Lecture 19 Transformers and LLMs

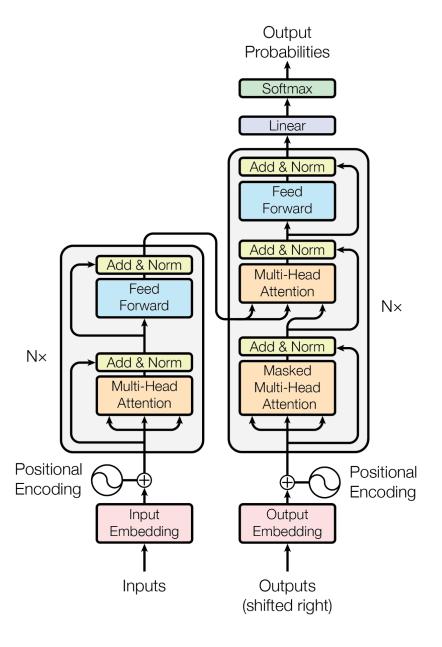
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Part 1

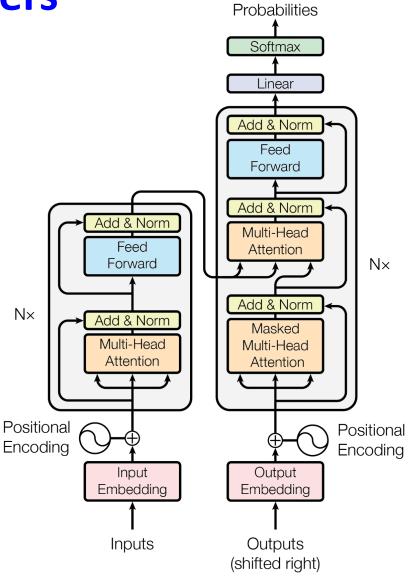
Transformers



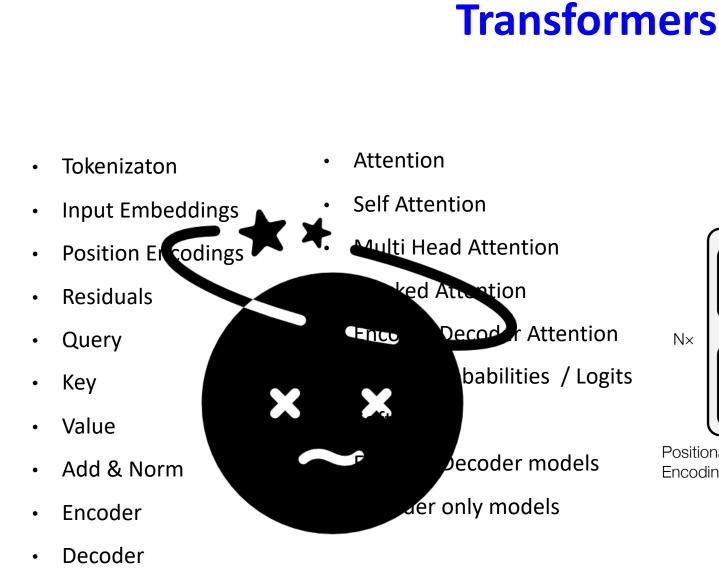
Transformers

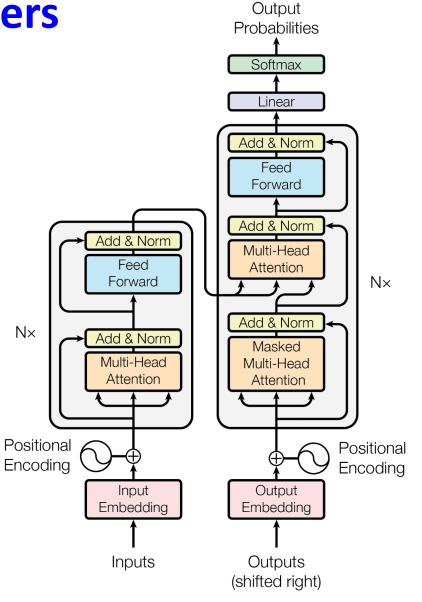
- Tokenizaton
- Input Embeddings
- Position Encodings
- Residuals
- Query
- Key
- Value
- Add & Norm
- Encoder
- Decoder

- Attention
- Self Attention
- Multi Head Attention
- Masked Attention
- Encoder Decoder Attention
- Output Probabilities / Logits
- Softmax
- Encoder-Decoder models
- Decoder only models



Output





Machine Translation

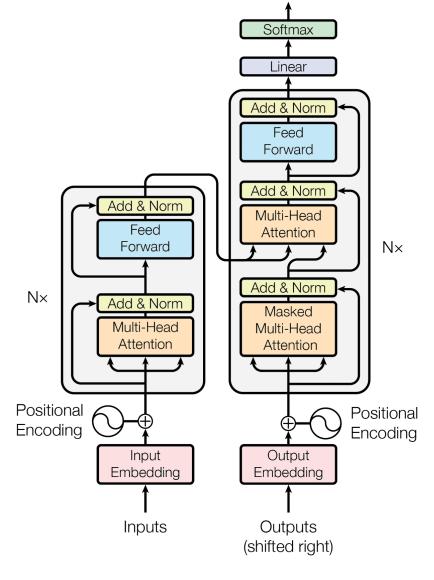
Targets

Ich have einen apfel gegessen



Inputs

I ate an apple



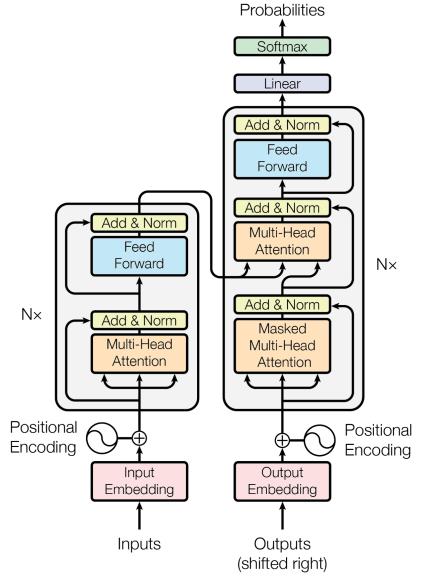
Output Probabilities

Inputs

Processing Inputs

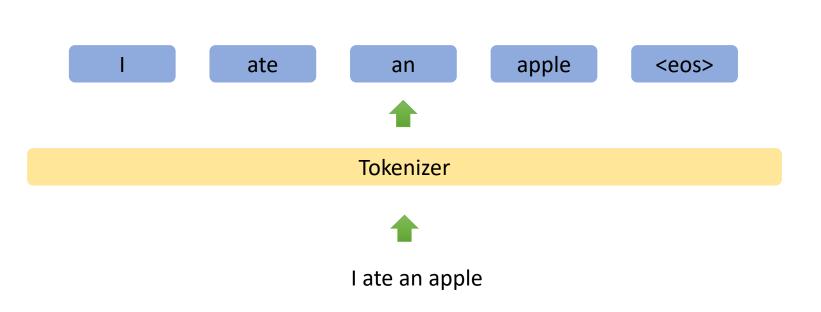
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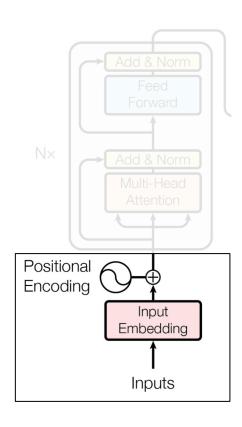
I ate an apple



Output

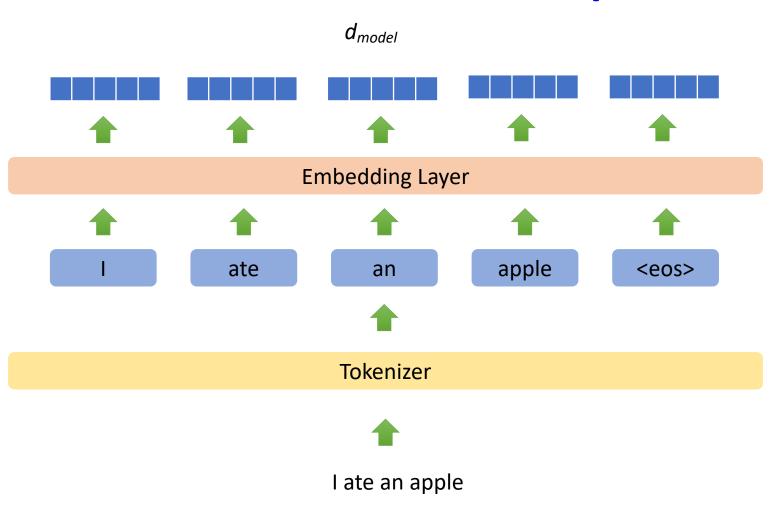
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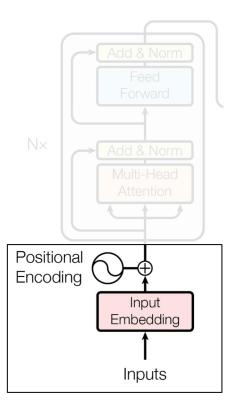




Generate Input Emebeddings

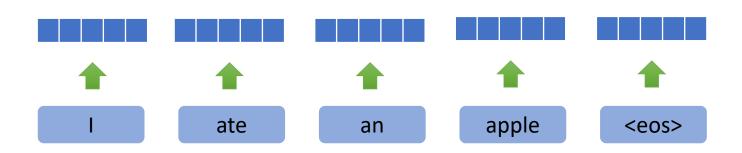
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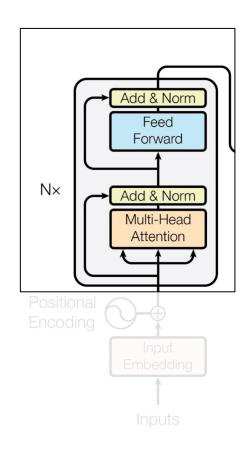


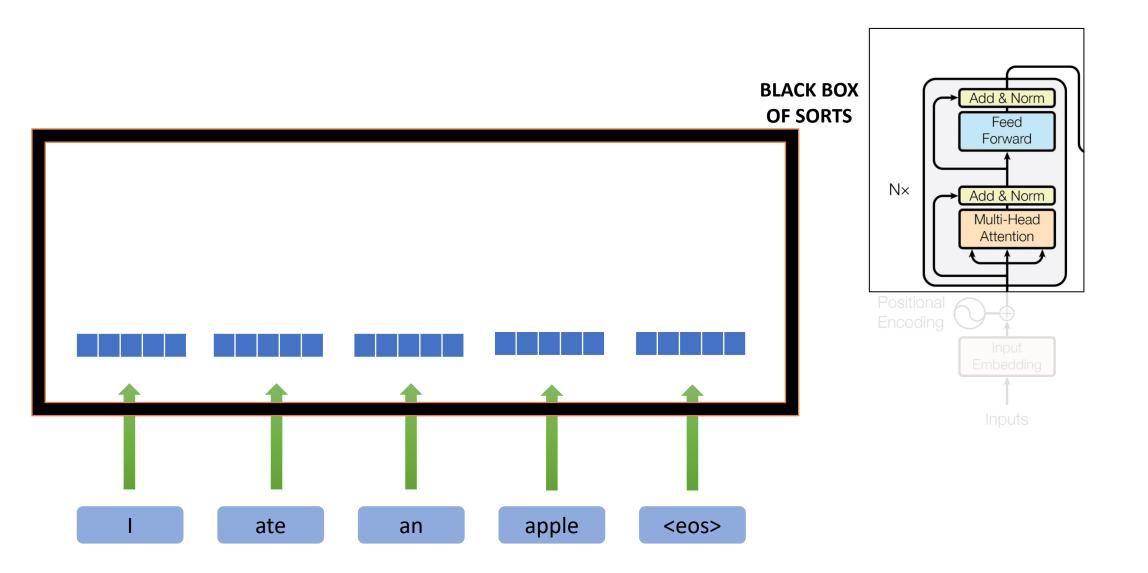


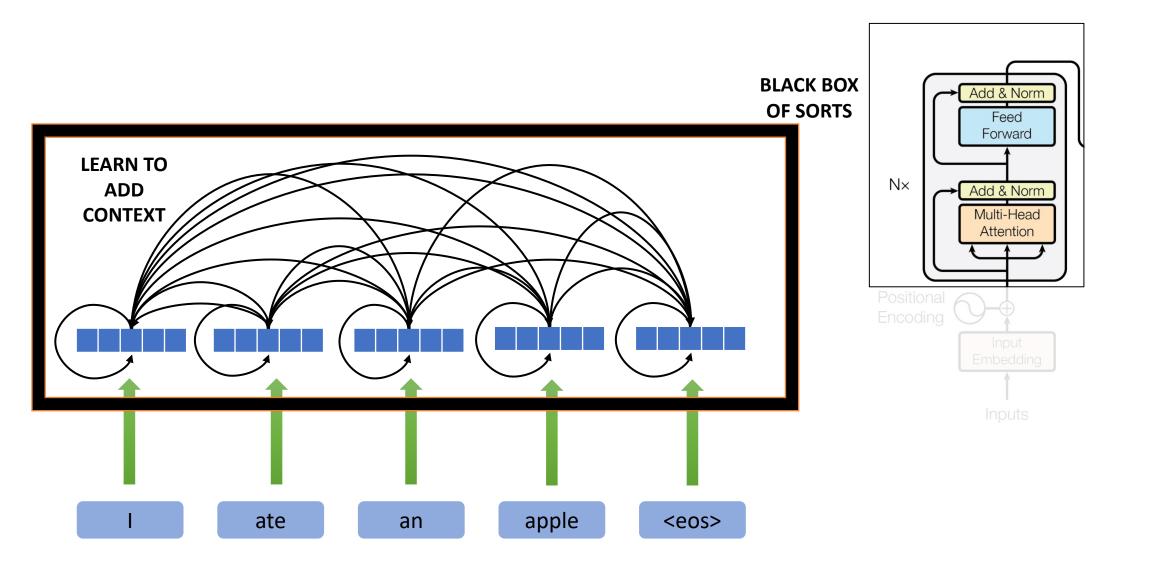
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WHERE IS THE CONTEXT?

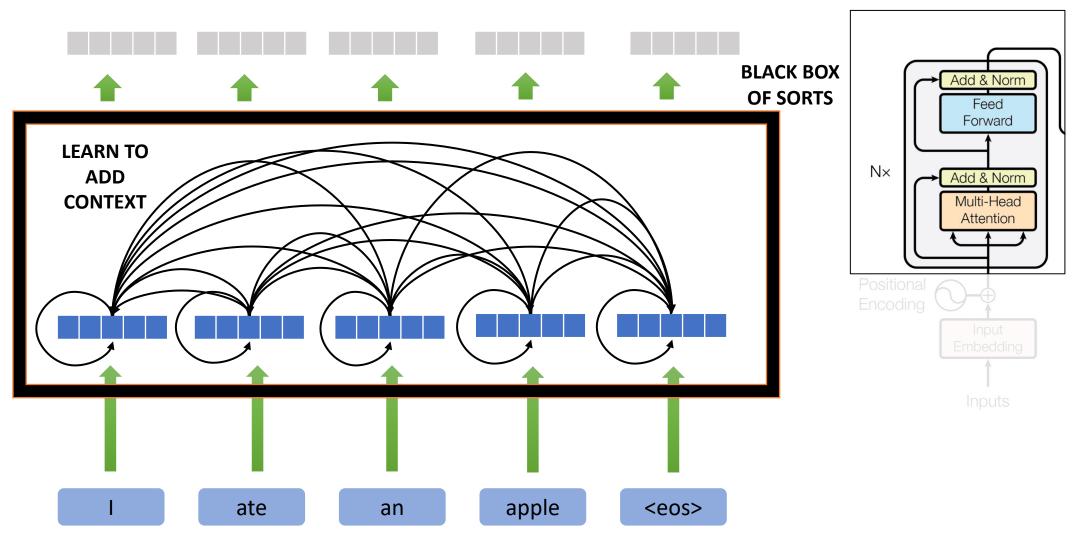






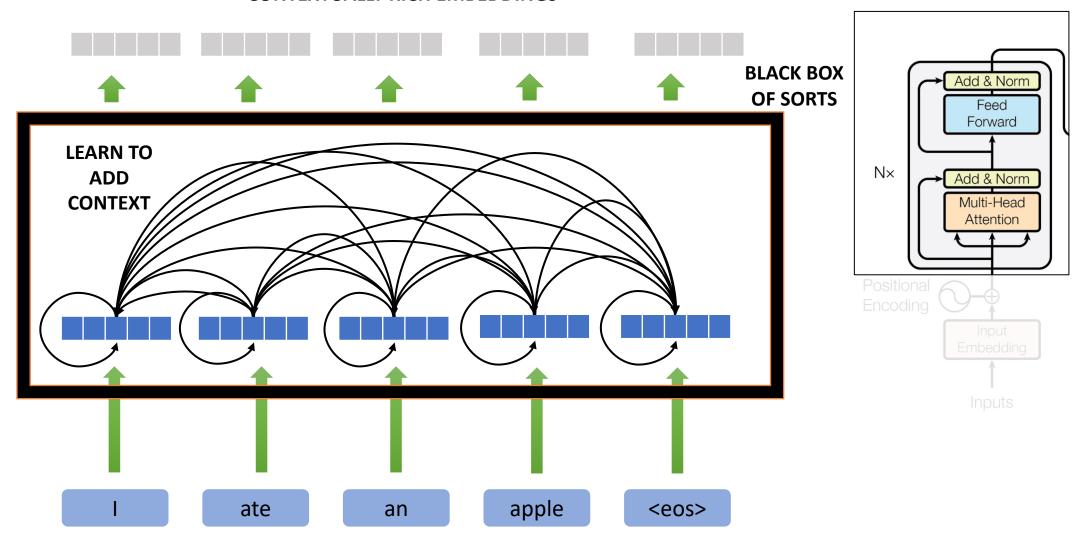


CONTEXTUALLY RICH EMBEDDINGS



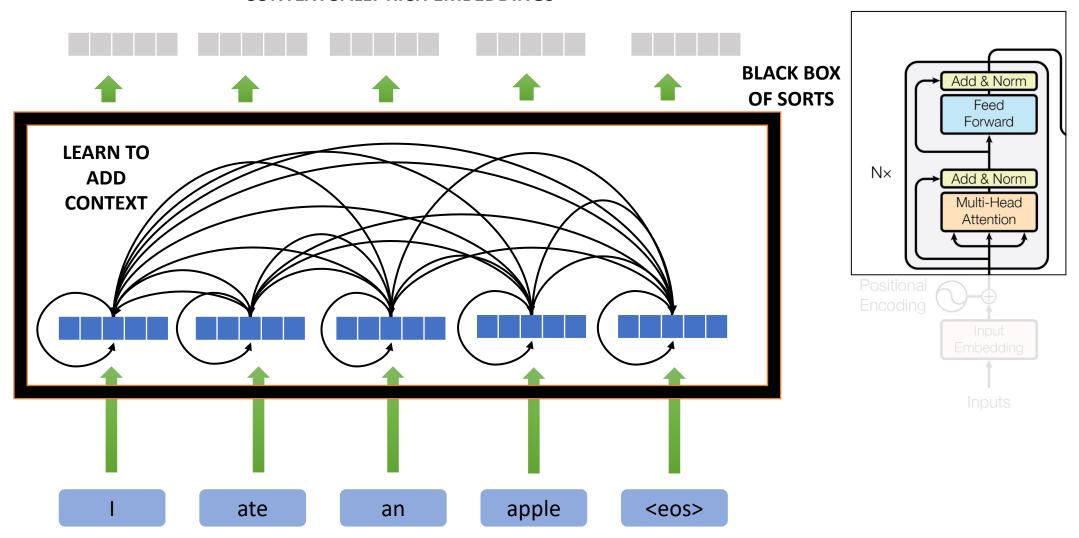
$\alpha_{[ij]}$?

CONTEXTUALLY RICH EMBEDDINGS



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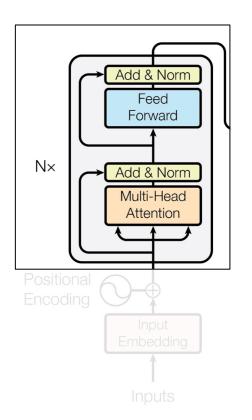
CONTEXTUALLY RICH EMBEDDINGS



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From lecture 18:

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

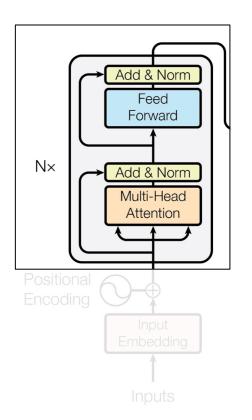


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From lecture 18:

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- Query
- Key
- Value



Database

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Database

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{Query: "Order details of order_104"}
OR
{Query: "Order details of order_106"}
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{Query: "Order details of order_104"}

OR

{Query: "Order details of order_106"}
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{Query: "Order details of order_104"}
OR
{Query: "Order details of order 106"}
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Done at the same time!!

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Query

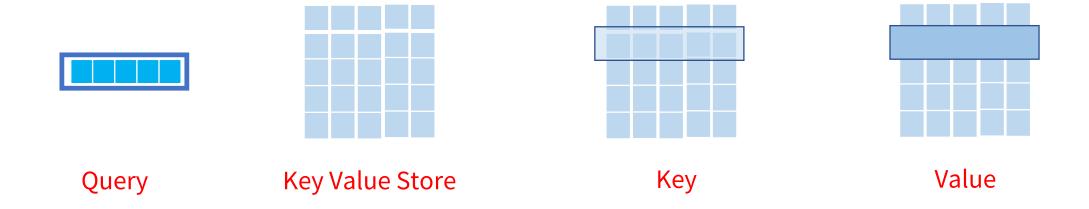
1. Search for info

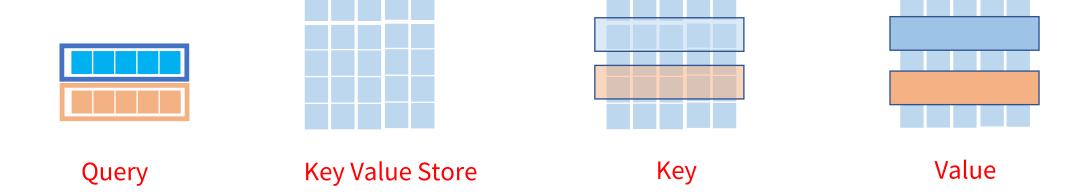
Key

- 1. Interacts directly with Queries
- 2. Distinguishes one object from another
- 3. Identify which object is the most relevant and by how much

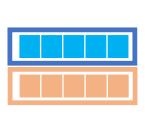
Value

- 1. Actual details of the object
- 2. More fine grained

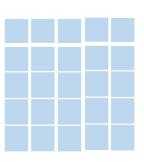




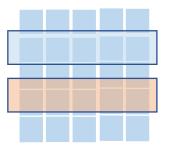
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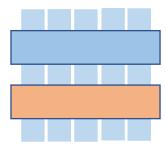




Key Value Store

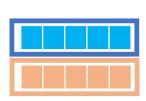


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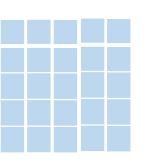
Parallelizable!!!



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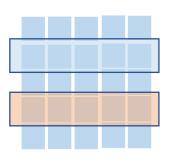
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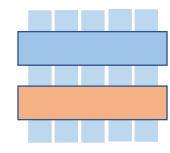


Key Value Store

 QK^T



Key



Value

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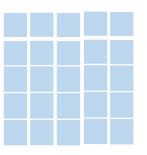
$$softmax(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d}})V$$

Parallelizable!!!

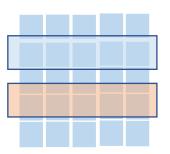
Attention Filter



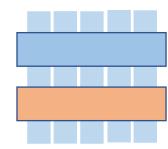
Query



Key Value Store



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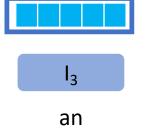
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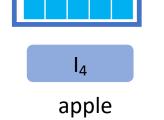
 QK^T

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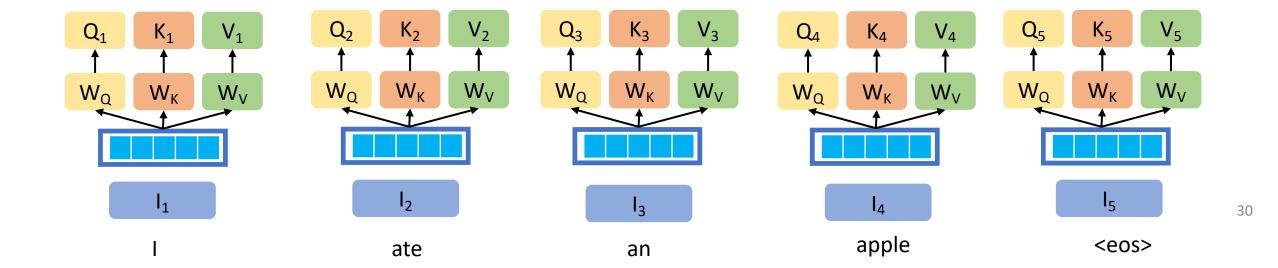




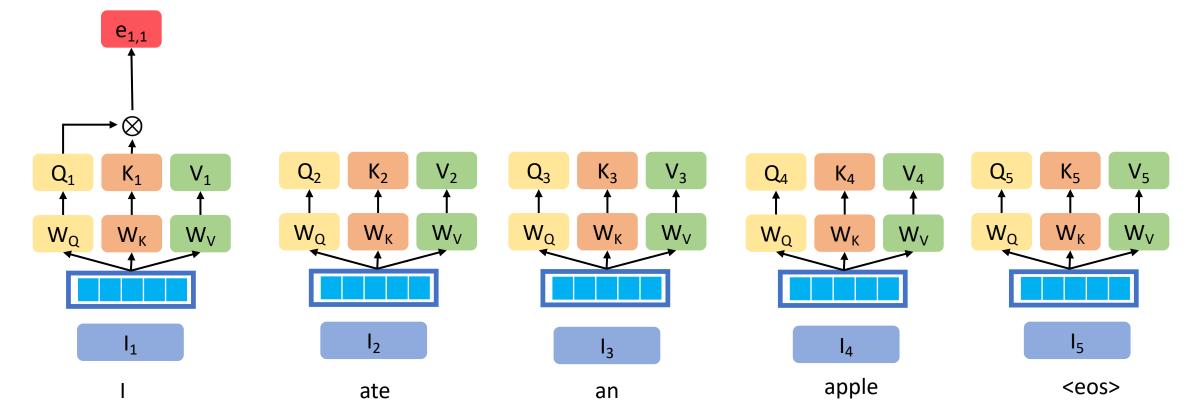
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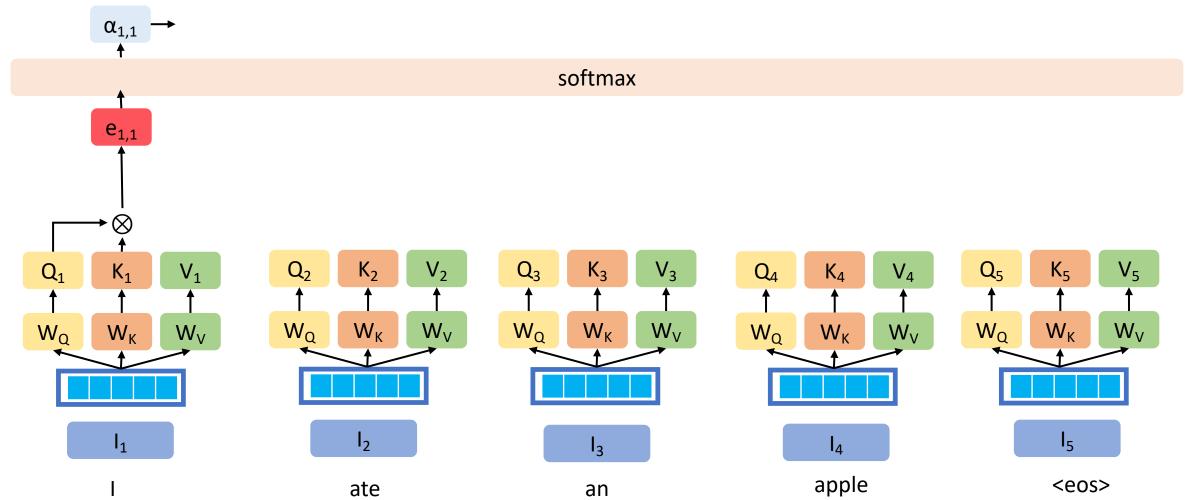
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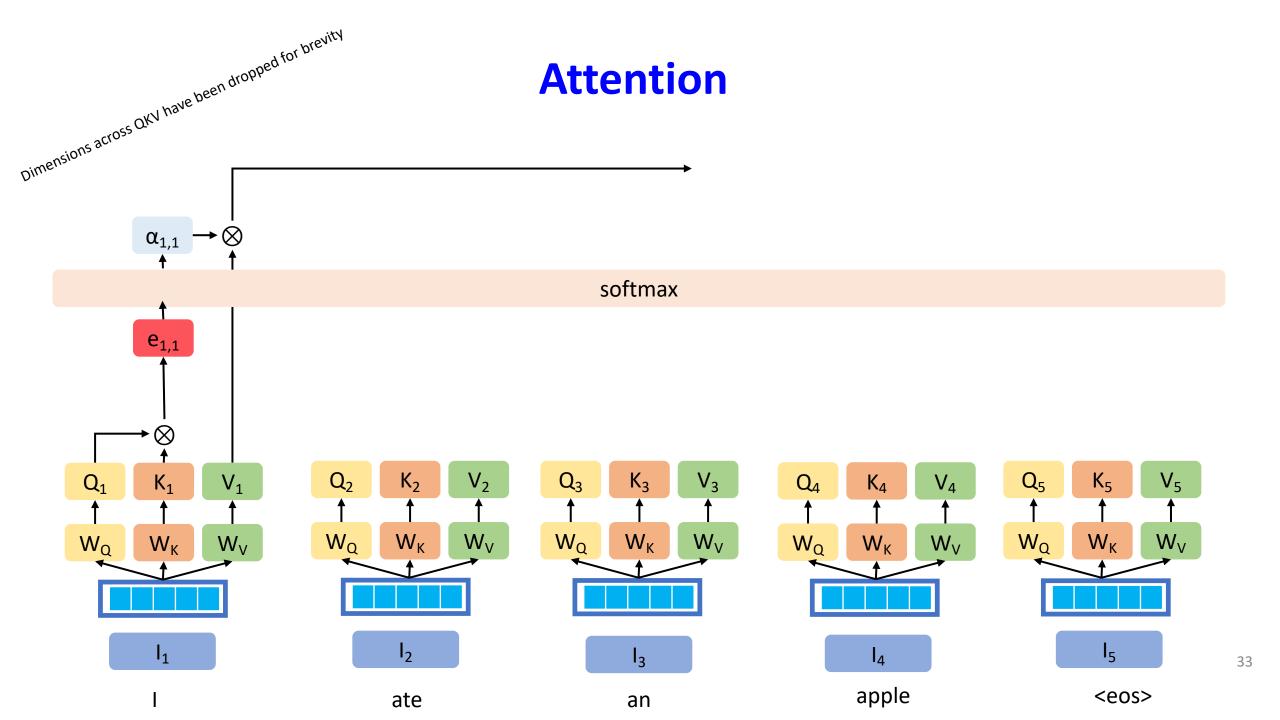


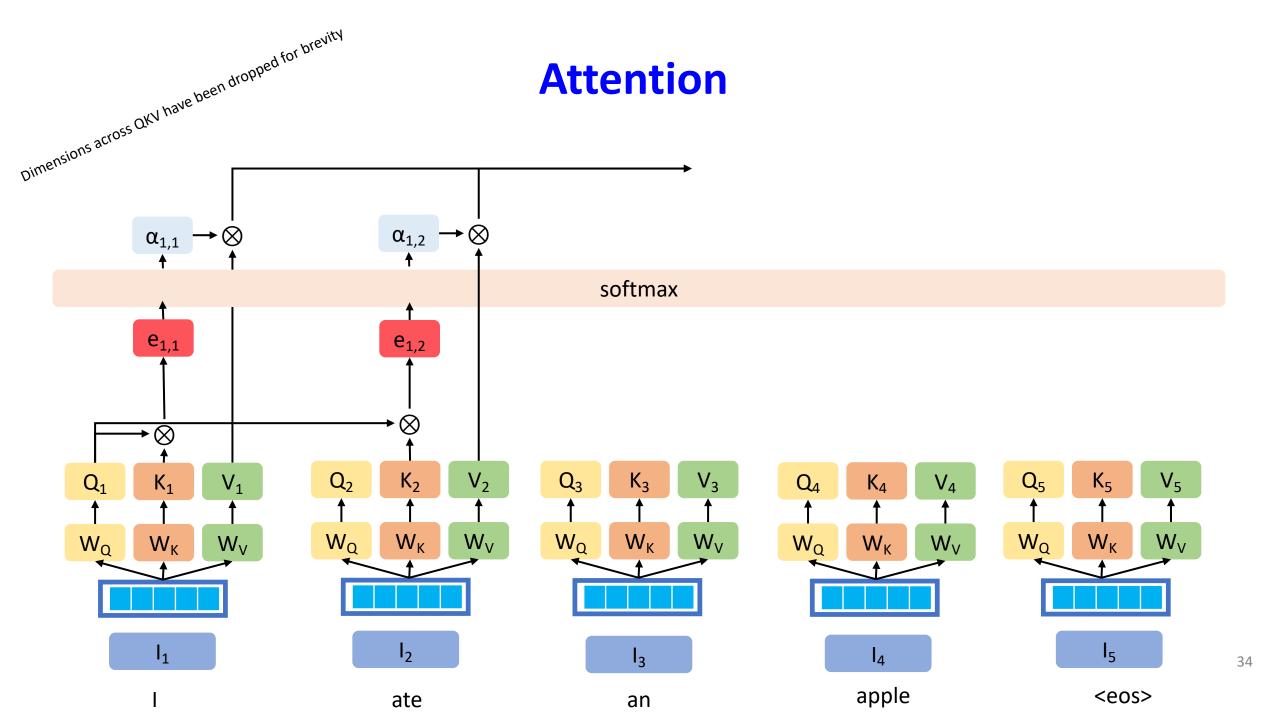
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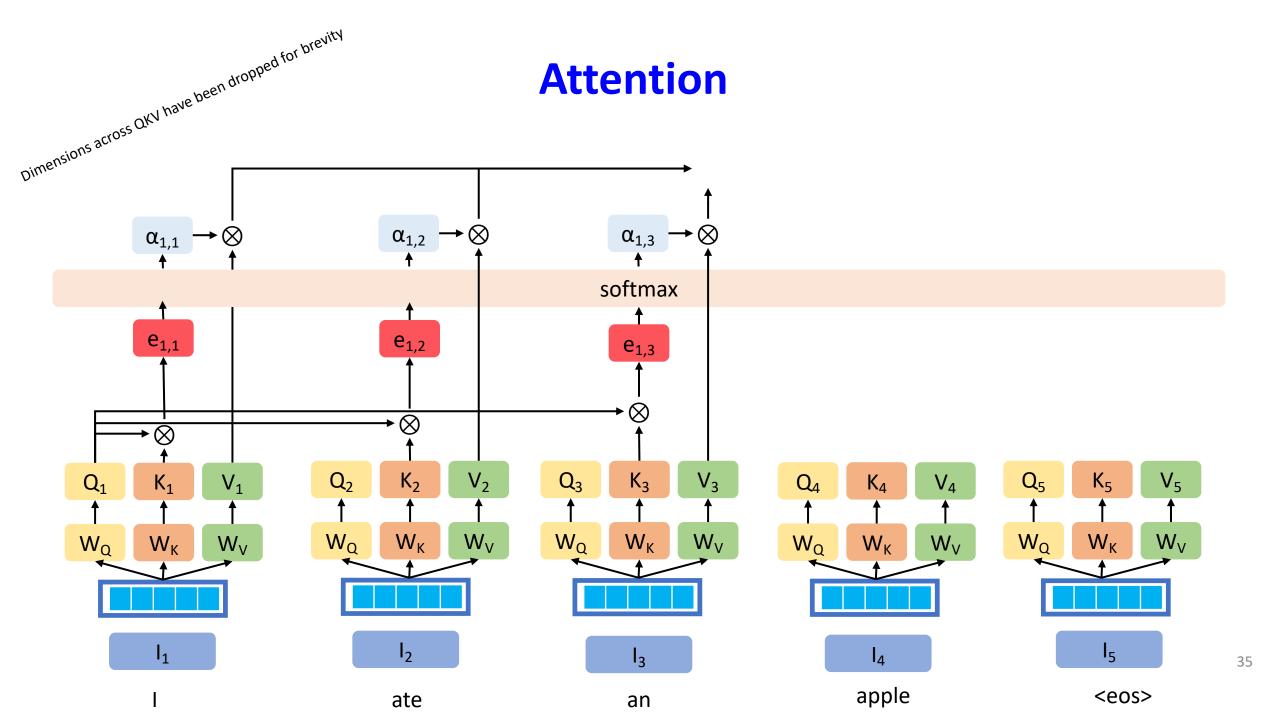


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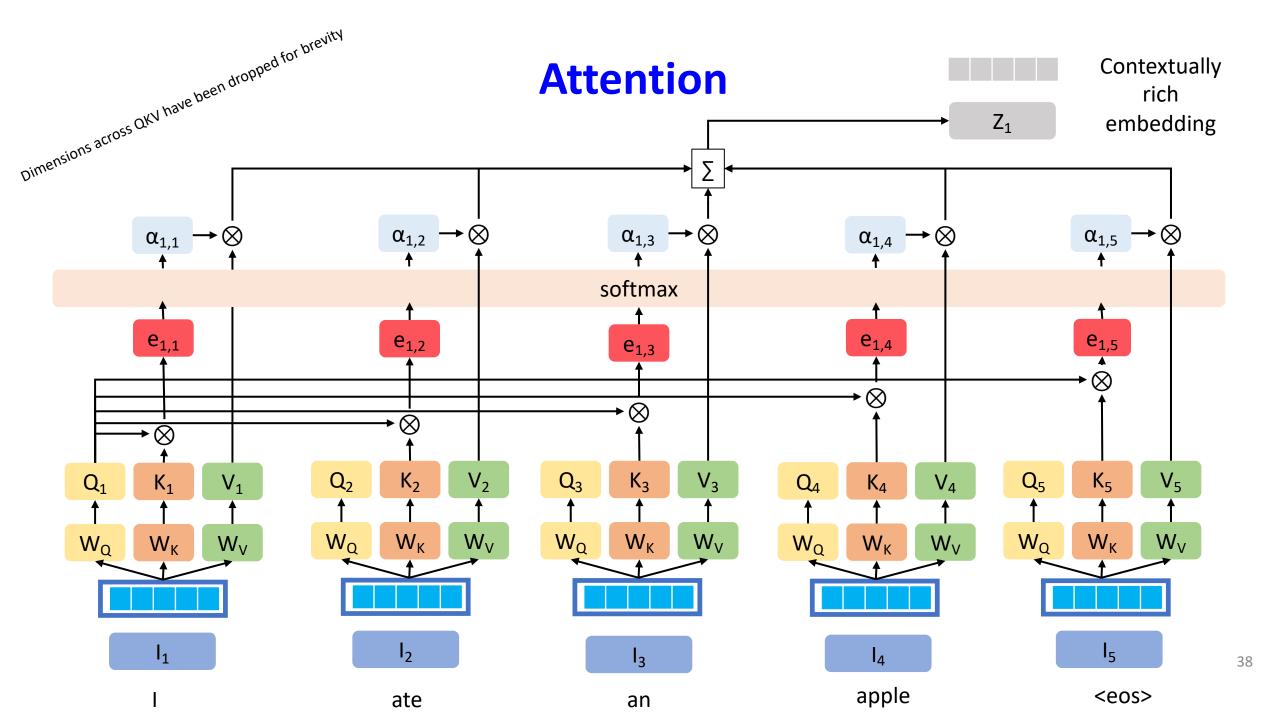
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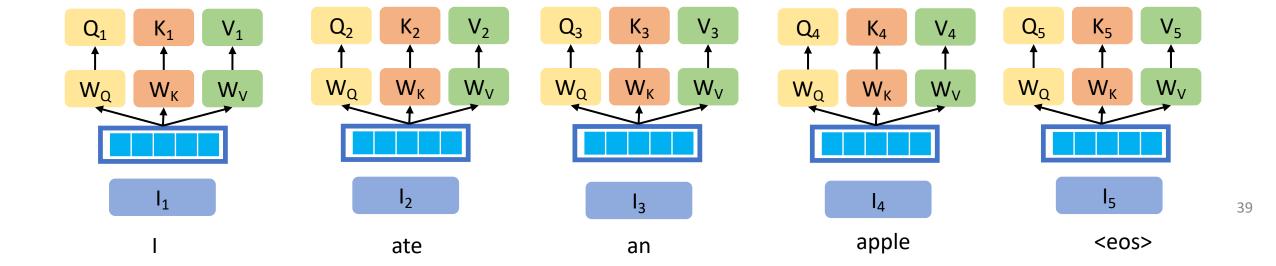
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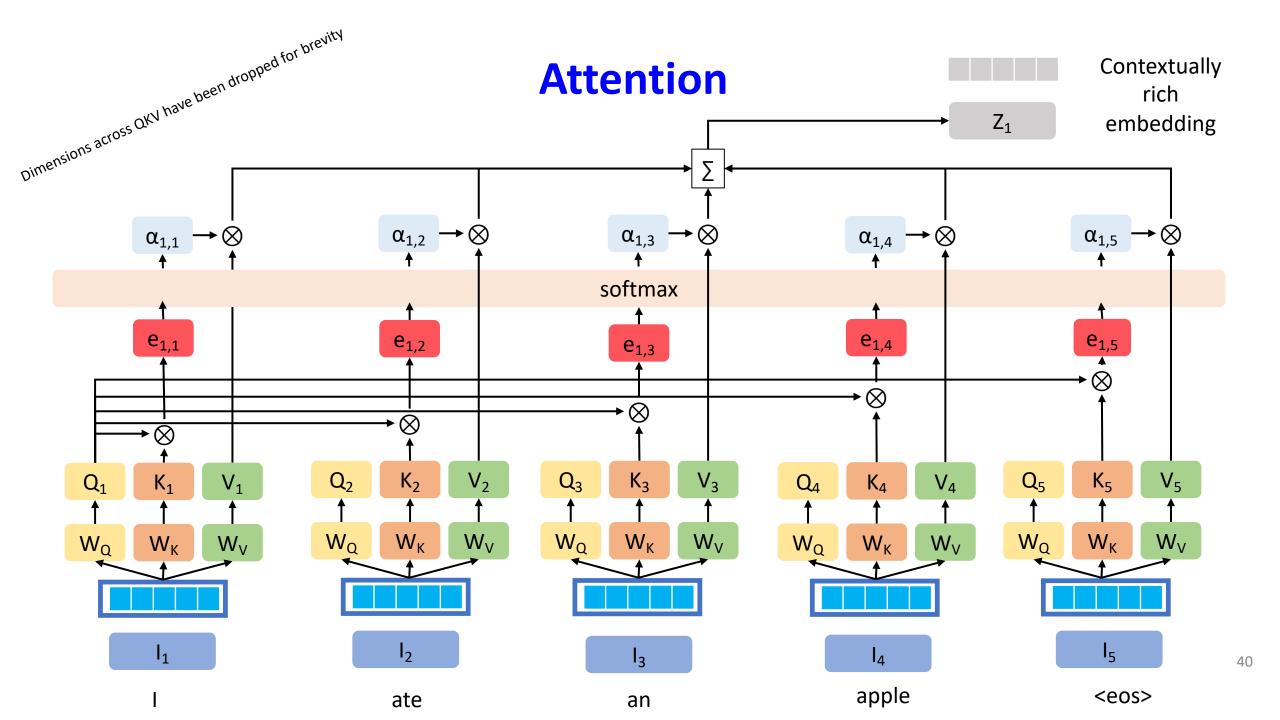
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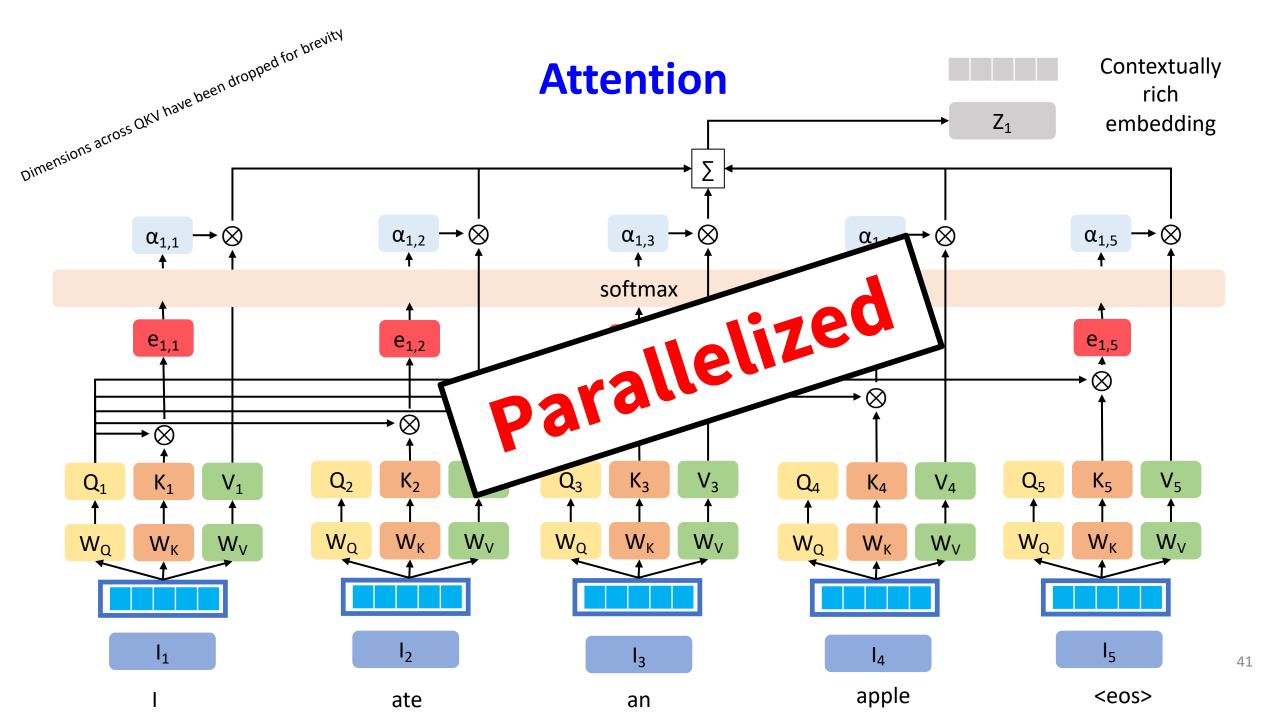


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Attention



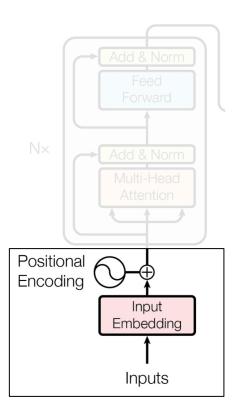




Poll 1 @1296

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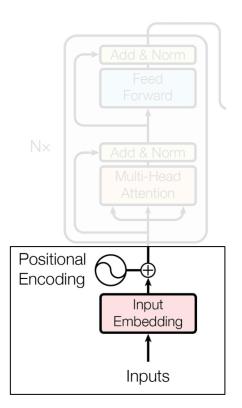
- a. To calculate attention weights for input I_2 , you would use key k_2 , and all queries
- b. To calculate attention weights for input I_2 , you would use query q_2 , and all keys
 - c. We scale the QK^T product to bring attention weights in the range of [0,1]
 - d. We scale the QK^T product to allow for numerical stability

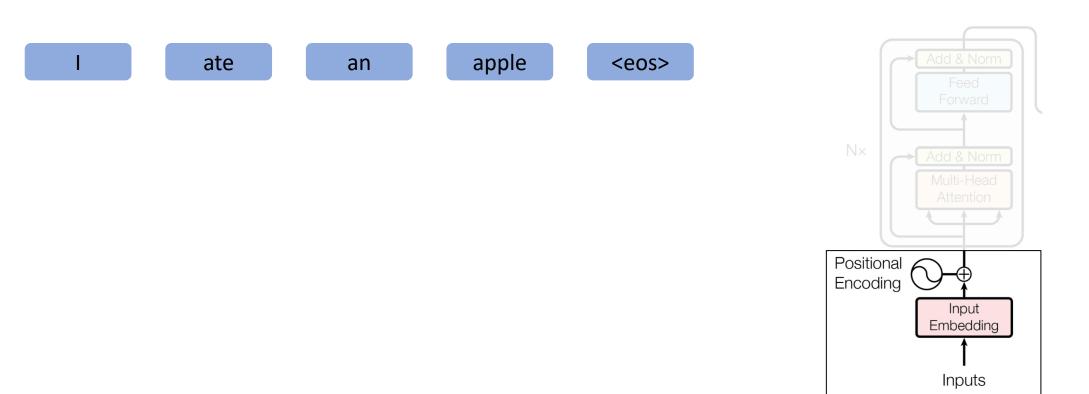


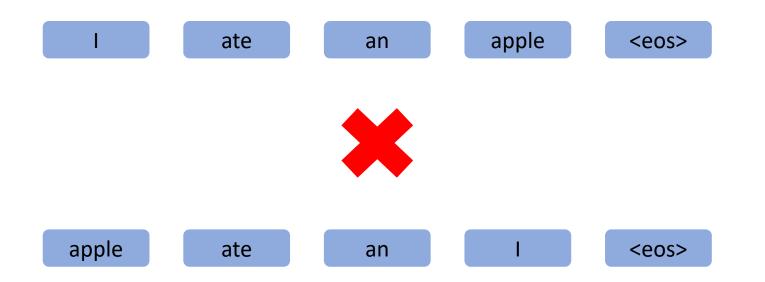
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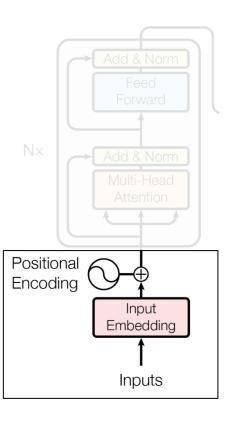
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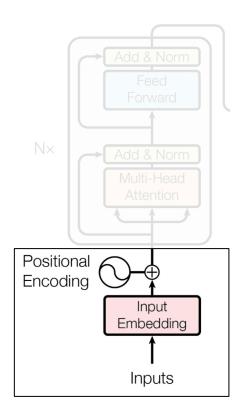






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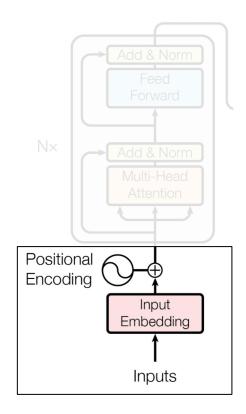
Possible Candidates:

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$$P_{t+1} = e^{P_{t_{\Delta}}C}$$

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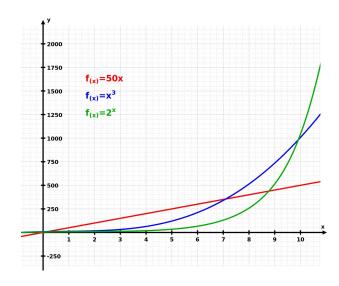
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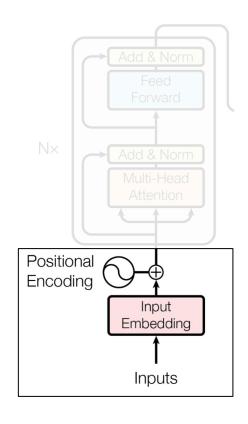
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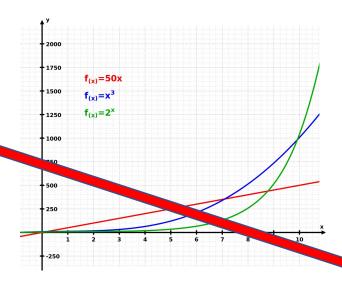
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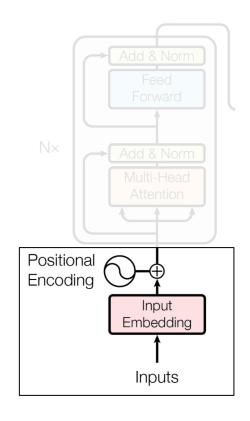
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$$P_{t+1} = P_t^{\cdot t\Delta c}$$



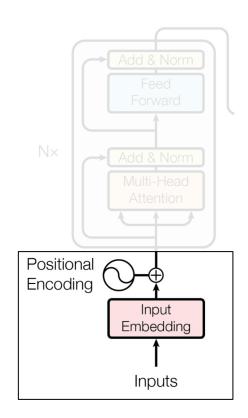


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$$P(t + t') = M^{t'} \times P(t)$$



Requirements for Positional Encodings

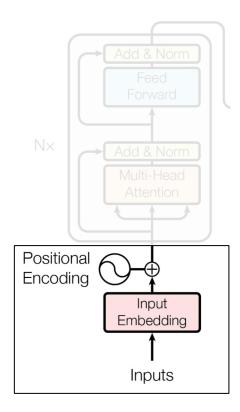
- Some representation of time ? (like seq2seq ?)
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- Bounded

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M?

- 1. Should be a unitary matrix
- 2. Magnitudes of eigen value should be 1 -> norm preserving



Requirements for Positional Encodings

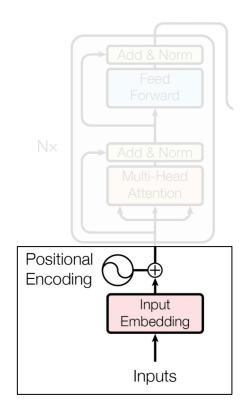
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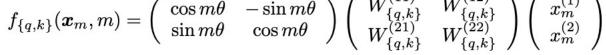
- 1. The matrix can be learnt
- 2. Produces unique rotated embeddings each time



Rotary Positional Embedding

ROFORMER: ENHANCED TRANSFORMER WITH ROTARY Position Embedding

$$f_{\{q,k\}}(\boldsymbol{x}_m,m) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos m\theta & -\sin m\theta \\ \sin m\theta & \cos m\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_{\{q,k\}}^{(11)} & W_{\{q,k\}}^{(12)} \\ W_{\{q,k\}}^{(21)} & W_{\{q,k\}}^{(22)} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_m^{(1)} \\ x_m^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$



MRPC SST-2 STS-B MNLI(m/mm) Model **QNLI** QQP BERTDevlin et al. [2019] 88.9 85.8 71.2 93.5 90.5 84.6/83.4 90.7 RoFormer 89.5 88.0 87.0 86.4 80.2/79.8

Table 2: Comparing RoFormer and BERT by fine tuning on downstream GLEU tasks.

Positional Encoding Input Embeddina Inputs

REF: Rotary Positional Embeddings

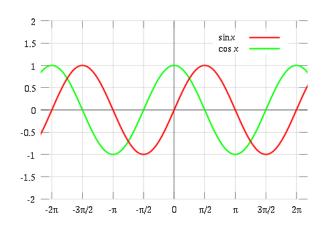
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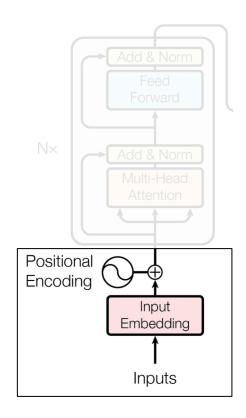
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Actual Candidates:

sine(**g(t)**)

cosine(g(t))





Requirements for g(t)

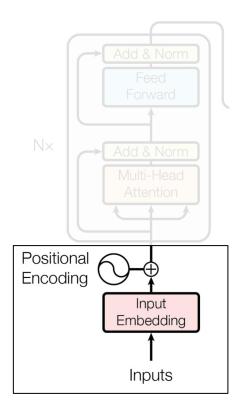
- Must have same dimensions as input embeddings
- Must produce overall unique encodings

pos -> idx of the token in input sentence

-> ith dimension out of d

$$PE_{(pos,2i)} = sin(pos/10000^{2i/d_{model}}) \ PE_{(pos,2i+1)} = cos(pos/10000^{2i/d_{model}})$$

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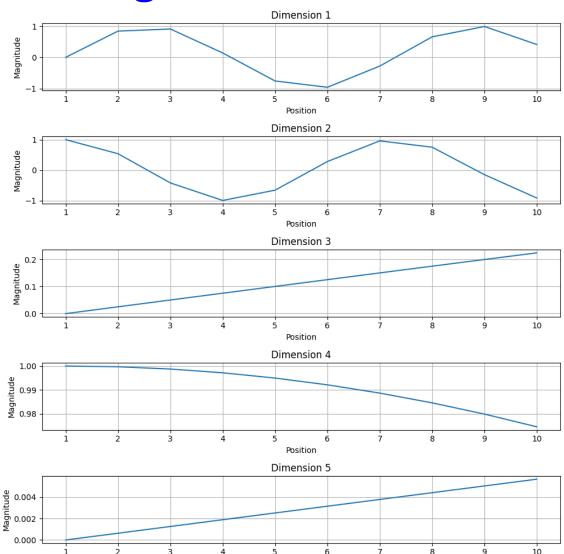
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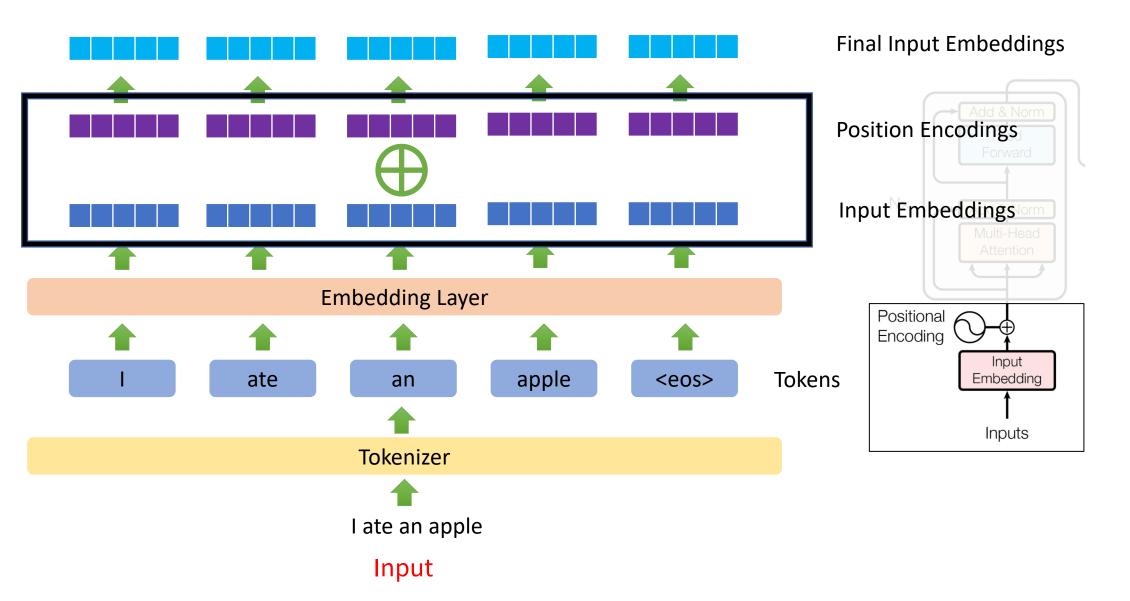
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i -> ith dimension out of d

Positional Encoding:



Position

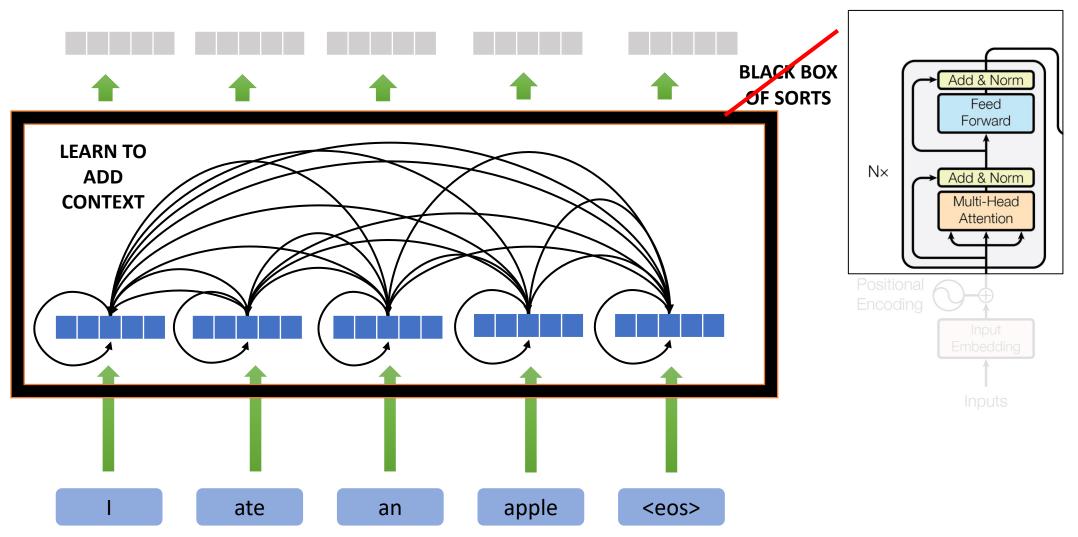


Encoder

 $\alpha_{[ij]}$

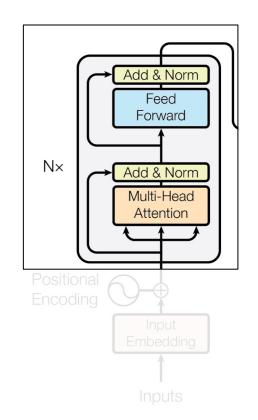
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CONTEXTUALLY RICH EMBEDDINGS

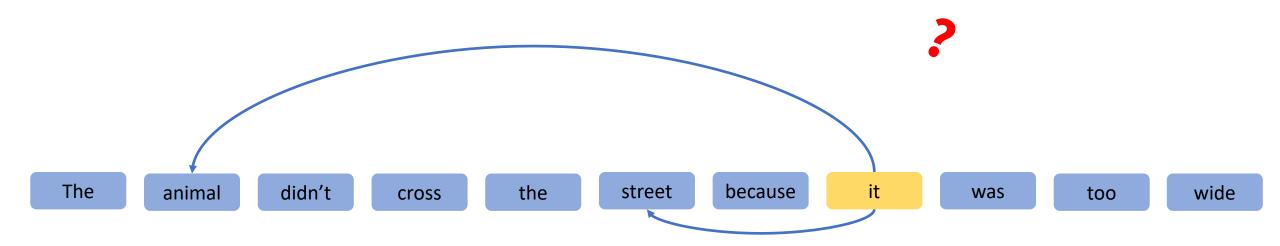


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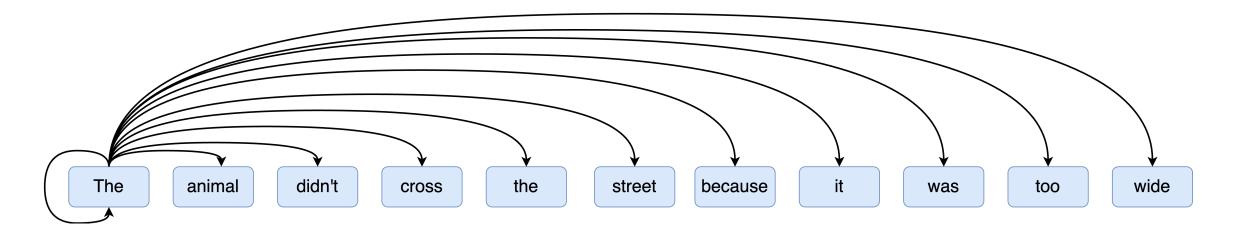
Attention
$$(Q, K, V) = \text{softmax}(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}})V$$

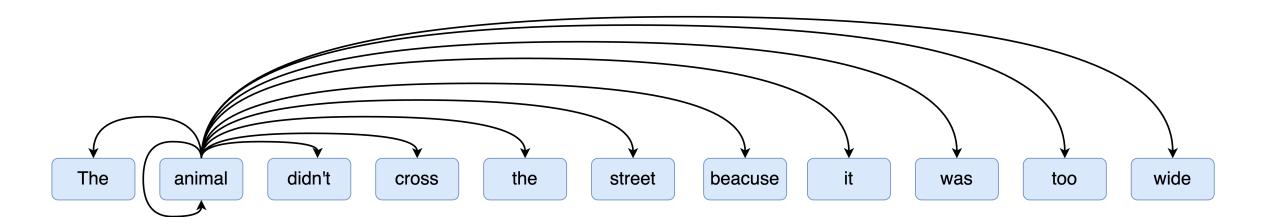


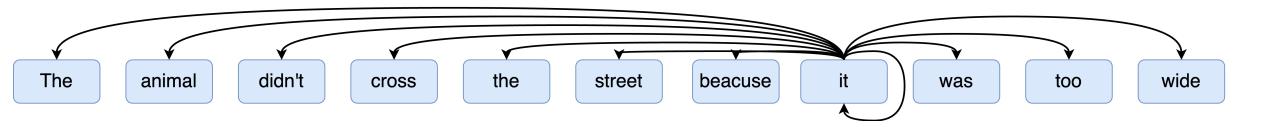
The animal didn't cross the street because it was too wide

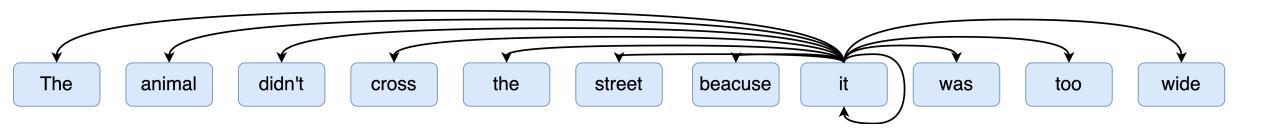


coreference resolution?



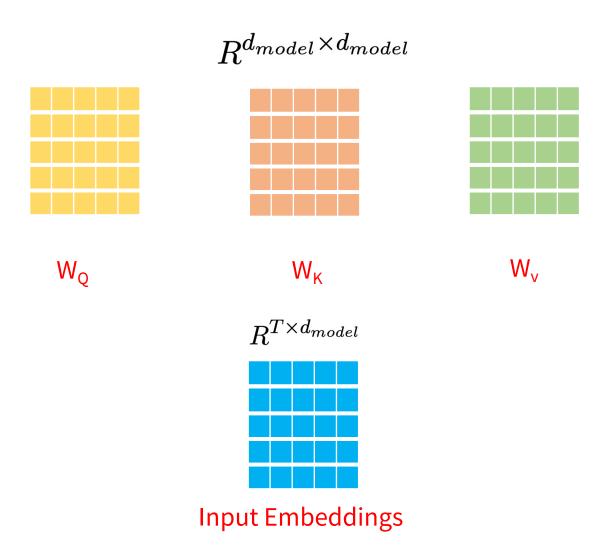


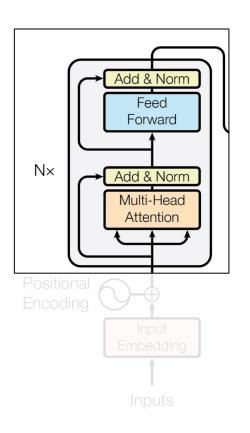


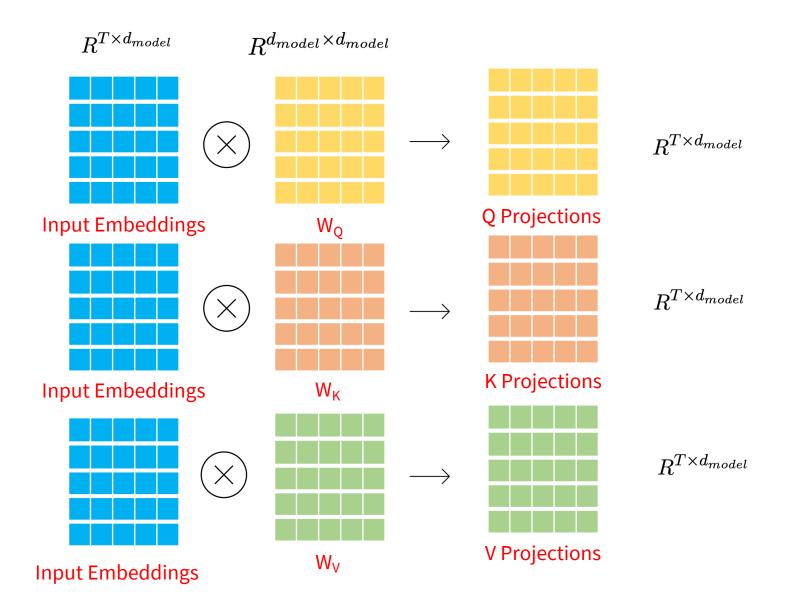


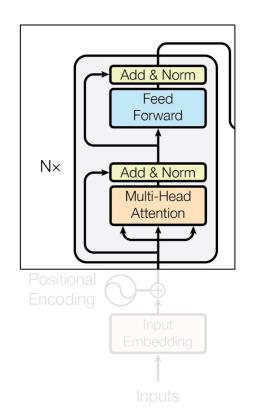
SELF

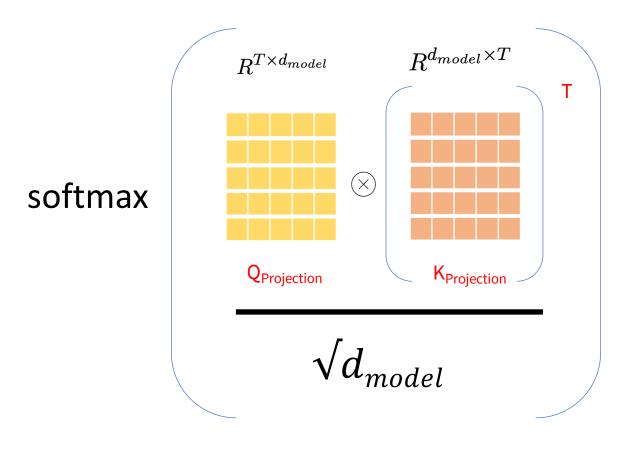
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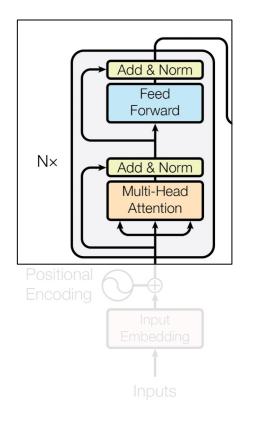


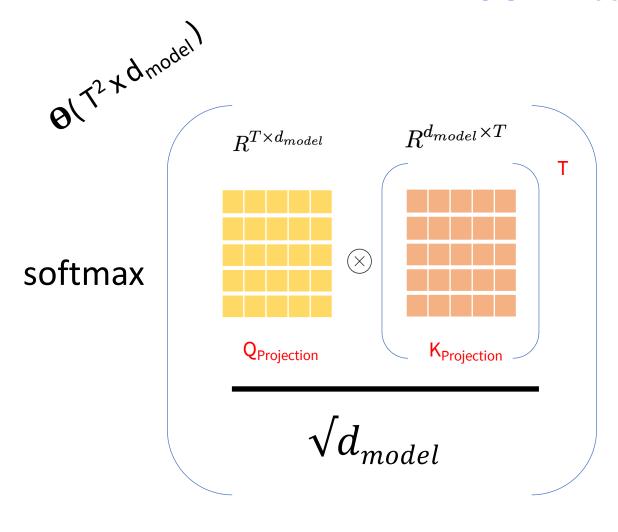


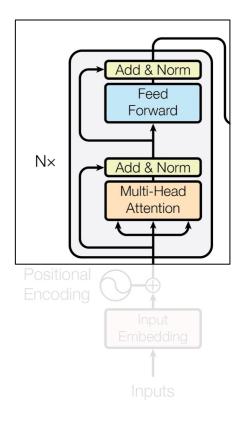


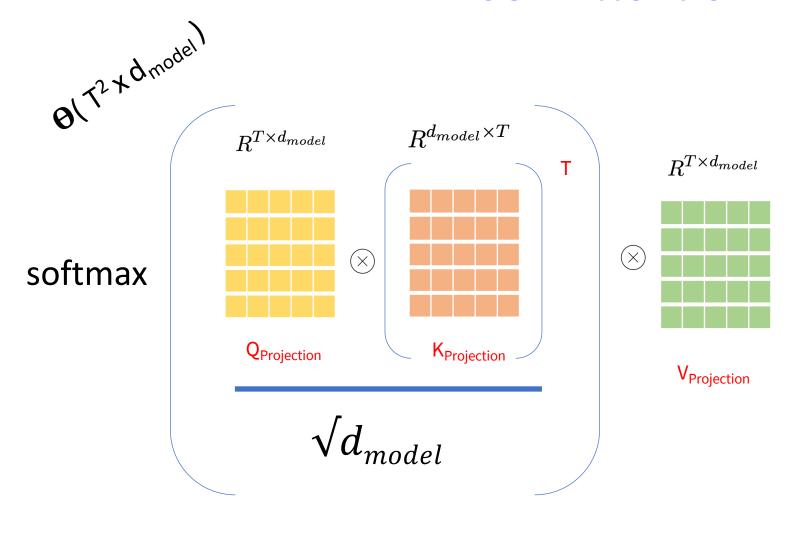


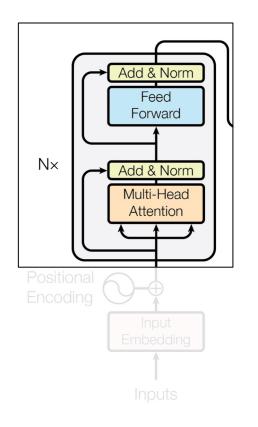


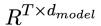


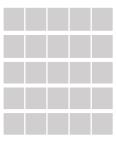




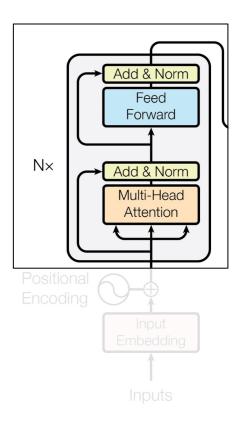


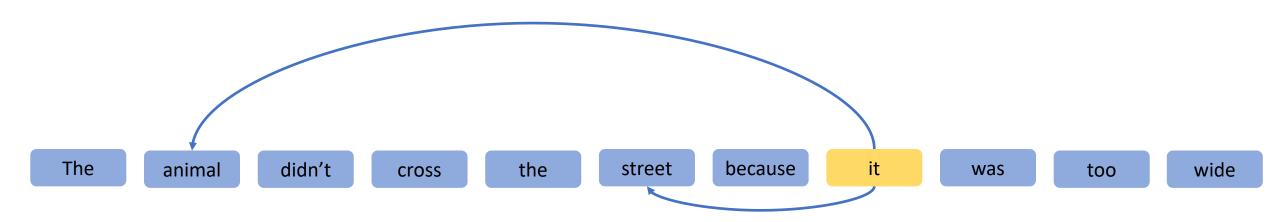






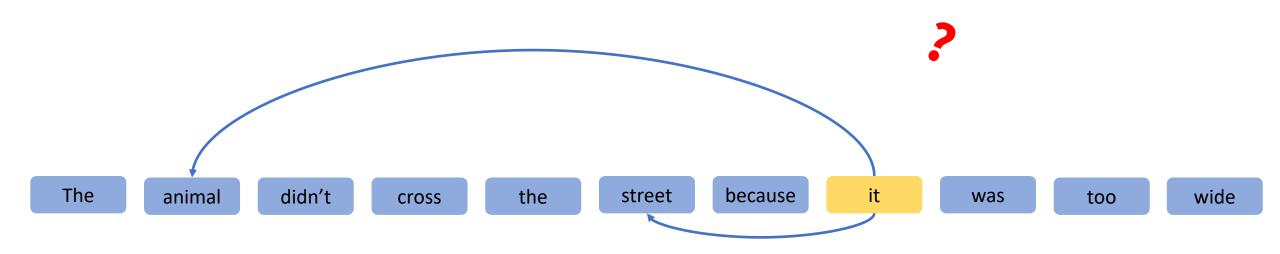
Attention: Z







Self Attention



Sentence boundaries?

coreference resolution



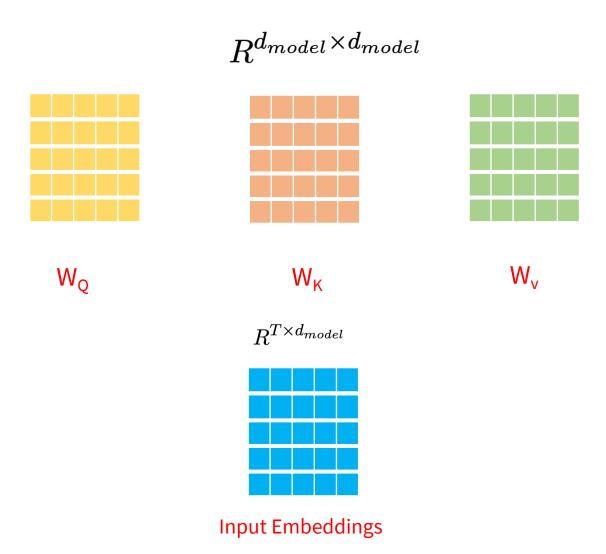
Context?

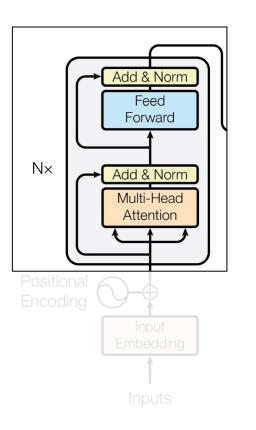
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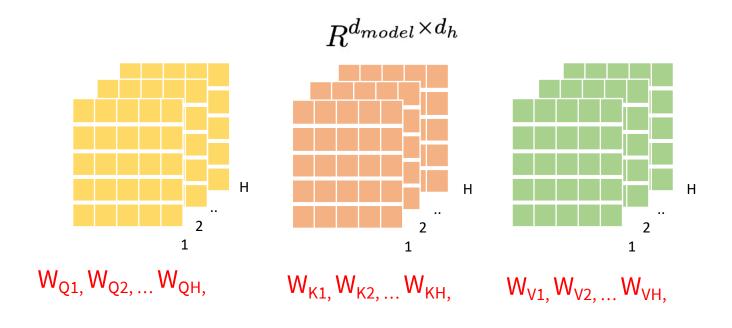
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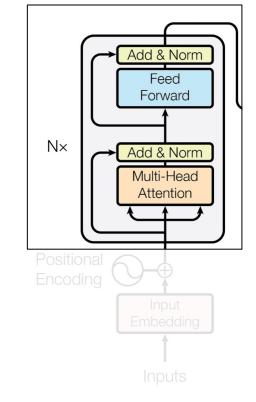
Comparisons?

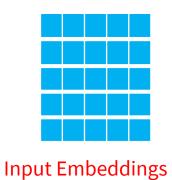
Self Attention



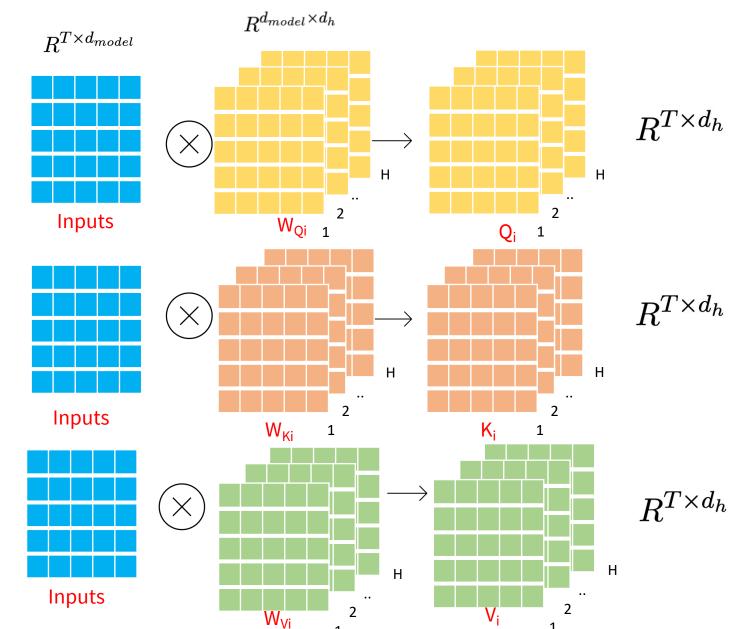


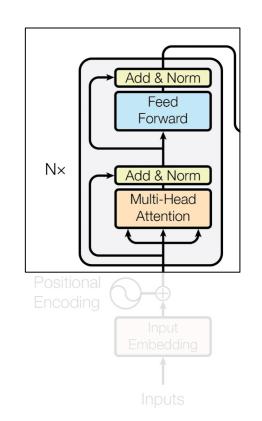


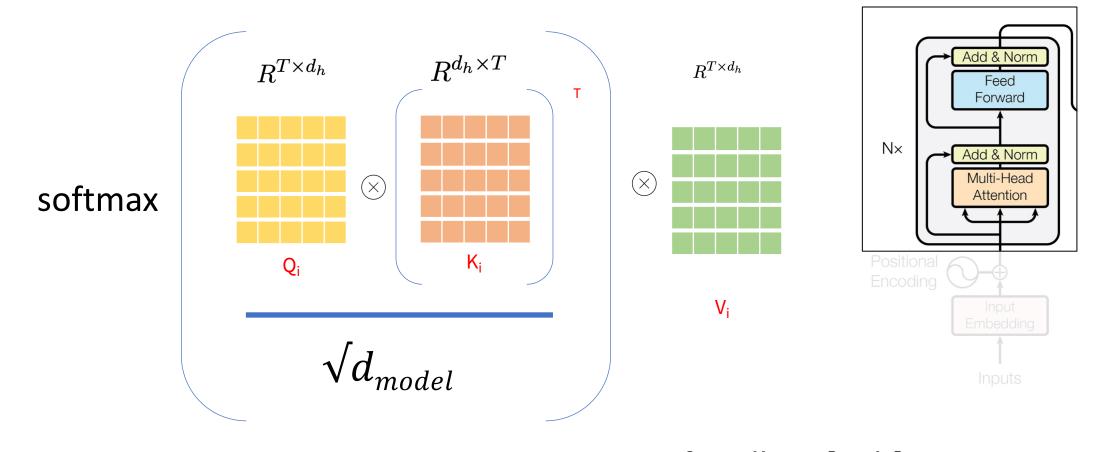




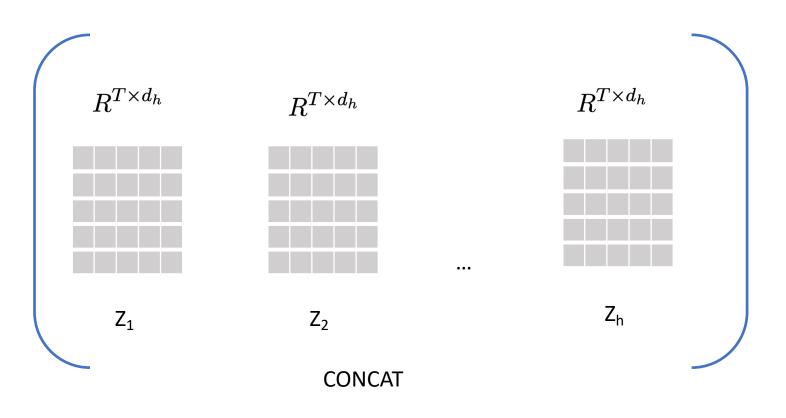
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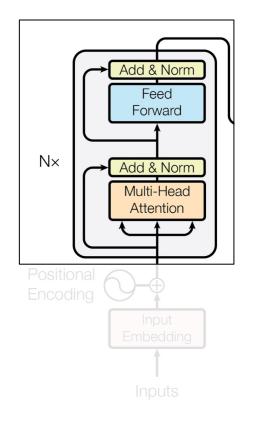






for all $i \in [1, h]$

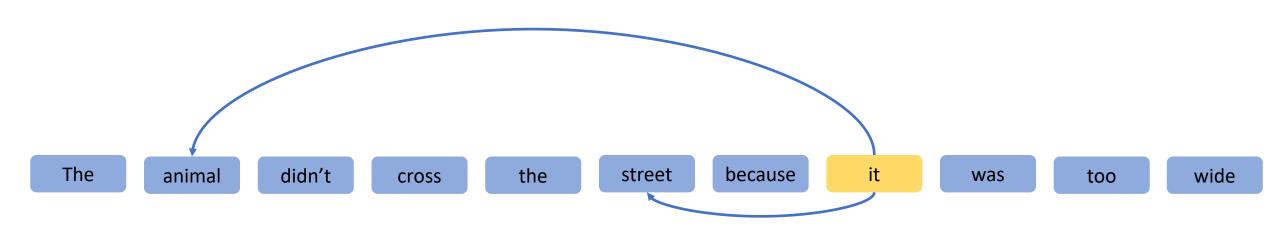


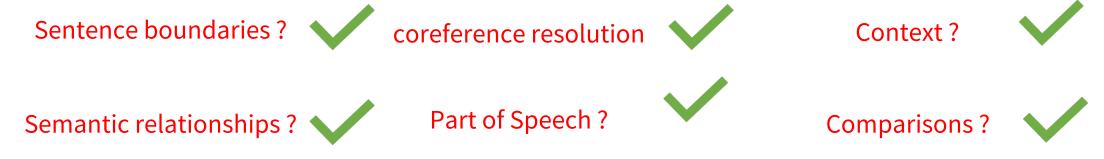


Multi Head Attention : Z

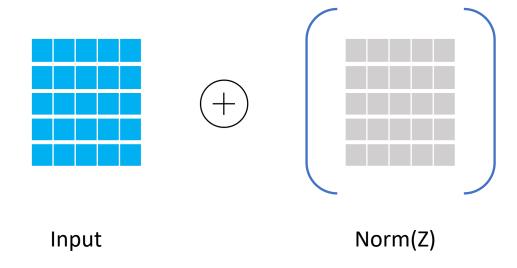
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$$R^{T \times d_{model}}$$





Add & Norm

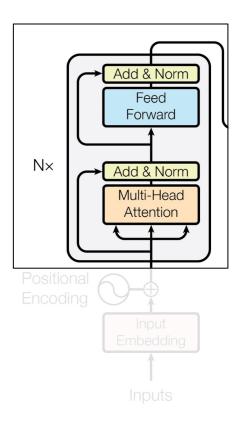


Normalization(Z)

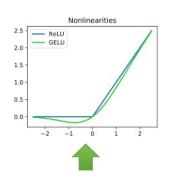
- Mean 0, Std dev 1
- Stabilizes training
- Regularization effect

Add -> Residuals

- Avoid vanishing gradients
- Train deeper networks

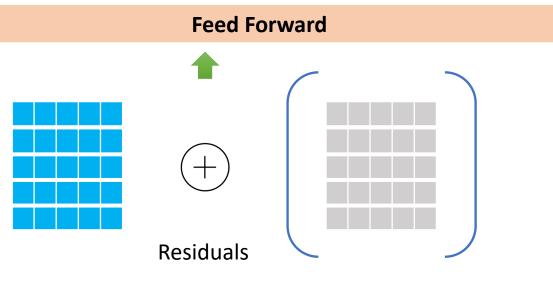


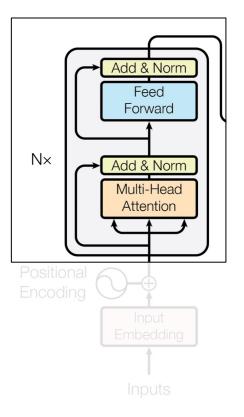
Feed Forward



Feed Forward

- Non Linearity
- Complex Relationships
- Learn from each other



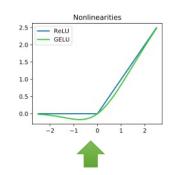


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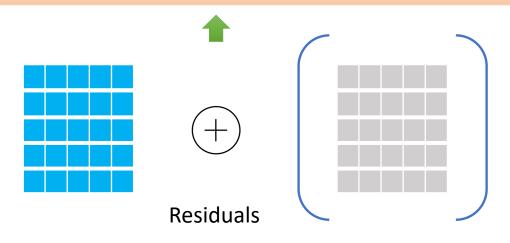
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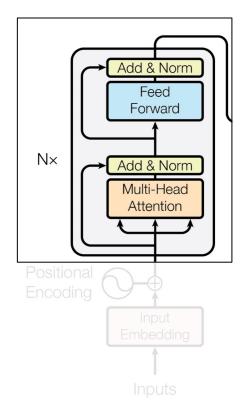
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Feed Forward



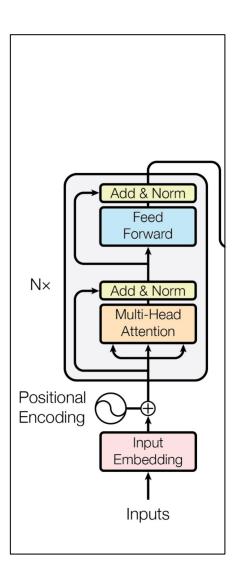


Input Norm(Z)

Encoders

Encoder

ENCODER



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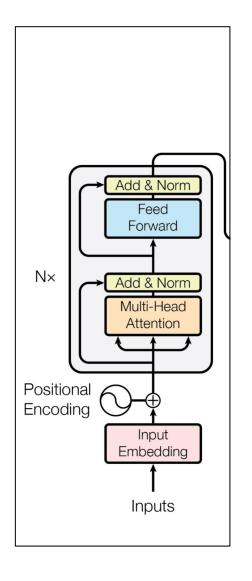
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ENCODER

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Input to Encoder_{i+1}

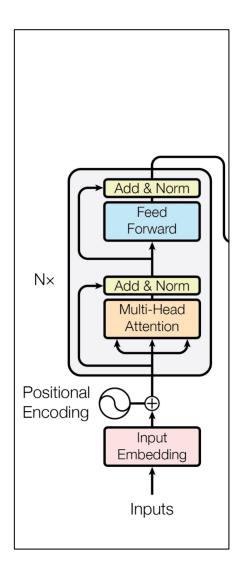
Output from Encoder_i



Transformers

- ✓ Tokenizaton
- ✓ Input Embeddings
- **✓ Position Encodings**
- ✓ Residuals
- ✓ Query
- ✓ Key
- ✓ Value
- ✓ Add & Norm
- ✓ Encoder
- Decoder

- ✓ Attention
- ✓ Self Attention
- ✓ Multi Head Attention
- Masked Attention
- Encoder Decoder Attention
- Output Probabilities / Logits
- Softmax
- Encoder-Decoder models
- Decoder only models



Machine Translation

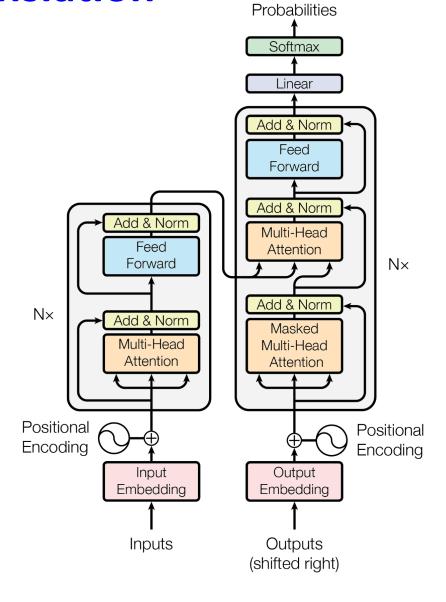
Targets

Ich have einen apfel gegessen



Inputs

I ate an apple

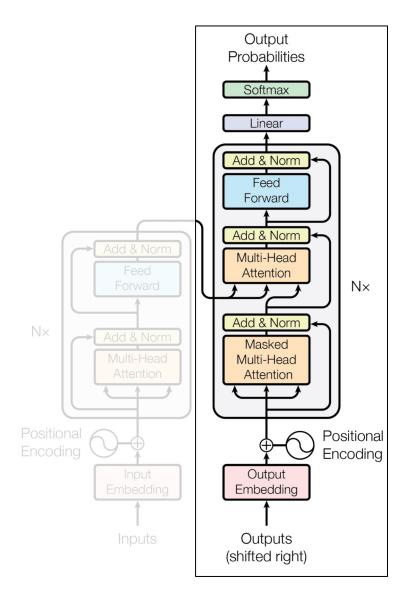


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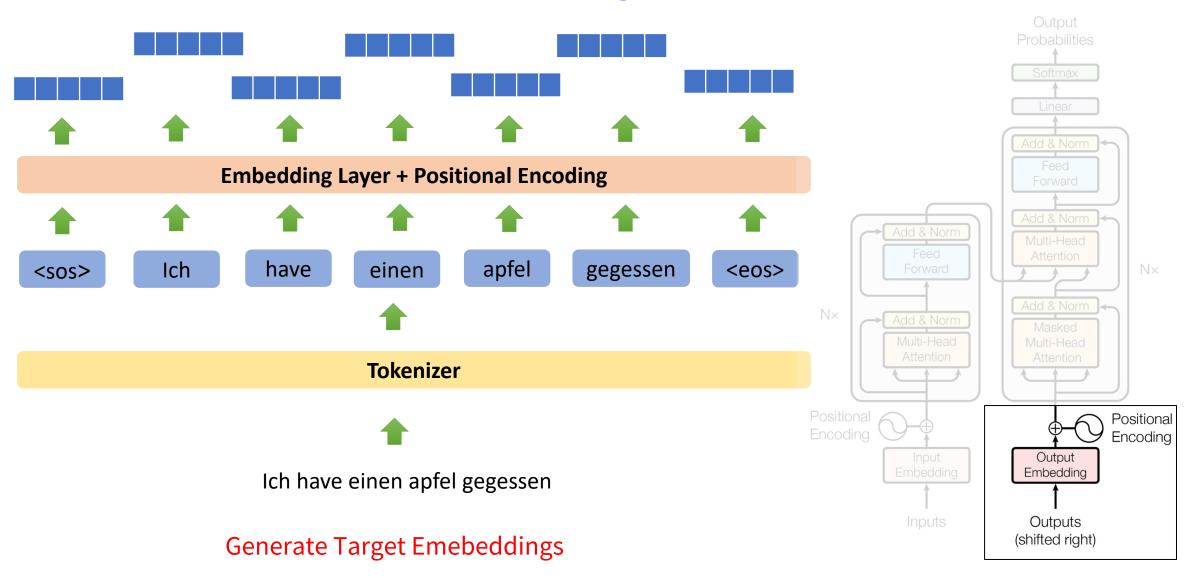
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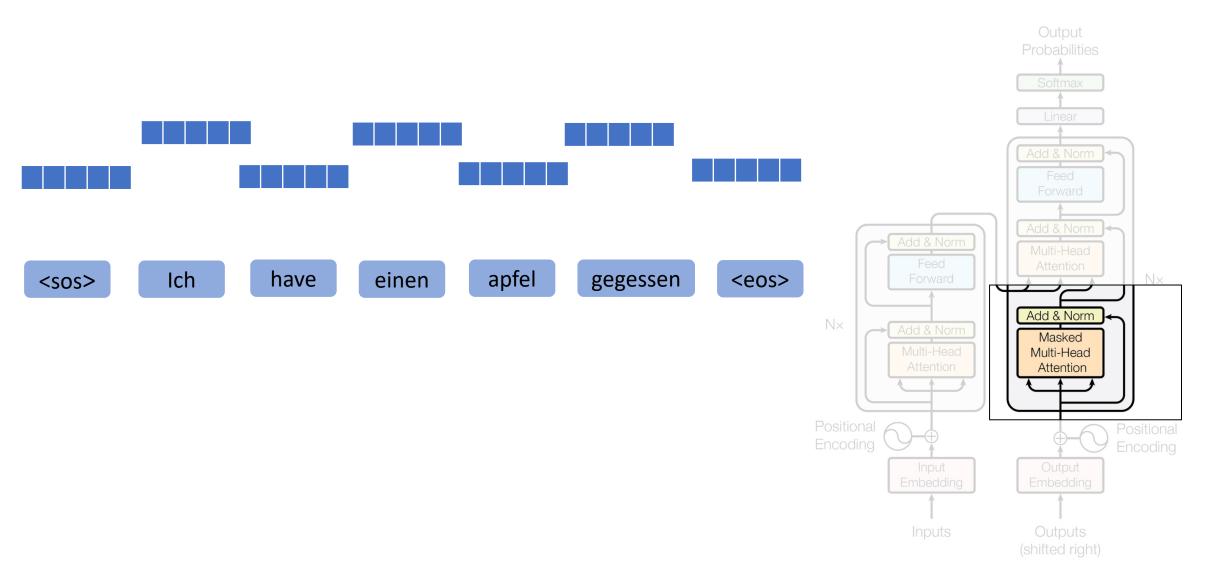
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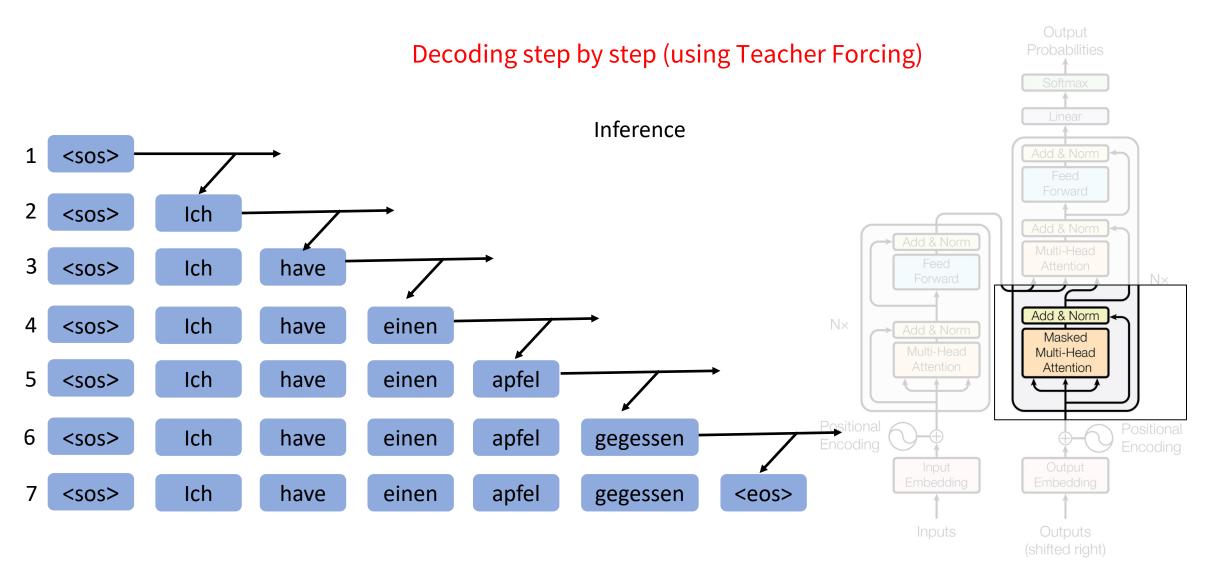
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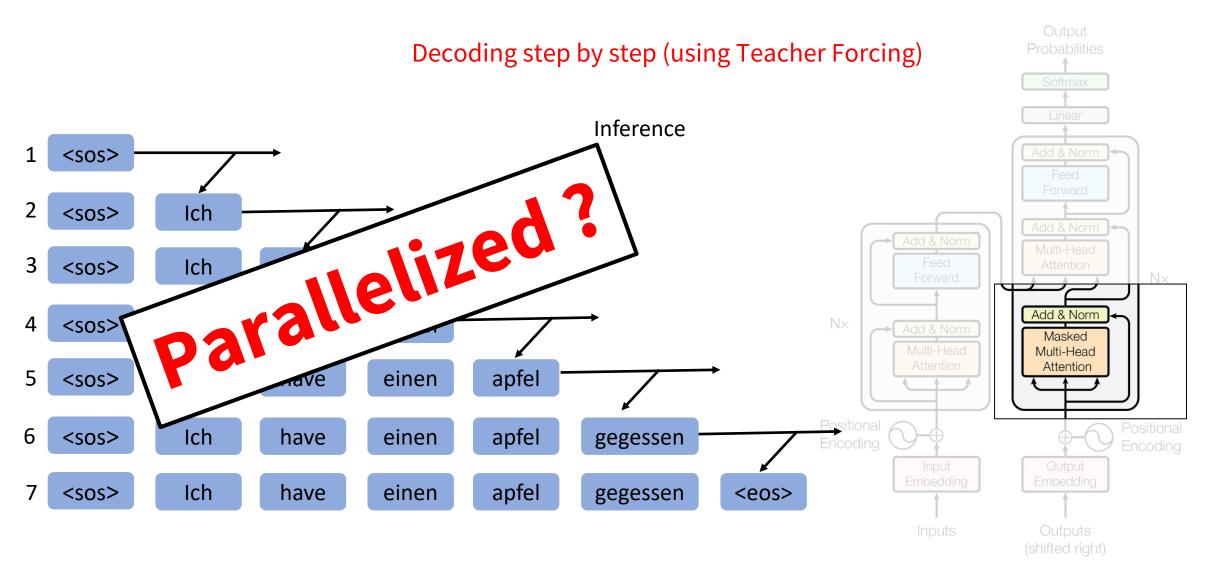


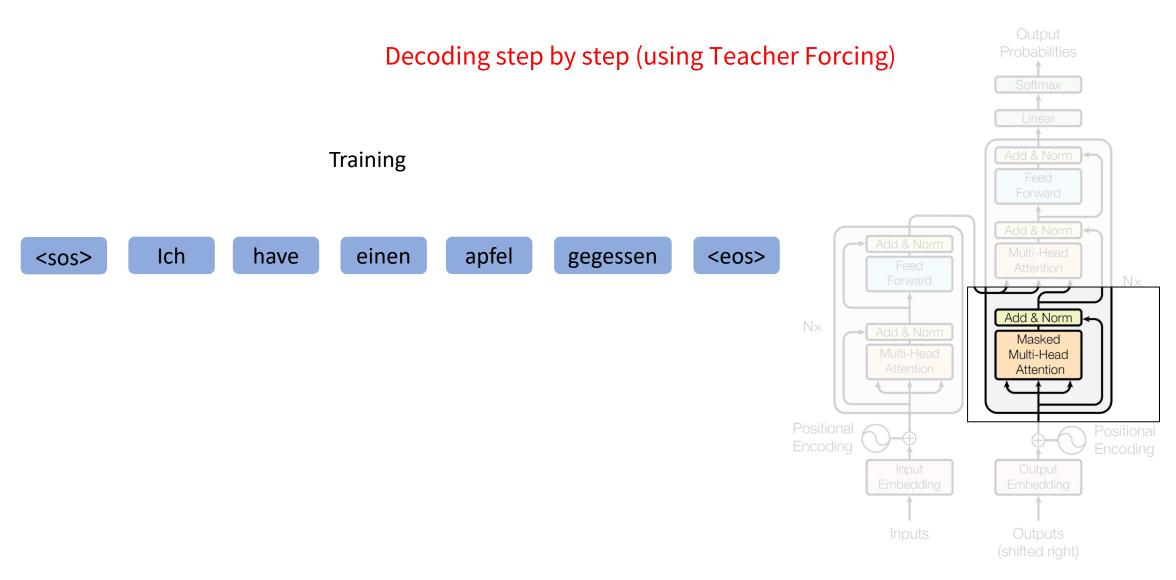
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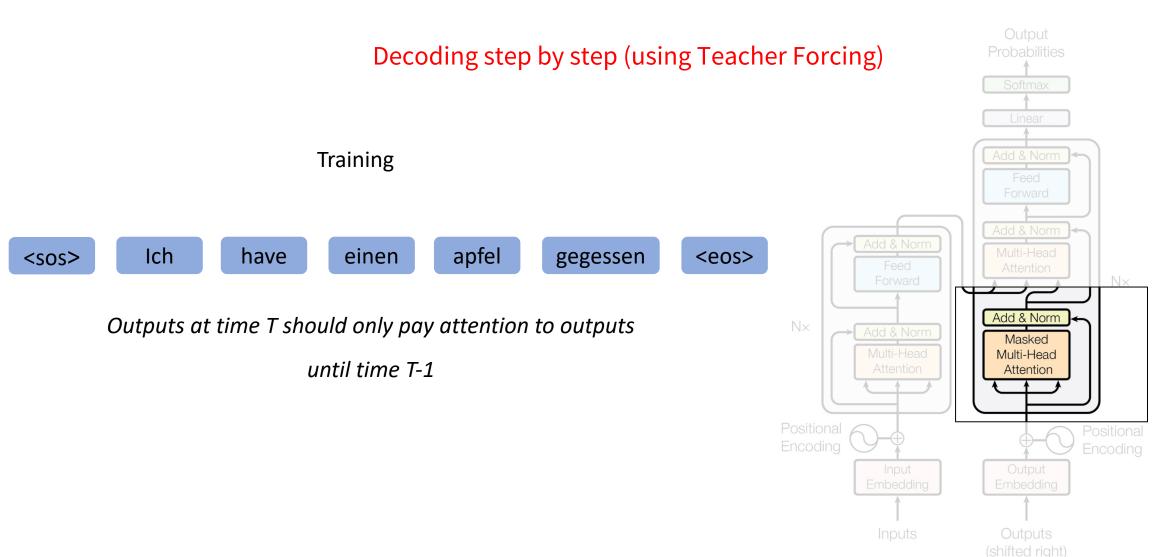


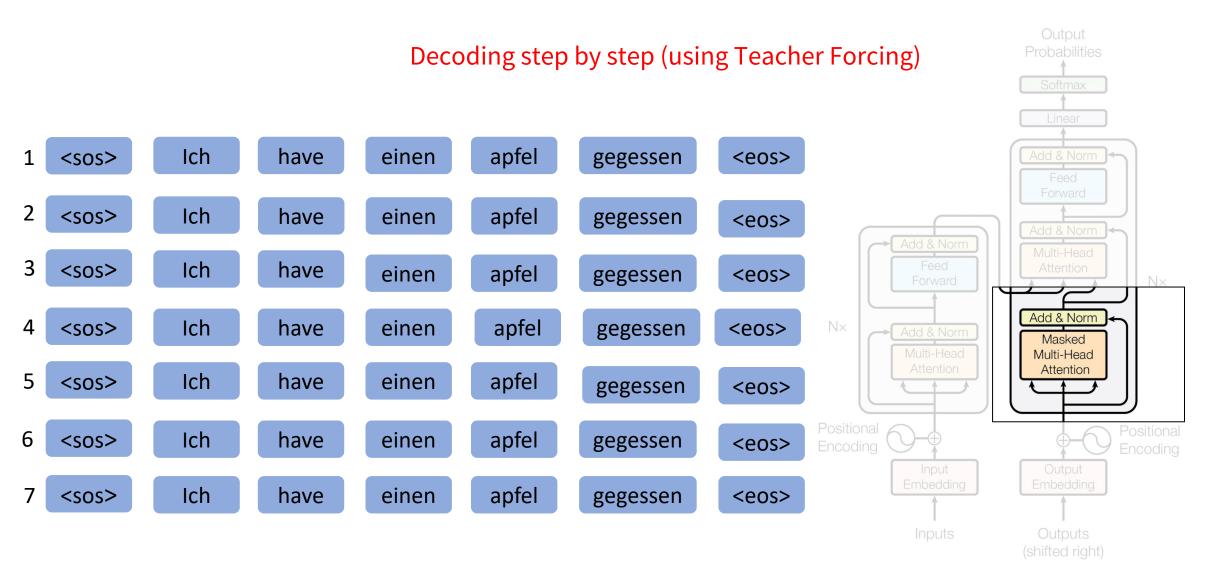


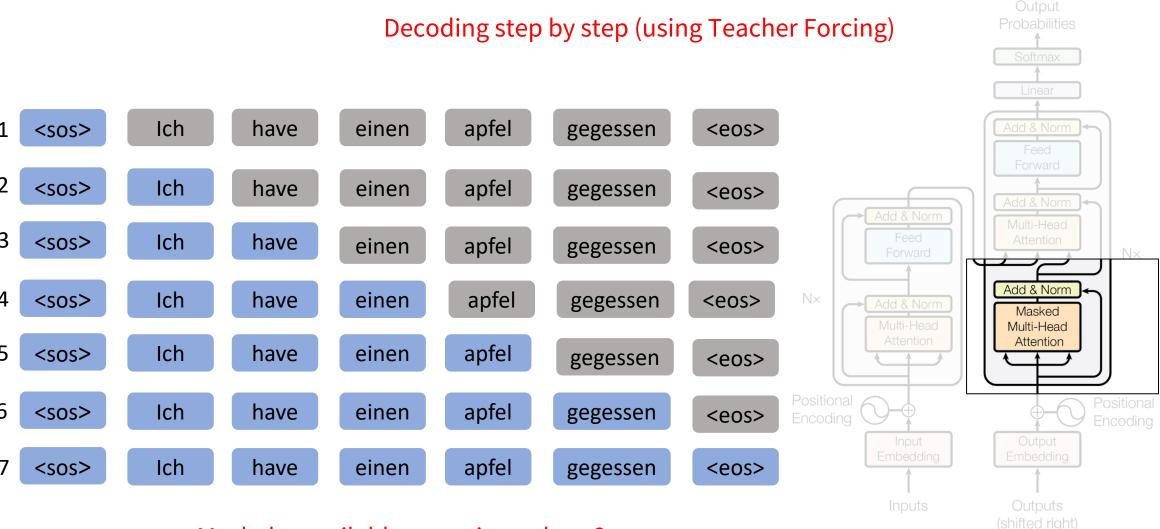




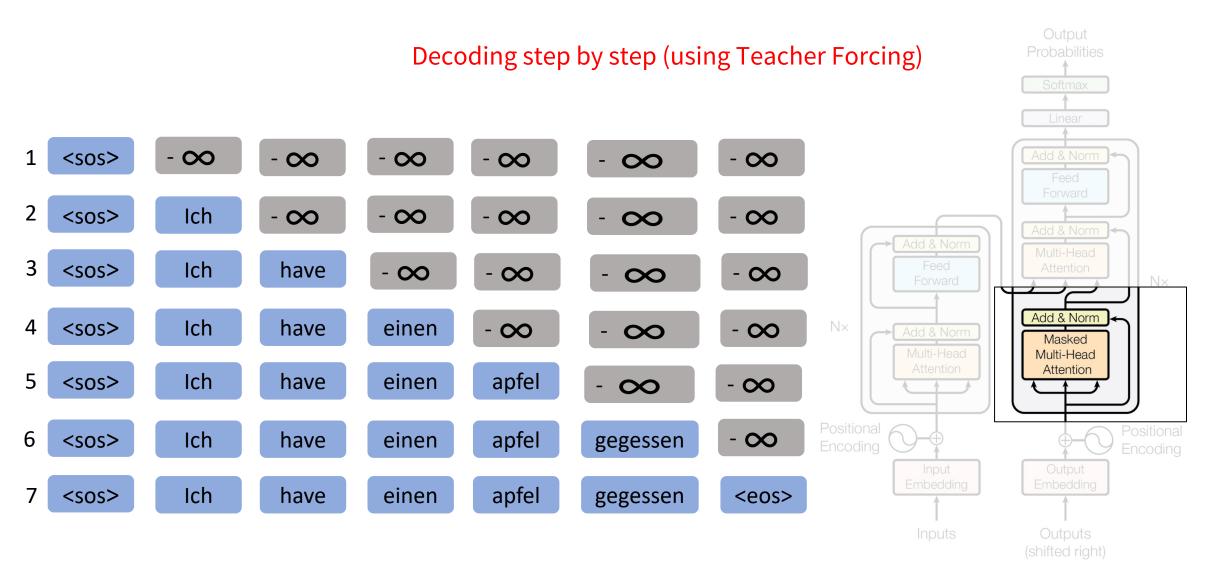


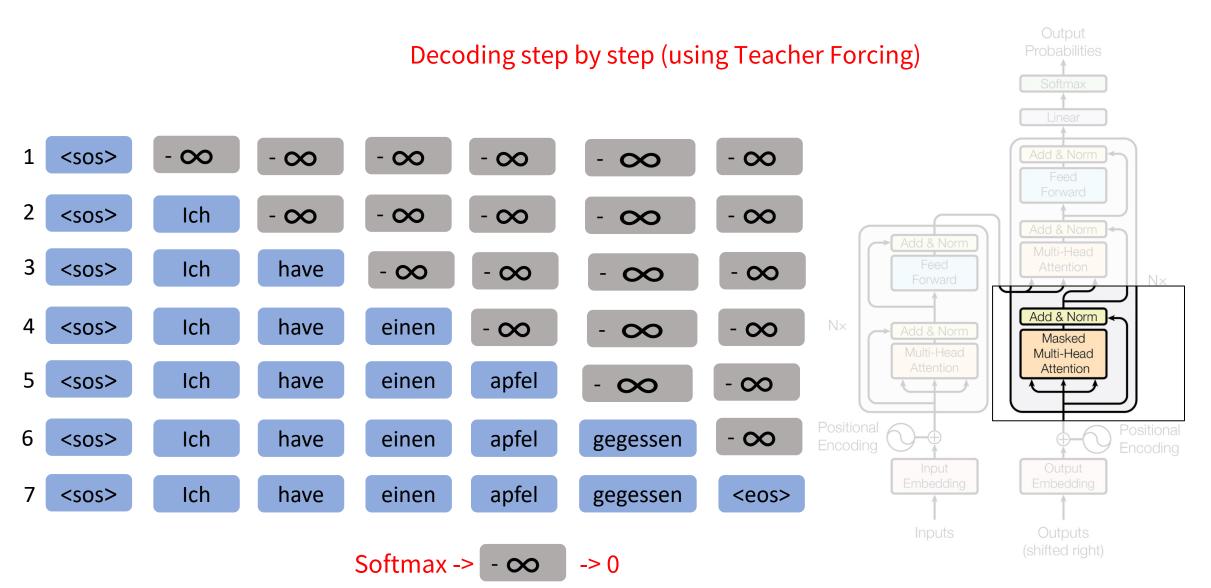


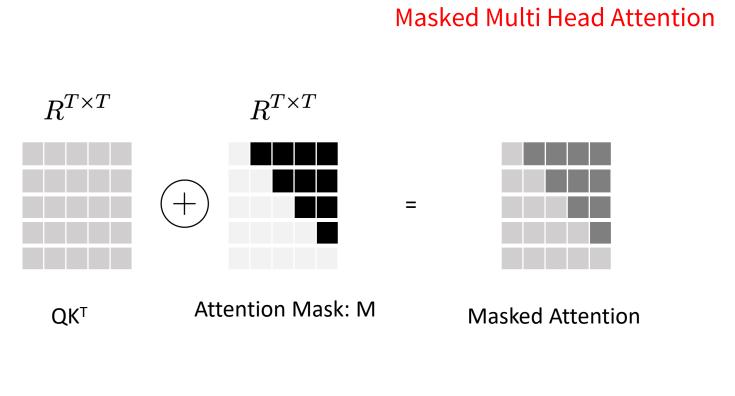


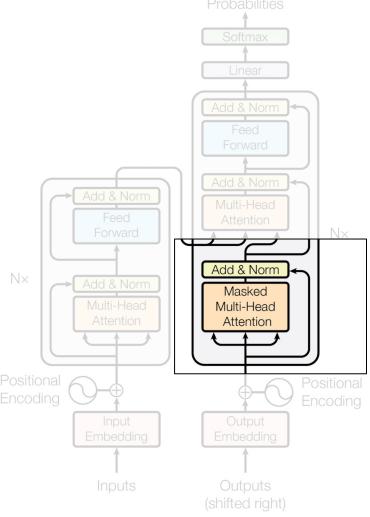


Mask the available attention values?

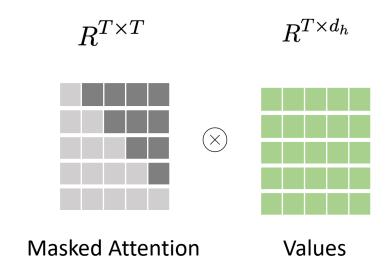


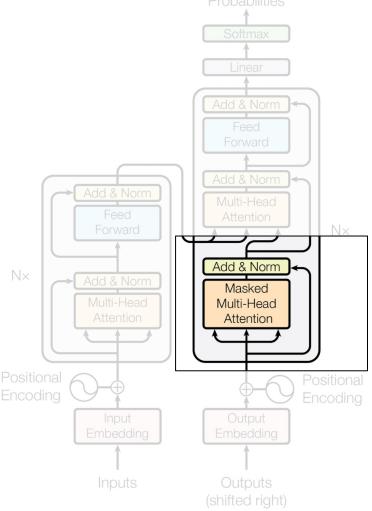




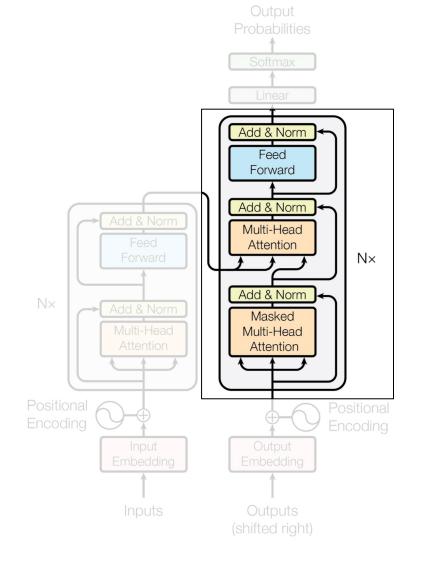




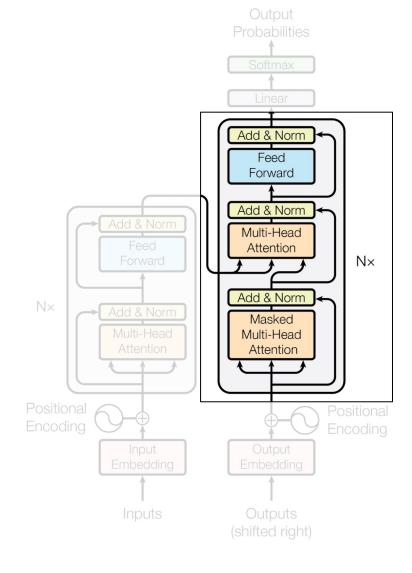




Encoder Decoder Attention ? Add & Norm



Encoder Decoder Attention?

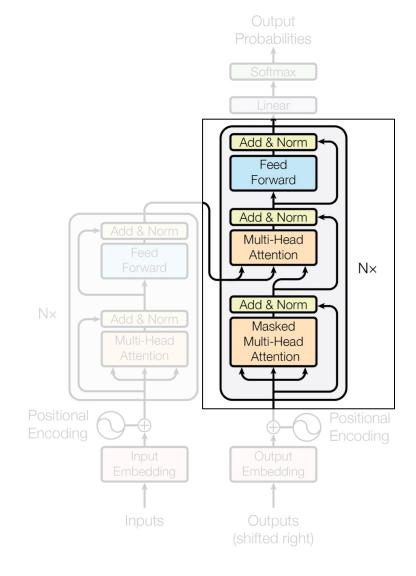


Encoder Self Attention

- 1. Queries from Encoder Inputs
- 2. Keys from Encoder Inputs
- 3. Values from Encoder Inputs

Decoder Masked Self Attention

- 1. Queries from Decoder Inputs
- 2. Keys from Decoder Inputs
- 3. Values from Decoder Inputs



Attention

{Key, Value store}

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{Query: "Order details of order_104"}
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{Query: "Order details of order_106"}

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{"order_100": {"items":"a1", "delivery_date":"a2", ...}},
{"order_101": {"items":"b1", "delivery_date":"b2", ...}},
{"order_102": {"items":"c1", "delivery_date":"c2", ...}},
{"order_103": {"items":"d1", "delivery_date":"d2", ...}},
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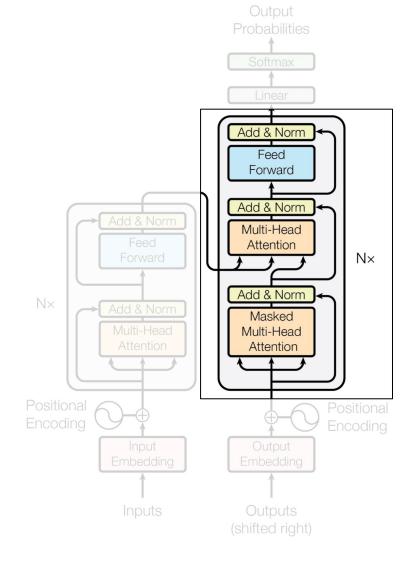
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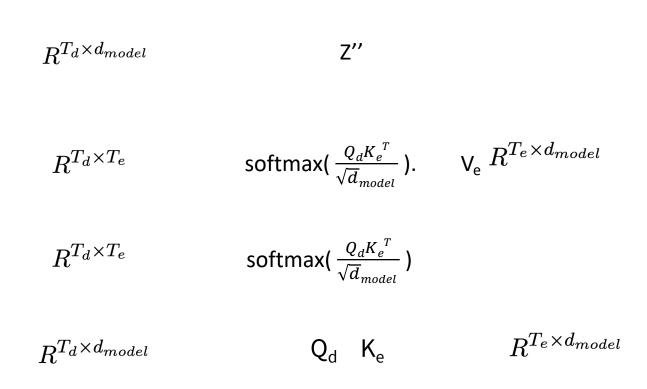
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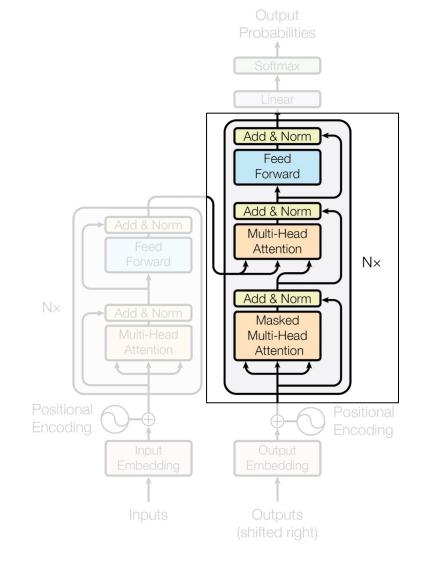
Keys from **Encoder Outputs**Values from **Encoder Outputs**

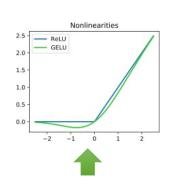
Queries from **Decoder Inputs**

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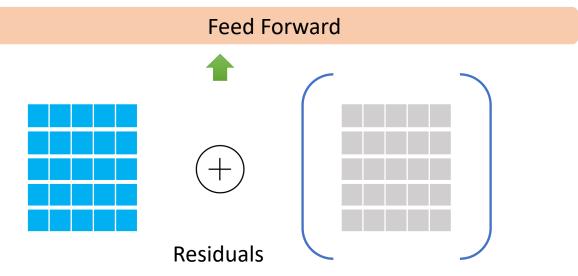


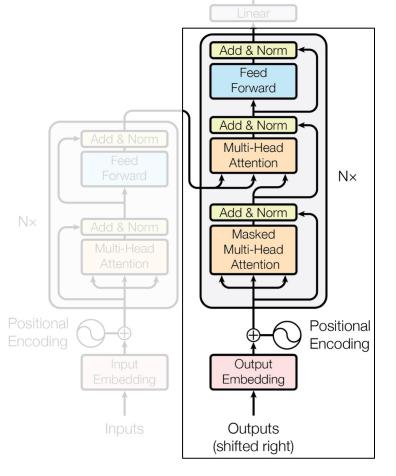






- Non Linearity
- Complex Relationships
- Learn from each other



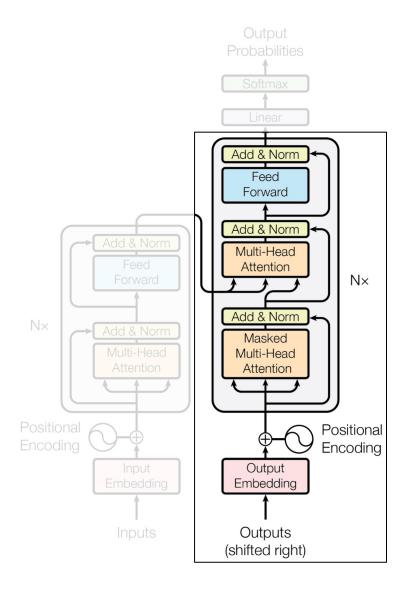


Add n Norm Decoder Self Attn

Norm(Z")

Decoder

DECODER



Decoder

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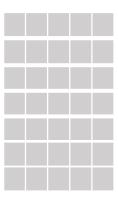
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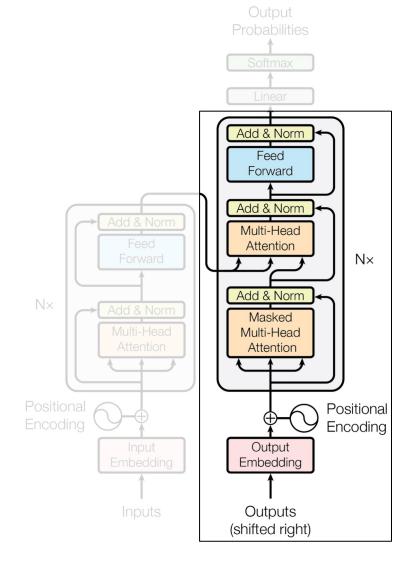
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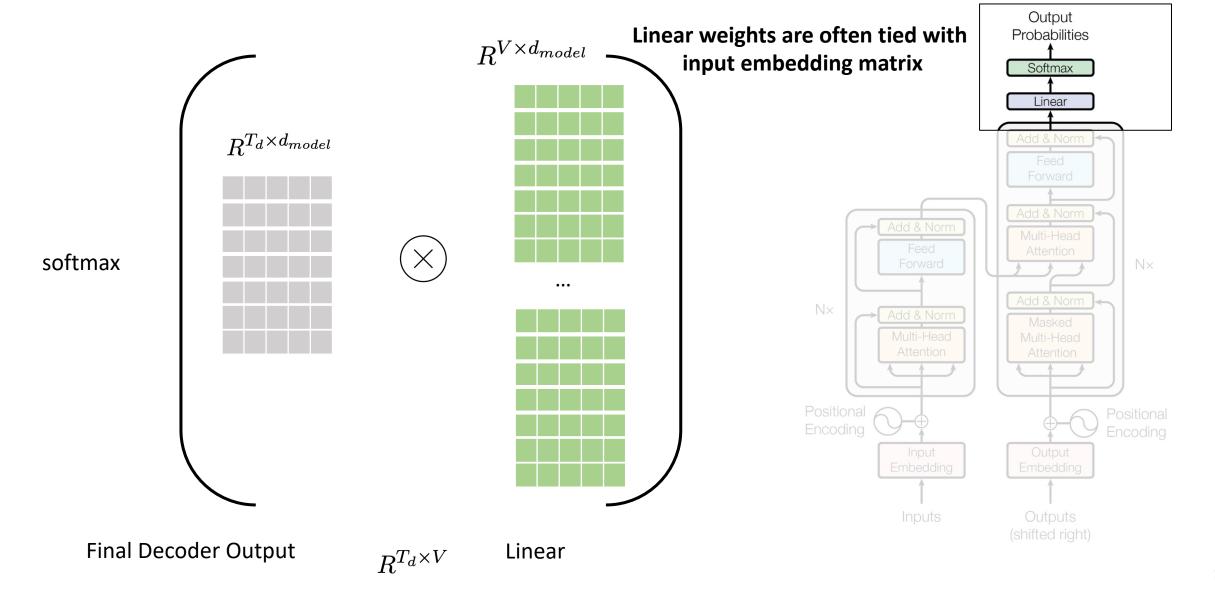
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Decoder output

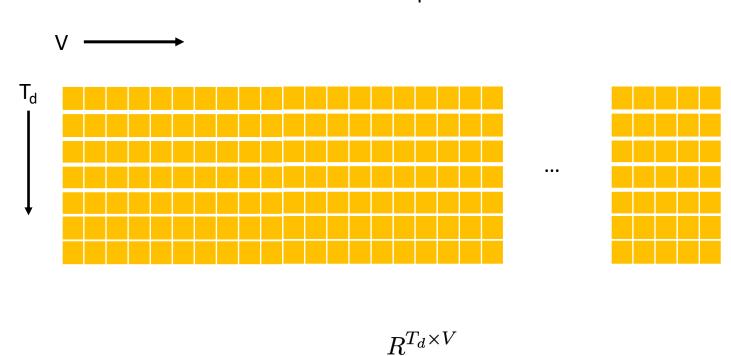


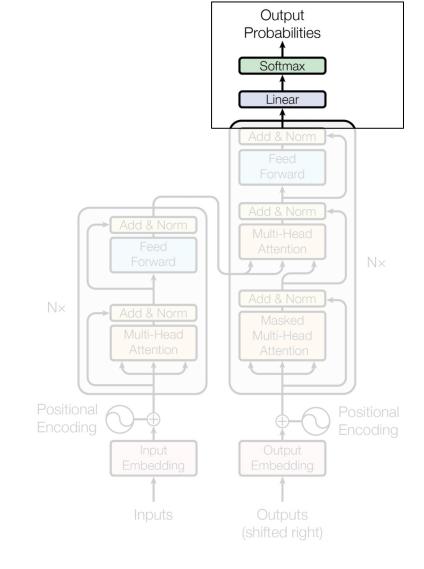
Linear



Softmax

Output Probabilities





Poll 2 (@1297)

Which of the following are true about transformers?

- a. Transformers can always be run in parallel
- b. Transformer decoders can only be parallelized during training
- c. Positional encodings help parallelize the transformer encoder
- d. Queries, keys, and values are obtained by splitting the input into 3 equal segments
- e. Multiheaded attention helps transformers find different kinds of relations between the tokens
- f. During decoding, decoder outputs function as queries and keys while the values come from the encoder

Poll 2 (@1126)

Which of the following are true about transformers?

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- e. Multiheaded attention helps transformers find different kinds of relations between the tokens
- f. During decoding, decoder outputs function as queries and keys while the values come from the encoder

Transformers

Targets

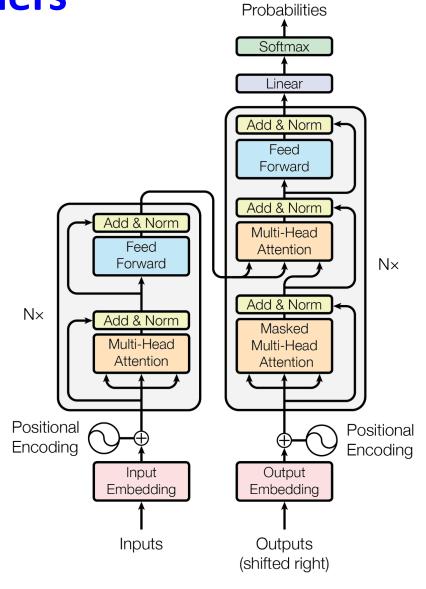
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Inputs

I ate an apple

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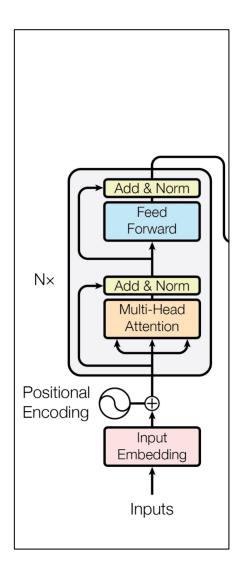


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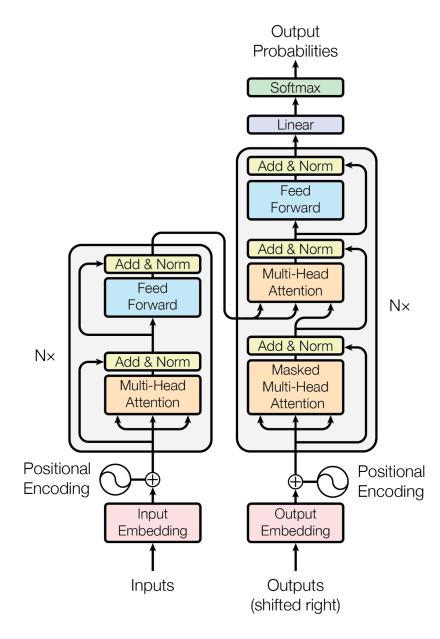
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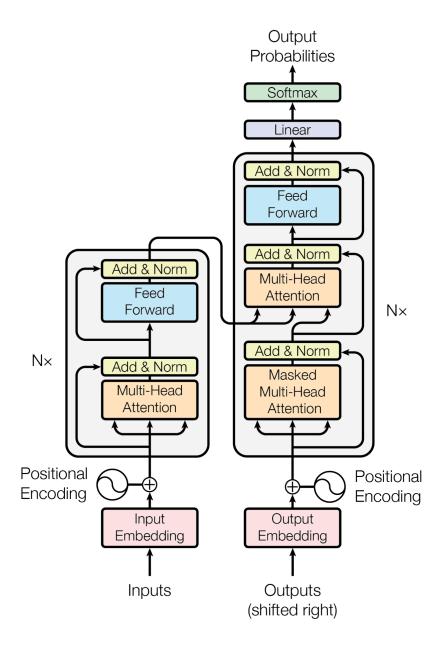
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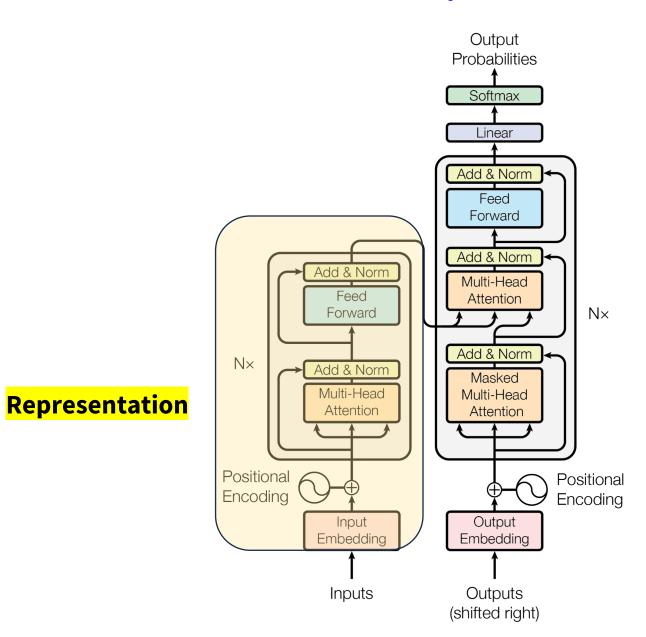


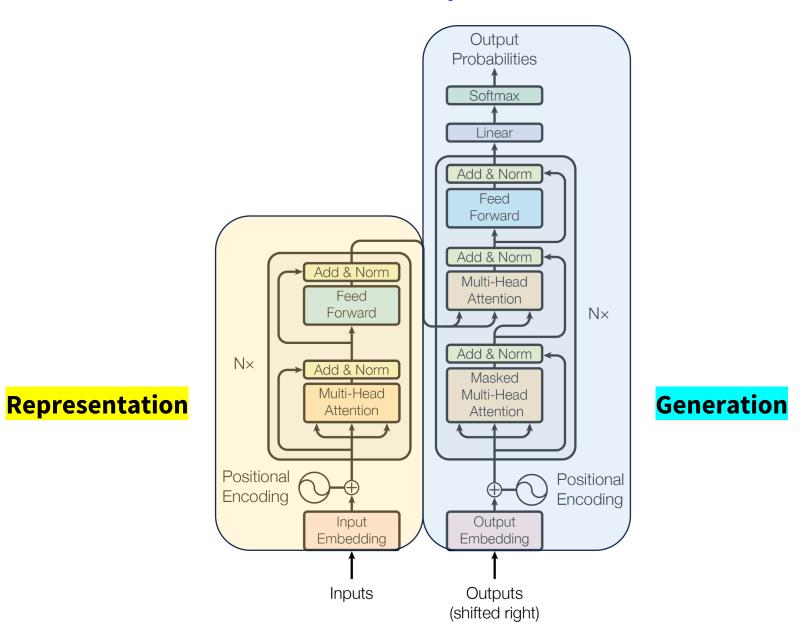
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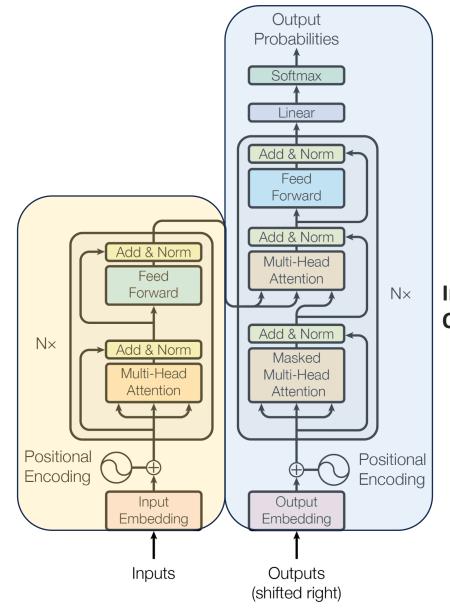






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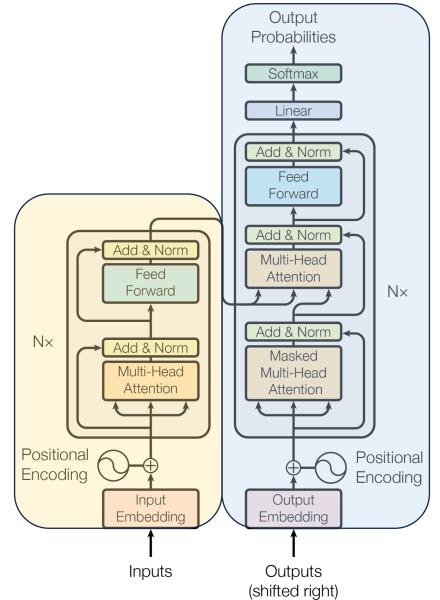


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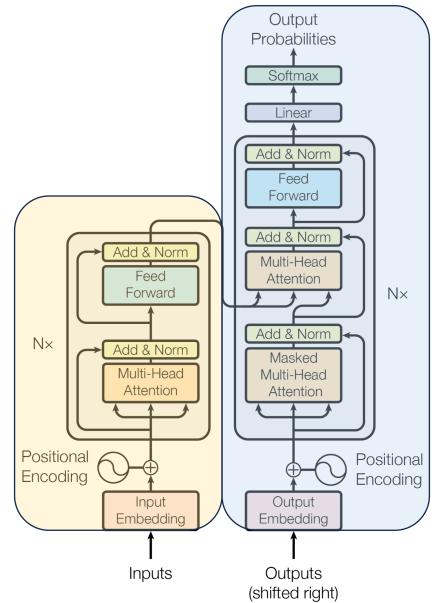
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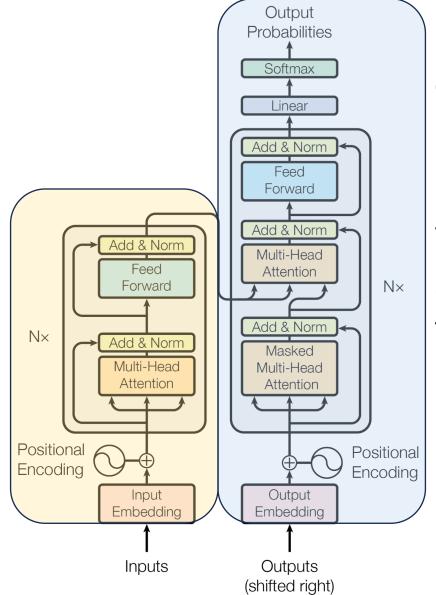
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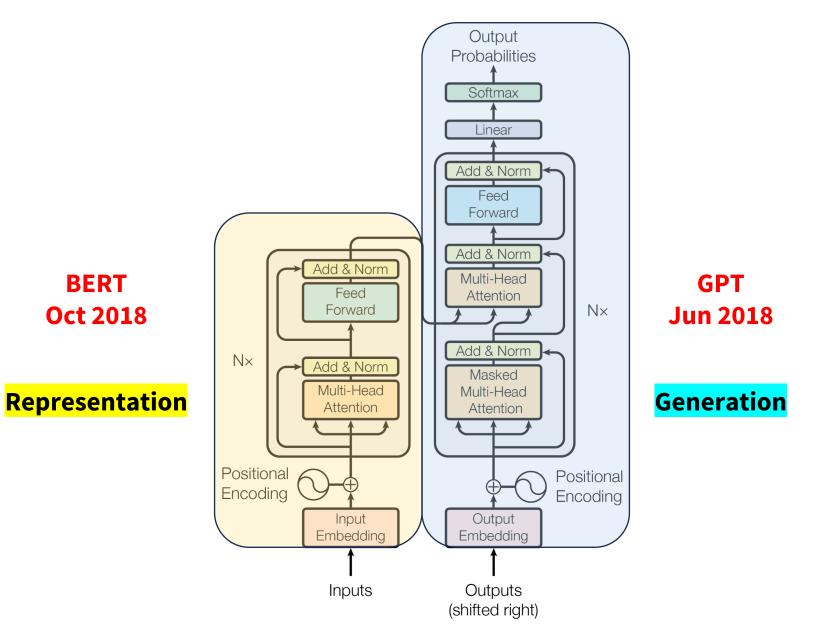
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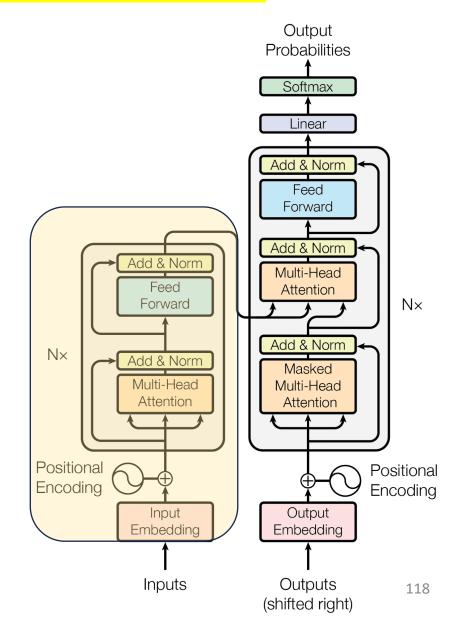
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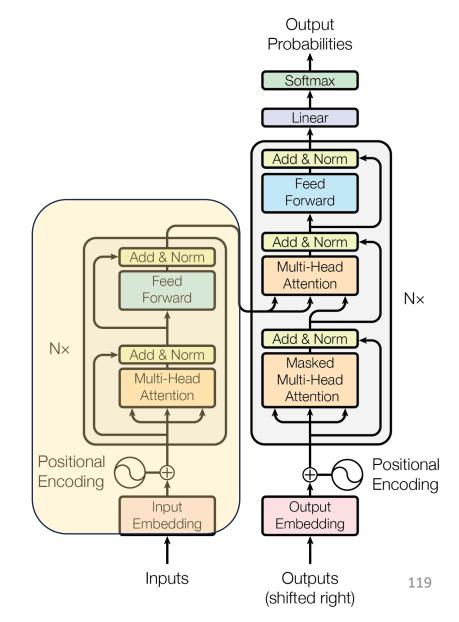


- One of the biggest challenges in LM-building used to be the lack of task-specific training data.
- What if we learn an effective representation that can be applied to a variety of downstream tasks?
 - Word2vec (2013)
 - GloVe (2014)



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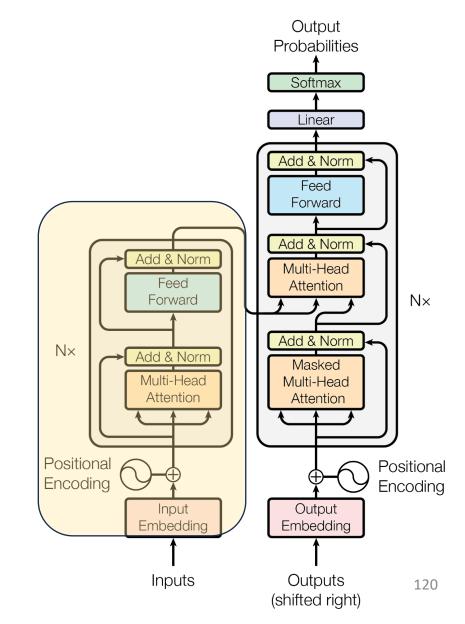


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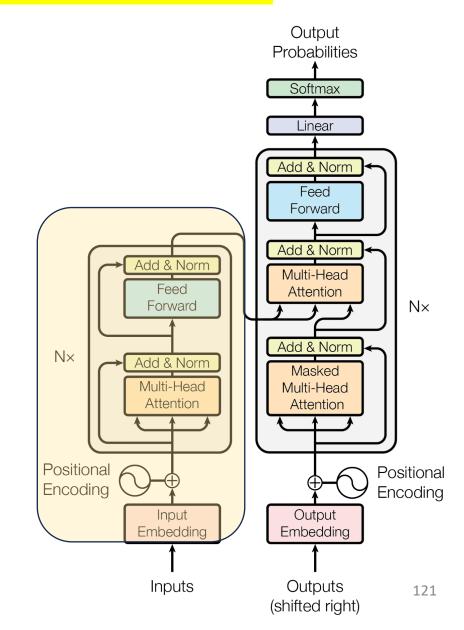
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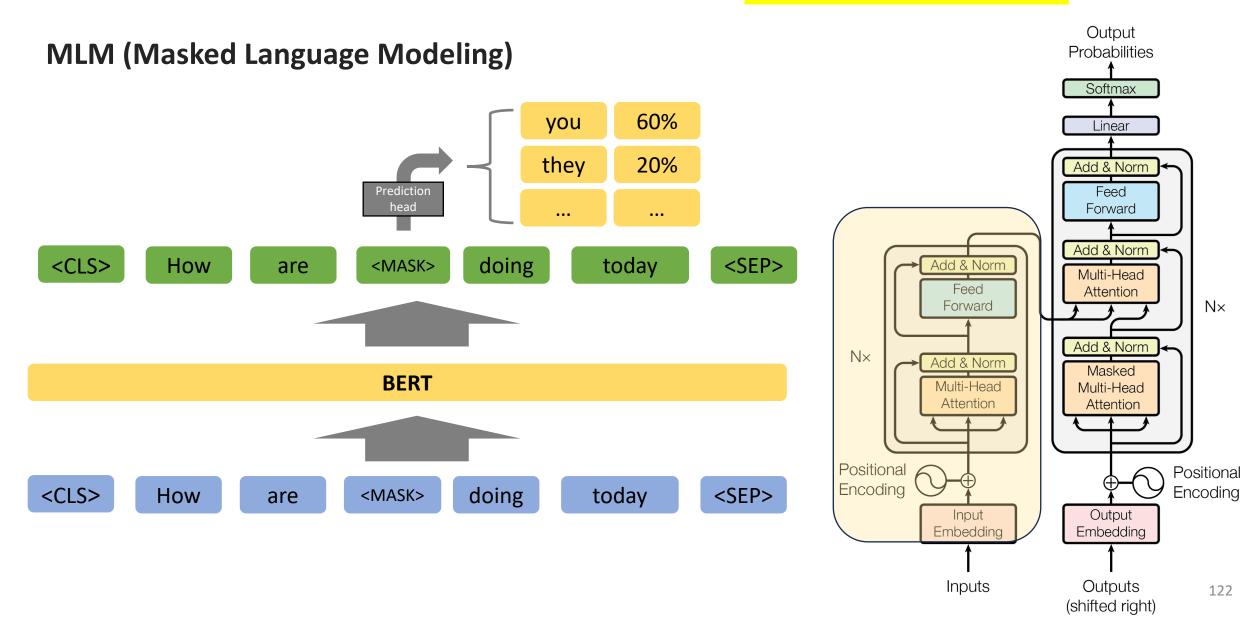
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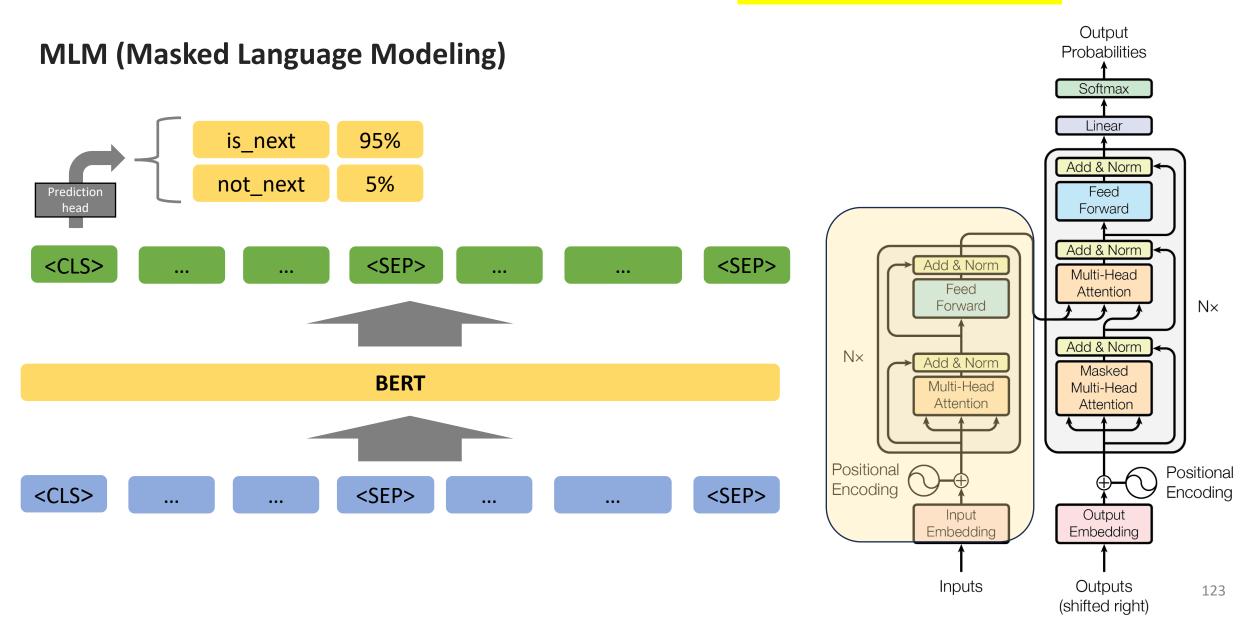
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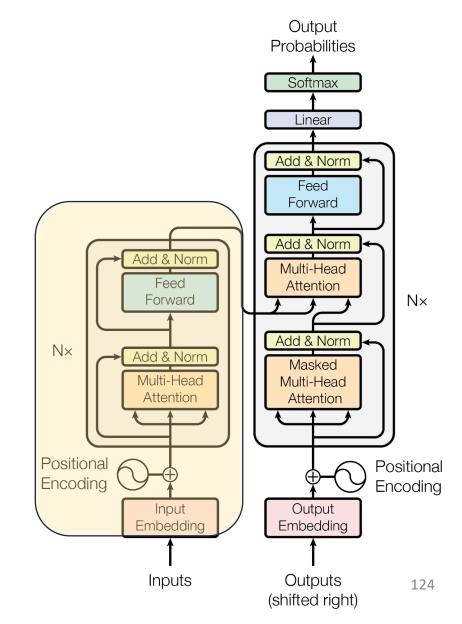




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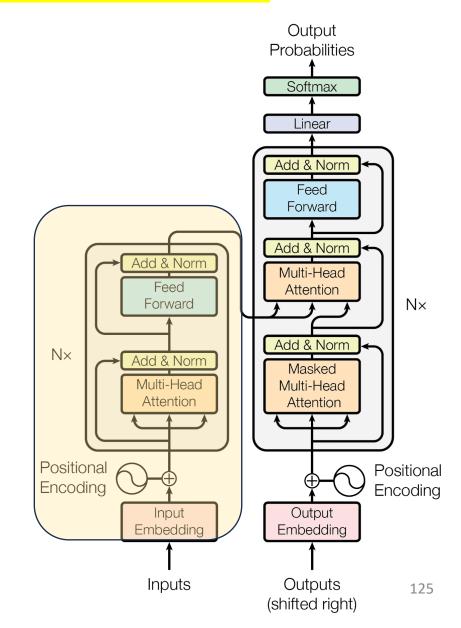
- Simply add a task-specific module after the last encoder layer to map it to the desired dimension.
 - Classification Tasks:
 - Add a feed-forward layer on top of the encoder output for the [CLS] token
 - Question Answering Tasks:
 - Train two extra vectors to mark the beginning and end of answer from paragraph

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BERT Evaluation:

- General Language Understanding Evaluation (GLUE)
 - Sentence pair tasks
 - Single sentence classification
- Standford Question Answering Dataset (SQuAD)

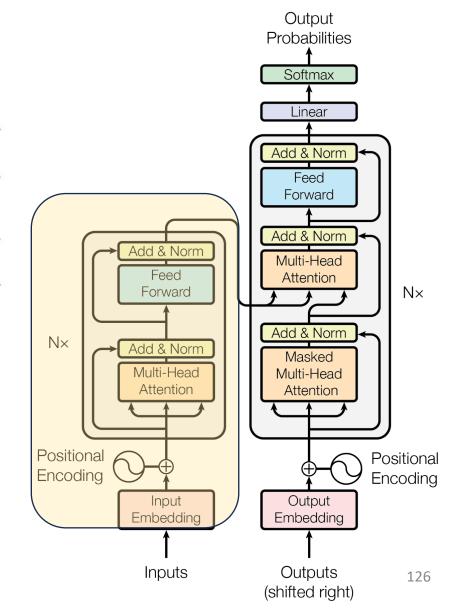


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System	MNLI-(m/mm)	QQP	QNLI	SST-2	CoLA	STS-B	MRPC	RTE	Average
	392k	363k	108k	67k	8.5k	5.7k	3.5k	2.5k	-
Pre-OpenAI SOTA	80.6/80.1	66.1	82.3	93.2	35.0	81.0	86.0	61.7	74.0
BiLSTM+ELMo+Attn	76.4/76.1	64.8	79.8	90.4	36.0	73.3	84.9	56.8	71.0
OpenAI GPT	82.1/81.4	70.3	87.4	91.3	45.4	80.0	82.3	56.0	75.1
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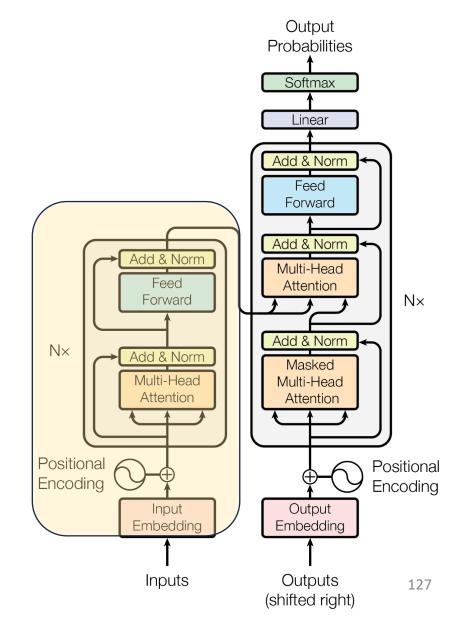
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Leaderboard (Oct	8th, 2	018)				
Human		-	82.3	91.2		
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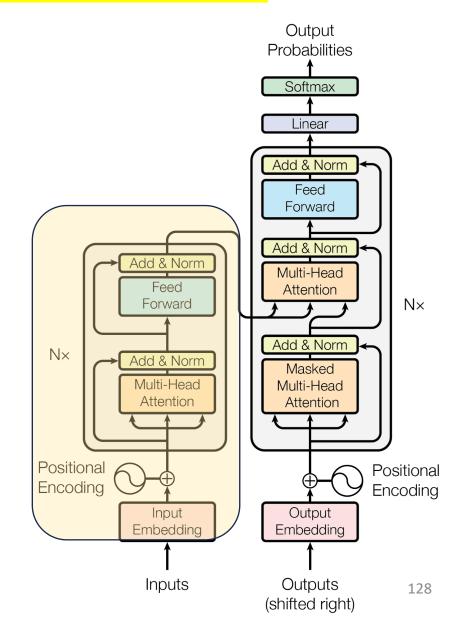
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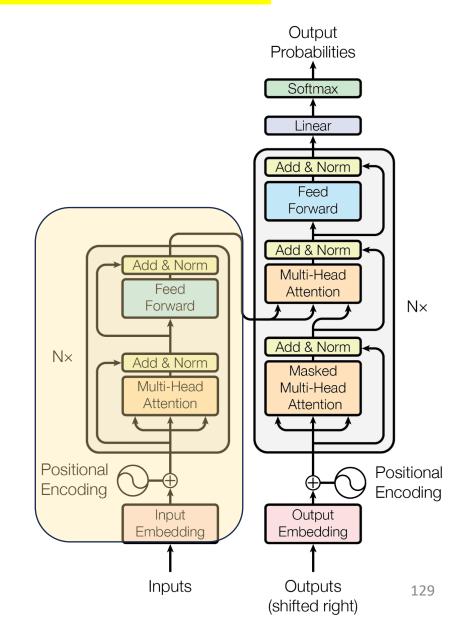
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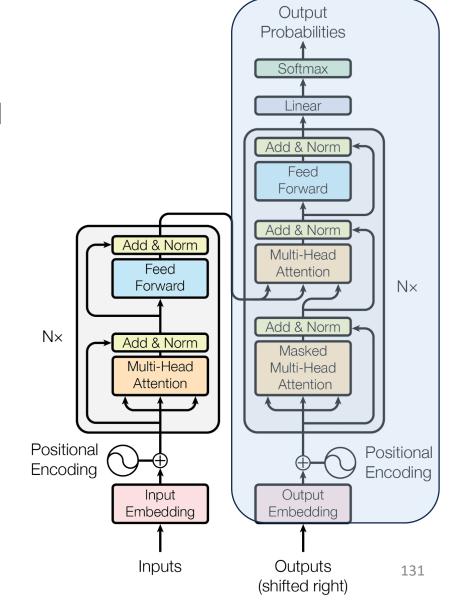
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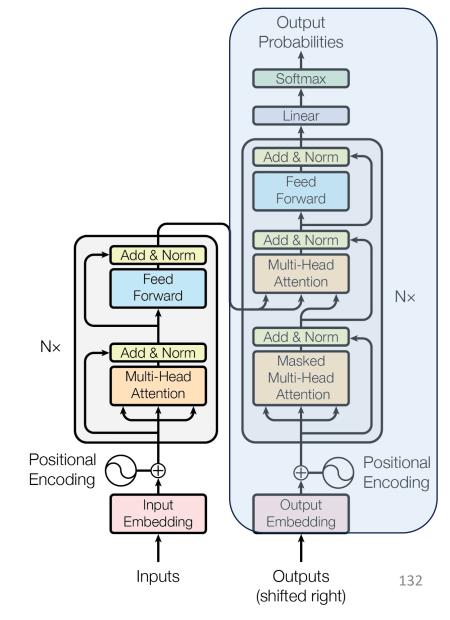
Similarly, BooksCorpus and English Wikipedia

GPT Pre-Training Tasks:

- Predict the next token, given the previous tokens
 - More learning signals than MLM

GPT Pre-Training Results:

- GPT 117M Params
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 Prompt-format task-specific text as a continuous stream for the model to fit

Summarization

Summarize this article:

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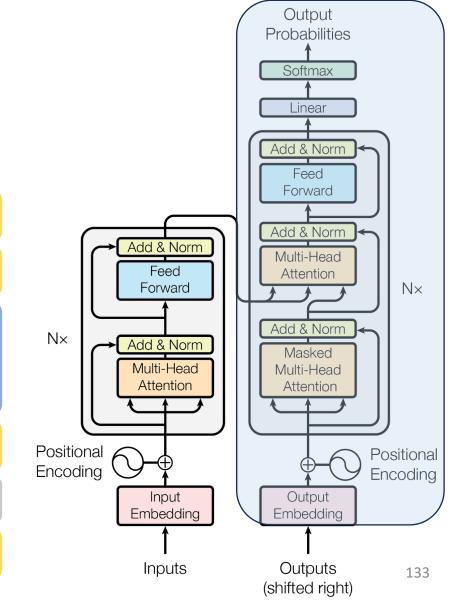
Answer the question based on the context.

QA

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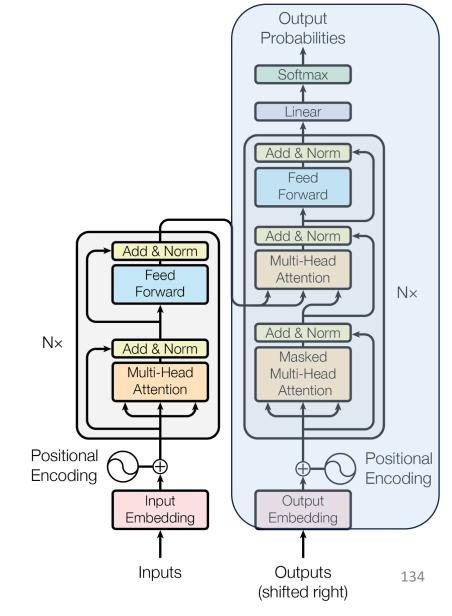
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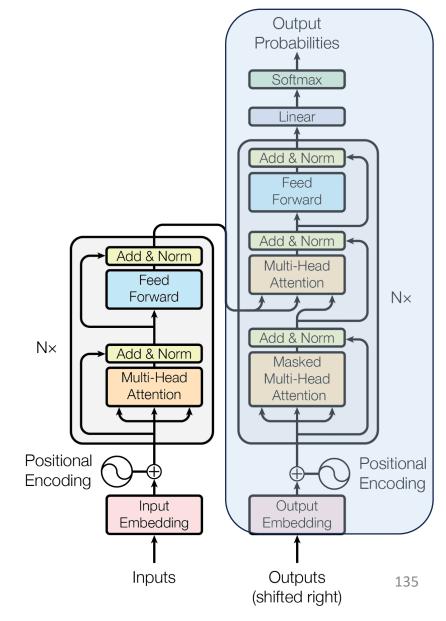
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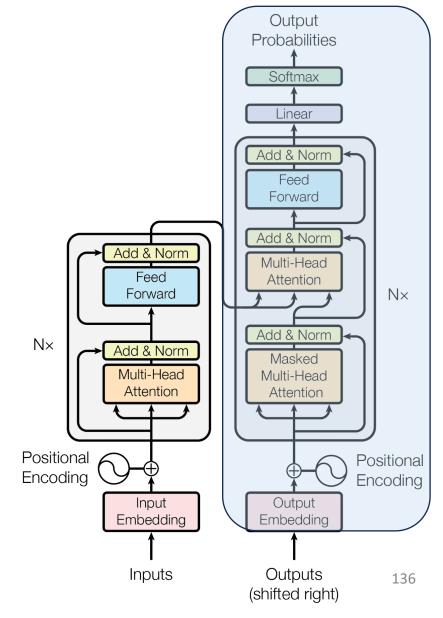
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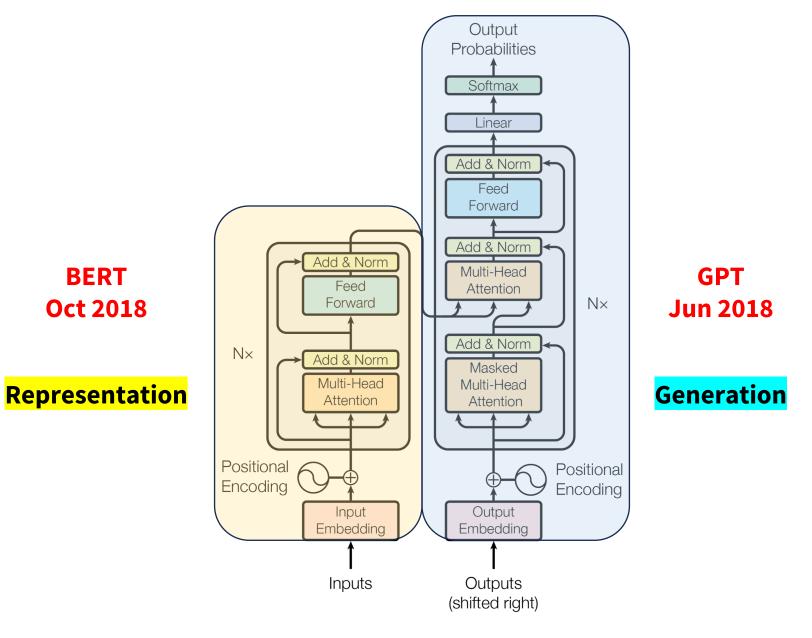
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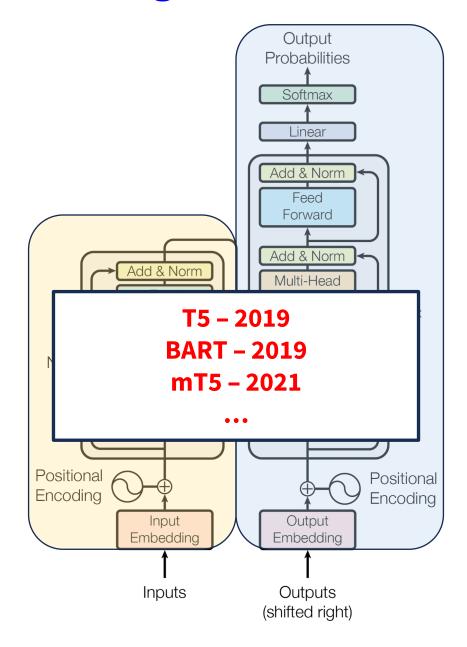
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What might be a flaw of our current Transformer-based LLMs?

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Looking Back

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- Sam Altman*

*Paraphrased by IDL TAs