Keras

Keras: an API for specifying & training differentiable programs

Tensorflow/CNTK/MXNet/Theano

- 1. A focus on user experience
- 2. Large adoption in the industry and research community
- 3. Multi-backend, multi-platform
- 4. Easy production of models

The Keras user experience

- Keras is an API designed for human beings, not machines. Keras follows best practices for reducing cognitive load: it offers consistent & simple APIs, it minimizes the number of user actions required for common use cases, and it provides clear and actionable feedback upon user error.
- This makes Keras easy to learn and easy to use. As a Keras user, you are more productive, allowing you to try more ideas than your competition, faster -- which in turn helps you win machine learning competitions.
- 3. This ease of use does not come at the cost of reduced flexibility: because Keras integrates with lower-level deep learning languages (in particular TensorFlow), it enables you to implement anything you could have built in the base language. In particular, as tf.keras, the Keras API integrates seamlessly with your TensorFlow workflows.

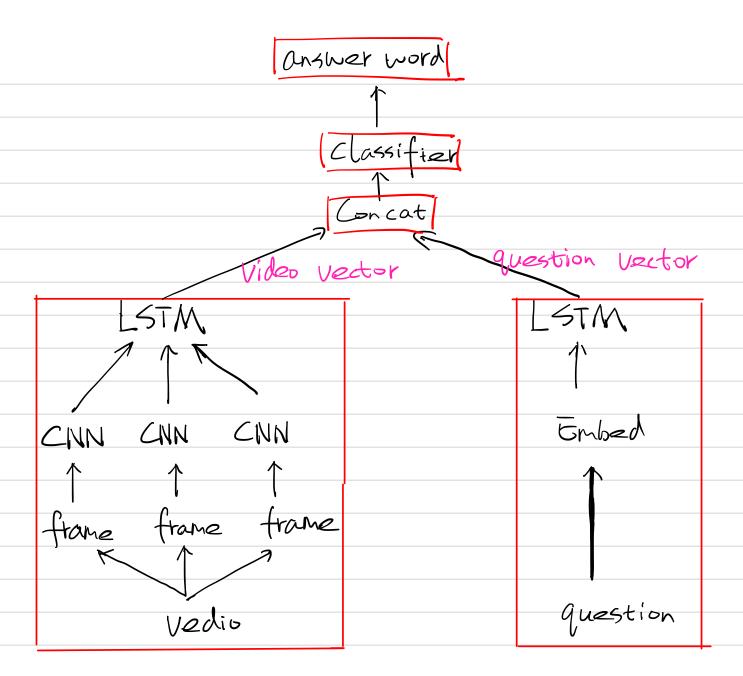


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Largest array of options for productizing

models

Three API styles:	
The Sequential Model	
1. Dead simple	
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sequential layer stacks	
3. Good for 70+% of use cases	
The function API	
1. Like playing with Lego bricks	
2. Multi-input, multi-output, arbitrary signaph topologies	cct
3. Good for 95% of use cases	
Model subclassing	
1. Maximum flexibility 2. Larger potential error surface	



Distributed, multi-GPU & TPU training
Understanding deferred (symbolic)
VS eager (imperative)