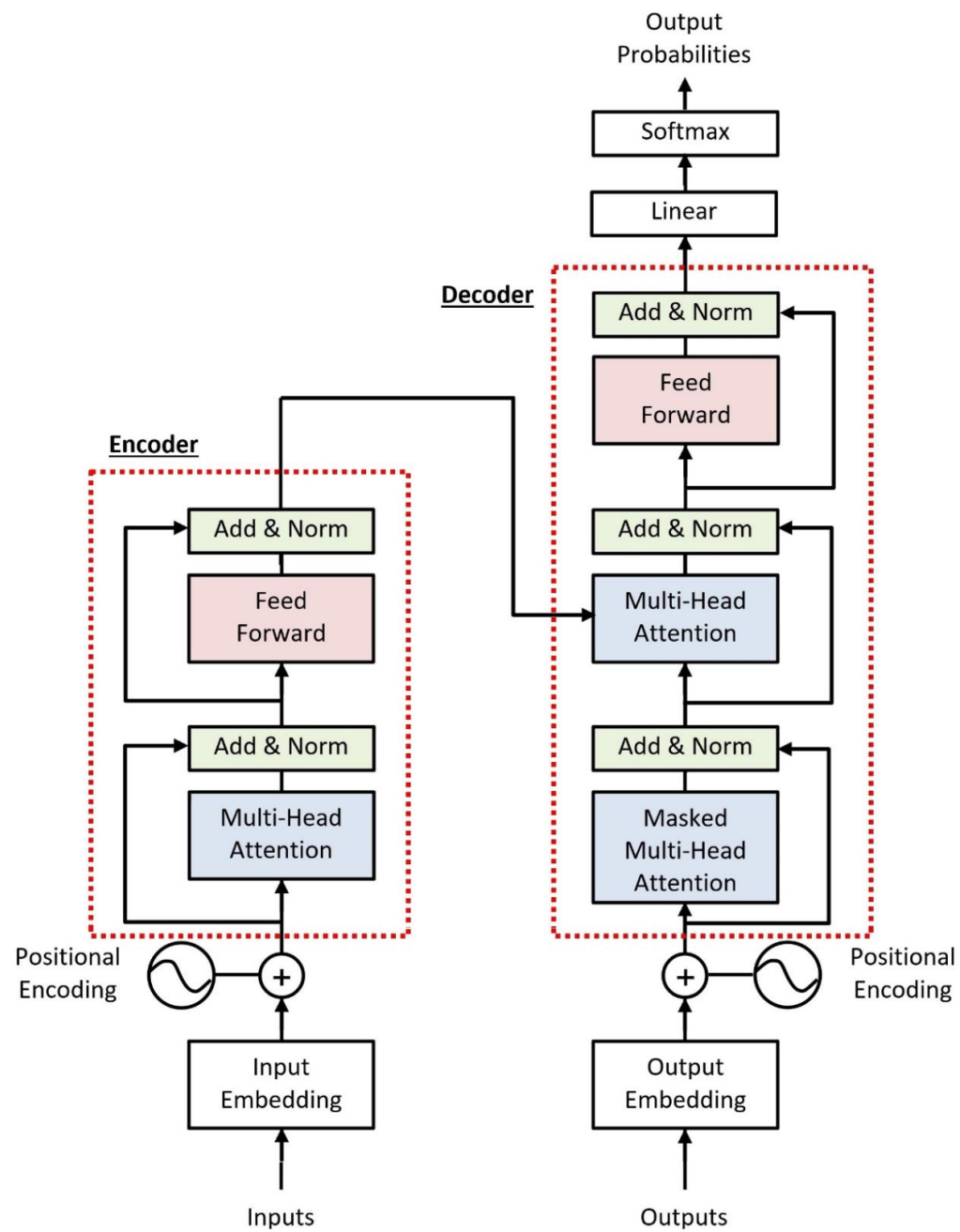


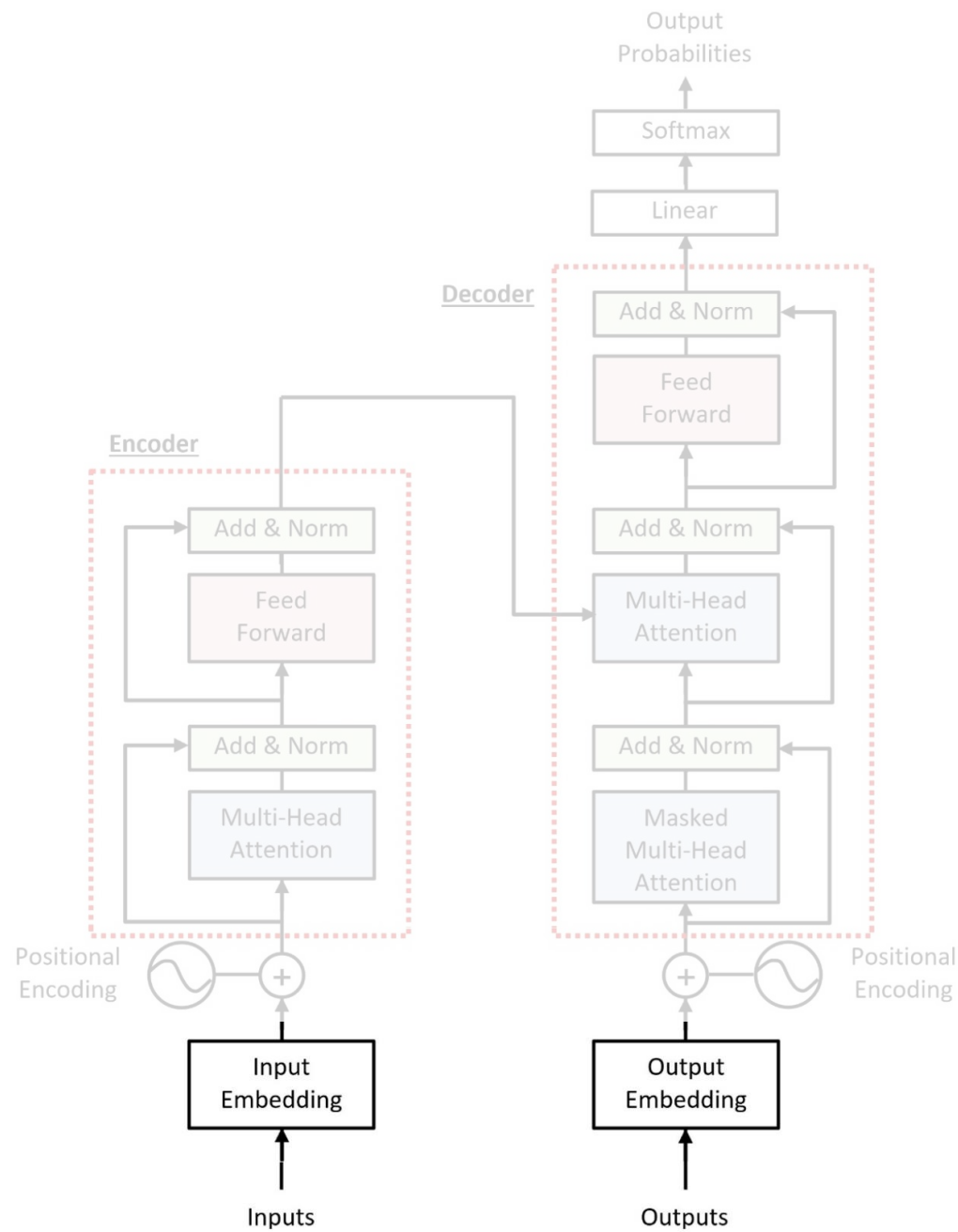
The transformer model



- Imagine a team of editors that each specializes in different aspects of a manuscript, collectively working to condense lengthy texts into concise summaries
- The editors focus on various positions in input sequences, paying attention to specific details and collaborate to ensure the final summary captures the essence of the original text
- The **transformer model** is inspired by the collaborative dynamics of the team of editors, employing parallel processing and selective attention mechanisms to maintain the essence of the original content
- The transformer model replaces the recurrent layers most commonly used in encoder-decoder architectures with multi-headed self-attention to boost the performance of **deep neural networks** (DNNs)





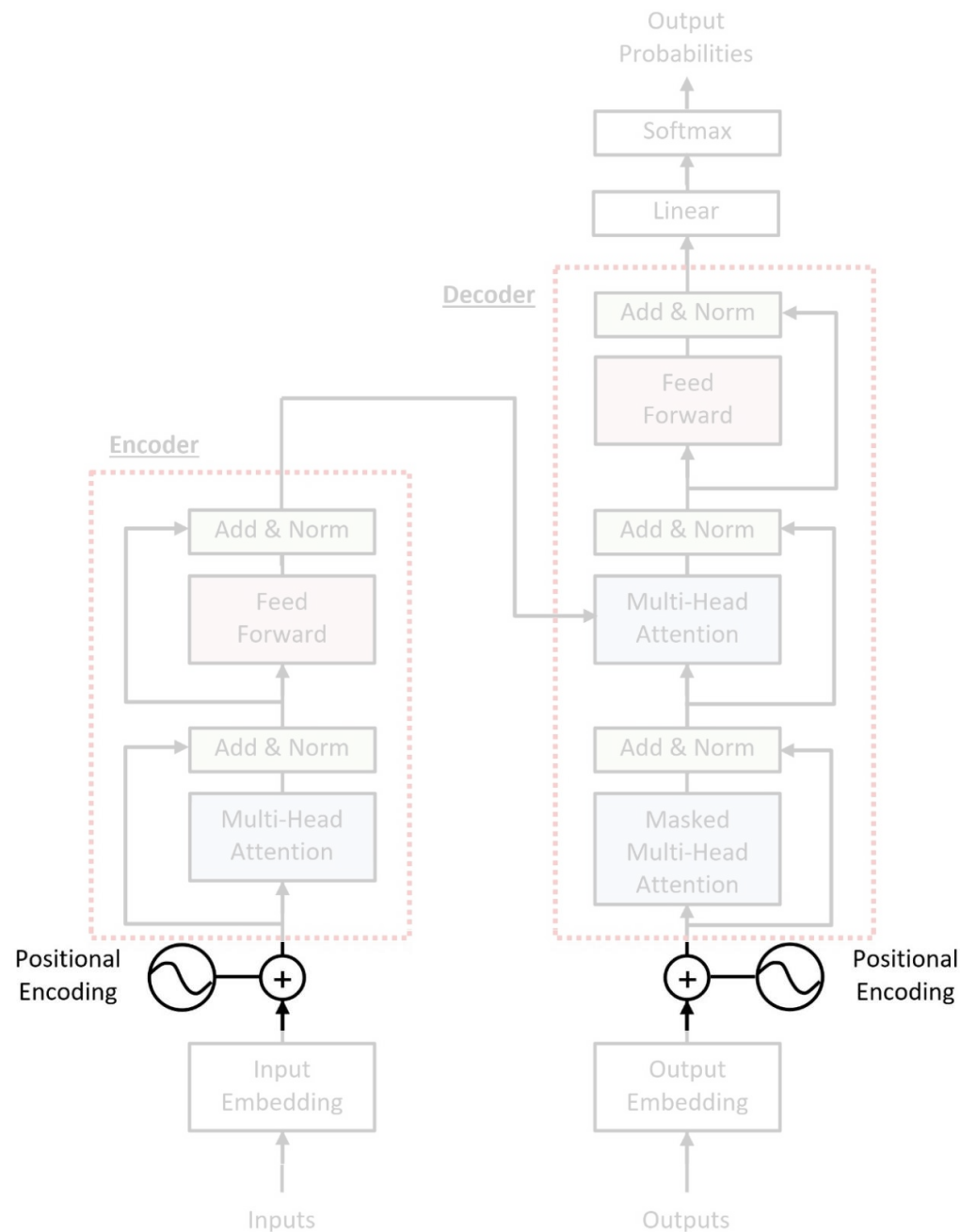


Problem

Represent the input/output sentences

Solution

Use word embedding



Problem

Identical words placed in different positions can change the sentence's meaning entirely

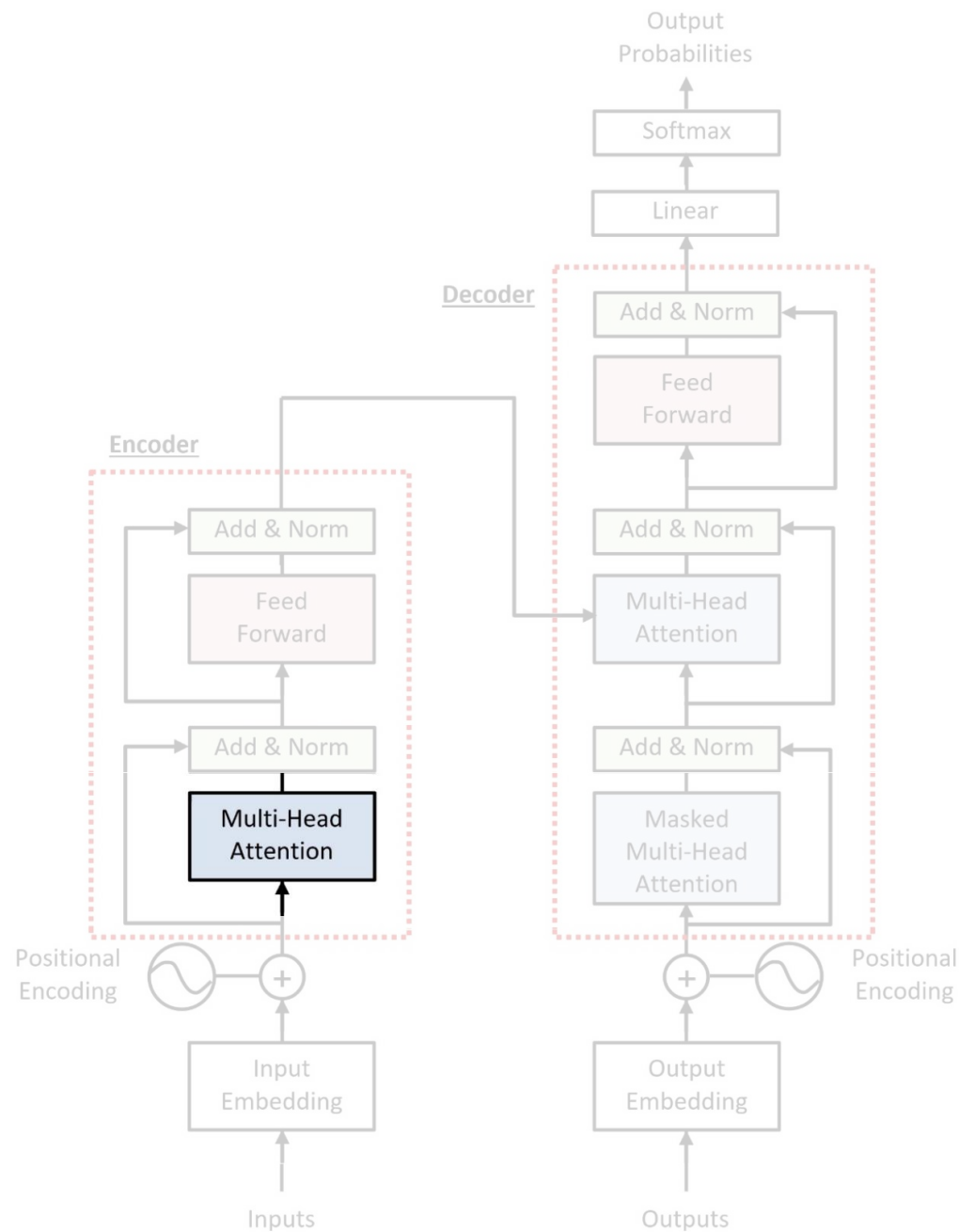
For example:

Paul bit a dog versus ***A dog bit Paul***

Solution

Use **positional encoding** that adds the necessary spatial information about each word in a vector of the same size as the embeddings one

After calculating the positional encoding vector, we add it to the embedding vector, which now includes an injected pattern with spatial information for the words

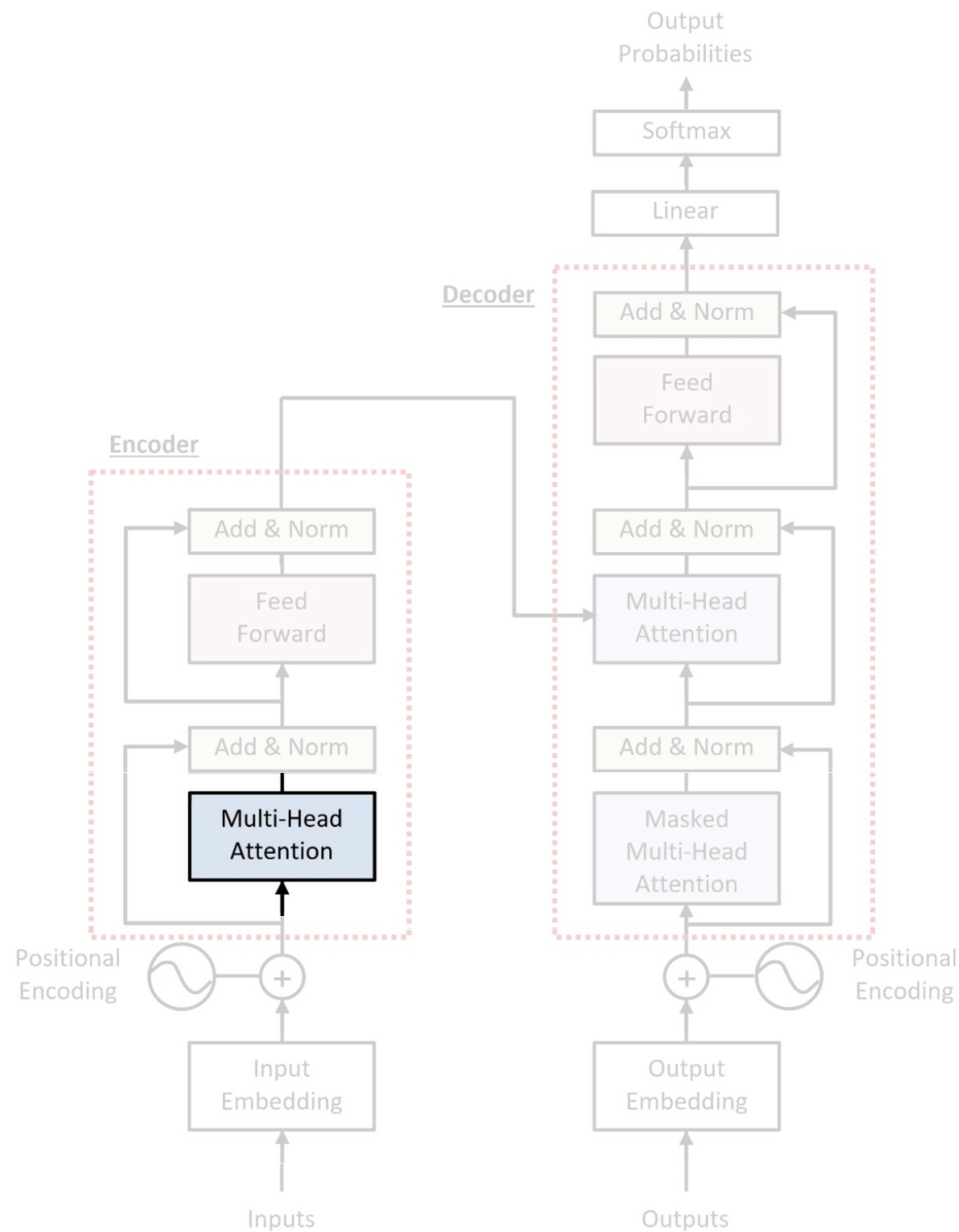


Problem

Having a rich representation of the input at our disposal, we need a component that can attend to the most critical information

Solution

Use ***self-attention*** that allows the inputs to interact with each other and the model learns where to pay attention



Simple attention

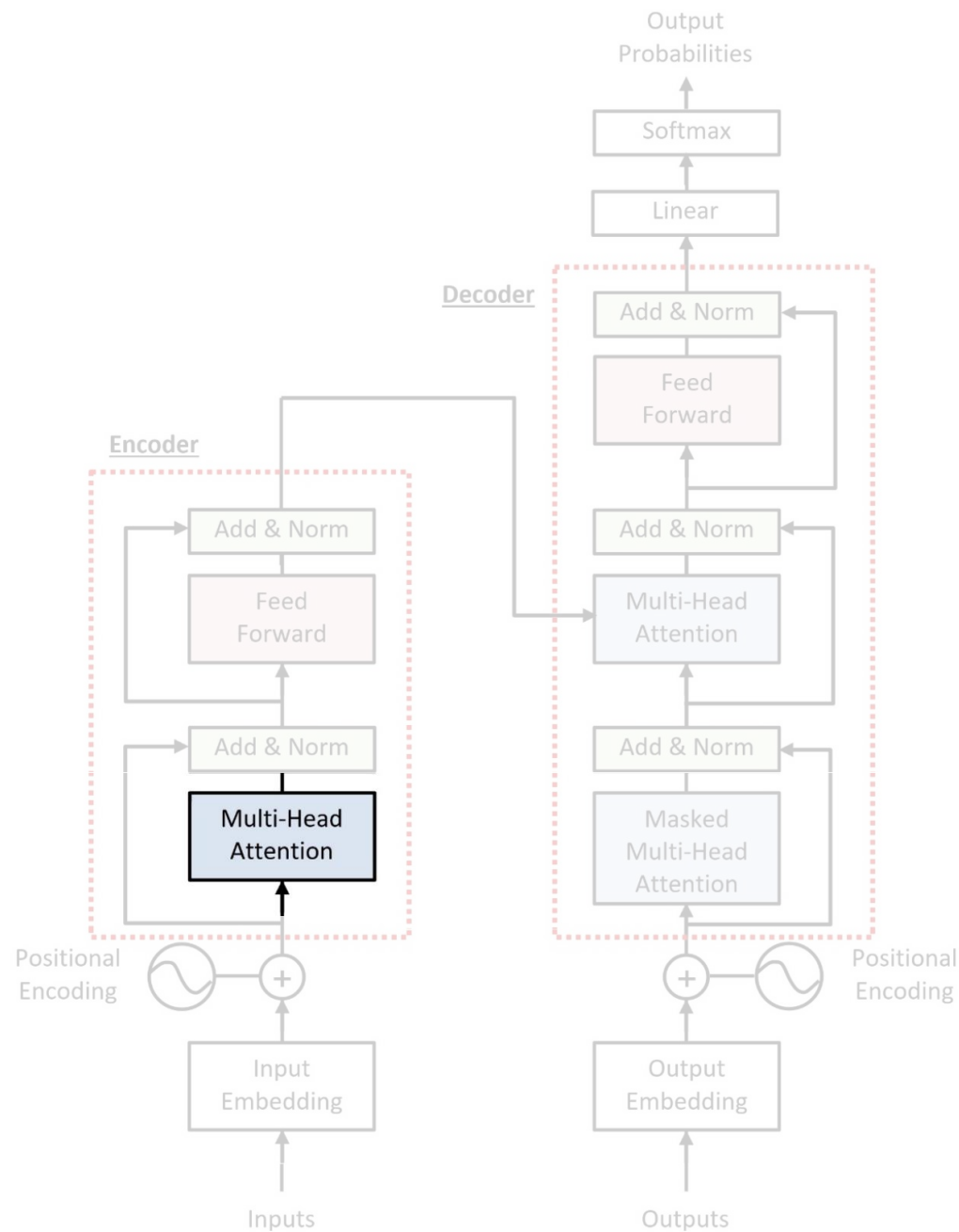
Who framed Roger Rabbit?

Judge Doom is a fictional character who appears as the main **antagonist** in the 1988 film **Who Framed Roger Rabbit**, portrayed by Christopher Lloyd.

Self-attention

We can *park* a car and we can walk in a *park*.

I will **park** the **car** so we can **walk** in the **park**.

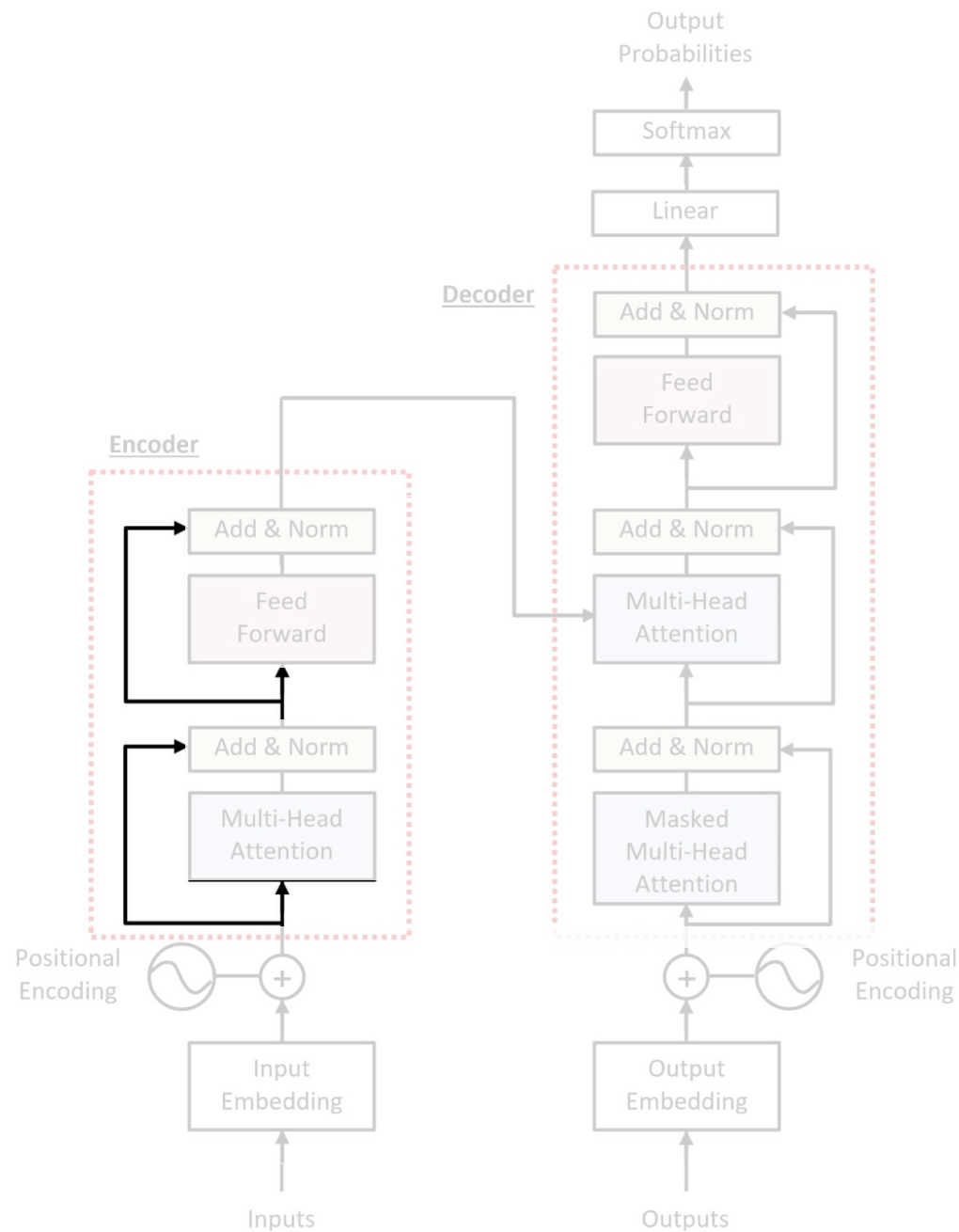


Problem

Applying a single attention filter enough to attend to all critical information

Solution

Use **multi-head attention** by stacking more than one attention component together to focus on different parts of the input

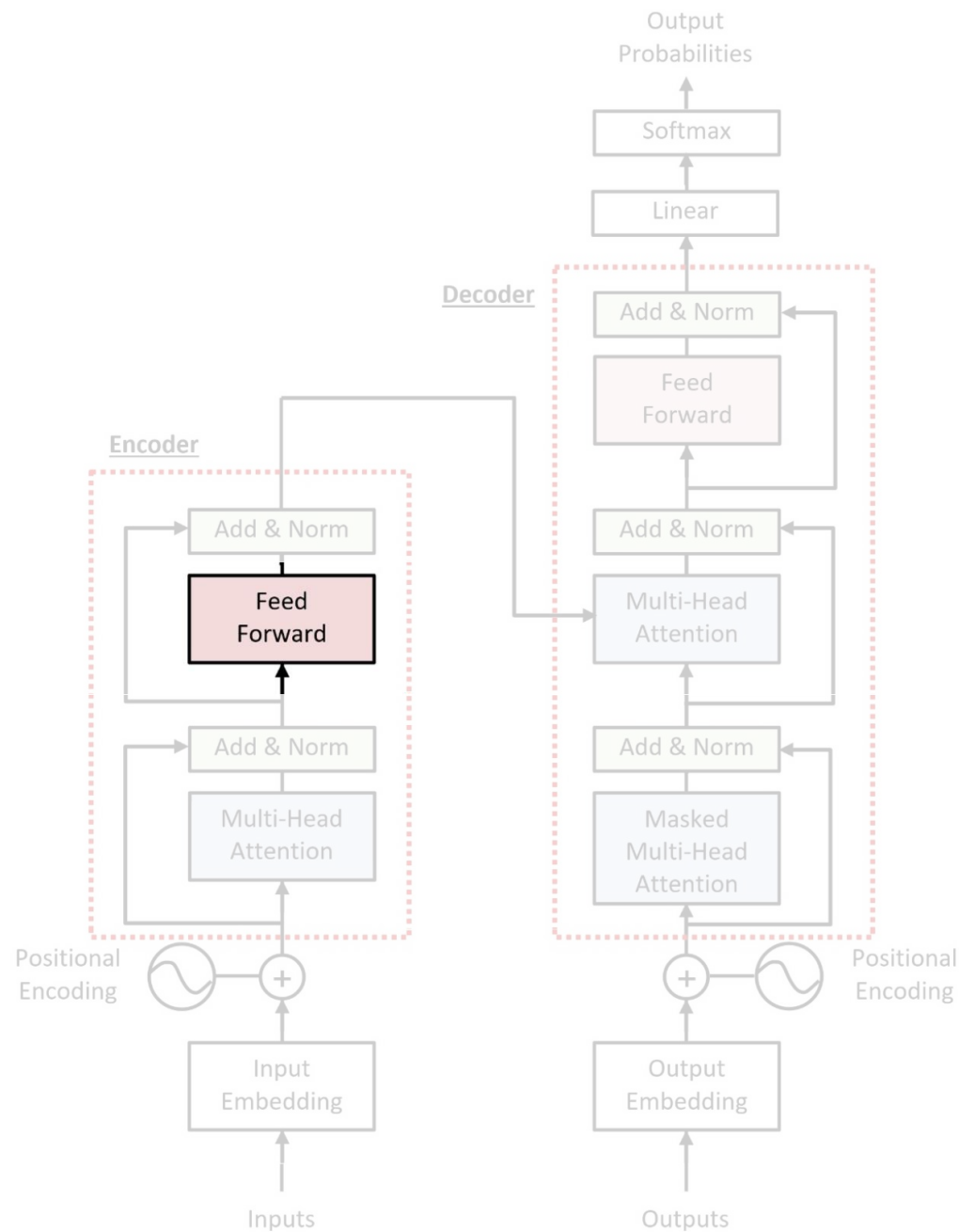


Problem

The more processing that happens to the data, the more information is lost about its original form. Preserving possible previous versions of the data becomes a necessity

Solution

Use **residual connections** that provides alternative paths for data to reach the latter parts of the network by bypassing some layers

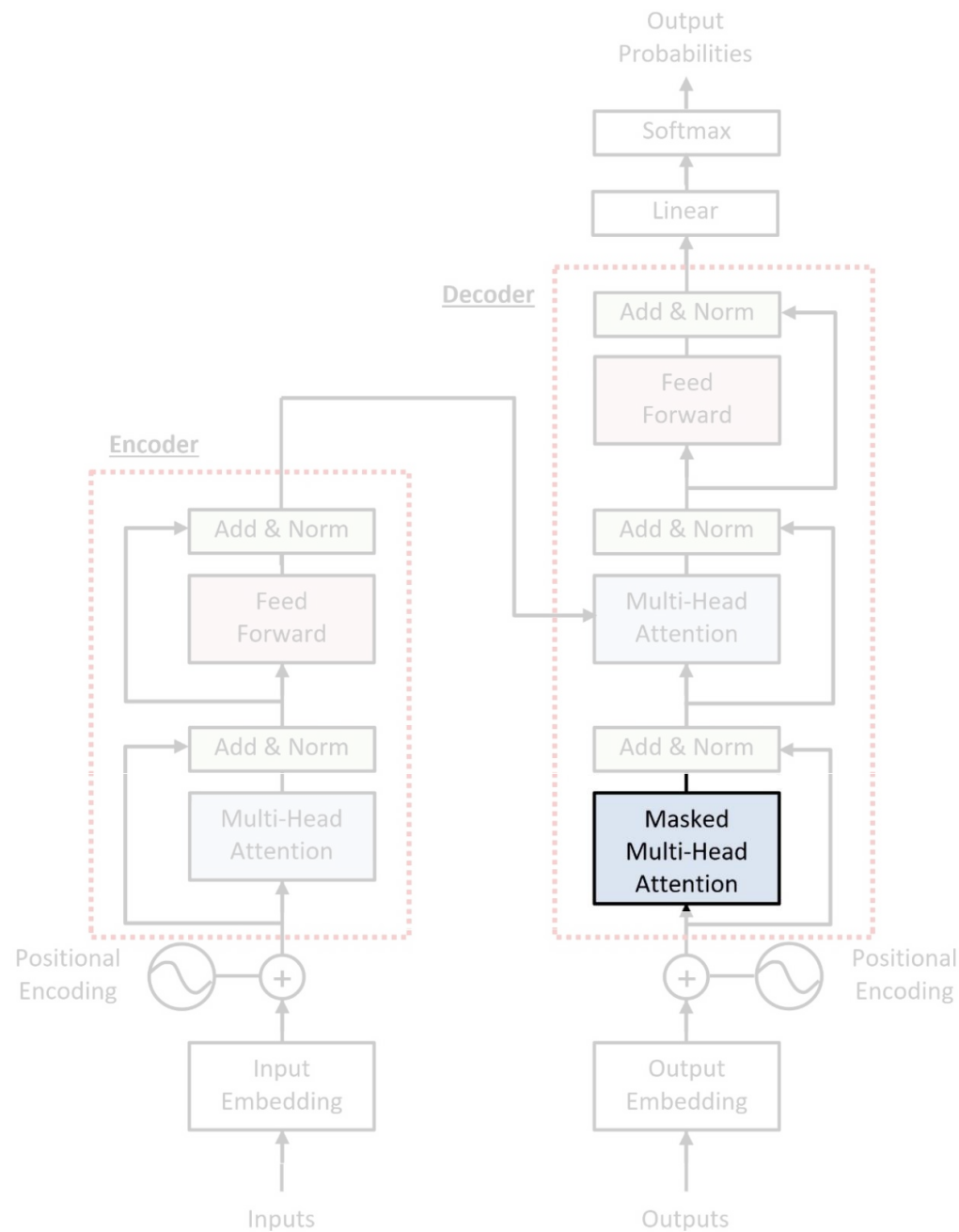


Problem

Capture more linguistic patterns, and provide richer representations

Solution

Use a fully connected **feed forward network** to process the attention output further



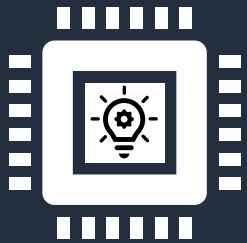
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During the training phase, we do not want the decoder's attention mechanism to access tokens (words) that are not yet predicted

Solution

To prevent computing attention scores for future words use **masking**

Let's practice!



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Section 4: Measuring summarization performance

The ROUGE score



- The ***Recall-Oriented Understudy for Gisting Evaluation*** (ROUGE) score assesses the performance of text summarization systems
- It works by comparing an automatically produced summary against a human reference summary using ***n-grams***
- In that sense, it is symmetrical to the ***BLEU score***
- Additionally, ROUGE is a set of metrics rather than a single one
- They all assign a numerical score to a summary that tells us how good it is compared to a reference
- ***ROUGE-N*** measures the overlap of unigrams, bigrams, trigrams, and higher-order n-grams, where ***N*** represents the n-gram order
 - Thus, for ***ROUGE-1***, we would measure the match rate of unigrams

The ROUGE score



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- The calculations for **ROUGE-2** are based on recall, precision, and F-score

$$ROUGE2_{precision} = \frac{\#common_bigrams}{\#bigrams_prediction} = \frac{4}{7} = 57\%$$

$$ROUGE2_{recall} = \frac{\#common_bigrams}{\#bigrams_reference} = \frac{4}{8} = 0.5\%$$

$$F-score = 2 * \frac{ROUGE2_{precision} * ROUGE2_{recall}}{ROUGE2_{precision} + ROUGE2_{recall}} = 2 * \frac{0.57 * 0.5}{0.57 + 0.5} = 0.53\%$$

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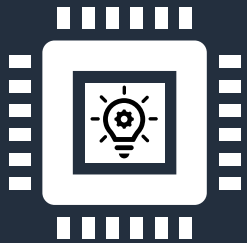
- **ROUGE-L** measures the **longest common subsequence** (LCS) between our prediction and reference
 - A subsequence appears in the same relative order (not necessarily contiguous)

$$ROUGE_{L_{precision}} = \frac{LCS_length}{\#words_prediction} = \frac{6}{8} = 75\%$$

$$ROUGE_{L_{recall}} = \frac{LCS_length}{\#words_reference} = \frac{6}{9} = 67\%$$

$$F-score = 2 * \frac{ROUGE_{L_{precision}} * ROUGE_{L_{recall}}}{ROUGE_{L_{precision}} + ROUGE_{L_{recall}}} = 2 * \frac{0.75 * 0.67}{0.75 + 0.67} = 71\%$$

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Tasks

- Web scraping
- Extractive summarization
- Abstractive summarization
- Performance



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Key takeaways



Visualizations

- Knowledge graphs

ML concepts

- Attention

ML algorithms & models

- Transformers

Performance metrics

- ROUGE score

Tools

- Web crawling and scraping

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Questions?