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Simple Recurrent Neural Network (RNN):

An Example of Price Forecasting

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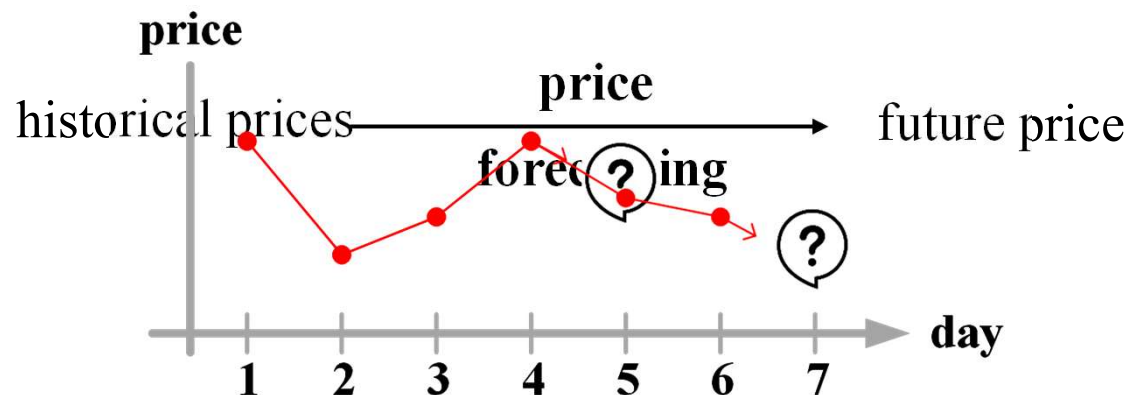
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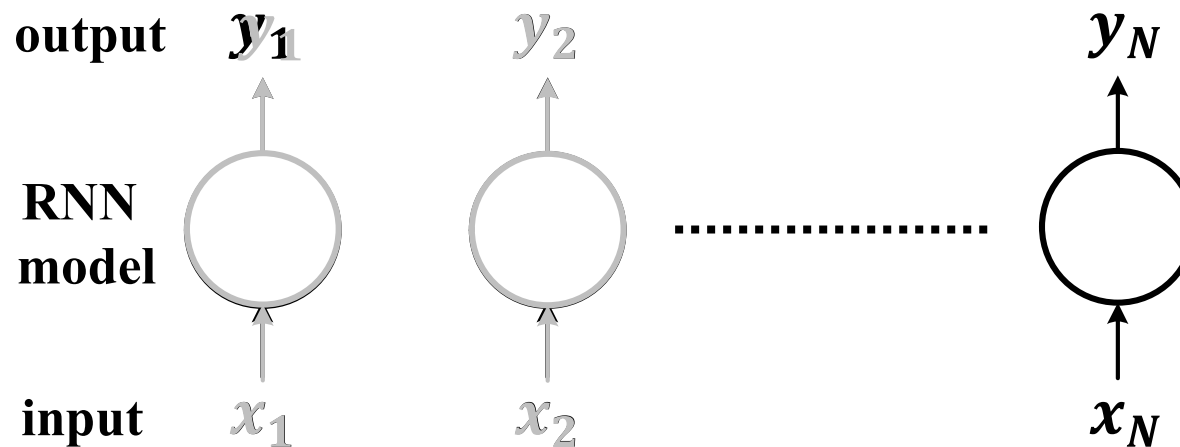
Introduction

- About RNN
 - The RNN is a model for dealing with sequential data, $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N$, consisting of N items.
 - The length of the sequence (N) changes over time.
 - The data items are mutually dependent.



Introduction

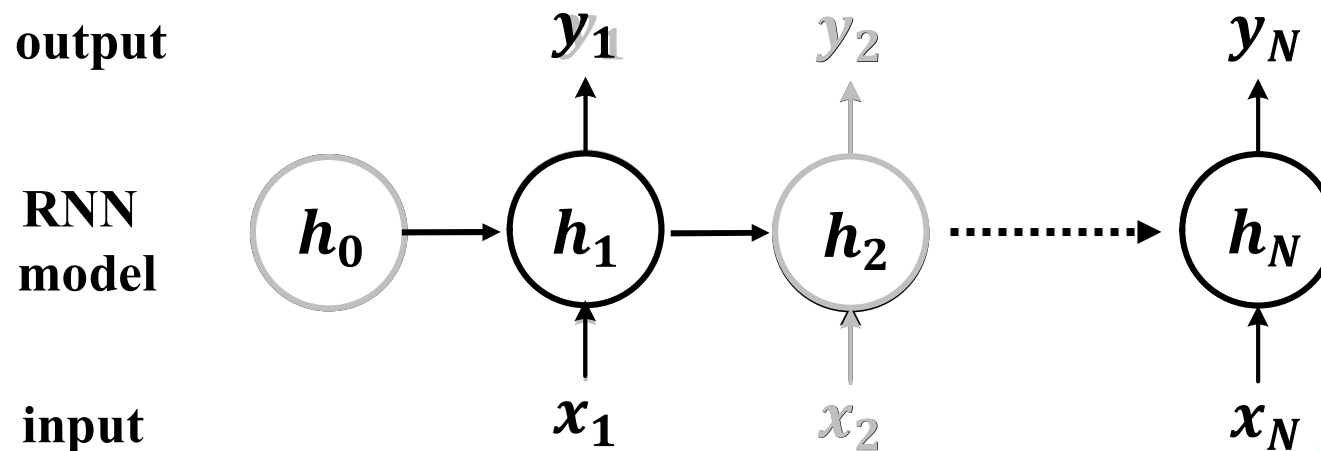
- Model Concept
 - **recurrence**: repeatedly performs the same task for every data item in a sequence.
 - ⇒ allow the input to be the various-length sequence.



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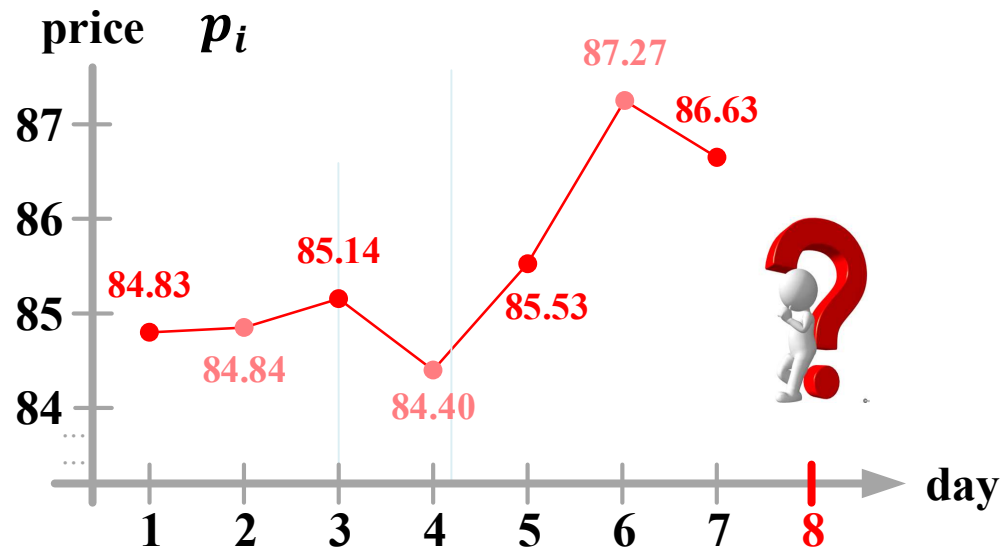
- Model Concept
 - **state (h)**: memorize the passed information.

⇒ model the dependency among data items



Introduction

- Price Forecasting
 - **input**: a sequence of the past prices



- **output**: the next price in the sequence

Introduction

- Price Forecasting
 - normalize the raw prices p_i to the values q_i

$$q_i = (p_i - \underbrace{\mu}_{\text{mean}}) / \underbrace{\sigma}_{\text{standard deviation}}$$

raw
 p_i

84.83	84.84	85.14	85.40	85.53	87.27	86.63
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$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= 85.52 \\ \sigma &= 0.97\end{aligned}$$

$$\Downarrow \quad q_i = (p_i - 85.52) / 0.97$$

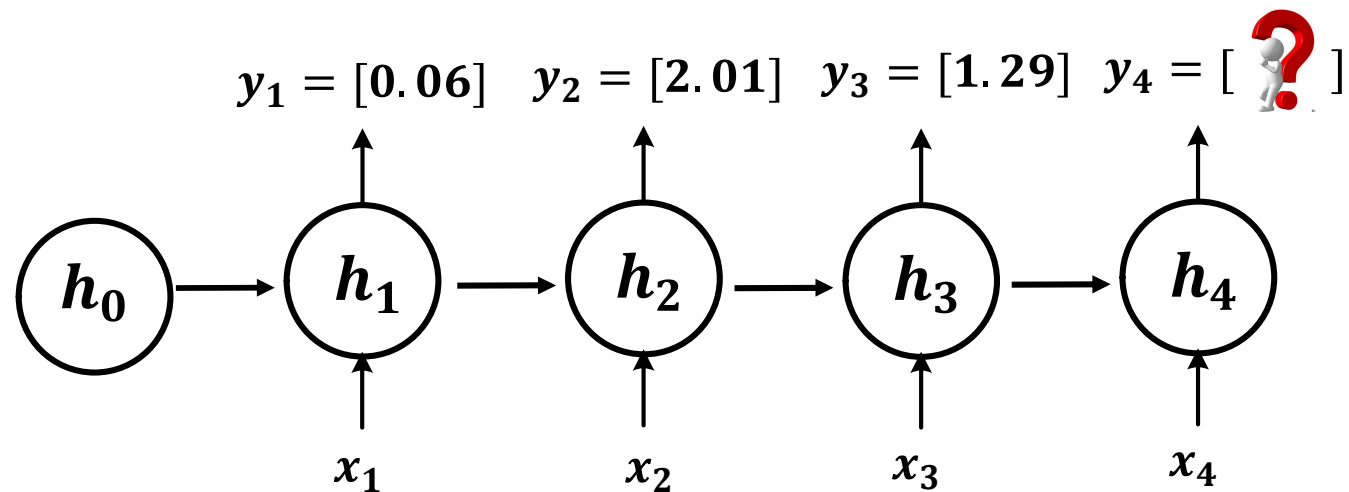
normalized
 q_i

-0.72	-0.71	-0.37	-1.2	0.06	2.01	1.29
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Introduction

- Price Forecasting
 - take four values for predicting the next one

q_i	-0.72	-0.71	-0.37	-1.2	0.06	2.01	1.29	?
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$[-0.72, -0.71, -0.37, -1.2]$ $[0.06, 2.01, 1.29]$



RNN Architecture

- Model State and Parameters
 - **model state (h)**: memorizes past information
 - h is **hidden** (cannot be directly observed)
 - h is in the form of a $|h|$ -**d vector**.

$$h = [h_1, h_2, \dots, h_{|h|}]$$

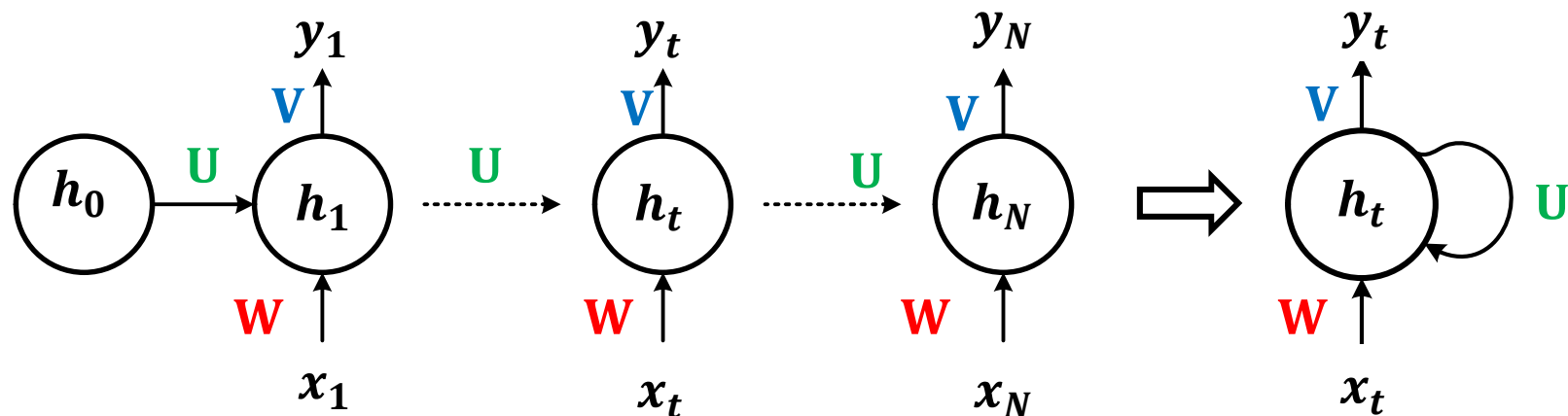
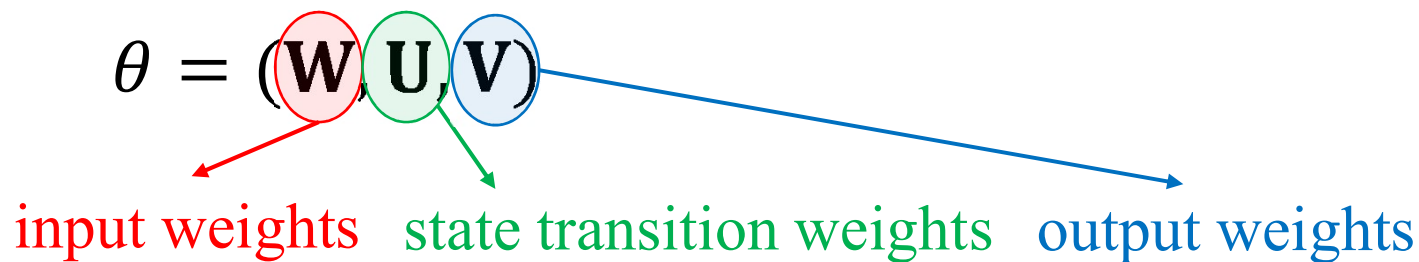
vector dimension is a constant
and specified by the user





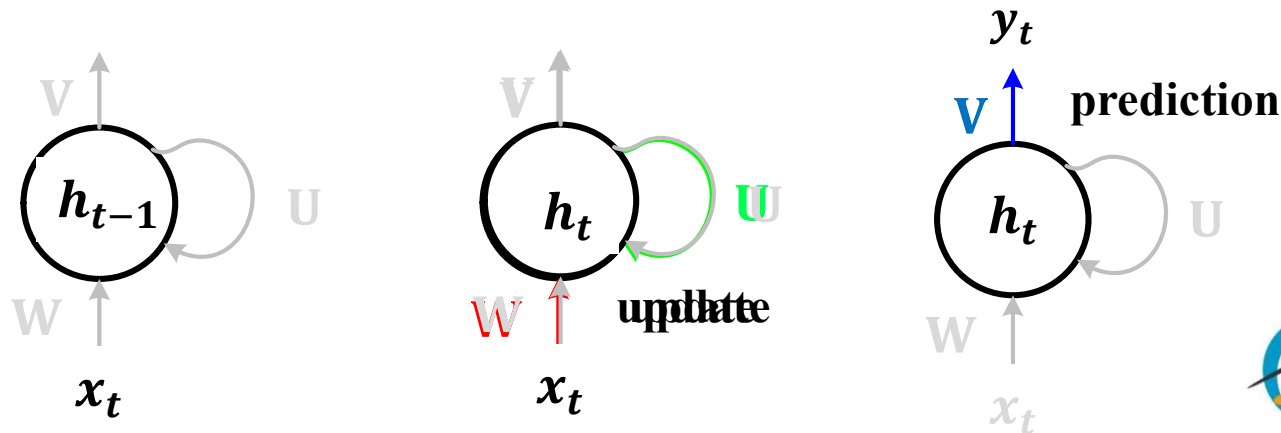
RNN Architecture

- Model State and Parameters
 - model parameters (θ): weights shared across times

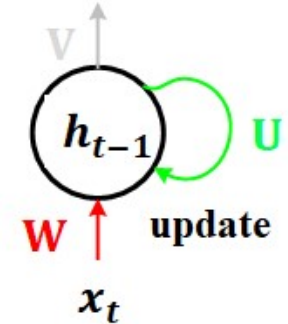


RNN Architecture

- Recurrent Inference: Formulation
 - **given:** input x_t and the previous state h_{t-1}
 - **objective:** output y_t
 - **update stage:** evolve the state from h_{t-1} to h_t
 - **prediction stage:** use h_t to produce y_t



RNN Architecture



- Recurrent Inference: update

- Step 1: transform the input x_t to the state u_t by $\mathbf{W}$.

$$(u_t)^T = \mathbf{W} \cdot (x_t)^T \Rightarrow \mathbf{W}: |\mathbf{h}| \times |\mathbf{x}| \text{ matrix}$$

transpose

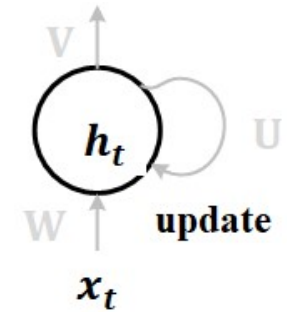
$|\mathbf{h}|$ -d state vector $|\mathbf{x}|$ -d input vector

- Step 2: use $\mathbf{U}$ to evolve the state from h_{t-1} to h_t^-

$$(h_t^-)^T = \mathbf{U} \cdot (h_{t-1})^T \Rightarrow \mathbf{U}: |\mathbf{h}| \times |\mathbf{h}| \text{ matrix}$$

$|\mathbf{h}|$ -d state vector

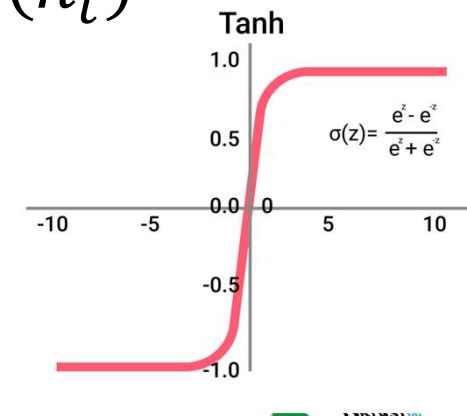
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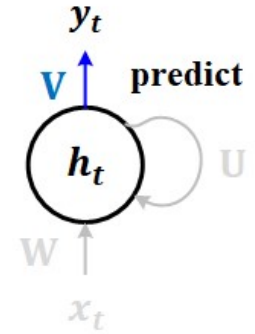
- Recurrent Inference: update
 - Step 3: fuse the data from the input and the past by adding u_t and h_t^-
 - Step 4: apply **tanh()** to compute the state h_t

$$\tanh(\underbrace{W \cdot (x_t)^T}_{u_t} \oplus \underbrace{U \cdot (h_{t-1}^T)}_{h_t^-}) = (h_t)^T$$

$$\tanh(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}$$



RNN Architecture



- Recurrent Inference: prediction
 - transform the state h_t to output y_t by $\mathbf{V}$.

$$(y_t)^T = \mathbf{V} \cdot (h_t)^T \Rightarrow \mathbf{V}: |\mathbf{y}| \times |\mathbf{h}| \text{ matrix}$$

$|\mathbf{y}|$ -d output vector $|\mathbf{h}|$ -d state vector



RNN Architecture

- Price Forecasting
 - take four values for predicting one price
 - $\Rightarrow |\mathbf{x}| = 4 \quad |\mathbf{y}| = 1$
 - model hidden state h as a 2-D vector and initialize to zero vector

$$|\mathbf{h}| = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow h_0 = [0.0, 0.0]$$



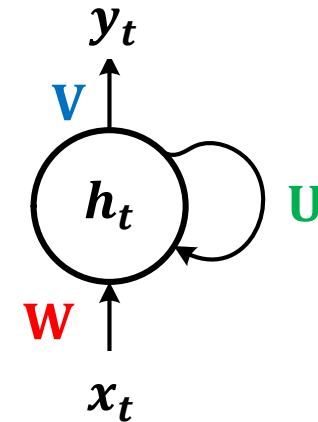
RNN Architecture

- Price Forecasting
 - model parameters
 - W (input $\rightarrow$ state) : 2×4 matrix
 - U (state $\rightarrow$ state) : 2×2 matrix
 - V (state $\rightarrow$ output): 1×2 matrix

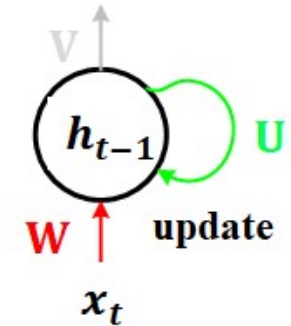
$$W = \begin{bmatrix} -0.14 & -0.09 & 0.39 & 0.00 \\ -0.48 & 0.06 & 0.30 & 1.09 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 4}$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} -0.34 & 0.59 \\ -0.52 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

$$V = [0.10 \quad 1.22]_{1 \times 2}$$



RNN Architecture



- Price Forecasting: update

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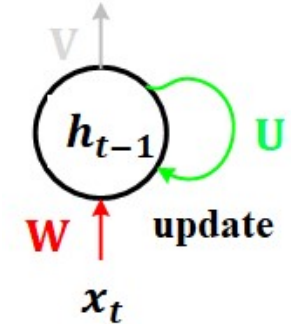
$$x_1 = [-0.72, -0.71, -0.37, -1.2]$$

- Step 1: transform the x_1 to u_1 by $\mathbf{W}$.

$$(u_1)^T = \mathbf{W} \cdot (x_1)^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -1.16 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.14 & -0.09 & 0.39 & 0.00 \\ -0.48 & 0.06 & 0.30 & 1.09 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} -0.72 \\ -0.71 \\ -0.37 \\ -1.2 \end{bmatrix}$$


RNN Architecture



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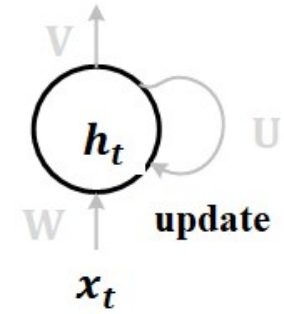
$$h_0 = [0.0, 0.0]$$

- **Step 2:** evolve the state from h_0 to h_1^- by U

$$\underline{(h_1^-)^T} = \underline{U} \cdot \underline{(h_0)^T}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.34 & 0.59 \\ -0.52 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

RNN Architecture



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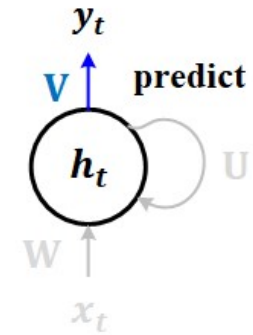
- Step 3: fuse u_1 and h_1^- by addition

$$(u_1)^T + (h_1^-)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -1.16 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -1.16 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Step 4: apply **tanh()** to compute the state h_1

$$\tanh\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -1.16 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \tanh(0.02) \\ \tanh(-1.16) \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow (h_1)^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

RNN Architecture



- Price Forecasting: prediction

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- transform the h_1 to y_1 by V

$$(y_1)^T = V \cdot (h_1)^T$$

$$[-0.98] = [0.10 \quad 1.22] \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 \\ -0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- un-normalize y_1 to the real price

$$\text{price} = y_1 \times 98 * 0.97 + 85.52 = 84.56$$

RNN Training

- Training Overview

- split data sequences into k data segments

$$\mathbf{S} = \langle \mathbf{S}_1, \mathbf{S}_2, \dots, \mathbf{S}_k \rangle$$

- randomly select a data segment $\mathbf{S}_i$ from $\mathbf{S}$

$$\mathbf{S}_i = x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, \dots, x_{n_i}^{(i)}$$

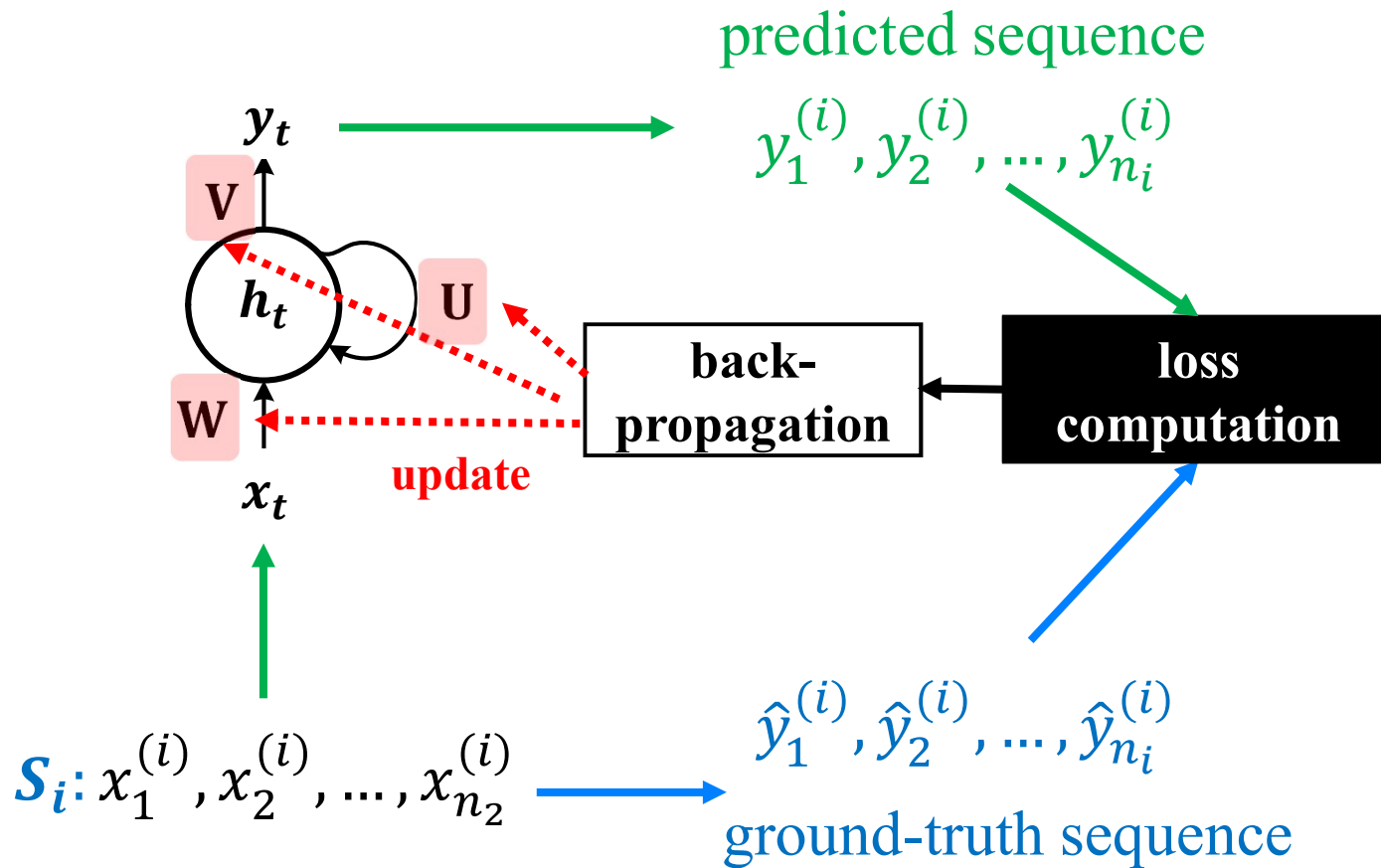
- flow through RNN to produce the output sequence

$$y_1^{(i)}, y_2^{(i)}, \dots, y_{n_i}^{(i)}$$

- compute prediction loss for updating $\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}$

$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \dots \dots \dots, x_N$

$S_1: x_1^{(1)}, x_2^{(1)}, \dots, x_{n_1}^{(2)}$ $S_i: x_1^{(i)}, x_2^{(i)}, \dots, x_{n_2}^{(i)}$ $S_k: x_1^{(k)}, x_2^{(k)}, \dots, x_{n_2}^{(k)}$



RNN Training

- Loss Definition

- measure the error between the prediction $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N$ and the ground truth $\hat{y}_1, \hat{y}_2, \dots, \hat{y}_N$
- ✓ • mean square error (MSE) (value prediction)

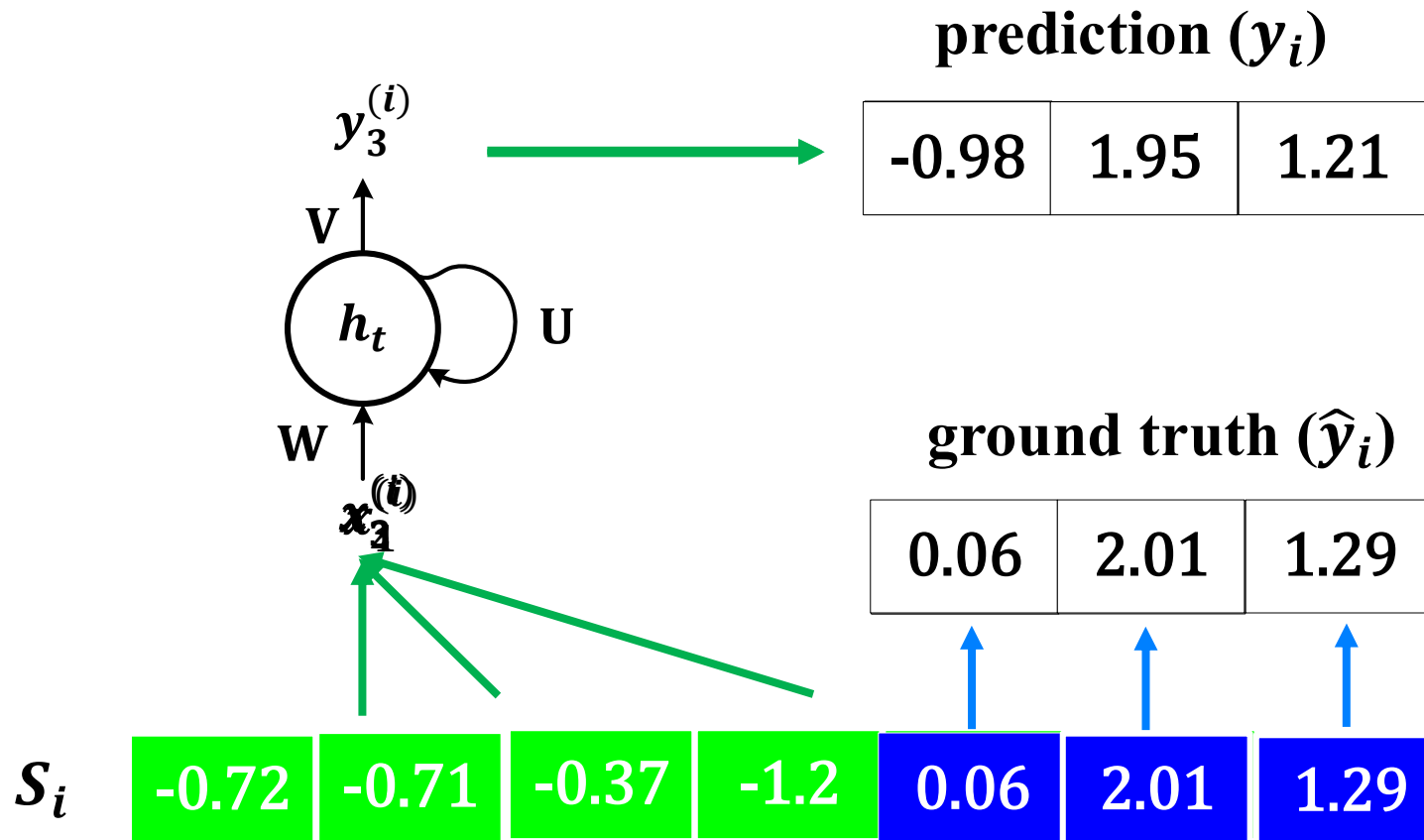
$$L_{MSE} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{N}}_{\text{average}} \times \underbrace{\sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}_{\text{total square error}}$$

- cross entropy (classification)

$$L_E = - \sum_i \hat{y}_i \times \log(y_i)$$

RNN Training

- Loss Definition: Price Forecasting



RNN Training

- Loss Definition: Price Forecasting

prediction (y_i)			ground truth ($\hat{y}_i$)		
-0.98	1.95	1.21	0.06	2.01	1.29

$$L_{MSE} = \frac{1}{3} \times \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad \text{total square error}$$

average

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times ((-0.98 - 0.06)^2 + (1.95 - 2.01)^2 + (1.21 - 1.29)^2)$$

$$= 1.09$$

thank you

