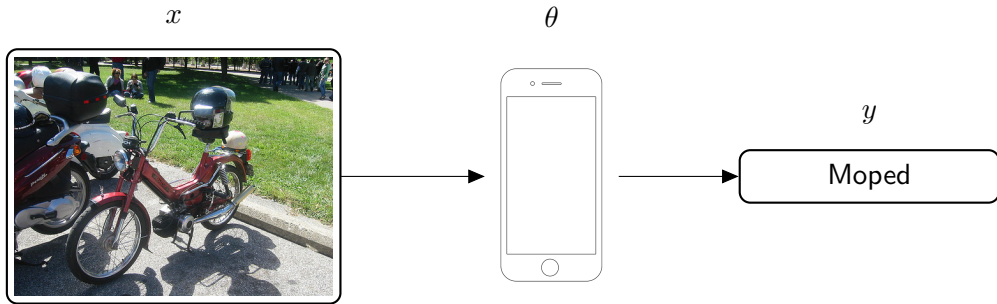


# Learning How to Say It: Language Generation and Deep Learning

Alexander M Rush

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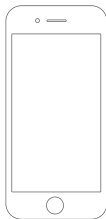


# Machine Learning for Text Generation: Translation

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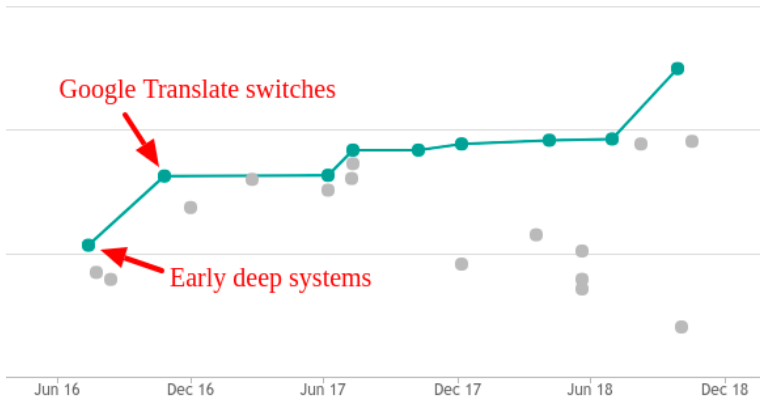
$\theta$



$y_{1:T}$

Yalitza Aparicio had just finished her teaching degree and didn't yet have a job when the Mexican director Alfonso Cuaron held a casting call in her home of Tlaxiaco, Oaxaca, for the lead role in his semi-autobiographical drama, "Roma."

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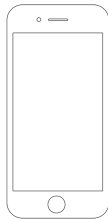


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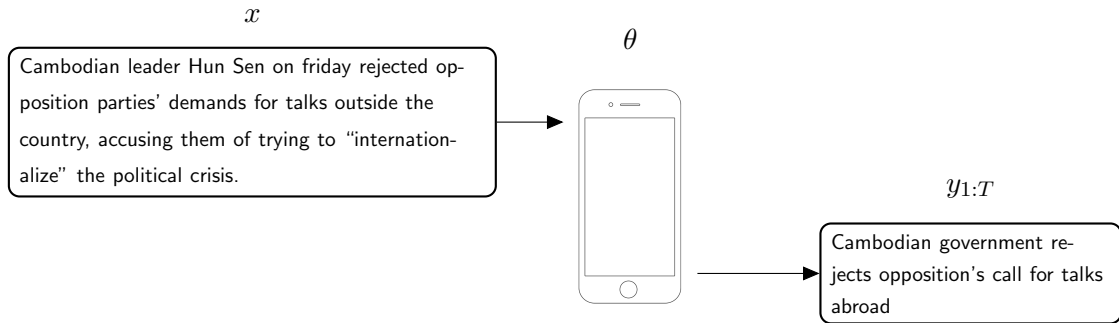
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Cambodian leader Hun Sen on friday rejected opposition parties' demands for talks outside the country, accusing them of trying to "internationalize" the political crisis.

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Sep 13, 3:17 PM EDT

## GERMANY IMPLEMENTS TEMPORARY BORDER CHECKS TO LIMIT MIGRANTS

BY GEIR MOULSON AND SHAWN POGATCHNIK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BERLIN (AP) -- Germany introduced temporary border controls Sunday to stem the tide of thousands of refugees streaming across its frontier, sending a clear message to its European partners that it needs more help with an influx that is straining its ability to cope.

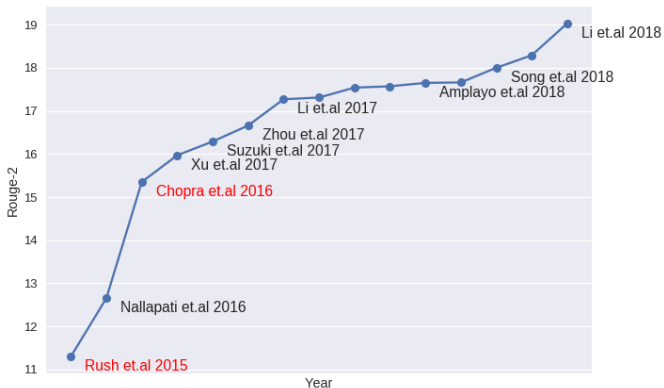
Germany is a preferred destination for many people fleeing Syria's civil war and other troubled nations in the migration crisis that has bitterly divided Europe. They have braved dangerous sea crossings in flimsy



AP Photo/Kay Nietfeld

- Several million headlines paired with article leads.
- Model for abstractive summarization / compression.

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Target: [Yalitza Aparicio had] just [finished her] teaching [degree] .

Predict: [Yalitza Aparicio had] recently [finished her] [degree].

# Talk about Data

(Wiseman et al. [2017a])

	WIN	LOSS	PTS	FG_PCT	RB	AS ...
TEAM						
Heat	11	12	103	49	47	27
Hawks	7	15	95	43	33	20

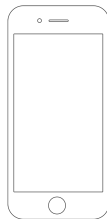
	AS	RB	PT	FG	FGA	CITY ...
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Tyler Johnson	5	2	27	8	16	Miami
Dwight Howard	11	17	23	9	11	Atlanta
Paul Millsap	2	9	21	8	12	Atlanta
Goran Dragic	4	2	21	8	17	Miami
Wayne Ellington	2	3	19	7	15	Miami
Dennis Schroder	7	4	17	8	15	Atlanta
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...						



The Atlanta Hawks defeated the Miami Heat, 103 - 95, at Philips Arena on Wednesday. Atlanta was in desperate need of a win and they were able to take care of a short-handed Miami team here. Defense was key for the Hawks, as they held the Heat to 42 percent shooting and forced them to commit 16 turnovers. Atlanta also dominated in the paint, winning the rebounding battle, 47 - 34, and outscoring them in the paint 58 - 26. The Hawks shot 49 percent from the field and assisted on 27 of their 43 made baskets. This was a near wire-to-wire win for the Hawks, as Miami held just one lead in the first five minutes. Miami ( 7 - 15 ) are as beat-up as anyone right now and it's taking a toll on the heavily used starters. Hassan Whiteside really struggled in this game, as he amassed eight points, 12 rebounds and one blocks on 4 - of - 12 shooting ...

# Talk about the Diagrams (Deng et al. [2016] w/ Bloomberg)

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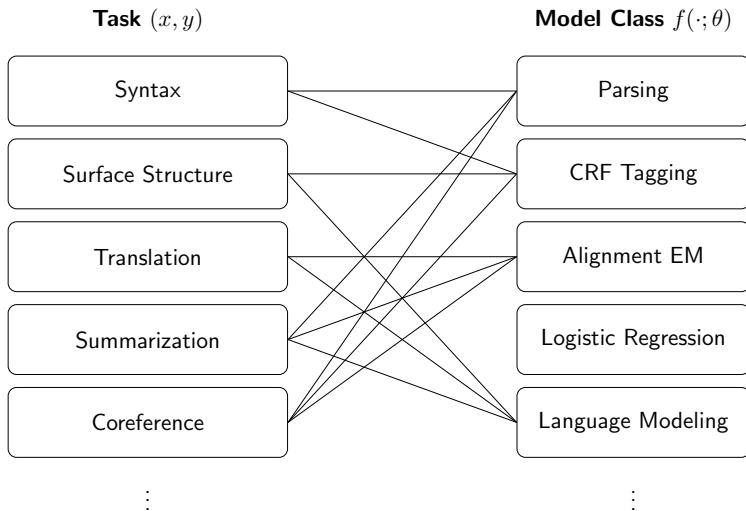
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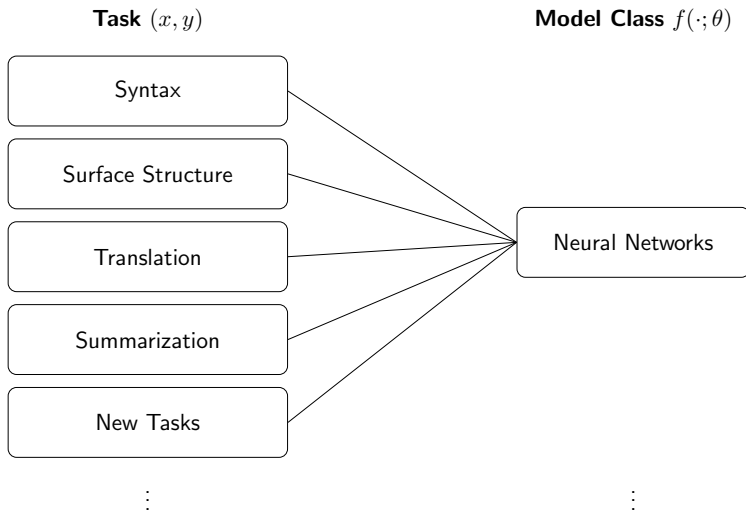
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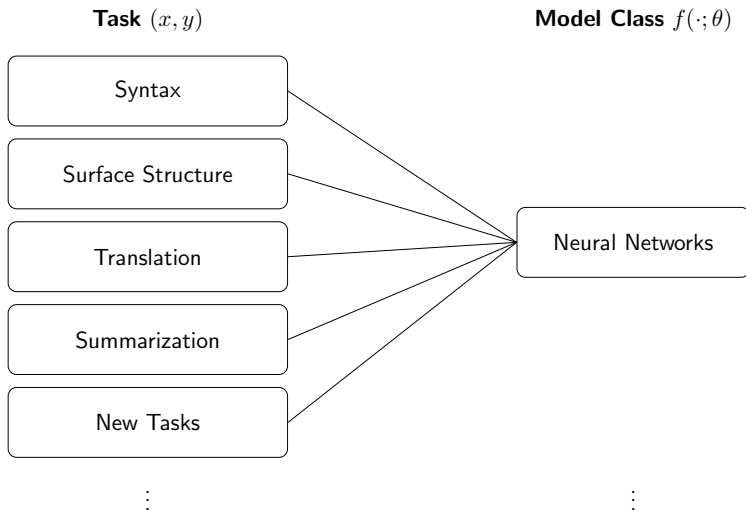
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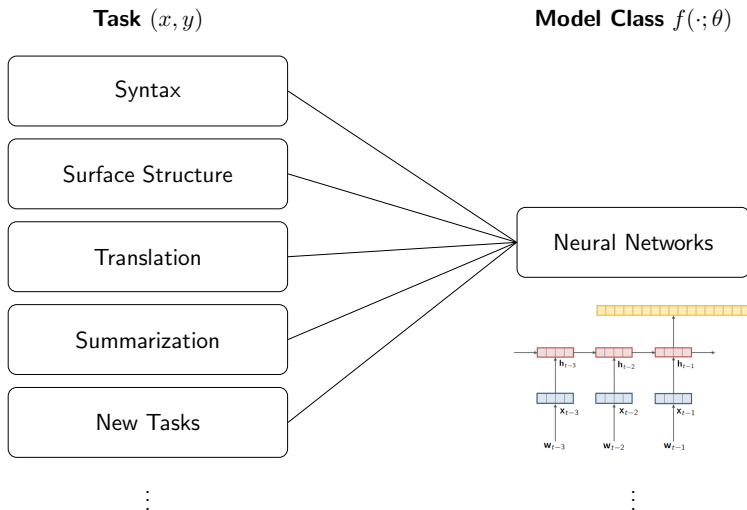
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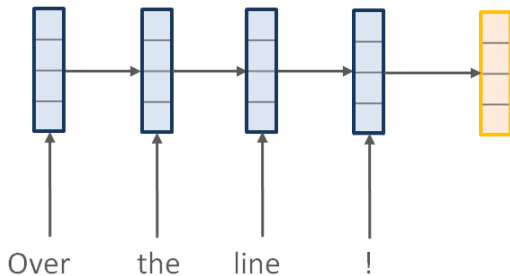
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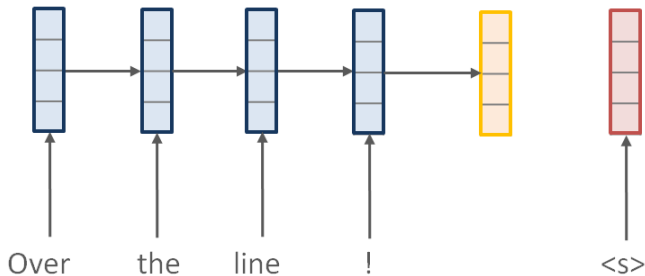
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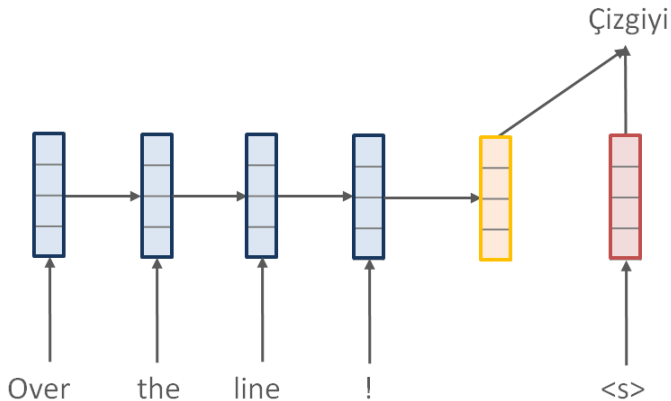
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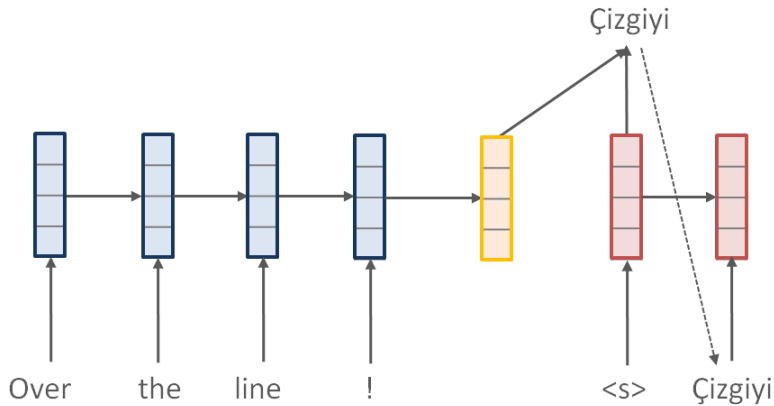
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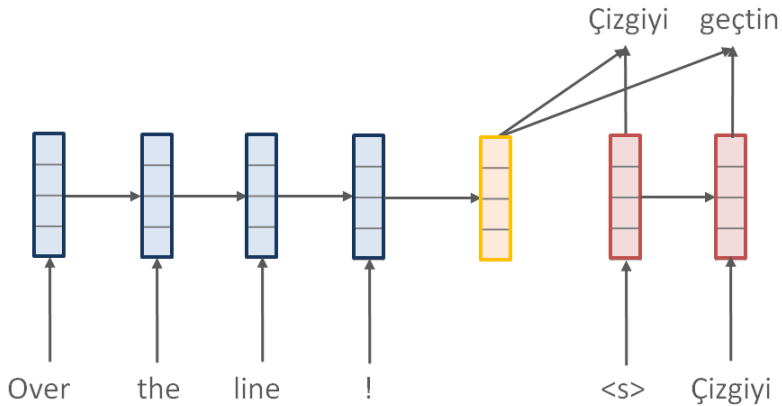
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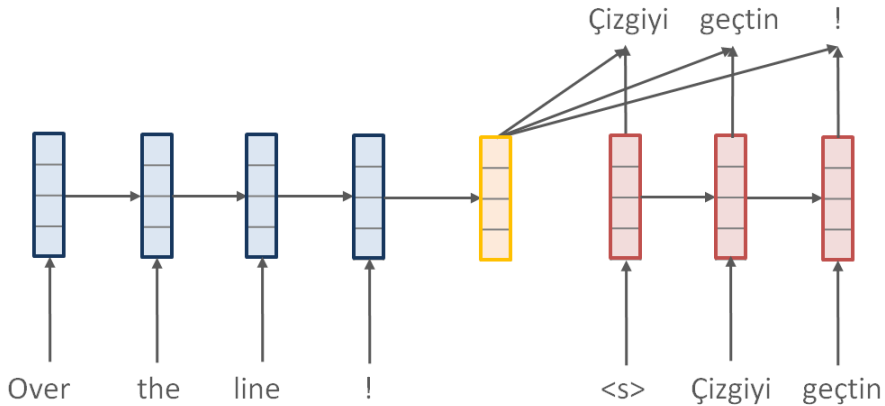
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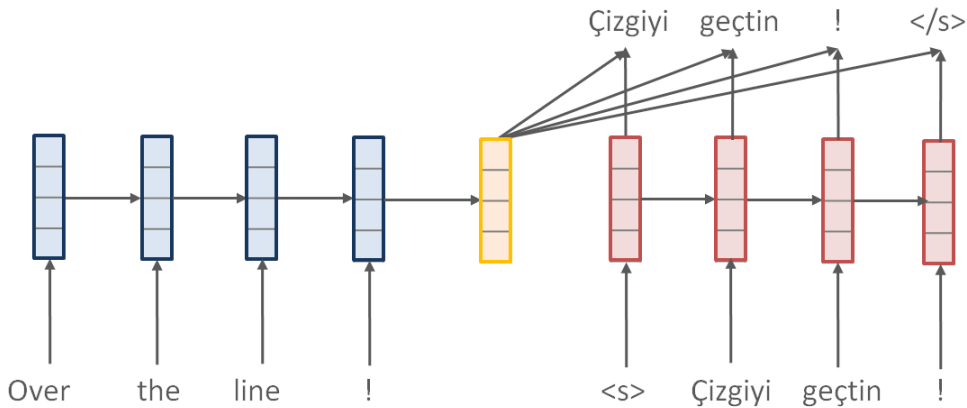
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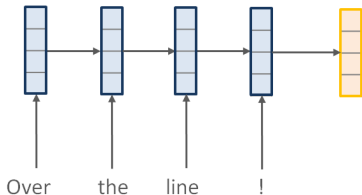
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# Decoder Example

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**Example** (Dyck-1 Language):

Well-balanced parenthesis language with random nesting-level indicators,

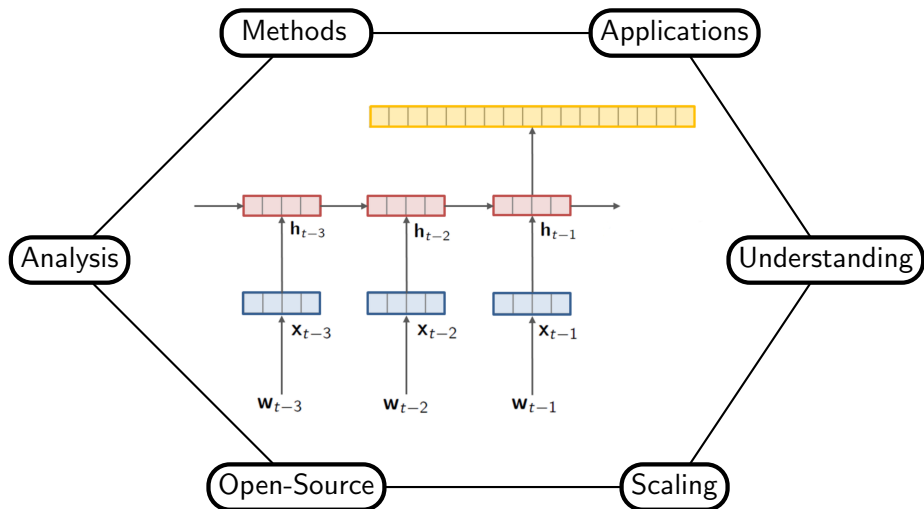
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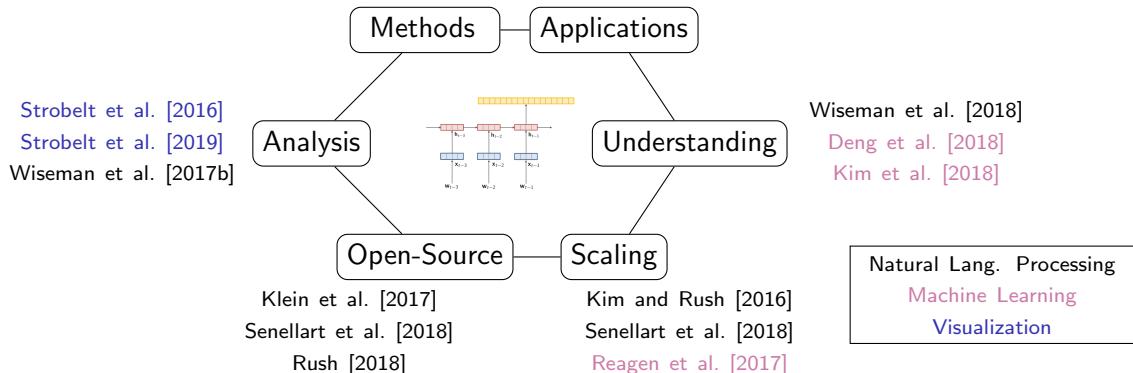
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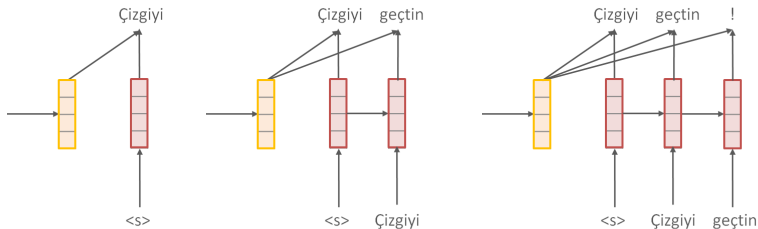
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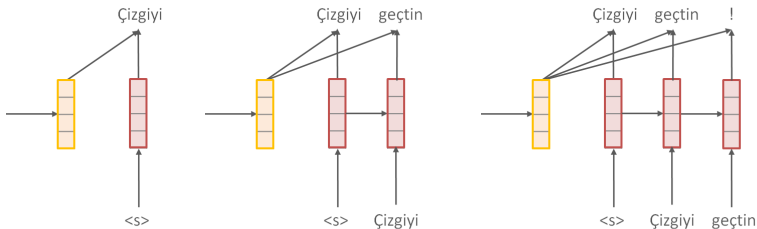
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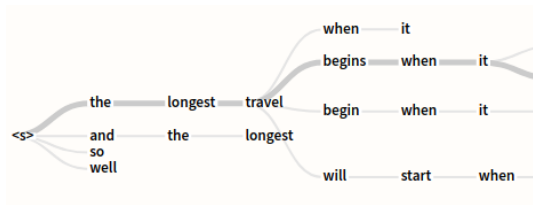
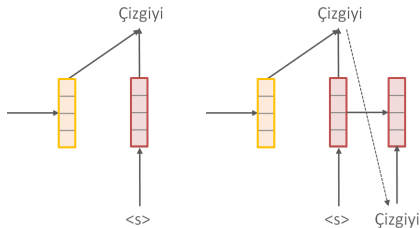


Objective is identical to **multiclass classification**.

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = - \sum_t \log p(y_t | y_{1:t-1}, x; \theta)$$

# Generating with RNN

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Requires predicting best sequence

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But, intractable to solve exactly  $O(\#\text{vocab}^T)$

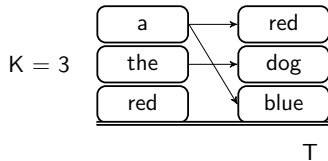
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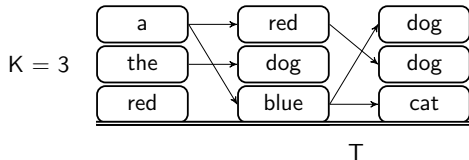
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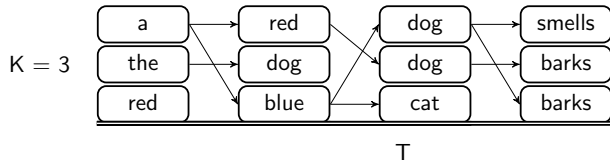
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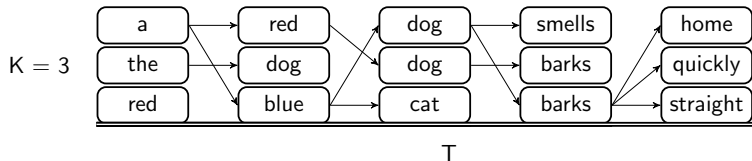
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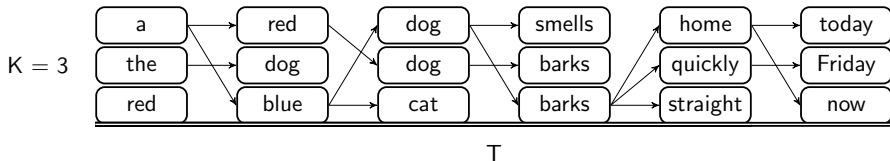


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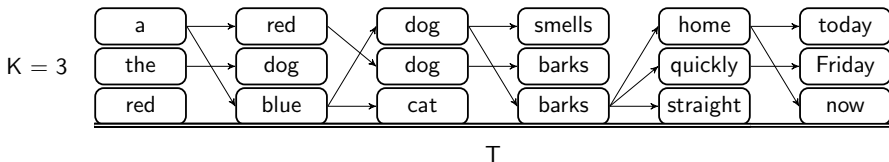




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# Sequence-to-Sequence Learning as Beam Search Optimization

Can we better model discrete sequences for text generation?

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Applications:

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- (2) Effective methods for downscaling translation models.

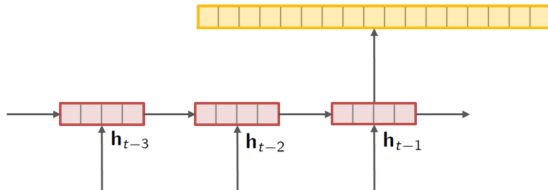
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## Proposed Fix:

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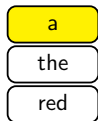
### Proposed Fix: Use a structured SVM-style training loss:

- Margin between ground truth sequence  $\hat{y}$  and worst predicted sequence  $y^{(K)}$

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \sum_t \Delta(\hat{y}_{1:t}, y_{1:t}^K) \left[ 1 - f(\hat{y}_t, y_{1:t-1}^{(g)}, x) + f(y_t^{(K)}, y_{1:t-1}^{(K)}, x) \right]$$

- Slack-rescaled, margin-based sequence criterion, at each time step.
- $\Delta$  is a task specific sequence cost, i.e. ngram-mismatch

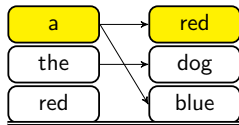
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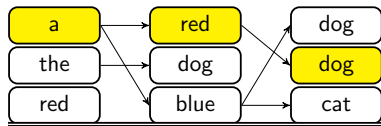
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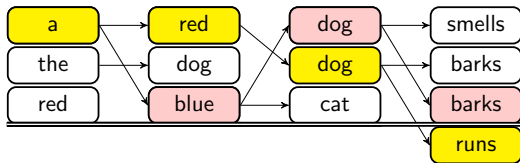
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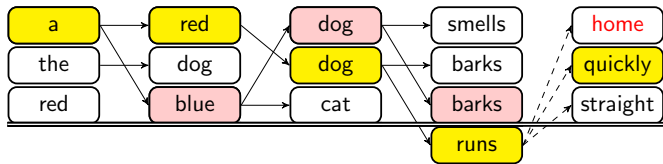
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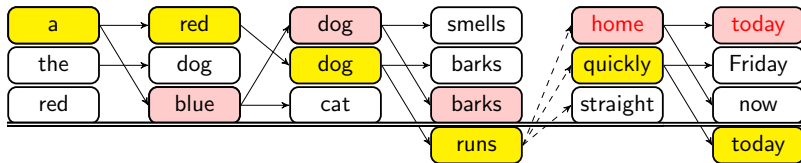
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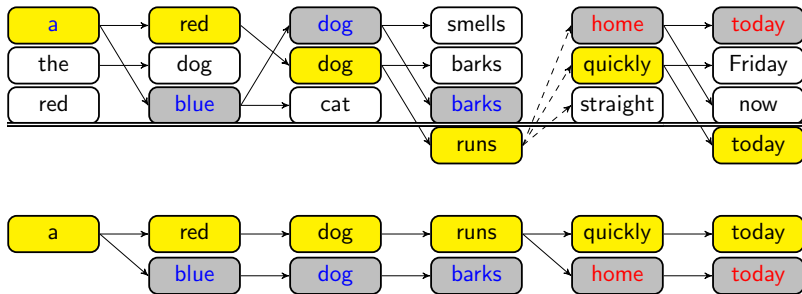


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# Parameter Updates: Structured Backpropagation



- Margin gradients are sparse, only violating sequences get updates.
- Backprop as efficient as standard models, avoid exponential sum.

# Results

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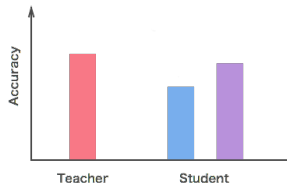
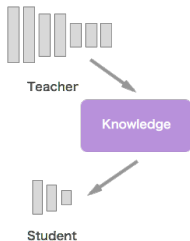
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Machine Translation (BLEU)			
seq2seq	22.53	24.03	23.87
BSO, SB- $\Delta$	<b>23.83</b>	<b>26.36</b>	<b>25.48</b>
XENT	17.74	$\leq 20.5$	$\leq 20.5$
DAD	20.12	$\leq 22.5$	$\leq 23.0$
MIXER	20.73	-	$\leq 22.0$

Goal: Shrink the size of text generation models.

- **Knowledge Distillation:** Train a *student* model to learn from a *teacher* model ???.

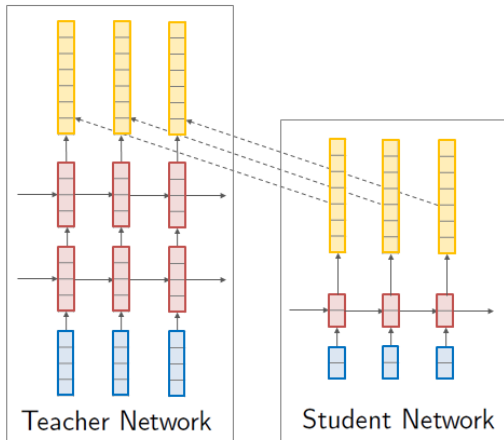


# Multiclass Style: Word-Level Knowledge Distillation

Teacher model:  $q(y_t | y_{1:t-1}, x; \theta_T)$

Cross-entropy between teacher and student

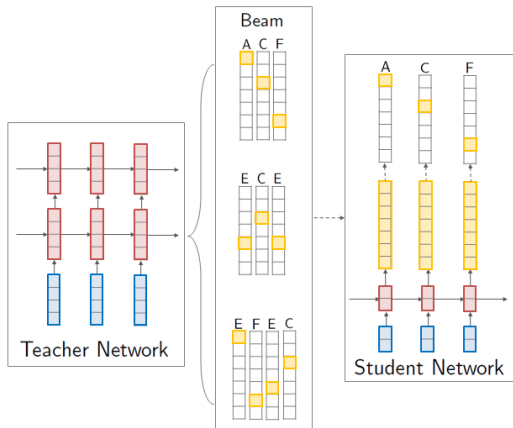
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{WORD-KD}}(\theta) = - \sum_t \sum_v q(y_t = v | \hat{y}_{1:t-1}, x; \theta_T) \times \log p(y_t = v | \hat{y}_{1:t-1}, x; \theta)$$



# Sequence-Level Knowledge Distillation

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{SEQ-KD}}(\theta) &= -\log p(y_{1:T}^* | x; \theta) \\ &\approx -\sum_{v_{1:T}} q(y_{1:T} = v_{1:T} | x; \theta_T) \log p(y_{1:T} | x; \theta)\end{aligned}$$

Extension:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{SEQ-INTER}}(\theta)$  select sample based on ground truth  $\hat{y}$  as well.



## Results: WMT English $\rightarrow$ German Translation

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Student	14.7	—	17.6	—
Word-KD	15.4	+0.7	17.7	+0.1

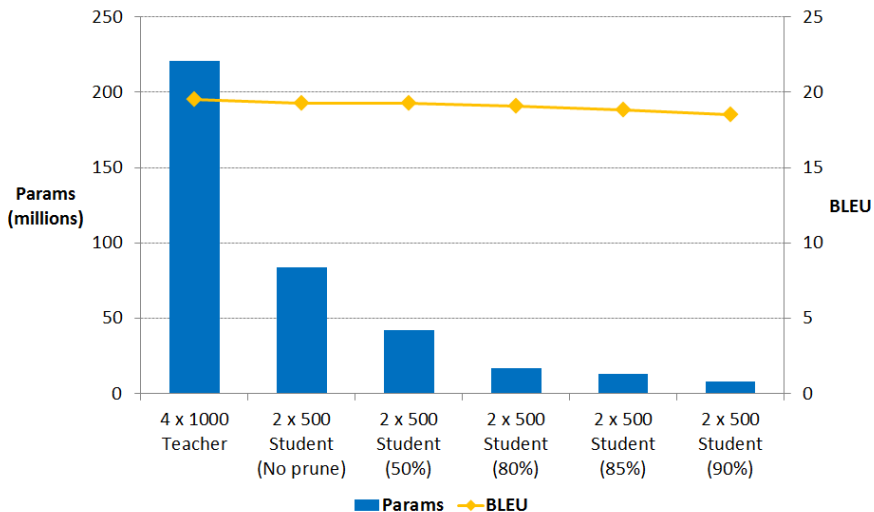
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# Combining Knowledge Distillation and Pruning



# Application

# Talk Outline

- ① Background: Core Model and Implementation
- ② Work 1: Rethinking Model Training (*Beam Search Optimization*)
- ③ Work 2: Rethinking Generation (*Learning Neural Templates*)
- ④ Future Directions

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- $y$  is our text output sequence
- $z$  is a collection of latent variables
- $\theta$  are the neural network parameters.



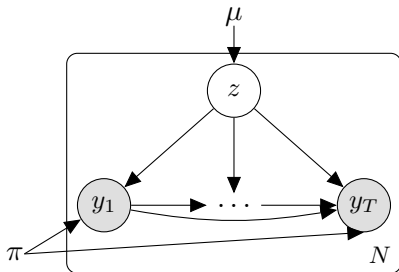
## Example Model: Mixture of RNNs

Generative process:

- 1 Draw cluster  $z \in \{1, \dots, K\}$  from a Categorical.
- 2 Draw words  $y_{1:T}$  from RNN with parameters  $\pi_z$ .

$$p(y, z|x; \theta) = \mu_z \times \text{RNNLM}(y_{1:T}; \pi_z)$$

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We'll be interested in the *posterior* over latent variables  $z$ :

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How?

- Sum out over all discrete choices (e.g. run  $K$  RNNs).
- Variational inference based methods.

# Application: Summary with Copy-Attention

Let  $z$  be a binary latent variable.

- If  $z = 0$ , let the model generate a new word.
- If  $z = 1$ , let the model copy a word from the source.

Inference:

## Pointer-generator model + coverage summary

francis saili has signed a two-year deal to join munster later this year .  
the 24-year-old was part of the new zealand under-20 side that won the junior world championship in italy in 2011 .  
saili 's signature is something of a coup for munster and head coach anthony foley .

(See et al, 2017)

# Latent Variable Models for Generation

**Ongoing Work:** Can we develop other discrete latent-variable models for generation?

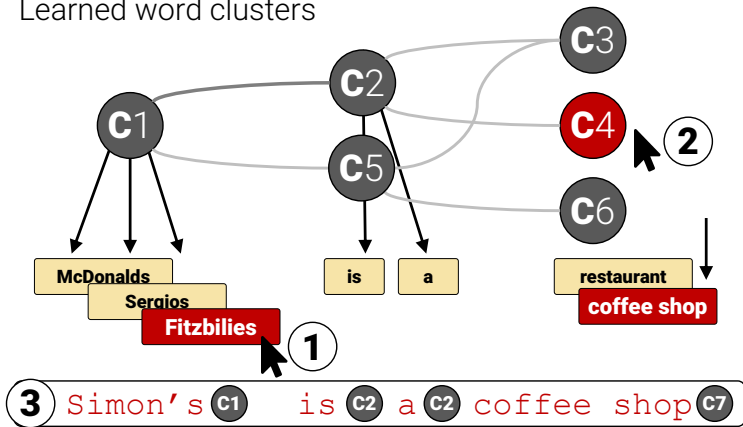
**Goals:**

- Model Control
- Model Debugging
- Model Uncertainty

# Example: Learning Neural Templates for Generation



Learned word clusters



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<b>Meaning Representation</b>	name[The Golden Palace], eatType[coffee shop], food[Fast food], priceRange[cheap], customer rating[5 out of 5], area[riverside]
<b>Reference</b>	A coffee shop located on the riverside called The Golden Palace, has a 5 out of 5 customer rating. Its price range are fairly cheap for its excellent Fast food.

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# Standard Approach

## Step 1: Encode the Source

Fitzbillies,type[coffee shop],price[< £20],food[Chinese],rate[3/5],area[city centre]

## Step 2: Generate with RNN Decoder

Fitzbillies is a coffee shop providing Chinese food in the moderate price range . It is located in the city centre . Its customer rating is 3 out of 5.



# Issues

- ① Interpretable in its content selection?

*Decisions may come from anywhere in the source  $x$ .*

- ② Controllable in terms of style and form?

*Rely on a learned system to determine content.*

# Neural Template Generation Approach

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_____	is an	_____	serving	_____	cuisine	_____	moderate	price range
...	expensive	_____	offering	_____	foods	_____	less than average	...
	...		...		...		...	
	located in the				Its customer rating is			
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	...				...			

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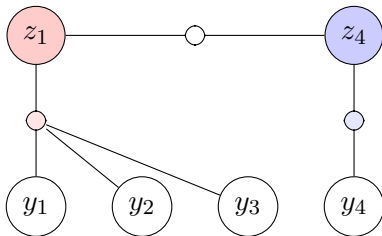
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# Technical Methodology: Hidden Semi-Markov Model

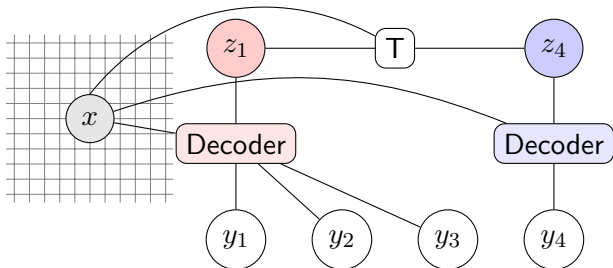
- HMM: discrete latent states with single emissions (e.g. words).
- HSMM: discrete latent states produce multiple emissions (e.g. phrases).
- Parameterized with *transition*, *emission*, and *length* distributions.





# Technical Methodology: Neural Hidden Semi-Markov Model

- Employ HSMM as a conditional latent variable language model,  $p(y_1, \dots, y_T, z \mid x)$ .
- Transition Distribution: NN between states.
- Emission Distribution: Seq2Seq+Attention, one per state  $k$ .



## Technical Methodology: Learning Templates

- Fit model by maximizing log-marginal likelihood on training data.

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- Compute argmax segmentations to find common *templates*.

$$z^{(j)} = \arg \max_z p(y^{(j)}, z \mid x^{(j)}; \theta)$$

*[The Wrestlers]<sub>185</sub> [is a]<sub>29</sub> [coffee shop]<sub>164</sub> [that serves]<sub>188</sub> [English]<sub>139</sub> [food]<sub>18</sub> [in the]<sub>32</sub> [moderate]<sub>125</sub> [price range]<sub>180</sub> [.]<sub>90</sub>*

# Neural Template

The \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ providing \_\_\_\_\_ food \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ price \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ is an expensive \_\_\_\_\_ serving offering \_\_\_\_\_ cuisine foods moderate less than average price range  
... ..  
located in the  
It is located near near \_\_\_\_\_ . Their customer rating is  
... near Customers have rated it \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ .  
... ..

## E2E Challenge

	BLEU	NIST
Test		
Substitution	43.78	6.88
Neural Template	56.72	7.63
Full Neural Model	65.93	8.59

	BLEU	NIST	ROUGE-4
Conditional KN-LM	19.8	5.19	10.7
NNLM (field)	33.4	7.52	23.9
NNLM (field & word)	34.7	7.98	25.8
Neural Template	33.8	7.51	28.2

# Issue 1: Interpretability

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kenny warren

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**name:** kenny warren, **birth date:** 1 april 1946,

**birth name:** kenneth warren deutscher, **birth place:** brooklyn, new york,

**occupation:** ventriloquist, comedian, author,

**notable work:** book - the revival of ventriloquism in america

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1. kenny warren deutscher ( april 1, 1946 ) is an american ventriloquist.
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  3. kenny warren deutscher ( april 1, 1946 ) is an american  
ventriloquist, best known for his the revival of ventriloquism.
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## Issue 2: Controllability

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### **The Golden Palace**

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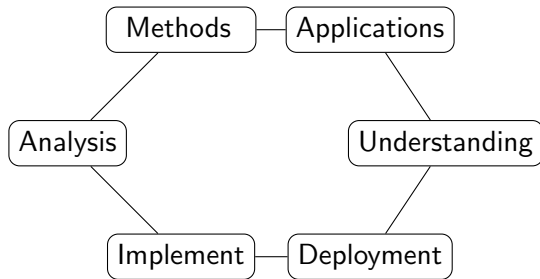
name[The Golden Palace], type[coffee shop], food[Chinese],  
priceRange[cheap] custRating[5 out of 5], area[city centre],

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1. The Golden Palace is a coffee shop located in the city centre.
  2. In the city centre is a cheap Chinese coffee shop called The Golden Palace.
  3. The Golden Palace that serves Chinese food in the cheap price range. It is located in the city centre. Its customer rating is 5 out of 5.
  4. The Golden Palace is a Chinese coffee shop.
  5. The Golden Palace is a Chinese coffee shop with a customer rating of 5 out of 5.
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# Future Work

NLP post deep learning





# Long-Form Generation with Explicit Reasoning

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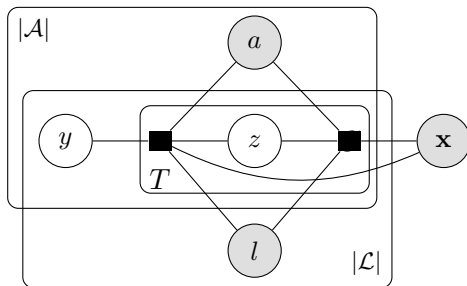
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Hawks	11	12	103	49	47	27
Heat	7	15	95	43	34	20

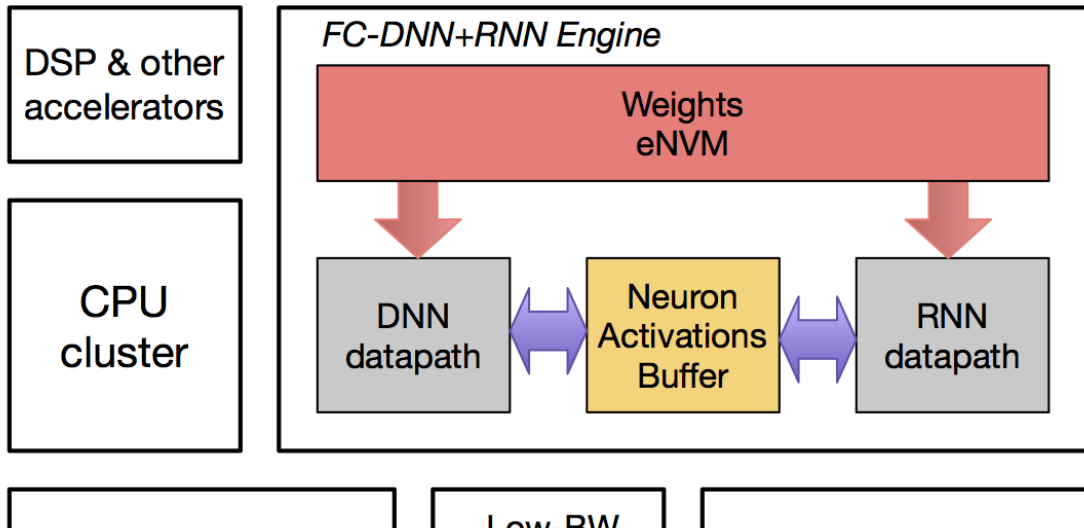
PLAYER	AS	RB	PT	FG	FGA	CITY ...
Tyler Johnson	5	2	27	8	16	Miami
Dwight Howard	11	17	23	9	11	Atlanta
Paul Millsap	2	9	21	8	12	Atlanta
Goran Dragic	4	2	21	8	17	Miami
Wayne Ellington	2	3	19	7	15	Miami
Dennis Schroder	7	4	17	8	15	Atlanta
Rodney McGruder	5	5	11	3	8	Miami
Hasan Whiteside	2	12	8	4	12	Miami
...						

[The Atlanta Hawks defeated the Miami Heat, 103 - 95, at Philips Arena on Wednesday.] [Defense was key for the Hawks, as they held the Heat to 42 percent shooting and forced them to commit 16 turnovers. Atlanta also dominated in the paint, winning the rebounding battle, 47 - 34, and outscoring them in the paint 58 - 26. The Hawks shot 49 percent from the field and assisted on 27 of their 43 made baskets.] [Miami ( 7 - 15 ) are as beat-up as anyone right now. Hassan Whiteside really struggled in this game, as he amassed eight points, 12 rebounds and one blocks on 4 - of - 12 shooting ...



# Learning Neural Reasoning-Based Models

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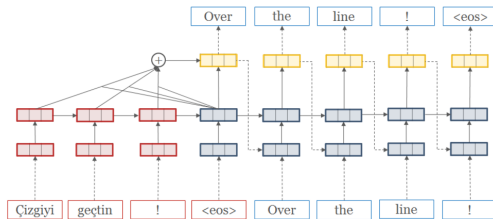
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