

# Lecture 6: Neural Networks

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(many slides from Greg Durrett)

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- ▶ Neural network history
- ▶ Neural network basics
- ▶ Feedforward neural networks + backpropagation
- ▶ Applications
- ▶ Implementing neural networks (if time)

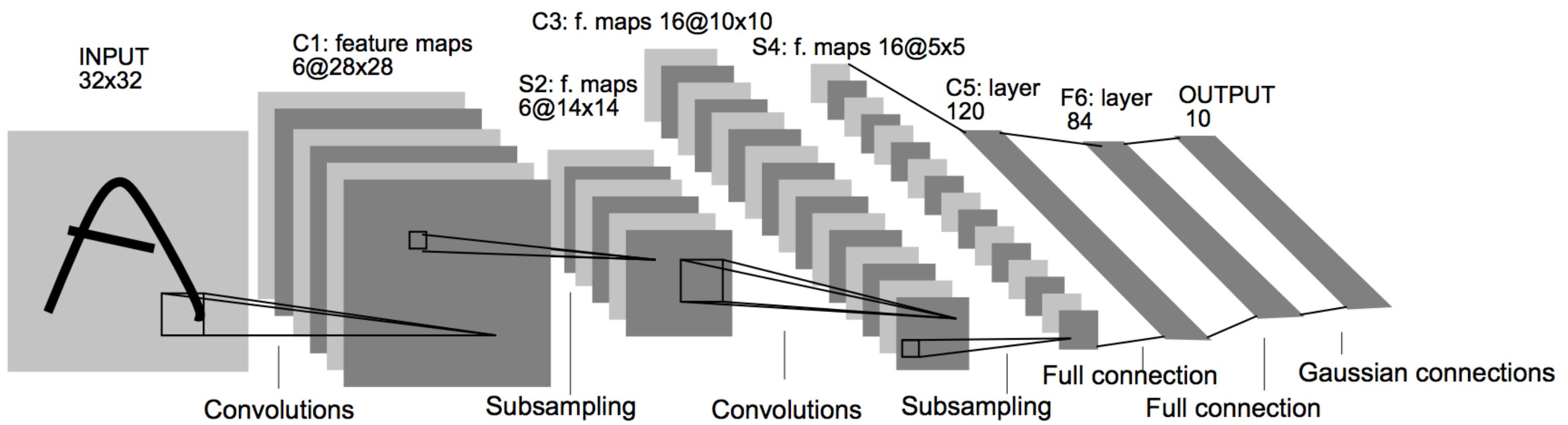
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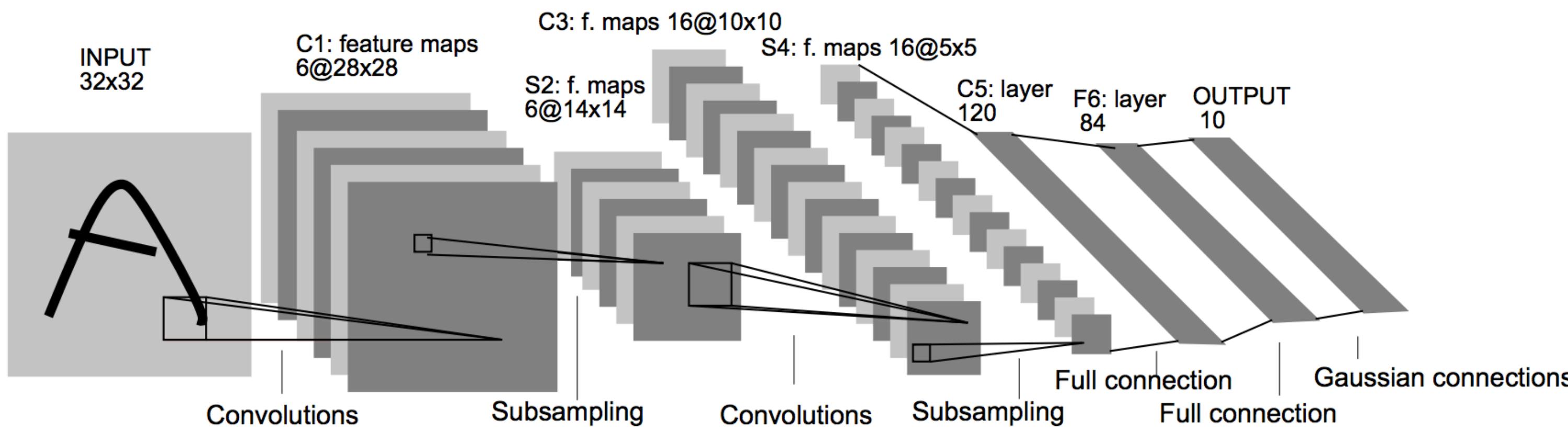
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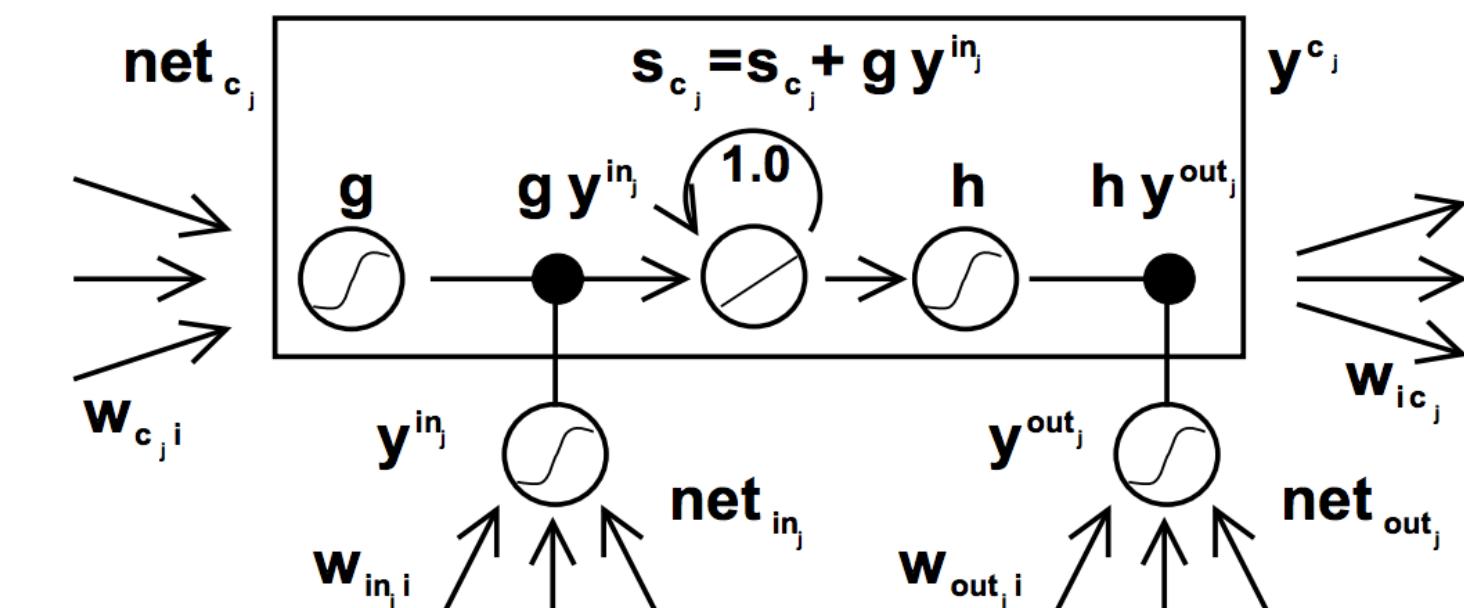


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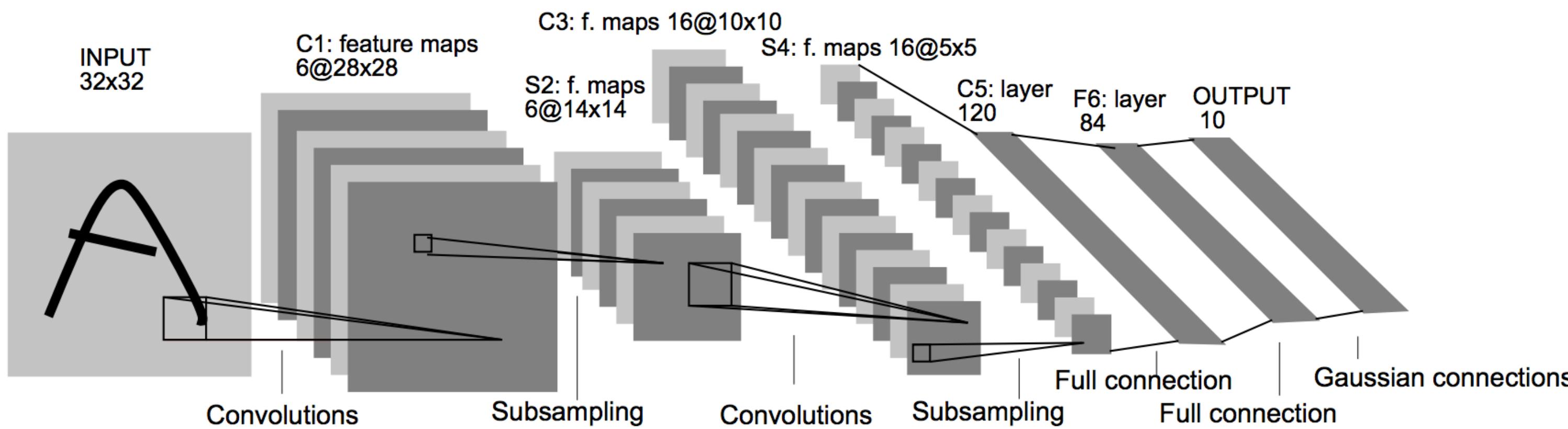


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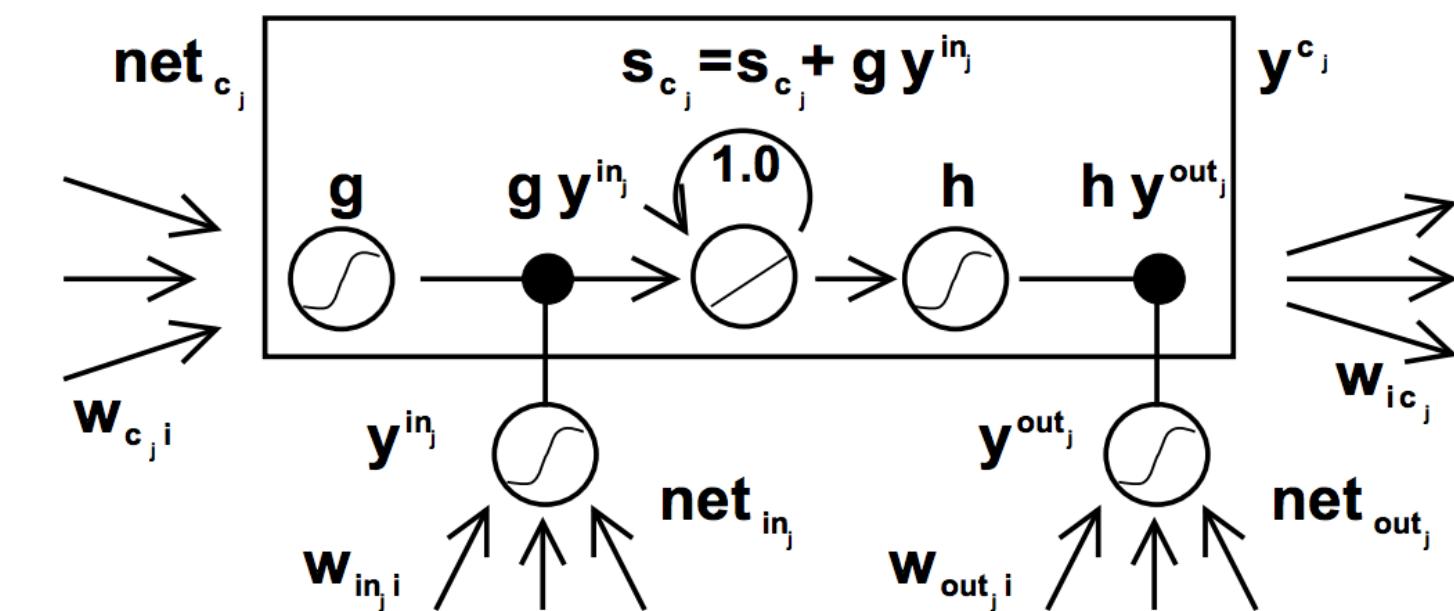


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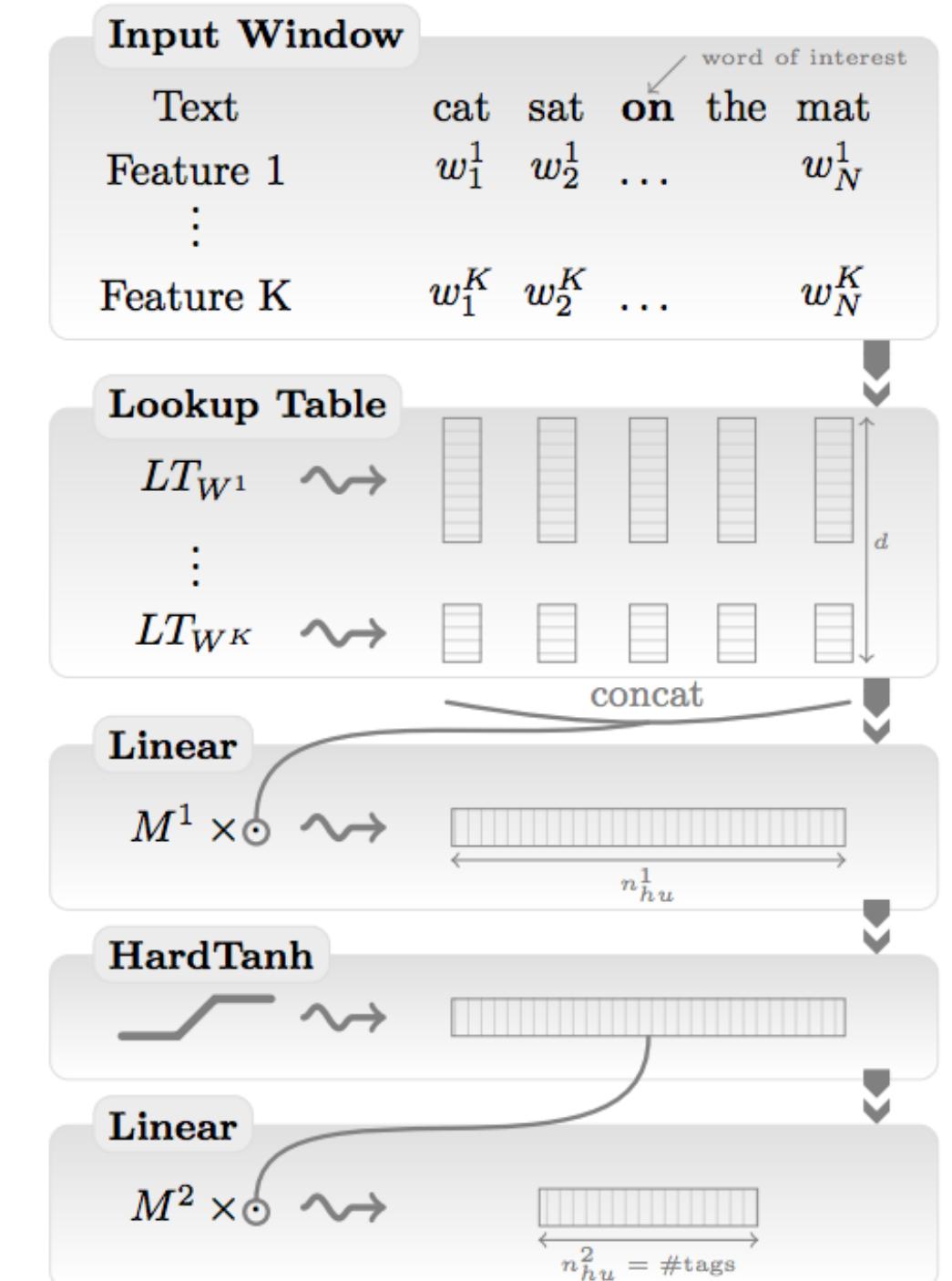
- ▶ Henderson (2003): neural shift-reduce parser, not SOTA

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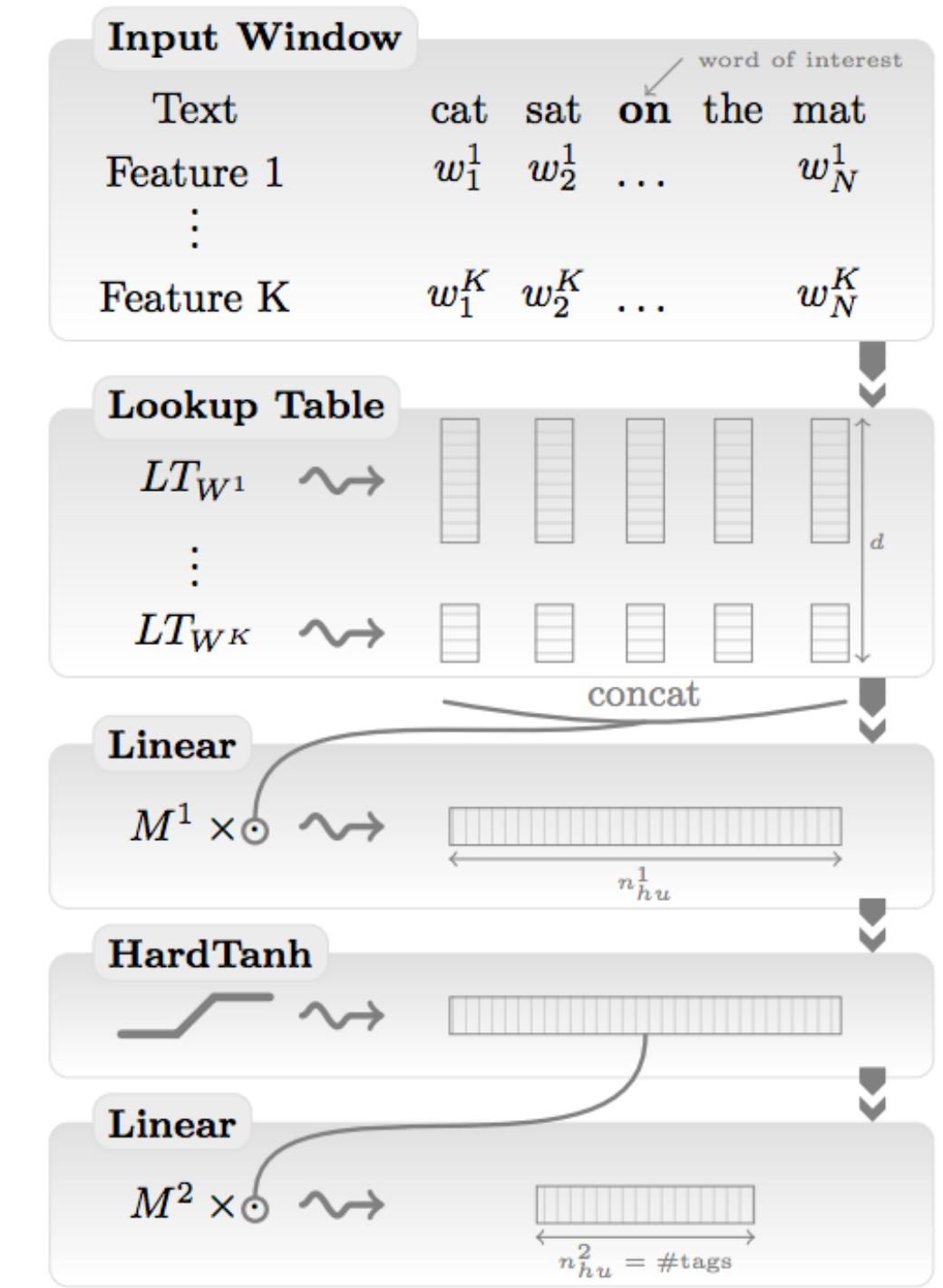
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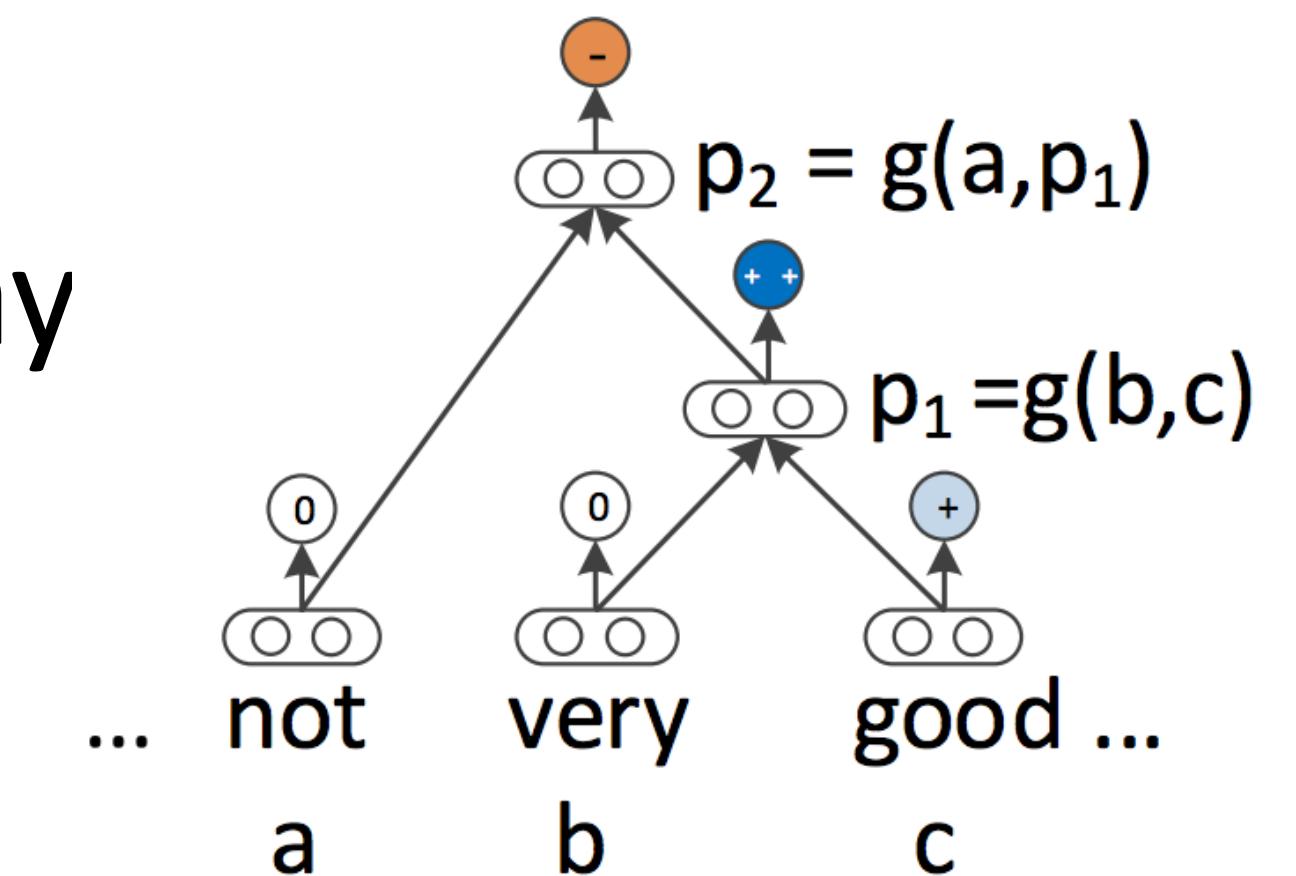
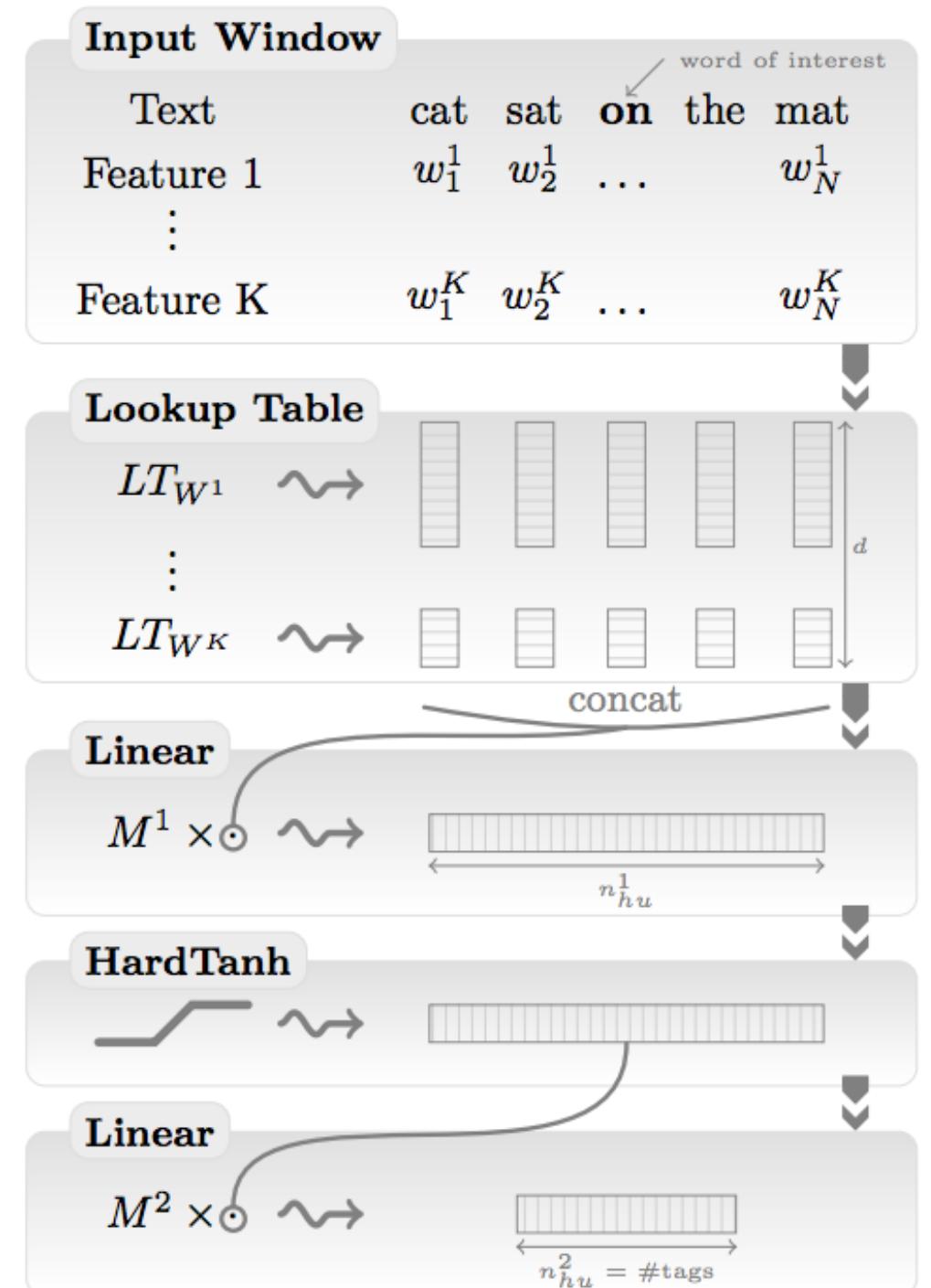
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- ▶ 2015: explosion of neural nets for everything under the sun

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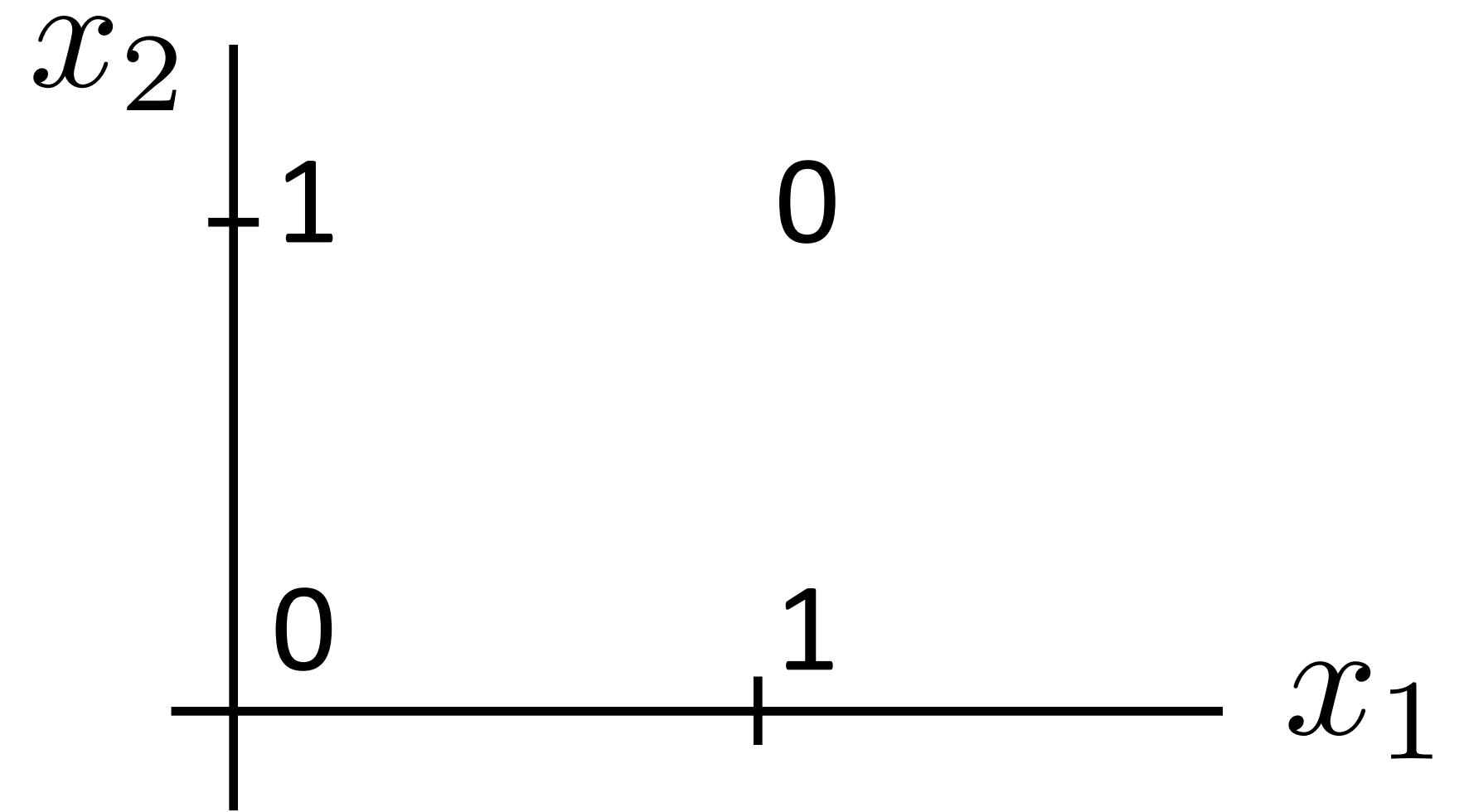
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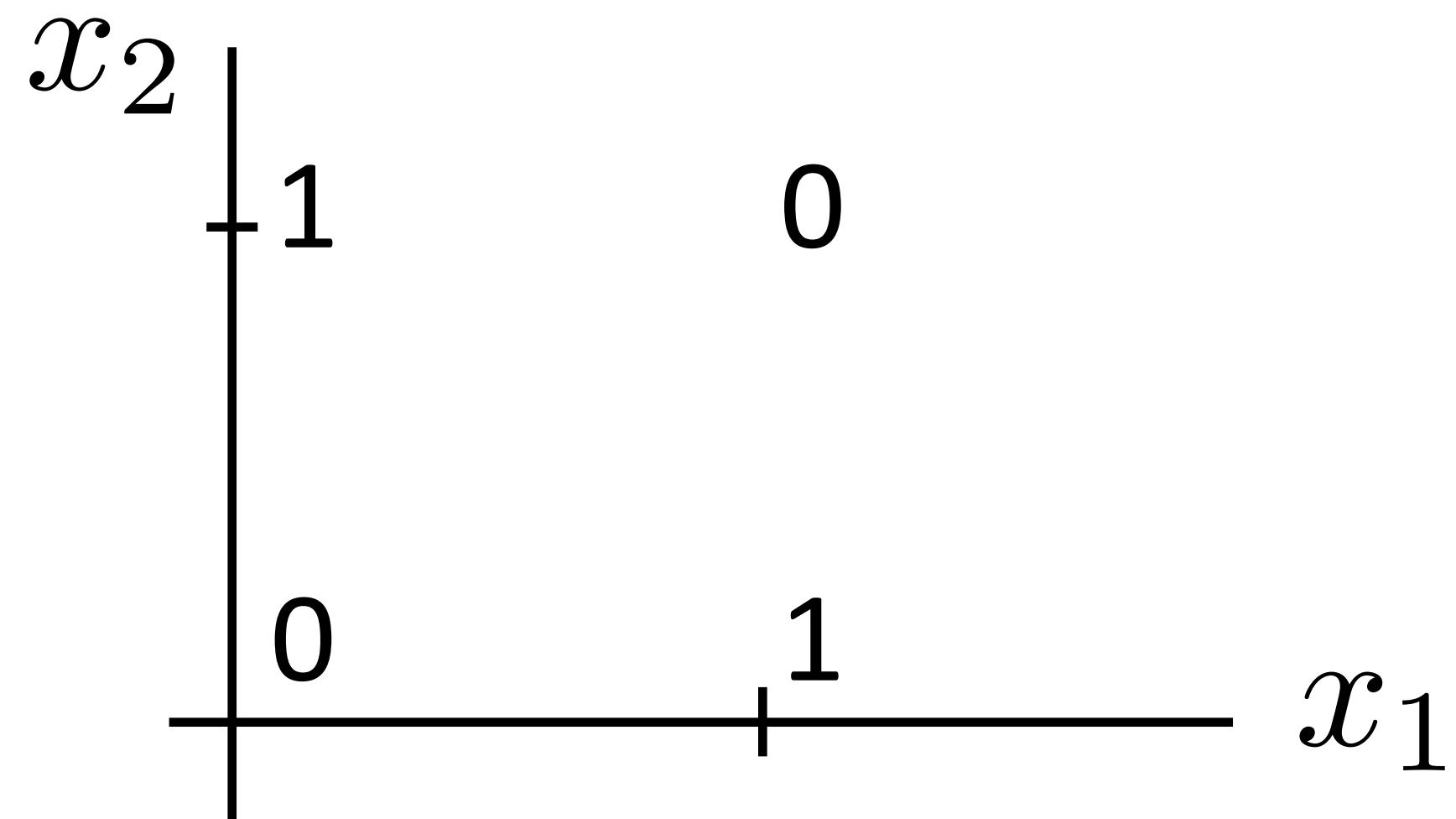
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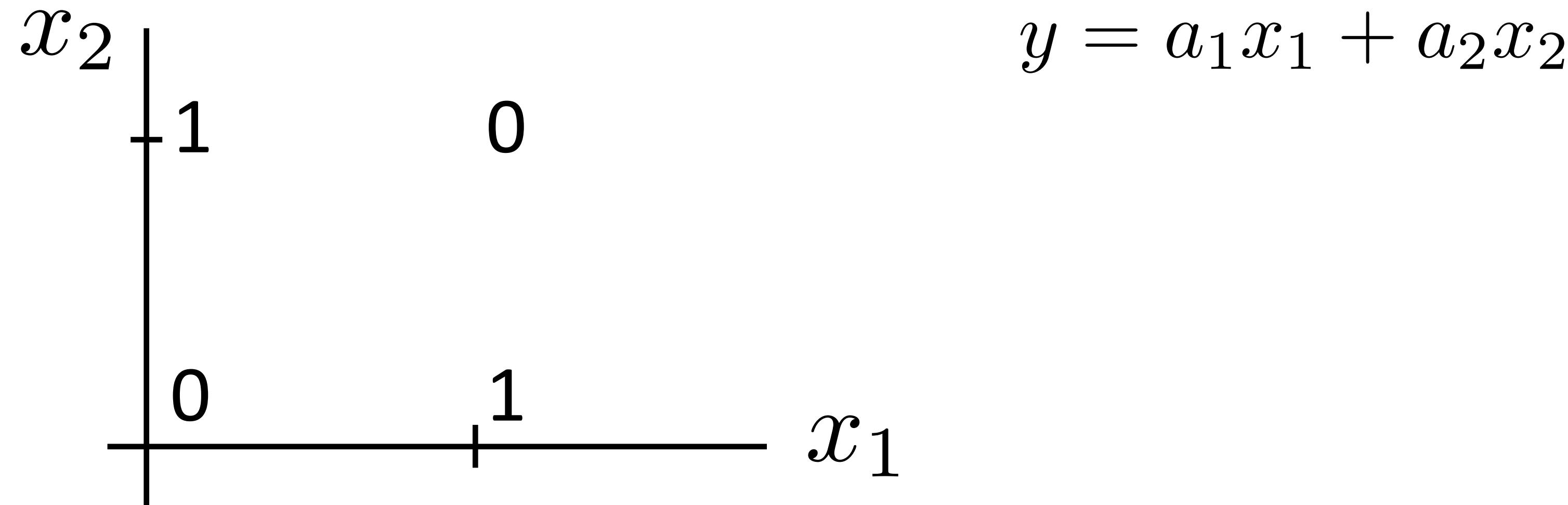
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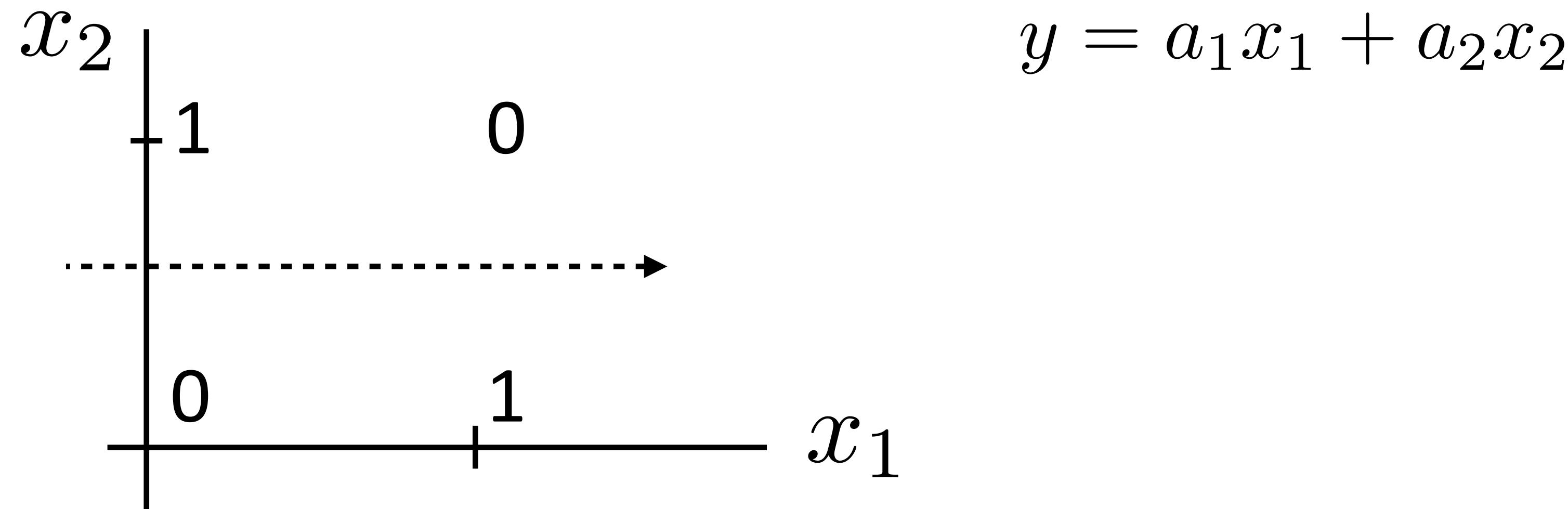
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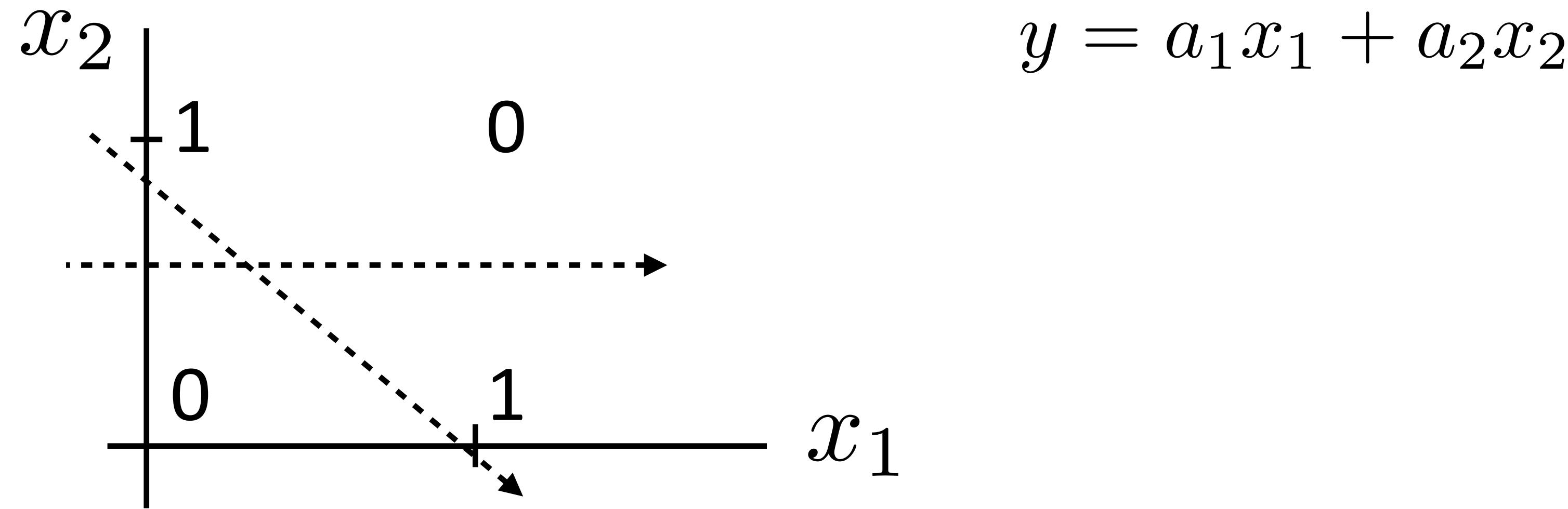
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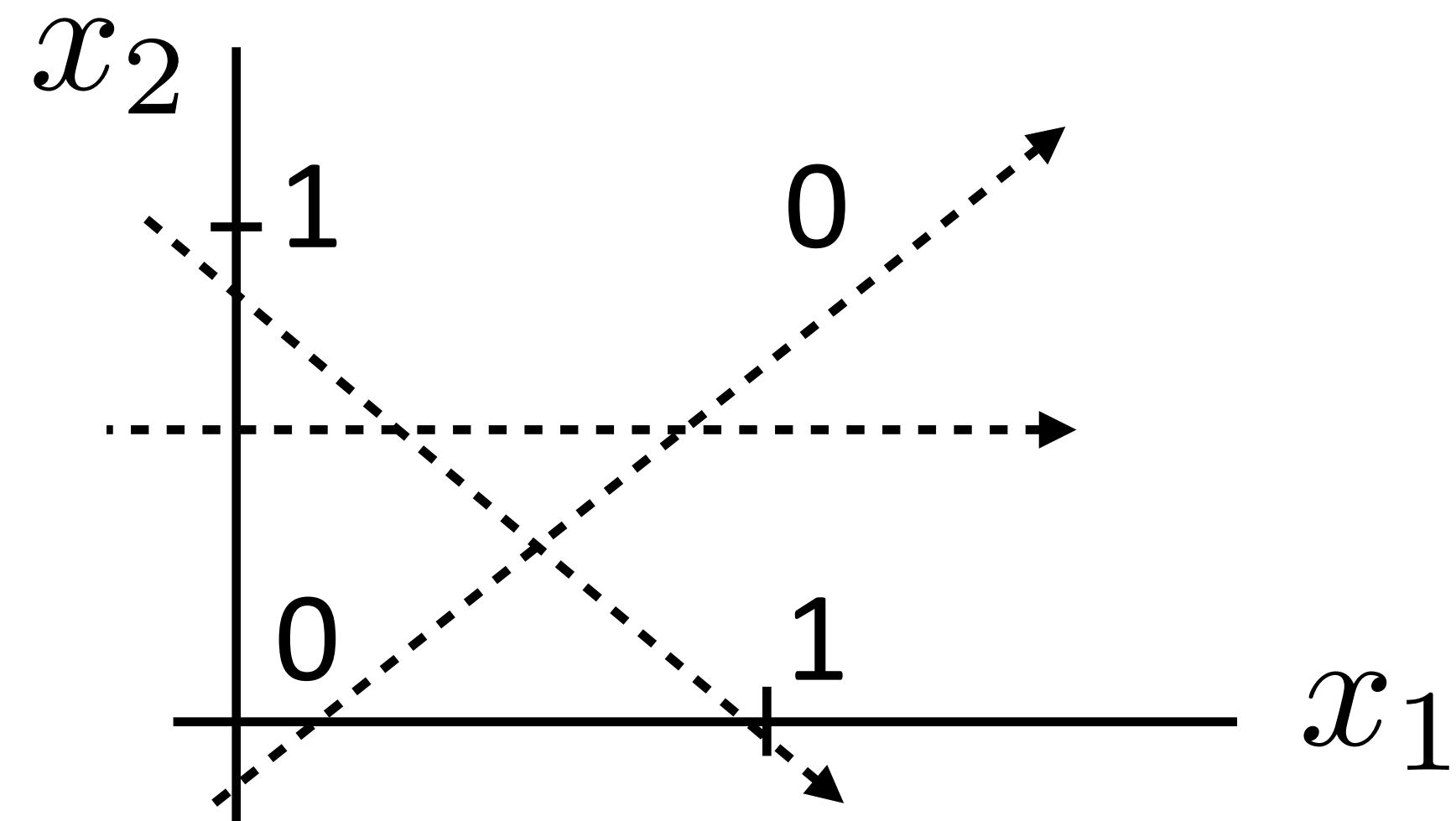
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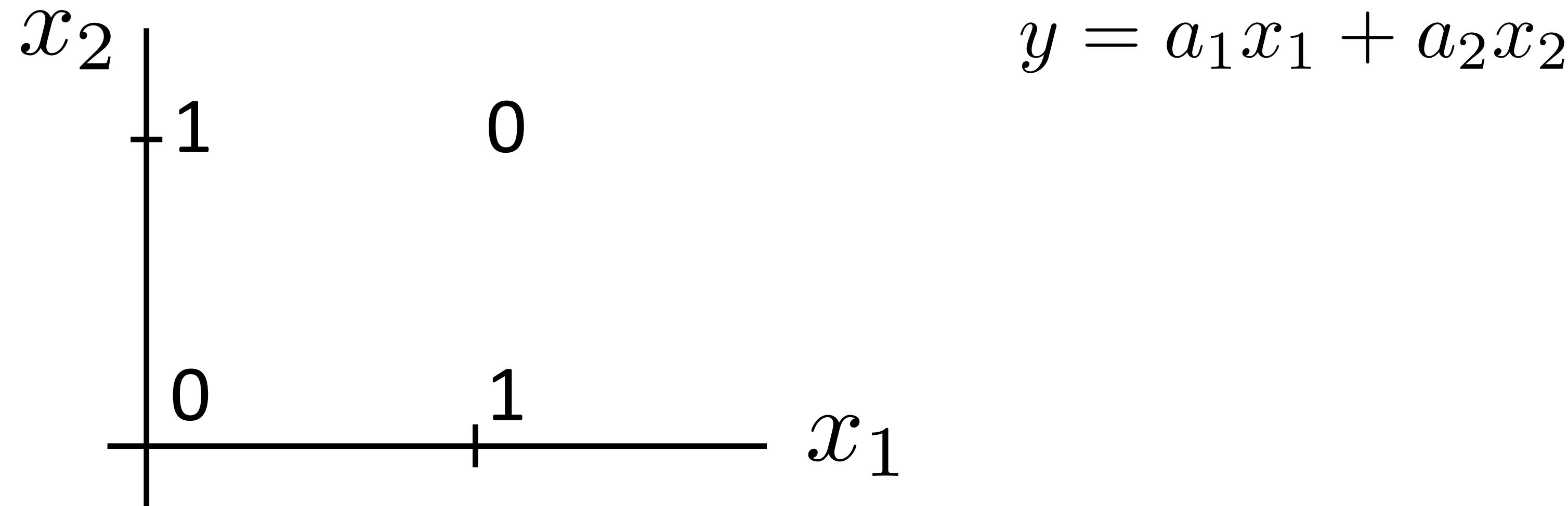


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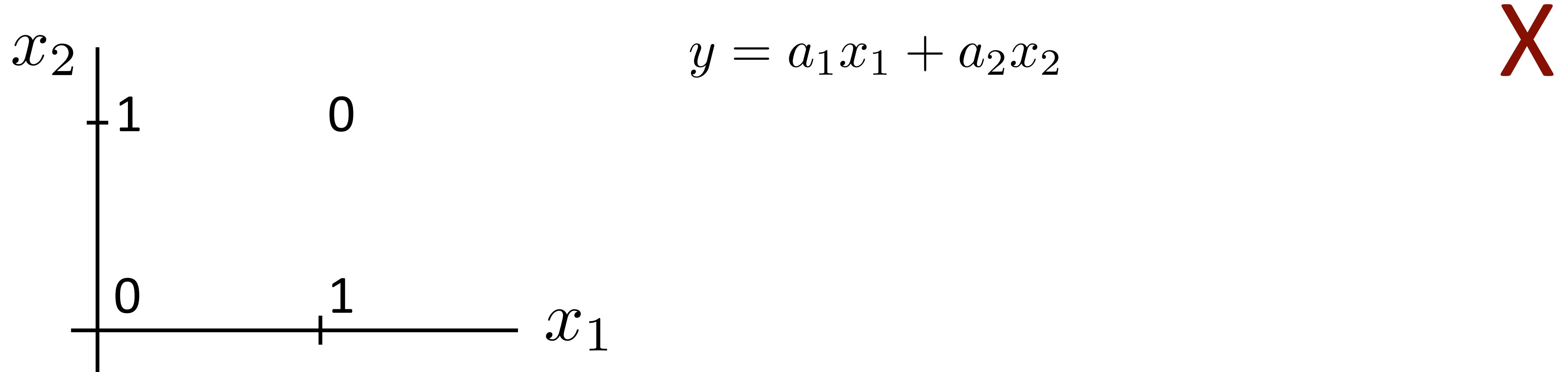
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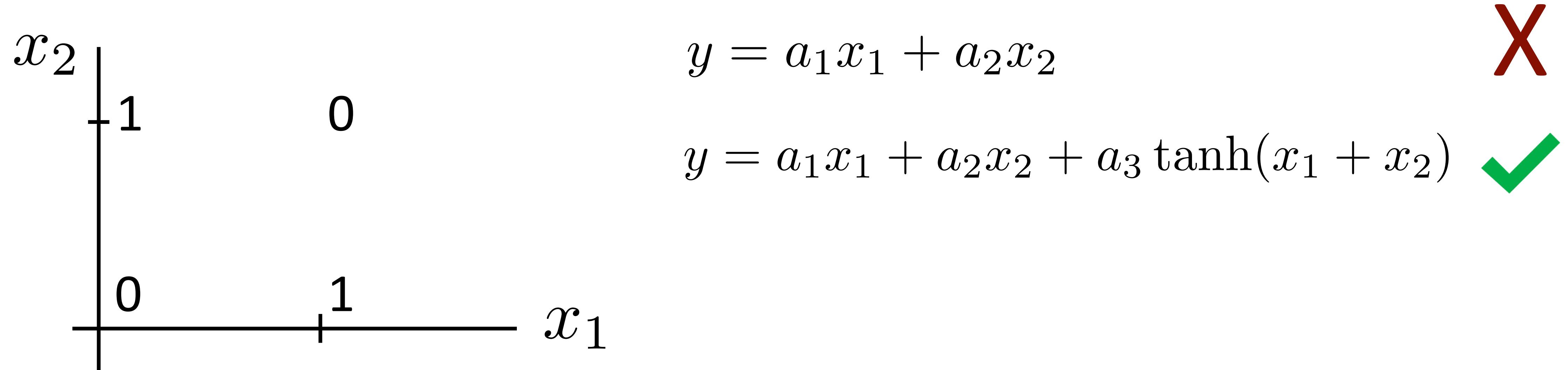
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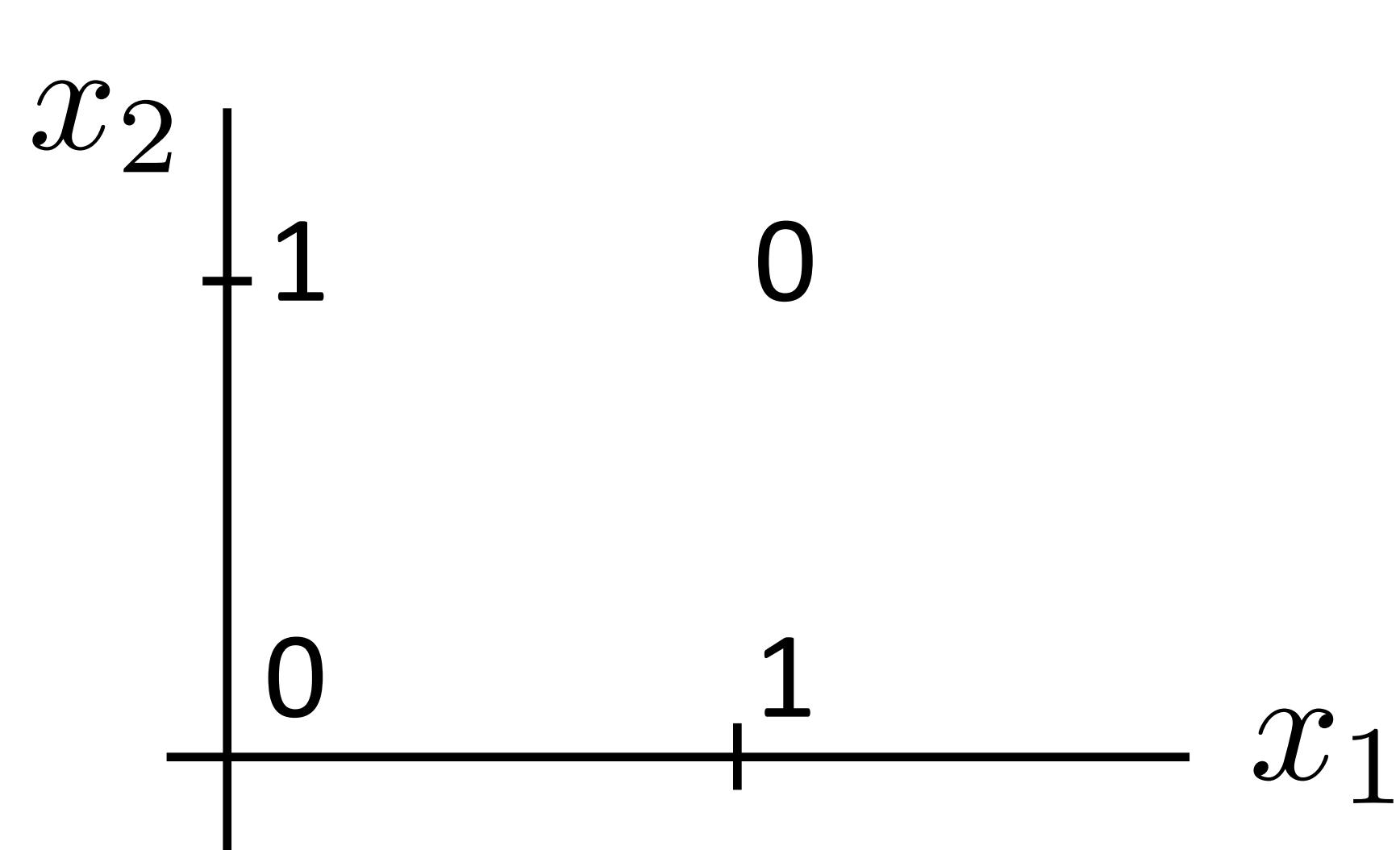
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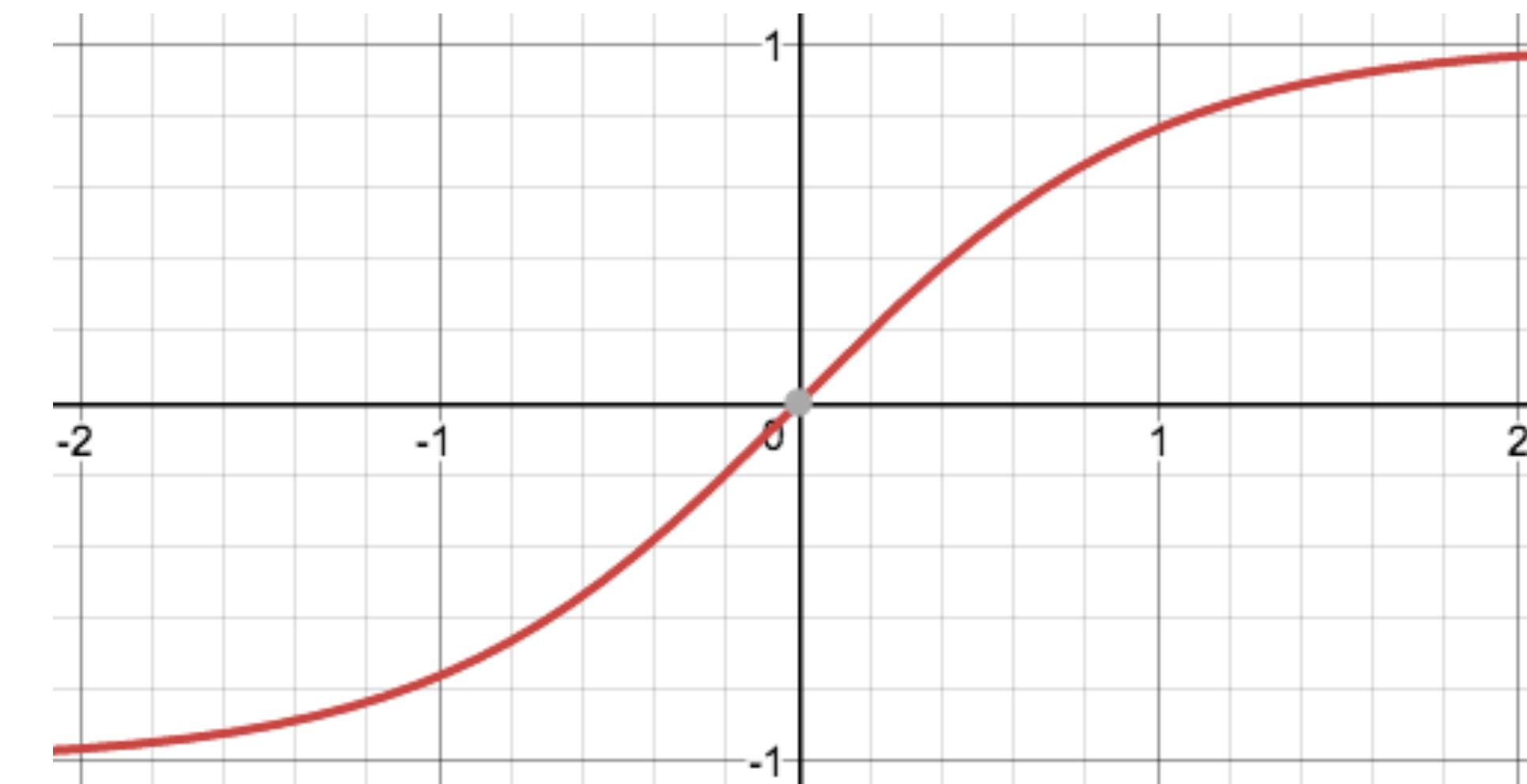
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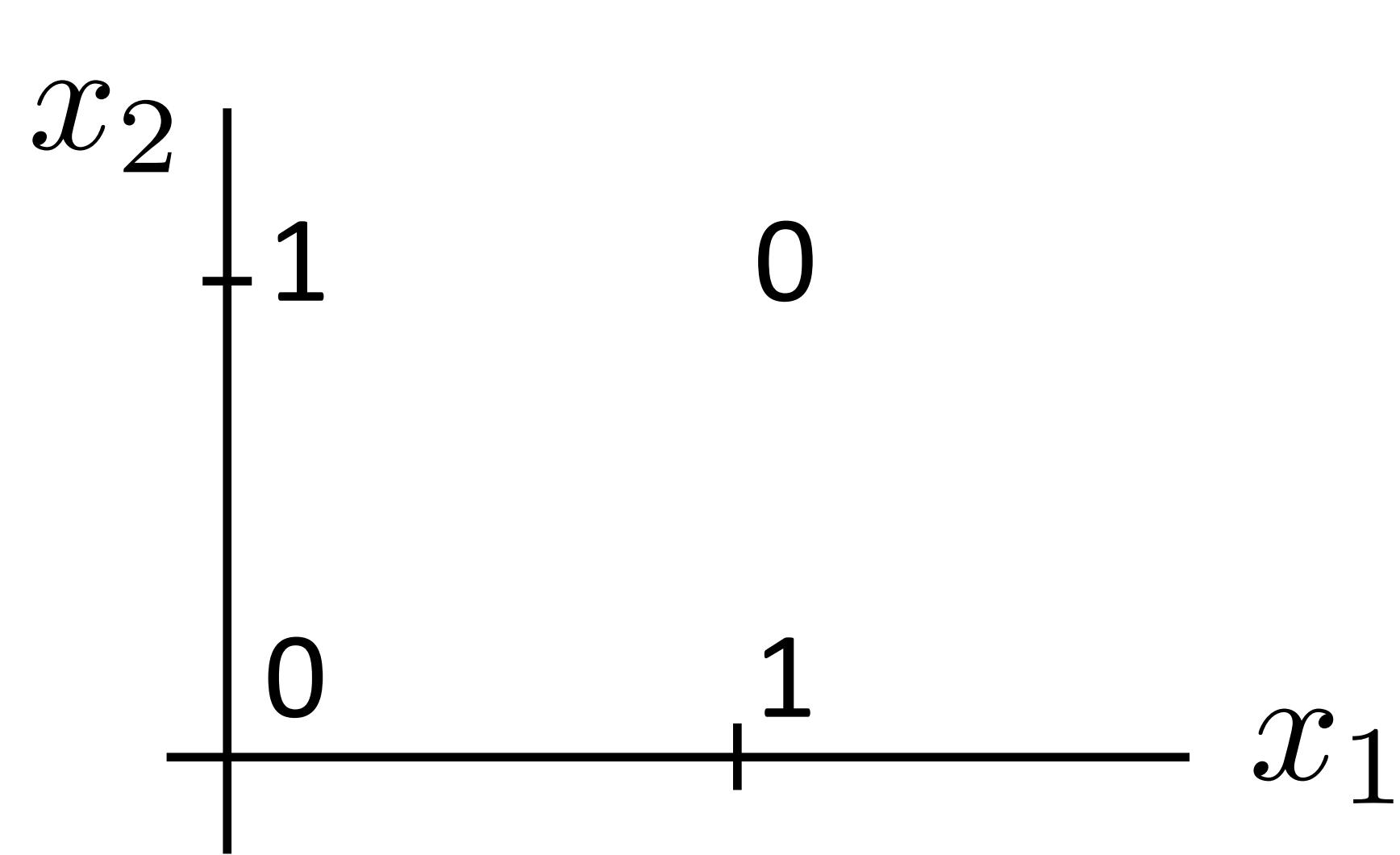
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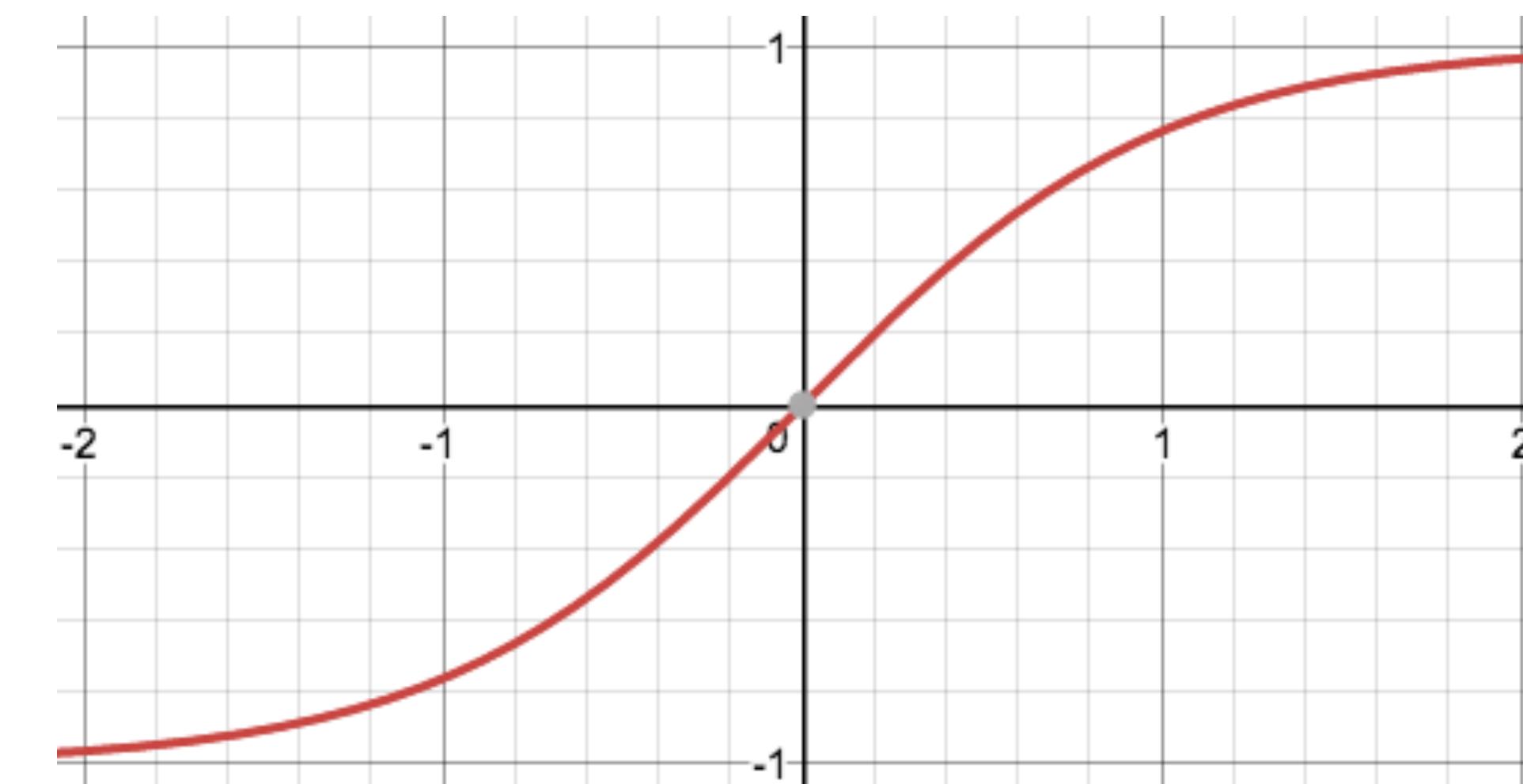
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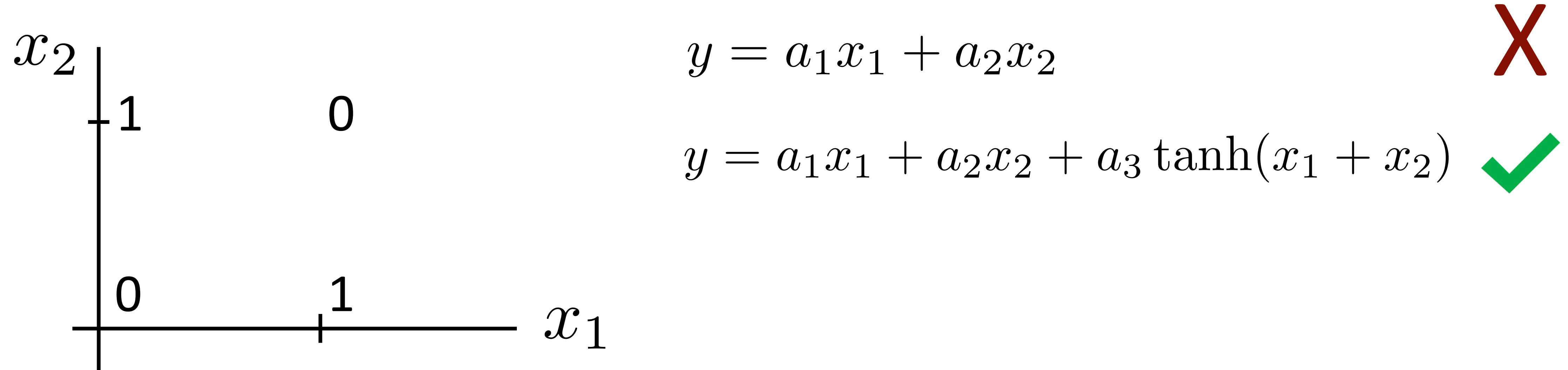
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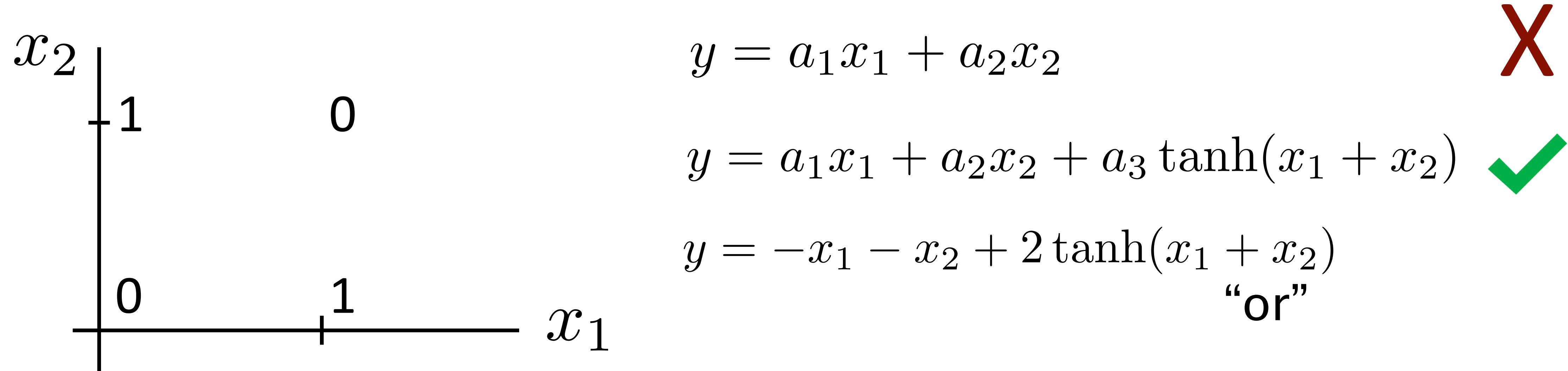
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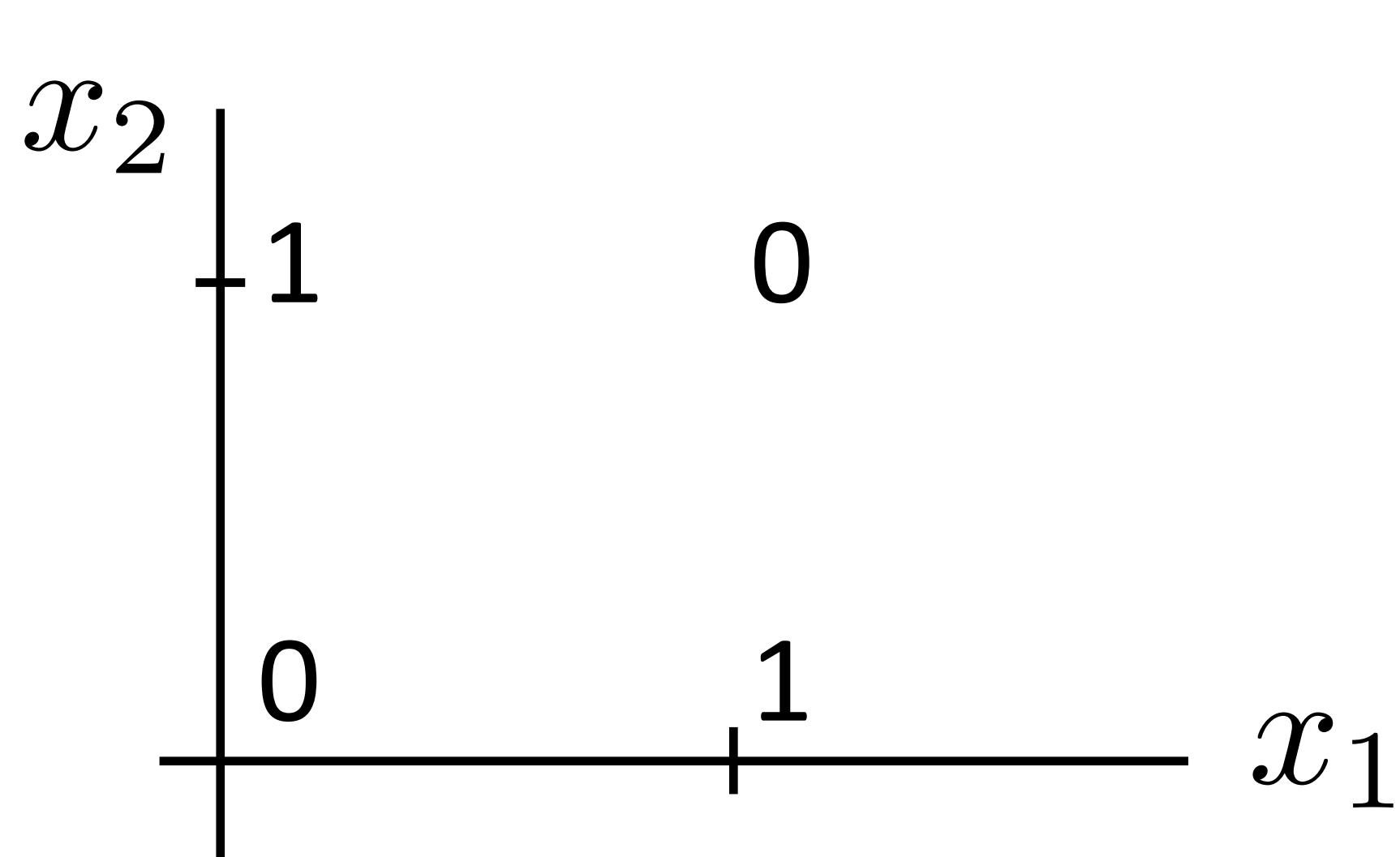
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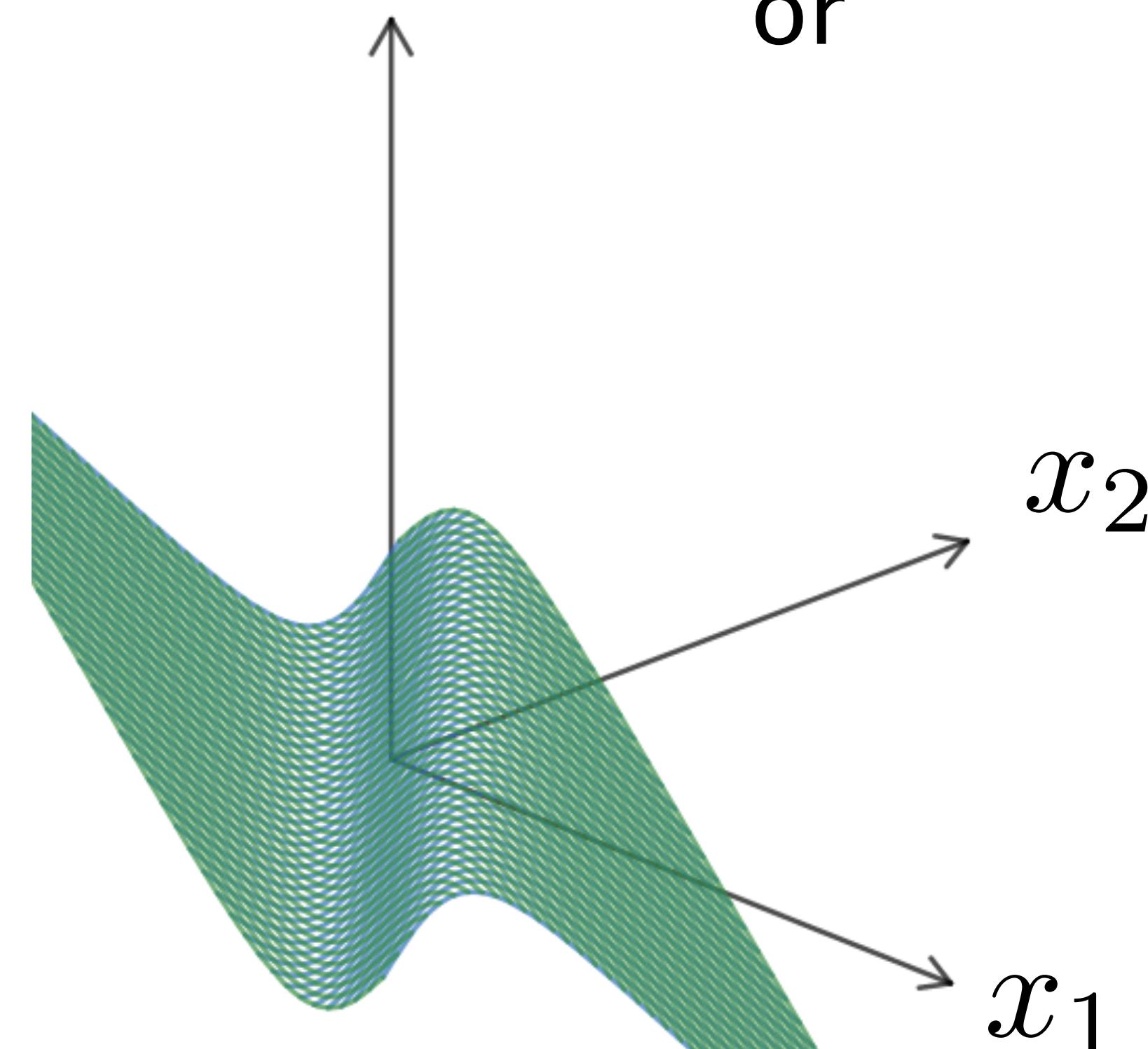
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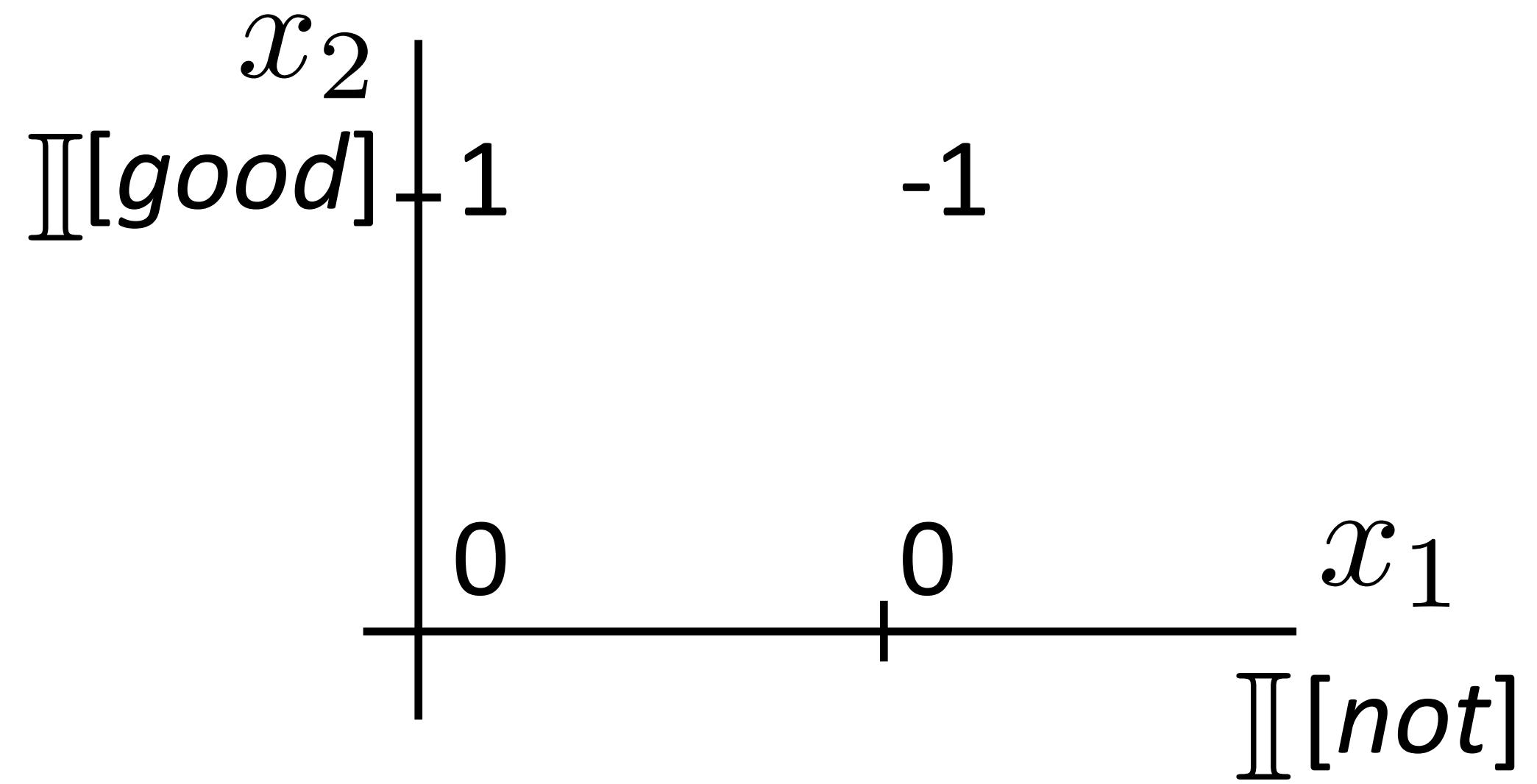


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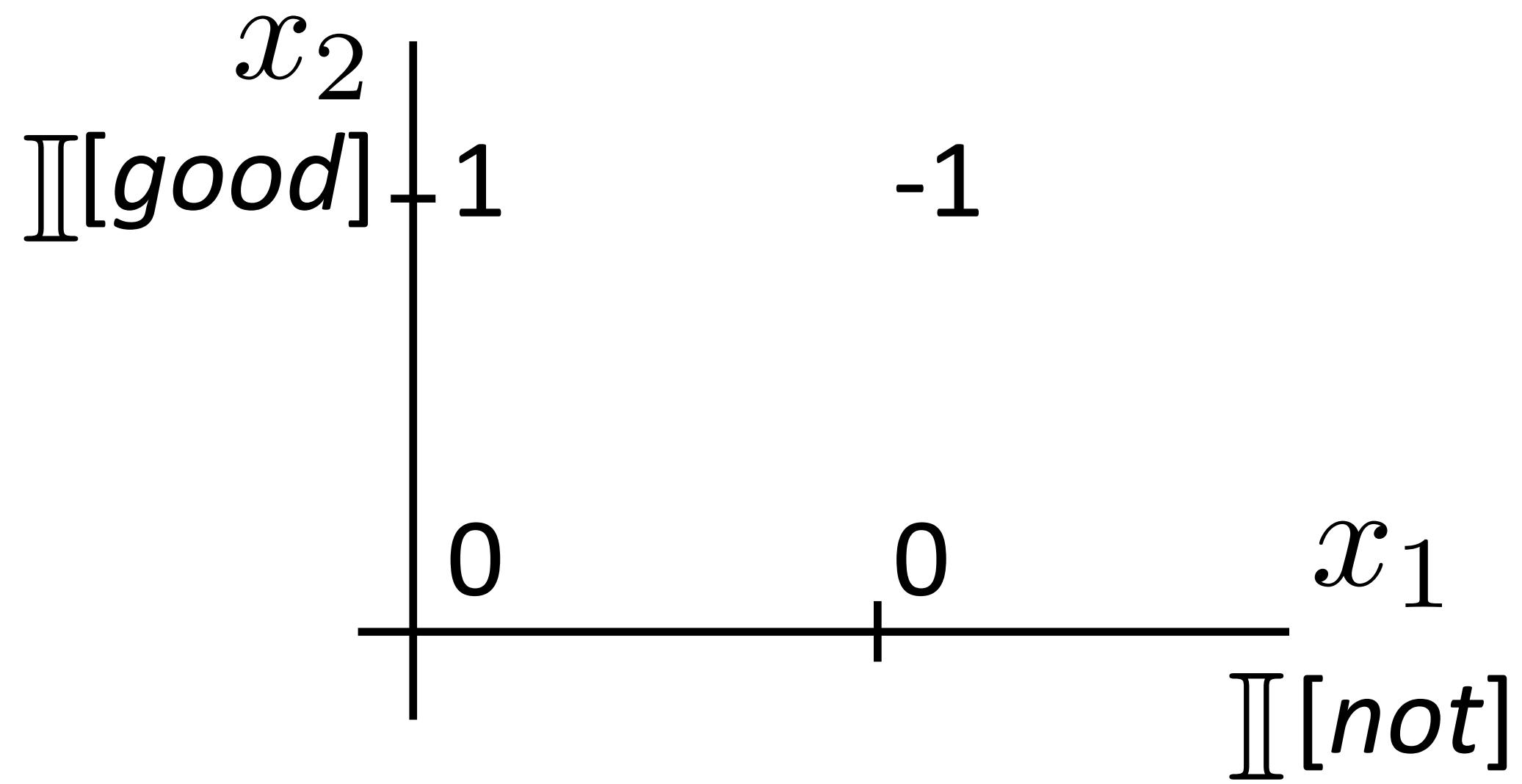
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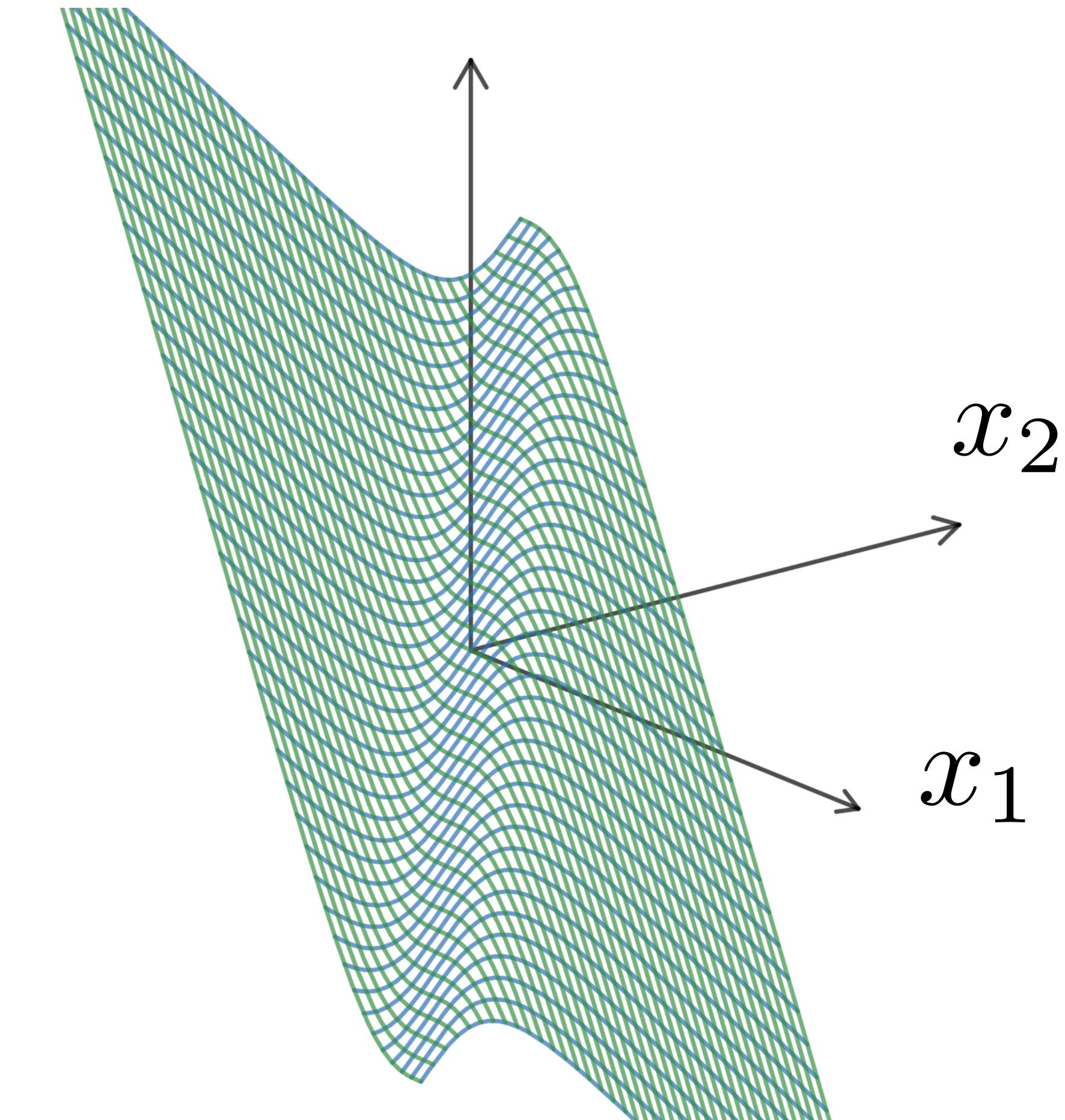
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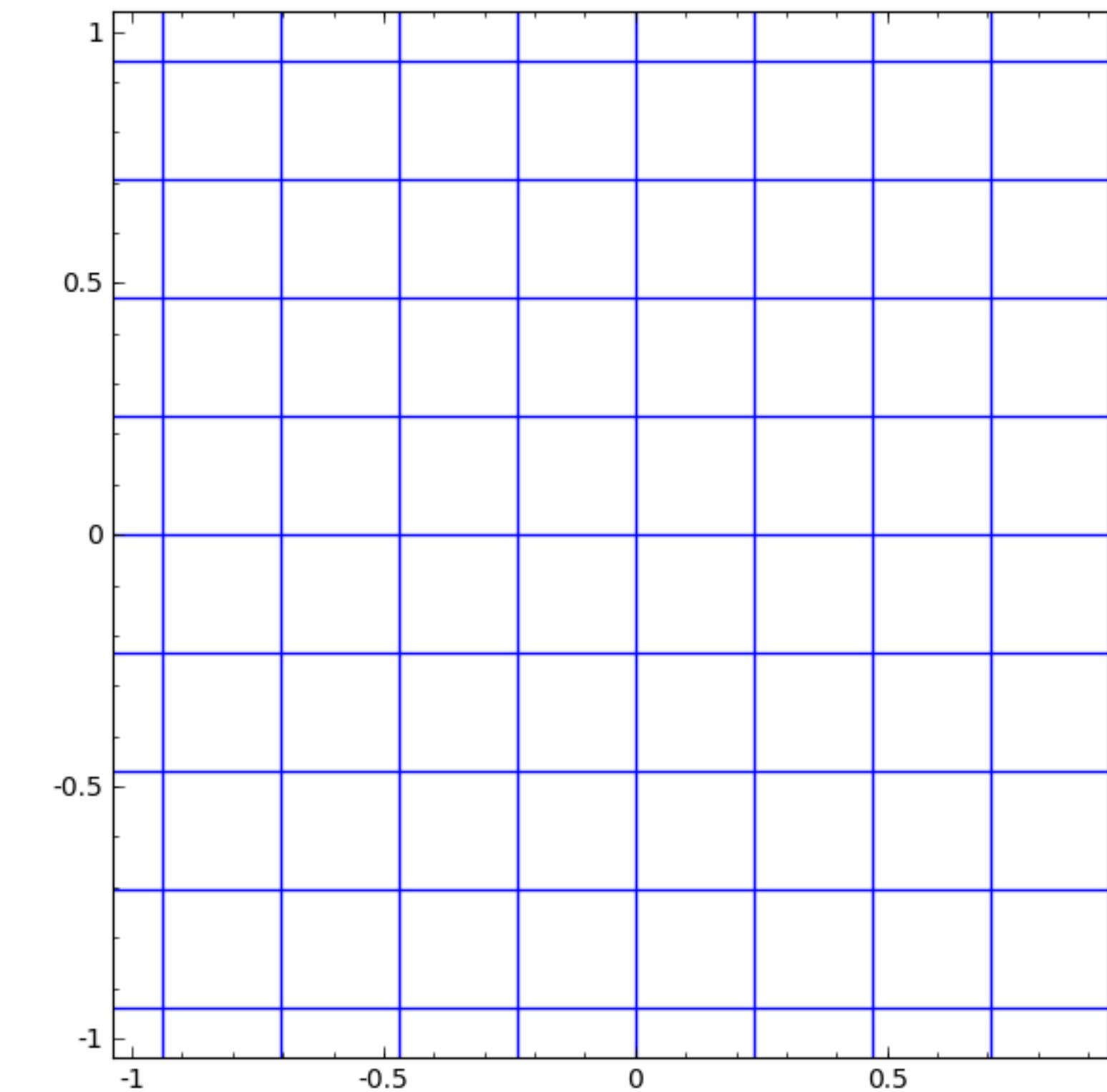
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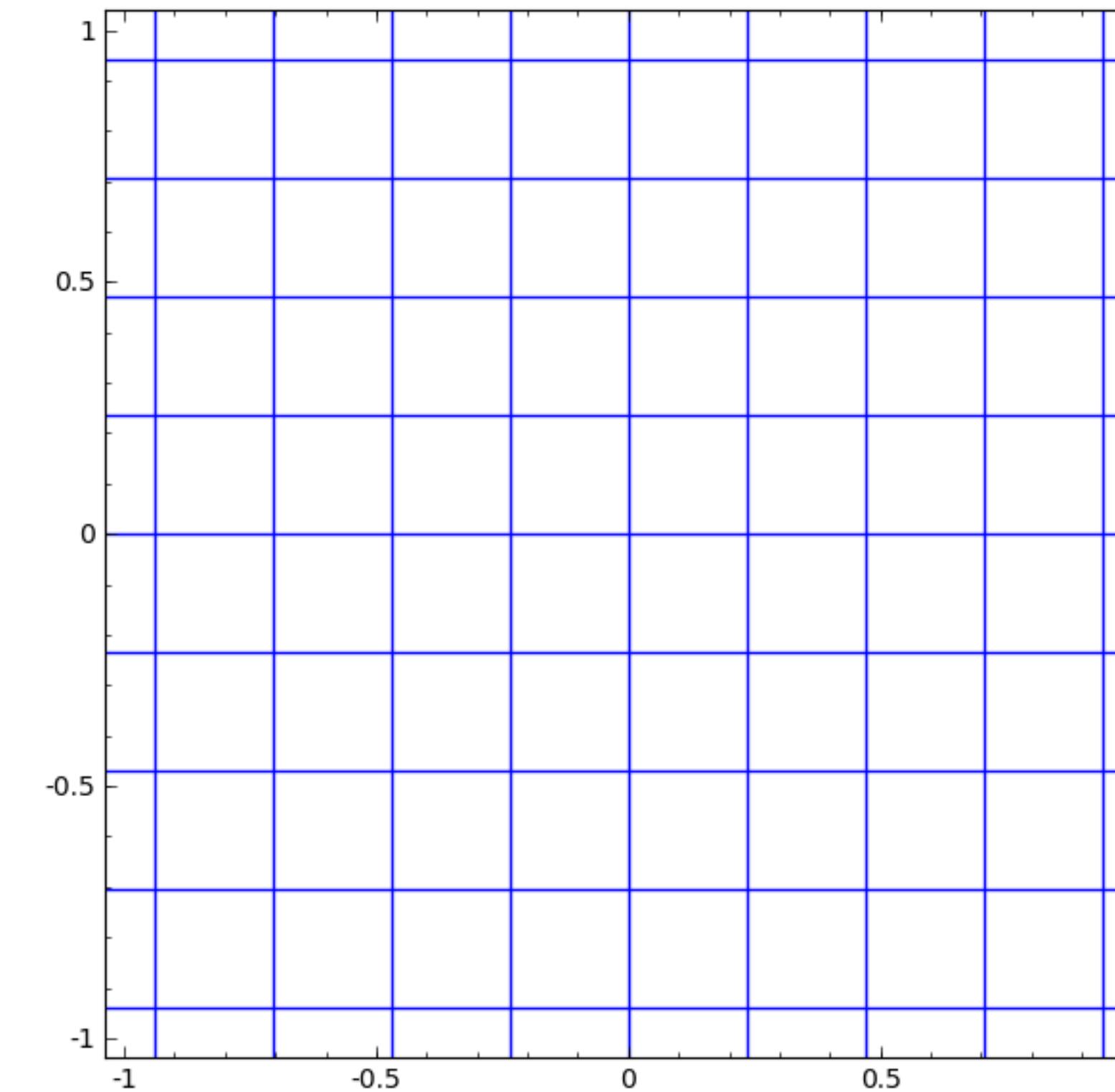
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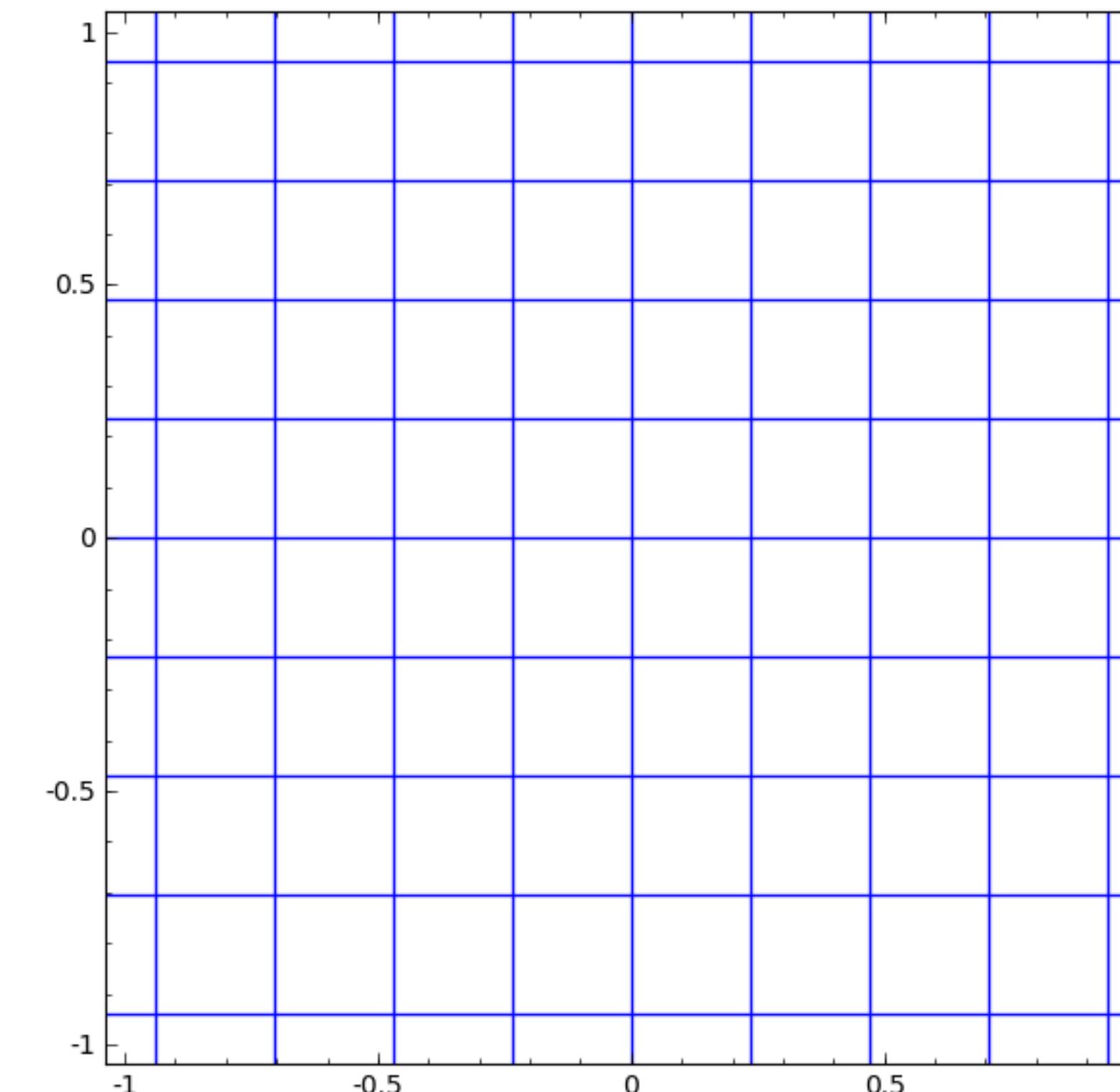
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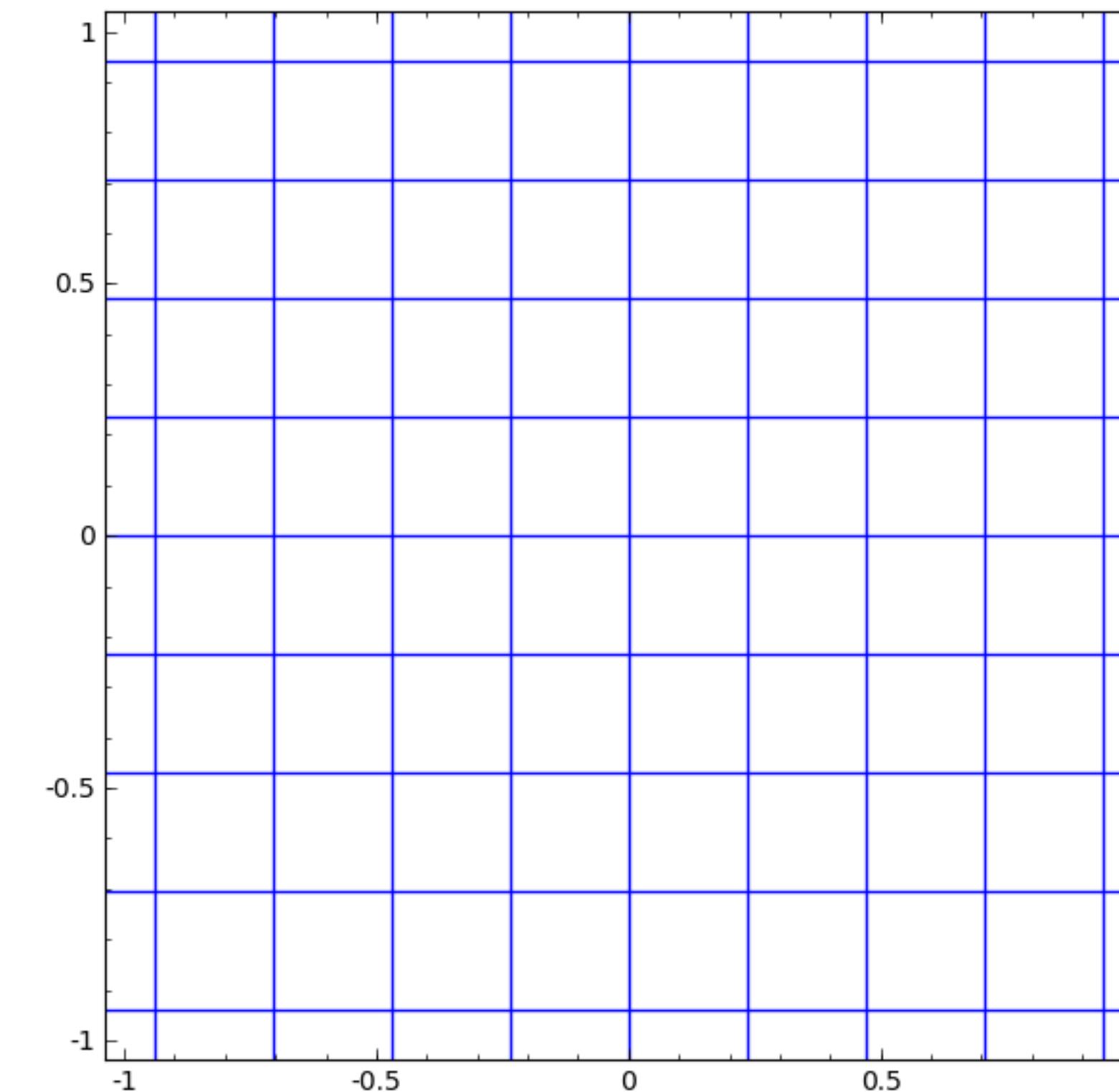
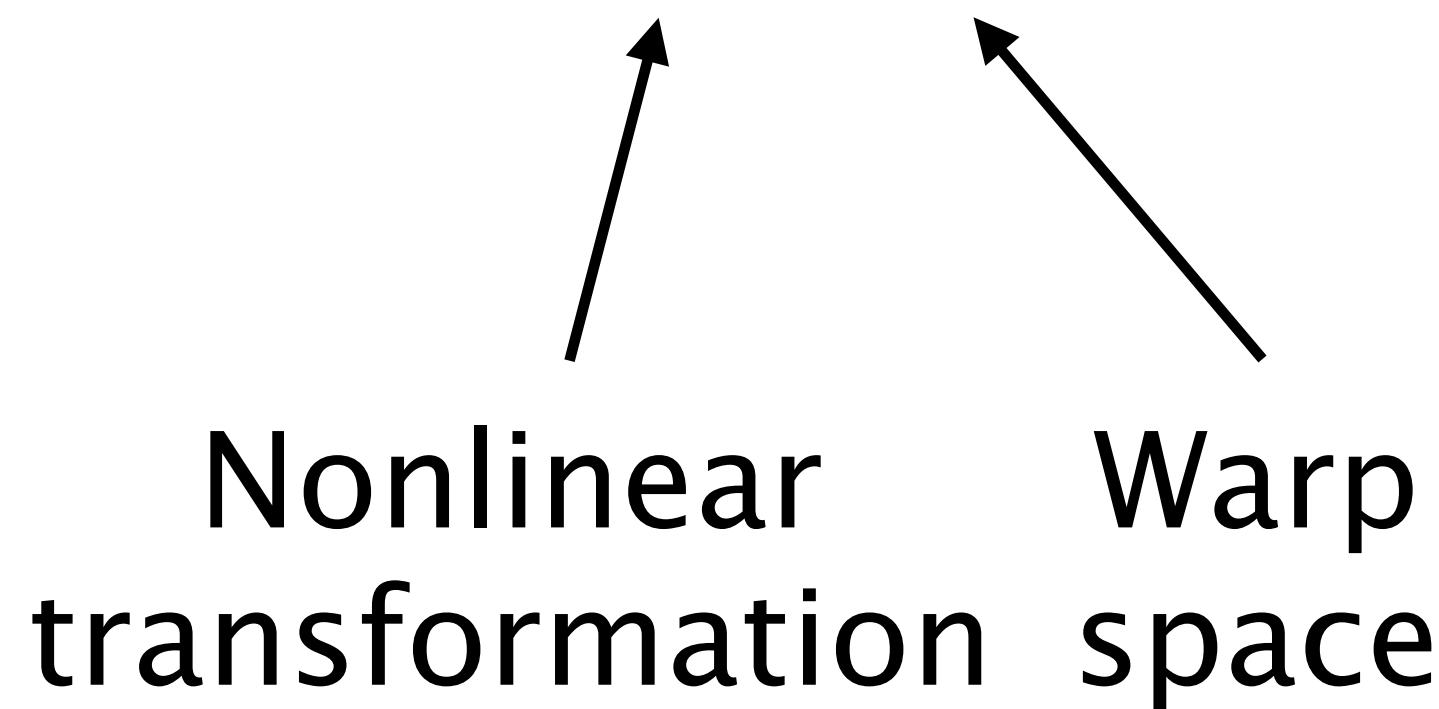
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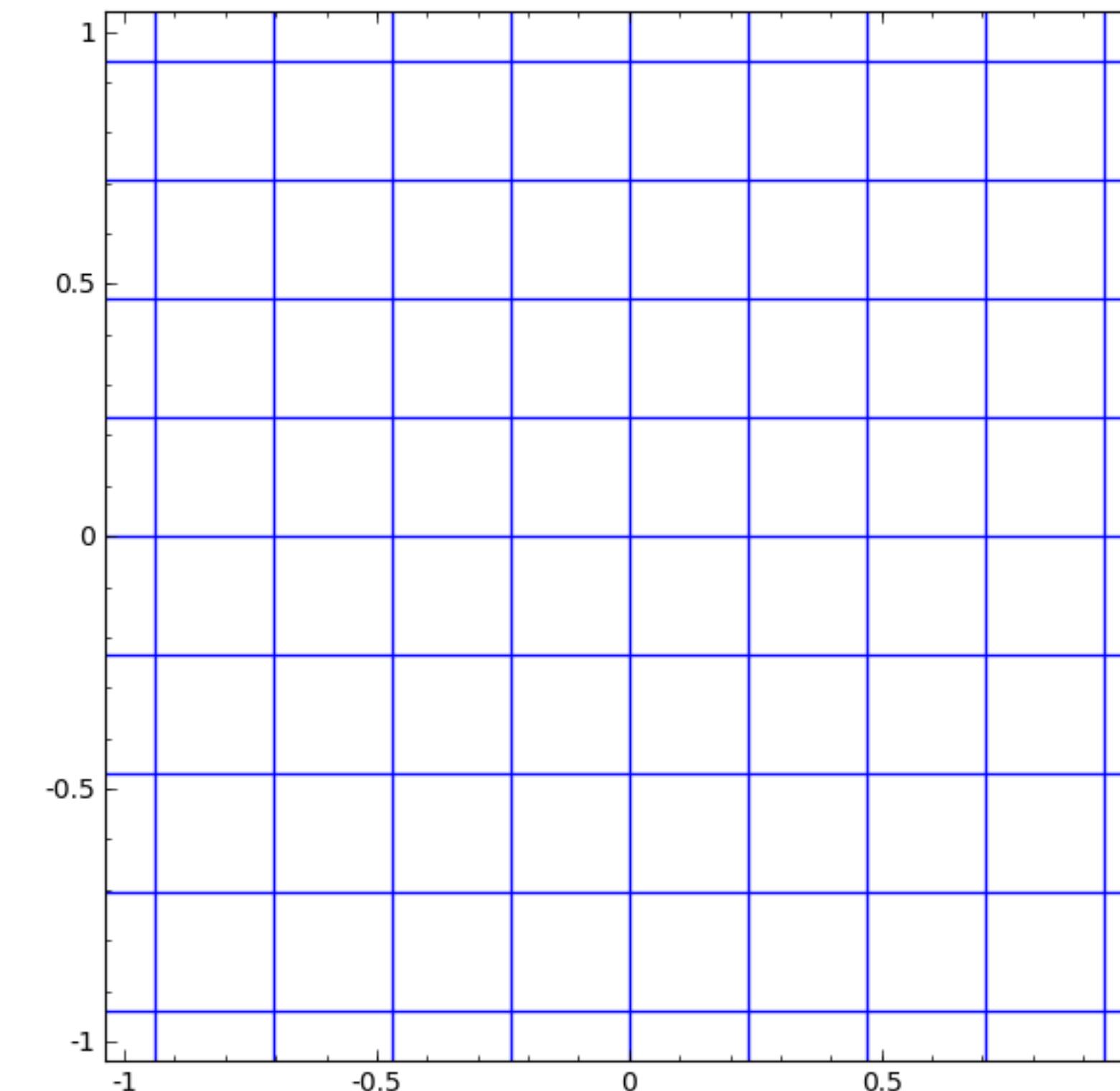
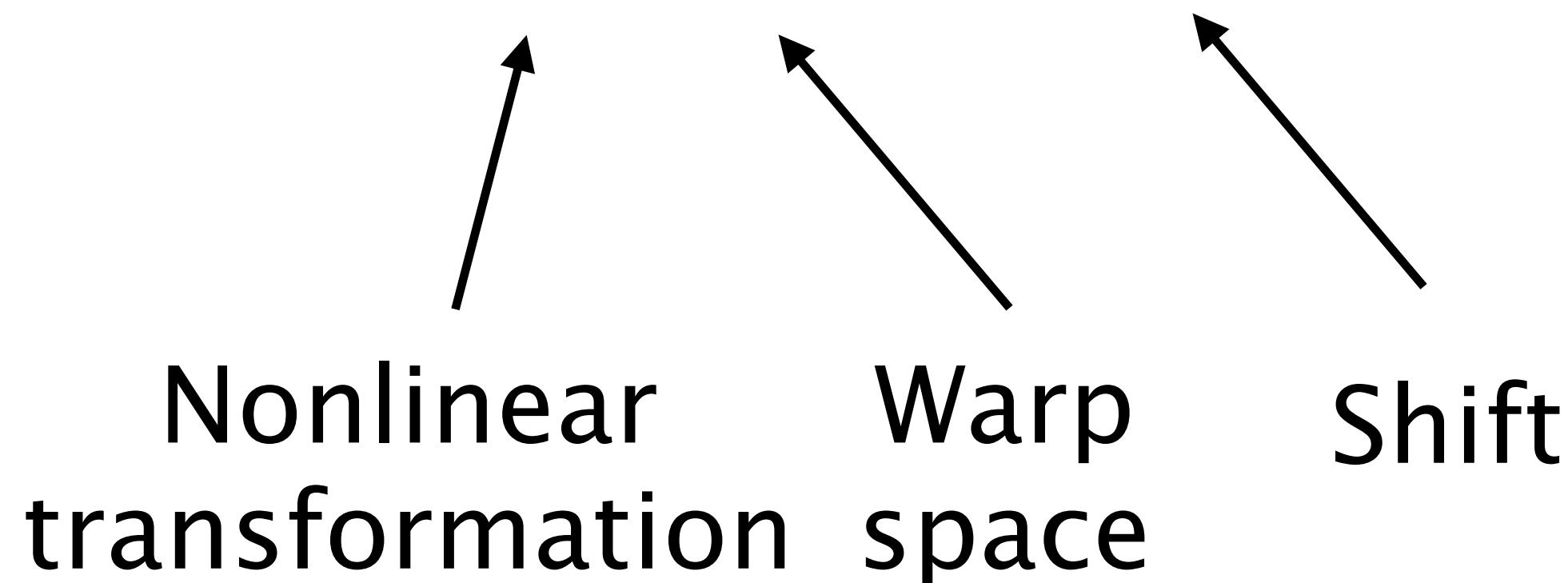
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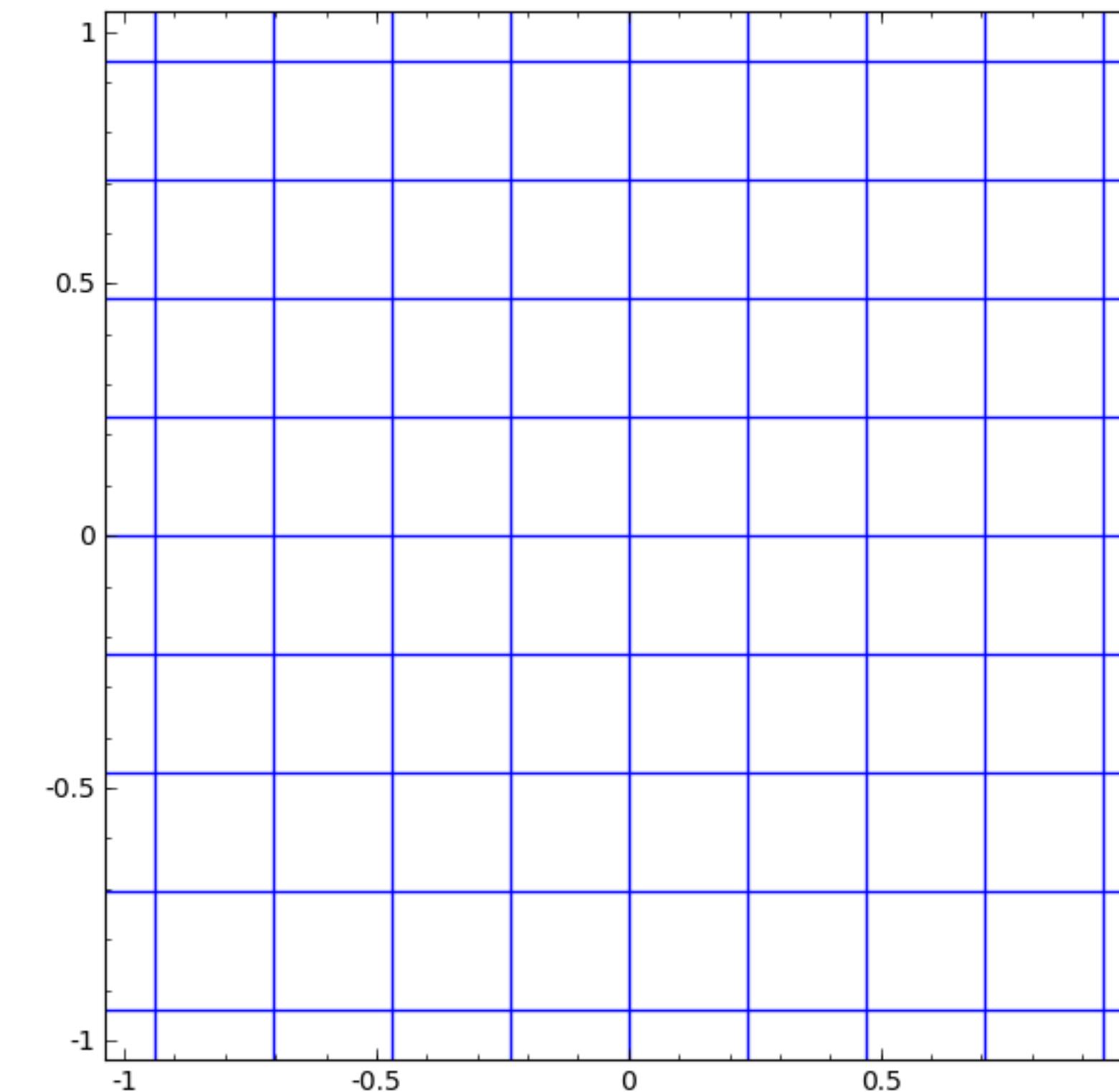
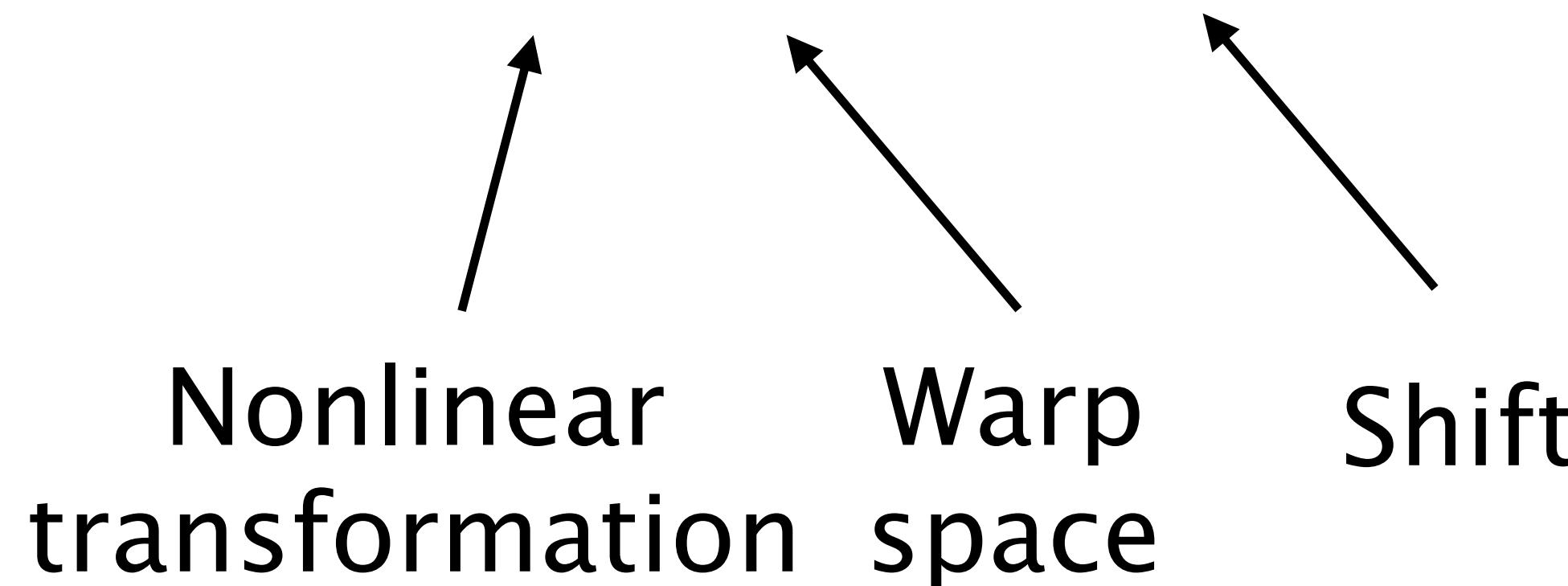
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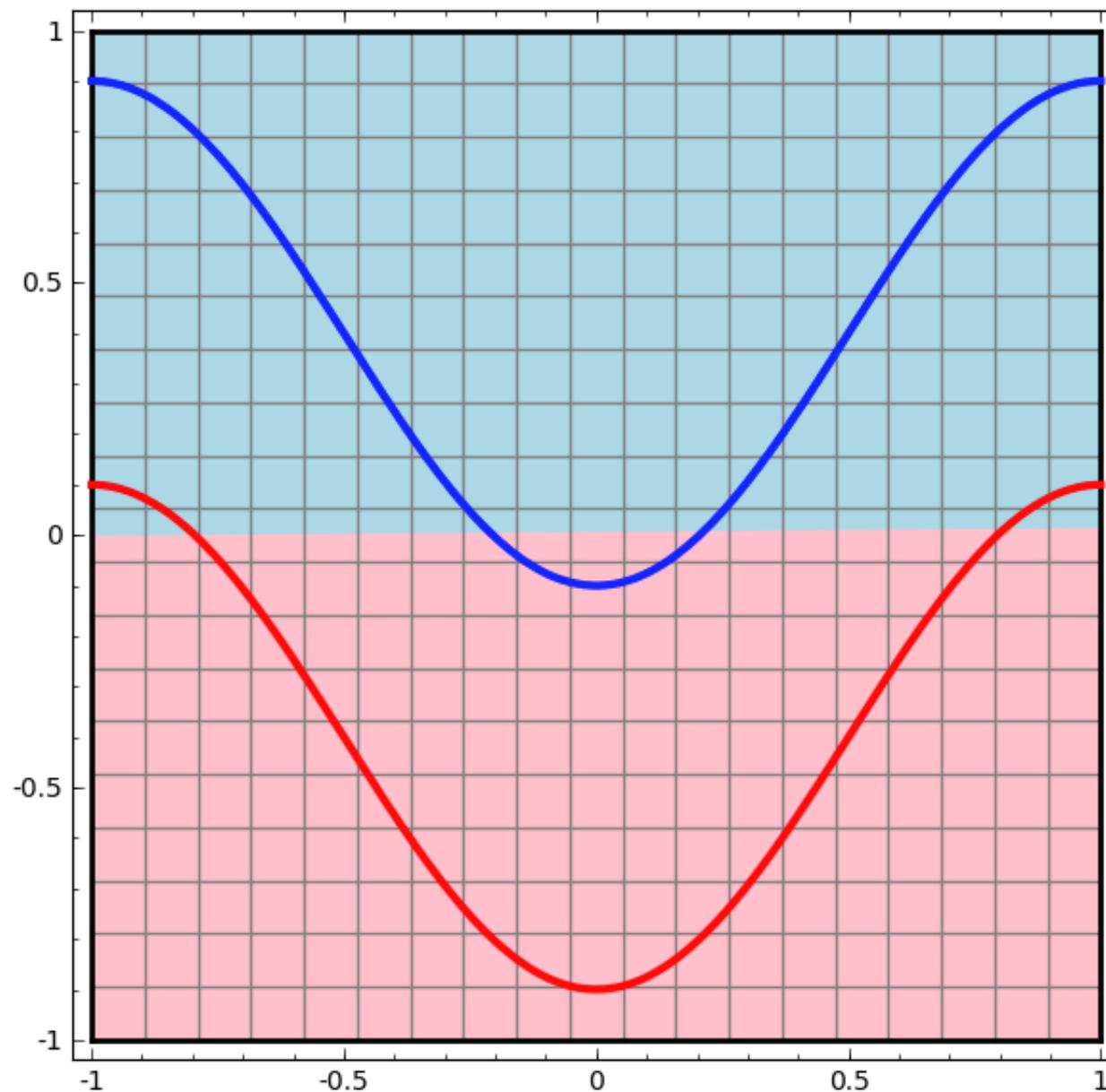
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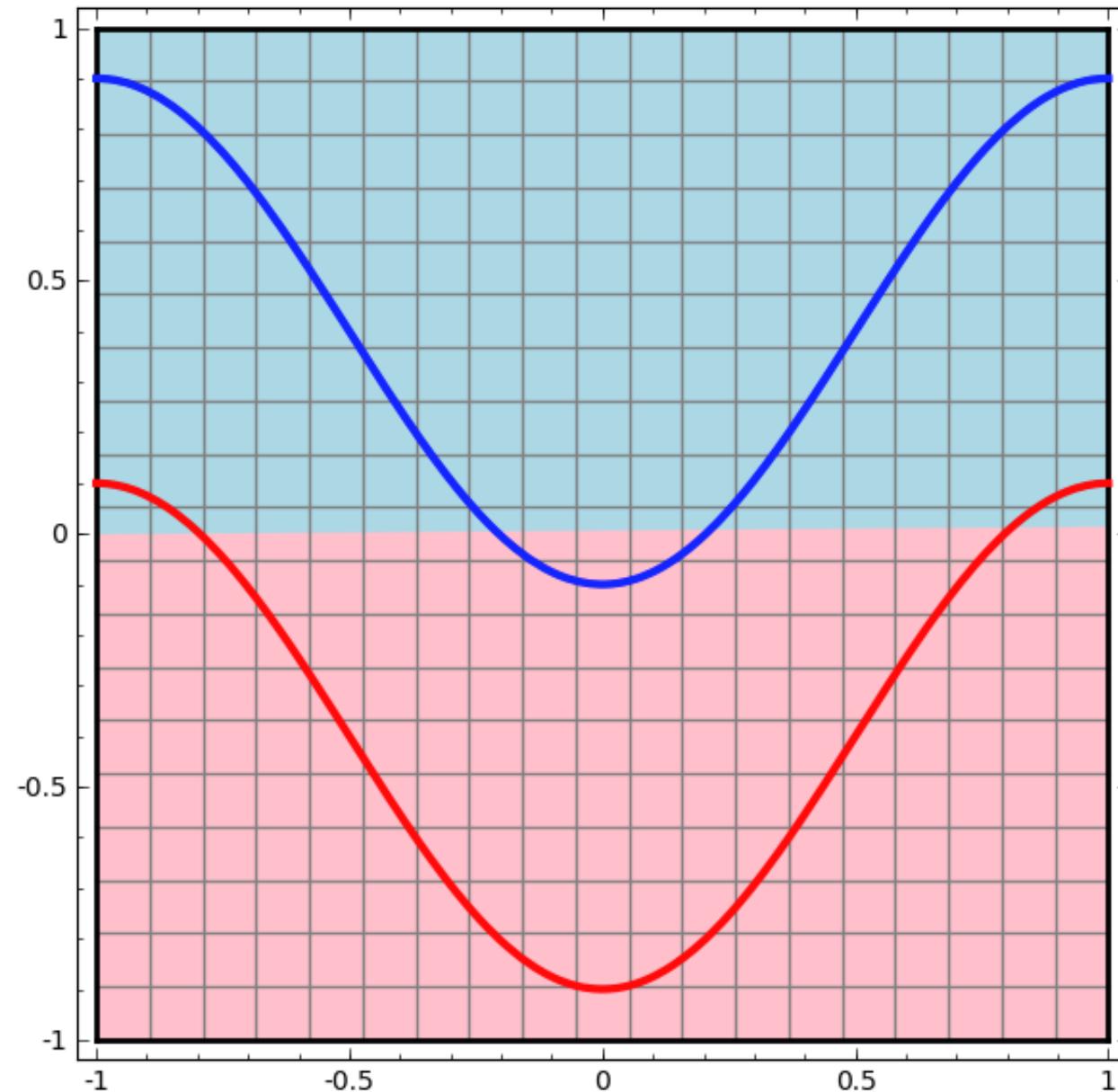


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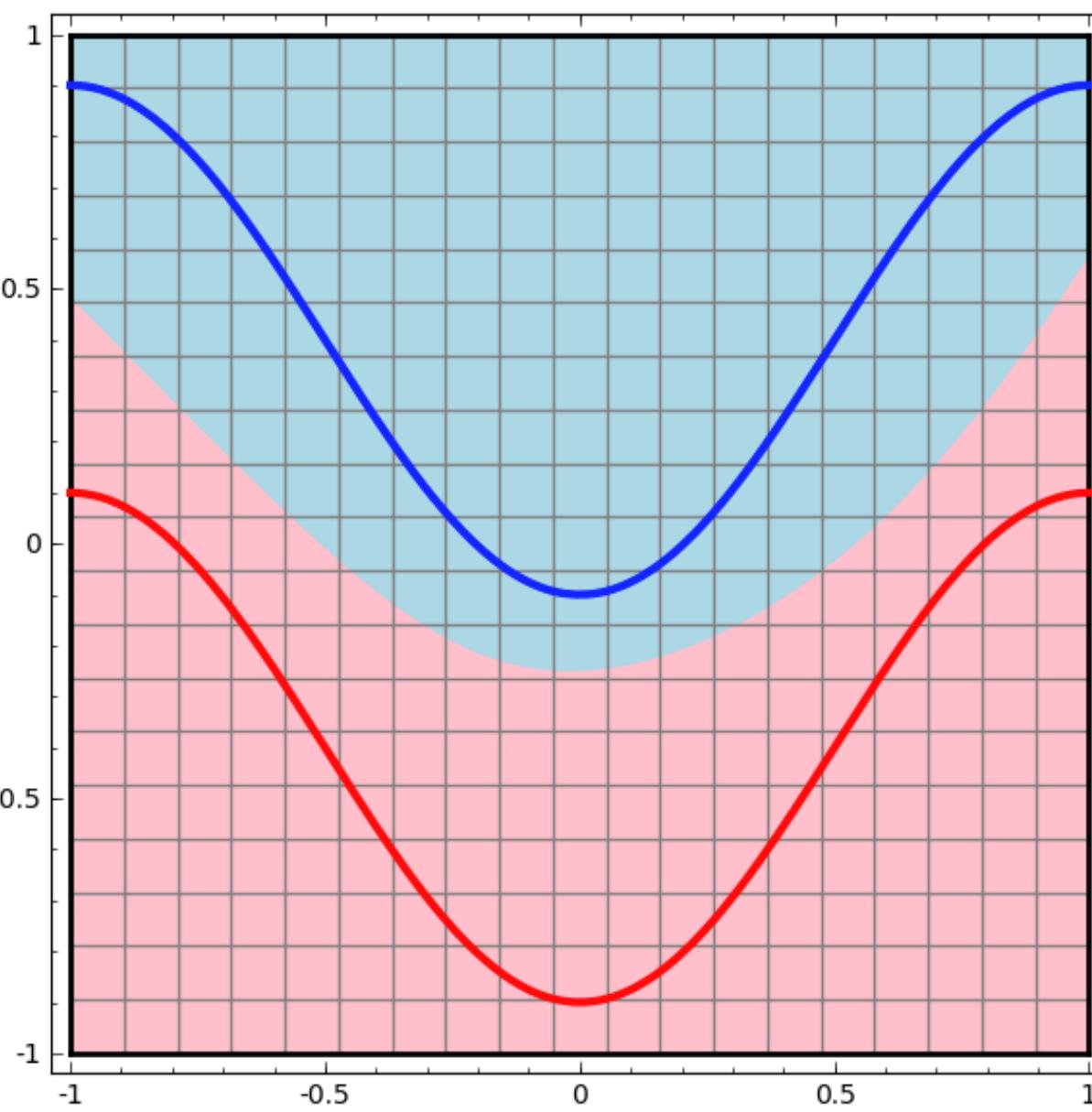
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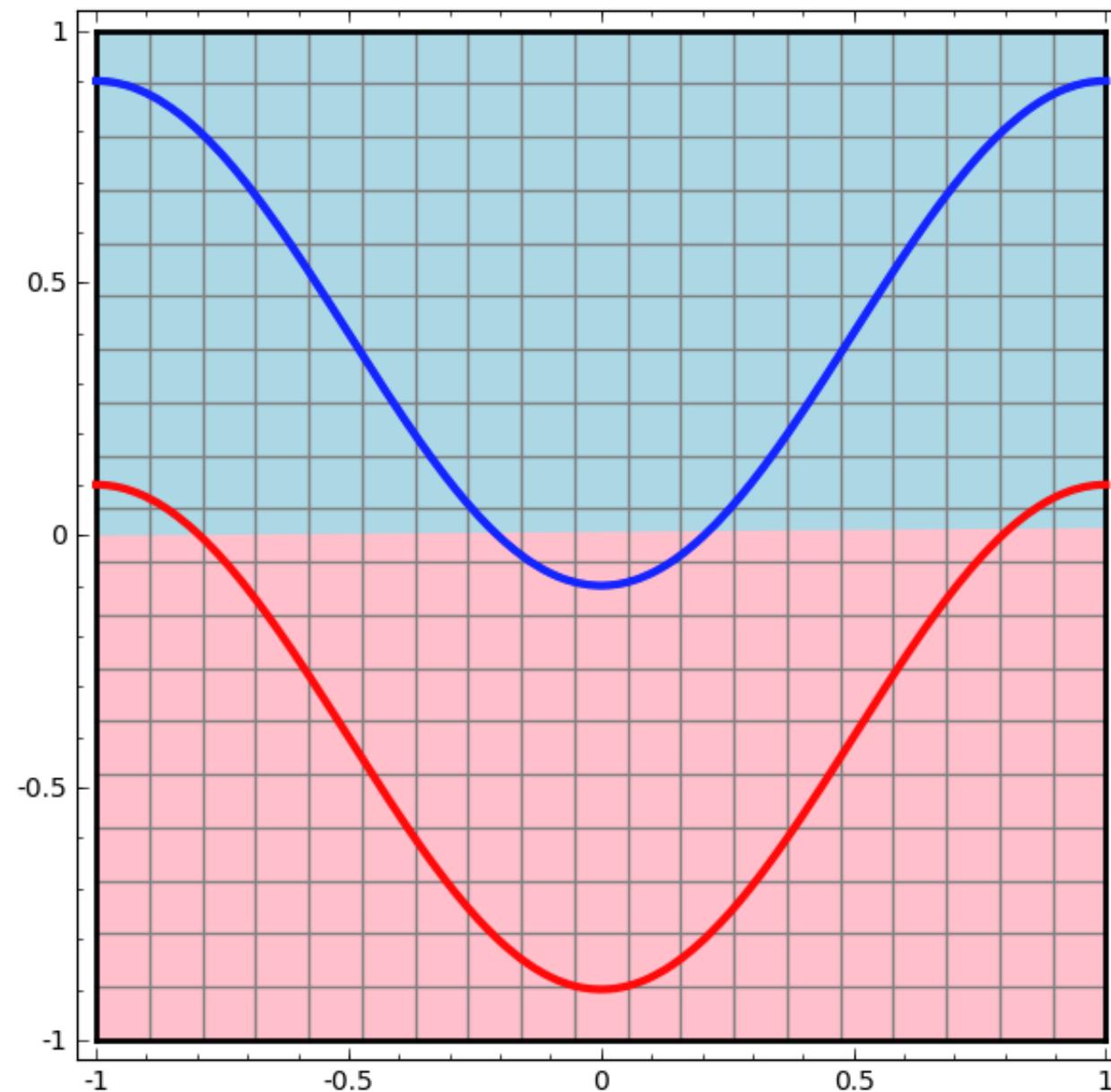


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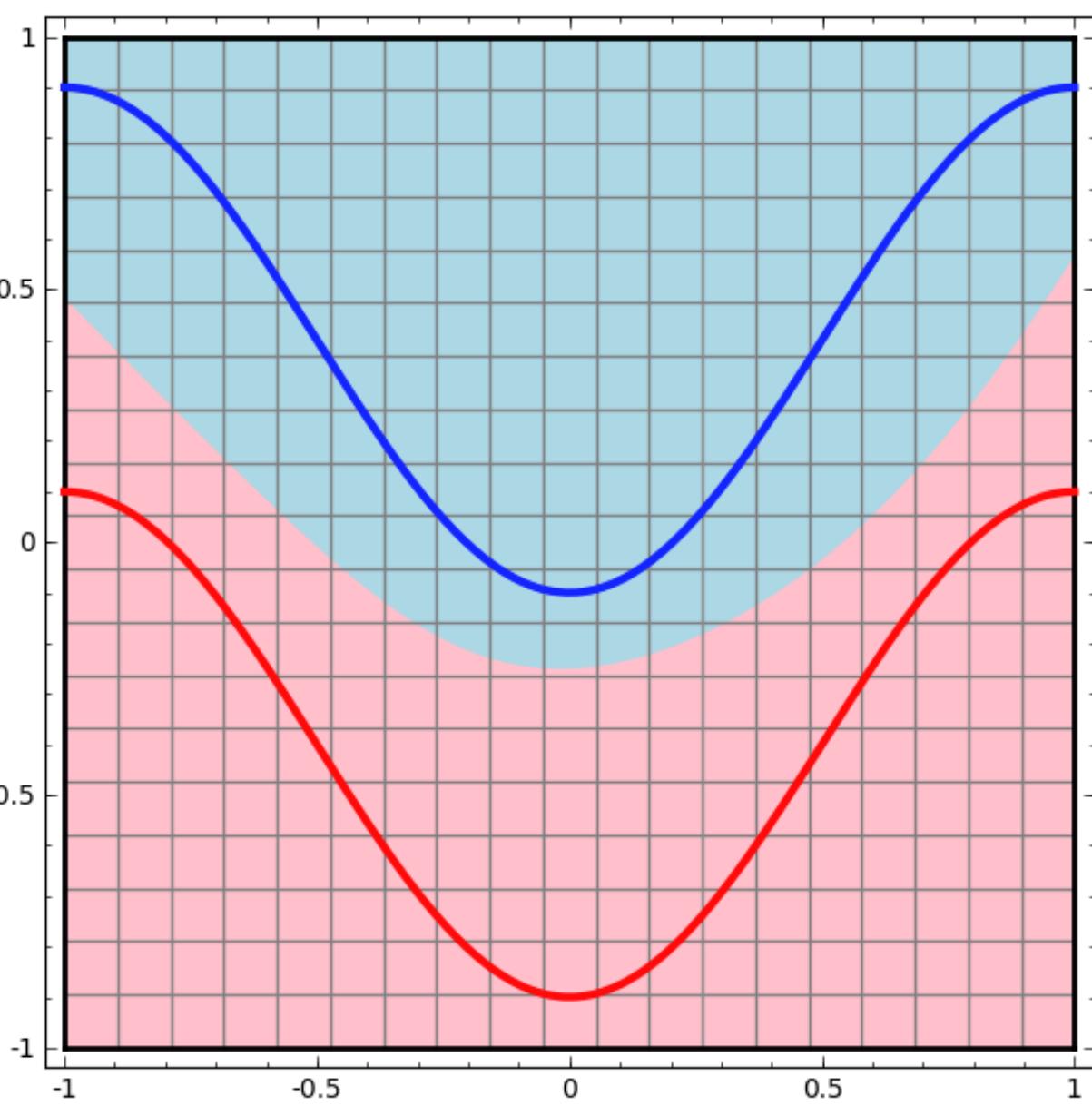
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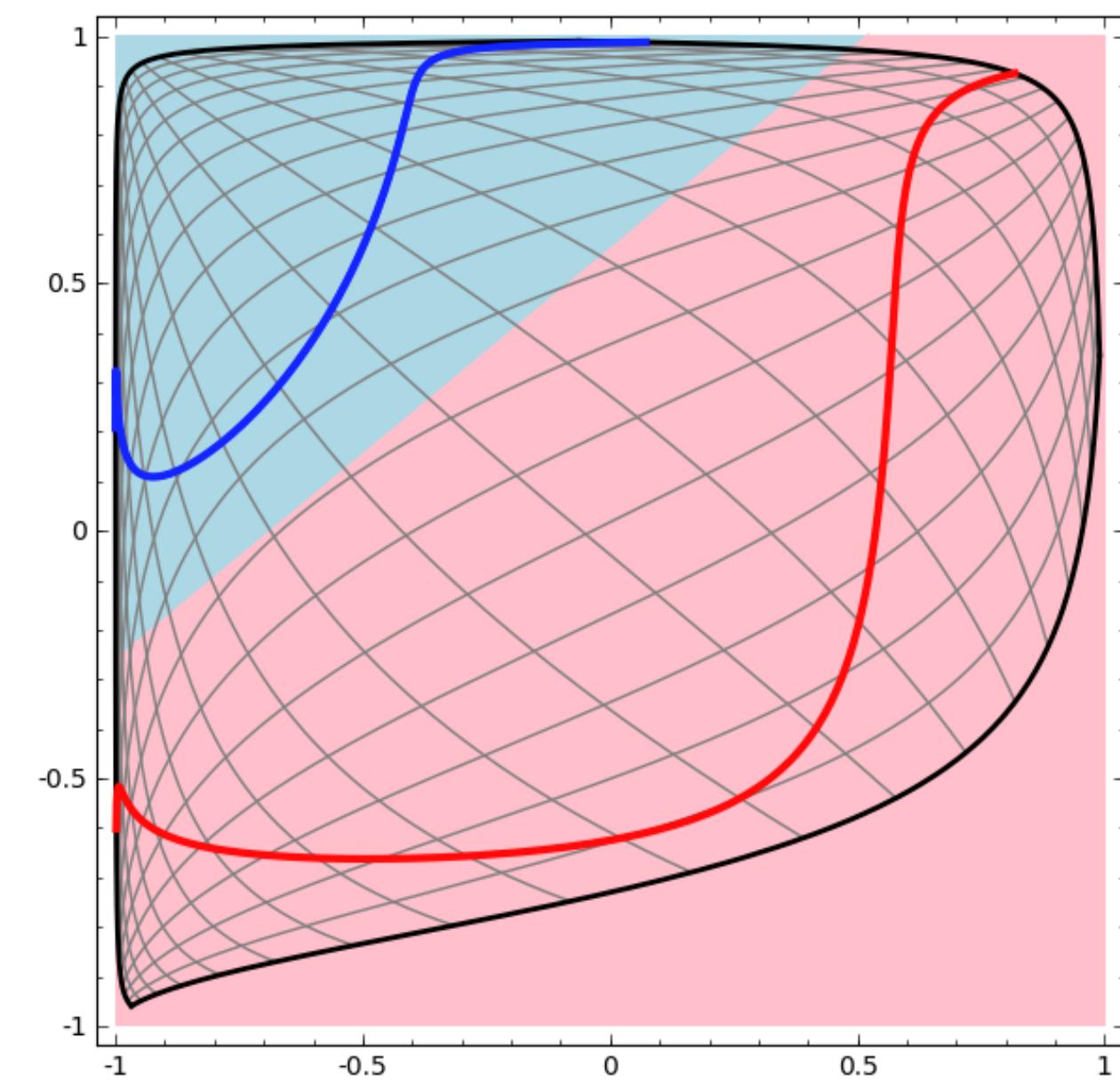
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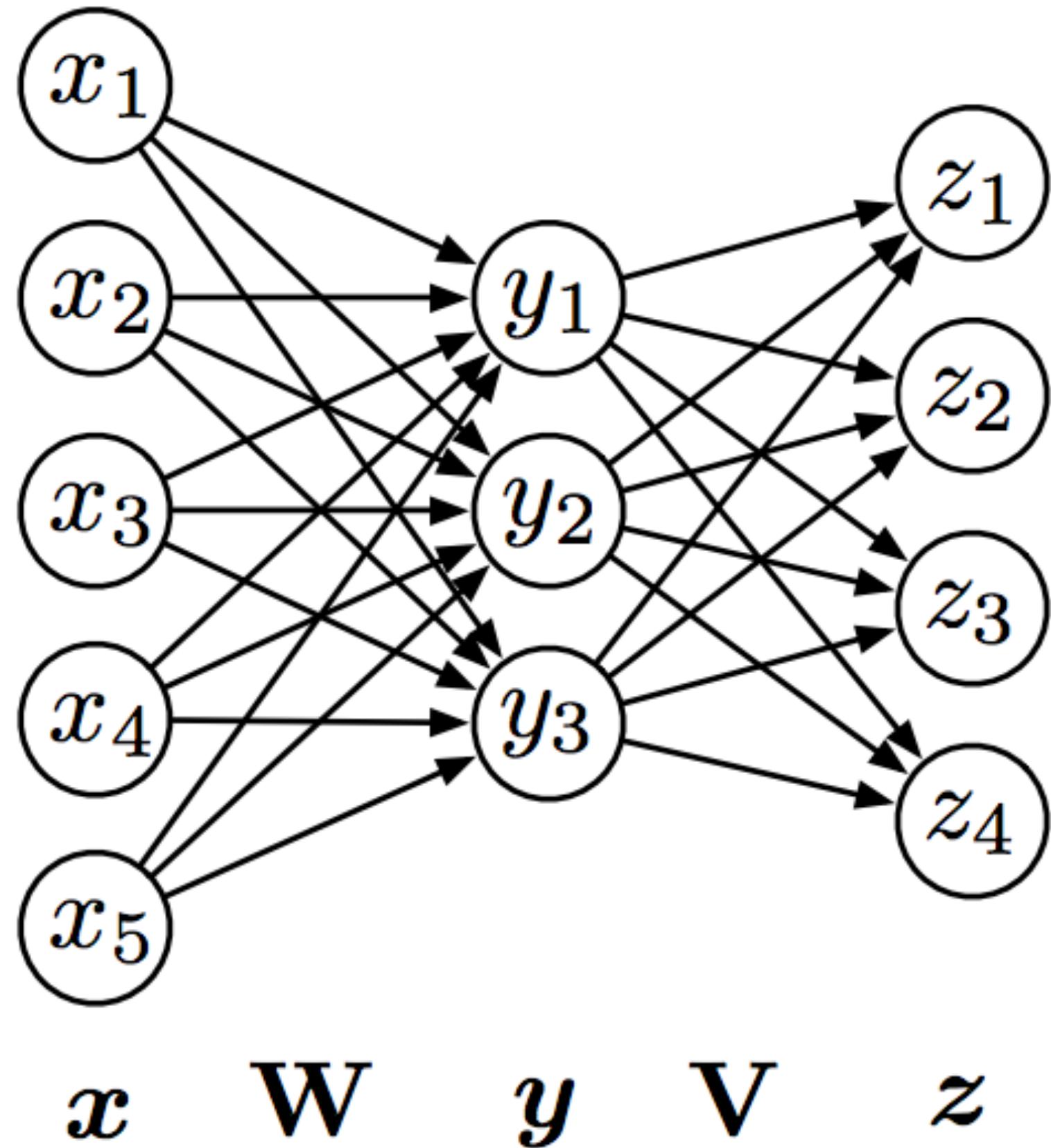
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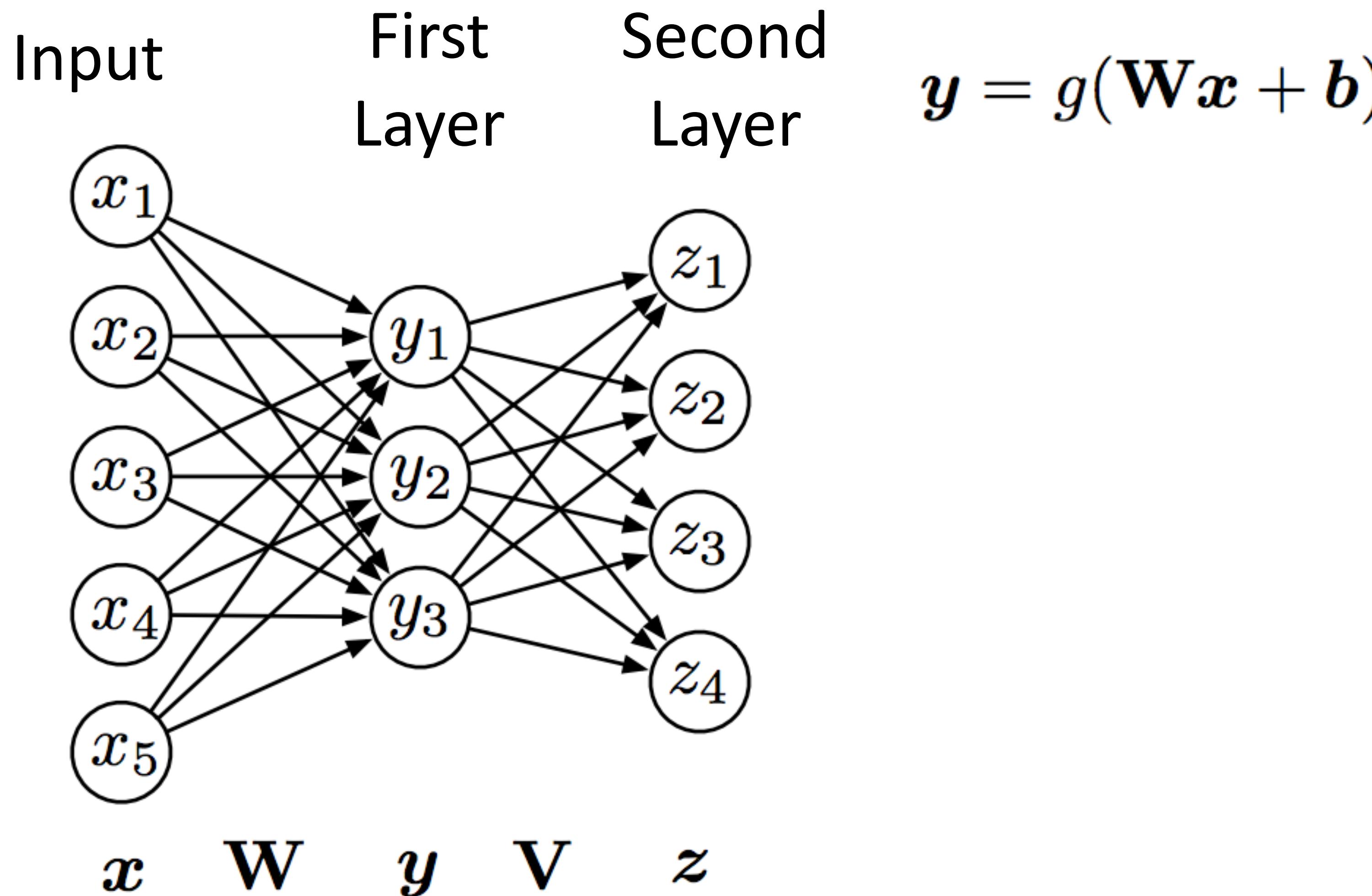
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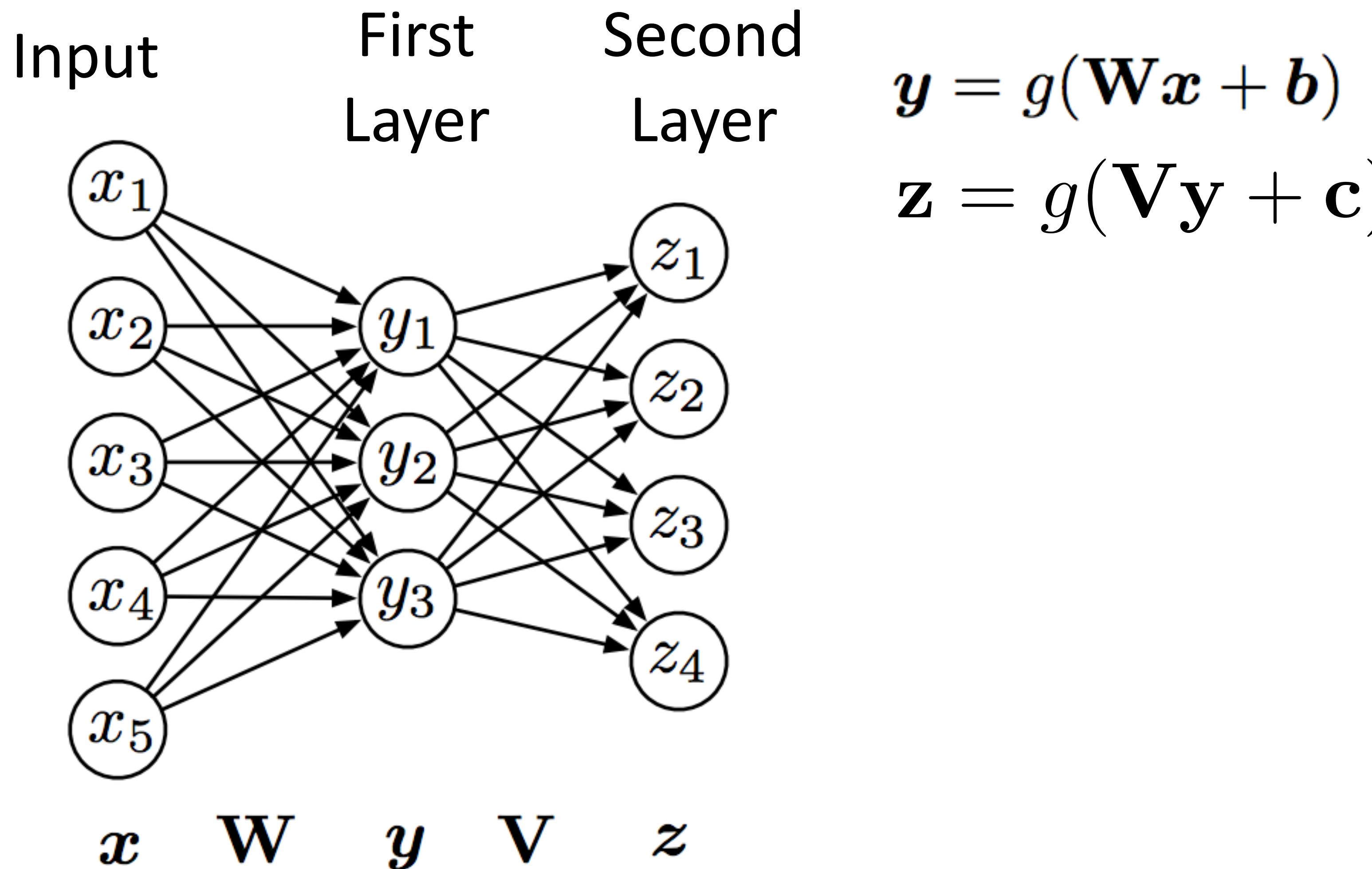


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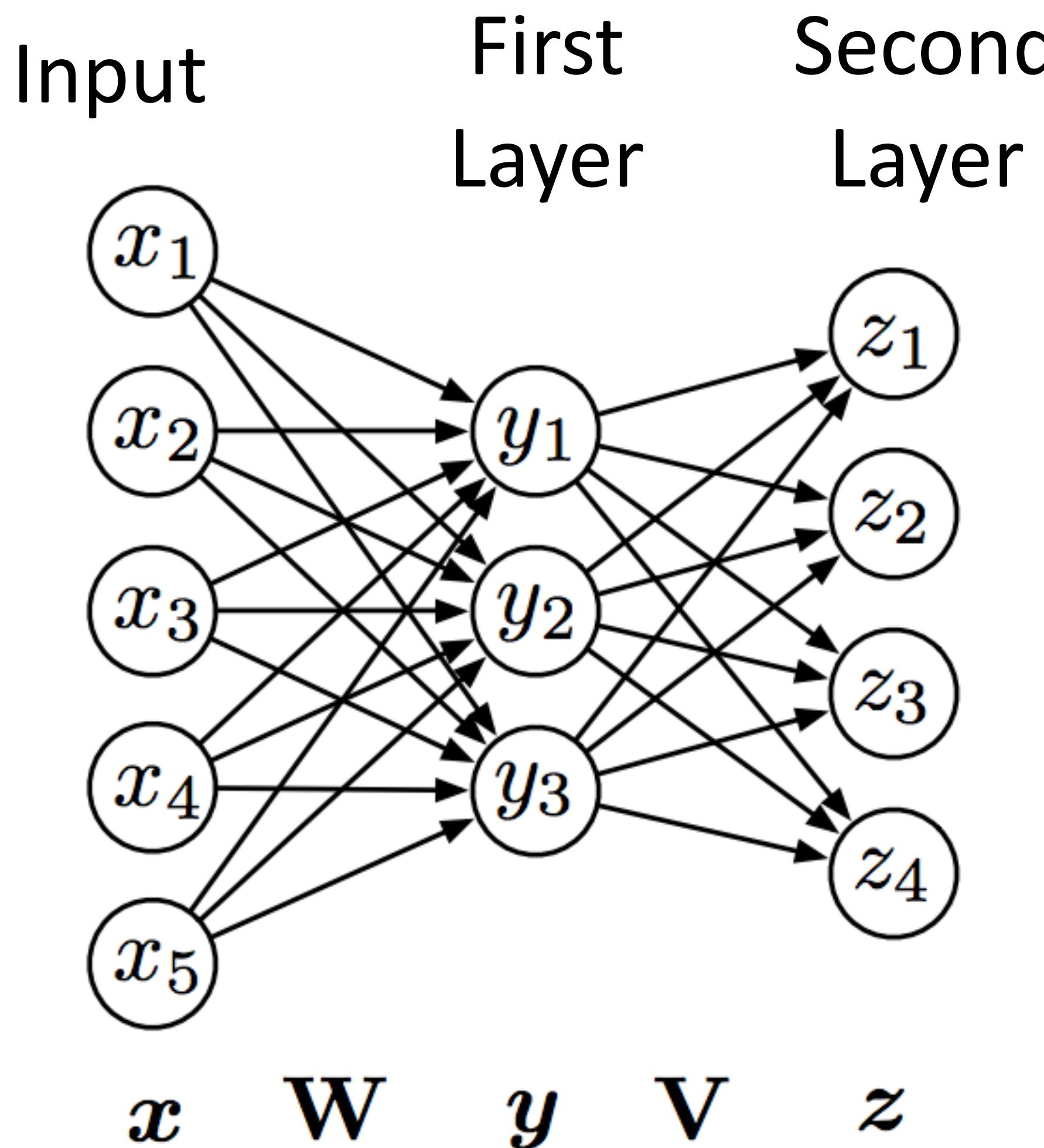
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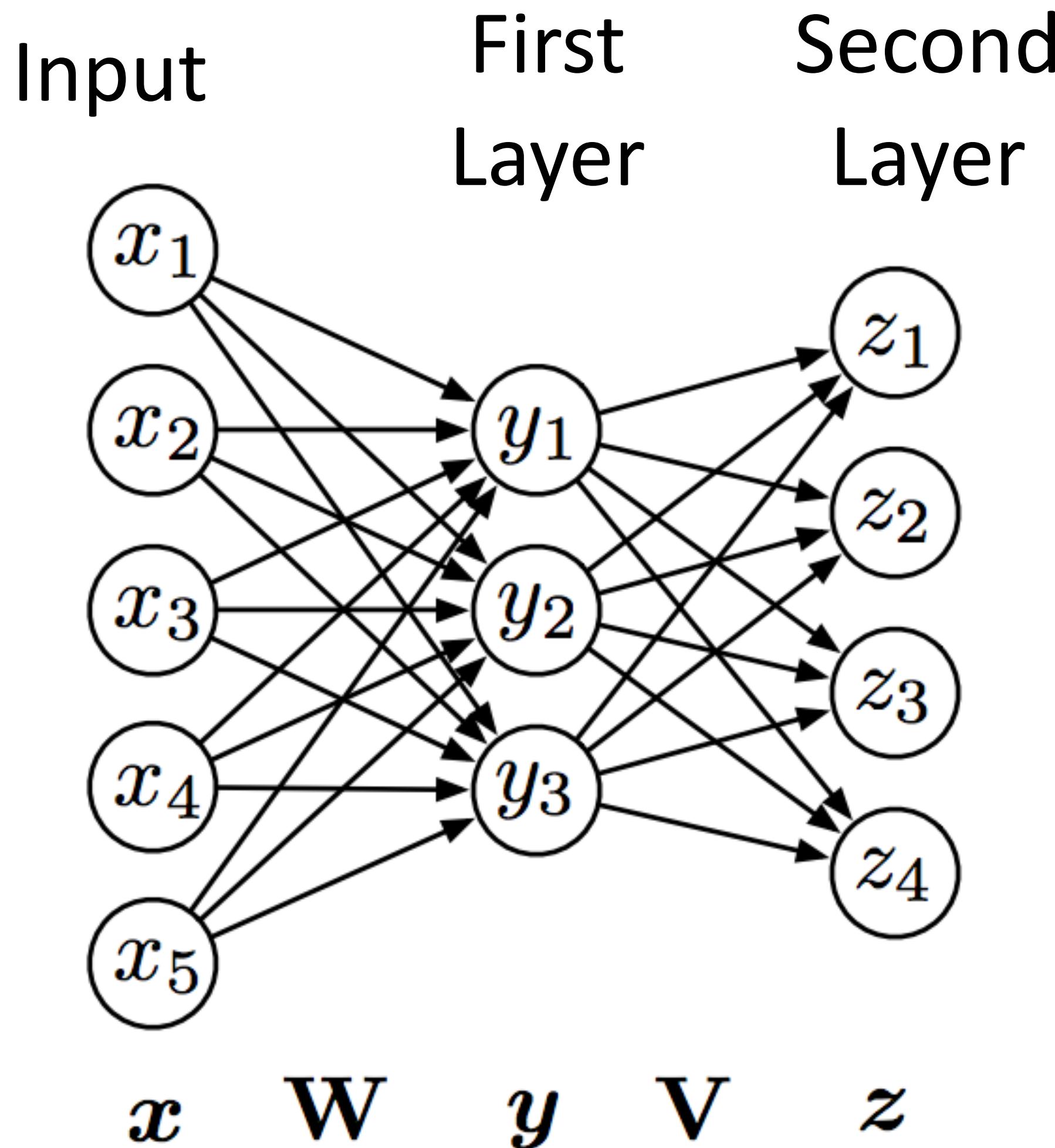
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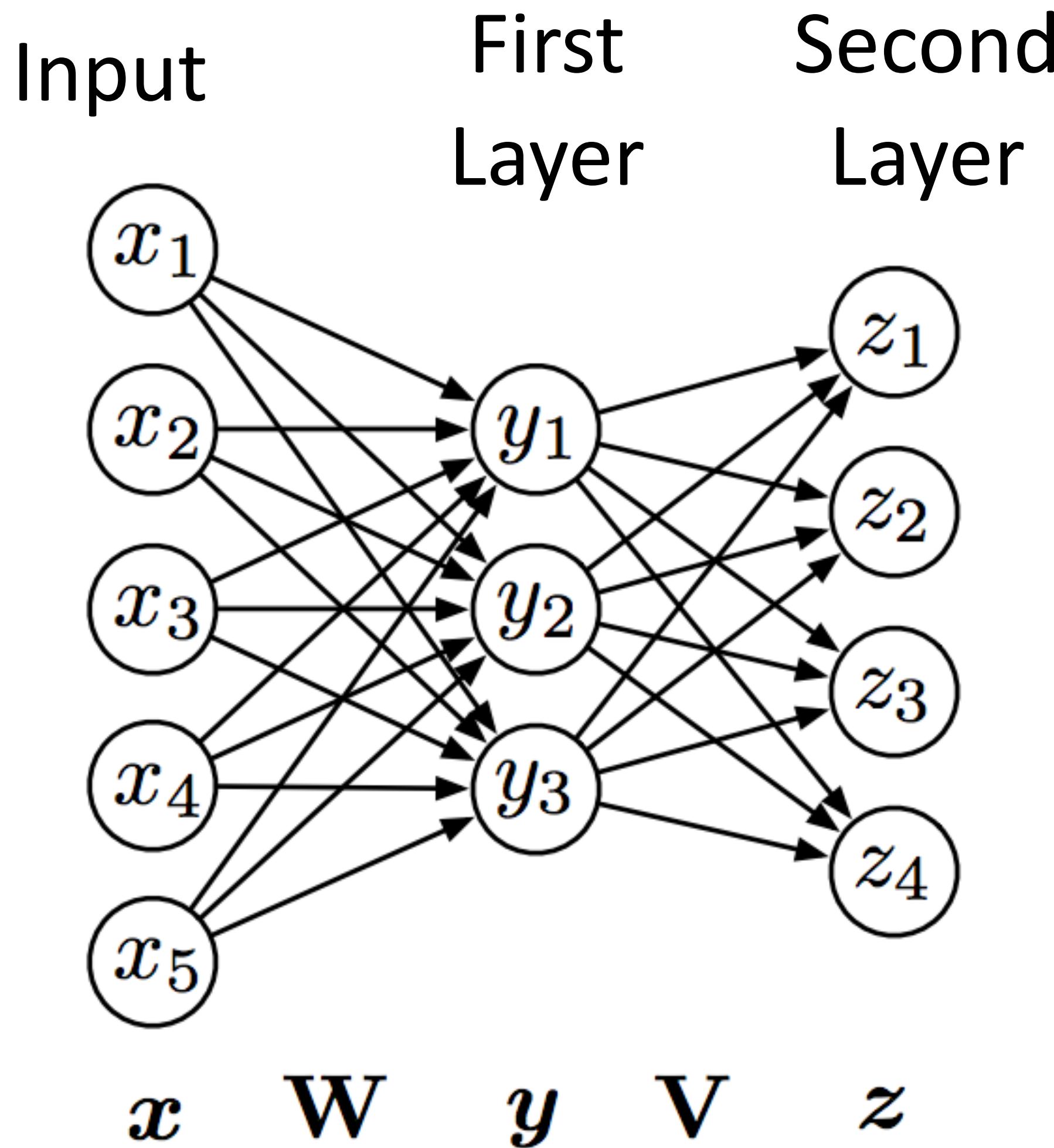
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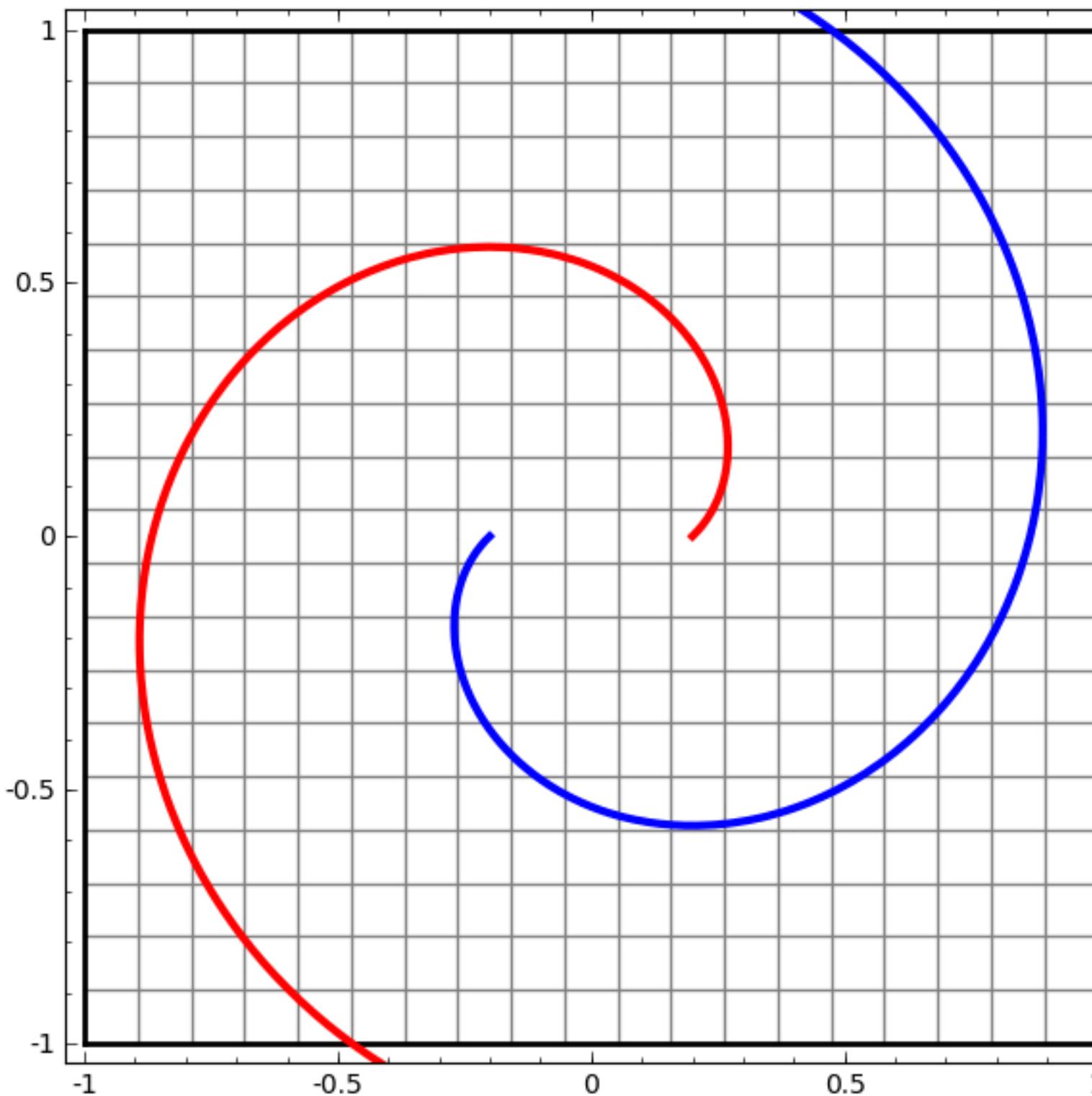
Check: what happens if no nonlinearity?  
More powerful than basic linear models?

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Adopted from Chris Dyer

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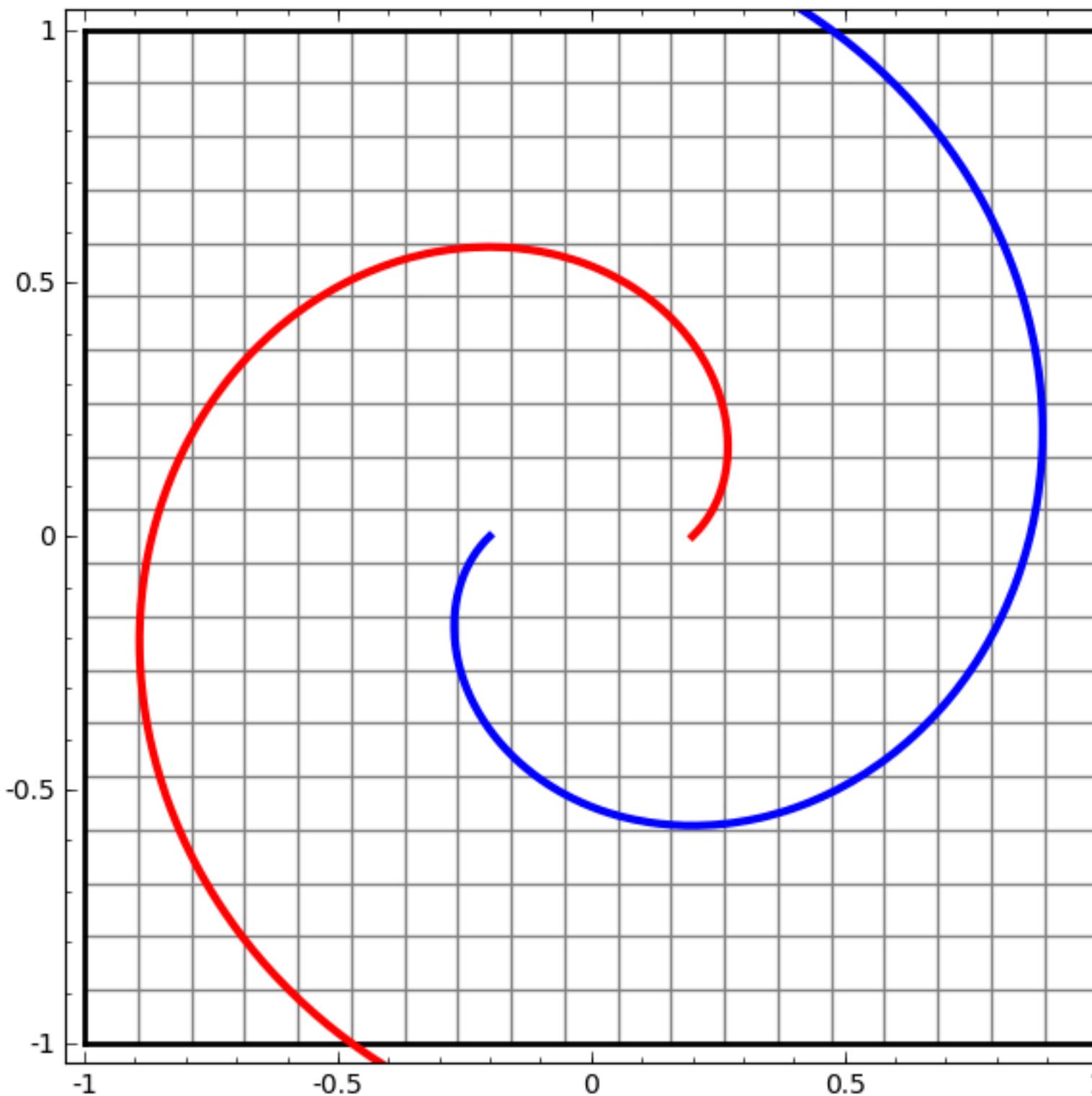
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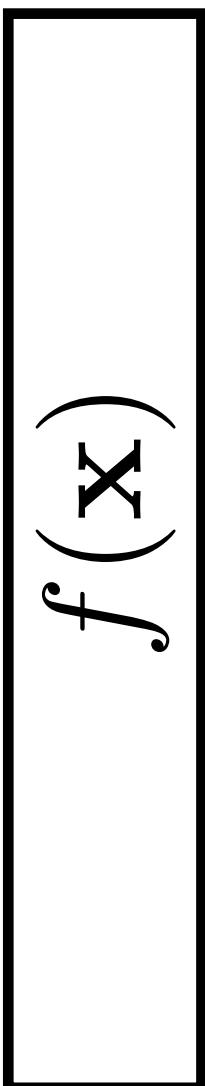
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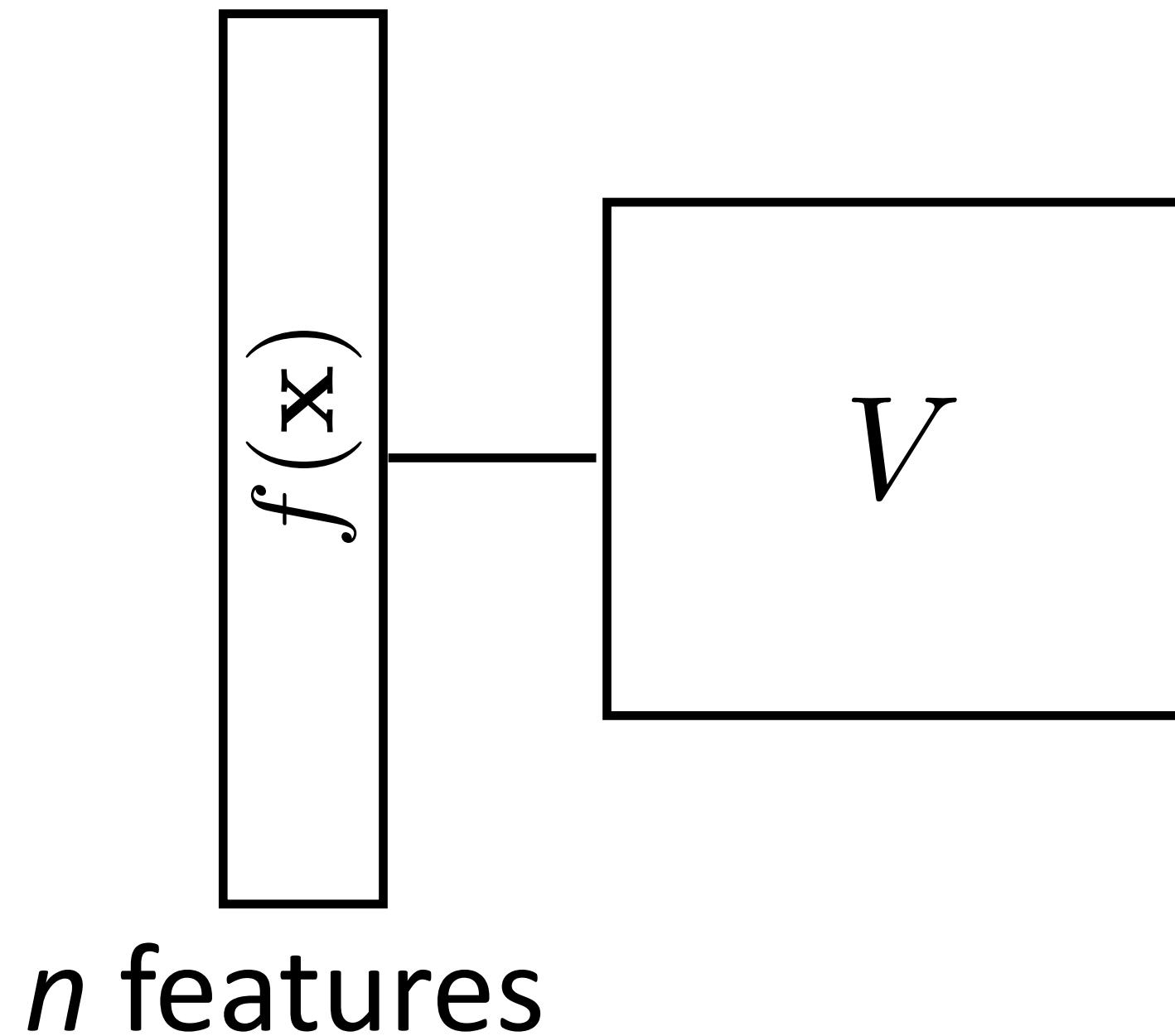


$n$  features

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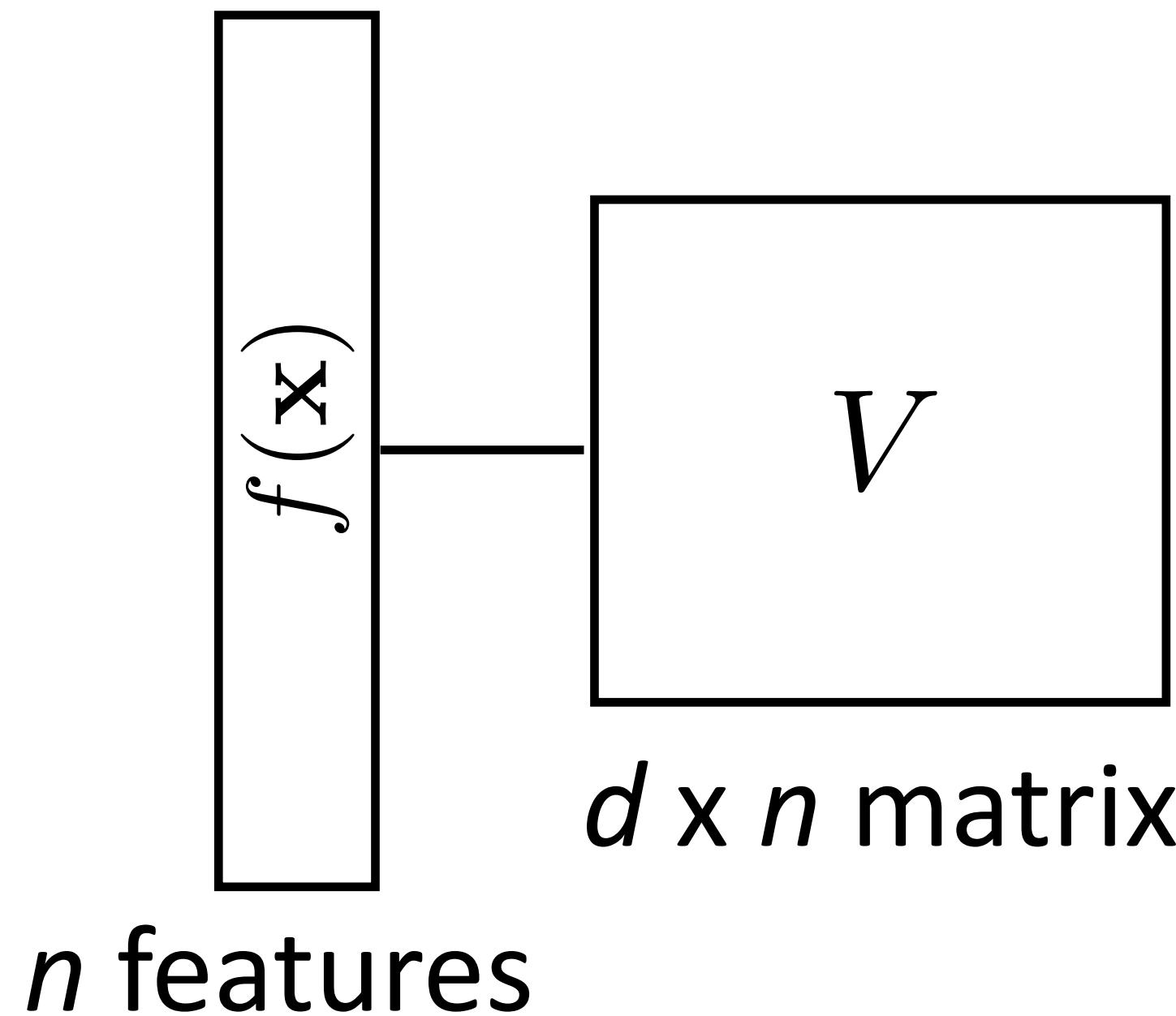
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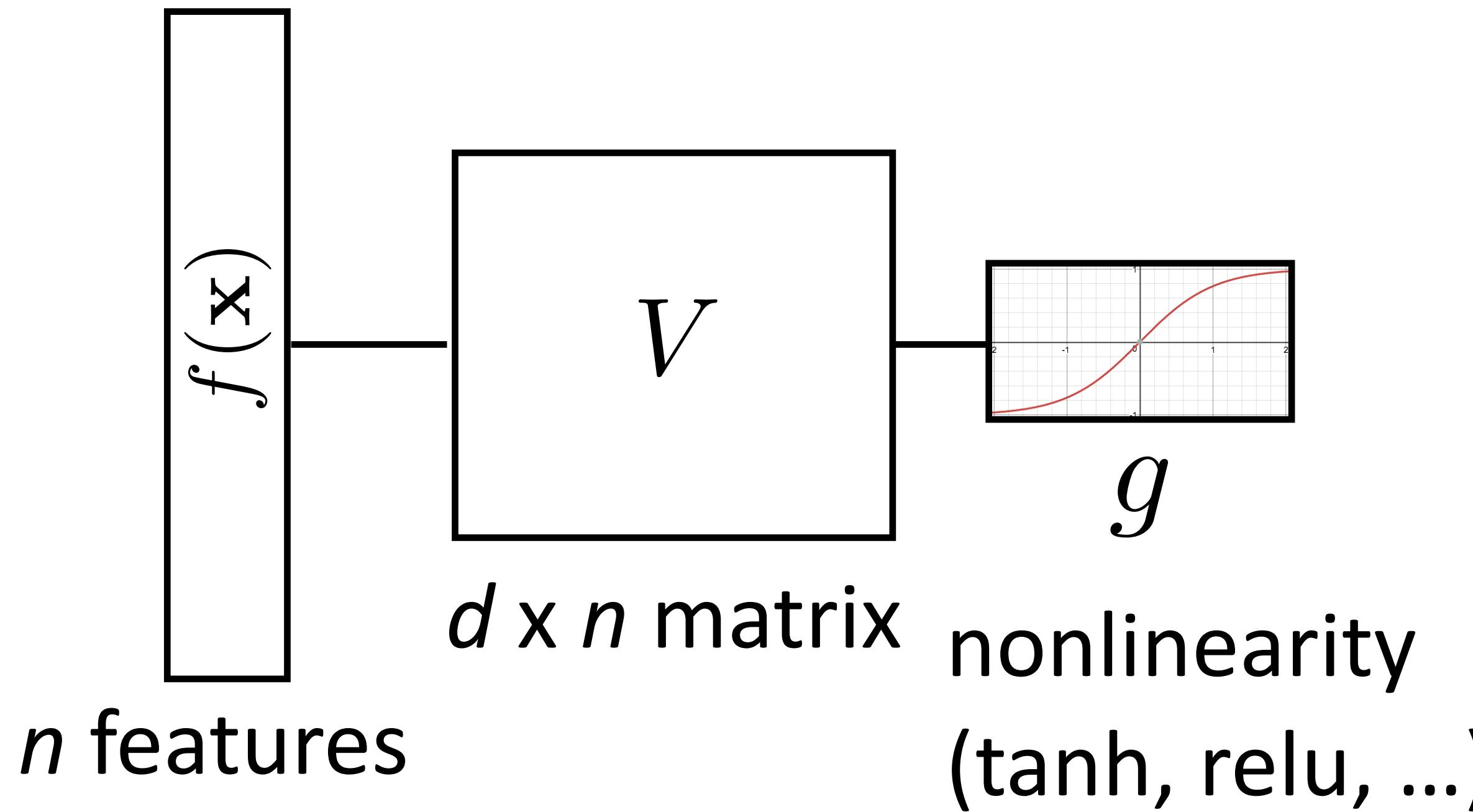
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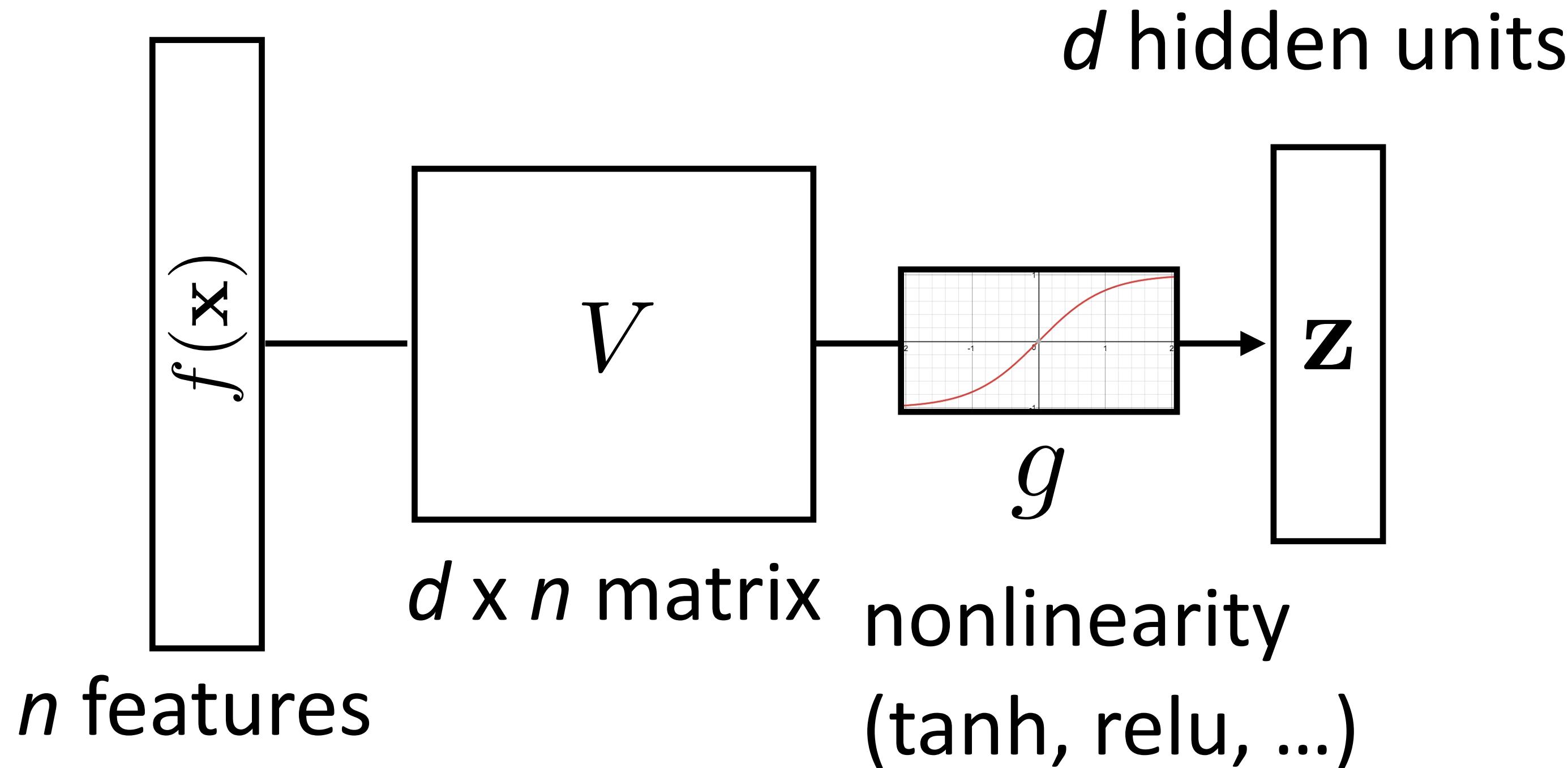
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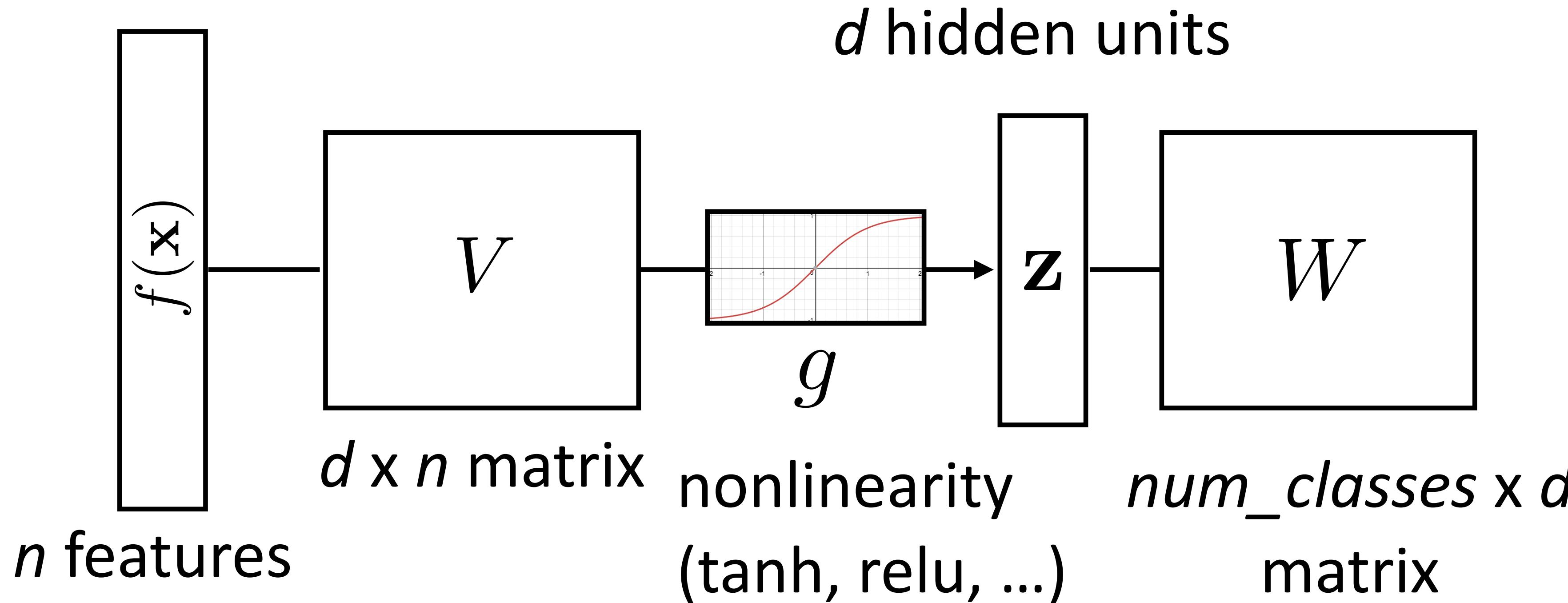
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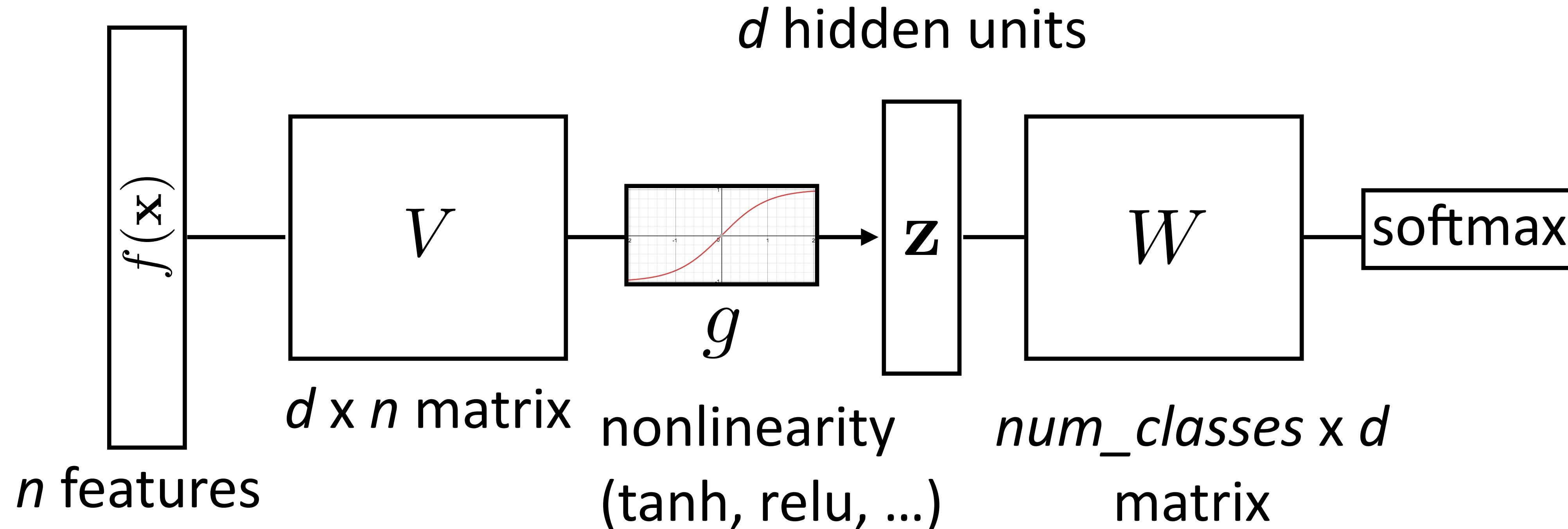
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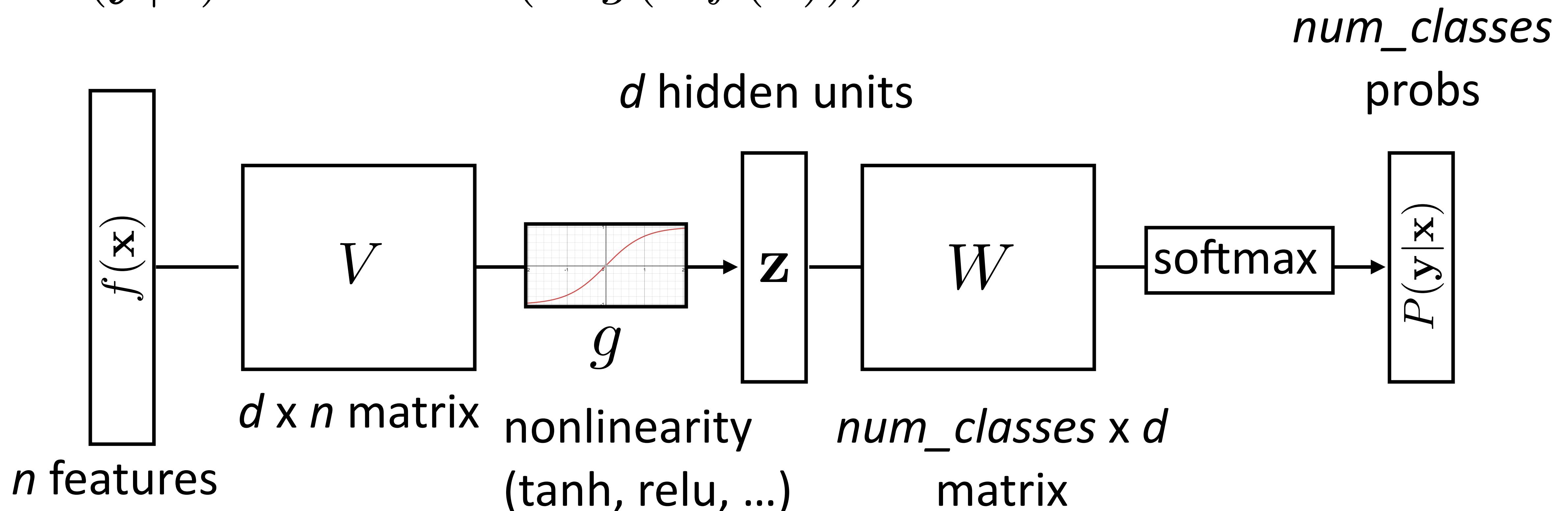
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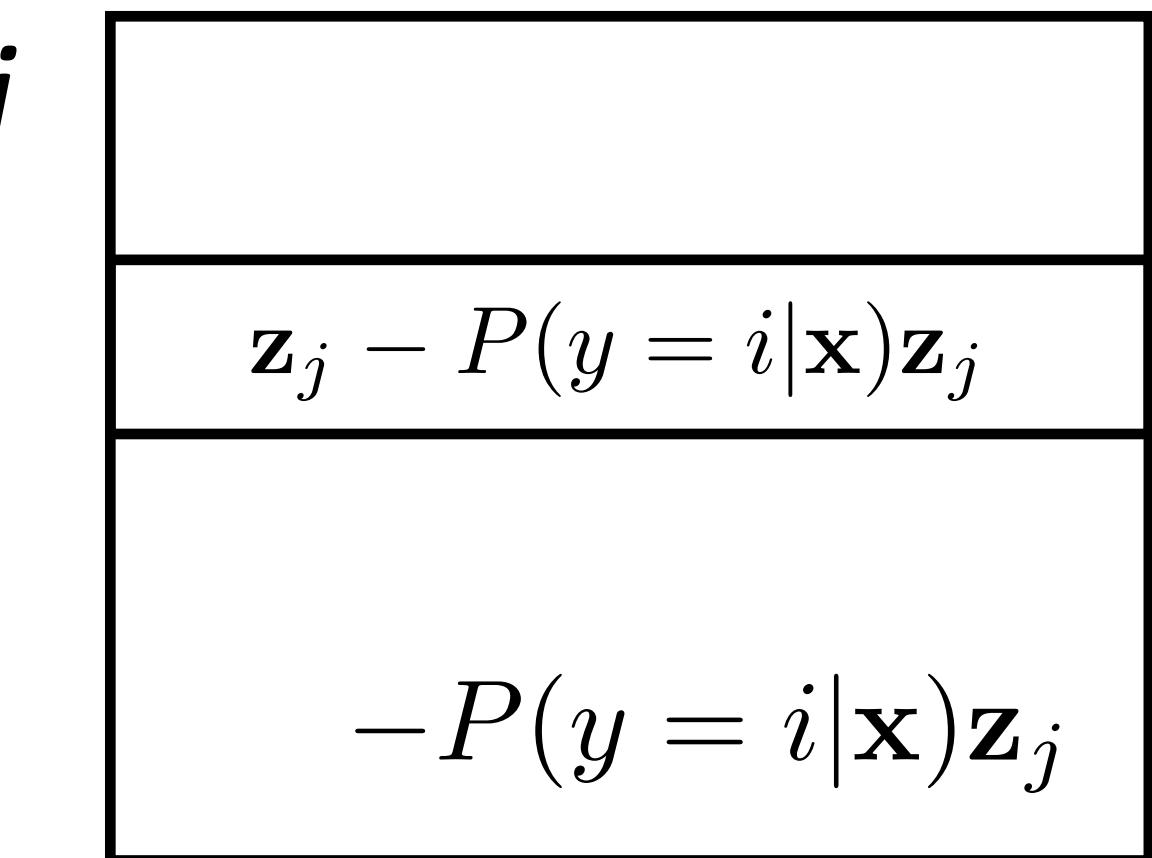
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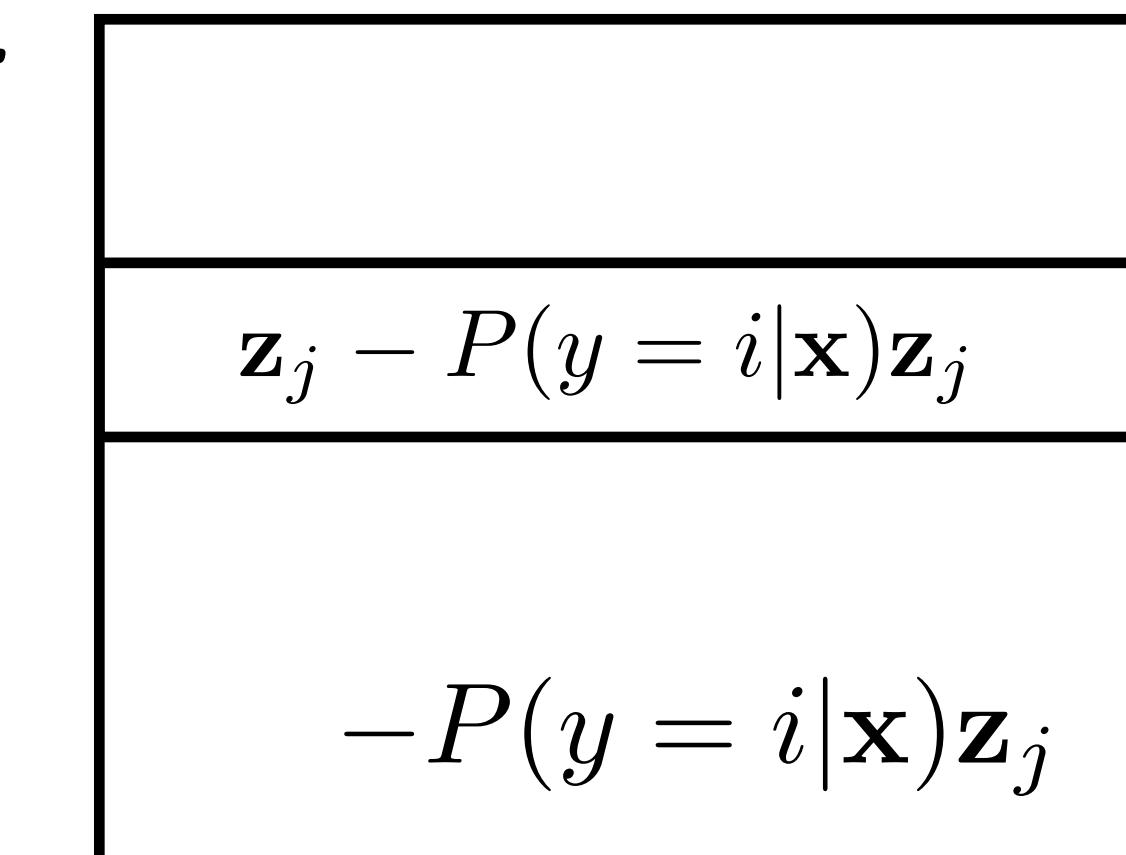
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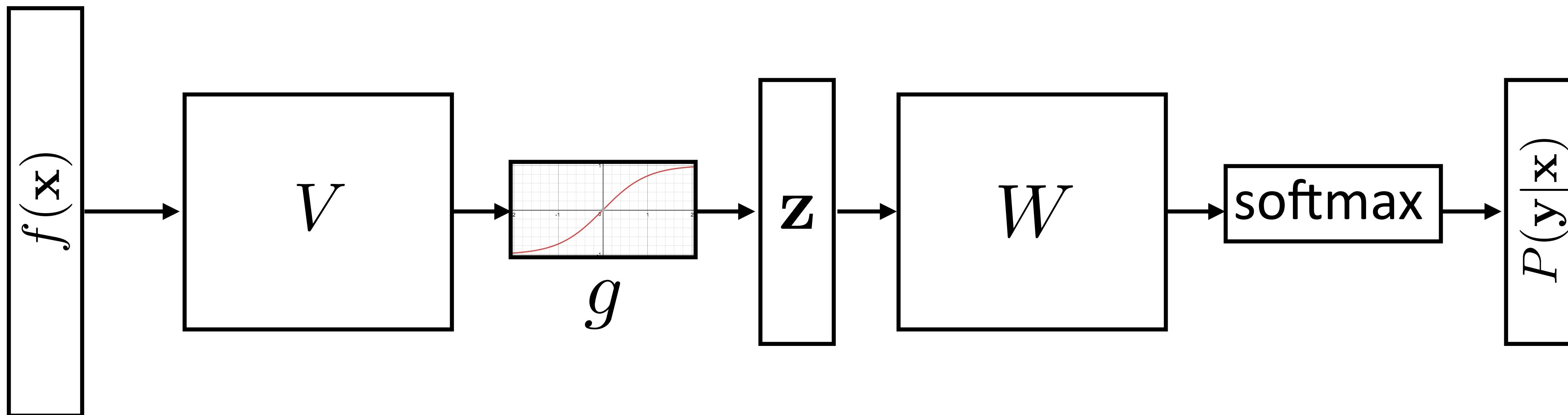


- Looks like logistic regression with  $\mathbf{z}$  as the features!

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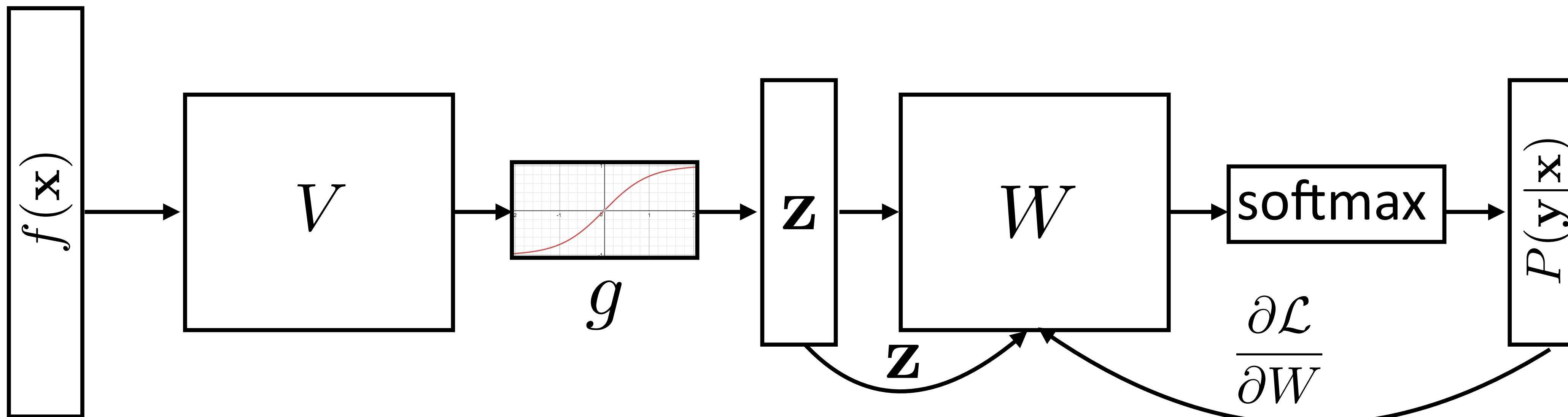
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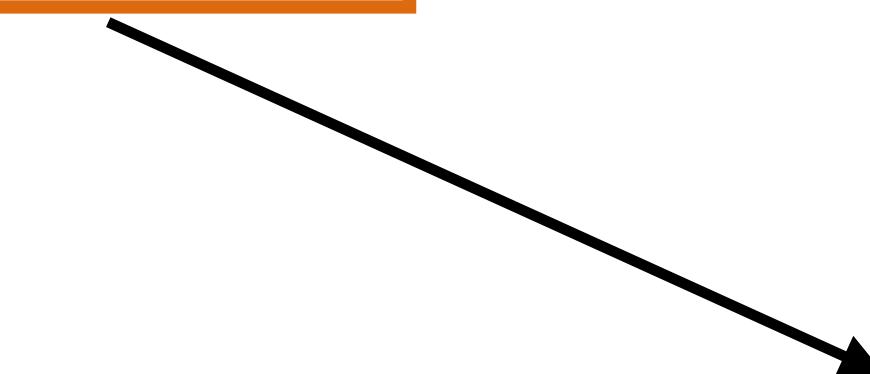
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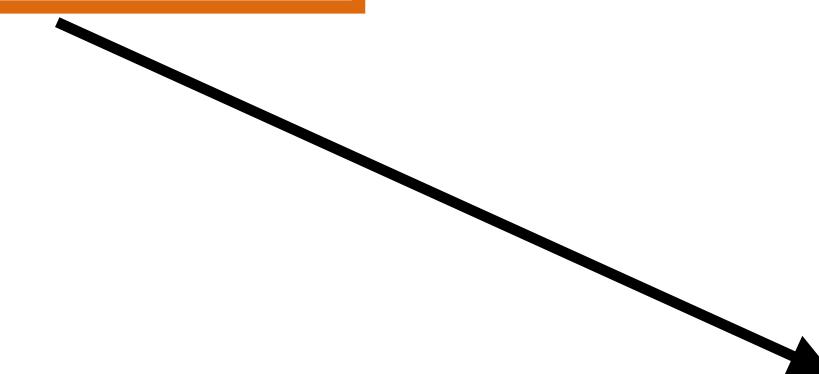
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[some math...]

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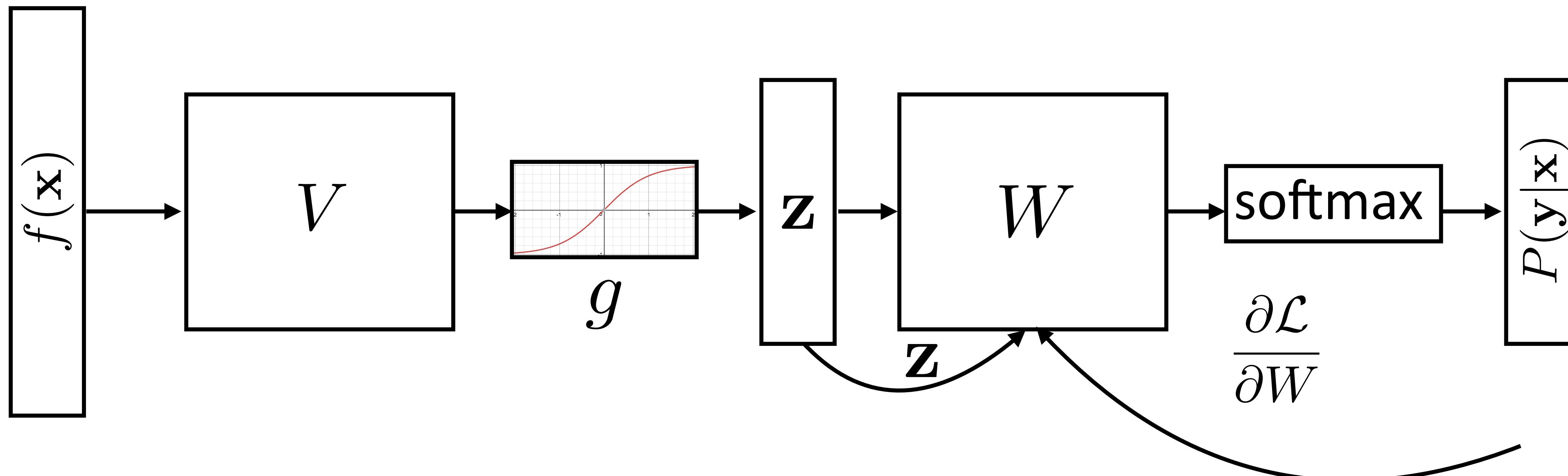
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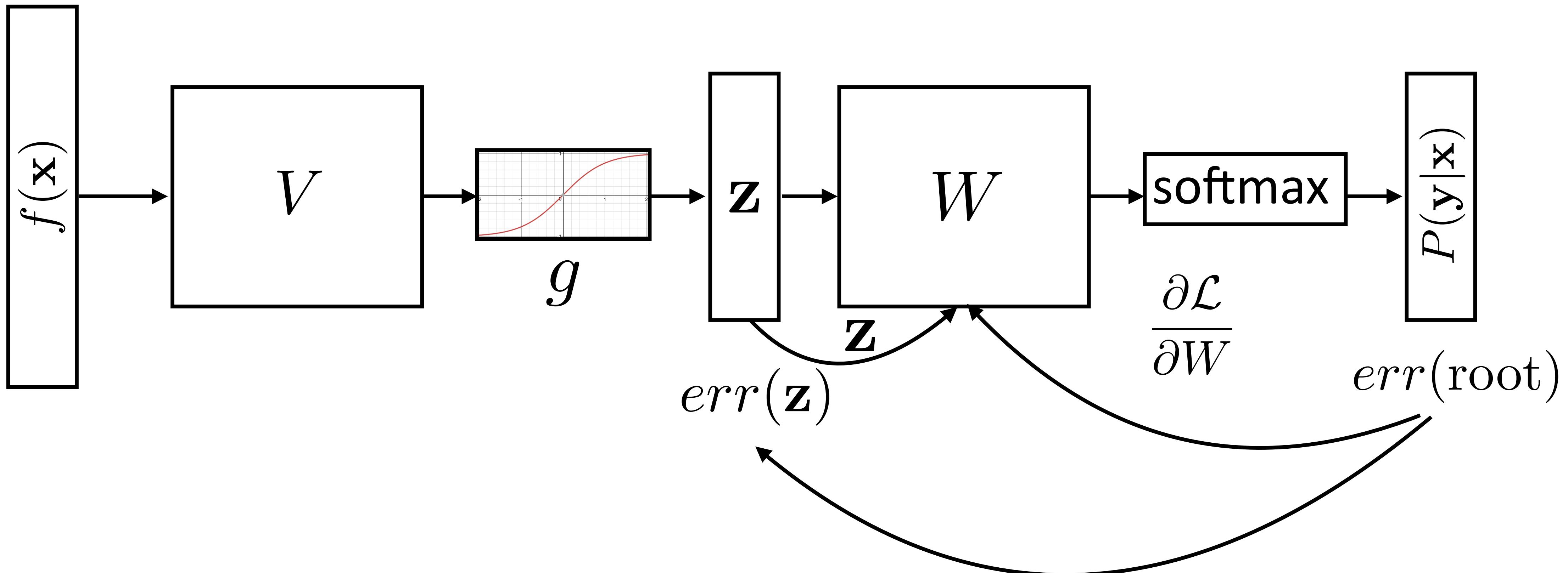
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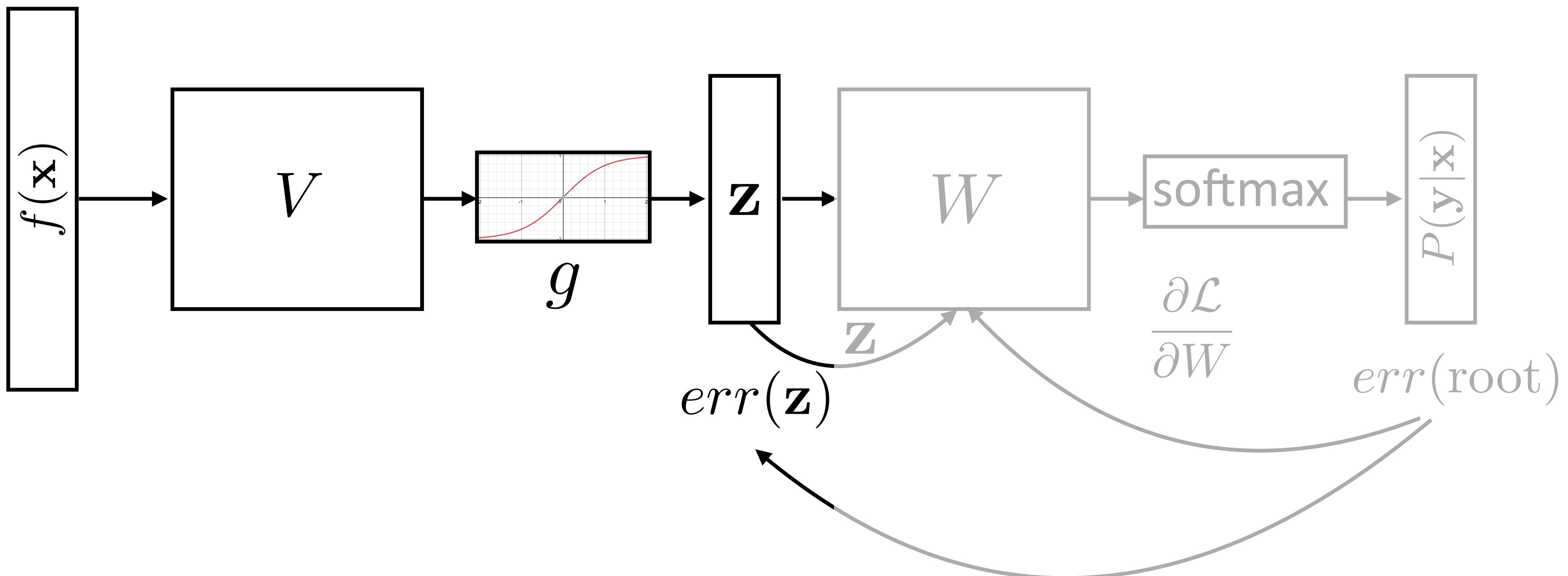
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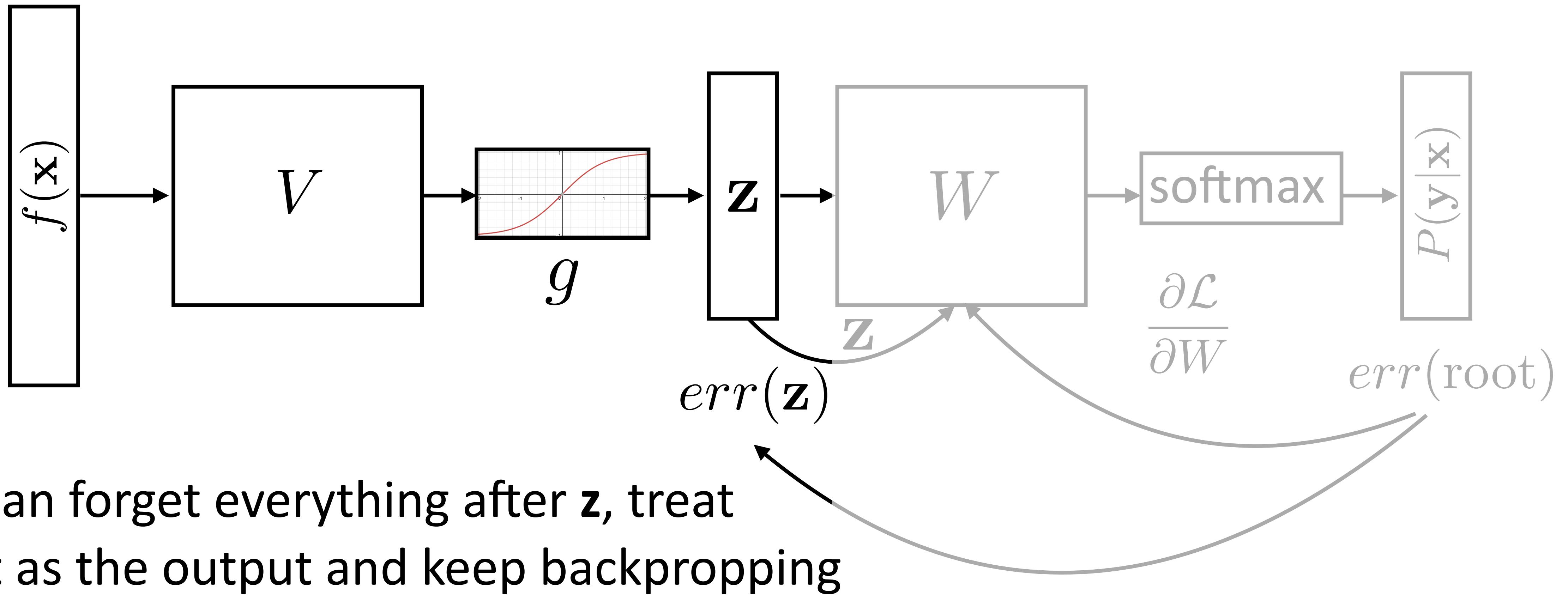
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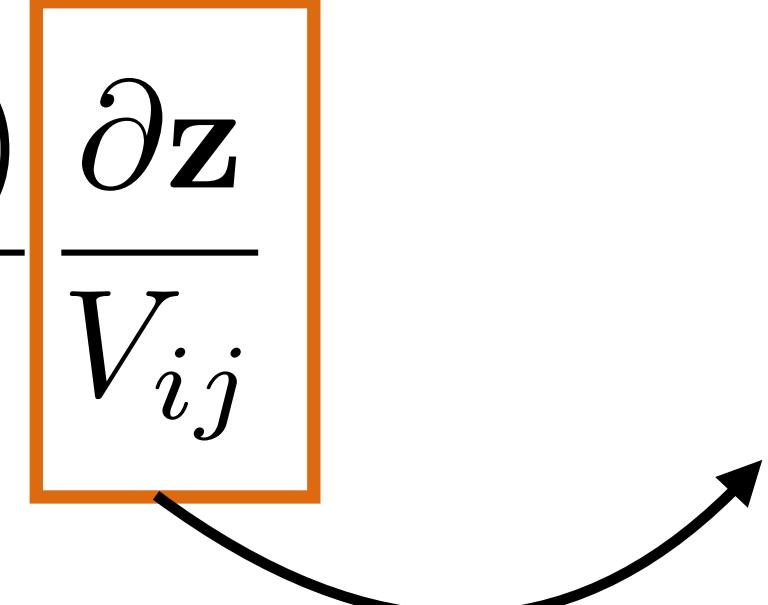
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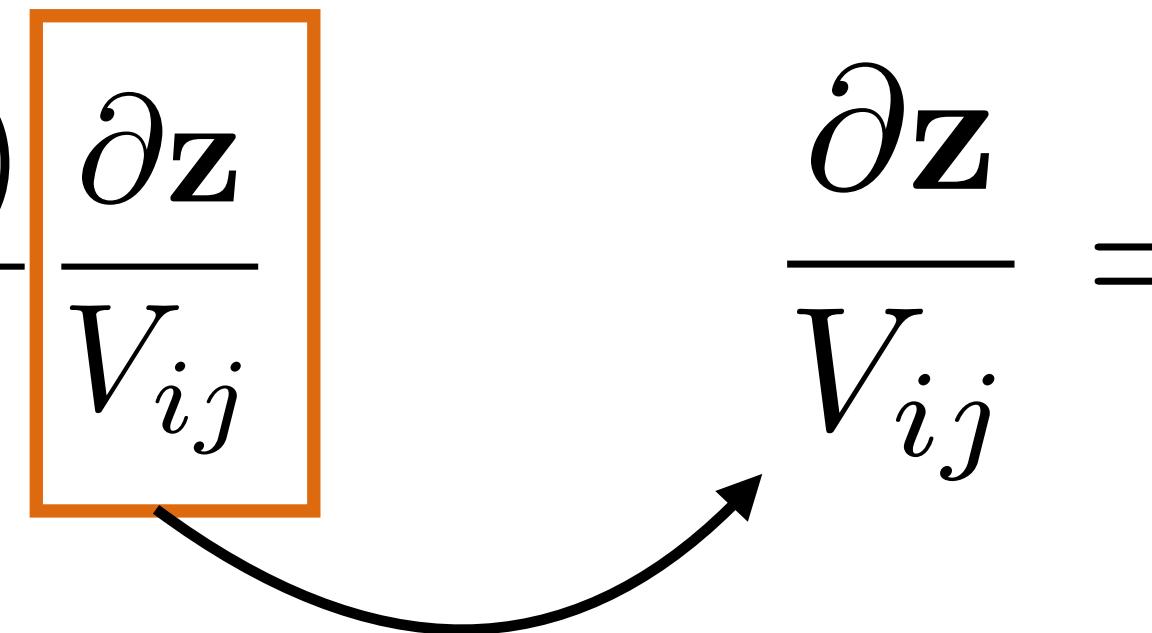
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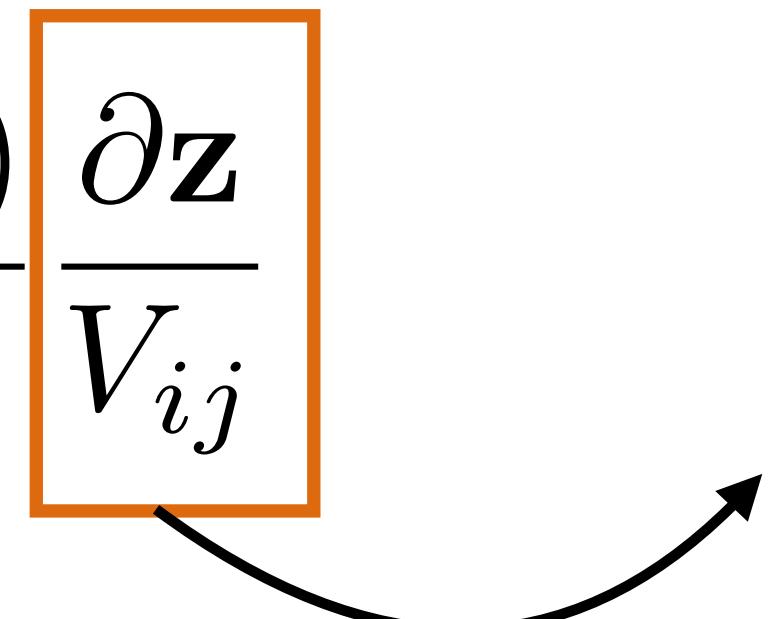
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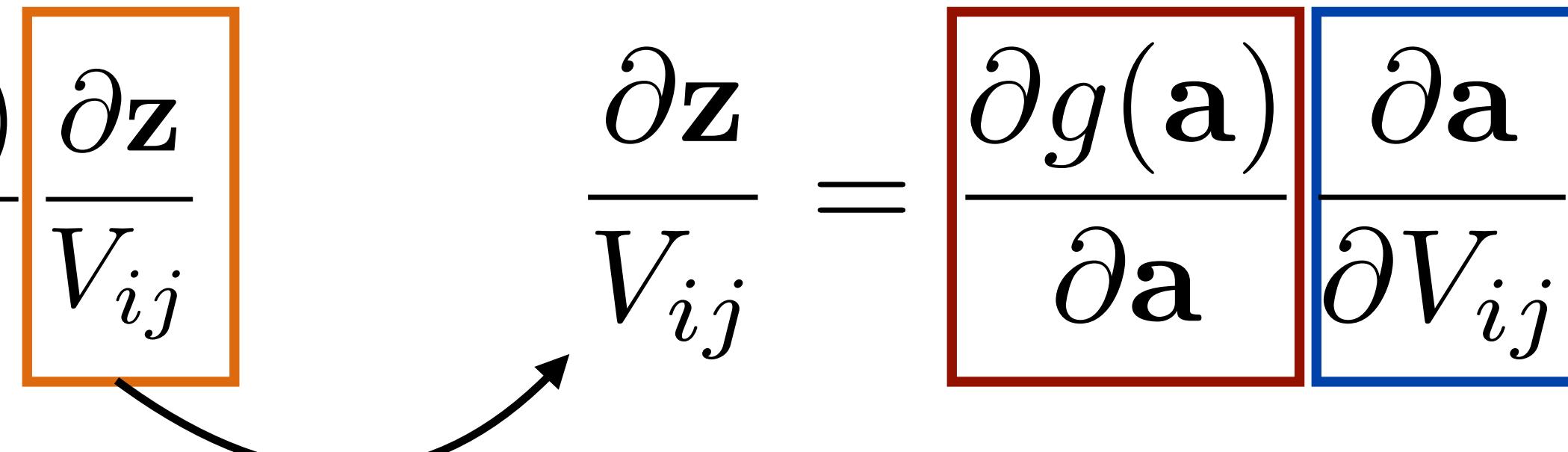
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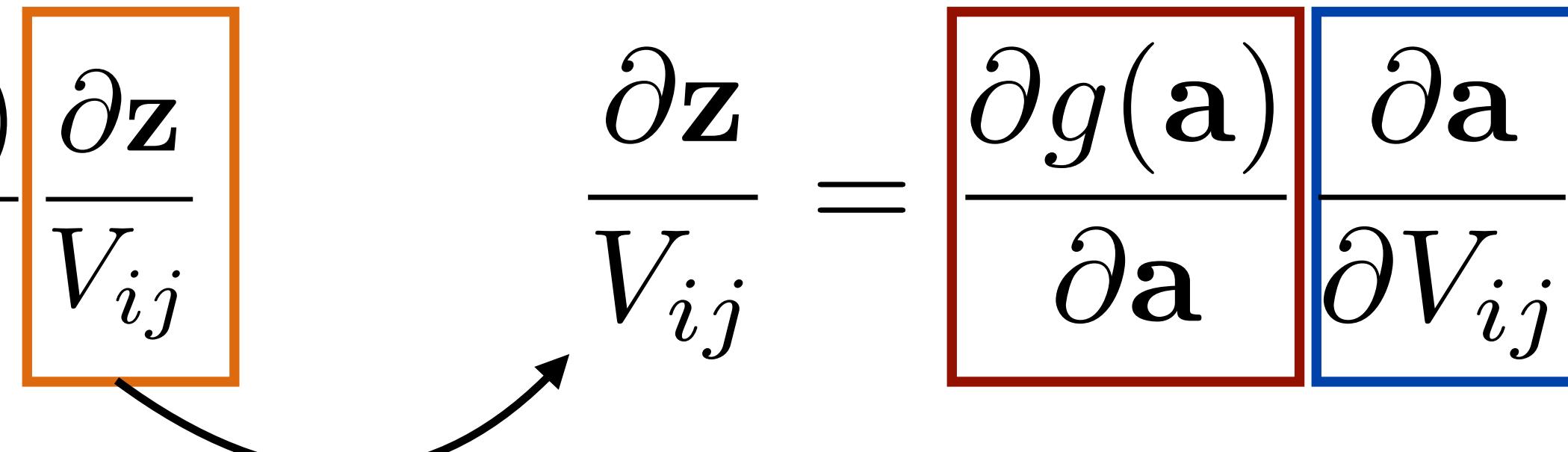
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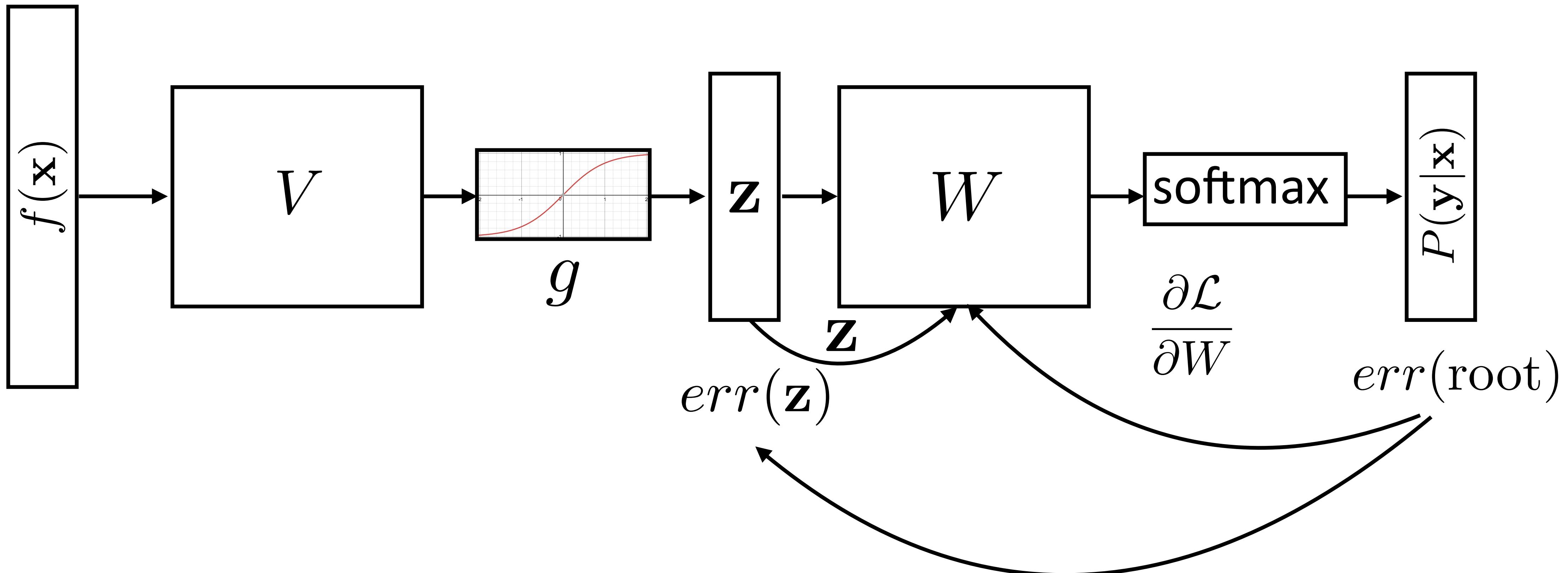


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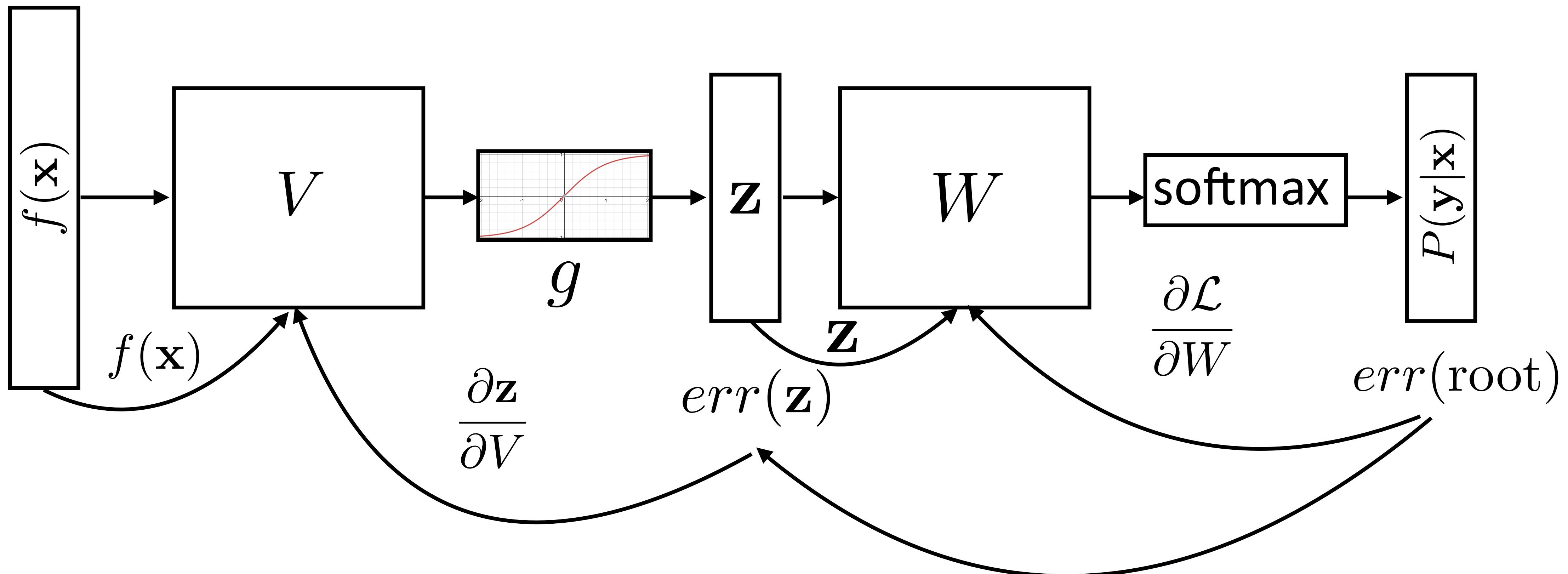
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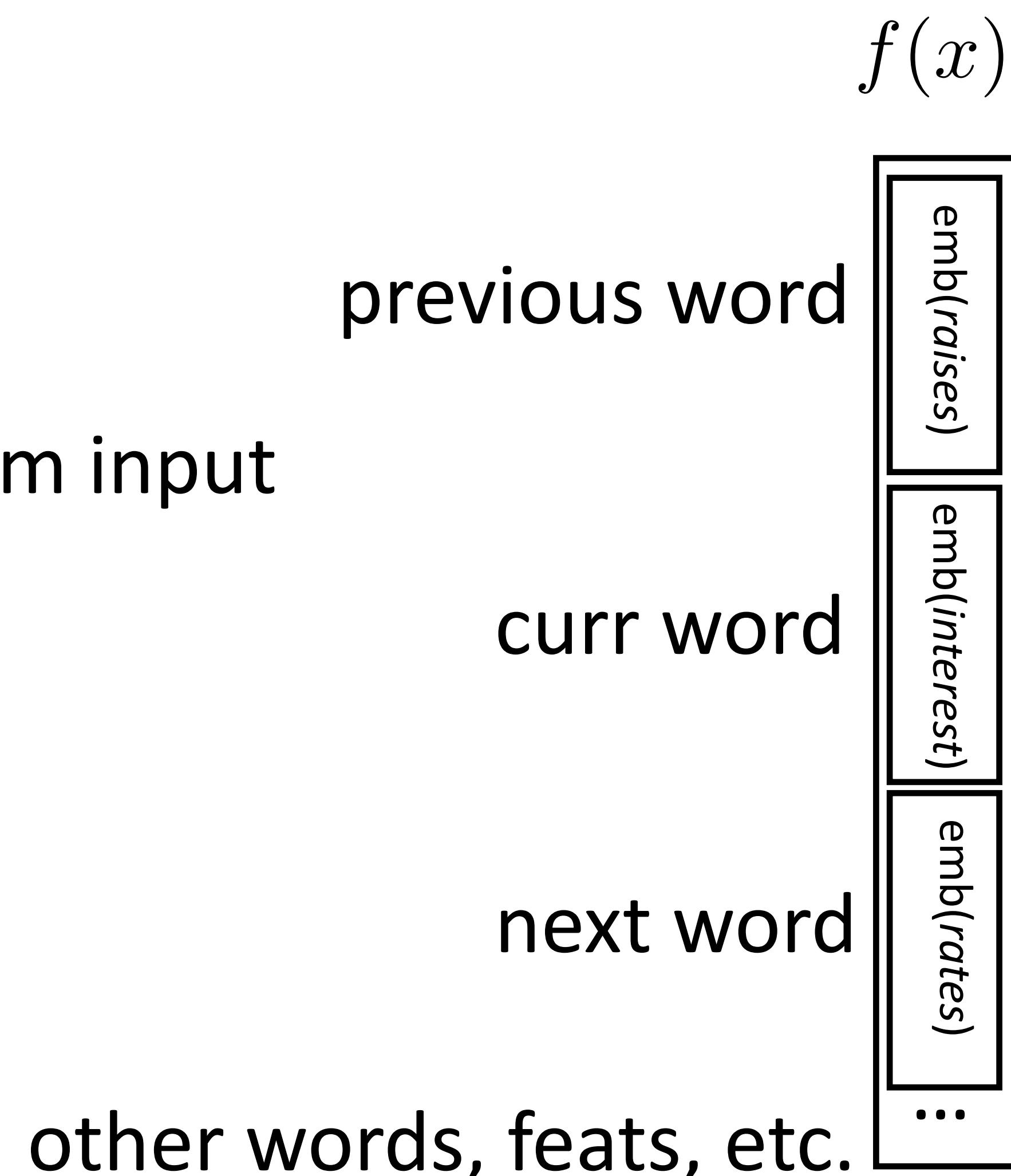
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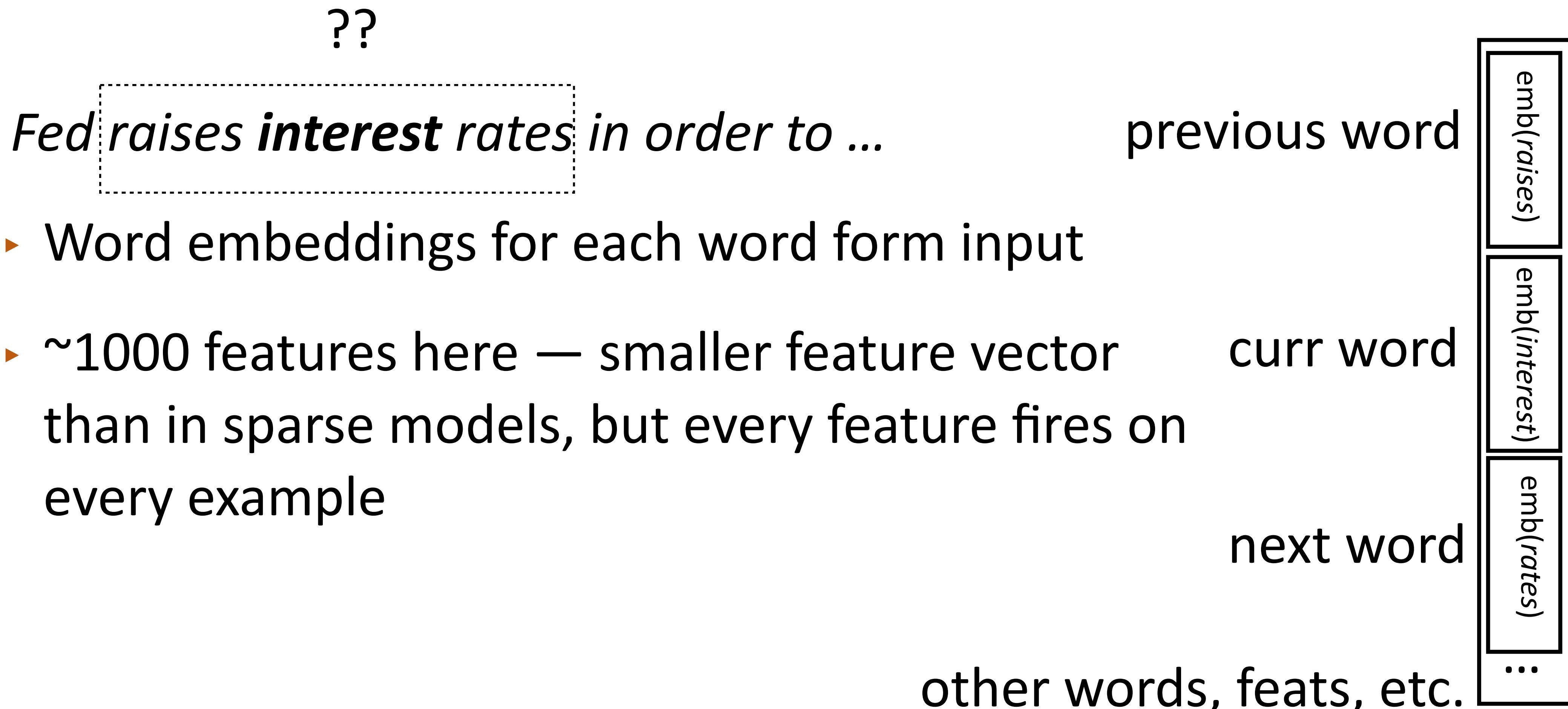
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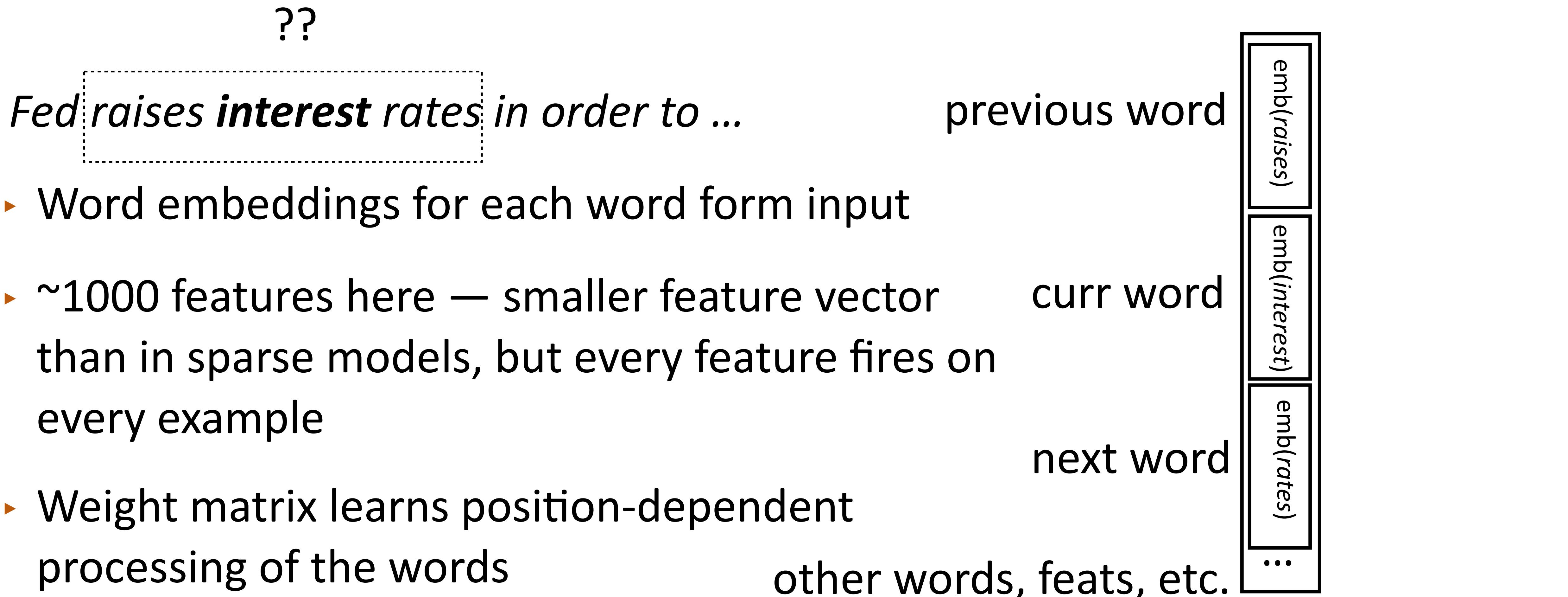


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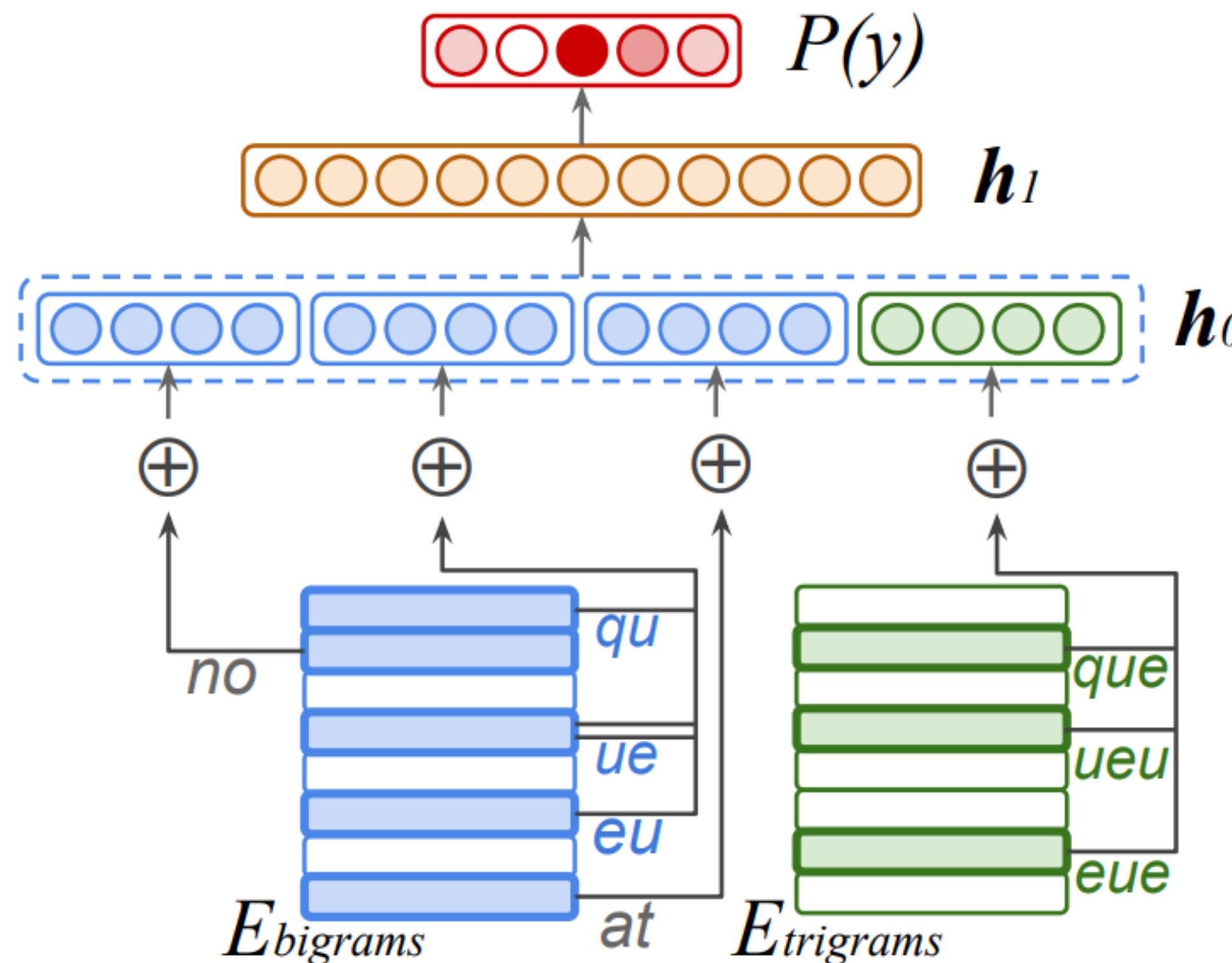


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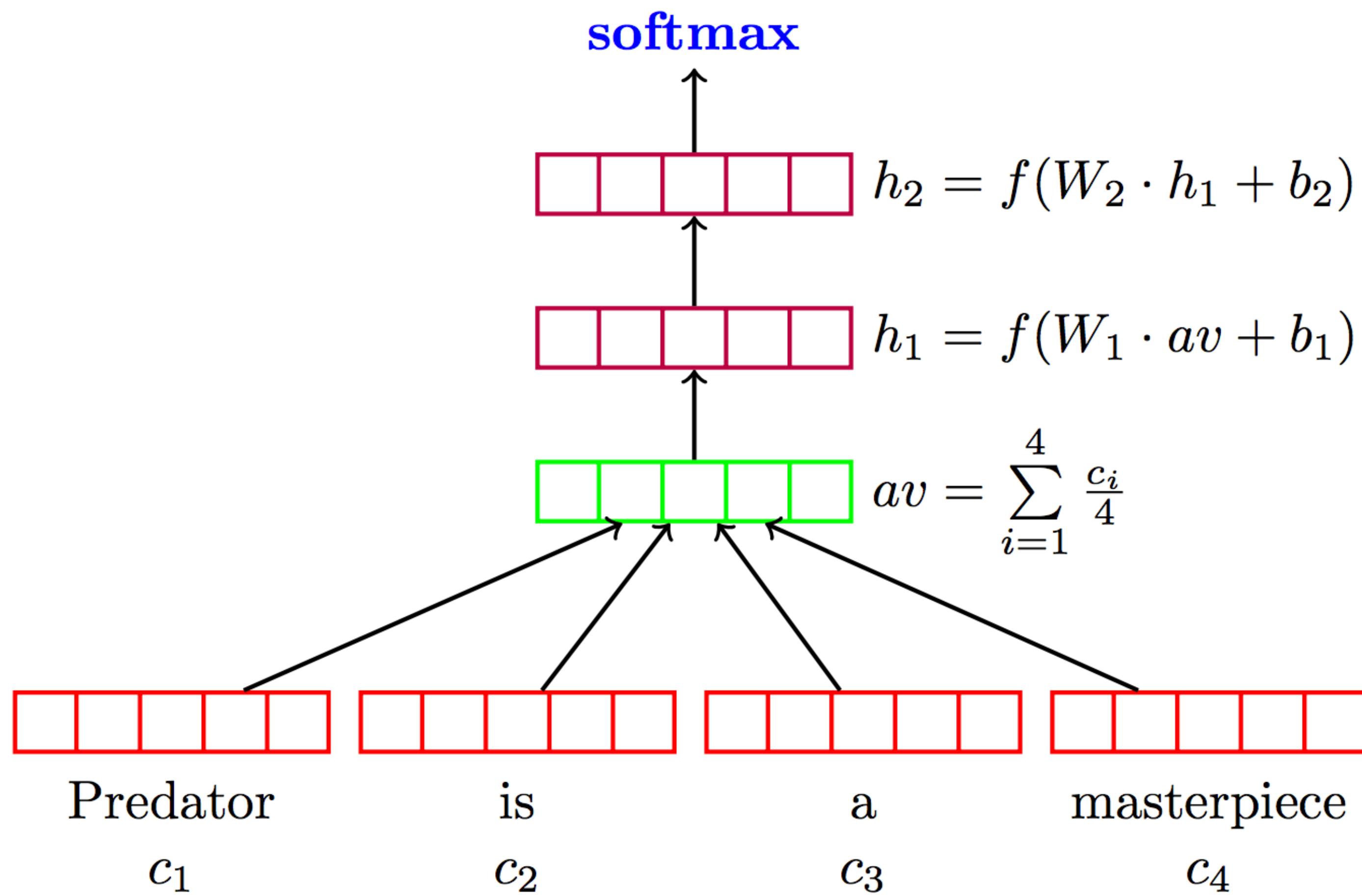
- ▶ Multilingual tagging results:

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- ▶ Gillick used LSTMs; this is smaller, faster, and better

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Iyyer et al. (2015)

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	Model	RT	SST fine	SST bin	IMDB	Time (s)	
DAN-ROOT	—	46.9	85.7	—	—	31	
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<b>DAN</b>	<b>80.3</b>	<b>47.7</b>	<b>86.3</b>	<b>89.4</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>136</b>	Iyyer et al. (2015)
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	RecNTN*	—	45.7	85.4	—	—	
	DRecNN	—	49.8	86.6	—	431	
	TreeLSTM	—	<b>50.6</b>	86.9	—	—	
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	PVEC*	—	48.7	87.8	<b>92.6</b>	—	
	<b>CNN-MC</b>	<b>81.1</b>	<b>47.4</b>	<b>88.1</b>	—	<b>2,452</b>	Kim (2014)
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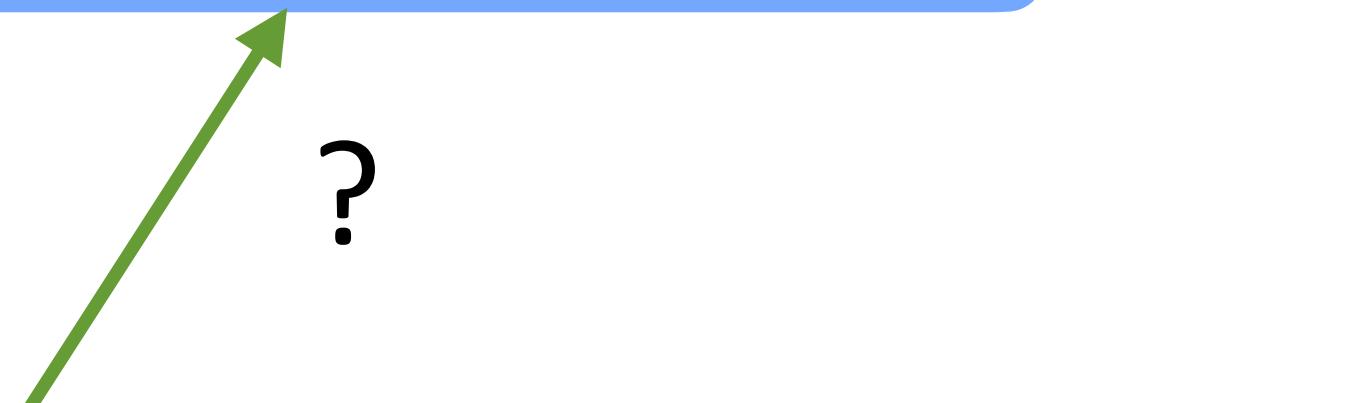
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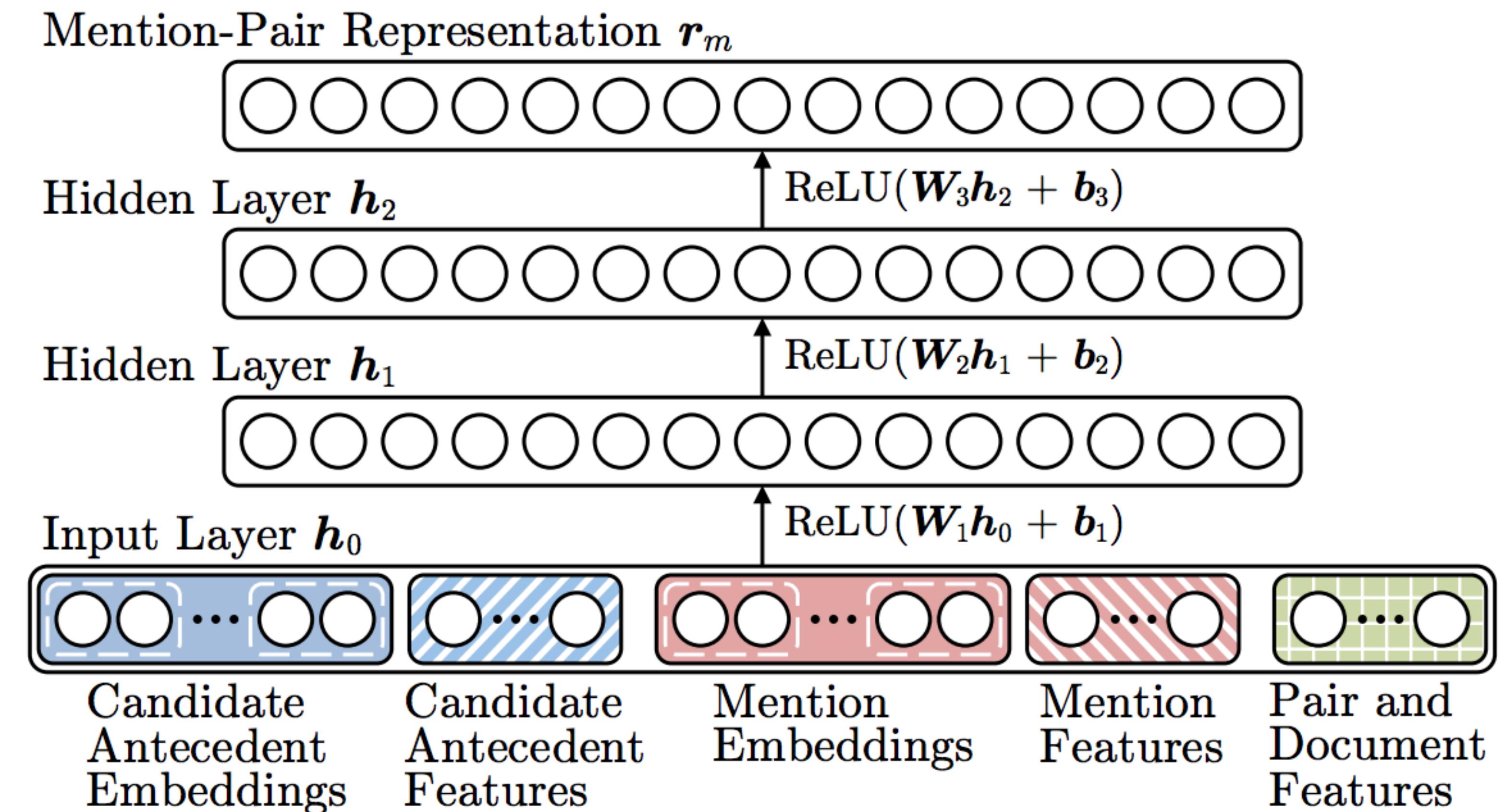
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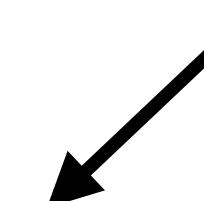
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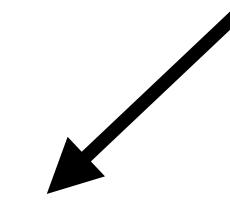
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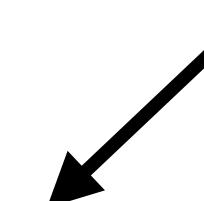
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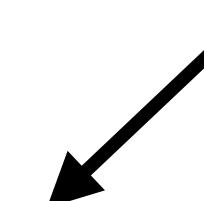


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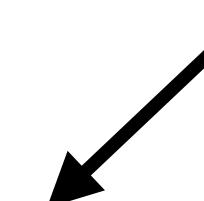
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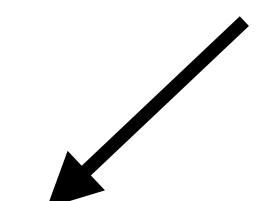
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