# Recurrent Neural Networks

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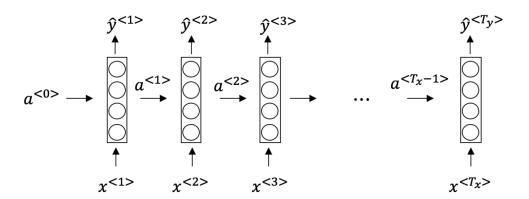
Suppose your training examples are sentences (sequences of words). Which of the following refers to the  $j^{th}$  word in the  $i^{th}$  training example?

- $x^{(i) < j >}$
- - $x^{< i > (j)}$

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2.

Consider this RNN:



This specific type of architecture is appropriate when:

- $T_x = T_y$
- $\bigcap T_x < T_y$
- $T_x > T_y$

# $T_x = 1$

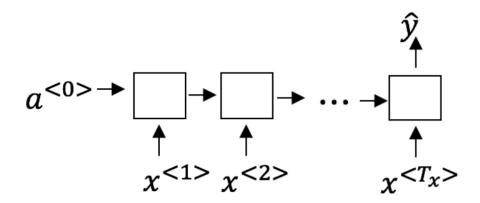
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3.

To which of these tasks would you apply a many-to-one RNN architecture? (Check all that apply).



- Speech recognition (input an audio clip and output a transcript)
- Sentiment classification (input a piece of text and output a 0/1 to denote positive or negative sentiment)
- Image classification (input an image and output a label)
- Gender recognition from speech (input an audio clip and output a label indicating the speaker's gender)

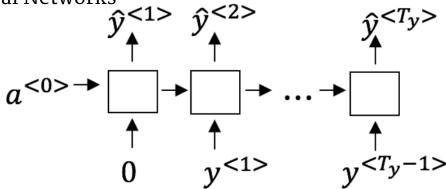
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4.

You are training this RNN language model.

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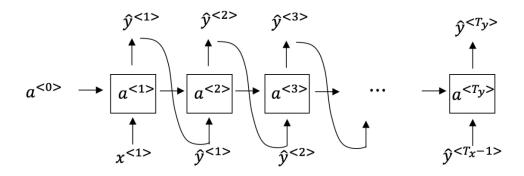
At the  $t^{th}$  time step, what is the RNN doing? Choose the best answer.

- $\bigcirc \quad \text{Estimating } P(y^{<1>}, y^{<2>}, \ldots, y^{< t-1>}) \\$
- $igcap ext{Estimating } P(y^{< t>})$
- lacksquare Estimating  $P(y^{< t>} \mid y^{< 1>}, y^{< 2>}, \dots, y^{< t-1>})$
- $\bigcirc \quad \text{Estimating } P(y^{< t>} \mid y^{< 1>}, y^{< 2>}, \ldots, y^{< t>}) \\$

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5.

You have finished training a language model RNN and are using it to sample random sentences, as follows:



What are you doing at each time step t?

(i) Use the probabilities output by the RNN to pick the highest probability word for that time-step as  $\hat{y}^{< t>}$ . (ii) Then pass the ground-Recurrent Neuralt Networks the training set to the next time-step.

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- (i) Use the probabilities output by the RNN to randomly sample a chosen word for that time-step as  $\hat{y}^{< t>}$ . (ii) Then pass the ground-truth word from the training set to the next time-step.
- (i) Use the probabilities output by the RNN to pick the highest probability word for that time-step as  $\hat{y}^{< t>}$ . (ii) Then pass this selected word to the next time-step.
- (i) Use the probabilities output by the RNN to randomly sample a chosen word for that time-step as  $\hat{y}^{< t>}$ . (ii) Then pass this selected word to the next time-step.

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6.

You are training an RNN, and find that your weights and activations are all taking on the value of NaN ("Not a Number"). Which of these is the most likely cause of this problem?

- Vanishing gradient problem.
- Exploding gradient problem.
- ReLU activation function g(.) used to compute g(z), where z is too large.
- Sigmoid activation function g(.) used to compute g(z), where z is too large.

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7.

Suppose you are training a LSTM. You have a 10000 word vocabulary, and are using an LSTM with 100-dimensional activations  $a^{< t>}$ . What is the dimension of  $\Gamma_u$  at each time step?

100

1

300

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8.

Here're the update equations for the GRU.

### **GRU**

$$\tilde{c}^{} = \tanh(W_c[\Gamma_r * c^{}, x^{}] + b_c)$$

$$\Gamma_u = \sigma(W_u[c^{}, x^{}] + b_u)$$

$$\Gamma_r = \sigma(W_r[c^{}, x^{}] + b_r)$$

$$c^{} = \Gamma_u * \tilde{c}^{} + (1 - \Gamma_u) * c^{}$$

$$a^{} = c^{}$$

Alice proposes to simplify the GRU by always removing the  $\Gamma_u$ . I.e., setting  $\Gamma_u$  = 1. Betty proposes to simplify the GRU by removing the  $\Gamma_r$ . I. e., setting  $\Gamma_r$  = 1 always. Which of these models is more likely to work without vanishing gradient problems even when trained on very long input sequences?

- Alice's model (removing  $\Gamma_u$ ), because if  $\Gamma_r \approx 0$  for a timestep, the gradient can propagate back through that timestep without much decay.
- Alice's model (removing  $\Gamma_u$ ), because if  $\Gamma_r \approx 1$  for a timestep, the gradient can propagate back through that timestep without much decay.
- Betty's model (removing  $\Gamma_r$ ), because if  $\Gamma_u \approx 0$  for a timestep, the gradient can propagate back through that timestep without much decay.
- Betty's model (removing  $\Gamma_r$ ), because if  $\Gamma_u \approx 1$  for a timestep, the gradient can propagate back through that timestep without much decay.

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## Here are the equations for the GRU and the LSTM:

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GRU

LSTM

$$\tilde{c}^{< t>} = \tanh(W_c[\Gamma_r * c^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_c) \qquad \qquad \tilde{c}^{< t>} = \tanh(W_c[a^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_c)$$

$$\Gamma_u = \sigma(W_u[c^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_u) \qquad \qquad \Gamma_u = \sigma(W_u[a^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_u)$$

$$\Gamma_r = \sigma(W_r[c^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_r) \qquad \qquad \Gamma_f = \sigma(W_f[a^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_f)$$

$$c^{< t>} = \Gamma_u * \tilde{c}^{< t>} + (1 - \Gamma_u) * c^{< t-1>} \qquad \qquad \Gamma_o = \sigma(W_o[a^{< t-1>}, x^{< t>}] + b_o)$$

$$a^{< t>} = c^{< t>} \qquad \qquad c^{< t>} = \Gamma_u * \tilde{c}^{< t>} + \Gamma_f * c^{< t-1>}$$

$$a^{< t>} = \Gamma_o * c^{< t>}$$

From these, we can see that the Update Gate and Forget Gate in the LSTM play a role similar to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ in the GRU. What should go in the the blanks?

- igotimes  $\Gamma_u$  and  $1-\Gamma_u$
- $\Gamma_u$  and  $\Gamma_r$
- $1-\Gamma_u$  and  $\Gamma_u$
- - $\Gamma_r$  and  $\Gamma_u$

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10.

You have a pet dog whose mood is heavily dependent on the current and past few days' weather. You've collected data for the past 365 days on the weather, which you represent as a sequence as  $x^{<1>}, \dots, x^{<365>}$ . You've also collected data on your dog's mood, which you represent as  $y^{<1>}, \dots, y^{<365>}$ . You'd like to build a model to map from x o y. Should you use a Unidirectional RNN or Bidirectional RNN for this problem?

- Bidirectional RNN, because this allows the prediction of mood on day t to take into account more information.
- - Bidirectional RNN, because this allows backpropagation to compute more accurate gradients.
- Unidirectional RNN, because the value of  $y^{< t>}$  depends only on  $x^{<1>},\ldots,x^{< t>}$  , but not on  $x^{< t+1>},\ldots,x^{<365>}$

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