EECE 571F: Deep Learning with Structures

Lecture 2: Invariance, Equivariance, and Deep Learning Models for Sets/Sequences

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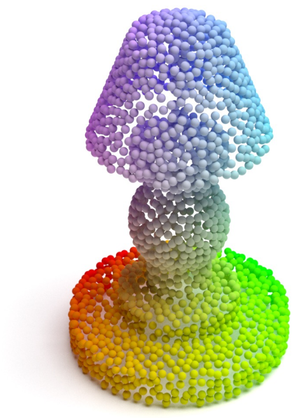
Course Scope

- **Supervised Learning with Observable Structures**
- Unsupervised / Self-supervised Learning with Observable Structures
- Supervised Learning with Latent Structures



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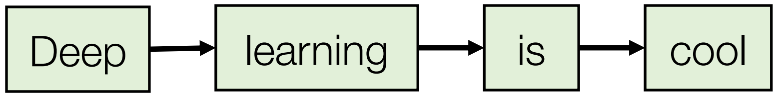

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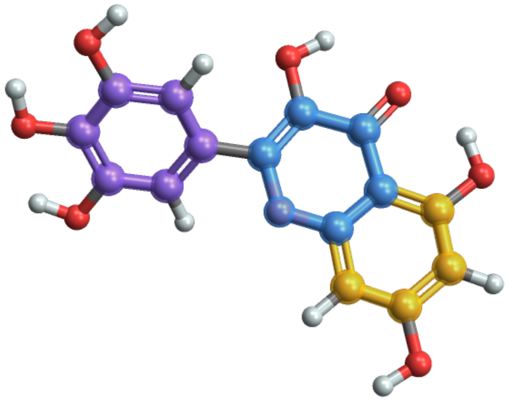

Graphs

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Motivating Applications for Sets

- Population Statistics
- Point Cloud Classification

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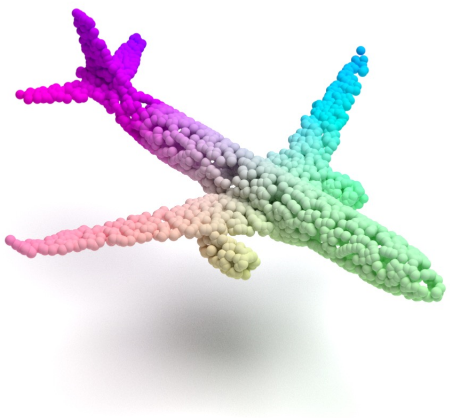

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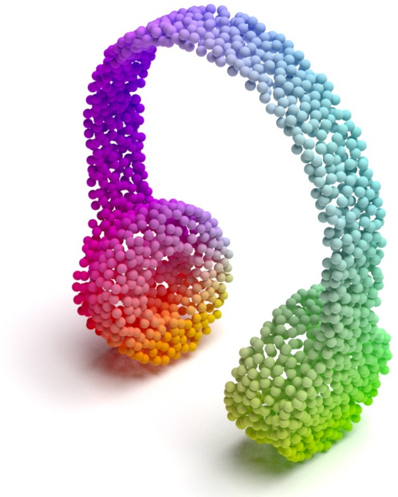

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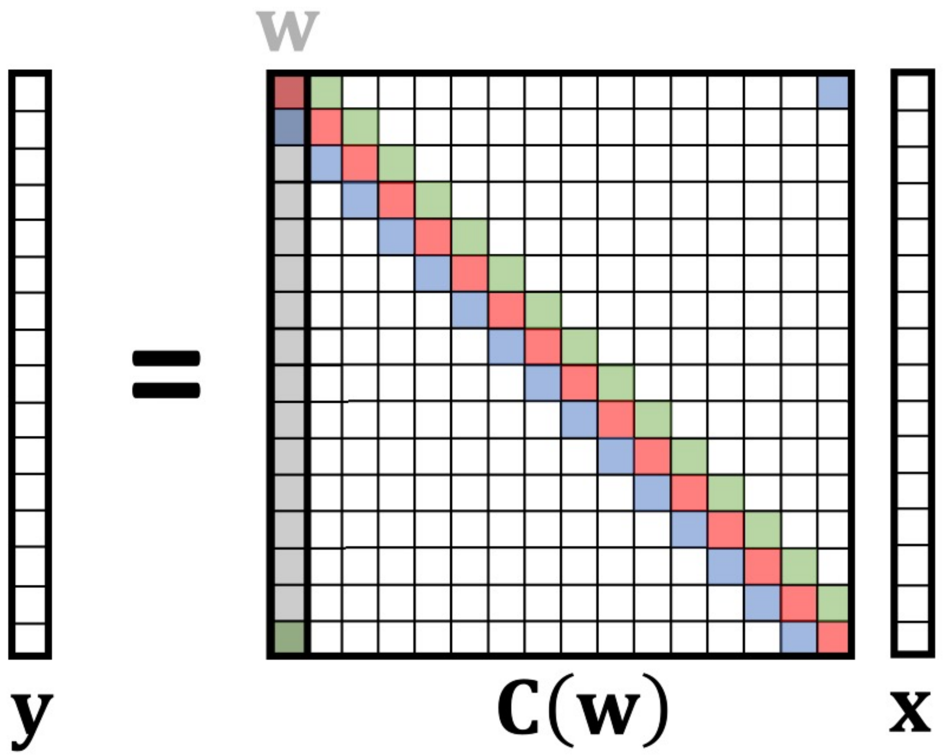
Convolution with padding



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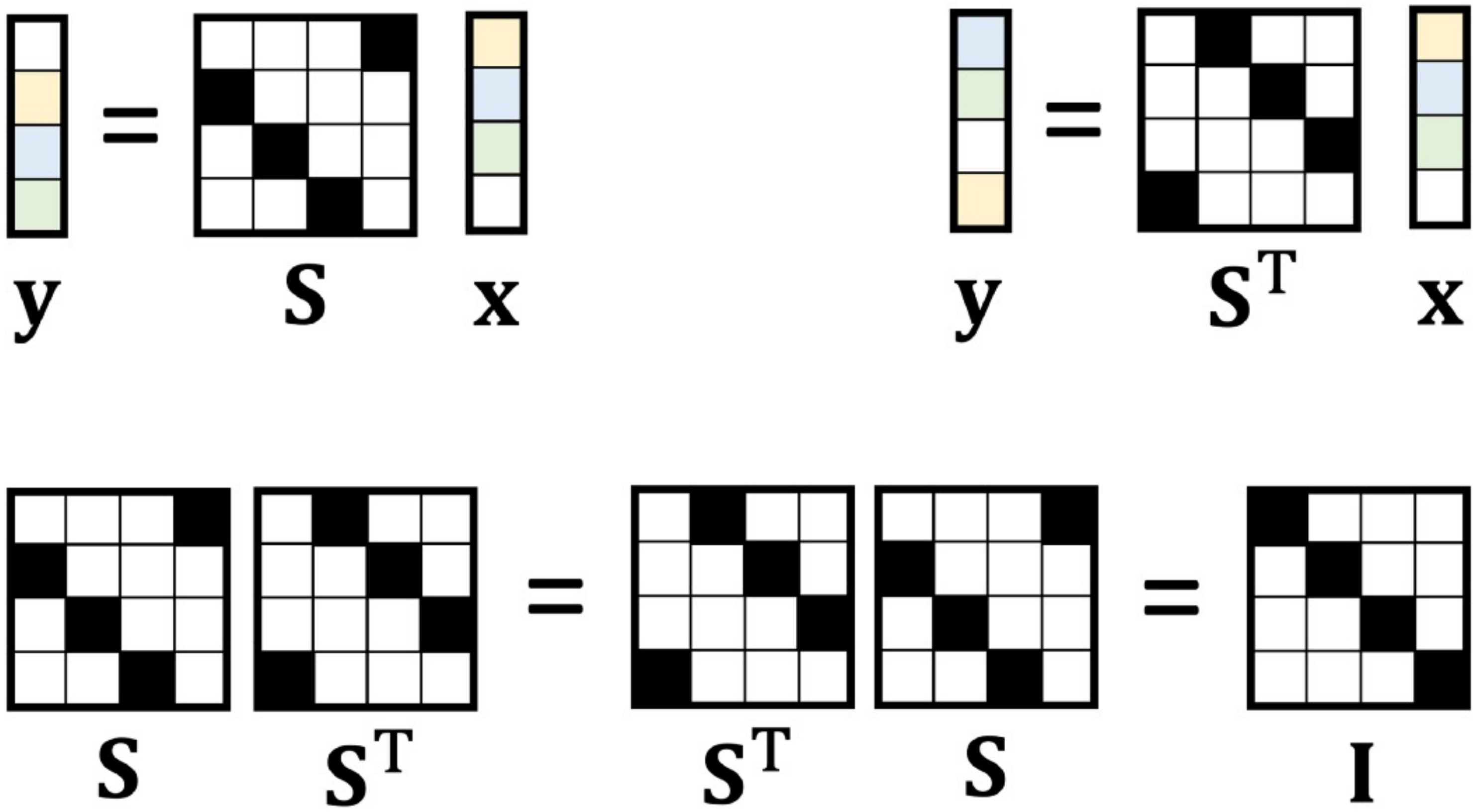

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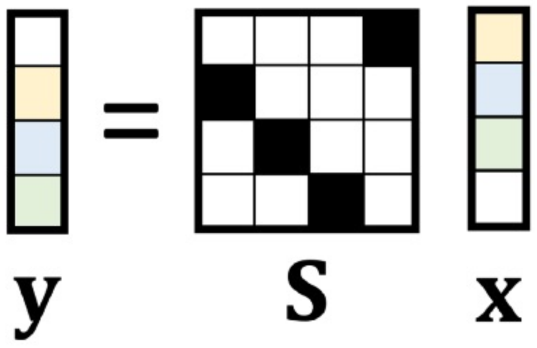
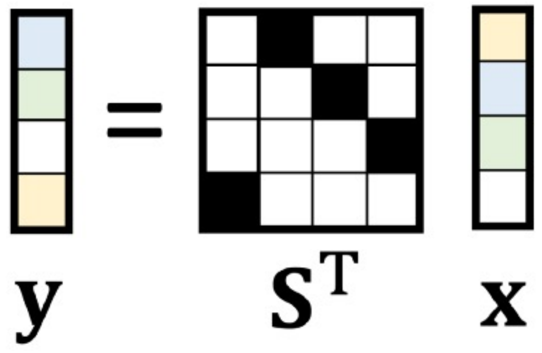
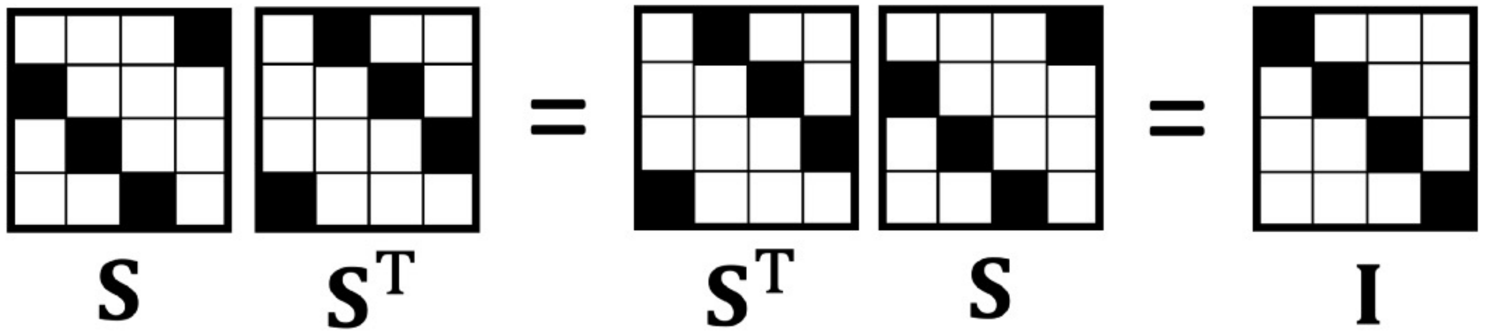
Shift operator is also a circulant matrix!







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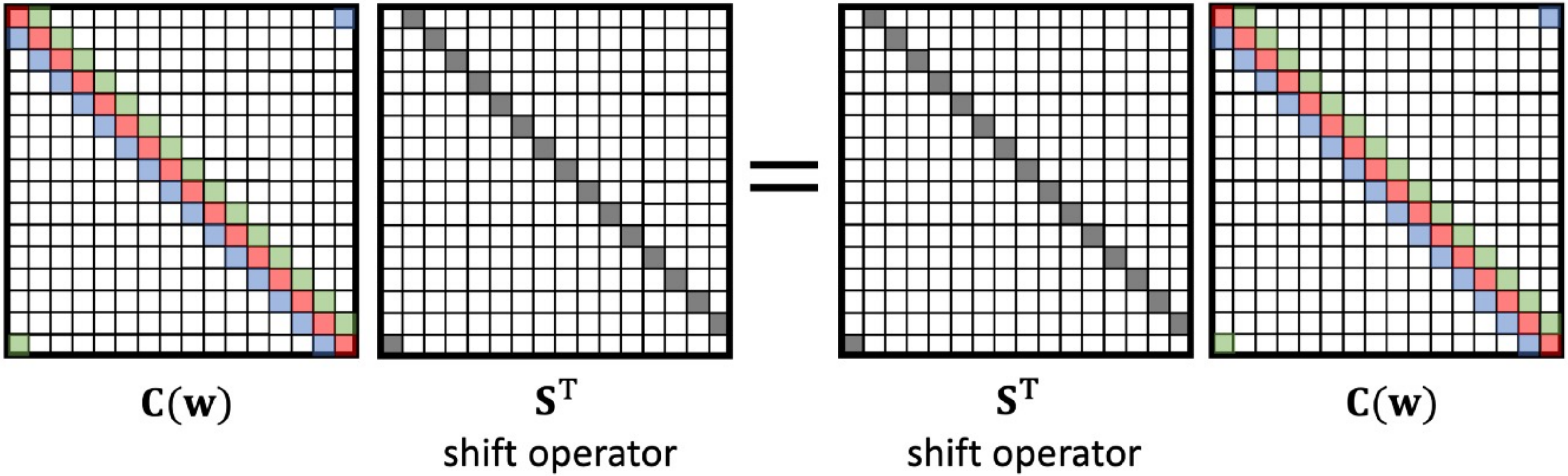

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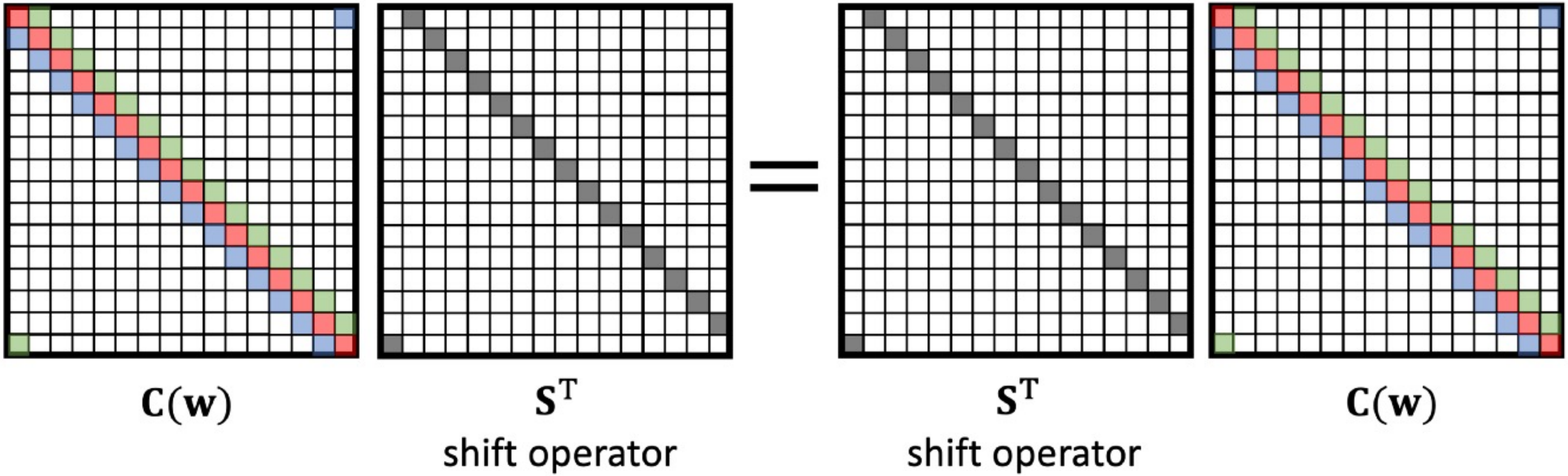

Convolution is translation equivariant, i.e., Conv(Shift(X)) = Shift(Conv(X))!

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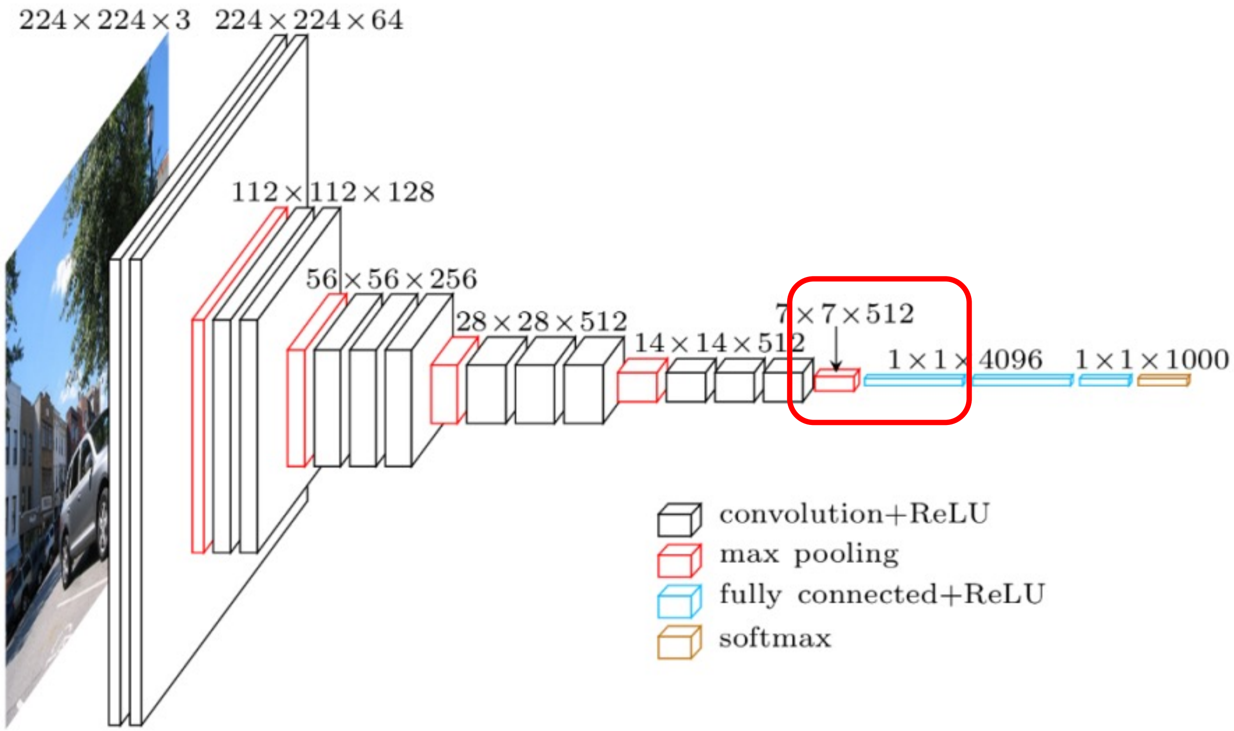
Global pooling gives you shift-invariance!



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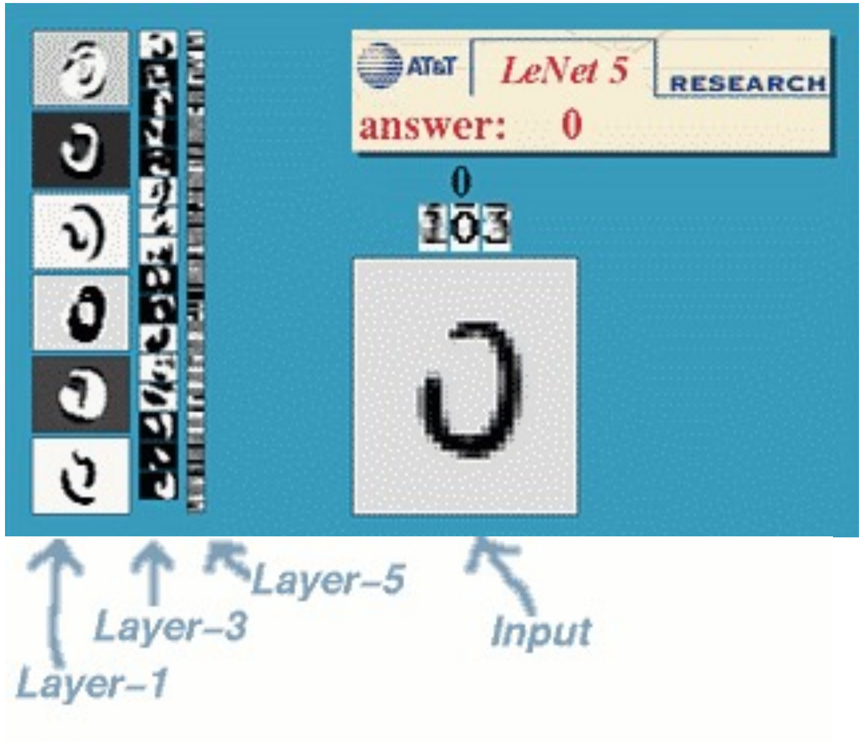
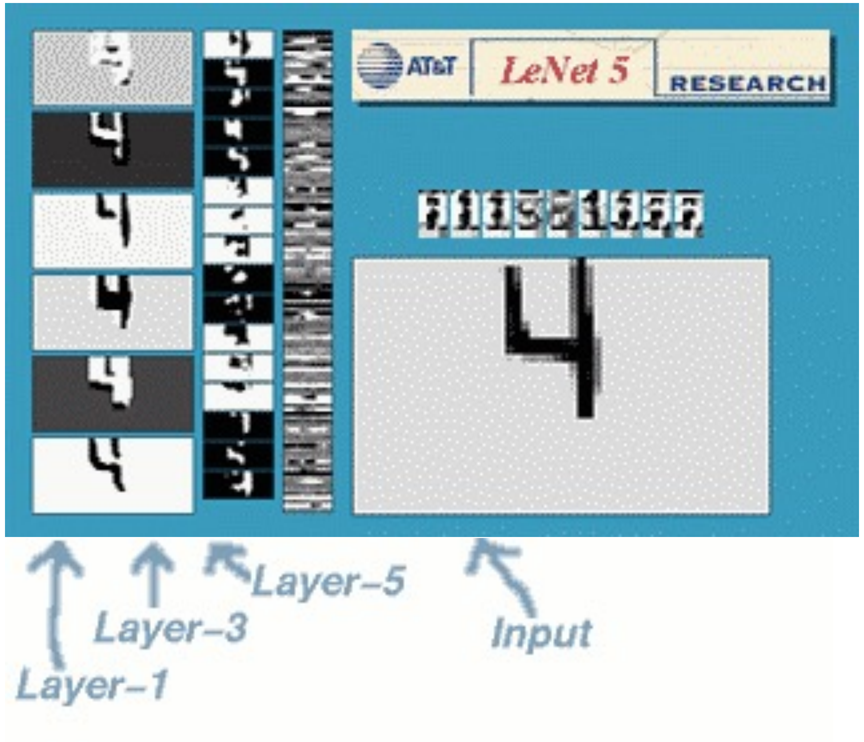
Translation/Shift Equivariance Invariance

Yann LeCun's LeNet Demo:





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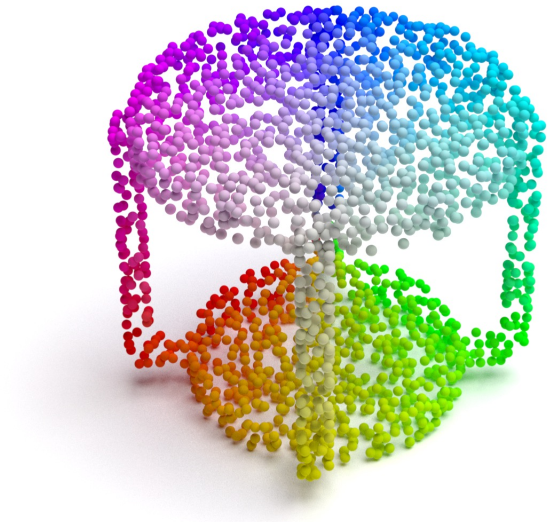

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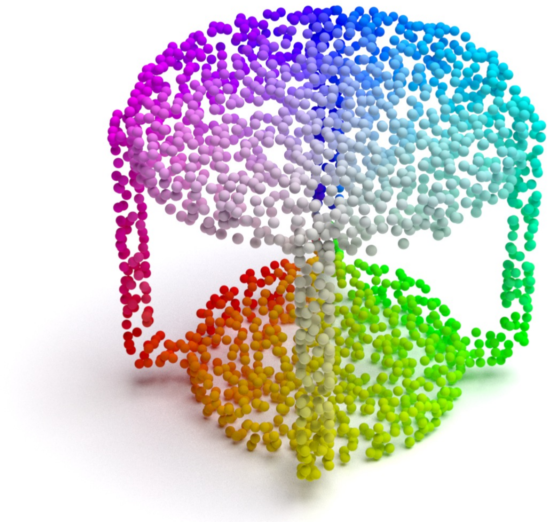

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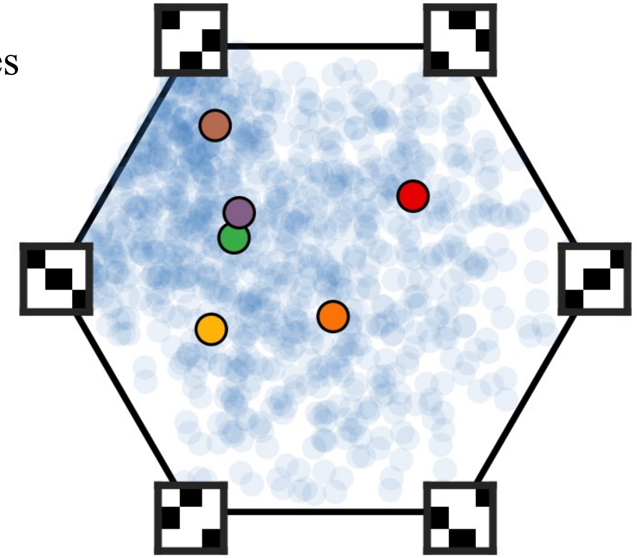

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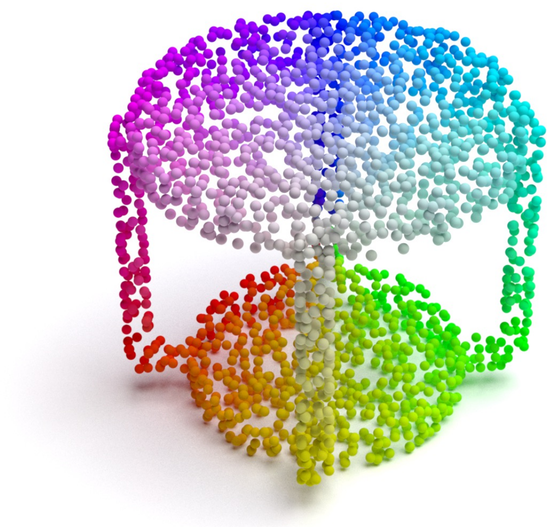

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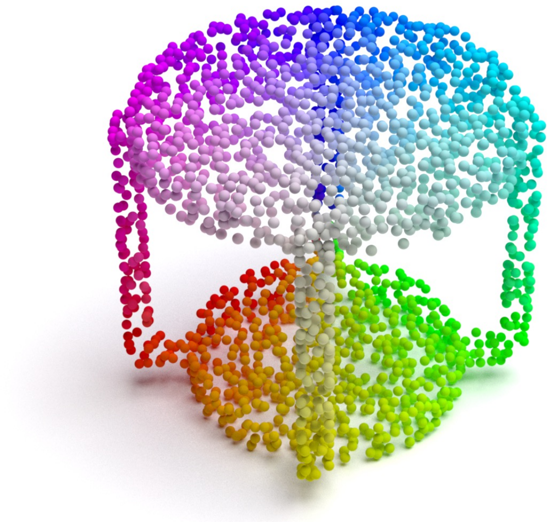

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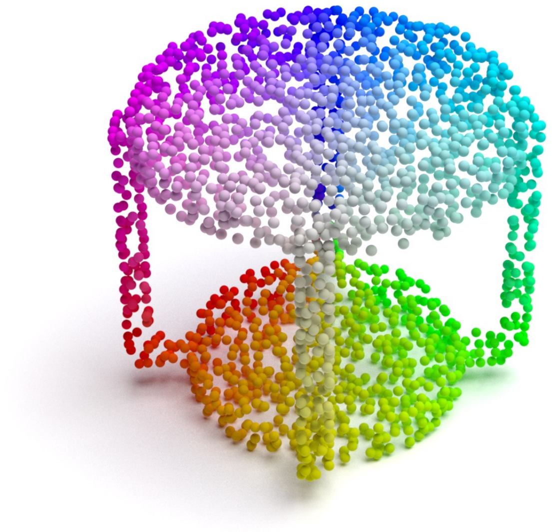

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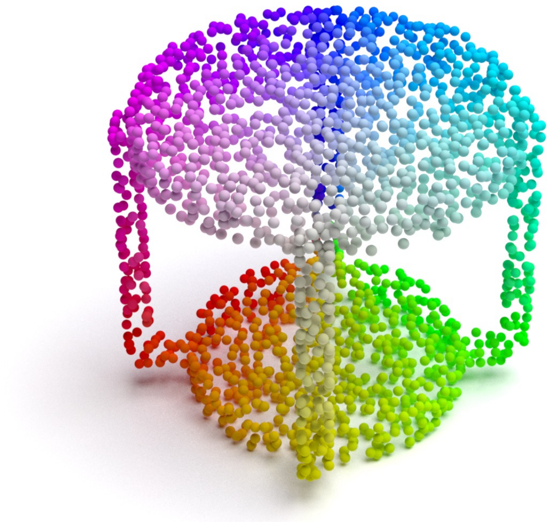

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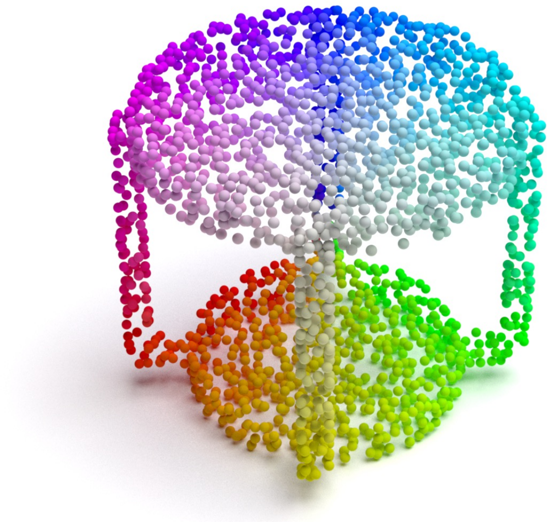

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- Generalize to Group Invariance & Equivariance

  Recommend Taco Cohen's PhD Thesis: https://pure.uva.nl/ws/files/60770359/Thesis.pdf

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Key Challenges:

- Varying-sized input sets
- Permutation equivariant and invariant models
- Expressive models

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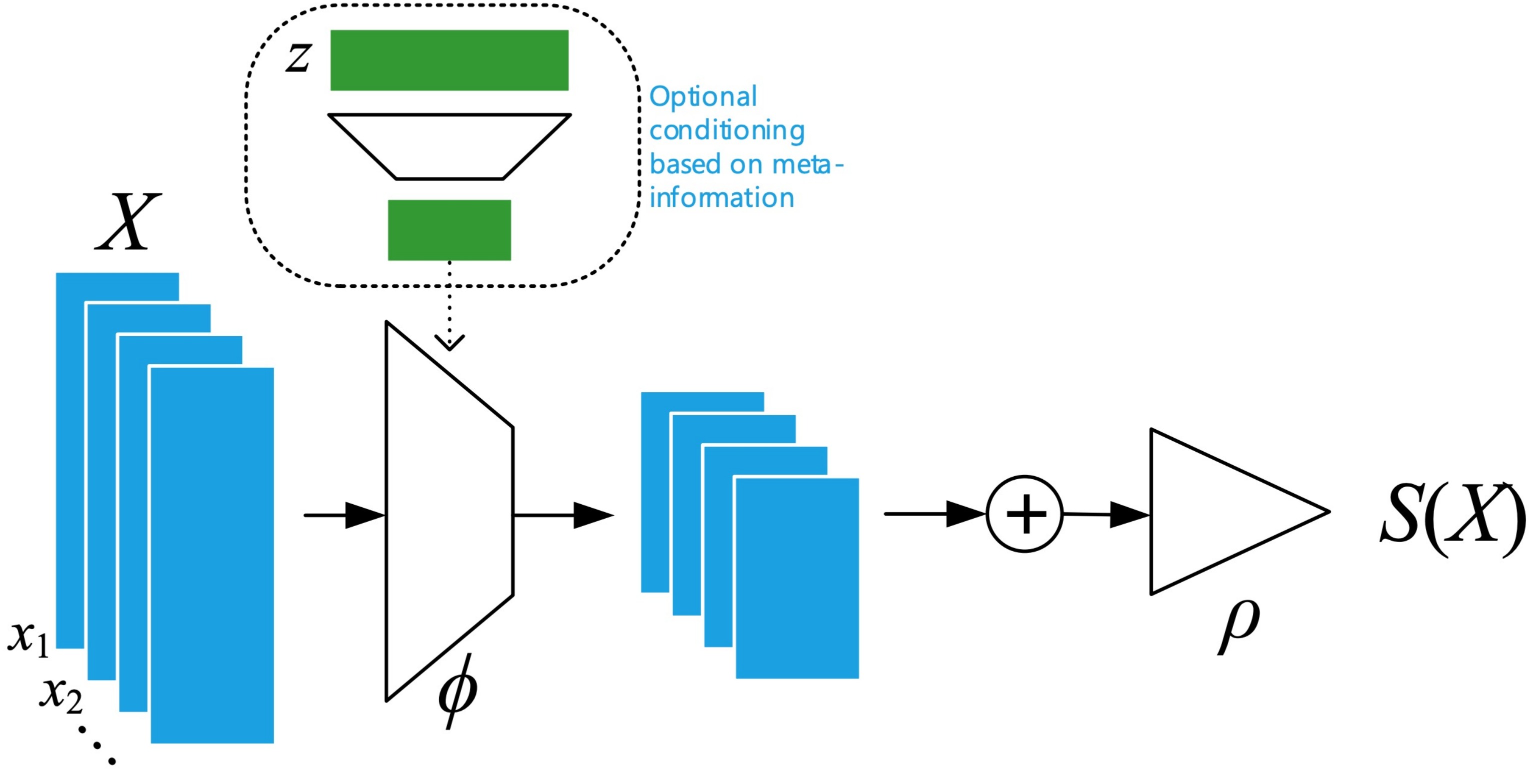

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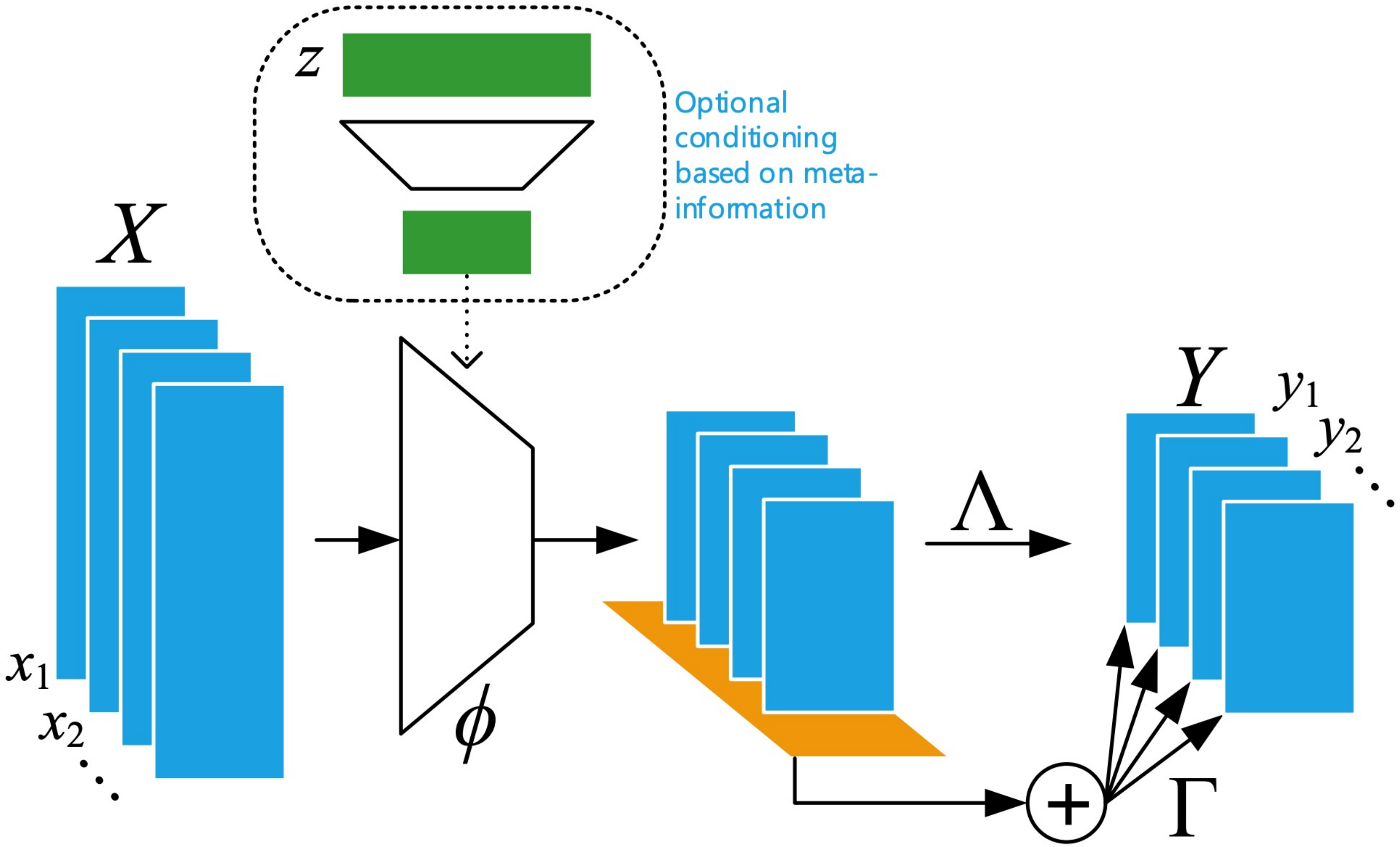

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Recipe for making the model deep:

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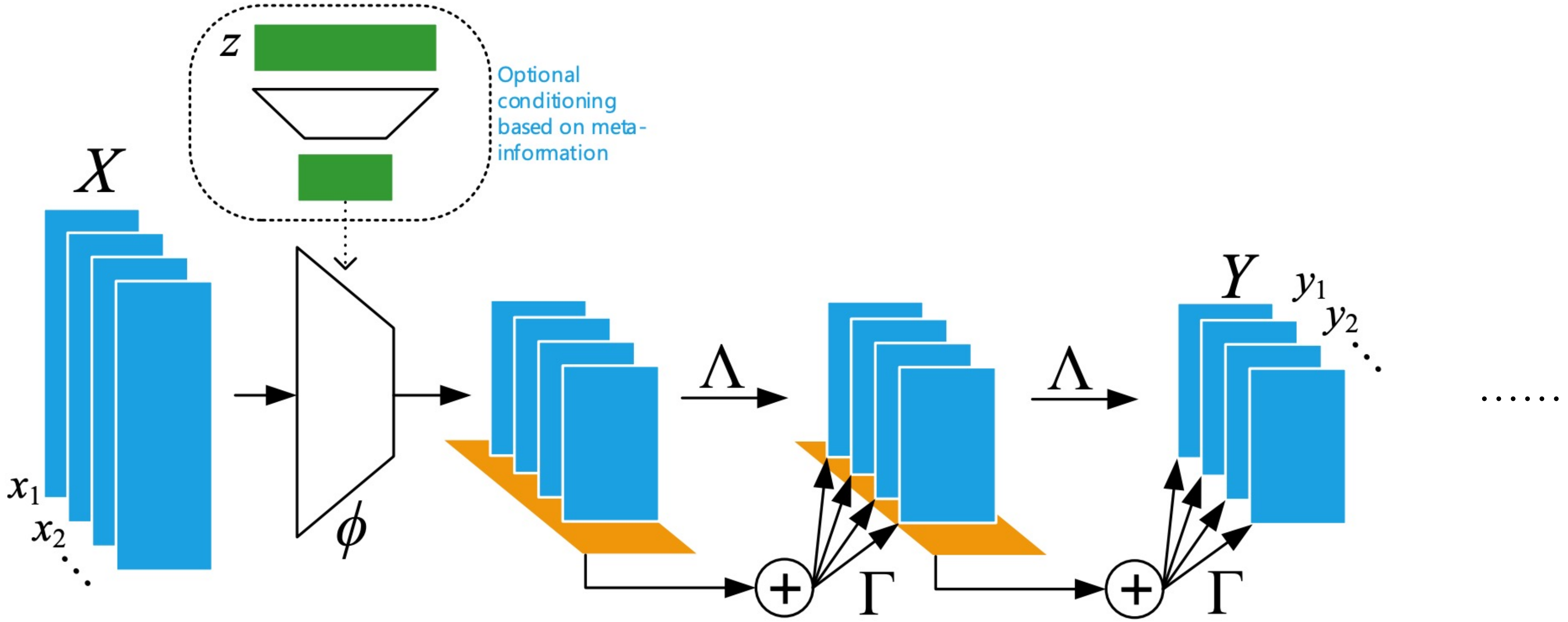

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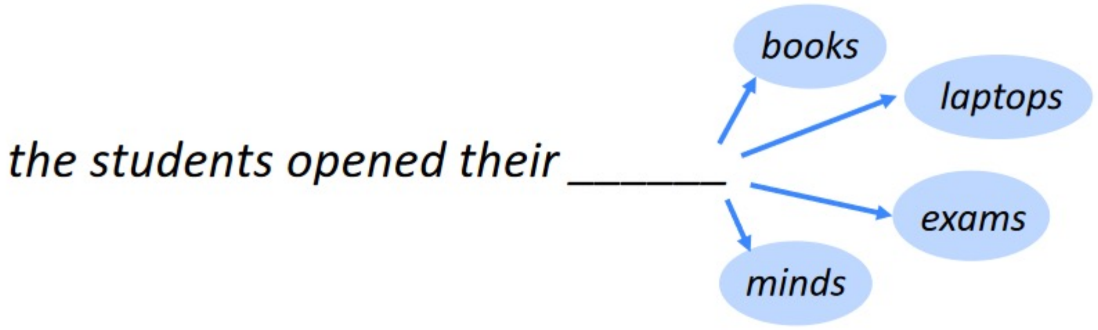

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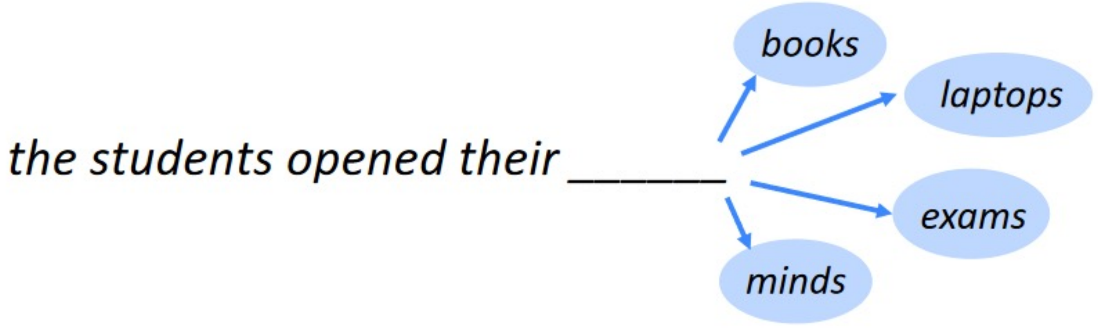

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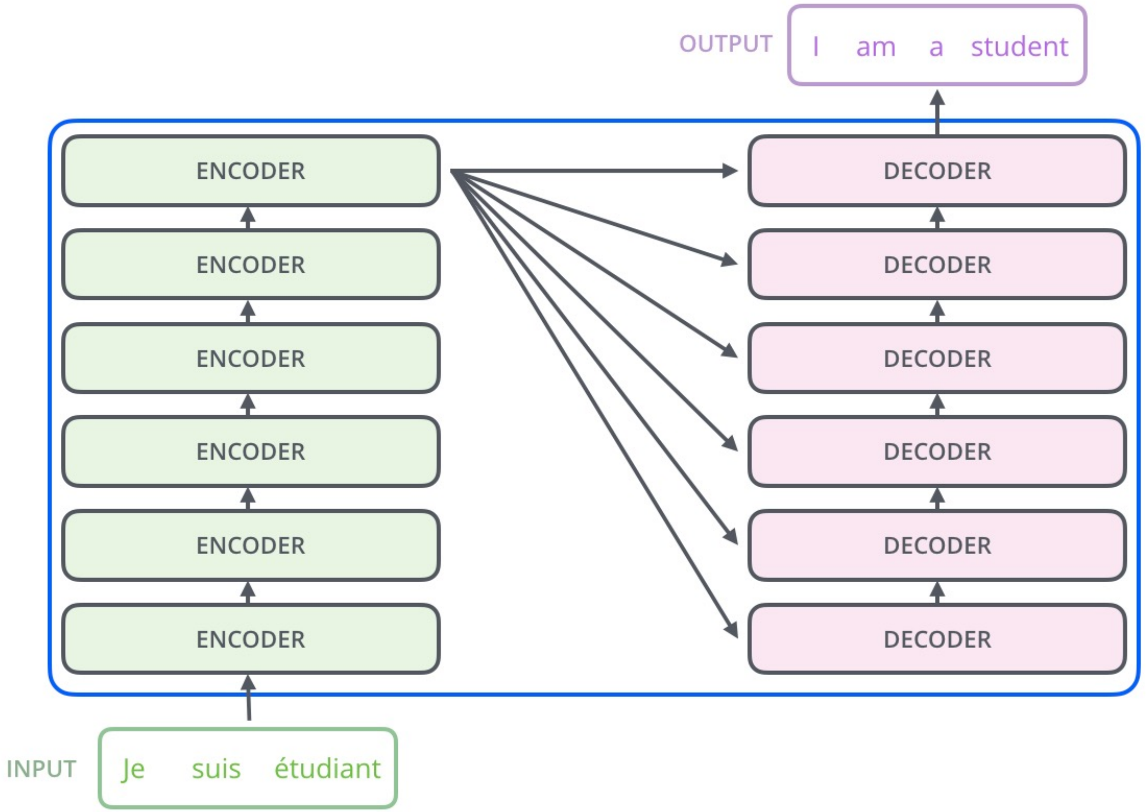

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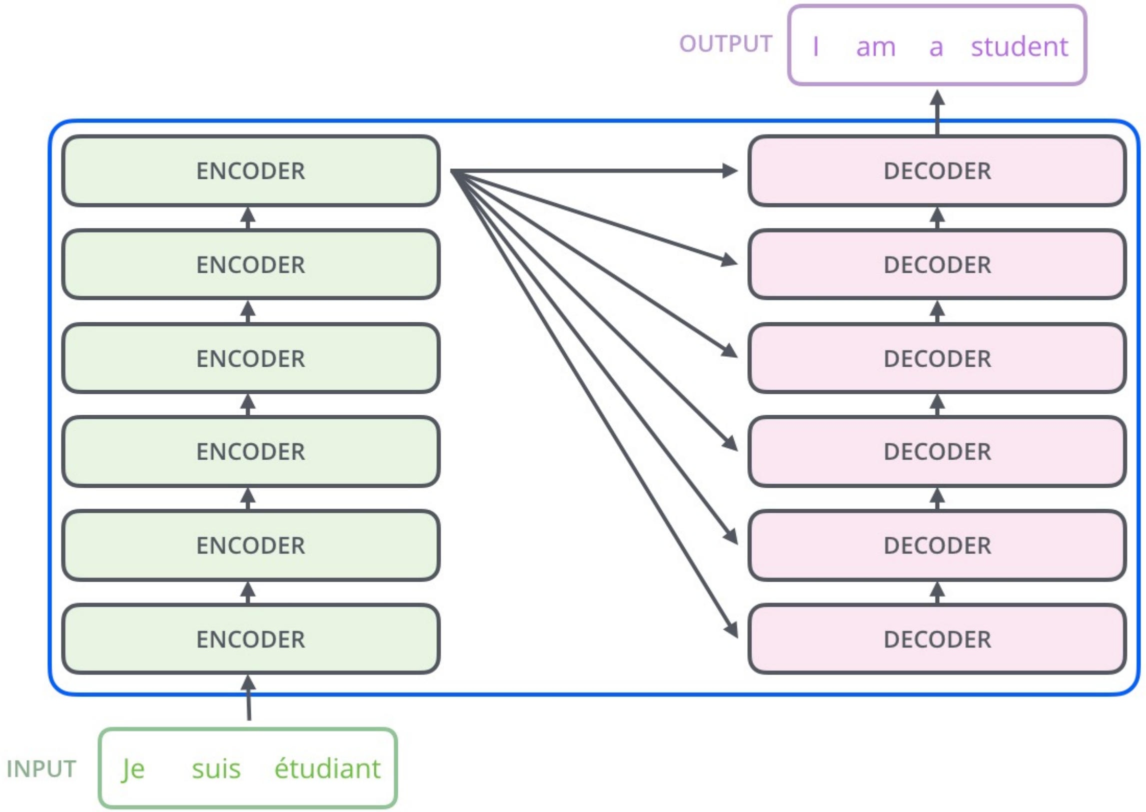

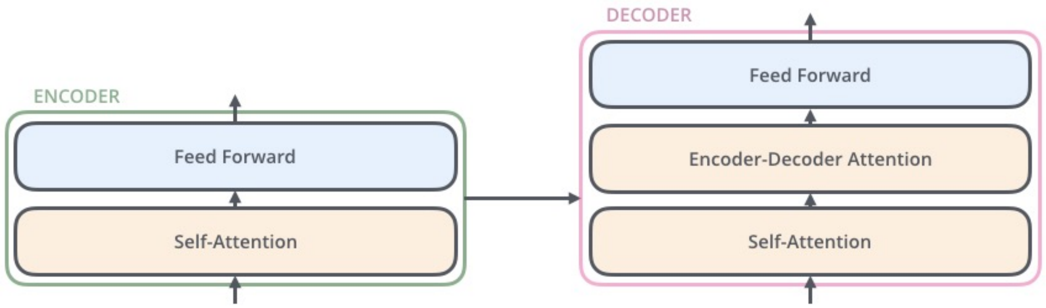

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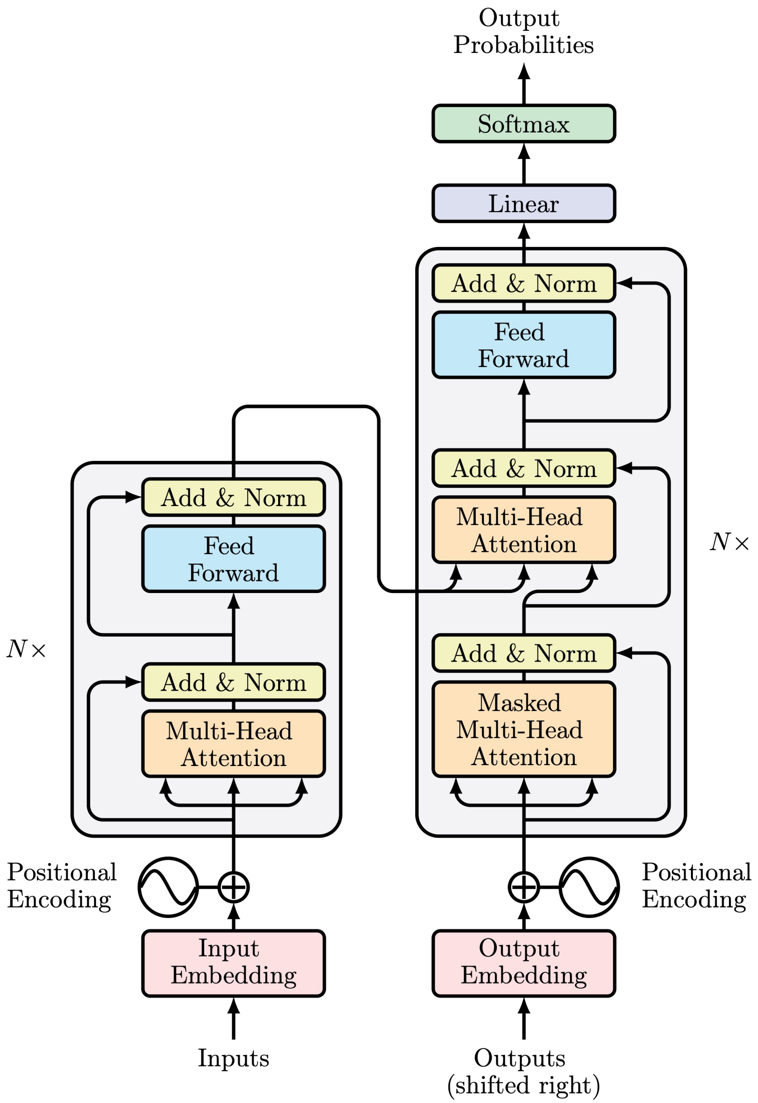

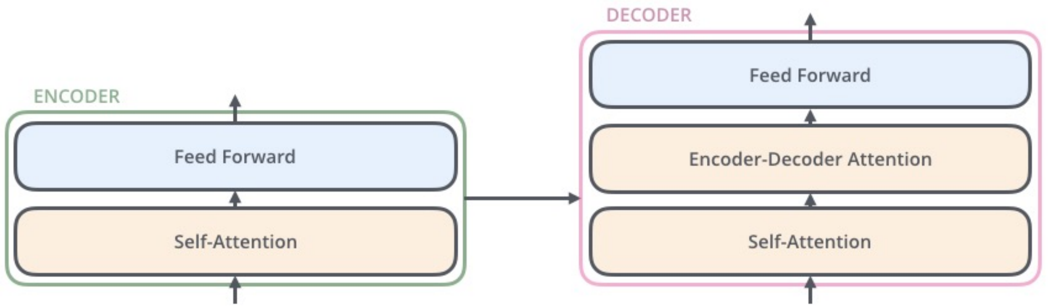

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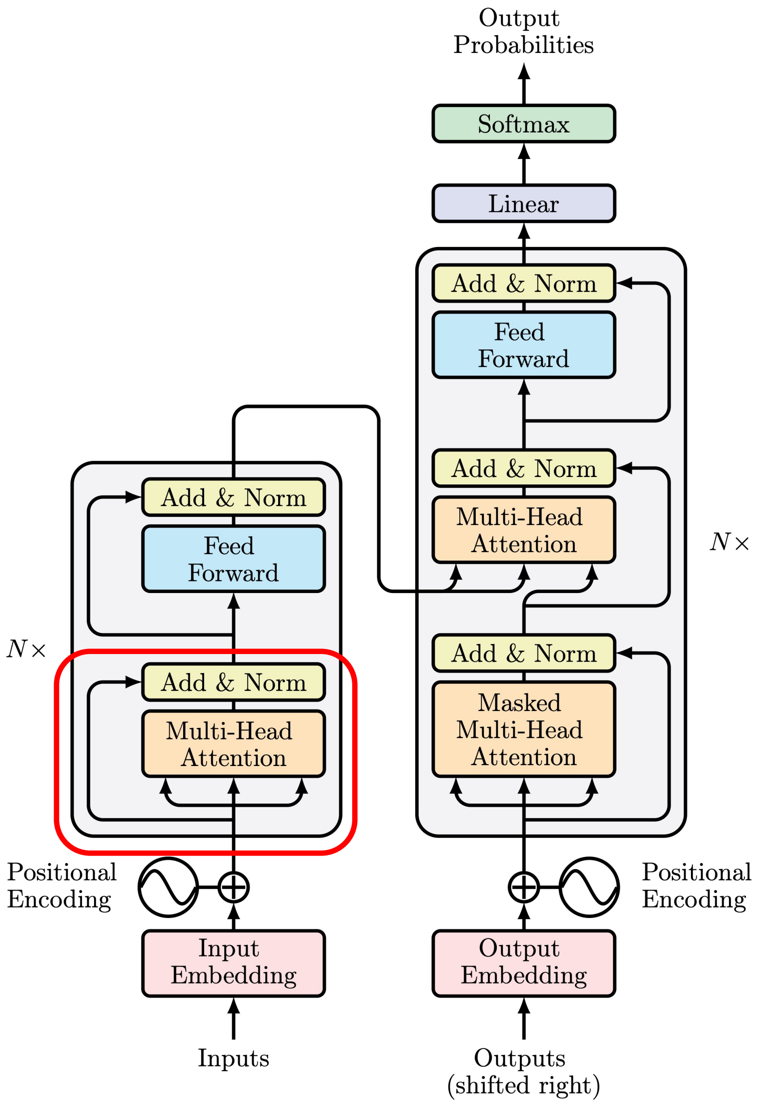

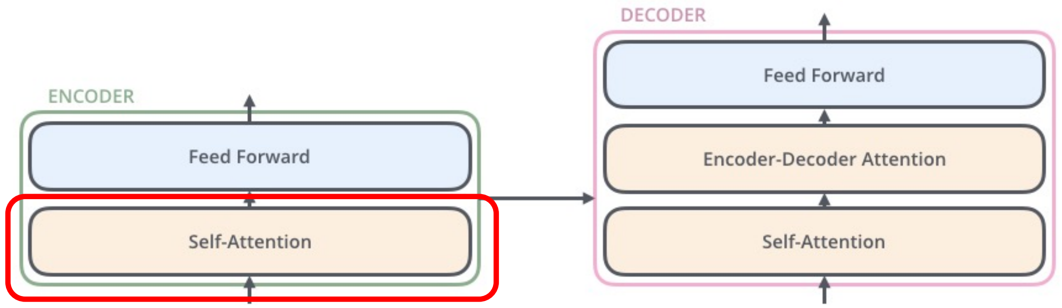

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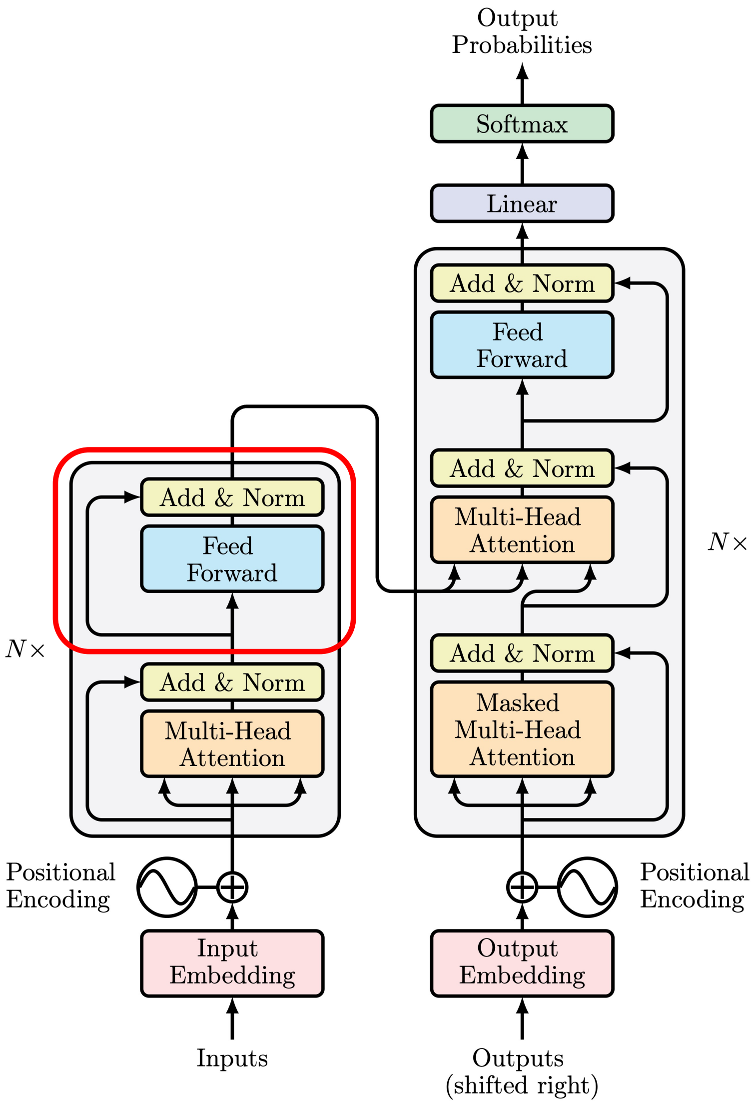

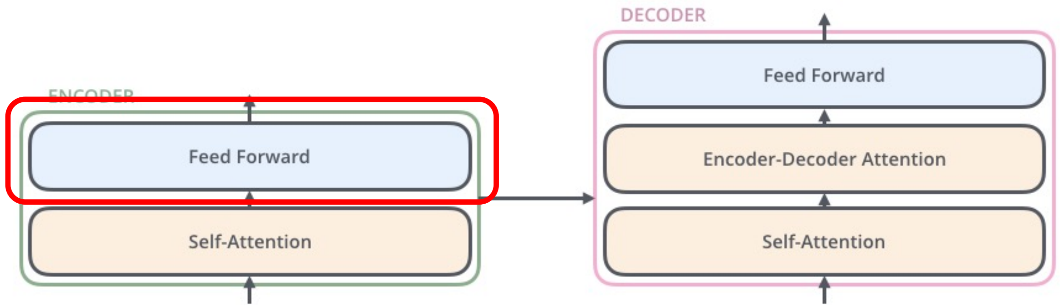

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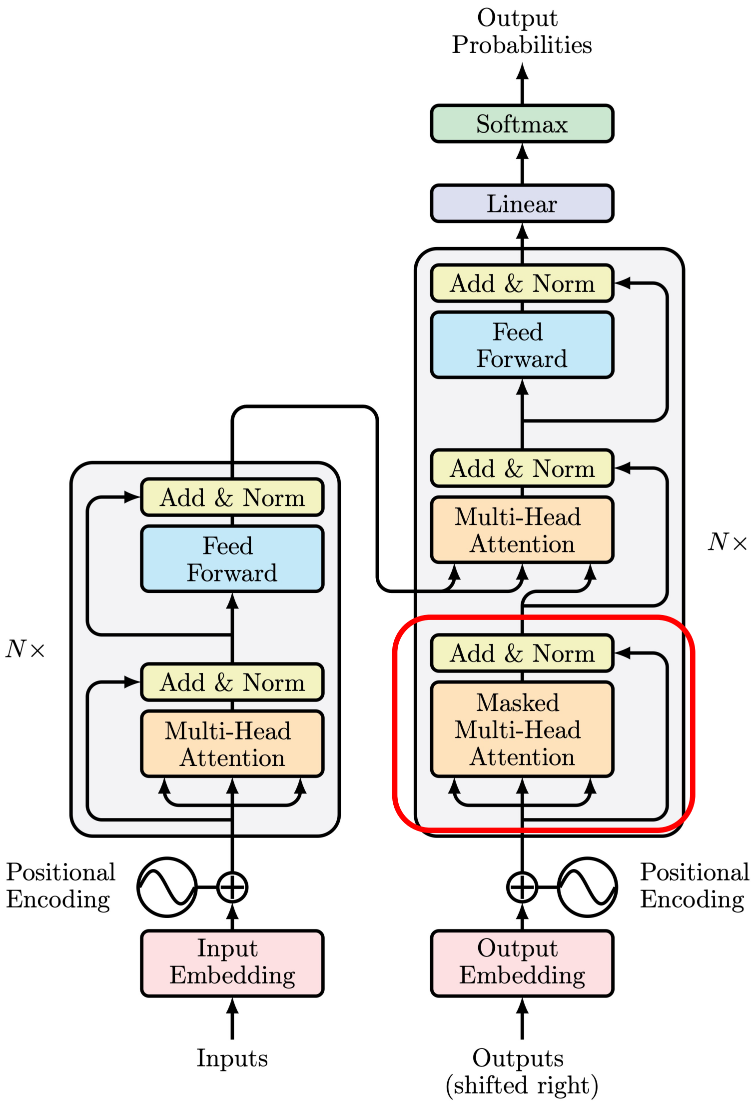

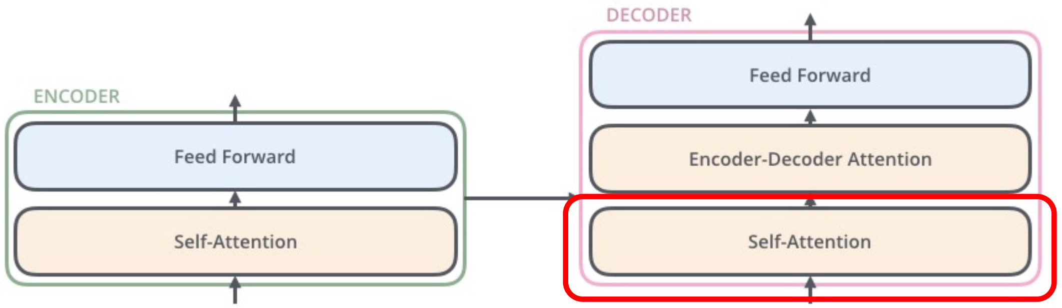

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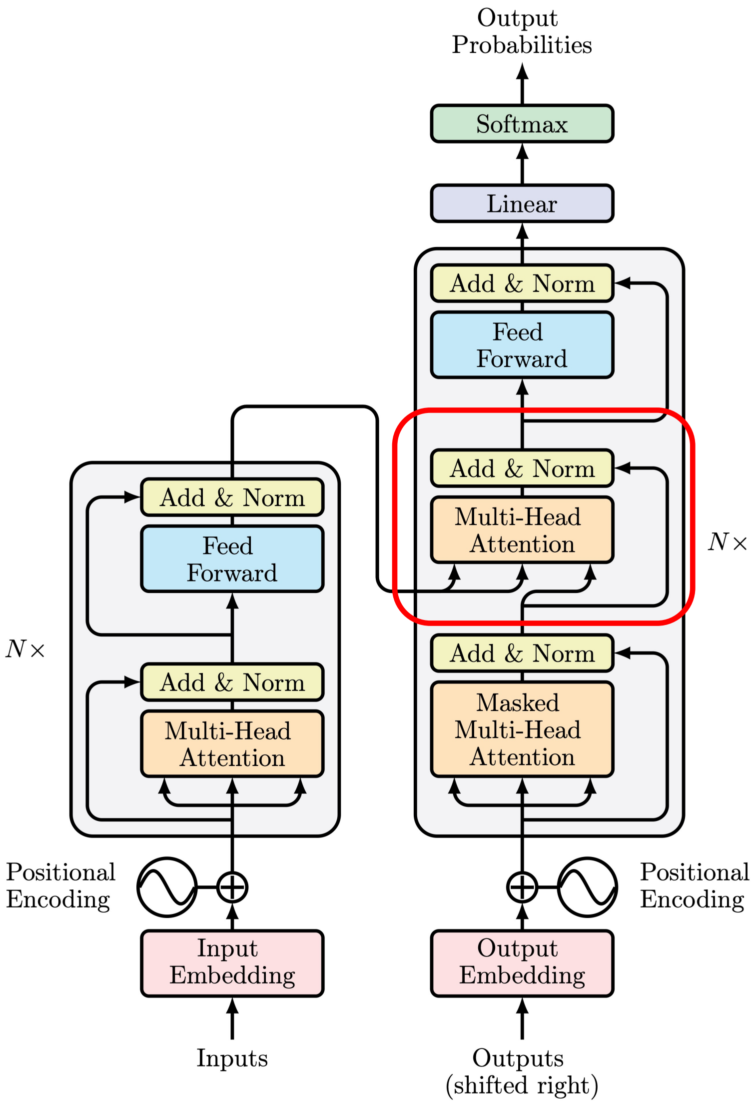

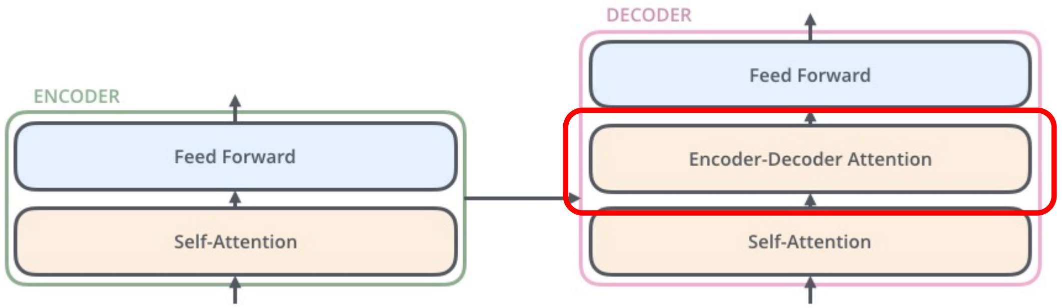

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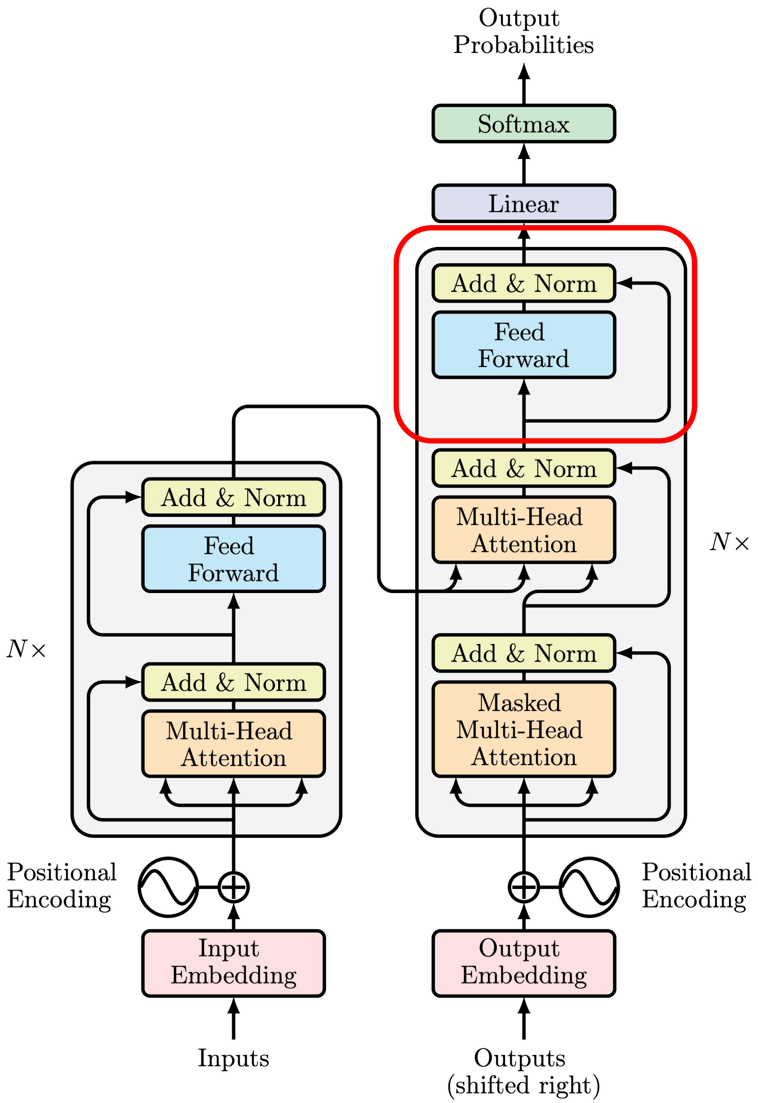

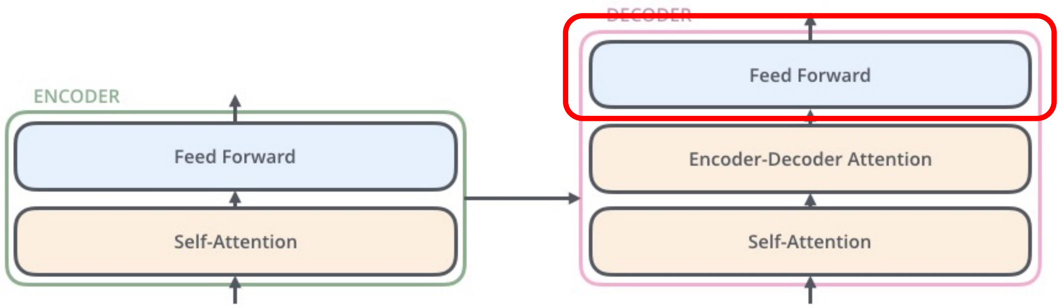

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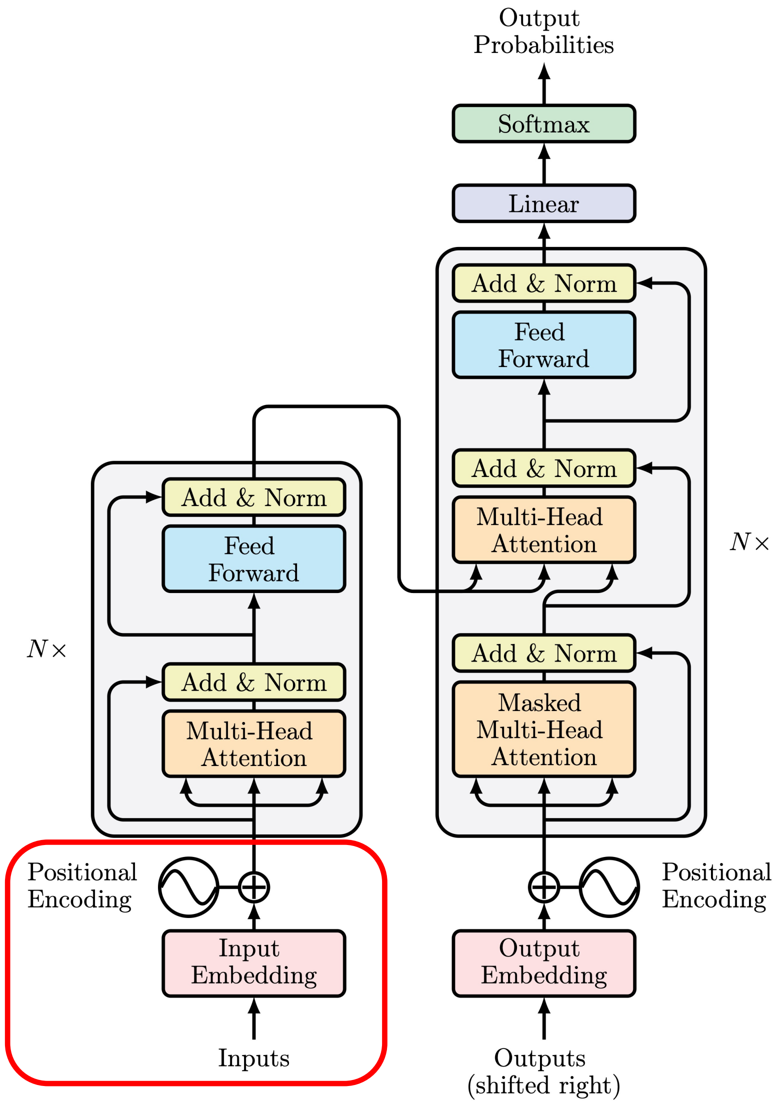

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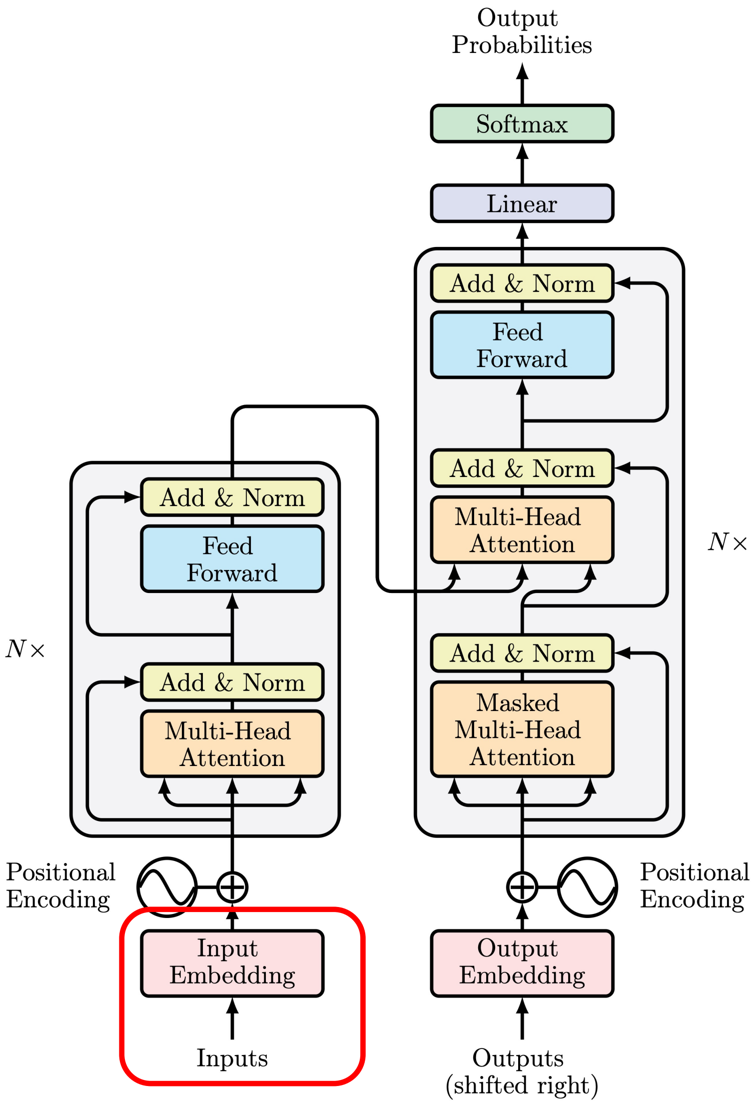

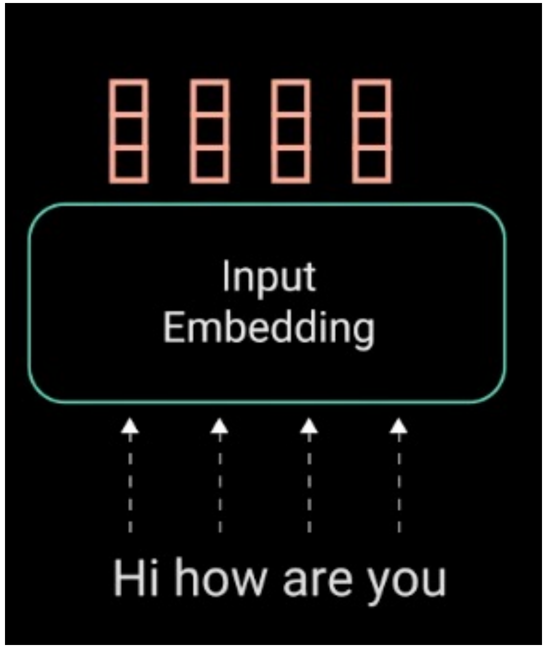

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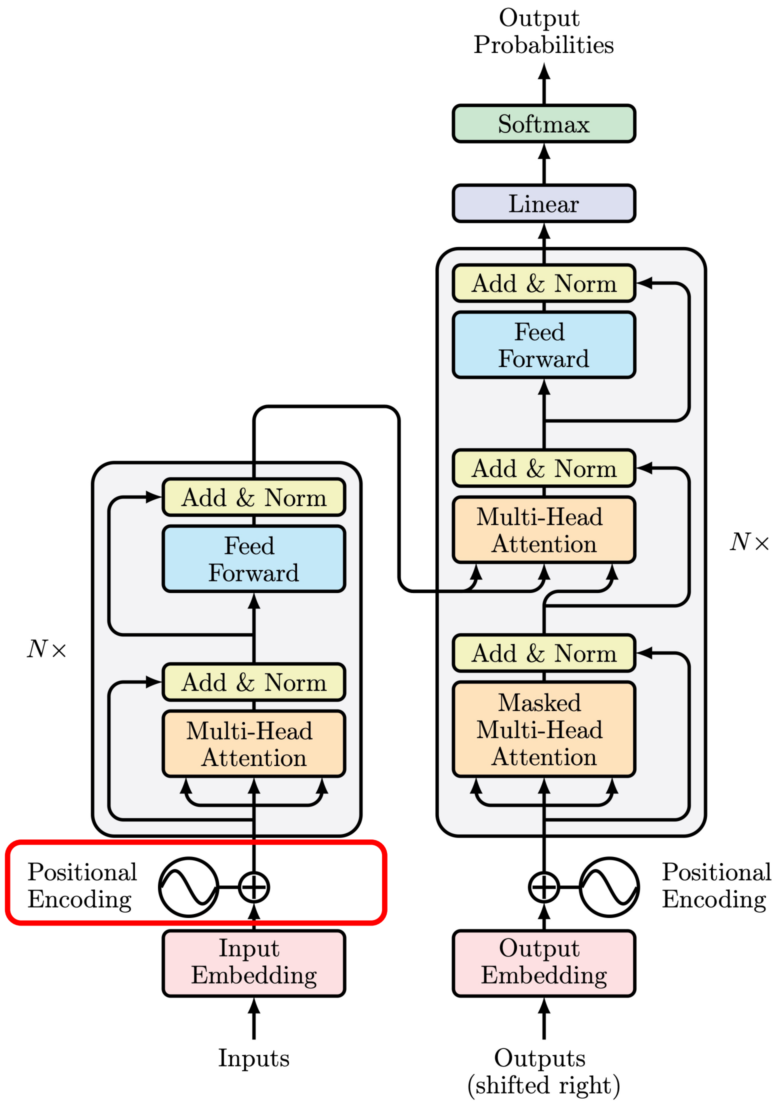

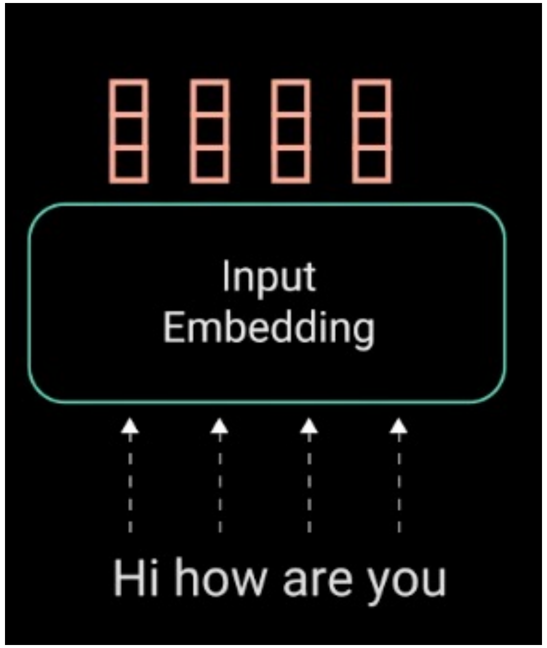

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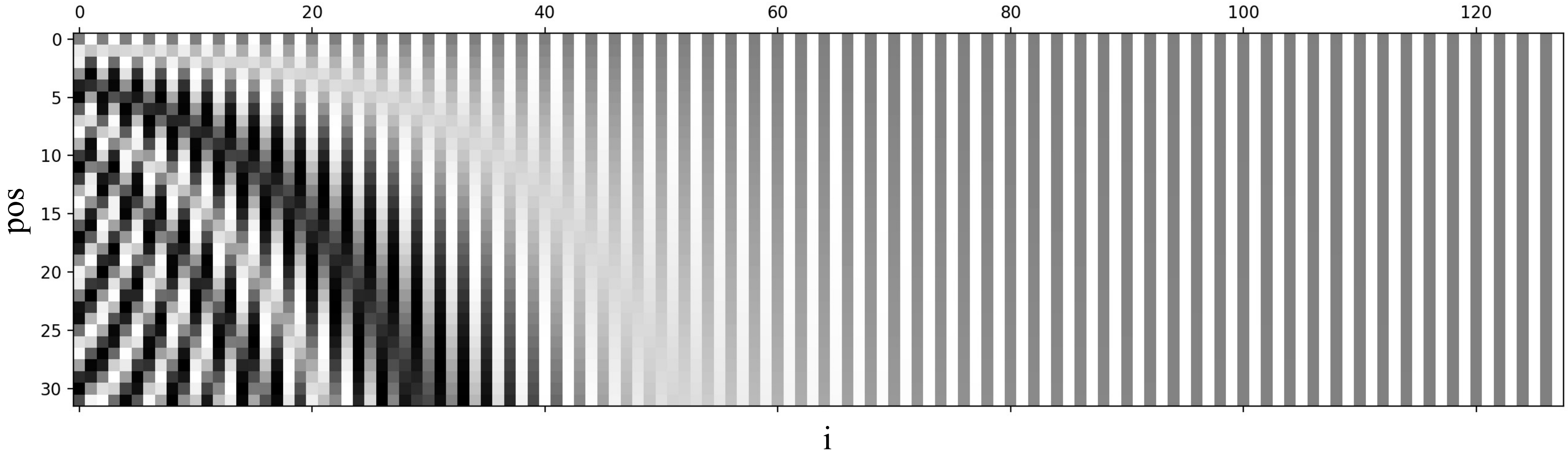

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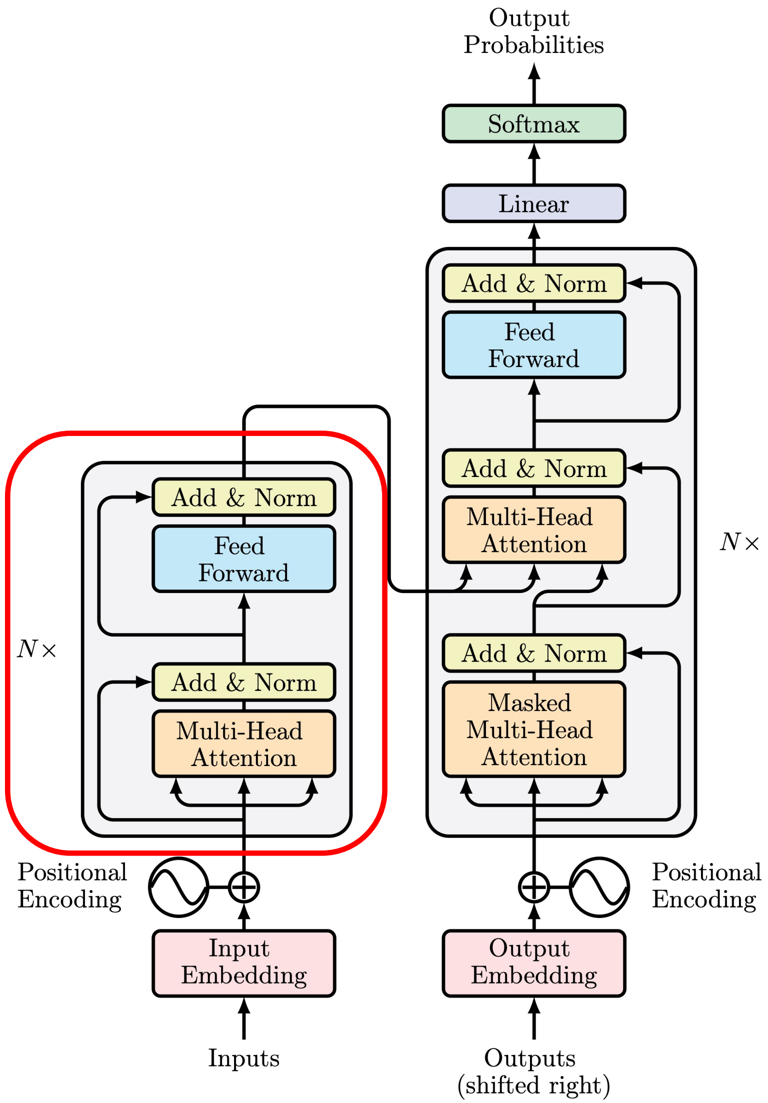

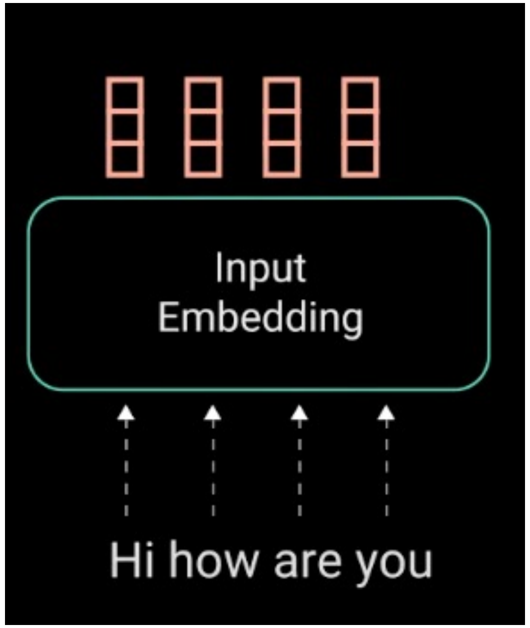

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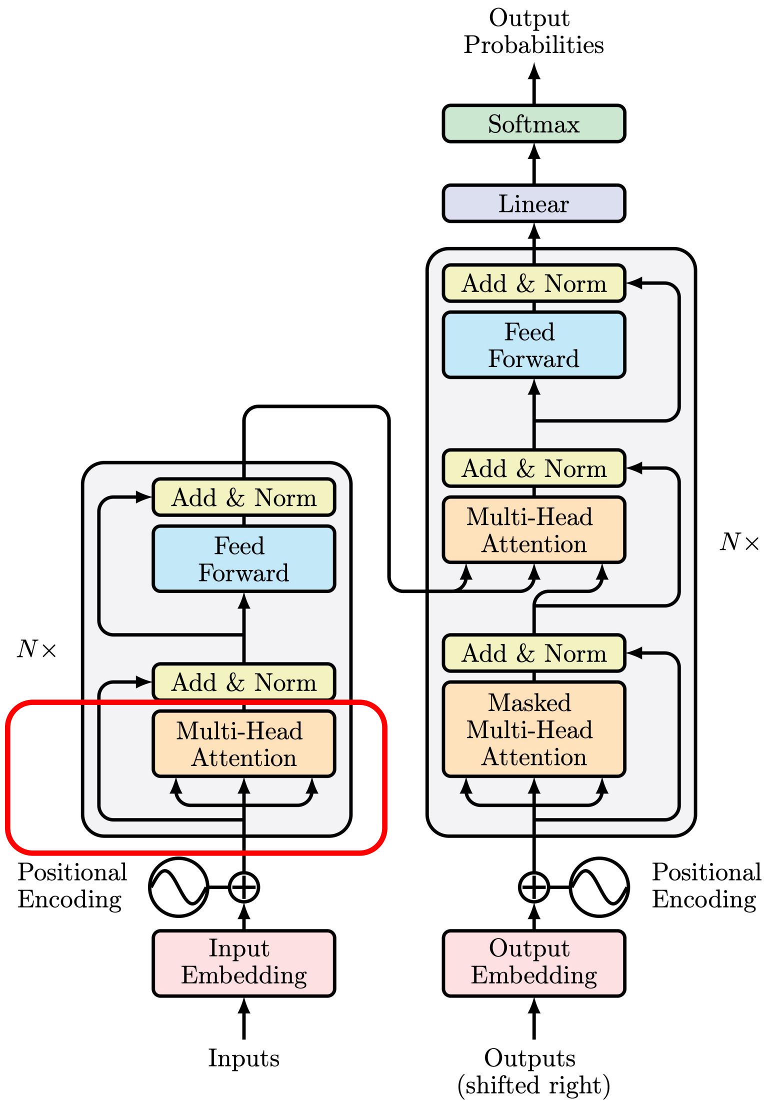

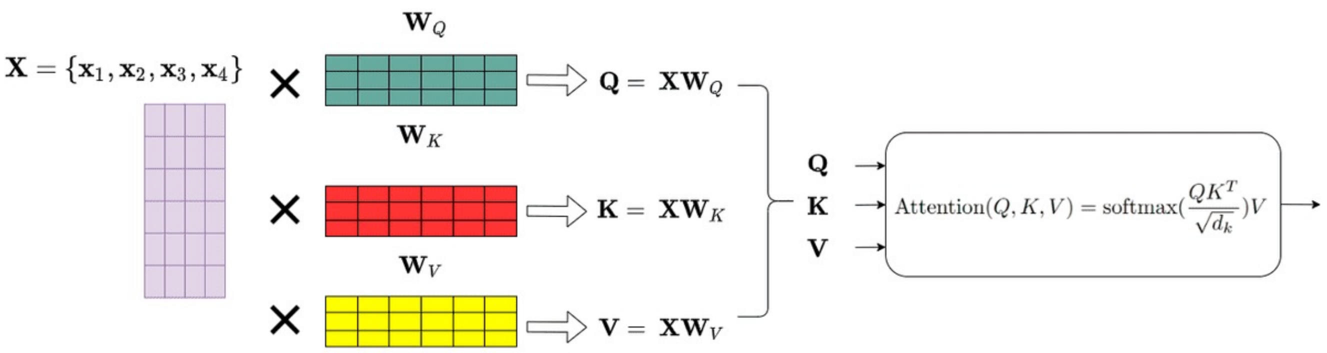

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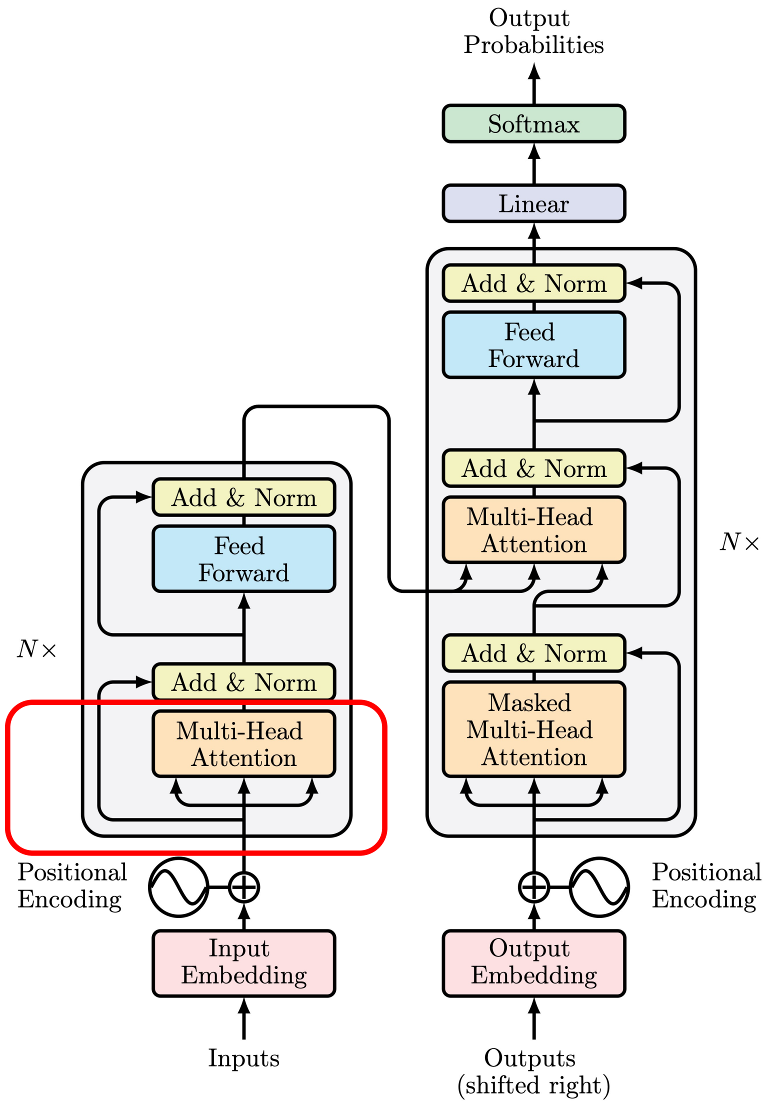

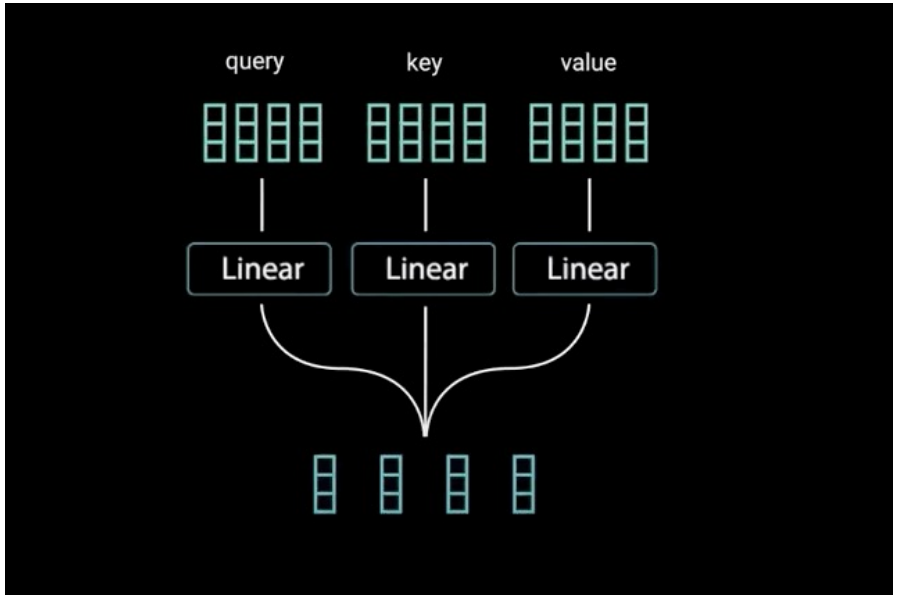

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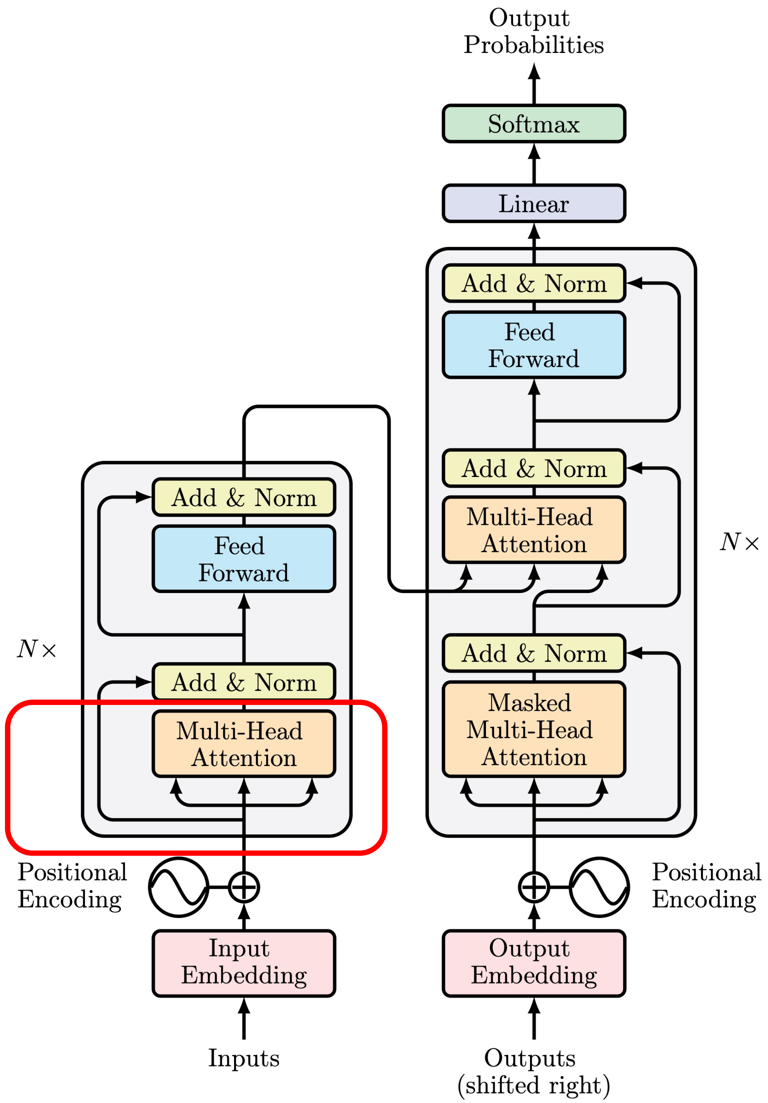

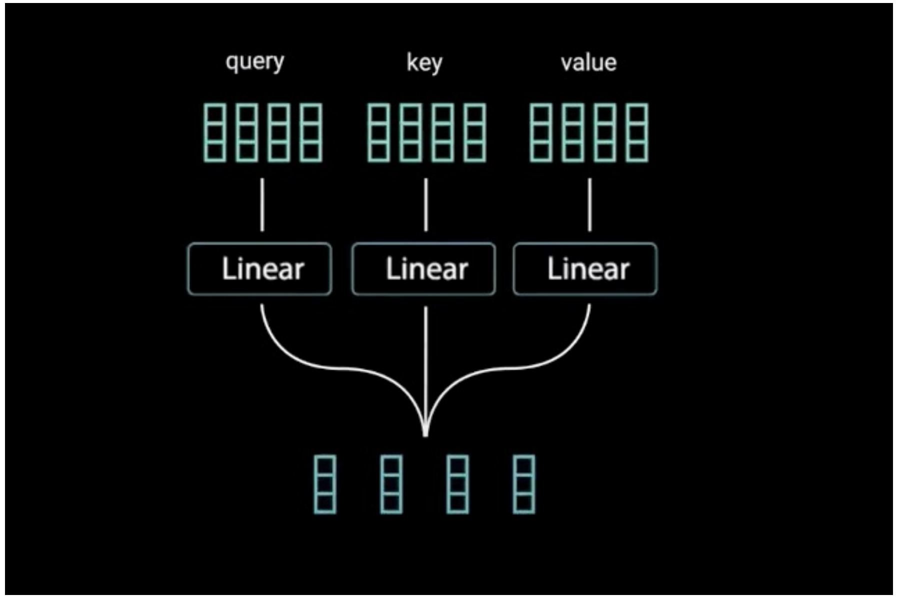

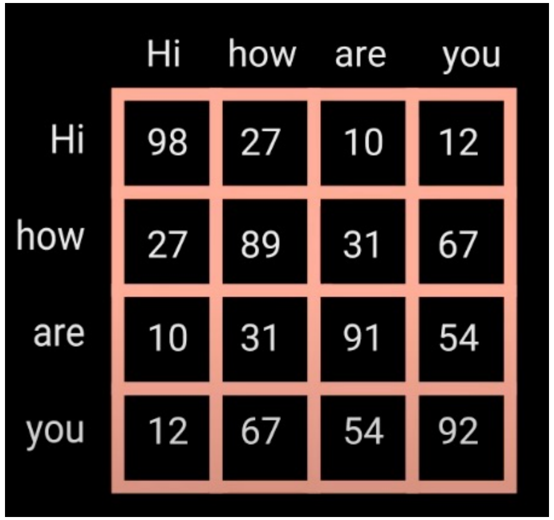

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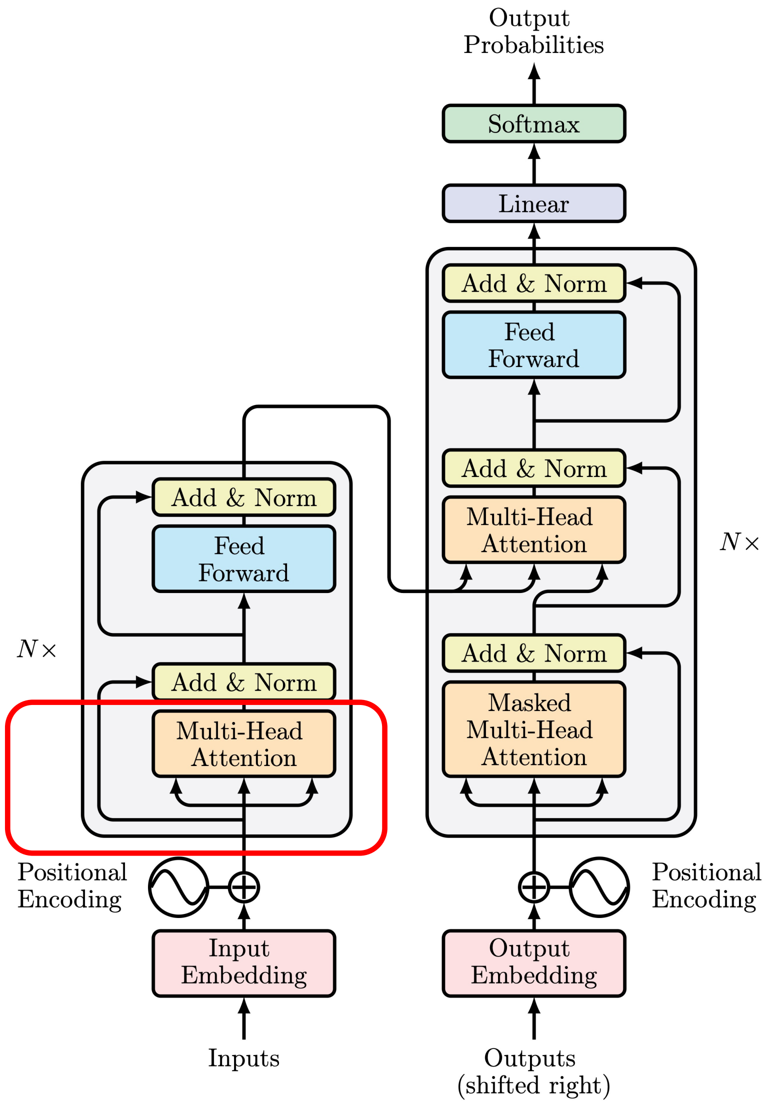

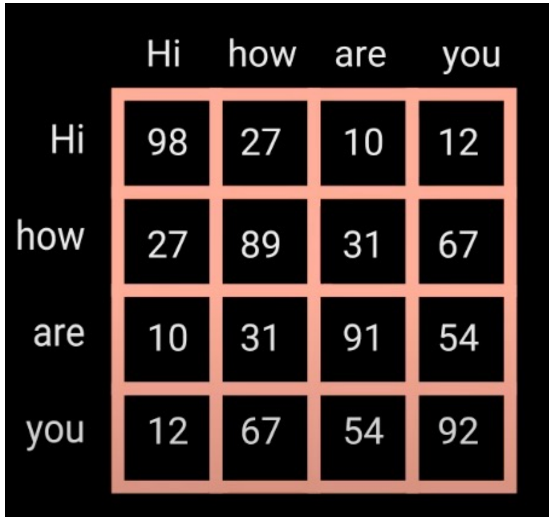

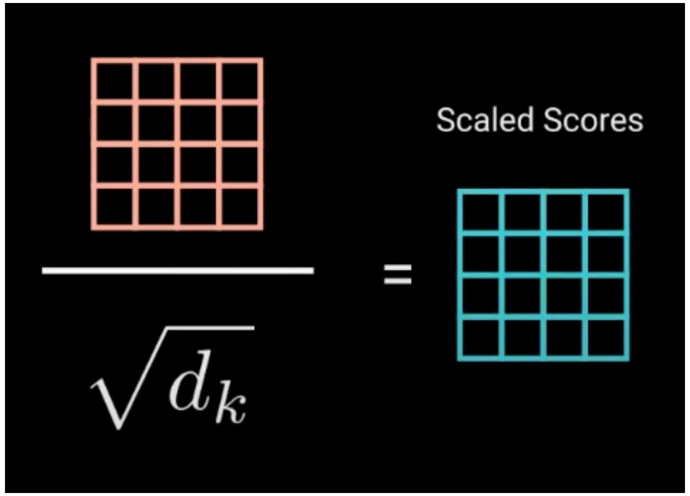

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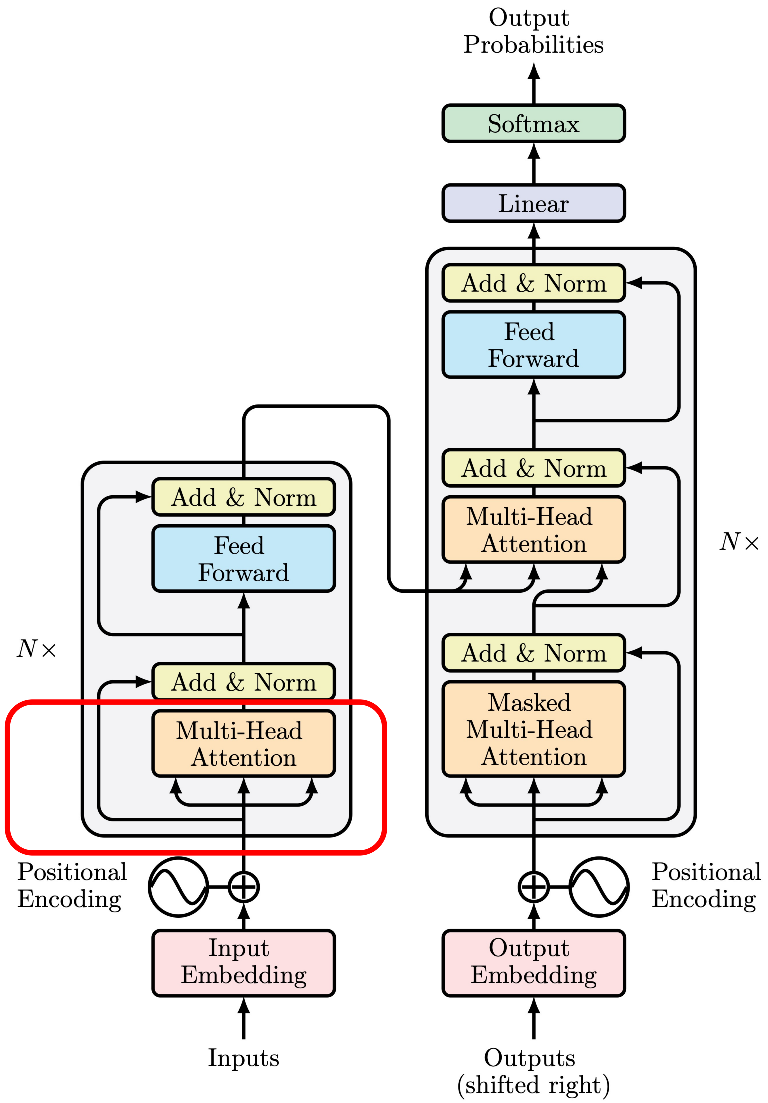

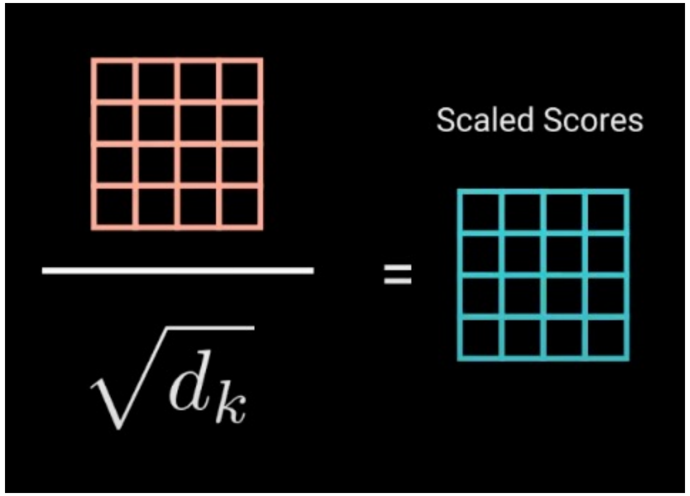

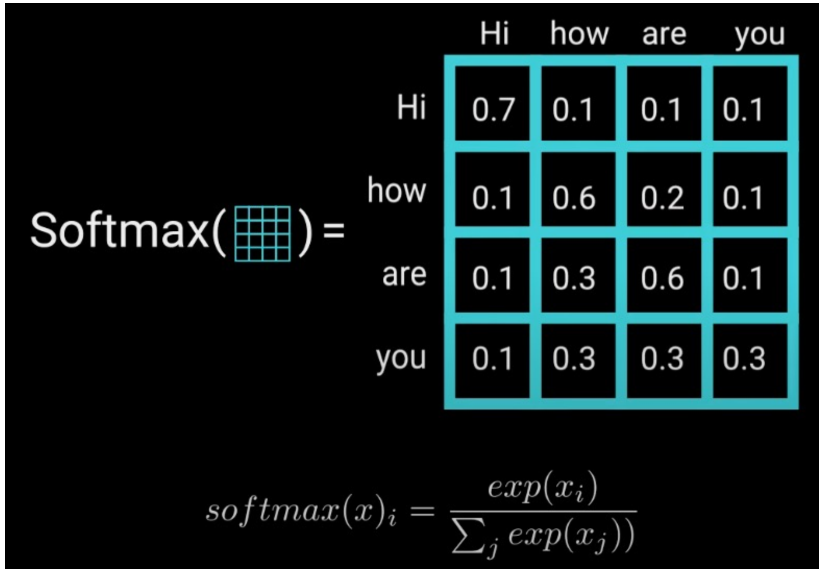

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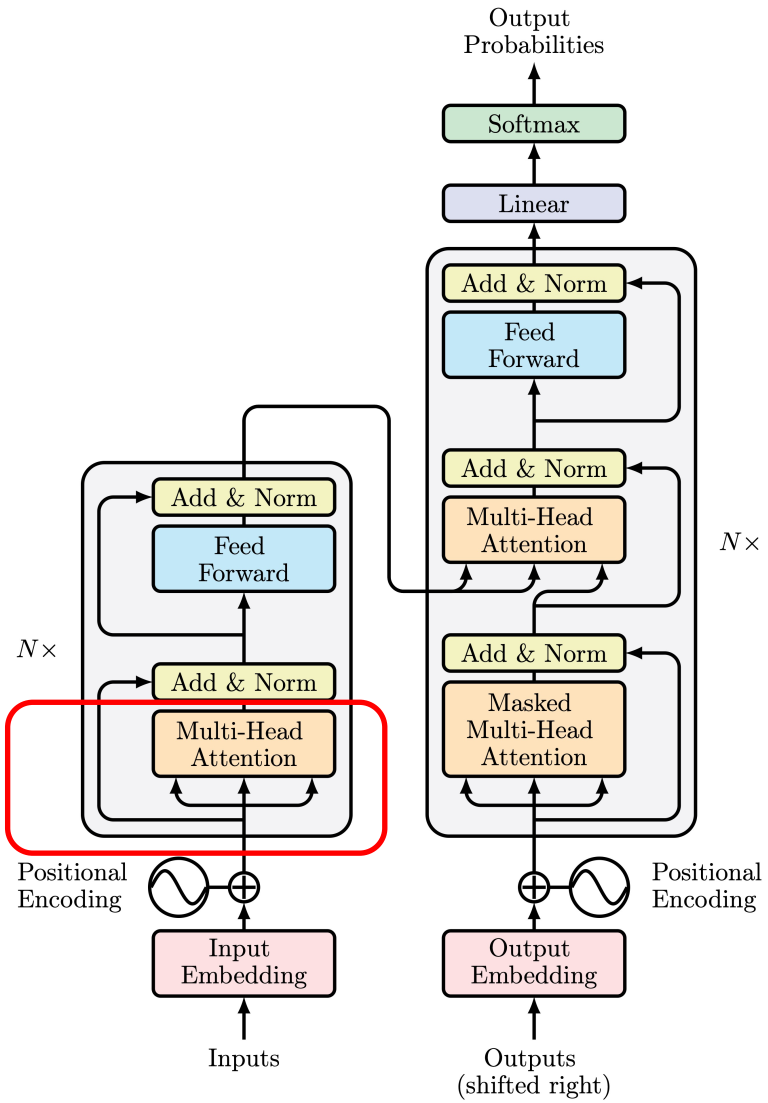

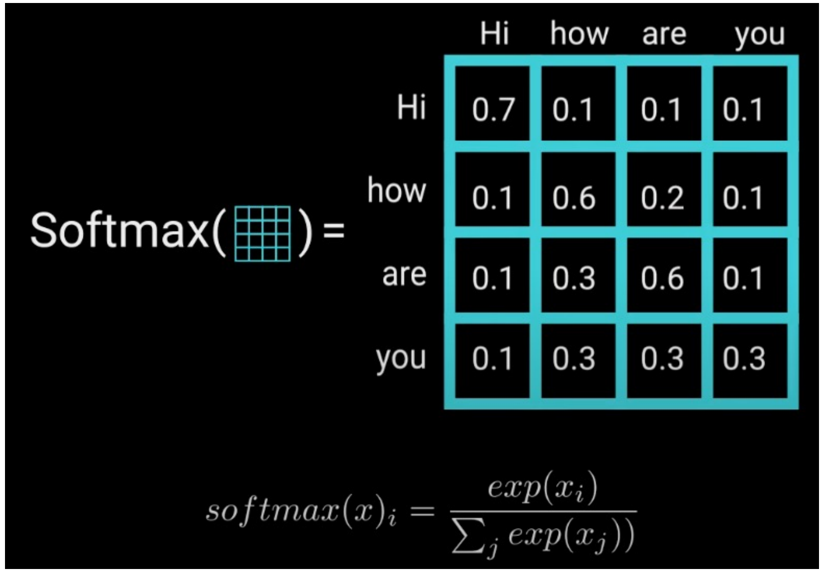

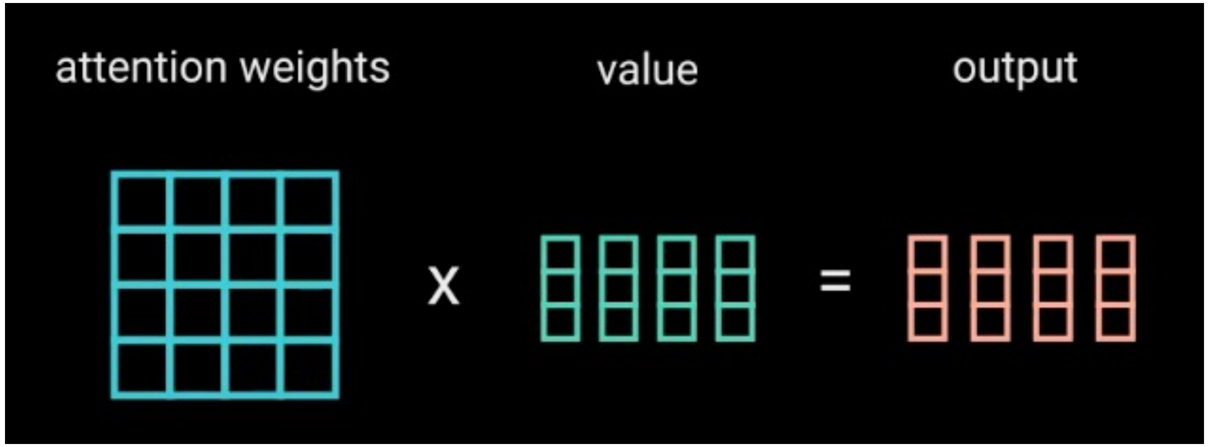

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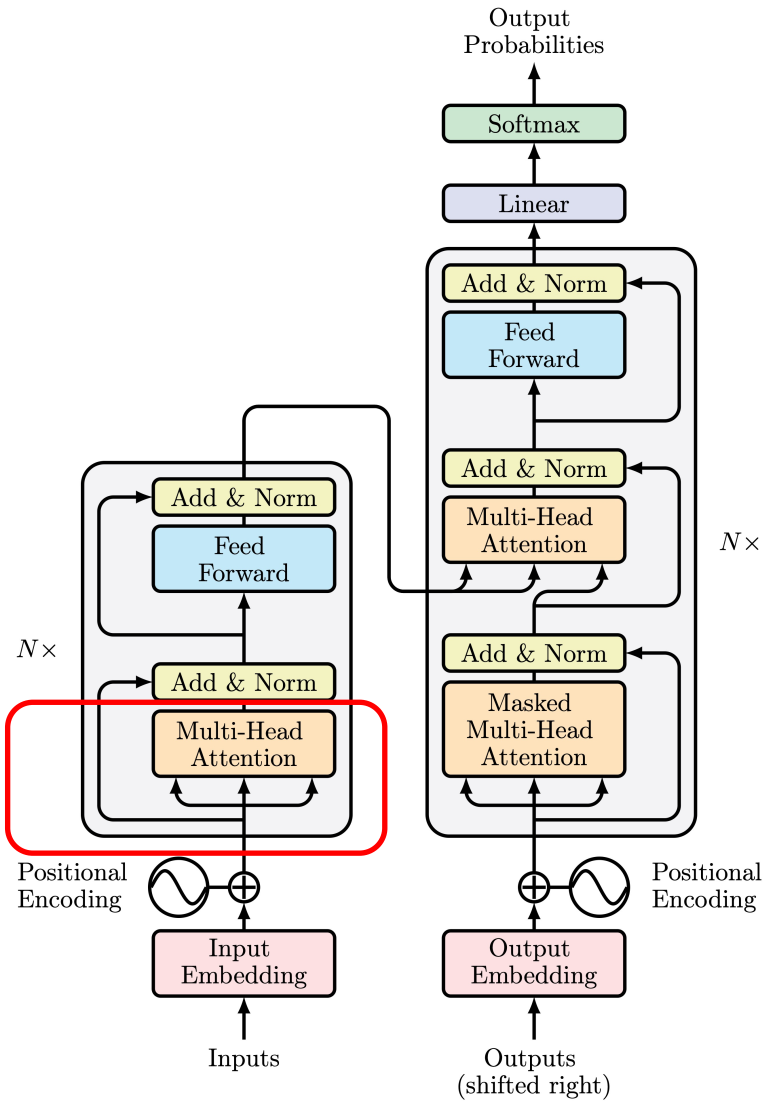

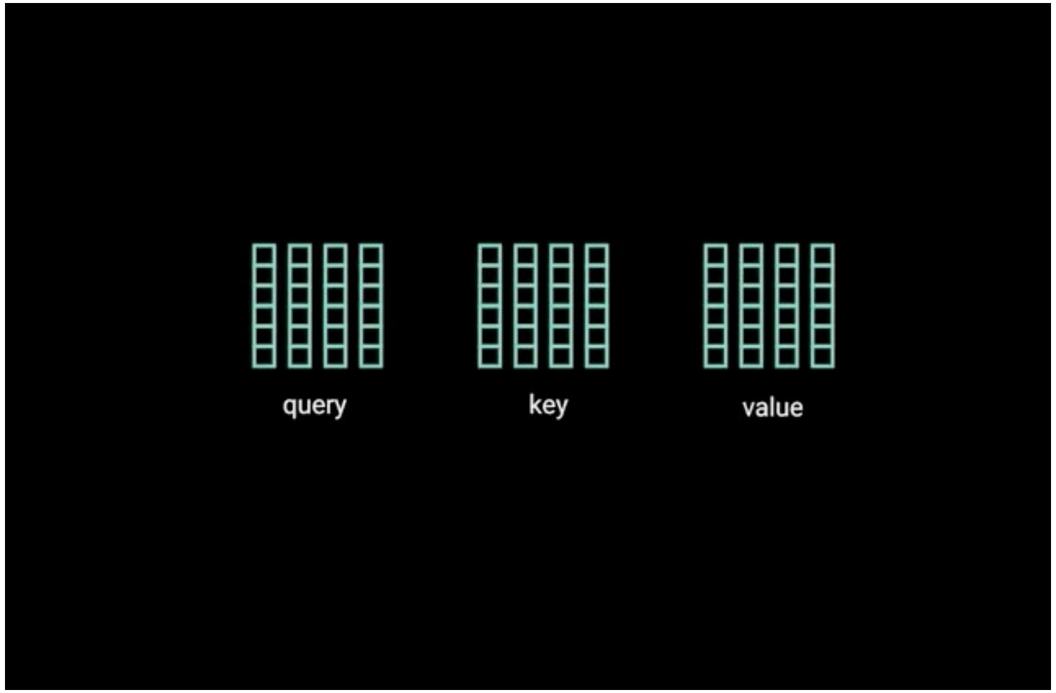

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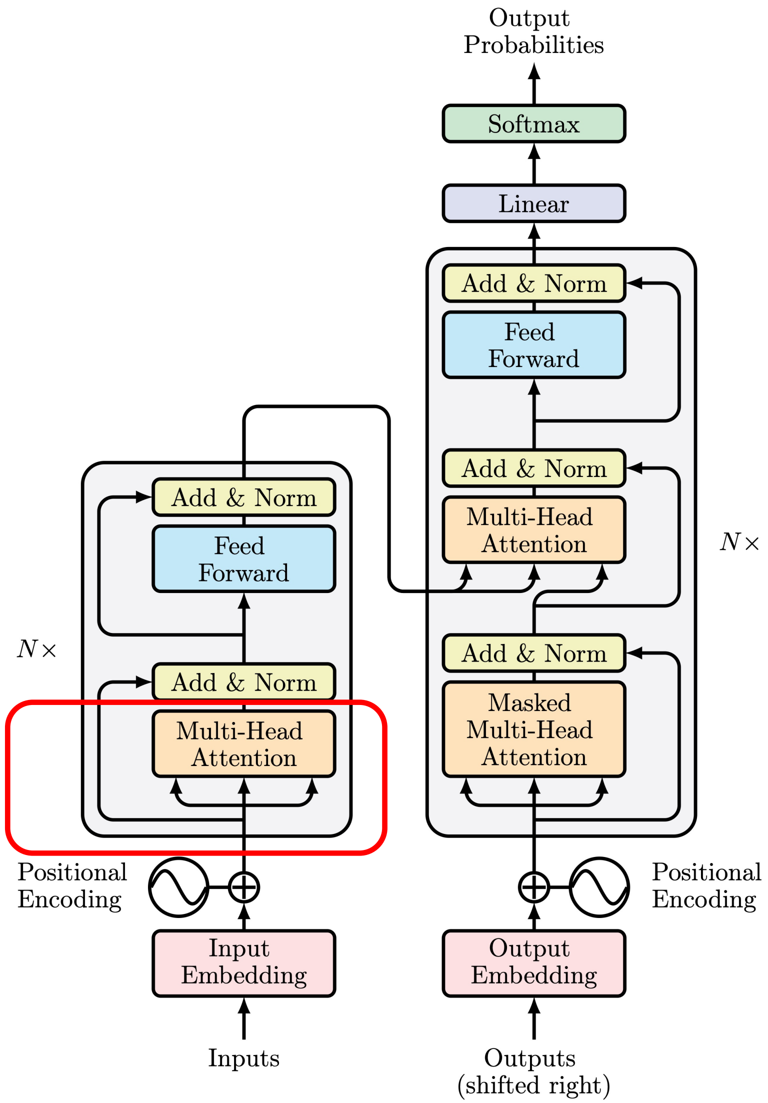
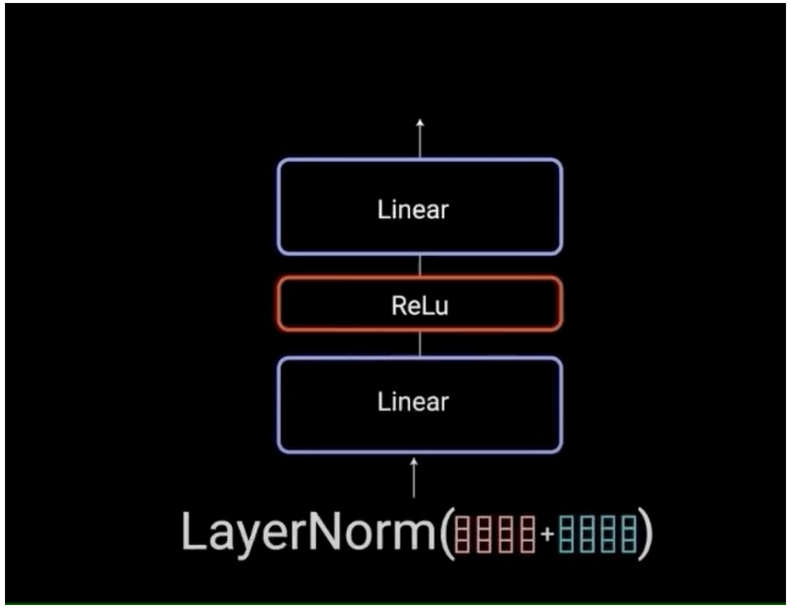
Layer Norm & Residual Connection





$$\mu_i = \frac{1}{K}\sum_{k=1}^{K} x_{i,k}$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \frac{1}{K}\sum_{k=1}^{K} (x_{i,k} - \mu_i)^2$$

$$\hat{x}_{i,k} = \frac{x_{i,k} - \mu_i}{\sqrt{\sigma_i^2 + \epsilon}}$$

$$y_i = \gamma \hat{x}_i + \beta \equiv \mathrm{LN}_{\gamma,\beta}(x_i)$$

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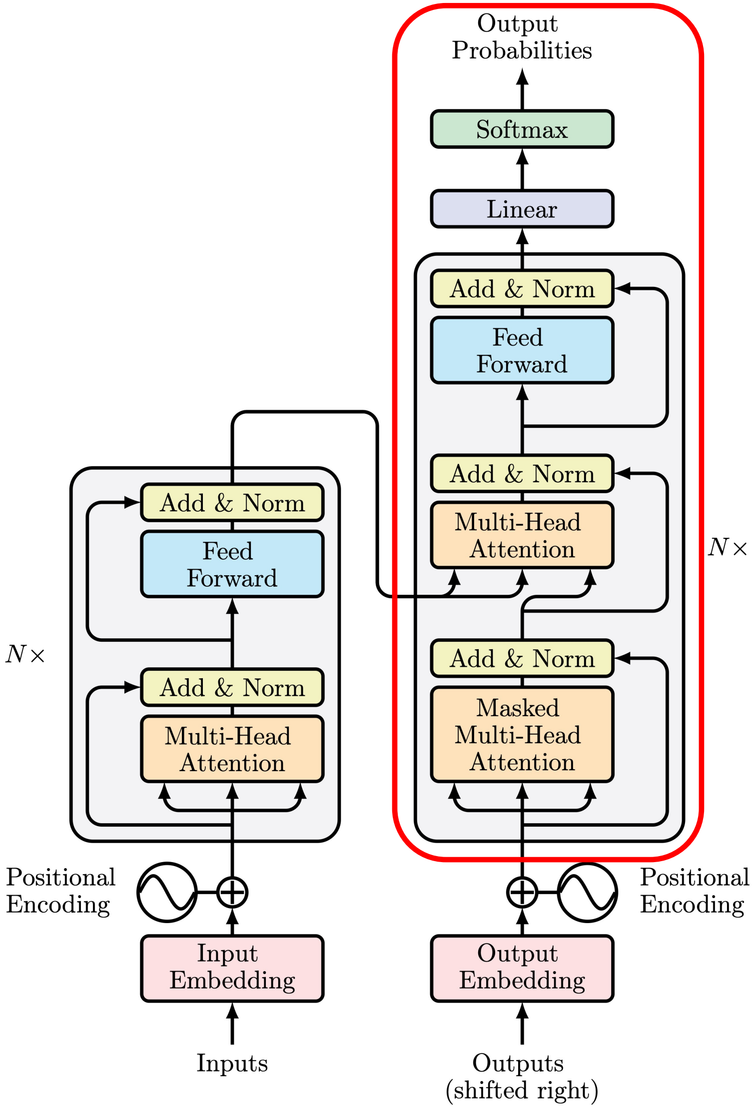

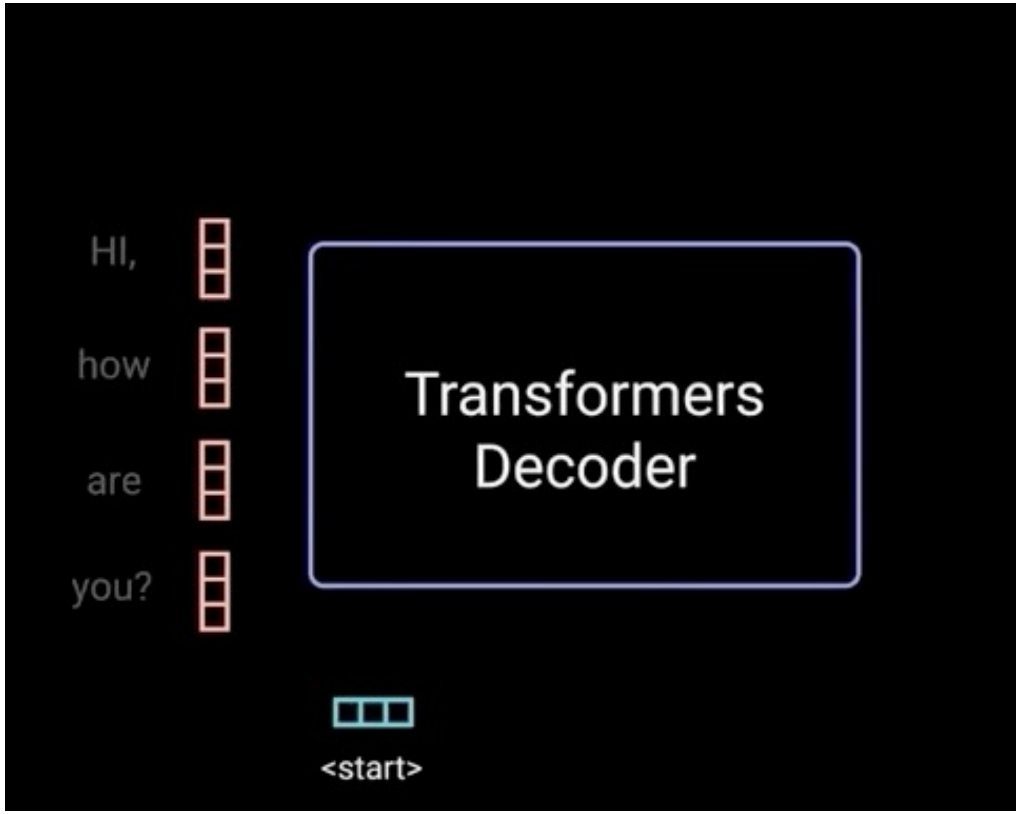

For certain applications like language models, decoder should be autoregressive!

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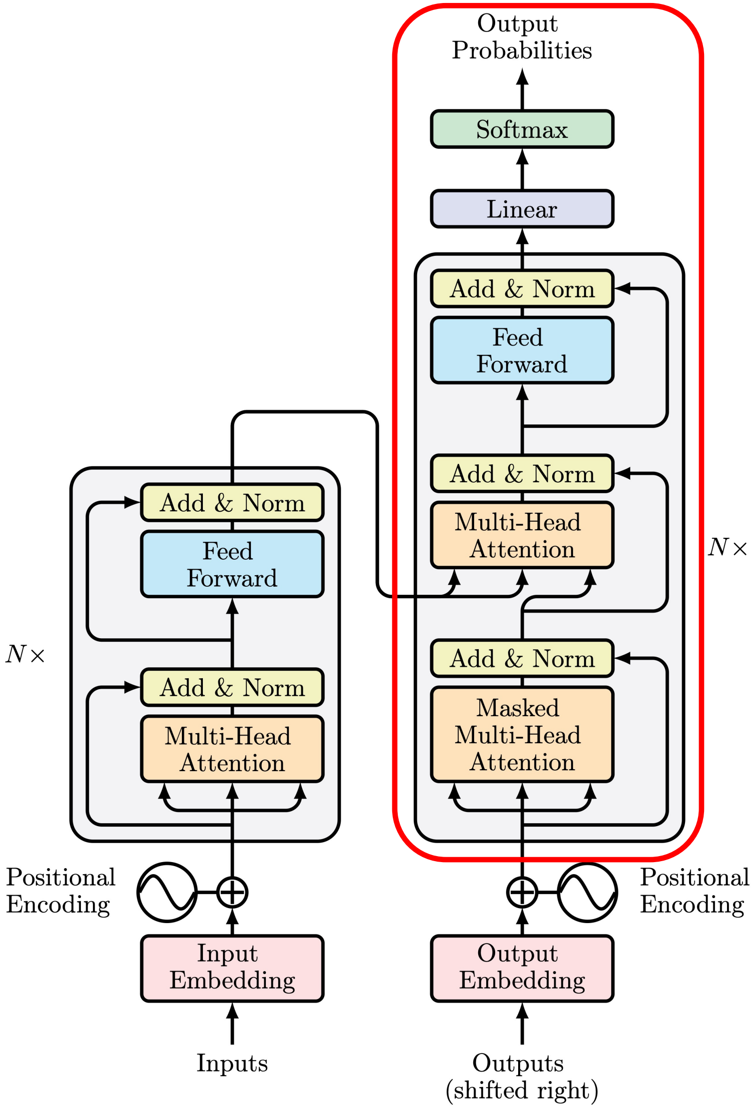

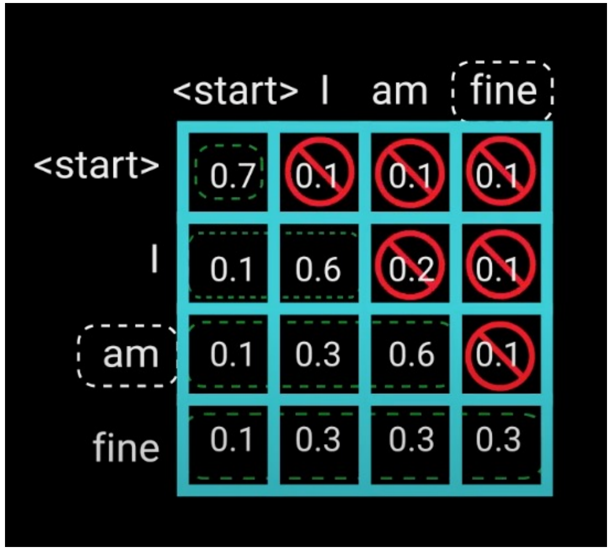

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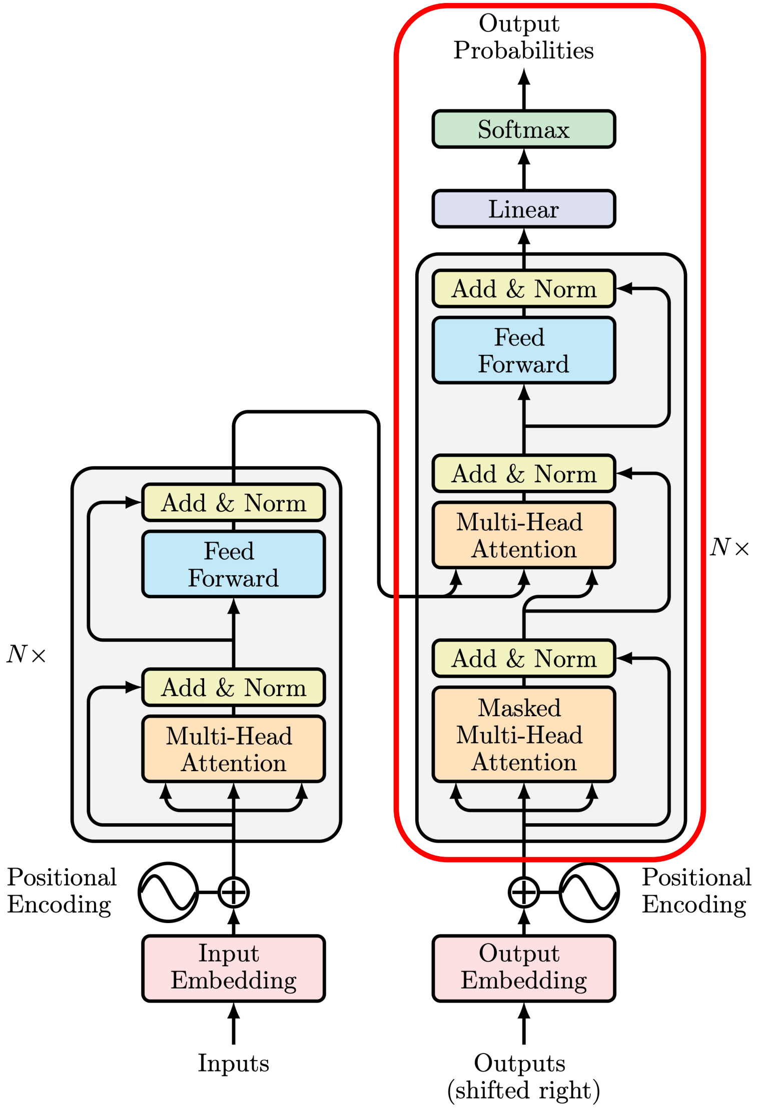

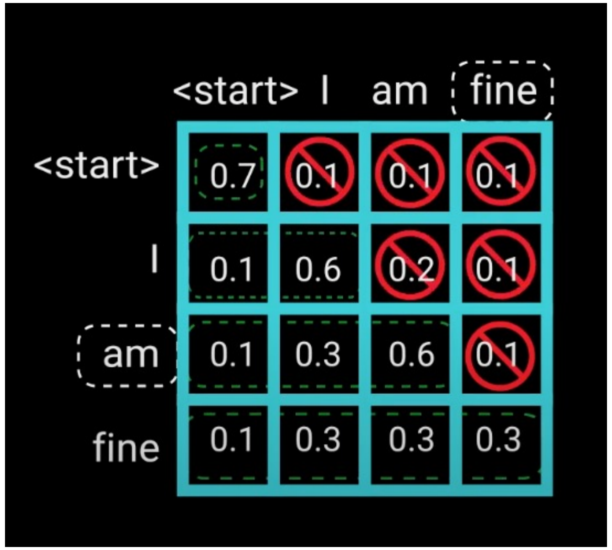

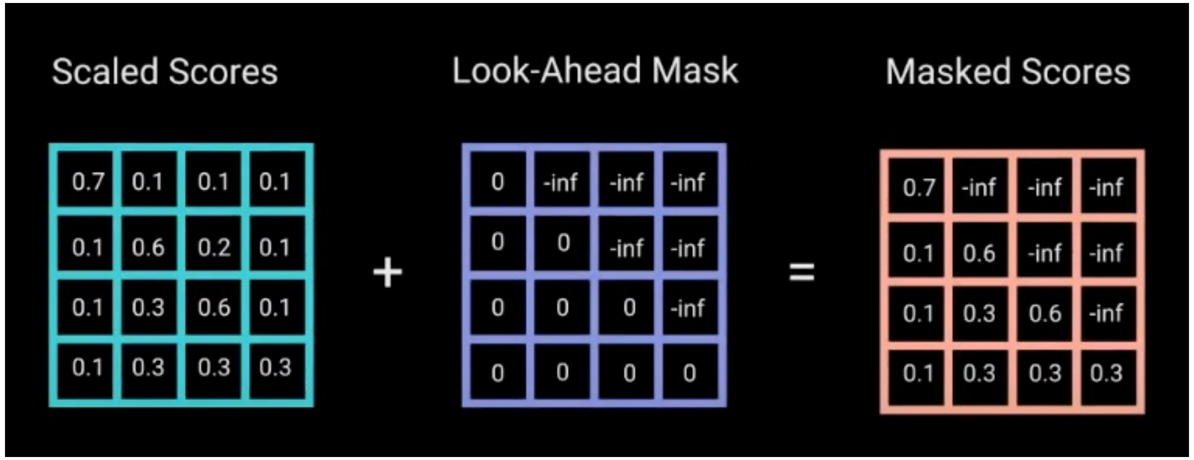

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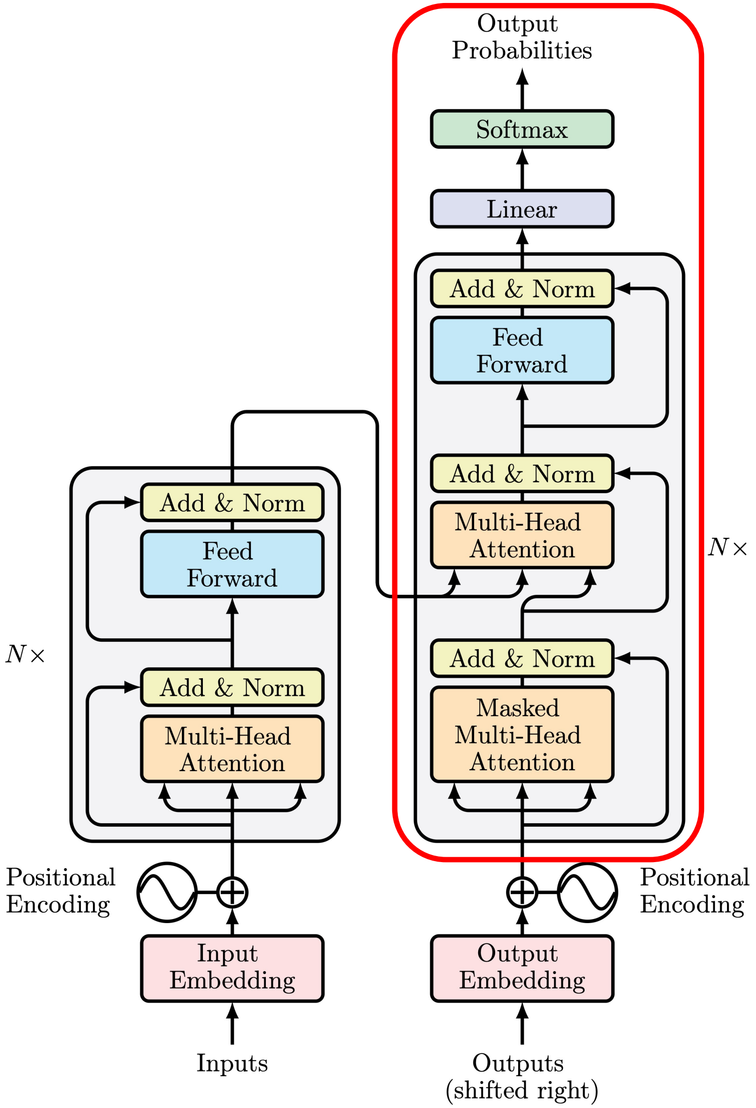
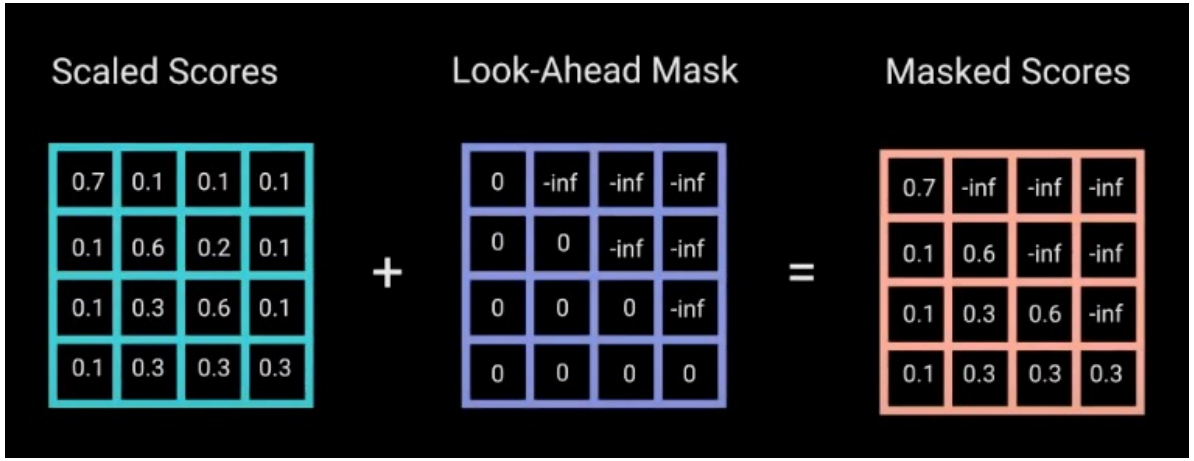




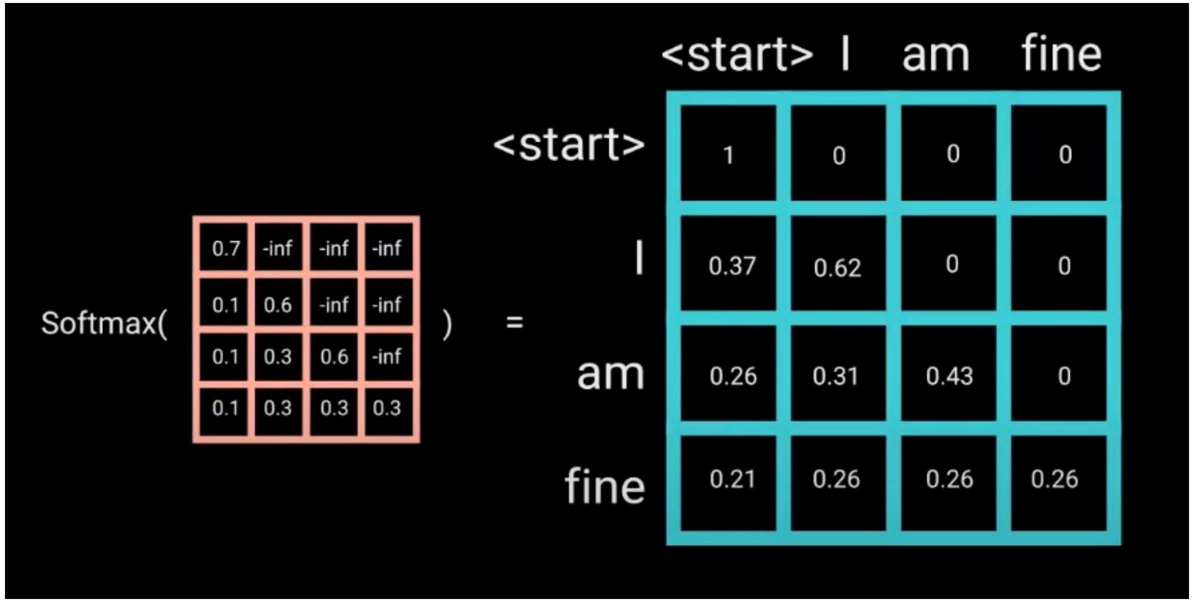
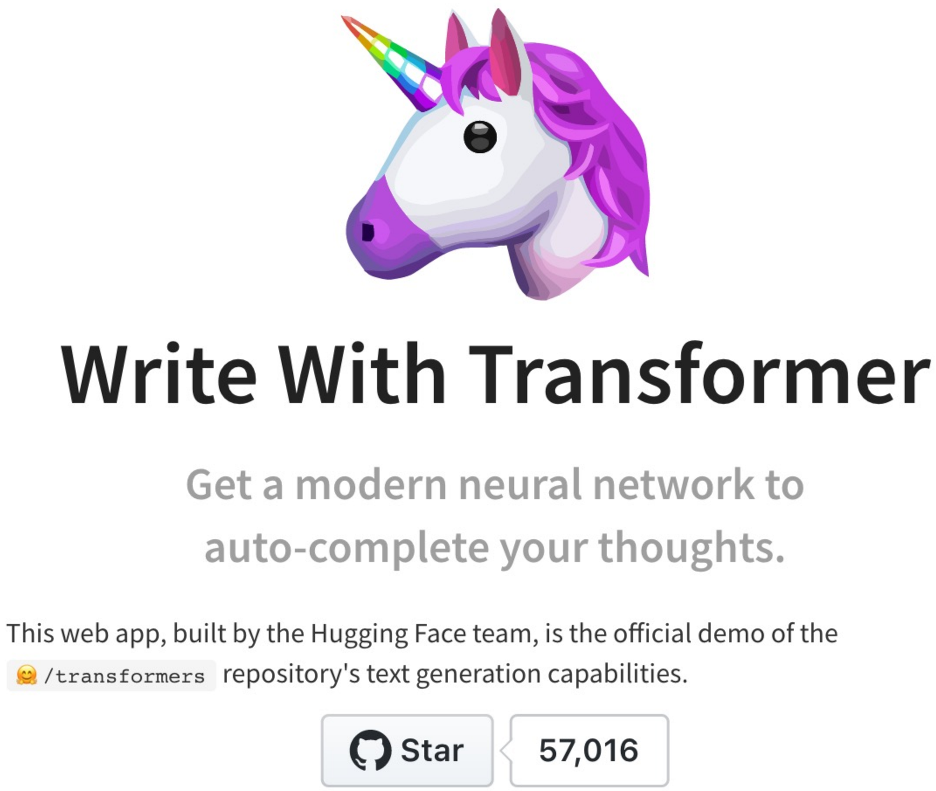


Image Credit: [6] & https://towardsdatascience.com/illustrated-guide-to-transformers-step-by-step-explanation-f74876522bc0

Hugging Face Demos

https://transformer.huggingface.co/



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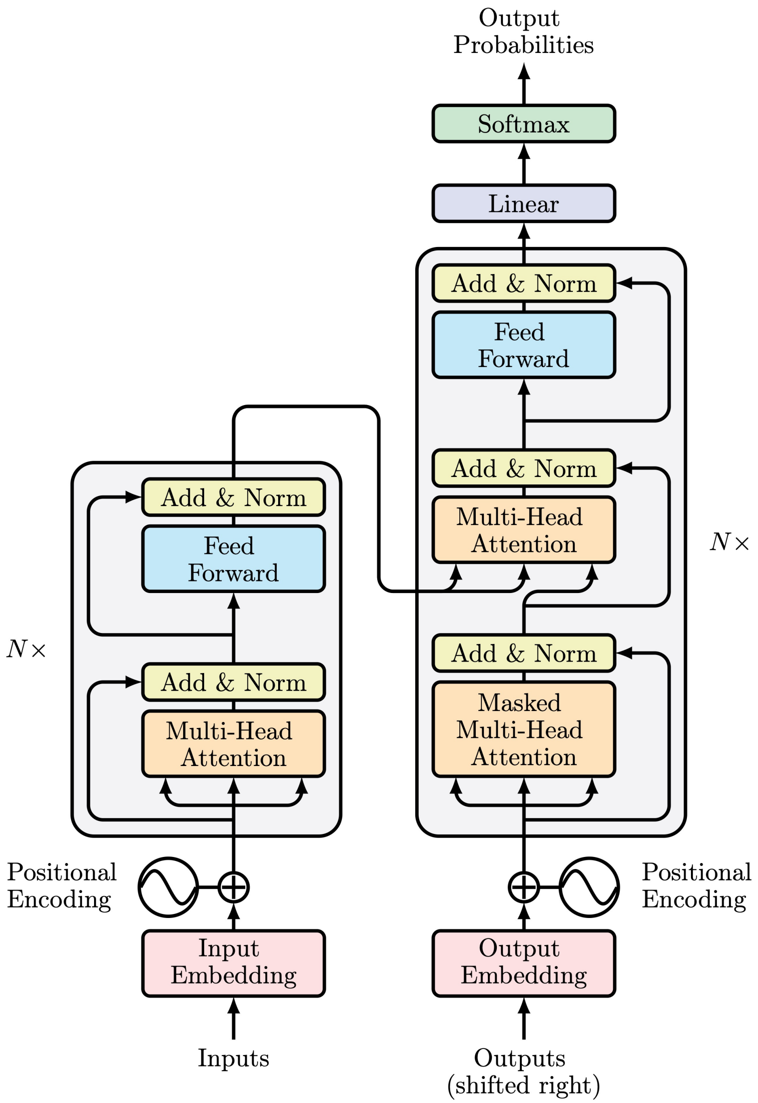
Extensions: Vision Transformer

Image Credit: [8] & https://github.com/lucidrains/vit-pytorch

Limitations



- O(L^2) time/memory cost for self-attention
- How can we incorporate prior knowledge into attention rather than having a fully connected attention?
  - Encourage sparse attention
  - Inject known graph structures
  - ……

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Questions?