



0 to ~80 in 90 minutes

a shallow intro to deep networks

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Neural Networks



functions from vectors to vectors





Neural Networks



functions from vectors to probabilities

(these are still functions from vectors to vectors)





Predicting from a vector







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Predict from a vector (Linear Layer + softmax)

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 $\mathbf{y_1},...,\mathbf{y_n}$

Desired:

 $f_{ heta}(\mathbf{x})$ "that works well"

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{y_1}, \dots, \mathbf{y_n}$$
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$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{\hat{Y}}_{ heta})$$

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loss function

i=1 decomposed over items



$$rgmin_{ heta} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{\hat{Y}}_{ heta})$$

solved with gradient based methods

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the common ones







Neural Network







Predicting from words

Neural NLP Building Blocks

- Word Embeddings: translate a word to a vector.
- Ways of combining vectors.

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Word Embeddings

- Translate each word in the (fixed) vocabulary to a vector.
 - Typical dimensions: 100-300
 - Translation is done using a lookup table.
 - Can be "pre-trained" (word2vec, glove)
- Dealing with "infinite" vocabularies:
 - {characters}, {word pieces, bpe}, {fastText}





Word Embeddings







Word Embeddings

$$\mathbf{v}_{book} = \mathbf{E}[book]$$



















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B I U N L P

Combining Vectors















I book a read about book about read I a I a about book read a read about book I

more words = longer vectors

order invariant



The Computation Graph


Gradient-based training

- Computing the gradients:
 - The network (and loss calculation) is a mathematical function.

 $\ell(x,k) = -log(softmax(\mathbf{W}^3g^2(\mathbf{W}^2g^1(\mathbf{W}^1x + \mathbf{b}^1) + \mathbf{b}^2) + \mathbf{b}^3)[k])$

- Calculus rules apply.
- (a bit hairy, but carefully follow the chain rule and you'll get there)

The Computation Graph (CG)

- a DAG.
- Leafs are inputs (or parameters).
- Nodes are operators (functions).
- Edges are results (values).
- Can be built for any function.



 MLP_1



MLP_1 with concrete input





- Create a graph for each training example.
- Once graph is built, we have two essential algorithms:
 - Forward: compute all values.
 - Backward (backprop): compute all gradients.



Computing the Gradients (backprop)

- Consider the chain-rule (example on blackboard)
- Each node needs to know how to:
 - Compute forward.
 - Compute its local gradient.















Landscape (partial)







B I U N L P N L P Network Training algorithm:

- For each training example (or mini-batch):
 - Create graph for computing loss.
 - Compute loss (forward).
 - Compute gradients (**backwards**).
 - Update model parameters.









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Back to Combining Vectors





ConvNets

- "bags of ngrams".
- Useful!

(we'll probably skip them today)





the actual service was not very good















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good the actual service not was very









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the actual service was not very good













(another way to represent text convolutions)





(another way to represent text convolutions)








(another way to represent text convolutions)



(we'll focus on the 1-d view here, but remember they are equivalent)





(usually also add non linearity)



(can have larger filters)







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the actual service was not very good

we have the ngram vectors. now what?







the actual service was not very good

can do "pooling"





"Pooling"

Combine K vectors into a single vector





"Pooling"

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This vector is a summary of the K vectors, and can be used for prediction.





average pooling



the actual service was not very good





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the actual service was not very good





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max--- max -

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the actual service was not very good

max over each dimension



train end-to-end for some task

(train the MLP, the filter matrix, and the embeddings together)





RNNs





Recurrent Neural Network: RNN





I read a book about



Combining Vectors

Recurrent Neural Network: RNN

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¹ Combining Vectors

Recurrent Neural Network: RNN

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Recurrent Neural Network: RNN

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better controlled memory access

LSTM: differential gates

- The main idea behind the LSTM is that you want to somehow control the "memory access".
- In a SimpleRNN:

$$R_{SRNN}(\mathbf{s_{i-1}}, \mathbf{x_i}) = tanh(\mathbf{W^s} \cdot \mathbf{s_{i-1}} + \mathbf{W^x} \cdot \mathbf{x_i})$$

read previous state memory write new input

• All the memory gets overwritten





- We'd like to:
 - * Selectively read from some memory "cells".
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- A gate function:







• Using the gate function to control access:







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• (can also tie them: $\mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{r}} = 1 - \mathbf{g}^{\mathbf{w}}$)











Differentiable "Gates"

Problem with the gates:

- * they are fixed.
- * they don't depend on the input or the output.



Differentiable "Gates"

Problem with the gates:

- * they are fixed.* they don't depend on the input or the output.
- Solution: make them smooth, input dependent, and trainable.







LSTM (Long short-term Memory)

• The LSTM is a specific combination of gates.

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Combining Vectors

Recurrent Neural Network: RNN







Combining Vectors

multi-layer RNN









keep intermediate vectors





























Bi-RNN



a representation of a word in context.































Generation















Generation







Generation





















Text

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Seq2Seq





Seq2Seq + Attention



keep intermediate vectors



Seq2Seq + Attention



as **Bi-RNN**




















weighted sum



weighted sum



weighted sum







Attention Is All You Need

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replace RNN with attention-based mechanism

- Main concepts to know:
 - Self-attention
 - Multi-head attention
- Also think about: why do this? what is the motivation?





Self attention

each token attends to all tokens in previous layer







Self attention







Self attention









multi-head attention

one attention pattern









multi-head attention

another attention pattern



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Transformer

multi-head attention

why chose if we can just have several?







Skip connections



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Cost vs Opportunity

 Consider a standard d layer RNN from Lecture 13 with k hidden units, training on a sequence of length t.



- There are k^2 connections for each hidden-to-hidden connection. A total of $t \times k^2 \times d$ connections.
- We need to store all $t \times k \times d$ hidden units during training.
- Only $k \times d$ hidden units need to be stored at test time.





Cost vs Opportunitv

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• Which hidden layers can be computed in parallel in this RNN?





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Cost vs Opportunity

 Consider a standard d layer RNN from Lecture 13 with k hidden units, training on a sequence of length t.



- Both the input embeddings and the outputs of an RNN can be computed in parallel.
- The blue hidden units are independent given the red.
- The numer of sequential operation is still propotional to t.



































Information flow







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Transformer VS **RNN** case Information flow how do we pass information between the blue arrows? hiddens 1 hiddens 2 hiddens 3 hiddens 4 hiddens 2 hiddens 1 hiddens 3 hiddens 4 hiddens 1 hiddens 2 hiddens 3 hiddens 4

word 3

word 1

word 2





Positional information







Positional information







Neural NLP























Decoders



RNN

RNN + Attention

(Attention) Transformer

arbitrary length







