

# Neural networks

Training neural networks - hidden layer gradient

# MACHINE LEARNING

**Topics:** stochastic gradient descent (SGD)

- Algorithm that performs updates after each example

- ▶ initialize  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  ( $\boldsymbol{\theta} \equiv \{\mathbf{W}^{(1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{W}^{(L+1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(L+1)}\}$ )
- ▶ for N iterations
  - for each training example  $(\mathbf{x}^{(t)}, y^{(t)})$
  - ✓  $\Delta = -\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} l(f(\mathbf{x}^{(t)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}), y^{(t)}) - \lambda \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \Omega(\boldsymbol{\theta})$
  - ✓  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \leftarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} + \alpha \Delta$

} training epoch  
 iteration over **all** examples

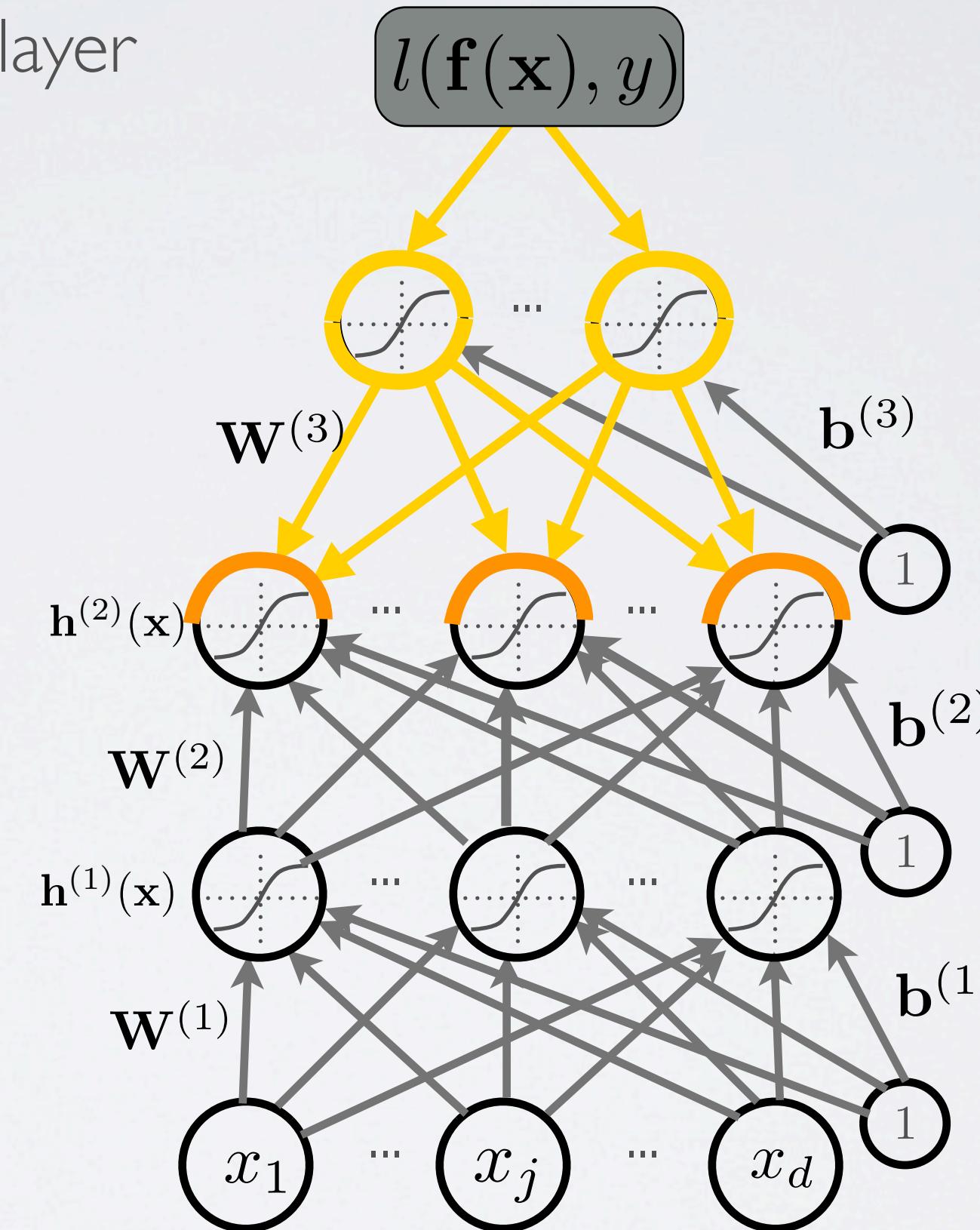
- To apply this algorithm to neural network training, we need

- ▶ the loss function  $l(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(t)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}), y^{(t)})$
- ▶ a procedure to compute the parameter gradients  $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} l(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(t)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}), y^{(t)})$
- ▶ the regularizer  $\Omega(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  (and the gradient  $\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \Omega(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ )
- ▶ initialization method

# GRADIENT COMPUTATION

**Topics:** loss gradient at hidden layer

- ... this is getting complicated!!



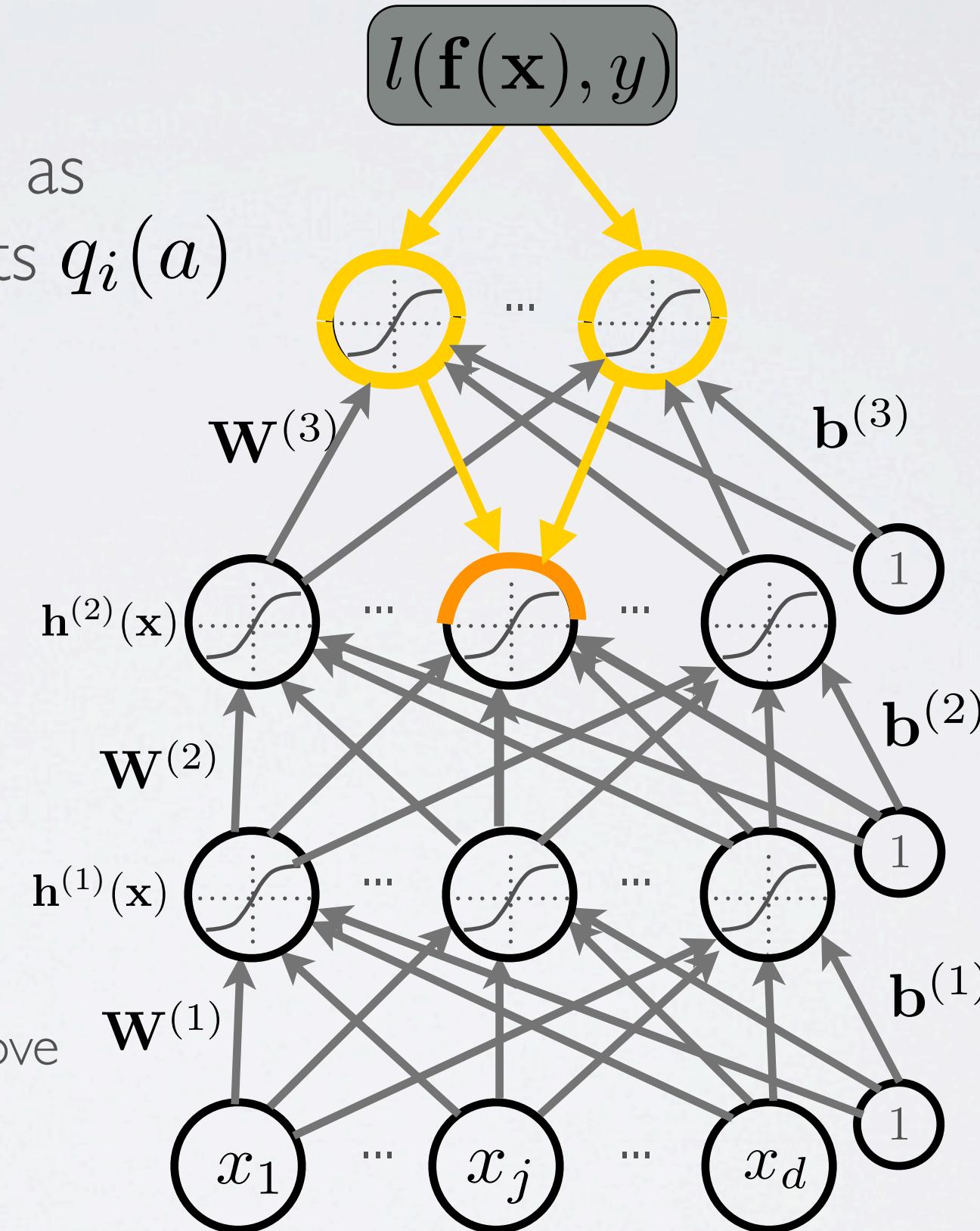
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**Topics:** chain rule

- If a function  $p(a)$  can be written as a function of intermediate results  $q_i(a)$  then we have:

$$\frac{\partial p(a)}{\partial a} = \sum_i \frac{\partial p(a)}{\partial q_i(a)} \frac{\partial q_i(a)}{\partial a}$$

- We can invoke it by setting
  - $a$  to a unit in layer
  - $q_i(a)$  to a pre-activation in the layer above
  - $p(a)$  is the loss function



# GRADIENT COMPUTATION

**Topics:** loss gradient at hidden layers

- Partial derivative:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y$$

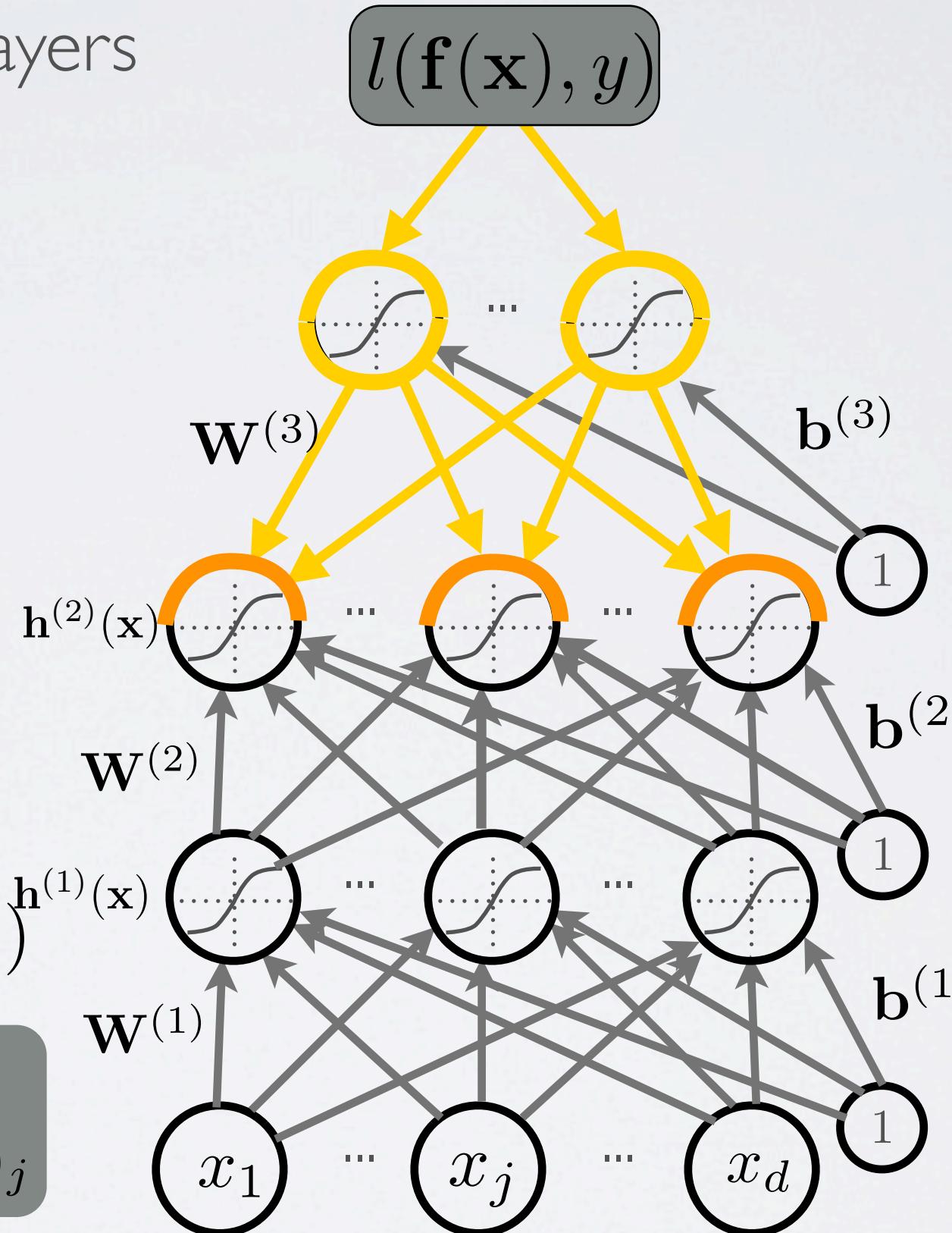
$$= \sum_i \frac{\partial - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y}{\partial a^{(k+1)}(\mathbf{x})_i} \frac{\partial a^{(k+1)}(\mathbf{x})_i}{\partial h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j}$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{\partial - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y}{\partial a^{(k+1)}(\mathbf{x})_i} W_{i,j}^{(k+1)}$$

$$= (\mathbf{W}_{\cdot,j}^{k+1})^\top (\nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{k+1}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y)$$

REMINDER

$$a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_i = b_i^{(k)} + \sum_j W_{i,j}^{(k)} h^{(k-1)}(\mathbf{x})_j$$



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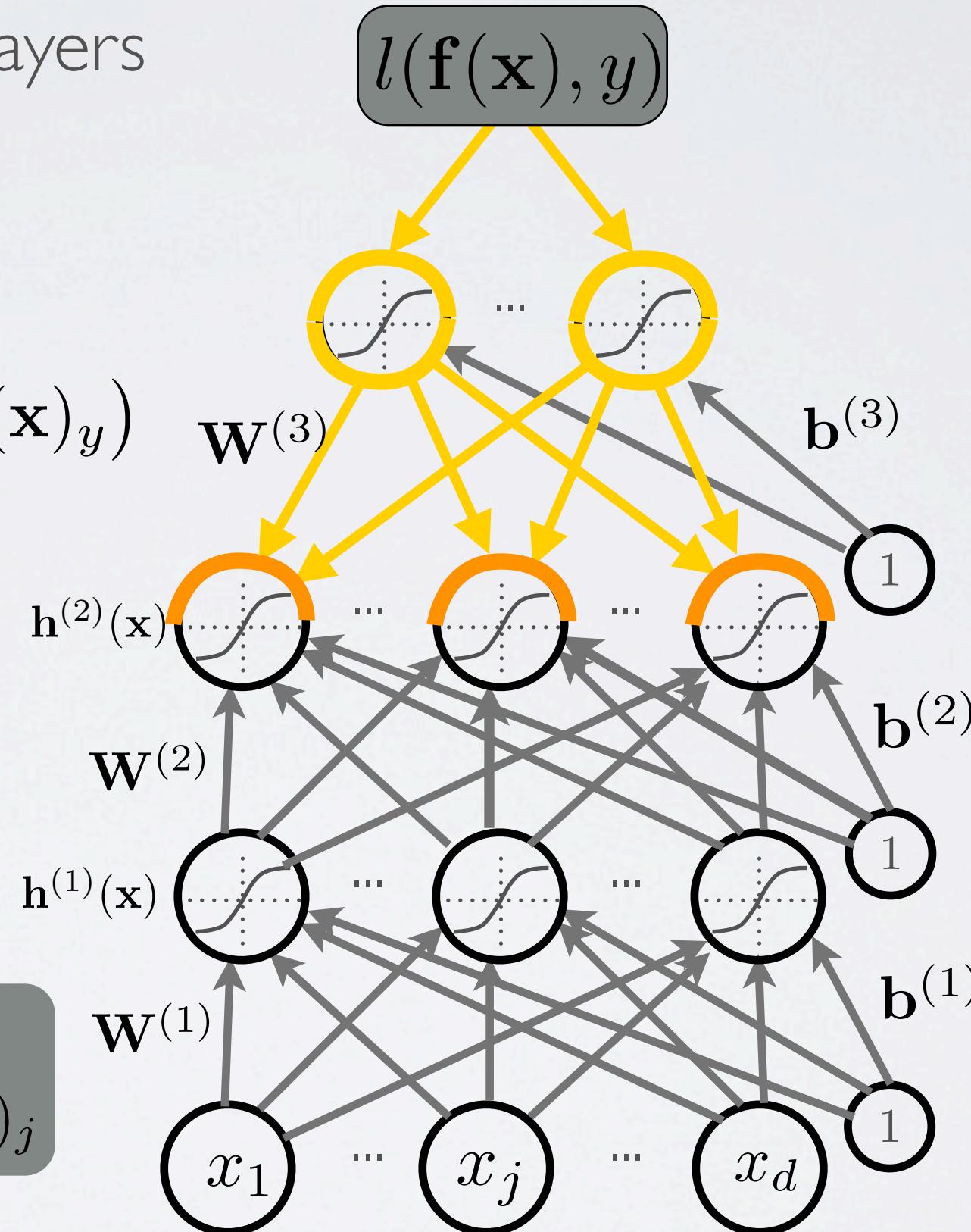
**Topics:** loss gradient at hidden layers

- Gradient:

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y \\ = & \mathbf{W}^{(k+1)^\top} (\nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{(k+1)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y) \end{aligned}$$

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**Topics:** loss gradient at hidden layers  
pre-activation

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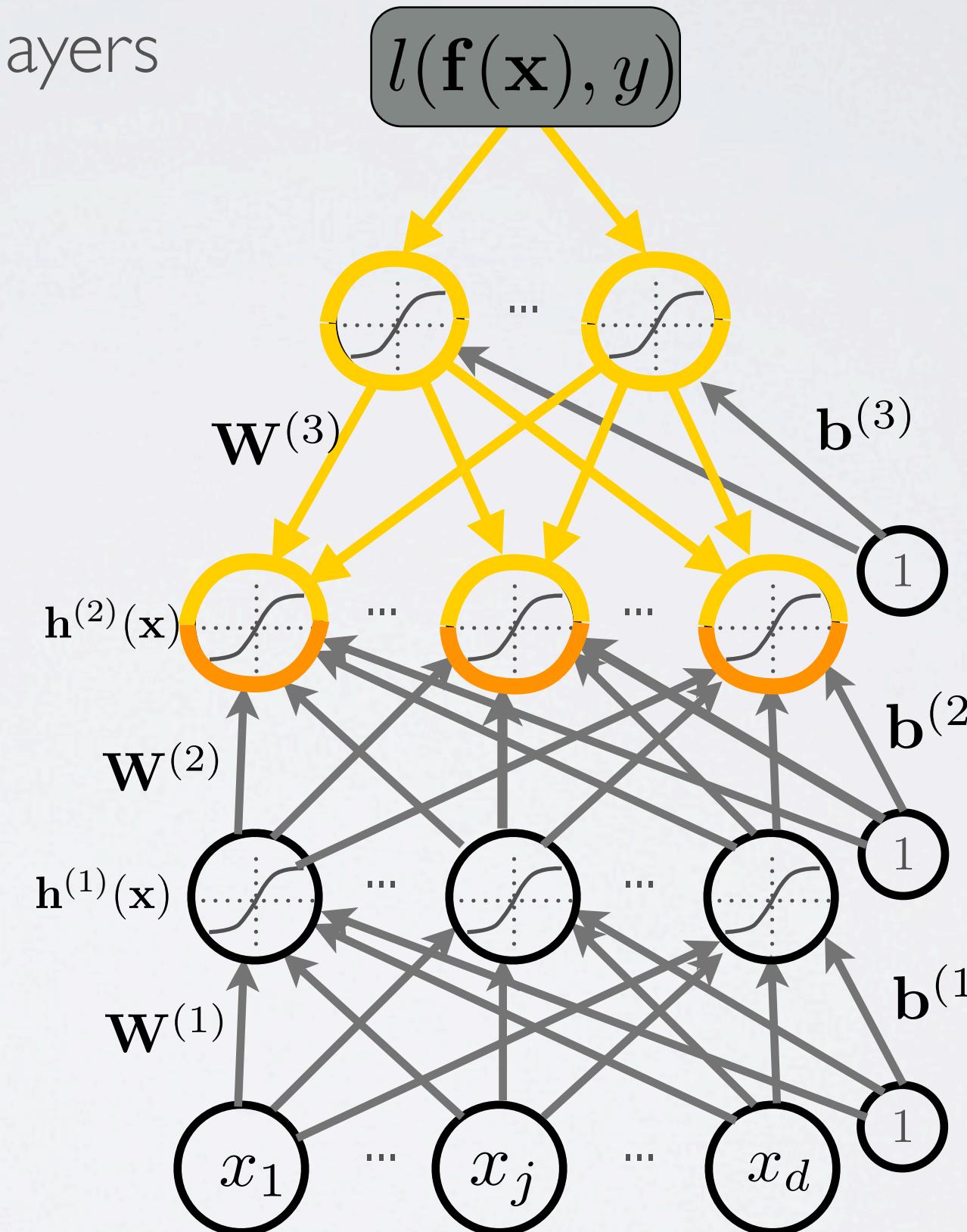
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y$$

$$= \frac{\partial - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y}{\partial h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j} \frac{\partial h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j}{\partial a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j}$$

$$= \frac{\partial - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y}{\partial h^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j} g'(a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j)$$

REMINDER

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



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- Gradient:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y$$

$$= (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{a}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} \mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$= (\nabla_{\mathbf{h}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} - \log f(\mathbf{x})_y) \odot [\dots, g'(a^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})_j), \dots]$$

↑  
element-wise  
product

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