

Figure 10.11: Computation of a typical bidirectional recurrent neural network, meant to learn to map input sequences  $\boldsymbol{x}$  to target sequences  $\boldsymbol{y}$ , with loss  $L^{(t)}$  at each step t. The  $\boldsymbol{h}$  recurrence propagates information forward in time (towards the right) while the  $\boldsymbol{g}$  recurrence propagates information backward in time (towards the left). Thus at each point t, the output units  $\boldsymbol{o}^{(t)}$  can benefit from a relevant summary of the past in its  $\boldsymbol{h}^{(t)}$  input and from a relevant summary of the future in its  $\boldsymbol{g}^{(t)}$  input.