PoolingFormer: Long Document Modeling with Pooling Attention

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Background

How to handle a long document with thousands tokens?

News Article

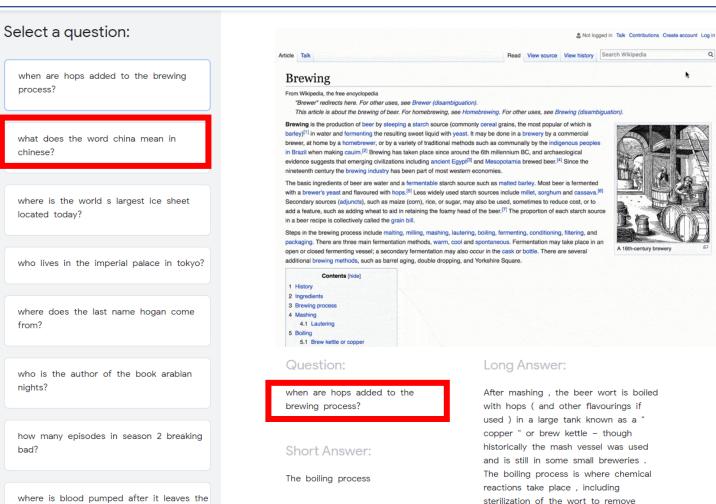
As in years past, a lot of the food trends of the year were based on creating perfectly photogenic dishes. An aesthetically pleasing dish, however, doesn't mean it will stand the test of time. In fact, it's not uncommon for food trends to be all the hype one year and die out the next. From broccoli coffee to "bowl food," here are 10 food trends that you likely won't see in 2019.

...[15 sentences with 307 words are abbreviated from here.]

In 2018, restaurants all over the US decided it was a good idea to place gold foil on everything from ice cream to chicken wings to pizza resulting in an expensive food trend. For example, the Ainsworth in New York City sells \$1,000 worth of gold covered chicken wings. It seems everyone can agree that this is a food trend that might soon disappear.

10 food trends that you likely won't see in 2019

Summarization



right ventricle?

where is the bowling hall of fame

used) in a large tank known as a " historically the mash vessel was used and is still in some small breweries The boiling process is where chemical sterilization of the wort to remove unwanted bacteria, releasing of hop flavours, bitterness and aroma compounds through isomerization. stopping of enzymatic processes, propinitation of protoing and



Long Document Modeling

Task: Long document QA, Summarization, Translation, even Vision Task (64*64 pixels) ...

Naive ways:

- 1. Truncation
 - (Extract the beginning or end of the document, drop others)
- 2. N-stage

(Split the input into small units then hierarchical modeling)



Poor performance because lots of information is dropped

Long Document Modeling

Question:

What's the key problem in Long Document Modeling?

Why pretrained models (Bert, Roberta..) constrained input length of 512?

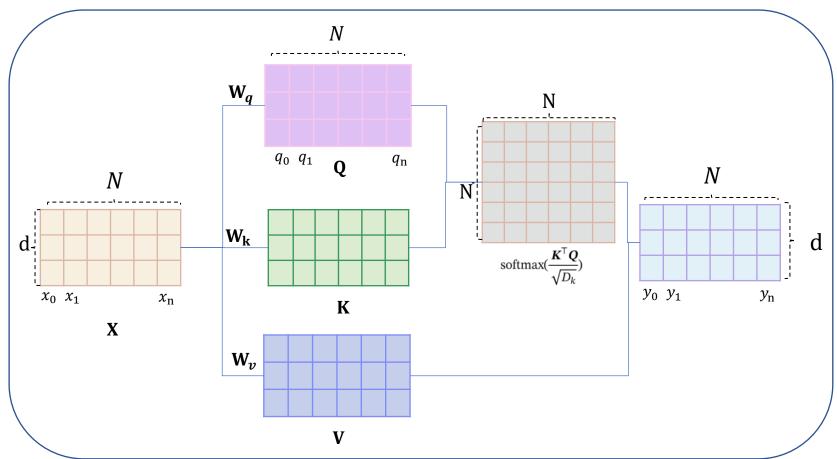


Self-Attention is quadratic dependency on the sequence length

Self-Attention

Sequence of text embeddings: $\mathbf{X} = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_N)$

Out:
$$Y = (y_1, y_2, ..., y_N)$$

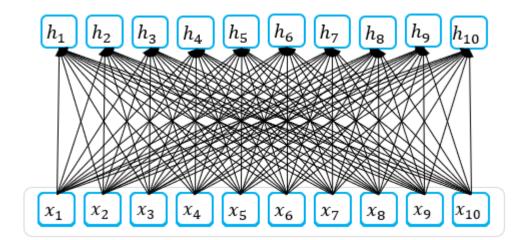


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$$oldsymbol{y}_i^T = ext{Softmax}\left(lpha oldsymbol{q}_i^T \mathbf{K}
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Self-Attention

Inputs

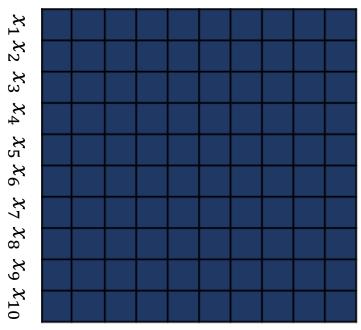


Quadratic dependency on the sequence length

(computational cost and memory consumption)

$$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$$

 $x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 x_7 x_8 x_9 x_{10}$



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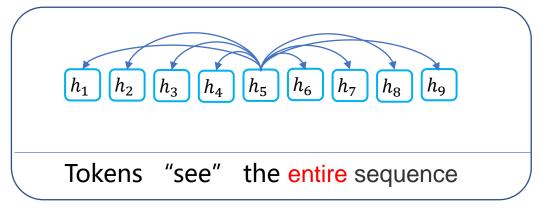
$$\mathbf{y}_i^T = \text{Softmax}\left(\alpha \mathbf{q}_i^T \mathbf{K}\right) \mathbf{V}^T$$

Self-Attention

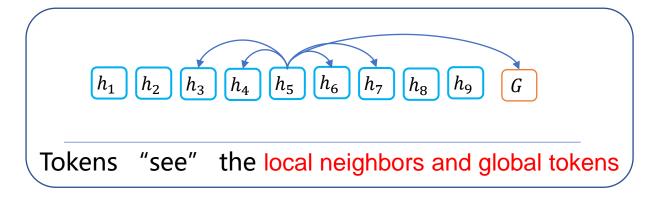
Hard to handle long sequence!



Sparse Attention



Original Self-Attention



Sparse attention Longformer & Bigbird

Sparse attention

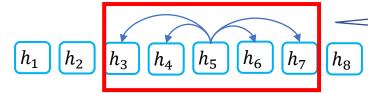
limit the receptive field of tokens:

$$\mathcal{N}(i, w_1) = \{i - w_1, ..., i, ..., i + w_1\}$$

$$oldsymbol{y}_i^T = \operatorname{Softmax}\left(lpha oldsymbol{q}_i^T \mathbf{K}_{\mathcal{N}(i,w_1)}\right) \mathbf{V}_{\mathcal{N}(i,w_1)}^T$$

Motivation

Intuitively:



How to see further efficiently?

- 1. the farther tokens "see", the better performance
- 2. the farther tokens "see", the higher computational complexity
- 3. Local neighbors are import. Farther neighbors contain more redundant information

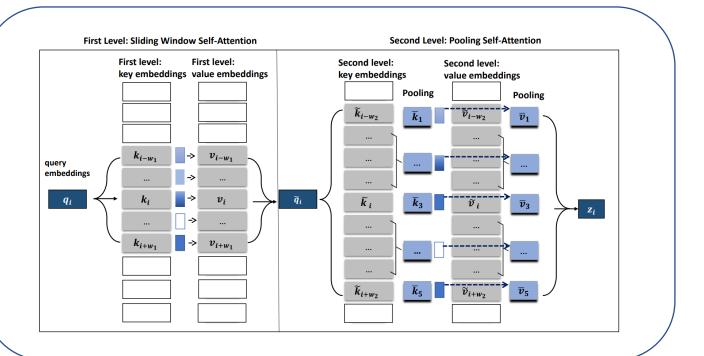
Motivation:

Different attention strategies for different distance neighbors

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Two-level attention schema

- 1. For closer neighbors: Full Attention
- 2. For farther neighbors: Pooling attention

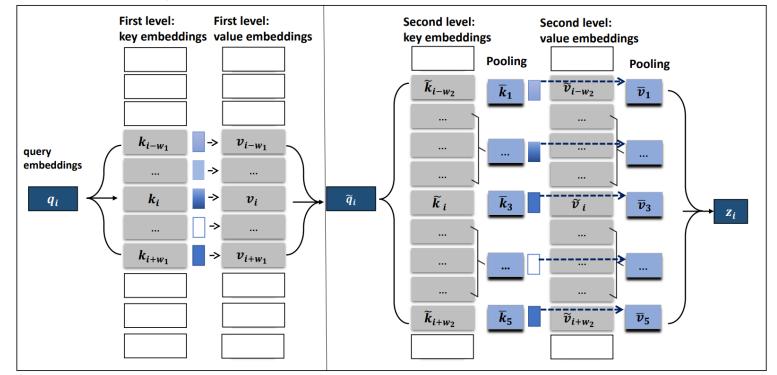


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First Level

$$\mathcal{N}(i, w_1) = \{i - w_1, \dots, i, \dots, i + w_1\}$$
$$y_i^T = Softmax(aq_i^T K_{\mathcal{N}(i, w_1)}) V_{\mathcal{N}(i, w_1)}^T$$

Second Level:

$$\mathcal{N}(i, w_2) = \{i - w_2, ..., i, i + w_2\}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}}_i = \text{Pooling}(\tilde{\mathbf{K}}_{\mathcal{N}(i, w_2)}; \kappa, \xi)$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{V}}_i = \text{Pooling}(\tilde{\mathbf{V}}_{\mathcal{N}(i, w_2)}; \kappa, \xi)$$

$$\boldsymbol{z}_i^T = \text{Softmax}\left(\alpha \tilde{\boldsymbol{q}}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{K}}_i\right) \bar{\mathbf{V}}_i^T$$

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• Trainable Pooling Mechanisms: LDConv

$$\mathbf{V} = (v_1, ..., v_m) \rightarrow ((v_1, ..., v_{\kappa}), (v_{1+\xi}, ..., v_{1+\xi+\kappa}), ...)$$

$$(\delta_1, ..., \delta_{\kappa})^T = \text{Softmax}(\mathbf{W_p} v_i)$$

$$ext{LDConv}(oldsymbol{v}_1,...,oldsymbol{v}_\kappa) = \sum_{i=1}^\kappa \delta_i \cdot oldsymbol{v}_i$$

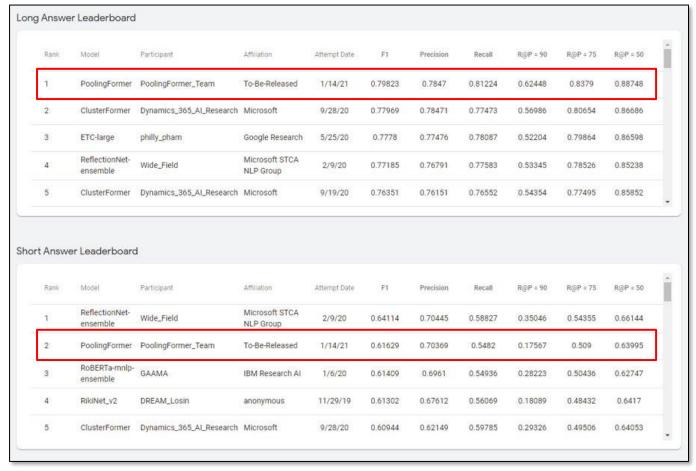
Mean-LDConv:
$$(\delta_1,...,\delta_{\kappa})^T = \operatorname{Softmax}(\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{p}}\bar{\boldsymbol{v}})$$

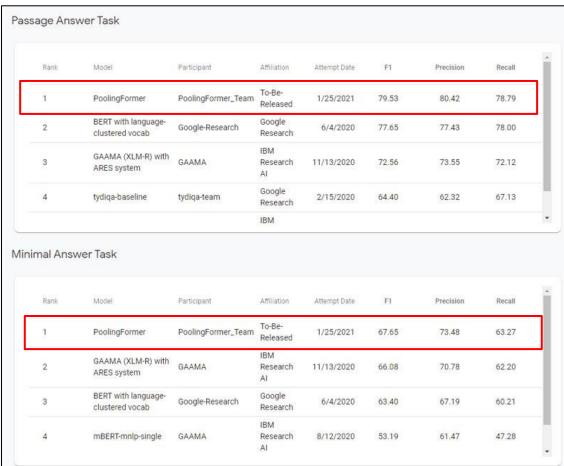
PoolingFormer for Document-level Summarization

| Model | ROUGE-1 | ROUGE-2 | ROUGE-L |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Sent-PTR-512 | 42.32 | 15.63 | 38.06 |
| Extr-Abst-TLM-512 | 41.62 | 14.69 | 38.03 |
| PEGASUS-512 | 44.21 | 16.95 | 38.83 |
| Dancer-512 | 45.01 | 17.60 | 40.56 |
| BigBird-16k | 46.63 | 19.02 | 41.77 |
| LED-4k | 44.40 | 17.94 | 39.76 |
| LED-16k | 46.63 | 19.62 | 41.83 |
| Poolingformer-4k | 47.86 | 19.54 | 42.35 |
| Poolingformer-16k | 48.47 | 20.23 | 42.69 |

PoolingFormer for Document-level QA

Google's NQ TyDi QA





Ablation Study

Table 5. Ablation study of Poolingformer_{base} with different window lengths on NQ dev set. w_1 : the size of the first level window. w_2 : the size of the second level window. C: the compression rate of the second level window controlled by adjusting the kernel size and stride size of the pooling.

| Setting | w_1 | w_2 | C | LA F1 | SA F1 |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|----|-------------|-------|
| RoBERTa _{base} | - | - | - | 63.8 | 43.2 |
| Poolingformer $_{base}$ | 128 | - | - | 66.3 | 43.1 |
| Poolingformer _{base} | 256 | - | - | 67.4 | 43.4 |
| Poolingformer _{base} | 512 | - | - | 66.1 | 42.6 |
| Poolingformer _{base} | 128 | 256 | 4 | 67.9 | 45.0 |
| Poolingformer _{base} | 128 | 512 | 4 | 68.7 | 45.2 |
| Poolingformer _{base} | 128 | 2,048 | 8 | 66.9 | 42.6 |
| Poolingformer $_{base}$ | 128 | 2,048 | 16 | 67.0 | 44.4 |
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Table 6. Ablation study of pooling and fusion approaches.

| Setting | LA F1 | SA F1 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------|
| $\overline{\text{Poolingformer}_{base}(\text{Without } 2nd \text{ level window})}$ | 66.3 | 43.1 |
| Poolingformer _{base} (MEAN) | 68.5 | 43.7 |
| Poolingformer $_{base}(MAX)$ | 68.6 | 45.3 |
| Poolingformer _{base} (LDConv) | 68.7 | 45.2 |
| $Pooling former_{base}(Mean LDC on v)$ | 67.7 | 44.1 |
| Poolingformer _{base} (LDConv, <i>Mix</i>) | 67.5 | 44.6 |
| Poolingformer _{base} (LDConv, Weight Sharing) | 67.2 | 44.2 |
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Thank you!