

Lecture 14

Introduction to

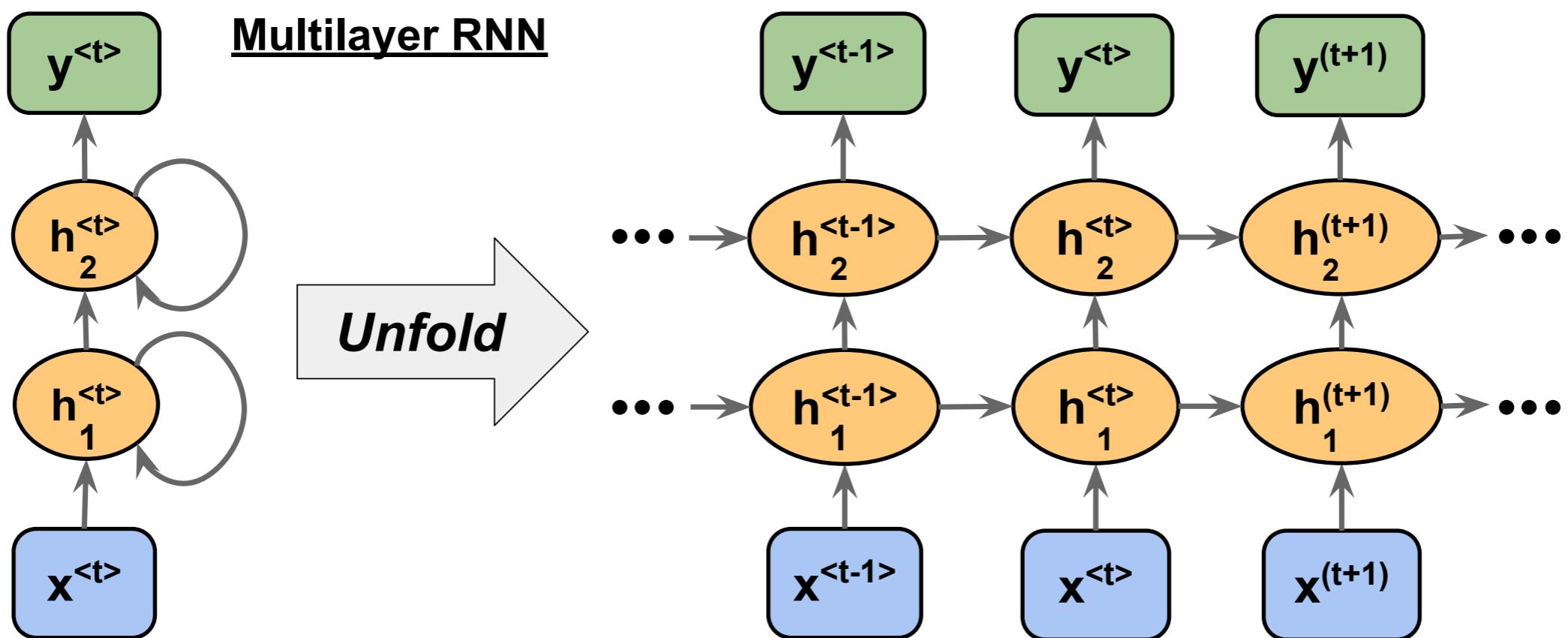
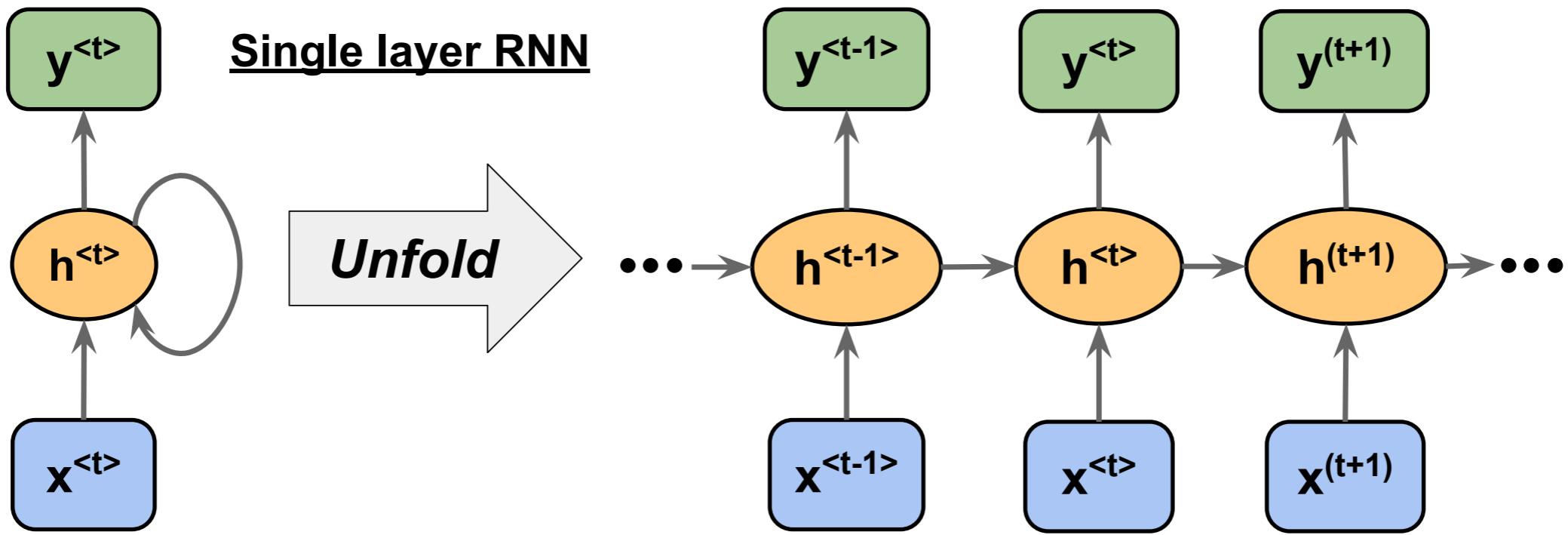
Recurrent Neural Networks

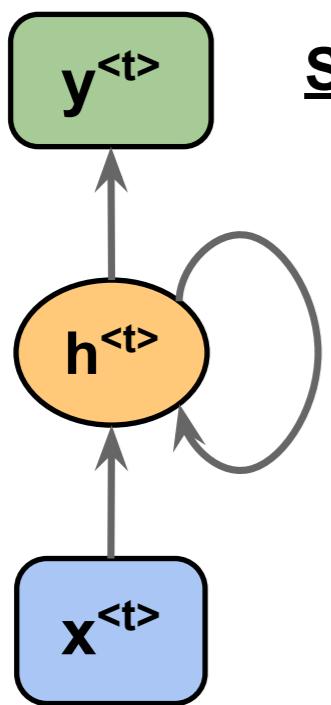
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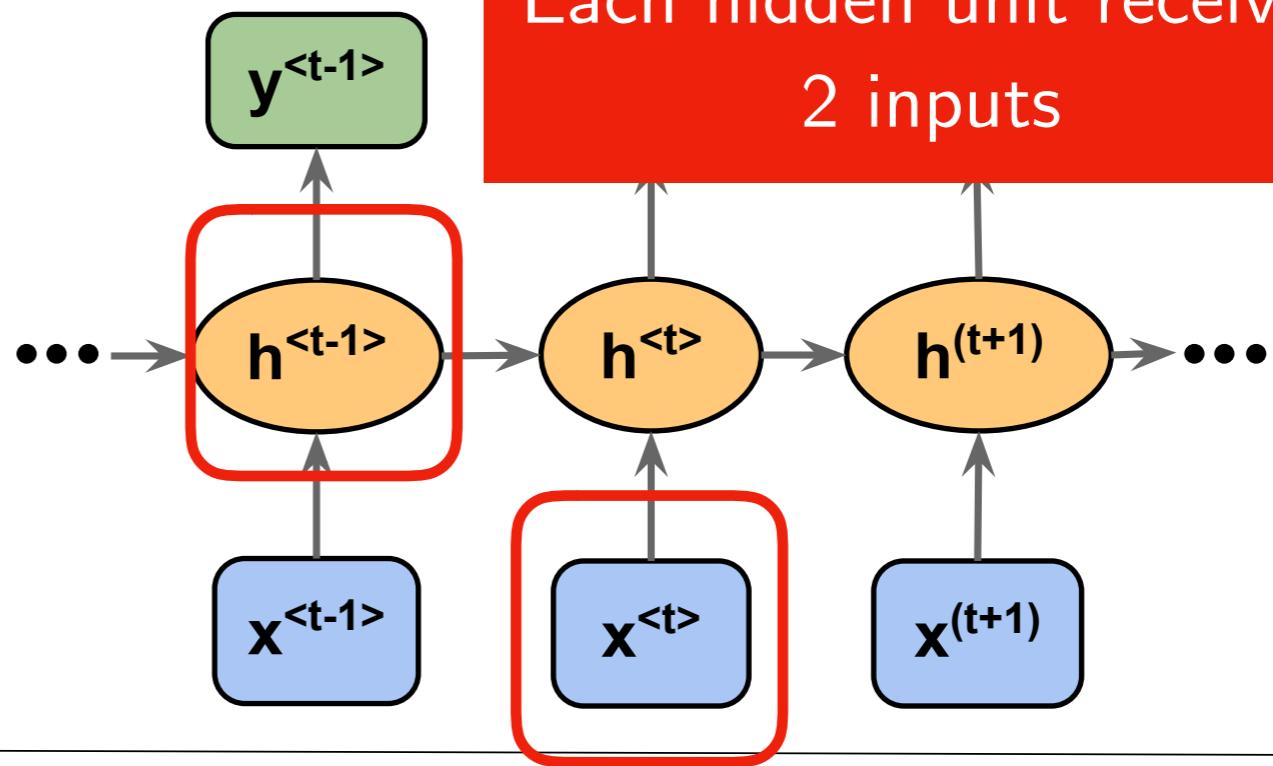
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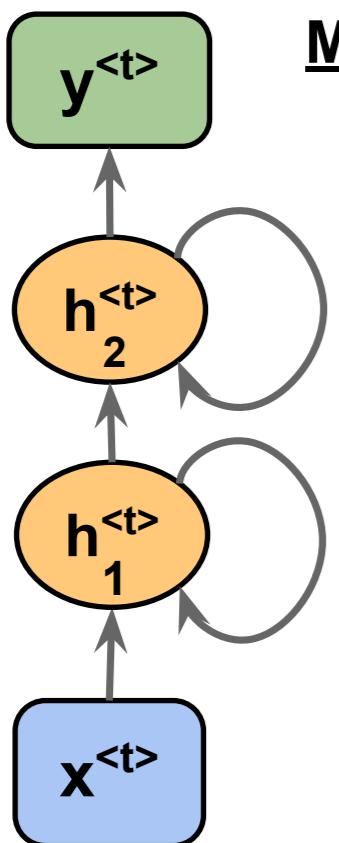


Single layer RNN

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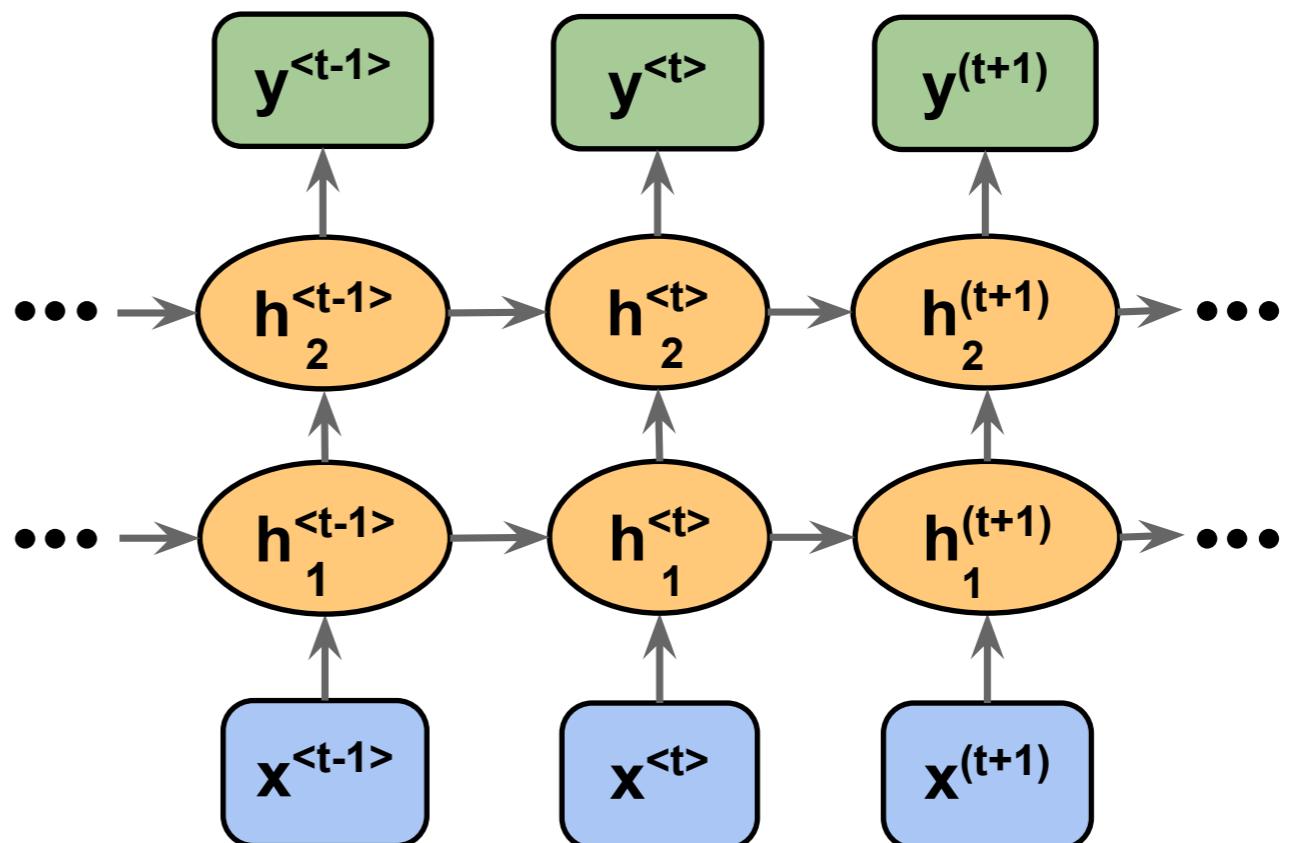


Each hidden unit receives
2 inputs

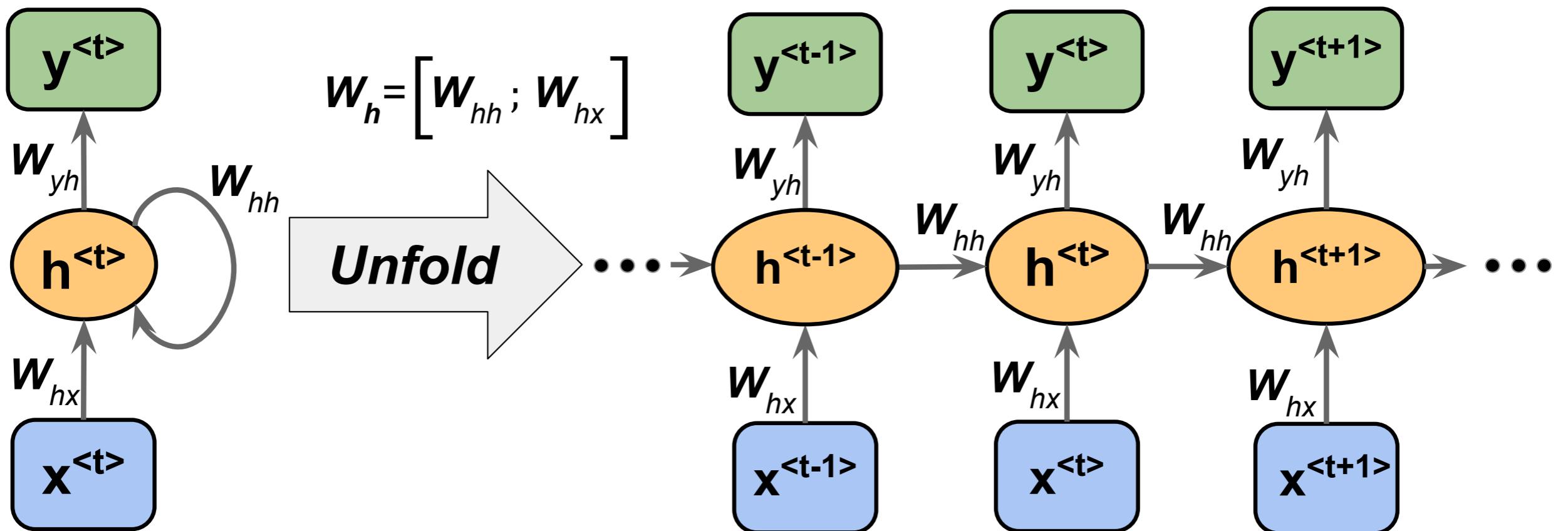


Multilayer RNN

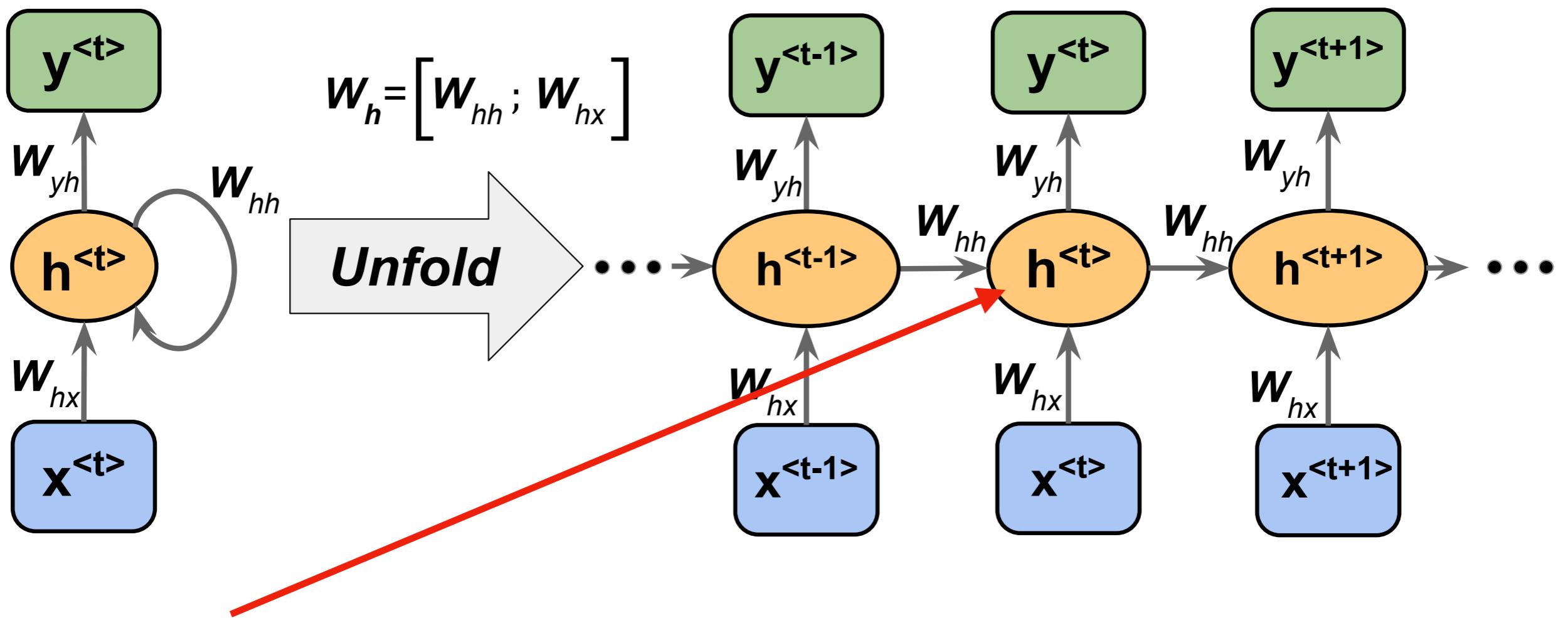
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Weight matrices in a single-hidden layer RNN



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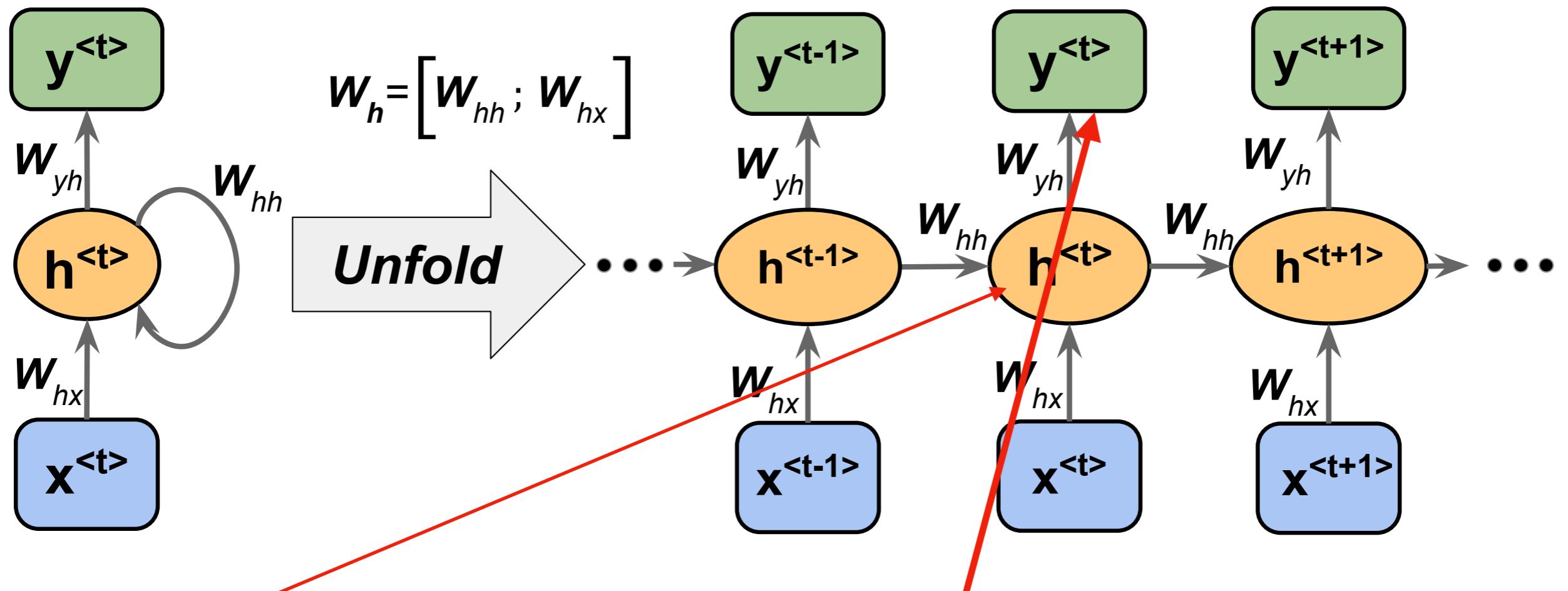
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Activation:

$$\mathbf{h}^{<t>} = \sigma_h(\mathbf{z}_h^{<t>})$$

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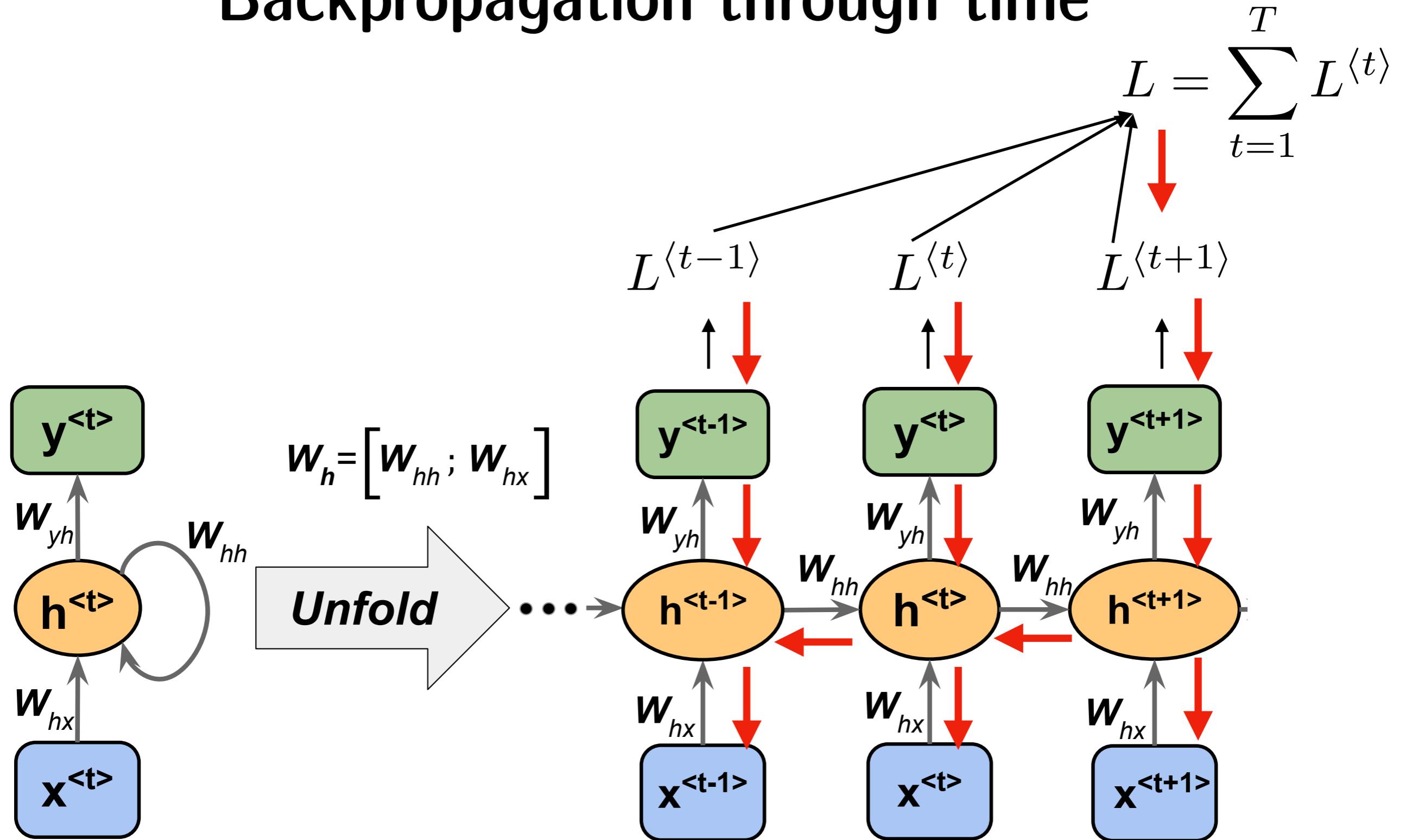
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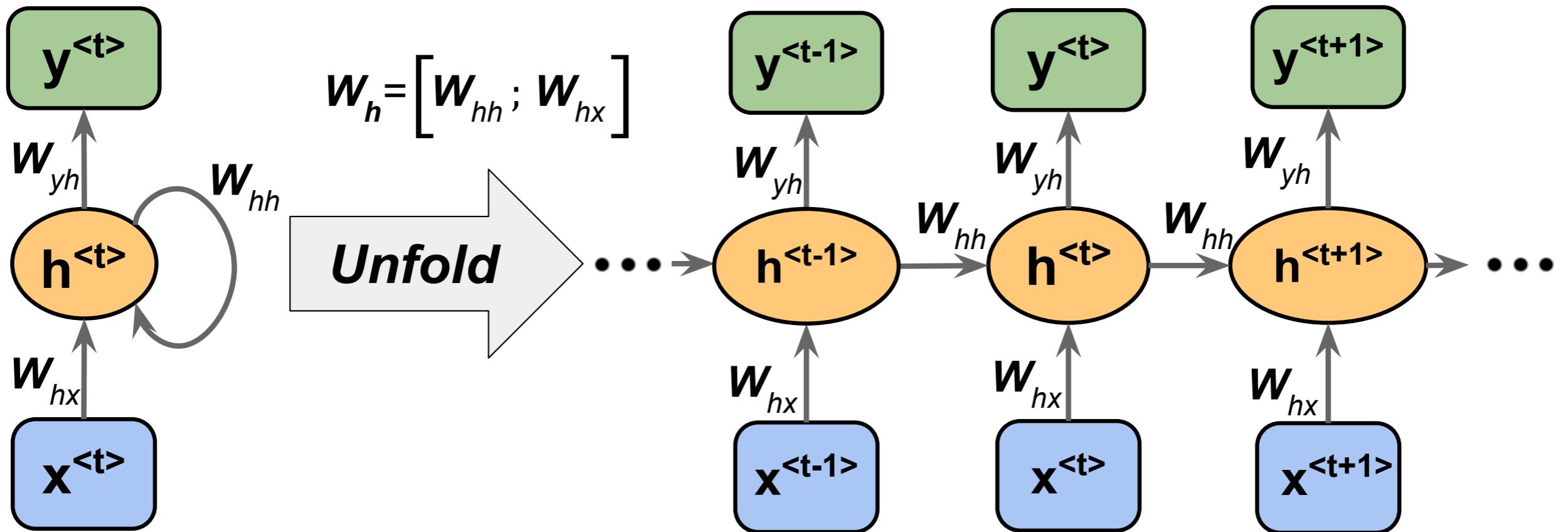
Output:

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Backpropagation through time



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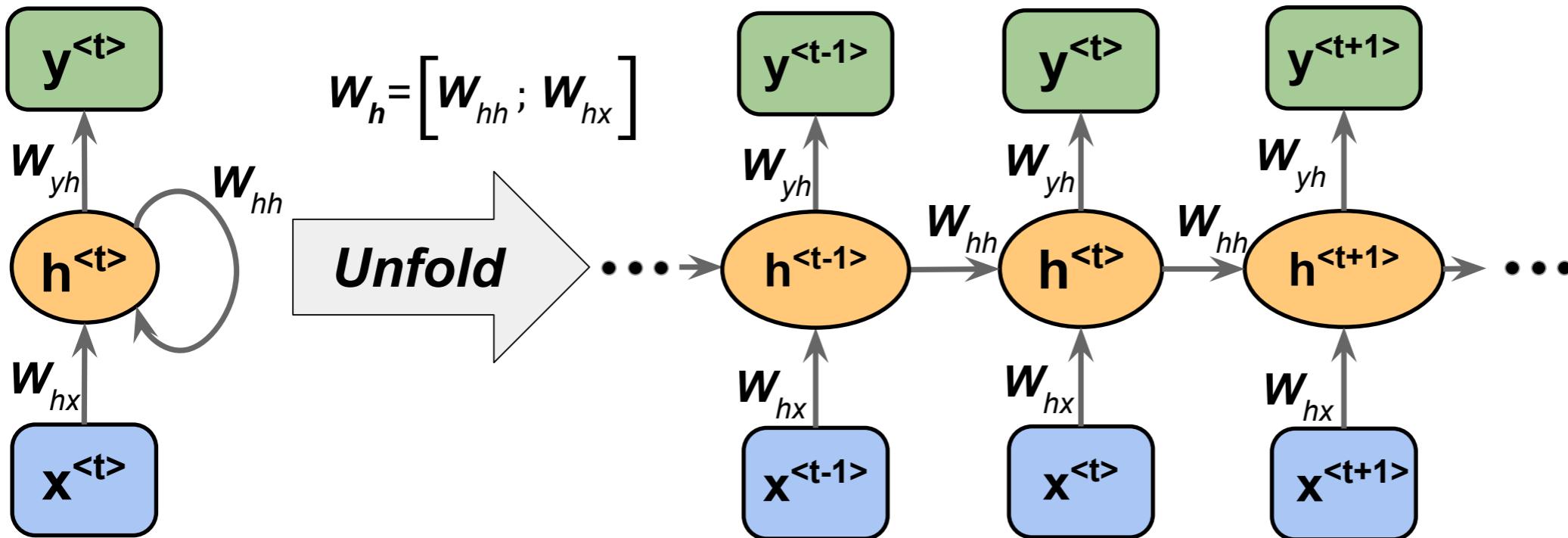


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The loss is computed as the sum over all time steps:

$$L = \sum_{t=1}^T L^{<t>}$$

Backpropagation through time



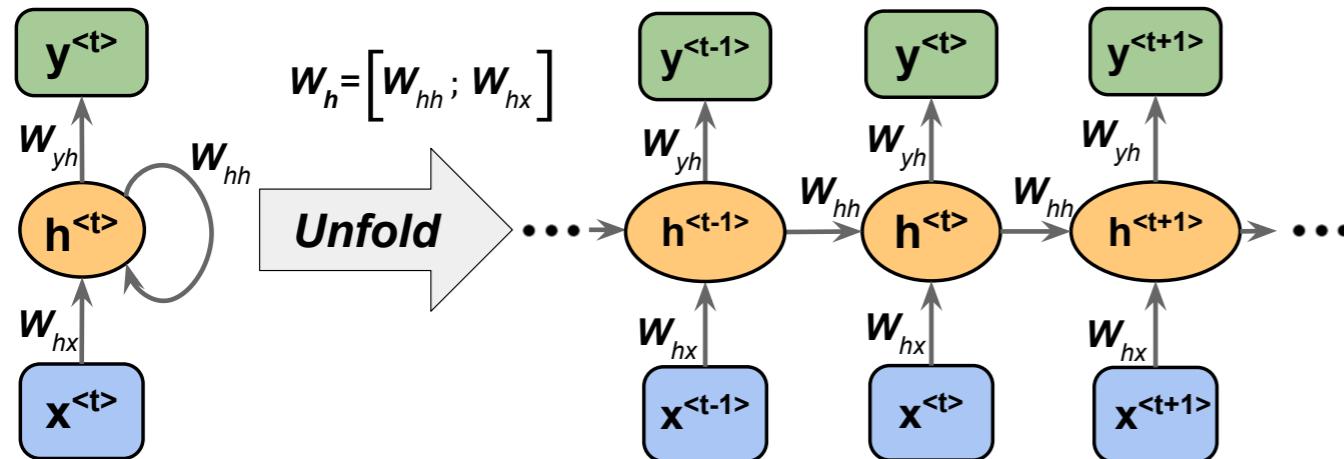
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Backpropagation through time



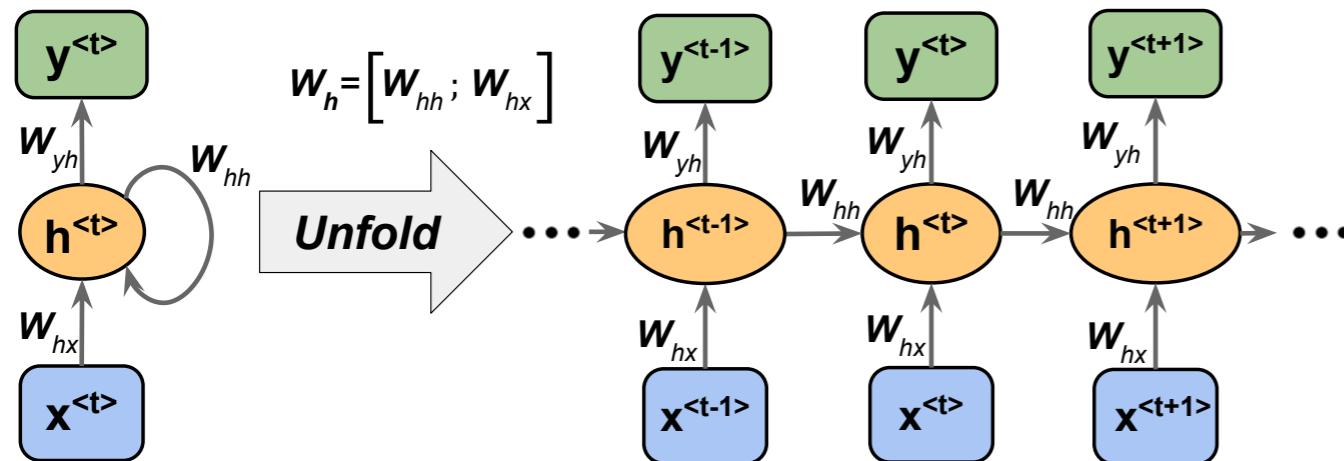
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This is very problematic:
Vanishing/Exploding gradient problem!

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(t)}}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(k)}} = \prod_{i=k+1}^t \frac{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(i)}}{\partial \mathbf{h}^{(i-1)}}$$

A good resource that explains *backpropagation through time* nicely:

Boden, Mikael. "[A guide to recurrent neural networks and backpropagation.](#)" *the Dallas project* (2002).

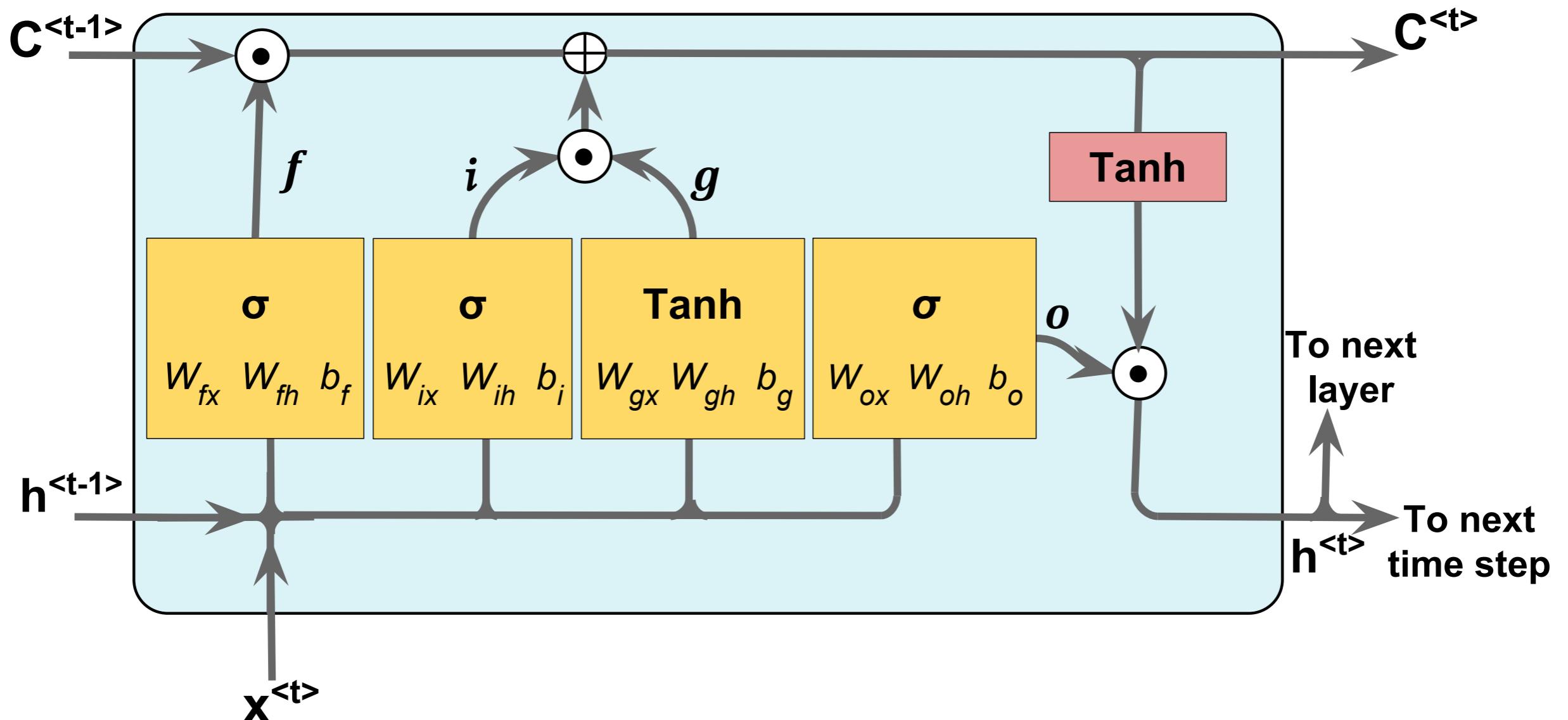
Solutions to the vanishing/exploding gradient problems

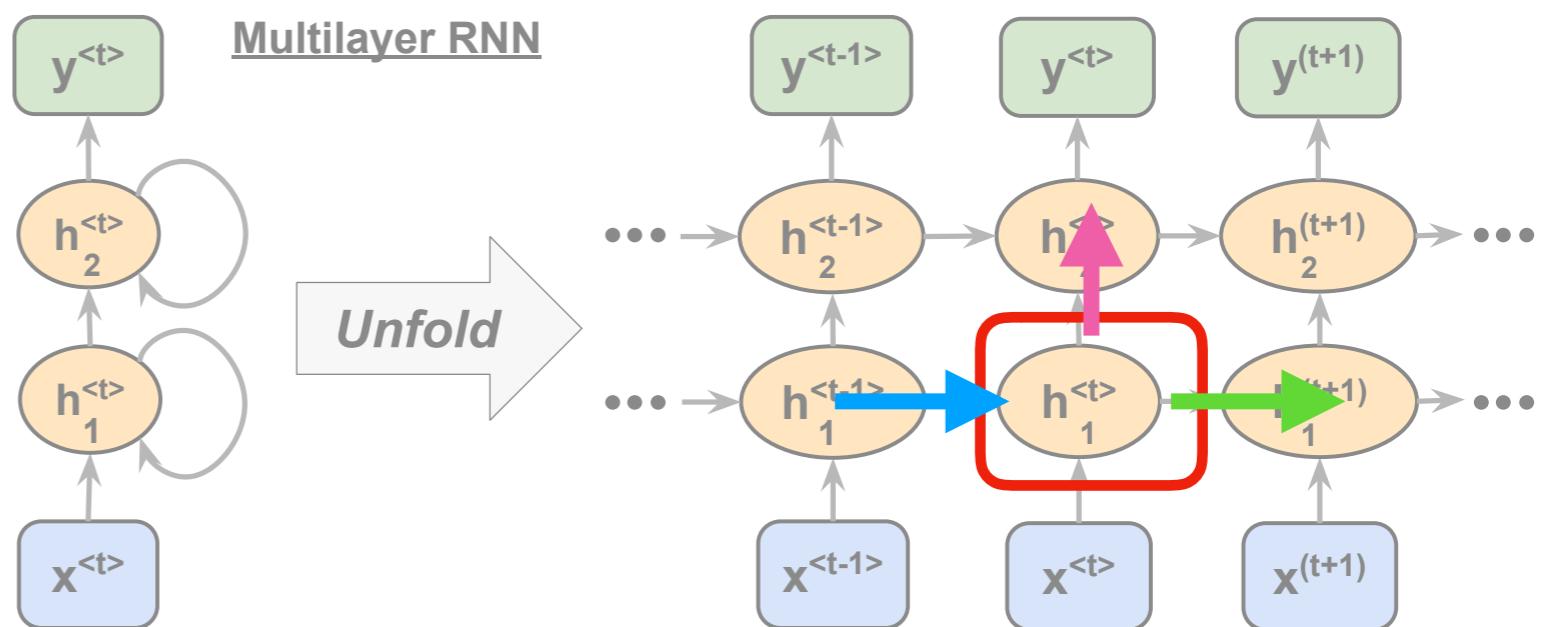
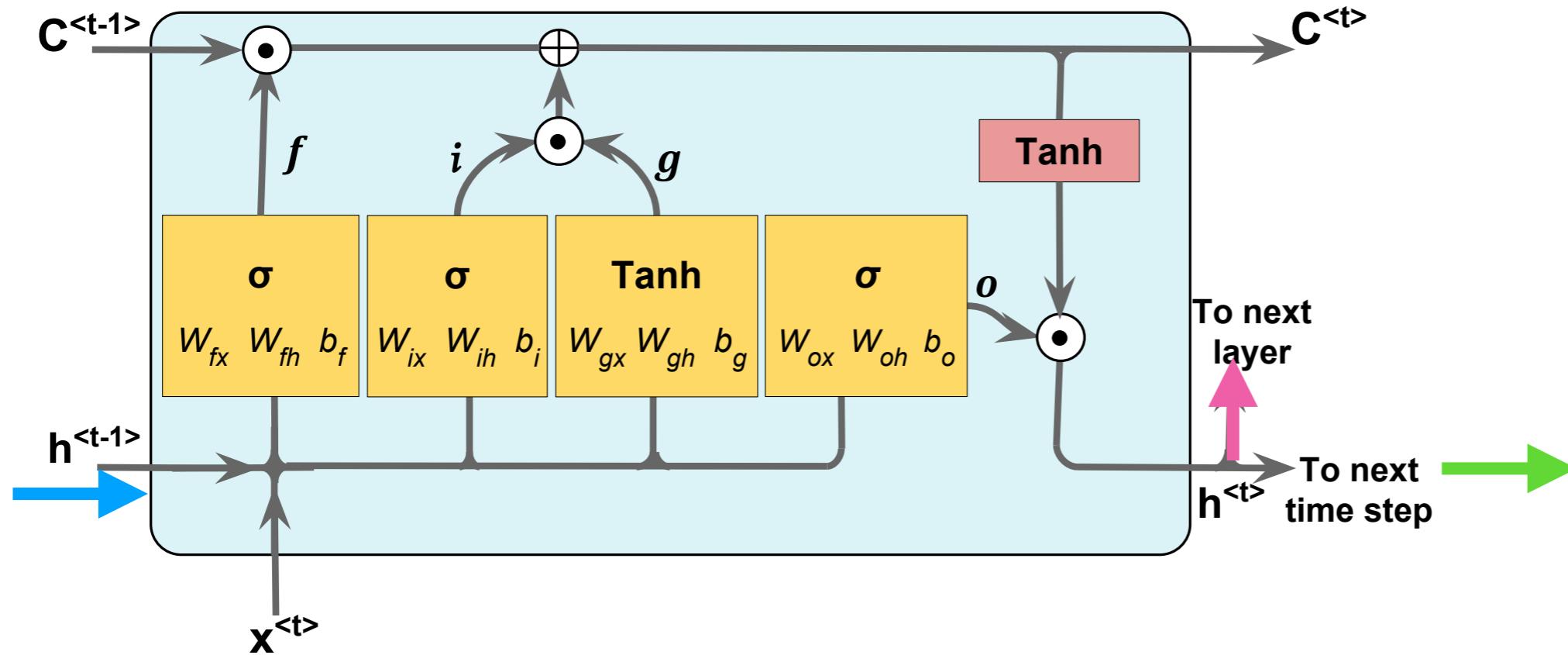
- 1) Gradient Clipping: set a max value for gradients if they grow to large (solves only exploding gradient problem)
- 2) Truncated backpropagation through time (TBPTT)
 - simply limits the number of time steps the signal can backpropagate each forward pass. E.g., even if the sequence has 100 elements/steps, we may only backpropagate through 20 or so
- 3) Long short-term memory (LSTM) -- uses a memory cell for modeling long-range dependencies and avoid vanishing gradient problems

Hochreiter, Sepp, and Jürgen Schmidhuber. "[Long short-term memory.](#)" *Neural computation* 9, no. 8 (1997): 1735-1780.

Long-short term memory (LSTM)

LSTM cell:

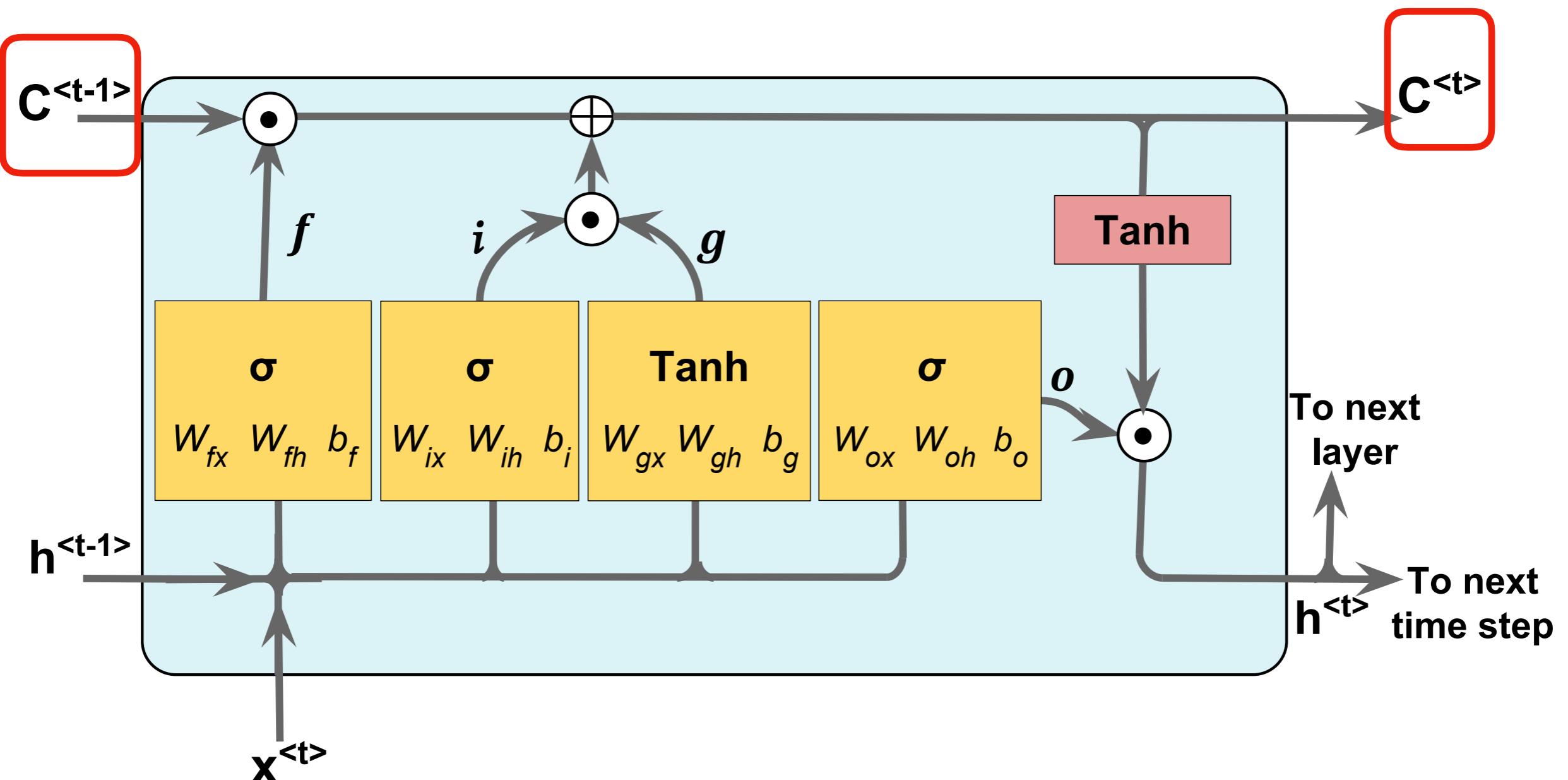




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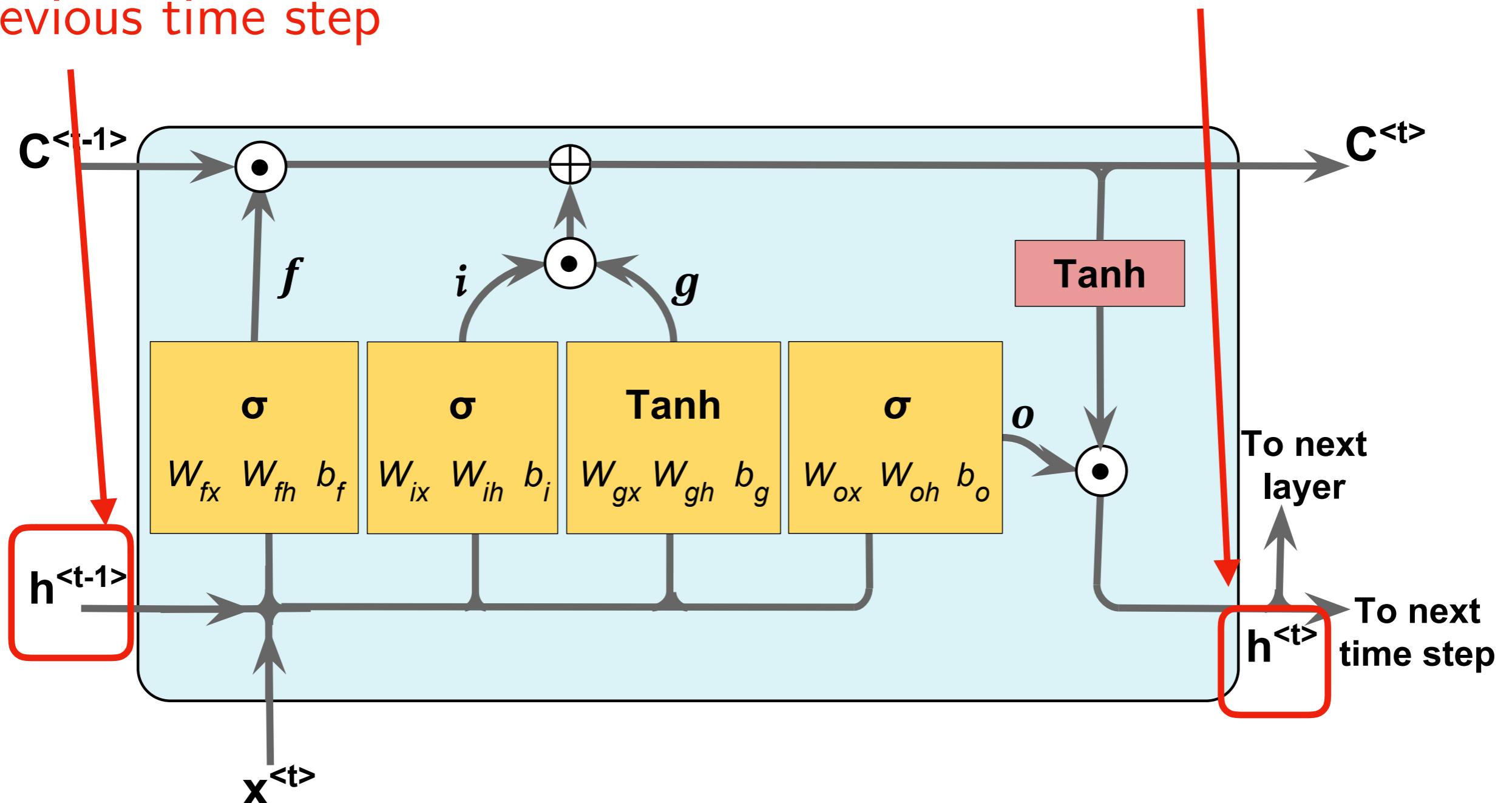
Cell state at previous time step

Cell state at current time step

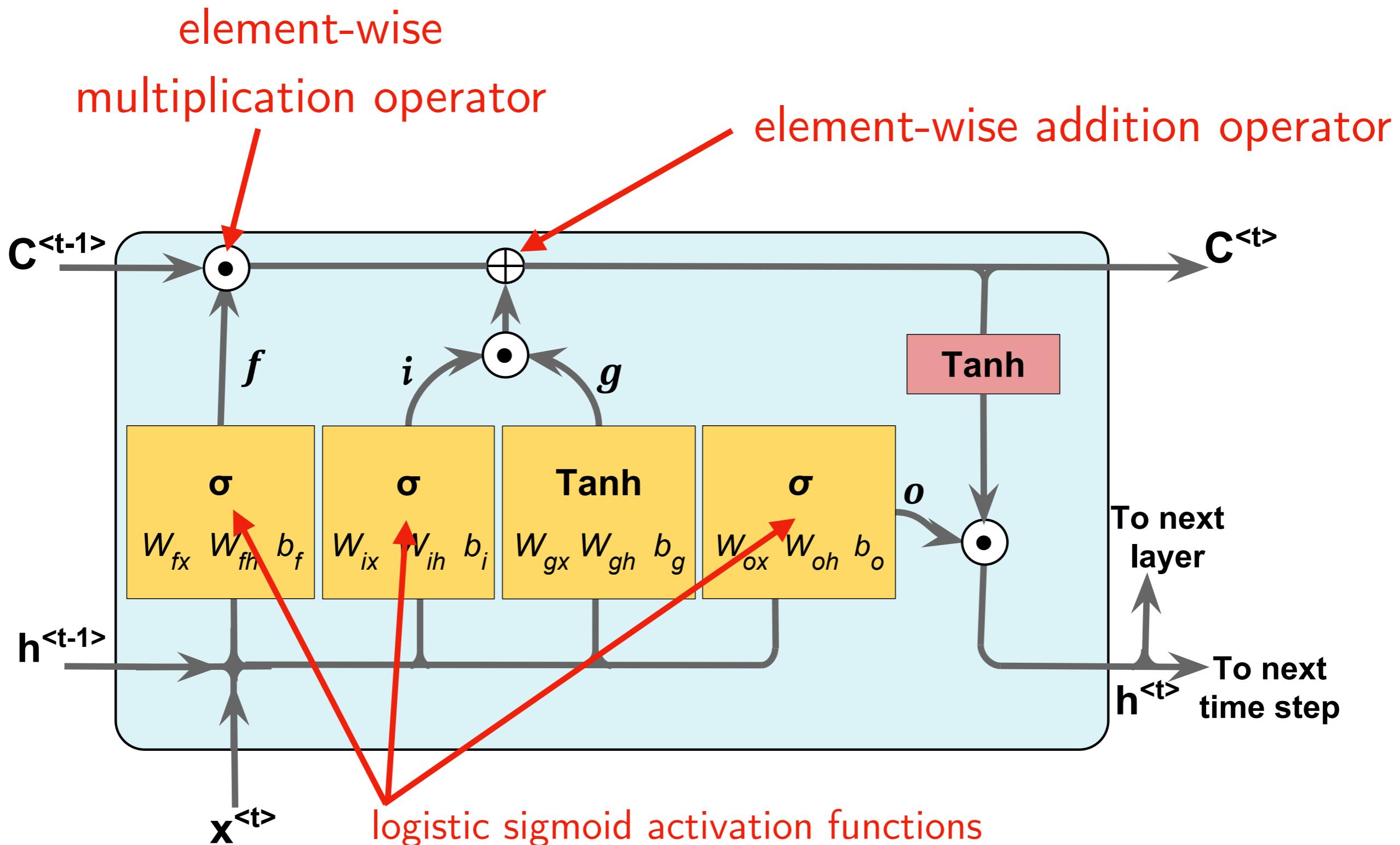


Long-short term memory (LSTM)

activation from
previous time step activation for next time step



Long-short term memory (LSTM)

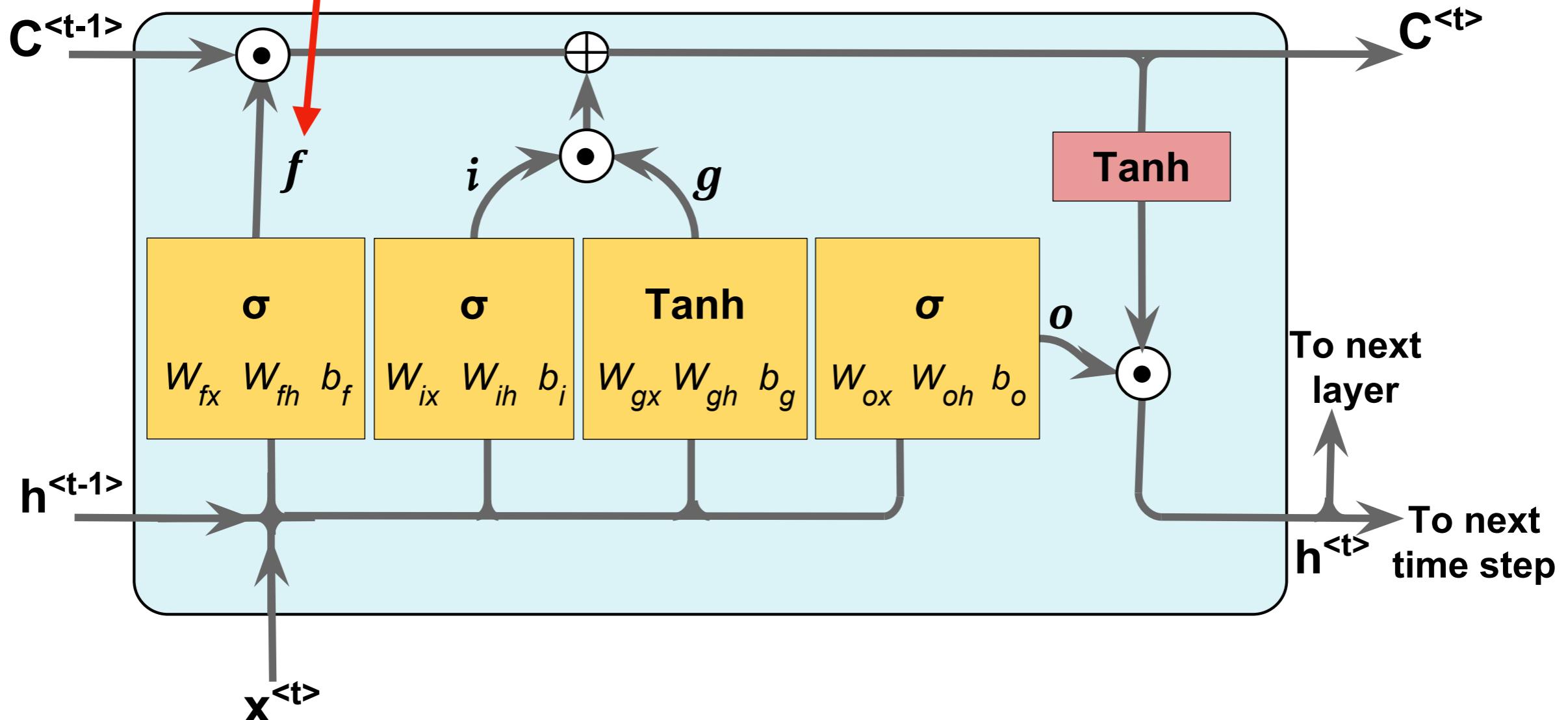


Long-short term memory (LSTM)

Gers, Felix A., Jürgen Schmidhuber, and Fred Cummins. "Learning to forget: Continual prediction with LSTM." (1999): 850-855.

"Forget Gate": controls which information is remembered, and which is forgotten; can reset the cell state

$$f_t = \sigma \left(\mathbf{W}_{fx} \mathbf{x}^{\langle t \rangle} + \mathbf{W}_{fh} \mathbf{h}^{\langle t-1 \rangle} + \mathbf{b}_f \right)$$

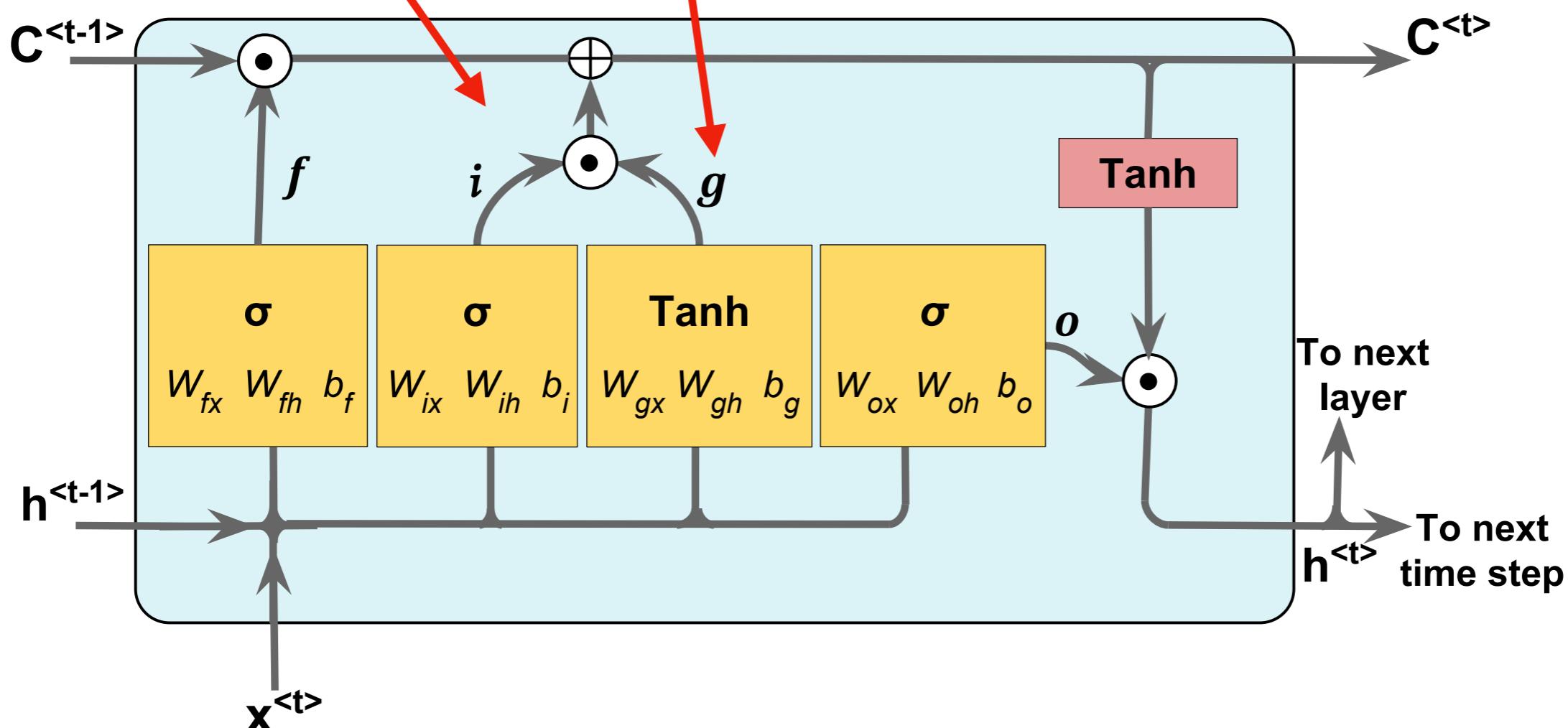


Long-short term memory (LSTM)

"Input Gate": $i_t = \sigma(\mathbf{W}_{ix}\mathbf{x}^{(t)} + \mathbf{W}_{ih}\mathbf{h}^{(t-1)} + \mathbf{b}_i)$

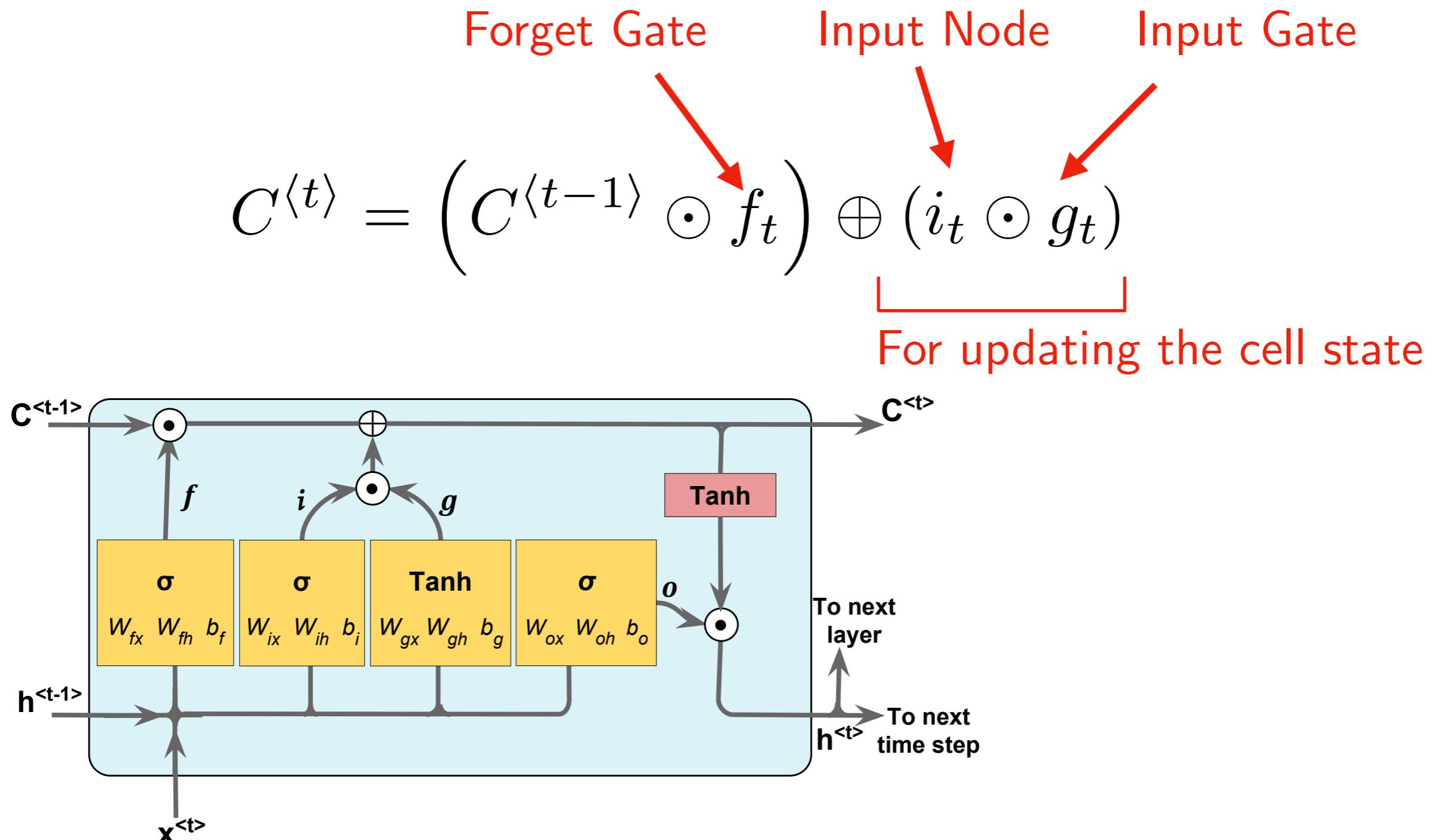
"Input Node":

$\mathbf{g}_t = \tanh(\mathbf{W}_{gx}\mathbf{x}^{(t)} + \mathbf{W}_{gh}\mathbf{h}^{(t-1)} + \mathbf{b}_g)$



Long-short term memory (LSTM)

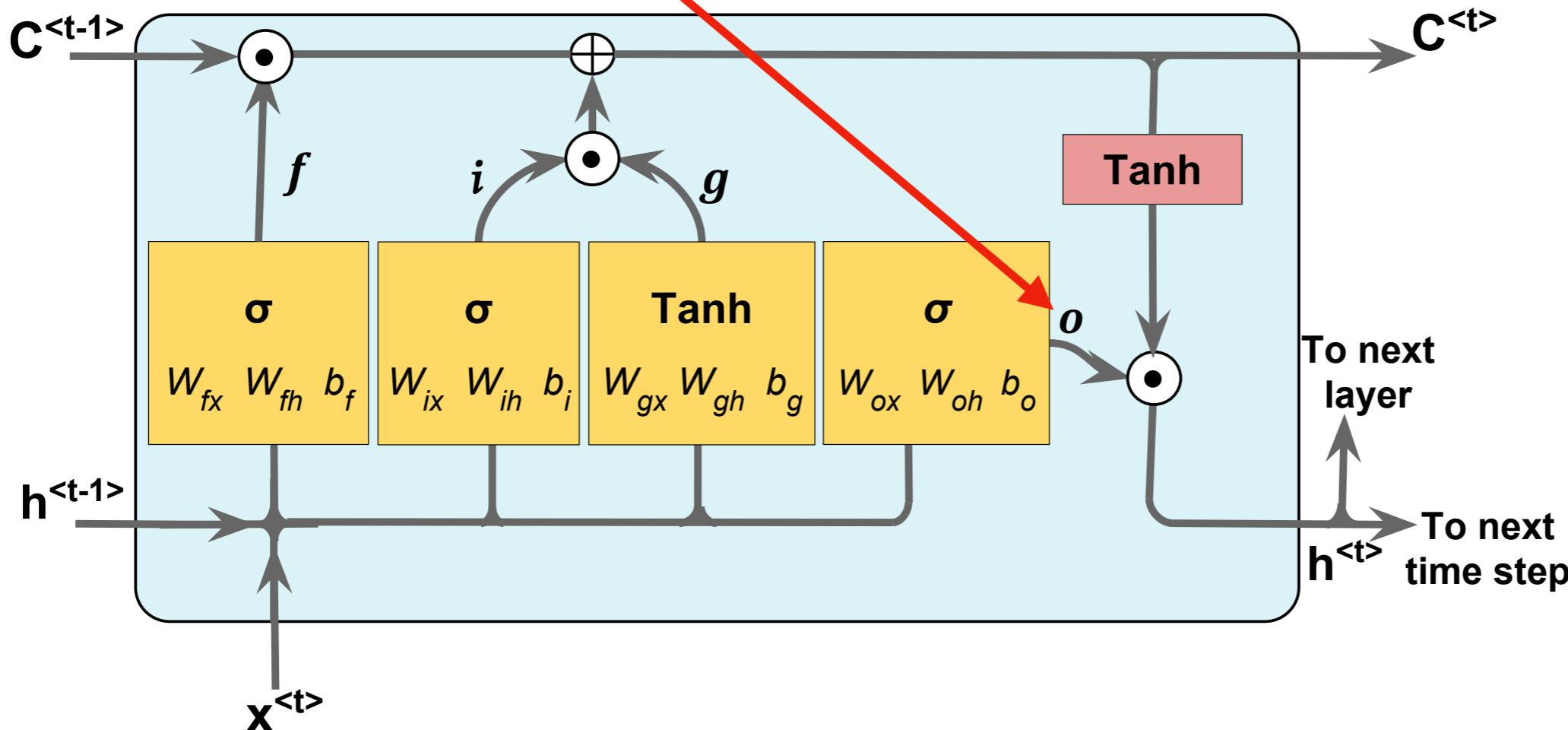
Brief summary of the gates so far ...



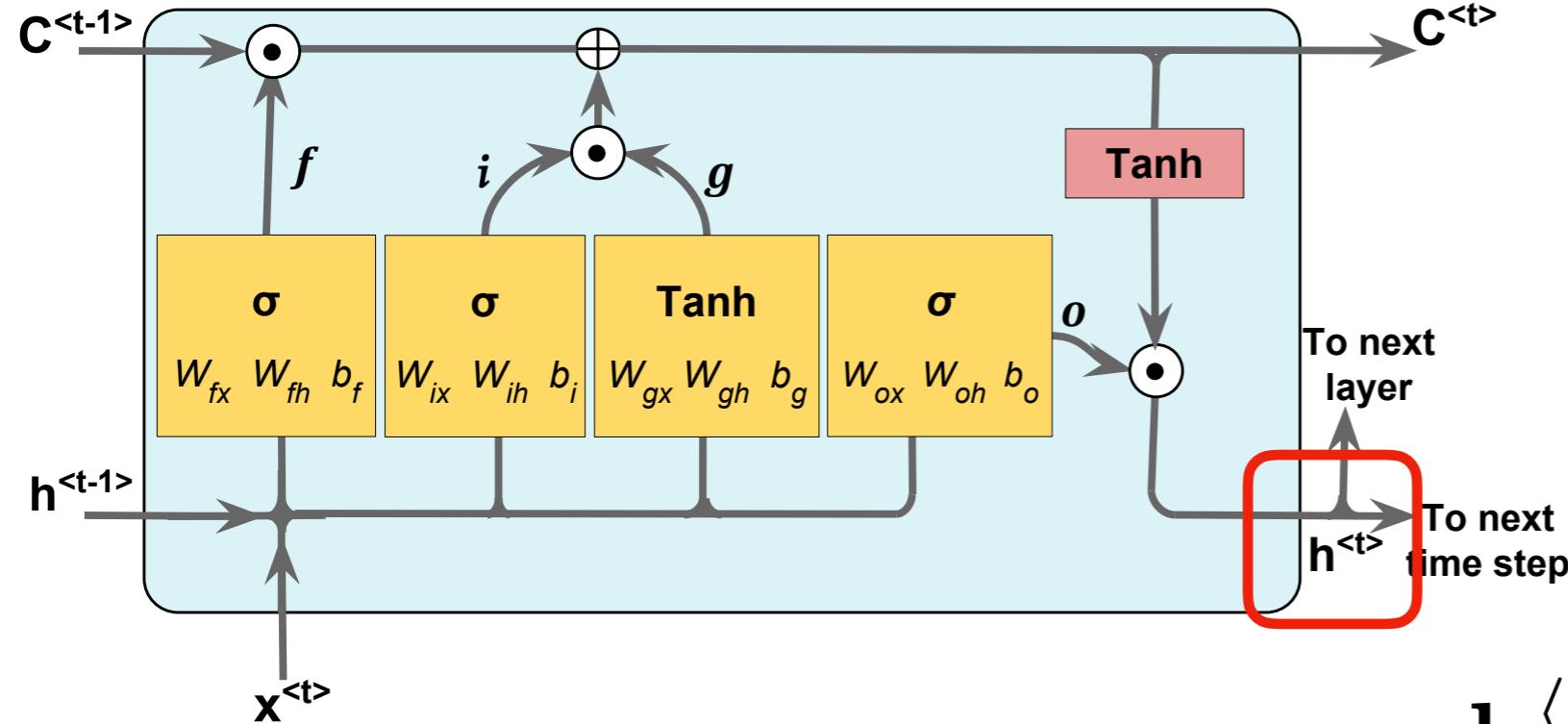
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Output gate for updating the values of hidden units:

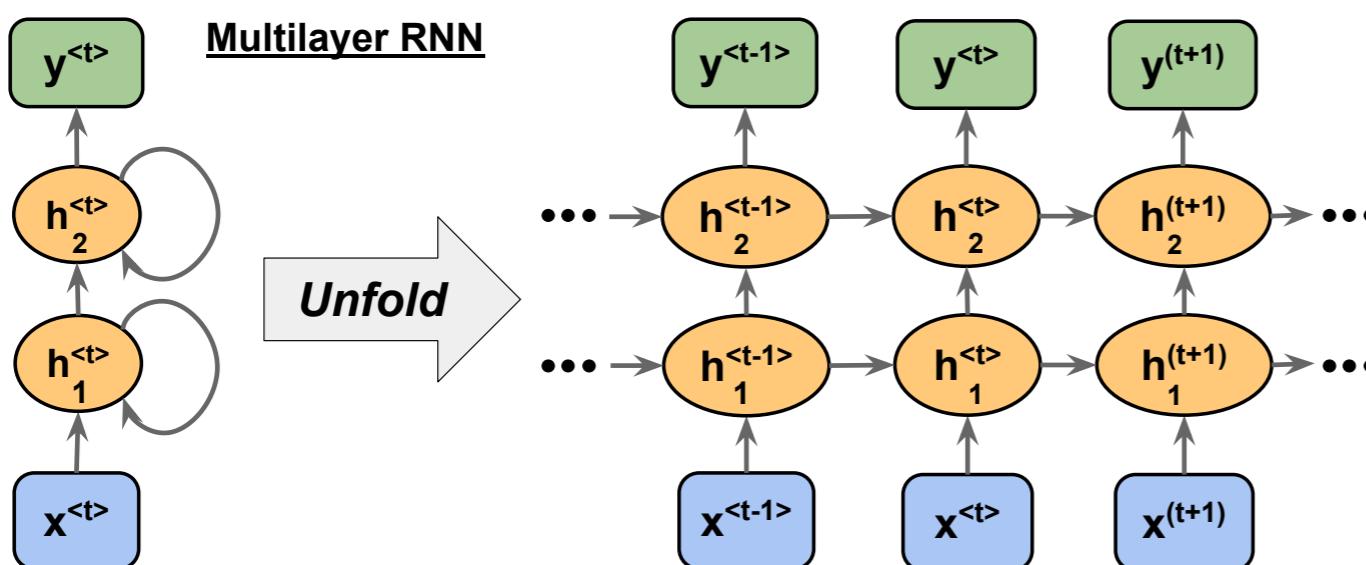
$$\mathbf{o}_t = \sigma \left(\mathbf{W}_{ox} \mathbf{x}^{(t)} + \mathbf{W}_{oh} \mathbf{h}^{(t-1)} + \mathbf{b}_o \right)$$



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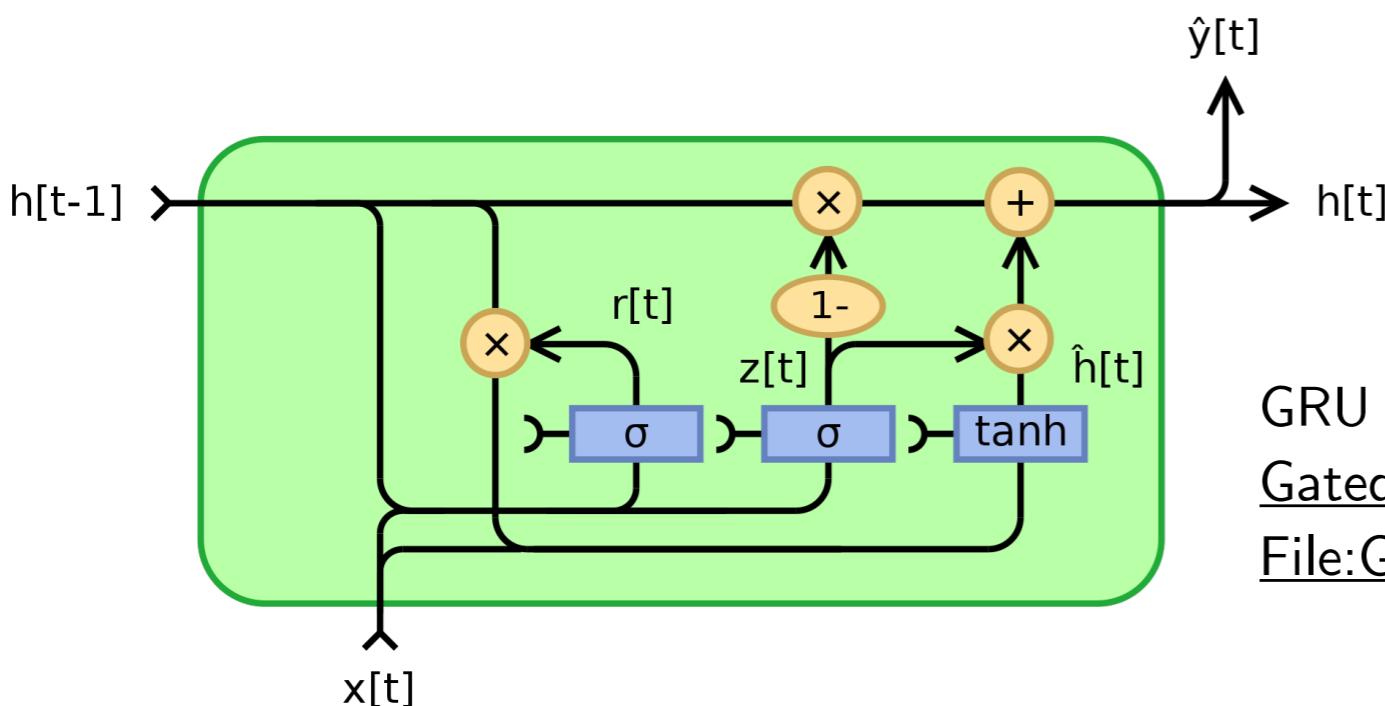


$$h^{(t)} = o_t \odot \tanh(C^{(t)})$$



Long-short term memory (LSTM)

- Still popular and widely used today
- A recent, related approach is the Gated Recurrent Unit (GRU)
Cho, Kyunghyun, Bart Van Merriënboer, Caglar Gulcehre, Dzmitry Bahdanau, Fethi Bougares, Holger Schwenk, and Yoshua Bengio. "[Learning phrase representations using RNN encoder-decoder for statistical machine translation.](#)" *arXiv preprint arXiv:1406.1078* (2014).
- Nice article exploring LSTMs and comparing them to GRUs
Jozefowicz, Rafal, Wojciech Zaremba, and Ilya Sutskever.
["An empirical exploration of recurrent network architectures."](#) In *International Conference on Machine Learning*, pp. 2342-2350. 2015.



GRU image source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gated_recurrent_unit#/media/File:Gated_Recurrent_Unit,_base_type.svg

RNNs with LSTMs in PyTorch

Conceptually simple, the (very) hard part is the data processing pipeline

```
...
    self.rnn = torch.nn.LSTMCell(input_size, hidden_size)
...

def forward(self, x):
    embedded = self.embedding(text)
    h = self.initial_hidden_state()
    for input in x:
        h = self.rnn(input, h)
```

```
...
    self.rnn = torch.nn.LSTM(input_size, hidden_size)
...

def forward(self, x):
    h_0 = self.initial_hidden_state()
    output, h = self.rnn(x, h_0)
```

These two are equivalent, but the bottom one is substantially faster

Different Types of Sequence Modeling Tasks

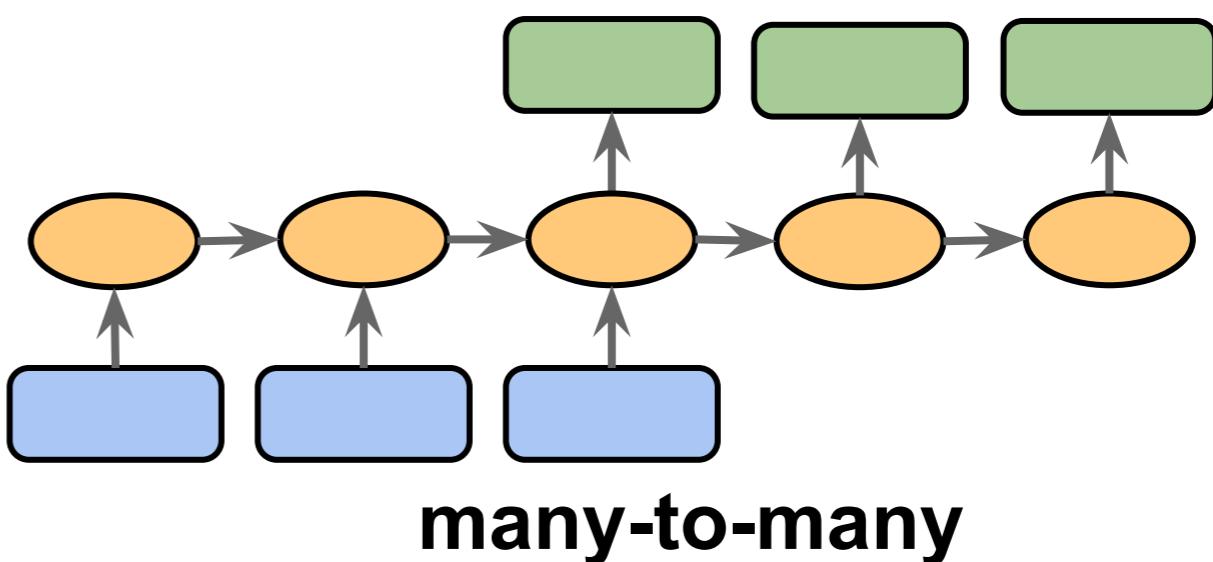
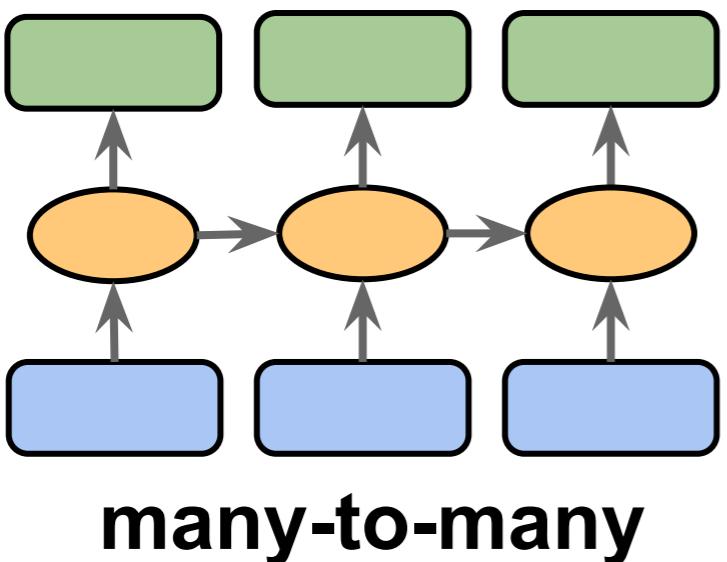
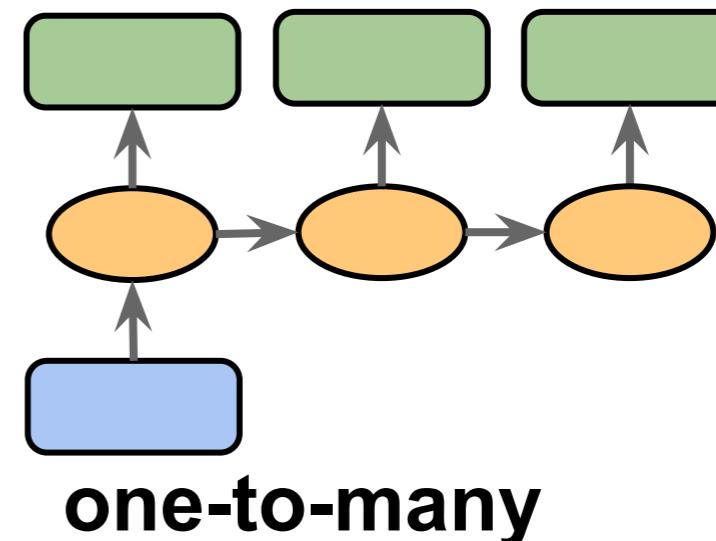
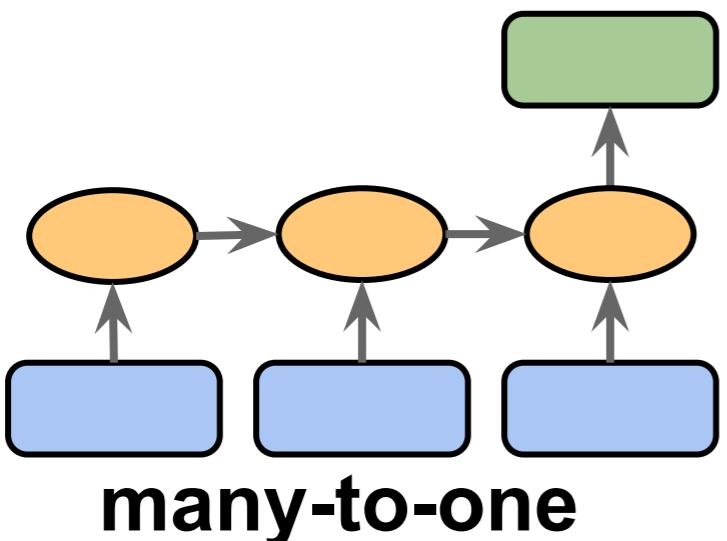
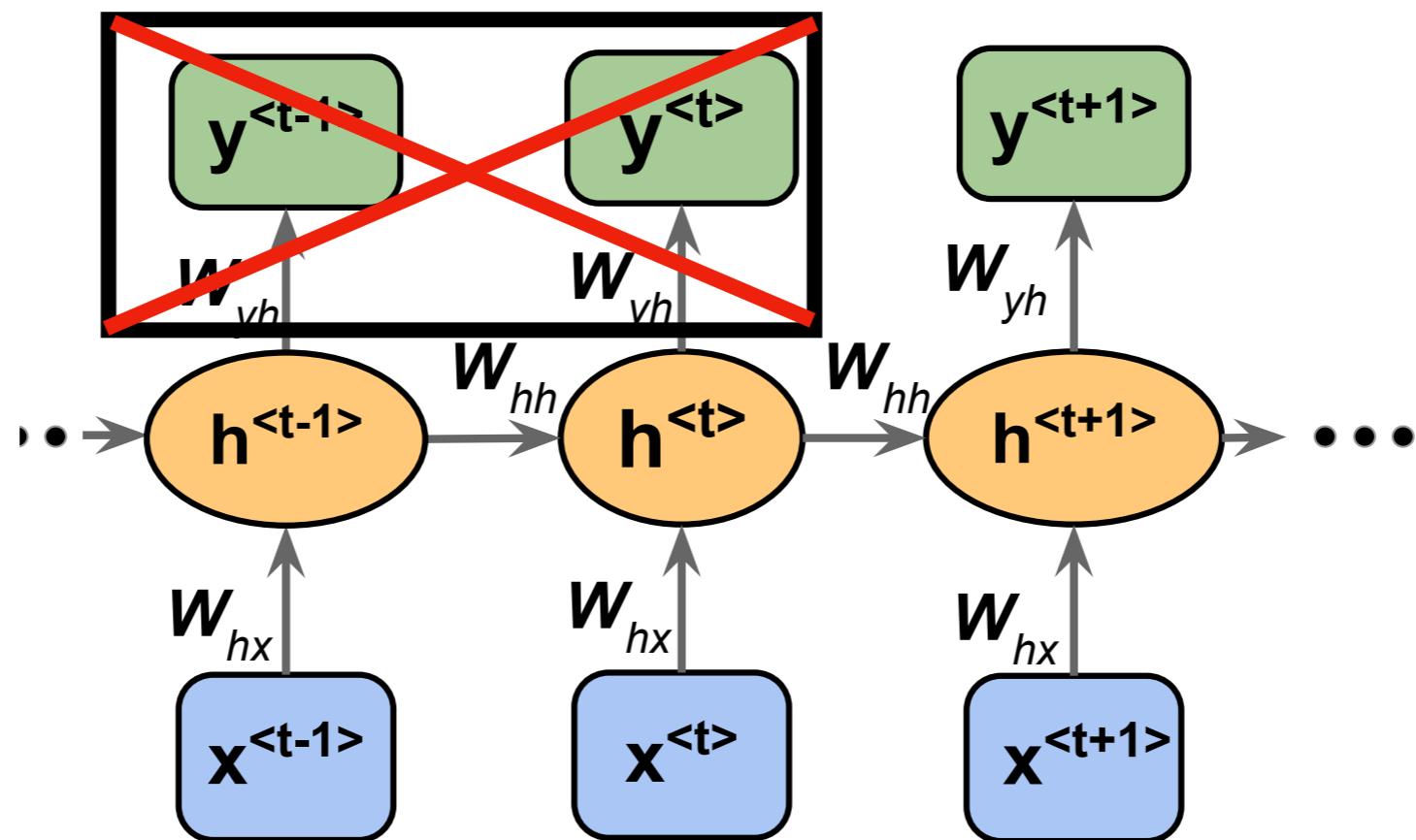


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Many-to-One



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Many-to-One ("Word"-RNN)

1 - Simple Sentiment Analysis (Simple RNN)

<https://github.com/bentrevett/pytorch-sentiment-analysis/blob/master/1%20-%20Simple%20Sentiment%20Analysis.ipynb>

2 - Updated Sentiment Analysis (LSTM)

<https://github.com/bentrevett/pytorch-sentiment-analysis/blob/master/2%20-%20Upgraded%20Sentiment%20Analysis.ipynb>

Optional:

Using TorchText with Your Own Datasets

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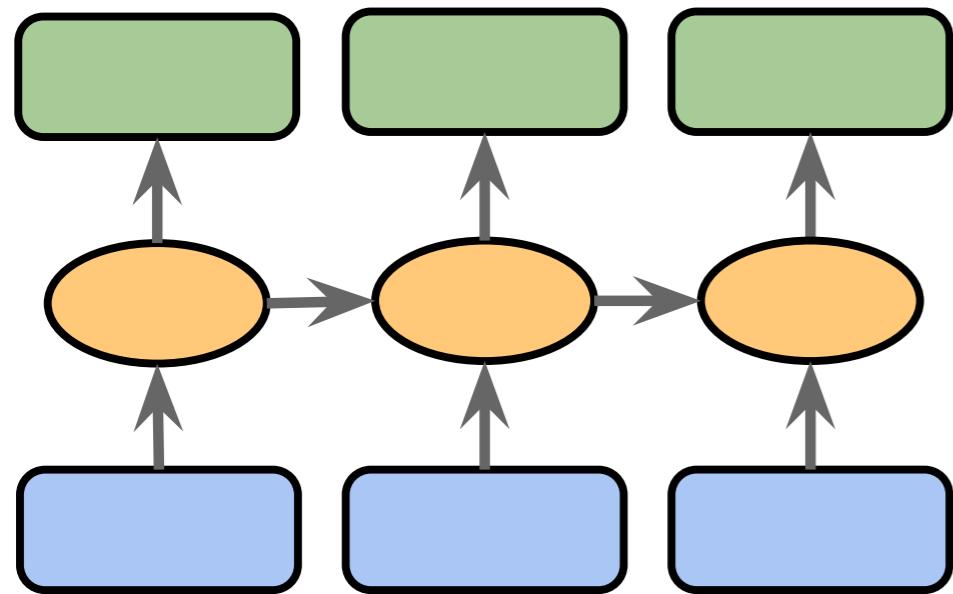
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Many-to-One ("Character"-RNN)

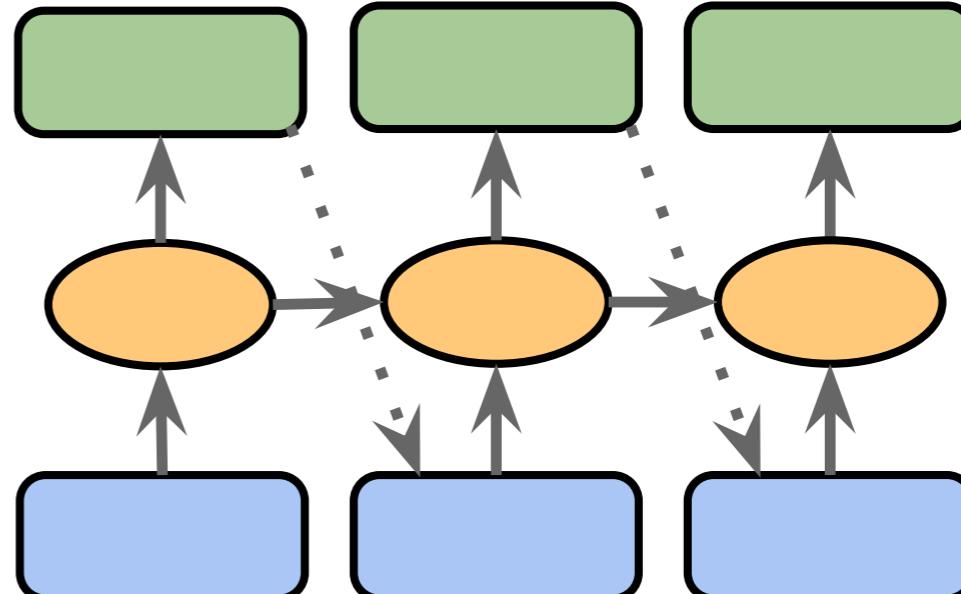
Classifying Names with a Character-level RNN

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many-to-many

"training"



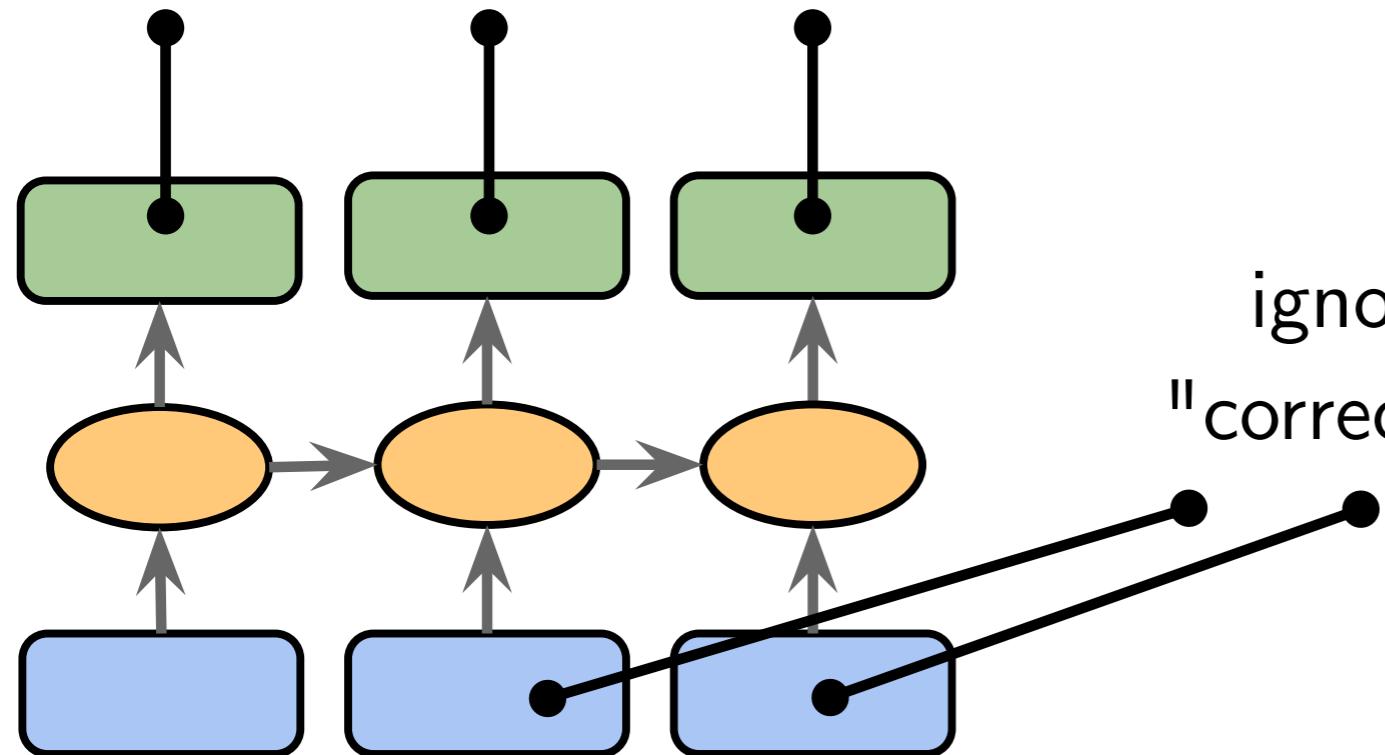
~~**many-to-many**~~
"one"

"generating new text"

Generating Names with a Character-level RNN

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At each time step
Softmax output (probability)
for each possible "next letter"



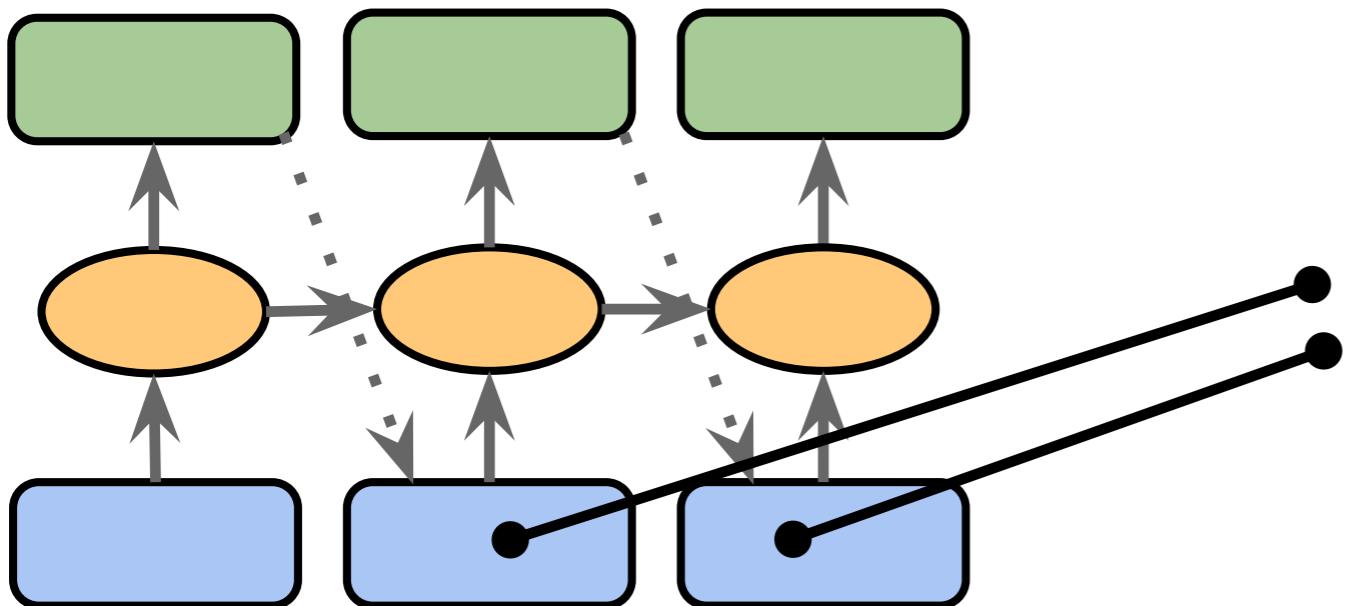
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"training"

For next each input,
ignore the prediction but use the
"correct" next letter from the dataset

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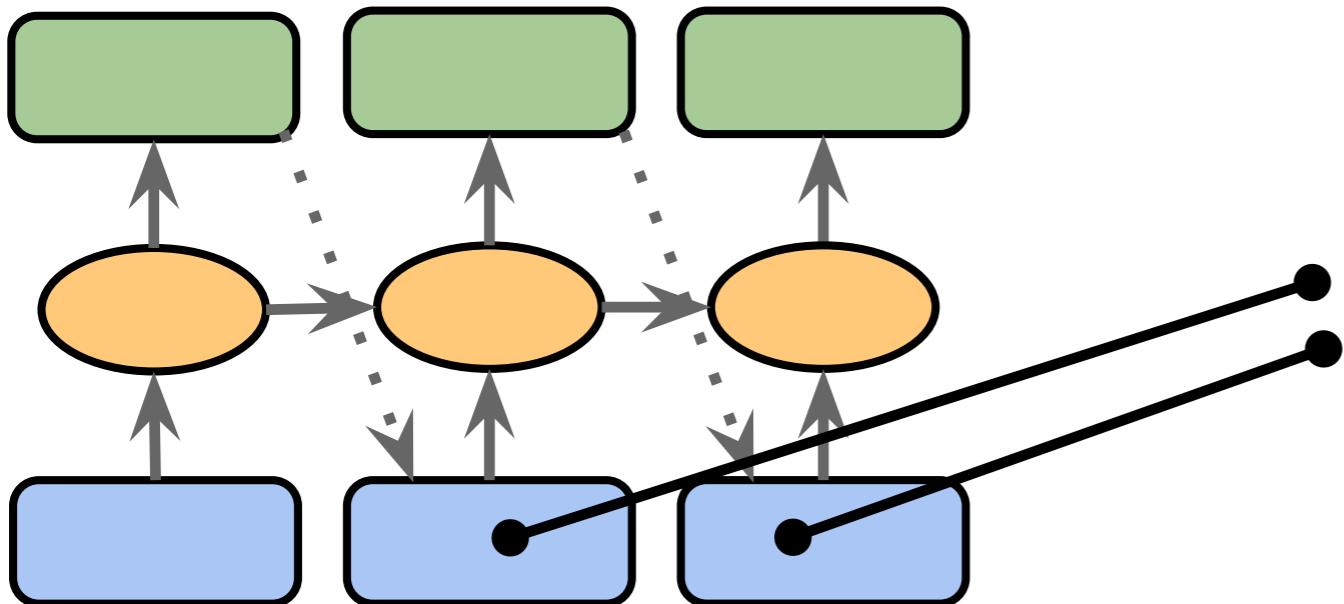
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Note that this approach works with both Word- and Character-RNNs

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Additional Tutorials:

<https://github.com/bentrevett/pytorch-seq2seq>

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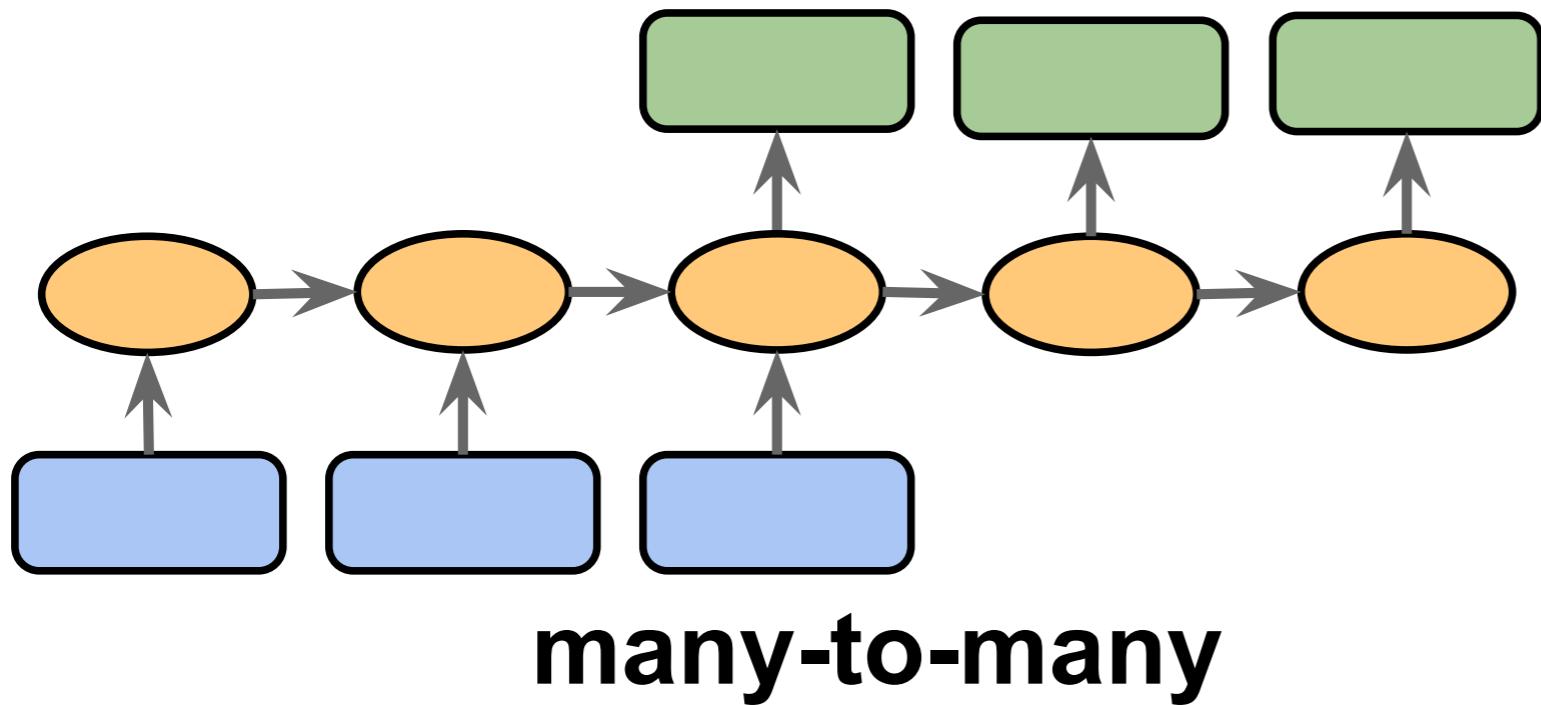
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Translation with a Sequence to Sequence Network and Attention
(English to French)

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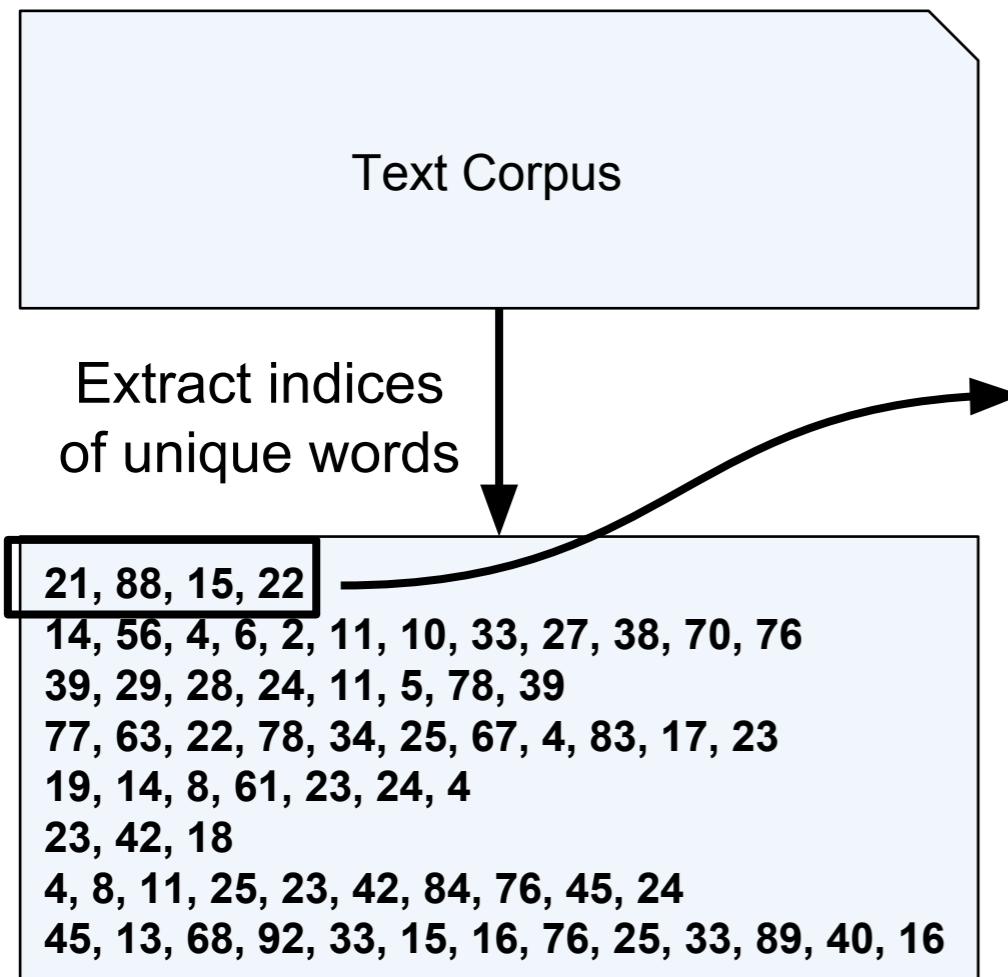
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Data Processing for a Word RNN (e.g., for sentiment classification)

Data Processing for Word-RNNs

Step 1): Create one-hot encoded matrix



One-hot encoded matrix

0	0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0
...
0	...	0	0	0	...	1	0	0	0	0
0	...	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	1
0	...	0	1	0	...	0	0	0	0	0
0	...	0	0	0	...	0	1	0	0	0

all-zero row vectors due to padding

pos. 21

pos. 88

pos. 15

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Each sentence becomes a matrix, where each row is a one-hot encoded vector

Data Processing for Word-RNNs

Step 2): Multiply with embedding matrix

A trainable matrix of type real

One-hot encoded matrix

0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0	0
...
0	...	0	0	...	1	0	...	0	0	0
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vector

$r_{1,1}$	$r_{1,2}$	$r_{1,3}$	$r_{1,4}$	$r_{1,5}$	$r_{1,6}$
$r_{2,1}$	$r_{2,2}$	$r_{2,3}$	$r_{2,4}$	$r_{2,5}$	$r_{2,6}$
$r_{3,1}$	$r_{3,2}$	$r_{3,3}$	$r_{3,4}$	$r_{3,5}$	$r_{3,6}$
$r_{4,1}$	$r_{4,2}$	$r_{4,3}$	$r_{4,4}$	$r_{4,5}$	$r_{4,6}$
$r_{5,1}$	$r_{5,2}$	$r_{5,3}$	$r_{5,4}$	$r_{5,5}$	$r_{5,6}$
$r_{6,1}$	$r_{6,2}$	$r_{6,3}$	$r_{6,4}$	$r_{6,5}$	$r_{6,6}$
$r_{7,1}$	$r_{7,2}$	$r_{7,3}$	$r_{7,4}$	$r_{7,5}$	$r_{7,6}$

Number
of unique
words
(or n_{words})

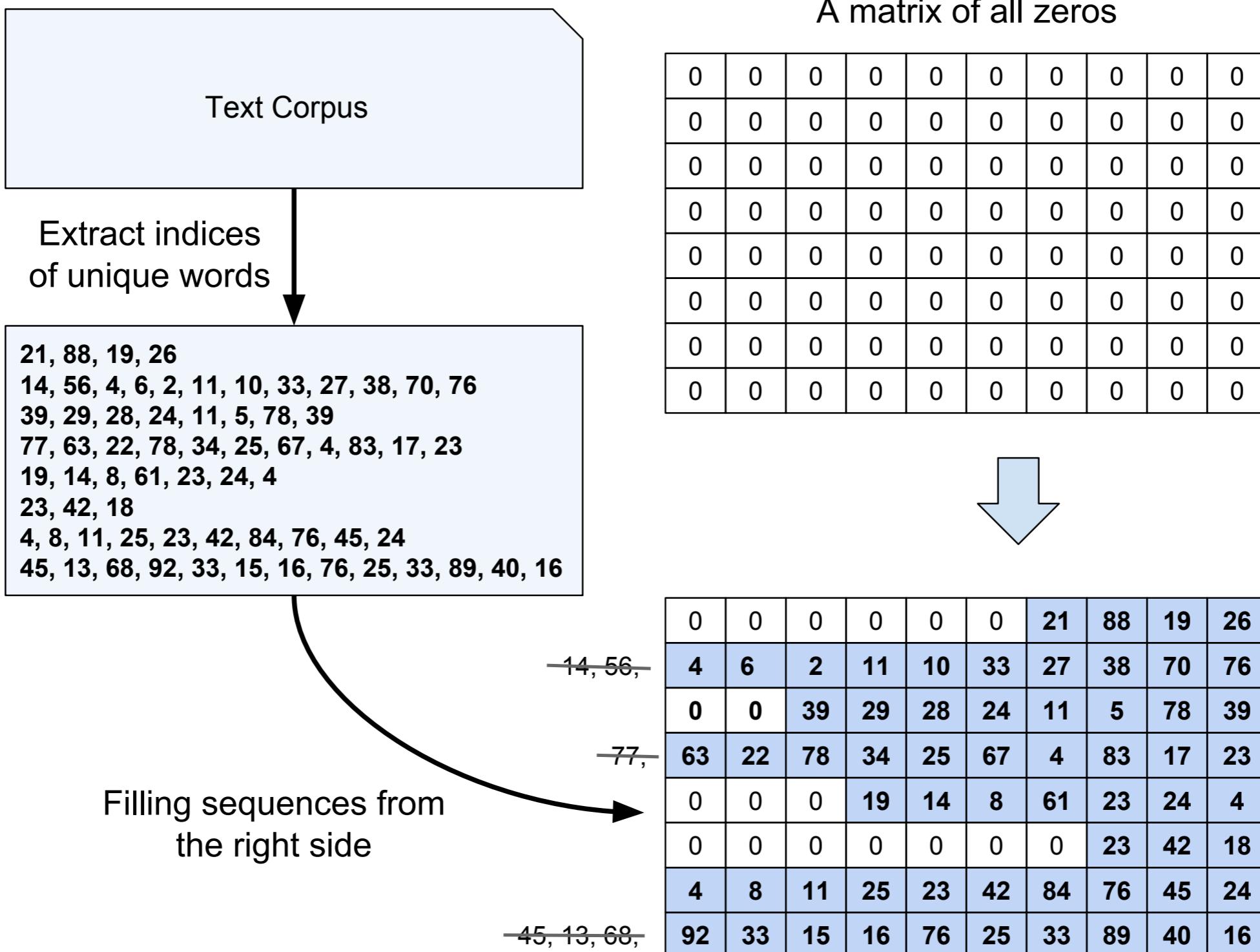
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Number of features
(or *embedding size*)

Output is a
matrix $\in \mathbb{R}^{\text{num_words} \times \text{vocab_size}}$

The "huge" matrix multiplication is very inefficient, so we replace it with an embedding "look-up"

Step 1: Read Sentences into a Word Matrix



Step 2: "Look up" row that correspond to word index

Vocabulary
indices

1
2
3
4
5
6
7

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$n-2$
$n-1$
n

A trainable matrix of type real

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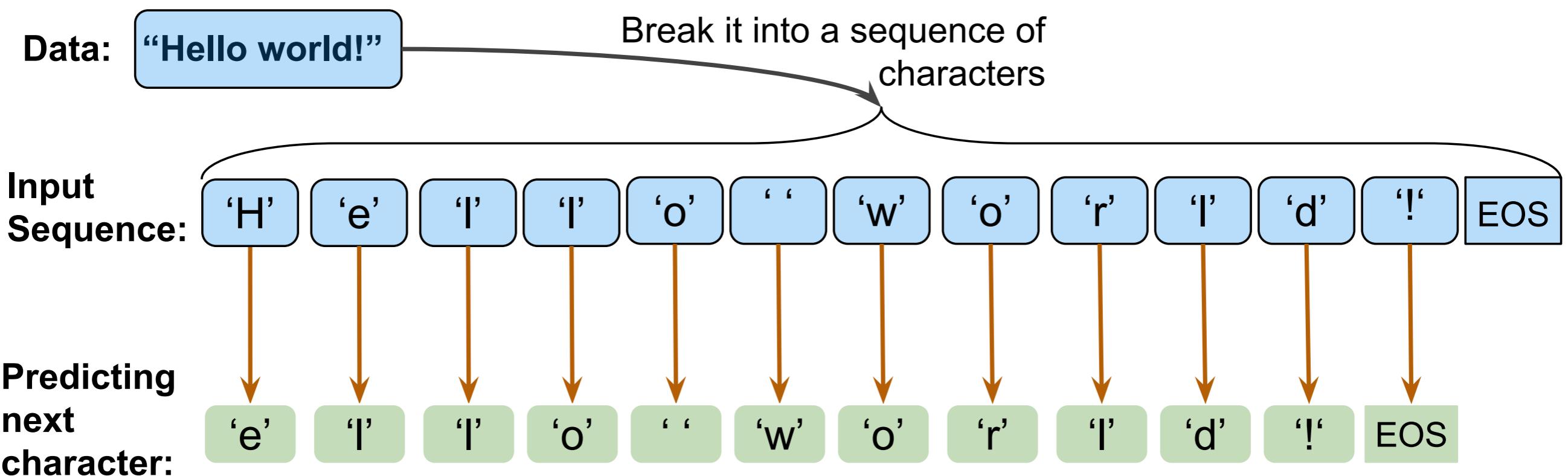
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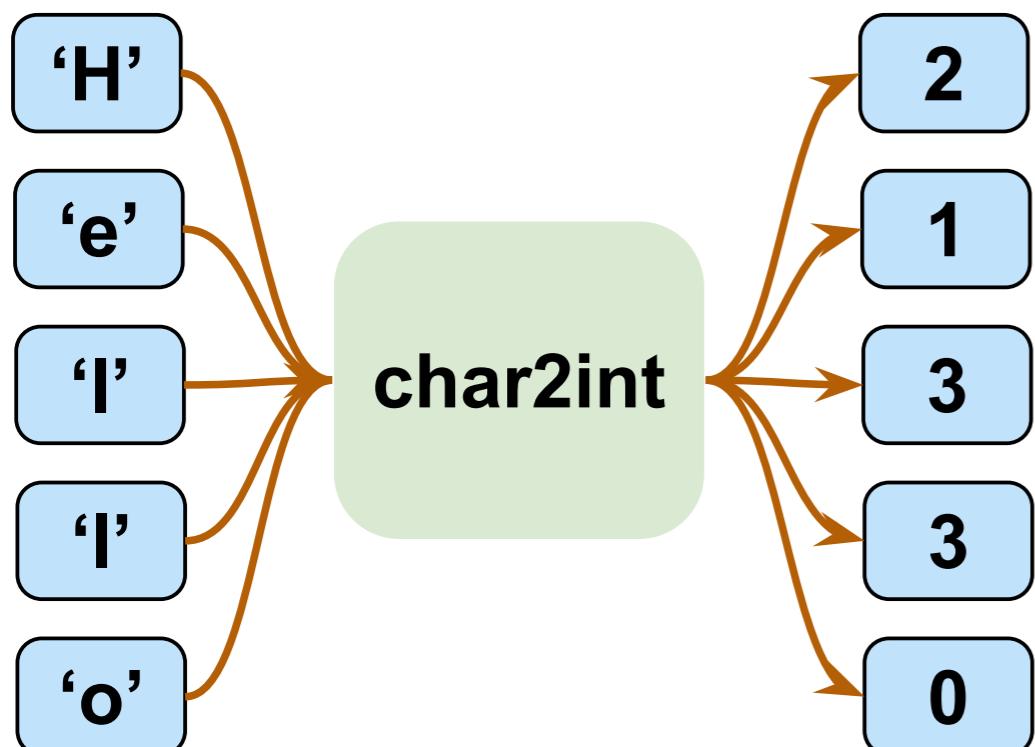
Data Processing for a Character RNN (e.g., for text generation)

Step 1: Break up text into characters

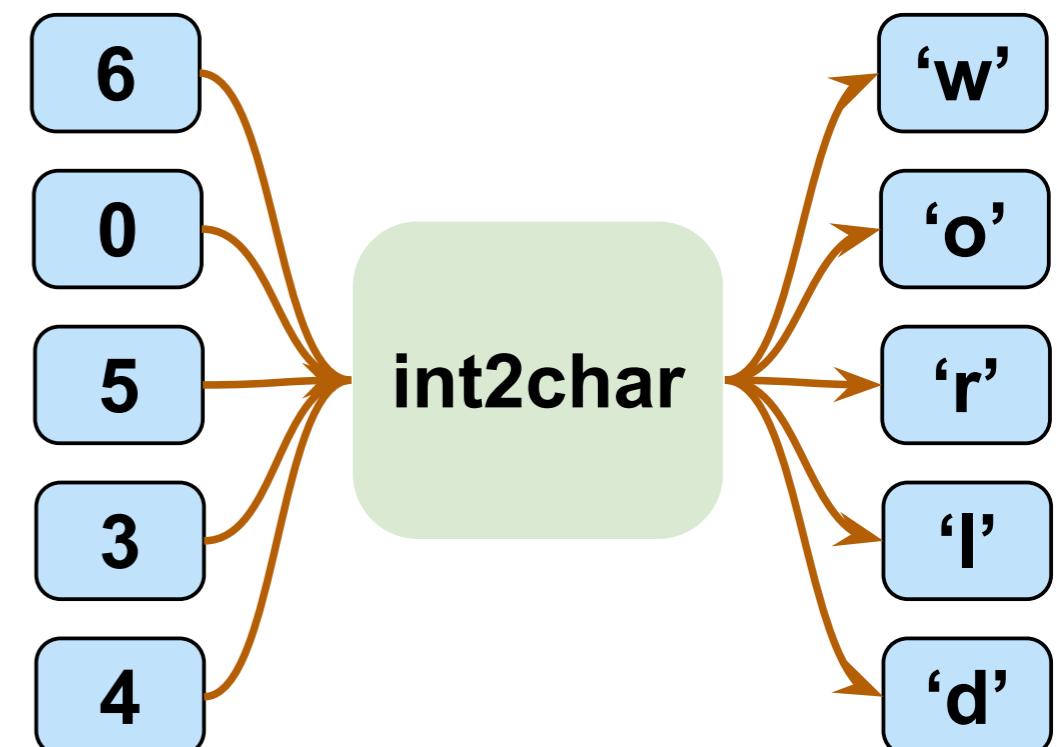


Step 2: Define Mapping Dictionaries

Mapping characters to integers

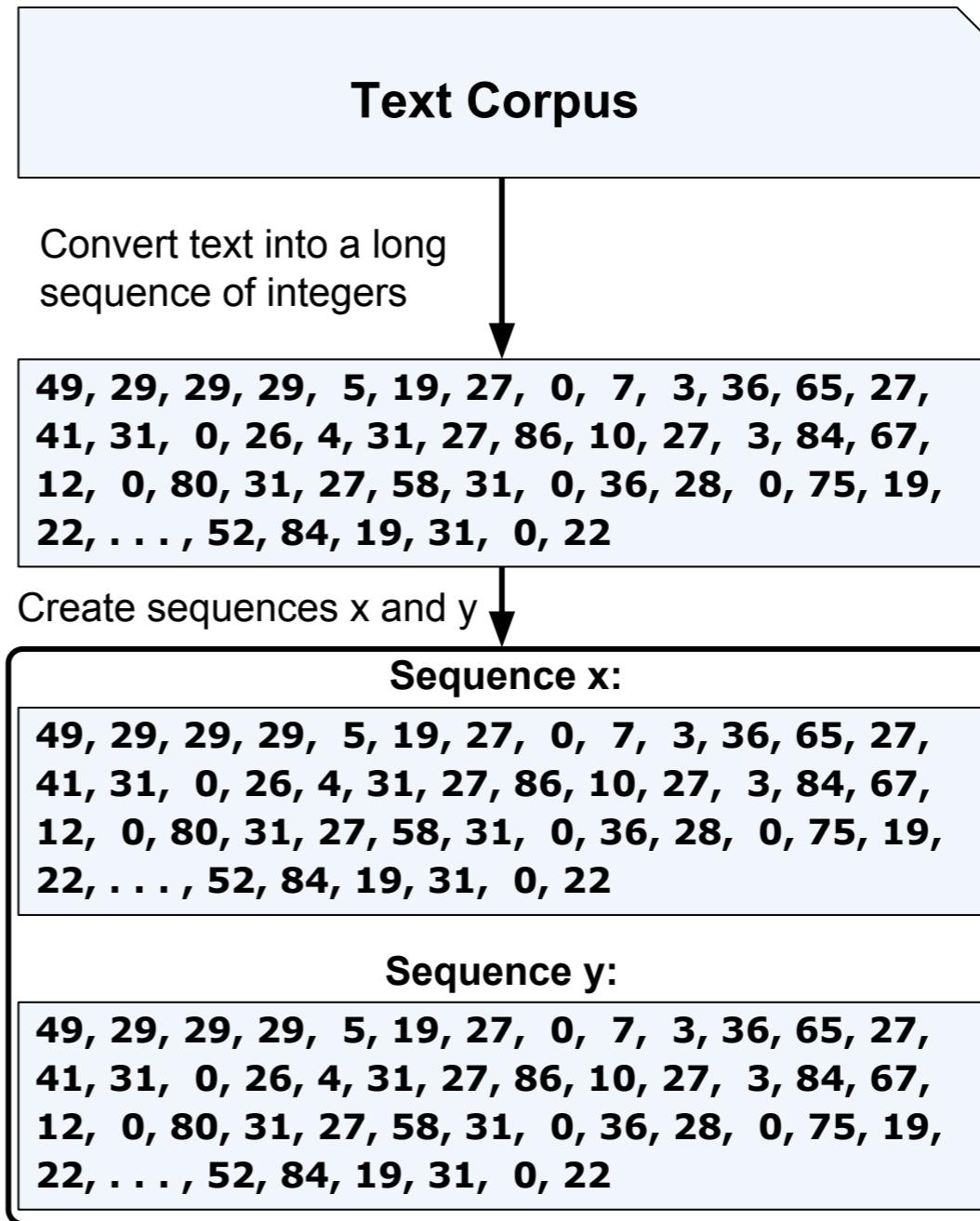


Mapping integers to characters



Step 3: Define Inputs and Outputs

Outputs are the characters shifted by 1 position as we want to predict the next character



More details for how this is specifically implemented in PyTorch are shown in the excellent Jupyter Notebooks I linked in the earlier slides