

# Introduction to Recurrent Neural Network

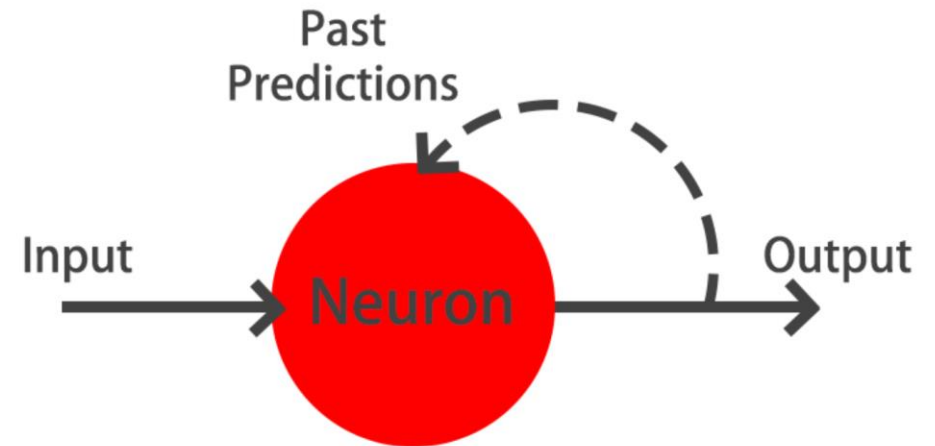
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# What is RNN?

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A type of Neural Network that uses past prediction in order to infer new ones

This allows us to solve problems where there is dependence on past input



# Some examples of Dependence

- **Speech Recognition:**
  - Exp: Convert spoken voice to text
  - I want to give it to you, to understand what it means in this sentence requires previous input

# Some examples of Dependence

- **Machine Translation/Generation**
  - To convert the language from English to French
  - To generate a sequence of text

# Some examples of Dependence

- **Video Analysis**
  - Recognizing actions in videos, such as detecting whether someone is running, jumping, or sitting.
  - Recognizing actions in a video requires the model to understand the sequence of frames. For example, identifying a person as "running" requires understanding the movement over a series of frames, not just a single frame.

# Characteristics of RNN

## Sequential Data Processing:

- RNNs are designed to process sequences of data, such as time series, text, or speech, where the order of the data points matters.

## Hidden State:

- RNNs maintain a "hidden state" that acts as a memory of previous inputs.

# When to use RNN?



RNNs are best for tasks that involve sequences, such as:



Time series prediction



NLP tasks (translation, sentiment analysis)



speech recognition, video analysis, and sequence-to-sequence problems.

# Limitation of RNN

RNNs can not maintain long range dependency, because of vanishing gradient problem.





# LSTMs and GRU

Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) and Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU) are both types of Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs).

Designed to address the vanishing gradient problem and capture long-term dependencies in sequential data.

These use a memory cell to do that.

# LSTM vs GRU

Feature	LSTM (Long Short-Term Memory)	GRU (Gated Recurrent Unit)
Number of Gates	3 gates: Forget gate, Input gate, Output gate	2 gates: Update gate, Reset gate
Memory Cell	Yes, separate memory cell and hidden state	No, combines memory and hidden state into one unit
Complexity	More complex due to 3 gates and a separate memory cell	Simpler with fewer gates (2 gates)
Training Time	Takes longer to train due to more parameters	Faster to train due to simpler structure
Performance	Better for tasks needing long-term memory (complex tasks)	Can perform similarly in many tasks, but with fewer parameters
Ability to Remember	Better at capturing long-term dependencies	Also captures long-term dependencies but might be slightly less effective
Computation Cost	Higher computation cost due to additional parameters	Lower computation cost due to fewer parameters
Default Choice	Used when the problem needs complex memory management	Often preferred when simplicity and speed are important
Popular Use Cases	Language modeling, speech recognition, time-series prediction	Similar tasks but with faster results or less complex data