

Extending Multi-sense Word Embedding to Phrases and Sentences for Unsupervised Semantic Applications

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Introduction

- Previous Work:
 - Word embedding represents the input word by a set co-occurring words
 - Co-occurring word distribution might have multiple modes
 - Multi-sense word embedding clusters the co-occurring words into centers
- Our goal:
 - Extending the methods to phrases and sentences
 - Do the similar thing but replacing the input word as a word sequence.
 - Senses of the input words -> Facets of the input sentence/phrases

Multi-sense Embedding [1]



Challenges

- Storage
 - Too many unique sentences
- Sparse signal
 - Too few co-occurring words
- “Out-of-vocabulary”
 - Similar sentences during testing

Testing Corpus

??? The film makes him become a big star in Hollywood. ???



Training Corpus

His acting in Titanic is very natural.
The movie makes him become a big star in Hollywood.
He has become one of the highest-paid actors since then.

Observed

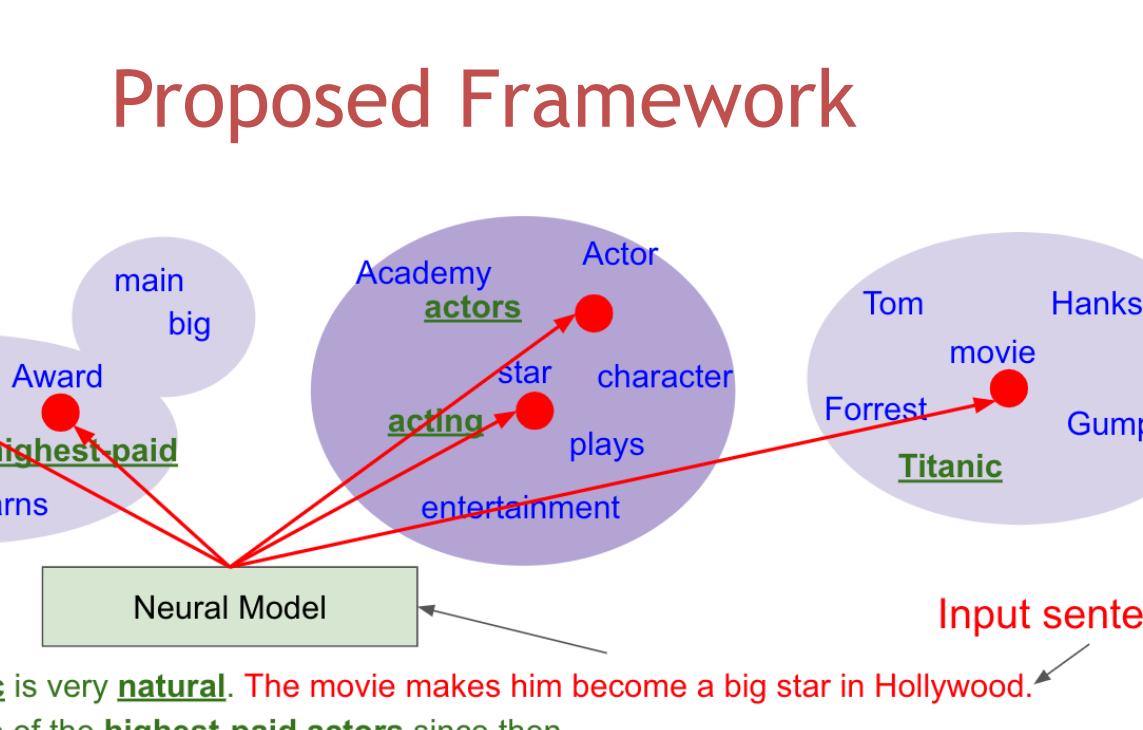
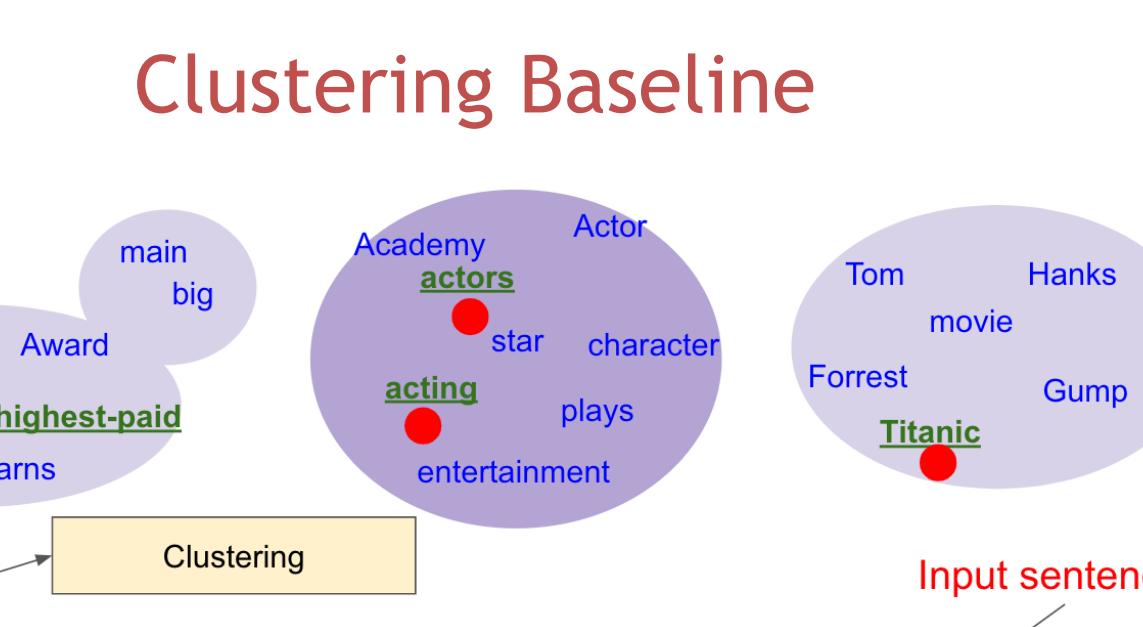
Storing tons of clustering results?



Tom Hanks plays the main character in Forrest Gump.
The movie makes him become a big star in Hollywood.
His acting also earns him the Academy Award for Best Actor.

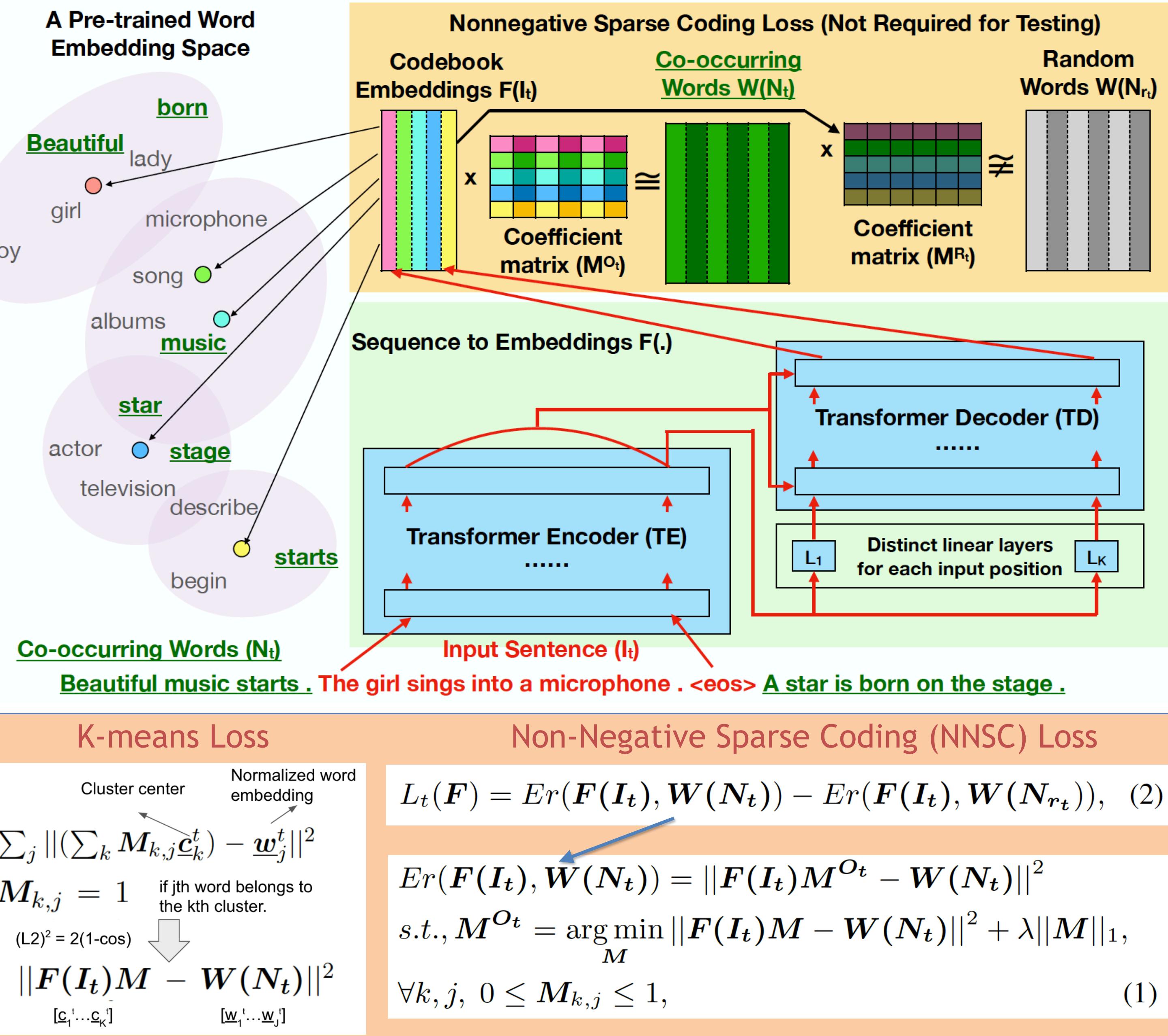
Main Idea

- Instead of clustering, we directly predict the cluster centers using a neural model
- Storage issue
 - Clusters are compressed in the parameters of the neural model
- Sparse signal issue
 - Clustering the co-occurring words of similar sentences
- “Out-of-vocabulary” issue
 - Can take any input sentence
- Model Design
 - What neural network architecture to use?
 - How to train end-to-end?
 - What clustering loss to use?



Our Method

Multi-facet Embedding



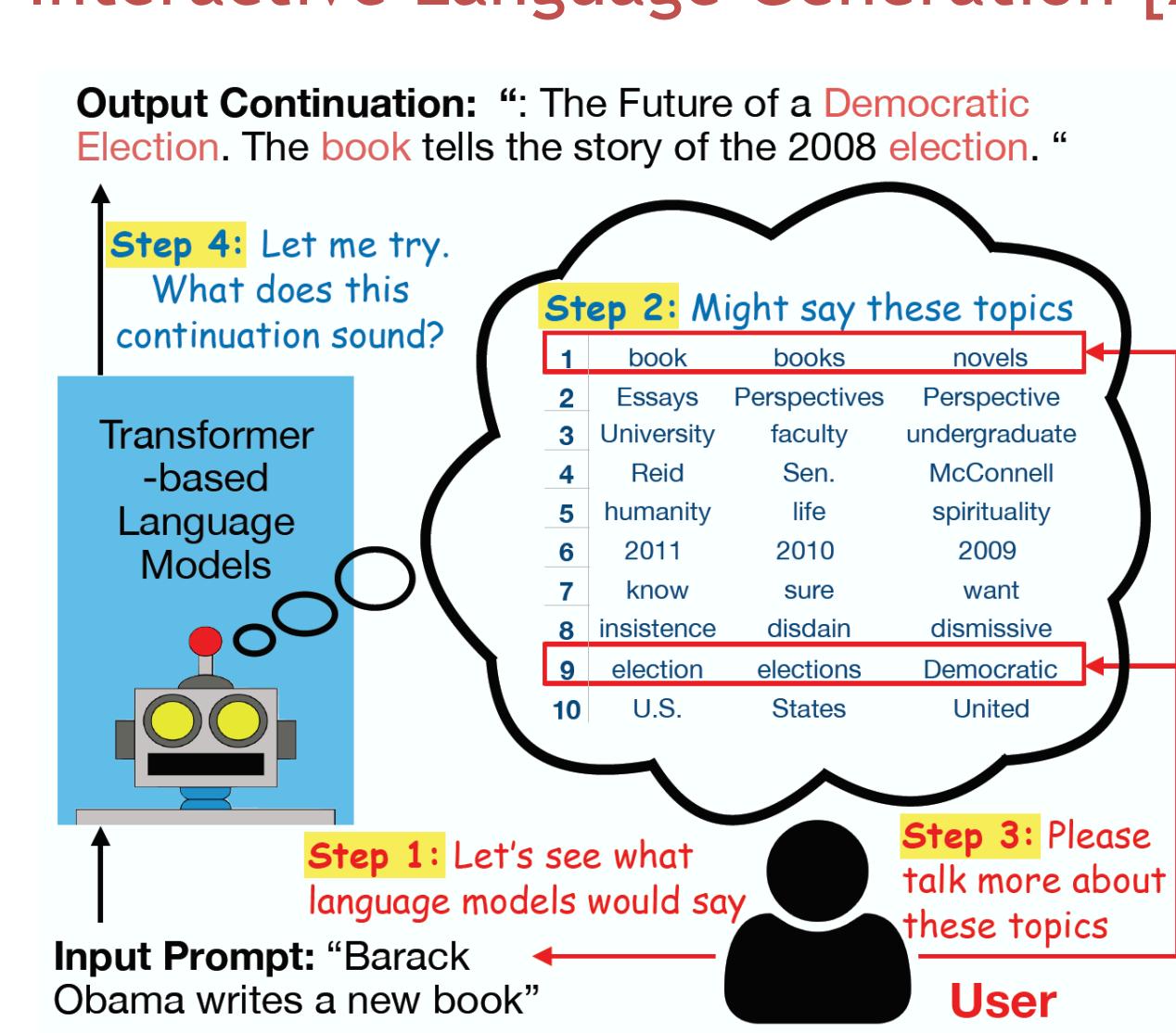
- We use Transformer encoder and decoder to predict a set of centers
- NNSC loss is better because its gradient is more smooth
- We match the cluster centers and co-occurring words in each training iteration

Each Training Iteration

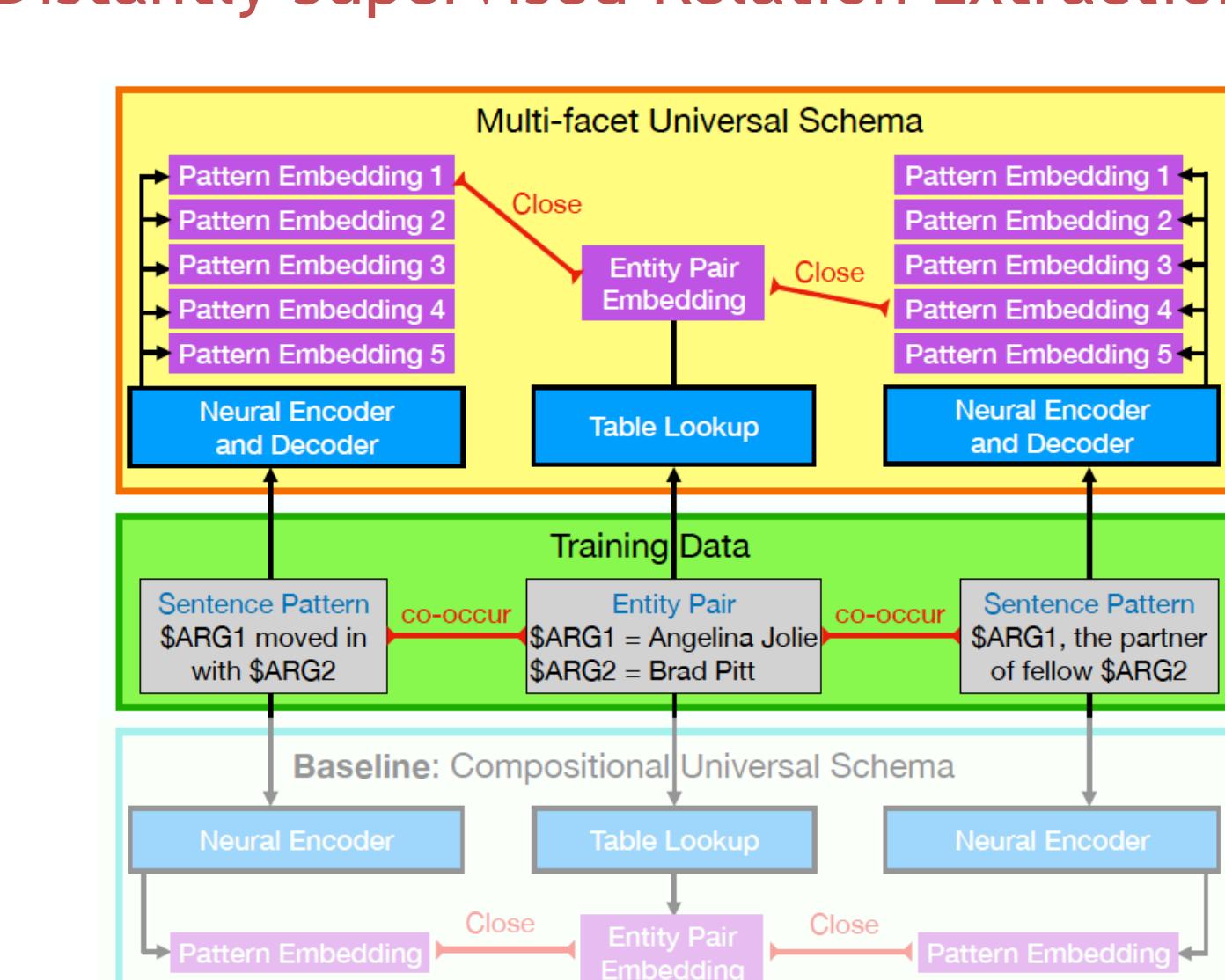
- Step 1: Generate $F(I_t)$
- Step 2: Estimate M^{O_t} and M^{R_t}
- Step 3: Compute Loss $L_t(F)$
- Step 4: Fix M^{O_t} and M^{R_t} to do backprop

Other Applications

Interactive Language Generation [2]



Distantly Supervised Relation Extraction [3]



Experiments

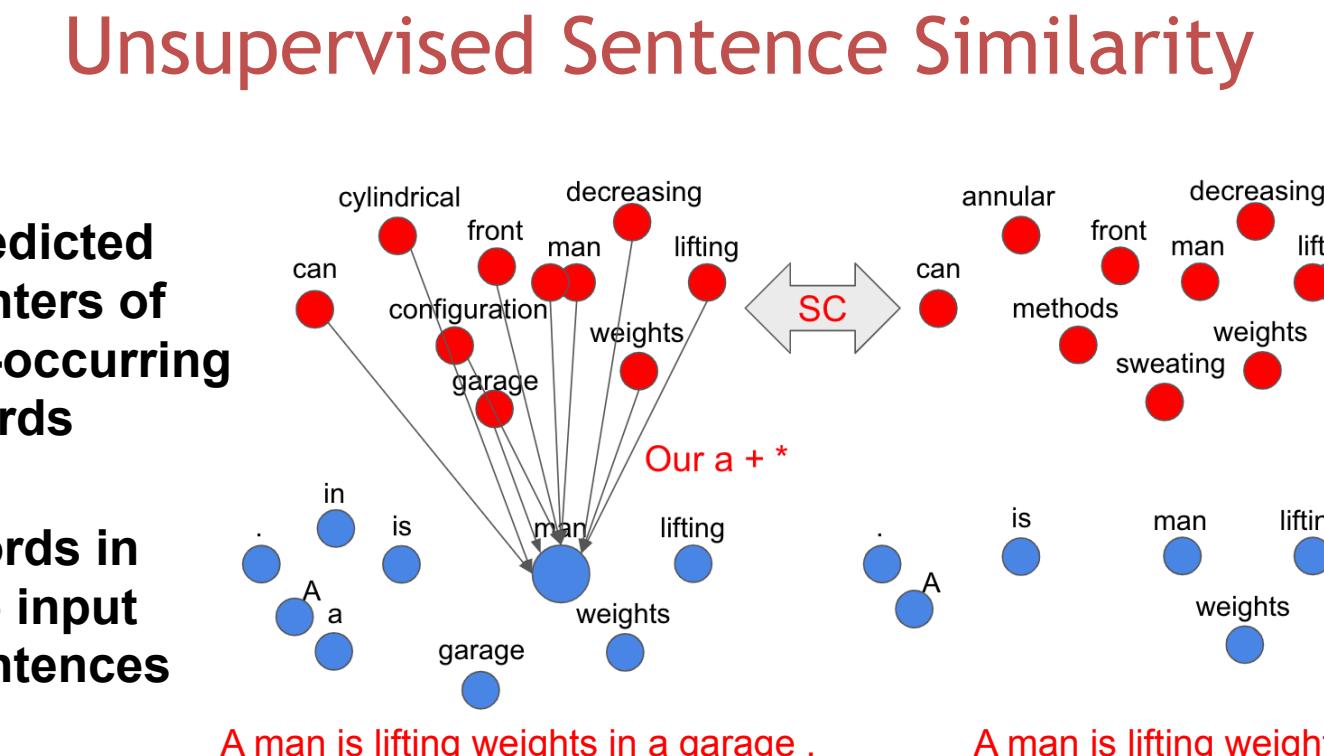
- Multiple embeddings for sentence representation is much better than single embedding
 - similar for phrase representation
- Word importance estimation using the co-occurring distribution improves various scoring functions
- More facets are better in summarization

Visualizing Predicted Cluster Centers

Input Phrase: civil order <eos>	
Output Embedding (K = 1):	
e1 —	government 0.817 civil 0.762 citizens 0.748
Output Embeddings (K = 3):	
e1 —	initiatives 0.736 organizations 0.725 efforts 0.725
e2 —	army 0.815 troops 0.804 soldiers 0.786
e3 —	court 0.758 federal 0.757 judicial 0.736

Input Sentence: SMS messages are used in some countries as reminders of hospital appointments . <eos>	
Output Embedding (K = 1):	
e1 —	information 0.702, use 0.701, specific 0.700
Output Embeddings (K = 3):	
e1 —	can 0.769, possible 0.767, specific 0.767
e2 —	hospital 0.857, medical 0.780, hospitals 0.739
e3 —	SMS 0.891, sms 0.745, messaging 0.686

Output Embeddings (K = 10):	
e1 —	can 0.854, should 0.834, either 0.821
e2 —	hospital 0.886, medical 0.771, hospitals 0.745
e3 —	services 0.768, service 0.749, web 0.722
e4 —	SMS 0.891, sms 0.745, messaging 0.686
e5 —	messages 0.891, message 0.801, emails 0.679
e6 —	systems 0.728, technologies 0.725, integrated 0.723
e7 —	appointments 0.791, appointment 0.735, duties 0.613
e8 —	confirmation 0.590, request 0.568, receipt 0.563
e9 —	countries 0.855, nations 0.737, Europe 0.732
e10 —	Implementation 0.613, Application 0.610, Programs 0.603



Method	Model	Dev		Test	
		All	Low	All	Low
Cosine	Skip-thought	43.2	28.1	30.4	21.2
CLS	BERT	9.6	-0.4	4.1	0.2
Avg	BERT	62.3	42.1	51.2	39.1
SC	Our c K1	55.7	43.7	47.6	45.4
	Our c K10	63.0	51.8	52.6	47.8
	GloVe	58.8	35.3	40.9	25.4
	Our a K1	63.1	43.3	47.5	34.8
	Our a K10	66.7	47.4	52.6	39.8
	GloVe	75.1	59.6	63.1	52.5
	Our a K1	74.4	60.8	62.9	54.4
	Our a K10	76.2	62.6	66.1	58.1
WMD	GloVe	51.7	32.8	36.6	30.9
	Our a K1	54.5	40.2	44.1	40.6
	Our a K10	61.7	47.1	50.0	46.5
	GloVe	70.7	56.6	59.2	54.8
Prob. WMD	Our a K1	68.5	56.0	58.1	55.2
	Our a K10	72.0	60.5	61.4	59.3
Prob. avg	GloVe	75.1	65.7	63.2	58.1
	Our a K1	72.5	64.0	61.7	58.5
	Our a K10	75.2	67.6	64.6	62.2
Prob. avg	Our a (k-means) K10	71.5	62.3	61.5	57.2
sentence-BERT (100 pairs)*	71.2	55.5	64.5	58.2	

Setting	Method	R-1			
		R-1	R-2	Len	Sup
Unsup, No Sent Order	Random	28.1	8.0	68.7	
	Textgraph (tfidf)†	33.2	11.8	-	
	Textgraph (BERT)†	30.8	9.6	-	
	W Emb (GloVe)	26.6	8.8	37.0	
	Sent Emb (GloVe)	32.6	10.7	78.2	
	W Emb (BERT)	31.3	11.2	45.0	
	Sent Emb (BERT)	32.3	10.6	91.2	
	Our c (K=3)	32.2	10.1	75.4	
	Our c (K=10)	34.0	11.6	81.3	
	Our c (K=100)	35.0	12.8	92.9	
Unsup	Lead-3	40.3	17.6	87.0	
	PACSUM (BERT)†	40.7	17.8	-	
	RL*	41.7	19.5	-	

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Conclusion

- We propose a framework for learning the cooccurring distribution of the words beside a sentence or a phrase.
- Even though there are usually only a few words that co-occur with each