

# ATCS Practical Natural Language Inference

Lab session 1

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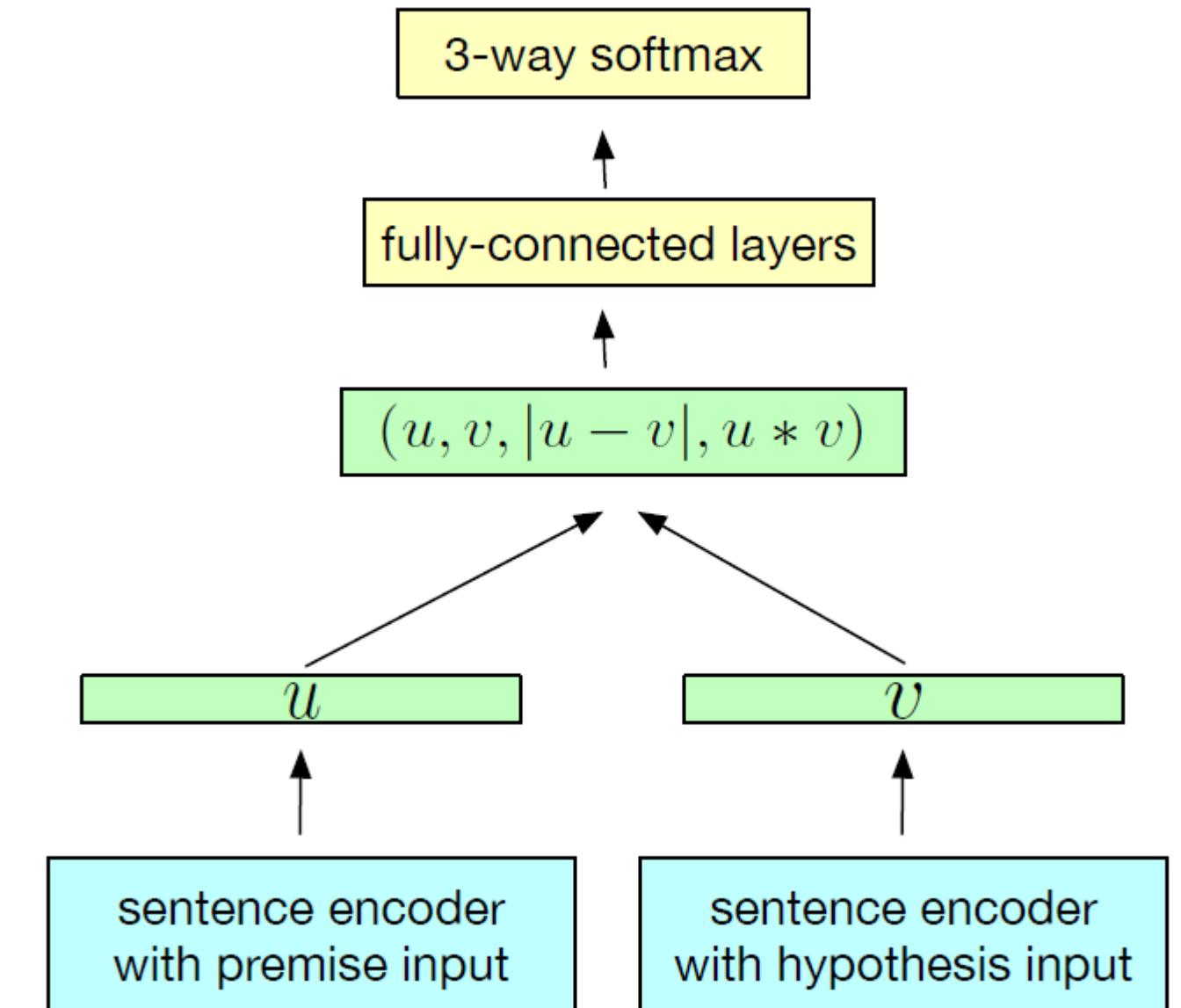


# Assignment: SNLI Corpus of Bowman et al. (2015)

- Data Stanford Natural Language Inference (SNLI) Corpus;
- Size 570k sentence pairs;
- Labels entailment, contradiction, neutral.

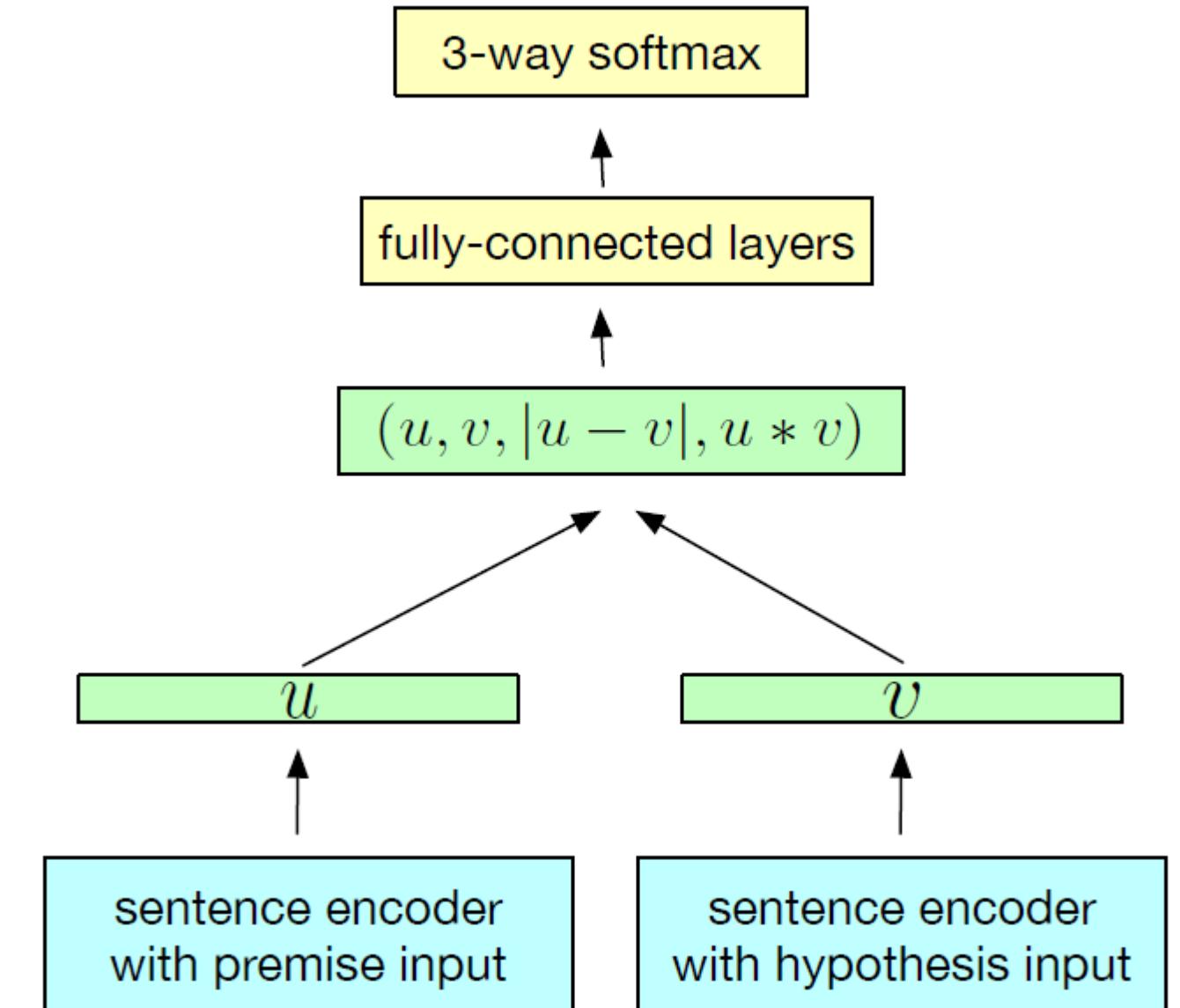
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2. Encode P and H with the same encoder and pool words;
  - a. Average word embeddings;
  - b. Uni-LSTM, use last hidden state;
  - c. Bi-LSTM, use first and last hidden state;
  - d. Bi-LSTM, use max pooling over words.
3. Classify with MLP.



# Assignment: Evaluation

- Regular testing using the SNLI test set (Bowman et al., 2015);
- Transfer testing using the SentEval library (Conneau & Kiela, 2018).

# Assignment: Practicalities

- Read the papers before starting;
- Implement in PyTorch, use Torchtext for preprocessing SNLI and GloVe;
- Use a Tensorboard;
- Follow a tutorial for using SentEval;
- Use Lisa to train!

# Deliverables

- **Code** Python files for training and evaluation;
- **Documentation** A ReadMe describing code with instructions for running;
- **Pretrained models** The final checkpoint for each model;
- **Demo and error analysis** A Jupyter notebook containing
  - example inferences,
  - a result overview (SNLI & SentEval),
  - error analysis.

**Deadline** is Friday, April 17, midnight.

# Grading

- In-person evaluation through Zoom screen-sharing:
  - You demonstrate your results and analysis in the notebook;
  - We shortly inspect your code.
- Scheduled to take place Tuesday, April 21.

It's Q&A time: submit  
questions through  
the chat.



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