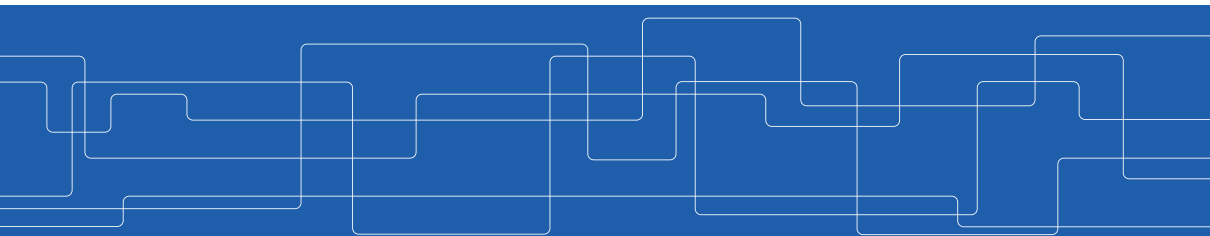




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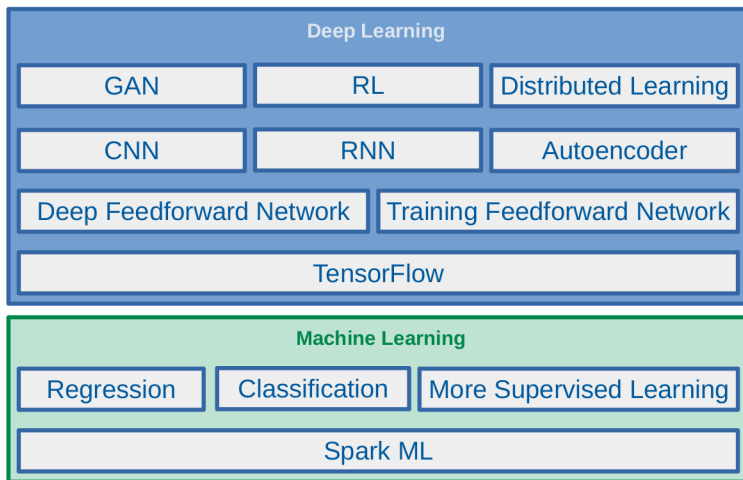




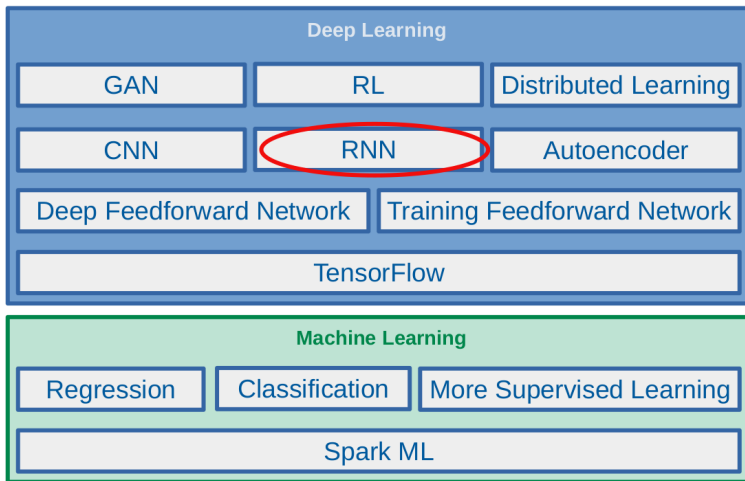
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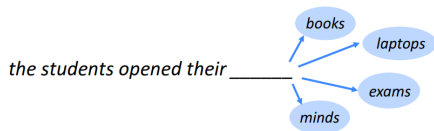
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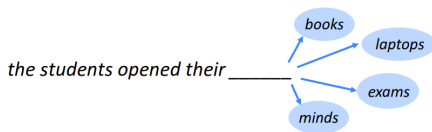
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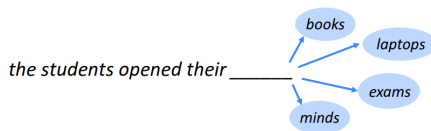


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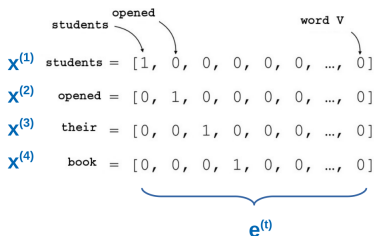
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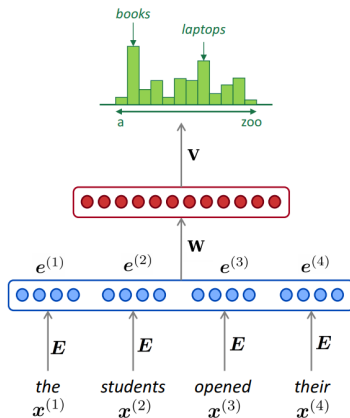
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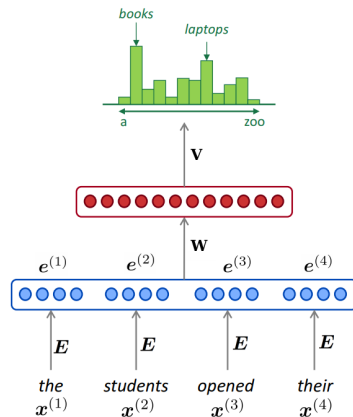
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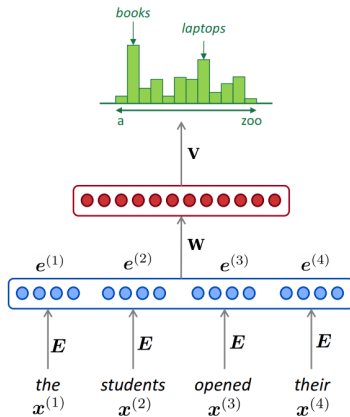
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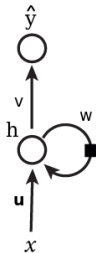
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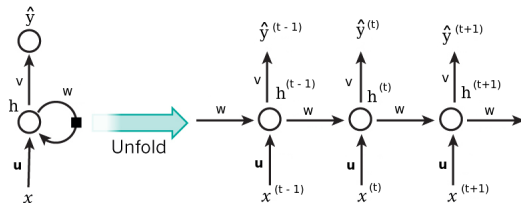
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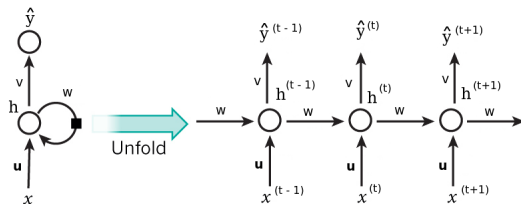
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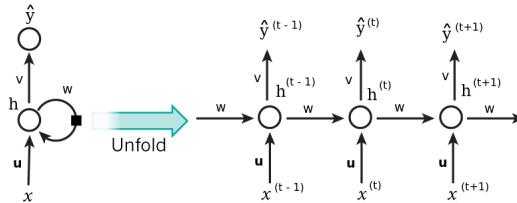
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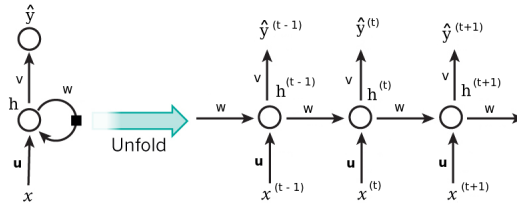
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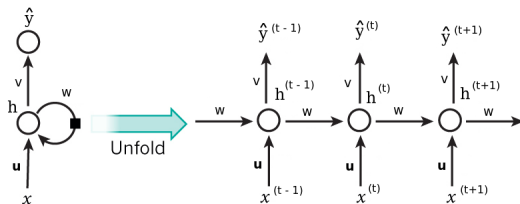
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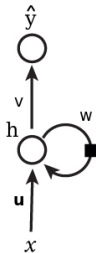
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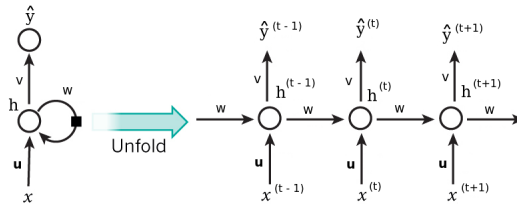




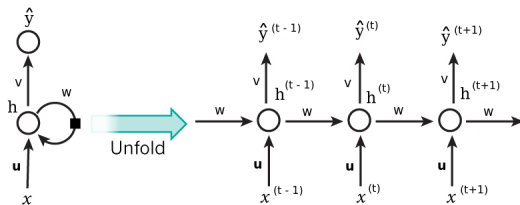


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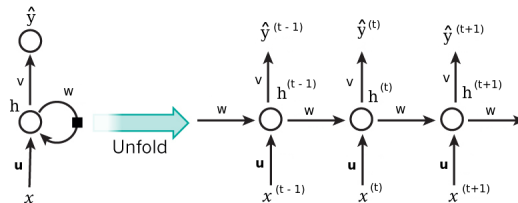
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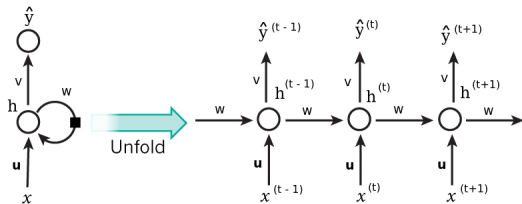
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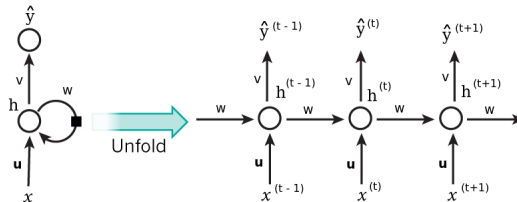


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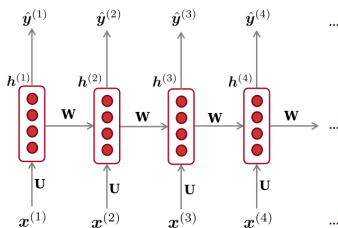
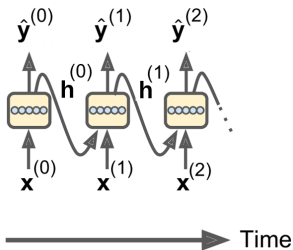


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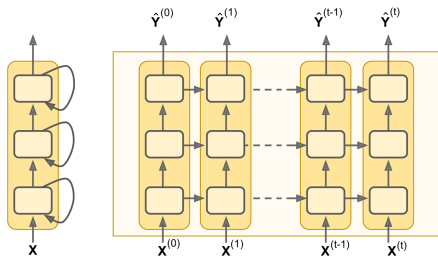
- At each time step  $t$ , every neuron of a **layer** receives both the **input vector**  $\mathbf{x}^{(t)}$  and the **output vector** from the previous time step  $\mathbf{h}^{(t-1)}$ .

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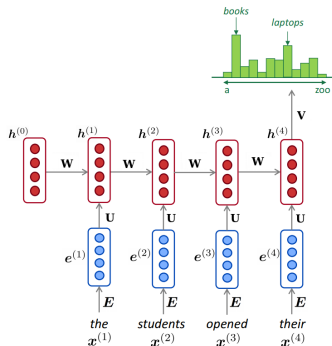
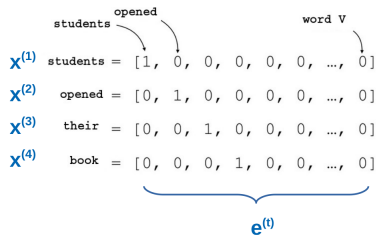




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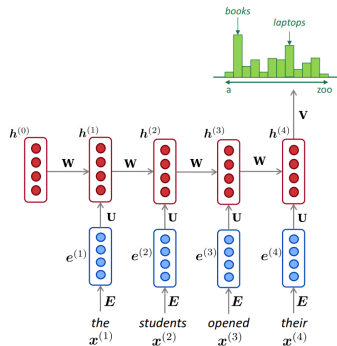
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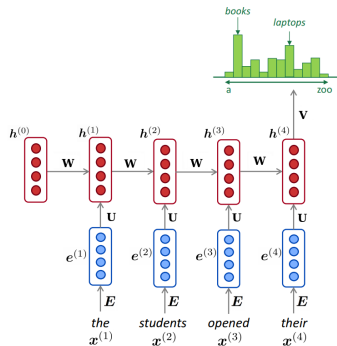
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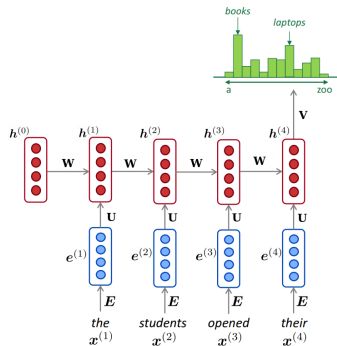
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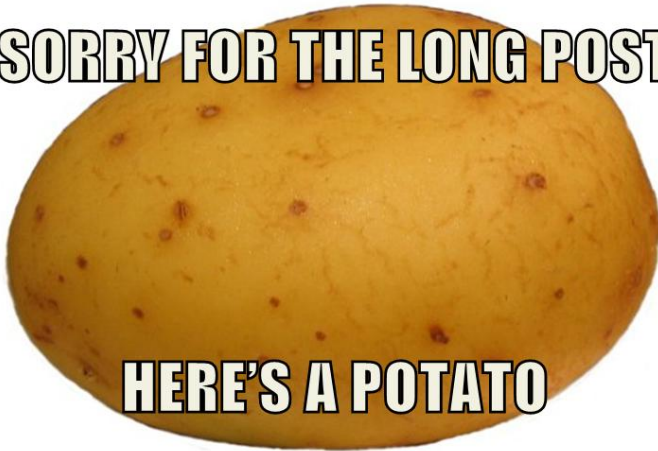


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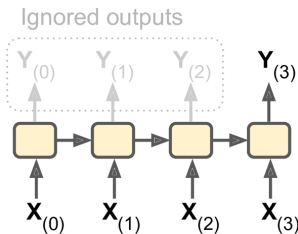


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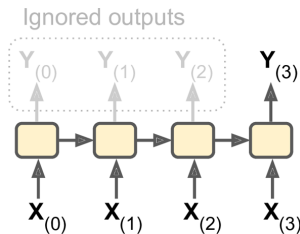
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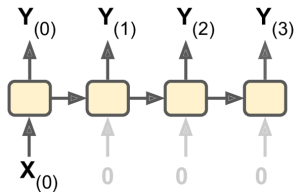
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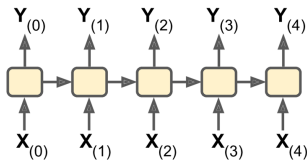
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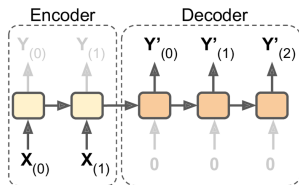
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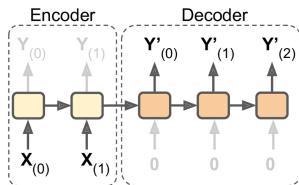
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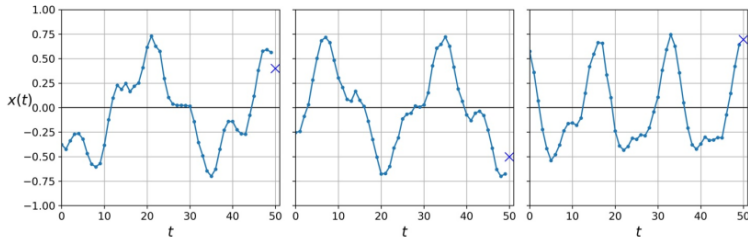


# RNN in TensorFlow



## RNN in TensorFlow (1/5)

- ▶ Forecasting a **time series**
- ▶ E.g., a dataset of 10000 time series, each of them **50 time steps long**.
- ▶ The goal here is to **forecast the value at the next time step** (represented by the X) for each of them.





## RNN in TensorFlow (2/5)

- Use fully connected network

```
model = keras.models.Sequential([
    keras.layers.Flatten(input_shape=[50, 1]),
    keras.layers.Dense(1)
])

model.compile(loss="mse", optimizer="adam")
history = model.fit(X_train, y_train, epochs=20)

model.evaluate(X_test, y_test, verbose=0)
# loss: 0.003993967570985357
```



## RNN in TensorFlow (3/5)

### ► Simple RNN

```
model = keras.models.Sequential([
    keras.layers.SimpleRNN(1, input_shape=[None, 1])
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model.evaluate(X_test, y_test, verbose=0)
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```

## ► Deep RNN

```
model = keras.models.Sequential([
    keras.layers.SimpleRNN(20, return_sequences=True, input_shape=[None, 1]),
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## RNN in TensorFlow (5/5)

- ▶ Deep RNN (second implementation)
- ▶ Make the second layer return only the **last output** (no `return_sequences`)

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model = keras.models.Sequential([
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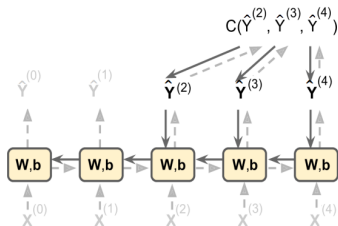


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- ▶ To **train an RNN**, we should **unroll it through time** and then simply use **regular backpropagation**.
- ▶ This strategy is called **backpropagation through time (BPTT)**.

# Backpropagation Through Time (1/3)

- ▶ To train the model using **BPTT**, we go through the following steps:
  - ▶ 1. **Forward pass** through the **unrolled network** (represented by the dashed arrows).
  - ▶ 2. The **cost function** is  $C(\hat{y}^{t_{\min}}, \hat{y}^{t_{\min}+1}, \dots, \hat{y}^{t_{\max}})$ , where  $t_{\min}$  and  $t_{\max}$  are the first and last output time steps, **not counting the ignored outputs**.

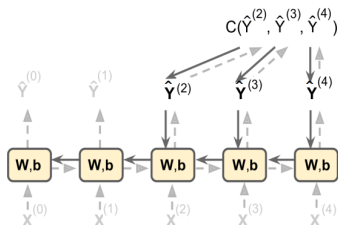




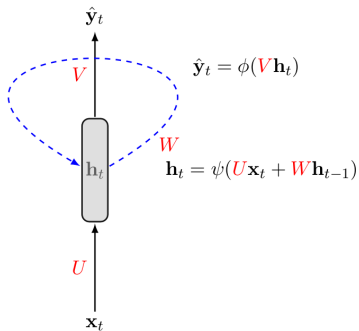
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## Backpropagation Through Time (3/3)

- ▶ The gradients **flow backward** through **all the outputs** used by the cost function, **not just through the final output**.
- ▶ For example, in the following figure:
  - The **cost function** is computed using the **last three outputs**,  $\hat{y}^{(2)}$ ,  $\hat{y}^{(3)}$ , and  $\hat{y}^{(4)}$ .
  - Gradients flow through these three outputs, but **not through**  $\hat{y}^{(0)}$  and  $\hat{y}^{(1)}$ .



# BPTT Step by Step (1/20)





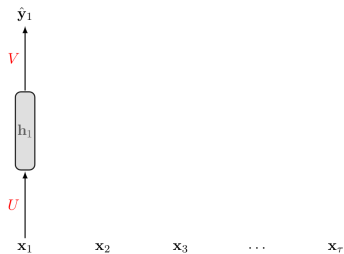
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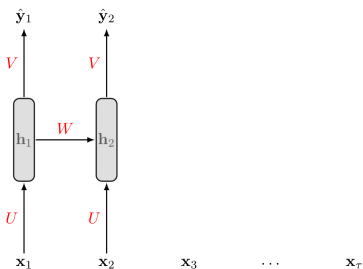


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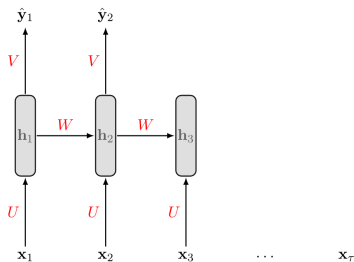


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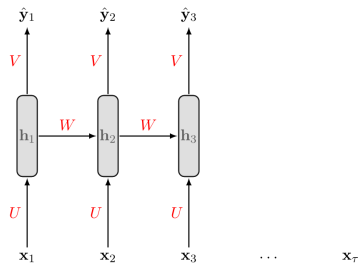




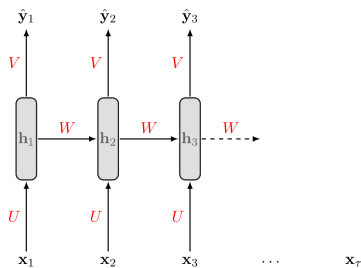
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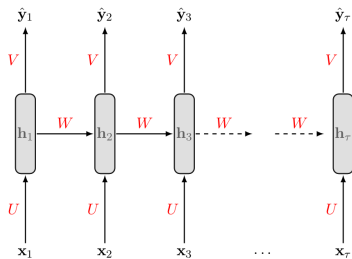


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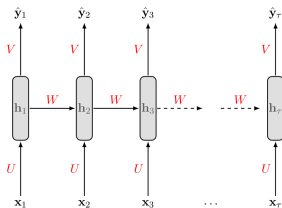


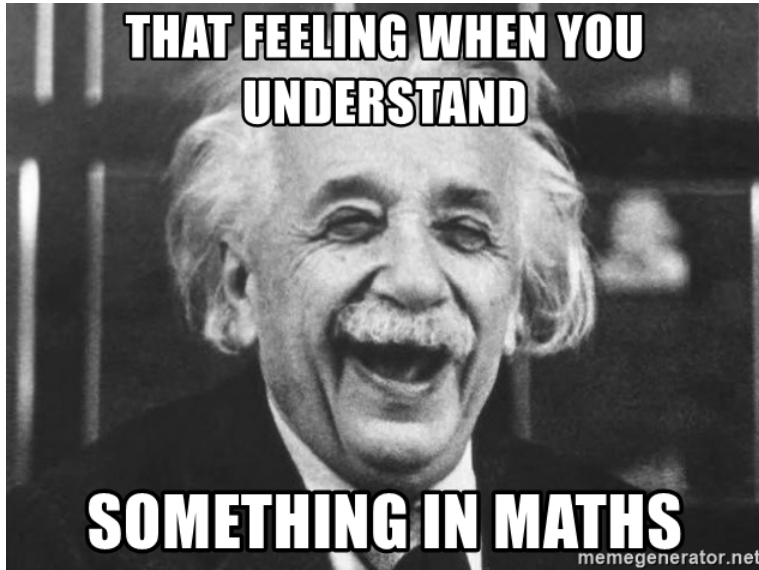


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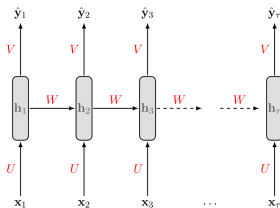




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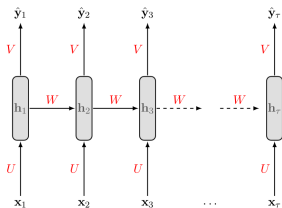
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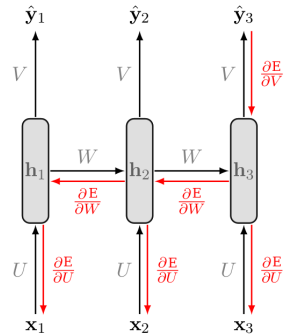


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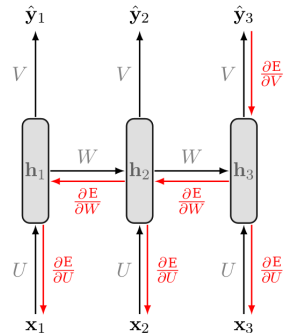


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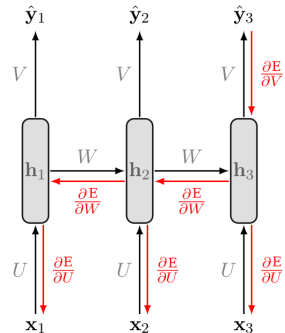
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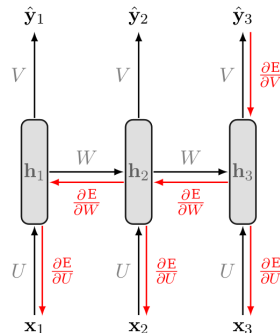
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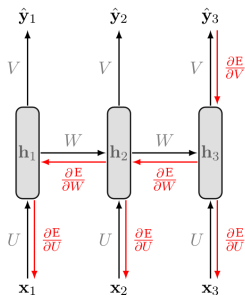
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## BPTT Step by Step (16/20)

- ▶ Let's compute the derivatives of  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$  and  $\frac{\partial J}{\partial \mathbf{u}}$ , which are **computed the same**.
- ▶ A change in  $\mathbf{w}$  at  $t = 3$  will impact our cost  $J$  in 3 separate ways:
  1. When computing the value of  $\mathbf{h}^{(1)}$ .
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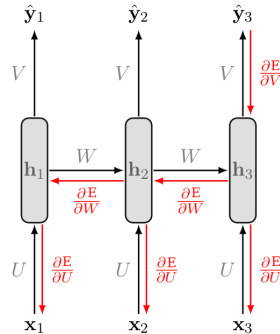


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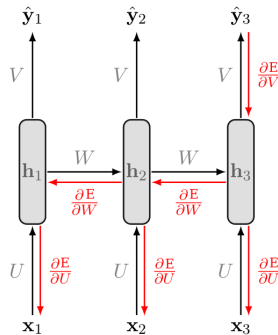
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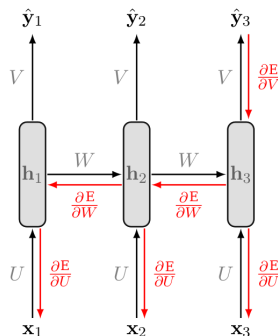
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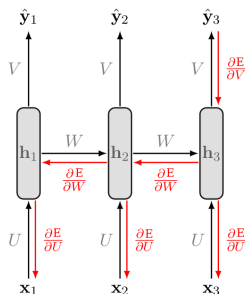
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# BPTT Step by Step (20/20)

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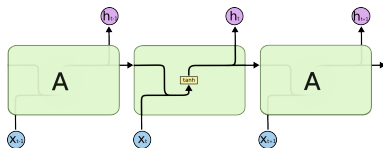


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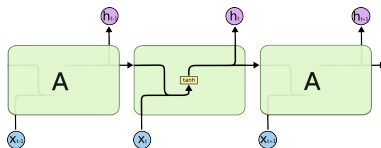
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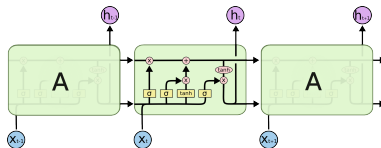


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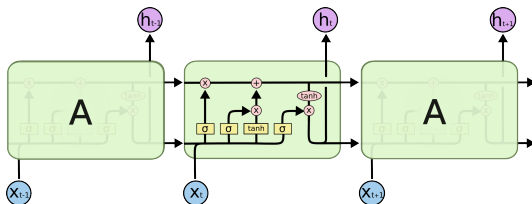


- ▶ An **LSTM** contains **four interacting layers** in each cell.



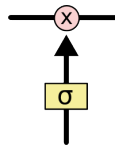
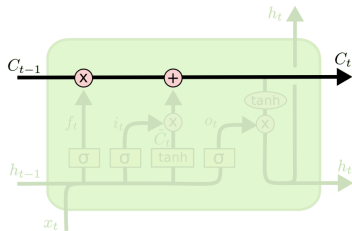
# LSTM (1/2)

- In LSTM **state** is split in **two vectors**:
1.  $h^{(t)}$  (**h** stands for **hidden**): the **short-term** state
  2.  $c^{(t)}$  (**c** stands for **cell**): the **long-term** state



# LSTM (2/2)

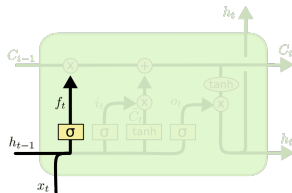
- ▶ The **cell state** (long-term state), the **horizontal line** on the top of the diagram.
- ▶ The LSTM can **remove/add information** to the **cell state**, regulated by **three gates**.
  - Forget gate, input gate and output gate



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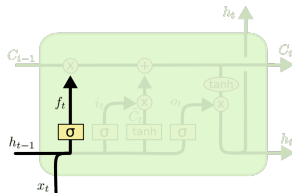
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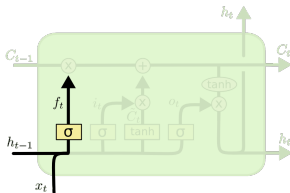
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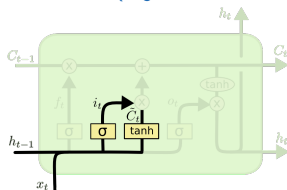
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  - 1 represents **completely keep this**, and 0 represents **completely get rid of this**.

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- $$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{i}^{(t)} &= \sigma(\mathbf{u}_i^\top \mathbf{x}^{(t)} + \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{h}^{(t-1)}) \\ \tilde{\mathbf{c}}^{(t)} &= \tanh(\mathbf{u}_{\tilde{\mathbf{c}}}^\top \mathbf{x}^{(t)} + \mathbf{w}_{\tilde{\mathbf{c}}} \mathbf{h}^{(t-1)}) \end{aligned}$$

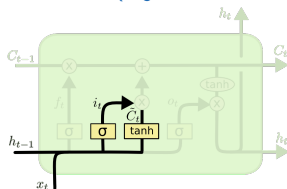


## Step-by-Step LSTM Walk Through (2/4)

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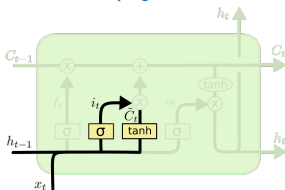


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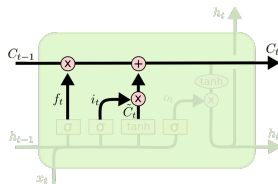
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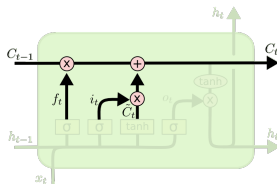
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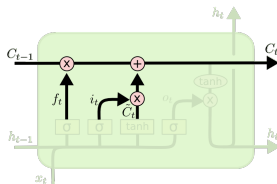
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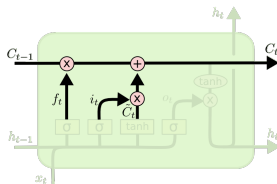
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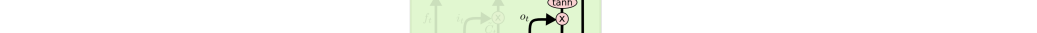
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- ▶ This is the new candidate values, scaled by how much we decided to update each state value.

$$c^{(t)} = f^{(t)} \otimes c^{(t-1)} + i^{(t)} \otimes \tilde{c}^{(t)}$$



$$h^{(t)} = o^{(t)} \otimes \tanh(c^{(t)})$$

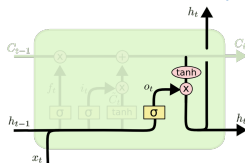


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- ▶ **Fourth step:** decides about the **output**.
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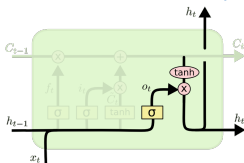


## Step-by-Step LSTM Walk Through (4/4)

- ▶ **Fourth step:** decides about the **output**.
- ▶ First, runs a **sigmoid layer** that decides **what parts of the cell state** we are going to **output**.
- ▶ Then, puts the cell state through **tanh** and multiplies it by the output of the **sigmoid gate (output gate)**, so that it **only outputs the parts it decided to**.

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## ► Use LSTM

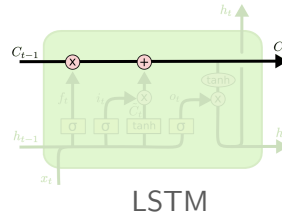
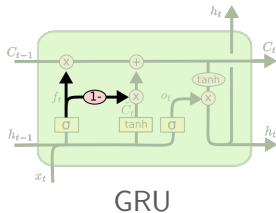
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])

model.compile(loss="mse", optimizer="adam", metrics=[last_time_step_mse])
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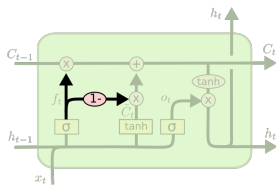
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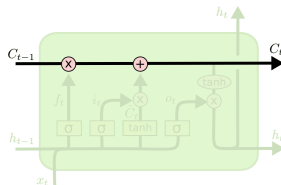
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GRU

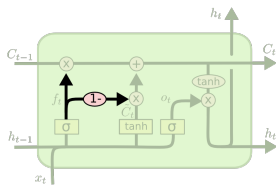


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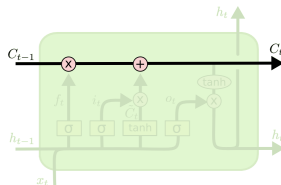
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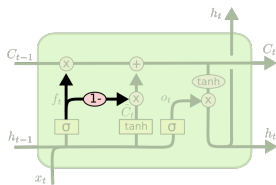


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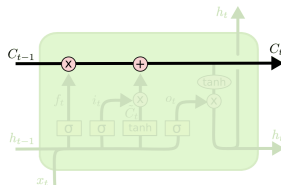
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  - It only **forgets** when it is going to input something in its place.
  - It only **inputs new values** to the state when it forgets something older.

$$c^{(t)} = f^{(t)} \otimes c^{(t-1)} + (1 - f^{(t)}) \otimes \tilde{c}^{(t)}$$



GRU



LSTM

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# Summary



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- ▶ Unfolding the network
- ▶ Three weights
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- ▶ Backpropagation through time
- ▶ LSTM and GRU





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