Assignment 6

Neural Networks and Deep Learning

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Github: https://github.com/BryanBo-Cao/neuralnets-deeplearning

Part 1

Set your code up to train a net given H and N. Each time you run the code, it should randomize the initial weights and generate a random training set of 10000 examples of length N. Also generate a random test set of 10000 examples of length N.

Train your net for $H \in \{5, 25\}$ and for $N \in \{2, 10, 25, 50\}$. Use an RNN with tanh activation functions. For each combination of H and N, run 10 replications of your simulation.

Make a graph of mean % correct on the test set for the different values of H and N. I'll be more impressed if you plot not only the mean but also the standard error of the mean (= standard deviation of the 10 replications divided by sqrt(10)).

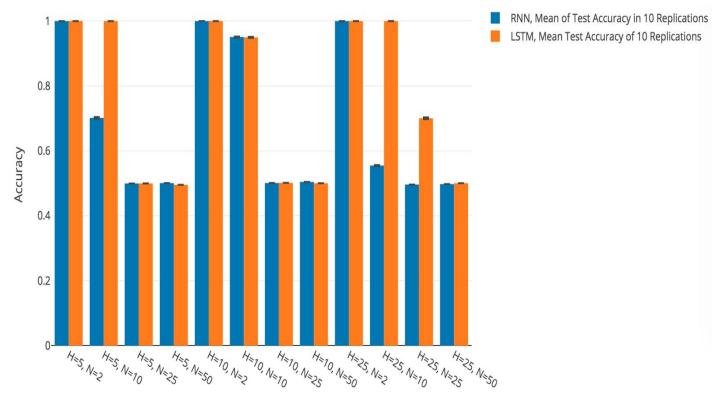
Part 2

Repeat the experiment of Part 1, but use LSTM neurons instead of standard tanh neurons in the recurrent layer.

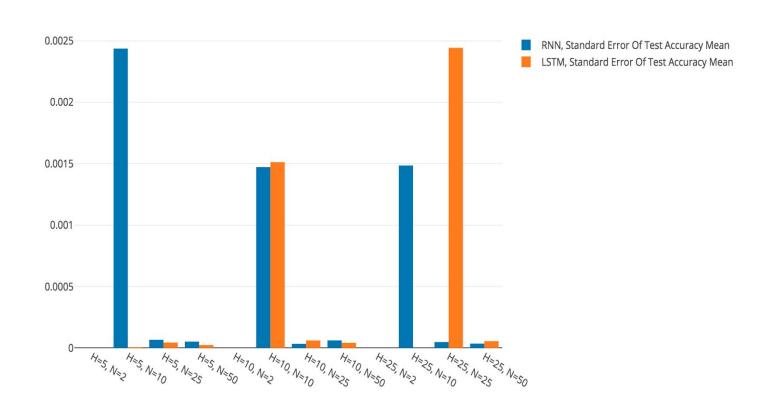
Me:

The graph is shown below, results using **RNN** are shown in **blue** while results using **LSTM** are shown in **orange**. Each setting's parameters (Hidden Unit Number -- H and Length of the Sequence -- N) are shown in x-axis. In each setting, the **mean of the accuracy** on test set of 10 replications is displayed in the shape of **bar** while the **standard error** of the mean is shown in



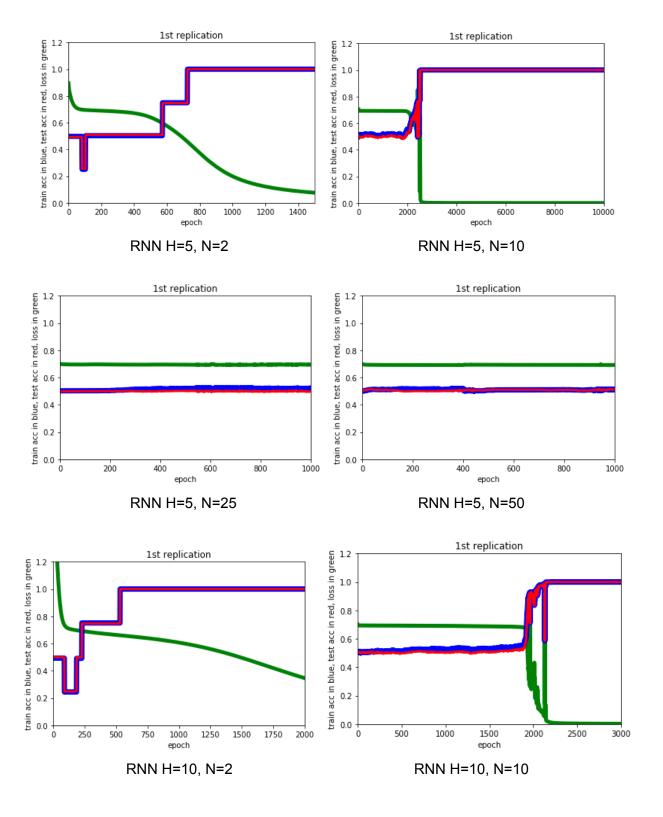


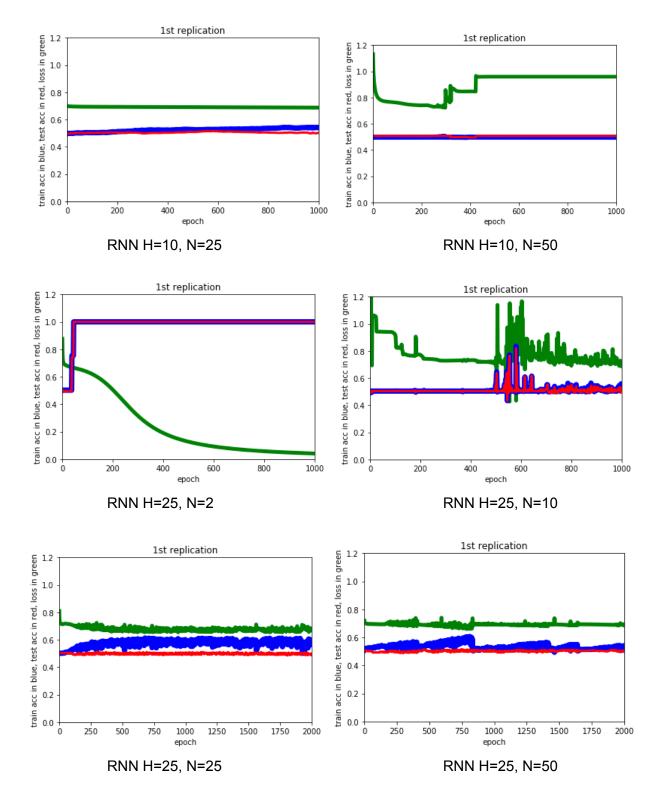
In addition, the standard error of Test Accuracy Mean is shown in the bar graph below.

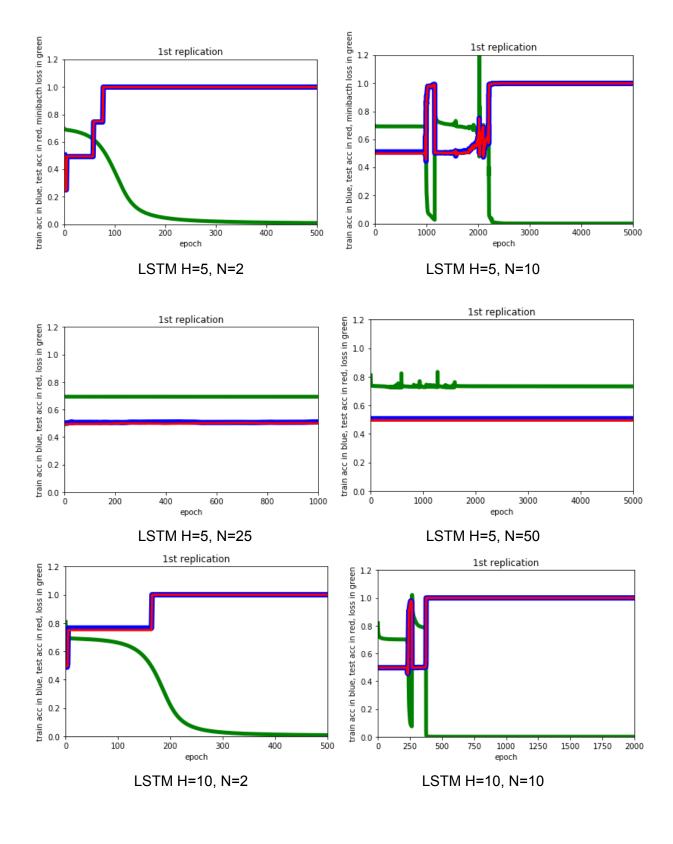


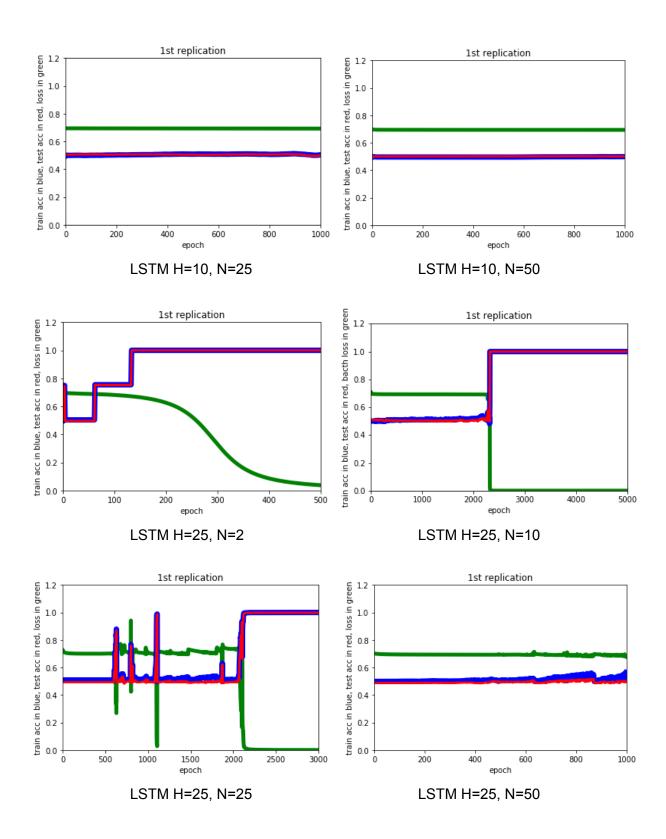
Setting	Neuron Type	Mean Test Accuracy of 10 Replications	Standard Error Of Test Accuracy Mean
	RNN	1	0
H=5, N=2	LSTM	1	0
	RNN	0.70161	0.002436540276
H=5, N=10	LSTM	0.99993	0.000002099990816
	RNN	0.49971	0.00006719746627
H=5, N=25	LSTM	0.49975	0.00004442352336
	RNN	0.50083	0.00005271058064
H=5, N=50	LSTM	0.49542	0.00002461626194
	RNN	1	0
H=10, N=2	LSTM	1	0
	RNN	0.95085	0.001472168118
H=10, N=10	LSTM	0.94958	0.001512600034
H=10, N=25	RNN	0.50109	0.00003448025091
	LSTM	0.50147	0.00006167343818
	RNN	0.50432	0.00006225724239
H=10, N=50	LSTM	0.50029	0.00004272805527
	RNN	1	0
H=25, N=2	LSTM	1	0
	RNN	0.55488	0.001485280544
H=25, N=10	LSTM	1	0
	RNN	0.49628	0.00004903425463
H=25, N=25	LSTM	0.70047	0.002442682385
	RNN	0.4977	0.00003595554736
H=25, N=50	LSTM	0.50041	0.00005641706288

In the 1st replication of each setting, the **training** and **test accuracy** are displayed in **blue** and **red** respectively, as well as the **loss** are plotted in **green** as below:









Discussion:

Notice that the train accuracy and test accuracy are kind of tracking each other , this is mainly due to the fact that for N=2, 10, the length of sequence will be 4, 1024, while we randomly generated 10000 training and test set, so around 90% of the data will be exactly the same despite that the order is different. In addition, for N=2, all settings network converged to 100% accuracy when being trained for enough epochs; but for N=10, 25, 50, I think whether the network can learn and converge to a solution or not heavily depends on the initial weights --sometimes it learned but sometimes the accuracy just jittered around 50%.

In general, for H = 25 and $N \ge 10$, LSTM outperformed RNN, I think this is because LSTM can hold the information in a longer history than RNN, at this point LSTM could learn better on longer sequence.

Code:

All the codes are run in jupyter notebook in the directory of "assignment6-BoCao/src". Results are already included in the "*.ipynb" files, file are named with setting parameters. For instance, "assign6_RNN_H25_N50.ipynb" is the code for 25 hidden units and 50 length of sequence.