

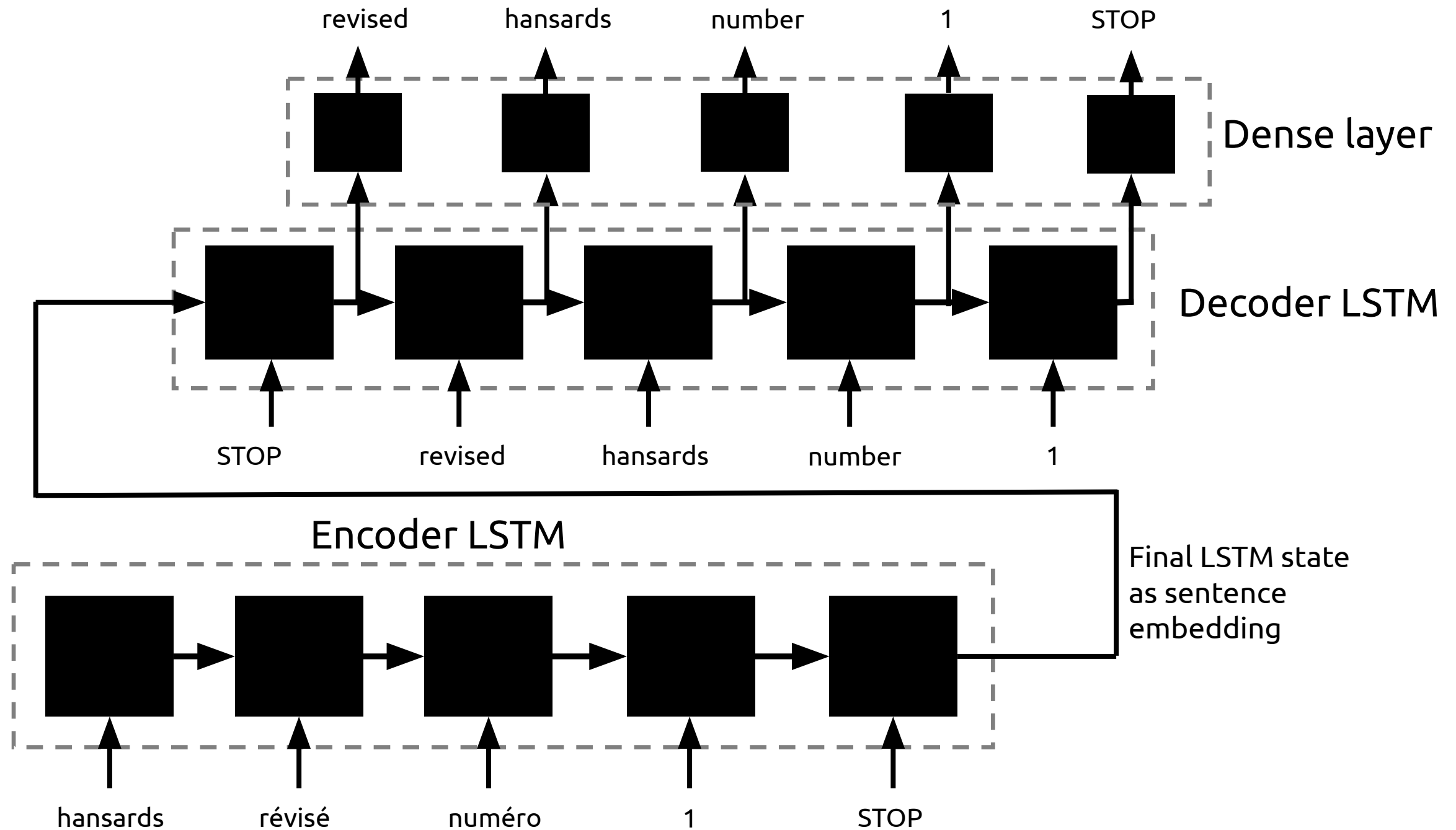
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Deep Learning

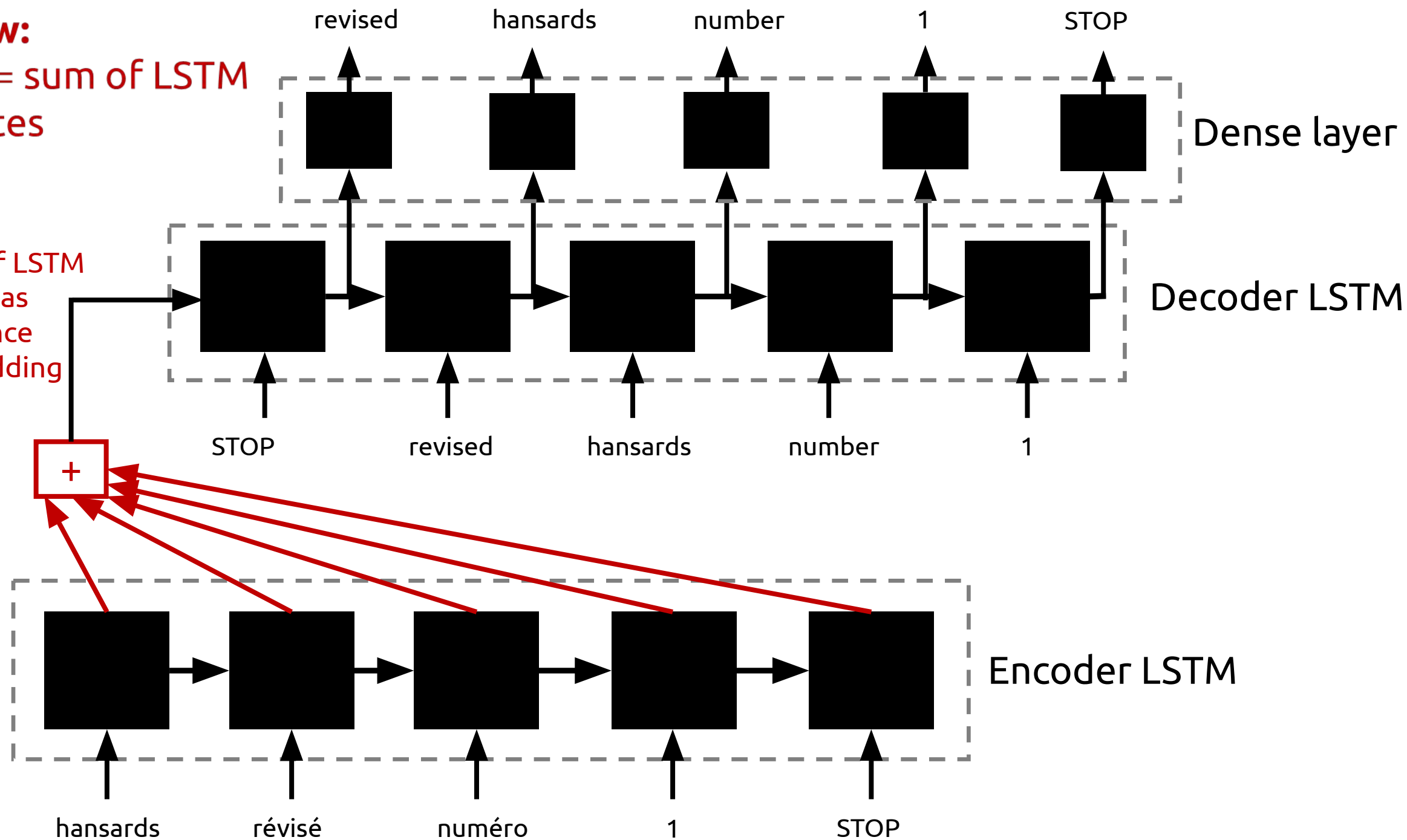




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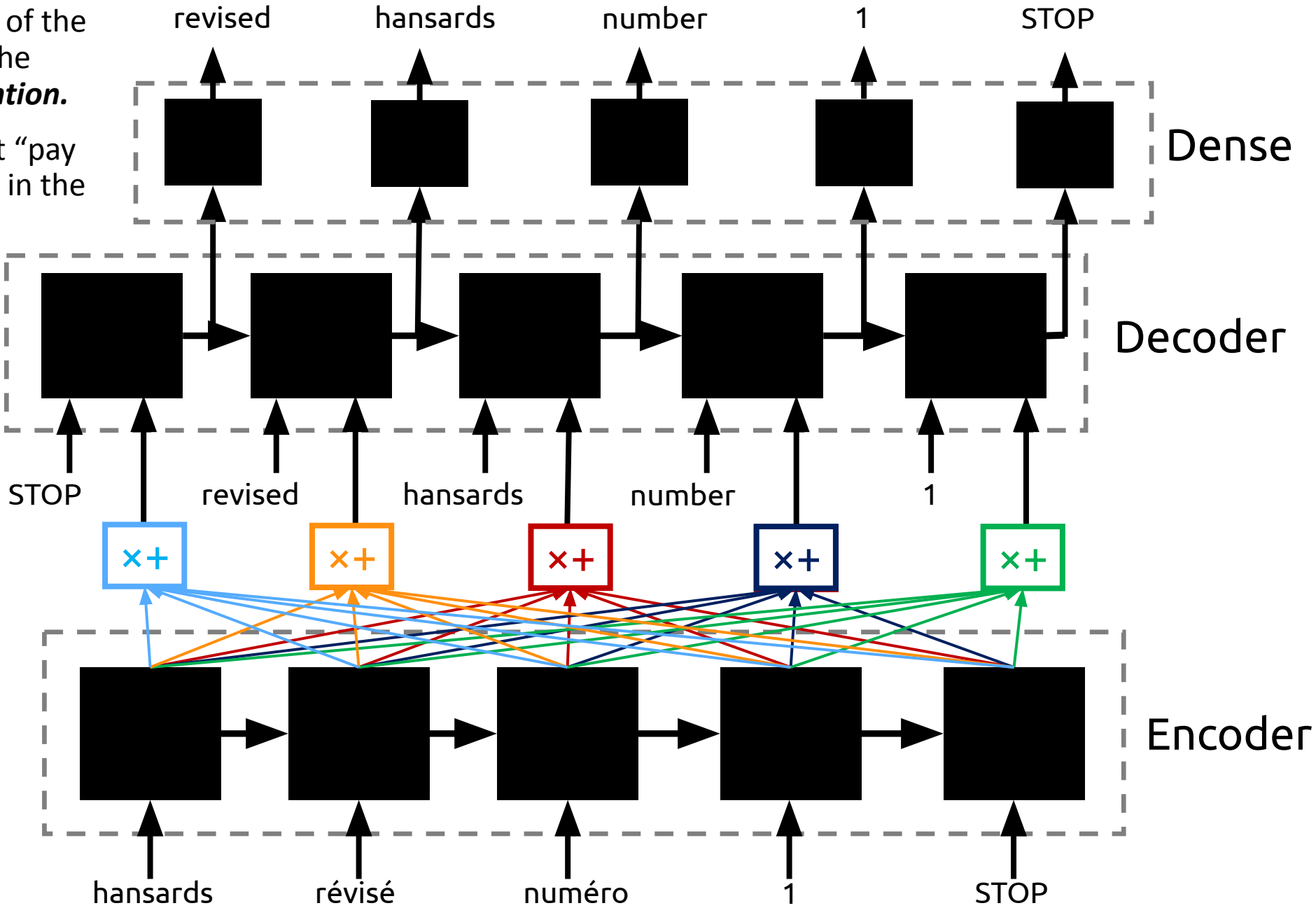
$E_s = \text{sum of LSTM states}$

Sum of LSTM states as sentence embedding



This idea of passing each cell of the decoder a weighted sum of the encoder states is called **attention**.

Different words in the output “pay attention” to different words in the input



Review: “Attention Is All You Need”

A 2017 paper that introduced the ***Transformer*** model for machine translation

- Has no recurrent networks!
- ***Only*** uses attention

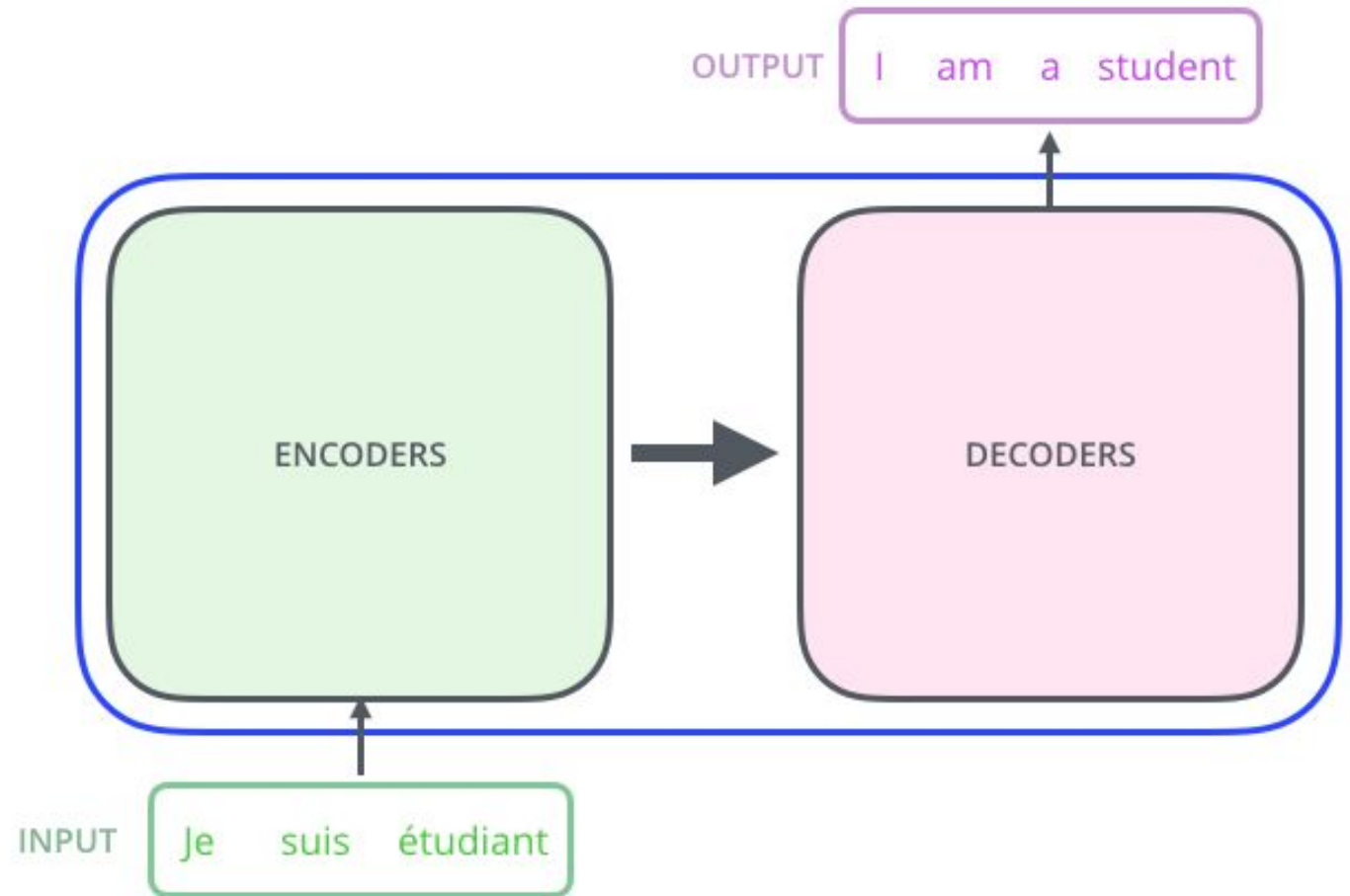


Motivation:

- RNN training is hard to parallelize since the previous word must be processed before next word
 - Transformers are trivially parallelizable
- Even with LSTMs / GRUs, preserving important linguistic context over ***very*** long sequences is difficult
 - Transformers don't even try to remember things (every step looks at a weighted combination of ***all*** words in the input sentence)

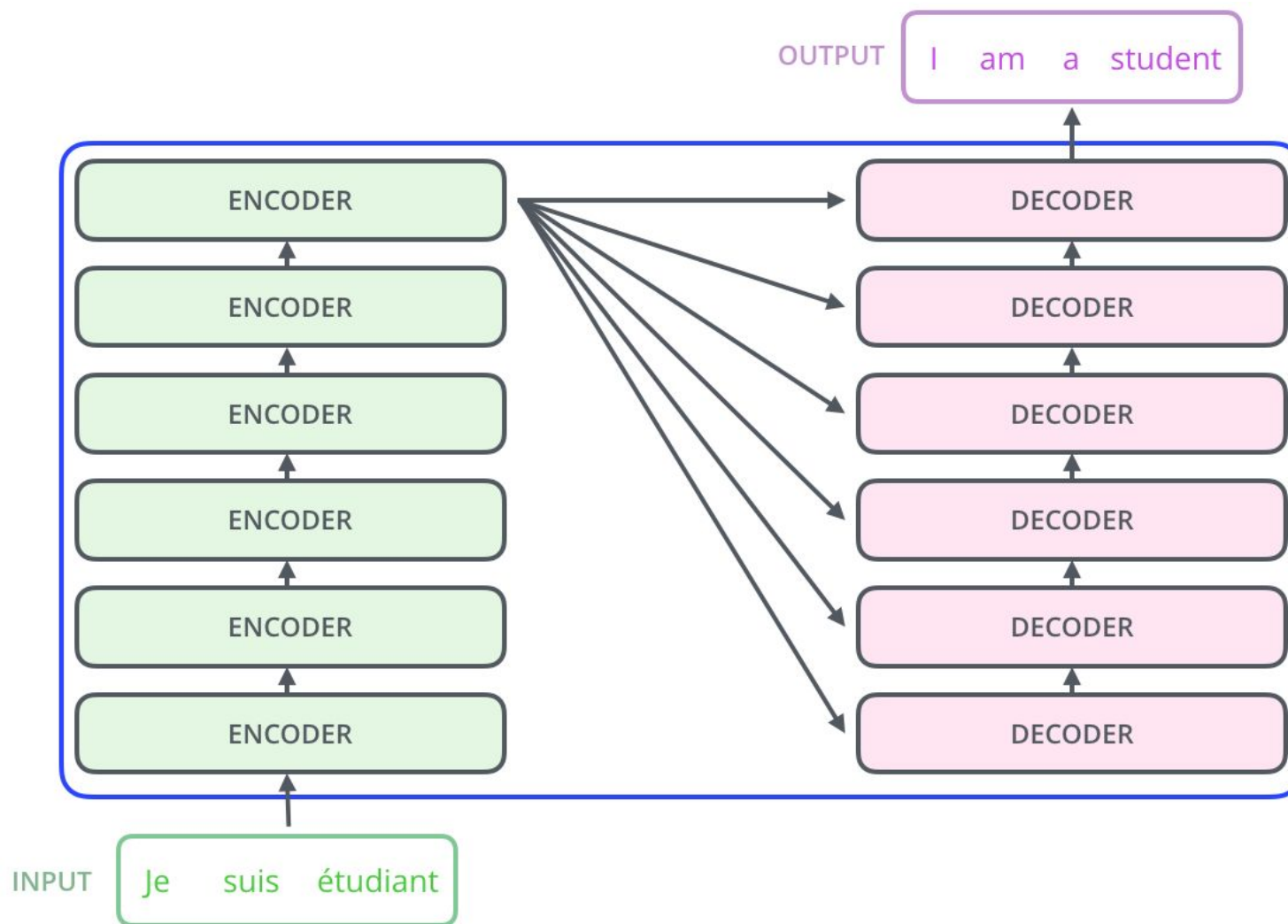
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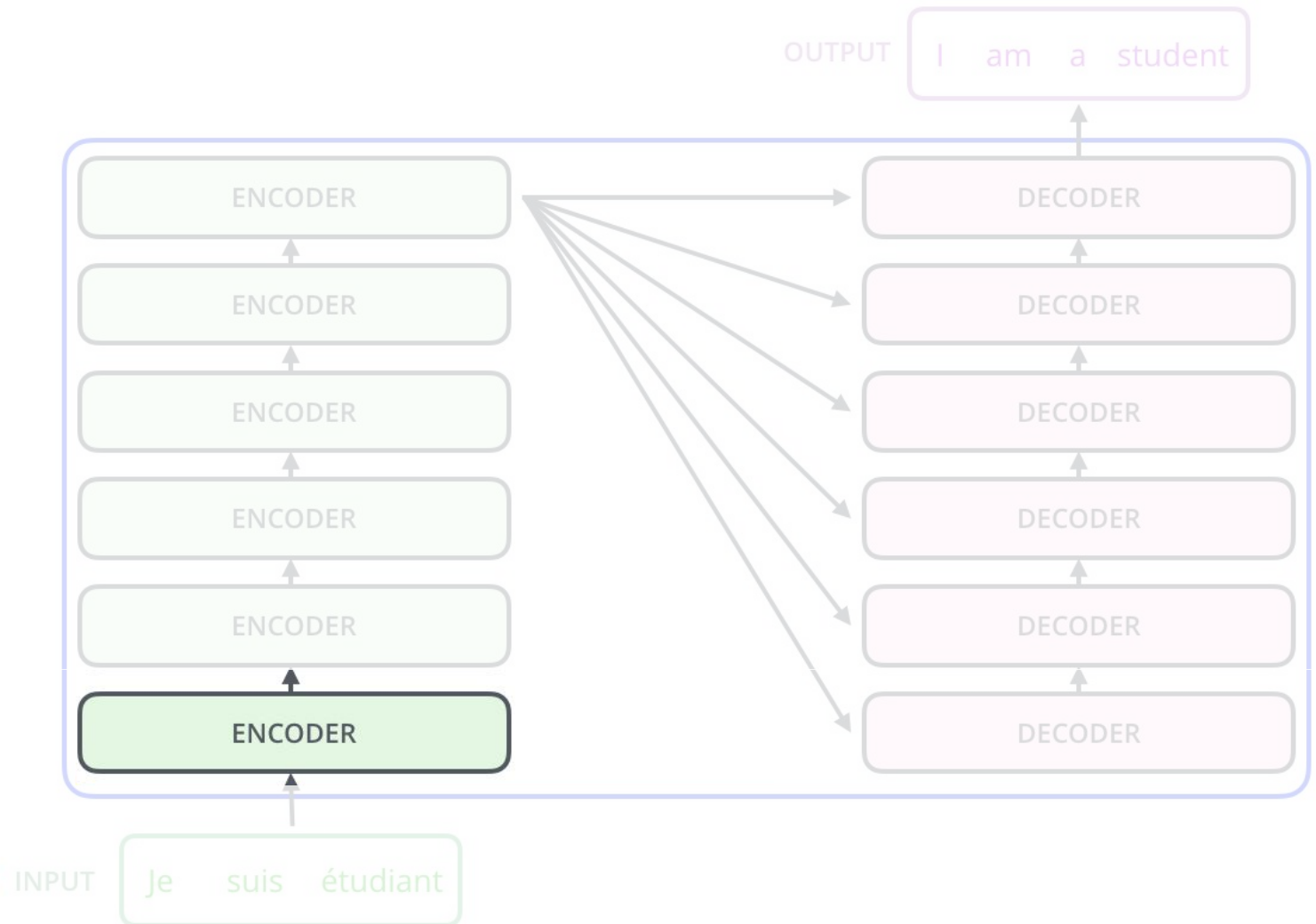
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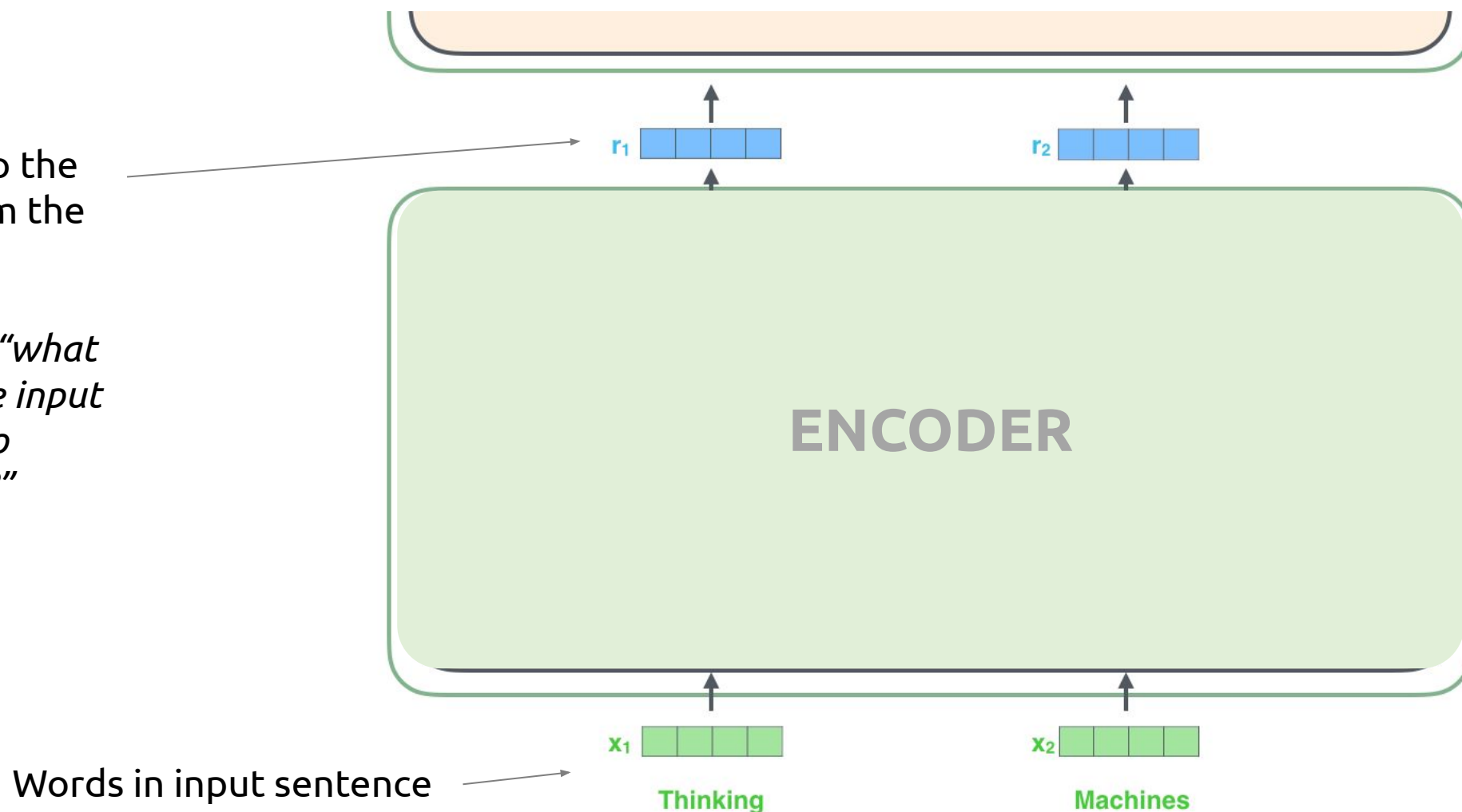
- Let's look at what goes on inside one of these Encoder blocks



Encoder Block Map

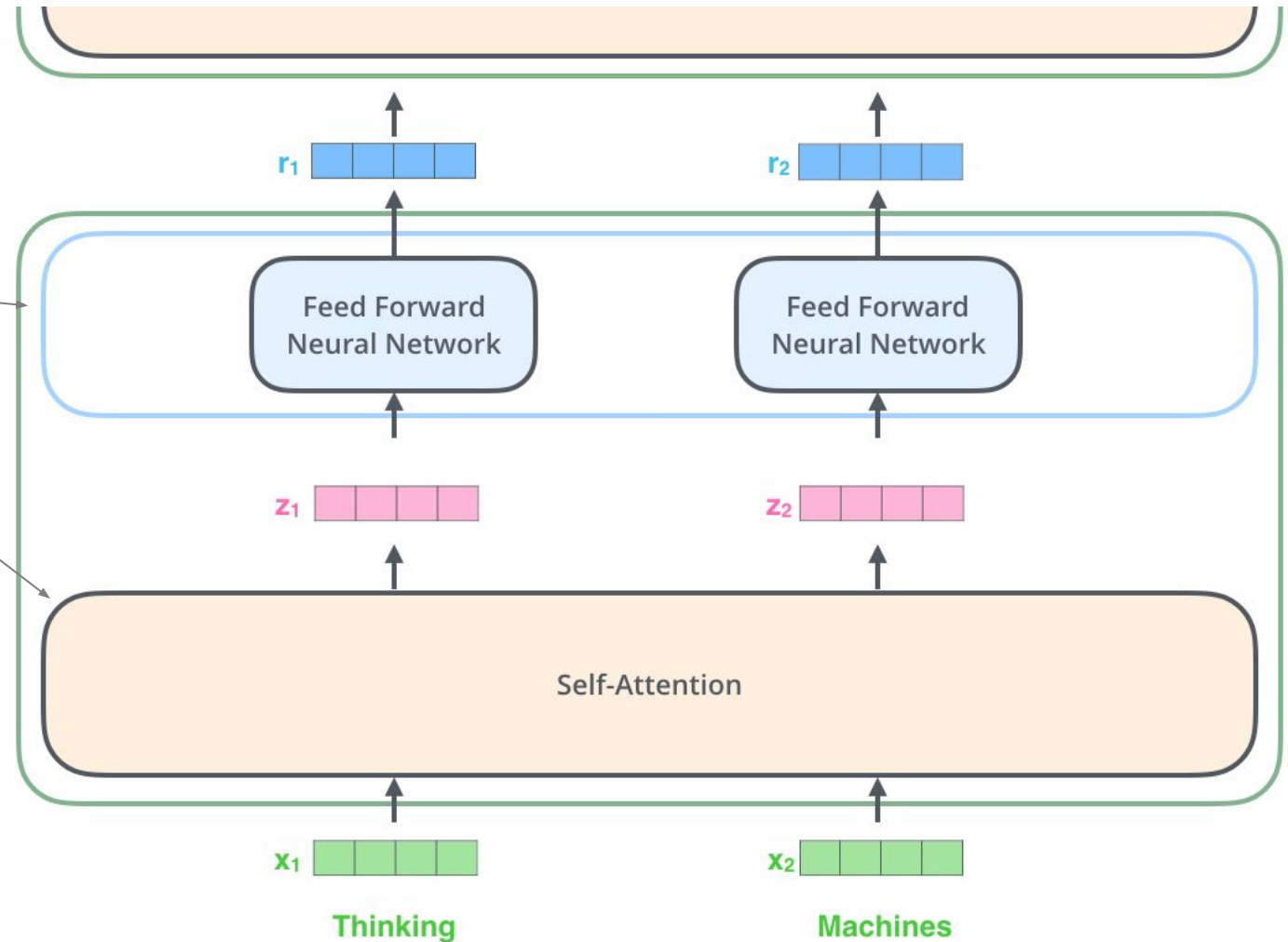
These per-word output vectors are analogous to the LSTM hidden states from the seq2seq2 model

- They should capture “*what information about the input sentence is relevant to translating this word?*”



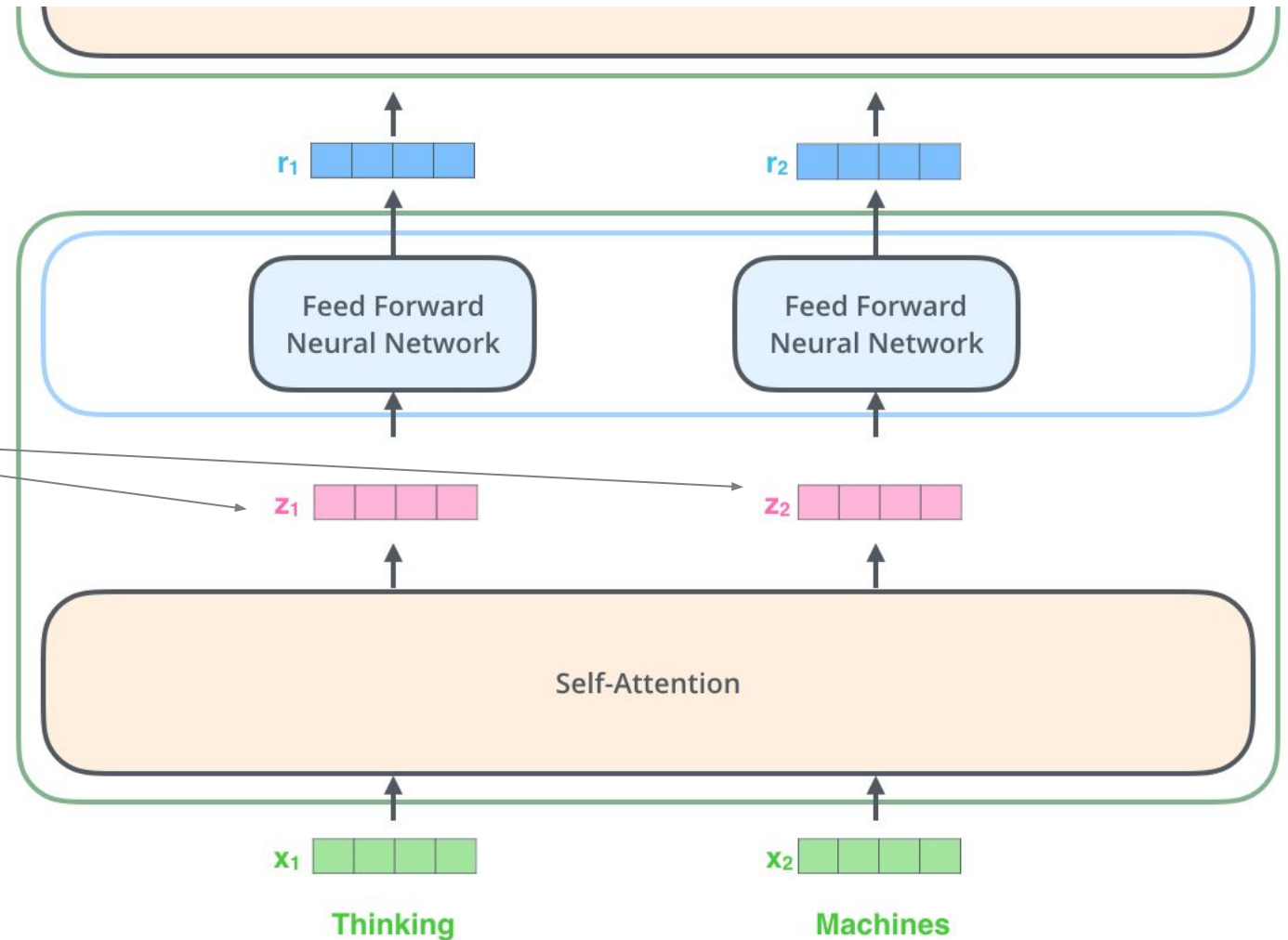
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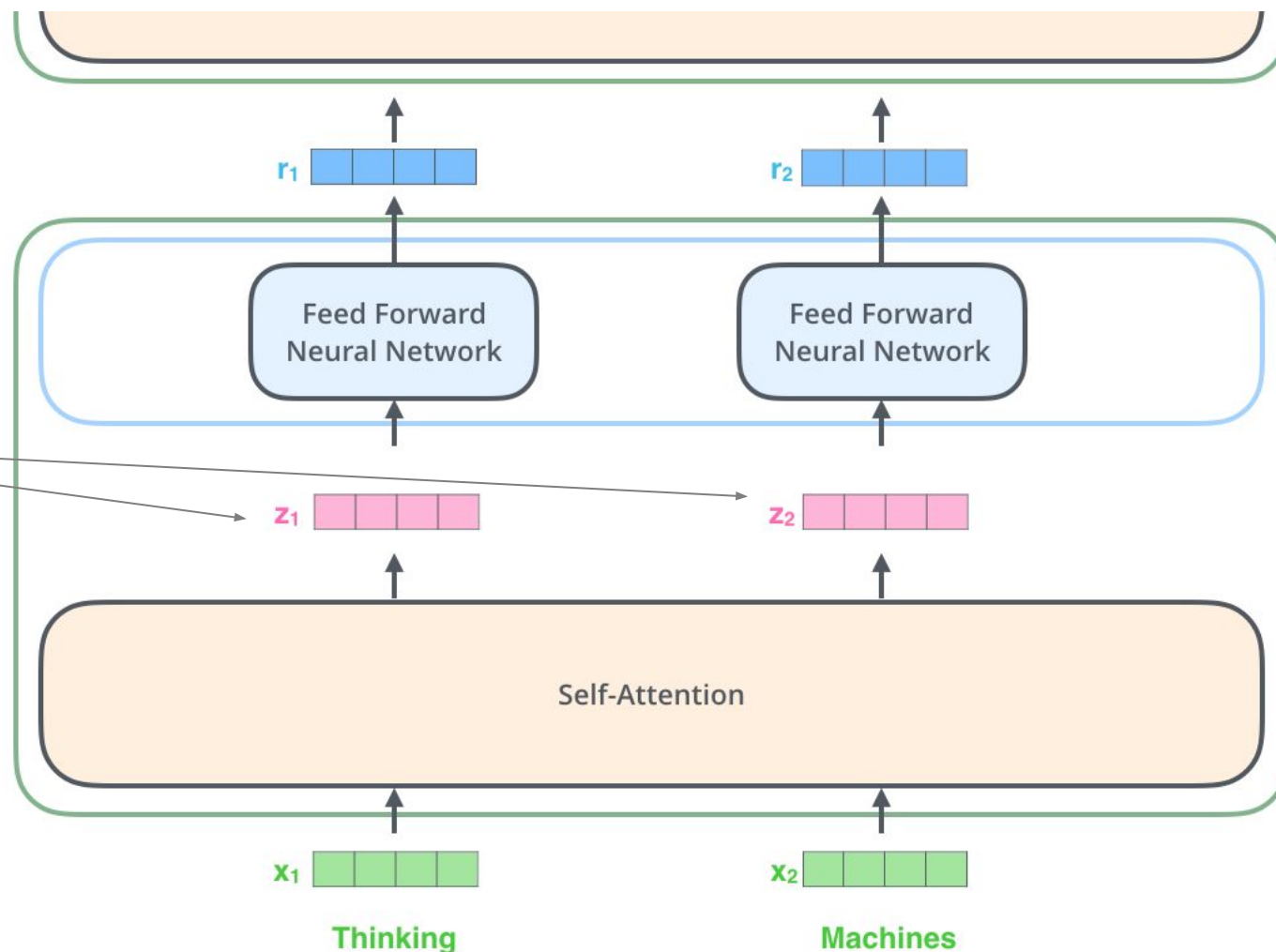
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Let's revisit self-attention in detail!



Review: Attention types

$$\alpha_{t,i} = \text{align}(y_t, x_i) = \frac{\exp(\text{score}(s_{t-1}, \mathbf{h}_i))}{\sum_{i'=1}^n \exp(\text{score}(s_{t-1}, \mathbf{h}_{i'}))}$$

Softmax of some predefined alignment score..

How well two words y_t and x_i are aligned.

Name	Definition	Citation
Self-Attention(&)	Relating different positions of the same input sequence. Theoretically the self-attention can adopt any score functions above, but just replace the target sequence with the same input sequence.	Cheng2016
Global/Soft	Attending to the entire input state space.	Xu2015
Local/Hard	Attending to the part of input state space; i.e. a patch of the input image.	Xu2015 ; Luong2015

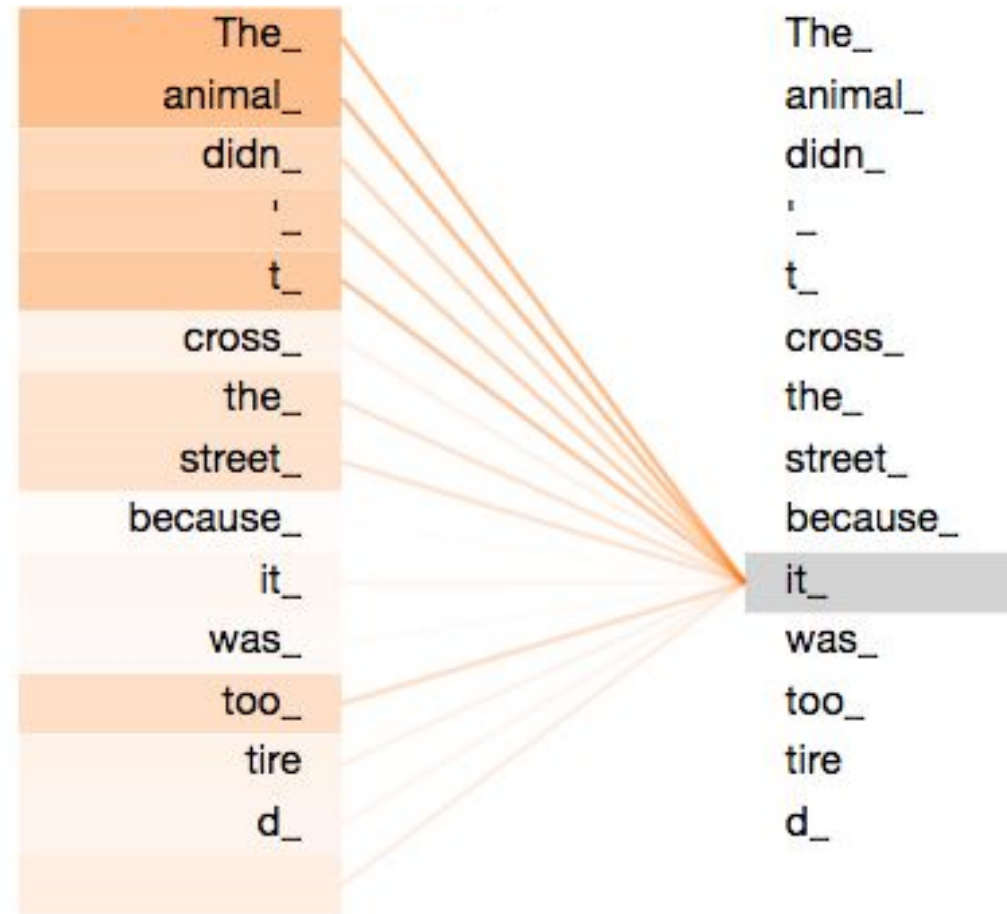
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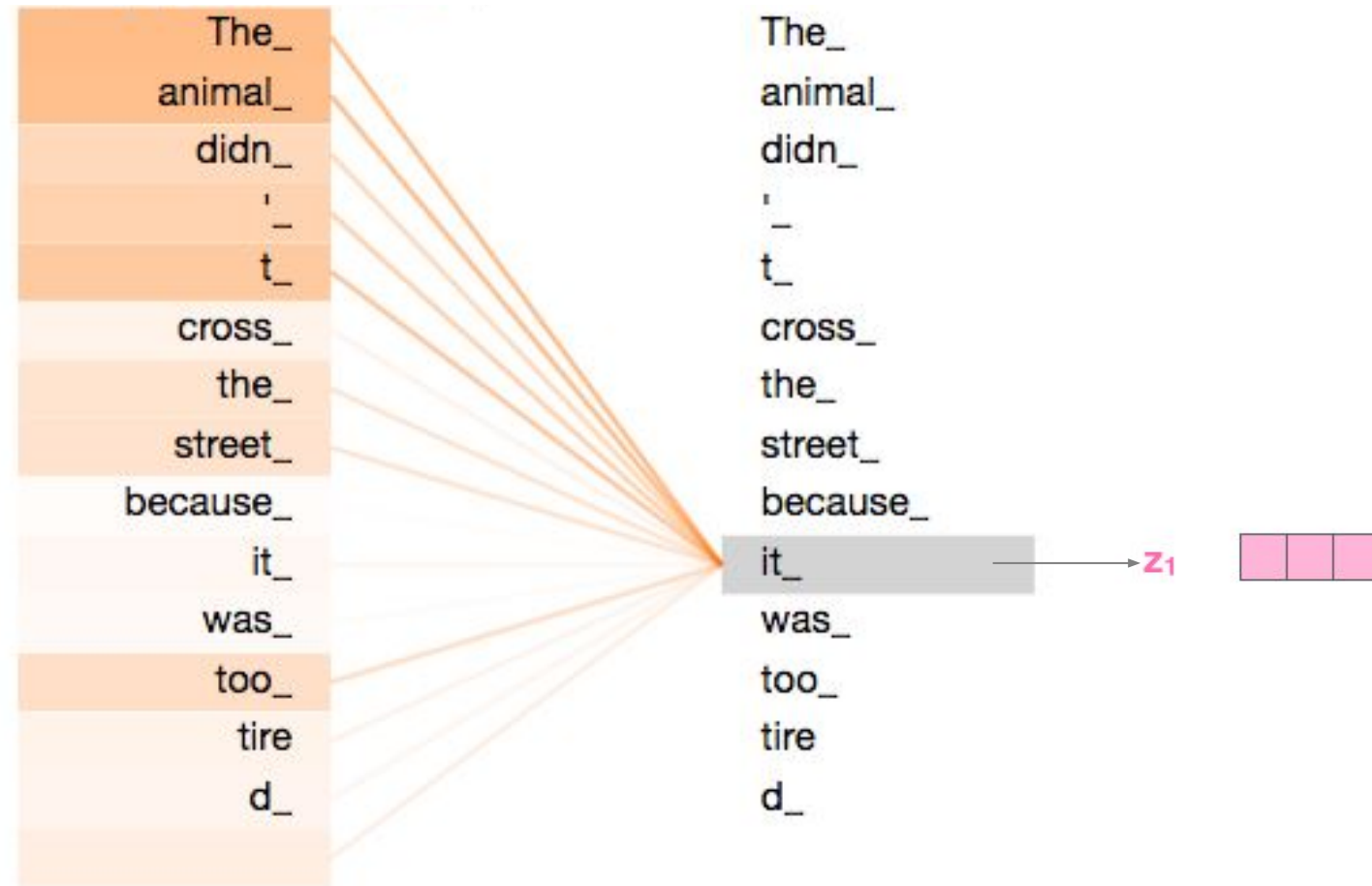
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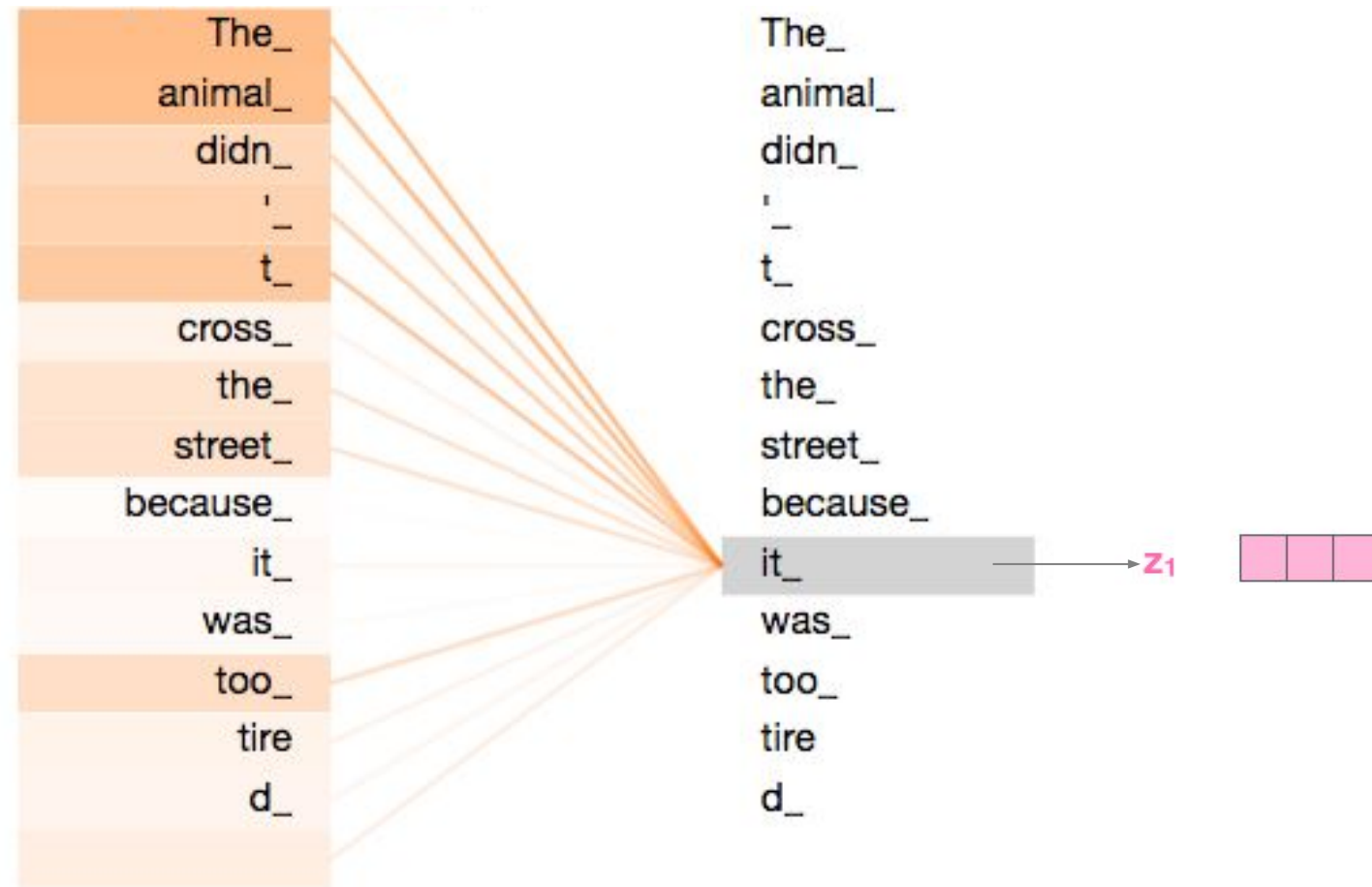


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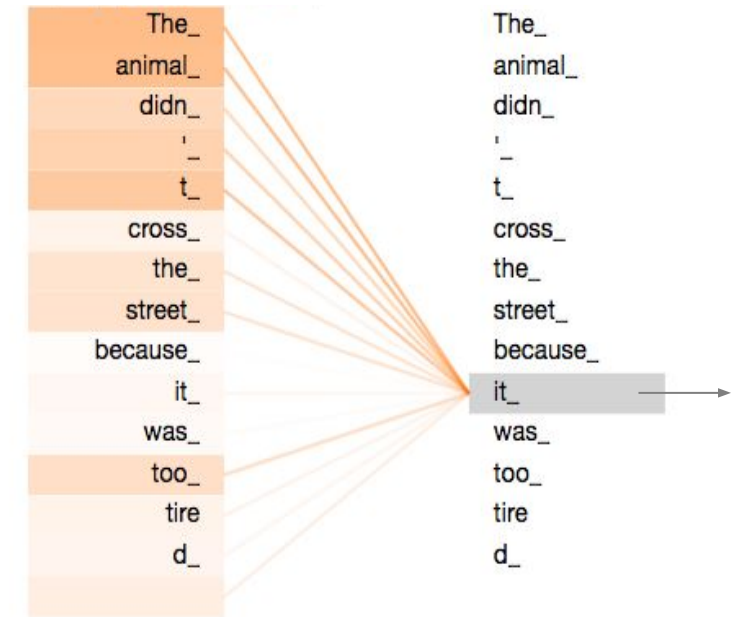


Self-Attention: Overview

- **The big idea:**
Self-attention computes the output vector z_i for each word via a weighted sum of vectors extracted from each word in the input sentence
- Here, self-attention learns that “it” should pay attention to “the animal” (i.e. the entity that “it” refers to)
- Why the name ***self***-attention?
This describes attention that the input sentence pays to itself



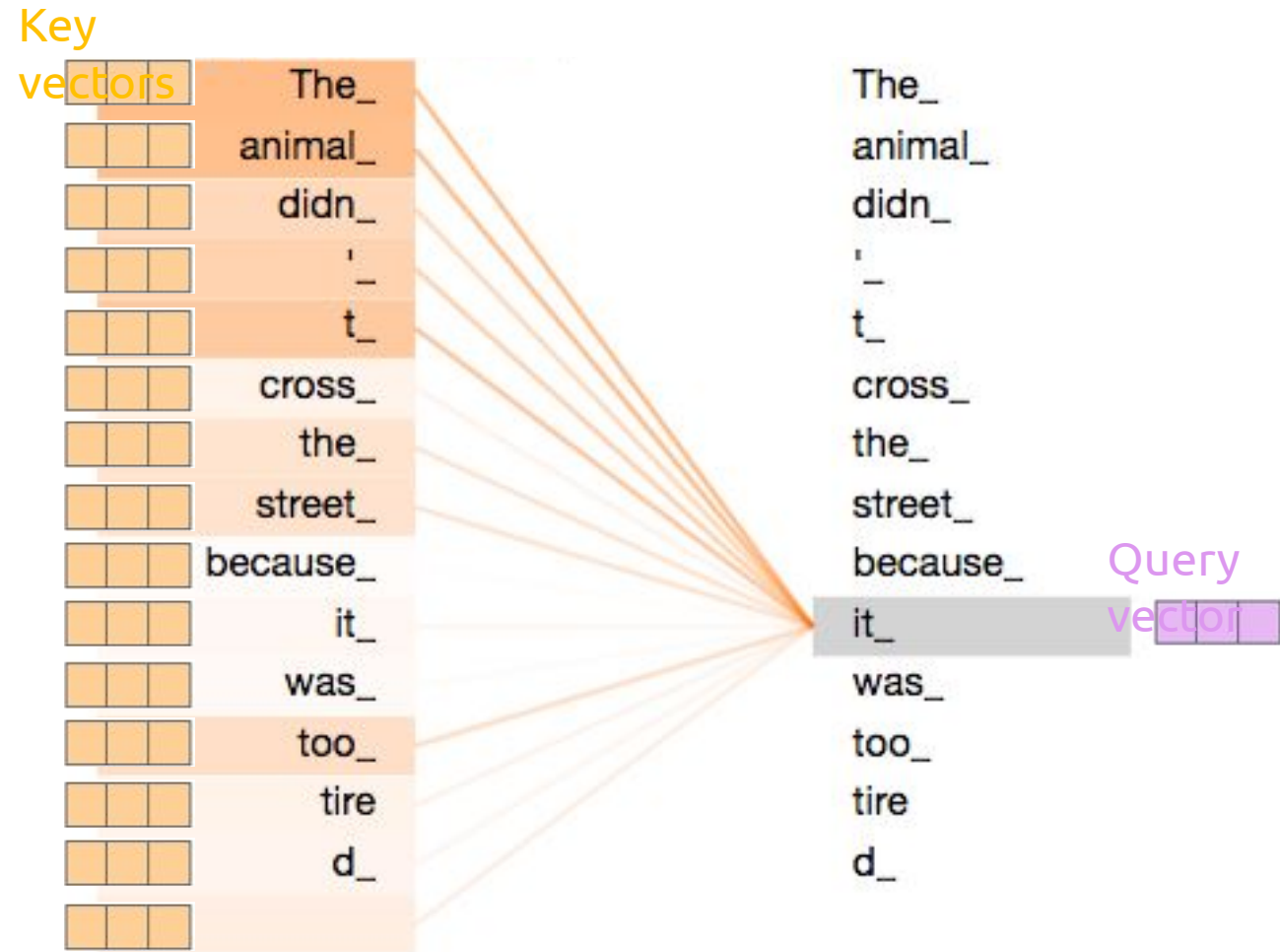
Self-Attention: Sketch



Self-Attention: Overview

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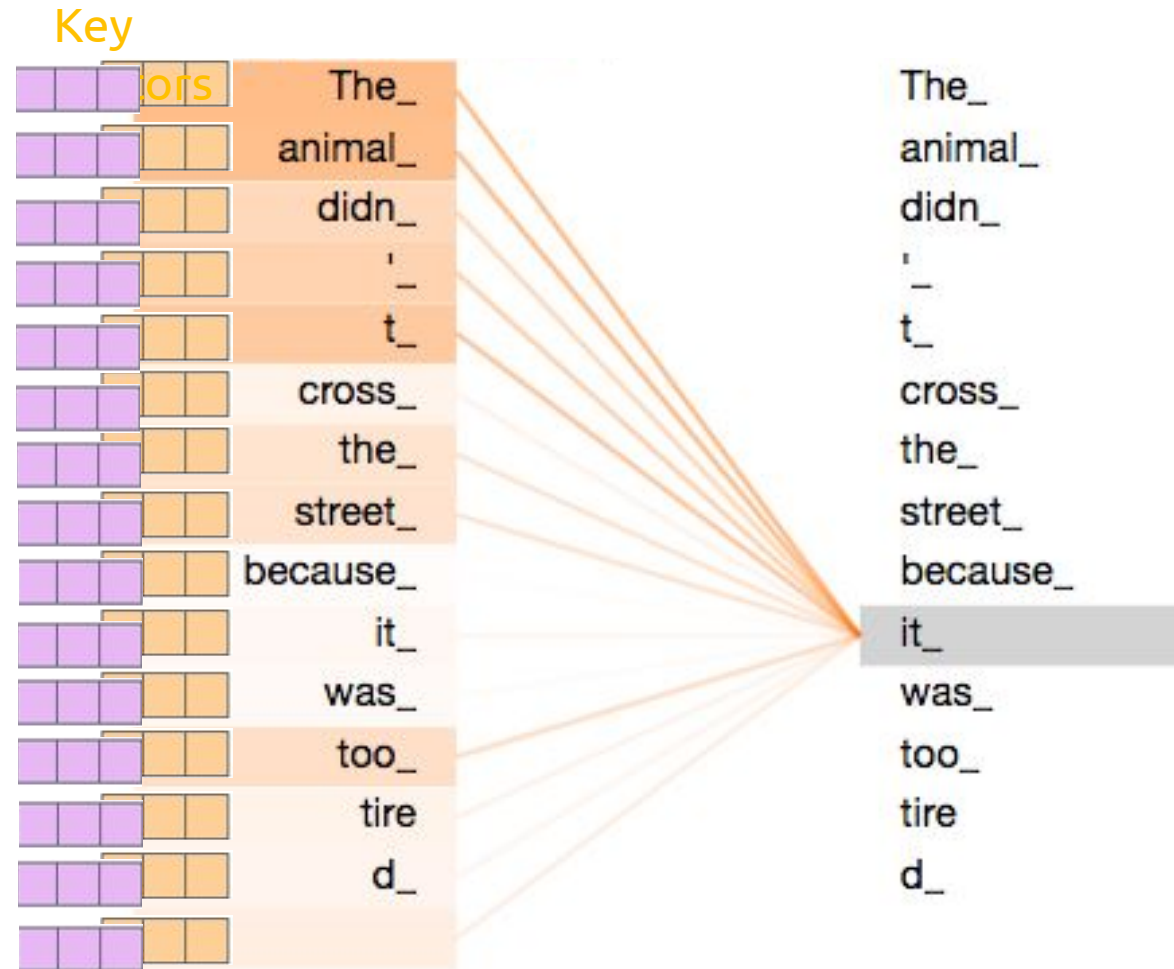
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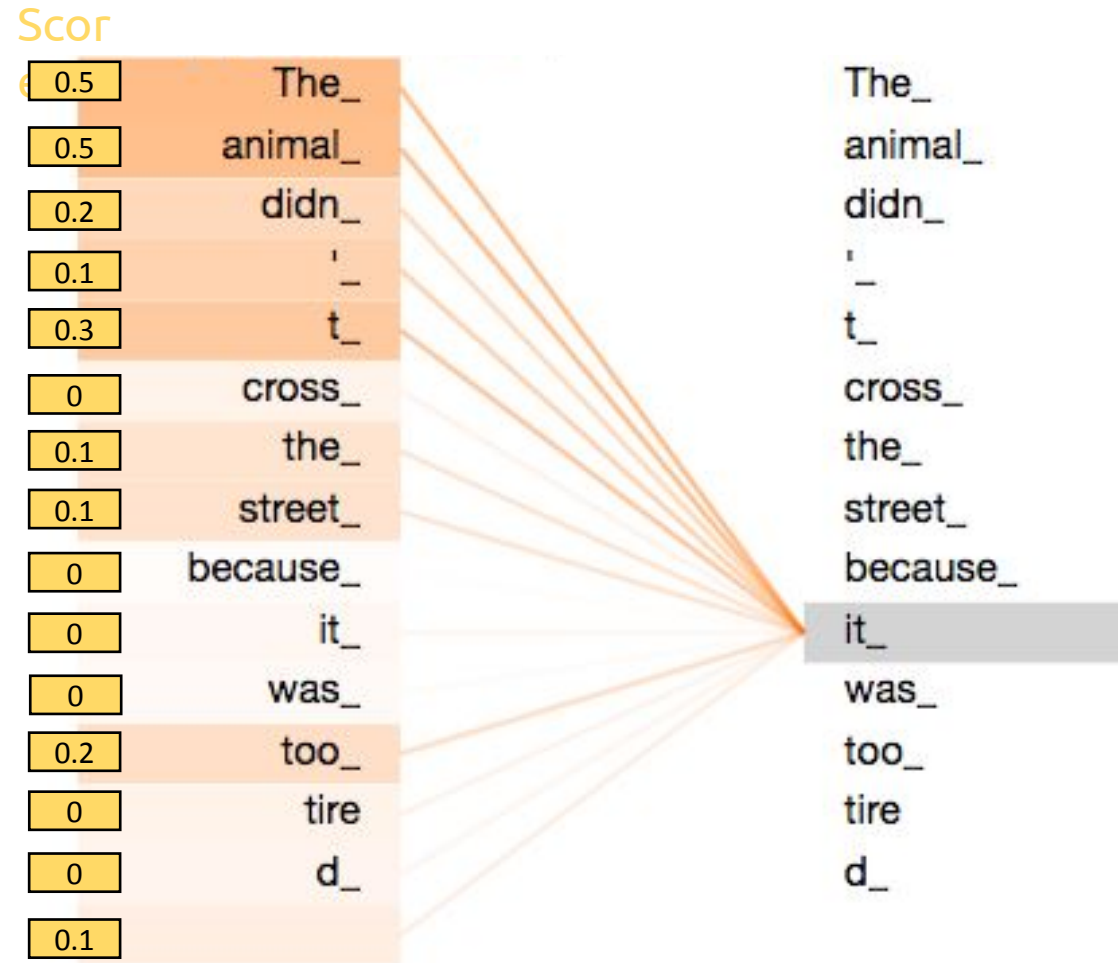
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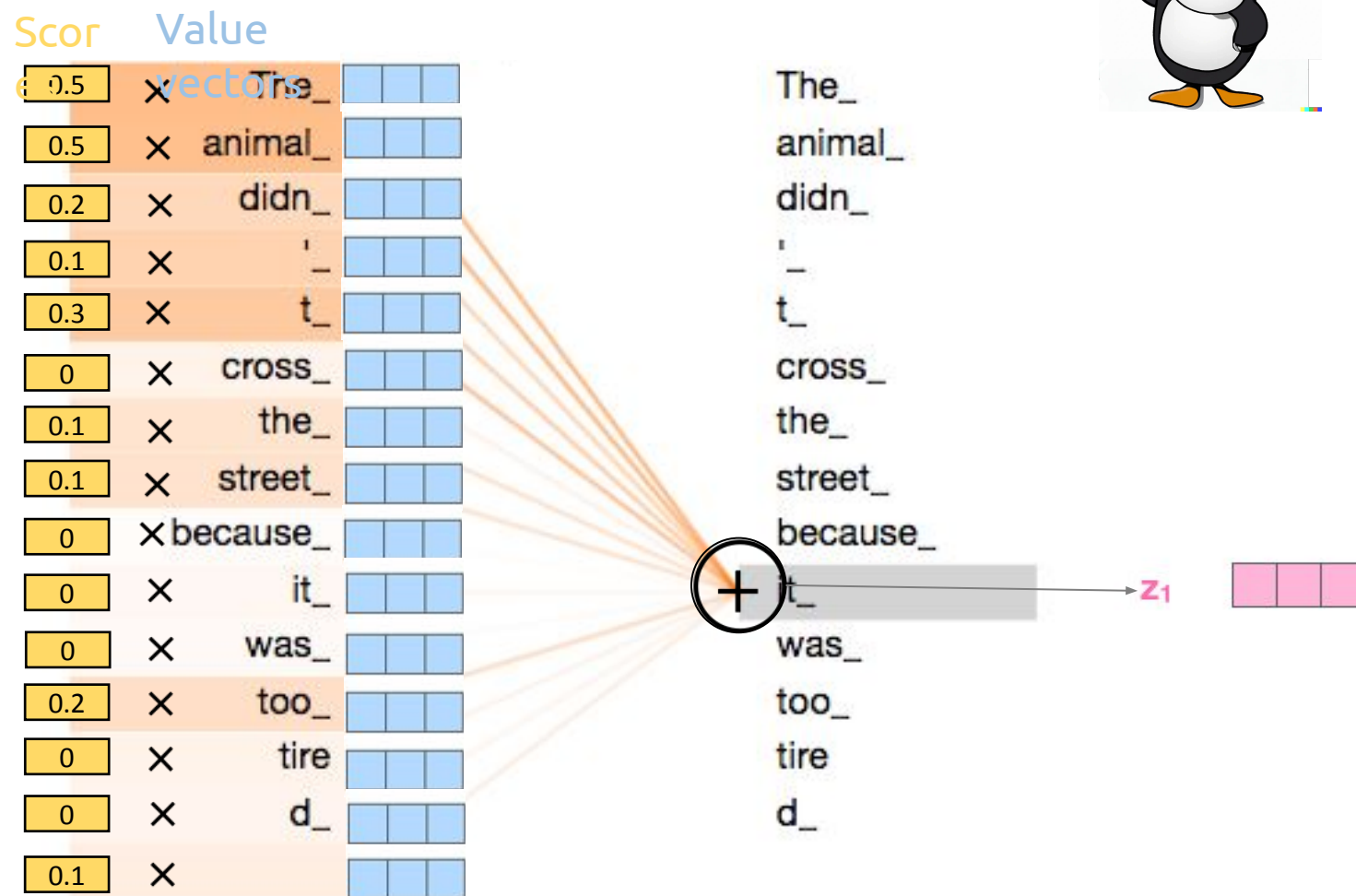




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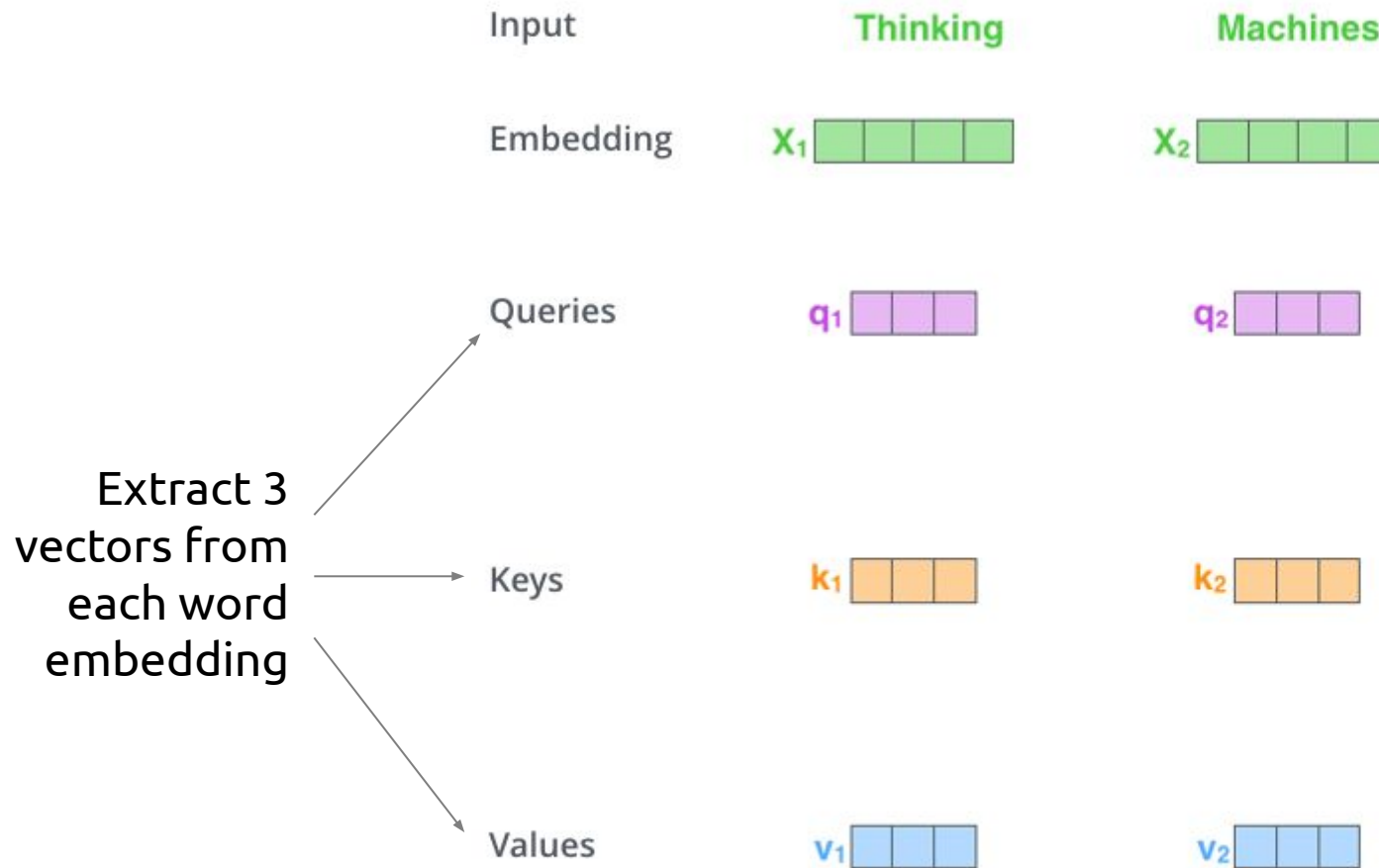
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2. To produce the output vector, we sum up the **value vectors** for each word, weighted by the score we computed in step 1



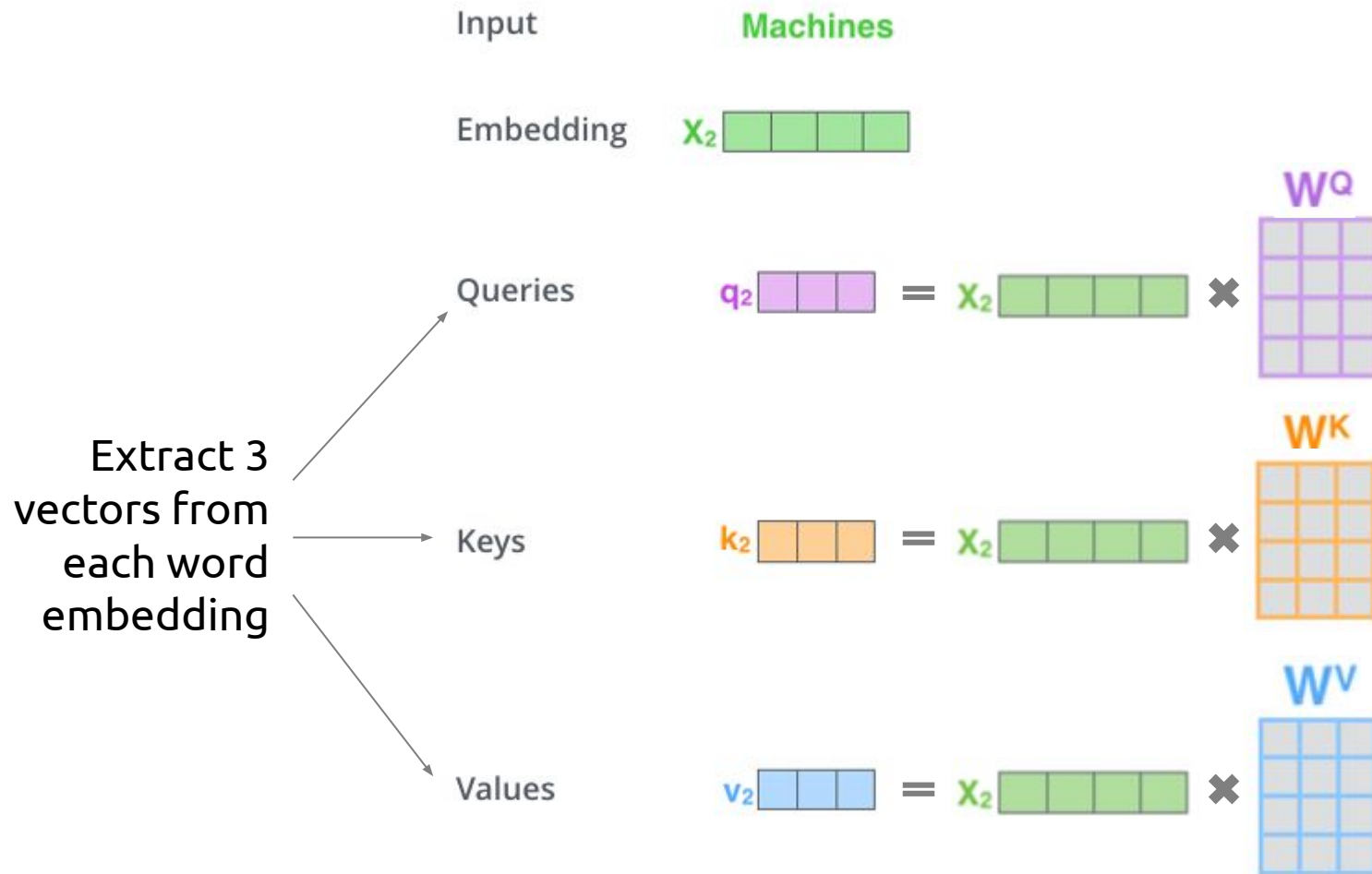
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Each vector is obtained by multiplying the embedding with the respective weight matrix.

How do we get these weight matrices?

These matrices are the ***trainable parameters*** of the network

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Computing self-attention for “Thinking”

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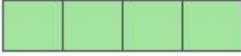
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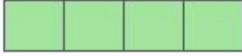
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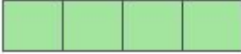
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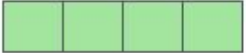
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What this is essentially asking is:
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Query vectors are asking the question and key vectors respond.

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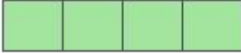
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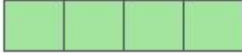
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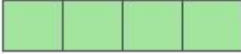
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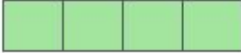
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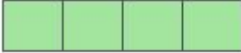
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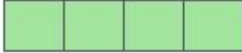
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By applying softmax, we transform the scores into attention weights.

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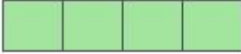
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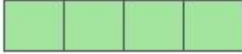
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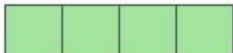
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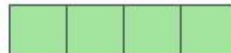
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The idea here is that the value vectors store the contextual information that each word provides.

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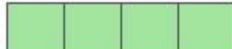
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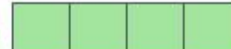
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We are weighting the *context* provided by each word by the amount of *attention* we should pay.

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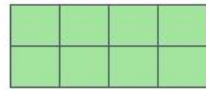
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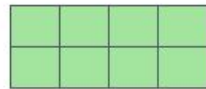
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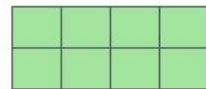
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Apply the steps of calculating attention weights on the query and key matrices.

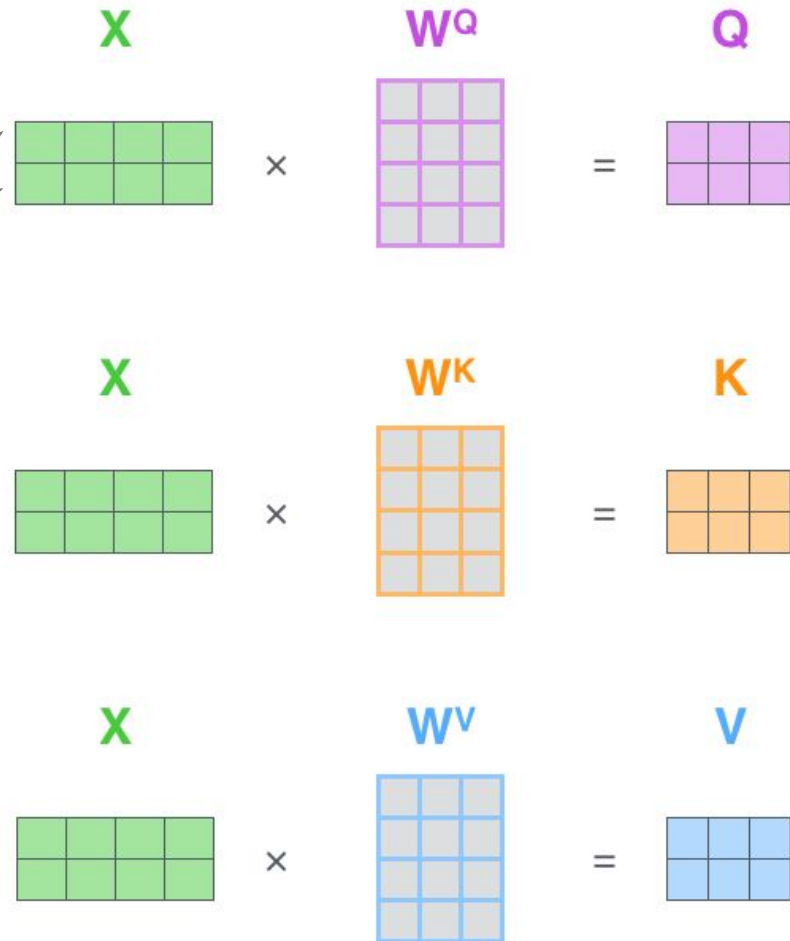
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Multiply the attention weight matrix to value matrix produce the output matrix.

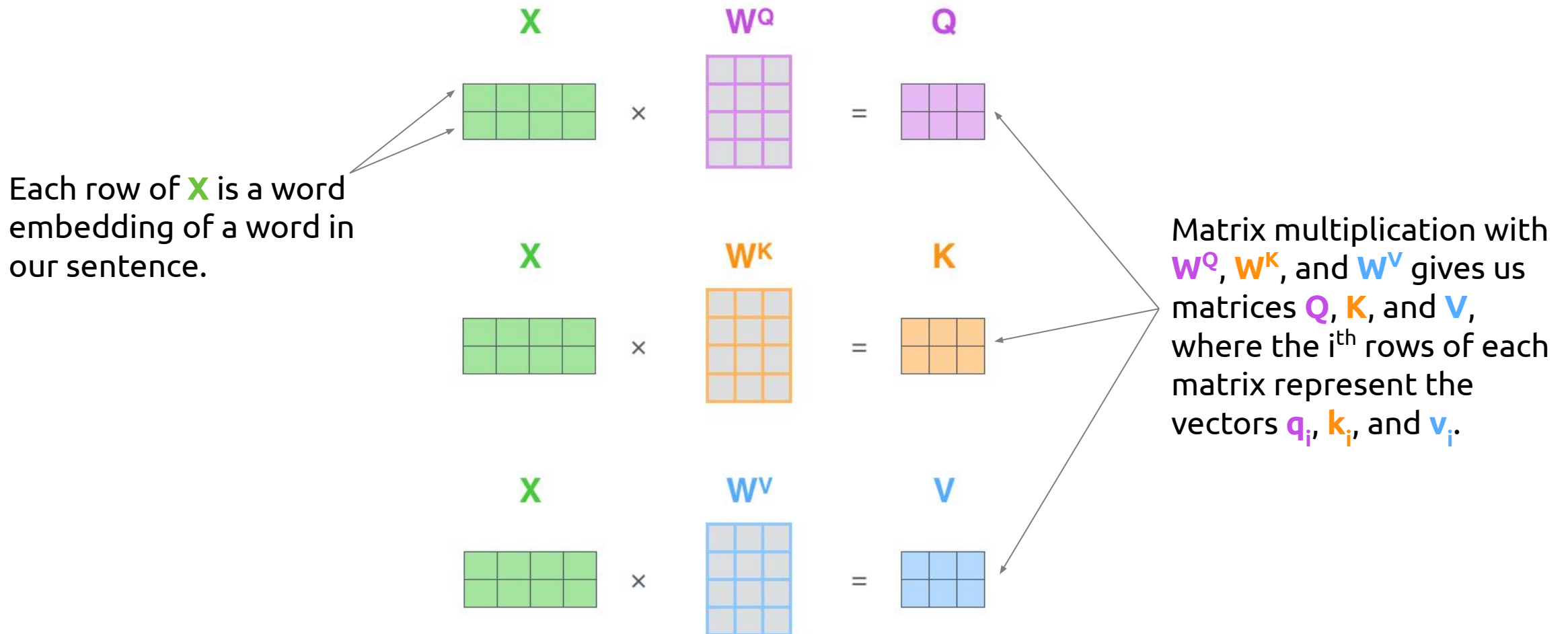
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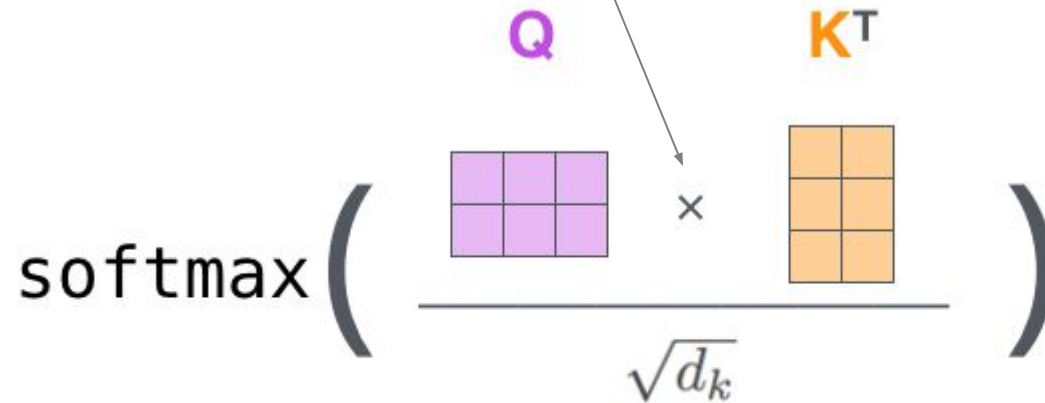


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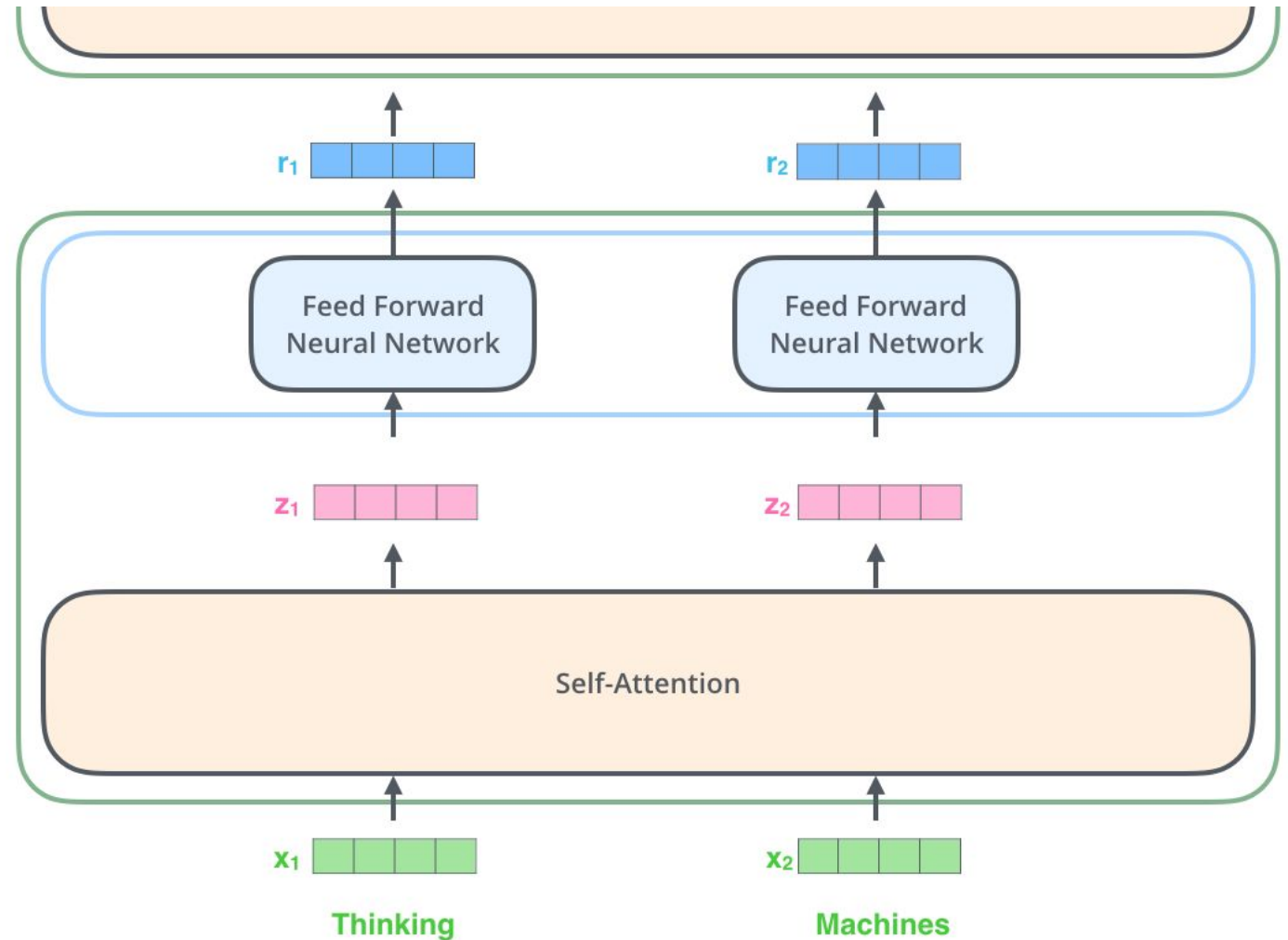
Multiplying the resulting vector with **V** properly weighs the **v_i** vectors.

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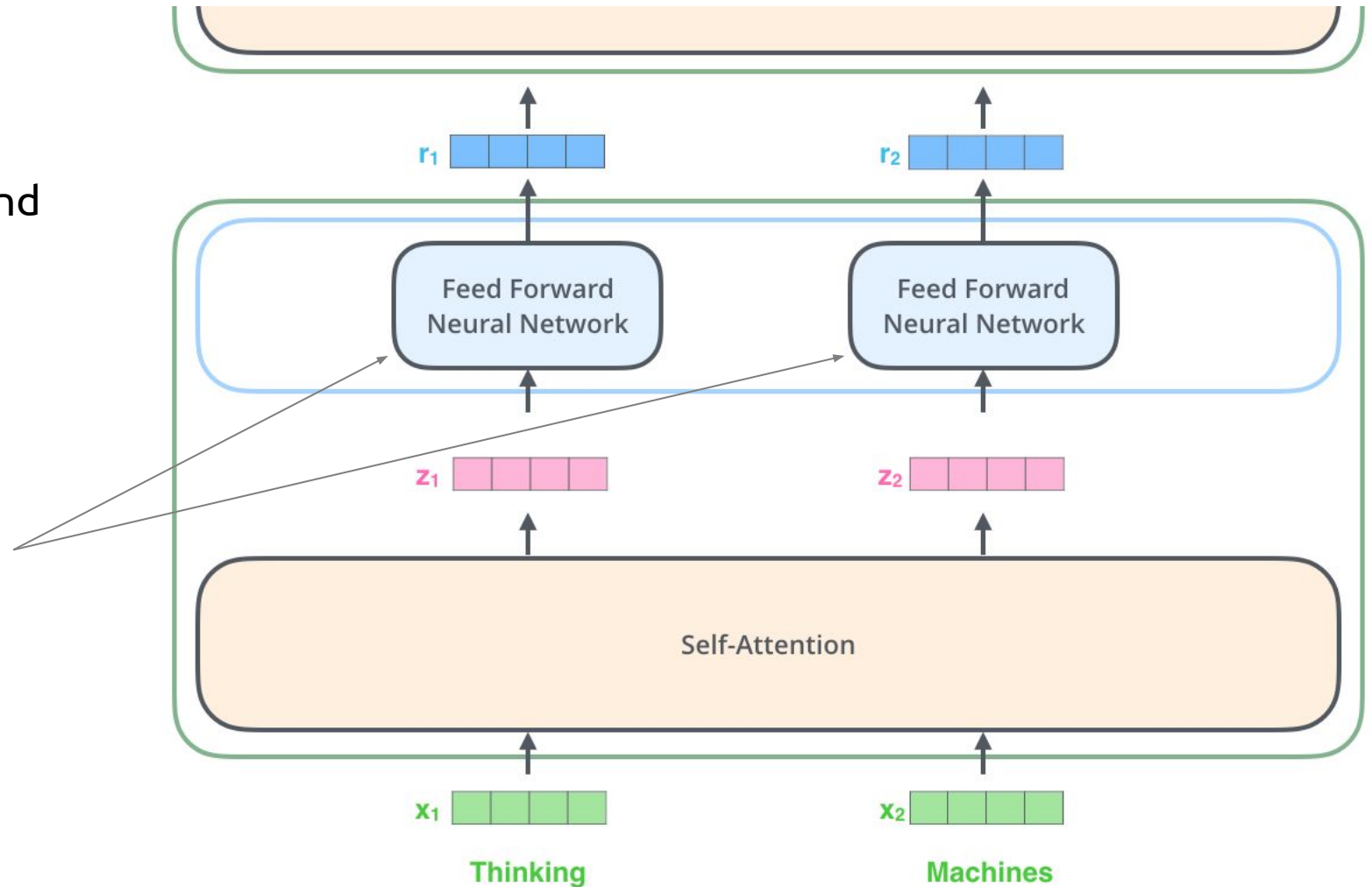
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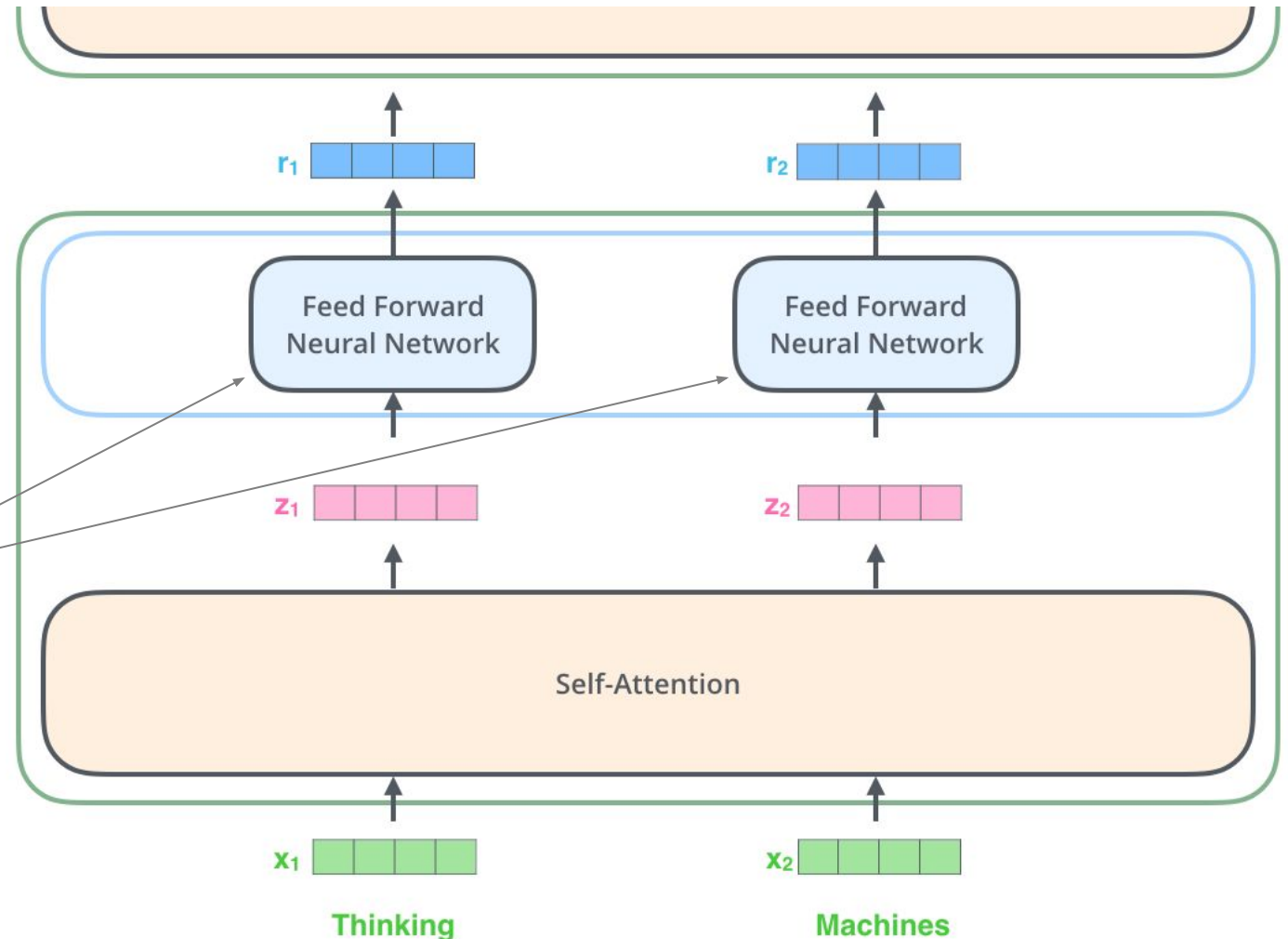
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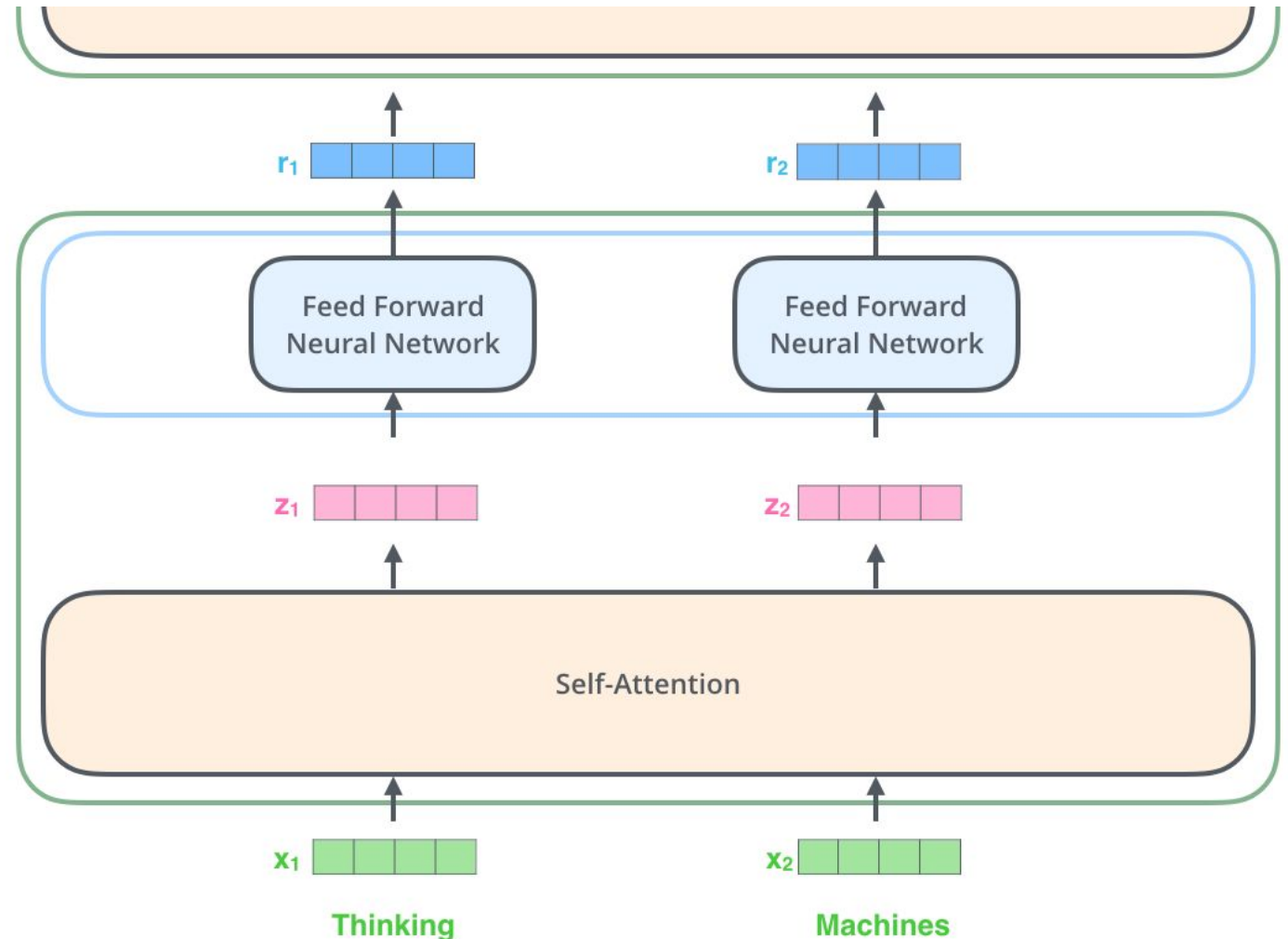
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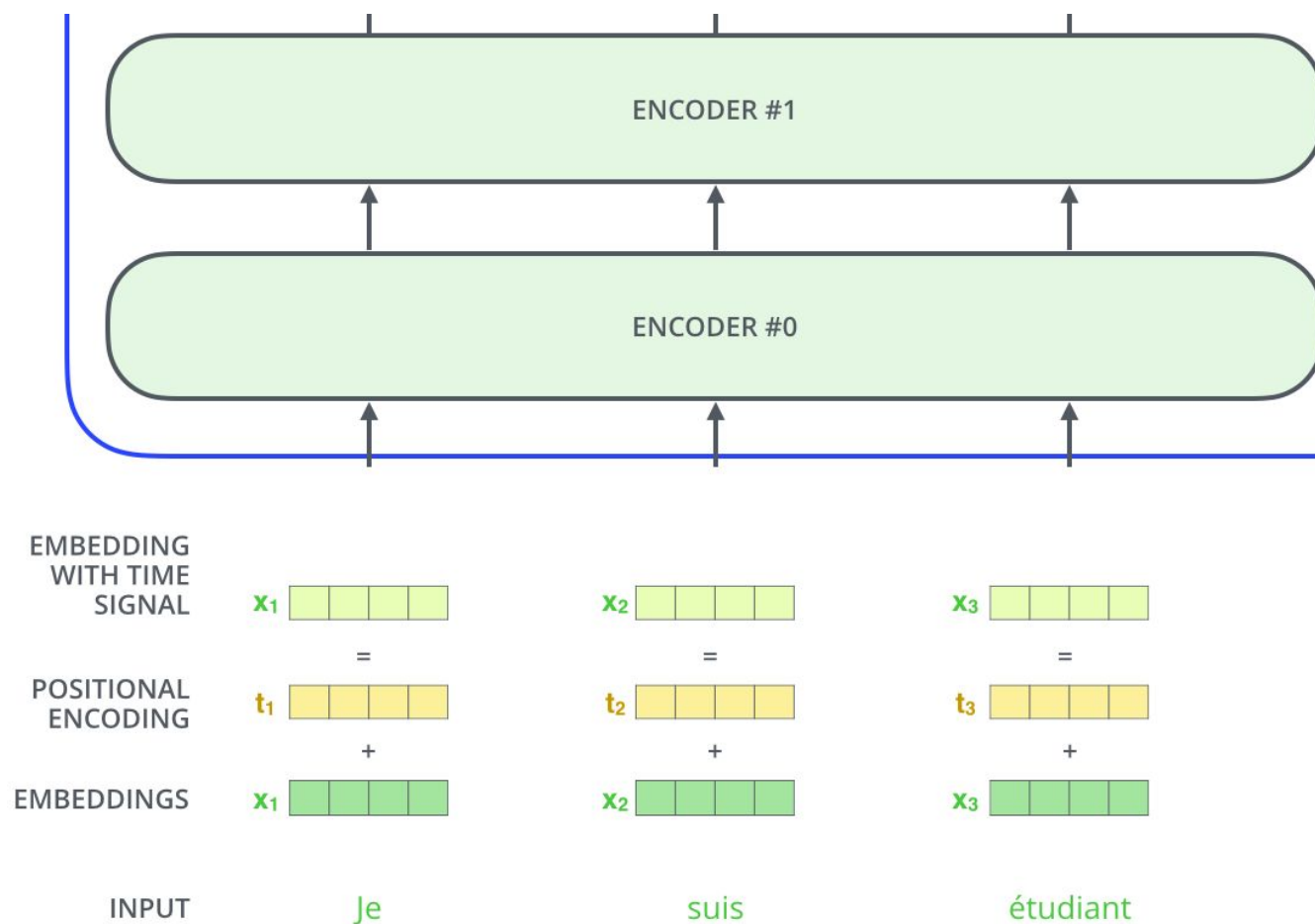
What are we missing?

Hint: Remember – we are not using RNNs anymore.

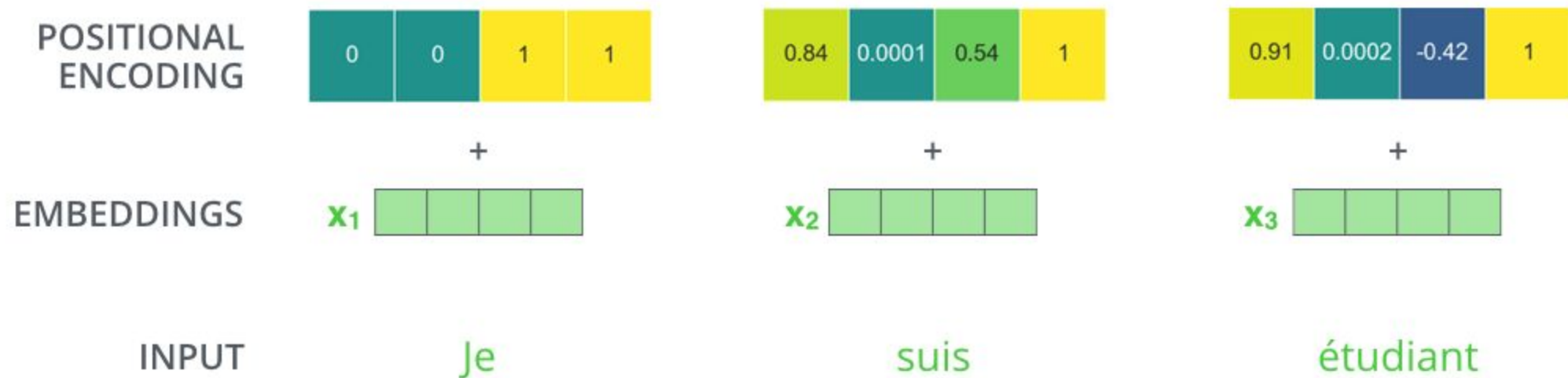
Have we neglected/lost any information about the original input sequence?

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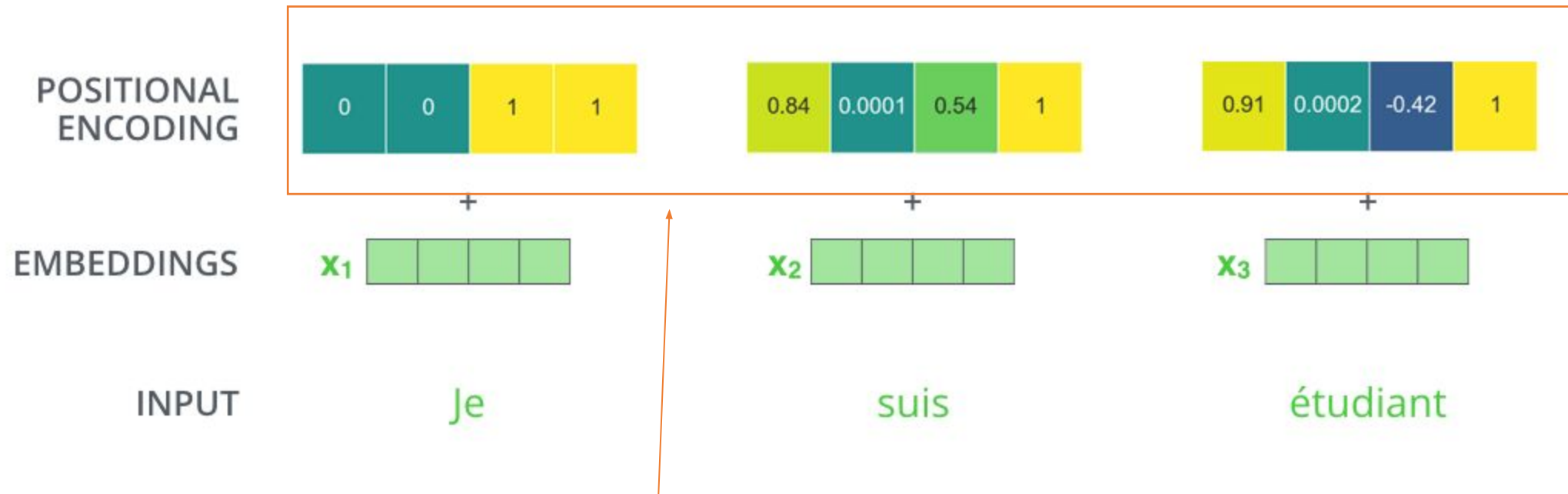
- Instead of passing Embedding vector to encoder, we pass **Embedding with Time Signal** vector.
- Positional Encoding is `embedding_size` vector that encodes information about the position of a word in a sequence.
- Positional Encodings can be learned or defined by a fixed function.
- We add the Positional Encoding to the Embedding to get our Embedding with Time Signal vector.



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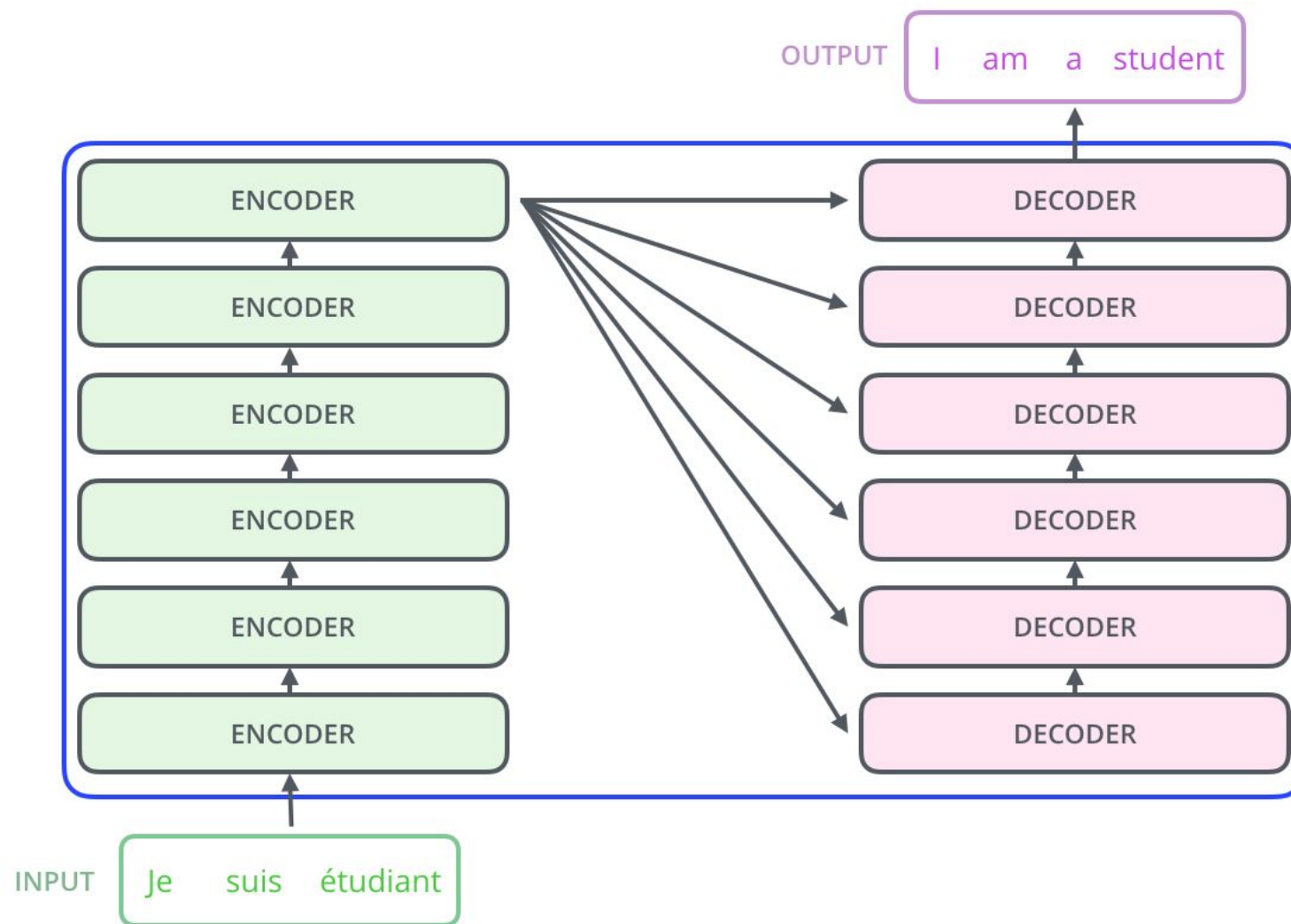


Where do these numbers come from?

- Carefully-chosen sinusoidal patterns such that when we add them to the embedding vectors, their dot products w/ each other reflect the distance between them in the sentence.

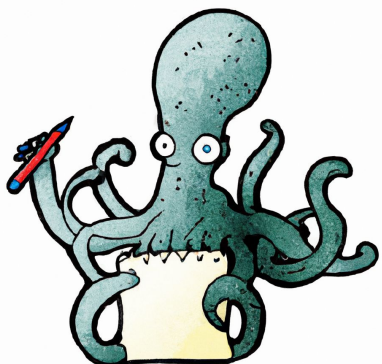
More to come on Transformer!

- **Multi-headed attention**
- **Modifications for efficiency**
- **Decoder**



Recap

Seq-to-seq using
transformers



Encoder
module

RNNs cannot be
parallelized

Can forget information

Transformers – Encoder-Decoder
with just attention

Self-attention

Fully connected layers

Positional encodings

