

Natural Language Processing

A short tutorial


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Alex - Microsoft Internet Explorer

ask:about individual savings accounts

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Hi, my name's Alex!
I know about ISAs - Individual Savings Accounts.
I can cover the basics as well as some of the complex areas.
I can give you an overview of ISAs, describe the different types of ISA, or tell you about the Government's CAT standards.
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Appllet Measure started

Cara - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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what would you like to know...?



Hi, my name's Cara.
I'm here to help you figure out how smartmortgage can make you better off - and answer any of your questions.
As a starter, would you like me to give you the low-down on smartmortgage, tell you about the benefits, or answer your questions about smartmortgage terms?

▶ ask

▶ close

apply for a smartmortgage

- ▶ I'm a first direct customer
- ▶ I'm new to first direct



Natural language processing

- Ultimate goal -- build machines that can “*understand*” human language
- Speech vs Language Processing

Why is it hard?

■ Ambiguity

- Phonetic

 - I scream

 - Ice cream

- Syntactic

 - I saw the man with a telescope

 - Flying planes can be dangerous

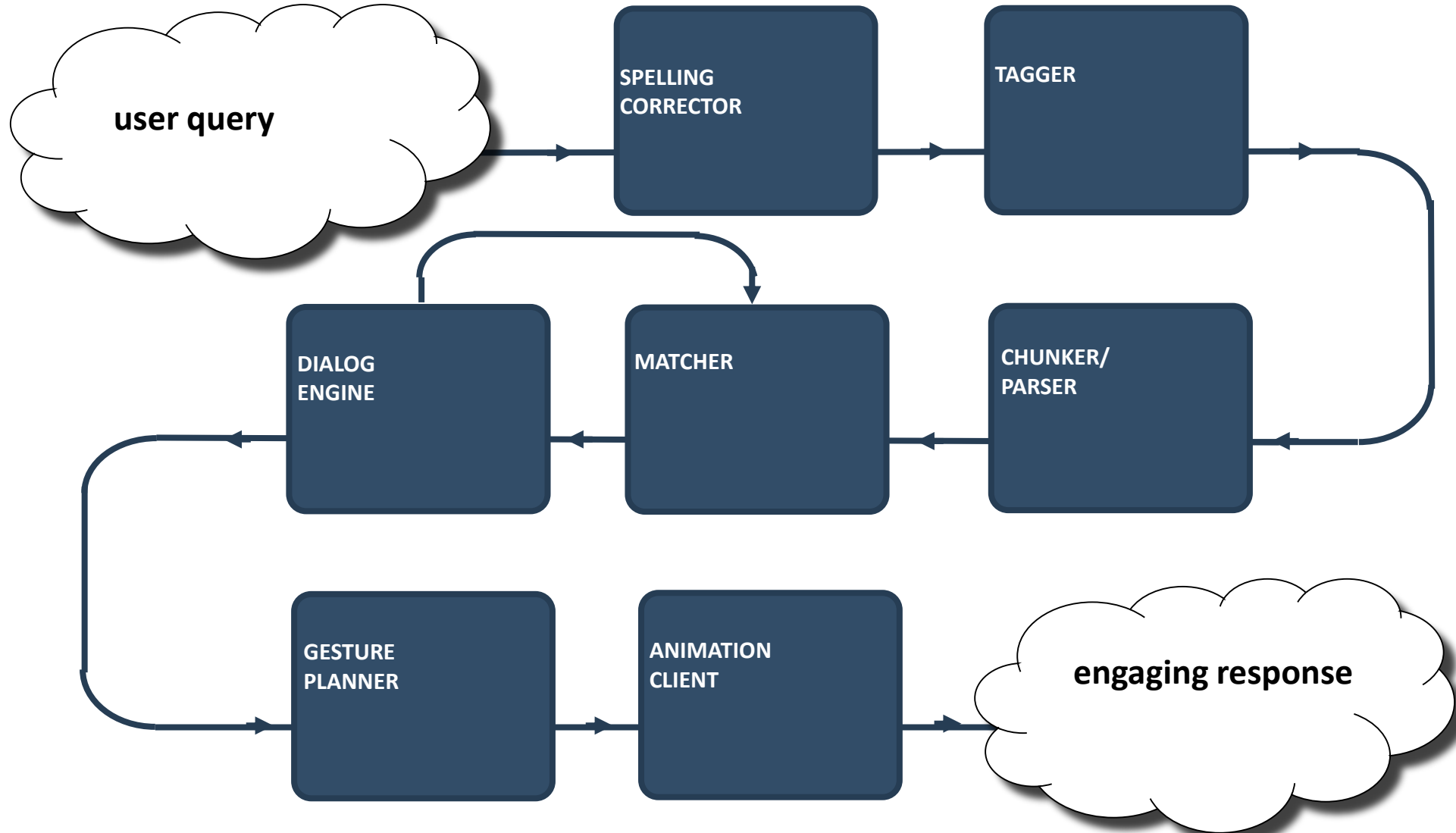
 - Intelligent men and women

- Semantic

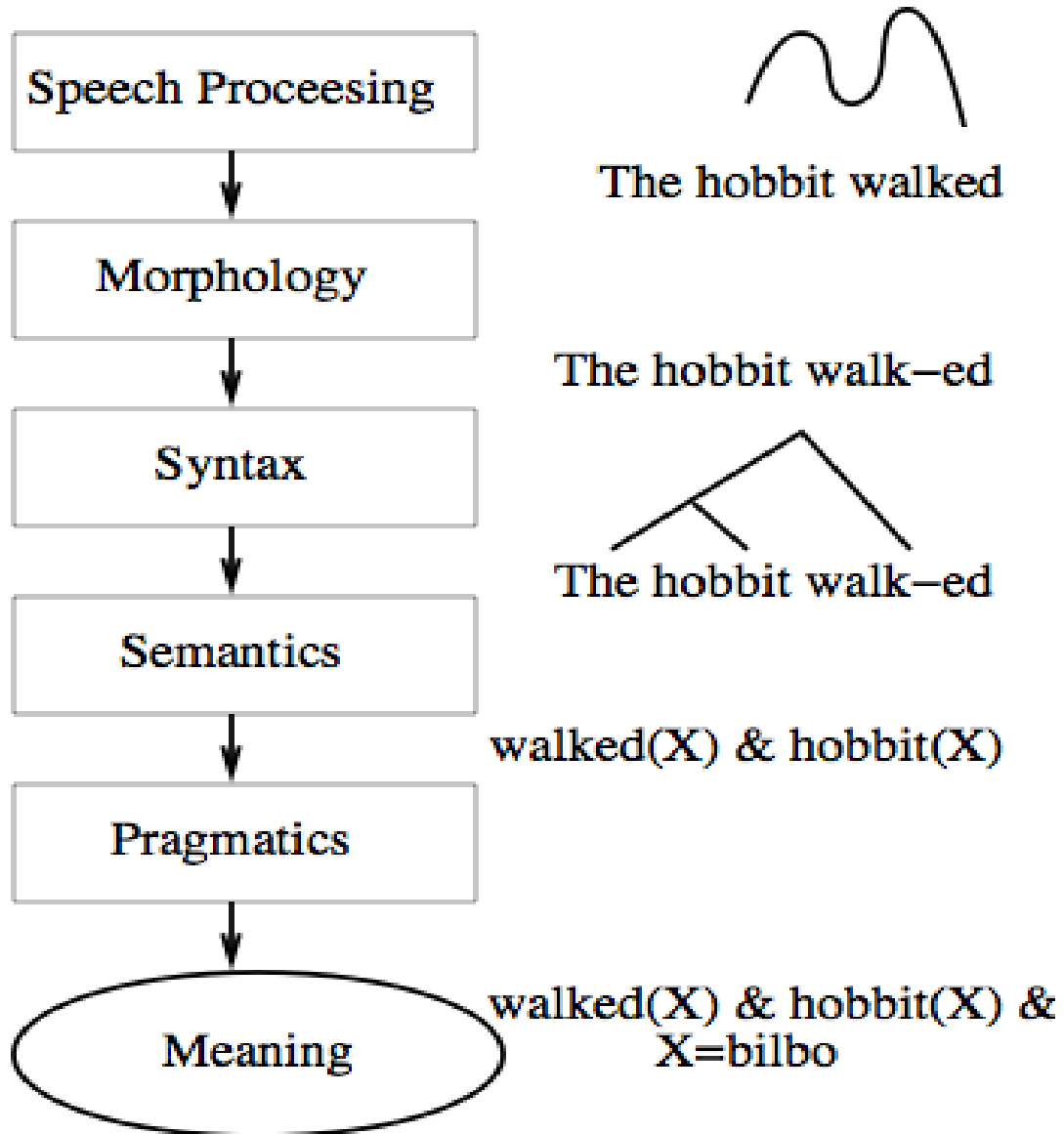
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- Pragmatic

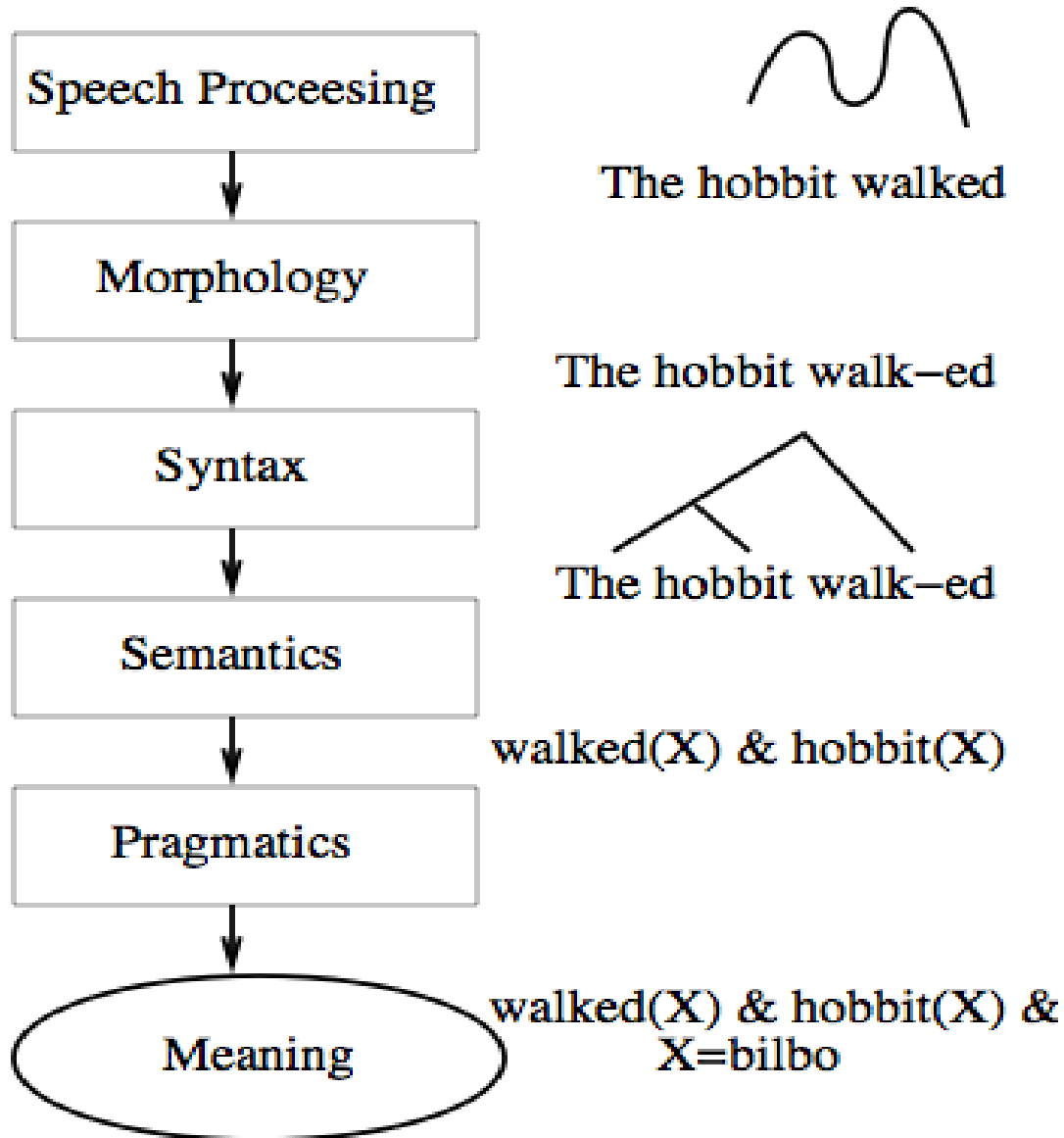
Typical Stages in a NLU + Virtual Agent system



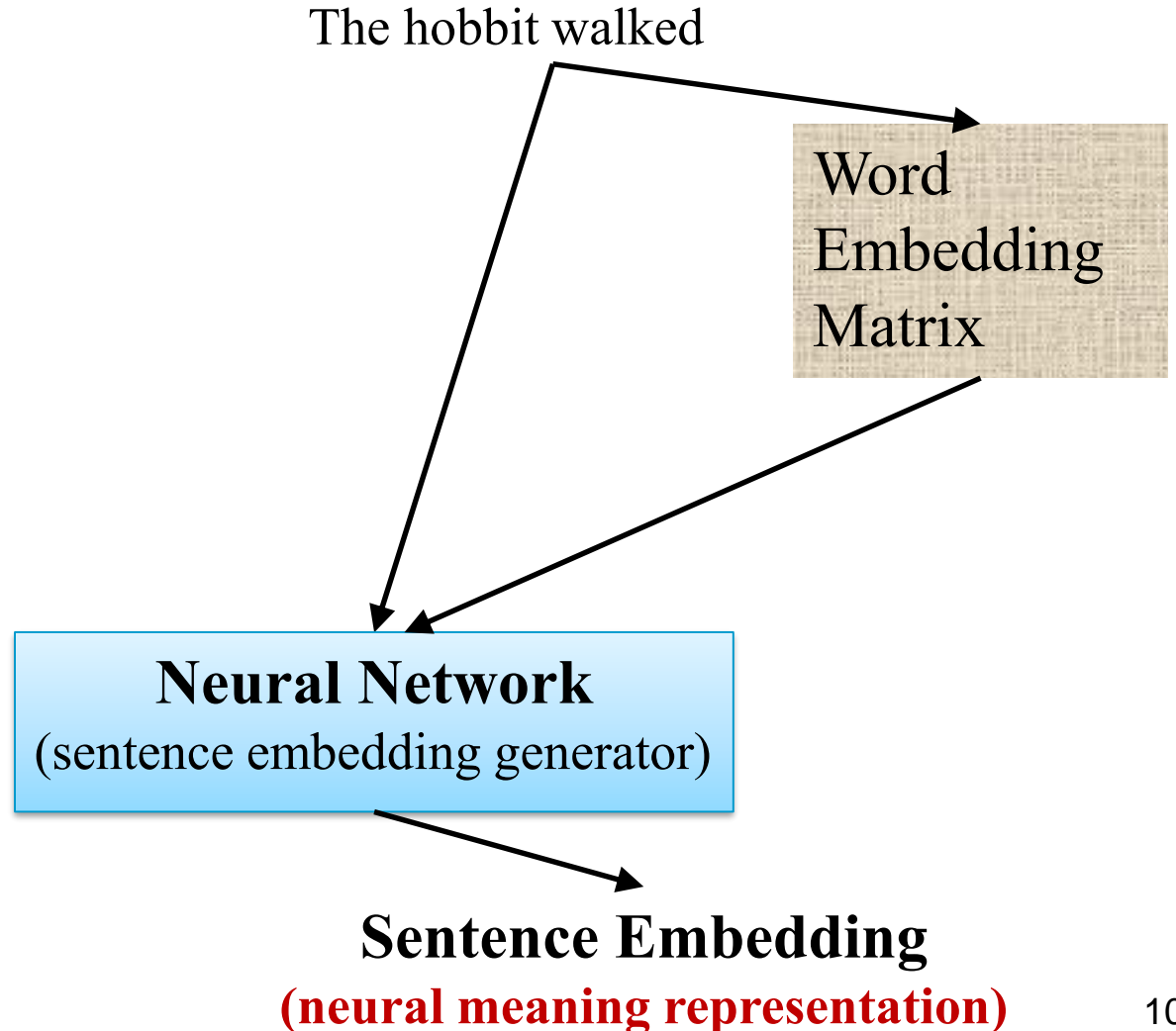
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Deep learning pipeline

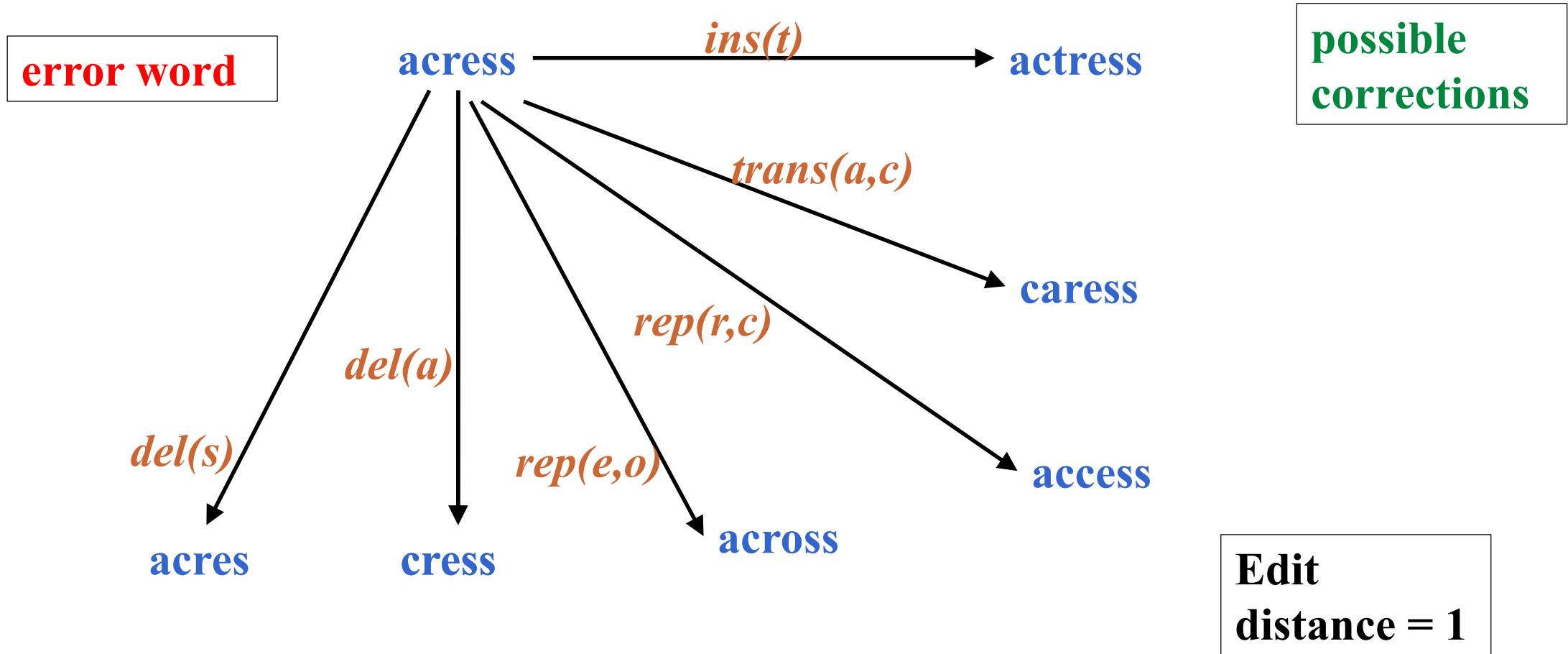


Statistical learning example

Spelling correction

- spelling errors common in user queries
 - e.g. “Tell me about the *benfits*?”
- types of errors:
 - Insertions (beinifits)
 - Deletions (benfits)
 - Transpositions (bnefits)
 - Repetitions (bennifits)
 - Replacements (benifits)
- Simple technique is *edit distance*

Edit distance



Statistical spelling correction

- t is the typo and c is the correct word

$$p(c | t) = \frac{p(t|c)p(c)}{p(t)}$$

- Choose correct c using:

$$c^* = \underset{c}{arg\ max} p(c|t) = \underset{c}{arg\ max} p(t|c) \times p(c)$$

- $p(t|c)$ is too sparse
- Approximate with $p(\text{error_type} / \text{prev_char})$
- Corrects only single char. errors [Church et.al., 90]
- Extended to multi-error case [Brill & Moore,02]

Statistical spelling correction

- error word : **acress**

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cress	.000000014	p(ins(a) ` `)	.00000144	2.02×10^{-14}	0%
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- **Lab** – Implement above algorithm

Vector Space Models / Word Embeddings

Distributional Hypothesis

Distributional Hypothesis (Harris, 1954)

Words that occur in similar contexts tend to have similar meanings i.e. meaning of a word can be defined in terms of its context.

Word Space Model (WSM)

Meaning of a word is represented as a co-occurrence vector built from a corpus

[I went to buy an] **apartment** [but the price was high] (5 word context)

	vector dimensions					
	animal	buy	apartment	price	rent	kill
House	30	60	90	55	45	10
Hunting	90	15	12	20	33	90

Typically replace counts with PMI or PPMI (positive PMI)

Instead of using counts we can use other measures

- **Conditional probability**

$$p(y|x) = \frac{p(y, x)}{p(x)} = \frac{\#(y, x)}{N} \frac{N}{\#(x)} = \frac{\#(y, x)}{\#(x)}$$

- Conditional probability gives a measure of directional/asymmetric association
- For window based VSMS, frequent words will have a detrimental effect i.e. if y is frequent
- **Pointwise mutual information (PMI)** is a symmetric measure

$$pmi(x, y) = \log \left(\frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} \right) = \log \left(\frac{\#(x, y)}{N} \frac{N}{\#(x)} \frac{N}{\#(y)} \right) = \log \left(\frac{\#(x, y)}{\#(x)\#(y)} N \right)$$

- Insensitive to frequent words but can give negative values
- **Positively shifted PMI (PPMI)** gives smoothed positive values:

$$ppmi(x, y) = \log \left(1 + \frac{p(x, y)}{p(x)p(y)} \right)$$

Vector Space Model (VSM) for words

So, we could represent the meaning of a word as a very long vector:

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Which one is more likely?

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Apartment = < 0.31, 0.1, 0.07, 0.05, > ---- 2

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Given the distributional hypothesis we expect that it is more likely:

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VSM as a meaning representation in vector space

- The VSM is an explicit representation that is high dimensional (~ vocabulary size > 30,000)
- It is also very sparse (with most entries 0). **Why?**

Similarity in meaning between two words

- VSMs can recover the similarity in meaning between words e.g. using cosine similarity or KL/JS divergence
- Can be used instead of WordNet
- Thus, we expect $\cos(\textit{book}, \textit{novel})$ to be high

$$\cos(A, B) = \frac{A \cdot B}{|A||B|}$$

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- Ideally would want a lower dimensional representation
- that generalises better (i.e. can work with smaller datasets)

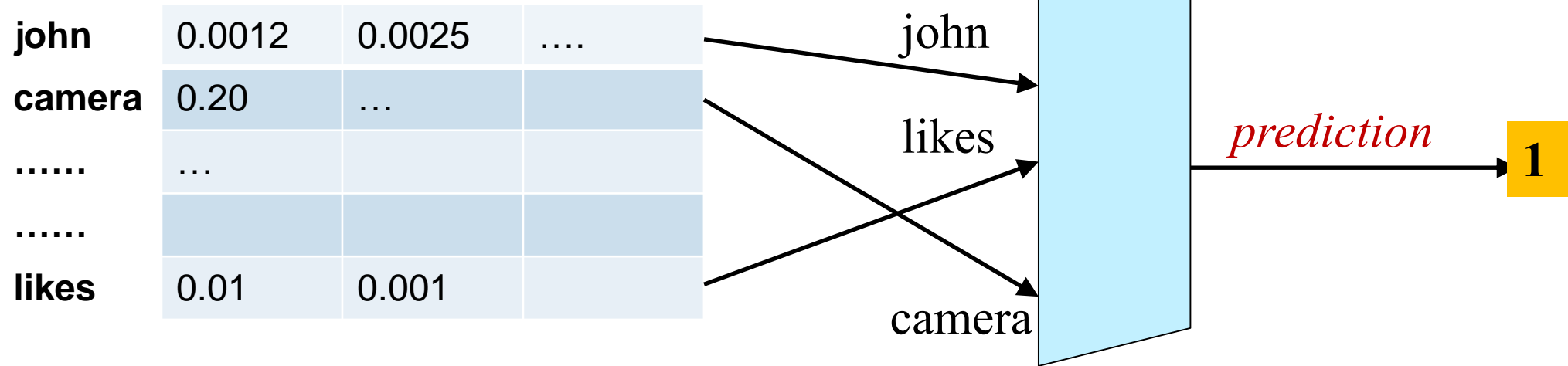
Word/Sentence Embeddings – General ideas

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- For each of these tasks we can generate a training dataset containing the correct and incorrect predictions.
- For example:
 - [the, dog] [the, cat] → chases (+ example) should give **high** probability
 - [the, dog] [the, cat] → bites (+ example) should give **high** probability
 - [the, dog] [the, cat] → buy (- example) should give **low** probability
- Think of the → as a machine learning model that we train using our training data

Word Embeddings – The setup



- Transfer learning using pre-trained embeddings (e.g. word2vec, GloVe)
- Domain specific learning
- Combination

Classwork – Lets design some word embedding models

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Word2vec

- word2vec is a very popular word embedding learning toolkit
- It can generate several different variants of embeddings depending upon the settings

Skip-gram Embeddings

- Trained to learn the context word prediction task:
 - {big, the, fat, my } dog { like, chases, bites, eats} **(predict left/right context word)**
- Let the training data $D = \{ \langle \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{c}_N \rangle \}_1^{|D|}$ where
 - \mathbf{w} is the target word
 - \mathbf{c} is a context word
 - \mathbf{c}_N is a list of negative context words typically sampled randomly
- The context words can be arbitrary e.g. words within a window, words connected by a parse tree
- Each word \mathbf{w} is associated with two embeddings – **word embeddings $\bar{\mathbf{w}}$** , and its **context embedding $\bar{\mathbf{w}}_c$**
- Similarly, each context \mathbf{c} is associated with two embeddings – word embeddings $\bar{\mathbf{c}}_w$, and its context embedding $\bar{\mathbf{c}}$

Skip-gram Embeddings

- The per training example likelihood becomes:

$$p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}, \mathcal{C}_N) = p(< \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c} >) \prod_{\mathbf{c}_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} (1 - p(< \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}_i >))$$

- Per example, log likelihood can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \log(p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}, \mathcal{C}_N)) &= \log(p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c})) + \sum_{\mathbf{c}_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} \log((1 - p(< \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}_i >))) \\ &= \log(\sigma(\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}})) + \sum_{\mathbf{c}_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} \log((1 - \sigma(\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i))) \\ &= \log(\sigma(\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}})) + \sum_{\mathbf{c}_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} \log(\sigma(-\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i)) \end{aligned}$$

- [Aside] Derivative of the log of sigmoid:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\delta}{\delta x} \log(\sigma(x)) &= \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}\right) = \frac{\delta}{\delta x} [\log(1) - \log(1 + e^{-x})] \\ &= -\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}\right)(-e^{-x}) = \frac{e^{-x}}{1 + e^{-x}} = \sigma(-x) = 1 - \sigma(x) = \sigma(-x)\end{aligned}$$

- Derivative with respect to the word embedding/vector:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{w}} \log(p(w, c, C_N)) &= \frac{\delta}{\delta w} \left[\log(\sigma(\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c})) + \sum_{c_i \in C_N} \log(\sigma(-\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}_i)) \right] \\ &= \sigma(-\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c})(\bar{c}) + \sum_{c_i \in C_N} \sigma(\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}_i)(-\bar{c}_i) \\ &= \sigma(-\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c})\bar{c} - \sum_{c_i \in C_N} \sigma(\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}_i)\bar{c}_i\end{aligned}$$

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- Derivative with respect to the context embedding/vector for the negative sample:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i} \log(p(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{c}, \mathcal{C}_N)) &= \frac{\delta}{\delta \mathbf{w}} \left[\log(\sigma(\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}})) + \sum_{c_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} \log(\sigma(-\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i)) \right] \\ &= \sigma(\bar{\mathbf{w}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{c}}_i)(-\bar{\mathbf{w}})\end{aligned}$$

Stochastic gradient descent algorithm

- For each input word w
- Sample k negative contexts \mathcal{C}_N (e.g. sample from **top k** most frequent words)
- Repeat for each context word c of w :

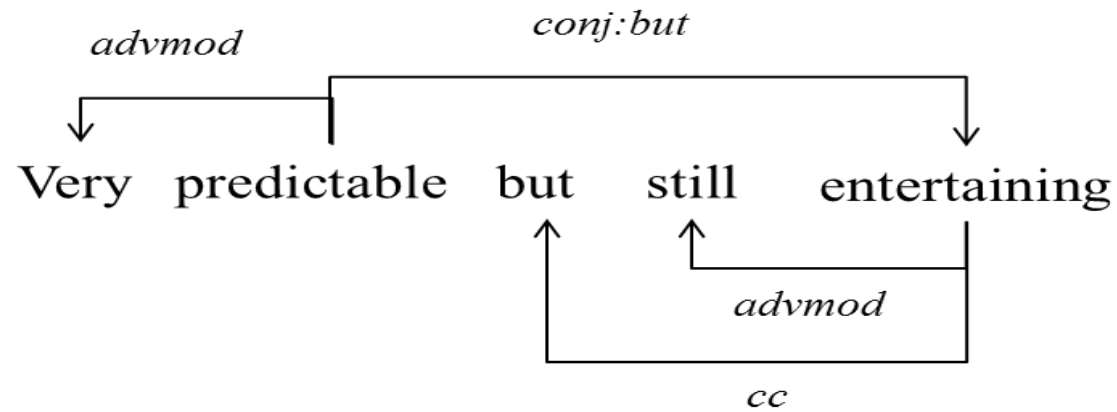
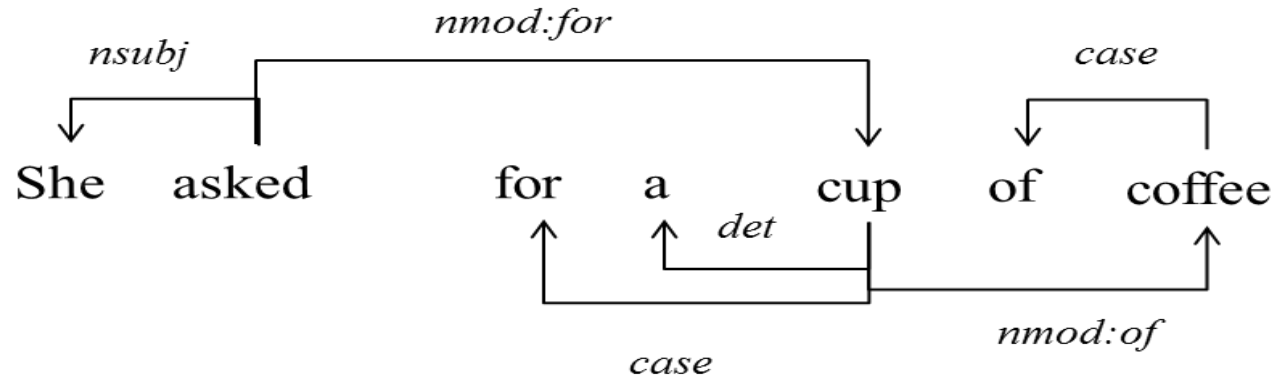
$$\bar{w} := \bar{w} + \eta \left(\sigma(-\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}) \bar{c} - \sum_{c_i \in \mathcal{C}_N} \sigma(\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}_i) \bar{c}_i \right)$$
$$\bar{c} := \bar{c} + \eta \left(\sigma(-\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}) (\bar{w}) \right)$$

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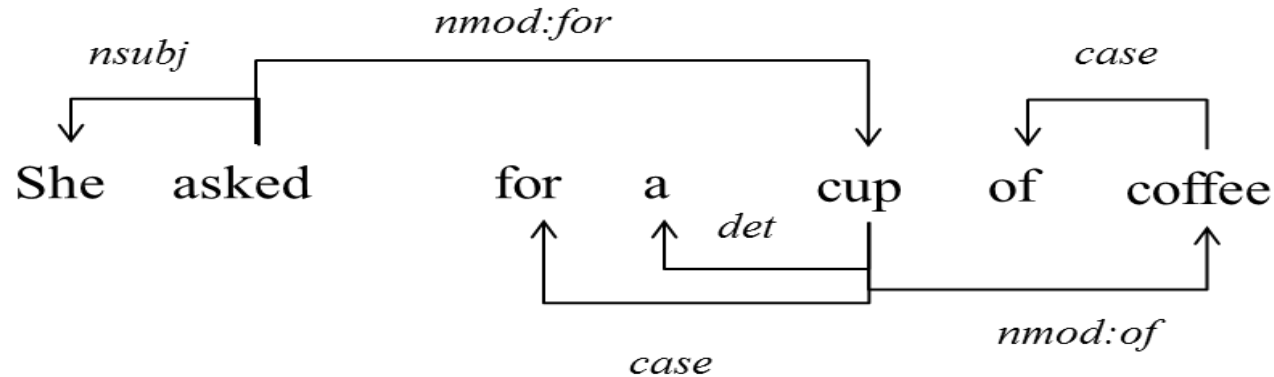
$$\bar{c}_i := \bar{c}_i - \eta \left(\sigma(\bar{w} \cdot \bar{c}_i) (\bar{w}) \right)$$

- Move pointer to the next word
- Stop after a fixed number of iterations

Dependency Parsing



Dependency based word embeddings



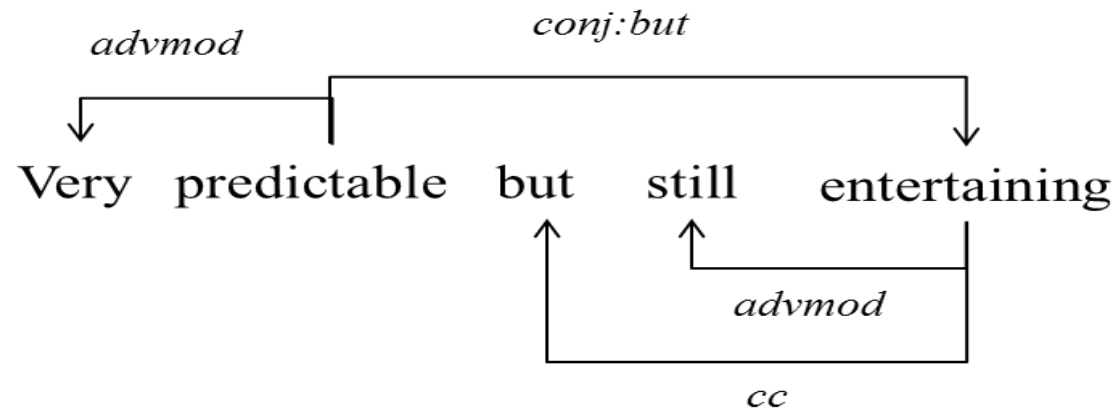
Target - cup

Context words :

She, asked, for, a, of, coffee

Syntactic contexts (edges):

for:nmod⁻¹_asked, case_for,
det_a, of:nmod_coffee



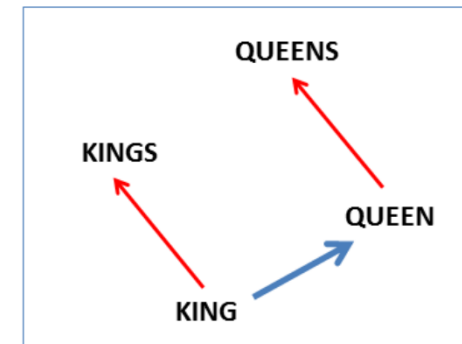
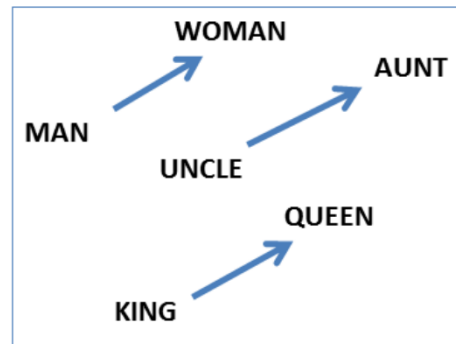
from [Komninos and Manandhar, 2016]

Analogy tasks

- Analogy between words:

- $\text{woman} - \text{man} \approx \text{queen} - \text{king}$

- $\text{king} - \text{man} + \text{woman} \approx \text{queen}$



- $\text{England} - \text{London} + \text{Baghdad} = ? \text{Iraq}$

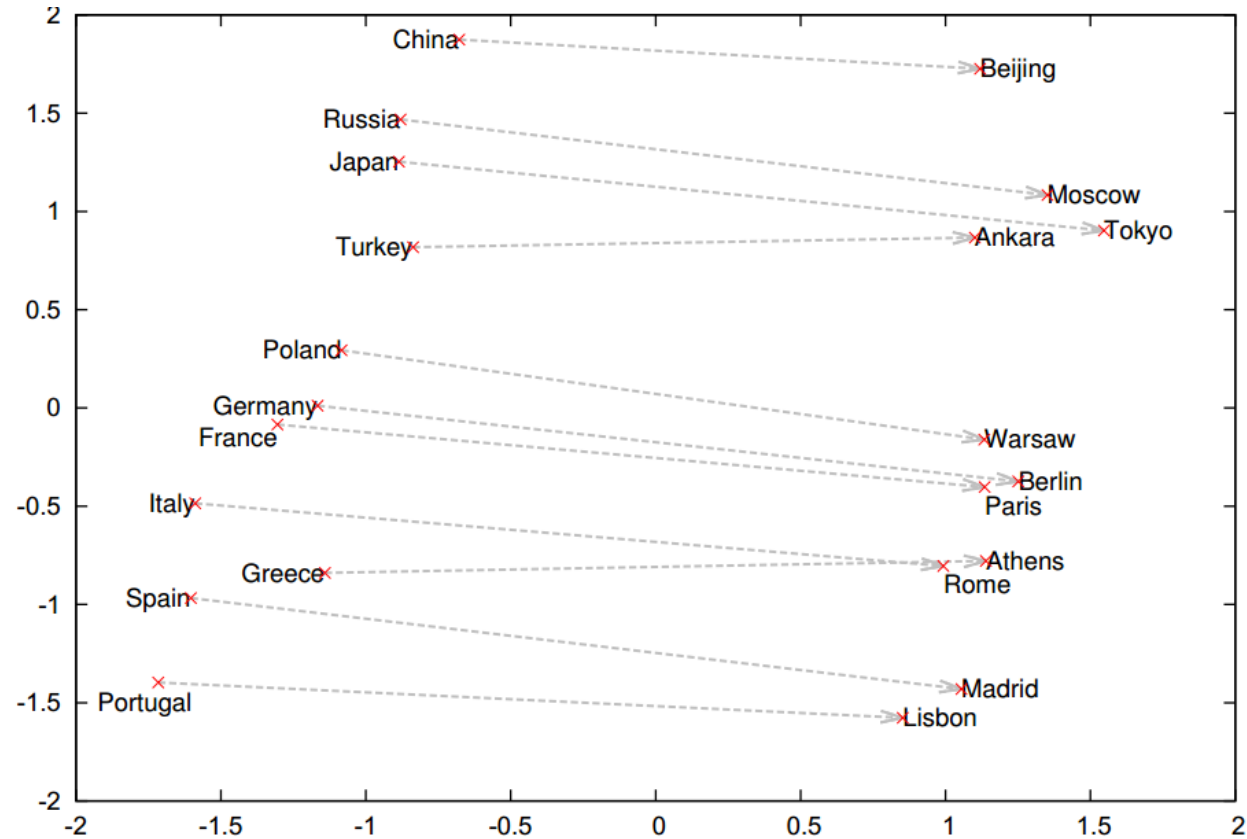
- Equivalently:

$$\arg \max_{B'} \cos(B', \text{England} - \text{London} + \text{Baghdad})$$

- Directional similarity

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Directional similarity example



Skipgram embeddings \simeq Matrix factorization

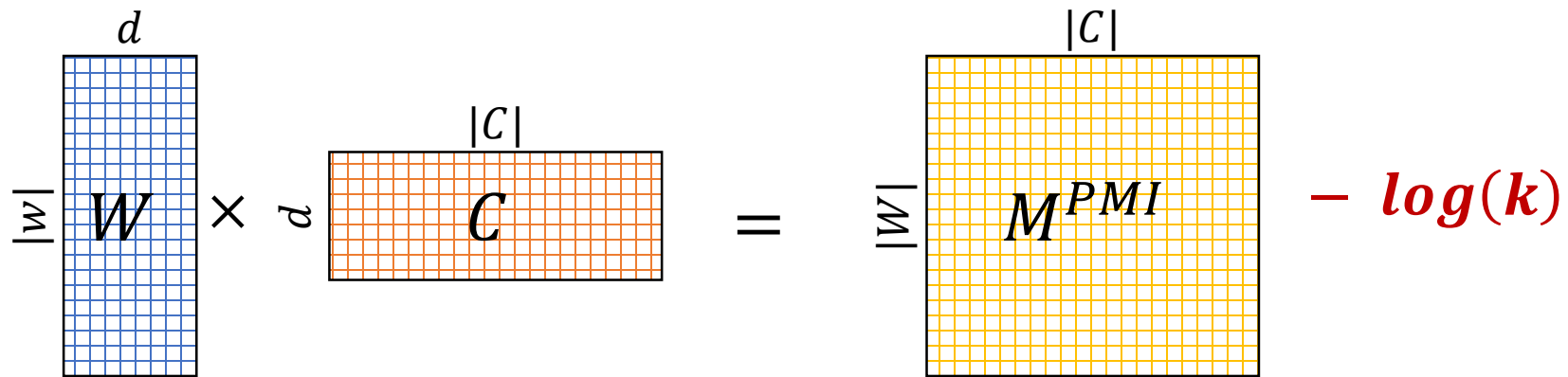
- The skipgram model learns a matrix factorization of the PMI matrix

The diagram shows the matrix factorization of the PMI matrix. On the left, a blue grid representing matrix W has dimensions $|w|$ (height) and d (width). This is multiplied by a red grid representing matrix C with dimensions d (height) and $|c|$ (width). The result is a yellow grid representing matrix M^{PMI} with dimensions $|w|$ (height) and $|c|$ (width). The equation is:
$$\begin{matrix} d \\ |w| \end{matrix} W \times \begin{matrix} |c| \\ d \end{matrix} C = \begin{matrix} |c| \\ |w| \end{matrix} M^{PMI}$$

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Skipgram embeddings \simeq Matrix factorization

- The skipgram model learns a matrix factorization of the PMI matrix *shifted by a global constant*


$$\begin{matrix} & d \\ & \boxed{\text{grid}} \\ |w| \quad W \end{matrix} \times \begin{matrix} & |c| \\ d \quad \boxed{\text{grid}} \\ C \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & |c| \\ |w| \quad \boxed{\text{grid}} \\ M^{PMI} \end{matrix} - \log(k)$$

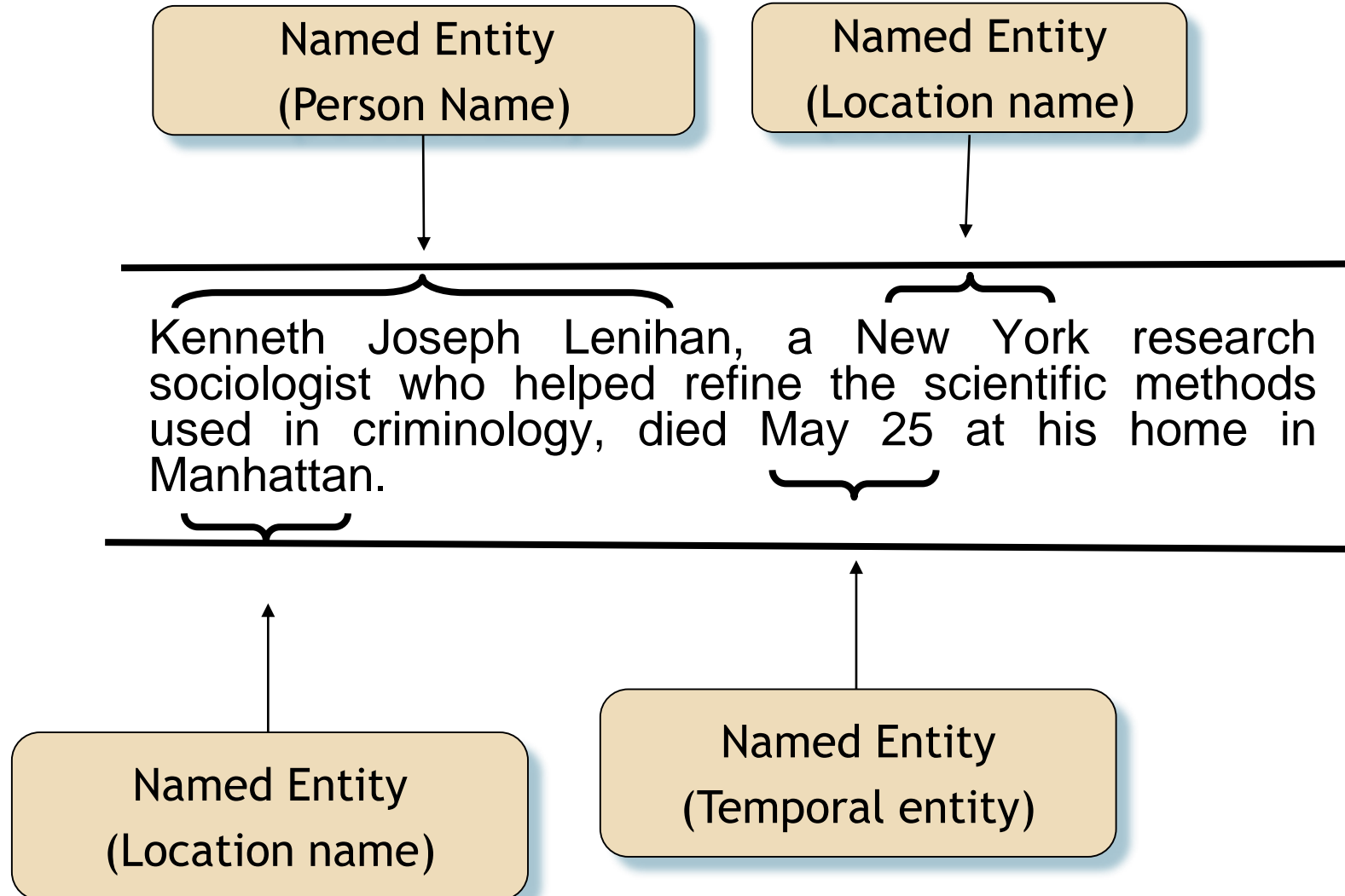
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Sequence Classification tasks in NLP

Typically want to classify a whole sentence or each word of a sentence.

- Named entity recognition
- Relation extraction
- Part of Speech tagging
- Sentiment analysis

Named entity recognition



Relation Extraction

Source: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk/222225.stm>

30 September 2008: **Norwich City** [ORG.SPO] v **Birmingham City** [ORG.SPO]: Twenty Birmingham fans [PER.Group] sprayed rival supporters with CS gas [WEA] and attacked them with bar stools in a pub.

Relation Extraction

Identified relations

R1: [Twenty Birmingham fans, Birmingham City FC] – Membership

R2: [Twenty Birmingham fans, CS gas] – Chemical weapon possession

R3: [Twenty Birmingham fans, bar stools] – Weapon possession

Sequence Classification tasks in NLP

Coarse grained sentiment analysis

Sentiment class labels:

Negative Positive

Examples:

The food was not that bad : Positive

The food was great: Positive

The food was OK : Positive

I hated the curry : Negative

Embeddings as latent features

- We can replace words with their corresponding embeddings.
- But how can we encode a **variable length sentence** into a **fixed length vector**

Computing Sentence Representations

- There are multiple possibilities.
- Sum the vectors and compute average

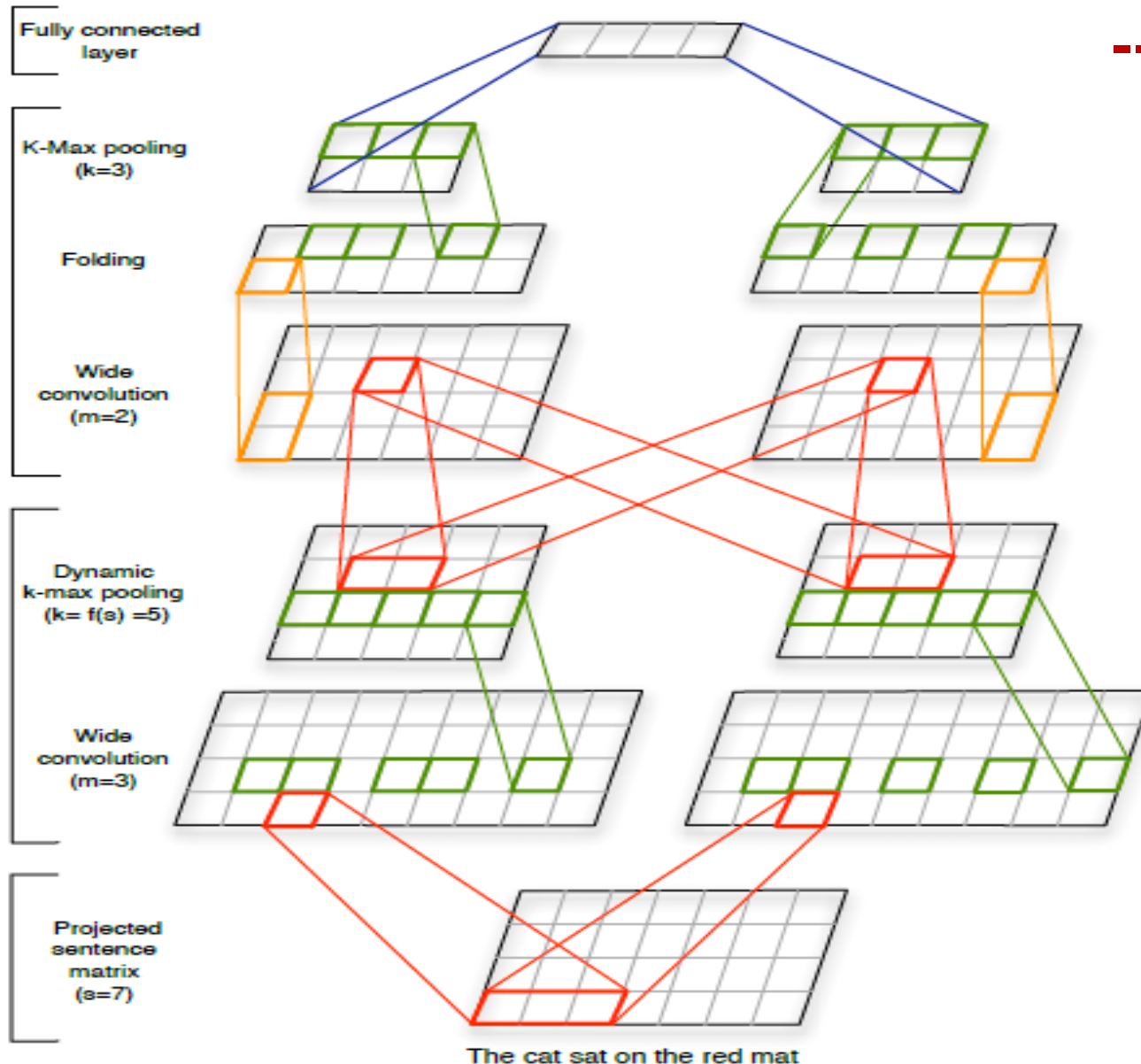
$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \mathbf{w}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{w}_s \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

- Compute row wise max

$$\mathbf{c}_{max} = \begin{bmatrix} \max(\mathbf{c}_1,:) \\ \vdots \\ \max(\mathbf{c}_d,:) \end{bmatrix}$$

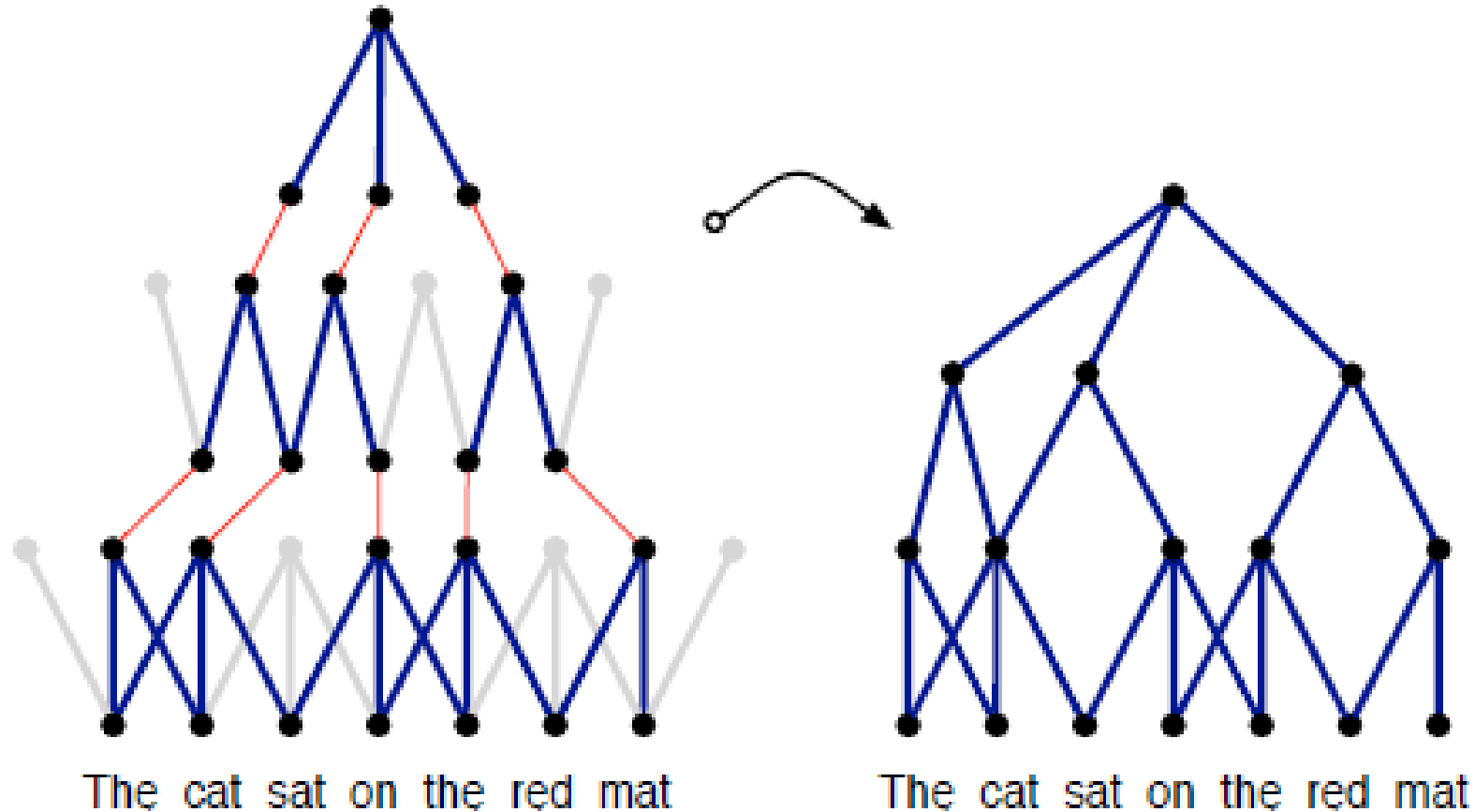
Task specific representation CNN architecture

--- for classification problems



■ CNN architecture from
[Kalchbrenner et. al. 2014]

CNN example



- The convolution and pooling layers learn the correct syntactic structure and how these need to be combined (from [Kalchbrenner et. al. 2014])

Coarse grained sentiment analysis

Embeddings	SVM	CNN	LSTM
Win5 Words	80.1	83.5	76.1
Win5 AvgE	79.5	83.2	76.9
Win5 ConcE	80.3	82.9	77.6
LG Words	78.5	84.5	77.2
LG Dep	76.0	76.8	69.1
LG Wavg	78.9	82.0	78.6
LG Conc	79.8	82.7	79.7
EXT Words	80.5	84.1	77.6
EXT Dep	77.7	77.2	69.6
EXT Wavg	80.6	84.6	75.7
EXT Conc	80.6	83.5	79.8
CNN-multichannel	88.1		

Compositional Semantics – Long distance dependencies

- Lord of the Rings, I read.
 - Lord of the Rings, I managed to read.
 - Lord of the Rings, I believe John managed to read.
 - I believe Lord of the Rings, John managed to read.
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- [Lord of the Rings]_i, I read ___i.
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- Doing deep compositional semantics is still a challenge for current machine learning methods

Constraints on gaps

Gaps must be strictly subcategorised

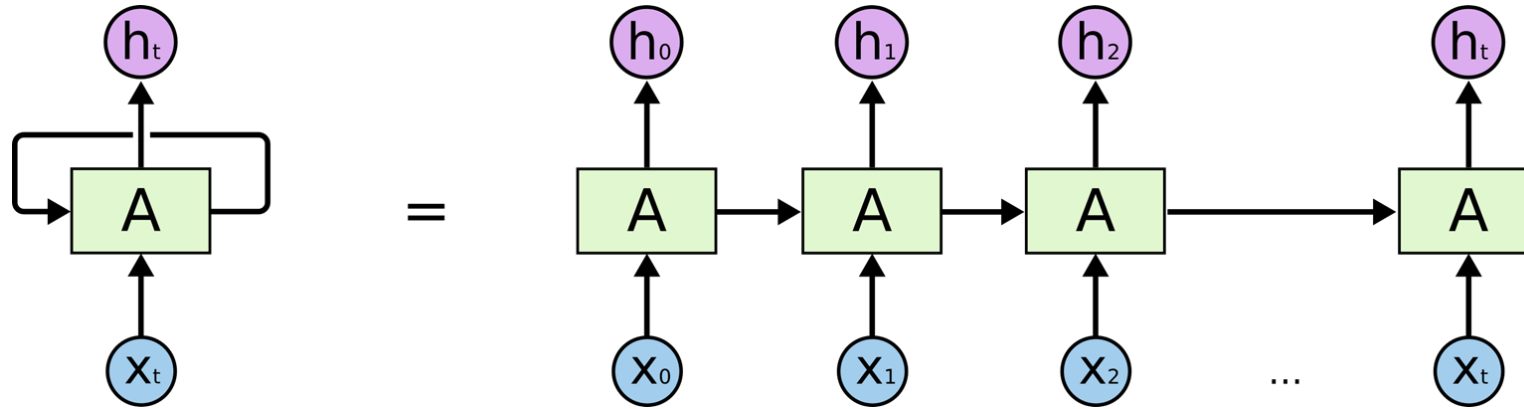
- *Kim_i, Sandy loves Bill ___i.
- Sandy loves the man in the grey suit.
- *[in the grey suit]_i, Sandy loves the man ___i.

Syntactic barriers on gaps

- Mary ordered cake and soda.
- *What_i did Mary order cake and ___i. (co-ordinate structure)
- John saw Mary's brother.
- *Whose_i did John see ___i brother ? (possessive NP)
- That John liked Mary surprised everyone.
- *Who_i did that John like ___i surprise everyone? (sentential subject NP)

Sequence models

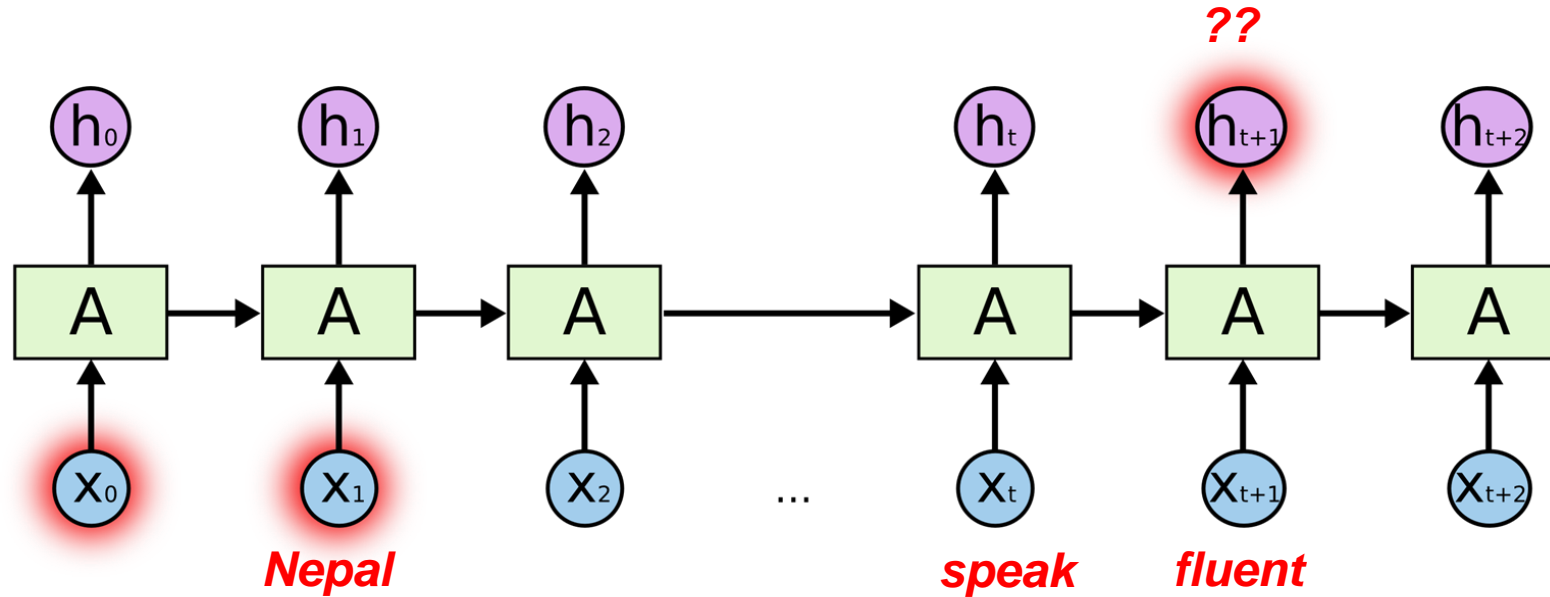
Recurrent nets (RNNs)



- Tremendously popular for many tasks
- Model of choice within NLP for sequence modelling tasks:
- **Shared parameter** (single cell)
- Cell is unrolled to feed a sequence input
- Each cell can remember some information
- Pass this to the next cell

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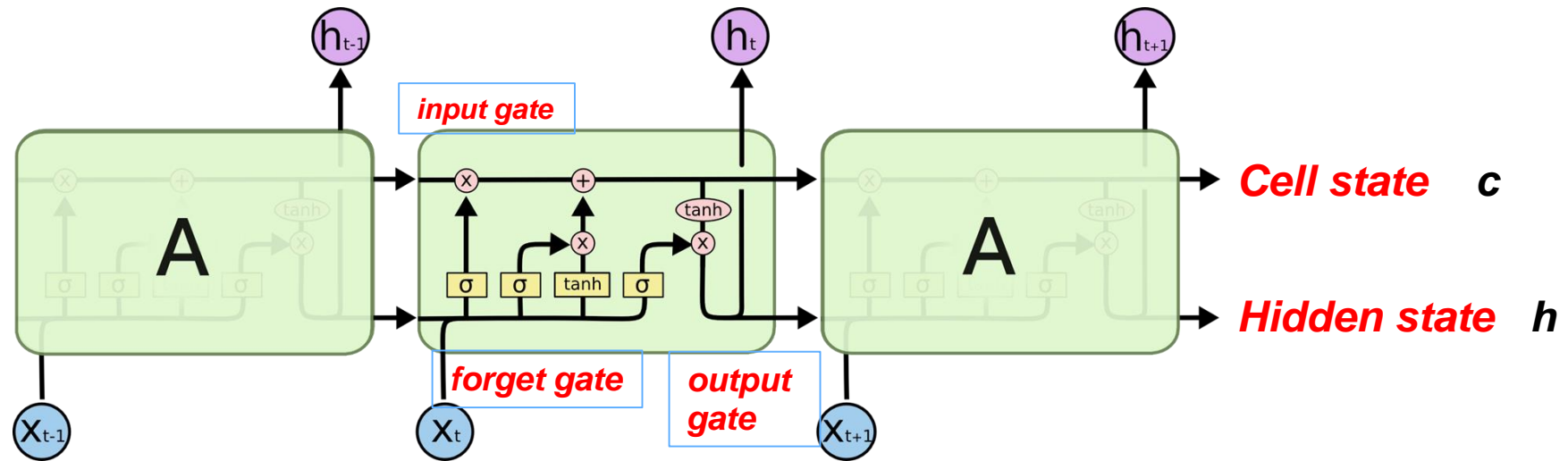
Issues with standard RNNs



- As the item to remember becomes too far
- Standard RNNs have problem keeping this information
- e.g. Language modelling problem *'I grew up in Nepal, I speak fluent ...'*

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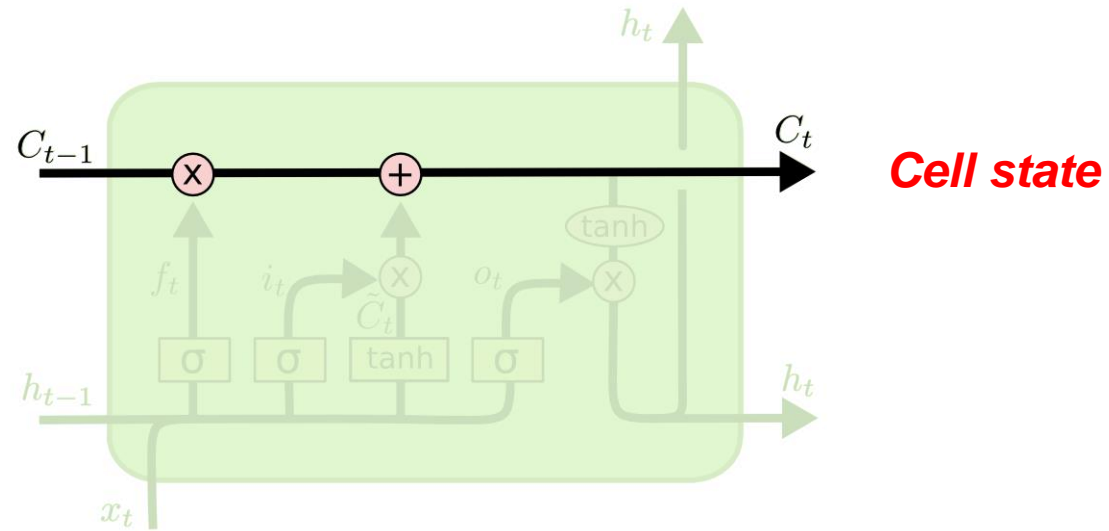
LSTM networks



- A LSTM consists of two internal states
 - **Cell state** (memory to carry forward)
 - **Hidden state** (current state to output)
- And a number of gates
 - **Input gate** (decides how much of previous cell state to carry forward)
 - **Forget gate** (how much of the current hidden state to mix with the previous cell state)
- **Output gate** (how much of the new cell state to output as the new hidden state)

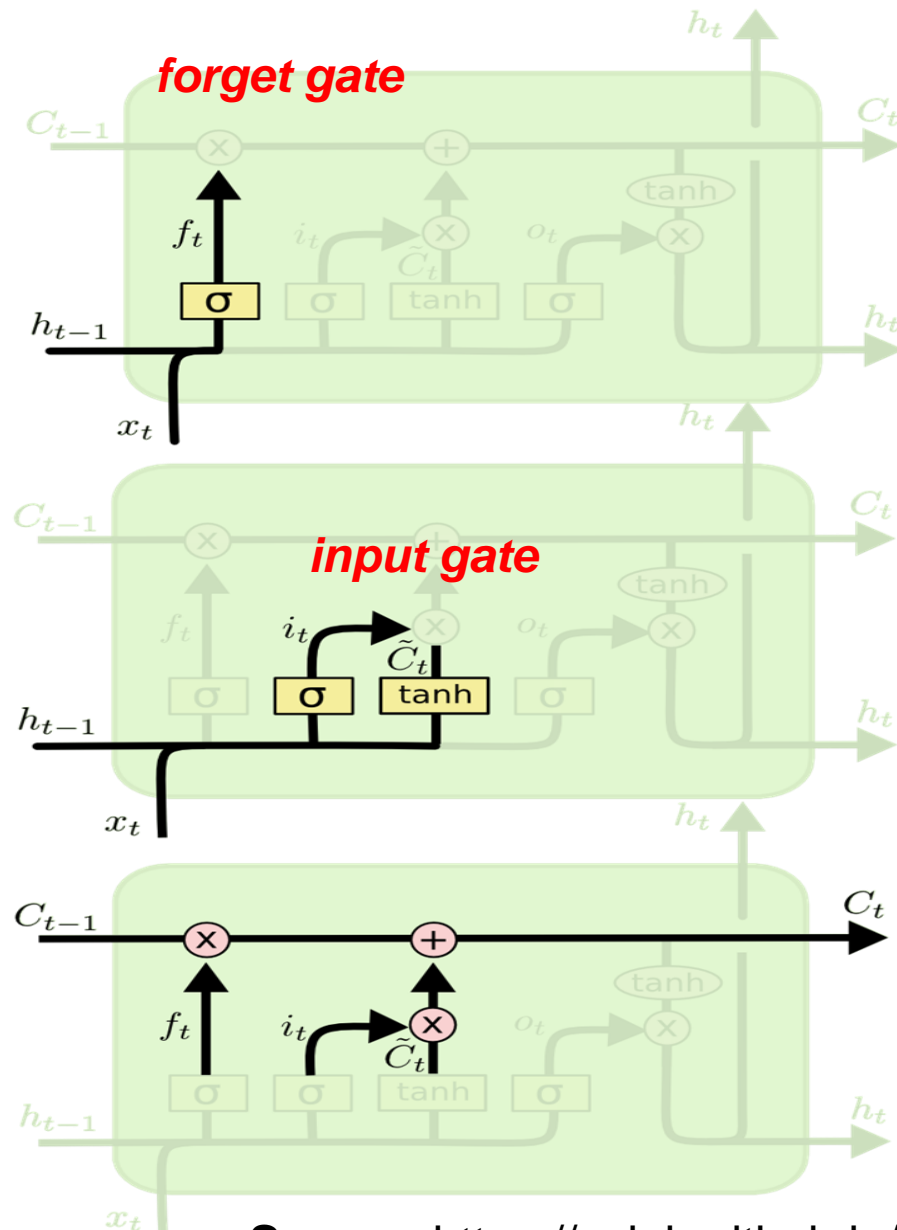
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LSTM networks



$$f_t = \sigma (W_f \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_f)$$

$$i_t = \sigma (W_i \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_i)$$

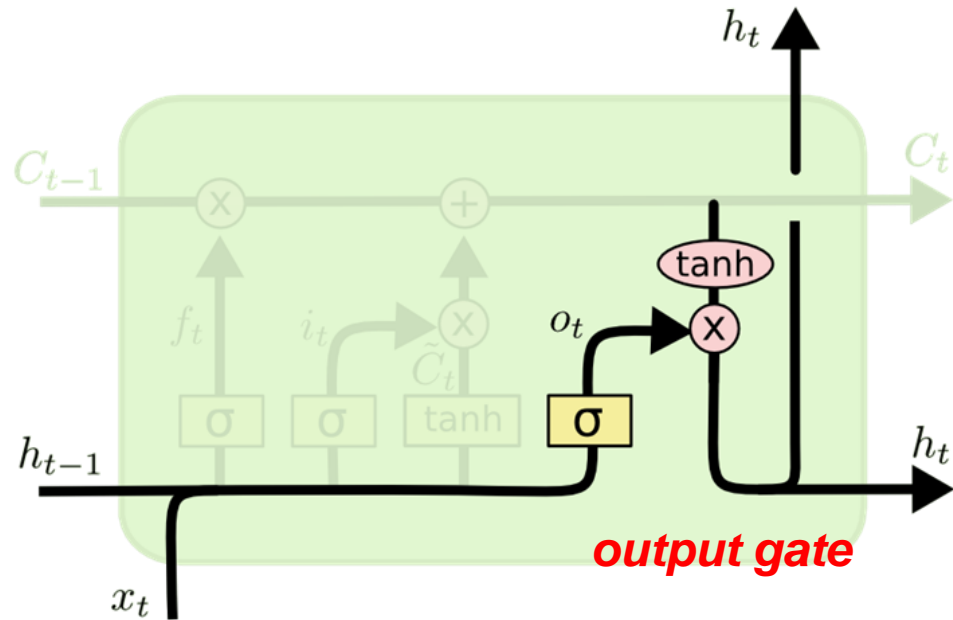
$$\tilde{C}_t = \tanh(W_C \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_C)$$

Cell state c

$$C_t = f_t * C_{t-1} + i_t * \tilde{C}_t$$

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LSTM networks



$$o_t = \sigma (W_o [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_o)$$

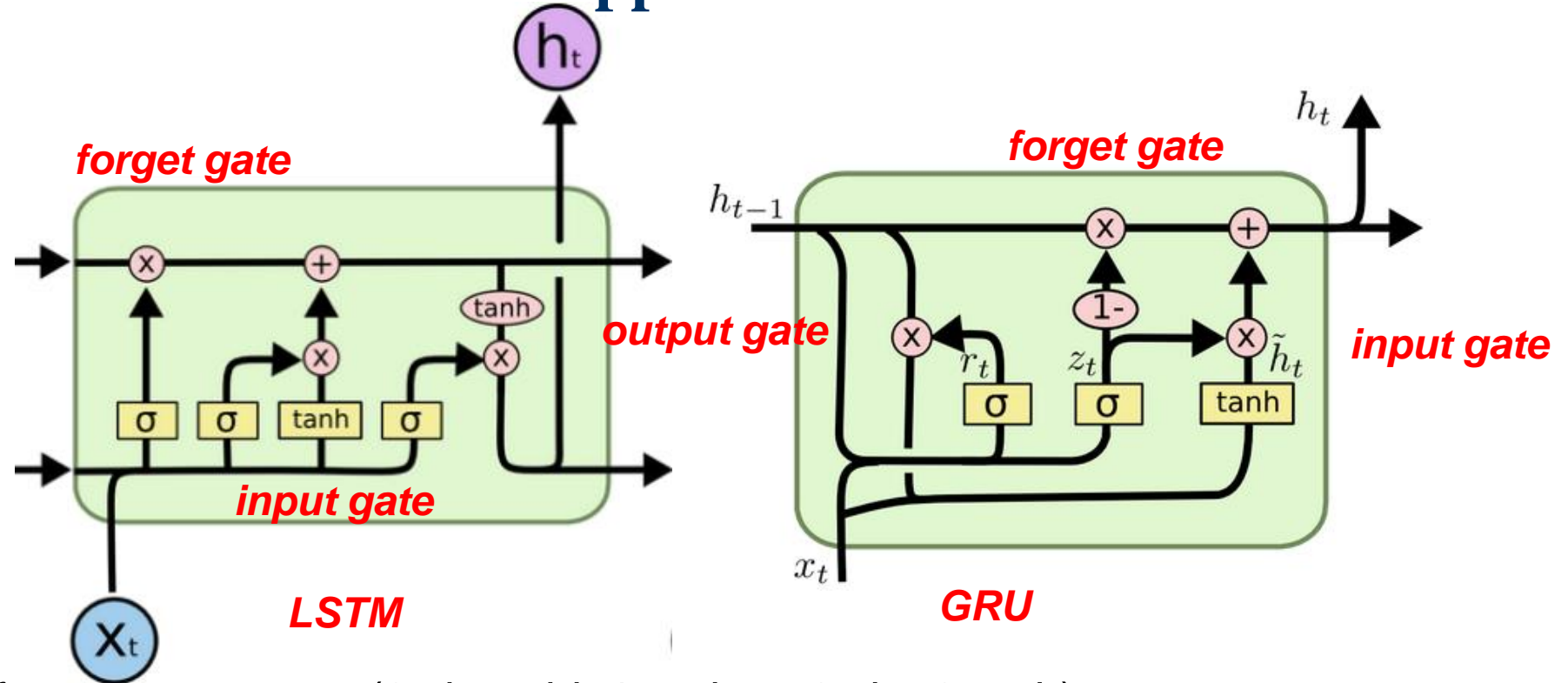
$$h_t = o_t * \tanh (C_t)$$

Hidden state h

- A LSTM has more precise control of:
 - how much of previous memory (cell state) to keep
 - how much of previous hidden state + current input to store into memory (cell state)
 - how much of the new cell state and combined input + previous hidden state to output as the new hidden state

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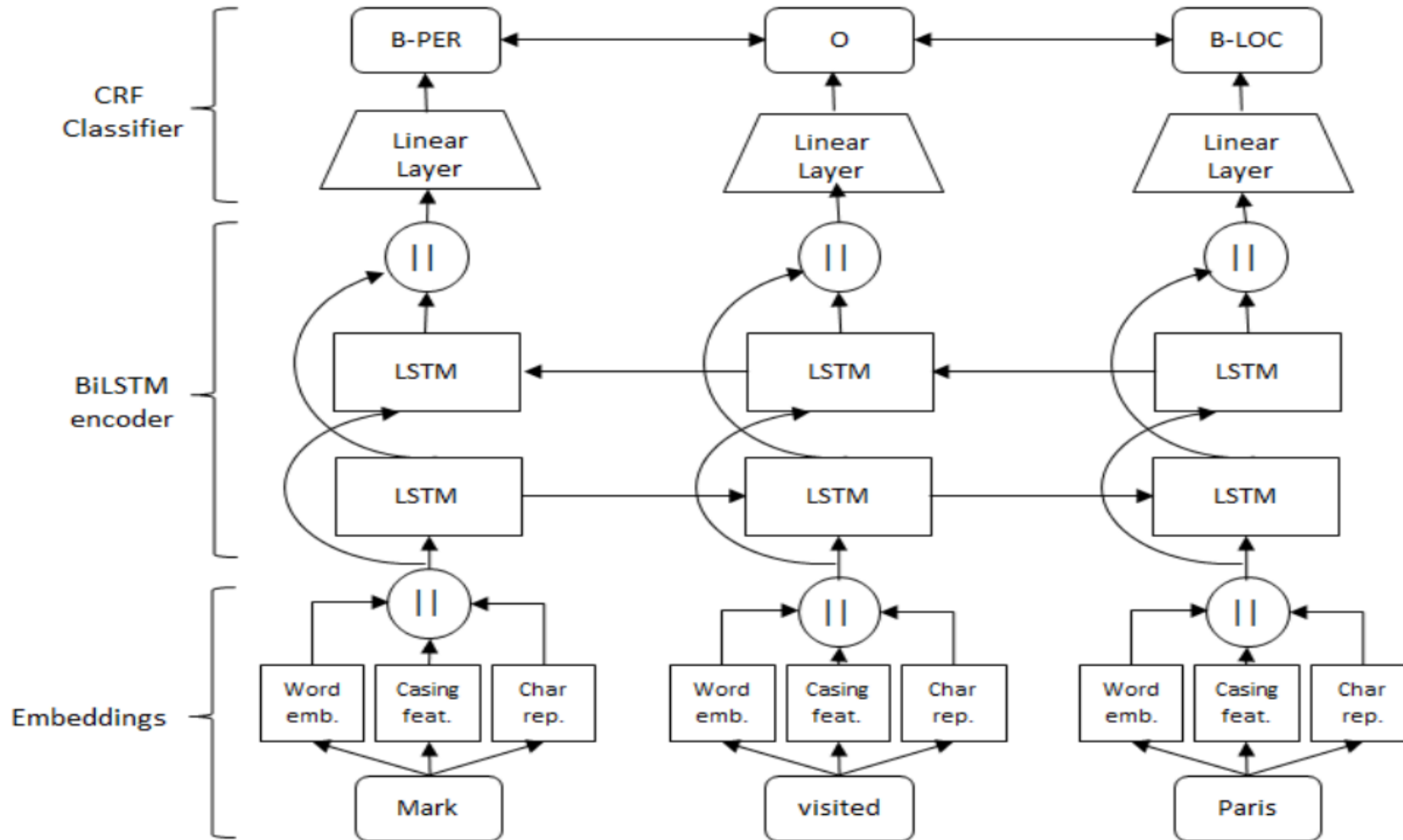
Using LSTM networks in NLP applications



- A GRU has fewer parameters (2 sigmoid, 1 tanh vs 2 sig, 2 tanh):
 - Input gate is same as before
- *Amount to forget from previous hidden state = 1 – amount to add from new hidden state*
- No cell state. Just hidden state
- Simpler equations

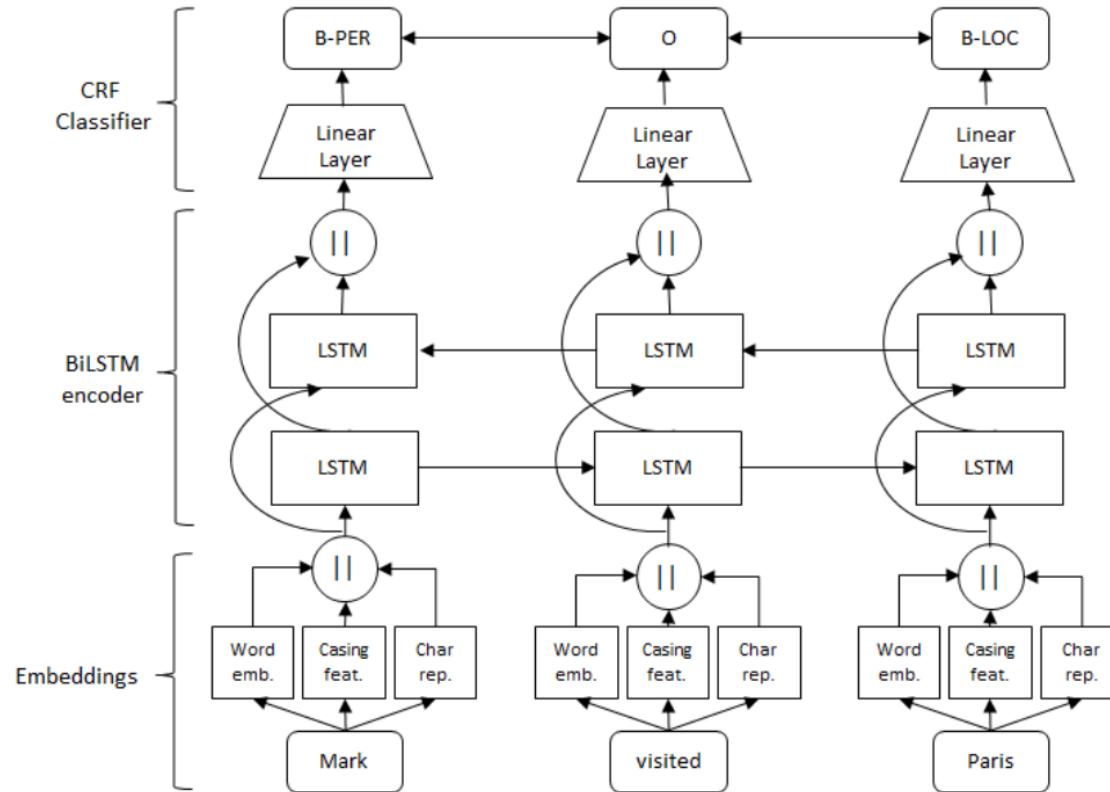
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Using LSTM networks in sequence labelling applications



Source: Nils Reimers and Iryna Gurevych. Optimal Hyperparameters for Deep LSTM-Networks for Sequence Labeling Tasks

Using LSTM networks in sequence labelling tasks



- The BiLSTM architecture is a popular architecture for sequence labelling problems such as:
 - PoS tagging, NER (Named Entity Recognition), sentiment analysis tasks

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Reimers and Gurevych BiLSTM results

Task	Dataset	Training sentences	Test sentences	#tags
POS	WSJ	500	5459	45
Chunking	ConLL 2000 (WSJ)	8926	2009	23
NER	CoNLL 2003 (Reuters)	13862	3420	9
Entities	ACE 2005	15185	674	15
Events	TempEval3	4090	279	3

Dataset	Le. Dep.	Le. BoW	GloVe1	GloVe2	GloVe3	Komn.	G. News	FastText
POS	6.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	93.5%	0.0%	0.0%
$\Delta Acc.$	-0.39%	-2.52%	-4.14%	-4.97%	-2.60%		-1.95%	-2.28%
Chunking	60.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	37.1%	2.1%	0.0%
ΔF_1		-0.52%	-1.09%	-1.50%	-0.93%	-0.10%	-0.48%	-0.75%
NER	4.5%	0.0%	22.7%	0.0%	43.6%	27.3%	1.8%	0.0%
ΔF_1	-0.85%	-1.17%	-0.15%	-0.73%		-0.08%	-0.75%	-0.89%
Entities	4.2%	7.6%	0.8%	0.0%	6.7%	57.1%	21.8%	1.7%
ΔF_1	-0.92%	-0.89%	-1.50%	-2.24%	-0.80%		-0.33%	-1.13%
Events	12.9%	4.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	71.8%	9.7%	0.8%
ΔF_1	-0.55%	-0.78%	-2.77%	-3.55%	-2.55%		-0.67%	-1.36%
Average	17.8%	2.5%	4.7%	0.0%	10.1%	57.4%	7.1%	0.5%

Training data sizes: **GloVe3 840B** **Komn. 2B**

‘ *Nils Reimers and Iryna Gurevych (2017), see arxiv:*

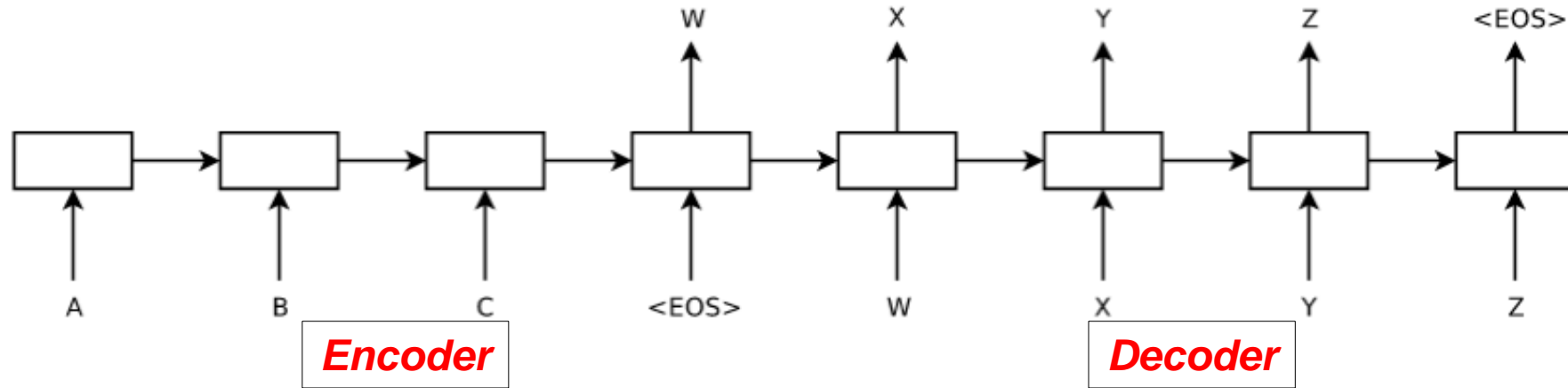
- Optimal Hyperparameters for Deep LSTM-Networks for Sequence Labeling Tasks
- Reporting Score Distributions Makes a Difference: Performance Study of LSTM-networks for Sequence Tagging

Classwork – Design LSTM word embedding model

■ For example:

- [the, dog] [the, cat] → chases **(+ example)** should give *high* probability
- [the, dog] [the, cat] → bites **(+ example)** should give *high* probability
- [the, dog] [the, cat] → buy **(- example)** should give *low* probability

Encoder-Decoder Architectures

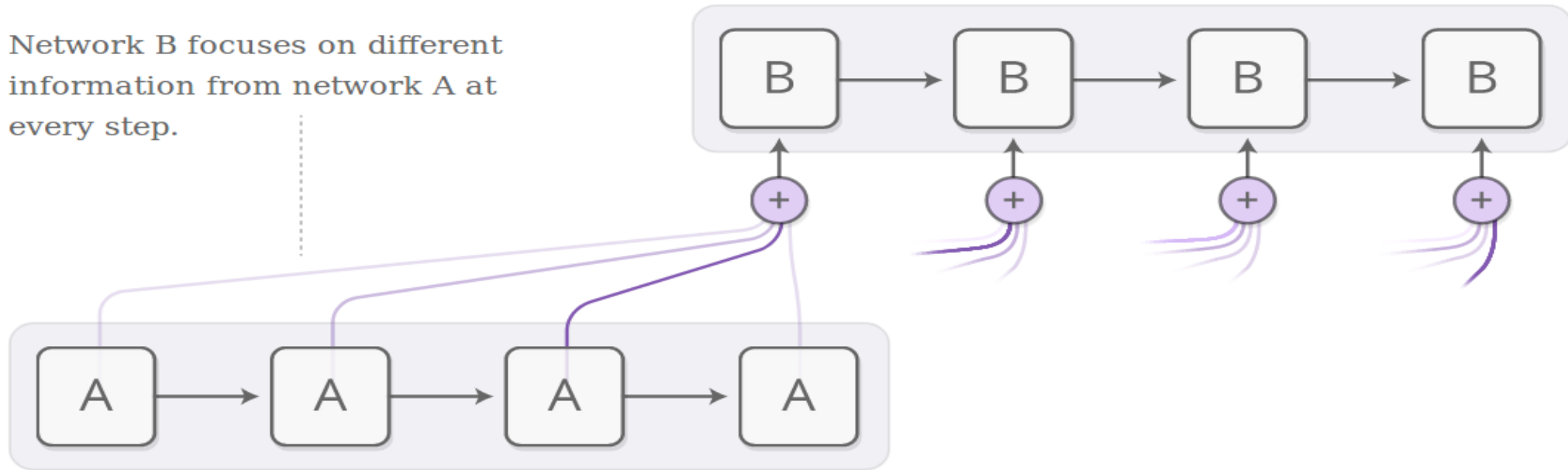


- The encoder encodes the whole sentence into *a compressed representation w*
- The decoder starts decoding w
- At each step the decoder is fed the previous word to generate the next word
- The decoding stops once the *End of Sentence (EOS)* token is generated.
- This simple architecture does a good job for *machine translation*.
- By training the decoder to generate the input sentence itself this architecture can be used to *learn sentence representations*

Source: Sutskever, Vinyals and Le. Sequence to Sequence Learning with Neural Networks

Attention based models

Network B focuses on different information from network A at every step.

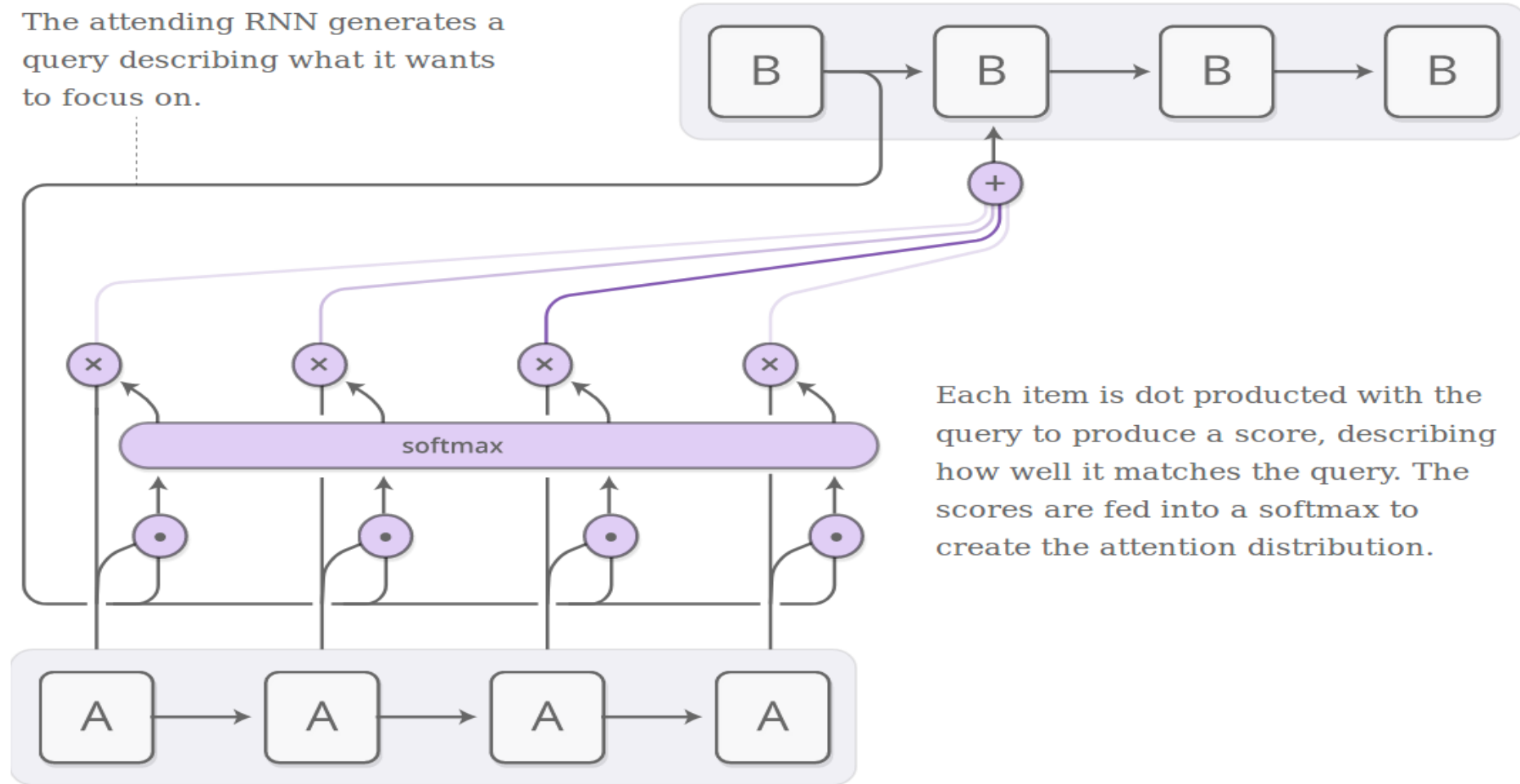


- **Network B** is your output network (here a RNN)
- **Network A** is the input network
- The input to B is now a weighted combination of the output from A

Source: Olah and Carter <https://distill.pub/2016/augmented-rnns/>

Attention based models

The attending RNN generates a query describing what it wants to focus on.



Each item is dot producted with the query to produce a score, describing how well it matches the query. The scores are fed into a softmax to create the attention distribution.

- At each step, **similarity** between the **hidden output from B** and the output from A is computed
- The similarity scores are fed to a softmax unit to find the most similar items from A
- Multiply gate is used to generate a linear combination of **most relevant outputs from A**

Attention based models

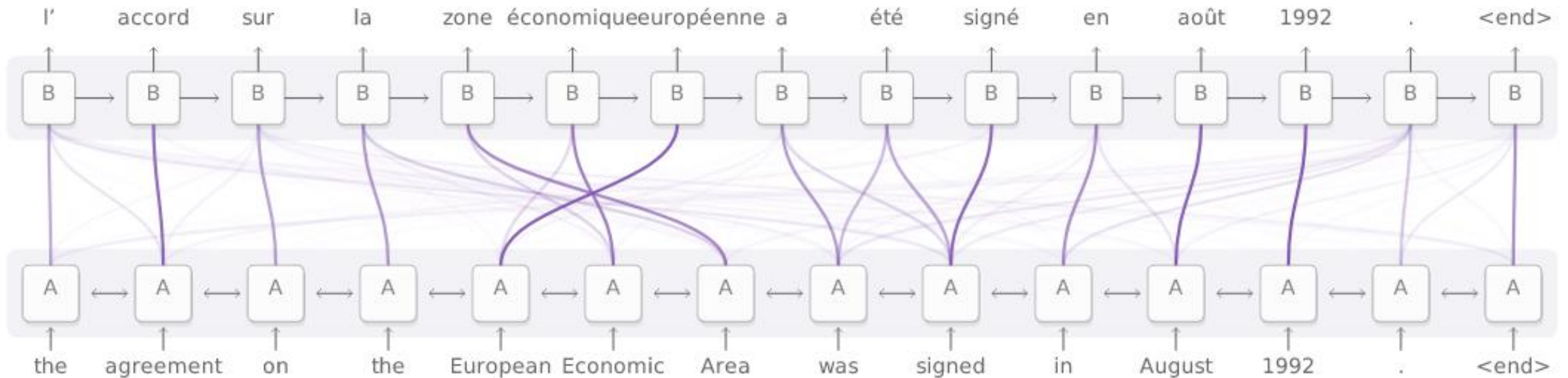


Diagram derived from Fig. 3 of [Bahdanau, et al. 2014](#)

- The attention mechanism generates a simpler architecture compared to the encoder-decoder setup
- In the encoder-decoder setup, the encoder has to summarise the whole sentence into a single vector
- In the above architecture, there is a closer connection between the input and the output
- This results in better gradient flow and hence better performance on machine translation tasks

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