

Tutorial

How Encoder Decoder Work Stacked LSTM

Course:

Natural Language Processing

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Great! Let's walk through **how the sentence "How are you?" is passed through the model during training**, using:

- 2 LSTM layers in the Encoder
- 3 LSTM layers in the Decoder

Step-by-Step Training: "How are you?" → "آپ کیسے ہیں؟"

◆ 1. Preprocessing

Input Sentence:

- "How are you?" → ["How", "are", "you", "<eos>"]

Target Sentence:

- "آپ کیسے ہیں؟" → [<start> آپ کیسے ہیں؟]

2. Encoder Forward Pass (2 LSTM layers)

At each time step **t = 1 to 4**:

t = 1:

- Word: "How"
- Embedding → LSTM Layer 1 → hidden state h_1^1
- h_1^1 → LSTM Layer 2 → hidden state h_2^1

t = 2:

- Word: "are"
- Embedding → LSTM Layer 1 → h_1^2
- h_1^2 → LSTM Layer 2 → h_2^2

t = 3:

- Word: "you"
- Embedding → LSTM Layer 1 → h_1^3
- h_1^3 → LSTM Layer 2 → h_2^3

t = 4:

- Word: "<eos>"
- Embedding → LSTM Layer 1 → h_1^4
- h_1^4 → LSTM Layer 2 → h_2^4

Final encoder hidden and cell states from Layer 2 are passed to the decoder.

3. Decoder Forward Pass (3 LSTM layers)

At each time step $t = 1$ to 5:

$t = 1$:

- Input: <start>
- Embedding \rightarrow LSTM Layer 1 (initialized with encoder state) $\rightarrow h_1^1$
- $h_1^1 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 2 $\rightarrow h_2^1$
- $h_2^1 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 3 $\rightarrow h_3^1$
- Output: Predict "آپ"

$t = 2$:

- Input: "آپ"
- Embedding \rightarrow LSTM Layer 1 $\rightarrow h_1^2$
- $h_1^2 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 2 $\rightarrow h_2^2$
- $h_2^2 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 3 $\rightarrow h_3^2$
- Output: Predict "کیسے"

$t = 3$:

- Input: "کیسے"
- Embedding \rightarrow LSTM Layer 1 $\rightarrow h_1^3$
- $h_1^3 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 2 $\rightarrow h_2^3$
- $h_2^3 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 3 $\rightarrow h_3^3$
- Output: Predict "ہیں؟"

$t = 4$:

- Input: "ہیں؟"
- Embedding \rightarrow LSTM Layer 1 $\rightarrow h_1^4$
- $h_1^4 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 2 $\rightarrow h_2^4$
- $h_2^4 \rightarrow$ LSTM Layer 3 $\rightarrow h_3^4$
- Output: Predict <eos>

◆ 4. Loss Calculation

- Compare each predicted word to the actual target word.
 - Use **cross-entropy loss** at each time step.
 - Accumulate total loss.
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◆ 5. Backpropagation

- Loss is backpropagated:
 - Through decoder layers (3 LSTMs)
 - Into encoder layers (2 LSTMs)
- All weights are updated.