Elman's Recurrent Neural Networks

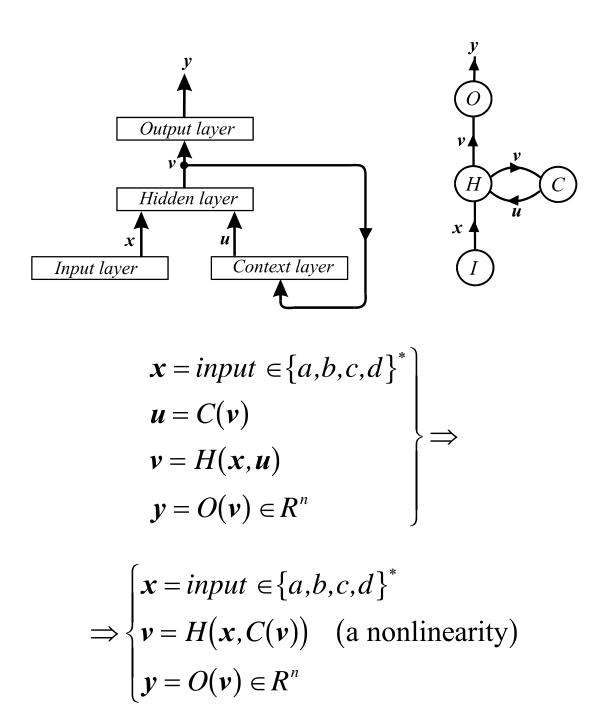
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Architecture of Elman's recurrent neural network



An iterative solution of

$$x = input \in \{a, b, c, d\}^*$$

$$u = C(v)$$

$$v = H(x, u)$$

$$y = O(v) \in R^n$$

specifies activities of neurons recurrently as follows

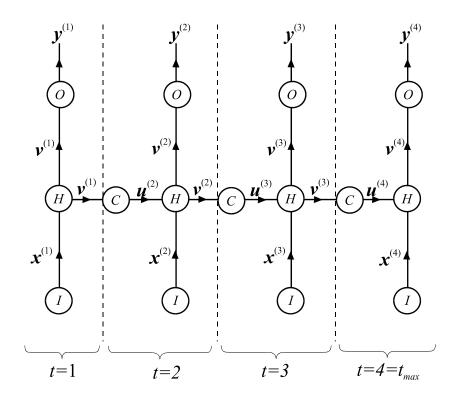
Tollows
$$\mathbf{x}^{(t)} = \text{input}$$

$$\mathbf{u}^{(t)} = \begin{cases} 0 & (\text{for } t = 1) \\ C(\mathbf{v}^{(t-1)}) & (\text{for } t \ge 2) \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbf{v}^{(t)} = H(\mathbf{x}^{(t)}, \mathbf{u}^{(t)})$$

$$\mathbf{y}^{(t)} = O(\mathbf{v}^{(t)})$$
for $t = 1, 2, ..., t_{max}$

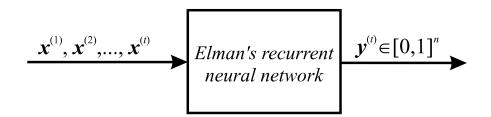
Unfolded recurrent neural network



Unfolded Elman's recurrent neural network may be considered as a parametric mapping that maps a sequence of input vectors onto an output vector

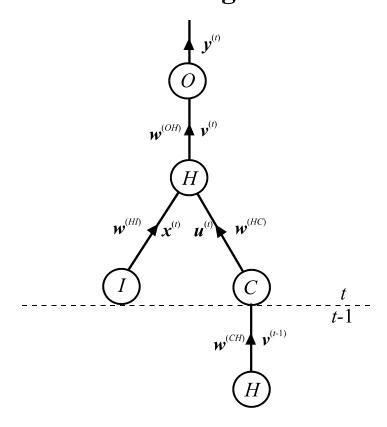
$$y^{(t)} = G(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, ..., x^{(t)}; w, \vartheta)$$

for $t=1, 2, ..., t_{\text{max}}$.



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Activities of single neurons



$$x_i^{(t)} = \text{input}$$

$$u_i^{(t)} = \begin{cases} 0 & (t = 1) \\ t \left(\vartheta_i^{(C)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_H} w_{ij}^{(CH)} v_j^{(t-1)} \right) & (t \ge 2) \end{cases}$$

$$v_i^{(t)} = t \left(\vartheta_i^{(H)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_I} w_{ij}^{(HI)} x_j^{(t)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_C} w_{ij}^{(HC)} u_j^{(t)} \right)$$

$$y_i^{(t)} = t \left(\vartheta_i^{(O)} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_H} w_{ij}^{(OH)} v_j^{(t)} \right)$$

Adaptation (learning) of the recurrent neural network

$$A_{train} = \left\{ \left(\boldsymbol{x}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{x}^{(t_{max})} \right) \middle/ \left(\boldsymbol{y}_{req}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{y}_{req}^{(2)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{y}_{req}^{(t_{max})} \right) \right\}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \omega_t (\mathbf{y}^{(t)} - \mathbf{y}_{req}^{(t)})^2$$

An adaptation is equivalent to a minimization of the objective function E with respect to weight and threshold coefficients

$$(w_{opt}, \vartheta_{opt}) = \arg\min_{(w,\vartheta)} E(w,\vartheta)$$

This optimization problem is most frequently solved by the so-called **steepest descent** gradient method of

$$w_{k+1} = w_k - \lambda \operatorname{grad} E(w_k)$$

where $\lambda > 0$.

How to calculate partial derivatives of the objective function with respect to threshold and weight coefficients?

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}}\right) = t'(\xi_{i}) \left(g_{i} + \sum_{k} \frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{k}} w_{ki}\right)$$

$$t'(\xi_{i}) = t(\xi_{i}) \left[1 - t(\xi_{i})\right]$$

$$g_{i} = \begin{cases} x_{i} - x_{i,req} & (i \in O) \\ 0 & (i \notin O) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ii}} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}} x_{j}$$

These general formulae (they form a background of the so-called **back-propagation approach**) are immediately applicable to unfolded recurrent neural networks for calculation of partial derivatives of the objective function E.

Partial derivatives with respect to threshold coefficients

(1) Initialization, $t=t_{\text{max}}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = y_{i}^{(t_{max})} \left(1 - y_{i}^{(t_{max})}\right) \omega_{t_{max}} \left(y_{i}^{(t_{max})} - y_{i,req}^{(t_{max})}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = v_{i}^{(t_{max})} \left(1 - v_{i}^{(t_{max})}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{O}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} w_{ji}^{(OH)}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(C)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = u_{i}^{(t_{max})} \left(1 - u_{i}^{(t_{max})}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{H}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{j}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} w_{ji}^{(HC)}$$

(2) Iteration, $1 \le t < t_{\text{max}}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t)} = y_{i}^{(t)} \left(1 - y_{i}^{(t)}\right) \omega_{t} \left(y_{i}^{(t)} - y_{i,req}^{(t)}\right)$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t)} = v_{i}^{(t)} \left(1 - v_{i}^{(t)}\right) \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^{N_{O}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{j}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t)} & w_{ji}^{(OH)} + \\ \sum_{j=1}^{N_{C}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{l}^{(C)}}\right)^{(t+1)} & w_{ji}^{(CH)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(C)}}\right)^{(t)} = u_{i}^{(t)} \left(1 - u_{i}^{(t)}\right) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{H}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t)} w_{li}^{(HC)}$$

Partial derivatives with respect to weight coefficients

(1) Initialization, $t=t_{\text{max}}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(OH)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} v_{j}^{(t_{max})}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HC)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} u_{j}^{(t_{max})}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HI)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}}\right)^{(t_{max})} x_{j}^{(t_{max})}$$

(2) Iteration, $1 \le t < t_{\text{max}}$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(OH)}}\right)^{(t)} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}}\right)^{(t)} v_{j}^{(t)}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(CH)}}\right)^{(t)} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(C)}}\right)^{(t)} v_j^{(t-1)}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HC)}}\right)^{(t)} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(H)}}\right)^{(t)} u_j^{(t)}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HI)}}\right)^{(t)} = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(H)}}\right)^{(t)} x_j^{(t)}$$

Total partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(O)}} \right)^{(t)}, \quad \frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(H)}} \right)^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(C)}} = \sum_{t=2}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_{i}^{(C)}} \right)^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(OH)}} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(OH)}} \right)^{(t)} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(O)}} \right)^{(t)} v_j^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HC)}} = \sum_{t=2}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HC)}} \right)^{(t)} = \sum_{t=2}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(H)}} \right)^{(t)} u_j^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(CH)}} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}-1} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(CH)}} \right)^{(t)} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}-1} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(C)}} \right)^{(t+1)} v_j^{(t)}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HI)}} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(HI)}} \right)^{(t)} = \sum_{t=1}^{t_{max}} \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial \vartheta_i^{(HI)}} \right)^{(t)} x_j^{(t)}$$