

Inducing Latent Constituency Parses with Self-Attention

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1 Introduction

2 Problem

Yin et al. (2018)

3 PRPN

(Shen et al., 2018)

- d_t is a score which is used to rank a token’s propensity to be the beginning of a constituent, or how high up in the tree it should be. These d_t are used to gate self attention by preventing a token from attending past another token i if $d_i > d_t$. Parameterize with $\mathcal{N}(\mu_t, \sigma_t)$.

Comment on Shen et al. (2018)’s figures, namely 1 through 3: a ternary tree is not exactly possible under their model (regardless of τ). The way attention is parameterized, if $\tau = 0$ then it would be better to view the tree as a fully left-branching binary tree.

4 Model

4.1 Generative Model

- $p(z)$
- $p(x|z)$

5 Training and Inference

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