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# Week 6 : Assignment 6

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.  
Due on 2025-03-05, 23:59 IST.

Assignment submitted on 2025-02-27, 22:04 IST

1) What is the key advantage of multi-head attention? 1 point

- ☐ It uses a single attention score for the entire sequence
- ☒ It allows attending to different parts of the input sequence simultaneously
- ☐ It eliminates the need for normalization
- ☐ It reduces the model size

Yes, the answer is correct.  
Score: 1  
Accepted Answers:  
*It allows attending to different parts of the input sequence simultaneously*

2) What is the role of the residual connection in the Transformer architecture? 1 point

- ☒ Improve gradient flow during backpropagation
- ☐ Normalize input embeddings
- ☐ Reduce computational complexity
- ☐ Prevent overfitting

Yes, the answer is correct.  
Score: 1  
Accepted Answers:  
*Improve gradient flow during backpropagation*

3) Which of the following elements addresses the lack of sequence information in self-attention? 1 point

- ☐ Non-linear transformations
- ☒ Positional encoding
- ☐ Masked decoding
- ☐ Residual connections

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Yes, the answer is correct.  
Score: 1  
Accepted Answers:  
*Positional encoding*

4) For Rotary Position Embedding (RoPE), which of the following statements are true? **1 point**

- ☐ Combines relative and absolute positional information
- ☒ Applies a multiplicative rotation matrix to encode positions
- ☐ Eliminates the need for positional encodings
- ☐ All of the above

Partially Correct.  
Score: 0.5

Accepted Answers:  
*Combines relative and absolute positional information*  
*Applies a multiplicative rotation matrix to encode positions*

5) Consider a sequence of tokens of length 4:  $[w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4]$ . Using masked self-attention, **2 points** compute the attention weights for token  $w_3$ , assuming the unmasked attention scores are:  $[5, 2, 1, 3]$

- ☐  $[0.6234, 0.023, 0.3424, 0.0112]$
- ☒  $[0.2957, 0.7043, 0, 0]$
- ☐  $[0.9362, 0.0466, 0.0171, 0]$
- ☐  $[0.5061, 0.437, 0, 0.0569]$

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
 *$[0.9362, 0.0466, 0.0171, 0]$*

6) \_\_\_\_\_ maps the values of a feature in the range  $[0, 1]$ . **1 point**

- ☐ Standardization
- ☒ Normalization
- ☐ Transformation
- ☐ Scaling

Yes, the answer is correct.  
Score: 1

Accepted Answers:  
*Normalization*

7) How does masked self-attention help in autoregressive models? **1 point**

- ☐ By attending to all tokens, including future ones.
- ☒ By focusing only on past tokens to prevent information leakage.
- ☐ By ignoring positional information in the sequence.
- ☐ By disabling the attention mechanism entirely.

Yes, the answer is correct.  
Score: 1

Accepted Answers:  
*By focusing only on past tokens to prevent information leakage.*

8) For a transformer with  $d_{\text{model}} = 512$ , calculate the positional encoding for position  $p=10$  **2 points** and dimensions 2 and 3 using the sinusoidal formula:

$$PE(p, 2i) = \sin\left(\frac{p}{10000^{2i/d_{\text{model}}}}\right) \quad PE(p, 2i + 1) = \cos\left(\frac{p}{10000^{2i/d_{\text{model}}}}\right)$$

- ☐  $\sin\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/256}}\right), \cos\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/256}}\right)$
- ☐  $\cos\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/512}}\right), \sin\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/512}}\right)$
- ☐  $\cos\left(\frac{10}{10000^{4/512}}\right), \sin\left(\frac{10}{10000^{7/256}}\right)$
- ☒  $\sin\left(\frac{10}{10000^{2/512}}\right), \cos\left(\frac{10}{10000^{3/512}}\right)$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$\sin\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/256}}\right), \cos\left(\frac{10}{10000^{1/256}}\right)$$