



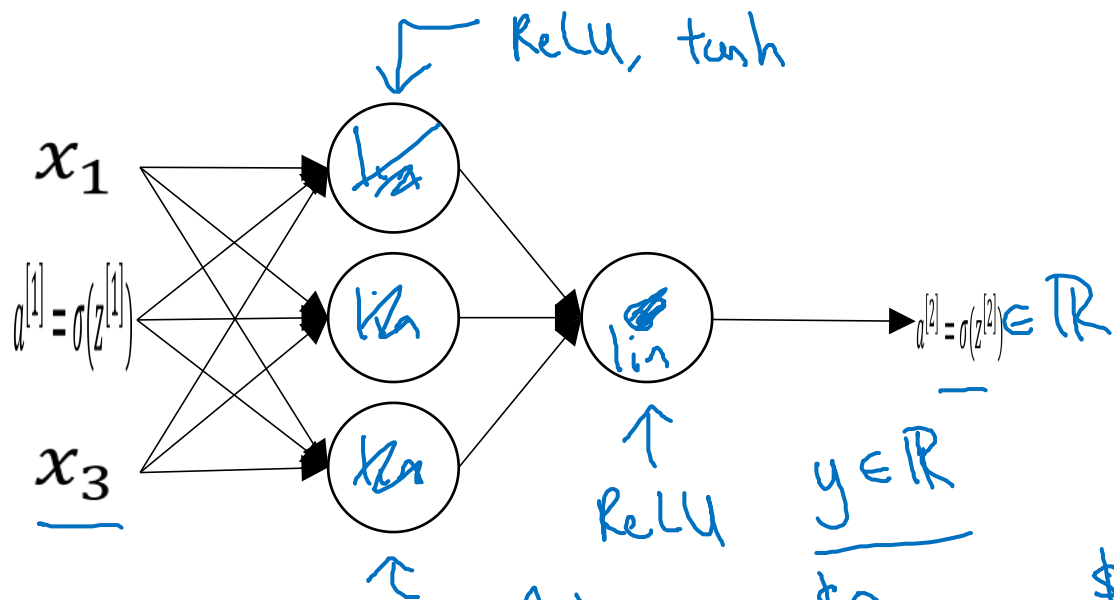
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# One hidden layer Neural Network

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Why do you  
need non-linear  
activation functions?

# Activation function



Given  $x$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow z^{[1]} &= W^{[1]}x + b^{[1]} \\ \rightarrow a^{[1]} &= \cancel{g^{[1]}(z^{[1]})} z^{[1]} \\ \rightarrow z^{[2]} &= W^{[2]}a^{[1]} + b^{[2]} \\ \rightarrow a^{[2]} &= \cancel{g^{[2]}(z^{[2]})} z^{[2]} \end{aligned}$$

$g(z) = z$   
"linear activation function"

$$a^{[1]} = z^{[1]} = W^{[1]}x + b^{[1]}$$

$$a^{[2]} = z^{[2]} = W^{[2]}a^{[1]} + b^{[2]}$$

$$a^{[2]} = W^{[2]} \left( W^{[1]}x + b^{[1]} \right) + b^{[2]}$$

$$= \underbrace{\left( W^{[2]} W^{[1]} \right)}_{w'} x + \underbrace{\left( W^{[2]} b^{[1]} + b^{[2]} \right)}_{b'}$$

$$= \underline{w'x + b'}$$

$$g(z) = z$$