

Recurrent Neural Network Introduction

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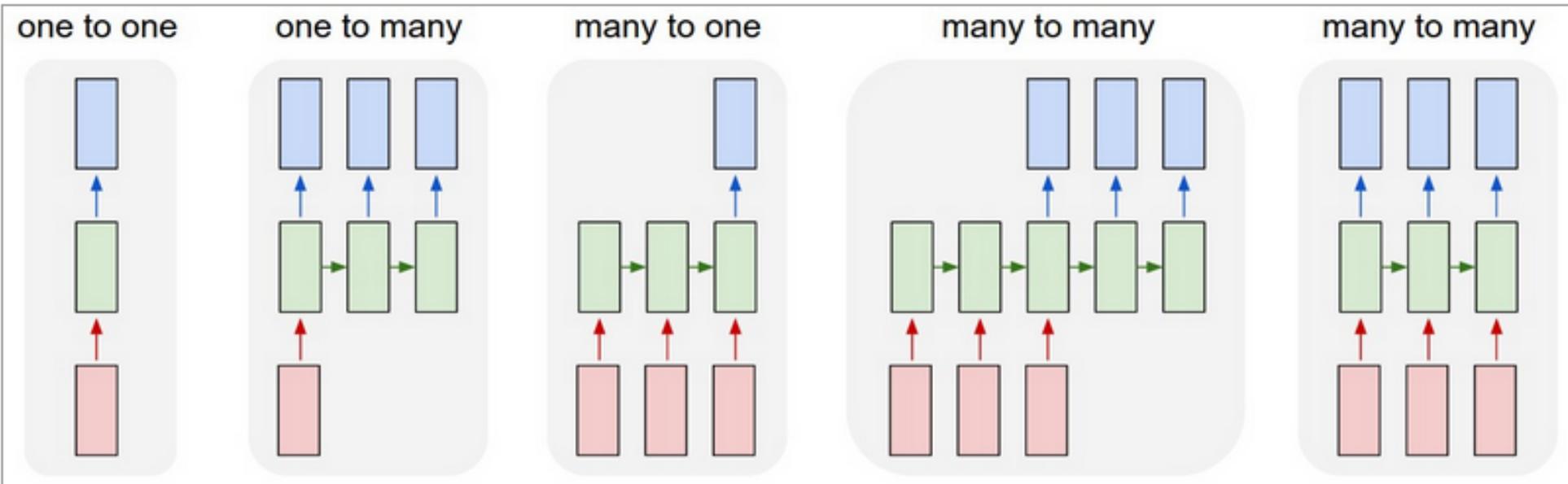
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- Background
- Deep Learning Models
- Training

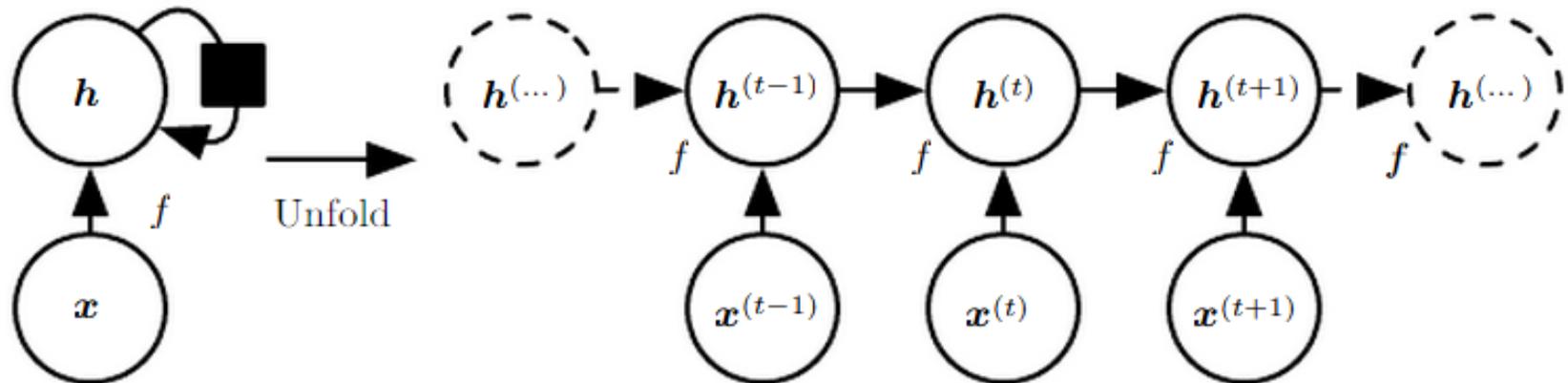
Sharing Parameters

- RNN shares the same weights across several time steps
- makes it possible to extend and apply the model to examples of different forms(different lengths, here)
- Generalize across different forms of data
- Less parameters

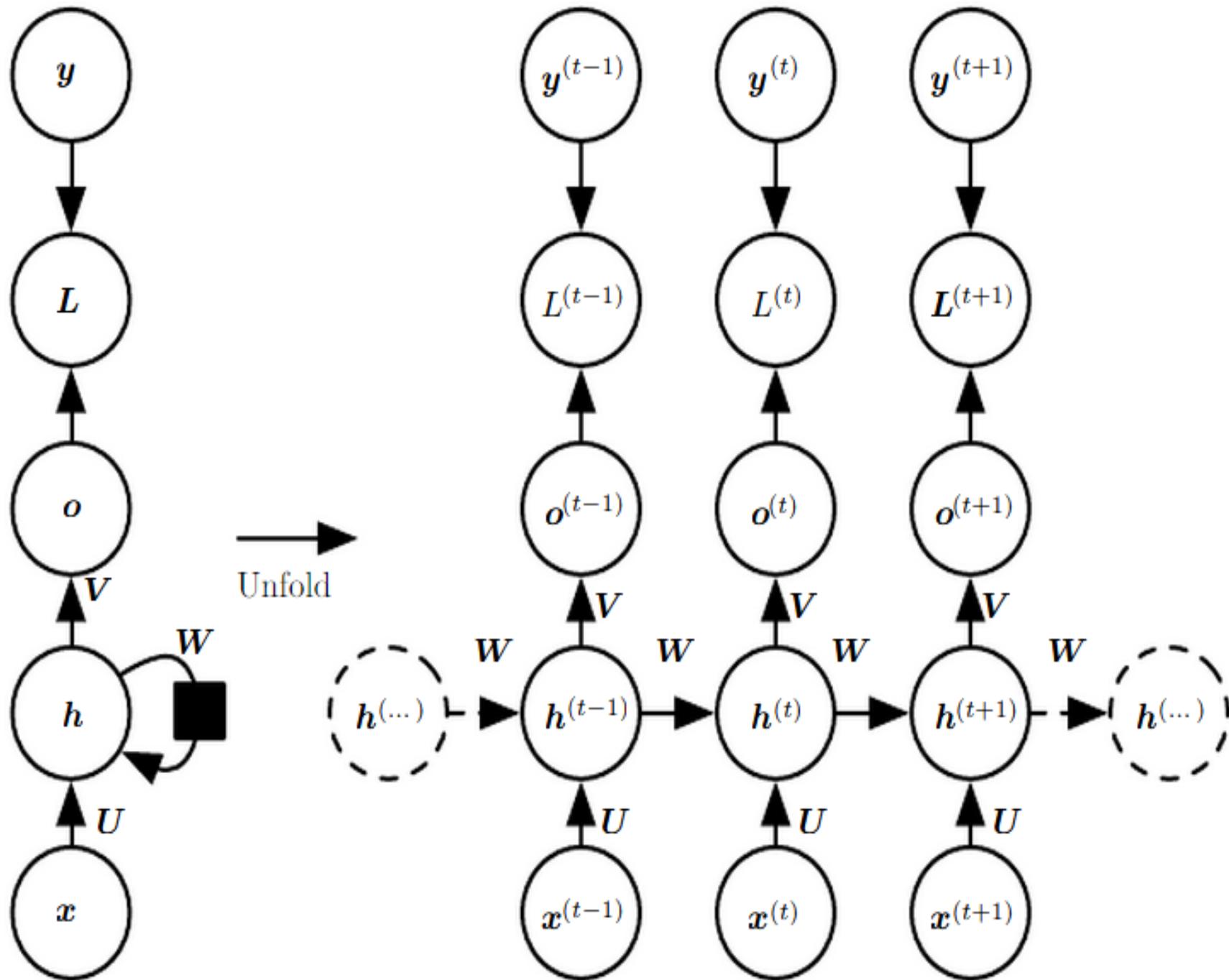
RNN offer a lot of flexibility



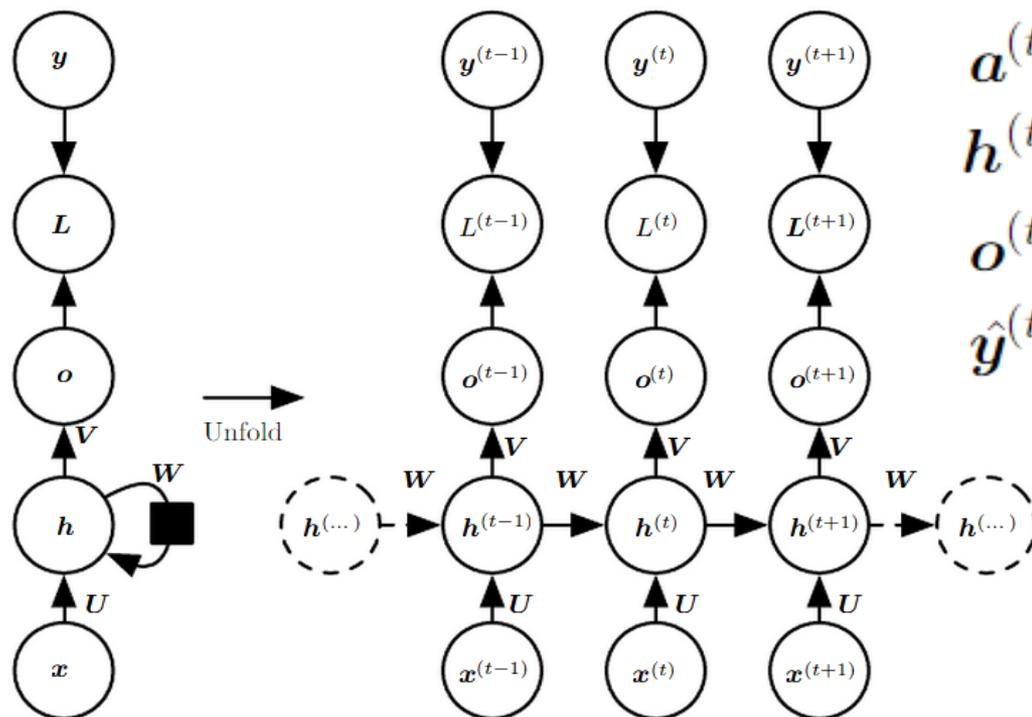
Vanilla Recurrent Networks without output



$$\begin{aligned} h^{(t)} &= g^{(t)}(x^{(t)}, x^{(t-1)}, x^{(t-2)}, \dots, x^{(2)}, x^{(1)}) \\ &= f(h^{(t-1)}, x^{(t)}; \theta) \end{aligned}$$



Vanilla Recurrent Networks



$$a^{(t)} = b + Wh^{(t-1)} + Ux^{(t)}$$

$$h^{(t)} = \tanh(a^{(t)})$$

$$o^{(t)} = c + Vh^{(t)}$$

$$\hat{y}^{(t)} = \text{softmax}(o^{(t)})$$

Negative log-likelihood loss

$$\begin{aligned} & L\left(\{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(\tau)}\}, \{\mathbf{y}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{y}^{(\tau)}\}\right) \\ &= \sum_t L^{(t)} \\ &= - \sum_t \log p_{\text{model}}\left(y^{(t)} \mid \{\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{(t)}\}\right), \end{aligned}$$

Computing the Gradient

$$(\nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L)_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial o_i^{(t)}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial L^{(t)}} \frac{\partial L^{(t)}}{\partial o_i^{(t)}} = \hat{y}_i^{(t)} - \mathbf{1}_{i,y^{(t)}}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t)}} L &= \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(t+1)}}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(t)}} \right)^\top (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t+1)}} L) + \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{o}^{(t)}}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(t)}} \right)^\top (\nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L) \\ &= \mathbf{W}^\top (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t+1)}} L) \text{diag} \left(1 - \left(\mathbf{h}^{(t+1)} \right)^2 \right) + \mathbf{V}^\top (\nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L) \end{aligned}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{c}} L = \sum_t \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{o}^{(t)}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \right)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L = \sum_t \nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{b}} L = \sum_t \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(t)}}{\partial \mathbf{b}^{(t)}} \right)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t)}} L = \sum_t \text{diag} \left(1 - \left(\mathbf{h}^{(t)} \right)^2 \right) \nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t)}} L$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{v}} L = \sum_t \sum_i \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial o_i^{(t)}} \right) \nabla_{\mathbf{v}} o_i^{(t)} = \sum_t (\nabla_{\mathbf{o}^{(t)}} L) \mathbf{h}^{(t)\top}$$

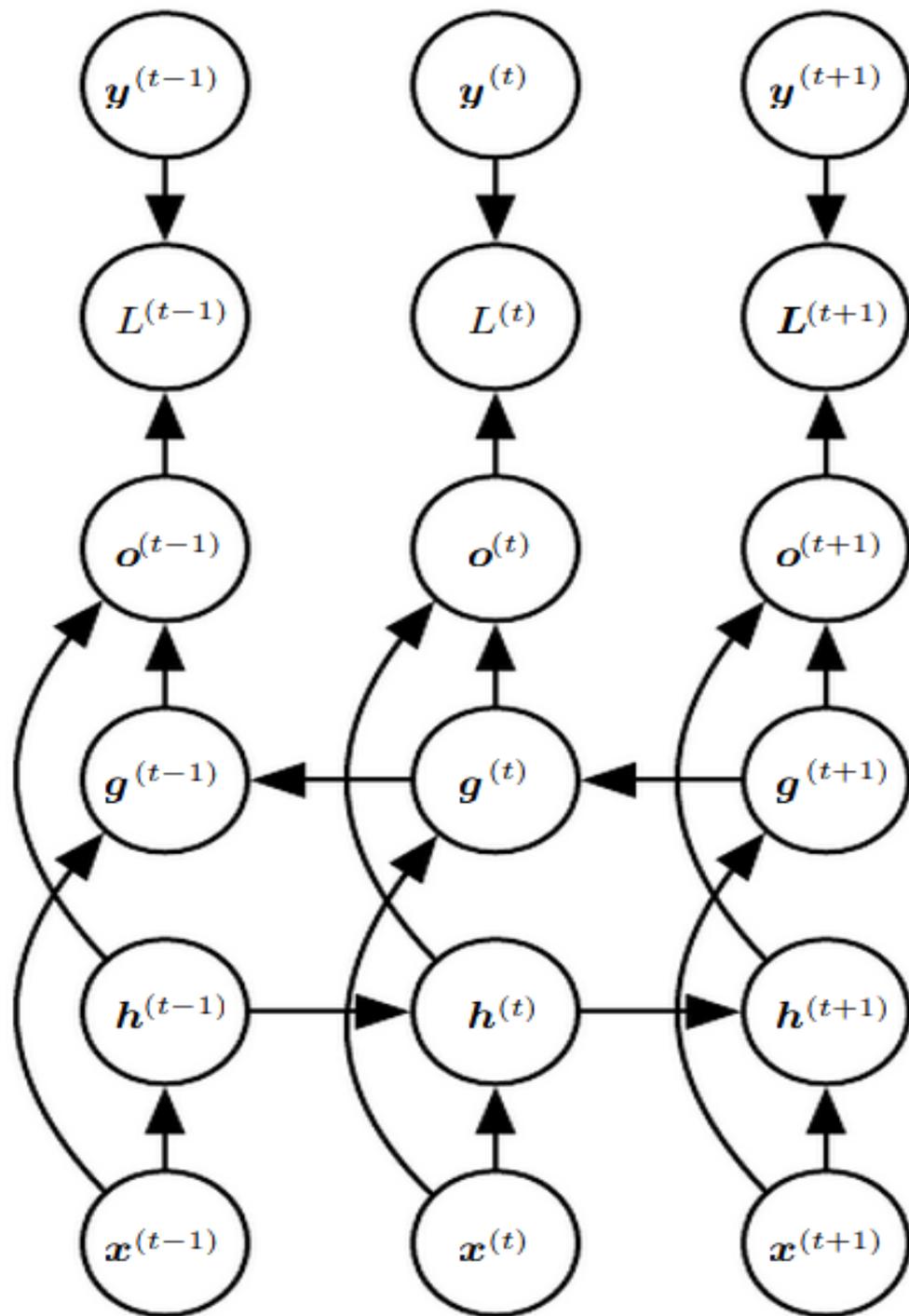
$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L = \sum_t \sum_i \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial h_i^{(t)}} \right) \nabla_{\mathbf{w}^{(t)}} h_i^{(t)}$$

$$= \sum_t \text{diag} \left(1 - \left(\mathbf{h}^{(t)} \right)^2 \right) (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t)}} L) \mathbf{h}^{(t-1)\top}$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{U}} L = \sum_t \sum_i \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial h_i^{(t)}} \right) \nabla_{\mathbf{U}^{(t)}} h_i^{(t)}$$

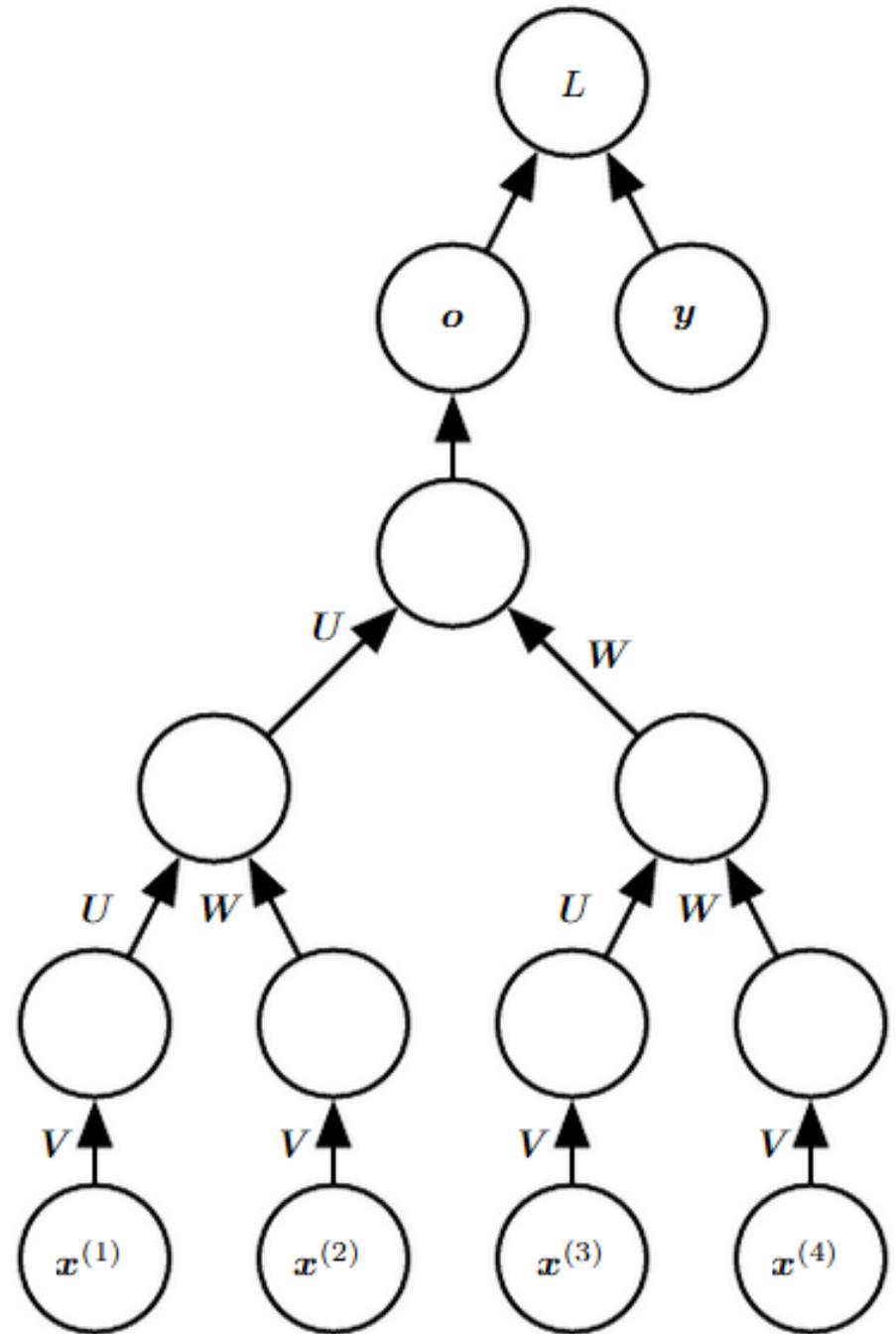
$$= \sum_t \text{diag} \left(1 - \left(\mathbf{h}^{(t)} \right)^2 \right) (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(t)}} L) \mathbf{x}^{(t)\top}$$

Bi-directional RNN



Recursive Networks

A variable-size sequence $x(1), x(2), \dots, x(t)$ can be mapped to a fixed-size representation (the output o)



Long Short-Term Memory

Examples:

Predict the last word in the text :

“I grew up in France

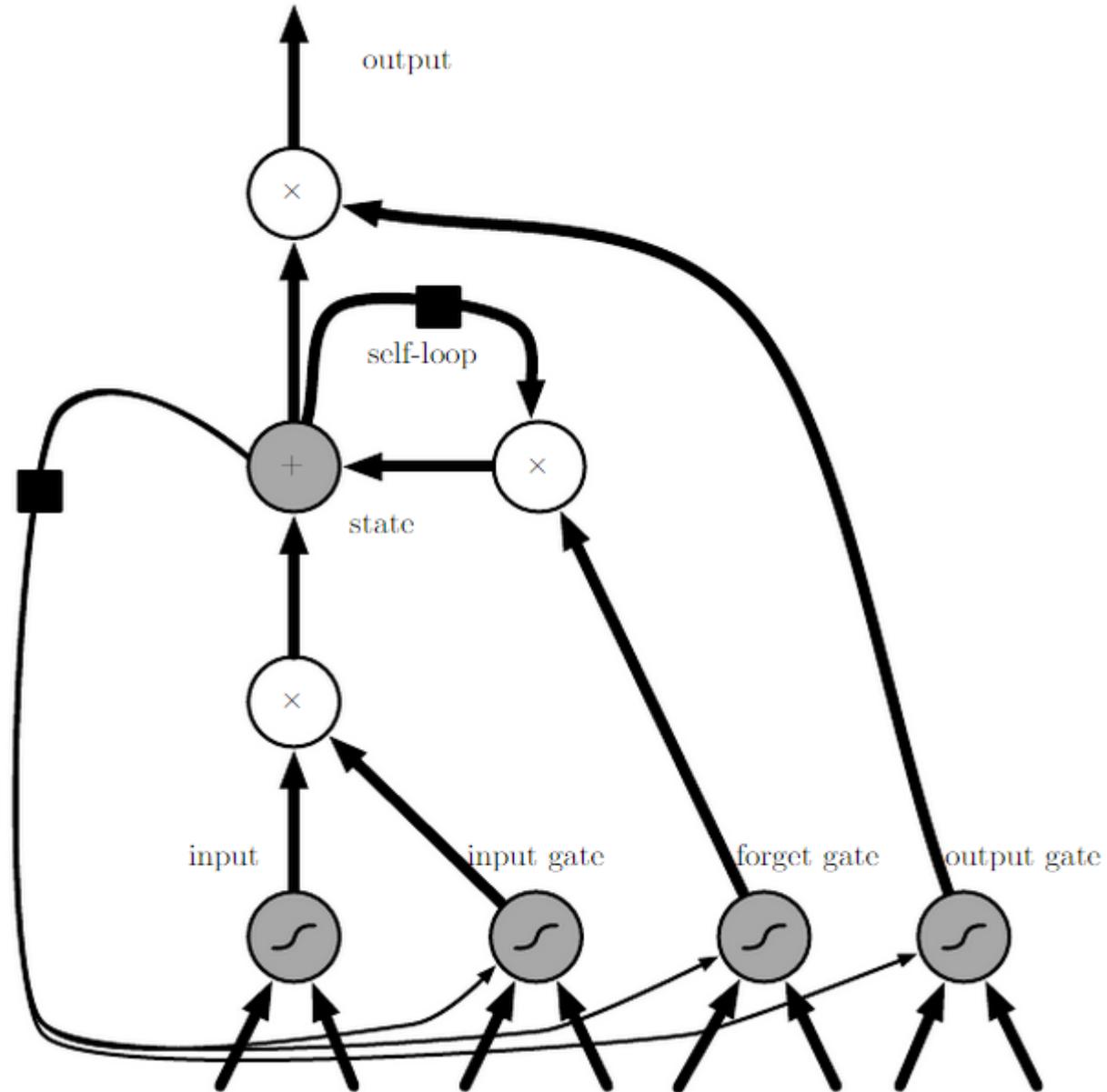
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I speak fluent French.”

Long



LSTM Functions

Forget
Gate

$$f_i^{(t)} = \sigma \left(b_i^f + \sum_j U_{i,j}^f x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^f h_j^{(t-1)} \right)$$

External
Input
Gate

$$g_i^{(t)} = \sigma \left(b_i^g + \sum_j U_{i,j}^g x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^g h_j^{(t-1)} \right)$$

Output
Gate

$$q_i^{(t)} = \sigma \left(b_i^o + \sum_j U_{i,j}^o x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^o h_j^{(t-1)} \right)$$

LSTM Functions

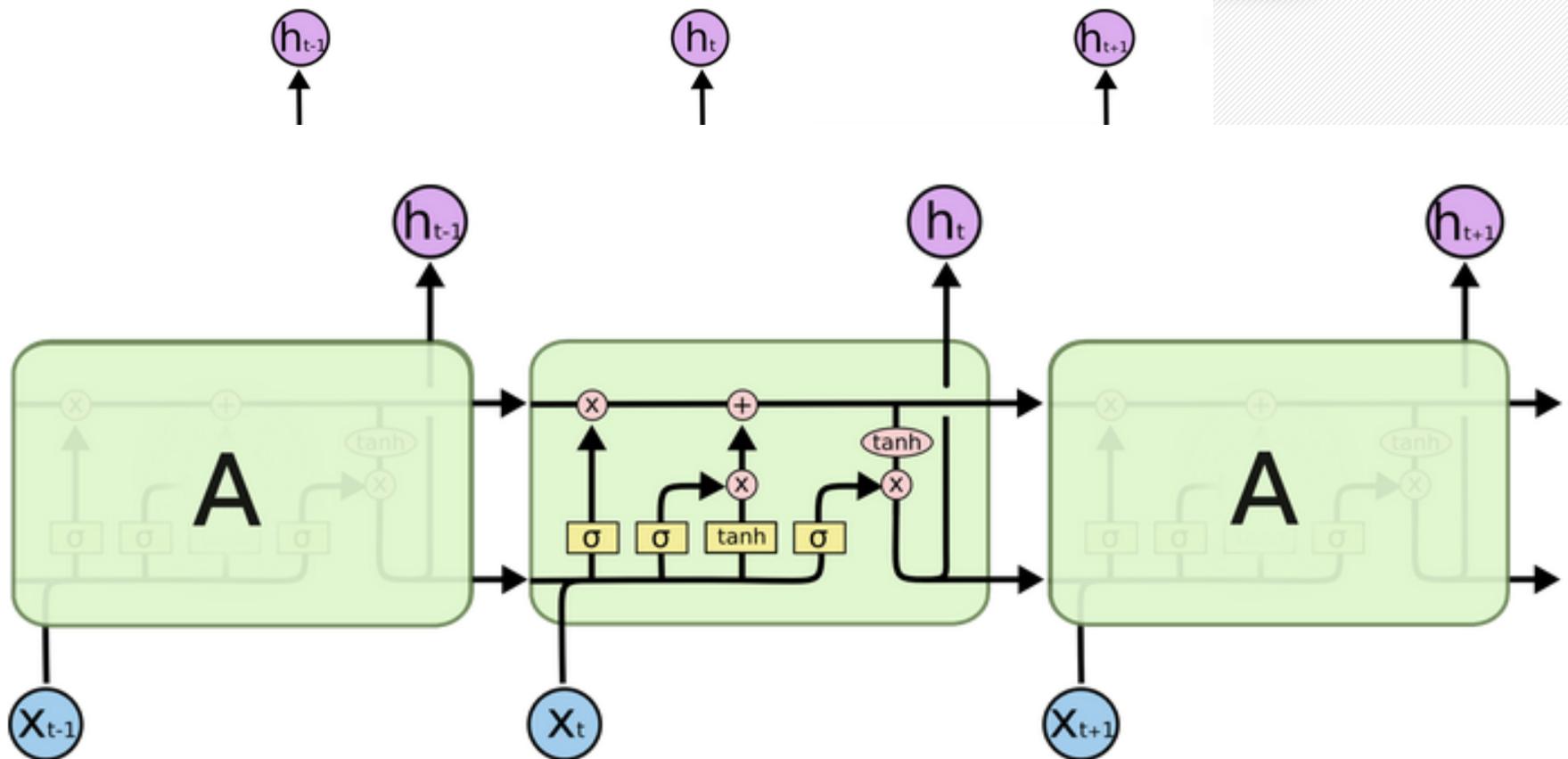
Internal Memory cell

$$s_i^{(t)} = f_i^{(t)} s_i^{(t-1)} + g_i^{(t)} \sigma \left(b_i + \sum_j U_{i,j} x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j} h_j^{(t-1)} \right)$$

Output

$$h_i^{(t)} = \tanh \left(s_i^{(t)} \right) q_i^{(t)}$$

The core idea of LSTM



Gated Recurrent Units

- Update gate:

$$u_i^{(t)} = \sigma \left(b_i^u + \sum_j U_{i,j}^u x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^u h_j^{(t)} \right)$$

- Reset gate:

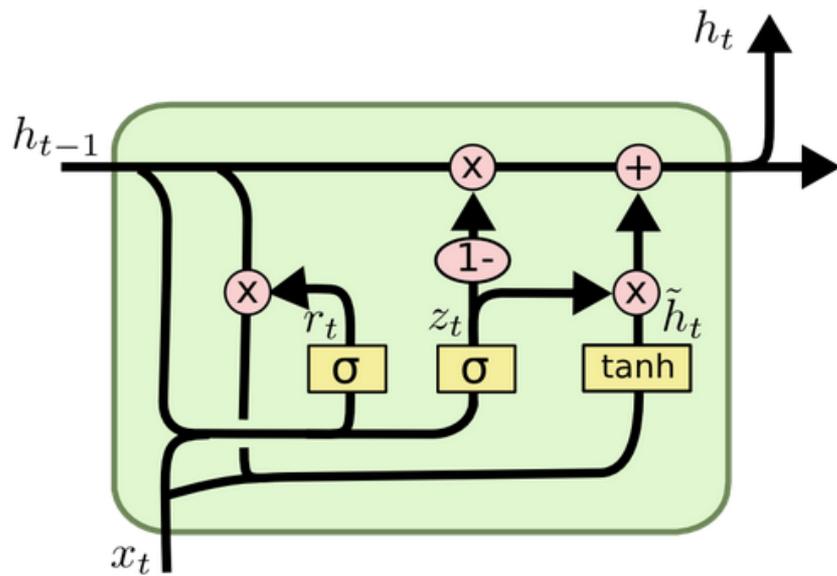
$$r_i^{(t)} = \sigma \left(b_i^r + \sum_j U_{i,j}^r x_j^{(t)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^r h_j^{(t)} \right)$$

Gated Recurrent Units

Update Equation

$$h_i^{(t)} = u_i^{(t-1)} h_i^{(t-1)} + (1 - u_i^{(t-1)}) \sigma \left(b_i + \sum_j U_{i,j} x_j^{(t-1)} + \sum_j W_{i,j} r_j^{(t-1)} h_j^{(t-1)} \right)$$

Gated Recurrent Units



$$z_t = \sigma (W_z \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t])$$

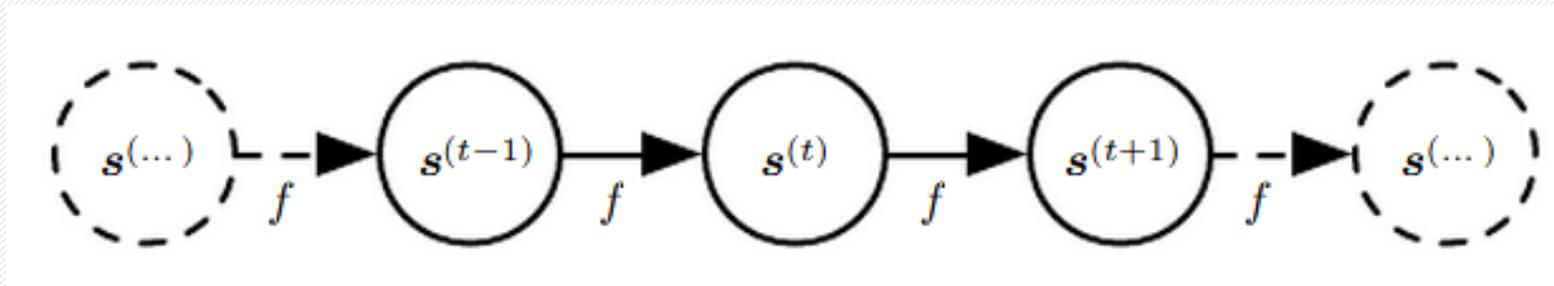
$$r_t = \sigma (W_r \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t])$$

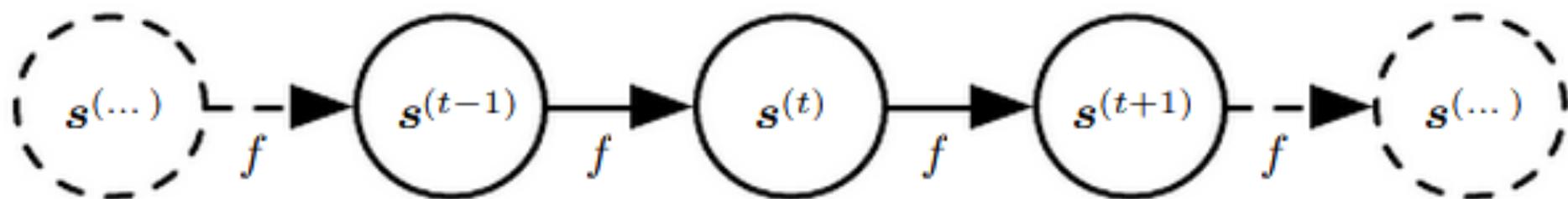
$$\tilde{h}_t = \tanh (W \cdot [r_t * h_{t-1}, x_t])$$

$$h_t = (1 - z_t) * h_{t-1} + z_t * \tilde{h}_t$$

Long Term Dependency

- Example:





$$h^{(t)} = W^{\top} h^{(t-1)}$$

$$h^{(t)} = (W^t)^{\top} h^{(0)}$$

$$W^t = (V \text{diag}(\lambda) V^{-1})^t = V \text{diag}(\lambda)^t V^{-1}$$

$$h^{(t)} = Q^{\top} \Lambda^t Q h^{(0)}$$

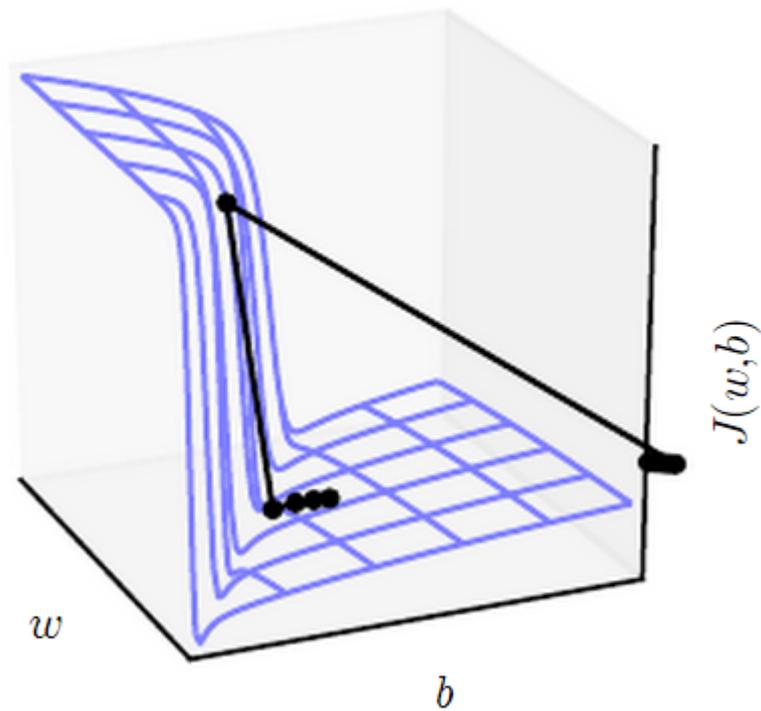
Clipping Gradients

- Element-wise clipping
- clip the norm $\|g\|$

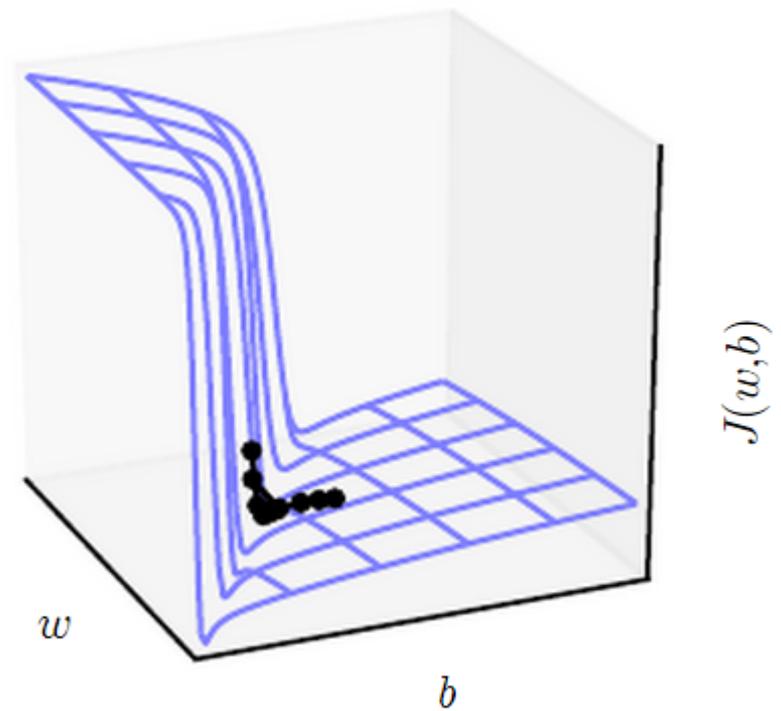
$$\text{if } \|g\| > v$$
$$g \leftarrow \frac{gv}{\|g\|}$$

Clipping Gradients

Without clipping



With clipping



RNN Research

- **Attention Mechanism**
- **Grid LSTM**
- **Generative Models**
- ...

Implem

```
# Input Gate
i = tf.sigmoid(
    tf.matmul(x, self.Wi) +
    tf.matmul(previous_hidden_state, self.Ui) + self.bi
)

# Forget Gate
f = tf.sigmoid(
    tf.matmul(x, self.Wf) +
    tf.matmul(previous_hidden_state, self.Uf) + self.bf
)

# Output Gate
o = tf.sigmoid(
    tf.matmul(x, self.Wog) +
    tf.matmul(previous_hidden_state, self.Uog) + self.bog
)

# New Memory Cell
c_ = tf.nn.tanh(
    tf.matmul(x, self.Wc) +
    tf.matmul(previous_hidden_state, self.Uc) + self.bc
)

# Final Memory cell
c = f * c_prev + i * c_

# Current Hidden state
current_hidden_state = o * tf.nn.tanh(c)
```

Summary

- RNNs allow a lot of flexibility in architecture design
- Vanilla RNNs are simple but don't work very well
- Common to use LSTM or GRU: their additive interactions improve gradient flow
- Backward flow of gradients in RNN can explode or vanish. Exploding is controlled with gradient clipping. Vanishing is controlled with additive interactions (LSTM)
- Better/simpler architectures are a hot topic of current research
- Better understanding (both theoretical and empirical) is needed.