NLP Applications, Recursive Neural Network

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Sequence Labeling Problems

 State-of-the-art models are MaxEnt, CRFs, which use a sparse encoding of features.



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Expressions that indicate sentiment, emotion, etc. without explicitly conveying them

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Tags begin-of-entity (B_X), continuation of entity (I_X) or outside (O):

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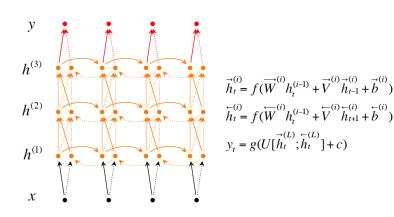
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Architecture: Deep Bidirectional RNN



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Soft Performance Metric

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Proportional Overlap: imparts a partial correctness, proportional to the overlapping amount, to each match.

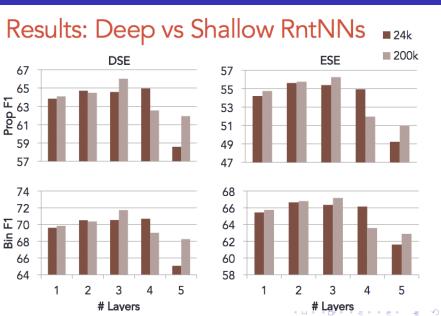
Network Training

- Objective function: standard multiclass cross-entropy
- Learning rate: fixed learning rate (0.005) and a fixed momentum rate (0.7)
- Weight update after minibatches of 80 sentences
- 200 epochs for training
- Select the best model on the development set
- For various models, number of parameters were kept the same.

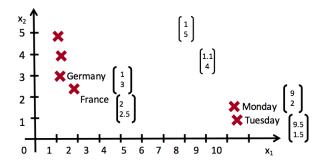
Results: Bidirectional vs. Unidirectional

- Same number of total parameters for each model
- Bidirectional RNN outperforms a unidirectional RNN for both DSE and ESE

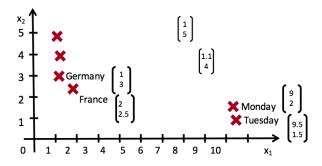
Results: Effect of layers



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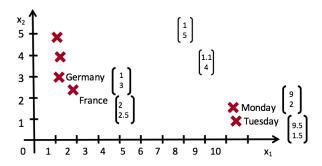
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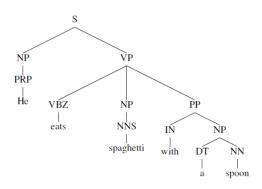
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Basic Idea: Recursive Structure in Language

- Recursion helpful in describing language parse tree.
- Example: "the church which has nice windows", a noun phrase containing a relative clause that contains a noun phrases



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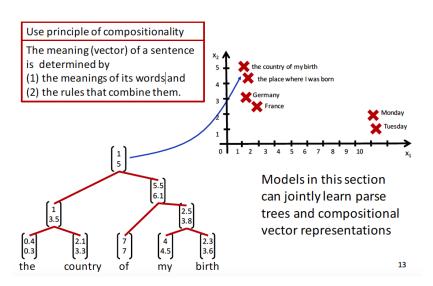
- Identify the underlying grammatical structure
- E.g., which part of the sentence depends on which part, what words are modifying what other words, which words act as a single unit etc.
- Usually represented as a parse tree

Is grammatical understanding required for semantics?

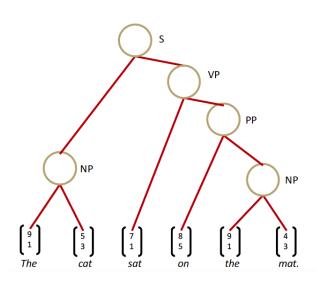
Semantic composition

- First, we need to understand words
- Then, we need to know the way they are put together
- Finally, we can get a meaning of the phrase by leveraging on these two.

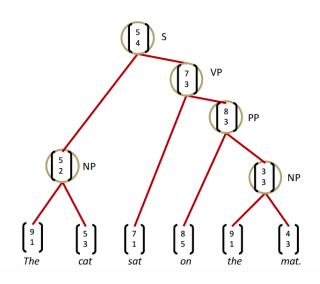
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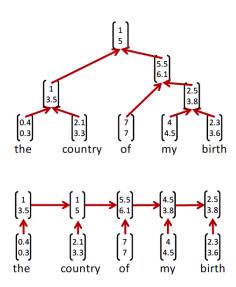
Sentence Parsing: What we want



Learn Structure and Representation



Recursive vs. Recurrent Neural Networks



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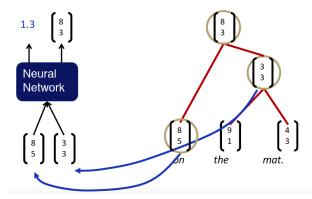
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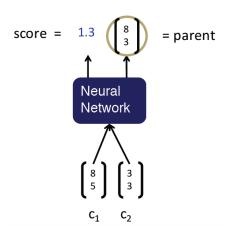
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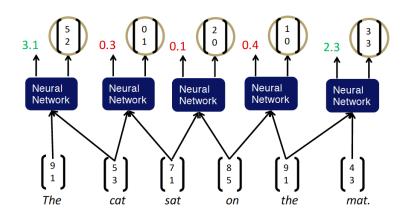
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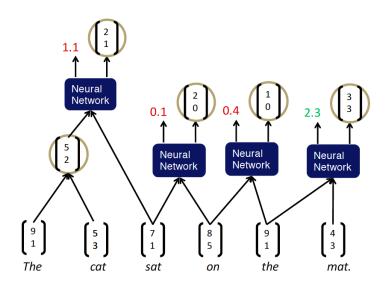


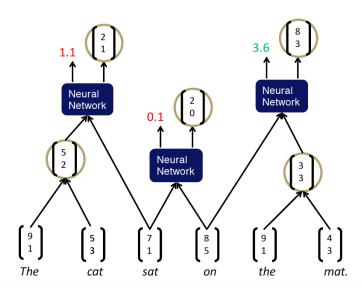
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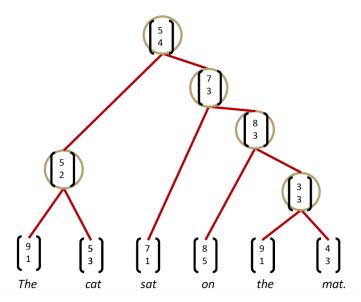
$$p = \tanh \left(W \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{pmatrix} + b\right),$$

Same *W* parameters at all nodes of the tree



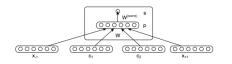






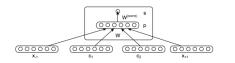
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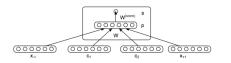
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- Remove the scoring layer and use a Softmax layer instead.

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Think of the loss function for the new settings

- We have a gold standard parse tree
- The Recursive network can result in either this or any other parse tree
- Some parse trees might be more close than others.

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- y_i is the ground truth parse tree
- The loss $\Delta(y, y_i)$ penalizes all incorrect decisions.
- Structure search for A(x) was maximally greedy instead, beam search can be used with charting.

Loss: $\Delta(y, y_i)$

- This loss function is a penalization of incorrect spans and adds a penalization λ to each incorrect decision.
- Span: a pair of indices which indicate the left and right most leaf nodes under a node in the tree.
- Let T(yi) denote the set of spans coming from all non-terminal nodes of the tree.

$$\Delta(y, y_i) = \sum_{d \in T(y)} \lambda 1\{d \notin T(y_i)\}\$$

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Additional difference

Split derivatives at each node

Some example similarities at phrase level

Center Phrase and Nearest Neighbors

- (A) Sales grew almost 2 % to 222.2 million from 222.2 million.
 - 1. Sales surged 22 % to 222.22 billion yen from 222.22 billion.
 - 2. Revenue fell 2 % to 2.22 billion from 2.22 billion.
 - 3. Sales rose more than 2 % to 22.2 million from 22.2 million.
 - 4. Volume was 222.2 million shares, more than triple recent levels.
- (B) I had calls all night long from the States, he said.
 - 1. Our intent is to promote the best alternative, he says.
 - 2. We have sufficient cash flow to handle that, he said.
 - 3. Currently, average pay for machinists is 22.22 an hour, Boeing said.
 - 4. Profit from trading for its own account dropped, the securities firm said.

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(D) Hess declined to comment.	(E) Columbia, S.C
 PaineWebber declined to comment. 	 Greenville, Miss
2. Phoenix declined to comment.	2. UNK, Md
3. Campeau declined to comment.	3. UNK, Miss
Coastal would n't disclose the terms.	4. UNK, Calif
(F) Fujisawa gained 22 to 2,222	(G) We were lucky
1. Mochida advanced 22 to 2,222.	 It was chaotic
2. Commerzbank gained 2 to 222.2.	2. We were wrong
3. Paris loved her at first sight.	People had died
4. Profits improved across Hess 's businesses.	They still are

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- Condition the composition function on the syntactic categories
- Allow for different composition functions for pairs of syntactic categories,
 e.g., Adv + Adj, VP + NP

Syntactically Untied - RNN

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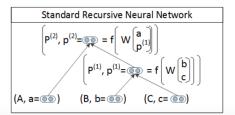
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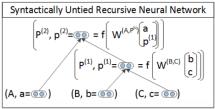
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