# Units in Neural Networks

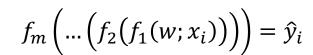
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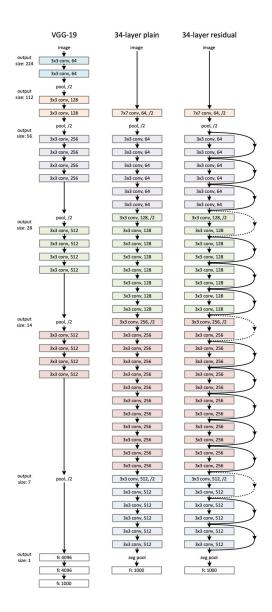
#### Previous

- NN basics
- An example of learning XOR function

#### Feedforward networks

- Deep:
  - Many compositional layers
- Nonlinearity
  - Some functions  $f_i$  can be nonlinear
- Nonconvexity
  - Composition of functions
  - Some functions  $f_i$  can be nonconvex
- Feedforward
  - Information feedforward from input to output layer





## Learning XOR function

$$\boldsymbol{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \boldsymbol{c} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

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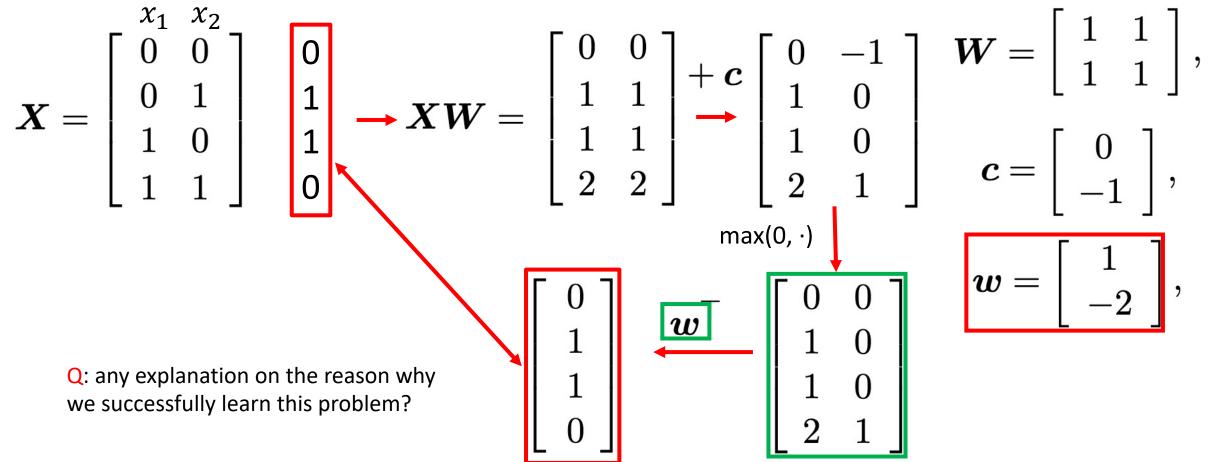
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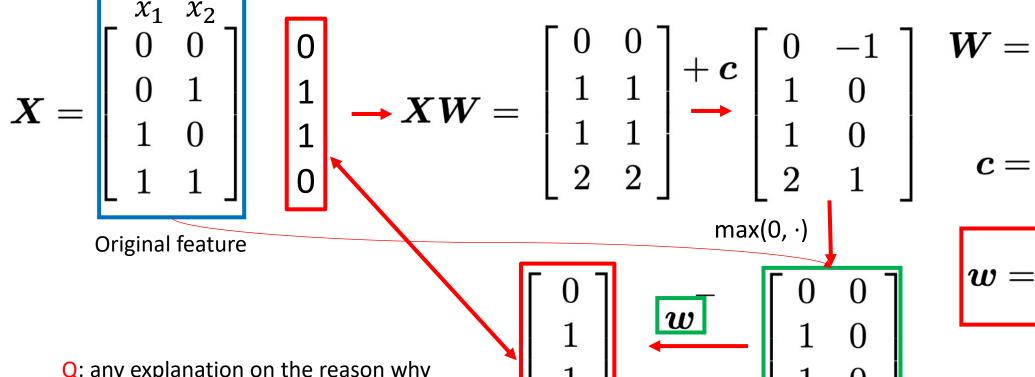
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Q: any explanation on the reason why we successfully learn this problem?

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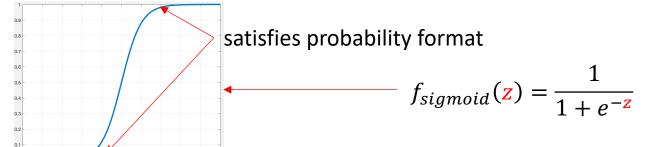
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- How to interact with groundtruth labels?
- Likelihood function

$$L(w) = P_w(X_1 = x_1, ..., X_n = x_n) = f(w; x_1) \times \dots \times f(w; x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(w; x_i)$$

Maximum likelihood estimation

$$\max_{w} \log L(w) = \log \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(w; x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \underbrace{f(w; x_i)}$$



approximate Probability mass function (e.g., Bernoulli distribution)

Gray code

**Binary** 

One-hot

z: may be unbounded

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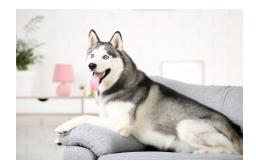
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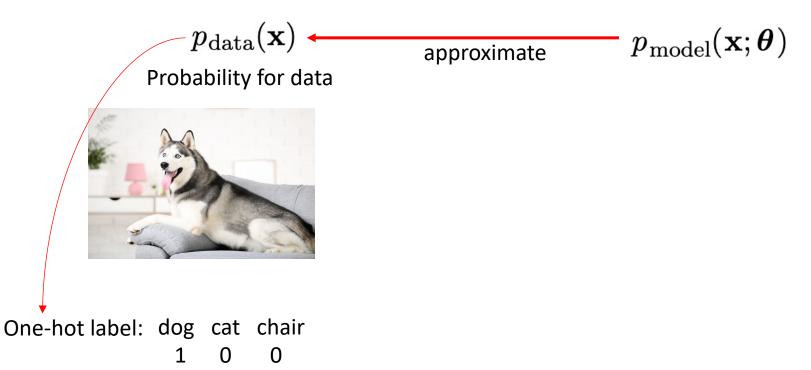


Q: Where?

One-hot label: dog cat chair

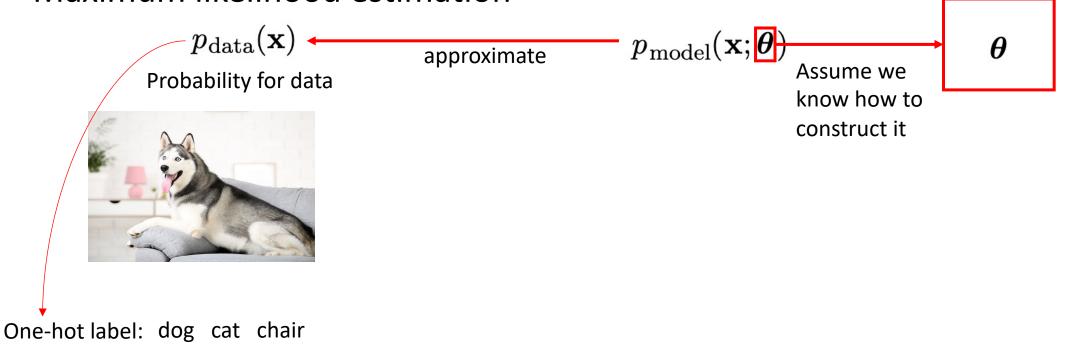
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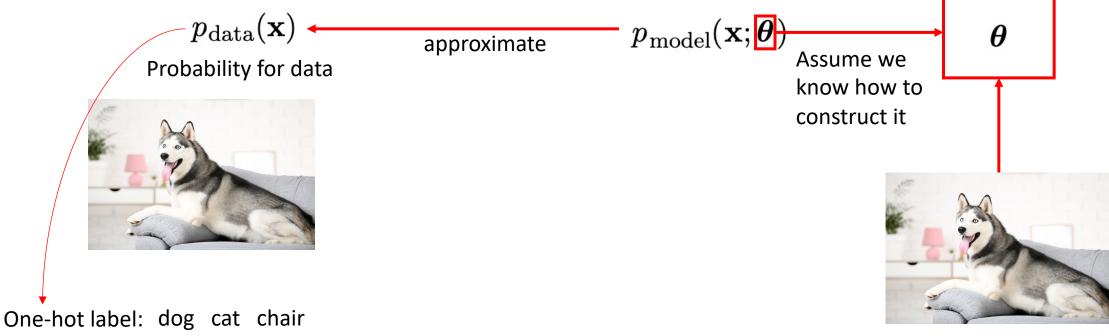
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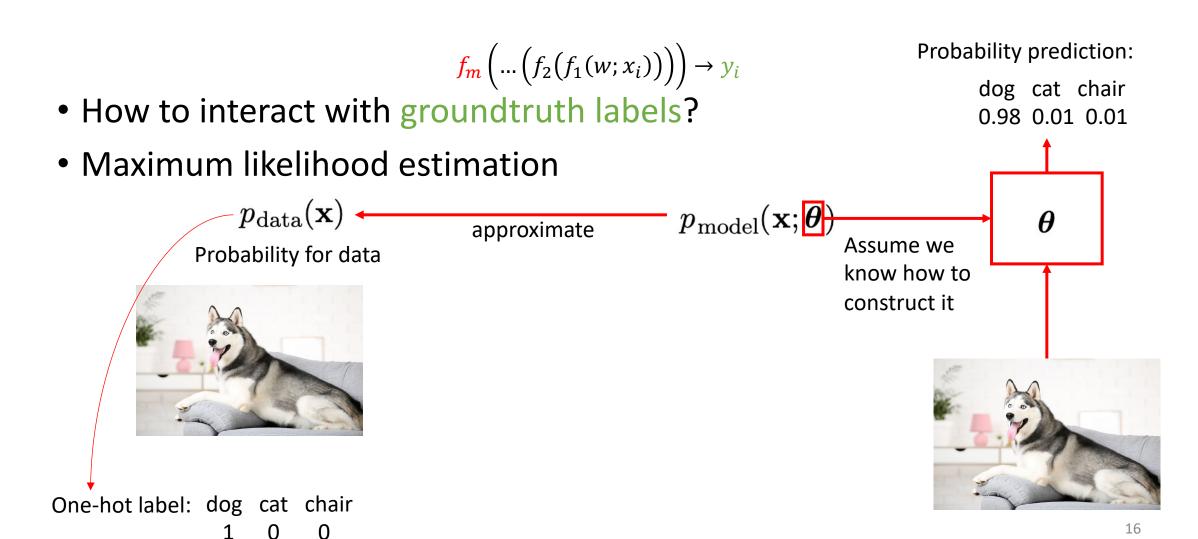
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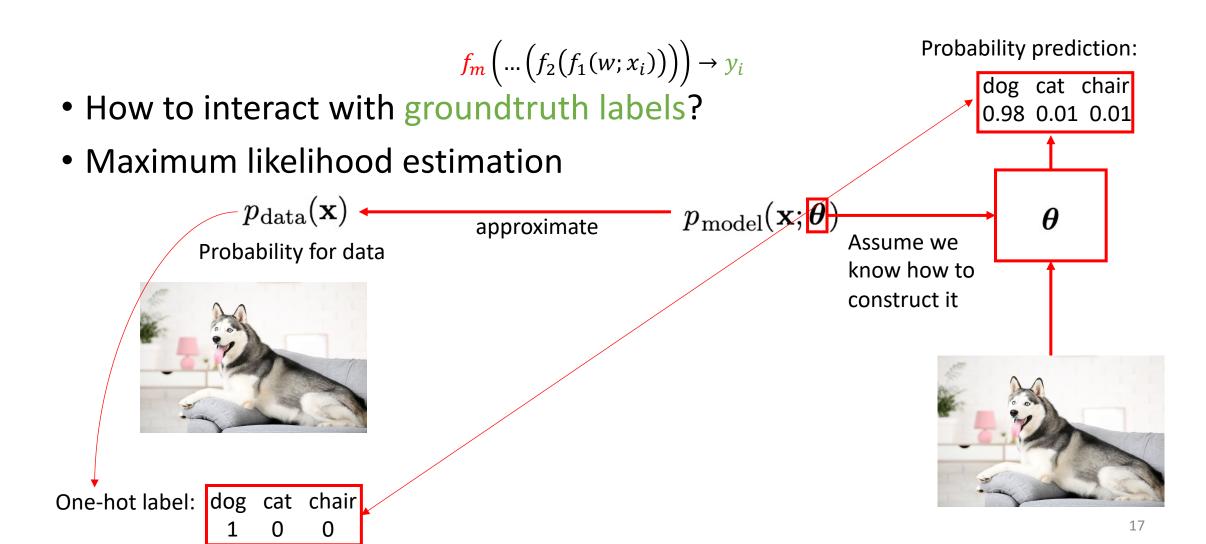


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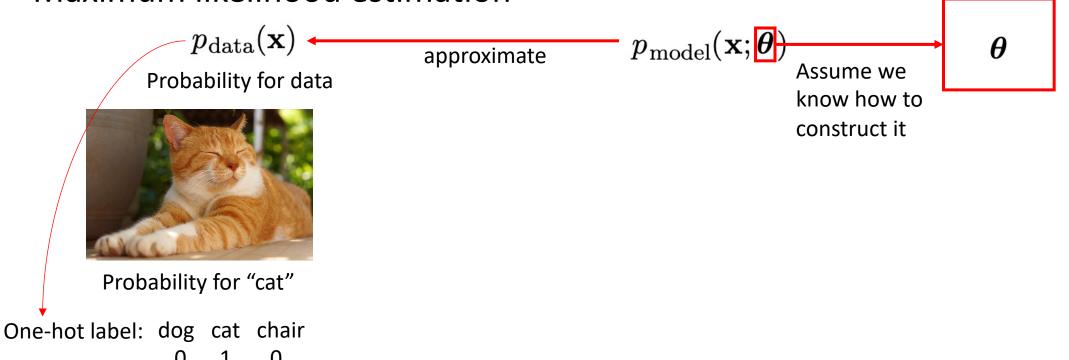






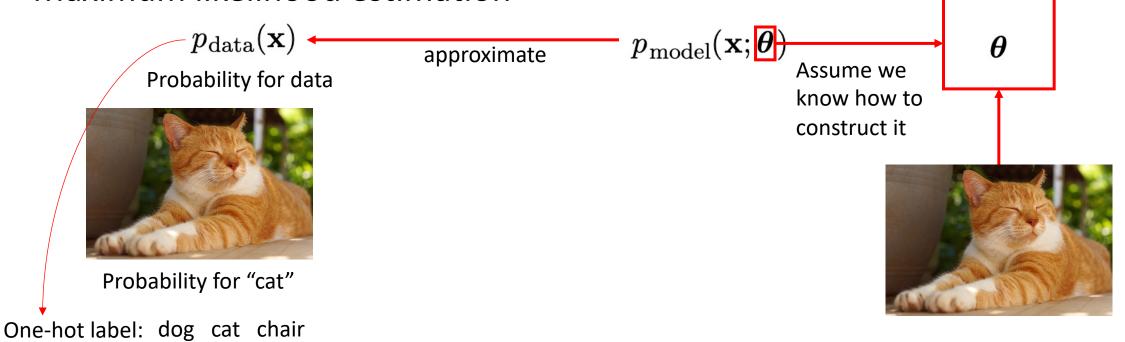
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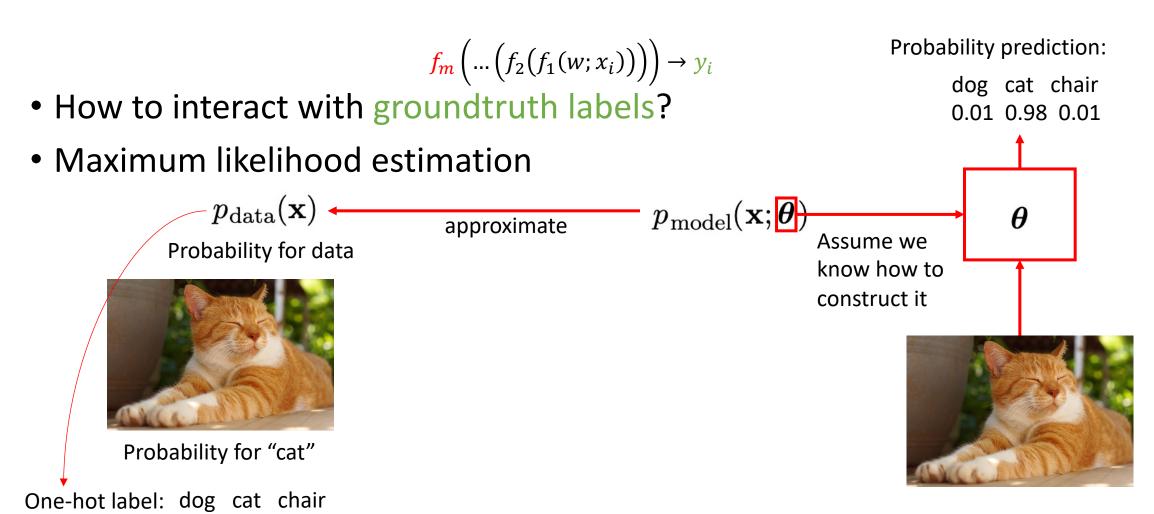
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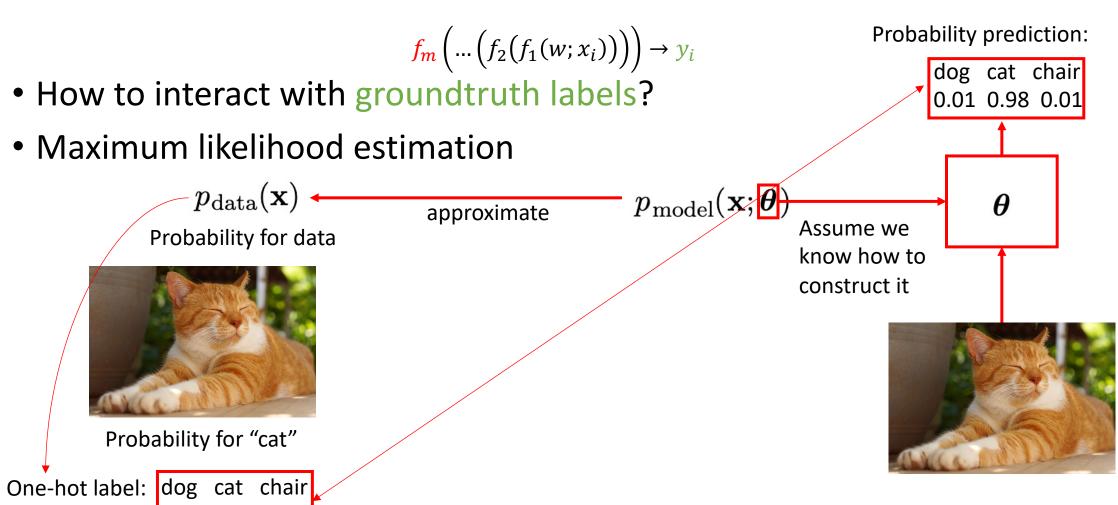


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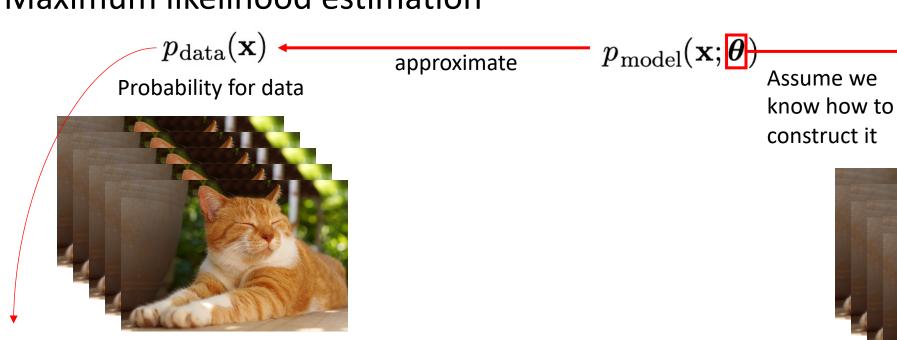
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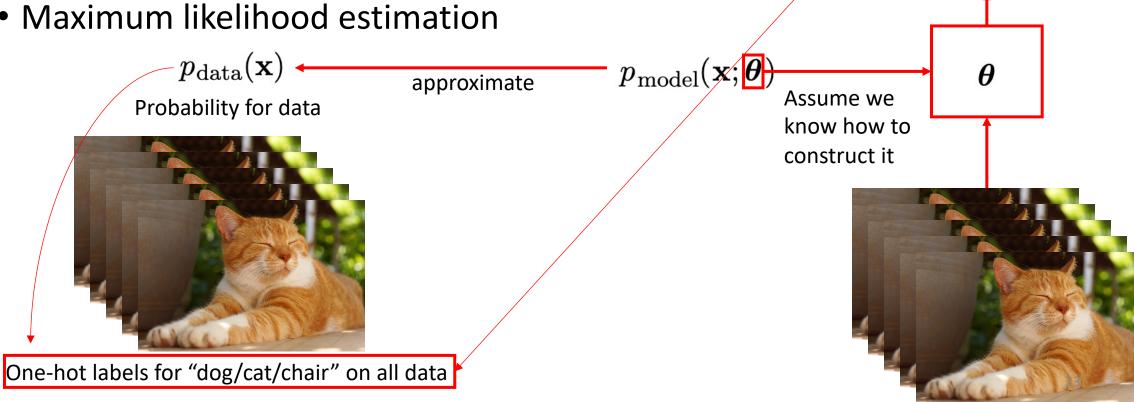
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One-hot labels for "dog/cat/chair" on all data



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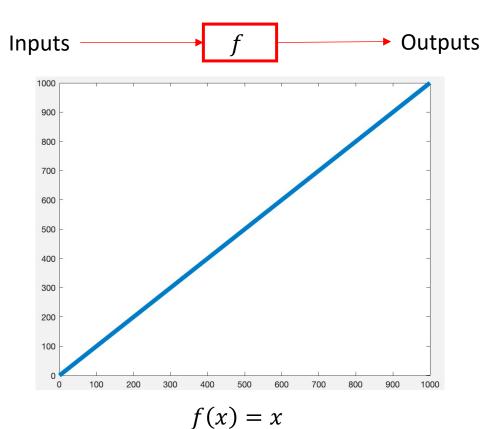
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#### What are hidden units?

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Inputs  $f$  Outputs

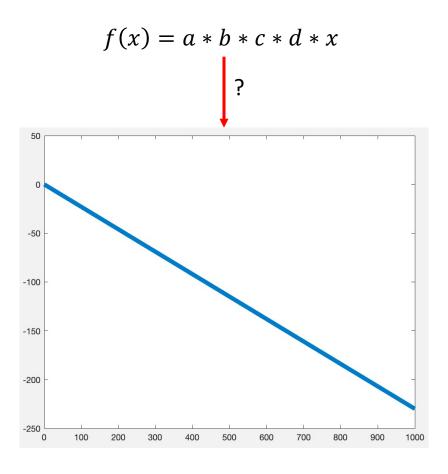
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Q: what if for all layers: f(x) = a \* x?

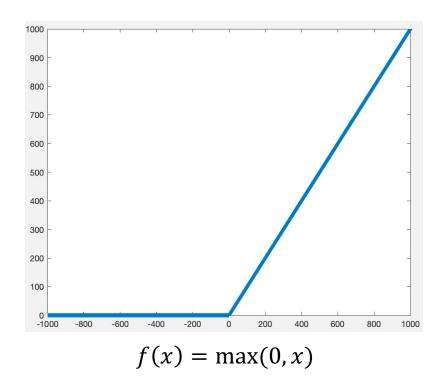
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Combination of all linear layers is still linear We are interested in nonlinear layers

## ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit)

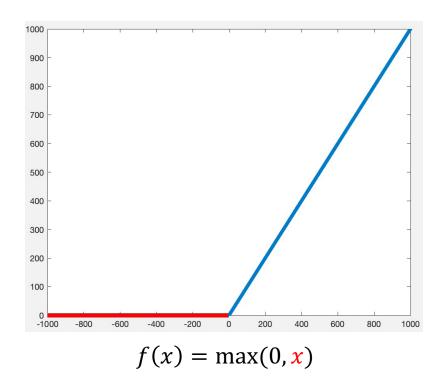
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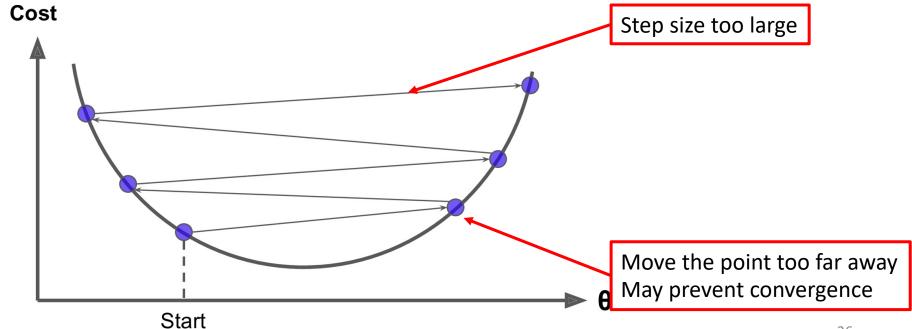
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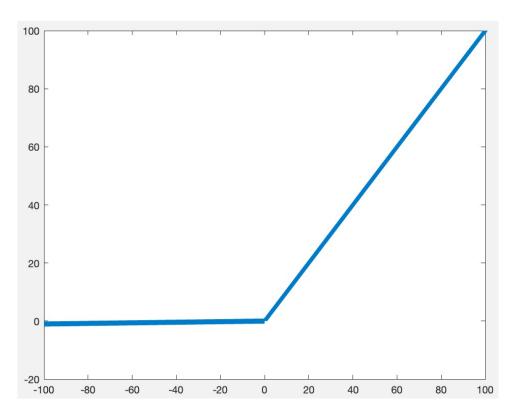
#### Determining model parameters

- When to terminate GD (determining T)?
  - Main factors influencing convergence rate?
    - Step size (learning rate)



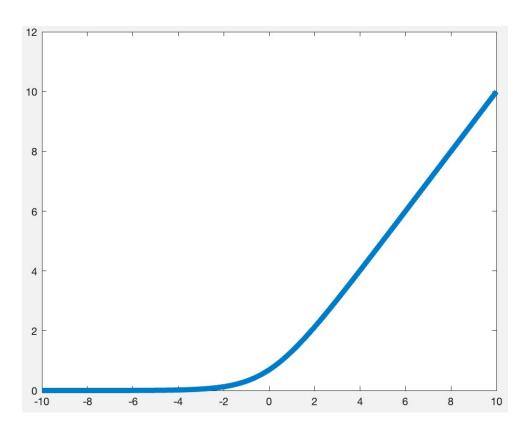
# Leaky ReLU

$$f(x_j^i) = \max(0.01x_j^i, x_j^i)$$



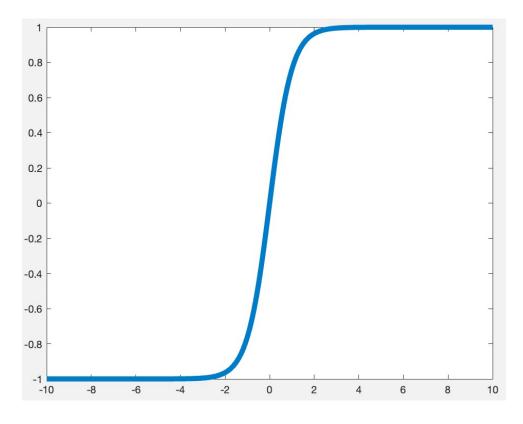
# Smooth ReLU/softplus

$$a_j^i = f(x_j^i) = \log(1 + \exp(x_j^i))$$



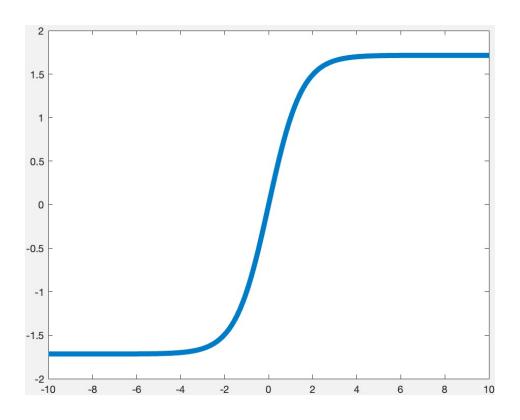
#### Tanh

$$f(x_j^i) = \tanh(x_j^i)$$



# LeCun's Tanh [1]

$$f(x_j^i) = 1.7159 \tanh\left(\frac{2}{3}x_j^i\right)$$

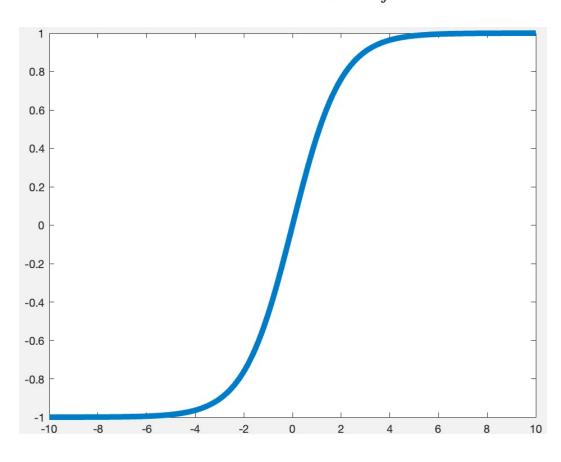


# Sigmoid

$$f(x_j^i) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x_j^i)}$$

# Bipolar sigmoid

$$f(x_j^i) = \frac{1 - \exp(-x_j^i)}{1 + \exp(-x_j^i)}$$



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