# Cross-Lingual Word Embeddings Unsupervised Machine Translation 

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 Inspiration \& BorrowingCross-lingual embeddings

> Sebastian Ruder, Anders Søgaard and Ivan Vulić
> ACL 2019 tutorial. (https://tinyurl.com/xlingual)

Unsupervised machine translation
Mikel Artetxe
PhD thesis and related presentations. (shorturl.at/wBELP)
Rui Wang and Hai Zhao
EACL 2021 tutorial. Advances and Challenges in Unsupervised Neural Machine Translation (joint CLWE + UMT and multilingual UMT)
(https://wangruinlp.github.io/unmt)

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## Recap through the Examples of Session I

What's the Meaning of Low-Resource?

Definition (for us!). A low-resource setting is a scenario where standard NLP techniques are not usable (low/null performance).

I talk about low-resource setting because

- Task dependent
- speech recognition vs. machine translation vs. PoS tagging

■ Language (complexity) dependent

- English vs. Hungarian

■ Domain dependent!

- English text generation: sport vs. corona in March 2020

■ Author dependent!

## Recap through the Examples of Session I

Example: What is Low-Resource Machine Translation?

## AmericasNLP 2021 Shared Task on Open Machine Translation for Indigenous Languages of the Americas (Mager et al. 2021)

| Language | ISO | Family | Train | Dev | Test |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| Asháninka | cni | Arawak | 3883 | 883 | 1002 |
| Aymara | aym | Aymaran | 6531 | 996 | 1003 |
| Bribri | bzd | Chibchan | 7508 | 996 | 1003 |
| Guarani | gn | Tupi-Guarani | 26032 | 995 | 1003 |
| Nahuatl | nah | Uto-Aztecan | 16145 | 672 | 996 |
| Otomí | oto | Oto-Manguean | 4889 | 599 | 1001 |
| Quechua | quy | Quechuan | 125008 | 996 | 1003 |
| Rarámuri | tar | Uto-Aztecan | 14721 | 995 | 1002 |
| Shipibo-Konibo | shp | Panoan | 14592 | 996 | 1002 |
| Wixarika | hch | Uto-Aztecan | 8966 | 994 | 1003 |

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## Example: What is Low-Resource Machine Translation?

AmericasNLP 2021 Shared Task on Open Machine Translation for Indigenous Languages of the Americas (Bollmann et al. 2021)

BLEU scores

| Set | System | Track |  |  |  |  | Languages |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | AYM | BZD | CNI | GN | HCH | NAH | OTO | QUY | SHP | TAR |  |
| DEV | CoAStaL-1: Phrase-based | 1 | 2.57 | 3.83 | 2.79 | 2.59 | 6.81 | 2.33 | 1.44 | 1.73 | 3.70 | 1.26 |  |
|  | CoAStaL-2: Random | 2 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 1.14 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.02 |  |
| TEST | Helsinki-2 (best) | 1 | 2.80 | 5.18 | 6.09 | 8.92 | 15.67 | 3.25 | 5.59 | 5.38 | 10.49 | 3.56 |  |
|  | CoAStaL-1: Phrase-based | 1 | 1.11 | 3.60 | 3.02 | 2.20 | 8.80 | 2.06 | 2.72 | 1.63 | 3.90 | 1.05 |  |
|  | CoAStaL-2: Random | 1 | 1.07 | - | - | 2.24 | - | 2.06 | - | 1.24 | - | - |  |
|  | Baseline | 2 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 2.07 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.06 |  |
|  |  | 2 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.12 | 2.20 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.00 |  |

Recap through the Examples of Session I

1 Data enrichment

- Data collection
- Data augmentation

2 General machine learning
■ Unsupervised learning

- Weak supervision
- Transfer learning

3 Multilinguality and/or multimodality
4 Specialised architectures

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| :--- | :---: | :---: |
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| + Transfer learning domain adaptation | $12.3 \pm 0.3$ | $13.2 \pm 0.3$ |
| JW300+Bible+MENYO-20k domain adaptation | $10.9 \pm 0.3$ | $14.0 \pm 0.3$ |
| + Transfer learning domain adaptation | $\mathbf{1 2 . 4} \pm \mathbf{0 . 3}$ | $14.6 \pm 0.3$ |
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| Facebook M2M-100 multilingual | $3.3 \pm 0.2$ | $4.6 \pm 0.3$ |
| OPUS-MT bilingual | - | $5.9 \pm 0.2$ |

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## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

What we all Know about Embeddings

King - Man + Woman $=$ Queen

(Mikolov et al., NAACL HLT, 2013)

## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

Types of Embeddings

Frequency-based Embeddings

- Term frequency, TF-IDF, co-occurrence matrix


## Prediction-based Embeddings

- GloVe, skip-gram, CBoW, etc.


## Basic Unit

- word (word2vec, GloVe, etc.), n-gram (fastText), character (CWE)


## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

## Extrinsic Methods

Performance in a downstream NLP task

- Text classification, NER, PoS tagging, etc.


## "Intrinsic" Methods

Correlation with human judgments on words relations

- Word semantic similarity (WordSim, SemEval, SimVerb, etc.),
- Word analogy (SemEval, WordRep, MSR, etc.)

Unfortunately, methods do not correlate among themselves!

## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

 In the Low-Resource Setting..■ Few data affects the quality of the embeddings
■ Noise in data affects the quality of the embeddings
■ Domain mistmatch between training and task affects the performance of the embeddings

- The choice of the correct architecture might be more critical

■ Languages other than English are difficult to evaluate

## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

Example in LR: Yorùbá and Twi (Alabi et al., 2020)

| Description | Source URL | \#tokens | Status | C1 | C2 | C3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yorùbá |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lagos-NWU corpus | github.com/Niger-Volta-LTI | 24,868 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Alákọ̀wé | alakoweyoruba.wordpress.com | 24,092 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Ợọ̀ Yorùbá | oroyoruba.blogspot.com | 16,232 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Edè Yorùbá Rẹwạ | deskgram.cc/edeyorubarewa | 4,464 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Doctrine \$ Covenants | github.com/Niger-Volta-LTI | 20,447 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Bible | www.bible.com | 819,101 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| GlobalVoices | yo.globalvoices.org | 24,617 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Jehovah's Witness | www.jw.org/yo | 170,203 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| İrìnkèrindò nínú igbó elégbèje | manual | 56,434 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Igbó Olódùmarè | manual | 62,125 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| JW300 | opus.nlpl.eu/JW300.php | 10,558,055 | clean | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |
| YorùbáTweets | twitter.com/yobamoodua | 153,716 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| BBC Yorùbá | bbc.com/yoruba | 330,490 | noisy | $x$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Voice of Nigeria Yorùbánews | von.gov.ng/yoruba | 380,252 | noisy | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Wikipedia Twi | dumps.wikimedia.org/yowiki | 129,075 | noisy | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Bible | www.bible.com | 661,229 | clean | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Jehovah's Witness | www.jw.org/tw | 1,847,875 | noisy | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |
| Wikipedia | dumps.wikimedia.org/twwiki | 5,820 | noisy | $x$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |
| JW300 | opus.nlpl.eu/JW300.php | 13,630,514 | noisy | $x$ | $x$ | $\checkmark$ |

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■ FastText embeddings, intrinsic eval on wordsim-353 (manually translated)

|  | Twi |  | Yorùbá |  |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| Model | Vocab Size | Spearman $\rho$ | Vocab Size | Spearman $\rho$ |
| F1: Pre-trained Model (Wiki) | 935 | 0.143 | 21,730 | 0.136 |
| F2: Pre-trained Model <br> (Common Crawl \& Wiki) | NA | NA | 151,125 | 0.073 |
| C1: Curated Small Dataset | 9,923 | 0.354 | 12,268 | 0.322 |
| (Clean text) | 18,494 | $\mathbf{0 . 3 8 8}$ | 17,492 | 0.302 |
| C2: Curated Small Dataset <br> (Clean + some noisy text) <br> C3: Curated Large Dataset <br> (All Clean + Noisy texts) | 47,134 | 0.386 | 44,560 | $\mathbf{0 . 3 9 1}$ |

## Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

## Nice Properties beyond King - Man + Woman = Queen

(Luong, Pham \& Manning, NAACL, 2015)


Barnes-Hut-SNE visualisation of bilingual embeddings German/English

Monolingual Embeddings (Recap!)

## How do we achieve this bilingualism?

Cross-lingual embeddings, bilingual embeddings, multi-lingual embeddings

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## Cross-lingual Embeddings

Why cross-lingual embeddings?
■ Multilingual modeling of meaning

- Support for cross-lingual NLP

Why supervised cross-lingual embeddings?
■ Simplicity

- Supervision mostly possible (small dictionaries, common words...)

Why unsupervised cross-lingual embeddings?
■ Sometimes outperformed supervised ones!
■ Cases without dictionaries

## Cross-lingual Embeddings

- The summary is not comprehensive at all (cannot!)
- Selection biased towards understanding unsupervised NMT

■ Methods used for low-resource NLP

- Lot of info coming from Sebastian Ruder's blogs and tutorials. Don't miss them!


## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

## Form of Cross-lingual Supervision

- Word level: bilingual dictionaries, word alignments
- Sentence level: parallel corpora, sentence aligments
- Document level: comparable corpora, document alignments

(a) BiSkip

(You, t')
(Love, aime)
(I, Je)
(c) $\mathbf{B i C C A}$

(d) BiVCD

Figure 2: Forms of supervision required by the four models compared in this paper. From left to right, the cost of the supervision required varies from expensive (BiSkip) to cheap (BiVCD). BiSkip requires a parallel corpus annotated with word alignments (Fig. 2a), BiCVM requires a sentence-aligned corpus (Fig. 2b), BiCCA only requires a bilingual lexicon (Fig. 2c) and BiVCD requires comparable documents (Fig. 2d).

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

 Joint Learning Approaches

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Joint Learning Approaches: Bilingual Skipgram

Luong et al., 2015: Bilingual skipgram, direct but expensive


- predict words in the source language and predict aligned words in the target language
■ parallel corpora + (learned) word aligments


## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

## Joint Learning Approaches: Bilingual BilBOWA

Guows et al., 2015: Bilingual Bag-of-Words without Word Alignments (Coulmance et al., 2015: Trans-gram)


- monolingual skipgram loss
- every word in Source is uniformly aligned to every word in Target
- BilBOWA: minimise distance between the means of the words in the aligned sentences
- Trans-gram: every word in Target as context of every word in Source


## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

## Joint Learning Approaches: Matrix Co-factorization

Shi et al., 2015: Joint matrix factorisation


■ monolingual GloVe loss

- $\Omega_{1}$ : cross-lingual co-occurrence counts
- $\Omega_{2}$ : minimise the distances of the representations of related words in the two languages weighted by SMT probs
- parallel corpora + (learned) word aligments


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## Mapping Approaches: Isomorphism (and Other!) Assumption

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(Figure from Conneau et al., 2017)

Similarly, similar intra-lingual similarity would be expected


Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings Mapping Approaches, a bit of History (towards UnsupMT!)

Mikolov et al., 2013: Minimise Euclidean distance

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Xing et al., 2015: Minimise Cosine distance

Mismatch between the initial objective function, the distance measure, and the test distance measure

$$
W^{*}=\arg \max _{W} \cos \left(W x_{i}, y_{i}\right)
$$

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Mapping Approaches, a bit of History (towards UnsupMT!)

- The optimisation problem has no closed-form solution

■ If $W^{*}$ is orthogonal, it has a closed-form solution
■ Better results when $W^{*}$ is orthogonal

- Orthogonality preserves monolingual vector space topology

- If $W^{*}$ is orthogonal, Procrustes Problem


## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Procrustes, the Bandit from Attica

Back into Greece..

https://www.storyboardthat.com/es/storyboards/kaslam/procrustes-2

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Orthogonal Procrustes Problem

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Solution: $W=U V^{\top}$ where $X^{\top} Y=M=U \Sigma V^{T} \Rightarrow \operatorname{SVD}\left(Y X^{\top}\right)$ !

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Is it all so nice? Almost... the hubness problem

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

The curse of dimensionality, hubs
In a high-dimensional space, a small set of source vectors (the hubs), appear too frequently in the neighborhood of target vectors

For bilingual WE, some words are close to lots of target words, so they appear in lots of NNs

Example: English $\rightarrow$ Italian
(Dinu et al., ICLR, 2015)

| Hub | $\mathrm{N}_{20}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| blockmonthoff | 40 |
| 04.02 .05 | 26 |
| communauts | 26 |
| limassol | 25 |
| and | 23 |
| ampelia | 23 |
| $11 / 09 / 2002$ | 20 |
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|  | Translation | $N_{20}(\mathrm{Hub})$ | $x \mid \mathrm{Hub}=\mathrm{NN}_{1}(x)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| almighty $\rightarrow$ onnipotente | NN: dio | 38 | righteousness,almighty,jehovah,incarnate,god... |
| Hub: dio (god) | GC: onnipotente | 20 | god |
| killers $\rightarrow$ killer | NN: violentatori | 64 | killers,anders,rapists,abusers,ragnar |
| Hub: violentatori (rapists) | GC: killer | 22 | rapists |
| backwardness $\rightarrow$ arretratezza | NN: $11 / 09 / 2002$ | 110 | backwardness,progressivism,orthodoxies... |
| Hub: $11 / 09 / 2002$ | GC: arretratezza | 24 | orthodoxies,kumaratunga |

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

The Hubness Problem

■ Hubs appear in high-dimensional vectors

- Word embeddings
- Sentence embeddings (we'll find this later again!)
- ...
- Different ways to mitigate the problem.

Relevant for the next systems, rescaling cosine similarity:

- Margin-based similarity
- Discounting similarity in dense areas (/,-)


## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

## Margin-based and Cross-domain Similarity Local Scaling (CSLS)

$\operatorname{margin}_{\mathrm{CSLS}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, S_{\mathrm{L} 2}\right)=\cos \left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, S_{\mathrm{L} 2}\right)-\operatorname{avr}_{\mathrm{kNN}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, P_{k}\right) / 2-\operatorname{avr}_{\mathrm{kNN}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 2}, Q_{k}\right) / 2$
where

$$
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Artetxe \& Schwenk, ACL, 2019

$$
\operatorname{margin}_{\mathrm{LASER}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, S_{\mathrm{L} 2}\right)=\frac{\cos \left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, S_{\mathrm{L} 2}\right)}{\operatorname{avr}_{\mathrm{kNN}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 1}, P_{k}\right) / 2+\operatorname{avr}_{\mathrm{kNN}}\left(S_{\mathrm{L} 2}, Q_{k}\right) / 2}
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## Joint learning vs. Mapping

Remember, we rely on the isomorphism assumption of spaces. But,
■ separately trained embeddings are not approximately isomorphic in general Søgaard et al. (2018). It depends on

- the language pair, the comparability of the training corpora, and the parameters of the word embedding algorithms
- the assumption weakens for etymologically distant languages Patra et al. (2019)

■ embedding spaces in different languages are linearly equivalent only at local regions Nakashole and Flauger (2018)

■ in the low-resource setting, data might not be enough for good monolingual embeddings

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Ormanzabal et al., ACL, 2019: Mapping virtues and drawbacks

|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Eig. } \\ & \text { sim. }(\downarrow) \end{aligned}$ | Hub. NN ( $\uparrow$ ) |  | Hub. CSLS ( $\uparrow$ ) |  | P@1Eparl ( $\uparrow$ ) |  | P@1 MUSE ( $\uparrow$ ) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 10\% | 100\% | 10\% | 100\% | NN | CSLS | NN | CSLS |
| FI-EN | Joint learning |  | 28.9 | 0.45 | 52.8 | 1.13 | 57.5 | 65.2 | 68.3 | 83.4 | 85.2 |
|  | Mapping | 115.9 | 0.12 | 33.8 | 0.38 | 46.1 | 26.3 | 34.8 | 44.6 | 56.8 |
| ES-EN | Joint learning | 31.2 | 0.65 | 66.0 | 1.40 | 71.3 | 68.7 | 69.3 | 91.9 | 92.4 |
|  | Mapping | 47.8 | 0.58 | 63.1 | 1.31 | 69.1 | 65.4 | 67.0 | 87.1 | 89.0 |
| DE-EN | Joint learning | 32.8 | 0.58 | 58.8 | 1.29 | 65.2 | 70.6 | 70.4 | 90.1 | 89.2 |
|  | Mapping | 39.4 | 0.60 | 58.7 | 1.33 | 64.8 | 65.3 | 66.4 | 82.4 | 83.1 |
| IT-EN | Joint learning | 26.5 | 0.75 | 69.7 | 1.61 | 74.2 | 71.5 | 71.8 | 90.6 | 90.0 |
|  | Mapping | 43.9 | 0.65 | 63.9 | 1.53 | 70.8 | 64.1 | 67.2 | 84.4 | 85.9 |

Table 1: Evaluation measures for the two cross-lingual embedding approaches. Arrows indicate whether lower ( $\downarrow$ ) or higher ( $\uparrow$ ) is better. See text for further details.

## Supervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

From Supervised Mapping to Unsupervised Self-Learning

1 Supervised

- Joint learning
- Regularization term in the loss function
- Creating pseudo-bilingual corpora
- Mapping (post-hoc alignment)

2 Unsupervised

- Mapping with self-learning
- Mapping with adversarial training


## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings



## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

## Self-Learning (Mikel Artetxe Slide)



The difference between supervised and unsupervised is the (induction of) the seed dictionary

## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Self-Learning Basics

1 (Induce -isomorphism!) initial seed lexicon $D^{(0)}$

2 Mapping: learn the (linear —isomorphism!) projection $W^{(k)}$ with $D^{(k)}$

3 Induce a new dictionary $D^{(k+1)}$ from $X W^{(k)}$

## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

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- Similarity of monolingual similarity distributions
- Adversarial learning
- PCA-based similarity
- Solving optimal transport problem

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## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

The Importance of Pre/Post-Processing

## Pre-mapping

Normalisation: unit length normalisation, mean centering
Whitening: turning covariance matrices into the identity matrix (unit variance for each dim)

## Post-mapping

Re-weighting: re-weight each component according to its cross-correlation to increase the relevance of those that best match across languages

De-whitening: restore the original variance in each dimension
Dimensionality reduction: keep only the first $n$ components of the resulting embeddings (and set the rest to 0 )

## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

 Lexicon Induction via Heuristics (Artetxe et al., ACL, 2018)

- Words with similar meaning have similar monolingual similarity distributions
- Monolingual similarity: $X X^{\top}$


## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Lexicon Induction via Heuristics (Artetxe et al., ACL, 2018)

■ $X X^{T}$ dot product between all word combinations in a language. Intra-lingual similarity distribution

■ Smoothed monolingual similarity distribution:
$X^{\prime}=\operatorname{sorted}\left(\sqrt{X X^{T}}\right)$ and $Y^{\prime}=\operatorname{sorted}\left(\sqrt{Y Y^{T}}\right)$

- Dictionary: Nearest neighbours from $X^{\prime}$ and $Y^{\prime}$. Similarity between similarities!


## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

Lexicon Induction via Adversarial Training (Conneau et al., ICLR, 2018)



## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

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## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

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## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

1 We have monolingual embeddings
2 We learn $W$ with adversarial training
$3 W$ is not good enough. Most frequent words (better embeddings) used to solve the Procrustes problem, refined W

4 Given a word in L1 and $W$, the equivalent word in L2 can be found by its nearest neighbours according to CSLS

## Unsupervised Cross-lingual Embeddings

So, what? Comparision in Artetxe et al., ACL, 2018

- Accuracy (\%)

| Supervision | Method | EN-IT | EN-DE | EN-FI | EN-ES |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5 k dict. | Mikolov et al. (2013) | $34.93{ }^{\dagger}$ | $35.00^{\dagger}$ | $25.91{ }^{\dagger}$ | $27.73^{\dagger}$ |
|  | Faruqui and Dyer (2014) | $38.40{ }^{*}$ | 37.13* | $27.60^{*}$ | 26.80** |
|  | Shigeto et al. (2015) | $41.53{ }^{\dagger}$ | $43.07{ }^{\dagger}$ | $31.04{ }^{\dagger}$ | $33.73^{\dagger}$ |
|  | Dinu et al. (2015) | 37.7 | 38.93* | 29.14* | $30.40^{*}$ |
|  | Lazaridou et al. (2015) | 40.2 | - | - | - |
|  | Xing et al. (2015) | $36.87^{\dagger}$ | $41.27{ }^{\dagger}$ | $28.23{ }^{\dagger}$ | $31.20{ }^{\dagger}$ |
|  | Zhang et al. (2016) | $36.73^{\dagger}$ | $40.80^{\dagger}$ | $28.16^{\dagger}$ | $31.07^{\dagger}$ |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2016) | 39.27 | 41.87* | $30.62^{*}$ | 31.40 * |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2017) | 39.67 | 40.87 | 28.72 | - |
|  | Smith et al. (2017) | 43.1 | $43.33{ }^{\dagger}$ | $29.42^{\dagger}$ | $35.13^{\dagger}$ |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2018a) | 45.27 | 44.13 | 32.94 | 36.60 |
| 25 dict. | Artetxe et al. (2017) | 37.27 | 39.60 | 28.16 |  |
| Init. heurist. | Smith et al. (2017), cognates | 39.9 | - | - | - |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2017), num. | 39.40 | 40.27 | 26.47 | - |
| None | Zhang et al. (2017a), $\lambda=1$ | $0.00{ }^{*}$ | 0.00 * | $0.00{ }^{*}$ | $0.00{ }^{*}$ |
|  | Zhang et al. (2017a), $\lambda=10$ | 0.00 * | 0.00* | 0.01* | $0.01{ }^{*}$ |
|  | Conneau et al. (2018), code ${ }^{\ddagger}$ | 45.15* | 46.83* | $0.38{ }^{*}$ | 35.38* |
|  | Conneau et al. (2018), paper $^{\ddagger}$ | 45.1 | 0.01* | 0.01* | $35.44^{*}$ |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2018) | 48.13 | 48.19 | 32.63 | 37.33 |

1 Recap through the Examples of Session I

2 Word Embeddings

- Basics
- Frequency and Prediction-based Embeddings
- Cross-lingual Embeddings

3 Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

1. Data

- Monolingual corpora

2. Initialisation

- Cross-lingual embeddings
- Deep MLM pretraining

3. Training

SMT and/or NMT

- Denoising autoencoder
- Backtranslation


## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## A robust self-learning method for fully unsupervised cross-lingual mappings of word embeddings

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[^0]pervised settings (Zhang et al., 2017a,b; Conneau et al., 2018). However, their evaluation has focused on particularly favorable conditions, limited to closely-related languages or comparable *r... $\cdot=$

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Unsupervised Neural Machine Translation

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## Abstract

In spite of the recent success of neural machine translation (NMT) in standard

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Seminal Works by IXA (Simultaneous with Facebook)

# Unsupervised Statistical Machine Translation 

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## Abstract

While modern machine translation has relied on large parallel corpora, a recent line of work
parallel corpora, although SMT is still superior when the training corpus is not big enough (Koehn and Knowles, 2017).

Somewhat paradoxically, while most machine

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

# W ORD TRANSLATION WITHOUT PARALLEL DATA 

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## Abstract

State-of-the-art methods for learning cross-lingual word embeddings have relied on bilingual dictionaries or parallel corpora. Recent studies showed that the need for parallel data supervision can be alleviated with character-level information. While these methods showed encouraging results, they are not on par with their

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Unsupervised Machine Translation <br> Using Monolingual Corpora Only

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## Abstract

Machine translation has recently achieved impressive performance thanks to recent advances in deep learning and the availability of large-scale parallel corpora. There have been numerous attempts to extend these successes to low-resource lan-

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## Seminal Works by Facebook (Simultaneous with IXA)

## Phrase-Based \& Neural Unsupervised Machine Translation

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pairs using neural approaches (Wu et al., 2016; Hassan et al., 2018), other studies have highlighted several open challenges (Koehn and Knowles, 2017; Isabelle et al., 2017; Sennrich, 2017). A ma-

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

Initialisation



## Unsupervised Machine Translation

The Three Principles (from Lample et al., ICLR, 2018)

Initialisation


## Unsupervised Machine Translation

Initialisation


## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Basics with Principles (Slides from Mikel Artetxe)

## Training

- Supervised

Une fusillade a eu lieu à l'aéroport international de Los Angeles.


There was a shooting in Los Angeles International Airport.

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Basics with Principles (Slides from Mikel Artetxe)

Training

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## Basics with Principles (Slides from Mikel Artetxe)

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- fupervised
- Denoising


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FR decoder


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- Denoising


$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}^{\text {denoise }} \sim- & \log P_{s \rightarrow s}(x \mid C(x)) \\
& -\log P_{t \rightarrow t}(y \mid C(y))
\end{aligned}
$$

FR decoder


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Une lieu fusillade a eu à l'aéroport de Los international Angeles.

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## Training

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- Denoising
- Backtranslation



## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Basics with Principles (Slides from Mikel Artetxe)

Training

- Supervised
- Denoising FR decoder
- Backtranslation



## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Basics with Principles (Slides from Mikel Artetxe)

Training

- supervised
- Denoising



## Unsupervised Machine Translation

Evaluation with BLEU

|  |  | WMT-14 |  |  |  |  | WMT-16 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | fr-en | en-fr | de-en | en-de |  | de-en | en-de |
| Supervised | Vaswani et al. (2017) | - | 41.0 | - | 28.4 | - | - | - |
|  | Edunov et al. (2018) | - | 45.6 | - | 35.0 | - | - | - |
| NMT | Artetxe et al. (2018) | 15.6 | 15.1 | 10.2 | 6.6 |  | - | - |
|  | Lample et al. (2018a) | 14.3 | 15.1 | - | - |  | 13.3 | 9.6 |
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## Unsupervised Machine Translation

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| SMT | Artetxe et al. (2018) | 25.9 | 26.2 | 17.4 | 14.1 | 23.1 | 18.2 |
|  | Lample et al. (2018b) | 27.2 | 28.1 | - | - | 22.9 | 17.9 |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2019) | $\underline{28.4}$ | 30.1 | 20.1 | 15.8 | 25.4 | 19.7 |
| SMT+ NMT | Lample et al. (2018b) | 27.7 | 27.6 | - | - | 25.2 | 20.2 |
|  | Artetxe et al. (2019) | 33.5 | 36.2 | 27.0 | 22.5 | 34.4 | 26.9 |

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

## Evaluation with BLEU

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| Leaderboard | Unsupervised | GPT-3 | MASS | GPT-3 | GPT-3 |  | Artetxe19 | Artetxe19 |

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

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## Unsupervised Machine Translation

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An Approach for Low-Resource MT?
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## When Does Unsupervised Machine Translation Work?

Kelly Marchisio, Kevin Duhand and Philipp Koehn, WMT 2020
■ on different scripts and between dissimilar languages?
■ with imperfect domain alignment between source and target corpora?
■ with a domain mismatch between training data and the test set?
■ on the low-quality data of real low-resource languages?

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

When Does Unsupervised Machine Translation Work? Marchisio et al. (2020)

|  | Supervised | Parallel | Disjoint | Diff. Dom. <br> Corpus <br> $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{A}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{A}$ | $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{B}$ | $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{CC}^{*}$ |  |  |
| Ru-En | 26.9 | $23.7(-3.2)$ | $21.2(-5.7)$ | $0.7(-26.2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Fr}-\mathrm{En}$ | 29.9 | $27.6(-2.3)$ | $27.0(-2.9)$ | $3.9(-26.0)$ |

- A, B disjoint parts of UN corpus, CC (Common Crawl)
- SacreBLEU on newstest2019 (Ru-En) and newstest2014 (Fr-En)
- Different domain even more crucial than distant languages
- Why?


## Unsupervised Machine Translation

When Does Unsupervised Machine Translation Work? Marchisio et al. (2020)

|  | Condition | Min | Max | $\mu$ | $\sigma$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Fr-En | Parallel | 48.00 | 50.20 | 49.09 | 0.69 |
|  | Disjoint | 37.88 | 39.09 | 38.47 | 0.37 |
|  | Diff. Dom. | $\mathbf{0 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 2 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 9 5}$ |
|  | News | 25.86 | 28.10 | 26.97 | 0.56 |
|  | CC | 25.87 | 27.60 | 26.90 | 0.51 |
| Ru-En | Parallel | 32.24 | 34.04 | 32.95 | 0.47 |
|  | Disjoint | 25.08 | 26.96 | 25.79 | 0.58 |
|  | Diff. Dom. | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.03 |
|  | News | 22.19 | 23.77 | 23.10 | 0.44 |
|  | CC | $\mathbf{0 . 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 6 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 6 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 4 5}$ |

- Accuracies (\%) of induced dictionaries on 10-11 runs. Bold experiments were unstable


## Unsupervised Machine Translation

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When Does Unsupervised Machine Translation NOT Work? Ruiter et al. (2021)
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|  | English | Afrikaans | Nepali | Kannada | Yorúbà | Swahili | Burmese |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Typology | fusional | fusional | fusional | agglutinative | analytic | agglutinative | analytic |
| Word Order | SVO | SOV,SVO | SOV | SOV | SOV,SVO | SVO | SOV |
| Script | Latin | Latin | Brahmic | Brahmic | Latin | Latin | Brahmic |
| $\boldsymbol{\operatorname { s i m } ( L - e n ) ~}$ | 1.000 | 0.822 | 0.605 | 0.602 | 0.599 | 0.456 | 0.419 |

■ We have seen different domains (src vs. tgt, train vs. test). But also...

- When the word order is very different, different typology, different script

■ All this makes mapping word embeddings a challenge

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

When Does Unsupervised Machine Translation NOT Work? Ruiter et al. (2021)

| Pair | \| Init. | Config. | Best | UMT | USMT+NMT | LASER | TSS | \#P (k) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| en2af | WE | B+BT | 51.2土.9 | $27.9 \pm .8$ | $44.2 \pm .9$ | $52.1 \pm 1.0$ | 35.3 | 37 |
| af2en | WE | $B+B T$ | $52.2 \pm .9$ | $1.4 \pm .1$ | $0.7 \pm .1$ | $52.9 \pm .9$ | - |  |
| en2kn | DAE | $B+B T+W T+N$ | $0.3 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | - | 21.3 | 397 |
| kn2en | DAE | $B+B T+W T+N$ | $0.9 \pm .1$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | - | 40.3 | 397 |
| en2my | DAE | $B(+B T+W T)$ | $0.1 \pm .0$ | $0.1 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | 39.3 | 223 |
| my2en | DAE | $B(+B T+W T)$ | $0.7 \pm .1$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.1 \pm .0$ | 38.6 | 223 |
| en2ne | DAE | $B+B T+W T+N$ | $0.3 \pm .0$ | $0.1 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.5 \pm .1$ | 8.8 | - |
| ne2en | DAE | $\mathrm{B}+\mathrm{BT}+\mathrm{WT}(+\mathrm{N})$ | $0.5 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $0.2 \pm .0$ | 21.5 | - |
| en2sw | WE | $B+B T+W T+N$ | $7.7 \pm .3$ | $3.6 \pm .2$ | $0.2 \pm .0$ | $10.0 \pm .3$ | 14.8 | 995 |
| sw2en | DAE | $B+B T$ | $6.8 \pm .2$ | $0.3 \pm .0$ | $0.0 \pm .0$ | $8.4 \pm .3$ | 19.7 | 995 |
| en2yo | WE | $B+B T+W T$ | $2.9 \pm .1$ | $1.0 \pm .1$ | $0.3 \pm .1$ | - | 12.3 | 501 |
| yo2en | DAE | $B+B T+W T$ | $3.1 \pm .1$ | 0.6土.0 | $0.0 \pm .0$ | - | 22.4 | 501 |

## Unsupervised Machine Translation

It's Late..

## More to come!!

Thanks! And...
wait!


# Cross-Lingual Word Embeddings Unsupervised Machine Translation 

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## Back-up Slides

Continuous Bag of Words, CBoW
Input Word Word Embedding Output Word


## Back-up Slides

Sumo is a sport where a rikishi attempts to force another wrestler out of a circular ring.


## Back-up Slides

## More Detailed Architecture (skip-gram)

## Output layer probabilities of context words



Credits: Xin Rong

## Back-up Slides



Input Embedding
The row $i$ of the input matrix W is the $1 \times \mathrm{d}$ for word $i$ in the vocabulary

## Back-up Slides



Output Embedding
The column $j$ of the output matrix $\mathrm{W}^{\prime}$ is the $\mathrm{d} \times 1$ for word $j$ in the vocabulary

## Back-up Slides

Orthogonal Procrustes Problem


centered landmarks

centered and scaled landmarks

centered, scaled, and rotated Ims

## Back-up Slides

## Orthogonal Procrustes Problem

The proof is so simple and elegant...

$$
\begin{gathered}
\|A W-B\|_{F}=\sum_{i, j}(A W-B)_{i, j}^{2}= \\
\sum_{i, j}(A W)_{i, j}^{2}+(B)_{i, j}^{2}-2(A W)_{i, j}(B)_{i, j}=
\end{gathered}
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\|A W\|_{F}+\|B\|_{F}-2 \operatorname{tr}\left(W^{T} A^{T} B\right)=\|A\|_{F}+\|B\|_{F}-2 \operatorname{tr}\left(W^{T} A^{T} B\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

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## Orthogonal Procrustes Problem

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\|A W-B\|_{F}=\sum_{i, j}(A W-B)_{i, j}^{2}= \\
\sum_{i, j}(A W)_{i, j}^{2}+(B)_{i, j}^{2}-2(A W)_{i, j}(B)_{i, j}= \\
\|A W\|_{F}+\|B\|_{F}-2 \operatorname{tr}\left(W^{T} A^{T} B\right)=\|A\|_{F}+\|B\|_{F}-2 \operatorname{tr}\left(W^{T} A^{T} B\right) \\
\operatorname{tr}\left(W^{\top} A^{T} B\right)=\operatorname{tr}\left(W^{\top} U \Sigma V^{\top}\right)=\left(V^{\top} W^{\top} U \Sigma\right) \\
V^{\top} W^{\top} U=I \Rightarrow W=U V^{T}, \mathbf{Q E D} .
\end{gathered}
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a linear transformation is a rotation or reflection, followed by a scaling, followed by another rotation or reflection

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\sigma_{1} & & & \\
& \cdot & & 0 \\
& & \cdot & \\
& 0 & & \sigma_{r} \\
& & & 0
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\Sigma_{r} \Longrightarrow \mathbf{M}_{r}
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