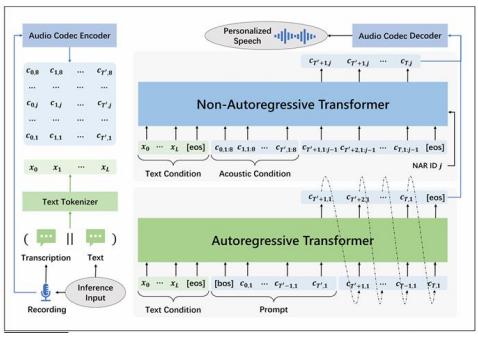
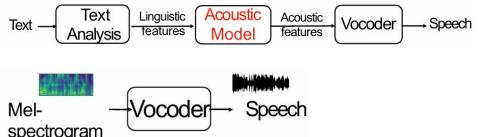
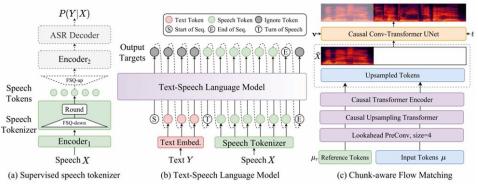




- Predict acoustic features from linguistic features



### Cozyvoice2 (Du et al., 2024)



### Preliminary: generative vs. discriminative models

- Generative model: parameterizes a joint distribution over random variables  $X$  and  $Y$
- Discriminative model: parameterizes a conditional distribution of target  $Y$  given observation  $X$

Classification:  $X$  = instance features,  $Y$  = instance class

Training objective: maximize **joint** likelihood of training data (maximum likelihood estimation)

$$\sum_i \log P(\bar{y}^{(i)}, \bar{x}^{(i)})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \log P(y_1^{(i)}) + \sum_{j=1}^{|\bar{x}^{(i)}|} \log P(x_j^{(i)} | y_j^{(i)}) \right)$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{|\bar{x}^{(i)}|} \log P(y_j^{(i)} | y_{j-1}^{(i)}) + \log P(\text{STOP} | y_{|\bar{x}^{(i)}|})$$

training data		transition probabilities			
		N	V	STOP	
they can	they fish	N	V	N	V
start probabilities		Count	$P(y_1)$		
N	3	0.75			
V	1	0.25			

$$v_1(\bar{y}) = \log P(x_1 | \bar{y}) + \log P(\bar{y})$$

$$v_t(\bar{y}) = \log P(x_t | \bar{y}) + \max_{\bar{y}_{\text{prev}}} (\log P(\bar{y} | \bar{y}_{\text{prev}}) + v_{t-1}(\bar{y}_{\text{prev}}))$$

$$\max_{\bar{y}_1, \dots, \bar{y}_n} (\log P(\text{STOP} | \bar{y}_n) + \log P(x_n | \bar{y}_n) + \dots + \log P(x_1 | \bar{y}_1) + \log P(\bar{y}_1))$$

To compute  $\max_{\bar{y}} \log P(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ :

```
v = 0|x| × |P|
for i = 1 ... |x|
    for  $\bar{y}$  in  $\mathcal{P}$ 
        if i == 1:
            v1( $\bar{y}$ ) = log P(x1 |  $\bar{y}$ ) + log P( $\bar{y}$ )
        else:
            vi( $\bar{y}$ ) = log P(xi |  $\bar{y}$ ) + max $\bar{y}_{\text{prev}}$  (log P( $\bar{y}$  |  $\bar{y}_{\text{prev}}$ ) + vi-1( $\bar{y}_{\text{prev}}$ ))
    return v|x|+1(STOP)
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keep track of this over time to reconstruct the maximum-probability sequence

**Likelihood:** given a sequence of observations, how likely is that sequence according to the HMM?

*Easy – just compute using our decomposition of  $P(x, y)$*

**Decoding:** given a sequence of observations, what's the most likely sequence of hidden states?

*Easy – use Viterbi*

**Learning:** given a sequence of observations and the set of possible states, what are the HMM parameters that maximize the probability of the sequence?

*Easy – compute using counts in data*

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{|x| \times |\mathcal{S}|}$

$$\alpha_1(s) = p_i(s)p(x_1 | s)$$

$$\alpha_i(s) = \sum_{s' \in \mathcal{S}} \alpha_{i-1}(s') p_t(s | s') p_e(x_i | s)$$

To compute  $p(\bar{x})$ :

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{|x| \times |\mathcal{S}|}$

```
alpha = 0|x| × |\mathcal{S}|
for i = 1 ... |x|
    for s in states:
        if i == 1:
            alpha[i, s] = p_i(s)p(x_1 | s)
        else:
            for s' in states:
                alpha[i, s] += alpha[i-1, s'] p_t(s | s') p_e(x_i | s)
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return sum([alpha[|x|, s] for s in states])

Base case:  $\beta_{|\bar{x}|}(s) = 1$

Recurrence relation:  $\beta_i(s) = \sum_{s' \in \mathcal{S}} p_t(s | s') p_e(x_i | s) \beta_{i+1}(s')$

Termination:  $p(\bar{x}) = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} p_i(s) p_e(x_1 | s) \beta_1(s)$

initialize  $\hat{p}_e(s | s')$  and  $\hat{p}_e(x | s)$

until convergence, iterate over examples  $\bar{x}$ :

E-step: assuming probabilities are correct, compute pseudocounts

compute  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  for  $\bar{x}$  using current probs

compute temporary counts

$$\gamma_i(s) = \frac{\alpha_i(s)\beta_i(s)}{\sum_{s' \in \mathcal{S}} \alpha_i(s)\beta_i(s')}$$

$$\xi_i(s, s') = \frac{\hat{p}_e(s, s') \hat{p}_e(x_i | s) \alpha_i(s) \beta_{i+1}(s')}{\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{s' \in \mathcal{S}} \hat{p}_e(s, s') \hat{p}_e(x_i | s) \alpha_i(s) \beta_{i+1}(s')}$$

M-step: assuming counts are correct, recompute probabilities

$$\hat{p}_t(s | s') = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{|\bar{x}|} \xi_i(s, s')}{\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \sum_{i=1}^{|\bar{x}|} \xi_i(s, s')}$$

$$\hat{p}_e(x | s) = \frac{\sum_{i=1, x_i=x}^{|\bar{x}|} \gamma_i(s)}{\sum_{i=1}^{|\bar{x}|} \gamma_i(s)}$$

One popular pre-LLM approach

E.g., Skip-Gram, GloVe – just download and initialize your favorite model with these embeddings

Then train the model for your target task

In self-refinement, we iteratively:

- Generate: map from task description to answer/solution, possibly given existing critique of past answers/solutions
- Verify: map from task description and a proposed answer/solution to some type of feedback

Low-resource languages or dialects (e.g., African American English)

Non-written languages (e.g., American Sign Language)

Language from people who aren't on the web (e.g., older adults)

Data that is increasingly getting excluded from scraping, for better or worse

### Decoder-only

Probability of each word depends only on the previous tokens generated so far

$$p(y_i) \propto f((y_1, \dots, y_{i-1}))$$

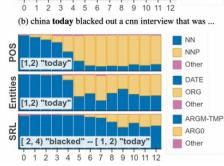
Better at language modeling when we train for longer, increase our dataset size, and increase the model size

Scaling laws tell us what test loss to expect given the amount of compute, data, and parameters.

One conclusion: we can reliably improve performance if we keep scaling up (data, model size, time for training)

Another conclusion: we can experiment with smaller models, and trends will probably generalize to larger models

Intermediate representations of BERT at different layers contain sufficient information to perform well on NLP tasks, without any task-specific training!



Main idea: format input to the model as if it were generic web text data.

Prompt: India's moon rover completes its walk. Scientists analyzing data looking for signs of frozen water.  
BEN HELD -- India's moon rover has completed its walk on the lunar surface, marking the end of the first phase of its mission to study historic landings near the lunar south pole. India's space mission chief said the rover completes its assignments. It is now safely parked and set into hibernation mode until the end of the month. The Indian Space Research Organization said in a statement Saturday.

Template Used:  
<example1\_en> = <example1\_zh>  
<example2\_en> = <example2\_zh>  
<query\_en> =

1. Pretraining documents are conditioned on a latent concept (e.g., biographical text)

2. Create independent examples from a shared concept. If we focus on full names, will bias tend to relate them to nationalities.

3. Concatenate examples into a prompt and predict next word(s). Language model (LM) implicitly infers the shared concept across examples despite the unnatural concatenation

Albert Einstein was German \n Mahatma Gandhi was Indian \n Marie Curie was ?

Main idea: "prime" model to generate step-by-step solution to input problem

COT: Structured Prompting

Main idea: prompt LMs to "call" tools, e.g., by interleaving language output with calls to a calculator:

Goal during training: find a prompt that maximizes some reward (e.g., accuracy) over the training dataset

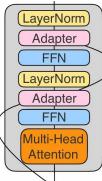
$$\arg \max_{p \in \mathcal{V}^\dagger} \mathbb{E}_{x \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{R}(y \sim \text{LLM}(px))$$

Optimize:

$$\arg \max_{p \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E}_{(x, y) \in \mathcal{D}} \text{LLM}(y | [p; \phi(x)])$$

At inference time, always prepend embedding  $p$  to inputs

- Modify the network directly by injecting additional parameters into transformer cells
- Initialize the adapter as an identity function
- Finetune **only** the adapter parameters, keeping everything else frozen
- Pretty fast to train (especially compared to full fine-tuning)
- But adding layers makes the model larger, and inference slower



We can express the new value as  $W' = W + \Delta W$

- In DiffPruning: we'd just learn  $\Delta W$  directly
- Can we learn even fewer parameters?

$$\Delta W = BA$$

$$B \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times k}$$

Low-rank:  $r \ll \min(d, k)$

At the beginning of finetuning, initialize:  
 $B = 0$   
 $A \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$   
(so that  $\Delta W$  behaves as identity function)

**Main principle:** use lower-precision representations of network parameters during inference

Reduces the space required to store the model during inference

- Remove lowest-magnitude weights (set values to 0)
- Re-train network (freezing removed weights)
- Iterate between pruning and re-training



**Main idea:** just train a new network (possibly from scratch) on task-specific data sampled from a much larger model

No need for access to larger model's weights or output probabilities, just its outputs

**Basic premise:** adjust language model probabilities to be conditioned on inputs generated in a more human-friendly interface

- Independently sample candidate responses from the instruction-tuned model
- Ask an annotator to rank the set of candidates
- Train a model to predict the scalar **quality** of independent candidates, using the principle that if some response A is ranked higher than response B, it's higher quality
- Fine-tune the instruction-tuned model via reinforcement learning (RL), with rewards assigned by this auxiliary model
- First, convert preference data to training data for this model:

$$x, (\tilde{y}_1, \dots, \tilde{y}_N) \rightarrow D_{\text{pref}} = \{(x, \tilde{y}_w, \tilde{y}_l)\}$$

$$r(\tilde{y}_w) \geq r(\tilde{y}_{l+1}) \rightarrow r(\tilde{y}_w) > r(\tilde{y}_l)$$

- Then optimize  $r$  to give higher scores to winning completions vs. losing completions:

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = -\frac{1}{N} \mathbb{E}_{(x, \tilde{y}_w, \tilde{y}_l \sim D_{\text{pref}})} \log(\sigma(r(x, \tilde{y}_w; \theta) - r(x, \tilde{y}_l; \theta)))$$

$x \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{prompts}}$

$\tilde{y}_w \sim \tau(\cdot | x, y_{<t}; \theta)$

$s = r(x, \tilde{y}_w; \text{reward})$

Objective to maximize:  
 $\mathbb{E}_{(x, \tilde{y}_w, \tilde{y}_l \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{pretrain}})} \left( s - \beta \log \left( \frac{\pi(\tilde{y}_w | x; \theta)}{\pi(\tilde{y}_l | x; \theta; \text{instruct})} \right) \right)$   
**Reward maximization**  
**KL divergence with instruction-tuned model**  
 $+ \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathcal{D}_{\text{pretrain}}} \log(\pi(x; \theta))$  **Base LM objective**