

# Lecture 8: Recurrent Neural Networks

# Administrative

- Discussion section tomorrow 1:30-2:20pm PT  
PyTorch / TensorFlow Review
- Additional optional section today between 5:30-6:45pm PT  
at building 460 room 429

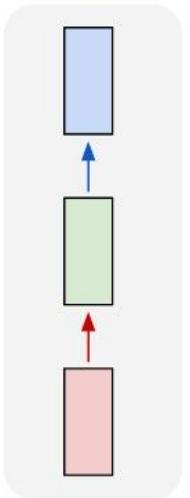
# Training “**Feedforward**” Neural Networks

1. **One time set up:** activation functions, preprocessing, weight initialization, regularization, gradient checking
2. **Training dynamics:** babysitting the learning process, parameter updates, hyperparameter optimization
3. **Evaluation:** model ensembles, test-time augmentation, transfer learning

# Today: Recurrent Neural Networks

# “Vanilla” Neural Network

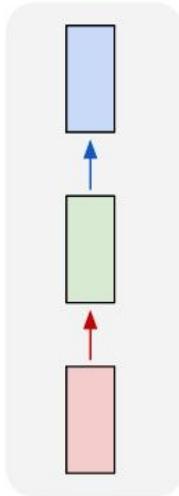
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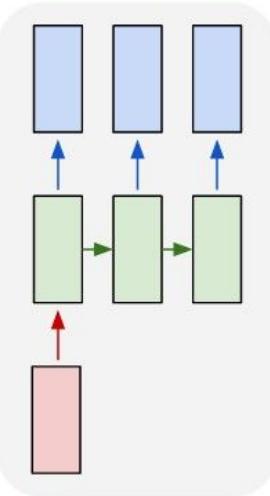
**Vanilla Neural Networks**

# Recurrent Neural Networks: Process Sequences

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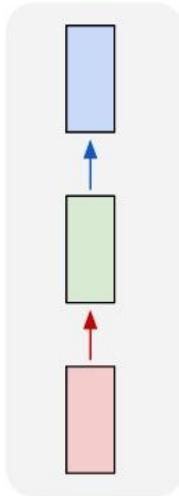
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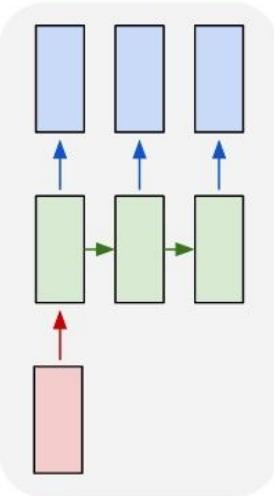
e.g. **Image Captioning**  
image -> sequence of words

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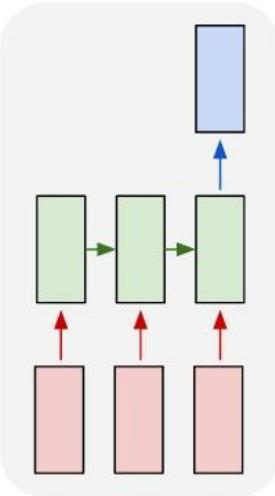
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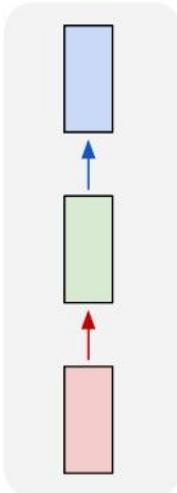
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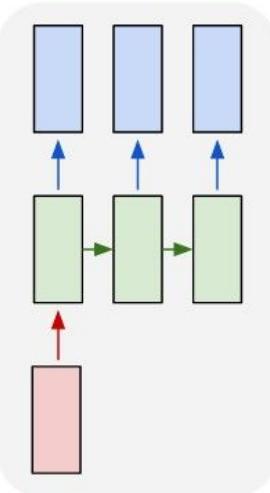
e.g. **action prediction**  
sequence of video frames -> action class

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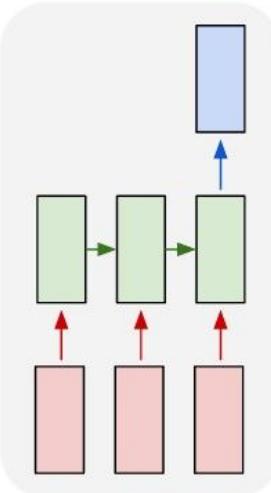
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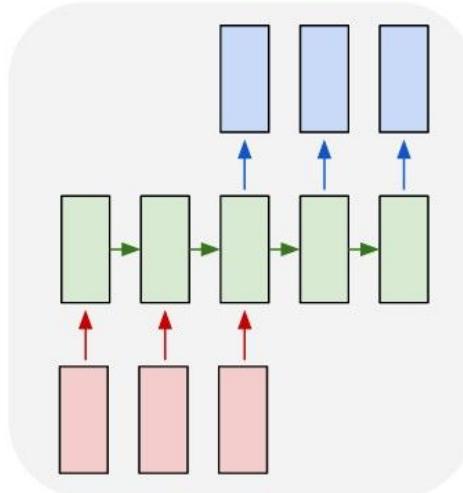
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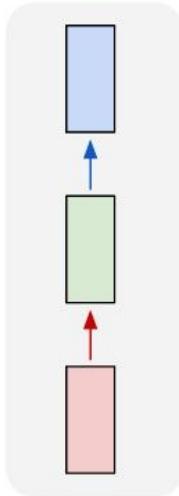
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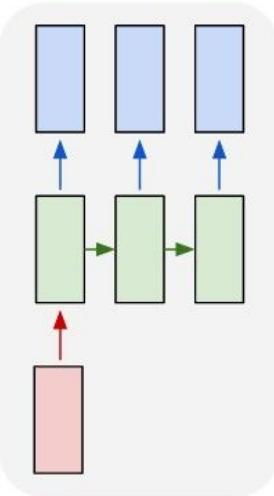
E.g. **Video Captioning**  
Sequence of video frames -> caption

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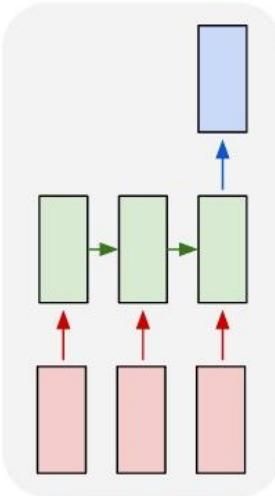
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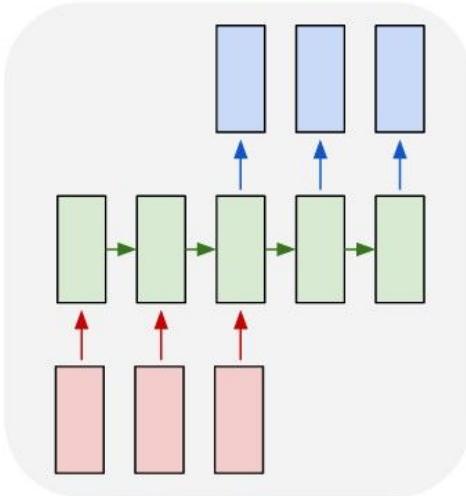
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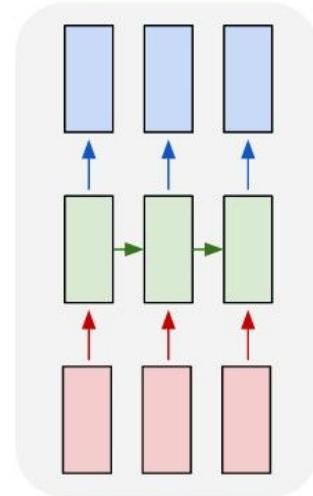
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e.g. Video classification on frame level

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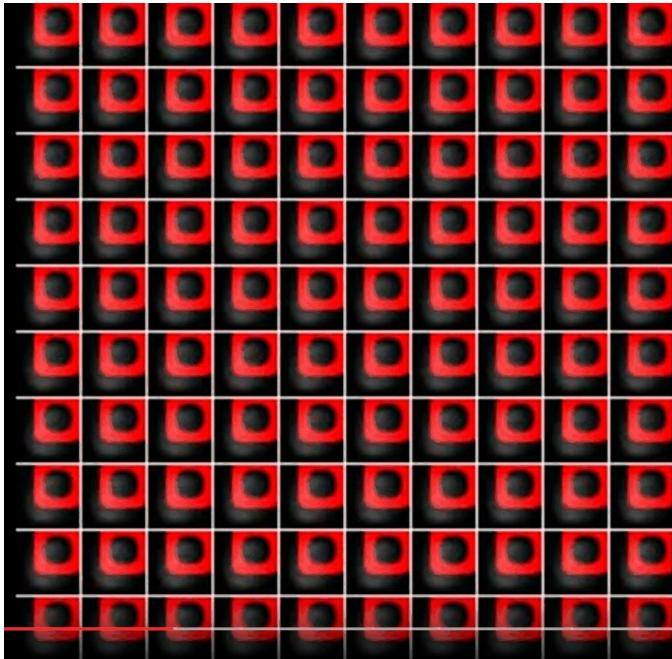
Classify images by taking a series of “glimpses”



Ba, Mnih, and Kavukcuoglu, “Multiple Object Recognition with Visual Attention”, ICLR 2015.  
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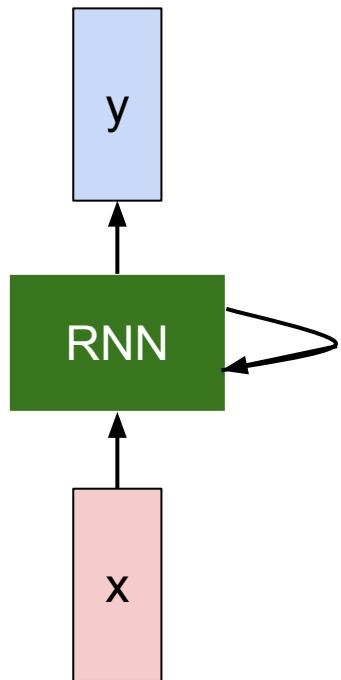
Generate images one piece at a time!



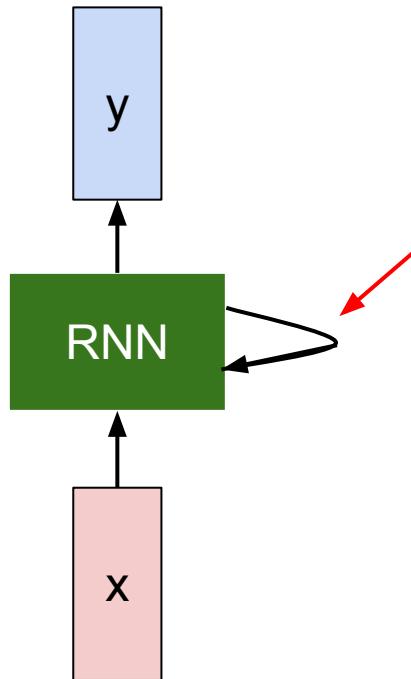
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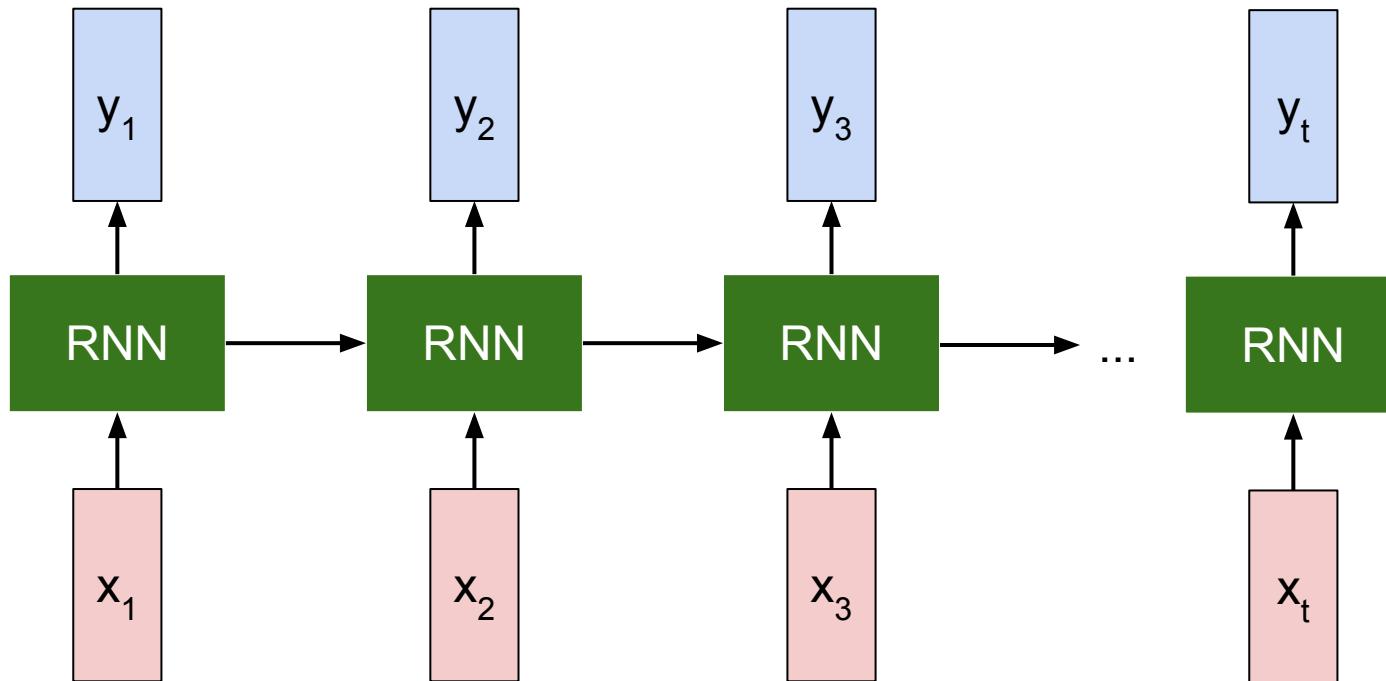


# Recurrent Neural Network



Key idea: RNNs have an “internal state” that is updated as a sequence is processed

# Unrolled RNN

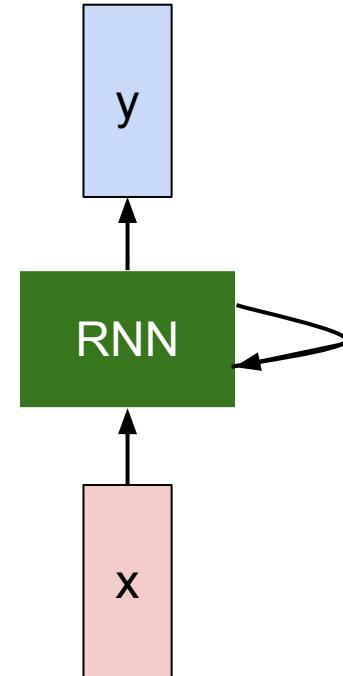


# RNN hidden state update

We can process a sequence of vectors  $x$  by applying a **recurrence formula** at every time step:

$$h_t = f_W(h_{t-1}, x_t)$$

new state      /      old state      input vector at  
some function      |      some time step  
with parameters W

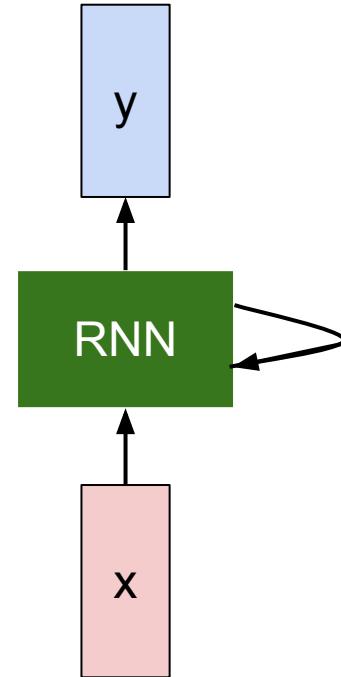


# RNN output generation

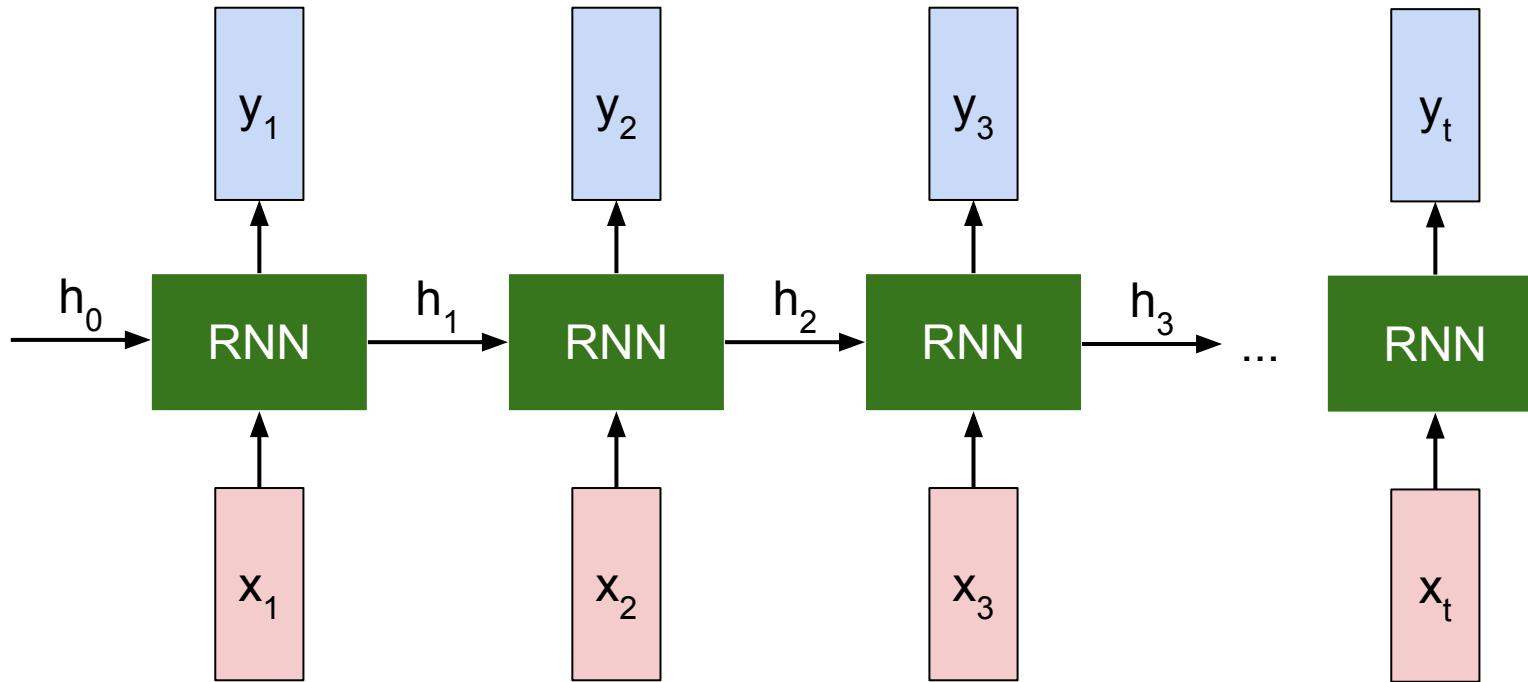
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$$y_t = f_{W_{hy}}(h_t)$$

output    new state  
another function  
with parameters  $W_o$



# Recurrent Neural Network

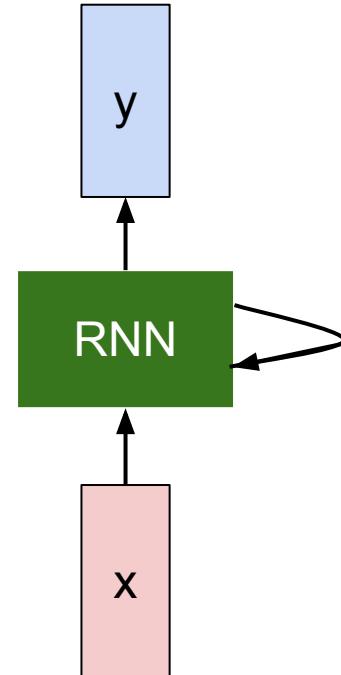


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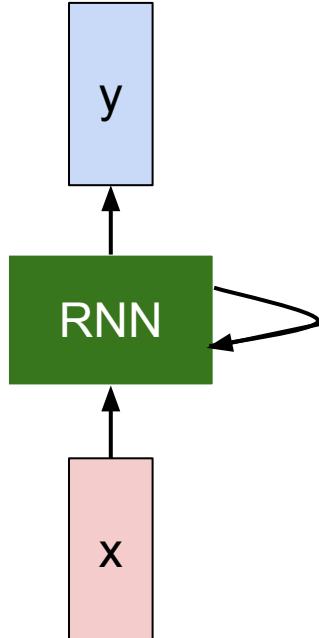
$$h_t = f_W(h_{t-1}, x_t)$$

Notice: the same function and the same set of parameters are used at every time step.



# (Vanilla) Recurrent Neural Network

The state consists of a single “*hidden*” vector  $\mathbf{h}$ :



$$\mathbf{h}_t = f_W(\mathbf{h}_{t-1}, \mathbf{x}_t)$$

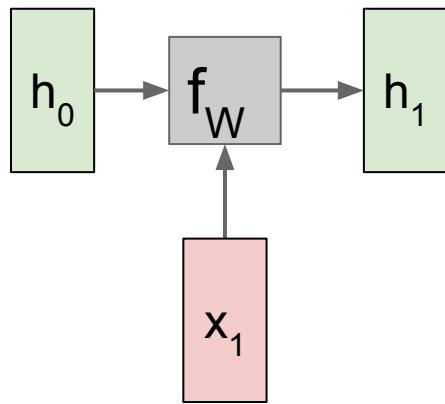


$$\mathbf{h}_t = \tanh(W_{hh}\mathbf{h}_{t-1} + W_{xh}\mathbf{x}_t)$$

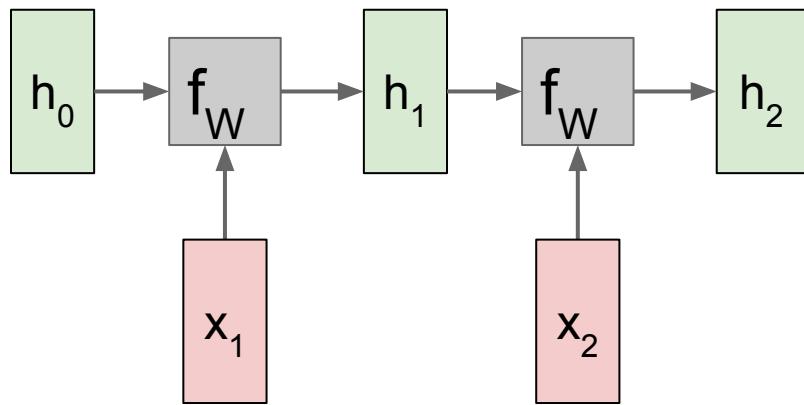
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Sometimes called a “Vanilla RNN” or an  
“Elman RNN” after Prof. Jeffrey Elman

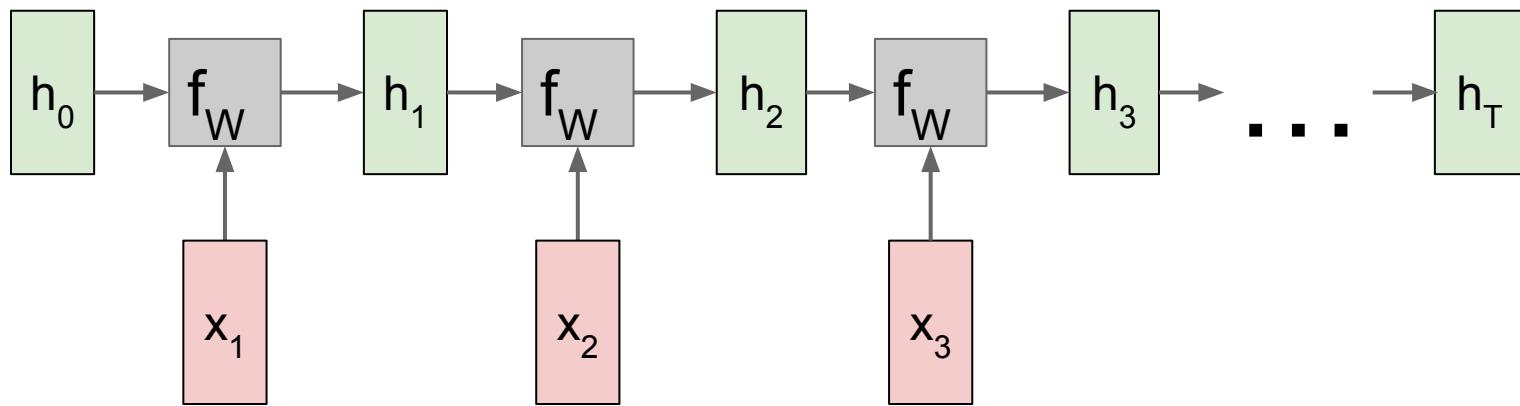
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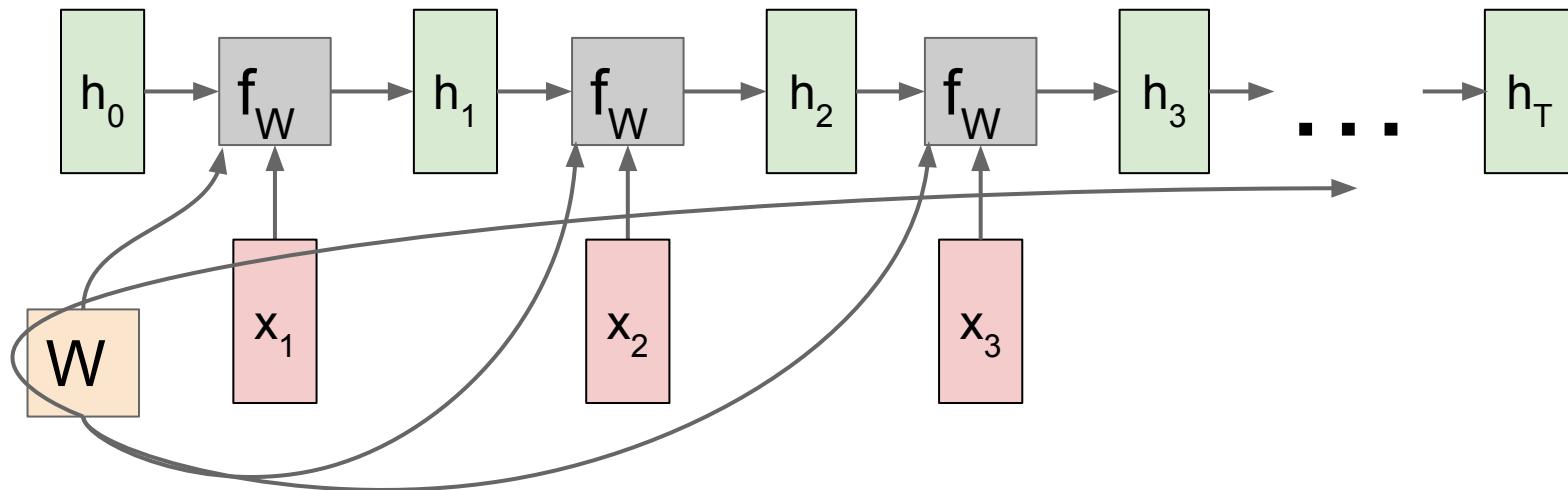


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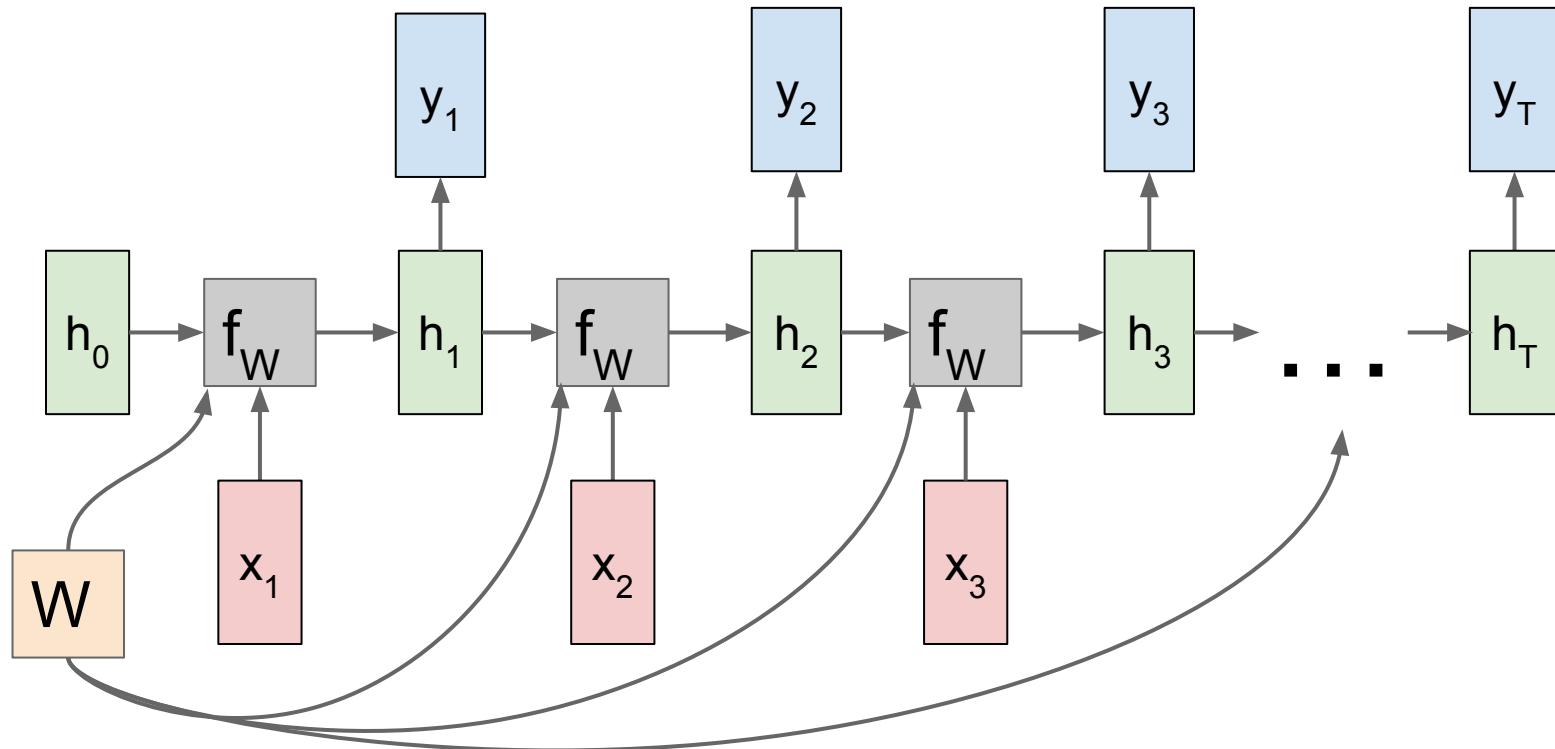


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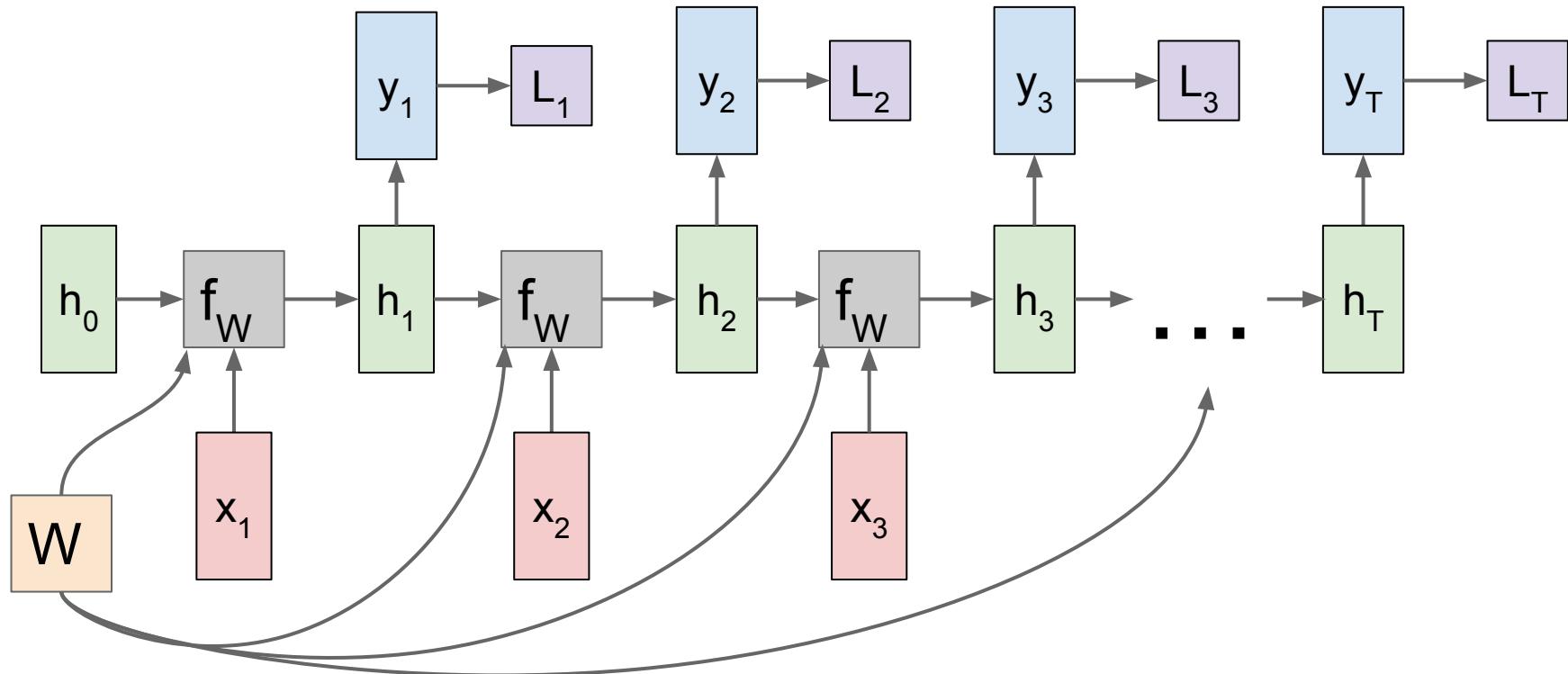
Re-use the same weight matrix at every time-step



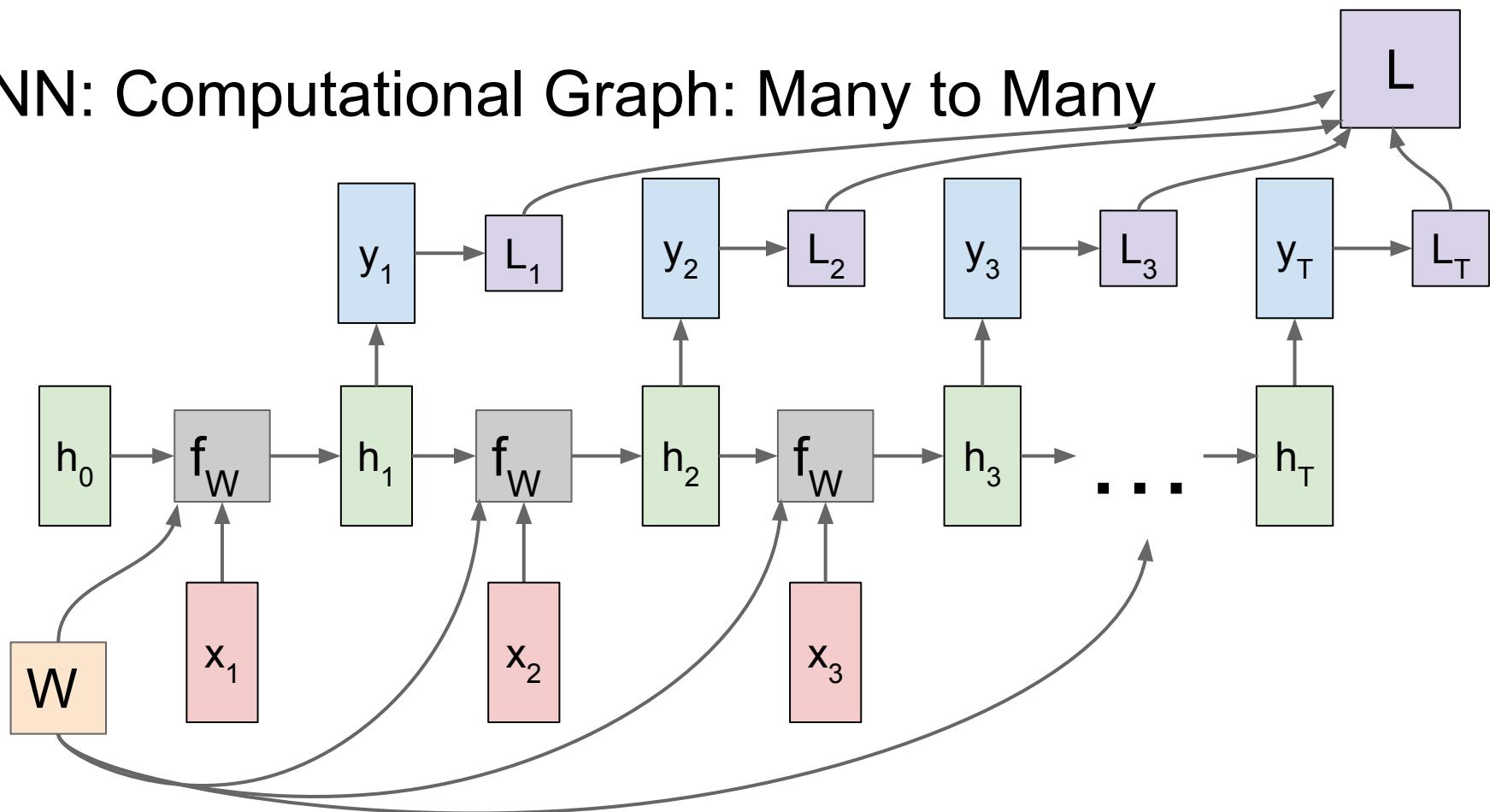
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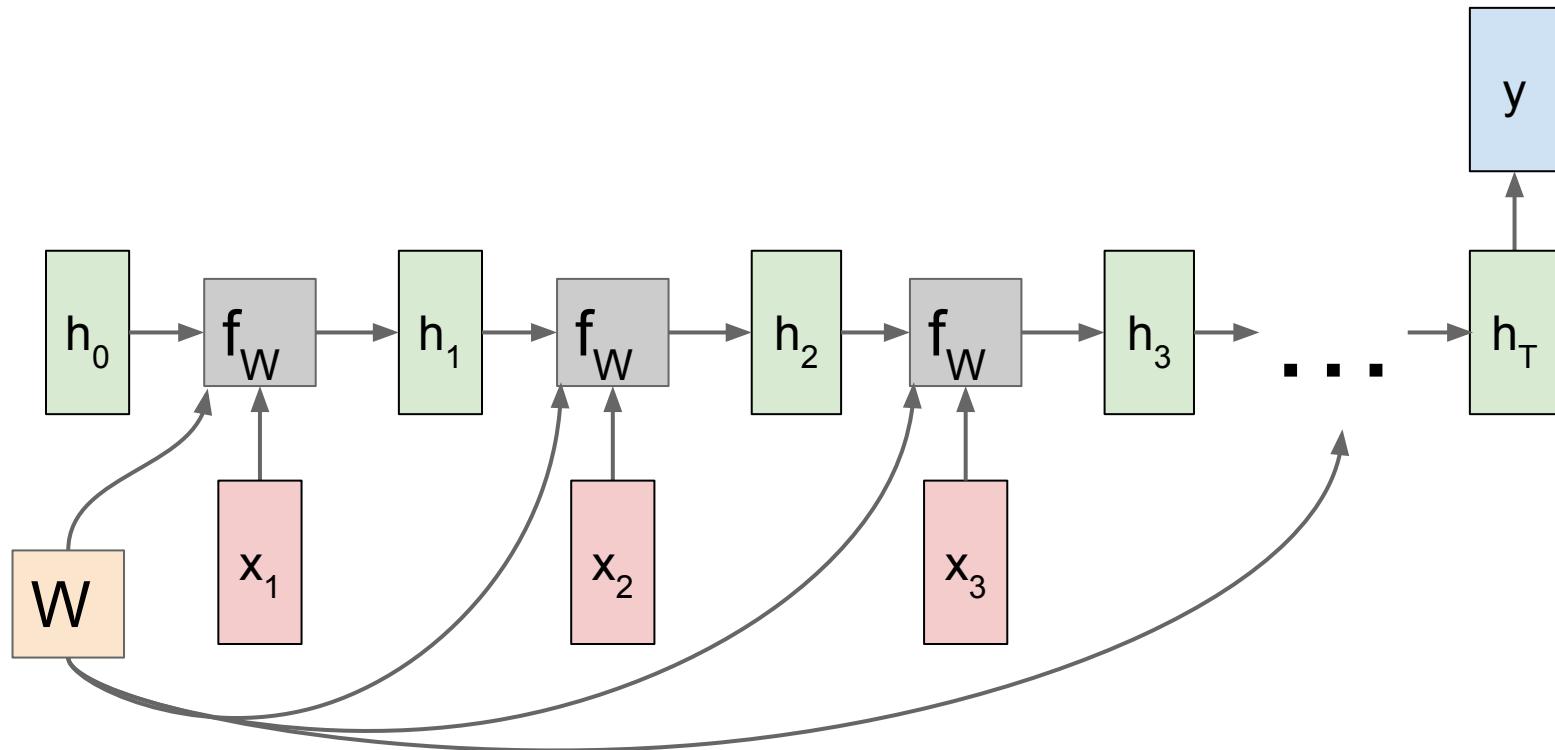
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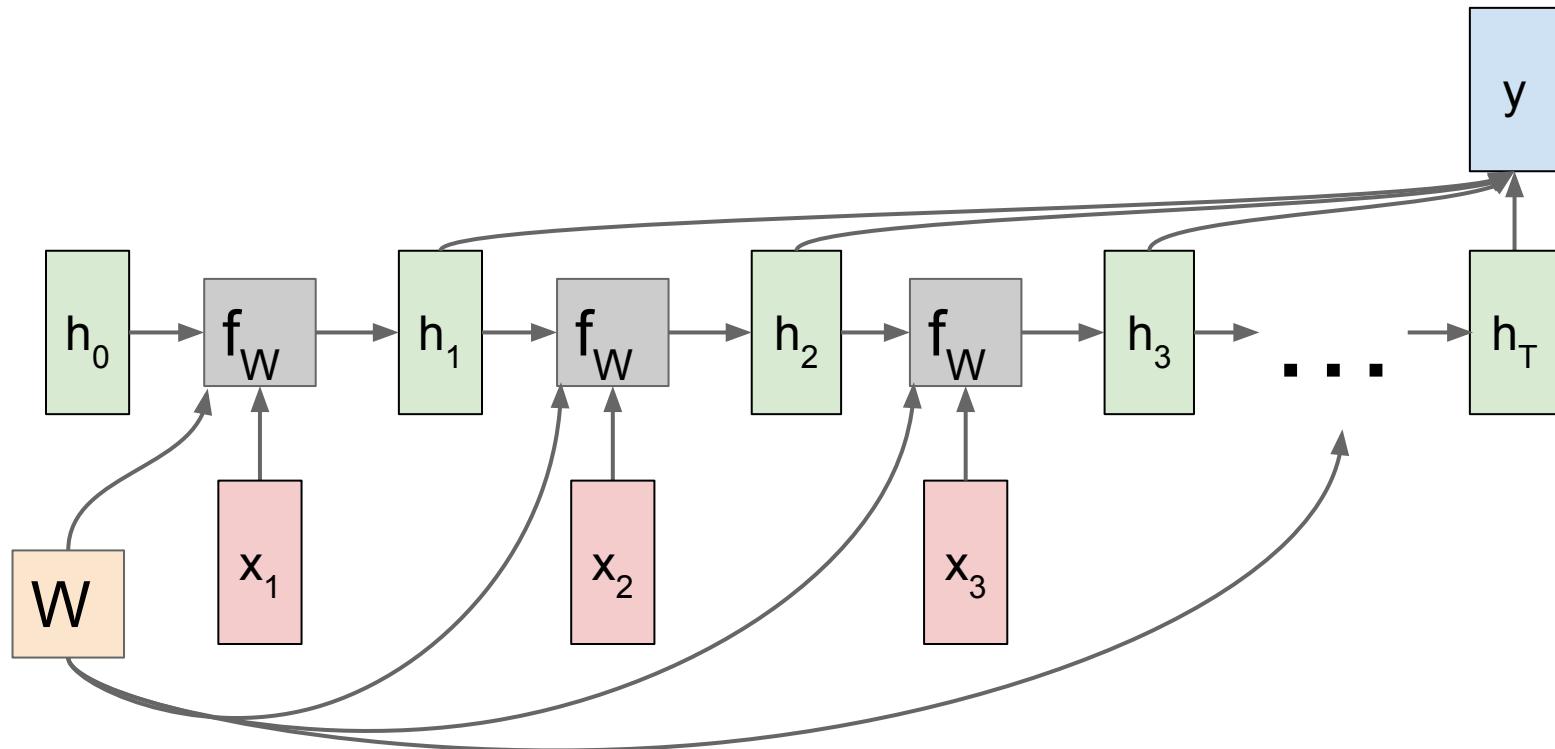
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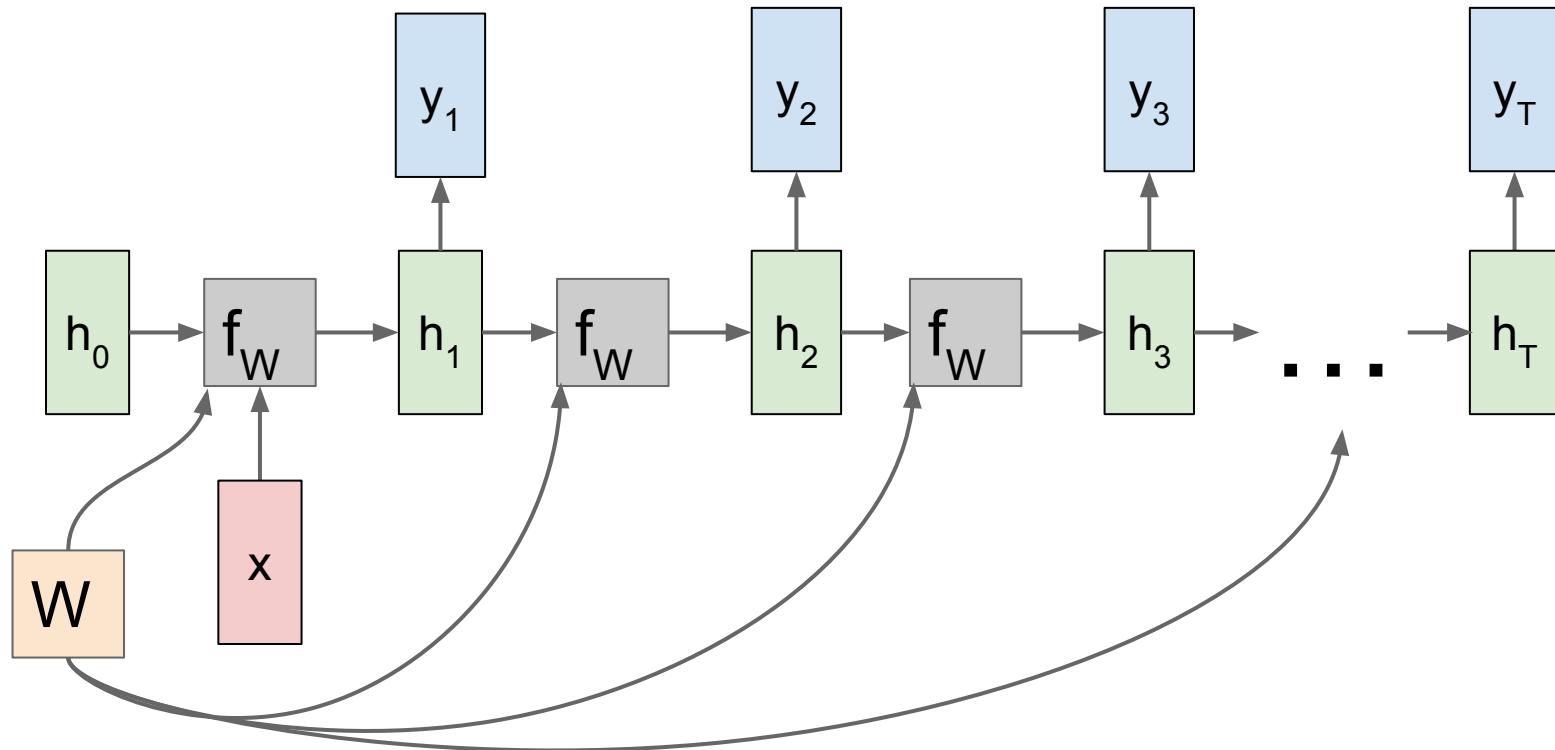
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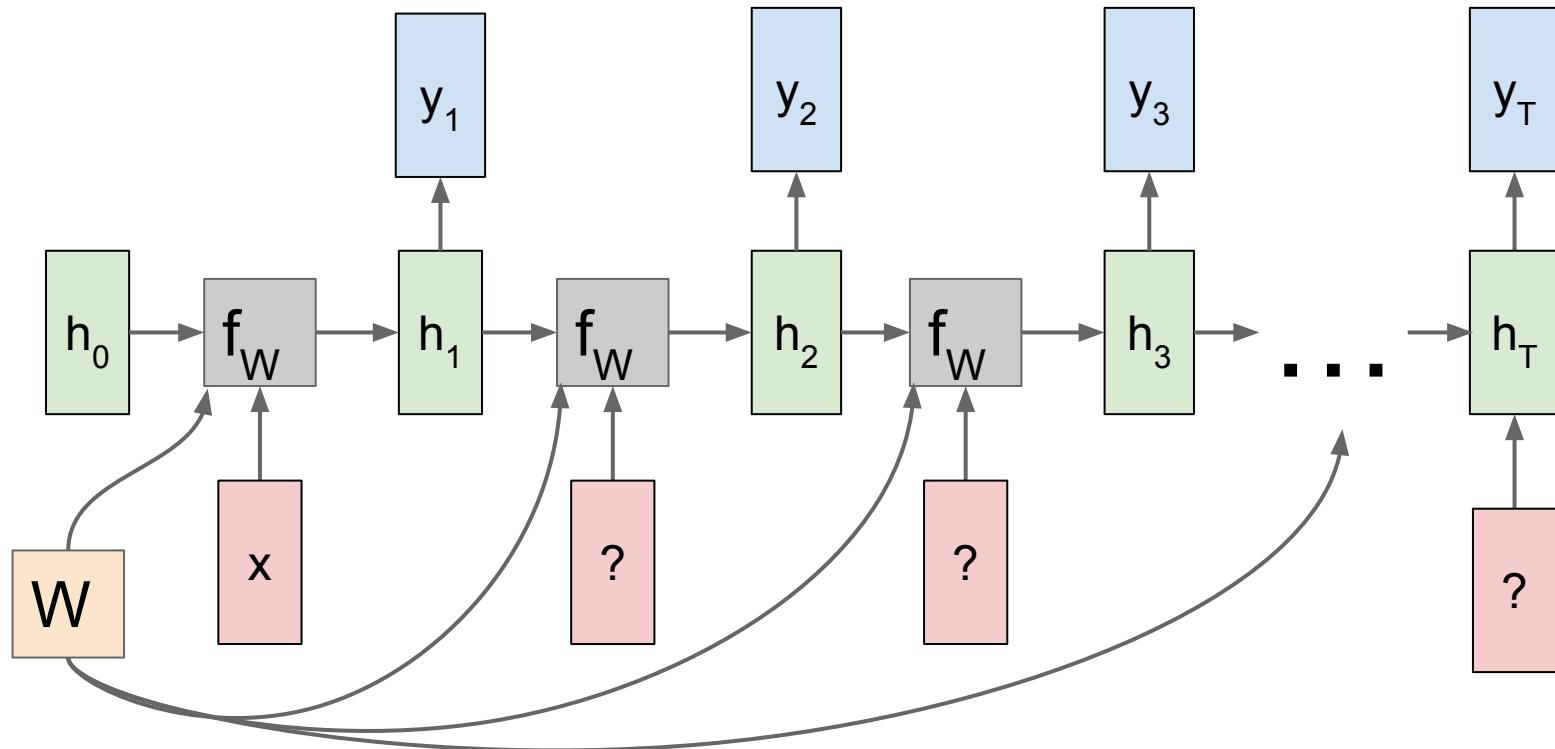
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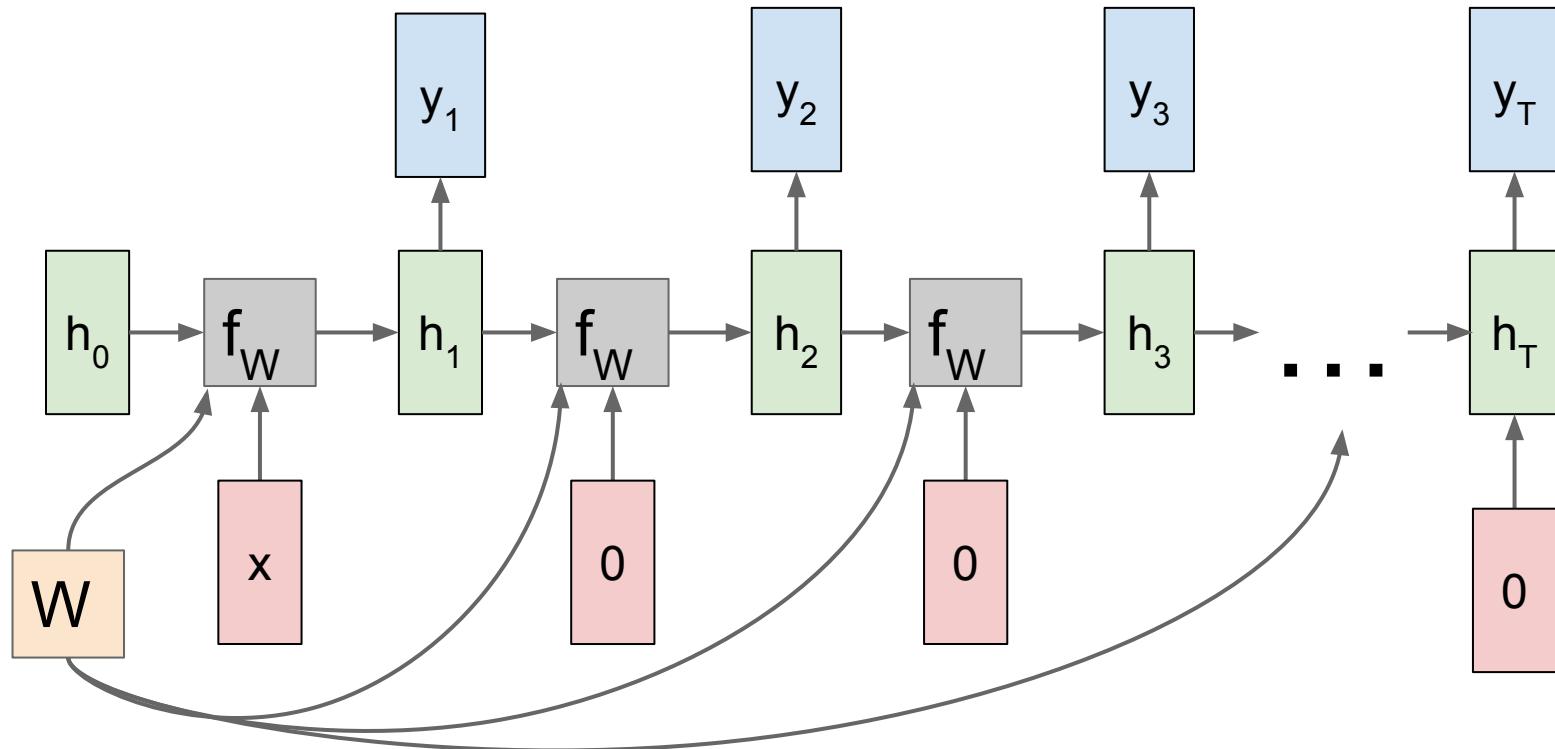
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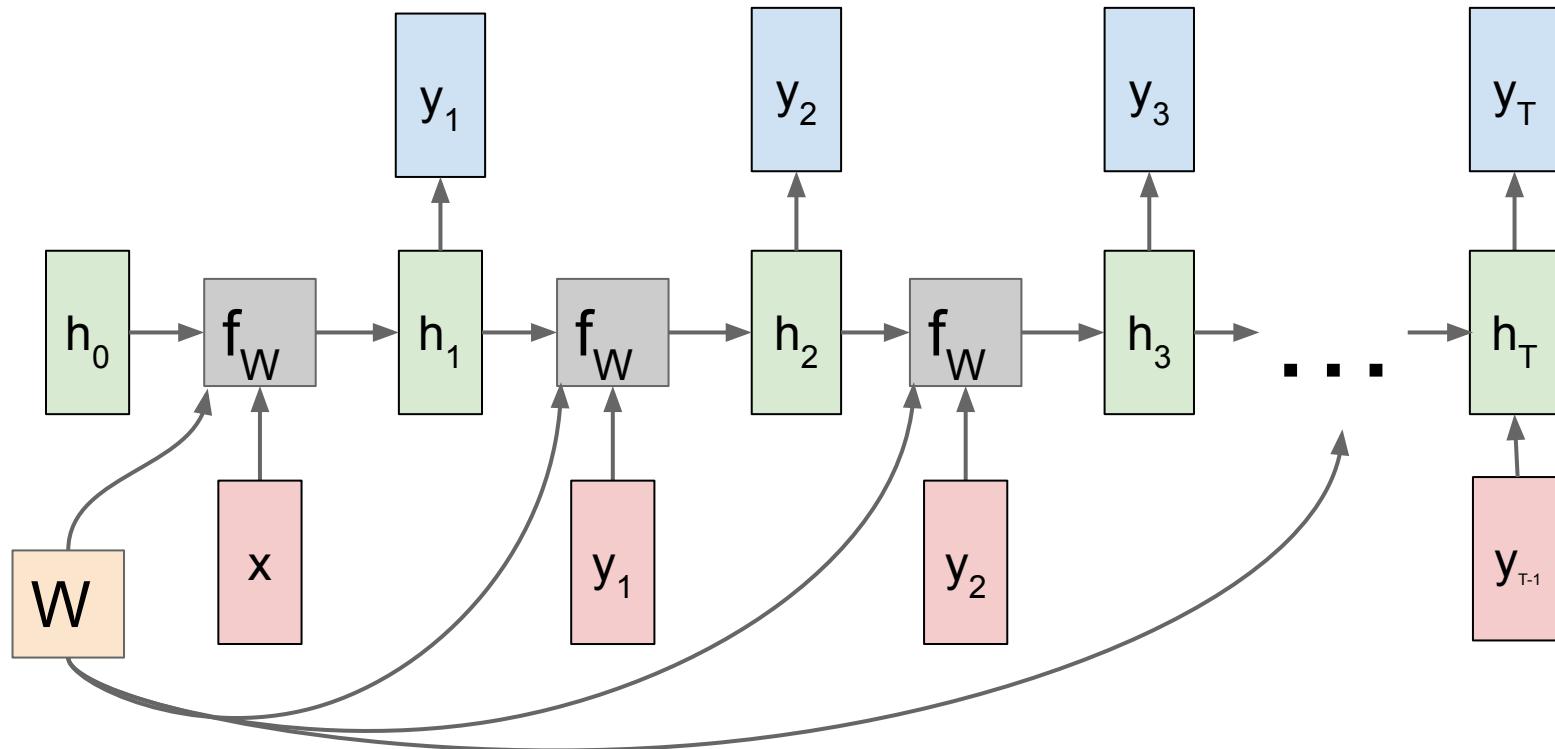
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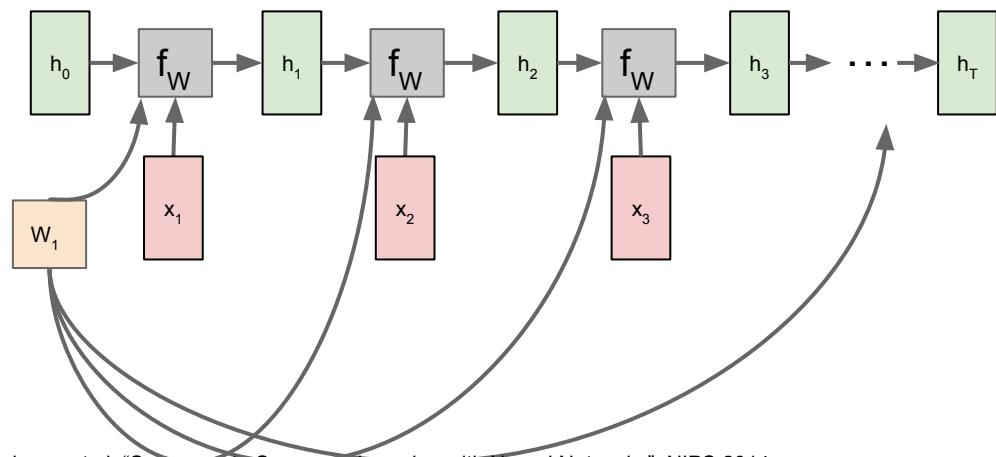


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# Sequence to Sequence: Many-to-one + one-to-many

**Many to one:** Encode input sequence in a single vector

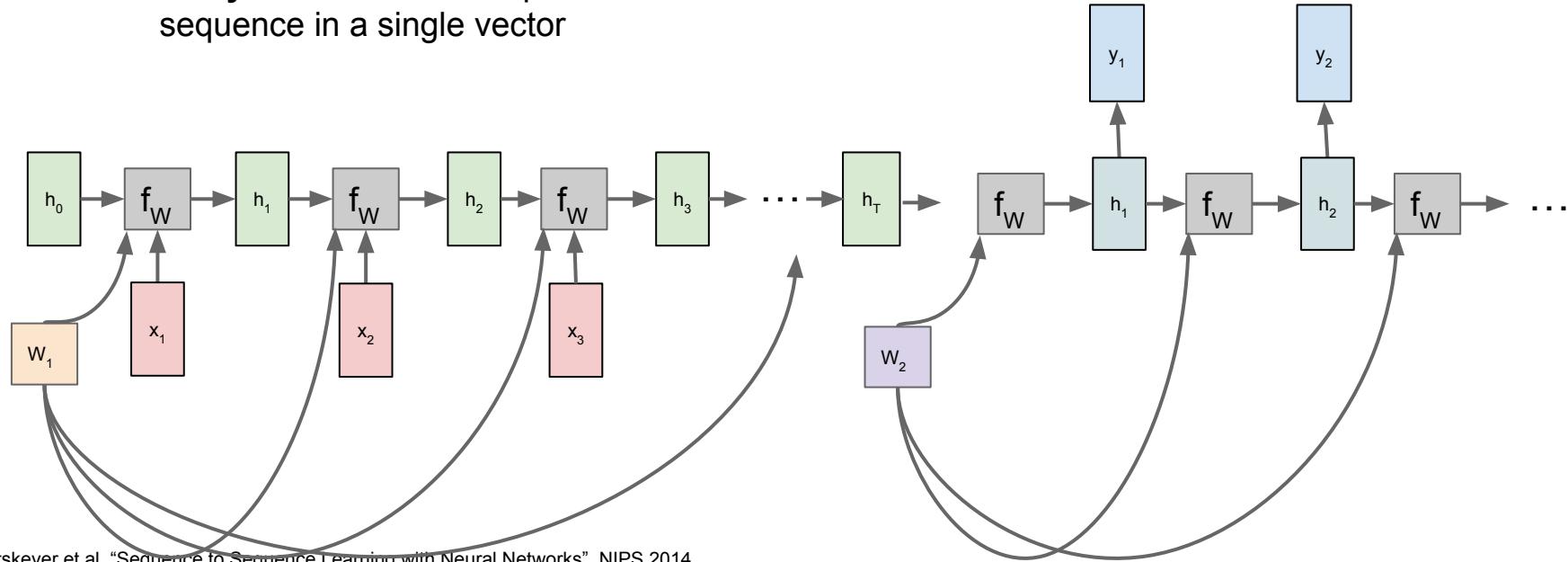


Sutskever et al, "Sequence to Sequence Learning with Neural Networks", NIPS 2014

# Sequence to Sequence: Many-to-one + one-to-many

**Many to one:** Encode input sequence in a single vector

**One to many:** Produce output sequence from single input vector

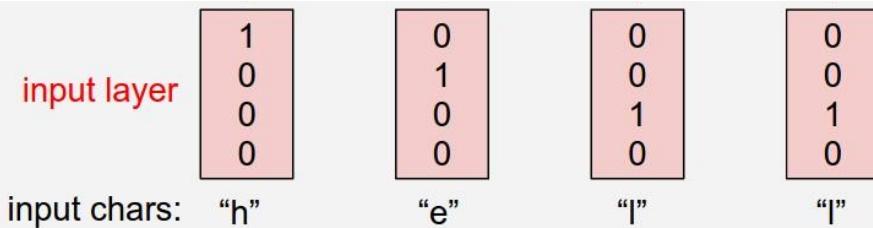


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[h,e,l,o]

Example training  
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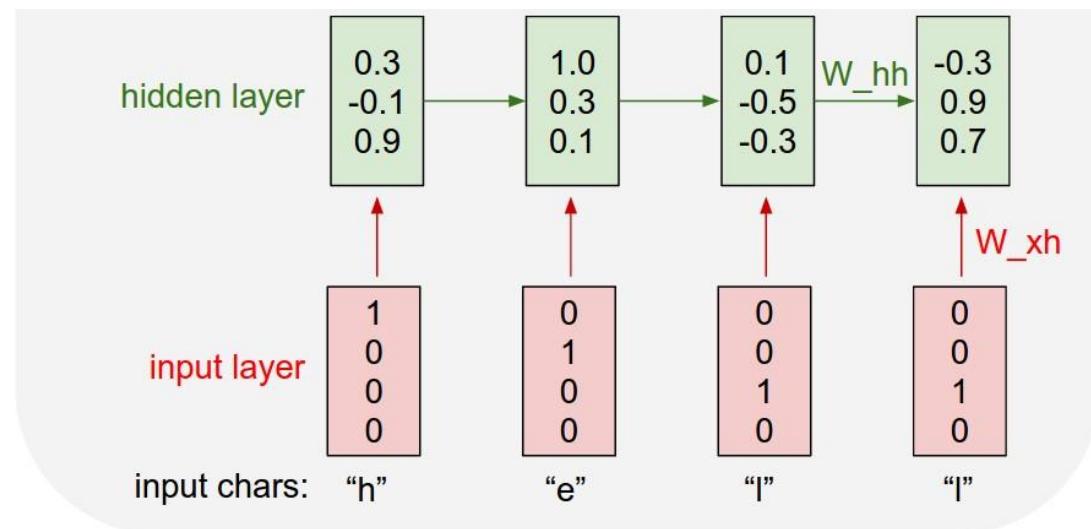


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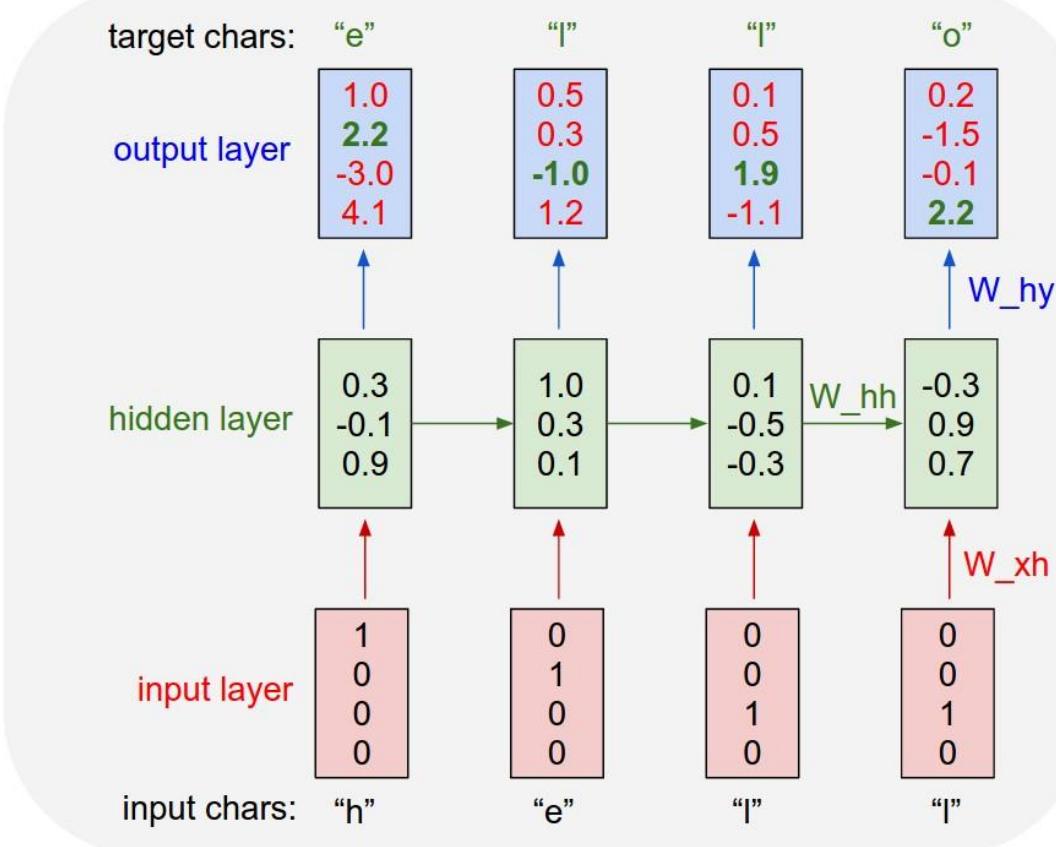
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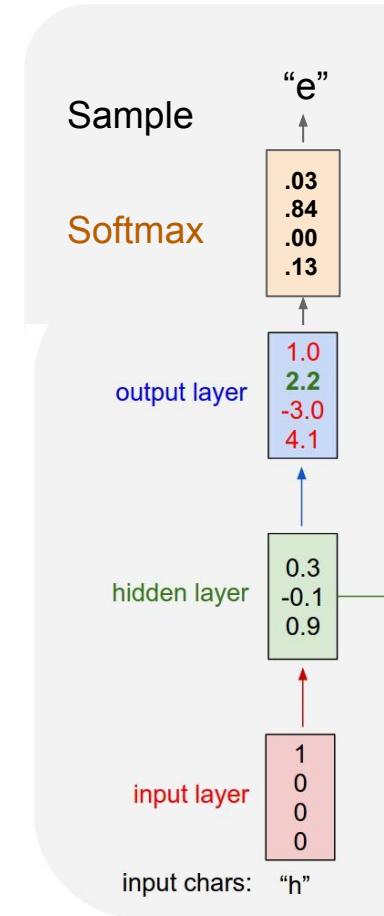
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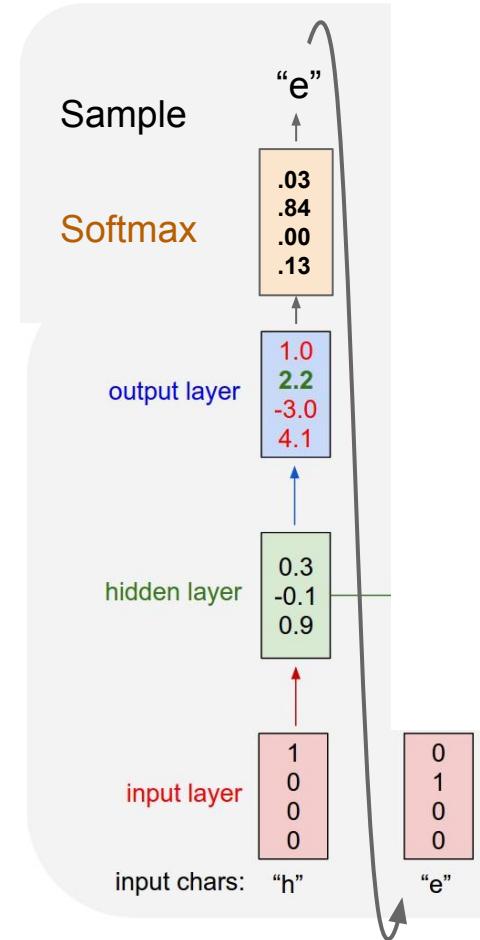
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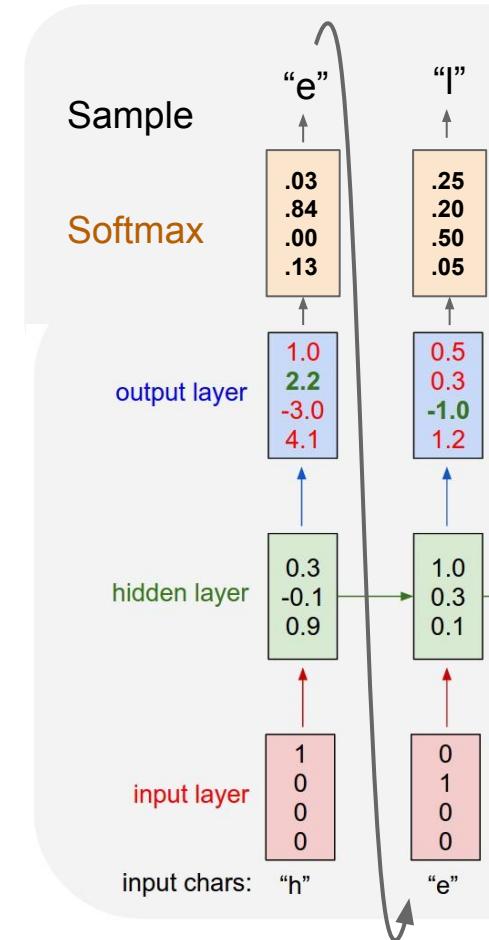
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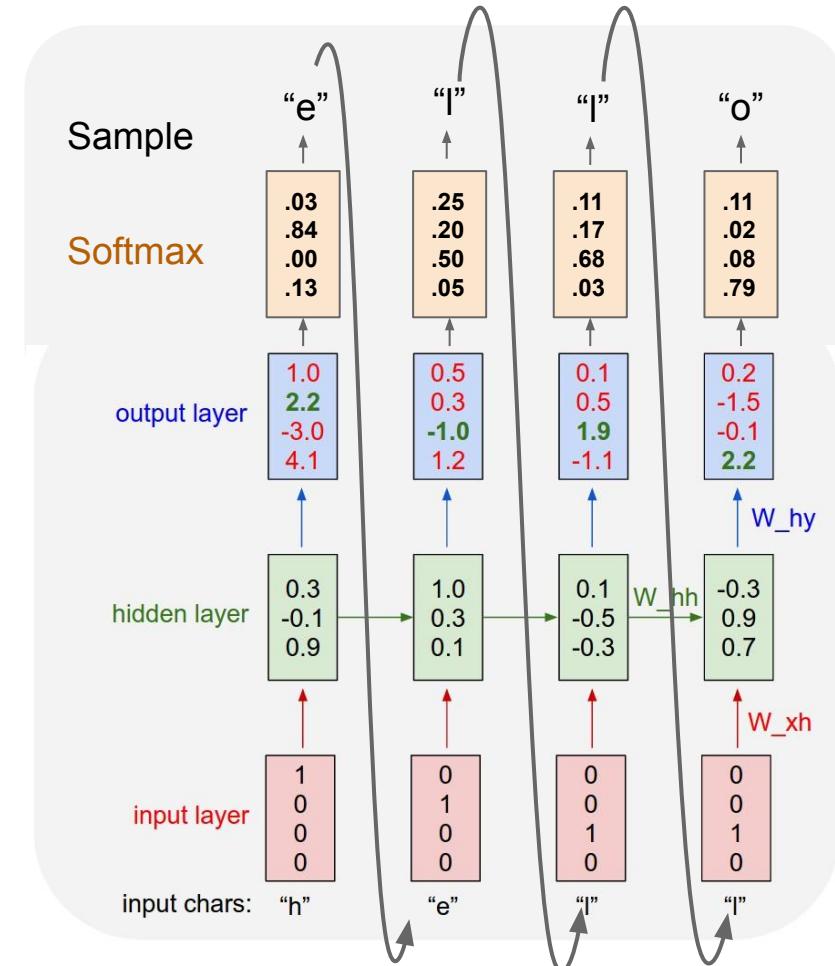
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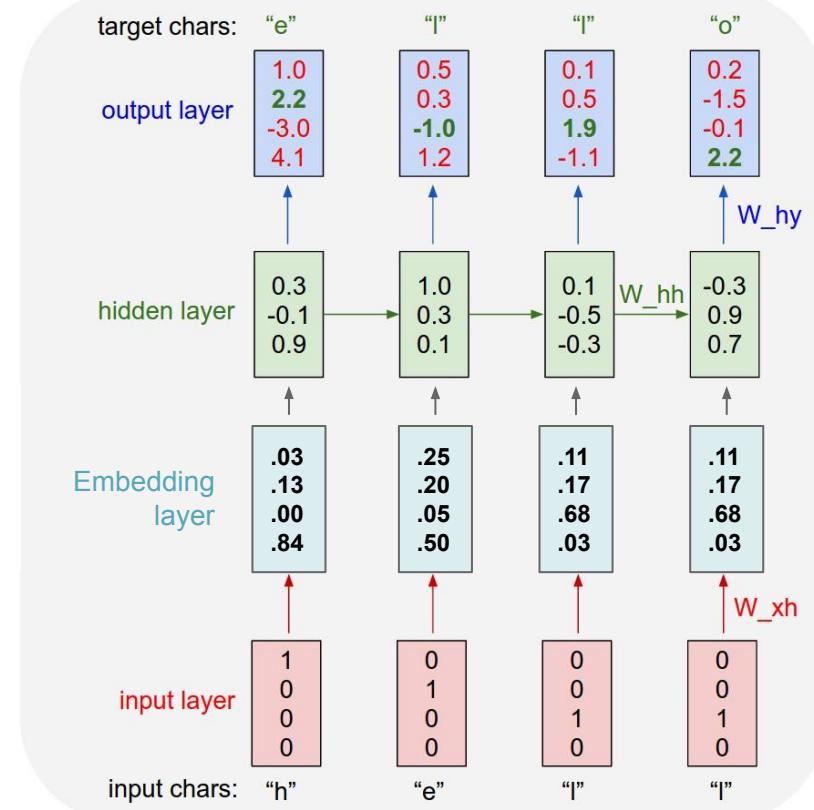
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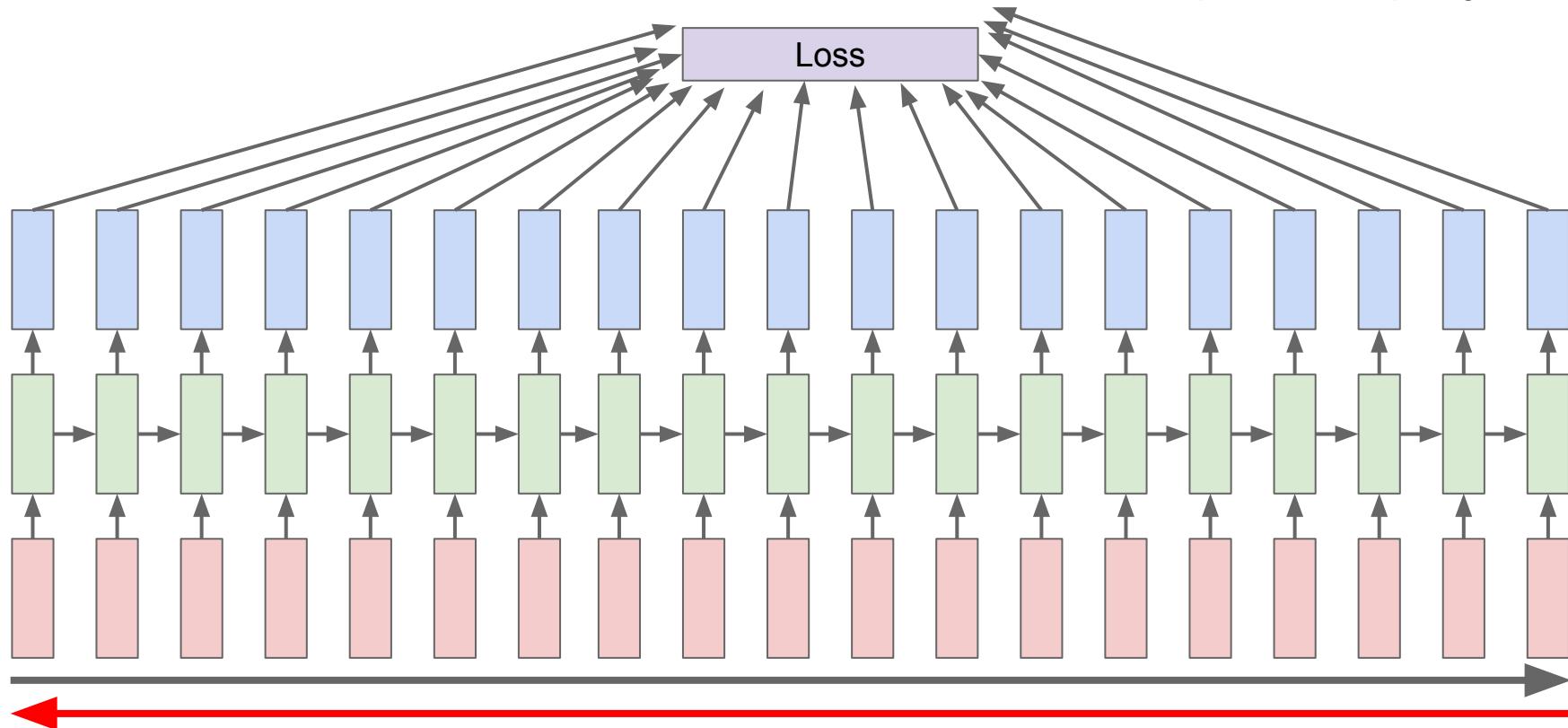
$$\begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} & w_{13} & w_{14} \end{bmatrix} [1] \quad [w_{11}] \\ \begin{bmatrix} w_{21} & w_{22} & w_{23} & w_{14} \end{bmatrix} [0] = [w_{21}] \\ \begin{bmatrix} w_{31} & w_{32} & w_{33} & w_{14} \end{bmatrix} [0] \quad [w_{31}] \\ [0] \end{math>$$

Matrix multiply with a one-hot vector just extracts a column from the weight matrix.  
We often put a separate **embedding layer** between input and hidden layers.

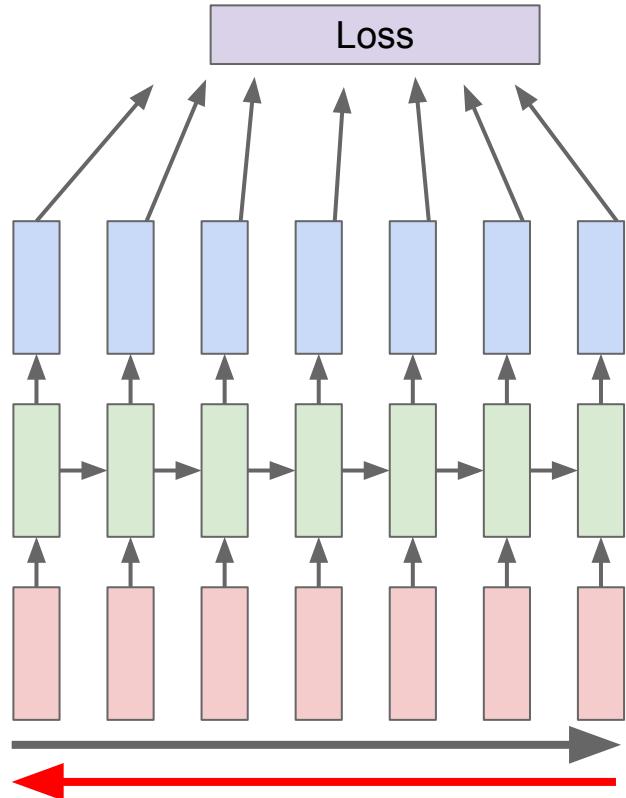


# Backpropagation through time

Forward through entire sequence to compute loss, then backward through entire sequence to compute gradient

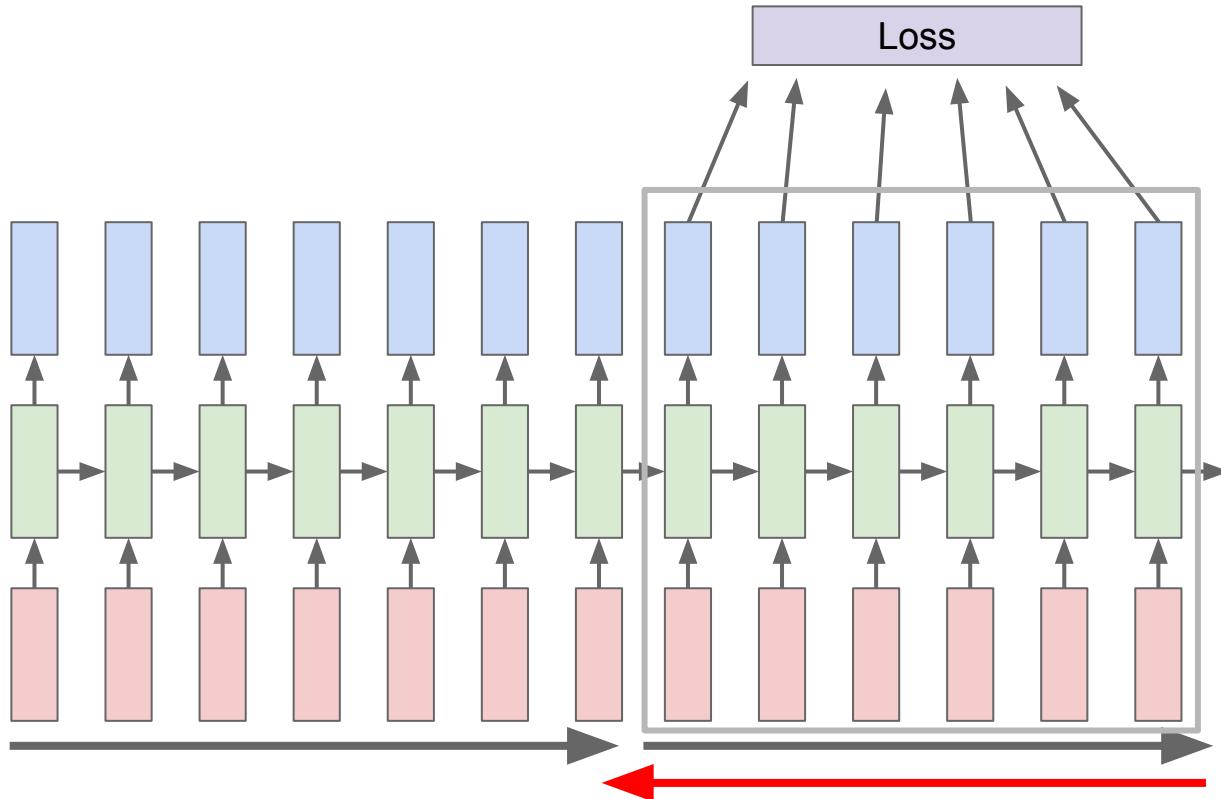


# Truncated Backpropagation through time



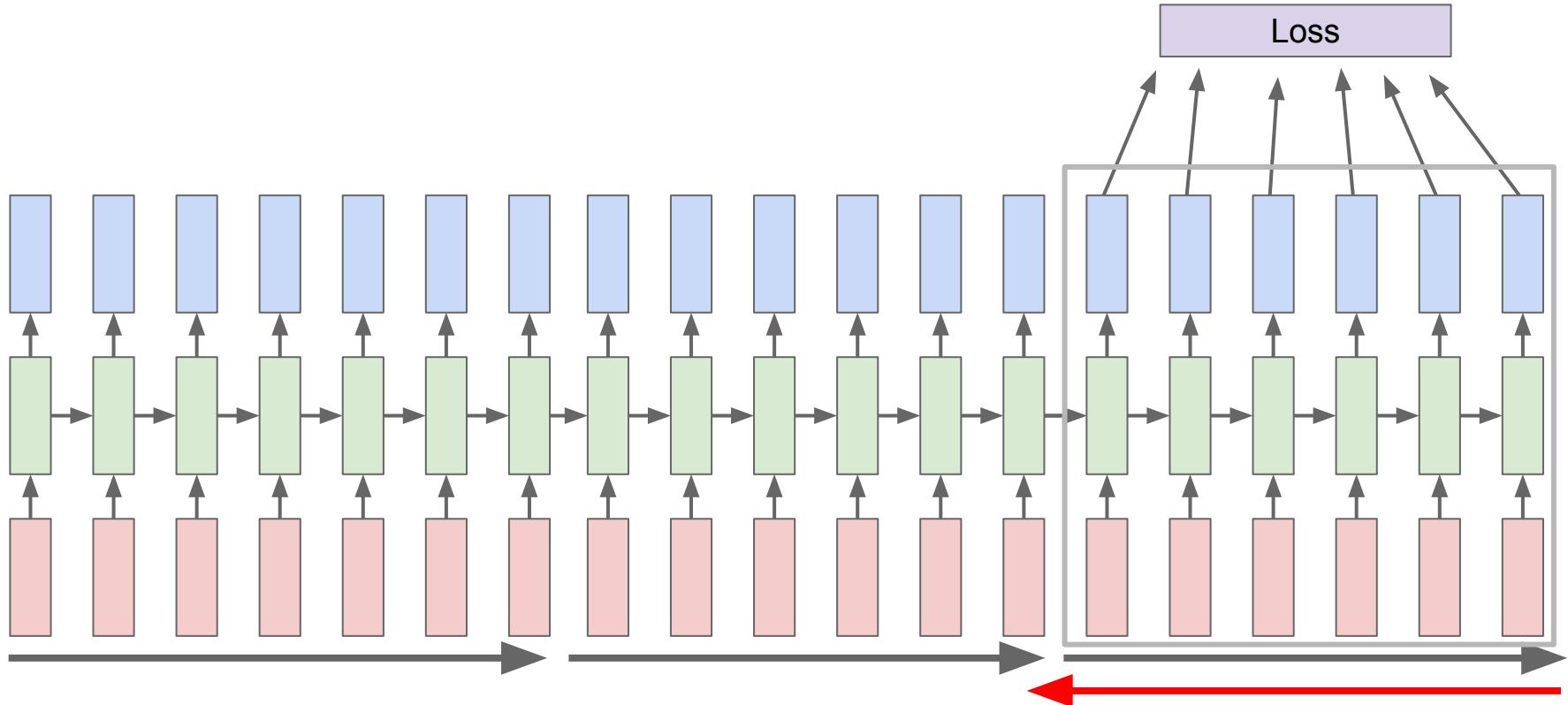
Run forward and backward  
through chunks of the  
sequence instead of whole  
sequence

# Truncated Backpropagation through time



Carry hidden states forward in time forever, but only backpropagate for some smaller number of steps

# Truncated Backpropagation through time



# min-char-rnn.py gist: 112 lines of Python

```
1  """
2  Minimal character-level Vanilla RNN model. Written by Andrej Karpathy (@karpathy)
3  BSD License
4  """
5  import numpy as np
6
7  # data I/O
8  data = open('input.txt', 'r').read() # should be simple plain text file
9  chars = list(set(data))
10 data_size, vocab_size = len(data), len(chars)
11 print('data has %d characters, %d unique.' % (data_size, vocab_size))
12 char_to_ix = {ch:i for i,ch in enumerate(chars)}
13 ix_to_char = {i:ch for i,ch in enumerate(chars)}
14
15 # hyperparameters
16 hidden_size = 100 # size of hidden layer of neurons
17 seq_length = 25 # number of steps to unroll the RNN for
18 learning_rate = 1e-1
19
20 # model parameters
21 wkh = np.random.rand(hidden_size, vocab_size)*0.01 # input to hidden
22 whh = np.random.rand(hidden_size, hidden_size)*0.01 # hidden to hidden
23 why = np.random.rand(vocab_size, hidden_size)*0.01 # hidden to output
24 bh = np.zeros((hidden_size, 1)) # hidden bias
25 by = np.zeros((vocab_size, 1)) # output bias
26
27 def lossFun(inputs, targets, hprev):
28     """
29     inputs,targets are both list of integers.
30     hprev is Hx1 array of initial hidden state
31     returns the loss, gradients on model parameters, and last hidden state
32     """
33     xs, hs, ys, ps = [], [], [], []
34     hs[-1] = np.copy(hprev)
35     loss = 0
36     # forward pass
37     for t in xrange(len(inputs)):
38         xs[t] = np.zeros((vocab_size,1)) # encode in 1-of-k representation
39         xs[t][inputs[t]] = 1
40         hs[t] = np.tanh(np.dot(wkh, xs[t]) + np.dot(whh, hs[-1]) + bh) # hidden state
41         ys[t] = np.dot(why, hs[t]) - by # unnormalized log probabilities for next chars
42         ps[t] = np.exp(ys[t]) / np.sum(np.exp(ys[t])) # probabilities for next chars
43         loss += -np.log(ps[t][targets[t],0]) # softmax (cross-entropy loss)
44
45         # backward pass: compute gradients going backwards
46         dwhx, dwhh, dwhy = np.zeros_like(wkh), np.zeros_like(whh), np.zeros_like(why)
47         dbh, dby = np.zeros_like(bh), np.zeros_like(by)
48         dhnext = np.zeros_like(hs[0])
49         for t2 in reversed(xrange(len(inputs))):
50             dy = np.copy(ps[t2])
51             dy[targets[t2]] -= 1 # backprop into y
52             dyw = np.dot(dy, hs[t2].T)
53             dhy = np.dot(dy, dwhy, hs[t2].T)
54             dhw = np.dot(dy, dhnext, hs[t2].T)
55             dbh += dhy
56             dwhh += np.dot(dhw, dhnext, hs[t2].T)
57             dwhx += np.dot(dhw, dhy, hs[t2].T)
58             dhnext = np.dot(why.T, dhy)
59             for dparam in [dwhx, dwhh, dwhy, dbh, dby]:
60                 np.clip(dparam, -5, 5, out=dparam) # clip to mitigate exploding gradients
61
62     return loss, dwhx, dwhh, dwhy, dbh, dby, hs[len(inputs)-1]
```

```
63 def sample(h, seed_ix, n):
64     """
65     sample a sequence of integers from the model
66     h is memory state, seed_ix is seed letter for first time step
67     """
68     x = np.zeros((vocab_size, 1))
69     x[seed_ix] = 1
70     ixes = []
71     for t in xrange(n):
72         h = np.tanh(np.dot(wkh, x) + np.dot(whh, h) + bh)
73         y = np.dot(why, h) + by
74         p = np.exp(y) / np.sum(np.exp(y))
75         ix = np.random.choice(range(vocab_size), p=p.ravel())
76         x = np.zeros((vocab_size, 1))
77         x[ix] = 1
78         ixes.append(ix)
79
80     return ixes
81
82 n, p = 0, 0
83 mxwh, mwhh, mwhy = np.zeros_like(wkh), np.zeros_like(whh), np.zeros_like(why)
84 mbh, mby = np.zeros_like(bh), np.zeros_like(by) # memory variables for Adagrad
85 smooth_loss = -np.log(1.0/vocab_size)*seq_length # loss at iteration 0
86 while True:
87     # prepare inputs (we're sweeping from left to right in steps seq_length long)
88     if p+seq_length >= len(data) or n == 0:
89         hprev = np.zeros((hidden_size,1)) # reset RNN memory
90         p = 0 # go from start of data
91     inputs = [char_to_ix[ch] for ch in data[p:p+seq_length]]
92     targets = [char_to_ix[ch] for ch in data[p+1:p+seq_length+1]]
93
94     # sample from the model now and then
95     if n % 100 == 0:
96         sample_ix = sample(hprev, inputs[0], 200)
97         txt = ''.join(ix_to_char[ix] for ix in sample_ix)
98         print('----\n%s\n----' % (txt,))
99
100    # forward seq_length characters through the net and fetch gradient
101    loss, dwhx, dwhh, dwhy, dbh, dby, hprev = lossFun(inputs, targets, hprev)
102    smooth_loss = smooth_loss * .999 + loss * .001
103    if n % 100 == 0: print('iter %d, loss: %f' % (n, smooth_loss)) # print progress
104
105    # perform parameter update with Adagrad
106    for param, dparam, mem in zip([wkh, whh, why, bh, by],
107                                 [dwhx, dwhh, dwhy, dbh, dby],
108                                 [mxwh, mwhh, mwhy, mbh, mby]):
109        mem += dparam * dparam
110        param -= learning_rate * param / np.sqrt(mem + 1e-8) # adagrad update
111
112    p += seq_length # move data pointer
113    n += 1 # iteration counter
```

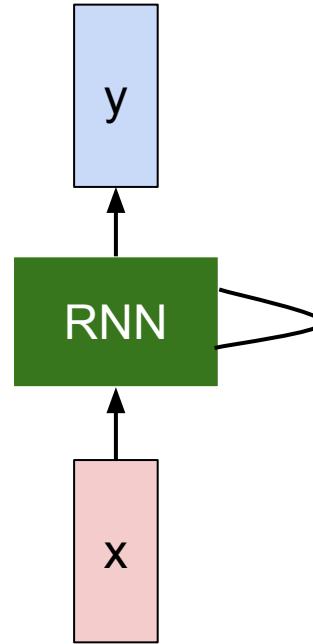
(<https://gist.github.com/karpathy/d4dee566867f8291f086>)

# THE SONNETS

by William Shakespeare

From fairest creatures we desire increase,  
That thereby beauty's rose might never die,  
But as the riper should by time decease,  
His tender heir might bear his memory:  
But thou, contracted to thine own bright eyes,  
Feed'st thy light's flame with self-substantial fuel,  
Making a famine where abundance lies,  
Thyself thy foe, to thy sweet self too cruel:  
Thou that art now the world's fresh ornament,  
And only herald to the gaudy spring,  
Within thine own bud buriest thy content,  
And tender churl mak'st waste in niggarding:  
    Pity the world, or else this glutton be,  
    To eat the world's due, by the grave and thee.

When forty winters shall besiege thy brow,  
And dig deep trenches in thy beauty's field,  
Thy youth's proud livery so gazed on now,  
Will be a tatter'd weed of small worth held:  
Then being asked, where all thy beauty lies,  
Where all the treasure of thy lusty days;  
To say, within thine own deep sunken eyes,  
Were an all-eating shame, and thriftless praise.  
How much more praise deserv'd thy beauty's use,  
If thou couldst answer 'This fair child of mine  
Shall sum my count, and make my old excuse,'  
Proving his beauty by succession thine!  
    This were to be new made when thou art old,  
    And see thy blood warm when thou feel'st it cold.



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"Why do what that day," replied Natasha, and wishing to himself the fact the  
princess, Princess Mary was easier, fed in had oftened him.  
Pierre aking his soul came to the packs and drove up his father-in-law women.

PANDARUS:

Alas, I think he shall be come approached and the day  
When little strain would be attain'd into being never fed,  
And who is but a chain and subjects of his death,  
I should not sleep.

Second Senator:

They are away this miseries, produced upon my soul,  
Breaking and strongly should be buried, when I perish  
The earth and thoughts of many states.

DUKE VINCENTIO:

Well, your wit is in the care of side and that.

Second Lord:

They would be ruled after this chamber, and  
my fair nues begun out of the fact, to be conveyed,  
Whose noble souls I'll have the heart of the wars.

Clown:

Come, sir, I will make did behold your worship.

VIOLA:

I'll drink it.

VIOLA:

Why, Salisbury must find his flesh and thought  
That which I am not aps, not a man and in fire,  
To show the reining of the raven and the wars  
To grace my hand reproach within, and not a fair are hand,  
That Caesar and my goodly father's world;  
When I was heaven of presence and our fleets,  
We spare with hours, but cut thy council I am great,  
Murdered and by thy master's ready there  
My power to give thee but so much as hell:  
Some service in the noble bondman here,  
Would show him to her wine.

KING LEAR:

O, if you were a feeble sight, the courtesy of your law,  
Your sight and several breath, will wear the gods  
With his heads, and my hands are wonder'd at the deeds,  
So drop upon your lordship's head, and your opinion  
Shall be against your honour.

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	3. Set Theory	<a href="#">online</a>	<a href="#">tex</a>	<a href="#">pdf</a>
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	6. Sheaves on Spaces	<a href="#">online</a>	<a href="#">tex</a>	<a href="#">pdf</a>
	7. Sites and Sheaves	<a href="#">online</a>	<a href="#">tex</a>	<a href="#">pdf</a>
	8. Stacks	<a href="#">online</a>	<a href="#">tex</a>	<a href="#">pdf</a>
	9. Fields	<a href="#">online</a>	<a href="#">tex</a>	<a href="#">pdf</a>
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For  $\bigoplus_{n=1,\dots,m} \mathcal{L}_{m,n} = 0$ , hence we can find a closed subset  $\mathcal{H}$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  and any sets  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$ ,  $U$  is a closed immersion of  $S$ , then  $U \rightarrow T$  is a separated algebraic space.

*Proof.* Proof of (1). It also start we get

$$S = \text{Spec}(R) = U \times_X U \times_X U$$

and the comparicoly in the fibre product covering we have to prove the lemma generated by  $\coprod Z \times_U U \rightarrow V$ . Consider the maps  $M$  along the set of points  $\text{Sch}_{fppf}$  and  $U \rightarrow U$  is the fibre category of  $S$  in  $U$  in Section, ?? and the fact that any  $U$  affine, see Morphisms, Lemma ???. Hence we obtain a scheme  $S$  and any open subset  $W \subset U$  in  $\text{Sh}(G)$  such that  $\text{Spec}(R') \rightarrow S$  is smooth or an

$$U = \bigcup U_i \times_{S_i} U_i$$

which has a nonzero morphism we may assume that  $f_i$  is of finite presentation over  $S$ . We claim that  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is a scheme where  $x, x', s'' \in S'$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x'} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}'_{X',x'}$  is separated. By Algebra, Lemma ?? we can define a map of complexes  $\text{GL}_{S'}(x'/S'')$  and we win.  $\square$

To prove study we see that  $\mathcal{F}|_U$  is a covering of  $\mathcal{X}'$ , and  $\mathcal{T}_i$  is an object of  $\mathcal{F}_{X/S}$  for  $i > 0$  and  $\mathcal{F}_p$  exists and let  $\mathcal{F}_i$  be a presheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules on  $\mathcal{C}$  as a  $\mathcal{F}$ -module. In particular  $\mathcal{F} = U/\mathcal{F}$  we have to show that

$$\widetilde{M}^\bullet = \mathcal{I}^\bullet \otimes_{\text{Spec}(k)} \mathcal{O}_{S,s} - i_X^{-1} \mathcal{F}$$

is a unique morphism of algebraic stacks. Note that

$$\text{Arrows} = (\text{Sch}/S)_{fppf}^{\text{opp}}, (\text{Sch}/S)_{fppf}$$

and

$$V = \Gamma(S, \mathcal{O}) \rightarrow (U, \text{Spec}(A))$$

is an open subset of  $X$ . Thus  $U$  is affine. This is a continuous map of  $X$  is the inverse, the groupoid scheme  $S$ .

*Proof.* See discussion of sheaves of sets.  $\square$

The result for prove any open covering follows from the less of Example ???. It may replace  $S$  by  $X_{\text{spaces},\text{étale}}$  which gives an open subspace of  $X$  and  $T$  equal to  $S_{\text{Zar}}$ , see Descent, Lemma ???. Namely, by Lemma ?? we see that  $R$  is geometrically regular over  $S$ .

**Lemma 0.1.** Assume (3) and (3) by the construction in the description.

Suppose  $X = \lim |X|$  (by the formal open covering  $X$  and a single map  $\underline{\text{Proj}}_X(\mathcal{A}) = \text{Spec}(B)$  over  $U$  compatible with the complex

$$\text{Set}(\mathcal{A}) = \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_{X,\mathcal{O}_X}).$$

When in this case of to show that  $\mathcal{Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{Z/X}$  is stable under the following result in the second conditions of (1), and (3). This finishes the proof. By Definition ?? (without element is when the closed subschemes are catenary. If  $T$  is surjective we may assume that  $T$  is connected with residue fields of  $S$ . Moreover there exists a closed subspace  $Z \subset X$  of  $X$  where  $U$  in  $X'$  is proper (some defining as a closed subset of the uniqueness it suffices to check the fact that the following theorem

(1)  $f$  is locally of finite type. Since  $S = \text{Spec}(R)$  and  $Y = \text{Spec}(R)$ .

*Proof.* This is form all sheaves of sheaves on  $X$ . But given a scheme  $U$  and a surjective étale morphism  $U \rightarrow X$ . Let  $U \cap U = \coprod_{i=1,\dots,n} U_i$  be the scheme  $X$  over  $S$  at the schemes  $X_i \rightarrow X$  and  $U = \lim_i X_i$ .  $\square$

The following lemma surjective restrocomposes of this implies that  $\mathcal{F}_{x_0} = \mathcal{F}_{x_0} = \mathcal{F}_{x,\dots,x_0}$ .

**Lemma 0.2.** Let  $X$  be a locally Noetherian scheme over  $S$ ,  $E = \mathcal{F}_{X/S}$ . Set  $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{J}_1 \subset \mathcal{I}'_n$ . Since  $\mathcal{I}^n \subset \mathcal{I}^n$  are nonzero over  $i_0 \leq p$  is a subset of  $\mathcal{J}_{n,0} \circ \mathcal{A}_2$  works.

**Lemma 0.3.** In Situation ???. Hence we may assume  $q' = 0$ .

*Proof.* We will use the property we see that  $p$  is the next functor (??). On the other hand, by Lemma ?? we see that

$$D(\mathcal{O}_{X'}) = \mathcal{O}_X(D)$$

where  $K$  is an  $F$ -algebra where  $\delta_{n+1}$  is a scheme over  $S$ .  $\square$

*Proof.* Omitted. □

**Lemma 0.1.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a set of the construction.

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a gerber covering. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a quasi-coherent sheaves of  $\mathcal{O}$ -modules. We have to show that

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{O}_X} = \mathcal{O}_X(\mathcal{L})$$

*Proof.* This is an algebraic space with the composition of sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X_{\text{étale}}$  we have

$$\mathcal{O}_X(\mathcal{F}) = \{\text{morph}_1 \times_{\mathcal{O}_X} (\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{F})\}$$

where  $\mathcal{G}$  defines an isomorphism  $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{O}$ -modules. □

**Lemma 0.2.** This is an integer  $\mathcal{Z}$  is injective.

*Proof.* See Spaces, Lemma ??.

**Lemma 0.3.** Let  $S$  be a scheme. Let  $X$  be a scheme and  $X$  is an affine open covering. Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{X}$  be a canonical and locally of finite type. Let  $X$  be a scheme. Let  $X$  be a scheme which is equal to the formal complex.

The following to the construction of the lemma follows.

Let  $X$  be a scheme. Let  $X$  be a scheme covering. Let

$$b : X \rightarrow Y' \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Y' \times_X Y \rightarrow X.$$

be a morphism of algebraic spaces over  $S$  and  $Y$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a nonzero scheme of  $X$ . Let  $X$  be an algebraic space. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a quasi-coherent sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules. The following are equivalent

- (1)  $\mathcal{F}$  is an algebraic space over  $S$ .
- (2) If  $X$  is an affine open covering.

Consider a common structure on  $X$  and  $X$  the functor  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  which is locally of finite type. □

This since  $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{G}$  the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 S & \xrightarrow{\quad} & & & \\
 \downarrow & & & & \\
 \xi & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}_{X'} & \nearrow & \\
 \text{gor}_s & & & & \\
 & & & & \\
 & & = \alpha' \longrightarrow & & X \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 & & = \alpha' \longrightarrow \alpha & & \text{d}(\mathcal{O}_{X/k}, \mathcal{G}) \\
 & & & & \\
 \text{Spec}(K_\psi) & & \text{Mor}_{\text{Sets}} & &
 \end{array}$$

is a limit. Then  $\mathcal{G}$  is a finite type and assume  $S$  is a flat and  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  is a finite type  $f_*$ . This is of finite type diagrams, and

- the composition of  $\mathcal{G}$  is a regular sequence,
- $\mathcal{O}_{X'}$  is a sheaf of rings.

*Proof.* We have see that  $X = \text{Spec}(R)$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a finite type representable by algebraic space. The property  $\mathcal{F}$  is a finite morphism of algebraic stacks. Then the cohomology of  $X$  is an open neighbourhood of  $U$ . □

*Proof.* This is clear that  $\mathcal{G}$  is a finite presentation, see Lemmas ??.

A reduced above we conclude that  $U$  is an open covering of  $\mathcal{C}$ . The functor  $\mathcal{F}$  is a “field”

$$\mathcal{O}_{X,x} \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_{\bar{x}} \xrightarrow{-1} (\mathcal{O}_{X_{\text{étale}}}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_{\bar{x}}}^{-1} \mathcal{O}_{X_{\lambda}}(\mathcal{O}_{X_{\eta}}^{\bar{v}})$$

is an isomorphism of covering of  $\mathcal{O}_{X_i}$ . If  $\mathcal{F}$  is the unique element of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $X$  is an isomorphism.

The property  $\mathcal{F}$  is a disjoint union of Proposition ?? and we can filtered set of presentations of a scheme  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -algebra with  $\mathcal{F}$  are opens of finite type over  $S$ . If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a scheme theoretic image points. □

If  $\mathcal{F}$  is a finite direct sum  $\mathcal{O}_{X_k}$  is a closed immersion, see Lemma ???. This is a sequence of  $\mathcal{F}$  is a similar morphism.

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```
static void do_command(struct seq_file *m, void *v)
{
    int column = 32 << (cmd[2] & 0x80);
    if (state)
        cmd = (int)(int_state ^ (in_8(&ch->ch_flags) & Cmd) ? 2 : 1);
    else
        seq = 1;
    for (i = 0; i < 16; i++) {
        if (k & (1 << 1))
            pipe = (in_use & UMXTHREAD_UNCCA) +
                ((count & 0x00000000fffffff8) & 0x0000000f) << 8;
        if (count == 0)
            sub(pid, ppc_md.kexec_handle, 0x20000000);
        pipe_set_bytes(i, 0);
    }
    /* Free our user pages pointer to place camera if all dash */
    subsystem_info = &of_changes[PAGE_SIZE];
    rek_controls(offset, idx, &soffset);
    /* Now we want to deliberately put it to device */
    control_check_polarity(&context, val, 0);
    for (i = 0; i < COUNTER; i++)
        seq_puts(s, "policy ");
}
```

# Generated C code

```
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 *
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 * Inc., 675 Mass Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139, USA.
 */

#include <linux/kexec.h>
#include <linux/errno.h>
#include <linux/io.h>
#include <linux/platform_device.h>
#include <linux/multi.h>
#include <linux/ckevent.h>

#include <asm/io.h>
#include <asm/prom.h>
#include <asm/e820.h>
#include <asm/system_info.h>
#include <asm/seteew.h>
#include <asm/pgproto.h>
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#include <asm/system_info.h>
#include <asm/seteew.h>
#include <asm/pgproto.h>

#define REG_PG      vesa_slot_addr_pack
#define PFM_NOCOMP  AFSR(0, load)
#define STACK_DDR(type)      (func)

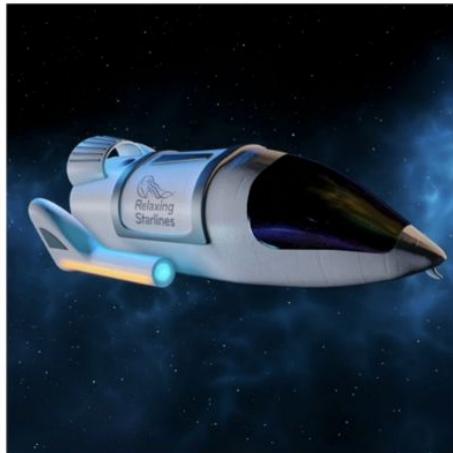
#define SWAP_ALLOCATE(nr)      (e)
#define emulate_sigs()  arch_get_unaligned_child()
#define access_rw(TST)  asm volatile("movd %esp, %0, %3" : : "r" (0)); \
    if (__type & DO_READ)

static void stat_PC_SEC __read_mostly offsetof(struct seq_argsqueue, \
    pC>[1]);

static void
os_prefix(unsigned long sys)
{
#ifdef CONFIG_PREEMPT
    PUT_PARAM_RAID(2, sel) = get_state_state();
    set_pid_sum((unsigned long)state, current_state_str(),
                (unsigned long)-1->lr_full, low;
}

```

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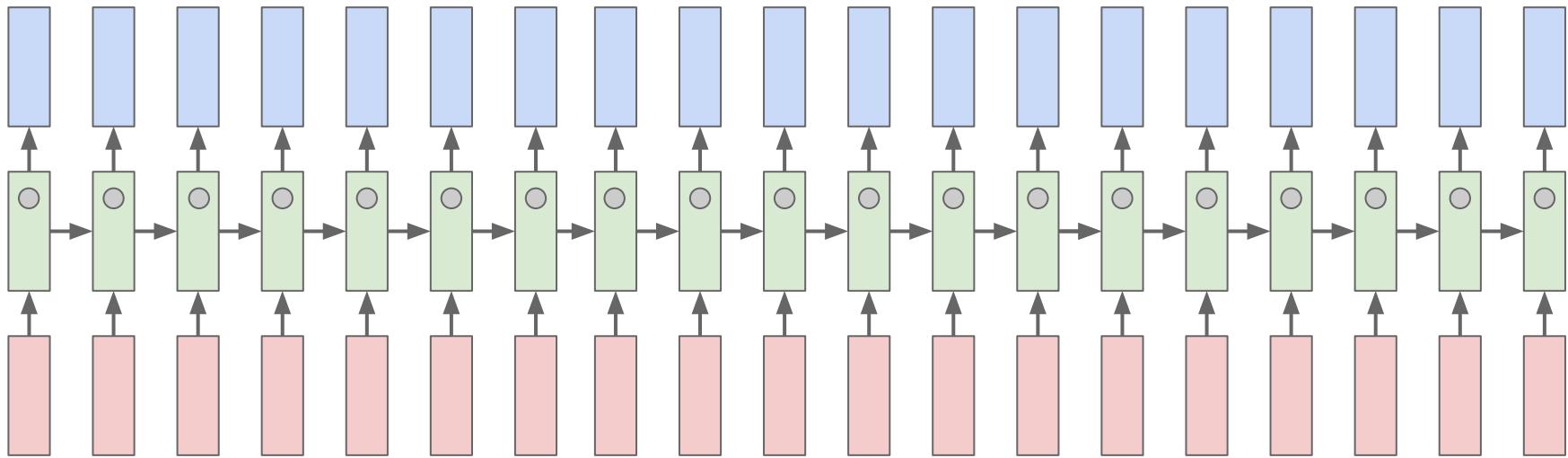
```
/* Add this image of a rocketship:  
https://i1.sndcdn.com/artworks-j8xjG7zc1wmTe07b-06183w-t500x500.jpg */  
var rocketship =  
document.createElement('img');  
rocketship.src =  
https://i1.sndcdn.com/artworks-j8xjG7zc1wmTe07b-06183w-t500x500.jpg;  
document.body.appendChild(rocketship);
```

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```
/* Unpack a filter field's string representation from user-space
 * buffer. */
char *audit_unpack_string(void **bufp, size_t *remain, size_t len)
{
    char *str;
    if (!*bufp || (len == 0) || (len > *remain))
        return ERR_PTR(-EINVAL);
    /* of the currently implemented string fields, PATH_MAX
     * defines the longest valid length.
    */
}
```

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"You mean to imply that I have nothing to eat out of.... On the contrary, I can supply you with everything even if you want to give dinner parties," warmly replied Chichagov, who tried by every word he spoke to prove his own rectitude and therefore imagined Kutuzov to be animated by the same desire.

Kutuzov, shrugging his shoulders, replied with his subtle penetrating smile: "I meant merely to say what I said."

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Cell sensitive to position in line:

The sole importance of the crossing of the Berezina lies in the fact that it plainly and indubitably proved the fallacy of all the plans for cutting off the enemy's retreat and the soundness of the only possible line of action--the one Kutuzov and the general mass of the army demanded--namely, simply to follow the enemy up. The French crowd fled at a continually increasing speed and all its energy was directed to reaching its goal. It fled like a wounded animal and it was impossible to block its path. This was shown not so much by the arrangements it made for crossing as by what took place at the bridges. When the bridges broke down, unarmed soldiers, people from Moscow and women with children who were with the French transport, all--carried on by vis inertiae--pressed forward into boats and into the ice-covered water and did not, surrender.

## line length tracking cell

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```
static int __dequeue_signal(struct sigpending *pending, sigset_t *mask,
    siginfo_t *info)
{
    int sig = next_signal(pending, mask);
    if (sig) {
        if (current->notifier) {
            if (sigismember(current->notifier_mask, sig)) {
                if (! (current->notifier)(current->notifier_data))
                    clear_thread_flag(TIF_SIGPENDING);
                return 0;
            }
        }
        collect_signal(sig, pending, info);
    }
    return sig;
}
```

if statement cell

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Cell that turns on inside comments and quotes:

```
/* Duplicate LSM field information. The lsm_rule is opaque, so
 * re-initialized. */
static inline int audit_dupe_lsm_field(struct audit_field *df,
                                       struct audit_field *sf)
{
    int ret = 0;
    char *lsm_str;
    /* our own copy of lsm_str */
    lsm_str = kstrdup(sf->lsm_str, GFP_KERNEL);
    if (unlikely(!lsm_str))
        return -ENOMEM;
    df->lsm_str = lsm_str;
    /* our own (refreshed) copy of lsm_rule */
    ret = security_audit_rule_init(df->type, df->op, df->lsm_str,
                                   (void **) &df->lsm_rule);
    /* Keep currently invalid fields around in case they
     * become valid after a policy reload. */
    if (ret == -EINVAL) {
        pr_warn("audit rule for LSM \\'%s\\' is invalid\n",
               df->lsm_str);
        ret = 0;
    }
    return ret;
}
```

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```
#ifdef CONFIG_AUDITSYSCALL
static inline int audit_match_class_bits(int class, u32 *mask)
{
    int i;
    if (classes[class]) {
        for (i = 0; i < AUDIT_BITMASK_SIZE; i++)
            if (mask[i] & classes[class][i])
                return 0;
    }
    return 1;
}
```

code depth cell

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# RNN tradeoffs

## RNN Advantages:

- Can process any length input
- Computation for step  $t$  can (in theory) use information from many steps back
- Model size doesn't increase for longer input
- Same weights applied on every timestep, so there is symmetry in how inputs are processed.

## RNN Disadvantages:

- Recurrent computation is slow
- In practice, difficult to access information from many steps back

# Image Captioning

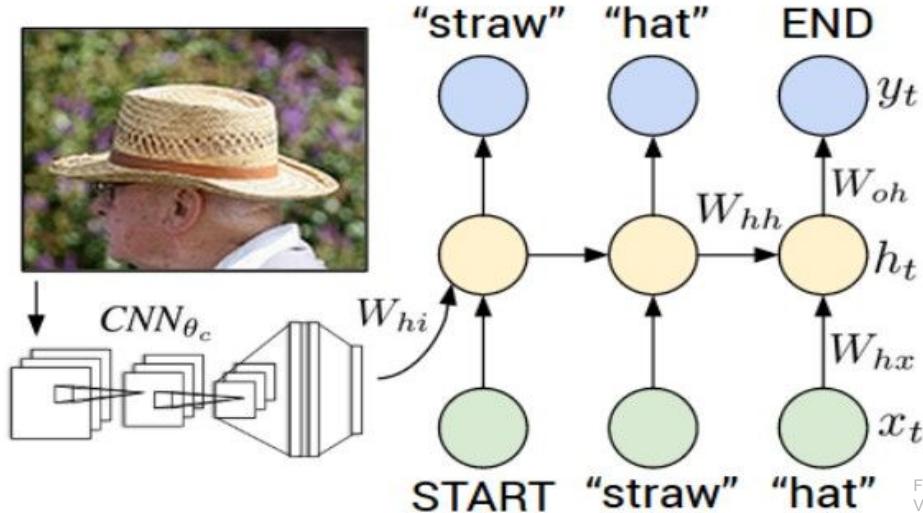


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Explain Images with Multimodal Recurrent Neural Networks, Mao et al.

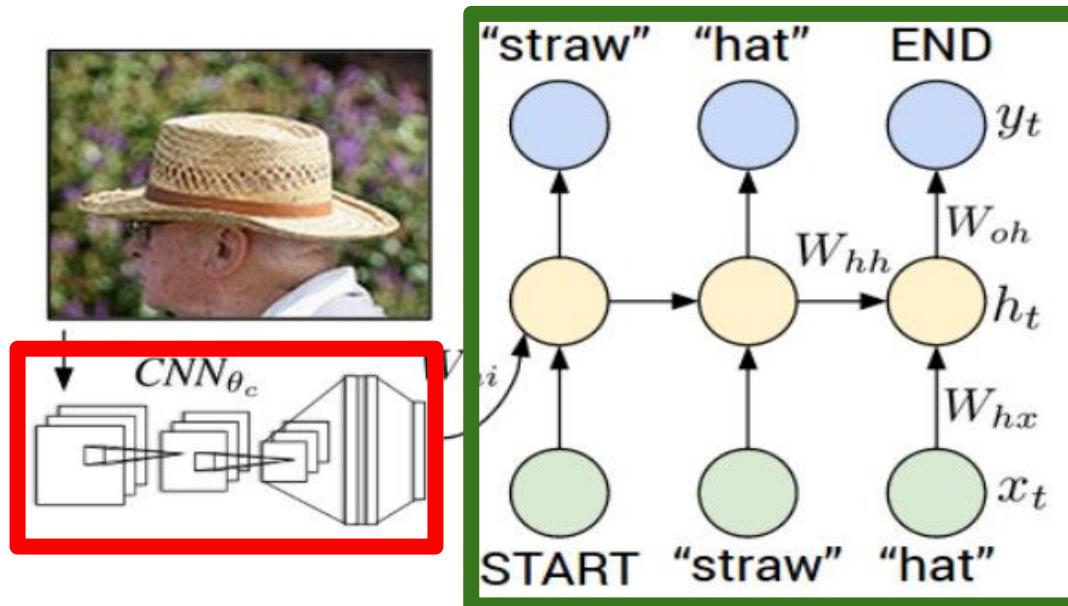
Deep Visual-Semantic Alignments for Generating Image Descriptions, Karpathy and Fei-Fei

Show and Tell: A Neural Image Caption Generator, Vinyals et al.

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Learning a Recurrent Visual Representation for Image Caption Generation, Chen and Zitnick

# Recurrent Neural Network

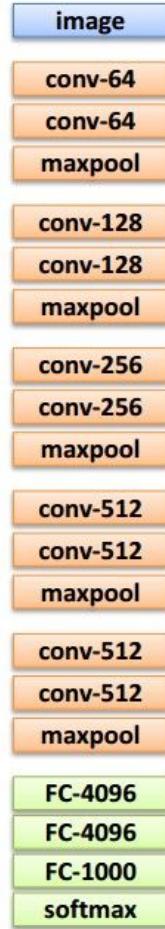


## Convolutional Neural Network



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conv-64

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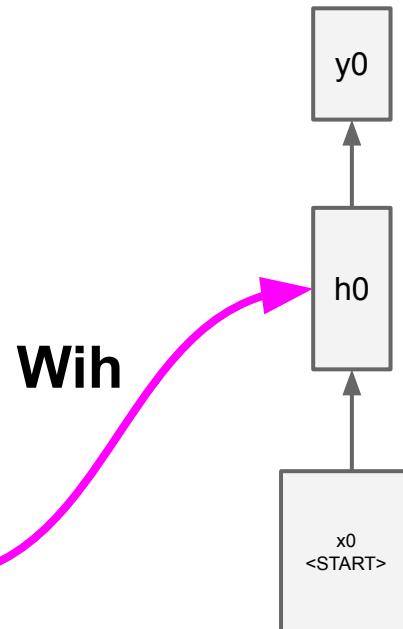


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**before:**

$$h = \tanh(W_{xh} * x + W_{hh} * h)$$

**now:**

$$h = \tanh(W_{xh} * x + W_{hh} * h + W_{ih} * v)$$

image



conv-64

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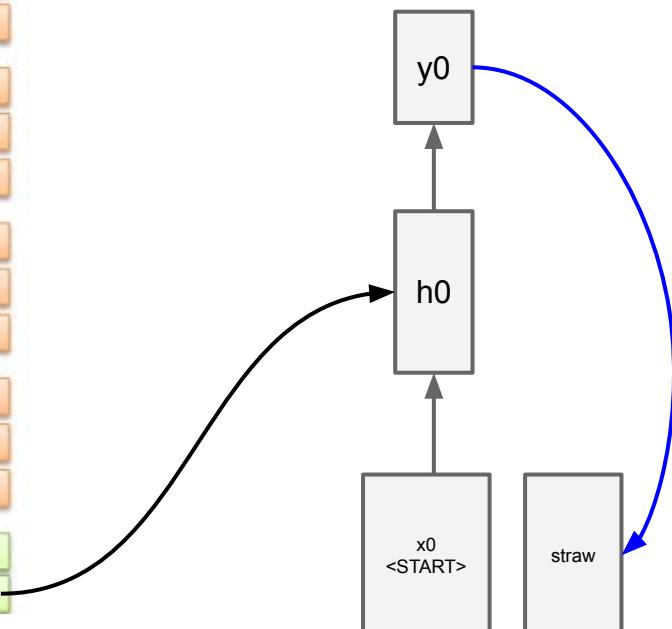
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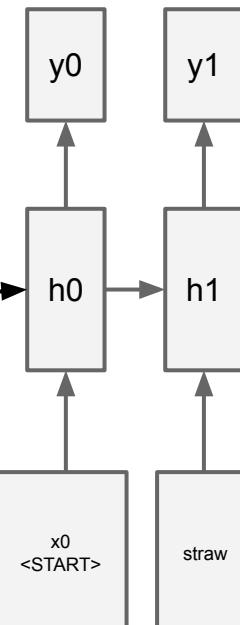
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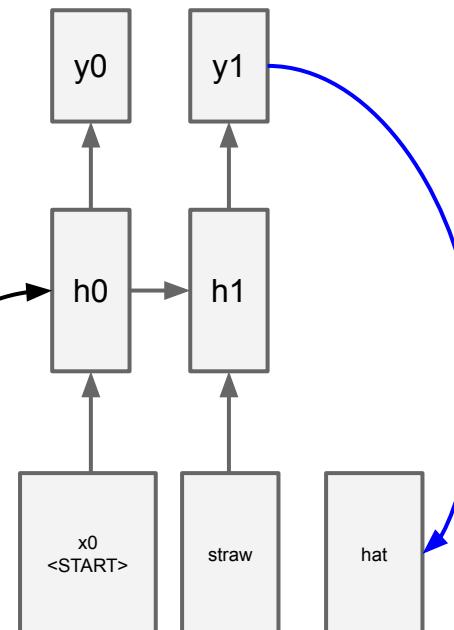
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sample!

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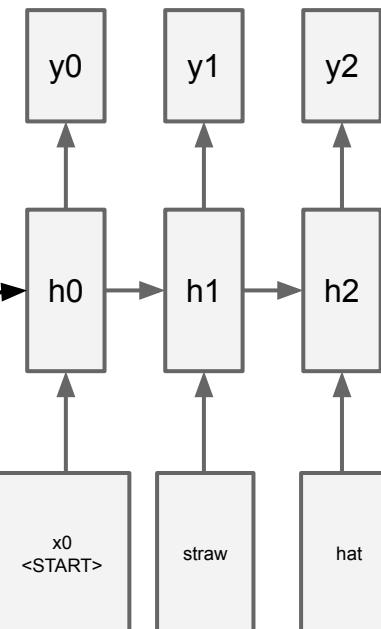
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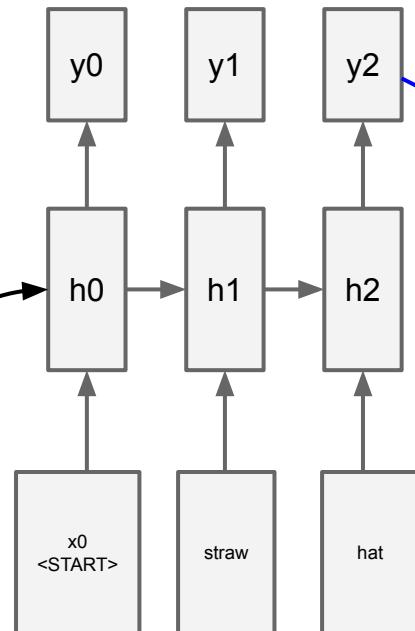
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sample  
<END> token  
=> finish.



# Image Captioning: Example Results



*A cat sitting on a suitcase on the floor*



*A cat is sitting on a tree branch*



*A dog is running in the grass with a frisbee*



*A white teddy bear sitting in the grass*



*Two people walking on the beach with surfboards*



*A tennis player in action on the court*



*Two giraffes standing in a grassy field*



*A man riding a dirt bike on a dirt track*

# Image Captioning: Failure Cases



*A woman is holding a cat in her hand*



*A person holding a computer mouse on a desk*



*A woman standing on a beach holding a surfboard*



*A bird is perched on a tree branch*



*A man in a baseball uniform throwing a ball*

# Visual Question Answering (VQA)



**Q:** What endangered animal is featured on the truck?

- A: A bald eagle.
- A: A sparrow.
- A: A humming bird.
- A: A raven.



**Q:** Where will the driver go if turning right?

- A: Onto 24 1/4 Rd.
- A: Onto 25 1/4 Rd.
- A: Onto 23 1/4 Rd.
- A: Onto Main Street.



**Q:** When was the picture taken?

- A: During a wedding.
- A: During a bar mitzvah.
- A: During a funeral.
- A: During a Sunday church service



**Q:** Who is under the umbrella?

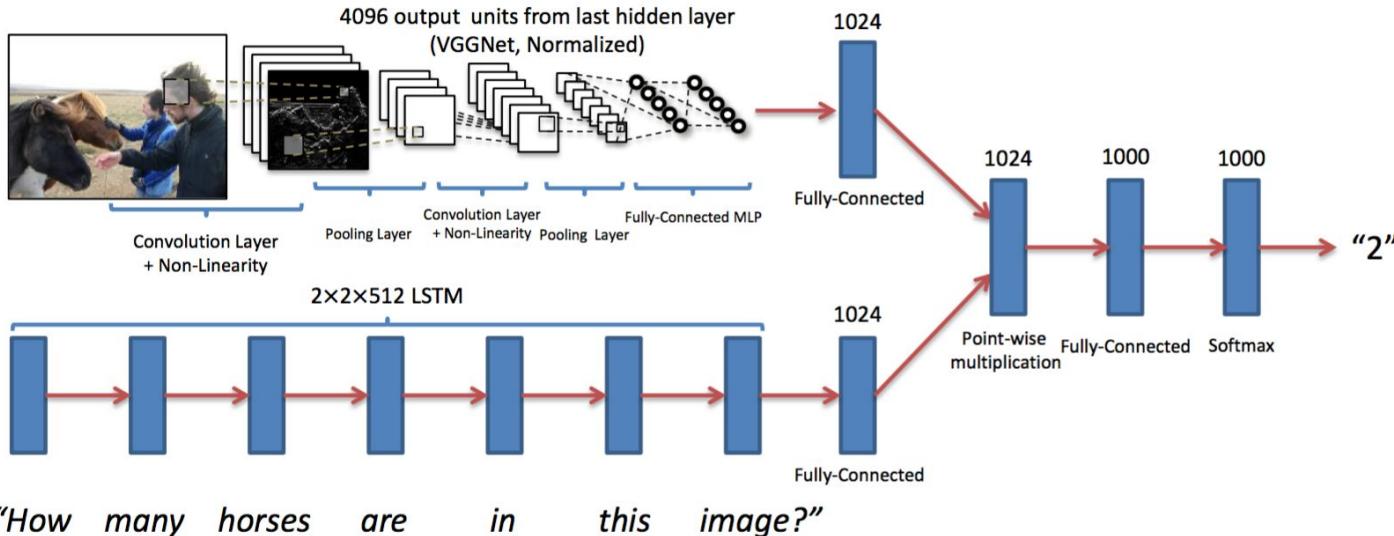
- A: Two women.
- A: A child.
- A: An old man.
- A: A husband and a wife.

Agrawal et al, "VQA: Visual Question Answering", ICCV 2015

Zhu et al, "Visual 7W: Grounded Question Answering in Images", CVPR 2016

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# Visual Dialog: Conversations about images

Visual Dialog

A cat drinking water out of a coffee mug.

What color is the mug?

White and red

No, something is there can't tell what it is

Are there any pictures on it?

Yes, they are

Is the mug and cat on a table?

Yes, magazines, books, toaster and basket, and a plate

Are there other items on the table?

C Start typing question here ... >

Das et al, "Visual Dialog", CVPR 2017  
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# Visual Language Navigation: Go to the living room

Agent encodes instructions in language and uses an RNN to generate a series of movements as the visual input changes after each move.

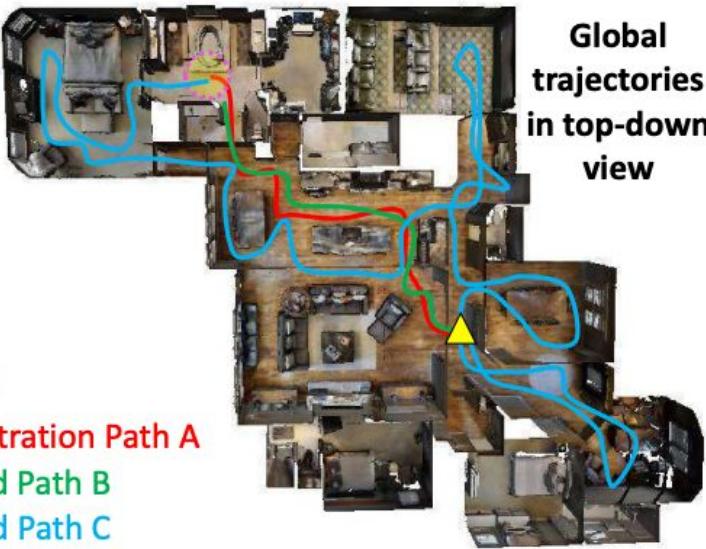
## Instruction

Turn right and head towards the *kitchen*. Then turn left, pass a *table* and enter the *hallway*. Walk down the hallway and turn into the *entry way* to your right *without doors*. Stop in front of the *toilet*.

## Local visual scene



Global trajectories in top-down view



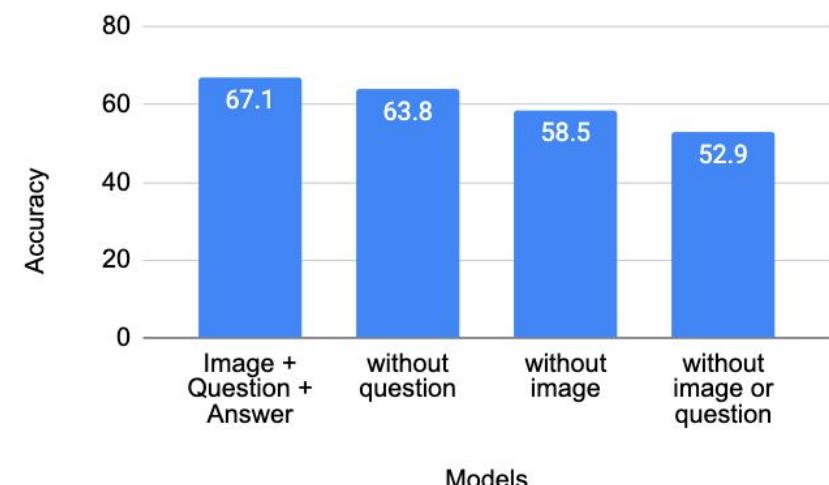
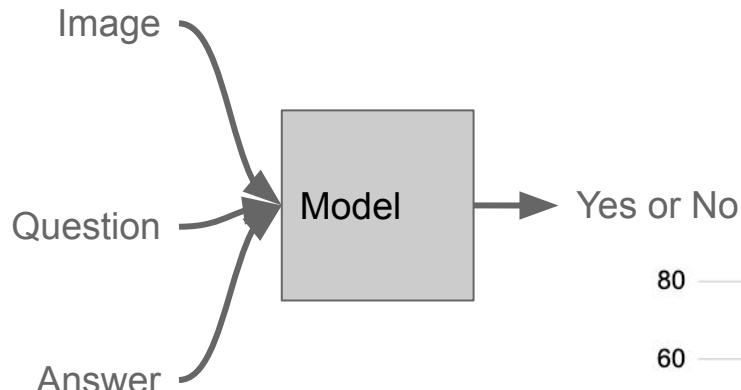
Wang et al, "Reinforced Cross-Modal Matching and Self-Supervised Imitation Learning for Vision-Language Navigation", CVPR 2018  
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# Visual Question Answering: Dataset Bias

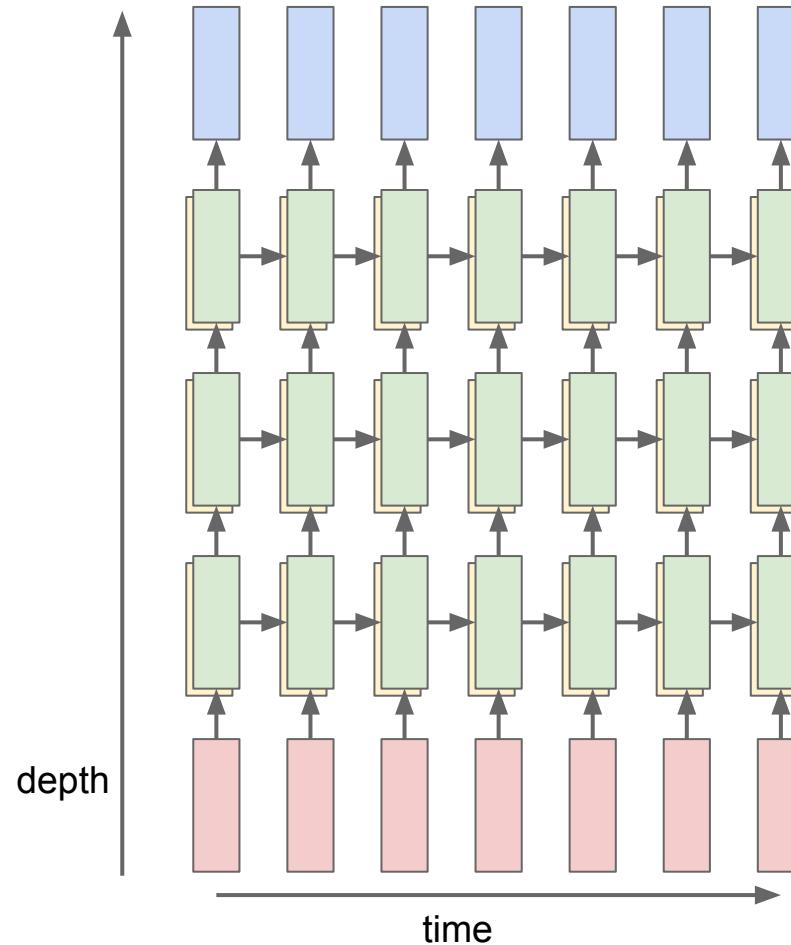


What is the dog  
playing with?

Frisbee



# Multilayer RNNs



# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

## Vanilla RNN

$$h_t = \tanh \left( W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

## LSTM

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \tanh \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

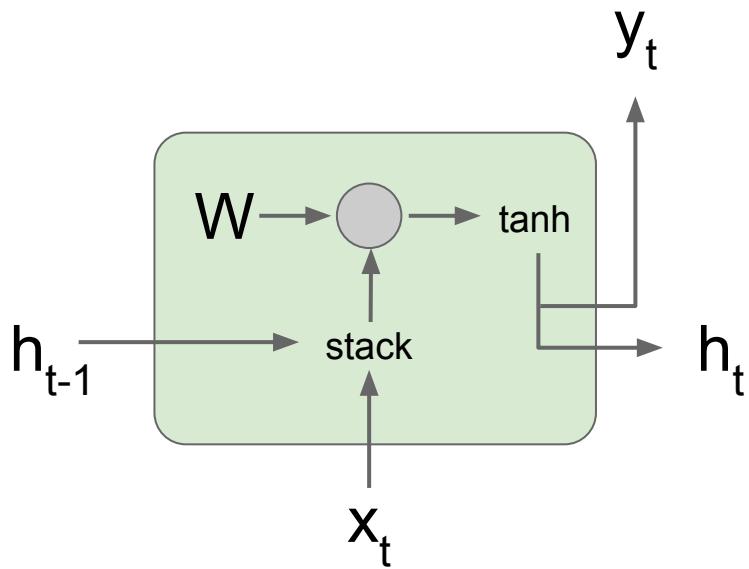
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$$h_t = o \odot \tanh(c_t)$$

Hochreiter and Schmidhuber, "Long Short Term Memory", Neural Computation 1997

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

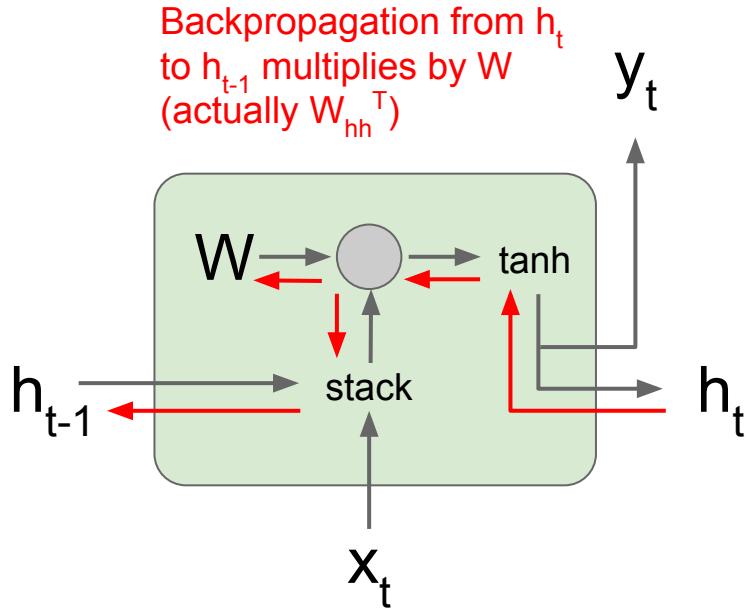
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$$\begin{aligned} h_t &= \tanh(W_{hh}h_{t-1} + W_{xh}x_t) \\ &= \tanh \left( \begin{pmatrix} W_{hh} & W_{hx} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix} \right) \\ &= \tanh \left( W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix} \right) \end{aligned}$$

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

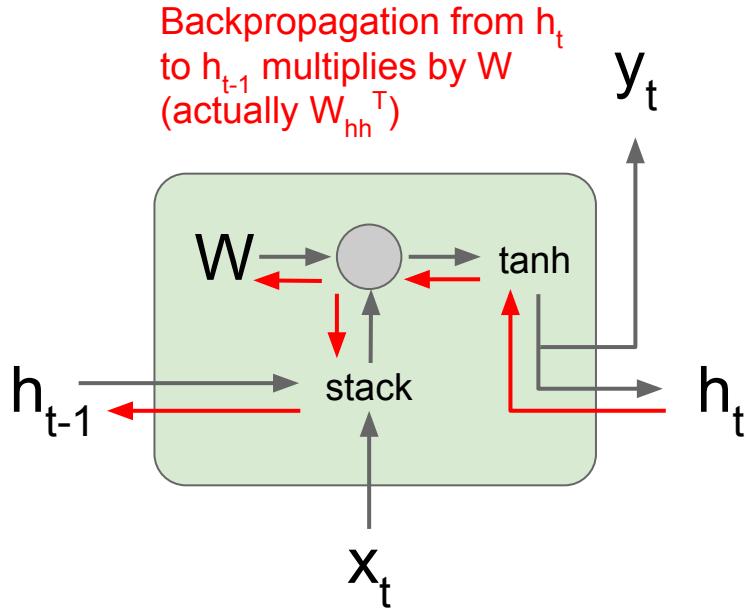
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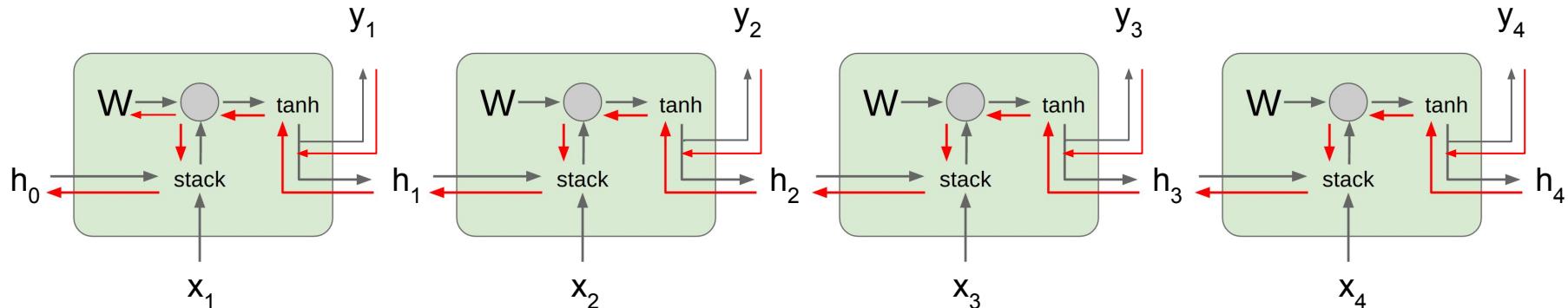


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$$\frac{\partial h_t}{\partial h_{t-1}} = \tanh'(W_{hh}h_{t-1} + W_{xh}x_t)W_{hh}$$

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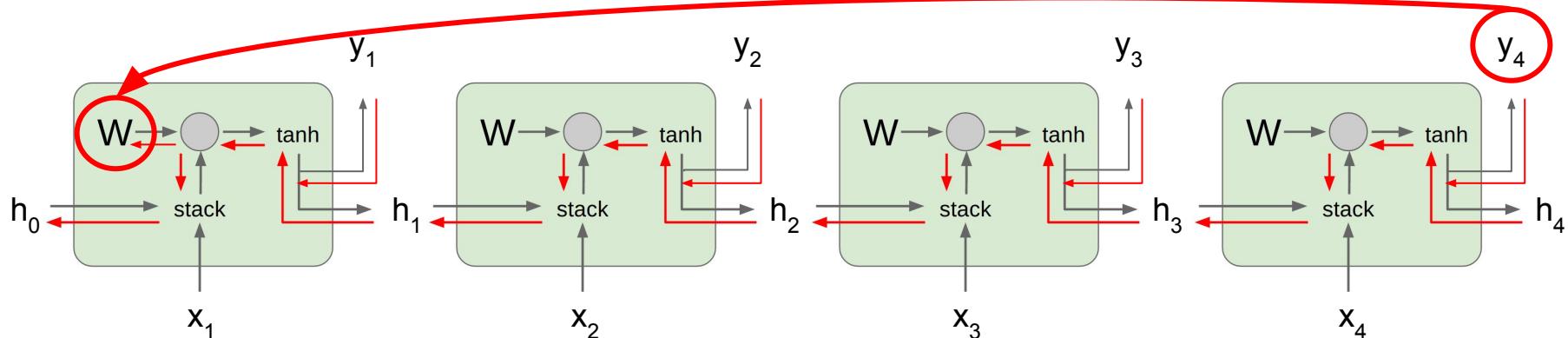


$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{\partial L_t}{\partial W}$$

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

Gradients over multiple time steps:

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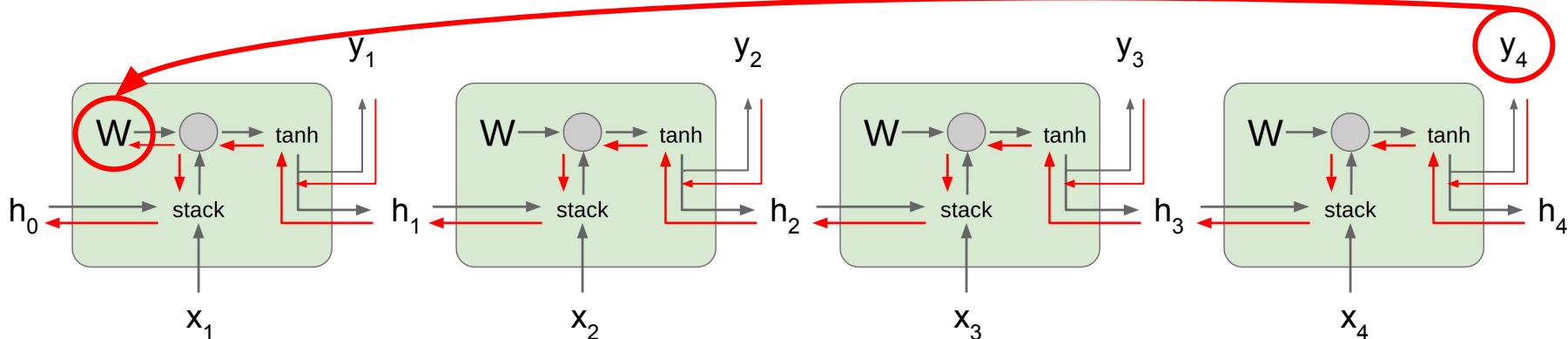
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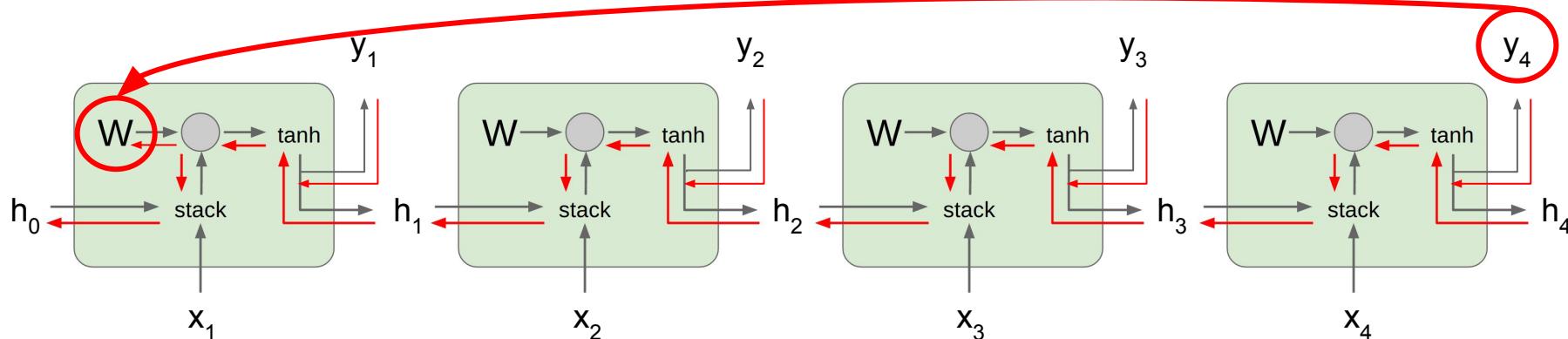
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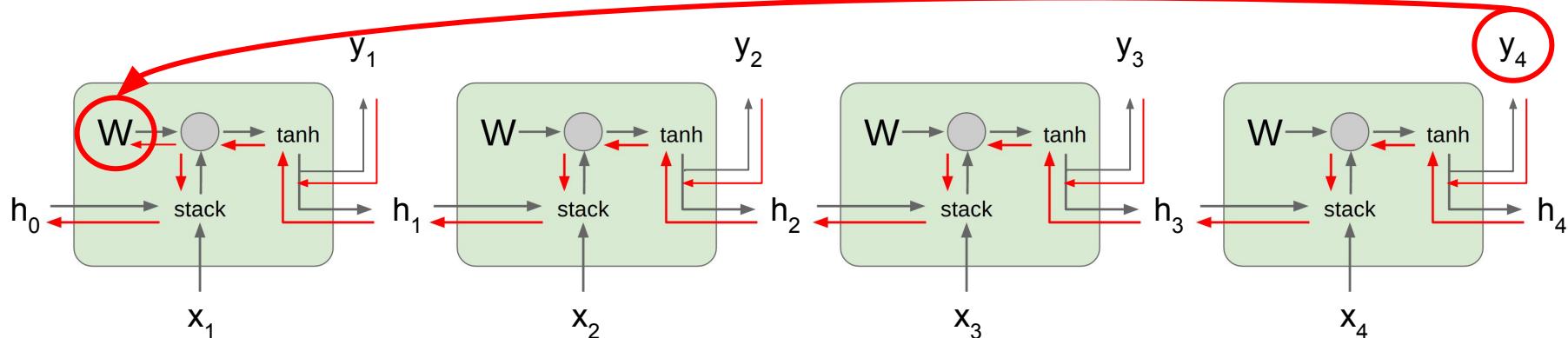
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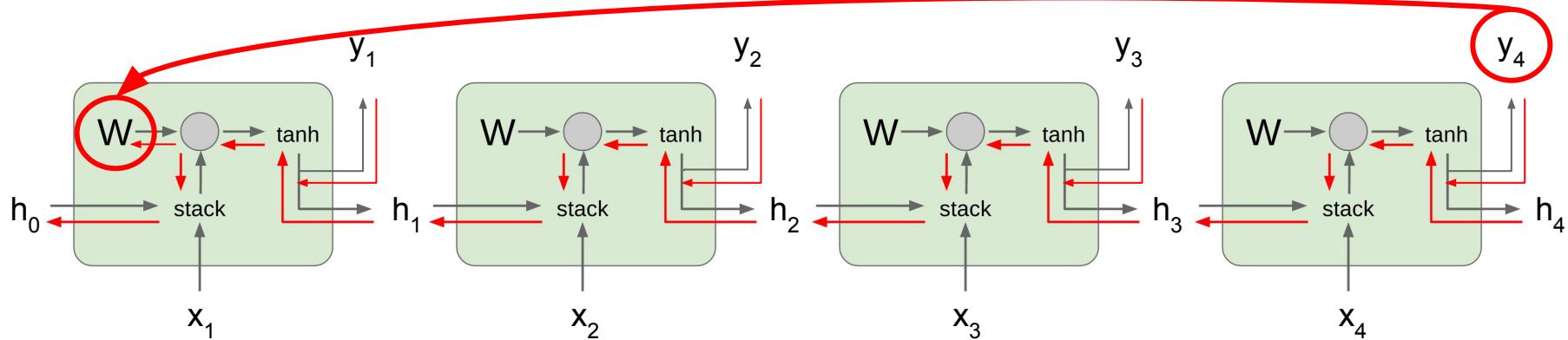
Almost always  $< 1$   
**Vanishing gradients**

$$\frac{\partial L_T}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L_T}{\partial h_T} \left( \prod_{t=2}^T \boxed{\tanh'(W_{hh}h_{t-1} + W_{xh}x_t)} \right) W_{hh}^{T-1} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial W}$$

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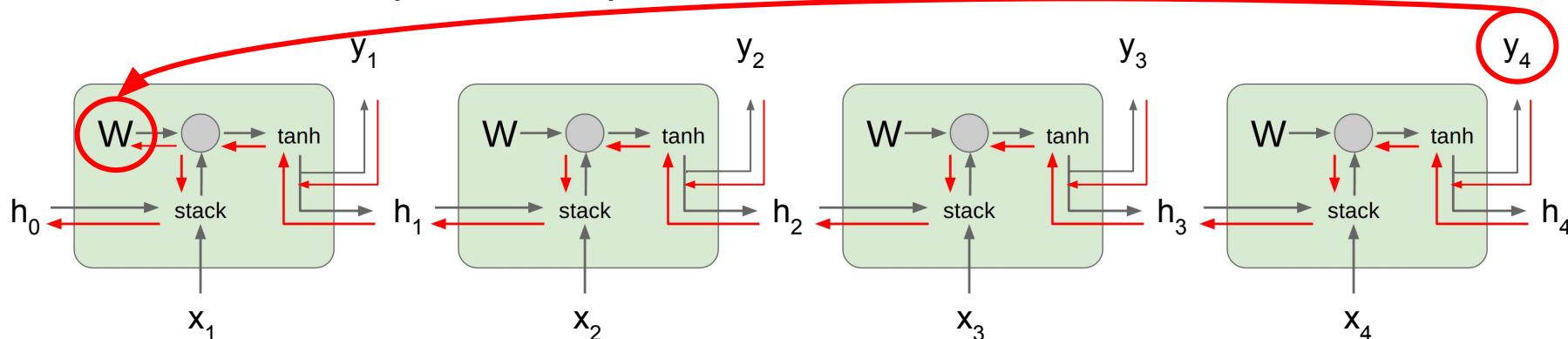


$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{\partial L_t}{\partial W} \quad \text{What if we assumed no non-linearity?}$$

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

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What if we assumed no non-linearity?

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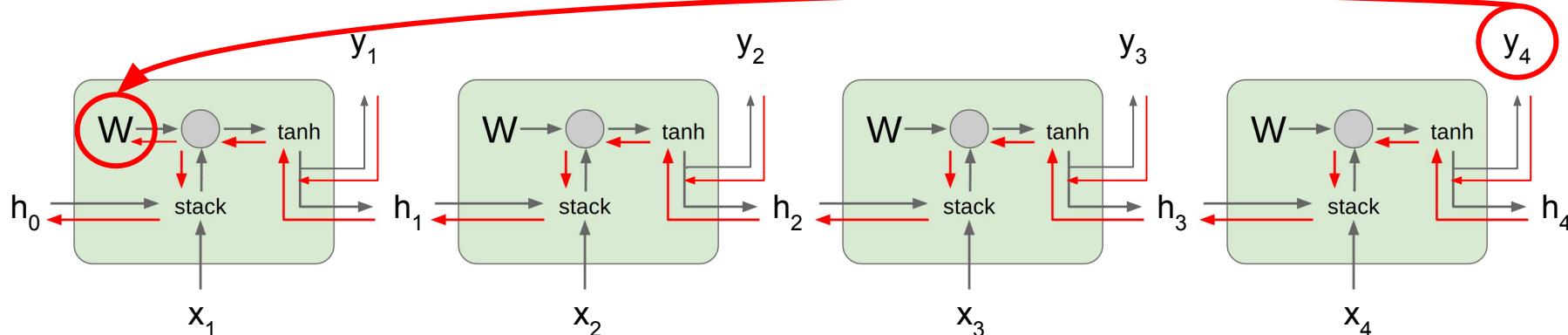
Largest singular value  $> 1$ :  
**Exploding gradients**

$$\frac{\partial L_T}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L_T}{\partial h_T} \boxed{W_{hh}^{T-1}} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial W}$$

Largest singular value  $< 1$ :  
**Vanishing gradients**

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

Gradients over multiple time steps:



What if we assumed no non-linearity?

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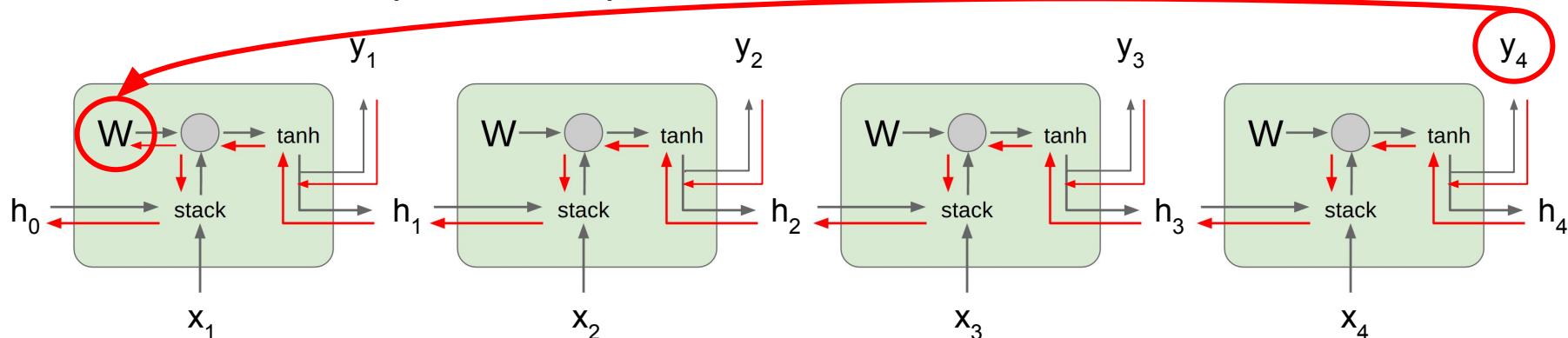
→ **Gradient clipping:**  
Scale gradient if its norm is too big

```
grad_norm = np.sum(grad * grad)
if grad_norm > threshold:
    grad *= (threshold / grad_norm)
```

# Vanilla RNN Gradient Flow

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Largest singular value  $< 1$ :  
**Vanishing gradients**

→ Change RNN architecture

# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

## Vanilla RNN

$$h_t = \tanh \left( W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

## LSTM

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \tanh \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_t = f \odot c_{t-1} + i \odot g$$

$$h_t = o \odot \tanh(c_t)$$

Hochreiter and Schmidhuber, "Long Short Term Memory", Neural Computation 1997

# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

## Vanilla RNN

$$h_t = \tanh \left( W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

## LSTM

Four gates

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \tanh \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

Cell state

Hidden state

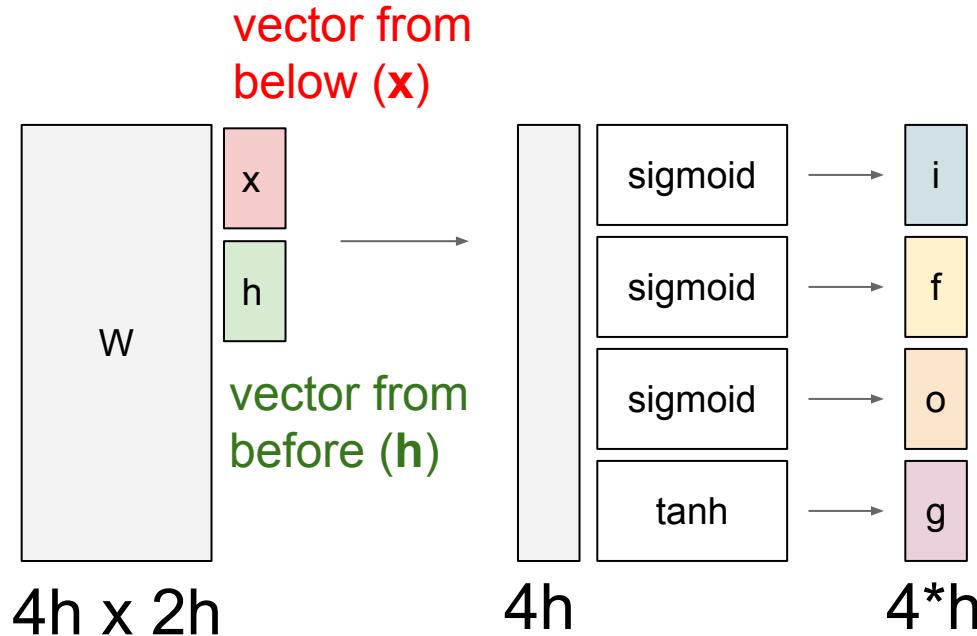
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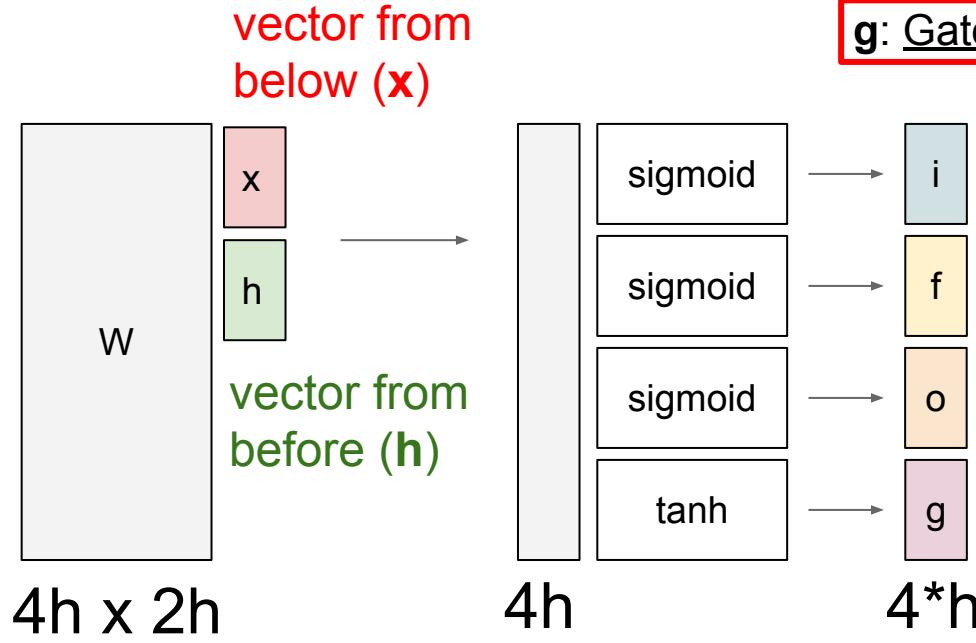
# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]



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**g: Gate gate (?)**, How much to write to cell

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \text{tanh} \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

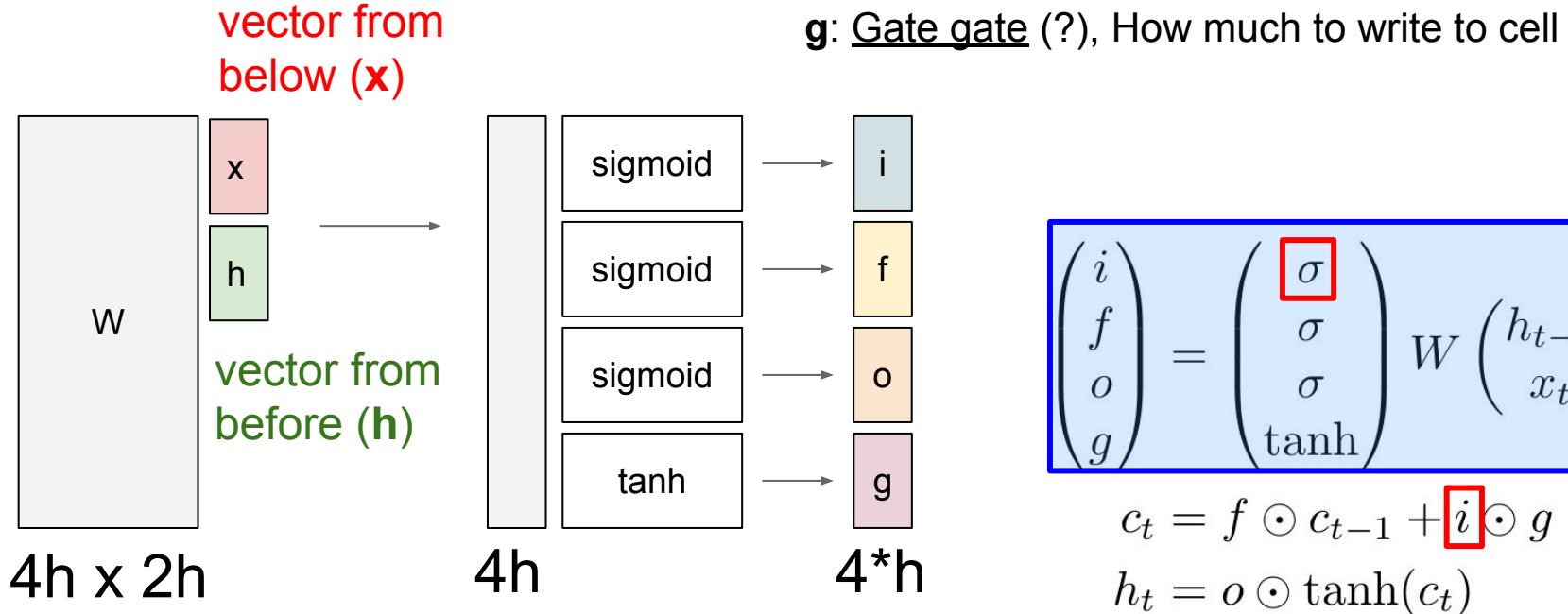
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# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]

i: Input gate, whether to write to cell



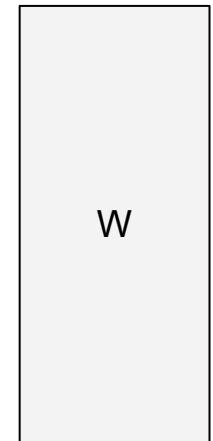
# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]

i: Input gate, whether to write to cell  
f: Forget gate, Whether to erase cell

g: Gate gate (?), How much to write to cell

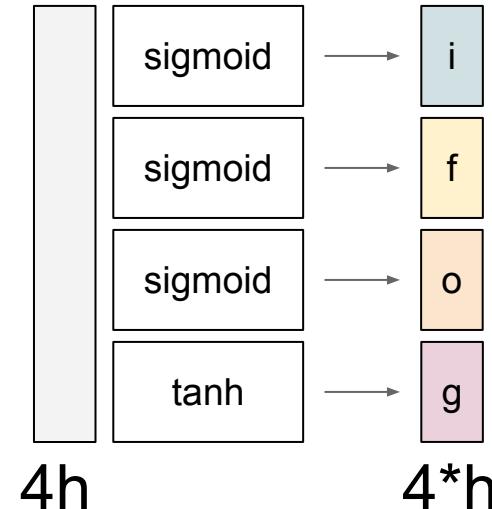
vector from  
below ( $x$ )



x

h

vector from  
before ( $h$ )



$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \tanh \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_t = f \odot c_{t-1} + i \odot g$$

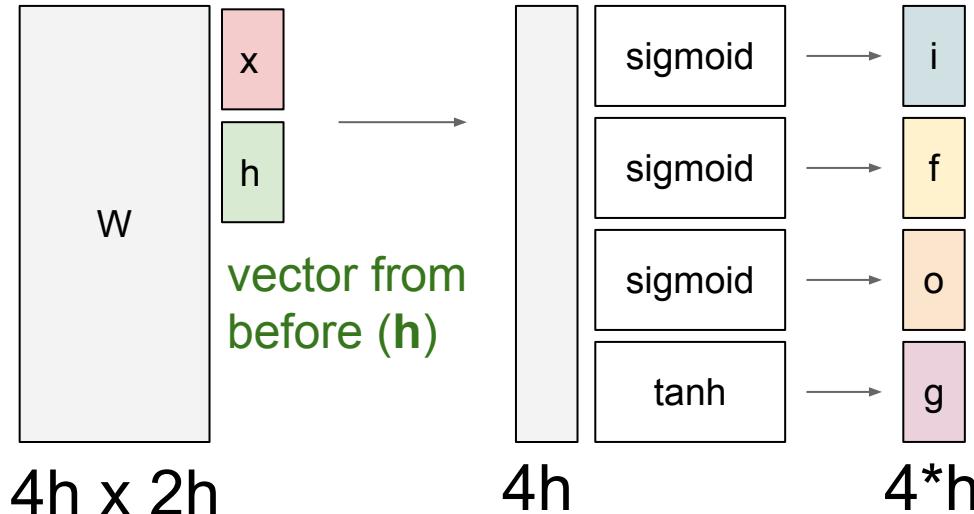
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# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM)

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]

- i: Input gate, whether to write to cell
- f: Forget gate. Whether to erase cell
- o: Output gate, How much to reveal cell**
- g: Gate gate (?), How much to write to cell

vector from  
below ( $x$ )



vector from  
before ( $h$ )

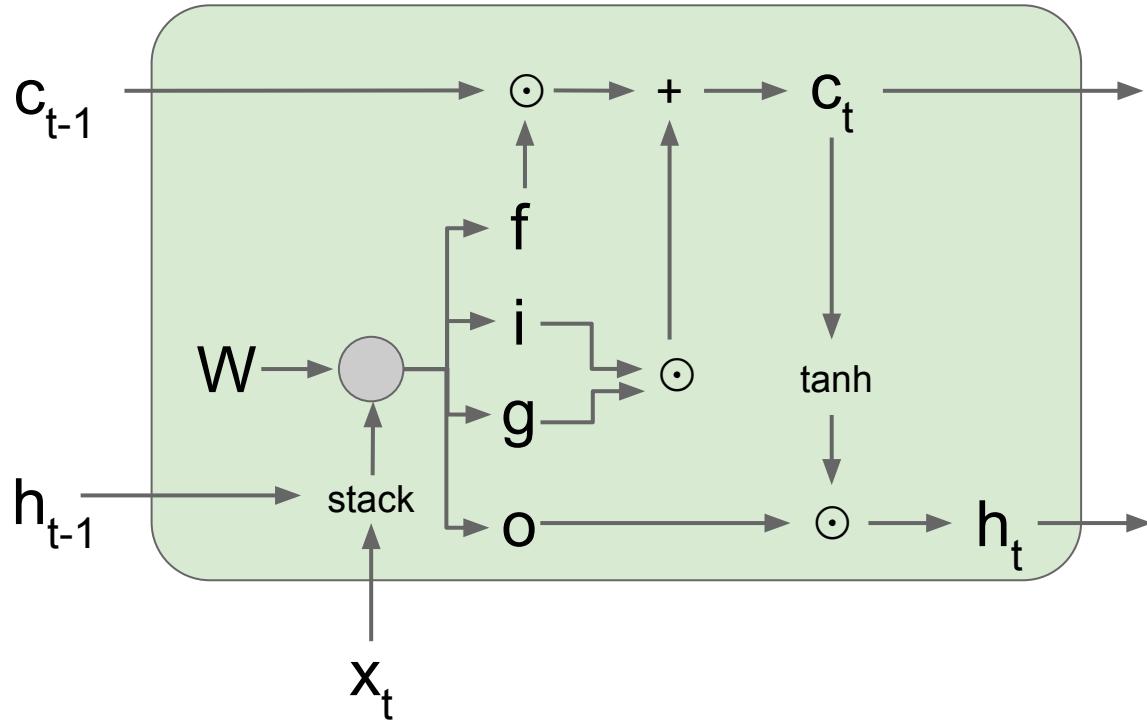
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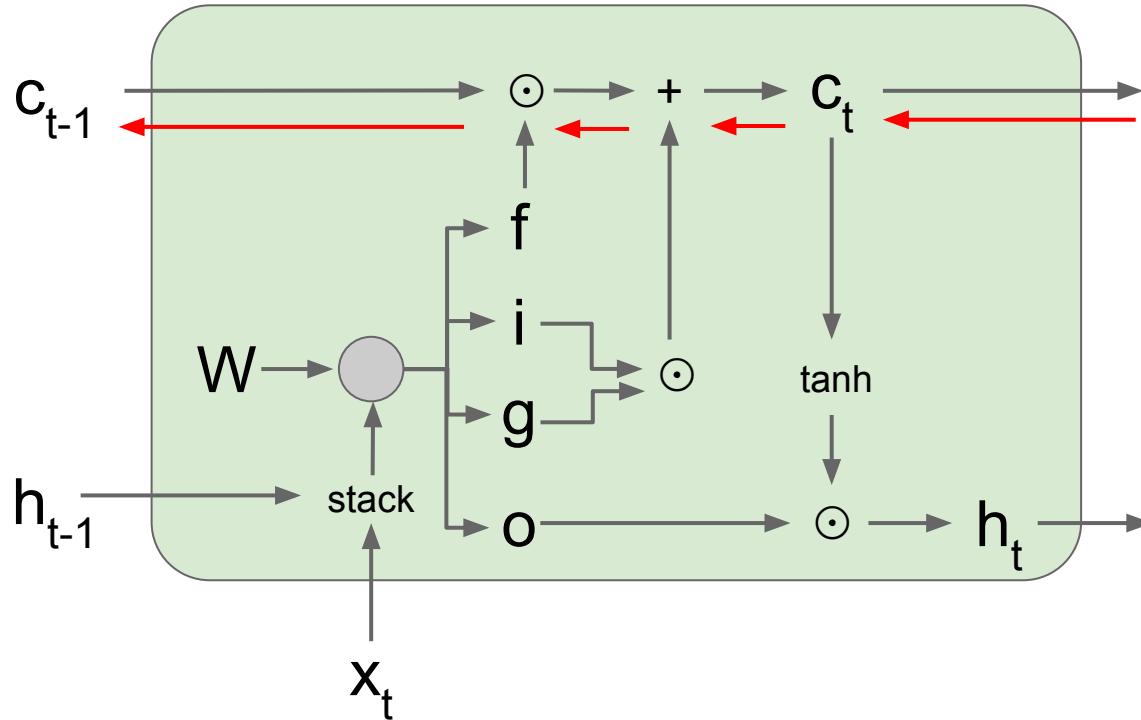
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# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM): Gradient Flow

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]



Backpropagation from  $c_t$  to  $c_{t-1}$  only elementwise multiplication by  $f$ , no matrix multiply by  $W$

$$\begin{pmatrix} i \\ f \\ o \\ g \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \tanh \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} h_{t-1} \\ x_t \end{pmatrix}$$

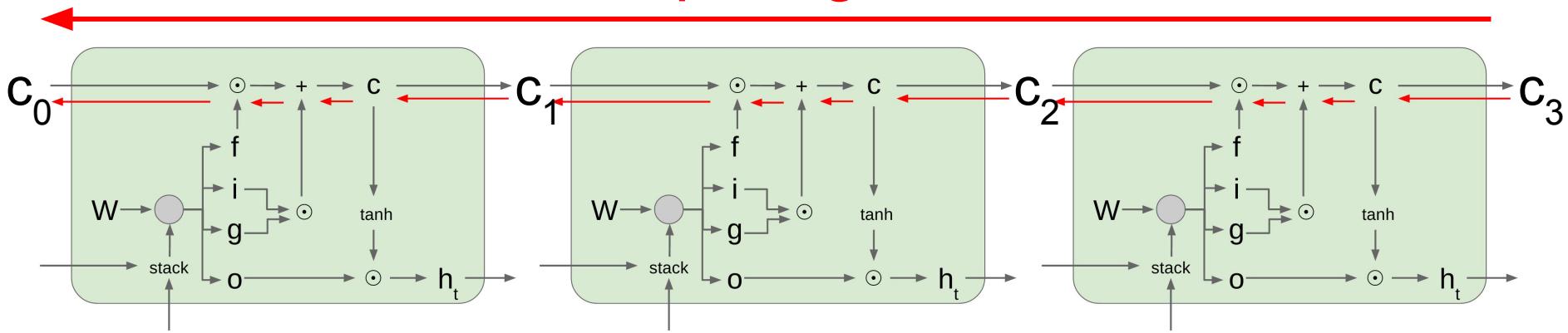
$$c_t = f \odot c_{t-1} + i \odot g$$

$$h_t = o \odot \tanh(c_t)$$

# Long Short Term Memory (LSTM): Gradient Flow

[Hochreiter et al., 1997]

Uninterrupted gradient flow!



# Do LSTMs solve the vanishing gradient problem?

The LSTM architecture makes it easier for the RNN to preserve information over many timesteps

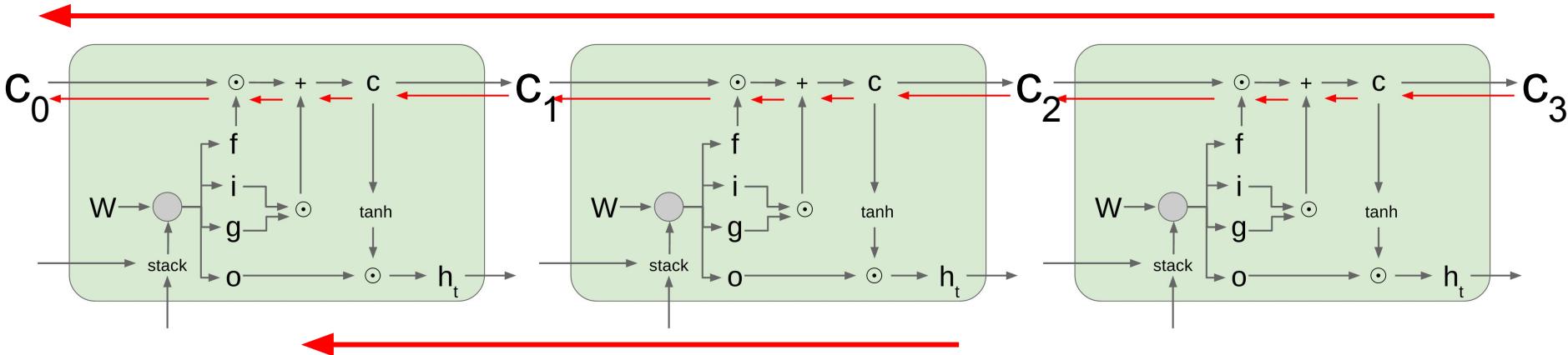
- e.g. **if the  $f = 1$  and the  $i = 0$** , then the information of that cell is preserved indefinitely.
- By contrast, it's harder for vanilla RNN to learn a recurrent weight matrix  $W_h$  that preserves info in hidden state

LSTM **doesn't guarantee** that there is no vanishing/exploding gradient, but it does provide an easier way for the model to learn long-distance dependencies

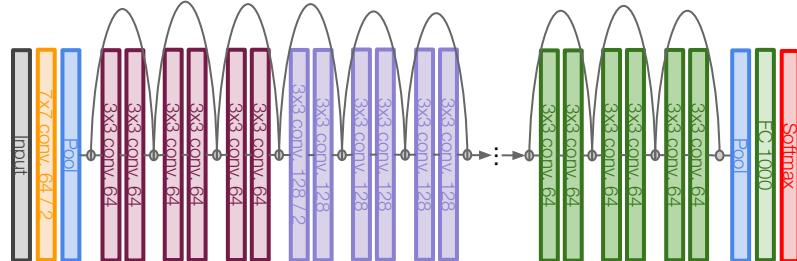
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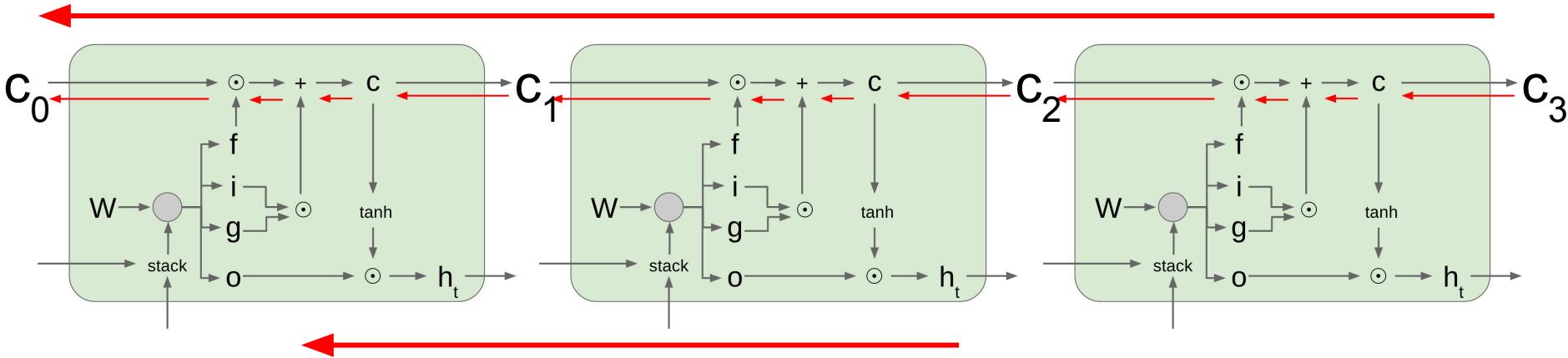
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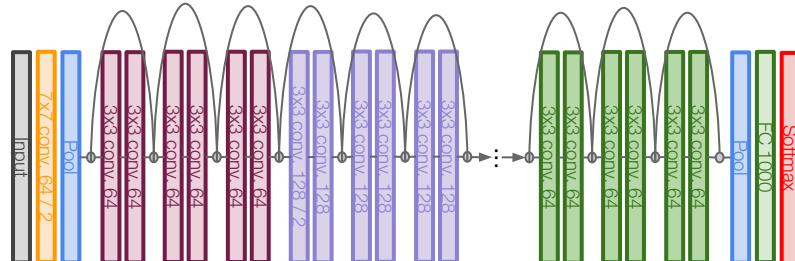
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In between:  
**Highway Networks**

$$g = T(x, W_T)$$

$$y = g \odot H(x, W_H) + (1 - g) \odot x$$

Srivastava et al, "Highway Networks",  
ICML DL Workshop 2015

# Other RNN Variants

**GRU** [*Learning phrase representations using rnn encoder-decoder for statistical machine translation*, Cho et al. 2014]

$$r_t = \sigma(W_{xr}x_t + W_{hr}h_{t-1} + b_r)$$

$$z_t = \sigma(W_{xz}x_t + W_{hz}h_{t-1} + b_z)$$

$$\tilde{h}_t = \tanh(W_{xh}x_t + W_{hh}(r_t \odot h_{t-1}) + b_h)$$

$$h_t = z_t \odot h_{t-1} + (1 - z_t) \odot \tilde{h}_t$$

[*LSTM: A Search Space Odyssey*, Greff et al., 2015]

[*An Empirical Exploration of Recurrent Network Architectures*, Jozefowicz et al., 2015]

MUT1:

$$z = \text{sigm}(W_{xz}x_t + b_z)$$

$$r = \text{sigm}(W_{xr}x_t + W_{hr}h_t + b_r)$$

$$h_{t+1} = \tanh(W_{hh}(r \odot h_t) + \tanh(x_t) + b_h) \odot z + h_t \odot (1 - z)$$

MUT2:

$$z = \text{sigm}(W_{xz}x_t + W_{hx}h_t + b_z)$$

$$r = \text{sigm}(x_t + W_{hr}h_t + b_r)$$

$$h_{t+1} = \tanh(W_{hh}(r \odot h_t) + W_{xh}x_t + b_h) \odot z + h_t \odot (1 - z)$$

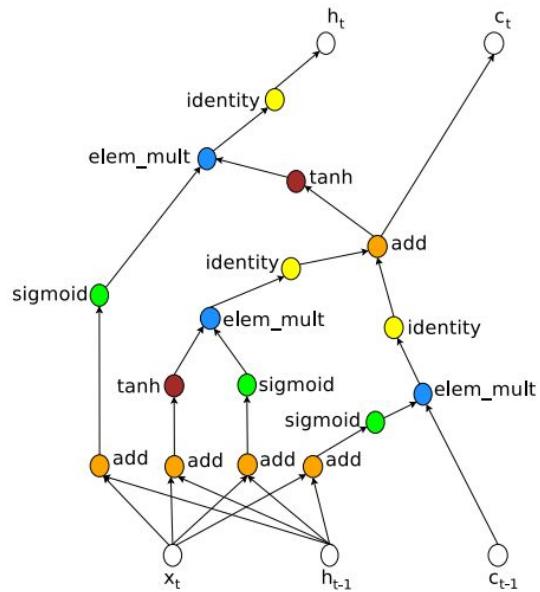
MUT3:

$$z = \text{sigm}(W_{xz}x_t + W_{hz}\tanh(h_t) + b_z)$$

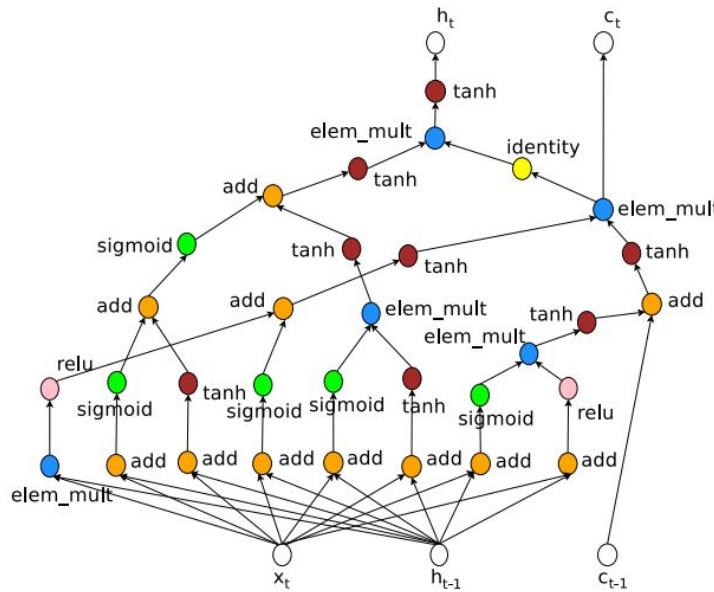
$$r = \text{sigm}(W_{xr}x_t + W_{hr}h_t + b_r)$$

$$h_{t+1} = \tanh(W_{hh}(r \odot h_t) + W_{xh}x_t + b_h) \odot z + h_t \odot (1 - z)$$

# Neural Architecture Search for RNN architectures



LSTM cell



Cell they found

Zoph et Le, "Neural Architecture Search with Reinforcement Learning", ICLR 2017  
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# Summary

- RNNs allow a lot of flexibility in architecture design
- Vanilla RNNs are simple but don't work very well
- Common to use LSTM or GRU: their additive interactions improve gradient flow
- Backward flow of gradients in RNN can explode or vanish. Exploding is controlled with gradient clipping. Vanishing is controlled with additive interactions (LSTM)
- Better/simpler architectures are a hot topic of current research, as well as new paradigms for reasoning over sequences
- Better understanding (both theoretical and empirical) is needed.

# Next time: Attention and Transformers