

Neural networks

Training neural networks - activation function derivative

GRADIENT COMPUTATION

Topics: loss gradient at hidden layers
pre-activation

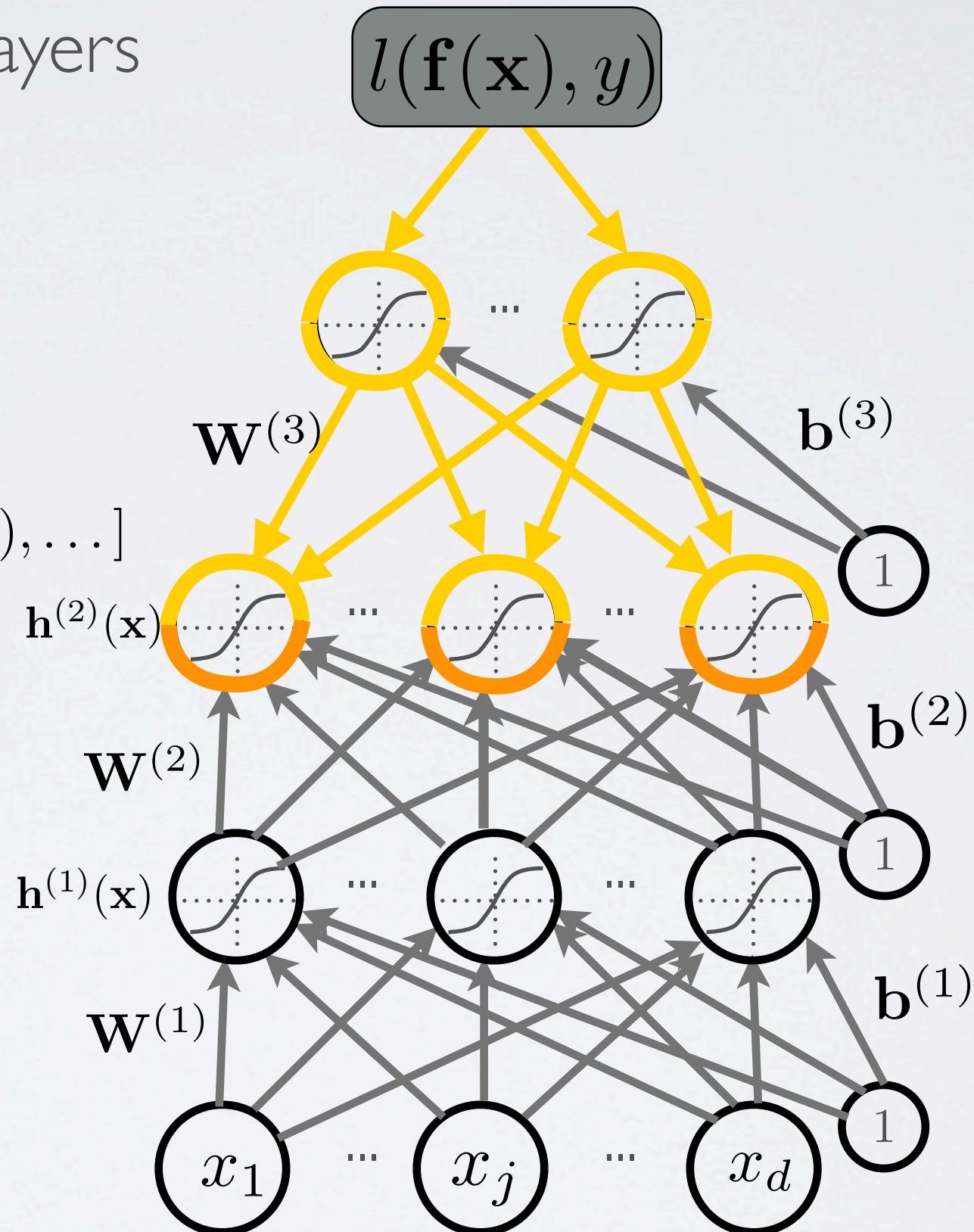
- Gradient:

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y \\ = & \left(\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y \right)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} \mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x}) \\ = & \left(\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y \right) \odot [\dots, g'(a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j), \dots] \end{aligned}$$

↑
element-wise
product

REMINDER

$$h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j = g(a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j)$$

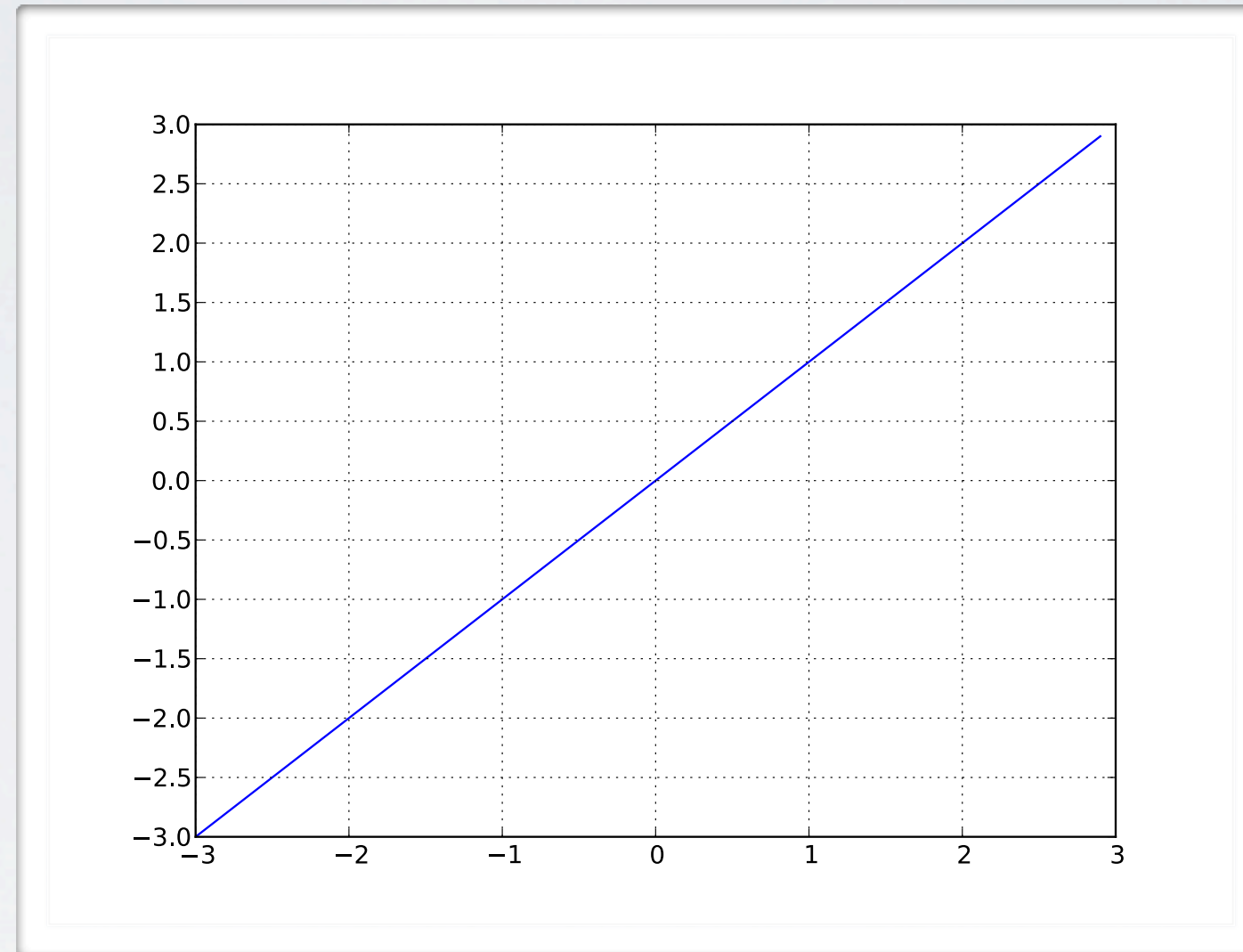


ACTIVATION FUNCTION

Topics: linear activation function gradient

- Partial derivative:

$$g'(a) = 1$$



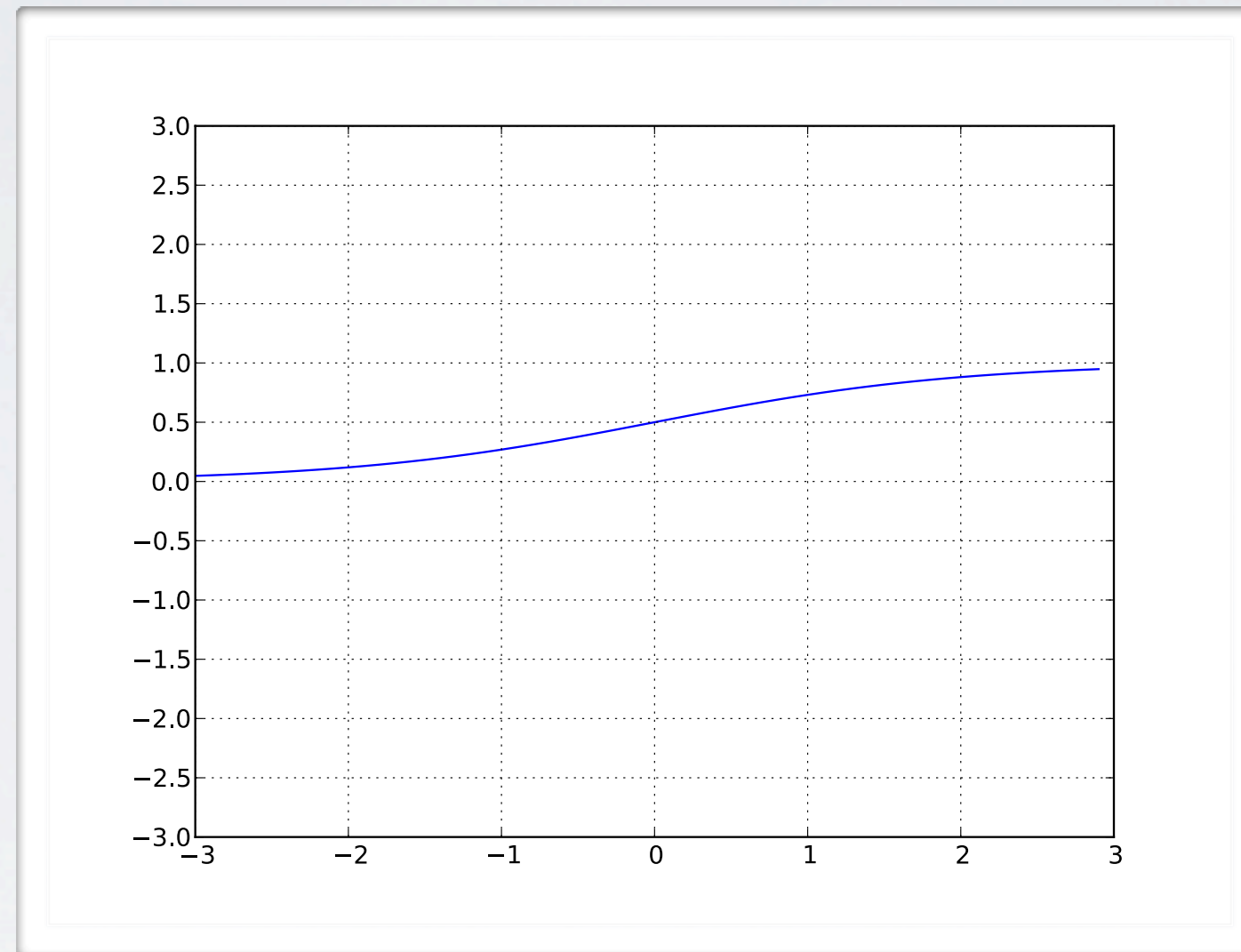
$$g(a) = a$$

ACTIVATION FUNCTION

Topics: sigmoid activation function gradient

- Partial derivative:

$$g'(a) = g(a)(1 - g(a))$$



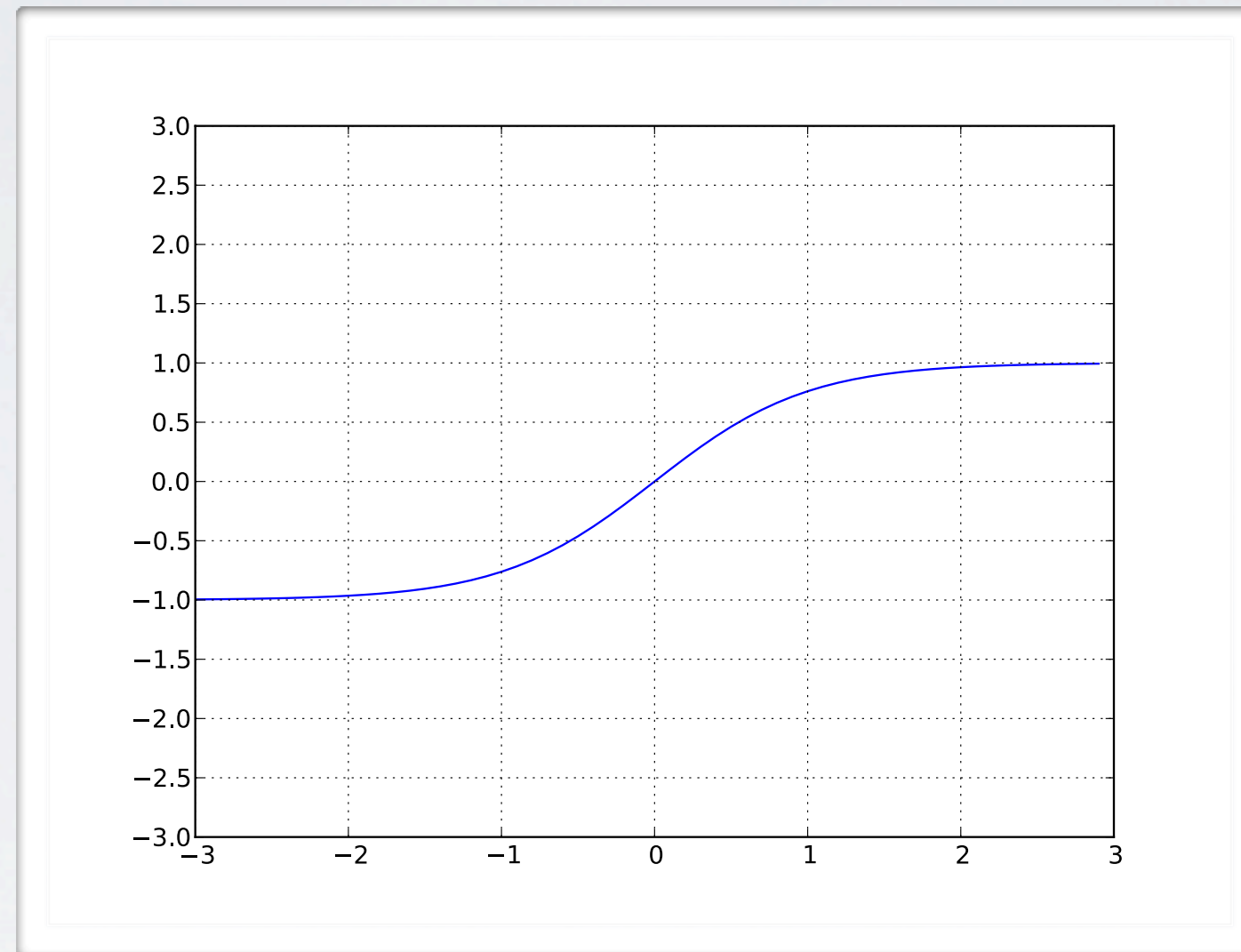
$$g(a) = \text{sigm}(a) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a)}$$

ACTIVATION FUNCTION

Topics: tanh activation function gradient

- Partial derivative:

$$g'(a) = 1 - g(a)^2$$



$$g(a) = \tanh(a) = \frac{\exp(a) - \exp(-a)}{\exp(a) + \exp(-a)} = \frac{\exp(2a) - 1}{\exp(2a) + 1}$$