

# Back propagation

Note:  $z_j^l = \sum_k w_{jk}^l a_k^{l-1} + b^l, a_k^{l-1} = \sigma(z_k^{l-1})$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{jk}^l} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^l} \cdot \frac{\partial z_j^l}{\partial w_{jk}^l} = d_j^l \cdot a_k^{l-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial b_j^l} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^l} \cdot 1 = d_j^l$$

\* Label:  $d_j^l = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^l}$ ,  $\vec{d}^l = \begin{bmatrix} d_1^l \\ d_2^l \\ \vdots \\ d_n^l \end{bmatrix}$   
n = number of nodes in layer l.

Now we need to compute  $d_j^l$ .

↳ We'll do this recursively.

## Final Layer:

$L$  is a function of the nodes  $a_1^F, \dots, a_n^F$

$$a_j^F = \sigma(z_j^F)$$

$$d_j^F = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^F} = \sum_k \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_k^F} \frac{\partial a_k^F}{\partial z_j^F} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial a_j^F} \frac{\partial a_j^F}{\partial z_j^F}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\partial L}{\partial a_j^F}}_{\text{depends on choice of loss fn}} \cdot \sigma'(z_j^F)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{d}^F = \nabla_a L \odot \sigma'(\vec{z}^F)}$$



## Intermediate Layers

$$d_j^l = \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^l}$$

Where do  $z_j^l$ 's appear?

→ in  $a^l$ 's, which appear in  $z^{l+1}$ 's

$$\begin{aligned} d_j^l &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j^l} = \sum_k \frac{\partial L}{\partial z_k^{l+1}} \frac{\partial z_k^{l+1}}{\partial z_j^l} \\ &= \sum_k d_k^{l+1} \frac{\partial z_k^{l+1}}{\partial z_j^l} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_k^{l+1} &= \sum_j w_{kj}^{l+1} a_j^l + b_k^{l+1} \\ &= \sum_j w_{kj}^{l+1} \sigma(z_j^l) + b_k^{l+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial z_k^{l+1}}{\partial z_j^l} = w_{kj}^{l+1} \sigma'(z_j^l)$$

$$\Rightarrow d_j^l = \sum_k w_{kj}^{l+1} d_k^{l+1} \sigma'(z_j^l)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{d}^l = ((W^{l+1})^T \vec{d}^{l+1}) \odot \sigma'(\vec{z}^l)}$$