

ATCS Practical

Natural Language Inference

Lab session 1

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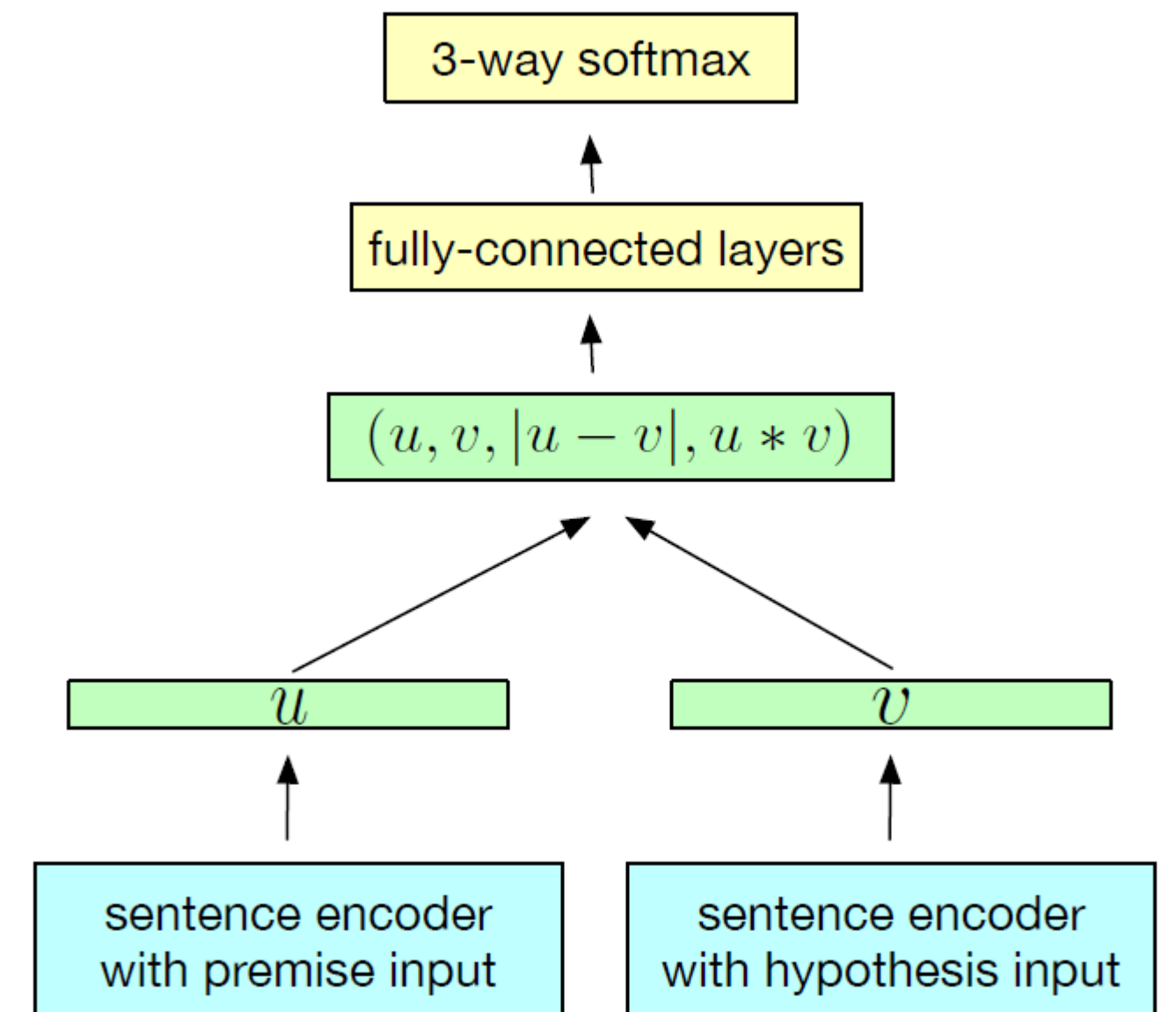


Assignment: SNLI Corpus of Bowman et al. (2015)

- **Data** Stanford Natural Language Inference (SNLI) Corpus;
- **Size** 570k sentence pairs;
- **Labels** entailment, contradiction, neutral.

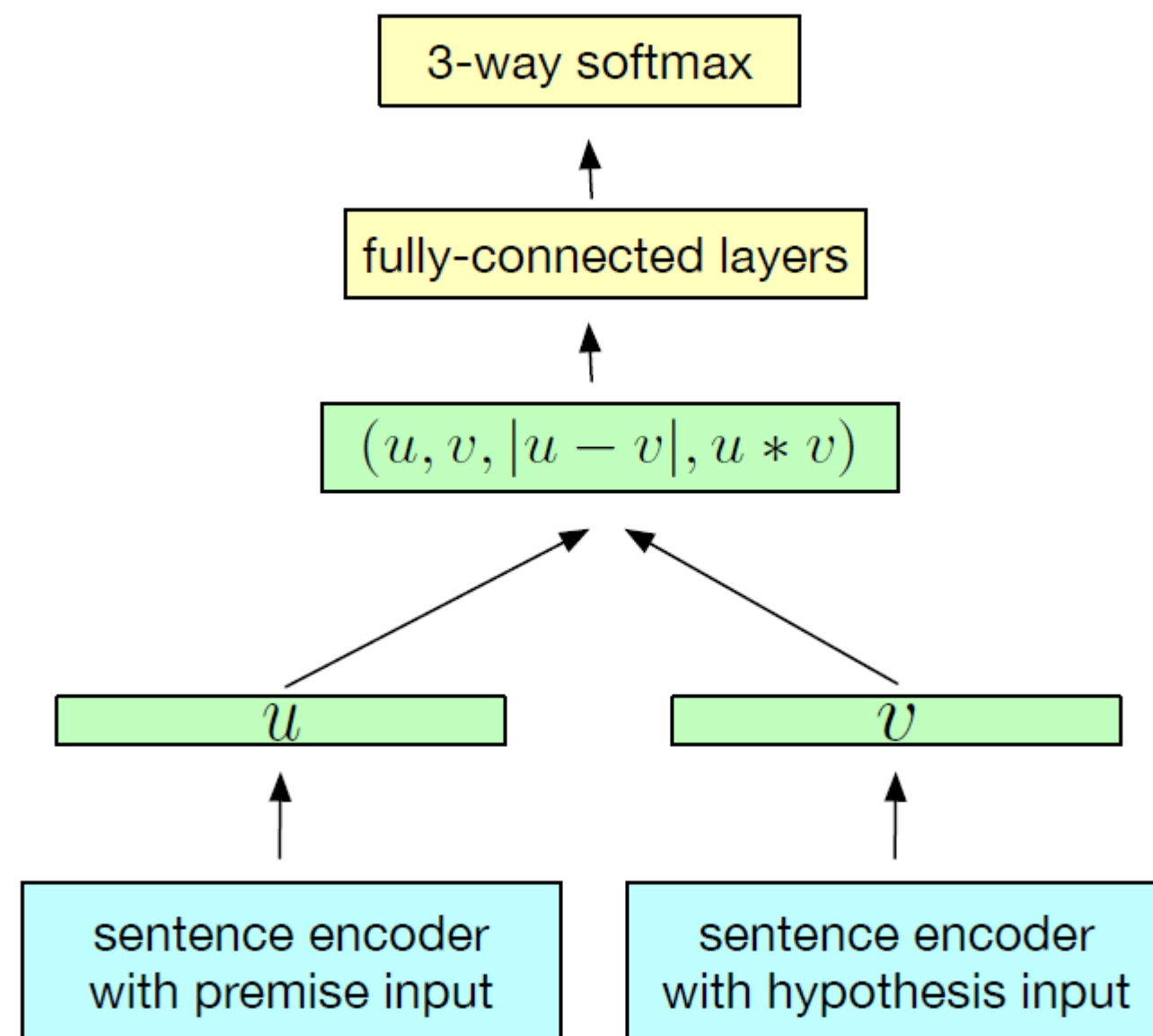
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2. **Encode** P and H with the same encoder and pool words;
 - a. Average word embeddings;
 - b. Uni-LSTM, use last hidden state;
 - c. Bi-LSTM, use first and last hidden state;
 - d. Bi-LSTM, use max pooling over words.
3. **Classify** with MLP.



Assignment: Evaluation

- **Regular testing** using the SNLI test set (Bowman et al., 2015);
- **Transfer testing** using the SentEval library (Conneau & Kiela, 2018).

Assignment: Practicalities

- [Read](#) the papers before starting;
- Implement in [PyTorch](#), use Torchtext for preprocessing SNLI and GloVe;
- Use a [Tensorboard](#);
- Follow a tutorial for using [SentEval](#);
- Use [Lisa](#) to train!

Deliverables

- **Code** Python files for training and evaluation;
- **Documentation** A ReadMe describing code with instructions for running;
- **Pretrained models** The final checkpoint for each model;
- **Demo and error analysis** A Jupyter notebook containing
 - example inferences,
 - a result overview (SNLI & SentEval),
 - error analysis.

Deadline is Friday, April 17, midnight.

Grading

- **In-person evaluation** through Zoom screen-sharing:
 - You demonstrate your results and analysis in the notebook;
 - We shortly inspect your code.
- **Scheduled** to take place Tuesday, April 21.

It's Q&A time: submit
questions through
the chat.



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