

Chapter Three

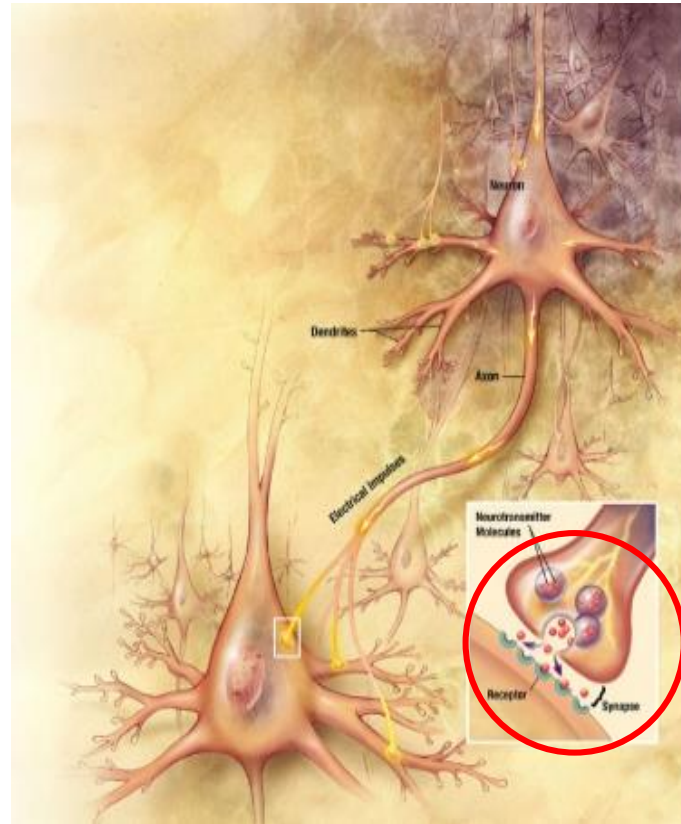
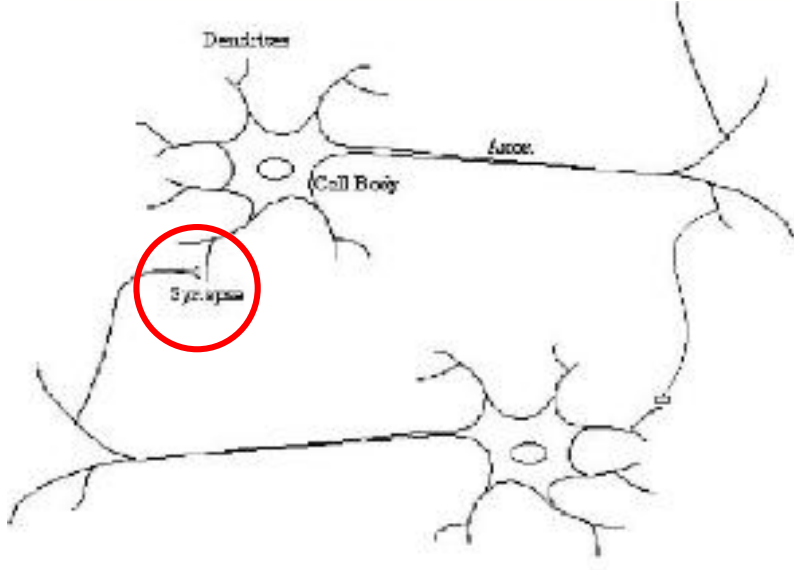
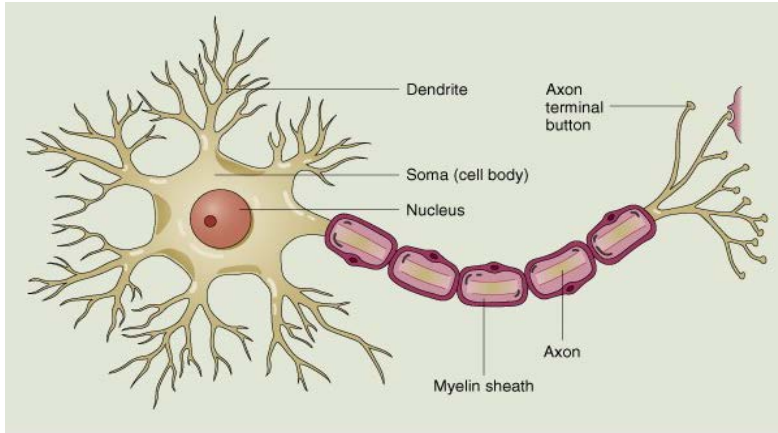
Backpropagation Algorithm

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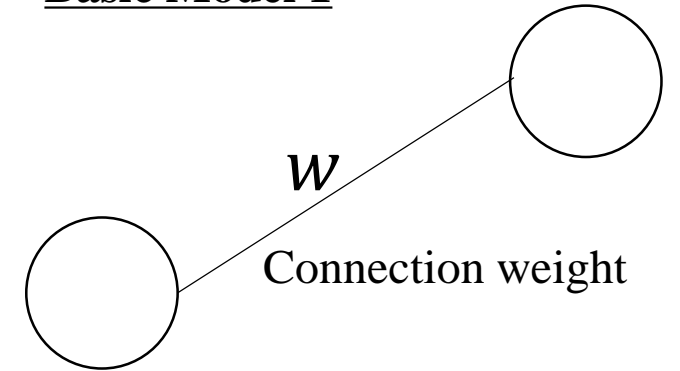
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- Brief Review of Computational Model of Neural Networks
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Computational Model of Neurons



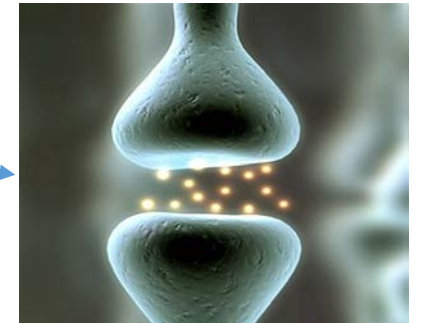
Basic Model 1



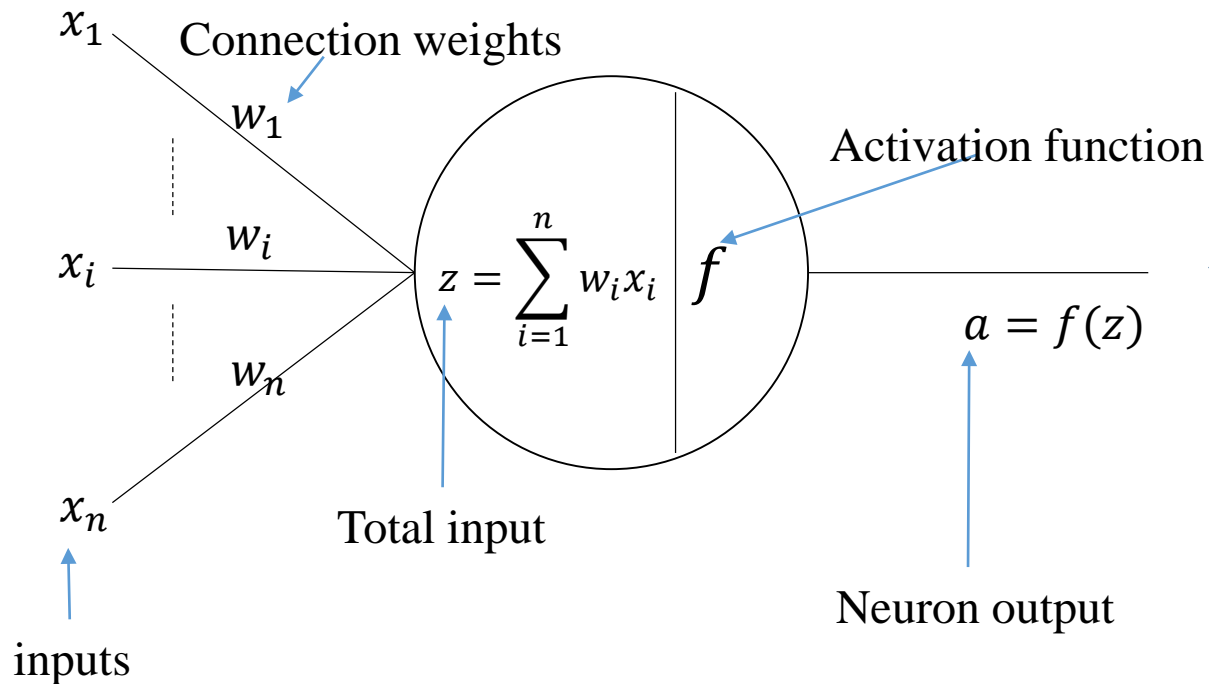
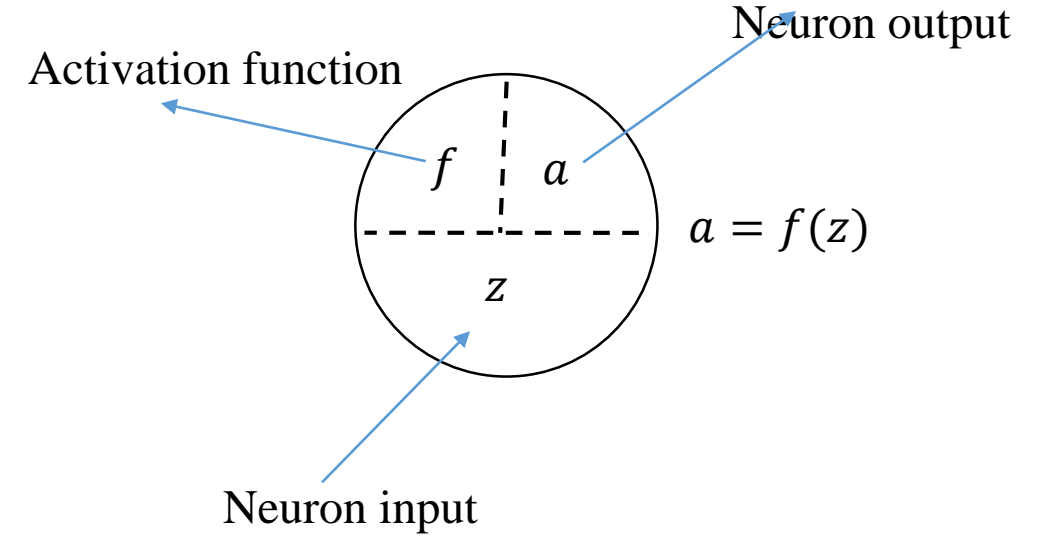
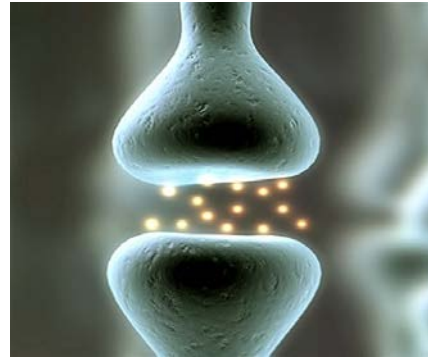
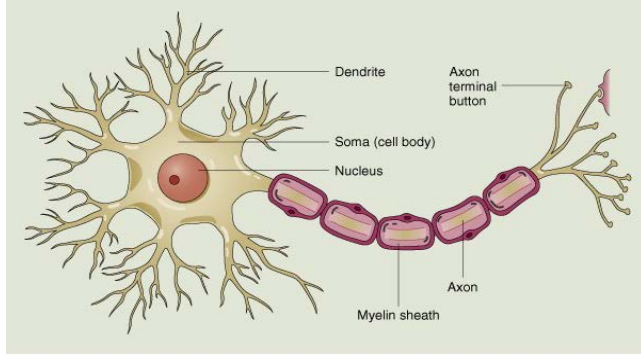
Connection weight

$w > 0$, *exciting connection*
 $w = 0$, *no connection*
 $w < 0$, *inhibition connection*

Synapse



Computational Model of Neurons



$$y = f(z) = f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right)$$

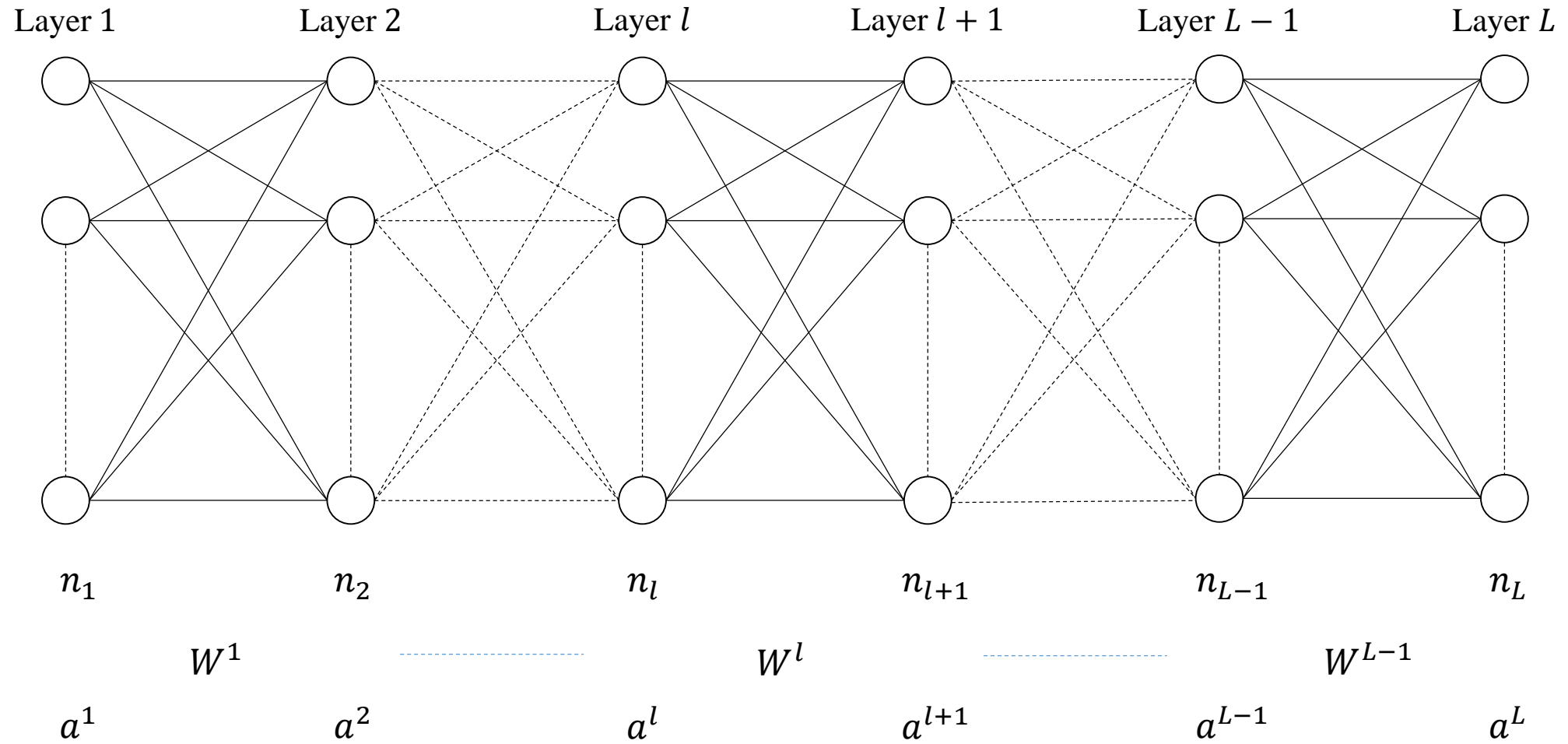
$$z = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

Basic Model 2

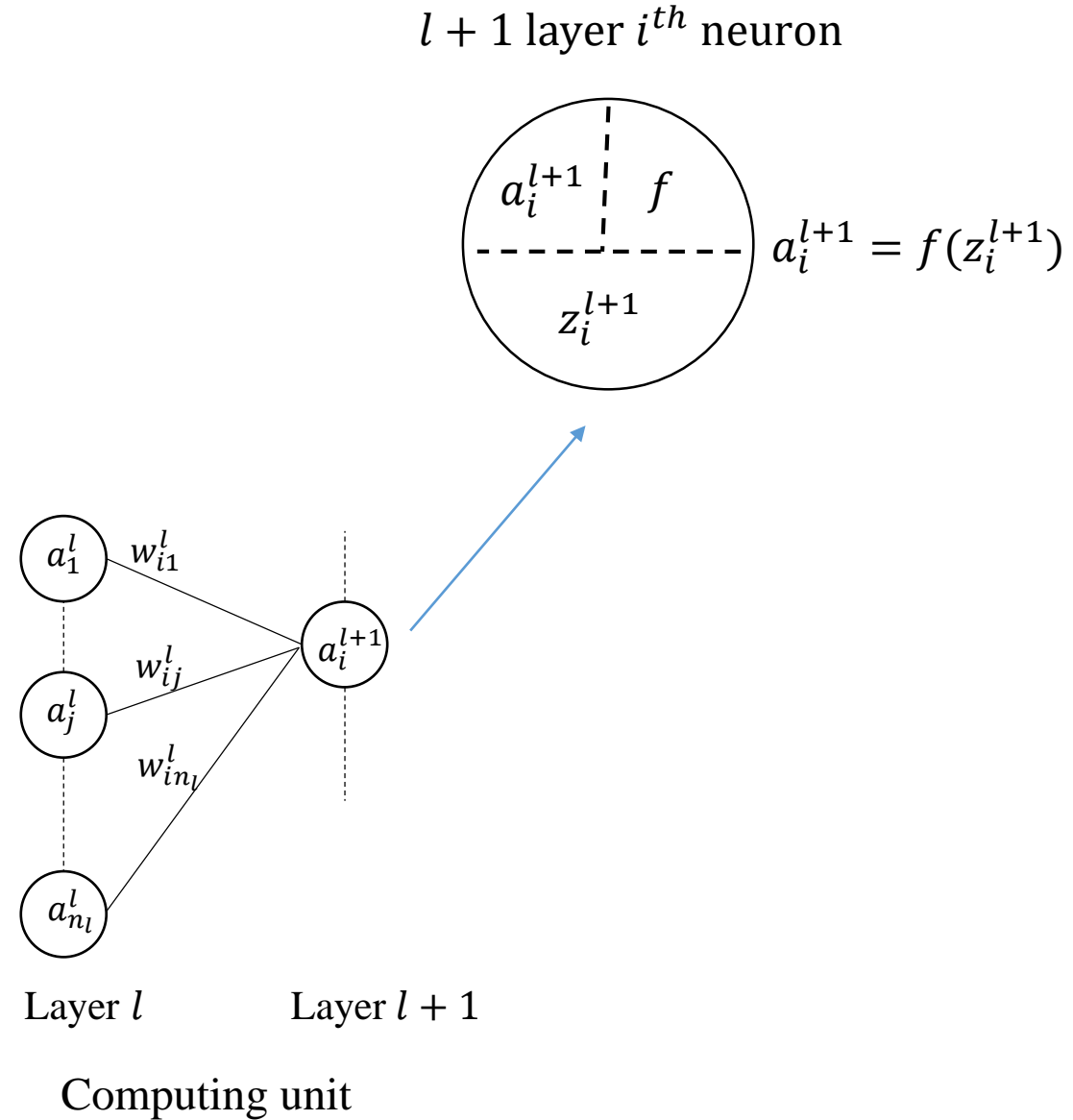
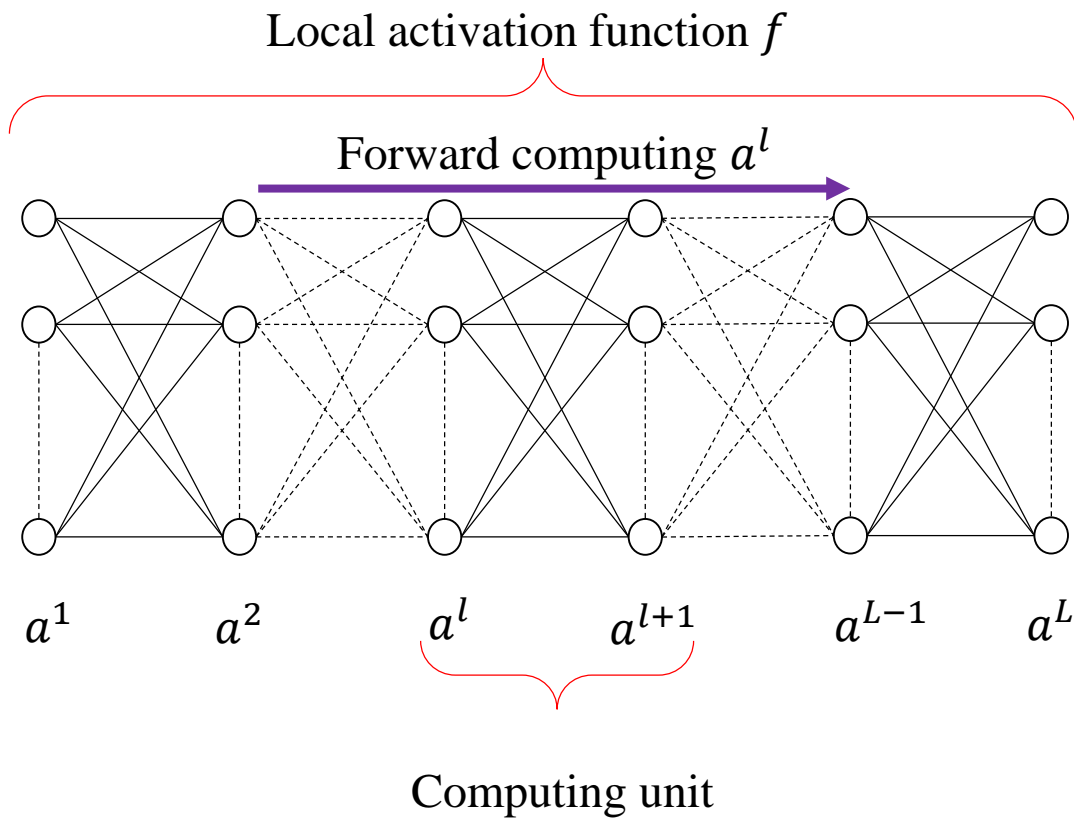
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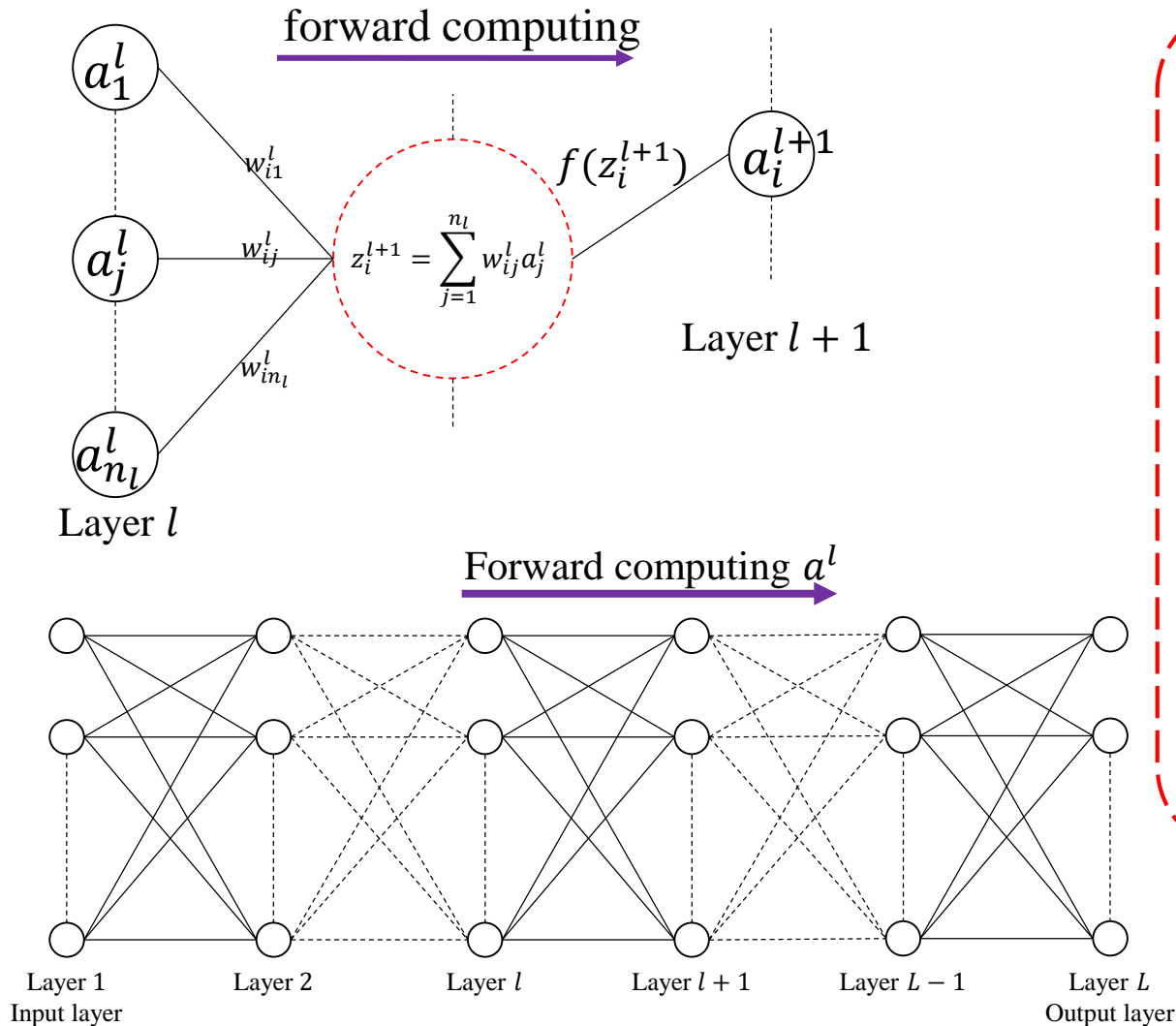
Basic Model 3



Forward Computing



One page to understand forward computing



Component form

$$\begin{cases} a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1}) \\ z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l \end{cases}$$

$$a_i^{l+1} = f\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l\right)$$

Vector form

$$\begin{cases} a^{l+1} = f(z^{l+1}) \\ z^{l+1} = w^l a^l \end{cases}$$

Algorithm:

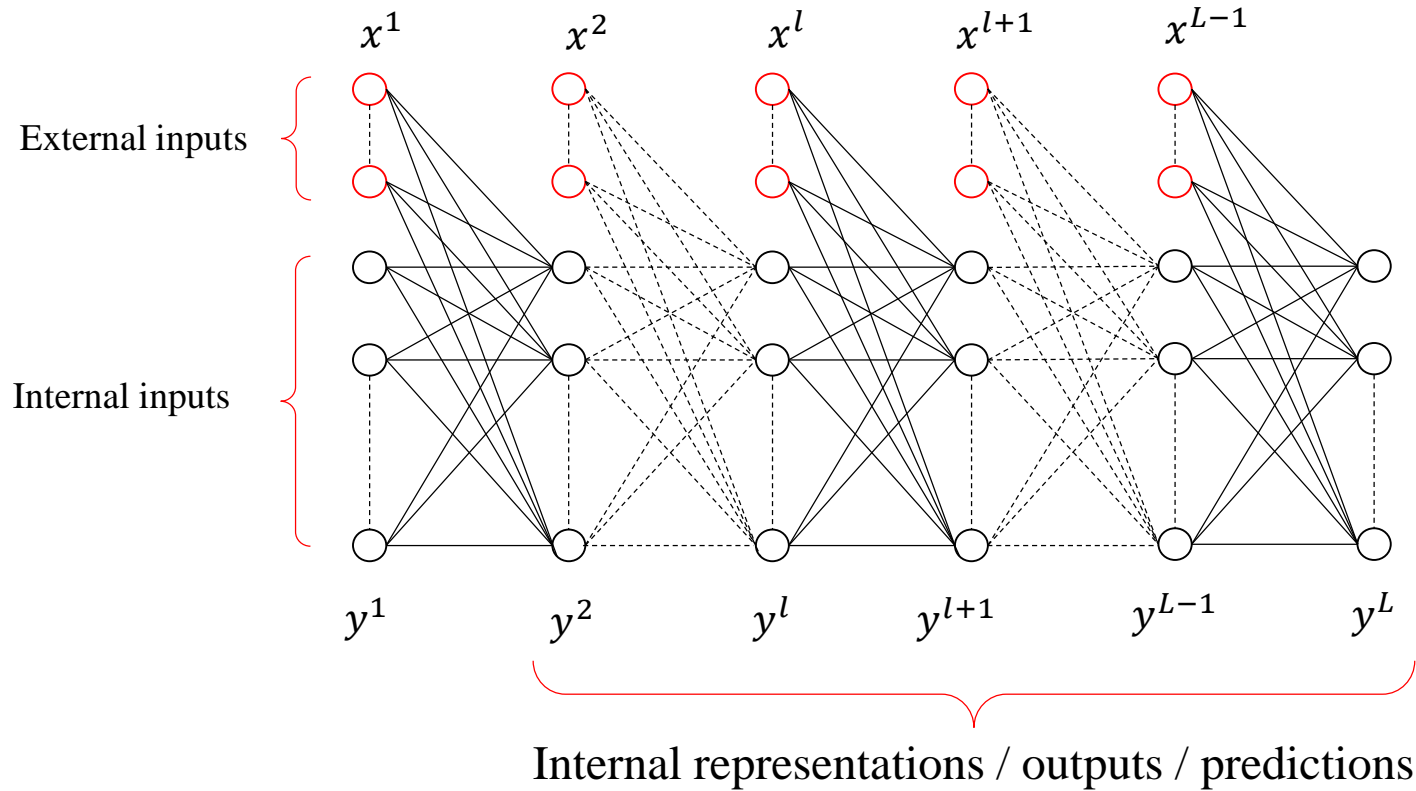
Input W^l, a^1
 for $l = 1:L$
 $a^{l+1} = fc(W^l, a^l)$
 return

Function $fc(W^l, a^l)$

for $i = 1:n_{l+1}$
 $z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$
 $a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$

end

External Inputs



External inputs:

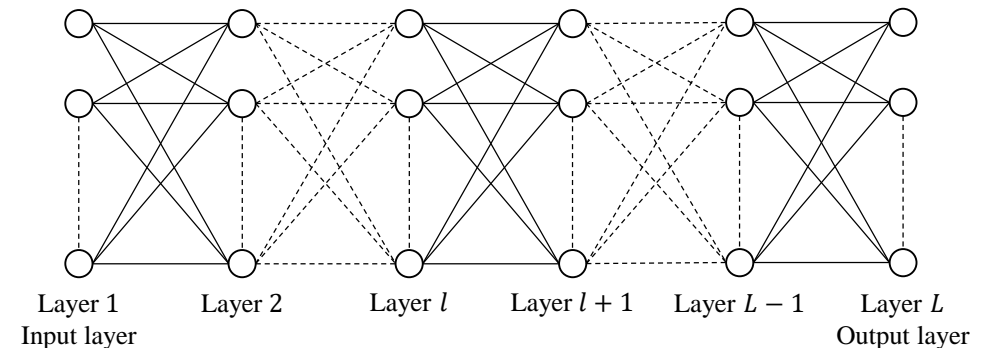
If neurons in l layer are not connected to any neurons in previous layer, these neurons are called external inputs of $l + 1$ layer. External inputs can exist in any layer except the last one.

$$a^l = \begin{bmatrix} x^l \\ y^l \end{bmatrix}$$

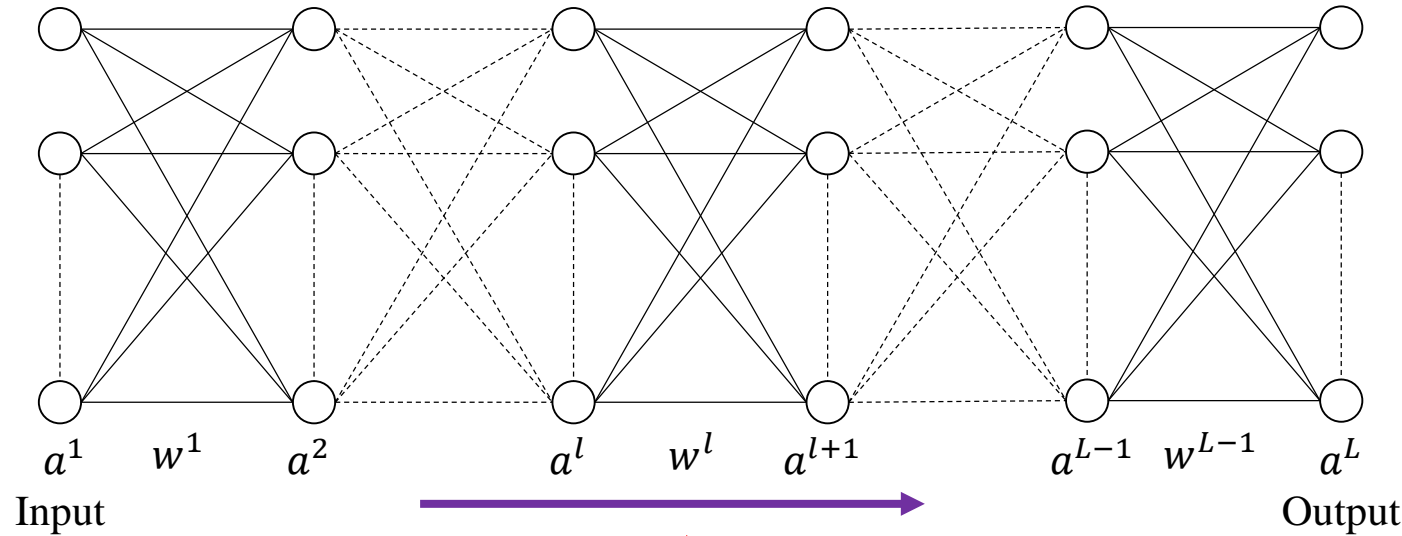
$$z^{l+1} = W^l a^l$$

$$y^{l+1} = f(z^{l+1})$$

$$a^{l+1} = \begin{bmatrix} x^{l+1} \\ y^{l+1} \end{bmatrix}$$



Nonlinear Mapping / Dynamical Systems



A neural network can be looked as a nonlinear mapping or a dynamical system.

$$a^L = f \left(W^{L-1} f \left(W^{L-2} f \left(W^{L-3} \dots f(W^1 a^1) \right) \right) \right)$$

R^{n_1}

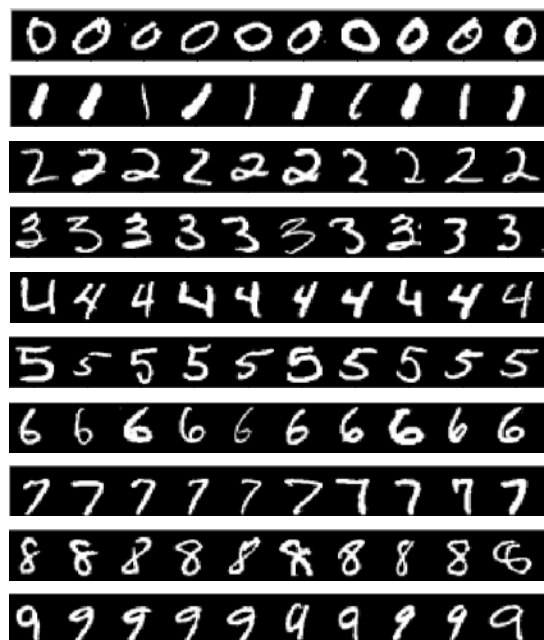
R^{n_L}

Nonlinear mapping

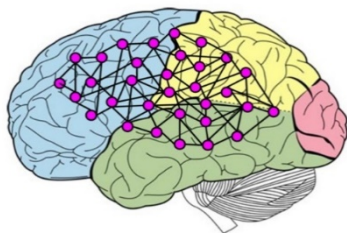
$$a_i^{l+1} = f \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l \right) \xrightarrow{l \rightarrow t} a_i(t+1) = f \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_t} w_{ij}(t) a_j(t) \right)$$

Discrete time dynamical system

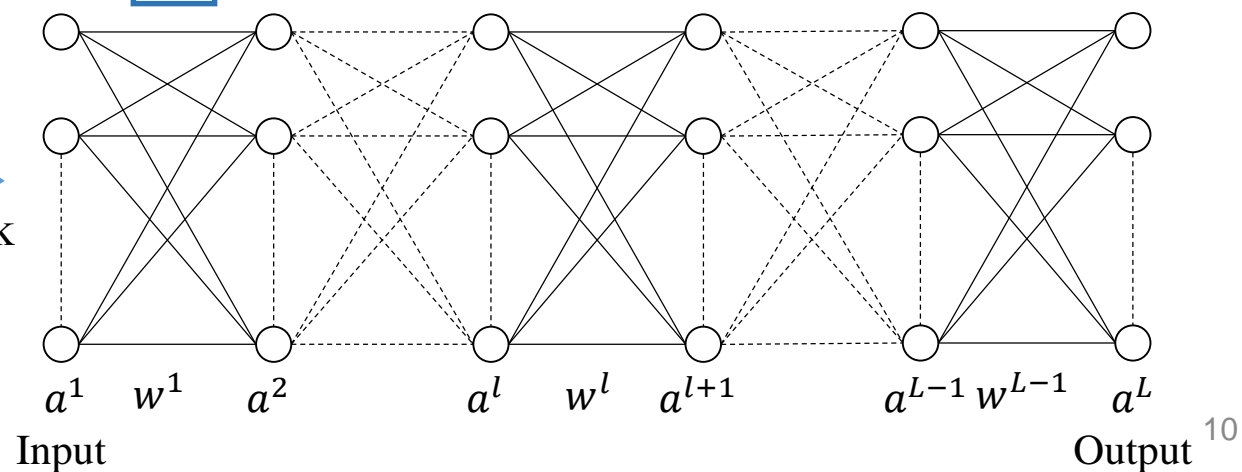
Handwritten digits recognition



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Artificial neural network



The human brain is so powerful so that any child can recognize the handwritten digits easily.
Two important factors:

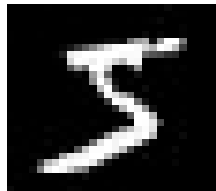
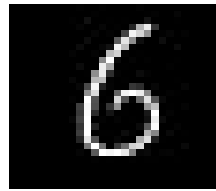
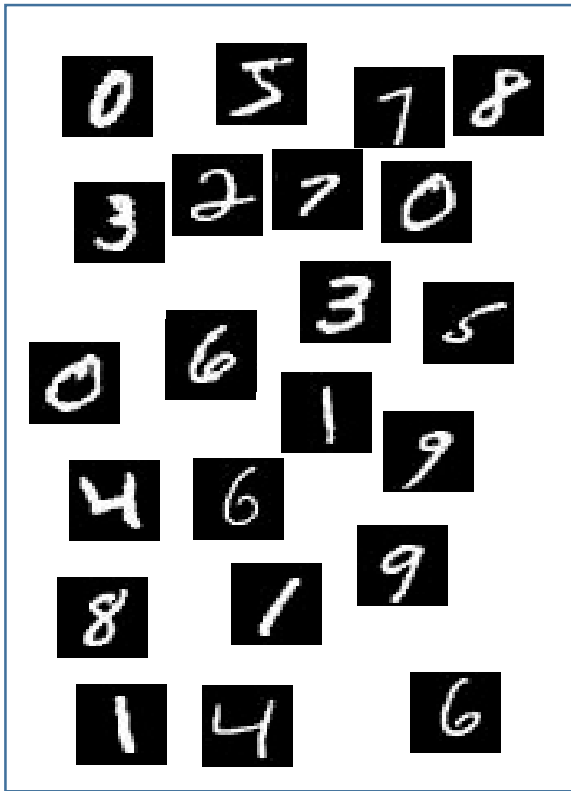
1. The brain has the structured ability.
2. Learning ability.

Next: How to develop learning methods to train the artificial network model?

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Network Performance: Cost Function



Training



Good Performance!

*The father knows the
correct answer.*

Supervised Learning

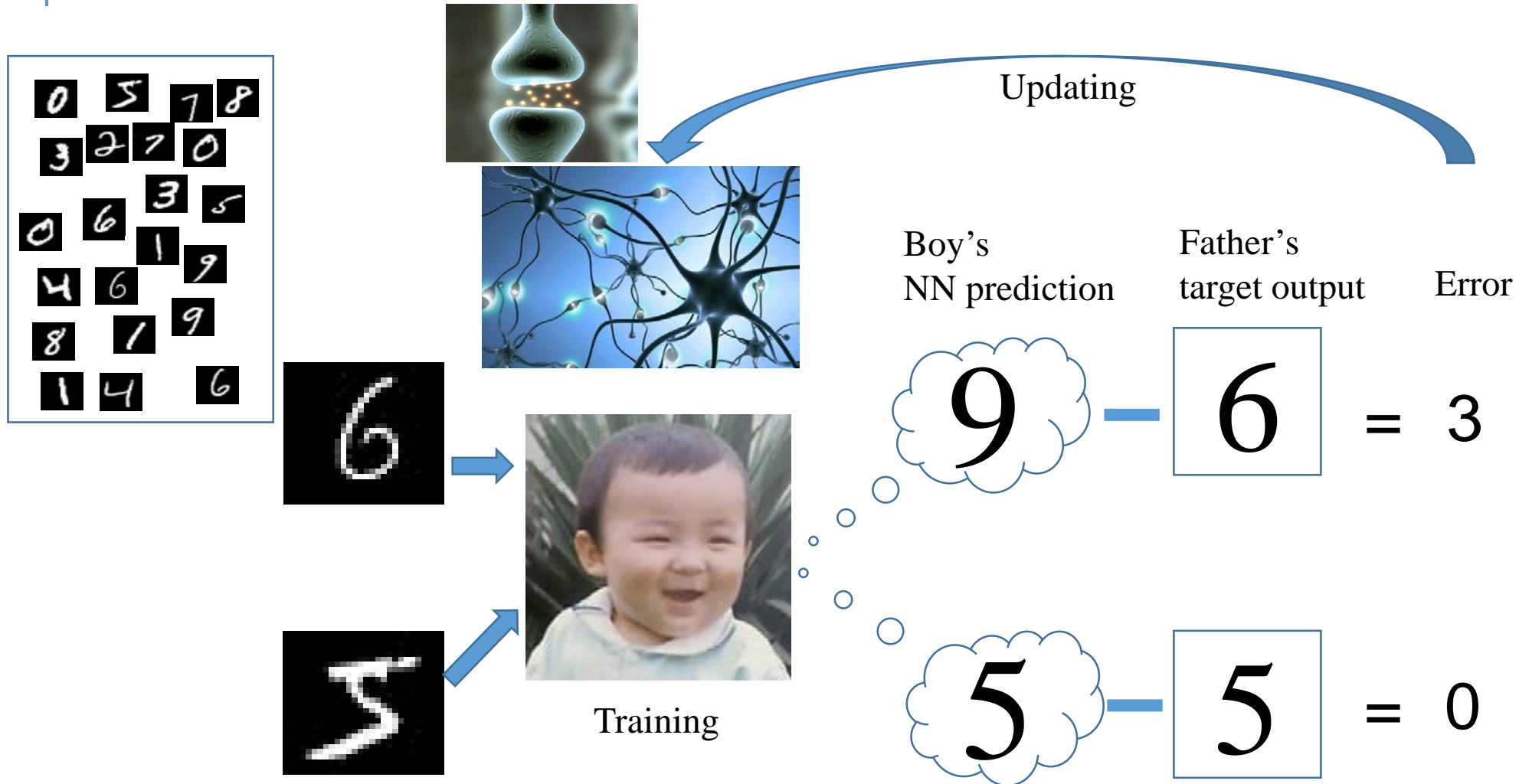
Two important factors:

1. There must be a measure to measure the correctness between correct answer and the boy's real output. -----
Performance function.
2. There must be a mechanism to change the knowledge system of the boy. ----
Learning algorithm.

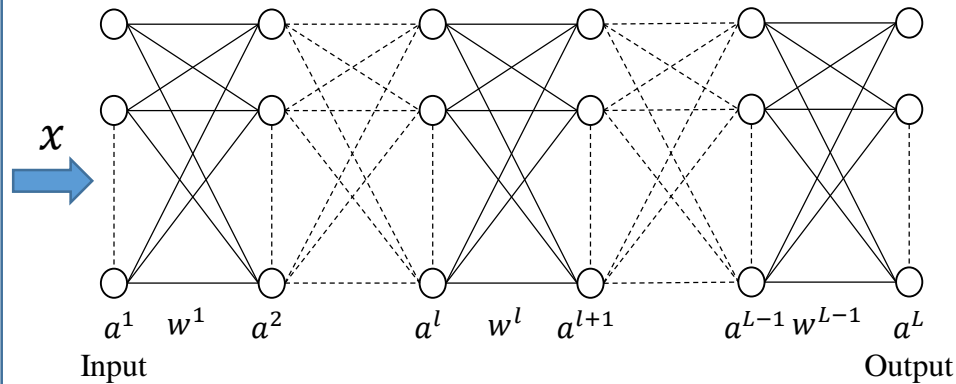
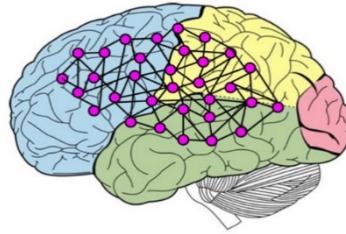
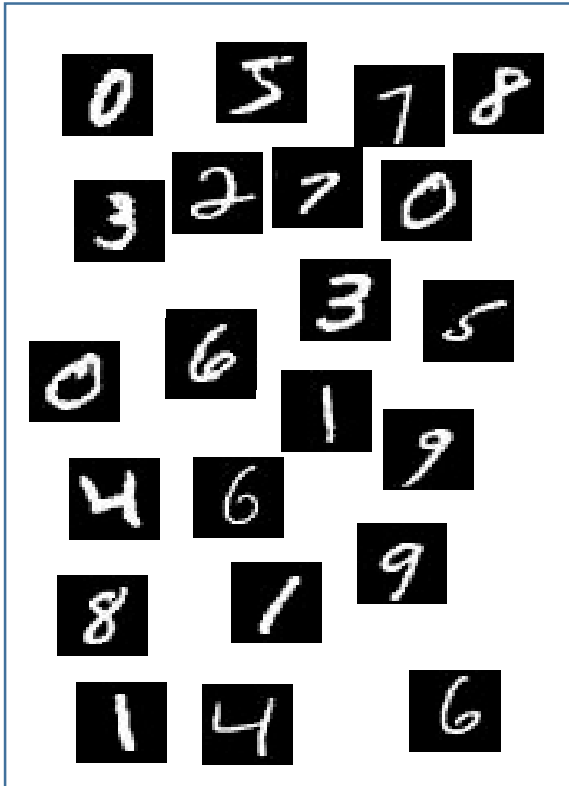
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Network Performance: Cost Function



Network Performance: Cost Function



updating the weights: Learning algorithm

Network prediction

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

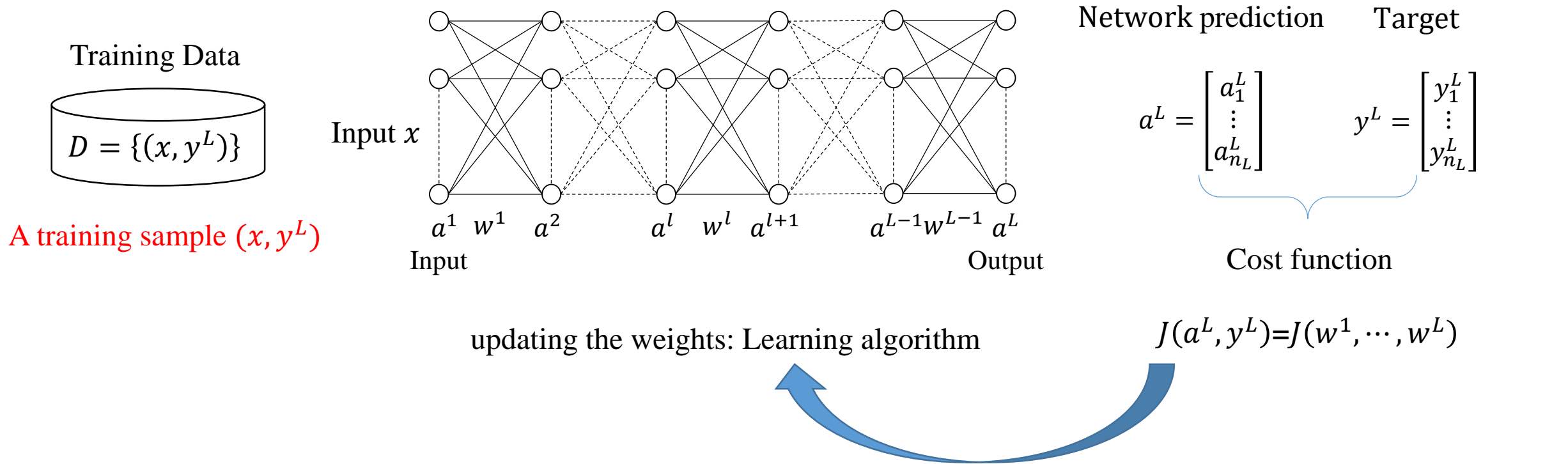
Target

$$y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J(a^L, y^L)$$

Performance function $J(a^L, y^L)$, or **cost function**, is used to describe the distance between a^L and y^L , $J(a^L, y^L)$ is indeed a function of (w^1, \dots, w^L) , i.e.,
 $J = J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$.

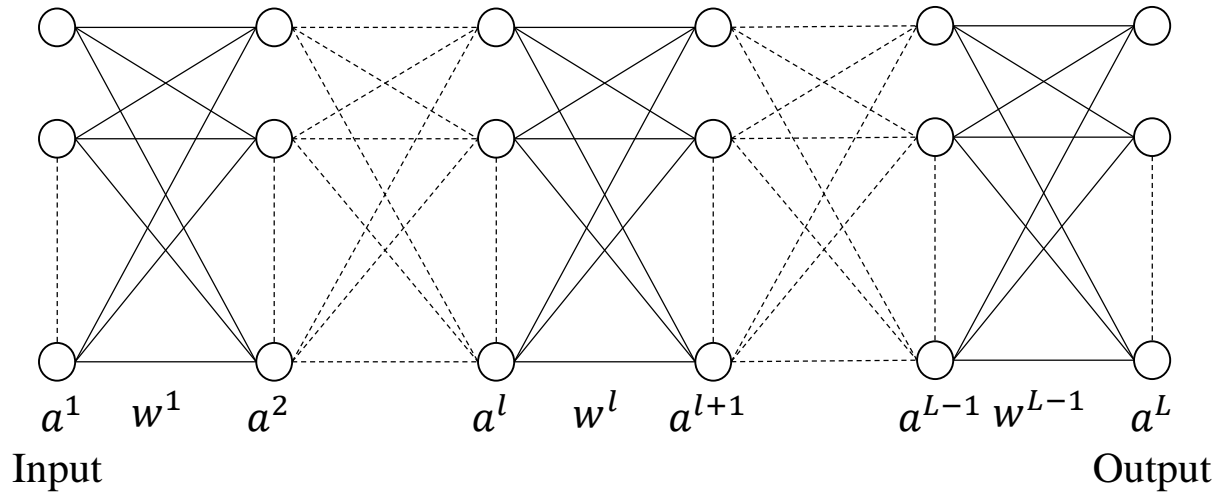
Supervised Learning



Problem: How to construct a cost function?

In supervised learning, each training sample contains input and the associated target output.

Network Performance: Cost Function



A cost function J describes the performance of the network. If the J is small, it implies that the network prediction a^L close to the target y^L , the network is called in good performance. Since J is a function with variables (w^1, \dots, w^L) , good performance means to find suitable (w^1, \dots, w^L) such that J is small. The process of looking for suitable (w^1, \dots, w^L) is called network learning.

Problem: How to learn?

Target

$$y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

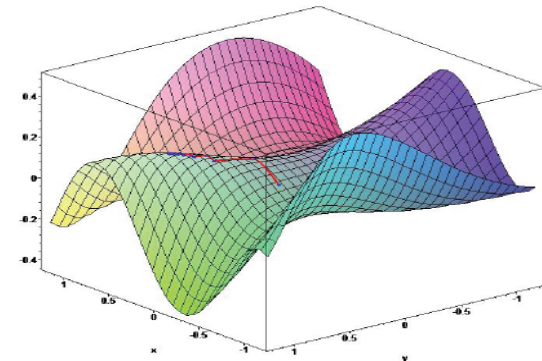
Network prediction

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

There are many ways to construct cost functions. A frequently used cost is as follows:

$$e_j = a_j^L - y_j^L$$
$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2 = J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$$

Clearly, J is a function of w^1, \dots, w^L .



Network Performance: Cost Function

Learning is a process such that a^L is close to y^L , i.e., the cost function J reaches minimum. A cost function $J = J(w^1, \dots, w^{L-1})$ is a function with variables $w^l (l = 1, \dots, L)$, thus the network learning is to looking for some $w^l (l = 1, \dots, L)$ such that $w^l (l = 1, \dots, L)$ is a minimum point of J .

Problem: How to find out the minimum points of J ?

Network prediction

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

Target

$$y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

Network prediction

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

A frequently used cost function:

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2 = J(w^1, \dots, w^L)$$

J is a function of w^1, \dots, w^L .

Learning = Looking for minimum points $w^l (l = 1, \dots, L)$ of J

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Minimum Points

General Nonlinear function

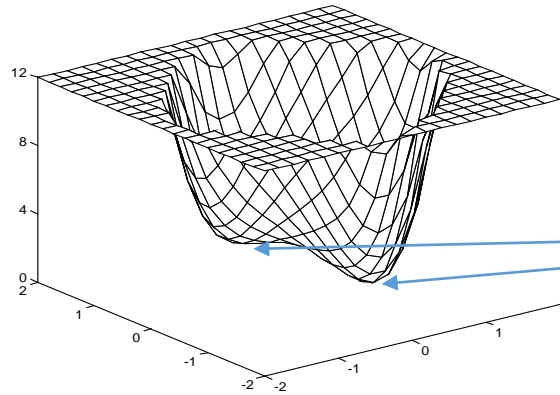
$$J(w), w \in R^n$$

w^* is a minimum point if

$$J(w^*) \leq J(w)$$

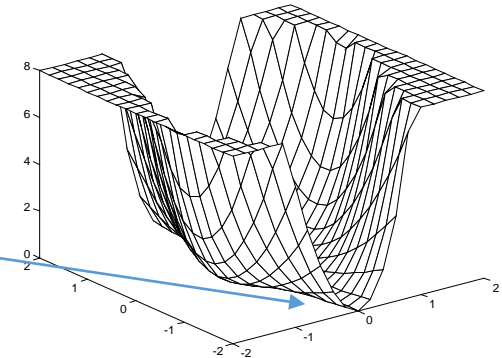
for any w that very close to w^* .

$$J(w_1, w_2) = (w_2 - w_1)^4 + 8w_1w_2 - w_1 + w_2 + 3$$

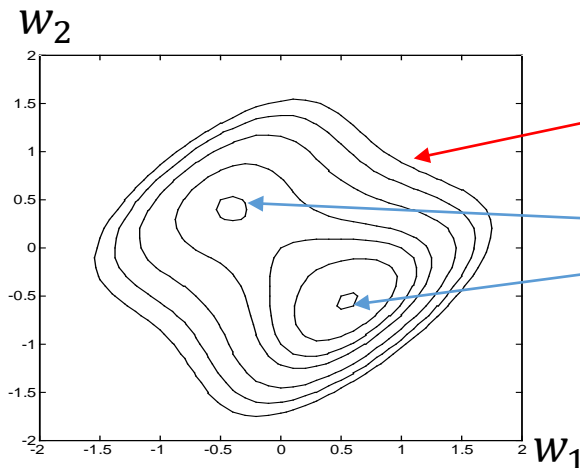


Minima

$$J(w_1, w_2) = (w_1^2 - 1.5w_1w_2 + 2w_2^2)w_1^2$$

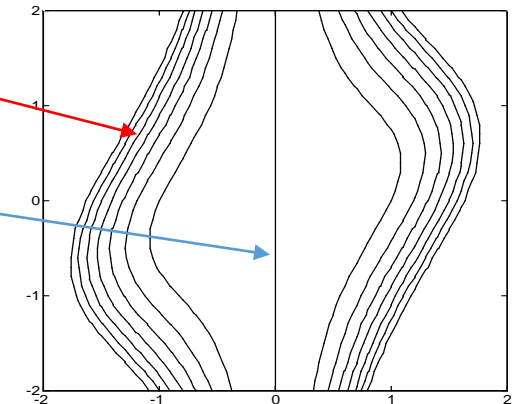


Contour



Minimum points

Problem:
How to find the minimum points?

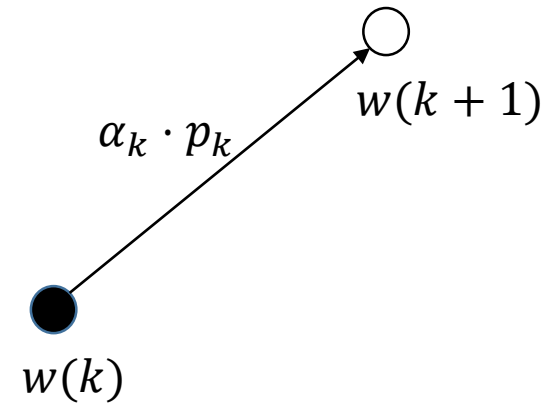
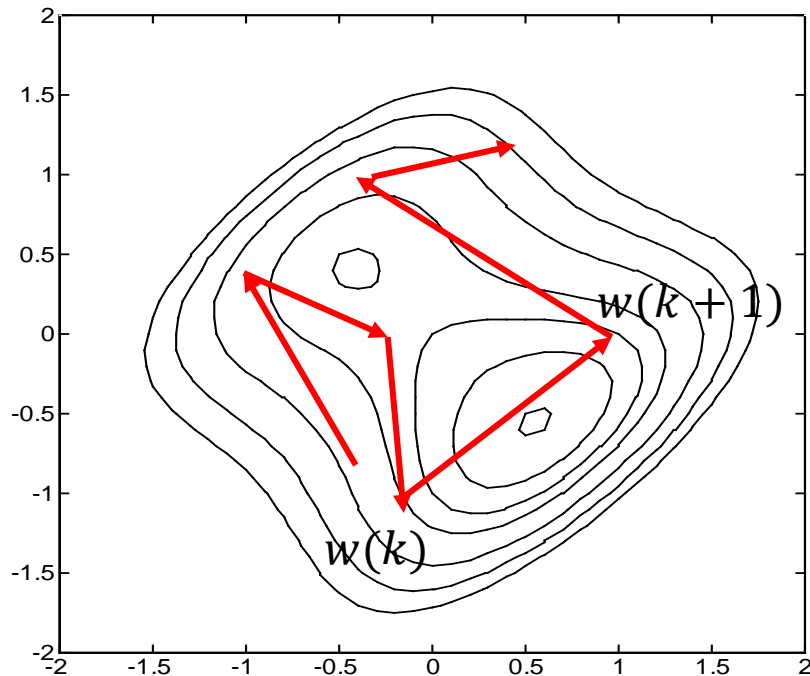
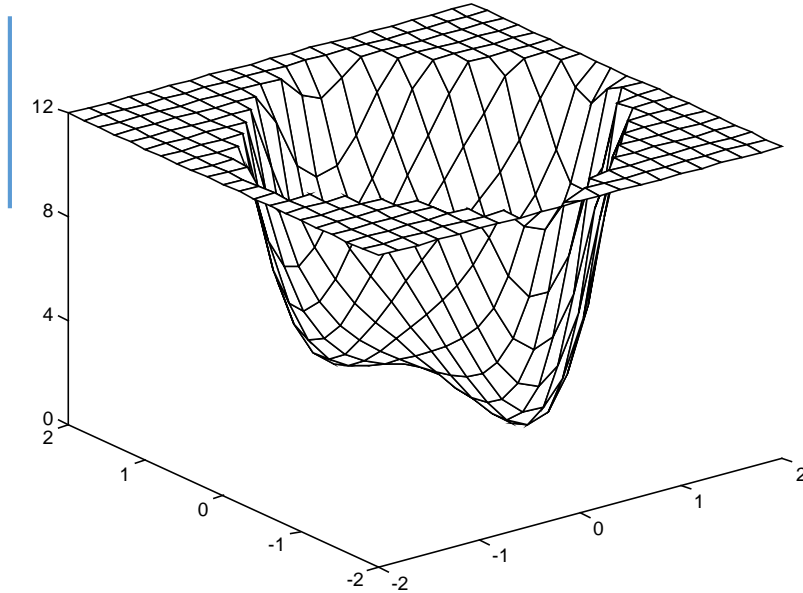


Iteration Method

Finding a minimum point step by step

$$w(k+1) = w(k) + \alpha_k \cdot p_k$$

To begin the iteration, you must need a given starting point w_0 .

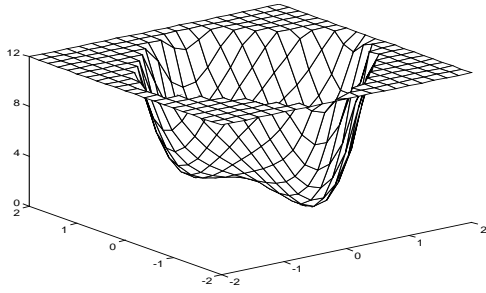


p_k is called searching direction

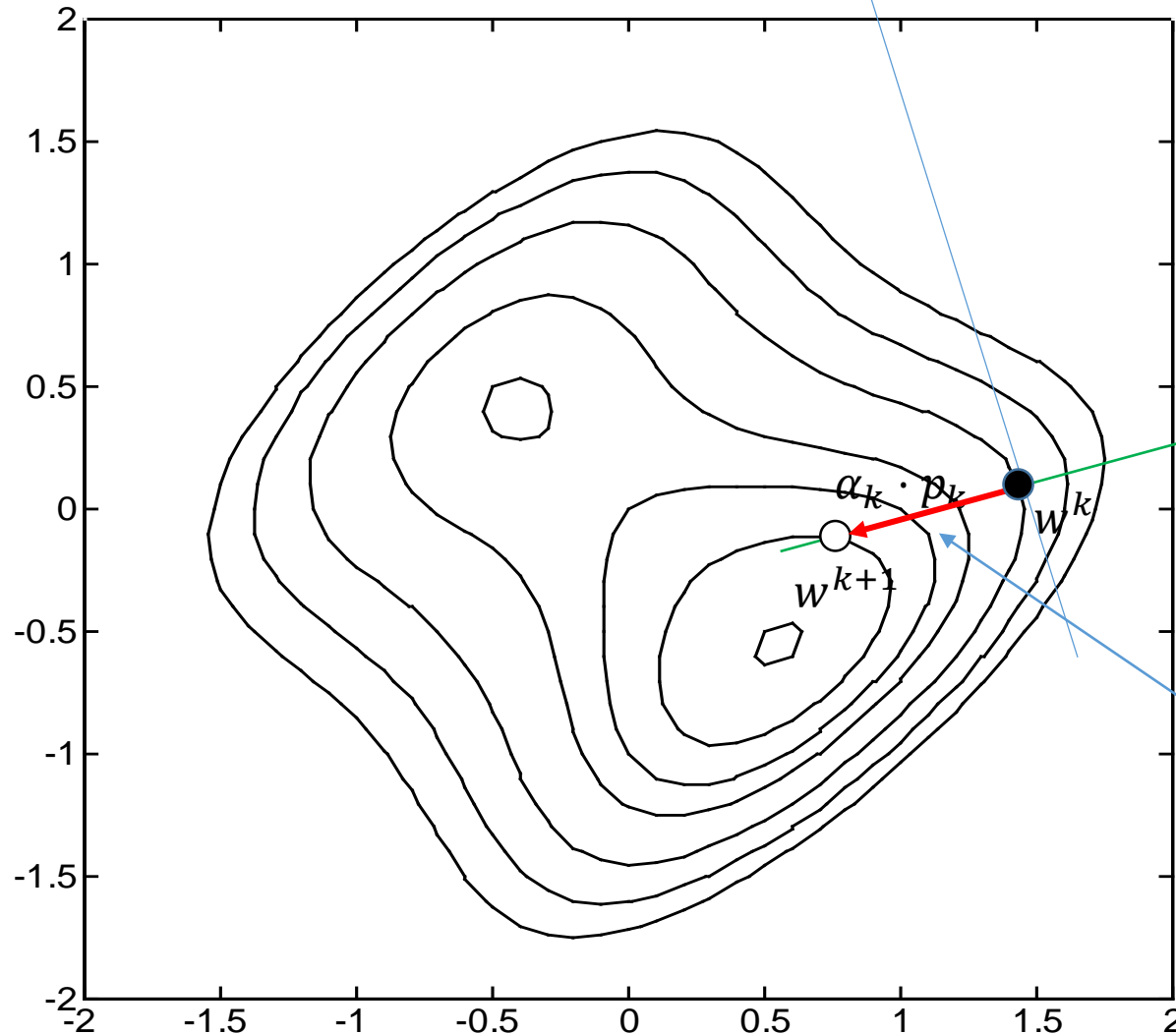
α_k is learning rate at step k .

Problem: How to get the searching direction p_k ?

Steepest Descent Method



Slowest changing direction



Fastest increasing direction

Gradient:

$$g_k = \nabla J(w) \Big|_{w(k)} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial w} \Big|_{w(k)} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_n} \end{pmatrix} \Big|_{w(k)}$$

Steepest Descent Algorithm:

$$p_k = -g_k$$

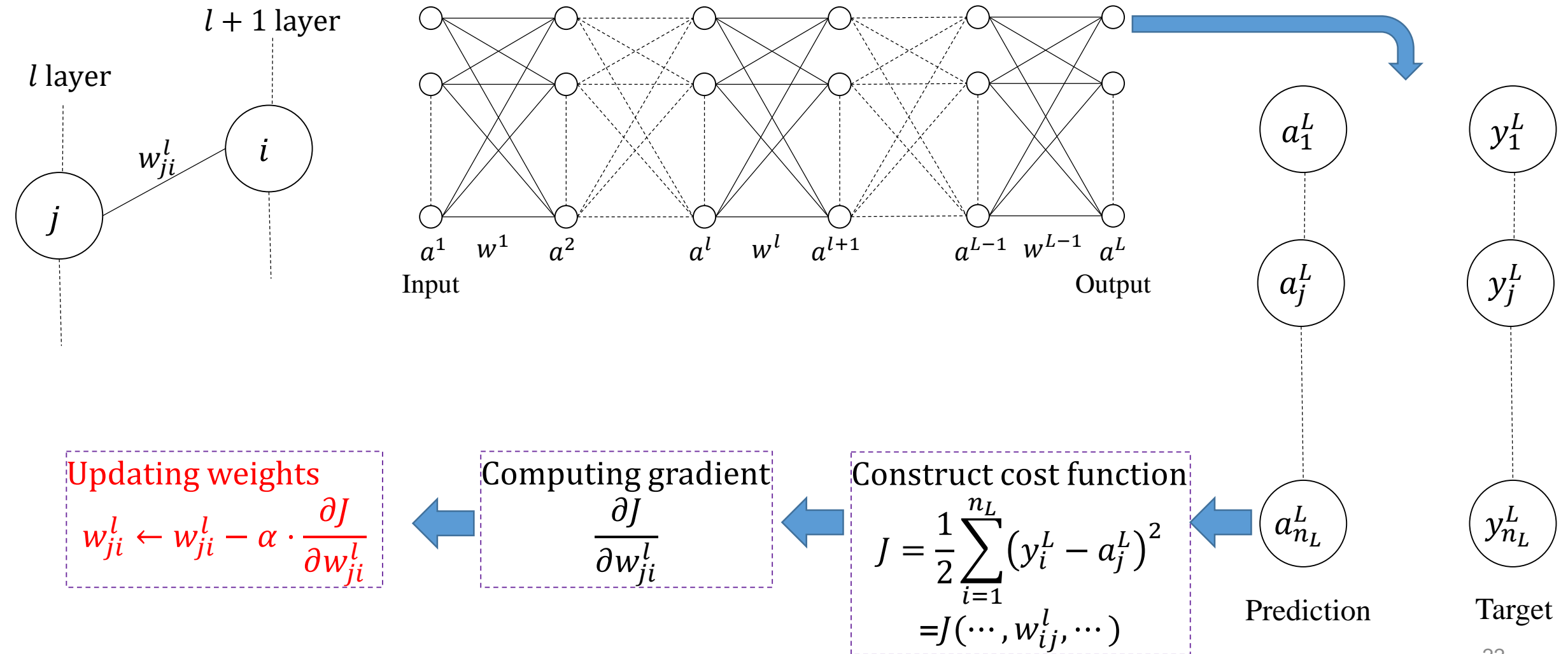
$$w(k+1) = w(k) - \alpha_k \cdot g_k$$

or

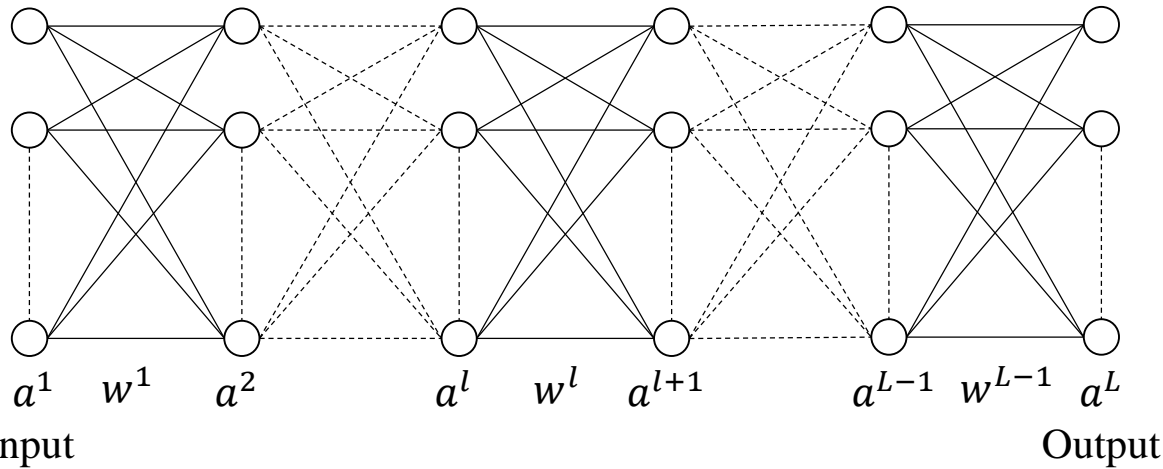
$$w(k+1) = w(k) - \alpha_k \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w} \Big|_{w(k)}$$

Steepest descent direction

Steepest Descent Method



Steepest Descent Method



Steepest Descent Method

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} (a_j^L - y_j^L)^2 = J(\dots, w_{ij}^l, \dots)$$

1. Computing

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$

2. Updating

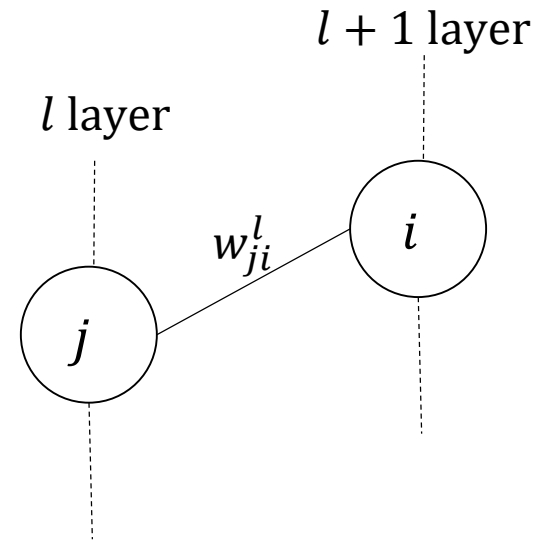
$$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$

Target

$$y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

prediction

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$



$$a^L = f(W^{L-1}a^{L-1}) = f\left(W^{L-1}f\left(W^{L-2}f\left(W^{L-3}\dots f(W^1a^1)\right)\right)\right)$$

Problem: How to compute $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$?

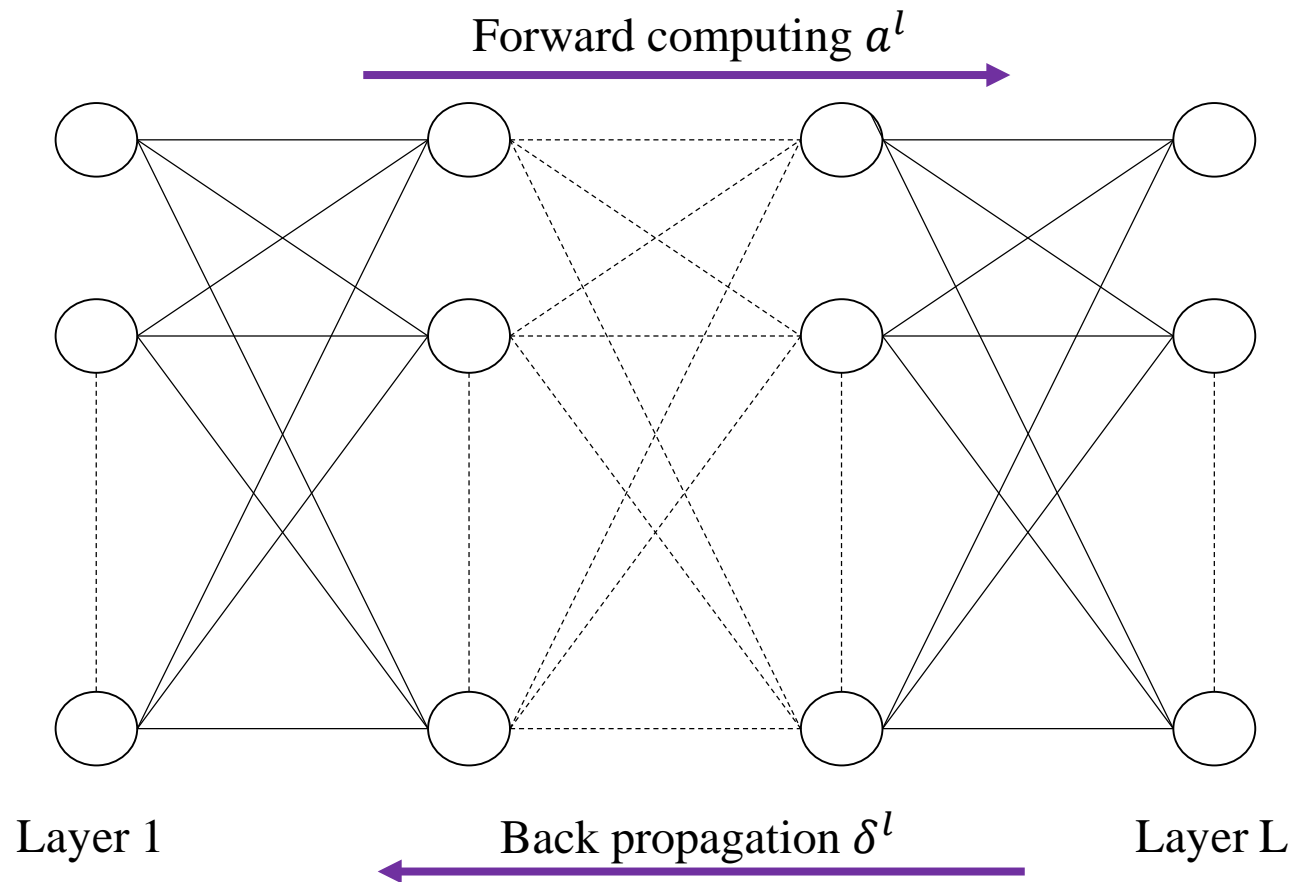
Answer:

Using the well-known BP method.

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Backpropagation



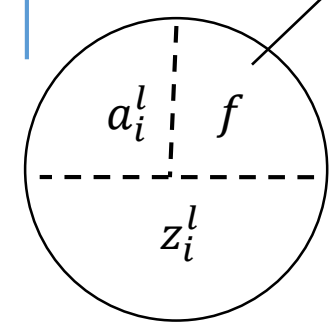
Backpropagation is a
efficient way to calculate

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$

Cost function:

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} e_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} (a_j^L - y_j^L)^2$$

Local function defined on neuron

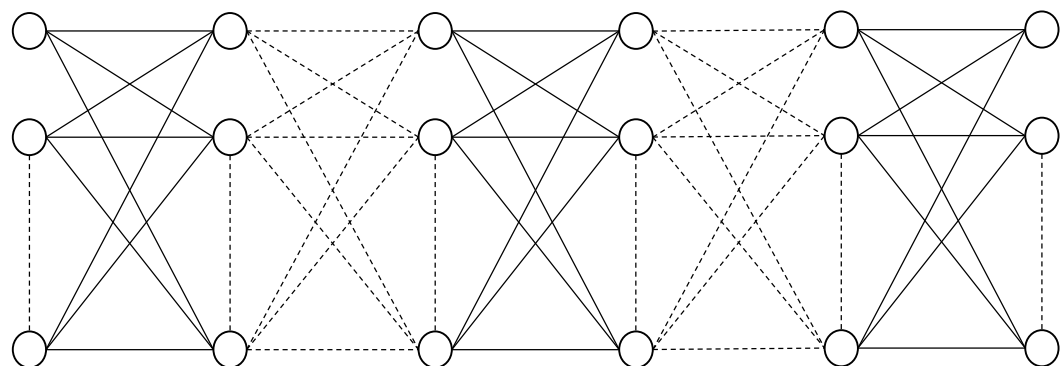
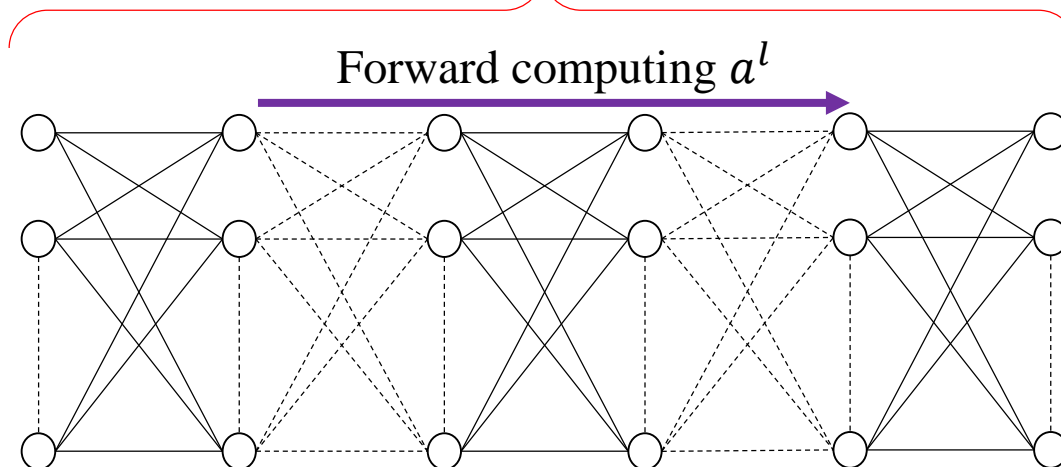


$$a_i^l = f(z_i^l)$$

$$a^l = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^l \\ a_2^l \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_l}^l \end{bmatrix}$$

l layer i^{th} neuron

Local activation function f

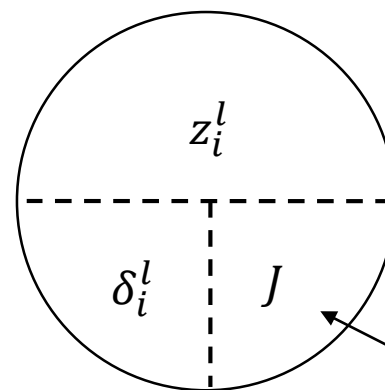


Backpropagation δ^l

Global cost function J

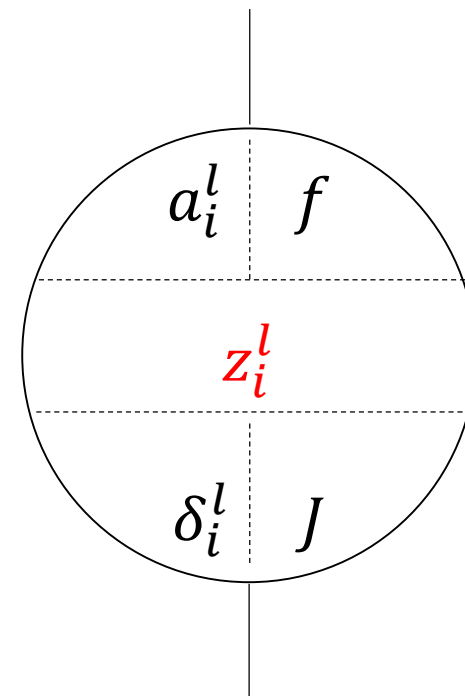
l layer i^{th} neuron

$$\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}$$



$$\delta^l = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1^l \\ \delta_2^l \\ \vdots \\ \delta_{n_l}^l \end{bmatrix}$$

Global function defined on network



l layer

Problem 1:

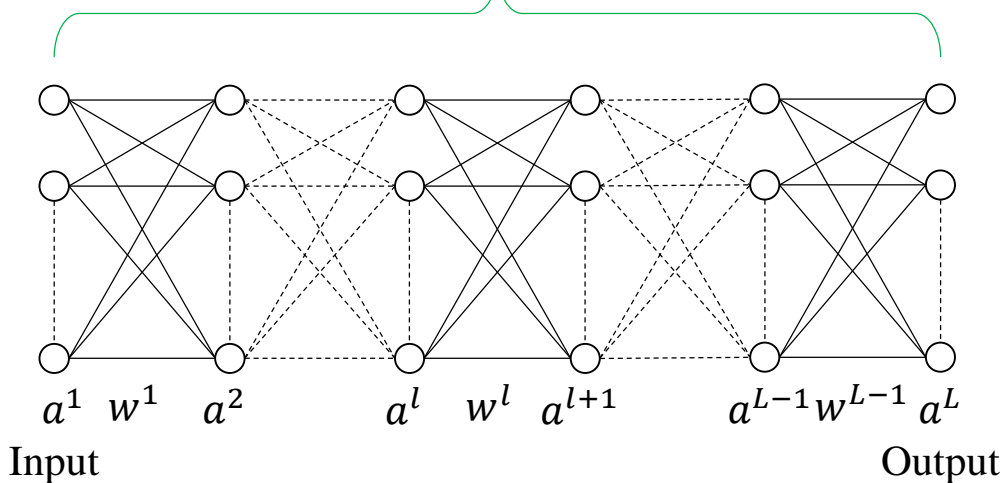
What's the relation between δ_i^l and $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$?

$l + 1$ layer

$$a_i^l = f(z_i^l)$$

define $\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}$

$J(W^1, \dots, W^{L-1})$



l layer

$$\frac{a_i^l = f(z_i^l)}{\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}}$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$

$$z_j^{l+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} w_{ji}^l a_i^l$$

$$\frac{a_j^{l+1} = f(z_j^{l+1})}{\delta_j^{l+1} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_j^{l+1}}}$$

Relation between δ_i^l and $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

Why?

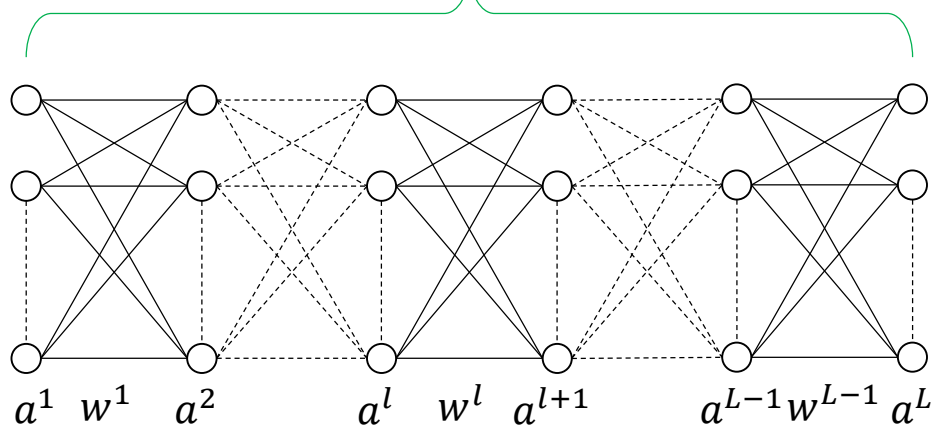
$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_j^{l+1}} \cdot \frac{\partial z_j^{l+1}}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

l layer

$$a_i^l = f(z_i^l)$$

define $\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l}$

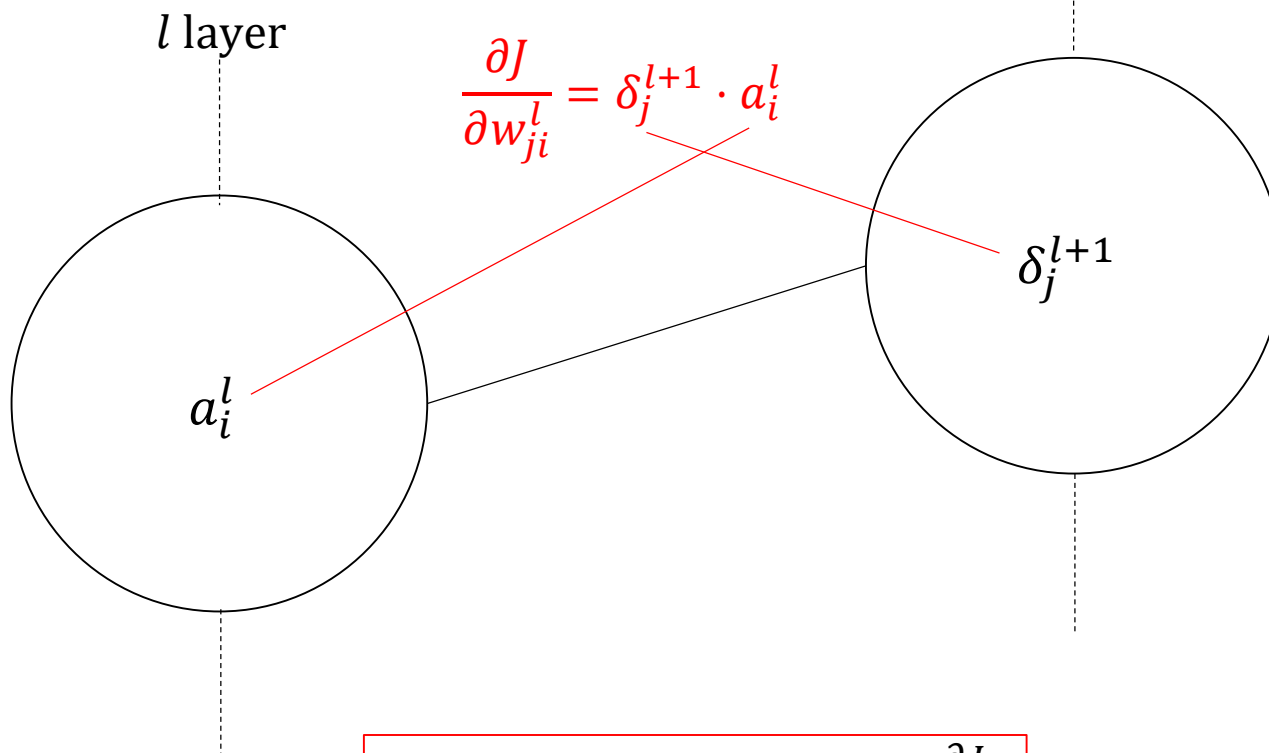
$J(W^1, \dots, W^{L-1})$



Input

Output

$l + 1$ layer

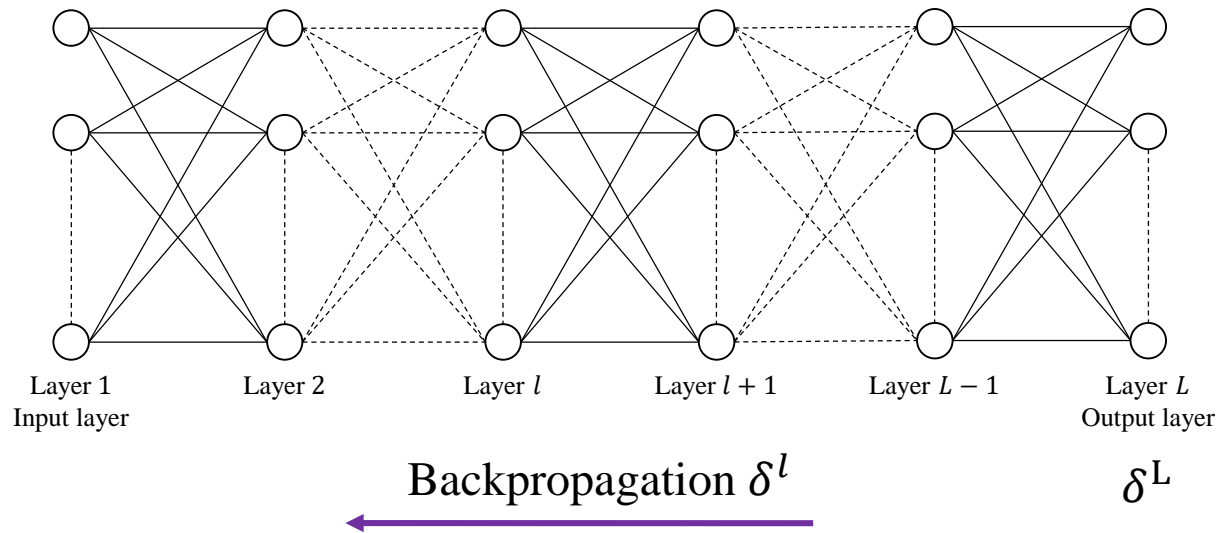


Relation between δ_i^l and $\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

Problem 2:

How to calculate the last layer's δ_j^L ?



By definition

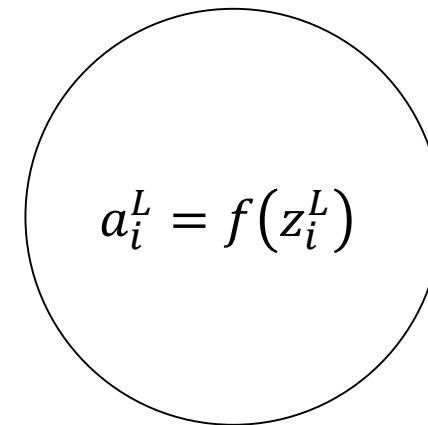
$$\delta_i^L = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^L}$$

If

$$J = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} (a_j^L - y_j^L)^2$$

then,

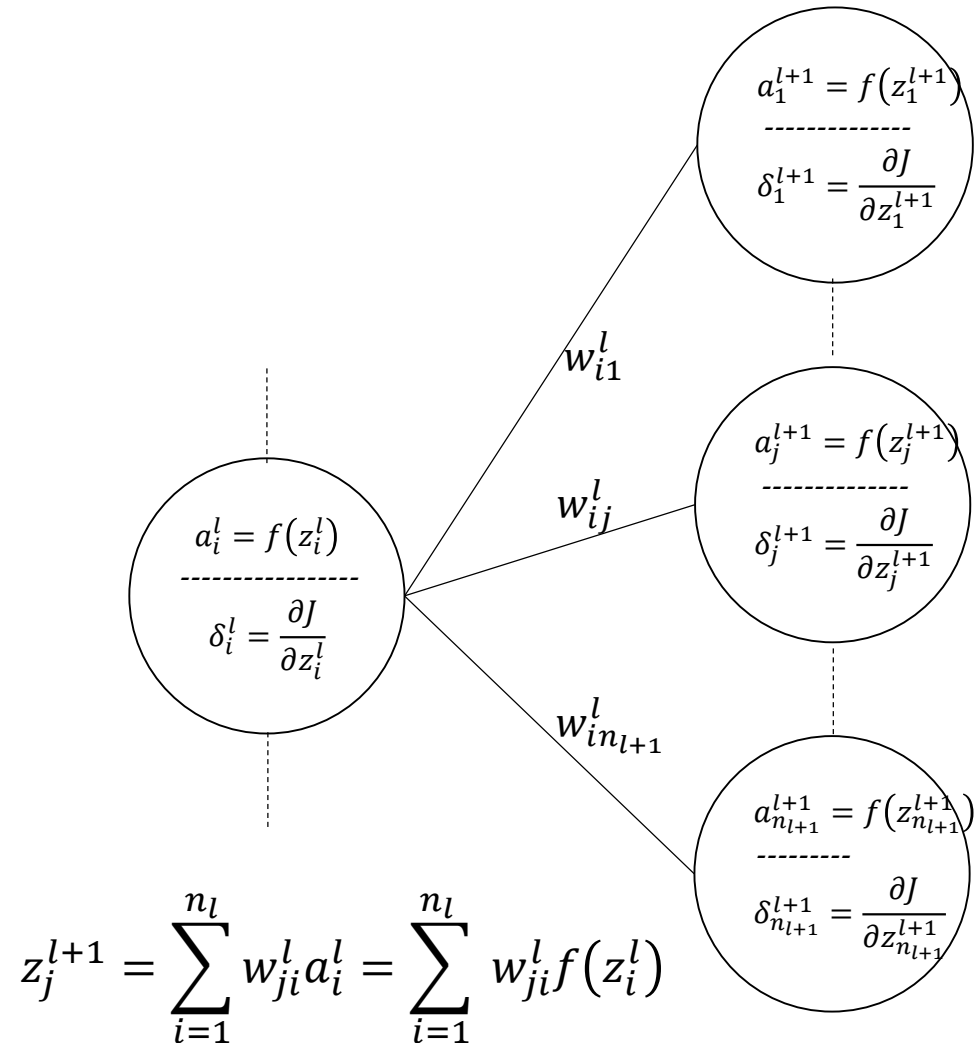
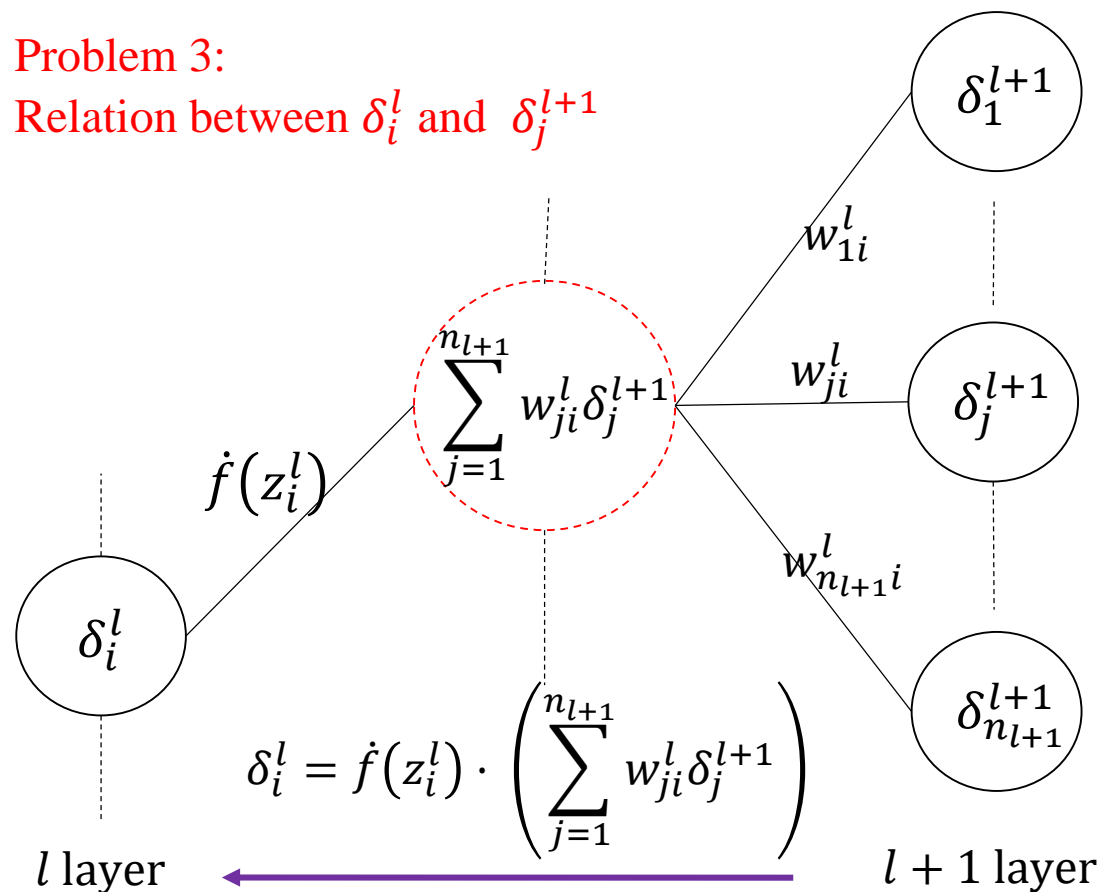
$$\delta_i^L = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^L} = (a_i^L - y_i^L) \cdot \frac{\partial a_i^L}{\partial z_i^L} = (a_i^L - y_i^L) \cdot f'(z_i^L)$$



L layer i^{th} neuron

Problem 3:

Relation between δ_i^l and δ_j^{l+1}



$$\delta_i^l = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_i^l} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} \frac{\partial J}{\partial z_j^{l+1}} \cdot \frac{\partial z_j^{l+1}}{\partial z_i^l} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot \frac{\partial z_j^{l+1}}{\partial z_i^l} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot w_{ji}^l \dot{f}(z_i^l) = \dot{f}(z_i^l) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot w_{ji}^l \right)$$

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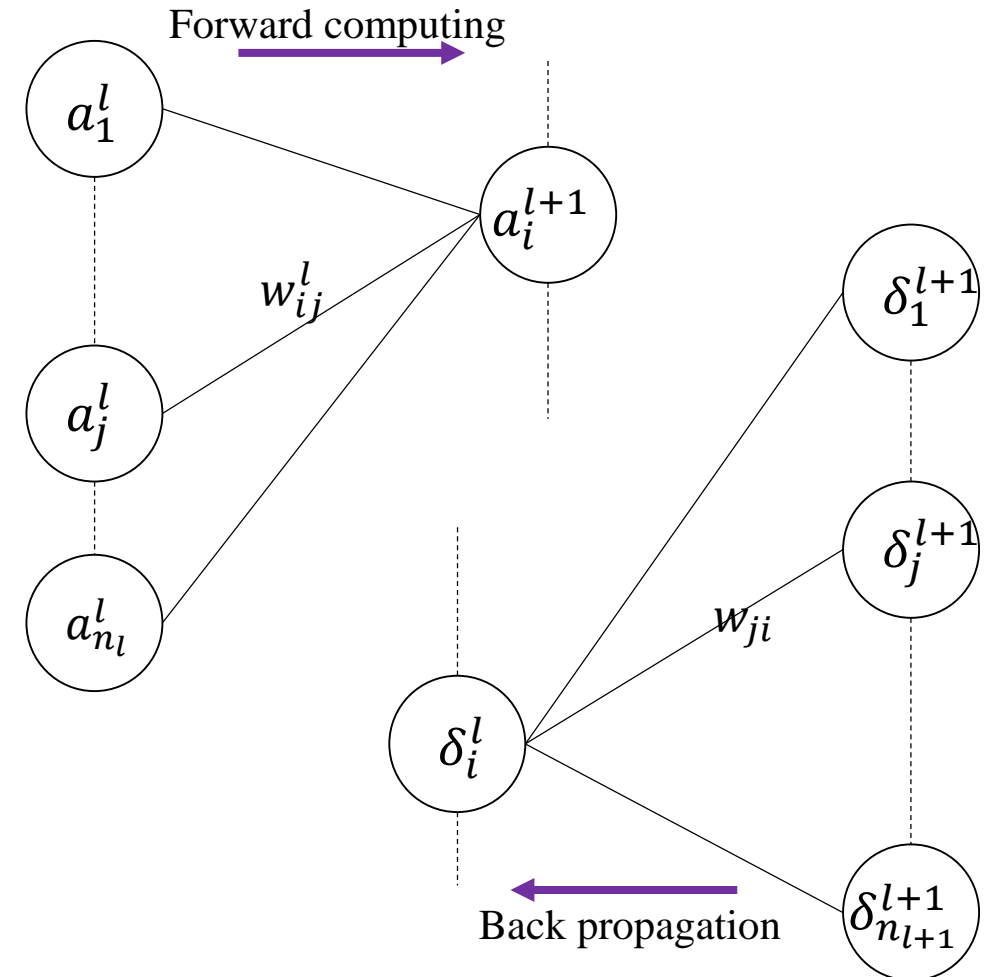
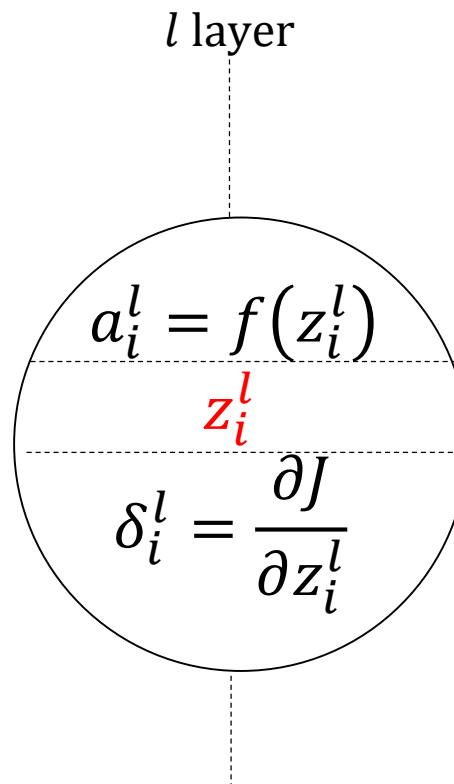
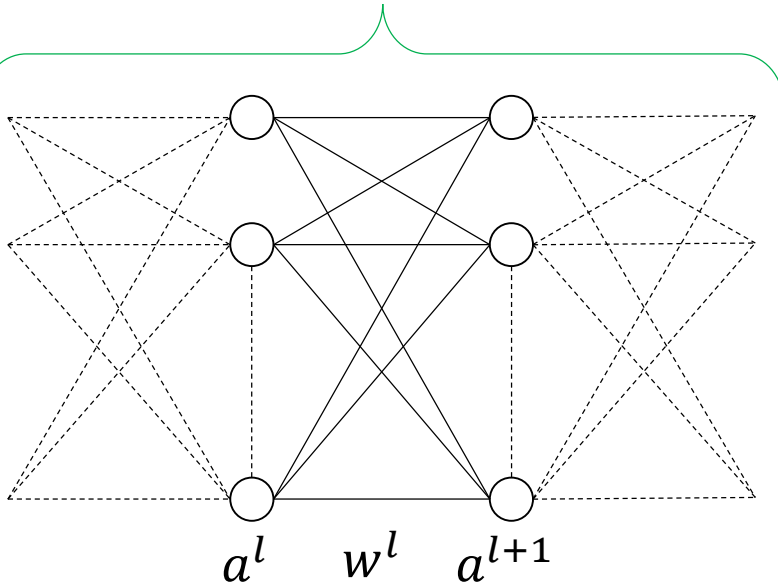
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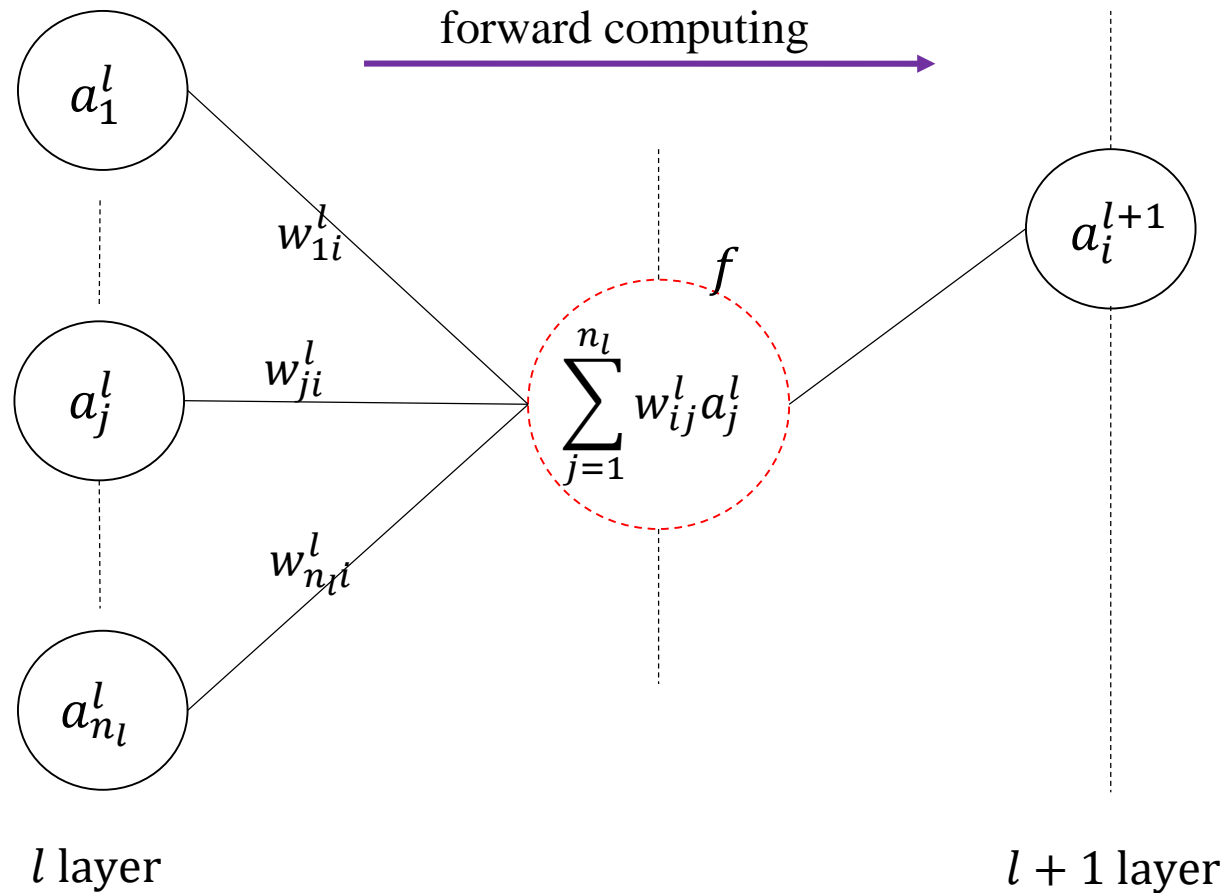
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$$a_i^{l+1} = f \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l \right)$$

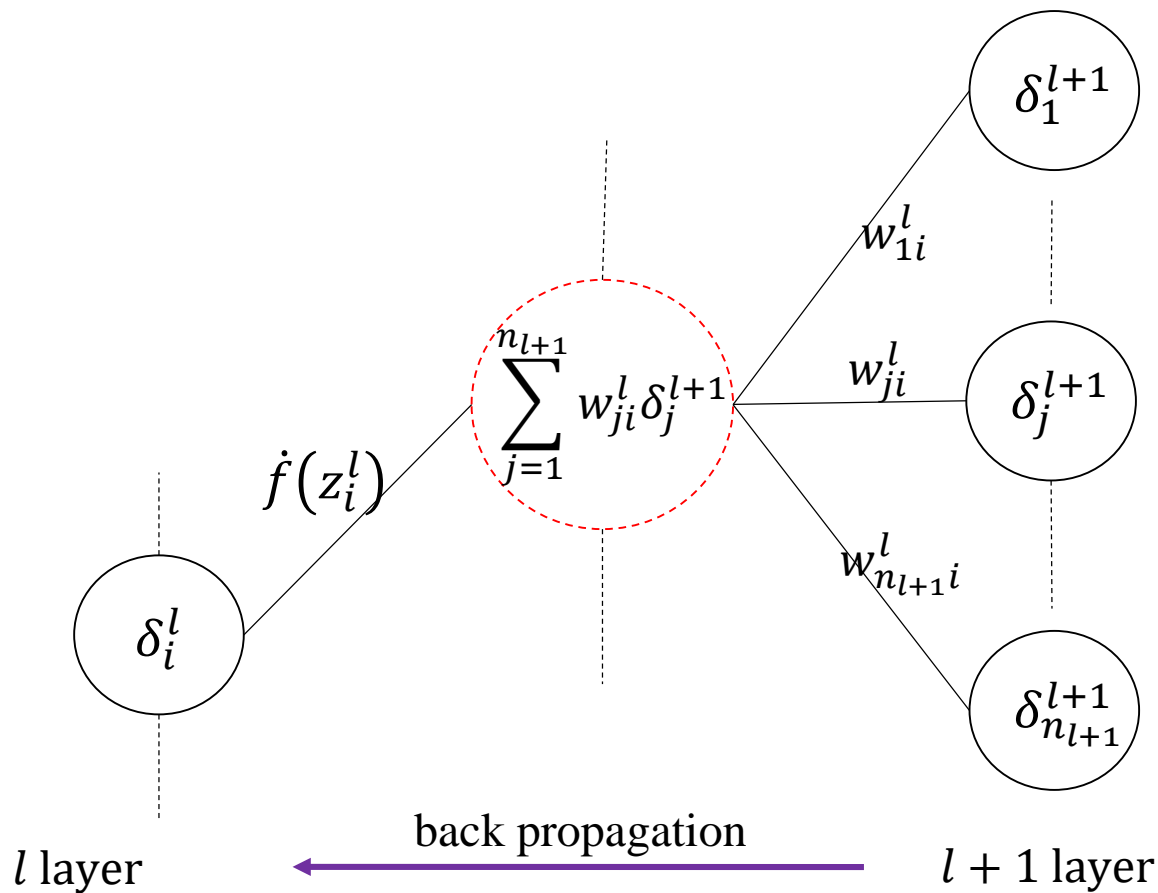
or -----

$$a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$$

$$z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$$

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$$\delta_i^l = \dot{f}(z_i^l) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_{l+1}} w_{ji}^l \delta_j^{l+1} \right)$$



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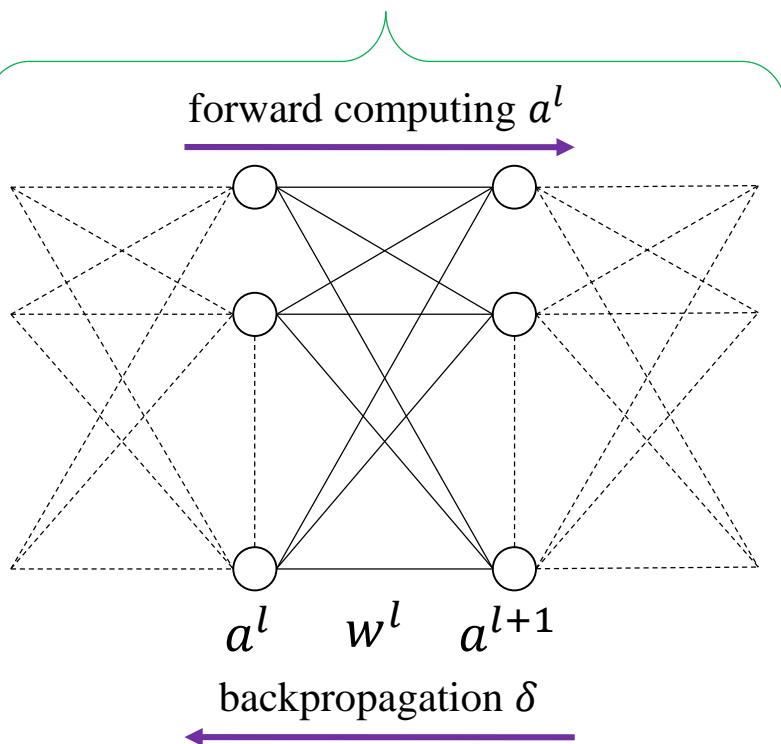
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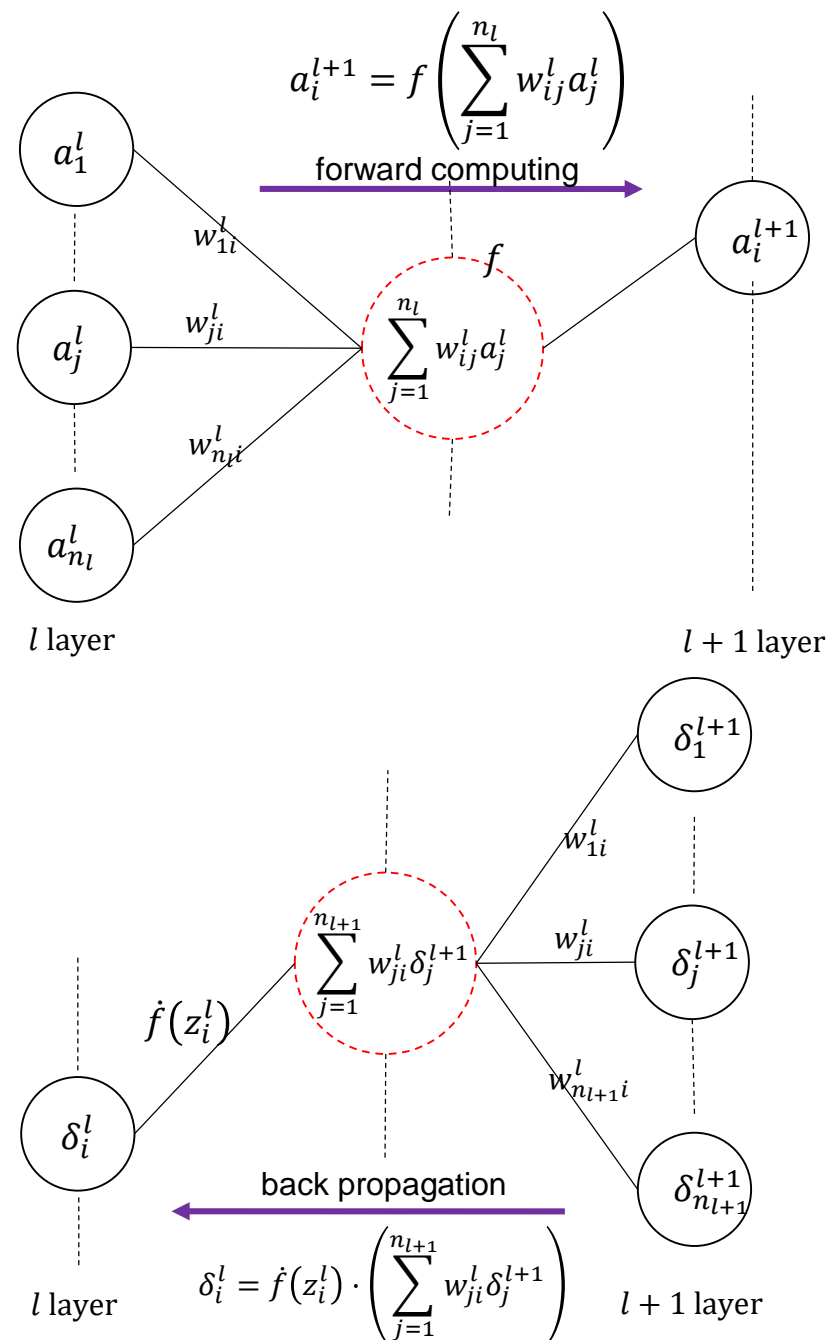
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l layer i^{th} neuron

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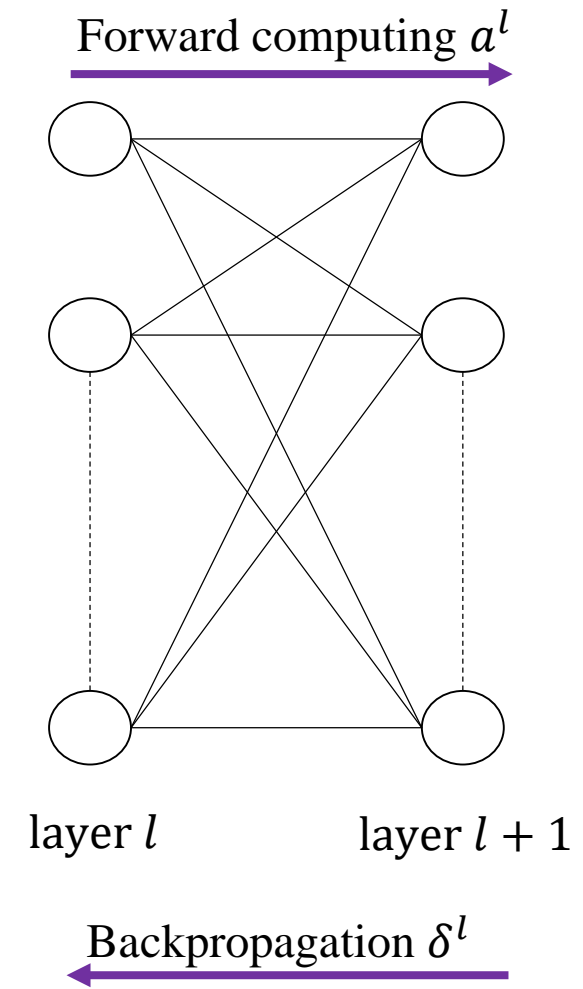
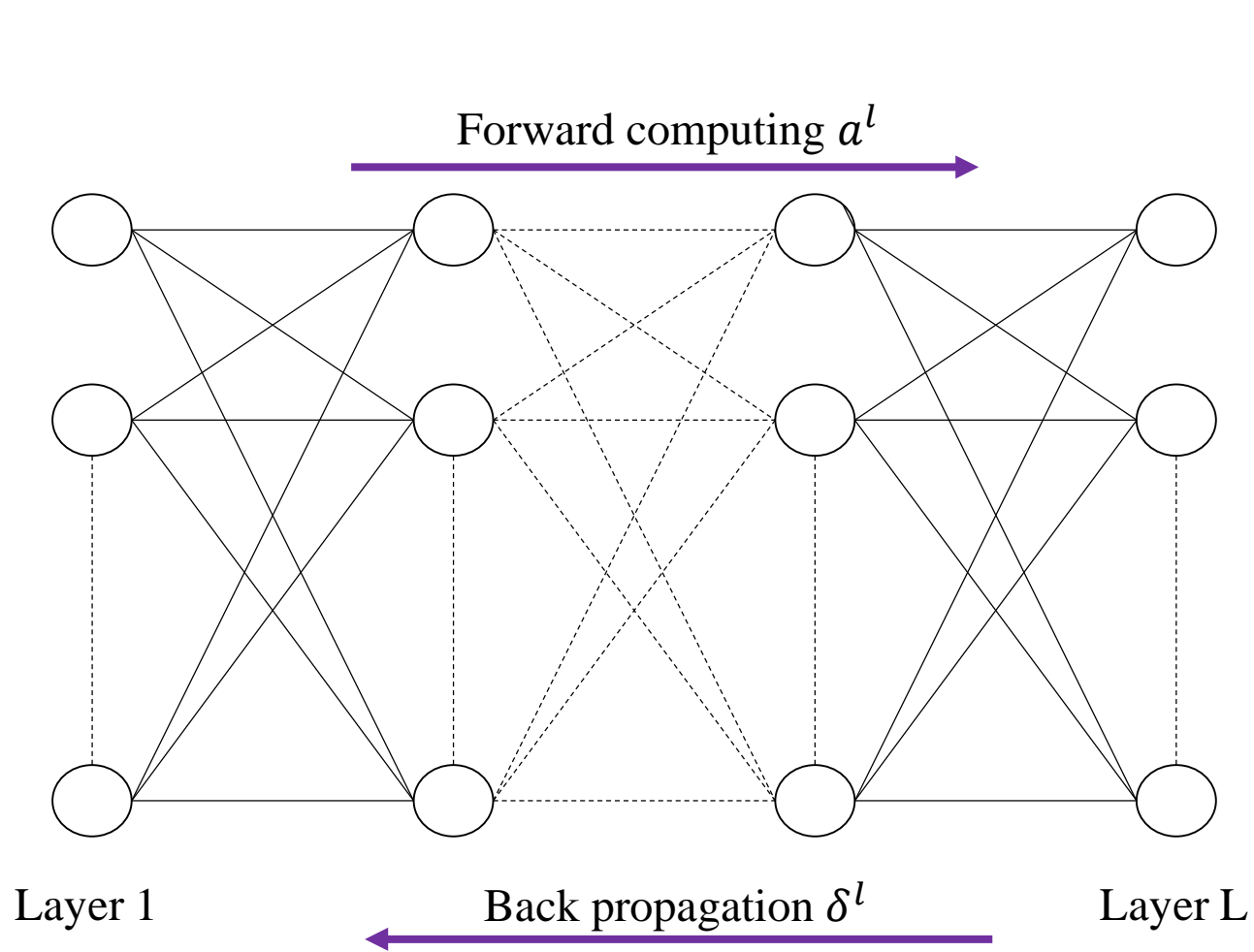
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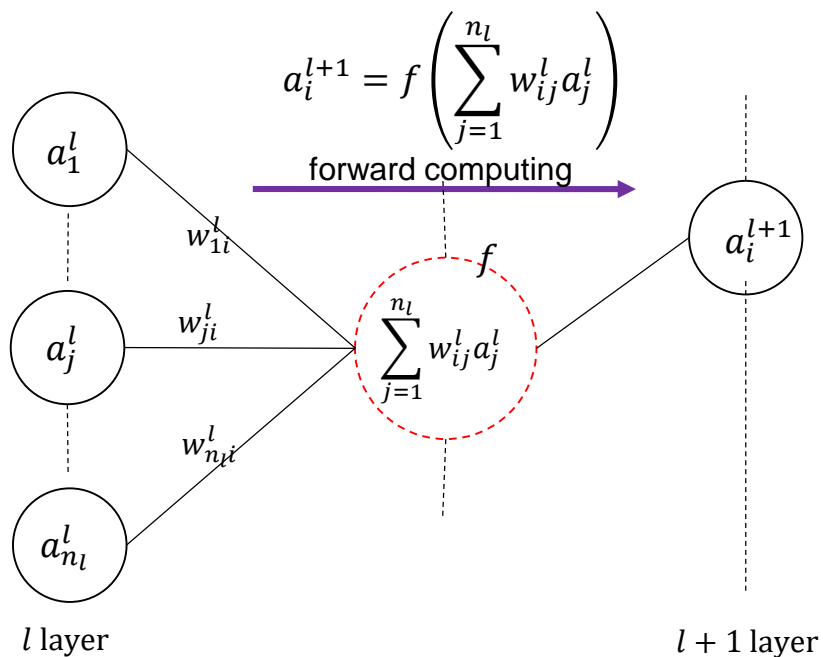
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function $fc(W^l, a^l)$

for $i = 1:n_{l+1}$

$$z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$$

$$a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$$

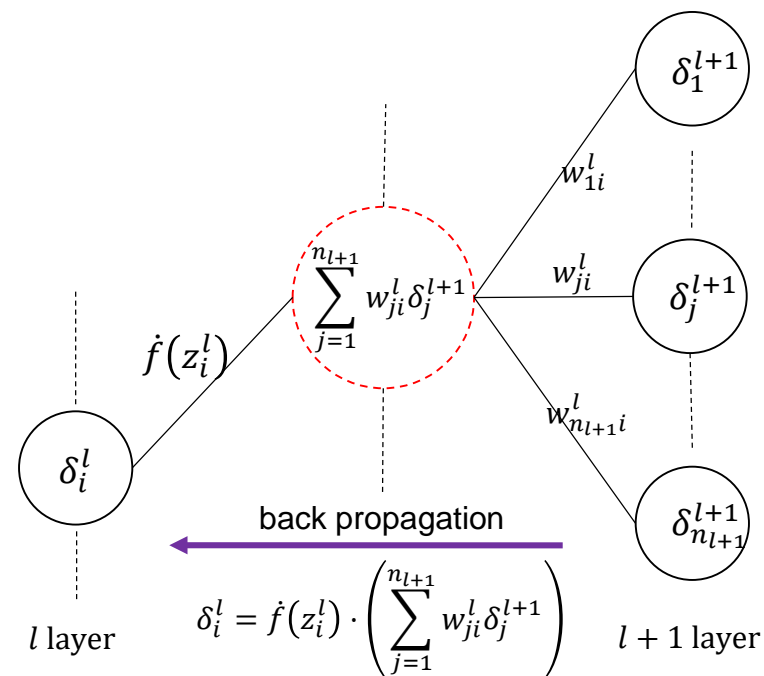
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function $bc(W^l, \delta^{l+1})$

for $i = 1:n_l$

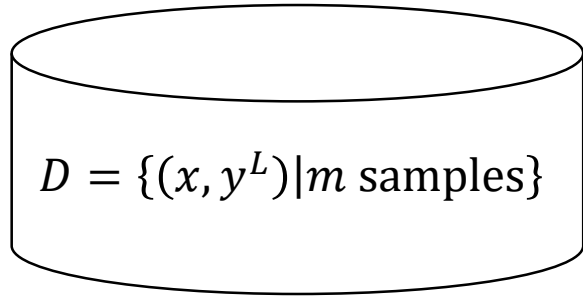
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end



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Training Data



x : input sample
 y^L : target output

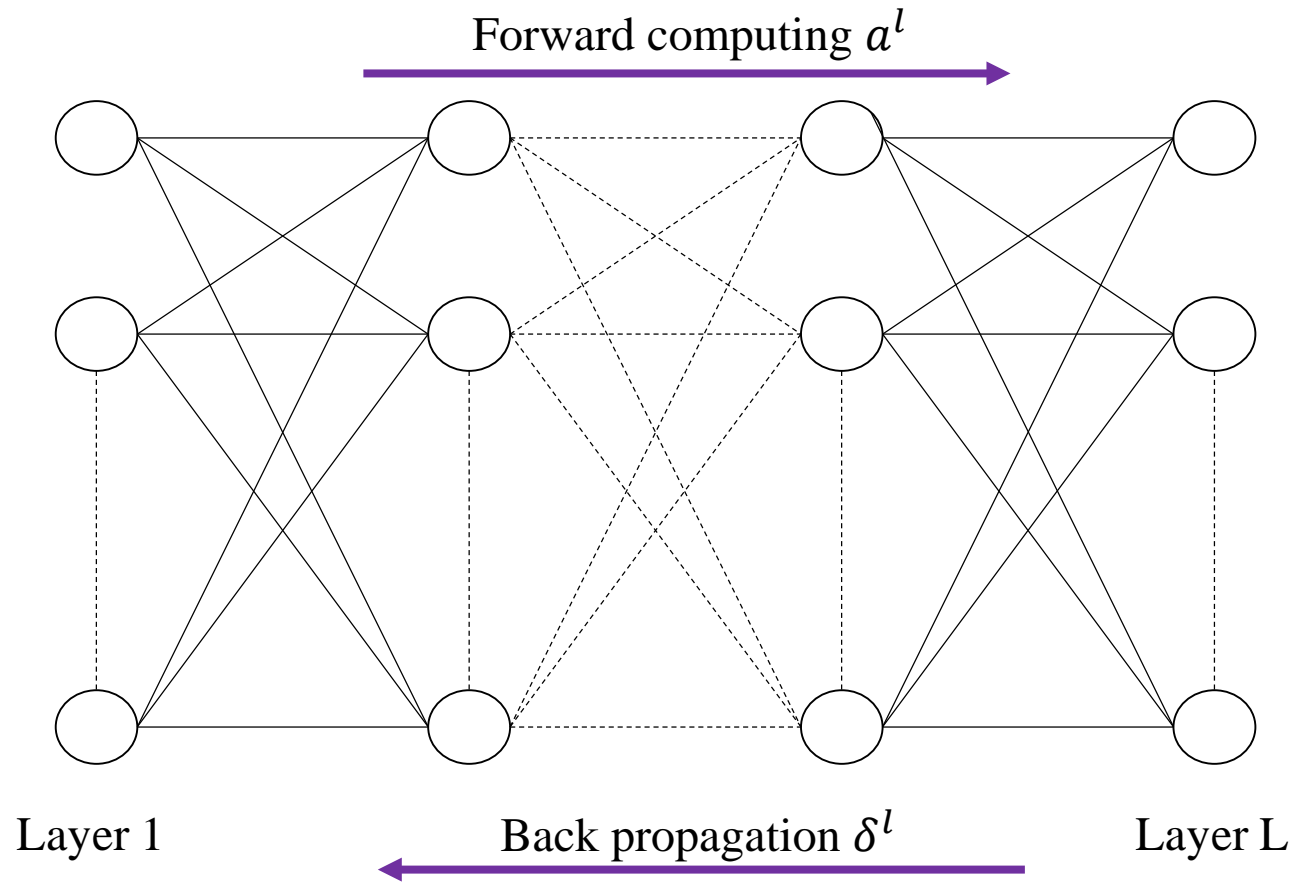
There are two ways to train the network.

1. Online training: For each sample $(x, y) \in D$, define a cost function, for example, as

$$J(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_L} (a_j^L - y_j^L)^2$$

2. Batch training: Define cost function as

$$J = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{(x, y) \in D} J(x, y)$$



The BP Algorithm

Online BP Algorithm:

Step 1. Input the training data set $D = \{(x, y^L)\}$

Step 2. Initial each w_{ij}^l , and choose a learning rate α .

Step 3. Choose a sample $(x, y^L) \in D$, define $J(x, y^L)$, set $a^1 = x$

for $l = 1:L$

$fc(w^l, a^l)$;

end

$$\delta^L = \frac{\partial J(x, y^L)}{\partial z^L};$$

for $l = L - 1:1$

$bc(w^l, \delta^{l+1})$;

end

Step 4. Updating

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

$$w_{ji}^l \leftarrow w_{ji}^l - \alpha \cdot \frac{\partial J(x, y)}{\partial w_{ji}^l}$$

Step 5. Return to Step 3 until each w^l converge.

function $fc(w^l, a^l)$

for $i = 1:n_{l+1}$

$$z_i^{l+1} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_l} w_{ij}^l a_j^l$$

$$a_i^{l+1} = f(z_i^{l+1})$$

end

Relationship:

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial w_{ji}^l} = \delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l$$

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Assignment 1: Encoding the BP algorithms by MATLAB.

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$fc(W^l, a^l)$;

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$$\delta^L = \frac{\partial J}{\partial z^L};$$

for $l = L - 1: 1$

$bc(\delta^{l+1})$;

end

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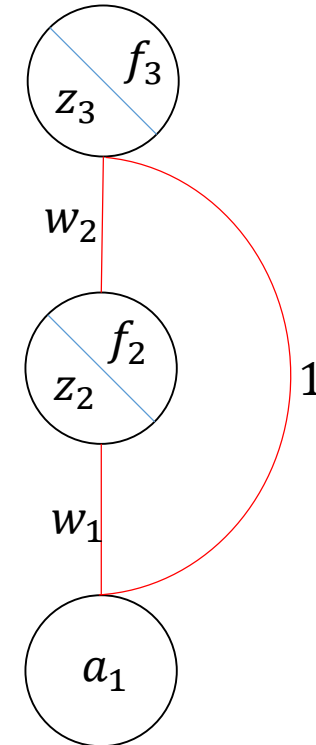
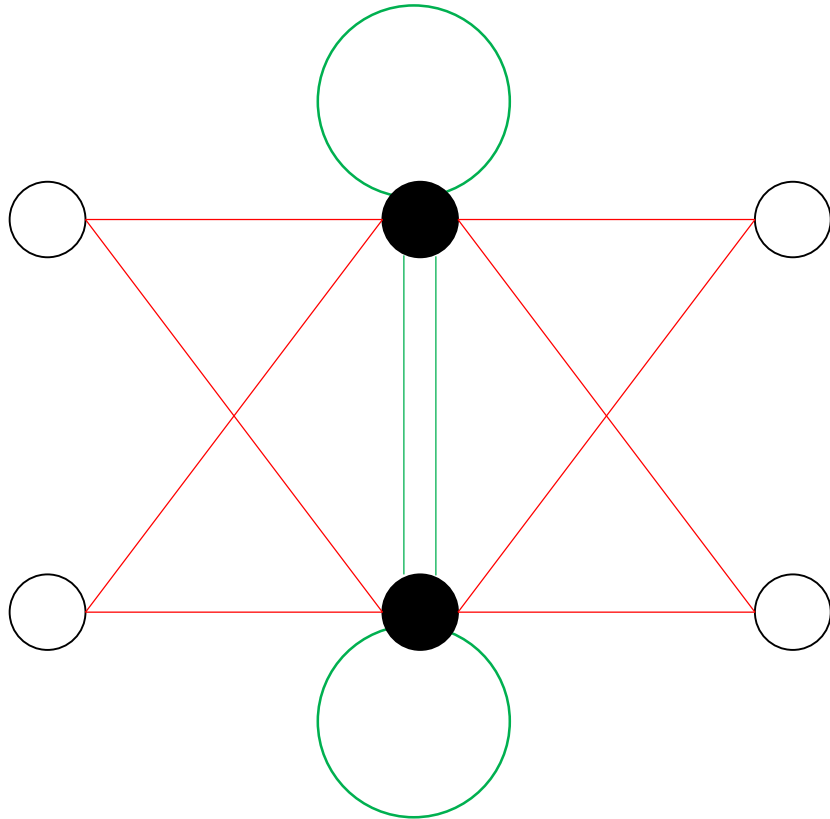
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Assignment

Assignment 2: Reform the following two networks to be in standard form, i.e., no any connection in any layer, no connection across any layer.





Thanks