

Modern RNNs  
TOTAL POINTS 4

1.Question 1

Choose correct statements about the exploding gradient problem:

☒ Exploding gradient problem is easy to detect.

☐ ReLU nonlinearity helps with the exploding gradient problem.

☒ The reason of the exploding gradient problem in the simple RNN is the recurrent weight matrix  $W$ . Nonlinearities sigmoid, tanh, and ReLU does not cause the problem.

☐ The threshold for gradient clipping should be as low as possible to make the training more efficient.

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2.Question 2

Choose correct statements about the vanishing gradient problem:

☐ Vanishing gradient problem is easy to detect.

☒ Both nonlinearity and the recurrent weight matrix  $W$  cause the vanishing gradient problem.

☒ Orthogonal initialization of the recurrent weight matrix helps with the vanishing gradient problem.

☐ Truncated BPTT helps with the vanishing gradient problem.

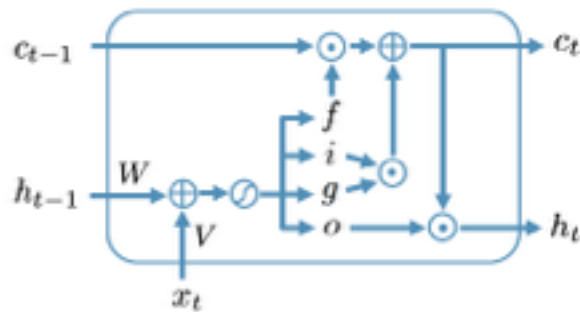
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3. Consider the LSTM architecture:

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$$\begin{pmatrix} g_t \\ i_t \\ o_t \\ f_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{f} \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \\ \sigma \end{pmatrix} (Vx_t + Wh_{t-1} + b)$$

$$c_t = f_t \cdot c_{t-1} + i_t \cdot g_t, \quad h_t = o_t \cdot \tilde{f}(c_t)$$



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(X) The LSTM needs four times more parameters than the simple RNN.

() Gradients do not vanish on the way through memory cells  $c$  in the LSTM with forget gate.

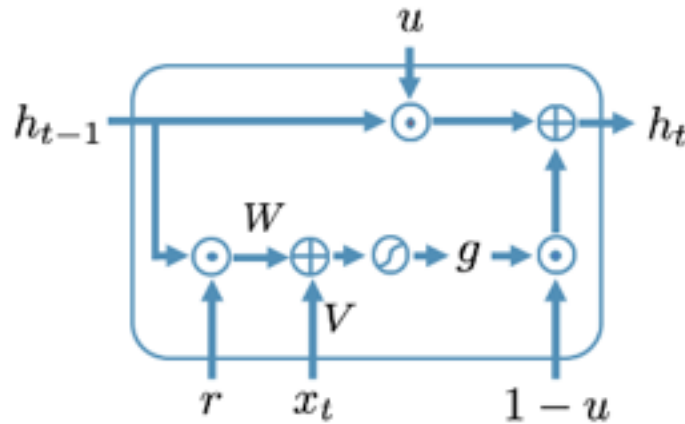
() There is a combination of the gates values which makes the LSTM completely equivalent to the simple RNN.

(X) The exploding gradient problem is still possible in LSTM on the way between  $h_{t-1}$  and  $h_t$ .

4. Consider the GRU architecture:

$$g_t = \tilde{f}(V_g x_t + W_g(h_{t-1} \cdot r_t) + b_g)$$

$$h_t = (1 - u_t) \cdot g_t + u_t \cdot h_{t-1}$$



Which combination of the gate values makes this model equivalent to the simple RNN? Here value zero corresponds to a closed gate and value one corresponds to an open gate.

- ☐ Both reset and update gates are open.
- ☐ Both reset and update gates are closed.
- ☒ Reset gate is open and update gate is closed.
- ☐ Update gate is open and reset gate is closed.

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