



Recurrent Neural Network (1)

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Review

Word Vector

Word2Vec Variants

Skip-gram: predicting surrounding words given the target word (Mikolov+, 2013)

$$p(w_{t-m}, \dots, w_{t-1}, w_{t+1}, \dots, w_{t+m} \mid w_t)$$

CBOW (continuous bag-of-words): predicting the target word given the surrounding words (Mikolov+, 2013)

$$p(w_t \mid w_{t-m}, \dots, w_{t-1}, w_{t+1}, \dots, w_{t+m})$$

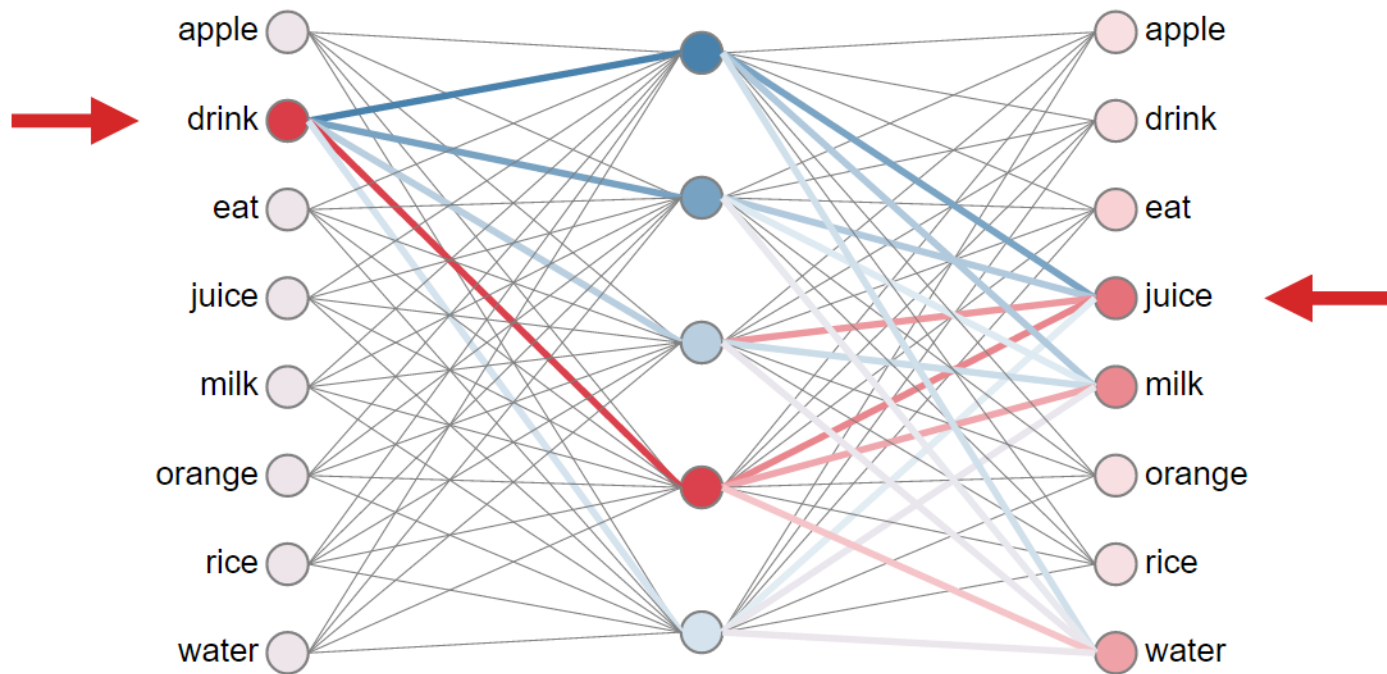
LM (Language modeling): predicting the next words given the preceding contexts (Mikolov+, 2013)

$$p(w_{t+1} \mid w_t)$$

Word2Vec LM

Goal: predicting the next words given the preceding contexts

$$p(w_{t+1} | w_t)$$



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Language Modeling

Goal: estimate the probability of a word sequence

$$P(w_1, \dots, w_m)$$

Example task: determine whether a sequence is grammatical or makes more sense



recognize speech
or
wreck a nice beach

If $P(\text{recognize speech})$
> $P(\text{wreck a nice beach})$

Output =
“recognize speech”

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N-Gram Language Modeling

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N-gram language model

- Probability is conditioned on a window of $(n-1)$ previous words

$$P(w_1, \dots, w_m) = \prod_{i=1}^m P(w_i | w_1, \dots, w_{i-1}) \approx \prod_{i=1}^m P(w_i | w_{i-(n-1)}, \dots, w_{i-1})$$

- Estimate the probability based on the training data

$$P(\text{beach} | \text{nice}) = \frac{C(\text{nice beach})}{C(\text{nice})}$$

Count of “nice beach” in the training data

Count of “nice” in the training data

Issue: some sequences may not appear in the training data

N-Gram Language Modeling

Training data:

- The dog ran
- The cat jumped

$$P(\text{jumped} \mid \text{dog}) = \cancel{0} \quad 0.0001$$

$$P(\text{ran} \mid \text{cat}) = \cancel{0} \quad 0.0001$$

give some small probability
→ smoothing

- The probability is not accurate.
- The phenomenon happens because we cannot collect all the possible text in the world as training data.

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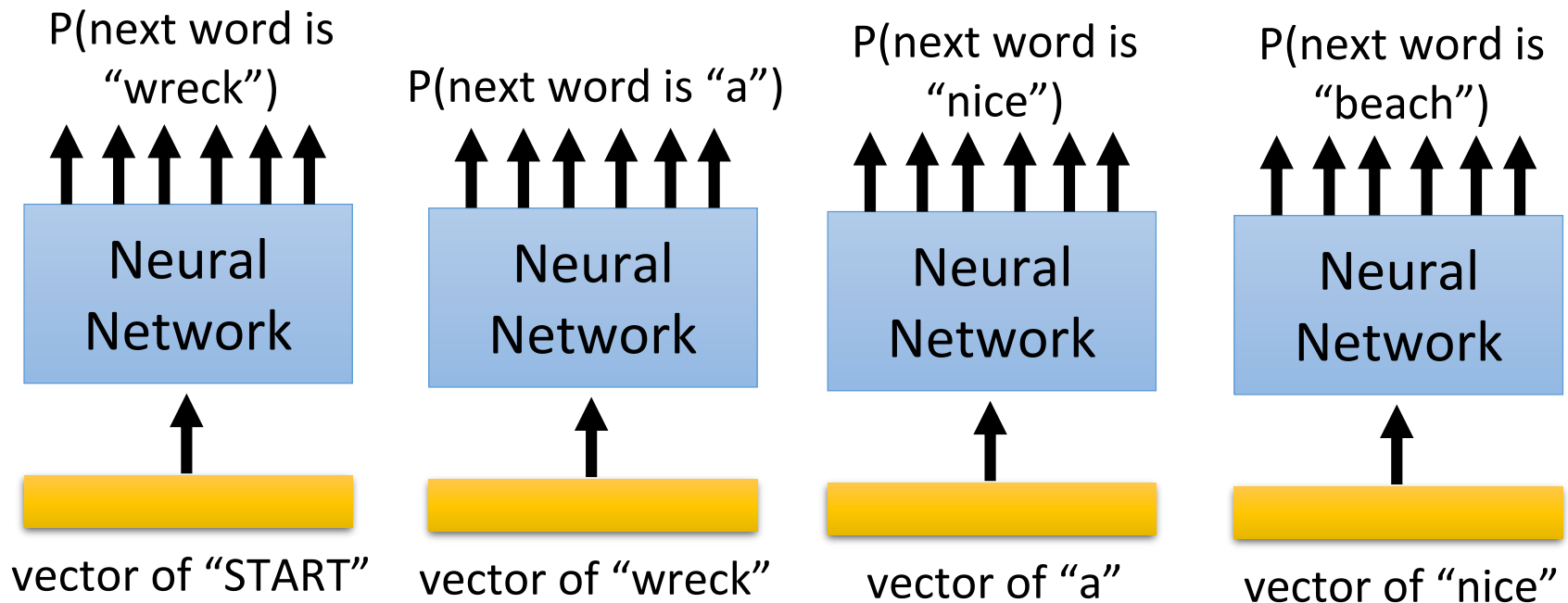
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Neural Language Modeling

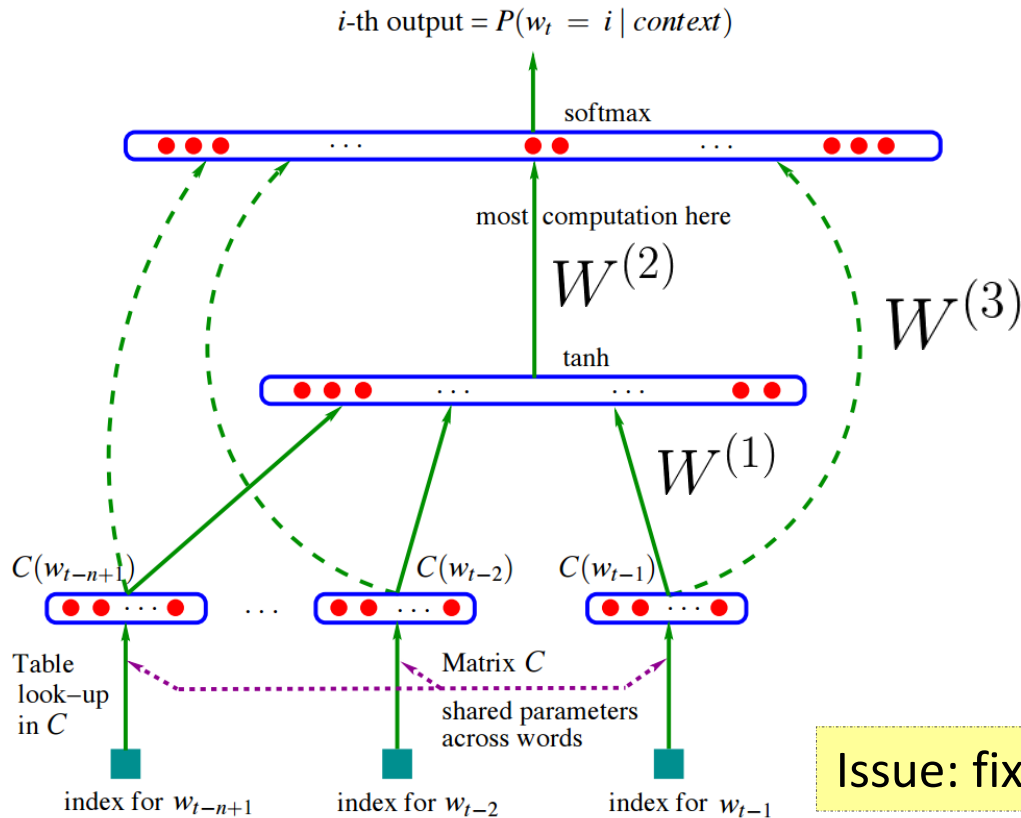
Idea: estimate $P(w_i | w_{i-(n-1)}, \dots, w_{i-1})$ not from count, but from the NN prediction

$$P(\text{"wreck a nice beach"}) = P(\text{wreck} | \text{START})P(\text{a} | \text{wreck})P(\text{nice} | \text{a})P(\text{beach} | \text{nice})$$



Neural Language Modeling

$$\hat{y} = \text{softmax}(W^{(2)}\sigma(W^{(1)}x + b^{(1)}) + W^{(3)}x + b^{(3)})$$



Probability distribution of the next word

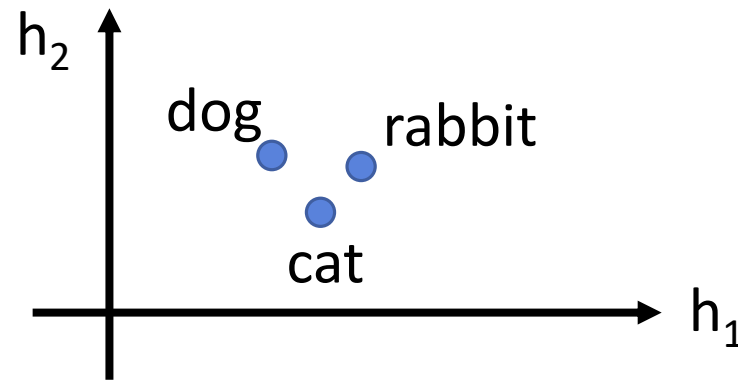


context vector

Issue: fixed context window for conditioning

Neural Language Modeling

The input layer (or hidden layer) of the related words are close



- If $P(\text{jump} | \text{dog})$ is large, $P(\text{jump} | \text{cat})$ increase accordingly (even there is not "... cat jump ..." in the data)

Smoothing is automatically done

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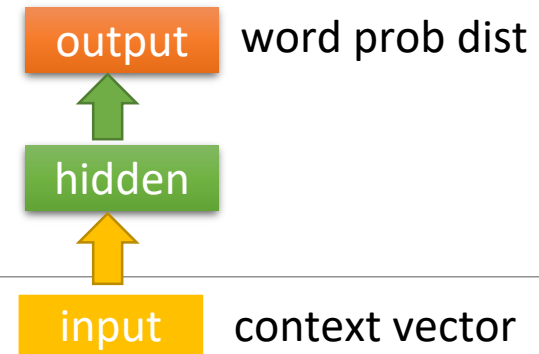
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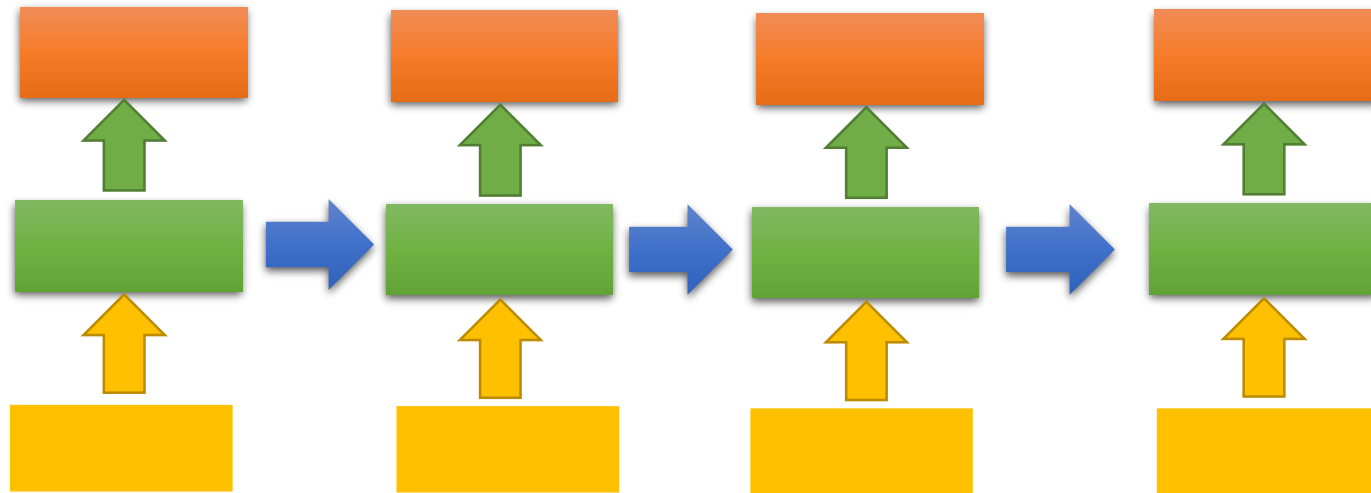
Idea: condition the neural network on all previous words and tie the weights at each time step

Assumption: temporal information matters

RNN Language Modeling



P(next word is "wreck") P(next word is "a") P(next word is "nice") P(next word is "beach")



vector of "START" vector of "wreck" vector of "a" vector of "nice"

Idea: pass the information from the previous hidden layer to leverage all contexts

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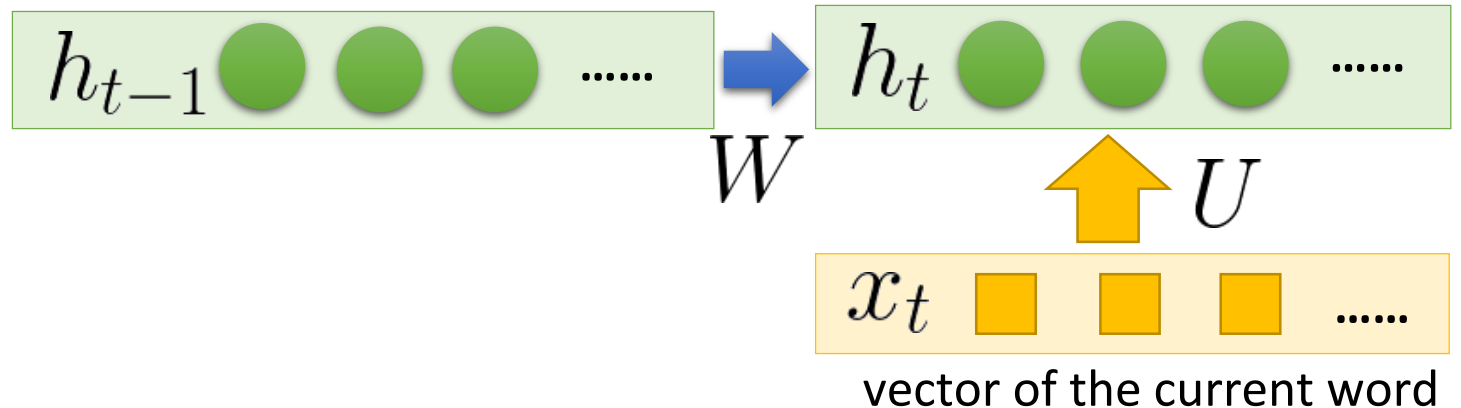
RNNLM Formulation

At each time step,

$$h_t = \sigma(W h_{t-1} + U x_t)$$

$$\hat{y}_t = \text{softmax}(V h_t)$$

$$P(x_{t+1} = w_j \mid x_1, \dots, x_t) = \hat{y}_{t,j}$$



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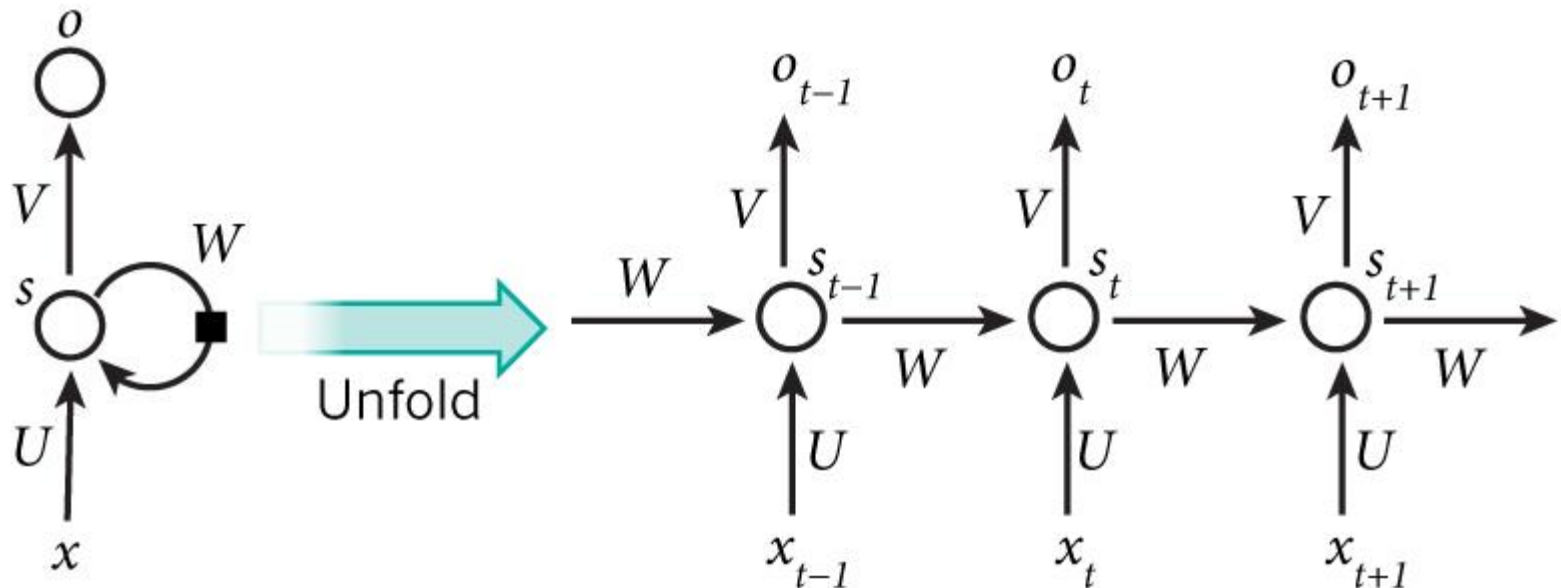
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Recurrent Neural Network Definition

$$s_t = \sigma(W s_{t-1} + U x_t) \quad \sigma(\cdot): \text{tanh, ReLU}$$

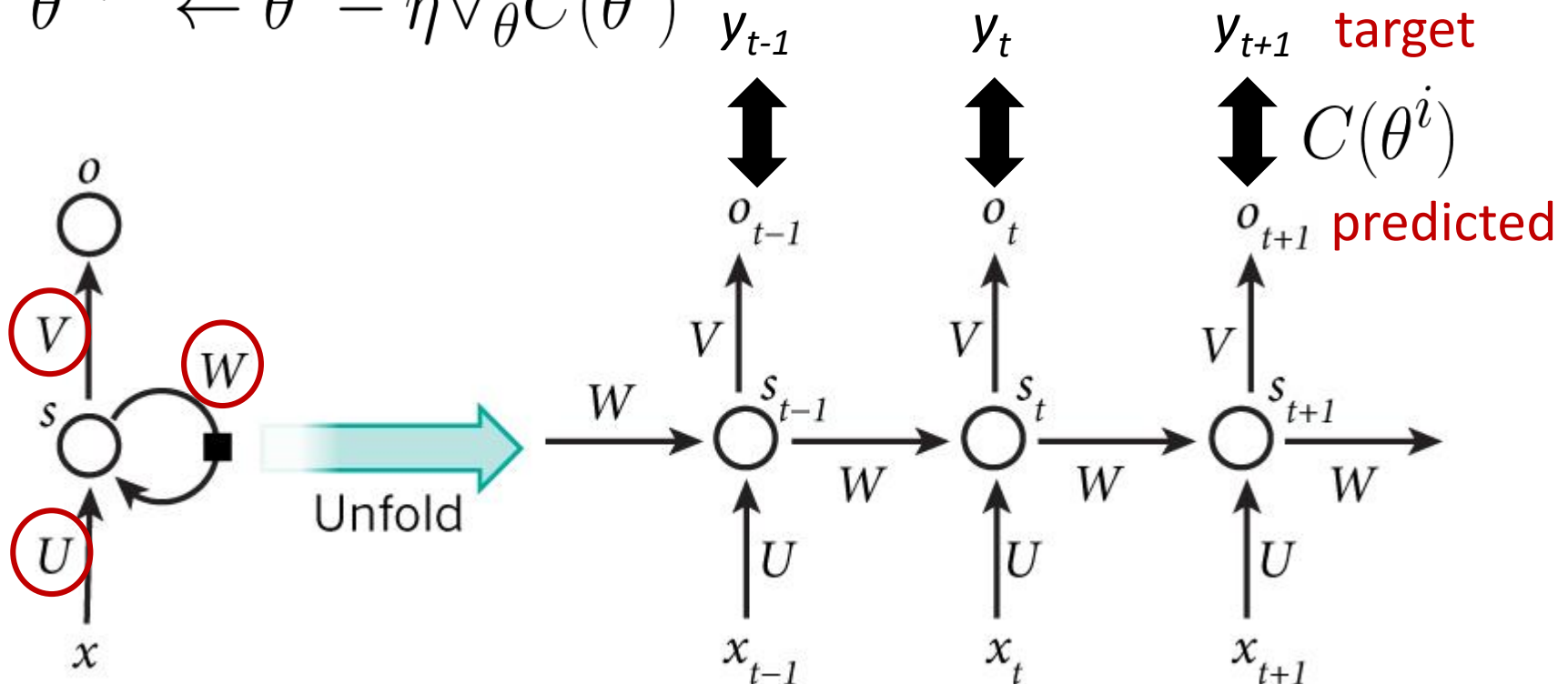
$$o_t = \text{softmax}(V s_t)$$



Model Training

All model parameters $\theta = \{U, V, W\}$ can be updated by

$$\theta^{i+1} \leftarrow \theta^i - \eta \nabla_{\theta} C(\theta^i)$$



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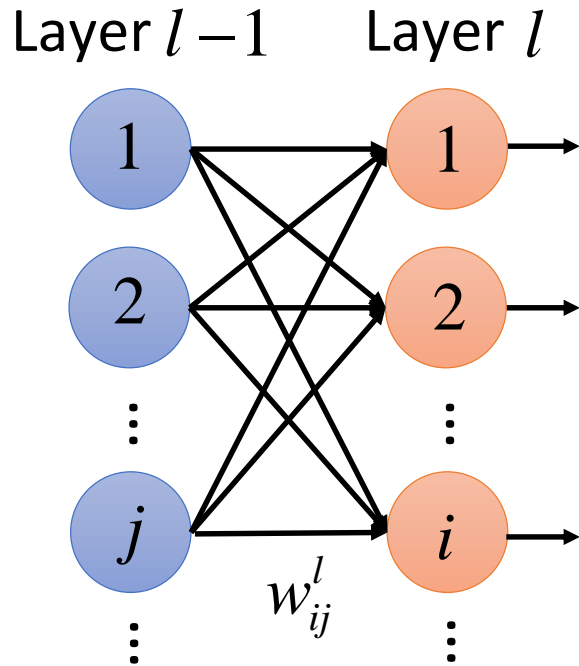
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Backpropagation

$$\frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial w_{ij}^l} = \frac{\partial C(\theta)}{\partial z_i^l} \frac{\partial z_i^l}{\partial w_{ij}^l}$$



δ_i^l Error signal

$$\begin{cases} a_j^{l-1} & l > 1 \\ x_j & l = 1 \end{cases}$$

Backward Pass

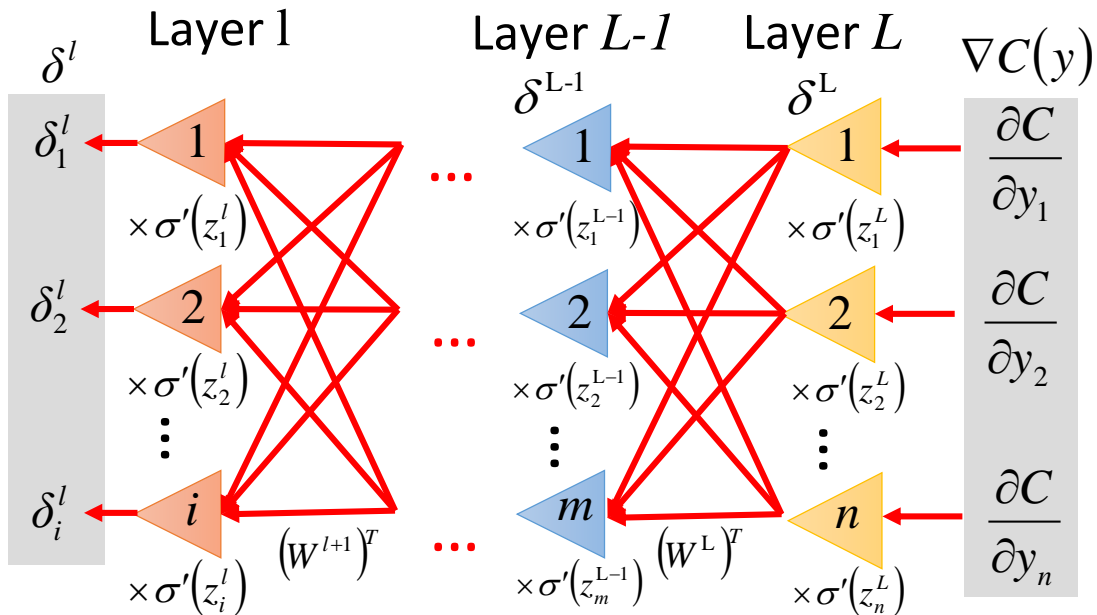
$$\begin{aligned} \delta^L &= \sigma'(z^L) \odot \nabla C(y) \\ \delta^{L-1} &= \sigma'(z^{L-1}) \odot (W^L)^T \delta^L \\ &\vdots \\ \delta^l &= \sigma'(z^l) \odot (W^{l+1})^T \delta^{l+1} \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Forward Pass

$$\begin{aligned} z^1 &= W^1 x + b^1 \\ a^1 &= \sigma(z^1) \\ &\vdots \\ z^l &= W^l a^{l-1} + b^l \\ a^l &= \sigma(z^l) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

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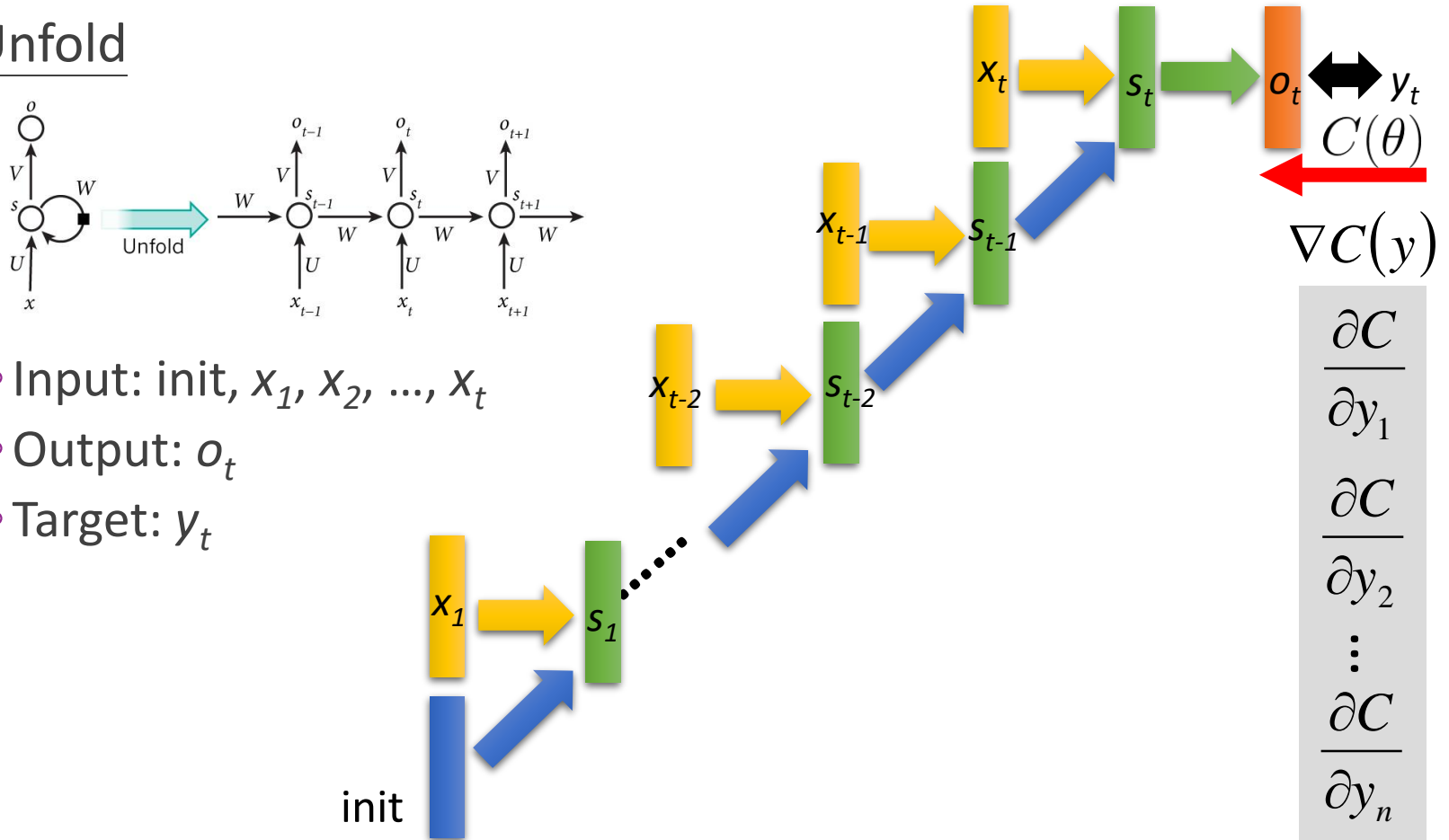
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Backpropagation through Time (BPTT)

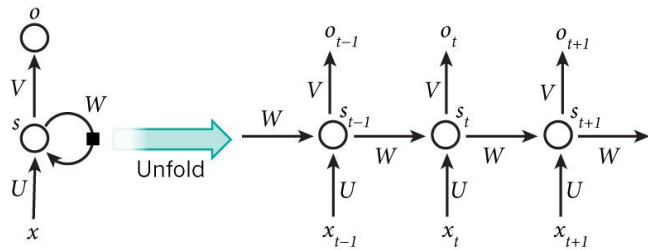
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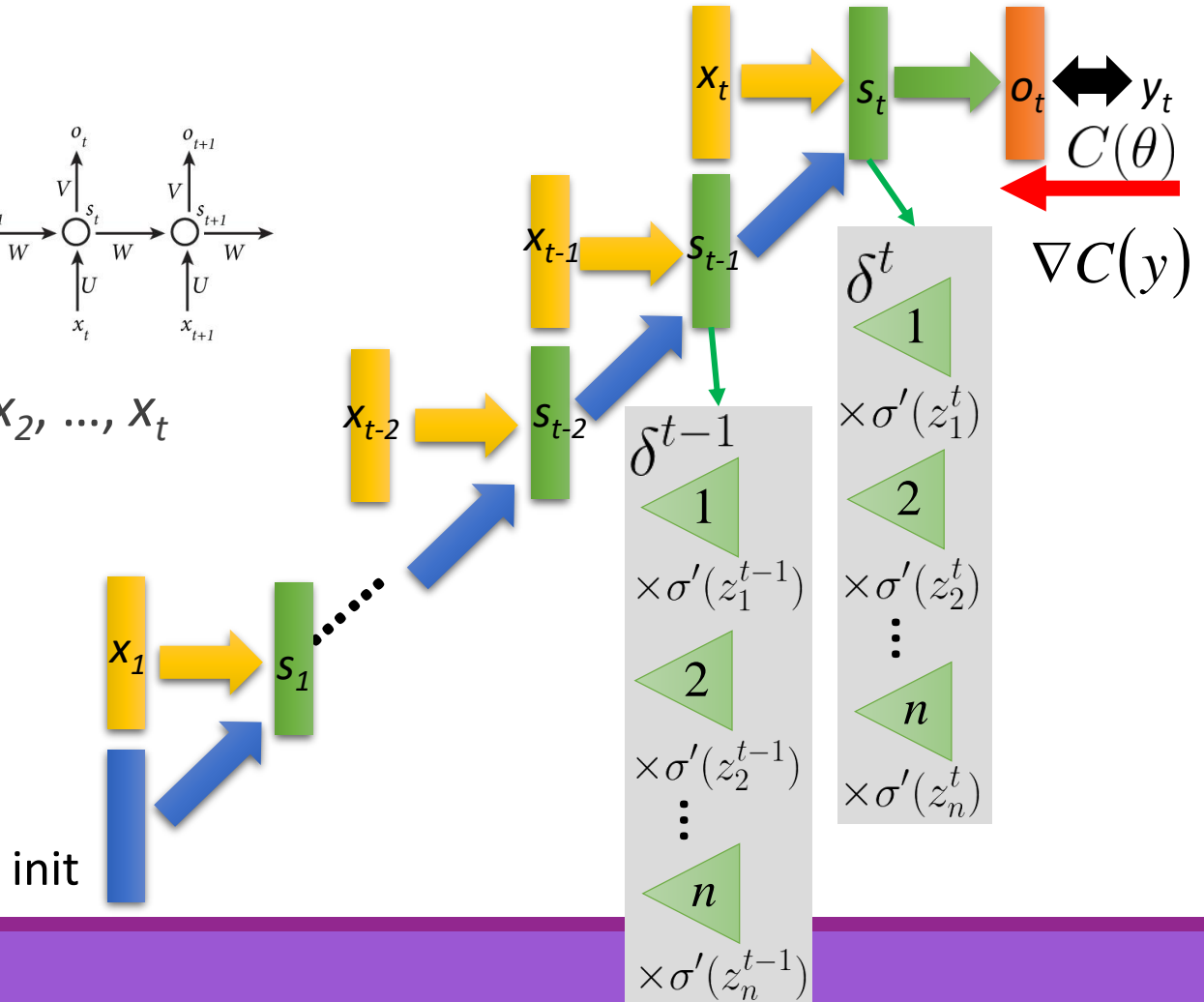
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- Output: o_t
- Target: y_t

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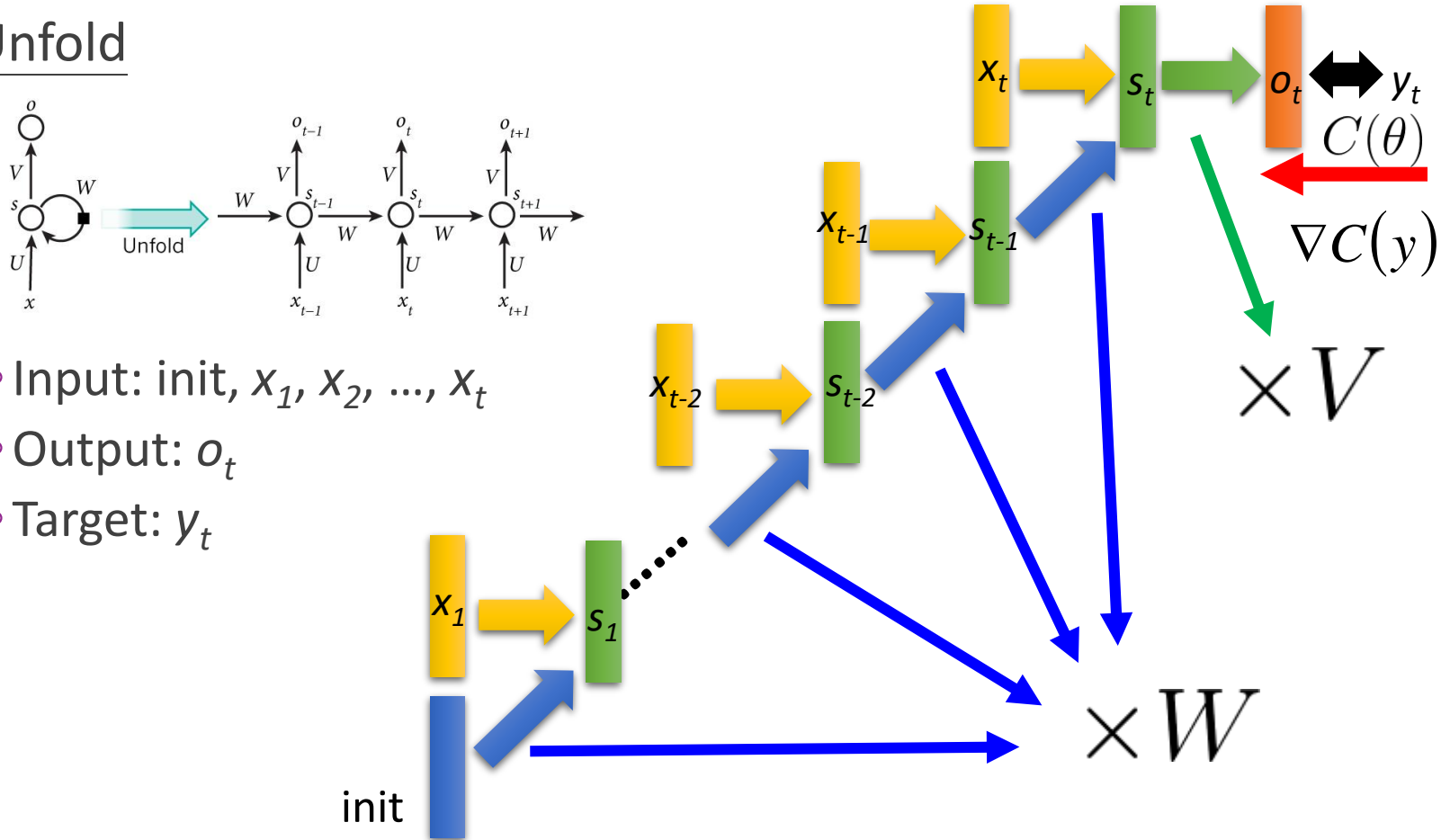


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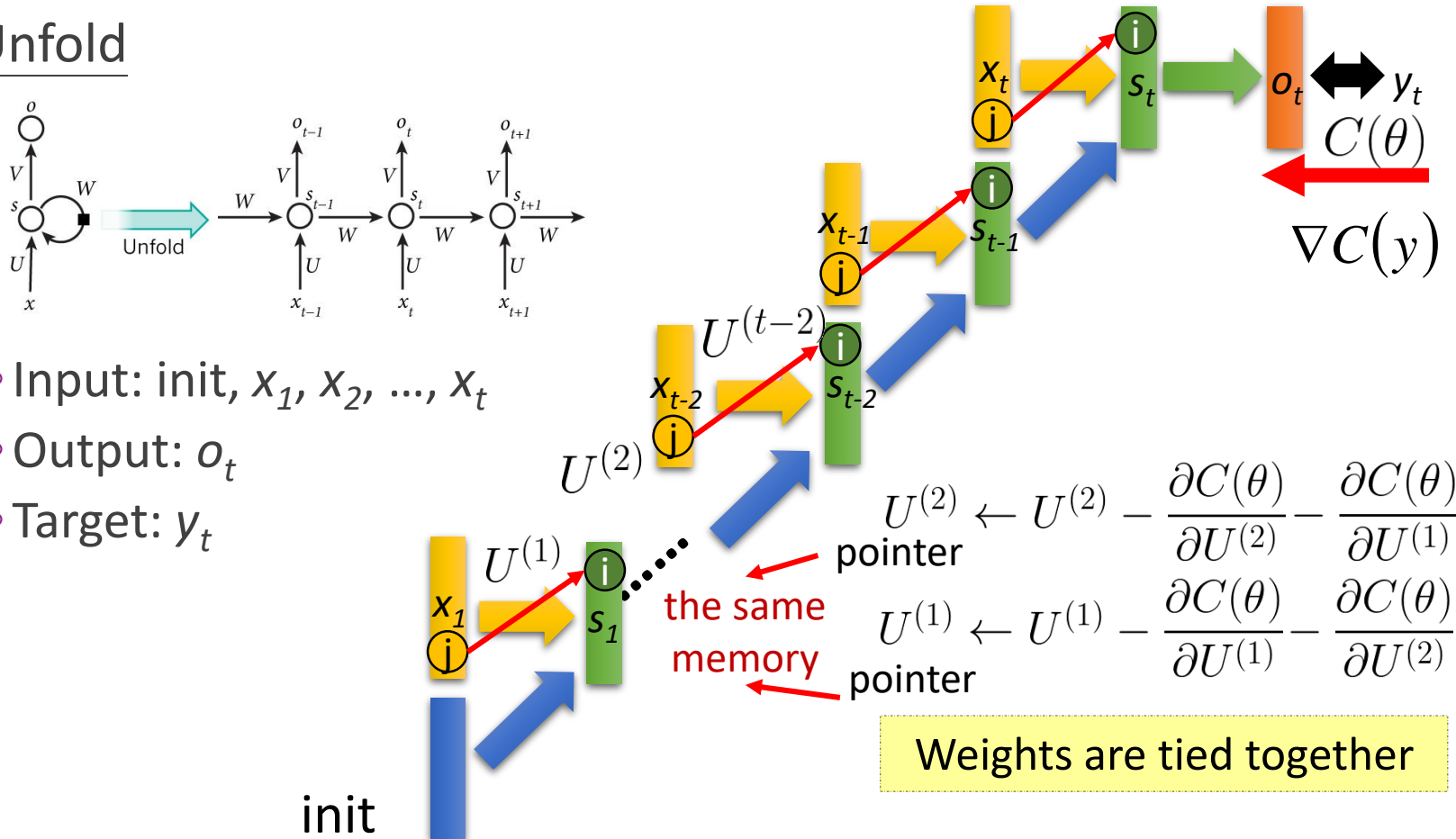
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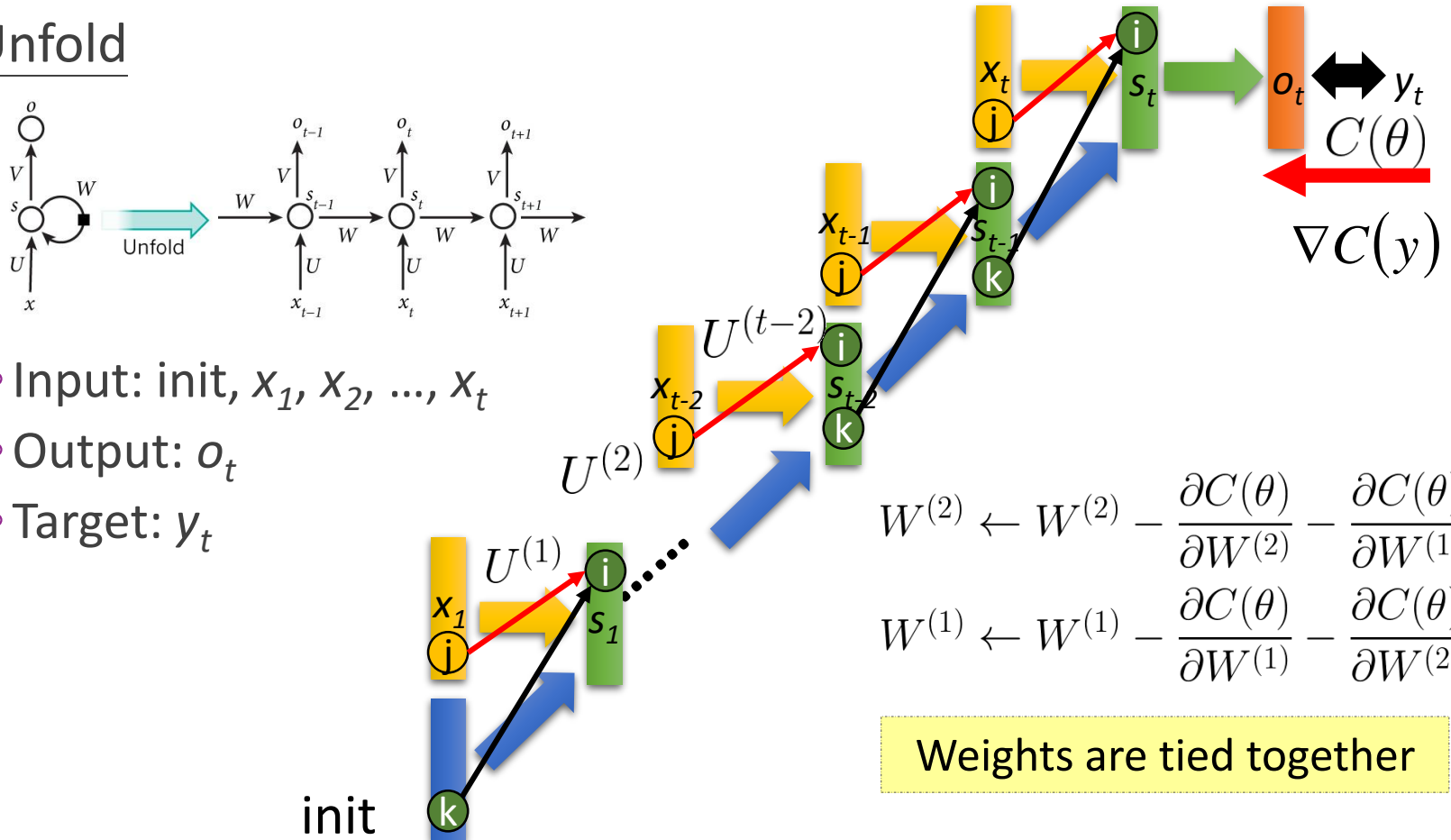
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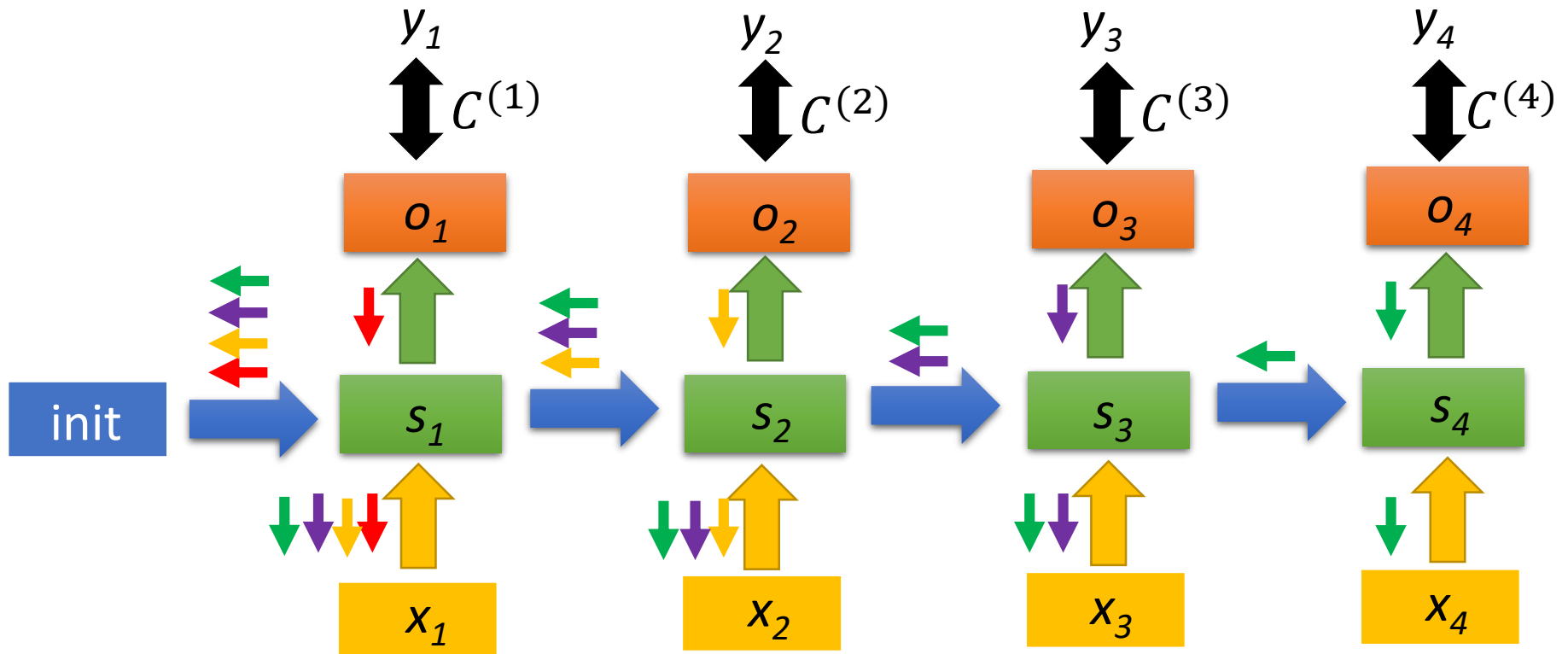
BPTT

Forward Pass:

Compute $s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4 \dots$

Backward Pass:

→ For $C^{(4)}$ ← For $C^{(3)}$
→ For $C^{(2)}$ ← For $C^{(1)}$



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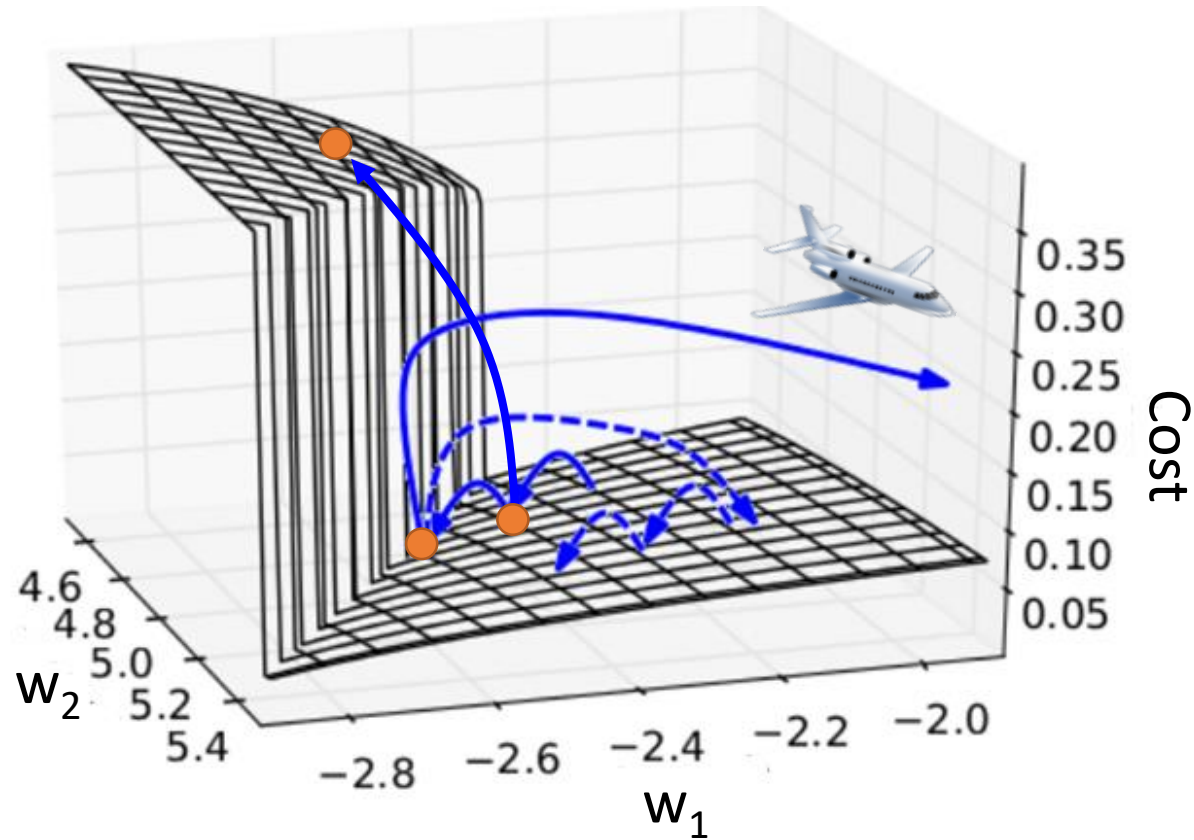
The gradient is a product of Jacobian matrices, each associated with a step in the forward computation

Multiply the same matrix at each time step during backprop

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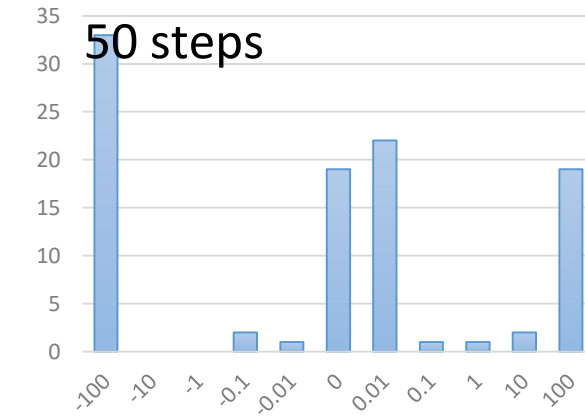
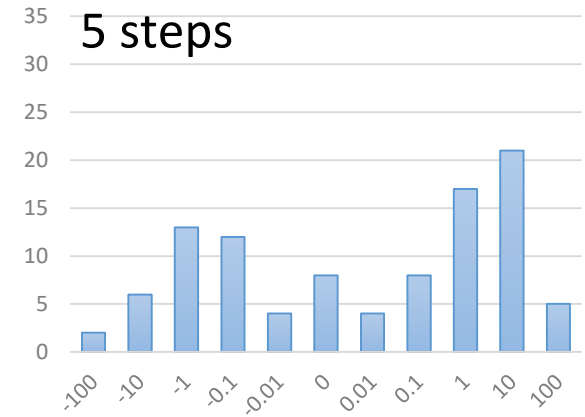
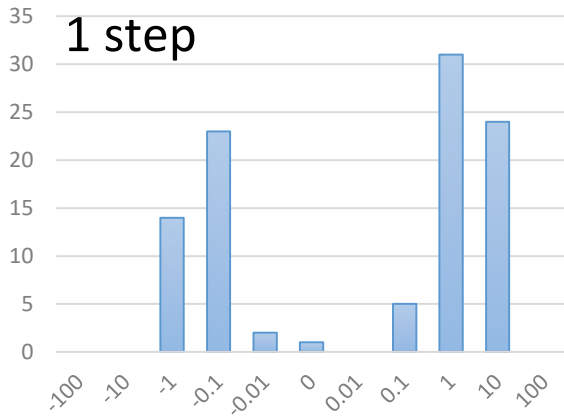
The gradient becomes very small or very large quickly
→ **vanishing or exploding gradient**

Rough Error Surface



The error surface is either very flat or very steep

Vanishing/Exploding Gradient Example



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How to Frame the Learning Problem?

The learning algorithm f is to map the input domain X into the output domain Y

$$f : X \rightarrow Y$$

Input domain: word, word sequence, audio signal, click logs

Output domain: single label, sequence tags, tree structure, probability distribution

Network design should leverage input and output domain properties

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Input Domain – Sequence Modeling

Idea: aggregate the meaning from all words into a vector

Method:

- Basic combination: average, sum
- Neural combination:
 - ✓ Recursive neural network (RvNN)
 - ✓ Recurrent neural network (RNN)
 - ✓ Convolutional neural network (CNN)

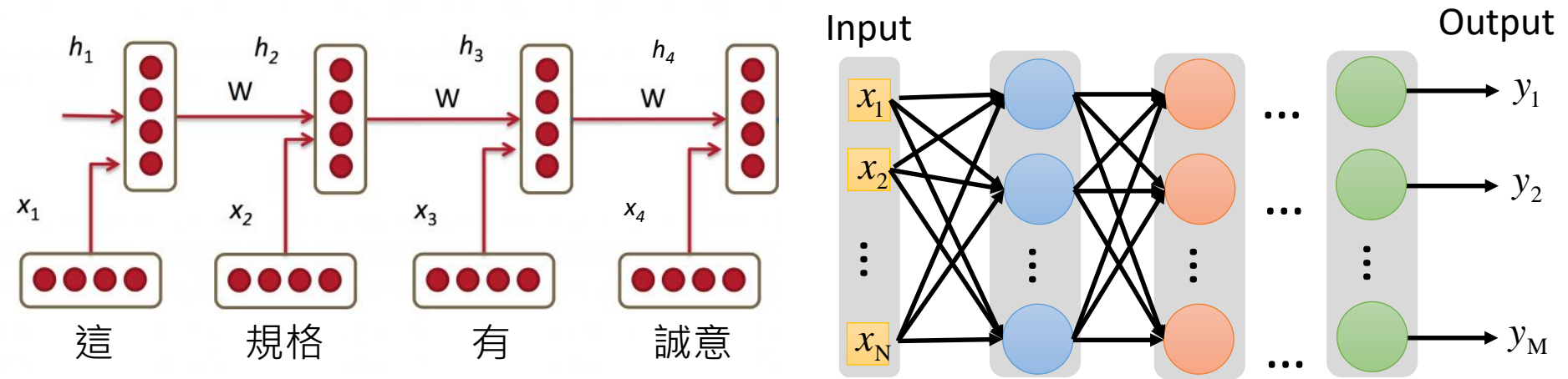
	N -dim
這 (this)	$[0.2 \ 0.6 \ 0.3 \ \dots \ 0.4]$
規格 (specification)	$[0.9 \ 0.8 \ 0.1 \ \dots \ 0.1]$
有 (have)	$[0.1 \ 0.3 \ 0.1 \ \dots \ 0.7]$
誠意 (sincerity)	$[0.5 \ 0.0 \ 0.6 \ \dots \ 0.4]$

How to compute $\vec{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ \dots \ x_N]$

Sentiment Analysis

Encode the sequential input into a vector using RNN

$$\vec{x} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ \cdots \ x_N]$$



RNN considers temporal information to learn sentence vectors as the input of classification tasks

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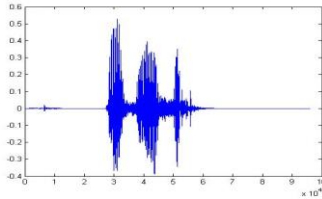
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Output Domain – Sequence Prediction

POS Tagging

“推薦我台大後門的餐廳” → 推薦/VV 我/PN 台大/NR 後門/NN
的/DEG 餐廳/NN

Speech Recognition



→ “大家好”

Machine Translation

“How are you doing today?” → “你好嗎?”

The output can be viewed as a sequence of classification

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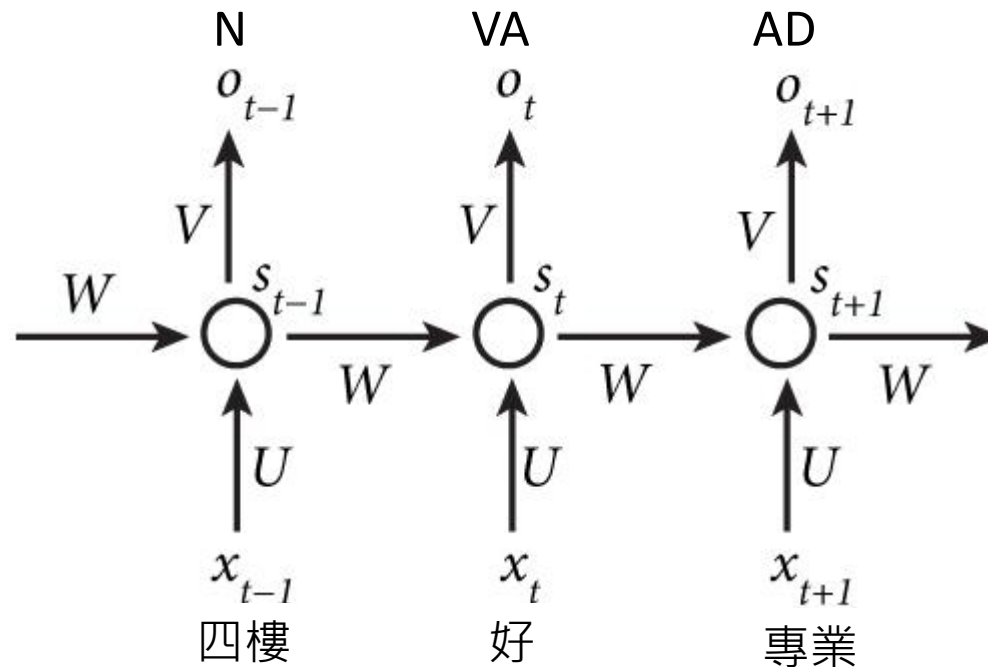
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POS Tagging

Tag a word at each timestamp

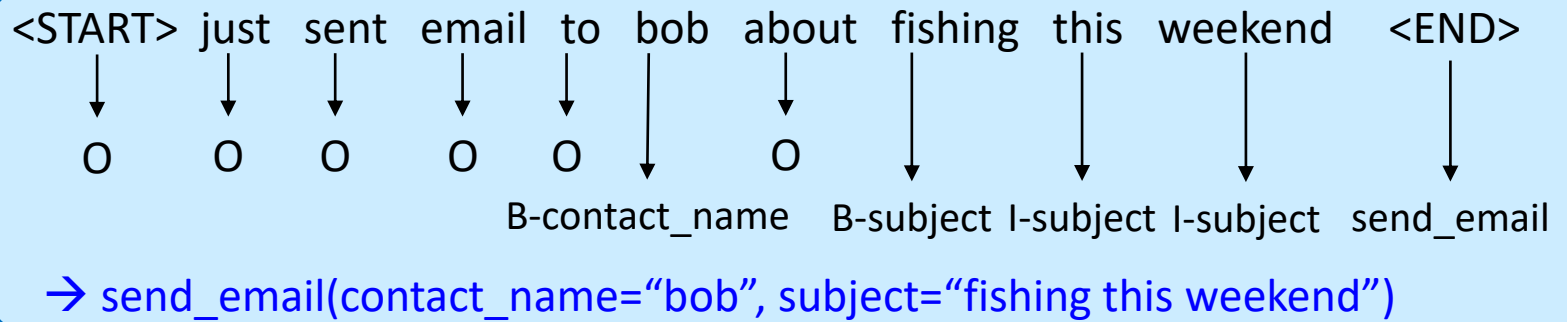
- Input: word sequence
- Output: corresponding POS tag sequence



Natural Language Understanding (NLU)

Tag a word at each timestamp

- Input: word sequence
- Output: IOB-format slot tag and intent tag



Temporal orders for input and output are the same

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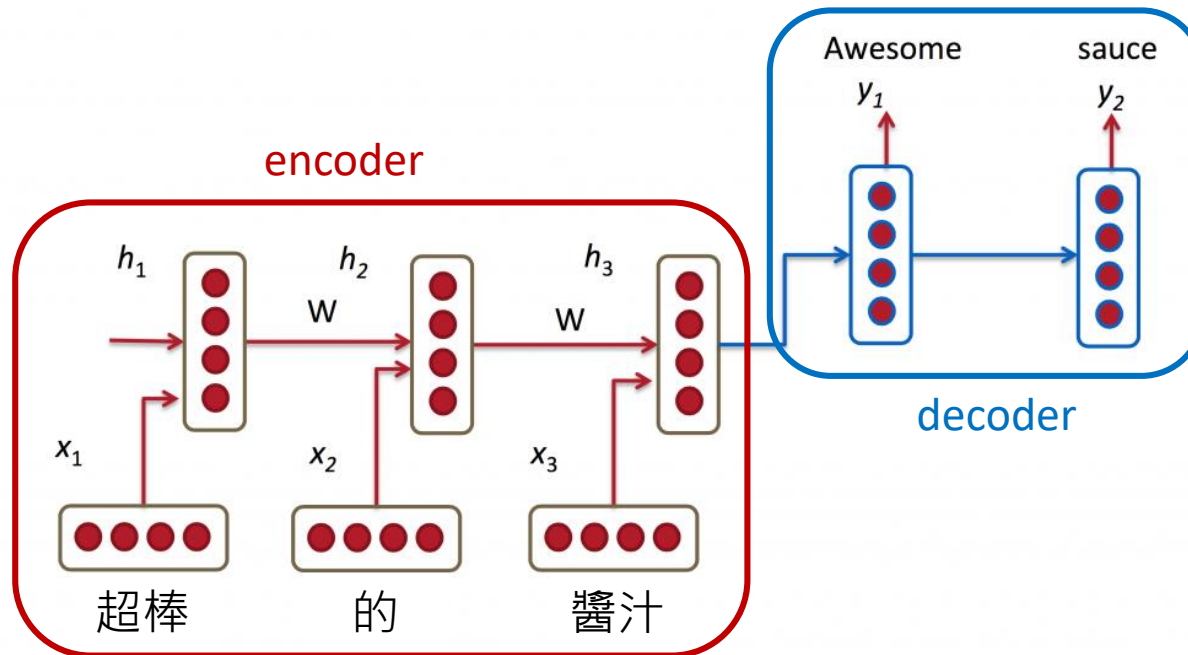
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Machine Translation

Cascade two RNNs, one for encoding and one for decoding

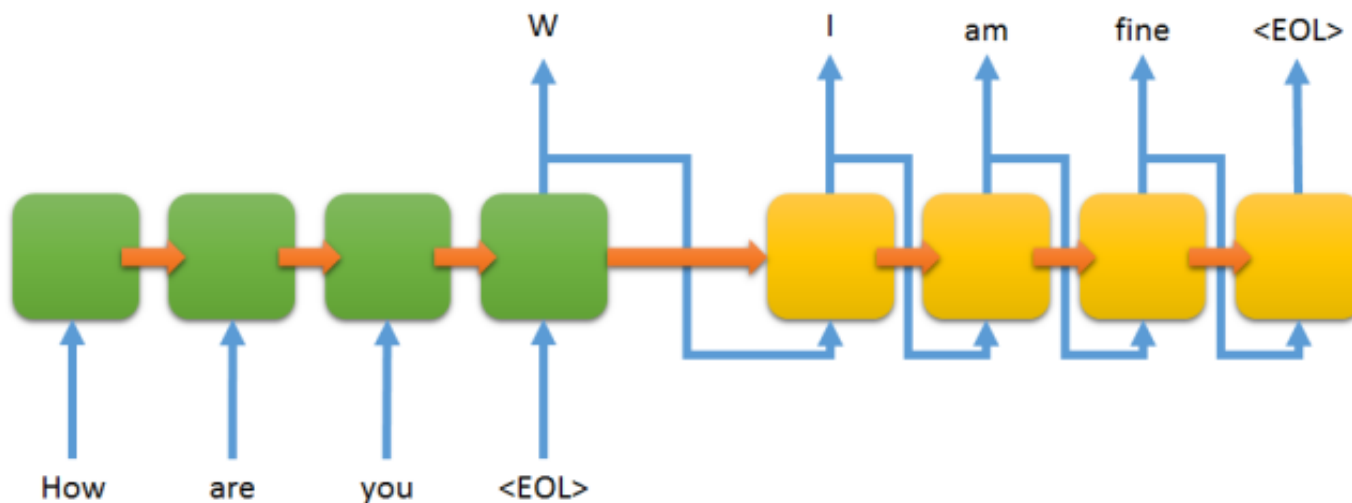
- Input: word sequences in the source language
- Output: word sequences in the target language



Chit-Chat Dialogue Modeling

Cascade two RNNs, one for encoding and one for decoding

- Input: word sequences in the question
- Output: word sequences in the response



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Concluding Remarks

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Applications

- Sequential Input: Sequence-Level Embedding
- Sequential Output: Tagging / Seq2Seq (Encoder-Decoder)

