# Summarizing Source Code using a Neural Attention Model

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## Overview

Our task is to generate high-level summaries of the function of programming source code.

**C#**

```
var x = "FundList[10].Amount";
int xIndex = Convert.ToInt32(
  Regex.Match(x,@"\d+").Value);
```
Identify the number in given string

```
foreach (string parentText in xml.parent){
   TreeNode parent = new TreeNode();
   foreach (string childText in xml.child){
      TreeNode child = new TreeNode();
     parent.Nodes.Add(child); }}
```
Adding childs to a tree node dynamically in C#

```
string url = baseUrl +
  "/api/Entry/SendEmail?emailId=" + emailId;
WebRequest req = WebRequest.Create(url);
req.Method = "GET";
req.BeginGetResponse(null, null);
```
Execute a get request on a web server and receive the response asynchronously

**SQL**

```
SELECT * FROM table
ORDER BY RANDOM() LIMIT 10;
```
Select random rows from mysql table

```
SELECT GROUP_CONCAT(
  CONCAT_WS(',', PlayerId, R1))
FROM (
  SELECT PlayerId, SUM(Rank=1) R1
  FROM Result GROUP BY PlayerId)
```
Get sum of group values based on condition and concatenate them into a string

These summaries have many SE applications:

Code Search  Documentation  Code Navigation

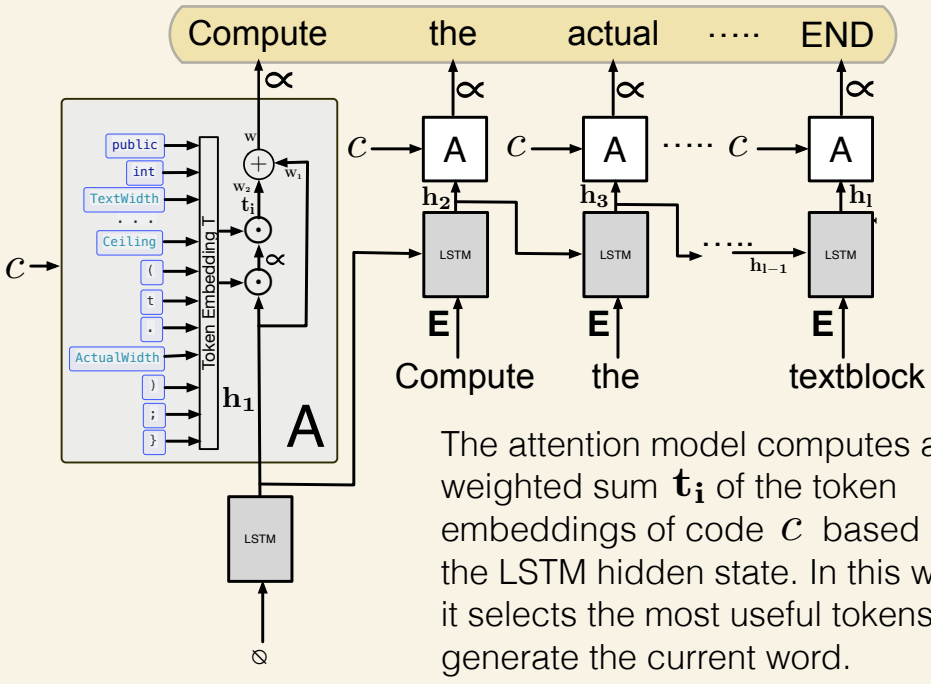
## Neural Attention Model

We use an end-to-end model that jointly performs content selection using an attention mechanism, and surface realization using Long Short Term Memory networks.

We model the conditional next-word probability as:

$$p(n_i|n_1,\ldots,n_{i-1}) \propto \mathbf{W}\ \tanh(\mathbf{W_1 h_i} + \mathbf{W_2 t_i})$$

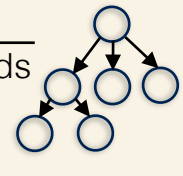
$\mathbf{h_i}$ is the hidden state of the LSTM cell at the time step i




The attention model computes a weighted sum $\mathbf{t_i}$ of the token embeddings of code $c$ based on the LSTM hidden state. In this way, it selects the most useful tokens to generate the current word.

## Future Work

1. Generation models using tree to sequence methods
2. Discovery and explanation of code idioms
3. Using language-code models for code synthesis



## Code Summarization Dataset

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We create a new dataset from programming QA websites containing 66K C# and 33K SQL examples.

stackoverflow

**Compute the actual textwidth inside a textblock**

Solution working on WP8 device

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```
public int TextWidth(string text) {
  TextBlock t = new TextBlock();
  t.Text = text;
  return (int)Math.Ceiling(t.ActualWidth);
}
```
C#

According to all information I found, ActualWidth should not be set until control is measured .....

Code snippets in this dataset are non-trivial:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Loops | > 20% | > 2 Functions | 50% | \|Code\| | 38 |
| Conditionals | > 22% | > 2 Statements | 45% | \|Summary\| | 12 |

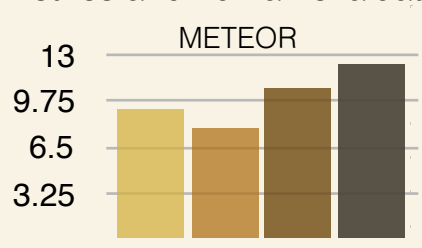
## Human Annotations

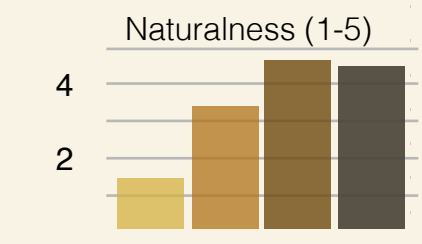
We gather 2 additional references for 200 code snippets for more accurate development and testing.

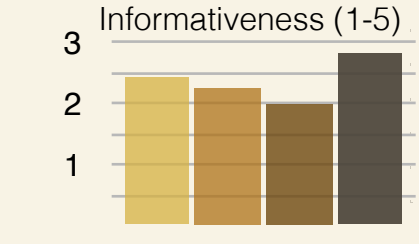
Data/Code at: https://github.com/sriniiyer/codenn

## Experiments

Our model beats competitive baselines on summarization metrics and human evaluations.

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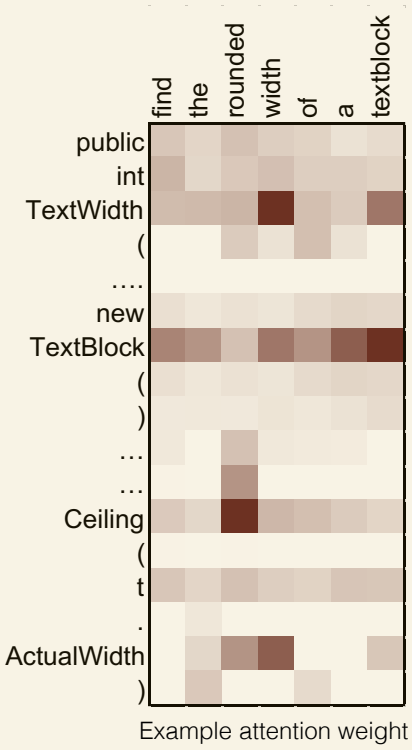


Example attention weight heat-map

### Example Outputs

| | |
|---|---|
| C# | How to convert string to int? |
| | How to get all child nodes in TreeView? |
| | How to call a URL from a web api post ? |
| SQL | How to get random rows from a mysql database? |
| | How to get the sum of a column in a single query? |