Recurrent Neural Networks and NLP

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Word Embeddings



https://home.ttic.edu/~kgimpel/wordembviz/wordembviz.html



by the river



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Backpropagation in RNN's

• We can still do backpropagation by unrolling the network in time:



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Decoder

(Bi-directional LSTM)



Weights are calculated using "softmax" over the output of an alignment model

 $e_{ij} = a(s_{i-1}, h_j)$

Alignment model is a simple feedforward network

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Attention: Alignment Example

- English to French translation
- Each "pixel" shows the corresponding α_{ii}



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