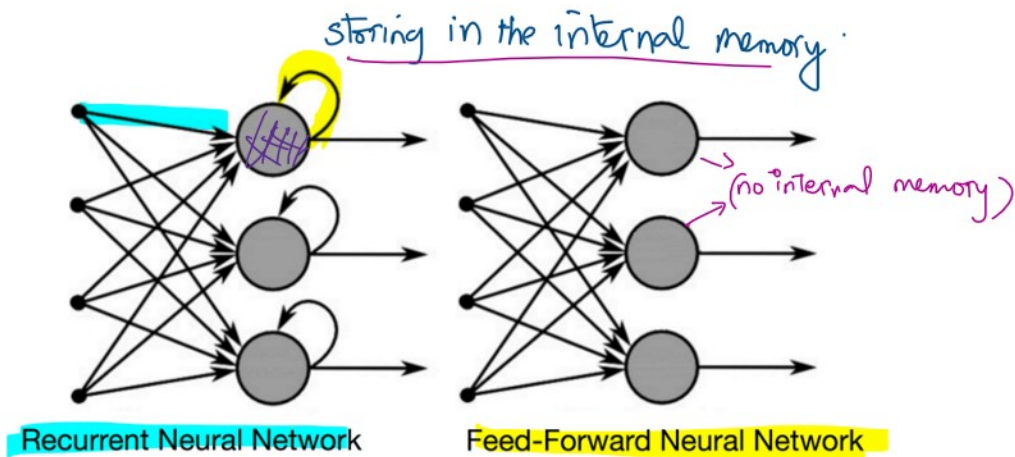
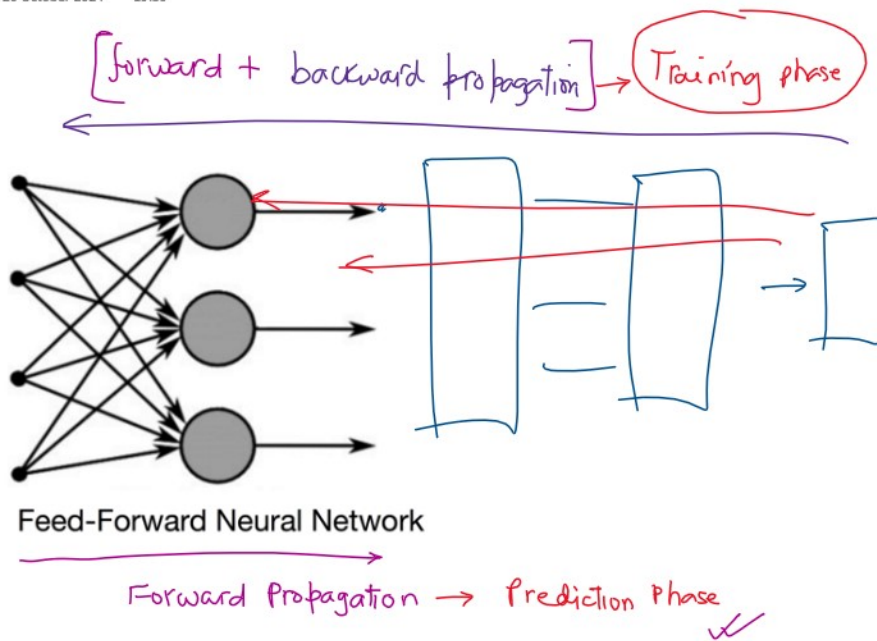


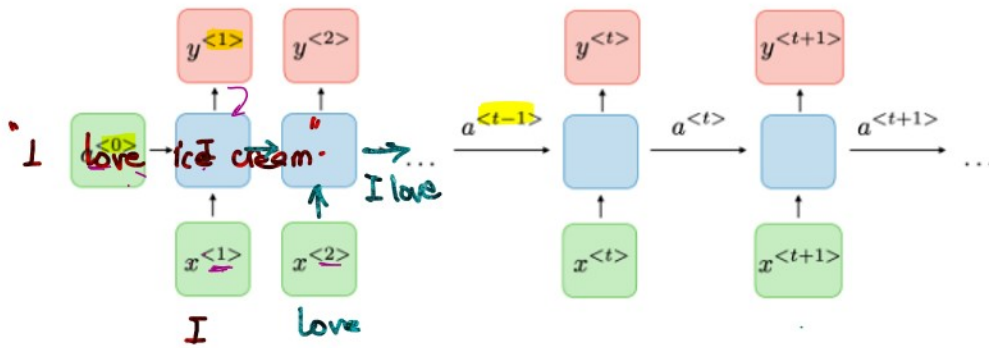
# RNN Architecture

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[stock prices] → RNN

RNNs allow previous outputs to be used as inputs while having hidden states.



Here,  $x^{<t>}$  represents sequence of inputs

Green boxes at the bottom denote the input sequences labeled as  $x^{<1>}$ ,  $x^{<2>}$ , ...,  $x^{<t>}$

Note: input is a sentence then each  $x^{<t>}$  could represent a word or character

② Hidden states  $a^{<t>}$

Blue rectangles in the middle represent the hidden states.

These hidden states maintain the memory of the network.

Each hidden state  $a^{<t>}$  carries the information from the past inputs upto the current state 't'

In a basic RNN setup, the hidden state  $a^{<t>}$  is computed using the current input  $x^{<t>}$  and previous hidden state  $a^{<t-1>}$

③ Outputs  $y^{<t>}$

Red boxes at the top denote the outputs of the RNN at each time step; labeled as  $y^{<1>}$ ,  $y^{<2>}$ ,  $y^{<3>}$ , ... and so on.

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- # RNN starts with an initial hidden state, usually initialized to **zeros or random values**.
- # the first input word 'I' is passed into the network.
- # RNN processes the word 'I' and updates its **hidden state**  $a^{<1>}$  or  $h^{<1>}$

## 2. Processing the second word: "love"

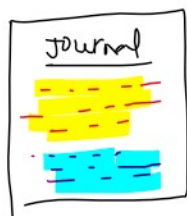
- # second word "love" is passed into RNN along with the updated hidden state  $h^{<1>}$  or  $a^{<1>}$
  - # RNN uses the hidden state  $h^{<1>}$  or  $a^{<1>}$  along with the new word 'love' to produce a new hidden state  $h^{<2>}$  or  $a^{<2>}$
- 'i love'

## 3. Processing the third word: "ice"

$h^{<3>}$  or  $a^{<3>}$  - i love ice

## 4. Processing the fourth word: "cream"

$h^{<4>}$  or  $a^{<4>}$ : i love ice cream.



Processing the word 'I' → Pronoun.

Transforms the word 'I' into an embedding vector or numerical representation.

It captures the **semantic meaning** of the word 'I'.

Sentence # 1 → I walked into the **bank** → Financial Institution

Sentence # 2 → I walked on the **bank** of the Ganges.  
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 (side of the river)

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→ Brick in the wall



→ We are just brick in the wall.

Note: once the processing the word 'i' is complete. The hidden state  $h^{<1>}$  or  $a^{<1>}$  now holds the information about the word 'i' → like recognizing it as a pronoun.

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[subject of a sentence]  
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In essence,  $h^{<1>}$  or  $a^{<1>}$  is now aware that the sentence has a subject.

$$h^{<1>} \text{ or } a^{<1>} = \tanh(w_{hx} \cdot x^{<1>} + w_{hh} \cdot h^{<0>} + b_h)$$

- $w_{hx}$ : weight matrix that connects the input to hidden state
- $w_{hh}$ : weight matrix that connects the previous hidden state to the current hidden state
- $b_h$ : bias term
- $\tanh$ : activation function

### Processing the word 'love'

- \* When the RNN receives the second word "love". It transforms it into an embedding vector  $x^{<2>}$  which captures the meaning of love.
- \* It also updates the hidden state by combining  $x^{<2>}$  with the hidden state  $h^{<1>}$  or  $a^{<1>}$  (previous) which already holds information about 'i'.

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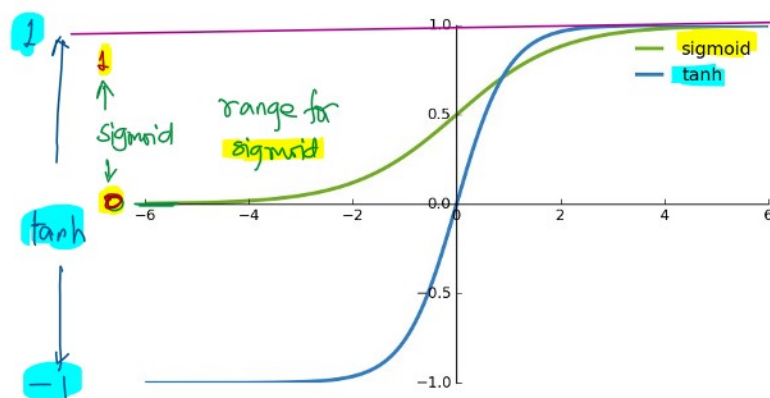
Why do we use **tanh** as activation function?

(y values)  
tanh function ranges from -1 to 1 which means it  
has a ... ..



tanh function <sup>(y values)</sup> ranges from -1 to 1 which means it produces both negative and positive values which is advantageous as it centers the data around zero

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making optimization and convergence faster



Note: RNNs often use tanh as the activation function as they need to capture both positive and negative relationships in sequential data.

I love ice-cream

I do not like Ice cream

Target: To build a small scale next word prediction model — only focussed on our example:

I love ice → cream

Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs) Key Features

— how is it different from other neural networks

⊛ Internal Memory: RNNs have an internal state that allows them to retain and leverage information from previous inputs — which is crucial for tasks where context matters.

# Sequential data-handling: RNNs are specially designed for working with sequences, making them ideal for applications like speech recognition, language modeling, and time-series analysis.

# Contextual Understanding: RNNs can interpret new data in the context of prior information, which is essential for understanding the meaning and the flow in natural language tasks.

# Dynamic Adaption: RNNs continuously update internal states, allowing them to adjust to evolve patterns within sequences.