Introduction to Big Data Science

12-3 Period Understanding Long-Short Term Memory (LSTM) Networks

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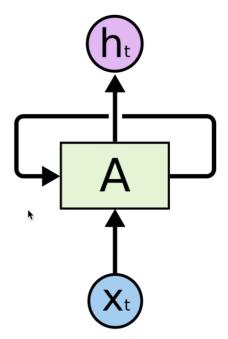
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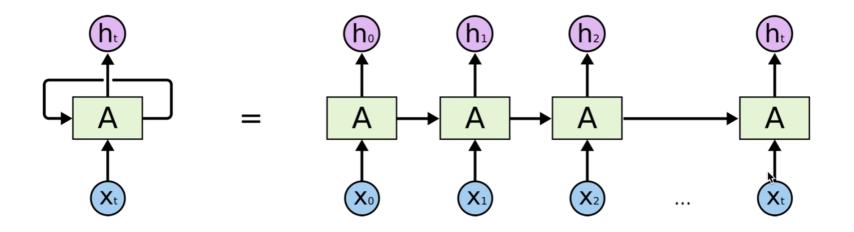
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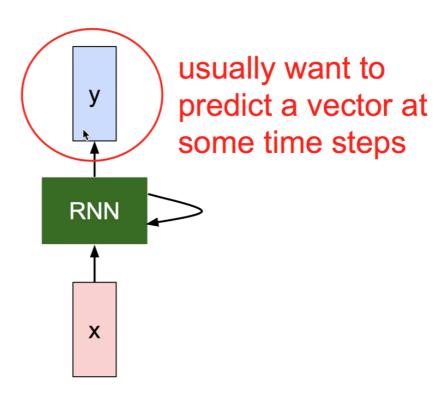
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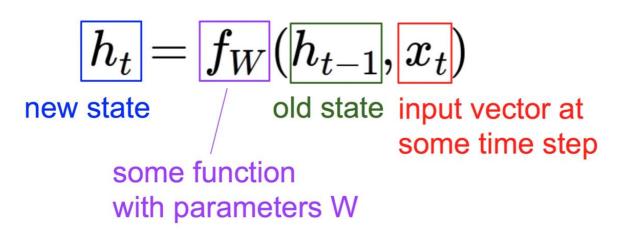


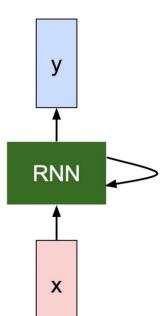
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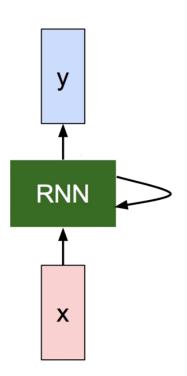
We can process a sequence of vectors **x** by applying a recurrence formula at every time step:





(Vanilla) Recurrent Neural Network

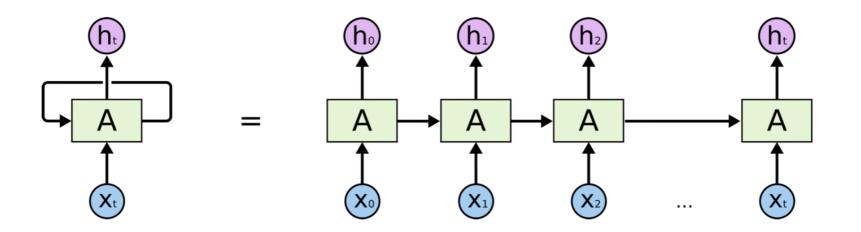
The state consists of a single "hidden" vector h:



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

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

$$y_t = W_{hy} h_t$$

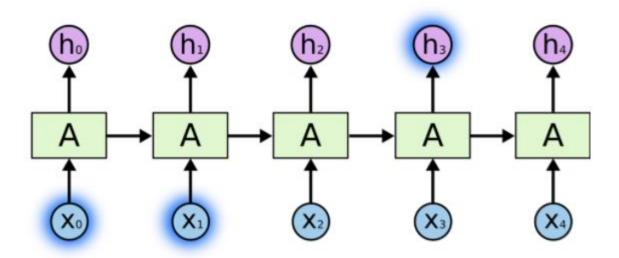


Notice: the same function and the same set of parameters are used at every time step.

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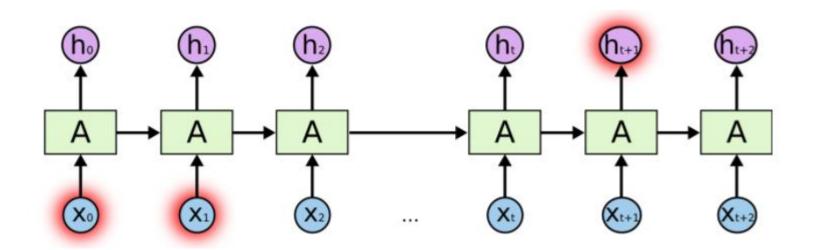
Problem of Long Term Dependencies

- ◆ If we are trying to predict the last word in "the clouds are in the sky," we don't need any further context – it's pretty obvious the next word is going to be sky.
- ◆ In such cases, where the gap between the relevant information and the place that it's needed is small, RNNs can learn to use the past information.



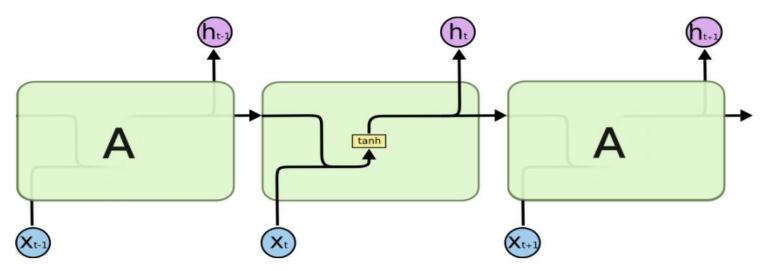
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- ◆ An example: To predict the last word in the text "I grew up in France... I speak fluent French." Recent information suggests that the next word is probably the name of a language, but if we want to narrow down which language, we need the context of France, from further back.
- ◆ It's entirely possible for the gap between the relevant information and the point where it is needed to become very large.
- Unfortunately, as that gap grows, RNNs become unable to learn to connect the information!



LSTM Network

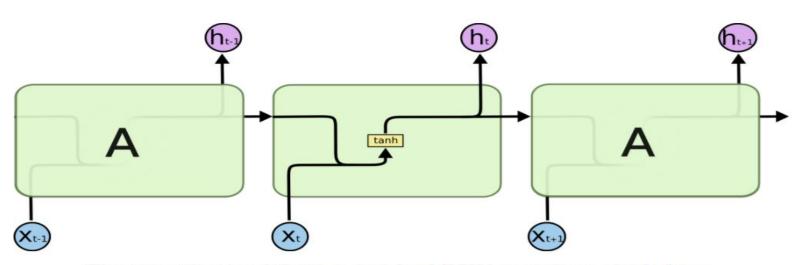
◆ Long Short Term Memory networks – usually just called "LSTMs" – are a special kind of RNN, capable of learning long-term dependencies. They were introduced by Hochreiter & Schmidhuber (1997), and were refined and popularized by many people in following work.1 They work tremendously well on a large variety of problems, and are now widely used.



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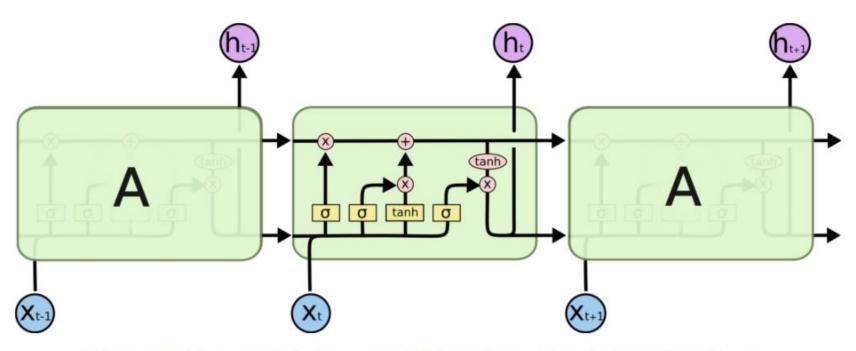
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- ◆ LSTMs are explicitly designed to avoid the long-term dependency problem. Remembering information for long periods of time is practically their default behavior, not something they struggle to learn!
- ◆ All recurrent neural networks have the form of a chain of repeating modules of neural network. In standard RNNs, this repeating module will have a very simple structure, such as a single tanh layer.

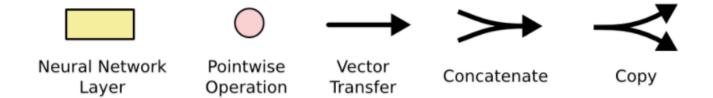


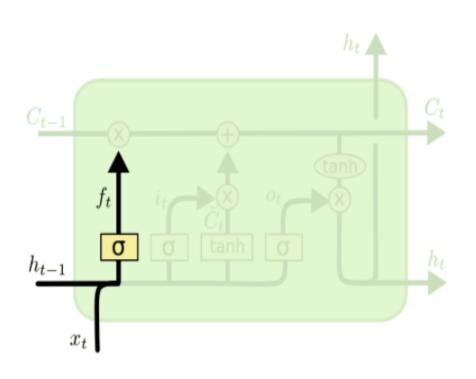
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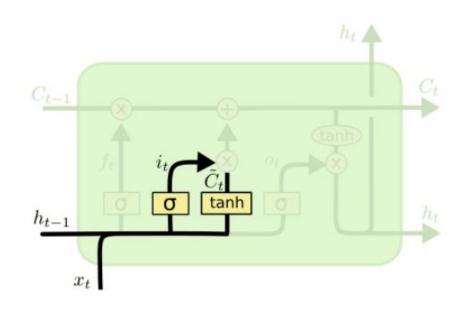


The repeating module in an LSTM contains four interacting layers.



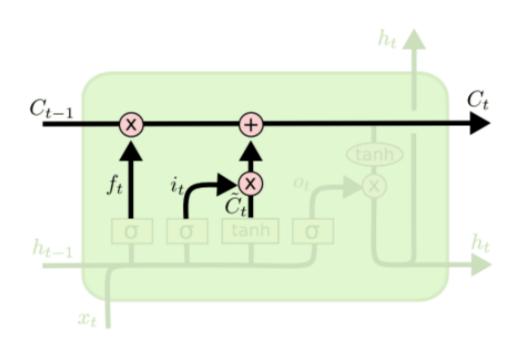


$$f_t = \sigma\left(W_f \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_f\right)$$

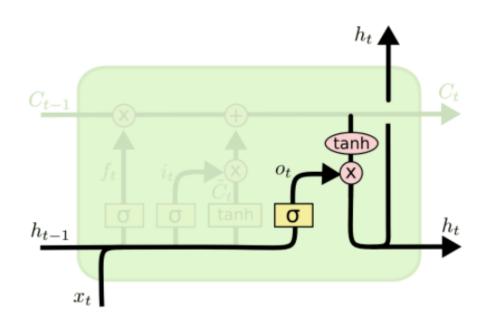


$$i_t = \sigma \left(W_i \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_i \right)$$

$$\tilde{C}_t = \tanh(W_C \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_C)$$

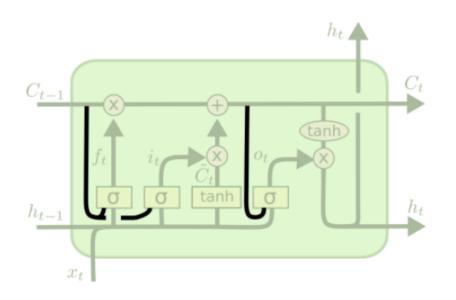


$$C_t = f_t * C_{t-1} + i_t * \tilde{C}_t$$



$$o_t = \sigma (W_o [h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_o)$$
$$h_t = o_t * \tanh (C_t)$$

Variants on LSTM

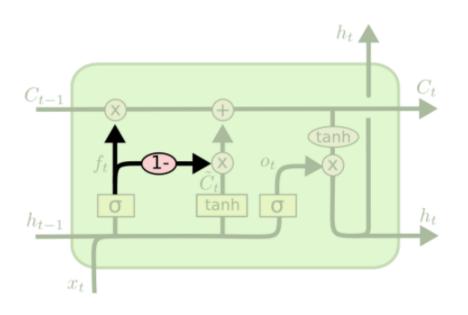


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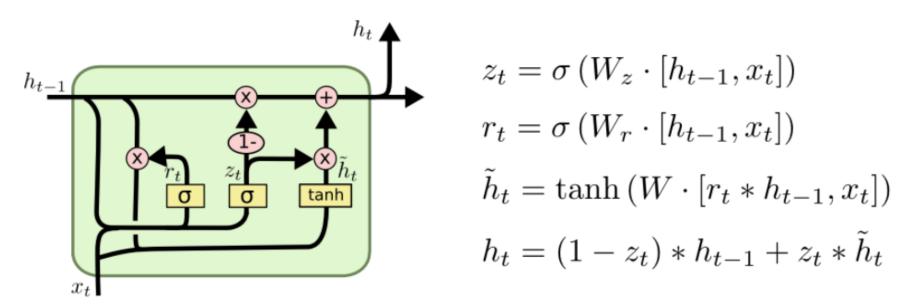
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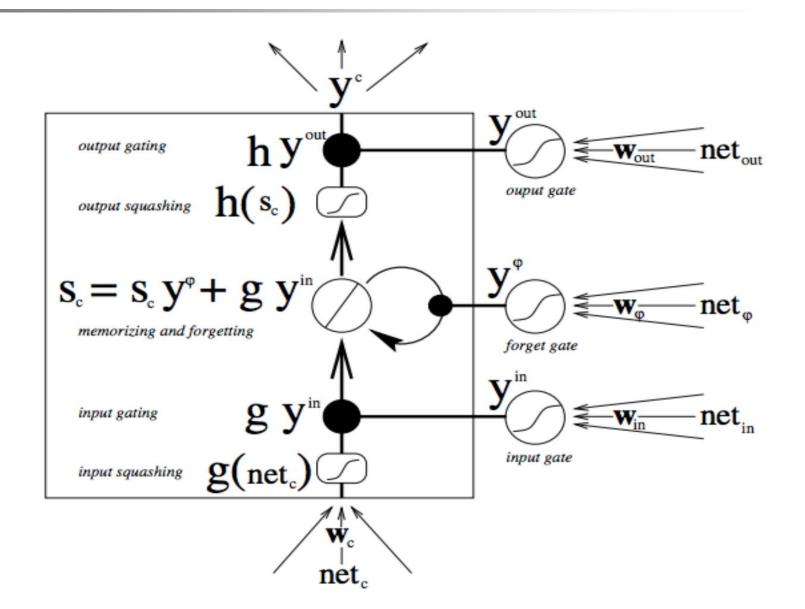
$$C_t = f_t * C_{t-1} + (1 - f_t) * \tilde{C}_t$$

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◆A slightly more dramatic variation on the LSTM is the Gated Recurrent Unit, or GRU, introduced by Cho, et al. (2014).



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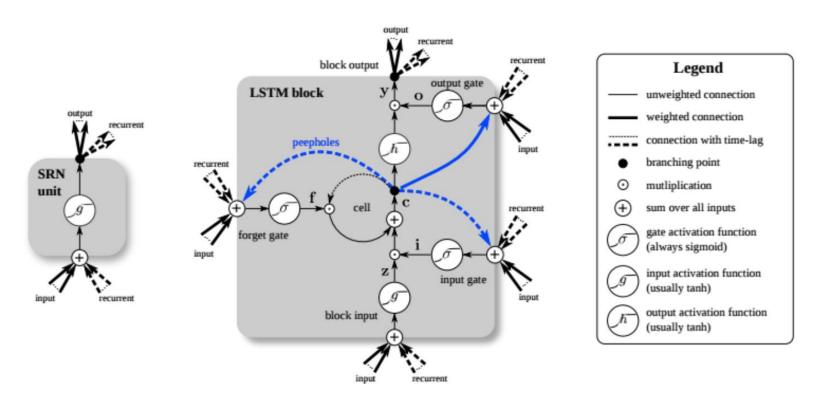


Figure 1. Detailed schematic of the Simple Recurrent Network (SRN) unit (left) and a Long Short-Term Memory block (right) as used in the hidden layers of a recurrent neural network.

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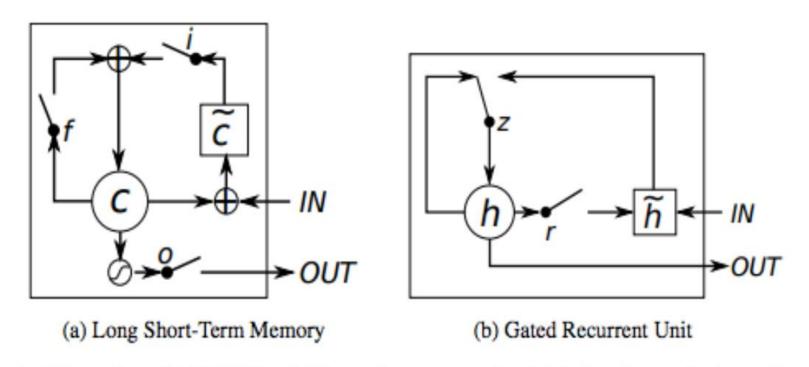


Figure 1: Illustration of (a) LSTM and (b) gated recurrent units. (a) i, f and o are the input, forget and output gates, respectively. c and \tilde{c} denote the memory cell and the new memory cell content. (b) r and z are the reset and update gates, and h and \tilde{h} are the activation and the candidate activation.