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SYNOPSIS

- Generations from RNN-based models tend to be generic, repetitive, and contradictory.
- The current loss scheme used for RNNs (cross-entropy & teacher-forcing) is fundamentally **shallow** & **passive**.
- To capture more abstract **communicative goals** we train discriminators to express elements of Grice's Maxims [5]
- These discriminators learn to cooperate by practicing writing text and then comparing the result to human text

Communicative Goals

Discriminators are trained to identify abstract properties of text from adversarially extracted data:



A generalization of **Product of Experts** [4] is used to combine signals from different discriminators



Learning by Practice



Discussion

Modeling space is constrained M	1odelin
by RNN limitations	coope
Word level only loss	Word

RNN vs L2W

Teacher-forcing means RNNs	Learn
only learn to read passively	gene
Cross-entropy only measures	
word prediction error	with c

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RNN Deficiencies

All in all, I would highly recommend this hotel to anyone who wants to be in the heart of the action, and want to be in the heart of the action. If you want to be in the heart of the action, this is not the place for you. However, If you want to be in the middle of the action, this is the place to be.

TripAdvisor L2W Example

The bed was super comfortable! I can't think of a single thing that wasn't perfect. We didn't have breakfast at the hotel, but there are plenty of cafes and patisseries nearby. It's a bit of a walk to the nearest metro, but I'm sure that's the best way to see Paris!!

BookCorpus L2W Example

It was the voice of a man who had never heard him speak before. He didn't even know what to say, so he just nodded and turned away. The rest of the congregation gathered around him. There were so many people in their midst now that they were all looking at him. He felt a little sick.

Results



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rd & paragraph loss

ning by practice means erators learn to write

oss enhances generator communicative goals



L2W is preferred over competitive baselines by human evaluators, on specific criteria (left) and overall quality (right)