

Lec 12: Sequence to Sequence Model with RNN



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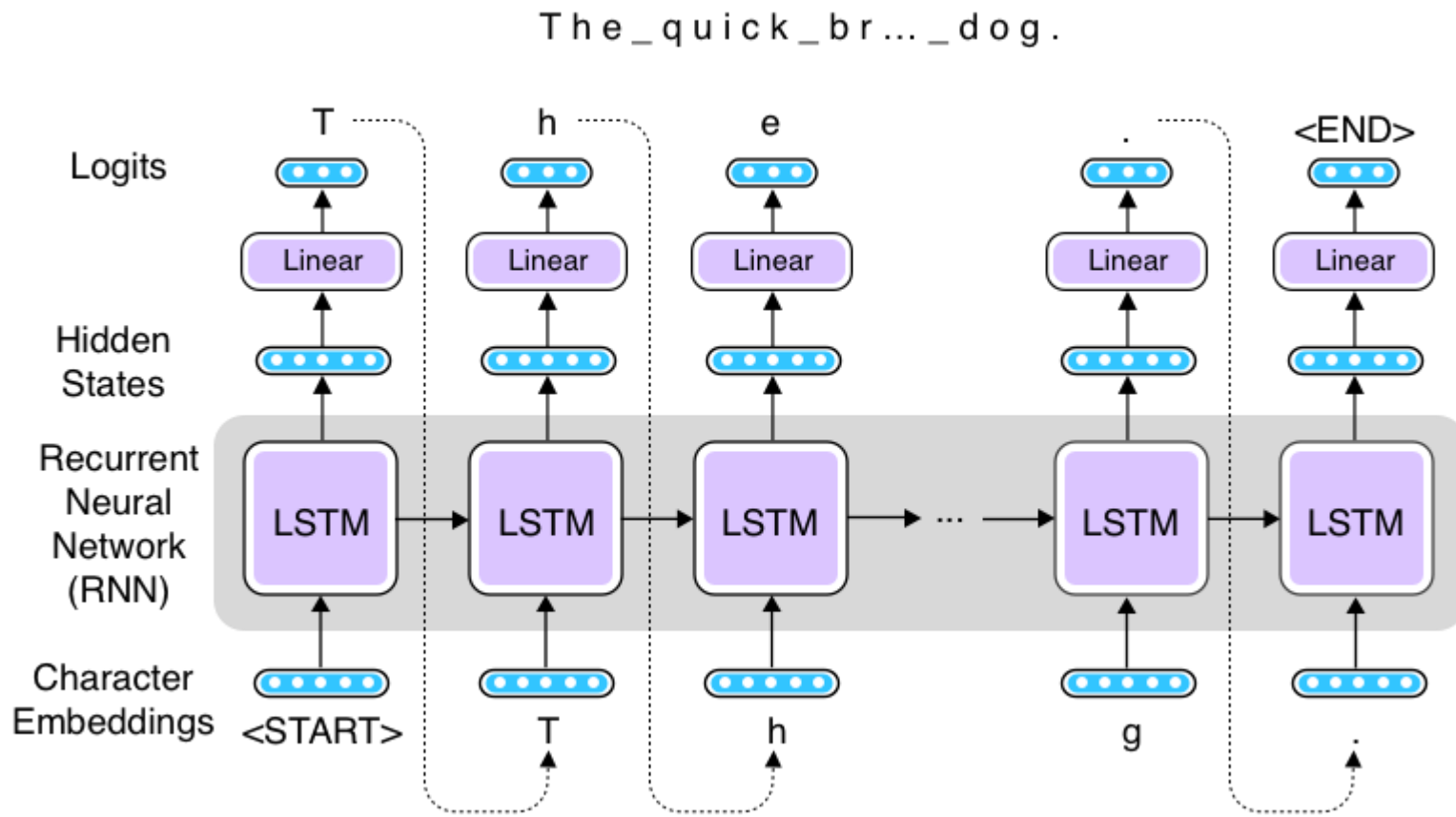


- ❖ Introduction to Recurrent Neural Network
 - ✓ Simple RNN, BPTT, Memory Cell
 - ✓ Code: Implementing an RNN with Keras
- ❖ Introduction to Long-Short Term Memory
 - ✓ Cell state, LSTM, and GRU, and Applications
 - ✓ A Visual Guide to Recurrent Layers in Keras
 - ✓ Code: A simple LSTM layers
- ❖ Text generation with RNN
 - ✓ Tokenizer, Character-Level Language model
 - ✓ Code: Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
- ❖ **Sequence to Sequence Learning model with RNN**
 - ✓ Introduction to Seq2Seq and Attention model
 - ✓ Code: Character-Level Neural Machine Translation

Review the last class:

Character-level language model

Last time: Text Generation using RNN

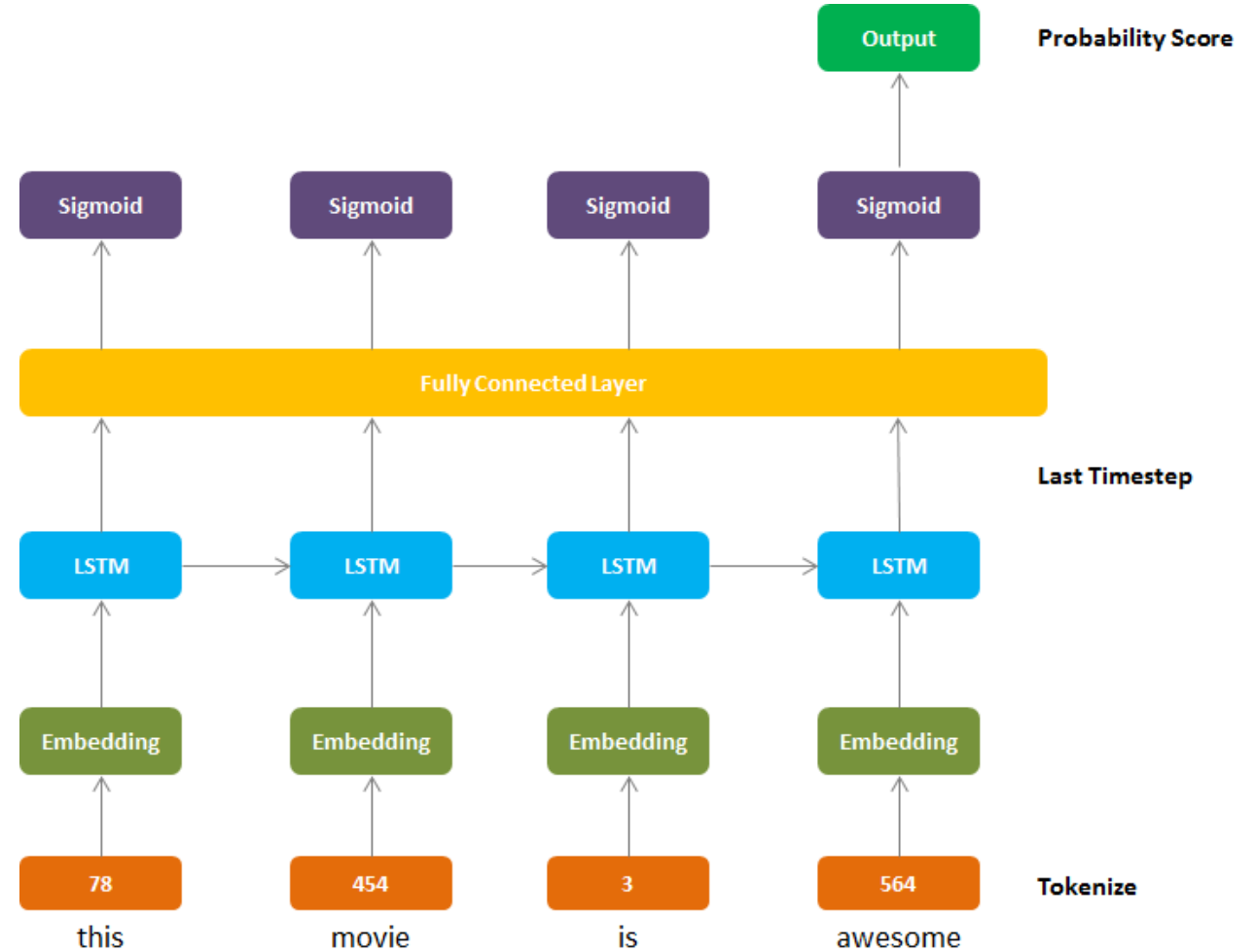


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Last time: Text Classification Model (IMDB Dataset)



	review	sentiment
0	One of the other reviewers has mentioned that ...	positive
1	A wonderful little production. The filming tec...	positive
2	I thought this was a wonderful way to spend ti...	positive
3	Basically there's a family where a little boy ...	negative
4	Petter Mattei's "Love in the Time of Money" is...	positive
5	Probably my all-time favorite movie, a story o...	positive
6	I sure would like to see a resurrection of a u...	positive
7	This show was an amazing, fresh & innovative i...	negative
8	Encouraged by the positive comments about this...	negative



“Modeling word probabilities is really difficult”

	Supervised learning	Sequence modelling
Data	$\{x, y\}_i$	$\{x\}_i$
Model	$y \approx f_\theta(x)$	$p(x) \approx f_\theta(x)$
Loss	$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N l(f_\theta(x_i), y_i)$	$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log p(f_\theta(x_i))$
Optimisation	$\theta^* = \arg \min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)$	$\theta^* = \arg \max_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta)$

Simplest model:

Assume independence of words

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{t=1}^T p(x_t)$$

$p(\text{"modeling"}) \times p(\text{"word"}) \times p(\text{"probabilities"}) \times p(\text{"is"}) \times p(\text{"really"}) \times p(\text{"difficult"})$

Word	$p(x_t)$
the	0.049
be	0.028
...	...
really	0.0005
...	...

More realistic model:

Assume conditional dependence of words

$$p(x_T) = p(x_T | x_1, \dots, x_{T-1})$$

Modeling word probabilities is really

?

Context

Target

$p(x|\text{context})$

difficult

0.01

hard

0.009

fun

0.005

...

...

easy

0.00001

The chain rule

Computing the joint $p(\mathbf{x})$ from conditionals

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{t=1}^T p(x_t | x_1, \dots, x_{t-1})$$

Modeling

Modeling **word**

Modeling word **probabilities**

Modeling word probabilities **is**

Modeling word probabilities is **really**

Modeling word probabilities is really **difficult**

$$p(x_1)$$

$$p(x_2 | x_1)$$

$$p(x_3 | x_2, x_1)$$

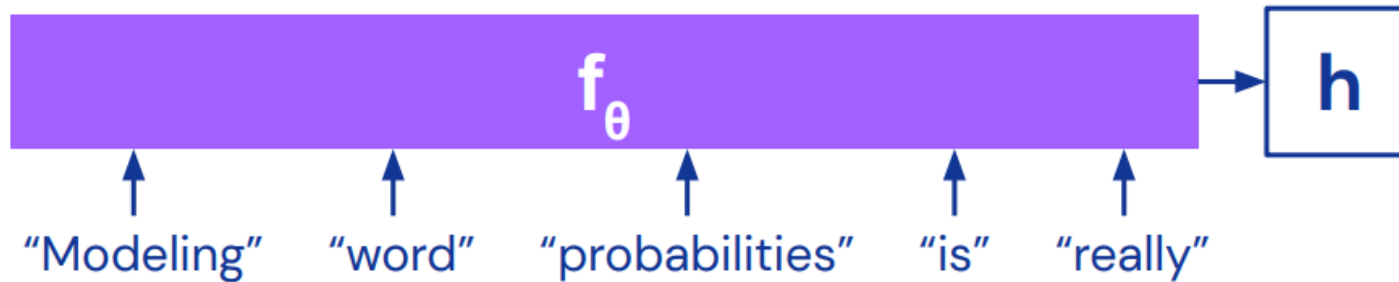
$$p(x_4 | x_3, x_2, x_1)$$

$$p(x_5 | x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1)$$

$$p(x_6 | x_5, x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1)$$

Learning to model word probabilities

✓ Vectorising the context



f_θ summarises the context in h such that:

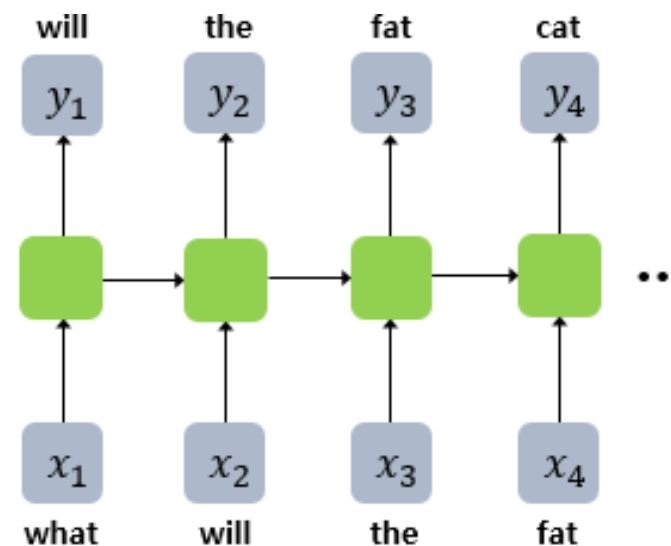
$$p(x_t | x_1, \dots, x_{t-1}) \approx p(x_t | h)$$

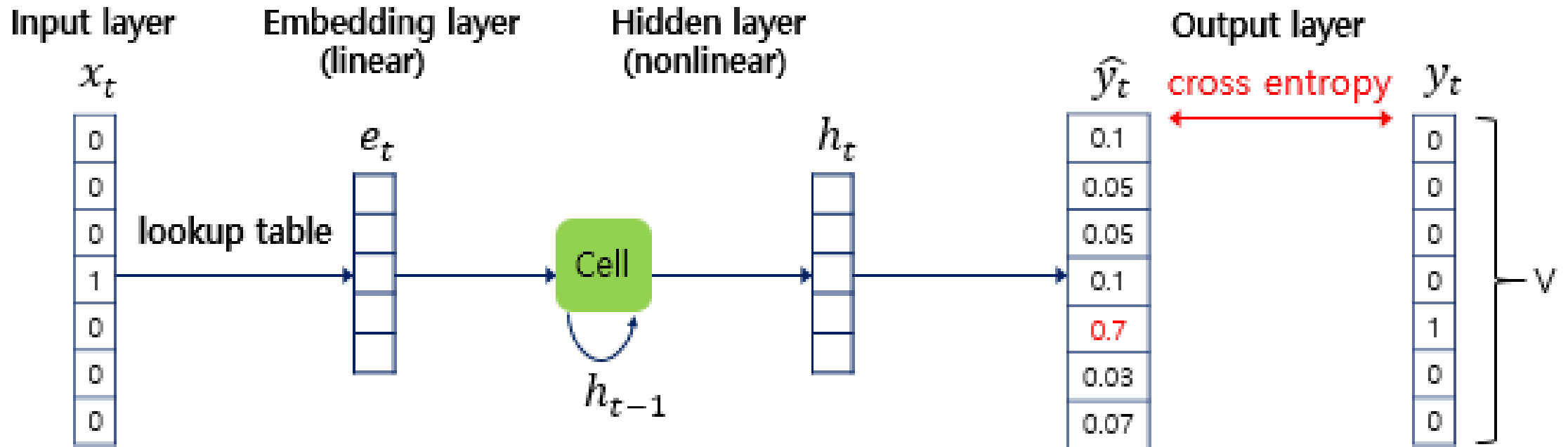
Desirable properties for f_θ :

- Order matters
- Variable length
- Learnable (differentiable)

- ❖ Persistent state “h” stores information from the context observed so far
- ❖ (Example)
 - ✓ Predicts the next word from a word sequence

“What will the fat cat sit on”

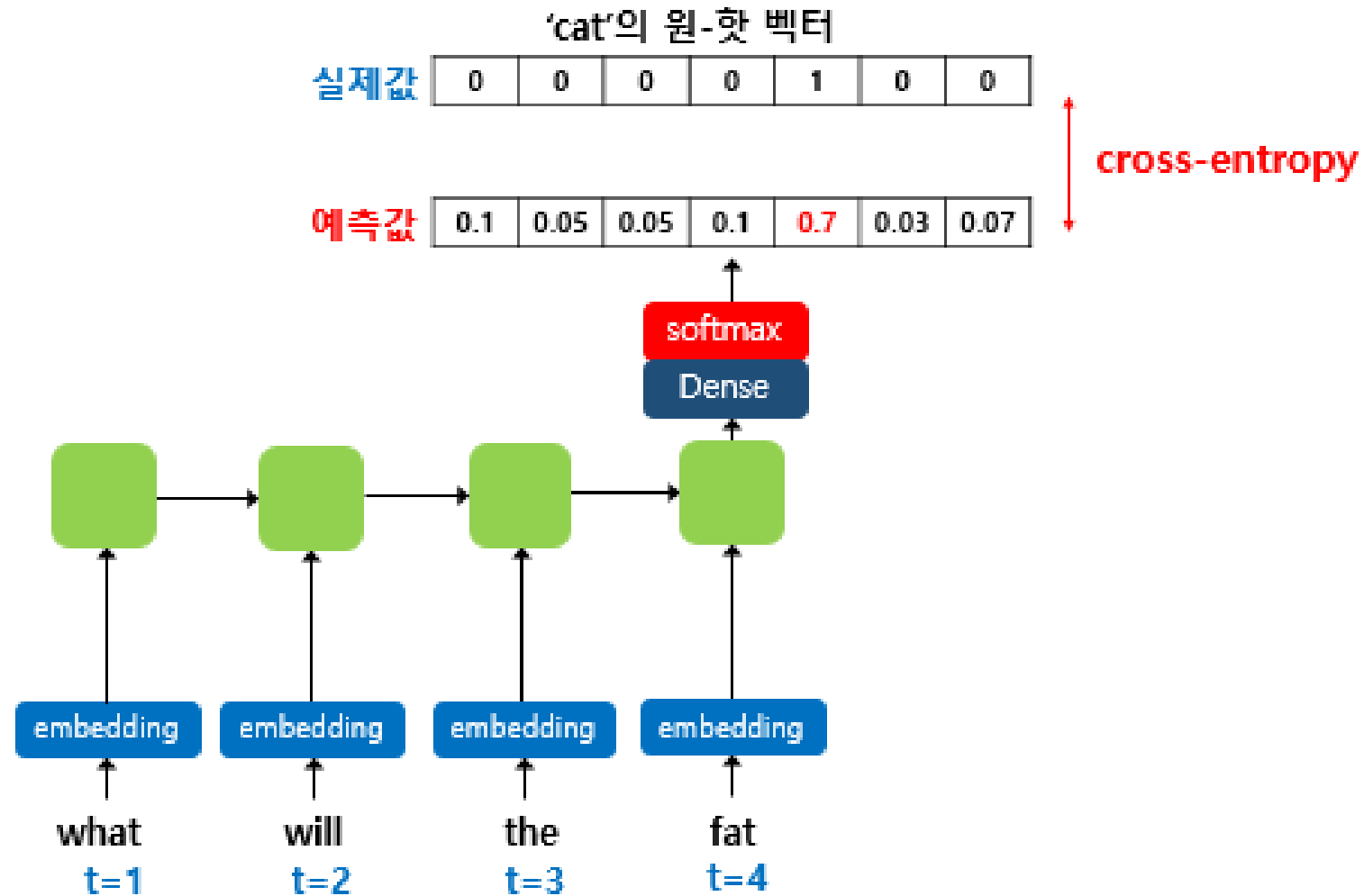




$$\mathbf{h}_t = \tanh(\mathbf{W}_h \mathbf{h}_{t-1} + \mathbf{W}_x \mathbf{x}_t)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{t+1}) = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{W}_y \mathbf{h}_t)$$

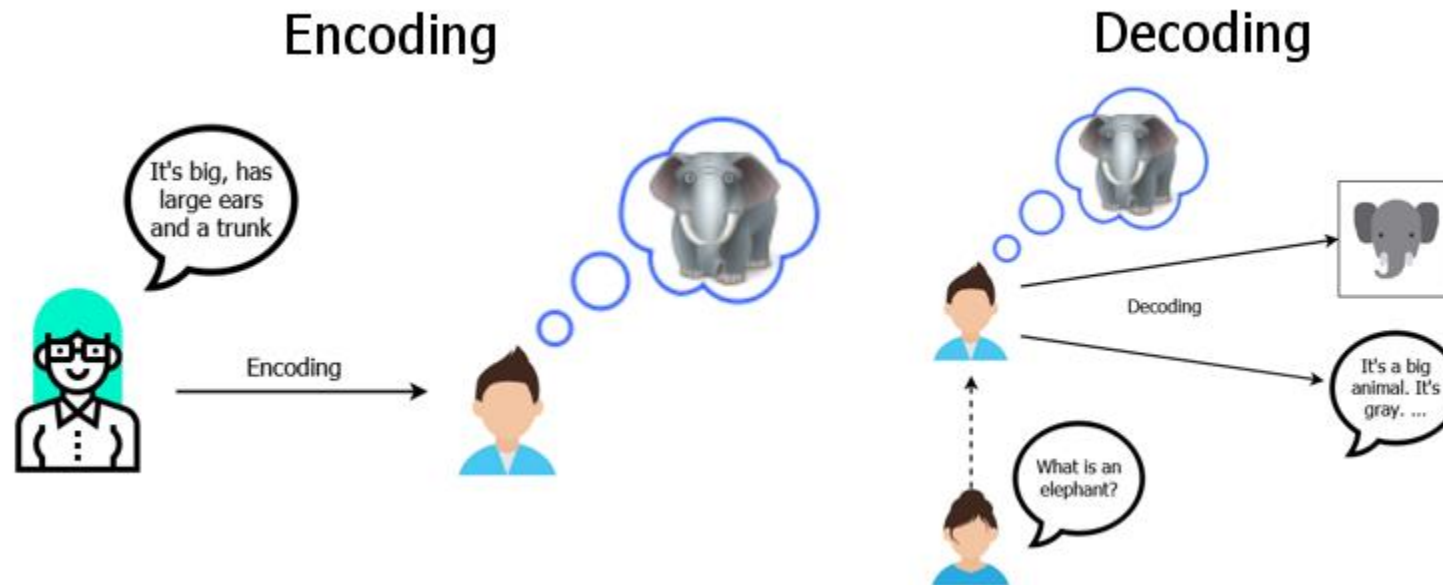
$$\mathcal{L}_\theta(\mathbf{y}, \hat{\mathbf{y}})_t = -\mathbf{y}_t \log \hat{\mathbf{y}}_t$$



Sequence to Sequence (Seq2Seq) Neural Machine Translation

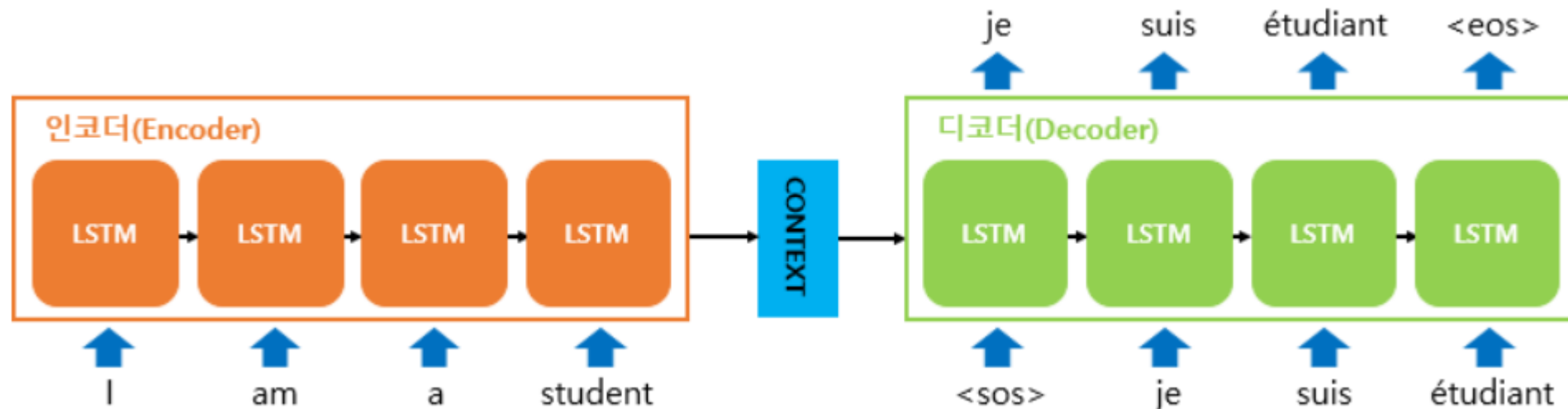
❖ Seq2Seq

- ✓ The encoding process is analogous to a teacher explaining to you what an elephant looks like and you create a mental image of that.
- ✓ The decoding process takes place if a friend of yours ask what an elephant looks like.



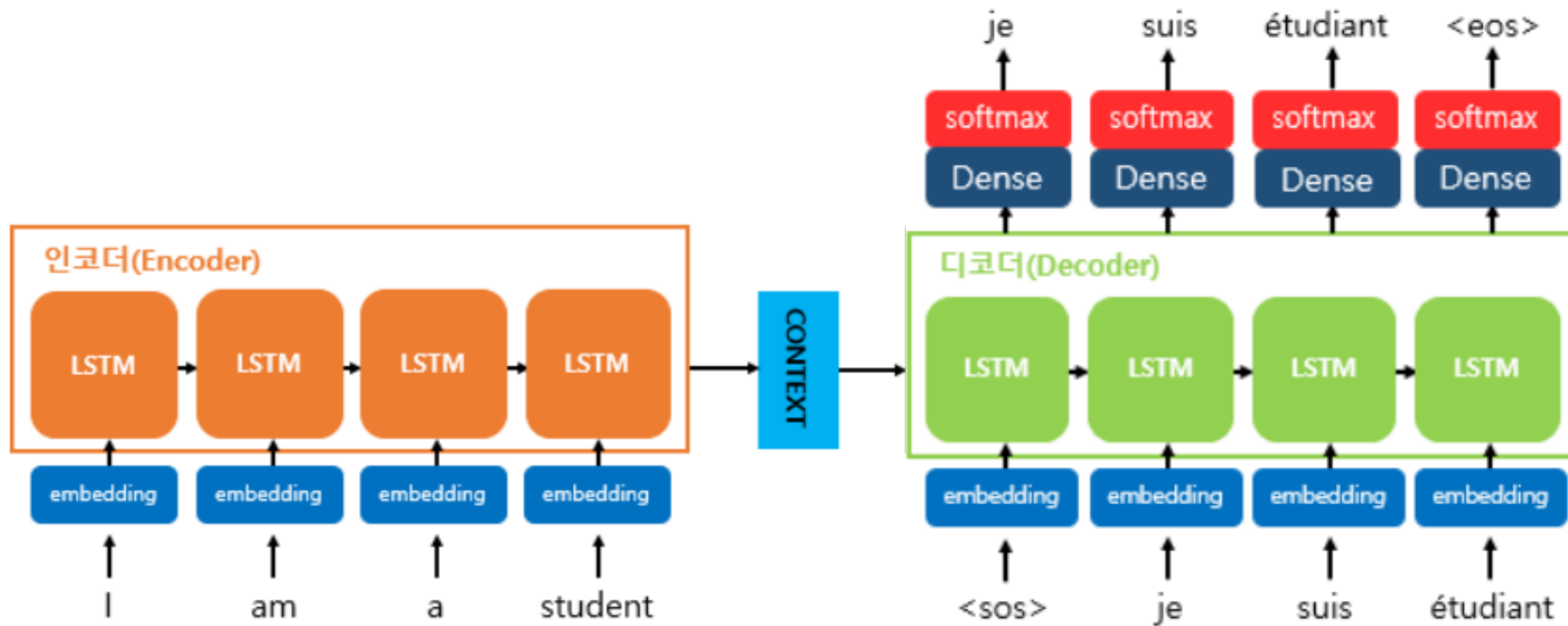
❖ Sequence-to-sequence (Seq2Seq) for machine translation

- ✓ Encoder is “forced” to send only **a single vector**, regardless of the length of our input
- ✓ The last **hidden state** becomes the content vector that is sent to the decoder



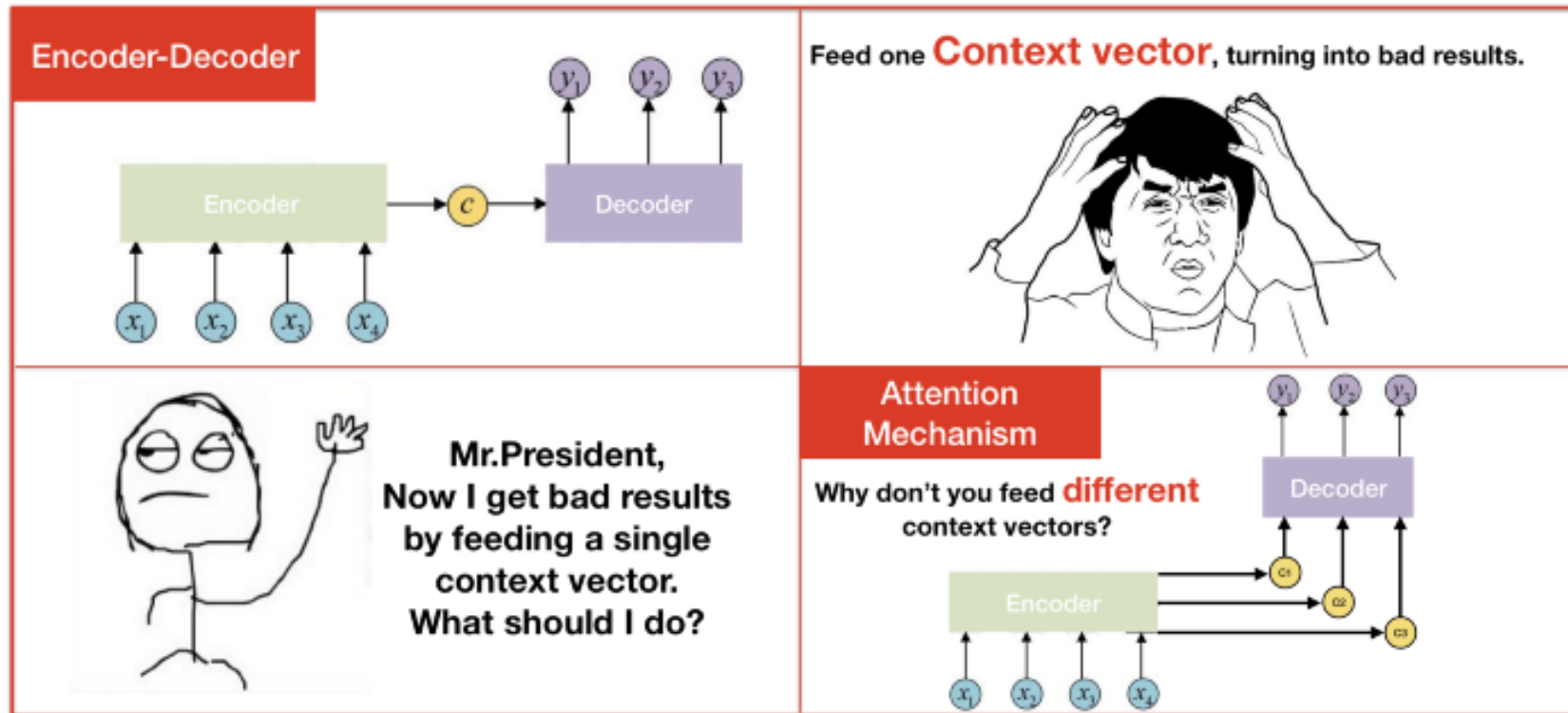
❖ Decoder is essentially an RNNLM (RNN Language Model)

- ✓ Teacher Forcing Learning
- ✓ Softmax for next prediction word



❖ A single Context vector

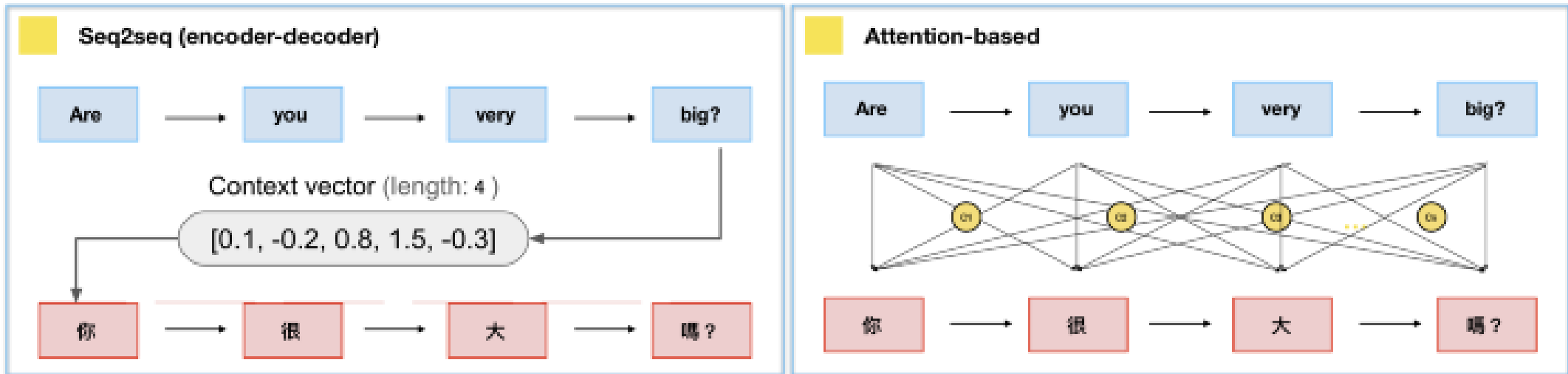
- ✓ compress all the information into one fixed-size vector results in information loss.



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Attention in RNNs

- ❖ The difference between Seq2seq model and attention model is the calculation of context vector



❖ Attention mechanism proposed by Bahdanau et al. (2015)

- ✓ We compute a "context vector" (weighted average) of the states which correspond to some notion of "importance"

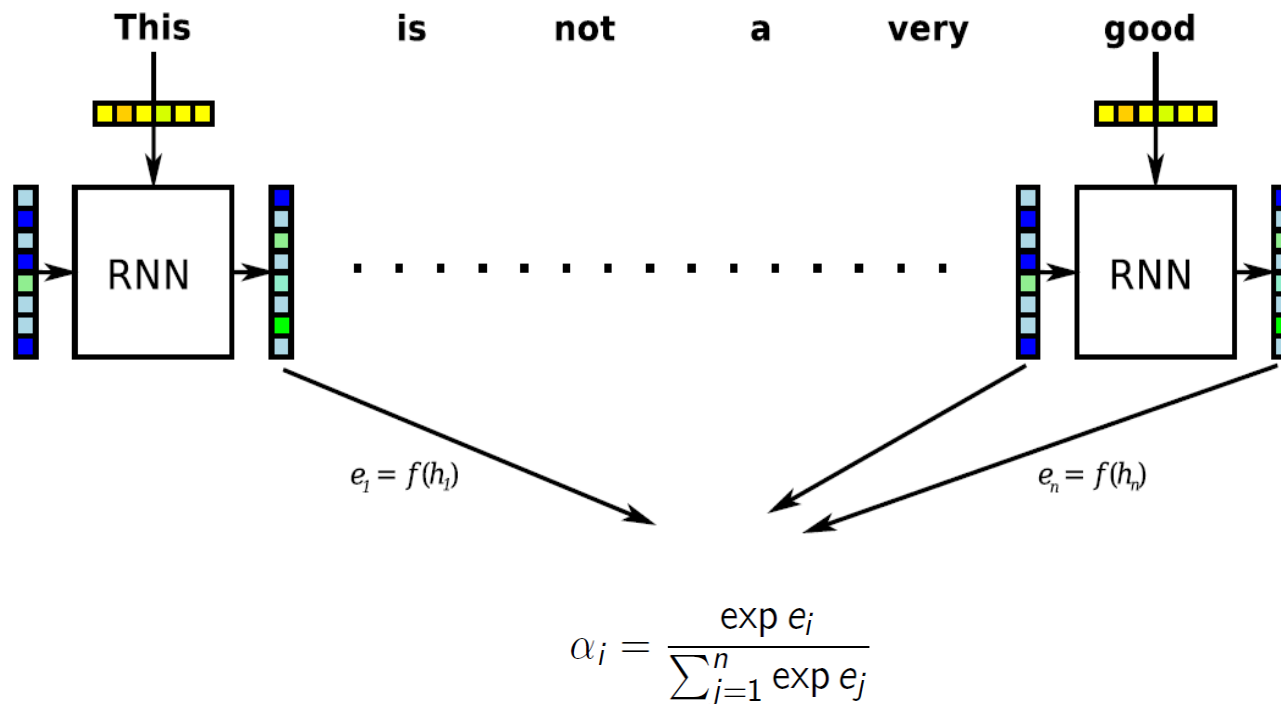
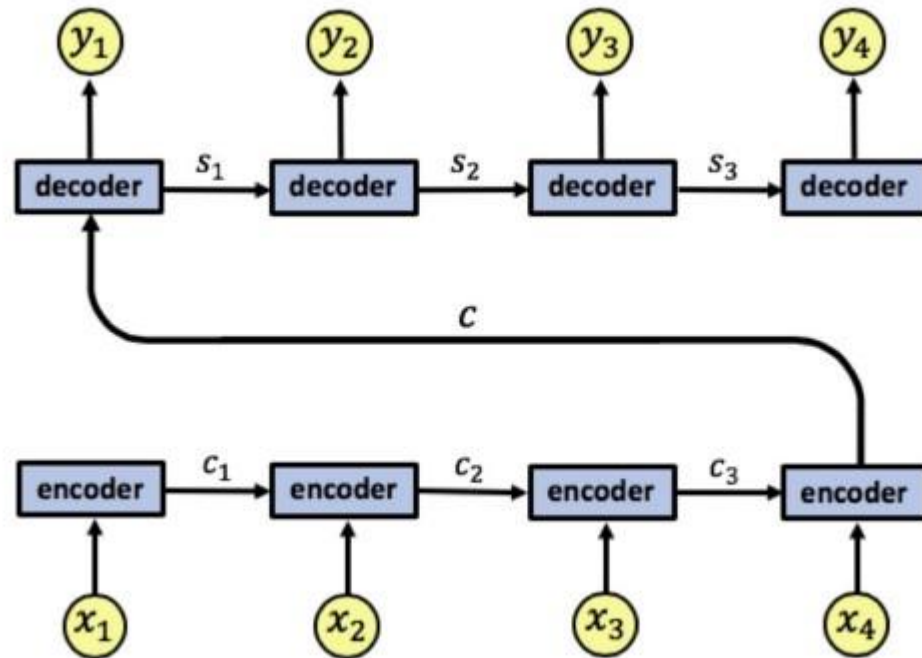


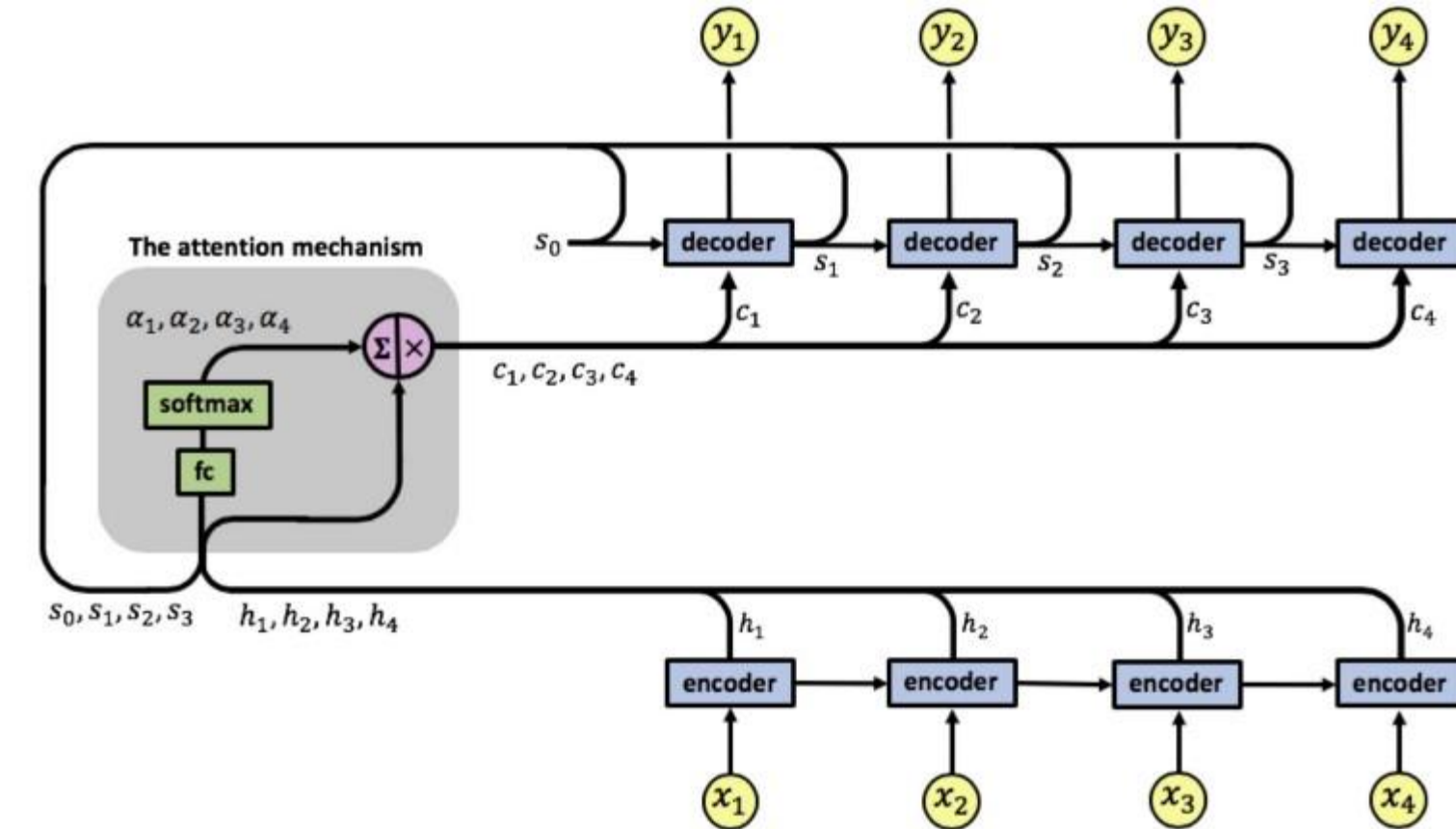
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❖ An RNN encoder-decoder architecture

- ✓ we take an architecture with 4 time steps for simplicity
- ✓ a single context vector, c , which can cause information loss



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- ❖ “importance score”,

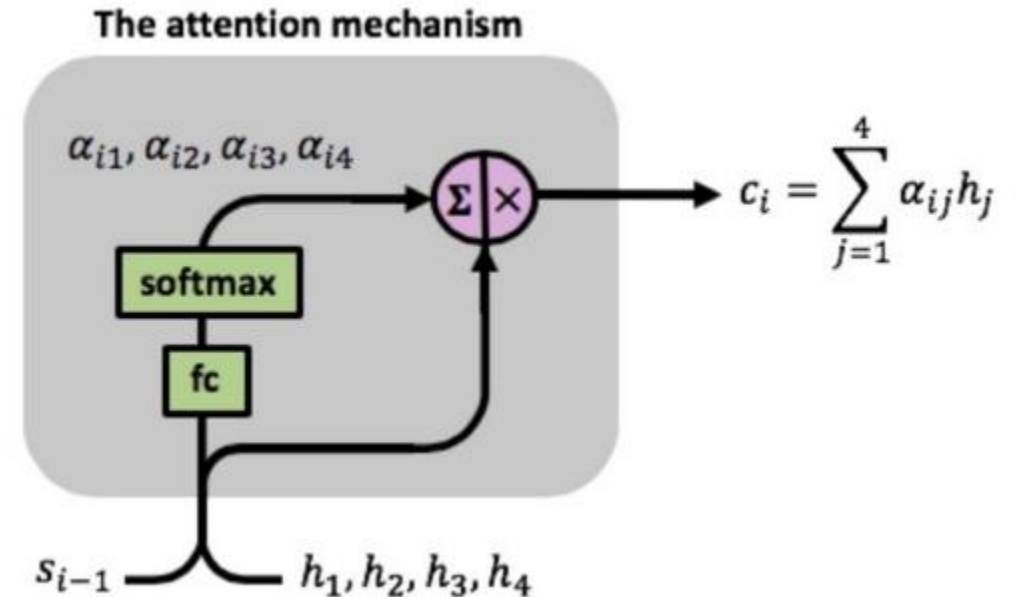
$$e_{ij} = \text{fc}(s_{i-1}, h_j)$$

- ❖ “attention weight”,

$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp(e_{ij})}{\sum_{k=1} \exp(e_{ik})}$$

- ❖ “context vectors”,

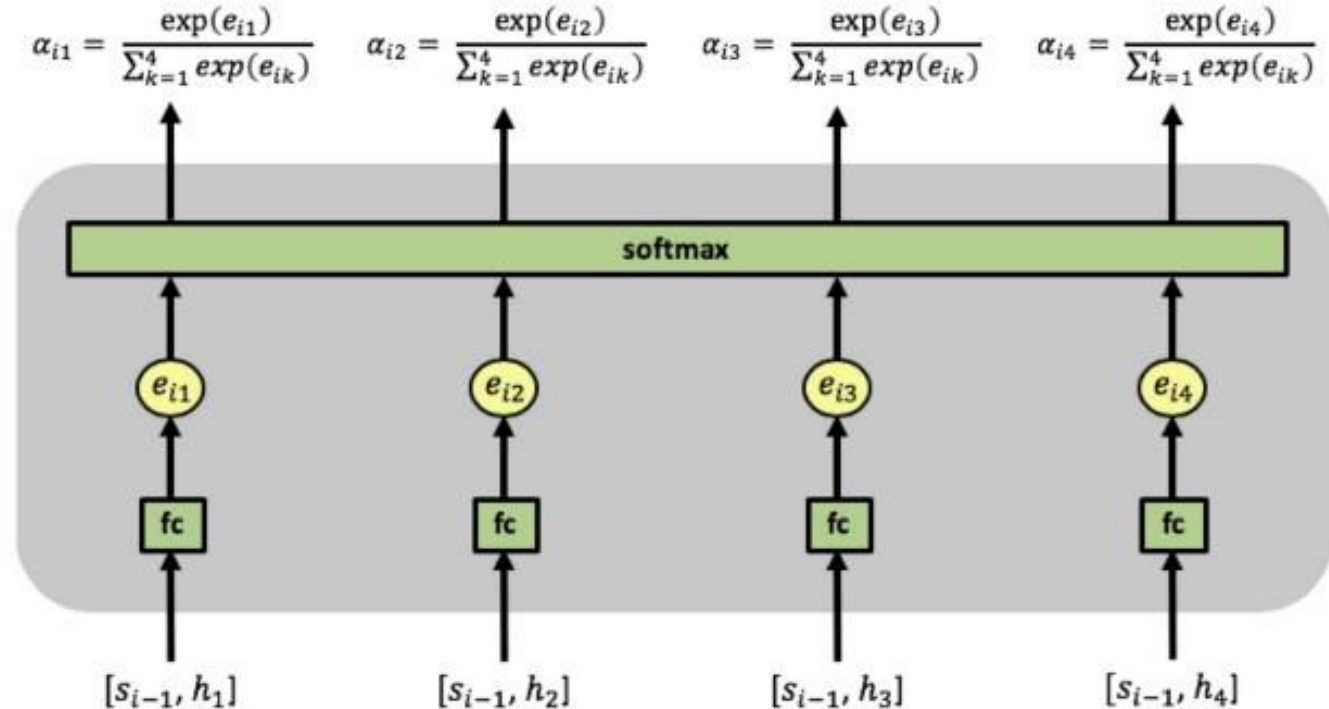
$$c_i = \sum_j \alpha_{ij} h_j$$



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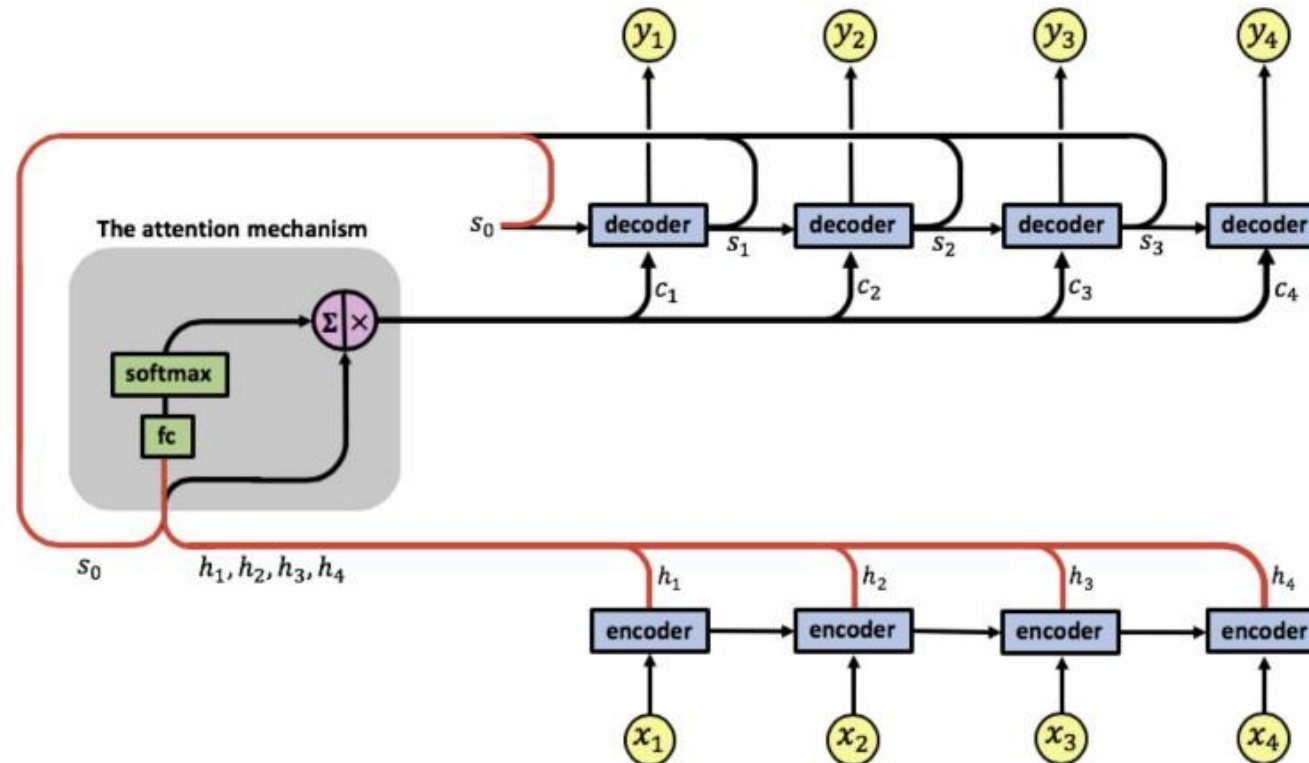
$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp(e_{ij})}{\sum_{k=1}^4 \exp(e_{ik})}$$

$$e_{ij} = \text{fc}(s_{i-1}, h_j)$$



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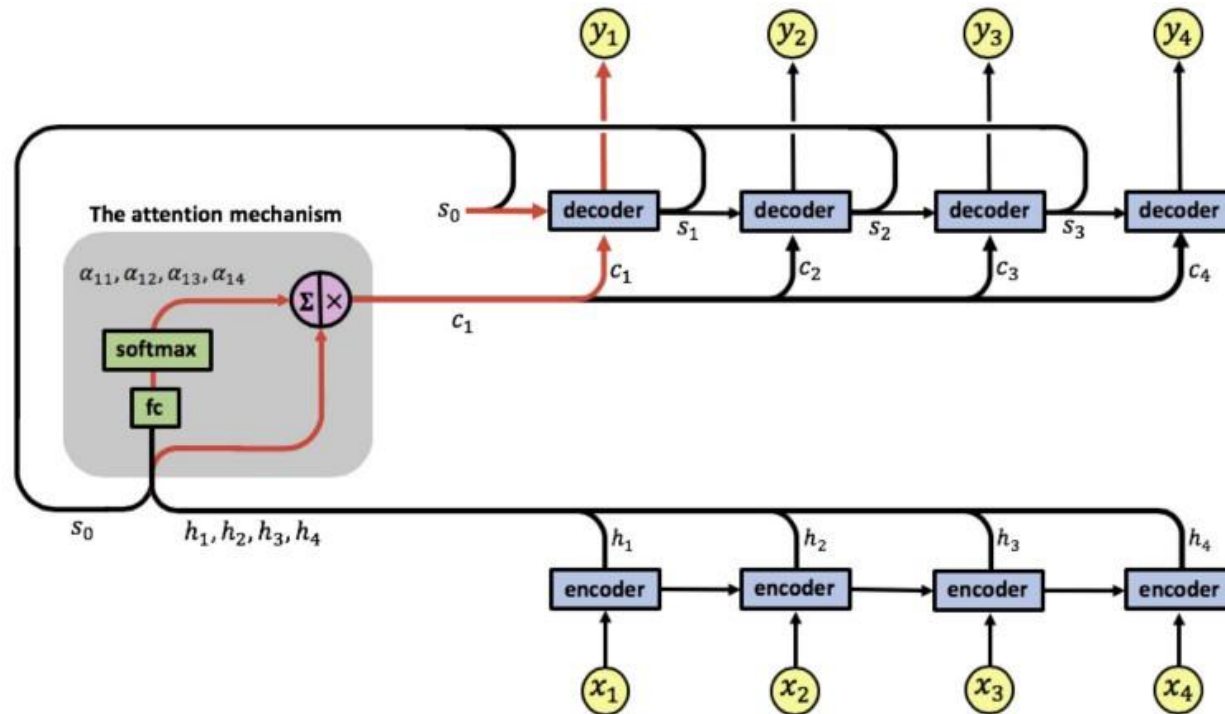
- ❖ the decoder is first involved by inputting its initial state vector s_0
 - ✓ we have the first attention input sequence,
 - $[s_0, h_1], [s_0, h_2], [s_0, h_3], [s_0, h_4]$



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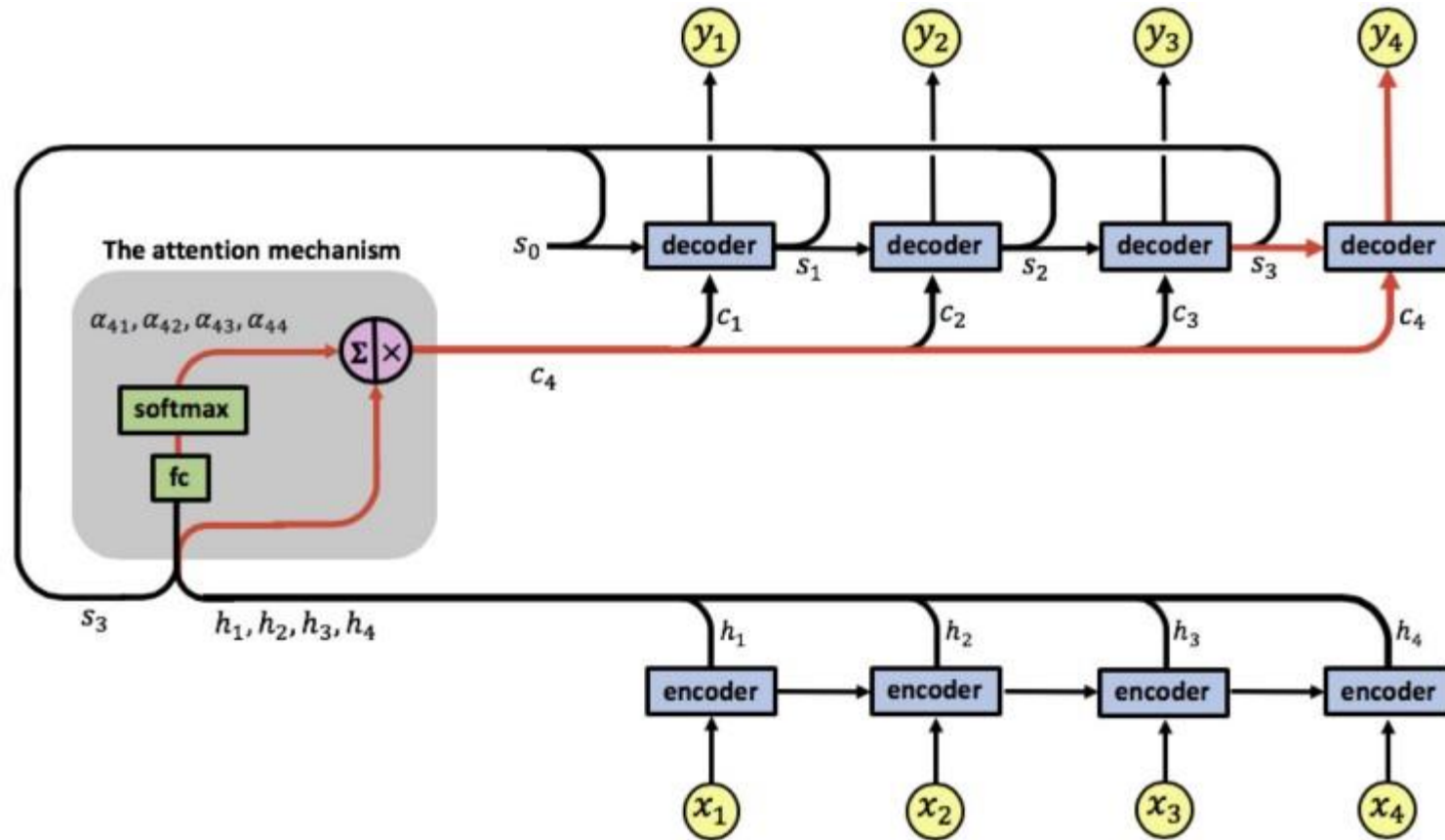
❖ The first set of attention weights $\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \alpha_{13}, \alpha_{14}$

- ✓ enabling the computation of the first context vector c_1
- ✓ The decoder now uses $[s_0, c_1]$ and computes the first RNN output y_1



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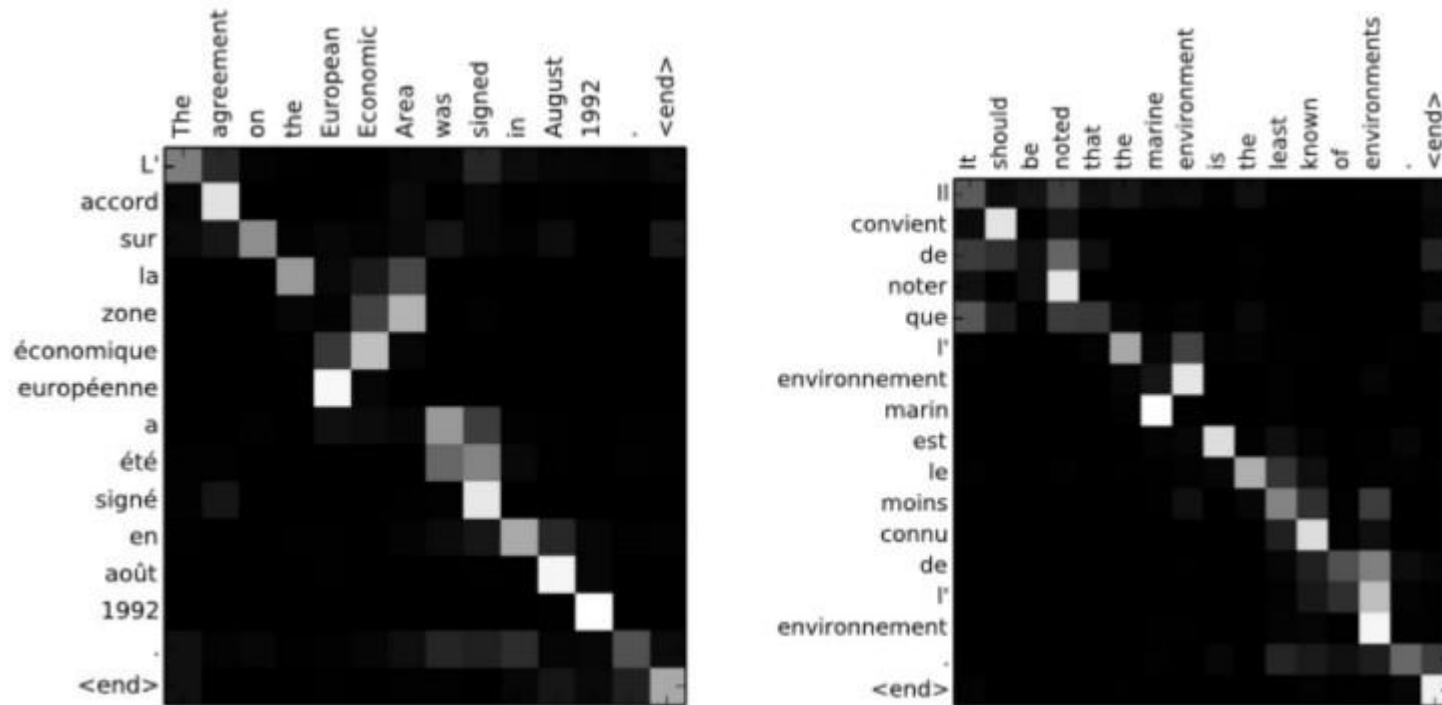
- ❖ It computes a fourth set of attention weights $\alpha_{41}, \alpha_{42}, \alpha_{43}, \alpha_{44}$ enabling the computation of the fourth context vector c_4



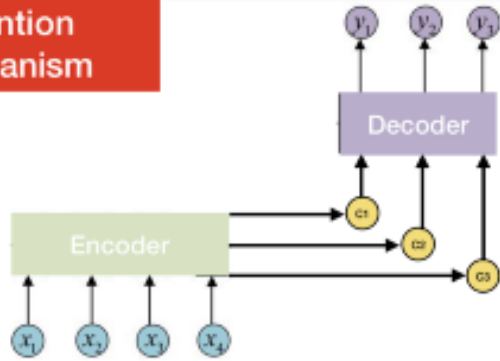


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An example task is English-French machine translation

- ✓ Each pixel shows the weight d_{ij} of the j -th source word and the i -th target word, in grayscale
- ✓ The larger attention parameters (given by the white pixels) connect corresponding parts of the English and French sentences



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<p>Attention Mechanism</p> 	<p>But</p> <p>C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n is calculated through the hidden state between source sentence and target sentence ($h_1, h_2, \dots, h_1', h_2', \dots$), leaving the attention in source sentence and target sentence itself ignored.</p>
 <p>Mr. President, RNN is also hard to parallelize and not time-efficient. What should I do?</p>	<p>Self Attention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Why don't you take away RNN?2. Why don't you self attention ? 

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RNNs

- (+) LSTMs work reasonably well for long sequences.
- (-) Expects an ordered sequences of inputs
- (-) Sequential computation: subsequent hidden states can only be computed after the previous ones are done.

Transformers:

- (+) Good at long sequences. Each attention calculation looks at all inputs.
- (+) Can operate over unordered sets or ordered sequences with positional encodings.
- (+) Parallel computation: All alignment and attention scores for all inputs can be done in parallel.
- (-) Requires a lot of memory: $N \times M$ alignment and attention scalars need to be calculated and stored for a single self-attention head. (but GPUs are getting bigger and better)

❖ Seq2Seq

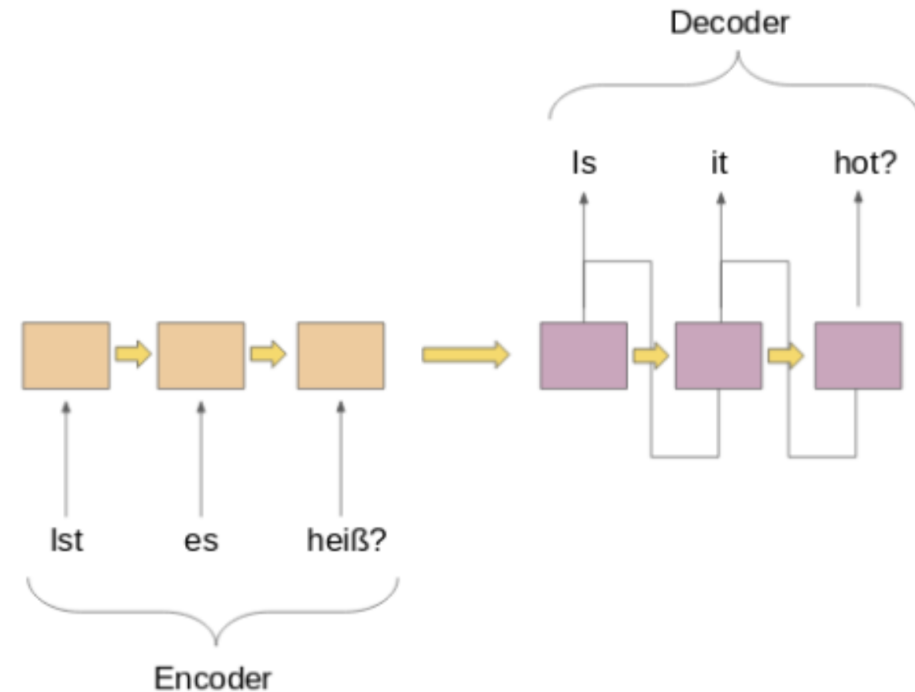
✓ <https://blog.keras.io/a-ten-minute-introduction-to-sequence-to-sequence-learning-in-keras.html>

❖ Seq2seq may basically have different lengths of the input sequence and the output sequence

❖ Corpus with two or more languages in parallel

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