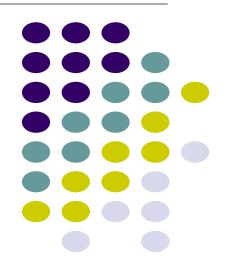
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Machine Learning

Deep Learning Basics

Lecture 09: Recurrent Neural Networks



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Introduction

Recurrent neural networks

- Dates back to (Rumelhart et al., 1986)
 - A family of neural networks for handling sequential data, which involves variable length inputs or outputs
 - Especially for natural language processing (NLP)

Sequential data

- Each data point: A sequence of vectors $x^{(t)}$, for $1 \le t \le \tau$
- ightharpoonup Batch data: many sequences with different lengths au
- abel: can be a scalar, a vector, or even a sequence
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- Example
 - Sentiment analysis
 - Machine translation

Example: machine translation

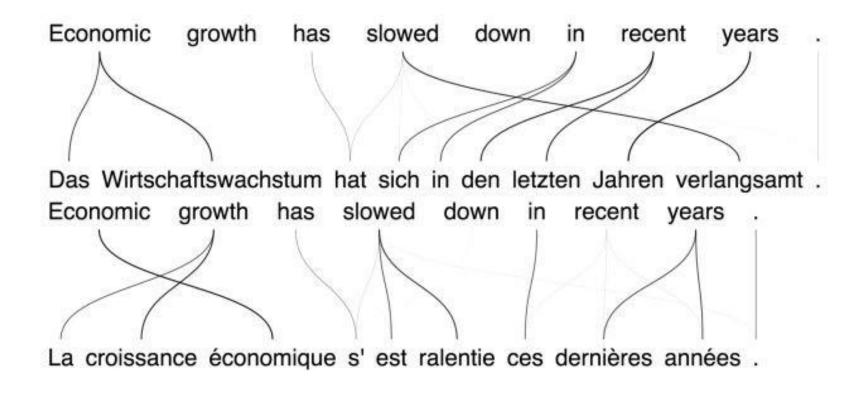


Figure from: devblogs.nvidia.com

More complicated sequential data

- Pata point: two dimensional sequences like images
- Label: different type of sequences like text sentences

Example: image captioning

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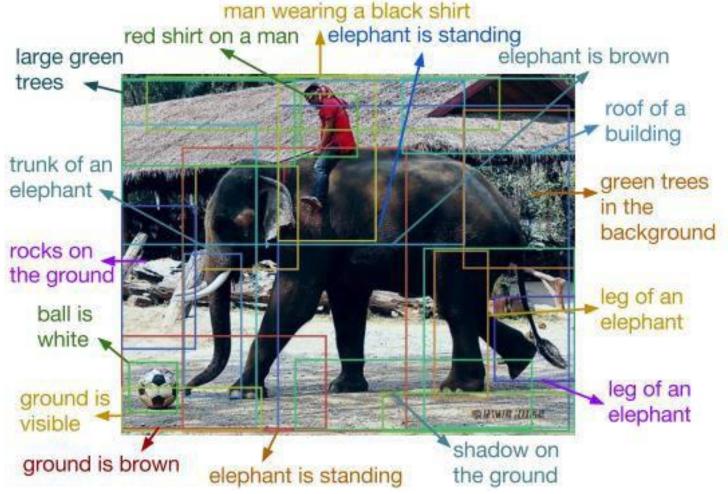
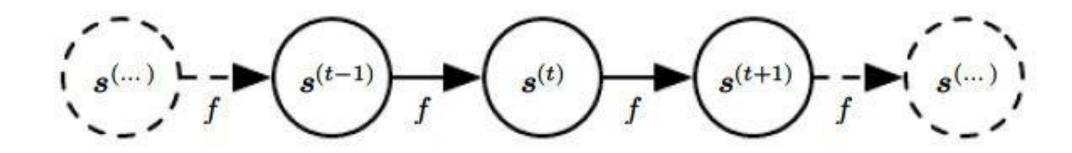


Figure from the paper "DenseCap: Fully Convolutional Localization Networks for Dense Captioning", by Justin Johnson, Andrej Karpathy, Li Fei-Fei

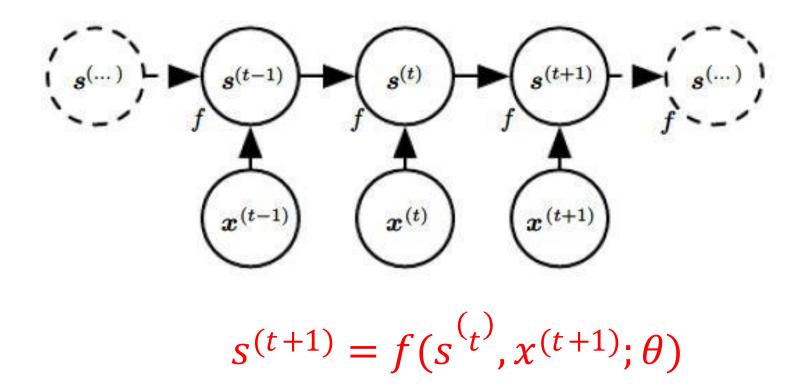
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A typical dynamic system

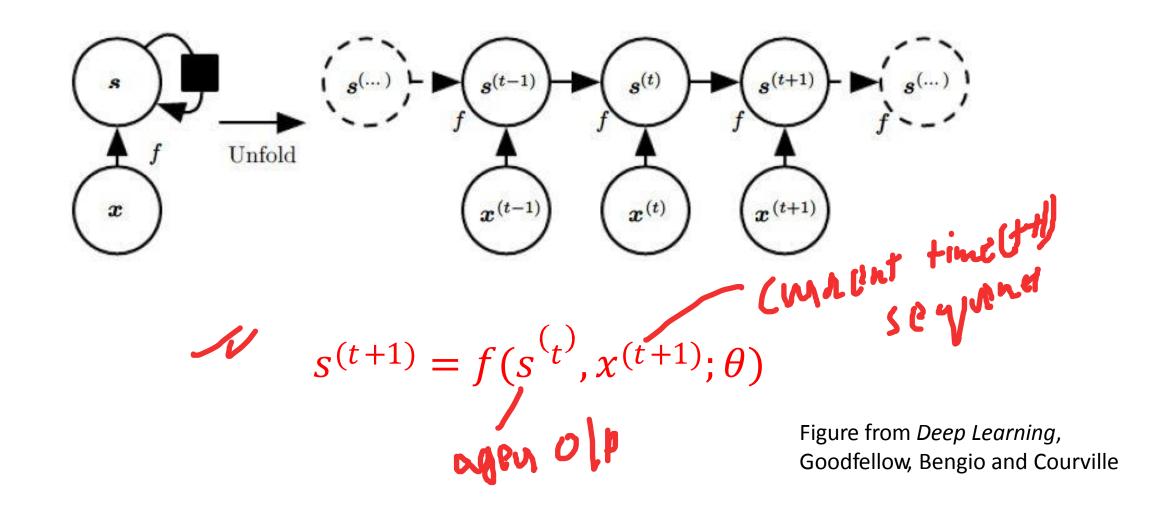


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A system driven by external data

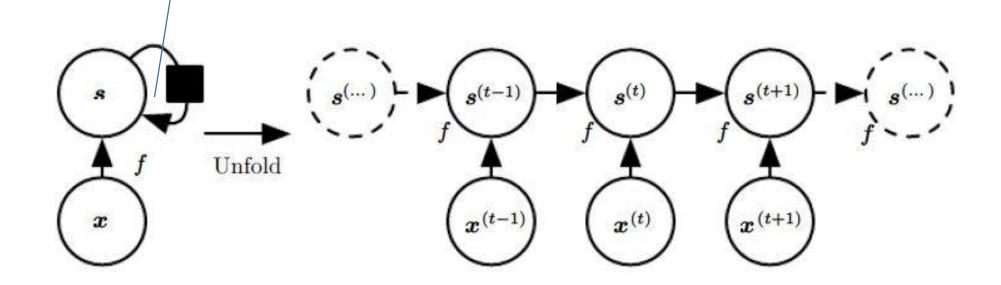


Compact view



square: one step time delay

Compact view



$$s^{(t+1)} = f(s^{(t)}, x^{(t+1)}; \theta)$$

Key: the same f and θ for all time steps

Recurrent neural networks (RNN)

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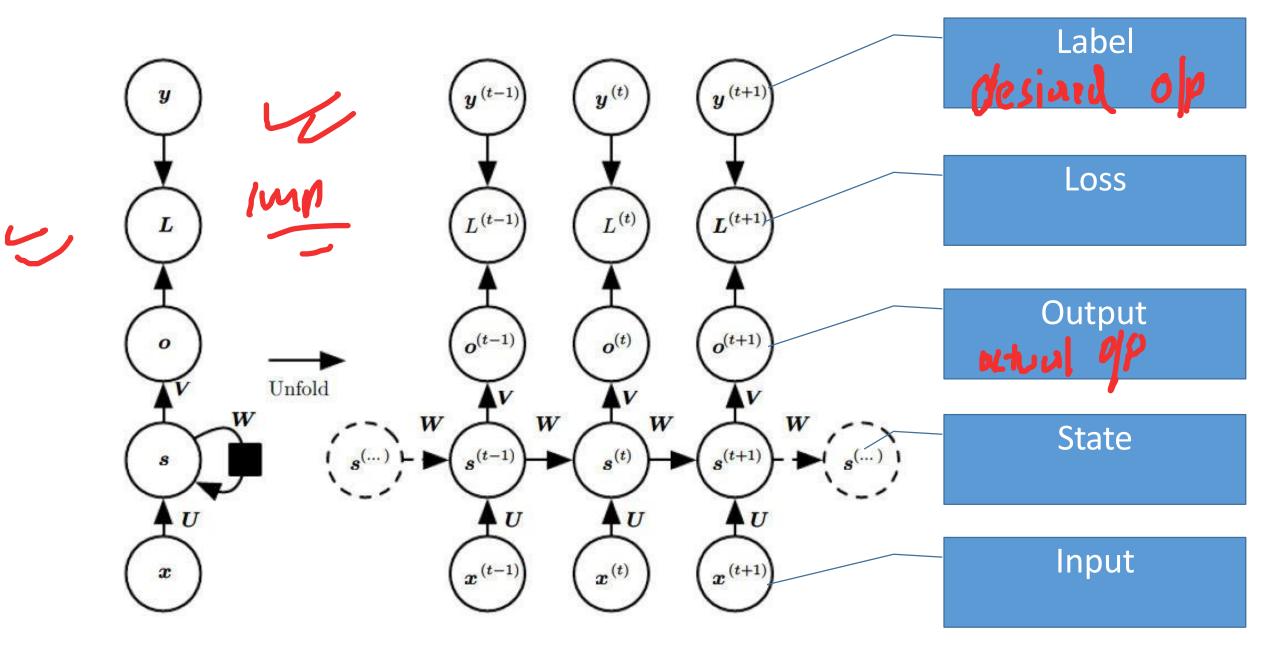
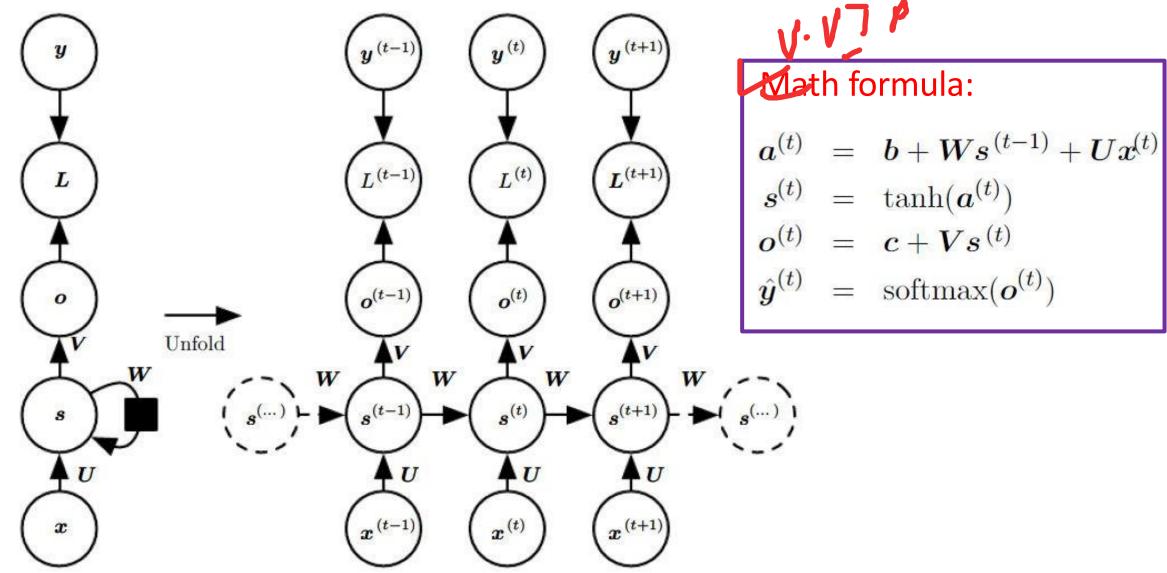


Figure from *Deep Learning*, by Goodfellow, Bengio and Courville



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• Yet still powerful (actually universal): any function computable by a Turing machine can be computed by such a recurrent network of a finite size (see, e.g., Siegelmann and Sontag (1995))

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 Conceptually: first compute the gradients of the internal nodes, then compute the gradients of the parameters

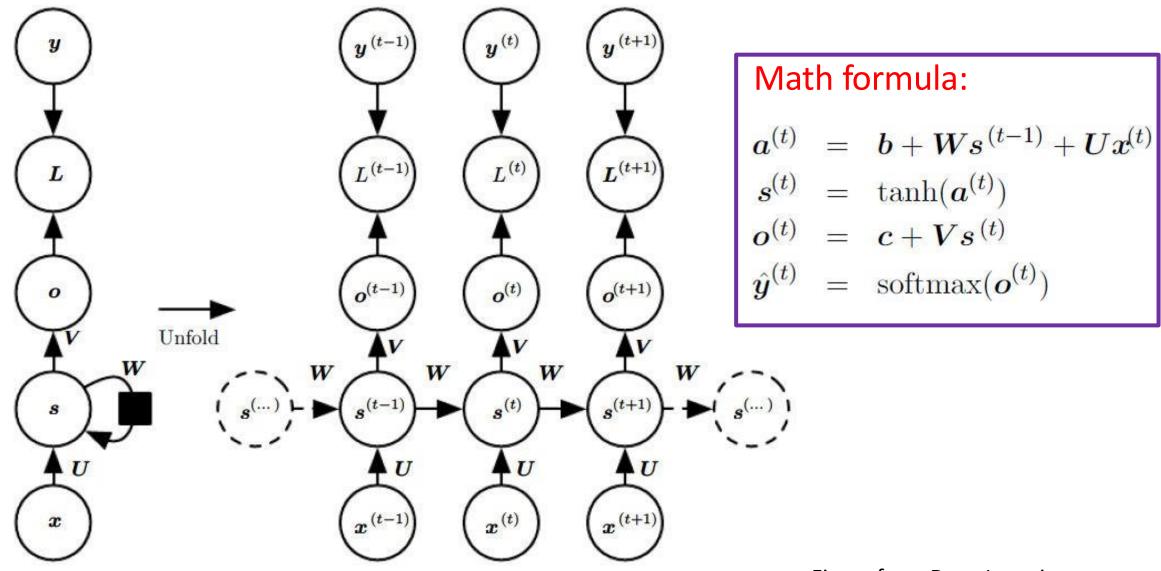
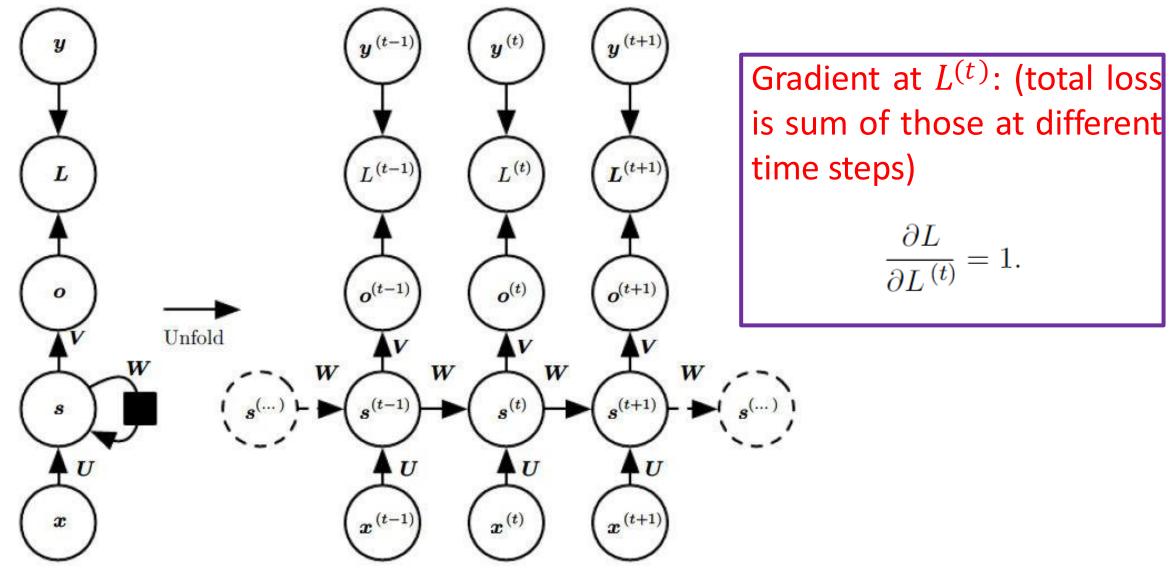


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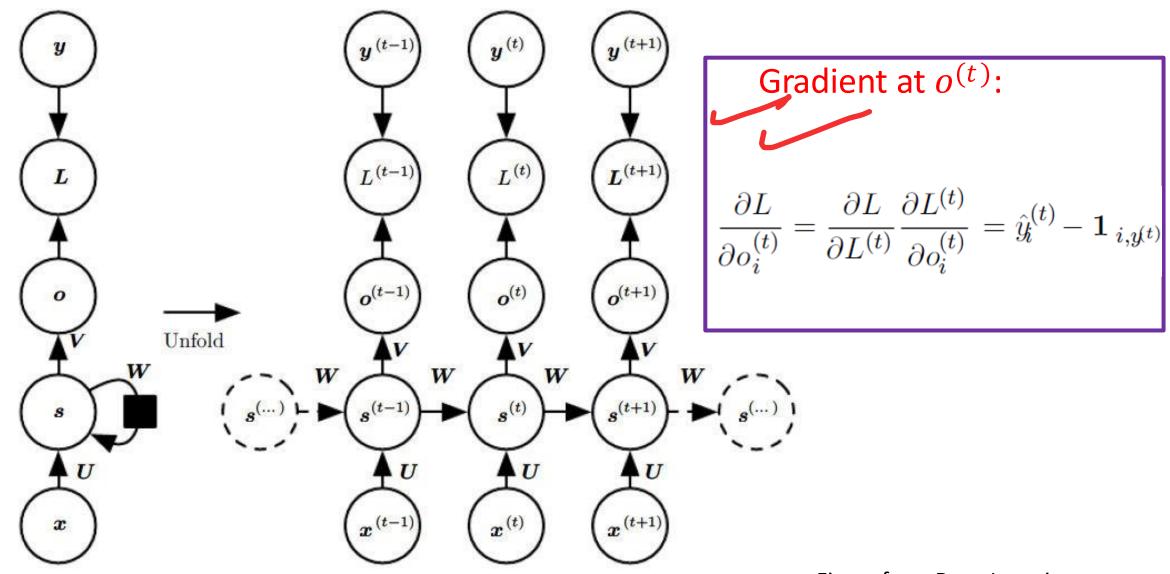
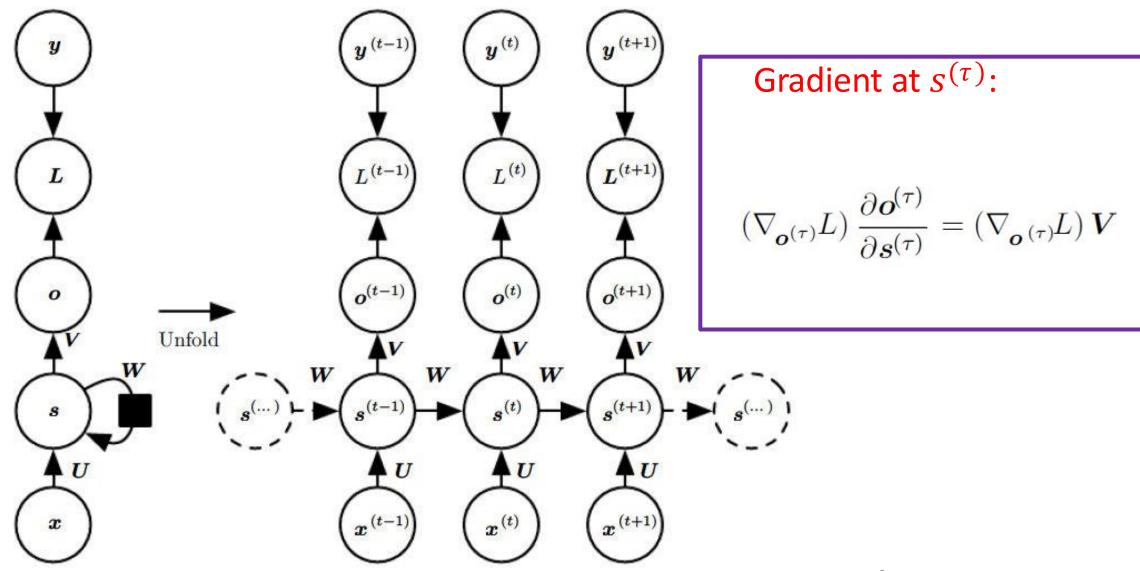
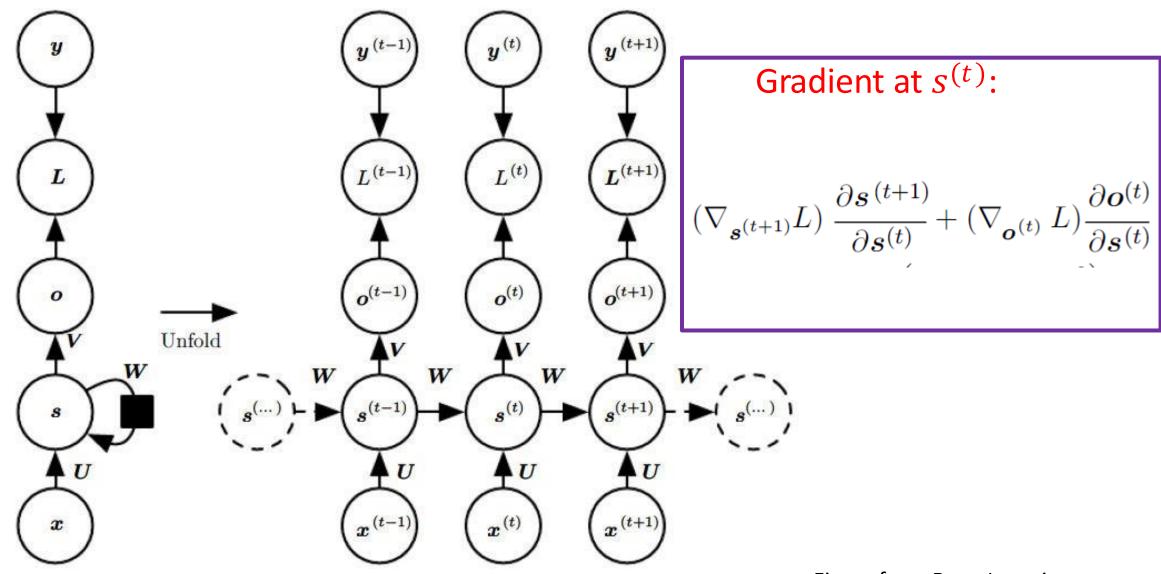
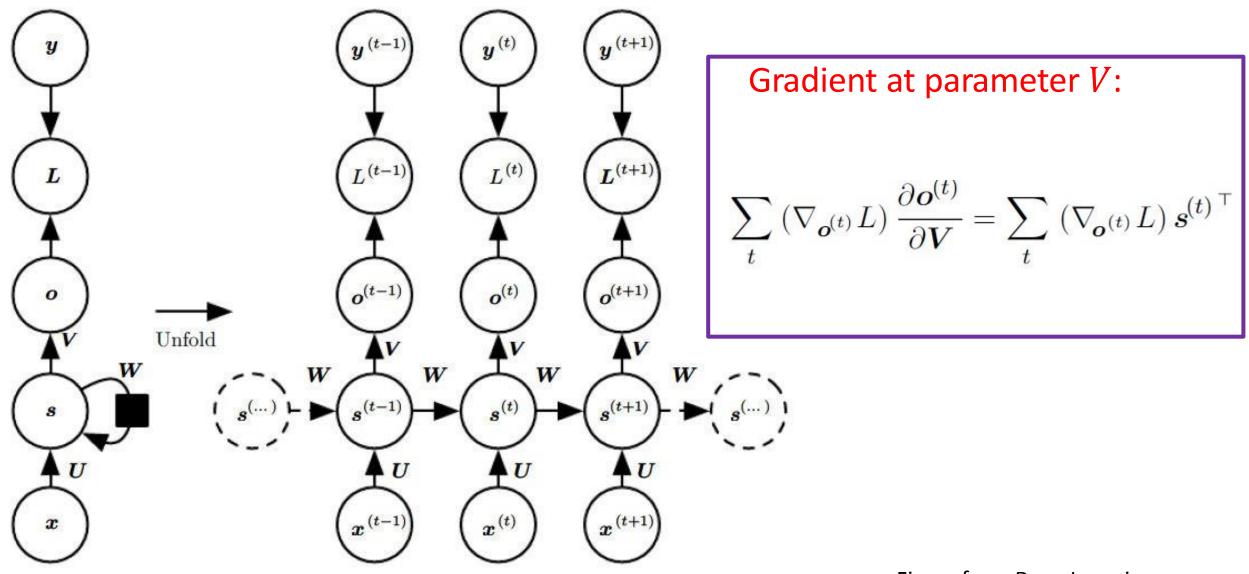


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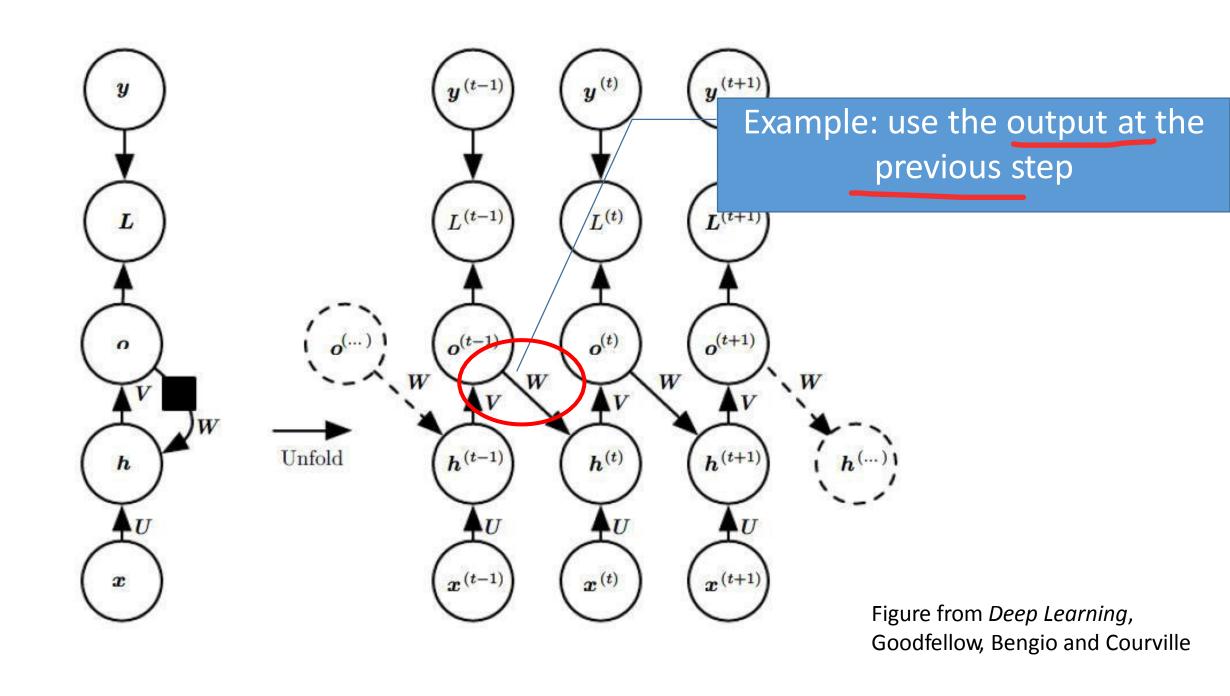


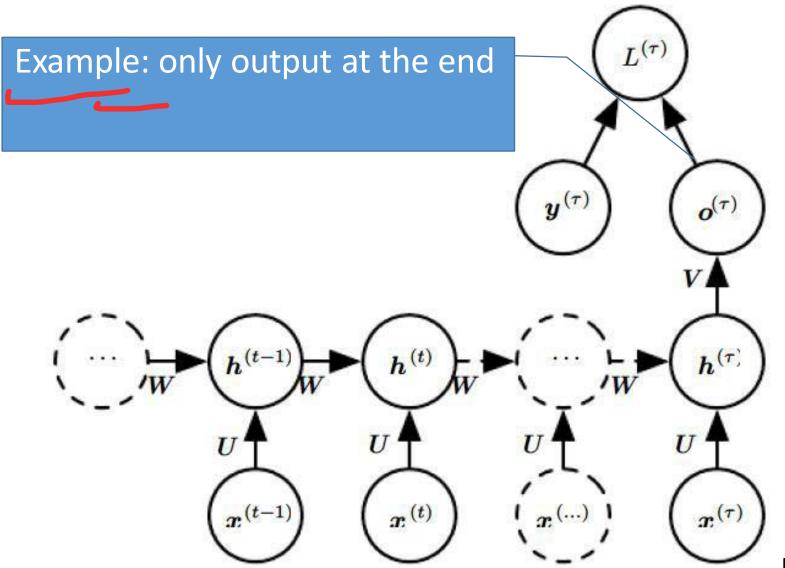
Variants of RNN

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- Many variants
 - Information about the past can be in many other forms
 - Only output at the end of the sequence





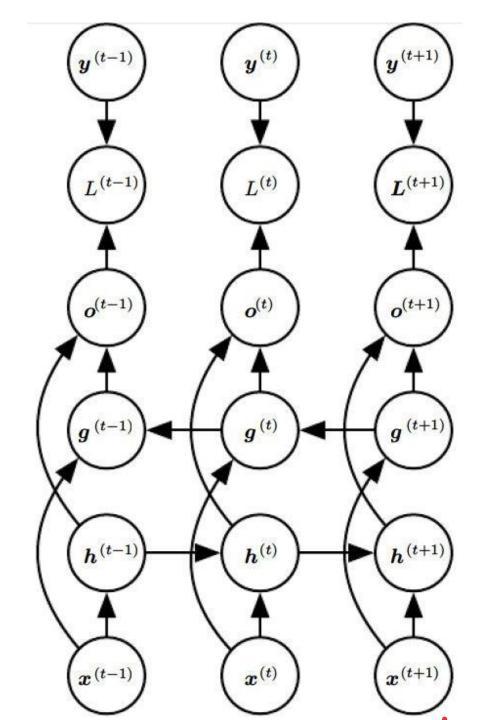
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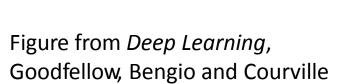
Bidirectional RNNs

- Many applications: output at time t may depend on the whole input sequence
- Example in speech recognition: correct interpretation of the current sound may depend on the next few phonemes, potentially even the next few words

Bidirectional RNNs are introduced to address this

BiRNNs





Encoder-decoder RNNs

• RNNs: can map sequence to one vector; or to sequence of same length

What about mapping sequence to sequence of different length?

Example: speech recognition, machine translation, question answering, etc

