

# Topics in AI (CPSC 532L): Multimodal Learning with Vision, Language and Sound

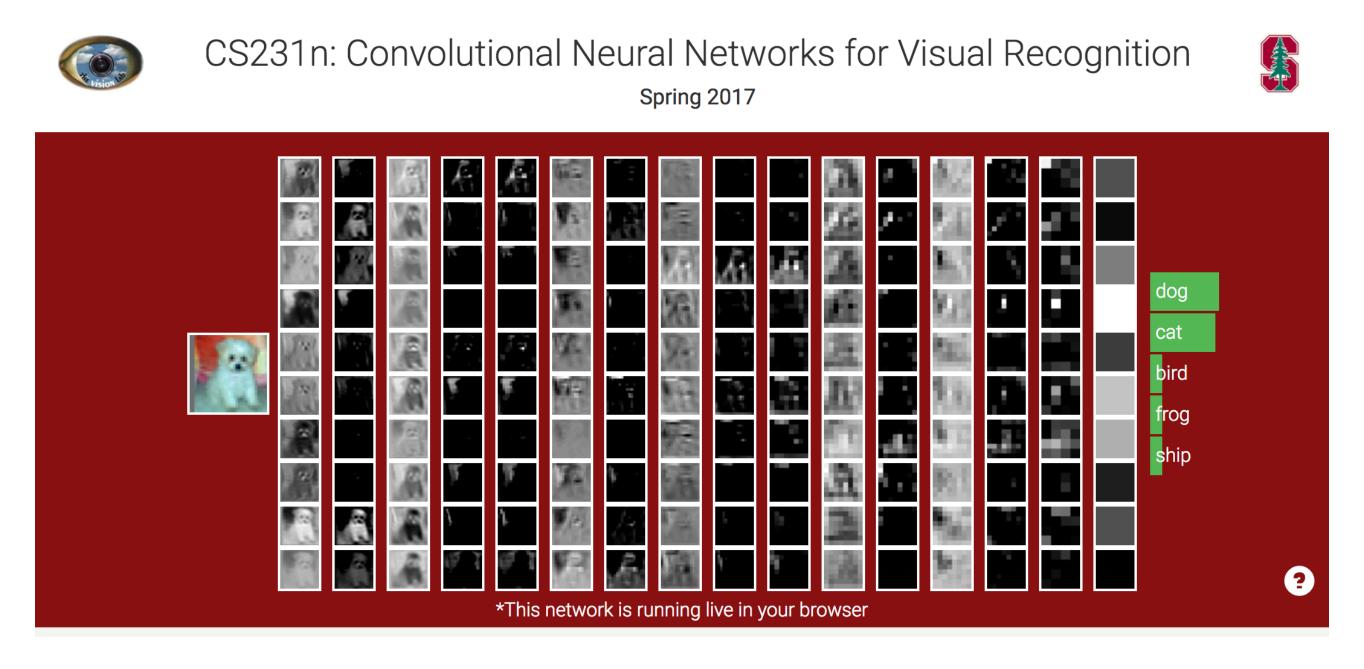
Lecture 2: Introduction to Deep Learning

#### Course Logistics

- Update on course registrations 43 students registered (out of 40)
- Those who want to audit ...
- Piazza registrations (all announcements and HW solutions will be there)
- Assignment 1 is out (due date Monday, Jan 14 @ 11:59pm)
- Microsoft Azure credits and tutorial
- TA office hours will be posted by tonight (there will be one this week and next)

#### Introduction to Deep Learning

There is a lot packed into today's lecture (excerpts from a few lectures of CS231n)

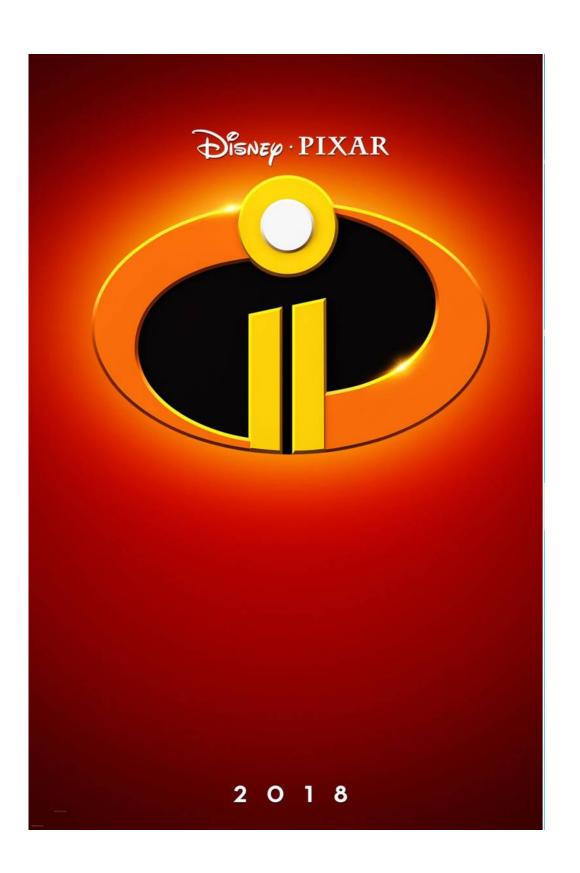


if you want more details, check out CS231n lectures on-line

Covering: foundations and most important aspects of supervised DNNs

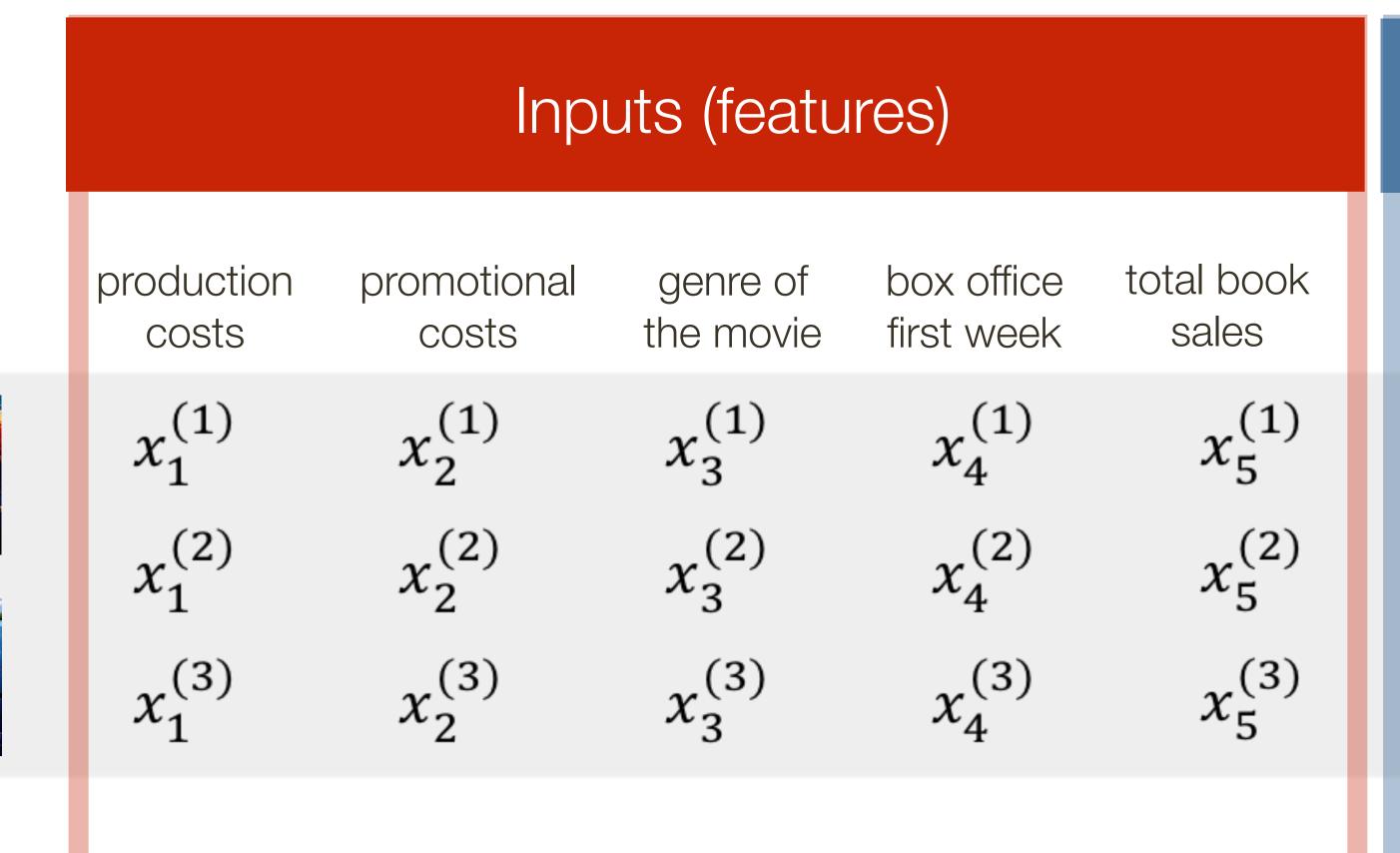
**Not-covering:** neuroscience background of deep learning, optimization (CPSC 340 & CPSC 540), and not a lot of theoretical underpinning



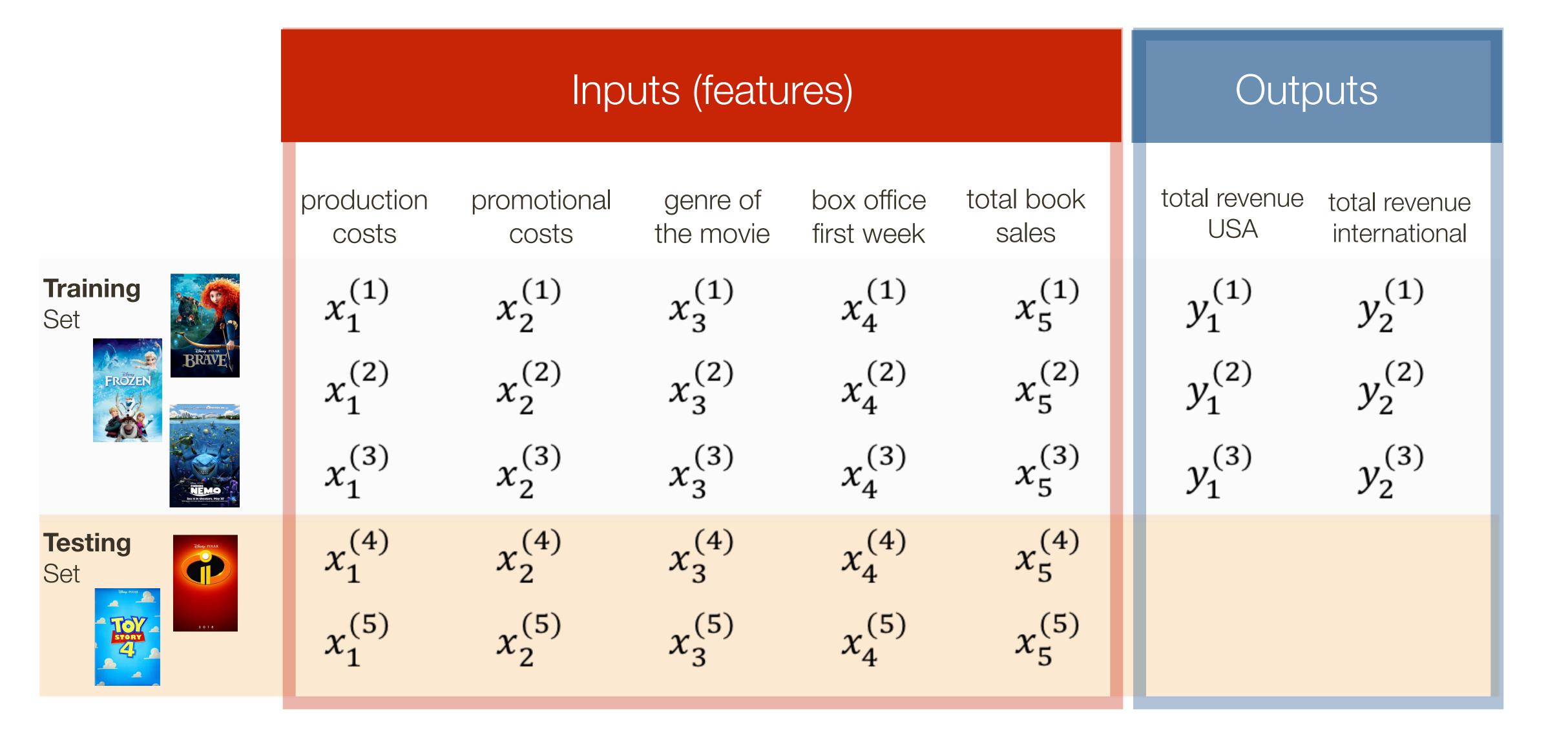


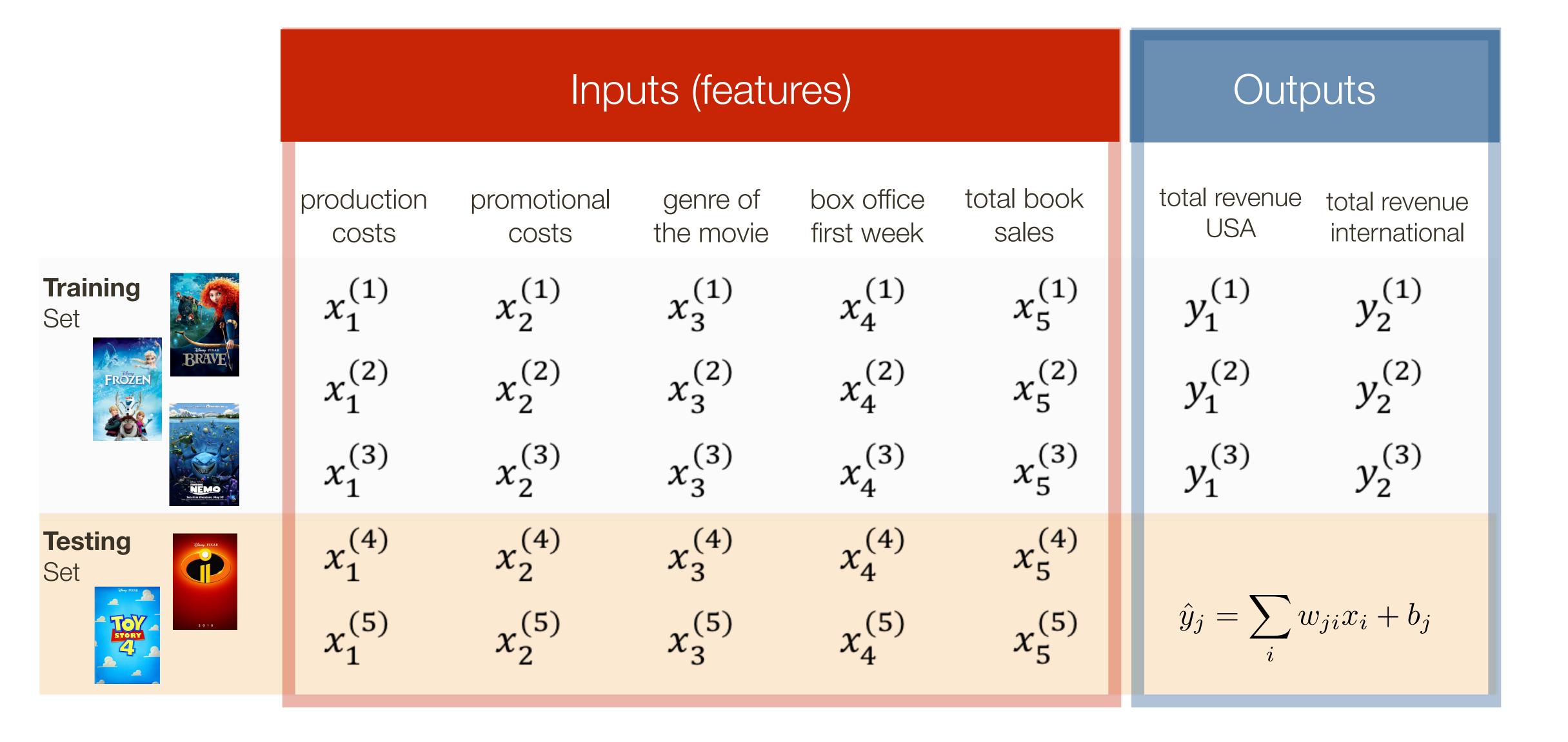
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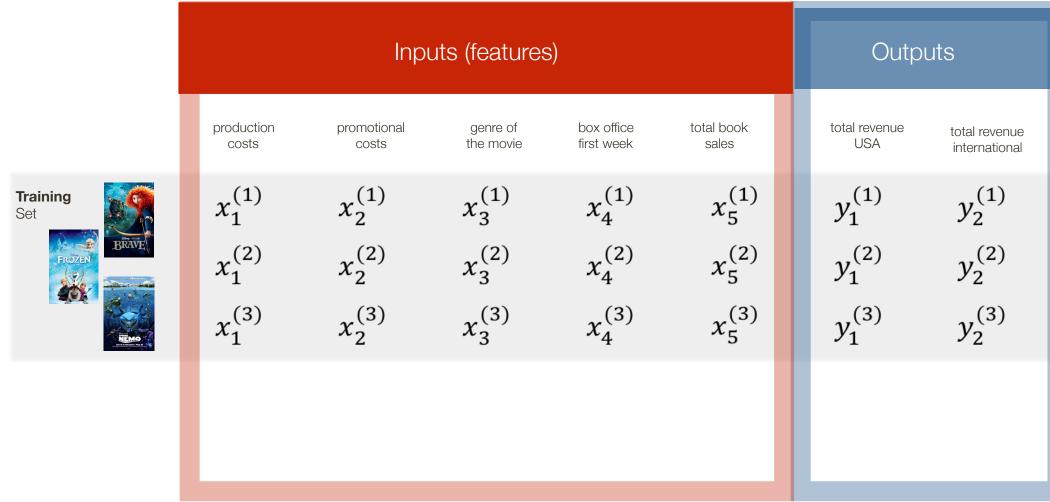
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### Linear regression (review) — Learning /w Least Squares

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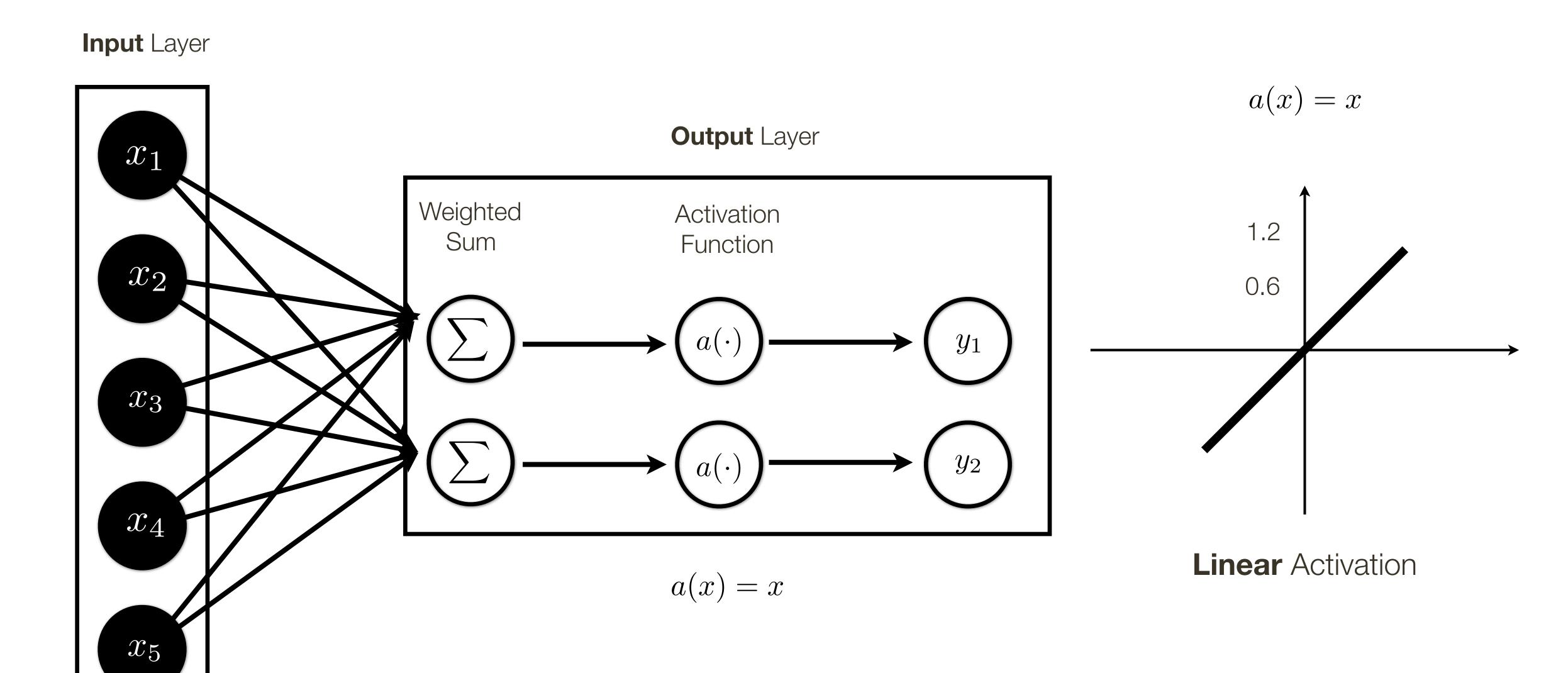
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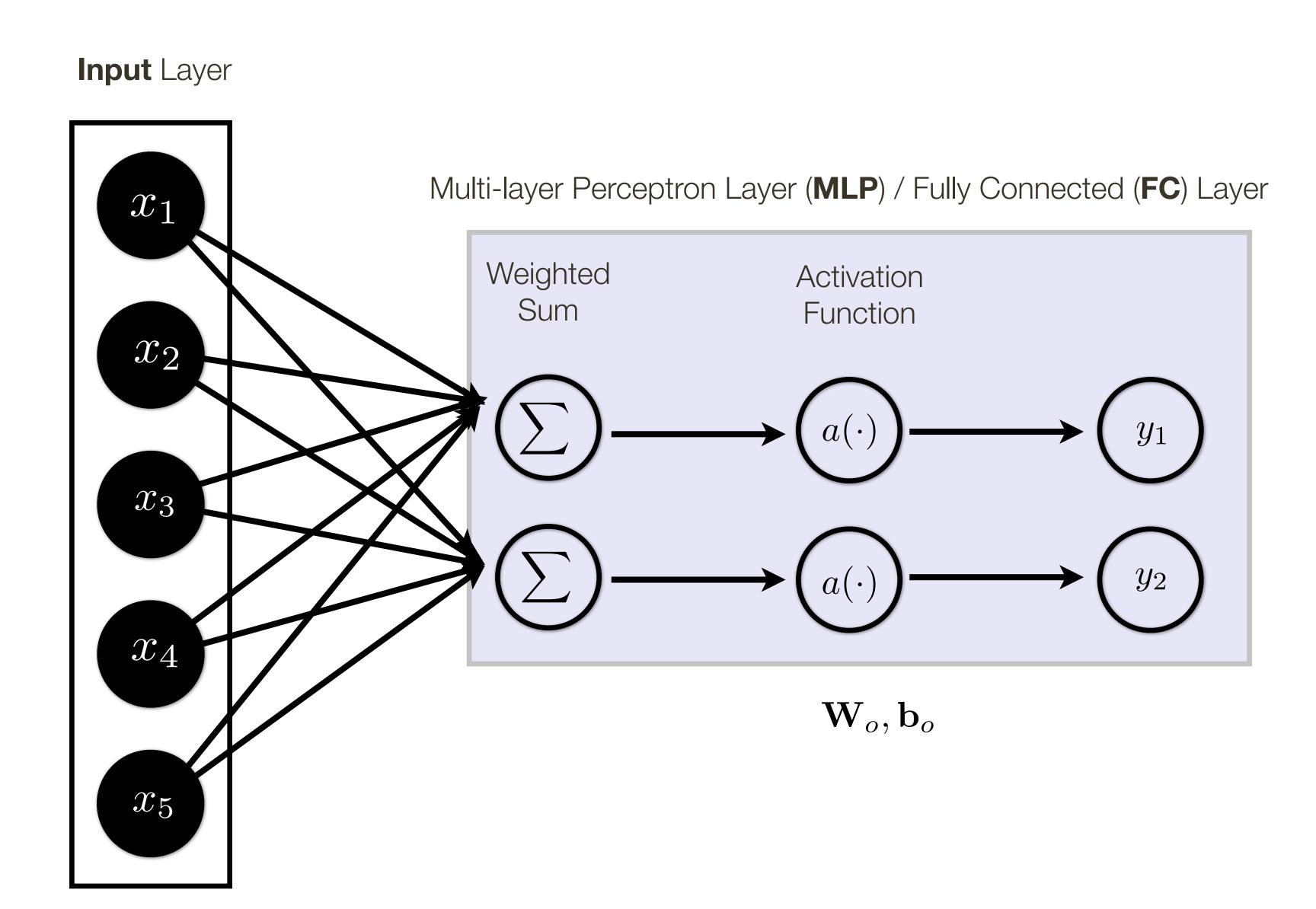
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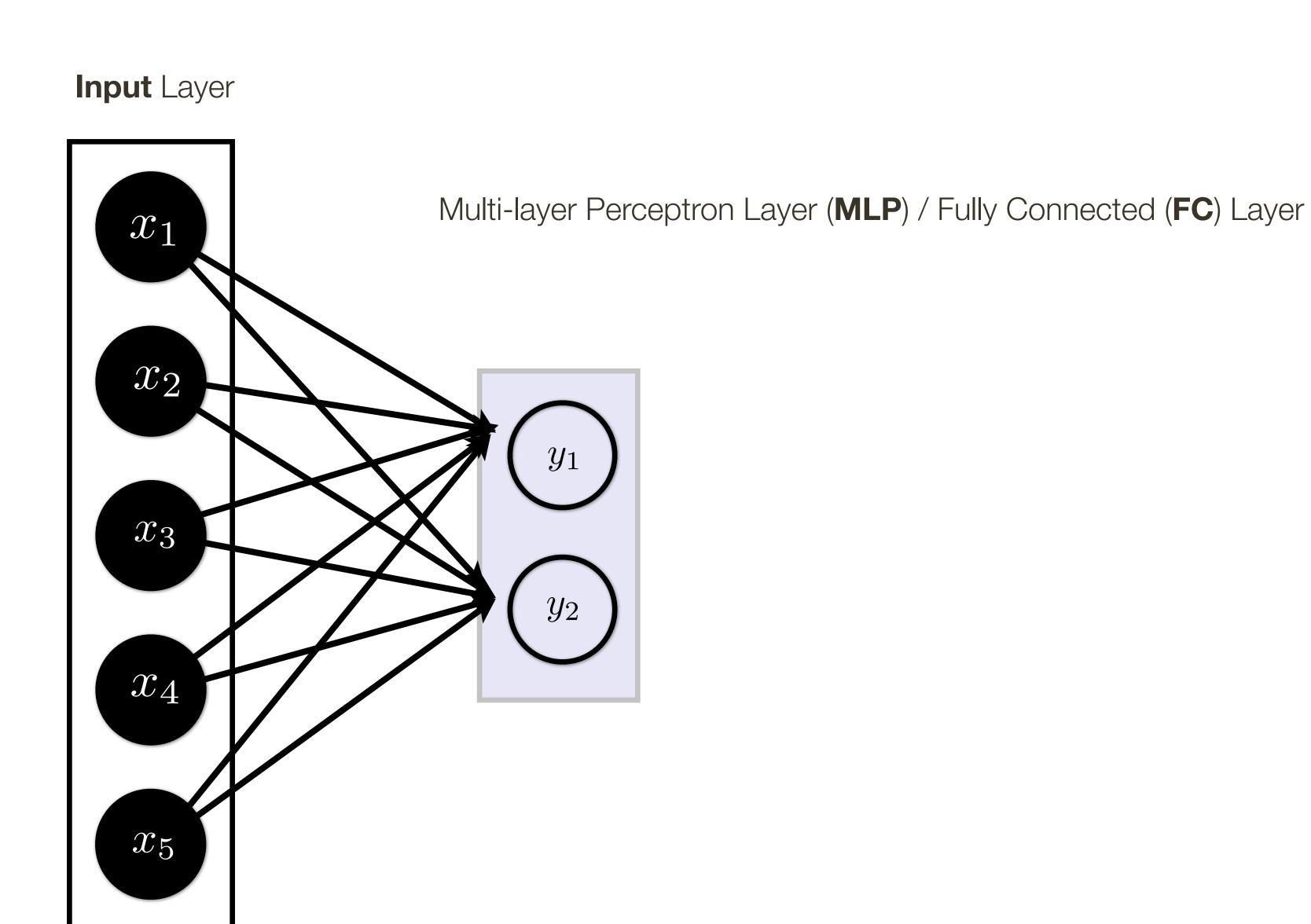
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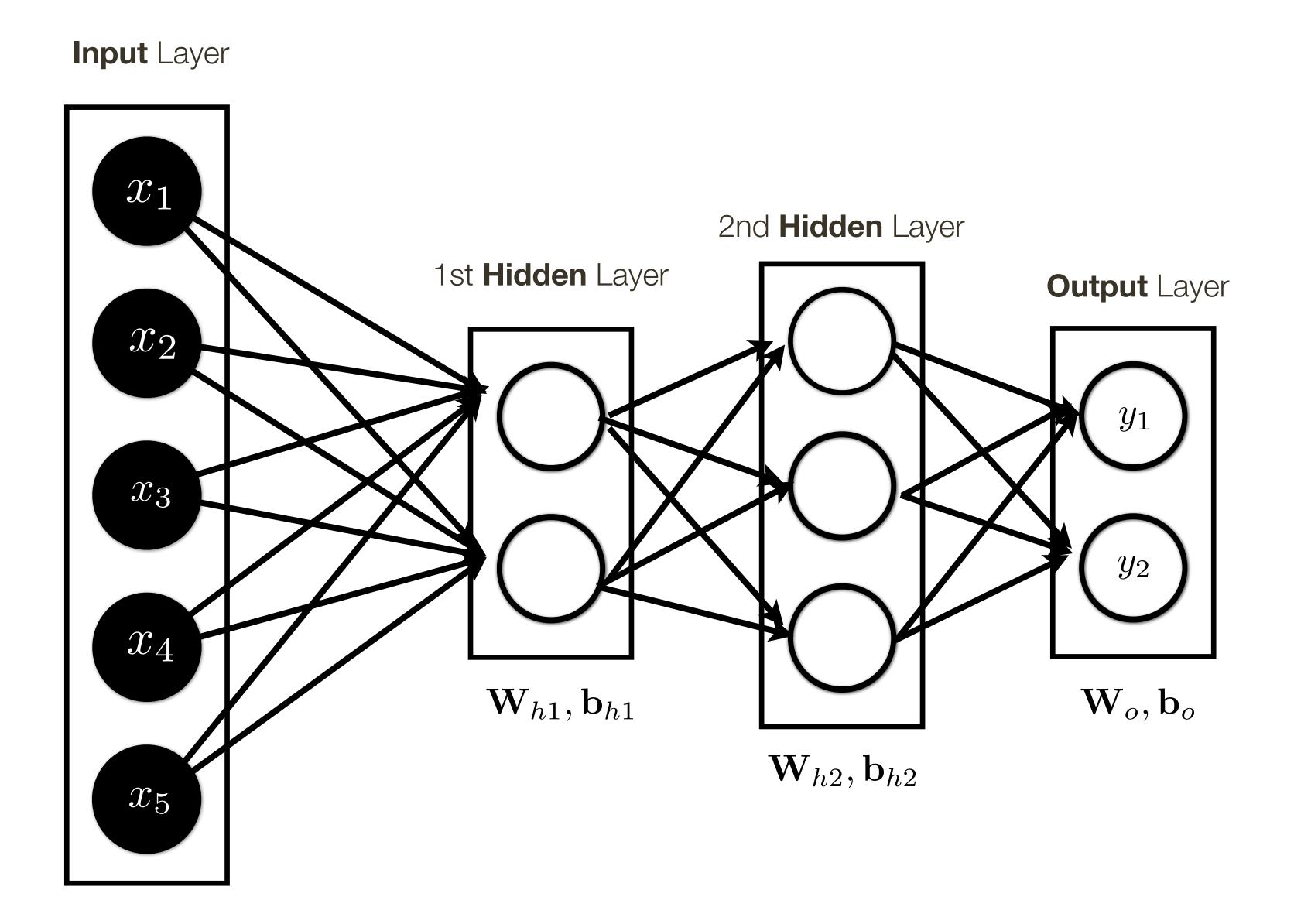
after some operations  $\longrightarrow$   $\mathbf{W}^* = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$ 







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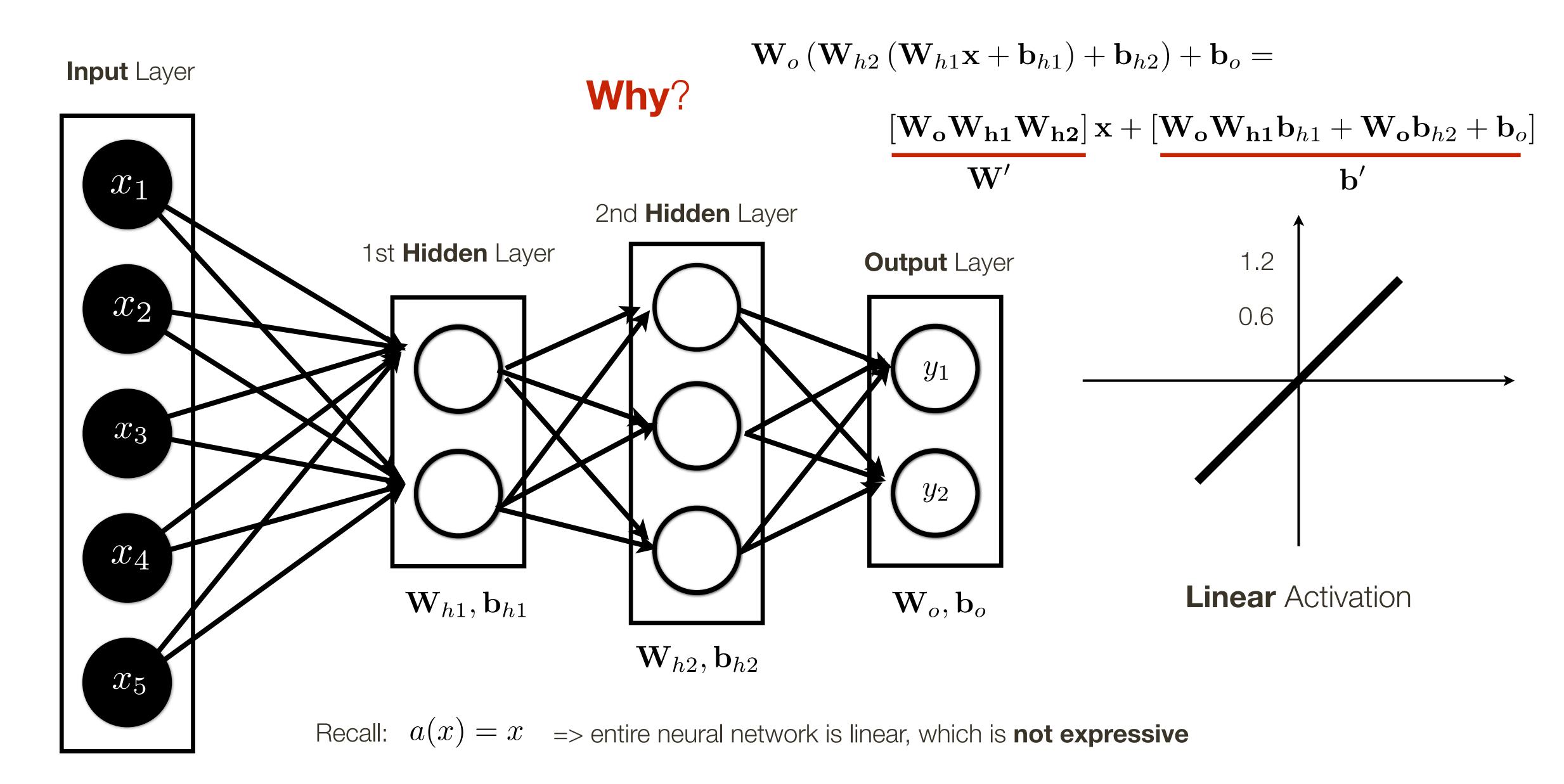
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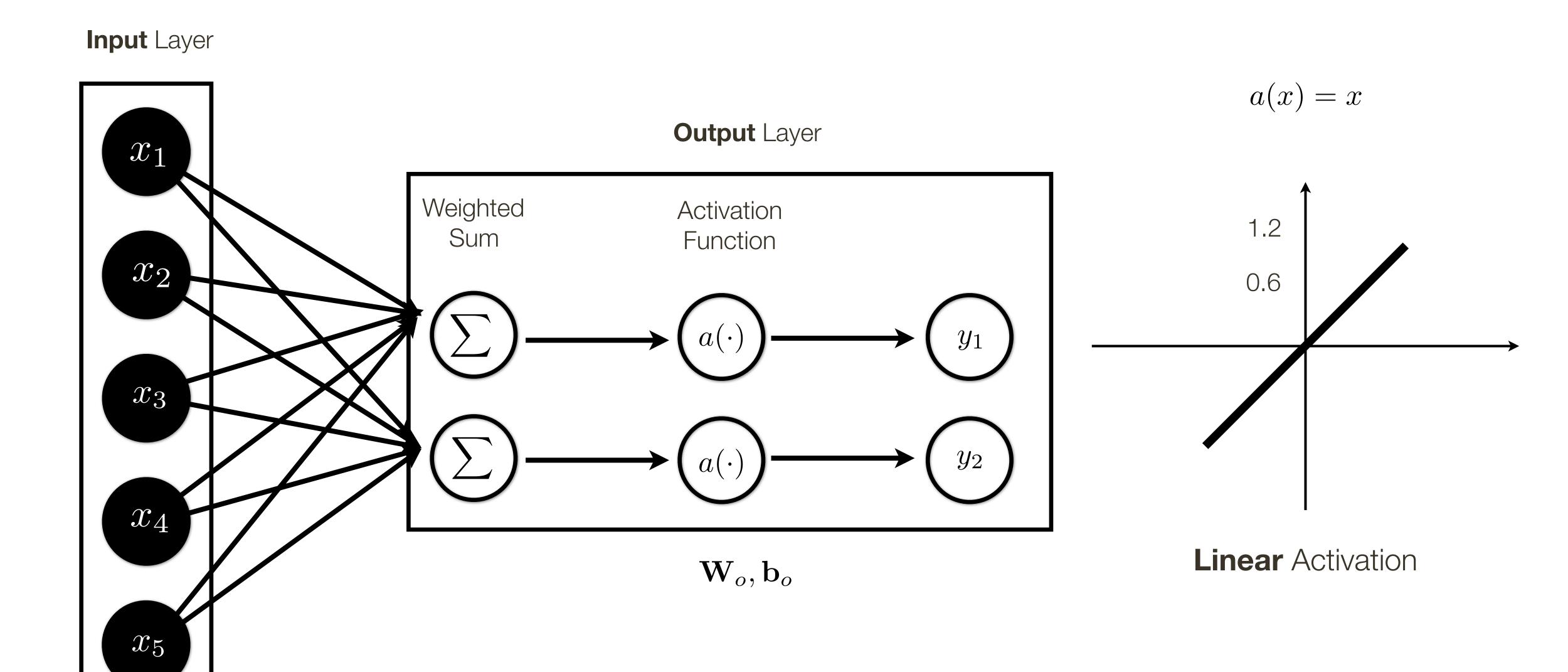
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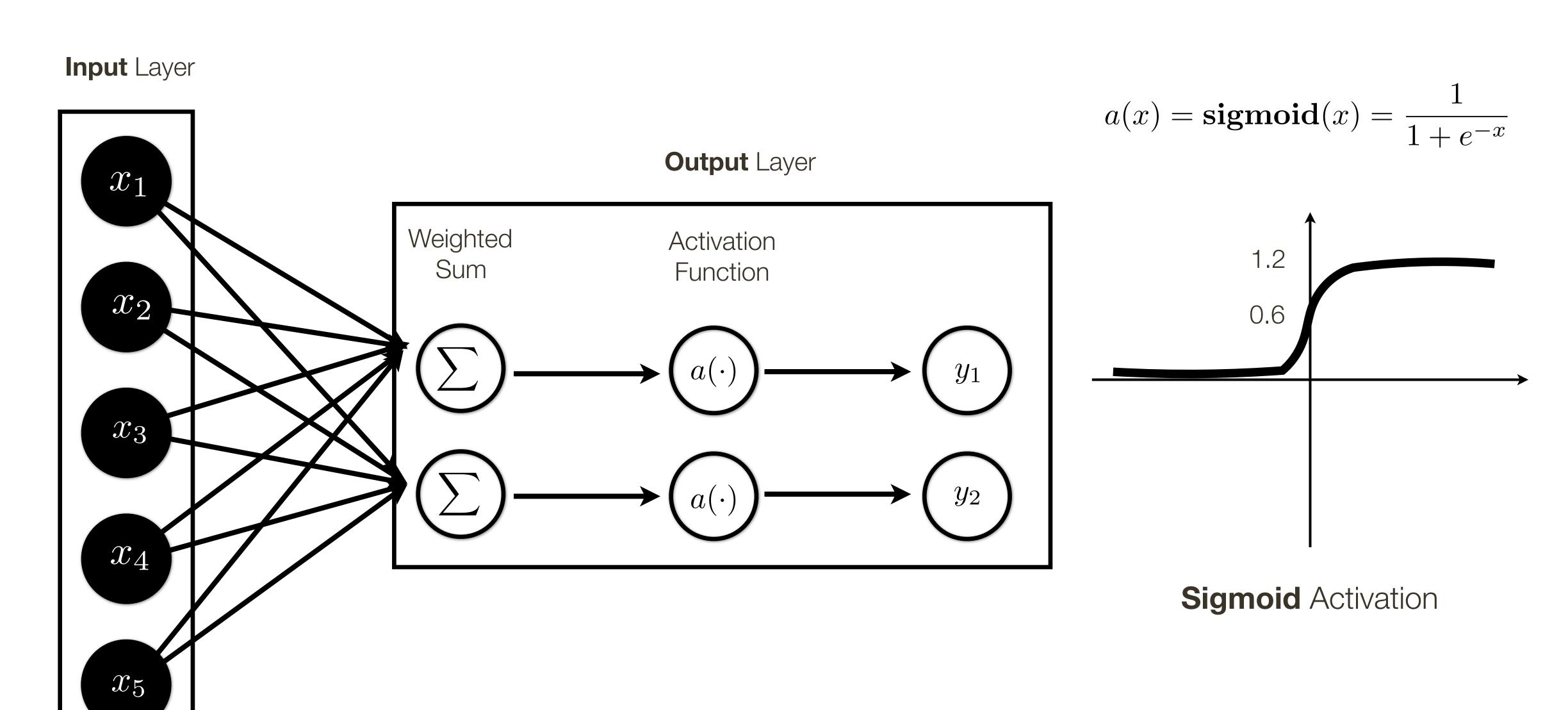
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2) More efficient due to distributed representation

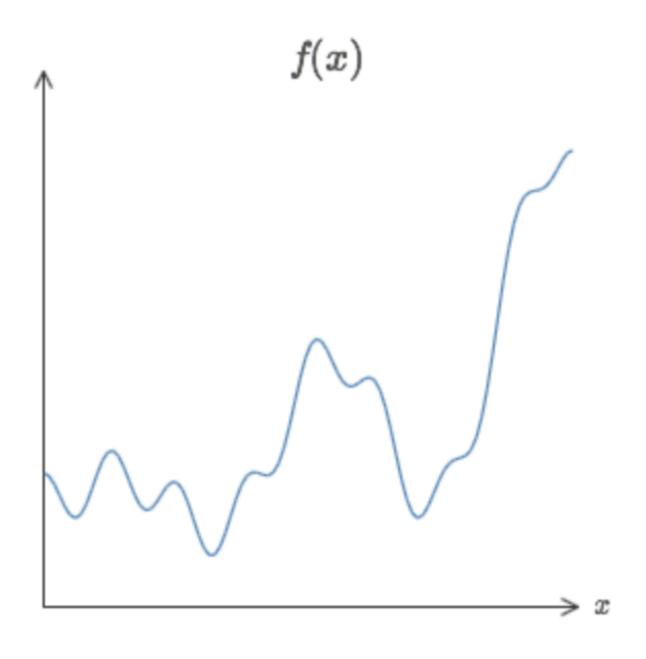
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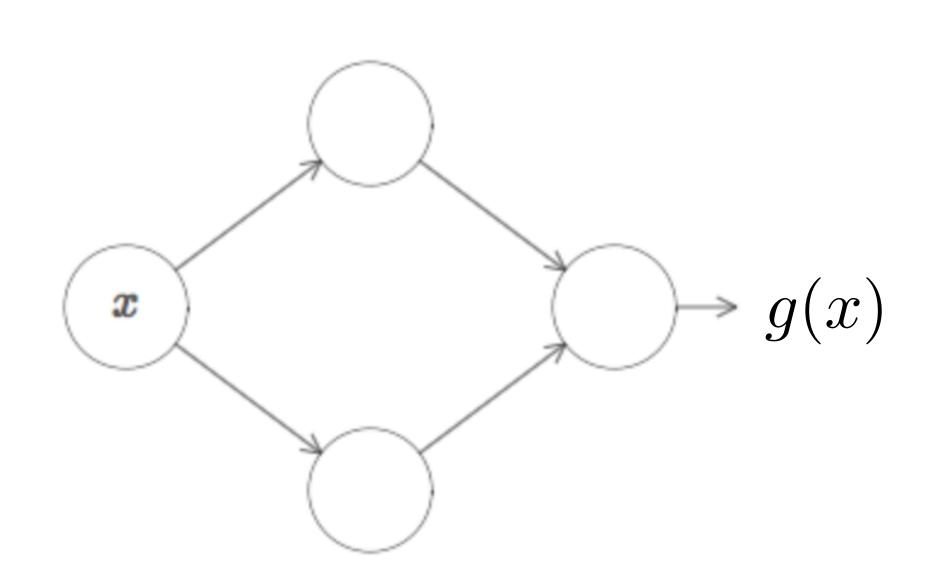


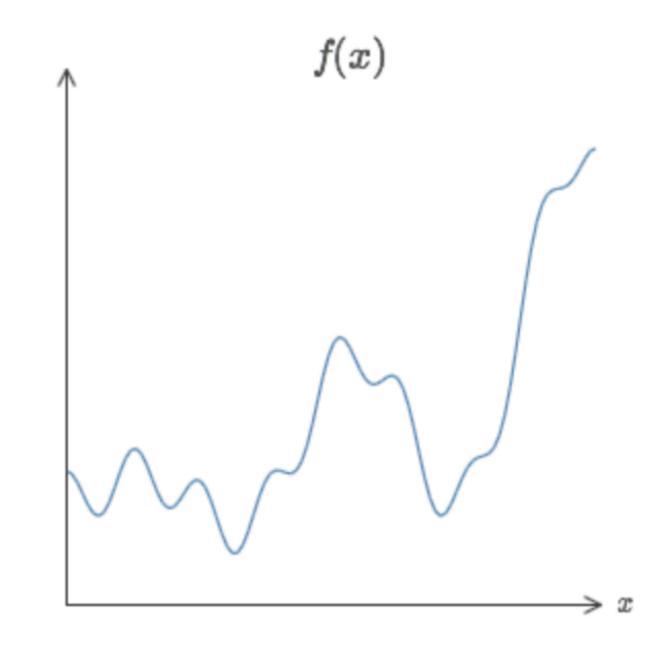


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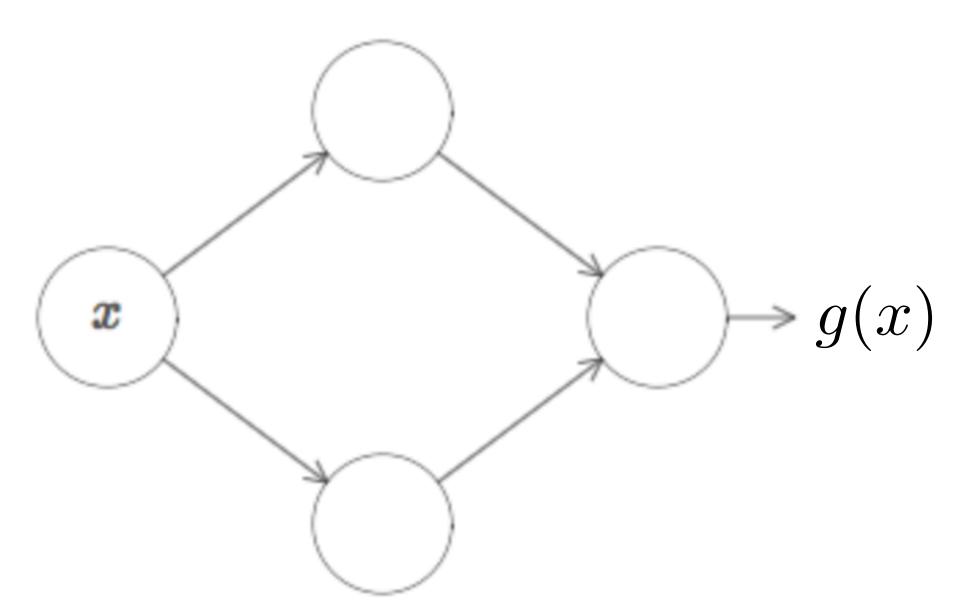
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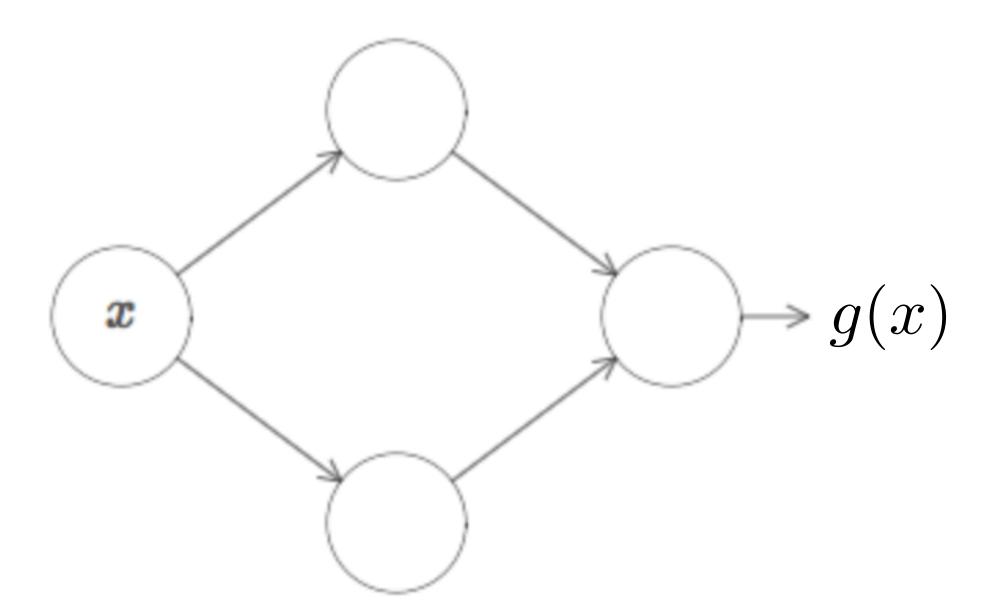
The guarantee is that by using enough hidden neurons we can always find a neural network whose output g(x) satisfies  $|g(x)-f(x)|<\epsilon$  for an arbitrarily small  $\epsilon$ 

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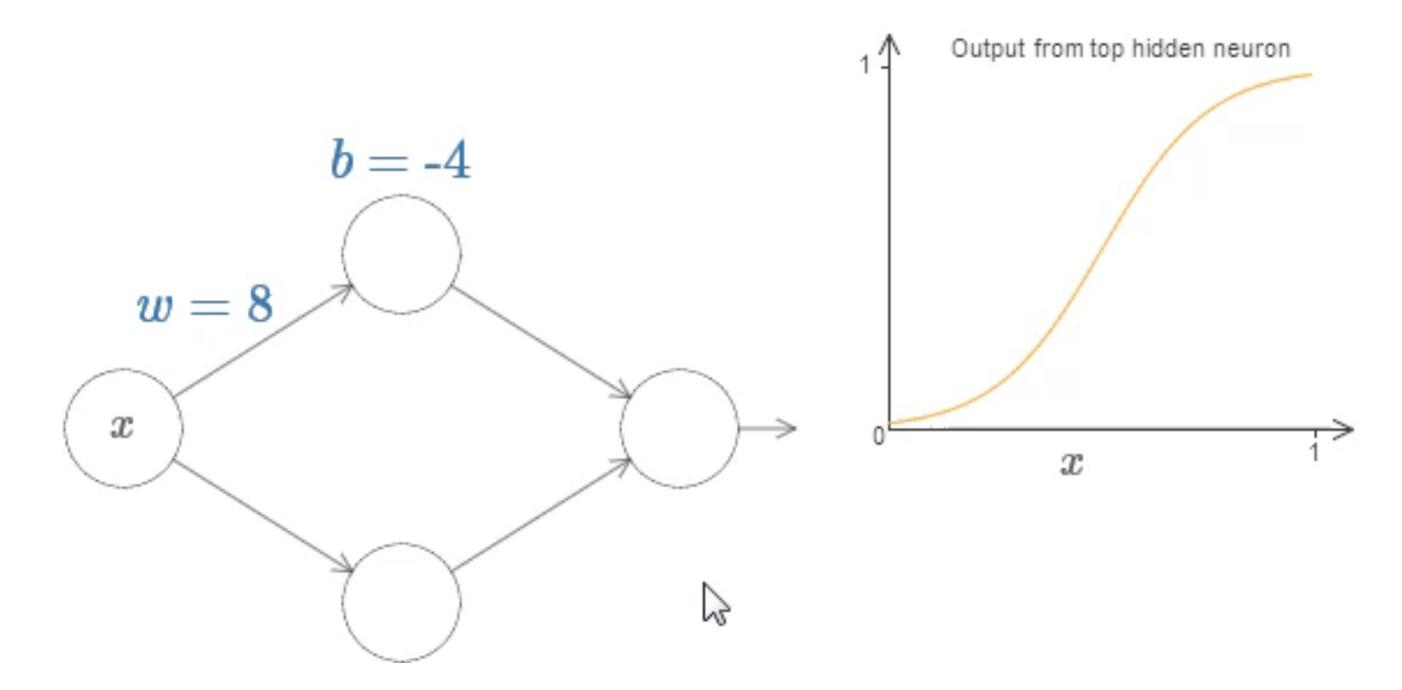
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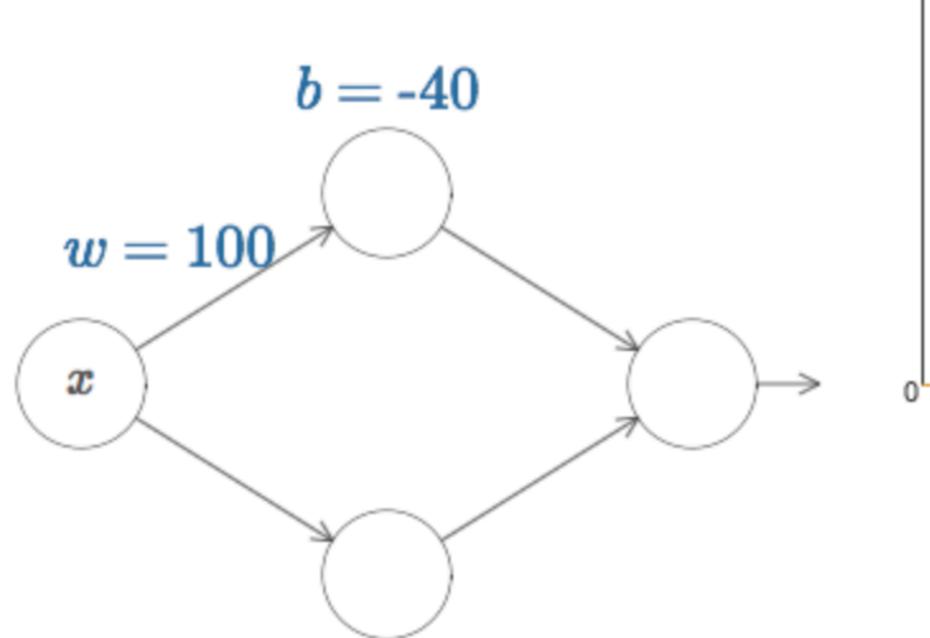


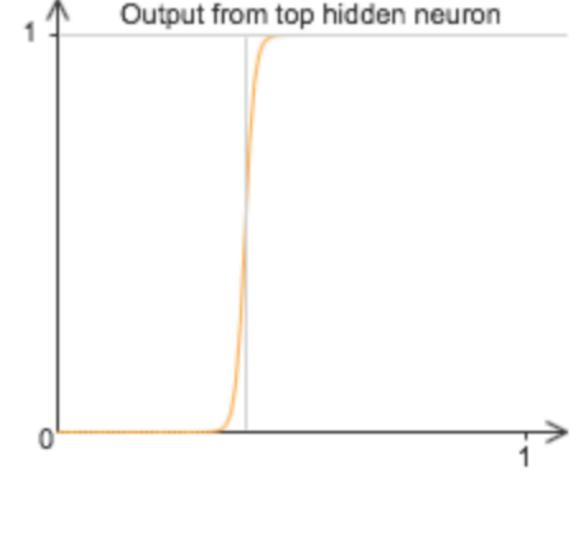
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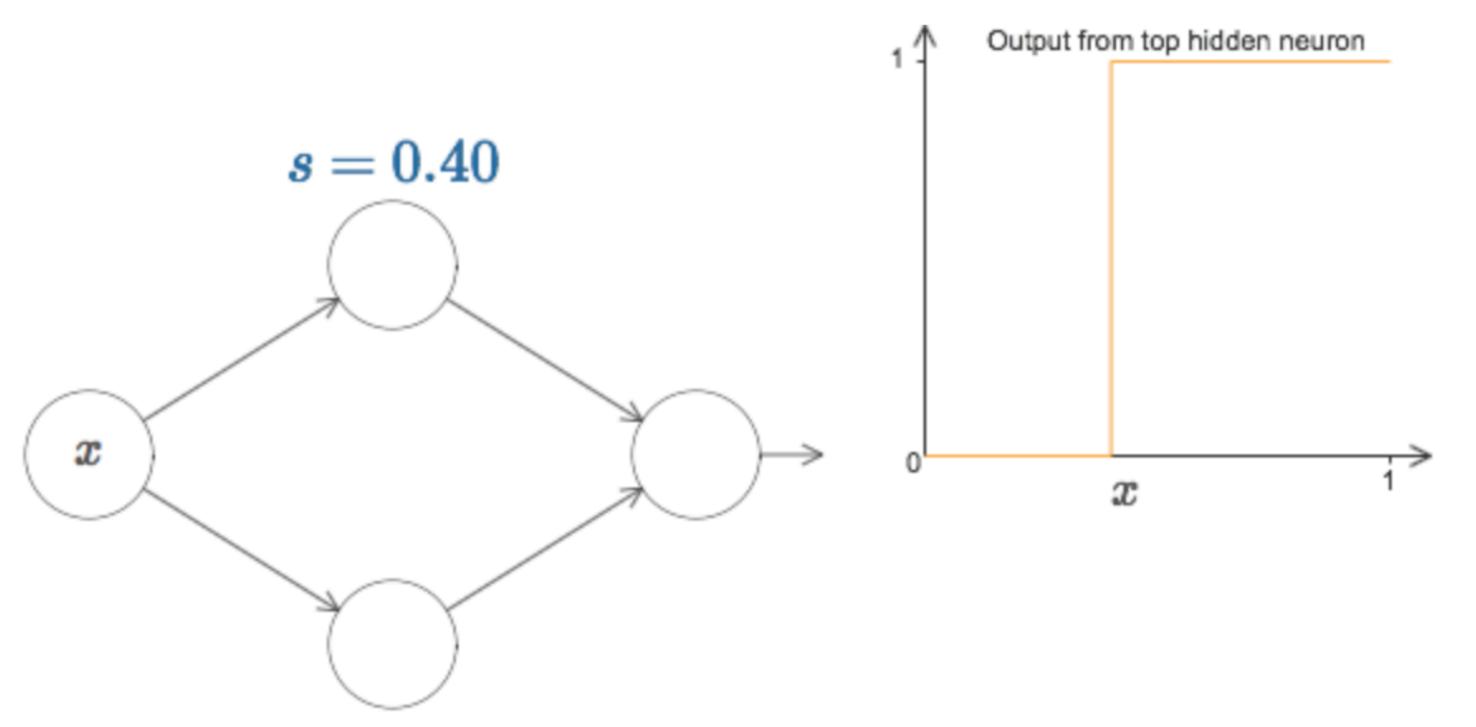


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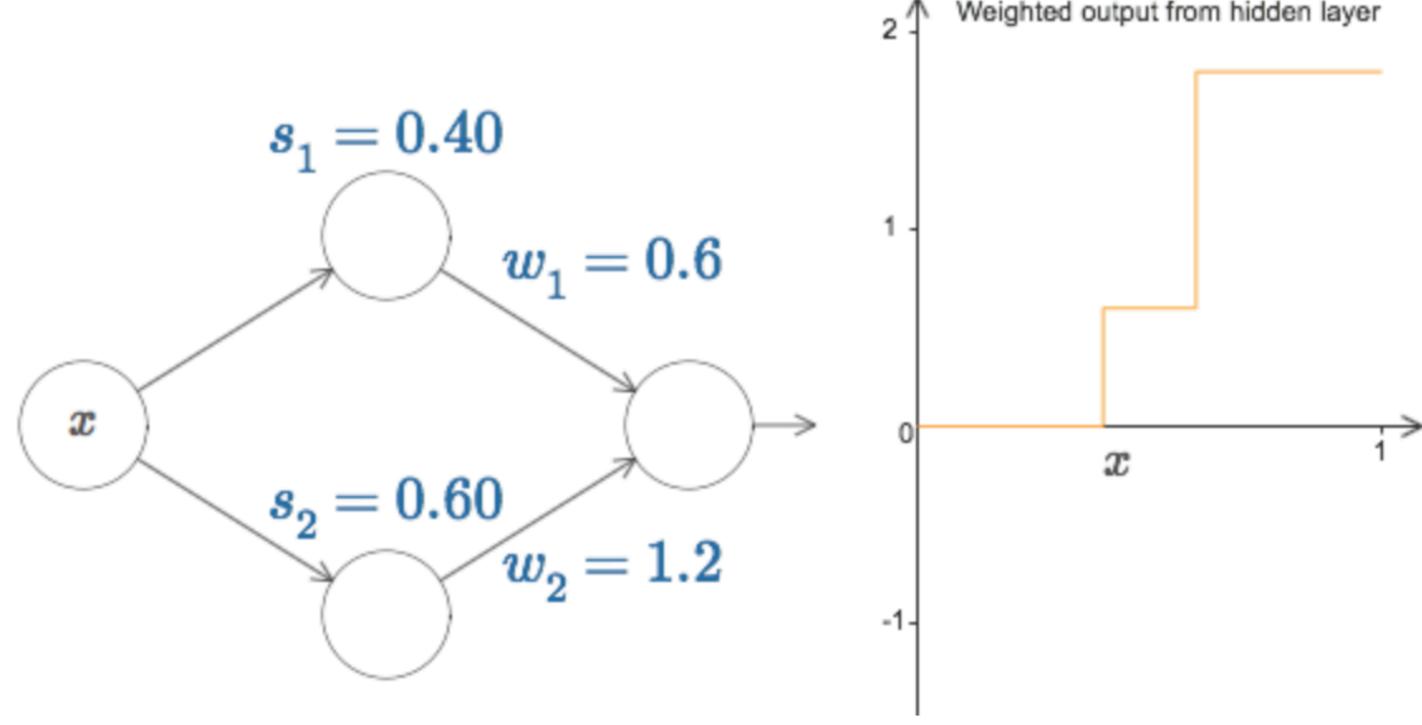
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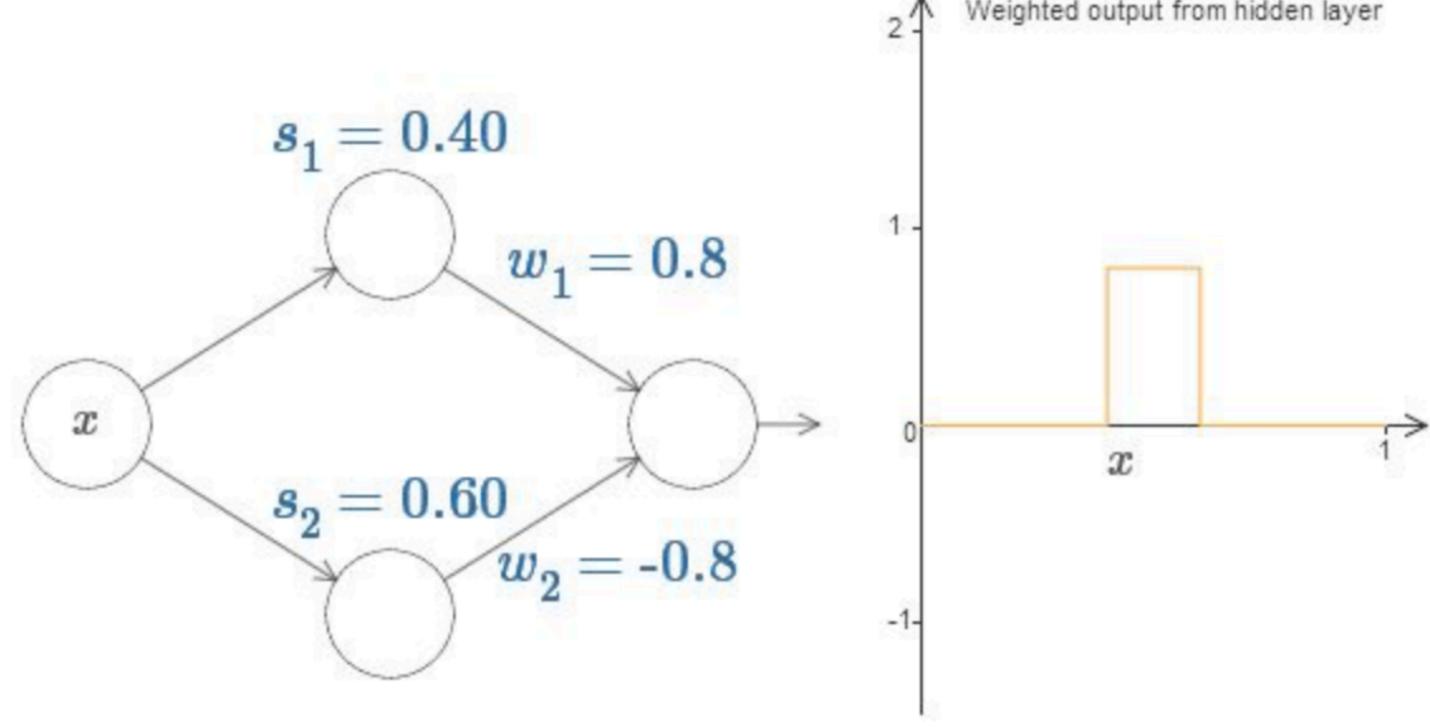


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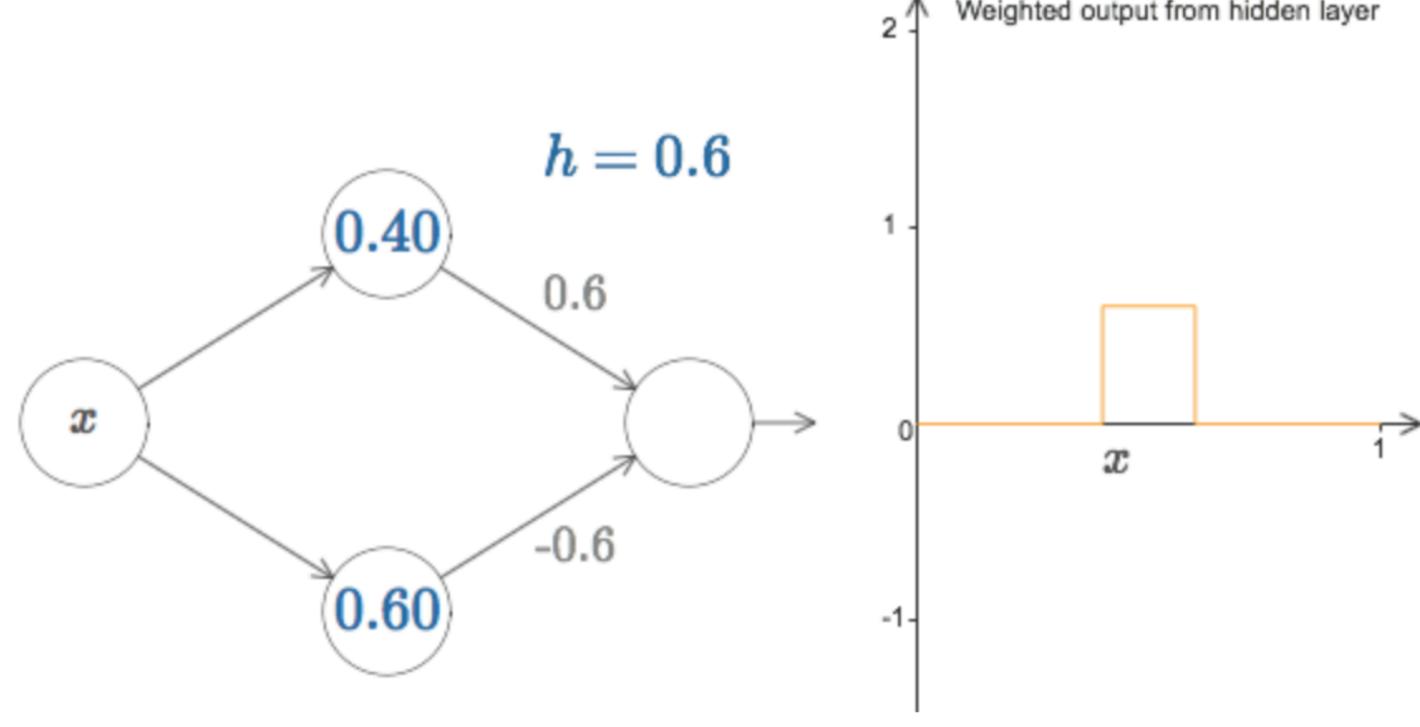
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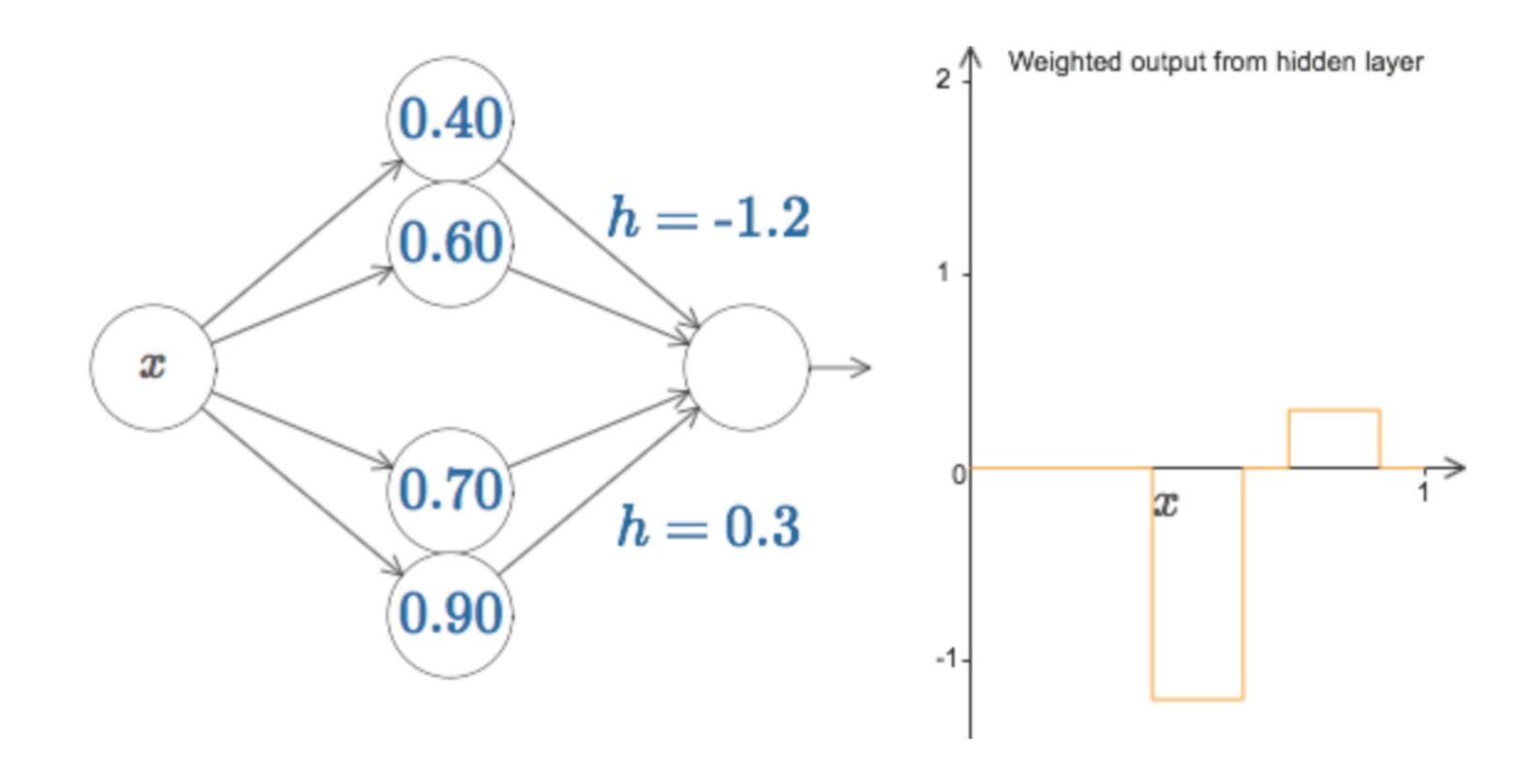


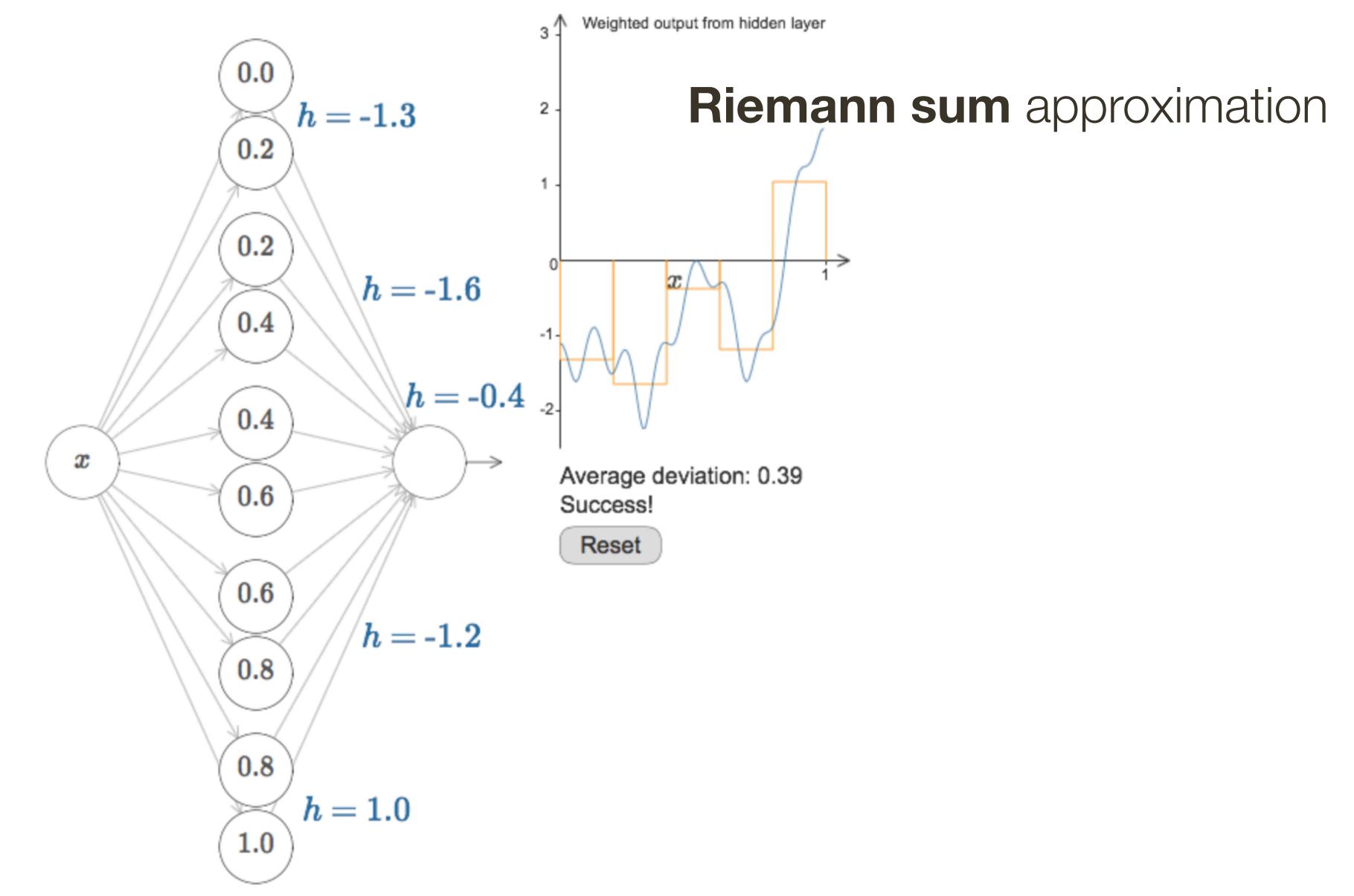
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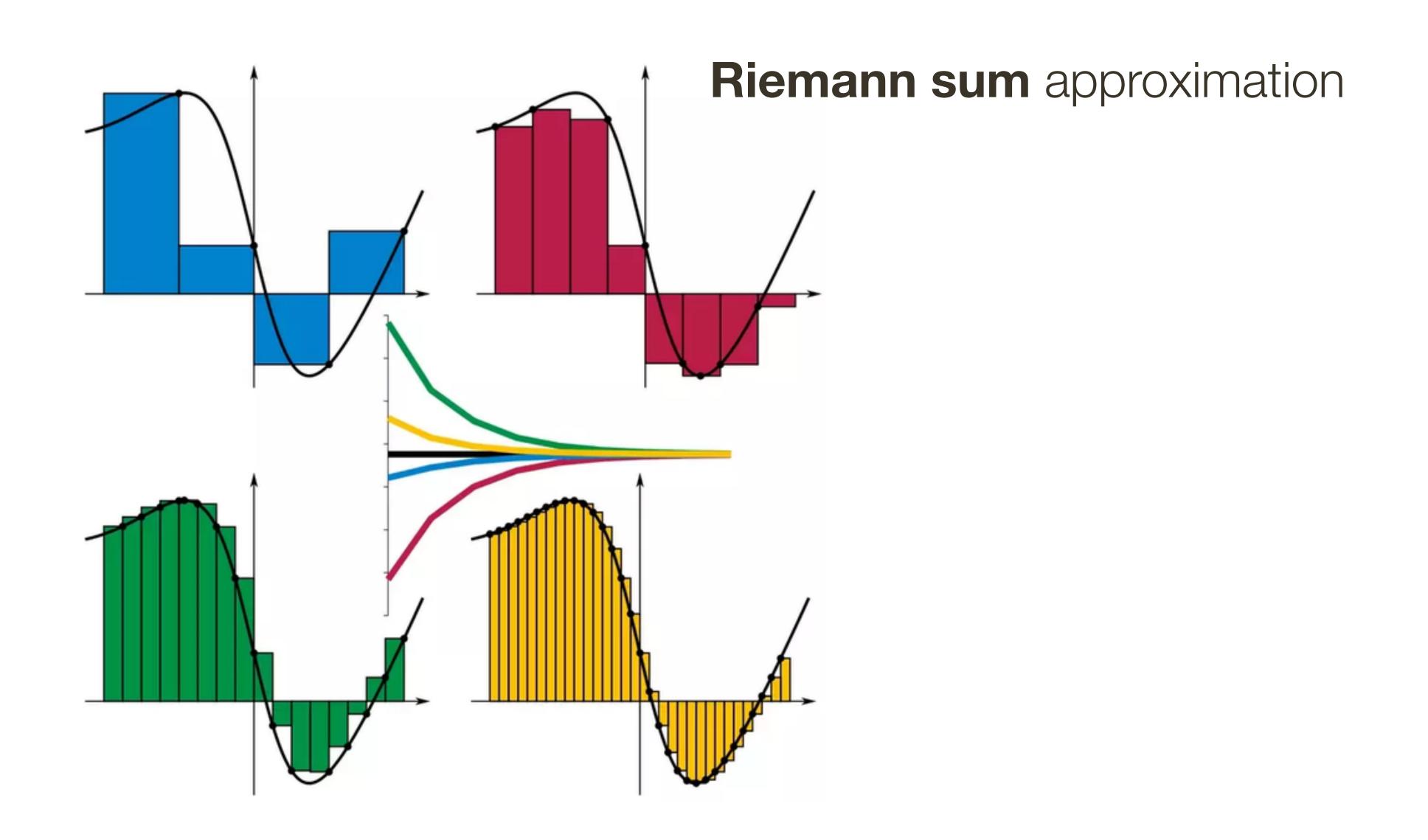
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Conditions needed for proof to hold: Activation function needs to be well defined

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} a(x) = A$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} a(x) = B$$

$$A \neq B$$

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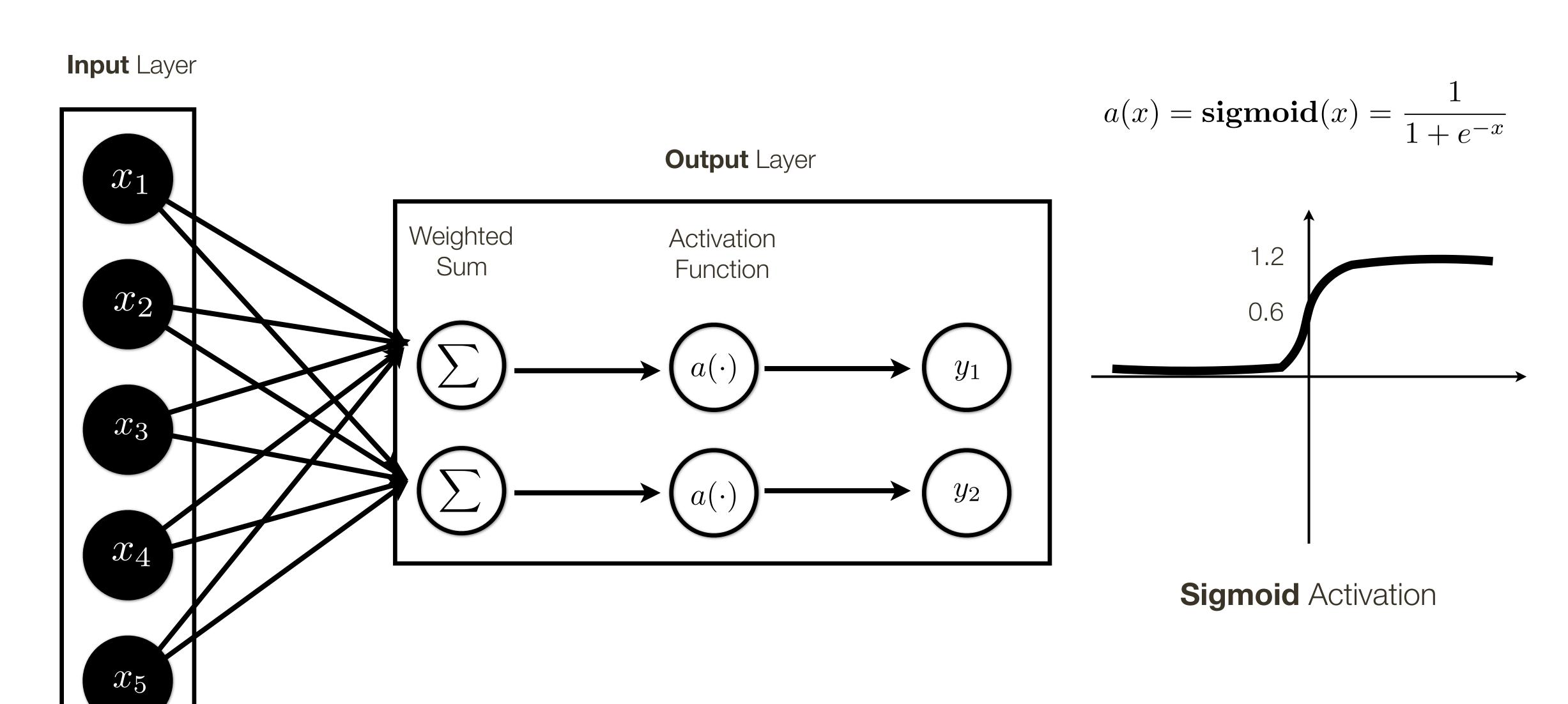
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Universal Approximation Theorem (further revised): ResNet with a single hidden unit and infinite depth can approximate any continuous function.

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## Learning Parameters of One-layer Neural Network

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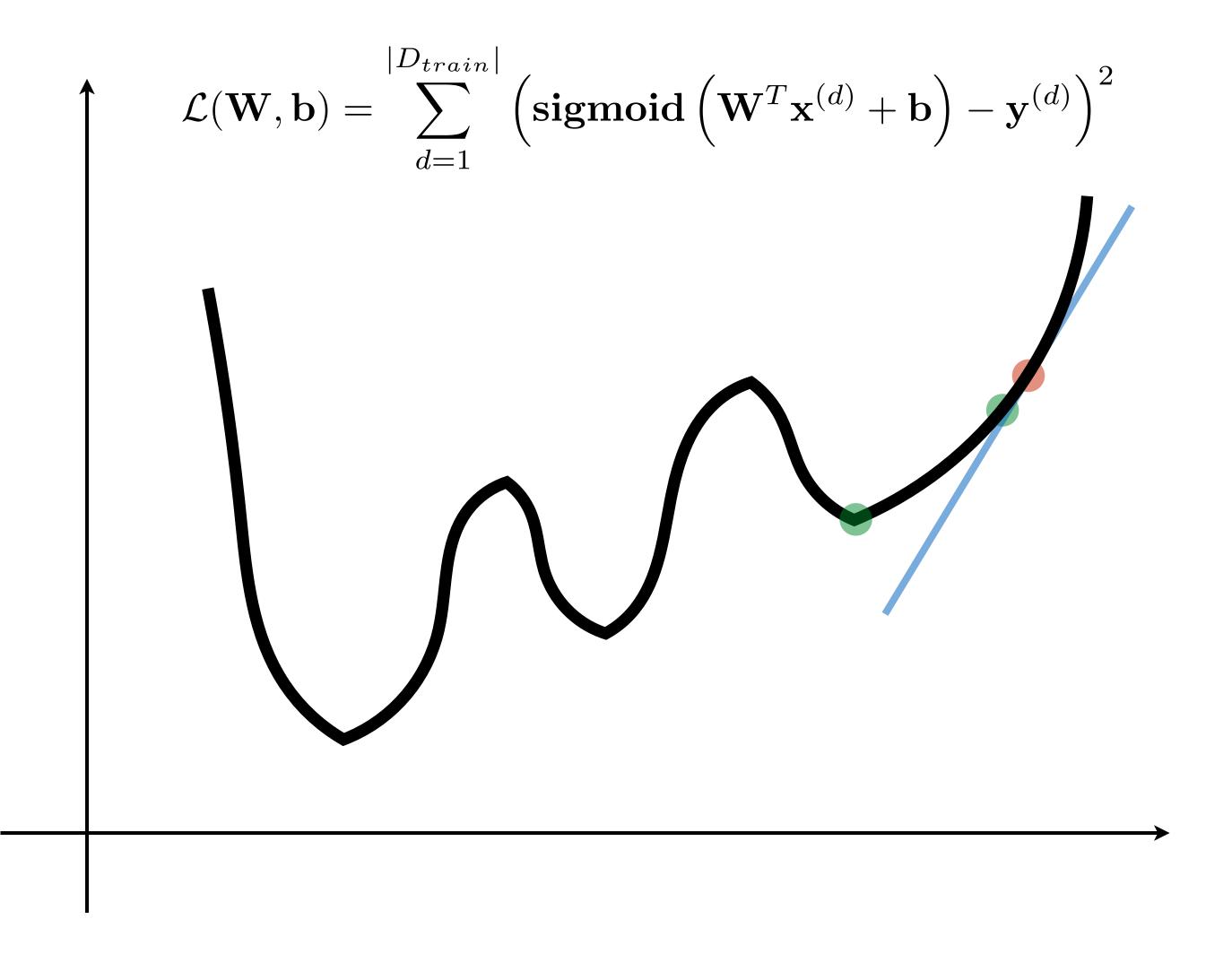
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Problem: No closed form solution

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## Gradient Descent (review)



 $\lambda$  - is the learning rate

1. Start from random value of  $\mathbf{W}_0, \mathbf{b}_0$ 

For k=0 to max number of iterations

2. Compute gradient of the loss with respect to previous (initial) parameters:

$$\nabla \left. \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b}) \right|_{\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_k, \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}_k}$$

3. Re-estimate the parameters

$$\mathbf{W}_{k+1} = \mathbf{W}_k - \underline{\lambda} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b})}{\partial \mathbf{W}} \Big|_{\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}_k, \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}_k}$$

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## Stochastic Gradient Descent (review)

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Problem: For large datasets computing sum is expensive

**Solution:** Compute approximate gradient with mini-batches of much smaller size (as little as 1-example sometimes)

Problem: How do we compute the actual gradient?

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Even better, we can use central differencing:

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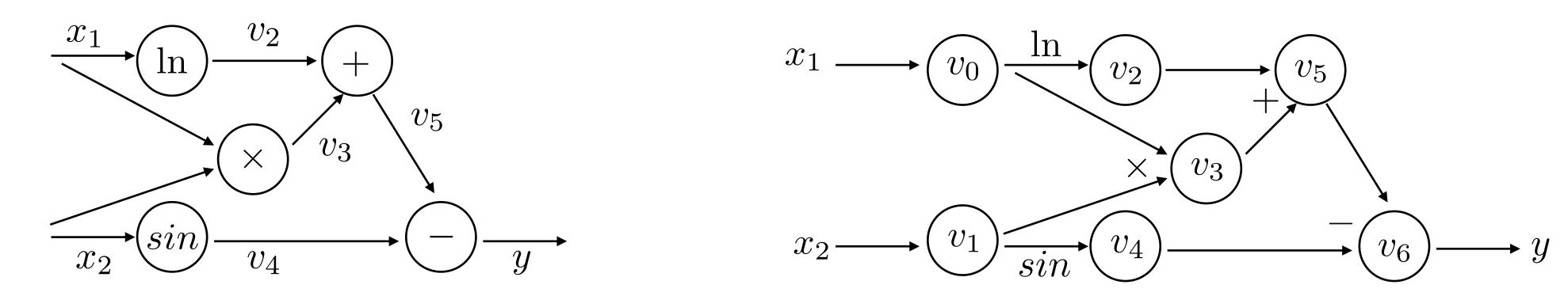
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However, both of theses suffer from rounding errors and are not good enough for learning (they are very good tools for checking the correctness of implementation though, e.g., use h = 0.000001).

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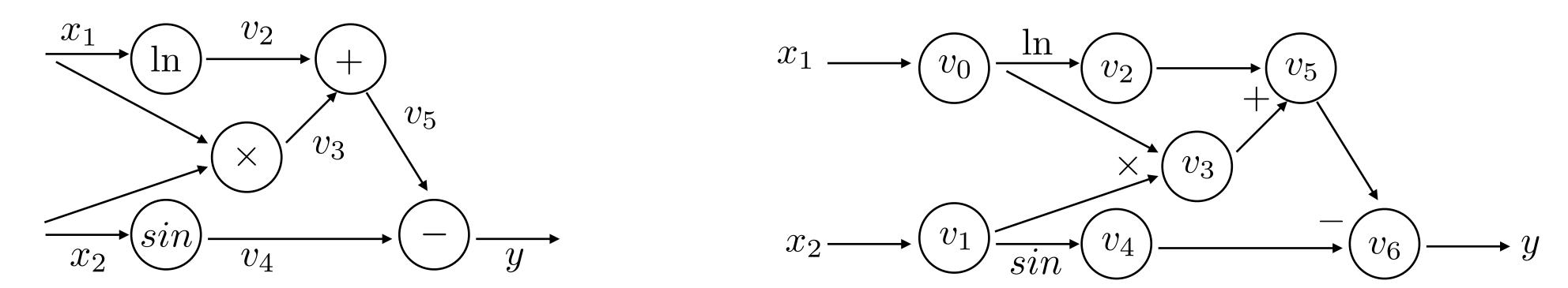
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Problem: For complex functions, expressions can be exponentially large; also difficult to deal with piece-wise functions (creates many symbolic cases)

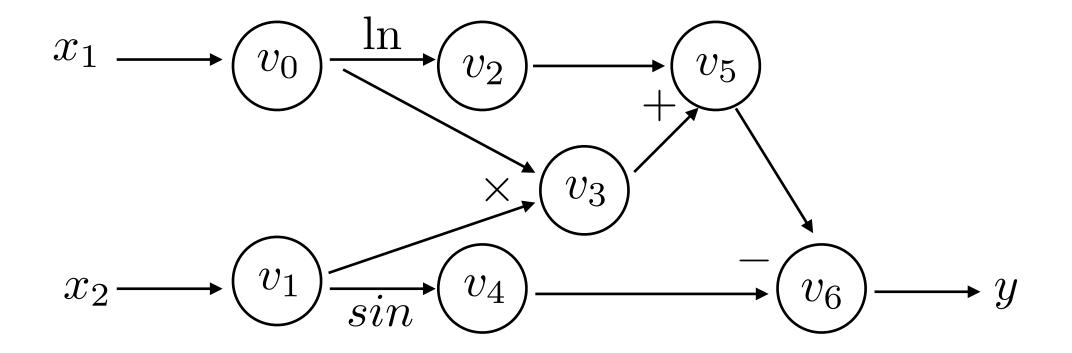
# **Automatic** Differentiation (AutoDiff) $y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$

Intuition: Interleave symbolic differentiation and simplification

**Key Idea:** apply symbolic differentiation at the elementary operation level, evaluate and keep intermediate results

Success of **deep learning** owes A LOT to success of AutoDiff algorithms (also to advances in parallel architectures, and large datasets, ...)

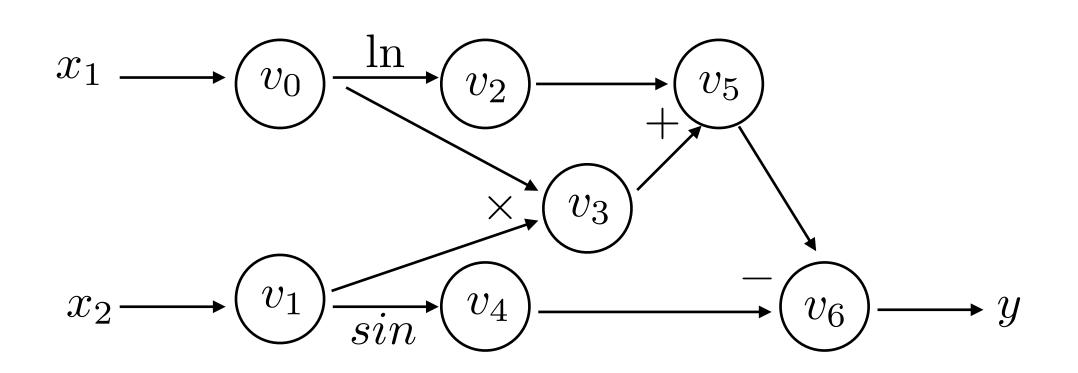
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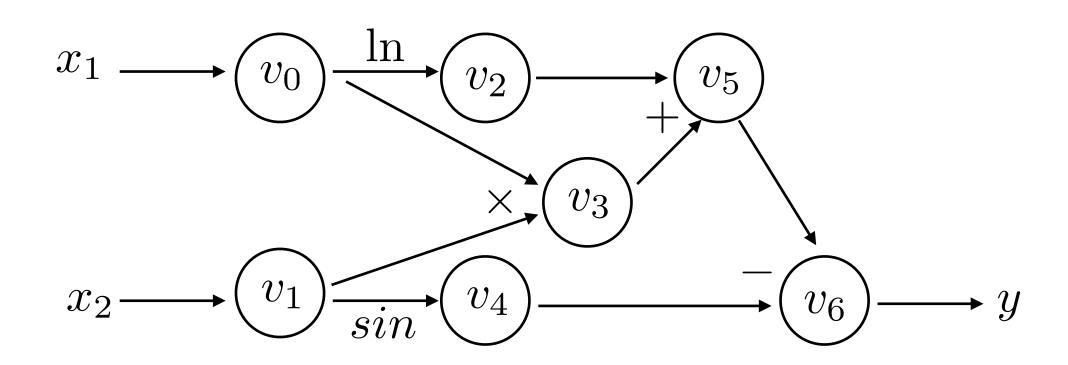
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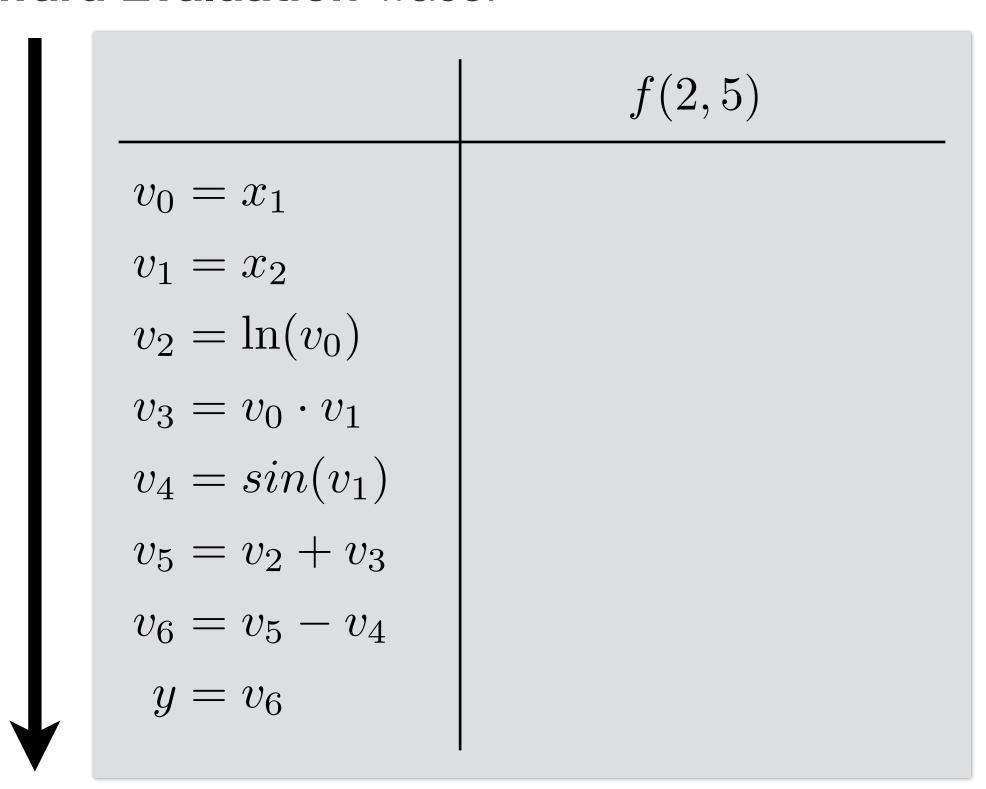
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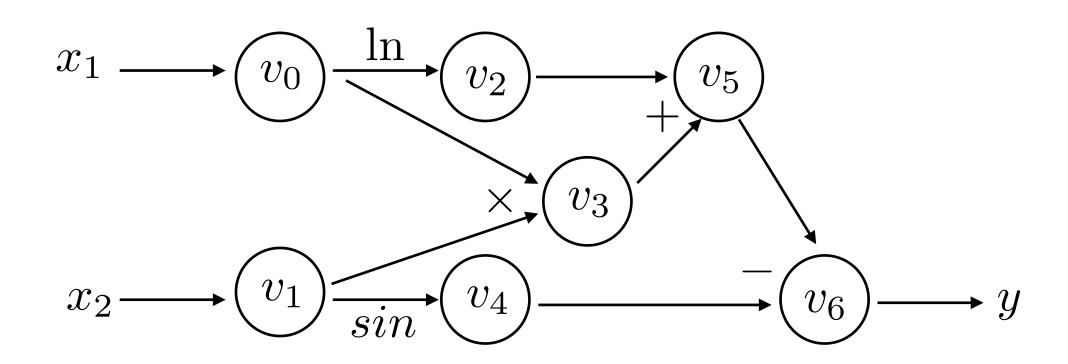
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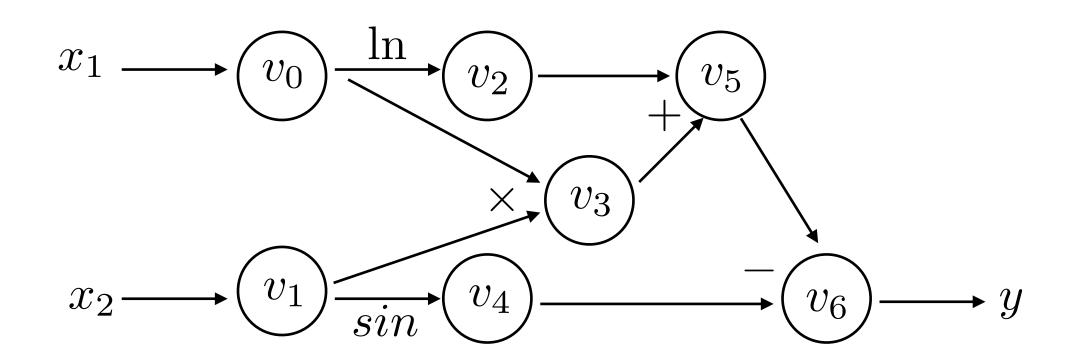
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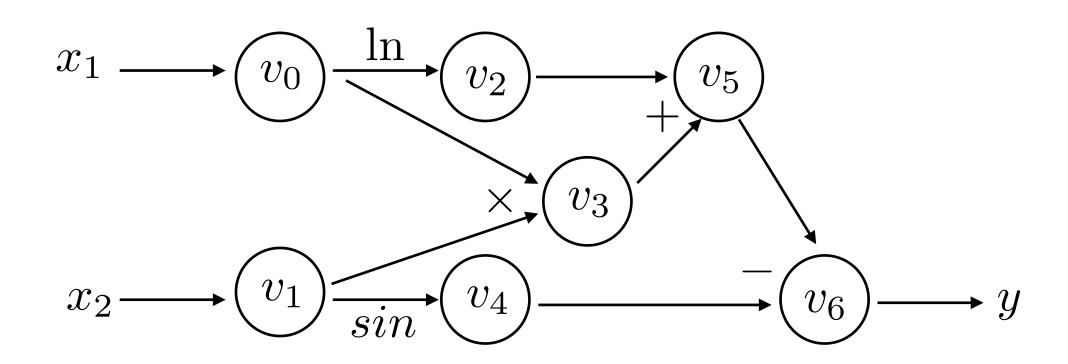
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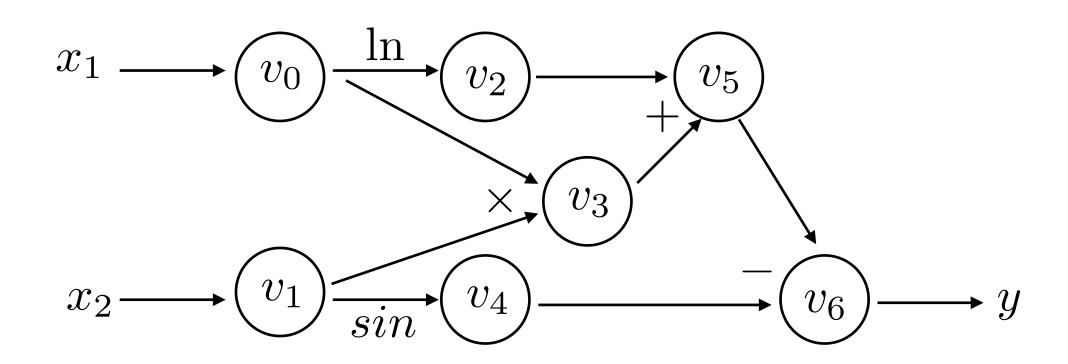
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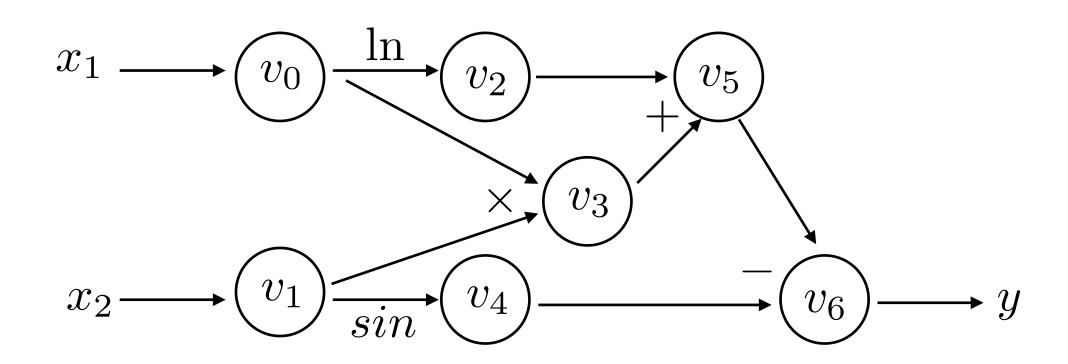
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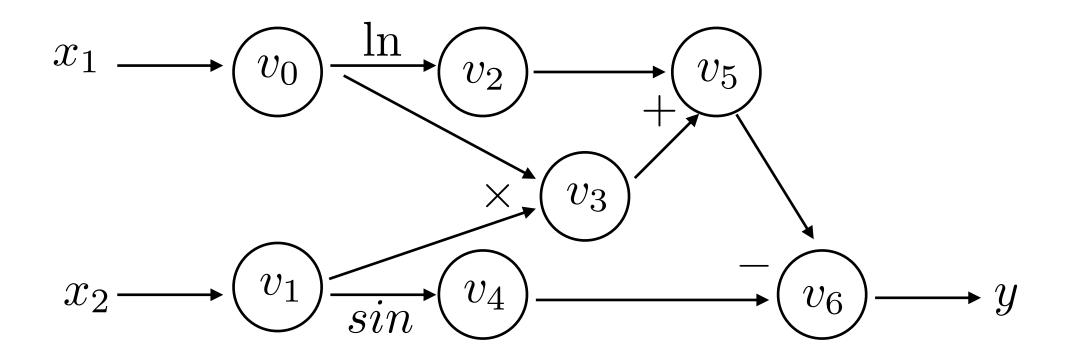


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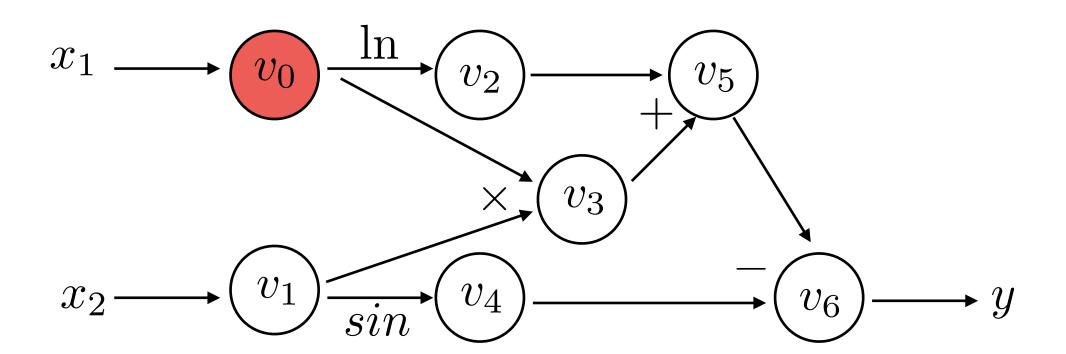
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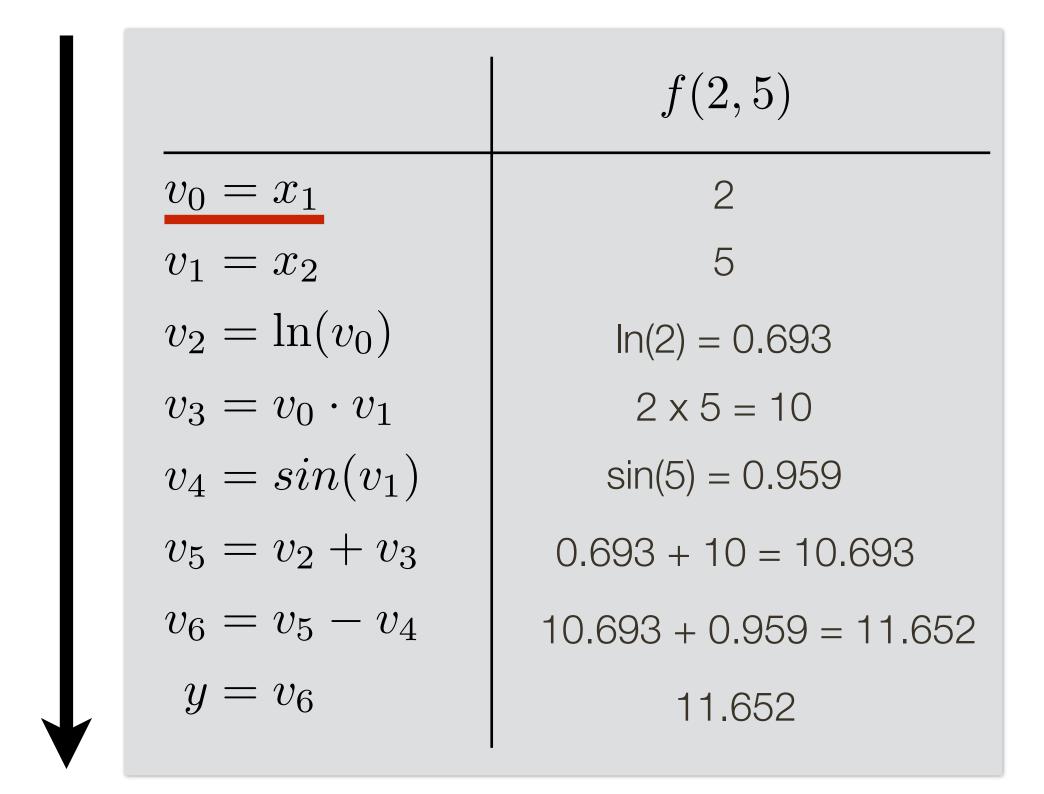
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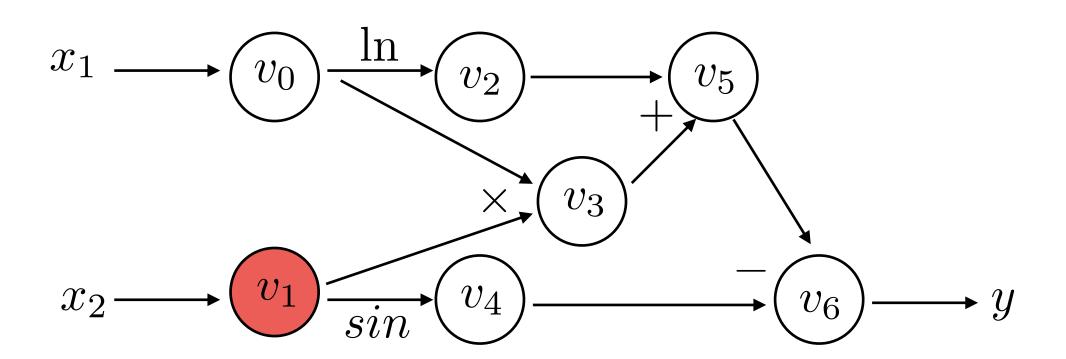
We will do this with **forward mode** first, by introducing a derivative of each variable node with respect to the input variable.

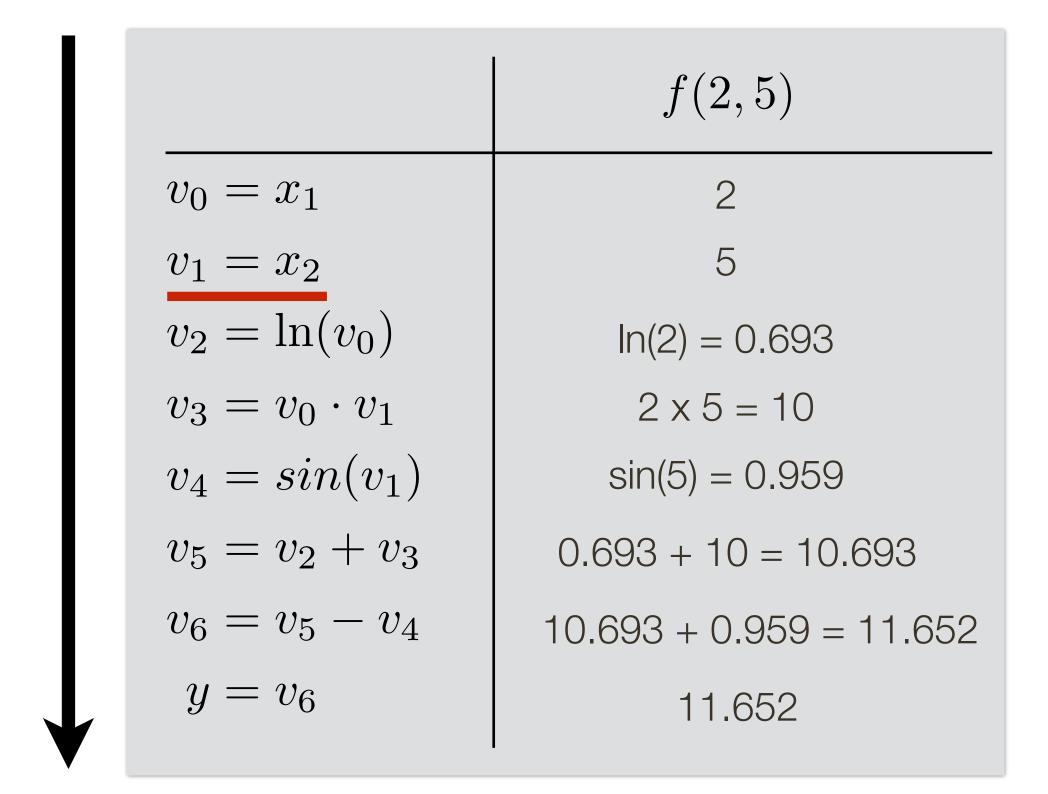




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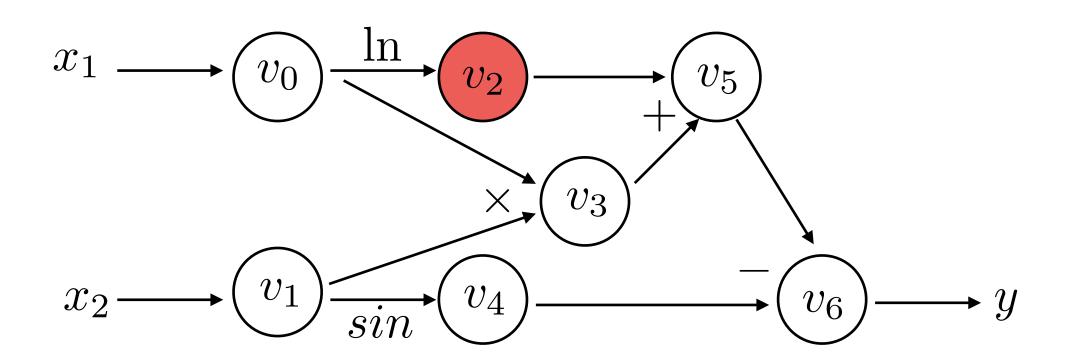
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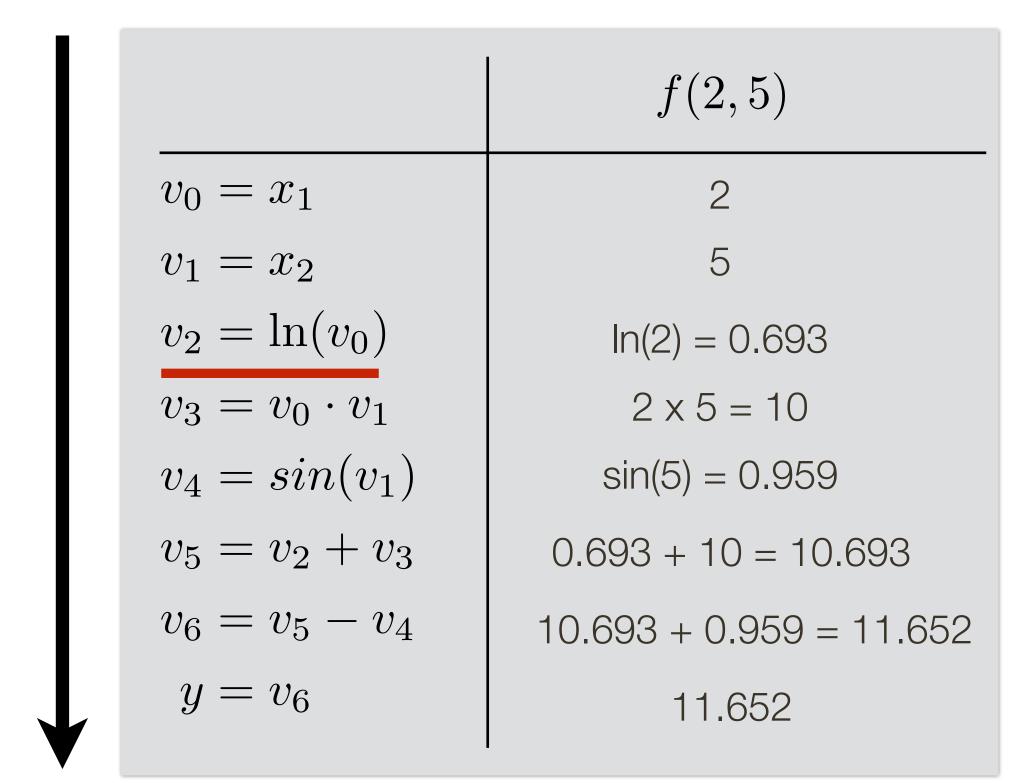




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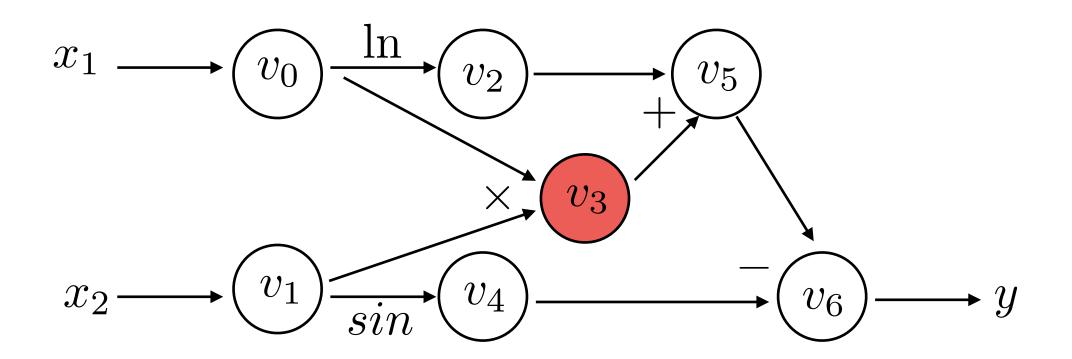
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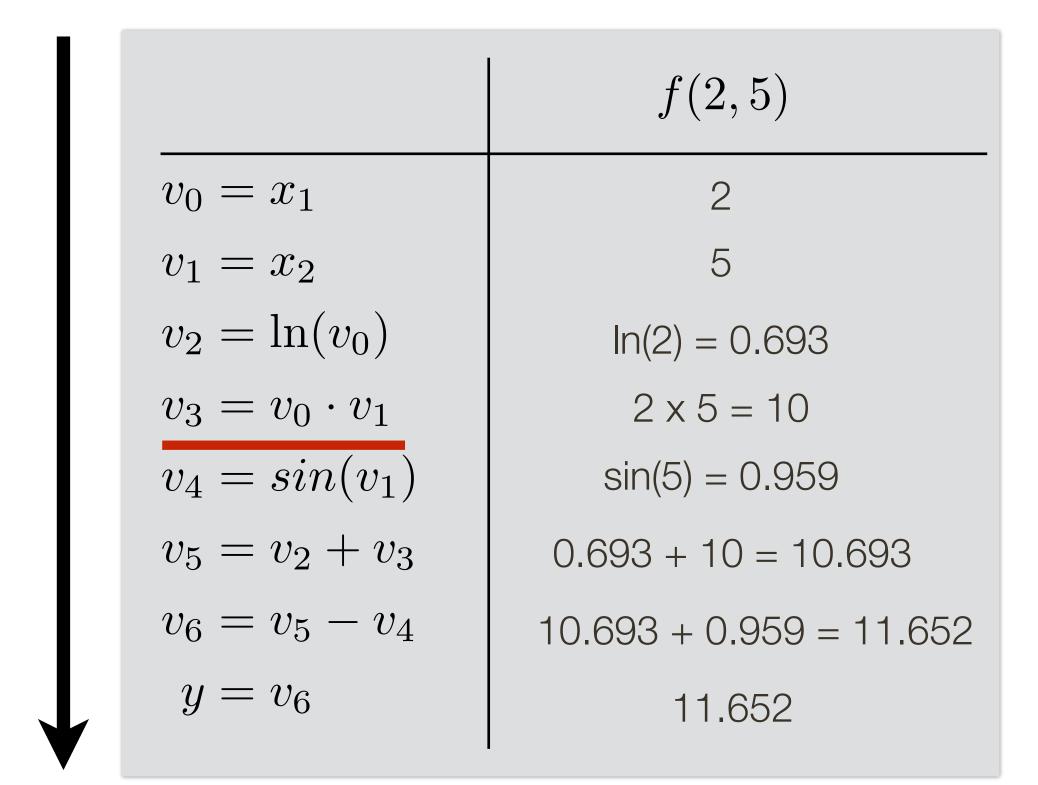


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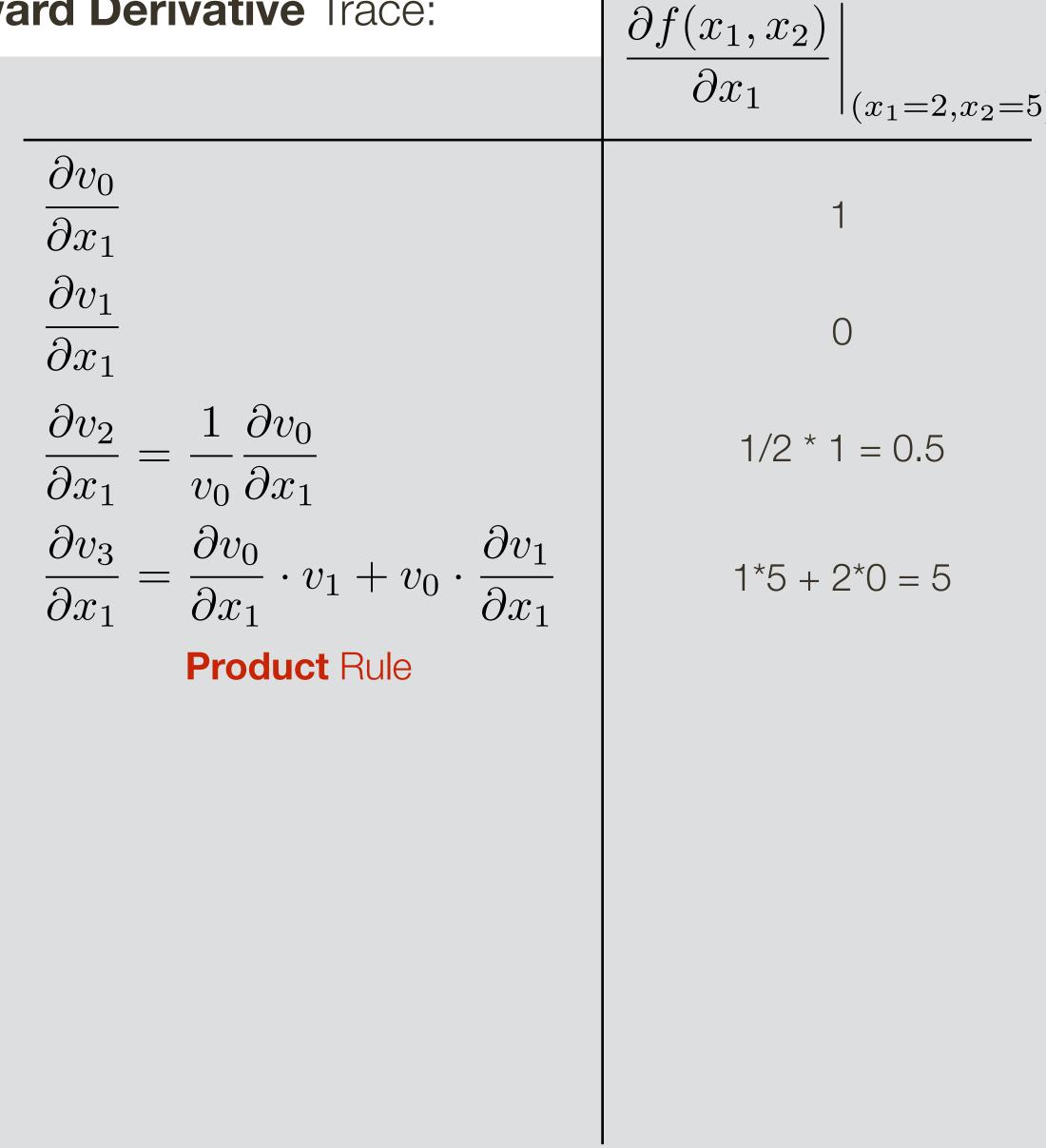


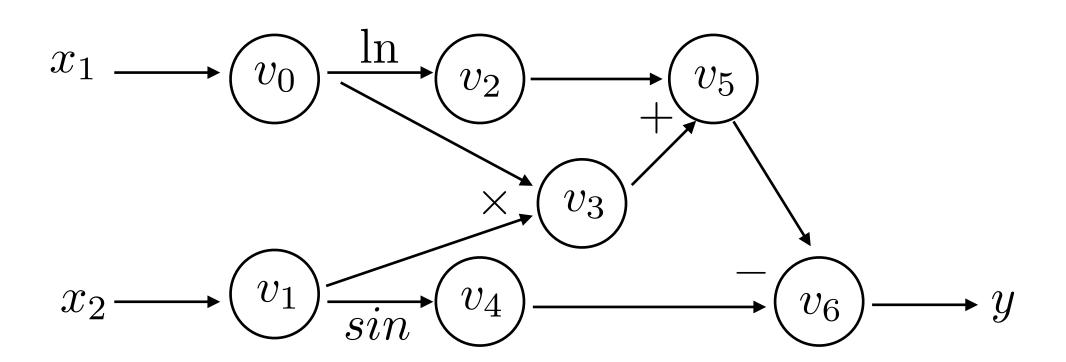
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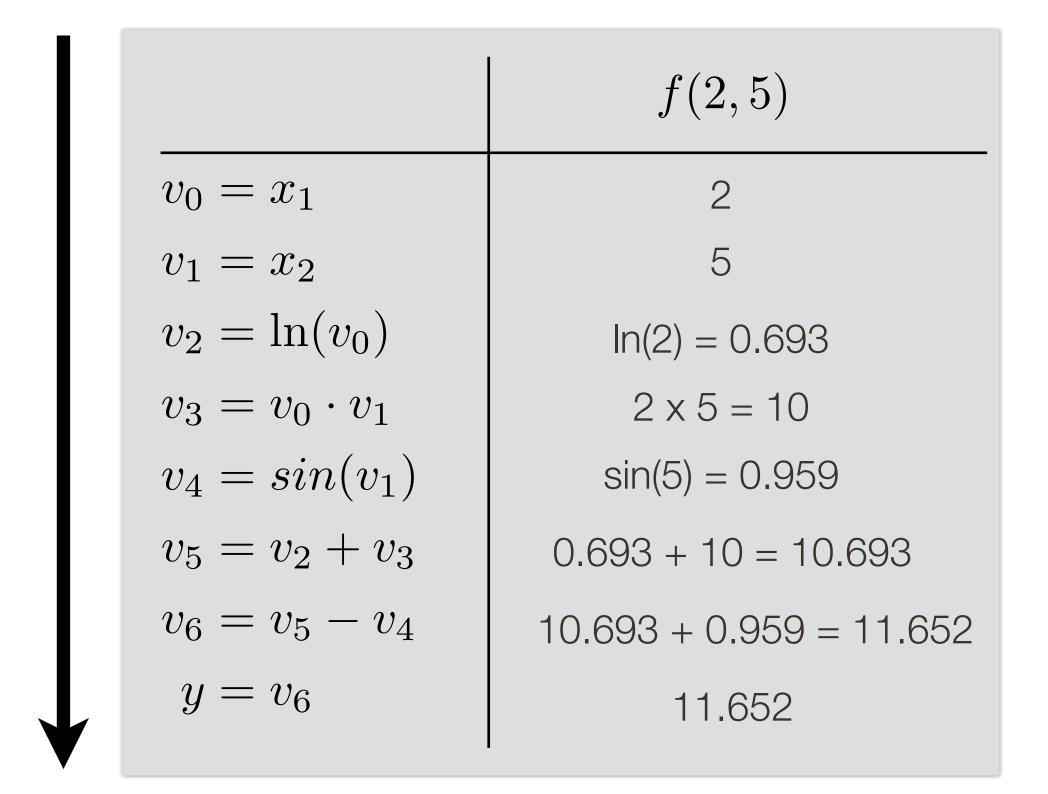


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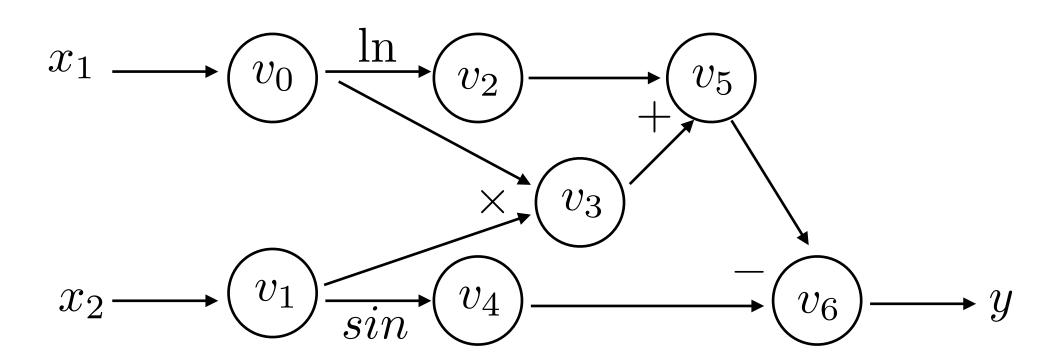






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#### We now have:

$$\left. \frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1} \right|_{(x_1 = 2, x_2 = 5)} = 5.5$$

### Still need:

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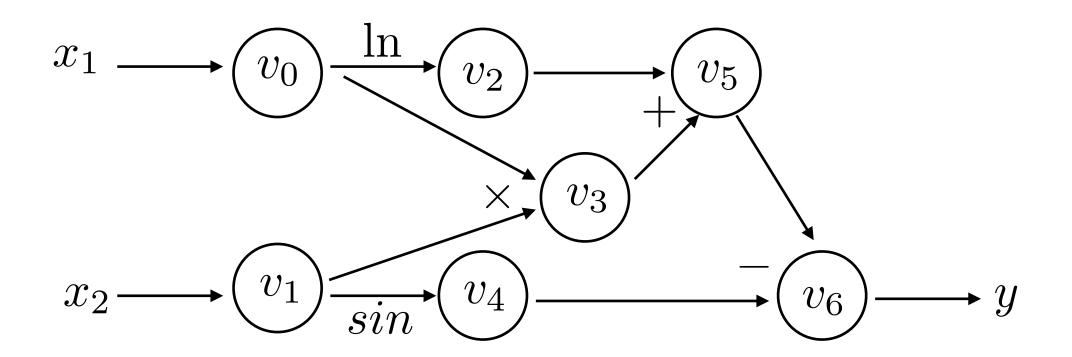
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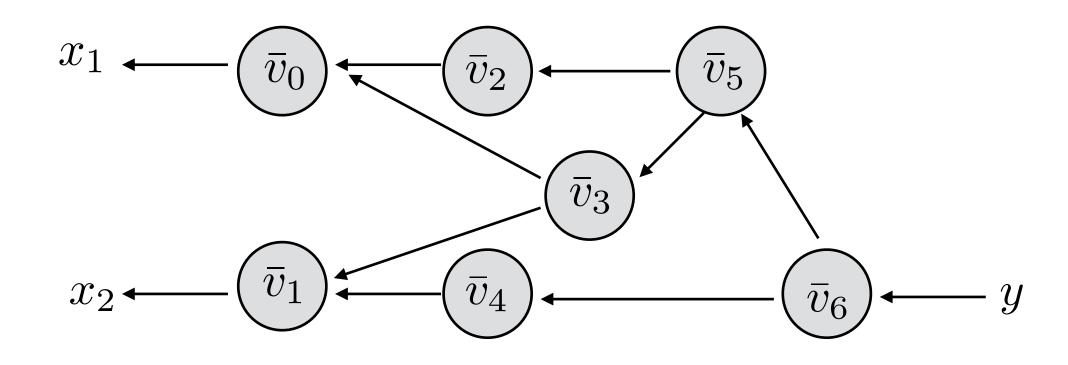
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Automatic differentiation in **reverse mode** computes all gradients in n backwards passes (so for most DNNs in a single back pass — **back propagation**)



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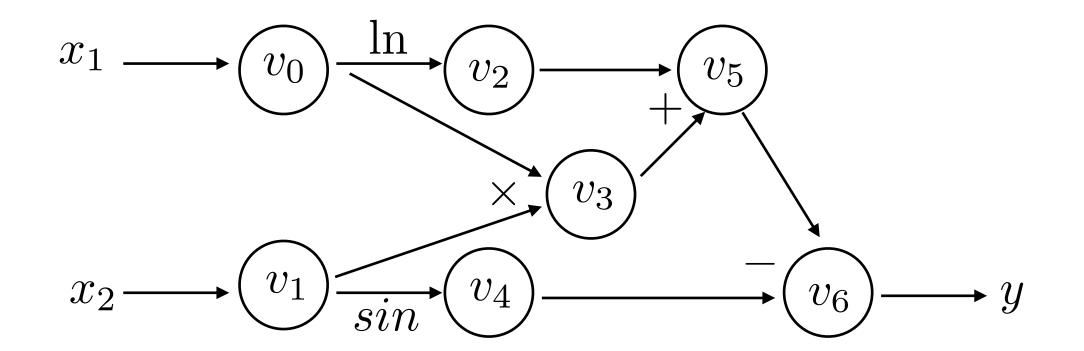
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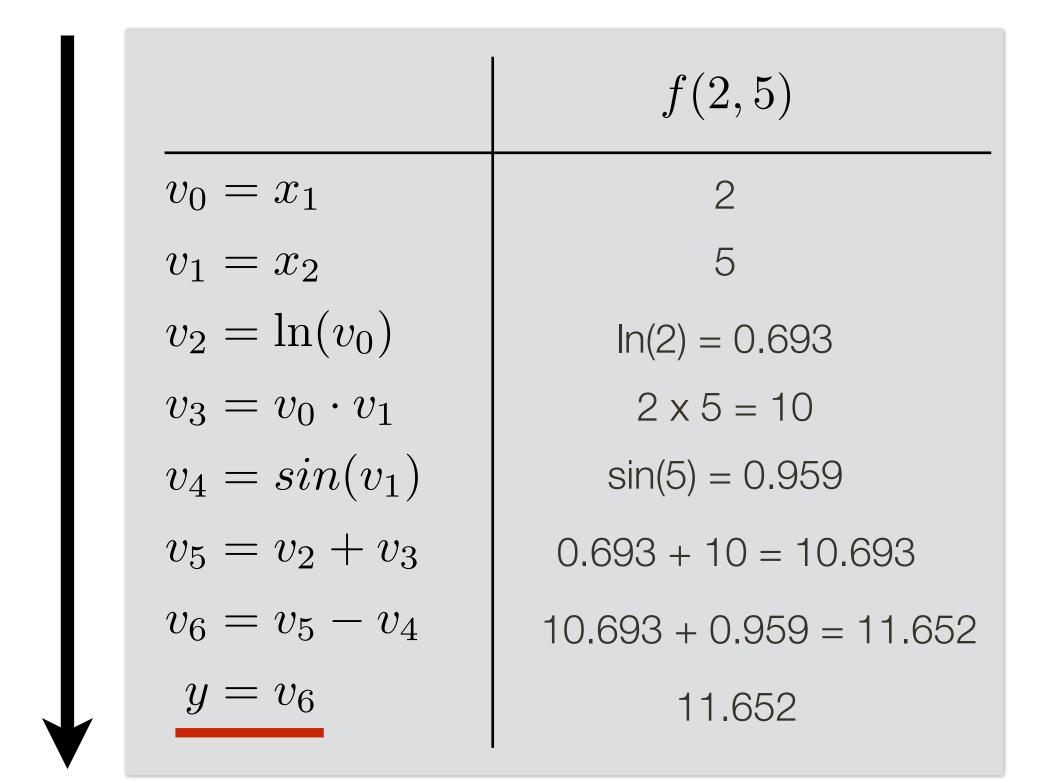
Traverse the original graph in the *reverse* topological order and for each node in the original graph introduce an **adjoint node**, which computes derivative of the output with respect to the local node (using Chain rule):

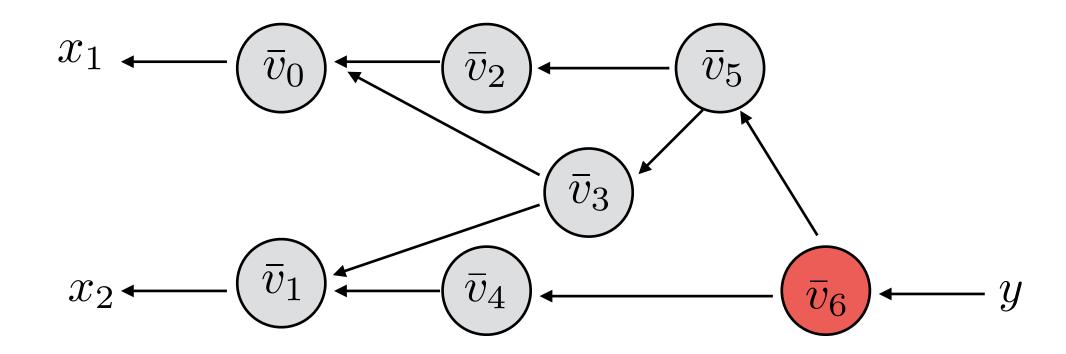
$$\bar{v}_i = \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial v_i} = \sum_{k \in \text{pa}(i)} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial v_i} \frac{\partial y_j}{\partial v_k} = \sum_{k \in \text{pa}(i)} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial v_i} \bar{v}_k$$

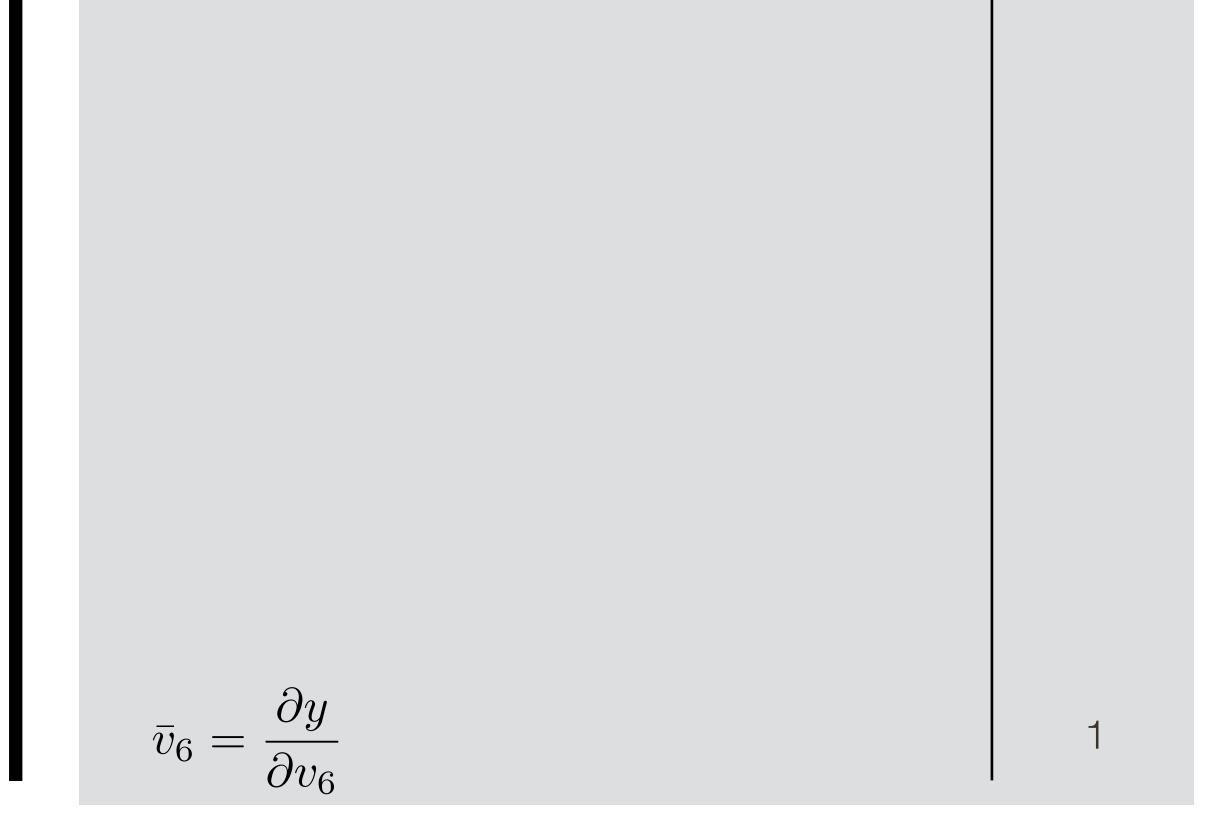
"local" derivative

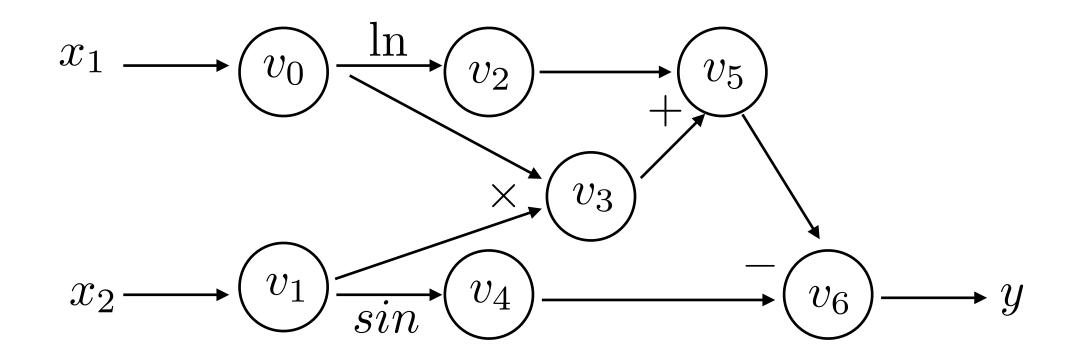


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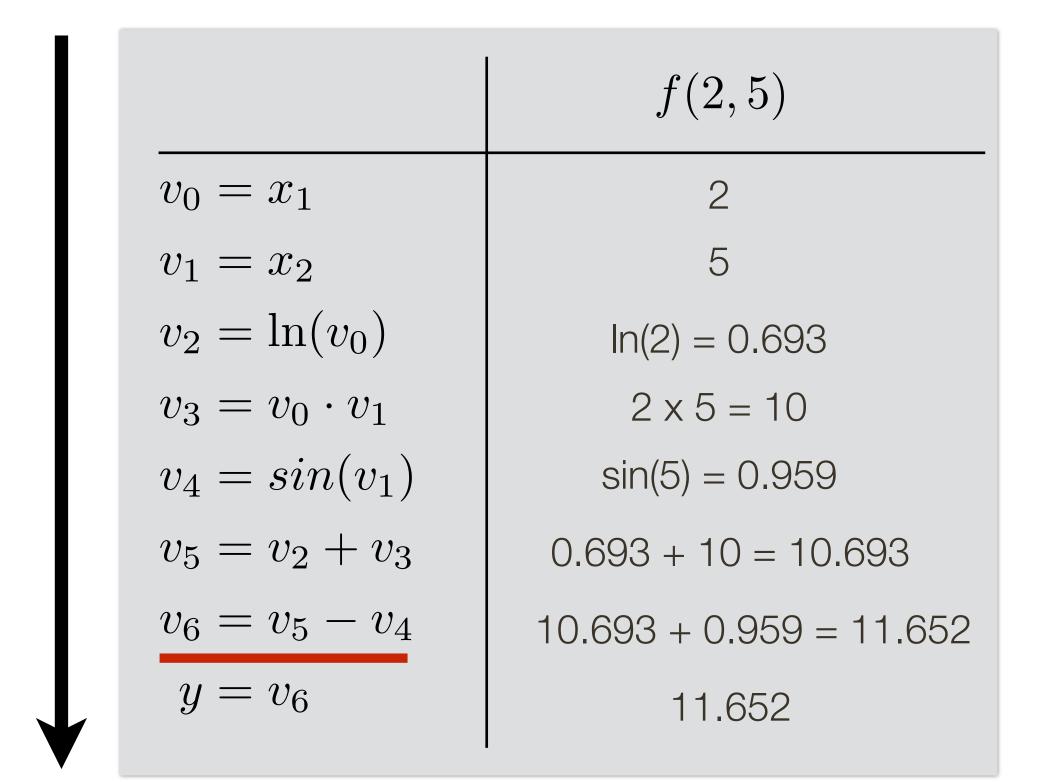


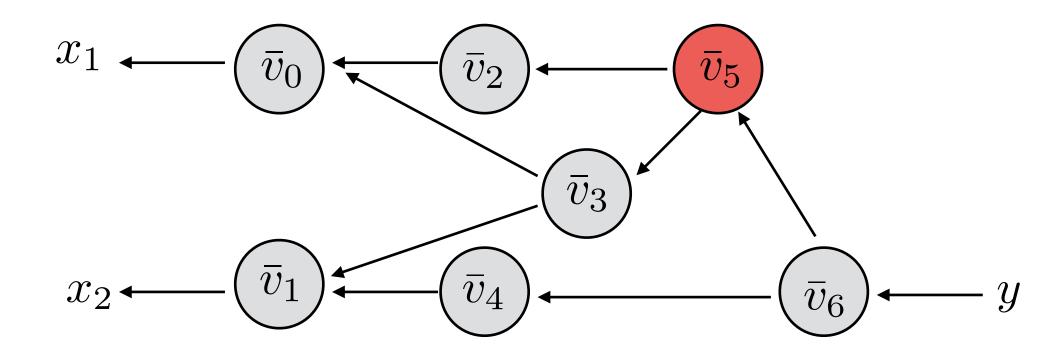


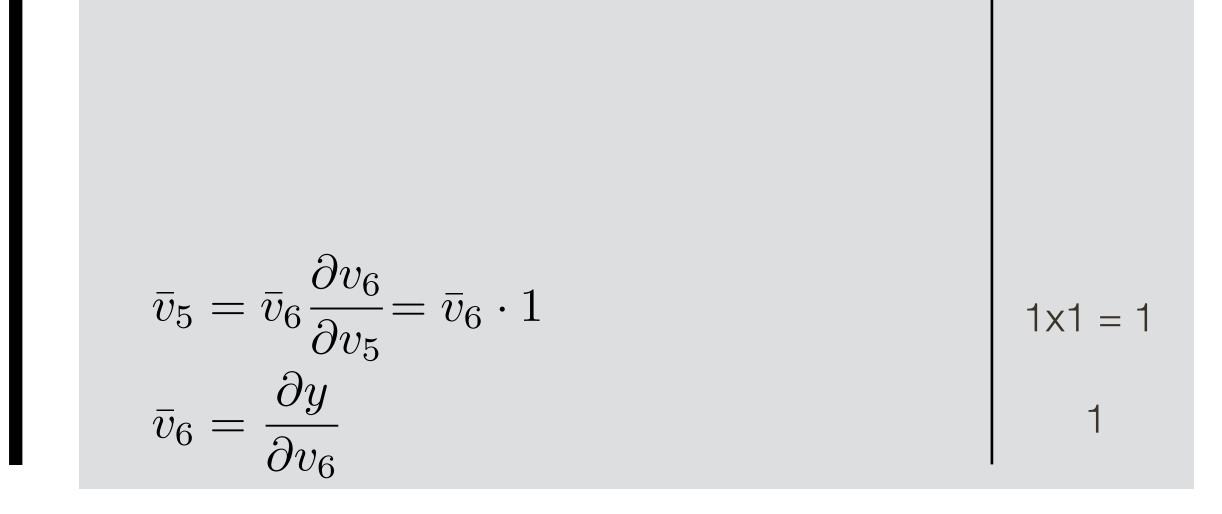


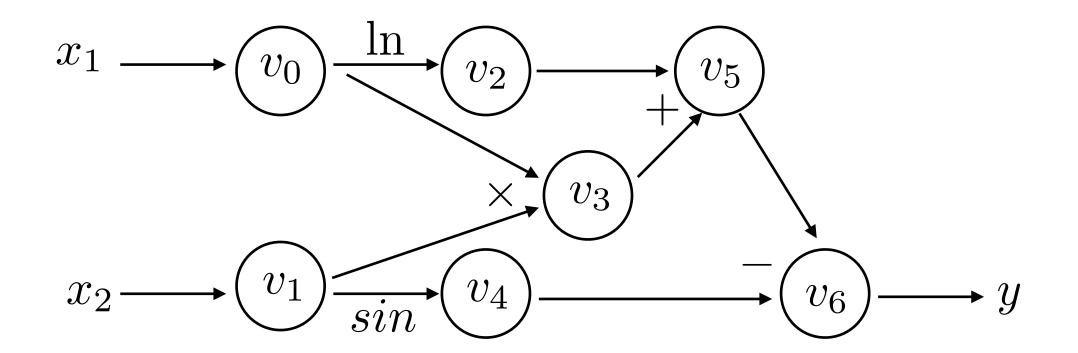


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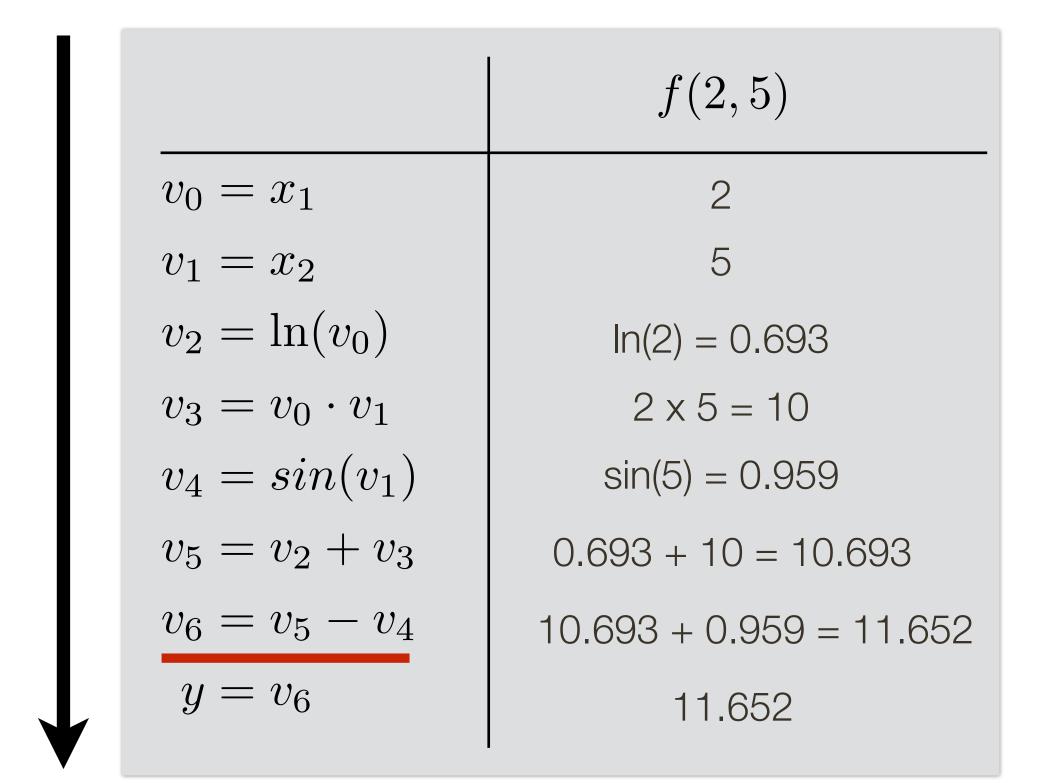


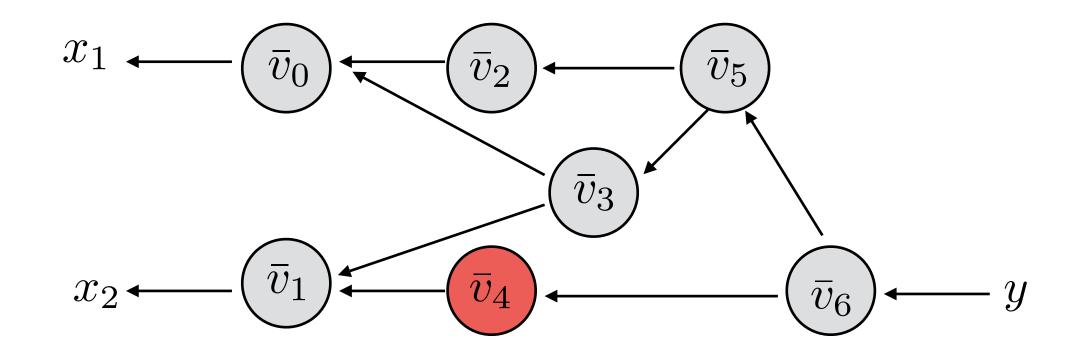


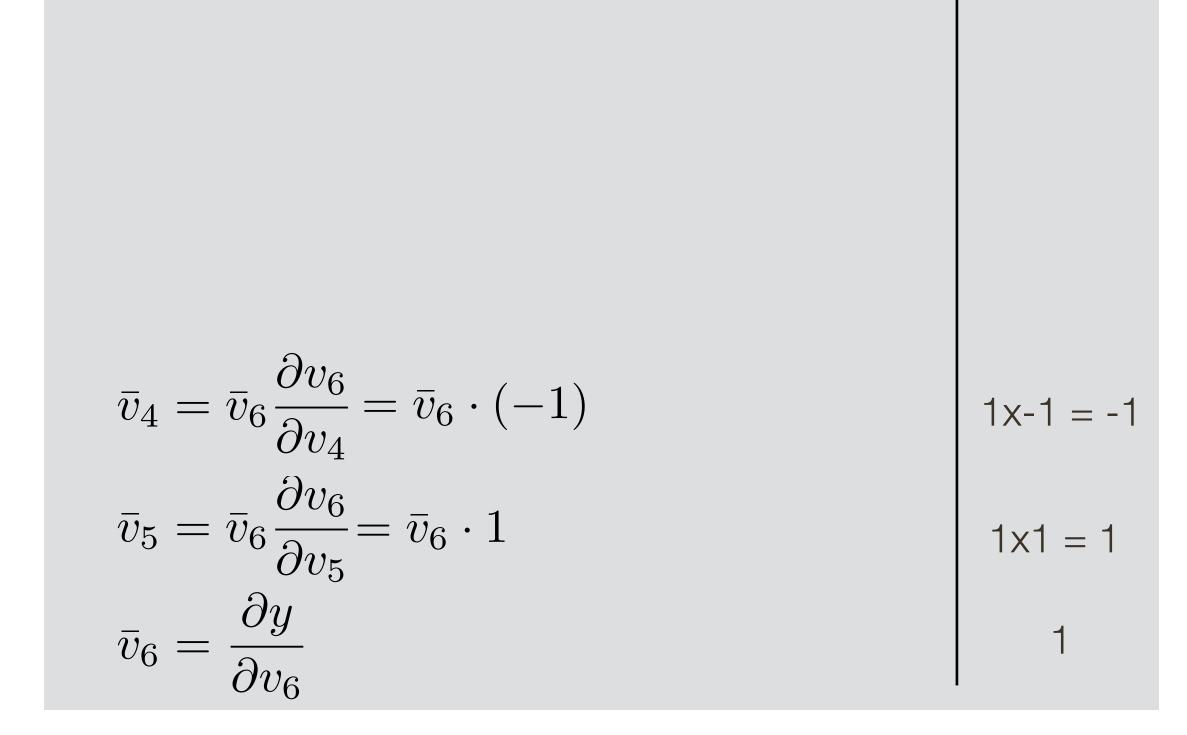


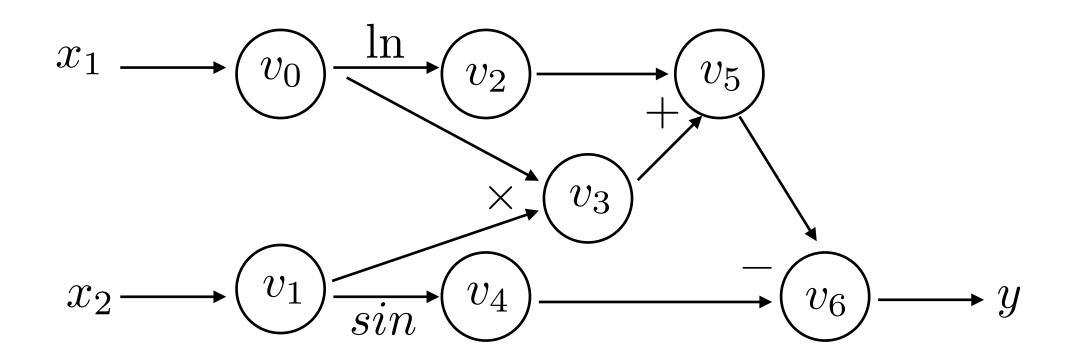


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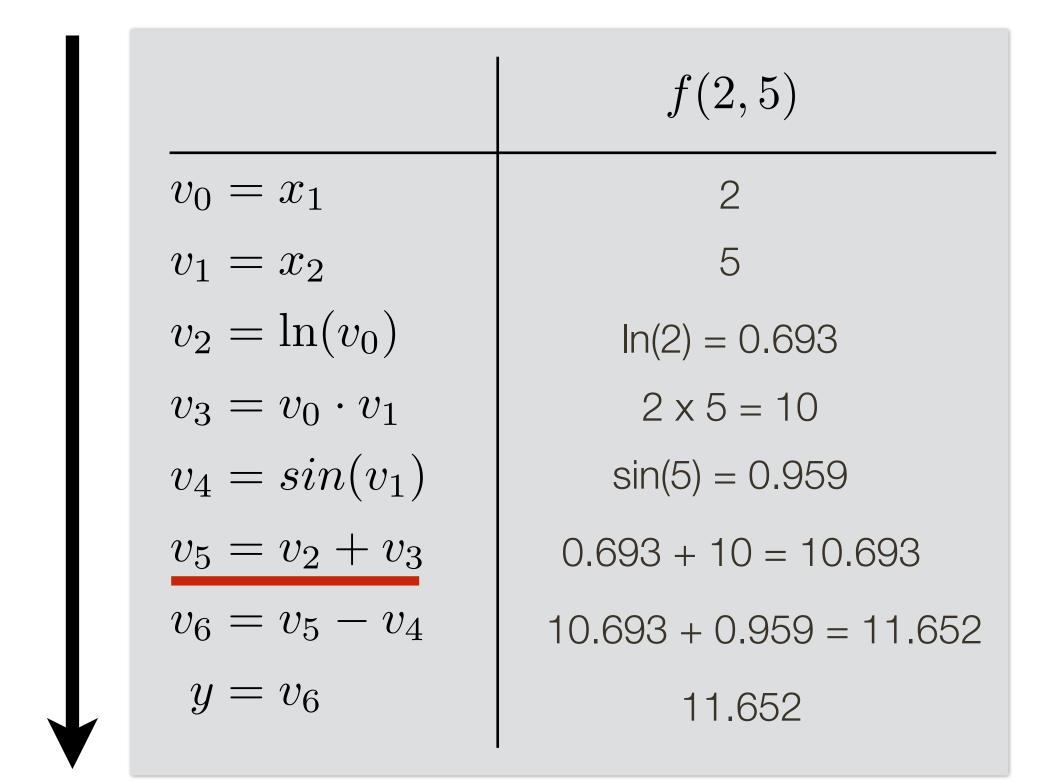


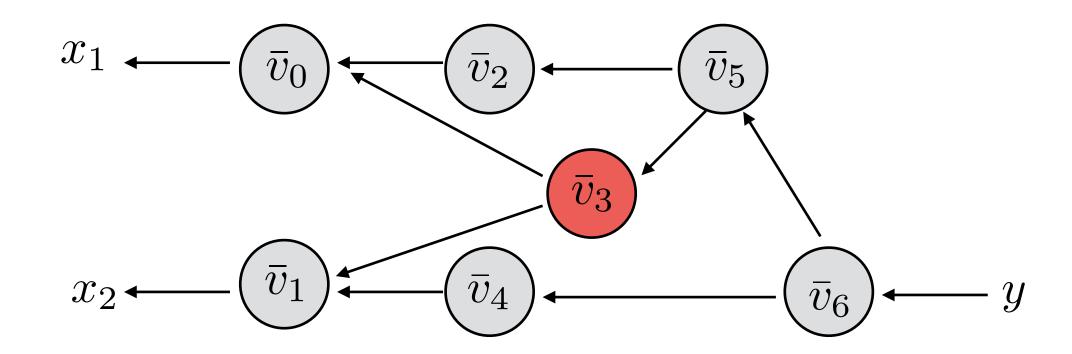


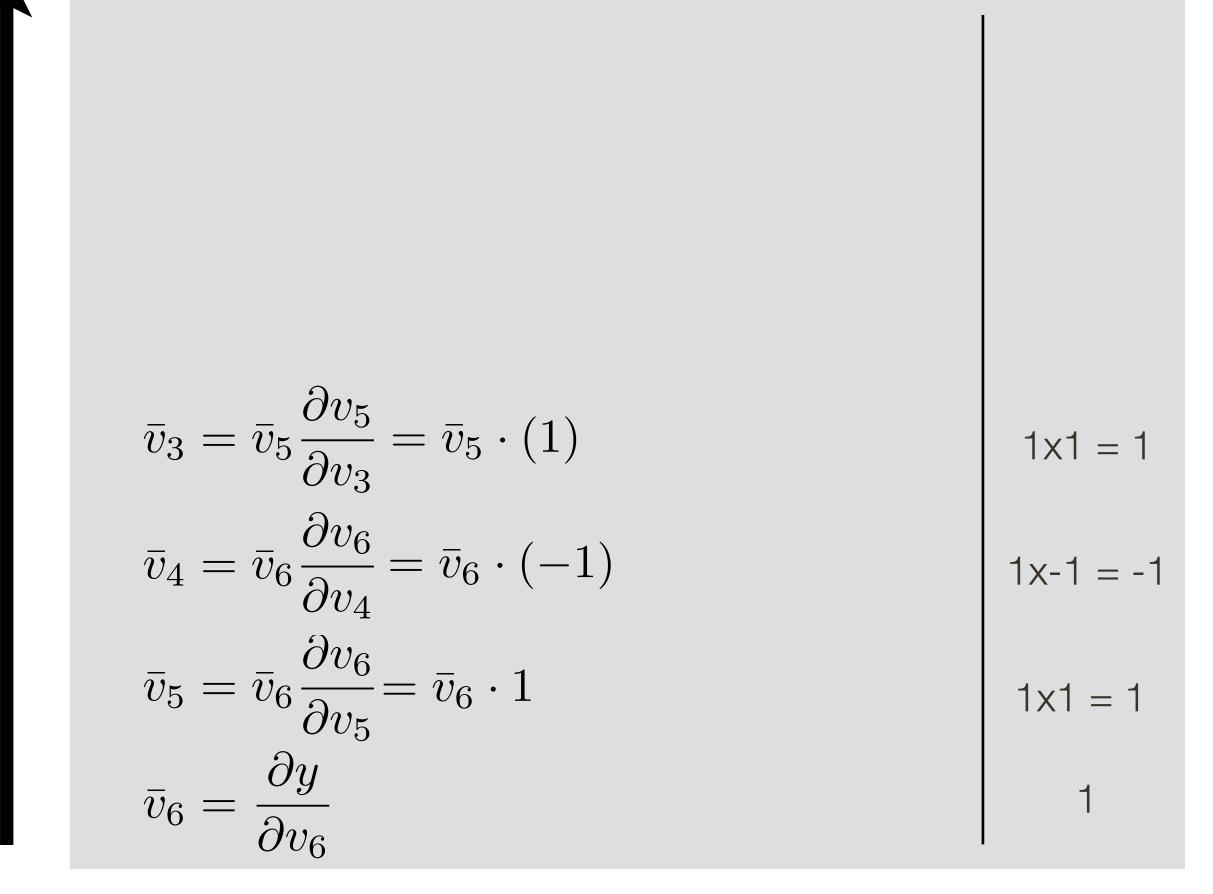


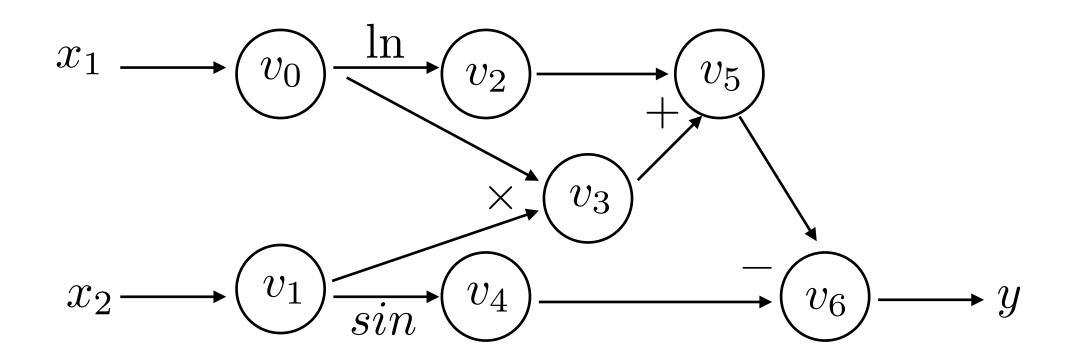


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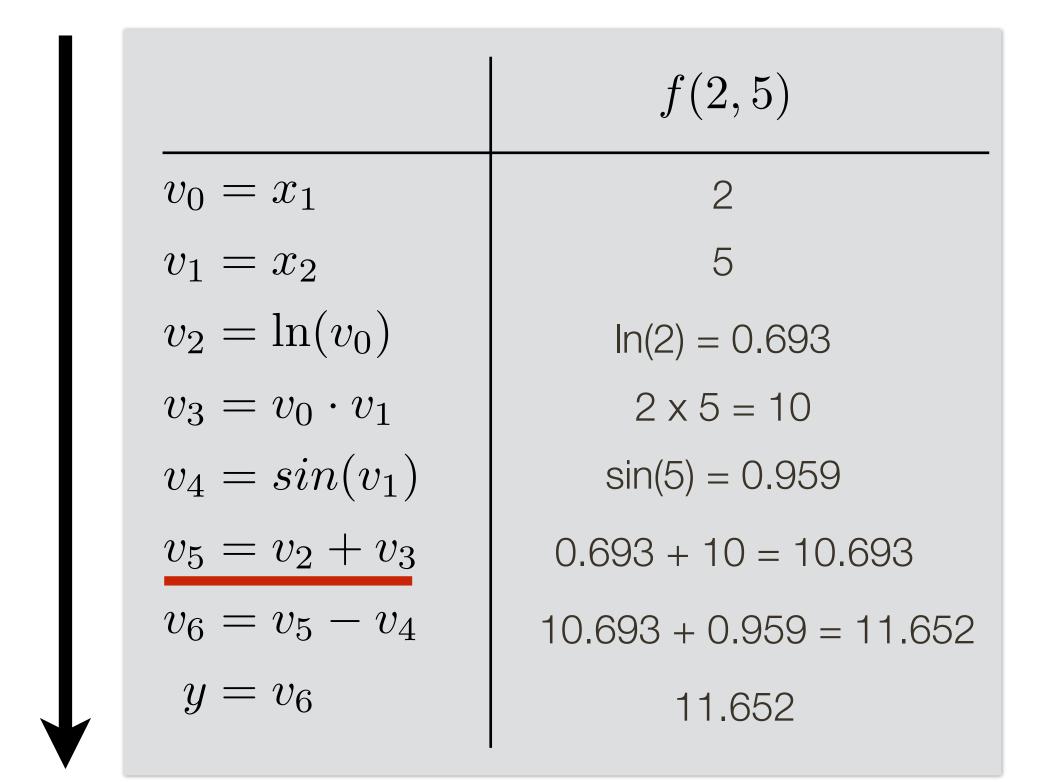


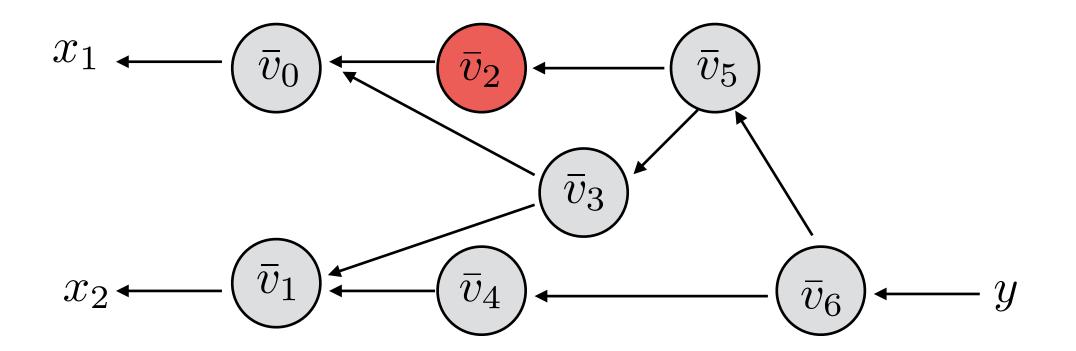


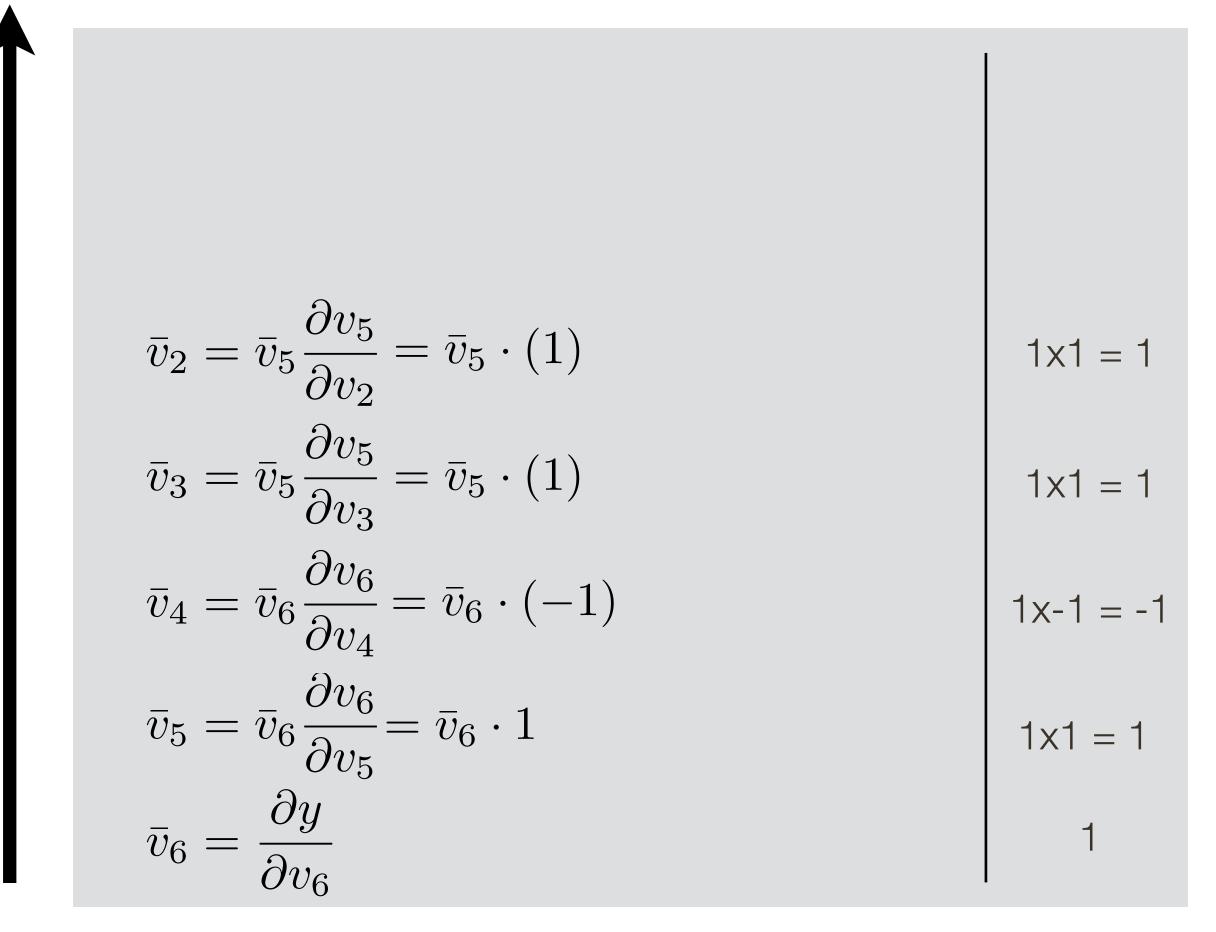


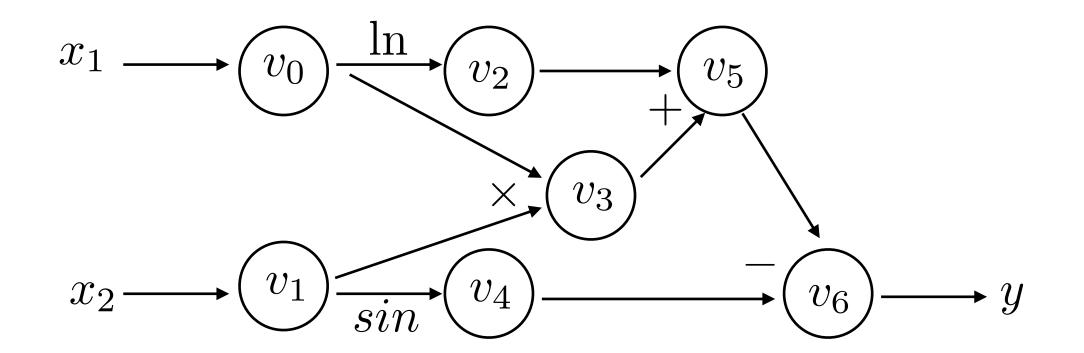


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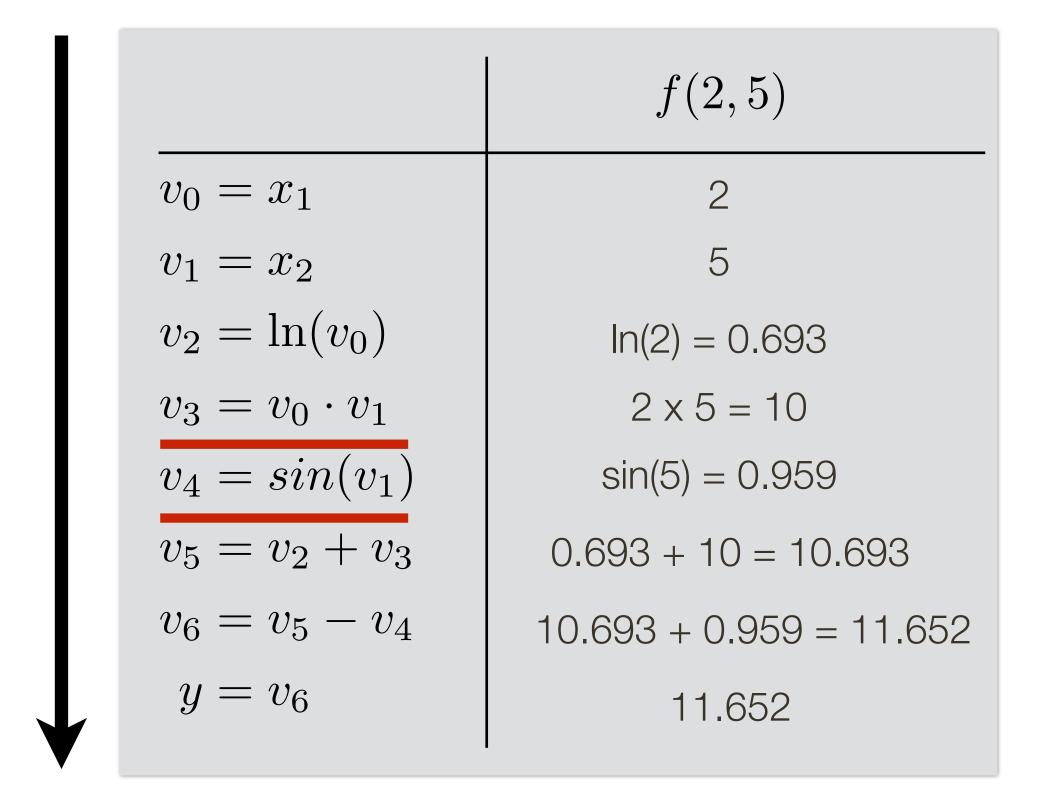


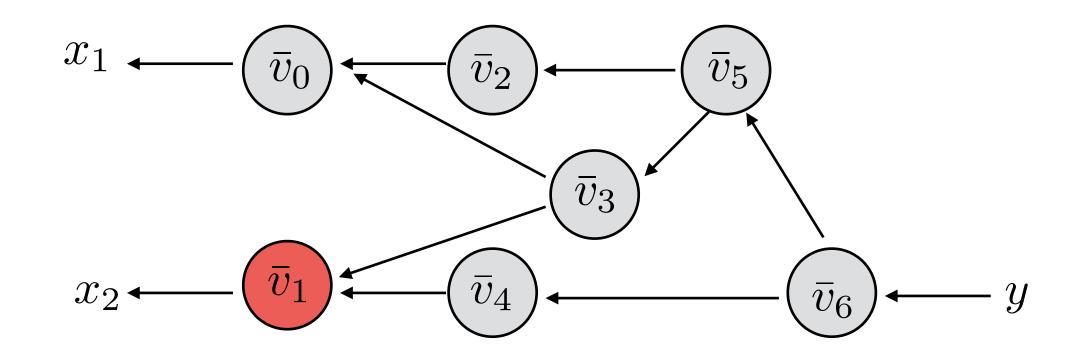


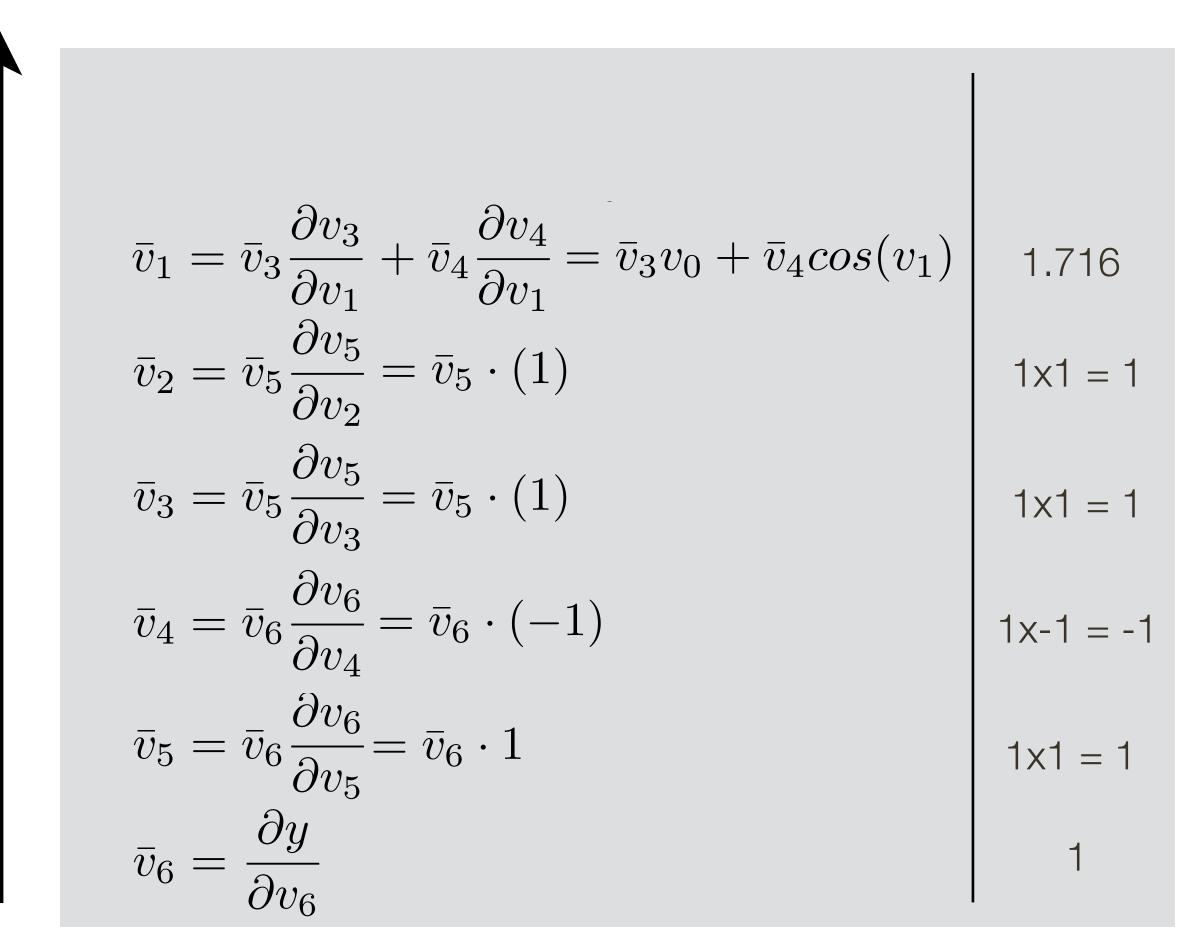


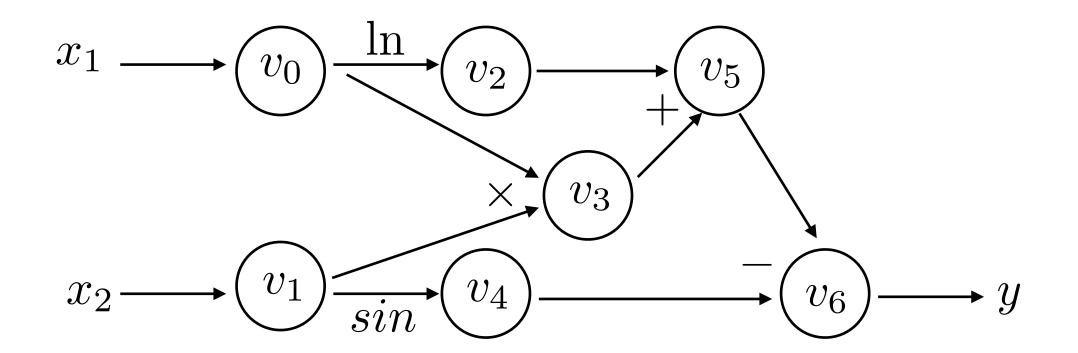


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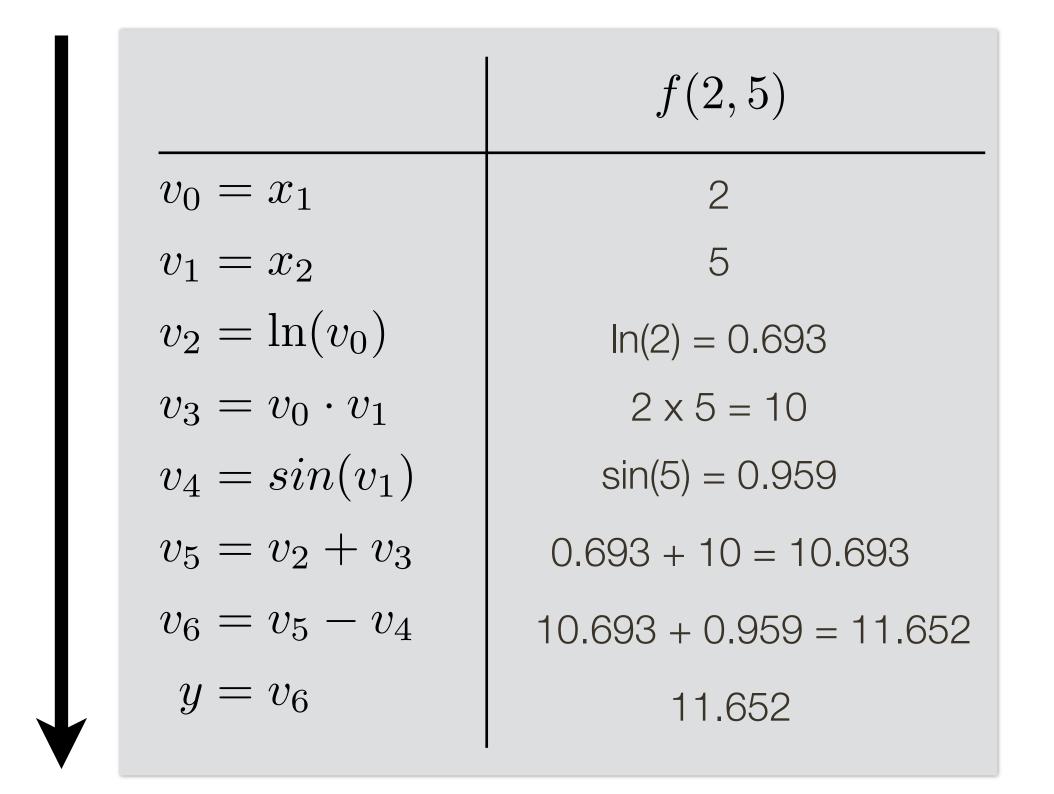


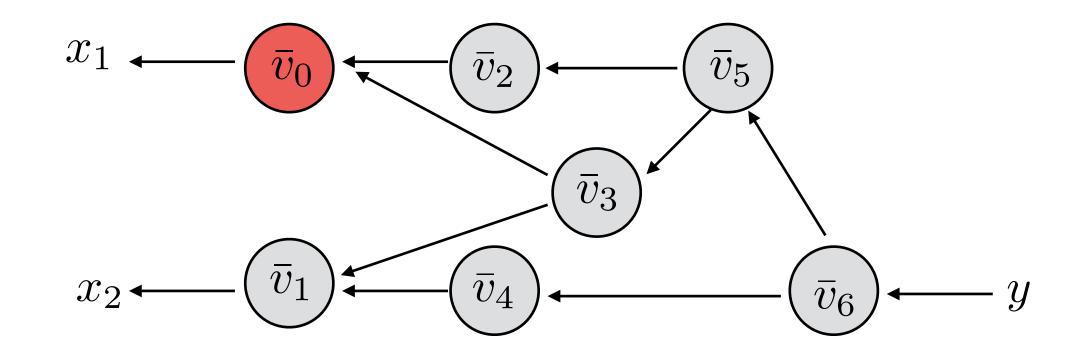


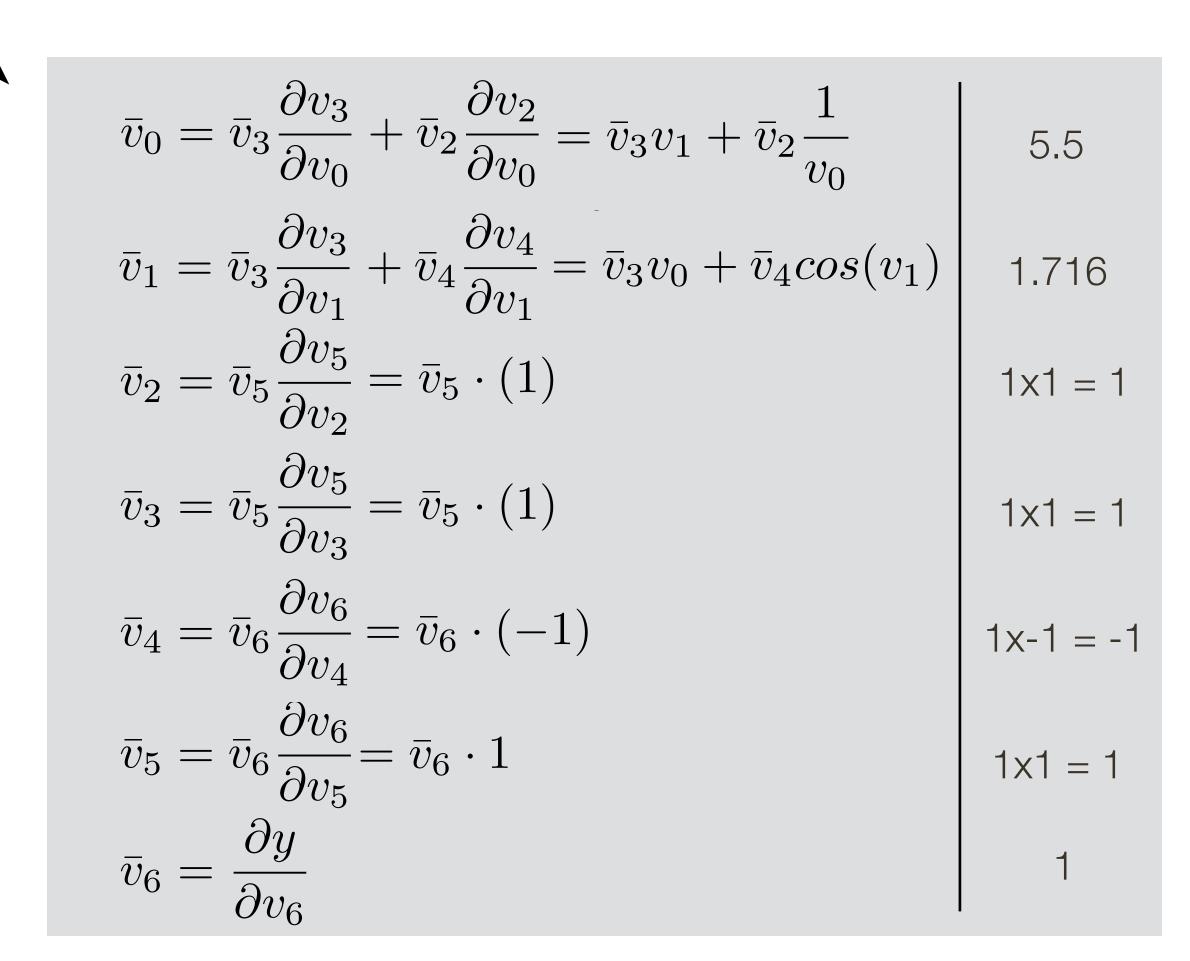


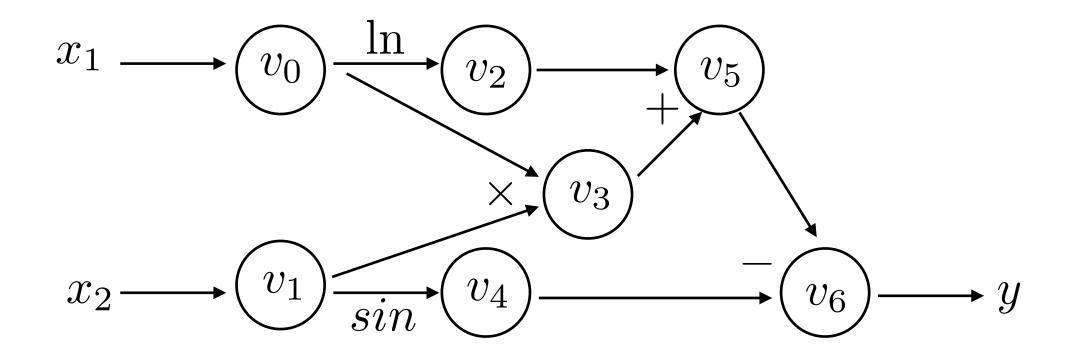


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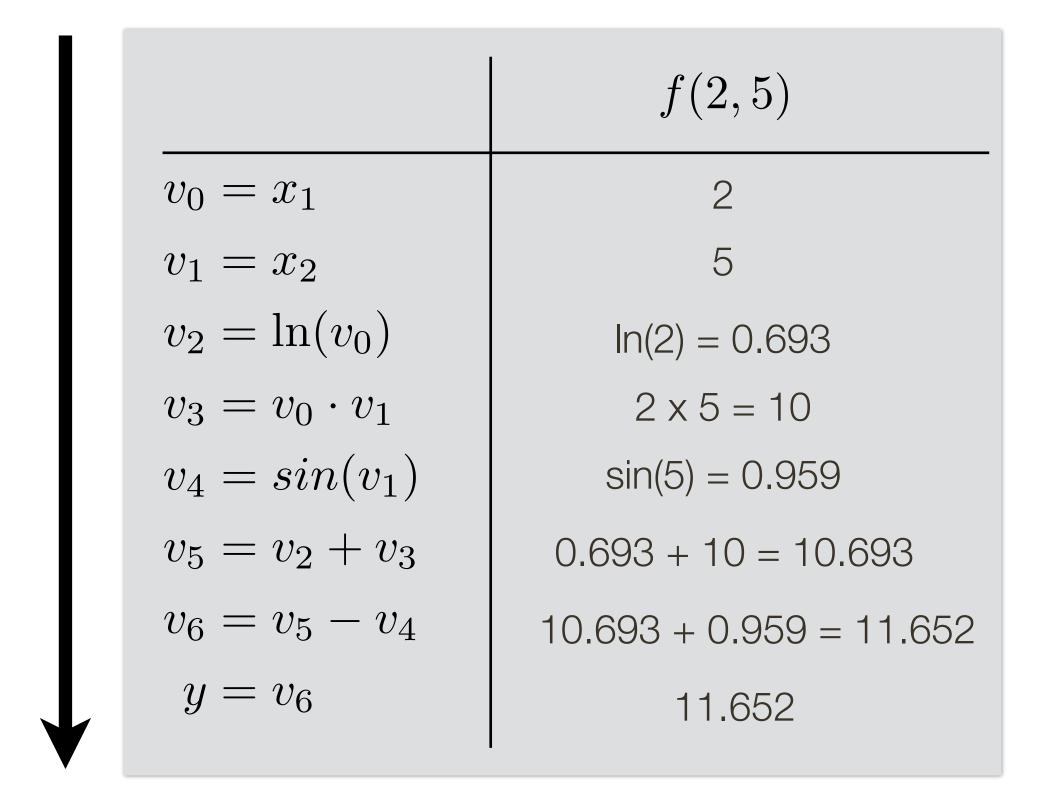


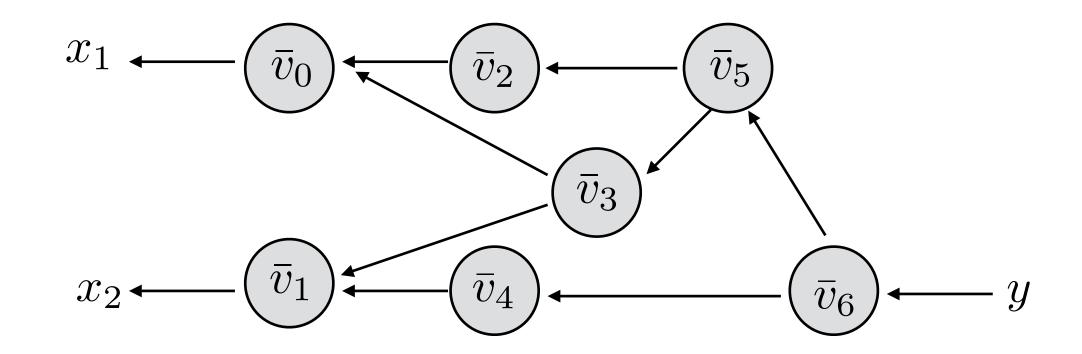


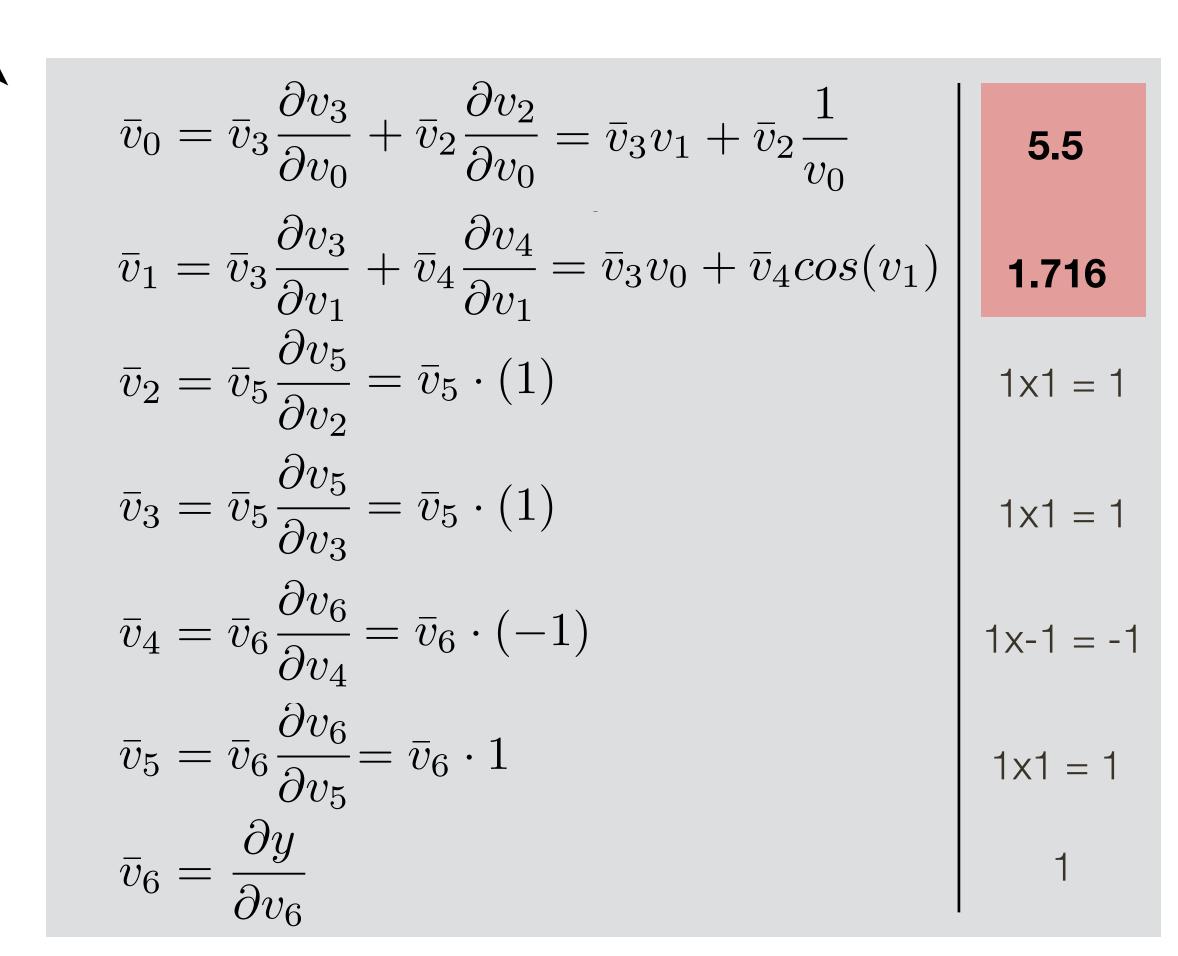




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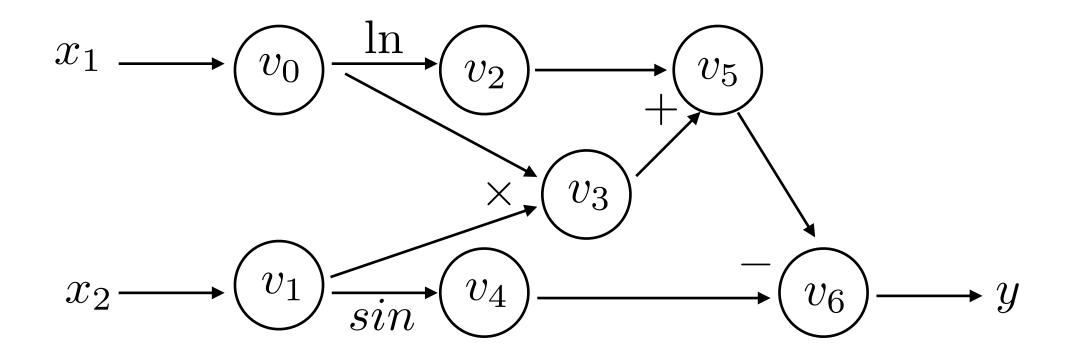


# Automatic Differentiation (AutoDiff)

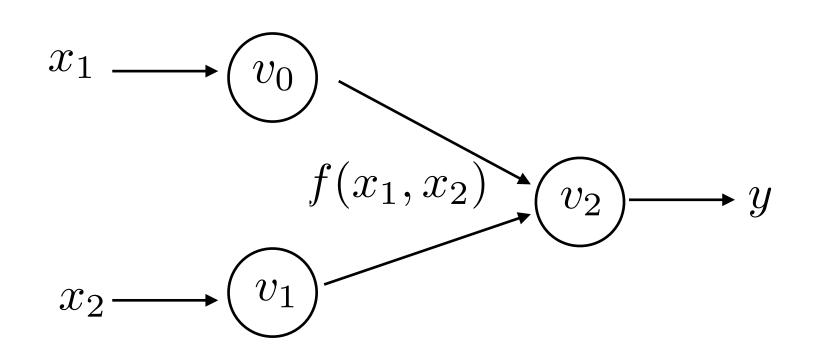
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AutoDiff can be done at various granularities

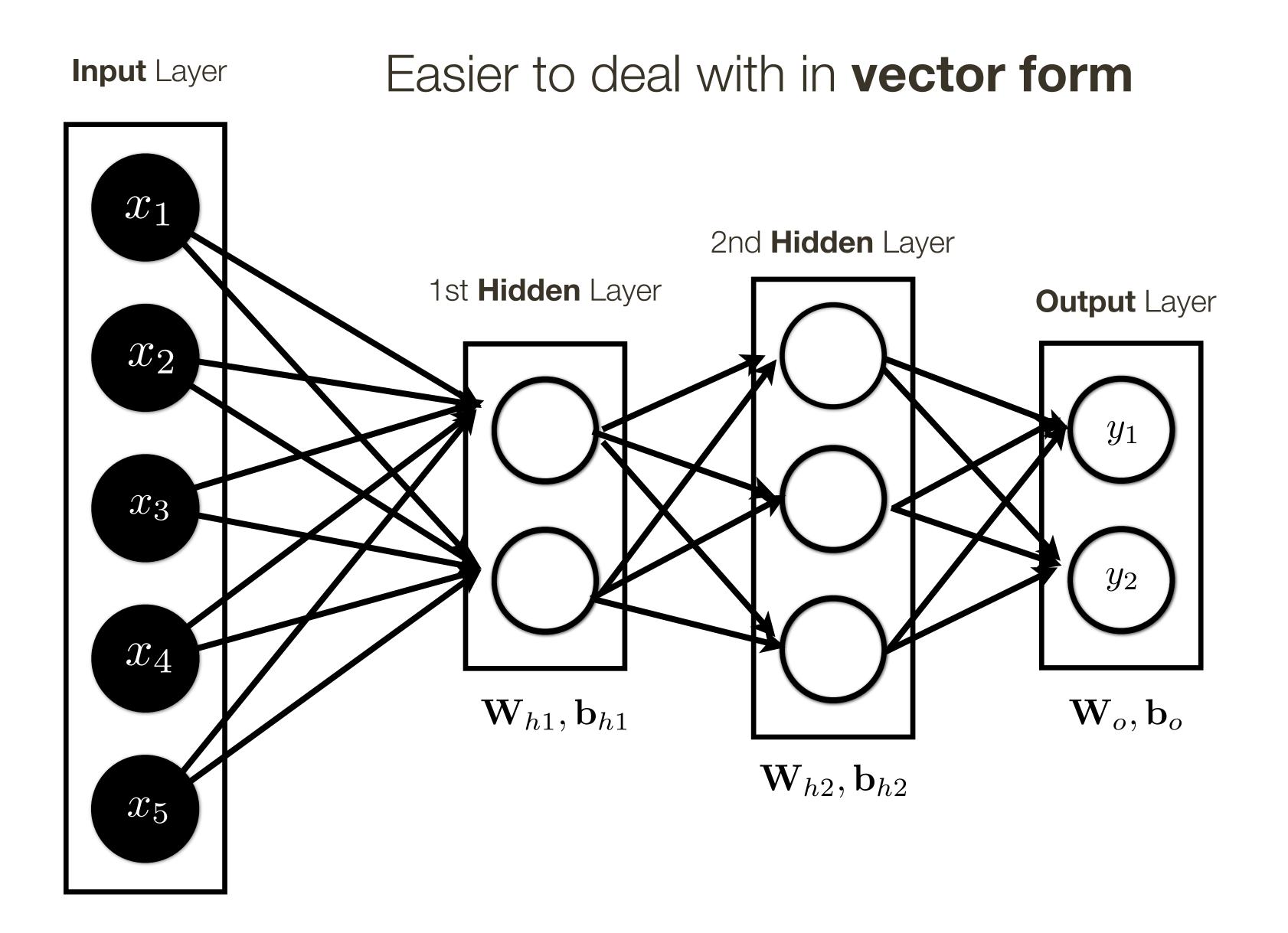
#### **Elementary function** granularity:



#### Complex function granularity:



# **Backpropagation** Practical Issues



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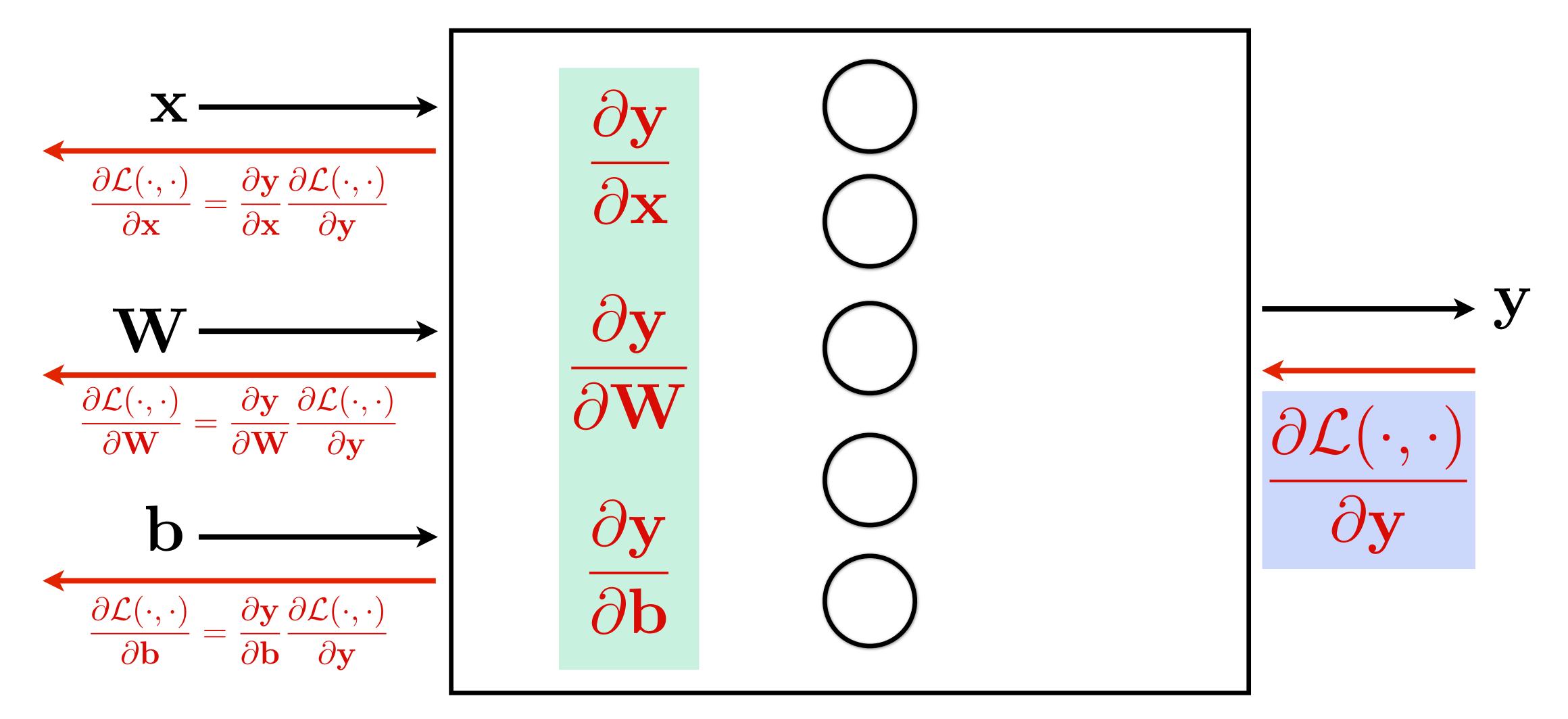
$$\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{sigmoid}(\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})$$
 $\mathbf{W} \longrightarrow \mathbf{b} \longrightarrow \mathbf{b}$ 

## Backpropagation Practical Issues

"**local**" Jacobians (matrix of partial derivatives, e.g. size |x| x |y|)

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"backprop" Gradient



# Jacobian of Sigmoid layer

 $\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{2048}$ 

Element-wise sigmoid layer:



What is the dimension of Jacobian?

What does it look like?

If we are working with a mini batch of 100 inputs-output pairs, technically Jacobian is a matrix 204,800 x 204,800

## Backpropagation: Common questions

Question: Does BackProp only work for certain layers?

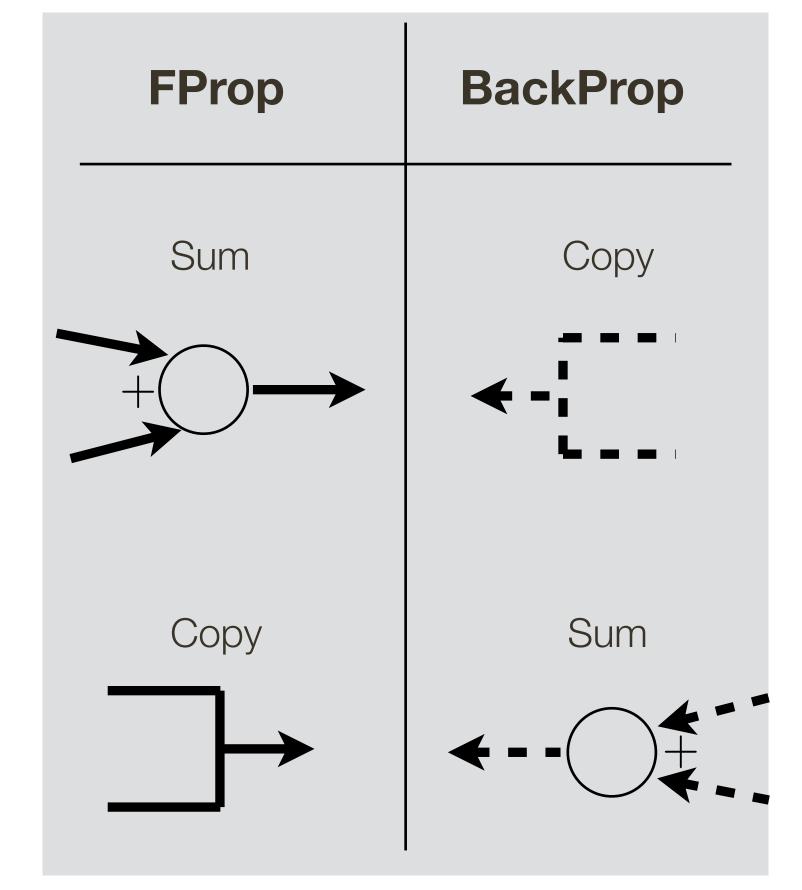
Answer: No, for any differentiable functions

Question: What is computational cost of BackProp?

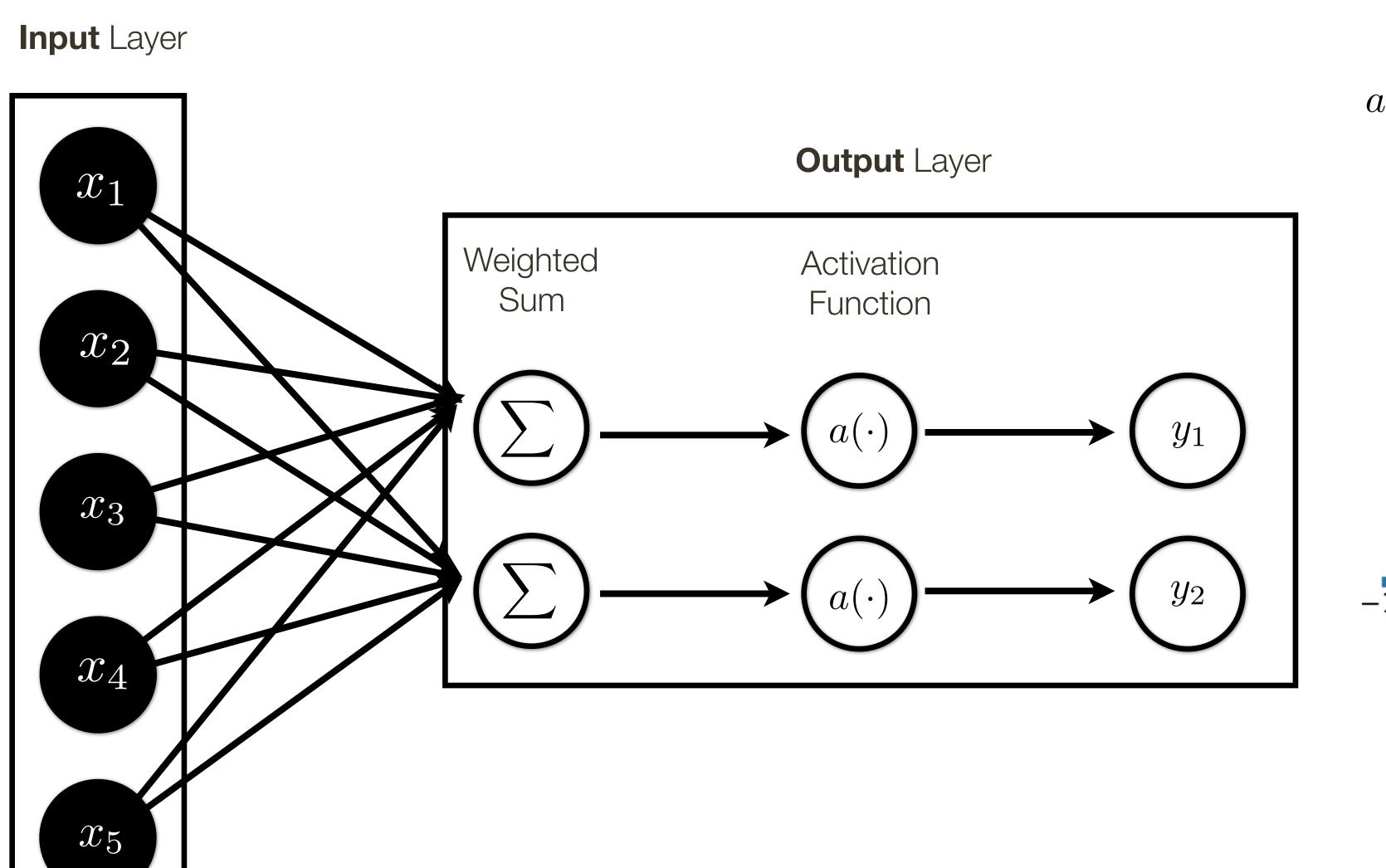
Answer: On average about twice the forward pass

Question: Is BackProp a dual of forward propagation?

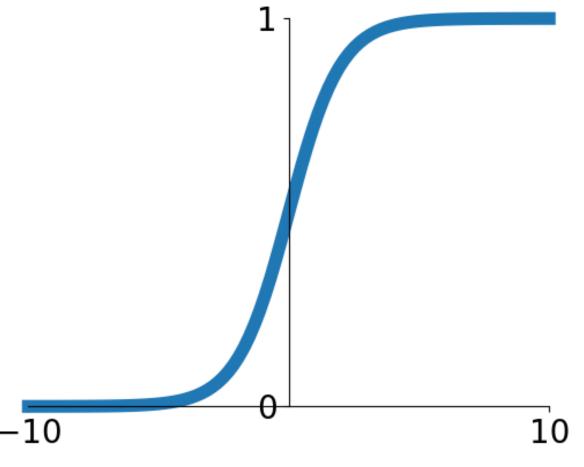
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<sup>\*</sup> Adopted from slides by Marc'Aurelio Ranzato

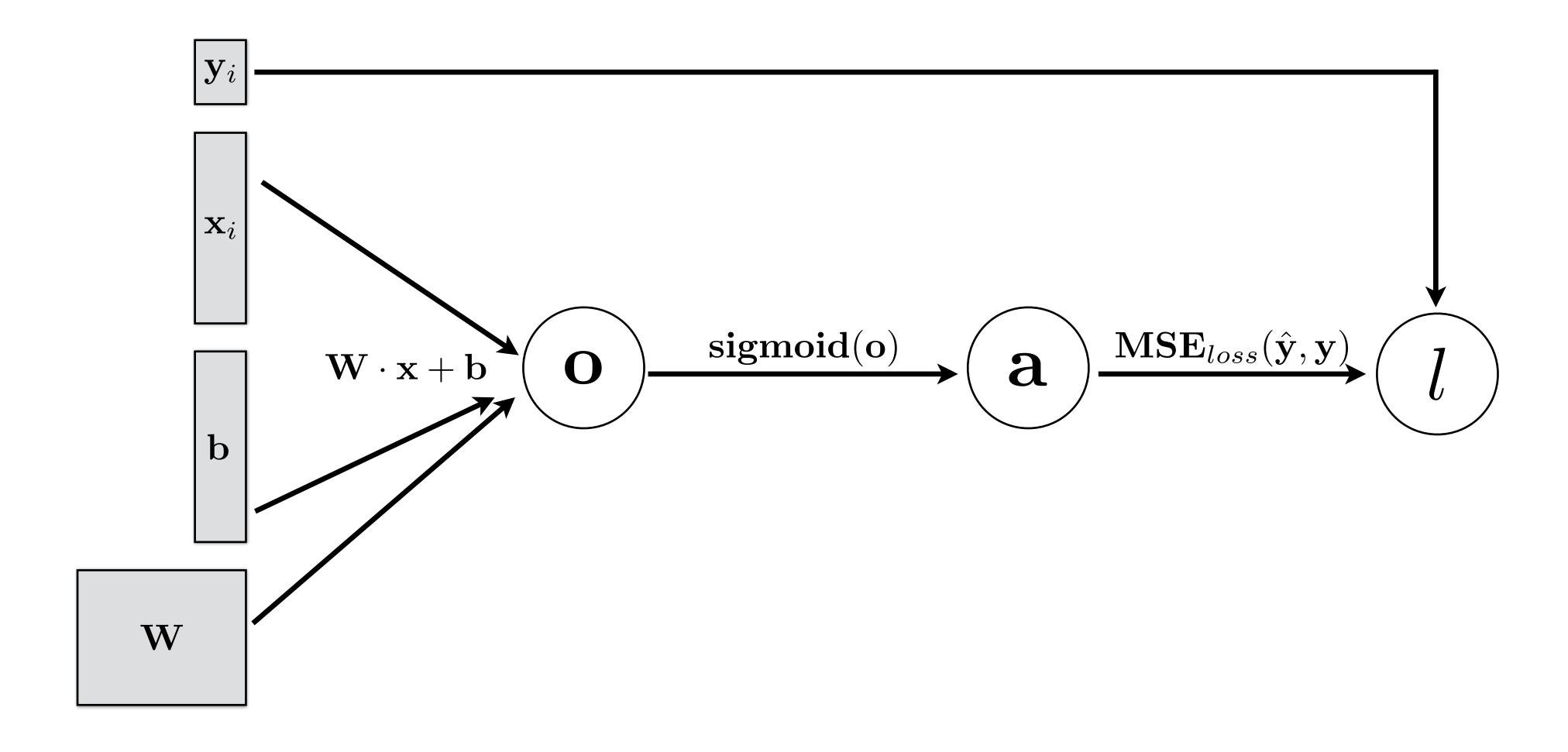


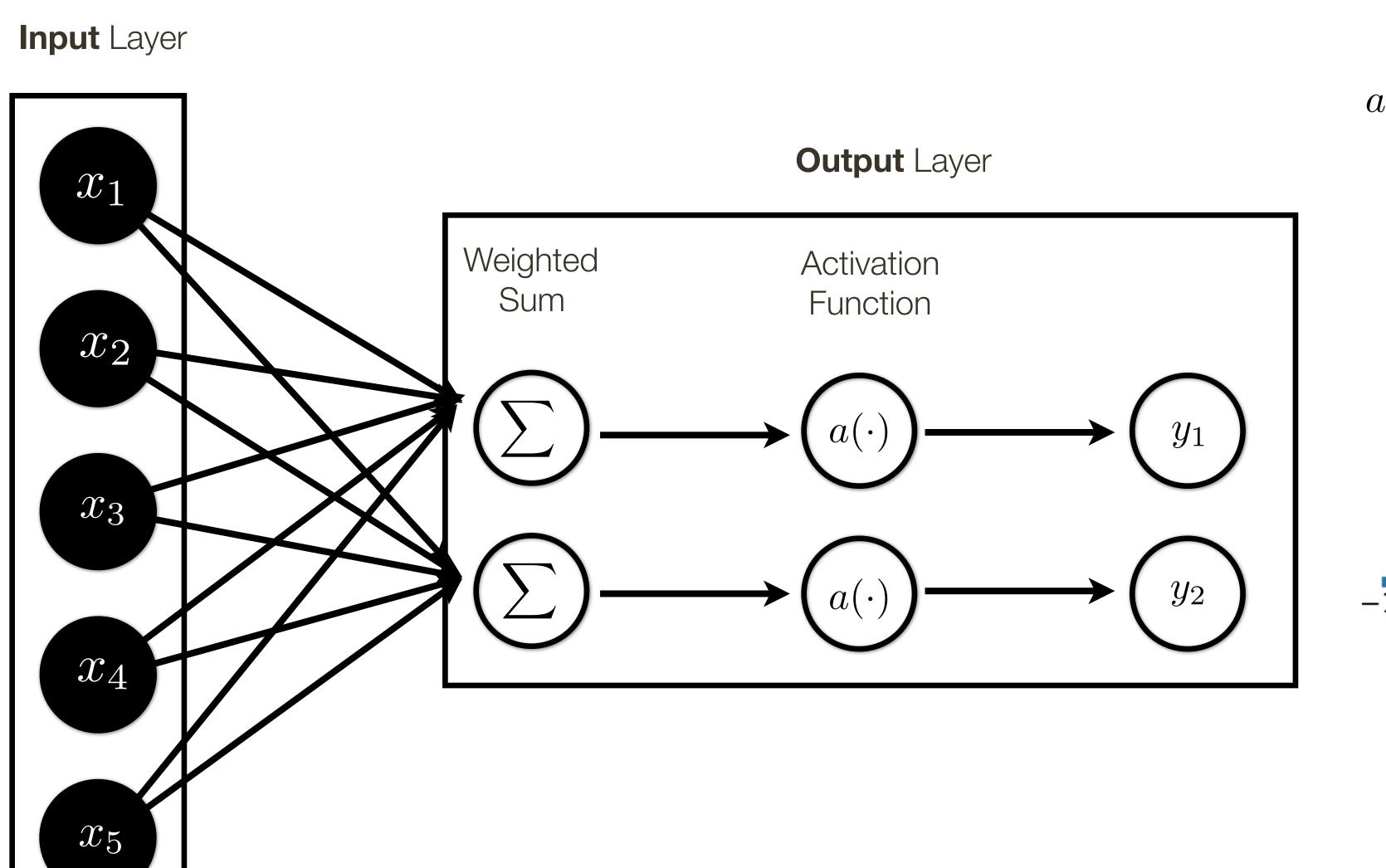
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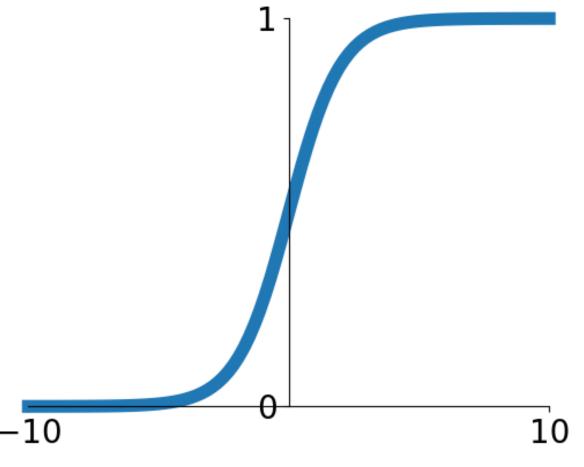
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# Computational Graph: 1-layer network





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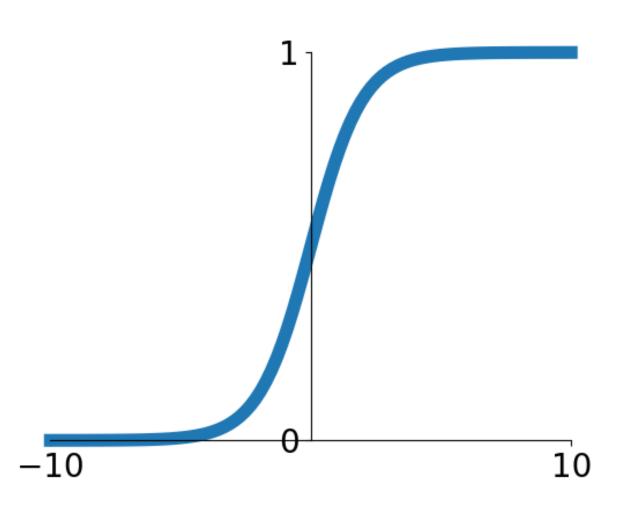
#### Pros:

- Squishes everything in the range [0,1]
- Can be interpreted as "probability"
- Has well defined gradient everywhere

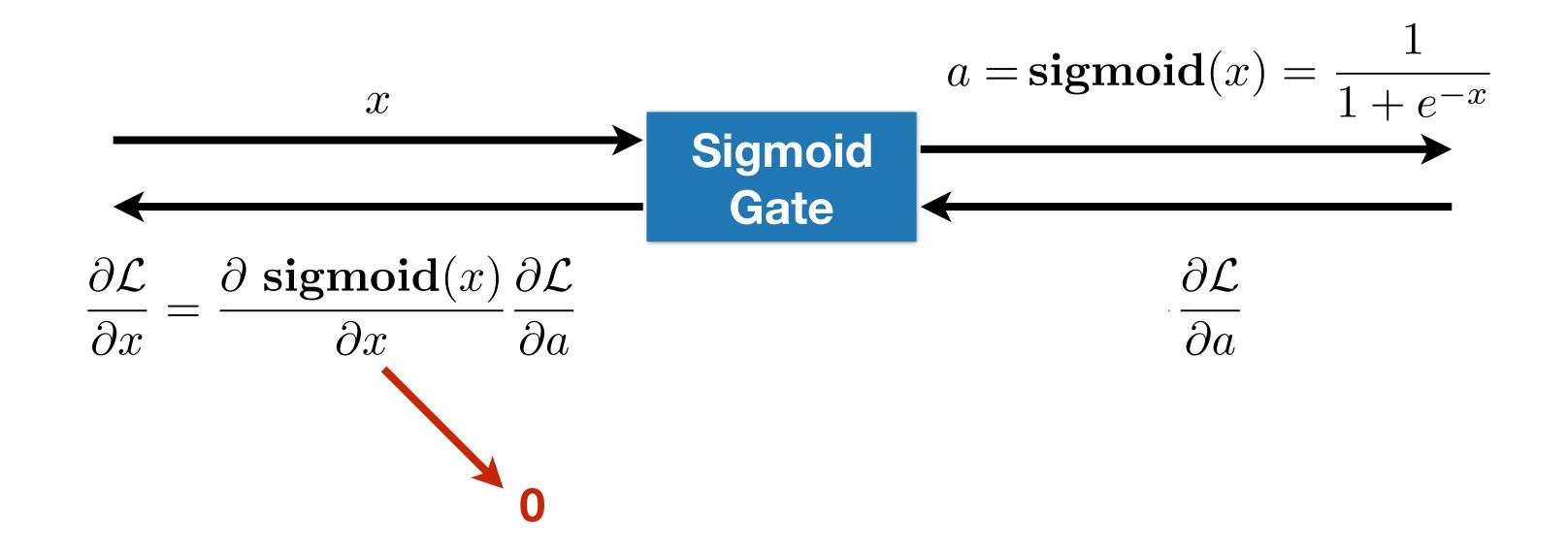
#### Cons:

- Saturated neurons "kill" the gradients
- Non-zero centered
- Could be expensive to compute

$$a(x) = \mathbf{sigmoid}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



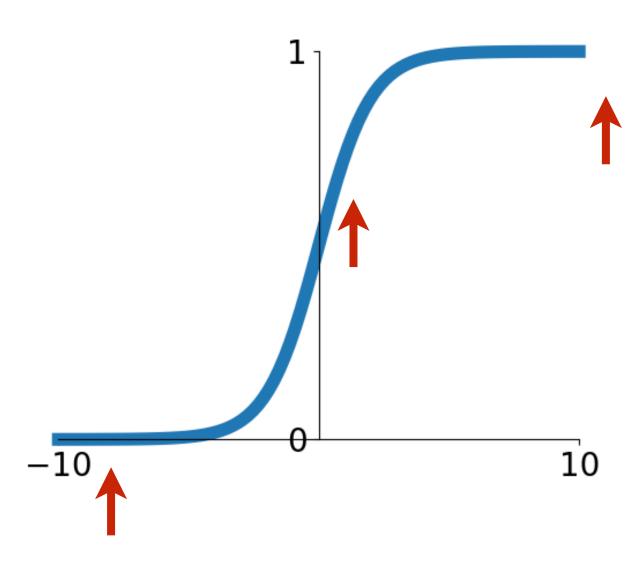
**Sigmoid** Activation



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**Sigmoid** Activation

### Activation Function: Tanh

#### Pros:

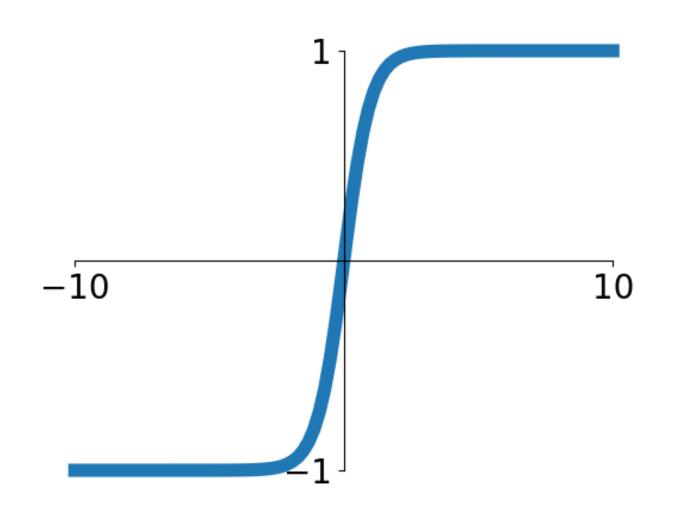
- Squishes everything in the range [-1,1]
- Centered around zero
- Has well defined gradient everywhere

#### Cons:

- Saturated neurons "kill" the gradients

$$a(x) = \tanh(x) = 2 \cdot \text{sigmoid}(2x) - 1$$

$$a(x) = \tanh(x) = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-2x}} - 1$$



**Tanh** Activation

# Activation Function: Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)

### **Pros:**

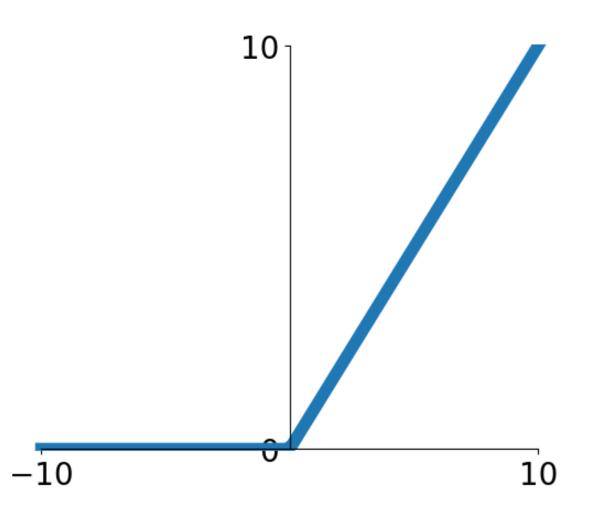
- Does not saturate (for x > 0)
- Computationally very efficient
- Converges faster in practice (e.g. 6 times faster)

#### Cons:

Not zero centered

$$a(x) = max(0, x)$$

$$a'(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$



**ReLU** Activation

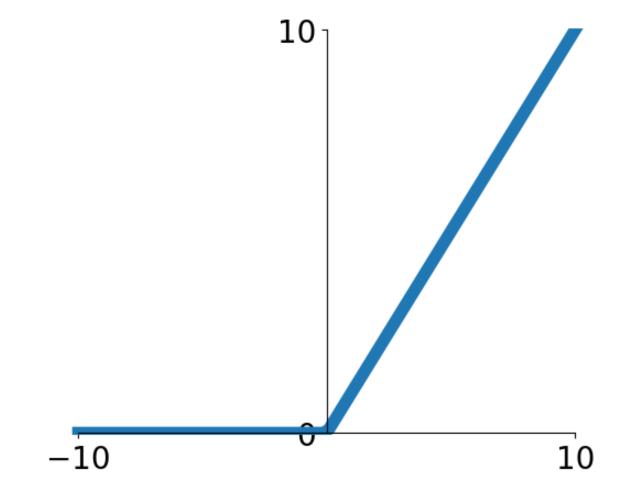
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Question: What do ReLU layers accomplish?

Answer: Locally linear tiling, function is locally linear



**ReLU** Activation

### Recall:

Conditions needed to prove NN is a universal approximator: Activation function needs to be well defined

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} a(x) = A$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} a(x) = B$$

$$A \neq B$$

### Recall:

Conditions needed to prove NN is a universal approximator: Activation function needs to be well defined

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} a(x) = A$$

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} a(x) = B$$

$$A \neq B$$

Fun **Exercise:** Try to prove that network with ReLU is still a universal approximator (not too difficult if you think about it visually)

# Activation Function: Leaky / Parametrized ReLU

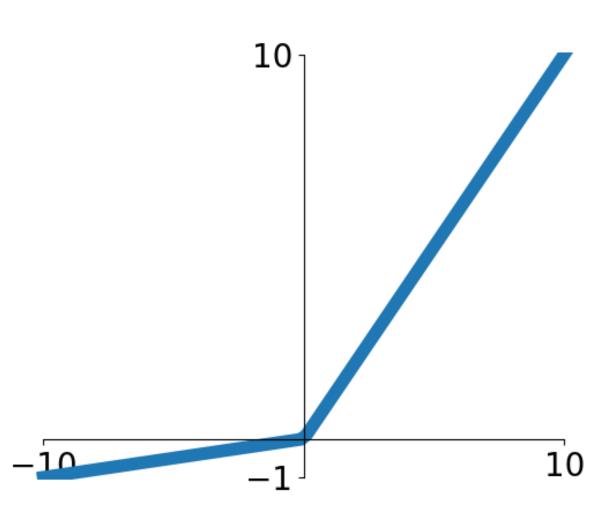
Leaky: alpha is fixed to a small value (e.g., 0.01)

Parametrized: alpha is optimized as part of the network (BackProp through)

### Pros:

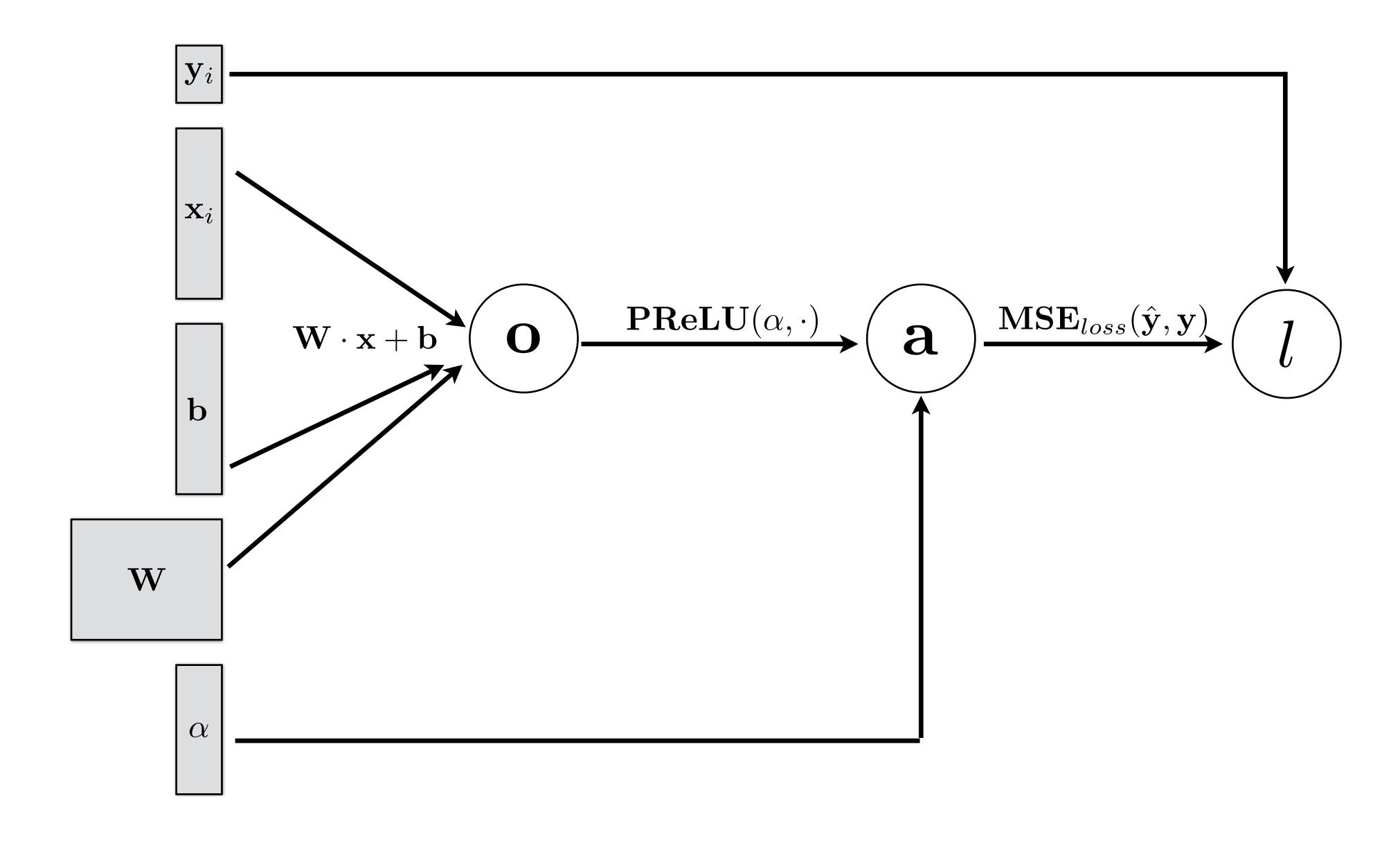
- Does not saturate
- Computationally very efficient
- Converges faster in practice (e.g. 6x)

$$a(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ \alpha x & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

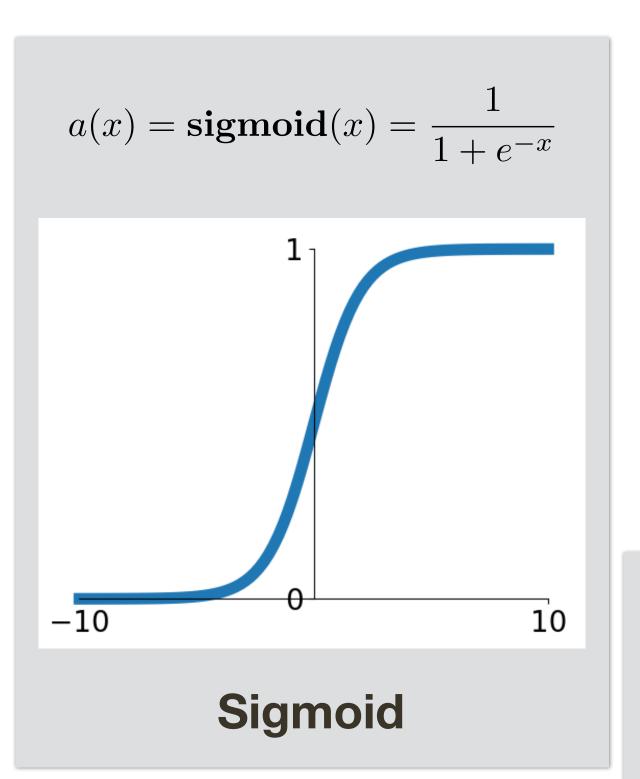


Leaky / Parametrized ReLU Activation

# Computational Graph: 1-layer with PReLU



## Activation Functions: Review



$$a(x) = \tanh(x) = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-2x}} - 1$$

$$-10$$

$$10$$

$$Tanh$$

