# RNNINTRO

#### + TEXT SPECIFICALLY

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Problems with Installation? ASK!



#### **TODAY**

- Start with CNN features wrap-up
- Text & Embeddings
- RNN Intro + Text
- Char-RNN
- RNN Project



#### WEDNESDAY

- Public holiday
  - === Work on projects at home
- Actual session deferred to 'after':
  - Expected : Monday 20-Nov-2017



#### THURSDAY (OPTIONAL)

- PyTorch Deep Learning MeetUp Group
  - Hosted by Facebook
- Typical Contents :
  - Talk for people starting out
  - Things from the bleeding-edge
  - Other talks (including 'lightning')
- MeetUp.com / PyTorch-and-Deep-Learning-Singapore



MONDAY (!)

- RNN project wrap-up
- 'Advanced CNNs'



#### OUTLINE

- Recurrent Neural Networks
  - Basic idea & problems...
  - GRUs and LSTMs
- Natural Language Processing
  - Tokenization, etc
  - Word Embeddings
- Application : UPPER-CASE NER



# PROCESSING SEQUENCES

- Methods so far have fixed input size
- But that is untrue in many domains:
  - Text data (sequences of words)
  - Text data (sequences of characters)
  - Dialog (eg: chatbots)
  - Audio speech data
  - Video clips / movies
- Need a technique that can be applied iteratively



## PROCESSING SEQUENCES

#### VARIABLE-LENGTH INPUT DOESN'T "FIT"

- Run network for each timestep
  - ... with the same parameters
- But 'pass along' internal state
- This state is 'hidden depth'
  - ... and should learn features that are useful

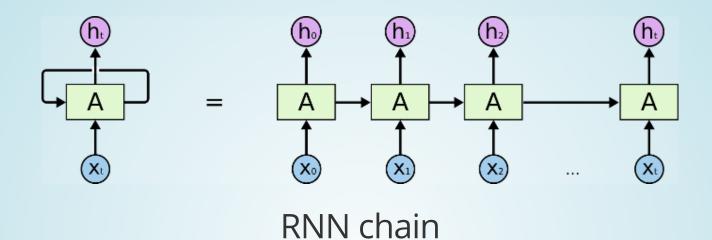


## RECURRENT NEURAL NETWORKS

- Apply one network at each step of the input
- Including an internal state that carries forward step-wise
- Everything is still differentiable



# **BASIC RNN**

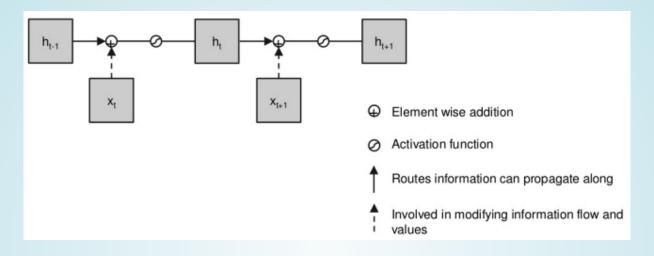


### CHAINING STATE

- Each node 'knows' history
- ... all weights are 'tied'
- Network depth is time-wise



### PLAIN RNN



Simplest RNN (but has gradient problem)



#### GRADIENT PROBLEM

- In a long sequence, early inputs are 'deep'
- Propagating errors must go through many layers
- Each layer multiplies by an additional factor
- So gradients can explode or vanish

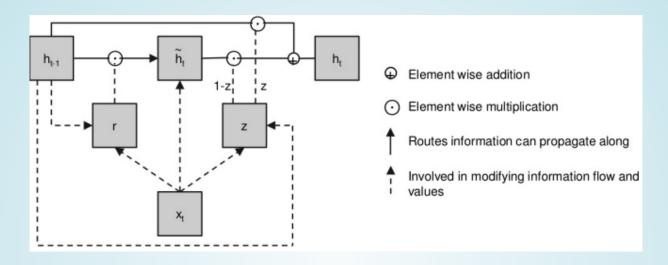


# SOLUTION TO GRADIENT PROBLEM

- Instead of always multiplying by weights ...
  - ... have a straight-through path
  - ... so there's a 'gradient 1.0' route
- Idea: Switch the routing on and off



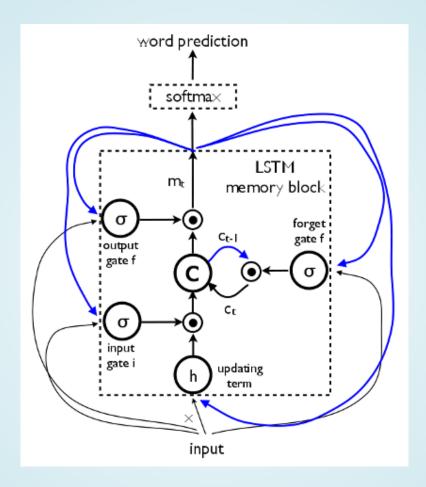
## GATED RECURRENT UNITS



A GRU



## LSTM UNITS



A Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) Unit



#### PILED HIGHER AND DEEPER

- Can also pile up layers
- ... and run forwards and backwards



#### KEY POINT

- Everything is still differentiable
- So: RNNs can be trained
- So: RNNs might be able to learn to do NLP



## TEXT

- Documents
- Paragraphs
- Sentences
- Words
- Characters



## PRE-PROCESSING

- Encoding
- Sentence-splitting
- Tokenization
- Vocabulary
- ... exceptions



#### ENCODING

- Can you open the file?
- Are you 'unicode clean'?
- Is 'e' the same as 'é'?
- Is '»' the same as "" or ""?
- Is '.' the same as '•'?
- How about 'fi' vs 'fi'?



#### SENTENCE SPLITTING

Mr. Sam Smith earned \$2012.00 in the U.S.A. in 2012.



#### TOKENISATION

- Good idea to have a single standard
- Popular approach : Penn-TreeBank (PTB)
- Need to think again for :
  - Chinese (no word spaces)
  - Japanese (unicode punctuation)
  - ... ( research is English-centric )
- This is n't so easy.



#### VOCABULARY BUILDING

- Suppose we have converted sentences to tokens
- Build a dictionary and convert tokens to indices
- Simple frequency analysis:
  - Stop-words (very frequent)
  - Common / normal words
  - Very rare words
  - Typos and Junk
  - <UNK>



## UNDERSTANDING TEXT

- English ~100k+ words
- Bag-of-words
- Word Embeddings



#### BAG-OF-WORDS

- Just convert a sentence into set of words
  - (Throw away ordering)
- Simple statistical analysis (TF-IDF):
  - Often very effective
- No idea that "jumps" ~ "jump"
- No idea that "jump" ~ "spring"
- No idea that "spring" ~ "summer"



## WORD EMBEDDINGS

- Major advances : word2vec & GloVe
- Words that are close in the text should have close representations
- Assign a vector (~300d) to each word
  - Slide a 'window' over the text
  - Vectors for words in window are nudged together
- Keep iterating until 'good enough'
- (corpus size : 1 billion words + )



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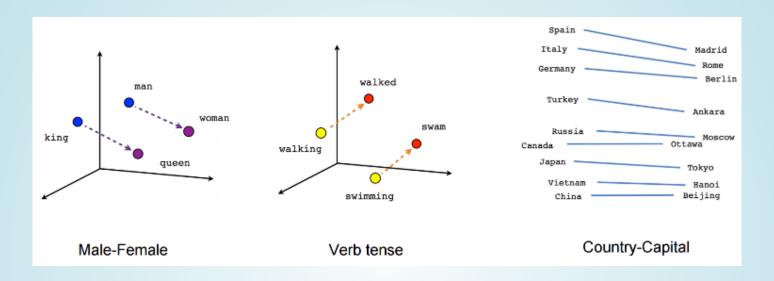
- A map from "token" → Float [100]
- Train over corpus on windows of words
- The vector-space of words self-organizes...

FRANCE 454	JESUS 1973	хвох 6909	REDDISH 11724	SCRATCHED 29869	MEGABITS 87025
AUSTRIA	GOD	AMIGA	GREENISH	NAILED	OCTETS
BELGIUM	SATI	PLAYSTATION	BLUISH	SMASHED	MB/S
GERMANY	CHRIST	MSX	PINKISH	PUNCHED	BIT/S
ITALY	SATAN	IPOD	PURPLISH	POPPED	BAUD
GREECE	KALI	SEGA	BROWNISH	CRIMPED	CARATS
SWEDEN	INDRA	PSNUMBER	GREYISH	SCRAPED	KBIT/S
NORWAY	VISHNU	HD	GRAYISH	SCREWED	MEGAHERTZ
EUROPE	ANANDA	DREAMCAST	WHITISH	SECTIONED	MEGAPIXELS
HUNGARY	PARVATI	GEFORCE	SILVERY	SLASHED	GBIT/S
SWITZERLAND	GRACE	CAPCOM	YELLOWISH	RIPPED	AMPERES

(eg: word2vec or GloVe)



## EMBEDDING VISUALISATION



**Highlighting Analogies** 



#### TEXT DEMO TIME



#### APPLICATION: RNNS FOR TEXT

- Building a quality NLP system
- Essential component : Named Entity Recognition (NER)
- Has to be flexible / trainable
- Has to understand regional quirks



# NER: QUICK EXAMPLE

#### • Transform:

 Soon after his graduation, Jim Soon became Managing Director of Lam Soon.

#### • Into:

Soon after his graduation, Jim\_Soon<sup>PER</sup> became Managing Director of Lam\_Soon<sup>ORG</sup>.



# LEARNING NAMED ENTITY RECOGNITION

- Can we train an RNN to do 'NER'?
- Steps:
  - Create / select a word embedding
  - Get a NER annotated dataset
  - Train an RNN on the dataset



#### DEMO DATASET

- Human annotated Corpora are difficult to distribute:
  - Use NLTK to annotate Wikipedia
  - Train RNN on machine annotations
  - Look at performance vs NLTK

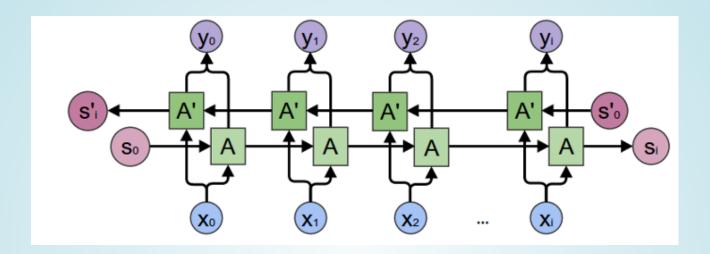


### LET'S MAKE IT "INTERESTING"

• Twist: Restrict RNN input to single case text



## NETWORK PICTURE



**Bidirectional GRU RNN** 



#### RNN-TAGGER-KERAS



#### WRAP-UP

- Text processing is messy
- Word Embeddings are magic
- RNNs can be applied to lots of things
- Having a GPU is VERY helpful



# - QUESTIONS -

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