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Lecture: Neural networks

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Artificial neural network: introduction (1)

- Artificial neural network (ANN) (mạng nơron nhân tạo)
 - Simulates the biological neural systems (human brain)
 - ANN is a structure/network made of interconnection of artificial neurons
- Neuron
 - Has input/output
 - Executes a local calculation (local function)
- Output of a neuron is characterized by
 - In/out characteristics
 - Connections between it and other neurons
 - (Possible) other inputs



Artificial neural network: introduction (2)

- ANN can be thought of as a highly decentralized and parallel information processing structure
- ANN has the ability to learn, recall and generalize from the training data
- The ability of an ANN depends on
 - Network architecture
 - Input/output characteristics
 - Learning algorithm
 - Training data

ANN: a huge breakthrough

- AlphaGo of Google the world champion at Go, 3/2016
 - Go is a 2500 year-old game.
 - Go is one of the most complex games
- AlphaGo learns from 30 millions human moves, and plays itself to find new moves
- It beat Lee Sedol (World champion)

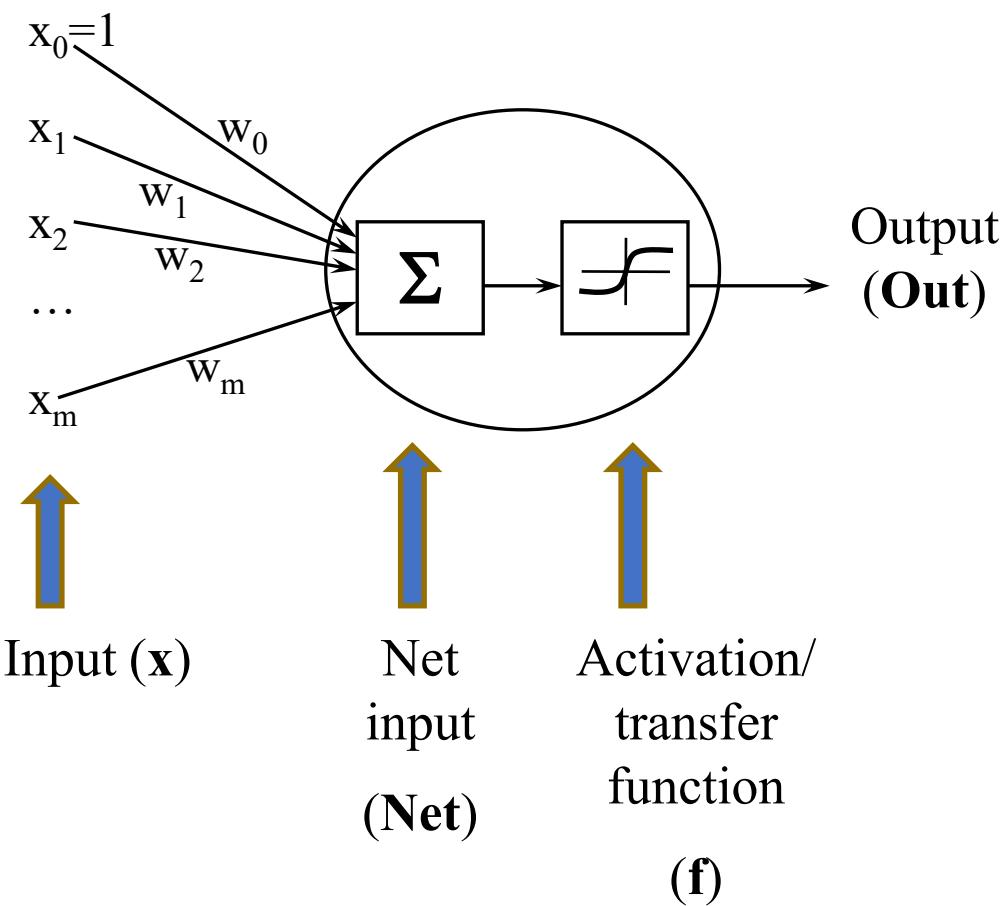
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Structure of a neuron

- Input signals of a neuron
 $\{x_i, i = 1 \dots m\}$
 - Each input signal x_i is associated with a weight w_i
- Bias w_0 (with $x_0 = 1$)
- Net input is a combination of the input signals
 $Net(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x})$
- Activation/transfer function $f(\cdot)$ computes the output of a neuron
- Output
 $Out = f(Net(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}))$



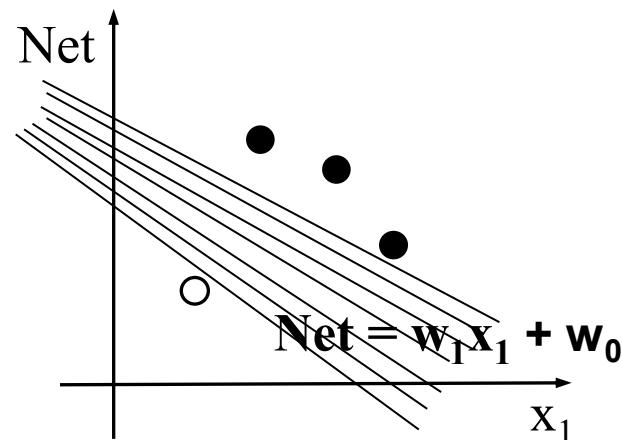
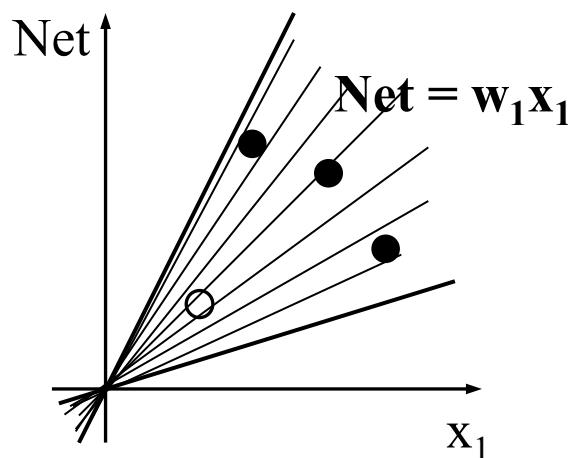
Net Input

- Net input is usually calculated by a function of linear form

$$Net = w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + \dots + w_mx_m = w_0 \cdot 1 + \sum_{i=1}^m w_i x_i = \sum_{i=0}^m w_i x_i$$

- Role of bias:

- $Net = w_1x_1$ may not separate well the classes
- $Net = w_1x_1 + w_0$ is able to do better

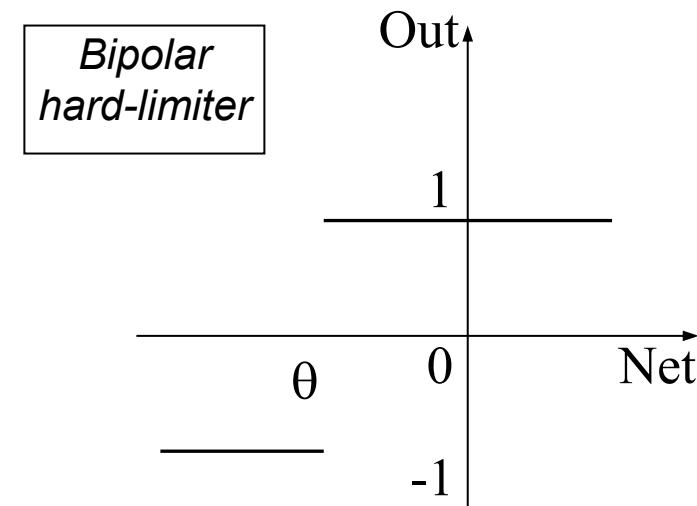
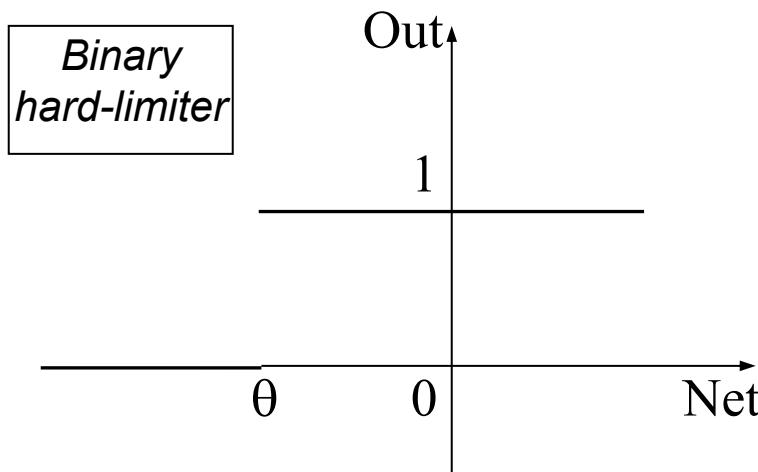


Activation function: hard-limited

- Also known as a threshold function
- The output takes one of the two values
- θ is the threshold value
- **Properties:** discontinuous, non-smoothed (không trơn)

$$Out(Net) = HL(Net, \theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } Net \geq \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

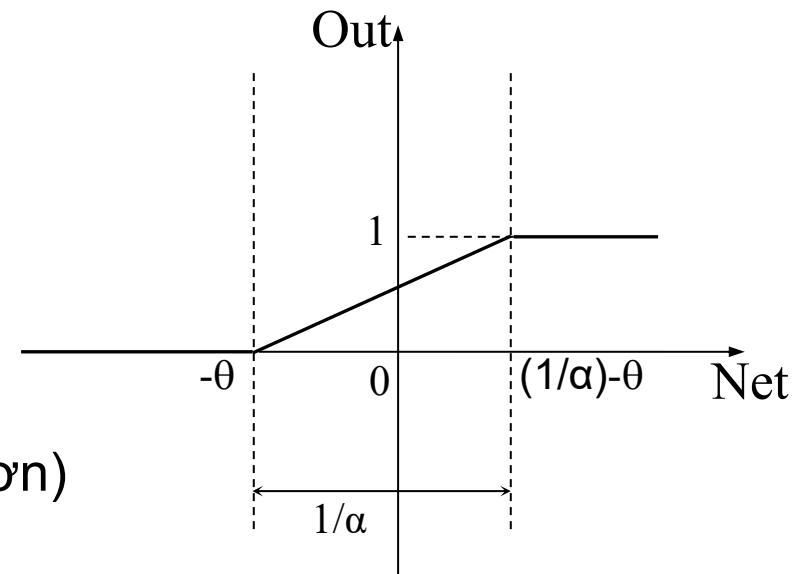
$$Out(Net) = HL2(Net, \theta) = sign(Net, \theta)$$



Activation function: threshold logic

$$Out(Net) = tl(Net, \alpha, \theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } Net < -\theta \\ \alpha(Net + \theta), & \text{if } -\theta \leq Net \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} - \theta \\ 1, & \text{if } Net > \frac{1}{\alpha} - \theta \end{cases} \quad (\alpha > 0)$$
$$= \max(0, \min(1, \alpha(Net + \theta)))$$

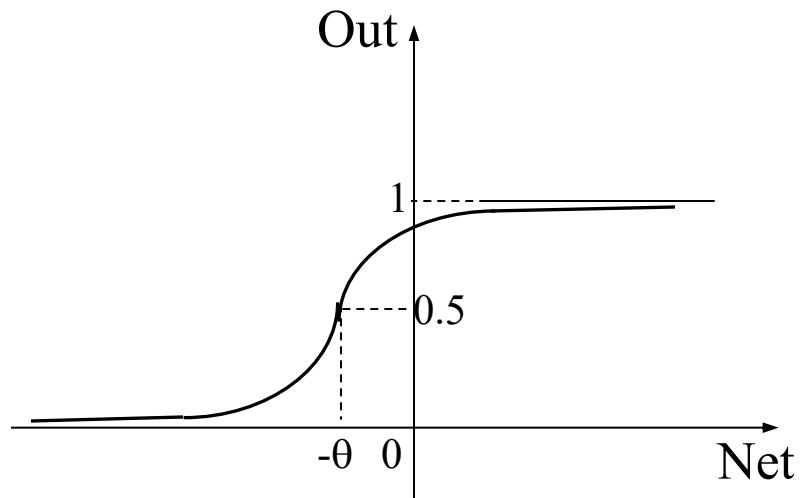
- Also known as a saturating linear function
- Combination of 2 activation functions: linear and tight limits
- α determines the slope of the linear range
- **Properties:** continuous, non-smoothed (liên tục, nhưng không trơn)



Activation function: Sigmoid

$$Out(Net) = sf(Net, \alpha, \theta) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\alpha(Net + \theta)}}$$

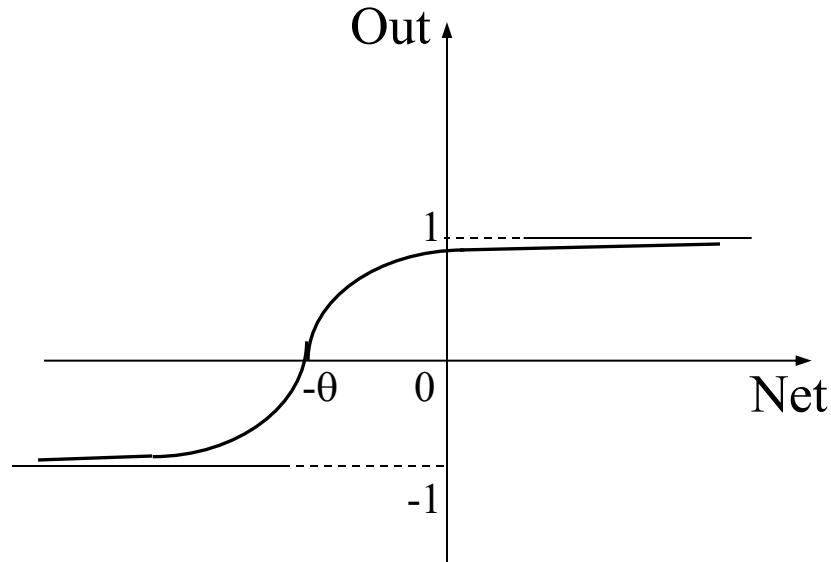
- Popular
- The parameter α determines the slope
- Output in the range of 0 and 1
- **Advantages**
 - Continuous, smoothed
 - Gradient of a sigmoid function is represented by a function of itself



Activation function: Hyperbolic tangent

$$Out(Net) = \tanh(Net, \alpha, \theta) = \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha(Net + \theta)}}{1 + e^{-\alpha(Net + \theta)}} = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-\alpha(Net + \theta)}} - 1$$

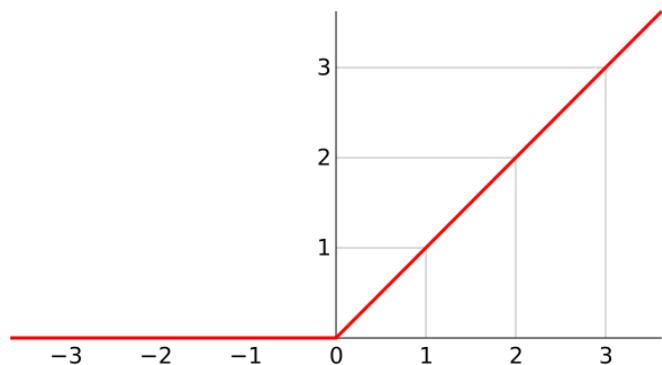
- Popular
- The parameter α determines the slope
- Output in the range of -1 and 1
- Advantages
 - Continuous, continuous derivative
 - Gradient of a tanh function is represented by a function of itself



Act. function: Rectified linear unit (ReLU)

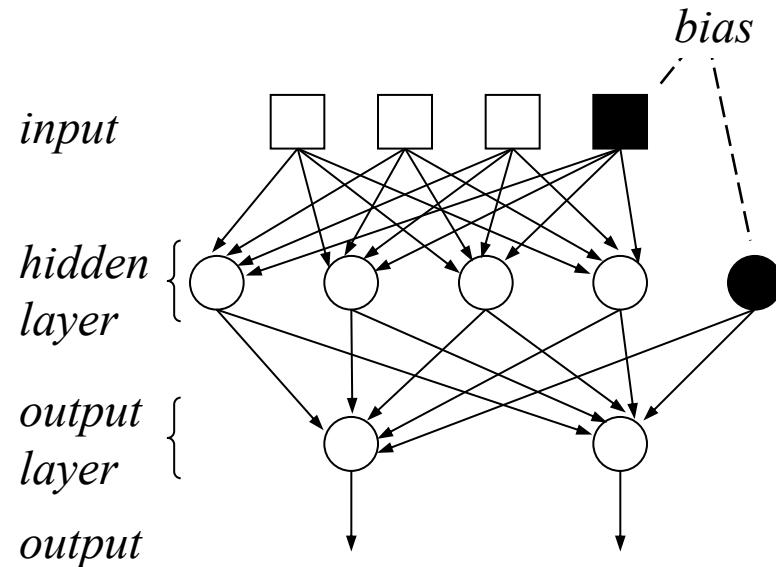
$$Out(net) = \max(0, net)$$

- Most popular
- Output is non-negative
- Advantages
 - Continuous
 - No derivative at point 0
 - Easy to calculate



ANN: Architecture (1)

- ANN's architecture is determined by
 - Number of input and output signals
 - Number of layers
 - Number of neurons in each layer
 - Number of connection for each neuron
 - How neurons (with in a layer, or between layers) are connected
- An ANN must have
 - An input layer
 - An output layer
 - No, single, or multiple hidden layers

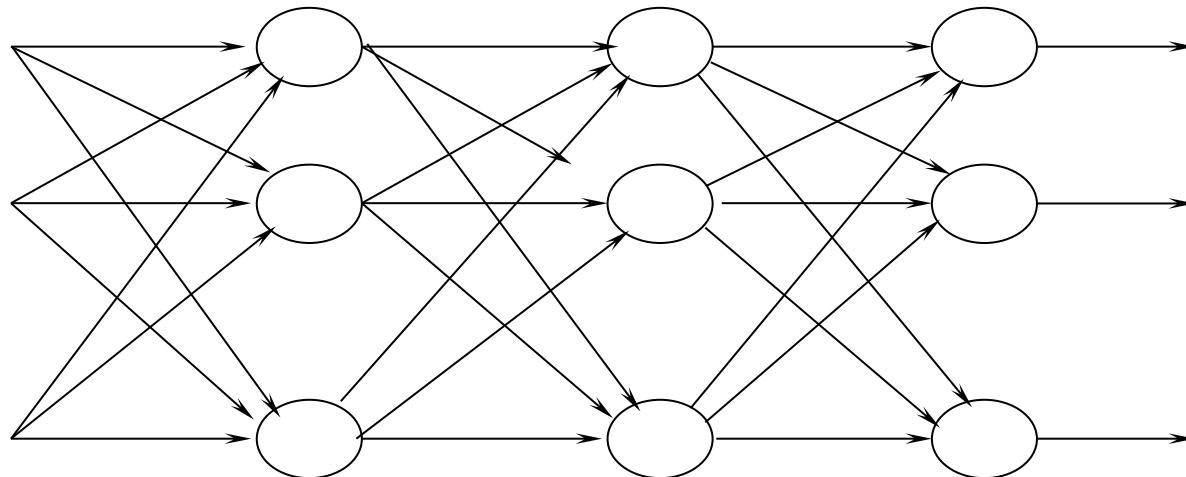


E.g: An ANN with single hidden layer

- Input: 3 signals
- Output: 2 signals
- Total, have 6 neurons
 - 4 neurons at hidden layer
 - 2 neurons at output layer

ANN: Architecture (2)

- A layer (tầng) contains a set of neurons
- Hidden layer (tầng ẩn) is a layer between input layer and output layer
- Hidden nodes do not interact directly with external environment of the neural network
- An ANN is called a **fully connected** if outputs of a layer are connected to all neurons of the next layer

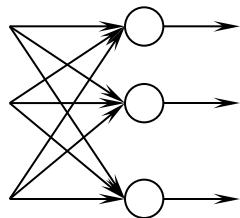


ANN: Architecture (3)

- An ANN is called a **feed-forward network** (mạng lan truyền tiến) if there is not any output of a node being input of another node of the same layer or a previous layer
- When the output of a node is the input of the node the same layer or a previous layer, it is called a **feedback network** (mạng phản hồi)
 - If feedback connects to the input of nodes of the same layer, then it is called a **lateral feedback**.
- Feedback networks with closed loops are called **recurrent networks** (mạng hồi quy)

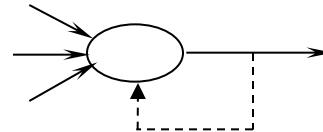
ANN: Architecture (4)

Feed-forward network

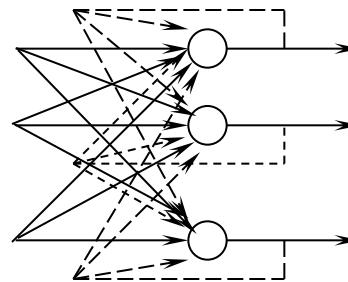


Feed-forward network with multiple layers

A neuron with feedback to itself



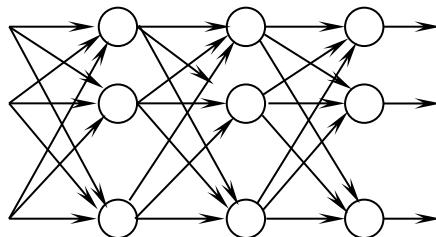
Recurrent network with single layer



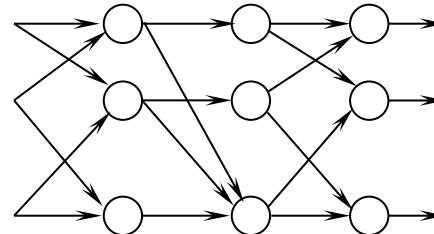
Recurrent network with multiple layers

ANN: Training

- 2 types of learning in ANNs
 - **Parameter learning:** The goal is to adapt the weights of the connections in the ANN, given a fixed network structure
 - **Structure learning:** The goal is to learn the network structure, including the number of neurons and the types of connections between them, and the weights



Or



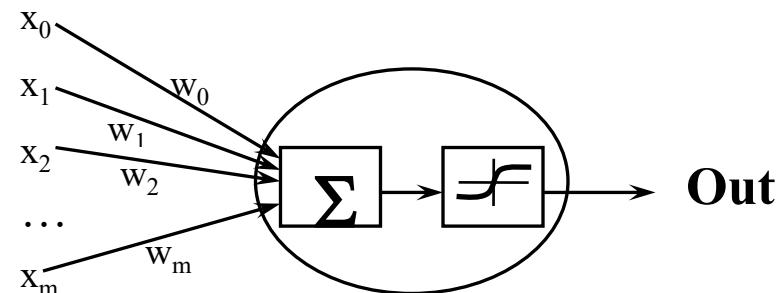
- Those two types can be done simultaneously or separately
- In this lecture, we will only consider parameter learning

ANN: Idea for training

- Training a neural network (when fixing the architecture) is learning the weights \mathbf{w} of the network from training data \mathbf{D}
- Learning can be done by minimizing an empirical error function

$$L(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{D}|} \sum_{x \in \mathbf{D}} \text{loss}(d_x, \text{out}(\mathbf{x}))$$

- Where $\text{out}(\mathbf{x})$ is the output of the network, with the input \mathbf{x} labeled accordingly as d_x ; loss is a function for measuring prediction error
- Many gradient-based methods:
 - Backpropagation
 - Stochastic gradient decent (SGD)
 - Adam
 - AdaGrad



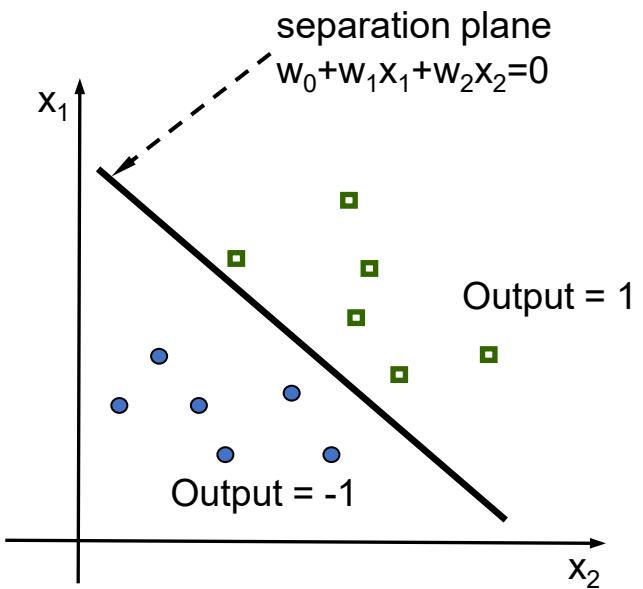
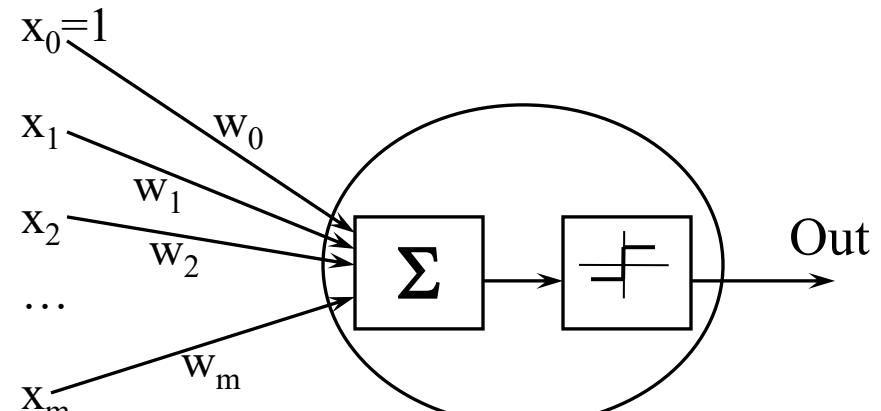
Perceptron

- A perceptron is the simplest type of ANNs (consists of only one neuron).

- Use the hard-limited activation function

$$Out = \text{sign}(Net(w, x)) = \text{sign}\left(\sum_{j=0}^m w_j x_j\right)$$

- For input \mathbf{x} , the output value of perceptron
 - 1 if $Net(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}) > 0$
 - 1 otherwise



Perceptron: Algorithm

- Training data $D = \{(x, d)\}$
 - x is input vector
 - d is output (1 or -1)
- The goal of perceptron learning (training) process determines a weight vector that allows the perceptron to produce the correct output value (-1 or 1) for each data point
- For data point x correctly classified by perceptron, the weight vector w unchanged
- If $d = 1$ but the perceptron produces -1 (Out = -1), then w needs to be changed so that the value of Net (w, x) increases
- If $d = -1$ but the perceptron produces 1 (Out = 1), then w needs to be changed so that the value of Net (w, x) decreases

Perceptron: Algorithm

Perceptron_batch(D, η)

Initialize w ($w_i \leftarrow$ an initial (small) random value)

do

$\Delta w \leftarrow 0$

 for each training instance $(x, d) \in D$

 Compute the real output value Out

 if ($Out \neq d$)

$\Delta w \leftarrow \Delta w + \eta(d - Out)x$

 end for

$w \leftarrow w + \Delta w$

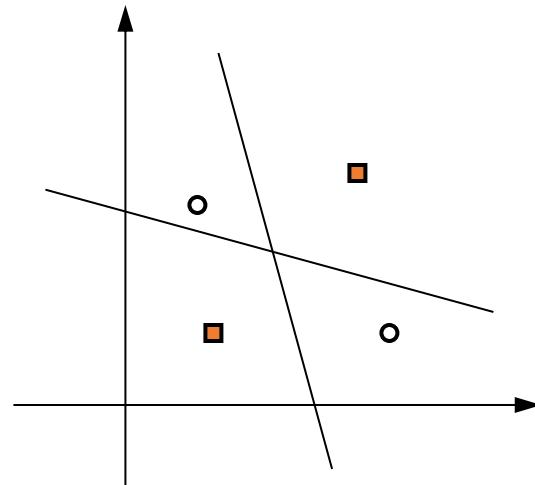
until all the training instances in D are correctly classified

return w

Perceptron: Limitation

- The training algorithm for perceptron is proved to converge if:
 - Data points are linearly separable
 - Use a learning rate η small enough
- The training algorithm for perceptron may not converge if data points are not linearly separable

A perceptron cannot classify correctly for this case!



Loss function

- Consider an ANN that has n output neurons
- For data point (\mathbf{x}, d) , the **training error** value caused by the (current) weight vector \mathbf{w} :

$$E_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i - Out_i)^2$$

- **Training error** for the training data D is

$$E_D(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{|D|} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in D} E_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{w})$$

Minimize errors with gradients

- Gradient of E (denoted by ∇E) is a vector

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_N} \right)$$

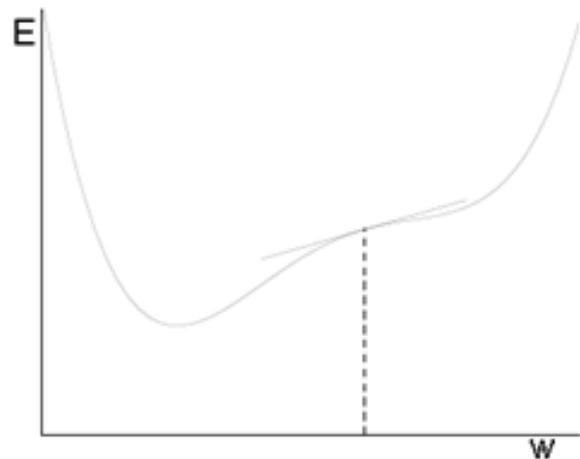
- where N is the total number of weights (connections) in the ANN
- The gradient ∇E determines the direction that causes the **steepest increase** for the error value E
- Therefore, the direction that causes the **steepest decrease** is opposite to the gradient of E

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = -\eta \cdot \nabla E(\mathbf{w}); \quad \Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} \text{ for } i = 1 \dots N$$

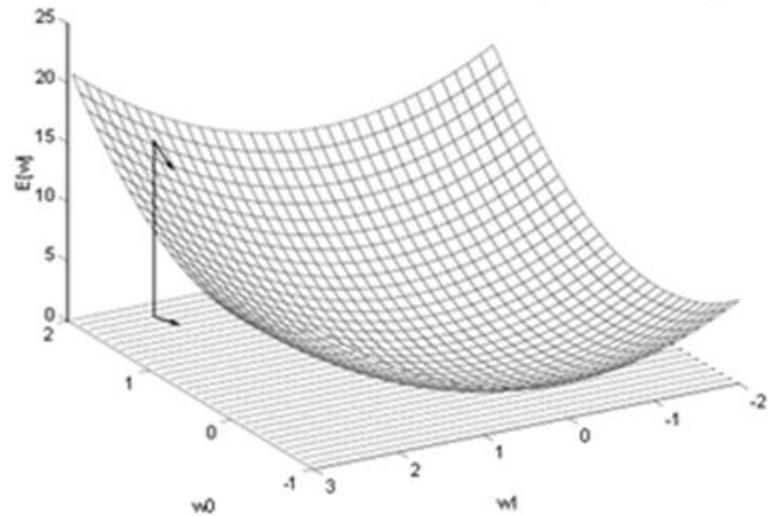
- Requirement: all the activation functions must be smoothed

Gradient descent: Illustration

One-dimensional space
 $E(w)$



2-dimensional space
 $E(w_1, w_2)$



Algorithm

Gradient_descent_incremental (D, η)

Initialize \mathbf{w} ($w_i \leftarrow$ an initial (small) random value)

do

for each training instance $(\mathbf{x}, d) \in D$

 Compute the network output

 for each weight component w_i

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i - \eta (\partial E_{\mathbf{x}} / \partial w_i)$$

 end for

end for

until (stopping criterion satisfied)

return \mathbf{w}

Stopping criterion: epochs, threshold error, ...

If we take a small *subset* (mini-batch) *randomly* from D to update the weights, we will have mini-batch training.

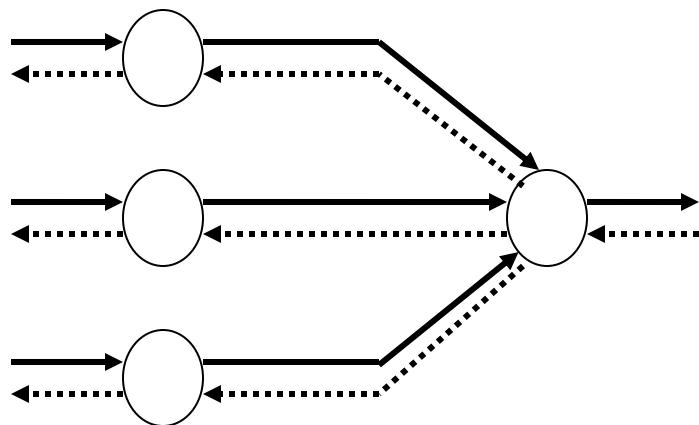
Backpropagation algorithm

- A perceptron can only represent a linear function
- A multi-layer NN learned by the **Backpropagation** (BP) algorithm can represent a highly non-linear function
- The BP algorithm is used to learn the weights of an ANN
 - Fixed network structure (một cấu trúc mạng đã chọn trước)
 - For each neuron, the activation function must be differentiable
- The BP algorithm applies a *gradient descent* strategy to the rules for updating weights
 - To minimize errors between actual output values and desired output values, for training data

Backpropagation algorithm (1)

- Back propagation algorithm seeks a vector of weights that minimizes the net errors on the training data
- The BP algorithm consists of 2 phases:
 - **Forward pass:** The input signals (input vector) are forwarded from the input layer to the output layer (passing through hidden layers).
 - **Error backward:**
 - Based on the desired output value of the input vector, calculate the error value
 - From the output layer, the error value is backward-propagated across the network, from a layer to previous layer, to the input layer.
 - Error back-propagation is executed by calculating (regressively) the local gradient values of each neuron

Backpropagation algorithm (2)



Signal forward phase:

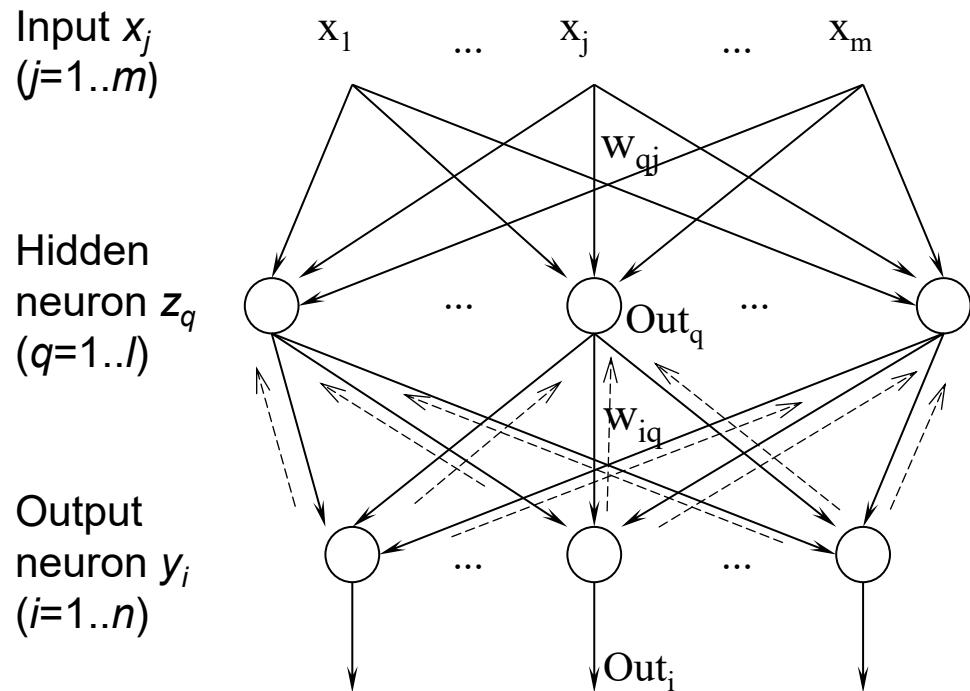
- Forward signals via the network

Error backward phase:

- Calculate the error at the output
- Error back-propagation

Network structure

- Consider the 3-layer neural network (in the figure) to illustrate the BP algorithm
- m input signals x_j ($j = 1..m$)
- l hidden neurons z_q ($q = 1..l$)
- n output neurons y_i ($i = 1..n$)
- w_{qj} is the weight of the connection from the input signal x_j to the hidden neuron z_q
- w_{iq} is the weight of the connection from the hidden neuron z_q to the output y_i
- Out_q is the (local) output value of the hidden neuron z_q
- Out_i is the output value of the network corresponding to the output neuron y_i



BP algorithm: Forward (1)

- For each data point \mathbf{x}
 - Input vector \mathbf{x} is forwarded from the input layer to the output layer
 - The network will generate an actual output value **Out** (a vector with value Out_i , $i = 1..n$)
- For an input vector \mathbf{x} , a neuron z_q at the hidden layer receives the value of net input:

$$Net_q = \sum_{j=1}^m w_{qj} x_j$$

then produces a (local) output value

$$Out_q = f(Net_q) = f\left(\sum_{j=1}^m w_{qj} x_j\right)$$

where $f(\cdot)$ is a activation function of neuron z_q

BP algorithm: Forward (2)

- Net input value of the neuron y_i at the output layer

$$Net_i = \sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} Out_q = \sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} f\left(\sum_{j=1}^m w_{qj} x_j\right)$$

- Neuron y_i produces output value (is an output value of network)

$$Out_i = f(Net_i) = f\left(\sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} Out_q\right) = f\left(\sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} f\left(\sum_{j=1}^m w_{qj} x_j\right)\right)$$

- Vector of the output values Out_i ($i=1..n$) is the actual output value of the network, for the input vector \mathbf{x}

BP algorithm: Backward (1)

- For each data point
 - Error signals due to the difference between the desired output value d and the actual output value **Out** are calculated
 - These error signals are **back-propagated** from the output layer to the front layers, to update weights
- To consider the error signals and their back-propagated ones, an error function needs to be defined

$$\begin{aligned} E(w) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i - Out_i)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n [d_i - f(Net_i)]^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[d_i - f\left(\sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} Out_q\right) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

BP algorithm: Backward (2)

- According to the gradient-descent method, the weights of the connections from the hidden layer to the output layer are updated by

$$\Delta w_{iq} = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{iq}}$$

- Using the derivative chain rule for $\partial E / \partial w_{iq}$, we have

$$\Delta w_{iq} = -\eta \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial Out_i} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Out_i}{\partial Net_i} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Net_i}{\partial w_{iq}} \right] = \eta [d_i - Out_i] [f'(Net_i)] [Out_q] = \eta \delta_i Out_q$$

- δ_i is **error signals** of neuron y_i at output layer

$$\delta_i = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial Net_i} = -\left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial Out_i} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Out_i}{\partial Net_i} \right] = [d_i - Out_i] [f'(Net_i)]$$

where Net_i is the net input of the neuron y_i at the output layer, and $f'(Net_i) = \partial f(Net_i) / \partial Net_i$

BP algorithm: Backward (3)

- To update the weights of the connections from the input layer to the hidden layer, we also apply the gradient-descent method and the derivative chain rule

$$\Delta w_{qj} = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{qj}} = -\eta \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial Out_q} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Out_q}{\partial Net_q} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Net_q}{\partial w_{qj}} \right]$$

- From the formula for calculating the error function $E(\mathbf{w})$, we see that each error component $d_i - y_i$ ($i = 1..n$) is a function of Out_q

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[d_i - f \left(\sum_{q=1}^l w_{iq} Out_q \right) \right]^2$$

BP algorithm: Backward (4)

- Apply the derivation chain rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta w_{qj} &= \eta \sum_{i=1}^n [(d_i - Out_i) f'(Net_i) w_{iq}] f'(Net_q) x_j \\ &= \eta \sum_{i=1}^n [\delta_i w_{iq}] f'(Net_q) x_j = \eta \delta_q x_j\end{aligned}$$

- δ_q is **error signals** of neuron z_q at hidden layer

$$\delta_q = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial Net_q} = -\left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial Out_q} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Out_q}{\partial Net_q} \right] = f'(Net_q) \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i w_{iq}$$

where Net_q is the net input of the neuron z_q at the hidden layer,
and $f'(Net_q) = \partial f(Net_q) / \partial Net_q$

BP algorithm: Backward (5)

- According to the formulas for calculating the error signals δ_i and δ_q , the error signal of a neuron in the hidden layer is different from the error signal of a neuron in the output layer
- Because of this difference, the weight update procedure in BP algorithm is also known as general **delta learning rule**
- Error signals δ_q of neuron z_q at hidden layer determined by:
 - Error signals δ_i of neuron y_i at output layer (to which neuron z_q are connected)
 - The weights w_{iq}

$$\delta_q = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial Net_q} = -\left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial Out_q} \right] \left[\frac{\partial Out_q}{\partial Net_q} \right] = f'(Net_q) \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i w_{iq}$$

BP algorithm: Backward (6)

- The process of calculating the error signals as above can be extended (generalized) easily for neural networks with more than 1 hidden layer
- The general form of the weighting update rule in BP algorithm

$$\Delta w_{ab} = \eta \delta_a x_b$$

- b and a are 2 indices corresponding to the two ends of the connection ($b \rightarrow a$) (from a neuron (or input signal) b to neuron a)
- x_b is the output value of the neuron at the hidden layer (or input signal) b
- δ_a is error signal of neuron a

BP algorithm

Back_propagation_incremental(D, n)

Neural network consists of Q layer, $q = 1, 2, \dots, Q$

qNet_i and qOut_i are net input and output value of neuron i at the layer q

Network has m input signals and n output neuron

${}^qW_{ij}$ is the weight of the connection from neuron j at the layer $(q-1)$ to the neuron i at the layer q

Step 0 (Initialization)

Select the error threshold $E_{threshold}$ (the error value is acceptable)

Initialize the initial value of the weights with random small values

Assign $E=0$

Step 1 (Start a training cycle)

Apply the input vector of the data point k to the input layer ($q=1$)

$${}^qOut_i = {}^1Out_i = x_i^{(k)}, \forall i$$

Step 2 (Forward)

Forward the input signals over the network, until the network output values (at the output layer) are received QOut_i

$${}^qOut_i = f({}^qNet_i) = f\left(\sum_j {}^qW_{ij} {}^{q-1}Out_j\right)$$

BP algorithm

Step 3 (Calculate the output error)

Calculate network output error and error signal ${}^Q\delta_i$ of each neuron at output layer

$$E = E + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i^{(k)} - {}^QOut_i)^2$$

$${}^Q\delta_i = (d_i^{(k)} - {}^QOut_i) f'({}^QNet_i)$$

Step 4 (Error backward)

Backpropagation the error to update the weights and calculate the error signals ${}^{q-1}\delta_i$ for the front layers

$$\Delta {}^qW_{ij} = \eta \cdot ({}^q\delta_i) \cdot ({}^{q-1}Out_j); \quad {}^qW_{ij} = {}^qW_{ij} + \Delta {}^qW_{ij}$$

$${}^{q-1}\delta_i = f'({}^{q-1}Net_i) \sum_j {}^q w_{ji} {}^q\delta_j; \quad \text{for all } q = Q, Q-1, \dots, 2$$

Step 5 (Check stopping criterion satisfied)

Check if the entire training data has been used yet

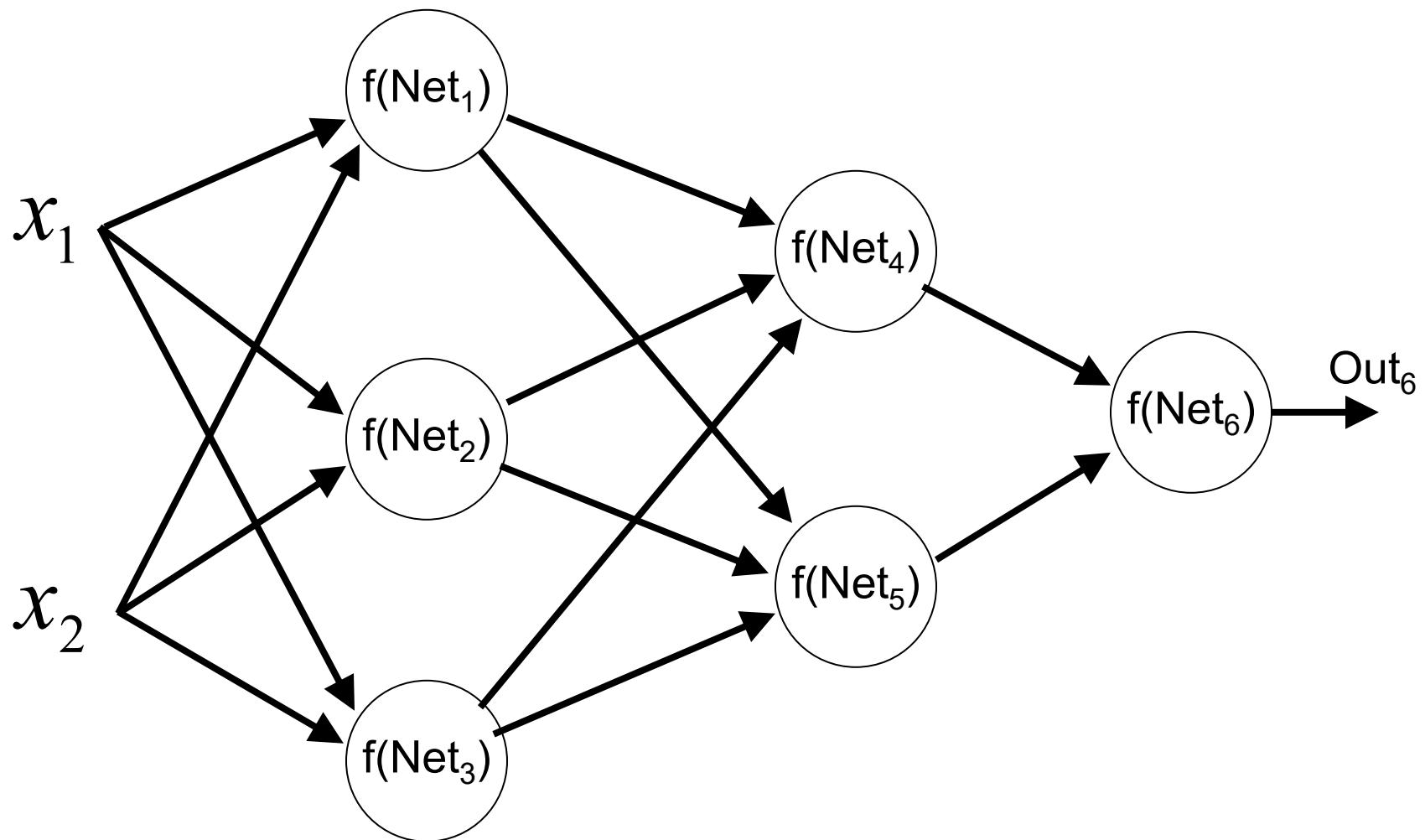
If the entire training data has used, go to Step 6, otherwise go to Step 1

Step 6 (Check net error)

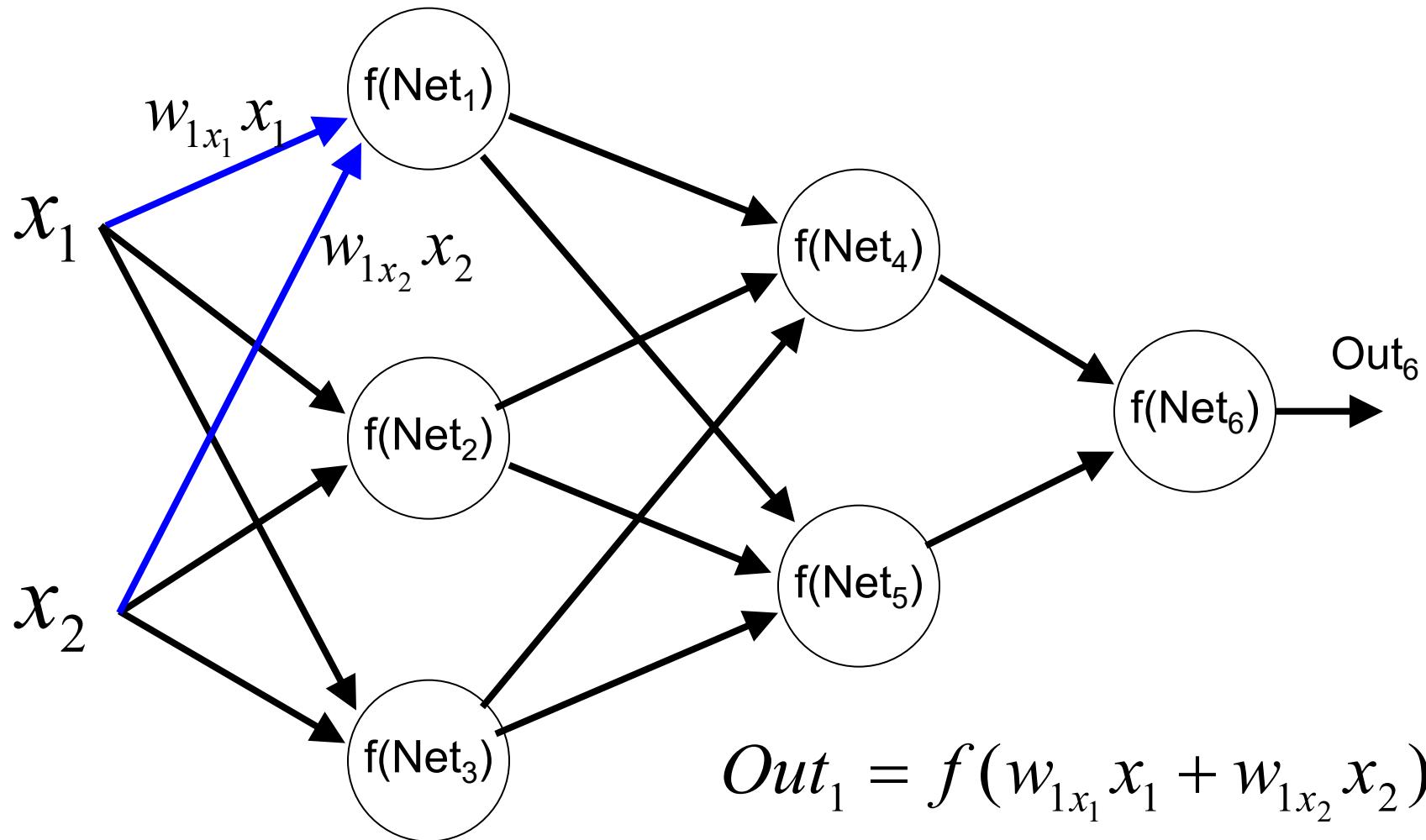
If net error E is less than the acceptable threshold ($< E_{threshold}$), then training is completed and returns the learned weights;

~~otherwise, assign E=0, and start new training cycle (go back to Step 1)~~

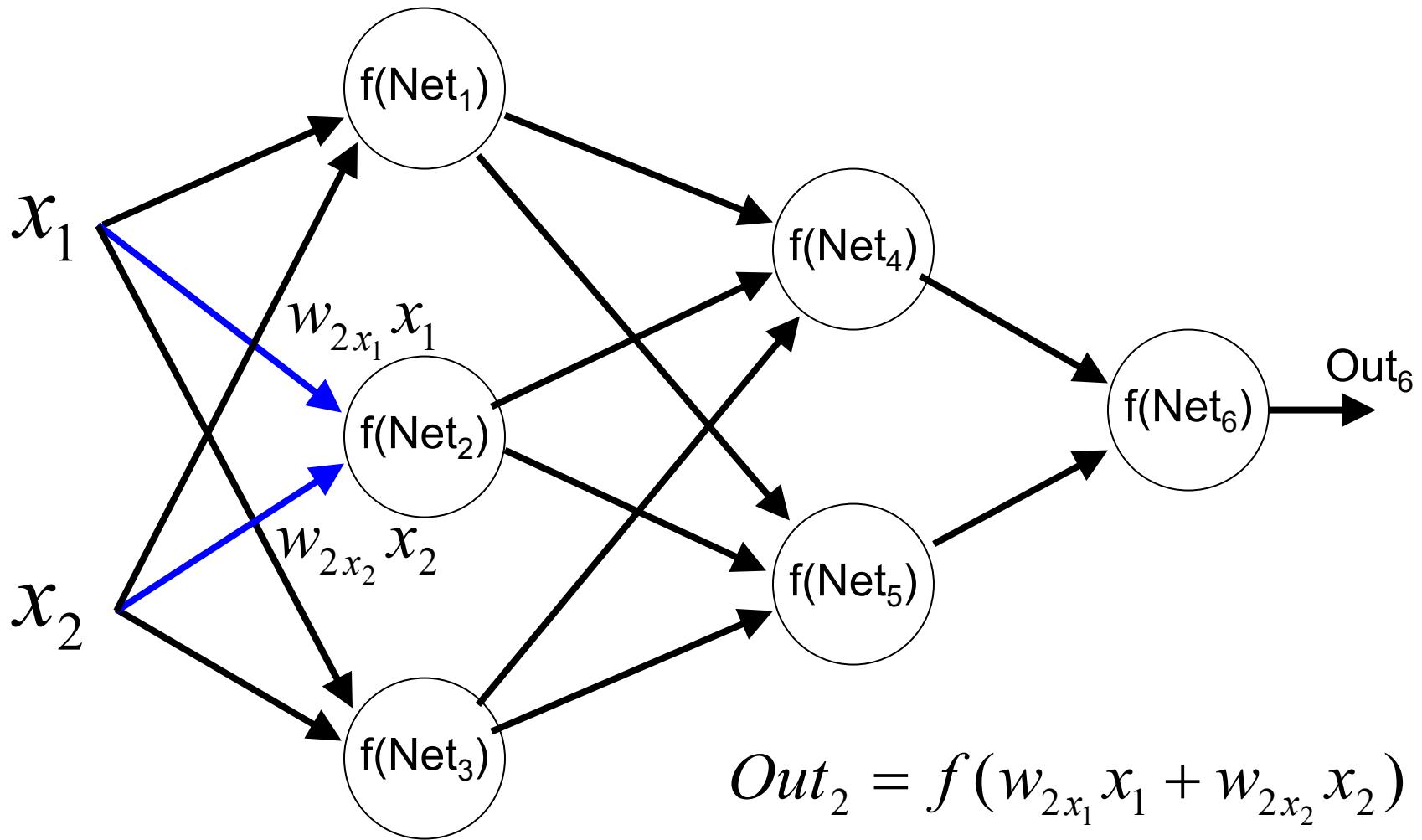
BP algorithm: Forward (1)



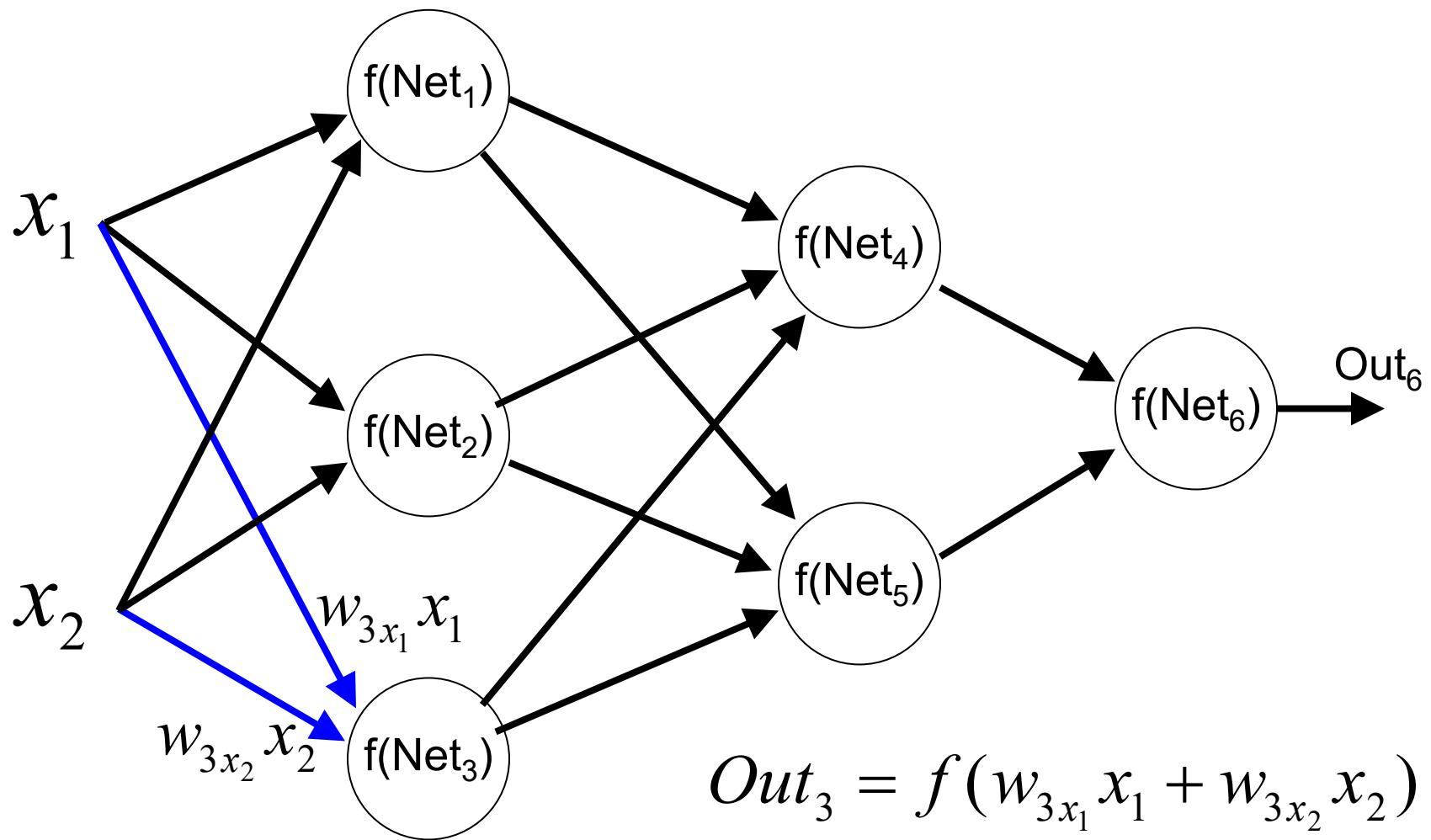
BP algorithm: Forward (2)



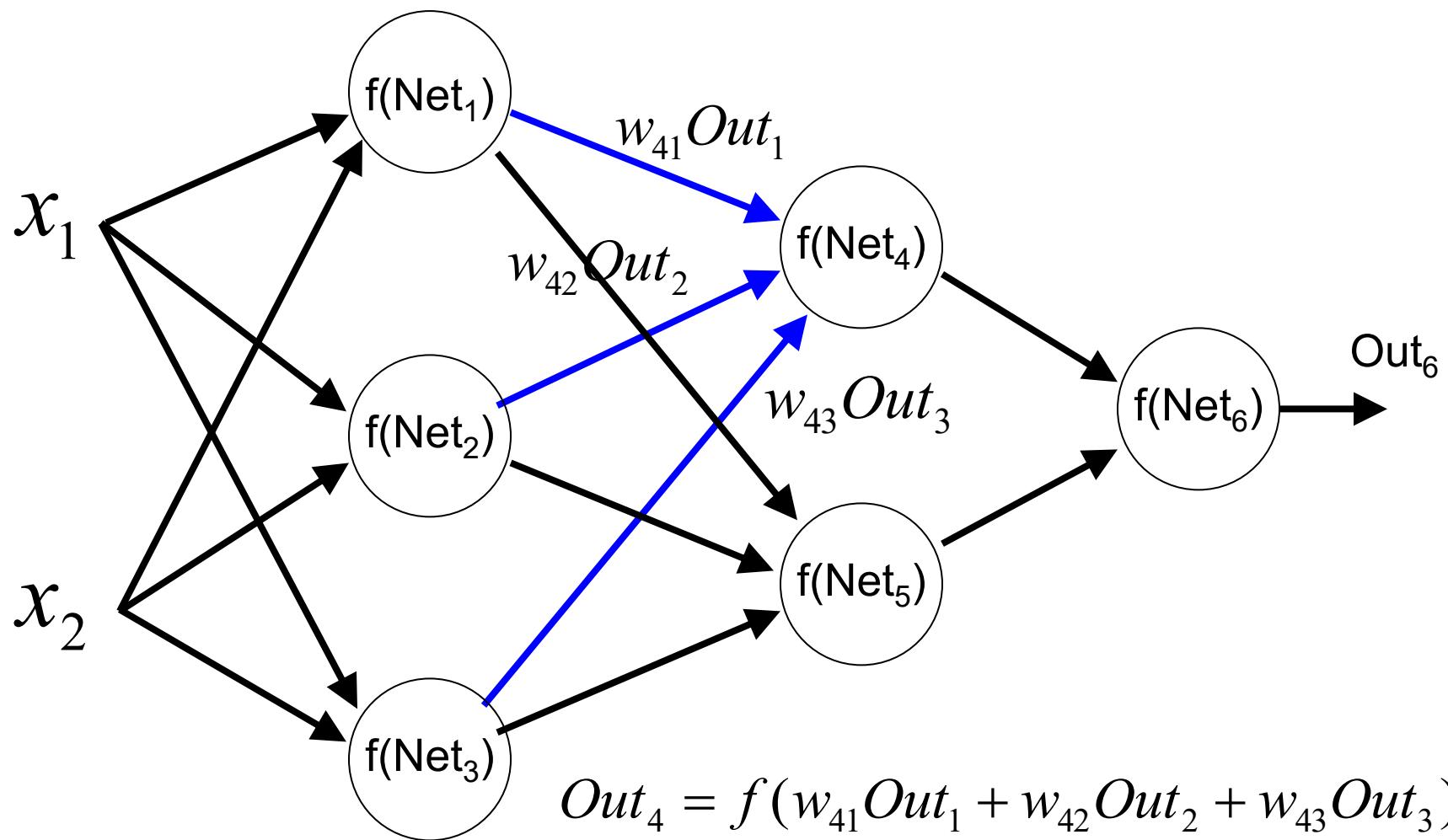
BP algorithm: Forward (3)



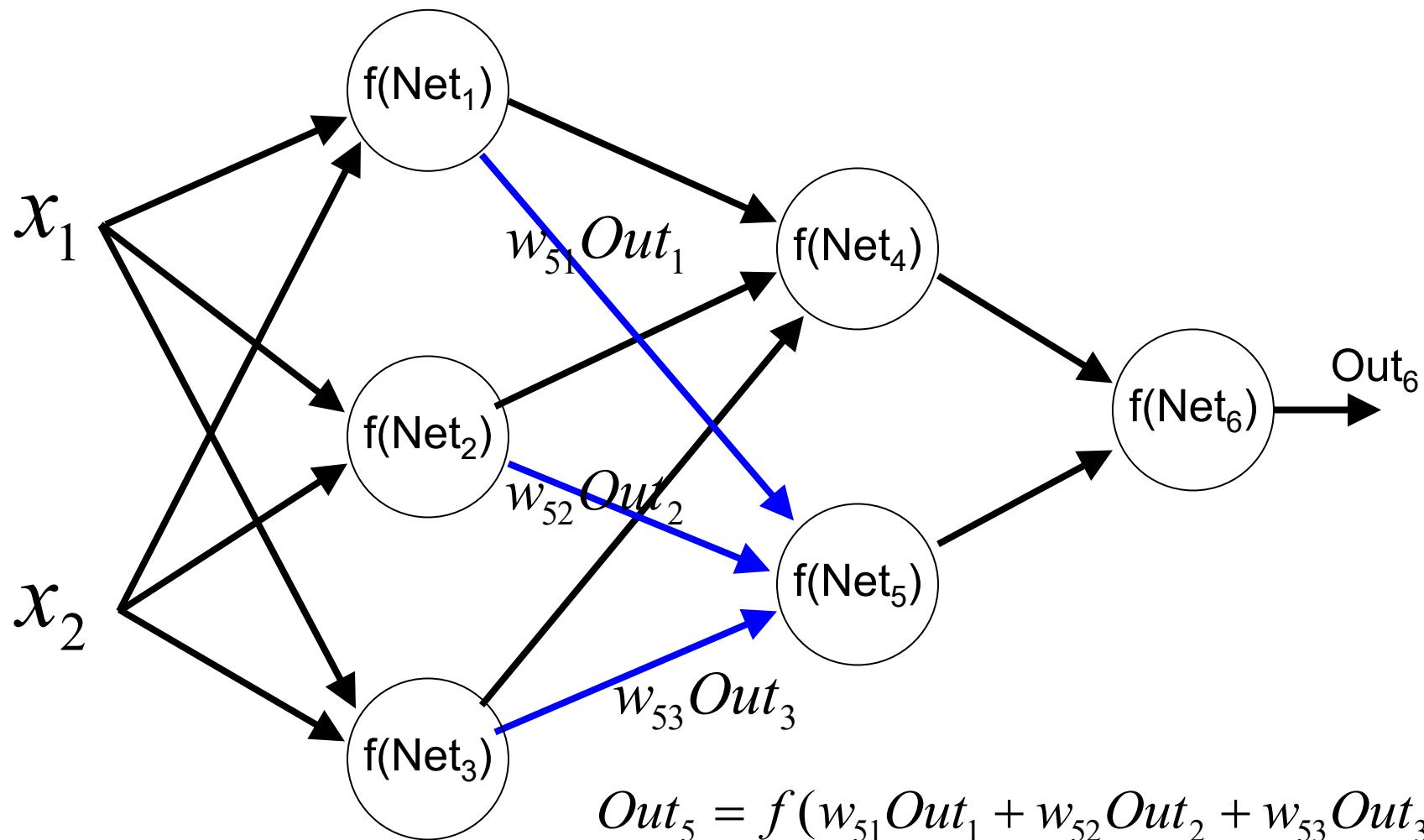
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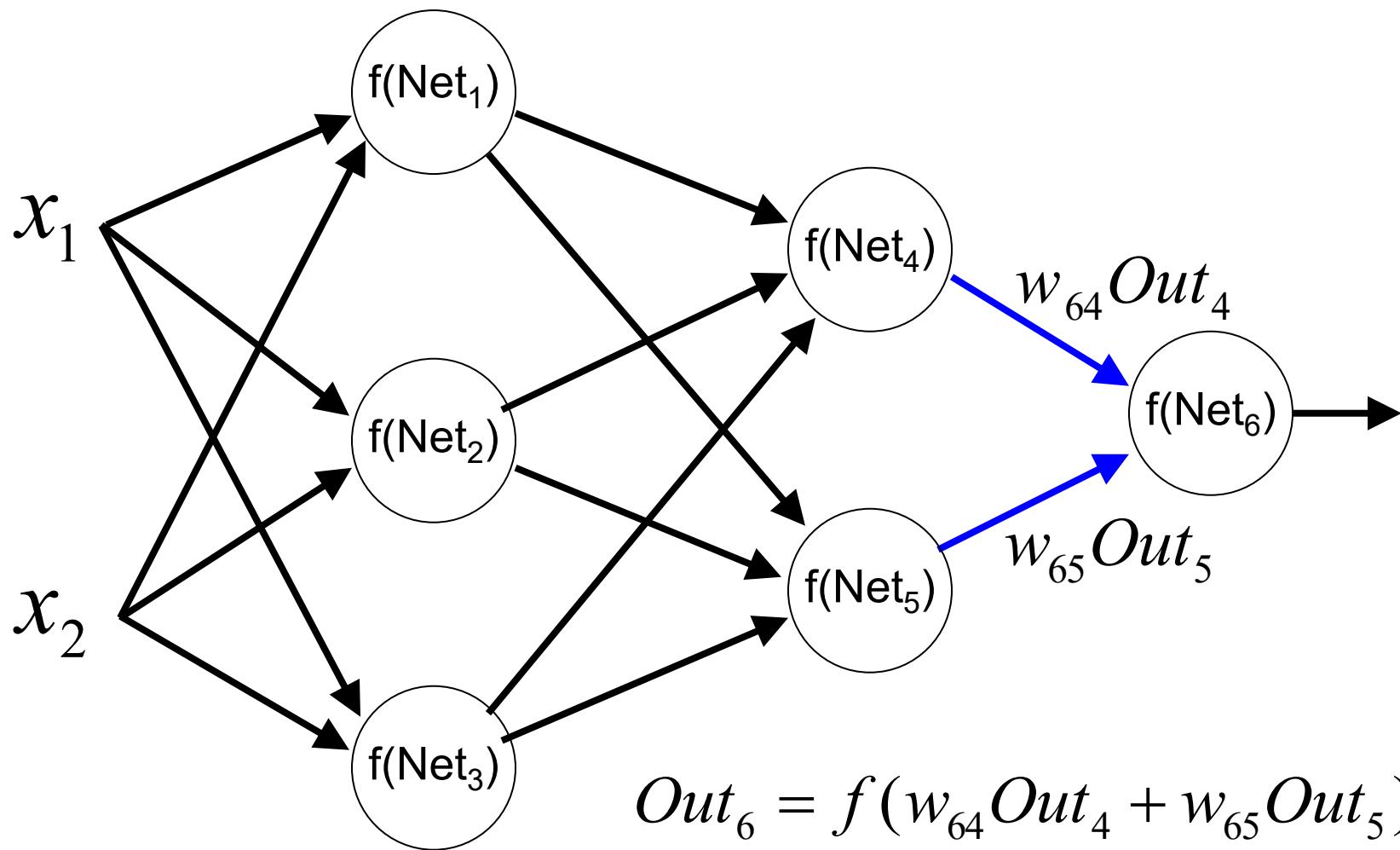
BP algorithm: Forward (5)



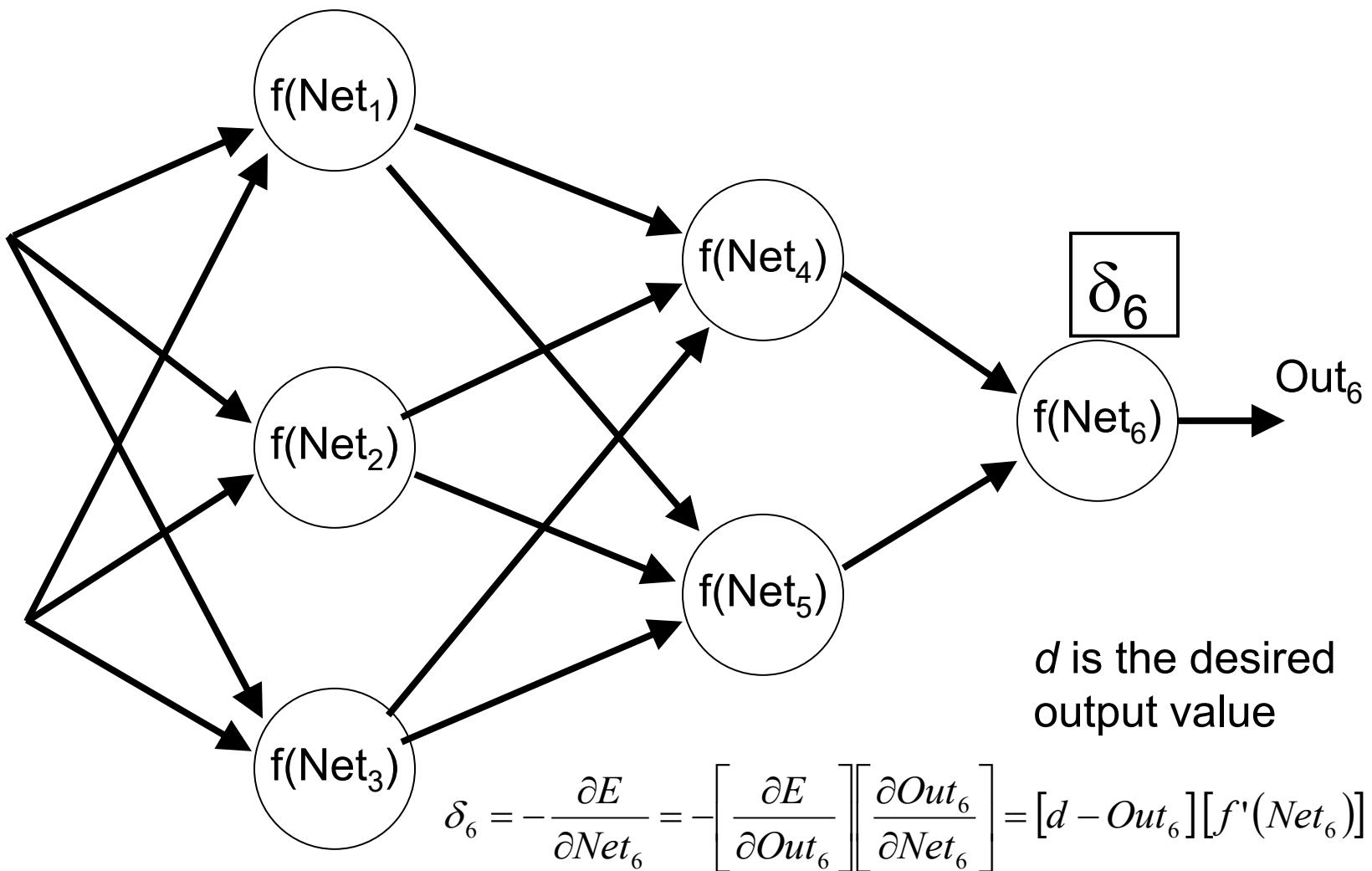
BP algorithm: Forward (6)



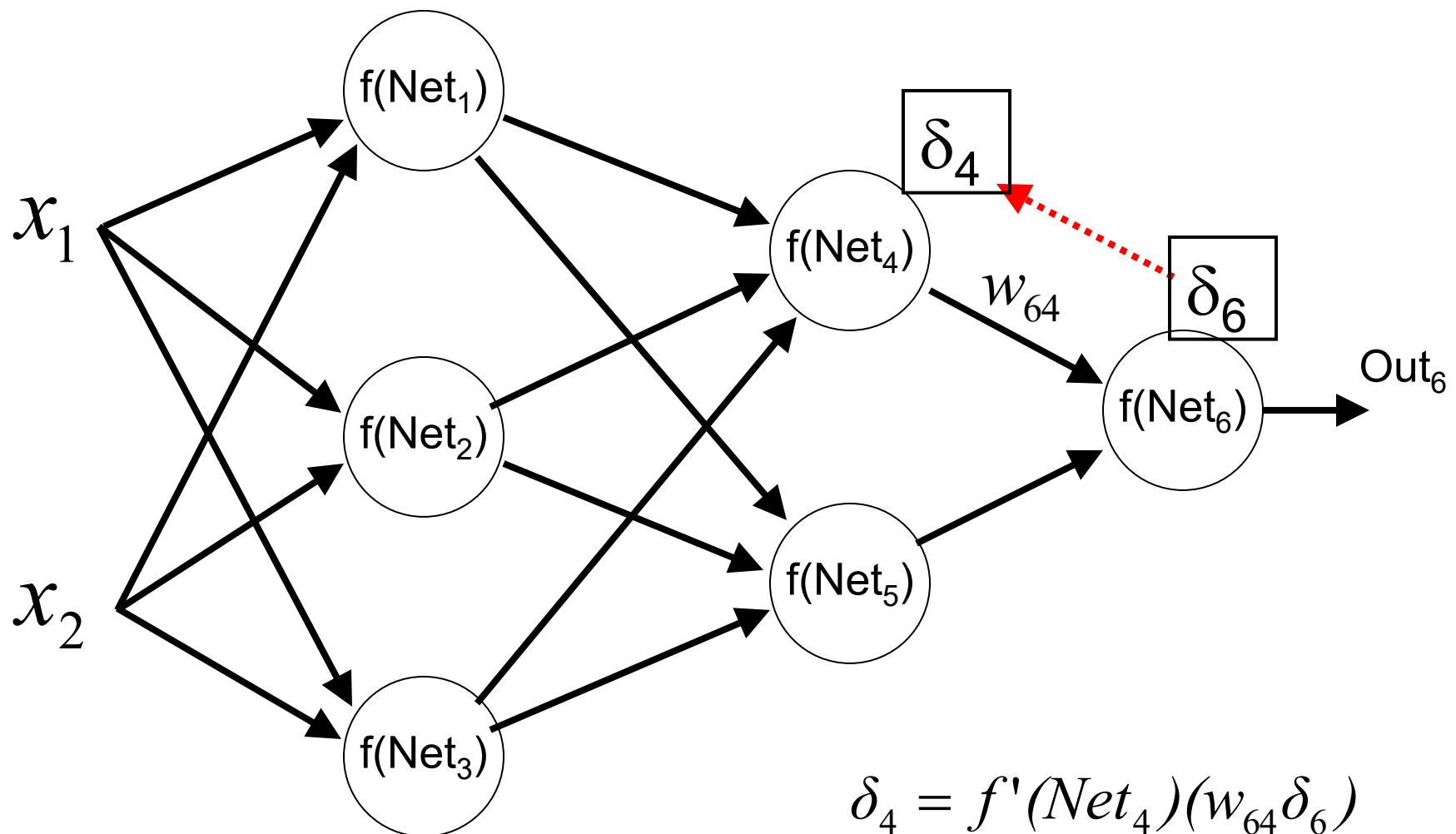
BP algorithm: Forward (7)



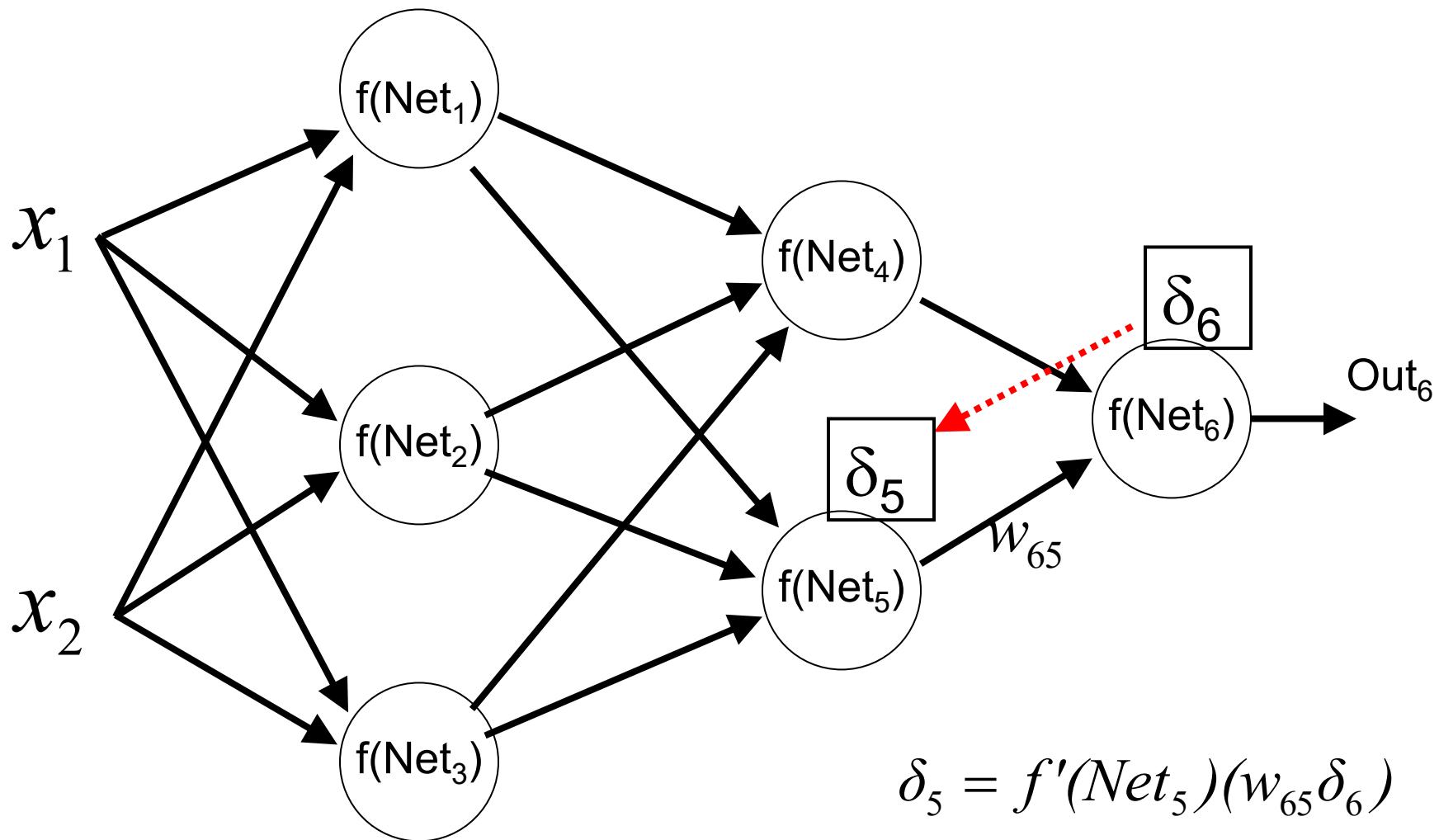
BP algorithm: Calculate error



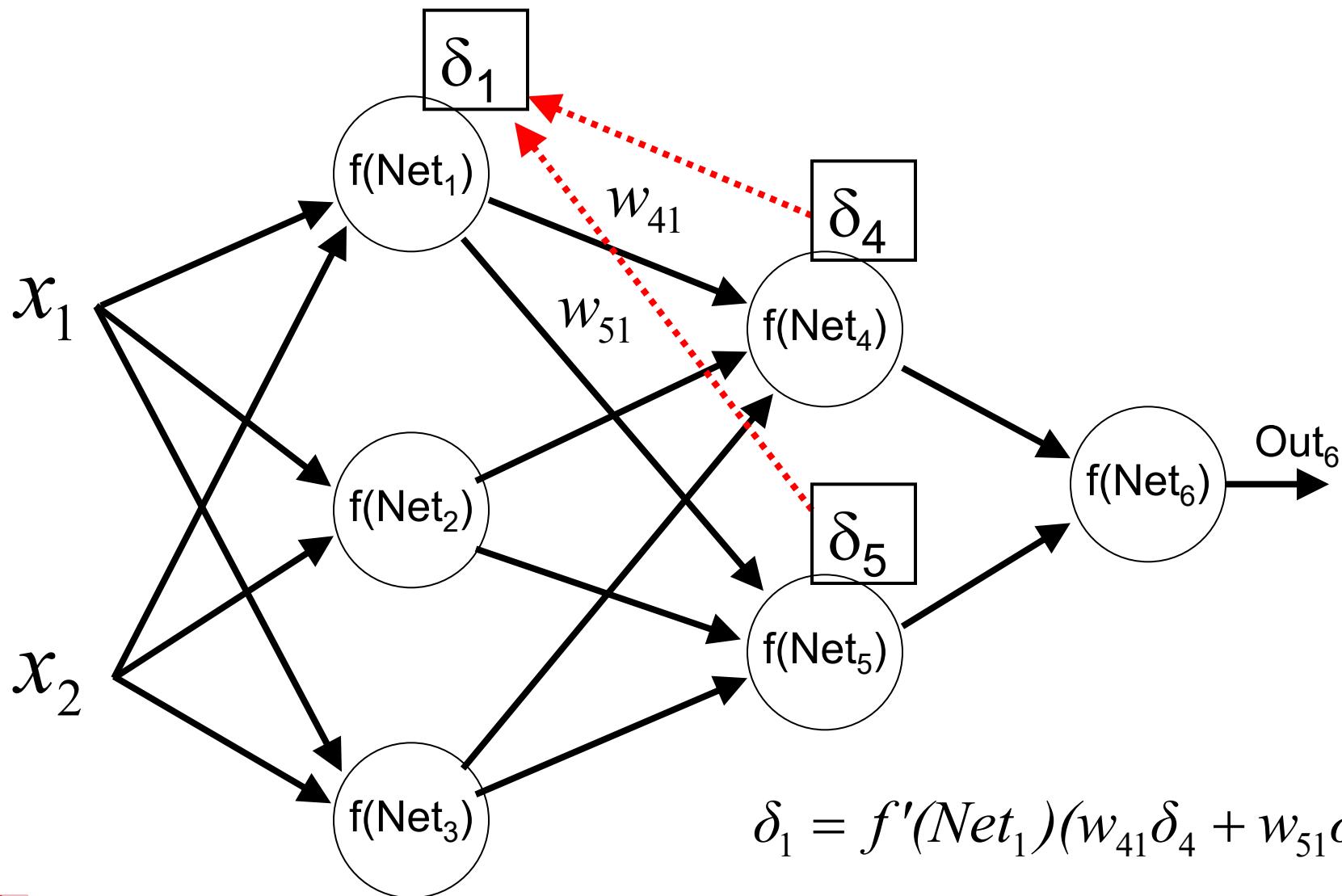
BP algorithm: Backward(1)



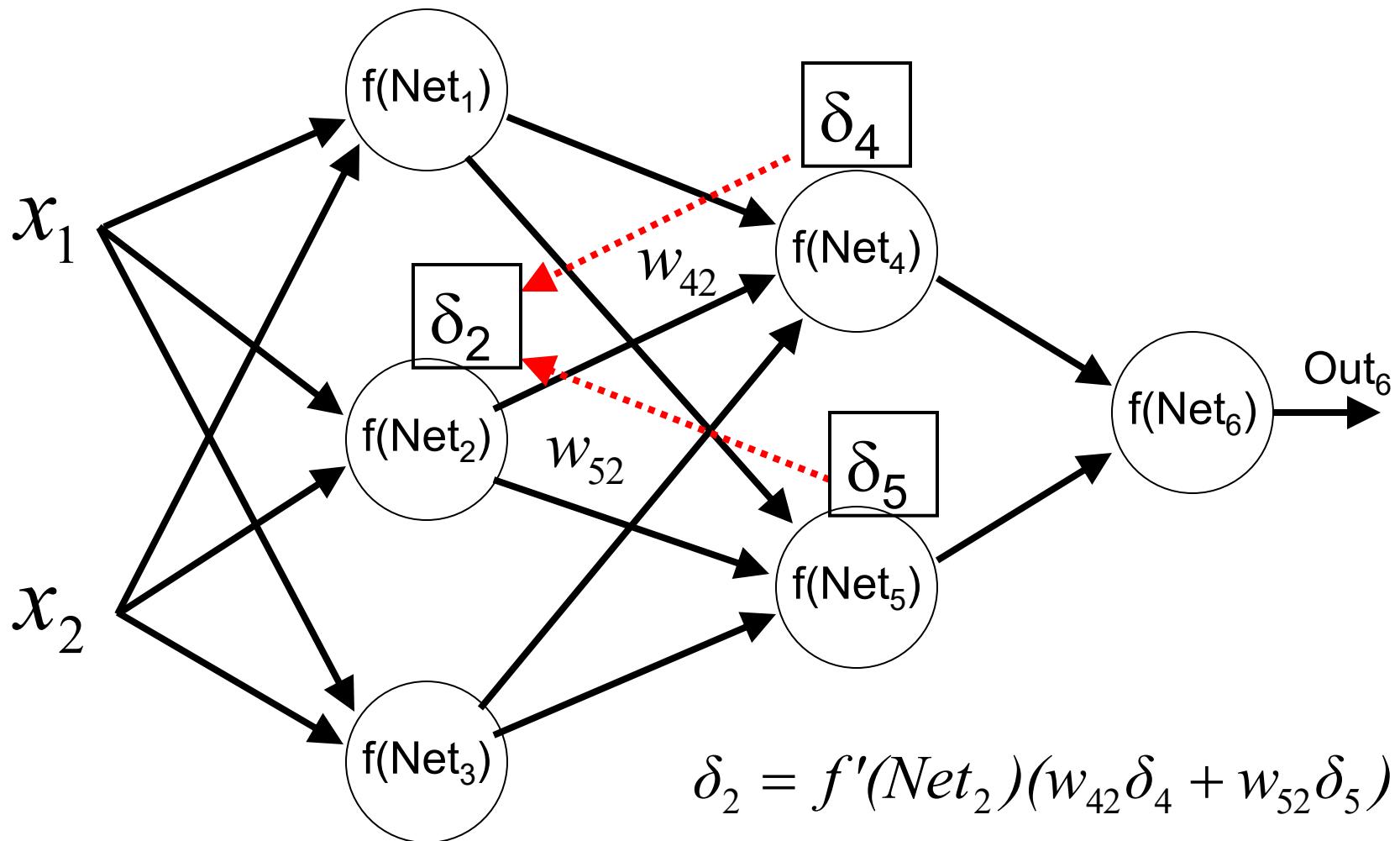
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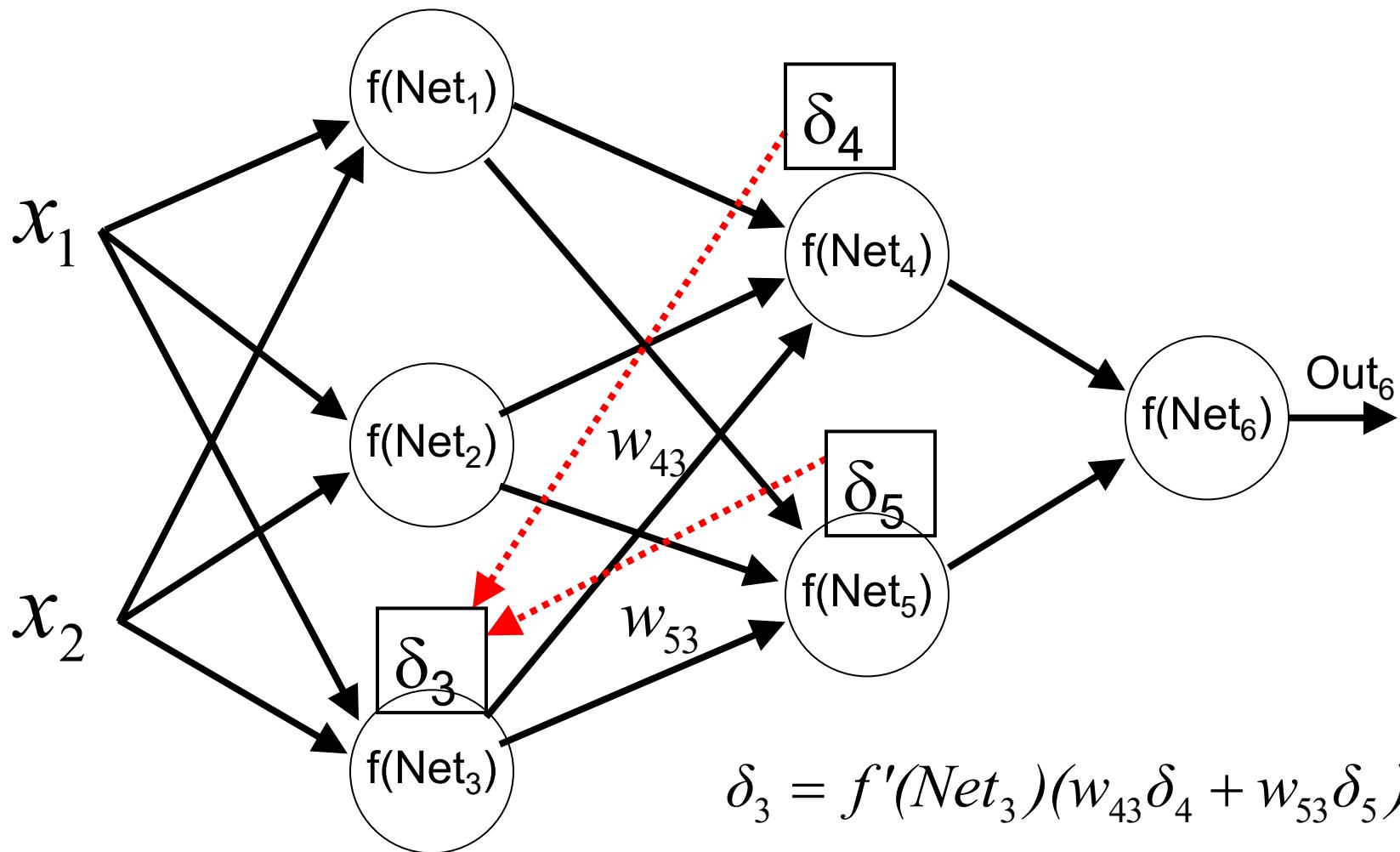
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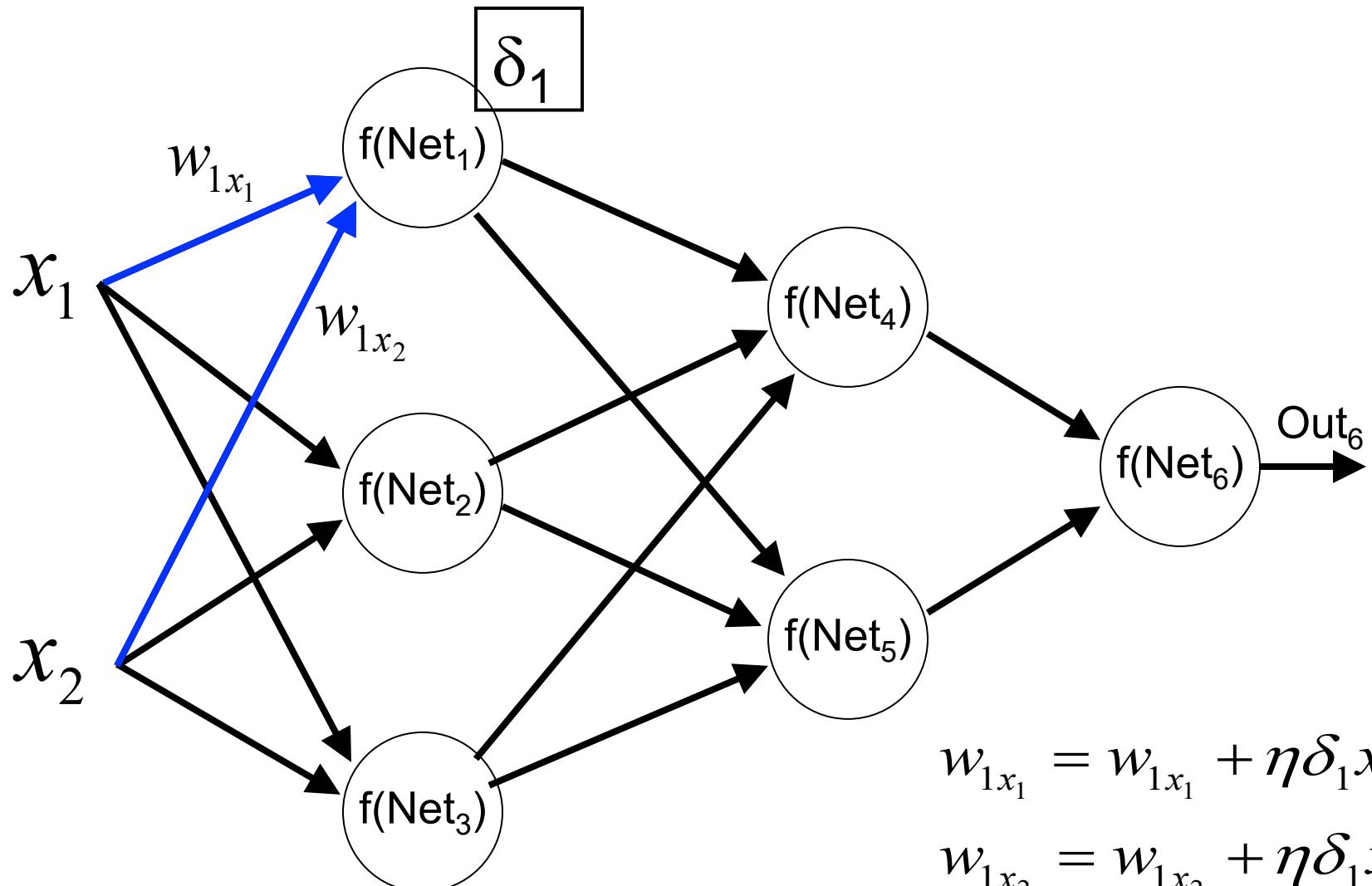
BP algorithm: Backward(4)



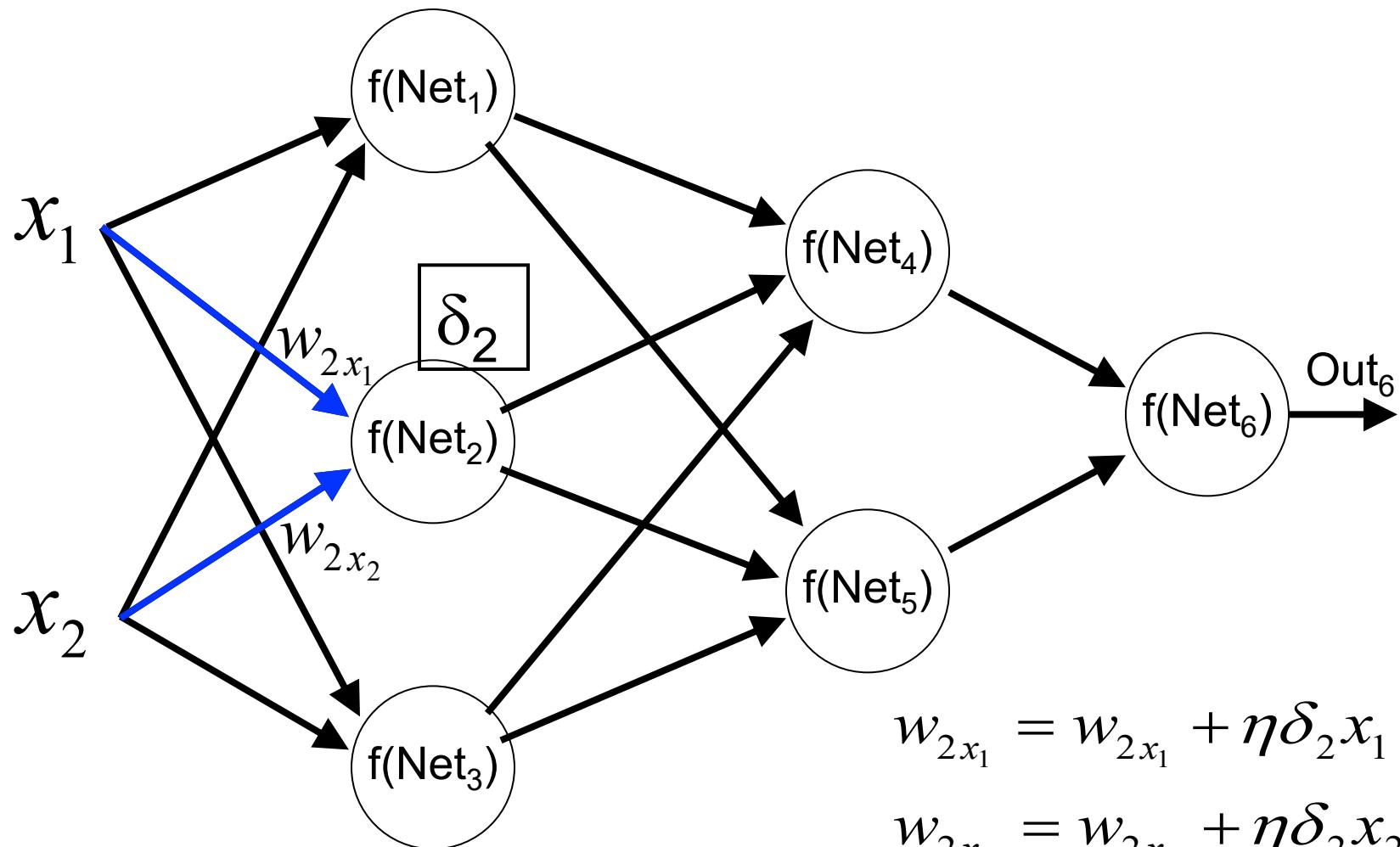
BP algorithm: Backward(5)



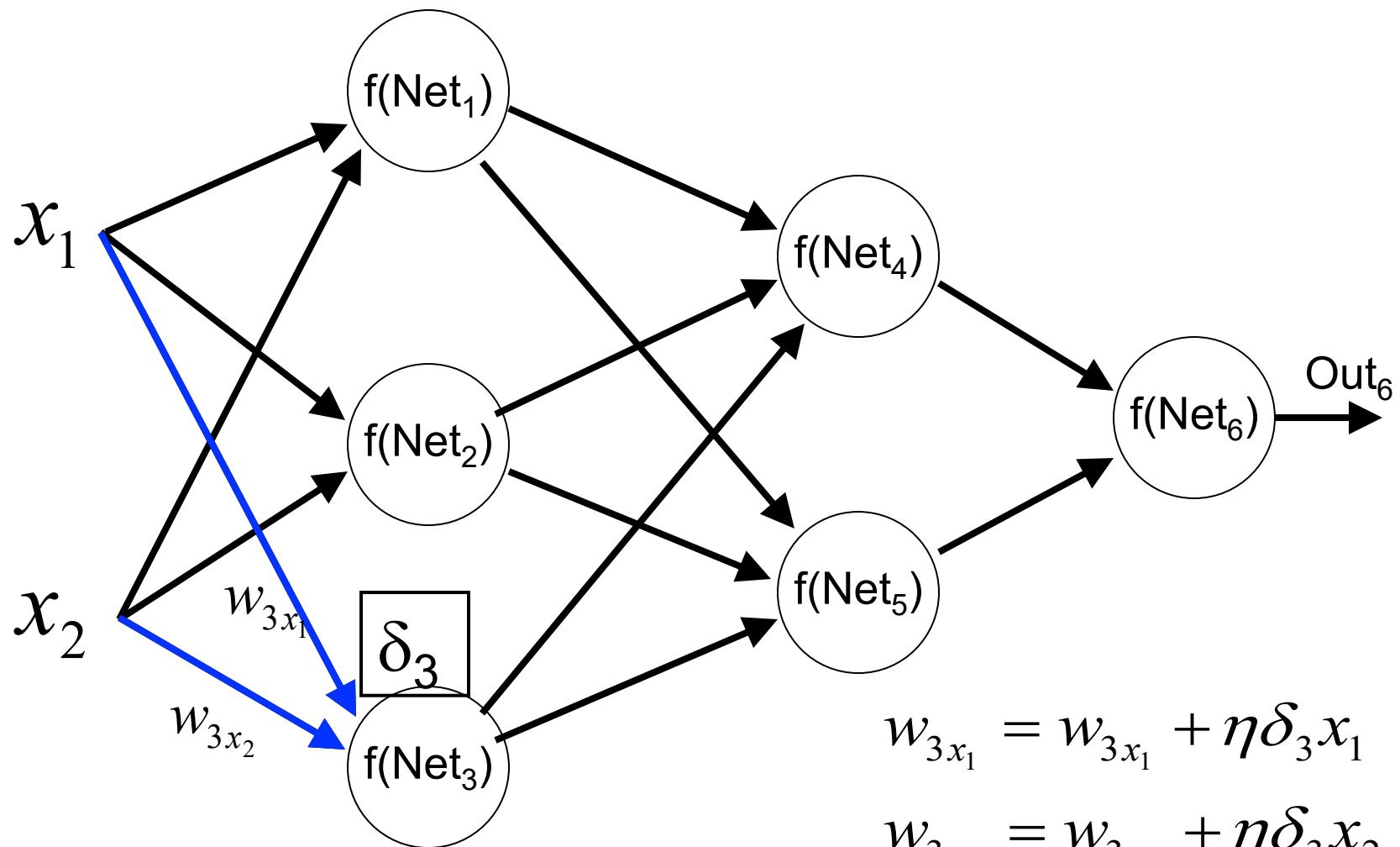
BP algorithm: Update weight(1)



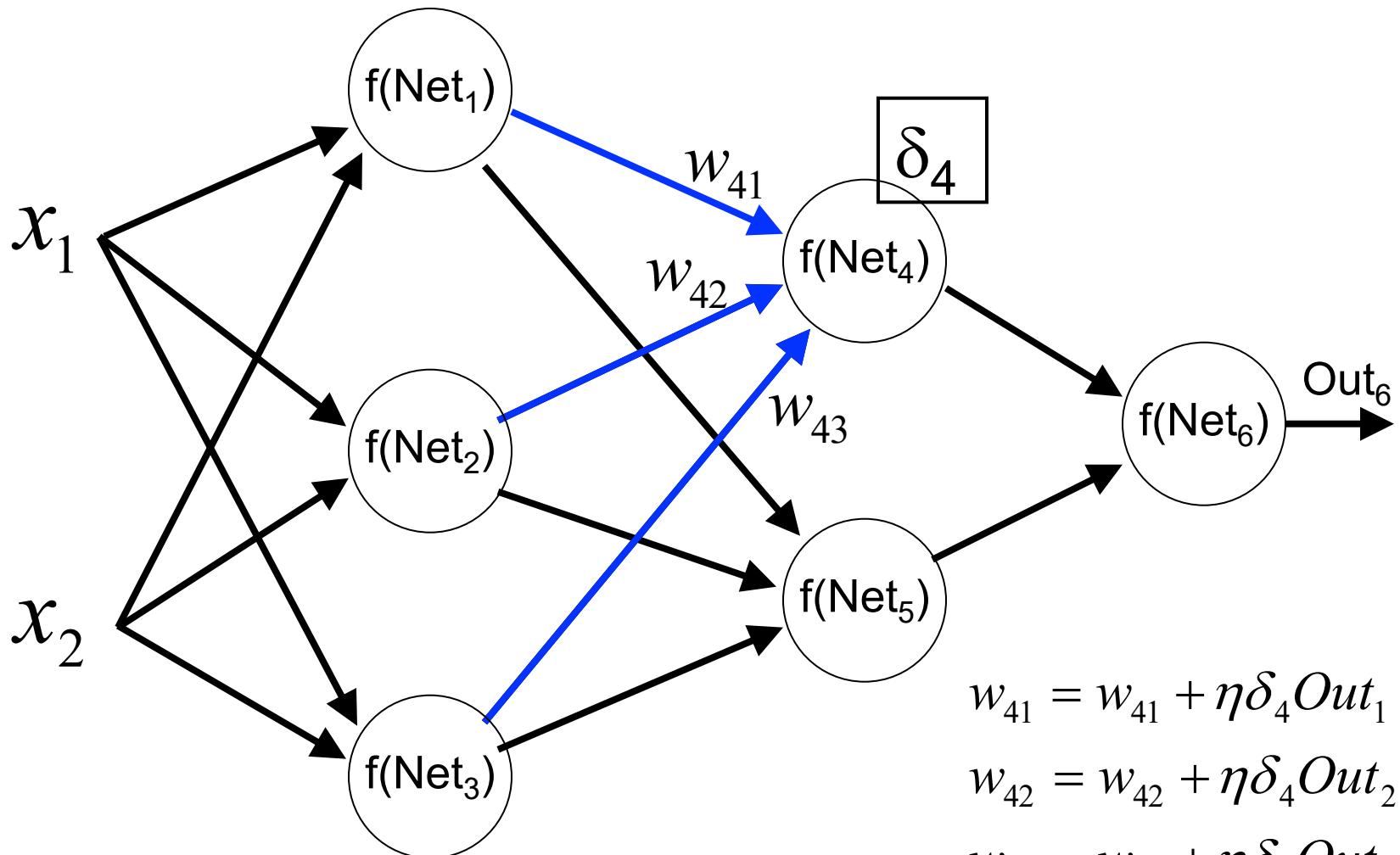
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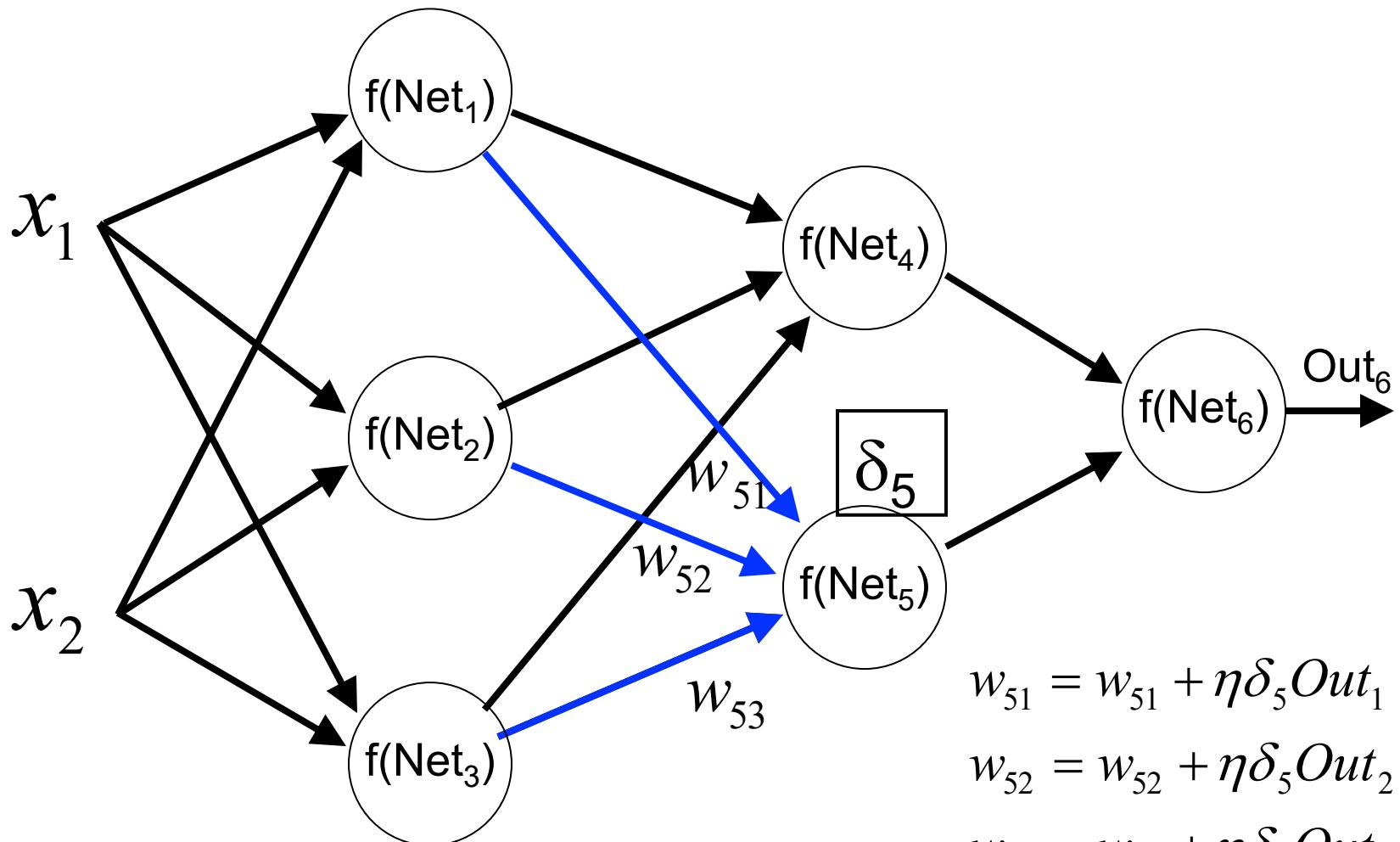
BP algorithm: Update weight(3)



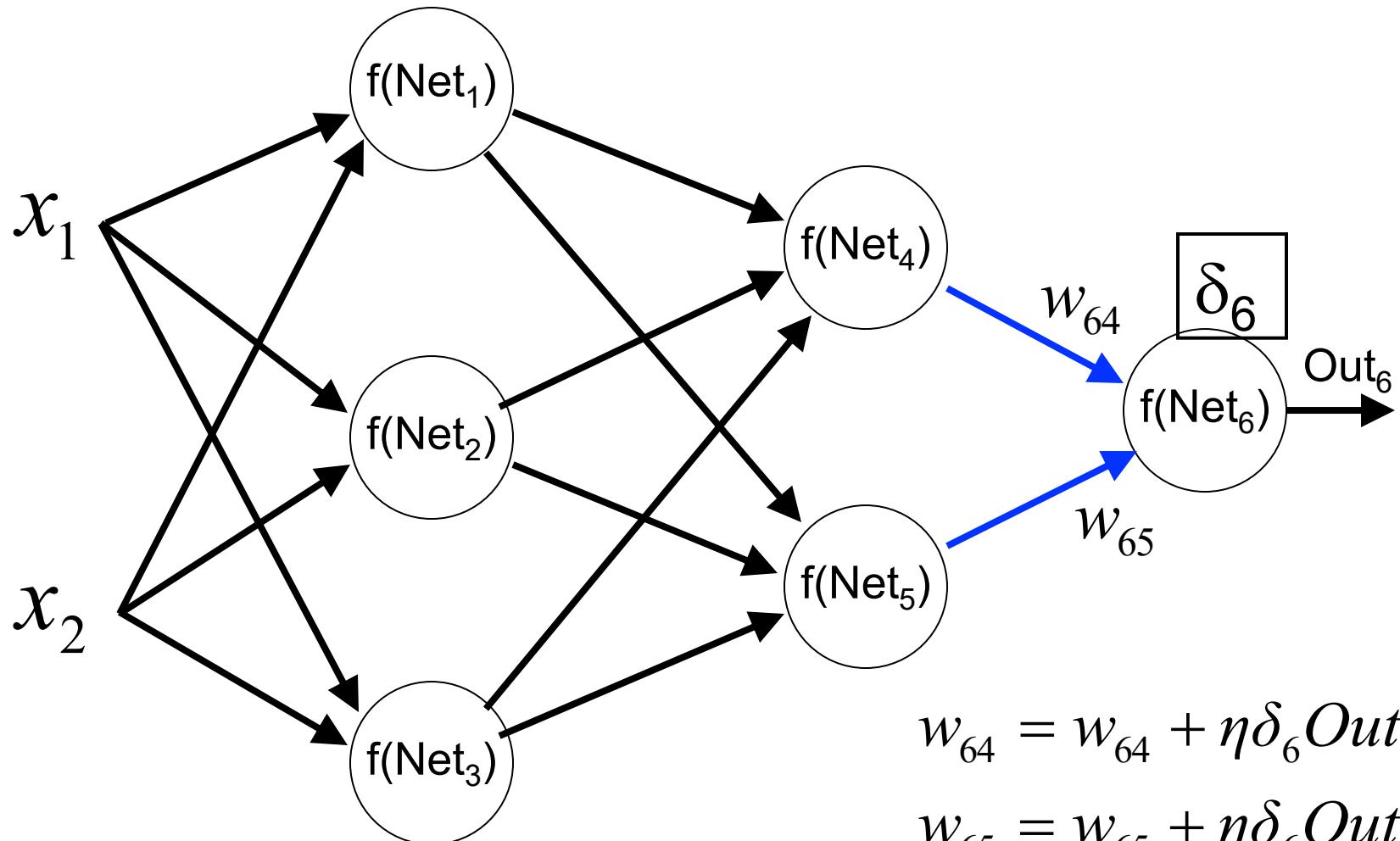
BP algorithm: Update weight(4)



BP algorithm: Update weight(5)



BP algorithm: Update weight(6)



BP algorithm: Initialize weights

- Normally, weights are initialized with random small values
- If the weights have large initial values
 - Sigmoid functions will reach saturation soon
 - The system will deadlock at a saddle / stationary points

BP algorithm: Learning rate

- Important effect on the efficiency and convergence of BP algorithm
 - A large value of η can accelerate the convergence of the learning process, but can cause the system to ignore the global optimal point or focus on bad points (saddle points).
 - A small η value can make the learning process take a long time
- Often select it empirically
- Good values of learning rate at the beginning (learning process) may not be good at a later time
 - Using an adaptive (dynamic) learning rate?

BP algorithm: Momentum

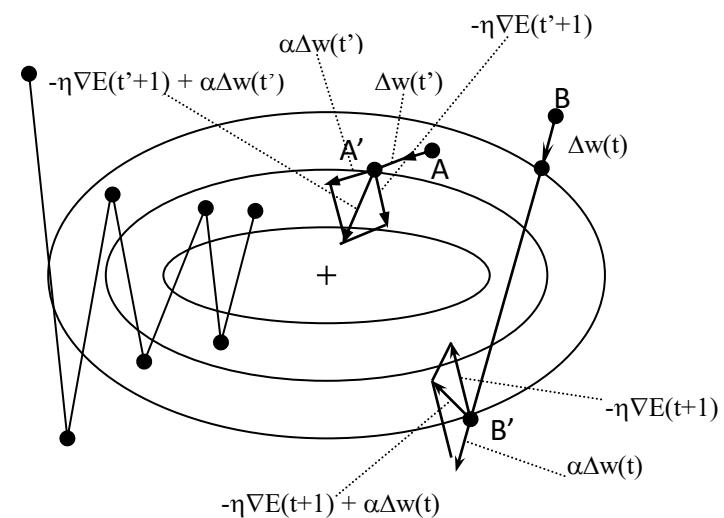
- The gradient descent method can be very slow if η is small and can fluctuate greatly if η is too large
- To reduce the level of fluctuations, it is necessary to add a momentum component

$$\Delta w^{(t)} = -\eta \nabla E^{(t)} + \alpha \Delta w^{(t-1)}$$

- where $\alpha \in [0,1]$ is a momentum parameter (usually assign = 0.9)
- We should choose reasonable values for learning rate and satisfying momentum

$$(\eta + \alpha) \gtrsim 1$$

where $\alpha > \eta$ to avoid fluctuations



Gradient descent for a simple square error function.

The left trajectory does not use momentum.

The right trajectory uses momentum.

BP algorithm: Number of neurons

- The size (number of neurons) of the hidden layer is an important question for the application of multi-layer neural network to solve practical problems
- In fact, it is difficult to identify the exact number of neurons needed to achieve the desired system accuracy
- The size of the hidden layer is usually determined through experiments (experiment/trial and test)

ANN: Learning limit

- Boolean functions
 - Any binary function can be learnt (approximately well) by an ANN using one hidden layer
- Continuous functions
 - Any bounded continuous function can be learnt (approximately) by an ANN using one hidden layer
[Cybenko, 1989; Hornik et al., 1991]

ANN: advantages, disadvantages

- Advantages
 - Nature (structure) supports high-level parallel computation
 - Obtain high accuracy in many problems (photos, video, audio, text)
 - Very flexible in network architecture
- Disadvantages
 - There are no general rules for determining the network architecture and optimal parameters for a given problem
 - There is no general method for assessing ANN's inner workings (thus, the ANN system is viewed as a "black box").
 - It is difficult (impossible) to give explanations to the user

ANN: When?

- The form of the function does not predetermined
- It is not necessary (or unimportant) to provide an explanation to the user about the results
- Accept long time for the training process
- Domains related to image, video, speech, text



Keras



TensorFlow

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Exercises

1) What is an artificial neural network (ANN)?

- A. A rule-based expert system
- B. A network of interconnected artificial neurons that can learn from data
- C. A relational database
- D. A deterministic finite automaton

Exercises

2) What is the role of the bias term in a neuron's net input?

- A. It increases the dimensionality of inputs
- B. It shifts the decision boundary to improve separability
- C. It normalizes inputs to zero mean
- D. It prevents overfitting

Exercises

3) A hard-limited (threshold) activation function is characterized by:

- A. Continuity and smoothness
- B. Outputting exactly the input value
- C. Discontinuity and two possible output values
- D. A derivative defined everywhere

Exercises

4) Which activation is noted as most popular, outputs non-negative values, and is not differentiable at 0?

- A. Sigmoid
- B. Hyperbolic tangent
- C. ReLU
- D. Linear

Exercises

5) A network is “fully connected” when:

- A. Each neuron connects only to itself
- B. All outputs of a layer connect to every neuron in the next layer
- C. Neurons connect only within a layer
- D. Connections skip over layers

Exercises

6) Which statement distinguishes feed-forward from recurrent networks?

- A. Feed-forward networks allow cycles; recurrent networks do not
- B. Feed-forward networks have no hidden layers
- C. Feed-forward networks have only forward connections; recurrent networks include feedback/closed loops
- D. Recurrent networks never use activation functions

Exercises

7) “Parameter learning” in ANNs refers to:

- A. Selecting the number of layers and connections
- B. Adapting the weights of connections for a fixed structure
- C. Choosing activation functions
- D. Normalizing the input data

Exercises

8) A (binary) perceptron with hard-limited activation outputs what when $\text{Net}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}) \leq 0$?

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. -1
- D. Depends on a softmax

Exercises

9) Under which condition does the perceptron learning algorithm provably converge?

- A. Data are linearly separable and the learning rate is sufficiently small
- B. Data are not linearly separable
- C. Any differentiable activation is used
- D. A very large learning rate is used

Exercises

10) In mini-batch training, weights are updated using:

- A. The entire dataset every time
- B. A single example at a time only
- C. Randomly selected small subsets of the data
- D. Only misclassified examples

Exercises

11) A key requirement for using backpropagation (BP) is:

- A. The activation function must be differentiable
- B. The network must be recurrent
- C. Using a threshold (hard-limited) activation
- D. Using unsupervised data only

Exercises

12) Backpropagation consists of two major phases:

- A. Normalization and regularization
- B. Forward pass of signals and backward propagation of errors
- C. Clustering and classification
- D. Initialization and evaluation

Exercises

13) In the general delta learning rule used by BP, the weight update for connection $b \rightarrow a$ is:

- A. $\Delta w_{ab} = \eta \delta_b x_a$
- B. $\Delta w_{ab} = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ab}} = \eta \delta_a x_b$
- C. $\Delta w_{ab} = \alpha \Delta w_{ab}^{(t-1)}$
- D. $\Delta w_{ab} = \eta (d - Out)$

Exercises

14) Why initialize weights with small random values (especially with sigmoids)?

- A. To force immediate saturation
- B. To avoid early saturation and deadlock at saddle/stationary points
- C. To eliminate the need for learning rate tuning
- D. To ensure exact reproducibility

Exercises

15) According to the “learning limits” noted, which statement is true?

- A. Only linear functions can be learned by ANNs
- B. Any bounded continuous function can be approximated (well) by a single-hidden-layer ANN
- C. Two hidden layers are always required for continuity
- D. Approximation is impossible without recurrent connections

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