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1 Training RNNs as Fast as CNNs

1.1 Model

1.1.1 Main motivations

1. *process the input at each step independently of the other inputs.*
2. *do the recurrent combination with relatively lightweight computation (element-wise operations that can be fused into a single kernel function call).*

1.1.2 Equations of Simple Recurrent Units (SRU)

- *linear transformation of the input*

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}_t$$

- *forget gate*

$$\mathbf{f}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{W}_f\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{b}_f)$$

- *reset gate*

$$\mathbf{r}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{W}_r\mathbf{x}_t + \mathbf{b}_r)$$

- *internal state*

$$\mathbf{c}_t = \mathbf{f}_t \odot \mathbf{c}_{t-1} + (1 - \mathbf{f}_t) \odot \mathbf{x}_t$$

- *output state*

$$\mathbf{h}_t = \mathbf{r}_t \odot g(\mathbf{c}_t) + (1 - \mathbf{r}_t) \odot \mathbf{x}_t$$