

Deep learning

Word Embedding

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Introduction

1 How to represent a word?

- Represent words as atomic symbols such as talk, university, building.
- Represent word as a one-hot vector such as

$$\text{university} = (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

egg student talk university building buy

2 Issues with one-hot representation

- How large is this vector? dimensionality is large; vector is sparse
- Representing new words (any idea?).
- How measure word similarity?

Distributional representation

- 1 Linguistic items with similar distributions have similar meanings
(words occur in the same contexts probably have similar meaning).

$$university = (0.2, 0.1, 0.12, 0.38, 0.2, \dots, 0.12)$$

egg student talk university building buy

- 2 Word meanings are vector of basic concept.
- 3 What are basic concept?
- 4 How to assign weights?
- 5 How to define the similarity/distance?

How to use word vectors?

1 Distance/similarity

- **Cosine similarity:** Word vector are normalized by length

$$\cos(u, v) = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|u\| \|v\|}$$

- **Euclidean distance:**

$$d(u, v) = \|u - v\|^2$$

- **Inner product:** This is same as cosine similarity if vectors are normalized

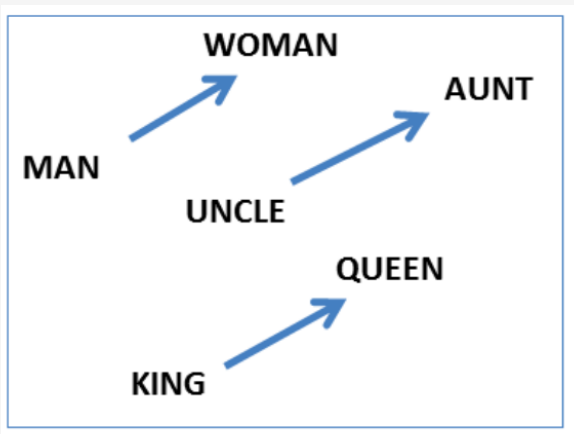
$$d(u, v) = \langle u, v \rangle$$

2 Choosing the right similarity metric is important.

How to use word vectors?

1 Word analogy

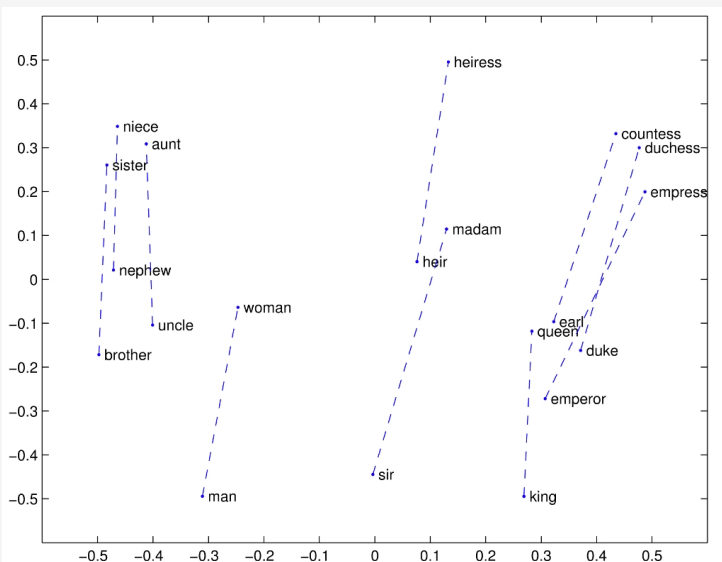
$$v_{man} - v_{woman} + v_{uncle} \sim v_{aunt}$$



How to learn word vectors?

- 1 What are **basic concept**?
 - We want that the number of basic concepts to be small and
 - Basis be orthogonal
- 2 How to assign **weights**?
- 3 How to define the **similarity/distance** such as cosine similarity?

Distributional representation (example)



Term-document incidence matrix

Example

	Anthony and Cleopatra	Julius Caesar	The Tempest	Hamlet	Othello	Macbeth	...
Anthony	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Brutus	1	1	0	1	0	0	
Caesar	1	1	0	1	1	1	
Calpurnia	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Cleopatra	1	0	0	0	0	0	
mercy	1	0	1	1	1	1	
worser	1	0	1	1	1	0	
...							

Entry is 1 if term occurs. Example: Calpurnia occurs in *Julius Caesar*.

Entry is 0 if term doesn't occur. Example: Calpurnia doesn't occur in *Tempest*.

Each term is represented as a vector of bits.

Term weighting

- 1 Evaluation of how important a term is with respect to a document.
- 2 First idea: the more important a term is, the more often it appears:
term frequency

$$tf_{t,d} = \sum_{x \in d} f_t(x) \text{ where } f_t(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- 3 The *order of terms* within a doc is ignored

Inverse Document Frequency

- 1 *Inverse document frequency* of a term t :

$$idf_t = \log \frac{N}{df_t} \quad \text{with } N = \text{collection size}$$

- 2 Rare terms have high *idf*, contrary to frequent terms
- 3 Example (Reuters collection):

Term t	df_t	idf_t
car	18165	1.65
auto	6723	2.08
insurance	19241	1.62
best	25235	1.5

- 4 In tf-idf weighting, the weight of a term is computed using both *tf* and *idf*:

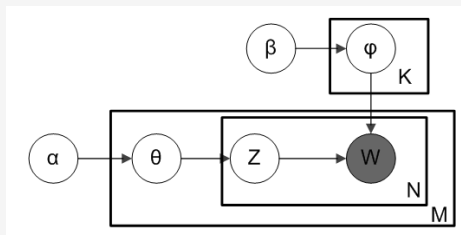
$$w(t, d) = tf_{t,d} \times idf_t \quad \text{called } tf - idf_{t,d}$$

Dimensionality reduction

- 1 we don't need all of the dimensions that represent a word, only the most important ones.
- 2 There are several techniques such as
 - **Principle Component Analysis (PCA)**: The most important dimensions contain the most variance
 - **Latent Semantic Analysis (LSA)**: Project terms and documents into a topic space using SVD on term-document (co-occurrence) matrix.
 - **Low-rank Approximation**
- 3 Can we learn the dimensionality reduction from texts?

Latent Dirichlet allocation

- 1 Assumes generative probabilistic model of a corpus¹.
- 2 Documents are represented as distribution over latent topics, where each topic is characterized by a distribution over words.



¹Blei, David M.; Ng, Andrew Y.; Jordan, Michael, "Latent Dirichlet Allocation". *Journal of Machine Learning Research*. 3 (45): pp. 993-1022, 2003.

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Language modeling

- 1 An **language model** is a model for how humans **generate language**.
- 2 The quality of language models is measured based on their ability to learn a probability distribution over words in vocabulary V .
- 3 Language models generally try to compute the probability of a word w_t given its $n - 1$ previous words, i.e. $p(w_t | w_{t-1}, \dots, w_{t-n+1})$.
- 4 Applying the chain rule and Markov assumption, we can approximate the probability of a whole sentence or document by the product of the probabilities of each word given its n previous words:

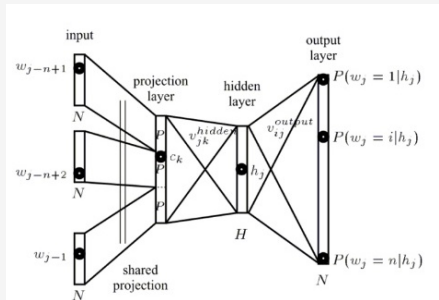
$$p(w_1, \dots, w_T) = \prod_i p(w_i | w_{i-1}, \dots, w_{i-n+1})$$

- 5 In n-gram based language models, we can calculate a word's probability based on the frequencies of its constituent n-grams:

$$p(w_t | w_{t-1}, \dots, w_{t-n+1}) = \frac{\text{count}(w_{t-n+1}, \dots, w_{t-1}, w_t)}{\text{count}(w_{t-n+1}, \dots, w_{t-1})}$$

Neural Probabilistic Language Model

- 1 In NNs, we achieve the same objective using the softmax layer².

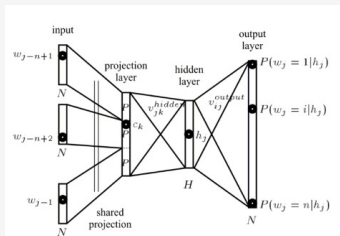


$$p(w_t | w_{t-1}, \dots, w_{t-n+1}) = \frac{\exp(h^\top v'_{w_t})}{\sum_{w_i \in V} \exp(h^\top v'_{w_i})}$$

²Bengio, Y., Ducharme, R., Vincent, P., and Janvin, C. (2003). A Neural Probabilistic Language Model. The Journal of Machine Learning Research, 3, 1137-1155.

Neural Probabilistic Language Model

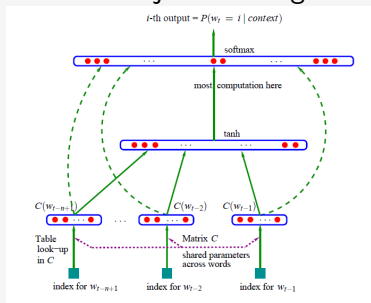
1 In this model



- 2 The inner product $h^\top v'_{w_t}$ computes the (unnormalized) log-probability of word w_t , which we normalize by the sum of the log-probabilities of all words in V .
- 3 h is the output vector of the penultimate network layer, while v'_w is the output embedding of word w , i.e. its representation in the weight matrix of the softmax layer.

Neural Probabilistic Language Model

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- 2 Associate each word in vocabulary a distributed feature vector.
- 3 Learn both the embedding and parameters for probability function jointly.

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Word2vec algorithm

- 1 Proposed by Mikolov et. al. and widely used for many NLP applications (in two papers).
- 2 Key features
 - Uses neural networks to train word / context classifiers (feedforward neural net)
 - Uses local context windows (environment around any word in a corpus) as inputs to the NN
 - Removed hidden layer.
 - Use of additional context for training LMs.
 - Introduced newer training strategies using huge database of words efficiently.

Word2vec algorithm

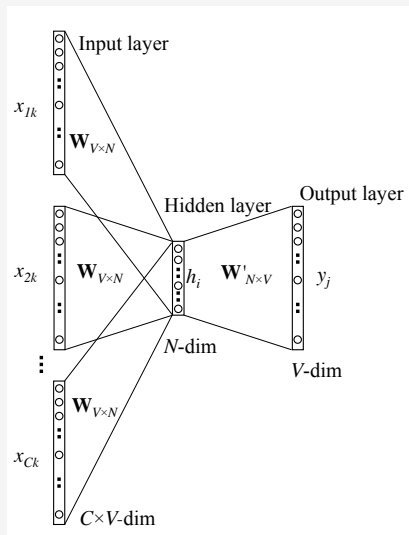
- 1 In their first paper, Mikolov et al. propose two architectures for learning word embeddings that are computationally less expensive than previous models⁴.
- 2 In their second paper, they improve upon these models by employing additional strategies to enhance training speed and accuracy⁵.

⁴Mikolov, T., Corrado, G., Chen, K., & Dean, J. (2013). Efficient Estimation of Word Representations in Vector Space. Proceedings of the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2013), 1-12.

⁵Mikolov, T., Chen, K., Corrado, G., & Dean, J. (2013). Distributed Representations of Words and Phrases and their Compositionality. NIPS, 1-9.

Continuous Bag-of-Words

- 1 Mikolov et al. thus use both the n words before and after the target word w_t to predict it.
- 2 They call this continuous bag-of-words (CBOW), as it uses continuous representations whose order is of no importance.



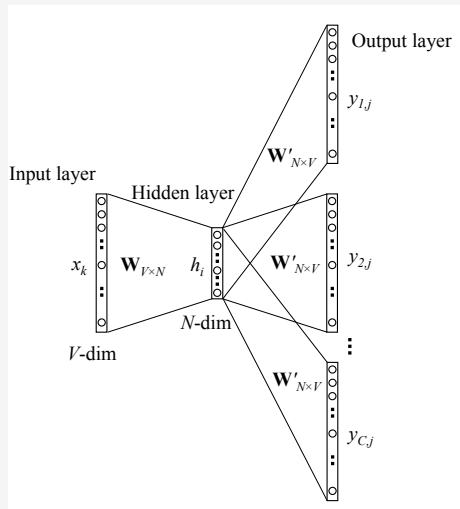
Continuous Bag-of-Words objective function

- 1 The objective function of CBOW in turn is

$$l(\theta) = \sum_{t \in \text{Text}} \log P(w_t | w_{t-n}, \dots, w_{t-1}, w_{t+1}, \dots, w_{t+n})$$

Skip-gram

- 1 Instead of using the surrounding words to predict the center word as with CBOW, skip-gram uses the centre word to predict the surrounding words.



Skip-gram objective function

- 1 The skip-gram objective thus sums the log probabilities of the surrounding n words to the left and to the right of the target word w_t to produce the following objective function.

$$l(\theta) = \sum_{t \in \text{Text}} \sum_{-n \leq j \leq n, j \neq 0} \log P(w_{t+j} | w_t)$$

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Global Vectors for Word Representation⁶

- 1 Skip-gram doesn't utilize the statistics of corpus since they train on separate local context windows instead of on global co-occurrence counts.
- 2 The statistics of word occurrences in a corpus is the primary source of information available to all unsupervised methods for learning word representations.
- 3 Let X_{ij} be the number of times word j occurs in the context of word i .
- 4 Let $X_i = \sum_k X_{ik}$ be the number of times any word appears in the context of word i .
- 5 Let $P_{ij} = P(j|i) = \frac{X_{ij}}{X_i}$ be the probability that word j appear in the context of word i .

⁶Pennington, J., Socher, R., & Manning, C. D. (2014). [Glove: Global Vectors for Word Representation](#). Proc. of Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing, 1532-1543.

Global Vectors for Word Representation

- 1 Co-occurrence probabilities for target words ice and steam with selected context words from a 6 billion token corpus.

Probability and Ratio	$k = \text{solid}$	$k = \text{gas}$	$k = \text{water}$	$k = \text{fashion}$
$P(k \text{ice})$	1.9×10^{-4}	6.6×10^{-5}	3.0×10^{-3}	1.7×10^{-5}
$P(k \text{steam})$	2.2×10^{-5}	7.8×10^{-4}	2.2×10^{-3}	1.8×10^{-5}
$P(k \text{ice})/P(k \text{steam})$	8.9	8.5×10^{-2}	1.36	0.96

- 2 Considering two words $i = \text{ice}$ and $j = \text{steam}$ and study their relationship using various probe words, k .
- 3 For words k related to ice but not steam, say $k = \text{solid}$, we expect the ratio $\frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$ will be large.
- 4 For words k related to steam but not ice, say $k = \text{gas}$, we expect the ratio $\frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$ will be small.
- 5 For words k like water or fashion, that are either related to both ice and steam, or to neither, the ratio should be close to one.

Global Vectors for Word Representation

- 1 This argument suggests that the appropriate starting point for word vector learning should be with ratios of co-occurrence probabilities rather than the probabilities themselves.
- 2 Noting that the ratio $\frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$ depends on three words i, j, k , the most general model takes the form of

$$F(w_i, w_j, \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$$

where $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$ are word vectors and $\tilde{w} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ are separate context word vectors.

- 3 We would like F to encode $\frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$ in the word vector space.
- 4 Since vector spaces are inherently linear structures, the most natural way to do this is with vector differences. Hence

$$F(w_i - w_j, \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$$

Global Vectors for Word Representation

- 1 Parameters of F are vectors while the right-hand side is a scalar.
- 2 F can be a complicated function such as a neural network, but a simplified function can be used also.

$$F((w_i - w_j)^T \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}}$$

- 3 For word-word co-occurrence matrices, the distinction between a word and a context word is arbitrary. Hence, we are free to exchange the two roles, i.e. $w \leftrightarrow \tilde{w}$ and $X \leftrightarrow X^T$.
- 4 Hence, model should be invariant under this relabeling. Thus

$$F((w_i - w_j)^T \tilde{w}_k) = \frac{P_{ik}}{P_{jk}} = \frac{F(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k)}{F(w_j^T \tilde{w}_k)} = \frac{X_{ik}}{X_{jk}}$$

- 5 $F = \exp$ is the solution of the above equation. Hence,

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k = \log P_{ik} = \log X_{ik} - \log X_{jk}$$

Global Vectors for Word Representation

- 1 We have,

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k = \log P_{ik} = \log X_{ik} - \log X_i$$

- 2 The above equation would exhibit the exchange symmetry if not for the $\log X_i$ on the right-hand side.
- 3 This term is independent of k so it can be absorbed into a bias b_i for w_i .
- 4 Adding an additional bias \tilde{b}_k for \tilde{w}_k restores the symmetry. Hence

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k = \log X_{ik}$$

Glove cost function

- 1 In an ideal setting, where you have perfect word vectors, the following expression will be zero.

$$w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k - \log X_{ik} =$$

- 2 Hence, we can define the objective function as

$$J(w_i, \tilde{w}_k) = \left(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k - \log X_{ik} \right)^2$$

- 3 Now, the final cost function is

$$J(w_i, \tilde{w}_k) = \sum_{i,k=1}^{|V|} f(X_{ik}) \left(w_i^T \tilde{w}_k + b_i + \tilde{b}_k - \log X_{ik} \right)^2$$

where f is a weighting function, which is defined manually.

Glove Results

- 1 GloVe becomes a global model for unsupervised learning of word representations that outperforms other models on word analogy, word similarity, and named entity recognition tasks.
- 2 Advantages
 - Fast training
 - Scalable to huge corpora
 - Good performance even with small corpus, and small vectors
 - Early stopping. We can stop training when improvements become small.
- 3 Drawbacks
 - Uses a lot of memory: the fastest way to construct a term-cooccurrence matrix is to keep it in RAM as a hash map and perform cooccurrence increments in a global manner
 - Sometimes quite sensitive to initial learning rate

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FastText

- 1 One drawback of the Word2vec and Glove is the fact that they don't handle out-of-vocabulary.
- 2 FastText introduced the concept of subword-level embeddings, based on the skip-gram model, but where each word is represented as a bag of character -grams⁷.
- 3 A vector representation is associated to each character -gram, and words are represented as the sum of these representations.
- 4 This allows the model to compute word representations for words that did not appear in the training data.

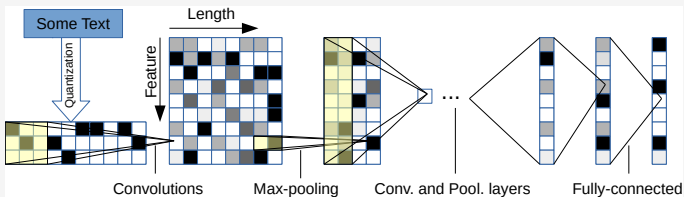
⁷Piotr Bojanowski, Edouard Grave, Armand Joulin, and Tomas Mikolov, [Enriching Word Vectors with Subword Information](#), Transactions of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Vol. 5, pp. 135–146, 2017.

FastText

- 1 Each word w is represented as a bag of character n -gram, plus a special boundary symbols $<$ and $>$ at the beginning and end of words, plus the word w itself in the set of its n -grams.
- 2 Taking the word **where** and $n = 3$ as an example, it will be represented by the character n -grams:
 $< wh, whe, her, ere, re>$ and the special sequence $< where >$.
- 3 In practice, they extracted all the **n -grams** for n greater or equal to **3** and smaller or equal to **6**.

Character-level Convolutional Networks⁸

- 1 A list of character are defined 70 characters which including 26 English letters, 10 digits, 33 special characters and new line character.
- 2 The network architectures are: 9 layers deep with 6 convolutional layers and 3 fully-connected layers.



⁸Xiang Zhang, Junbo Zhao, and Yann LeCun, [Character-level Convolutional Networks for Text Classification](#), NIPS 2015.

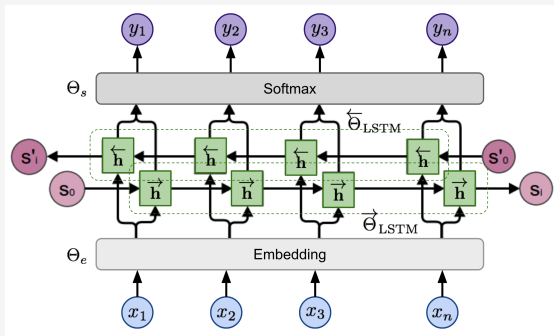
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Embeddings from Language Model (ELMo) ⁹

- 1 ELMo learns contextualized word representation by pre-training a language model in an unsupervised way.



⁹Matthew Peters, et. al., [Deep Contextualized Word Representations](#), Proc. of Conf. of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Human Language Technologies, Volume 1 (Long Papers), 2018.

Embeddings from Language Model (ELMo)

- 1 The bidirectional Language Model (biLM) is the foundation for ELMo.
- 2 While the input is a sequence of n tokens, (x_1, \dots, x_n) , the language model learns to predict the probability of next token given the history.
- 3 In the forward pass, the history contains words before the target token,

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i \mid x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})$$

- 4 In the backward pass, the history contains words after the target token,

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i \mid x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

- 5 The predictions in both directions are modeled by multi-layer LSTMs with hidden states.

Embeddings from Language Model (ELMo)

- 1 The model is trained to minimize the negative log likelihood (= maximize the log likelihood for true words) in both directions:

$$\mathcal{L} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\log p(x_i \mid x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}; \Theta_e, \vec{\Theta}_{\text{LSTM}}, \Theta_s) + \log p(x_i \mid x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n; \Theta_e, \overleftarrow{\Theta}_{\text{LSTM}}, \Theta_s) \right)$$

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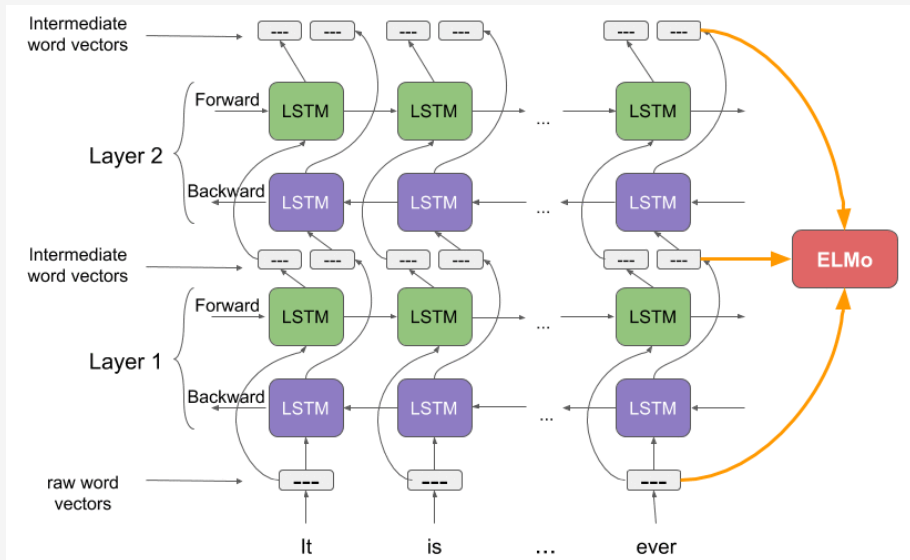
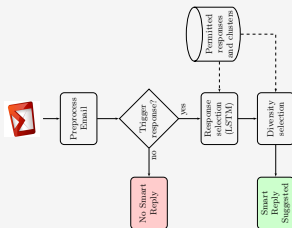


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Smart Reply¹⁰

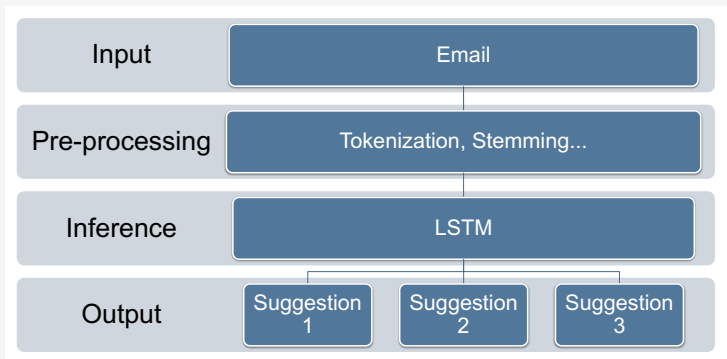
- 1 An end-to-end method for automatically generating short email responses, called **Smart Reply**.
- 2 It generates semantically diverse suggestions that can be used as complete email responses with just one tap on mobile.
- 3 The system is currently used in In- box by Gmail and is responsible for assisting with 10% of all mobile responses.



¹⁰Anjuli Kannan et. al., **Smart Reply: Automated Response Suggestion for Email**, SIGKDD 2016.

Smart Reply Architecture

1 A first version



Smart Reply Architecture

- 1 Issues [Response diversity](#), [Quality control](#), and [Computing costs](#)

Unnormalized Responses
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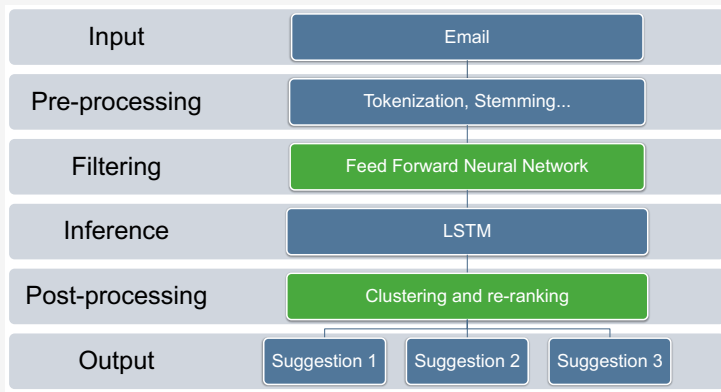
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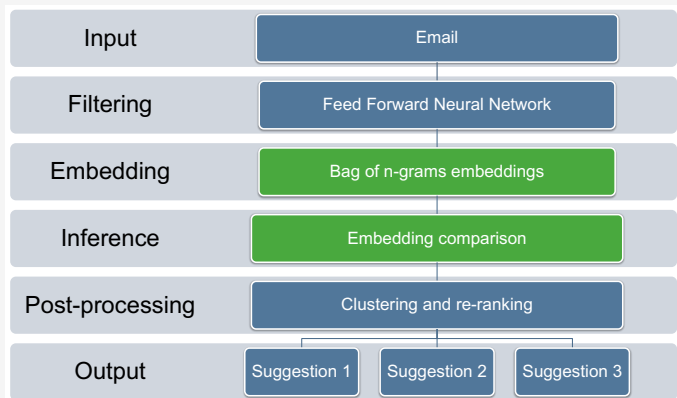
Smart Reply: A better architecture

1 Issues

- **Response diversity** : semi supervised clustering (human in the loop)
- **Quality control** : restrict output sentences to a subset
- **Computing costs** : triggering NN system eliminates 90% of messages



Smart Reply: An optimized version¹¹



¹¹Matthew Henderson, et al., [Efficient Natural Language Response Suggestion for Smart Reply](#), arXiv 2017.

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