# Fundaments of Machine learning for and with engineering applications

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#### Sequential Data

#### ORDER MATTERS

- Language Models
- Time series

#### Language model

- Prediction of the next word
- Prediction of next sentence

#### Time Series

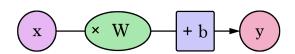
- Weather data
- Stock market
- Monitoring
- Trajectories
- Etc

### Feedforward (FF) vs Recurrent NN (RNN)

#### FF network

- One set of input
- One set of output
- Different parameters at each layer
- Multiple input set
- Multiple output
- Same parameter set

#### NN



input weight bias output

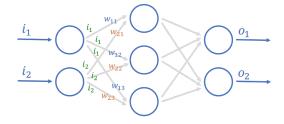
#### NN

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NN

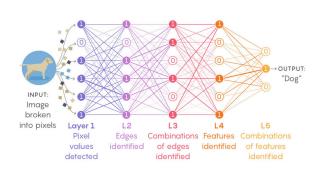
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#### NN

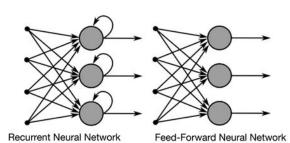


$$\begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{21} \\ w_{12} & w_{22} \\ w_{13} & w_{23} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (w_{11} \times i_1) + (w_{21} \times i_2) \\ (w_{12} \times i_1) + (w_{22} \times i_2) \\ (w_{13} \times i_1) + (w_{23} \times i_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

#### NN



#### RNN



#### RNN

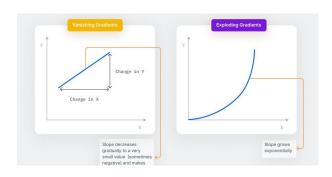
#### Advantages

- Model size is fixed
- Each info is stored/learned
- The weights can be forwarded

#### Problems

- Computationally demanding: long training times
- Problematic with Long series
- It can diverge (explode) or gradient vanish
- It cannot be very deep
- Unable to handle long time dependencies

#### RNN problems



#### RNN problems

#### Exploding gradients

- Large weights update
- Gradient descent diverge (solution method)

#### Vanishing gradients

- Weights get marginally upgraded
- Very slow convergence speed

### LSTM: Long Short Term Memory

#### NB..

Filters forget data...

What about if we purposely forget data?

LSTM includes Forget Gates

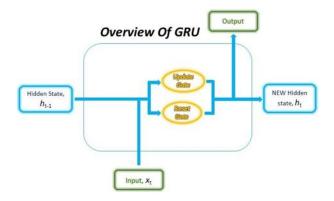
#### Automatic filter!

The forget gates learn to forget what is not interesting

This is extremely useful but also rather worrisome: you have no control!

LSTM is an advanced version of GRU (Gated Recurrent Units)... What is GRU?

#### GRU



#### **GRU**



#### GRU

#### Reset gates

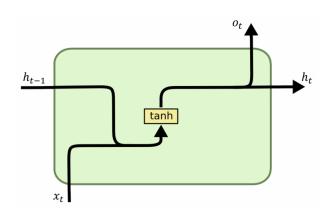
To capture short-term dependencies

#### Update gates

To capture Long-term dependencies

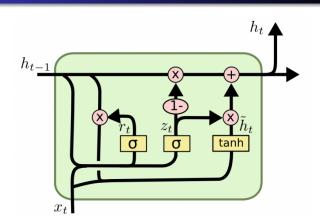
pause Each gate has its own weight

#### RNN



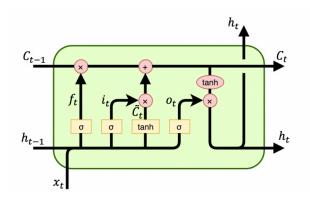
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### GRU



 $x_t$ : input vector,  $h_t$ : hidden layer vector  $o_t$ : output vector,  $r_t$ : reset factors,  $z_t$ : update factors

#### LSTM



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#### Current status

#### A valuable report

A foundation model, also known as large X model (LxM), is a machine learning or deep learning model that is trained on vast datasets so it can be applied across a wide range of use cases.

#### Generative Al

A generative AI model is a type of artificial intelligence that is designed to generate new content, based on the data it has been trained on.

It started in 1932, with the mechanical brain by Georges Artsrouni that was suppoused to translate automatically between languages,

Here a nice recaps of Generative AI and its storyline

#### Generative AI

Key characteristics of generative AI models include:

- Learning from Data: They are trained on large datasets, enabling them to learn patterns, styles, or features inherent in the data.
- Generating New Content: Generative models can create new data instances. For example, a model trained on a dataset of paintings can generate new images in the style of those paintings.

Trained generative models are thus able to input information at a low resolution/dimension and give output with a much greater dimensionality.

#### **Applications**

Here a list of possible applications:

- Images/video: Image generation, Super-resolution, Deep fakes.
- Music: noise filter, voice and music generation, voice deep fake.
- Text(LLM): chatGPT, bard, Gemini, etc.
- Chemistry: DeepMind (Alphafold).
- Coding (co-pilot)
- Speech
- Attacks and Hacking (Security testing)
- Generating training sets
- And many more

#### Science fiction?

This is scary:

- Virtual best friends
- Medical images to show diseases consequences
- Synthetic data for digital twins
- Preemptive suggestions (e.g. driving)
- Matrix

#### Problems (currently)

New possibilities do not come with side effects.

- Lack of transparency: how the output is generated, and why?
- Accuracy: a lot of hallucinations
- Bias: human biases are kept, supported and eventually increased
- Intellectual properties (IP): who owns what is produced?
- 5 Cybersecutiry and frauds: mass cyber attacks can be created
- 6 Sustainability: massive quantity of electricity is used
- Responsibility (who to blame?): Will Al get citizenship everywhere?

# Structure of generative Al

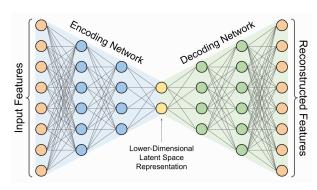
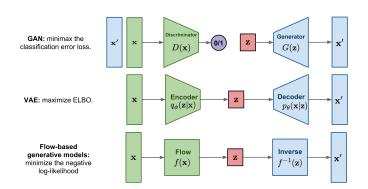


Image: https://www.rapidops.com

#### Types of generative Al

It is quite an advanced technique



Source: Lilian Weng

#### Where generative AI is ?

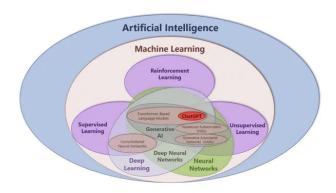


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#### A new field?

Generative AI is actually a new evolution.

It is based on Neural Network, and in comprises a set of advanced tools (numerical recepites):

- Generative Adversarial Networks
- Generative Pre-trained Transformers
- Variational Autoencoders
- Conditional Variational Autoencoders
- 4 Autoencoders