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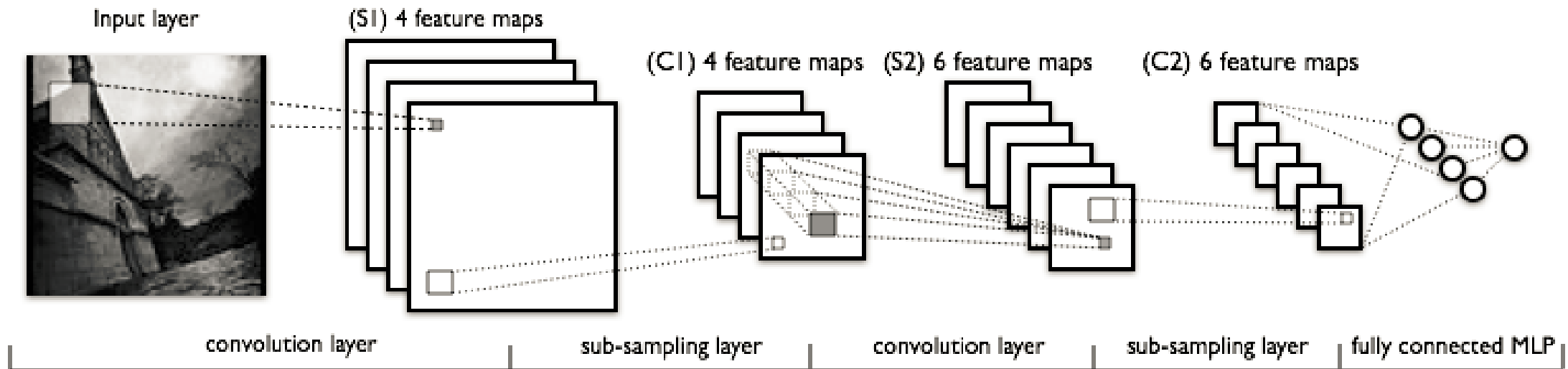
- A Case Study on User Response Prediction in Display Ads

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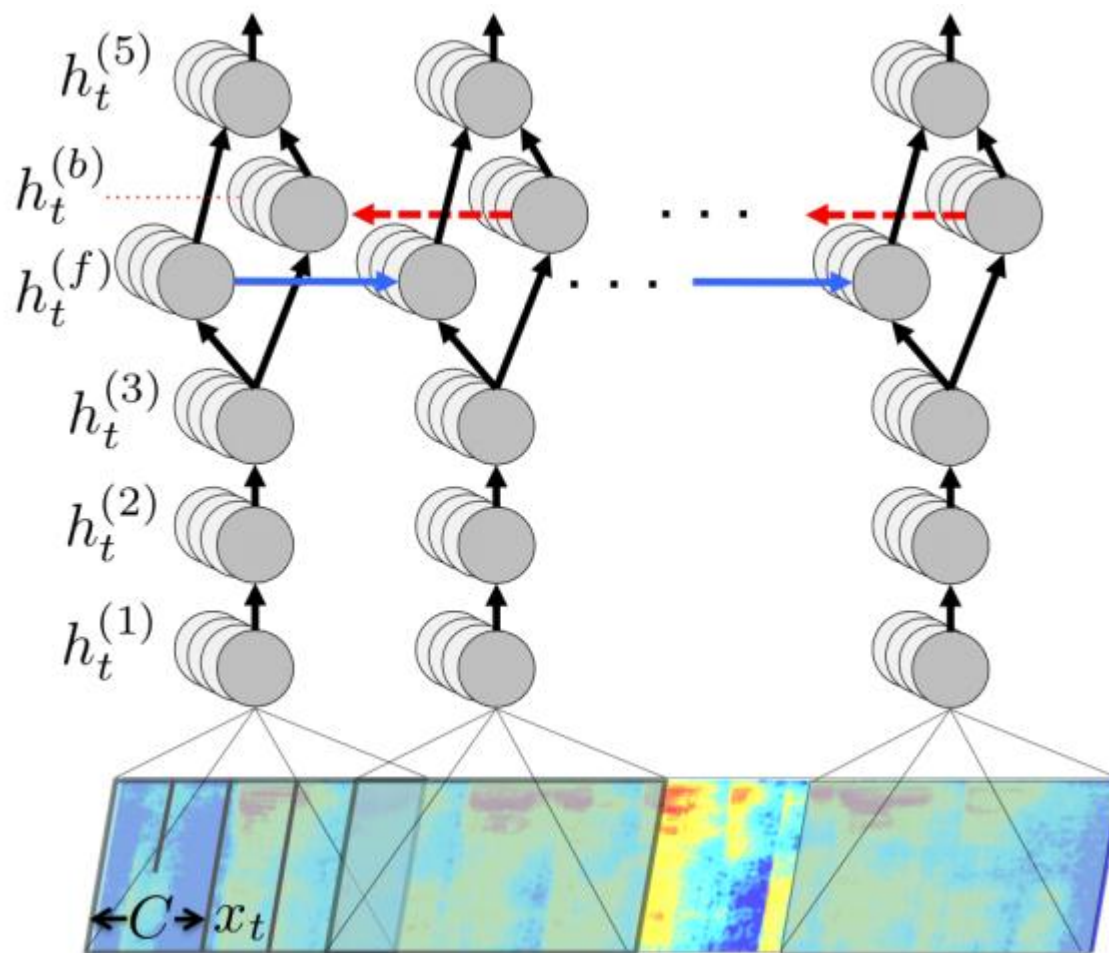
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Deep Learning Models on Continuous/Dense Data



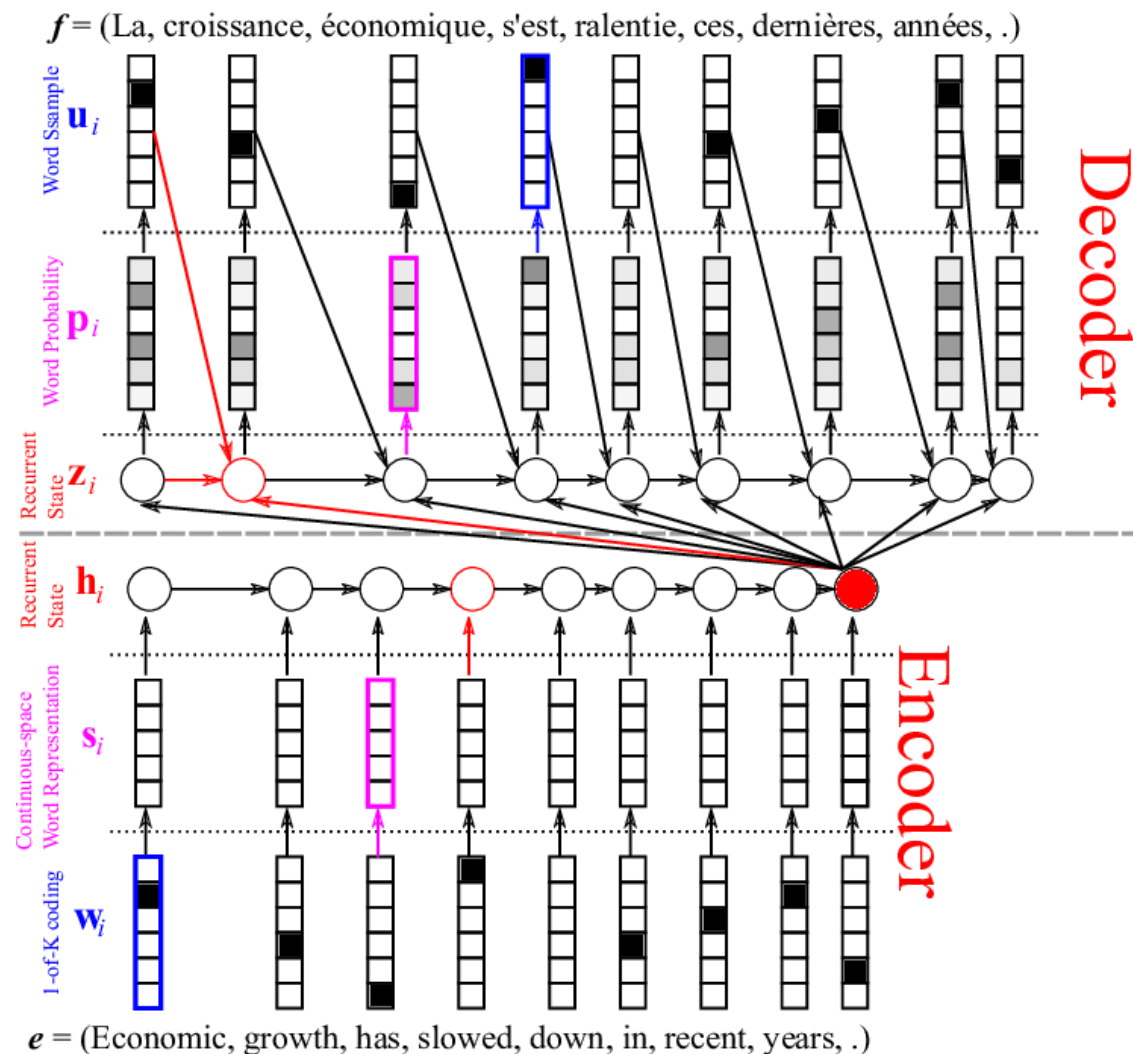
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Deep Learning Models on Continuous/Dense Data



[Awni Hannun et al. Deep Speech: Scaling up end-to-end speech recognition. ArXiv 1412.5567 2014.]

Deep Learning Models on Continuous/Dense Data



Continuous dense data vs. Categorical Sparse Data

- Deep neural networks work well on continuous dense or sequence data
 - E.g., image pixels, audio, word sequences
 - Good to explore non-trivial local data patterns
- What if learning on multi-field categorical data?
 - E.g., [Weekday=Wednesday, Gender=Male, City=Shanghai,...]
 - Each field data has no explicit dependency on other fields

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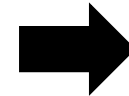
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User response estimation problem

- Click-through rate estimation as an example

- Date: 20160320
- Hour: 14
- Weekday: 7
- IP: 119.163.222.*
- Region: England
- City: London
- Country: UK
- Ad Exchange: Google
- Domain: yahoo.co.uk
- URL: <http://www.yahoo.co.uk/abc/xyz.html>
- OS: Windows
- Browser: Chrome
- Ad size: 300*250
- Ad ID: a1890
- User occupation: Student
- User tags: Sports, Electronics



Click (1) or not (0)?

Predicted CTR (0.15)

Traditional One-Hot Binary Encoding

$x = [\text{Weekday=Wednesday}, \text{Gender=Male}, \text{City=Shanghai}]$

$x = [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0]$



- High dimensional sparse binary feature vector
 - Usually higher than 1M dimensions, even 1B dimensions
 - Extremely sparse
- Impossible to directly deploy neural network models
 - E.g., input features 1M, first layer 500, then 500M parameters for first layer

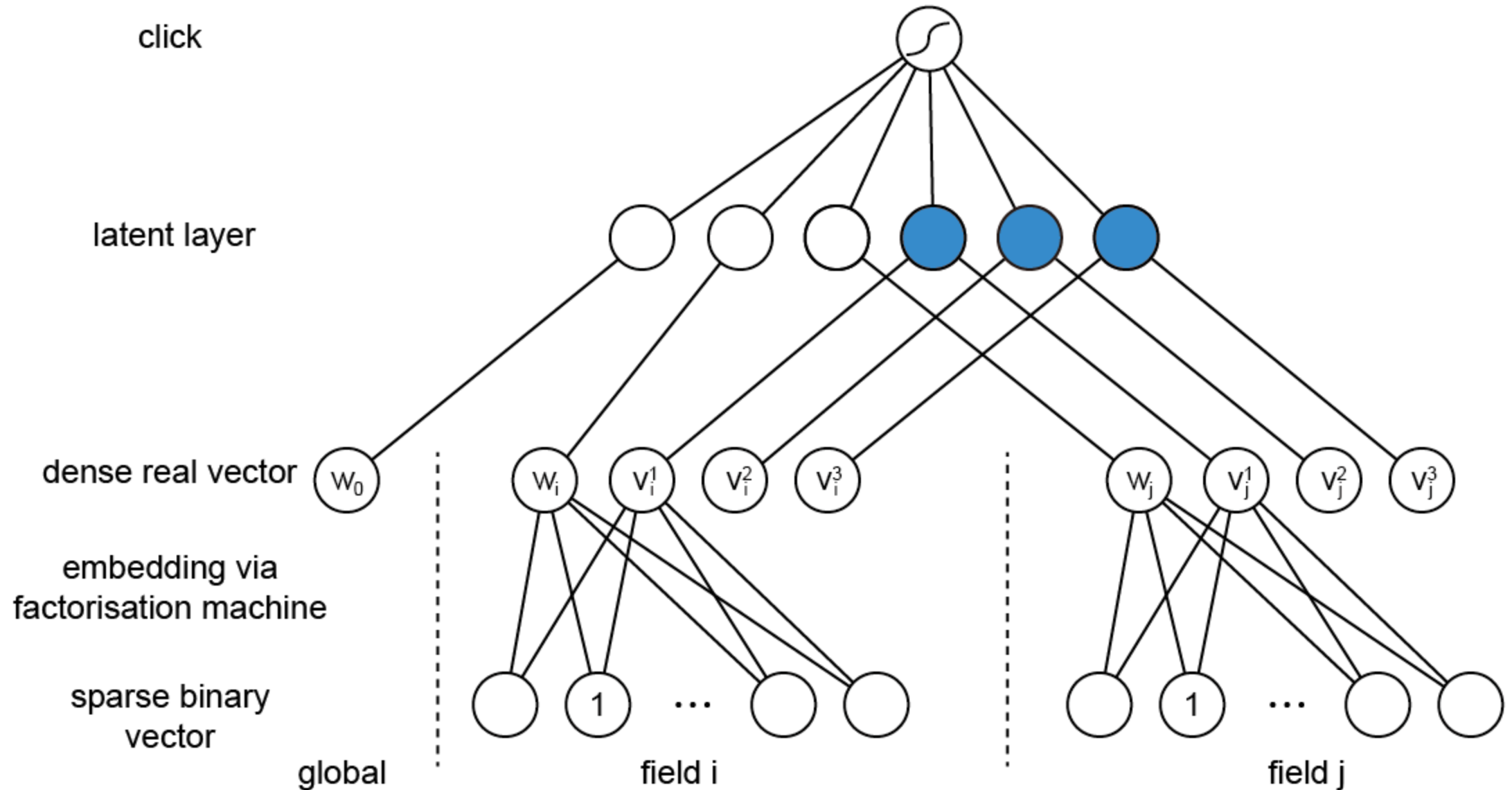
Leveraging Feature Embedding

- Factorisation Machines

$$y_{\text{FM}}(\mathbf{x}) := \text{sigmoid} \left(\underbrace{w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^N w_i x_i}_{\text{Logistic Regression}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=i+1}^N \langle \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle x_i x_j}_{\text{Feature Interactions}} \right)$$

- Embed features into a k-dimensional latent space
- Explore the feature interaction patterns using vector inner-product

Factorisation Machine is a Neural Network



Factorisation-machine supported Neural Networks (FNN)

CTR

Fully Connected

Hidden Layer (l_2)

Fully Connected

Hidden Layer (l_1)

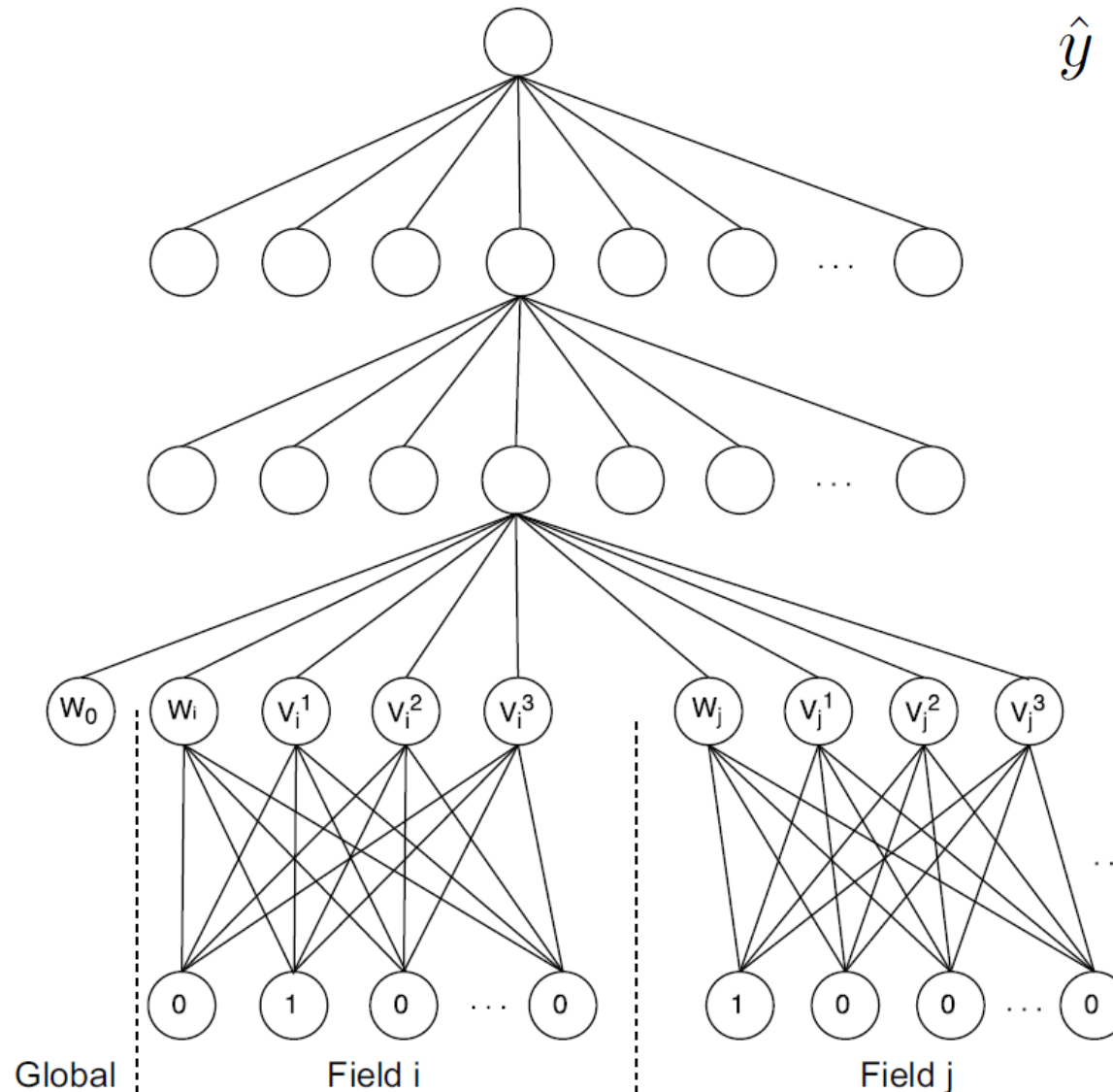
Fully Connected

Dense Real Layer (z)

Initialised by FM's
Weights and Vectors.

Fully Connected within
each field

Sparse Binary
Features (x)



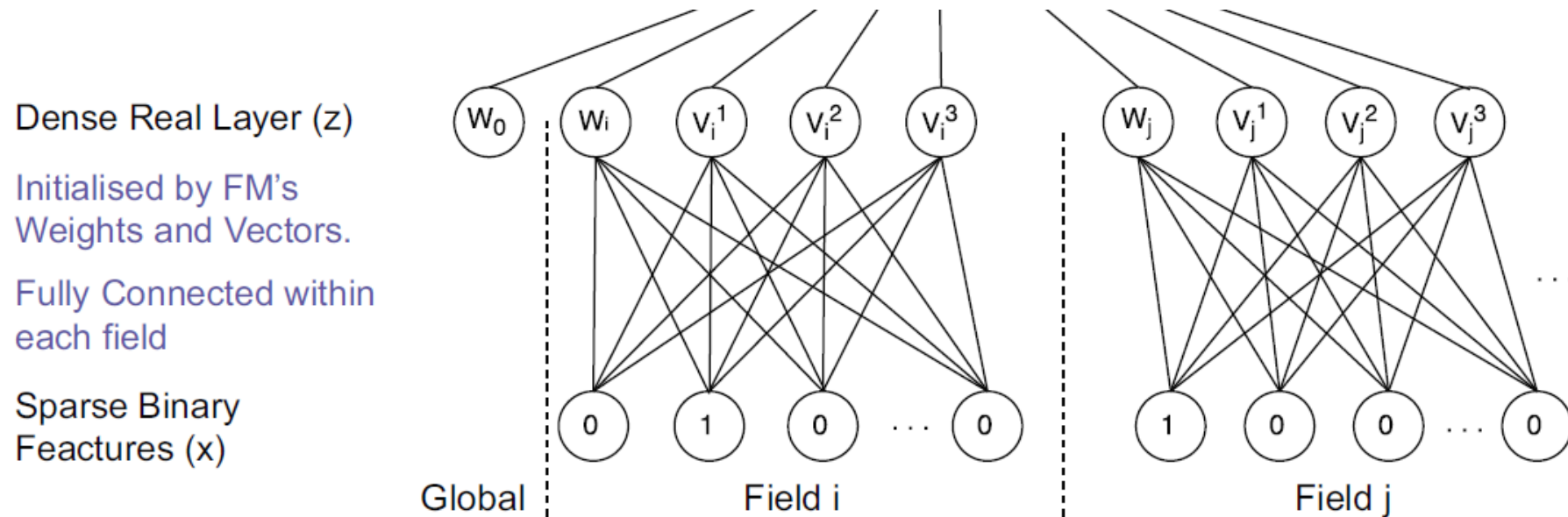
$$\hat{y} = \text{sigmoid}(\mathbf{W}_3 \mathbf{l}_2 + b_3)$$

$$\mathbf{l}_2 = \tanh(\mathbf{W}_2 \mathbf{l}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2)$$

$$\mathbf{l}_1 = \tanh(\mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{b}_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_i &= (w_i, v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^K) \\ &= \mathbf{W}_0^i \cdot \mathbf{x}[\text{start}_i : \text{end}_i] \\ &\quad \text{[Factorisation Machine Initialised]} \end{aligned}$$

Factorisation-machine supported Neural Networks (FNN)



- Chain rule to update factorisation machine parameters

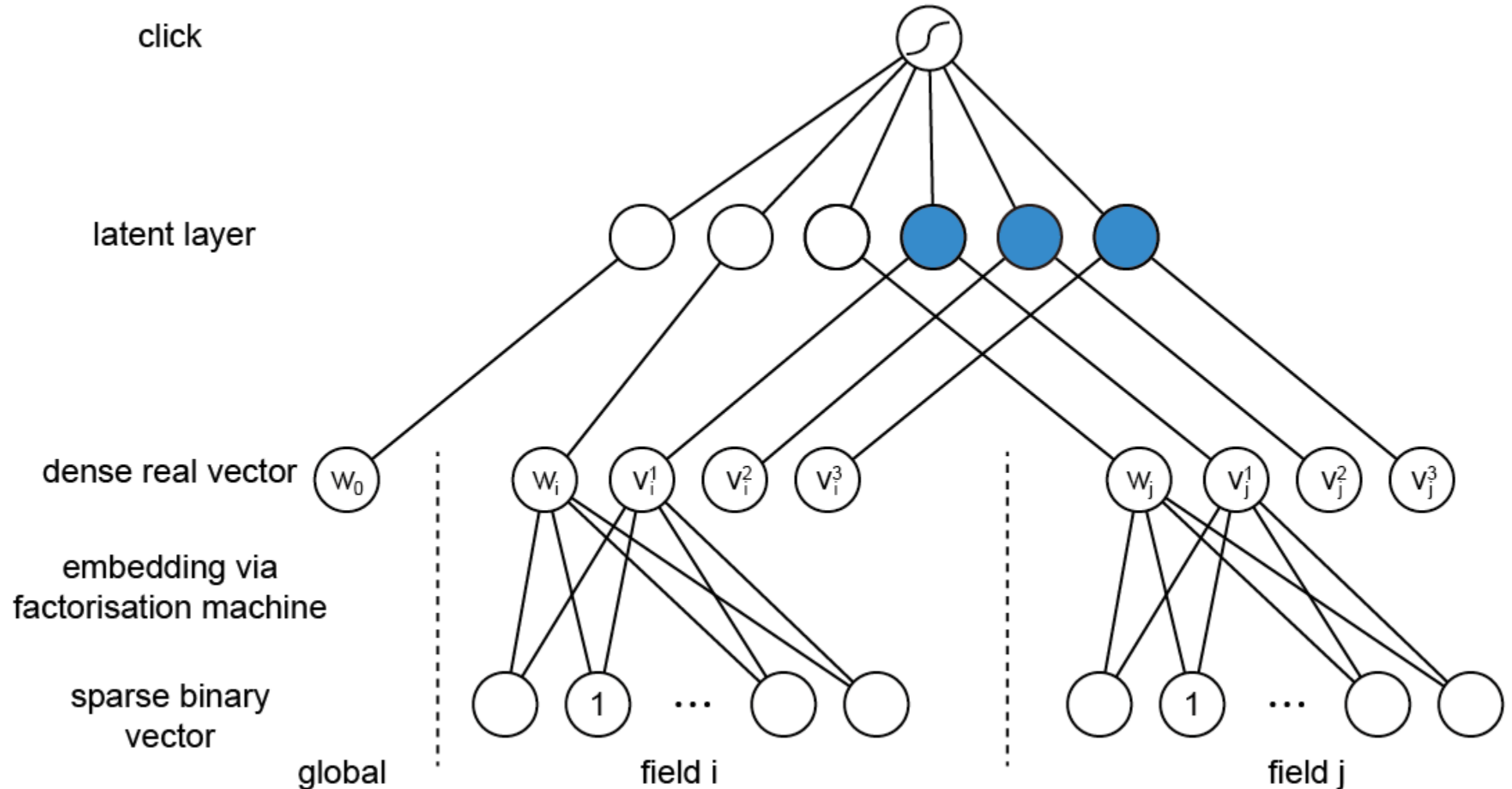
$$\frac{\partial L(y, \hat{y})}{\partial \mathbf{W}_0^i} = \frac{\partial L(y, \hat{y})}{\partial \mathbf{z}_i} \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}_i}{\partial \mathbf{W}_0^i} = \frac{\partial L(y, \hat{y})}{\partial \mathbf{z}_i} \mathbf{x}[\text{start}_i : \text{end}_i]$$
$$\mathbf{W}_0^i \leftarrow \mathbf{W}_0^i - \eta \cdot \frac{\partial L(y, \hat{y})}{\partial \mathbf{z}_i} \mathbf{x}[\text{start}_i : \text{end}_i].$$

Overall CTR estimation AUC performance

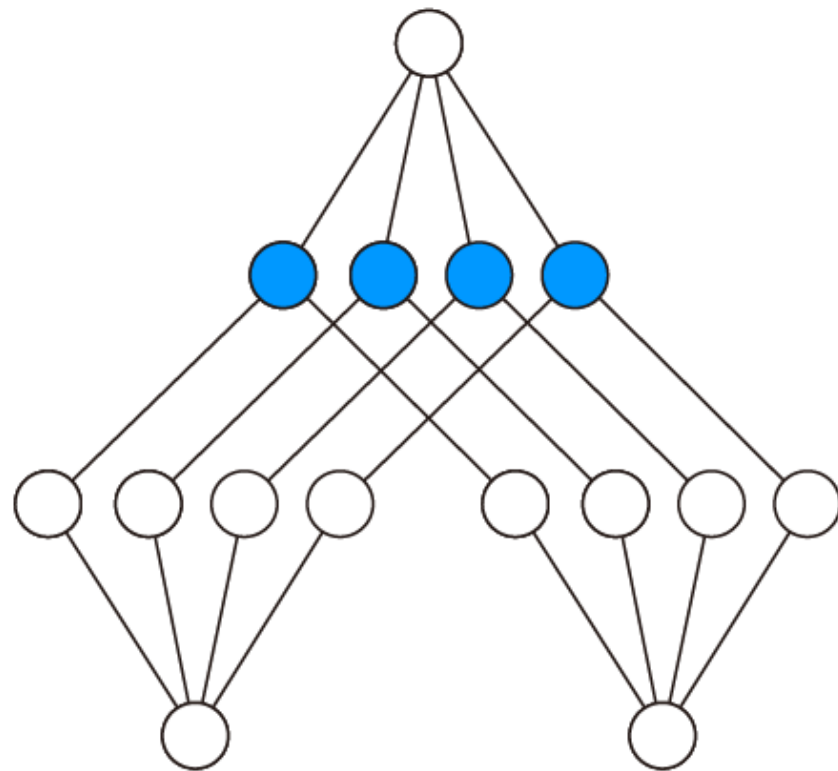
- iPinYou dataset: 19.50M data instances

Campaign	LR	FM	FNN
1458	70.42%	70.21%	70.52%
2259	69.66%	69.73%	69.74%
2261	62.03%	60.97%	62.99%
2997	60.77%	60.87%	61.41%
3386	80.30%	79.05%	80.56%
all	68.81%	68.18%	70.70%

But factorisation machine is still different from common additive neural networks

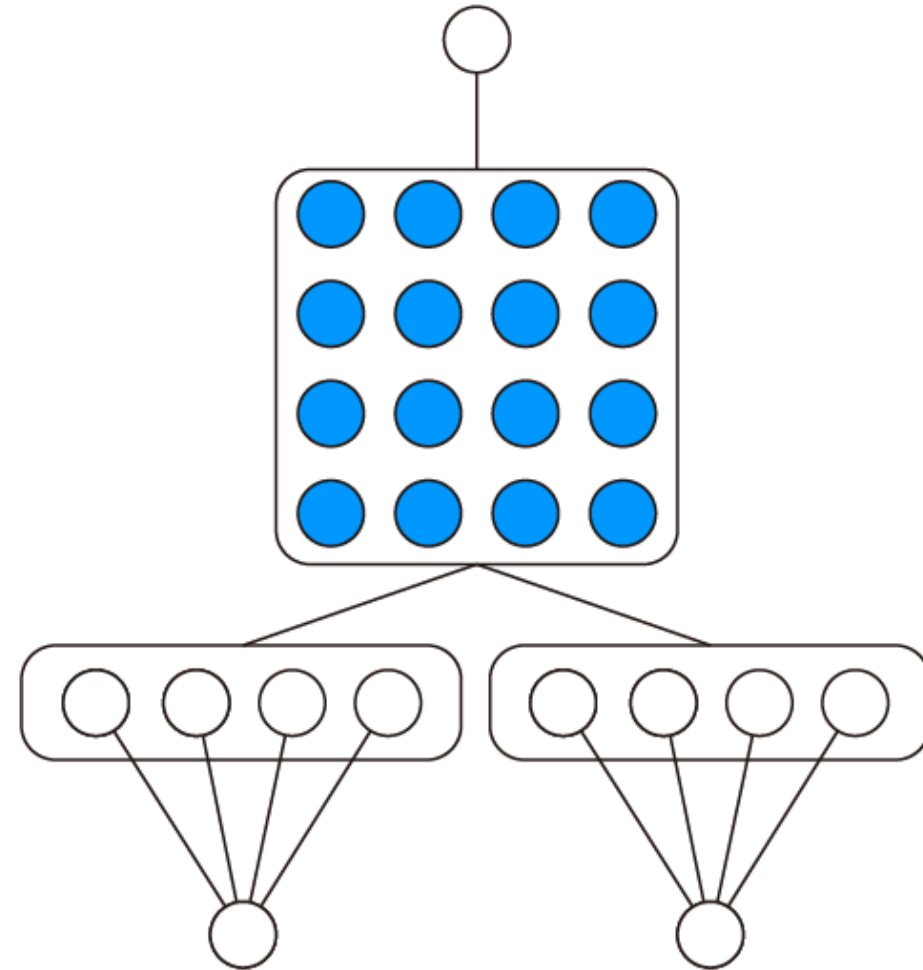


Product Operations as Feature Interactions



City:Shanghai Occupation:Student

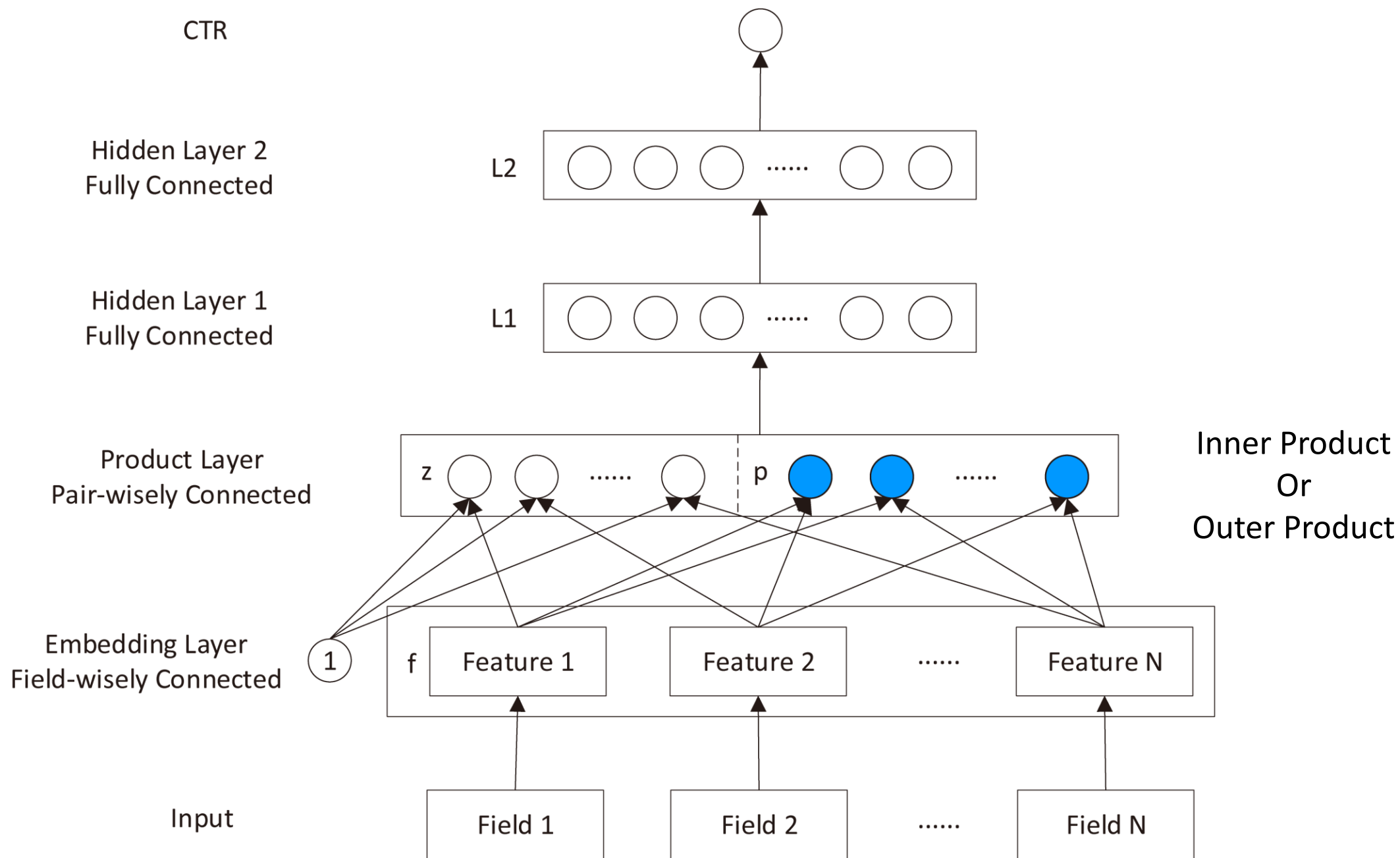
Inner Product Operation



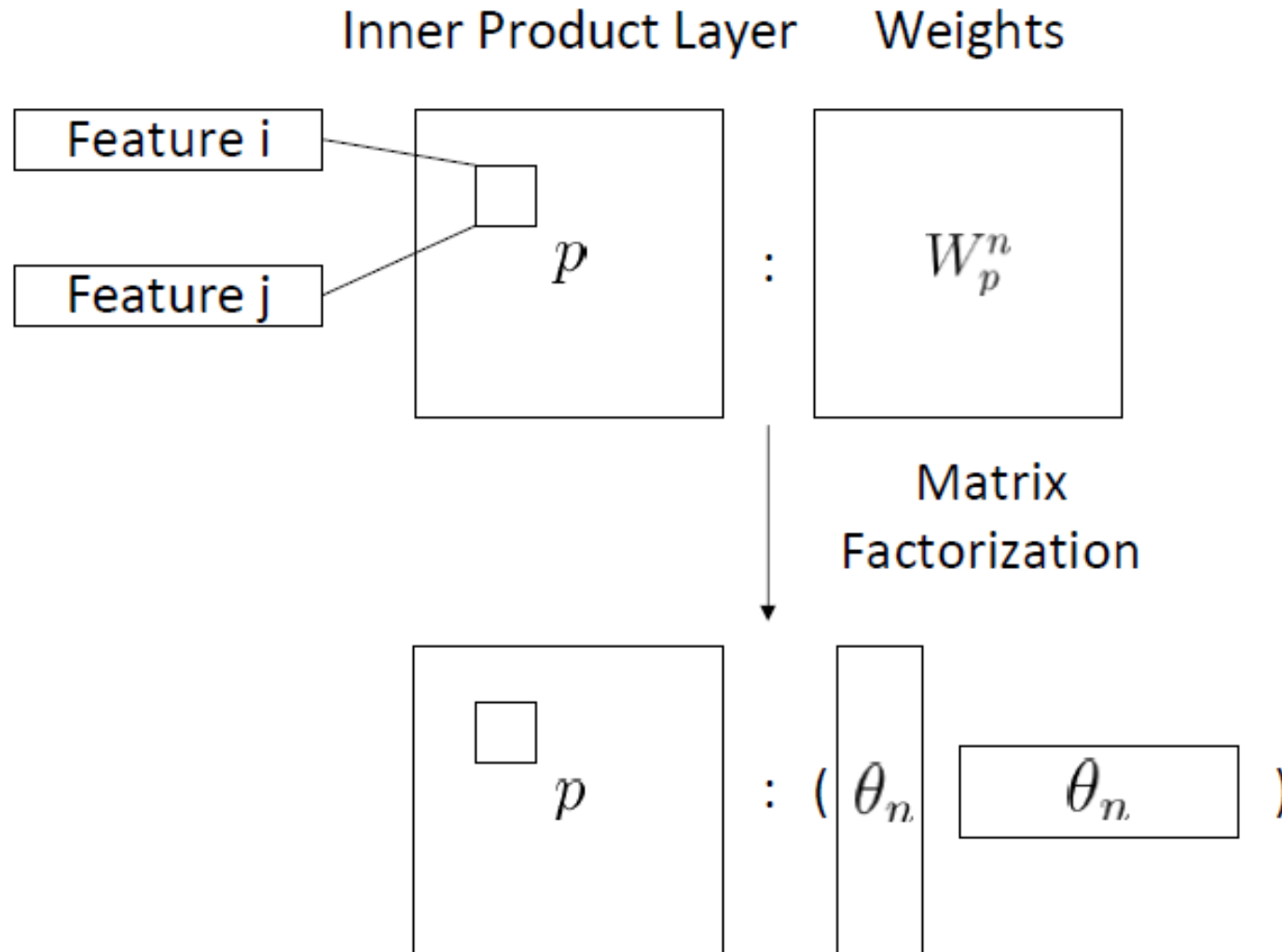
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Outer Product Operation

PNN



Some Tricks to Reduce the Complexity



Experimental Results

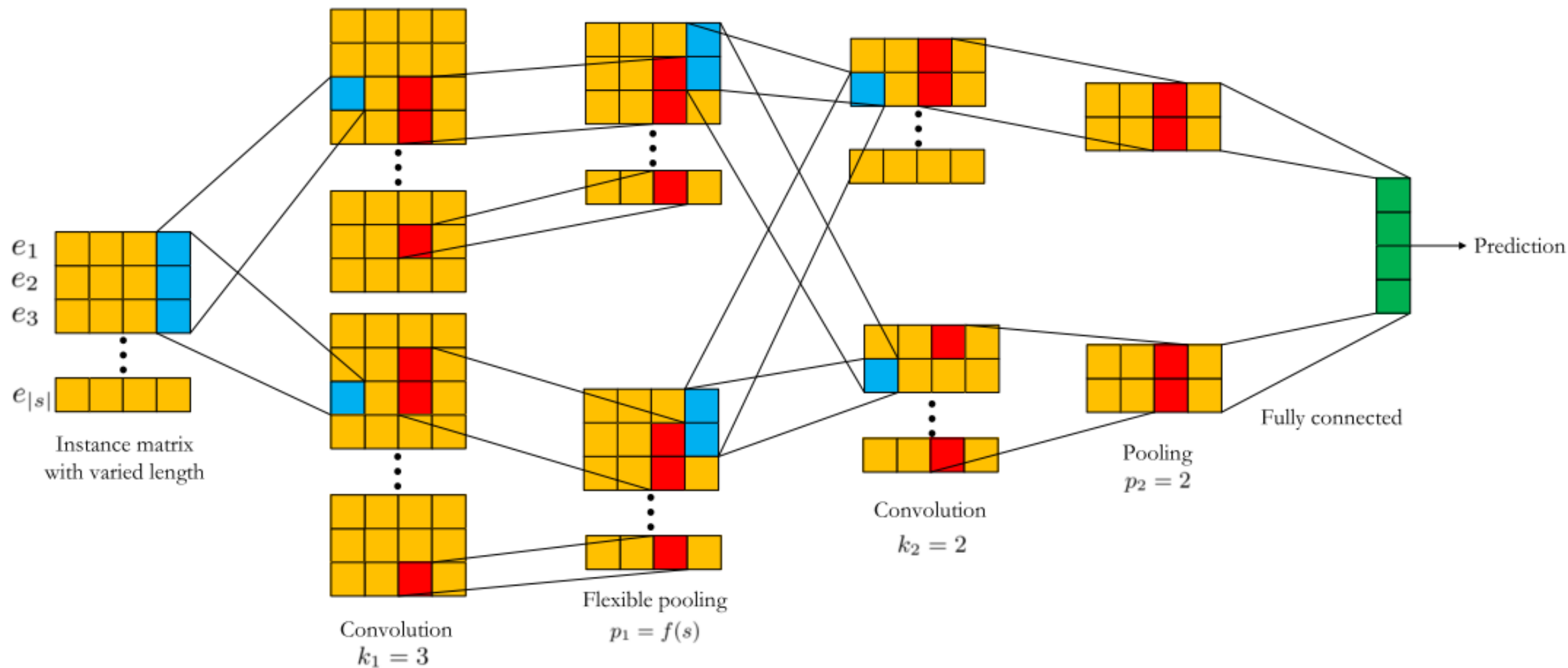
Datasets

- Criteo Terabyte Dataset
 - 13 numerical fields, 26 categorical fields
 - 7 consecutive days out of 24 days in total (about 300 GB) during 2014
 - 79.4M impressions, 1.6M clicks after negative down sampling
- iPinYou Dataset
 - 65 categorical fields
 - 10 consecutive days during 2013
 - 19.5M impressions, 937.7K clicks without negative down sampling

Compared Algorithms

- LR – Logistic regression
- FM – Factorisation machine
- FNN – Factorisation machine supported neural network
- CCPM – Convolutional click prediction model

Convolutional Click Prediction Model (CCPM)



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- PNN-I – Inner product neural network
- PNN-II – Outer product neural network
- PNN-III – Inner&outer product ensembled neural network

Evaluation Metrics

- Area under ROC curve (AUC)

- Log loss

$$\text{LogLoss} = \frac{1}{|D|} \sum_{i=1}^{|D|} (-y_i \log \hat{y}_i - (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \hat{y}_i))$$

- Root mean squared error (RMSE)

$$\text{RMSE} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{|D|} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{|D|}}$$

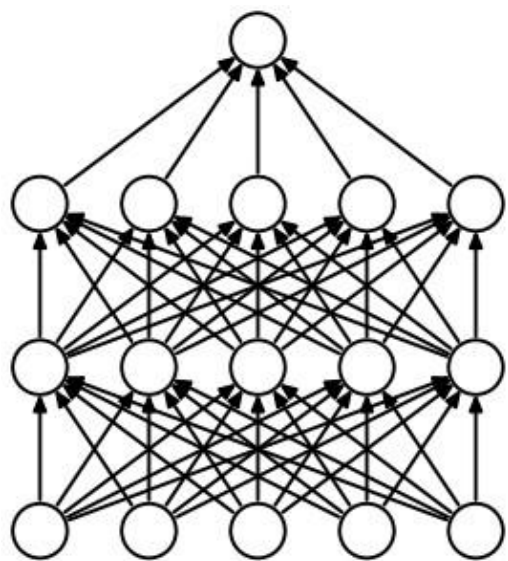
- Relative Information Gain (RIG)

$$\text{RIG} = 1 - \frac{\text{LogLoss}}{-(p \log p + (1 - p) \log(1 - p))}$$

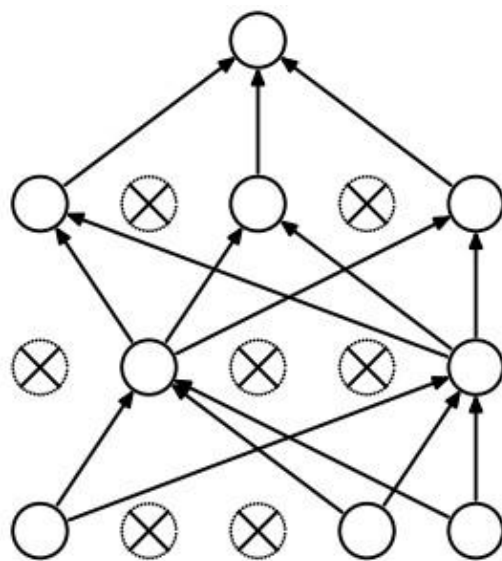
Criteo

Model	AUC		Log Loss	
	Criteo	iPinYou	Criteo	iPinYou
LR	71.48%	73.43%	0.1334	5.581e-3
FM	72.20%	75.52%	0.1324	5.504e-3
FNN	75.66%	76.19%	0.1283	5.443e-3
CCPM	76.71%	76.38%	0.1269	5.522e-3
PNN-I	77.79%	79.14%	0.1252	5.195e-3
PNN-II	77.54%	81.74%	0.1257	5.211e-3
PNN-III	77.00%	76.61%	0.1270	4.975e-3

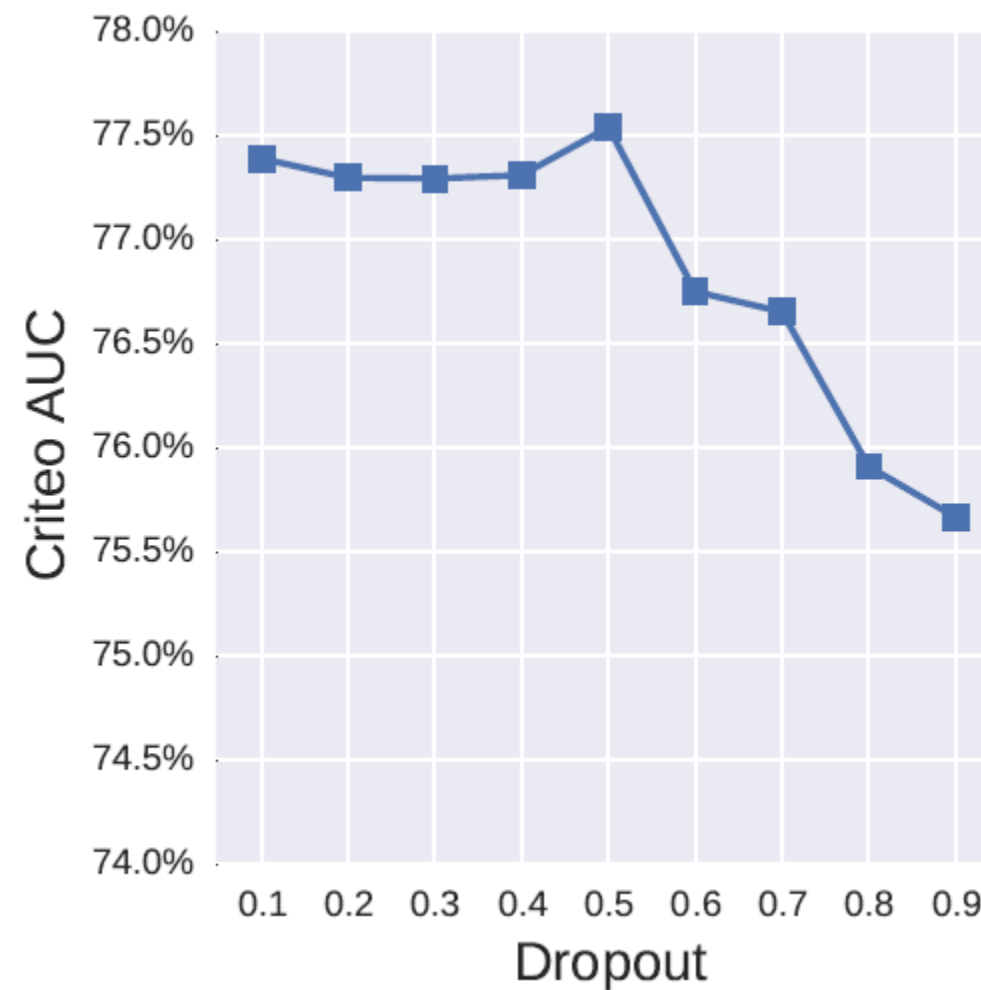
Model	RMSE		RIG	
	Criteo	iPinYou	Criteo	iPinYou
LR	9.362e-4	5.350e-07	6.680e-2	7.353e-2
FM	9.284e-4	5.343e-07	7.436e-2	8.635e-2
FNN	9.030e-4	5.285e-07	1.024e-1	9.635e-2
CCPM	8.938e-4	5.343e-07	1.124e-1	8.335e-2
PNN-I	8.803e-4	4.851e-07	1.243e-1	1.376e-1
PNN-II	8.846e-4	5.293e-07	1.211e-1	1.349e-1
PNN-III	8.988e-4	4.819e-07	1.118e-1	1.740e-1



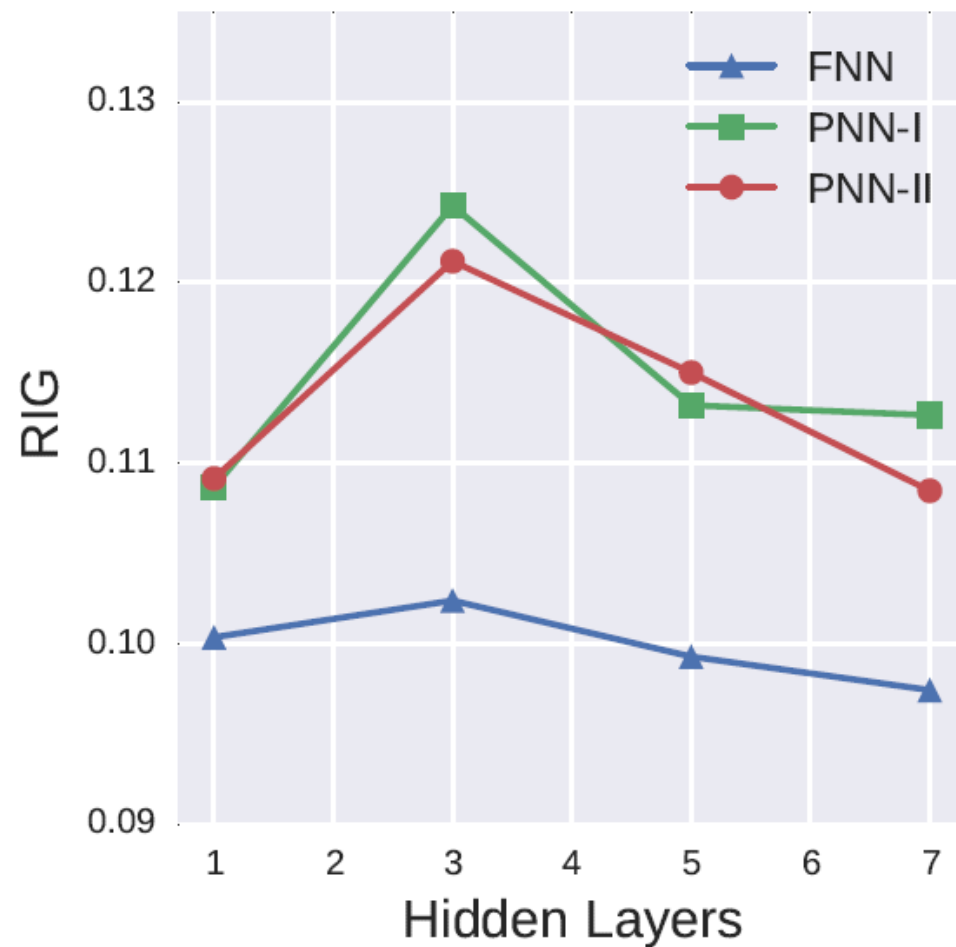
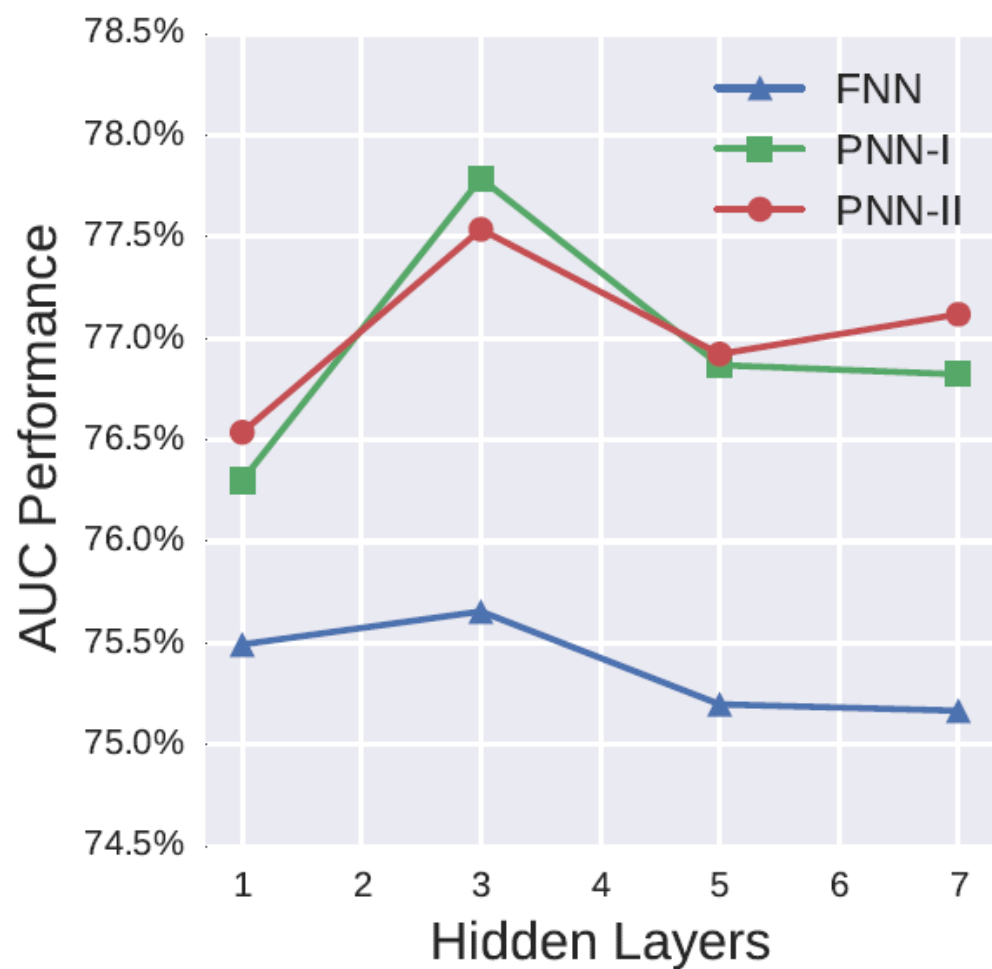
(a) Standard Neural Net



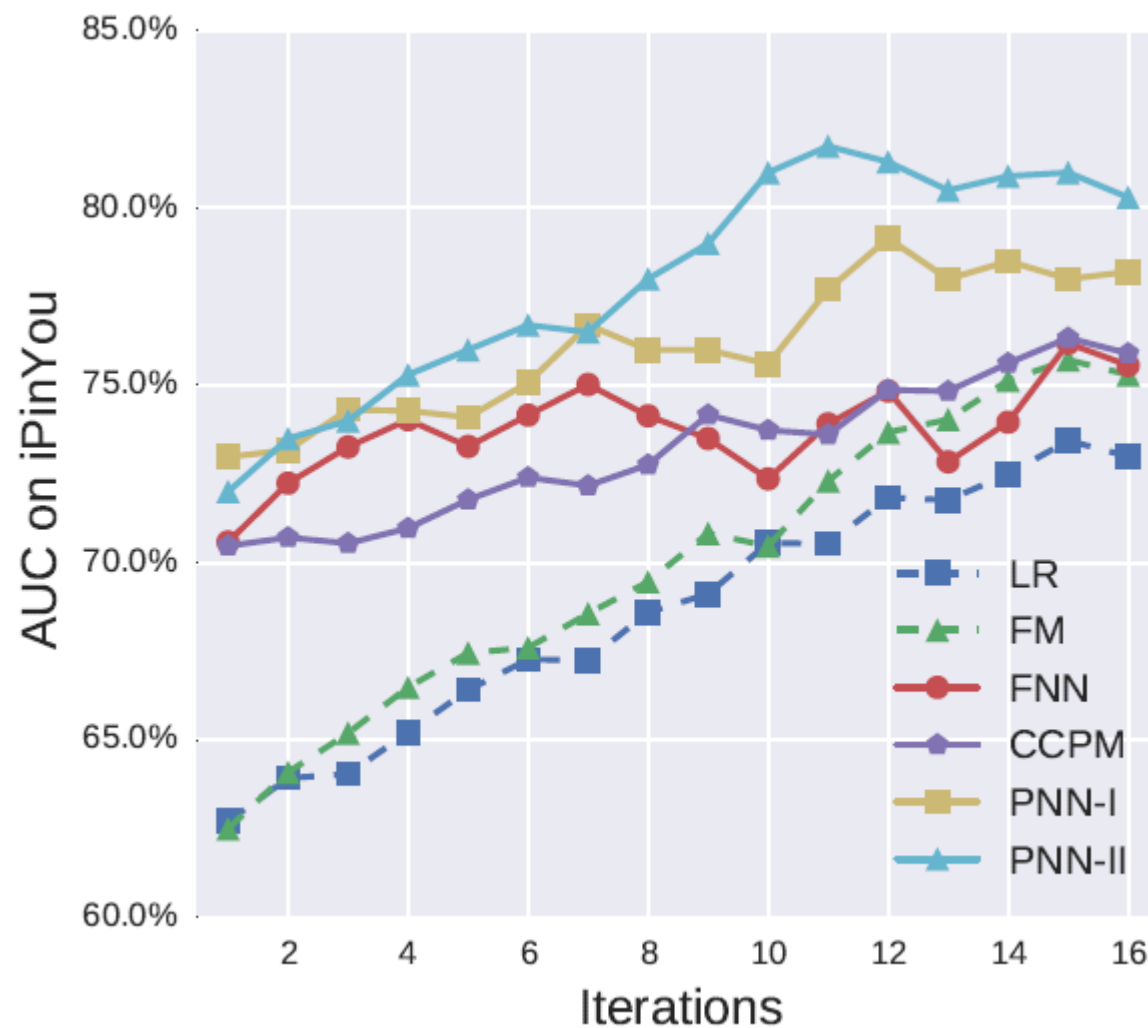
(b) After applying dropout.



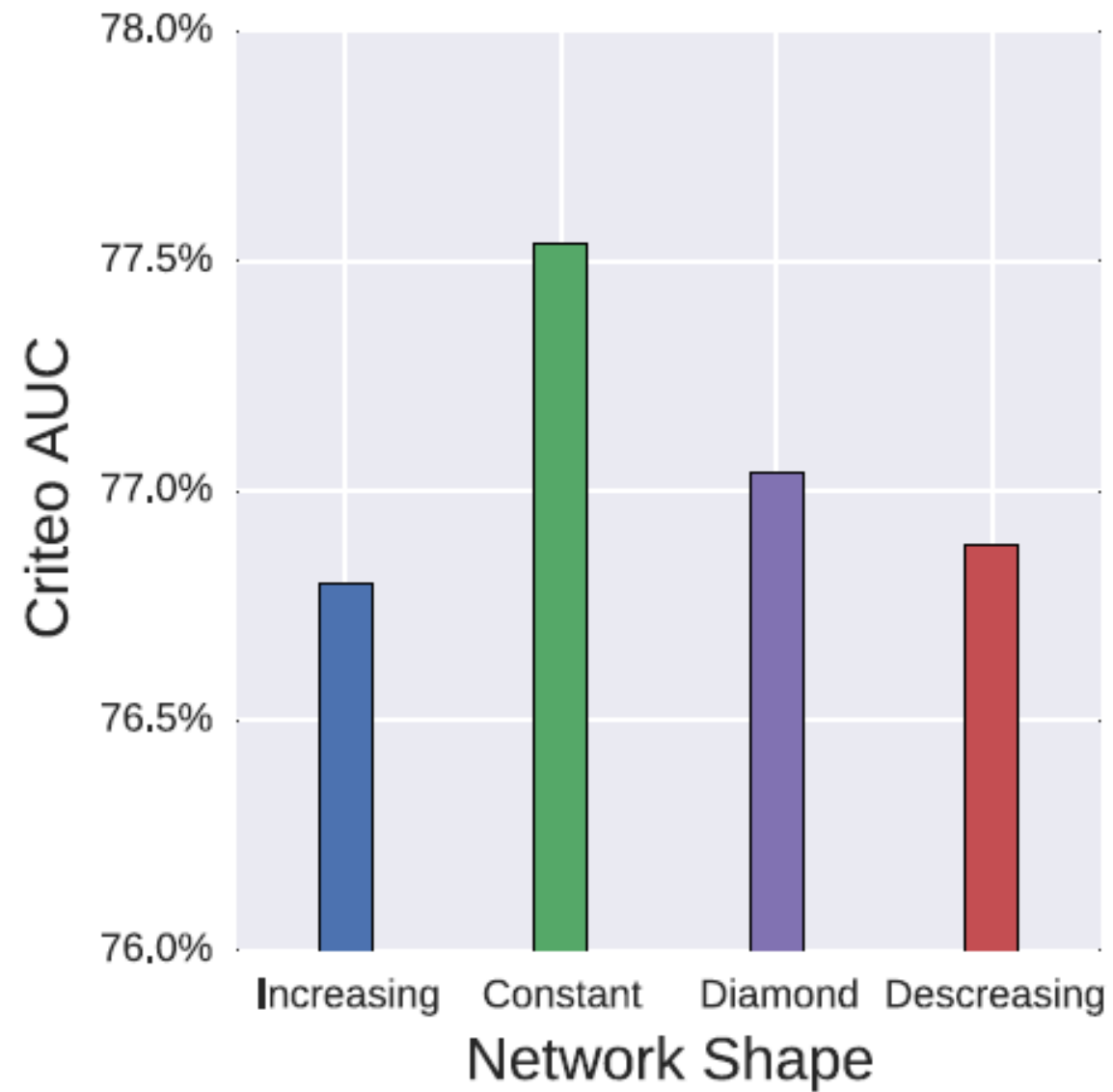
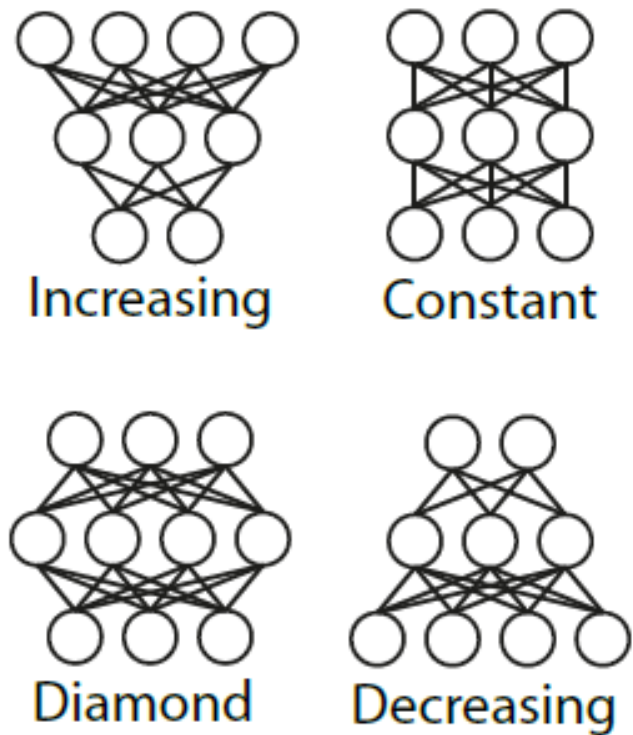
AUC Comparison of Dropout (PNN-II)



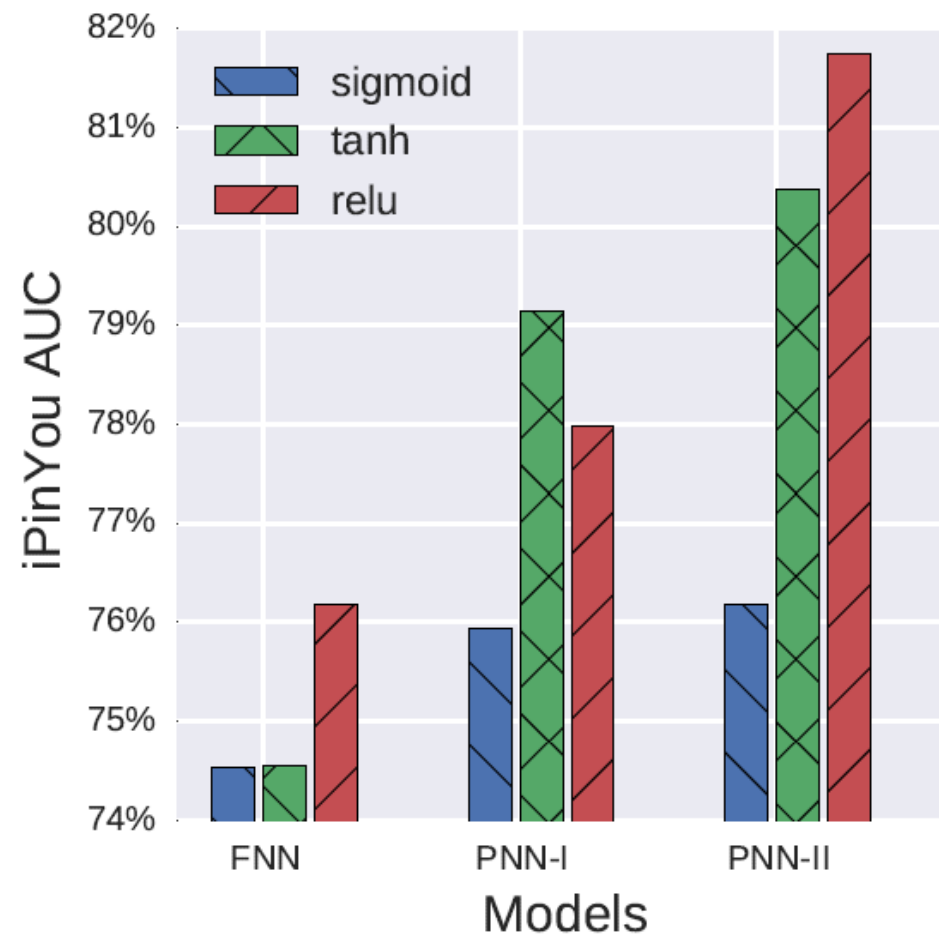
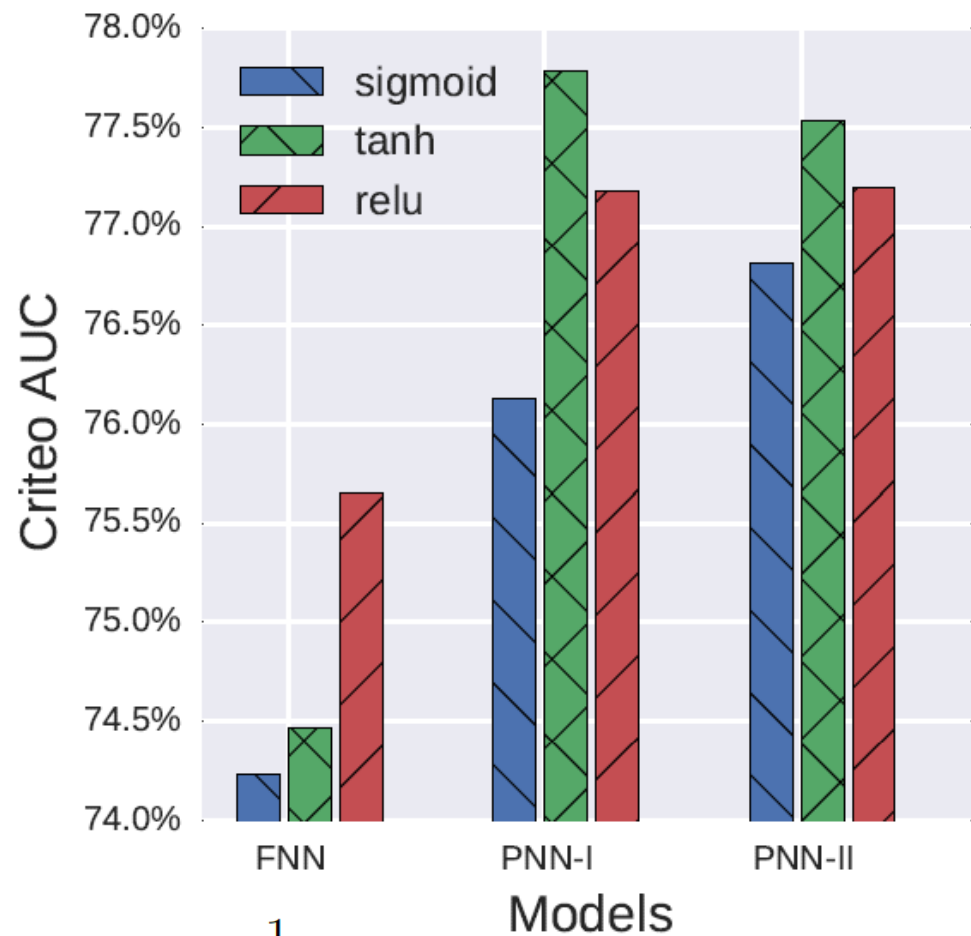
Performance comparison on network depth



Training Curve on iPinYou Dataset



AUC Comparison of Network Shape (PNN-II)



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

$$\tanh(x) = \frac{1 - e^{-2x}}{1 + e^{-2x}}$$

$$\text{relu}(x) = \max(0, x)$$

AUC Comparison of Activation Functions

[Yanru Qu et al. Product-based Neural Networks for User Response Prediction. Paper in submission 2016]

Summary

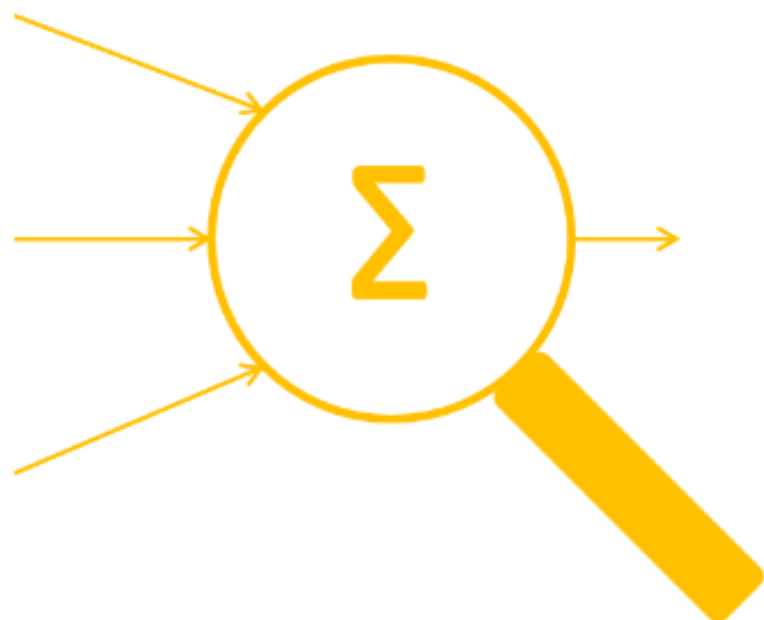
- An attempt of exploring deep neural network efficacy on multi-field categorical data
- Layers of product operations are introduced to model the inter-field feature interactions
- On display ad CTR estimation tasks, PNNs significantly outperform other models

A New Deep Learning Paradigm: Deep learning over ID format data

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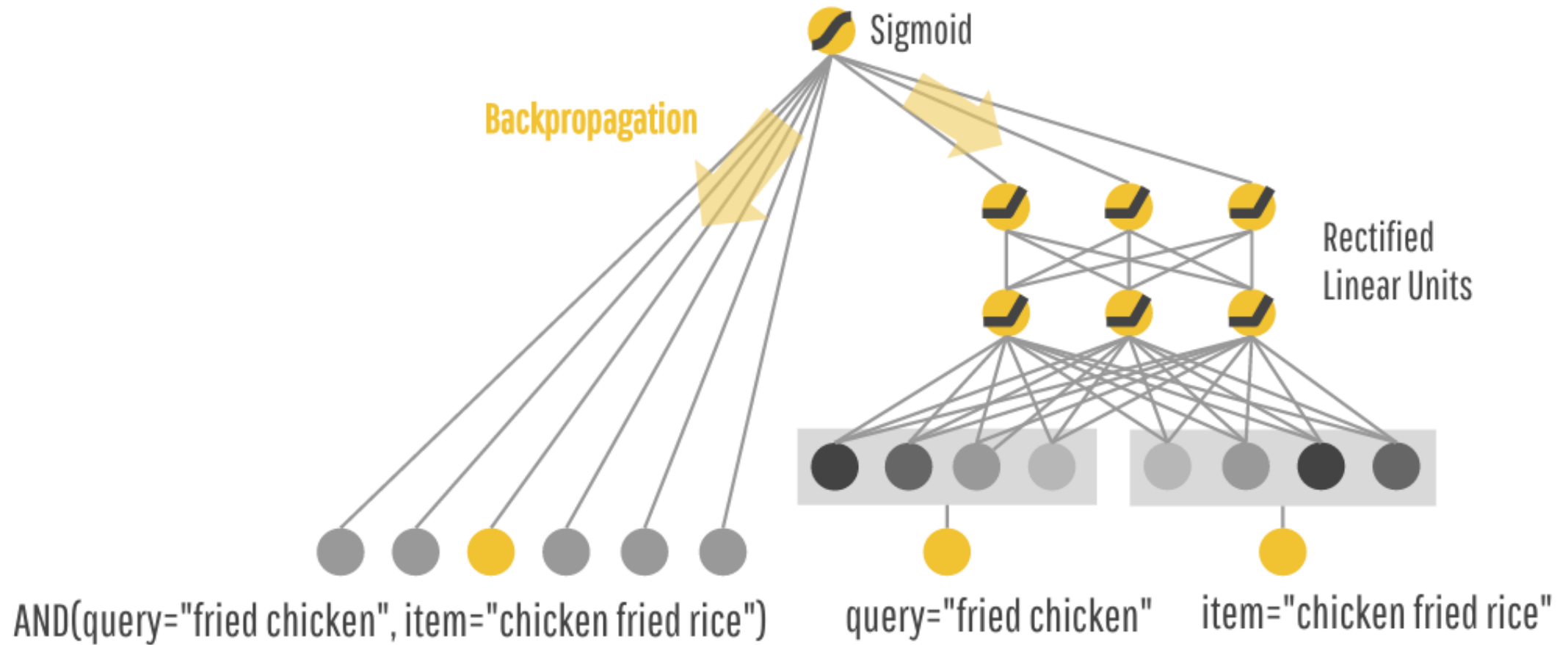
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Wide and Deep Learning by Google



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Thank You. Questions?

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