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NPTEL (<https://swayam.gov.in/explorer?ncCode=NPTEL>) » Introduction to Large Language Models (LLMs)
(course)



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The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.

Due on 2025-02-26, 23:59 IST.

Assignment submitted on 2025-02-22, 10:22 IST

1) Which of the following is a disadvantage of Recurrent Neural Networks (RNNs)?

1 point

- ☐ Can only process fixed-length inputs.
- ☐ Symmetry in how inputs are processed.
- ☒ Difficulty accessing information from many steps back.
- ☐ Weights are not reused across timesteps.

Yes, the answer is correct.

Score: 1

Accepted Answers:

Difficulty accessing information from many steps back.

2) Why are RNNs preferred over fixed-window neural models?

1 point

- ☐ They have a smaller parameter size.
- ☒ They can process sequences of arbitrary length.
- ☐ They eliminate the need for embedding layers.
- ☐ None of the above.

Yes, the answer is correct.

Week 4 ()**Week 5 ()**

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Accepted Answers:

They can process sequences of arbitrary length.

3) What is the primary purpose of the cell state in an LSTM?

1 point

- ☐ Store short-term information.
- ☐ Control the gradient flow across timesteps.
- ☒ Store long-term information.
- ☐ Perform the activation function.

Yes, the answer is correct.

Score: 1

Accepted Answers:

Store long-term information.

4) In training an RNN, what technique is used to calculate gradients over multiple timesteps?

1 point

- ☒ Backpropagation through Time (BPTT)
- ☐ Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD)
- ☐ Dropout Regularization
- ☐ Layer Normalization

Yes, the answer is correct.

Score: 1

Accepted Answers:

Backpropagation through Time (BPTT)

5) Consider a simple RNN:

2 points

- Input vector size: 3
- Hidden state size: 4
- Output vector size: 2
- Number of timesteps: 5

How many parameters are there in total, including the bias terms?

- ☐ 210
- ☒ 190
- ☐ 90
- ☐ 42

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

42

6) What is the time complexity for processing a sequence of length 'N' by an RNN, if the input embedding dimension, hidden state dimension, and output vector dimension are all 'd'? **1 point**

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Solutions ()**

- ☐ $O(N)$
- ☐ $O(N^2d)$
- ☐ $O(Nd)$
- ☒ $O(Nd^2)$

Yes, the answer is correct.

Score: 1

Accepted Answers:

 $O(Nd^2)$

7) Which of the following is true about Seq2Seq models?

1 point

- (i) Seq2Seq models are always conditioned on the source sentence.
- (ii) The encoder compresses the input sequence into a fixed-size vector representation.
- (iii) Seq2Seq models cannot handle variable-length sequences.

- ☒ (i) and (ii)
- ☐ (ii) only
- ☐ (iii) only
- ☐ (i), (ii), and (iii)

Yes, the answer is correct.

Score: 1

Accepted Answers:

(i) and (ii)

8) Given the following encoder and decoder hidden states, compute the attention scores. (Use dot product as the scoring function)

2 pointsEncoder hidden states: $h_1 = [1,2]$, $h_2 = [3,4]$, $h_3 = [5,6]$ Decoder hidden state: $s = [0.5,1]$

- ☐ 0.00235,0.04731,0.9503
- ☒ 0.0737,0.287,0.6393
- ☐ 0.9503,0.0137,0.036
- ☐ 0.6393,0.0737,0.287

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

0.00235,0.04731,0.9503