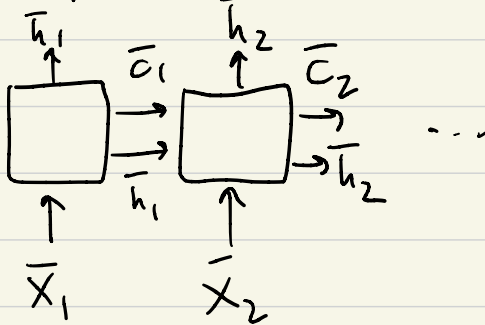


CS 378 Lecture 17

Today

- Finish LSTMs and language modeling
- Visualizing LSTMs
- Machine translation
- Word alignment

Recap LSTMs



See Olah
blog for
architecture

Main difference from Elman networks: gates

$$\bar{h}_i = \bar{h}_{i-1} \underset{\substack{\text{elementwise} \\ \text{product}}}{\circ \bar{f}} + \dots \quad \text{vector} \in [0, 1]^d$$

Announcements

- Midterm
 - Custom FP proposals
 - A4
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Machine Translation

- Learn to translate ^{sentences} from lang A into lang B

Input: source sentence $\bar{s}$

Output: target sent $\bar{t}$

Data: bitext - Set of sentences + their translations in the other lang.

Given a bitext, how do we learn to translate?

Je fais un bureau | I make a desk

Qu'est-ce que tu fais? | What are you
doing?

faire (Fr) = to make
to do

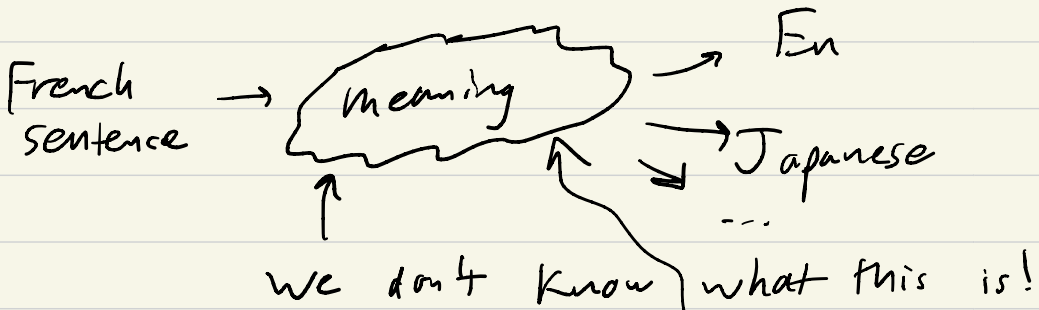
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- ① Word mapping is not one-to-one
- ② Some phrases need to be translated as a unit

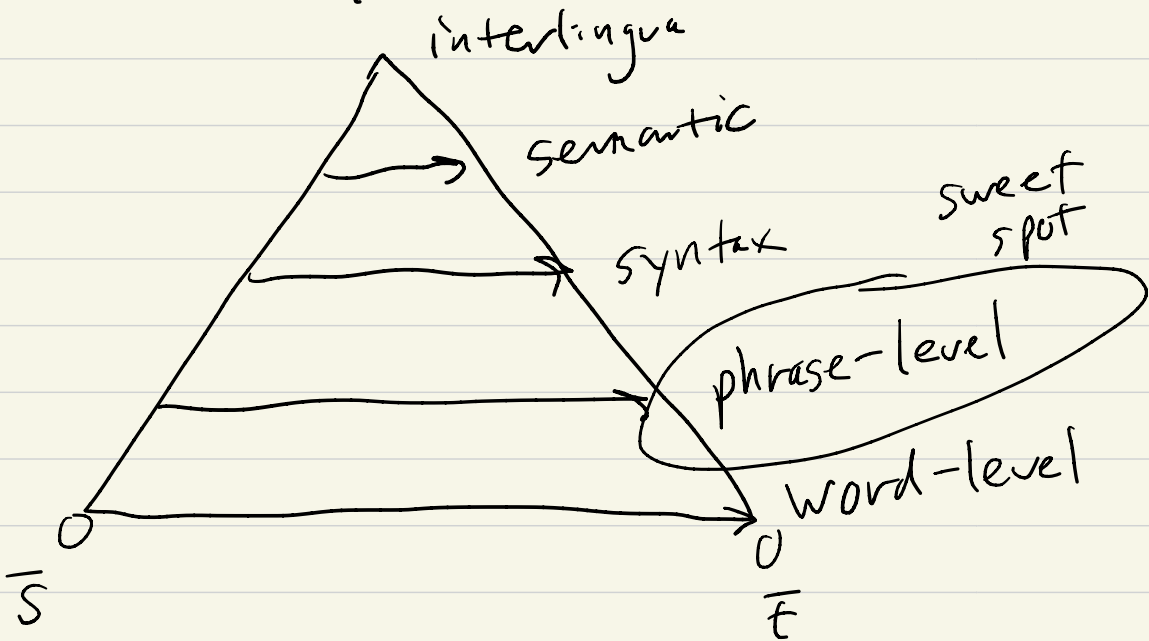
Step 1 Word alignment: discover word-level mapping between sentences in the bitext

Unsupervised learning problem

How to do MT?



Bernard Vauquois (1968)



Phrase-based MT

(this lecture +
part of next)

Then: neural MT

Bitext

↓ word alignment

Aligned bitext

Je fais
I do

↓ extract phrases

Phrase table

Je fais ||| I do

↓

Decoder

{ Phrase T.
LM

↑ this is a phrase
translation pair

produce translation w/ high LM prob
using high-scoring phrases

Word Alignment

Input: bitext, source sents $\bar{s}$
target sents $\bar{t}$

Output: Je fais un bureau
I am making a desk



Je vais le faire
I am going to do it



Alignments: one-to-many

Each word in $\bar{t}$ aligns to 1 word in $\bar{s}$

Define $\bar{a}$ as follows:

a_i = index in the source that the i th target word aligns to

$\bar{s}$ = Je vais le faire NULL

$\bar{a}$ = 1 / 2 / 2 4 / 4 3

$\bar{t}$ = I am going to do it

placeholder for
unaligned words

Alignment models: distribution

$$p(\bar{t}, \bar{a} | \bar{s})$$

generative model of
 $\bar{t}, \bar{a}$

$\bar{t}$ like words in an HMM

$\bar{a}$ is like the tags

IBM Model 1 (1993) n target words

$$\bar{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \quad \bar{T} = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$$

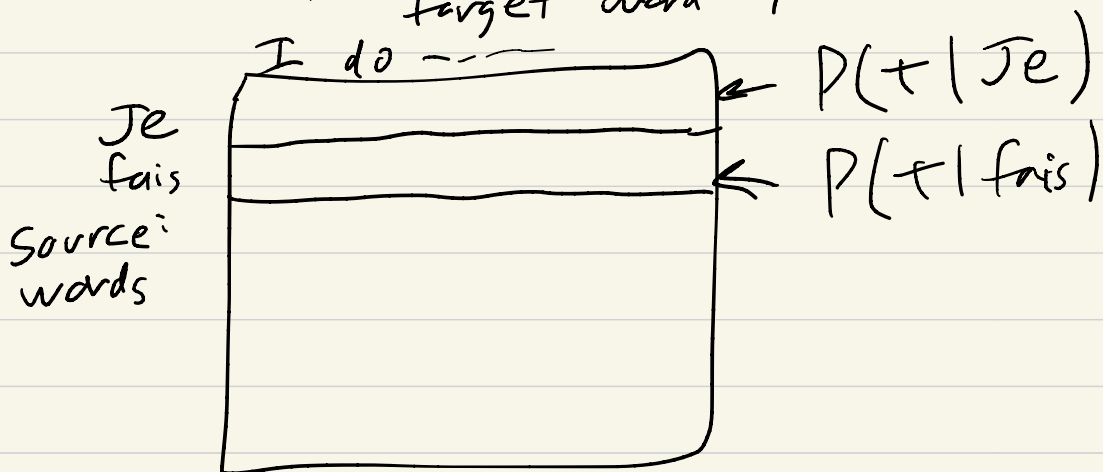
$$\bar{s} = (s_1, \dots, s_m, \text{NULL}) \quad m \text{ source words}$$

$$P(\bar{T}, \bar{a} | \bar{s}) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(a_i) P(t_i | s_{a_i})$$

Generative process: for each target word, pick a source index to align to
to $P(a_i) = \text{uniform dist over } \frac{1}{m+1}$ options

Generate t_i conditioned on s_{a_i}
the a_i th source word $\rightarrow$

Model params: dictionary
target word



a_i is like a switch. Tells you which source word to condition on to generate the given target

$a_1 = 1$ vs. $a_1 = 2$

$P(I | Je)$

very
high prob

$P(I | fais)$

very low prob