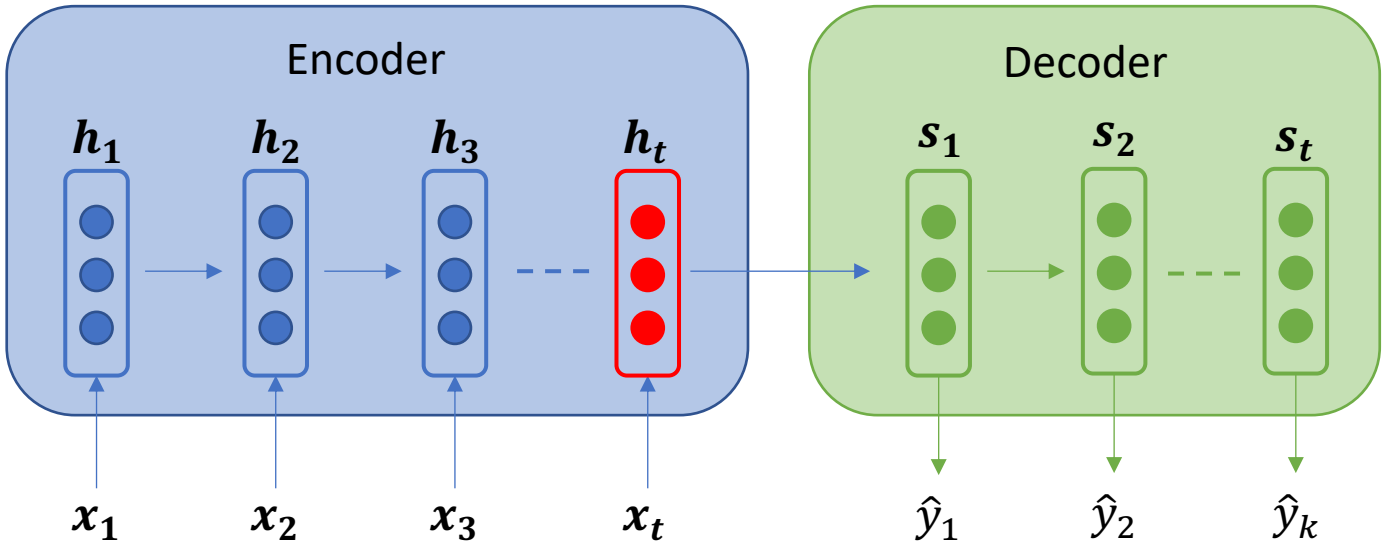
EE7207 Week 9

Attention Mechanisms and Transformers

Bottleneck of encoder-decoder network

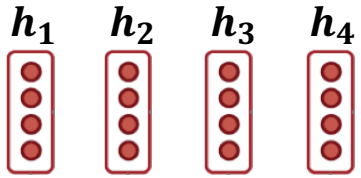
- Encoding of input sequence: a fixed length vector $\boldsymbol{h_t}$
- Need to capture all necessary information of input sequence
- Information bottleneck, especially when input sequence is long



Attention: thinking process

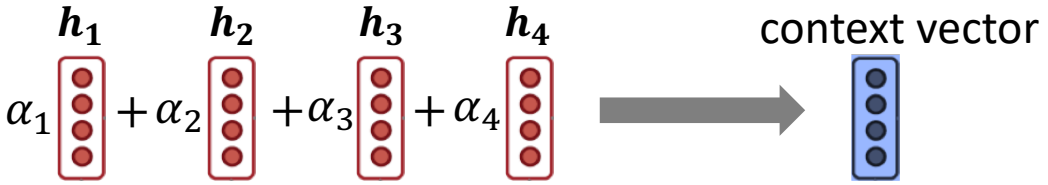
How to solve the bottleneck problem?

Instead of only using only $\boldsymbol{h_4}$, let's use all encoder hidden states!



How do we deal with variable length input sequence?

Let's do a weighted sum of all encoder hidden states!

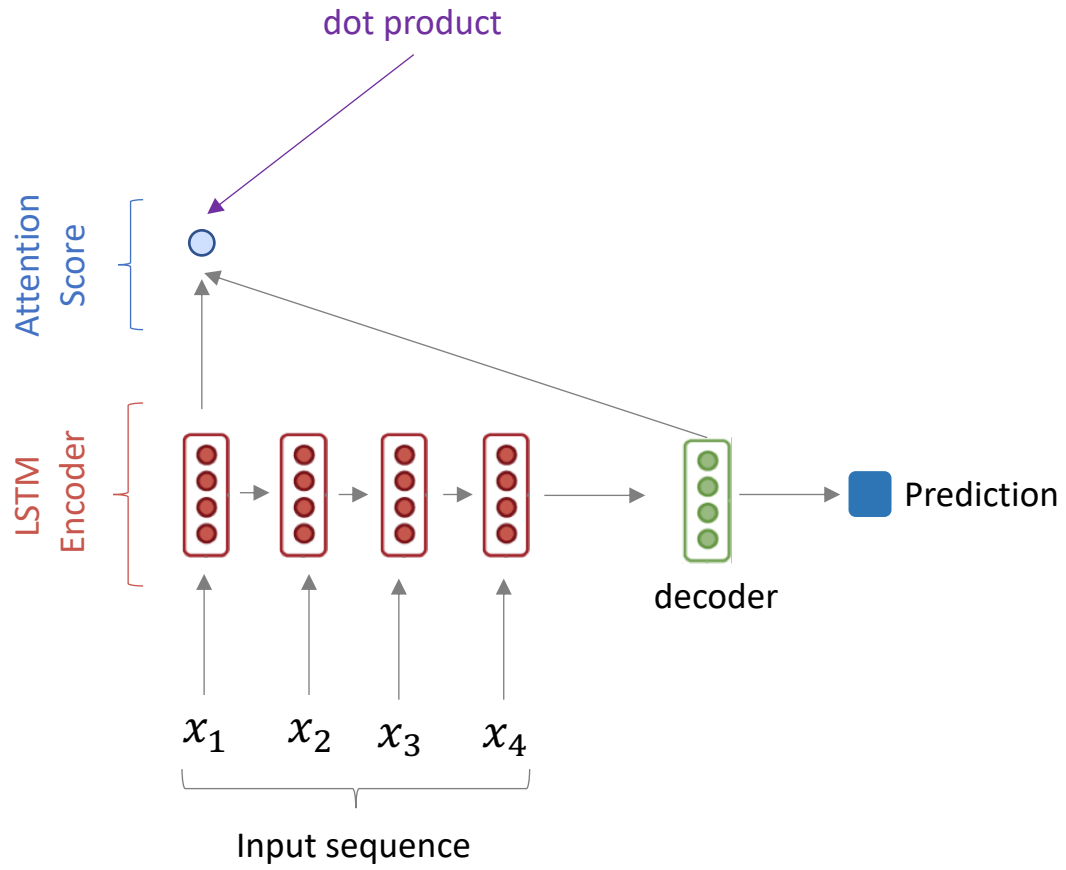


How do we get the weights α_i?

Step 1: dot product

Step 2: softmax $\alpha_i = \frac{\exp(score_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^{4} score_j}$

LSTM with attention



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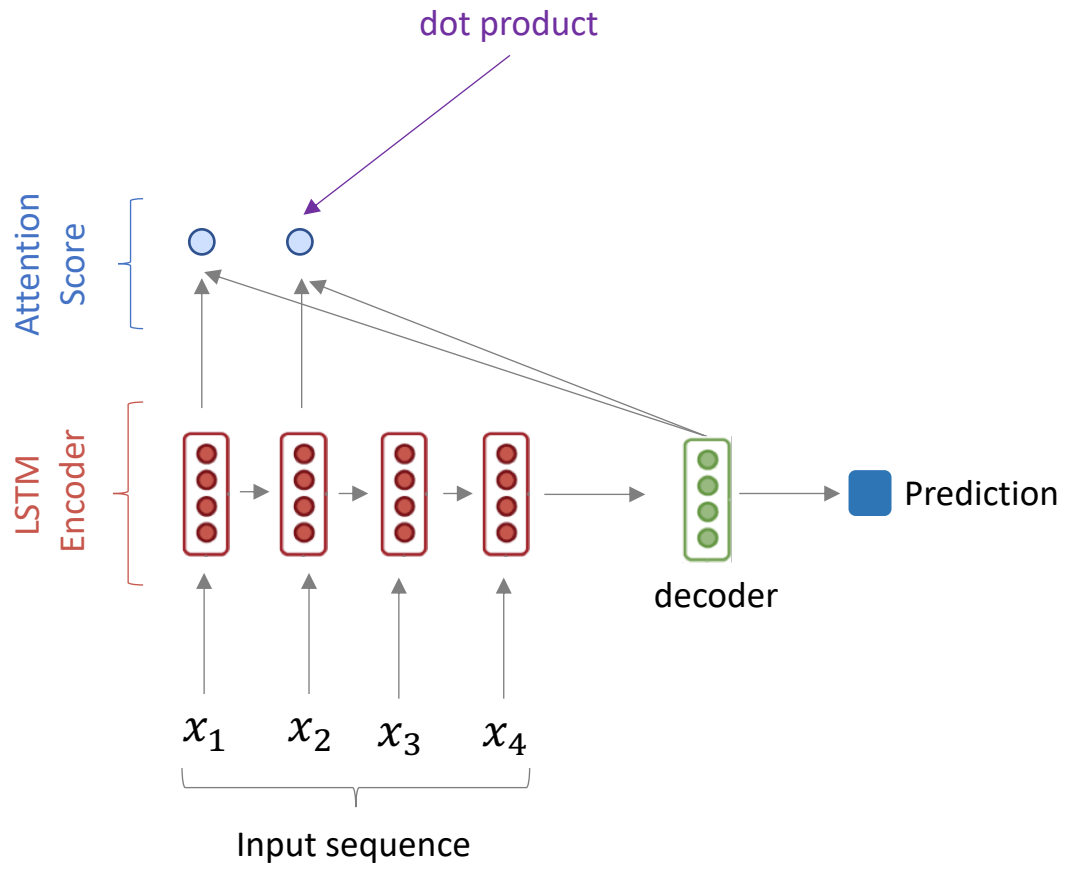

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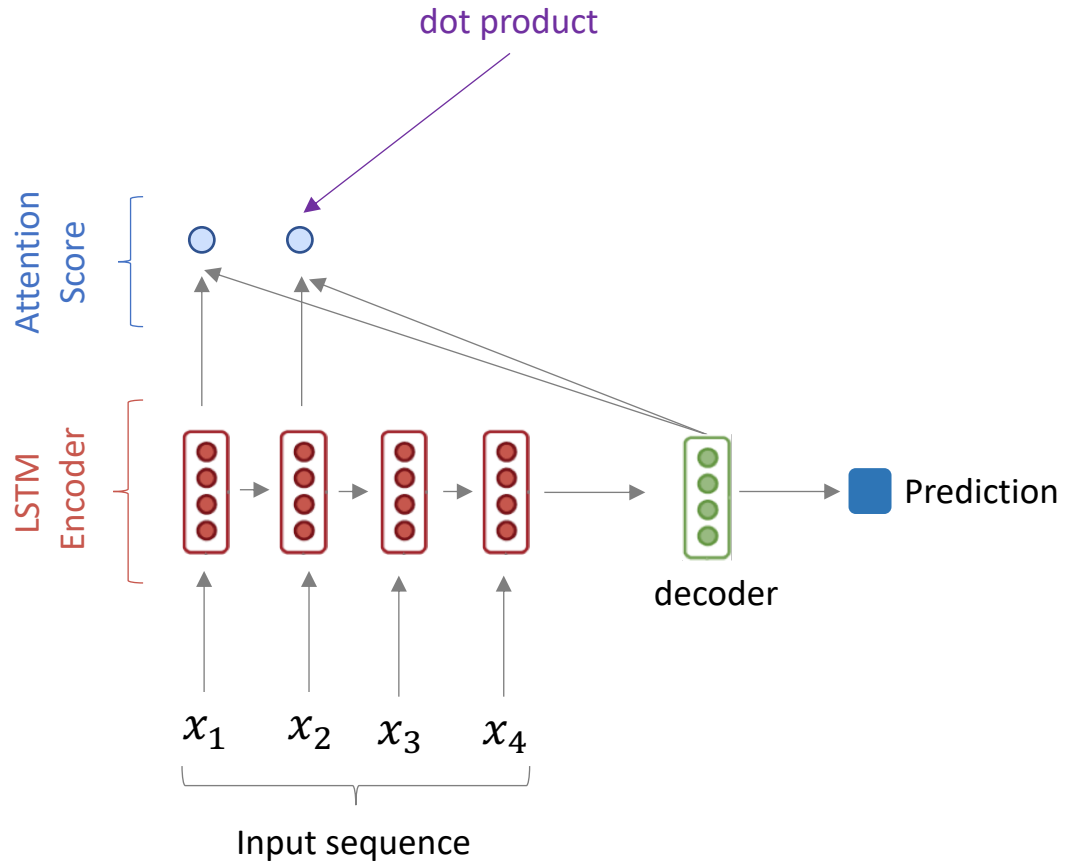

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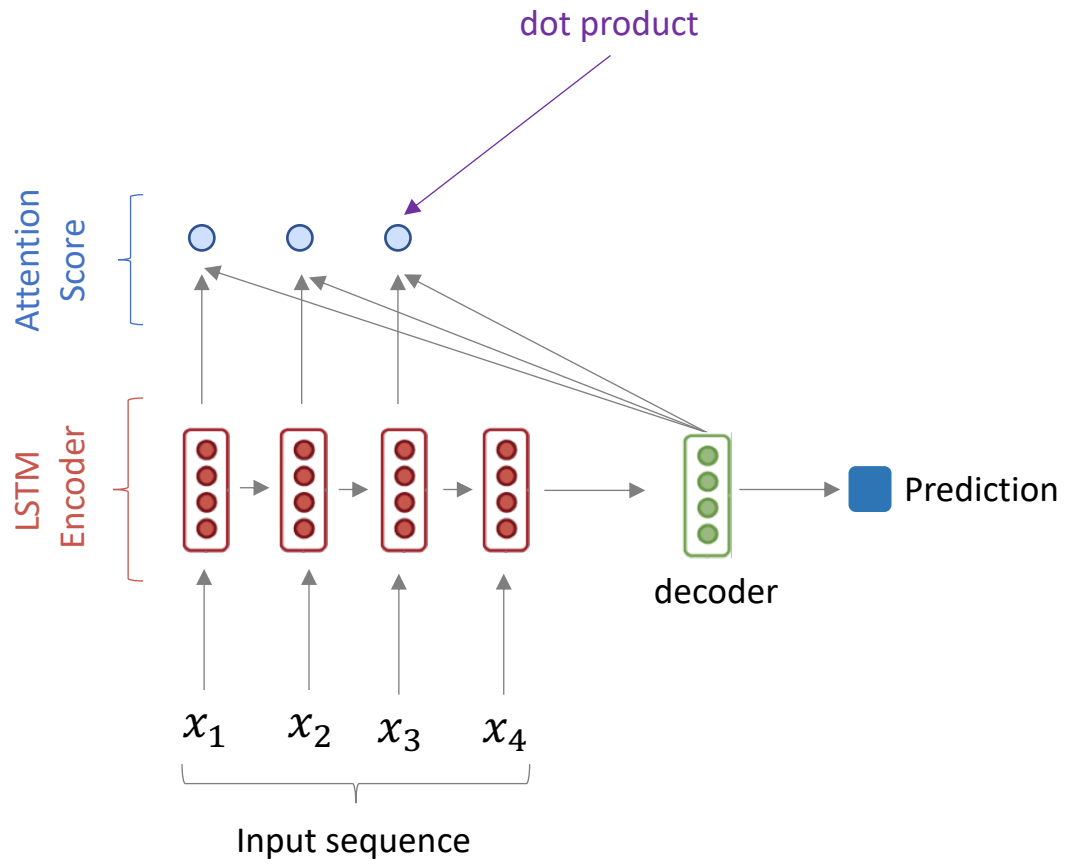

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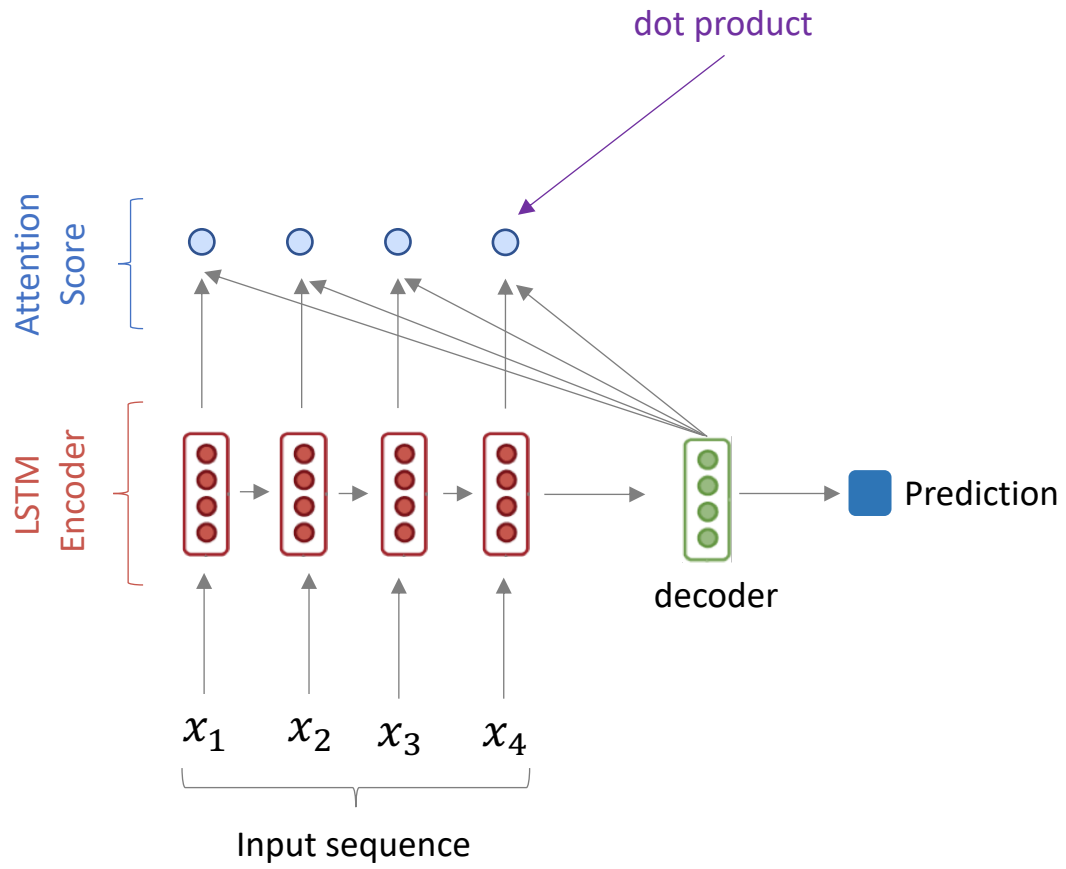

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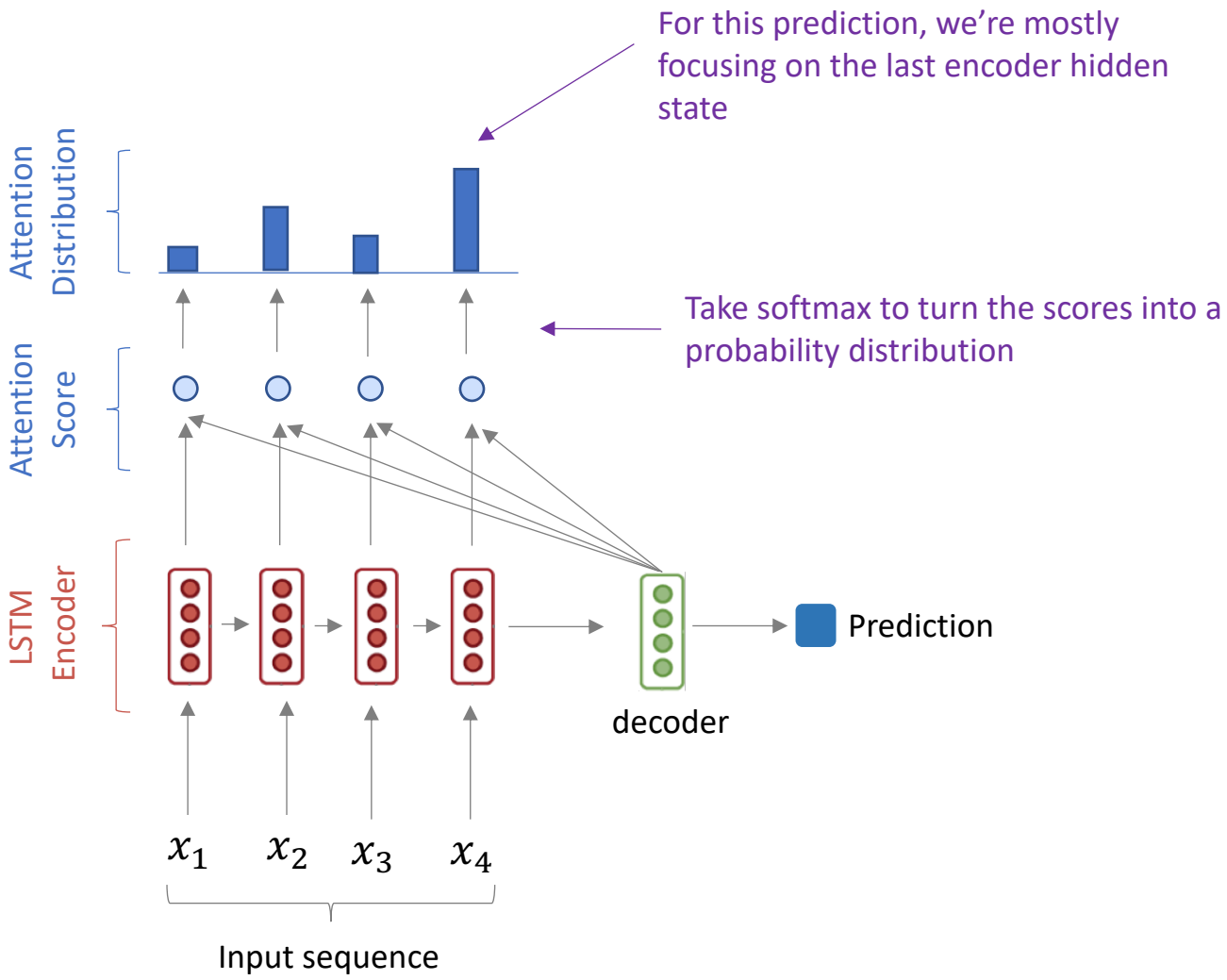

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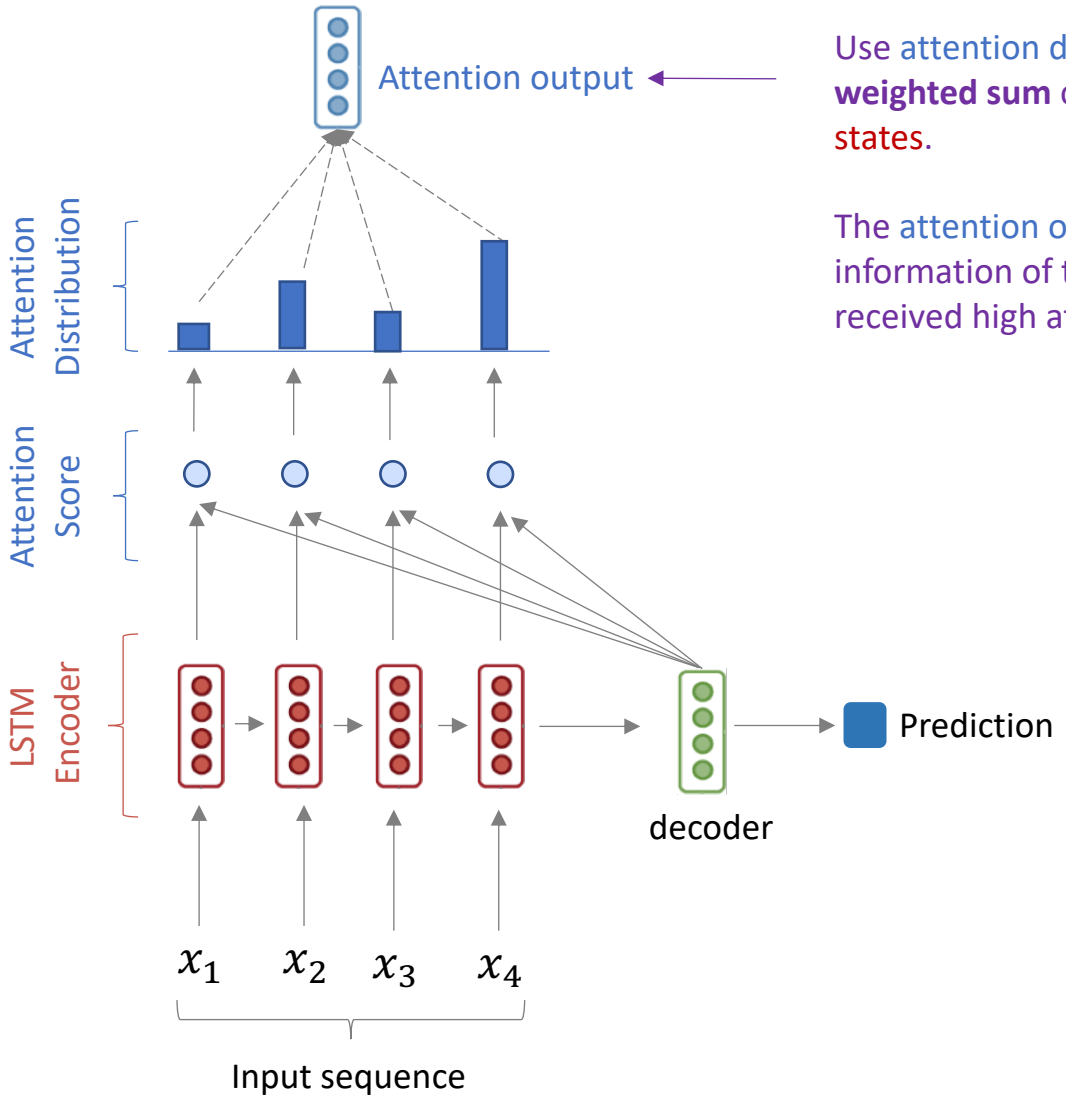


Use attention distribution to taka a **weighted sum** of the encoder hidden states.

The attention output mostly contains information of the hidden states that received high attention.

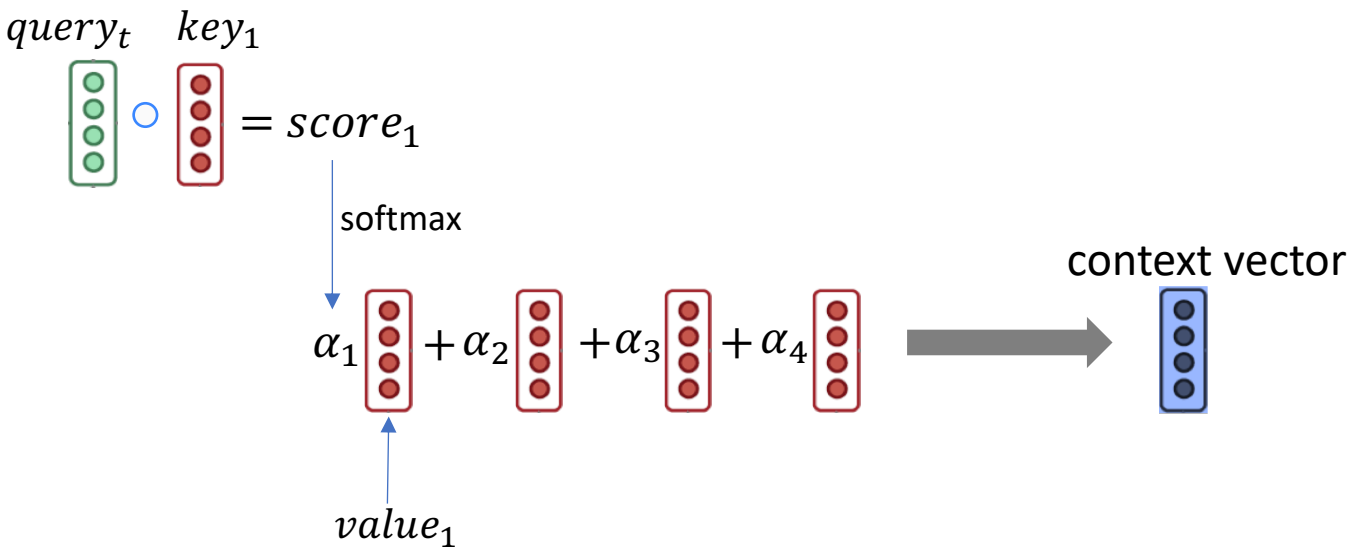
Another way to compute attention score: key-query-value attention

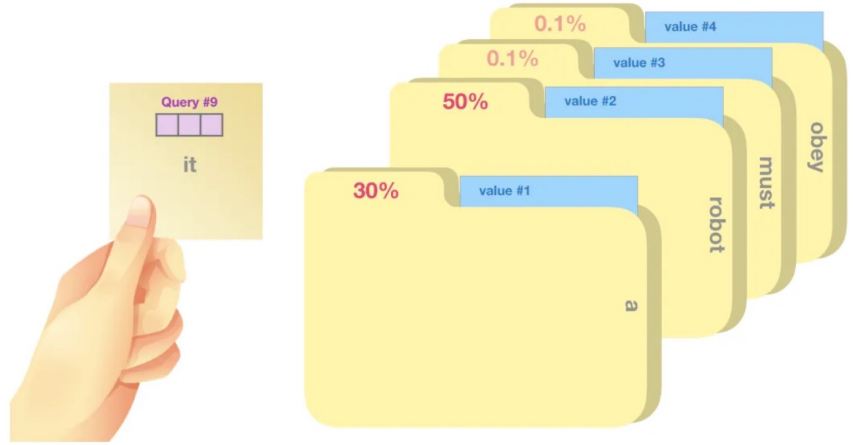
Inspired by information retrieval

Limitation of dot-product attention:

- What if the dimensions of decoder hidden states and encoder hidden states differ
- Question for later: Can dot-product attention support multi-head attentions?

Key-Query-Value attention:





Transformers

Attention Is All You Need

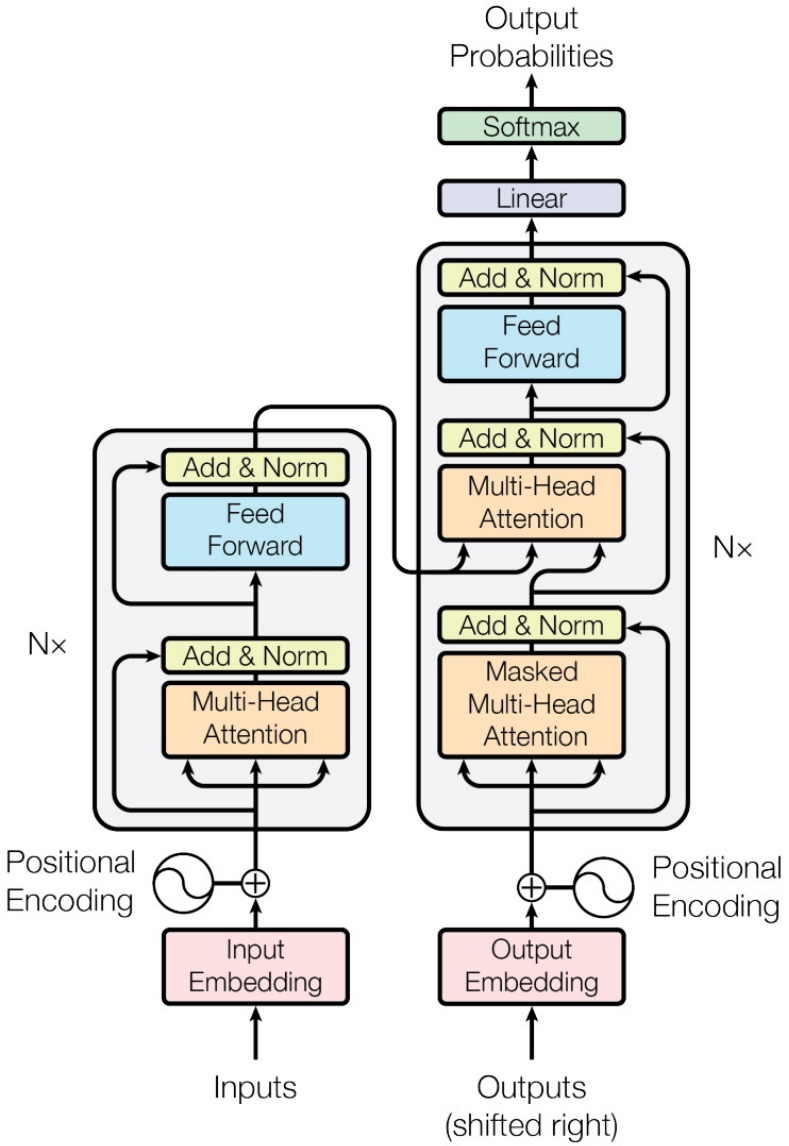


Figure 1: The Transformer - model architecture.

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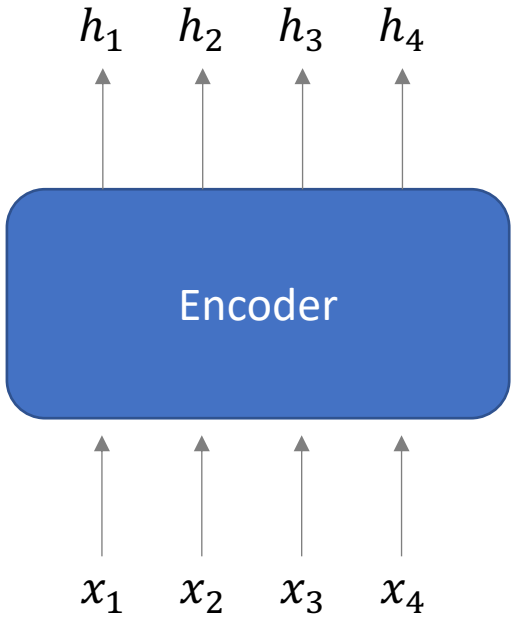
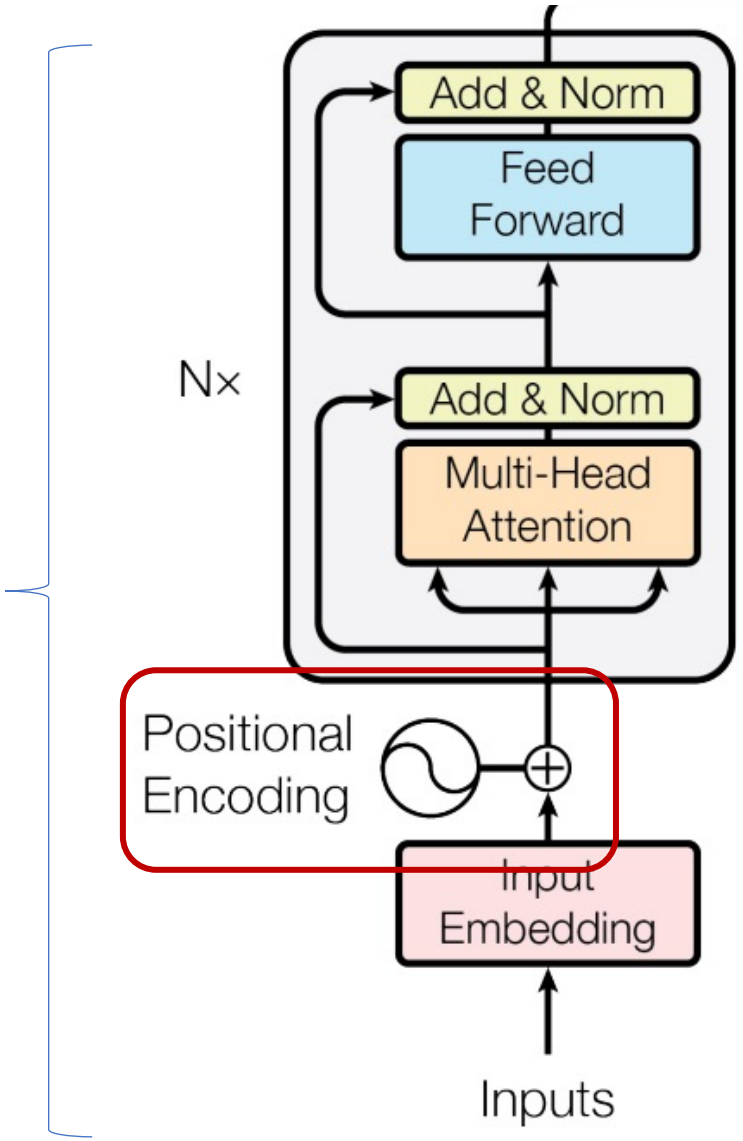
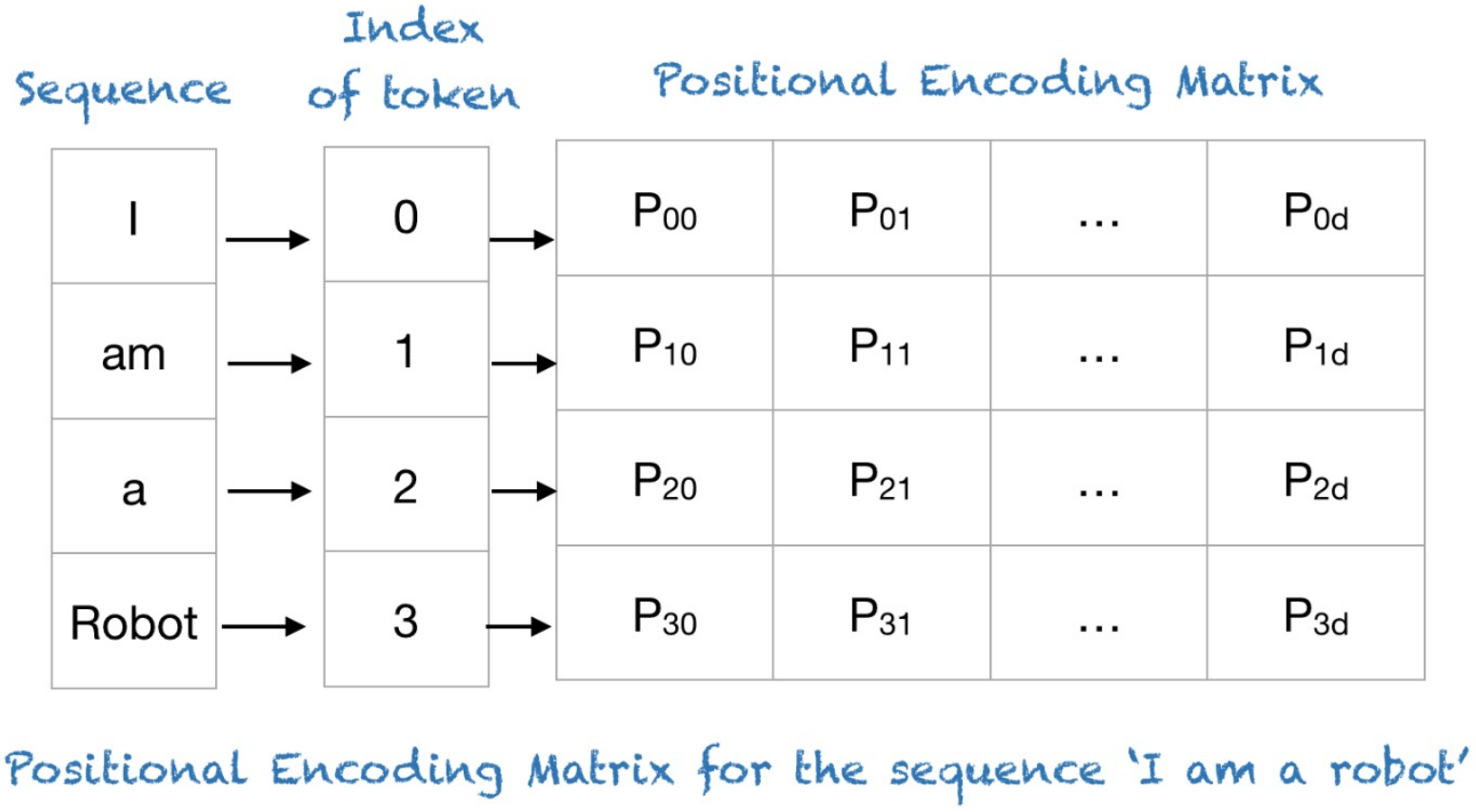
Encoder


h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4
Encoder
x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4


Nx
Add & Norm
Feed Forward
Add & Norm
Multi-Head Attention
Positional Encoding
Input Embedding
Inputs

Positional Encoding



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Positional Encoding

$$P(k, 2i) = \sin\left(\frac{k}{n^{2i/d}}\right)$$
$$P(k, 2i+1) = \cos\left(\frac{k}{n^{2i/d}}\right)$$

input sequence of length

Here:

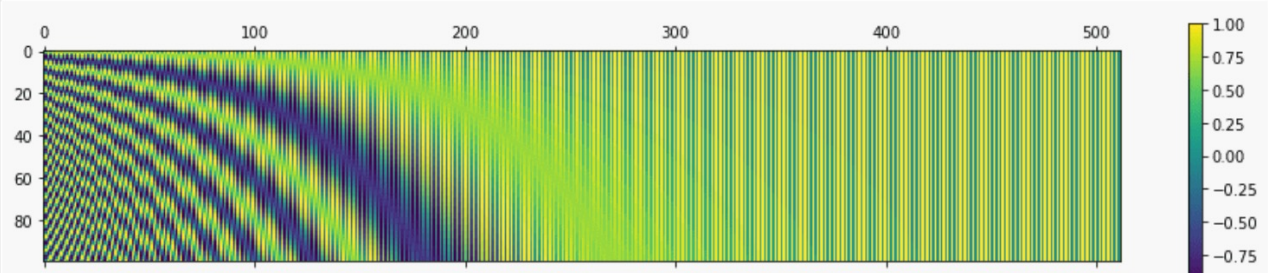
k: Position of an object in the input sequence, $0 \leq k < L/2$

d: Dimension of the output embedding space

$P(k, j)$: Position function for mapping a position k in the input sequence to index (k, j) of the positional matrix

n: User-defined scalar, set to 10,000 by the authors of Attention Is All You Need.

i: Used for mapping to column indices $0 \leq i < d/2$, with a single value of i maps to both sine and cosine functions



The positional encoding matrix for n=10,000, d=512, sequence length=100

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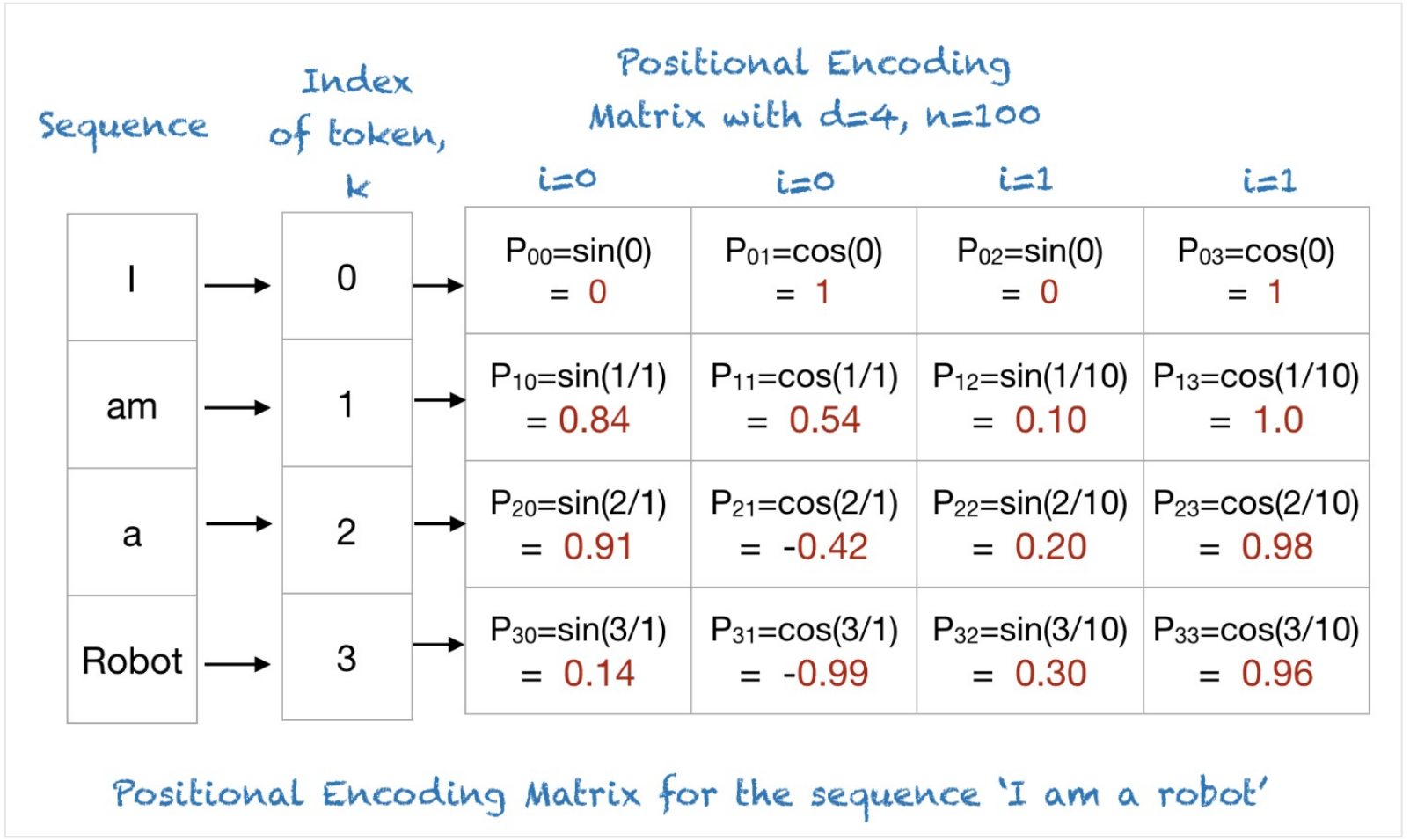

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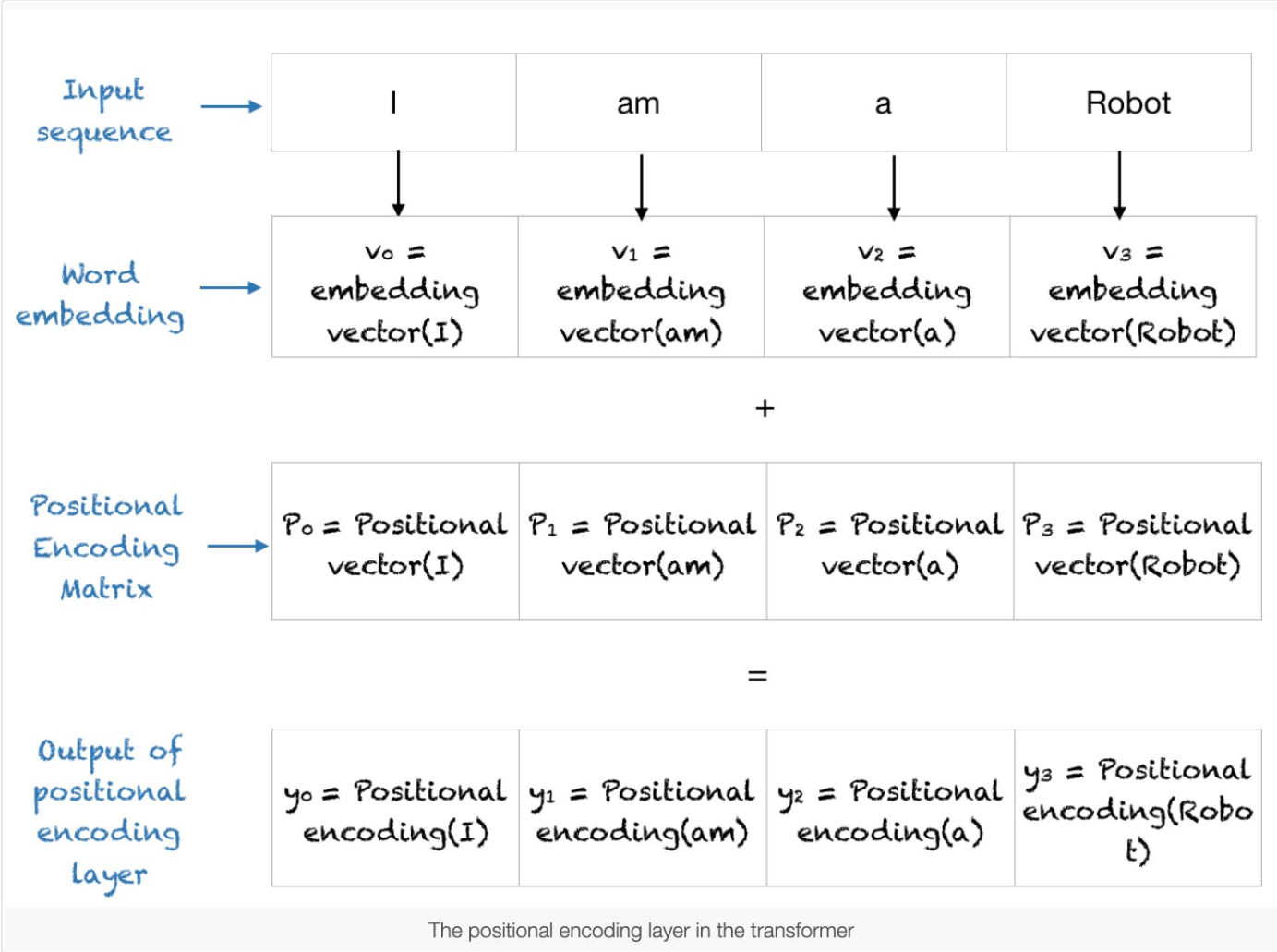

The positional encoding layer in the transformer

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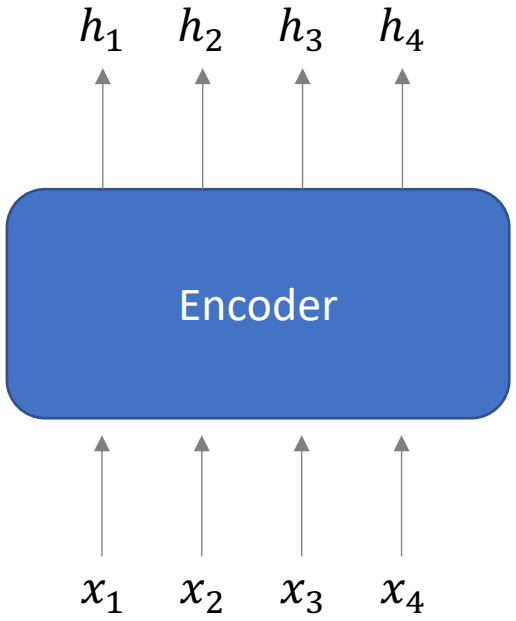
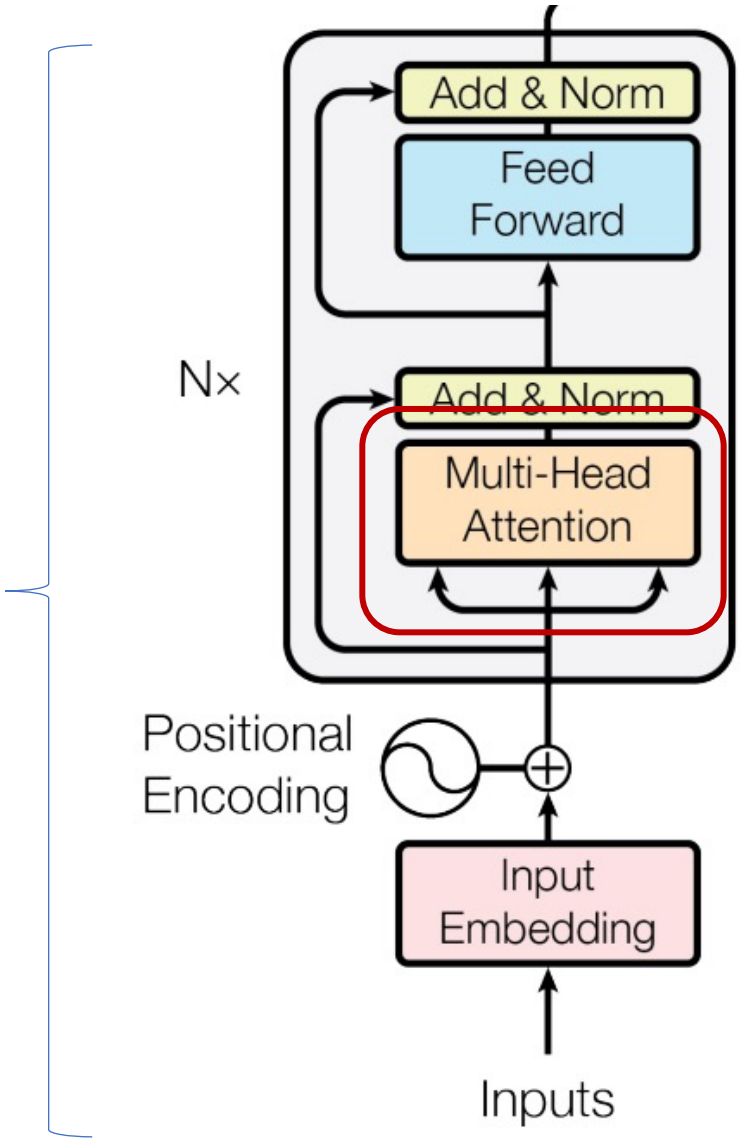
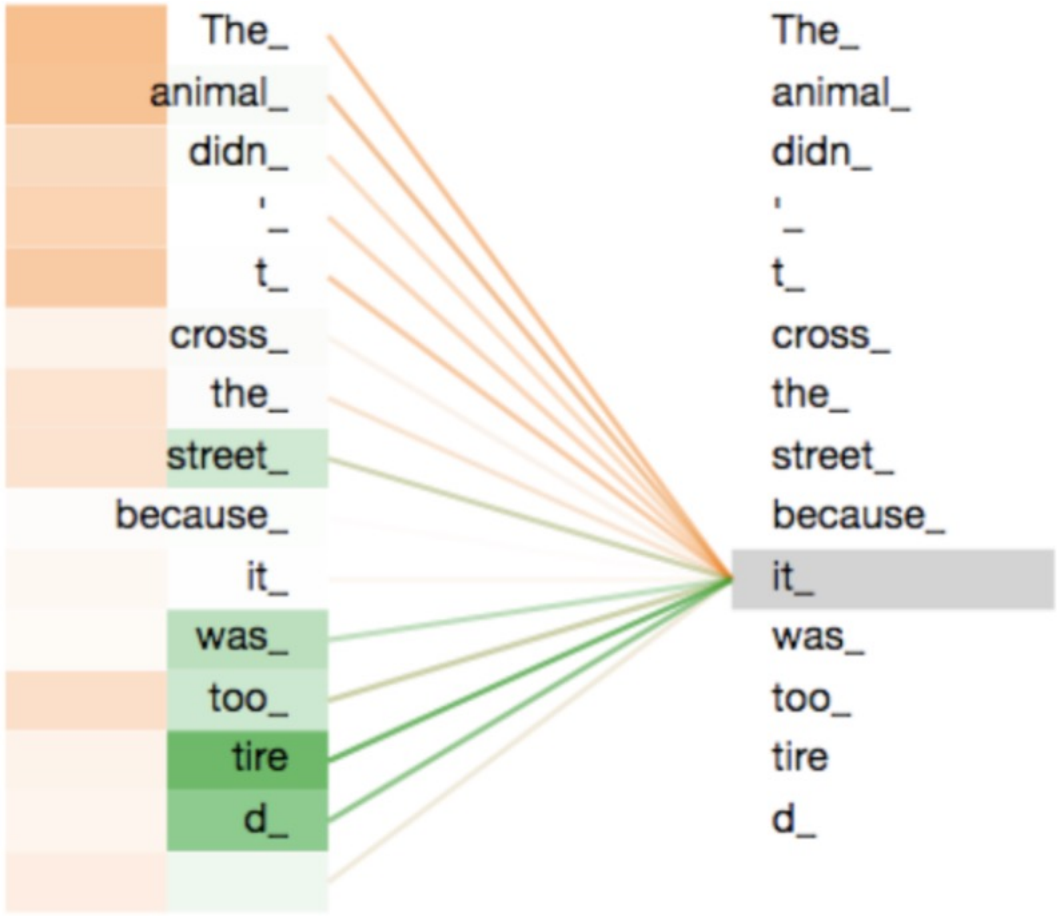
Encoder

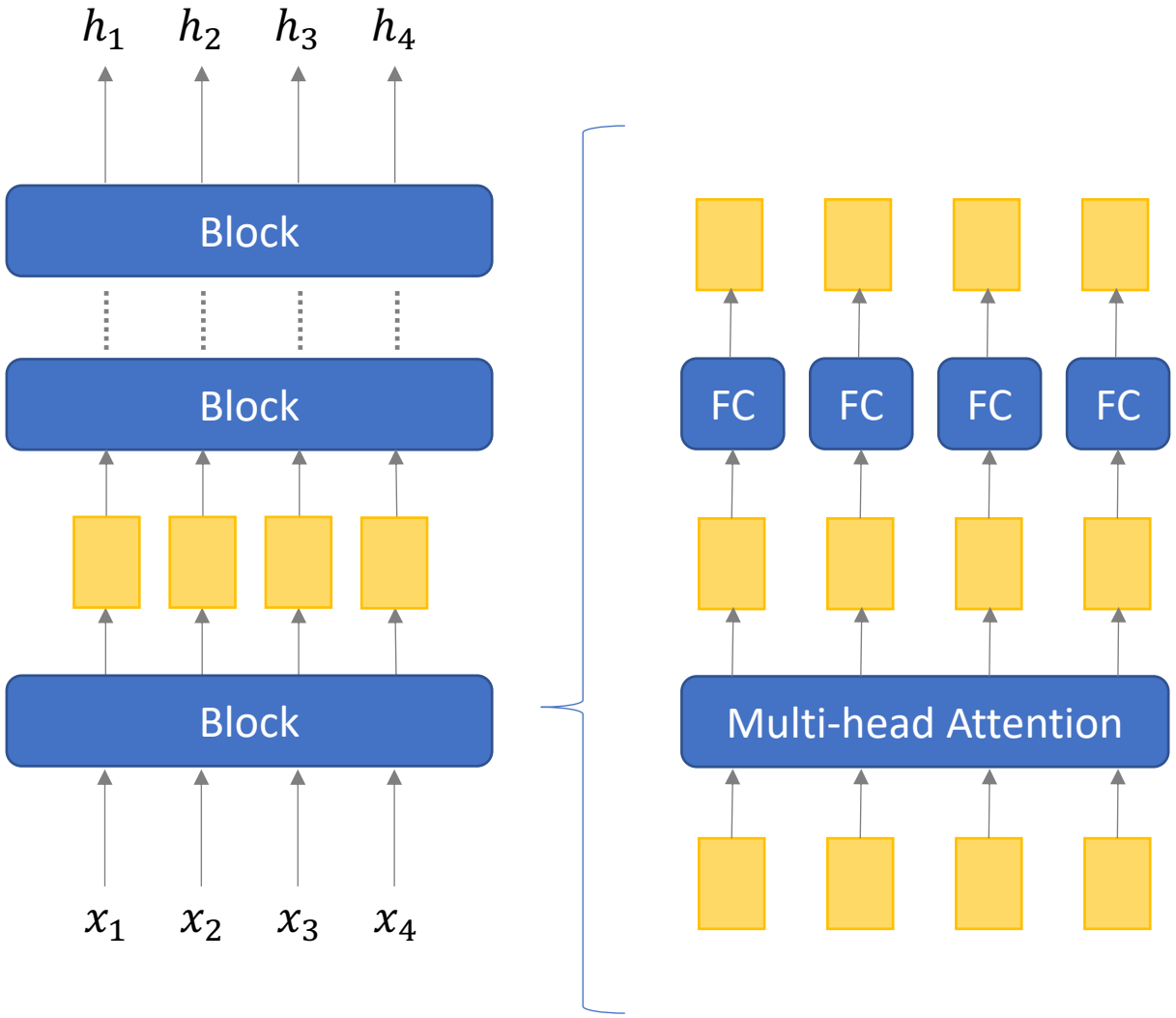

h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4
Encoder
x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4


Add & Norm
Feed Forward
Add & Norm
Multi-Head Attention
N×
Positional Encoding
Input Embedding
Inputs

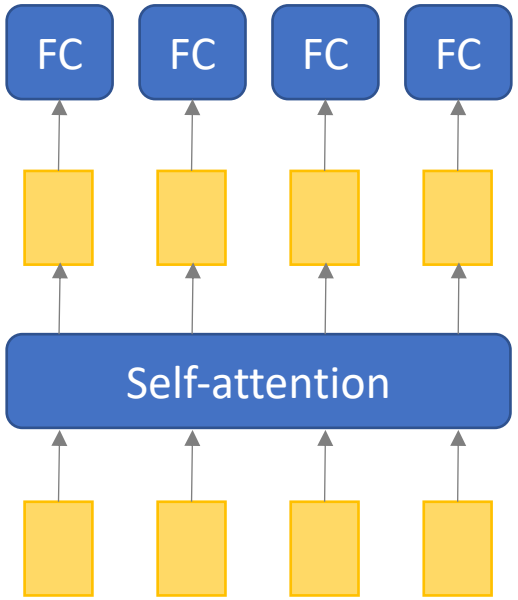
Multi-head attention

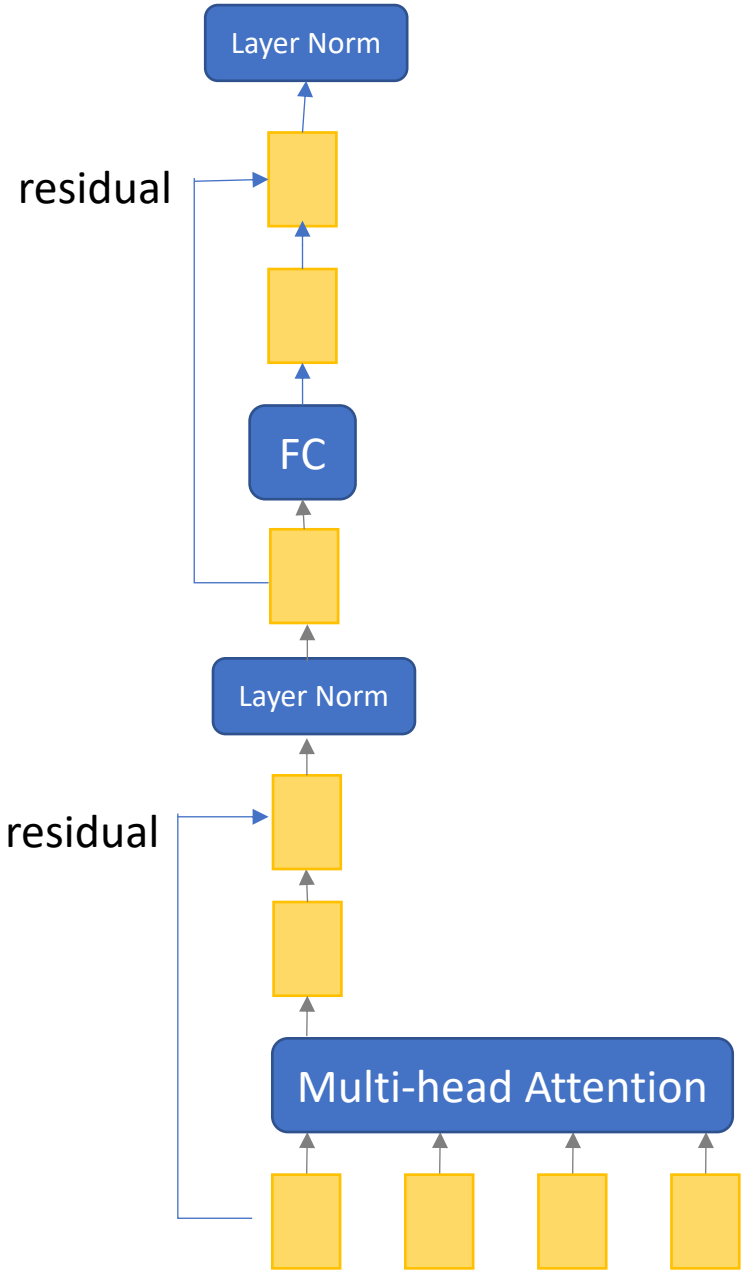


Encoder

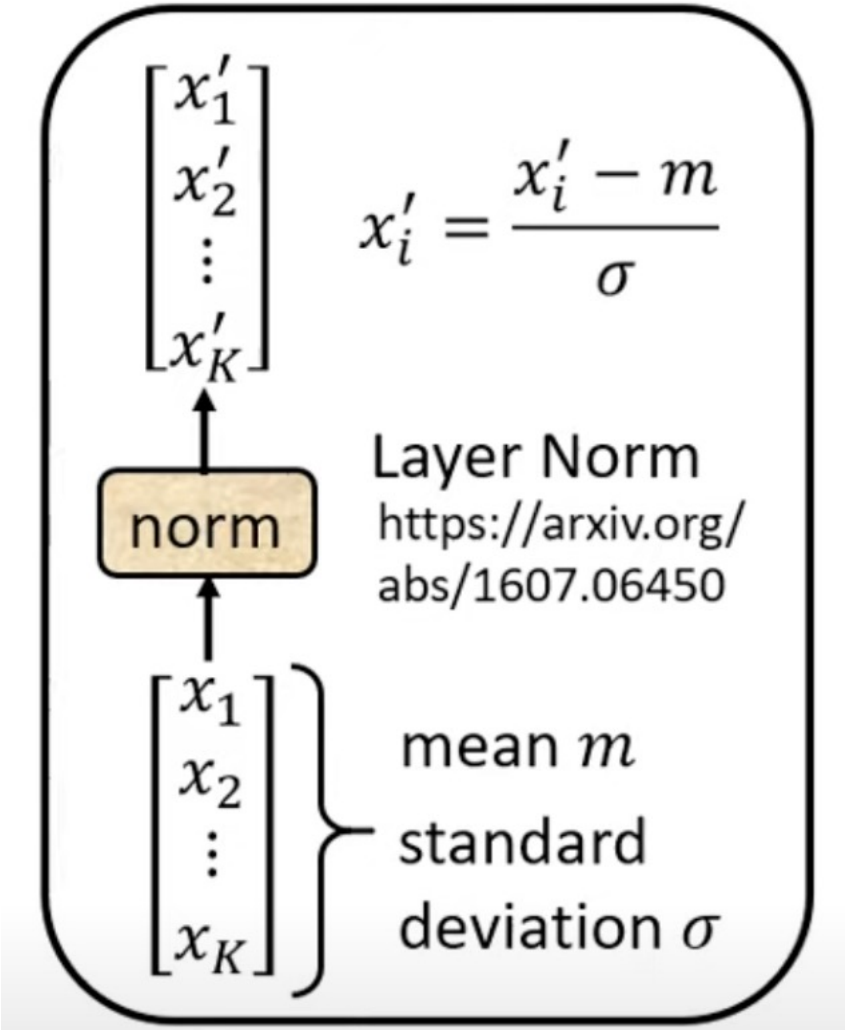

h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4
Block
Block
Block
x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4
FC FC FC FC
Multi-head Attention

Encoder

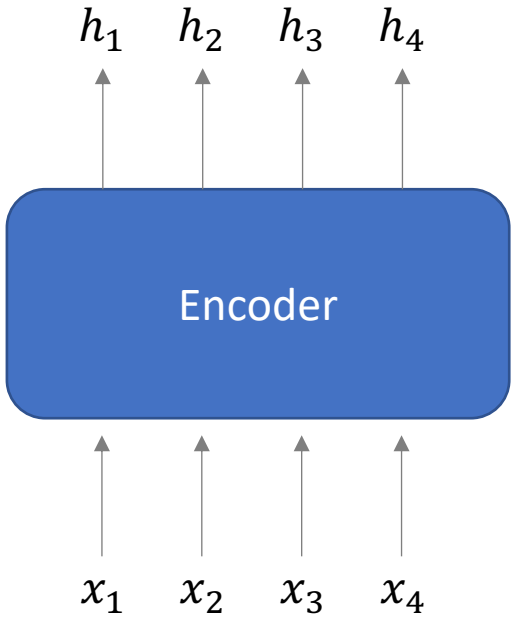

FC
FC
FC
FC
Self-attention

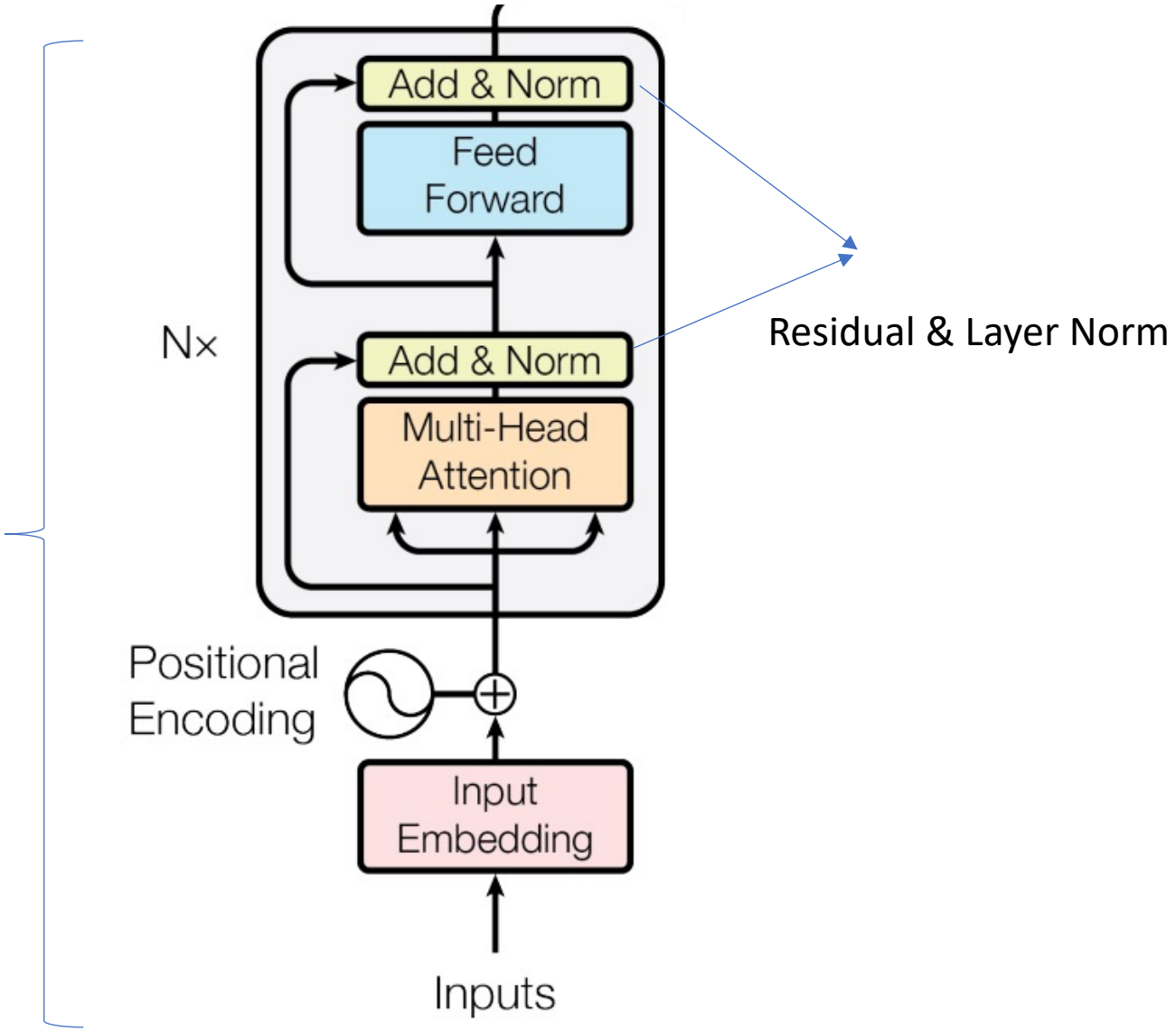

Layer Norm
residual
FC
Layer Norm
residual
Multi-head Attention

Layer Norm

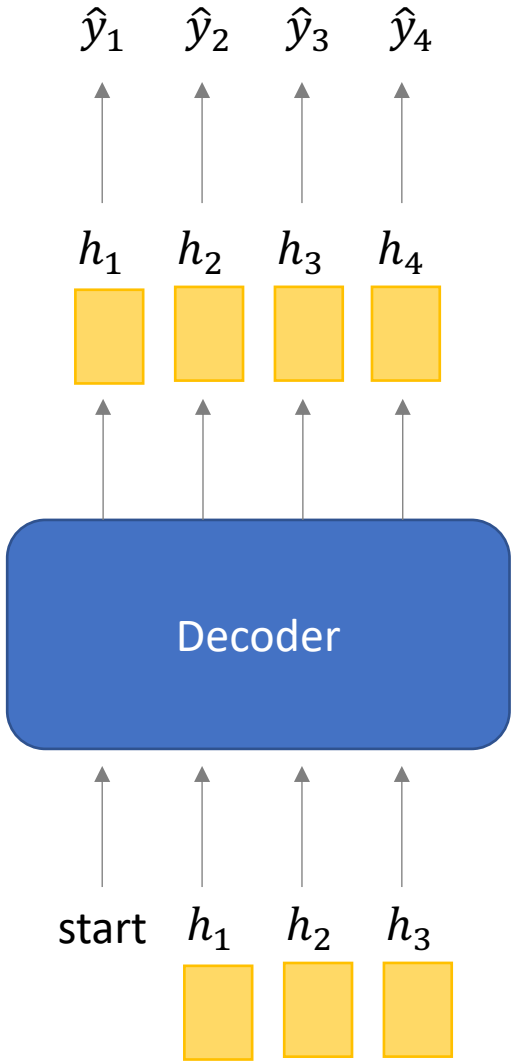

$\begin{bmatrix} x'_1 \\ x'_2 \\ \vdots \\ x'_K \end{bmatrix}$
$x'_i = \frac{x'_i - m}{\sigma}$
norm
Layer Norm
https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.06450
$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_K \end{bmatrix}$
mean m
standard deviation σ

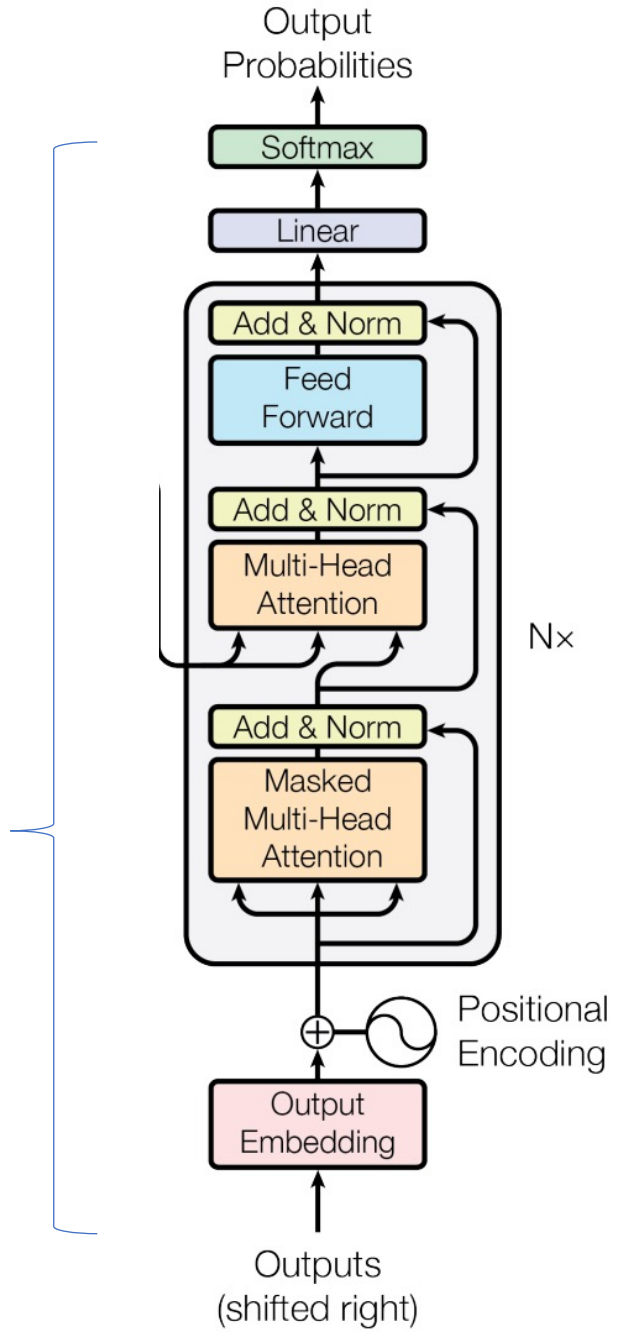
Encoder


h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4
Encoder
x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4

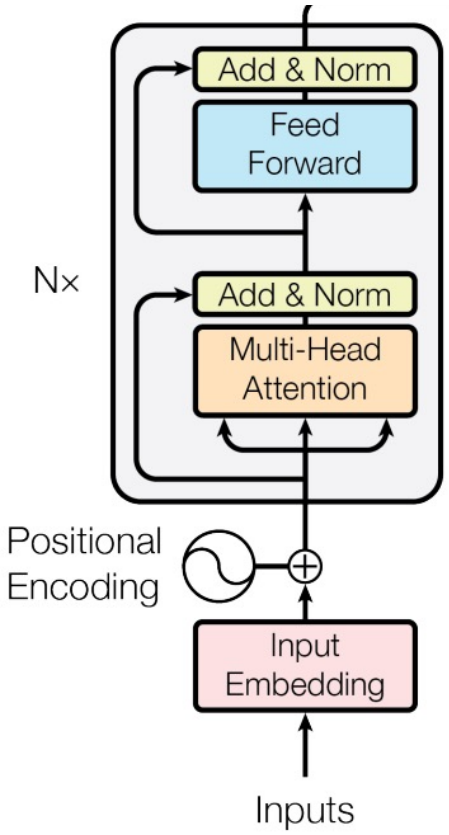

Add & Norm
Feed Forward
Add & Norm
Multi-Head Attention
N×
Residual & Layer Norm
Positional Encoding
Input Embedding
Inputs

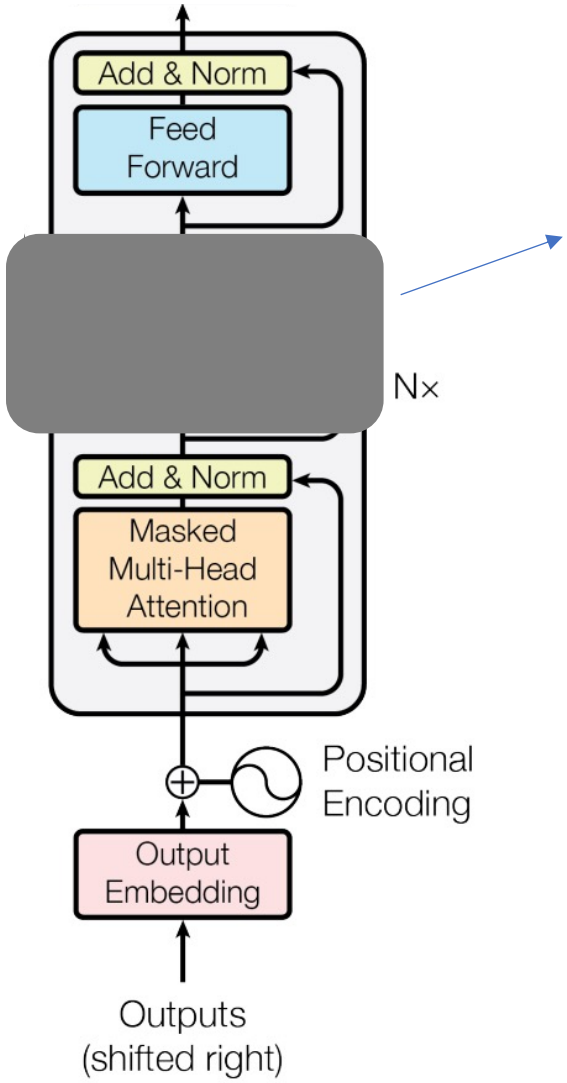
Decoder


$\hat{y}_1$ $\hat{y}_2$ $\hat{y}_3$ $\hat{y}_4$
h_1 h_2 h_3 h_4
Decoder
start h_1 h_2 h_3


Output Probabilities
Softmax
Linear
Add & Norm
Feed Forward
Add & Norm
Multi-Head Attention
Add & Norm
Masked Multi-Head Attention
Nx
Positional Encoding
Output Embedding
Outputs (shifted right)

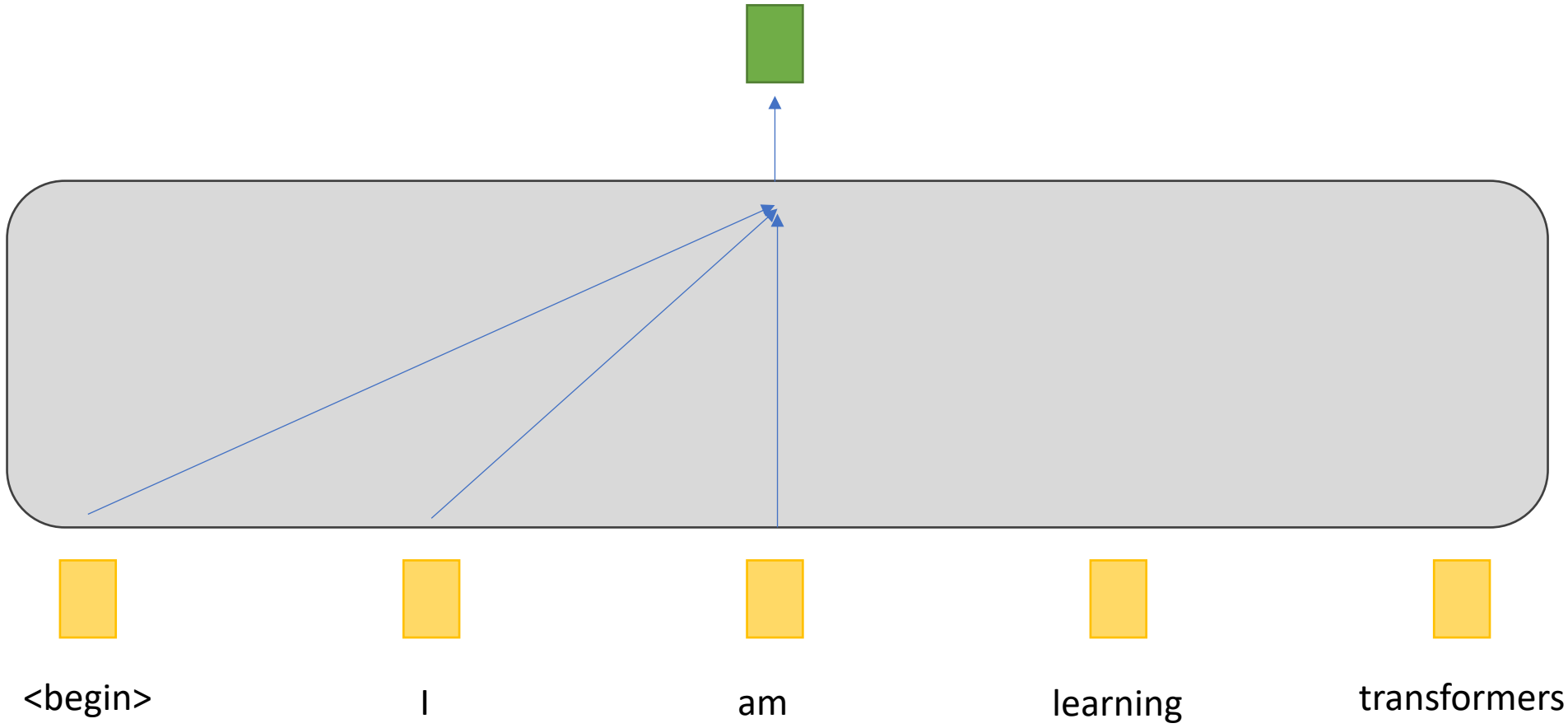
Encoder and Decoder





- Let's ignore this for now, will discuss later.
- The rest are very similar to encoder

Masked Multi-head Attention



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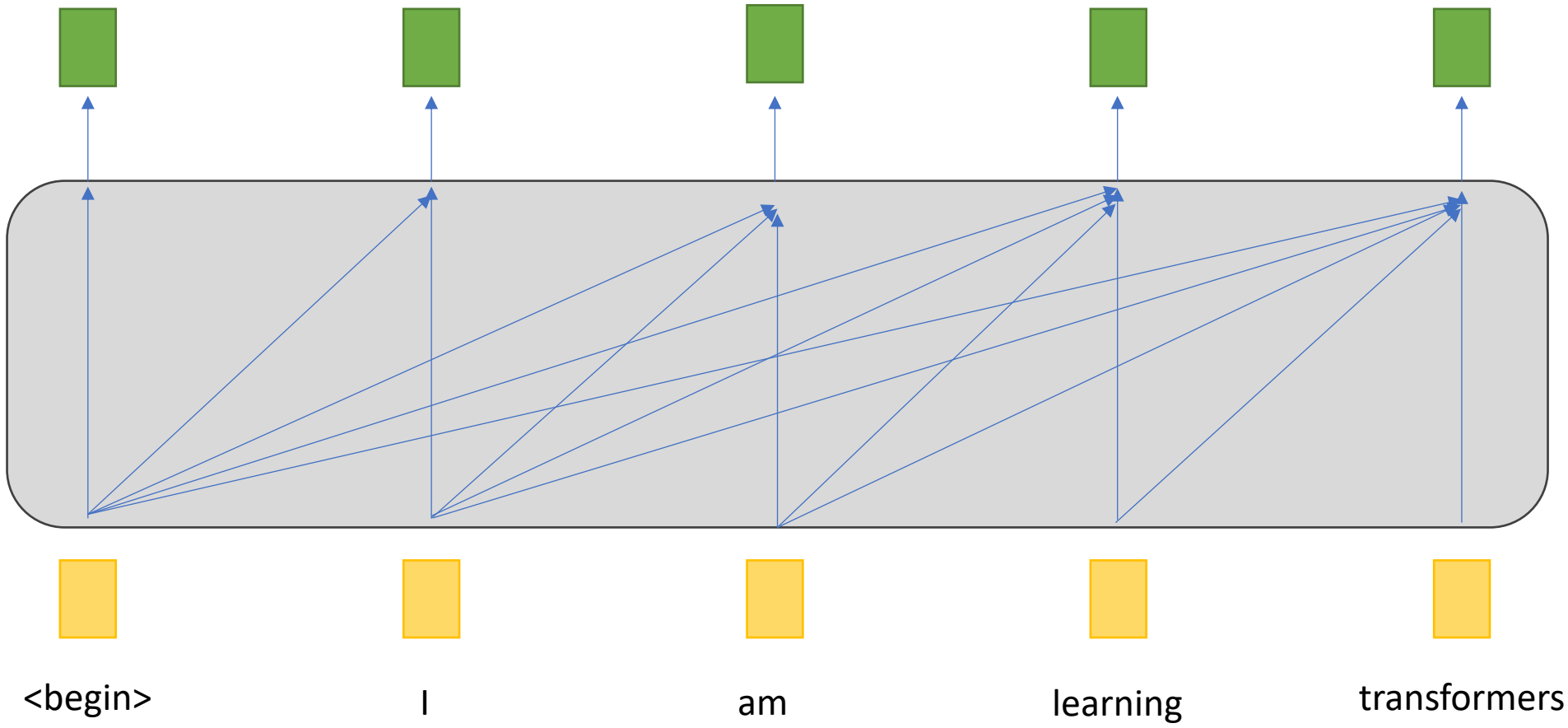
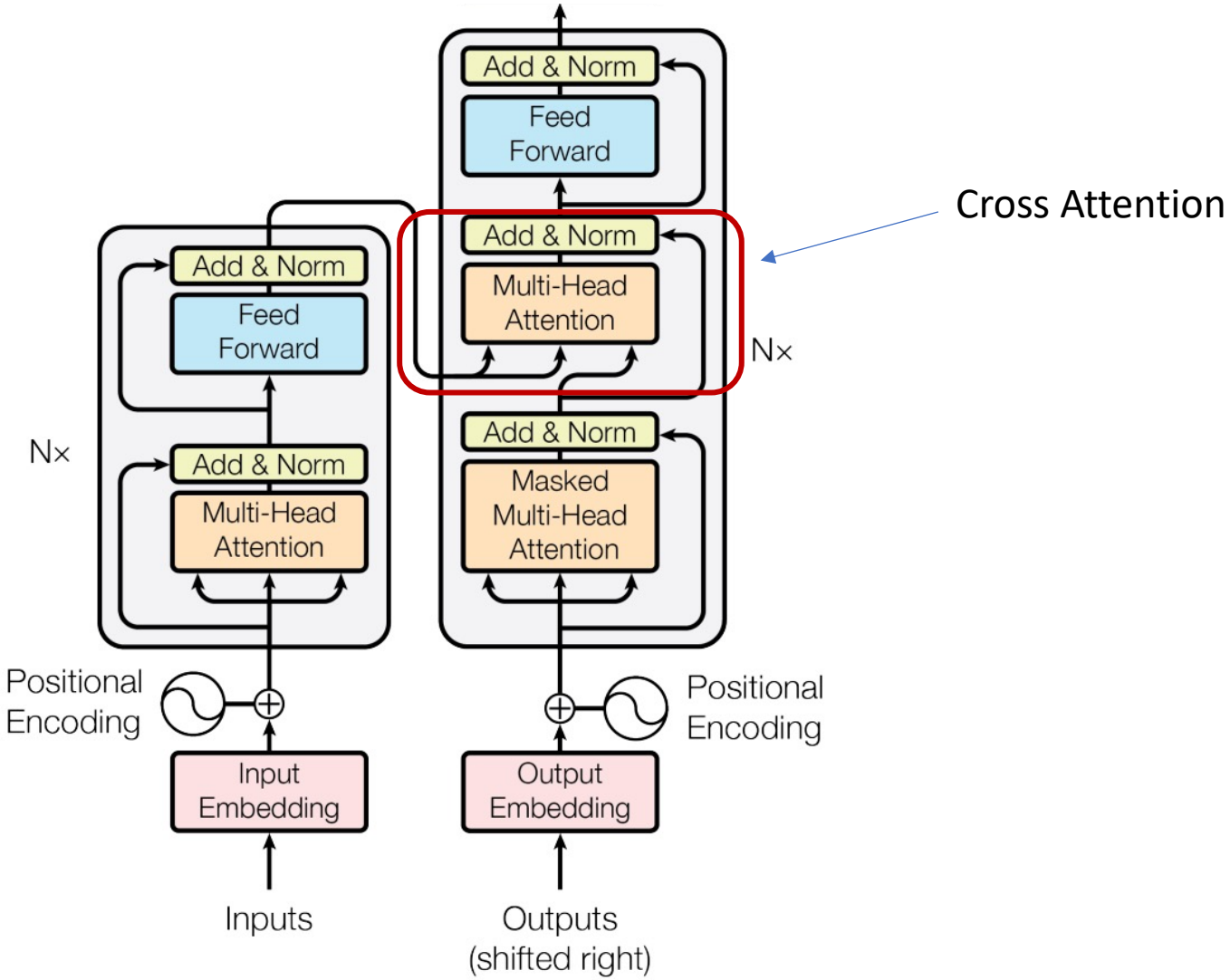


Cross Attention



Cross Attention