

Introduction to Deep Learning

22. Encoder-Decoder, Seq2seq

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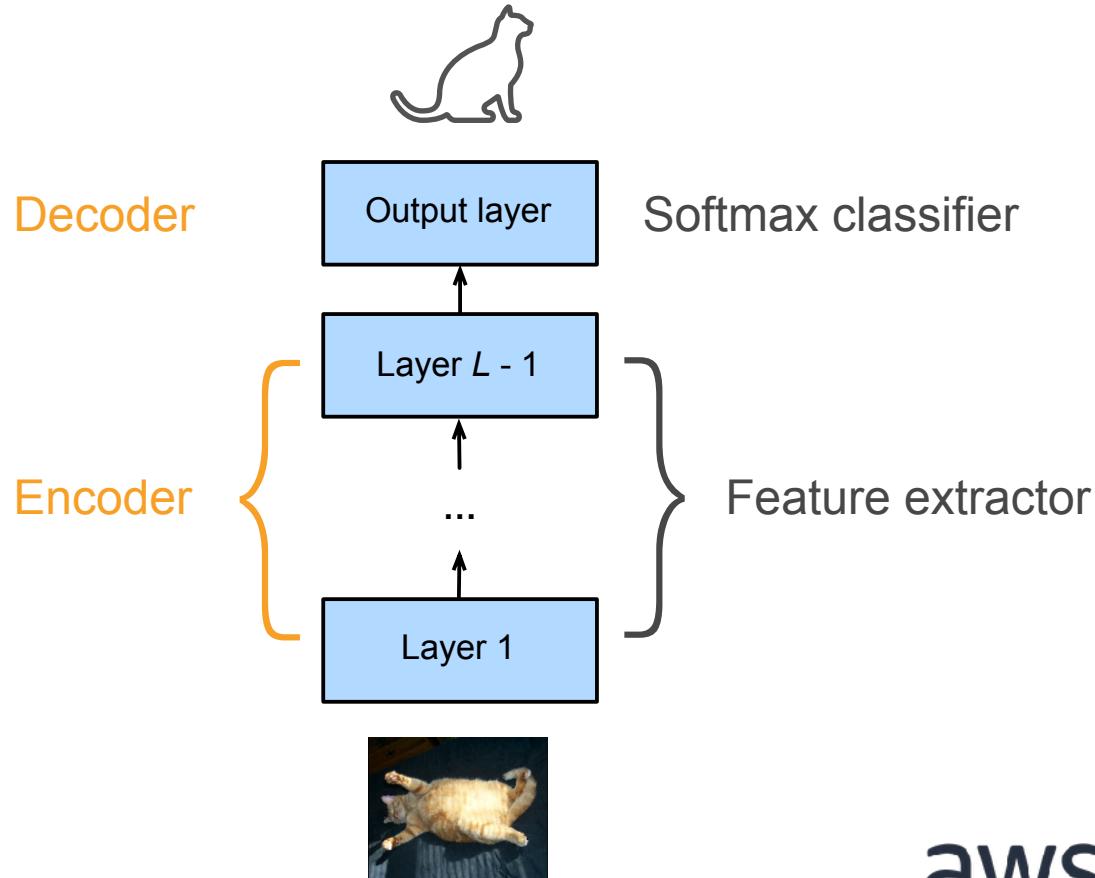
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Encoder- Decoder



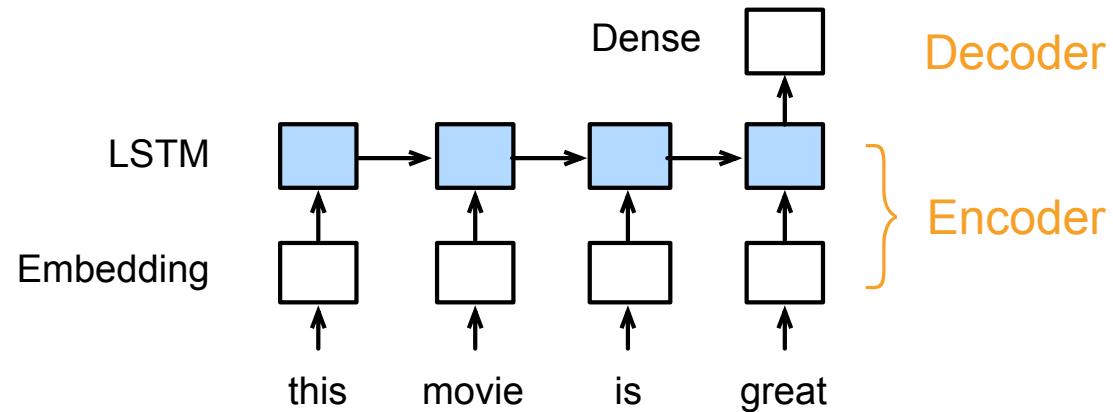
Rethink about CNN

- Encoder: encode inputs into intermediate presentation (features)
- Decoder: decode the presentation into outputs



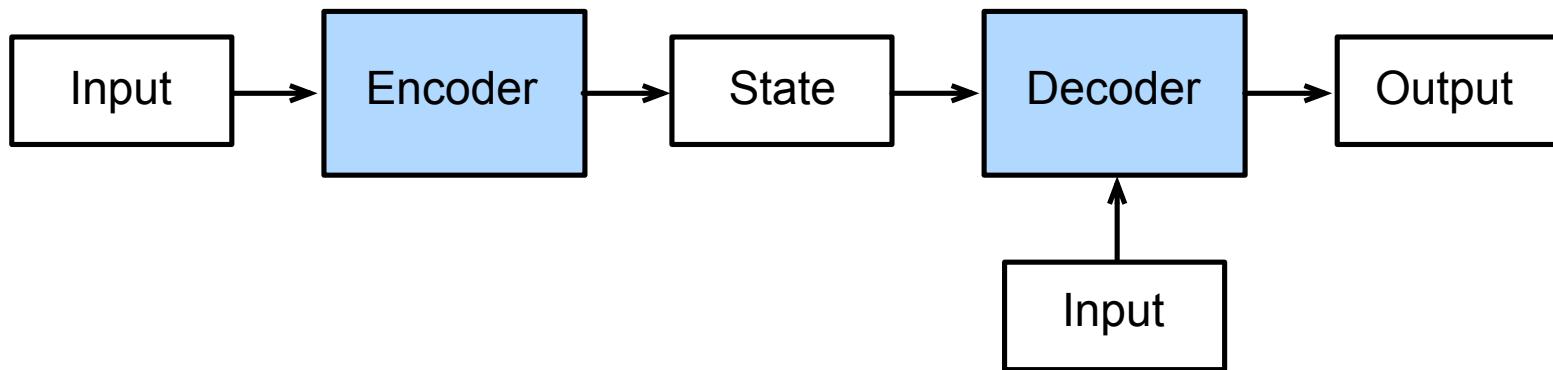
Rethink about RNN

- Encoder: present a piece of text as a vector
- Decoder: decode the presentation into outputs



The Encoder-decoder Architecture

- A model is partitioned into two parts
 - The encoder process inputs
 - The decoder generates outputs



The Base Class for an Encoder

```
class Encoder(nn.Block):
    def __init__(self, **kwargs):
        super(Encoder, self).__init__(**kwargs)

    def forward(self, X):
        raise NotImplementedError
```

The Base Class for a Decoder

- Create state with the encoder outputs and any other infos

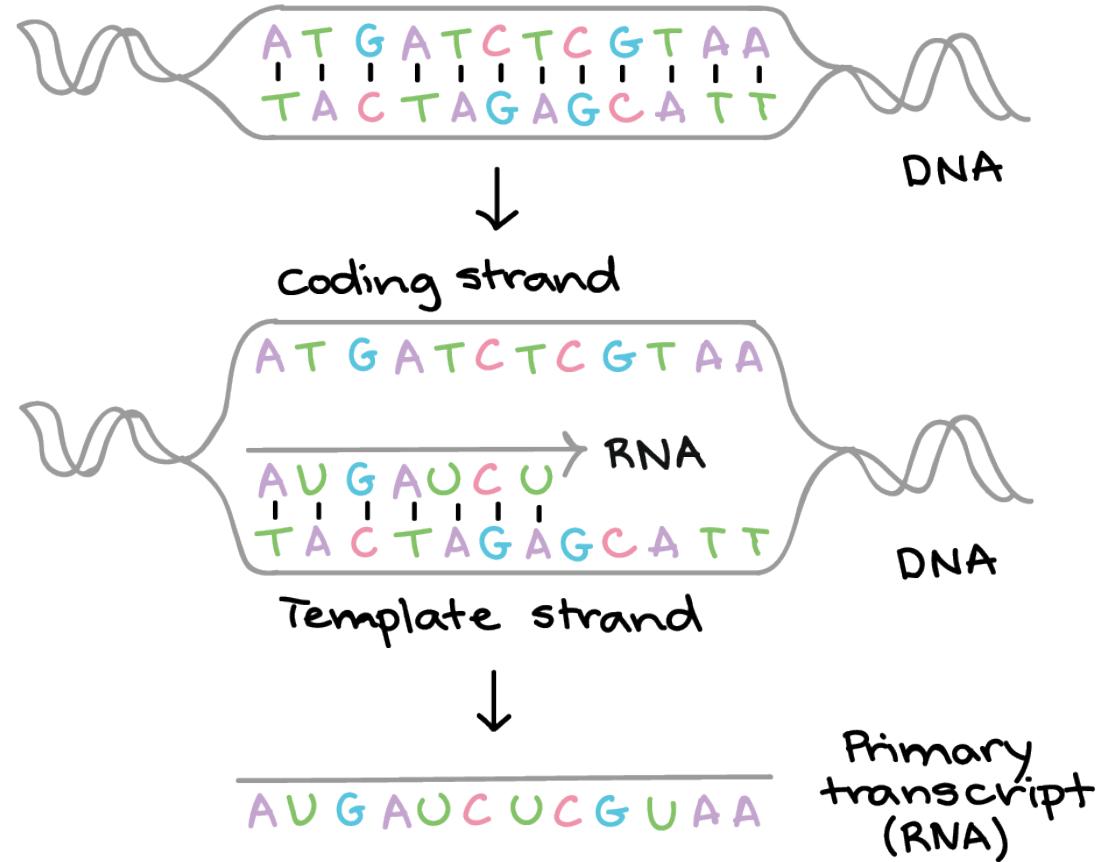
```
class Decoder(nn.Block):  
    def __init__(self, **kwargs):  
        super(Decoder, self).__init__(**kwargs)  
  
    def init_state(self, enc_outputs, *args):  
        raise NotImplementedError  
  
    def forward(self, X, state):  
        raise NotImplementedError
```

The Base Class of the model

```
class EncoderDecoder(nn.Block):
    def __init__(self, encoder, decoder, **kwargs):
        super(EncoderDecoder, self).__init__(**kwargs)
        self.encoder = encoder
        self.decoder = decoder

    def forward(self, enc_X, dec_X, *args):
        enc_outputs = self.encoder(enc_X)
        dec_state = self.decoder.init_state(enc_outputs, *args)
        return self.decoder(dec_X, dec_state)
```

Seq2seq



Machine Translation

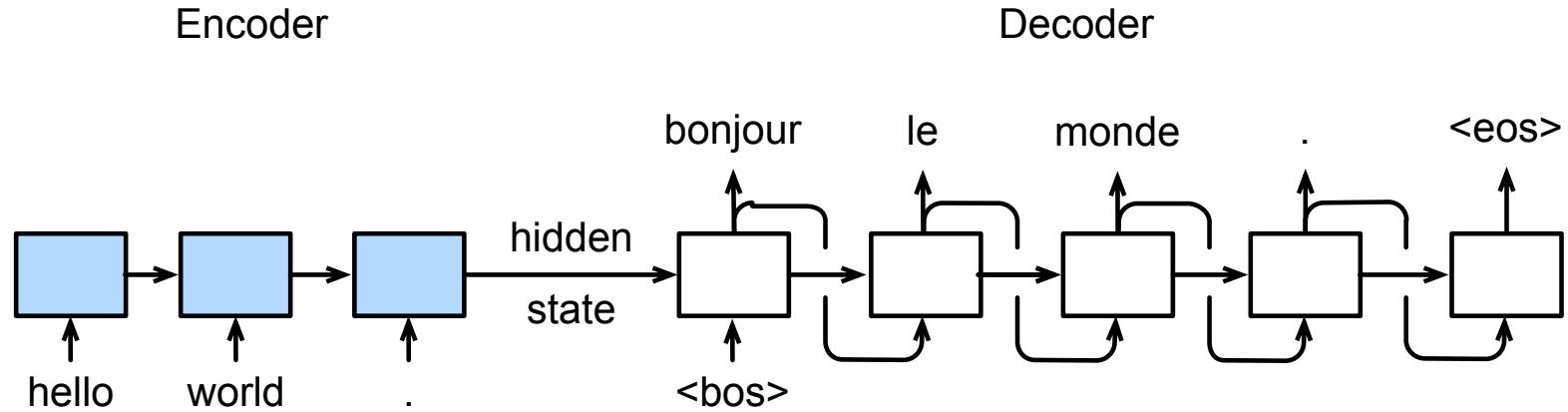
- Given a sentence in a source language, translate into a target language
- These two sequences may have different lengths

The screenshot shows a machine translation interface with the following details:

- Text Tab:** Selected tab.
- Documents Tab:** Unselected tab.
- Source Language:** ENGLISH - DETECTED
- Target Language:** CHINESE (SIMPLIFIED)
- Input Sentence:** STAT-157 is a great deep learning introduction course
- Output Sentence:** STAT-157是一个很棒的深度学习入门课程
- Pinyin:** STAT-157 shì yīgè hěn bàng de shēndù xuéxí rùmén kèchéng
- Interaction Buttons:** Microphone, speaker, edit, copy, and share.
- Character Count:** 53/5000

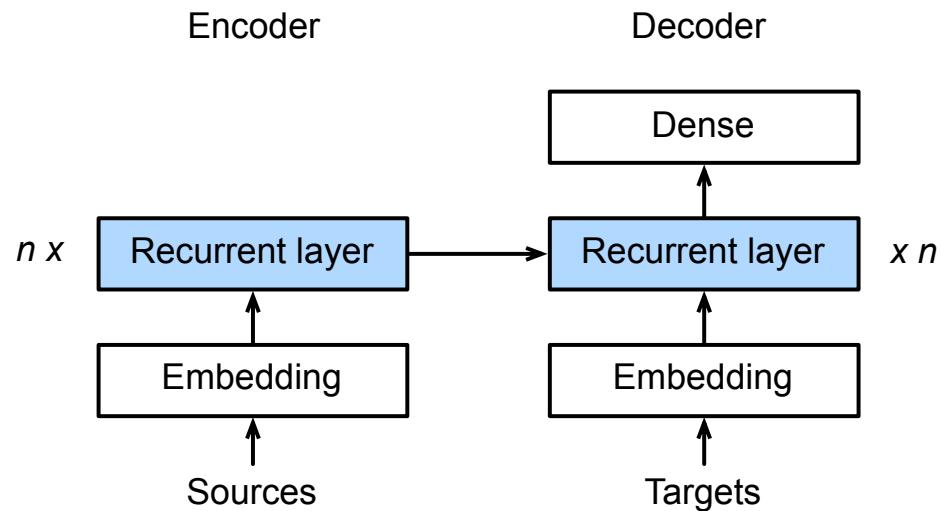
Seq2seq

- The encoder is a RNN to read input sequence
- The decoder uses another RNN to generate output



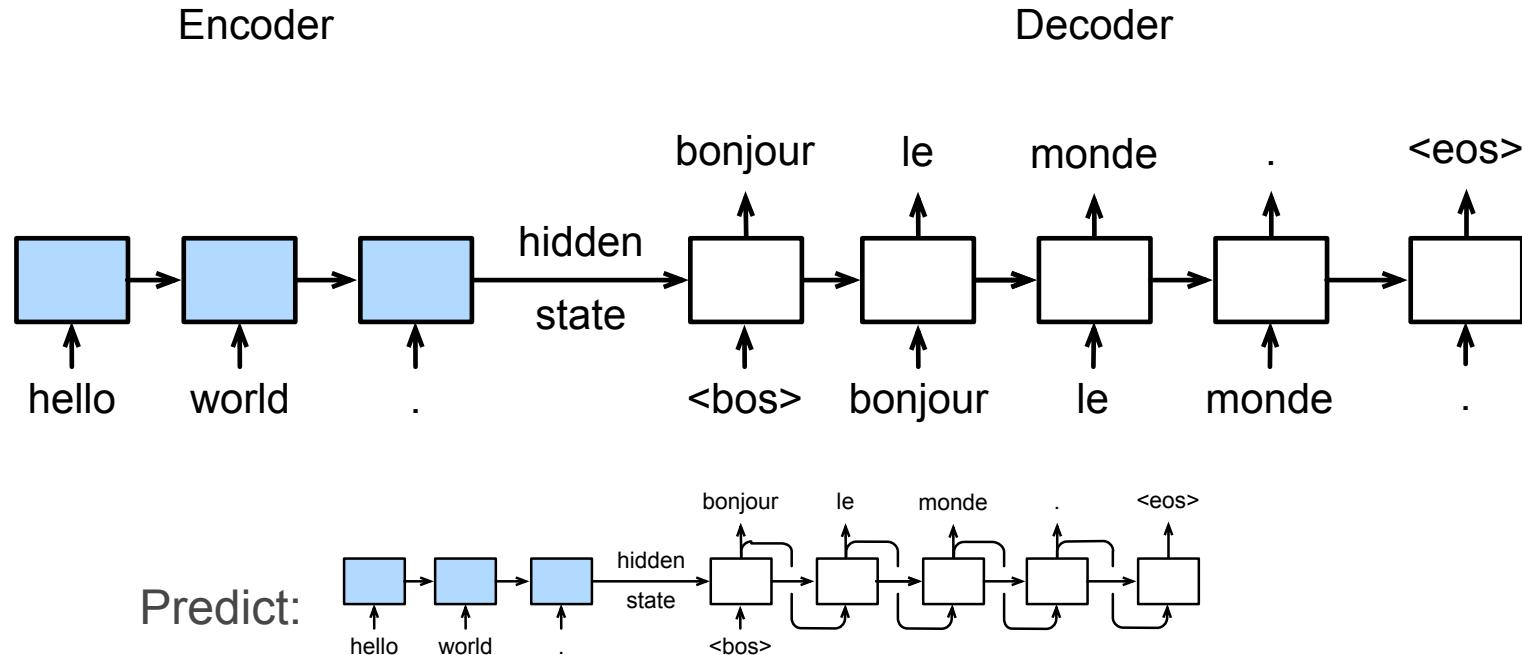
Encoder/Decoder Details

- The encoder is a standard RNN model without the output layer
- The encoder's hidden state in last time step is used as the decoder's initial hidden state



Training

- The decoder is feed with the targeted sentence during training



Code...

Beam Search



Greedy Search

- We used greedy search in the seq2seq model during predicting
- It could be suboptimal

Greedy search:

$$0.5 \times 0.4 \times 0.4 \times 0.6 = 0.048$$

| Time step | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| A | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| B | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| C | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| <eos> | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 |

A better choice:

$$0.5 \times 0.3 \times 0.6 \times 0.6 = 0.054$$

| Time step | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| A | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| B | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| C | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| <eos> | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 |

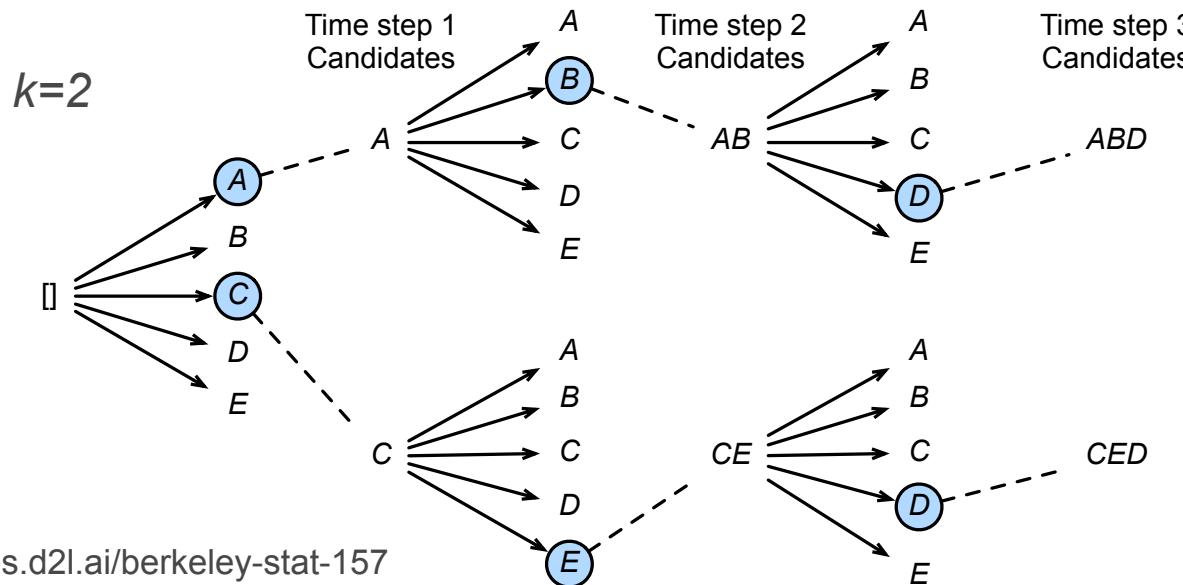
Exhaustive Search

- For every possible sequence, compute its probability and pick the best one
- If output vocabulary size is n , and max sequence length T , then we need to examine n^T sequences
 - It's computationally infeasible

$$n = 10000, \quad T = 10 : \quad n^T = 10^{40}$$

Beam Search

- We keep the best k (beam size) candidates for each time
- Examine kn sequences by adding an new item to a candidate, and then keep the top- k ones



Beam Search

- Time complexity is $O(knT)$

$$k = 5, \quad n = 10000, \quad T = 10 : \quad knT = 5 \times 10^5$$

- The final score for each candidate is

$$\frac{1}{L^\alpha} \log \mathbb{P}(y_1, \dots, y_L) = \frac{1}{L^\alpha} \sum_{t'=1}^L \log \mathbb{P}(y_{t'} \mid y_1, \dots, y_{t'-1}, \mathbf{c})$$

- Often $\alpha = 0.75$