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Overview

- Last lecture we covered
 - Data Preparation for RNNs
 - Implementing RNNs from scratch
- Today, we will cover
 - Finish implementing RNN
 - GRUs and LSTMs
 - Attention Mechanism

Open notebook IN_CLASS_implementation_of_RNNs_from_scratch

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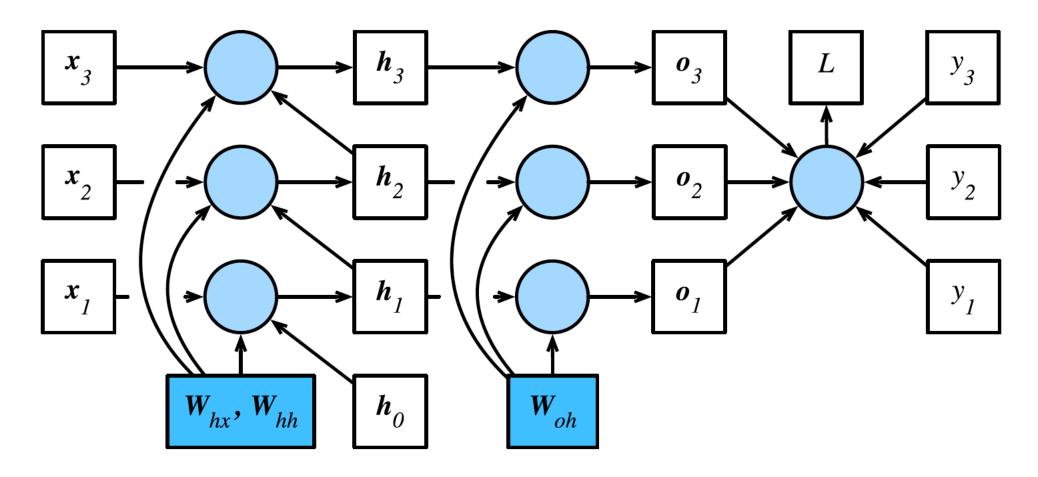


Fig. 10.7.2: Computational dependencies for a recurrent neural network model with three time steps. Boxes represent variables (not shaded) or parameters (shaded) and circles represent operators.

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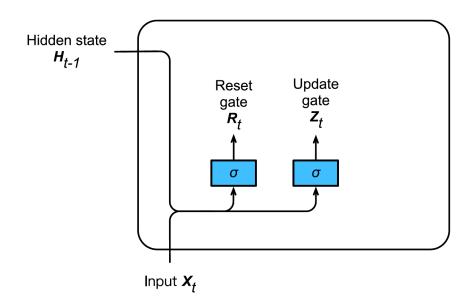
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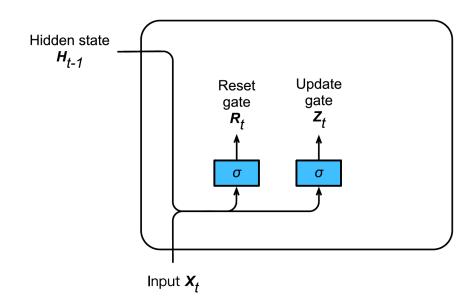
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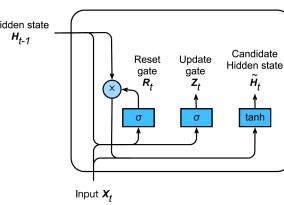
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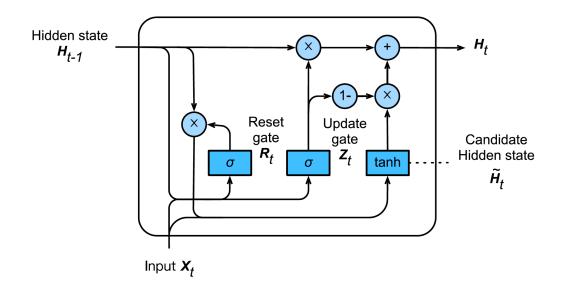
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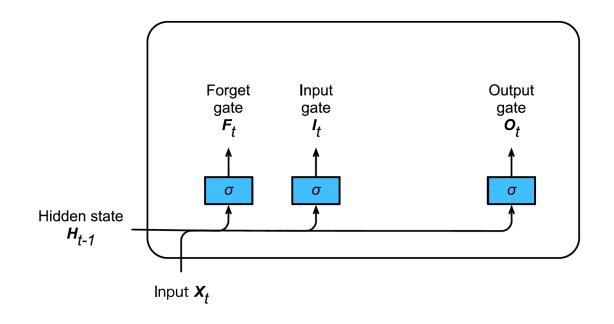
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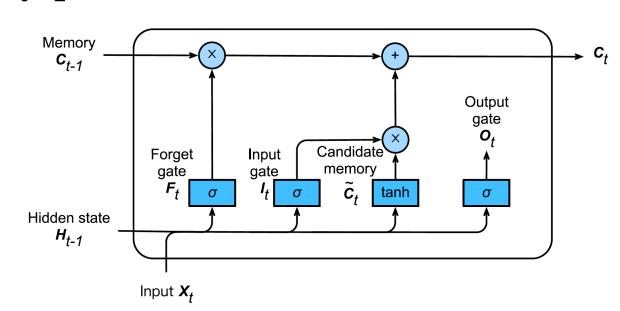
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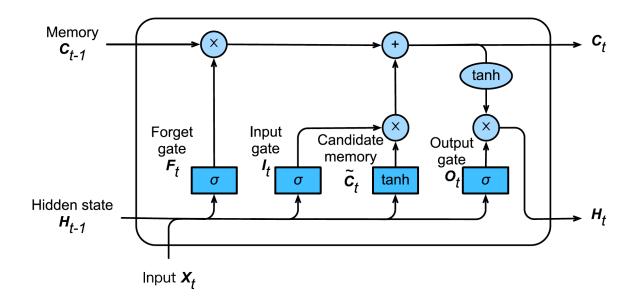
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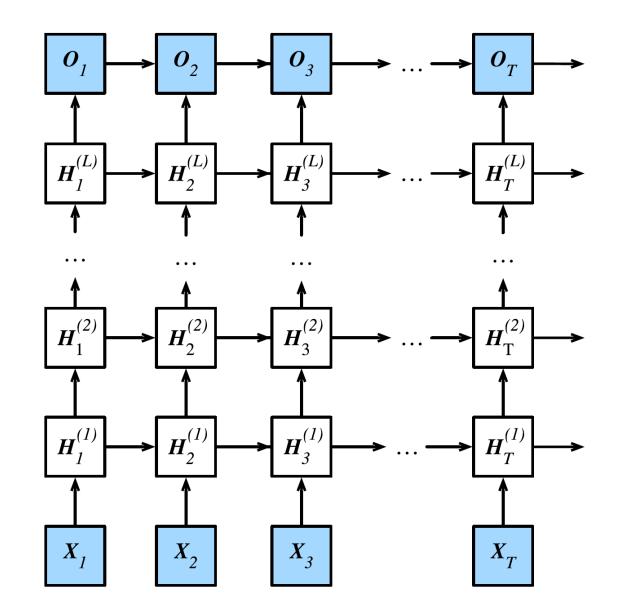
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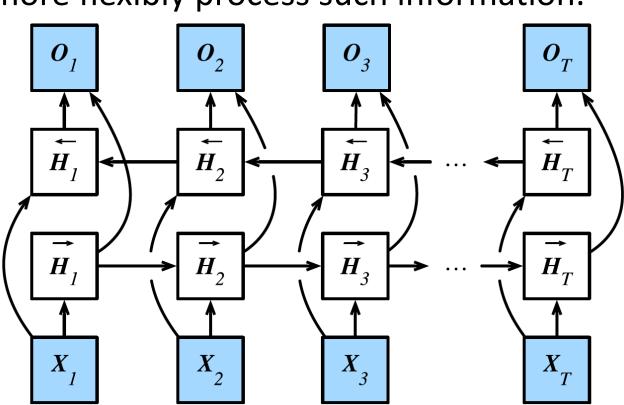
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- Instead of running an RNN only in forward mode starting from the first symbol we start another one from the last symbol running back to front.
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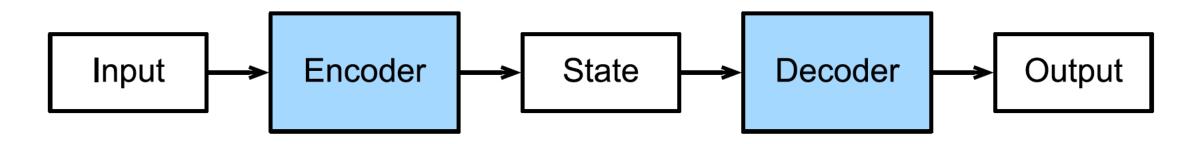
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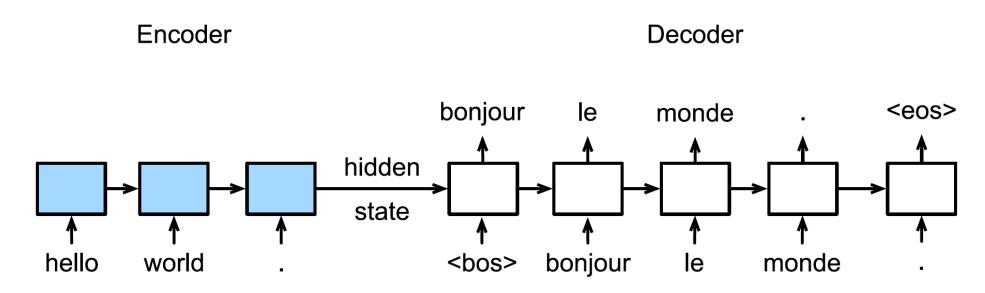


Fig. 10.14.1: The sequence to sequence model architecture.

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        state = self.rnn.begin state(batch size=X.shape[1], ctx=X.context)
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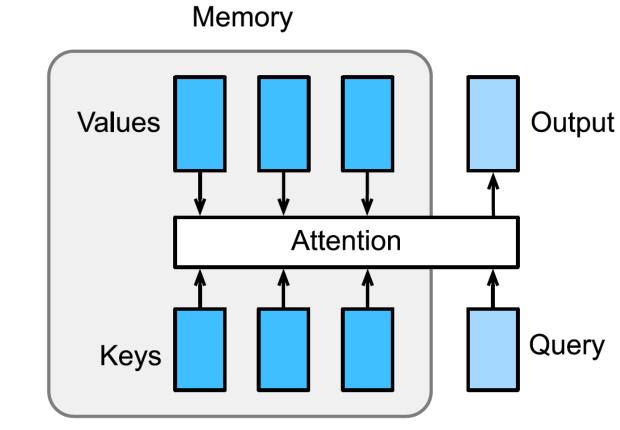
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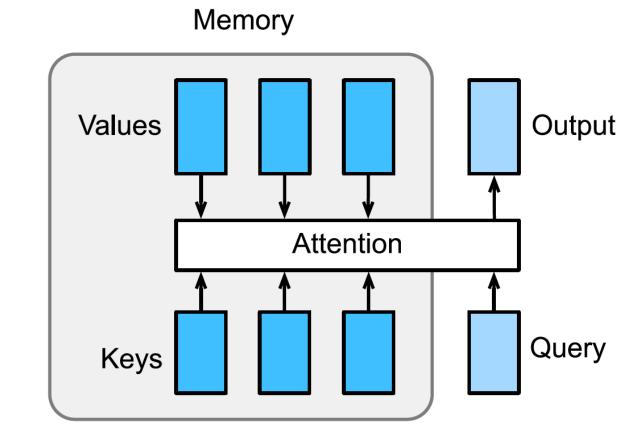
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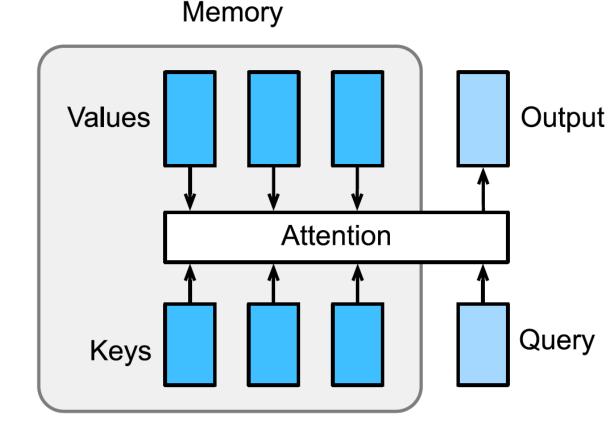
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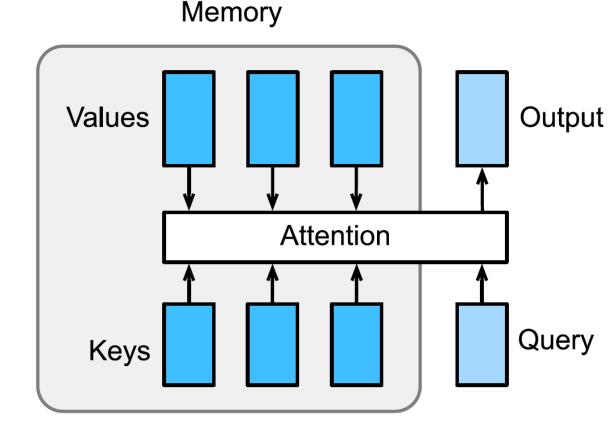
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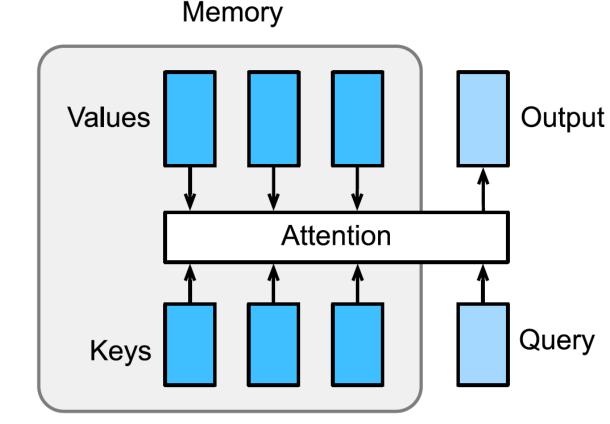
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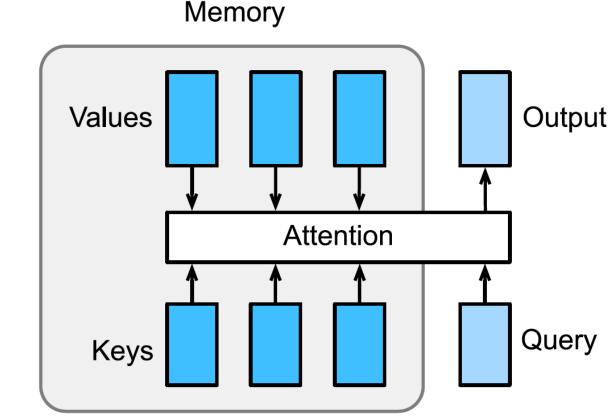
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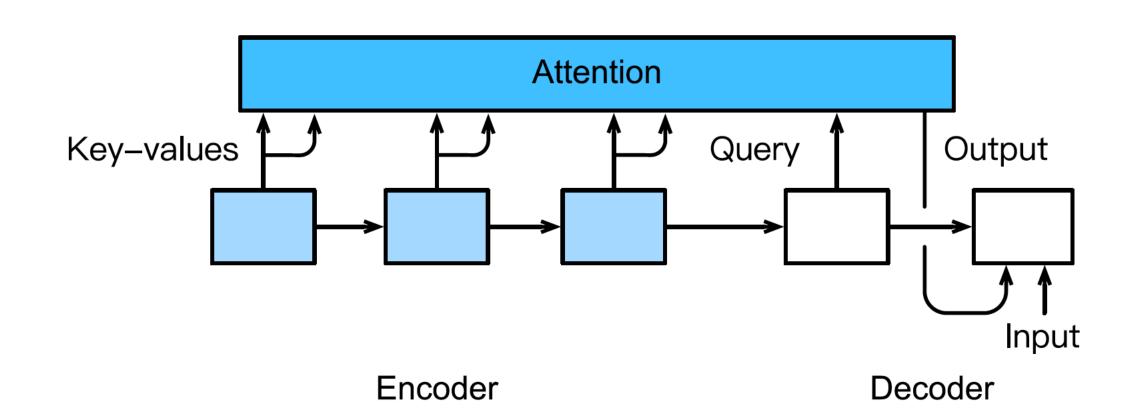
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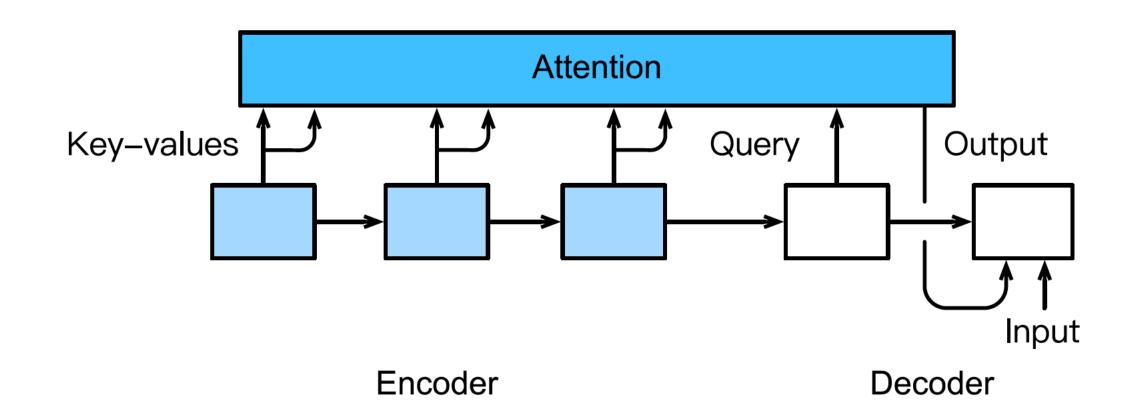
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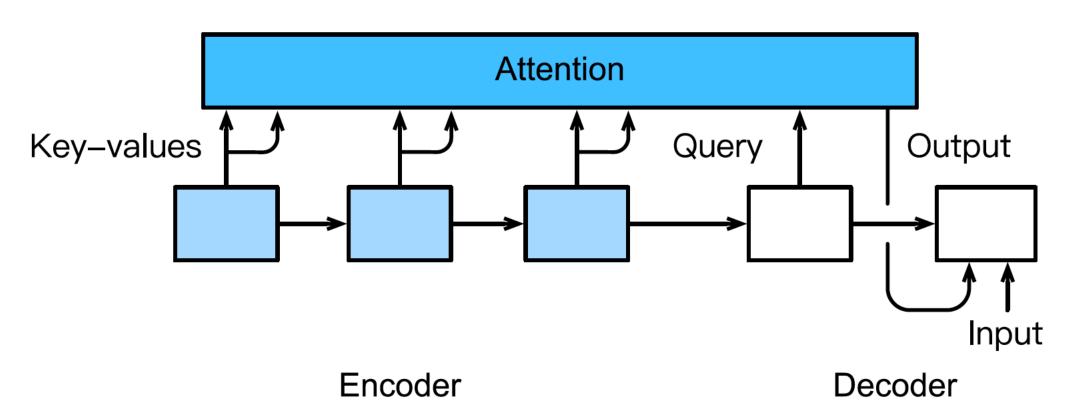
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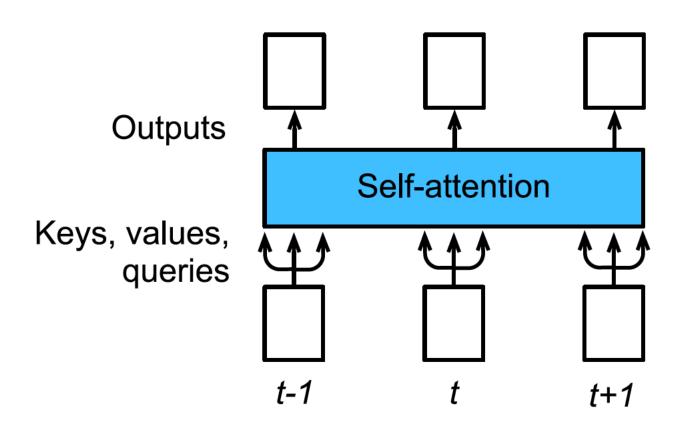
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Transformer

- The Transformer model is also based on the encoder-decoder architecture.
- The transformer replaces the recurrent layers in seq2seq with attention layers.
- Each item in the sequential is copied as the query, the key and the value.
- We call such an attention layer as a self-attention layer.



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- The source sequence embeddings are fed into n repeated blocks.
- The outputs of the last block are then used as attention memory for the decoder.
- The target sequence embeddings are similarly fed into *n* repeated blocks in the decoder.
- The final outputs are obtained by applying a dense layer with vocabulary size to the last block's outputs.

