

## Chapter Six

# Unsupervised Learning

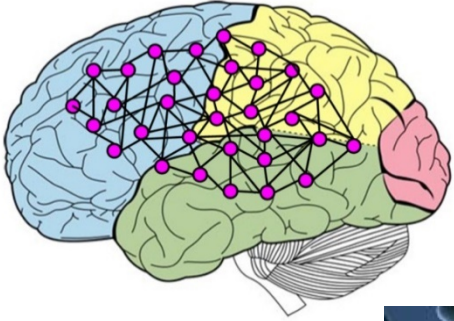
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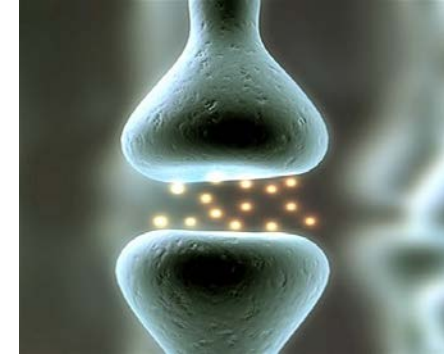
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# Learning in Neural Networks



Neural Network

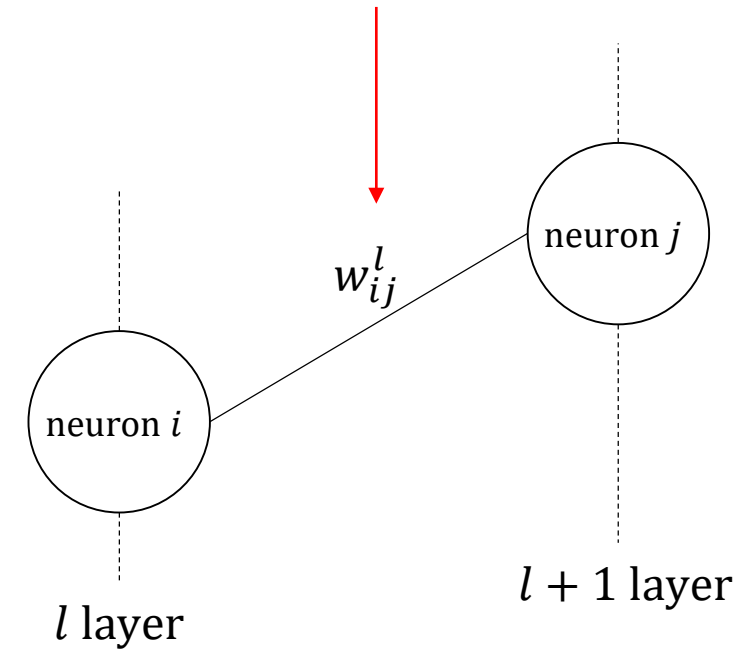
The brain is a learning system. The brain can learn by some supervisor or by itself. Thus, there are **Supervised Learning** and **Unsupervised Learning**.



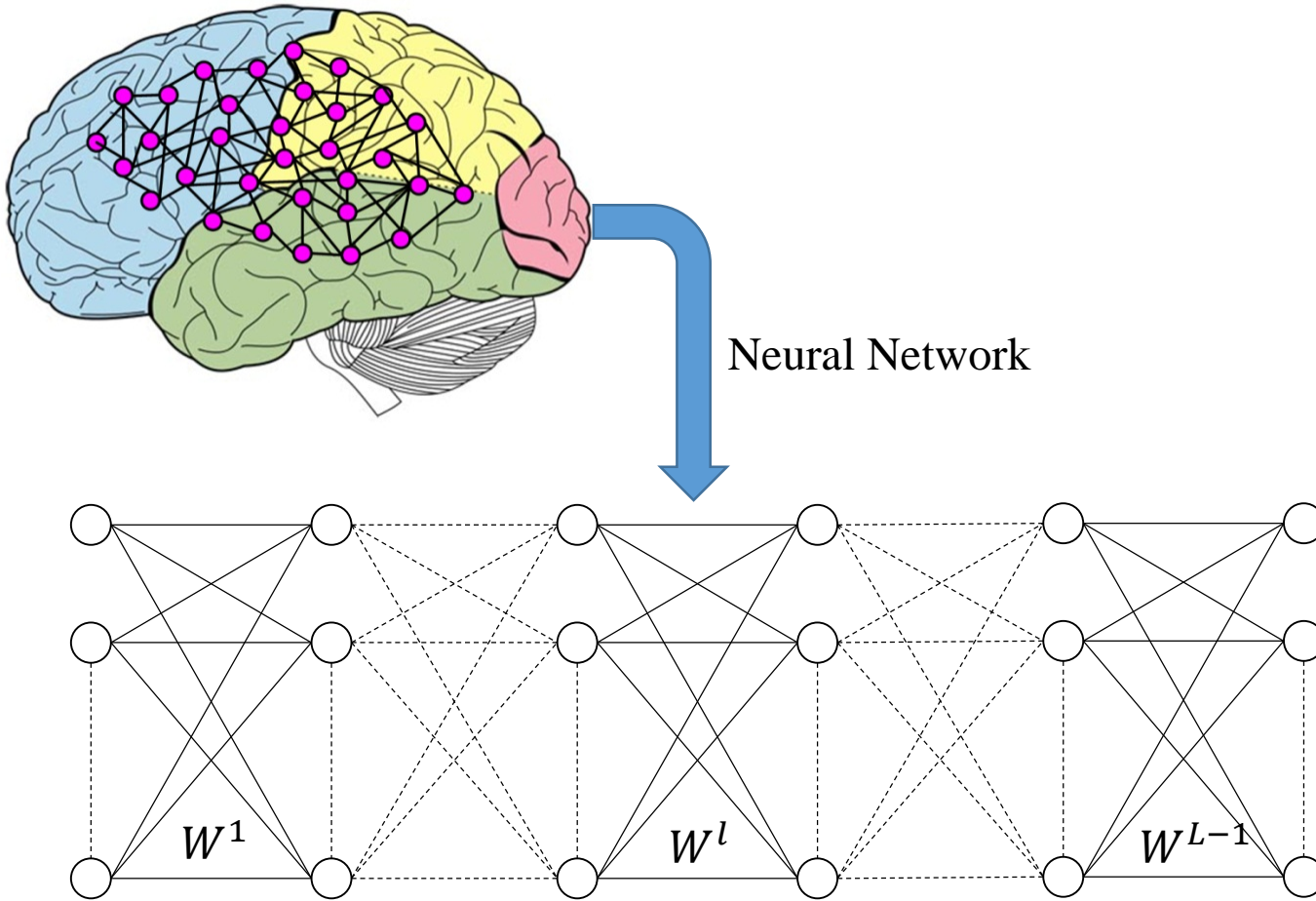
Learning is the changing of connection strength between two connected neurons

$$w_{ij}^l(\text{new}) \leftarrow w_{ij}^l(\text{old})$$

The knowledge is stored in connections weight.

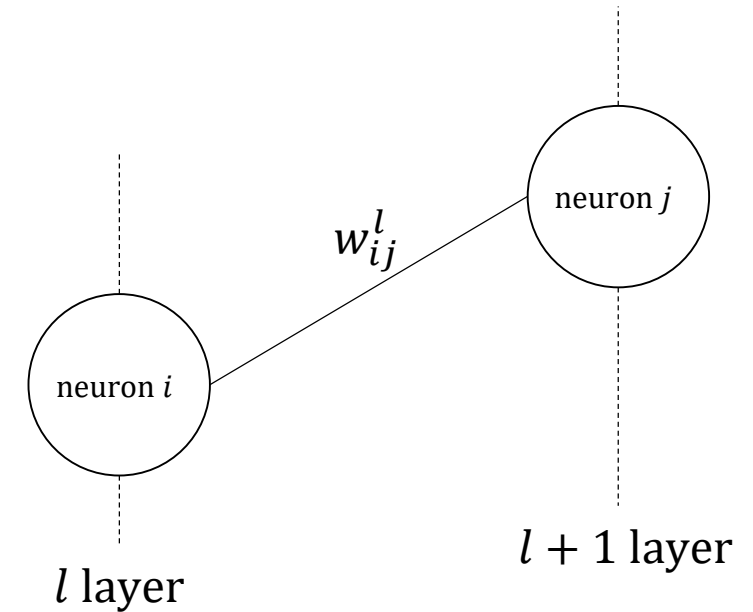


# Learning in Neural Networks



Learning is the updating of connection weight between two connected neurons

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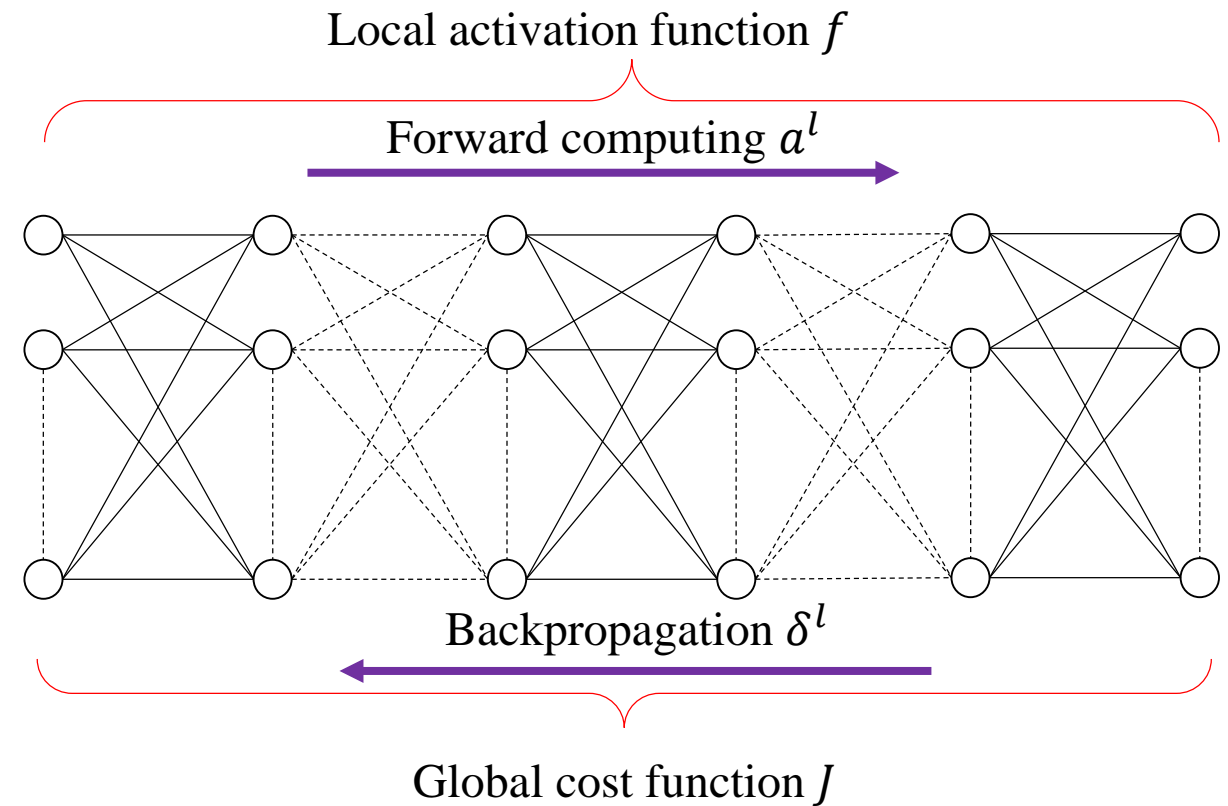
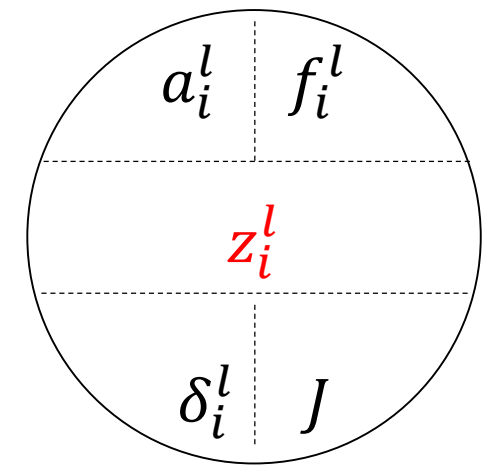
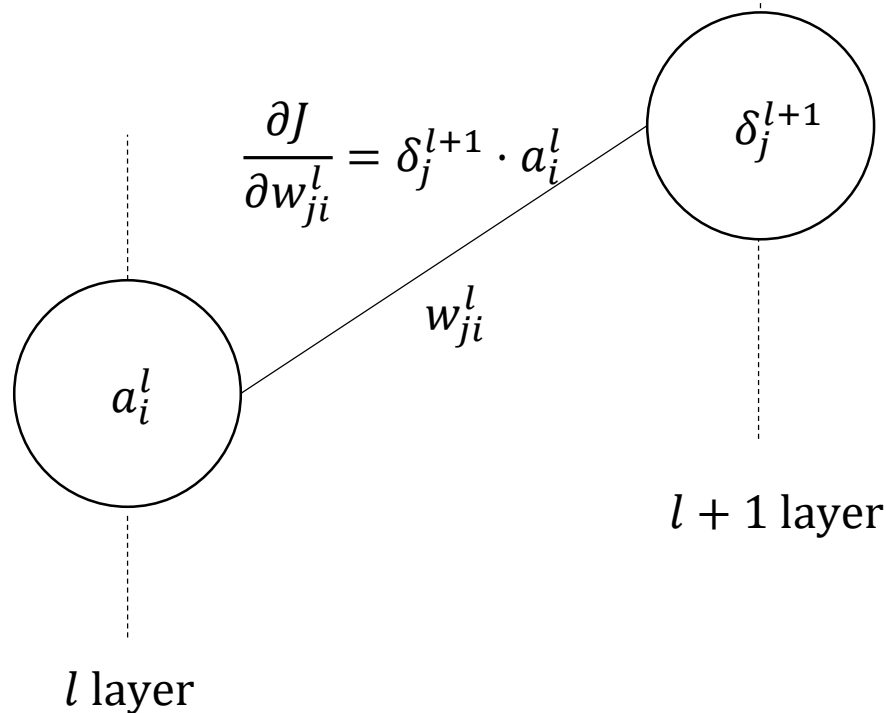


The network stores only knowledge, it does not store original data.

# Learning in Neural Networks

BP Learning Algorithm

$$w_{ij}^l \leftarrow w_{ij}^l - \alpha \cdot (\delta_j^{l+1} \cdot a_i^l)$$



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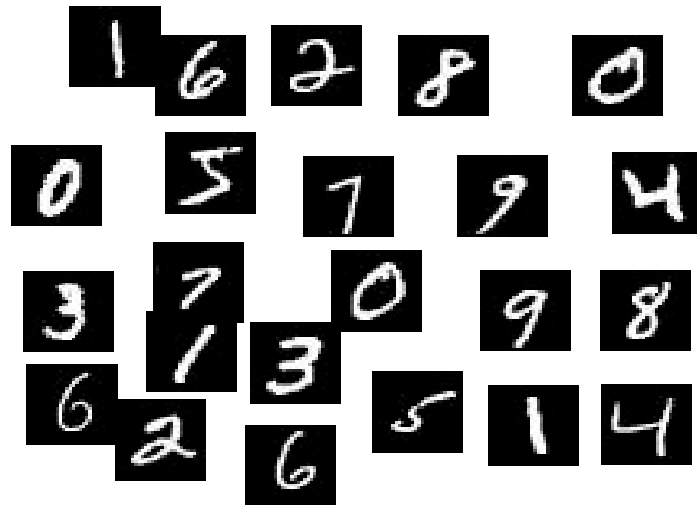
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# Supervised Learning

## ■ Supervised Learning

- Learning with a supervisor
- The supervisor knows the correct answer
- Each training sample must contain input and target

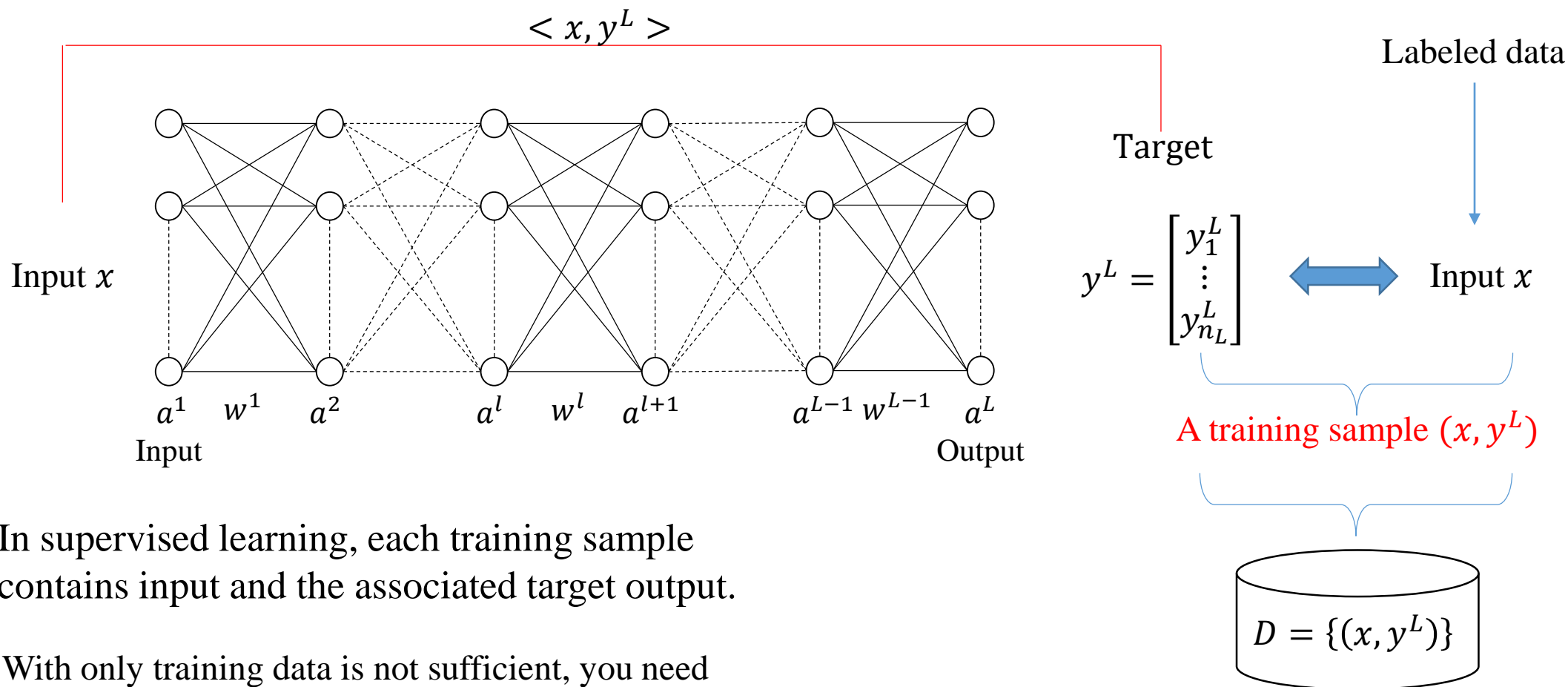
Learn from teacher



Learn from parent



# Supervised Learning



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

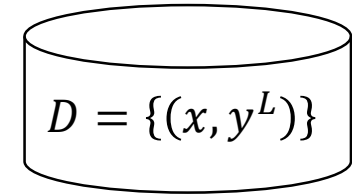
With only training data is not sufficient, you need a learning algorithm to update the knowledge, i.e., updating the connection weights in the network.

A training data set is a set composed by training samples



# Supervised Learning

The well known BP algorithm is a supervised learning algorithm.

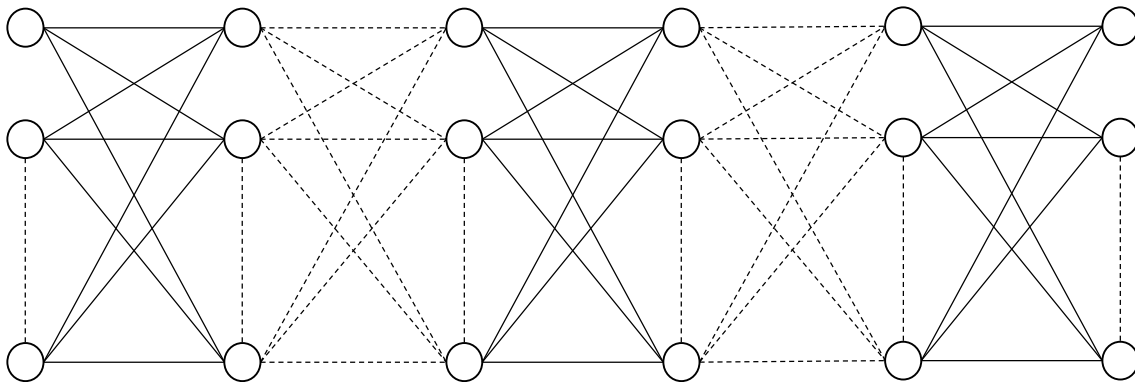


Network prediction

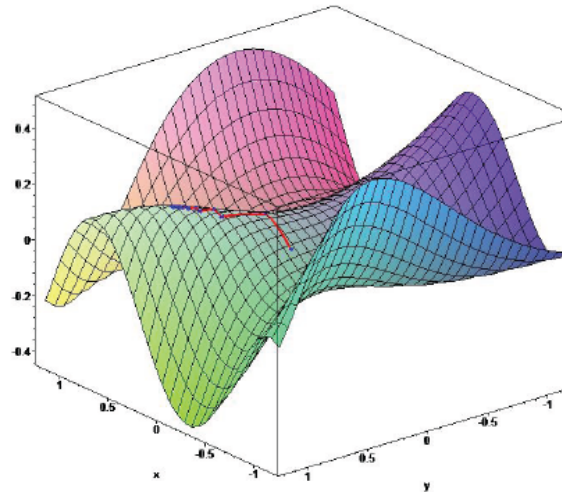
Target

$$a^L = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^L \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix} \quad y^L = \begin{bmatrix} y_1^L \\ \vdots \\ y_{n_L}^L \end{bmatrix}$$

Forward computing  $a^l$



Backpropagation  $\delta^l$



Cost function (Energy Function)

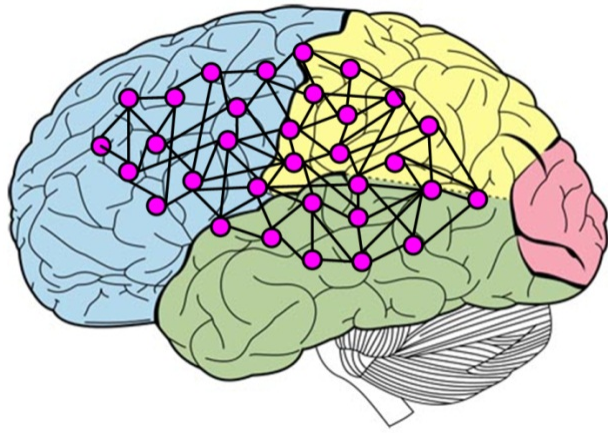
$$J = J(w^1, \dots, w^{L-1})$$

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

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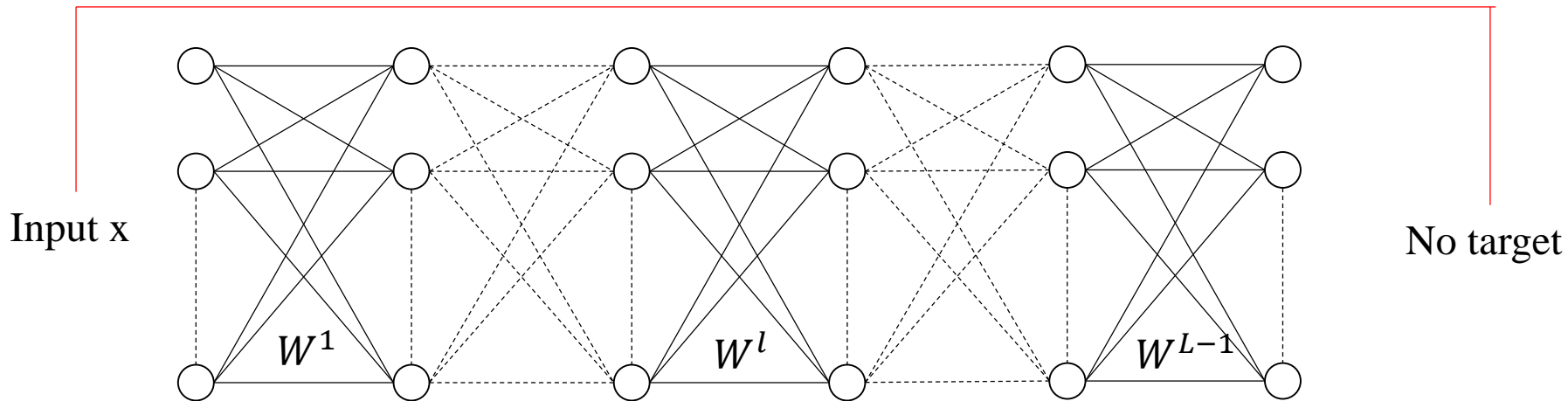
# Unsupervised Learning



## ■ Unsupervised Learning

- Learning without supervisor
- Each training sample do not have any explicit target

Neural Network



Problem: How can I learn without a supervisor?

# Unsupervised Learning: Feature Extraction

Can we learn something without a supervisor?



What's this?!

No body can tell the student about this one.

# Unsupervised Learning: Feature Extraction



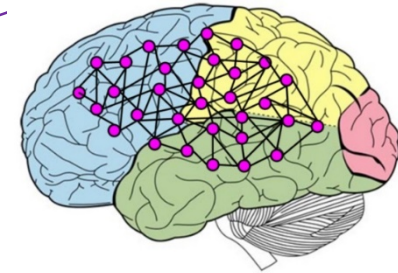
Haha, I saw it  
yesterday.



# Unsupervised Learning: Feature Extraction



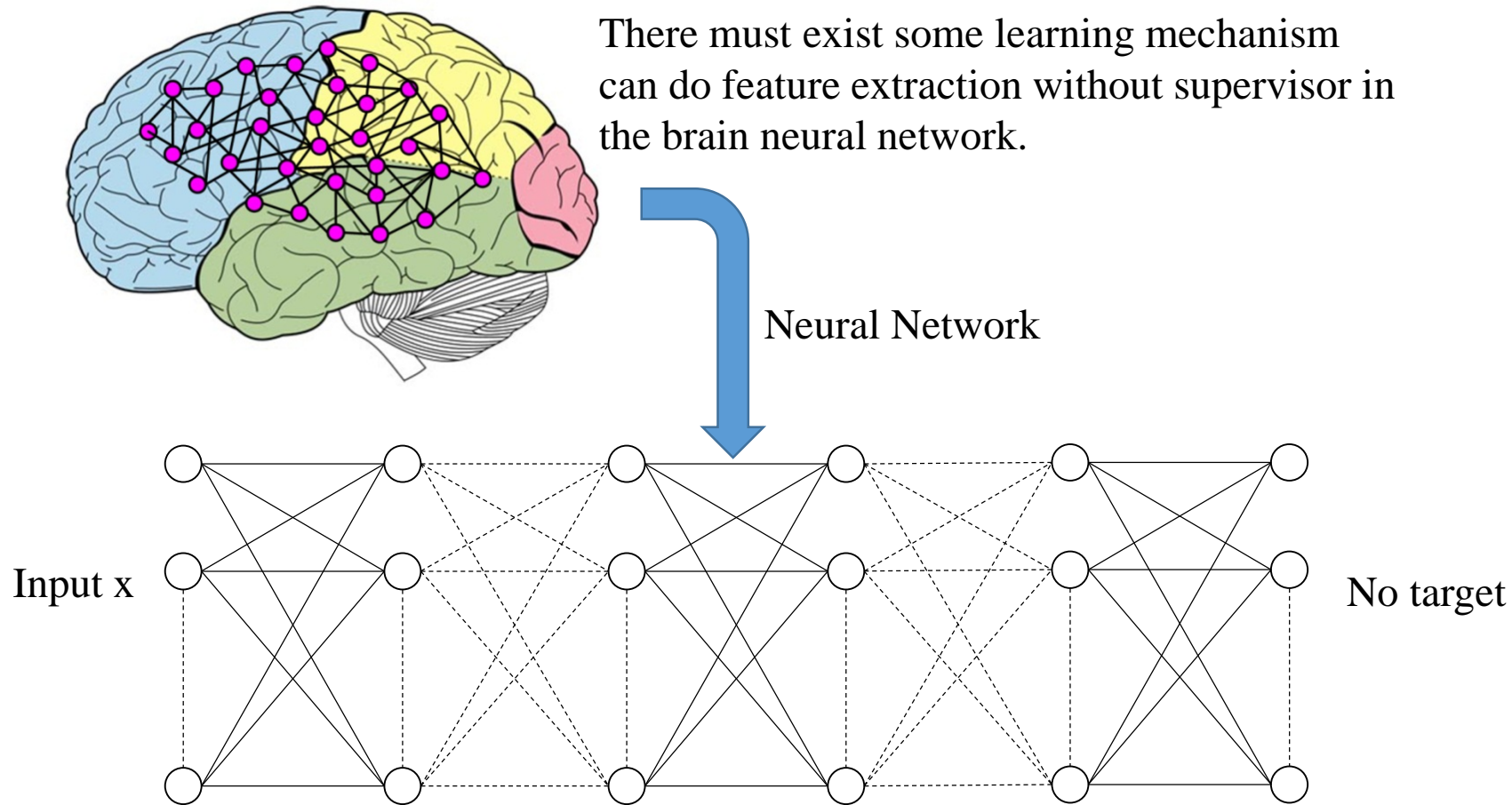
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Without a teacher, how can the student learn that the fruits in these pictures are in fact the same? There must exist some learning mechanism in his brain neural network?



# Unsupervised Learning: Feature Extraction



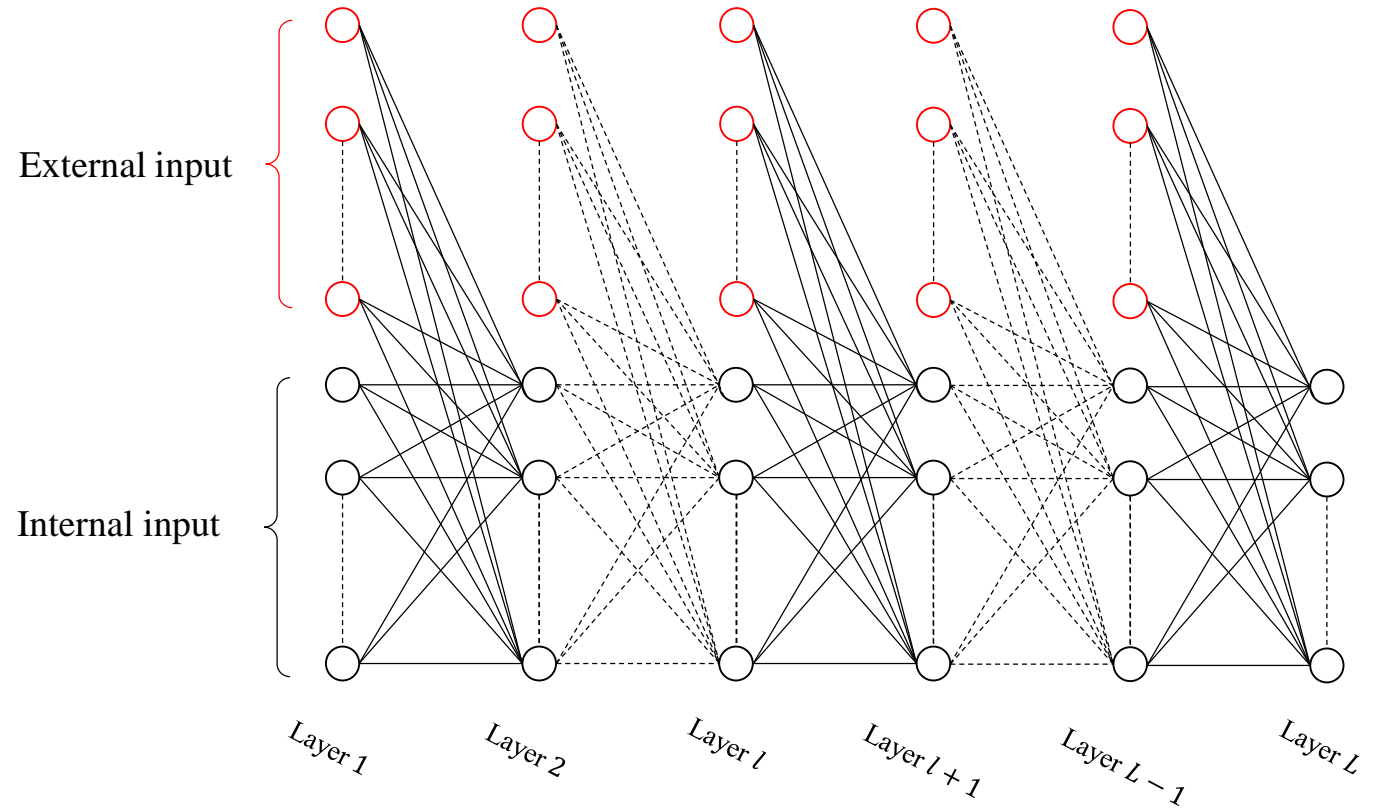
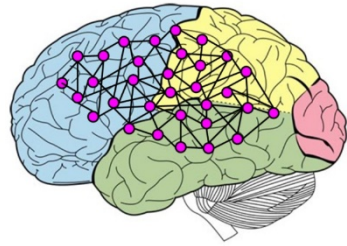
*Problem: How to develop algorithms such that an artificial network can learn without any supervisor?*

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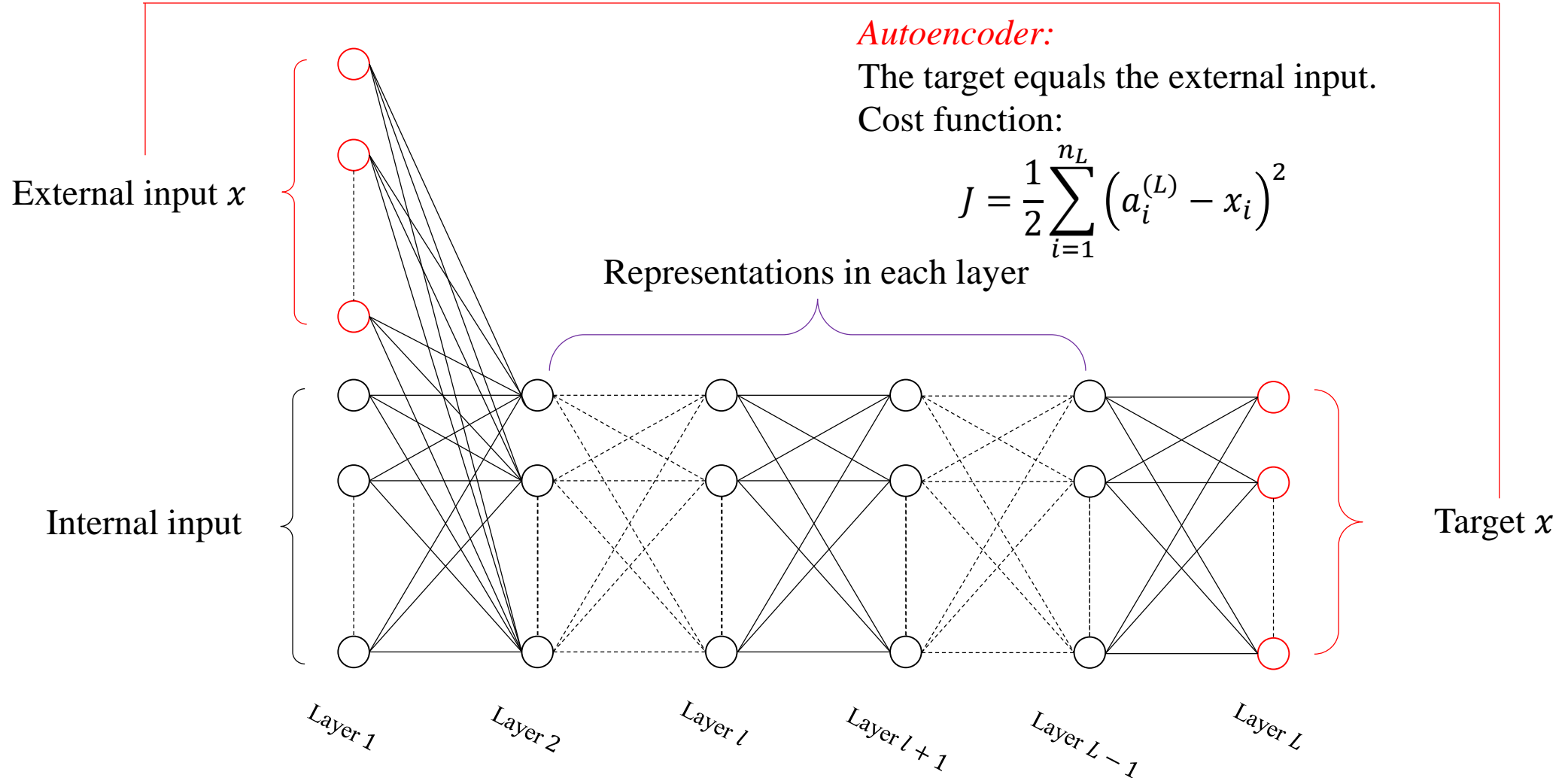


# Autoencoder Neural Networks

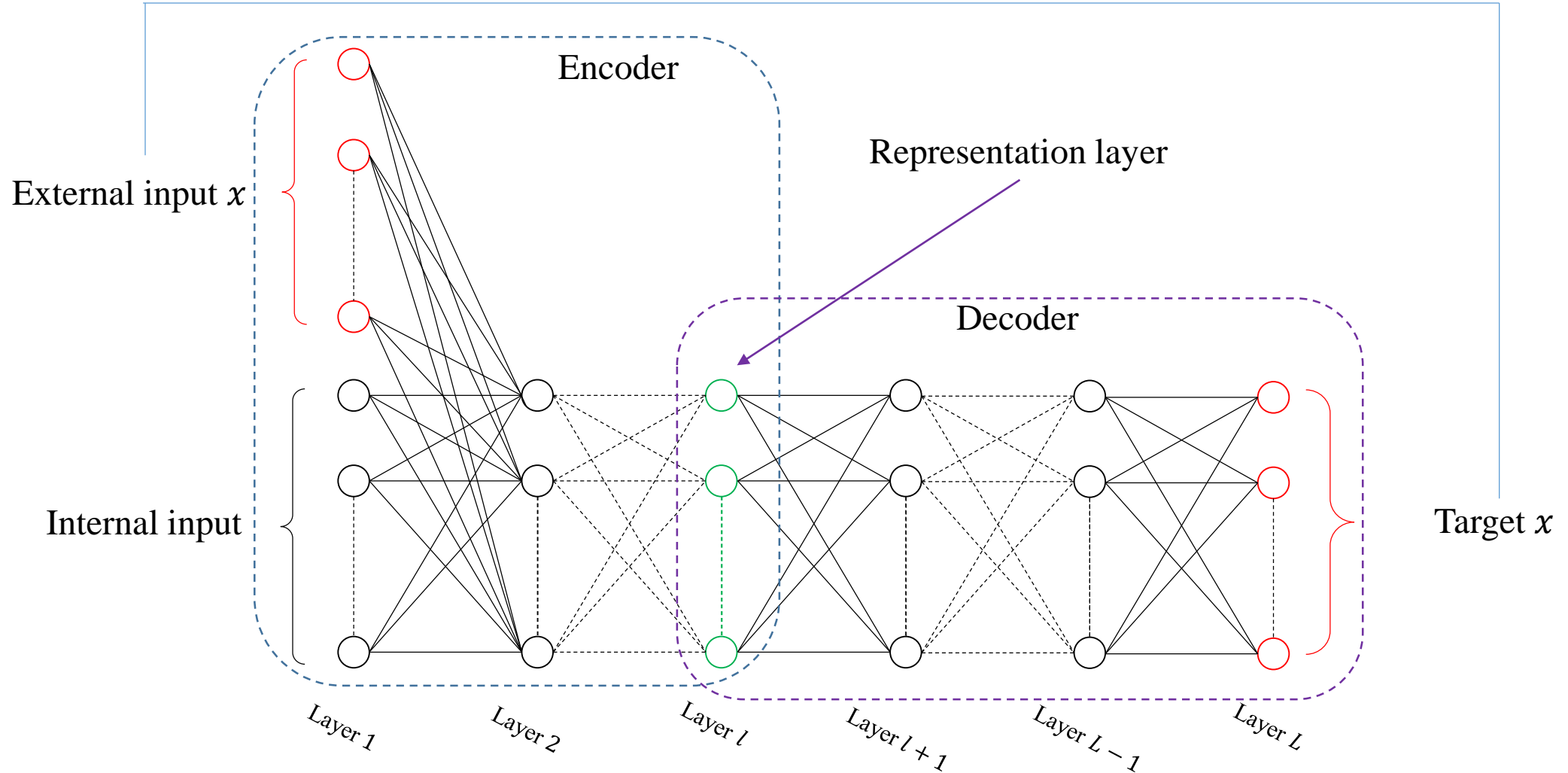


The well-known network structure

# Autoencoder Neural Networks



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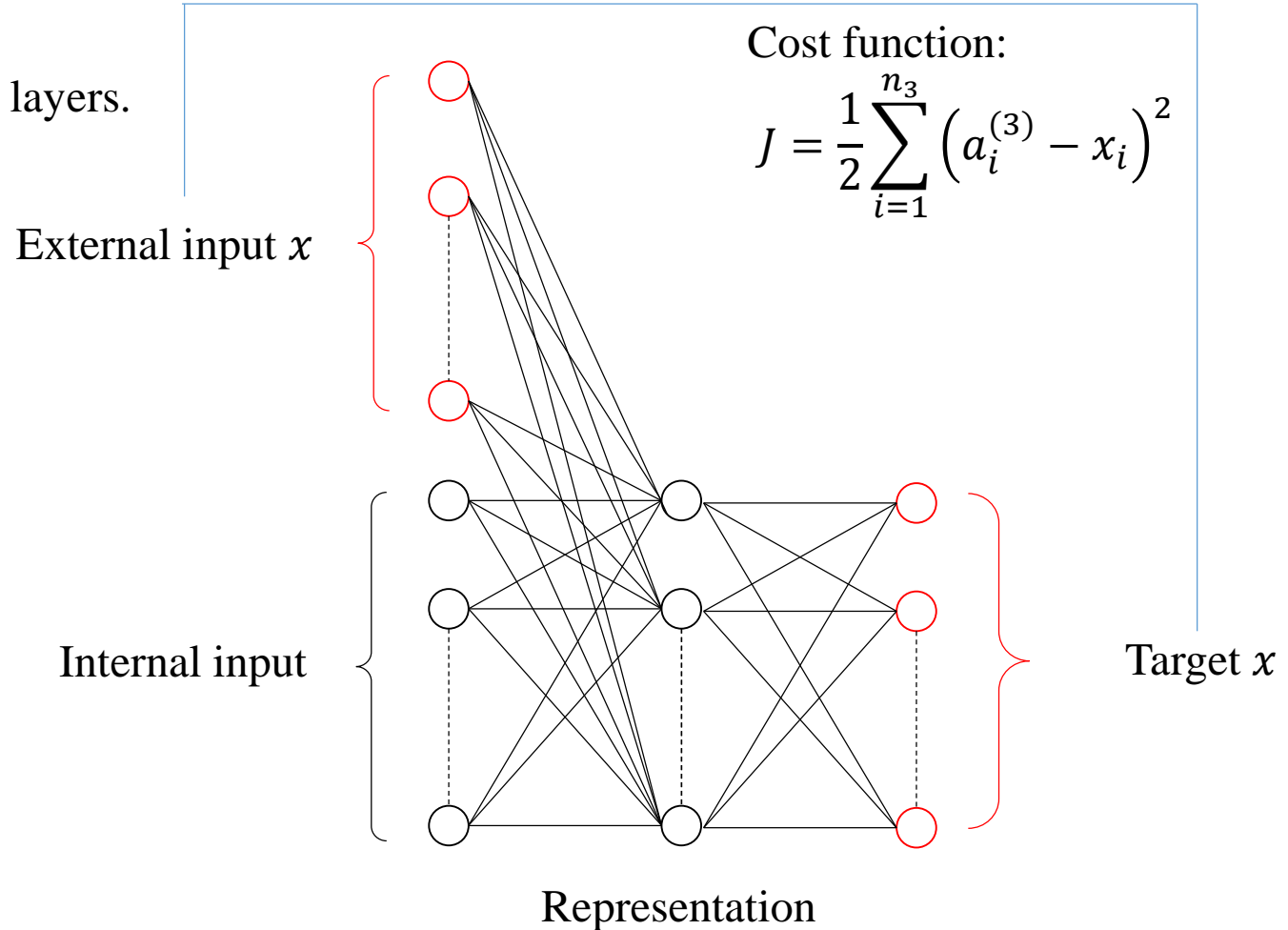
# Autoencoder Neural Networks

## Simplest Autoencoder:

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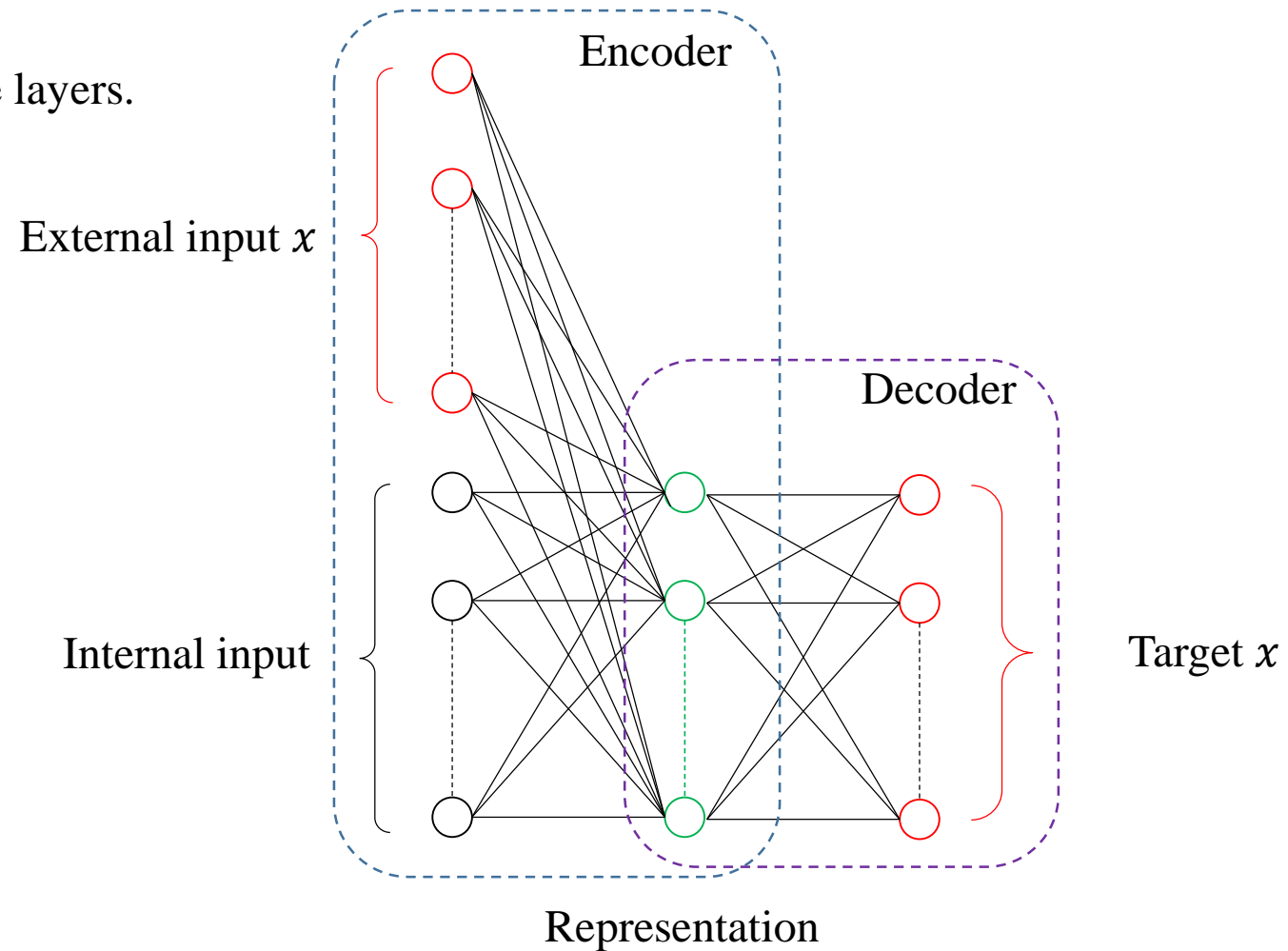
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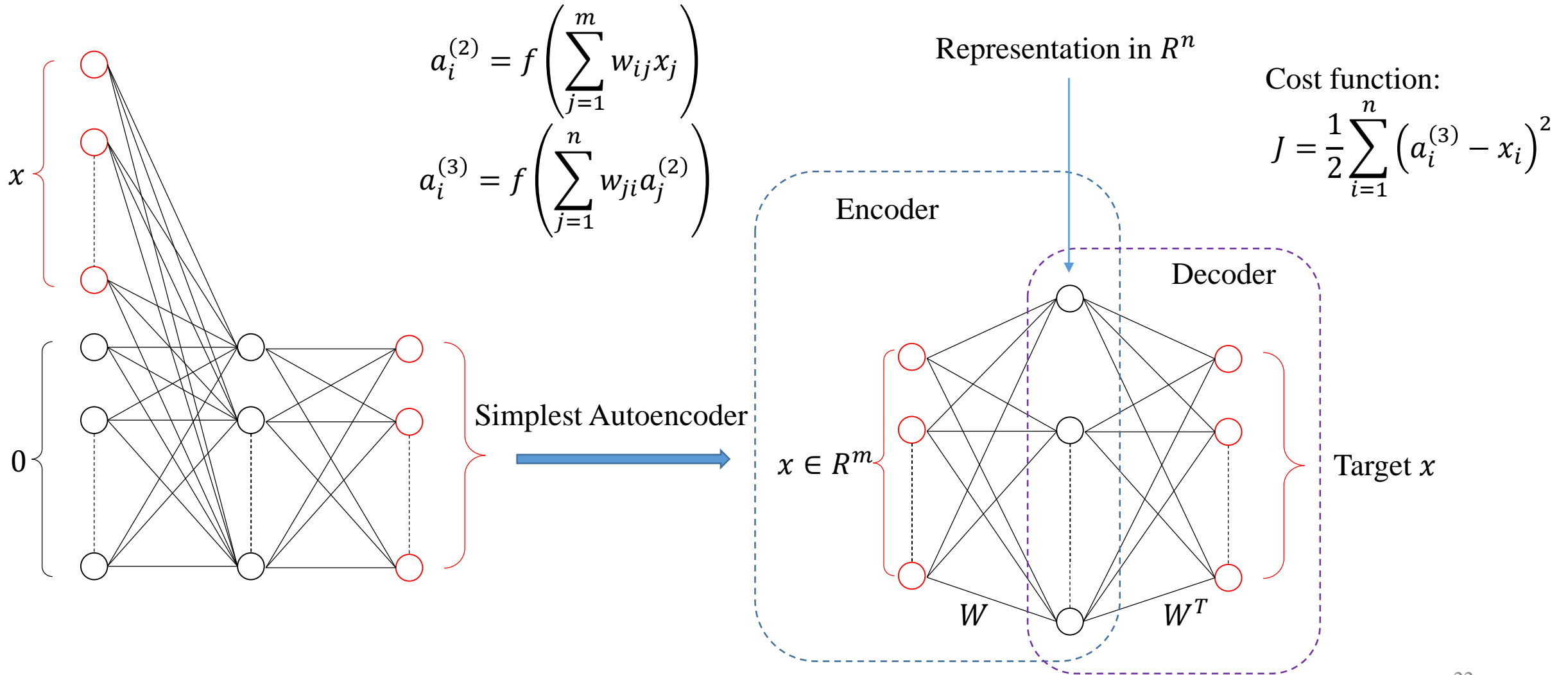
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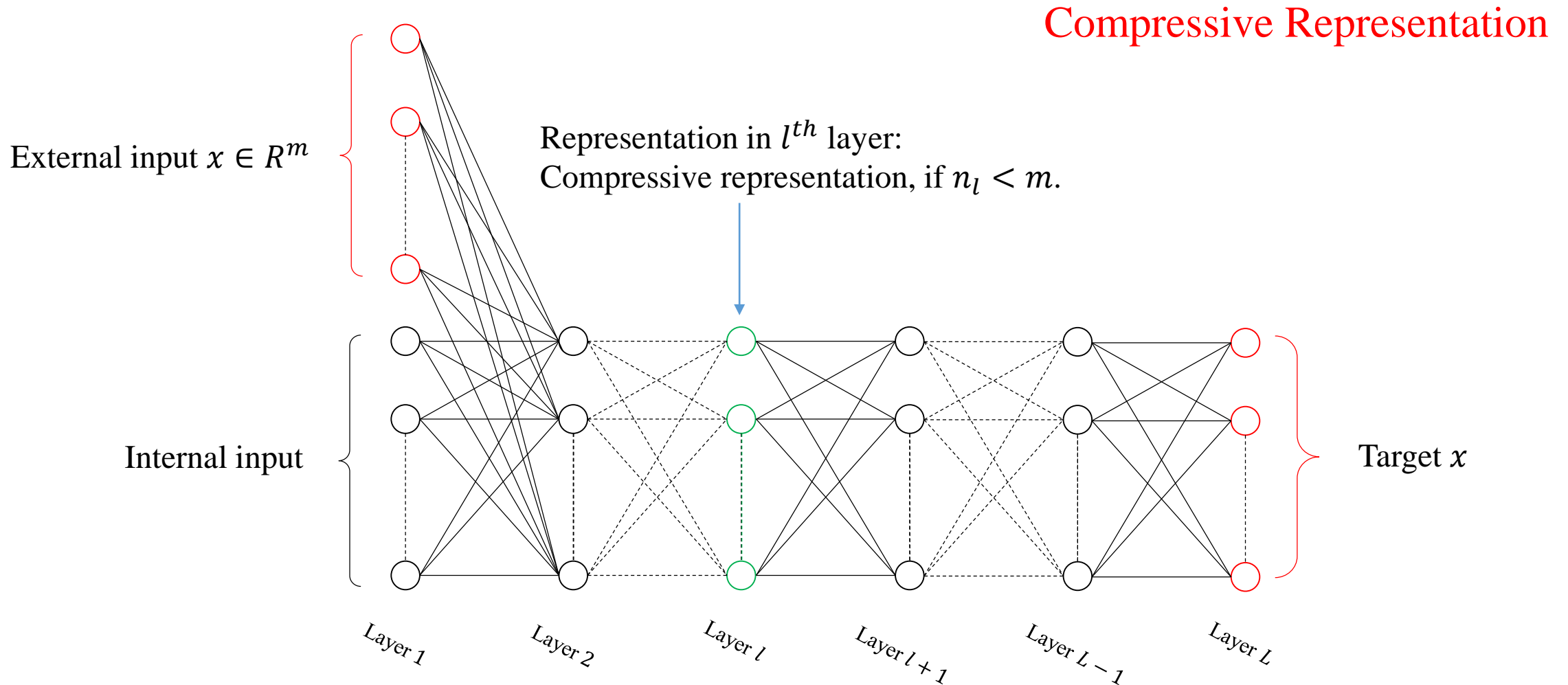
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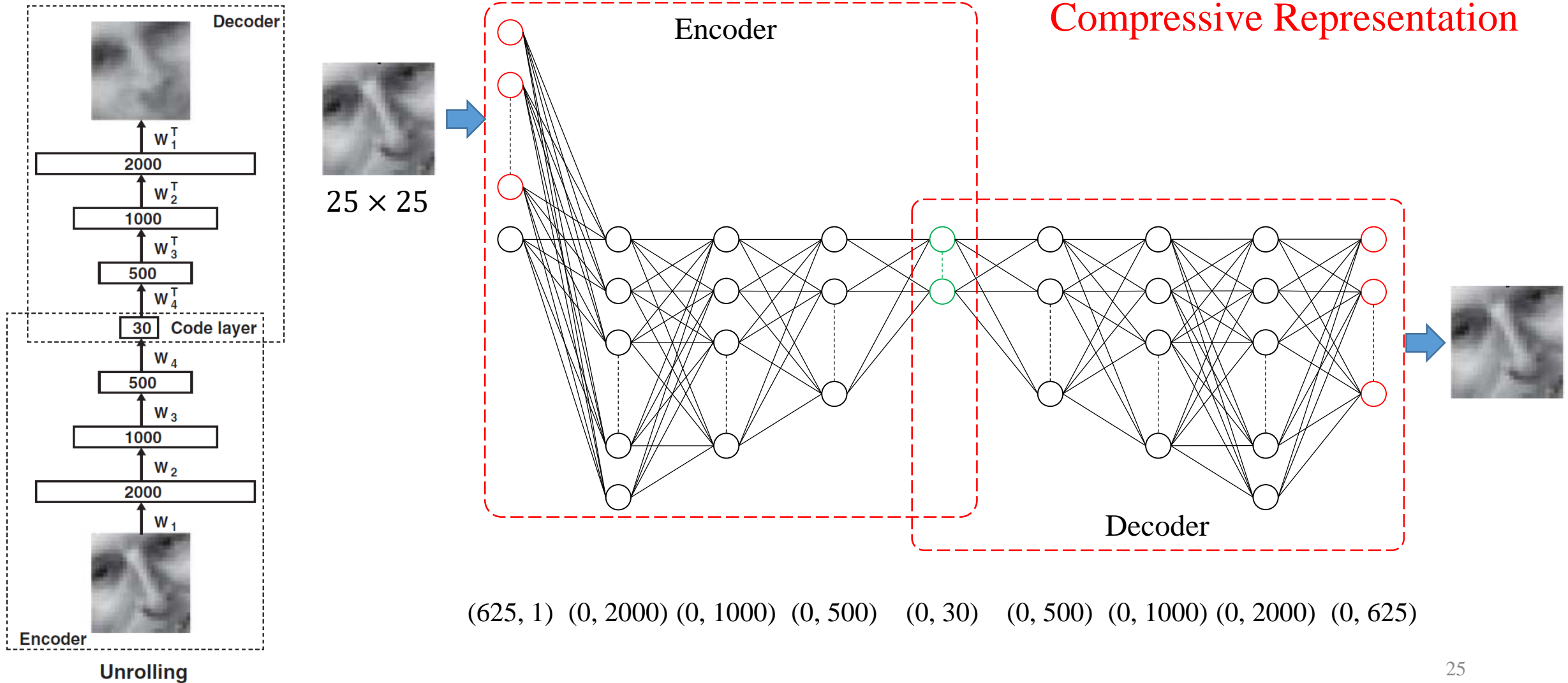
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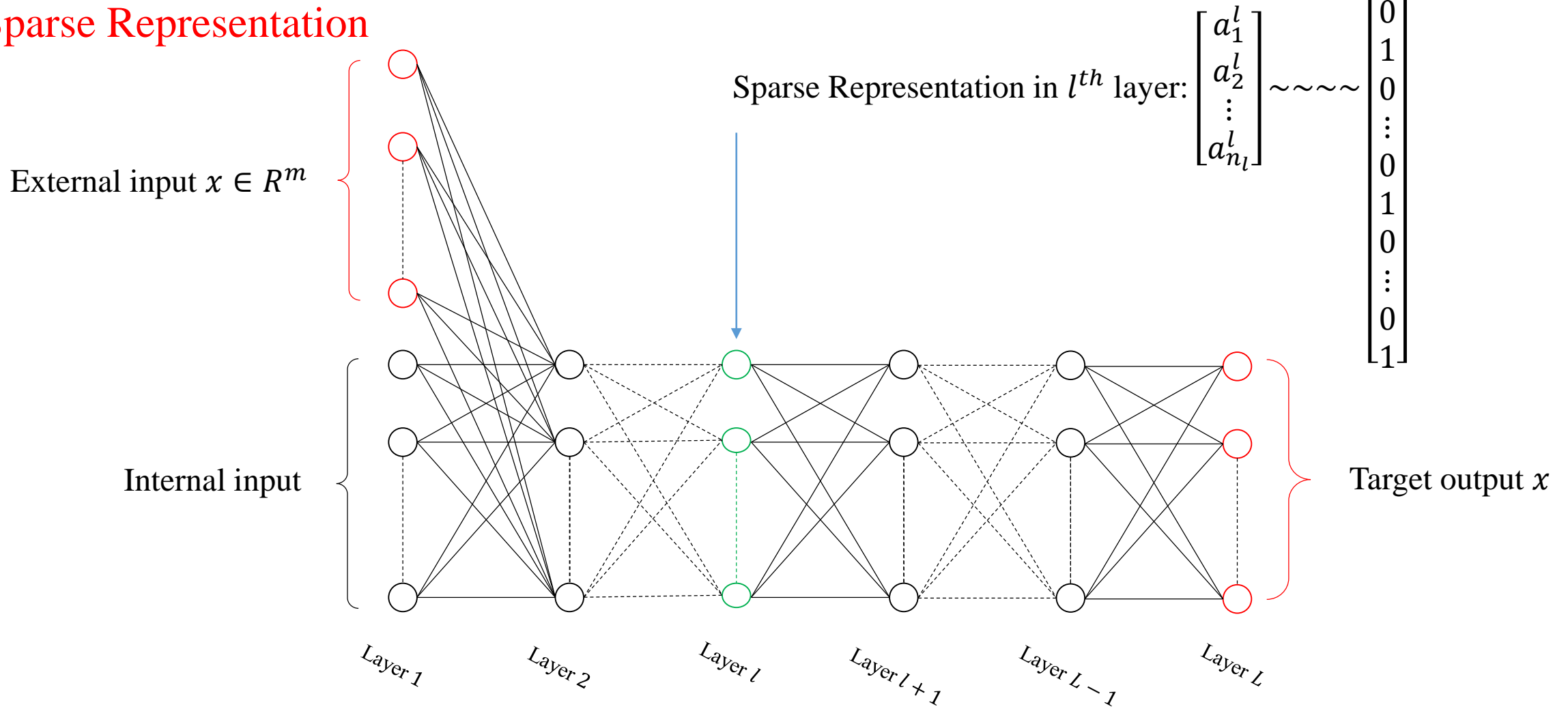


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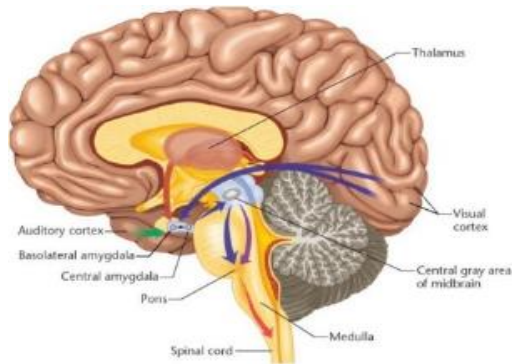
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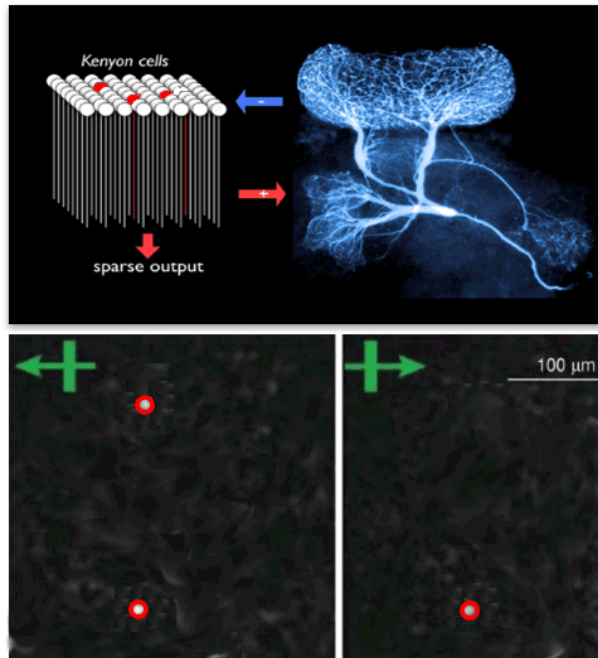
The brain represents information in sparsity way.



**nature**

Emergence of simple-cell receptive field properties by learning a sparse code for natural images

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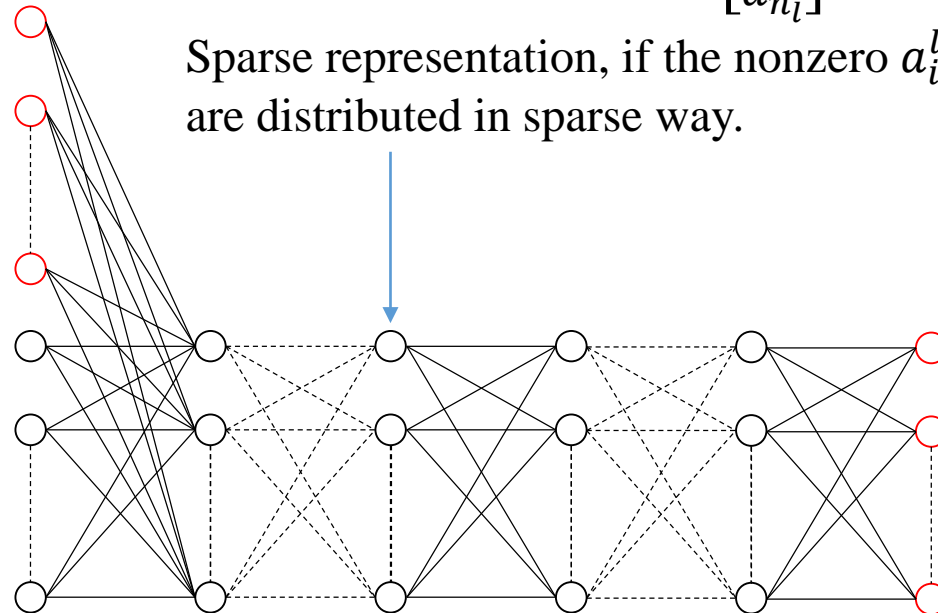


*Problem:*

How to get sparse representation?

Representation in  $l^{th}$  layer:  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1^l \\ a_2^l \\ \vdots \\ a_{n_l}^l \end{bmatrix}$

Sparse representation, if the nonzero  $a_i^l (i = 1, \dots, n_l)$  are distributed in sparse way.



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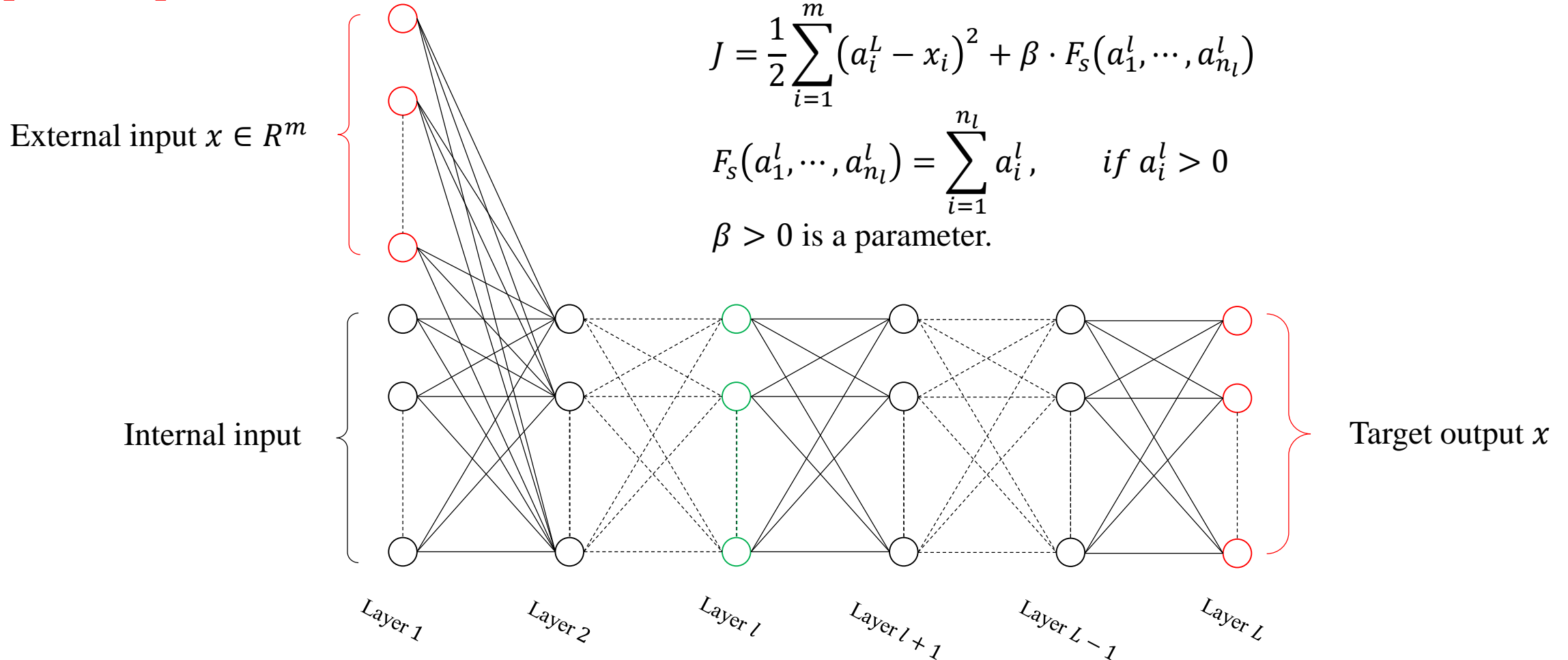
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Cost function:

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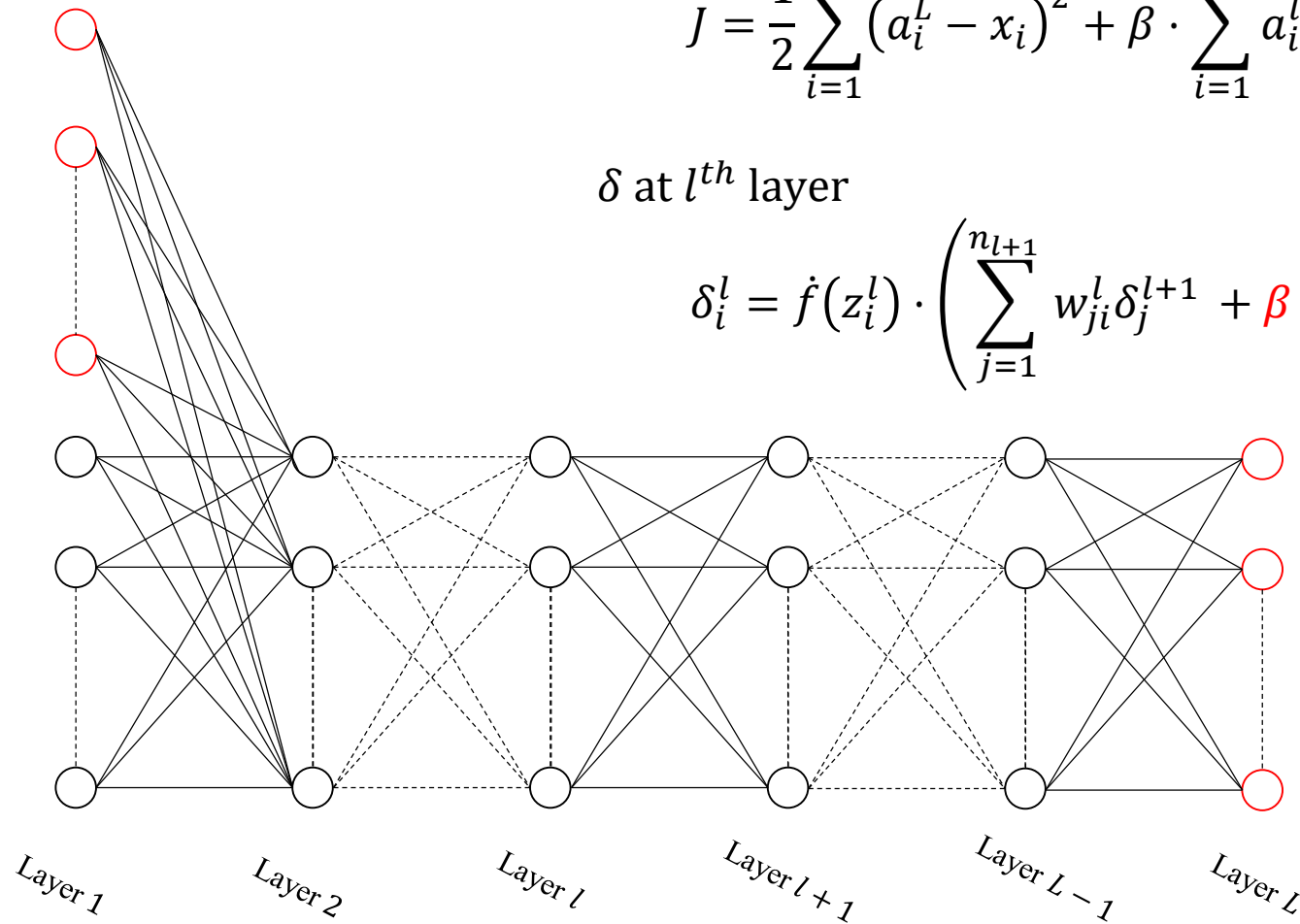
$$F_s(a_1^l, \dots, a_{n_l}^l) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} a_i^l, \quad \text{if } a_i^l > 0$$

$\beta > 0$  is a parameter.



# Autoencoder Neural Networks

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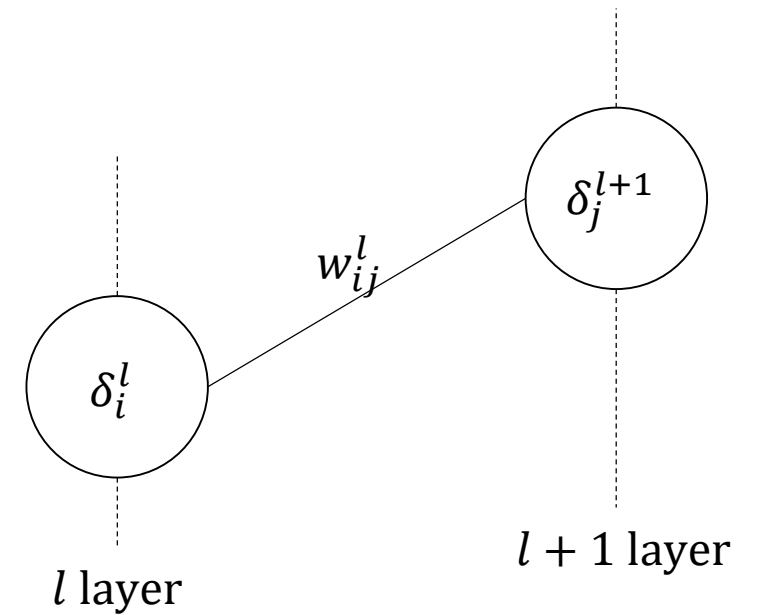


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$\delta$  at  $l^{th}$  layer

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



$l$  layer  $i^{th}$  neuron

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

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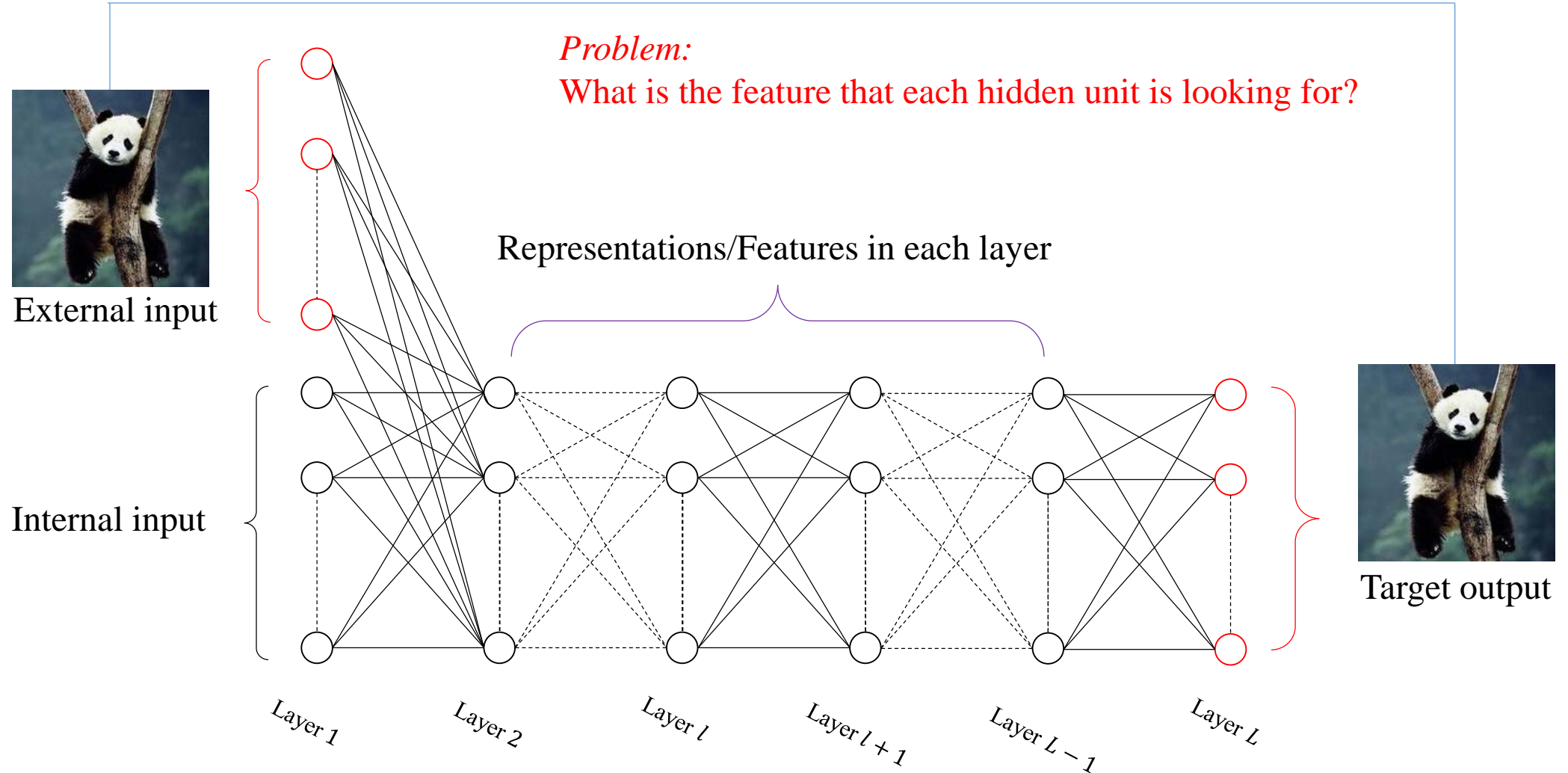
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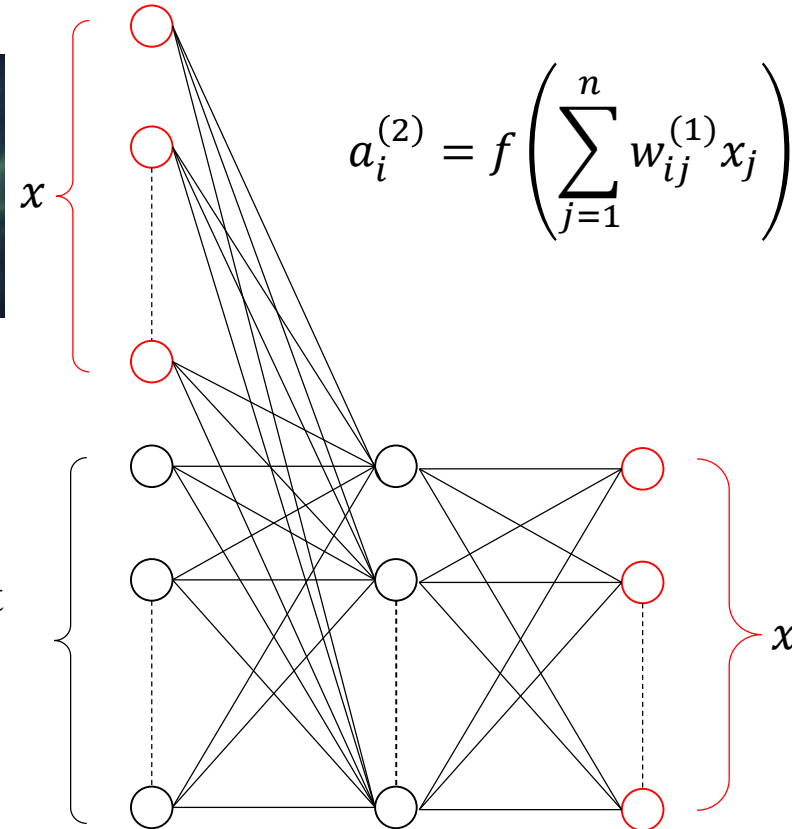
# Autoencoder Neural Networks

*Problem:*

What is the feature that hidden neuron  $i$  is looking for?

In other words, what input image  $x$  cause  $a_i^{(2)}$  to be maximally activated?

$$\begin{cases} \max \sum_{j=1}^n w_{ij}^{(1)} x_j \\ \text{s. t. } \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 \leq 1 \end{cases}$$
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Exercise: How to solve this problem?

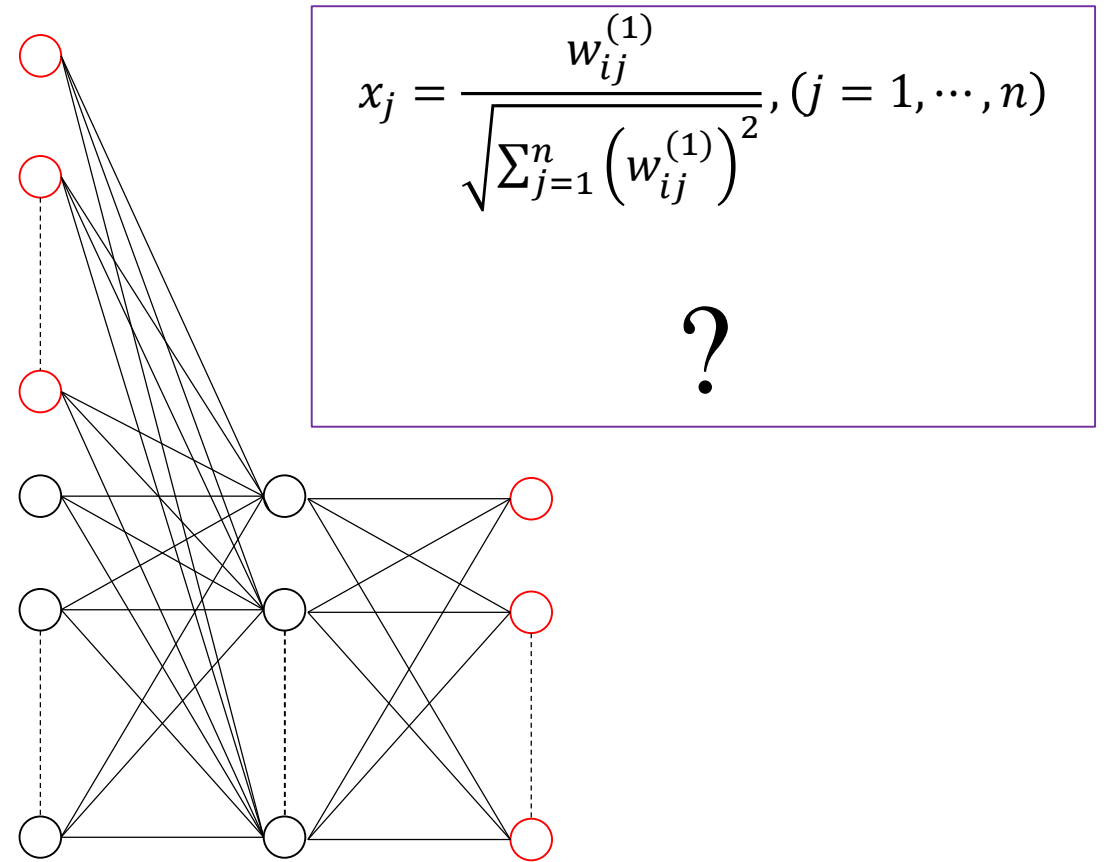
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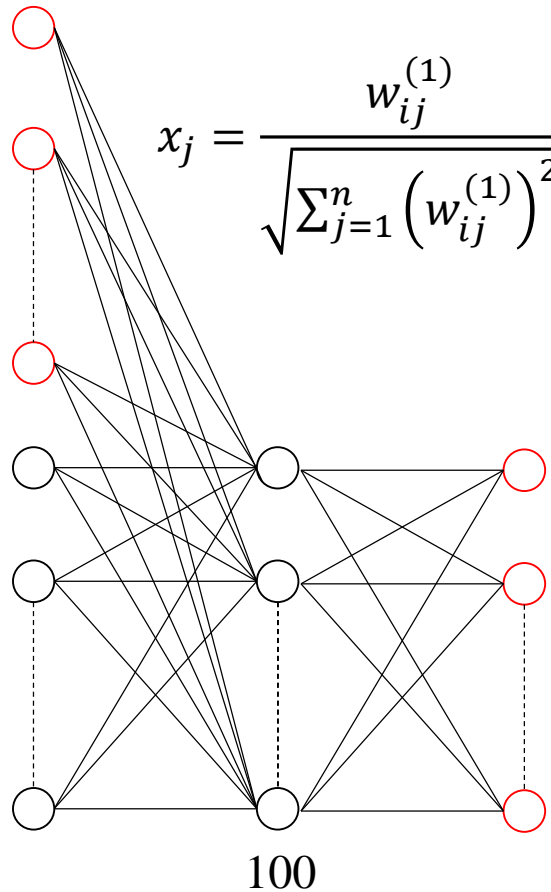
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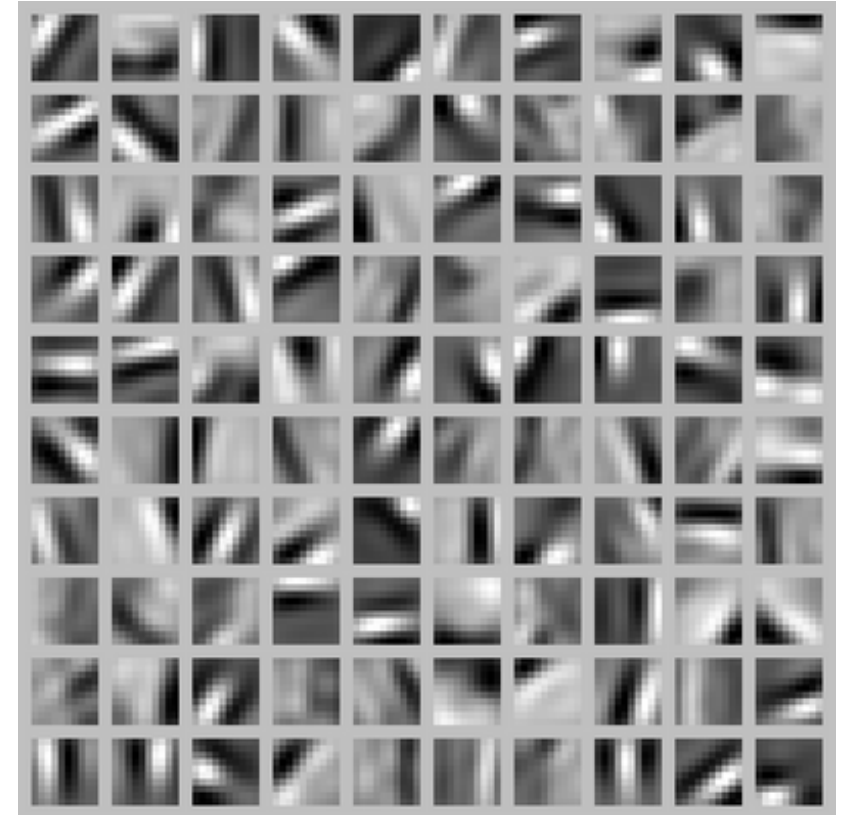
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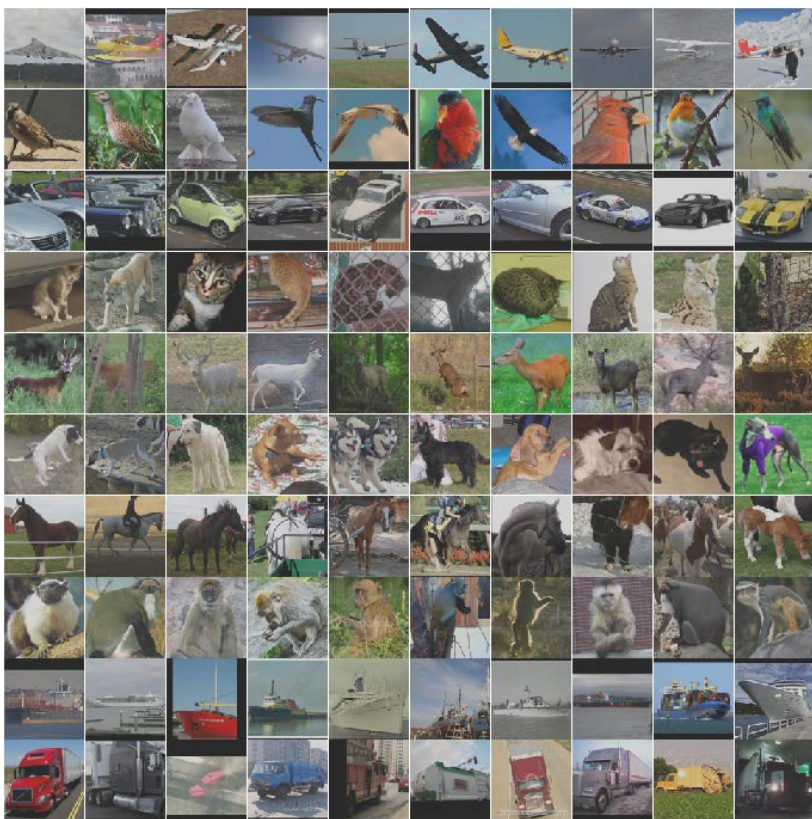




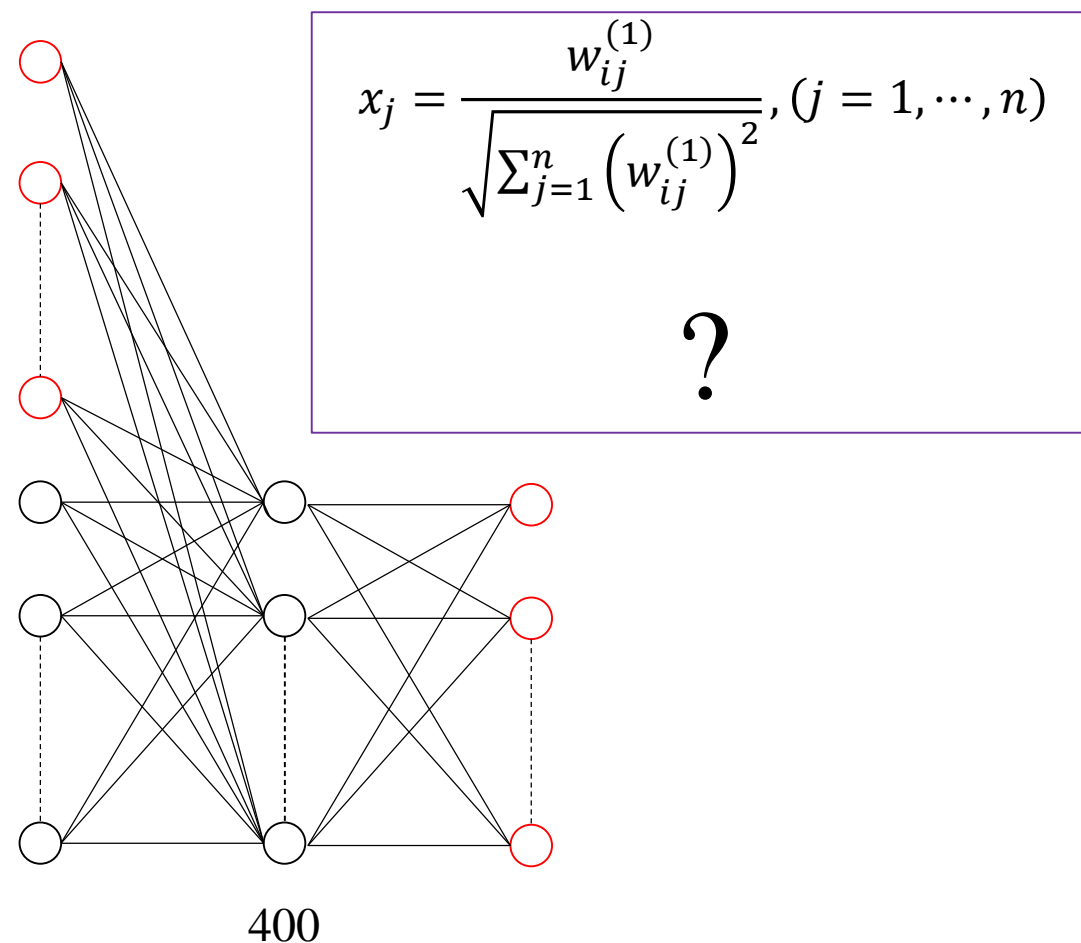
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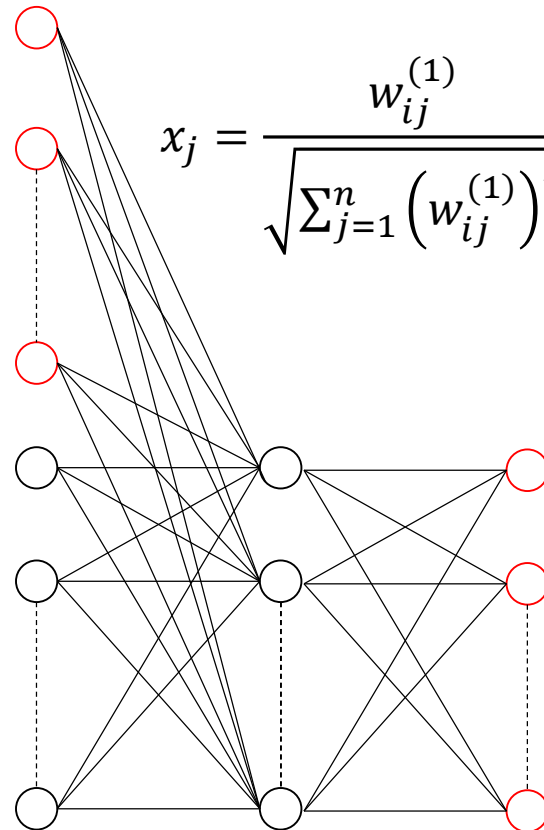
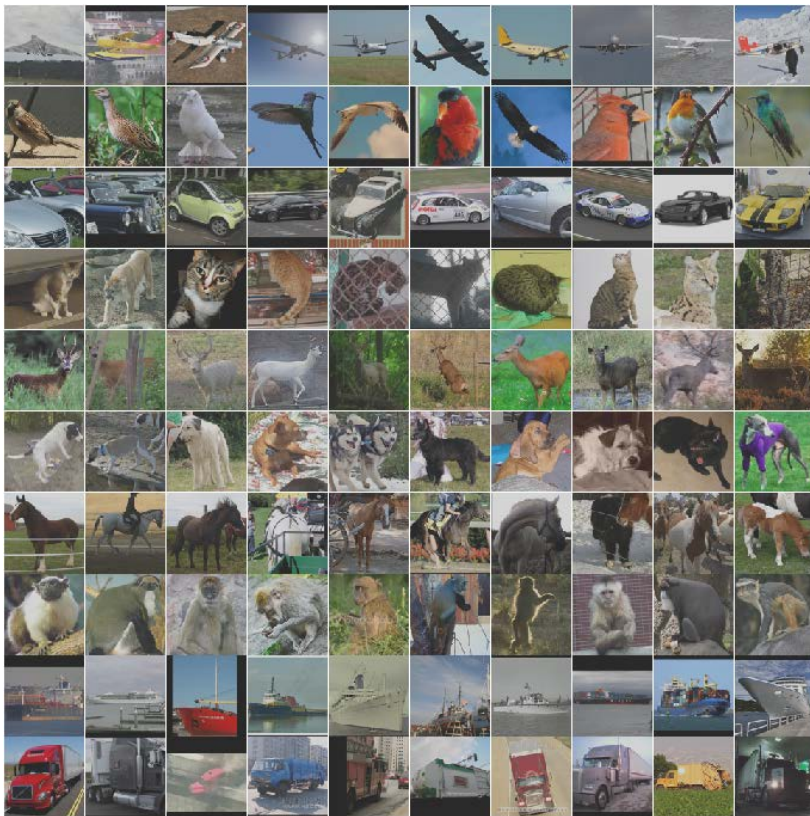
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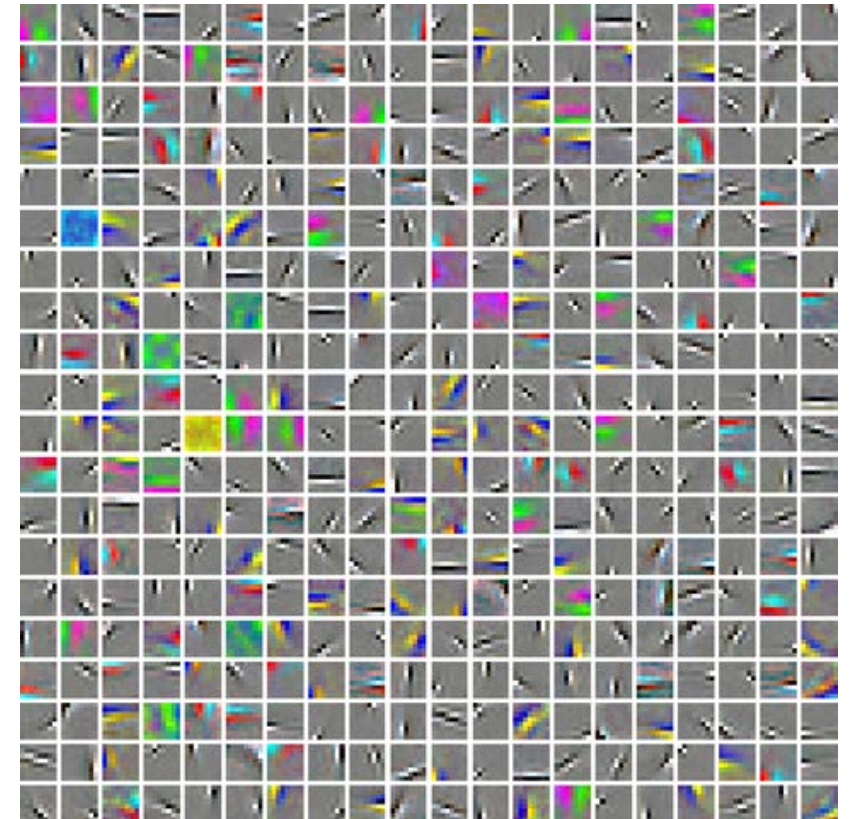
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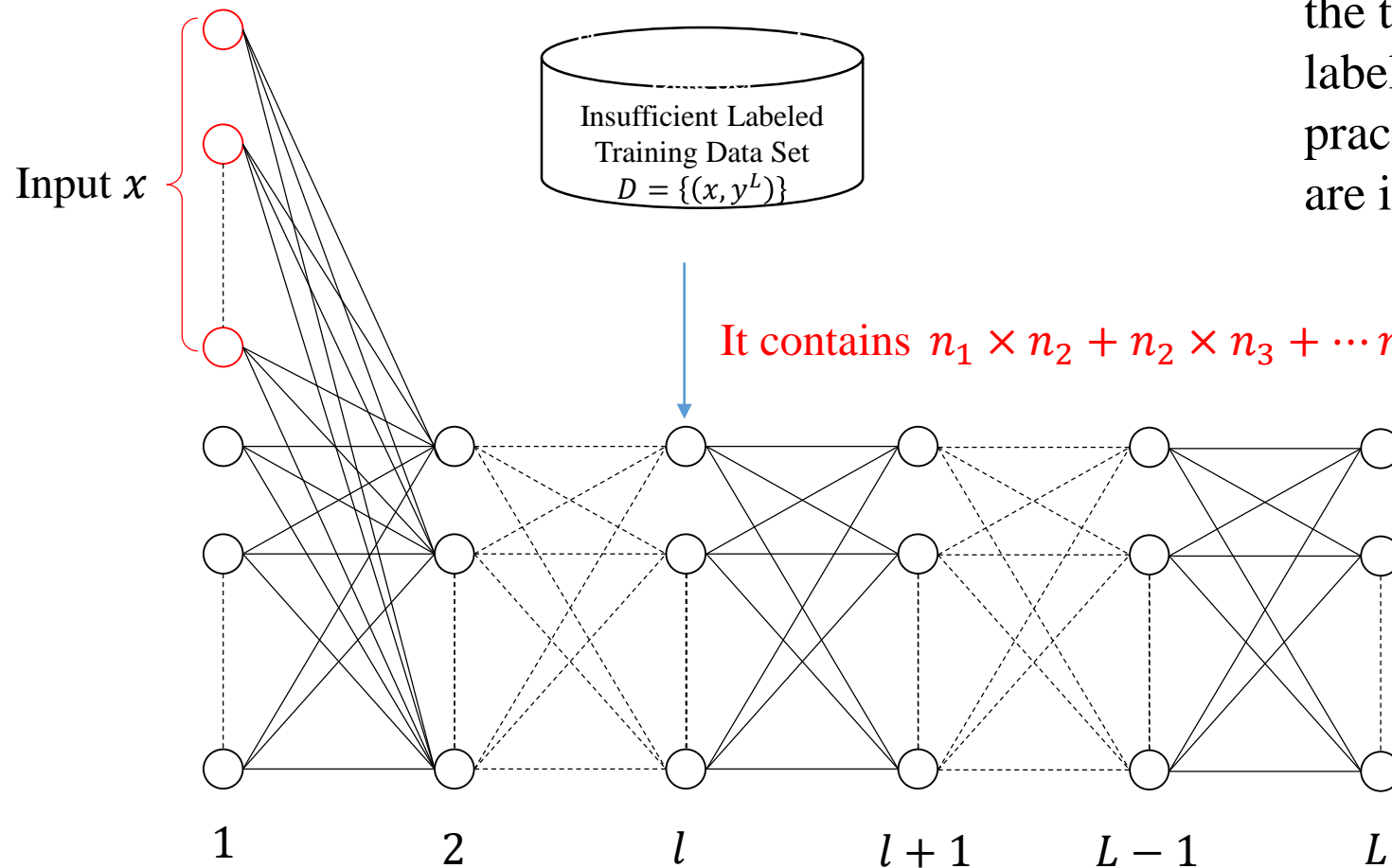
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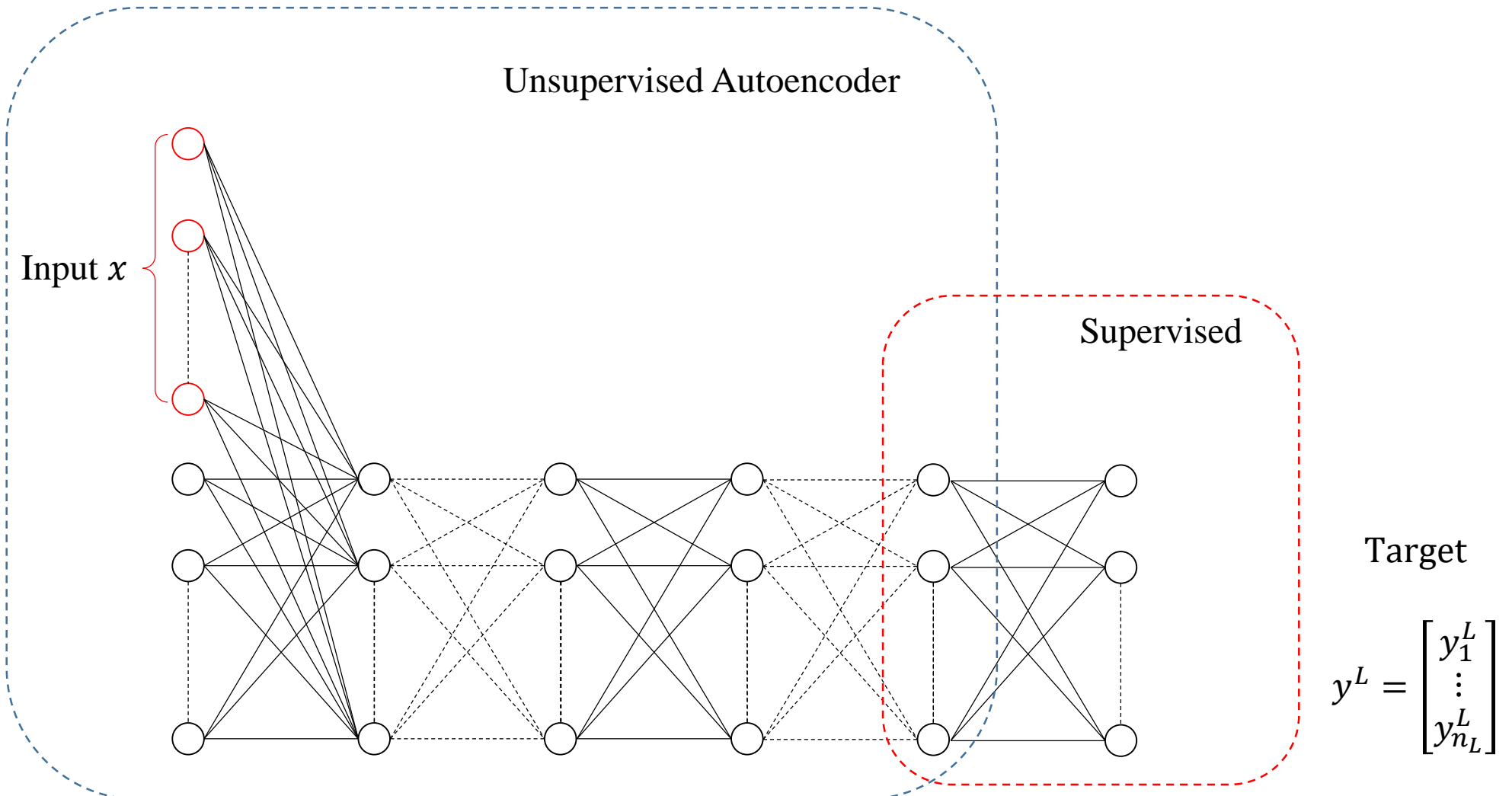
In supervised learning, to train the network, the training data set should contain sufficient labeled training data. However, in many practice applications, the labeled training data are insufficient. How to solve this problem?

Target

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



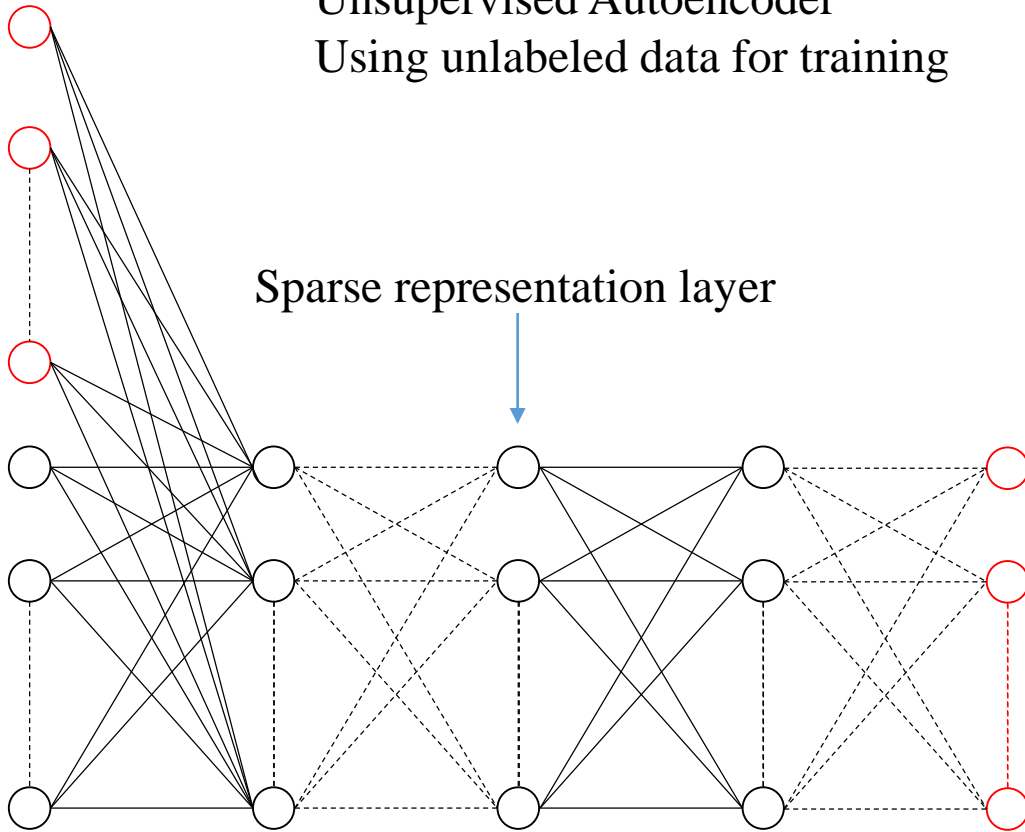
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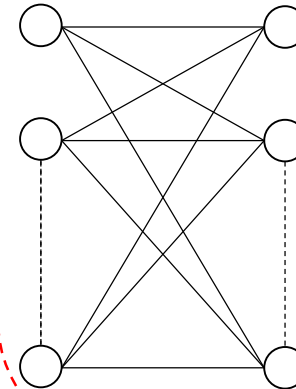
Unsupervised Autoencoder  
Using unlabeled data for training

Sparse representation layer



$l$  layer

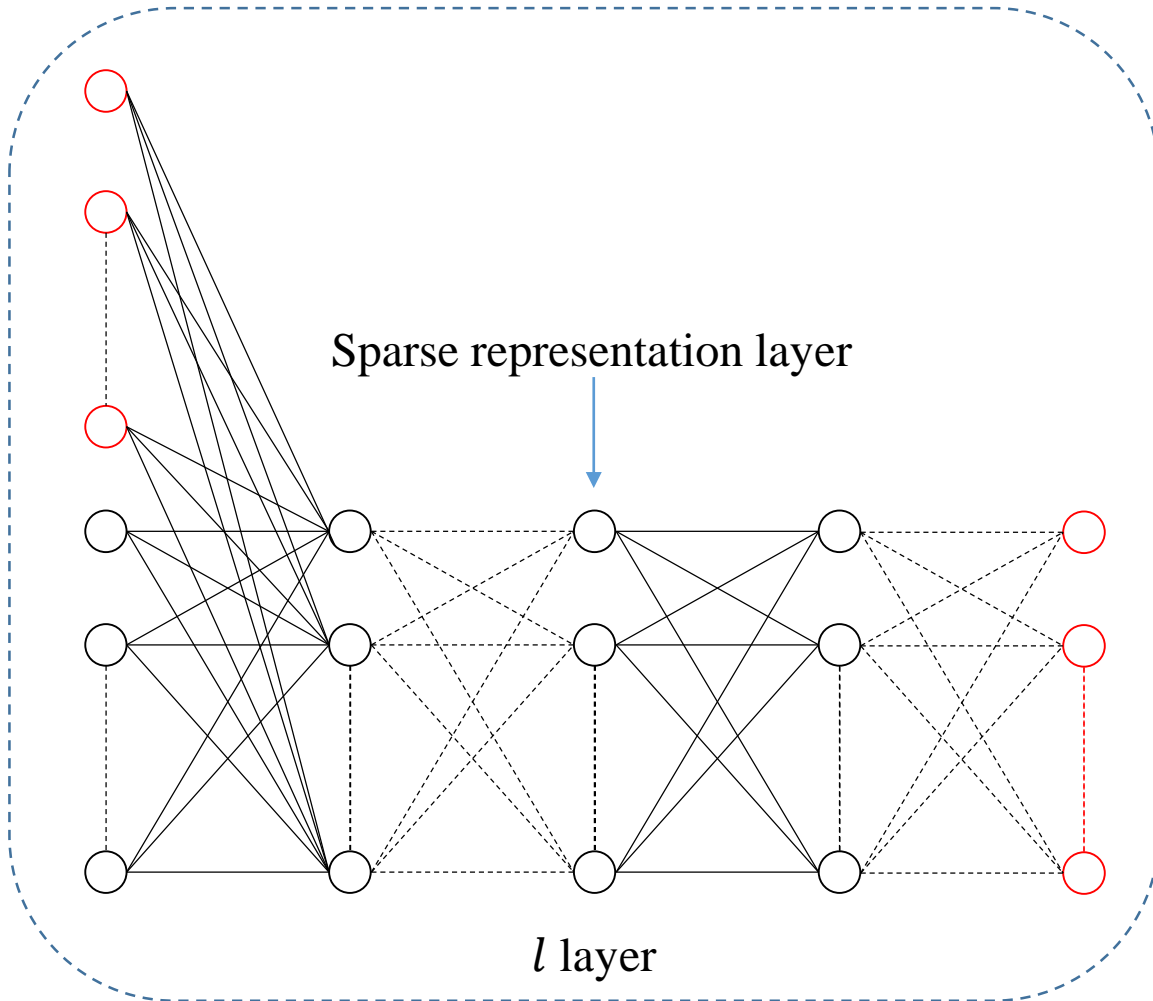
Supervised Two Layer Network  
It contains  $n^{L-1} \times n^L$  parameters.  
Using labeled data for training



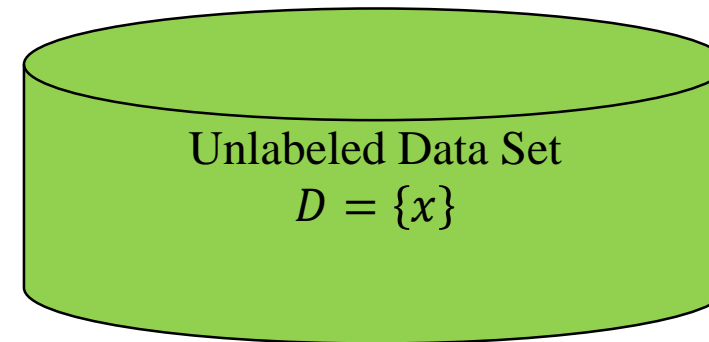
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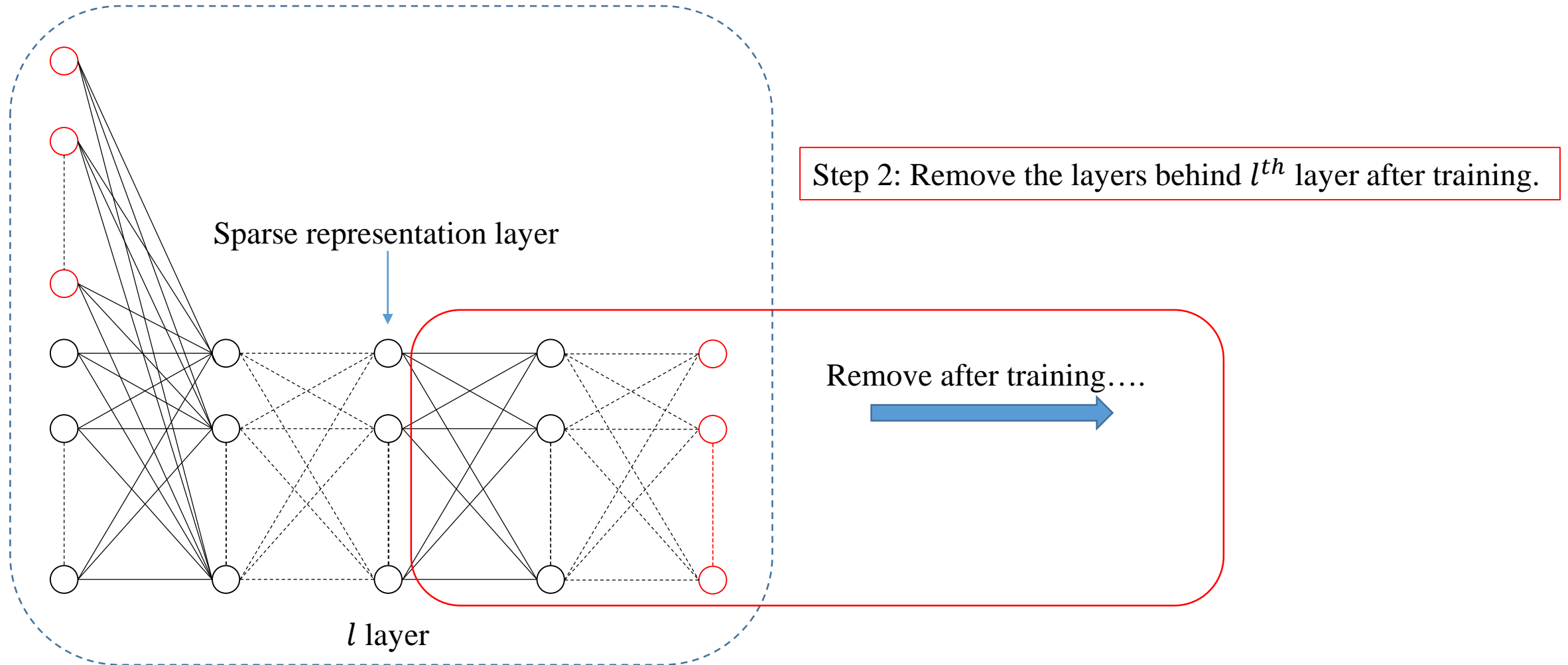
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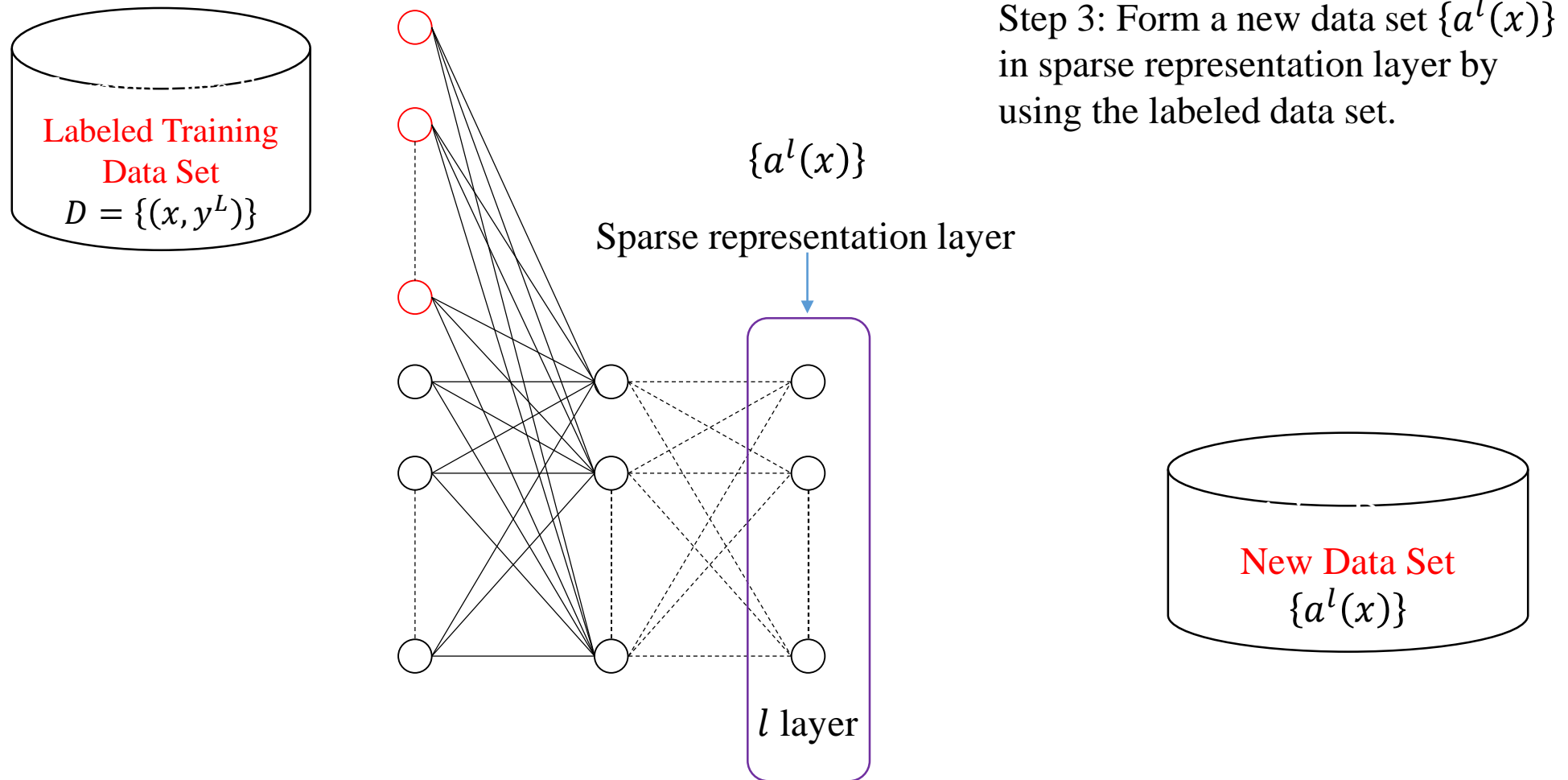
Step 1: Train the autoencoder by **using unlabeled data**.



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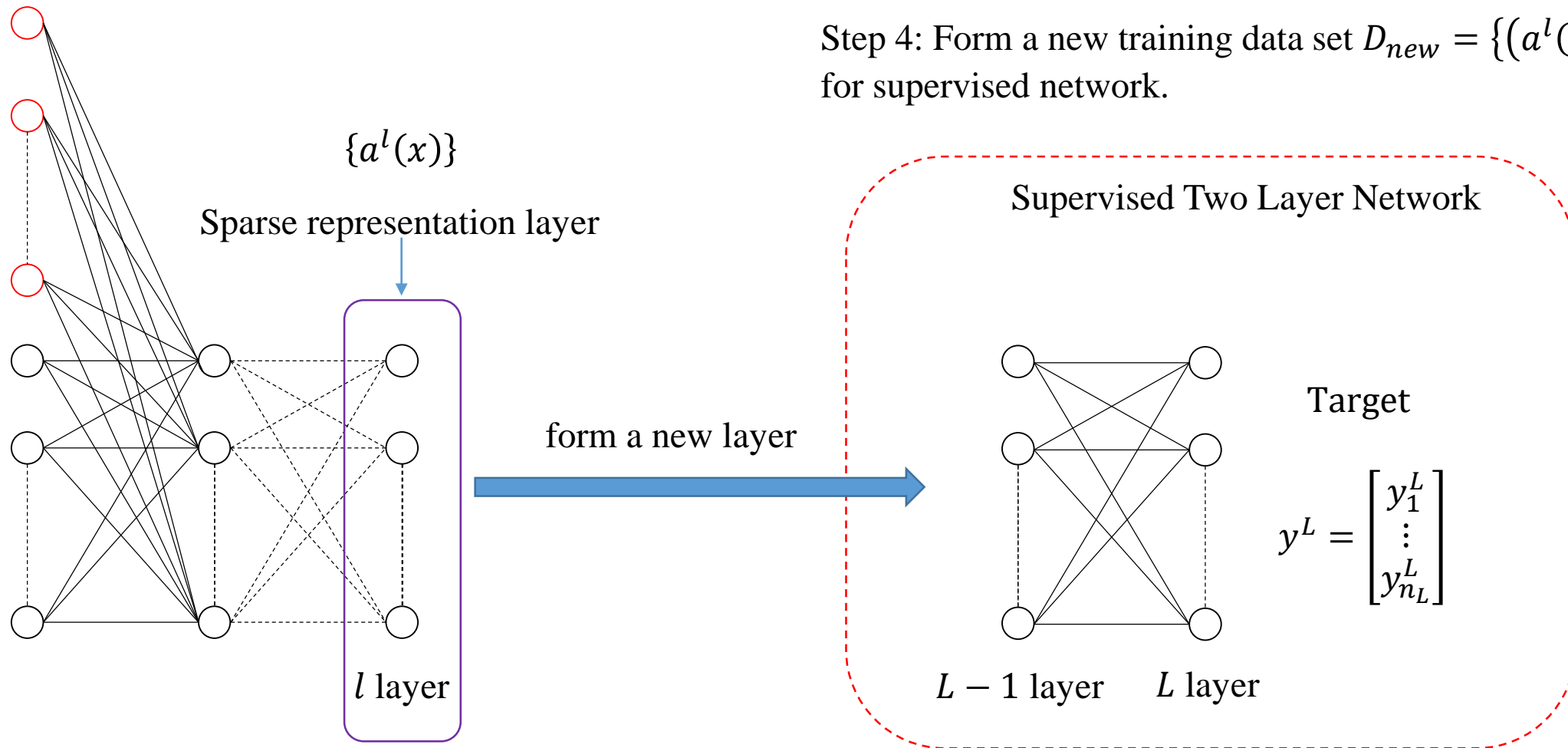


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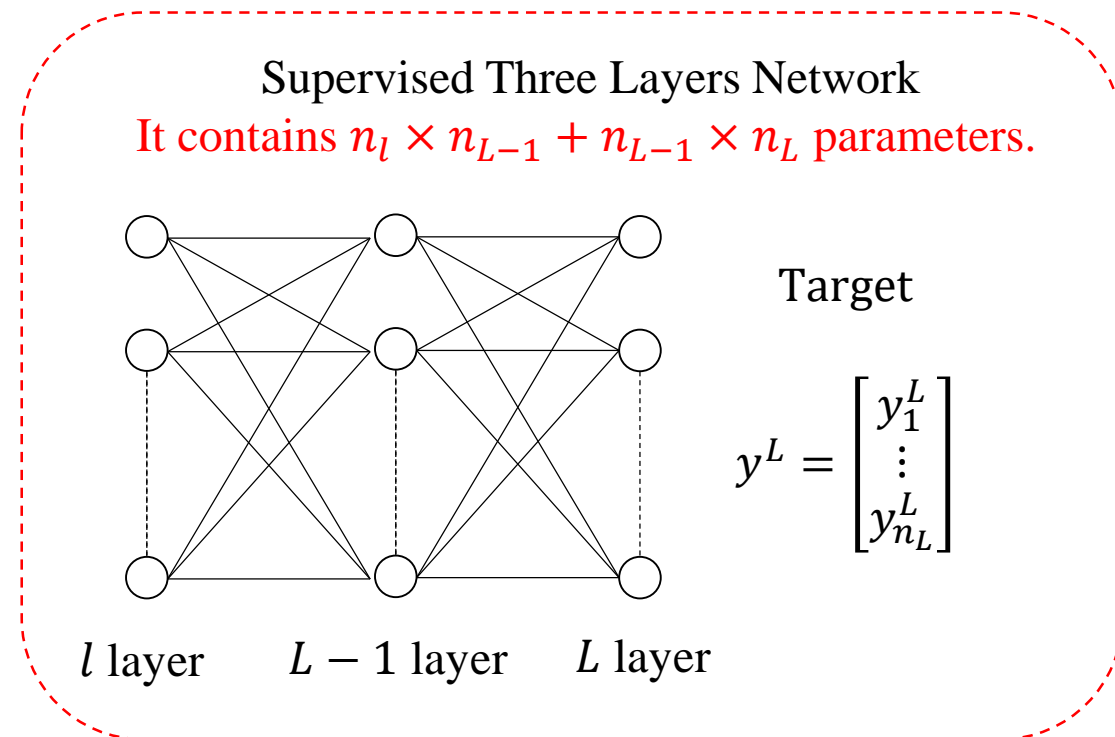
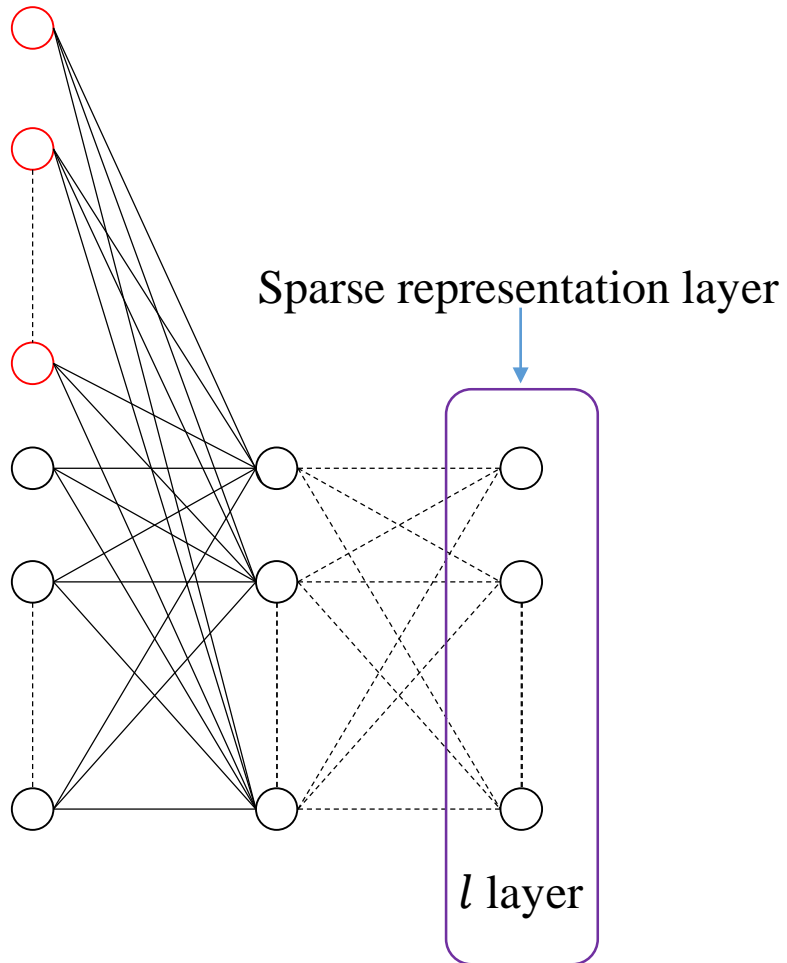
Step 4: Form a new training data set  $D_{new} = \{(a^l(x), y^L)\}$  for supervised network.



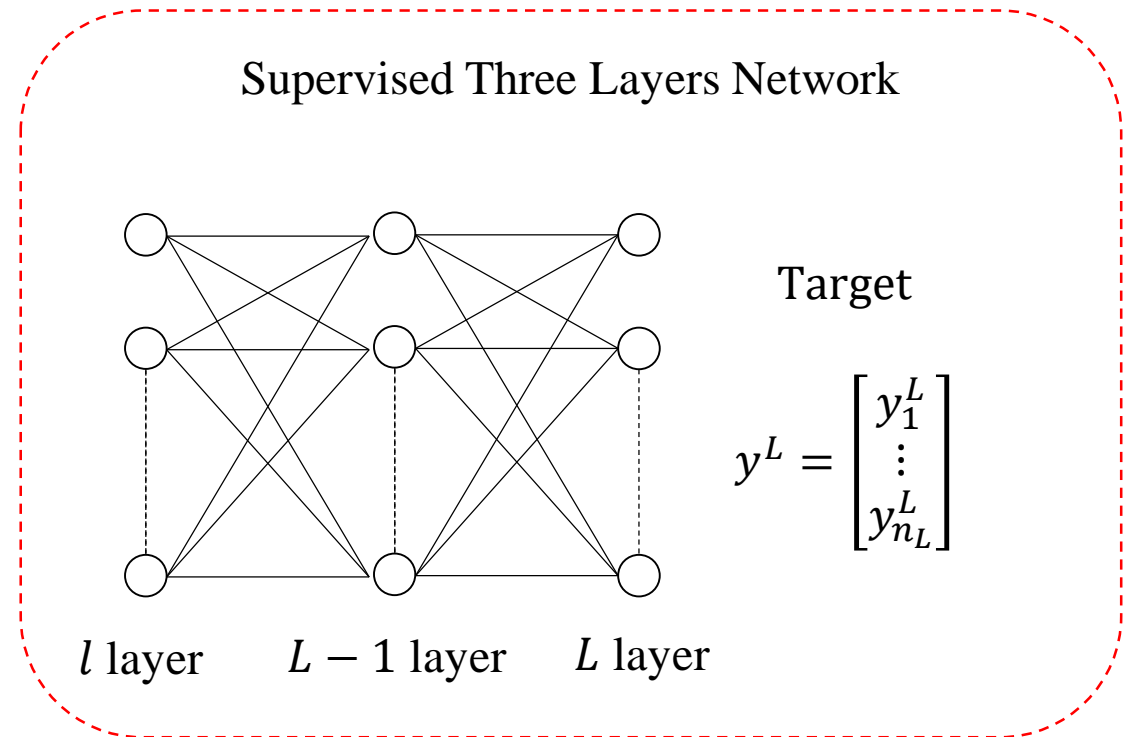
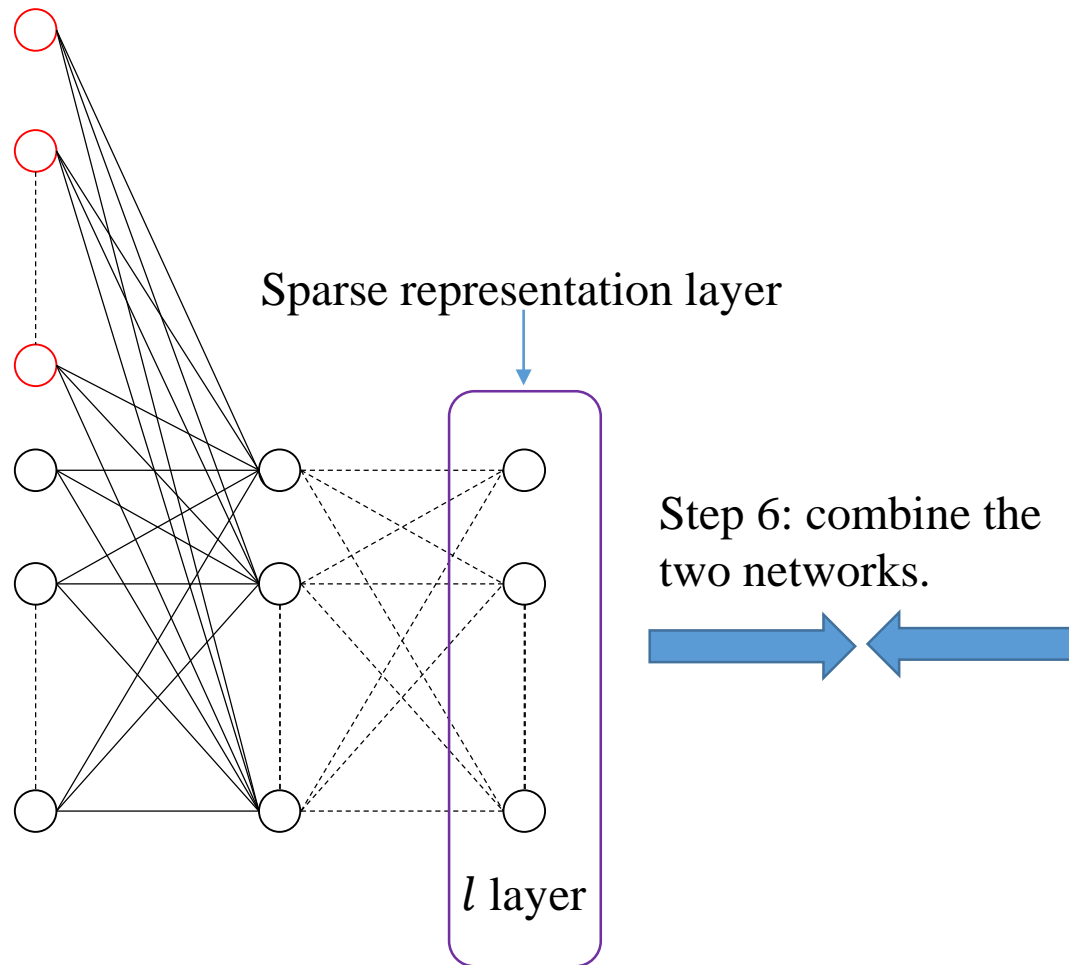
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Step 5: Training the network by using the new data set

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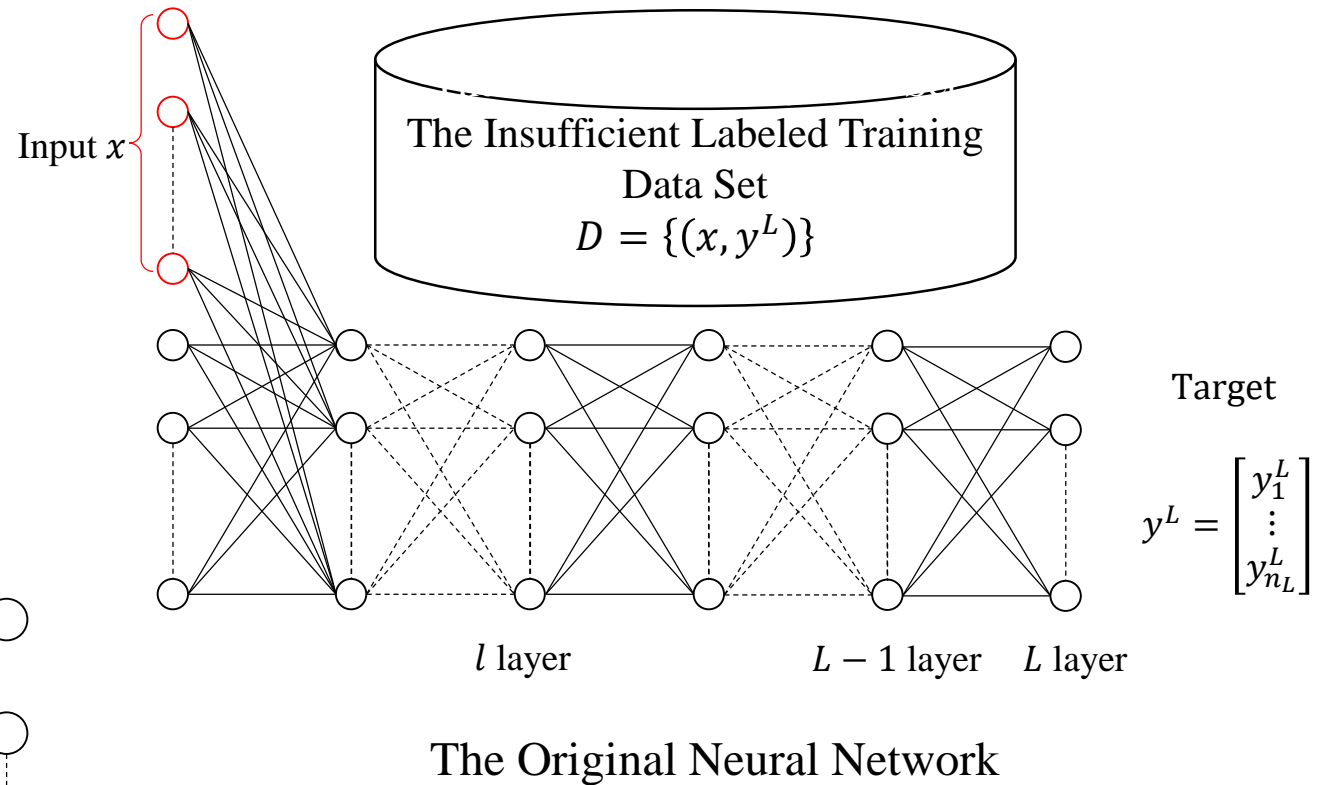
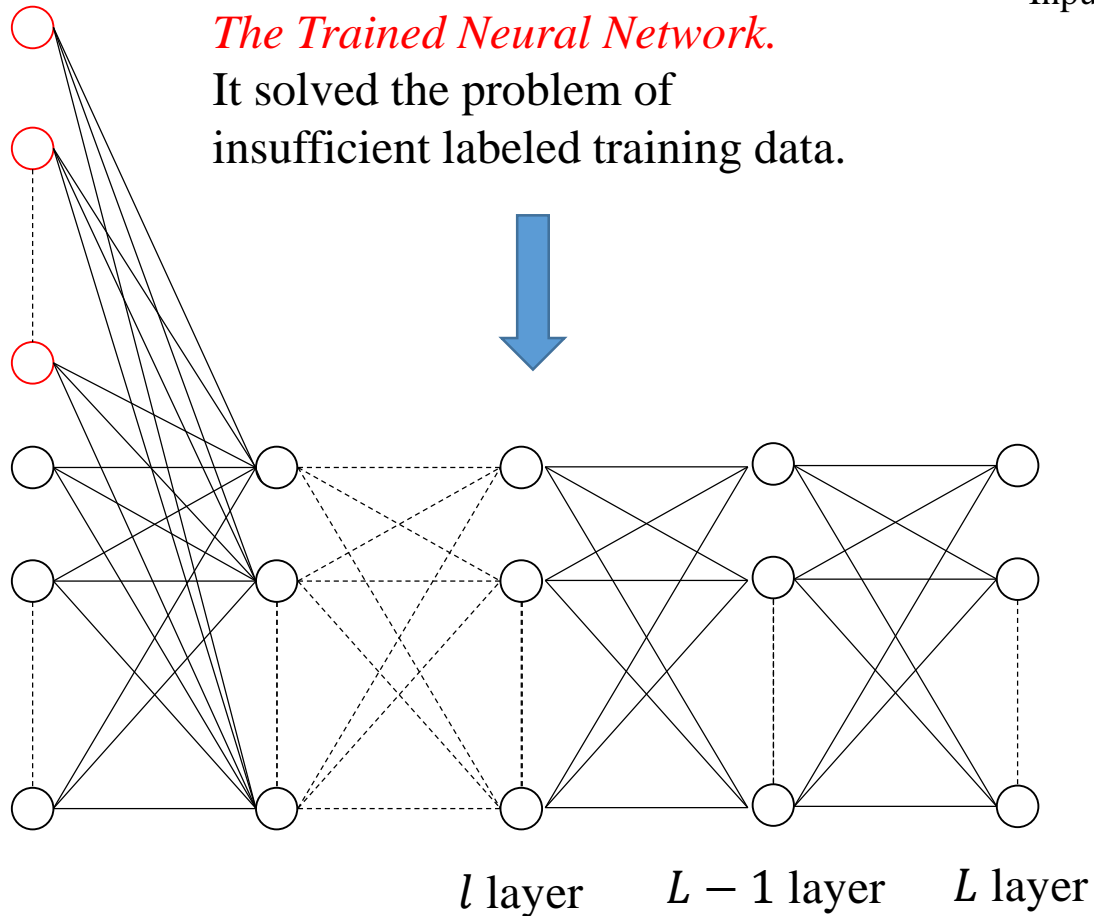


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Prove that

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

2. Given the optimization problem

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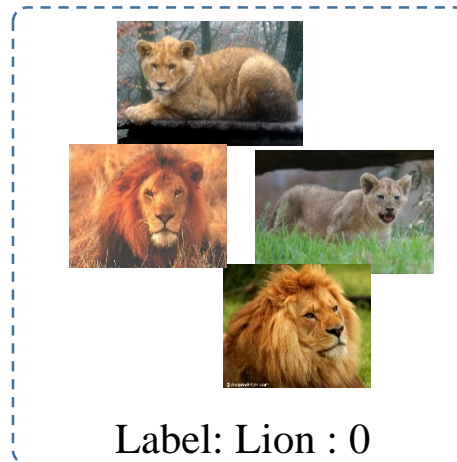
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# Assignment 2

## *Assignment:*

In this example, the labeled training data are insufficient to train a classifier by using BP directly. However, a good classifier can be developed by using the autoencoder method. Please do it.





# *Q & A*



*The End*