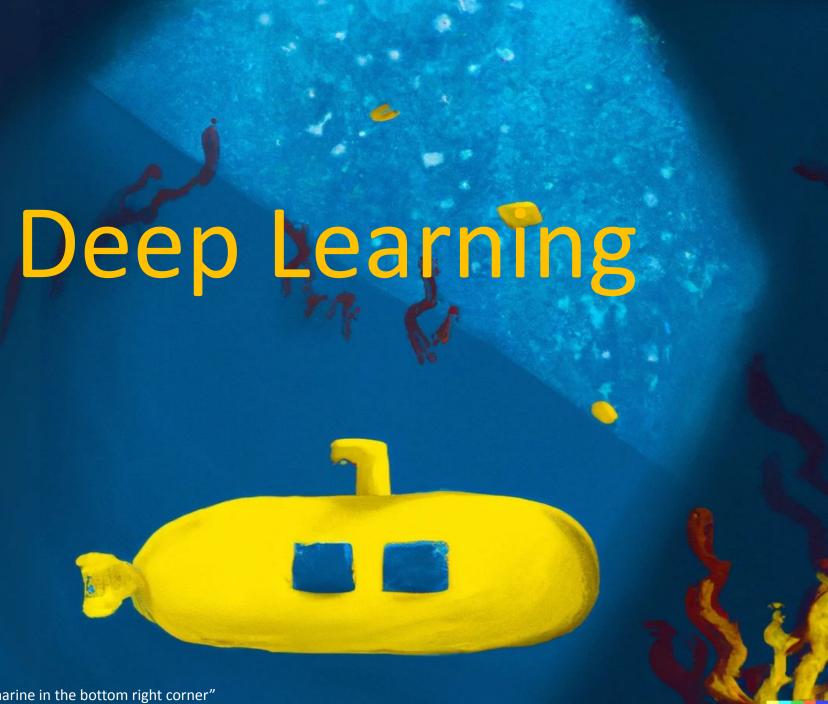
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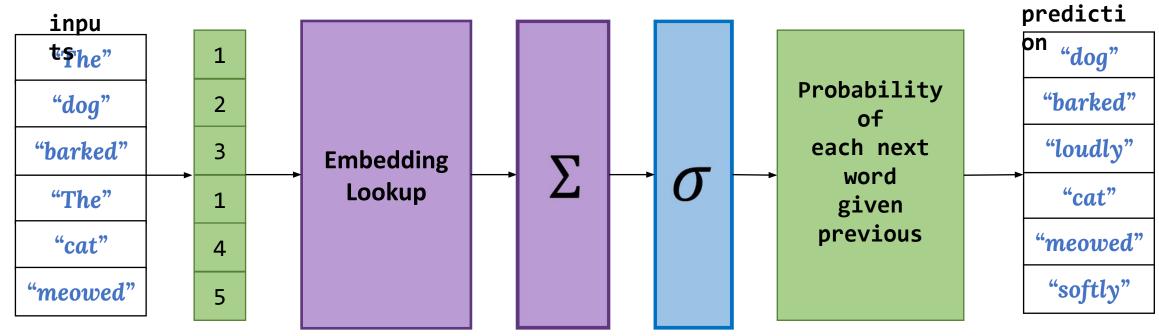
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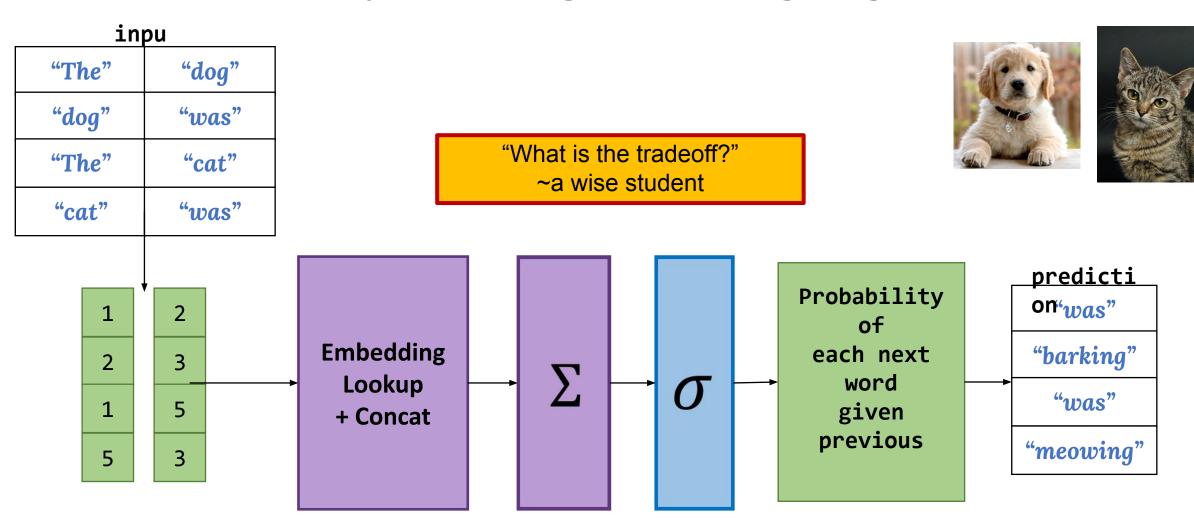
## Review: Bigram Language Model Architecture







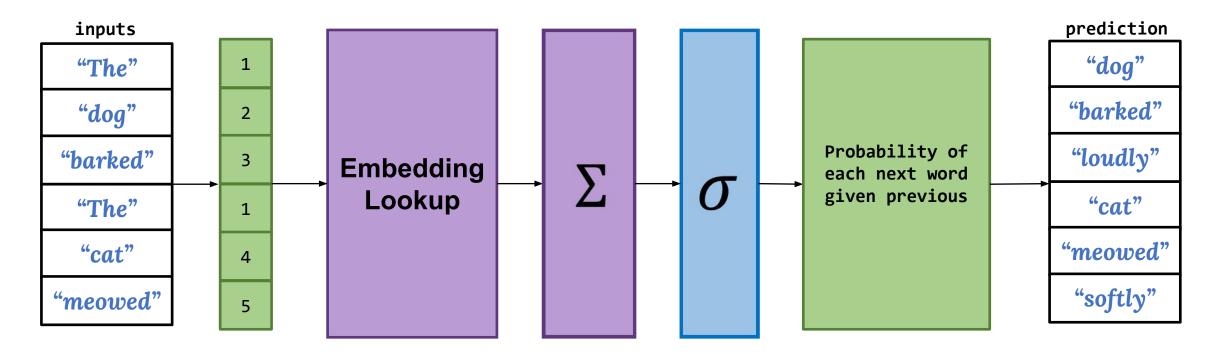
## Review: Complete Trigram Language Model



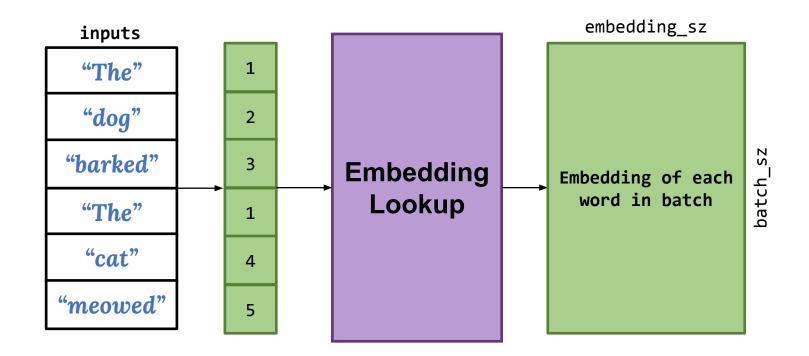
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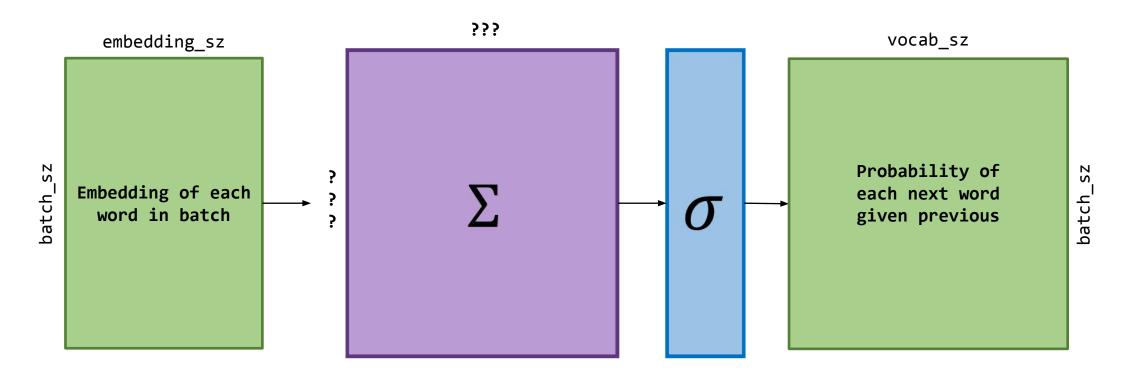


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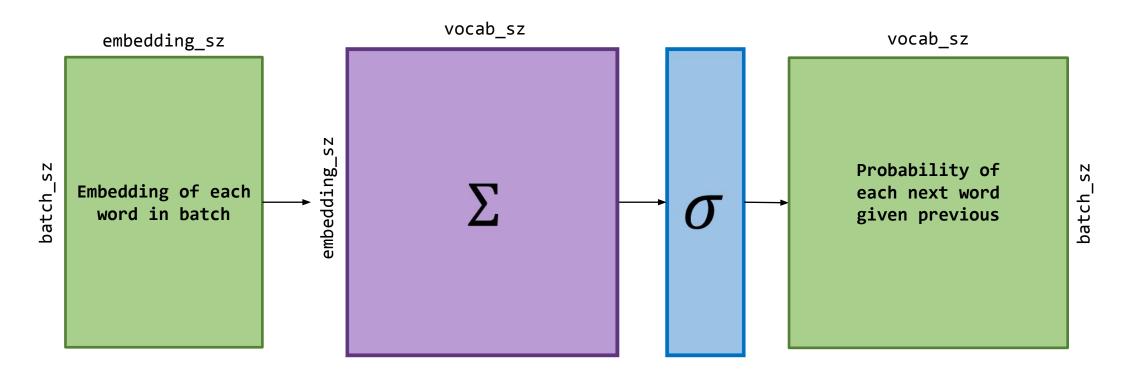
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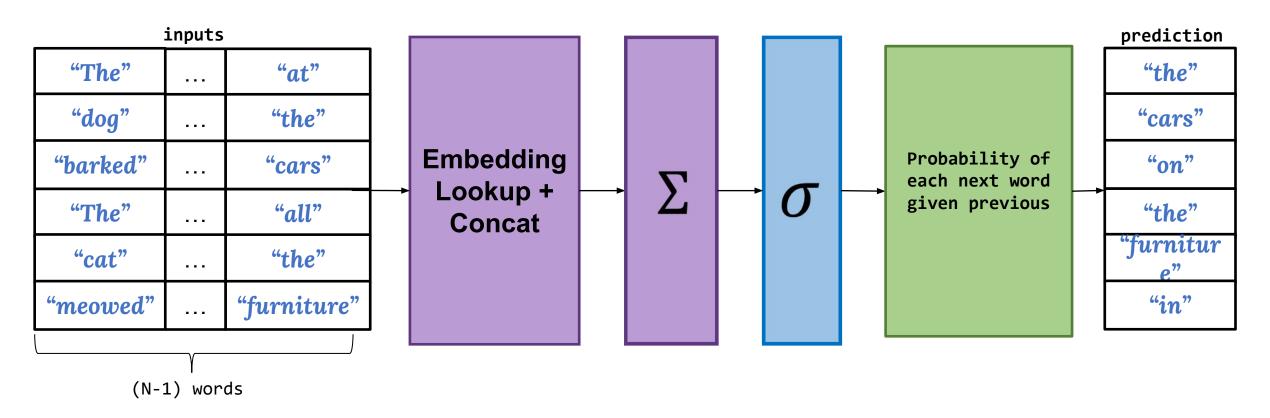


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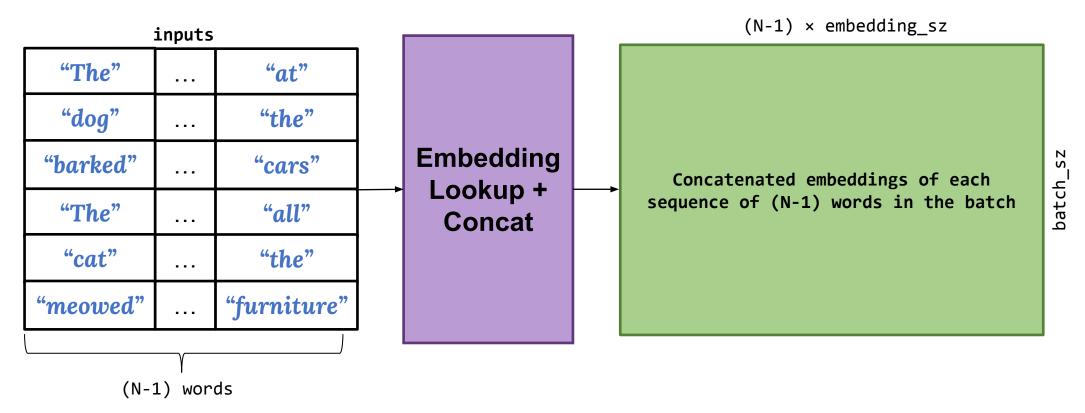
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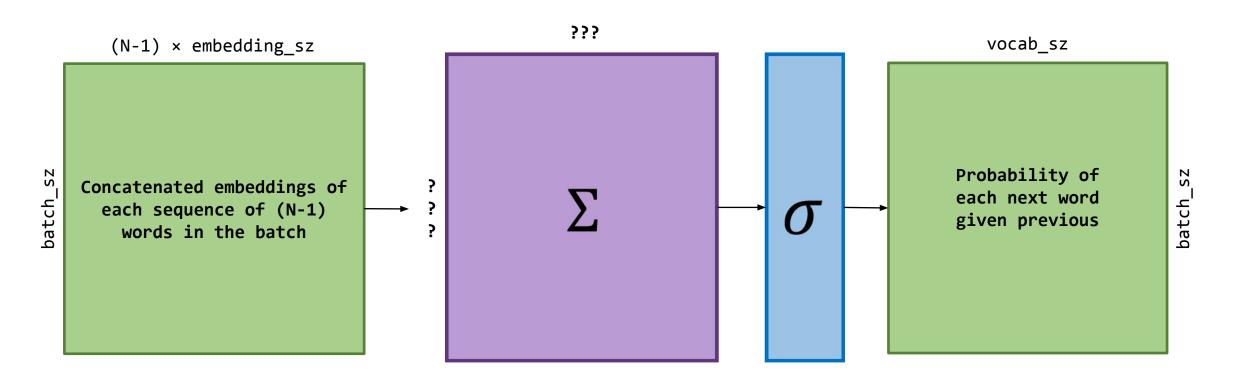
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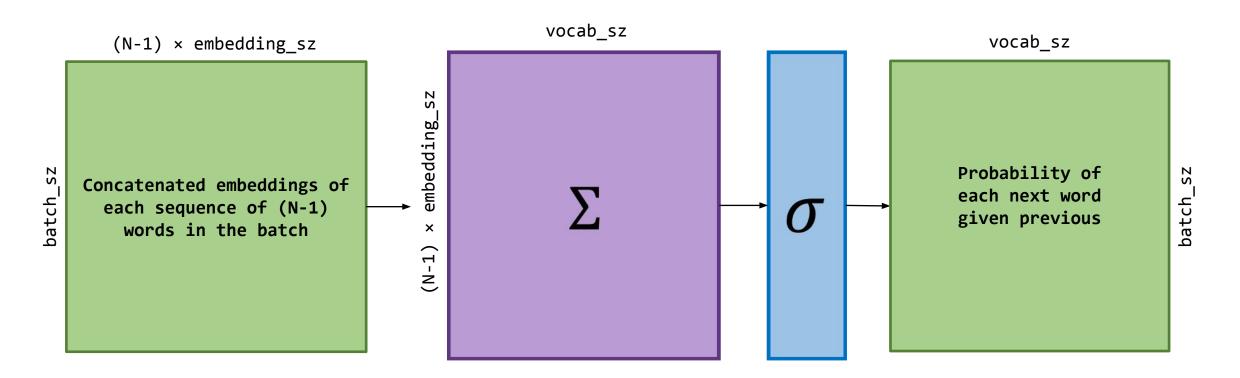
Embedding lookup + Concatenation still requires only one embedding matrix of size: (vocab\_sz, embedding\_sz)



But what happens to our feed forward layer?



It needs to be size: ((N-1) × embedding\_sz, vocab\_sz)
For every word, we add (embedding\_sz × vocab\_sz) more weights!



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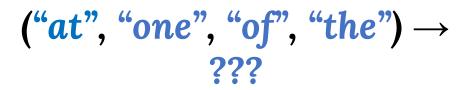
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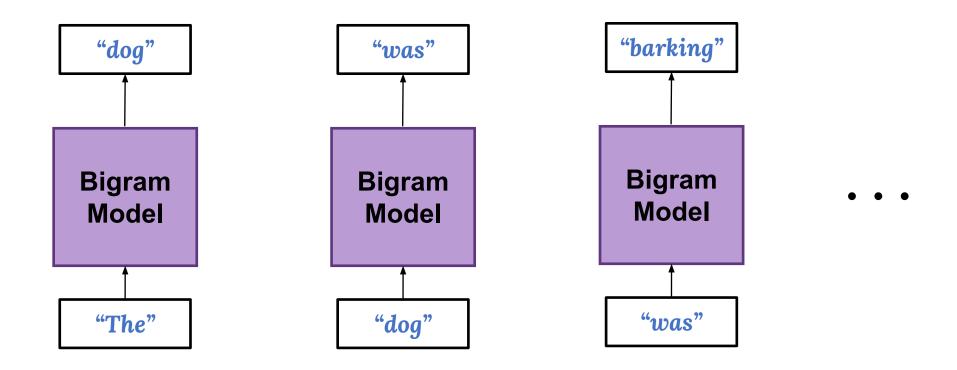
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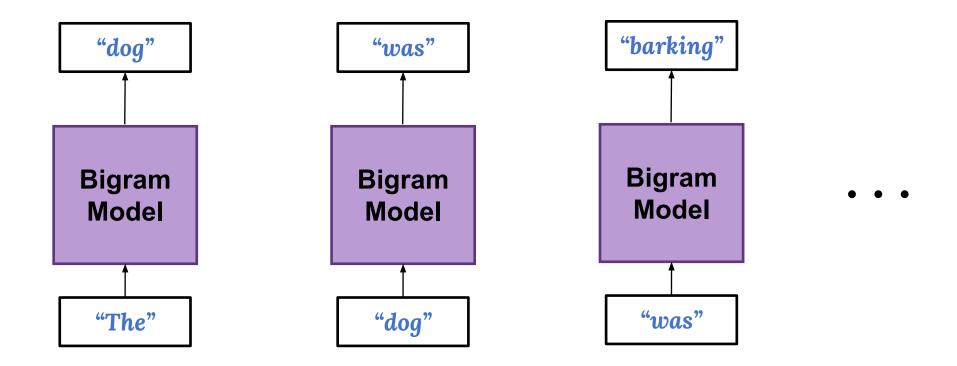
Let's revisit the bigram model and see several iterations of prediction using a bigram model:



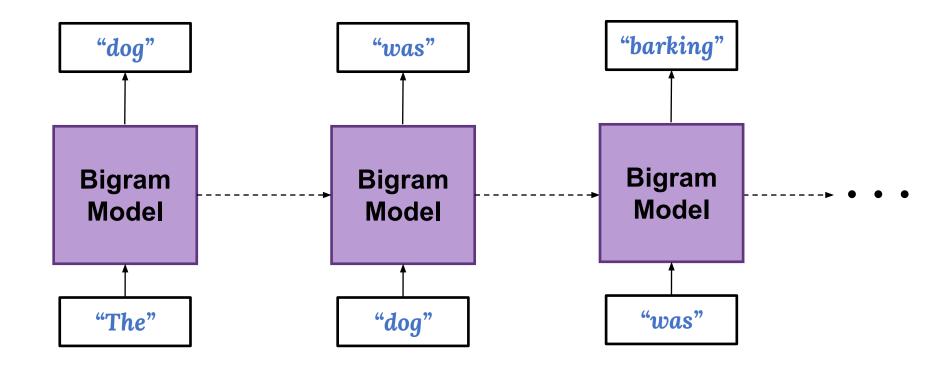
Any ideas?

#### New Approach

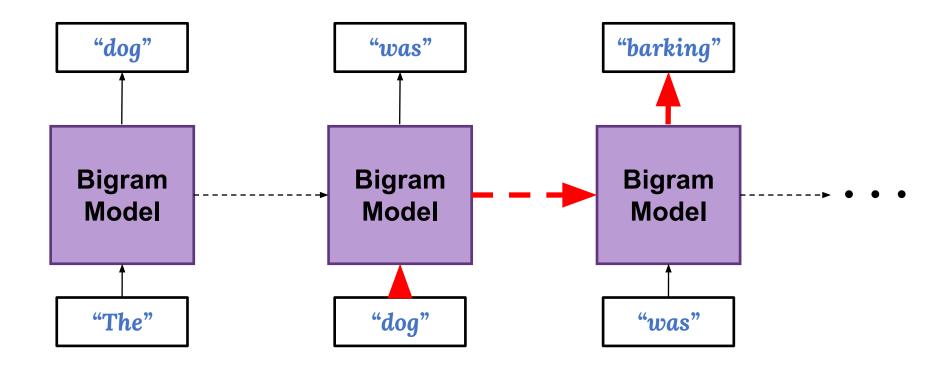
Ideally, we would like to be able to keep "memory" of what words occurred in the past.



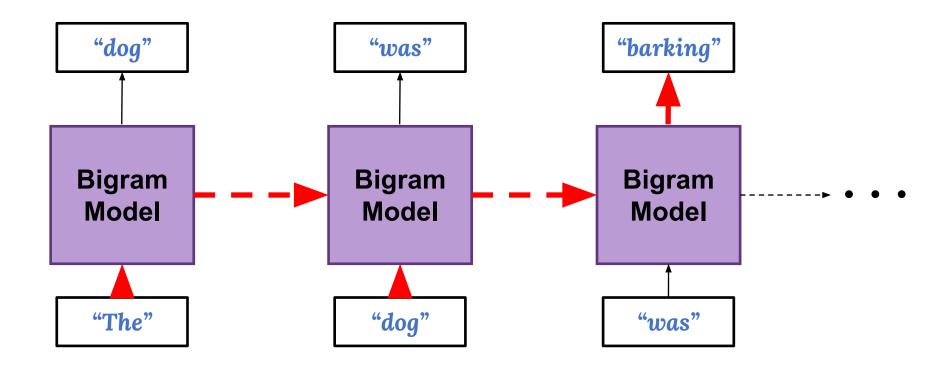
What if we sequentially passed information from our previous bigram block into our next block?



If we follow the information flow, we see that when predicting "barking", we have some way of knowing that "dog" was previously observed:



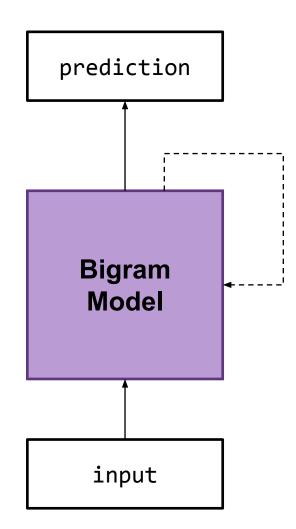
In fact, we even have a way of knowing that "The" was observed!



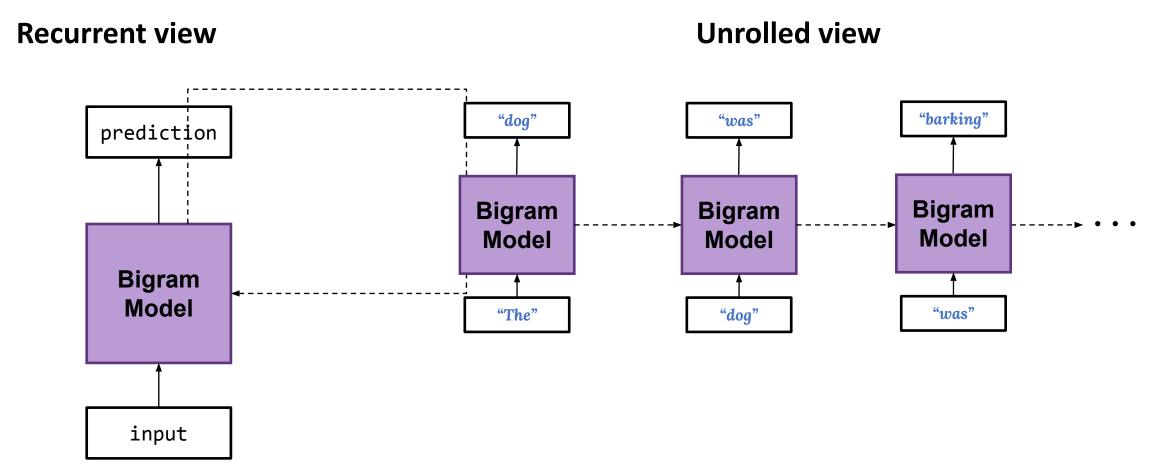
We can represent this relationship using only one bigram block and connection that feeds from the output of the model back into the input.

We call this connection a *recurrent* connection.

We call the previous representation the "unrolled" representation.



#### Different views of recurrent models



## Recurrent Neural Network (RNN)

Recurrent Neural Networks are networks in the form of a directed *cyclic* graph.

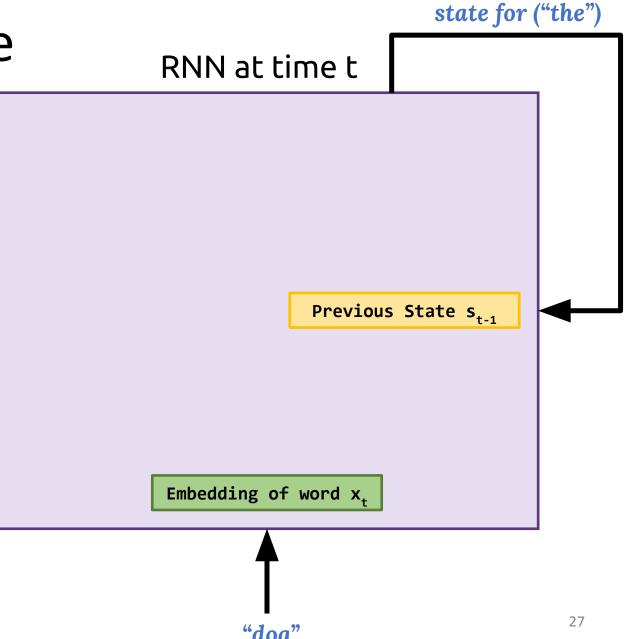
They pass previous *state* information from previous computations to the next.

They can be used to process sequence data with relatively low model complexity when compared to feed forward models.

The block of computation that feeds its own output into its input is called the RNN cell.

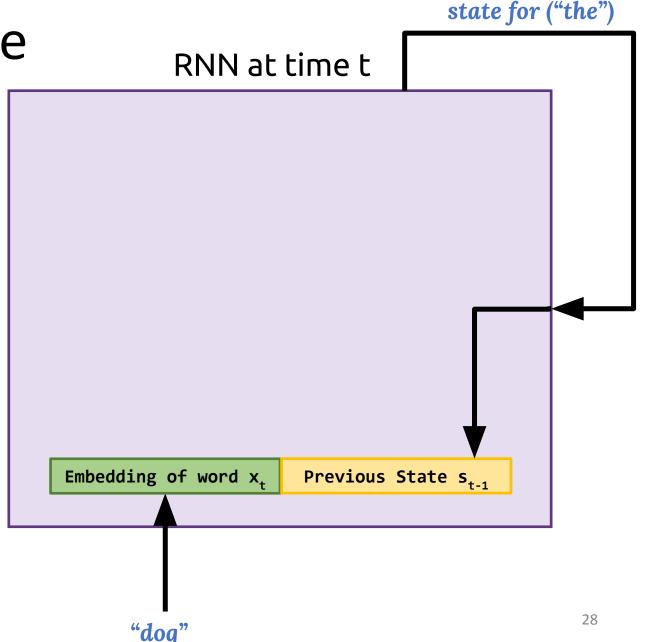
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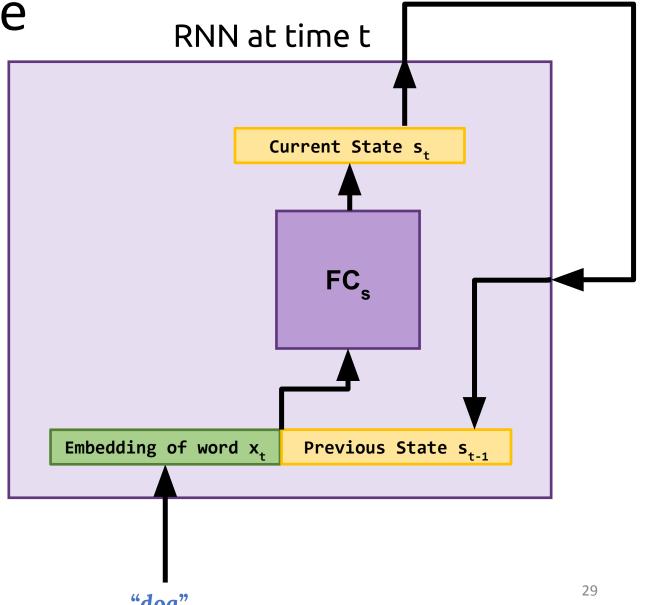
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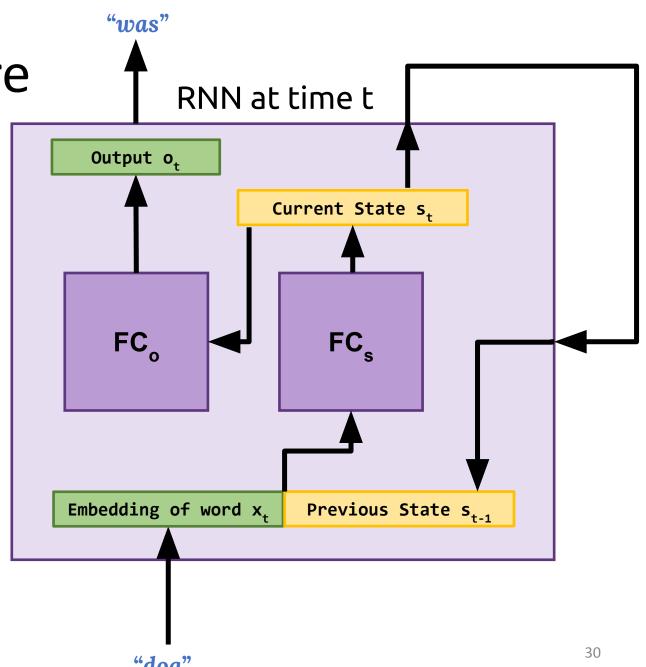


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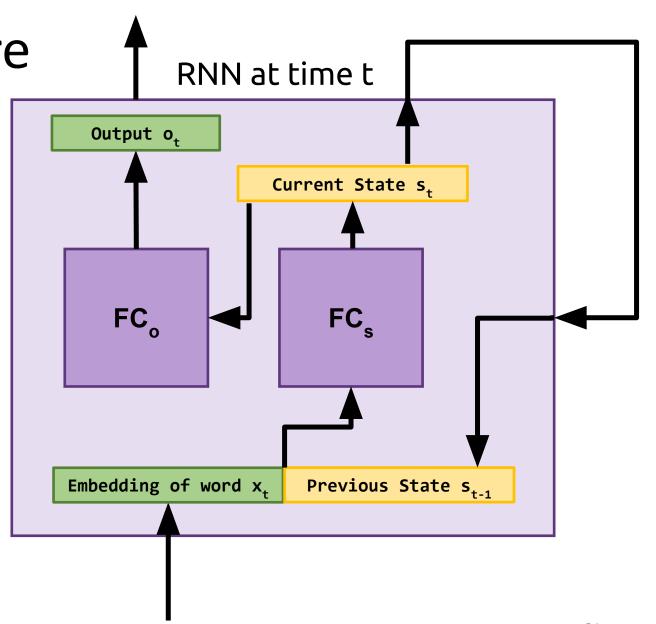
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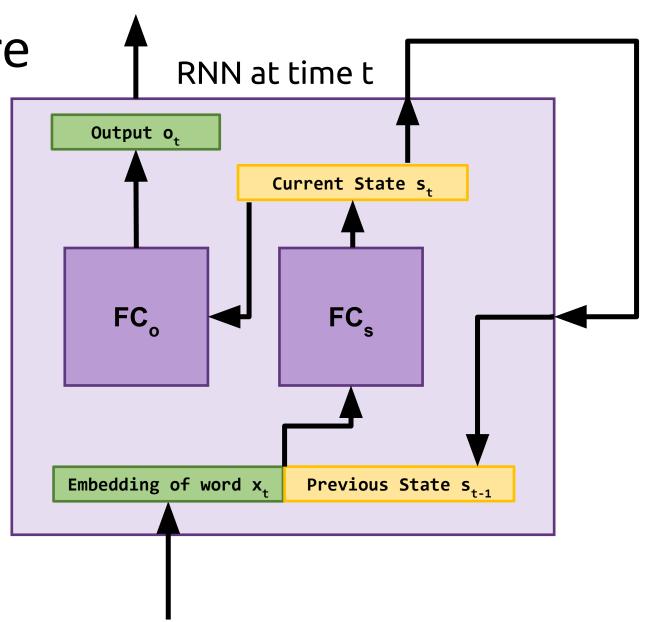
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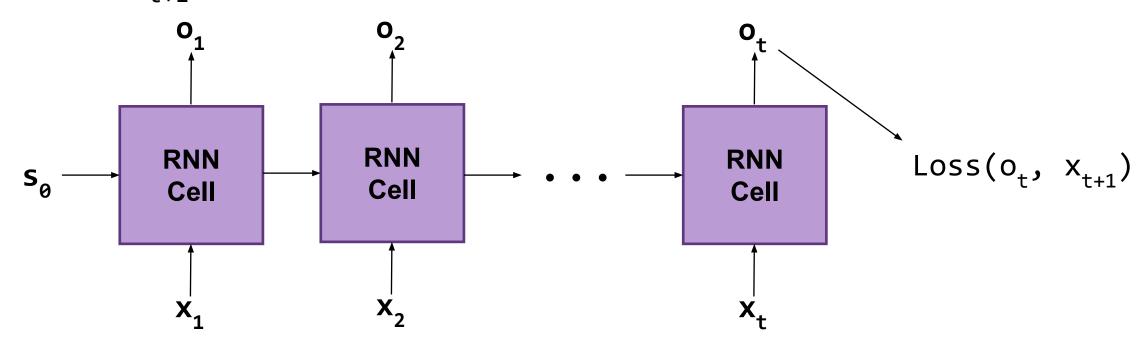
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This brings up an immediate question: what is  $s_0$ ?

Typically, we initialize  $s_0$  to be a vector of zeros (i.e. "initially, there is no memory of any previous words")

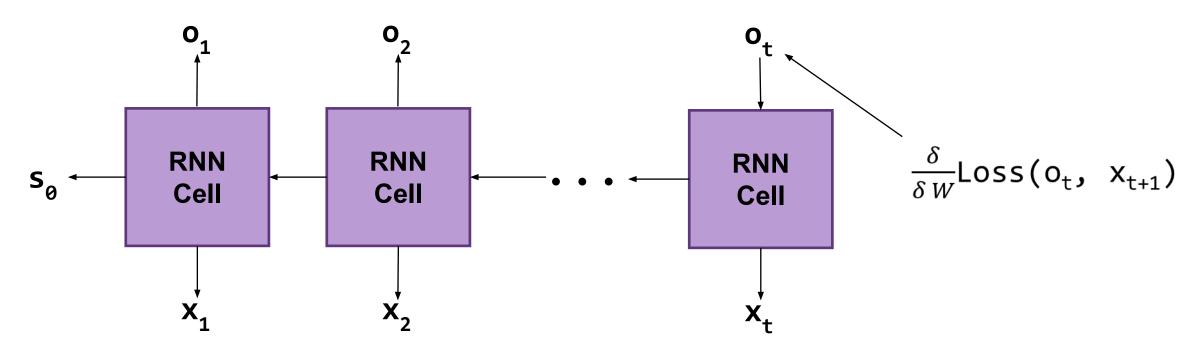
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We can calculate the cross entropy loss just as before since for any sequence of input words  $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_t)$ , we know the true next word  $x_{t+1}$ 



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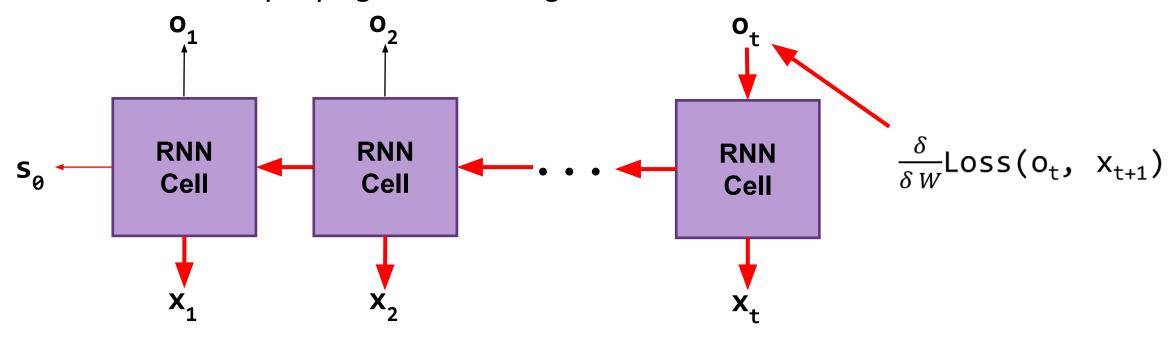
But what happens when we differentiate the loss and backpropagate?



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Not only do our gradients for  $o_t$  depend on  $x_t$ , but also on all of the previous inputs.

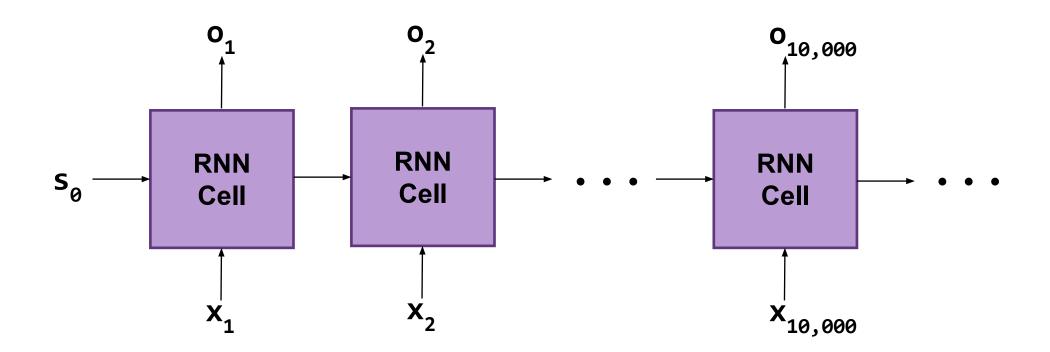
We call this backpropagation through time.



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But at what point do we stop and calculate the loss/update?

With this architecture, we can run the RNN cell for as many steps as we want, constantly accumulating memory in the state vector.



## Training RNNs

Solution: We define a new hyperparameter called window\_sz.

We now chop our corpus into sequences of words of size window\_sz

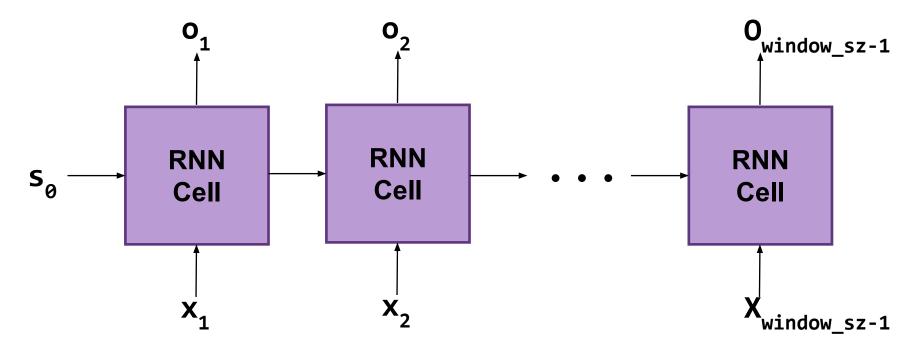
The new shape of our data should be:

(batch\_sz, window\_sz, embedding\_sz)

Each example in our batch is a "window" of window\_sz many words. Since each word is represented as an embedding\_sz, that is the last dimension of the data.

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Now that every example is a window or words, we can run the RNN till the end of that window, and compute the loss for that specific window and update our weights



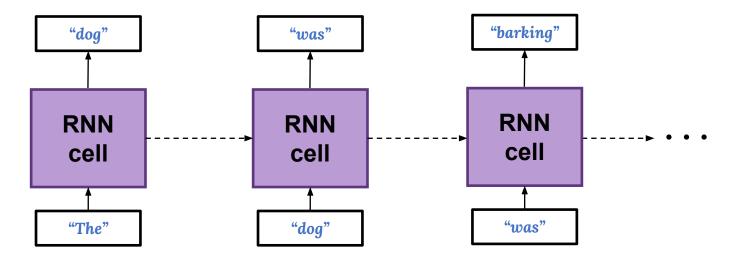
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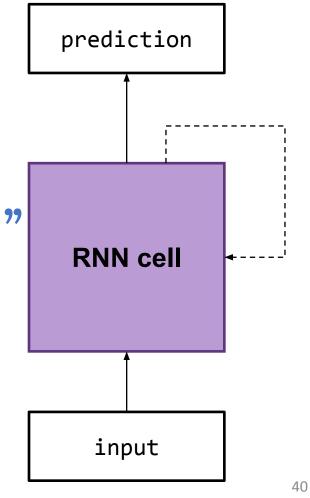
# Does RNN fix the limitations of the N-gram model?



- Number of of weights not dependent on N
- State gives flexibility to choose context from near or far

# "The dog was barking at one of the cats."





RNNs can be built from scratch using Python for loops:

```
prev_state = Zero vector
for i from 0 to window_sz:
    state_and_input = concat(inputs[i], prev_state)
    current_state = fc_state(state_and_input)
    outputs[i] = fc_output(current_state)
    prev_state = current_state
return outputs
```

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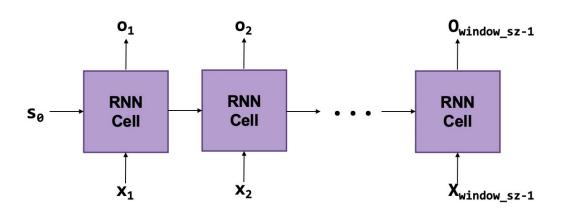
Any intuition why we would want return\_sequences to be TRUE?

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- If True: calling the RNN on an input sequence returns the whole sequence of outputs + final state output
- If False: calling the RNN on an input sequence returns just the final state output (Default)

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Usage:
```

```
RNN = SimpleRNN(10) # RNN with 10-dimensional output vectors
Final_output = RNN(inputs) # inputs: a [batch_sz, seq_length, embedding_sz] tensor
```

## Any questions?



## RNNs in Tensorflow

```
inputs = np.random.random([32, 10, 8]).astype(np.float32)
simple_rnn = tf.keras.layers.SimpleRNN(4)
```

```
inputs: a [batch_sz,
seq_length, embedding_sz]
tensor
```

```
output = simple_rnn(inputs)
```

### Go to www.menti.com and use the code 8305 9036

```
simple rnn = tf.keras.layers.SimpleRNN(4,
return sequences=True)
```

```
whole sequence output = simple rnn(inputs)
```

```
What is the size of
```

- output
- whole sequence output?

# RNNs are a marked improvement over previous language models we've seen

# But what are the implications when language models get really good?

# Like really, really, really good

# **GPT-3**, explained: This new language AI is uncanny, funny — and a big deal

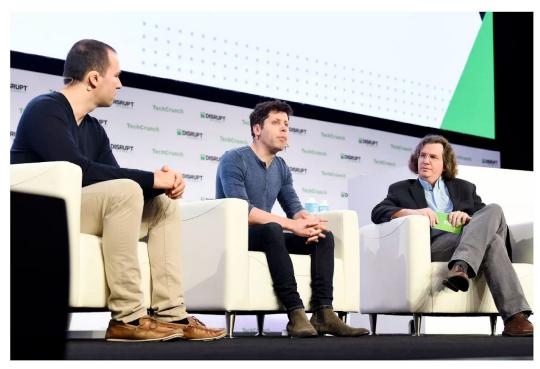
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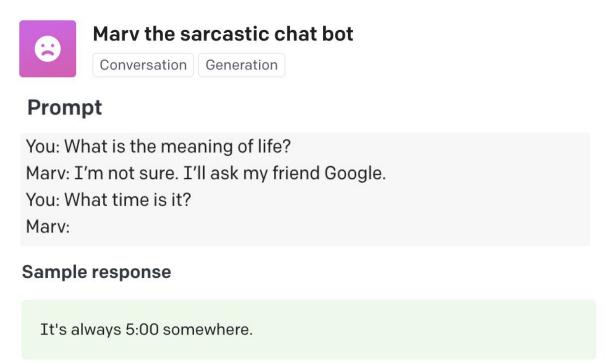
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## Background:

- Attention- and transformer-based model (We'll be discussing the details of these models next week in class, so stay tuned!)
- First Described by OpenAI in May 2020

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GPT-3 can also produce text that mimics the writing/speech styles of some famous people. Examples here

Write a restaurant review based on these notes:

Name: The Blue Wharf

Lobster great, noisy, service polite, prices good.

Review:

#### Sample response

The Blue Wharf is a great place to go for a lobster dinner. The service is polite and the prices are good. The only downside is that it is a bit noisy.

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OpenAI will not make GPT3 open source— instead, they have released an API and limits the number of people allowed to try the actual model.

## There's already been some concerning GPT-3 usage:

#### **THE VERGE**

A college student used GPT-3 to write fake blog posts and ended up at the top of Hacker News

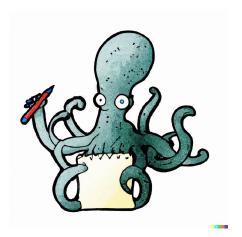
A robot wrote this entire article. Are you scared yet, human? *GPT-3* 

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by theguardian.com

## Recap

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