# Assignment: Handwritten LSTM for Next Word Generation

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## Instructions

This assignment requires you to manually compute each step in using an LSTM for next-word prediction. You must show all matrix multiplications with explicit calculations and dimensions.

- Handwritten Notes: All work must be handwritten and submitted as scanned PDF.
- Follow Class Notes: You may refer to the lecture notes for guidance.
- Explicit Computation: No assumptions—every step must be written explicitly.
- Dimensions Required: Each matrix operation should have clear dimensions mentioned.

#### Problem Statement

You are given an LSTM-based next-word generator with the following settings:

- Vocabulary size: V = 5
- Hidden state size: h = 2
- Token embedding size: e = 2
- Context size: c = 3

Your goal is to take 3 token IDs as context and pass them through:

- 1. A token embedding layer.
- 2. An LSTM layer.
- 3. A logits layer to generate the next token.

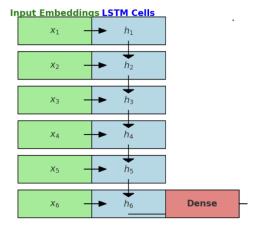


Figure 1: Your LSTM schematic might look something like this. However, since context size = 3, you will just have x1, x2, x3. The dimensions of h1, h2 and h3 will be 2. Dense means the final logits layer. You can assume vocab size = 5.

# Steps to Follow

- 1. Token Embedding: Convert token IDs to embeddings. Use embedding dimension =
- 2. In class, we used an embedding dimension = 1.
- 2. LSTM Computations:
- Define LSTM parameters:  $W_f, W_i, W_o, W_c$  (weights) and  $b_f, b_i, b_o, b_c$  (biases).
- Compute gate activations:

$$f_t = \sigma(W_f[h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_f)$$

$$i_t = \sigma(W_i[h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_i)$$

$$o_t = \sigma(W_o[h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_o)$$

$$\tilde{C}_t = \tanh(W_c[h_{t-1}, x_t] + b_c)$$

$$C_t = f_t \odot C_{t-1} + i_t \odot \tilde{C}_t$$

$$h_t = o_t \odot \tanh(C_t)$$

- Compute all the above steps for each token in the context.
- 3. Logits Layer: Compute the output logits using the final hidden state  $h_T$ :

$$y = W_{\text{out}}h_T + b_{\text{out}}$$

4. Final Token Prediction: - Apply softmax to y to obtain probabilities. - Choose the token with the highest probability.

## **Submission Guidelines**

- Submit a video recording of yourself explaining your notes to an undergraduate student. You can think of this as a class and you are teaching this class. You can make the video as long as possible.

- Submit a scanned PDF of your handwritten solutions.
- You can submit the video and PDF as a Drive link.
- Clearly label each step and ensure all matrices and dimensions are included.
- Your calculations must be legible and well-organized.

# Team Size

You can have a maximum team size of 2 students per team. If you are not forming a team, you can submit the assignment individually.

## **Deadline**

7 March 2024

- Clarity and depth of video explanation (50%)
- $\bullet$  Clarity and depth of hand written notes (50%)

For any clarifications, please reach out before the deadline. Good luck!