Mamba: Linear-Time Sequence Modeling with Selective State Spaces

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Quadratic attention has been indispensable for information-dense modalities such as language... until now.

Announcing Mamba: a new SSM arch. that has linear-time scaling, ultra long context, and most importantly--outperforms Transformers everywhere we've tried.

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Background

- Foundation models
- Large models pretrained on massive data then adapted for downstream tasks
- Backbone : sequence models

Attention Is All You Need

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- Multi-Head Self-Attention
- Feed Forward
- Residual Connection & Layer Norm

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Scaled Dot-Product Attention

$$
Attention(Q, K, V) = softmax\left(\frac{QK^{T}}{\sqrt{d_{k}}}\right)V
$$

X

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'Multi-head attention allows the model to jointly attend to information from different representation subspaces at different positions. With a single attention head, averaging inhibits this.'

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$max(0, XW_1 + b_1)W_2 + b_2$

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Add & Norm

LayerNorm $(X + \text{MultiHeadAttention}(X))$ LayerNorm $(X + \text{FeedForward}(X))$

- Decoder:
- 2 x Multi-Head Self-Attention
- 1st Masked Multi-Head Self-Attention
- 2nd Q K V
- Softmax

• Masked Multi-Head Self-Attention

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• Softmax

• Positional Encoding

$$
\overrightarrow{p_{t}}^{(i)}=f(t)^{(i)}:=\begin{cases} \sin(\omega_{k}.\,t), & \text{if } i=2k \\ \cos(\omega_{k}.\,t), & \text{if } i=2k+1 \end{cases} \quad \omega_{k}=\frac{1}{10000^{2k/d}}
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Advantages of Transformer

- Enhanced Parallelization Capabilities
- Capturing Long-Distance Dependencies
- Dynamic Weight Allocation

Disadvantages of Transformer

- Computational Efficiency Issues
	- Quadratic Time Complexity
	- High Memory Consumption
- Limited Capability with Long Sequences
	- Limited Effective Resolution Window
	- Extended Training Times
- Overparameterization

$SSMs$ —S4

Efficiently Modeling Long Sequences with Structured State Spaces

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Maarten Grootendorst 《A Visual Guide to Mamba and State Space Models》

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HiPPO: Recurrent Memory with Optimal Polynomial Projections

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 $SSMs$ —S4

Input Signal

Reconstructed Signal

Training mode (convolutional) Inference mode (recurrence)

Mamba——S6

- Selection Mechanism
- Hardware-aware Algorithm
- Simpler SSM Architecture

Disadvantages of Previous Works

- Transformer——long context
- RNN——forget far context
- S4——fixed A, B, C

• Selection Mechanism

Matrix B How the input influences the state

Matrix C How the current state translates to the output

 $\mathbf N$

L

Step size (Δ) Resolution of the input (discretization parameter)

B

 $s_B(x) = \text{Linear}_N(x)$ $s_C(x) = Linear_N(x)$ $s_{\Delta}(x) = \text{Linear}_D(x)$ τ_{Δ} = softplus

Size of input vector (D)

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Structured State Space Model (S4)

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• Hardware-aware Algorithm

Sequential computation O(n)

Parallel computation O(n/t)

• Hardware-aware Algorithm (2)

Initial tensors \longrightarrow Calculation 1 \longrightarrow Write results \longrightarrow Calculation 2 \longrightarrow Write results

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Experiments
Table 3: (Zero-shot Evaluations.) Best results for each size in bold. We compare against open source LMs with various tokenizers,

trained for up to 300B tokens. Pile refers to the validation split, comparing only against models trained on the same dataset and tokenizer (GPT-NeoX-20B). For each model size, Mamba is best-in-class on every single evaluation result, and generally matches baselines at twice the model size.

Input

Output

Table 1: (Selective Copying.) Accuracy for combinations of architectures and inner sequence layers.

Input

Output

Table 6: (Ablations: Architecture and SSM layer.) The Mamba block performs similarly to H3 while being simpler. In the inner layer, there is little difference among different parameterizations of LTI models, while selective SSMs (S6) provide a large improvement. More specifically, the S4 (real) variant is S4D-Real and the S4 (complex) variant is S4D-Lin.

Why Rejected by ICLR24

• Need comparison with H3

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• Scaling beyond 1.4B, vs Transformer 10B

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• Beyond Training Length

Mean loss for each token position - models trained with 2K context

Conclusions

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- Hardware-aware Algorithm
- Simpler SSM Architecture

Thank You!