



# Introduction to Neural Networks

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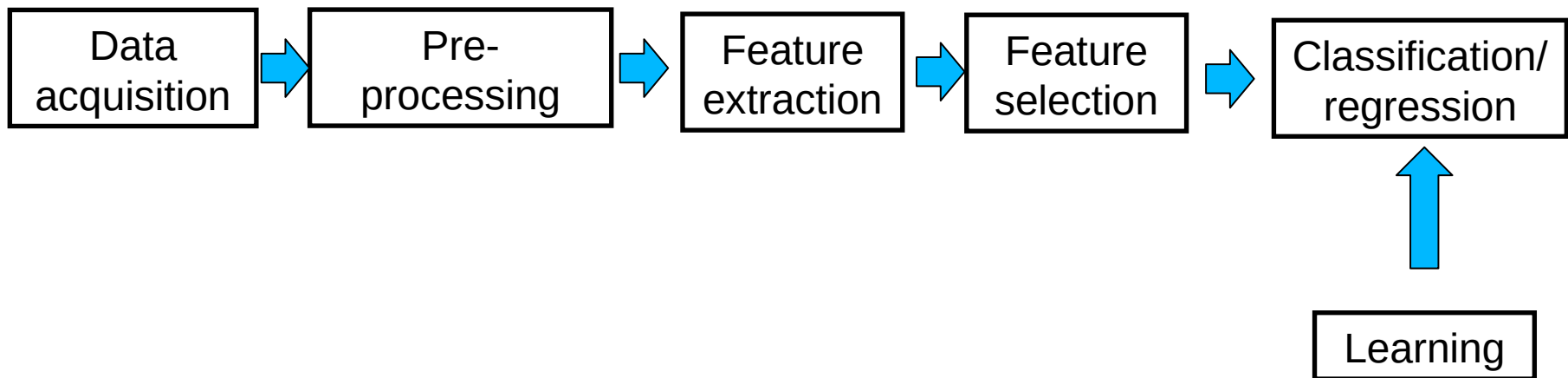
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# History of Neural Network

- Progression (1943-1960)
  - First Mathematical model of neurons, Pitts & McCulloch (1943)
  - Beginning of artificial neural networks—**Perceptron**, Rosenblatt (1957)
- Degression (1960-1980)
  - Perceptron can't even learn the **XOR function**
  - We don't know how to train **MLP**
  - 1963 Backpropagation (Bryson et al.)
- Progression (1980-)
  - 1986 **Backpropagation** reinvented
- Degression (1993-)
  - SVM: Support Vector Machine is developed by Vapnik et al. (1995)
  - Graphical models are becoming more and more popular
  - Training deeper networks consistently yields poor results.
  - However, **Yann LeCun** (1998) developed deep **convolutional neural networks**
- Progression (2006-)
  - Deep Belief Networks (**DBN**) by **Hinton** et al. (2006)
  - Deep Autoencoder based networks by Greedy Layer-Wise Training of Deep Networks. **Bengio** et al.
  - Convolutional neural networks running on GPUs
  - **AlexNet** (2012). Krizhevsky et al.

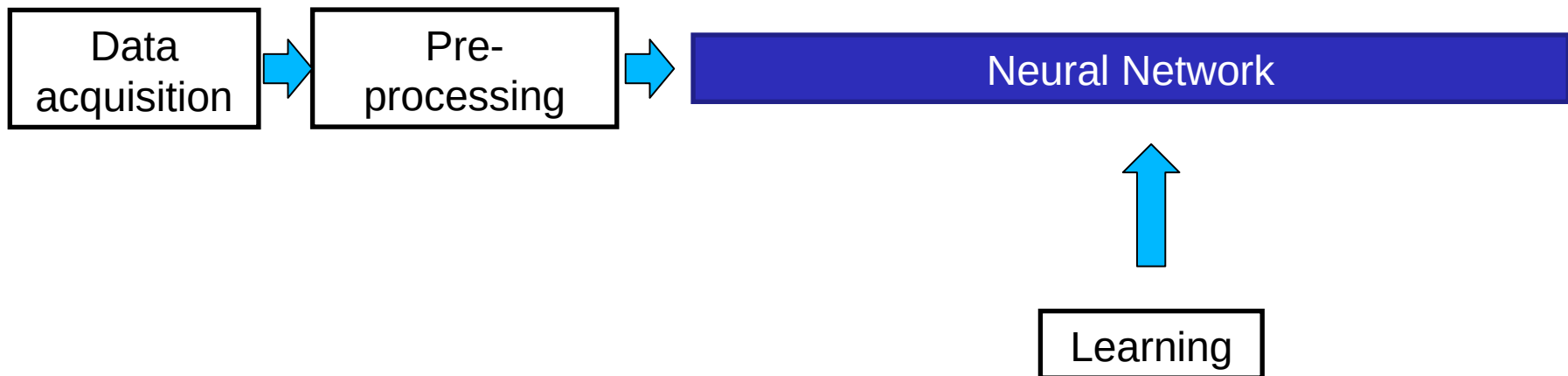
# Core Idea: Feature Learning

Classical pattern recognition pipeline



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Neural networks pipeline



# Deep Neural Network in action

- Learning representations with increasing level of abstraction
- By passing it with several layers hierarchically, we can classify the images in the output layer

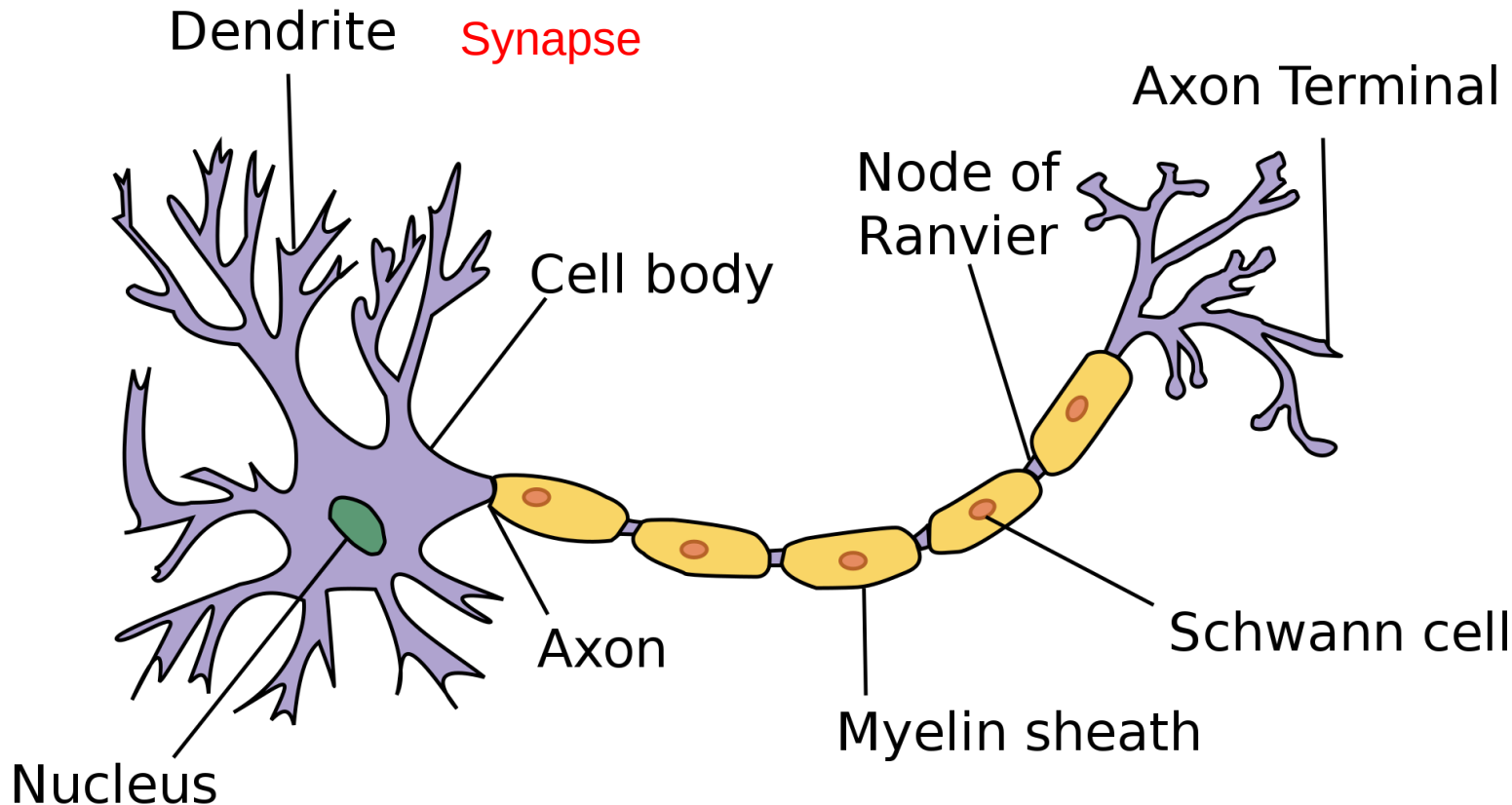
Low-level features  More complex features

- Image recognition
  - pixel → edge → pattern → motif → part → object
- Text
  - Character → word → word group → clause → sentence → story
- Speech
  - sample → spectral band → sound → ... → phone → phoneme → word

# Perceptron

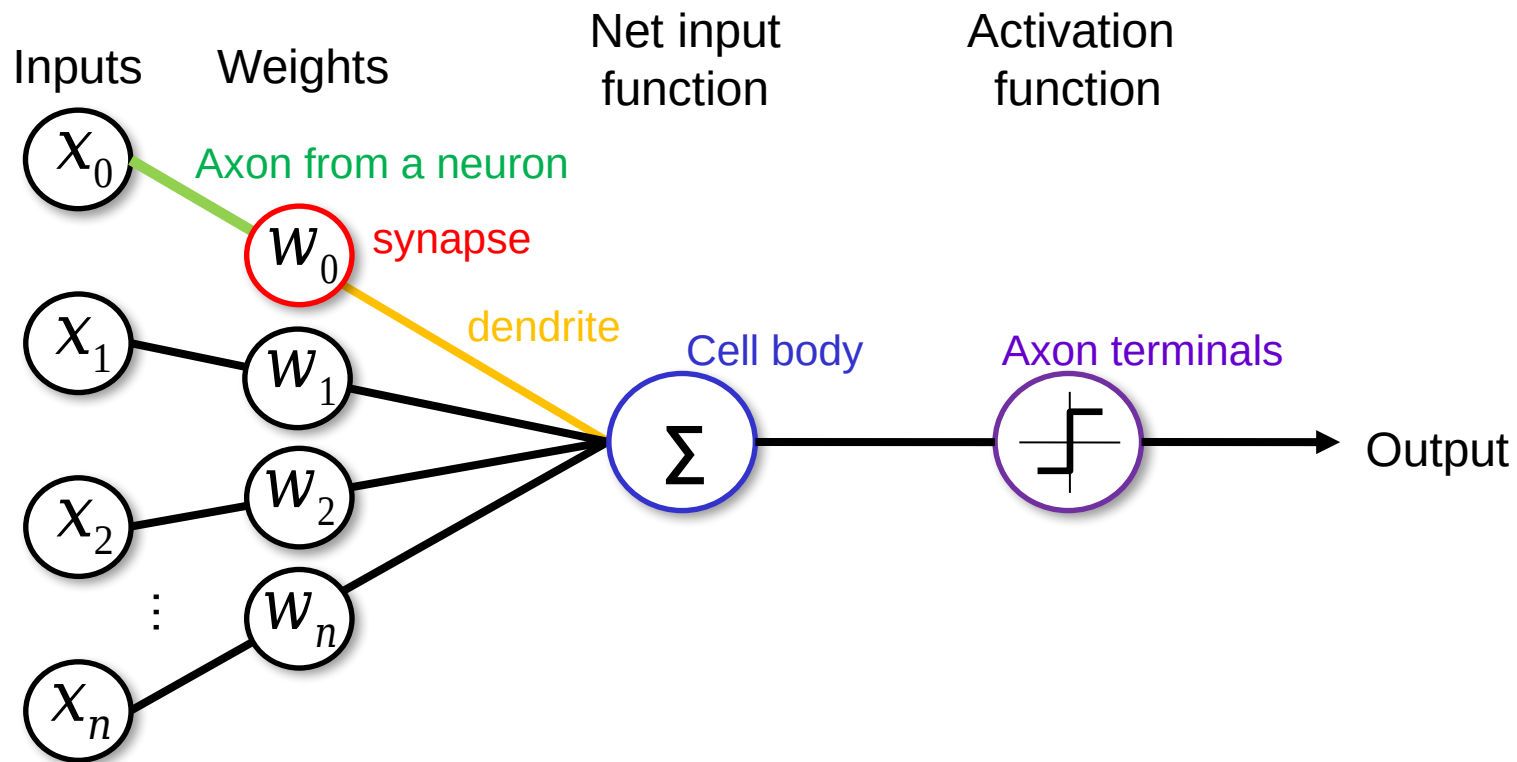
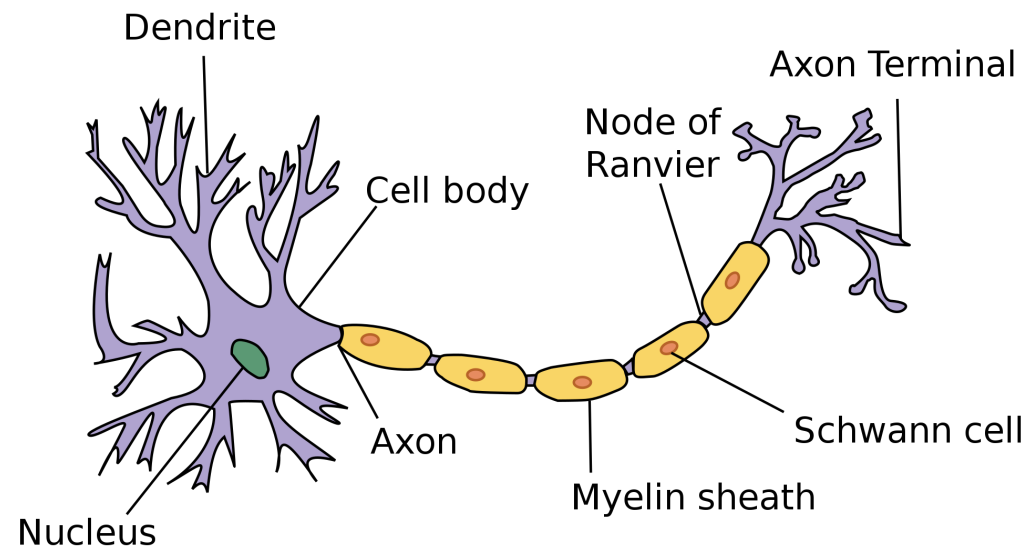
# Neuronal Activity in the Brain

$10^{11}$  neurons of  $> 20$  types,  $10^{14}$  synapses with very complex connections, 1ms–10ms cycle time Signals are noisy “spike trains” of electrical potential



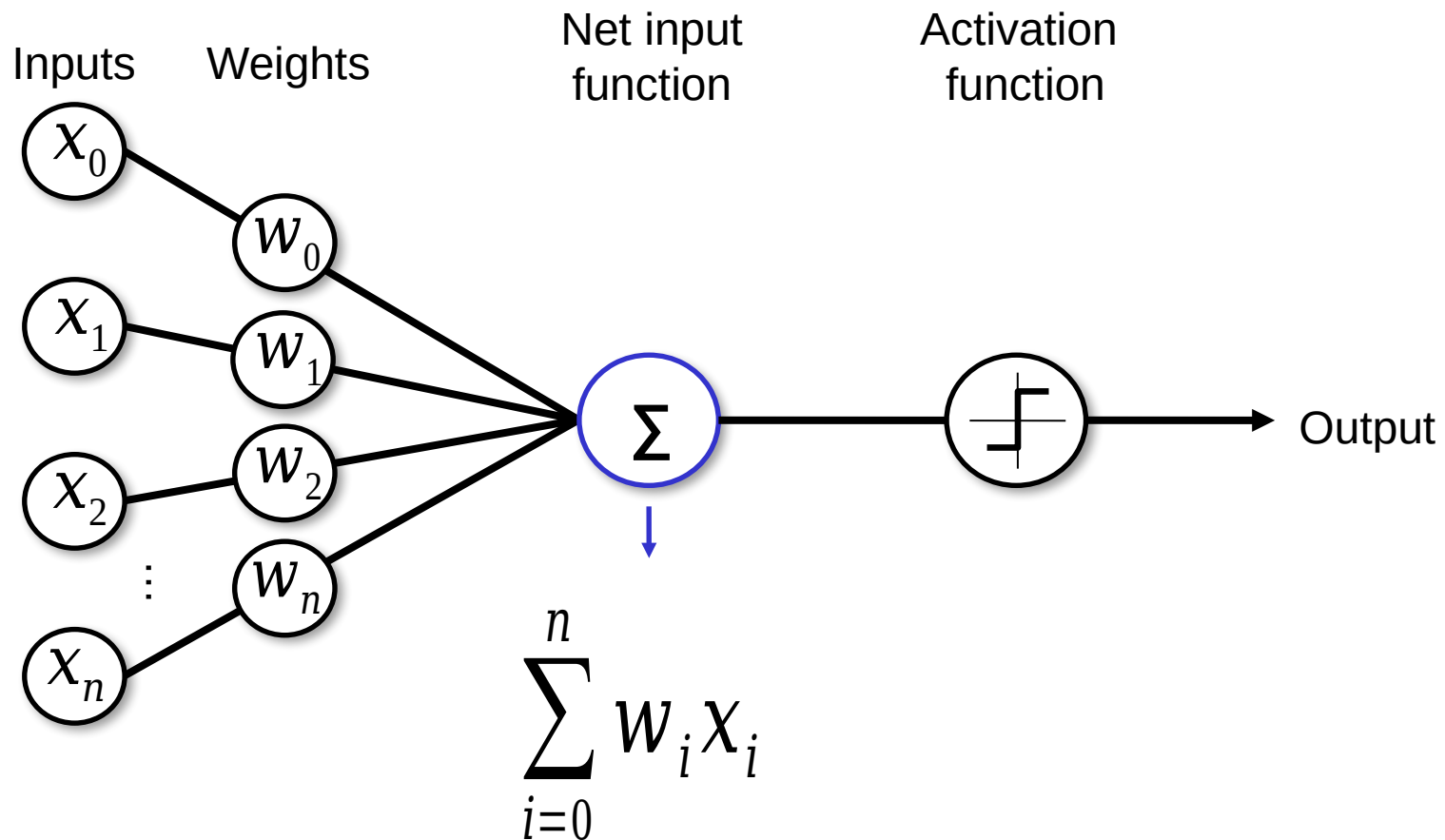


# Rosenblatt's Perceptron

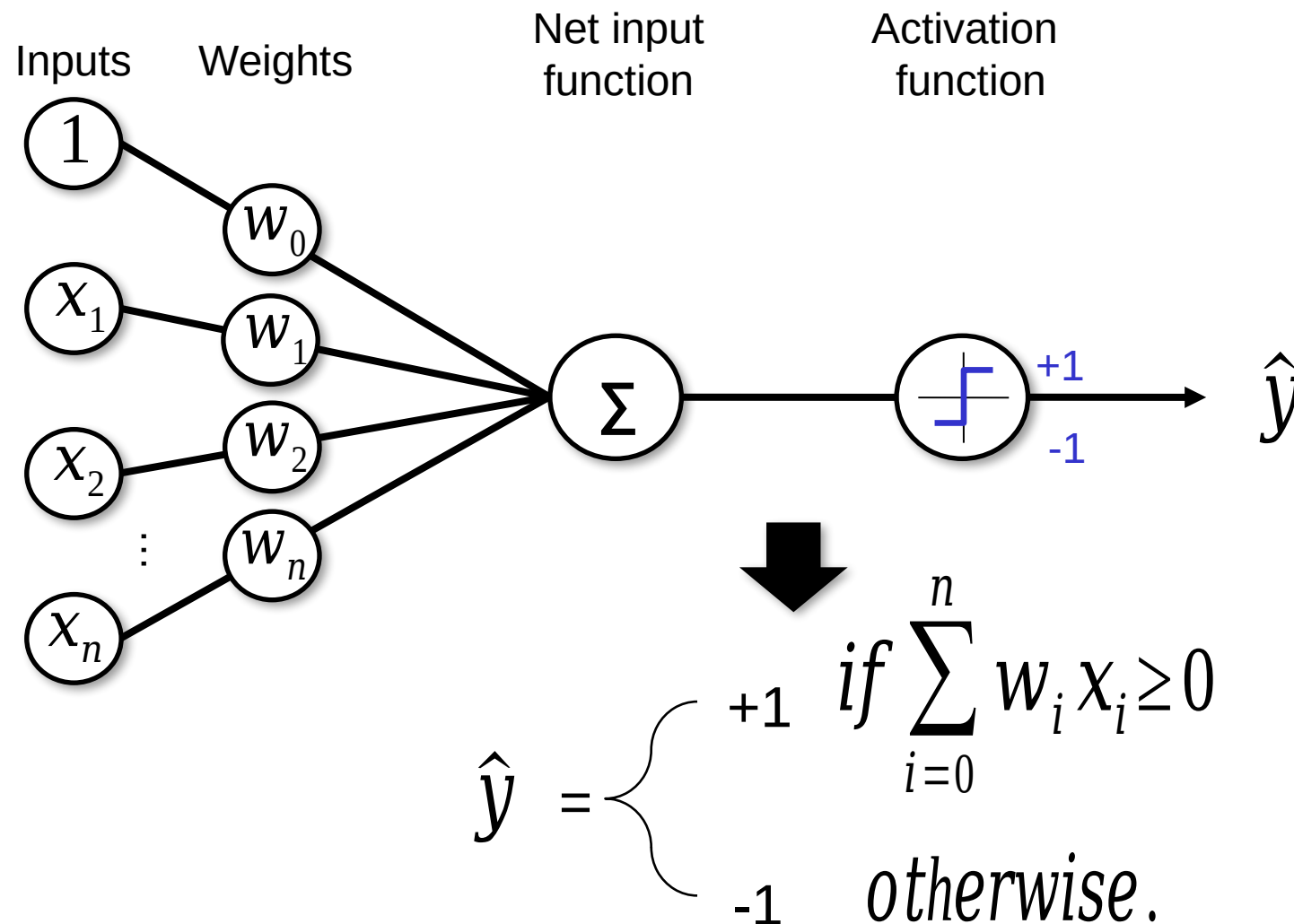


Schematic of Rosenblatt's perceptron

# Rosenblatt's Perceptron: Cell Body

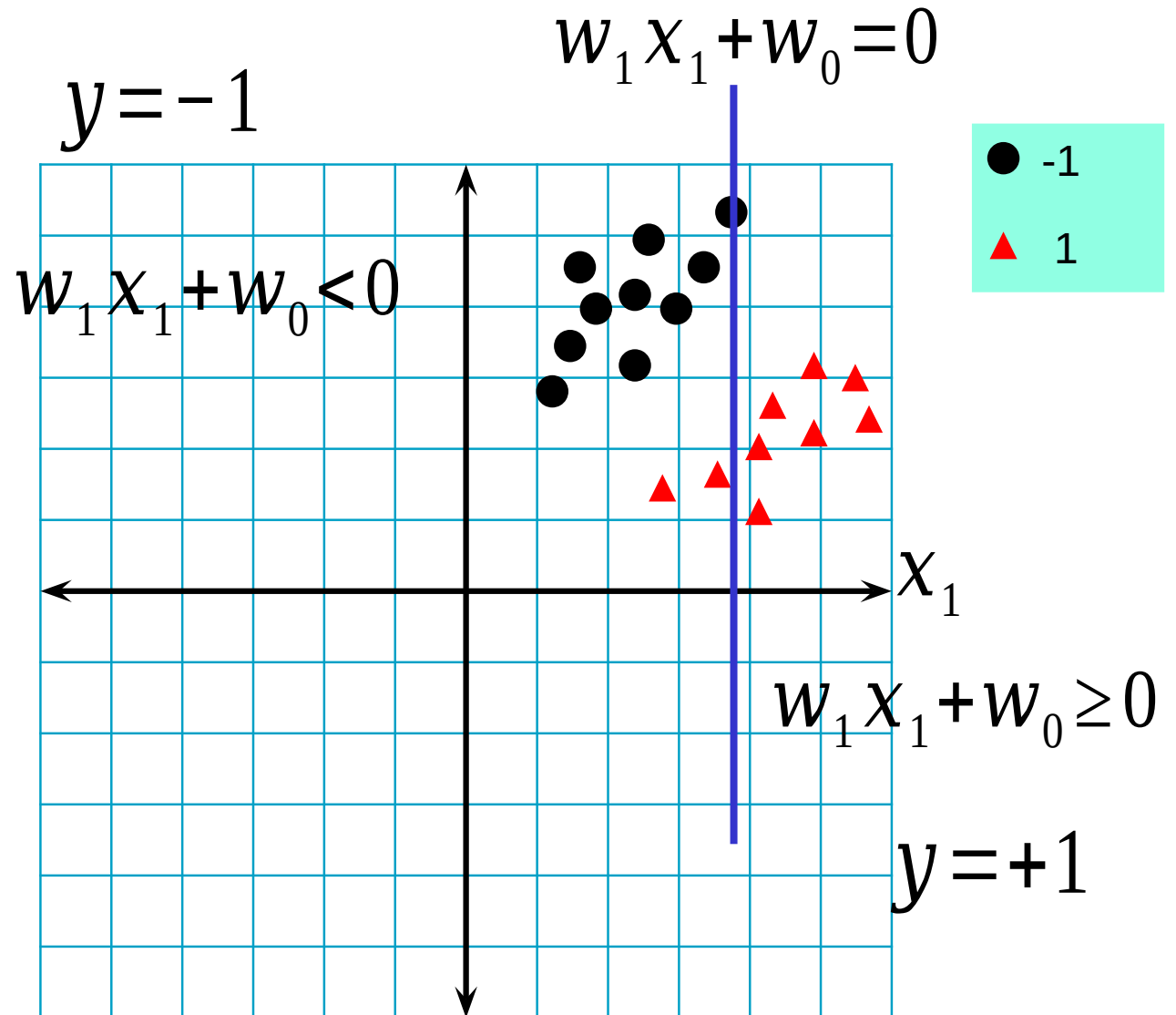
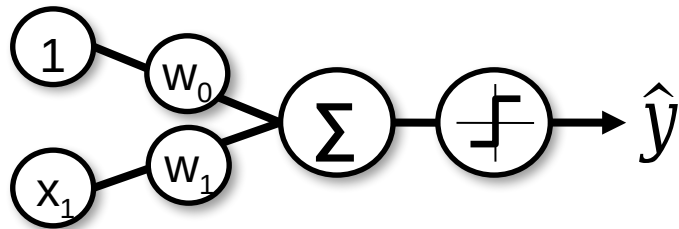


# Rosenblatt's Perceptron: Activation Function



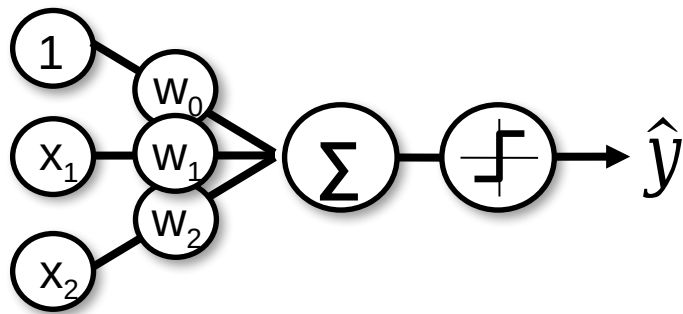
# Perceptron on 1-D coordinate

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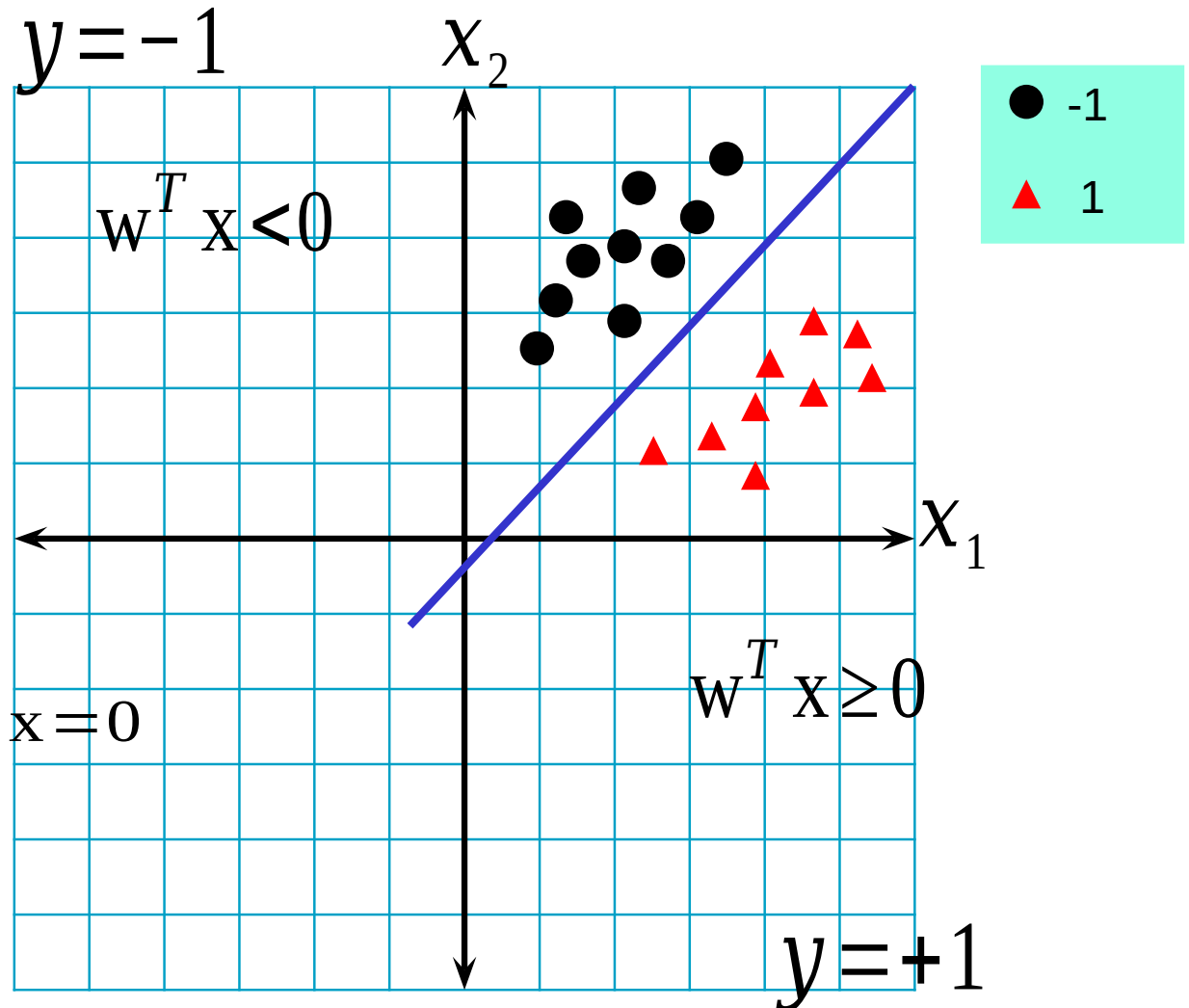


# Perceptron on 2-D coordinate

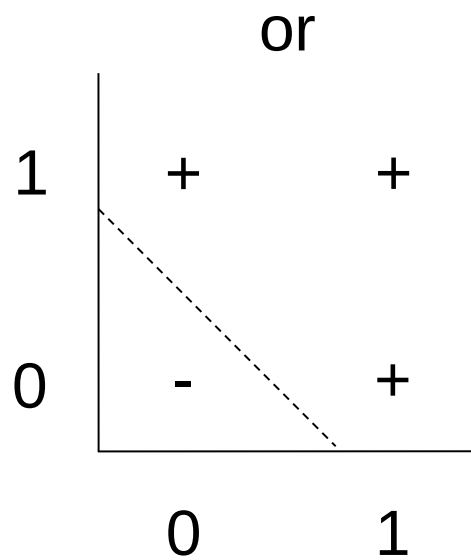
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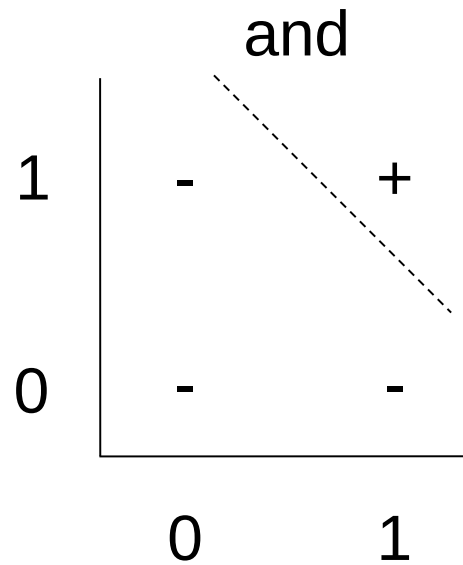
$$(w_0 \ w_1 \ w_2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = w^T x = 0$$



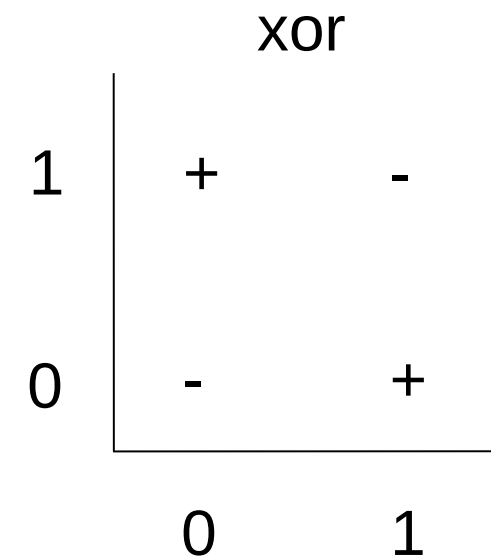
# (Simple) AND/OR problem: linearly separable?



Yep



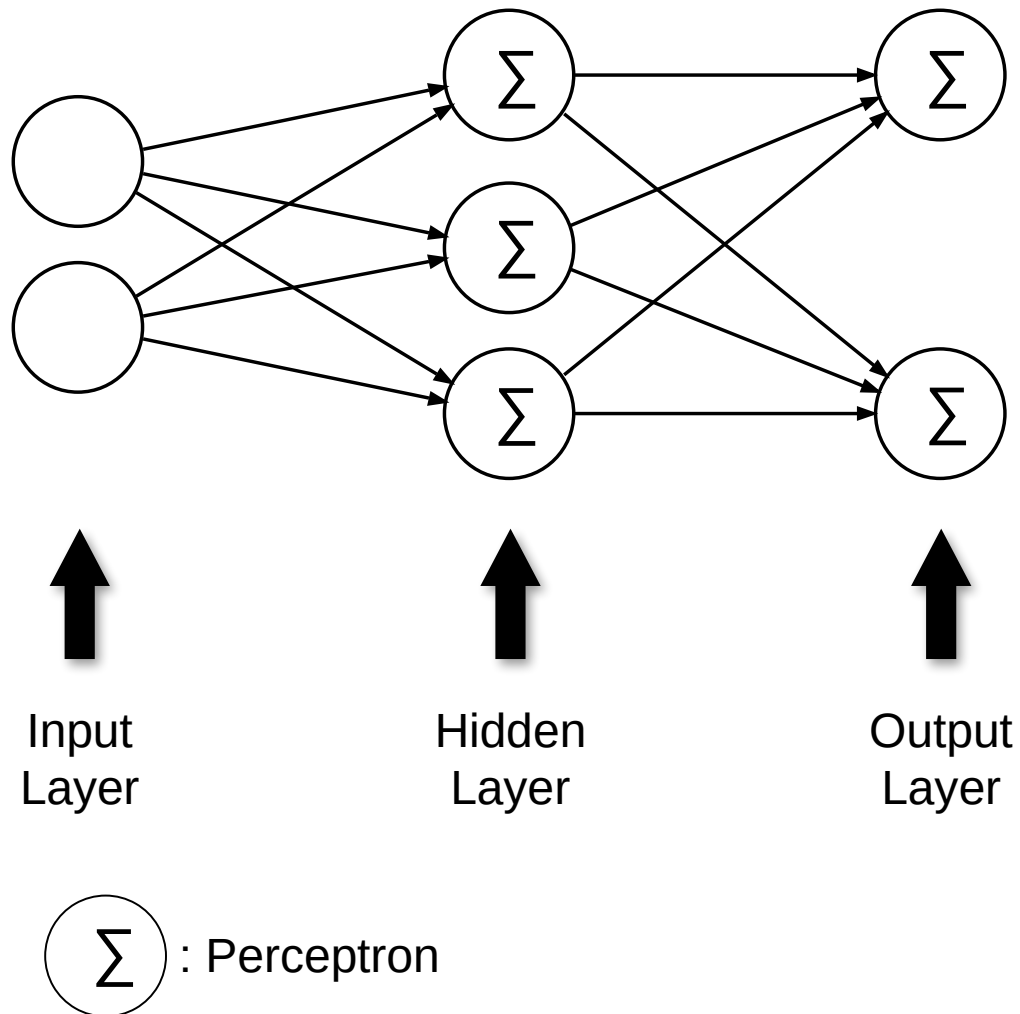
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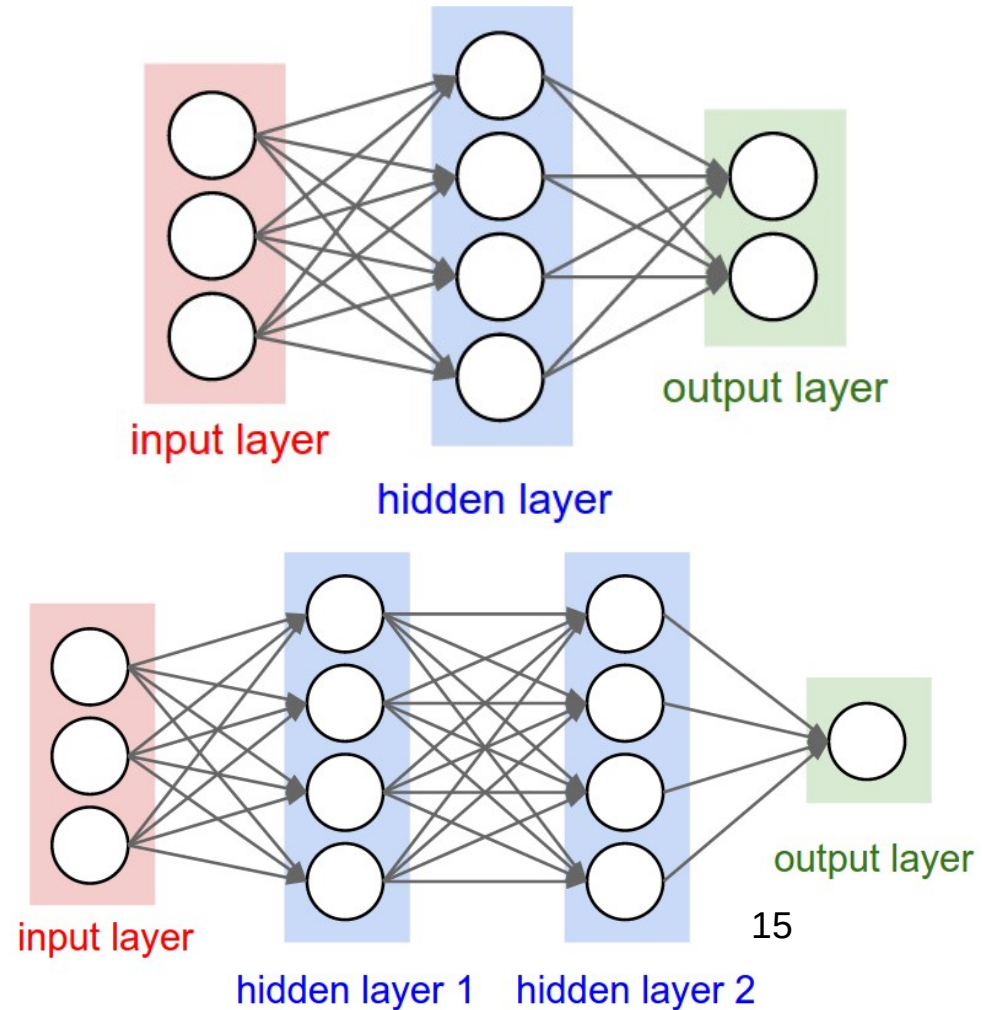
Nope

$x_1$	$x_2$	$y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

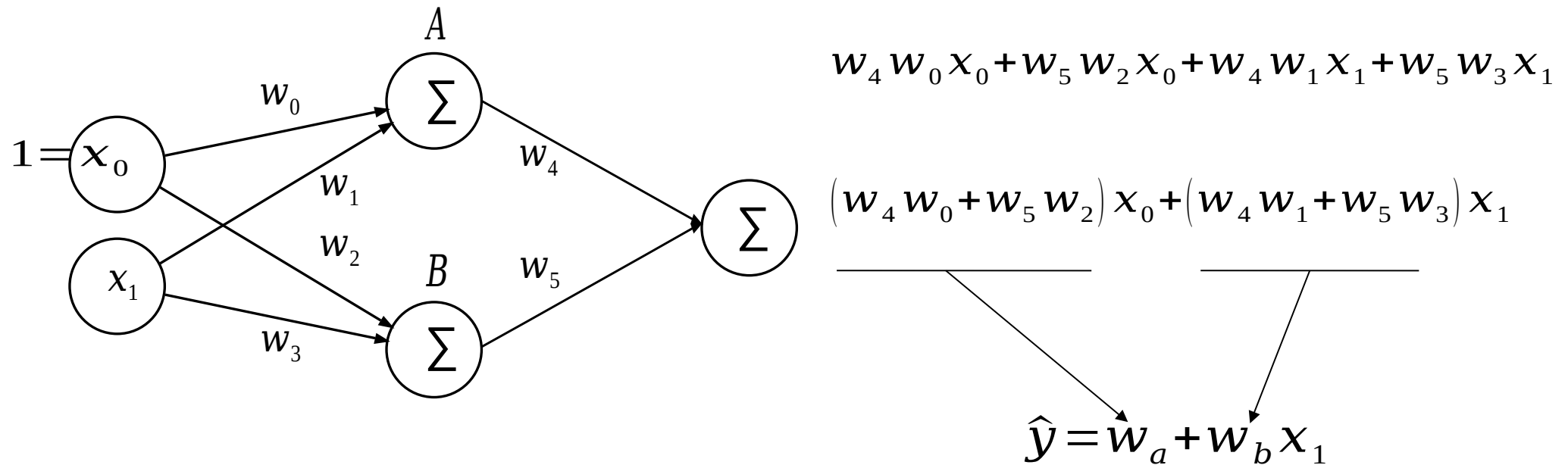
# Multi-Layer Perceptron



2-Layer Neural Network



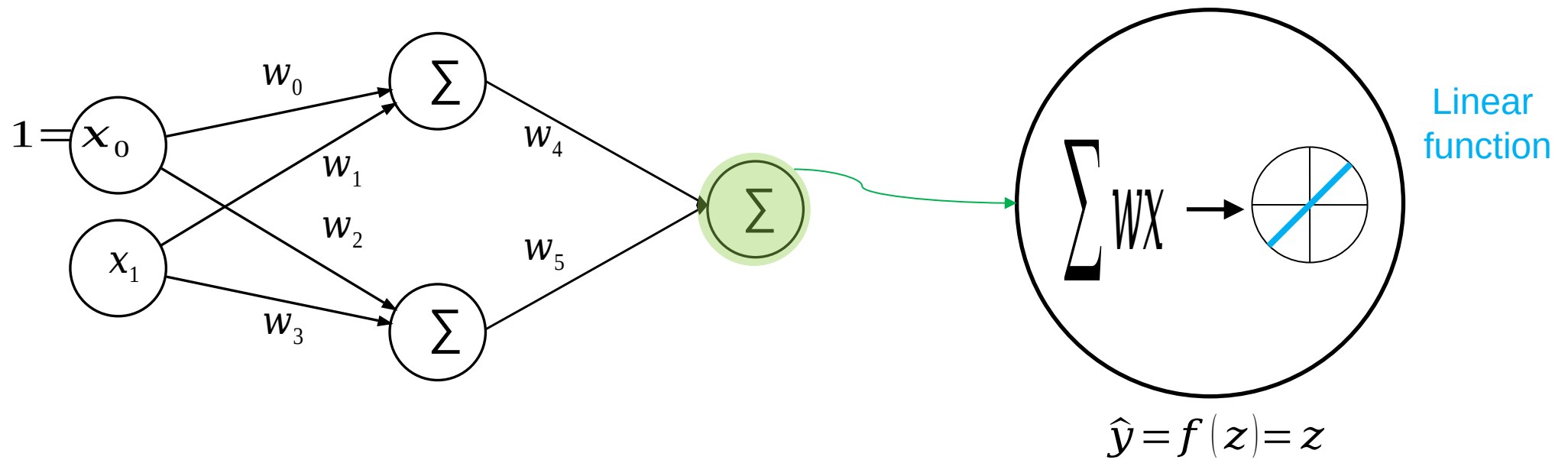
# Multi-Layer Perceptron: Limitation



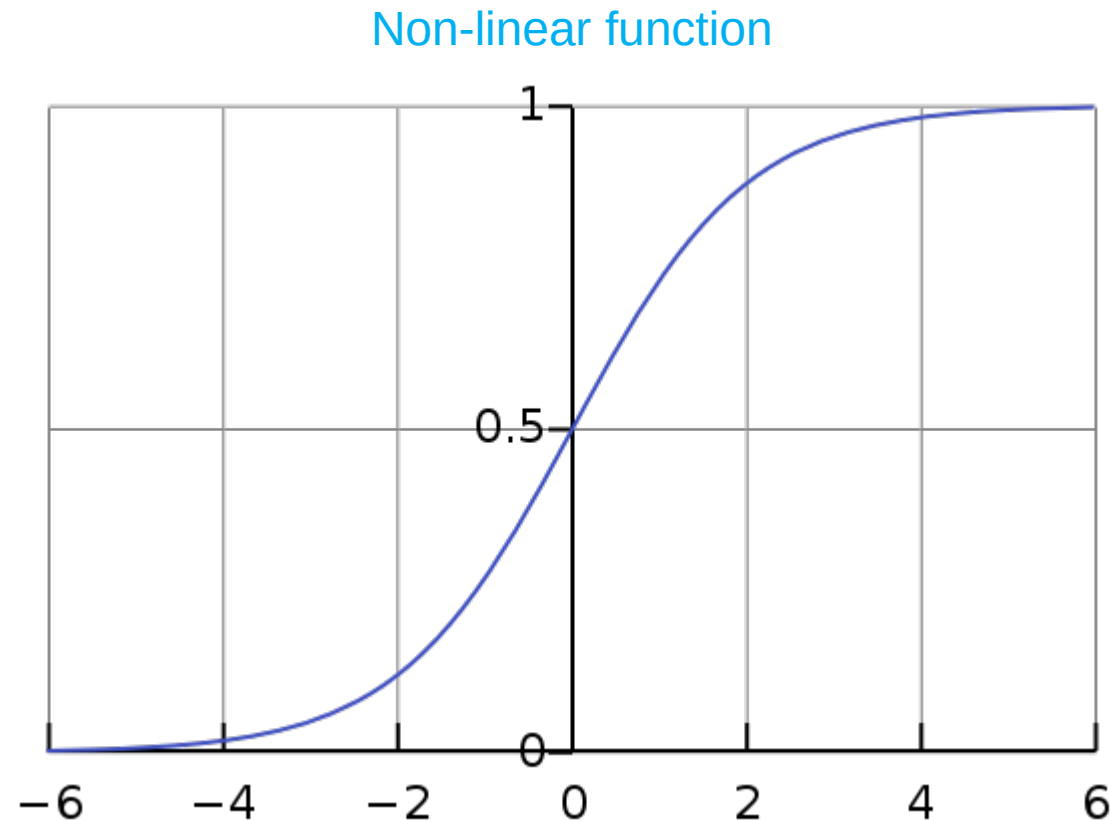
Still **Linear** equation  
(Line, plane, or hyper-plane)



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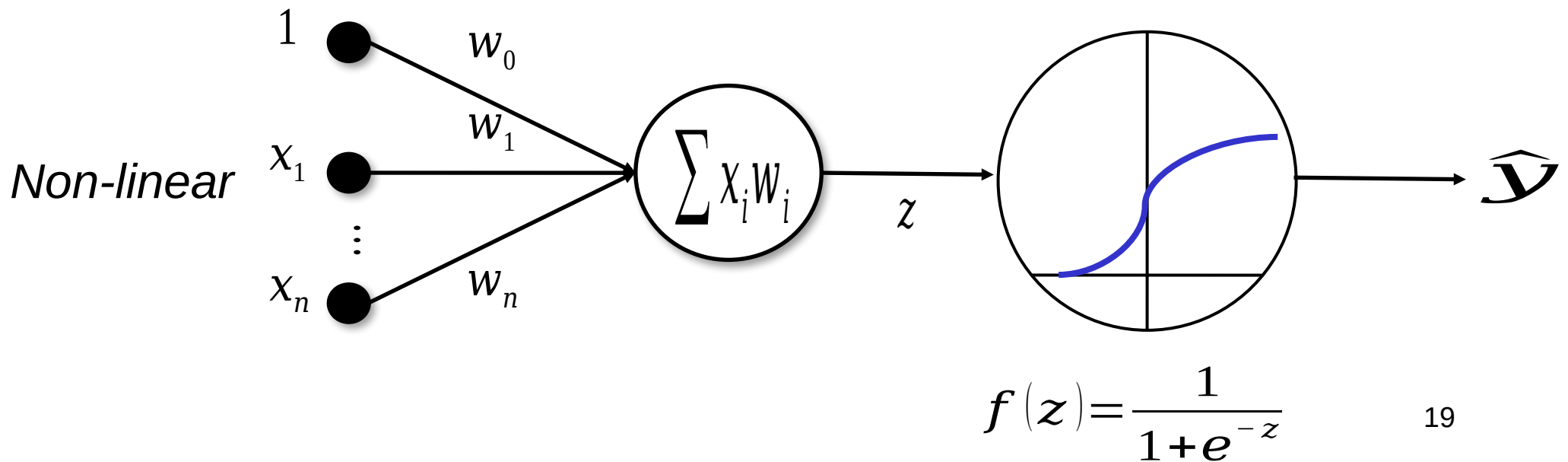
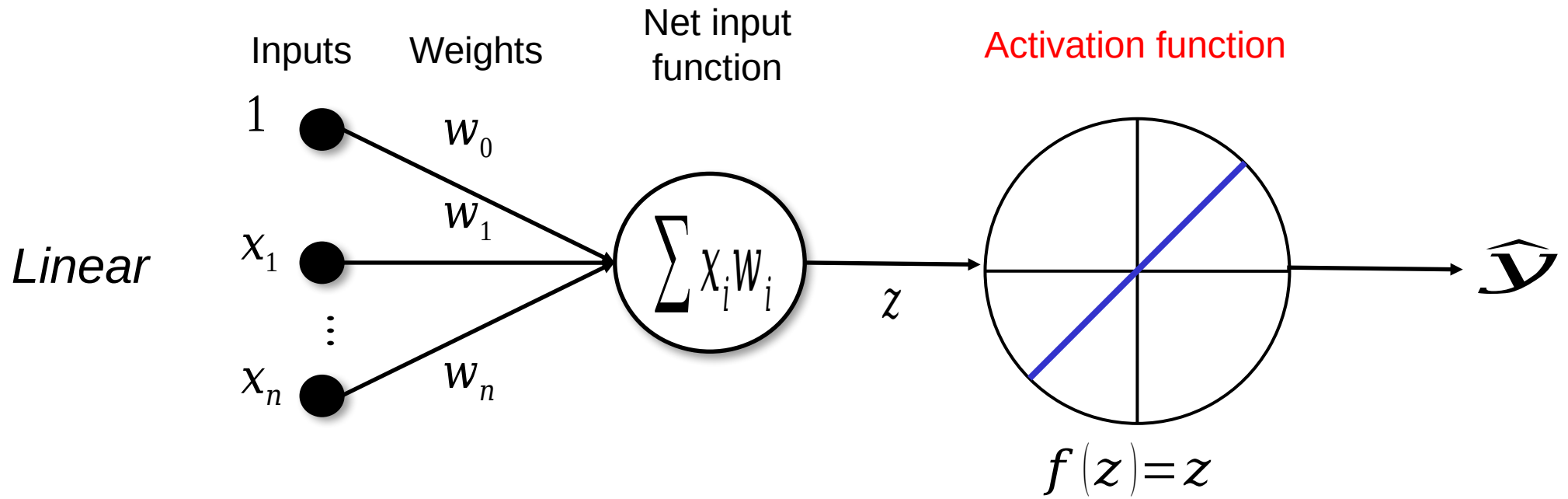
# Multi-Layer Perceptron: Activation Function



Sigmoid function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}} = \frac{e^z}{1+e^z}$$

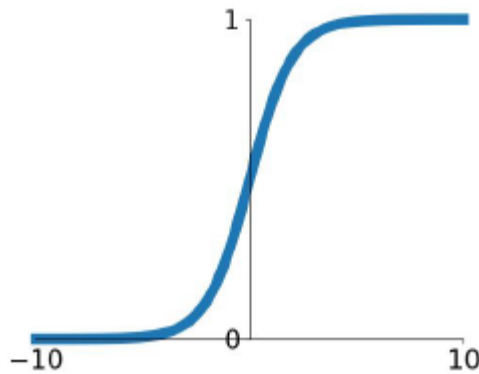
# Activation Functions



# Common Activation Functions

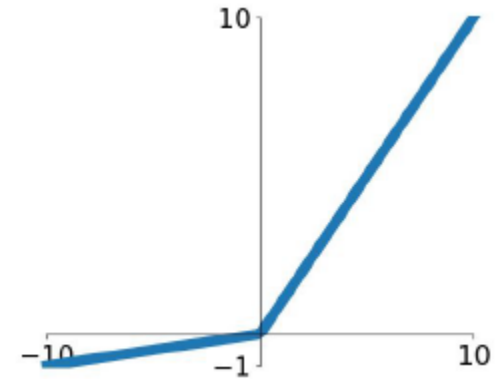
## Sigmoid

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



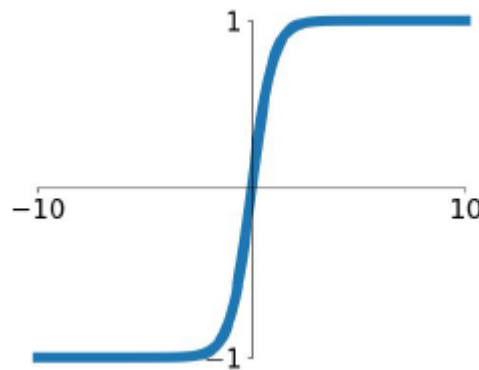
## Leaky ReLU

$$\max(0.1x, x)$$



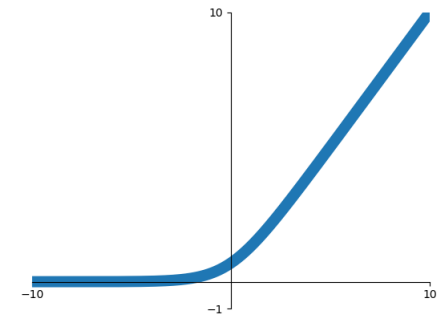
## tanh

$$\tanh(x)$$



## Softplus

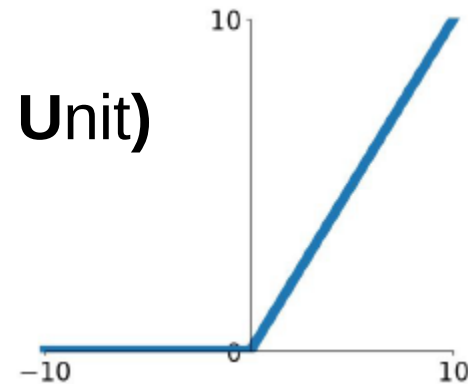
$$\ln(1 + e^x)$$



## ReLU

(Rectified Linear Unit)

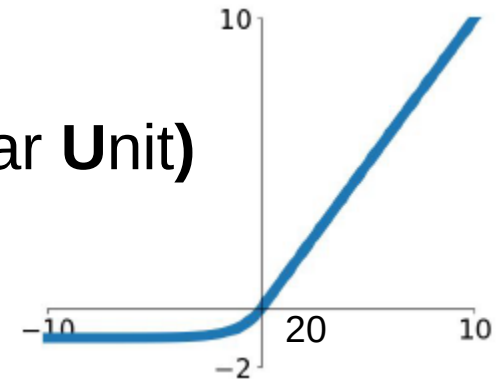
$$\max(0, x)$$



## ELU

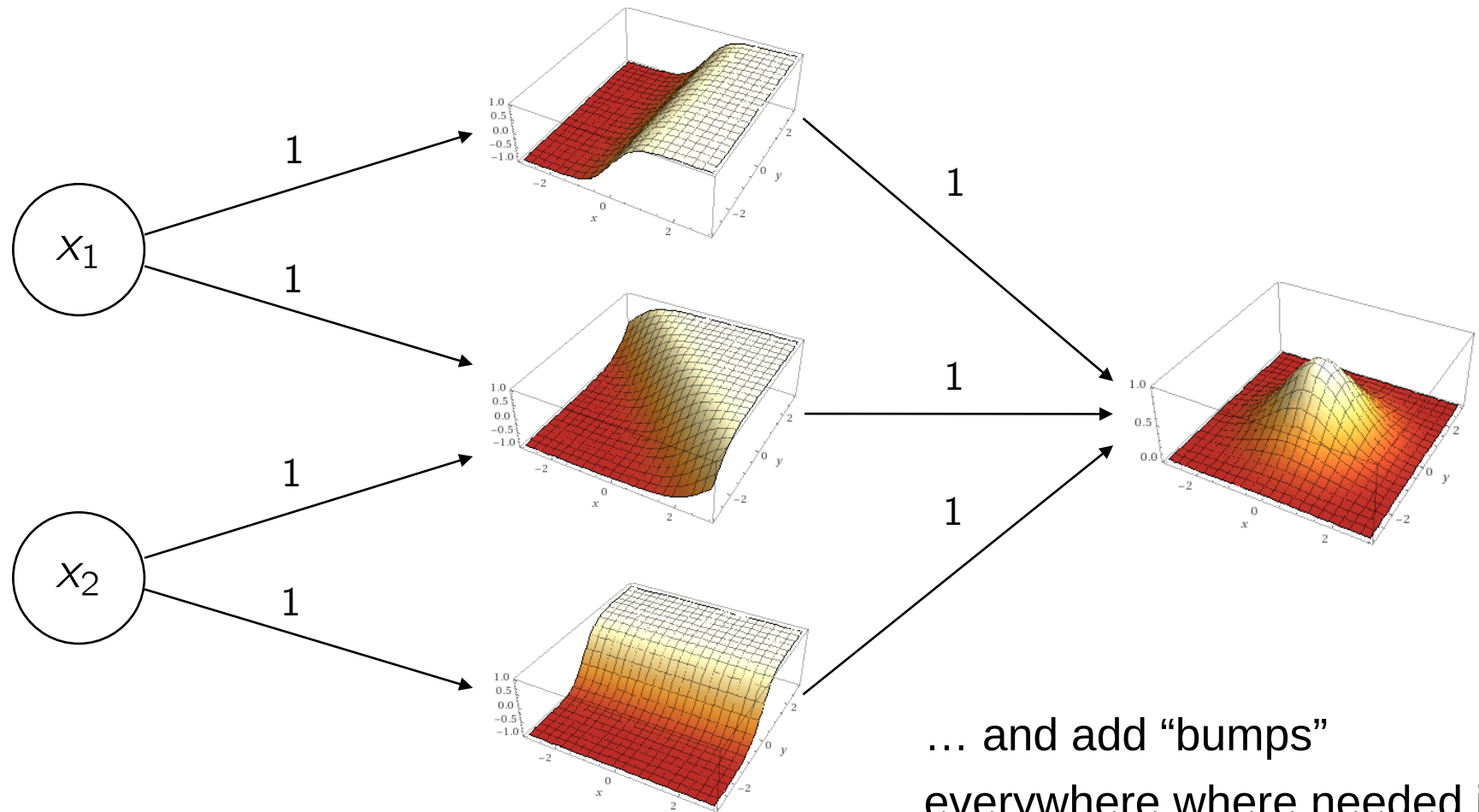
(Exponential Linear Unit)

$$\begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



# Multi-layer Perceptron is Universal Approximator

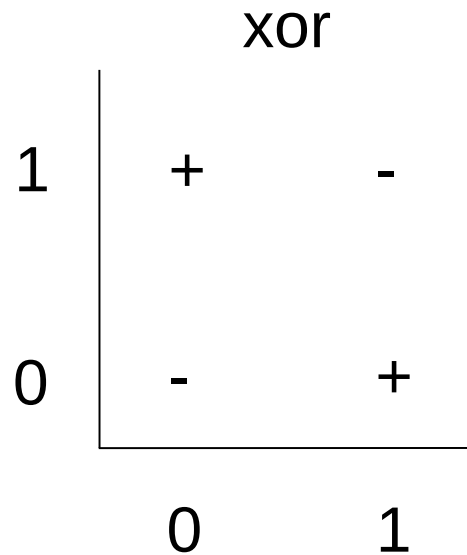
“Proof” by construction:



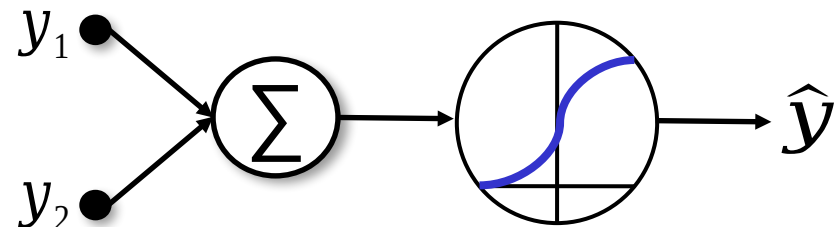
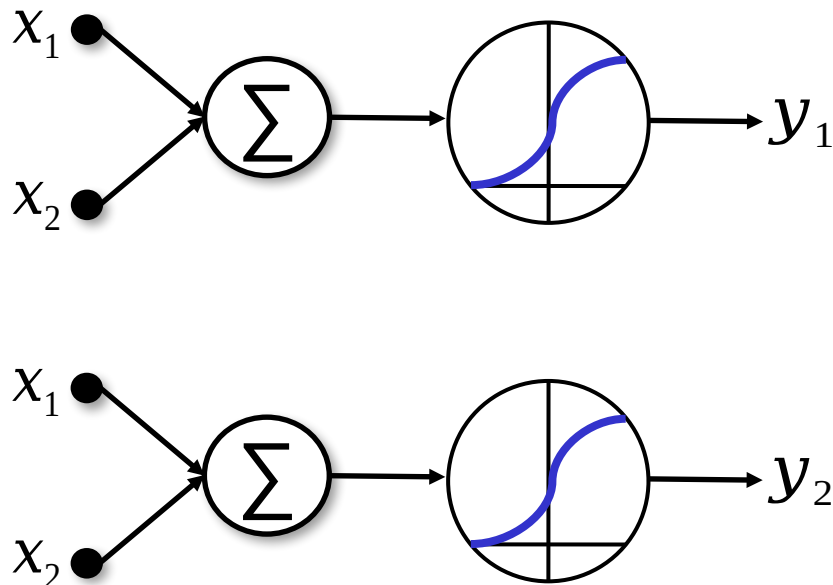
... and add “bumps”  
everywhere where needed in  
the input domain.

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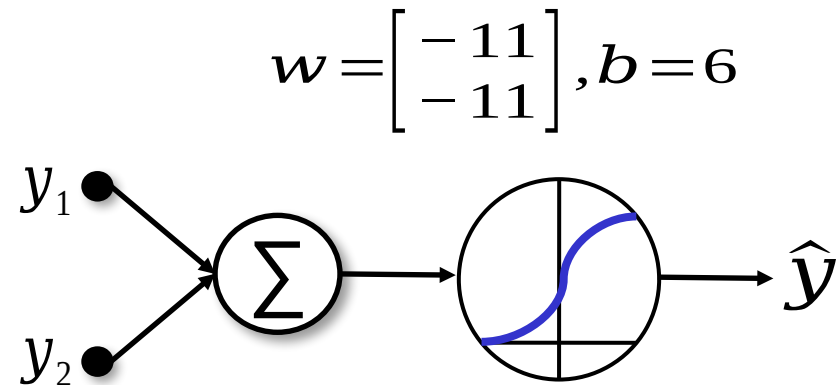
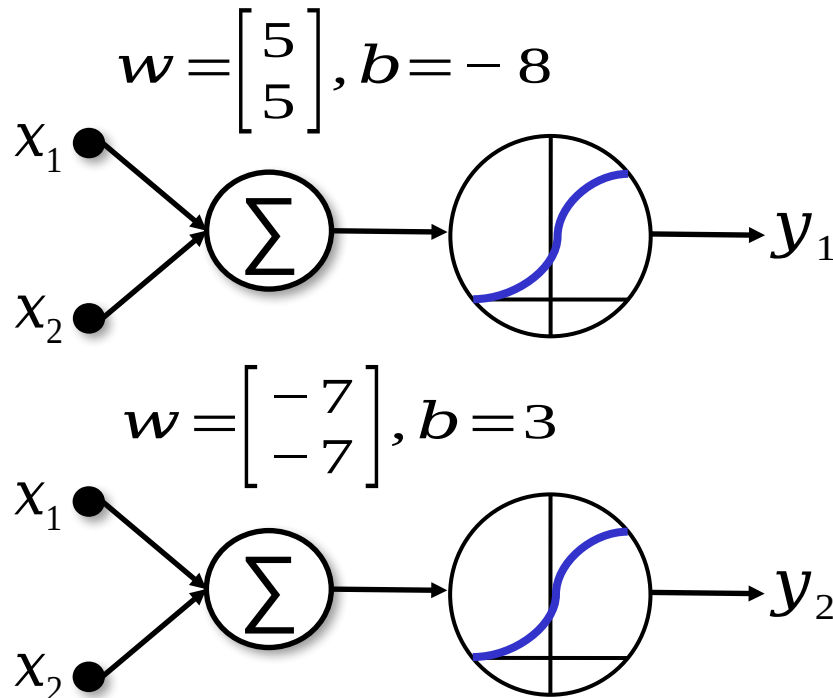
# Multi-Layer Perceptron: Simple XOR Example



$x_1$	$x_2$	XOR
0	0	0 (-)
0	1	1 (+)
1	0	1 (+)
1	1	0 (-)



# Multi-Layer Perceptron: Simple XOR Example



1) In case if  $x_1=0$  and  $x_2=0$

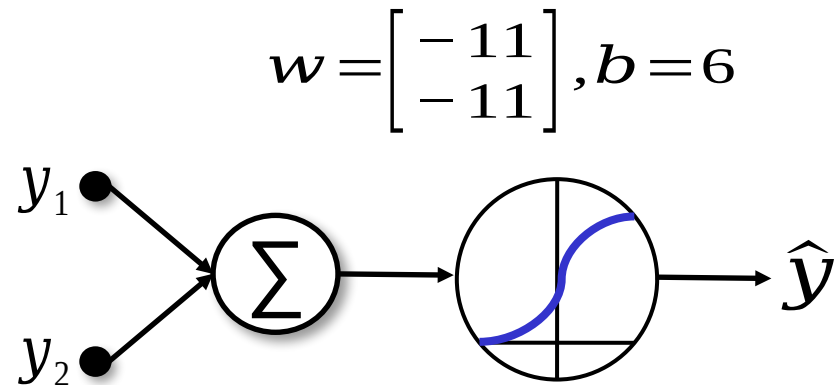
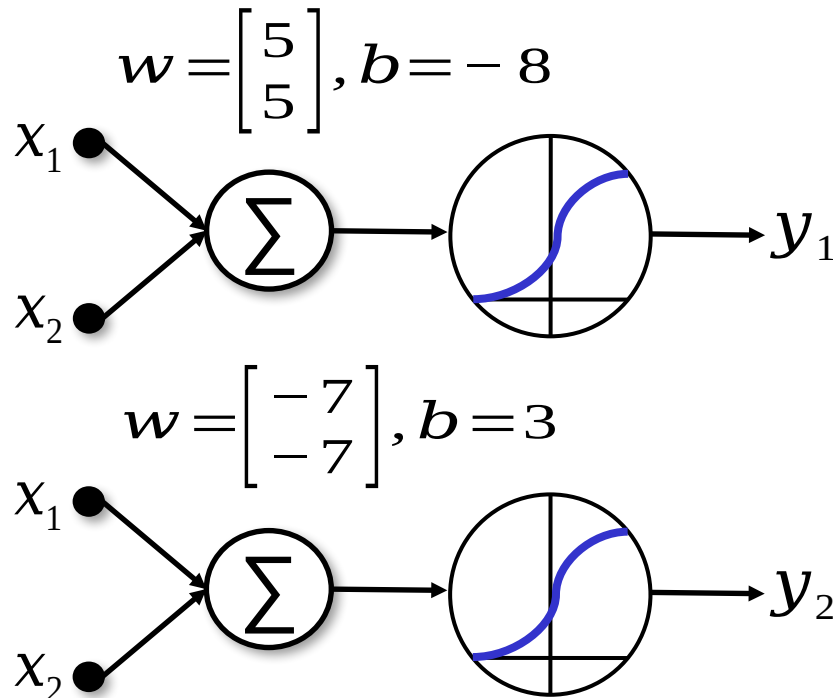
$$y_1 = f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - 8\right) = f(-8) \approx 0$$

$$y_2 = f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} + 3\right) = f(3) \approx 1$$

$$\hat{y} = f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -11 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} + 6\right) = f(-5) \approx 0$$

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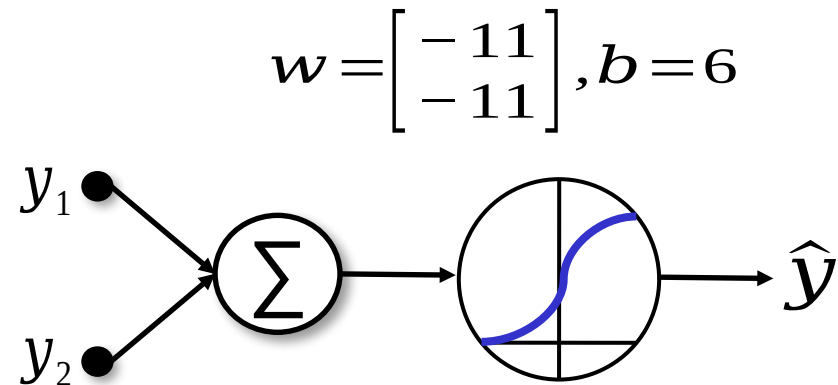
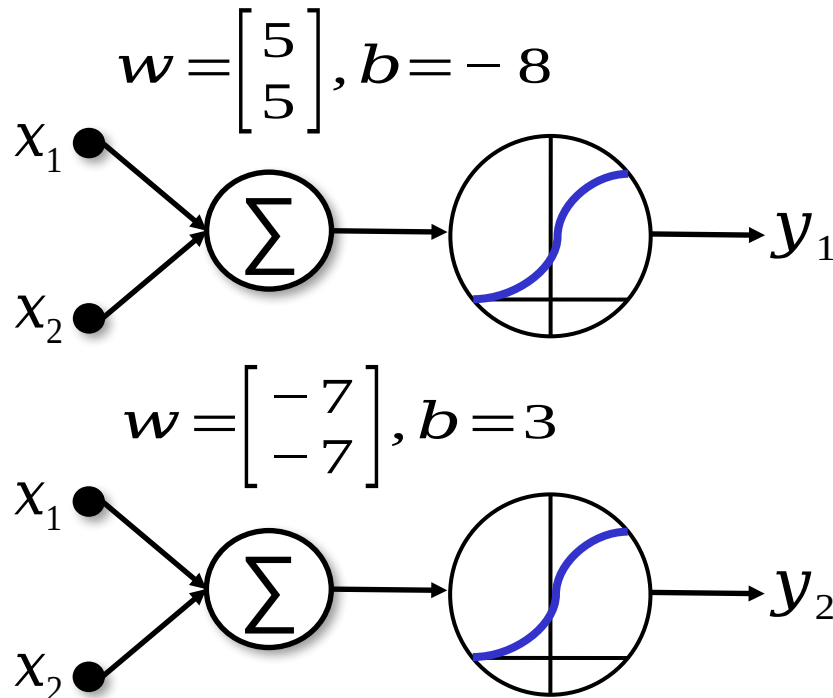
$$y_2 = f\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} + 3\right) = f(-4) \approx 0$$

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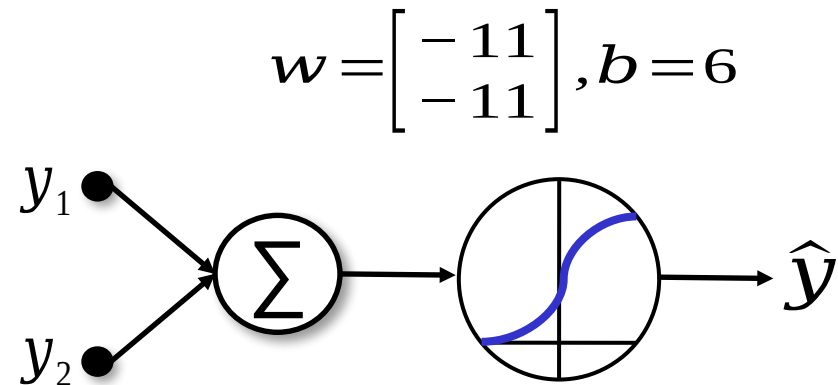
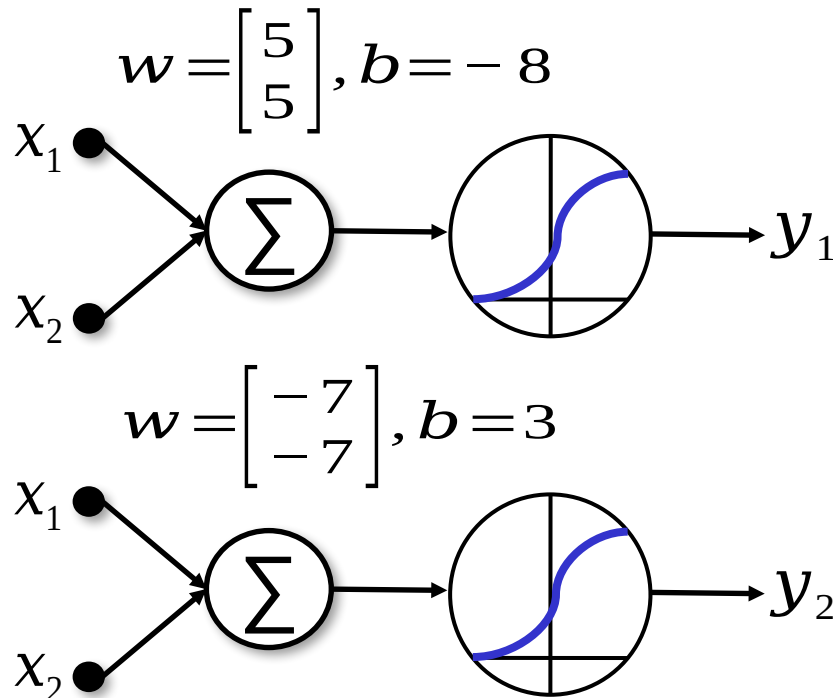
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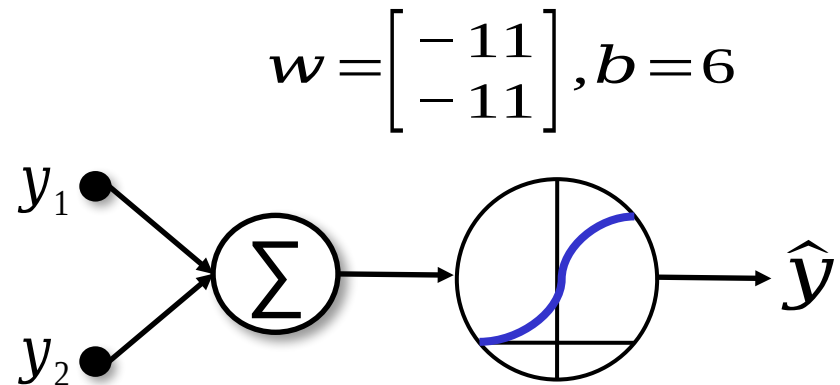
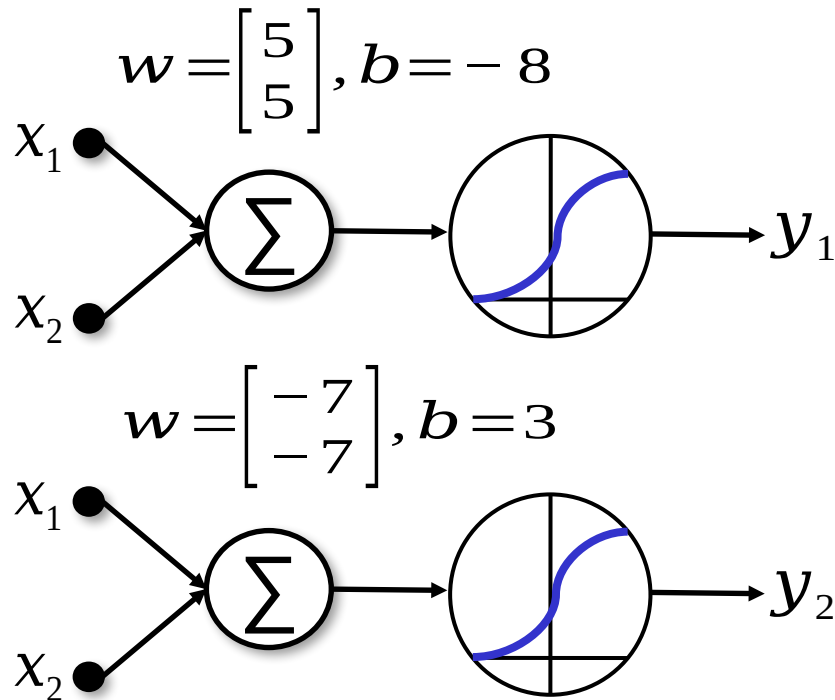
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# Multi-Layer Perceptron: Simple XOR Example



Question: How can we learn  $W$  and  $B$  from training data?

# Cost(= Loss) Function

$$\text{Loss: } E(\mathbf{w}) \equiv \frac{1}{|D|} \sum_{d \in D} \left( \underbrace{y^{(d)} - \hat{y}^{(d)}}_{\text{Difference between target value and output value for training sample}} \right)^2$$

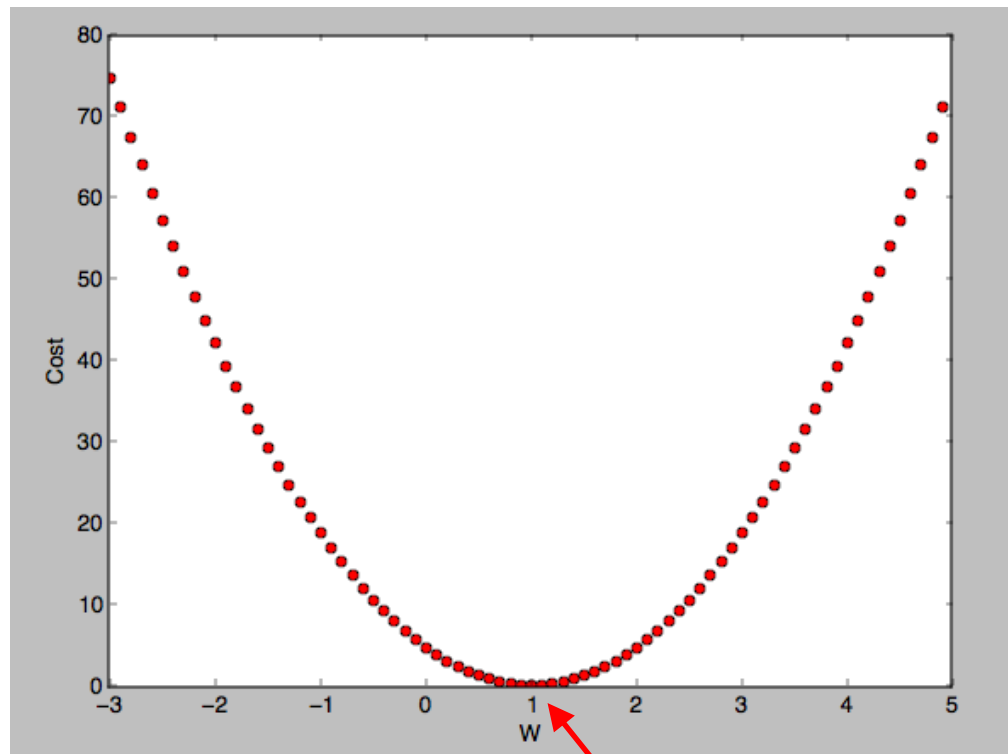
Difference between target value and output value for training sample

Our objective is to find  $\mathbf{w}$  which minimizes cost function

$$\underset{\mathbf{w}}{\text{minimize}} E(\mathbf{w})$$

# How cost(W) looks like?

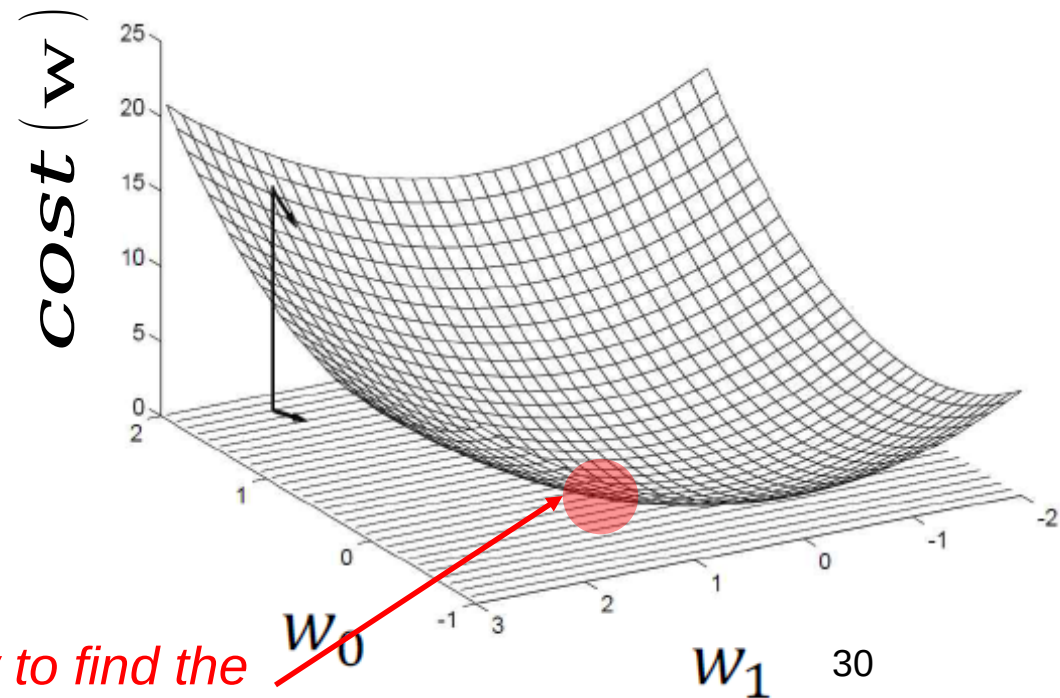
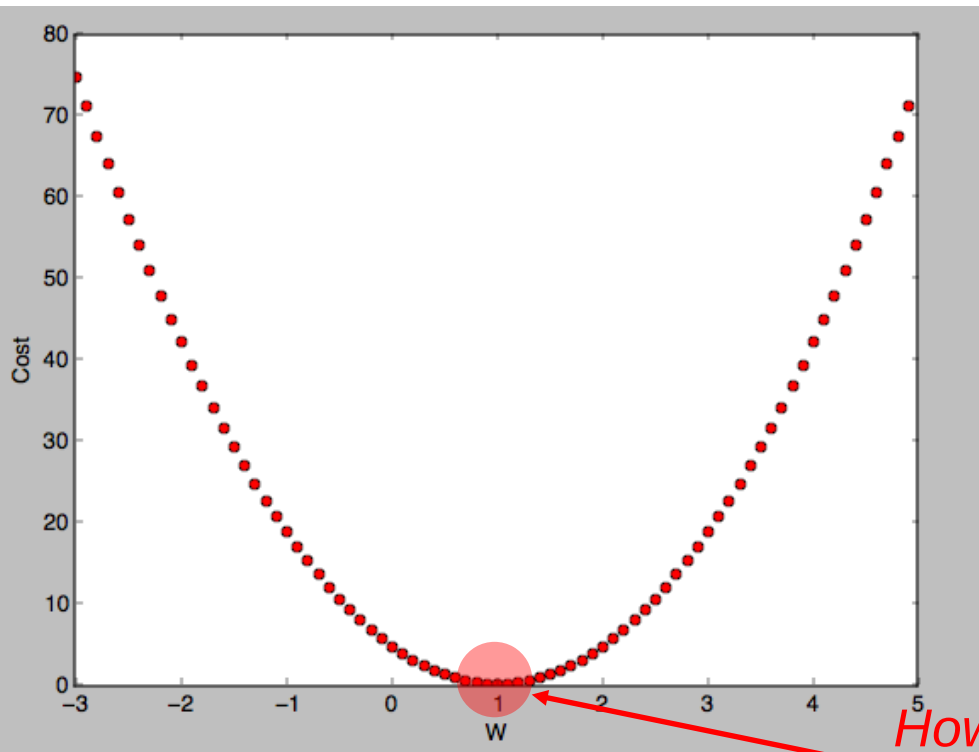
$$E(\mathbf{w}) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} \left( y^{(d)} - \hat{y}^{(d)} \right)^2$$



Minimum point = 1

# How to minimize cost?

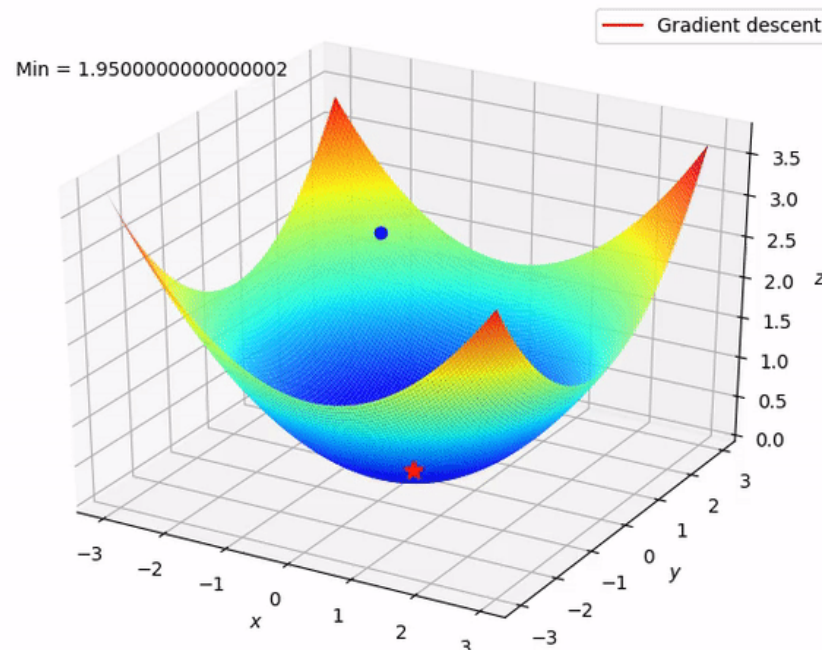
$$E(\mathbf{w}) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} (y^{(d)} - \hat{y}^{(d)})^2$$



*How to find the minimum point?*

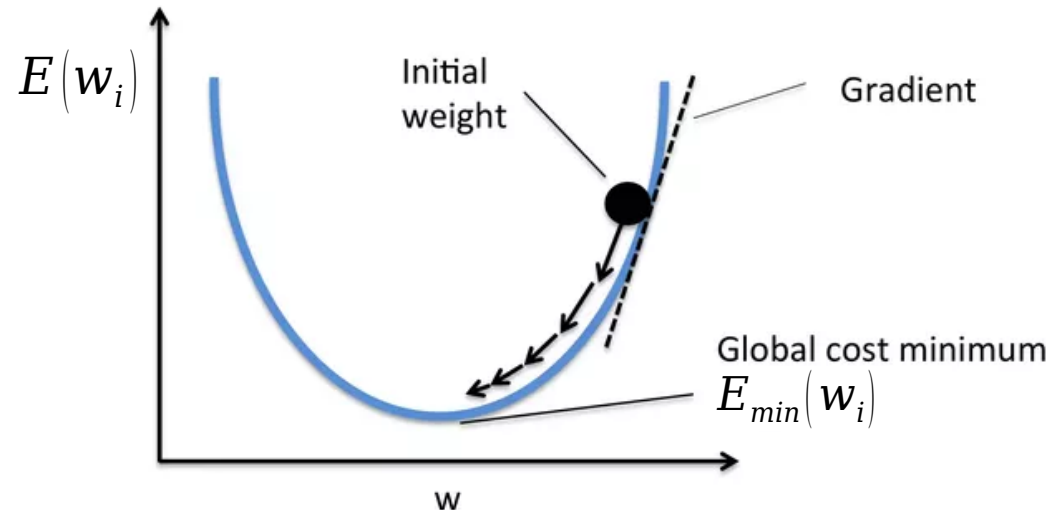
# Gradient Descent Algorithm

- Minimize cost function
- Gradient descent is used for many minimization problems
- For a given cost function, it will find  $w$  to minimize cost
- Repeat until you converge to a local minimum



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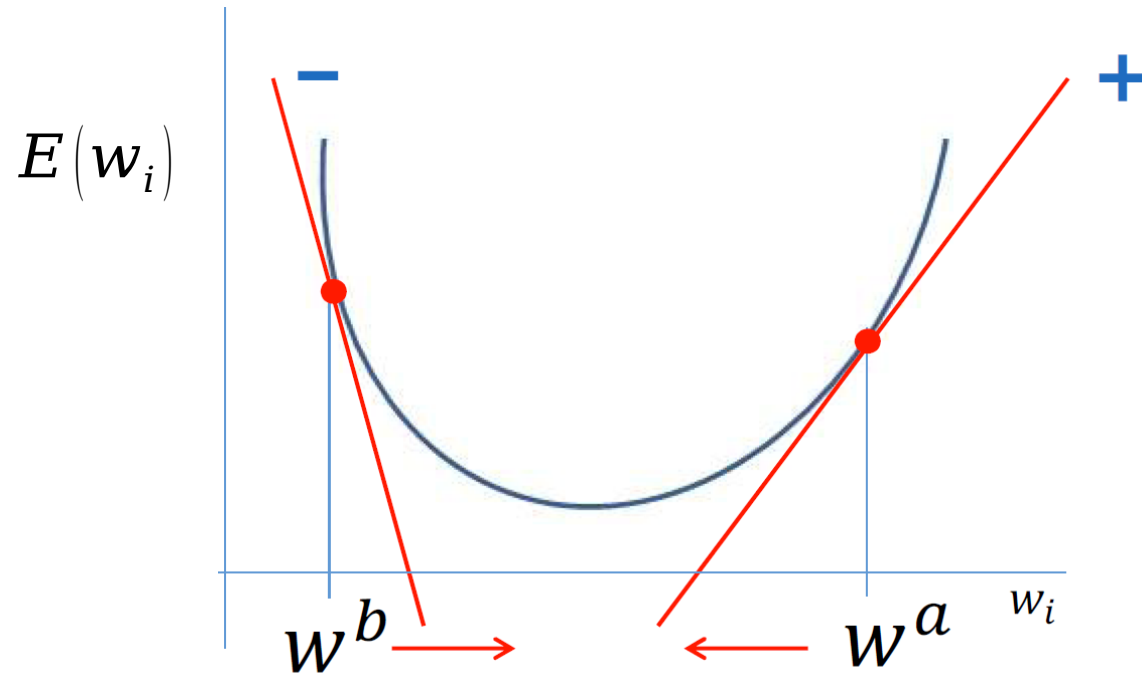
How it works?



1. Start with initial guesses
  - Start at random value
2. Each weight is updated by taking a step into the opposite direction of the gradient
  - Compute the partial derivative of the cost function for each weight
3. Repeat until you converge to a local minimum



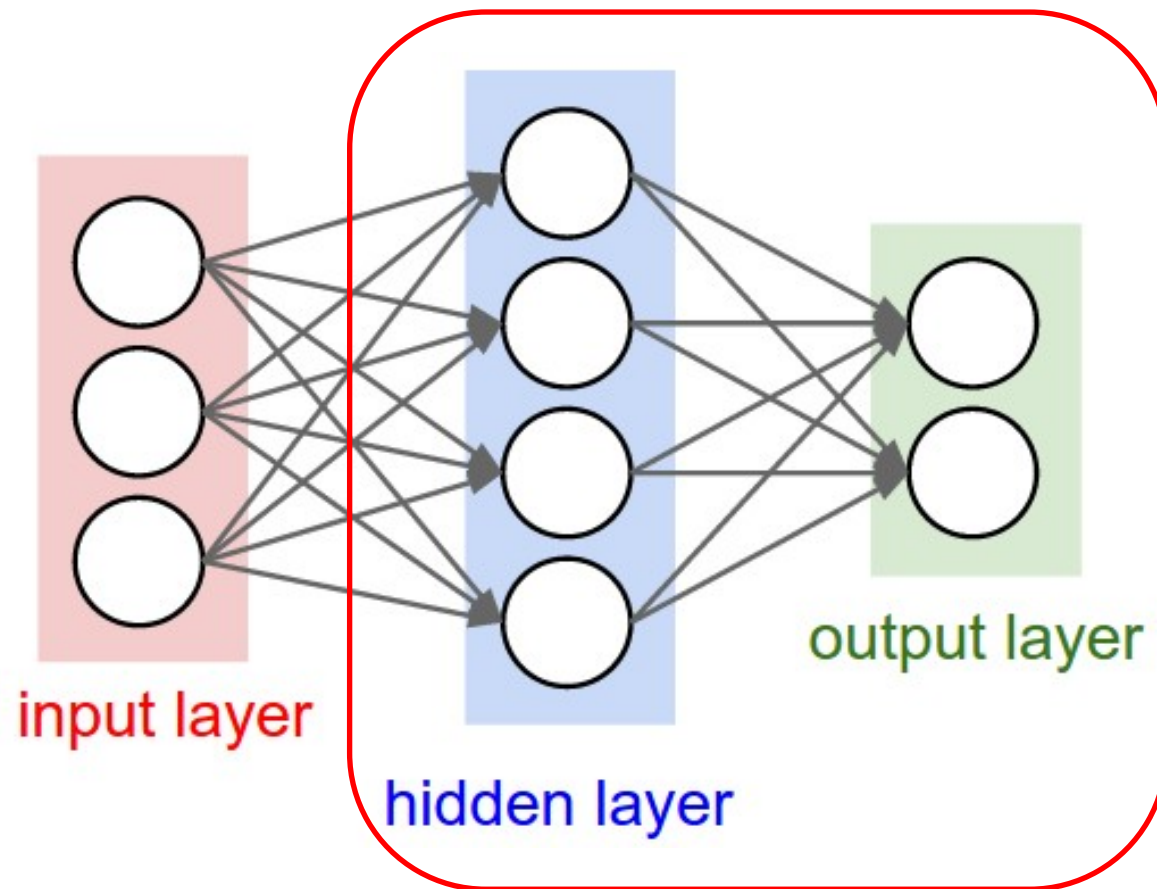
# Gradient Descent Algorithm



$$\Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = -\eta \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} (y^d - \hat{y}^d)^2 = -\eta \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (y^d - \hat{y}^d)^2$$

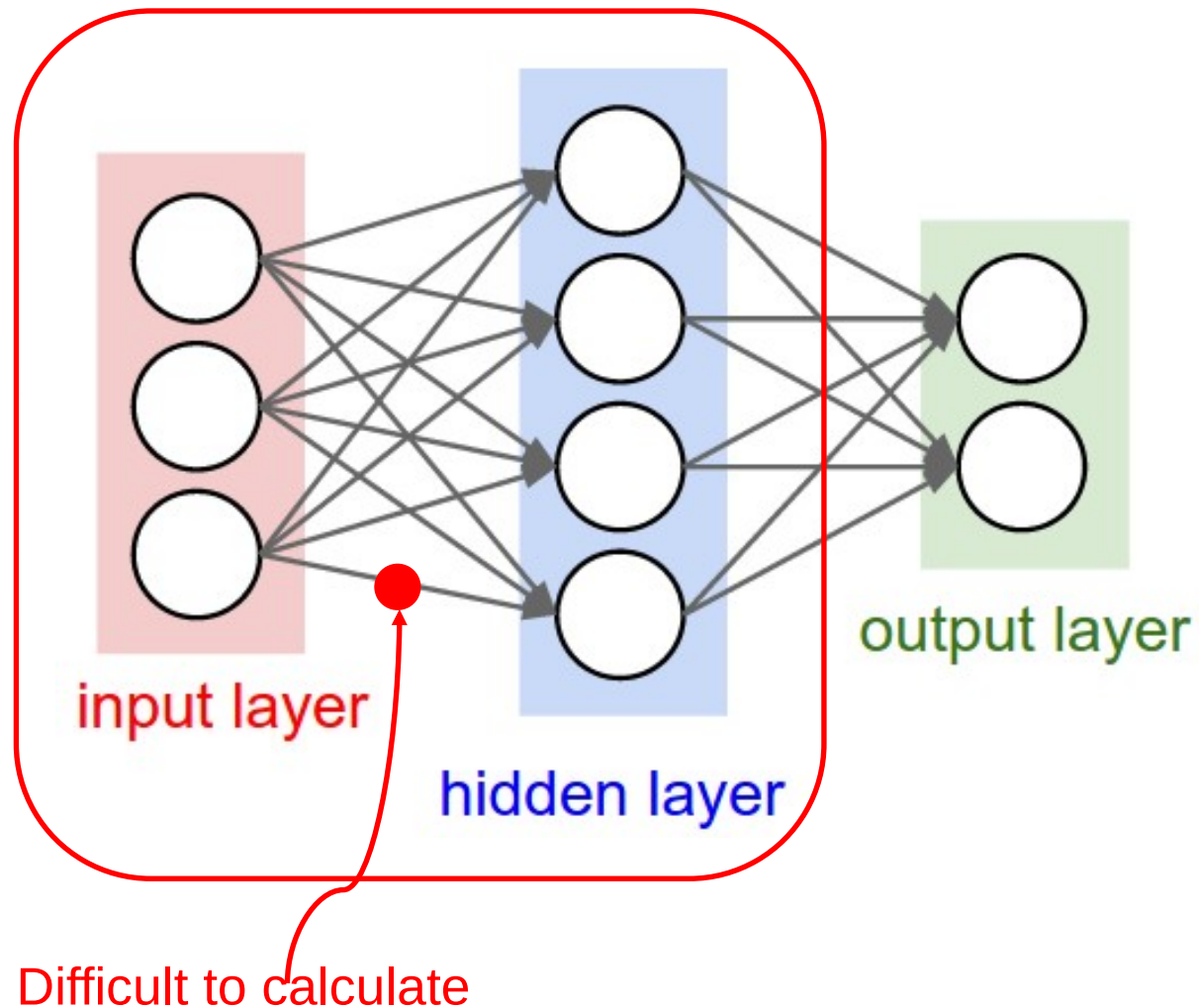
$$\Delta w_i = \eta \times \sum_{d \in D} (y^{(d)} - \hat{y}^{(d)}) \times (-x_i)$$

# Learning on Multi-Layer Perceptron

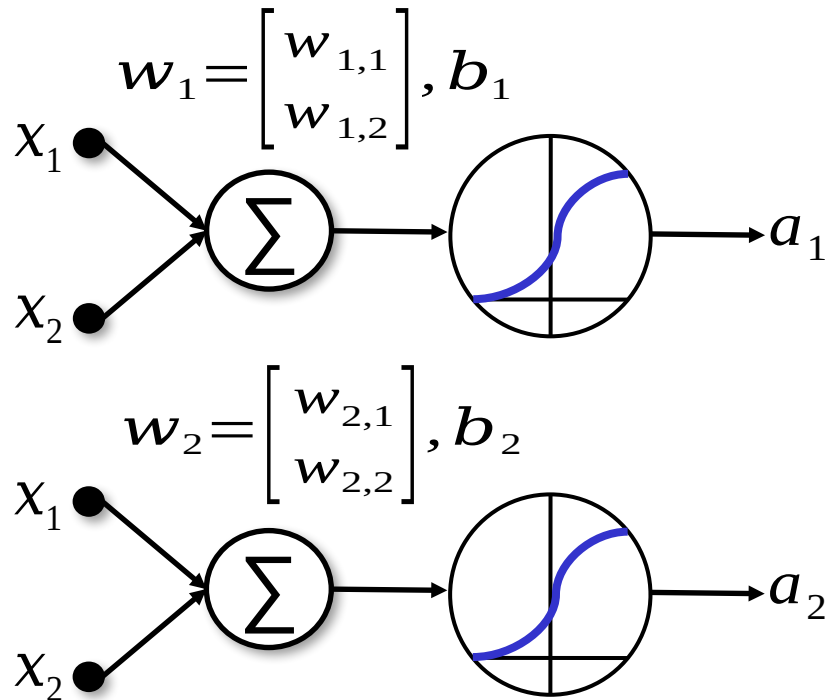


$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial \mathbf{w}_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{w}_i} \frac{1}{2} \sum_d \left( \mathbf{y}^{(d)} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}^{(d)} \right)^2$$

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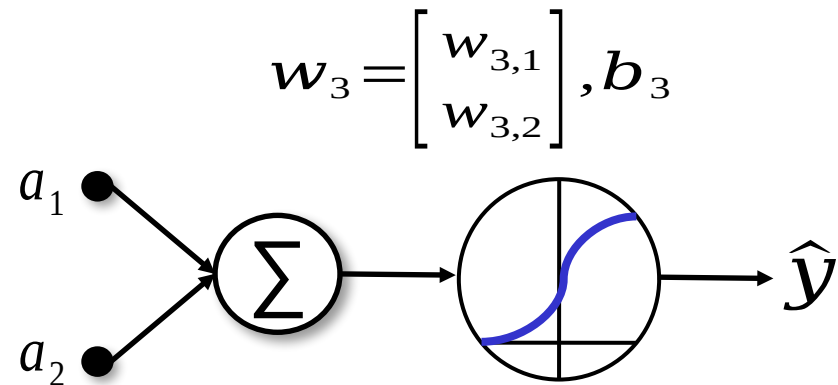


# Backpropagation with Multi-Layer Perceptron



Chain Rule:

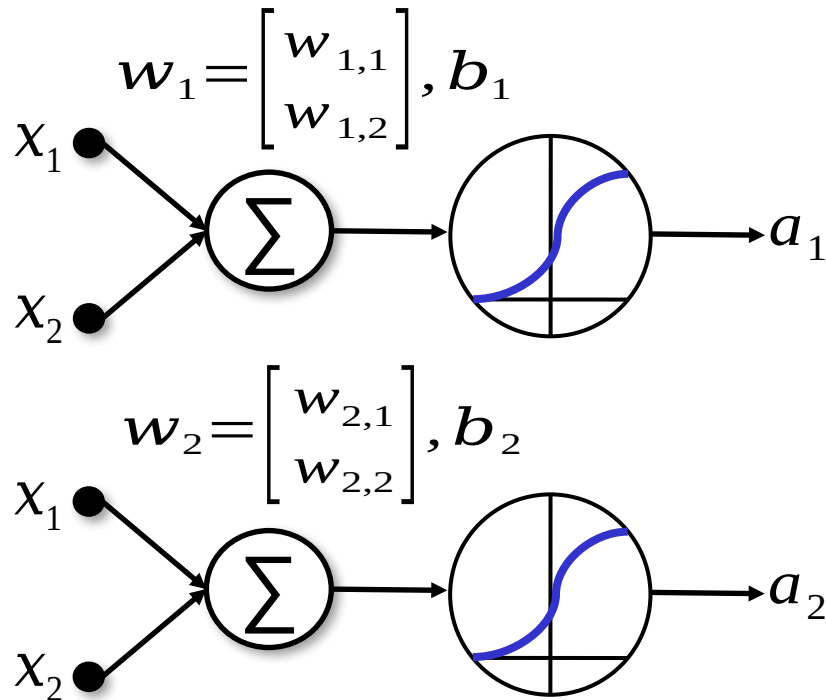
$$\frac{\delta z}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta z}{\delta y} * \frac{\delta y}{\delta x}$$



Gradient Descent:

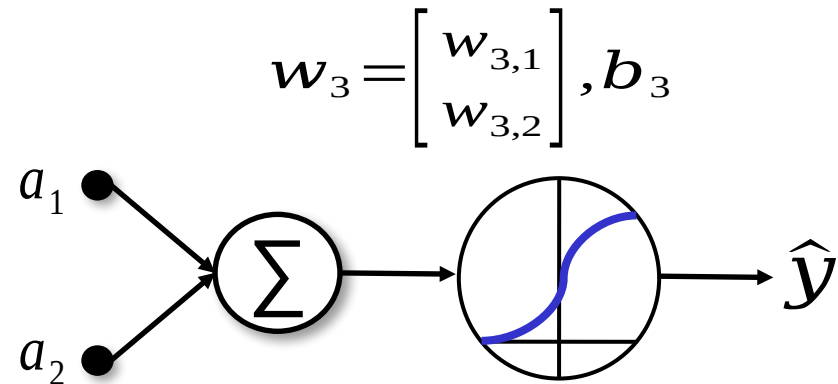
$$\frac{\delta E}{\delta w_i} = \frac{\delta}{\delta w_i} \frac{1}{2} (y - \hat{y})^2$$

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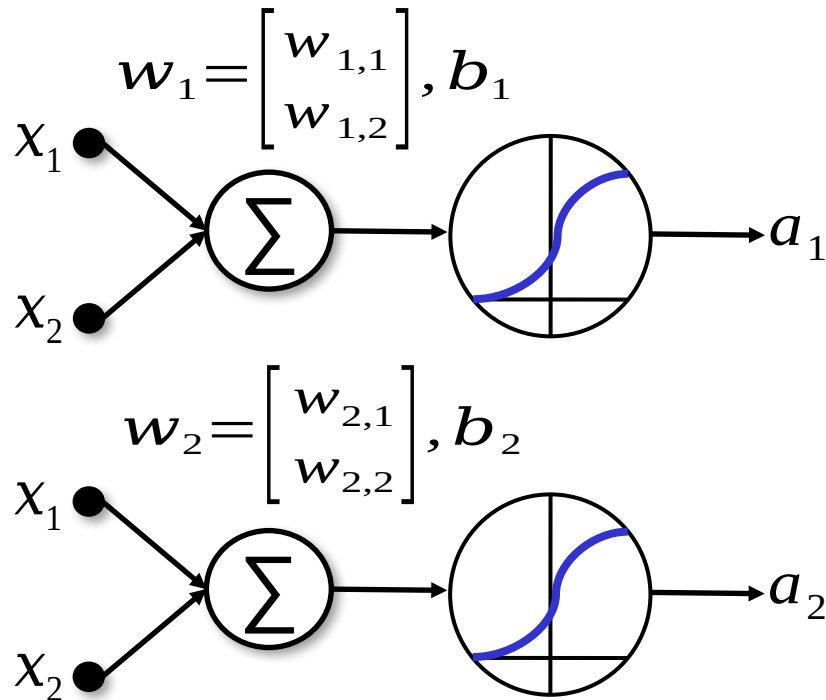


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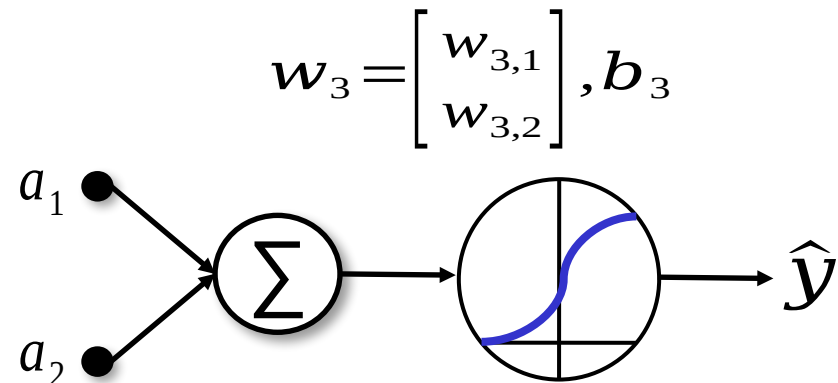
$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \hat{y}} \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i} = -(y - \hat{y}) \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i}$$

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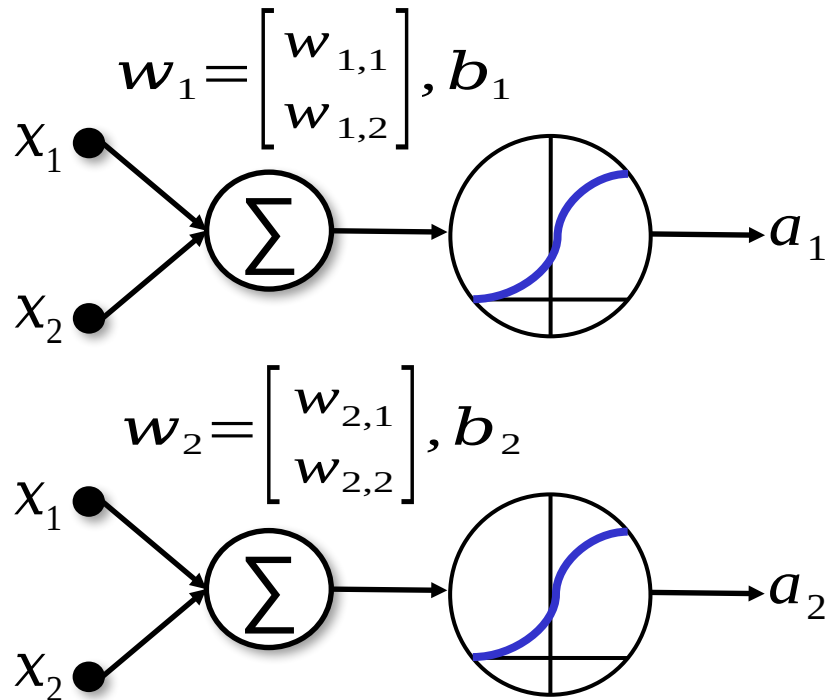
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$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \text{sigmoid}(w_3^T y + b_3)$$

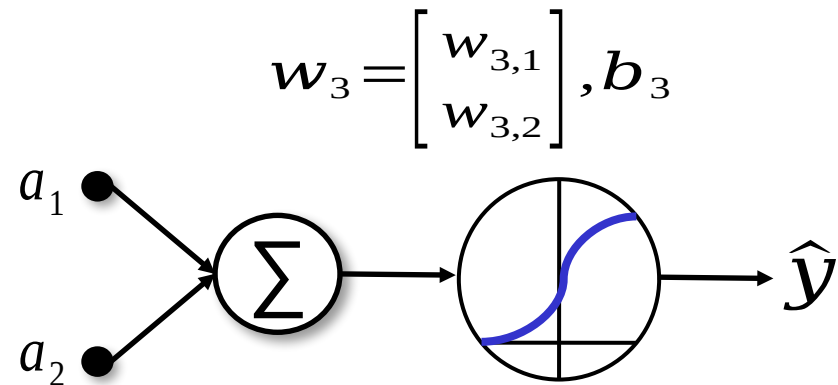
# Backpropagation with Multi-Layer Perceptron



Chain Rule:

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} * \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \text{sigmoid}(x) = \text{sigmoid}(x) * (1 - \text{sigmoid}(x))$$



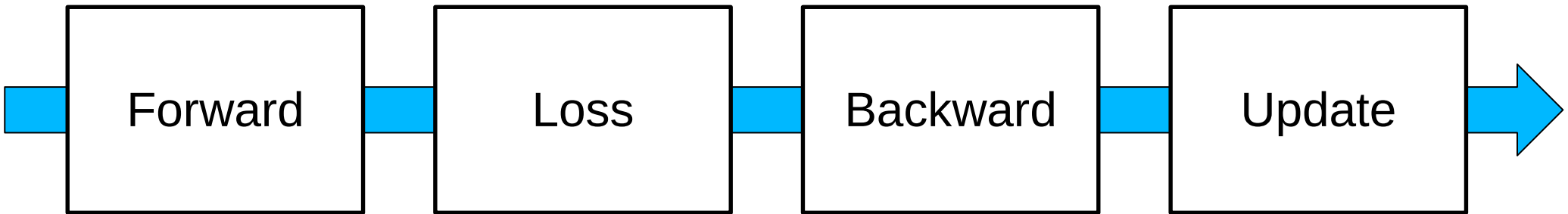
Gradient Descent:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial \hat{y}} \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i} = -(y - \hat{y}) \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i}$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} \text{sigmoid}(w_3^T y + b_3)$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial w_i} = \text{sigmoid}(w_3^T y + b_3) * (1 - \text{sigmoid}(w_3^T y + b_3)) * \frac{\partial}{\partial w_i} (w_3^T y + b_3)$$

# Learning Process



Easy using modern Deep Learning Frameworks, e.g. Pytorch

```
y_pred = model(x_data) # 1. forward  
loss = criterion(y_pred, y_data) # 2. loss  
loss.backward() # 3. backward  
optimizer.step() # 4. update
```



# Summary

- We learned what a **perceptron** and **multilayer perceptron** is
- We have some intuition about using **gradient descent** on an error function
- We know a learning **delta rule for updating weights** in order to minimize the error:
- We know **activation function** for non-linearity
- We can use this rule to learn an MLP using the **backpropagation** algorithm