

Machine Learning for Large-Scale Data Analysis and Decision Making (MATH80629A)

Fall 2021

Week #8 - Summary

Announcement

- **Next Class:** Project meeting (10-12 min each team)
- **Study plan:** due October 18, 2021
- **Homework 1:** due November 5, 2021

Today

- **Fourth Quiz** on Gradescope!
- Summary of Recurrent Neural networks and Convolutional neural networks
- Q&A
- Hands-on session



QUIZ TIME

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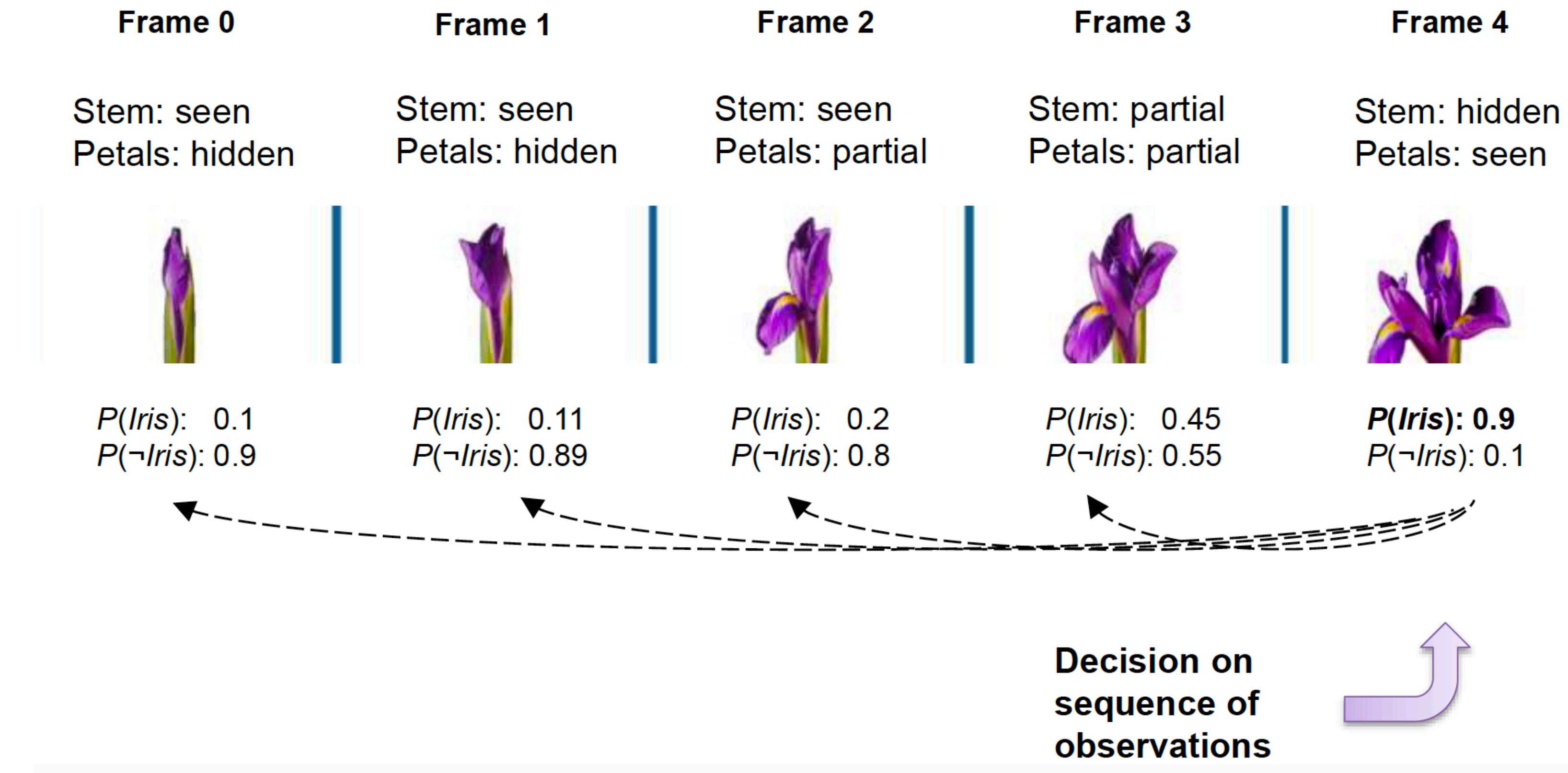
Quiz 3

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RNNs

Temporal dependencies

Analyzing temporal dependencies → Improved decisions



Sequential Data

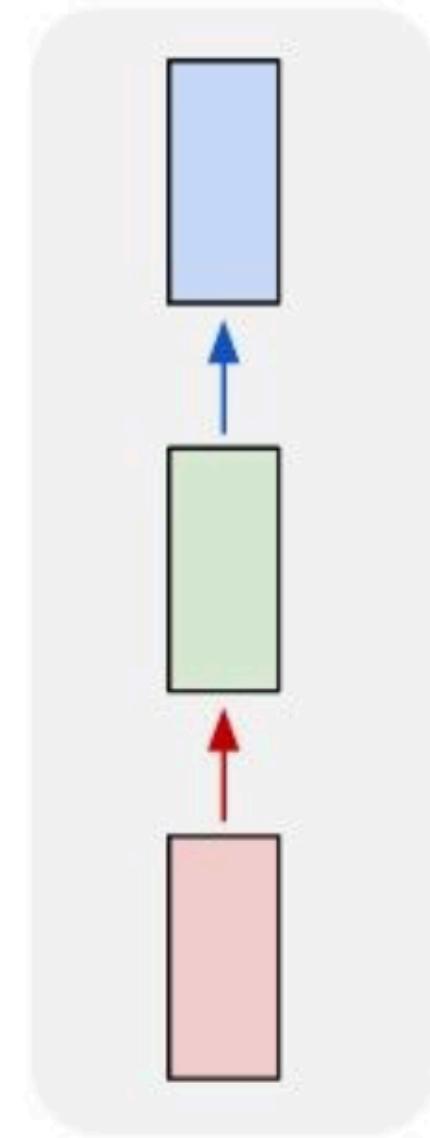
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 - Stock price prediction
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- Simple solution: Neural networks?
 - Fixed input/output size
 - Fixed number of steps

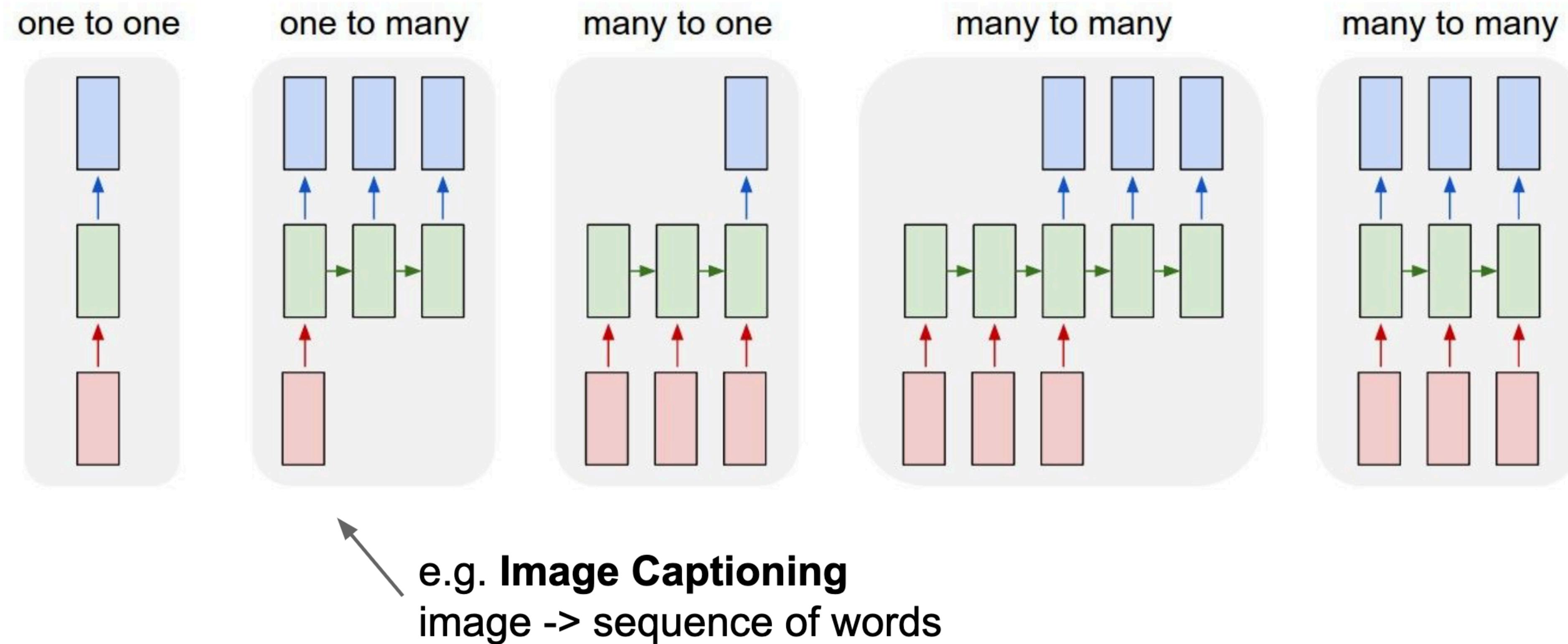
Neural Networks

one to one

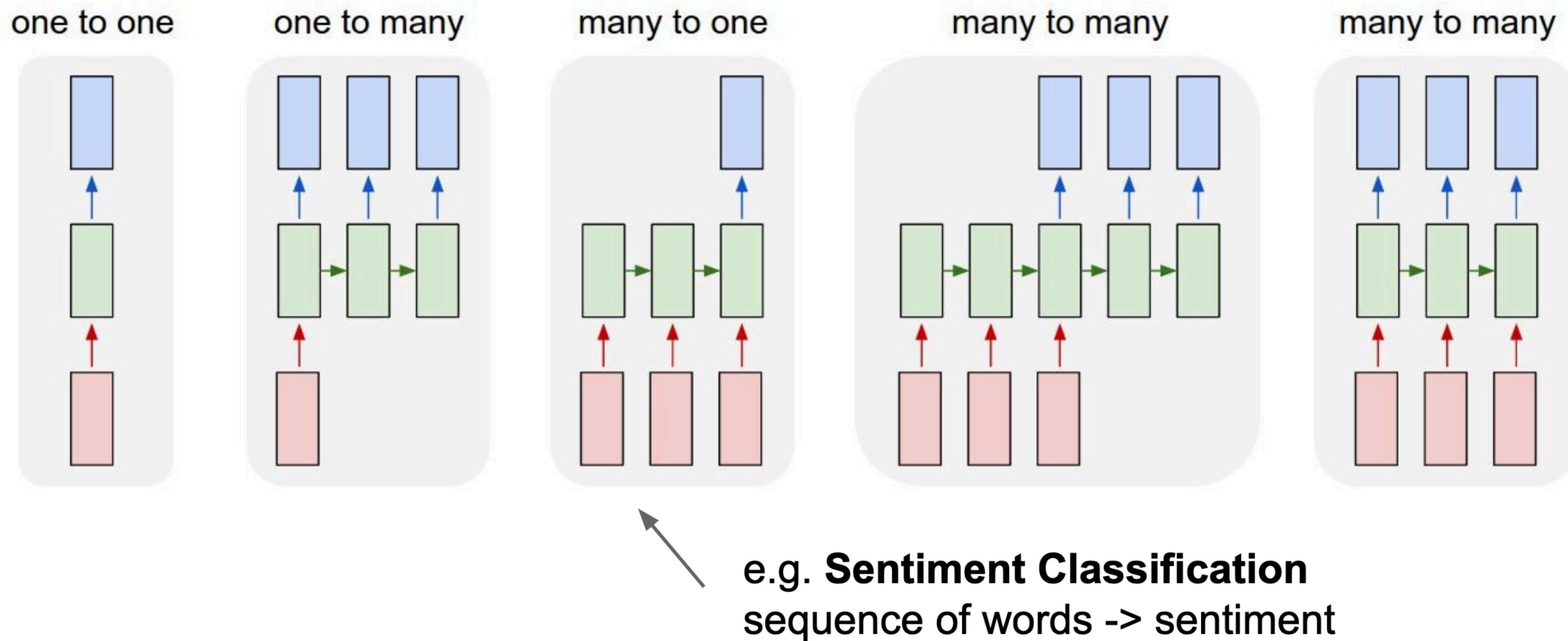


Vanilla Neural Networks

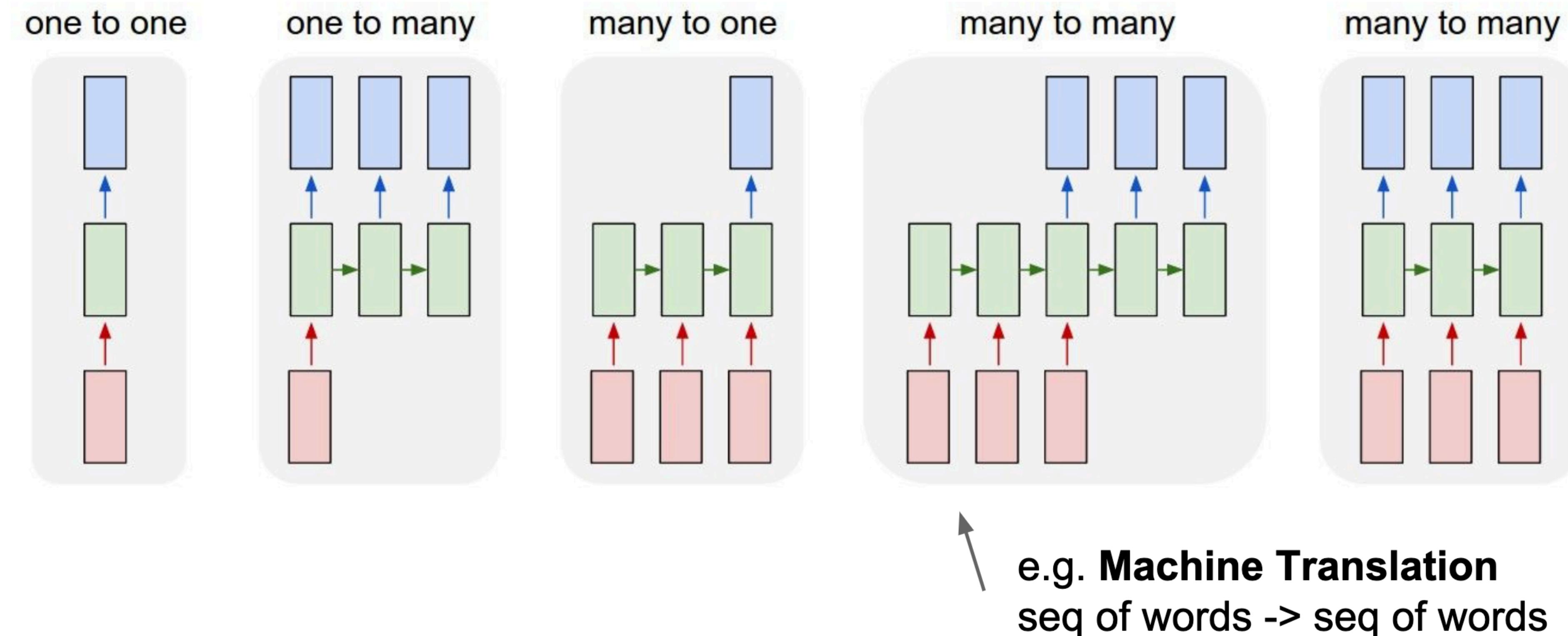
Recurrent Neural Networks



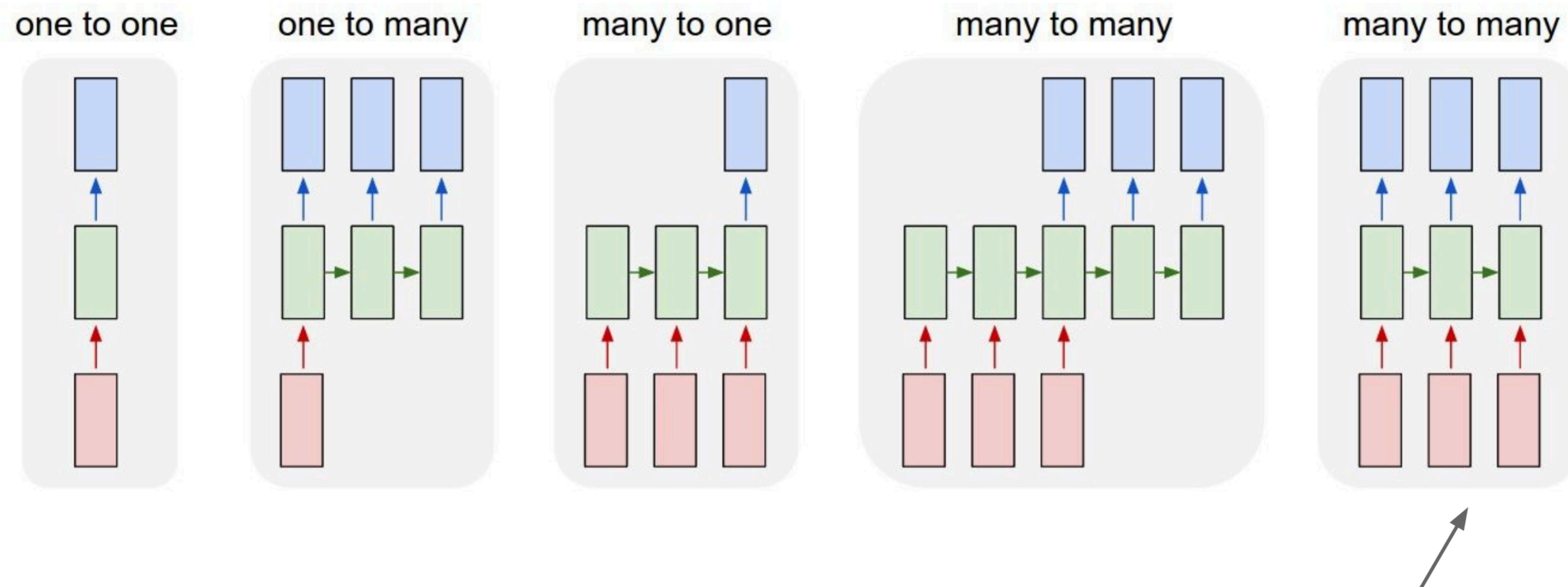
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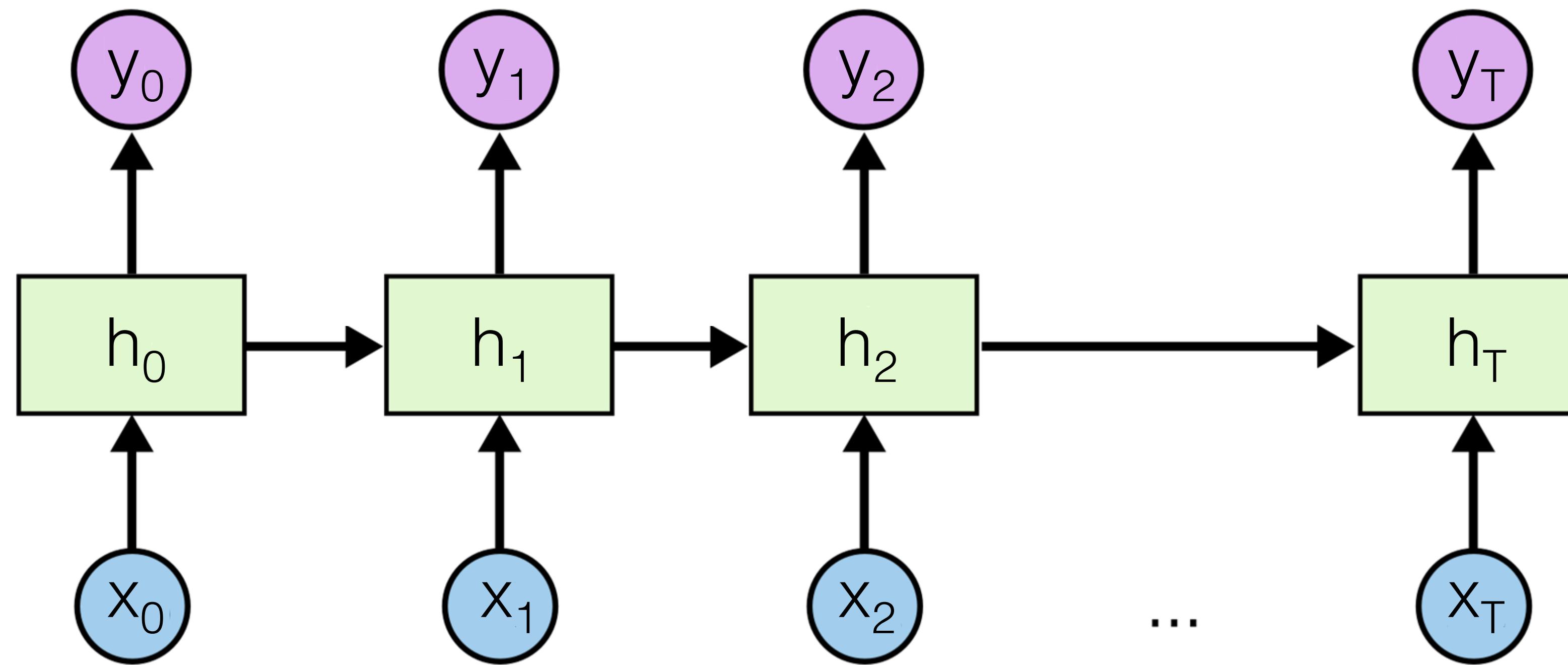


e.g. **Video classification on frame level**

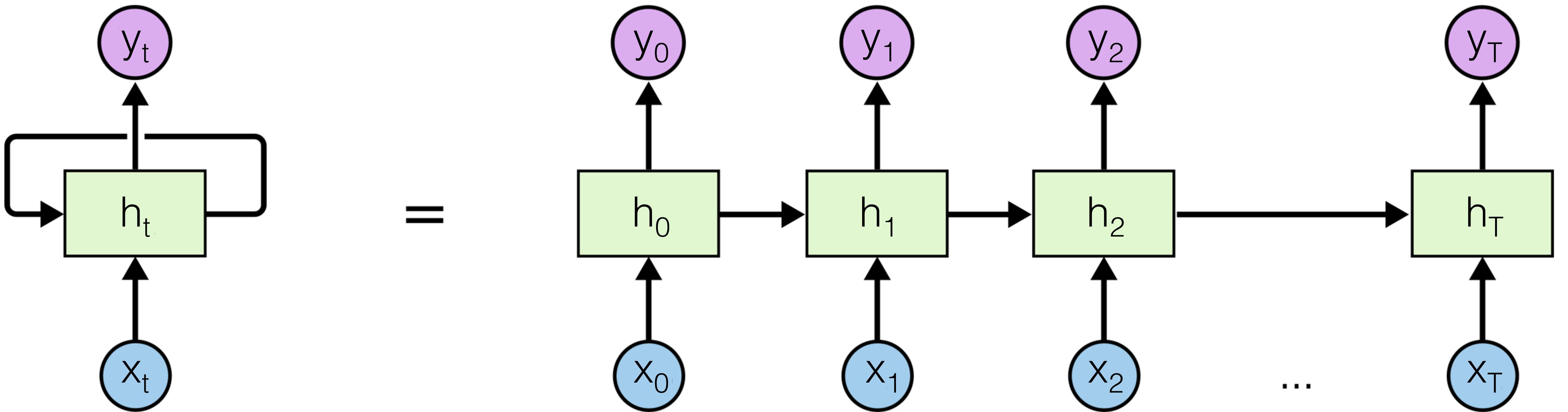
Basic idea

A many-to-many task

- x : inputs
- y : outputs
- h : hidden layers
- subscripts index time



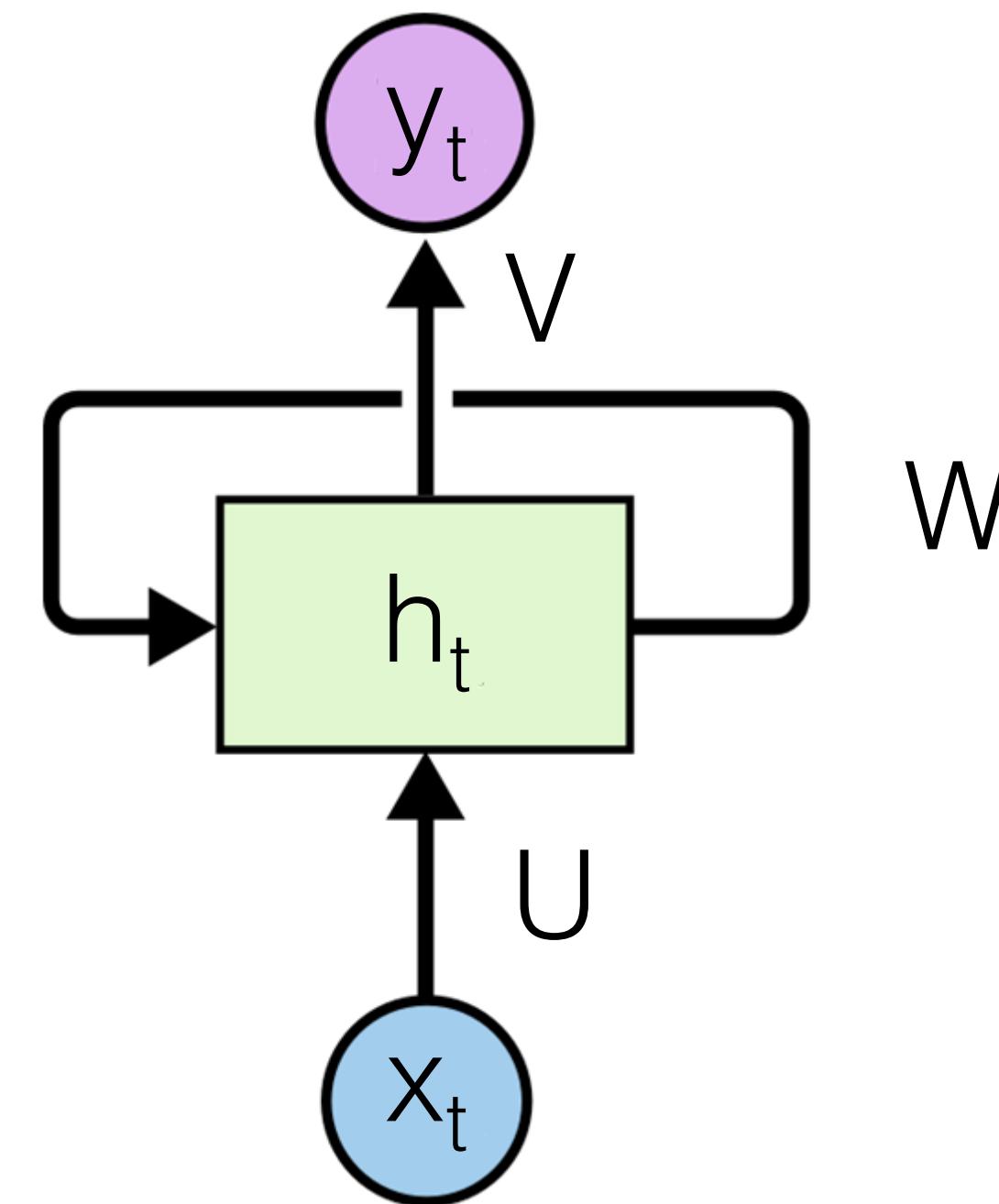
Unroll through time



Basic idea (with parameters)

Process through time (t)

- **U, V, W: parameters**
- **Shared through time**
- **Simplest parametrization**



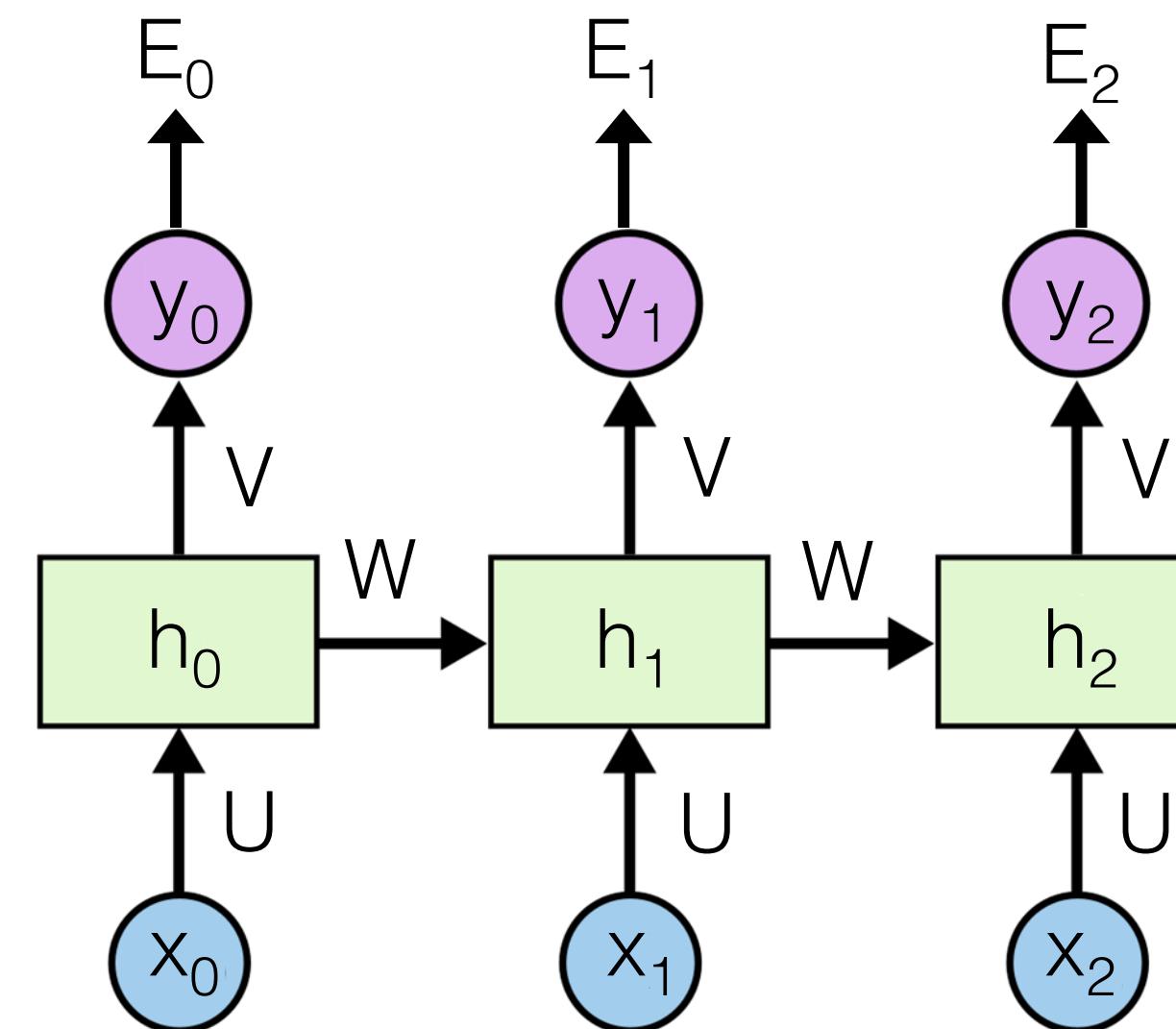
$$h_t = \tanh(Ux_t + Wh_{t-1})$$

$$y_t = f(Vh_t)$$

How does gradient flow in RNN?

Training RNNs

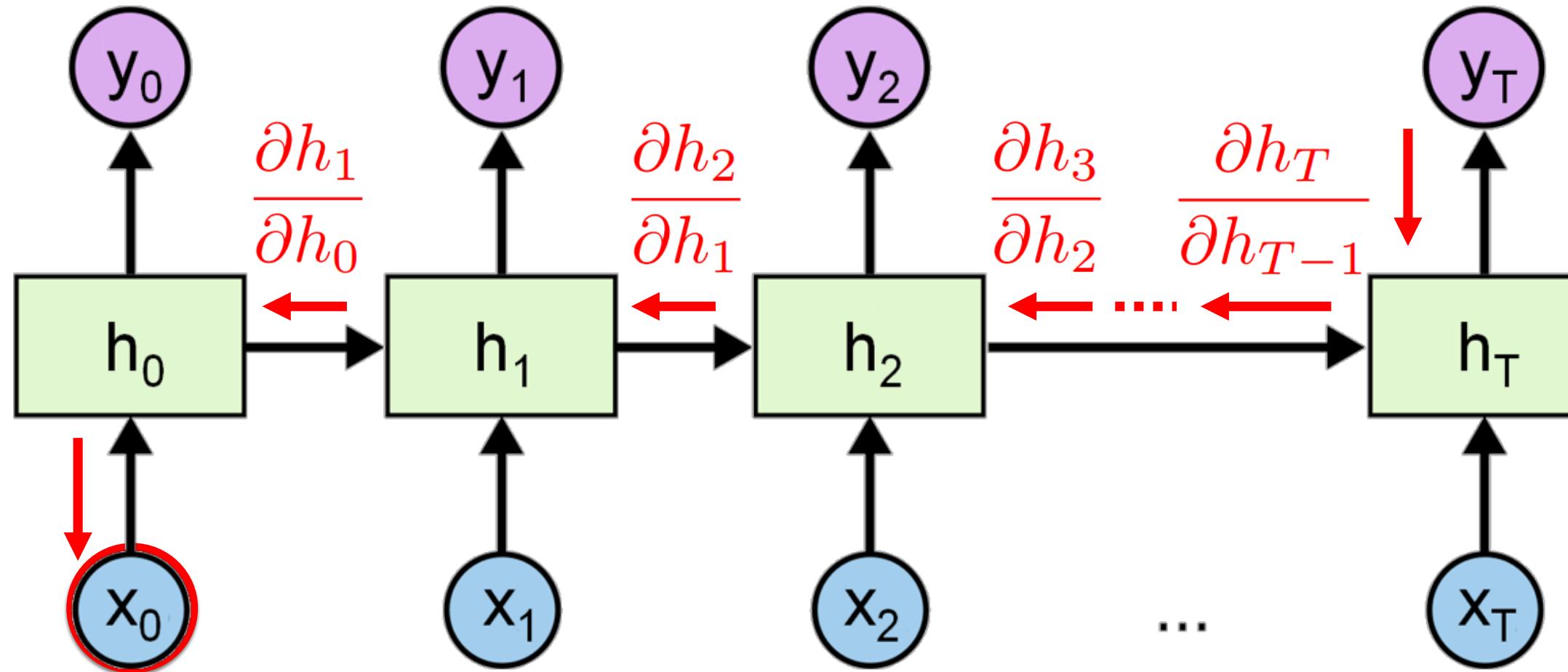
- Gradient descent from the loss $E = \sum_t (y_t - \hat{y}_t)^2$
- Following the structure the gradient is back propagated through time



RNN Gradient Flow

Bengio et al, "Learning long-term dependencies with gradient descent is difficult", IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks, 1994

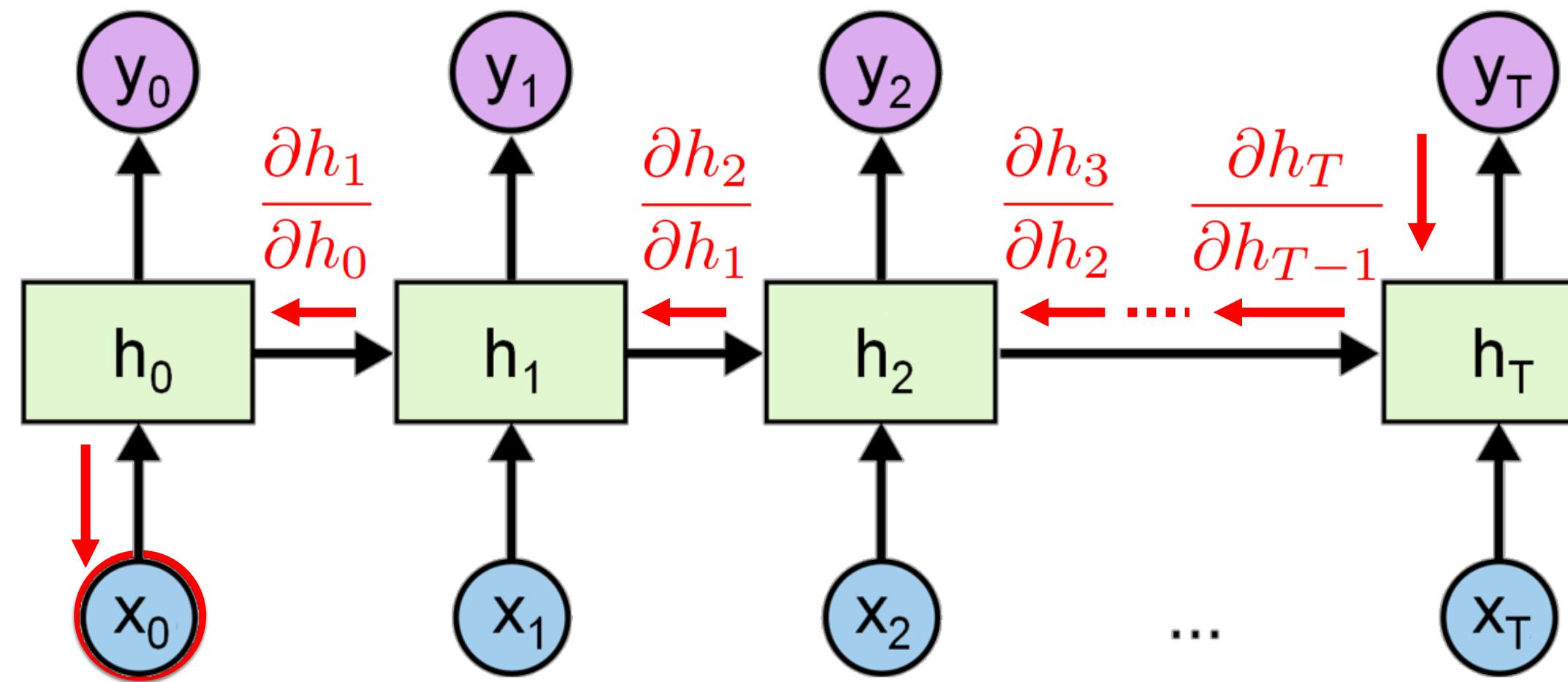
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Largest singular value > 1 :
Exploding gradients

Largest singular value < 1 :
Vanishing gradients

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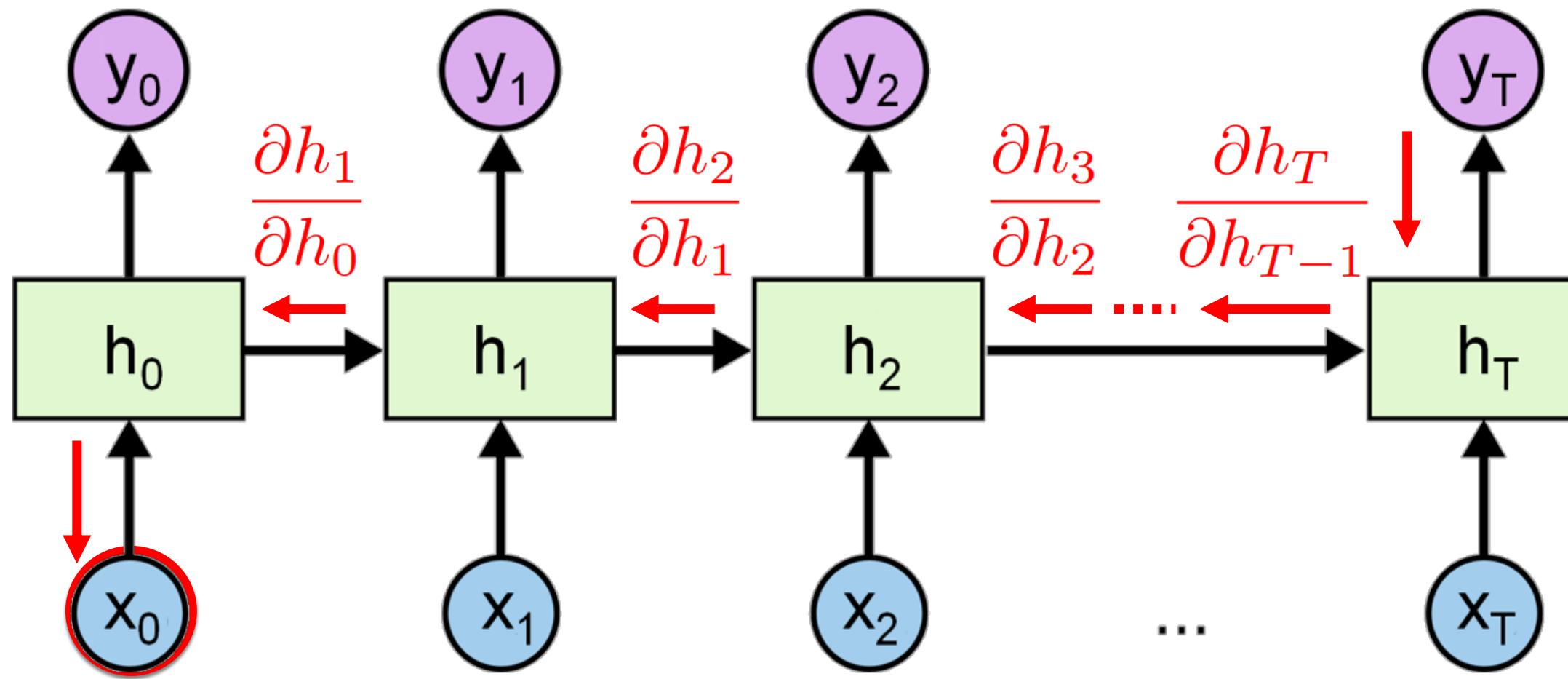
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Gradient clipping: Scale
gradient if its norm is too big

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grad_norm = np.sum(grad * grad)
if grad_norm > threshold:
    grad *= (threshold / grad_norm)
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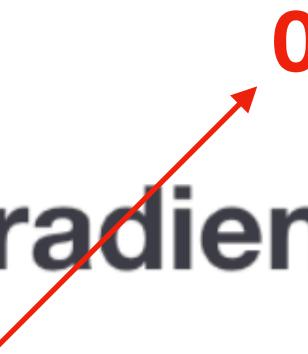
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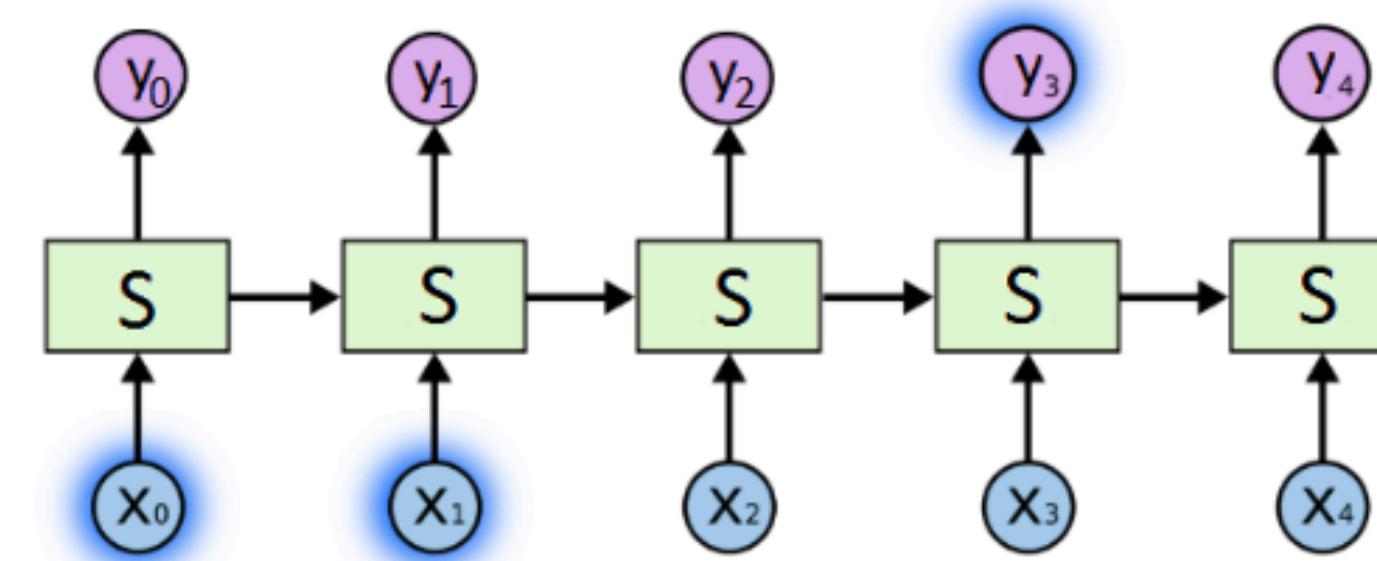
Largest singular value < 1 :
Vanishing gradients

new weight = weight - learning rate * gradient

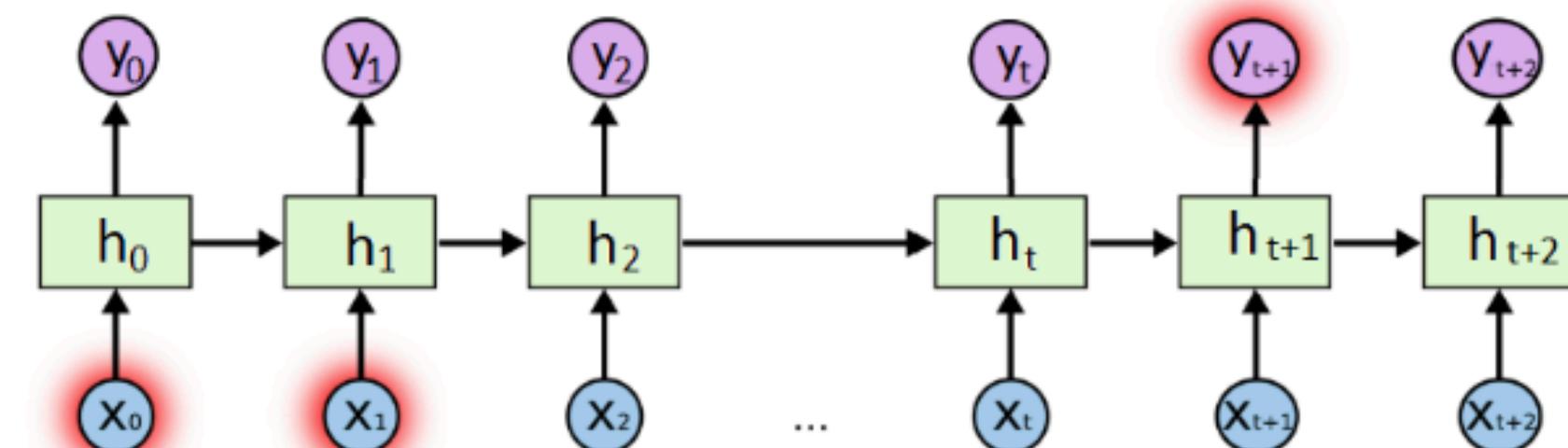


The Problem of Long-term Dependencies

- RNNs connect previous information to present task:
 - may be enough for predicting the next word for "the clouds are in the **sky**"



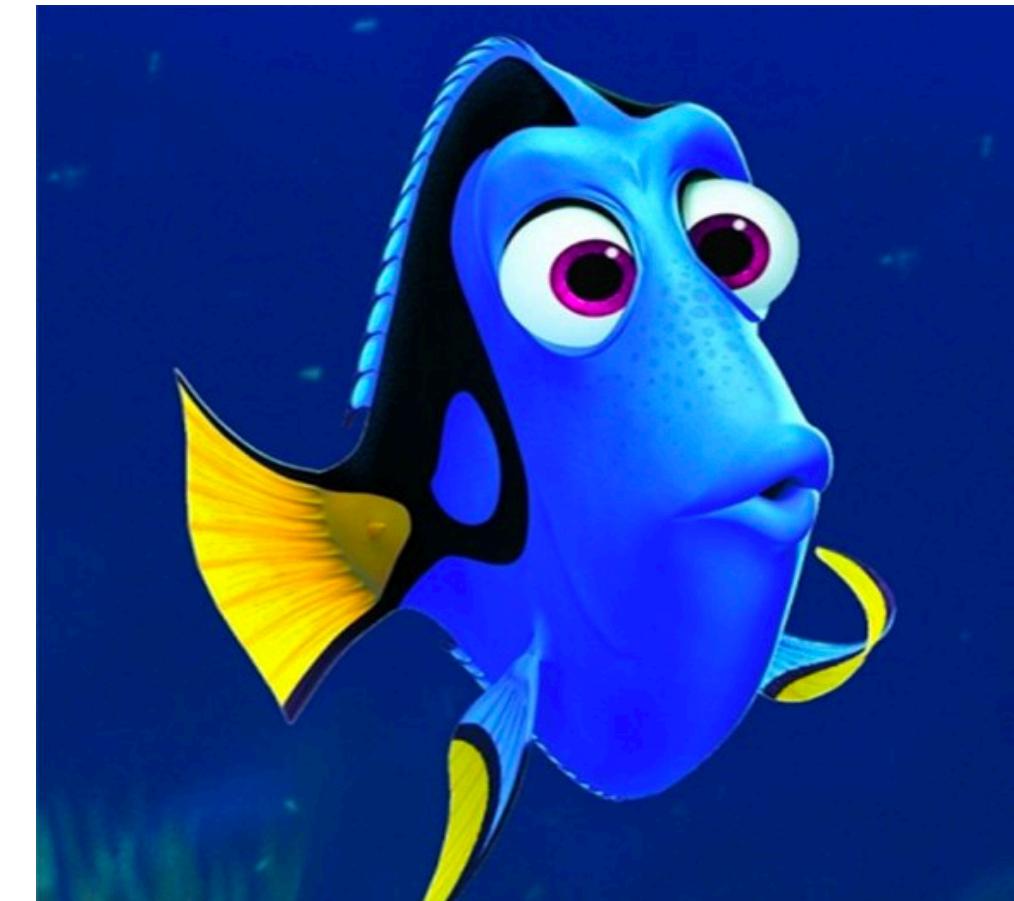
- may not be enough when more context is needed



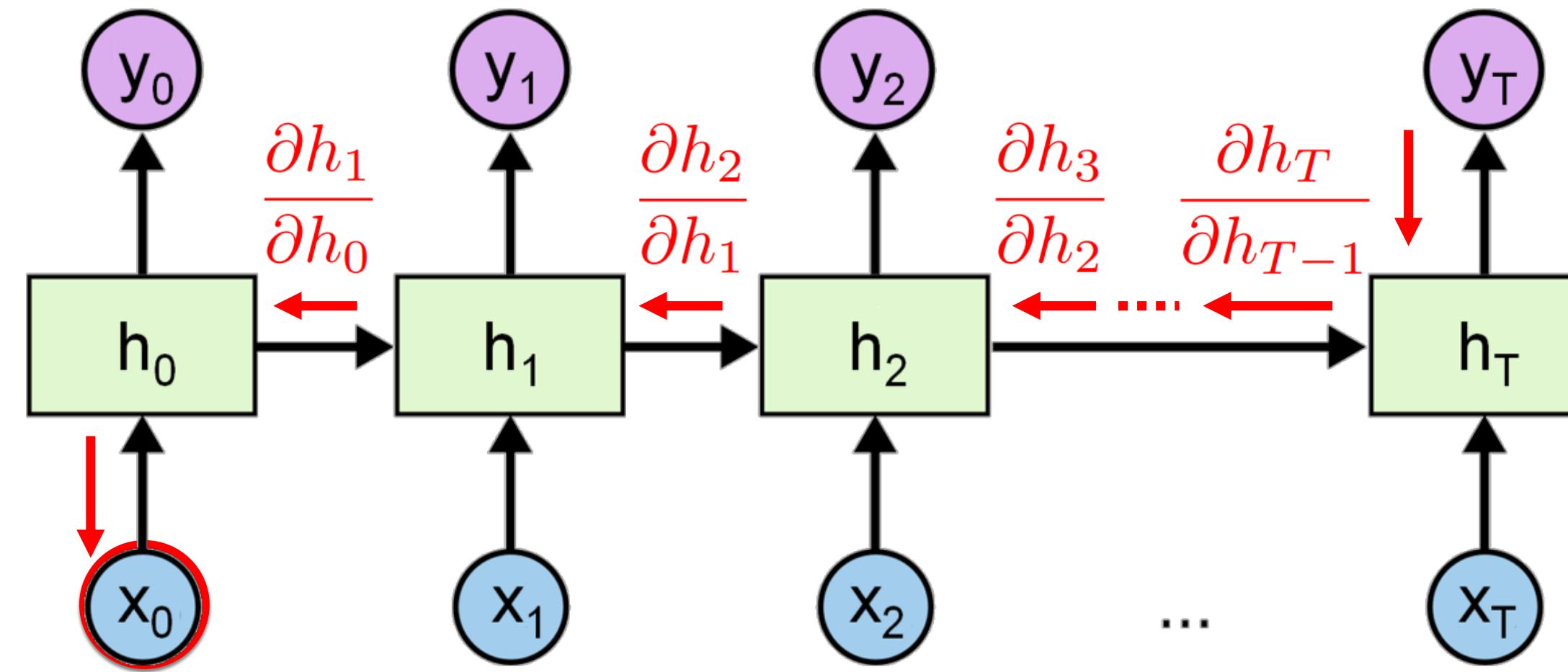
Short-Term memory

- RNNs suffer from what is known as short-term memory!

I was born in France, but I have been working in South Africa
working for ... (another 200 words) ... Therefore my mother tongue
is:



RNN Gradient Flow



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Exploding gradients

Largest singular value < 1 :
Vanishing gradients → Change RNN architecture

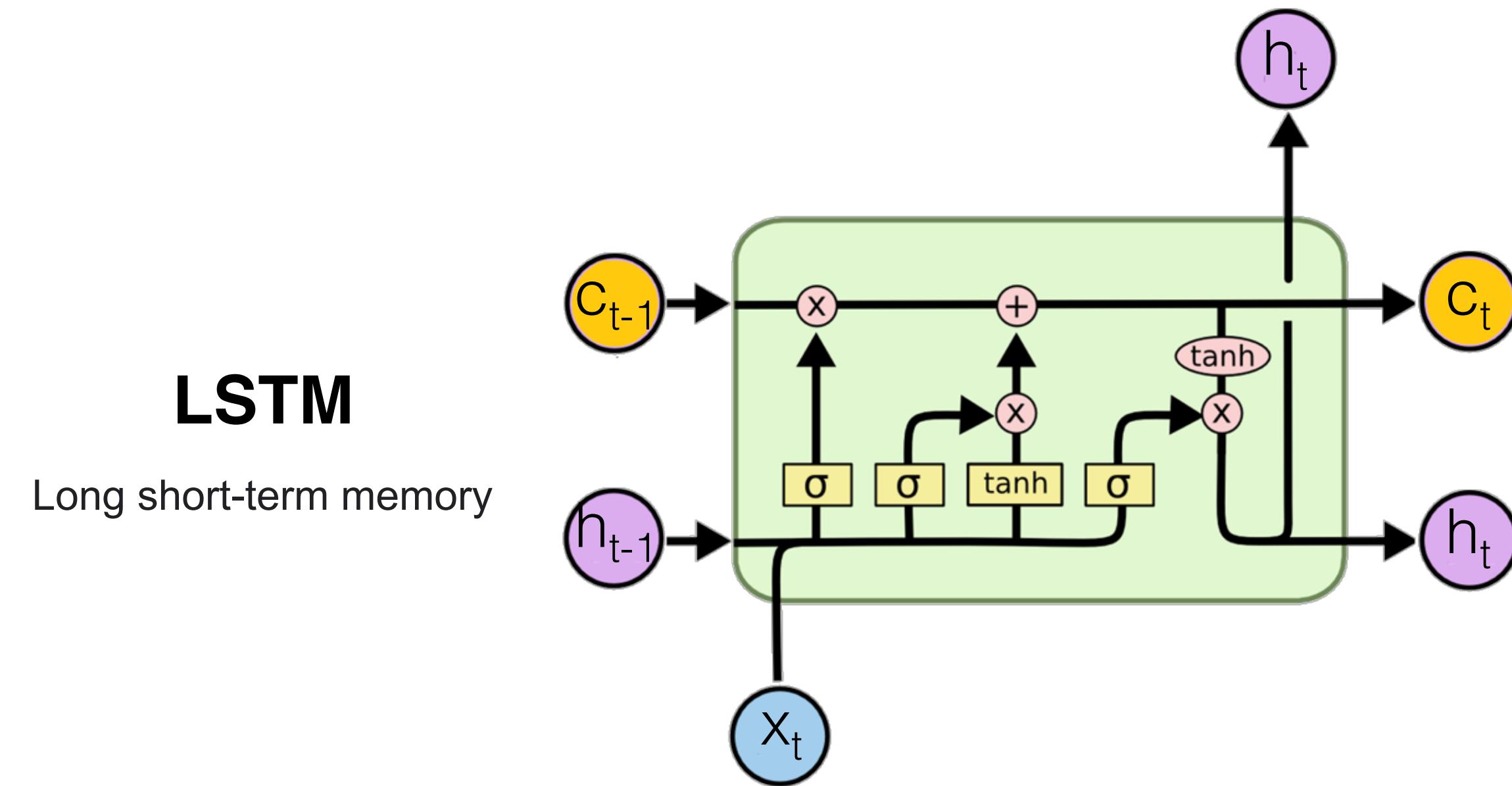
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Gradient Vanishing

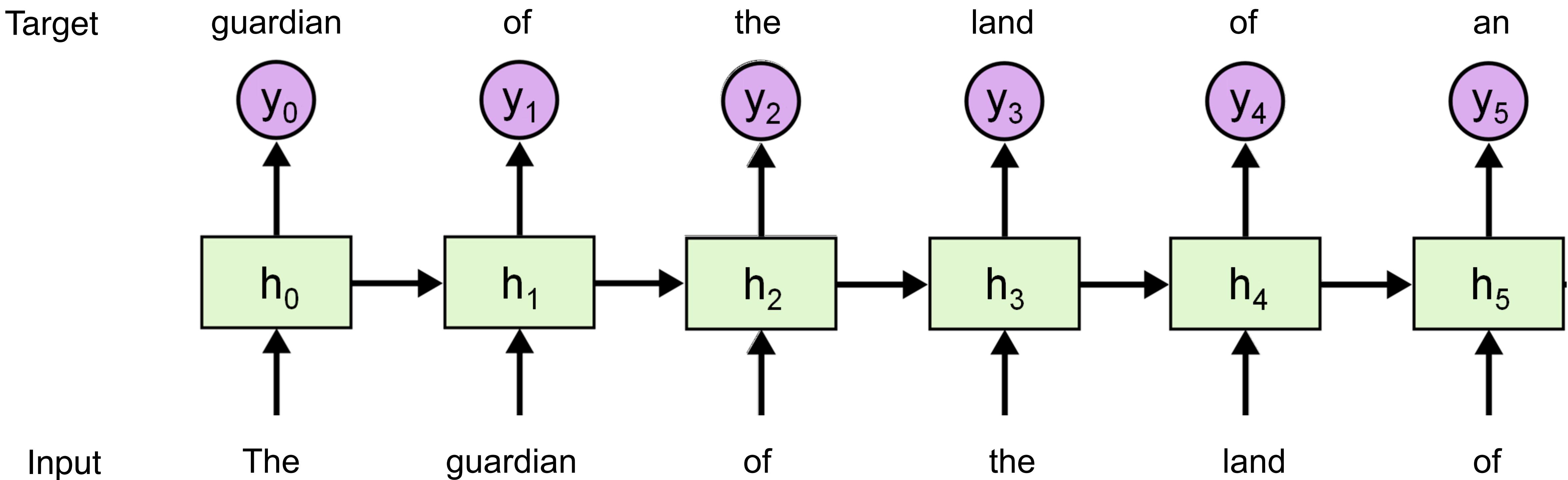
- No simple solution
- Change the “memory cells” of the RNN

$$\mathbf{h}_t = \tanh(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}_{t-1})$$
$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{h}_t)$$



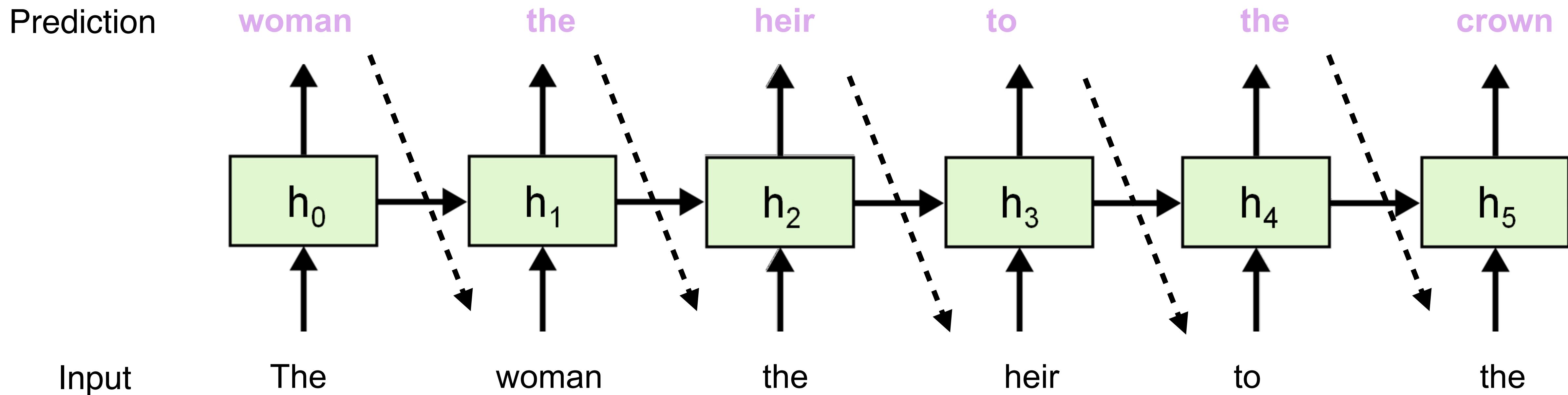
Language Modelling using RNNs

Training.
Given previous words,
predict the next word



Test.

1. Predict One word at a time.
2. Feed the prediction back to the model



Fun example to try!

The screenshot shows the Shortly AI interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with three dropdown menus: "Writing Stats", "Article brief", and "Output length". The "Output length" menu is expanded, showing a slider with three options: "A little", "Somewhere in between", and "A lot". A blue bar is positioned in the middle of the slider. Below the slider is a large text input field containing the placeholder "Your title here...". At the bottom of the sidebar is a blue button labeled "Write for me". To the right of the sidebar is a large white area with a "Saved" button, a "Share" button, and a trash can icon. At the bottom right of this area is a small square icon with a document symbol.

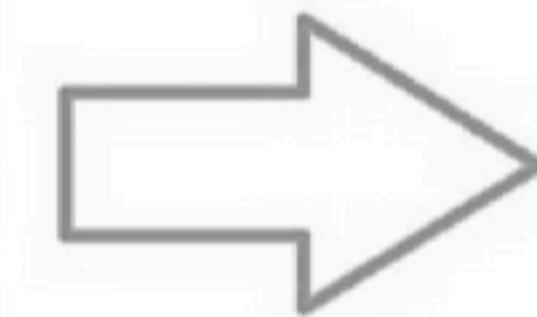


<https://shortlyai.com/>

CNNs



This is how I see

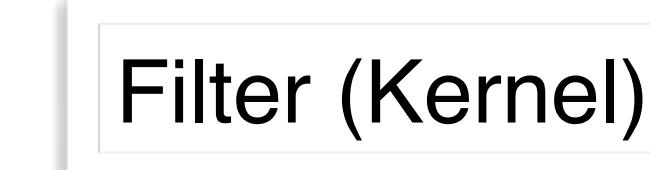
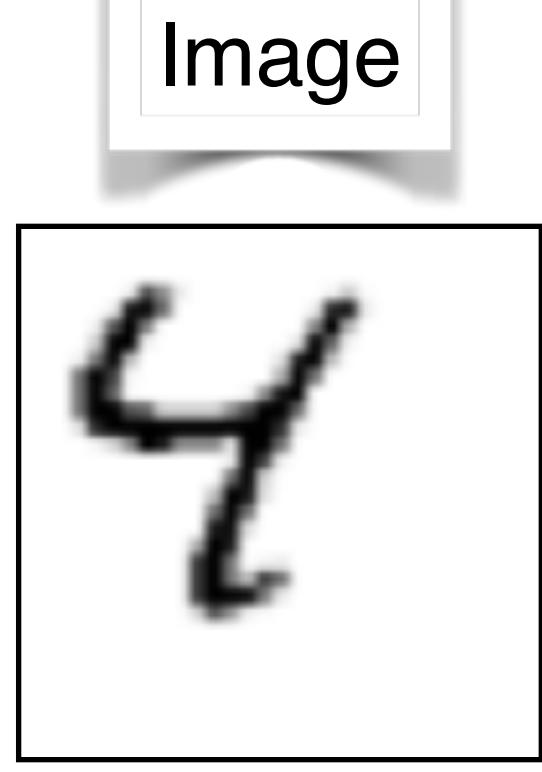


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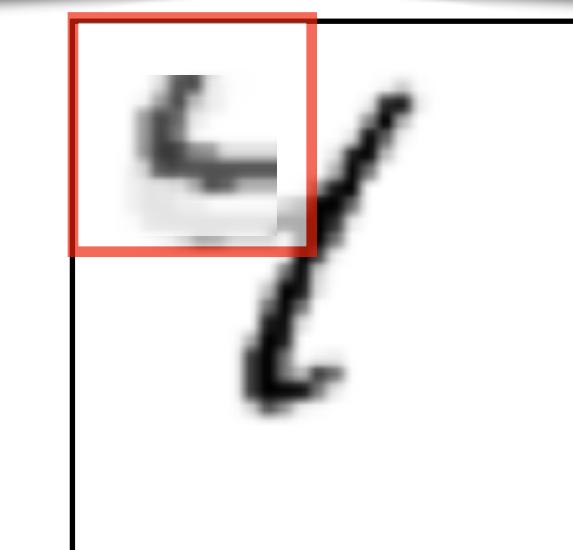
This is how my computer sees

- A 100 x 100 pixel image has 10,000 dimensions
 - Often have a color dimension (data is a tensor)
 - Modern iPhone (12 MP): 4032 x 3024 pixels

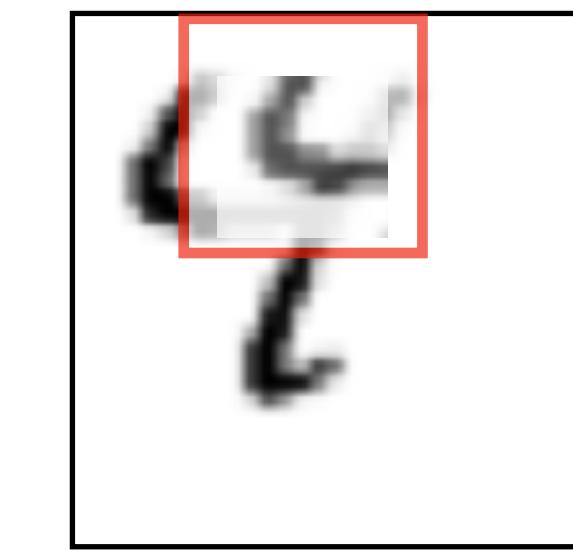
Source: <https://medium.com/deep-math-machine-learning-ai/chapter-8-0-convolutional-neural-networks-for-deep-learning-364971e34ab2>



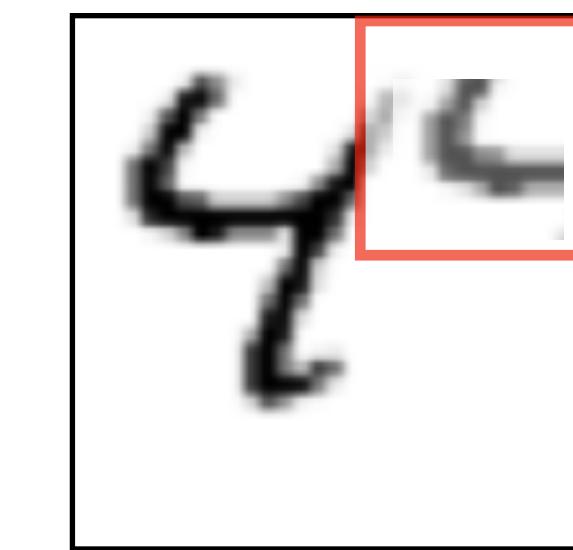
Pass the filter over the image
(Convolutions)



No detection
Output: Low



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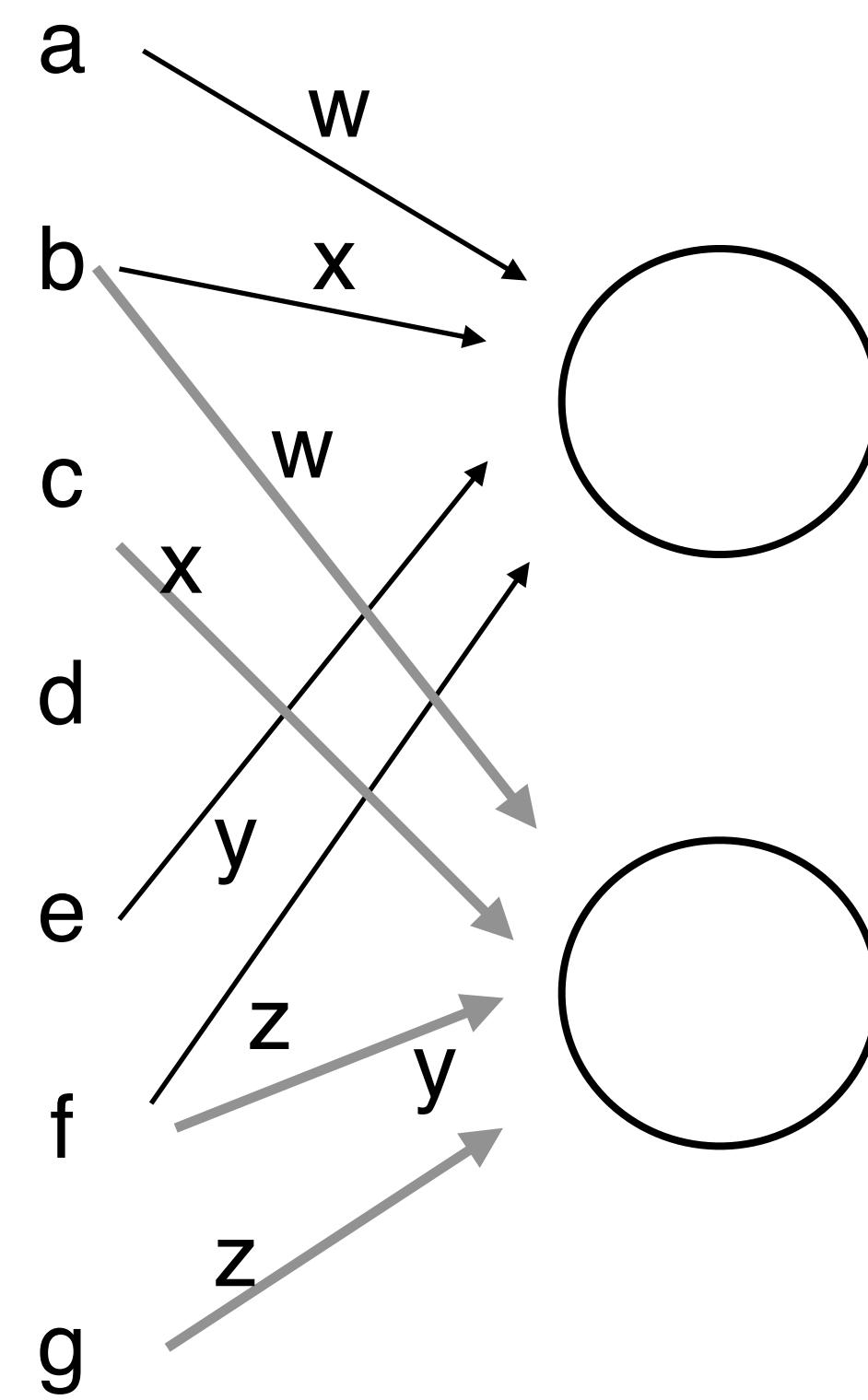
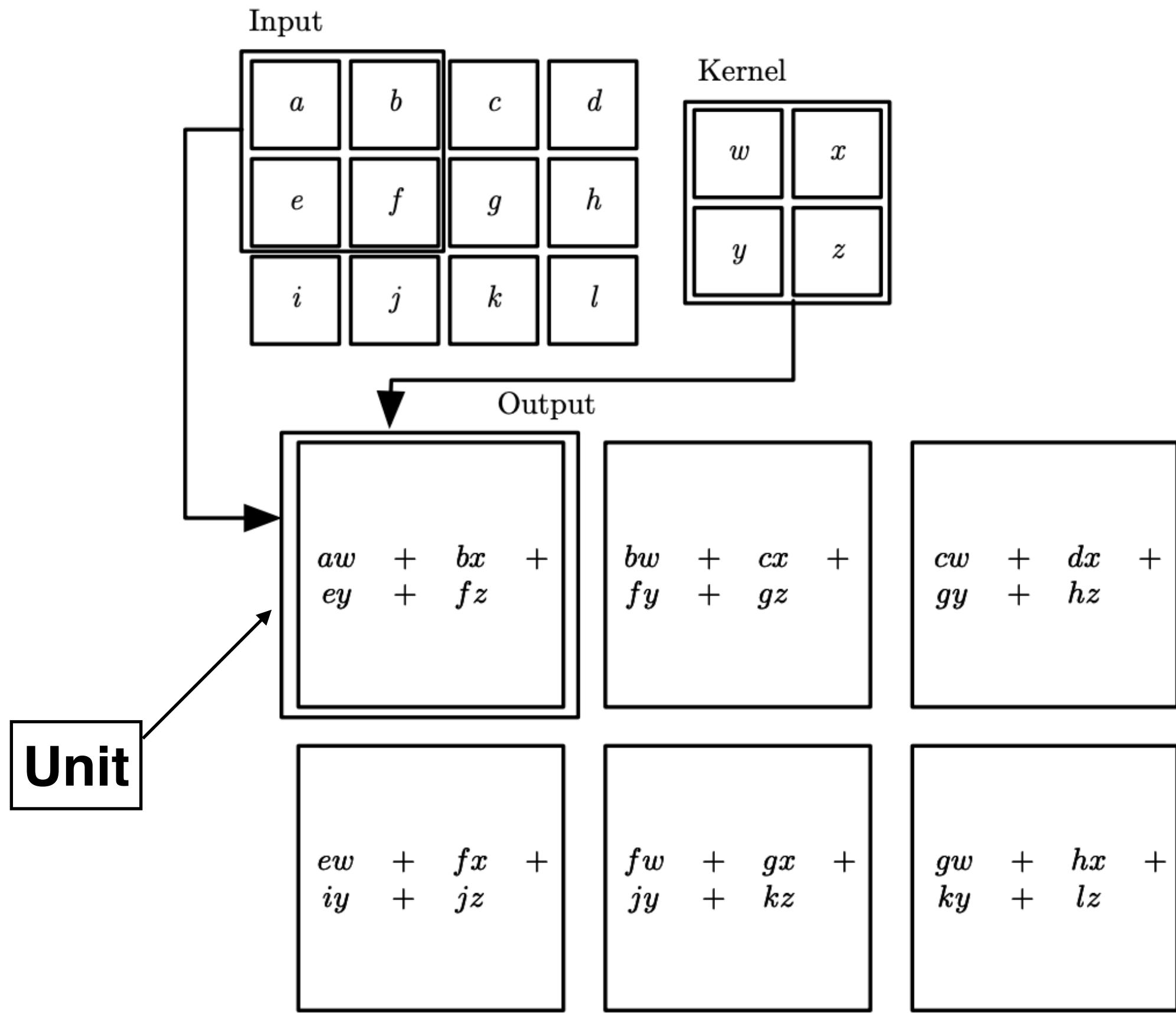
**Detection
Output: High**

Aggregate the output of
the filter
(Pooling)

To do well you need to:
1) learn the filters;
2) use many filters.

**One of the filters
detected an object
part
Output: High**

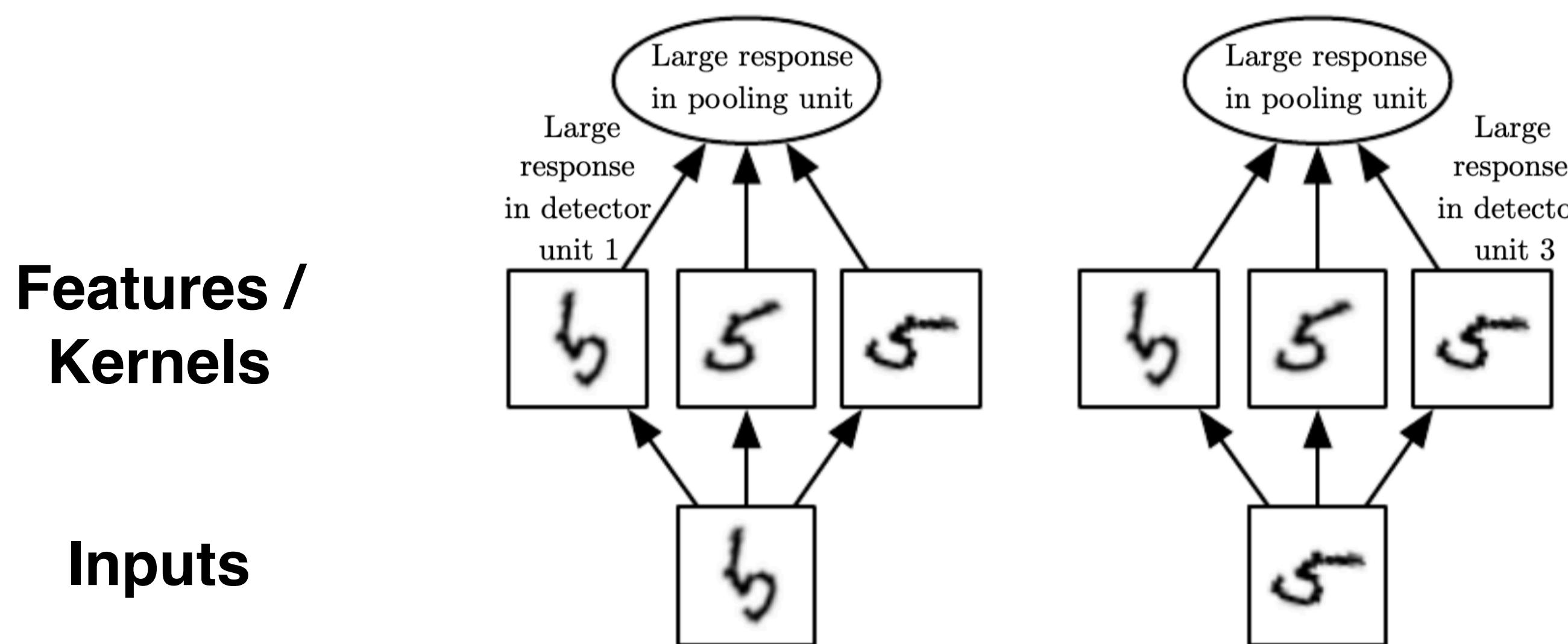
Sparse connections and shared weights



- Kernels induce sparse and shared connections
- Kernels must be small compared to the data

Pooling (II)

- Pooling over different features can learn other types of invariances
- Here, the model learns to be invariant to certain rotations:



A layer in a CNN

Complex layer terminology

