

# Representing Words with Vectors

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# Agenda for the day

- Learning Word Representations
- GloVe model
- Skip-Grams
- CBOW
- FastText

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# Word Representations

- Number of words in human language are far too numerous
- One-hot encoding doesn't capture relationships between words
- Compact representations would make the math work easier / training models easier
- Would be useful to capture Synonyms / Homonyms / Antonyms in these representations
- Would be useful to capture other relationships (e.g. King:Queen :: Man:Woman)

# Word Representations: Some Assumptions

- Words that appear in similar contexts have similar meaning
- Co-occurrence of words convey meaning / structure of language
- Sub-word structures exist in languages

# Word Representations

## Goal

If we convert words into vectors in such a way that words with similar meanings will have vectors that lie nearby; Further if we can do vector arithmetic on them, it would be great. E.g.  $\text{King} - \text{Man} + \text{Woman} = \text{Queen}$

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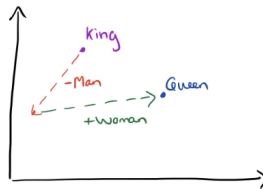
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We want to do something like: King  $\rightarrow$  (0.3, 0.9, 0.9, 0.2), Queen  $\rightarrow$  (0.3, 0.9, 0.1, 0.2) etc

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Word  
Vectors



Vector  
Composition



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# GloVe: Global Vectors for Word Representations

Pr. and Ratio	k=solid	k=gas	k=ice	k=steam
$P(k ice)$	$1.9E-4$	$6.6E-5$	$3.0E-3$	$1.7E-5$
$P(k steam)$	$2.2E-5$	$7.8E-4$	$2.2E-3$	$1.8E-5$
$P(k ice)/P(k steam)$	8.9	$8.5E-2$	1.36	0.96

**Table:** Co-occurrence Probabilities and their ratios from a 6 Billion word corpus

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- The distinction between  $w$  and  $\tilde{w}$  is arbitrary. Applying Homomorphism:  $F((w_i - w_j)^T \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{F(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k)}{F(w_j^T \tilde{w}_k)}$

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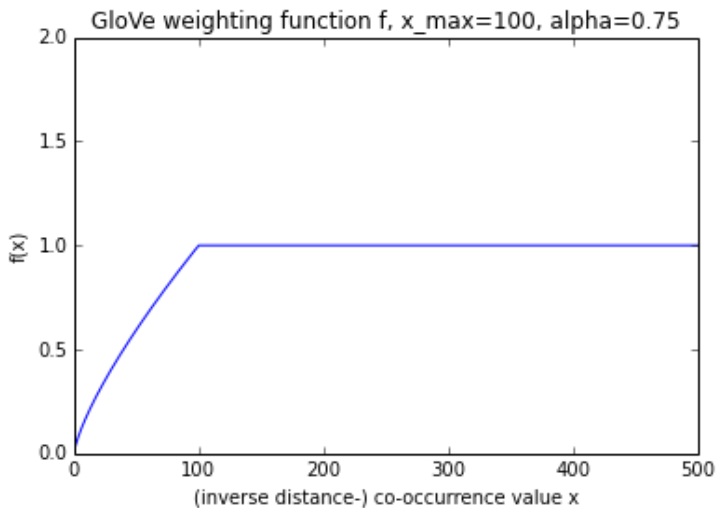
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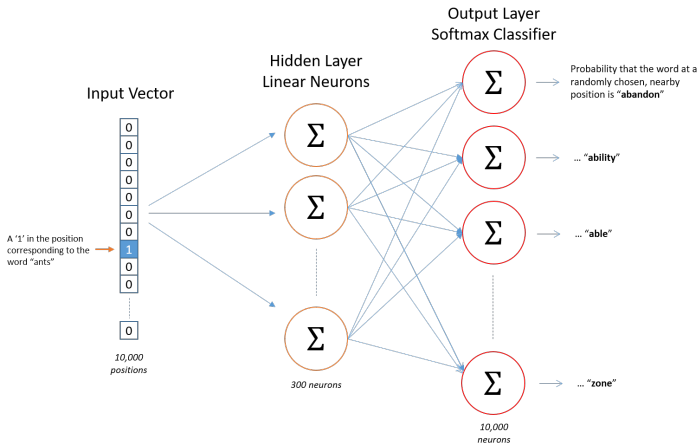
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# Skip-gram Model

Predict a context word, given an input word

Given *brown*, what is the probability that *the*, *quick*, *fox*, *jumps* appear in its neighborhood in a sentence





## Source Text

## Training Samples

The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog. ➡	(the, quick) (the, brown)
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# Skip-gram Model Training

- $P(w_c|w_t) = \frac{\exp^{s(w_t, w_c)}}{\sum_{j=1}^V \exp^{s(w_t, w_j)}}$
- Online training, using SGD

# Skip-gram Model Training

- Consider special n-grams as single words: New York, Boston Globe
- Negative sampling to selectively at random update a few negative samples. Frequent words have a higher chance of being selected for negative sampling
- Sub-sample frequent words

Graph for  $(\sqrt{x/0.001}+1)*0.001/x$

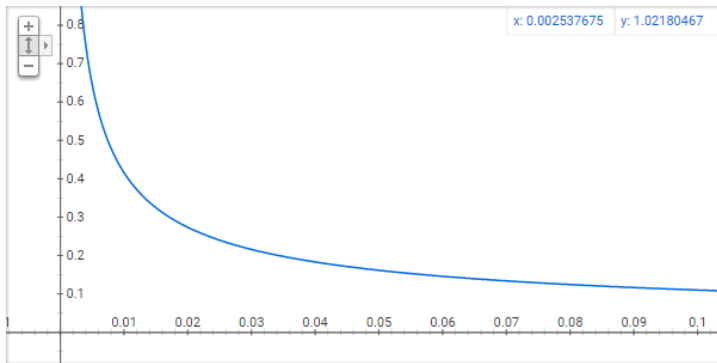


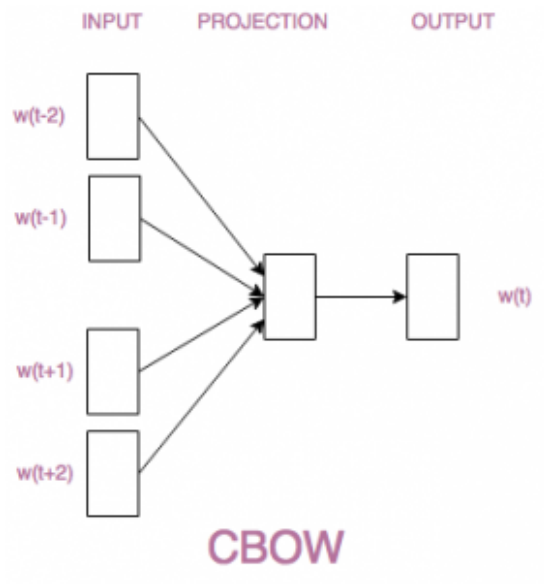
Figure: Plot of word frequency and Probability of keeping. Empirically obtained

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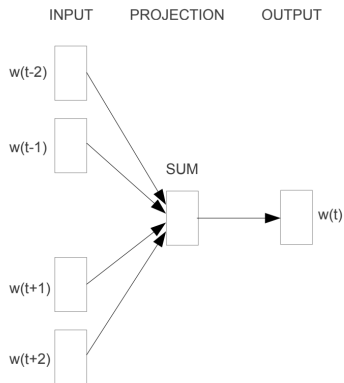
- Instead of predicting the *context*, predict the *target* given the context
- Given (the, quick, fox, jumps), predict  $\hat{\text{brown}}$



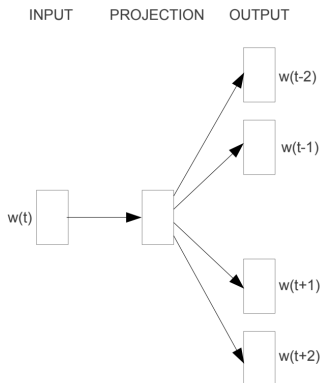
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- Works better than Skip-gram when corpus is smaller
- Embeddings are averaged across the context, perhaps resulting in more stable representations





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**Skip-gram**

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- Many word forms occur rarely even in large corpora, preventing learning good representations for them

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