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Lecture 5: Sentence Embedding Bang Liu





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- 2. From word embedding to sentence embedding
- 3. From RNN to CNN
- 4. Context matters: Elmo
- 5. Structure matters: hierarchical sentence factorization
- 6. Multi-task learning for sentence embedding



- CMU CS11-747 Neural Networks for NLP, Graham Neubig
 - Spring 2020: <u>http://www.phontron.com/class/nn4nlp2020/schedule/contextualword-</u> sentemb.html
- NTU S-108 Applied Deep Learning, Yun-Nung (Vivian) Chen
 - Spring 2020: <u>https://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~miulab/s108-adl/syllabus</u>, lecture 3, 5
- https://amitness.com/2020/06/universal-sentence-encoder/

Tasks Using Sentence Representations







- Sentence classification
- Paraphrase identification
- Semantic matching
- Entailment
- Retrieval



- Classify sentences according to various traits
- Topic, sentiment, subjectivity/objectivity, etc.



I paid 100 Euros for a really flavourless food and not so delightful ambience.

Food was fine and I wouldn't say it was the best place I have ever tried.

We loved the food. Menu is perfect in here, something for everyone. Visiting this one again.

Paraphrase identification 7

- Identify whether sentence A and sentence B mean the same thing
- Note: exactly the same thing is too restrictive. Therefore, usually we use a loose sense of similarity.

Paraphrases in Twitter (PIT-2015)

Roberto Mancini has been sacked by Manchester City with the Blues saying

Setup:

- 18k training/dev data:
 - well balanced: about 35% paraphrases, 65% non-paraphrases
 - representative: semi-randomly selected from Twttier's trends
 - annotated by 5 Amazon Mechanical Turkers (good correlation with experts) -
- 1k test data: ٠
 - from a different time period annotated by expert
- 2 baselines:
 - Supervised: Logistic Regression
 - Unsupervised: Weighted Textual Matrix Factorization

Task: Given two sentences from Twitter, predict whether they imply the same meaning.

Roberto Mancini gets the boot from Man City

WORLD OF JENKS IS ON AT 11

World of Jenks is my favorite show on tv

https://alt.qcri.org/semeval2015/task1/



Yes!

No!

8 Semantic similarity/relatedness

- Do two sentences have similar meanings?
- Like paraphrase identification, but with sha

STSbenchmark dataset

http://ixa2.si.ehu.eus/stswiki/index.php/STSbenchmark

ades	of	gray.

_	The two sentences are completely equivalent, as they mean the same thing.
5	The bird is bathing in the sink. Birdie is washing itself in the water basin.
	The two sentences are mostly equivalent, but some unimportant details differ.
4	Two boys on a couch are playing video games. Two boys are playing a video game.
2	The two sentences are roughly equivalent, but some important information differs/missing.
3	John said he is considered a witness but not a suspect. "He is not a suspect anymore." John said.
2	The two sentences are not equivalent, but share some details.
2	They flew out of the nest in groups. They flew into the nest together.
	The two sentences are not equivalent, but are on the same topic.
1	The woman is playing the violin. The young lady enjoys listening to the guitar.
	The two sentences are completely dissimilar.
0	The black dog is running through the snow. A race car driver is driving his car through the mud.

Table 1: Similarity scores with explanations and English examples from Agirre et al. (2013).

Textual entailment 9

- Entailment: if A is true, then B is true (c.f. paraphrase, where opposite is also true)
- Contradiction: if A is true, then B is not true
- Neutral: cannot say either of the above

Р	A woman is talking on the phone while standing next to a dog		
H1	A woman is on the phone	entailment	
H2	A woman is walking her dog	neutral	
H3	A woman is sleeping	contradiction	
Р	Tax records show Waters earned around \$65,000 in 2000		
H1	Waters' tax records show clearly that he earned a lovely \$65k in 2000	entailment	
TTA			
H 2	Tax records indicate Waters earned about \$65K in 2000	entailment	

premise that is paired with three hypotheses in the datasets.

A Survey on Recognizing Textual Entailment as an NLP Evaluation

Table 2: Examples from the development sets of SNLI (top) and MultiNLI (bottom). Each example contains one



- Calculate vector representation
- Feed vector representation into classifier



From Word Embedding to Sentence Embedding

"Hello World" -Encoder 0.219 0.147 0.349 **Fixed-length vector**





- **Bag-of-Words (BOW):** no word order, different sentences can have same meaning
- word semantics



• **Bag-of-n-grams:** order in short context, data sparsity, high dimensionality, little sense about





• Loses the word order in the same way as the standard bag-of-words models do.



Framework of learning word vectors 15

- code.google.com/p/word2vec/ (Mikolov et al., 2013a).
- Predict the next word in a sentence Training objective: maximize the average log probability:

$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_{k=1}^{T-k} \log p(w_t | w_{t-k}, ..., w_{t+k})$$
$$p(w_t | w_{t-k}, ..., w_{t+k}) = \frac{e^{y_{w_t}}}{\sum_i e^{y_i}}$$

Each of y_i is un-normalized log-probability for each output word *i*:

$$y = b + Uh(w_{t-k}, ..., w_{t+k}; W)$$

Le et al., "Distributed Representations of Sentences and Documents" in ICML, 2014.

• Map a word to a unique vector: A particular implementation for training the word vectors:



Figure 1. A framework for learning word vectors. Context of three words ("the," "cat," and "sat") is used to predict the fourth word ("on"). The input words are mapped to columns of the matrix W to predict the output word.

From Word2Vec to Doc2Vec 16 **Distributed Memory version of Paragraph Vector**

- **Paragraph Vector**, an unsupervised algorithm that learns fixed-length feature representations from variablelength pieces of texts (sentences, paragraphs, documents)
- Assign a paragraph vector while sharing word vectors among all sentences. Then we either average or concatenate them (paragraph vector and words vector) to get the final sentence representation.
- If you notice, it is an extension of the **Continuous Bag-of-Word** type of Word2Vec

Le et al., "Distributed Representations of Sentences and Documents" in ICML, 2014.



Figure 2. A framework for learning paragraph vector. This framework is similar to the framework presented in Figure 1; the only change is the additional paragraph token that is mapped to a vector via matrix D. In this model, the concatenation or average of this vector with a context of three words is used to predict the fourth word. The paragraph vector represents the missing information from the current context and can act as a memory of the topic of the paragraph.

From Word2Vec to Doc2Vec 17 **Distributed Memory version of Paragraph Vector**

- Training stage: training to get word vectors W, softmax weights U, b and paragraph vectors D on already seen paragraphs
- Inference stage: get paragraph vectors D for new paragraphs (never seen before) by adding more columns in D and gradient descending on D while holding W, U, b fixed.
- D can be utilized for text classification tasks.

Le et al., "Distributed Representations of Sentences and Documents" in ICML, 2014.



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From Word2Vec to Doc2Vec 18 **Distributed Bag of Words version of Paragraph Vector**

- PVDOBW is another extension, this time of the Skip-gram type.
- Here, we just sample random words from the sentence and make the model predict which sentence it came from(a classification task).
- The authors of the paper recommend using both in combination, but state that usually PVDM is more than enough for most tasks.

Le et al., "Distributed Representations of Sentences and Documents" in ICML, 2014.



Figure 3. Distributed Bag of Words version of paragraph vectors. In this version, the paragraph vector is trained to predict the words in a small window.

Doc2Vec on Sentiment Classification

Table 1. The performance of our method compared to other approaches on the Stanford Sentiment Treebank dataset. The errorTable 2. The performance of Paragraph Vector compared to other
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Model	Error rate	Error rate	Model	Error rate
	(Positive/	(Fine-	BoW (bnc) (Maas et al., 2011)	12.20 %
	Negative)	grained)	BoW ($b\Delta t$ 'c) (Maas et al., 2011)	11.77%
Naïve Bayes	18.2 %	59.0%	LDA (Maas et al. 2011)	32 58%
(Socher et al., 2013b)			Ev11 + DeW (Meas et al., 2011)	11 670
SVMs (Socher et al., 2013b)	20.6%	59.3%	Full+Bow (Maas et al., 2011)	11.07%
Bigram Naïve Bayes	16.9%	58.1%	Full+Unlabeled+BoW (Maas et al., 201	.) 11.11%
(Socher et al., 2013b)			WRRBM (Dahl et al., 2012)	12.58%
Word Vector Averaging	19.9%	67.3%	WRRBM + BoW (bnc) (Dahl et al., 201	2) 10.77%
(Socher et al., 2013b)			MNB-uni (Wang & Manning, 2012)	16.45%
Recursive Neural Network	17.6%	56.8%	MNB-bi (Wang & Manning, 2012)	13.41%
(Socher et al., 2013b)			SVM_uni (Wang & Manning 2012)	13 05%
Matrix Vector-RNN	17.1%	55.6%	SVM bi (Wang & Manning, 2012)	10.9407
(Socher et al., 2013b)			SVM-bi (wang & Manning, 2012)	10.84%
Recursive Neural Tensor Network	14.6%	54.3%	NBSVM-uni (Wang & Manning, 2012)	11.71%
(Socher et al., 2013b)			NBSVM-bi (Wang & Manning, 2012)	8.78%
Paragraph Vector	12.2%	51.3%	Paragraph Vector	7.42%

Doc2Vec on Information Retrieval 20

Table 3. The performance of Paragraph Vector and bag-of-words models on the information retrieval task. "Weighted Bag-ofbigrams" is the method where we learn a linear matrix W on TF-IDF bigram features that maximizes the distance between the first and the third paragraph and minimizes the distance between the first and the second paragraph.

Model

Vector Averaging Bag-of-words **Bag-of-bigrams** Weighted Bag-of Paragraph Vector

Le et al., "Distributed Representations of Sentences and Documents" in ICML, 2014.

	Error rate
g	10.25%
	8.10 %
	7.28 %
f-bigrams	5.67%
r	3.82%

From RNN to CNN







- Recurrent neural nets cannot capture phrases without prefix context
- Often capture too much of last words in final vector



Softmax is often only calculated at the last step.



- What if we compute vectors for every possible word subsequence of a certain length?

tentative deal reached to keep government open

• Regardless of whether phrase is grammatical (not very linguistically or cognitively plausible)



• 1D discrete convolution

$$(f * g)[n] = \sum_{m=-M}^{M} f[n - m]g[m]$$

- Mostly utilized in signal processing
- Example: (on the right)
 - Kernel window size: 3
 - Number of filters: 1
 - Padding size: 2
 - Stride size: 1







• 2D discrete convolution

$$(f * g)[m, n] = \sum_{i=-M}^{M} \sum_{j=-N}^{N} f[i, j]g[m - i, n - j]g[m - i, n]g[m - i, n]$$

- Classically used to extract features from images
- Example: (on the right)
 - Kernel window size: 3*3
 - Number of filters: 1
 - Padding size: 0
 - Stride size: 1

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Convolved Feature

Image



- Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) is a type of feedforward neural network. It is motivated by biologically receptive fields mechanism.
- A receptive field is an area in which stimulation leads to response of a particular sensory neuron.



27 Receptive field and CNN







How to recognize?





Convolutional filters









Hierarchical feature representations 29









31 CNN for sentence classification



Zhang et al., "A Sensitivity Analysis of (and Practitioners' Guide to) Convolutional Neural Networks for Sentence Classification," arXiv

Following previous work (Kim 2014). Test the effects of different settings.

Effects of different settings:

- input word vectors: word2vec, glove, concatenate
- filter region size 2.
- number of feature maps 3.
- activation function 4
- 5. pooling strategy
- regularization: dropout and 6. **I2** norm constraint



Context Matters: ELMO







http://jalammar.github.io/illustrated-bert/



Word embedding polysemy issue 34

- Words are polysemy
 - \checkmark An apple a day, keeps the doctor away.
 - Smartphone companies including apple, …
- However, their embeddings are NOT polysemy
- Issue
 - Multi-senses (polysemy)
 - Multi-aspects (semantics, syntax)





ELMo: Embedding from Language Models 35

- Idea: contextualized word representations
- Learn word vectors using long contexts instead of a context window
- Learn a deep Bi-NLM and use all its layers in prediction



Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.







Bidirectional LM

$$p(t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_N)$$



Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



N $) = \prod p(t_k \mid t_1, \cdots, t_{k-1})$ k=1

Forward LM


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Bidirectional LM

$$p(t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_N) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \ N}}^N p(t_k \mid t_1, \cdots, t_N)$$
$$p(t_1, t_2, \cdots, t_N) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \ N}}^N p(t_k \mid t_{k+1}, \cdots, t_N)$$

- Character CNN for initial word embeddings Ο 2048 n-gram filters, 2 highway layers, 512 dim projection
- 2 BLSTM layers Ο
- Parameter tying for input/output layers Ο

$$O = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \left(\log p(t_k \mid t_1, \cdots, t_{k-1}; \Theta_x) \right)$$

 $+ \log p(t_k \mid t_{k+1}, \cdots, t_N; \Theta_x, \overleftarrow{\Theta}_{LSTM}, \Theta_s))$ Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



Forward LM Backward LM



- $t_{k-1})$
 - $,t_N)$

 $\overrightarrow{\Theta}_{LSTM},\Theta_s)$

ELMo: Embedding from Language Models 38

ELMo

- Learn task-specific linear combination of LM embeddings 0
- Use multiple layers in LSTM instead of top one 0

$$\text{ELMo}_{k}^{\text{task}} = \gamma^{\text{task}} \times \sum \left\{ \begin{array}{c} s_{2}^{\text{task}} \times h_{k2}^{LM} & \overrightarrow{h}_{k2}^{LM} \\ s_{1}^{\text{task}} & \times h_{k1}^{LM} & \overrightarrow{h}_{k1}^{LM} \\ s_{0}^{\text{task}} & \times h_{k0}^{LM} & \overrightarrow{x}_{k} \end{array} \right.$$

- γ^{task} scales overall usefulness of ELMo to task
- s^{task} are softmax-normalized weights
- optional layer normalization

A task-specific embedding with combining weights learned from a downstream task Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.







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3) Use ELMo in Supervised NLP Tasks

- Get LM embedding for each word 0
- Freeze LM weights to form ELMo enhanced embeddings Ο $[h_k; ELMo_k^{task}]$: concatenate ELMo into the intermediate layer $[x_k; ELMo_k^{task}]$: concatenate ELMo into the input layer
- Tricks: dropout, regularization 0

The way for concatenation depends on the task

Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.







Embedding of "stick" in "Let's stick to" - Step #1

Forward Language Model



Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



Backward Language Model



http://jalammar.github.io/illustrated-bert/







ELMo embedding of "stick" for this task in this context Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



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Model	Description	CONLL 2003 F1
Klein+, 2003	MEMM softmax markov model	86.07
Florian+, 2003	Linear/softmax/TBL/HMM	88.76
Finkel+, 2005	Categorical feature CRF	86.86
Ratinov and Roth, 2009	CRF+Wiki+Word cls	90.80
Peters+, 2017	BLSTM + char CNN + CRF	90.87
Ma and Hovy, 2016	BLSTM + char CNN + CRF	91.21
TagLM (Peters+, 2017)	LSTM BiLM in BLSTM Tagger	91.93
ELMo (Peters+, 2018)	ELMo in BLSTM	92.22

Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.





Improvement on various NLP tasks

	TASK	PREVIOUS SOTA		OUR BASELINE	ELMO + BASELINE	INCRE (ABSO RELAT
Machine Comprehension	SQuAD	Liu et al. (2017)	84.4	81.1	85.8	4.7/24
Textual Entailment	SNLI	Chen et al. (2017)	88.6	88.0	88.7 ± 0.17	0.7 / 5.
Semantic Role Labeling	SRL	He et al. (2017)	81.7	81.4	84.6	3.2/17
Coreference Resolution	Coref	Lee et al. (2017)	67.2	67.2	70.4	3.2/9.
Name Entity Recognition	NER	Peters et al. (2017)	91.93 ± 0.19	90.15	92.22 ± 0.10	2.06/2
Sentiment Analysis	SST-5	McCann et al. (2017)	53.7	51.4	54.7 ± 0.5	3.3 / 6.

Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



Good transfer learning in NLP (similar to computer vision)





Word embeddings v.s. contextualized embeddings

	Source	Ne
GloVe	play	pla Pla
biLM ·	Chico Ruiz made a spec- tacular play on Alusik 's grounder {}	Kie for exc
	O O	<pre>{ a su con</pre>

The biLM is able to disambiguate both the PoS and word sense in the source sentence

Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



arest Neighbors

- ying, game, games, played, players, plays, player, ay, football, multiplayer
- effer, the only junior in the group, was commended this ability to hit in the clutch, as well as his all-round cellent play.
- . } they were actors who had been handed fat roles in uccessful <u>play</u>, and had talent enough to fill the roles mpetently, with nice understatement.



The two NLM layers have differentiated uses/meanings

- syntactic dependencies, NER)
- \checkmark labeling, question answering, SNLI)

PoS Tagging

Model	Acc.
Collobert et al. (2011)	97.3
Ma and Hovy (2016)	97.6
Ling et al. (2015)	97.8
CoVe, First Layer	<u>93.3</u>
CoVe, Second Layer	92.8
biLM, First Layer	97.3
biLM, Second Layer	96.8

Peters et al., "Deep Contextualized Word Representations", in NAACL-HLT, 2018.



Lower layer is better for lower-level syntax, etc. (e.g. Part-of-speech tagging,

Higher layer is better for higher-level **semantics** (e.g. sentiment, semantic role

Word Sense Disambiguation

Model	\mathbf{F}_1
WordNet 1st Sense Baseline	65.9
Raganato et al. (2017a)	69.9
Iacobacci et al. (2016)	70.1
CoVe, First Layer	59.4
CoVe, Second Layer	64.7
biLM, First layer	67.4
biLM, Second layer	69.0

Structure Matters: Hierarchical Sentence Factorization











Reading Comprehension



Degree of semantic similarity between two sentences

(5) Completely equivalent: they mean the same thing (4) Mostly equivalent: some unimportant details differ. (2) Not equivalent: share some details. (1) Not equivalent: on the same topic. (0) On different topics.

- (3) Roughly equivalent: some important information differs/missing.



50 Siamese neural network



Natural Language is **Flexible**

Sentence A: The blue cat is chasing the brown mouse.

Sentence B: The brown mouse is being chased by the blue cat.

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Normalized sentence: chase blue cat brown mouse. Argument 0 Predicate Argument 1

Natural Language is **Compositional**

Sentence A: The blue cat is chasing the brown mouse.

Semantic Units: word, phrase, sentence

Natural Language is Hierarchical

Sentence A: The **blue cat** is chasing the brown mouse.

The blue cat is chasing the brown mouse.

The blue cat is chasing the brown mouse.





Sentence A: The little Jerry is being chased by Tom in the big yard.

Flexible: normalize order

Compositional: *factorize semantic units*

Hierarchical: *multi-layer factorization*

Sentence B: The blue cat is catching the brown mouse in the forecourt.



Sentence A: The little Jerry is being chased by Tom in the big yard.



AMR: Abstract Meaning Representation

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.





Sentence A: The little Jerry is being chased by **Tom** in the **big yard**.



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Sentence B: The blue cat is catching the **brown mouse** in the **forecourt**.

(b4)

catch cat blue mouse brown forecourt (0)









 $\alpha = \{\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_M\}$: normalized bag-of-words vector of S_1 $\beta = \{\beta_1, \dots, \beta_N\}$: normalized bag-of-words vector of S_2

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.



 D_{ij} : distance between word $i \in S_1$ and word $j \in S_2$ T_{ij} : the portion of word $i \in S_1$ that transports to word $j \in S_2$





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$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{T \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}_{+}}{\text{minimize}} & \sum_{i,j} T_{ij} D_{ij} \\ \text{subject to} & \sum_{i=1}^{M} T_{ij} = \beta_j & 1 \leq j \leq N, \\ & \sum_{j=1}^{N} T_{ij} = \alpha_i & 1 \leq i \leq M. \end{array}$$

 D_{ij} : distance between word $i \in S_1$ and word $j \in S_2$ T_{ij} : the portion of word $i \in S_1$ that transports to word $j \in S_2$





Inverse difference momen

prior distribution for values in

Distance from point (i, j) to diagonal lin

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{T \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}_{+}}{\text{minimize}} & \sum_{i,j} T_{ij} D_{ij} - \lambda_1 I(T) + \lambda_2 K L(T) \\ \text{subject to} & \sum_{i=1}^{M} T_{ij} = \beta'_j \quad 1 \leq j \leq N', \\ & \sum_{j=1}^{N} T_{ij} = \alpha'_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq M' \end{array}$$

nt:
$$I(T) = \sum_{i=1}^{M'} \sum_{j=1}^{N'} \frac{T_{ij}}{(\frac{i}{M'} - \frac{j}{N'})^2 + 1}$$

T:
$$P_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{l^2(i,j)}{2\sigma^2}}$$

ne:
$$l(i,j) = \frac{|i/M' - j/N'|}{\sqrt{1/M'^2 + 1/N'^2}}.$$





Table 2: Pearson Correlation results on different distanceTable 3: Spearman's Rank Correlation results on differentmetrics.

Algorithm	STSbenchmark		SI	MSRvid	
Algorithm	Test	Dev	Test	Dev	Test
BoW	0.5705	0.6561	0.6114	0.6087	0.5044
LexVec	0.5759	0.6852	0.6948	0.6811	0.7318
GloVe	0.4064	0.5207	0.6297	0.5892	0.5481
Fastext	0.5079	0.6247	0.6517	0.6421	0.5517
Word2vec	0.5550	0.6911	0.7021	0.6730	0.7209
WMD	0.4241	0.5679	0.5962	0.5953	0.3430
OWMD	0.6144	0.7240	0.6797	0.6772	0.7519

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.

A 1	STSben	chmark	SI	MSR	
Algorithm	Test	Dev	Test	Dev	Tes
BoW	0.5592	0.6572	0.5727	0.5894	0.523
LexVec	0.5472	0.7032	0.5872	0.5879	0.73
GloVe	0.4268	0.5862	0.5505	0.5490	0.582
Fastext	0.4874	0.6424	0.5739	0.5941	0.563
Word2vec	0.5184	0.7021	0.6082	0.6056	0.717
WMD	0.4270	0.5781	0.5488	0.5612	0.369
OWMD	0.5855	0.7253	0.6133	0.6188	0.754







(a) Siamese Architecture for Sentence Matching

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.

(b) Siamese Architecture with Factorized Multi-scale Sentence Representation



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The little Jerry is being chased by **Tom** in the **big yard**.

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.

The **blue cat** is catching the brown mouse in the forecourt.







Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.

65 Comparison to existing methods

Madal	MSRP		SICK		MSRvid		STSbenchma	
Model	Acc.(%)	F1(%)	r	ho	r	ho	r	ρ
MaLSTM	66.95	73.95	0.7824	0.71843	0.7325	0.7193	0.5739	0.55
Multi-scale MaLSTM	74.09	82.18	0.8168	0.74226	0.8236	0.8188	0.6839	0.65
HCTI	73.80	80.85	0.8408	0.7698	0.8848	0.8763	0.7697	0.75
Multi-scale HCTI	74.03	81.76	0.8437	0.7729	0.8763	0.8686	0.7269	0.70

(Accuracy, F1, Pearson's r, Spearman's ρ)

Open source: https://github.com/BangLiu/SentenceMatching

Liu et al., "Matching Natural Language Sentences with Hierarchical Sentence Factorization", in WWW, 2018.



Multitask Learning for Sentence Embedding



67 Motivation: limited training data

- Limited amounts of training data are available for many NLP tasks.
- Multitask to Increase Data: perform multitasking when one of your two tasks has many fewer data
- Multitask to Increase Data: perform multitasking when your tasks are related



Task 1 Task 2

Task 3



- Multi-task learning is a general term for training on multiple tasks
- tasks

	Trai
Transfer Learning	Tas
Multi-task Learning	Task 1
Lifelong Learning	Task 1
Learning to Transfer	Task 1 \downarrow
	Task 2

• Transfer learning is a type of multi-task learning where we only really care about one of the





- Design an encoder that summarizes any given sentence to a 512-dimensional sentence embedding.
- we update the sentence embedding.



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• Use this same embedding to solve multiple tasks and based on the mistakes it makes on those,

USE Encoder: Transformer 70

- network.
- root of the length of the sentence to account for the sentence-length difference.
- Better accuracy, higher complexity.





• 6 stacked transformer layers. Each layer has a self-attention module followed by a feed-forward

• The output context-aware word embeddings are added element-wise and divided by the square



1 USE Encoder: Deep Average Network

- First, the embeddings for word and bi-grams present in a sentence are averaged together.
- Then, they are passed through 4-layer feedforward deep DNN to get 512-dimensional sentence embedding.
- Slightly reduced accuracy, more efficient inference



Deep Averaging Network

Task: modified skip-thought 72

- predict the previous and next sentence.
- In USE, the same core idea is used. But instead of LSTM encoder-decoder architecture, transformer or DAN is used.

	Document
Previous sentence	
Center Sentence	Captain America tries lifting Thor's ha
Next Sentence	

Skip-Thought Vectors: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1506.06726.pdf

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• The idea with original skip-thought paper from Kiros et al. was to use the current sentence to



Skip-thought Task Structure
73 Task: conversational input-response prediction

- Predict the correct response for a given inprandomly sampled responses.
- The dot product of this two vectors (u for i input to response.



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• Predict the correct response for a given input among a list of correct responses and other

The dot product of this two vectors (u for input and v for response) gives the relevance of an



• Predict if a hypothesis entails, contradicts, or is neutral to a premise

Premise	Hypothesis
A soccer game with multiple males playing	Some men are playing a spo
I love Marvel movies	I hate Marvel movies
I love Marvel movies	A ship arrived

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Which method is better?

76 Which model?

- Not very extensive comparison...
- Wieting et al. (2015) find that simple word averaging is more robust out-of-domain
- Devlin et al. (2018) compare unidirectional and bi-directional transformer, but no comparison to LSTM like ELMo (for performance reasons?)
- Yang et al. (2019) have ablation where similar data to BERT is used and improvements are shown

Which training objective? 77

- Not very extensive comparison...
- better than MT encoder

• Zhang and Bowman (2018) control for training data, and find that bi-directional LM seems

• Devlin et al. (2018) find next-sentence prediction objective good compliment to LM objective



- Not very extensive comparison...
- 100% consistent.
- Data with context is probably essential.

• Zhang and Bowman (2018) find that more data is probably better, but results preliminary.

• Yang et al. (2019) show some improvements by adding much more data from web, but not



- (Due: Feb 4th, 2022 23:59pm, EST timezone)
- Suggested Readings:
 - Doc2Vec: https://cs.stanford.edu/~quocle/paragraph vector.pdf
 - Universal Sentence Encoder: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1803.11175.pdf

Next lecture: Seq2Seq, Attention, Machine Translation

• **Reading Assignment**: A Sensitivity Analysis of (and Practitioners' Guide to) Convolutional Neural Networks for Sentence Classification: <u>https://www.aclweb.org/anthology/I17-1026.pdf</u>

Thanks! Q&A

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