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Part 3 (10 points, non-coding task)

Define function $\text{Softmax} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, with the i th output value as

$$\text{Softmax}_i(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{\exp(z_i)}{\sum_{j=0}^{d-1} \exp(z_j)}.$$

At position l_1 in the attending sequence, its attention score to position l_2 in the being attended sequence for head h is denoted as α_{h,l_1l_2} .

We can write α_{h,l_1l_2} in the following form:

$$\alpha_{h,l_1l_2} = \text{Softmax}_{l_2}(\boxed{???}),$$

What is the formula in the above red box (reasoning is not required)?

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$$\alpha_{h,l_1l_2} = \text{Softmax}_{l_2}\left(\frac{\mathbf{q}_{h,l_1}^\top \mathbf{K}_h^\top}{\sqrt{D_{qk}}}\right),$$



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where

$$\mathbf{K}_h = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k}_{h,0}^\top \\ \mathbf{k}_{h,1}^\top \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{k}_{h,L_2-1}^\top \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{L_2 \times D_{q^k}}.$$

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