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SEMESTER (Autumn)

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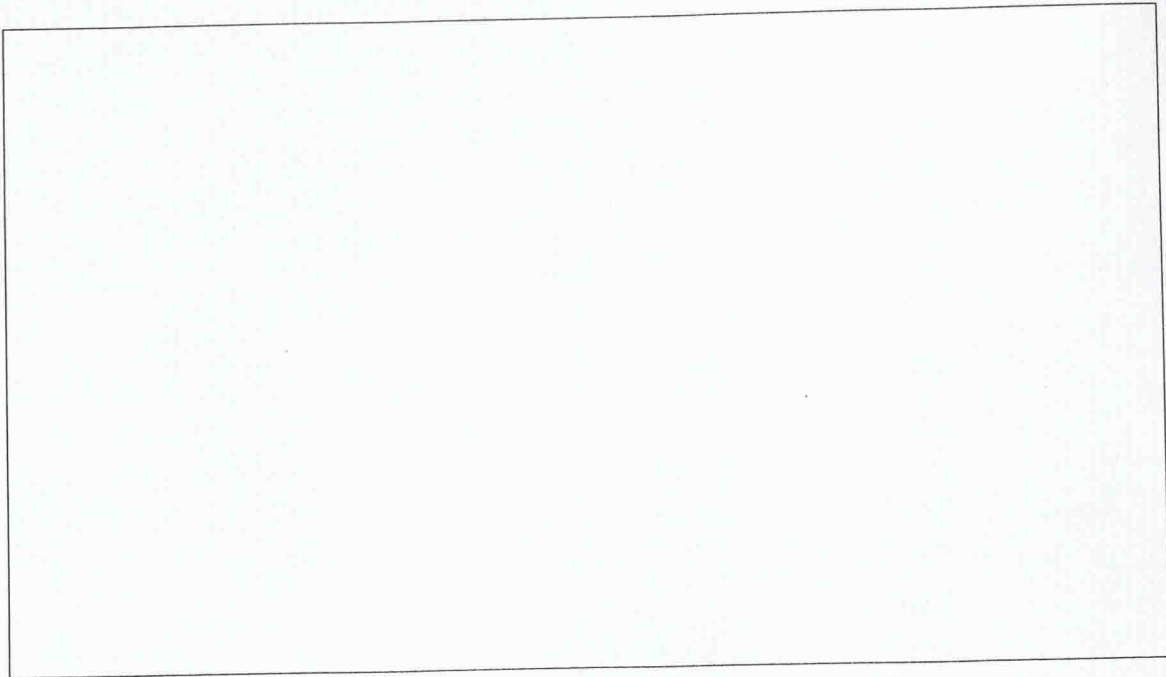
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1. (a) (4 points) Although pre-trained word vectors work very well in many practical downstream tasks, in some settings it's best to continue to learn (i.e. 'retrain') the word vectors as parameters of our neural network.
- i. State why retraining may improve the results in certain situations.
 - ii. Describe a situation where retraining the word vectors may hurt the model.

- (b) (4 points) Word2Vec represents a family of embedding algorithms that are commonly used in a variety of contexts. Suppose in a recommender system for online shopping, we have the transaction sequences for items purchased by each user. For example, a user u_i purchases items $p_{i1}, p_{i2}, \dots, p_{iN_i}$. The total set of items is given by x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . Explain how you would use ideas similar to Word2Vec to recommend similar items to users who have shown interest in any one of the items.

2. (a) (2 points) State two disadvantages of a ngram based language model.
(b) (2 points) State two advantages of a RNN based language model compared with a ngram language model.
(c) (1 point) State one advantage of a LSTM language model compared to a RNN language model.



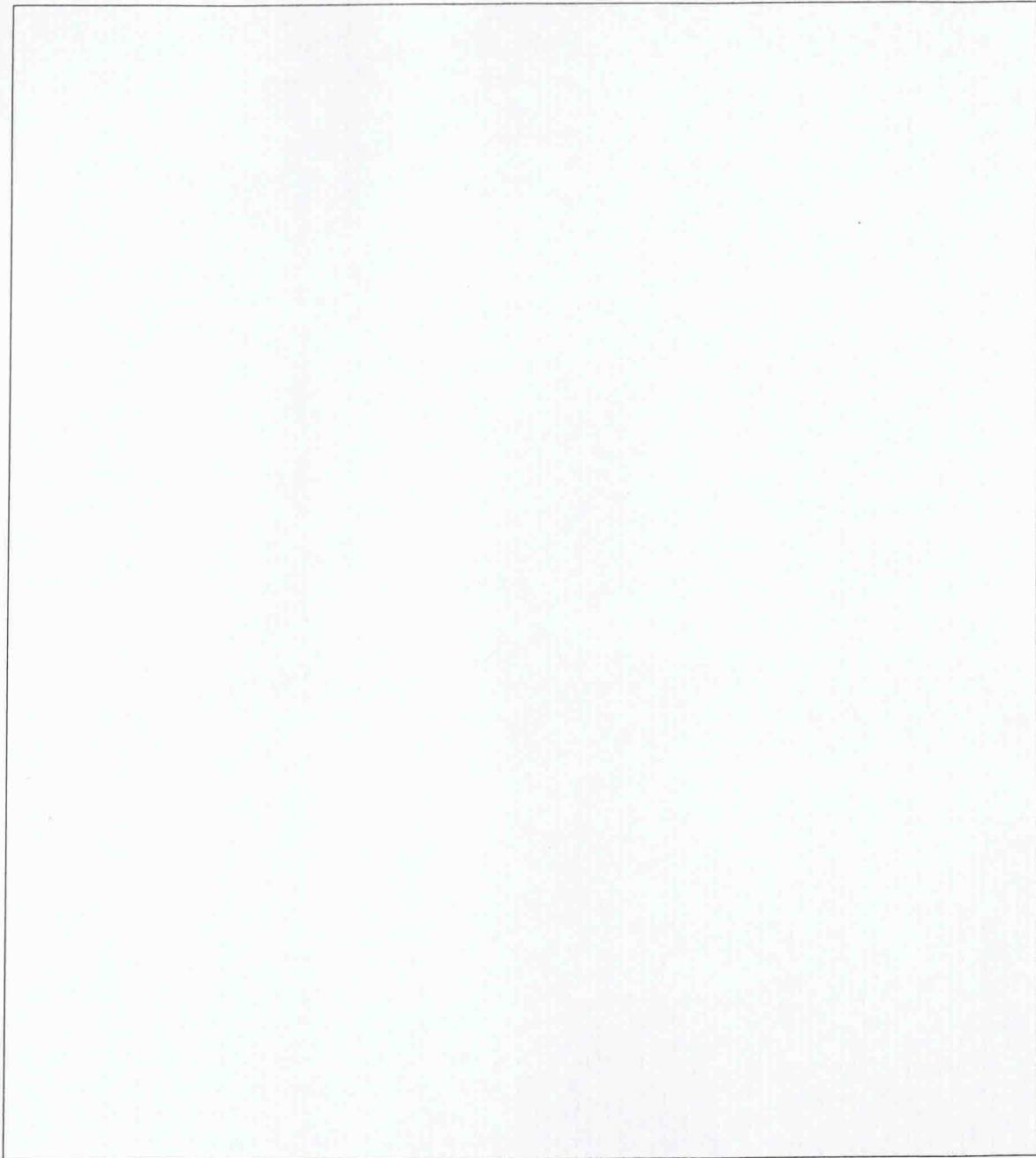
3. (a) (4 points) Assuming the grammar below, show the parse tree for the sentence

The young girl went to the movie.

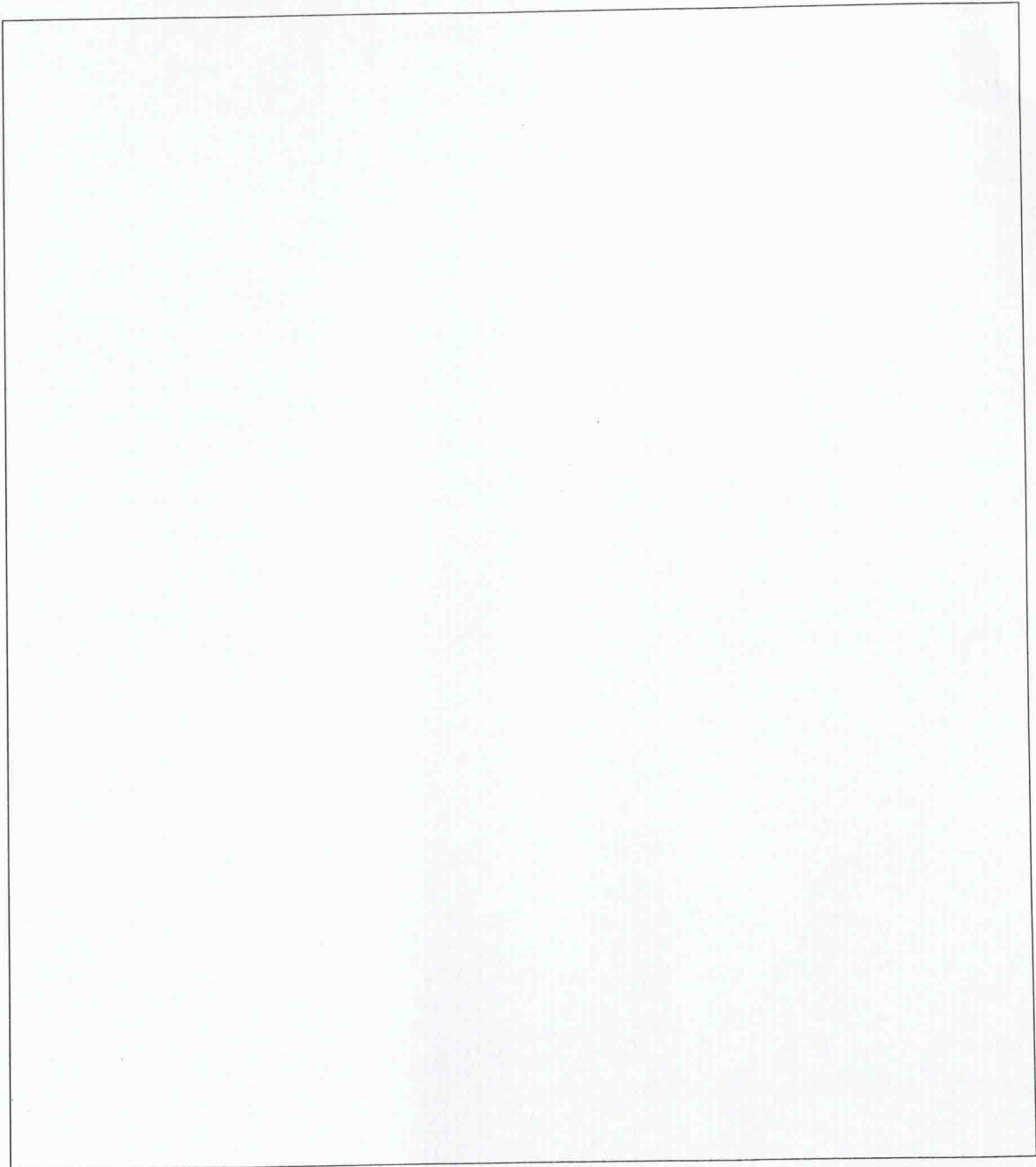
S → NP VP
VP → VP PP
VP → verb NP
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NP → DET NOM
NOM → ADJ NOM
NOM → NOUN
PP → PREP NP
DET → the
ADJ → young
NOUN → girl
VERB → went
PREP → to
NOUN → movie

- (b) (4 points) Show how you would have to modify the grammar above to handle the following sentence.

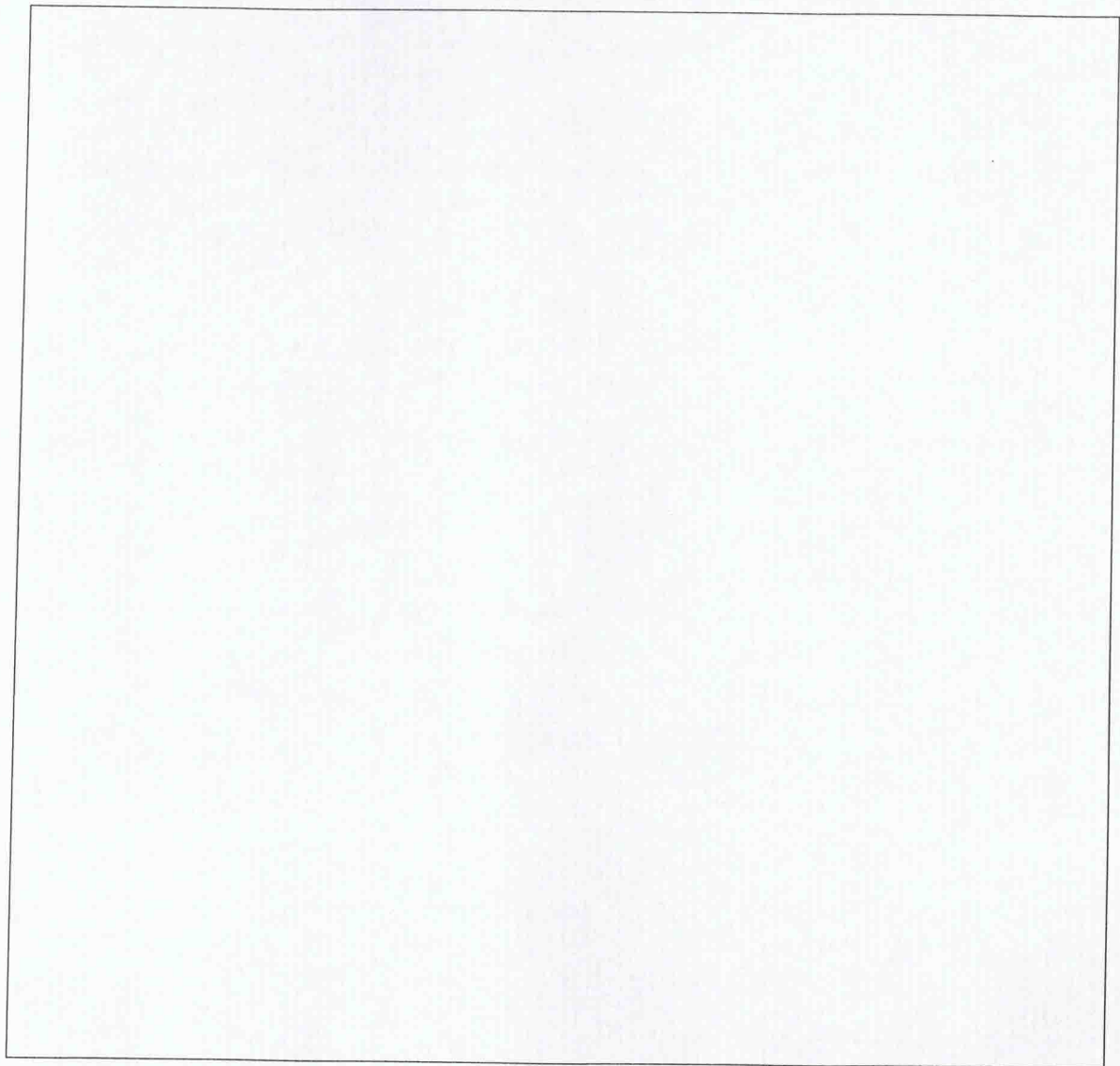
The girl in the red dress went inside the park.



4. Consider the problem of text classification where a document needs to be classified into one of K classes.
- (a) (6 points) Design a simple CNN for the text classification task. Draw the corresponding network and describe the input, the output, the layers and their functions.
 - (b) (2 points) What is one advantage of using a CNN compared to using a RNN for text classification?



5. (a) (4 points) How is noisy channel model applied to machine translation? What are the two components of the noisy channel model?
- (b) (5 points) Describe the steps in the generative process of IBM model 1 that can be used to generate a string f in the target language from an English string e .

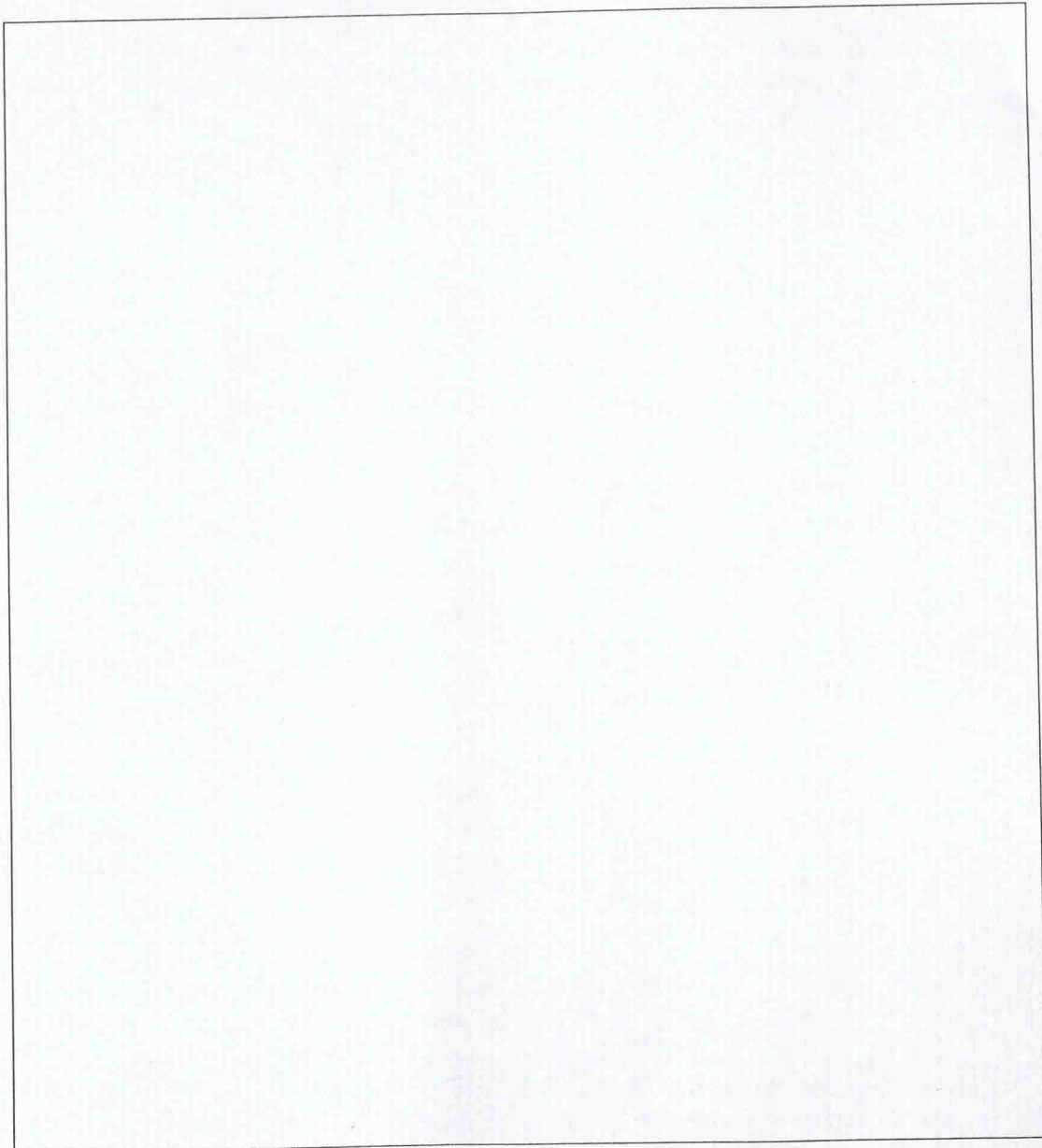


6. (a) (10 points) Assume a basic encoder-decoder based neural machine translation system without attention. Assume a single layer RNN based system.

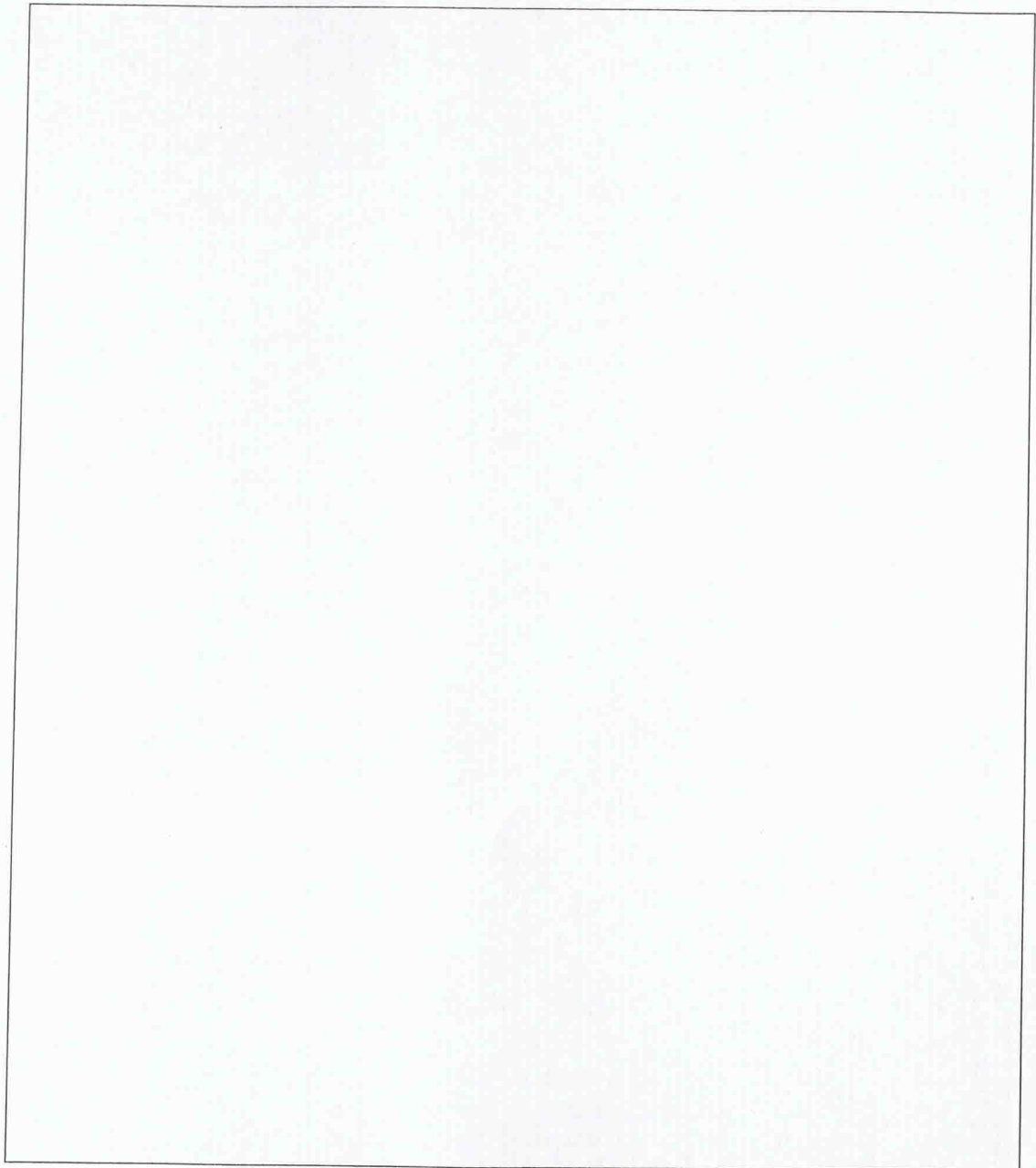
During training, the system takes as input pairs of sentences in two languages. Consider a sentence in source language $f_1 f_2 \dots f_n$ and its translation $e_1 e_2 \dots e_m$.

Assume that the vocabulary size of the source language is V_f and that of the target language is V_e . Assume word vectors of size 300. State your assumptions about the other dimensions.

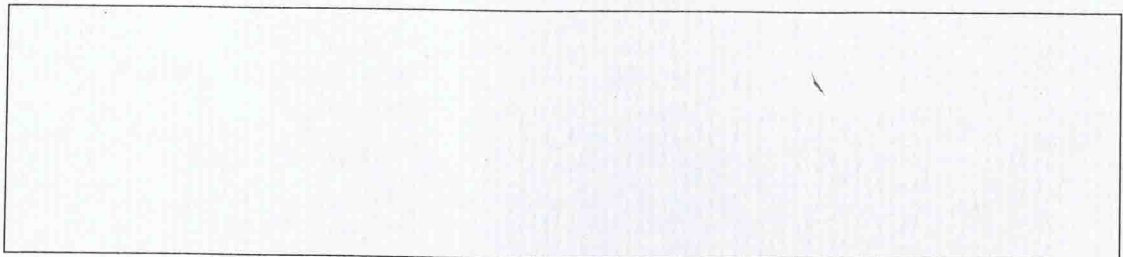
Draw the encoder decoder cells and all other units for this example. Show all the input and output connections for each cell in the encoder and the decoder. Indicate the various parameters and their dimensions.



- (b) (10 points) Suppose at test time you feed a sentence $\phi_1\phi_2\ldots\phi_k$. Explain precisely how the translated sentence in the target language is recovered when you use the following decoders:
- i. greedy decoder
 - ii. beam search based decoder



- (c) (2 points) Why is the model not expected to work well when the source sentence is too long?



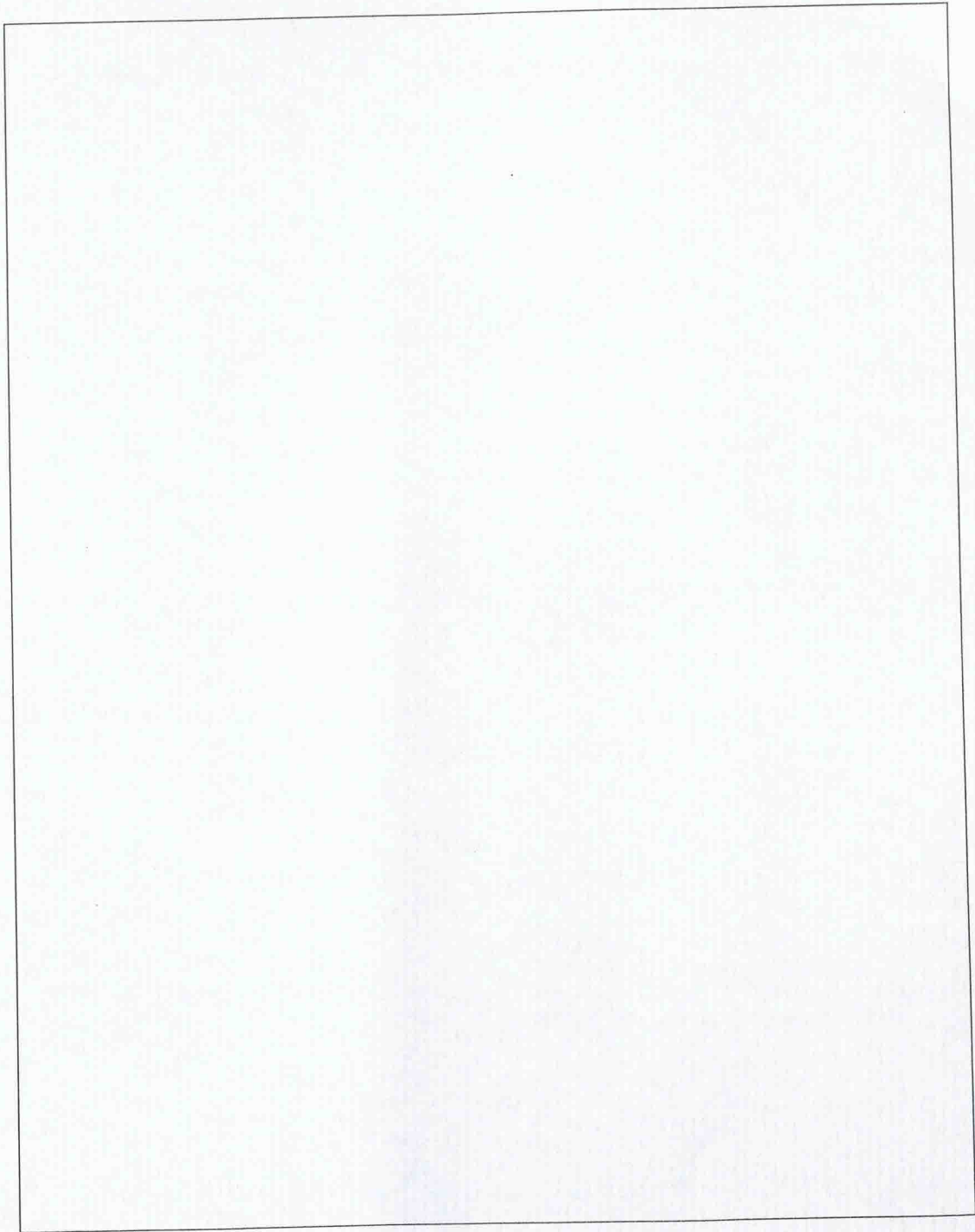
- (d) (4 points) The encoder-decoder model may be enhanced with attention. For an attention computation method of your choice, show how exactly the alignment score and the attention is computed when decoding the first word.
- (e) (2 points) Explain how the attention model helps to get better translation for longer sentences.

7. Consider the task of sentiment analysis. The input is a sentence and the output is a sentiment class between 1 (very negative) and 5 (very positive). Consider the following alternative models for this task:

1. RNN model
2. LSTM model
3. CNN model

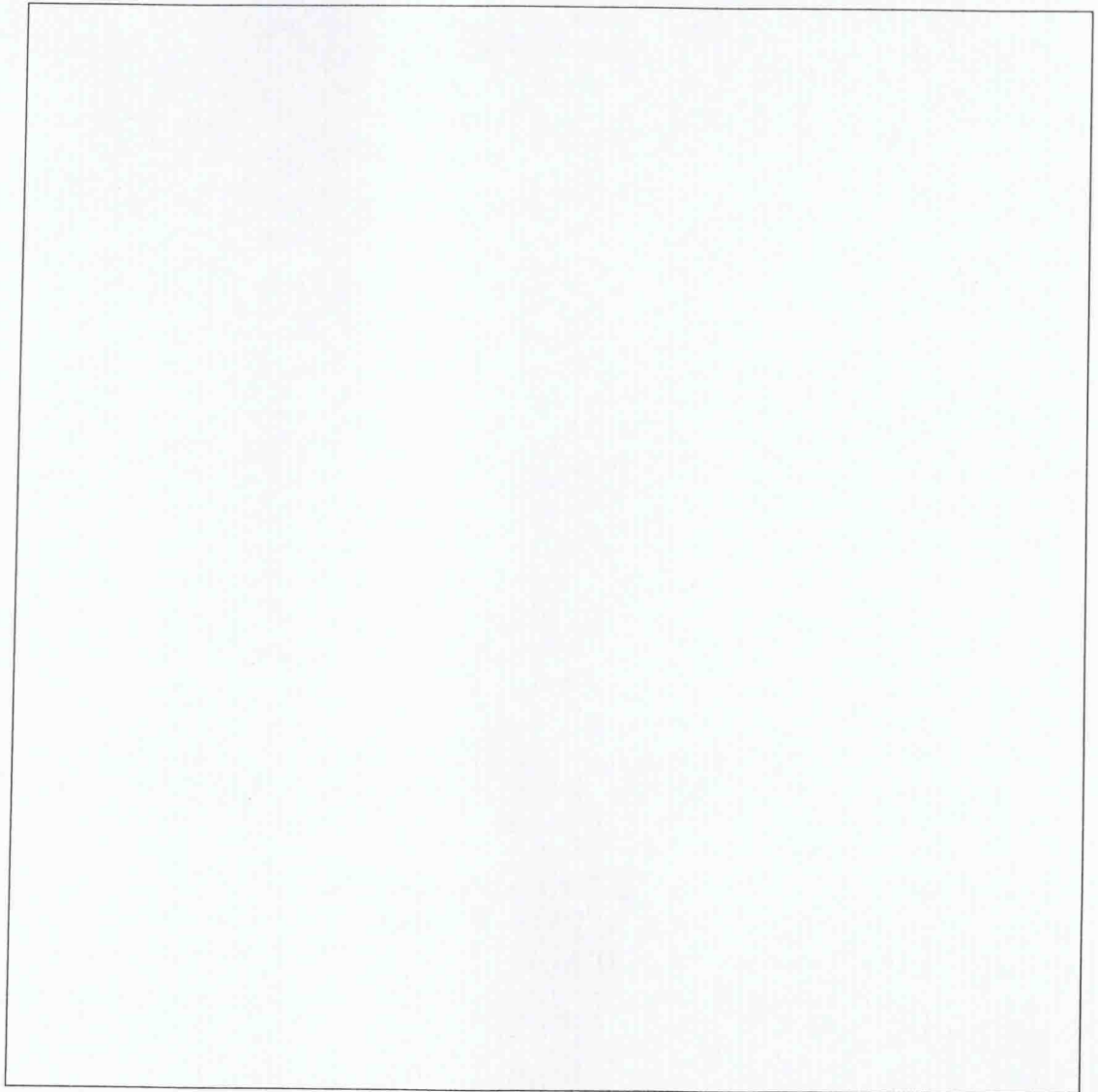
For all the models below, assume that the vocabulary size is V and you use D -dimensional word embedding vectors.

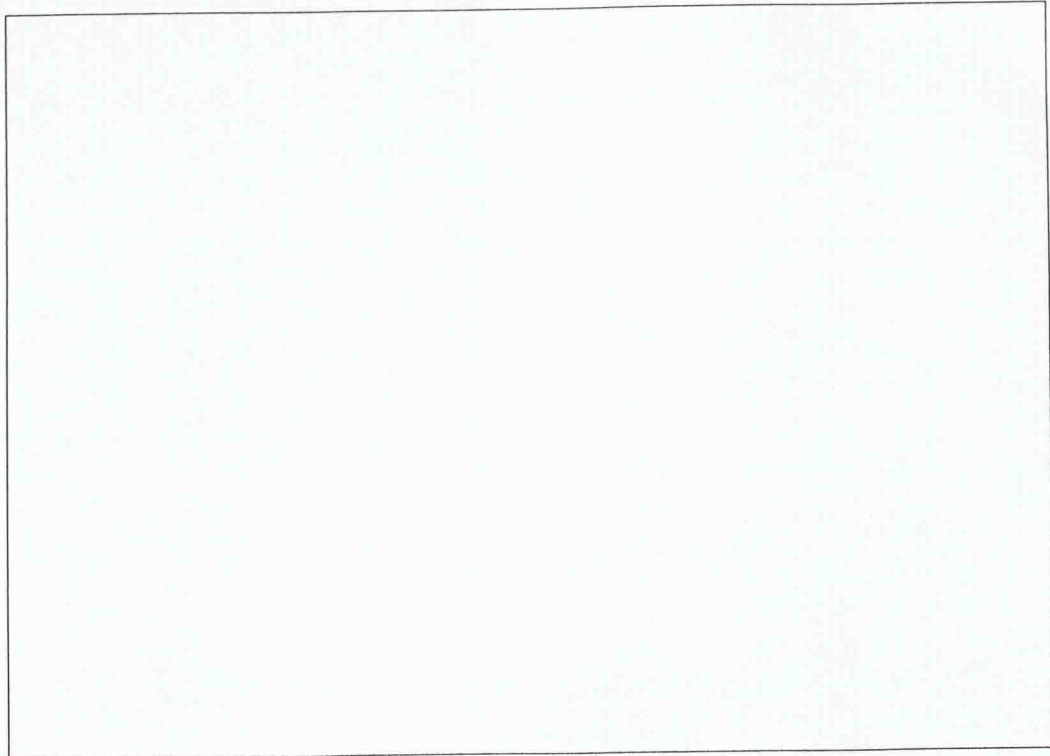
- (a) Consider a RNN implementation for sentiment analysis. Assume that there is a single hidden layer with H units.
- i. (3 points) Give the sketch of the RNN. Clearly indicate how the input is fed and where the outputs are.
 - ii. (6 points) Specify how the RNN would be used at test time and specify
 1. how many outputs
 2. what is the form for each output
 3. which inputs are fed at each time step to produce each output
 4. What are the weights (parameters) associated with this network? Give the number of dimensions of each weight vector.



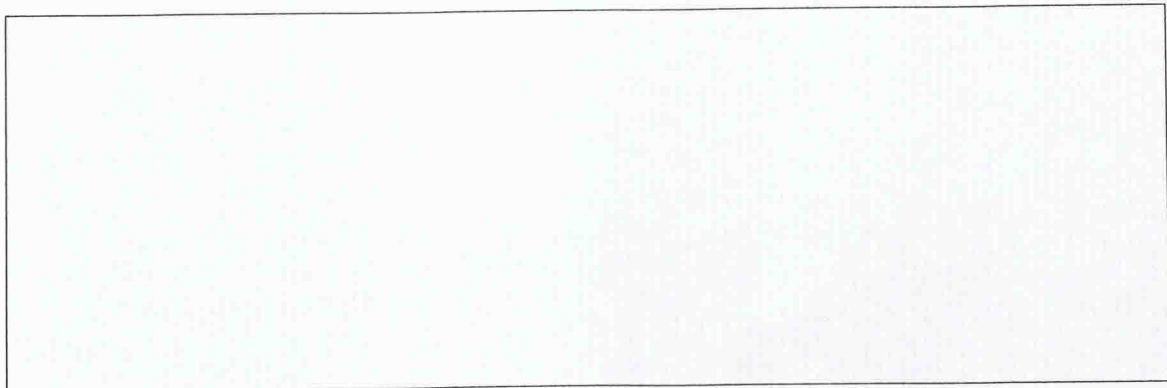
- (b) (5 points) Consider a CNN implementation. Give the sketch of a CNN for the above problem. State any assumption about the number of parameters and the hyper-parameter values.

What are the weights (parameters) associated with this network? Give the number of dimensions of each weight vector.





- (c) (4 points) i. Give an example of a sentence for which a RNN based model is more likely to give a wrong answer while a LSTM model may give a better answer.
- ii. What benefit may a CNN model have over a RNN/LSTM based model for this task?



8. Consider mention ranking which is the task of assigning to each mention its highest scoring antecedent. Assume that the first stage of mention detection has been done. Model this as a Machine Learning problem. Suggest a ML model and specify the input and output of the model. Suggest a loss function or optimization objective for this task.

