Recurrent neural networks

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Recurrent neural networks (RNN)

- A network that
 - applies same
 computation multiple
 times
 - keeps some state around



Formal definition

- Basic recurrent unit
 - $\mathbf{h}_t = f_{\mathbf{h}}(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{h}_{t-1}, \theta_{\mathbf{h}})$
- Initial state \mathbf{h}_0
 - Learned
 - Zero



Elman networks

 Recurrent connection within layer



Jordan networks

 Recurrent connection from output to input



General RNNs

- Feed forward network
 - With feedback connections



Example: Language understanding

- Reading comprehension
 - Sequence in
 - Vector out



Example: Language generation

- Generate a sentence
 - Vector in
 - Sequence out



Example: Translation

- Translate sentence from one language to another
 - Sequence in
 - Sequence out





The many RNNs



