

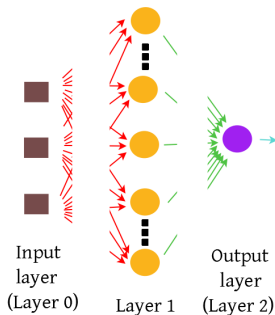
Deep Learning - Theory and Practice

IE 643
Lectures 11 & 12

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- 1 Popular examples of MLP
 - MLP with Single Hidden Layer
 - Encoder-Decoder Architecture

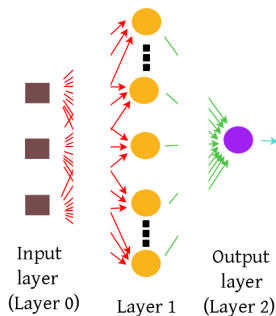
MLP with Single Hidden Layer: Approximation Properties



In the MLP with single hidden layer, consider:

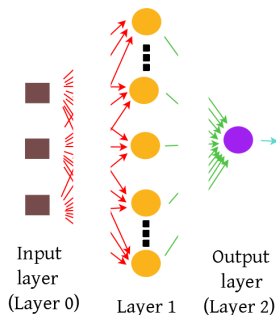
- d neurons in input layer accepting inputs from $[0, 1]^d$.
- N neurons in hidden layer.
- Single neuron in the output layer.

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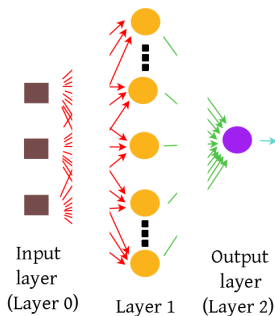
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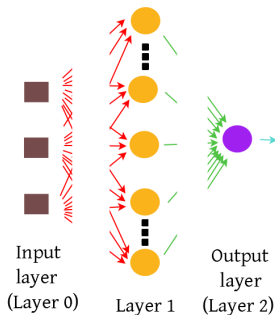
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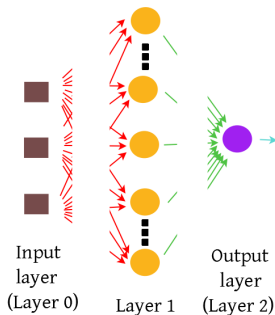
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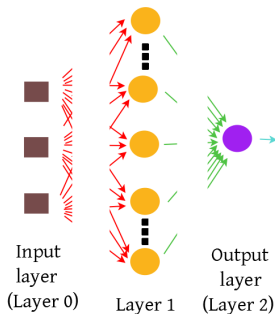
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 - ▶ **Recall:** A linear activation function $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is given by $\phi(z) = z$.

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- Weights connecting the input layer neurons to the j -th neuron in the hidden layer are collected into the vector w_j and the associated bias be b_j .
- Weight connecting the j -th neuron in hidden layer to the output layer neuron is denoted by α_j .

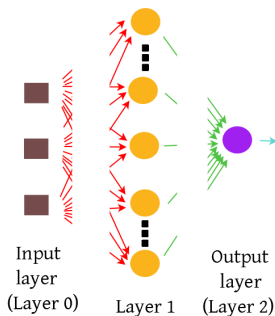
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- Then for an input $x \in [0, 1]^d$ the prediction or last layer output can be represented as:

$$\hat{y} = G(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j \sigma(w_j^\top x + b_j).$$

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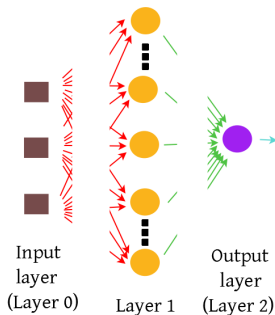


From a famous result of [Cybenko \(1989\)](#)[†] we have:

Let $\mathcal{C}([0, 1]^d)$ denote the set of continuous functions over $[0, 1]^d$ and let $\epsilon > 0$. Then for any $f \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1]^d)$, there is a sum of the form $G(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \alpha_j \sigma(w_j^\top x + b_j)$ such that $|G(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon, \forall x \in [0, 1]^d$.

[†] G. Cybenko, Approximations by Superpositions of a Sigmoidal Function, Math. Control Signals Systems, 1989.

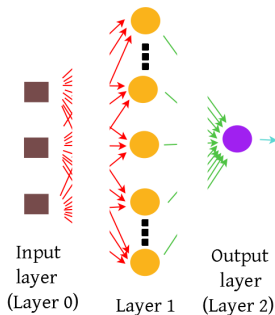
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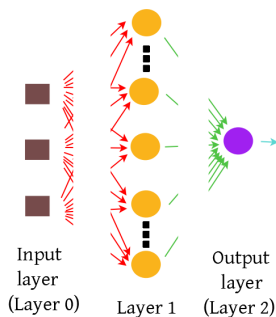
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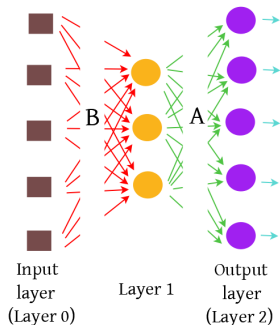
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- This result is about the **approximation capability** of single hidden layer networks.

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- **Caveat:** How many neurons N do we require in the hidden layer to achieve the approximation?

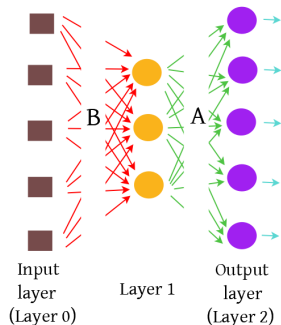
Multi Layer Perceptron: Encoder-Decoder Architecture



We consider a simple MLP architecture with:

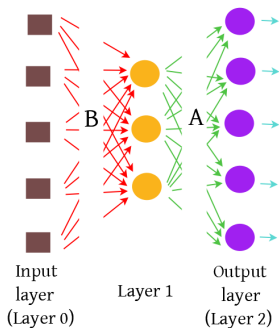
- An input layer with n neurons
- A hidden layer with p neurons, where $p \leq n$
- An output layer with n neurons
- All neurons in hidden and output layers have linear activations.

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This architecture is popularly called **Encoder-Decoder Architecture**.

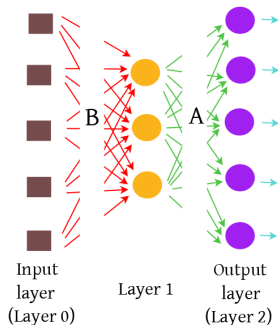
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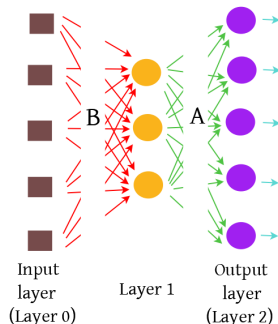
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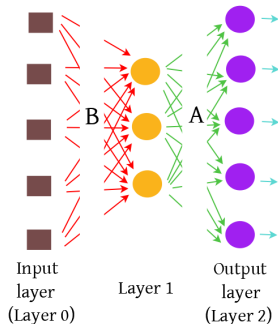
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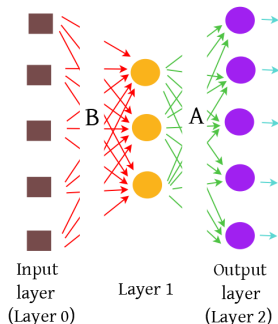
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Special case: When $y^i = x^i$, $\forall i$, the architecture is called **Autoencoder**.

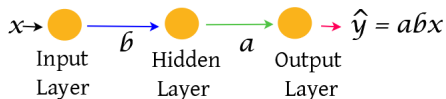
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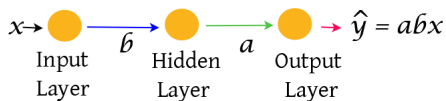
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Example: Consider the case: $n = p = 1$.

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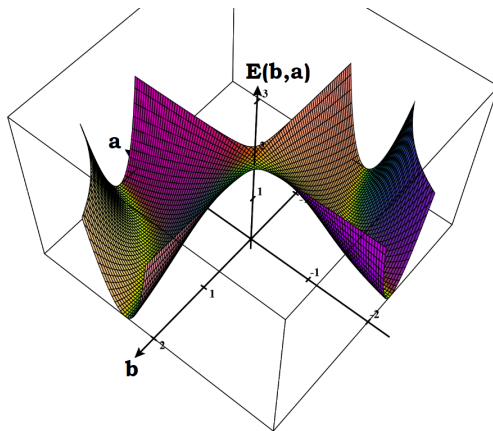


Sample Training Data:

x^i	y^i
.708333	.708333
.583333	.583333
.166667	.166667
.458333	.458333
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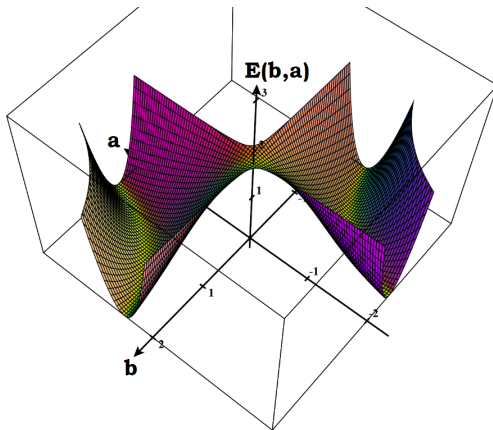
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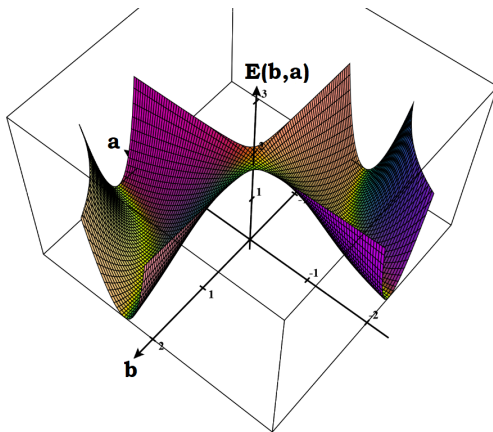
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Observation: Though there are two valleys in the loss surface, they look symmetric.

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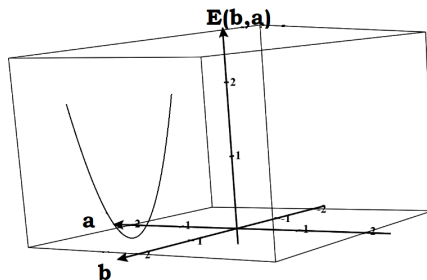
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Question: Does this extend to cases where $y^i \neq x^i$ and for $n \geq 2$, $n \geq p$?

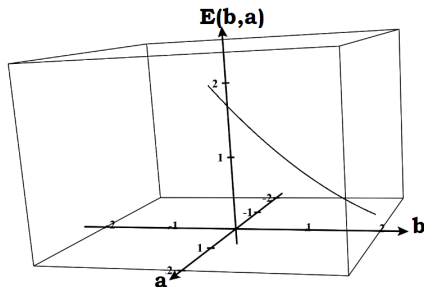
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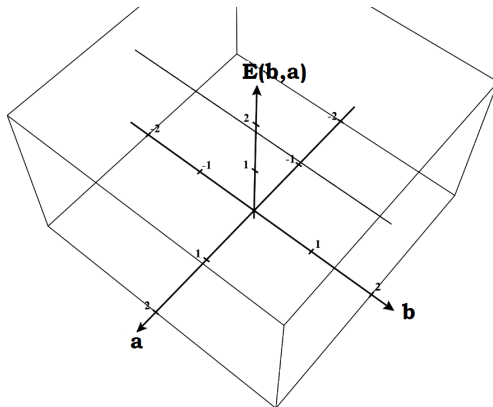
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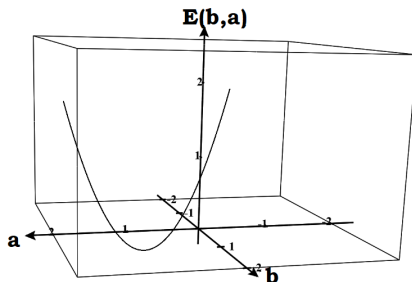
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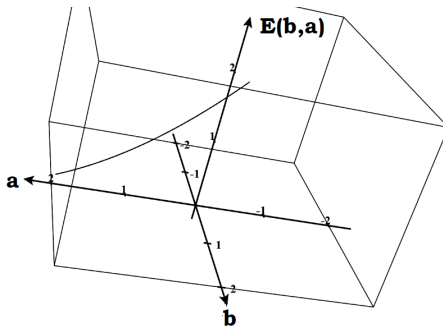
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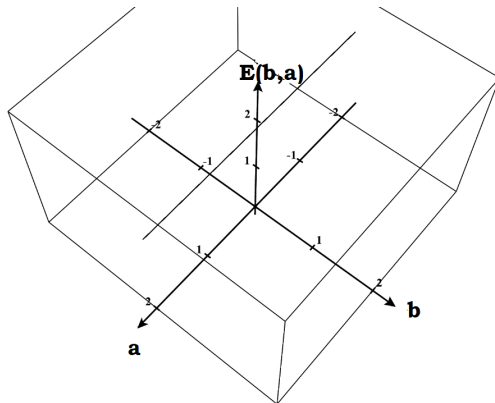
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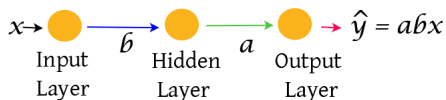


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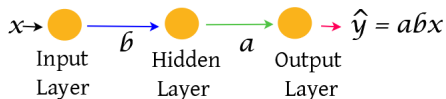
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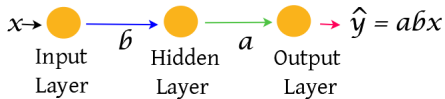


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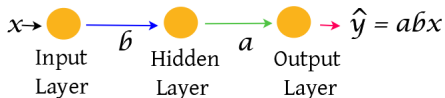
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We shall investigate this in higher dimensions !

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Note: X and Y are $n \times S$ matrices.

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For a $n \times q$ matrix $H = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & h_{12} & \dots & h_{1q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ h_{n1} & h_{n2} & \dots & h_{nq} \end{bmatrix}$,

let $\text{vec}(H) = [h_{11} \dots h_{n1} \ h_{12} \dots h_{n2} \dots h_{1q} \dots h_{nq}]^T$

denote a $nq \times 1$ vector.

Note: $\text{vec}(H)$ contains the columns of matrix H stacked upon one another.

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(Homework!)

Note: The norm is a simple vector norm.

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Some more new notations:

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and a $p \times q$ matrix $H = \begin{bmatrix} h_{11} & \dots & h_{1q} \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ h_{p1} & \dots & h_{pq} \end{bmatrix}$,

define: $G \otimes H = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11}H & \dots & g_{1n}H \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ g_{m1}H & \dots & g_{mn}H \end{bmatrix}$ as Kronecker product of G and H .

Note: $G \otimes H$ is of size $mp \times nq$.

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Claim:

$$\text{vec}(ABX) = (X^{\top} \otimes A)\text{vec}(B).$$

Proof idea:

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Recall: $E = \|\text{vec}(ABX) - \text{vec}(Y)\|_2^2$.

Homework: Fix B and vary weights of A matrix and check for convexity of the loss function and solution characteristics of the associated minimization problem.

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We have the corresponding result:

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Further, we have the corresponding result:

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