

#### **Word Representations**

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  - Symbolic vs distributional word representations
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  - TF-IDF

- 3) Distributional: Dense vector representations
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    - CBOW
  - Word2Vec training methods
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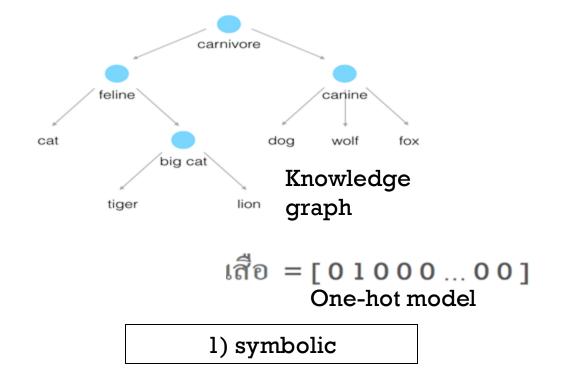
### Part 1: How to represent words?

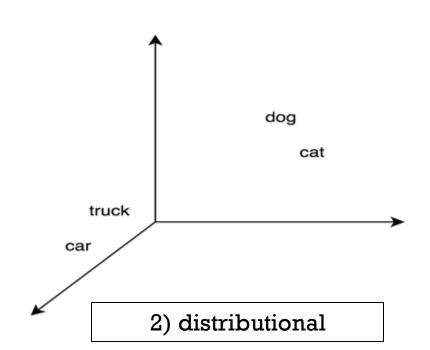
Symbolic vs distributional word representations



## How to represent words? Symbolic vs Distributional representations

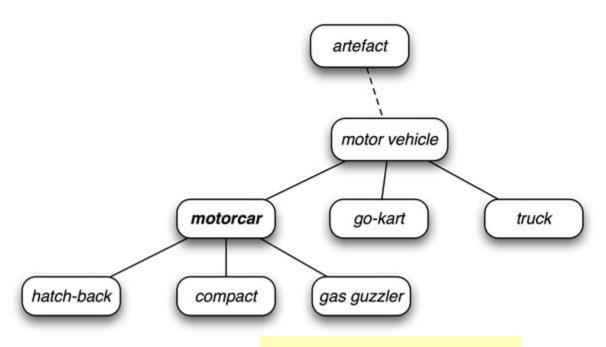
- Representing words in computer is one of the most important tasks in NLP.
- Words = Input for our models





## How to represent words? Symbolic vs Distributional representations (cont.)

- 1
- Symbolic Representations
  - A lexical database, such as WordNet that has hypernyms and synonyms
  - Drawback:
    - Requires human labor to create and update
    - Missing new words, nuances
    - Hard to compute accurate word similarity



Knowledge graph

## How to represent words? Symbolic vs Distributional representations (cont.)

- 1
- Symbolic Representations
  - Earlier work in NLP, the vast majority of (rule-based and statistical) NLP models considered words as discrete atomic symbols.
  - E.g. One-hot model

- \* Each point in the vector represents each vocab.
- Drawback:
  - Cannot capture similarity between words

## How to represent words? Symbolic vs Distributional representations (cont.)

- 2
- Distributed representations (aka distributional methods)
  - "You shall know a word by the company it keeps" (J. R. Firth 1957)
  - The meaning of a word is computed from the distribution of words <u>around it</u>.
  - Can encode similarity between words!





## How to represent words? Symbolic vs Distributional representations (cont.)

- Most modern NLP models use distributional word representations to represent words
- Word meaning as a vector
- In this class, we will examine the development of distributed word representations **before** the rise of deep learning, then we will introduce you to word representation techniques used in deep learning models.

- 1) Sparse Representation
- 2) Dense Representation



### Part 2: Distributional: Sparse vector

Term-document matrix Co-occurrence matrix TF-IDF



# Sparse vector representations in Distributional Representations

- 1. Term-Frequency (Raw Frequency)
- 2. Co-occurrence matrix
- 3. PPMI
- 4. TF-IDF

### 1

# Sparse vector representations: term-document matrix

- Each row represents a word in the vocabulary and term-document matrix
- Each column represents a document.

vocabulary					
	As You Like It	Twelfth Night	Julius Caesar	Henry V ←	document
battle	1	1	8	15	
soldier	2	2	12	36	
fool	37	58	1	5	
clown	5	117	0	0	

Figure 15.1 The term-document matrix for four words in four Shakespeare plays. Each cell contains the number of times the (row) word occurs in the (column) document.



## Sparse vector representations: term-document matrix (cont.)

- Application: Document Information Retrieval
  - Two documents that are similar tend to have similar words/vectors (document similarity)

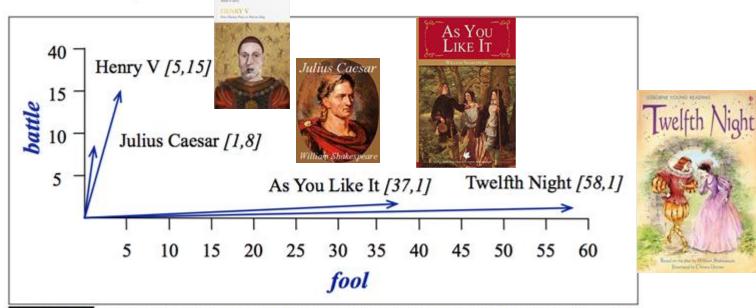


Figure 15.3 A spatial visualization of the document vectors for the four Shakespeare play documents, showing just two of the dimensions, corresponding to the words *battle* and *fool*. The comedies have high values for the *fool* dimension and low values for the *battle* dimension.



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# Sparse vector representations: co-occurrence matrix (1)

- Word-word or word-context matrix
  - Instead of entire documents, use smaller contexts
- Two words are similar if their vectors are similar

vocabulary					windo	$\mathbf{w} = 4$	
Vocabulary	→ aardvark	 computer	data	pinch	result	sugar	•••
apricot	0	 0	0	1	0	1	
pineapple	0	 0	0	1	0	1	
digital	0	 2	1	0	1	0	
information	0	 1	6	0	4	0	

Figure 15.4 Co-occurrence vectors for four words, computed from the Brown corpus, showing only six of the dimensions (hand-picked for pedagogical purposes). The vector for the word *digital* is outlined in red. Note that a real vector would have vastly more dimensions and thus be much sparser.

## Sparse vector representations: co-occurrence matrix (2)

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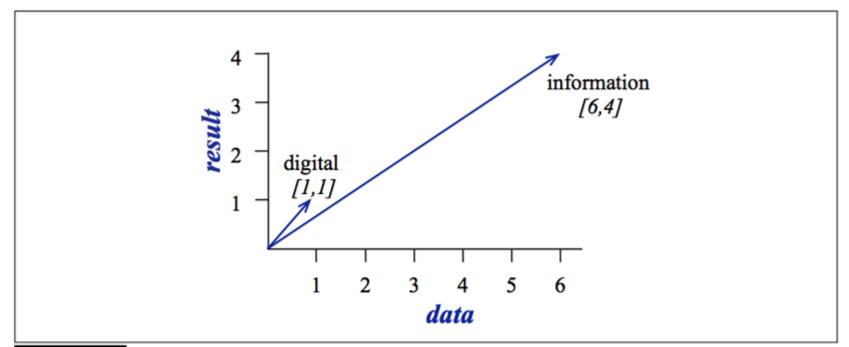


Figure 15.5 A spatial visualization of word vectors for *digital* and *information*, showing just two of the dimensions, corresponding to the words *data* and *result*.

# Sparse vector representations: Positive Pointwise Mutual Information (PPMI)



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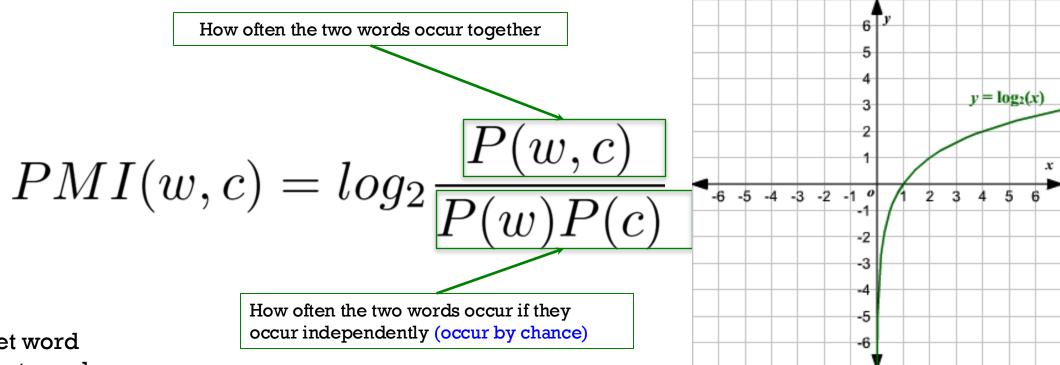
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- Problems with raw frequency
  - Not very discriminative (need normalization)
    - Words such as "it, the, they, a, an, the" occur very frequently
    - , but are not very informative
- PPMI incorporates the idea of mutual information to determine the informative context words
  - We need a measure which tells us which context words are informative about the target word



## Sparse vector representations: Positive Pointwise Mutual Information (PPMI) (cont.)





w – target word

c – context word

Do words "w" and "c" co-occur more than if they were independent?

+: occur together > occur by chance

0: occur together = occur by chance

-: occur together < occur by chance

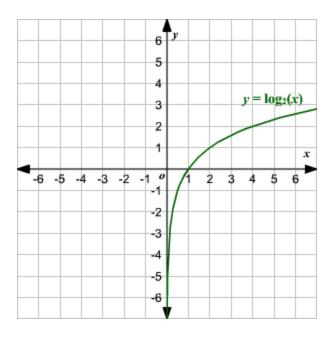


## Sparse vector representations: Positive Pointwise Mutual Information (PPMI) (cont.)

Negative PMI values tend to be unreliable.

It is common to replace all negative PMI values with zero

$$PPMI(w,c) = max(log_2 \frac{P(w,c)}{P(w)P(c)}, 0)$$



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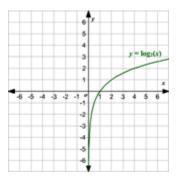
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information	0	0.57	0	0.47	0	

The PPMI matrix showing the association between words and context words, **Figure 15.7** computed from the counts in Fig. 15.4 again showing five dimensions. Note that the 0 ppmi values are ones that had a negative pmi; for example pmi(information, computer) =  $\log 2(.05/(.16*.58)) = -0.618$ , meaning that information and computer co-occur in this mini-corpus slightly less often than we would expect by chance, and with ppmi we replace negative values by zero. Many of the zero ppmi values had a pmi of -∞, like  $pmi(apricot, computer) = log 2(0/(0.16 * 0.11)) = log 2(0) = -\infty.$ 



#### Need for normalization in TF

Doc1 cat = 5/10

Doc2 cat = 50/1000

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■ Term Frequency (TF) – per <u>each</u> document

$$TF(w) = \frac{\text{Frequency of word } w \text{ in a document}}{\text{Total number of words in the document}}$$

■ Inverse Document Frequency (IDF) – per corpus (all documents)

$$IDF(w) = \log_e(\frac{\text{Total number of documents}}{\text{Number of documents that contain word } w)}$$

penalty score i.e., a, an, the

■ TF-IDF

$$TFIDF(w) = TF(w) * IDF(w)$$



### Sparse vector representations: TF-IDF (Cont.)

#### tf-idf matrix

	As You Like It	Twelfth Night	Julius Caesar	Henry V
battle	0.074	0	0.22	0.28
good	0	0	0	0
fool	0.019	0.021	0.0036	0.0083
wit	0.049	0.044	0.018	0.022

Figure 6.8 A tf-idf weighted term-document matrix for four words in four Shakespeare plays, using the counts in Fig. 6.2. For example the 0.049 value for wit in As You Like It is the product of tf =  $\log_{10}(20+1) = 1.322$  and idf = .037. Note that the idf weighting has eliminated the importance of the ubiquitous word good and vastly reduced the impact of the almost-ubiquitous word fool.



### Sparse vector representations: TF-IDF (Cont.)

- A very popular way of weighting in Information Retrieval (document similarity)
- Not commonly used as a component to measure word similarity (it is designed for document similarity)

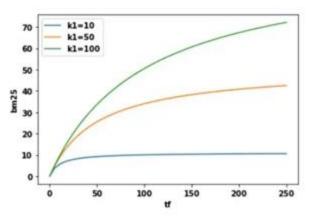


### BM25 (Best Matching)

$$BM25 = \sum_{t \in q} \log \left[ \frac{N}{df(t)} \right] \cdot \frac{(k_1 + 1) \cdot tf(t, d)}{k_1 \cdot \left[ (1 - b) + b \cdot \frac{dI(d)}{dI_{avg}} \right] + tf(t, d)}$$

- $\circ$   $k_1$ , b parameters
- dl(d) length of document d
- dl<sub>avg</sub> average document length

k₁ – Term Saturation and diminishing return



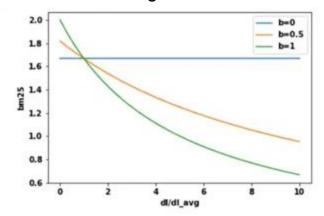
If a document contains 100 occurrences of the term "computer," is it really twice as relevant as a document that contains 50 occurrences?

RAG performance using different document representation

Model	MRR	R@1	R@5	R@10					
ReQA SQuA	ReQA SQuAD								
BM25	<u>0.670</u>	<u>0.591</u>	0.759	0.814					
$\mathrm{USE}_{\mathrm{qa}}$	0.665	0.561	0.793	<u>0.854</u>					
$MPNET_{qa}$	0.549	0.399	0.748	0.847					
$SGPT_{5.8B}$	0.783	0.699	0.887	0.926					
ReQA NQ									
BM25	0.529	0.378	0.723	0.797					
$\mathrm{USE}_{\mathrm{qa}}$	0.582	<u>0.447</u>	0.751	0.826					
$MPNET_{qa}$	0.628	0.439	0.902	0.950					
SGPT <sub>5.8B</sub>	0.652	0.528	0.807	<u>0.856</u>					

Table 2: The off-the-shelf sentence-level retrieval performance on the ReQA SQuAD and ReQA NQ task.

#### **b** – Document Length Normalization



If a document is very short and it contains "computer" once, that might already be a good indicator of relevance. But if the document is really long and the term "computer" only appears once, it is likely that the document is not about computers.

Part 3: Distributional: Dense vector representations



### Dense vector representations

- Sparse vector representations such as Term-Document vectors are:
  - Long (length of vector  $\approx$  20,000 to 50,000)
  - Sparse (most elements are zero)
- Dense vector representations are introduced to:
  - Reduce length of vectors (length of vector  $\approx$  200 to 1,000)
  - Reduce sparsity (hence the name "dense"; most elements are not zero)



### Dense vector representations (cont.)

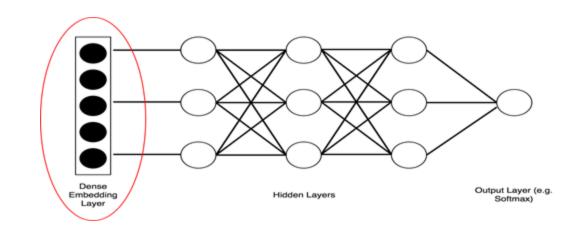
- Advantages of dense vector representation
  - Less parameters to tune
  - Generalize better
  - Better at capturing synonyms



### Dense vector representations: neural networks

How do we train embeddings in neural networks?

- 1. **Initialize randomly** and train it on a your target task.
- 2. **Pre-train** on language modeling task (e.g. next word prediction, cloze (predict missing words))
- 3. **Pre-train** on supervised task
  - e.g. train on POS tagging task and use it on other tasks



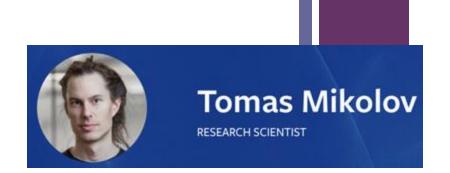
## Dense vector representations: neural networks (cont.)

- Tomas Mikolov introduced Skip-gram in 2013
  - **CBOW** was proposed before by other researchers.

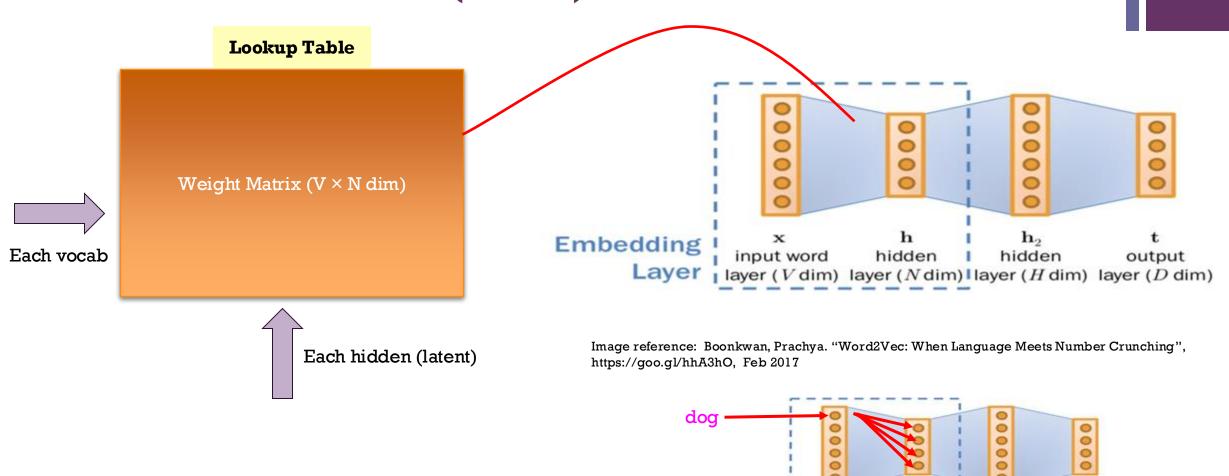




- Part of a neural network (embedding layer) can be used as word representation in various NLP tasks
- Advantages:
  - Fast
  - Pre-trained word representations are available online!



# Dense vector representations: neural networks (cont.)



Embedding

Layer ( $V \dim$ ) layer ( $N \dim$ ) layer ( $H \dim$ ) layer ( $D \dim$ )

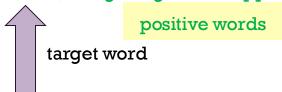


# Dense vector representations: neural networks (cont.)

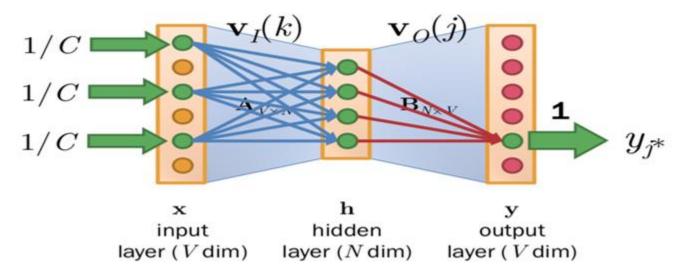
- **CBOW** and **Skip-Gram** (not covered) intuition: Iteratively make the embeddings for a word
  - (positive class) more like the embeddings of its neighbors and
  - (negative class) less like the embeddings of other words.

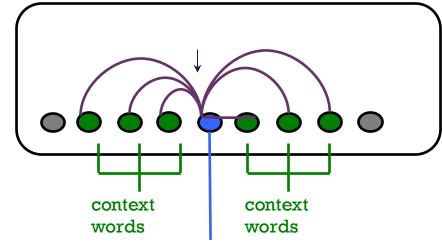
negative words

Outside of China there have been more than 500 cases in nearly 30 countries. Four people have died - in **France**, Hong Kong, the Philippines and Japan.



- Continuous Bag-of-Words (CBOW)
- In CBOW neural language model, ONE target word is predicted from SEVERAL context words.





predicted target word

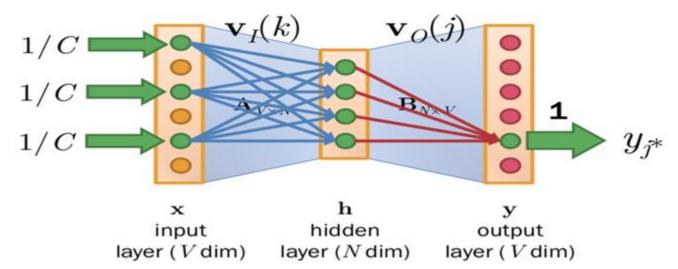
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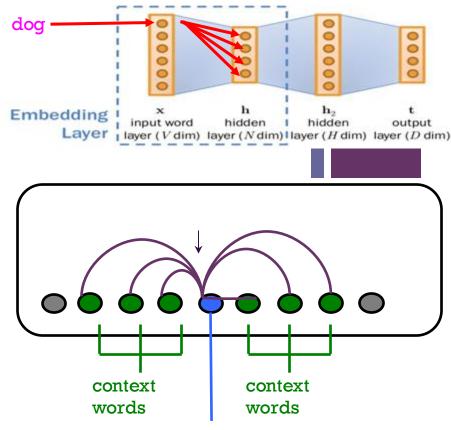


### 1) CBOW (cont.)

Outside of China there have been more than 500 cases in nearly 30 countries. Four people <u>have died</u> - <u>in France</u>, <u>Hong Kong</u>, <u>the Philippines and Japan</u>.

We simply average the encoding vectors





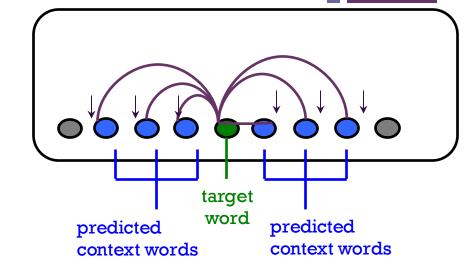
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Image reference: Boonkwan, Prachya. "Word2Vec: When Language Meets Number Crunching", https://goo.gl/hhA3hO, Feb 2017

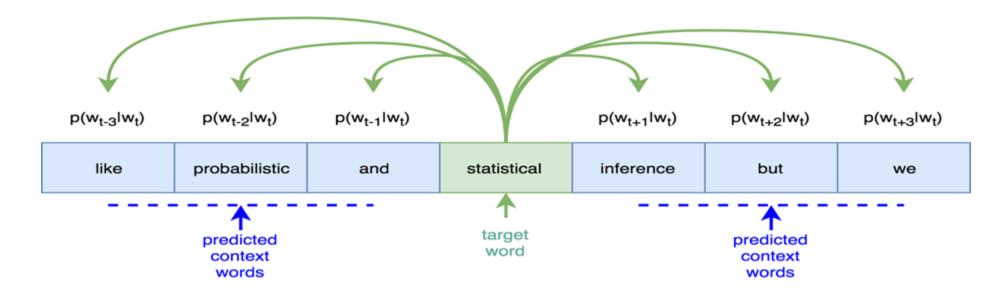
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- In skip-gram neural language model, SEVERAL context words are predicted from ONE target word.
- In "Efficient Estimation of Word Representations in Vector Space", Mikolov shows that skip-gram performs better than CBOW in several tasks. BUT skip-gram model requires more training time.
- In this lecture, we will show you how skip-gram works



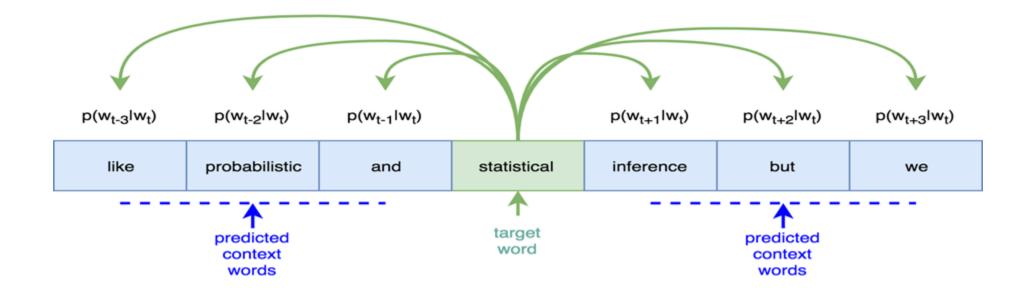
### 2) Skip-gram (cont.)

- Skip-gram prediction
- Consider the following passage:
  - "I think it is much more likely that human language learning involves something like probabilistic and statistical inference but we just don't know yet."



### 2) Skip-gram (cont.)

- For each word t = 1...T, predict its surrounding context words (next m words and previous m words)
- "m" is the window size





# 2) Skip-gram (cont.)

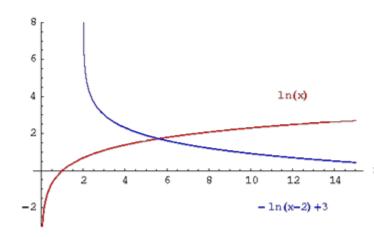
■ Likelihood function: Given the target word (aka center word), maximize the probability of each context word

$$J'(\theta) = \prod_{t=1}^{T} \prod_{-m < j < m; j \neq 0} p(w_{t+j}|w_t; \theta)$$
  $j = +m \to \text{next words} \atop j = 0 \to \text{the input word (w_t)}$ 

= -m  $\rightarrow$  previous words

■ Cost/Loss Function (Negative Log-Likelihood): (minimize)

$$J( heta) = -rac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{-m < j \le m; j 
eq 0} \log p(w_{t+j}|w_t; heta)$$

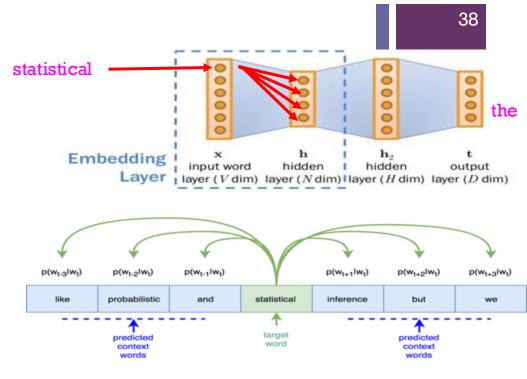


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# 2) Skip-gram (cont.) Softmax

- How to calculate  $p(w_{t+j}|w_t; heta)$ 
  - for each word w, we will use two vectors
    - $oldsymbol{v}$  when w is a target/center word
    - lacksquare when w is a context word
  - Then for a center word 'c' and a context word 'o'

$$p(o|c) = \frac{exp(u_o^T v_c)}{\sum_{w \in V} exp(u_w^T v_c)}$$



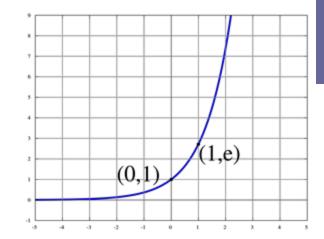
Dot product compares similarity of o and c. Larger dot product = larger probability

After taking exponent, normalize over entire vocabulary



# 2) Skip-gram (cont.) Softmax

$$p(o|c) = \frac{exp(u_o^T v_c)}{\sum_{w \in V} exp(u_w^T v_c)}$$



■ This is basically a softmax function

$$\operatorname{softmax}(x_i) = \frac{\exp(x_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^n \exp(x_j)} = p_i$$

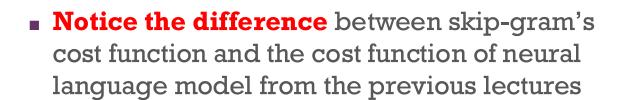
- The softmax function maps arbitrary values x<sub>i</sub> to a probability distribution p<sub>i</sub>
  - "max" because amplifies probability of largest x<sub>i</sub>
  - "soft" because still assigns some probability to smaller x<sub>i</sub>



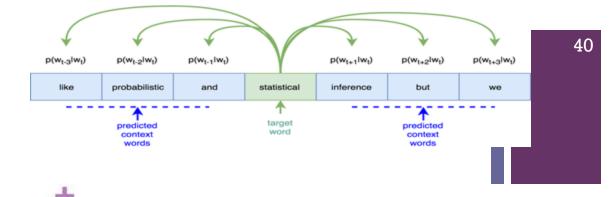
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Negative Log-Likelihood of Skip-gram model:

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eq 0} \log p(w_{t+j}|w_t; heta)$$



Predict context words





- Recurrent Neural Network (RNN)
  - Cost function:

$$J = -rac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{|V|} y_{t,j} \log \hat{y}_{t,j}$$

- Where
  - V = Number of unique words in corpus
  - T = Number of total words in corpus
  - y = Target next word
  - $\hat{y}$  = Distribution of predicted next word

Predict the next word



# Dealing with large vocab sizes

#### Word2Vec training methods

- Softmax is not very efficient (slow)
- Computational Cost : O(|V|)
- Solution: Two efficient training methods
  - Hierarchical Softmax: O(log(|V|)) not covered
  - Negative Sampling



## Word2Vec training methods: Solution1: Hierarchical Softmax

- Softmax as tree traversal
- Hierarchical softmax uses a binary tree to represent words
- Each leaf is a word
  - There's a unique path from root to leaf
- The probability of each word is the <u>product</u> of branch selection decisions from the root to the word's leaf

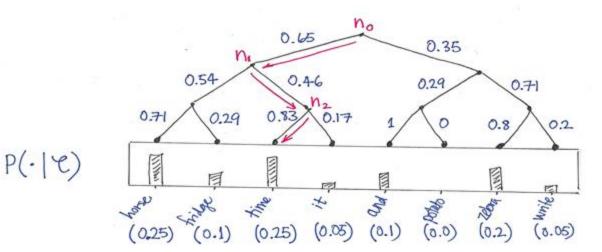
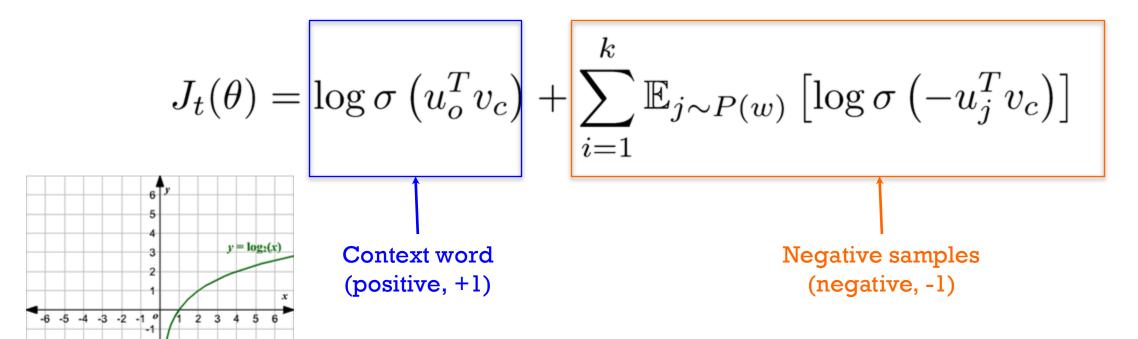


Image reference: http://building-babylon.net/2017/08/01/hierarchical-softmax/



# Word2Vec training methods: Solution2: Negative Sampling (2)

■ The objective function for skip-gram with negative sampling:



$$\sigma$$
= sigmoid



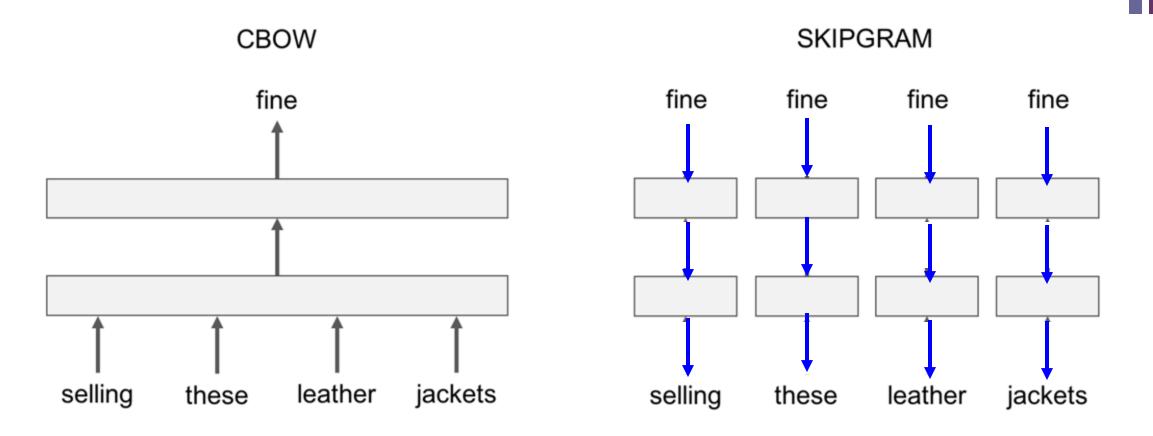
# Word2Vec training methods: Solution2: Negative Sampling (2)

- Why <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>?
  - Chosen based on empirical experiments
- Intuition:
  - at:  $0.9^{3/4} = 0.92$
  - farmer:  $0.09^{3/4} = 0.16$
  - superfluous: 0.01<sup>3/4</sup> = 0.032
  - A rare word such as 'superfluous' is now 3x more likely to be sampled
  - While the probability of a frequent word "at" only went up marginally

$$P^{\frac{3}{4}}(w) = \frac{(w)^{\frac{3}{4}}}{\sum_{w'} (w')^{\frac{3}{4}}}$$

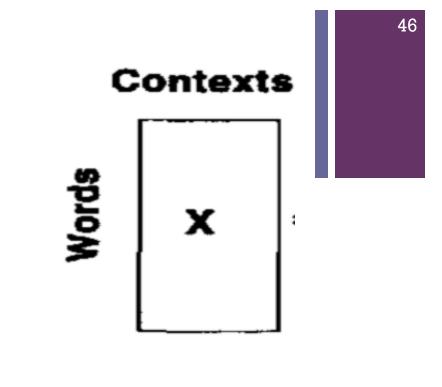
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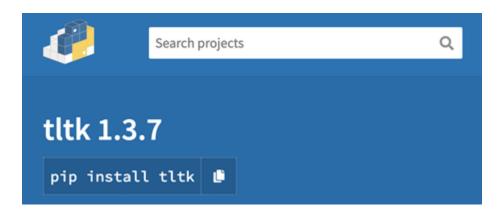
# Summary: CBOW vs Skip-gram (recap)



#### Pre-trained Word2Vec

- 1) Non-contextualized Word Embeddings (fixed vector)
- 1.1) GloVe (Stanford) [not support Thai language]
  - https://nlp.stanford.edu/projects/glove/
- 1.2) fastText [Available in Thai language] (Facebook)
  - https://github.com/facebookresearch/fastText
- 1.3) Word2Vec in TLTK (Aj.Wirote)
  - tltk.corpus.w2v(w)
- 1.4) Large Thai Word2Vec (LTWV): CBOW
- 2) Contextualized Word Embeddings
- 2.1) thai2fit
  - ULMFit
  - https://github.com/cstorm125/thai2fit/
- 2.2) BERT family
- 2.3) A lot more...







### Pre-trained Word2Vec: fastText

Skip-Gram (or CBOW) of "sum of subwords (char n-grams)"

- fastText is a library for efficient learning of word representations and sentence classification.
- <u>Character</u> n-grams as additional features to capture some partial information about the local word order.
  - Good for rare words, since rare words can share these n-grams with common words
- Pre-trained word vectors for 157 languages (including Thai) trained on Wikipedia.

<where> <wh, whe, her, ere, re>

Reference: Bojanowski, Piotr, et al. "Enriching word vectors with subword information." arXiv preprint arXiv:1607.04606 (2016).

Joulin, Armand, et al. "Bag of tricks for efficient text classification." arXiv preprint arXiv:1607.01759 (2016).

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#### Resources

English word vectors

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## Word vectors for 157 languages

We distribute pre-trained word vectors for 157 languages, trained on *Common Crawl* and *Wikipedia* using fastText. These models were trained using CBOW with position-weights, in dimension 300, with character n-grams of length 5, a window of size 5 and 10 negatives. We also distribute three new word analogy datasets, for French, Hindi and Polish.

#### Download directly with command line or from python

In order to download with command line or from python code, you must have installed the python package as described here.

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## Compositionality

- Now, we know how to create a dense vector representation for a word
  - What about larger linguistic units? (e.g. phrase, sentence)
- We can combine smaller units into a larger unit

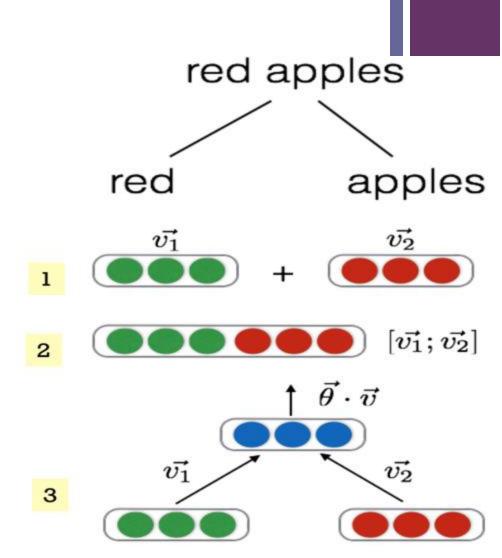


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#### Outline

- 1) How to represent words?
  - Symbolic vs distributional word representations
- 2) Distributional: Sparse vector representations (discrete representation)
  - Term-document matrix
  - Co-occurence
  - PPMI
  - TF-IDF

- 3) Distributional: Dense vector representations
  - Word2Vec
    - CBOW
    - Skip-gram
  - Word2Vec training methods
  - Pre-trained vector representations
    - Adaptation
  - Compositionality