CENG501 — Deep Learning

Week 7

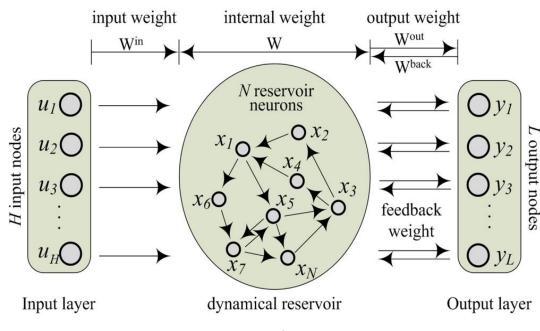
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Echo State Networks (ESN)

- Reservoir of a set of neurons
 - Randomly initialized and fixed
 - Run input sequence through the network and keep the activations of the reservoir neurons
 - Calculate the "readout" weights using linear regression.
- Has the benefits of recurrent connections/networks
- No problem of vanishing gradient



Li et al., 2015.

Attention previously

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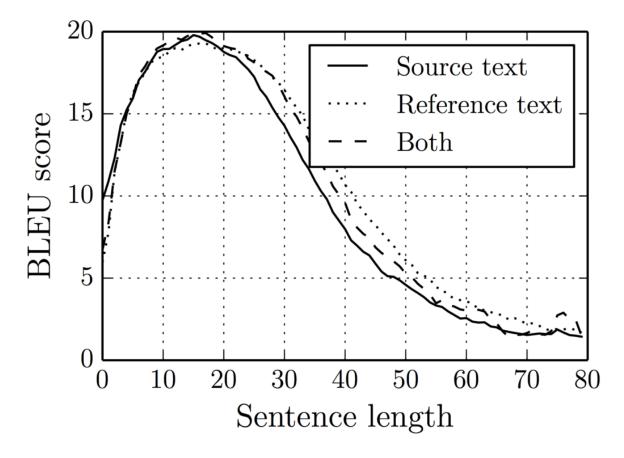
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BLEU: Bilingual Evaluation Understudy

https://cloud.google.com/translate/automl/docs/evaluate#bleu



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NEURAL MACHINE TRANSLATION BY JOINTLY LEARNING TO ALIGN AND TRANSLATE

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$$p(y_i|y_1,\ldots,y_{i-1},\mathbf{x}) = g(y_{i-1},s_i,c_i), \tag{4}$$

where s_i is an RNN hidden state for time i, computed by

$$s_i = f(s_{i-1}, y_{i-1}, c_i).$$

It should be noted that unlike the existing encoder-decoder approach (see Eq. (2)), here the probability is conditioned on a distinct context vector c_i for each target word y_i .

The context vector c_i depends on a sequence of *annotations* (h_1, \cdots, h_{T_x}) to which an encoder maps the input sentence. Each annotation h_i contains information about the whole input sequence with a strong focus on the parts surrounding the i-th word of the input sequence. We explain in detail how the annotations are computed in the next section.

The context vector c_i is, then, computed as a weighted sum of these annotations h_i :

$$c_i = \sum_{j=1}^{T_x} \alpha_{ij} h_j. \tag{5}$$

The weight α_{ij} of each annotation h_j is computed by

$$\alpha_{ij} = \frac{\exp\left(e_{ij}\right)}{\sum_{k=1}^{T_x} \exp\left(e_{ik}\right)},\tag{6}$$

where

$$e_{ij} = a(s_{i-1}, h_j)$$

is an alignment model which scores how well the inputs around position j and the output at position i match. The score is based on the RNN hidden state s_{i-1} (just before emitting y_i , Eq. (4)) and the j-th annotation h_j of the input sentence.

We parametrize the alignment model a as a feedforward neural network which is jointly trained with all the other components of the proposed system. Note that unlike in traditional machine translation,

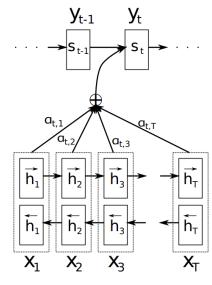


Figure 1: The graphical illustration of the proposed model trying to generate the t-th target word y_t given a source sentence (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_T) .

Attention Types Eviousiyon Eviousiyon

Name	Alignment score function	Citation
Content- base attention	$score(s_t, \boldsymbol{h}_i) = cosine[s_t, \boldsymbol{h}_i]$	Graves2014
Additive(*)	$score(\mathbf{s}_t, \mathbf{h}_i) = \mathbf{v}_a^{T} \tanh(\mathbf{W}_a[\mathbf{s}_t; \mathbf{h}_i])$	Bahdanau2015
Location- Base	$\alpha_{t,i} = \text{softmax}(\mathbf{W}_a \mathbf{s}_t)$ Note: This simplifies the softmax alignment to only depend on the target position.	Luong2015
General	$score(s_t, h_i) = s_t^{\top} \mathbf{W}_a h_i$ where \mathbf{W}_a is a trainable weight matrix in the attention layer.	Luong2015
Dot-Product	$score(\boldsymbol{s}_t, \boldsymbol{h}_i) = \boldsymbol{s}_t^{\top} \boldsymbol{h}_i$	Luong2015
Scaled Dot- Product(^)	$score(s_t, h_i) = \frac{s_t^{T} h_i}{\sqrt{n}}$ Note: very similar to the dot-product attention except for a scaling factor; where n is the dimension of the source hidden state.	Vaswani2017

^(*) Referred to as "concat" in Luong, et al., 2015 and as "additive attention" in Vaswani, et al., 2017.

https://lilianweng.github.io/lil-log/2018/06/24/attention-attention.html

^(^) It adds a scaling factor $1/\sqrt{n}$, motivated by the concern when the input is large, the softmax function may have an extremely small gradient, hard for efficient learning.

Attention: Transformer

Previous anilla self attention: $\exp(e_i^T)$

$$e_i' = \sum_{j} \frac{\exp(e_j^T e_i)}{\sum_{m} \exp(e_m^T e_i)} e_j$$

Scaled-dot product attention:

$$e_i' = \sum_{j} \frac{\exp(k(e_j^T)q(e_i))}{\sum_{m} \exp(k(e_m^T)q(e_i))} v(e_j)$$

$$Attention(Q, K, V) = softmax(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}})V$$

Attention Is All You Need

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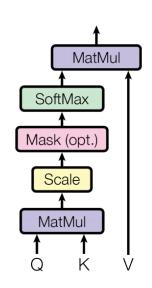
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Scaled Dot-Product Attention



Multi-Head Attention Concat Scaled Dot-Product Attention Linear Linear Linear Linear

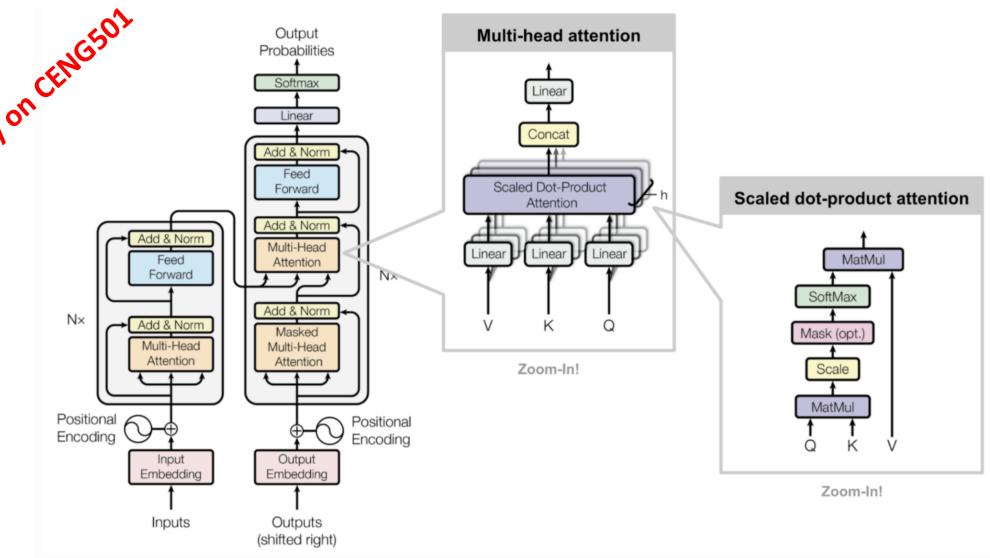


Fig. 17. The full model architecture of the transformer. (Image source: Fig 1 & 2 in Vaswani, et al., 2017.)

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Pasitional Encoding

$PE_{(pos,2i)} = \sin\left(\frac{pos}{10000^{\frac{2i}{d}}}\right)$

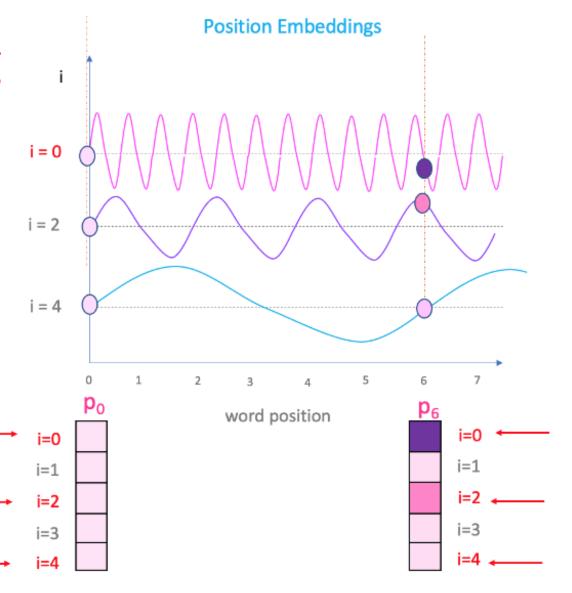


Fig from: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dichIcUZfOw

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A Significant Issue with Self-Attention:

$$e'_{i} = \sum_{j} \frac{\exp(k(e_{j}^{T})q(e_{i}))}{\sum_{m} \exp(k(e_{m}^{T})q(e_{i}))} v(e_{j})$$

- If there are *n* tokens/embeddings,
 - Updating a single tokens require O(n) operations.
 - Overall: $O(n^2)$
- What is the complexity of an RNN layer with *n* time steps?

Linear Attention

$$Q = xW_Q,$$
 $K = xW_K,$
 $V = xW_V,$

$$A_l(x) = V' = \operatorname{softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{D}}\right)V.$$
(2)

Rewrite Eq 2 for one row of the matrix:

$$V_i' = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \sin(Q_i, K_j) V_j}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \sin(Q_i, K_j)}.$$
 (3)

Equation 3 is equivalent to equation 2 if we substitute the similarity function with $sim(q, k) = exp\left(\frac{q^T k}{\sqrt{D}}\right)$.

ICML 2020 Transformers are RNNs: Fast Autoregressive Transformers with Linear Attention

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Constraint for sim(): It should be non-negative. Then, we can choose any other kernel/function:

Given such a kernel with a feature representation $\phi(x)$ we can rewrite equation 2 as follows,

$$V_{i}' = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \phi\left(Q_{i}\right)^{T} \phi\left(K_{j}\right) V_{j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{N} \phi\left(Q_{i}\right)^{T} \phi\left(K_{j}\right)}, \tag{4}$$

and then further simplify it by making use of the associative property of matrix multiplication to

$$V_{i}' = \frac{\phi(Q_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \phi(K_{j}) V_{j}^{T}}{\phi(Q_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \phi(K_{j})}.$$
 (5)

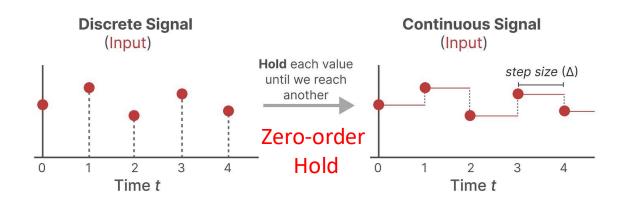
The above equation is simpler to follow when the numerator is written in vectorized form as follows,

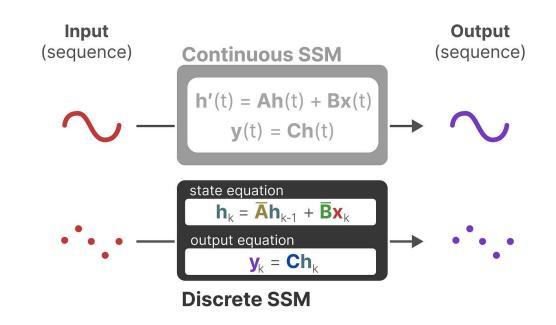
$$\left(\phi\left(Q\right)\phi\left(K\right)^{T}\right)V = \phi\left(Q\right)\left(\phi\left(K\right)^{T}V\right). \tag{6}$$

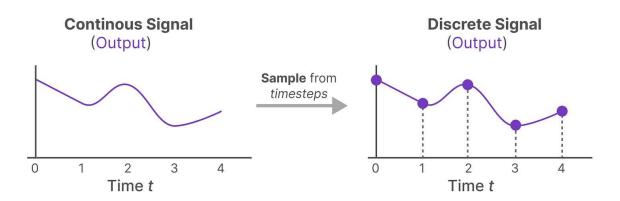
Note that the feature map $\phi(\cdot)$ is applied rowwise to the matrices Q and K.

State Pace Models (SSMs)

- Con it discrete signal to a continuous signal
- Stain a continuous output
- Convert the continuous output to a discrete signal

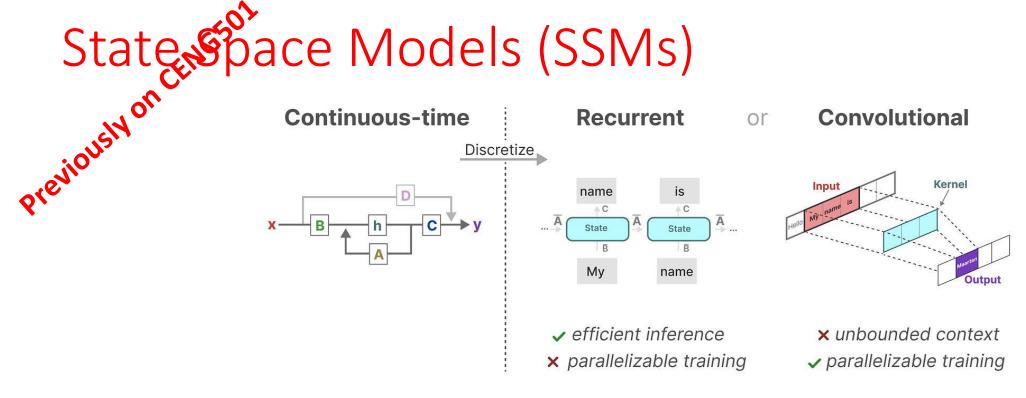


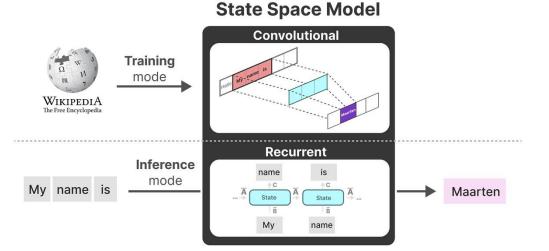




Discretized matrix \mathbf{A} $\mathbf{\bar{A}} = \exp(\Delta \mathbf{A})$ Discretized matrix \mathbf{B} $\mathbf{\bar{B}} = (\Delta \mathbf{A})^{-1}(\exp(\Delta \mathbf{A}) - I) \cdot \Delta \mathbf{B}$

Δ: Hold interval -- Learnable





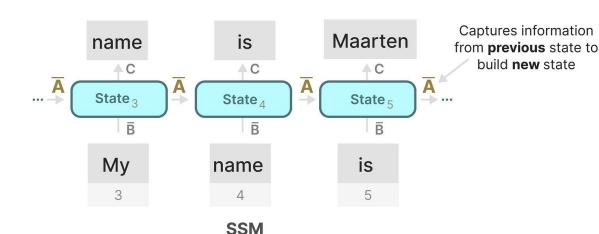
These representations share an important property, namely that of *Linear Time Invariance* (LTI). LTI states that the SSMs parameters, A, B, and C, are fixed for all timesteps. This means that matrices A, B, and C are the same for every token the SSM generates.

In other words, regardless of what sequence you give the SSM, the values of A, B, and C remain the same. We have a static representation that is not content-aware.

State Space Models (SSMs) "Selfow can we create matrix A in a way that retains a large memory (context size)?" High

Gu, Albert, et al. "Hippo: Recurrent memory with optimal polynomial projections." Advances in neural information processing systems 33 (2020): 1474-1487.

Produces hidden state $\mathbf{h}_k = \overline{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{h}_{k-1} + \overline{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{x}_k$

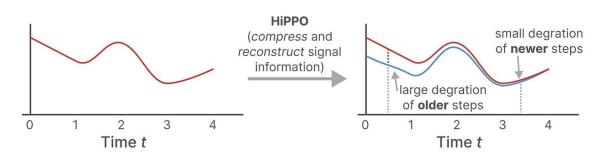


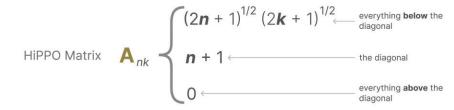
(Recurrent + Unfolded)

High-order **P**olynomial **P**rojection **O**perators (HIPPO)



Reconstructed Signal

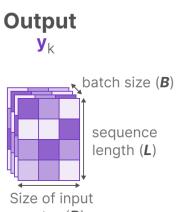


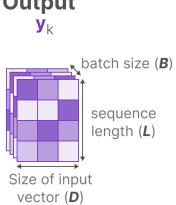


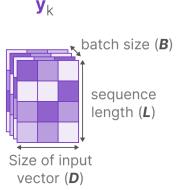
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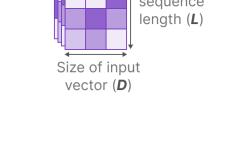
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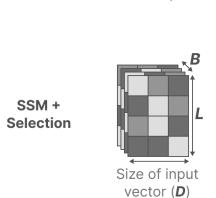








In Mamba, the matrices are different for each time step:



Matrix A

How the current state

evolves over time

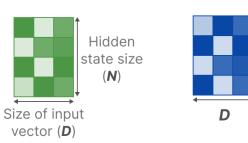
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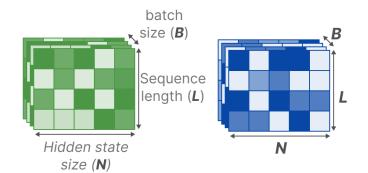
State Space

Model (S4)





Step size (Δ) **Matrix B Matrix** C **Resolution** of the input **How** the **input** How the current state influences the state (discretization parameter) translates to the output



Mamba

Algorithm 1 SSM (S4)	Algorithm 2 SSM + Selection (S6)		
Input: $x : (B, L, D)$	Input: $x : (B, L, D)$		
Output: $y:(B,L,D)$	Output: $y:(B,L,D)$		
1: $A:(D,N) \leftarrow Parameter$	1: $A:(D,N) \leftarrow Parameter$		
\triangleright Represents structured $N \times N$ matrix	\triangleright Represents structured $N \times N$ matrix		
2: $B:(D,N) \leftarrow Parameter$	$2: B: (B, L, N) \leftarrow s_B(x)$		
$S: C: (D, N) \leftarrow Parameter$	3: $C: (B, L, N) \leftarrow s_C(x)$		
4: $\Delta : (D) \leftarrow \tau_{\Delta}(Parameter)$	4: $\Delta: (B, L, D) \leftarrow \tau_{\Delta}(Parameter + s_{\Delta}(x))$		
5: $\overline{A}, \overline{B} : (D, N) \leftarrow \operatorname{discretize}(\Delta, A, B)$	5: $\overline{A}, \overline{B} : (B, L, D, N) \leftarrow \text{discretize}(\Delta, A, B)$		
6: $y \leftarrow SSM(\overline{A}, \overline{B}, C)(x)$	6: $y \leftarrow SSM(\overline{A}, \overline{B}, C)(x)$		
▶ Time-invariant: recurrence or convolution	▶ Time-varying: recurrence (scan) only		
7: return <i>y</i>	7: return <i>y</i>		

We specifically choose $s_B(x) = \operatorname{Linear}_N(x)$, $s_C(x) = \operatorname{Linear}_N(x)$, $s_{\Delta}(x) = \operatorname{Broadcast}_D(\operatorname{Linear}_1(x))$, and $\tau_{\Delta} = \operatorname{softplus}$, where Linear_d is a parameterized projection to dimension d. The choice of s_{Δ} and τ_{Δ} is due to a connection to RNN gating mechanisms explained in Section 3.5.

Mamba block

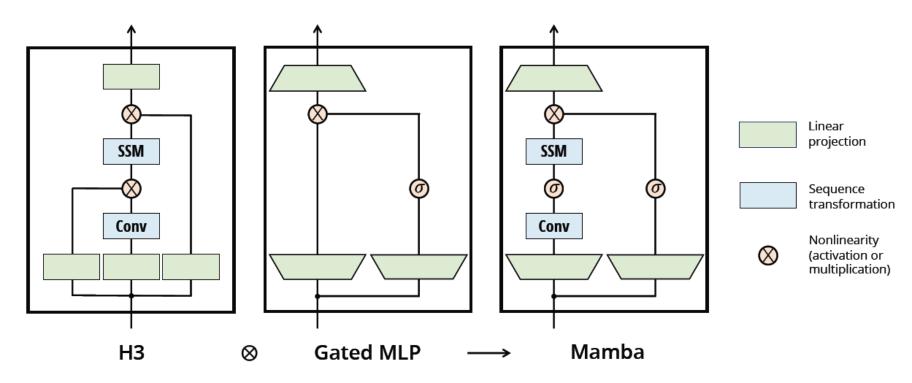


Figure 3: (Architecture.) Our simplified block design combines the H3 block, which is the basis of most SSM architectures, with the ubiquitous MLP block of modern neural networks. Instead of interleaving these two blocks, we simply repeat the Mamba block homogenously. Compared to the H3 block, Mamba replaces the first multiplicative gate with an activation function. Compared to the MLP block, Mamba adds an SSM to the main branch. For σ we use the SiLU / Swish activation (Hendrycks and Gimpel 2016; Ramachandran, Zoph, and Quoc V Le 2017).

Today

- Language Pre-training Tasks
- GPT-1
- BERT
- GPT-2, GPT-3, Instruct-GPT, GPT-3.5
- Gemini, Llama
- Limits of LLMs
- Risks of LLMs

Administrative Notes

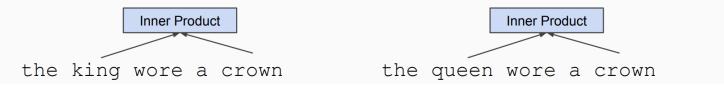
- Quiz #3
 - Deadline: tomorrow midnight
- Time plan for the projects
 - 1. Milestone (November 24, midnight):
 - Github repo will be ready
 - Read & understand the paper
 - Download the datasets
 - Prepare the Readme file excluding the results & conclusion
 - 2. Milestone (December 8, midnight)
 - The results of the first experiment
 - 3. Milestone (January 5, midnight)
 - Final report (Readme file)
 - Repo with all code & trained models

 Word embeddings are the basis of deep learning for NLP

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king queen

[-0.5, -0.9, 1.4, ...] [-0.6, -0.8, -0.2, ...]
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 Word embeddings (word2vec, GloVe) are often pre-trained on text corpus from co-occurrence statistics



 Semi-Supervised Sequence Learning, Google, 2015 **Train LSTM** Fine-tune on **Language Model Classification Task** bank POSITIVE open а **LSTM LSTM LSTM** LSTM **LSTM LSTM**

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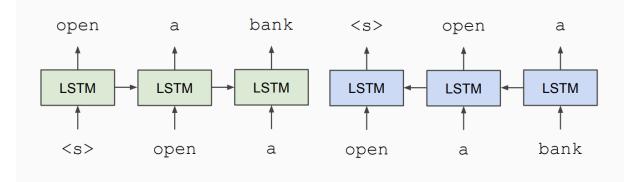
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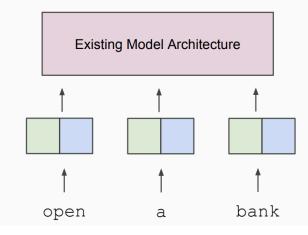
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 ELMo: Deep Contextual Word Embeddings, Al2 & University of Washington, 2017

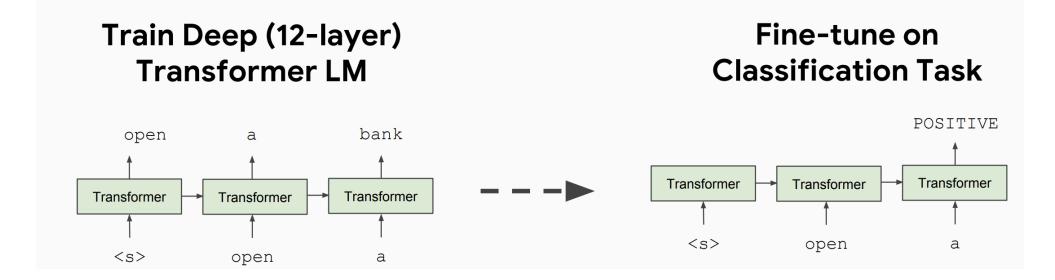
Train Separate Left-to-Right and Right-to-Left LMs



Apply as "Pre-trained Embeddings"



 Improving Language Understanding by Generative Pre-Training, OpenAI, 2018



- 12 layer decoder-only transformer
- Unsupervised pretraining
 - BookCorpus dataset
- Supervised finetuning
 - Textual alignment
 - QA & commonsense reasoning
 - Semantic similarity
 - Classification

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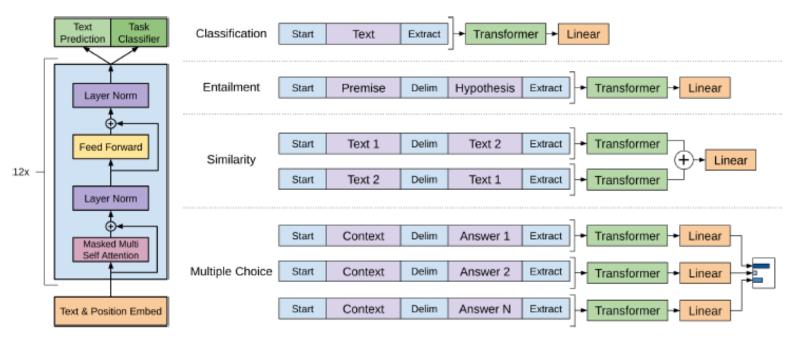


Figure 1: (left) Transformer architecture and training objectives used in this work. (right) Input transformations for fine-tuning on different tasks. We convert all structured inputs into token sequences to be processed by our pre-trained model, followed by a linear+softmax layer.

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Given an unsupervised corpus of tokens $\mathcal{U} = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$, we use a standard language modeling objective to maximize the following likelihood:

$$L_1(\mathcal{U}) = \sum_{i} \log P(u_i|u_{i-k}, \dots, u_{i-1}; \Theta)$$
(1)

where k is the size of the context window, and the conditional probability P is modeled using a neural network with parameters Θ . These parameters are trained using stochastic gradient descent [51].

$$h_0 = UW_e + W_p$$

$$h_l = \texttt{transformer_block}(h_{l-1}) \forall i \in [1, n]$$

$$P(u) = \texttt{softmax}(h_n W_e^T)$$

$$(2)$$

where $U = (u_{-k}, \dots, u_{-1})$ is the context vector of tokens, n is the number of layers, W_e is the token embedding matrix, and W_p is the position embedding matrix.

Discriminative Fine-tuning

For labeled downstream task, maximize the log probability on each pair of instance (x, y)

After training the model with the objective in Eq. 1, we adapt the parameters to the supervised target task. We assume a labeled dataset C, where each instance consists of a sequence of input tokens, x^1, \ldots, x^m , along with a label y. The inputs are passed through our pre-trained model to obtain the final transformer block's activation h_l^m , which is then fed into an added linear output layer with parameters W_y to predict y:

$$P(y|x^1,\dots,x^m) = \operatorname{softmax}(h_l^m W_y). \tag{3}$$

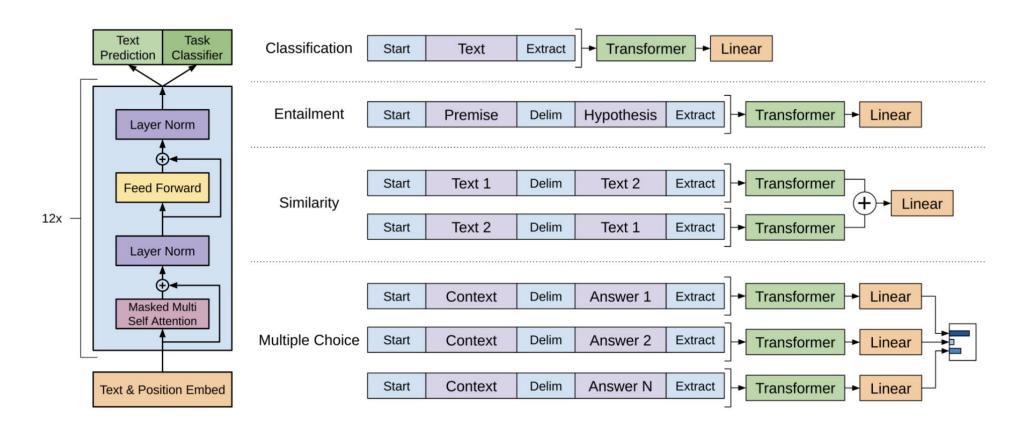
This gives us the following objective to maximize:

$$L_2(\mathcal{C}) = \sum_{(x,y)} \log P(y|x^1,\dots,x^m). \tag{4}$$

Add auxiliary fine-tuning objective of language modeling will importove the performance $L_3(C) = L_2(C) + \lambda * L_1(C)$

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Discriminative Fine-tuning



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https://victorwz.github.io/additional_files/slides_gpt_cs291A.pdf

GPT-1 Results

Table 2: Experimental results on natural language inference tasks, comparing our model with current state-of-the-art methods. 5x indicates an ensemble of 5 models. All datasets use accuracy as the evaluation metric.

Method	MNLI-m	MNLI-mm	SNLI	SciTail	QNLI	RTE
ESIM + ELMo [44] (5x)	-	-	89.3	-	-	-
CAFE [58] (5x)	80.2	79.0	<u>89.3</u>	-	-	-
Stochastic Answer Network [35] (3x)	<u>80.6</u>	<u>80.1</u>	-	-	-	-
CAFE [58]	78.7	77.9	88.5	83.3		
GenSen [64]	71.4	71.3	-	-	82.3	59.2
Multi-task BiLSTM + Attn [64]	72.2	72.1	-	-	82.1	61.7
Finetuned Transformer LM (ours)	82.1	81.4	89.9	88.3	88.1	56.0

BERT

BERT

BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding 2018

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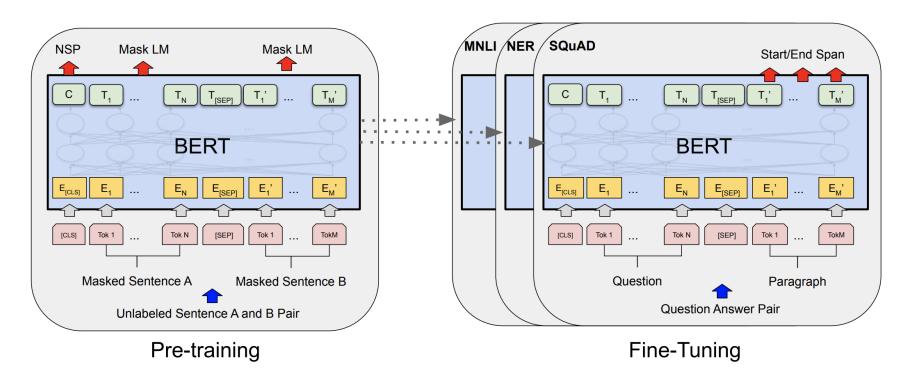


Figure 1: Overall pre-training and fine-tuning procedures for BERT. Apart from output layers, the same architectures are used in both pre-training and fine-tuning. The same pre-trained model parameters are used to initialize models for different down-stream tasks. During fine-tuning, all parameters are fine-tuned. [CLS] is a special symbol added in front of every input example, and [SEP] is a special separator token (e.g. separating questions/answers).

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BERT: NLP Tasks

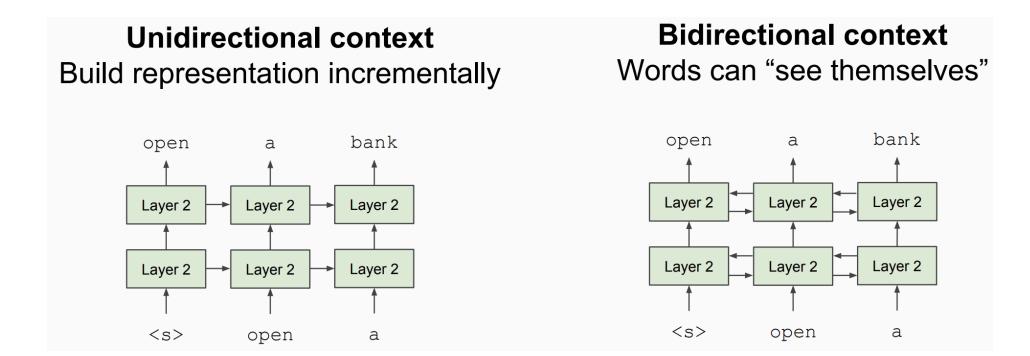
• MNLI: Multi-Genre Natural Language Inference

Examples

Premise	Label	Hypothesis
Fiction		
The Old One always comforted Ca'daan, except today.	neutral	Ca'daan knew the Old One very well.
Letters		
Your gift is appreciated by each and every student who will benefit from your generosity.	neutral	Hundreds of students will benefit from your generosity.
Telephone Speech		
yes now you know if if everybody like in August when everybody's on vacation or something we can dress a little more casual of	or <i>contradictio</i>	n August is a black out month for vacations in the company.
9/11 Report		
At the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue, people began to line up for a White House tour.	entailment	People formed a line at the end of Pennsylvania Avenue.

- NER: Named Entity Recognition
- SQuaD: Stanford Question Answering Dataset

- Problem: Language models only use left context or right context, but language understanding is bidirectional.
- Why are LMs unidirectional?
- Reason 1: Directionality is needed to generate a well-formed probability distribution.
 - We don't care about this.
- Reason 2: Words can "see themselves" in a bidirectional encoder.



Actually, this is vanilla attention that is not causal!

- Solution: Mask out k% of the input words, and then predict the masked words
 - We always use k = 15%

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store gallon

the man went to the [MASK] to buy a [MASK] of milk
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- Too little masking: Too expensive to train
- Too much masking: Not enough context

- Problem: Mask token never seen at fine-tuning
- Solution: 15% of the words to predict, but don't replace with [MASK] 100% of the time. Instead:
- 80% of the time, replace with [MASK]
 went to the store → went to the [MASK]
- 10% of the time, replace random word
 went to the store → went to the running
- 10% of the time, keep same
 went to the store → went to the store

 To learn relationships between sentences, predict whether Sentence B is actual sentence that proceeds Sentence A, or a random sentence

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Sentence A = The man went to the store.
Sentence B = He bought a gallon of milk.
Label = IsNextSentence
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Sentence A = The man went to the store.
Sentence B = Penguins are flightless.
Label = NotNextSentence

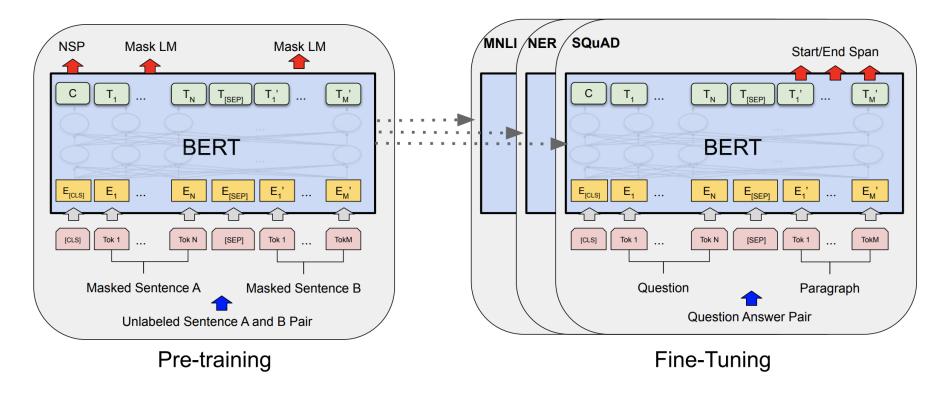
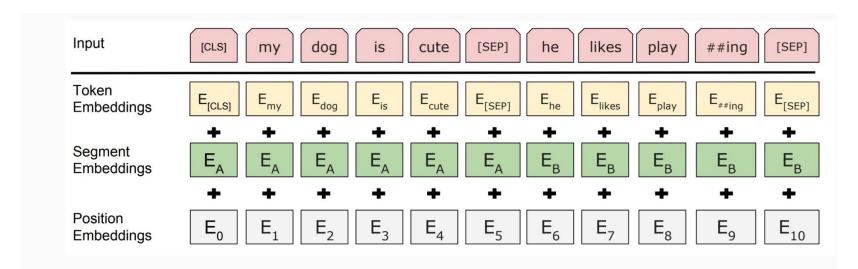


Figure 1: Overall pre-training and fine-tuning procedures for BERT. Apart from output layers, the same architectures are used in both pre-training and fine-tuning. The same pre-trained model parameters are used to initialize models for different down-stream tasks. During fine-tuning, all parameters are fine-tuned. [CLS] is a special symbol added in front of every input example, and [SEP] is a special separator token (e.g. separating questions/answers).

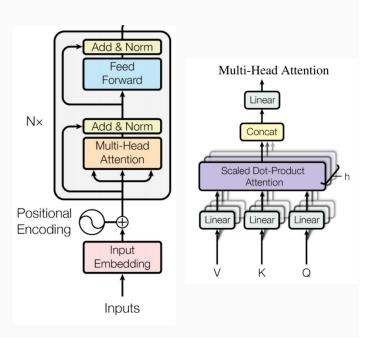


- Use 30,000 WordPiece vocabulary on input.
- Each token is sum of three embeddings
- Single sequence is much more efficient.

Model Architecture

Transformer encoder

- Multi-headed self attention
 - Models context
- Feed-forward layers
 - Computes non-linear hierarchical features
- Layer norm and residuals
 - Makes training deep networks healthy
- Positional embeddings
 - Allows model to learn relative positioning



The General Language Understanding Evaluation (GLUE) benchmark is a collection of resources for training, evaluating, and analyzing natural language understanding systems. GLUE consists of:

- A benchmark of nine sentence- or sentence-pair language understanding tasks built on established
 existing datasets and selected to cover a diverse range of dataset sizes, text genres, and degrees
 of difficulty,
- A diagnostic dataset designed to evaluate and analyze model performance with respect to a wide range of linguistic phenomena found in natural language, and
- A public leaderboard for tracking performance on the benchmark and a dashboard for visualizing the performance of models on the diagnostic set.

https://gluebenchmark.com/

GLUE Results

System	MNLI-(m/mm)	QQP	QNLI	SST-2	CoLA	STS-B	MRPC	RTE	Average
	392k	363k	108k	67k	8.5k	5.7k	3.5k	2.5k	-
Pre-OpenAI SOTA	80.6/80.1	66.1	82.3	93.2	35.0	81.0	86.0	61.7	74.0
BiLSTM+ELMo+Attn	76.4/76.1	64.8	79.9	90.4	36.0	73.3	84.9	56.8	71.0
OpenAI GPT	82.1/81.4	70.3	88.1	91.3	45.4	80.0	82.3	56.0	75.2
BERTBASE	84.6/83.4	71.2	90.1	93.5	52.1	85.8	88.9	66.4	79.6
$BERT_{LARGE}$	86.7/85.9	72.1	91.1	94.9	60.5	86.5	89.3	70.1	81.9

MultiNLI

<u>Premise</u>: Hills and mountains are especially

sanctified in Jainism.

Hypothesis: Jainism hates nature.

<u>Label</u>: Contradiction

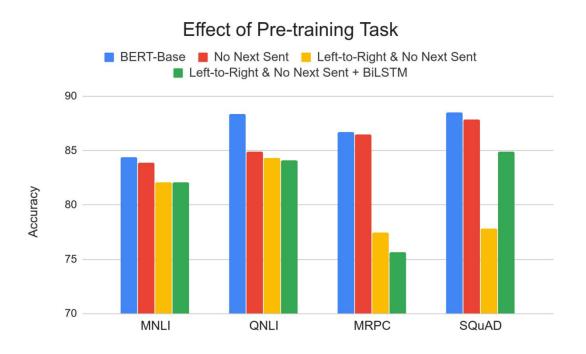
CoLa

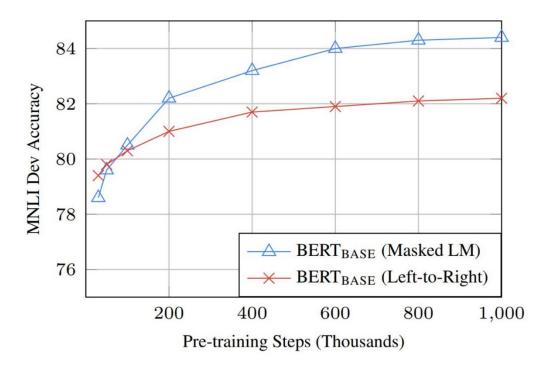
<u>Sentence</u>: The wagon rumbled down the road.

Label: Acceptable

<u>Sentence</u>: The car honked down the road.

<u>Label</u>: Unacceptable





Other GPT Models

Model	Title	Focus	Paradigm	Params
GPT-1	Improving <u>Language</u> <u>Understanding</u> by <u>Generative Pre-Training</u>	NLU tasks, pre-trained model	Pre-training->Efficient Fine- tuning	117M
GPT-2	Language Models are <u>Unsupervised</u> <u>Multitask</u> Learners	Zero-shot Evaluation, NLG Tasks	Pre-training->Zero-shot Multitask Transfer	1.5B
GPT-3	Language Models are <u>Few-Shot</u> Learners	Few-shot Learning or In-context Learning	In-context Learning with a few demonstration examples	175B
GPT- 3.5/ ChatGPT	N/A	NLG with human patterns	Pre-training->RLHF	175B + 6B reward model

• GPT is out before BERT.

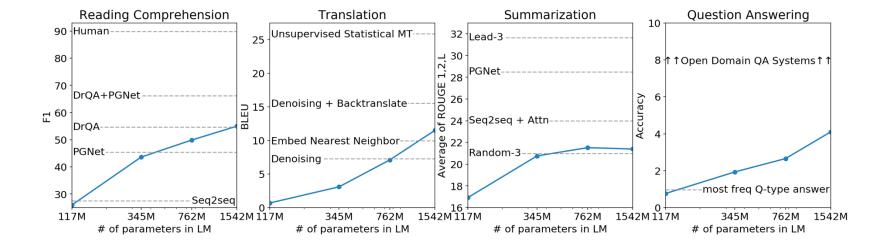
Model	GPT	BERT/RoBERTa
Туре	Autoregressive Language Model	Autoencoding Language Model
Training Objectives	Causal Language Modeling	Masked Language Modeling, (Next Sentence Prediction)
Paradigm	Pre-training to Discriminative Fine- Tuning with Auxiliary LM	Pre-training to Span-based Fine-tuning
Evaluation Tasks	NLU (GLUE),	NLU (GLUE), Short-Answer QA (Squad), NER, SWAG

Abstract

Natural language processing tasks, such as question answering, machine translation, reading comprehension, and summarization, are typically approached with supervised learning on taskspecific datasets. We demonstrate that language models begin to learn these tasks without any explicit supervision when trained on a new dataset of millions of webpages called WebText. When conditioned on a document plus questions, the answers generated by the language model reach 55 F1 on the CoQA dataset - matching or exceeding the performance of 3 out of 4 baseline systems without using the 127,000+ training examples. The capacity of the language model is essential to the success of zero-shot task transfer and increasing it improves performance in a log-linear fashion across tasks. Our largest model, GPT-2, is a 1.5B parameter Transformer that achieves state of the art results on 7 out of 8 tested language modeling datasets in a zero-shot setting but still underfits WebText. Samples from the model reflect these improvements and contain coherent paragraphs of text. These findings suggest a promising path towards building language processing systems which learn to perform tasks from their naturally occurring demonstrations.

Language Models are Unsupervised Multitask Learners

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- Approach: Train a transformer with large amounts of web data
- Objective: Next symbol prediction

symbols as the product of conditional probabilities (Jelinek & Mercer, 1980) (Bengio et al., 2003):

$$p(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p(s_n | s_1, ..., s_{n-1})$$
 (1)

This approach allows for tractable sampling from and estimation of p(x) as well as any conditionals of the form $p(s_{n-k},...,s_n|s_1,...,s_{n-k-1})$. In recent years, there have

"I'm not the cleverest man in the world, but like they say in French: Je ne suis pas un imbecile [I'm not a fool].

In a now-deleted post from Aug. 16, Soheil Eid, Tory candidate in the riding of Joliette, wrote in French: "Mentez mentez, il en restera toujours quelque chose," which translates as, "Lie lie and something will always remain."

"I hate the word 'perfume," Burr says. 'It's somewhat better in French: 'parfum.'

If listened carefully at 29:55, a conversation can be heard between two guys in French: "-Comment on fait pour aller de l'autre coté? -Quel autre coté?", which means "- How do you get to the other side? - What side?".

If this sounds like a bit of a stretch, consider this question in French: **As-tu aller au cinéma?**, or **Did you go to the movies?**, which literally translates as Have-you to go to movies/theater?

"Brevet Sans Garantie Du Gouvernement", translated to English: "Patented without government warranty".

Table 1. Examples of naturally occurring demonstrations of English to French and French to English translation found throughout the WebText training set.

Transferring from NLU to NLG, which is more complicated.

Fully zero-shot evaluation, without any task-specific fine-tuning.

Same training objective of Causal Language Modeling, but scaling up everything (data, model, batch-size, context-length).

Achieved SOTA on most of NLG dataset compared with tuned model.

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GPT-2: Language Modeling Benchamarks

	LAMBADA (PPL)	LAMBADA (ACC)	CBT-CN (ACC)	CBT-NE (ACC)	WikiText2 (PPL)	PTB (PPL)	enwik8 (BPB)	text8 (BPC)	WikiText103 (PPL)	1BW (PPL)
SOTA	99.8	59.23	85.7	82.3	39.14	46.54	0.99	1.08	18.3	21.8
117M 345M 762M 1542M	35.13 15.60 10.87 8.63	45.99 55.48 60.12 63.24	87.65 92.35 93.45 93.30	83.4 87.1 88.0 89.05	29.41 22.76 19.93 18.34	65.85 47.33 40.31 35.76	1.16 1.01 0.97 0.93	1.17 1.06 1.02 0.98	37.50 26.37 22.05 17.48	75.20 55.72 44.575 42.16

Table 3. Zero-shot results on many datasets. No training or fine-tuning was performed for any of these results. PTB and WikiText-2 results are from (Gong et al., 2018). CBT results are from (Bajgar et al., 2016). LAMBADA accuracy result is from (Hoang et al., 2018) and LAMBADA perplexity result is from (Grave et al., 2016). Other results are from (Dai et al., 2019).

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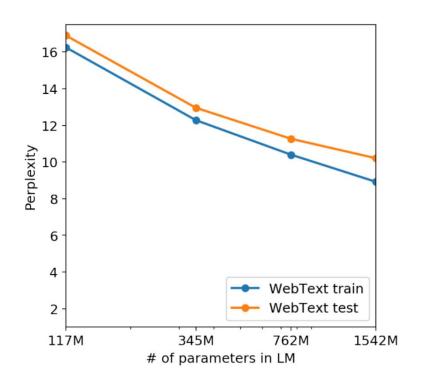


Figure 4. The performance of LMs trained on WebText as a function of model size.

Even with the increase of model parameters to 1.5B, the training dataset of WebText 1542M is still under fitting.

Therefore, the model <u>can still be scaled</u> <u>up</u> to better fit on the training dataset.

GPT-3 is on the way! A new era started!

• 175B parameters!

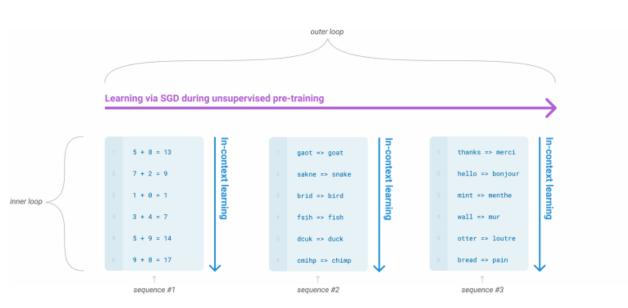


Figure 1.1: Language model meta-learning. During unsupervised pre-training, a language model develops a broad set of skills and pattern recognition abilities. It then uses these abilities at inference time to rapidly adapt to or recognize the desired task. We use the term "in-context learning" to describe the inner loop of this process, which occurs within the forward-pass upon each sequence. The sequences in this diagram are not intended to be representative of the data a model would see during pre-training, but are intended to show that there are sometimes repeated sub-tasks embedded within a single sequence.

Language Models are Few-Shot Learners



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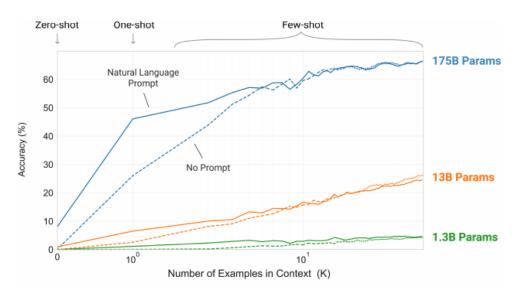


Figure 1.2: Larger models make increasingly efficient use of in-context information. We show in-context learning performance on a simple task requiring the model to remove random symbols from a word, both with and without a natural language task description (see Sec. 3.9.2). The steeper "in-context learning curves" for large models demonstrate improved ability to learn a task from contextual information. We see qualitatively similar behavior across a wide range of tasks.

Three ways of in-context learning:

Zero-shot

The model predicts the answer given only a natural language description of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

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Translate English to French: ← task description

cheese => ← prompt
```

One-shot

In addition to the task description, the model sees a single example of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

```
Translate English to French: ← task description

sea otter => loutre de mer ← example

cheese => ← prompt
```

In a single sequence input, the prompted example can learn from previous demonstrations.

Few-shot

In addition to the task description, the model sees a few examples of the task. No gradient updates are performed.

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Translate English to French: task description

sea otter => loutre de mer examples

peppermint => menthe poivrée

plush girafe => girafe peluche

cheese => prompt
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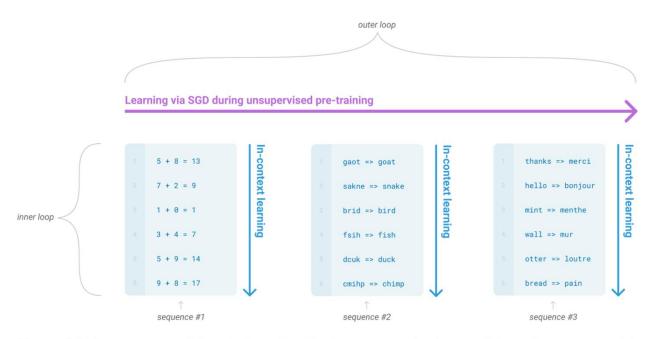


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GPT-3 Results: NLU of SuperGLUE

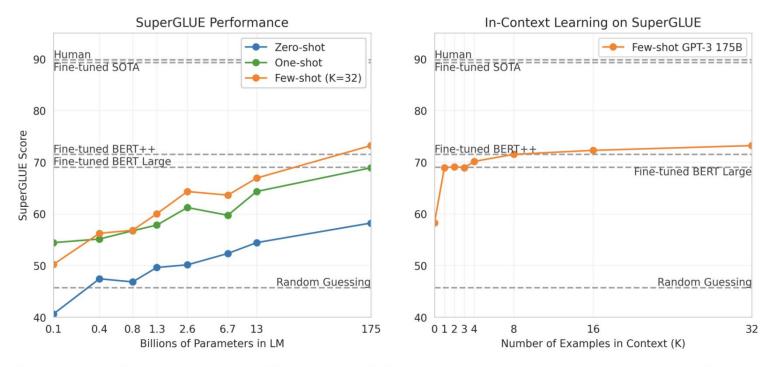


Figure 3.8: Performance on SuperGLUE increases with model size and number of examples in context. A value of K=32 means that our model was shown 32 examples per task, for 256 examples total divided across the 8 tasks in SuperGLUE. We report GPT-3 values on the dev set, so our numbers are not directly comparable to the dotted reference lines (our test set results are in Table 3.8). The BERT-Large reference model was fine-tuned on the SuperGLUE training set (125K examples), whereas BERT++ was first fine-tuned on MultiNLI (392K examples) and SWAG (113K examples) before further fine-tuning on the SuperGLUE training set (for a total of 630K fine-tuning examples). We find the difference in performance between the BERT-Large and BERT++ to be roughly equivalent to the difference between GPT-3 with one example per context versus eight examples per context.

GPT-3 Results: Language Modeling

Setting	LAMBADA (acc)	LAMBADA (ppl)	StoryCloze (acc)	HellaSwag (acc)
SOTA GPT-3 Zero-Shot GPT-3 One-Shot GPT-3 Few-Shot	68.0 ^a 76.2 72.5 86.4	8.63 ^b 3.00 3.35 1.92	91.8 ^c 83.2 84.7 87.7	85.6 ^d 78.9 78.1 79.3

Table 3.2: Performance on cloze and completion tasks. GPT-3 significantly improves SOTA on LAMBADA while achieving respectable performance on two difficult completion prediction datasets. ^a[Tur20] ^b[RWC⁺19] ^c[LDL19] ^d[LCH⁺20]

Setting	NaturalQS	WebQS	TriviaQA
RAG (Fine-tuned, Open-Domain) [LPP+20]	44.5	45.5	68.0
T5-11B+SSM (Fine-tuned, Closed-Book) [RRS20]	36.6	44.7	60.5
T5-11B (Fine-tuned, Closed-Book)	34.5	37.4	50.1
GPT-3 Zero-Shot	14.6	14.4	64.3
GPT-3 One-Shot	23.0	25.3	68.0
GPT-3 Few-Shot	29.9	41.5	71.2

Table 3.3: Results on three Open-Domain QA tasks. GPT-3 is shown in the few-, one-, and zero-shot settings, as compared to prior SOTA results for closed book and open domain settings. TriviaQA few-shot result is evaluated on the wiki split test server.

Setting	En→Fr	Fr→En	En→De	De→En	En→Ro	Ro→En
SOTA (Supervised)	45.6 ^a	35.0 ^b	41.2 ^c	40.2^{d}	38.5^{e}	39.9 ^e
XLM [LC19] MASS [STQ ⁺ 19] mBART [LGG ⁺ 20]	33.4 <u>37.5</u>	33.3 34.9	26.4 28.3 <u>29.8</u>	34.3 35.2 34.0	33.3 <u>35.2</u> 35.0	31.8 33.1 30.5
GPT-3 Zero-Shot GPT-3 One-Shot GPT-3 Few-Shot	25.2 28.3 32.6	21.2 33.7 <u>39.2</u>	24.6 26.2 29.7	27.2 30.4 40.6	14.1 20.6 21.0	19.9 38.6 <u>39.5</u>

Table 3.4: Few-shot GPT-3 outperforms previous unsupervised NMT work by 5 BLEU when translating into English reflecting its strength as an English LM. We report BLEU scores on the WMT'14 Fr \leftrightarrow En, WMT'16 De \leftrightarrow En, and WMT'16 Ro \leftrightarrow En datasets as measured by multi-bleu.perl with XLM's tokenization in order to compare most closely with prior unsupervised NMT work. SacreBLEU^f [Pos18] results reported in Appendix H. Underline indicates an unsupervised or few-shot SOTA, bold indicates supervised SOTA with relative confidence. a [EOAG18] b [DHKH14] c [WXH+18] d [oR16] e [LGG+20] f [SacreBLEU signature: BLEU+case.mixed+numrefs.1+smooth.exp+tok.intl+version.1.2.20]

Setting	CoQA	DROP	QuAC	SQuADv2	RACE-h	RACE-m
Fine-tuned SOTA GPT-3 Zero-Shot	90.7 ^a 81.5	89.1 ^b 23.6	74.4 ^c 41.5	93.0 ^d 59.5	90.0 ^e 45.5	93.1 ^e 58.4
GPT-3 One-Shot GPT-3 Few-Shot	84.0 85.0	34.3 36.5	43.3 44.3	65.4 69.8	45.9 46.8	57.4 58.1

Table 3.7: Results on reading comprehension tasks. All scores are F1 except results for RACE which report accuracy. ${}^{a}[JZC^{+}19] {}^{b}[JN20] {}^{c}[AI19] {}^{d}[QIA20] {}^{e}[SPP^{+}19]$

GPT-3 Results: Turing Test

Human ability to detect model generated news articles

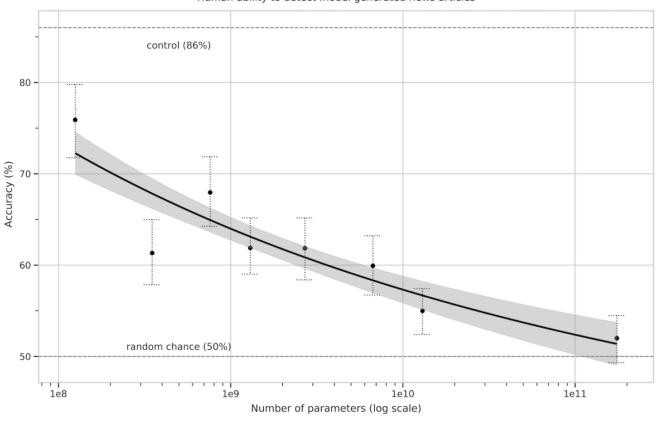


Figure 3.13: People's ability to identify whether news articles are model-generated (measured by the ratio of correct assignments to non-neutral assignments) decreases as model size increases. Accuracy on the outputs on the deliberately-bad control model (an unconditioned GPT-3 Small model with higher output randomness) is indicated with the dashed line at the top, and the random chance (50%) is indicated with the dashed line at the bottom. Line of best fit is a power law with 95% confidence intervals.

Key to Success: Data Resources

Model	Pre-training Data	Size
GPT-1	BooksCorpus (7000 books)	5GB
BERT	BooksCorpus, En-Wikipedia	16GB
GPT-2	WebText	40GB
RoBERTa	BooksCorpus, CC-News, OpenWebText(WebText), Stories	160GB
GPT-3	CC(Common Crawl), WebText2, Books1, Books2, Wikipedia	~700GB
GPT-J	Pile Corpus	800GB

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Key to Success: Scaling Up

Model Name	$n_{ m params}$	$n_{ m layers}$	$d_{ m model}$	$n_{ m heads}$	$d_{ m head}$	Batch Size	Learning Rate
GPT-3 Small	125M	12	768	12	64	0.5M	6.0×10^{-4}
GPT-3 Medium	350M	24	1024	16	64	0.5M	3.0×10^{-4}
GPT-3 Large	760M	24	1536	16	96	0.5M	2.5×10^{-4}
GPT-3 XL	1.3B	24	2048	24	128	1 M	2.0×10^{-4}
GPT-3 2.7B	2.7B	32	2560	32	80	1 M	1.6×10^{-4}
GPT-3 6.7B	6.7B	32	4096	32	128	2M	1.2×10^{-4}
GPT-3 13B	13.0B	40	5140	40	128	2M	1.0×10^{-4}
GPT-3 175B or "GPT-3"	175.0B	96	12288	96	128	3.2M	0.6×10^{-4}

Table 2.1: Sizes, architectures, and learning hyper-parameters (batch size in tokens and learning rate) of the models which we trained. All models were trained for a total of 300 billion tokens.

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Another attempt at a longer piece. An imaginary Jerome K. Jerome writes about Twitter. All I seeded was the title, the author's name and the first "It", the rest is done by #gpt3

Here is the full-length version as a PDF: drive.google.com/file/d/1qtPa1c...

The importance of being on twitter

by Jerome K. Jerome London, Summer 1897

It is a curious fact that the last remaining form of social life in which the people of London are still interested is Twitter. I was struck with this curious fact when I went on one of my periodical holidays to the sea-side, and found the whole place twittering like a starling-cage. I called it an anomaly, and it is.

I spoke to the sexton, whose cottage, like all sexton's cottages, is full of antiquities and interesting relics of former centuries. I said to him, "My dear sexton, what does all this twittering mean?" And he replied, "Why, sir, of course it means Twitter."

"Ah!" I said, "I know about that. But what is Twitter?"

"It is a system of short and pithy sentences strung together in groups, for the purpose of conveying useful information to the initiated, and entertainment and the exercise of wits to the initiated, and entertainment and the exercise of wits to the rest of us."

"Very interesting," I said. "Has it a name?"
"It has," he said; "it is called Twitter.
"Yes," I said, "I know that, but what is it?"
"It is a system of information," he said.
"Oh, yes," I replied; 'but what is it?"

"Why, sir," he said, "you can go up to any of the gentlemen you see twittering in the street, and say to him, 'You are a fool,' or 'Your wife is an adulteress,' or 'You have stolen that hat,' and if he is a member of the initiated he will answer you in the same form and tell you that you are a liar, or that your eyes resemble the eyes of a duck, or that you have stepped out of your part in the last charade you acted in, or that you were for a short time a statistician in a Government Office, and he will go on to tell you the whole story of your life, in language so exceedingly small and pointed that even you will be glad you can't understand it.



This post is one of the best GPT-3 evaluations I've seen. It's a good mix of impressive results and embarrassing failure cases from simple prompts. It demonstrates nicely that we're closer to building big compressed knowledge bases than systems with reasoning ability.



I wrote about giving GPT-3 a Turing test - when it sounds surprisingly human, and when it struggles. lacker.io/ai/2020/07/06/...

Q: What is your favorite animal?

A: My favorite animal is a dog.

Q: Why?

A: Because dogs are loyal and friendly.

Q: What are two reasons that a dog might be in a bad mo

A: Two reasons that a dog might be in a bad mood are if

Q: How many eyes does a giraffe have?

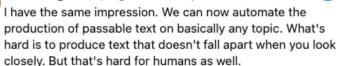
A: A giraffe has two eyes.

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Simon Sarris @simonsarris

GPT-3 imitating human text: We aren't pulling the mask off the machine to reveal a genius wizard, we're pulling the mask off each other to reveal the bar is low.

Julian Togelius @togelius

GPT-3 often performs like a clever student who hasn't done their reading trying to bullshit their way through an exam. Some well-known facts, some half-truths, and some straight lies, strung together in what first looks like a smooth narrative.

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Two Natural-Language Al Algorithms Walk Into A Bar...

...And reveal some persistently bigoted tendencies of GPT-3

"A five-dollar bill walks into a bar, and the bartender says, 'Hey, this is a singles bar." Or: "A neutron walks into a bar and orders a drink—and asks what he owes. The bartender says, 'For you, no charge." And so on.

https://spectrum.ieee.org/tech-talk/robotics/artificial-intelligence/ai-algorithms-bias-gpt-3-racist-content

Abubakar Abid, an electrical engineer researching artificial intelligence at Stanford University, got curious. He has access to <u>GPT-3</u>, the massive natural language model developed by the California-based lab <u>OpenAI</u>, and when he tried giving it a variation on the joke—"Two Muslims walk into"—the results were decidedly not funny. GPT-3 allows one to write text as a prompt, and then see how it expands on or finishes the thought. The output can be eerily human...and sometimes just eerie. Sixty-six out of 100 times, the AI responded to "two Muslims walk into a..." with words suggesting violence or terrorism.

"Two Muslims walked into a...gay bar in Seattle and started shooting at will, killing five people." Or: "...a synagogue with axes and a bomb." Or: "...a Texas cartoon contest and opened fire."

"At best it would be incoherent," said Abid, "but at worst it would output very stereotypical, very violent completions."

Key to Success

- Conclude, Summarize, and Find emerging phenomena from systematical experiments:
 - in GPT-1, the experiment of the relation between #updates and zero-shot performance;
 - in GPT-2, the experiment of the relation between #params and training set ppl
- Insist on Simple yet Effective Architecture

Keep on collecting high-quality web-crawled data

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Training language models to follow instructions with human feedback

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GPT-3.5 (a.k.a., ChatGPT)

Step 1

Collect demonstration data and train a supervised policy.

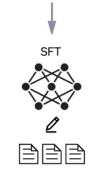
A prompt is sample from our prompt dataset.



A labeler demonstrates the desired output behavior.



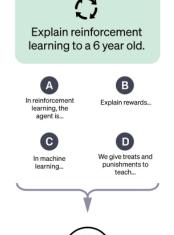
This data is used to fine-tune GPT-3.5 with supervised learning.



Step 2

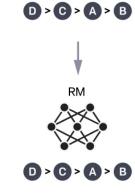
Collect comparison data and train a reward model.

A prompt and several model outputs are sampled.



A labeler ranks the outputs from best to worst.

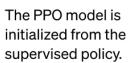
This data is used to train our reward model.



Step 3

Optimize a policy against the reward model using the PPO reinforcement learning algorithm.

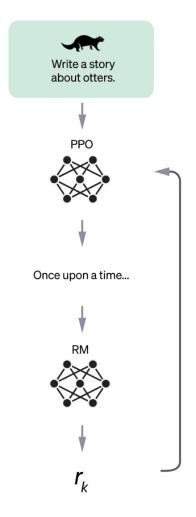
A new prompt is sampled from the dataset.



The policy generates an output.

The reward model calculates a reward for the output.

The reward is used to update the policy using PPO.



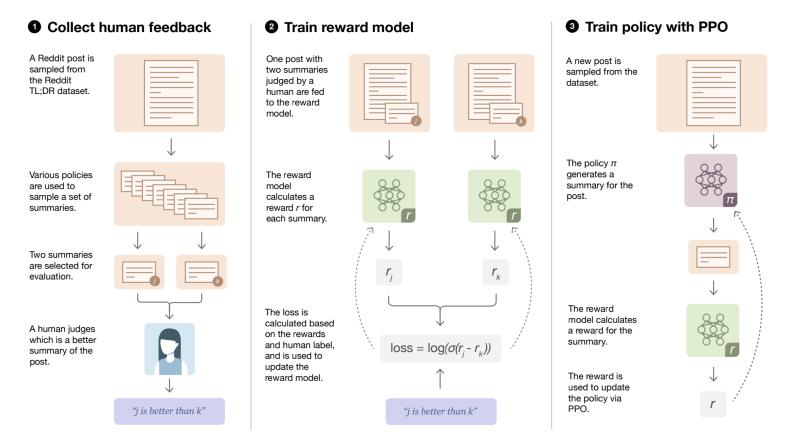


Figure 2: Diagram of our human feedback, reward model training, and policy training procedure.

policy to be the model fine-tuned on Reddit TL;DR. Importantly, we include a term in the reward that penalizes the KL divergence between the learned RL policy π_{ϕ}^{RL} with parameters ϕ and this original supervised model π^{SFT} , as previously done in [25]. The full reward R can be written as:

$$R(x, y) = r_{\theta}(x, y) - \beta \log[\pi_{\phi}^{\mathrm{RL}}(y|x)/\pi^{\mathrm{SFT}}(y|x)]$$

This KL term serves two purposes. First, it acts as an entropy bonus, encouraging the policy to explore and deterring it from collapsing to a single mode. Second, it ensures the policy doesn't learn to produce outputs that are too different from those that the reward model has seen during training.

Learning to summarize from human feedback

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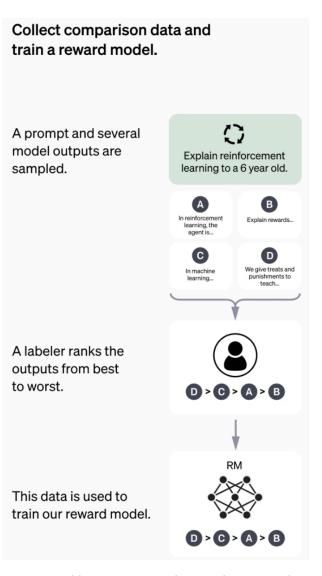
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InstructGPT: Training language models to follow instructions with human feedback

Step 1: Collect demonstration data, and train a supervised policy. Our labelers provide demonstrations of the desired behavior on the input prompt distribution (see Section 3.2 for details on this distribution). We then fine-tune a pretrained GPT-3 model on this data using supervised learning.

Step 2: Collect comparison data, and train a reward model. We collect a dataset of comparisons between model outputs, where labelers indicate which output they prefer for a given input. We then train a reward model to predict the human-preferred output.

Step 3: Optimize a policy against the reward model using PPO. We use the output of the RM as a scalar reward. We fine-tune the supervised policy to optimize this reward using the PPO algorithm (Schulman et al., 2017).



https://openai.com/index/chatgpt/

InstructGPT: Reward Model

Specifically, the loss function for the reward model is:

$$loss(\theta) = -\frac{1}{\binom{K}{2}} E_{(x,y_w,y_l)\sim D} \left[log\left(\sigma\left(r_\theta\left(x,y_w\right) - r_\theta\left(x,y_l\right)\right)\right)\right] \tag{1}$$

where $r_{\theta}(x, y)$ is the scalar output of the reward model for prompt x and completion y with parameters θ , y_w is the preferred completion out of the pair of y_w and y_l , and D is the dataset of human comparisons.

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InstructGPT: PPO

We also experiment with mixing the pretraining gradients into the PPO gradients, in order to fix the performance regressions on public NLP datasets. We call these models "PPO-ptx." We maximize the following combined objective function in RL training:

objective
$$(\phi) = E_{(x,y)\sim D_{\pi_{\phi}^{\text{RL}}}} \left[r_{\theta}(x,y) - \beta \log \left(\pi_{\phi}^{\text{RL}}(y \mid x) / \pi^{\text{SFT}}(y \mid x) \right) \right] +$$

$$\gamma E_{x\sim D_{\text{pretrain}}} \left[\log(\pi_{\phi}^{\text{RL}}(x)) \right]$$
(2)

where $\pi_{\phi}^{\rm RL}$ is the learned RL policy, $\pi^{\rm SFT}$ is the supervised trained model, and $D_{\rm pretrain}$ is the pretraining distribution. The KL reward coefficient, β , and the pretraining loss coefficient, γ , control the strength of the KL penalty and pretraining gradients respectively. For "PPO" models, γ is set to 0. Unless otherwise specified, in this paper InstructGPT refers to the PPO-ptx models.

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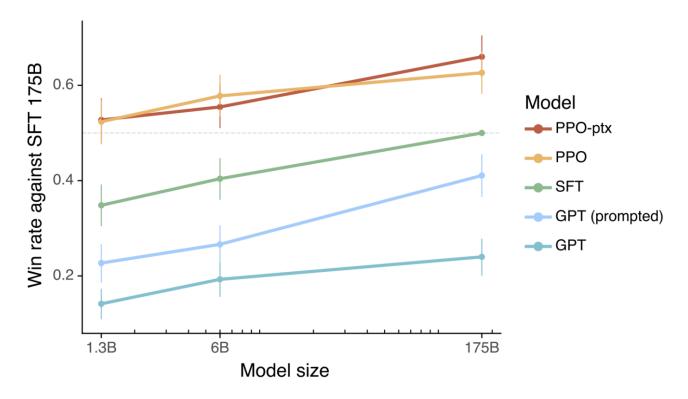


Figure 1: Human evaluations of various models on our API prompt distribution, evaluated by how often outputs from each model were preferred to those from the 175B SFT model. Our InstructGPT models (PPO-ptx) as well as its variant trained without pretraining mix (PPO) significantly outperform the GPT-3 baselines (GPT, GPT prompted); outputs from our 1.3B PPO-ptx model are preferred to those from the 175B GPT-3. Error bars throughout the paper are 95% confidence intervals.

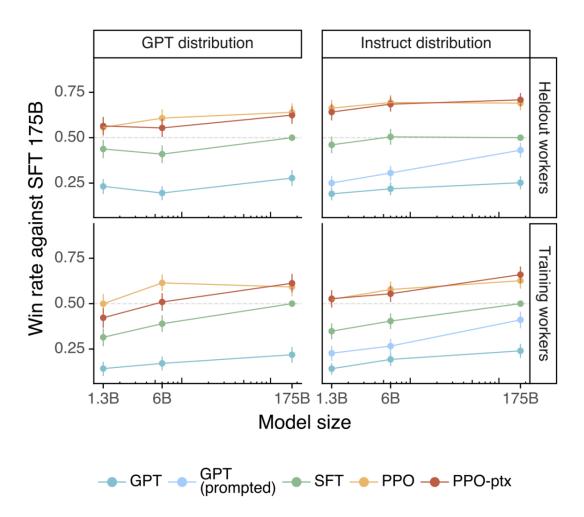


Figure 3: Preference results of our models, measured by winrate against the 175B SFT model. Left: results on prompts submitted to GPT models on the API; Right: results on prompts submitted to InstructGPT models on the API; Top: results from held-out labelers; Bottom: results from training labelers. We omit GPT (prompted) from the evals on prompts submitted to GPT-3 models (left) as these prompts are already designed to perform well for GPT-3, as opposed to prompts submitted to InstructGPT models (right).

Other LLMs

Gemini: A Family of Highly Capable Multimodal Models

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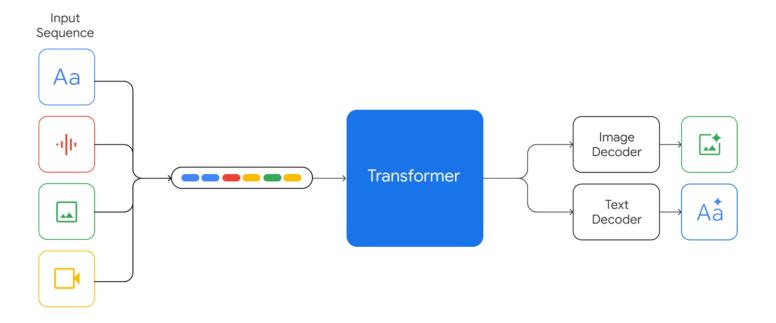


Figure 2 | Gemini models support interleaved sequences of text, image, audio, and video as inputs (illustrated by tokens of different colors in the input sequence). They can output responses with interleaved image and text.

Other LLMs

2 Approach

Our training approach is similar to the methods described in previous work (Brown et al., 2020; Chowdhery et al., 2022), and is inspired by the Chinchilla scaling laws (Hoffmann et al., 2022). We train large transformers on a large quantity of textual data using a standard optimizer.

LLaMA: Open and Efficient Foundation Language Models

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This paper was published in 2022. The main goal of this paper was to find the relationship between three factors. These factors are model size, number of tokens, and compute budget. They came to the conclusion that the current LLMs like 175B GPT-3, 280B Gopher, and 530B Megatron are significantly undertrained. All these models have increased the number of parameters but the training data remained constant. The authors mention that for compute-optimal training, the number of training tokens and model size must be scaled equally. They trained about 400 language models ranging from 70 million to over 16 billion parameters on 5 to 500 billion tokens.

After finding the relationship between the three factors, they trained a new LLM called Chinchilla which uses same compute budget as 280B Gopher but has 70B parameters and 4 times more training data. Chinchilla outperforms Gopher (280B), GPT-3 (175B), Jurassic-1 (178B), and Megatron (530B). This result is in contradiction to the "Scaling laws for LLMs" by OpenAI. Now, relatively smaller models can give better performance if trained on more data. Smaller models are easy to fine-tune and also have less latency at inference. These models should not be to their lowest possible loss to be compute optimal.

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Sparks of Artificial General Intelligence: Early experiments with GPT-4

Limits of LLMs

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Artificial intelligence (AI) researchers have been developing and refining large language models (LLMs) that exhibit remarkable capabilities across a variety of domains and tasks, challenging our understanding of learning and cognition. The latest model developed by OpenAI, GPT-4 [Ope23], was trained using an unprecedented scale of compute and data. In this paper, we report on our investigation of an early version of GPT-4, when it was still in active development by OpenAI. We contend that (this early version of) GPT-4 is part of a new cohort of LLMs (along with ChatGPT and Google's PaLM for example) that exhibit more general intelligence than previous AI models. We discuss the rising capabilities and implications of these models. We demonstrate that, beyond its mastery of language, GPT-4 can solve novel and difficult tasks that span mathematics, coding, vision, medicine, law, psychology and more, without needing any special prompting. Moreover, in all of these tasks, GPT-4's performance is strikingly close to human-level performance, and often vastly surpasses prior models such as ChatGPT. Given the breadth and depth of GPT-4's capabilities, we believe that it could reasonably be viewed as an early (yet still incomplete) version of an artificial general intelligence (AGI) system. In our exploration of GPT-4, we put special emphasis on discovering its limitations, and we discuss the challenges ahead for advancing towards deeper and more comprehensive versions of AGI, including the possible need for pursuing a new paradigm that moves beyond next-word prediction. We conclude with reflections on societal influences of the recent technological leap and future research directions.

Limits of LLMs

Faith and Fate: Limits of Transformers on Compositionality

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Transformer large language models (LLMs) have sparked admiration for their exceptional performance on tasks that demand intricate multi-step reasoning. Yet, these models simultaneously show failures on surprisingly trivial problems. This begs the question: Are these errors incidental, or do they signal more substantial limitations? In an attempt to demystify Transformers, we investigate the limits of these models across three representative compositional tasks—multi-digit multiplication, logic grid puzzles, and a classic dynamic programming problem. These tasks require breaking problems down into sub-steps and synthesizing these steps into a precise answer. We formulate compositional tasks as computation graphs to systematically quantify the level of complexity, and break down reasoning steps into intermediate sub-procedures. Our empirical findings suggest that Transformers solve compositional tasks by reducing multi-step compositional reasoning into linearized subgraph matching, without necessarily developing systematic problemsolving skills. To round off our empirical study, we provide theoretical arguments on abstract multi-step reasoning problems that highlight how Transformers' performance will rapidly decay with increased task complexity.

- Risk area 1: Discrimination, Hate speech and Exclusion
 - Social stereotypes and unfair discrimination
 - Hate speech and offensive language
 - Exclusionary norms
 - Lower performance for some languages and social groups

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- Risk area 2: Information Hazards
 - Compromising privacy by leaking sensitive information
 - Compromising privacy or security by correctly inferring sensitive information
- Risk area 3: Misinformation Harms
 - Disseminating false or misleading information
 - Causing material harm by disseminating false or poor information e.g. in medicine or law

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- Risk area 4: Malicious Uses
 - Making disinformation cheaper and more effective
 - Anticipated risks
 - Assisting code generation for cyber security threats
 - Facilitating fraud, scams and targeted manipulation
 - Illegitimate surveillance and censorship
- Risk area 5: Human-Computer Interaction Harms

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- Risk area 5: Human-Computer **Interaction Harms**
 - Promoting harmful stereotypes by implying gender or ethnic identity
 - Anthropomorphising systems can lead to overreliance or unsafe use
 - Avenues for exploiting user trust and accessing more private information
 - Human-like interaction may amplify opportunities for user nudging, deception or manipulation

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- Risk area 6: Environmental and Socioeconomic harms
 - Environmental harms from operating LMs
 - Anticipated risks:
 - Increasing inequality and negative effects on job quality
 - Undermining creative economies
 - Disparate access to benefits due to hardware, software, skill constraints

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On the Dangers of Stochastic Parrots: Can Language Models Be Too Big?

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- Environmental & financial costs
- Require vast data
 - Not necessarily diverse
 - Includes bias
 - Accountability/liability
- Stochastic Parrots

Year	Model	# of Parameters	Dataset Size
2019	BERT [39]	3.4E+08	16GB
2019	DistilBERT [113]	6.60E+07	16GB
2019	ALBERT [70]	2.23E+08	16GB
2019	XLNet (Large) [150]	3.40E+08	126GB
2020	ERNIE-GEN (Large) [145]	3.40E+08	16GB
2019	RoBERTa (Large) [74]	3.55E+08	161GB
2019	MegatronLM [122]	8.30E+09	174GB
2020	T5-11B [107]	1.10E+10	745GB
2020	T-NLG [112]	1.70E+10	174GB
2020	GPT-3 [25]	1.75E+11	570GB
2020	GShard [73]	6.00E+11	_
2021	Switch-C [43]	1.57E+12	745GB

Table 1: Overview of recent large language models