

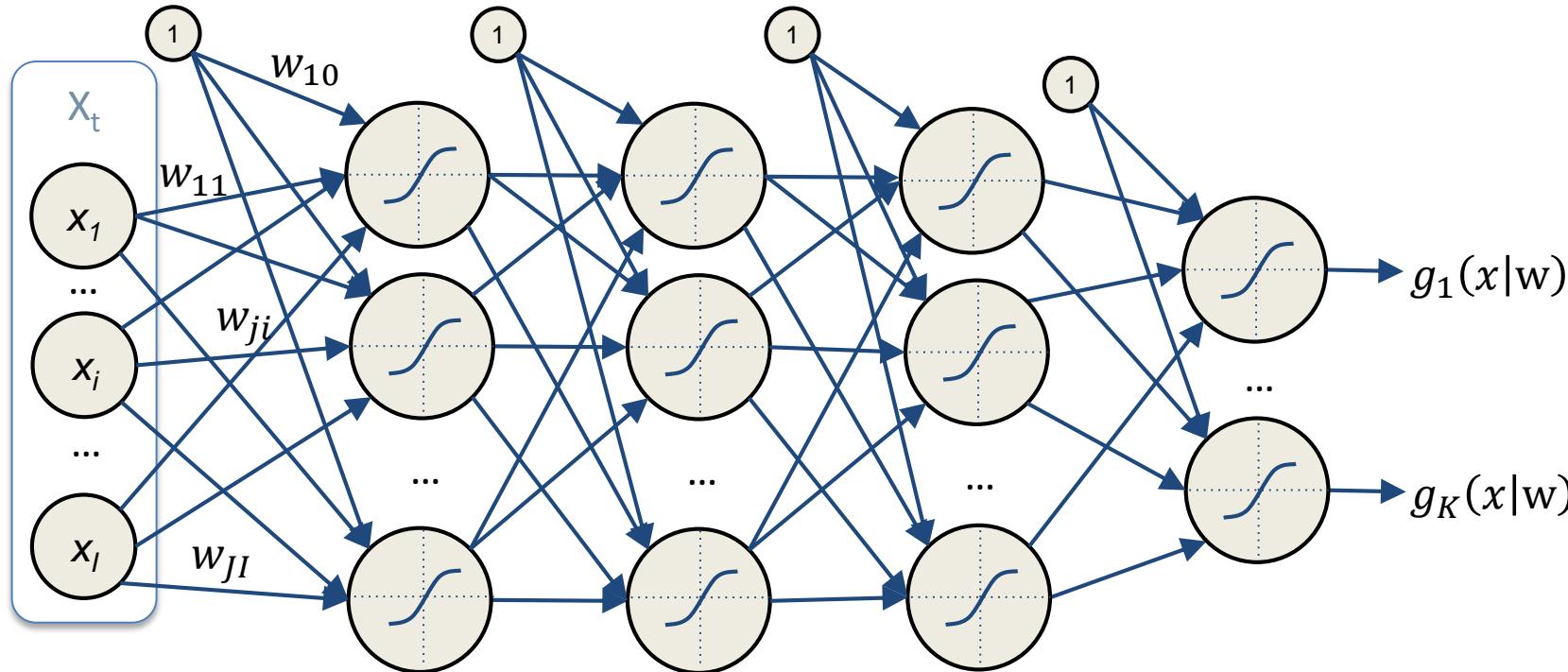
# **Advances in Deep Learning with Applications in Text and Image Processing**

**- Recurrent Neural Networks -**

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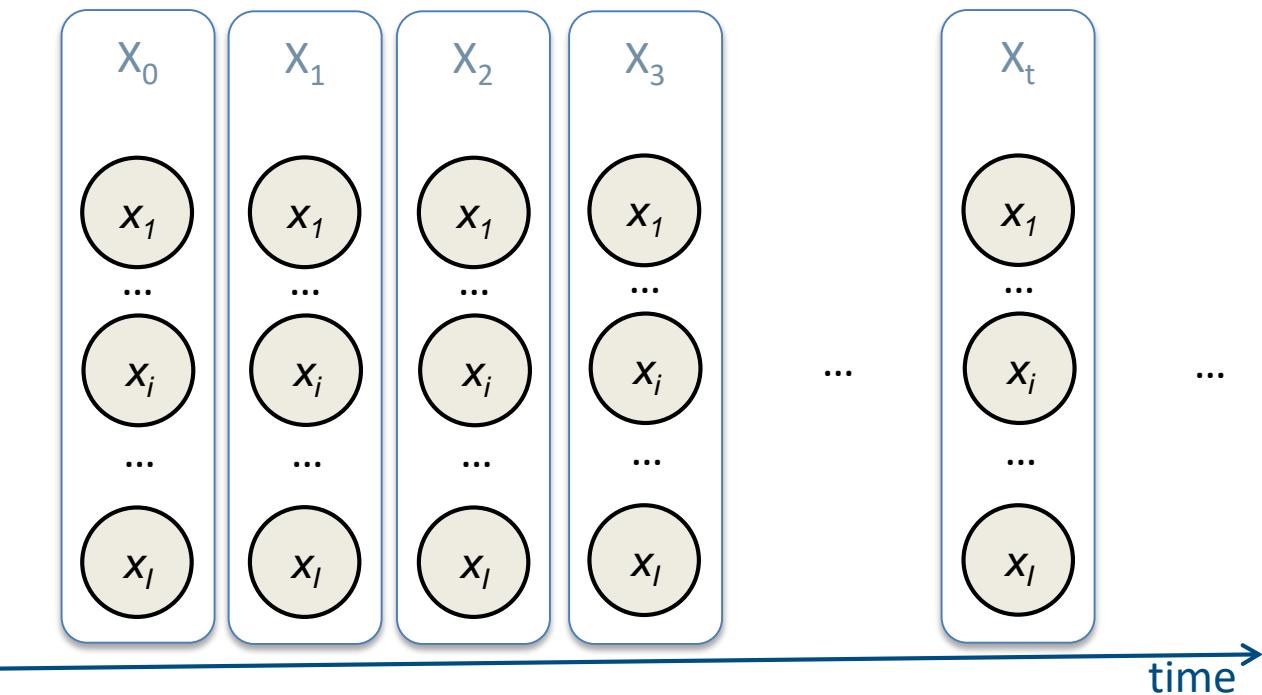
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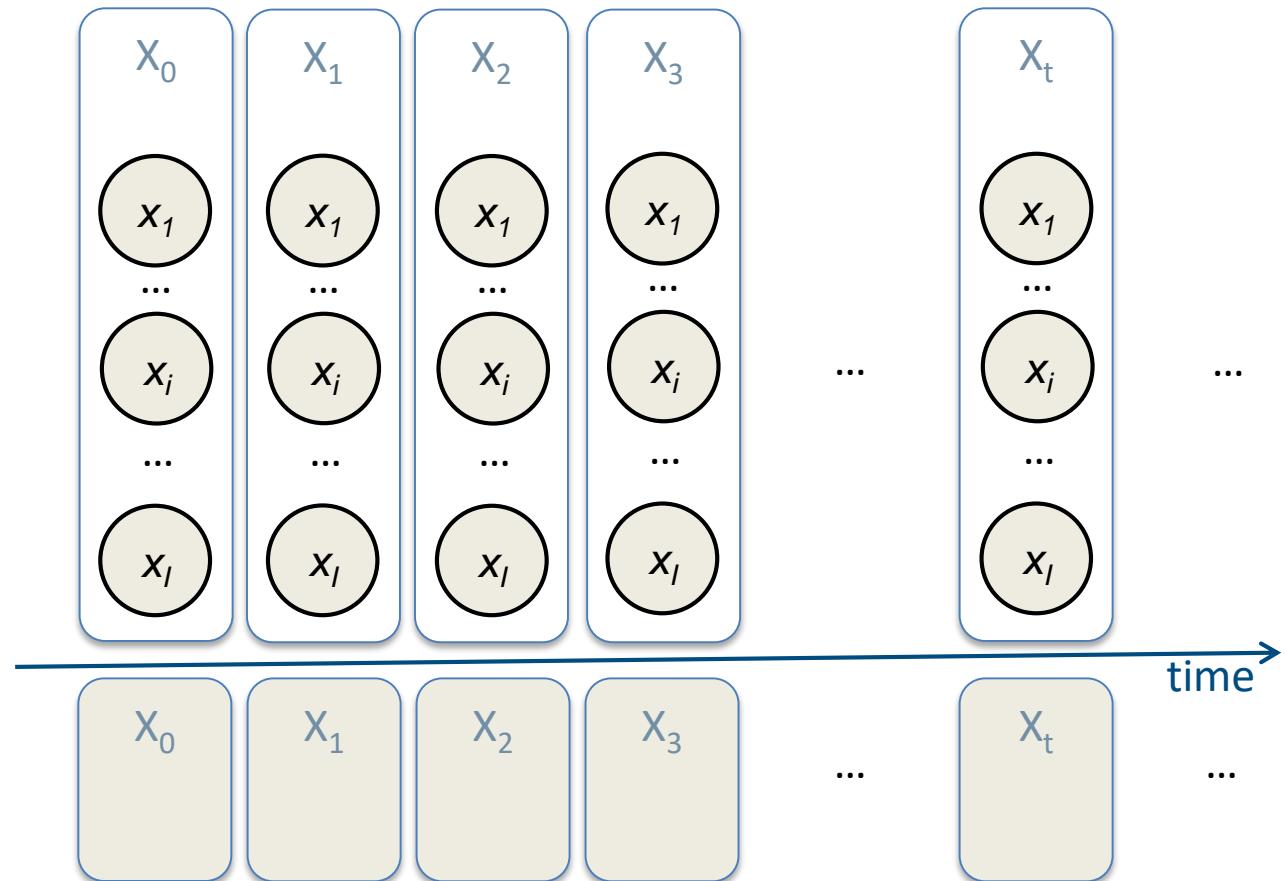
Different ways to deal with «dynamic» data:

Memoryless models:

- Autoregressive models
- Feedforward neural networks

Models with memory:

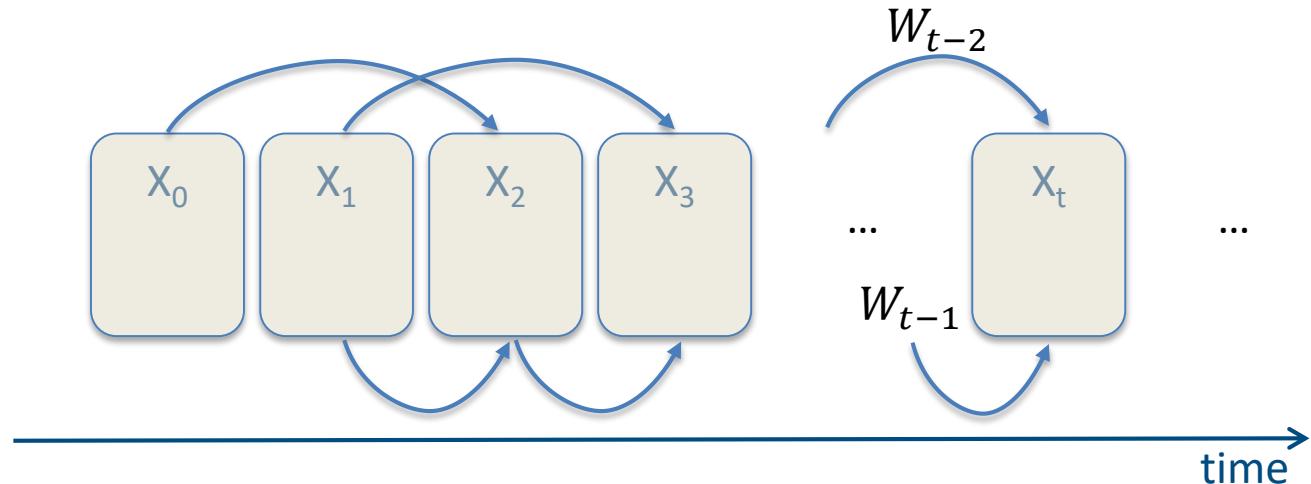
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- Hidden Markov models
- Recurrent Neural Networks
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# Memoryless Models for Sequences

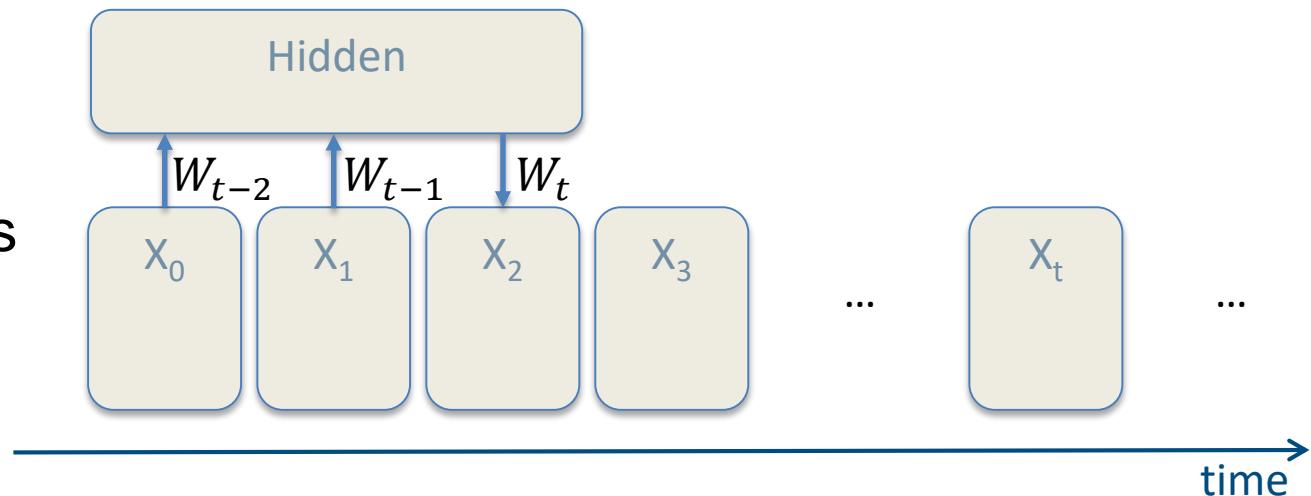
## Autoregressive models

- Predict the next input from previous ones using «delay taps»



## Feed forward neural networks

- Generalize autoregressive models using non linear hidden layers



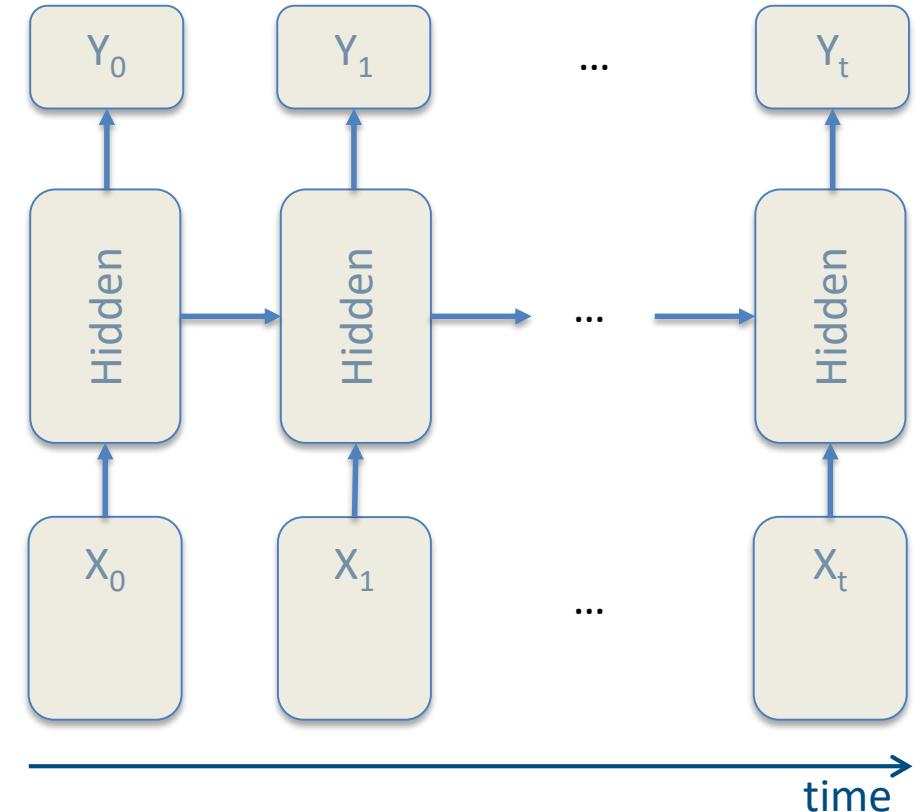
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- State continuous with Gaussian uncertainty
- Transformations are assumed to be linear
- State can be estimated using *Kalman filtering*



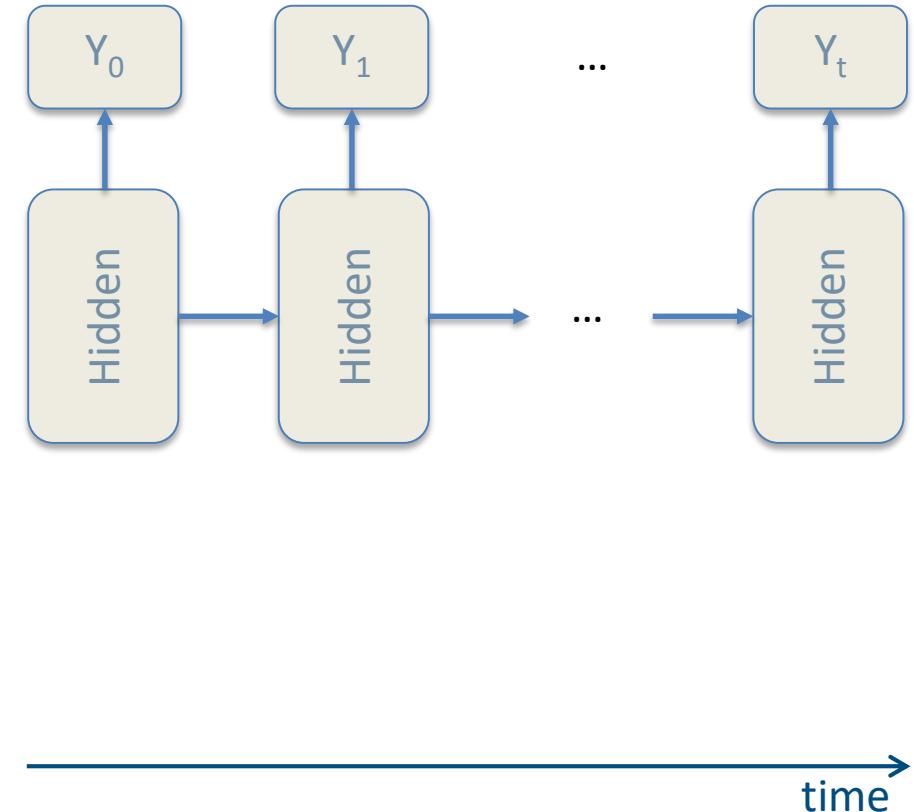
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In hidden Markov models this becomes:

- State assumed to be discrete, state transitions are stochastic (transition matrix)
- Output is a stochastic function of hidden states
- State can be estimated via *Viterbi algorithm*.



# Recurrent Neural networks

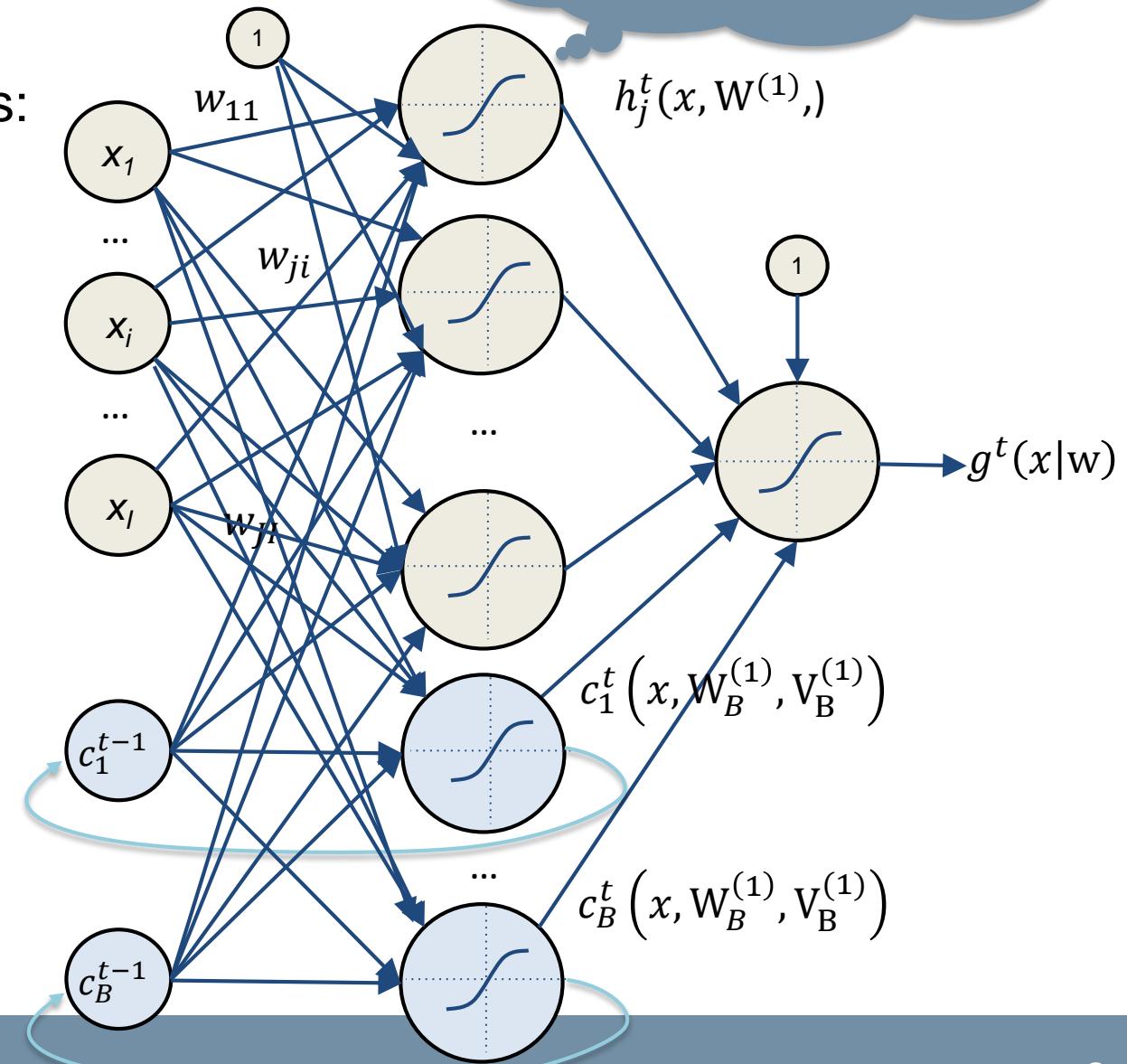
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“With enough neurons and time, RNNs can compute anything that can be computed by a computer.”

(Computation Beyond the Turing Limit  
Hava T. Siegelmann, 1995)

Deterministic systems ...



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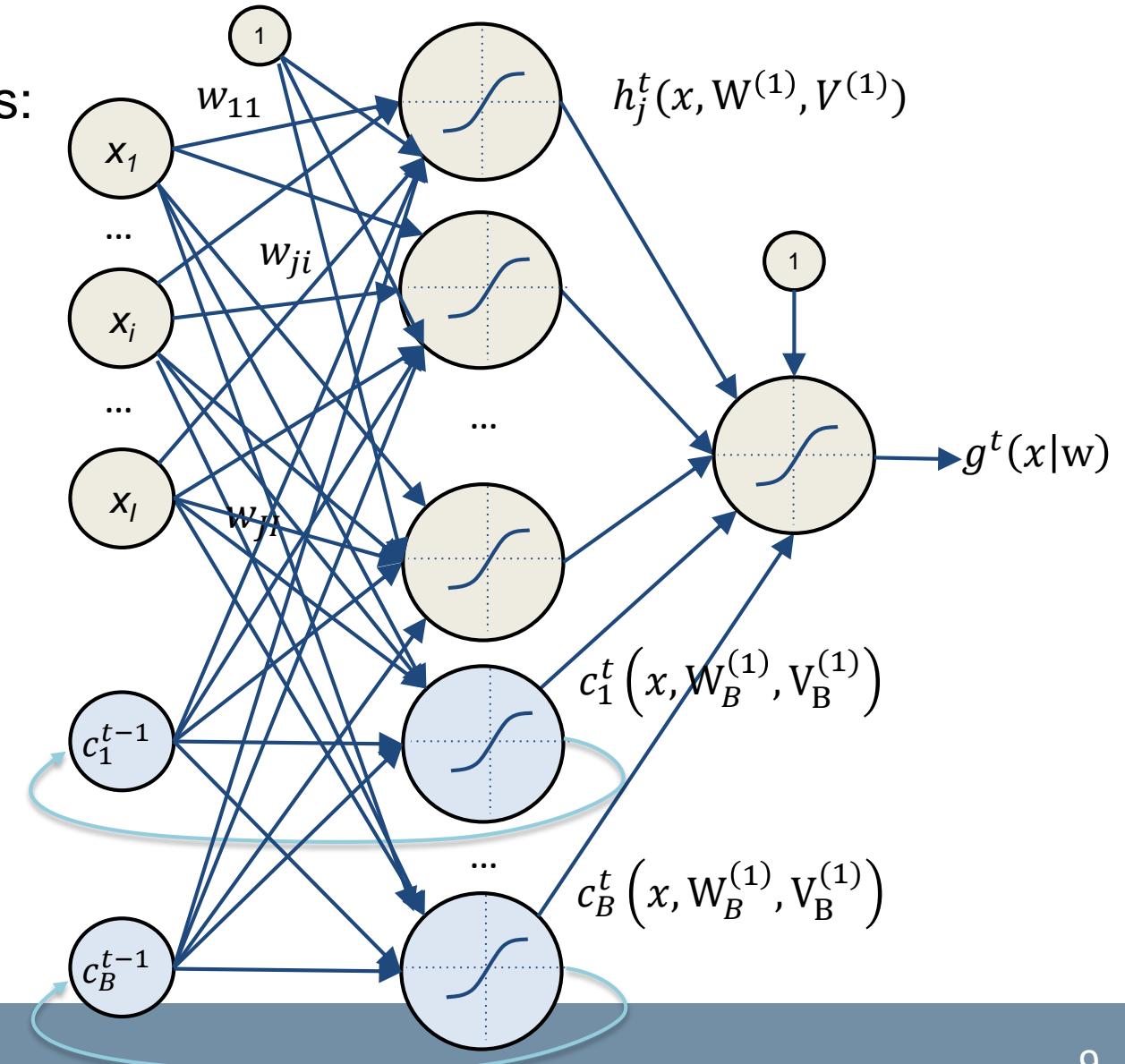
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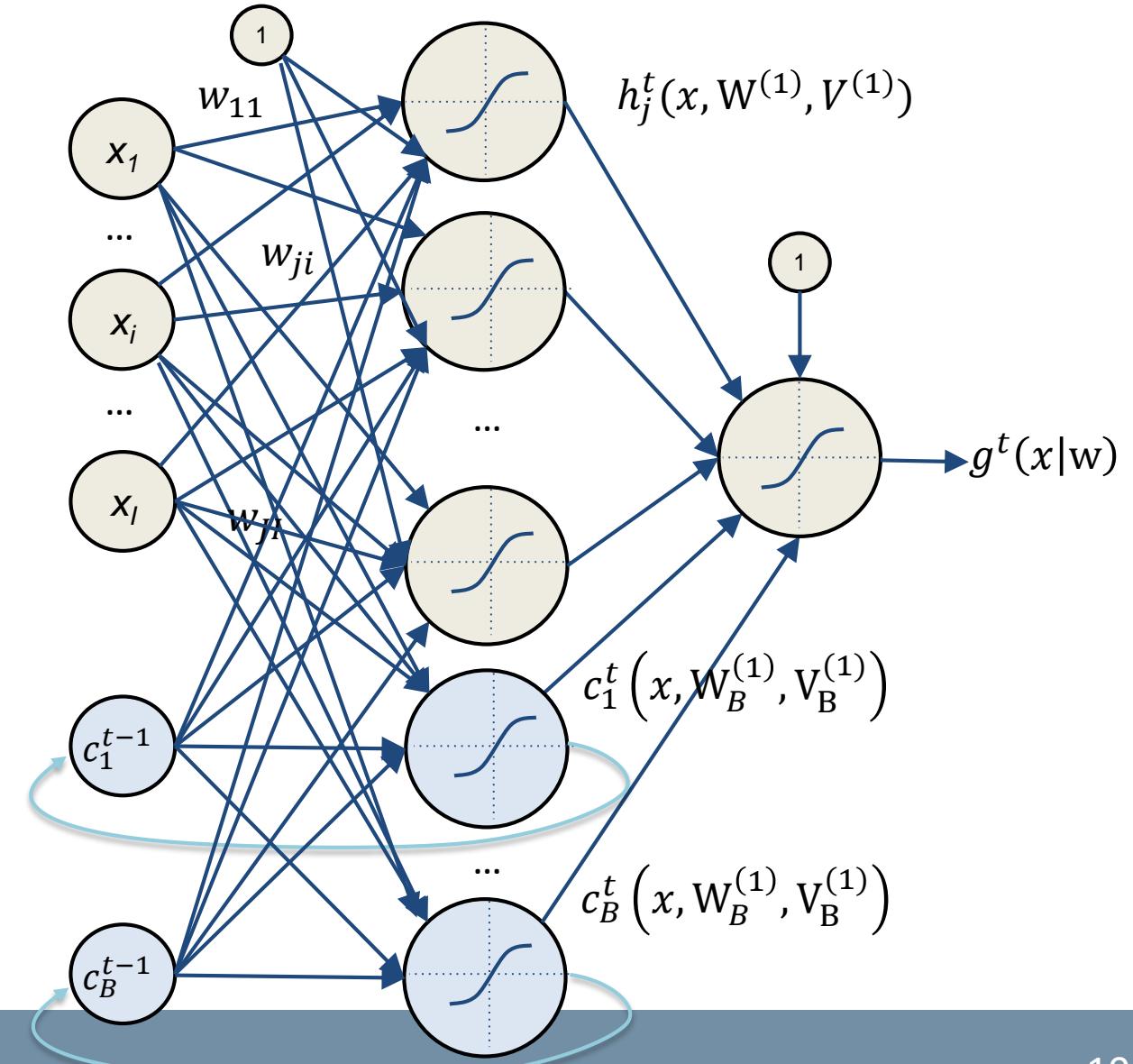
$$g^t(x_n|w) = g \left( \sum_{j=0}^J w_{1j}^{(2)} \cdot h_j^t(\cdot) + \sum_{b=0}^B v_{1b}^{(2)} \cdot c_b^t(\cdot) \right)$$

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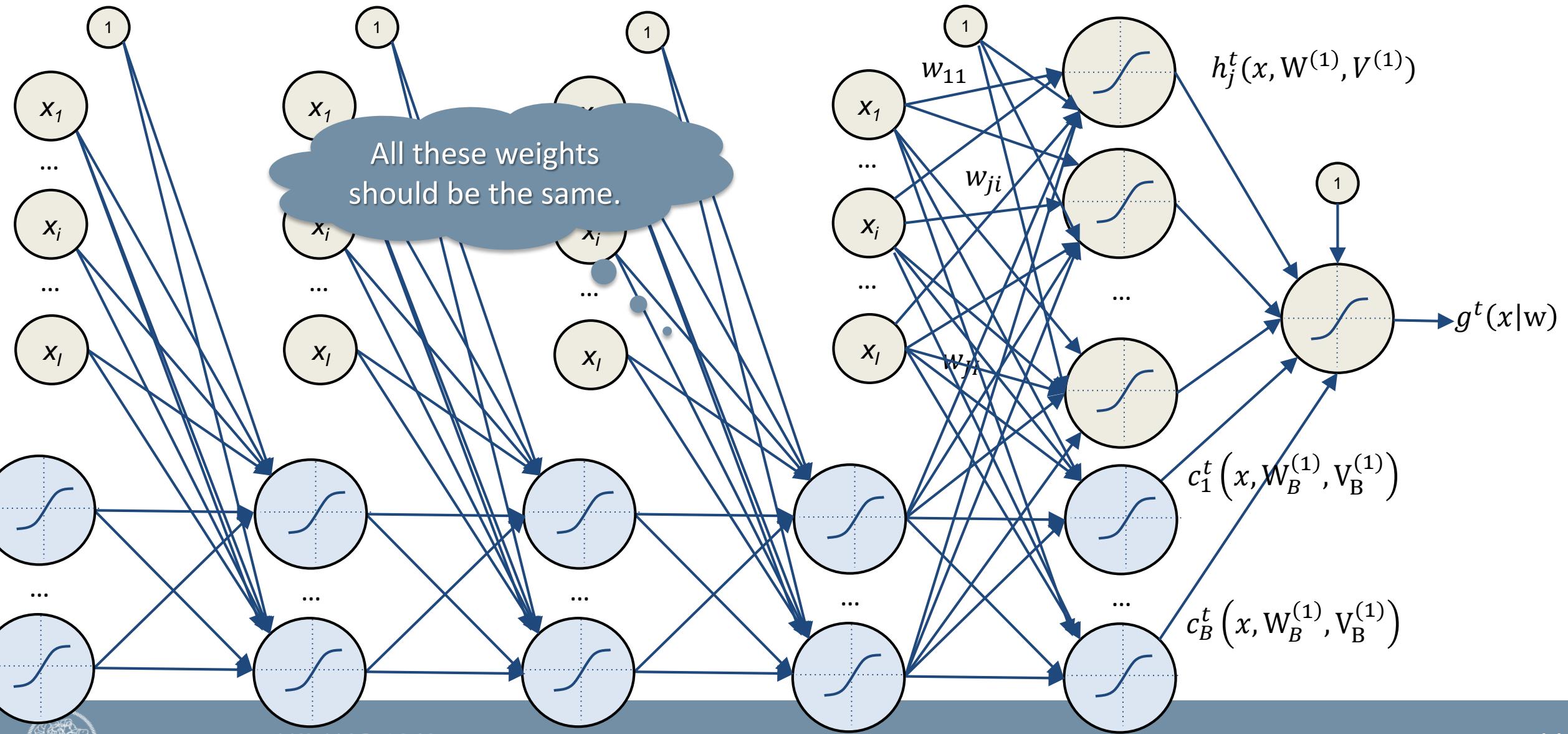
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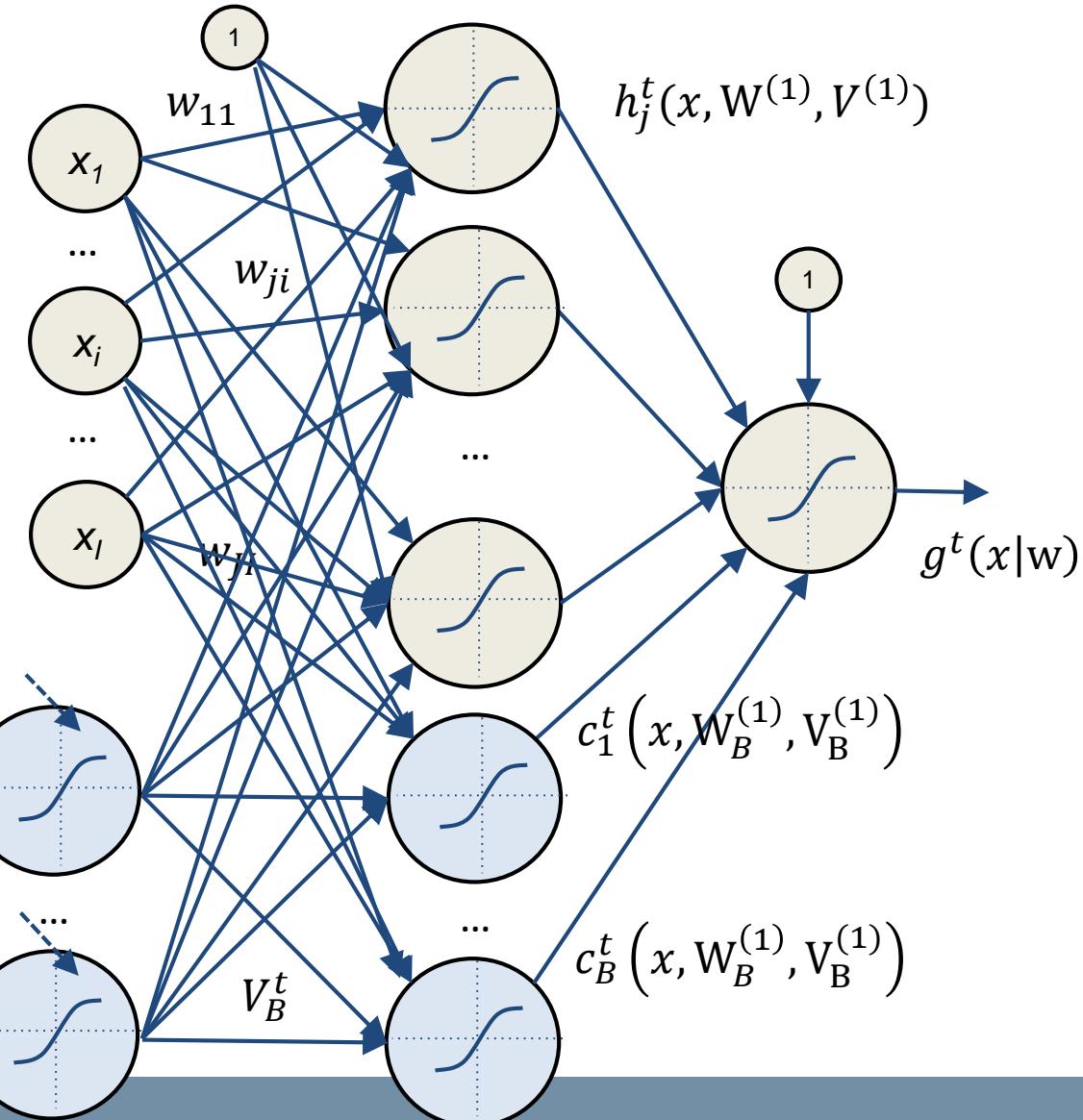
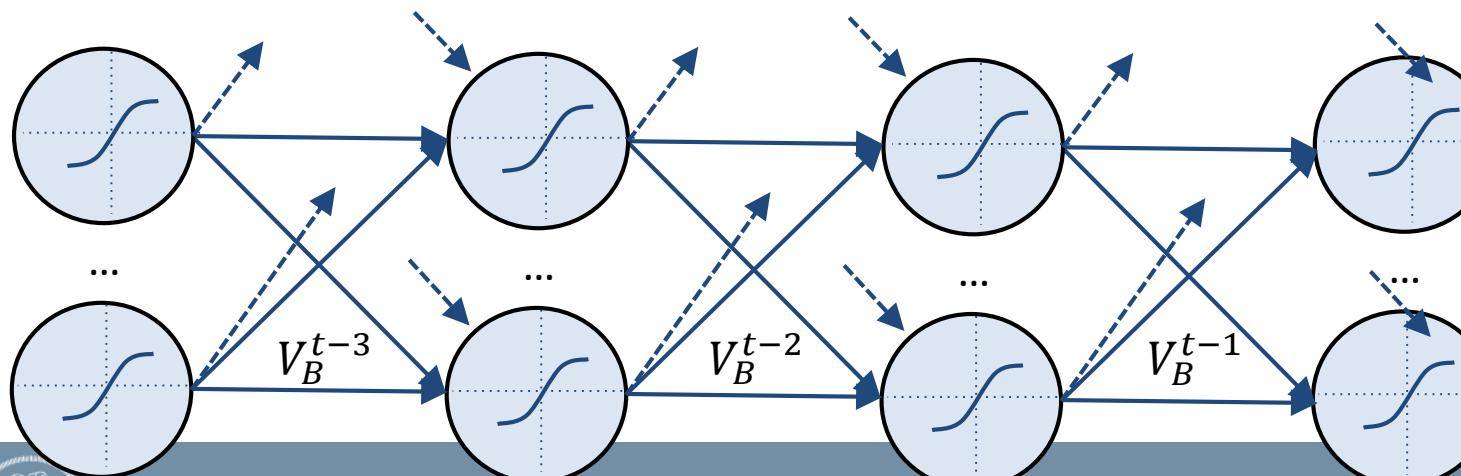
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- Perform network unroll for  $U$  steps
- Initialize  $V, V_B$  replicas to be the same
- Compute gradients and update replicas with the average of their gradients

$$V = V - \eta \cdot \frac{1}{U} \sum_0^{U-1} V^{t-u} \quad V_B = V_B - \eta \cdot \frac{1}{U} \sum_0^{U-1} V_B^{t-u}$$



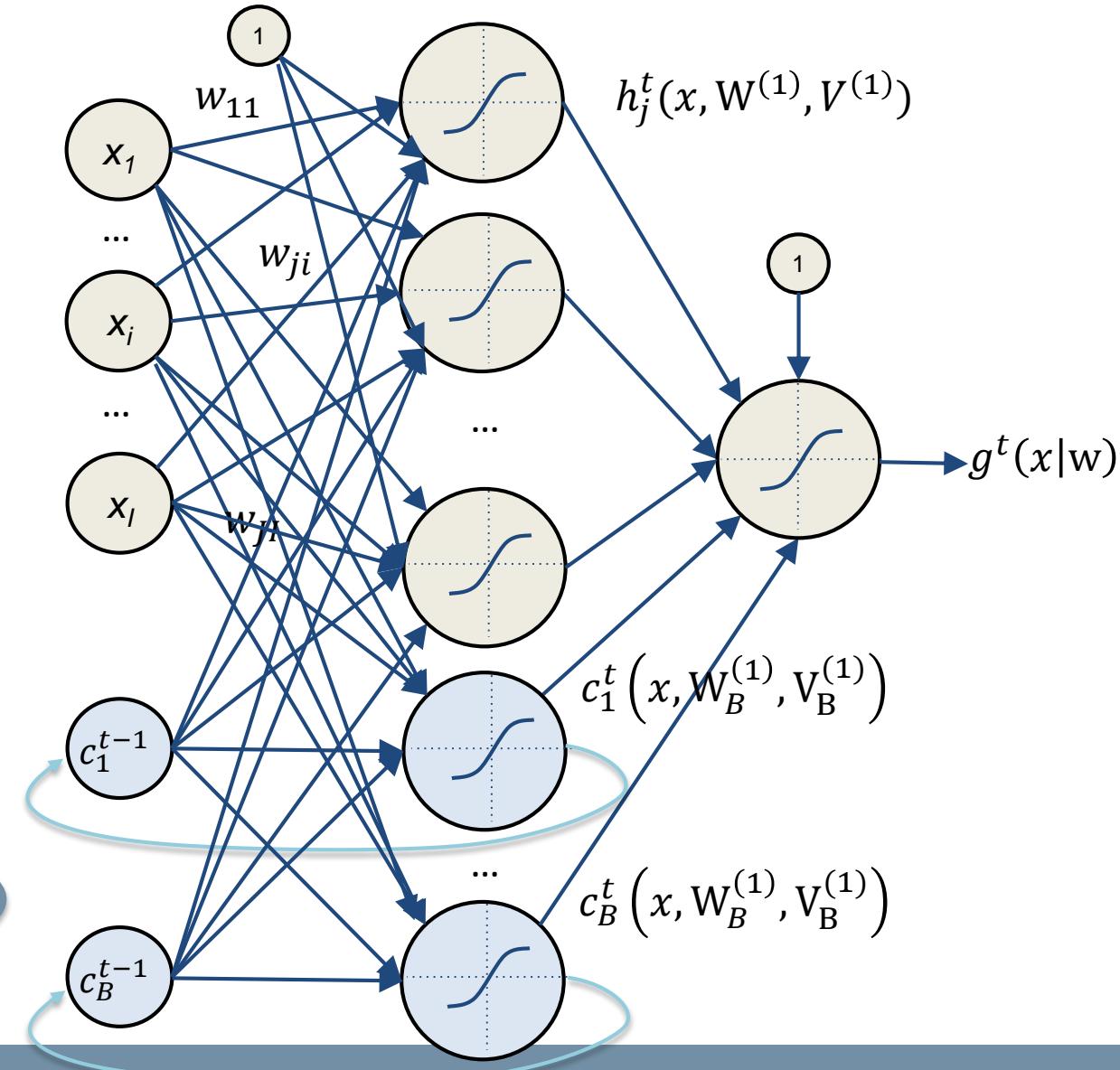
# How much should we go back in time?

Sometime the output might be related to some input happened quite long before

Jane walked into the room. John walked in too.  
It was late in the day. Jane said hi to <???>

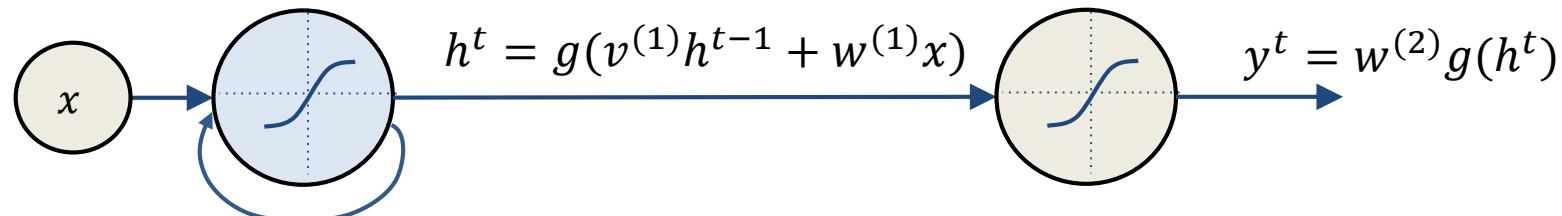
However backpropagation through time was not able to train recurrent neural networks significantly back in time ...

Was due to not being able to backprop through many layers ...



## How much can we go back in time?

To better understand why it was not working let consider a simplified case:



Backpropagation over an entire sequence is computed as

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w} = \sum_{t=1}^S \frac{\partial E^t}{\partial w} \rightarrow \frac{\partial E^t}{\partial w} = \sum_{t=1}^t \frac{\partial E^t}{\partial y^t} \frac{\partial y^t}{\partial h^t} \frac{\partial h^t}{\partial h^k} \frac{\partial h^k}{\partial w} \rightarrow \frac{\partial h^t}{\partial h^k} = \prod_{i=k+1}^t \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial h_{i-1}} = \prod_{i=k+1}^t v^{(1)} g'(h^{i-1})$$

If we consider the norm of these terms

$$\left\| \frac{\partial h_i}{\partial h_{i-1}} \right\| = \|v^{(1)}\| \|g'(h^{i-1})\| \rightarrow \left\| \frac{\partial h^t}{\partial h^k} \right\| \leq (\gamma_v \cdot \gamma_{g'})^{t-k}$$

If  $(\gamma_v \gamma_{g'}) < 1$  this converges to 0 ...

With Sigmoids and Tanh we have vanishing gradients

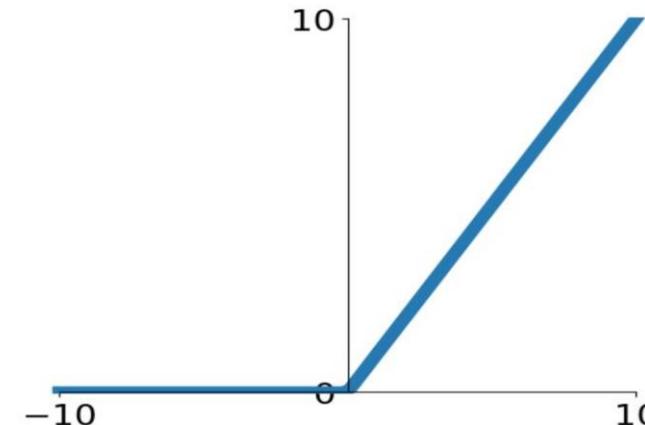


## Dealing with Vanishing Gradient

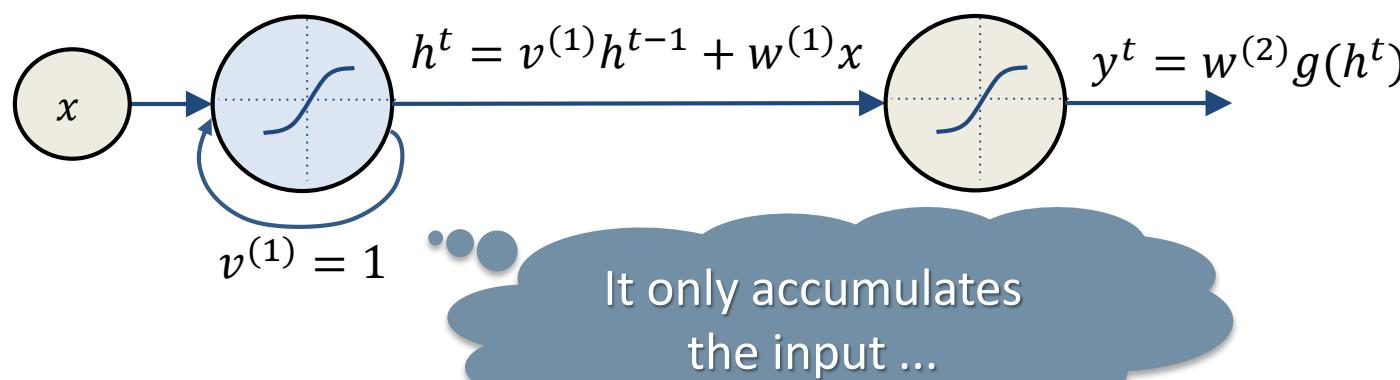
Force all gradients to be either 0 or 1

$$g(a) = \text{ReLU}(a) = \max(0, a)$$

$$g'(a) = 1_{a>0}$$



Build Recurrent Neural Networks using small modules that are designed to remember values for a long time.



# Long-Short Term Memories

Hochreiter & Schmidhuber (1997) solved the problem of vanishing gradient designing a memory cell using logistic and linear units with multiplicative interactions:

- Information gets into the cell whenever its “*write*” gate is on.
- The information stays in the cell so long as its “*keep*” gate is on.
- Information is read from the cell by turning on its “*read*” gate.

Can backpropagate through this since the loop has fixed weight.

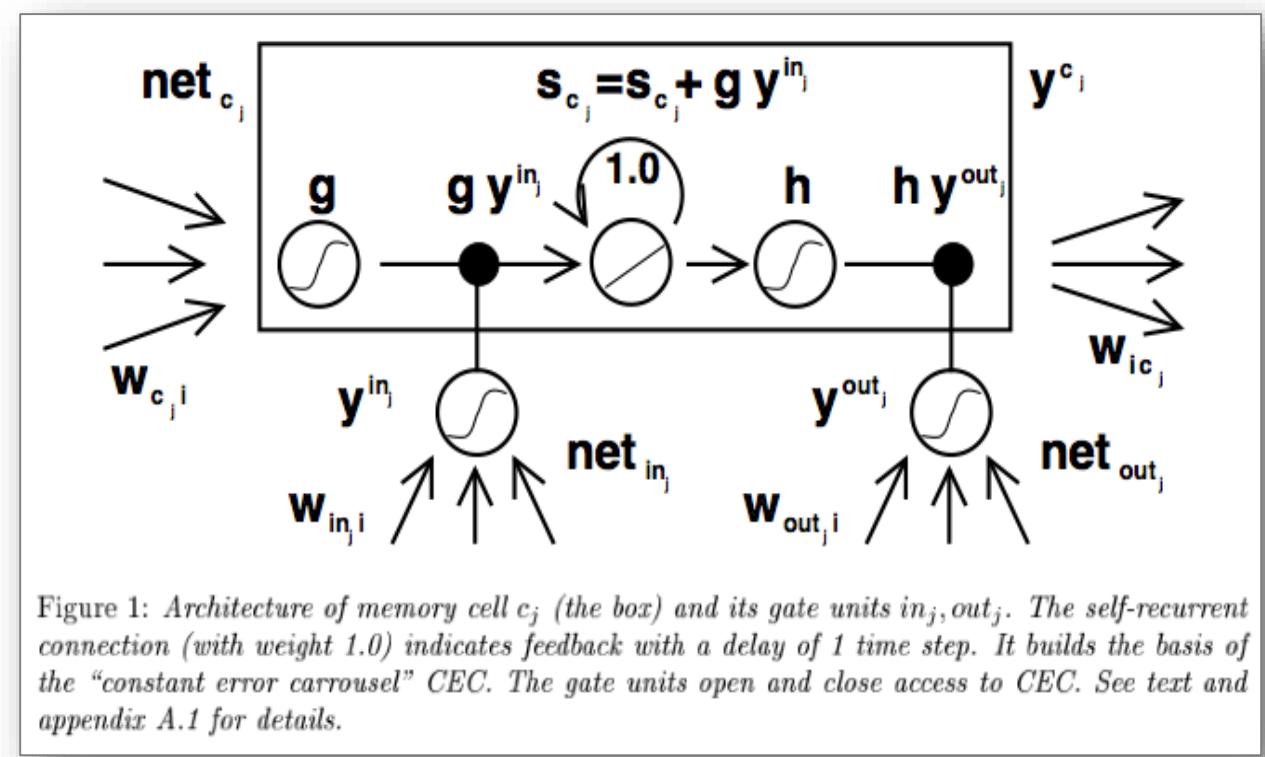
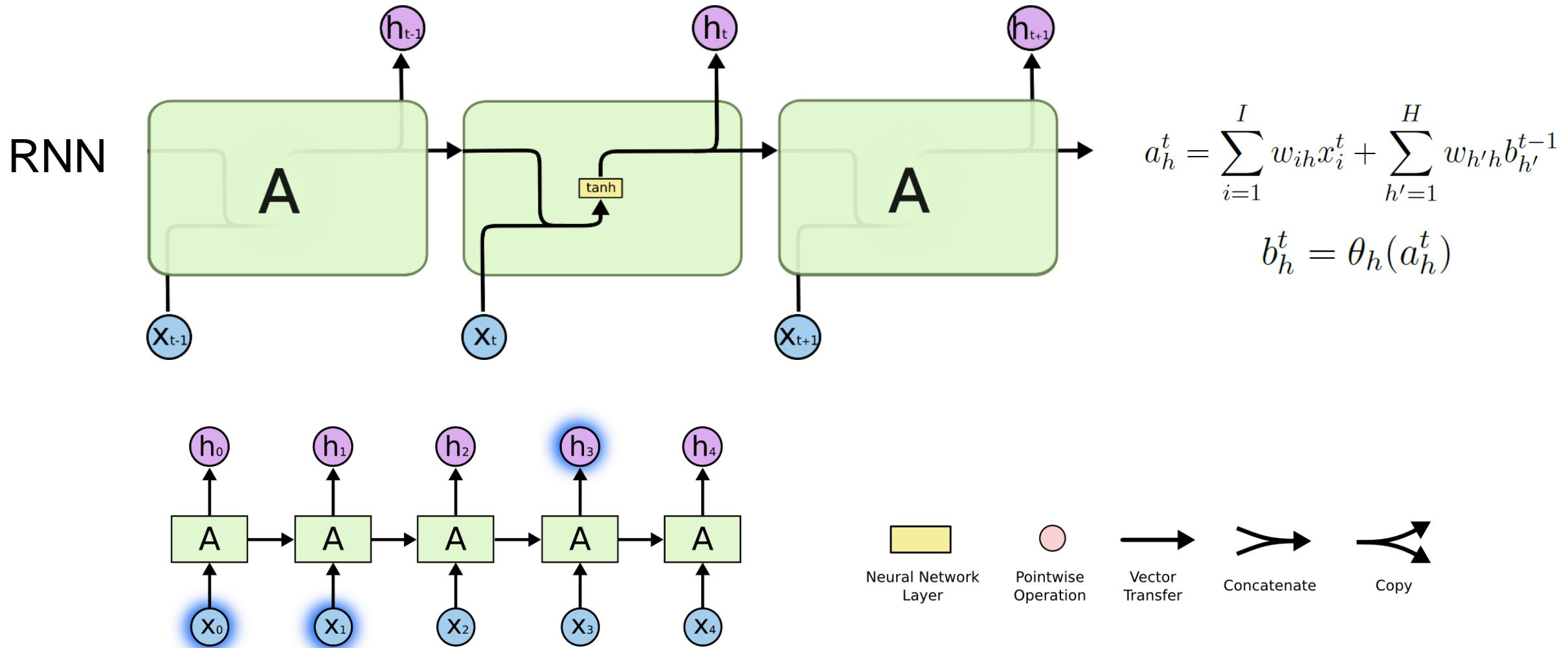


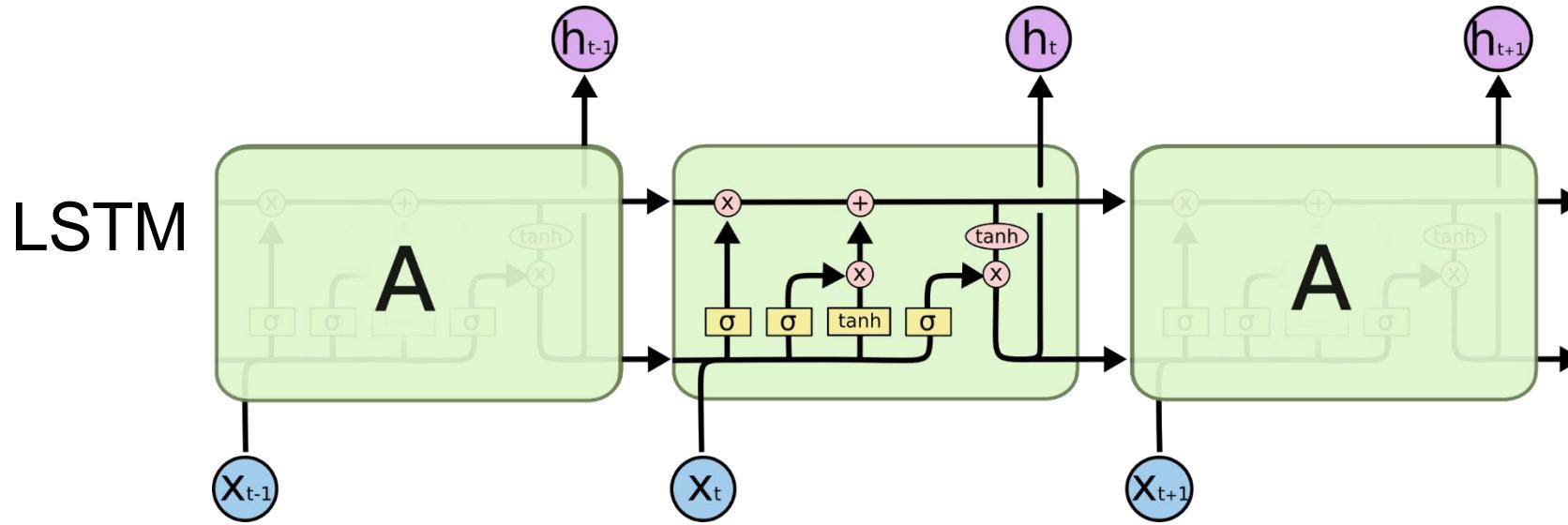
Figure 1: Architecture of memory cell  $c_j$  (the box) and its gate units  $in_j, out_j$ . The self-recurrent connection (with weight 1.0) indicates feedback with a delay of 1 time step. It builds the basis of the “constant error carousel” CEC. The gate units open and close access to CEC. See text and appendix A.1 for details.



# RNN vs. LSTM



# Long Short Term Memory



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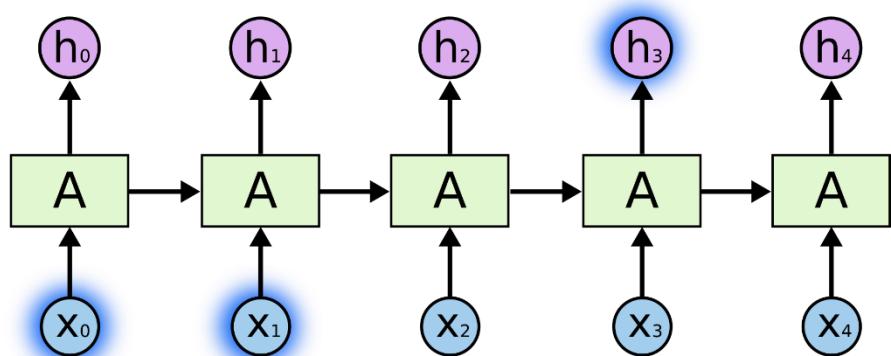
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Neural Network Layer

Pointwise Operation

Vector Transfer

Concatenate

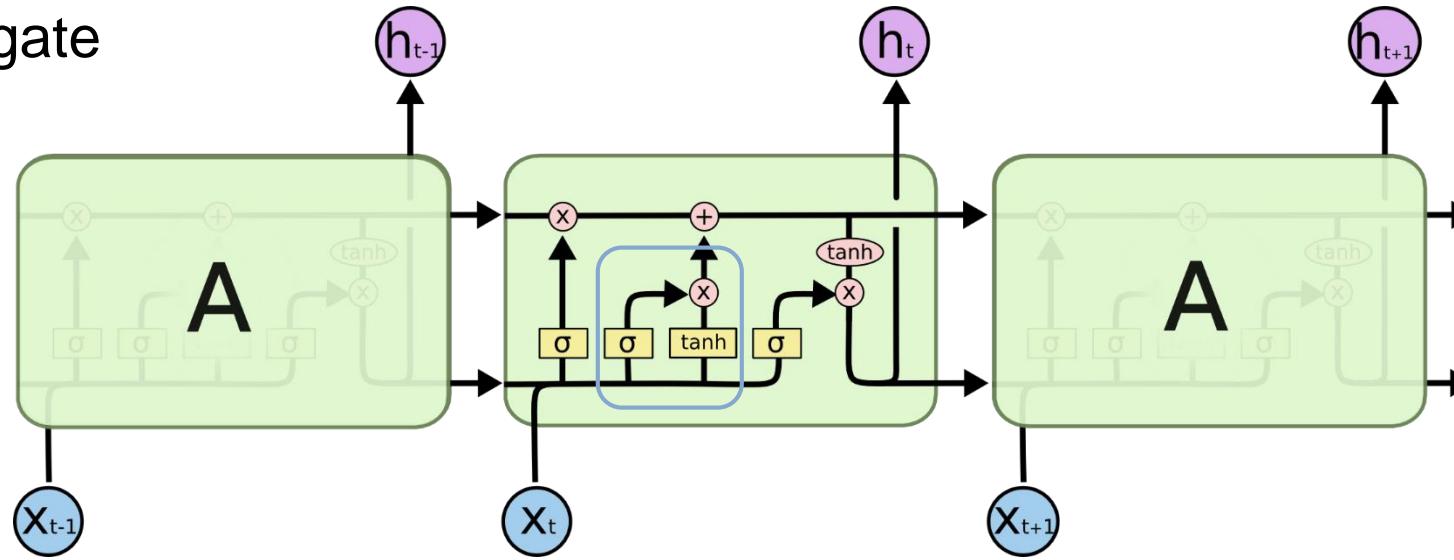
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Input gate

LSTM



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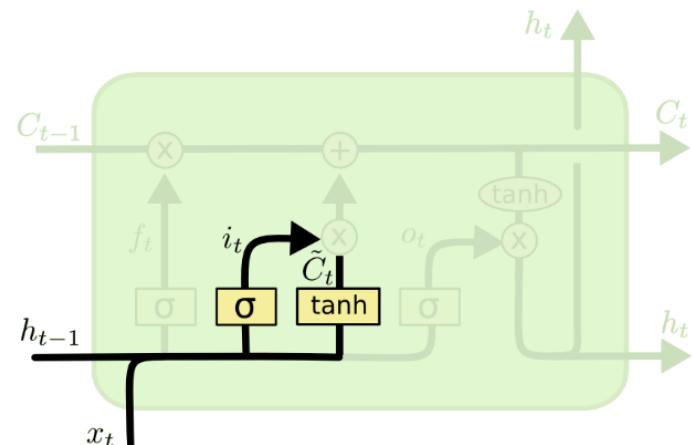
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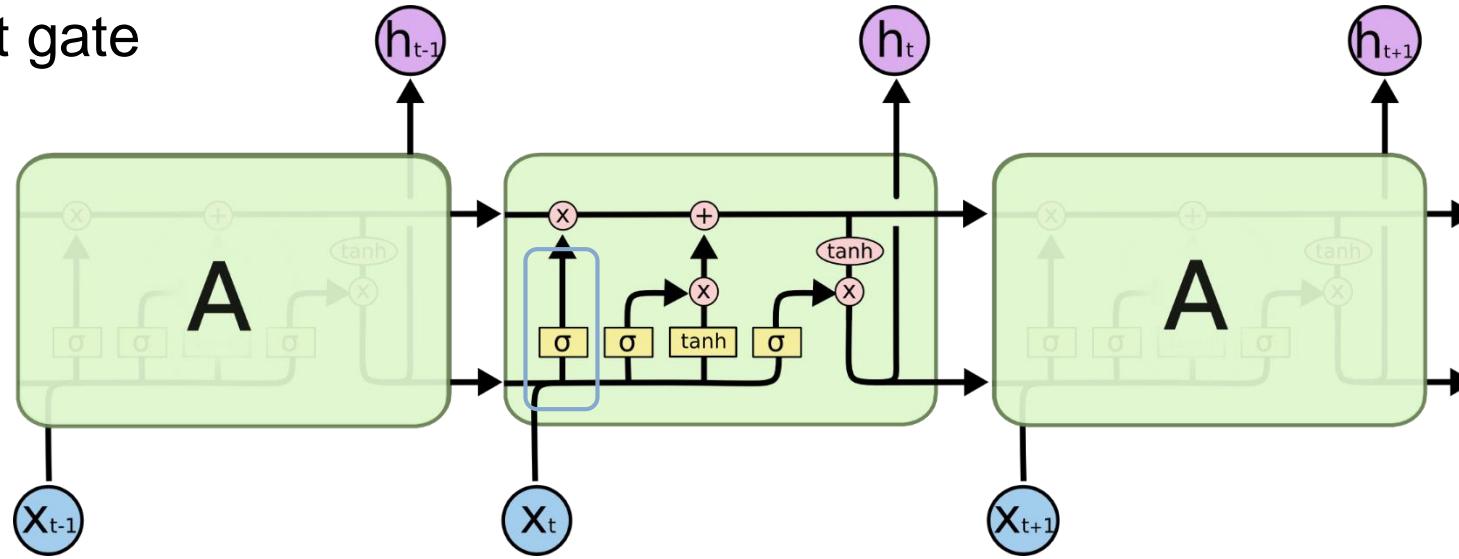
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# Long Short Term Memory

Forget gate

LSTM



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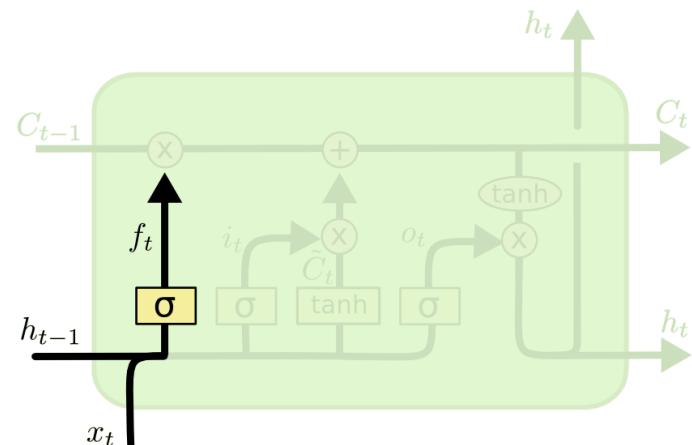
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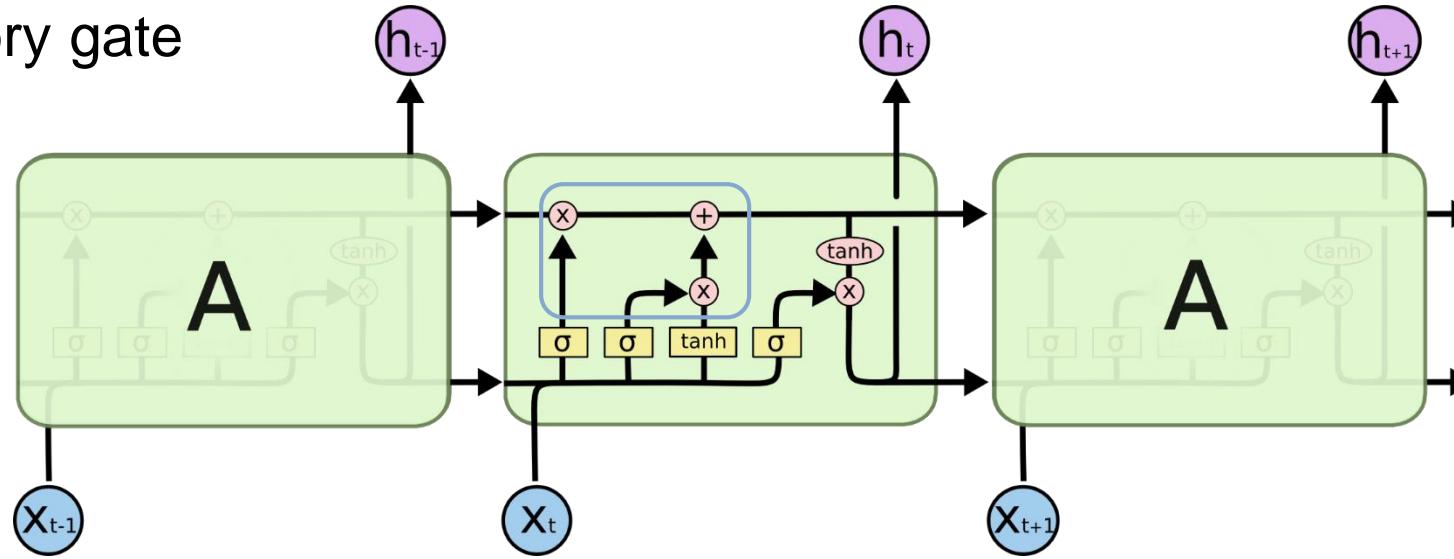
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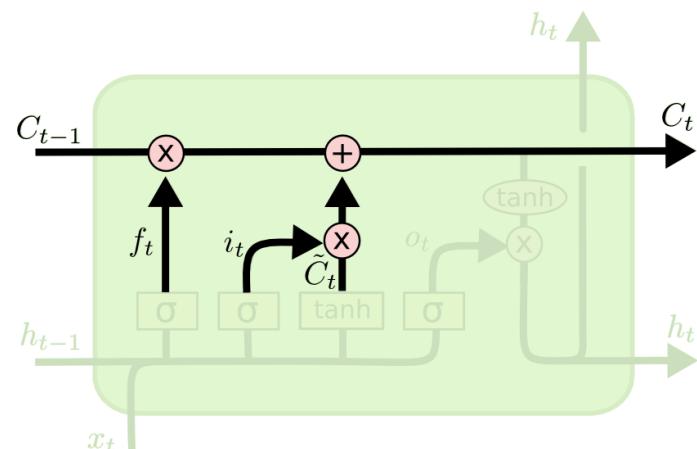
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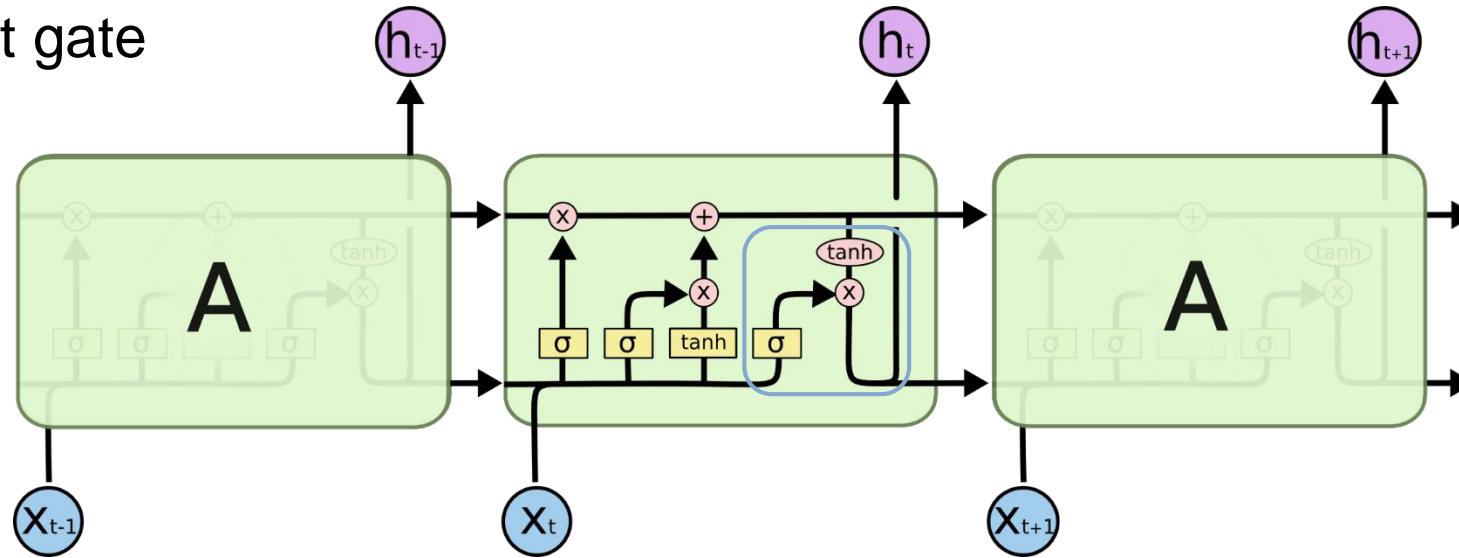
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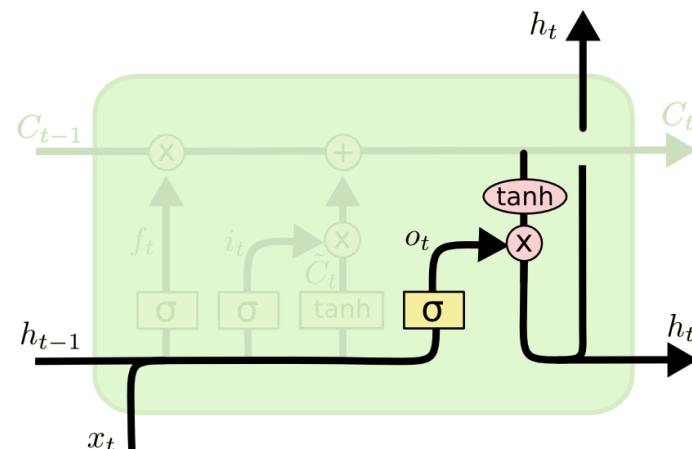
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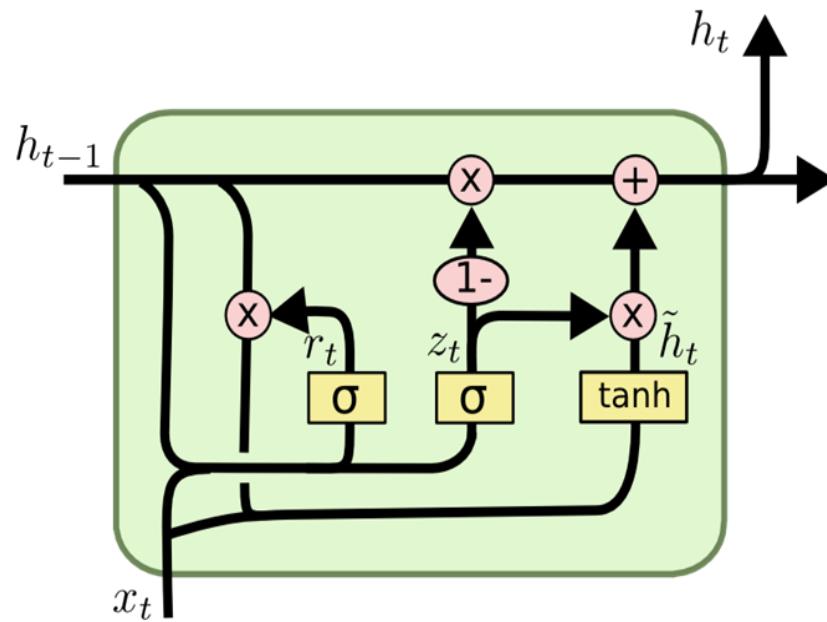
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## Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU)

It combines the forget and input gates into a single “update gate.” It also merges the cell state and hidden state, and makes some other changes.



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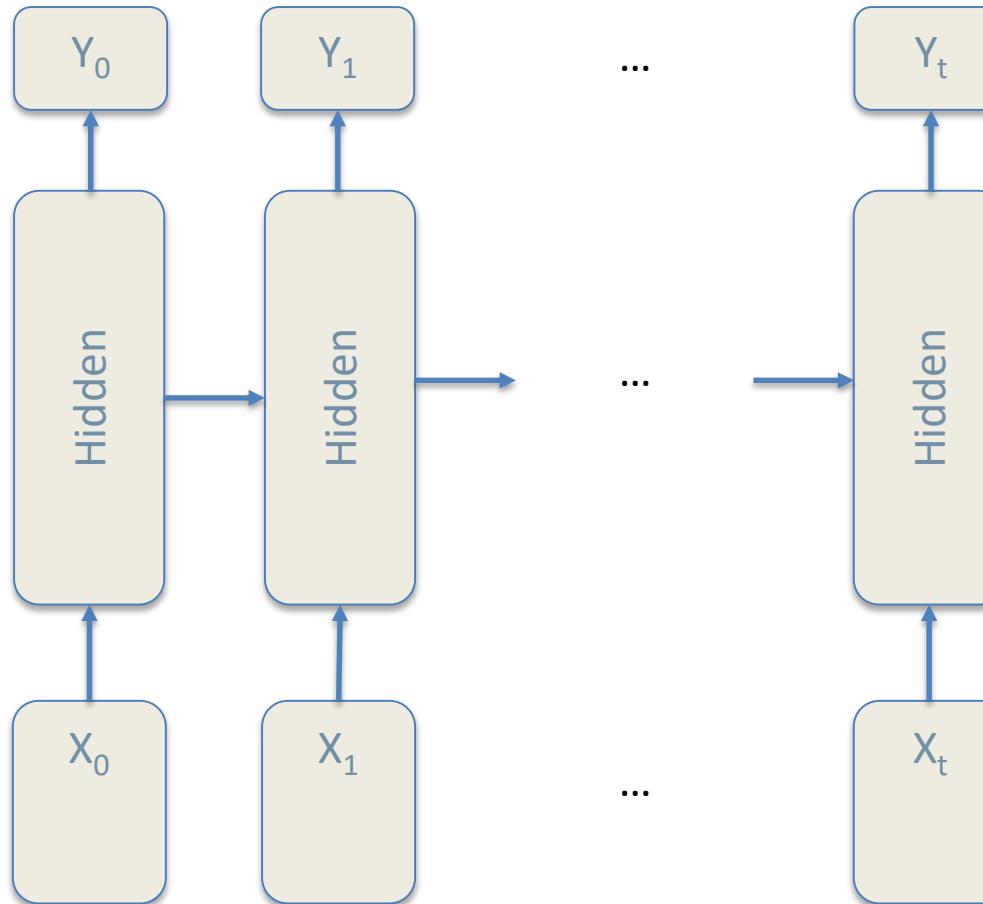
$$r_t = \sigma (W_r \cdot [h_{t-1}, x_t])$$

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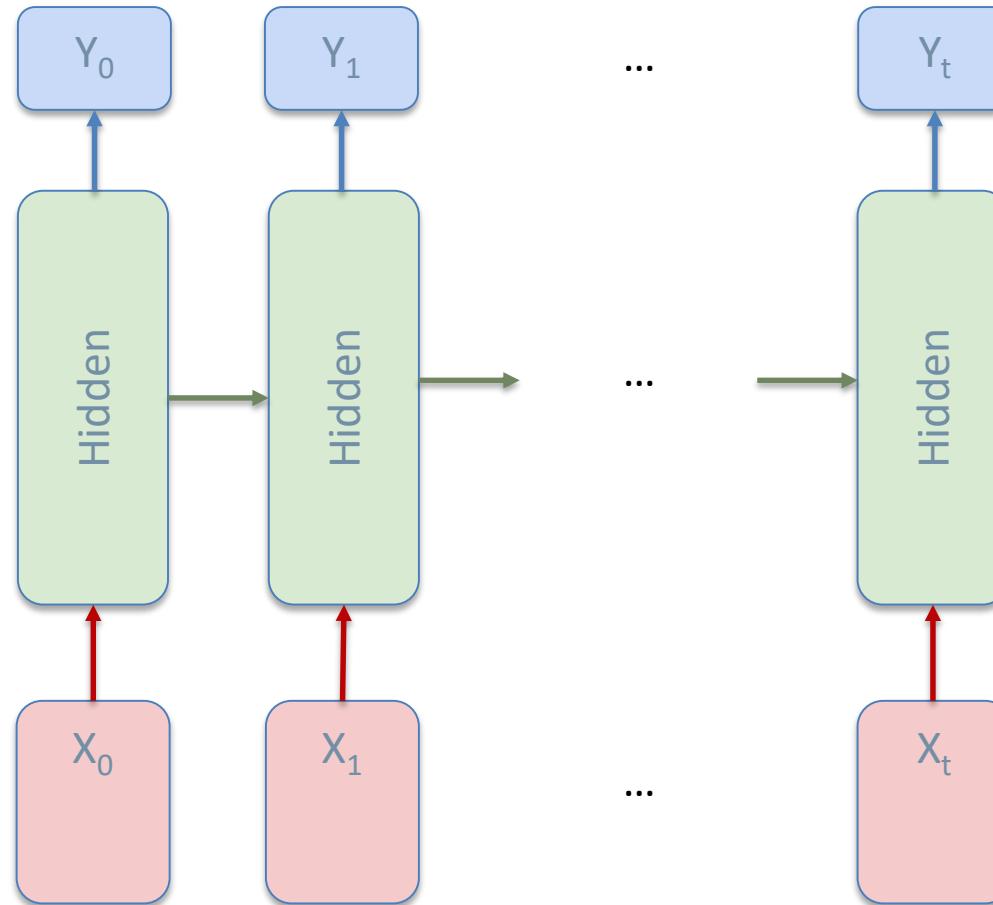
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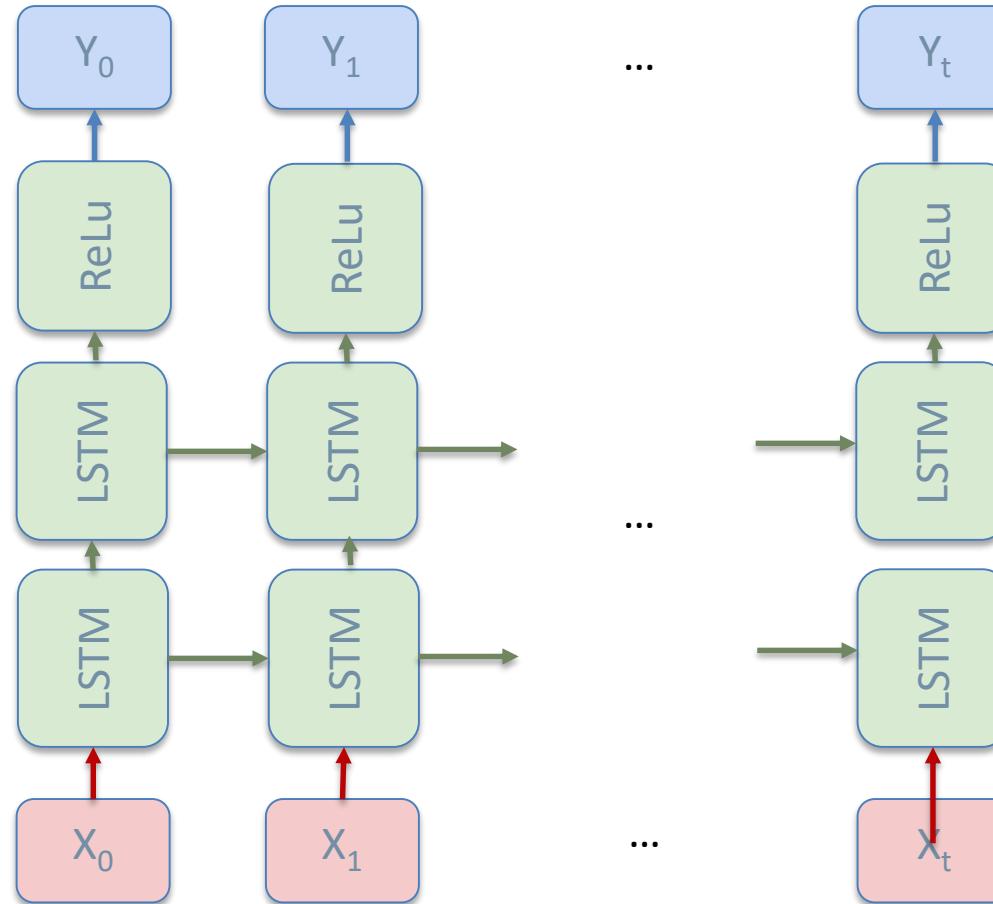


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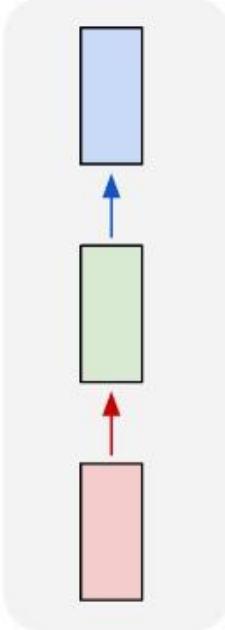
# LSTM Networks

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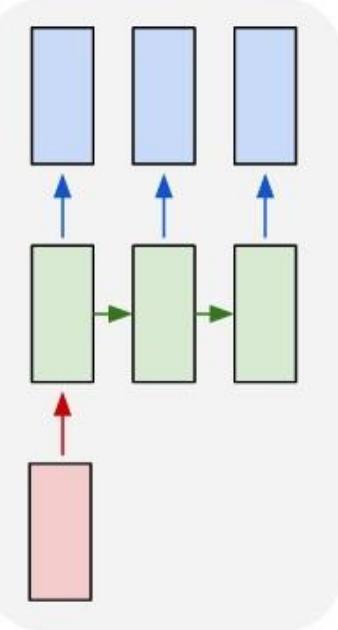
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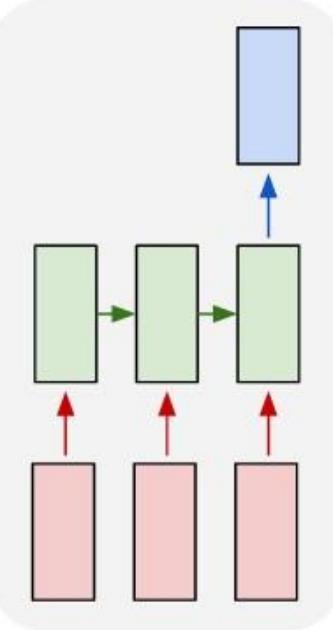
Fixed-sized  
input  
to fixed-sized  
output  
(e.g. image  
classification)

one to many



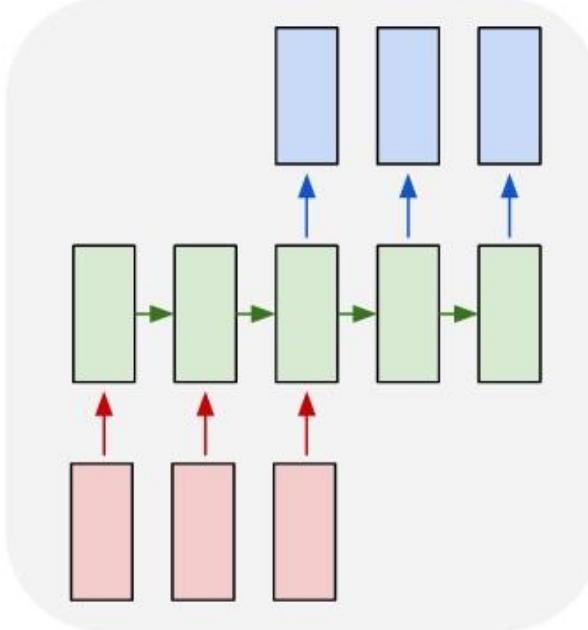
Sequence output  
(e.g. image captioning  
takes an image and  
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words).

many to one



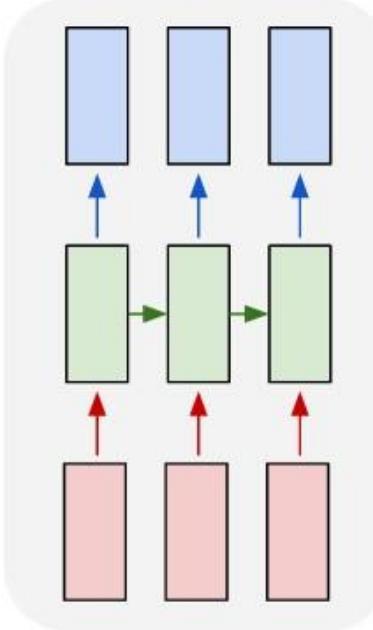
Sequence input (e.g.  
sentiment analysis  
where a given sentence  
is classified as  
expressing positive or  
negative sentiment).

many to many



Sequence input and  
sequence output (e.g.  
Machine Translation: an  
RNN reads a sentence in  
English and then outputs  
a sentence in French)

many to many



Synced sequence input  
and output (e.g. video  
classification where we  
wish to label each frame  
of the video)

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