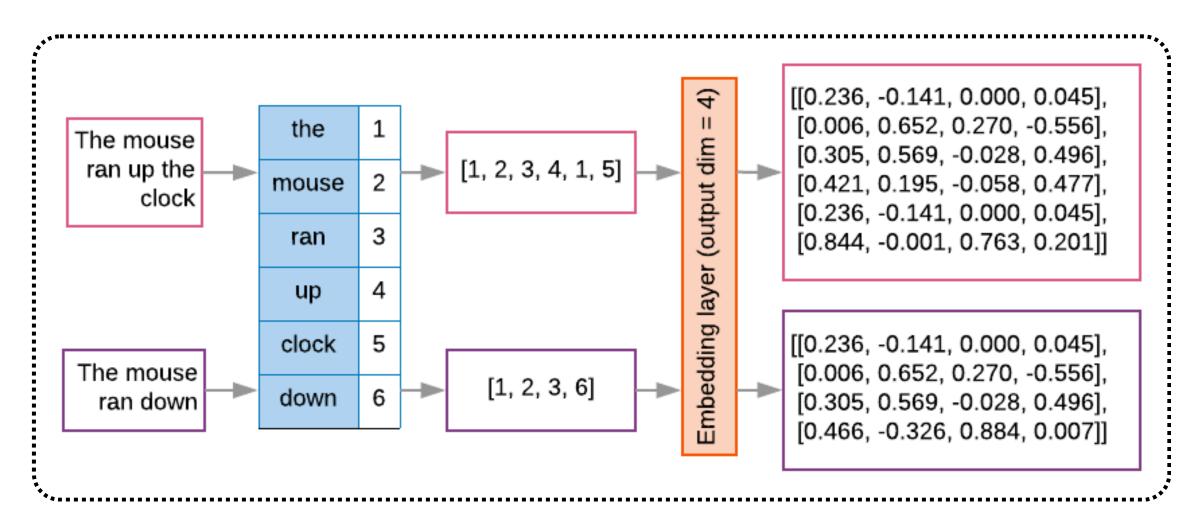
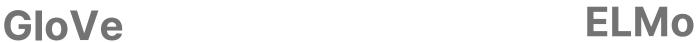
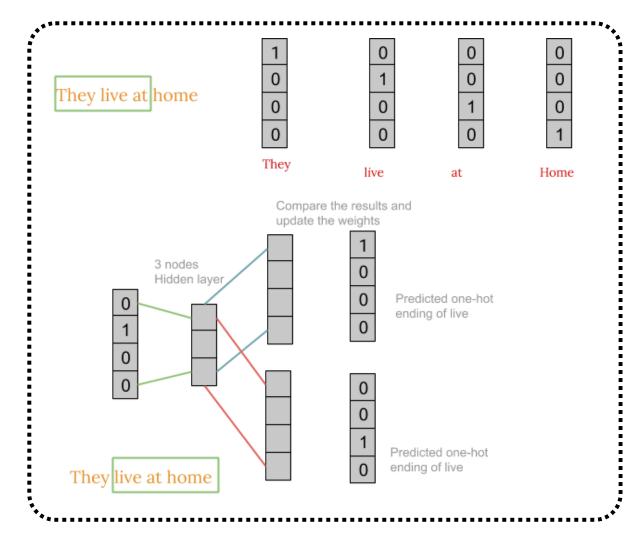


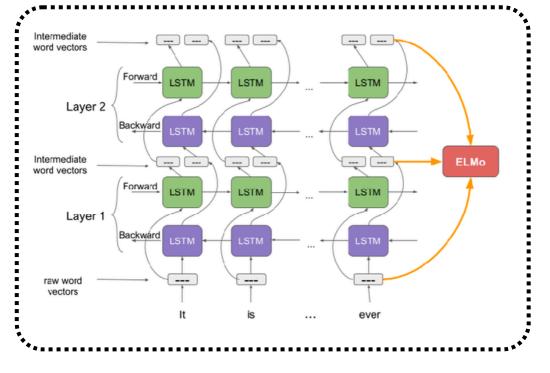
Embedding Era

Converting Text to Continuous Dense Vectors



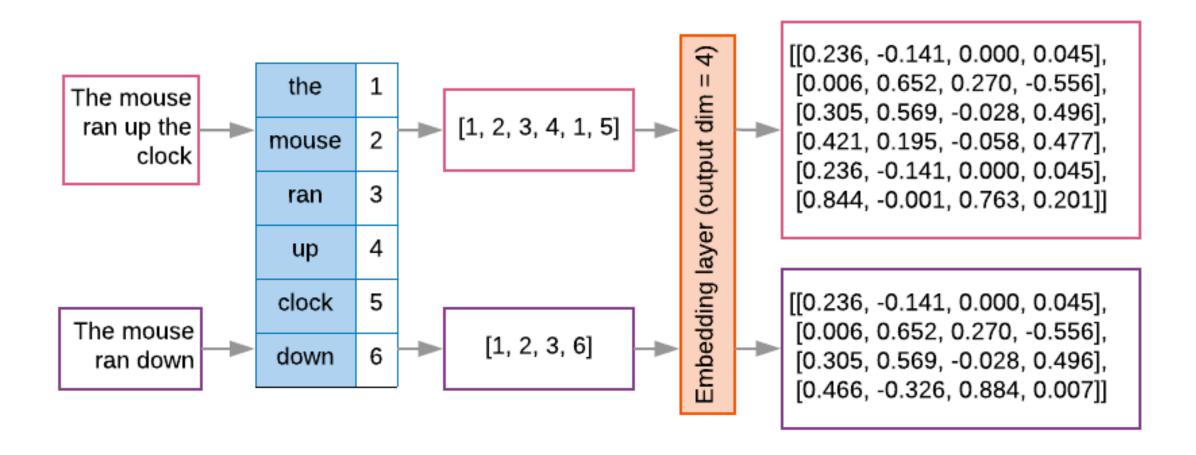








After the Machine Learning and Classical NLP era, researchers took different perspectives for **representing Text**



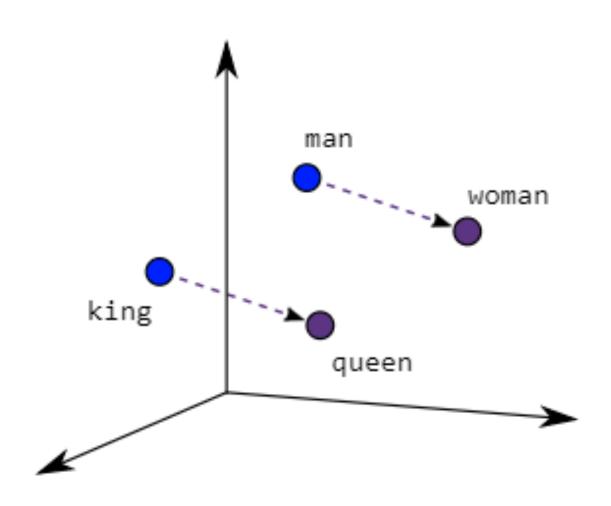
They represented text as a **continuous dense vector** with a lower dimensional
space as opposed to sparse high
dimensional vectors, because this allowed
models to better capture **semantic**relationships between words.



During the embedding era, some popular word embedding techniques came up:

Word2Vec

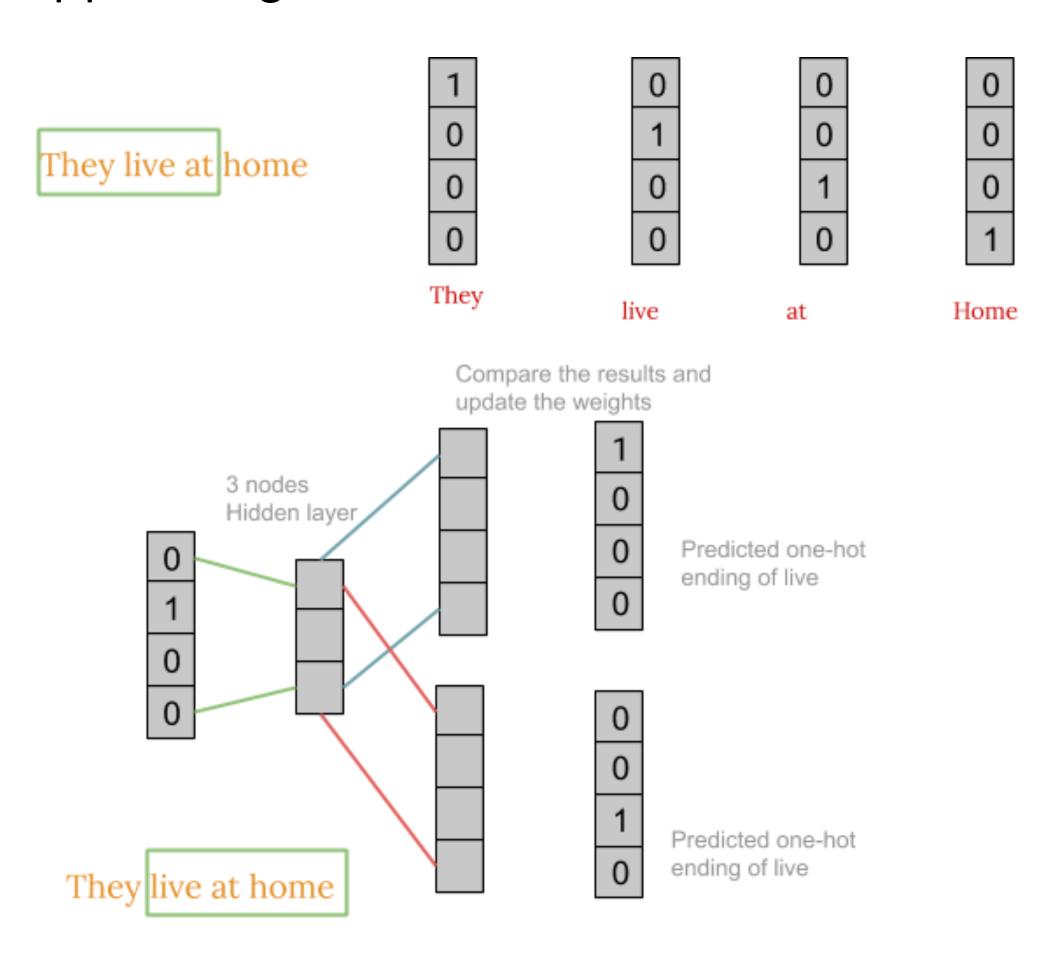
The smart folks at Google created this model which uses shallow neural networks to generate word embeddings, capturing semantic relationships and contextual similarities between words.



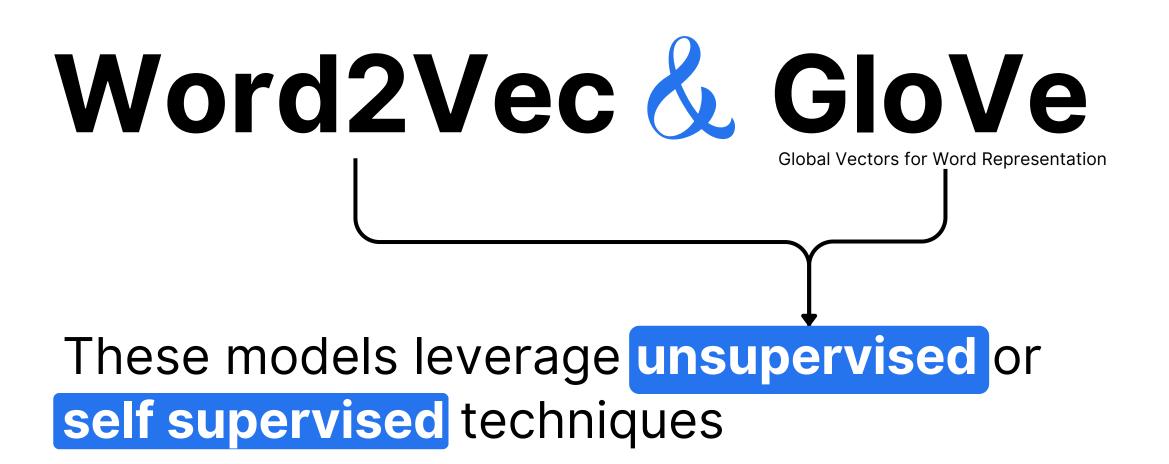


GloVe

Brains at **Stanford University**, developed GloVe, which looked at how often words appear together or their concurrence.





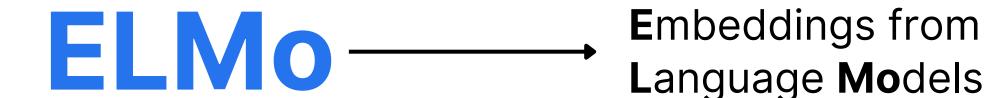


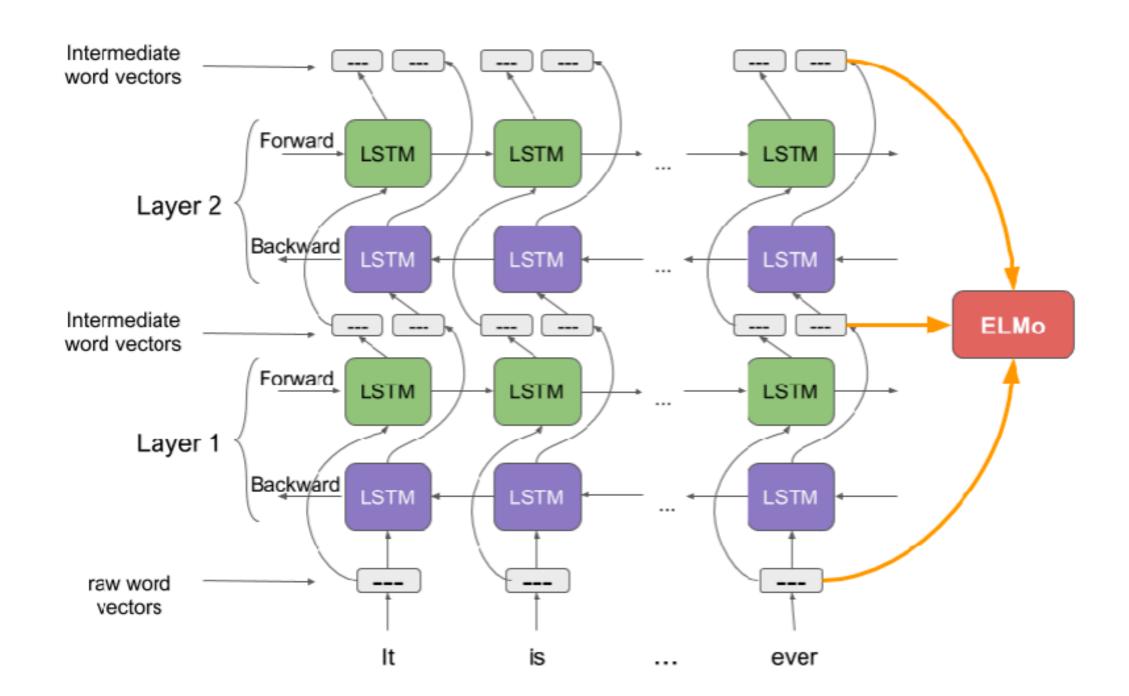
These models were a game changer in NLP around 2013-2014, because they made it easier for algorithms to understand language in a better way.



Making Word Embeddings Better

To make Word Embeddings even better, researchers came out with Contextualised Word Embeddings Techniques:







- **ELMo** generates contextual embeddings that **capture the meaning** of a word based on its **usage** in a specific sentence or context.
- ELMo embeddings are derived from a deep bidirectional language model (biLM), which captures information from both the left and right contexts of a word.
- ELMo generates embeddings for words that vary depending on the context in which they appear.
- For example, the word "bank" in the sentence "I deposited money in the bank" will have a different embedding than in "The river overflowed near the bank."



Limitation of Embedding Era

Static Embeddings

- Issue: Models like Word2Vec and GloVe generate a single, fixed vector for each word, regardless of its context in a sentence.
- Impact: Words with multiple meanings (polysemy) are poorly represented. For example, "bank" (a financial institution) and "bank" (a riverbank) have the same vector, causing ambiguity.



Linear Relationships Only

- Issue: Word embeddings rely on linear algebraic properties (e.g., king - man + woman≈queen).
- **Impact**: This oversimplifies complex word relationships, which are often nonlinear in nature.

The **Embedding Era** brought a lot of advancement in the NLP with powerful vector embedding representations but it was the emergence of the **Transformer models** that really took things to the next level.