

Transformer 的競爭者們



Is Attention All You Need?



Current Status: Yes

Time Remaining: 656d 19h 39m 37s

<https://www.isattentionallyouneed.com/>

Proposition:

On January 1, 2027, a Transformer-like model will continue to hold the state-of-the-art position in most benchmarked tasks in natural language processing.

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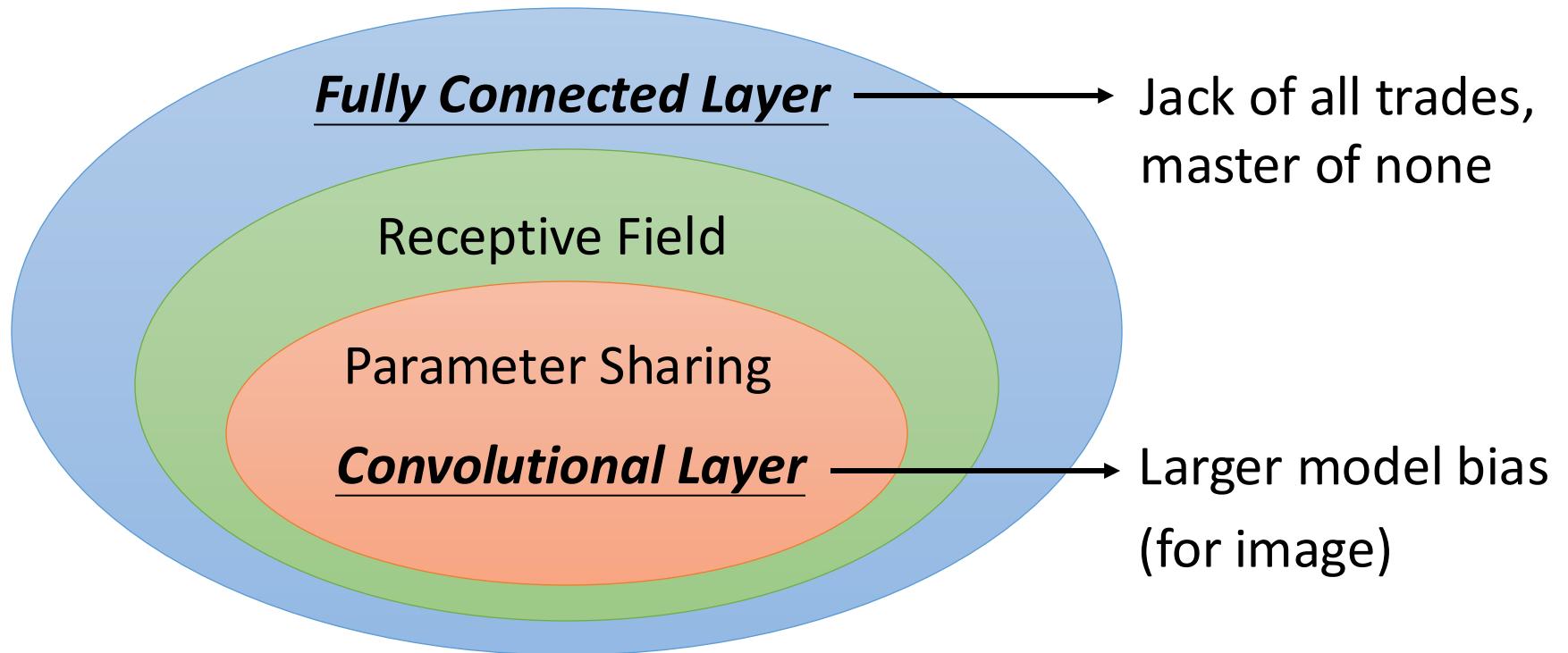
Research Scientist Hugging Face 😊



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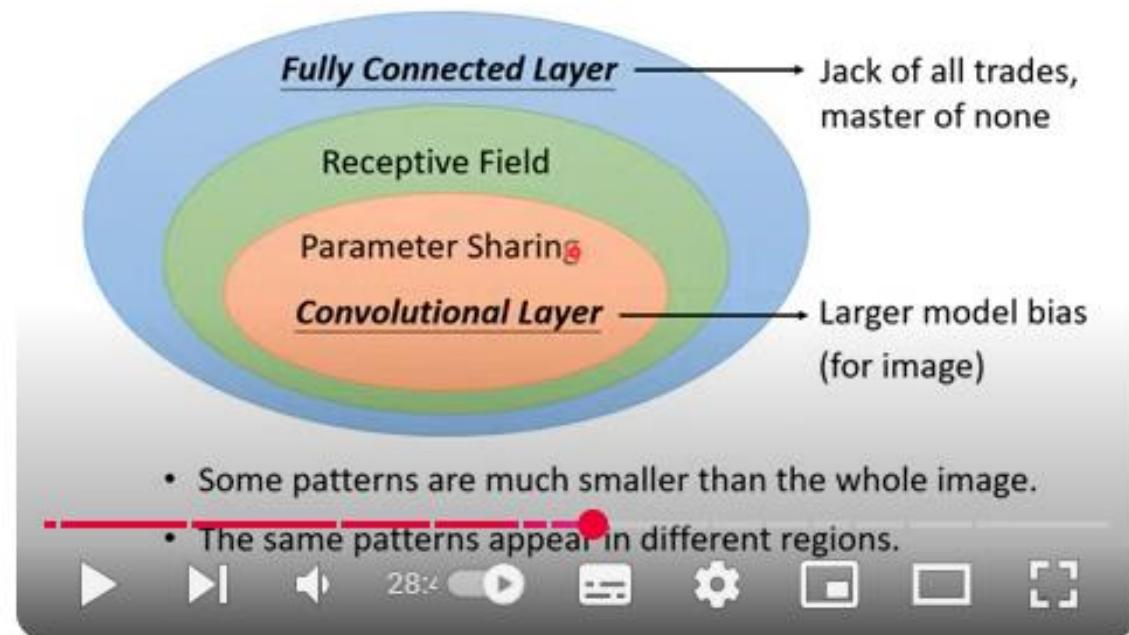
根據影像的特性，減少需要的參數，避免 Overfitting

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Benefit of Convolutional Layer

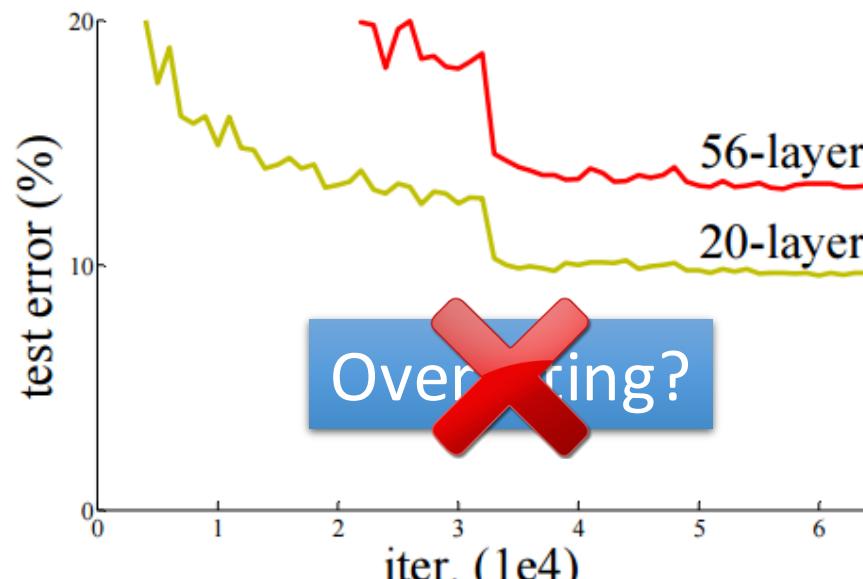


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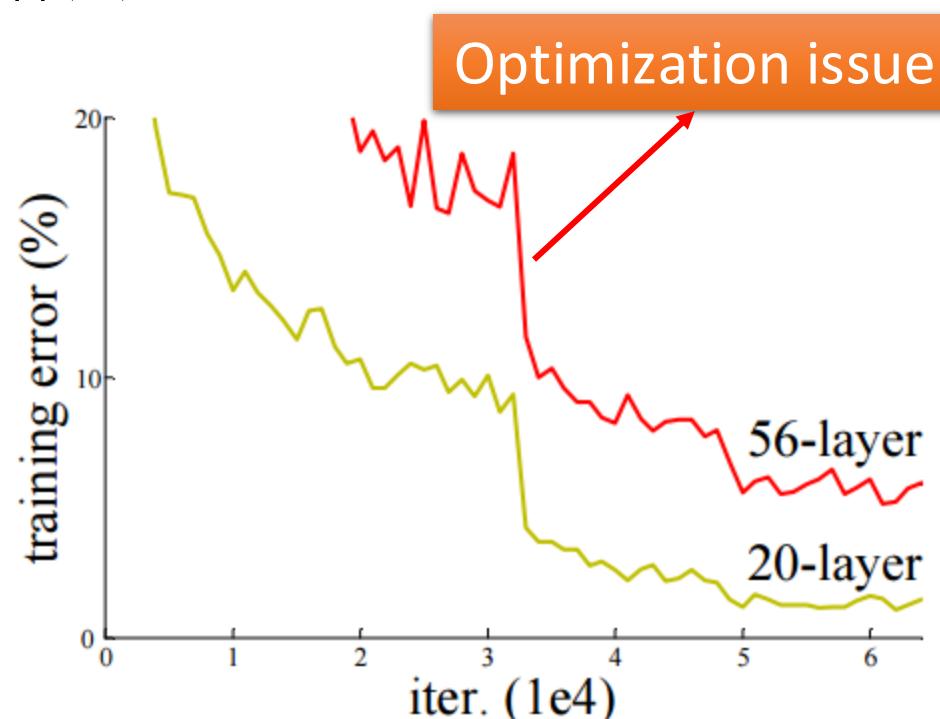
【機器學習2021】卷積神經網路 (Convolutional Neural Networks, CNN)

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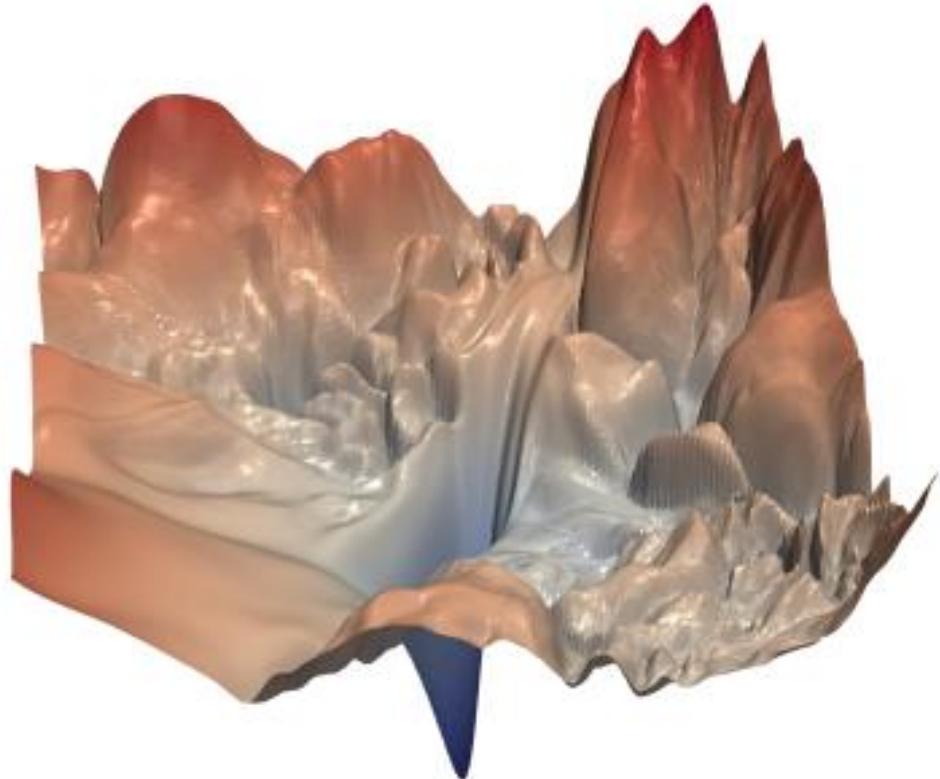
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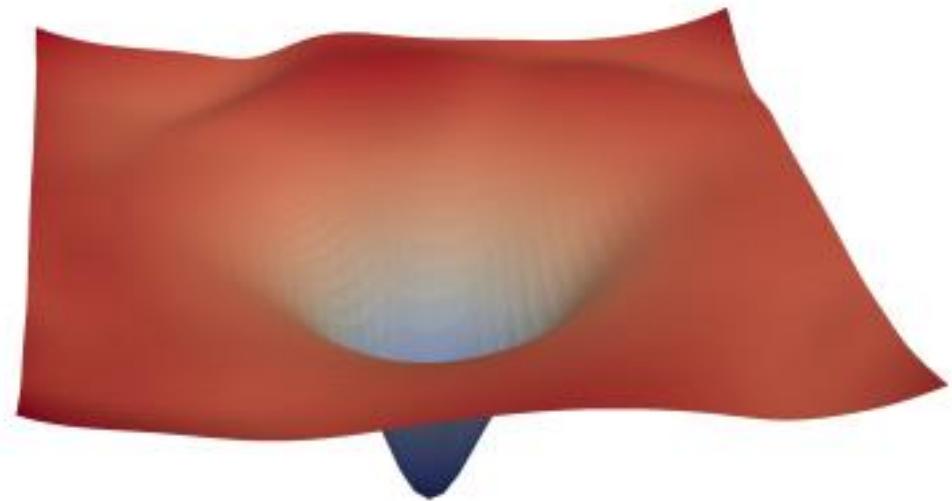
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- Residual Connection 存在的理由是什麼？為了讓 Optimization 可以做得更好

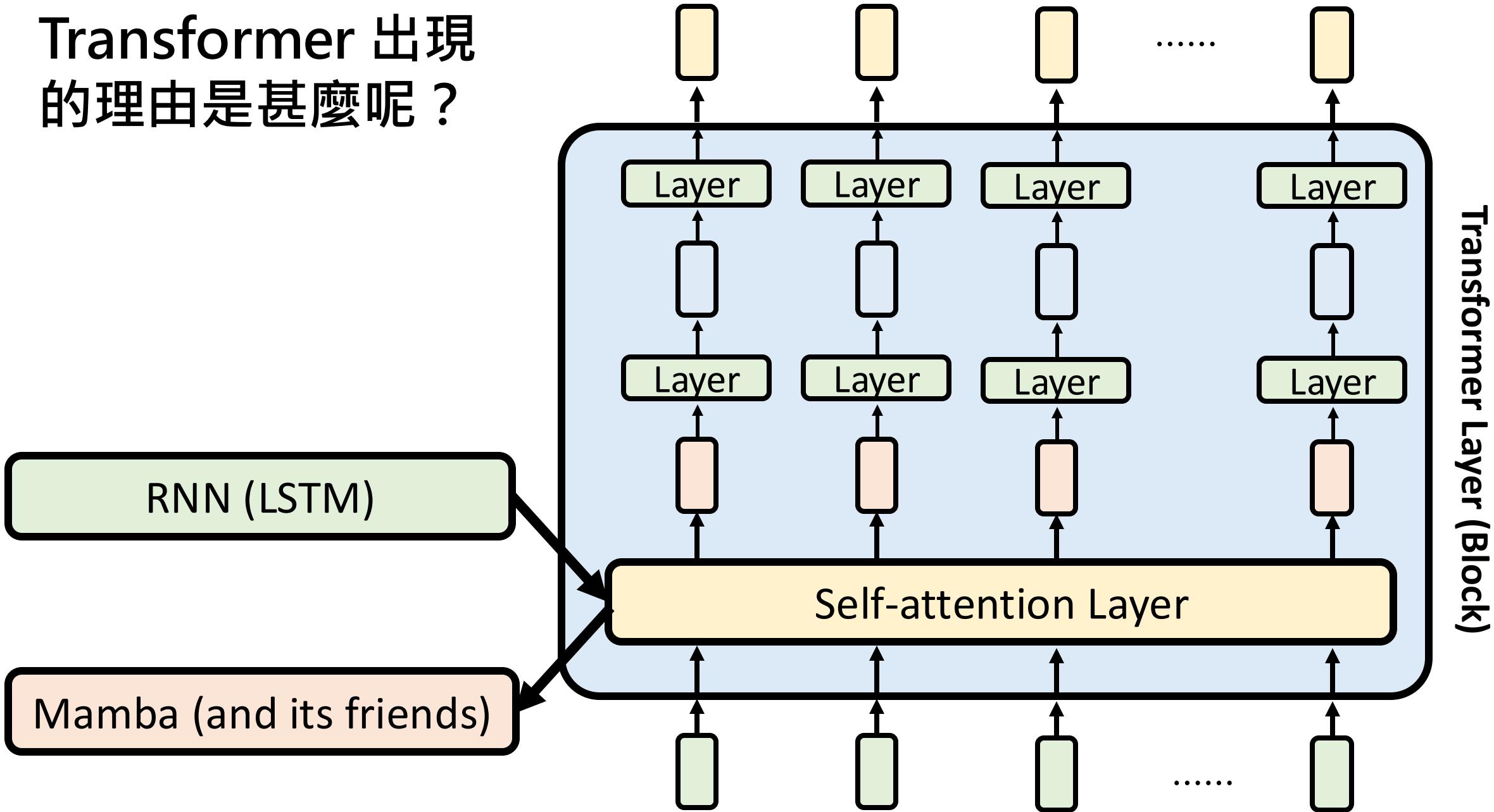


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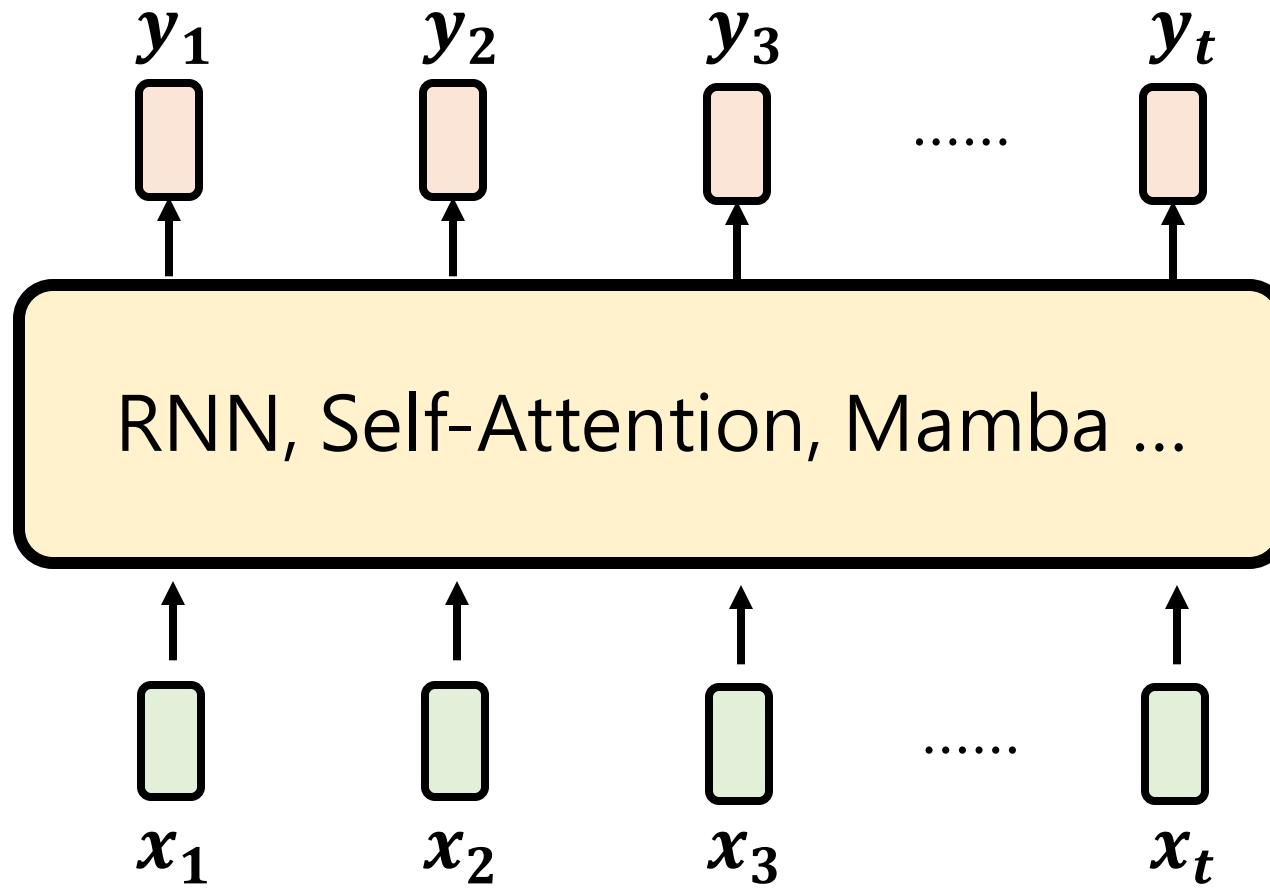


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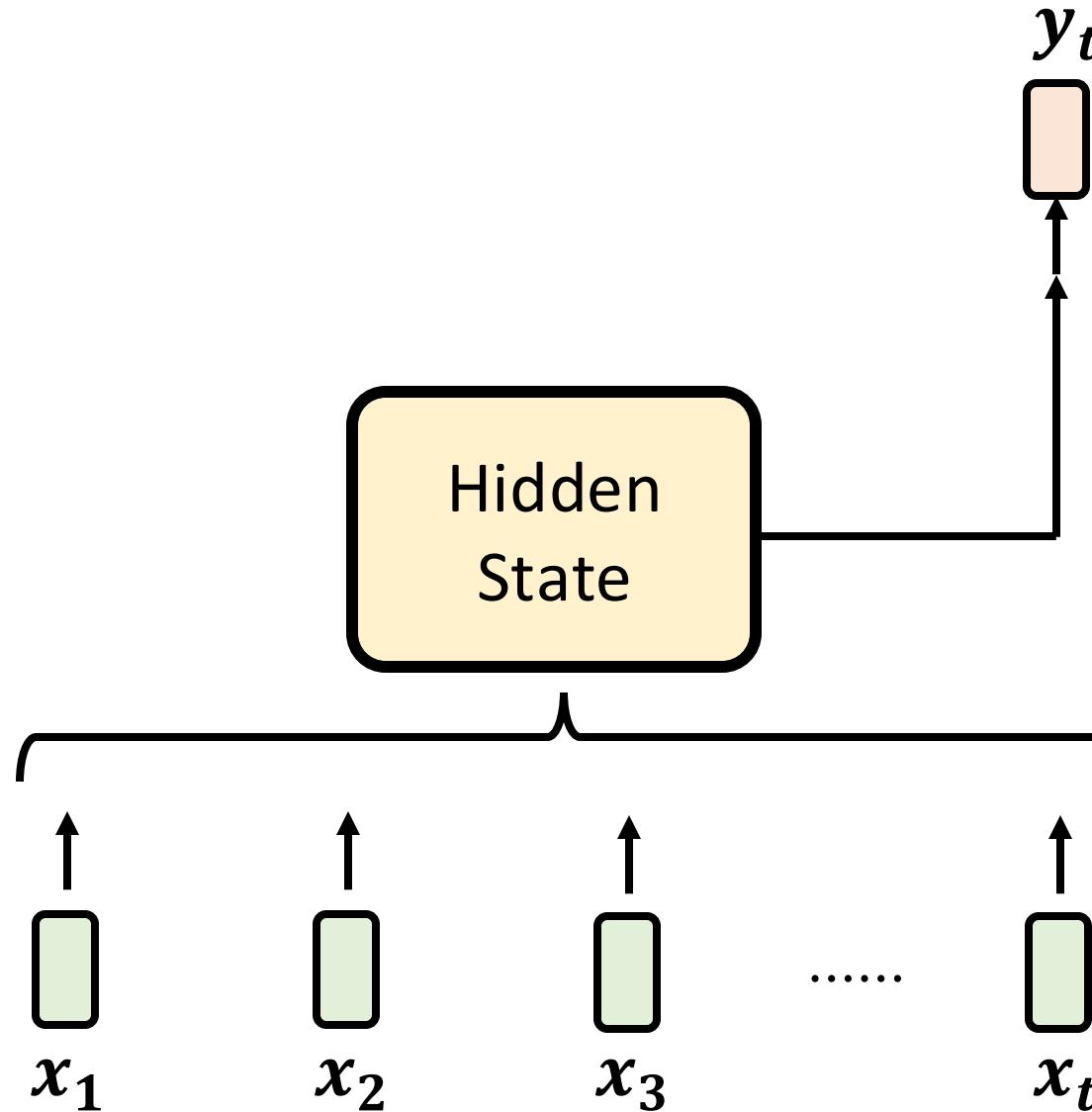
Transformer 出現
的理由是甚麼呢？



要解的問題



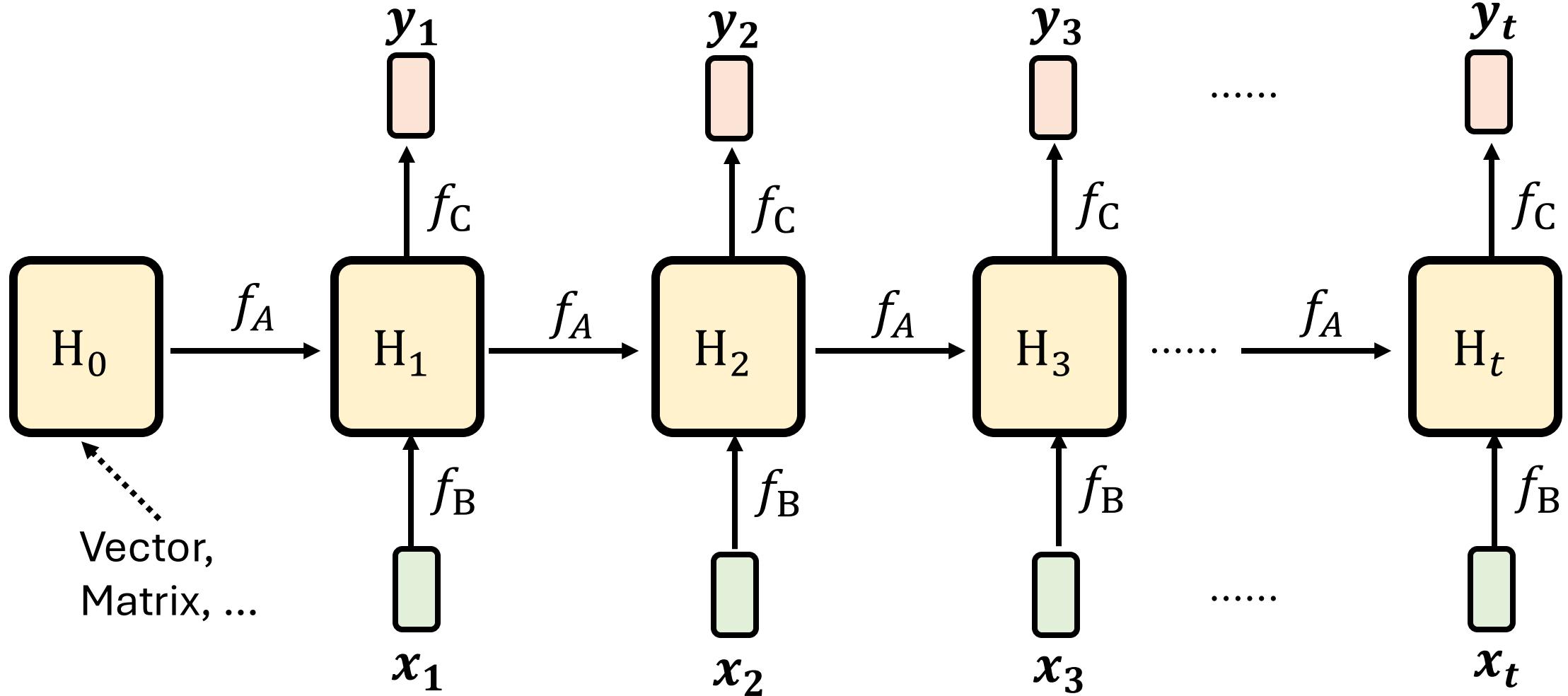
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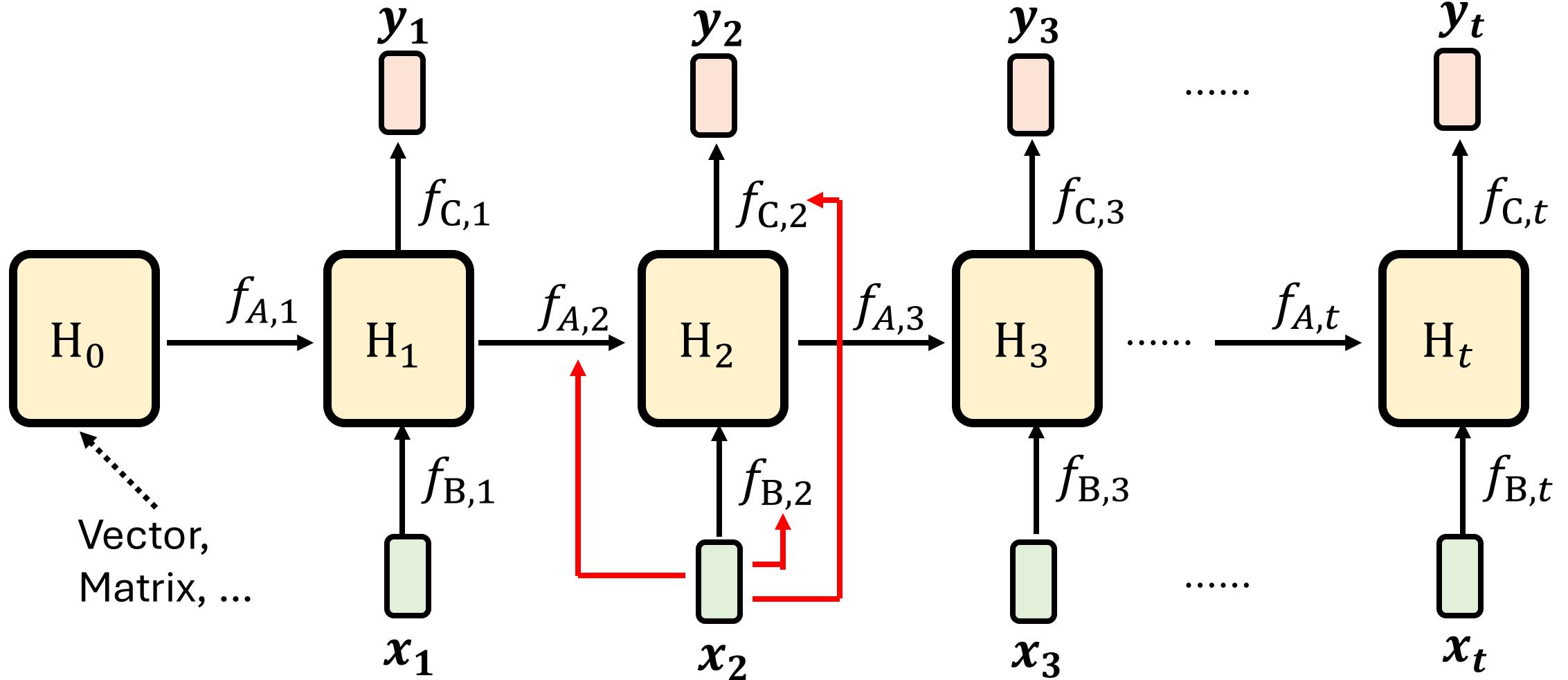
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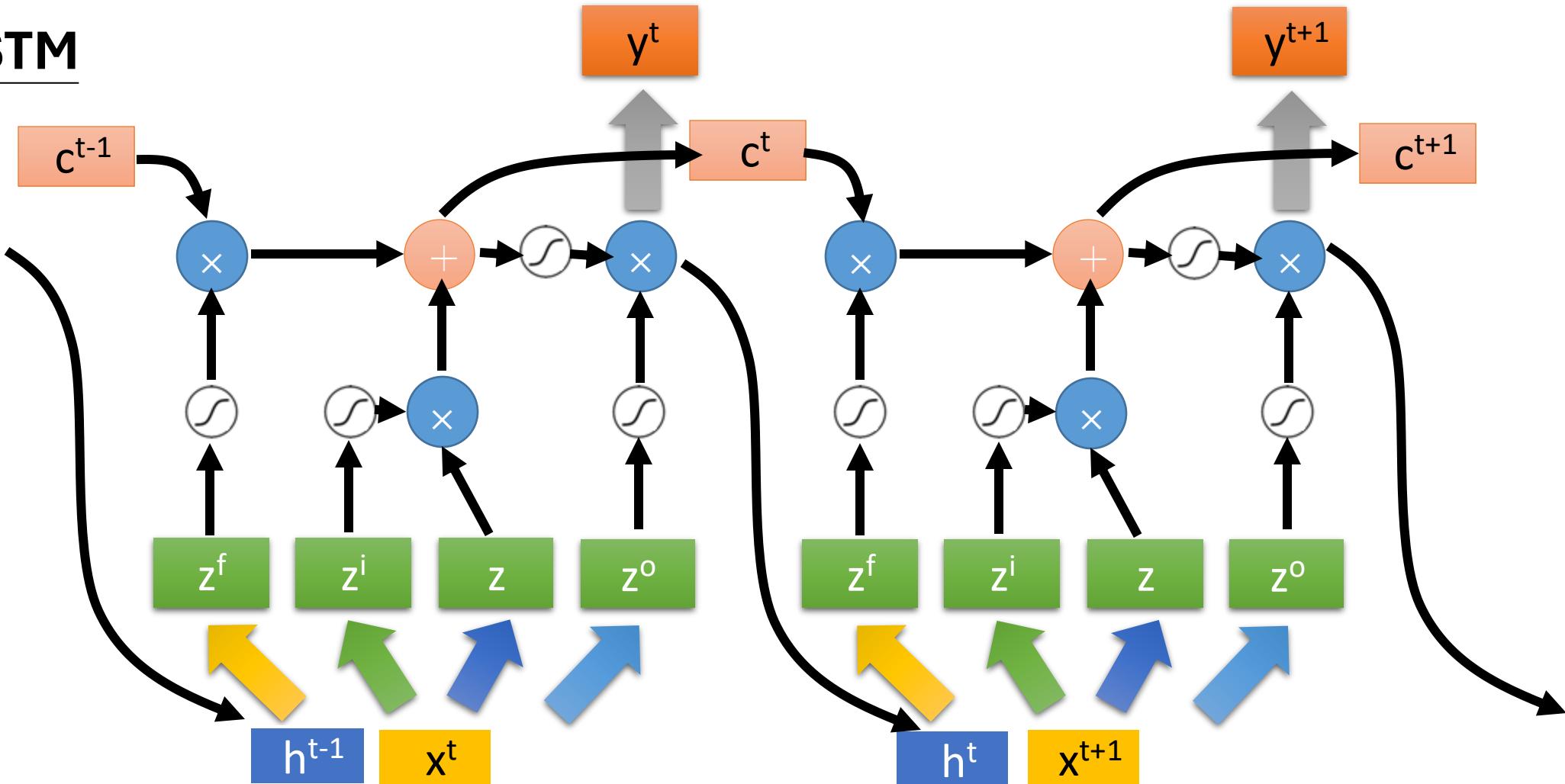
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_t &= f_{A,t}(\mathbf{H}_{t-1}) + f_{B,t}(x_t) \\ \mathbf{y}_t &= f_{C,t}(\mathbf{H}_t) \end{aligned}$$



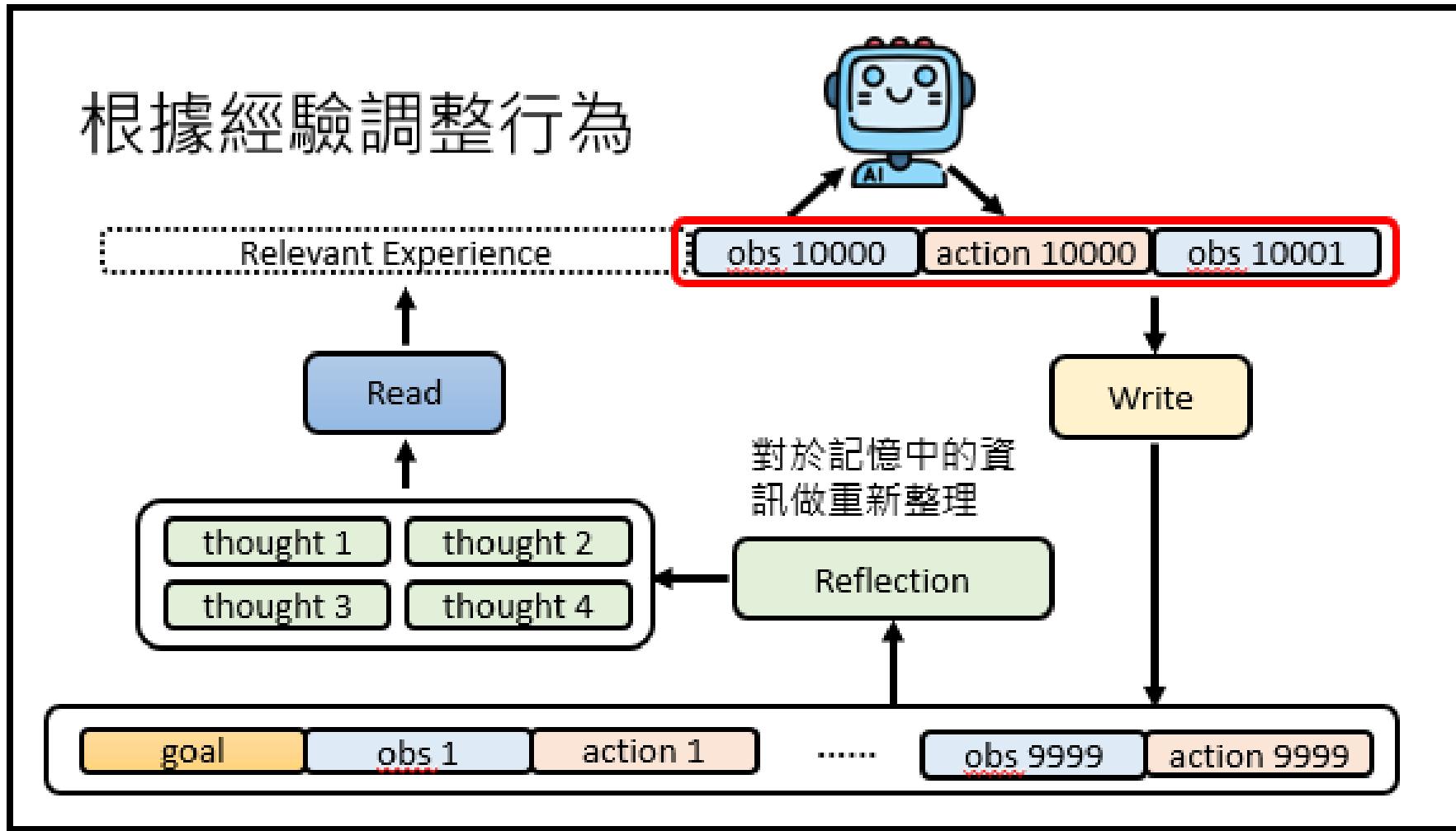
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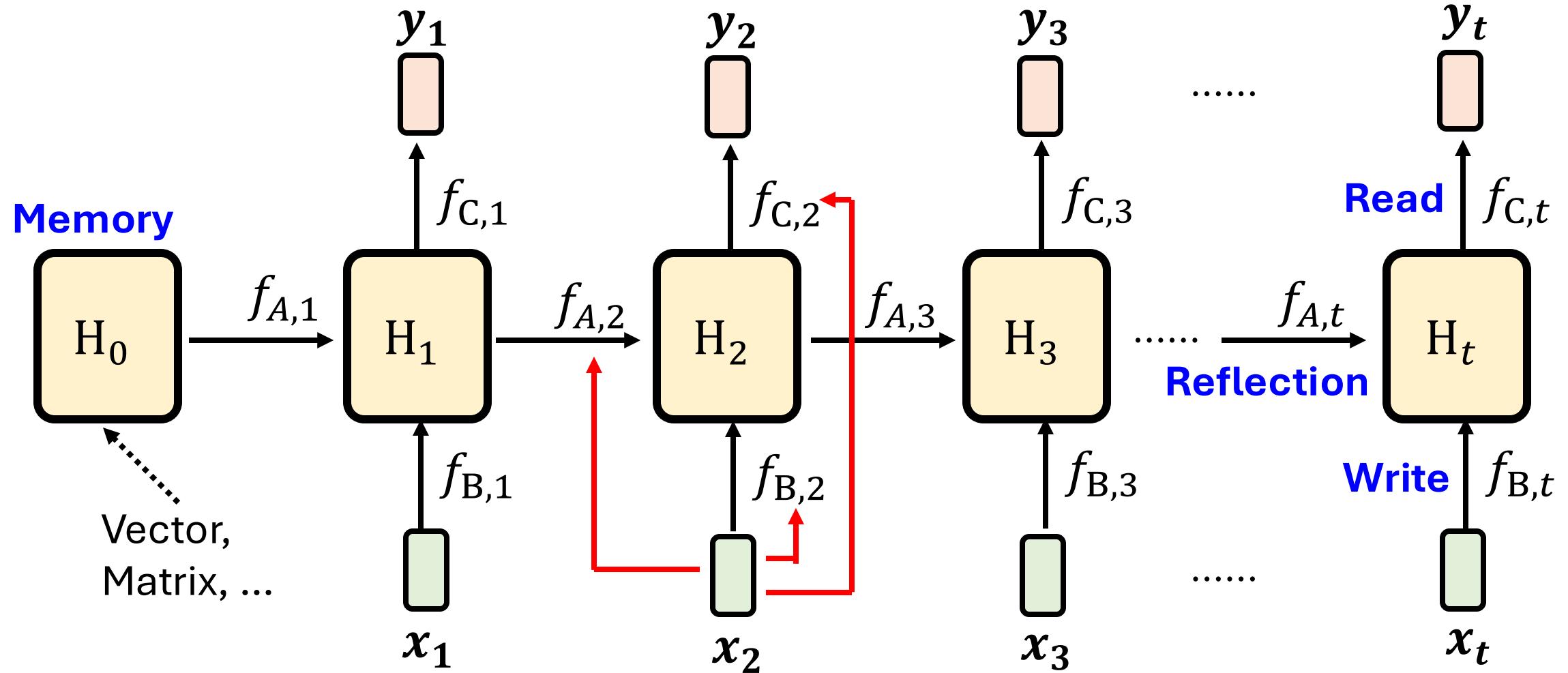
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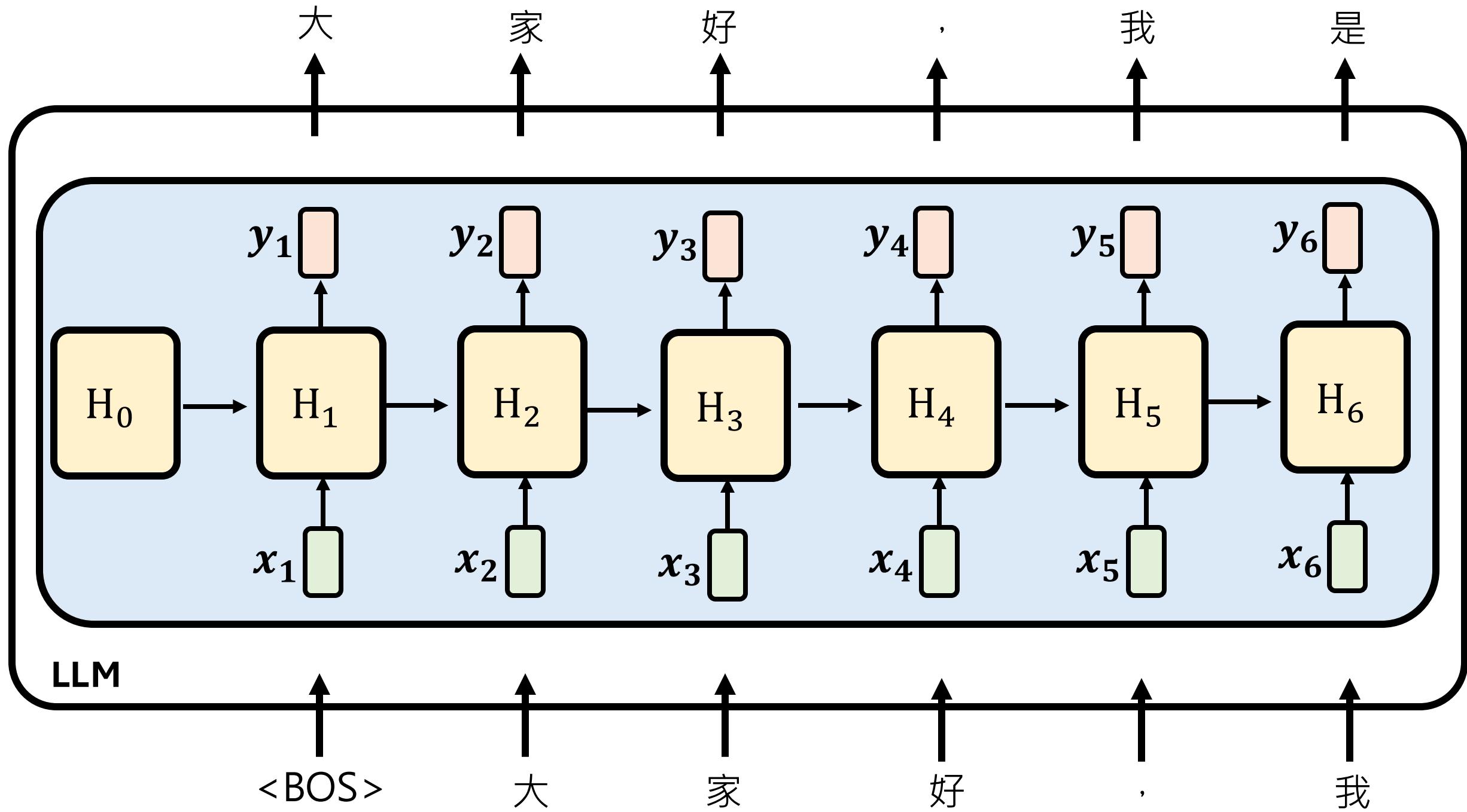


RNN-Style vs. AI Agent's Memory

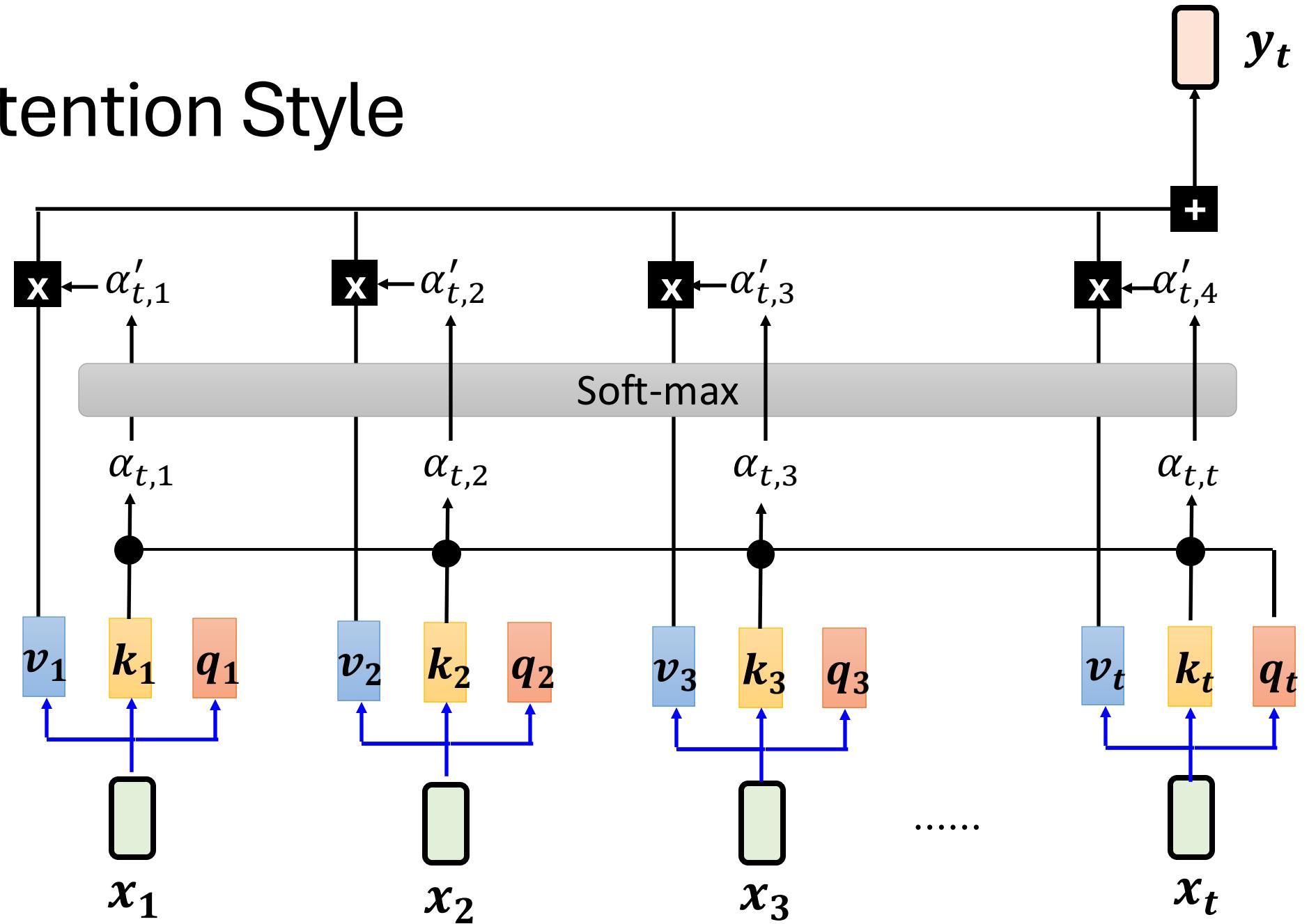


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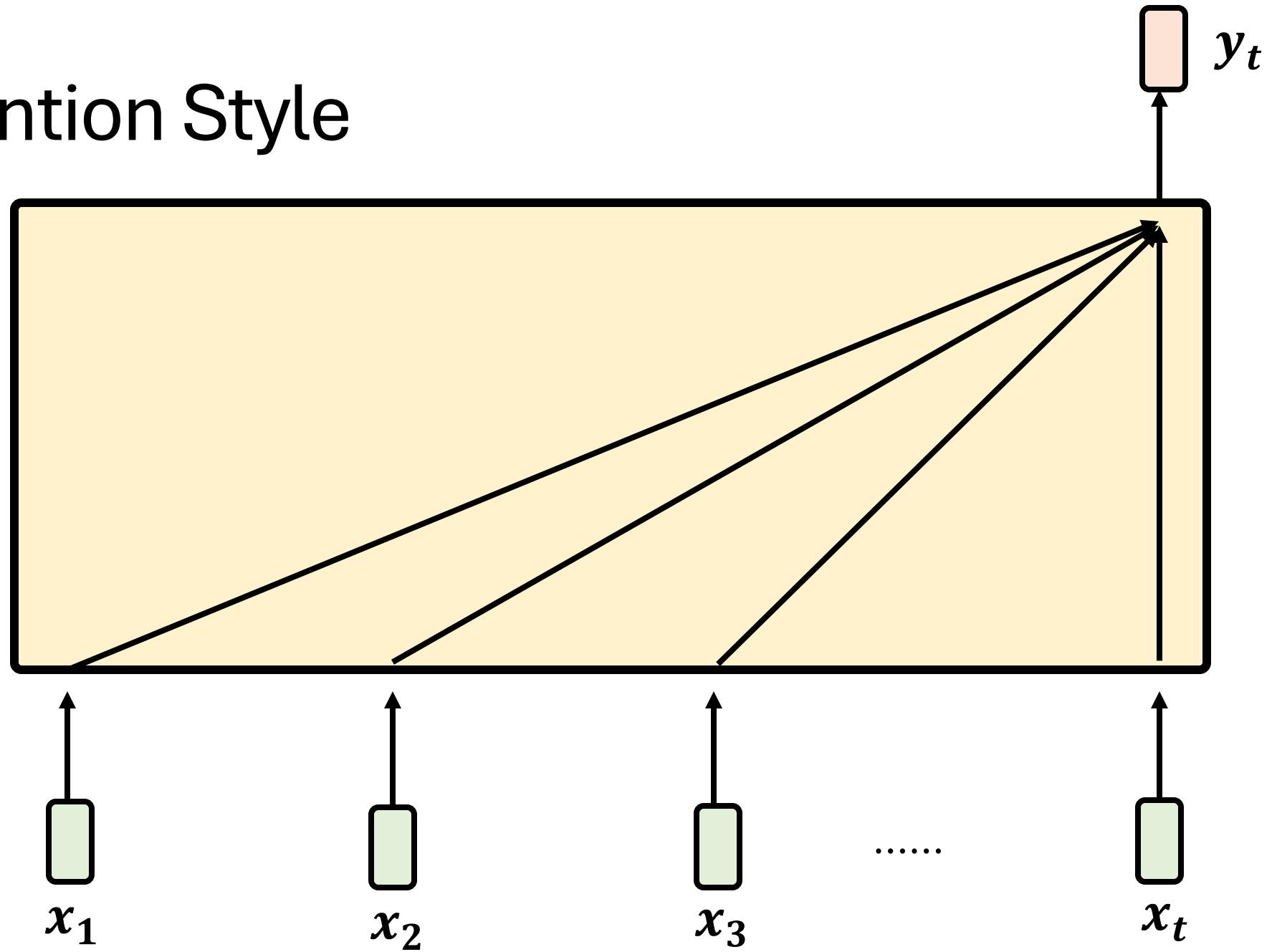




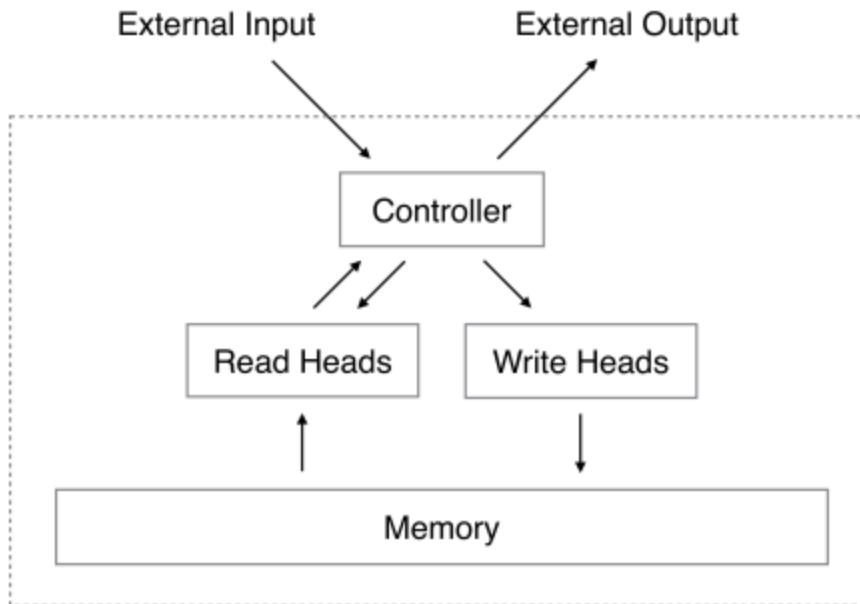
Self-Attention Style



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Attention 的概念很早就有了



Neural Turing Machine

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1410.5401>

Joe went to the garden then Fred picked up the milk; Joe moved to the bathroom and Fred dropped the milk, and then Dan moved to the living_room.
Where is Dan? A: living room I believe
Where is Joe? A: the bathroom
Fred moved to the bedroom and Joe went to the kitchen then Joe took the milk there and Dan journeyed to the bedroom; Joe discarded the milk.
Where is the milk now ? A: the milk is in the kitchen
Where is Dan now? A: I think he is in the bedroom
Joe took the milk there, after that Mike travelled to the office, then Joe went to the living_room, next Dan went back to the kitchen and Joe travelled to the office.
Where is Joe now? A: I think Joe is in the office

Memory Networks

[https://arxiv.org/pdf/1410.3916](https://arxiv.org/pdf/1410.3916.pdf)

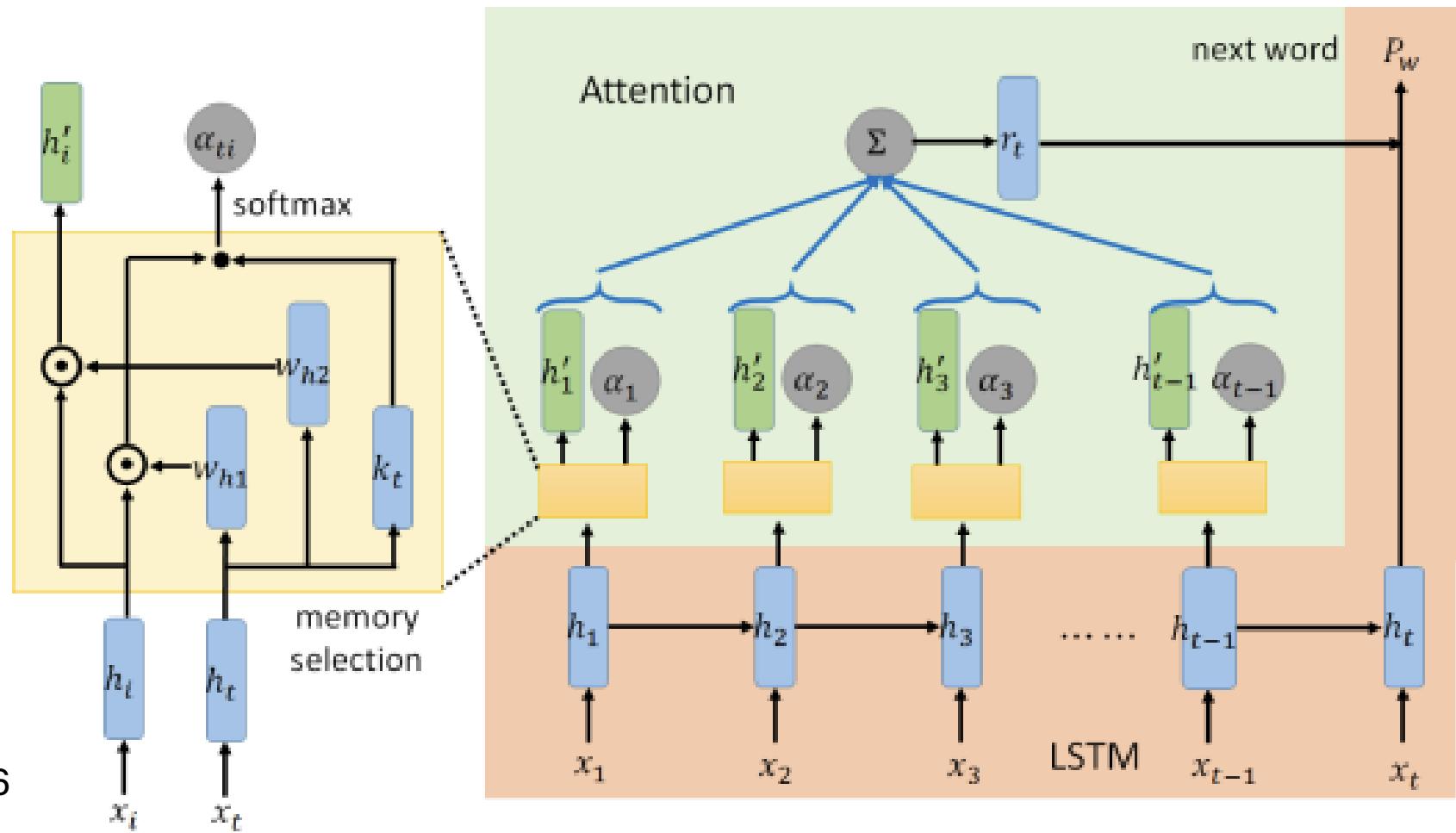
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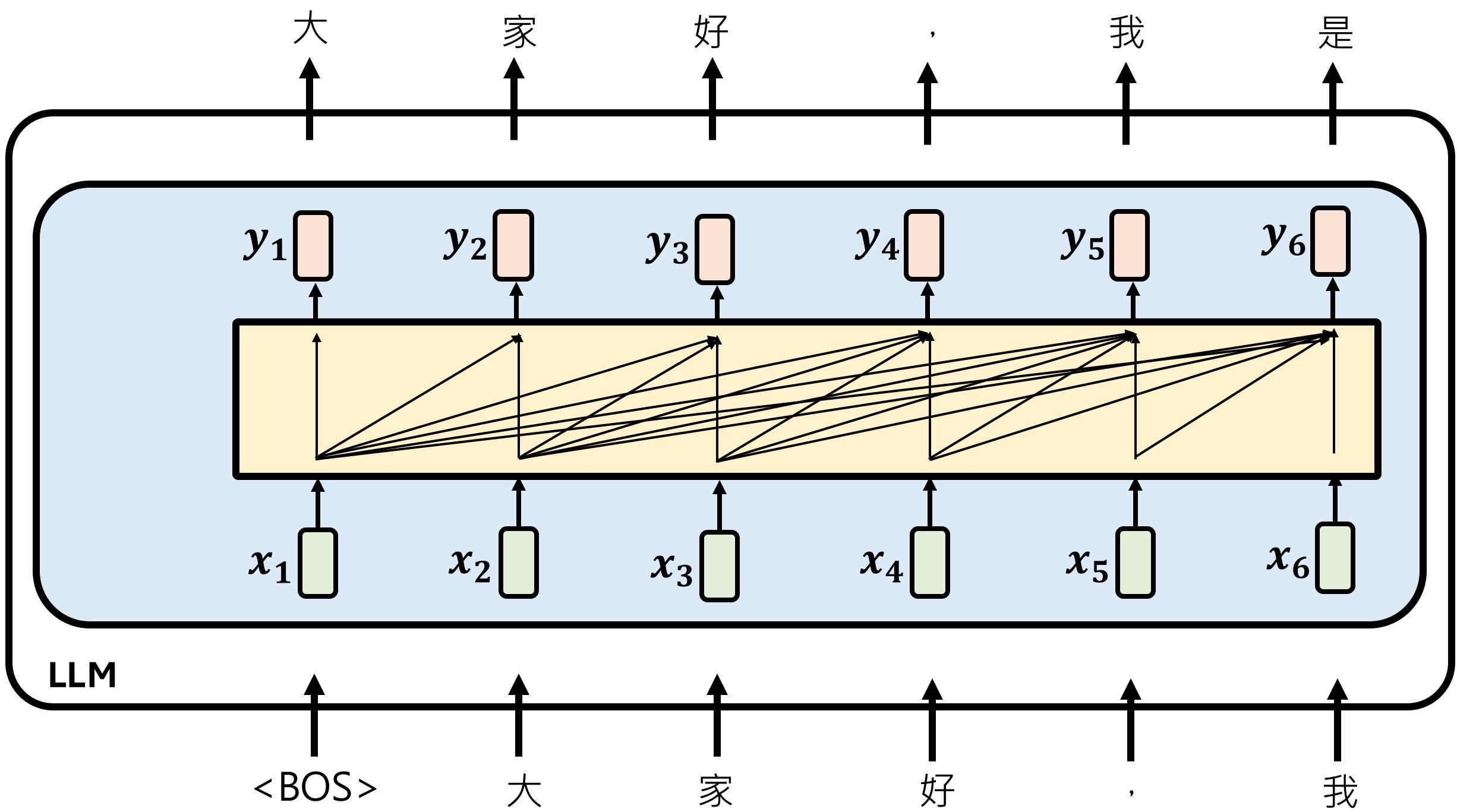


Da-Rong Liu

Attention-based Memory
Selection Recurrent Network
for Language Modeling

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.08656>

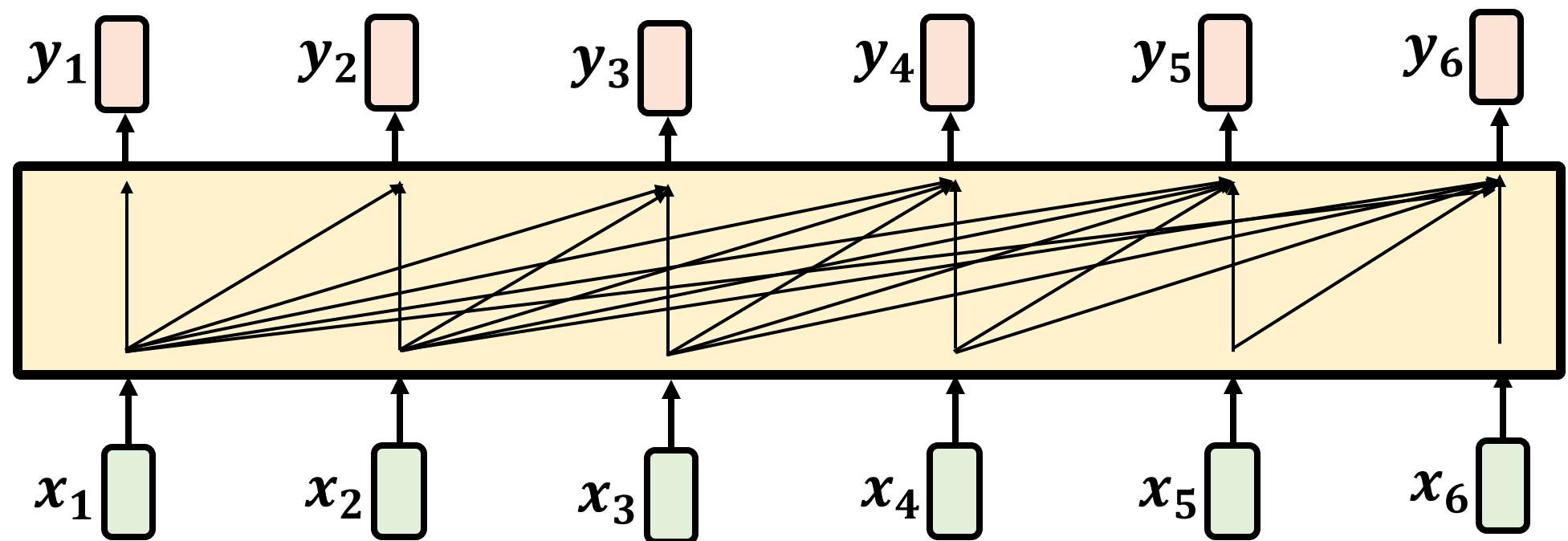
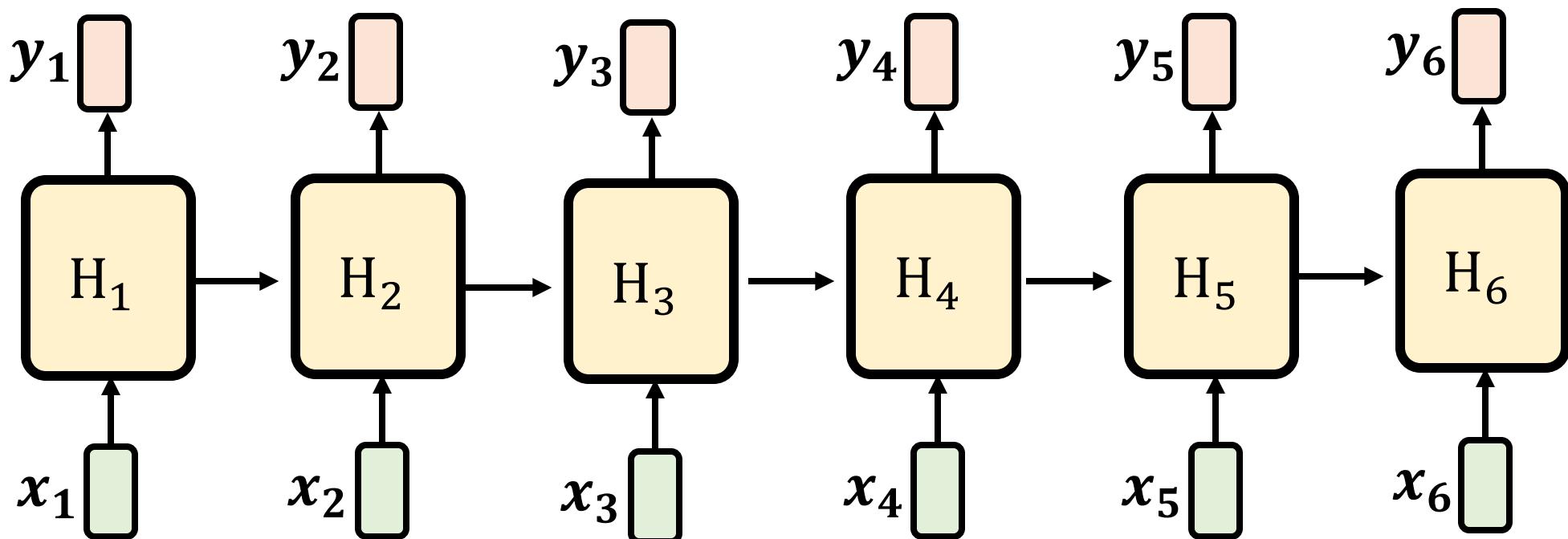




每一步運算量
都一樣

RNN 沒辦法
記大量資訊？

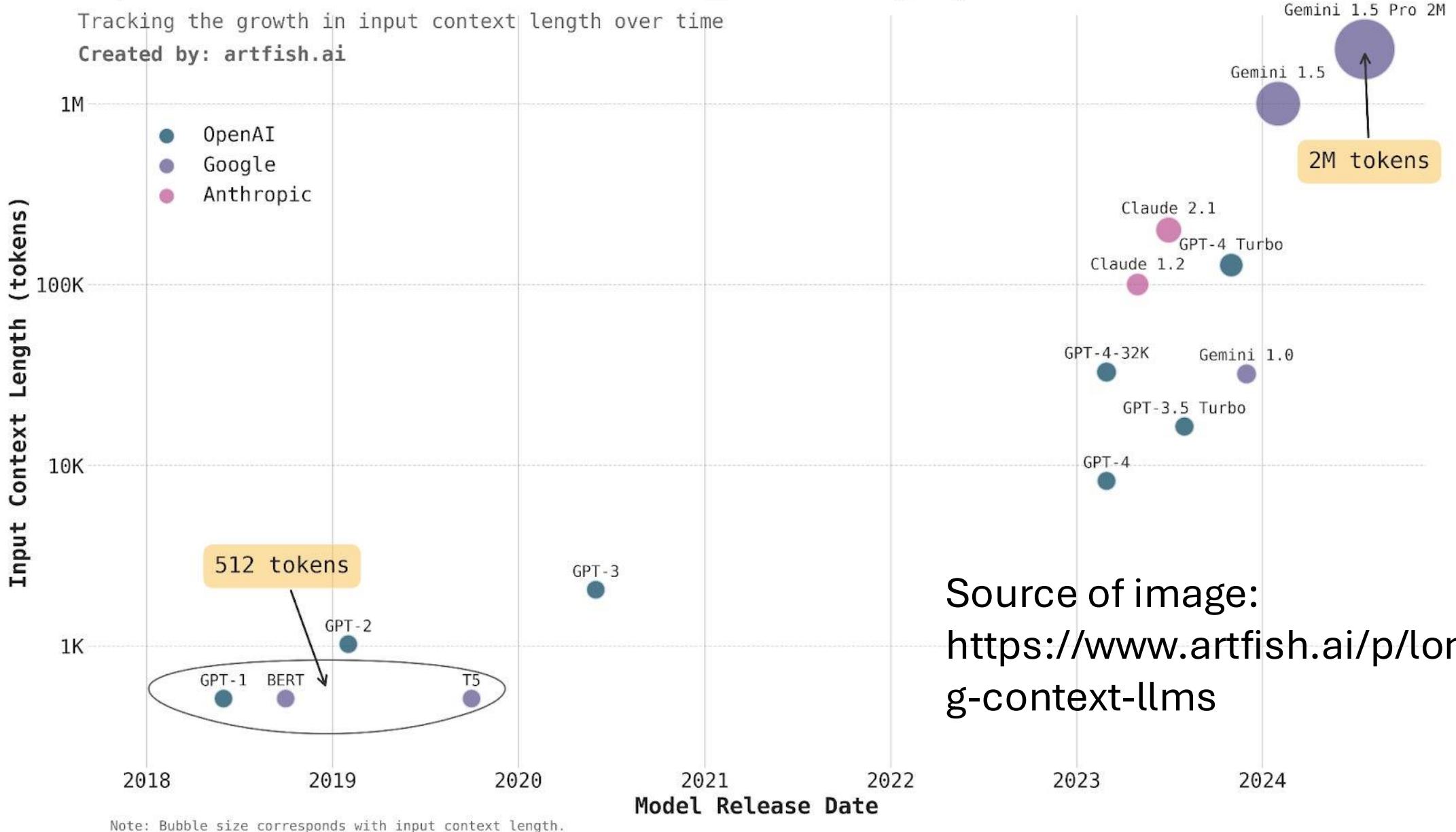
輸入越長，運
算量越來越大



Exponential Growth of Context Length in Language Models

Tracking the growth in input context length over time

Created by: artfish.ai



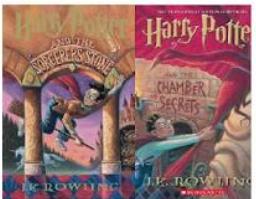
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Google's Gemini 1.5 can (almost) fit the entire Harry Potter + Lord of the Ring series in its 2 million context window

Gemini 1.5 2M
(June 2024)



Claude 2.1
(July 2023)



GPT-4 Turbo
(March 2023)



RAG、AI Agent 都需要語言模型
處理很長的序列

GPT-3.5 Turbo
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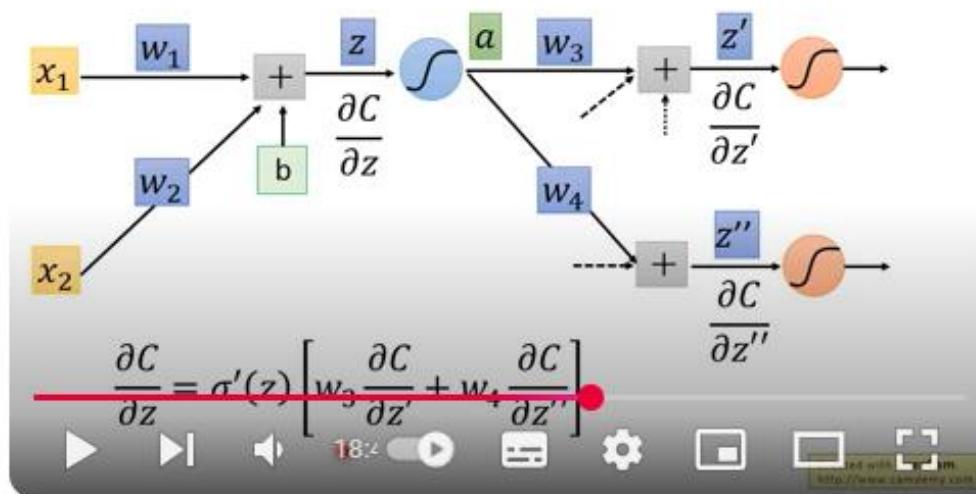
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In this work we propose the Transformer, a model architecture eschewing recurrence and instead relying entirely on an attention mechanism to draw global dependencies between input and output. The Transformer allows for significantly more parallelization and can reach a new state of the art in translation quality after being trained for as little as twelve hours on eight P100 GPUs.

語言模型的訓練 (找出參數)

Backpropagation – Backward pass

Compute $\partial C / \partial z$ for all activation function inputs z



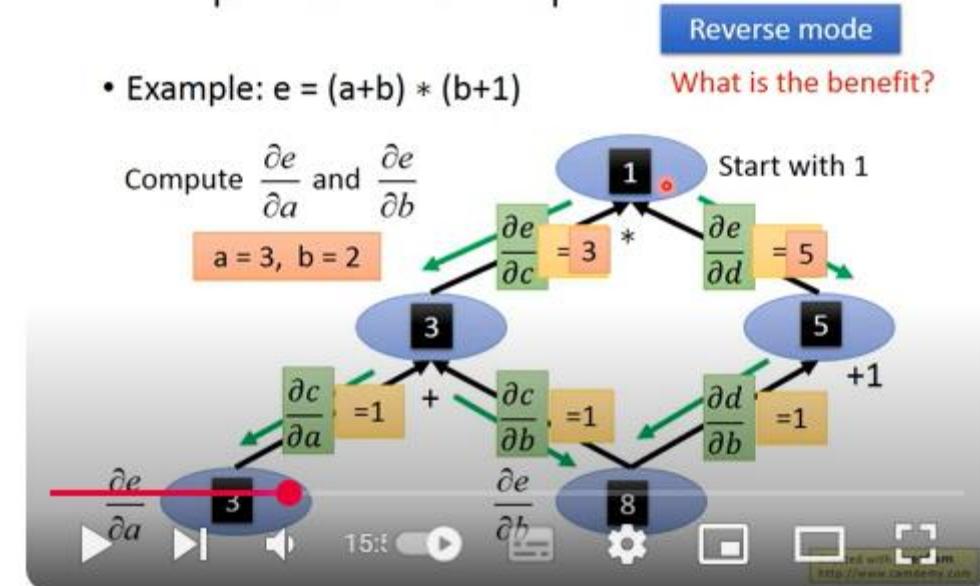
ML Lecture 7: Backpropagation

Backpropagation

<https://youtu.be/ibJpTrp5mcE>

Computational Graph

- Example: $e = (a+b) * (b+1)$



Computational Graph & Backpropagation

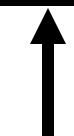
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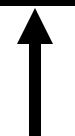
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- 更新參數前要先算出自己的答案

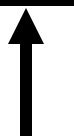
$$\{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{t-1}\} \rightarrow z_t$$



z_1

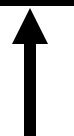


z_2



z_3

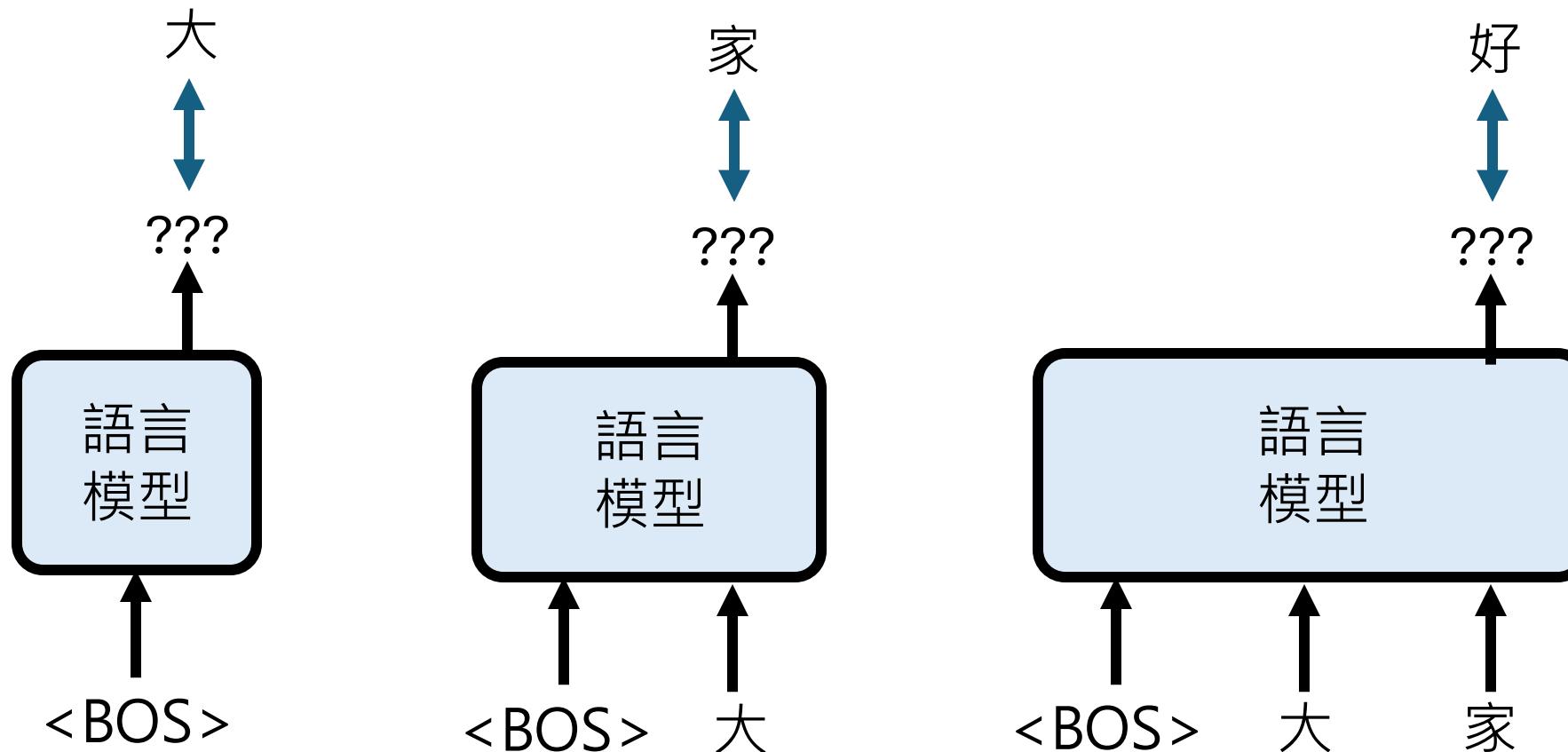
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z_{t-1}

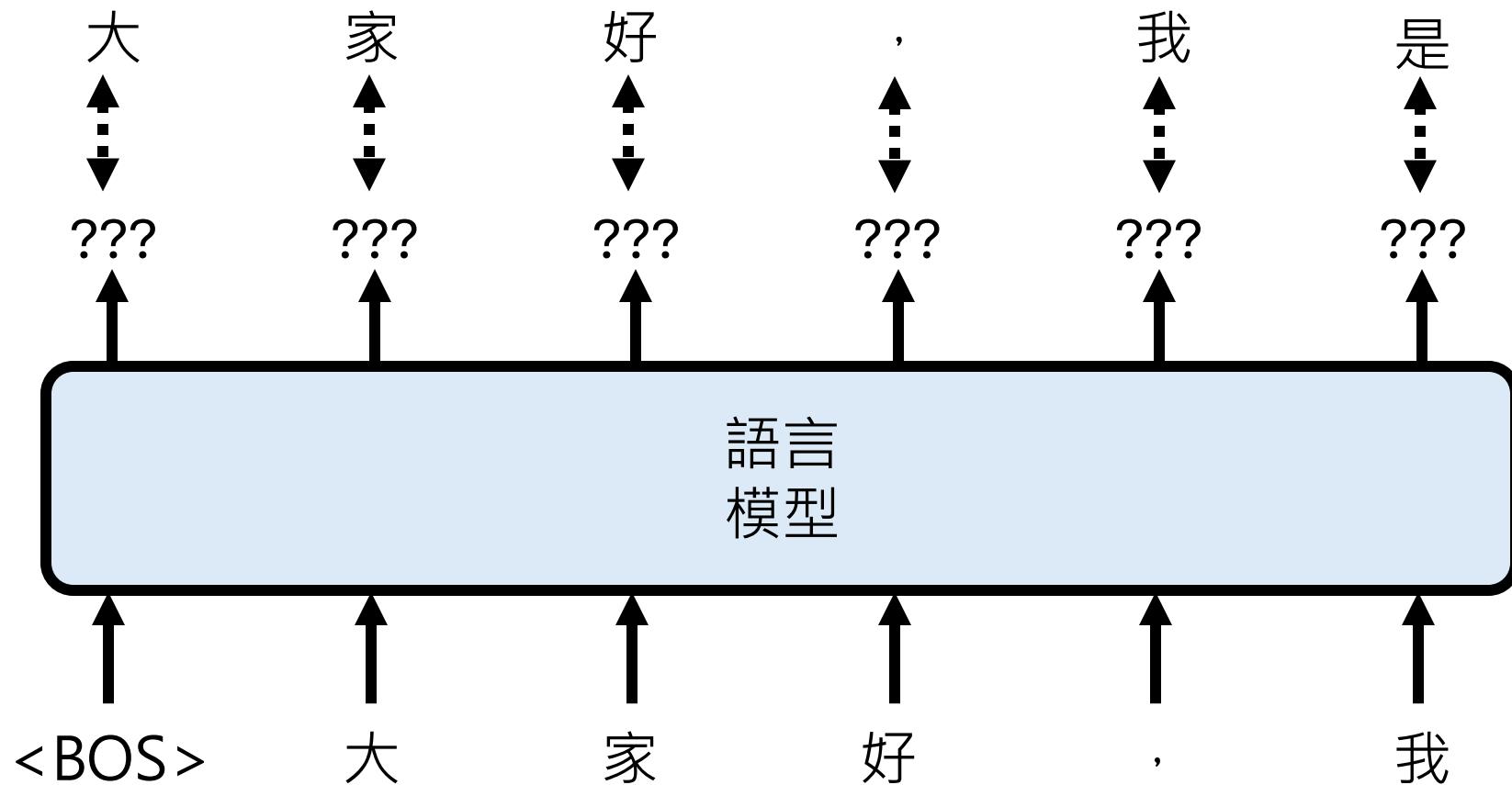
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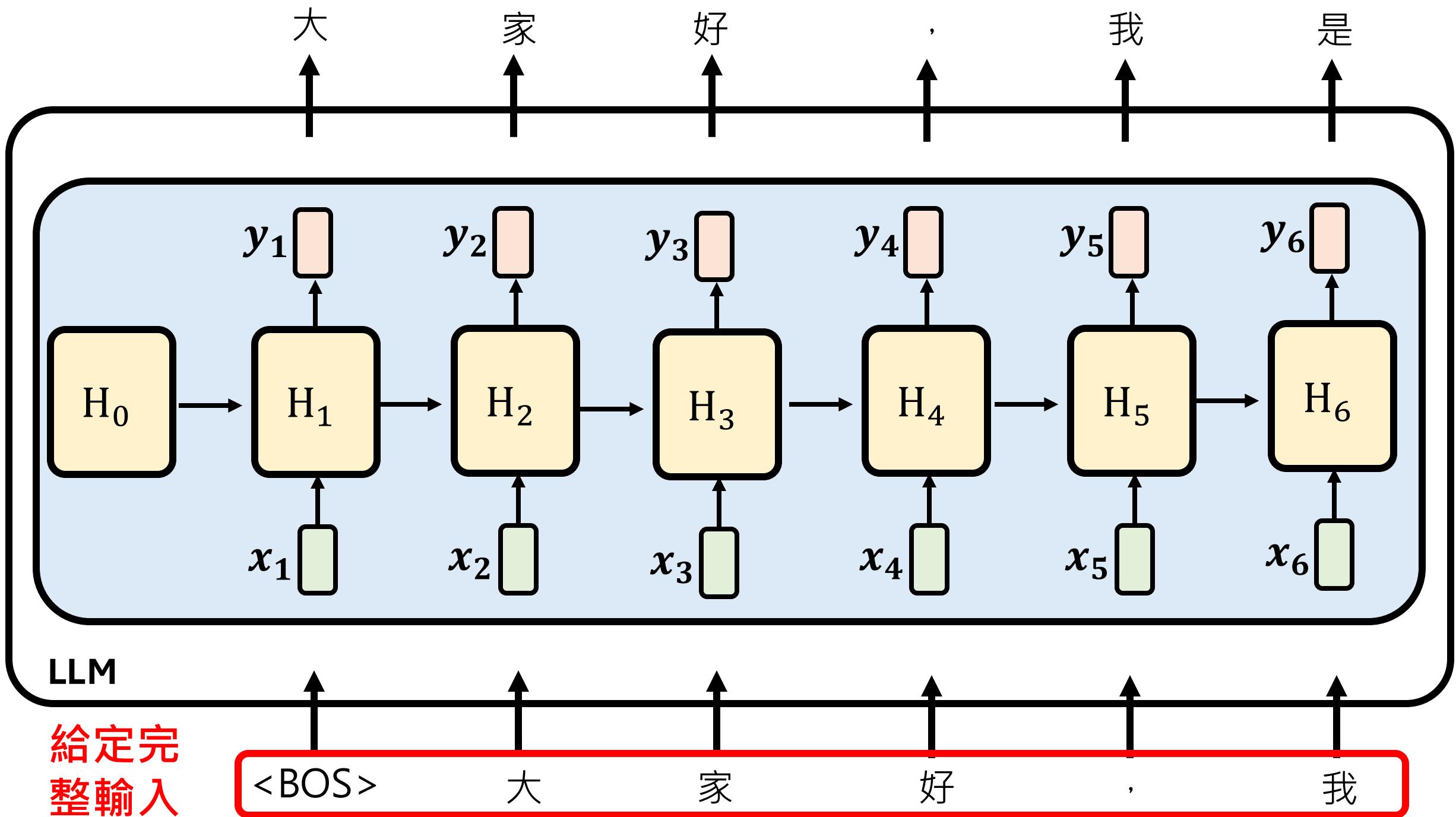
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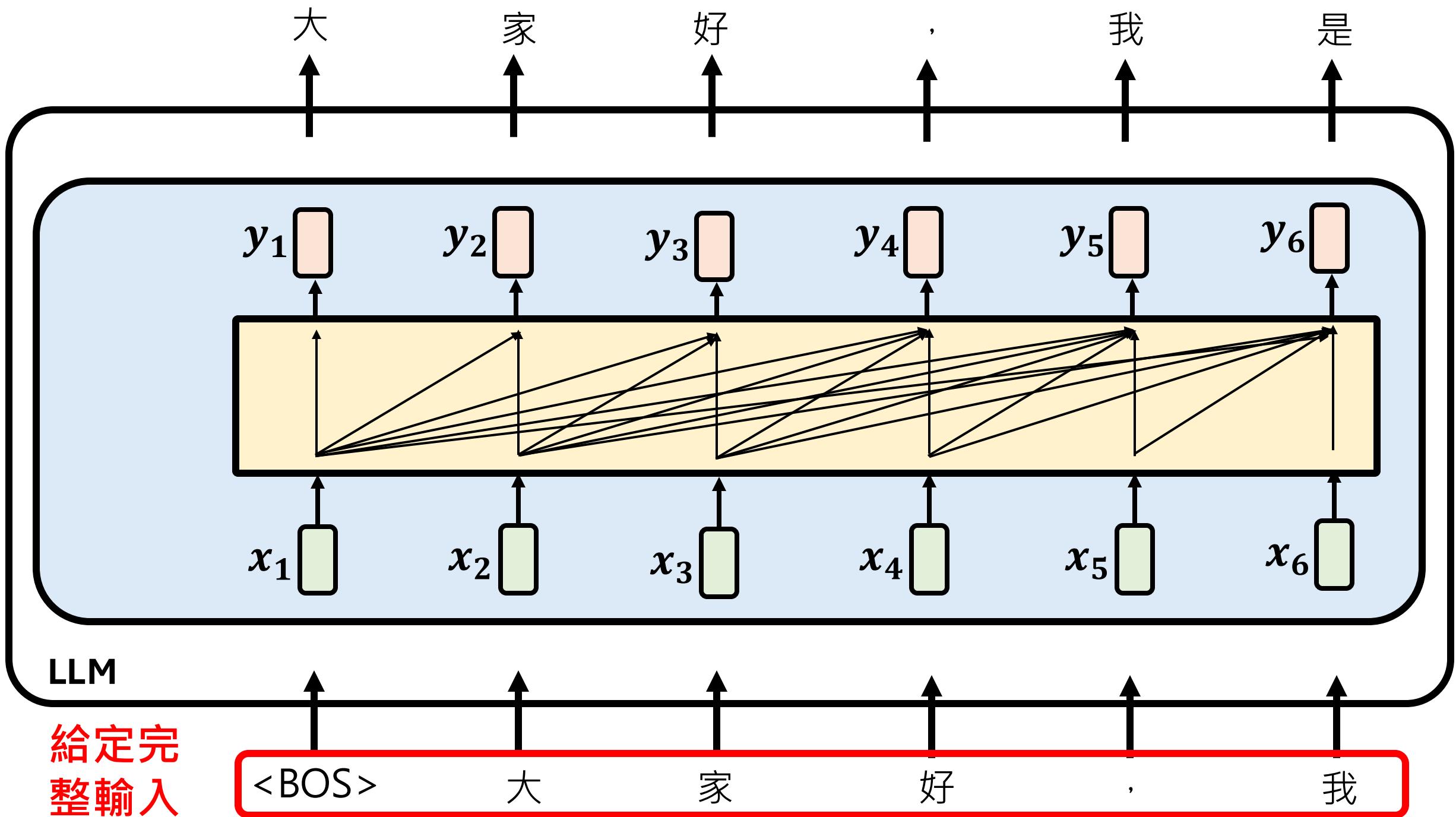


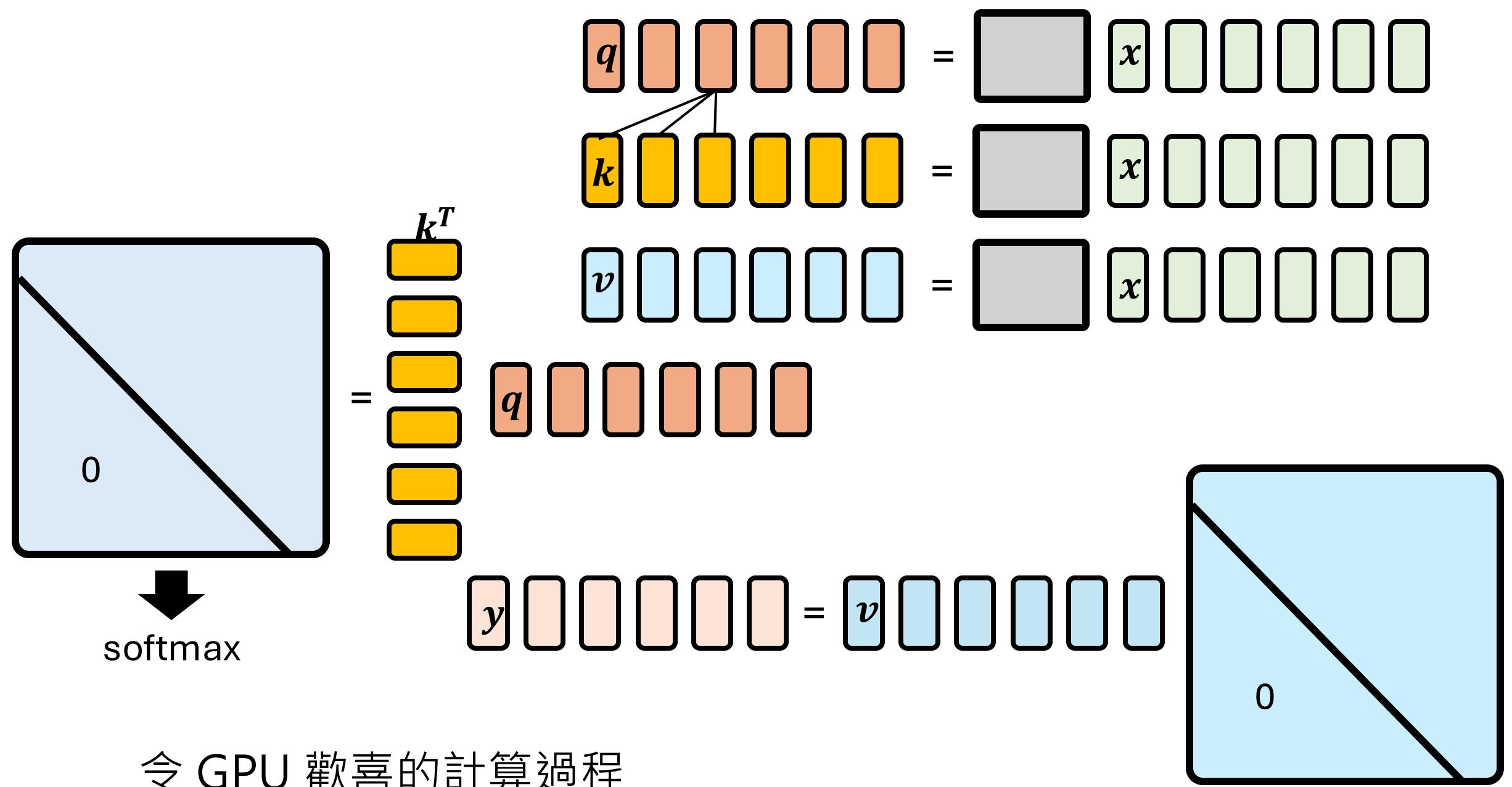
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RNN 有沒有訓練時平行的可能性

$$f_{A,1}(\mathbf{H}_0) = \mathbf{0}$$

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$$= \mathbf{v}_1 a_{t,1} + \mathbf{v}_2 a_{t,2} + \cdots + \mathbf{v}_t a_{t,t}$$

$$= a_{t,1} \mathbf{v}_1 + a_{t,2} \mathbf{v}_2 + \cdots + a_{t,t} \mathbf{v}_t$$

這不就是 Self-attention! (少了 softmax)

叫做 Linear Attention

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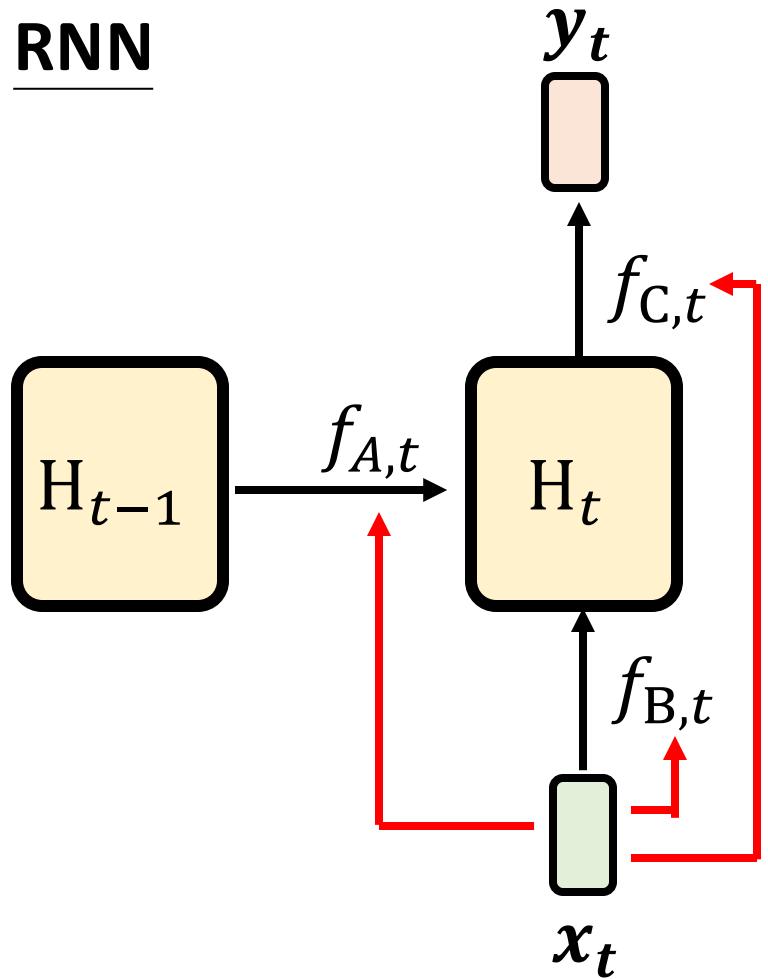
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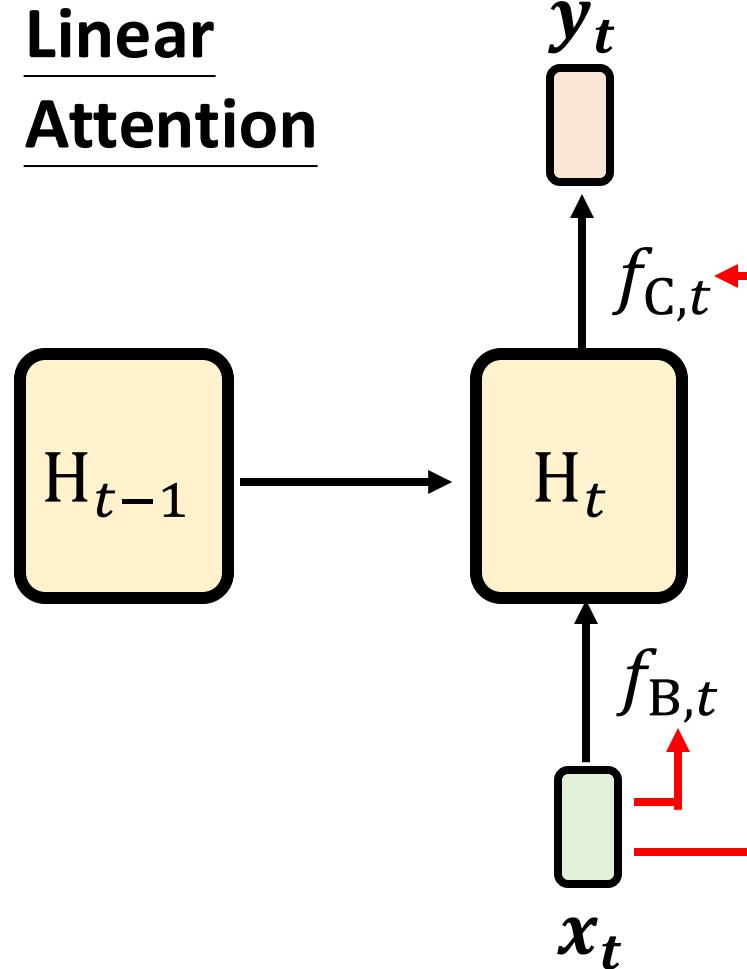
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$$\mathbf{q}_t = W_Q \mathbf{x}_t$$

RNN



Linear Attention



$$f_{C,t}(H_t) = H_t q_t$$

$$q_t = W_Q x_t$$

$$f_{B,t}(x_t) = v_t k_t^T$$

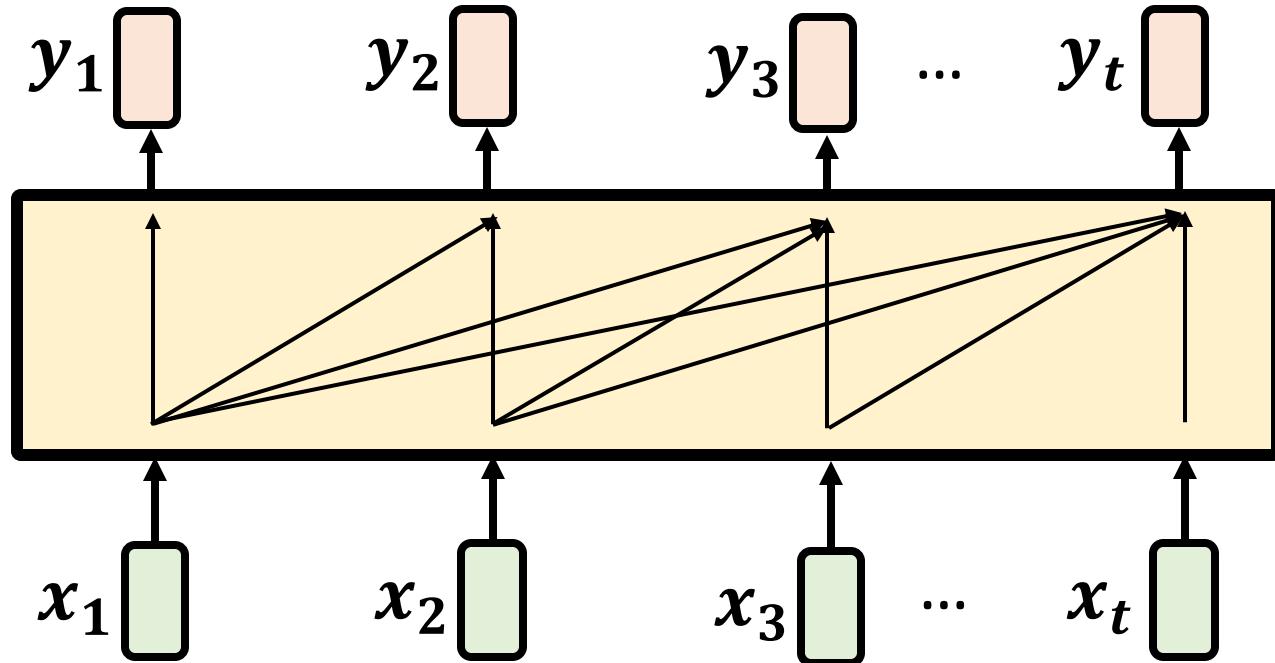
$$v_t = W_v x_t$$

$$k_t = W_k x_t$$

- Linear Attention 就是沒有 “Reflection” $f_{A,t}$ 的 RNN
- RNN 就是 Linear Attention 加上 “Reflection” $f_{A,t}$

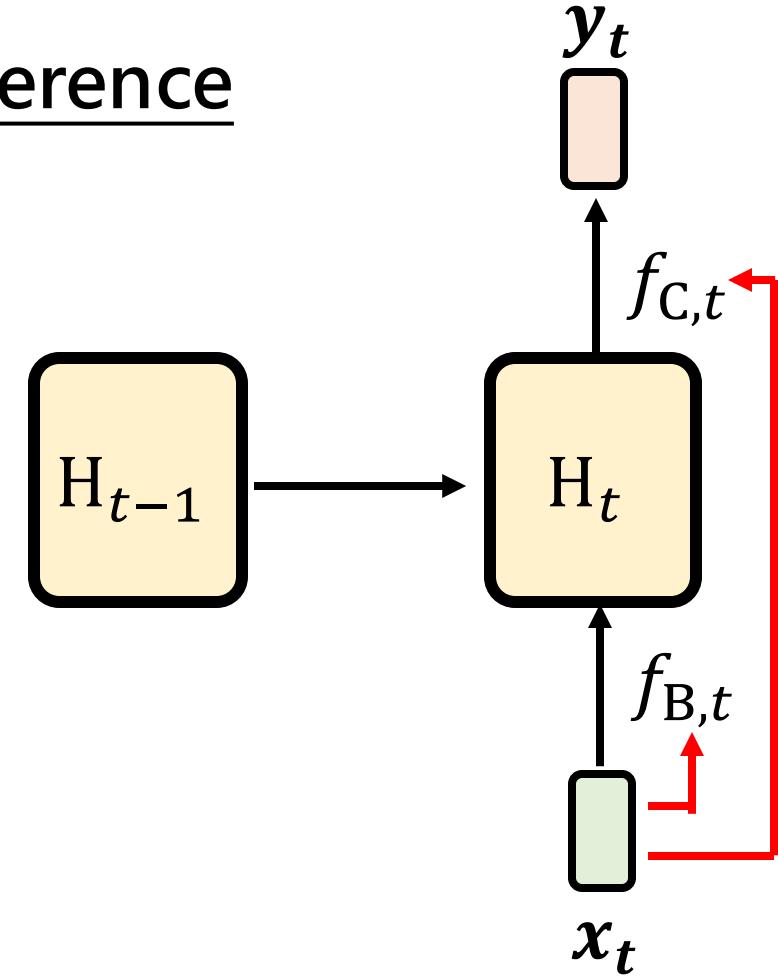
Linear Attention

Training

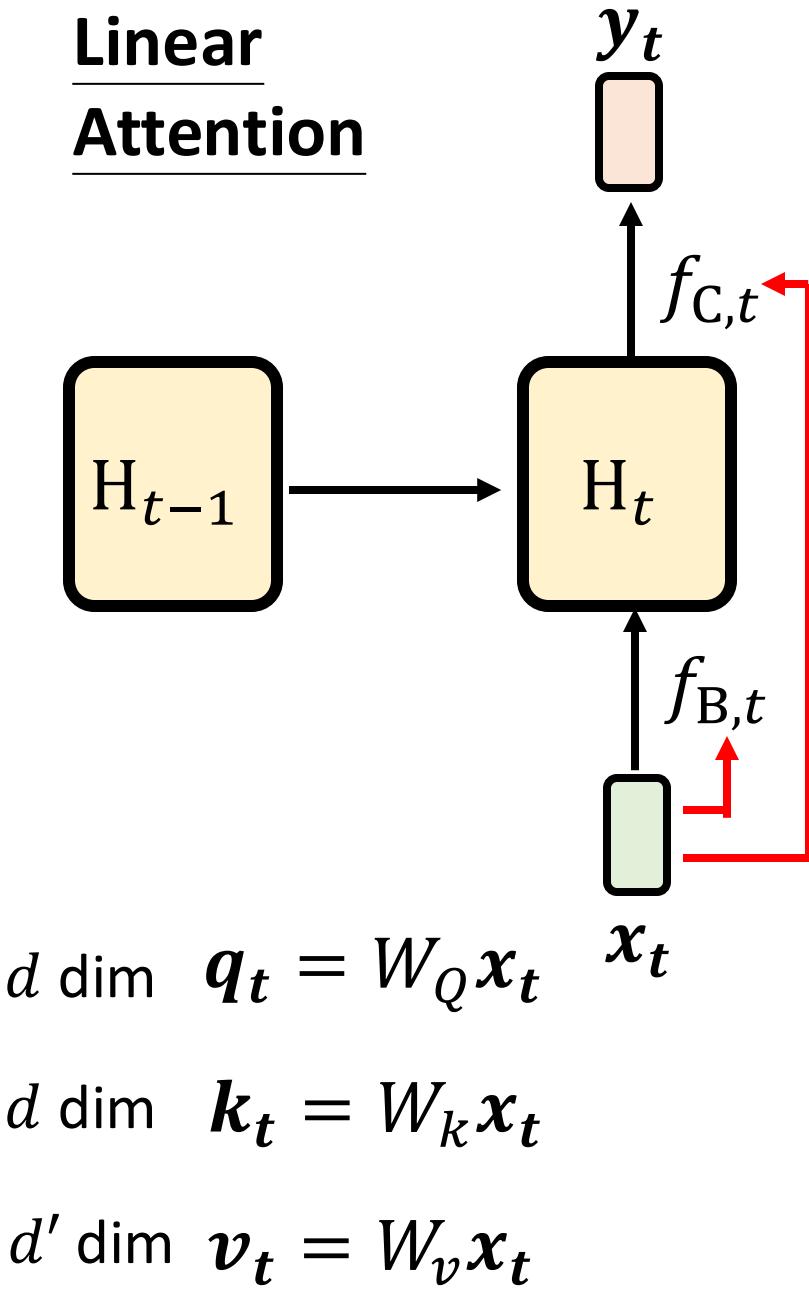


Training 的時候像 Self-attention
Inference 的時候像 RNN

Inference



Linear Attention

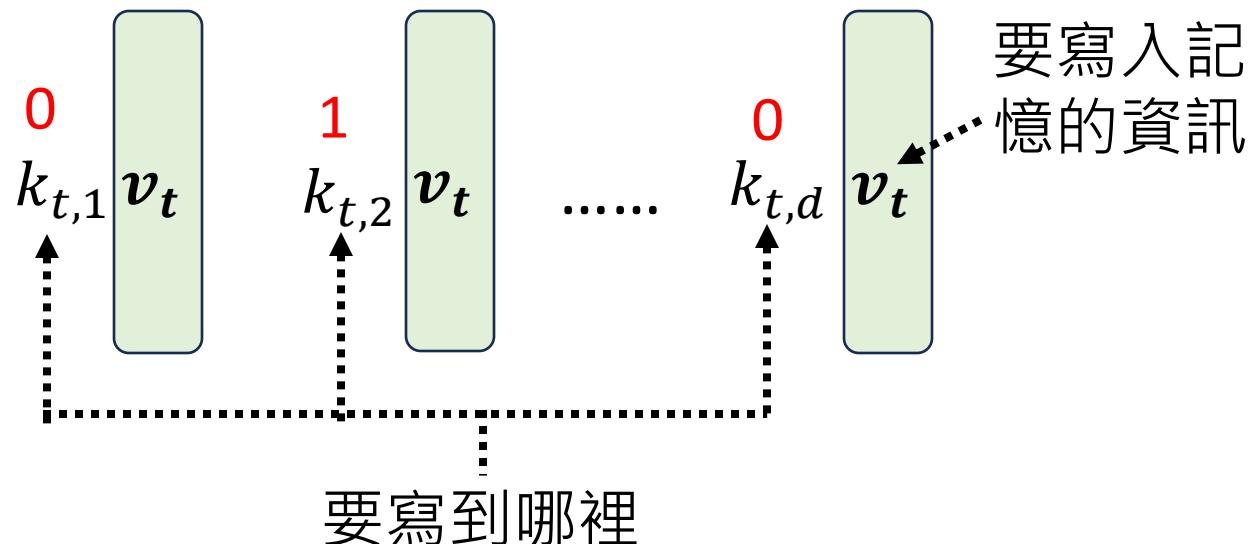


$$H_t = H_{t-1} + f_{B,t}(x_t) \quad f_{B,t}(x_t) = v_t k_t^T$$

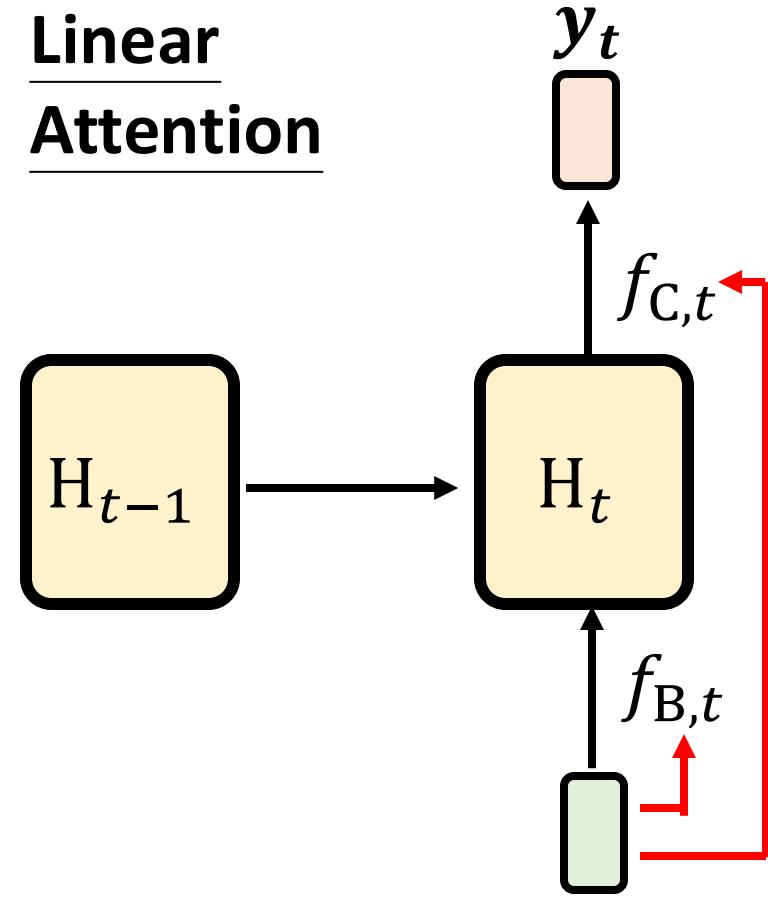
$$y_t = f_{C,t}(H_t) \quad f_{C,t}(H_t) = H_t q_t$$

$$H_t = H_{t-1} + d' v_t k_t^T$$

把 v_t 寫入 H 的 2nd column



Linear Attention



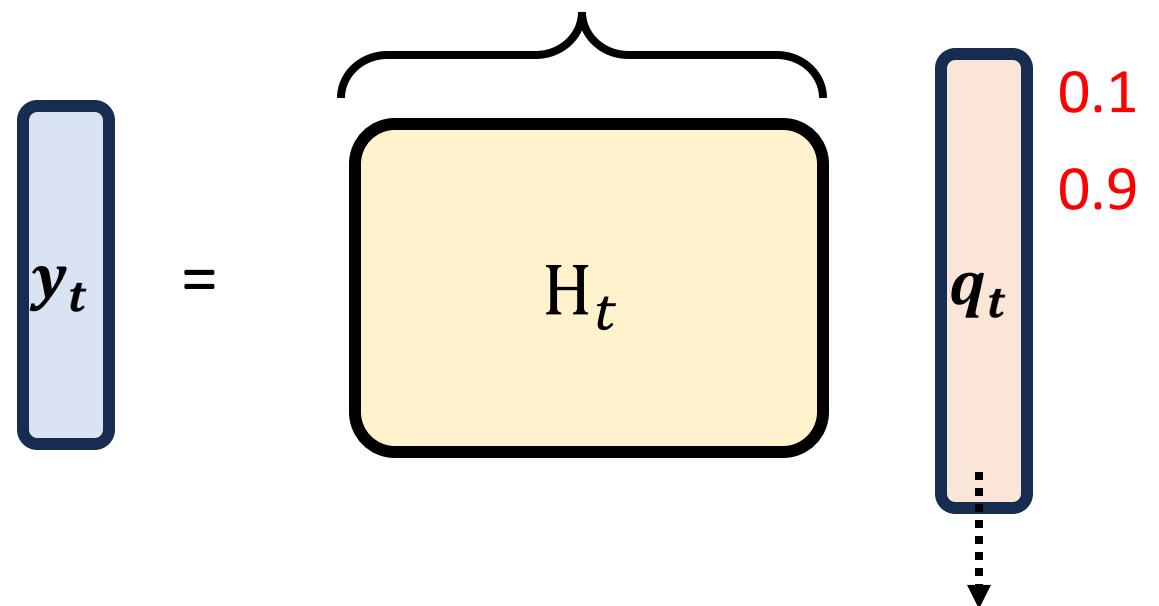
$$d \text{ dim } q_t = W_Q x_t$$

$$d \text{ dim } k_t = W_k x_t$$

$$d' \text{ dim } v_t = W_v x_t$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_t &= H_{t-1} + f_{B,t}(x_t) & f_{B,t}(x_t) &= v_t k_t^T \\ y_t &= f_{C,t}(H_t) & f_{C,t}(H_t) &= H_t q_t \end{aligned}$$

不同資訊存不同 Column



從哪一個 column 取多少資訊

這不是甚麼新想法

Transformers are RNNs: Fast Autoregressive
Transformers with Linear Attention

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.16236>

Linear Attention 的變形可
以近似 Softmax

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各式各樣的 Attention

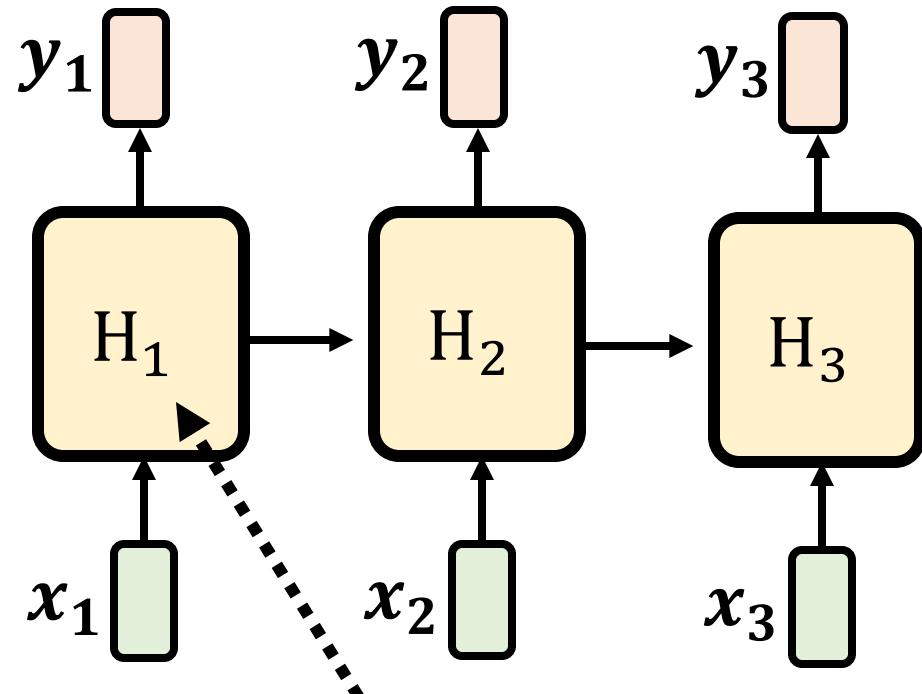
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(Self-attention) 變型

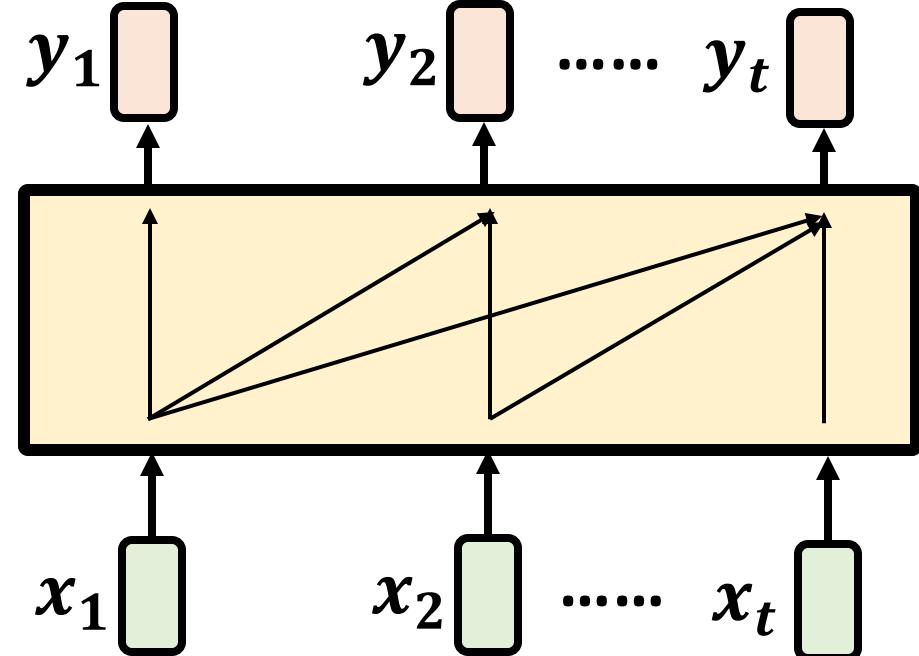
RNN (Linear Attention) 嘴不過 Transformer (Self-attention with Softmax) ?

RNN (Linear Attention)



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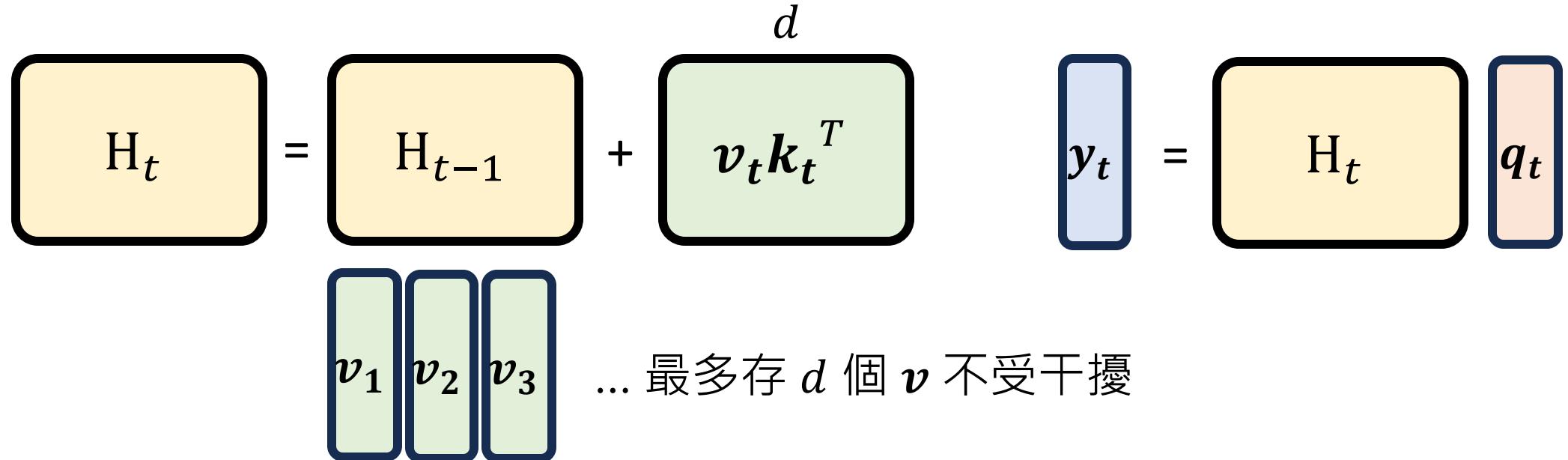
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RNN (Linear Attention)

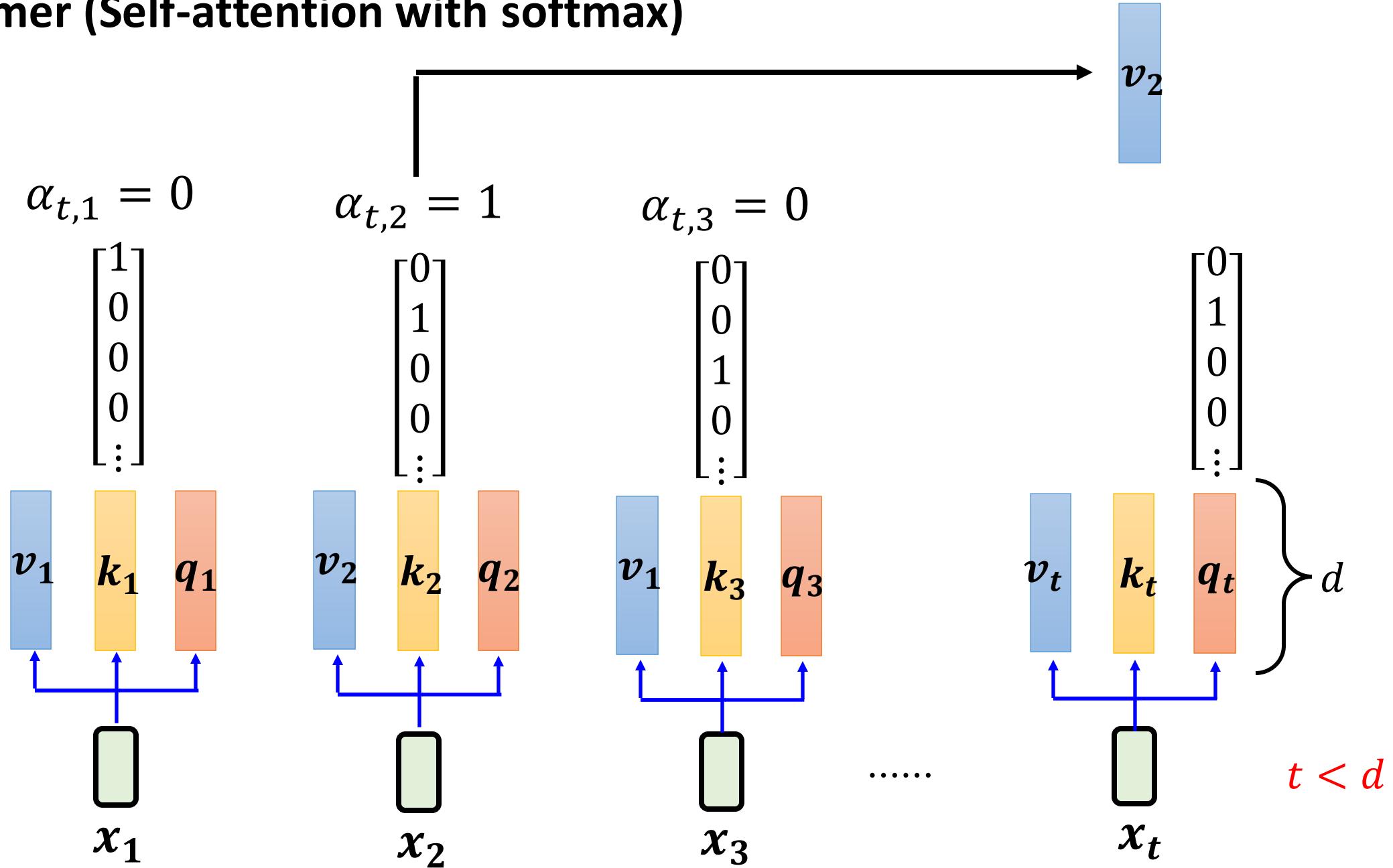


$$k_1^T = [1 \quad 0 \quad \dots]$$

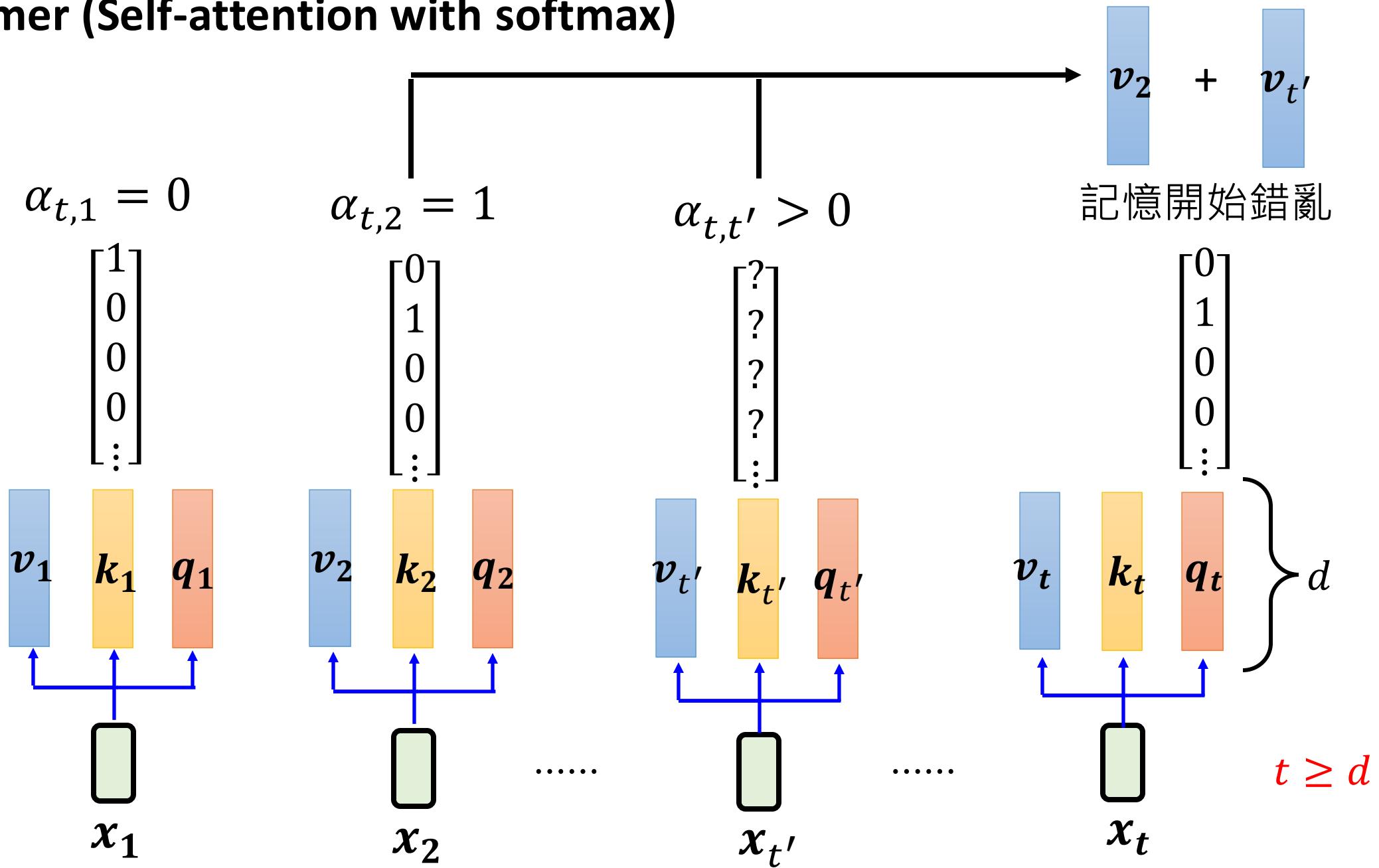
$$k_2^T = [0 \quad 1 \quad \dots]$$

$$k_3^T = [0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \dots]$$

Transformer (Self-attention with softmax)



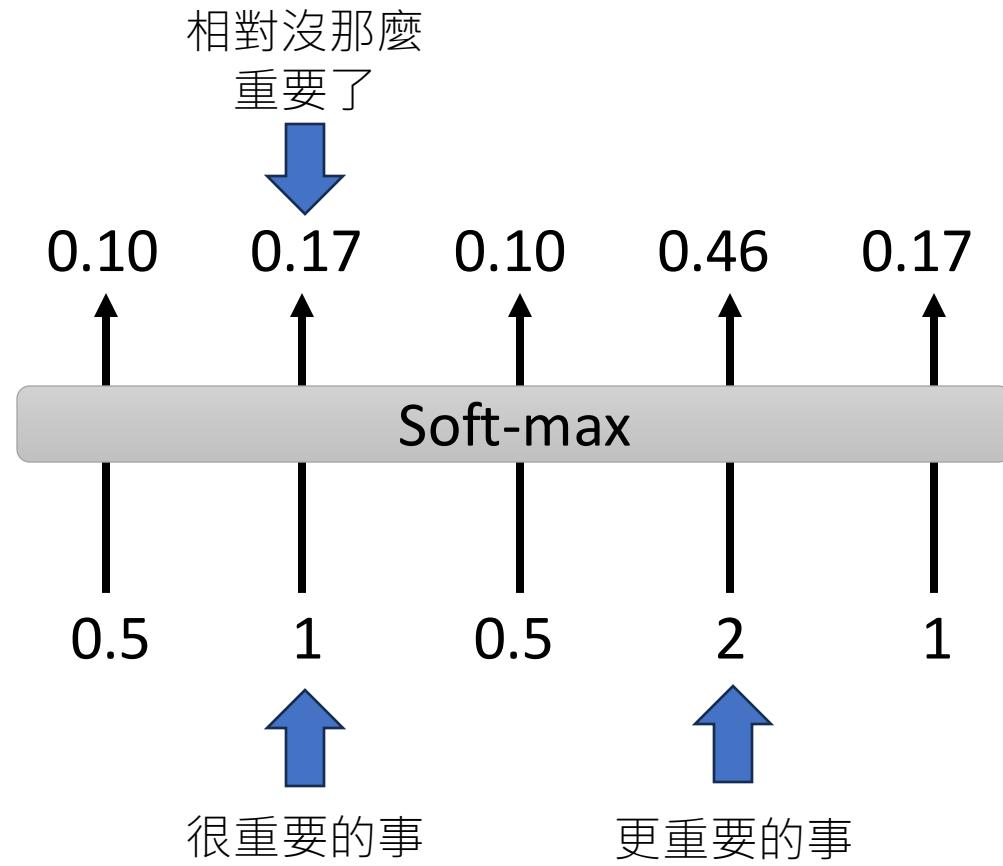
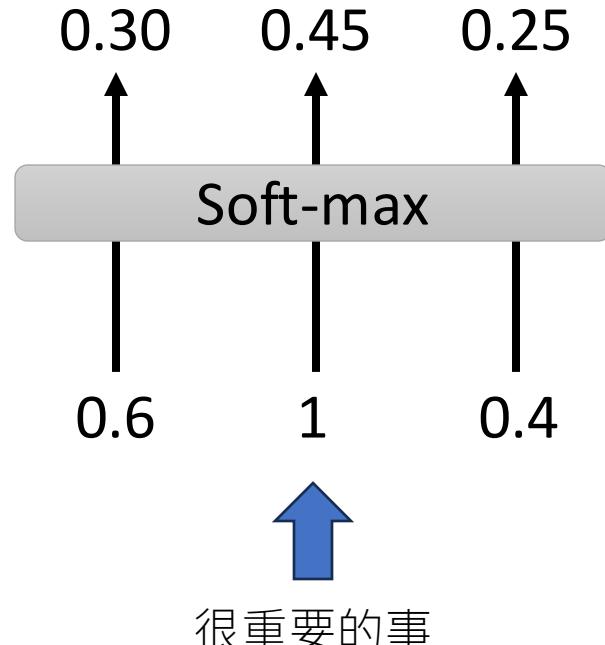
Transformer (Self-attention with softmax)



RNN (Linear Attention) 嬴不過 Transformer (Self-attention with Softmax) ?

$$H_t = H_{t-1} + f_{B,t}(x_t)$$

Linear Attention 永不遺忘



加上 Reflection: 逐漸遺忘

Linear Attention

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \mathbf{H}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{H}_t \mathbf{q}_t$$

$$\mathbf{v}_t = W_v \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{k}_t = W_k \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{q}_t = W_Q \mathbf{x}_t$$

Retention Network (RetNet)

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \gamma \mathbf{H}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{H}_t \mathbf{q}_t$$

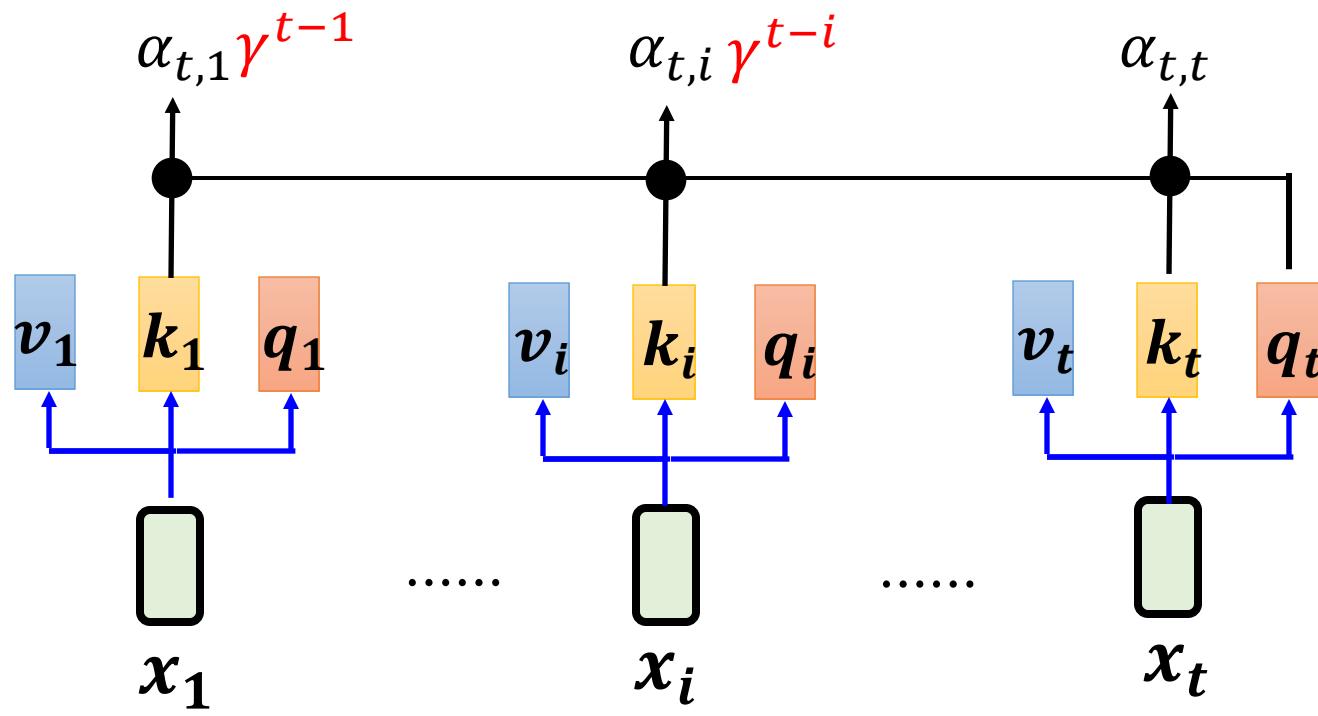
$$\mathbf{v}_t = W_v \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{k}_t = W_k \mathbf{x}_t$$

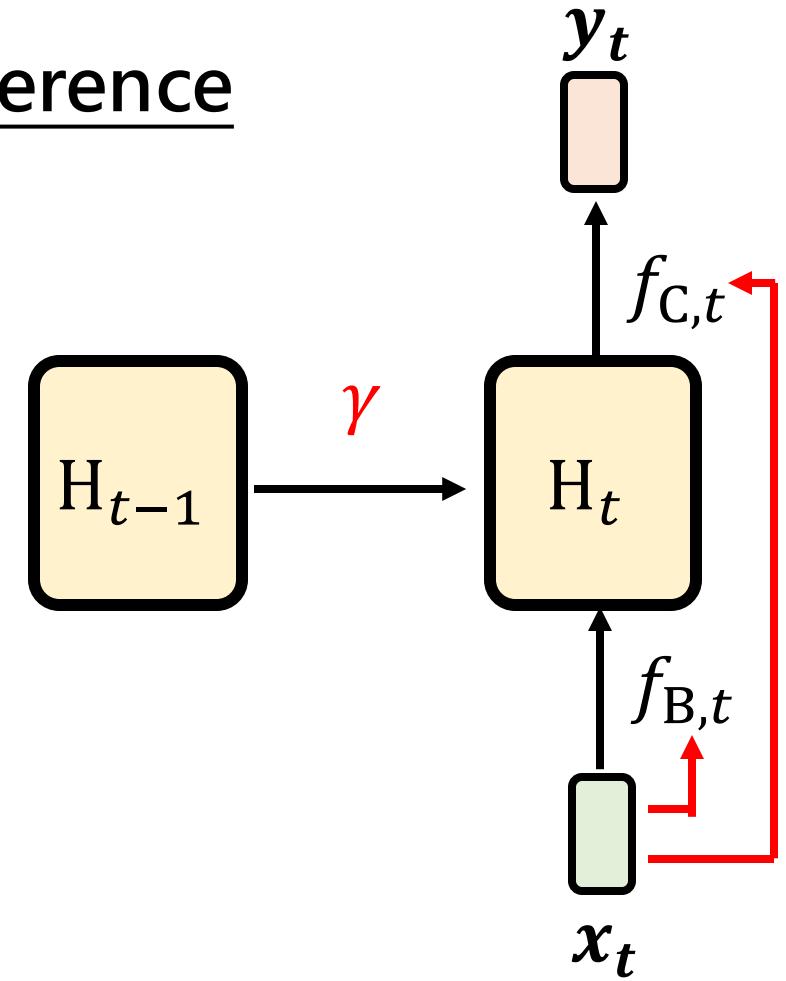
$$\mathbf{q}_t = W_Q \mathbf{x}_t$$

加上 Reflection: 逐漸遺忘

Training



Inference



加上 Reflection: 根據情況遺忘

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.05254>

Retention Network (RetNet)

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \gamma \mathbf{H}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{H}_t \mathbf{q}_t$$

$$\mathbf{v}_t = W_v \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{k}_t = W_k \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{q}_t = W_Q \mathbf{x}_t$$

Gated Retention

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \gamma_t \mathbf{H}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_t = \mathbf{H}_t \mathbf{q}_t$$

$$\mathbf{v}_t = W_v \mathbf{x}_t$$

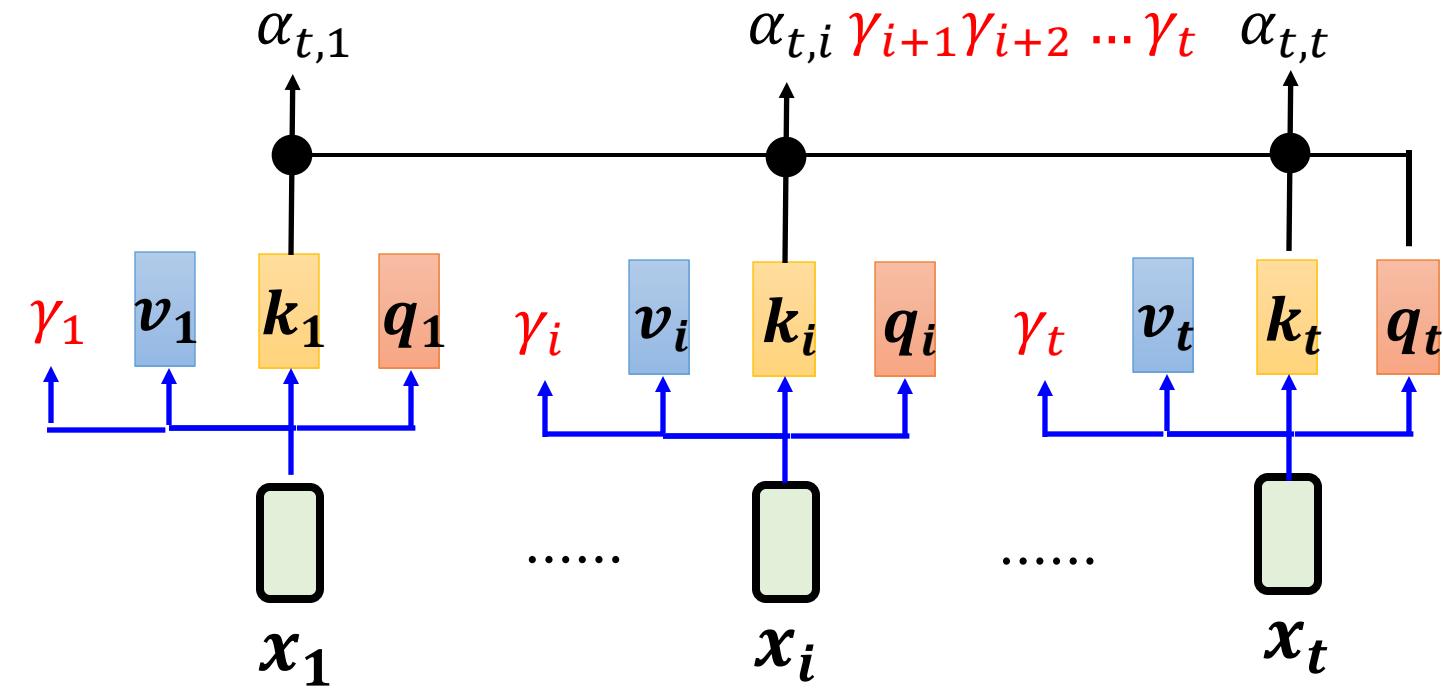
$$\mathbf{k}_t = W_k \mathbf{x}_t$$

$$\mathbf{q}_t = W_Q \mathbf{x}_t$$

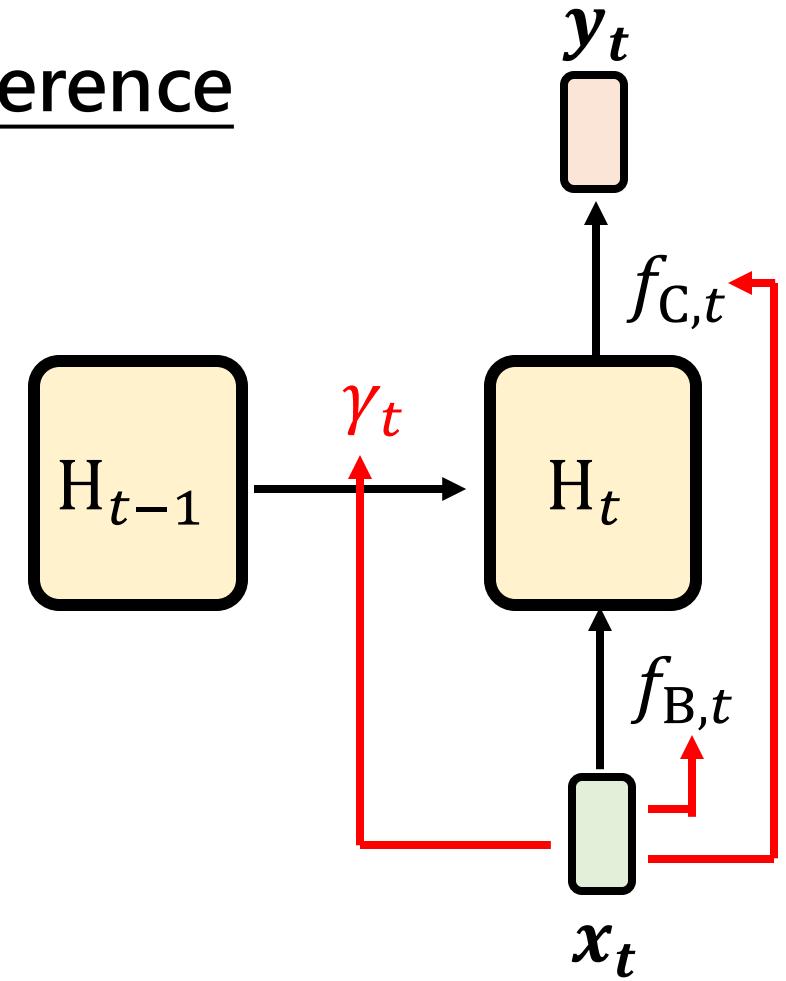
$$\gamma_t = \text{sigmoid}(W_\gamma \mathbf{x}_t)$$

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對 Reflection 做一點限制

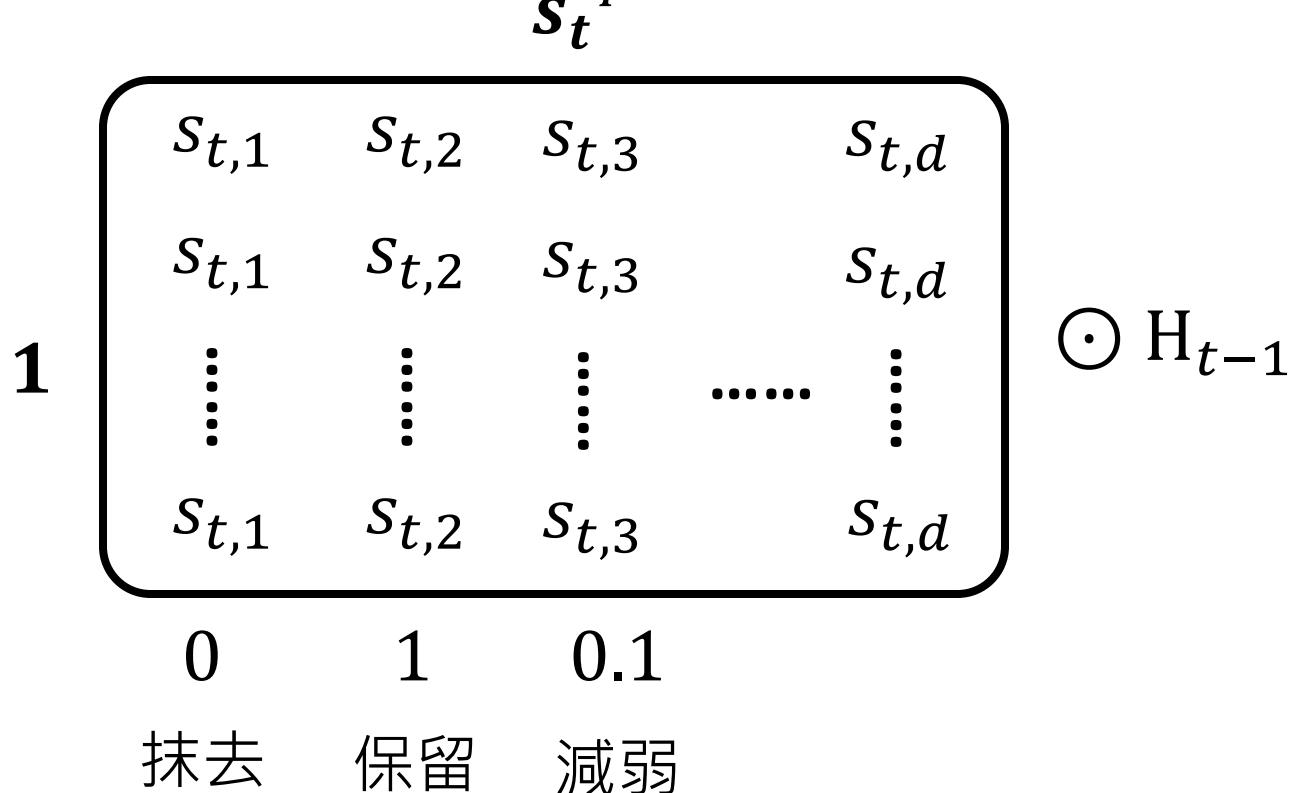
$$\mathbf{s}_t^T = [0 \quad 1 \quad 0.1 \dots \dots]$$

$$\mathbf{H}_t = \mathcal{G}_t \odot \mathbf{H}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^T$$

$$\mathcal{G}_t = \mathbf{e}_t \mathbf{s}_t^T$$

$$\mathcal{G}_t = \mathbf{1} \mathbf{s}_t^T$$

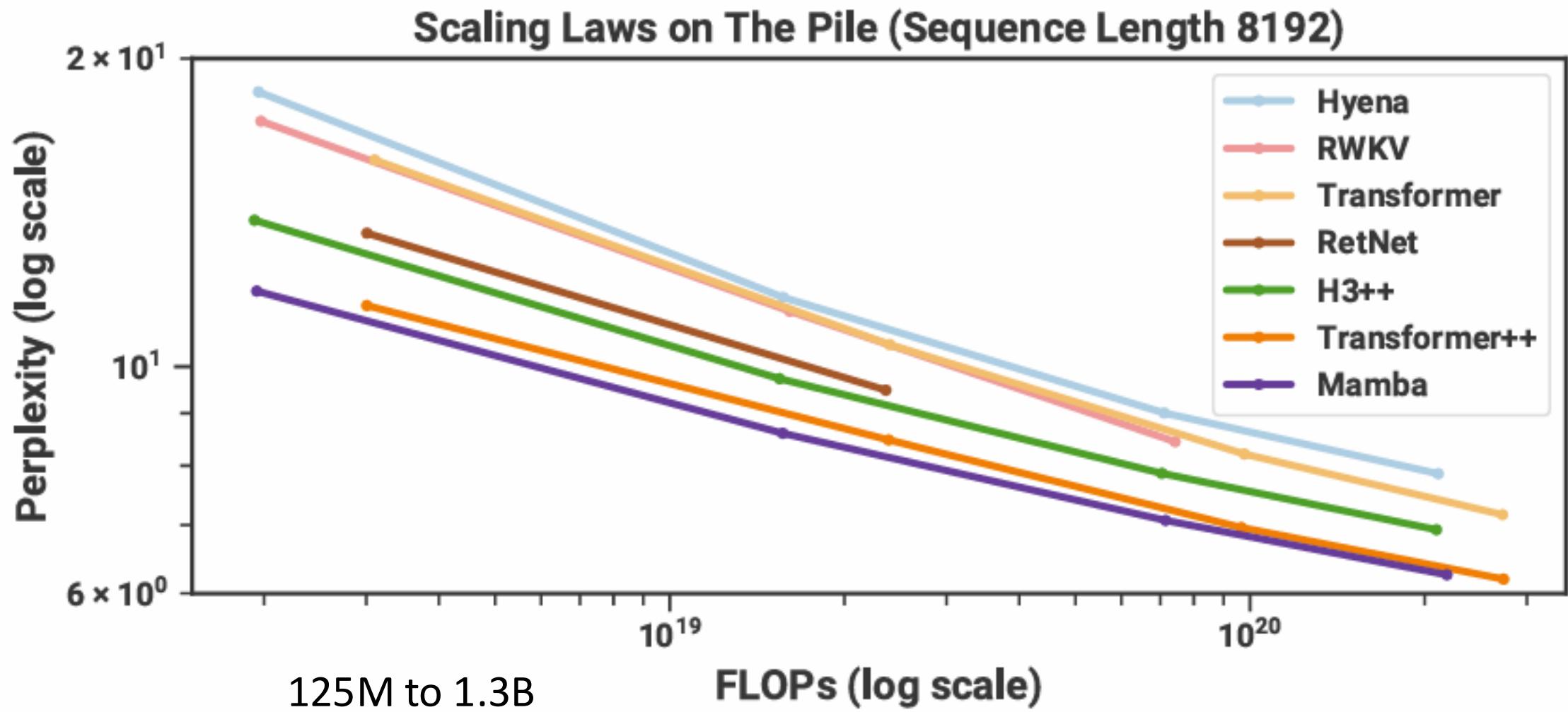
$$\mathbf{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



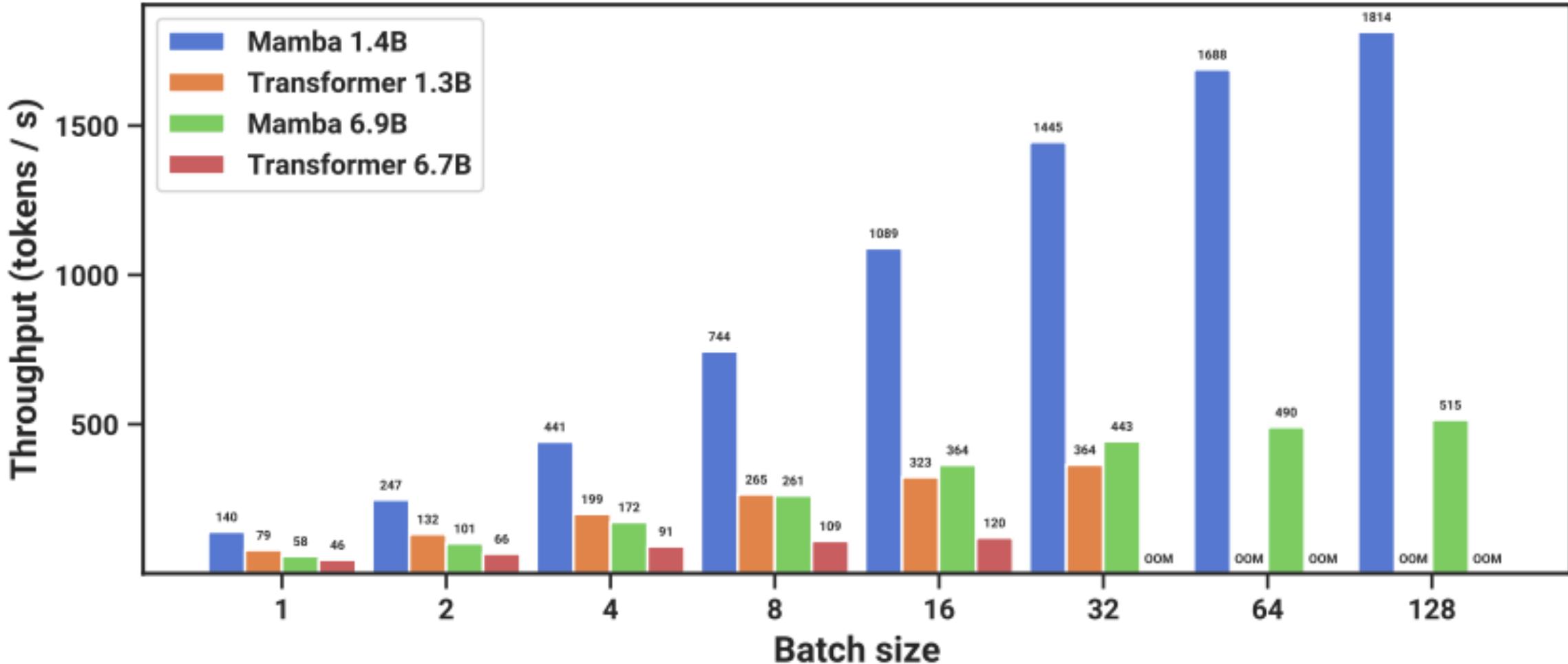
Model	Parameterization	Learnable parameters
Mamba (Gu & Dao, 2023)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \exp(-(\mathbf{1}^\top \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t) \odot \exp(\mathbf{A}))$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \text{softplus}(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2})$	$\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d_k \times d_v}$, $\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times \frac{d}{16}}$, $\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2} \in \mathbb{R}^{\frac{d}{16} \times d_v}$
Mamba-2 (Dao & Gu, 2024)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \gamma_t \mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\gamma_t = \exp(-\text{softplus}(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\gamma) \exp(a))$	$\mathbf{W}_\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$
mLSTM (Beck et al., 2024; Peng et al., 2021)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \gamma_t \mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\gamma_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\gamma)$	$\mathbf{W}_\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$
Gated Retention (Sun et al., 2024)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \gamma_t \mathbf{1}^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\gamma_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\gamma)^{\frac{1}{\tau}}$	$\mathbf{W}_\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 1}$
DFW (Mao, 2022; Pramanik et al., 2023)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}_t$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\alpha)$, $\boldsymbol{\beta}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\beta)$	$\mathbf{W}_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_k}$, $\mathbf{W}_\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_v}$
GateLoop (Katsch, 2023)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1}) \exp(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2} \mathbf{i})$	$\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_k}$, $\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_k}$
HGRN-2 (Qin et al., 2024b)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \gamma + (1 - \gamma) \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\alpha)$	$\mathbf{W}_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_k}$, $\gamma \in (0, 1)^{d_k}$
RWKV-6 (Peng et al., 2024)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \exp(-\exp(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_\alpha))$	$\mathbf{W}_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d_k}$
Gated Linear Attention (GLA)	$\mathbf{G}_t = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_t^\top \mathbf{1}$, $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_t = \sigma(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1} \mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2})^{\frac{1}{\tau}}$	$\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_1} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times 16}$, $\mathbf{W}_{\alpha_2} \in \mathbb{R}^{16 \times d_k}$

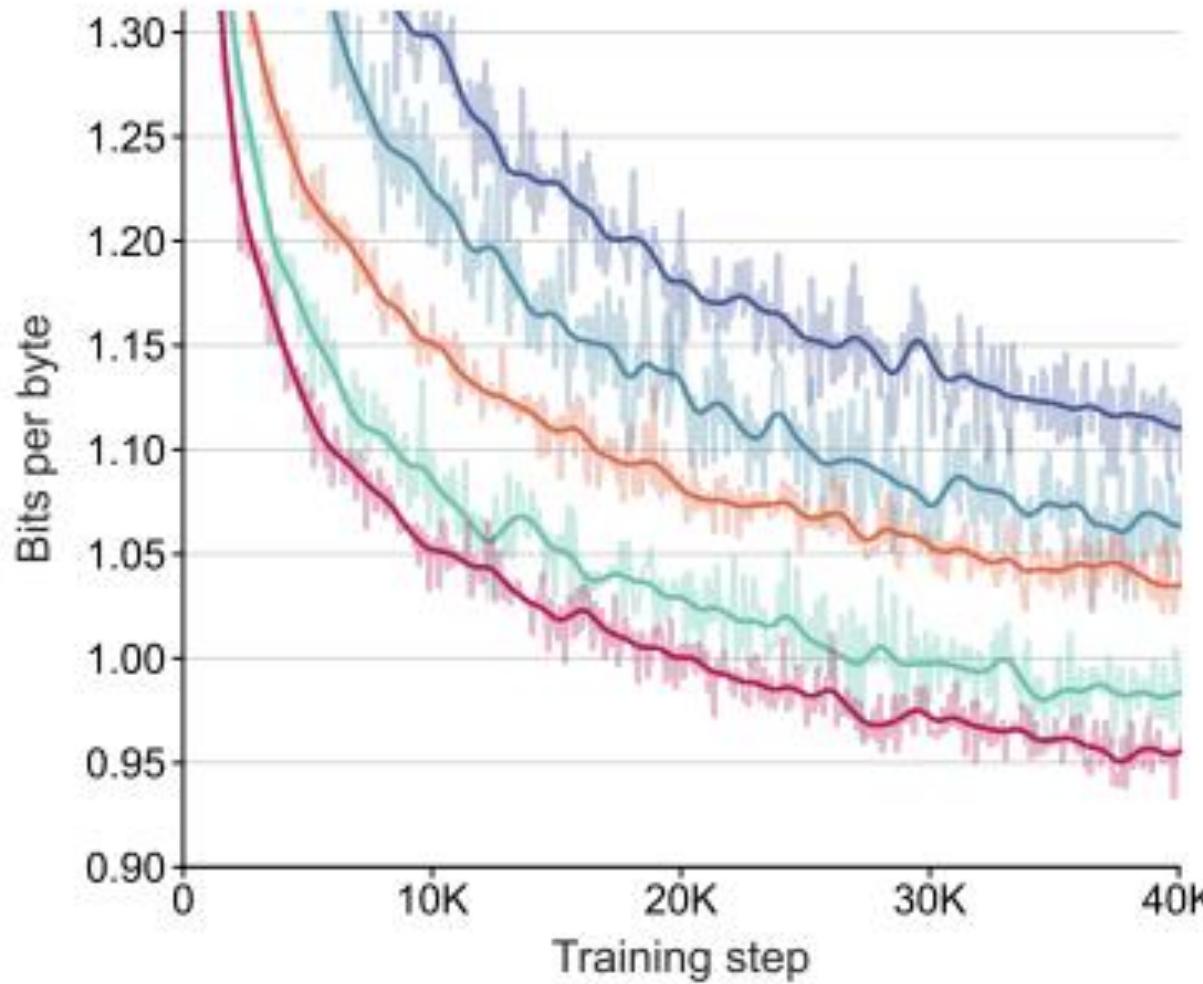
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Model	Recurrence	Memory read-out
Linear Attention [48, 47]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
+ Kernel	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \phi(\mathbf{k}_t)^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t \phi(q_t)$
+ Normalization	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \phi(\mathbf{k}_t)^\top, \ z_t = z_{t-1} + \phi(\mathbf{k}_t)$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t \phi(q_t) / (z_t^\top \phi(q_t))$
DeltaNet [101]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} (\mathbf{I} - \beta_t \mathbf{k}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top) + \beta_t \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
Gated RFA [81]	$\mathbf{S}_t = g_t \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + (1 - g_t) \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top, \ z_t = g_t z_{t-1} + (1 - g_t) \mathbf{k}_t$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t / (z_t^\top q_t)$
S4 [32, 106]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \odot \exp(-(\alpha \mathbf{1}^\top) \odot \exp(\mathbf{A})) + \mathbf{B} \odot (\mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{1}^\top)$	$o_t = (\mathbf{S}_t \odot \mathbf{C}) \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{v}_t$
ABC [82]	$\mathbf{S}_t^k = \mathbf{S}_{t-1}^k + \mathbf{k}_t \phi_t^\top, \ \mathbf{S}_t^v = \mathbf{S}_{t-1}^v + \mathbf{v}_t \phi_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t^v \text{ softmax}(\mathbf{S}_t^k q_t)$
DFW [63]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \odot (\beta_t \alpha_t^\top) + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
RetNet [108]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \gamma \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
Mamba [31]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \odot \exp(-(\alpha_t \mathbf{1}^\top) \odot \exp(\mathbf{A})) + (\alpha_t \odot \mathbf{v}_t) \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t + \mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{v}_t$
GLA [124]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \odot (\mathbf{1} \alpha_t^\top) + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \text{Diag}(\alpha_t) + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
RWKV-6 [79]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \text{Diag}(\alpha_t) + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = (\mathbf{S}_{t-1} + (\mathbf{d} \odot \mathbf{v}_t) \mathbf{k}_t^\top) q_t$
HGRN-2 [92]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \text{Diag}(\alpha_t) + \mathbf{v}_t (\mathbf{1} - \alpha_t)^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
mLSTM [9]	$\mathbf{S}_t = f_t \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + i_t \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top, \ z_t = f_t z_{t-1} + i_t \mathbf{k}_t$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t / \max\{1, z_t^\top q_t \}$
Mamba-2 [19]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \gamma_t \mathbf{S}_{t-1} + \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$
GSA [131]	$\mathbf{S}_t^k = \mathbf{S}_{t-1}^k \text{Diag}(\alpha_t) + \mathbf{k}_t \phi_t^\top, \ \mathbf{S}_t^v = \mathbf{S}_{t-1}^v \text{Diag}(\alpha_t) + \mathbf{v}_t \phi_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t^v \text{ softmax}(\mathbf{S}_t^k q_t)$
Gated DeltaNet [125]	$\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t-1} \left(\alpha_t (\mathbf{I} - \beta_t \mathbf{k}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top) \right) + \beta_t \mathbf{v}_t \mathbf{k}_t^\top$	$o_t = \mathbf{S}_t q_t$



Inference throughput on A100 80GB (prompt length 2048)





— MegaByte-193M+177M (patch: 4)
— MegaByte-193M+177M (patch: 8)

— Gated-S4D-368M
— MambaByte-353M

— Transformer-361M

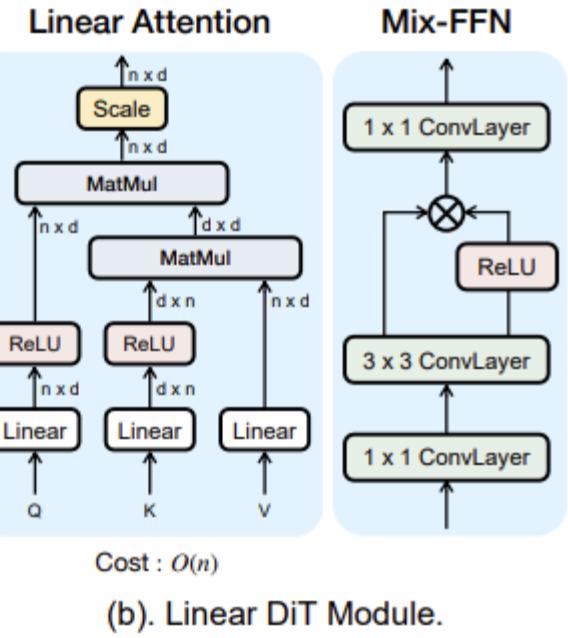
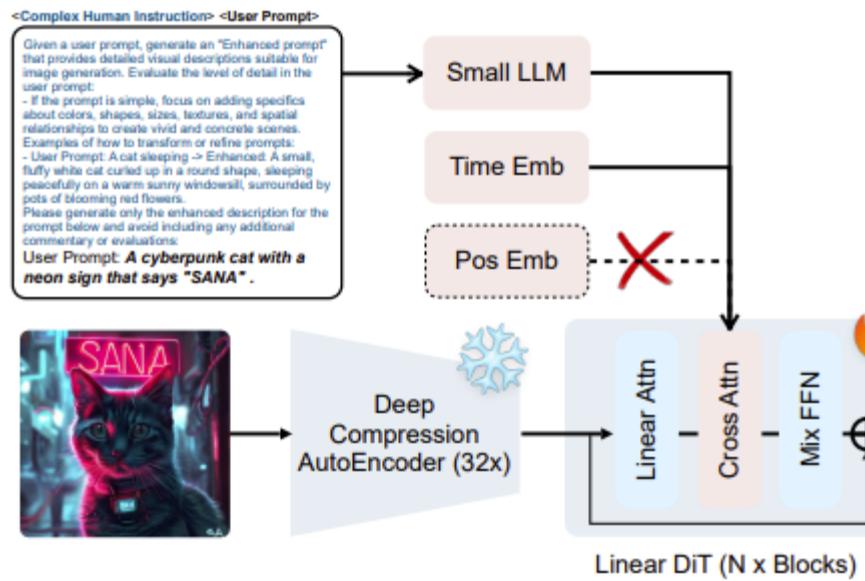
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Mistral 7B	Language	Mistral AI & NVIDIA	7B	3
Jamba	Language	AI21 Lab	12B/52B	4
Vision Mamba	Vision	Huazhong University of Science and Technology	7M-98M	5
VideoMamba	Video	OpenGVLab, Shanghai AI Laboratory	28M-392M	6
Codestral Mamba	Code	Mistral AI	7B, 22B	7

1. <https://github.com/state-spaces/mamba>
2. <https://huggingface.co/tiiuae/falcon-mamba-7b>
3. <https://huggingface.co/mistralai/Mistral-7B-v0.1>
4. <https://huggingface.co/ai21labs/Jamba-v0.1>
5. <https://huggingface.co/hustvl/Vim-base-midclstok>
6. <https://huggingface.co/OpenGVLab/VideoMamba>
7. <https://mistral.ai/news/codestratal-mamba/>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.01129>

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(a). Architecture overview of our Sana.

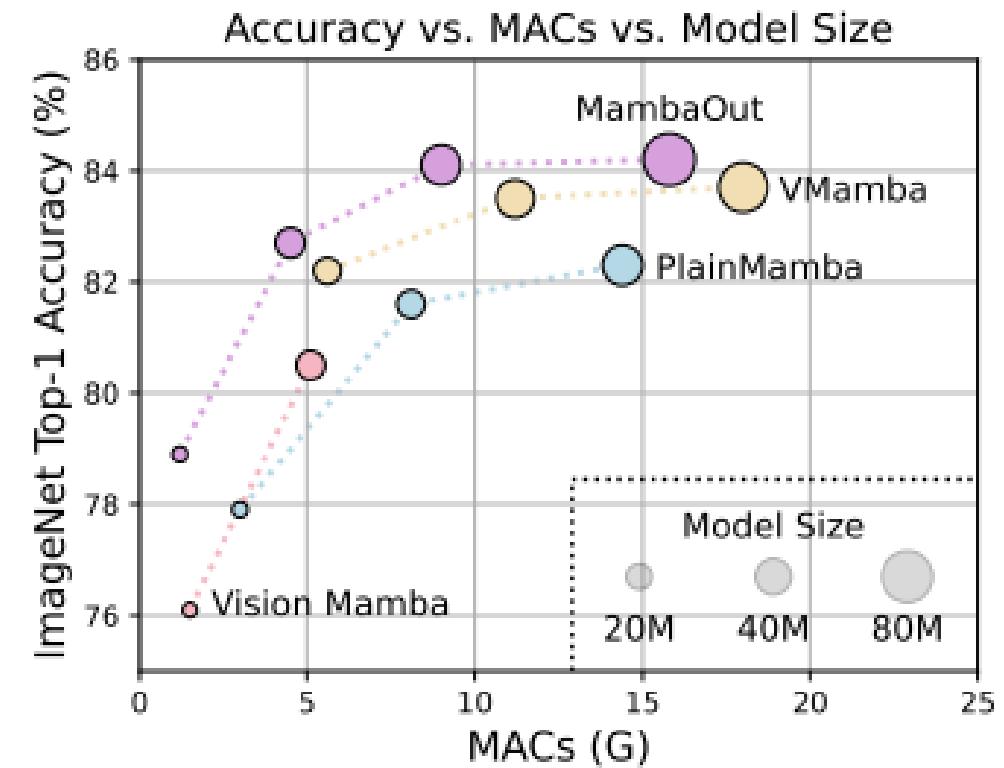
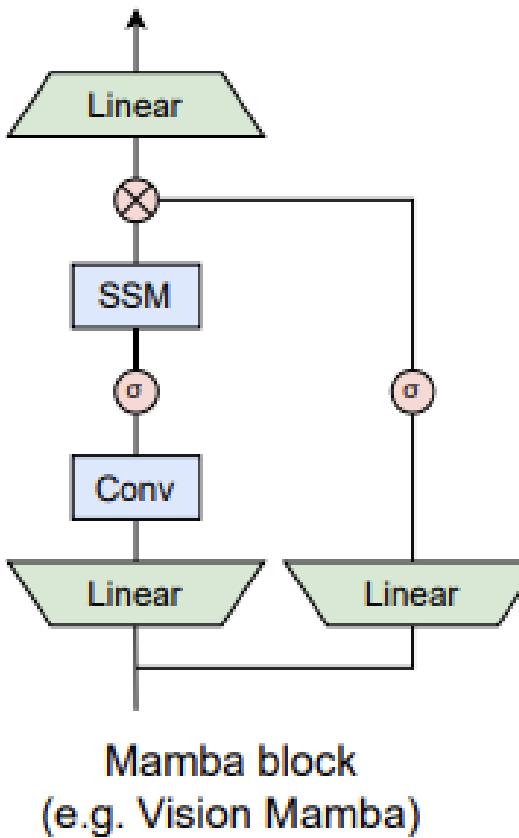
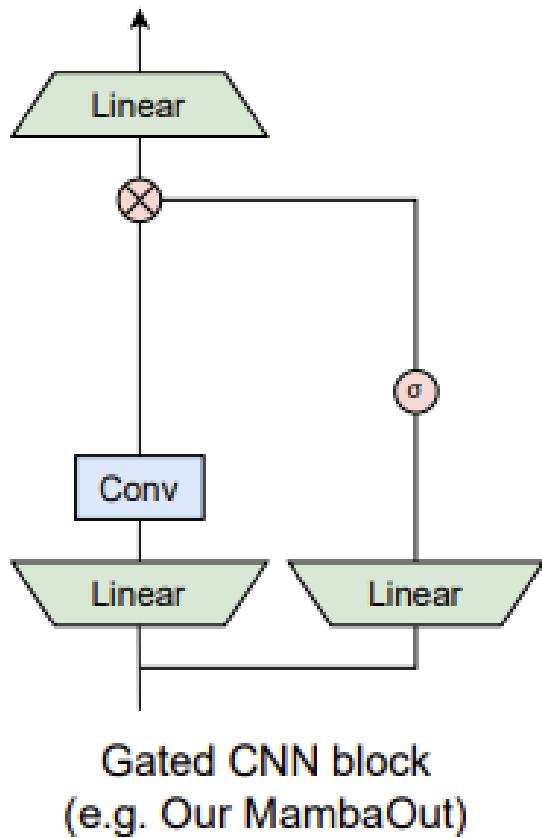
(b). Linear DiT Module.

MambaOut: Do We Really Need Mamba for Vision?

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2405.07992>

In memory of Kobe Bryant

“What can I say, Mamba out.” — Kobe Bryant’s NBA farewell speech in 2016.



Do not train from scratch

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<https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.15237>
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<https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.10189>
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