

Today

1. optimization
2. differentiation

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$$u_t - 0.0001u_{xx} + 5u^3 - 5u = 0$$

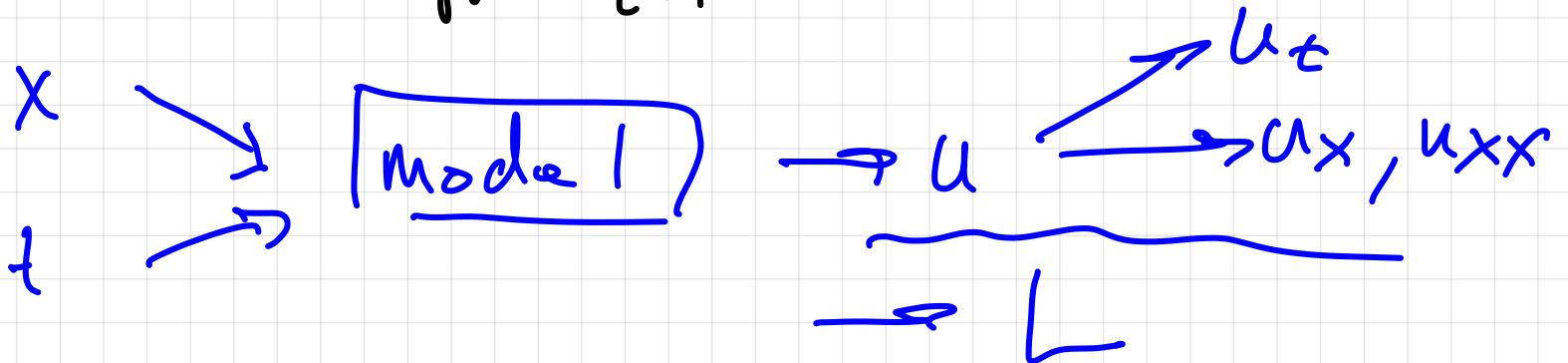
$$u(0, x) = x^2 \cos(\pi x)$$

$$u(t, -1) = u(t, 1)$$

$$u_x(t, -1) = u_x(t, 1)$$

Let  $f(x, t) = u_t - 0.0001u_{xx} + 5u^3 - 5u$

let  $L = \text{objective}$  or  $\text{loss}$   
$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N |f(x^i, t^i)|$$

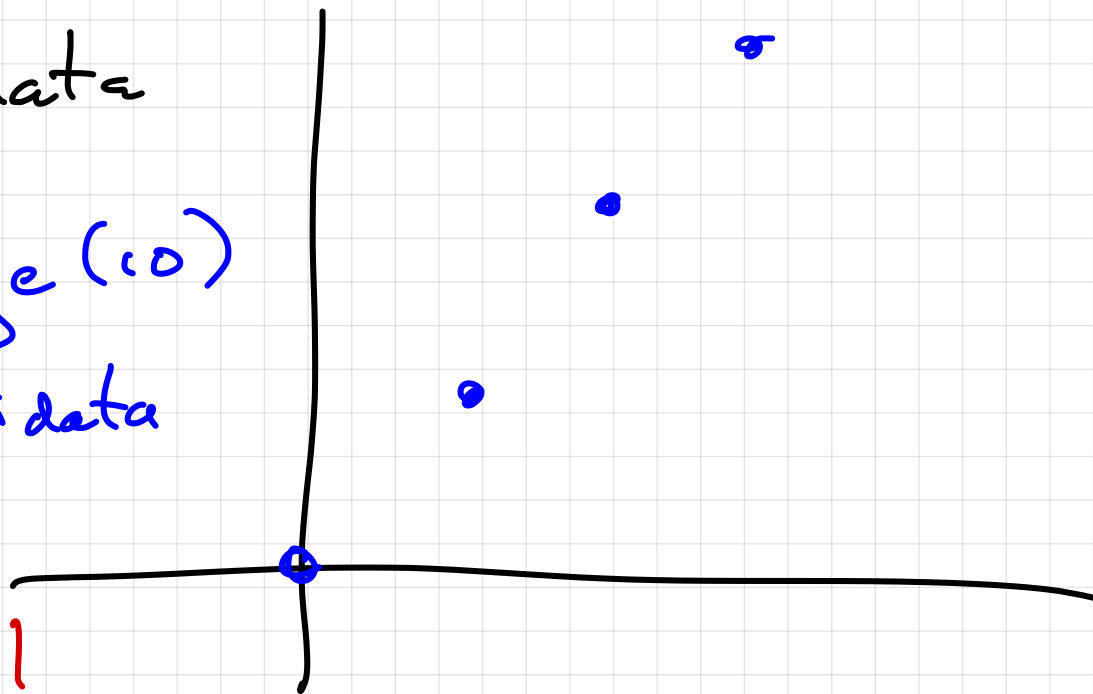


Demo

Have some data

$$x_{data} = \text{arange}(10)$$

$$y_{data} = 2 * x_{data}$$



Goal: find model

$$y = wx + b$$

Use an Error:

let  $\hat{w}$  be a guess at  $w$

$$\text{let } \hat{y} = \hat{w}x + \hat{b}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{N} \sum (\hat{y} - y_{data})^2$$

In this case

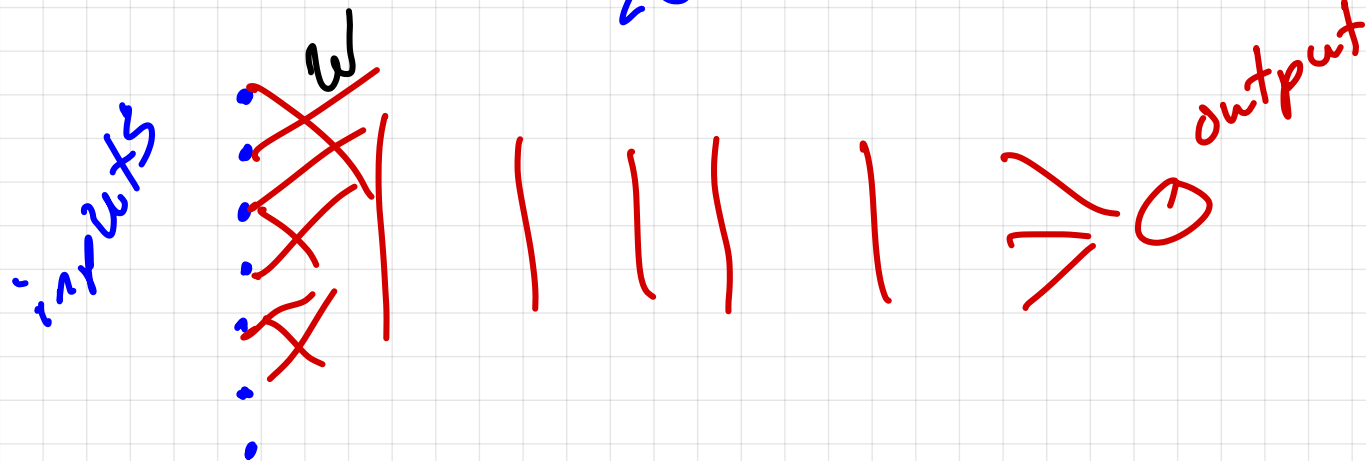
$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\hat{y}_n - y_n)^2$$

data

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (w x_n - y_n)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{\partial}{\partial w} (w x_n - y_n)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum 2 (w x_n - y_n) x_n$$

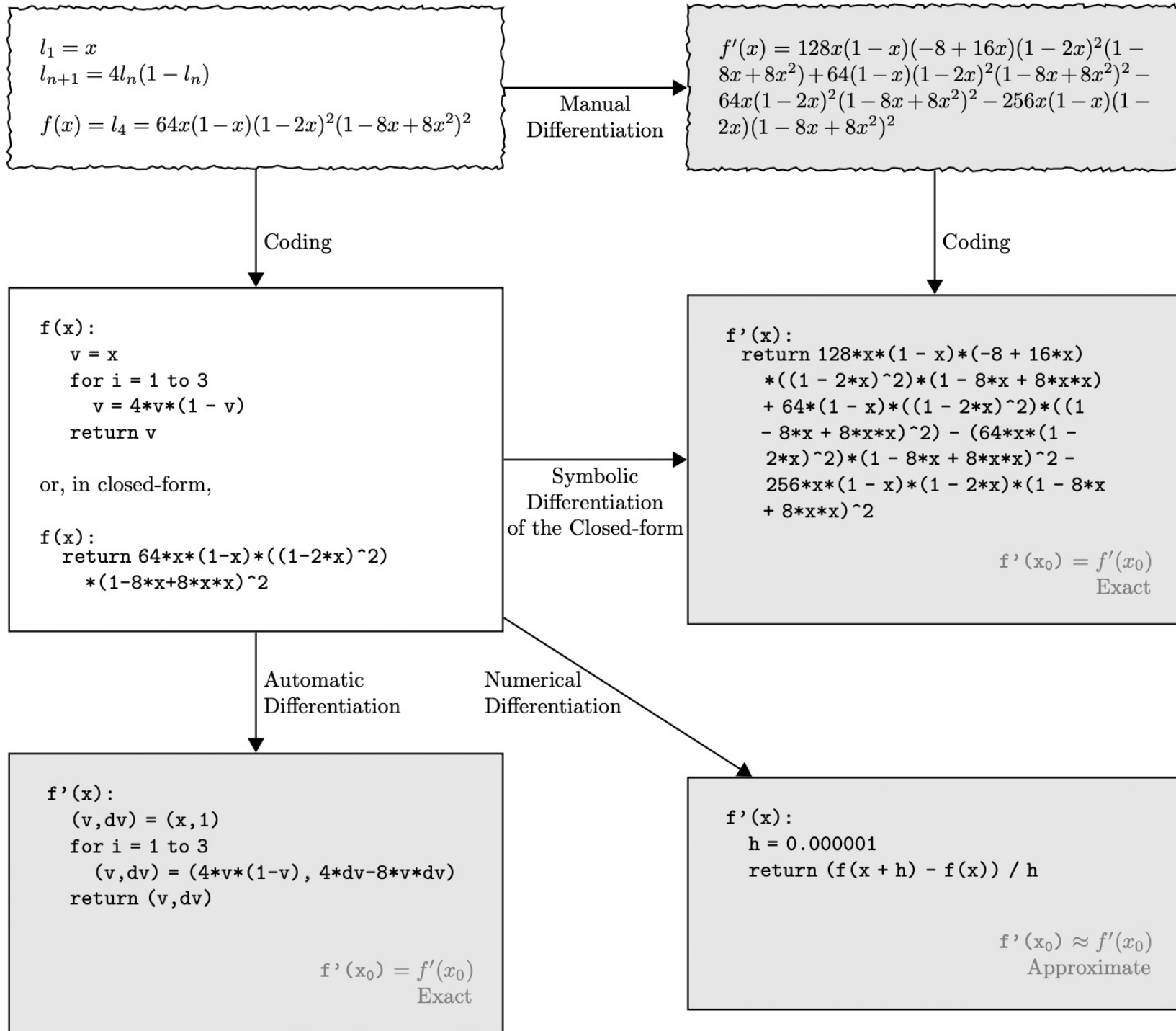


many ways

1. symboliz diff :  $x^2 \rightarrow 2x$

2. numerical diff :  $\frac{u(x+h) - u(x-h)}{2h}$

3. automatiz diff :



Back to the chain rule:

$$y = f(g(h(\underline{x})))$$

$$w_0 = x$$

$$w_1 = h(w_0)$$

$$w_2 = g(w_1)$$

$$w_3 = f(w_2) = y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dw_3} \frac{dw_3}{dw_2} \frac{dw_2}{dw_1} \frac{dw_1}{dx} \\ &= \frac{dy}{dw_3} \cdot \frac{dw_3}{dw_2} \cdot \frac{dw_2}{dw_1} \cdot \frac{dw_1}{dx} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{dy}{dw_3} \cdot \frac{dw_3}{dw_2} \cdot \frac{dw_2}{dw_1} \cdot \frac{dw_1}{dx}$$

~~Back to the chain rule:~~

$$y = e^{\sin(x^2)}$$

$$\text{let } w_0 = x$$

$$w_1 = w_0^2$$

$$w_2 = \sin(w_1)$$

$$w_3 = e^{w_2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{w_2} \cos(w_1) 2w_0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dw_2} \cdot \frac{dw_2}{dw_1} \cdot \frac{dw_1}{dx}$$

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Forward

accumulation:  
inside-out

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Reverse

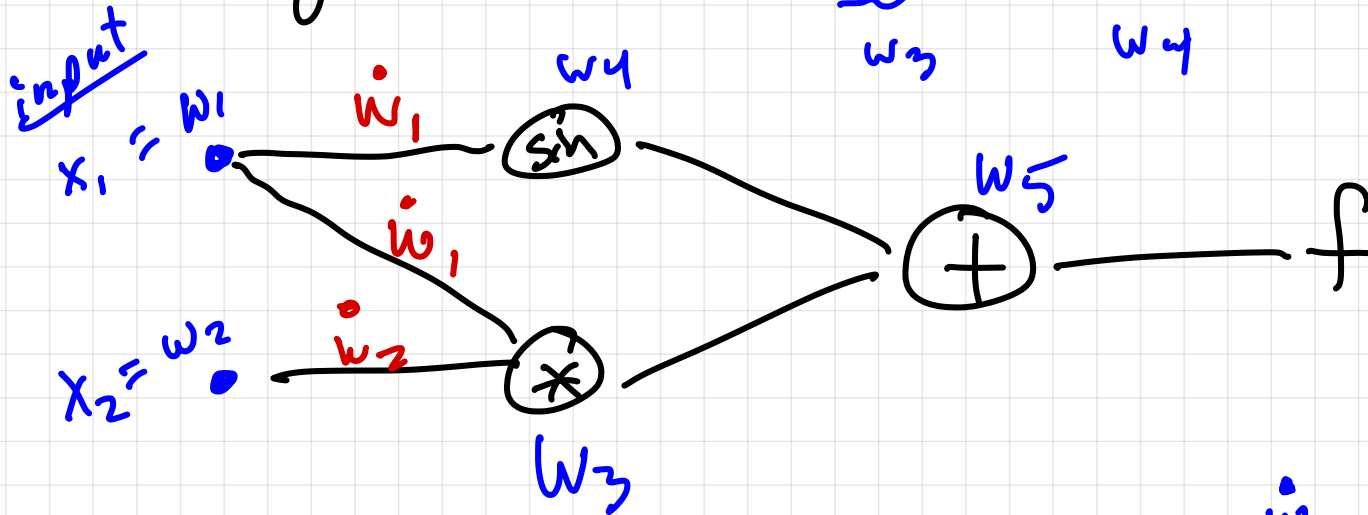
accum.  
outside-in



# Example

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \underbrace{x_1 x_2}_{w_3} + \underbrace{\sin(x_1)}_{w_4}$$

$$\dot{w}_i = \sum_{j \text{ are input}} \frac{\partial w_i}{\partial w_j} \dot{w}_j$$



$$w_1 = x_1$$

$$w_2 = x_2$$

$$w_3 = w_1 \otimes w_2$$

$$w_4 = \sin(w_1)$$

$$w_5 = w_3 + w_4$$

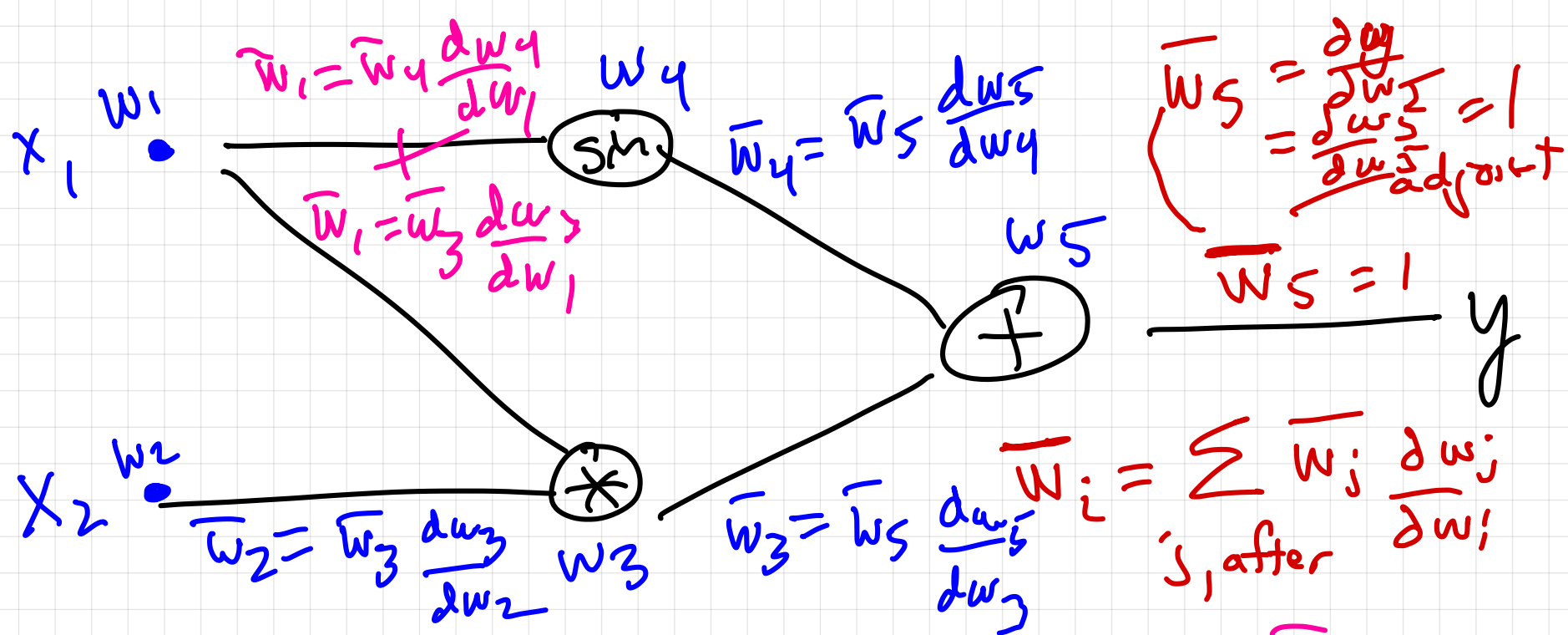
$$\dot{w}_1 = 1$$

$$\dot{w}_2 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{w}_3 &= \frac{\partial w_3}{\partial w_1} \dot{w}_1 + \frac{\partial w_3}{\partial w_2} \dot{w}_2 \\ &= w_2 \dot{w}_1 + w_1 \dot{w}_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{w}_4 = \cos w_1 \cdot \dot{w}_1$$

$$\dot{w}_5 = 1 \cdot \dot{w}_3 + 1 \cdot \dot{w}_4$$



$$w_1 = x_1$$

$$w_2 = x_2$$

$$w_3 = w_1 * w_2$$

$$w_4 = \sin(w_1)$$

$$w_5 = w_3 + w_4$$

↓ fwd prop

reverse  
accumulation ↑

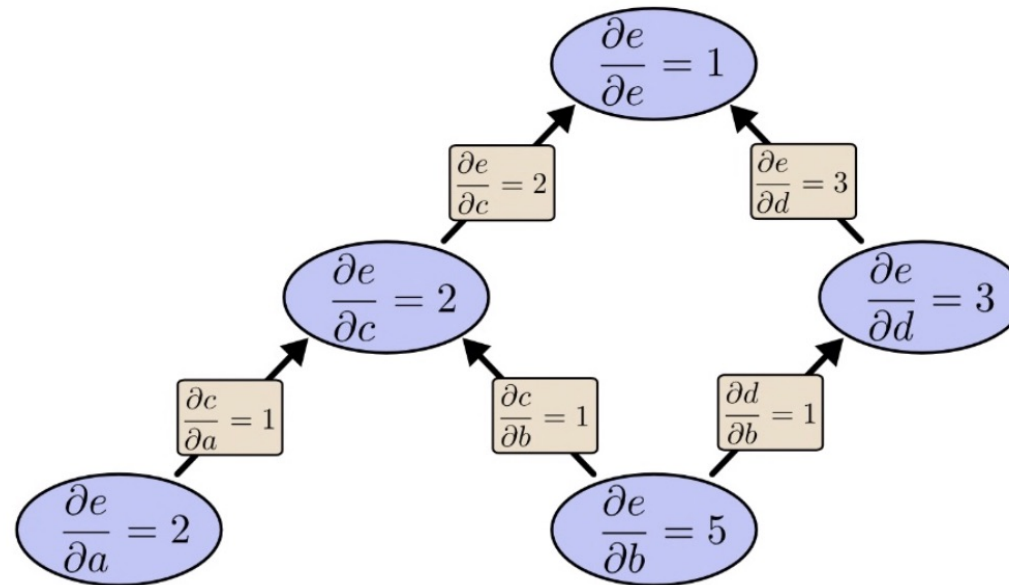
$$\bar{w}_1 = \bar{w}_4 \cos(w_1) + \bar{w}_3 w_2$$

$$\bar{w}_2 = \bar{w}_3 \cdot w_1 = w_1$$

$$\bar{w}_3 = \bar{w}_5 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$\bar{w}_4 = \bar{w}_5 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$\bar{w}_5 = 1$$



When I say that reverse-mode differentiation gives us the derivative of  $e$  with respect to every node, I really do mean *every node*. We get both  $\frac{\partial e}{\partial a}$  and  $\frac{\partial e}{\partial b}$ , the derivatives of  $e$  with respect to both inputs. Forward-mode differentiation gave us the derivative of our output with respect to a single input, but reverse-mode differentiation gives us all of them.

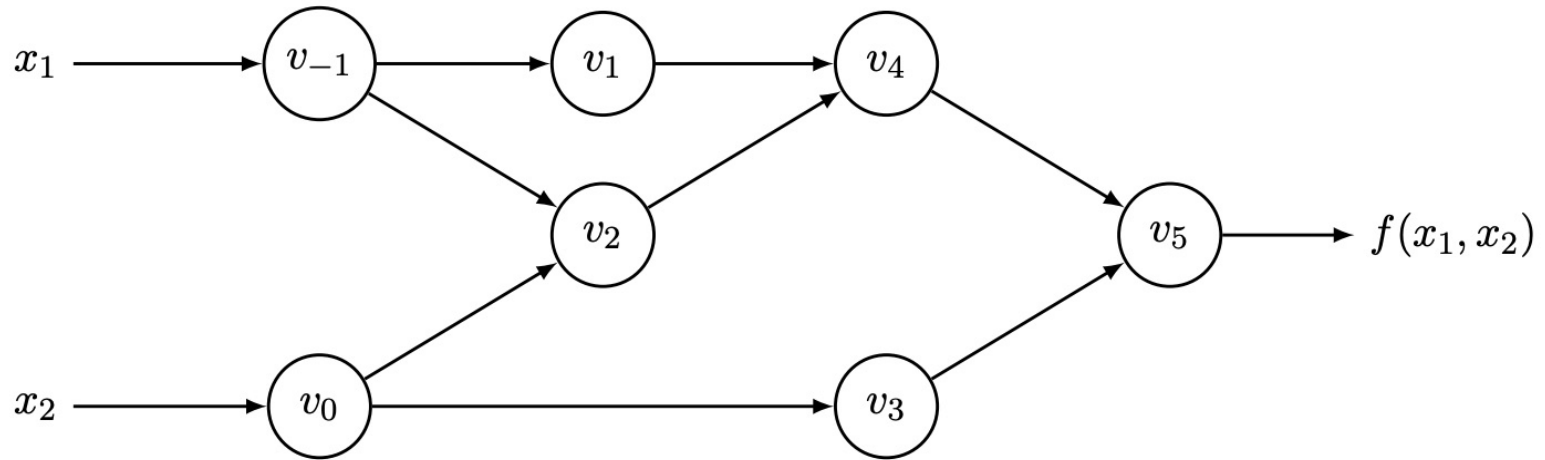
For this graph, that's only a factor of two speed up, but imagine a function with a million inputs and one output. Forward-mode differentiation would require us to go through the graph a million times to get the derivatives. Reverse-mode differentiation can get them all in one fell swoop! A speed up of a factor of a million is pretty nice!

Try it

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1 x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

- ① Draw the compute graph
- ② Write forward accum.
- ③ " reverse "

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 1 + 3 = 6 \end{array}$$



$v_{-1} = 2$  for example

$v_0 = 5$

$v_1 = \ln v_{-1}$

$v_2 = v_{-1} * v_0$

$v_3 = \sin v_0$

$v_4 = v_1 + v_2$

$v_5 = v_4 - v_3$

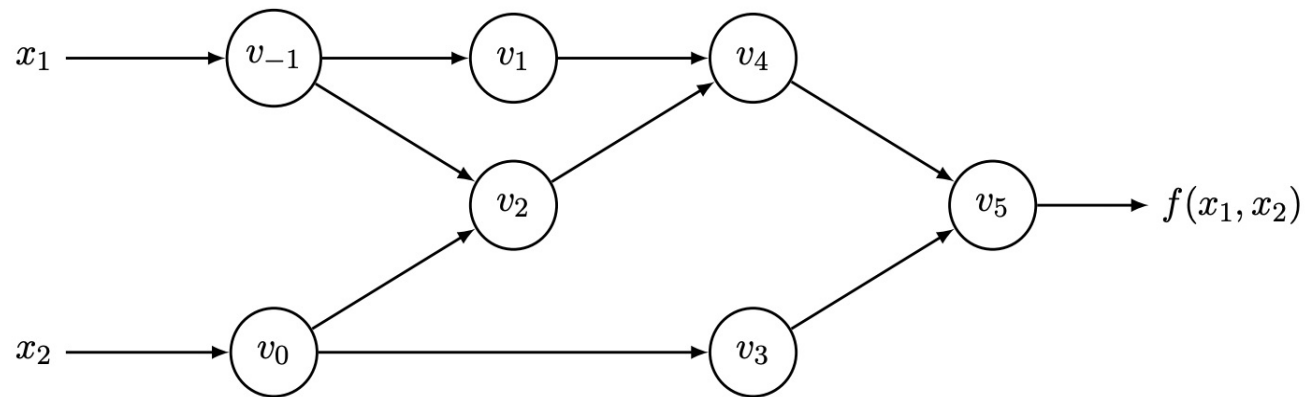
$= y$

Forward Primal Trace

$v_{-1} = x_1$	$= 2$
$v_0 = x_2$	$= 5$
$v_1 = \ln v_{-1}$	$= \ln 2$
$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0$	$= 2 \times 5$
$v_3 = \sin v_0$	$= \sin 5$
$v_4 = v_1 + v_2$	$= 0.693 + 10$
$v_5 = v_4 - v_3$	$= 10.693 + 0.959$
$y = v_5$	$= 11.652$

Forward Tangent (Derivative) Trace

$\dot{v}_{-1} = \dot{x}_1$	$= 1$
$\dot{v}_0 = \dot{x}_2$	$= 0$
$\dot{v}_1 = \dot{v}_{-1} / v_{-1}$	$= 1/2$
$\dot{v}_2 = \dot{v}_{-1} \times v_0 + \dot{v}_0 \times v_{-1}$	$= 1 \times 5 + 0 \times 2$
$\dot{v}_3 = \dot{v}_0 \times \cos v_0$	$= 0 \times \cos 5$
$\dot{v}_4 = \dot{v}_1 + \dot{v}_2$	$= 0.5 + 5$
$\dot{v}_5 = \dot{v}_4 - \dot{v}_3$	$= 5.5 - 0$
$\dot{y} = \dot{v}_5$	$= 5.5$



### Forward Primal Trace

$$v_{-1} = x_1 = 2$$

$$v_0 = x_2 = 5$$

$$v_1 = \ln v_{-1} = \ln 2$$

$$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0 = 2 \times 5$$

$$v_3 = \sin v_0 = \sin 5$$

$$v_4 = v_1 + v_2 = 0.693 + 10$$

$$v_5 = v_4 - v_3 = 10.693 + 0.959$$

$$y = v_5 = 11.652$$

### Reverse Adjoint (Derivative) Trace

$$\bar{x}_1 = \bar{v}_{-1} = 5.5$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = \bar{v}_0 = 1.716$$

$$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial v_{-1}} = \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 / v_{-1} = 5.5$$

$$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \times v_{-1} = 1.716$$

$$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_{-1}} = \bar{v}_2 \times v_0 = 5$$

$$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_3 \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_3 \times \cos v_0 = -0.284$$

$$\bar{v}_2 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_2} = \bar{v}_4 \times 1 = 1$$

$$\bar{v}_1 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_1} = \bar{v}_4 \times 1 = 1$$

$$\bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_3} = \bar{v}_5 \times (-1) = -1$$

$$\bar{v}_4 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_4} = \bar{v}_5 \times 1 = 1$$

$$\bar{v}_5 = \bar{y} = 1$$