

Attention and Self-Attention

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In the prev. lecture:

- ① seq2seq modeling \rightarrow decoding
- ② attention mechanism. real vector

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one-hot decoder output

greedy —

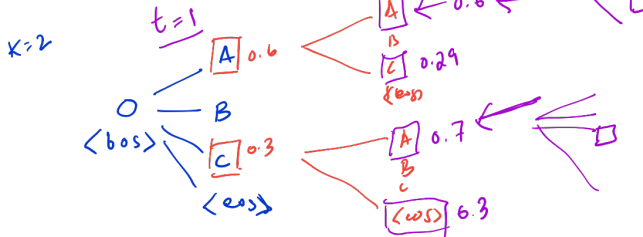
exhaustive —

beam search —

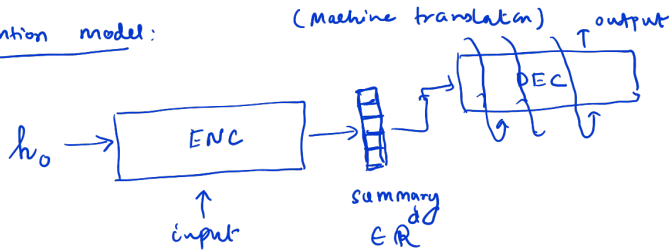
$$O(k |Y| T_Y)$$

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target sentence



Attention model:



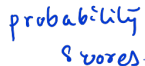
"large sentence"

↓ *mimic*

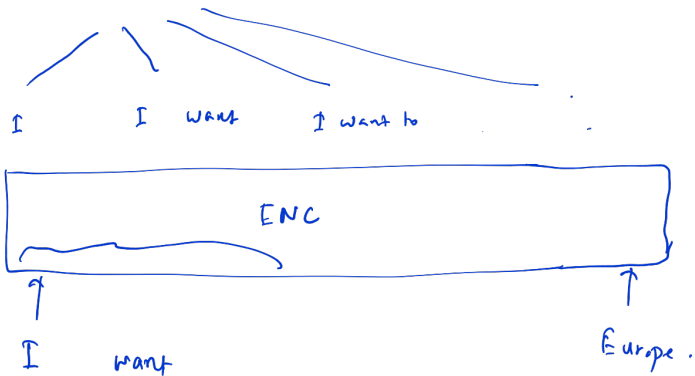
Which parts are relevant
(or should be given more
attention to ?)

↓

attention mechanism.



2d-dimens-
 $\in \mathbb{R}^{2d}$



let $h_{t'} = \left(\overrightarrow{h_{t'}}, \overleftarrow{h_{t'}} \right)$

hidden state
(summary at $b=t'$)
from the encoder

what we want

$$\sum_{t'} \alpha_{i,t'} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_{i,j} \geq 0$$

probability.

Content vector

$$C_i = \sum_{t'} \boxed{\alpha_{i,t'}} h_{t'}$$

attention score or
attention weight ↴

$\alpha_{t,t'} = \text{softmax}(e_{t,t'})$
 $= \frac{\exp(e_{t,t'})}{\sum_{t'=1}^{T_x} \exp(e_{t,t'})}$

attention weight

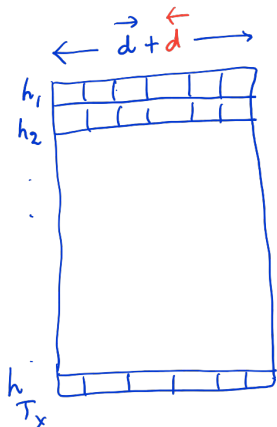
attention scores

$e_{t,t'} = \tanh([s_{t-1}, h_{t'}] \times w_a)$

hidden state / summary of the sender at $t = t-1$

$h_{t'}$ = summary of the encoder at $t = t'$





$$[T_x \times 2d]$$



$$\text{Softmax}(\tanh(\cdot))$$

$$[T_x \times (2d + d_1)] \times W_a [T_x + 1] = \text{attention scores.}$$

\uparrow bias ?
 \uparrow ?
 \downarrow T_x

Transformer Network:

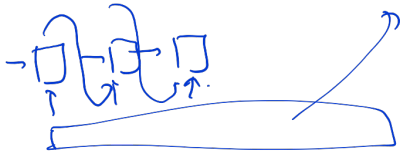
2017: A. Vaswani et. al. "Attention is all you need"

Idea: → attention based representation (content vectors)
+

→ convolution style of processing.



parallel processing.



2 mechanism \rightarrow

- ① Self-attention \leftarrow
- ② Multi-head attention. \leftarrow Next class.

Self-attention:

$A(q, k, v)$ value.

query key value.

attention-based representation.
"vector" for a word (token).

\updownarrow

word: word-embedding (one-hot vector)

I want to live in Europe.

$[0, 0, 0, 1, \dots, 0]$ as a postDoc ?
↓ as a businessman ?
[as a husband ?
rich embeddings

"Self-attention" is used to construct a
"rich" (very information) embedding of a
Word (or tokens).

attention = Softmax ()

$$= \frac{\exp(\square)}{\sum \exp(\square)}$$

(dot product)

attention for =
word or
token " i "

\sum_i

$$\frac{\exp(q \cdot k_i)}{\sum_j \exp(q \cdot k_j)}$$

v_i

query
at i

$A(q_i, k, v)$

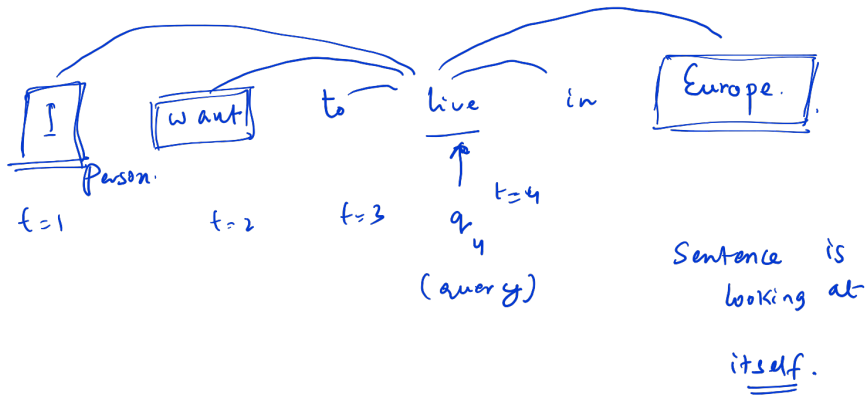
keys values

← scalar
 p_i ← vector
 v_i

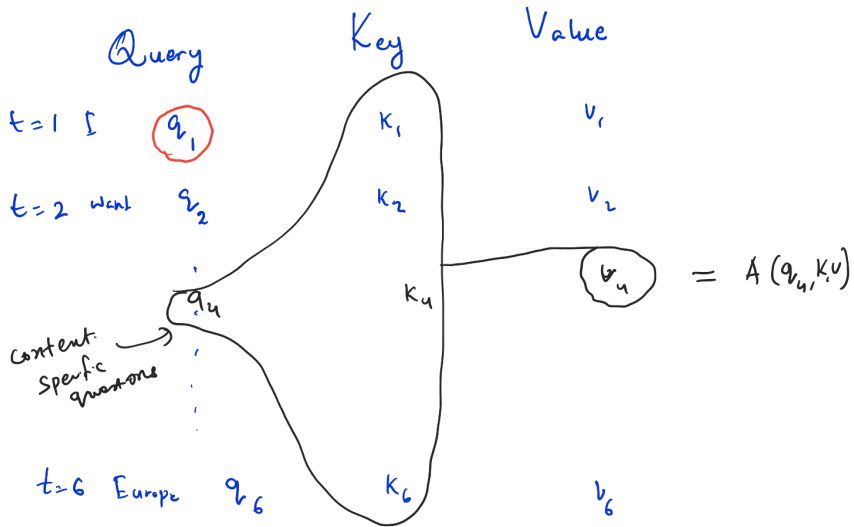
"self"

$$A(q_i, K, V) = \sum_i \left[\frac{\exp(q \cdot k_i)}{\sum_j \exp(q \cdot k_j)} \right] v_i$$

Softmax



→ associate each word with 3-tuple $\langle q, k, v \rangle$



for every $t = 1 \dots T_x$:

compute $A(q_t, K, V)$

↓

"rich" representations.

word $t=1$	[$A(q_1, K, V)$]
$t=2$	[$A(q_2, K, V)$]
\vdots			
$t=T_x$	[$A(q_{T_x}, K, V)$]

Let x_4 : be the word-embedding for the word "live"
(one-hot representation)

then

$$\begin{aligned} q_4 &: w_q \times x_4 \\ k_4 &: w_k \times x_4 \\ v_4 &: w_v \times x_v \end{aligned}$$

parameters of the model

In vectorised form:

$$\text{attention}(Q, K, V) = \text{softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}}\right)V$$

$q \cdot k_i$

used to
control explosion
of the numerator

Scaled dot-product
attention.

(Scaling parameter)

(Attention is all you
need.)

example: I want to live in Europe;

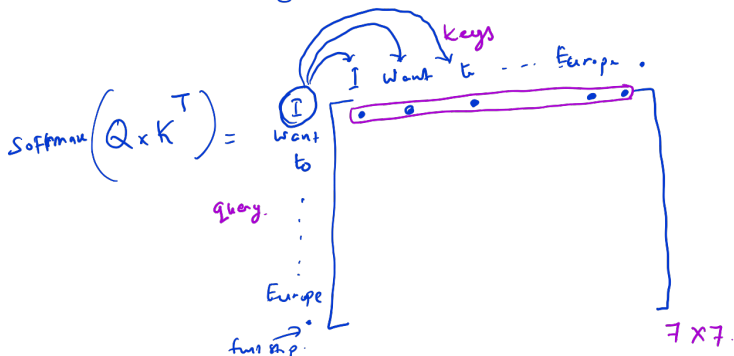
sentence length = 7

word-embedding dimension = 1000

size of $Q, K, V = 7 \times 1000$

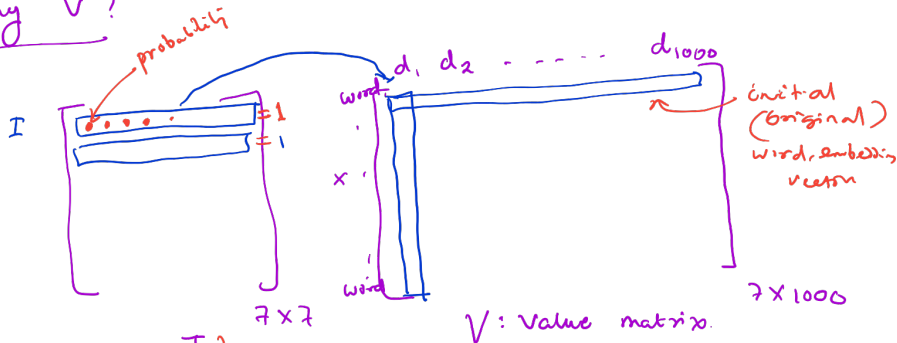
$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1000 \end{bmatrix}$

word
dictionary



probability
matrix
(attention-score
matrix)

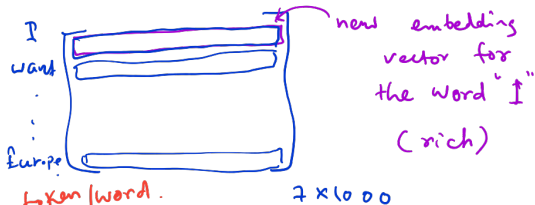
why V?



$\text{softmax}(Q \times K^T)$

self attention scores

adjusted token/word embeddings.



$$\text{softmax}(Q K^T) \cdot V$$