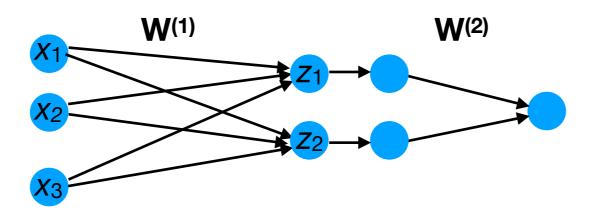
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Neural networks

- Neural networks can have multiple neurons per layer.
- Between each adjacent pair of layers (input-hidden and hidden-output), there is a matrix of (synaptic) weights:

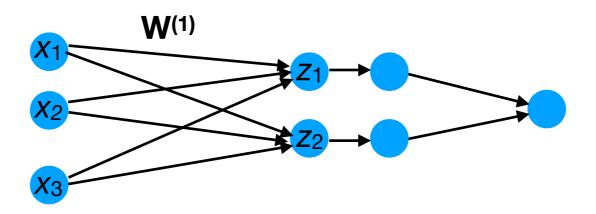


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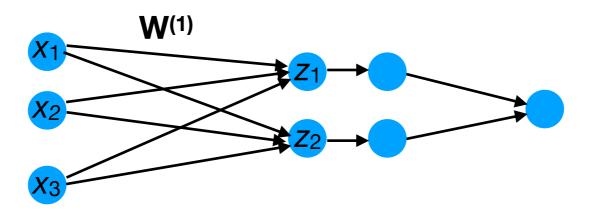


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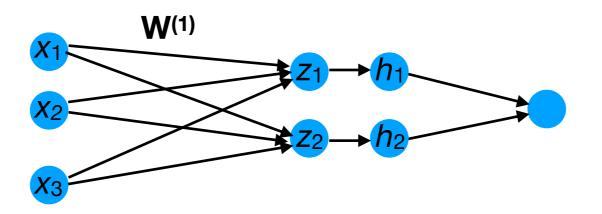


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• We can then pass z to the activation function σ and compute the hidden neuron values **element-wise**, i.e.:

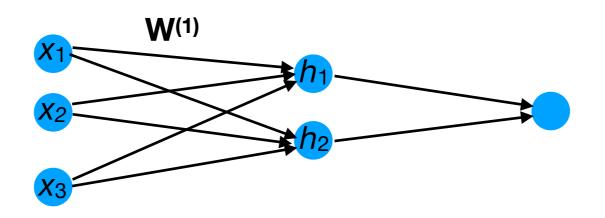
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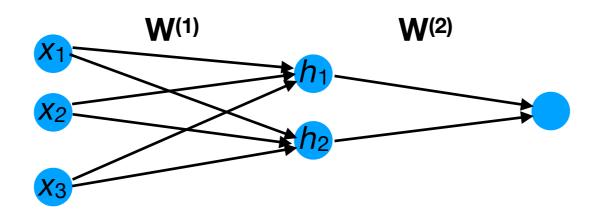
 We typically do not shown the z layer explicitly; it is subsumed into the h layer to avoid clutter.



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Next, we pass h to the next layer...

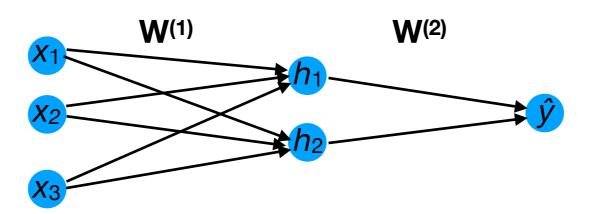


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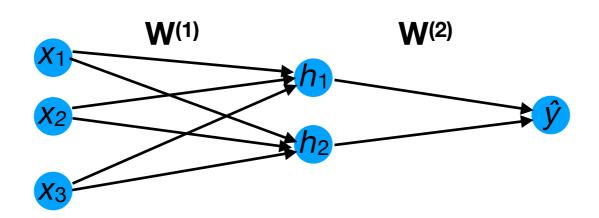


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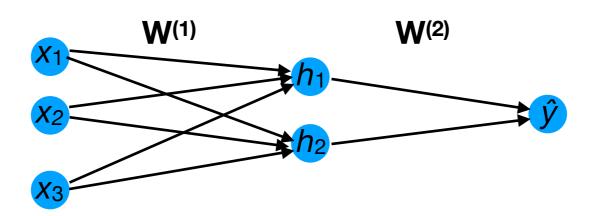


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 Note that the final layer could also have an activation function (if we wanted one), e.g.:

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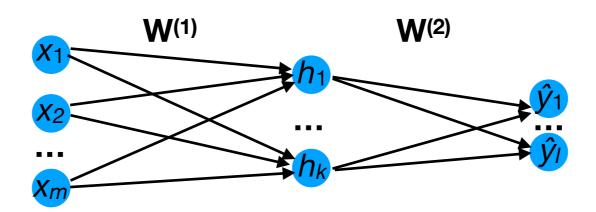


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Multiple output neurons

We can also have a NN with multiple output neurons, e.g.:



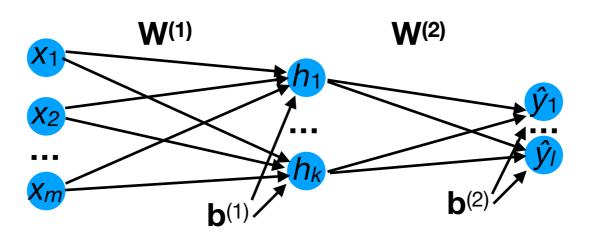
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Bias terms

 We typically include a bias term for every neuron, so that the layers' values are computed as:

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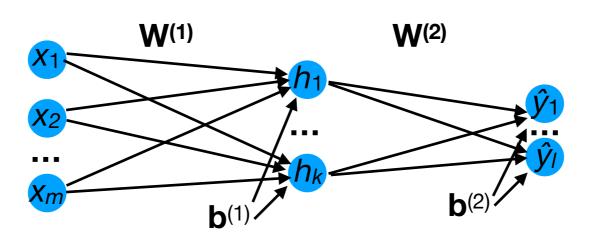


Input layer

Hidden layer Output layer

Exercise: bias terms

• What will $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ be for $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ $\mathbf{b}^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $\hat{y} = g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{W}^{(2)} \sigma \left(\mathbf{W}^{(1)} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^{(1)} \right) + \mathbf{b}^{(2)}$ $\mathbf{W}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\mathbf{b}^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

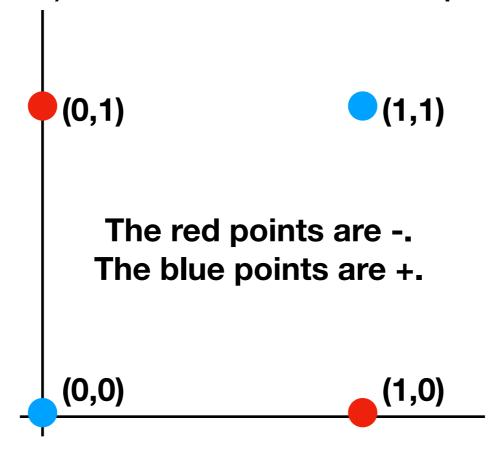


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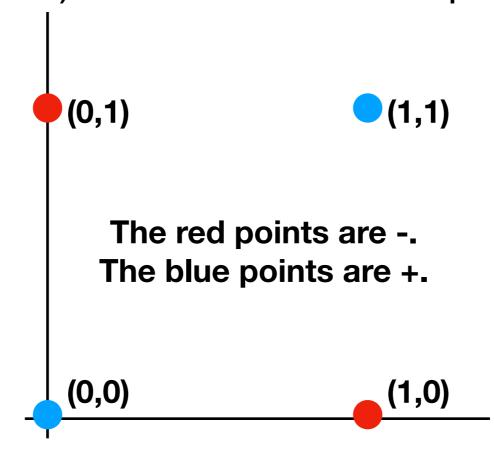
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Neural networks for non-linear classification

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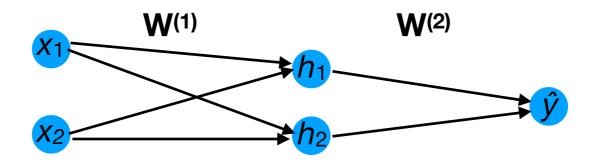
Let's see how using a hidden layer can help us solve it...

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 - g(0,0) = 0

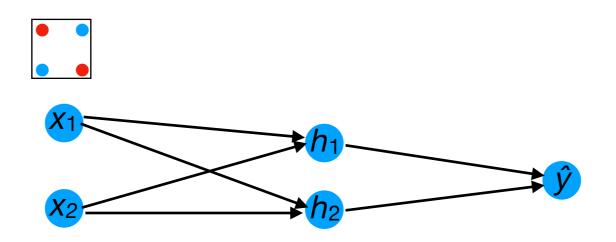
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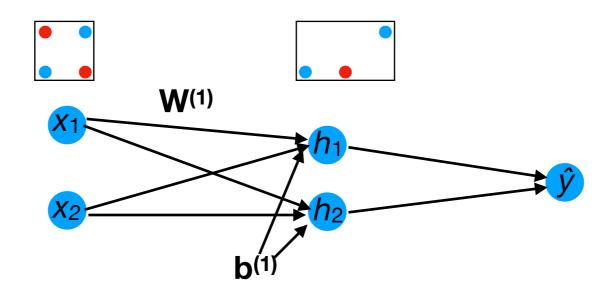
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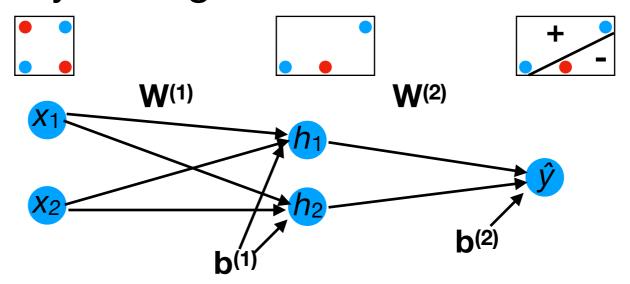
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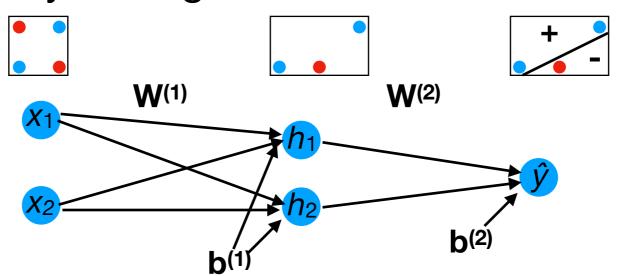
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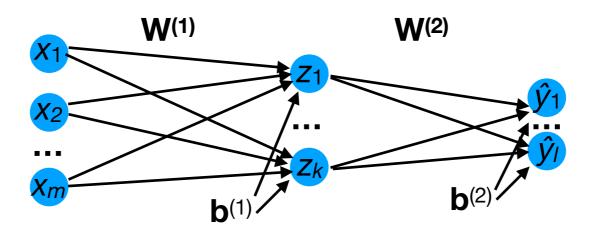


What values for W⁽¹⁾, b⁽¹⁾ will make the 4 data points linearly separable? (Hint: set b = $[-1 -1]^T$; W contains only 1s and 2s.)

- Note that the ability of the 3-layer NN to solve the XOR problem relies crucially on the non-linear ReLU activation function.
 - Note that other non-linear functions would also work.
- Without non-linearity, a multi-layer NN is no more powerful than a 2-layer network!

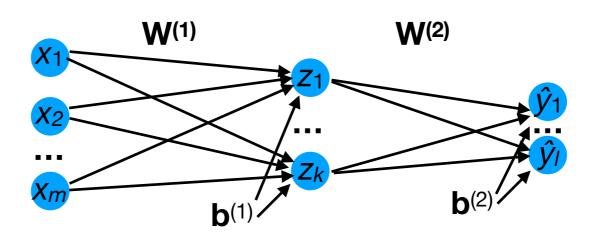
Suppose we define a 3-layer NN without non-linearity:

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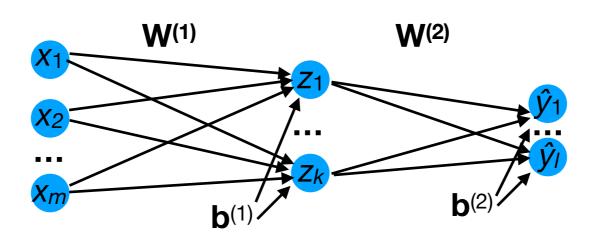
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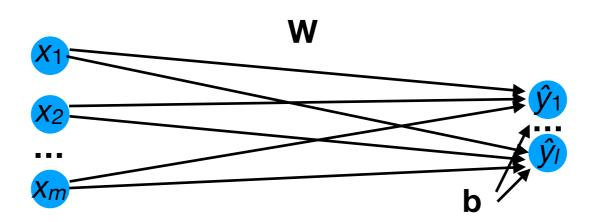
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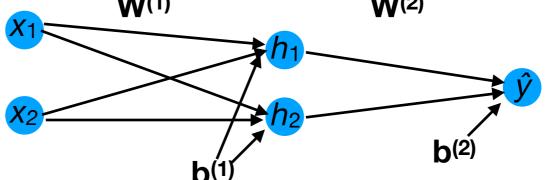
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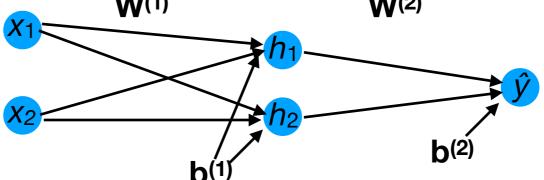
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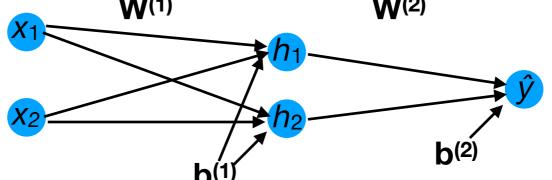
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 We then calculate the derivative of f_{MSE} w.r.t. each parameter p using the chain rule as:

$$\frac{\partial f_{\text{MSE}}}{\partial p} = \frac{\partial f_{\text{MSE}}}{\partial \hat{y}} \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial p}$$

where:

$$\frac{\partial f_{\text{MSE}}}{\partial \hat{y}} = (\hat{y} - y)$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \left[w_5 \sigma(w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + b_1) + w_6 \sigma(w_3 x_1 + w_4 x_2 + b_2) + b_3 \right]$$

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This is the only term that depends on w_1 . It has the form: $c^*\sigma(z)$ where z is a function of w_1 . Recall that:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_1} \left[c\sigma(z) \right] = c \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial z}(z) \frac{\partial z}{\partial w_1}$$
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where:

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Hence:

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• Find:

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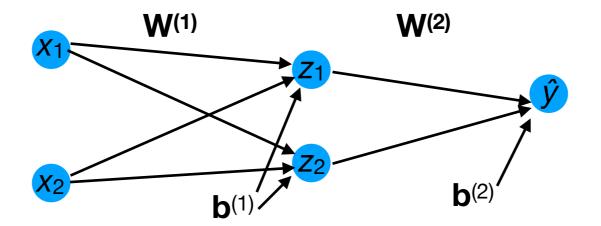
We need to derive all the other partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_1}, \dots \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_6}, \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial b_1}, \dots \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_3}$$

Based on these, we can compute the gradient terms:

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- Given the gradients, we can conduct gradient descent:
 - For each epoch:
 - For each minibatch:
 - Compute all 9 partial derivatives (summed over all examples in the minibatch):
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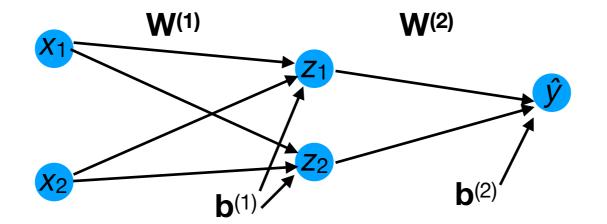
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Gradient descent: (any 3-layer NN)

 It is more compact and efficient to represent and compute these gradients more abstractly:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \nabla_{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}} f_{\mathrm{MSE}} & \text{where} \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{W}^{(2)}} f_{\mathrm{MSE}} & \nabla_{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}} f_{\mathrm{MSE}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_{\mathrm{MSE}}}{\partial w_1} & \frac{\partial f_{\mathrm{MSE}}}{\partial w_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_{\mathrm{MSE}}}{\partial w_3} & \frac{\partial f_{\mathrm{MSE}}}{\partial w_4} \end{bmatrix} \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{b}^{(2)}} f_{\mathrm{MSE}} & \text{etc.} \end{array}$$



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Deriving the gradient terms

- In the XOR problem, we derived each element of each gradient term by hand.
- For large networks with many layers, this would be prohibitively tedious.
- Fortunately, we can largely *automate* the process of computing each gradient term **W**⁽¹⁾, **W**⁽²⁾, ..., **W**^(d) (for *d* layers).
- This procedure is enabled by the chain rule of multivariate calculus...

Jacobian matrices & the chain rule of multivariate calculus

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Jacobian matrix

• For any function $f: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$, we can define the **Jacobian** matrix of all partial derivatives:

Columns are the *inputs* to f.

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_m} \\ & \ddots & \\ \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial \mathbf{x}_m} \end{bmatrix}$$
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Jacobian of g.

Chain rule of multivariate calculus

- Suppose $f: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$ and $g: \mathbb{R}^k \to \mathbb{R}^m$.
- Then $\frac{\partial (f \circ g)}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$
- Note that the order matters!, i.e.:

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- What is $\frac{\partial (f \circ g)}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$? Two alternative methods:
 - 1. Substitute *g* into *f* and differentiate.
 - 2.Apply chain rule.

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$f: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}$: Jacobian versus gradient

• Note, for a real-valued function $f:\mathbb{R}^m\to\mathbb{R}$, the Jacobian matrix is the transpose of the gradient.

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}_m} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mathbf{x}_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient

Jacobian