



# Low-Resource Neural Machine Translation

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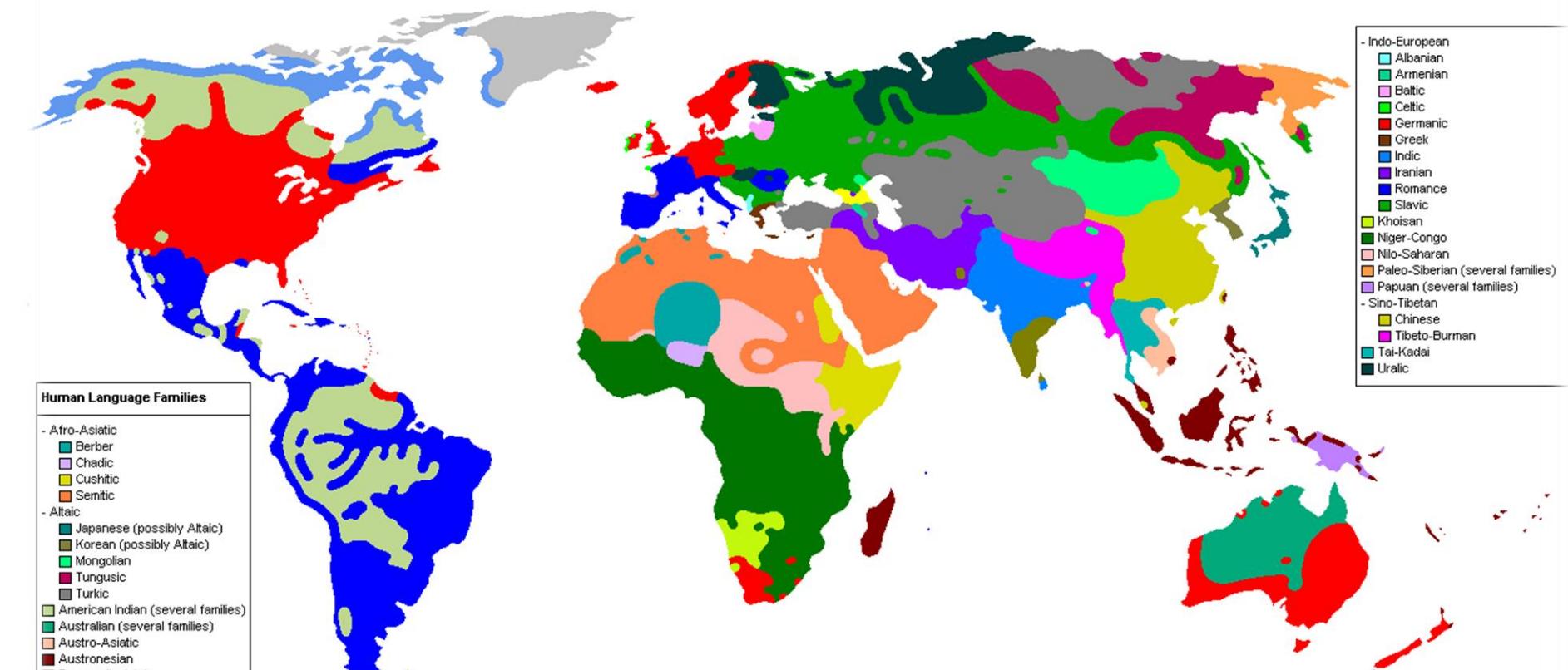


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# Cross Lingual Environment



# Machine Translation (MT)

- Machine Translation: let the computer translate the human language, as well as it is a technique that uses a computer to automatically convert one natural language (Source language) to another natural language (target language).



# Typical MT Systems





# Current State of MT Community



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# Demo (NMT)



他 喜欢 北京 。

He likes Beijing .

他 在 东京 居住 。

He lives in Tokyo .

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The capital of Japan is Tokyo .

北京 是 中国 的 首都 。

Beijing is the capital of China .

他 来自 日本 。

He is from Japan .

日本 临近 中国 。

Japan is near China .

中国 是 亚洲 国家 。

China is an Asian Country .

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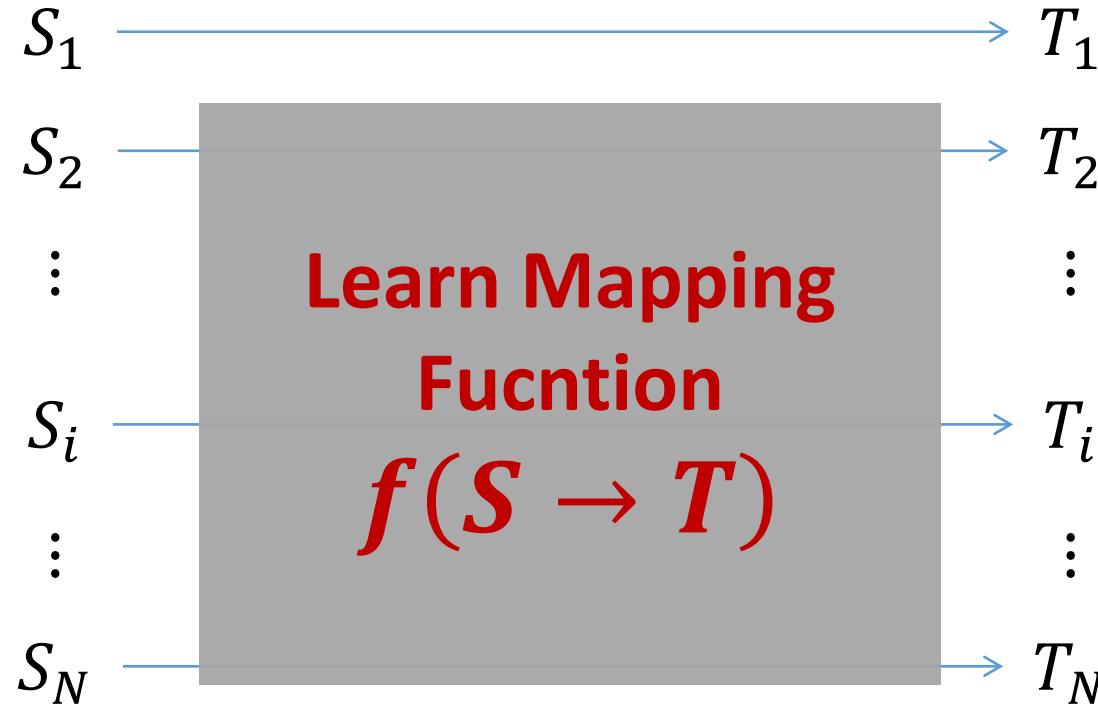
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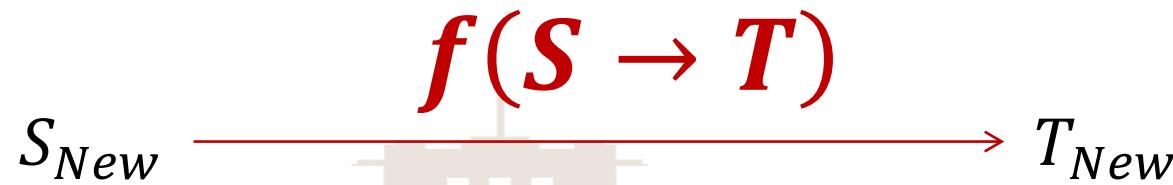
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(Jiajun Zhang, CCL2018)

# Mapping function from source to target language





The diagram shows the learned mapping function  $f(S \rightarrow T)$  being applied to a new source element  $S_{New}$ , which is mapped to a new target element  $T_{New}$ .

(Jiajun Zhang, CCL2018)

# Mapping function from source to target language

Chinese:

我 在 三星 做了 报告



Mapping  
function  
 $f(S \rightarrow T)$

English:

I gave a talk in Samsung



**X**

布什

与

沙龙

举行

了

会谈



$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} \frac{\exp(\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}))}{\sum_{\mathbf{y}'} \sum_{\mathbf{z}'} \exp(\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \phi(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}', \mathbf{z}'))}$$

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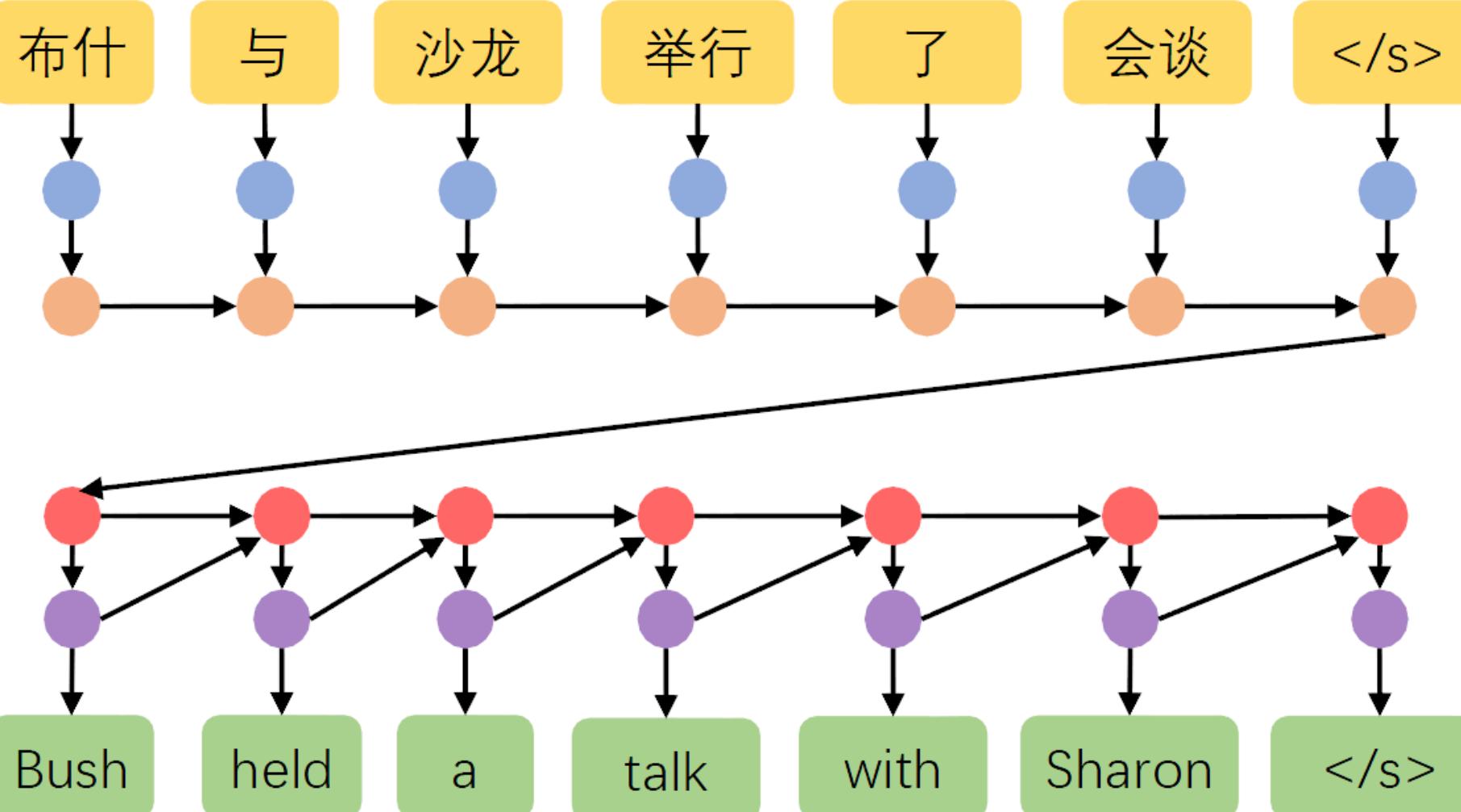
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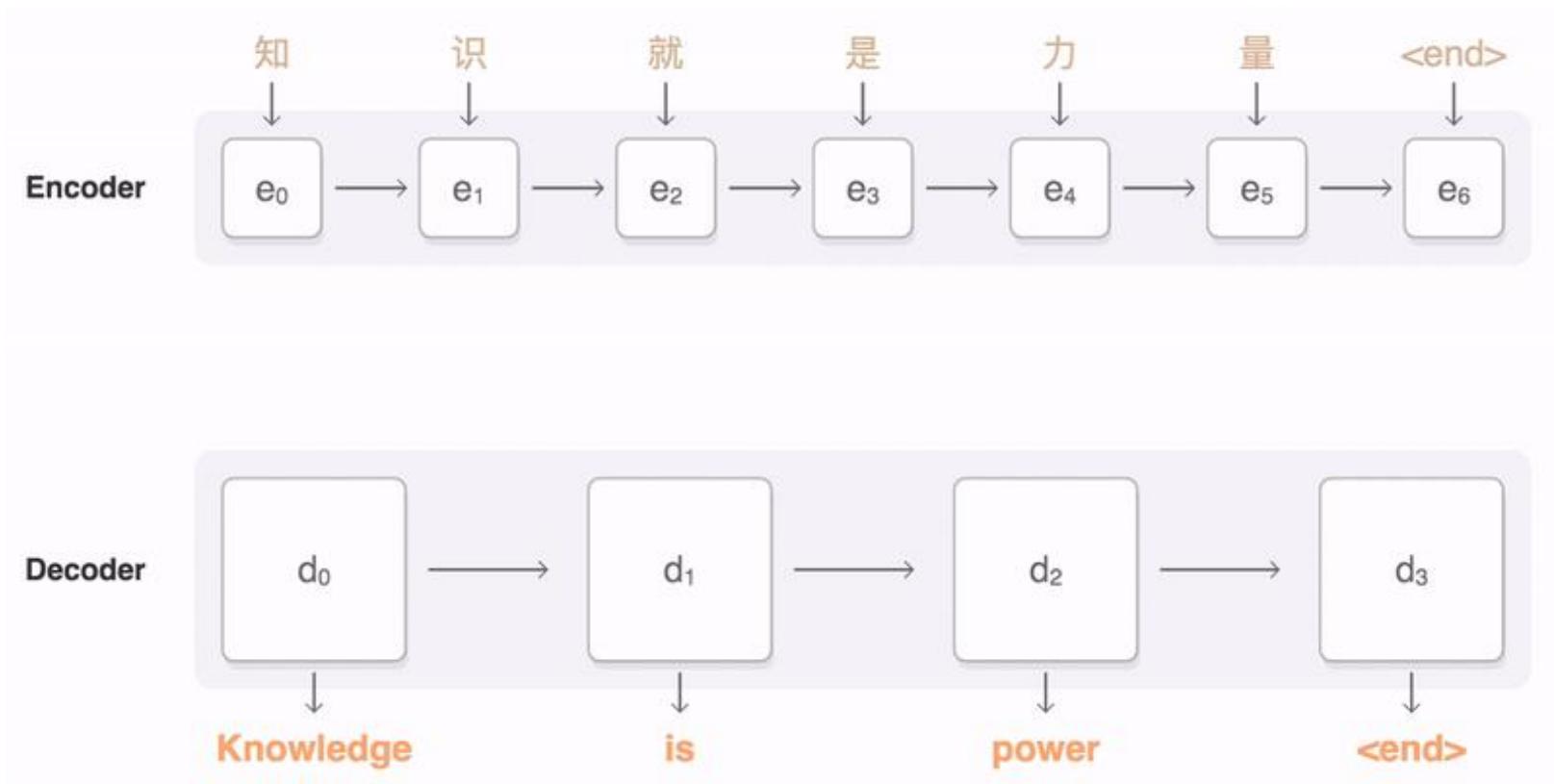


(Och and Ney., 2002)



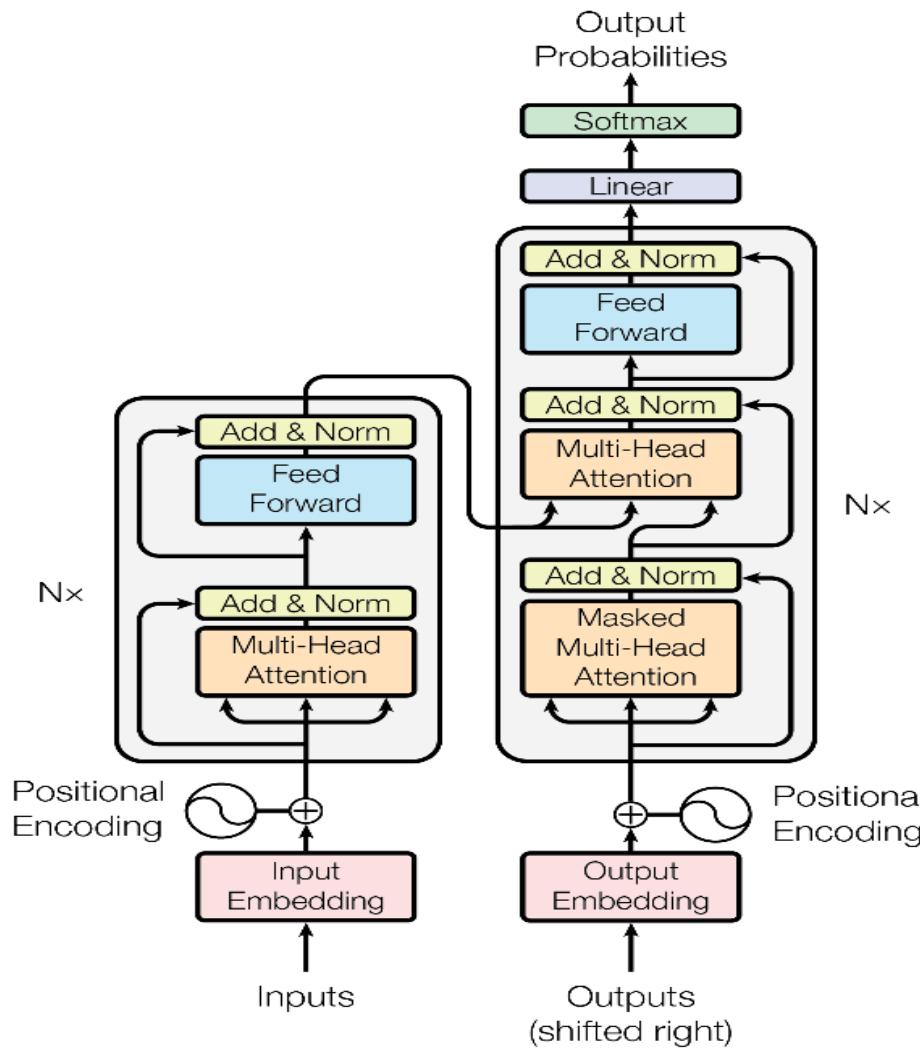
(Sutskever et al., 2014)

## NMT - Attention



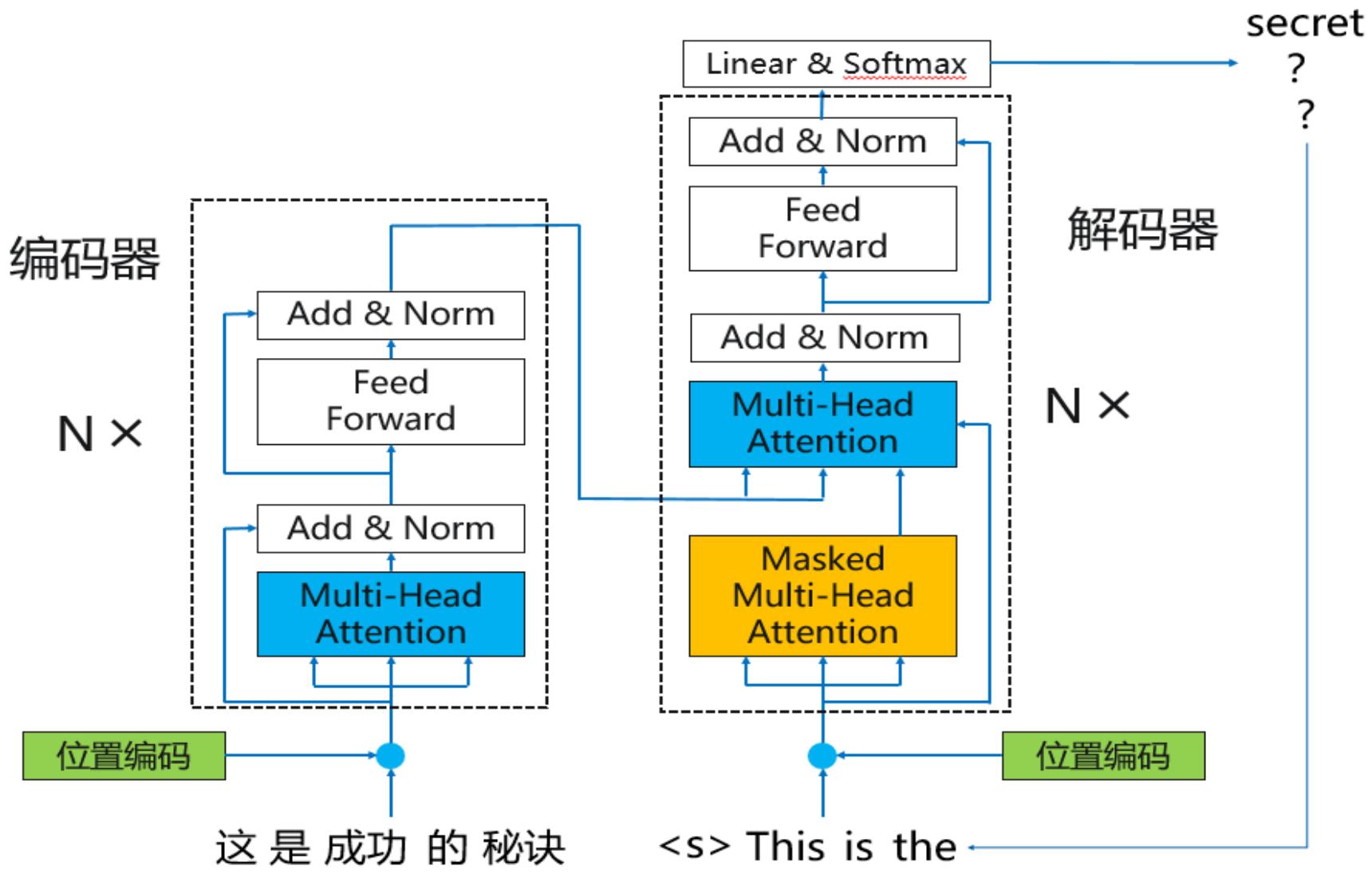
(Wu, et al. 2016)

# NMT - Transformer



(Vaswani, et al. 2017)

## NMT - Transformer



(Guoping Huang, Qcon2018)

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# Some Issues

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# Significance of Low Resource MT Research

- Academic value

- Machine translation is a data-driven task, and it relies heavily on parallel corpora. Therefore, the performance is really good on high resource language pairs, but inferior accuracy on low-resource language pairs.

- Application value

- In the “One Belt One Road” work, there is an urgent need for policy communication, smooth trade, financial access, facility connectivity, shared citizenship and cultural exchanges between 65 countries along the route, especially in Central/East/Western Asia.



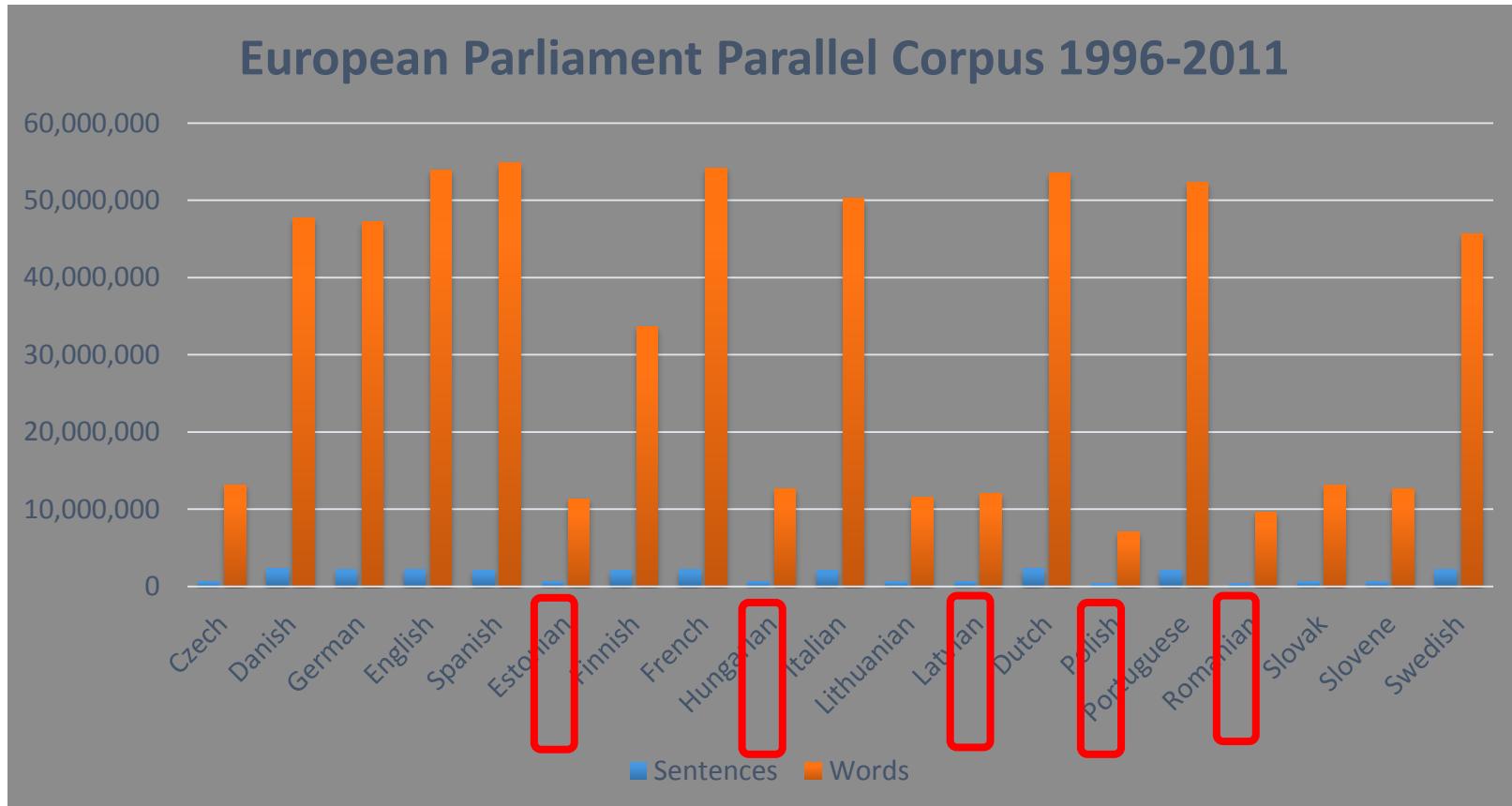
# Significance of Low Resource MT Research

- Hot topics concerned by **academia and industry**
- The **national languages** of many countries are almost morphologically rich low-resource languages.



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# Low-Resource Languages (LRLs)



(Koehn, 2005)

# Related Work and Current State

- High-resource Languages
- Domain Adaptation
- Morphology Analyzer
- Data Augmentation
- Transfer Learning
- Zero-Shot Learning
- .....



# High-resource Languages

- Attention Based Multilingual Encoder  
(Marton *et al.*, 2009; Nakov, *et al.*, 2012; Dong *et al.*, 2015;  
Zoph and Knight *et al.*, 2016; Thanh-Le *et al.*, 2016 ; Schwenk  
*et al.*, 2017 ; Johnson *et al.*, 2016 ; Get *al.*, 2018 )
- Transfer Learning  
(Wang, *et al.*, 2012; Zoph *et al.*, 2016 ; Zoph *et al.*, 2017b ;  
Nguyen *et al.*, 2017 ; Chu *et al.*, 2017 ; Passban *et al.*, 2017 ;  
Dabre *et al.*, 2017; Wang *al.*, 2018 )



# Domain Adaptation

- Data Selection
  - (Foster *et al.*, 2007 ; Zhao *et al.*, 2007; Lü *et al.*, 2007 ; Moore *et al.*, 2010 Axelrod *et al.*, 2011; Lewis *et al.*, 2011; Duh *et al.*, 2013; Chen *et al.*, 2016 ; Ruder *et al.*, 2017 )
- Context Information
  - (Tiedemann *et al.*, 2010; Gong *et al.*, 2011; Carpuat1 *et al.*, 2013 )
- Topic Information
  - (Tam *et al.*, 2007 ; Xiao *et al.*, 2012 ; Su *et al.*, 2012 ; Eidelman *et al.*, 2012; Hewavitharana, *et al.*, 2013; Zhang *et al.*, 2014 ; Zhang *et al.*, 2016 )



# Morphology Analyzer

- Rule Based

(Maddox *et al.*, 2003; Daybelge *et al.*, 2007; Lignos *et al.*, 2009;  
Hatem, *et al.*, 2011; Kessikbayeva *et al.*, 2015 )

- Traditional Statistical Method

(Kudo *et al.*, 2004; Creutz *et al.*, 2006; Virpioja *et al.*, 2013; Stig-Arne *et al.*, 2014 ; Kohonen *et al.*, 2010 ; Ruokolainen *et al.*, 2014; Sennrich *et al.*, 2016a )

- Neural Network Method

(Stuskever *et al.*, 2014; Bahdanau *et al.*, 2015; Wu *et al.*, 2016;  
Vaswani *et al.*, 2017; Belinkov *et al.*, 2017; Vania *et al.*, 2017;  
Rajana *et al.*, 2017 )



# Data Augmentation

- Monolingual Based
  - (Koehn *et al.*, 2002; Quirk *et al.*, 2004; Ueffing, *et al.*, 2006; Marta, *et al.*, 2006; Wubben *et al.*, 2012; Gulchere *et al.*, 2015; Sennrich *et al.*, 2016b ; Cheng *et al.*, 2016b ; Zhang *et al.*, 2018 )
- Word Level Replacement
  - (Francis *et al.*, 2009; Fadaee *et al.*, 2017 ; Huang *et al.*, 2016; Sennrich *et al.*, 2016c; Ribeiro *et al.*, 2018; Wang *et al.*, 2018 )



# Challenges for LRLs MT

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  - Unable to make efficient use of high resource language issue
  - Specific domain adaptive problem
  - Unable to analyze morphological problems efficiently
  - Syntactic and Semantic error problem after data augmentation

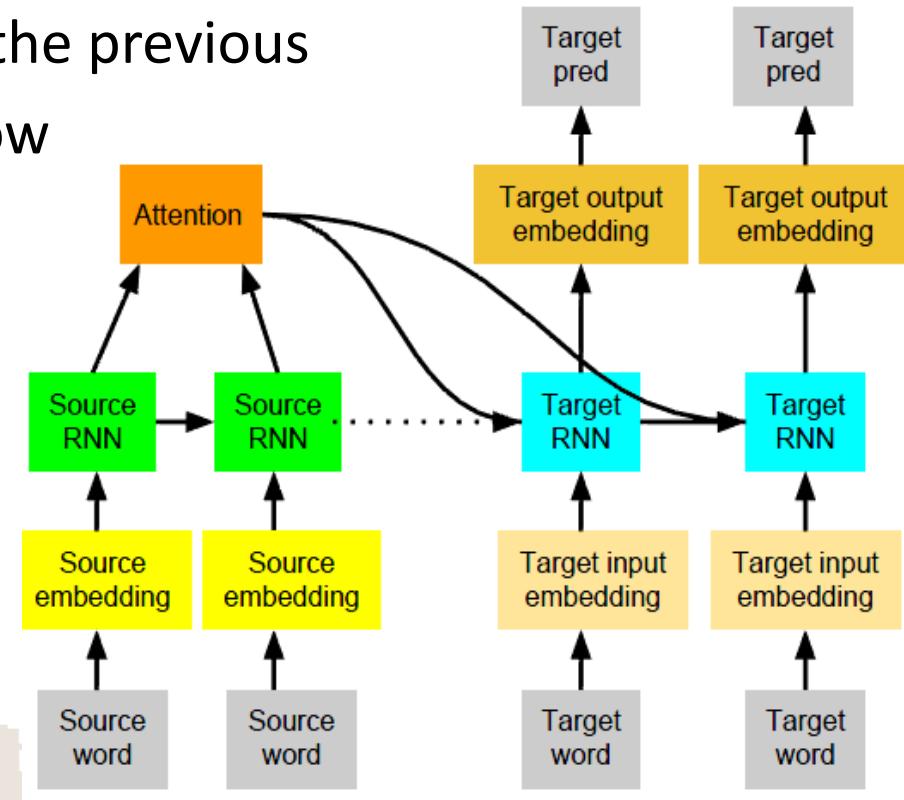


# Challenge 1-Using High-resource Languages

- (Zoph *et al.*, 2016 ) exploited the transfer learning on high-resource languages to help LRLs.
- (Passban *et al.*, 2017 ) based on the previous idea, by using of one HRLs from two different domains.

## Issue:

- Both of them unable to **use efficiently** multiple HRLs.
- Ignored **character level similarity**.

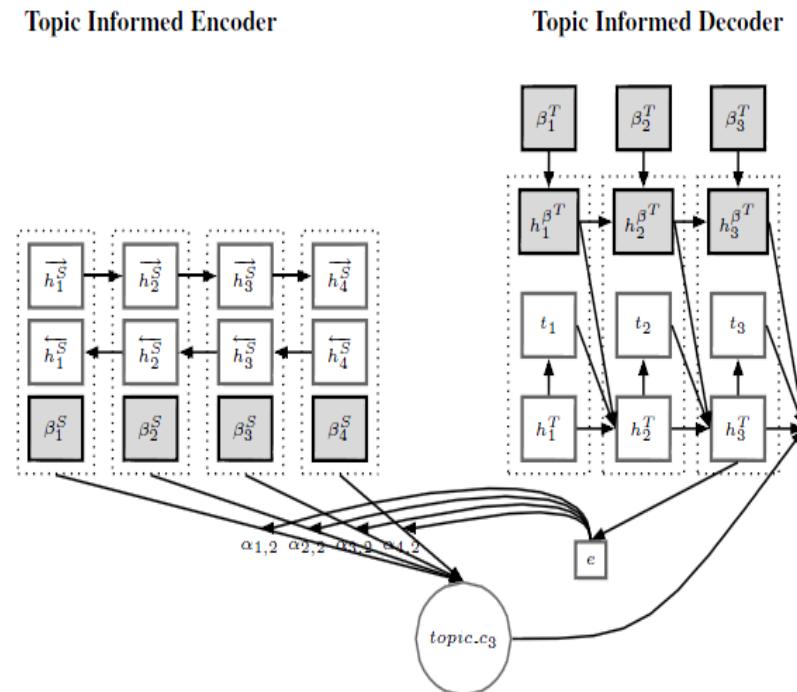


# Challenge2-Specific Domain Adaptive issue

- (Zhang *et al.*, 2016) we can regard their idea was fully-supervised method, first learn the topic

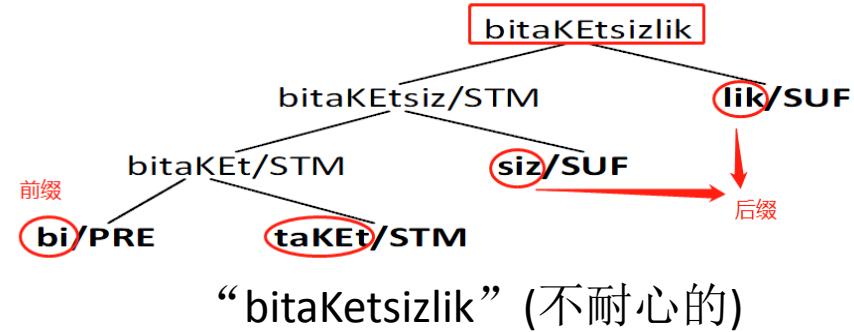
Information by using LDA, then feed them into NMT.

- **Issue:**
  - Unable to **jointly train** the topic information and NMT.
  - Dependently train the **topic model** and time consuming.
  - Hard to **set the topic number**, heuristically set the topic number both on encoder and decoder of NMT.



# Challenge3-Inferior Accuracy of Morphological Analyzer

- (Virpioja *et al.*, 2013) exploit the semi-supervised method to segment, and proposed language independent lexicon analyzer Morfessor2.0
- (Sennrich *et al.*, 2016a ) used the greedy algorithm to compute the state of each characters to be connected with others, and proposed the BPE.



- Issue :
  - Unable to **coverage** the language knowledge
  - Still exist **over /imperfect /non** segmentation

r ·	→	r ·
l o	→	l o
l o w	→	low
e r ·	→	er ·

{‘low’, ‘lowest’, ‘newer’, ‘wider’}

# Challenge 4-Syntactic and Semantic Errors

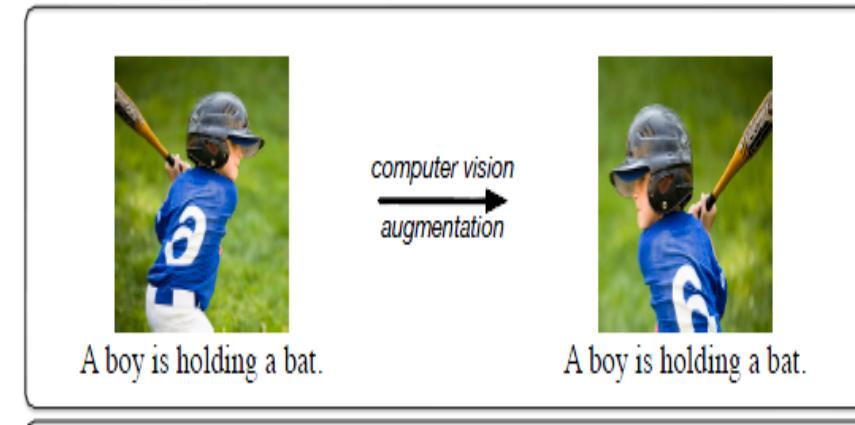
- (Fadaee *et al.*, 2017) exploited the very common augmentation method used in CV, namely data augmentation.
- (Cheng *et al.*, 2016b) expand the corpus size via back translation on monolingual data.

Semantics: John waters the [Plant/Bike]

Syntax: I have three [bags/pencil]

- Issue:

- Relied on existed translation model.
- Unable to address the syntactic and semantic errors efficiently after data augmentation.



original pair	augmented pair
$S : s_1, \dots, s_i, \dots, s_n$	$S' : s_1, \dots, s'_i, \dots, s_n$
$T : t_1, \dots, t_j, \dots, t_m$	$T' : t_1, \dots, t'_j, \dots, t_m$

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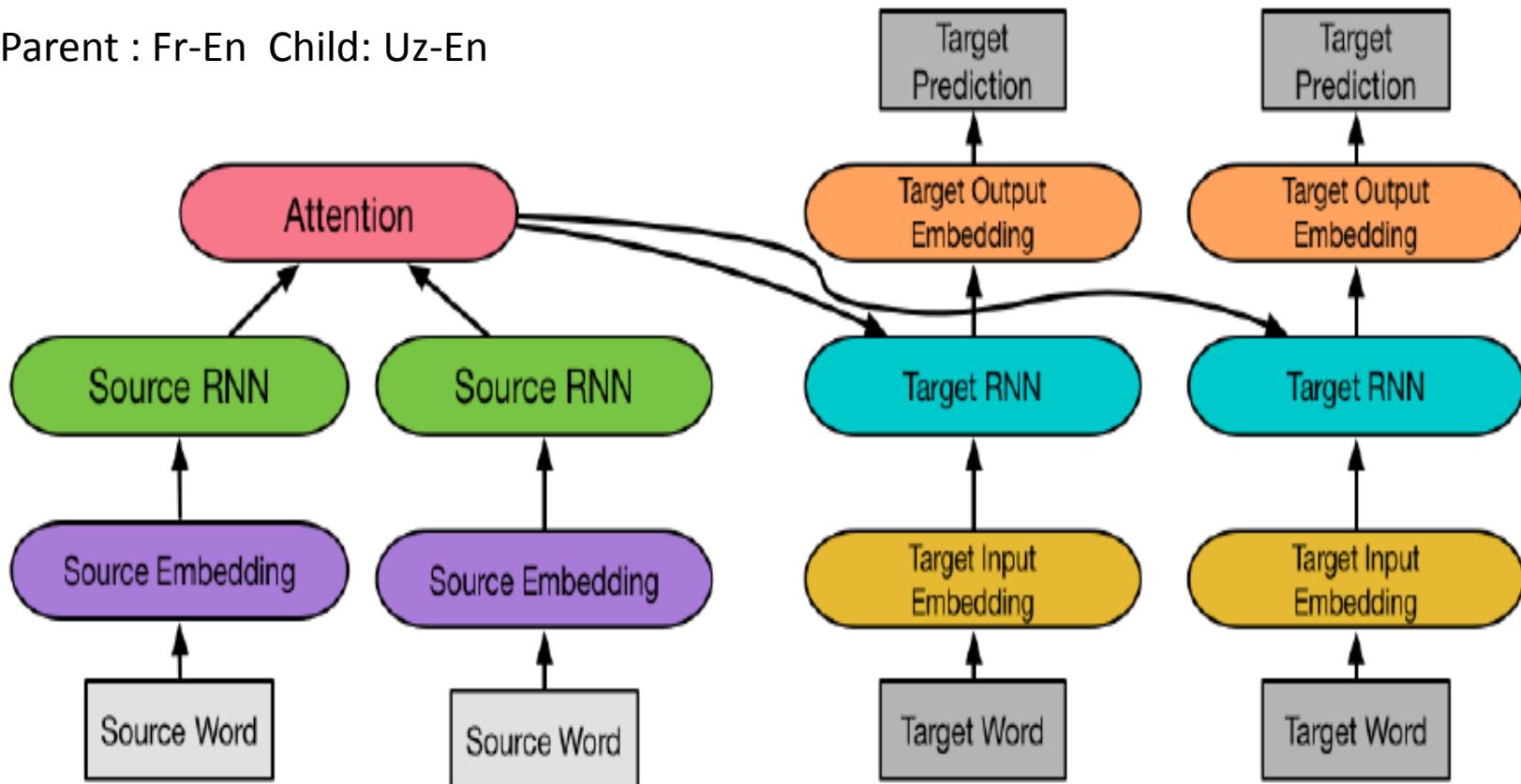
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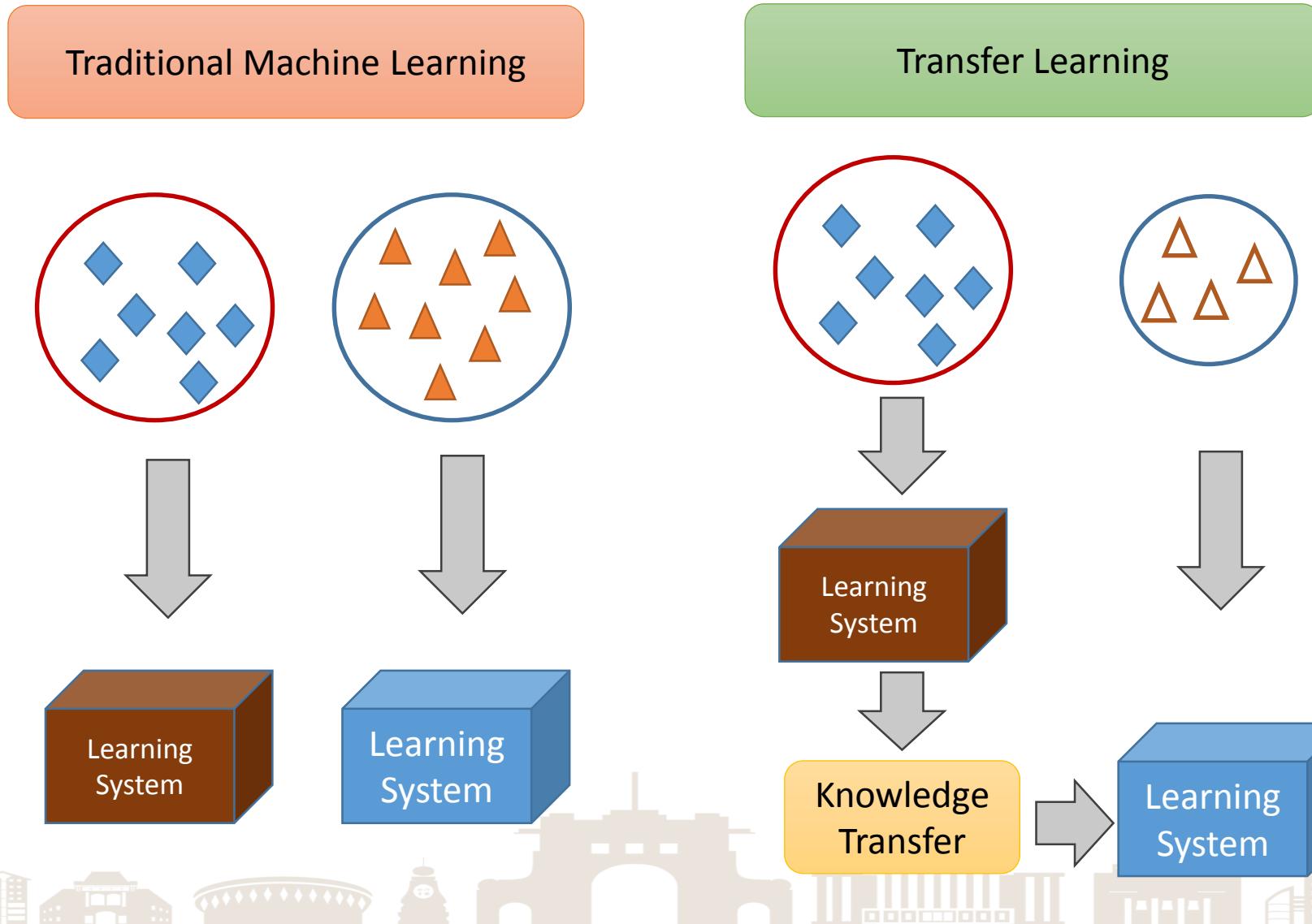
Optimal setting for transferring from **parent** model to **child** model.

Parent : Fr-En Child: Uz-En



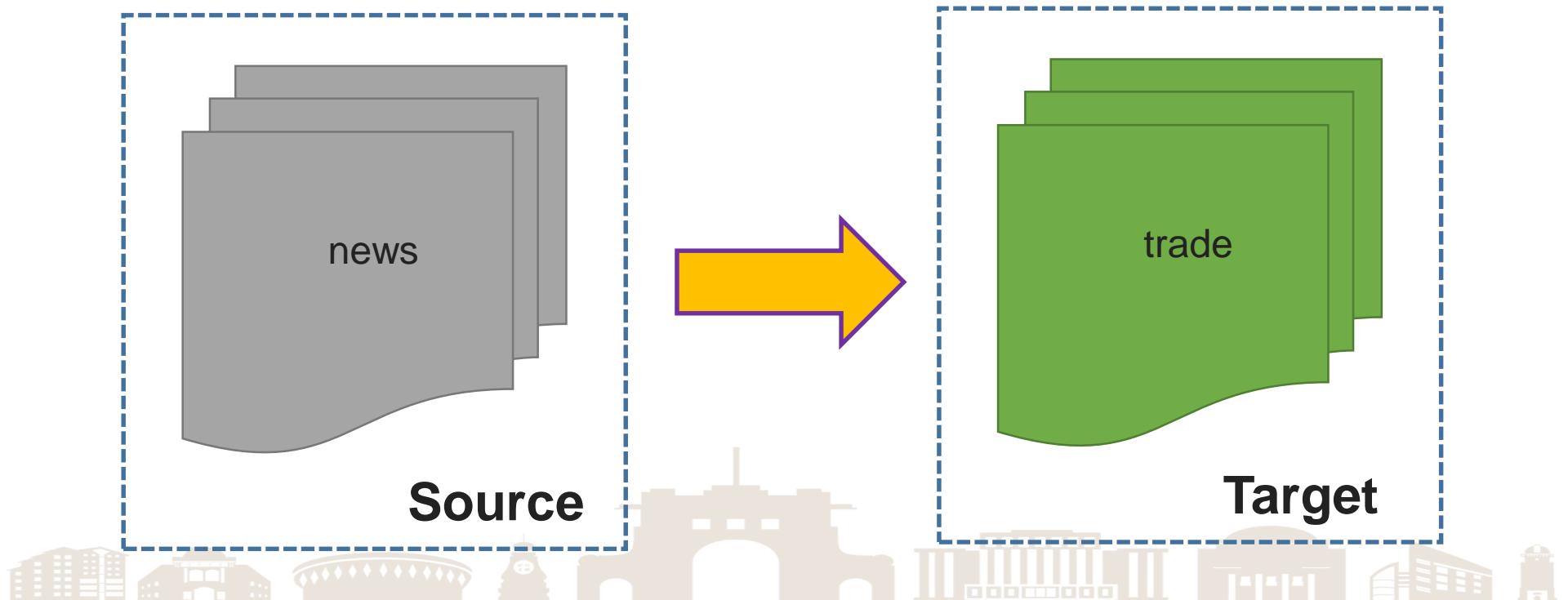
[Barret Zoph et al., 2016]

# Transfer Learning & Machine Learning



# Transfer Learning – domain adaptation

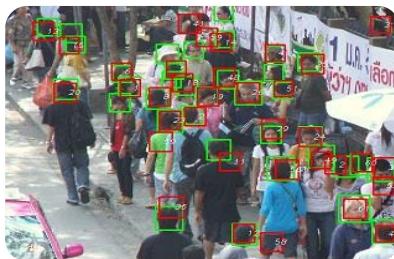
This scenario arises when we **aim at** learning from a **source** data distribution a well performing model on a **different** (but related) **target** data distribution.



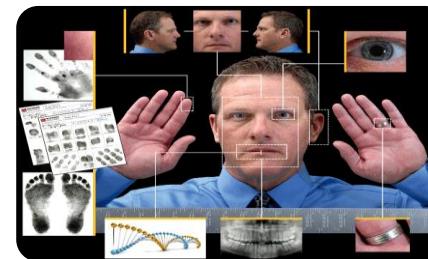
# Transfer Learning – domain adaptation

In Natural Language Processing (NLP), train a system on some language data, retune && apply it to specific different task.

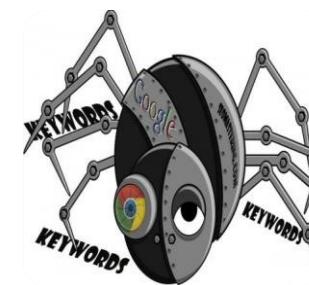
Build speech recognition system using **recorded phone calls**, then tune it to use as an **airline reservation hotline**.



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# Multi-Round Transfer Learning for Low-Resource NMT Using Multiple High-Resource Languages

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# Methodology - NMT

- $X, Y$ ; Raw source and target sentences.
- Given source sentences  $X = x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_I$  and target sentence  $Y = y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_I$
- Standard NMT models usually factorize the sentence-level translation probability as a product of word-level probabilities:
- $P(y|x; \theta) = \prod_{j=1}^J P(y_i|x, y_{<j}; \theta)$
- $\theta$  is model parameters,  $y_{<j}$  is partial translation.



# Methodology – Transfer Learning

- We take the  $L_3 \rightarrow L_2$  as parent and  $L_1 \rightarrow L_2$  as child language pair.  $L_3$  and  $L_1$  are source languages of parent and child ,respectively,  $L_2$  is the target language for both.

- $\theta_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2} = \{<e_{L_3}, W, e_{L_2}>\}$  while  $e_{L_3}$  and  $e_{L_3}$  source and target embedding of parent model,  $W$  is parameters.

- $\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2}} \{L(D_{L_3}, \theta_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})\}$  train the parent model  $M_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2}$

- Then fine-tune the child model  $M_{L_1 \rightarrow L_2}$  with parent model  $M_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2}$ :

- $\theta_{L_1 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})$ , while  $f$  is initialization function.

# Main Idea

- we aim to deal with the problem of how to make full use of these corpora of highly related **multiple languages**, to increase the translation quality of the child model.
- Increase the similar even identical words between parent and child language by using **unified transliteration method**.



# Original Transfer Learning

- The original TL transfers parameters of parent model into child model.

$$\theta_{L_3} = \{\langle e_{L_3}, W, e_{L_3} \rangle\}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2}} \{L(D_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2}, \theta_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})\}$$

$$\theta_{L_1 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})$$



[Barret Zoph et al., 2016]

# Modified Transfer Learning

- The modified TL transfers parameters of parent model into child model from one parent with different domains.

$$\theta_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2} \left\{ L(D_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2}, \theta_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2}) \right\}$$

$$\theta_{L_1 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{\hat{L}_3 \rightarrow L_2})$$



[Passban et al., 2017]

# Multi-round Transfer Learning

- The **central idea** of our proposed MRTL is to encourage the child model receive more information from different parent models.

$$\theta_{L_4 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_3 \rightarrow L_2})$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{L_4 \rightarrow L_2} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_{L_4 \rightarrow L_2}} \{L(D_{L_4 \rightarrow L_2}, \theta_{L_4 \rightarrow L_2})\}$$

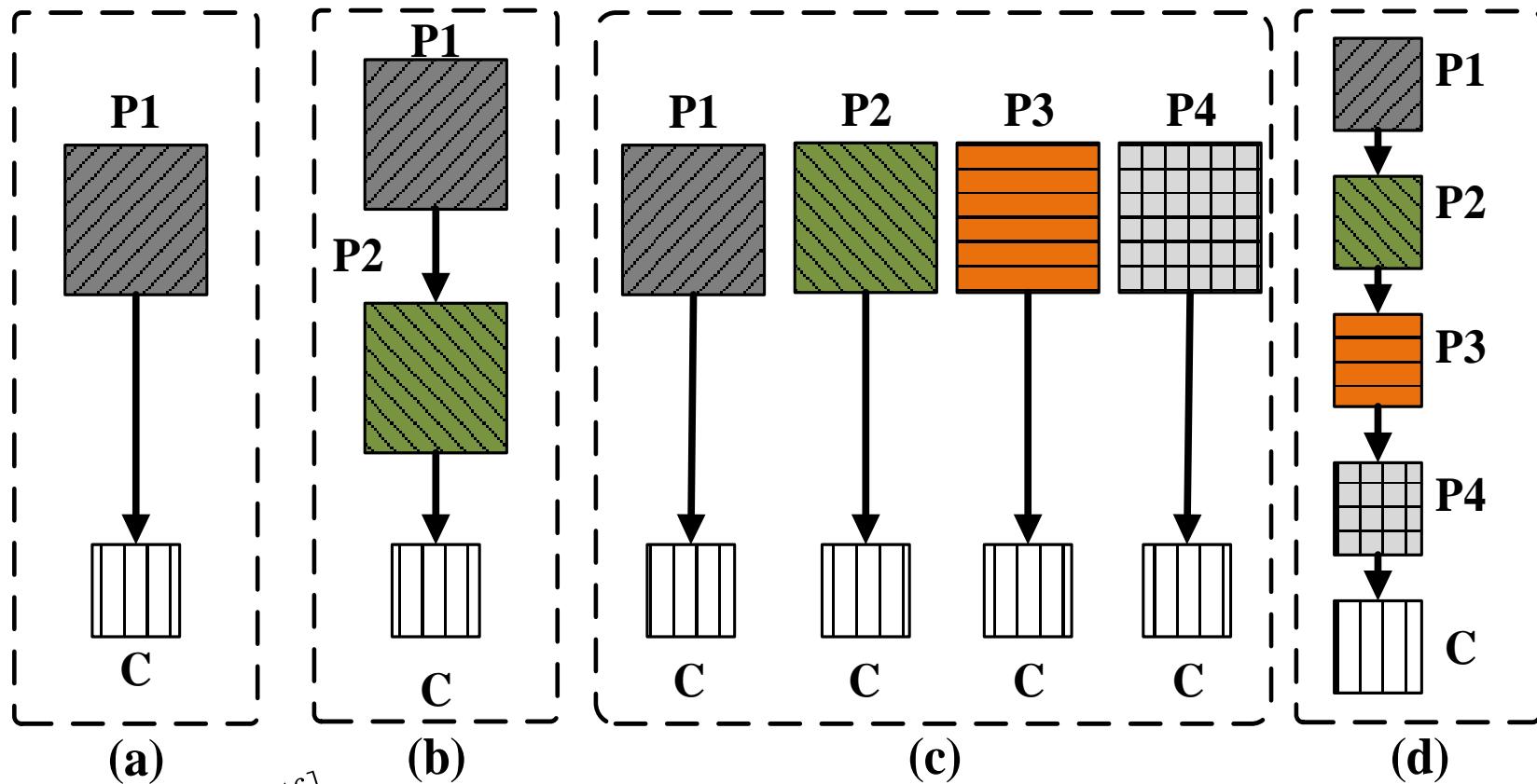
$\vdots = \vdots$

$$\theta_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_k \rightarrow L_2})$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2}} \{L(D_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2}, \theta_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2})\}$$

$$\theta_{L_1 \rightarrow L_2} = f(\hat{\theta}_{L_{k+1} \rightarrow L_2})$$

# Multi-round Transfer Learning



This work

# Language pairs

## Language features of all languages used in our experiments

Language		Family	Group	Branch	Order	Unit	Inflection
Arabic	(Ar)	Hamito-Semitic	Semitic	South	VSO	Word	High
Farsi	(Fa)	Indo-European	Indic	West	SOV	Word	Moderate
Urdu	(Ur)		Iranian	Iranian	SOV	Word	Moderate
Finnish	(Fi)	Uralic	Finno-Ugric	Finnish	SVO	Word	Moderate
Hungarian	(Hu)			Ugric	SVO	Word	Moderate
Turkish	(Tr)	Altaic	Turkic	Oghuz	SOV	Word	Moderate
Uyghur	(Uy)			Qarluq	SOV	Word	Moderate
Chinese	(Ch)	Sino-Tibetan	Chinese	Sinitic	SVO	Character	Light



# Corpora

## Characteristics of all languages parallel corpora.

Languages	Train	Dev	Test	Source		Target	
				Vocab.	# Word	Vocab.	# Word
Ar → Ch	5.1M	2.0K	2.0K	1.0M	32.2M	0.5M	37.4M
Fa → Ch	1.4M	2.0K	1.0K	0.2M	10.4M	0.2M	10.0M
Ur → Ch	78.0K	1.0K	1.0K	17.6K	2.6M	12.7K	2.4M
Fi → Ch	2.8M	2.0K	1.0K	0.7M	18.4M	0.3M	23.1M
Hu → Ch	4.1M	2.0K	1.0K	1.0M	30.4M	0.5M	32.5M
Tr → Ch	4.4M	2.0K	1.0K	0.7M	30.6M	0.5M	35.9M
Uy → Ch	46.3K	1.0K	1.0K	73.5K	1.1M	42.1K	11.2M

The “Vocab.” and “# Word” represent vocabulary (word type) and word token, respectively



# Shared words

## The shared words between each languages

	Ar	Fa	Ur	Fi	Hu	Tr	Uy
Ar		11.49%	8.31%	0.52%	0.45%	0.73%	0.77%
Fa	2.34%		8.29%	0.27%	0.30%	0.32%	0.57%
Ur	0.15%	0.75%		0.01%	0.01%	0.03%	0.11%
Fi	0.36%	0.94%	0.53%		2.74%	3.80%	0.50%
Hu	0.45%	1.46%	0.70%	3.85%		5.07%	0.75%
Tr	0.57%	1.22%	1.14%	4.22%	4.01%		2.47%
Uy	0.06%	0.21%	0.47%	0.05%	0.06%	0.24%	

The Ar, Fa, Ur, and Uy are converted with proposed unified transliteration method. Besides, shared word rate calculated as the division of shared word numbers to word type counts of the language in each column.



# Methodology – Unified Transliteration

## The shared words between each languages

Language	Original	Latin	Chinese	English	Unified
Ar	مدرسة	maktab			
Uy	مەكتەپ	mektep	学校	School	mektep
Tr	okul	mektep			
Fa	باغ وحش	bağça			
Uy	باغچا	bağça	果园	Orchard	bagça
Tr	bahçesi	bahçe			
Ar	غرفة القراءة	qiraaaatxana			
Fa	اتاق مطالعه	qiraaaat xana	阅览室	Reading room	qiraetxana
Tr	Okuma odası	kuraathane			
Uy	قراءة تخانى	qiraetxana			

The second column “Original” represents prototype scripts of corresponding languages. Besides, the last column “Unified” stands for the converted format with unified transliteration method.



# Methodology – Unified Transliteration

**Algorithm 1:** Unified Transliteration Method

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Input: the source side monolingual sentences  $D_{sm} = \{x_{sm}^m\}_{m=1}^M$  of parent (child).
Output: the transliterated word sequence in current sentences  $D'_{sm}$ .
/* Initialize the variables.
Currentl ← the word sequence in current line among  $D_{sm}$ ;
Outputc ← the transliterated word sequence in current line among  $D'_{sm}$ ;
Read the source side monolingual sentences  $D_{sm}$  of parent (child);
for each line in  $D_{sm}$  do
    /* the current line should be decoded as ‘‘utf-8’’.
    Currentl ← each line.decode('utf-8');
    /* split the current line with white space and save them as a list.
    Currentl ← Currentl.strip().split();
    for each word in Currentl do
        for each char in each word do
            /* check each char from the manually prepared mapping table.
            each charlatin ← each char;
        end
        /* check the each word if contains same repeated char continually.
        if Is Contain repeated char in each charlatin then
            compare the length of Currentl and the length of Latinized Currentl;
            remove repeated each charlatin from each word;
        end
        convert them into unified form sequentially;
        each word ← sums of unified chars after removing repeated chars;
        final word ← each word ;                                /* reserve the final word.
    end
    Outputc ← the joint sequence of final words with white-space
end

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# Experiment

- System : THUMT
- Parameters :
  - Dropout 0.1
  - Word Embedding 620
  - Hidden State 1000
  - Vocabulary : **source 3w, target 29k**
- Other parameter we use the default parameters of THUMT
- Preprocess
  - Clear data use [NiuTrans](#) , Chinese segmenter use [THULAC](#)
  - Some processing tools designed by us



# Experiment

- GPU: 4
- GPU type: NVIDIA TITAN X (Pascal)
- Training time : less than 3-4 days (include fine-tuning)
- Corpus :
  - Parent : Open Subtitle2016 and Tanzil corpora
  - Child : Chinese-LDC (CLDC) corpus
- UNK replace : NO
- BPE : Yes



# Experiment

## The Effect of unified transliteration method for MRTL.

Method	Round	Parent	Child	BLEU
TRANSFORMER	R=0	N/A		28.28
MRTL (Original)		Ur → Ch		10.29
		Fa → Ch		28.83
	R=1	Ar → Ch	Uy → Ch	30.64 <sup>++</sup>
		Ur → Ch		10.93*
MRTL (Unified)		Fa → Ch		29.96 <sup>****</sup>
		Ar → Ch		31.64 <sup>***</sup>



# Experiment

## The Effect of corpus size to child model in single fine-tuning.

Method	Parent	Child	BLEU
TRANSFORMER	N/A		28.28
MRTL (R=1)	Tr → Ch (0.5M)	Uy → Ch	29.89 <sup>++</sup>
	Tr → Ch (2.4M)		30.88 <sup>++b</sup>
	Tr → Ch (4.4M)		32.74 <sup>++h</sup>



# Experiment

## The effect of parent language pairs to

Method	Parent	Child	BLEU
TRANSFORMER	N/A		28.28
	<i>Ur</i> → <i>Ch</i>		10.93
	<i>Fa</i> → <i>Ch</i>		29.96 <sup>++</sup>
	<i>Fi</i> → <i>Ch</i>	<i>Uy</i> → <i>Ch</i>	30.85 <sup>++</sup>
MRTL (R=1)	<i>Tr</i> → <i>Ch</i> (2.4M)		30.88 <sup>++*</sup>
	<i>Ar</i> → <i>Ch</i>		31.64 <sup>++*</sup>
	<i>Hu</i> → <i>Ch</i>		32.41 <sup>++o</sup>
	<i>Tr</i> → <i>Ch</i> (4.4M)		32.74 <sup>++†</sup>



# Experiment

## Parent Language Selection

Different language **family**

MRTL	Parent	Family	Domain	Size	Child	BLEU
R=0	N/A	Altaic	CLDC	46.3K	Uy → Ch	28.28
R=1	Hu → Ch Tr → Ch	Uralic Altaic	Open Subtile	4.1M		32.41 <sup>++</sup> 32.58 <sup>++</sup>

Different **domain**

MRTL	Parent	Family	Domain	Size	Child	BLEU
R=0	N/A	Altaic	CLDC	46.3K	Uy → Ch	28.28
R=1	Ur → Ch Fa → Ch	Indo-European	Tanzil Open Subtitle	78.0K		10.93 24.27

Different **corpus size**

MRTL	Parent	Family	Domain	Size	Child	BLEU
R=0	N/A	Altaic	CLDC	46.3K	Uy → Ch	28.28
R=1	Fi → Ch Hu → Ch	Uralic	Open Subtile	2.8M 4.1M		30.85 <sup>++</sup> 32.41 <sup>++</sup>



# Experiment

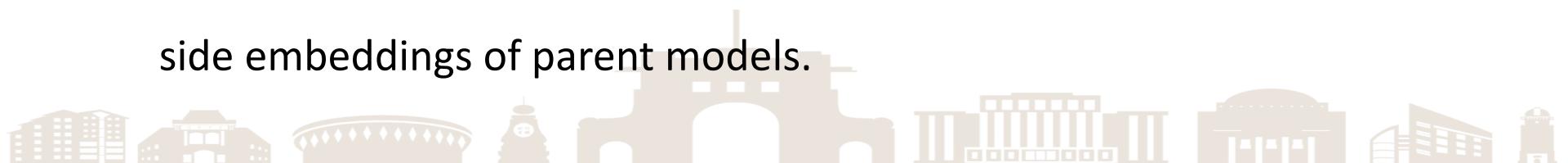
## The Effect of MRTL.

Method	Round	Parent	Child	BLEU
TRANSFORMER	R=0	N/A		28.28
MANY-to-ONE				32.43 <sup>++</sup>
MRTL	R=1	Tr (4.4M) → Ch		32.03 <sup>++</sup>
	R=2	Tr (4.4M), (2.4M) → Ch		32.54 <sup>++</sup>
	R=3	Tr (4.4M), (2.4M), Fi → Ch	Uy → Ch	33.54 <sup>++‡*</sup>
		Tr (4.4M), (2.4M), Fi, Hu → Ch		33.66 <sup>++**</sup>
	R=4	Ar (Unified), Tr (4.4M), Hu, Fi → Ch		33.73 <sup>++**</sup>
		Tr (4.4M), Ar (Unified), Hu, Fi → Ch		33.91 <sup>++**</sup>



# Conclusions

- We address the **drawbacks of TL**, which exploits **only** one parent to optimize the child model at a time.
- We **mitigate** the gap between parent and child language pairs at the **character** level.
- We achieve **transparency** in network architectures, as well as in our method for neural network architecture.
- We observe meaningful discovery **by sharing both** source side and target side embeddings of parent models.





# Discussion on Bilingual Cognition in International Exchange Activities

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# How to Understand: Three Types of Bilingual Information Processing?

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# Motivation: human-machine translation

Source sentence:

At the meeting on UN Operational Activities for Development, Wang also stressed that developed countries should bear the primary responsibility for financing for development.

Machine translation:

联合国发展业务活动的一次会议上，王汉斌还强调，发达国家应发展筹资问题负有主要责任。



Final translation:

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(Guoping Huang, Qcon2018)

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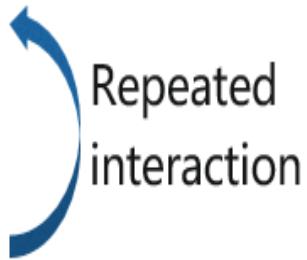
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**Human partial input:**

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**Human-machine interact translation:**

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# Methodology – three types of bilingualism

- Narrow bilingualism

- Chinese – English

- Alternative bilingualism

- Terminologies and popular sayings

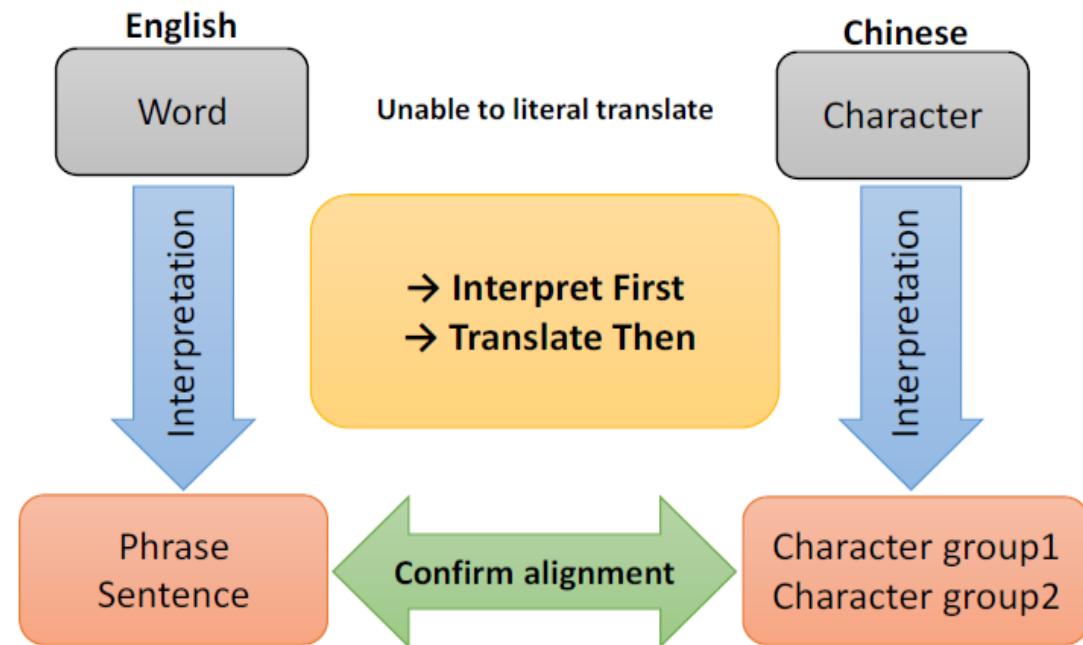
- Generalized bilingualism

- Mathematical language of arithmetic numbers and natural language of Chinese characters



# Methodology

- Replacing
- Switching
- Dropping
- Editing
- Adding



**Fig. 1.** The sketching graph for narrow bilingual information processing model.



# Methodology

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## Algorithm 1 Bilingual Information Processing.

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**Input:** Given bilingual corpus  $L, L = \{\langle \mathbf{x}^{(n)}, \mathbf{y}^{(n)} \rangle\}_{n=1}^N$

**Output:** translation result  $y$

- 1: **for**  $t = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots, N$  **do do**
  - 2:     Generate “Phrase Set” and modify sentence structures
  - 3:     Select some words and modify its position among sentence  $S$
  - 4:     Remove the original input from the testset
  - 5:     Feed the revised sentence  $S'$  to the testset
  - 6:     Translate final input
  - 7: **end for**
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# Our work (Word segmentation)

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*Not good as we expected*



# Our work (Data Augmentation)

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*We have been doing corresponding experiments...*



# Outline

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# Projects

- Project1: “少数民族网络舆情综合分析与云服务关键技术研究及应用示范”
- Project2: “跨语言社会舆情分析基础理论与关键技术
- Project3: “面向三元空间的互联网中文信息处理理论与方法”
- Project4: “基于深度学习的维汉机器翻译”





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群众组成方队，面对的是中共中央，全国人民代表大会常务委员会、国务院；，全国政协；中央军事委员会；各民主党派、全国工商联及无党派爱国人士，各人民团体和各界群众、老战士、老同志和革命先烈的家属。以中国少先队命名的九个大型花束排列。

(ھۇممەت قازاۋۇلىرى تېپىللىكىلار)، دېكەن بۇرۇق بېرىلىشى بىلەن، ئۆج تاربىيەنىك ھۇممەت قازاۋۇلىرى مەرداň، مەزۇت، ھۇممەت قەدم بىلەن خاتىرە مۇنارىنىڭ ئالدىغا كېلىپ، مىشقاىرىنى تۇنۇپ تىك تۇردى.

دەل سائەت 10:10، خەلق قەھرىمانلىرىنىڭ كۆل سېۋىتىنى تەقدم قىلىش مۇزاسىمىي رەسمىي باشلاندى. ھەربىي ئۇركىپستەر «پىشىلار مارشى»نى ئۇرۇنىدى، بۇئۇن مەيداندىكىلەر جۇڭخوا خەلق جۇمھۇرىيەتنىنىڭ دۆلەت شىئىرىنى ئۇنلاۋ ئۇرۇقىدى.

دۆلەت شىئىرى ئۇقۇلۇپ بولغاندىن كېمىن، بۇئۇن مەيداندىكىلەر سۈكۈتتە تۇرۇپ جۇڭگۇ خەلقنىڭ ئازادىق ئىشلىرى ۋە جۇمھۇرىيەتنىش قۇرۇلۇش ئىشلىرى ئۈچۈن قەھرىمانلارچە ئۇزۇنى بېغىشلىغان ئىشلىلىرى قوربانلارغا تەزىبىي بىلدۈردى.

تەزىبىي بىلدۈرۈش ئاباغلاشقاندىن كېپىن، گۈل تۇنغان ئۆسۈلەر، باللار خەلق قەھرىمانلىرى خاتىرە مۇنارىغا بۈزىلىنىپ تۇرۇپ، «بىز كومۇنىزم اشىياسارلىرى»نى ئۇرۇقىدى ھەم پىيونپىلار ئەترىتىنىڭ ئەترەت سالىمنى بەردى.

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ھەربىي ئۇركىپستەر جۇڭقۇر مۇھەببەتكە تۈلغان گۈل تەقدم قىلىش مۇزىكىسىنى تۇرۇلىغاندا، 18 ھۇممەت قازاۋۇلى گۈل سېۋەتلىرىنى كۆتۈرۈپ، ئاستا قەددىمەر بىلەن خەلق قەھرىمانلىرى خاتىرە مۇنارىغا قاربىكىم، گۈل بىۋەتلىرىنى ئاستە مۇنارىنىڭ ئۆل ئەجىسىكە قوبىدى.

شى جىنپىلاڭ قاتارلىق بارتىيە ۋە دۆلەت رەھىبلىرى ئارقىدىن خاتىرە مۇنارى ئۆل ئەتكىچىكە چىقىت، گۈل سېۋىتى ئالدىدا توخناب، خېلى ئۇزاق سۈكۈتتە ئۇردى، ئۇرتقاشەك خۇنجاڭا، بۇرۇكلىپ ئېچىلغان گۈللىمىسى، چىراپلىق ئاسىسا مەۋاپىتىڭىلەك خەلق قەھرىمانلىرىنى چوقۇر ئەسلىش ۋە ئالىي ئېتىتمەن

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ئايىنك 6 - كۈنى كەچتە، « سىزنى سۈپىمەن » دېگەن تېمىدىكى چىراق نۇرى كەچىدىكى ئۇرۇمچى شەھىرىدە - 10 نومۇر ئىلىس، گۈزەل تۈسکە كىرىدى. ھەر مىللەت شەھەر ناھاللىرى ۋە شىنجاڭغا كەلگەن نۇرغۇن ساياھەتچىلەرنىڭ بايۆس سەپىسى، كۈلكە سادالىرى جىڭىخۇا خەلق جۇمھۇرىتى قۇرۇلغانلىقىنىڭ 69 يىللەقنى قىرغىن تەبرىكلىدى



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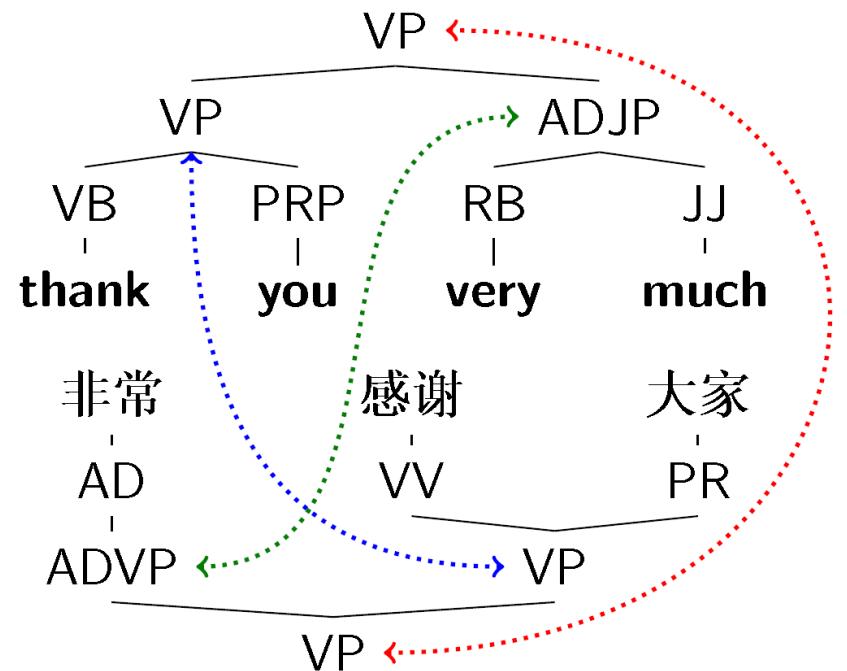
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