



Tutorial 3

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Overview

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- Computation graphs and Forward pass
- Backward pass
- Gradient descent
- Practice: Chain rule + Product rule
- Practice: Chain rule and Product rule in computational graphs
- Application of Partial Derivatives in Machine Learning
 - Revisiting the update rule
- Practice: Derivatives (Optional)

Exercise overview



Part 1

1 Vectors & Matrices

1.1 Dot Product

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 2 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculate the dot products:

1. $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
2. $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{y}$
3. $\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}$
4. $\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x}$



Part 1

1.2 Matrix Multiplication

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 8 & 9 \\ 9 & 3 & 2 \\ 8 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 8 \\ 7 & 2 \\ 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 6 & 2 \\ 8 & 1 \\ 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculate if possible:

1. $\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{X}$
2. $\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{a}$
3. $\mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y}$
4. $\mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y}^T$



Part 2

2 Computational Graphs

2.1 Drawing a Computational Graph

Draw the computational graph for

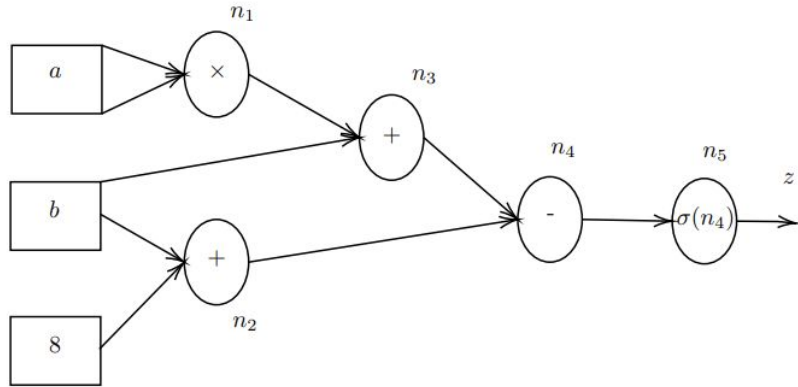
$$z = \sigma(3 + (y + 5x))$$

where σ = sigmoid activation function applied as a single step (i.e. a single node in the graph).

Part 2

2.2 Analyzing Computational Graphs and Performing Calculations

1. Observe the computational graph below. Write its function expression z .



Part 2

2. Given that $a = 3$ and $b = 5$, perform the forward pass (hint: calculate from n_1 to n_5 , and then z).

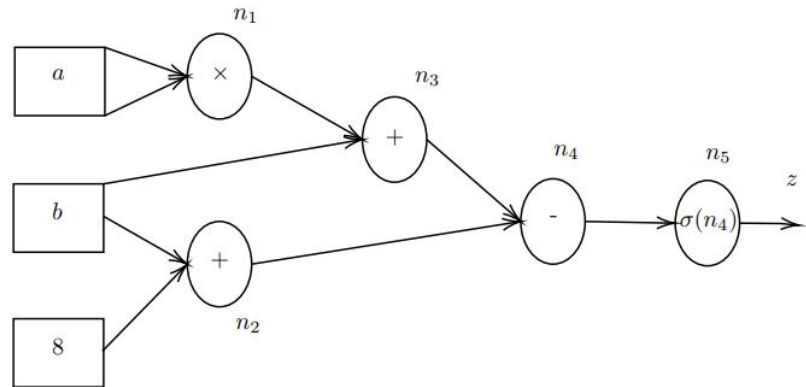
3. Given that $a = 3$ and $b = 5$, calculate the following derivatives:

(a) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial n_4}$

(b) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial n_3}$

(c) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial a}$

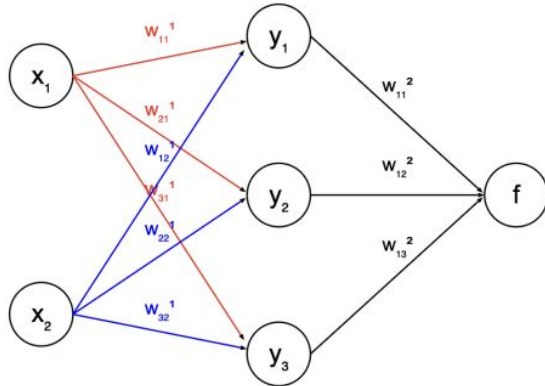
(d) $\frac{\partial z}{\partial b}$



Part 3

3 Feed Forward Networks

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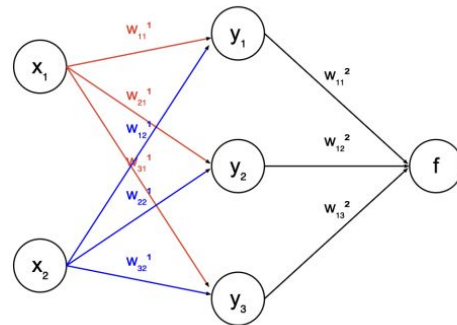
Make sure that you get a dimensionality that WORKS!

Dimensionality: $m \times n$
 m : number of rows
 n : number of columns

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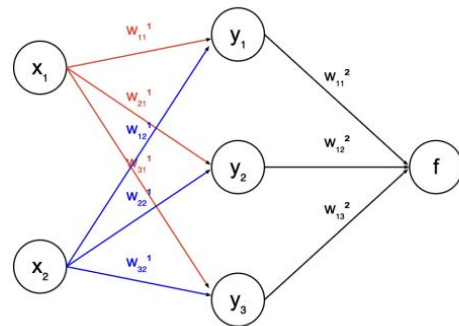
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Pay attention to the shape for Q1-Q3
Incorrect shape = wrong
If you have questions, ask us
(contact via olat/forum)

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You get the same graph for the current page on top just for your convenience

If the colors are difficult to read (you printed the exercises in B/W, etc.), read these:

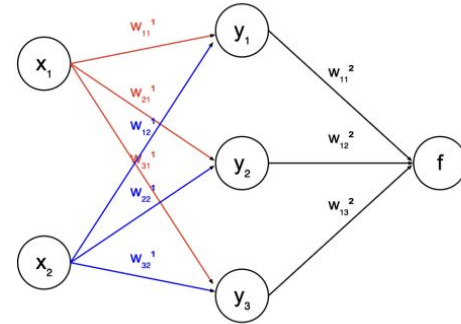
- Express the neural network's output as a function f , using the individual weights $w_{ij}^{[l]}$ and input components x_i .

$w_{11}^{[1]}$, $w_{21}^{[1]}$, and $w_{31}^{[1]}$ are the weights from x_1 to y_1 , y_2 , and y_3 respectively. Similarly, $w_{12}^{[1]}$, $w_{22}^{[1]}$, and $w_{32}^{[1]}$ are the weights from x_2 to y_1 , y_2 , and y_3 .

Your expression should show how the output is computed through each network layer.

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Part 3

5. Using values above, express \mathbf{x} , $\mathbf{W}^{[1]}$, and $\mathbf{W}^{[2]}$ in matrix or vector form.

6. Compute the forward pass.

You can use the same approach as in Q2.2, or other efficient methods, but ensure you detail how you arrive at the final output value.

7. Compute $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w_{32}^{[1]}}$. Note that $\sigma'(x) = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$.

Use insights from your expression in 4 to guide your calculation. Show your work, including any application of the chain rule or other relevant calculus concepts.

$$x_1 = 1 \quad x_2 = -1$$

$$w_{11}^{[1]} = 1 \quad w_{12}^{[1]} = 0$$

$$w_{21}^{[1]} = 0 \quad w_{22}^{[1]} = 1$$

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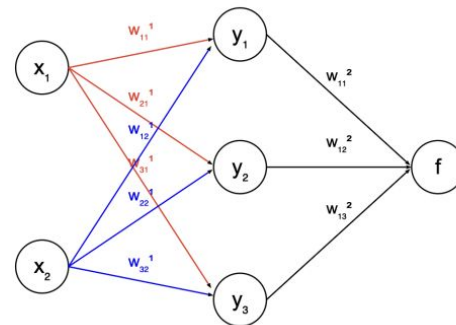
$$w_{11}^{[2]} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$w_{12}^{[2]} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$w_{13}^{[2]} = \frac{5}{2}$$

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Part 4

4.1 Linear Activation Function

For the above neural network, We include a bias $b = 1$ for each neuron in the hidden layer, and we define the activation function as $f(z) = 2x$.

1. Express the two weight matrices \mathbf{W}_1 , \mathbf{W}_2 .

Same, pay attention to the shape!!!

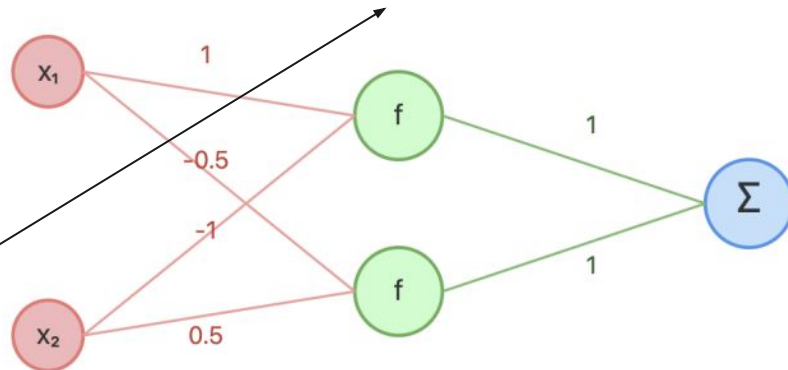
2. Write all possible inputs x_1 , x_2 , and the output y of the XOR problem.

You can find the truth table in the lecture or tutorial slides.

3. Perform the forward pass for **just one** pair of XOR inputs.
Show your work, include all steps to arrive at the final output.

4. Perform the forward pass for the rest of the pairs on your own and answer:
Does the current neural network solve the problem?
☐ Yes ☐ No
5. If you remove the bias, would this solve the problem?
☐ Yes ☐ No

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Part 4

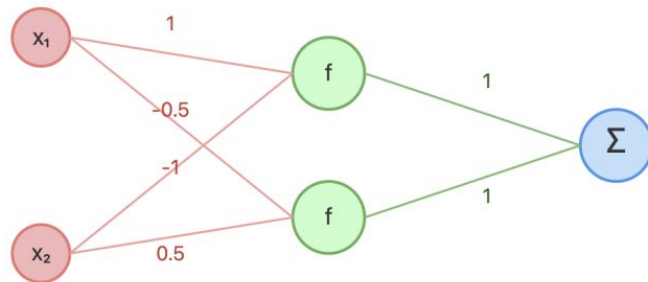
4.2 Nonlinear Activation Function

Now we remove the bias and the previous activation function. Instead, we use the Heaviside step activation function (also called the unit step function):

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z \leq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } z > 0 \end{cases}$$

1. Perform the forward pass again for **all** XOR input pairs.
For each pair, show the values for both neurons in the hidden layer, and show how these values lead to the final output.
2. Does the new activation function solve the problem? If yes, what makes the difference? If no, why does it fail? Explain in your own words (maximum 2 sentences).

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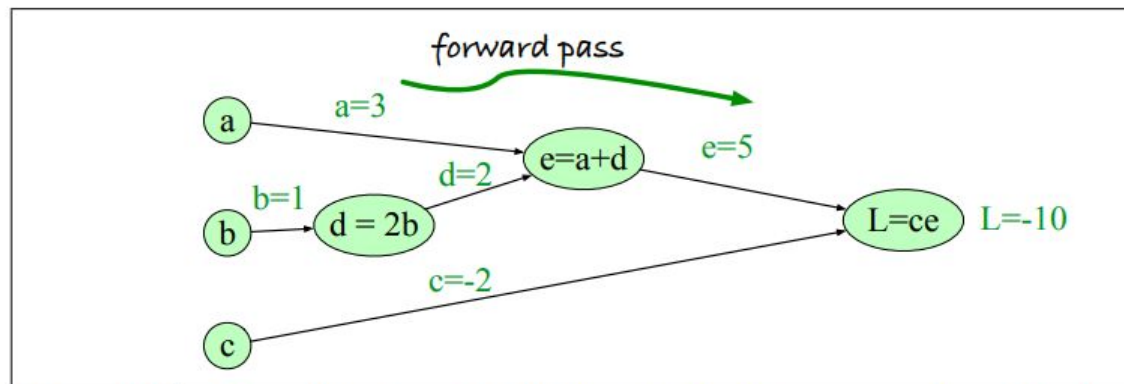


Questions?

- Start as early as possible
- If you have questions, please ask as early as possible!
- Team up with someone
 - Need a teammate? There is a forum thread for exercises!
 - Or you can come to us after class, give us your name and we can try to assign you in pairs.

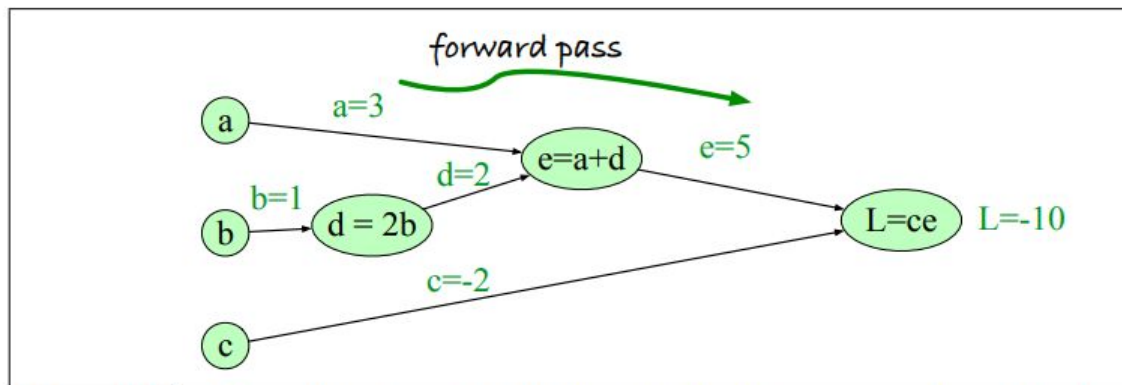
Computation Graphs & Forward Pass

Computation Graphs



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Can you write the function expression of this graph?



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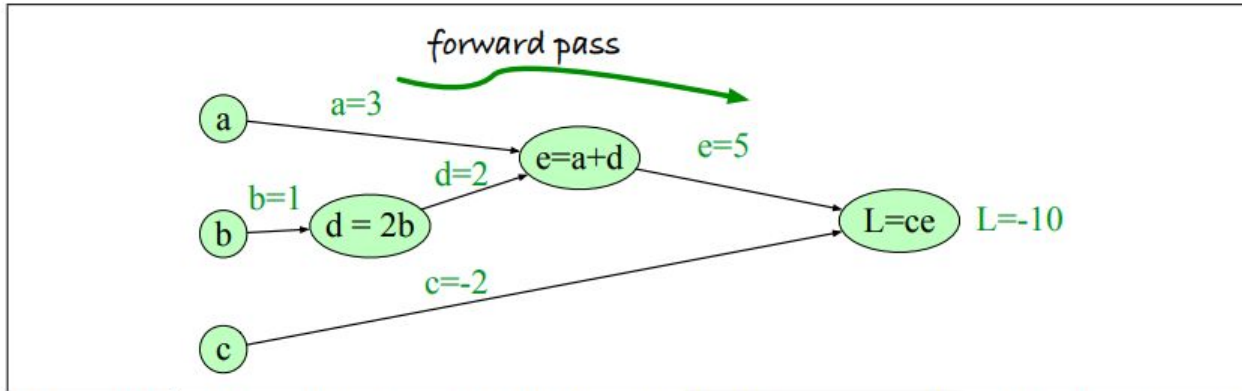


Figure 7.12 Computation graph for the function $L(a, b, c) = c(a + 2b)$, with values for input nodes $a = 3$, $b = 1$, $c = -2$, showing the forward pass computation of L .



Computation Graphs

- **Forward pass:** the path your network goes through to make a prediction.
- How do we “tell” it whether it’s right or wrong? How do we “teach” the network?

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E.g.: **Cross Entropy:**

- Measures the difference between predicted probabilities and correct classes
- The lower — the better

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Controlled by the **learning rate**.



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The **gradient** computes which direction you should move in, and the **learning rate** helps to control how fast (by how much) you move.



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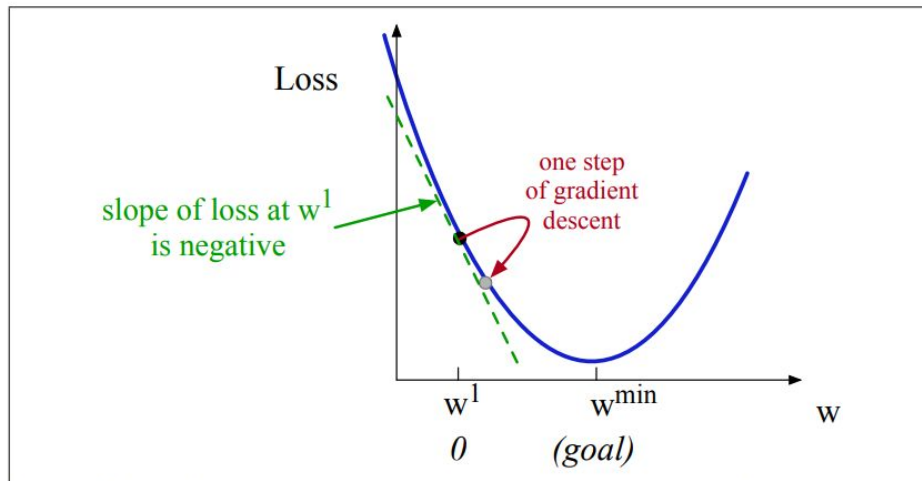


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$$w_{new} = w_{old} - \gamma \frac{\partial L_{CE}}{\partial w_{old}}$$

$$w^{t+1} = w^t - \eta \frac{d}{dw} L(f(x; w), y)$$

Formulae from lecture slides,
<https://web.stanford.edu/~jurafsky/slp3/5.pdf>

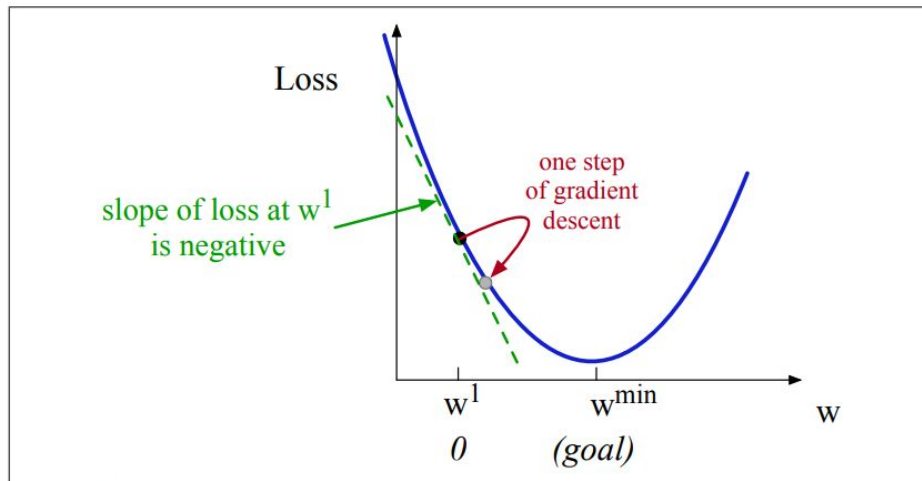
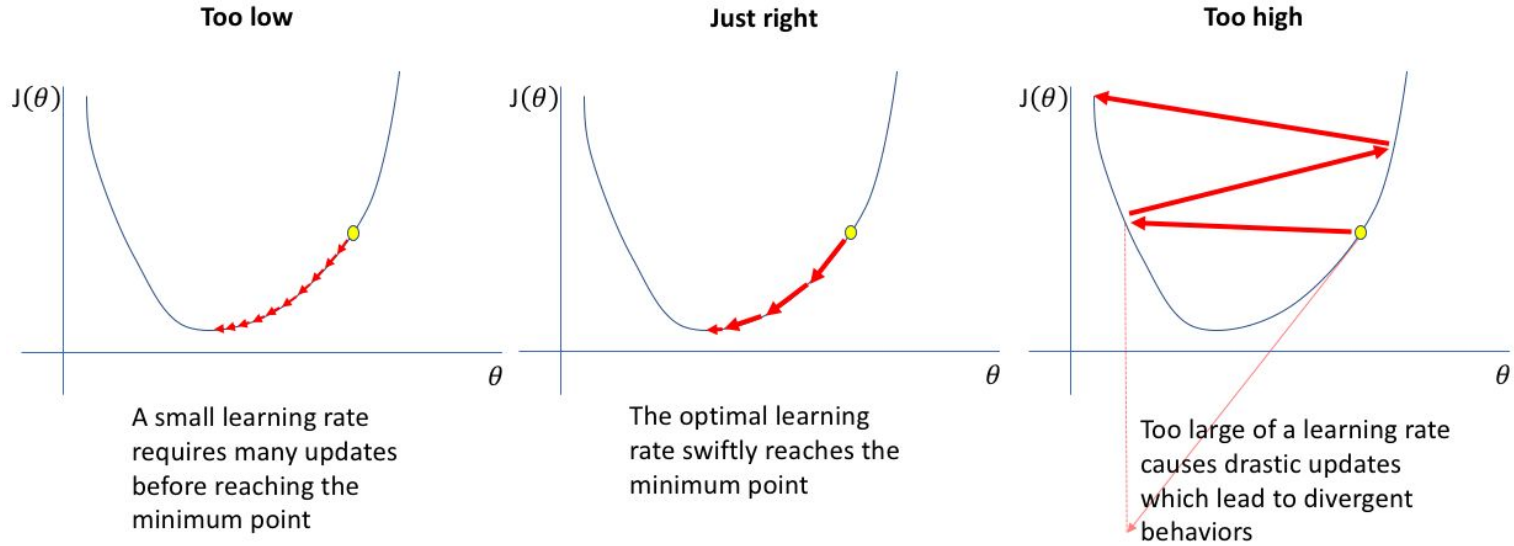


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Learning Rate





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- Faster than GD but not as fast as SGD

- Uses less memory than GD but more than SGD

- Good for parallel computing (speed)

- Requires tuning of batch size

Derivatives: theory and practices



Recap: Basic Rules

Common Functions	Function	Derivative
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Recap: More Rules



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Sum Rule	$f + g$	$f' + g'$
Difference Rule	$f - g$	$f' - g'$
<u>Product Rule</u>	fg	$f g' + f' g$
Chain Rule (as " <u>Composition of Functions</u> ").	$f \circ g$	$(f' \circ g) \times g'$
Chain Rule (using ')	$f(g(x))$	$f'(g(x))g'(x)$
Chain Rule (using $\frac{d}{dx}$)		$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$



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inside function

$$(ii) y = f(u) \text{ and } u = g(x)$$

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Derivative Exercise: 1/4

$$y = e^{3x^4+2x+6}$$

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Derivative Exercise: 2/4

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Derivative Exercise: 3/4

How to apply (ii) to the following formula?

$$y = (3x - 2)^2 + 1$$

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Recap: Product Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(x)g(x)] = f(x)g'(x) + f'(x)g(x)$$



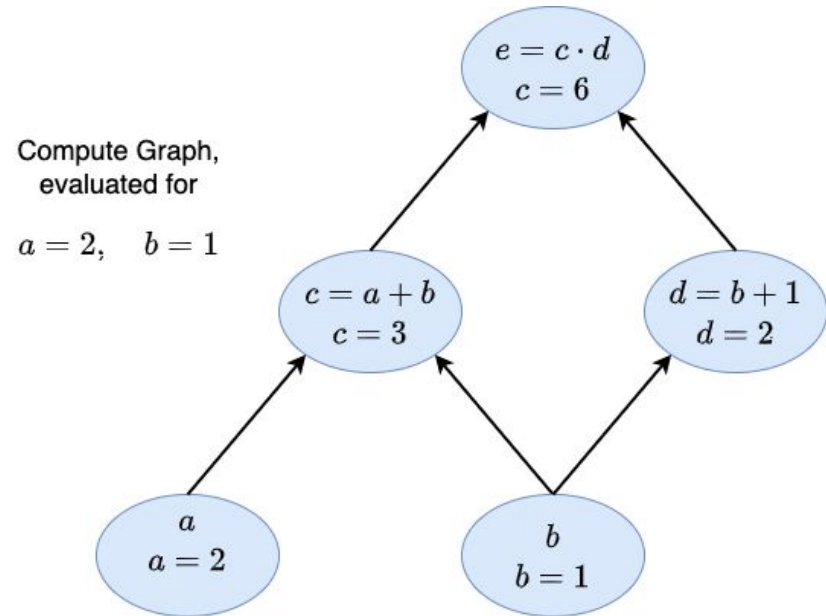
Derivative Exercise: 4/4

$$f(x) = (x^3 + 3)^3 \cdot (2x - 2)^5$$

Application in Computational Graphs

Derivatives and Computational Graphs

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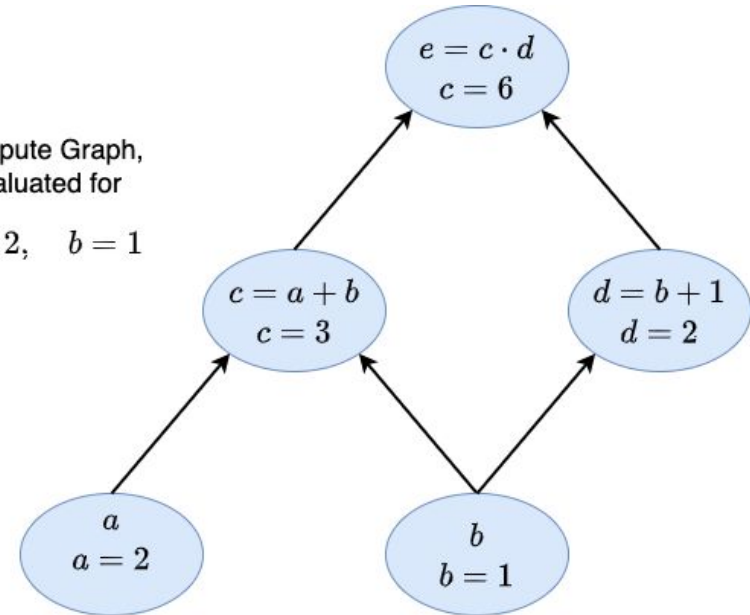
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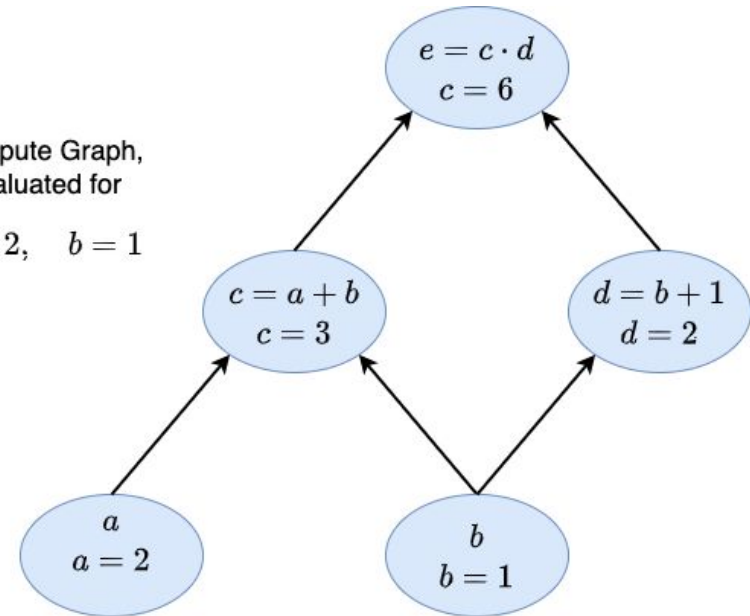
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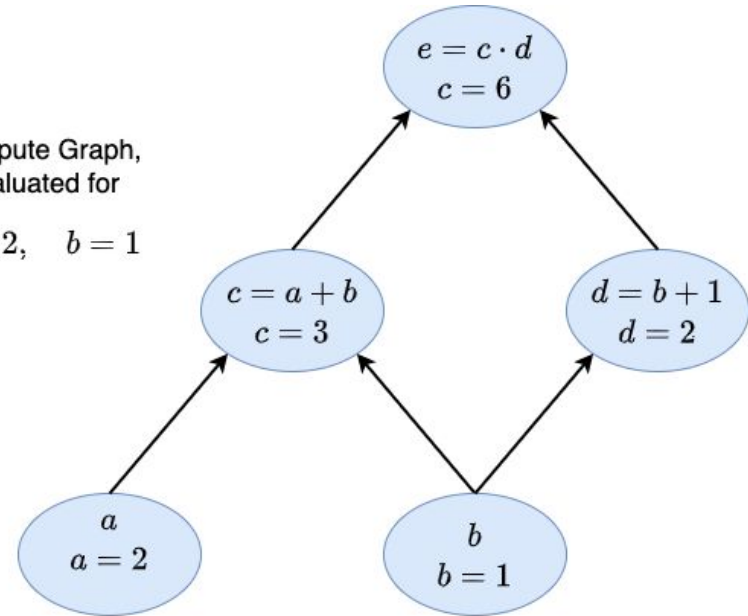
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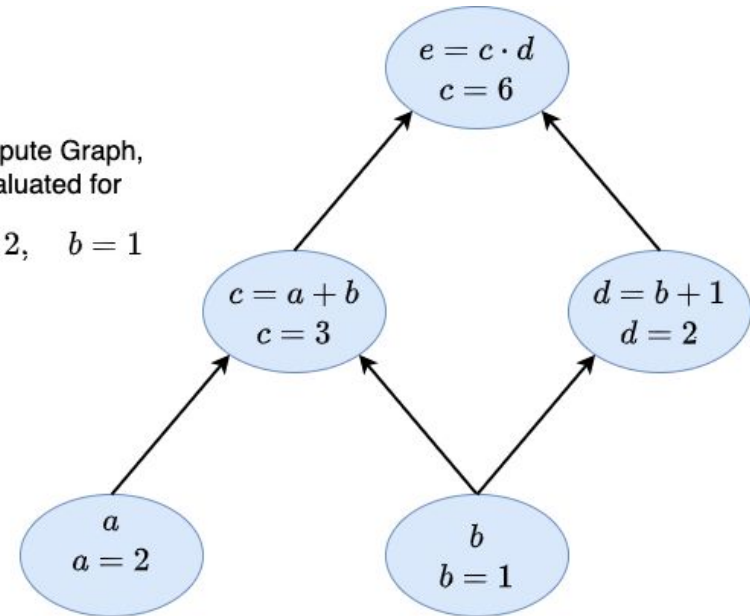
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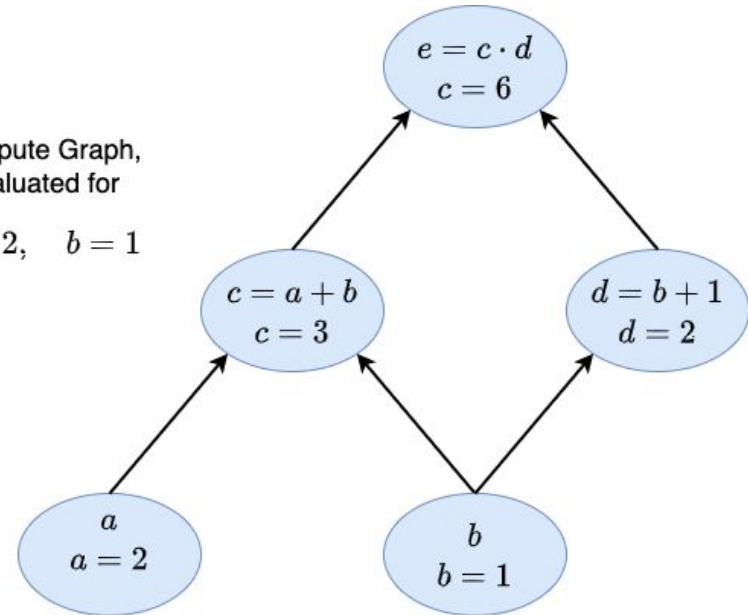
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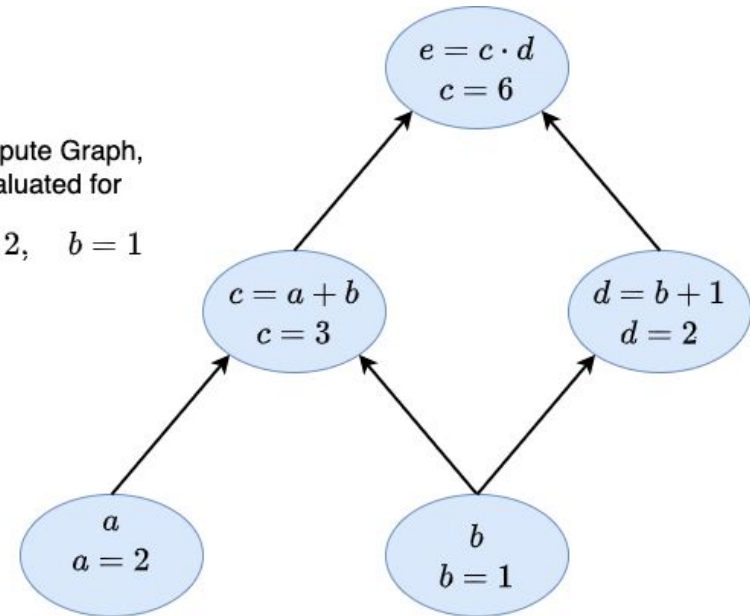
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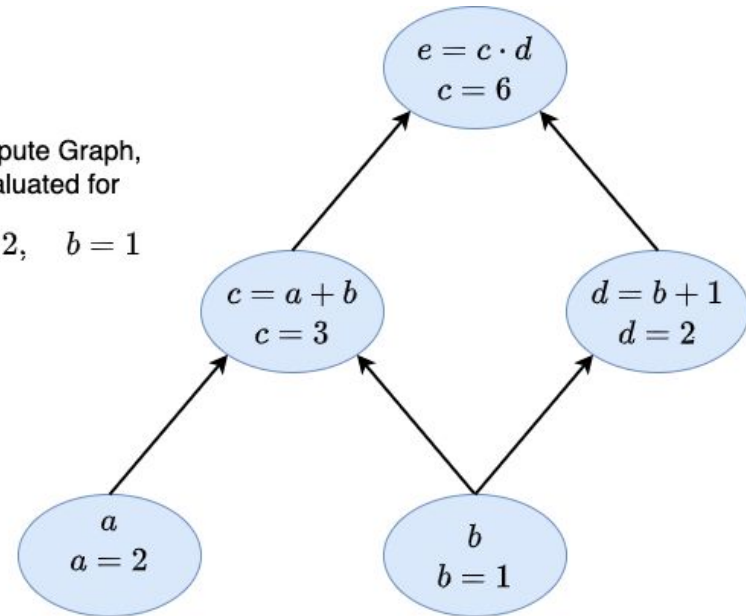
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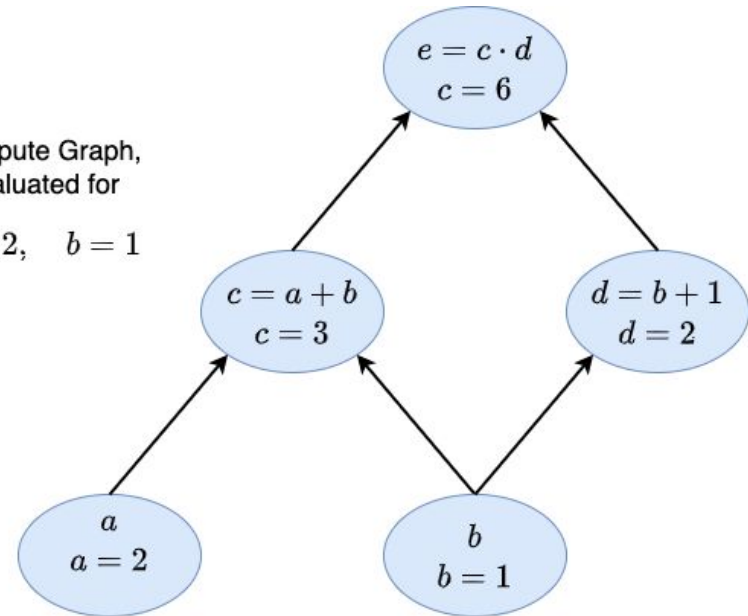
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Application of partial derivatives in ML



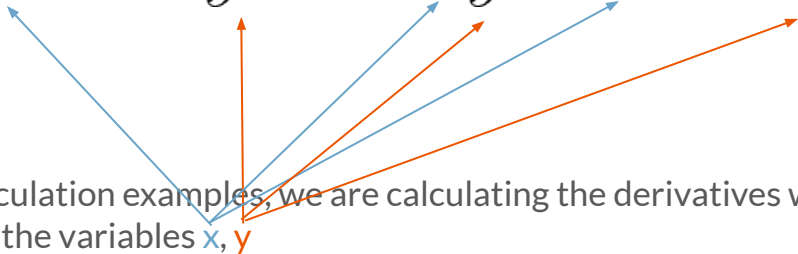
Partial Derivatives Exercise 1/1

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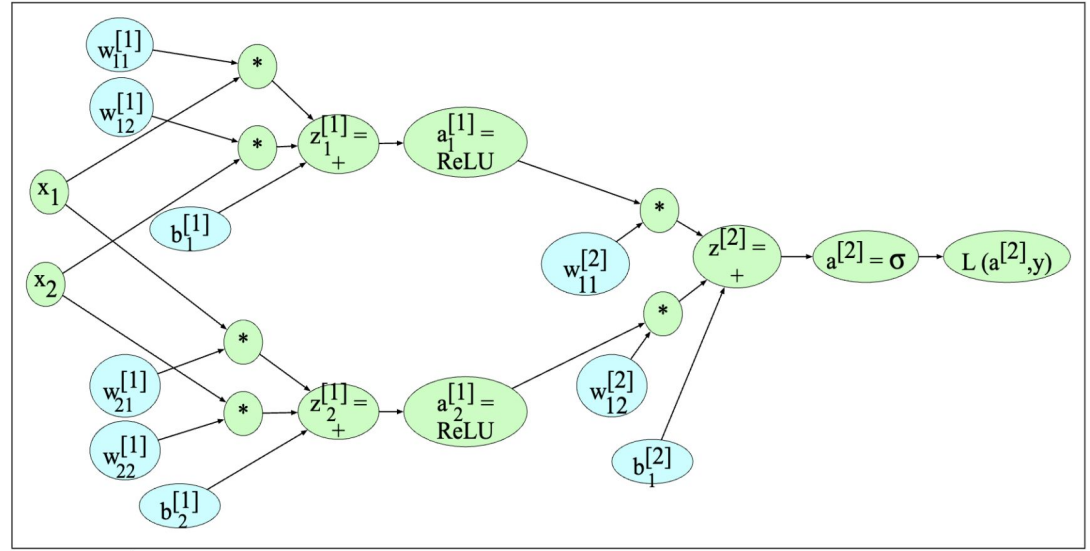
Partial Derivatives: from Math to ML

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Partial Derivatives: from Math to ML



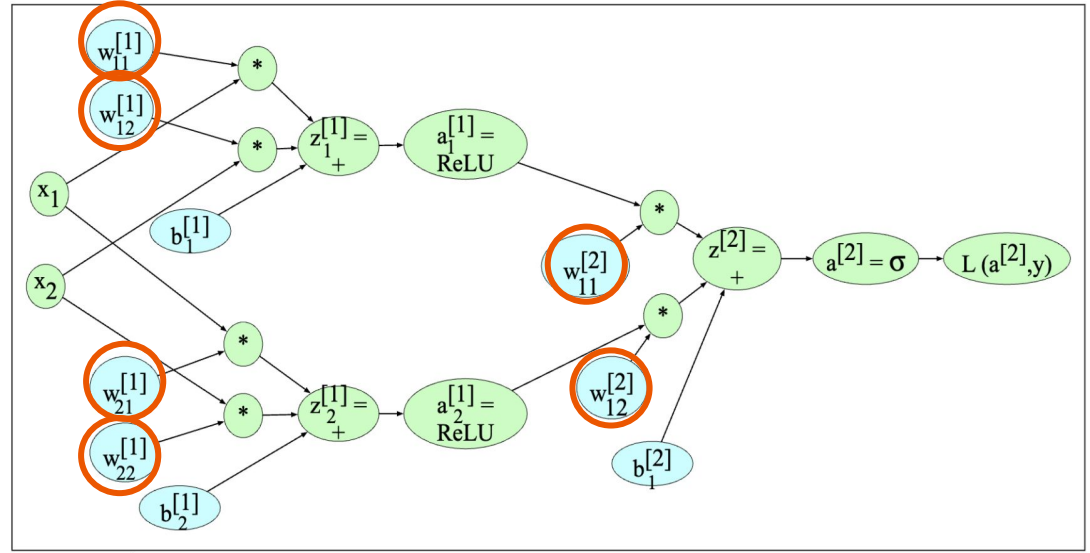
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Note: there is no correlation between this formula and the graph above. It's just for illustration purpose!

Partial Derivatives: from Math to ML

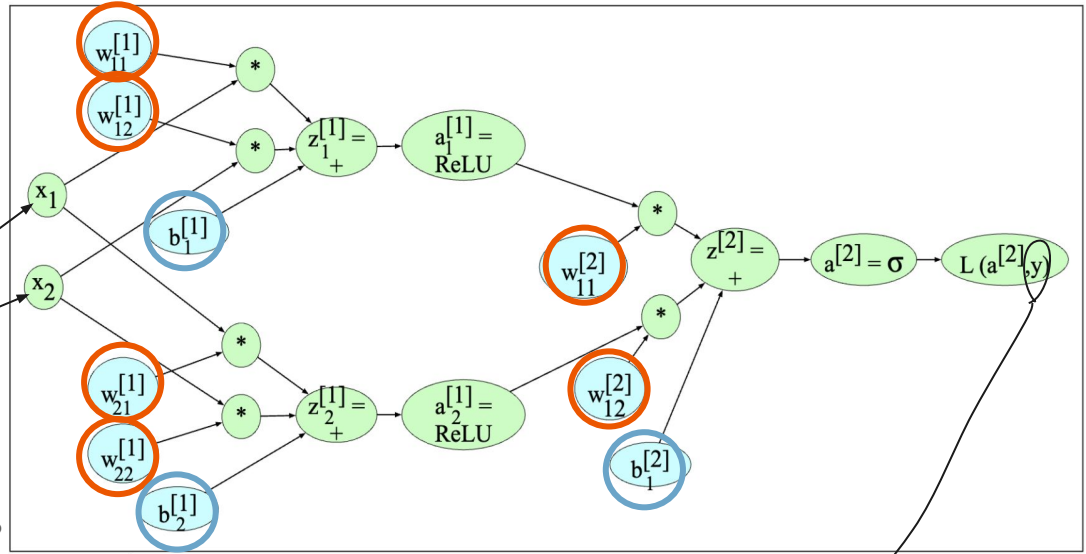


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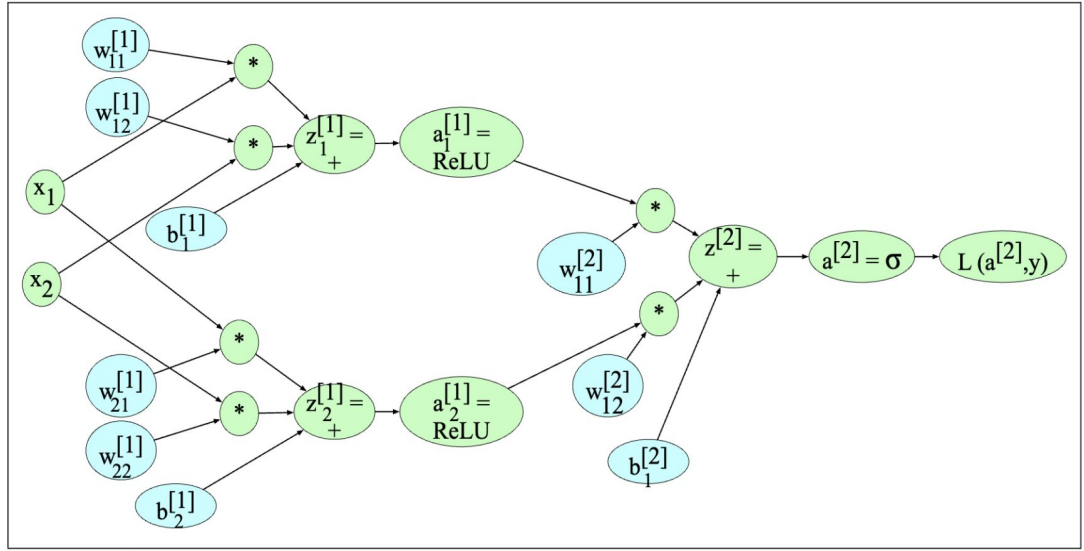
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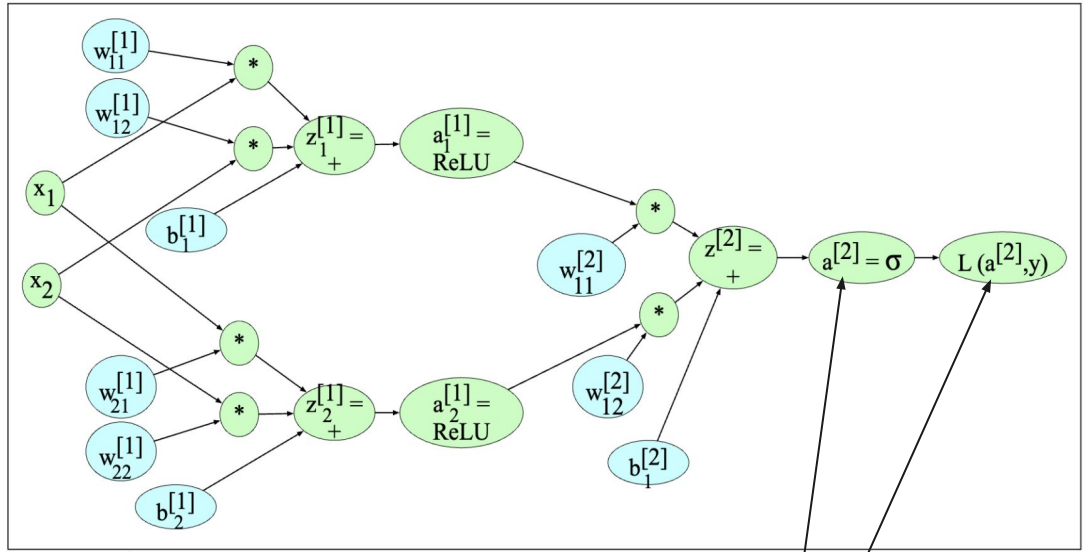
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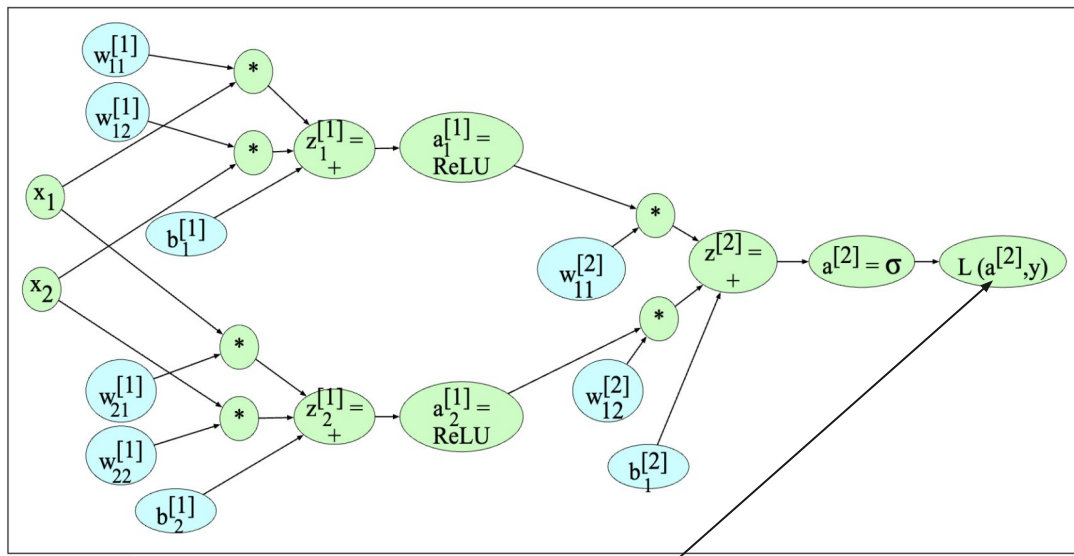


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This $a^{[2]}$ can also be written as the predicted value \hat{y}

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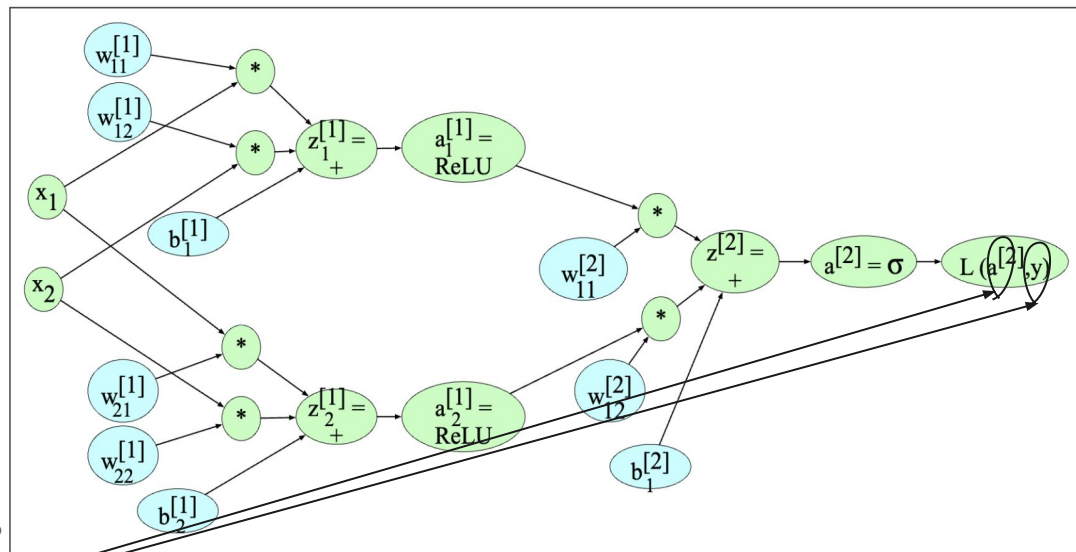
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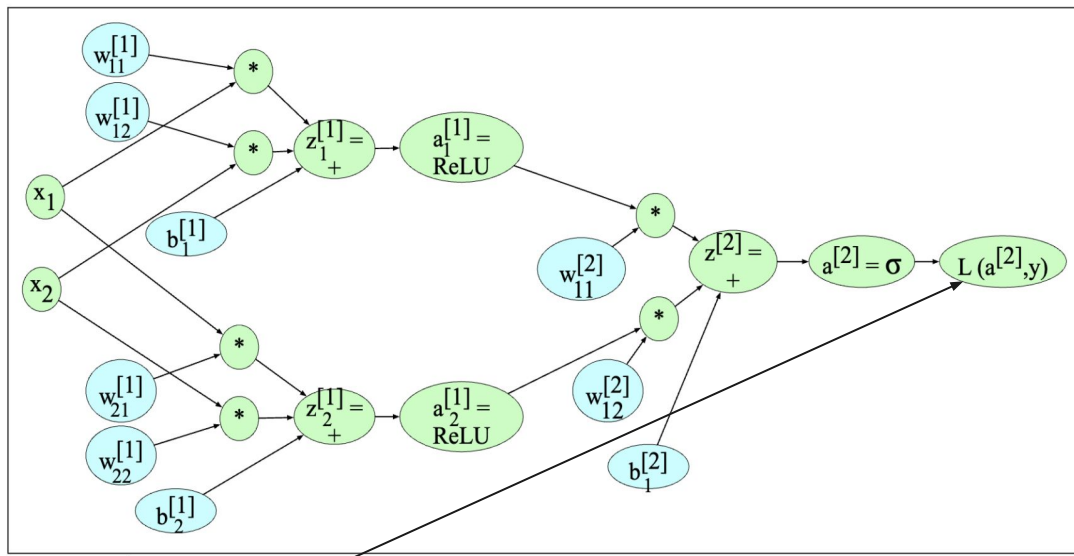
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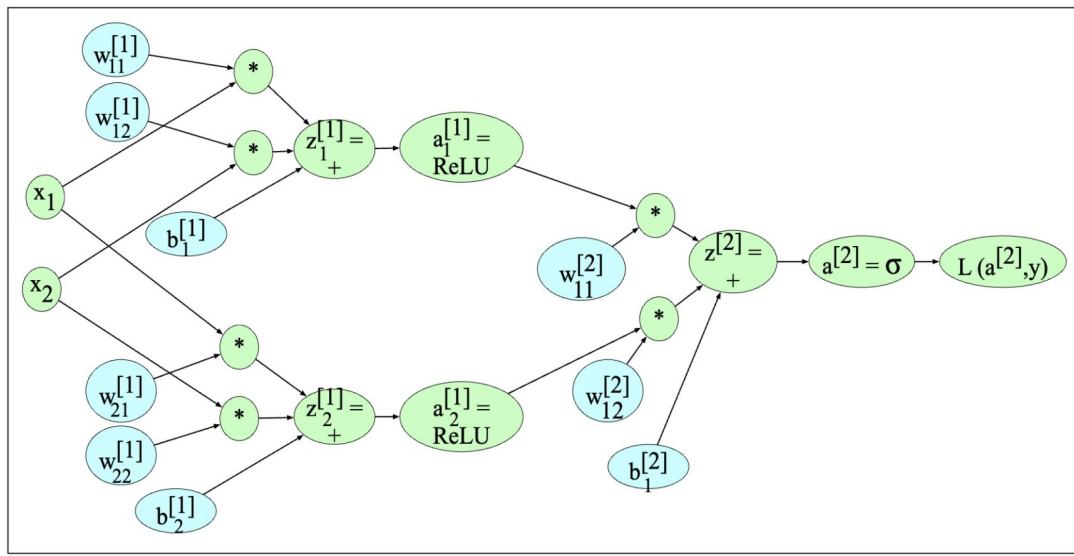


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 - Loss function!
 - Suppose your \hat{y} (or $a^{[2]}$) is 0.886, your y is 0
 - You use a binary cross entropy loss
 - You get some number (2.2)
 - This is your loss!

$$L_{CE}(a^{[2]}, y) = -[y \log a^{[2]} + (1 - y) \log(1 - a^{[2]})]$$

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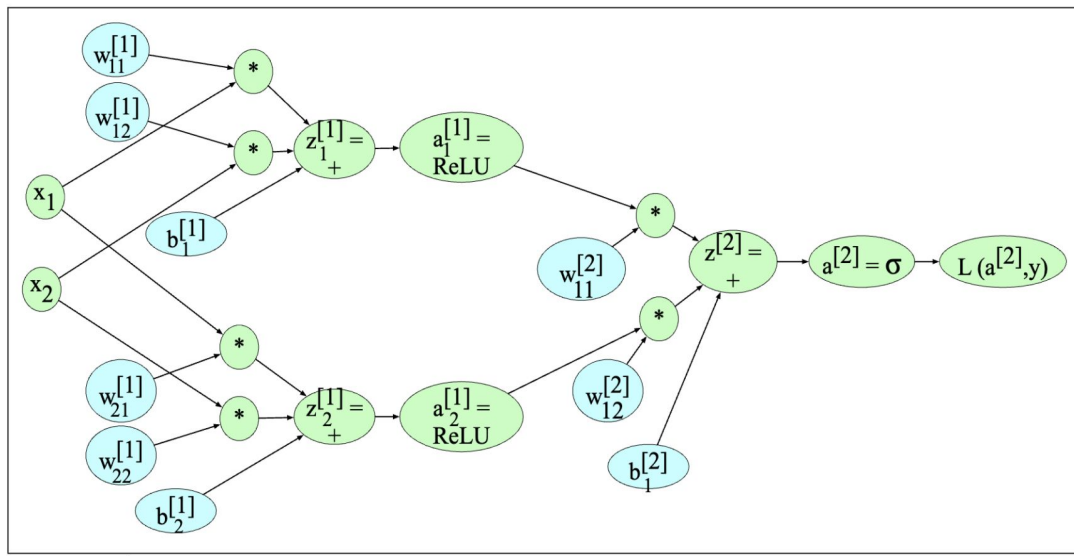
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More specific (expand $a^{[2]}$ as a function of ?)

Q: how to expand

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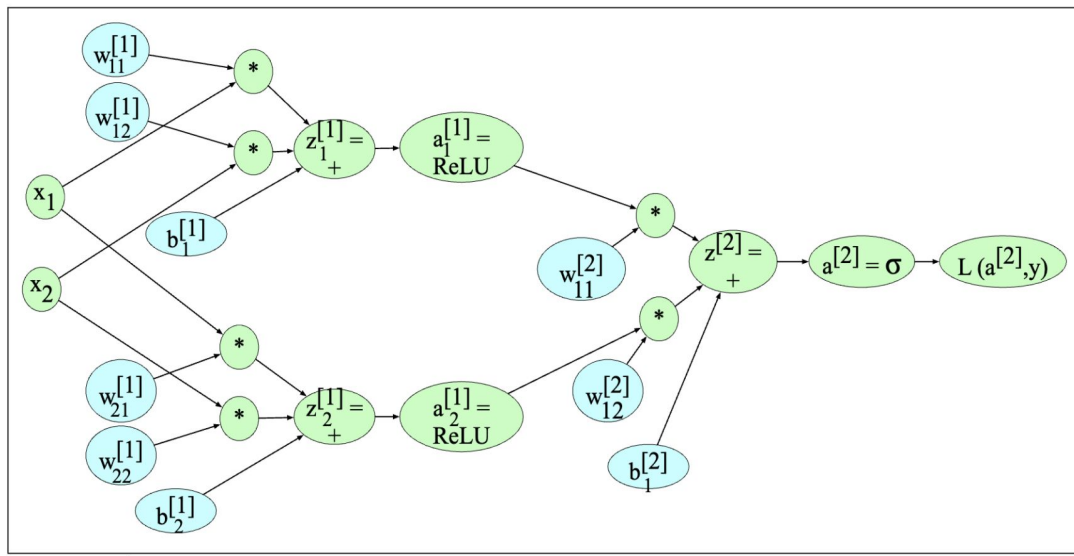
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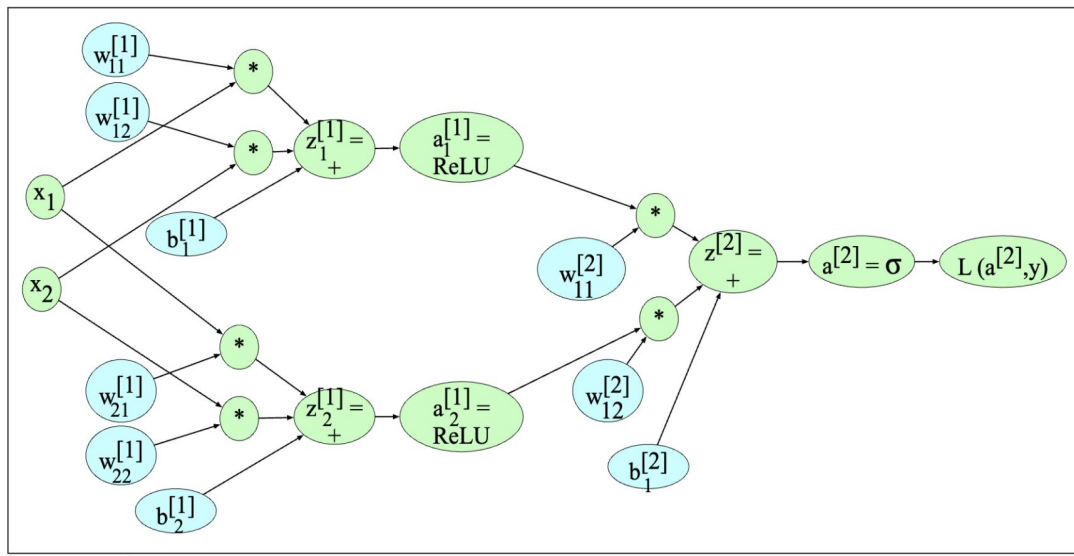
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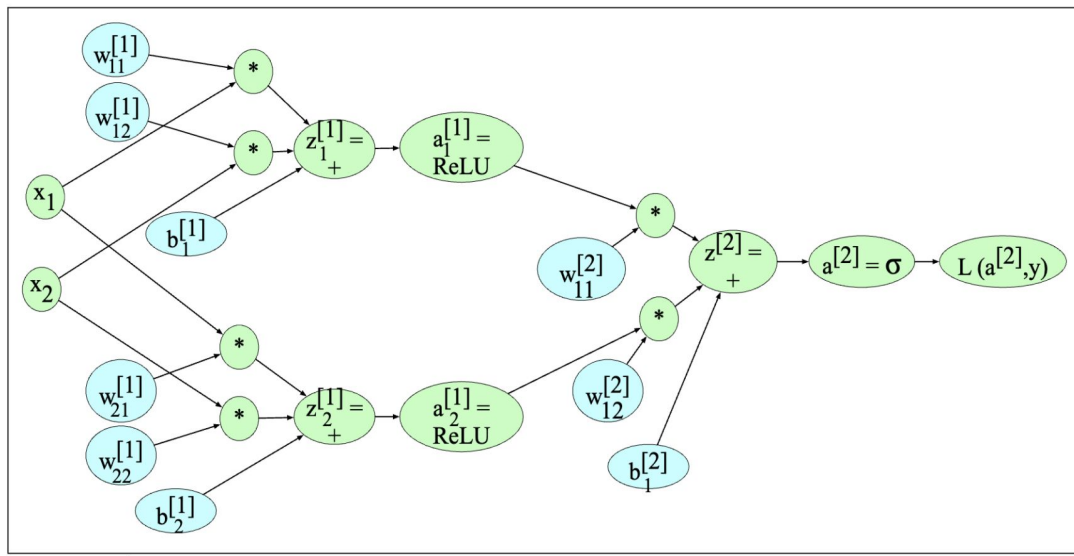
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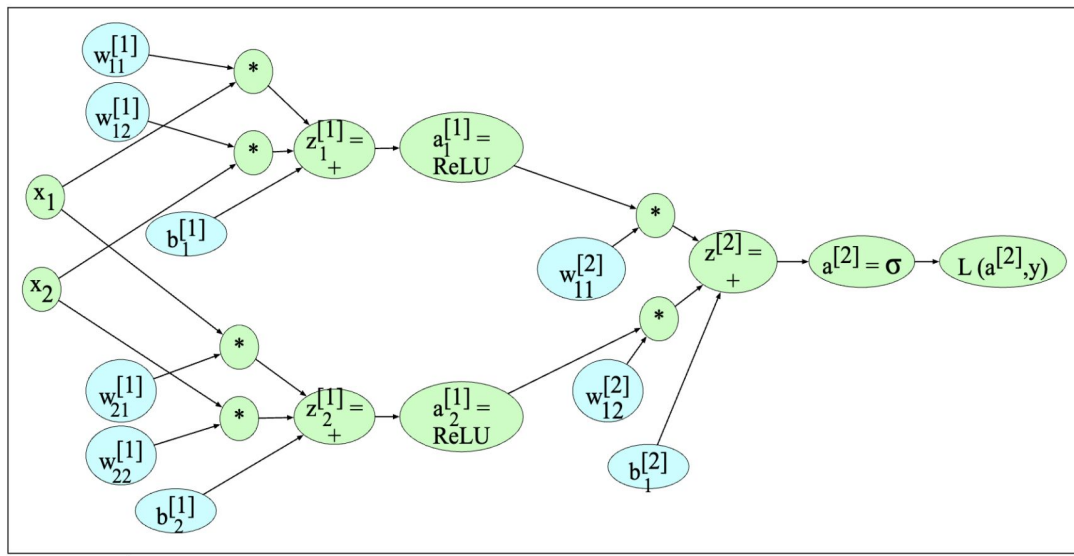
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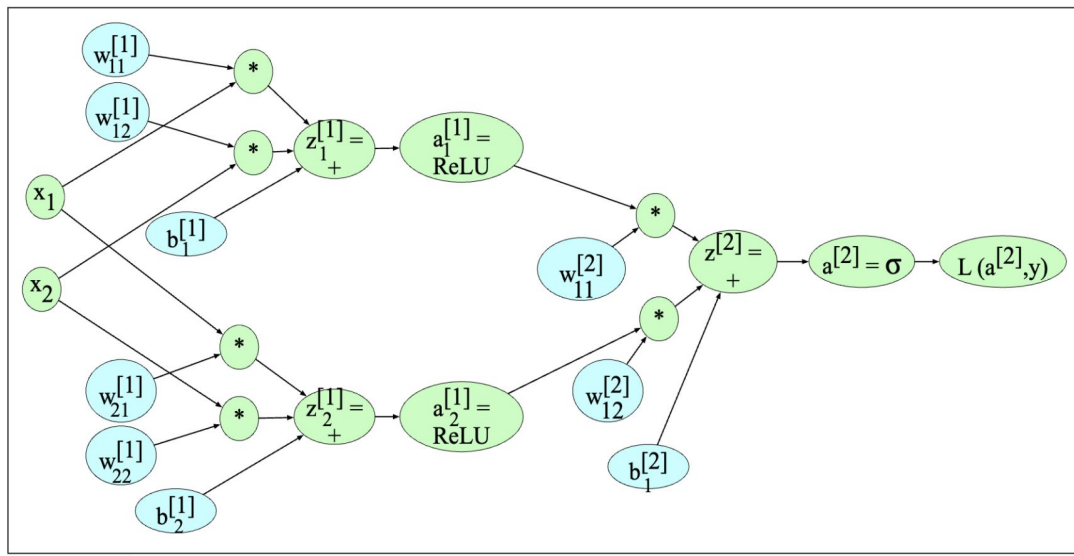
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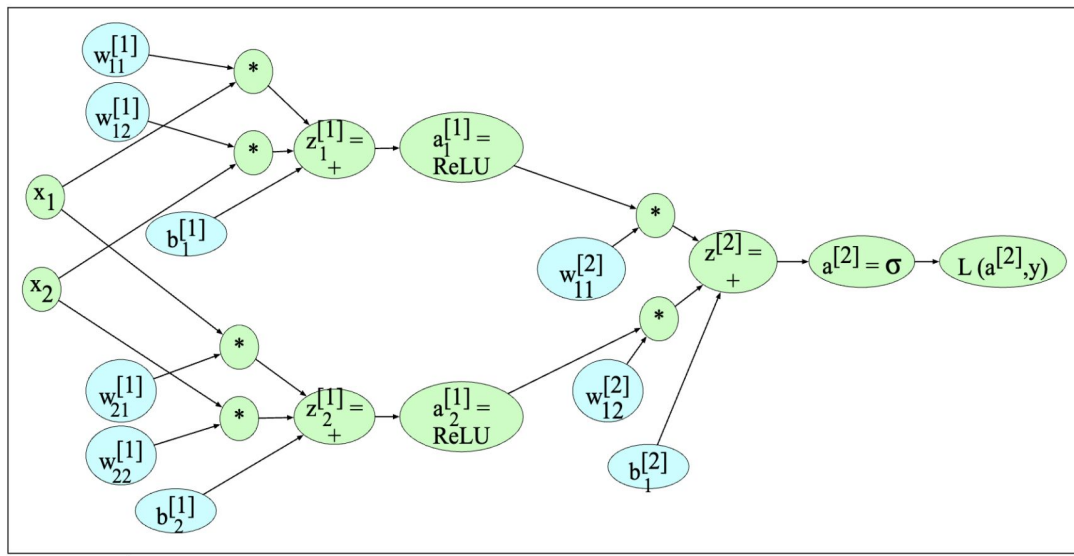
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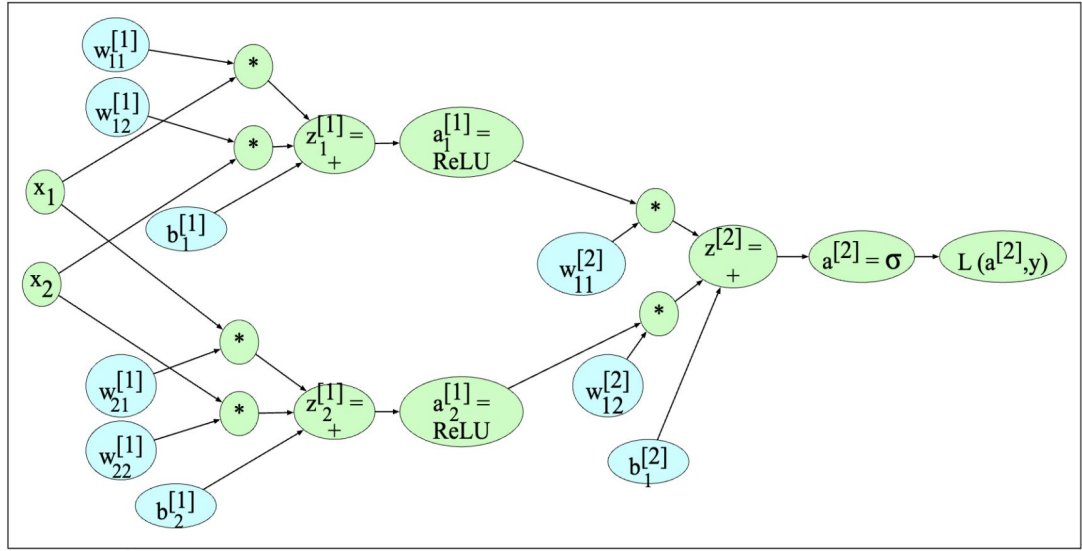
$$L_{CE}(a^{[2]}, y) \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{More generally (as } L) \\ \text{More specific (expand } a^{[2]} \text{ as } f(x; \theta) \end{array}$$

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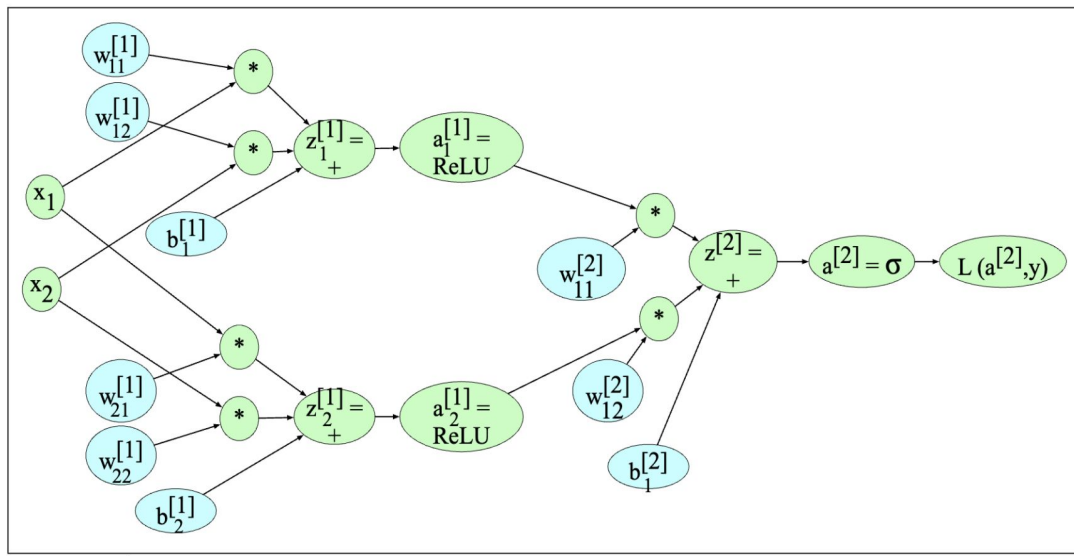


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 - This is where the partial derivatives comes in
 - Also the nabla and what have talked about last week

$$L(f(x; \theta), y)$$



Image source: SpongeBob episode "Sir Urchin and Snail Fail" in Season 13



Partial derivatives

How to write the partial derivatives for: $f(x, y) = 3x^2y$

The partial derivative with respect to x

The partial derivative with respect to y



Partial derivatives

$$f(x, y) = 3x^2y$$

The partial derivative with respect to x is written $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} 3x^2y$

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Partial derivatives walkthrough

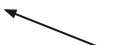
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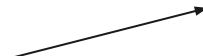
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How about no text, just symbols...

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$$\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} 3x^2y \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} 3x^2y \right]$$

A thin black arrow pointing right from the text 'The partial derivative with respect to x is 6xy' to the box containing the partial derivatives.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} 3x^2y &= 6xy \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} 3x^2y &= 3x^2 \end{aligned}$$

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Partial derivatives walkthrough

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Now let's write more generally





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Done! We represented it by $f(x,y)$



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↑
nabla symbol

Partial derivatives walkthrough

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Denotes the gradient
(the gradient in “gradient descent”)

2.4 A Brief Note on Numerator Layout vs Denominator Layout

There are two different layouts to express vector/matrix derivatives, namely the numerator and the denominator layout. In this course, we use the **denominator layout**. These layouts are mostly the same and can easily be switched using transpose operations. To demonstrate this better, some examples are shown below:

	Numerator Layout	Denominator Layout
$\frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$	1-D row vector	1-D column vector
$\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial x}$	1-D column vector	1-D row vector
$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$	\mathbf{a}^T	\mathbf{a}
$\frac{\partial \mathbf{M} \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{z}}$	\mathbf{M}	\mathbf{M}^T

A handy way to distinguish numerator vs denominator layout is to remember that **the layout type corresponds the number of rows in the output matrix**. In a numerator layout, the output matrix has number of rows equal to the size of the numerator, while in a denominator layout, the output matrix has number of rows equal to the size of the denominator.



Partial derivatives walkthrough

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Note: for the dimensionalities in the exercises / exams - there is no such flexibility. There is only one single answer because the dimensionalities must be matched.



Partial derivatives walkthrough

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

What we did?

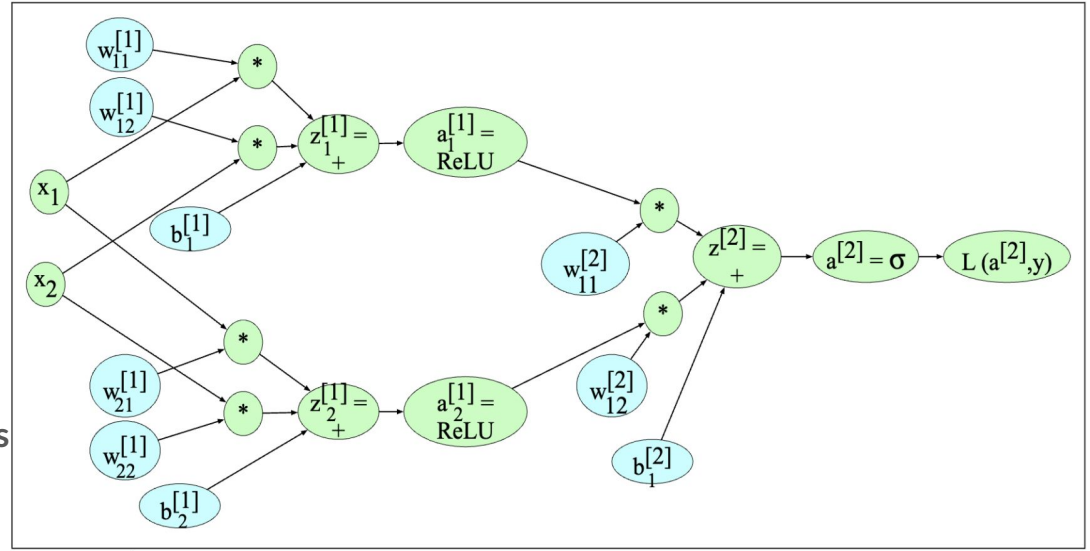
- compute the partial derivatives
- put them all together



Now
come back
to today's slides

Partial Derivatives: from Math to ML

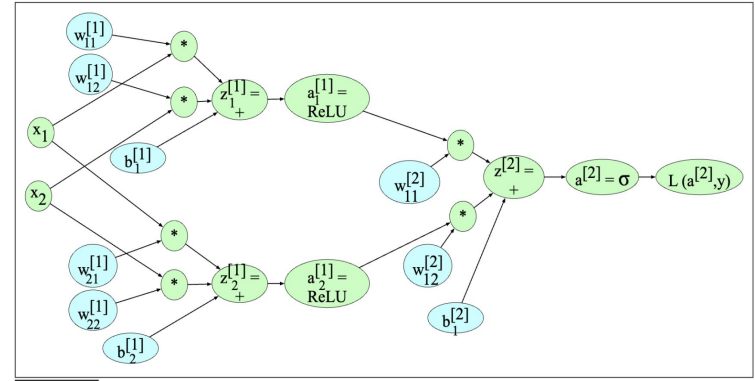
We also want to compute the partial derivatives
We also want to put them all together



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$$L(f(x; \theta), y)$$

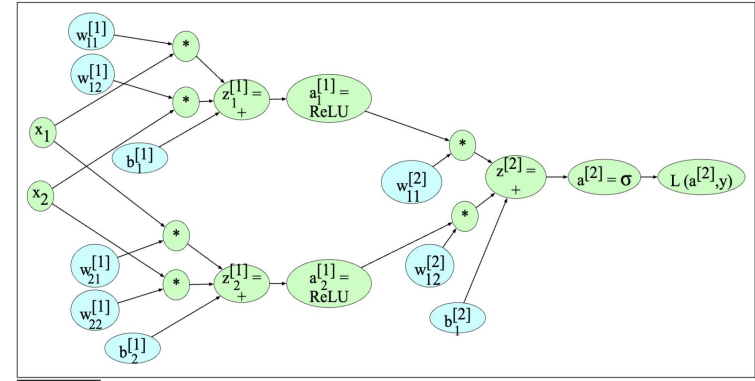
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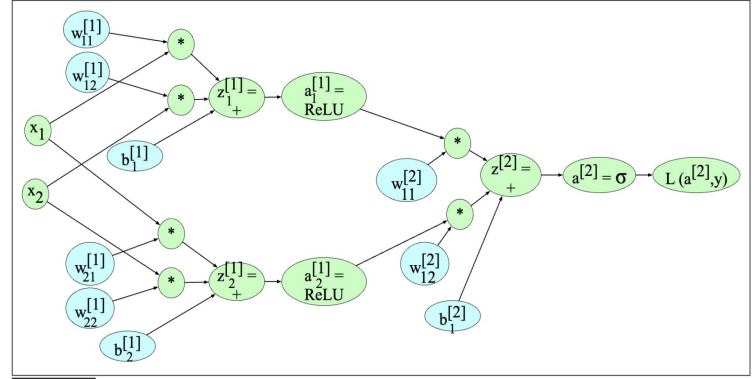
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 - Use our nabla symbol

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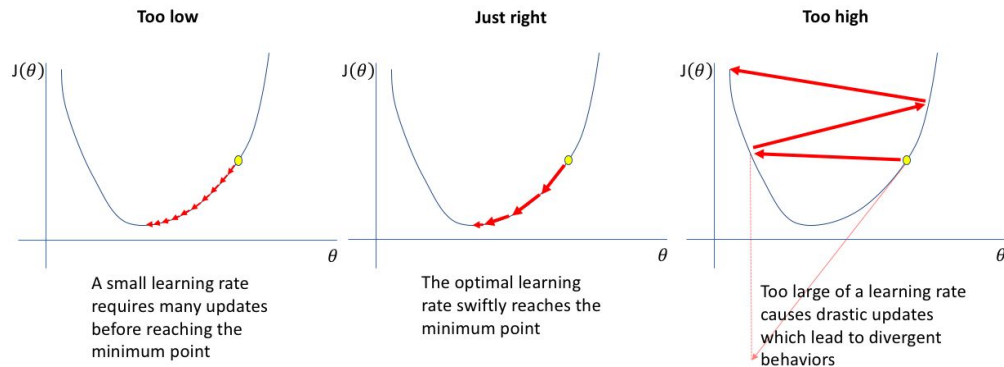


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Partial Derivatives: from Math to ML

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 We have just revisited slide 19 

Revisit the update rule

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{w} \\ b \end{bmatrix} \quad \theta^{t+1} = \theta^t - \eta \nabla L(f(x; \theta), y)$$

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$$\frac{\partial L_{CE}(\hat{y}, y)}{\partial w_j} = (\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} + b) - y) x_j = -(\hat{y} - y) x_j$$

- Plug **all** the data
- Compute the loss
- Compute the gradients
- Update parameters. Repeat until loss can no longer be further minimized

Optional derivative exercises with answers

Partial derivatives(1)

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Solutions(1)

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- $f(x, y) = 4x^3y^{-2}$ 4. $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 12x^2y^{-2}$ $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = -8x^3y^{-3}$
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- $z = x^2 - 4xy + 3y^2$ 7. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2x - 4y$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -4x + 6y$
- $z = y^3 - 2xy^2 - 1$ 8. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -2y^2$ $\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 3y^2 - 4xy$

Partial derivatives with chain/product rules(2)

- $z = e^{xy}$
- $z = e^{x/y}$
- $z = x^2 e^{2y}$
- $z = y e^{y/x}$

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<u>Power Rule</u>	x^n	nx^{n-1}
Sum Rule	$f + g$	$f' + g'$
Difference Rule	$f - g$	$f' - g'$
<u>Product Rule</u>	fg	$f g' + f' g$
Chain Rule (as " <u>Composition of Functions</u> ")	$f \circ g$	$(f' \circ g) \times g'$
Chain Rule (using ')	$f(g(x))$	$f'(g(x))g'(x)$
Chain Rule (using $\frac{d}{dx}$)	$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$	



Solutions(2)

- $z = e^{xy}$

9. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = ye^{xy} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = xe^{xy}$

- $z = e^{x/y}$

10. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{y}e^{x/y} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = -\frac{x}{y^2}e^{x/y}$

- $z = x^2e^{2y}$

11. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = 2xe^{2y} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = 2x^2e^{2y}$

- $z = ye^{y/x}$

12. $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = -\frac{y^2}{x^2}e^{y/x} \quad \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = e^{y/x} + \frac{y}{x}e^{y/x}$