

# Implementing ANNs with TensorFlow

Session 02 - Perceptron & MLP

# Organizational Stuff

- Courses “Neuroinformatics” and “Machine Learning” are not a prerequisite!
- Go to Sahar’s Tutorial on Wednesday (12:00 - 14:00) to learn how to use Colab!
- Afterwards write me an Email, whether you want to do your homework submissions via **Stud.IP** or **Colab**!

# Agenda

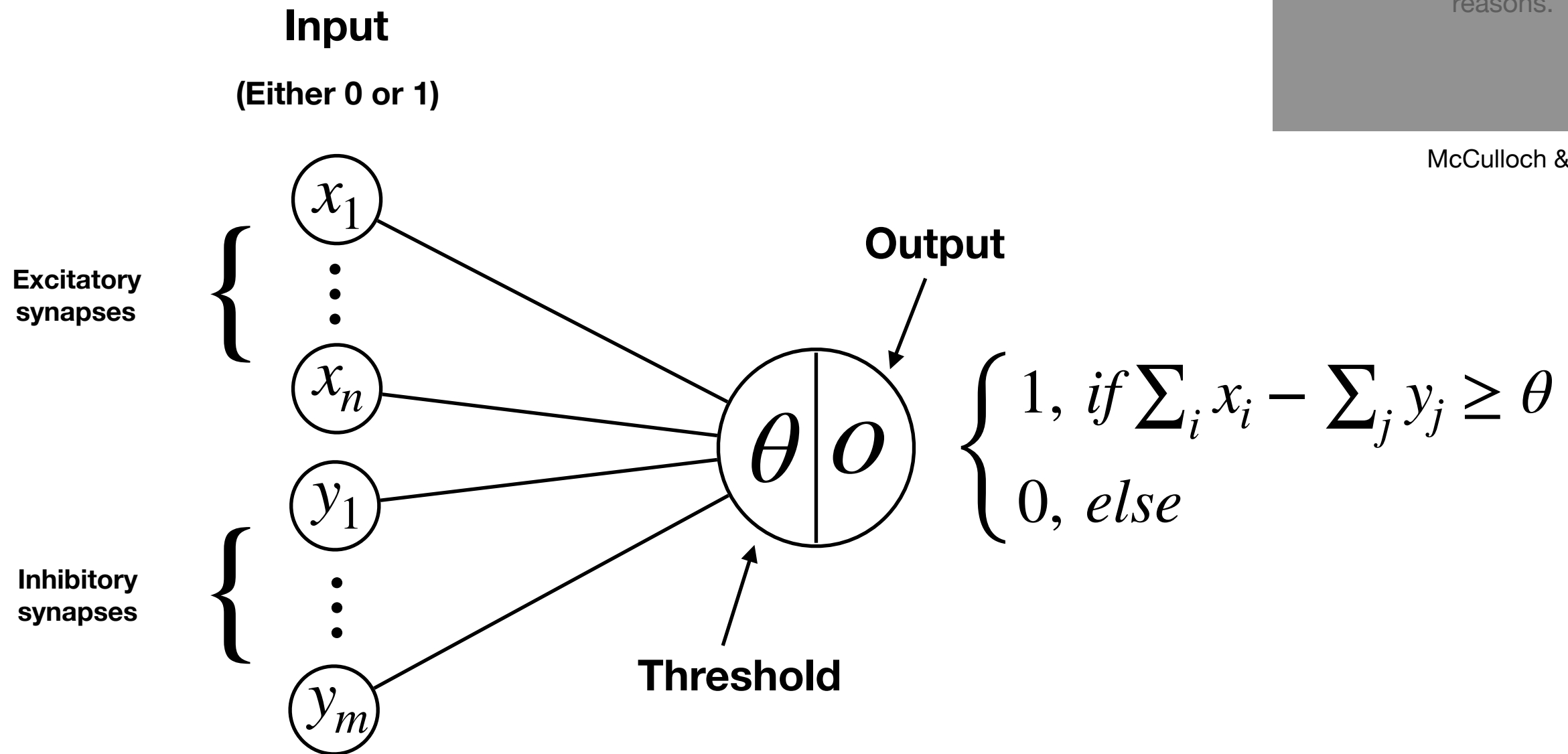
1. McCulloch-Pitts Model
2. Perceptron
3. Perceptron Learning
4. Multi-Layer Perceptron

# McCulloch-Pitts

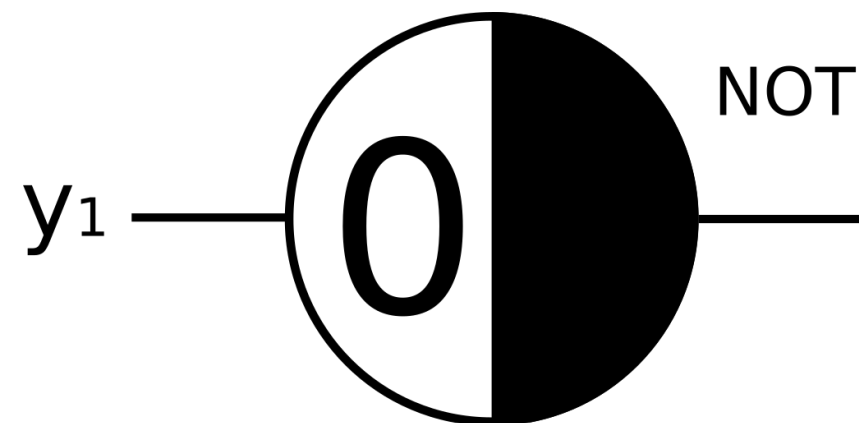
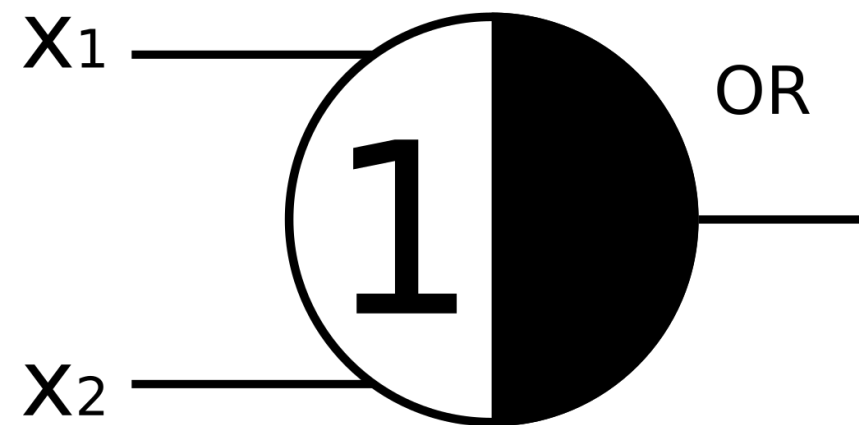
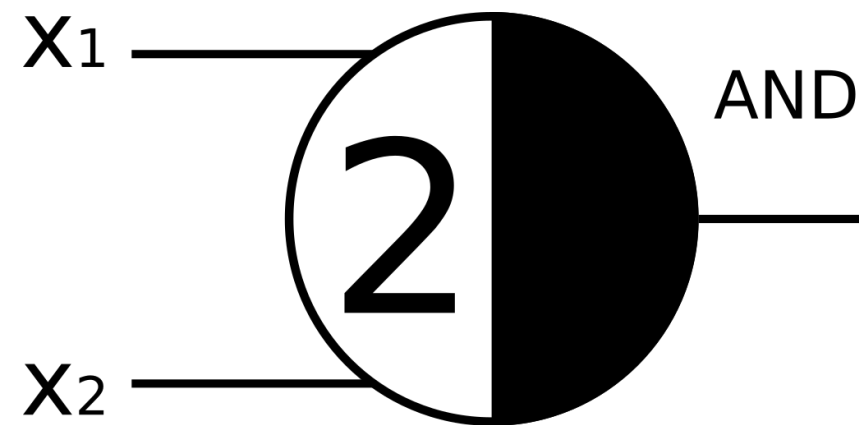
# McCulloch-Pitts Neuron

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McCulloch & Pitts



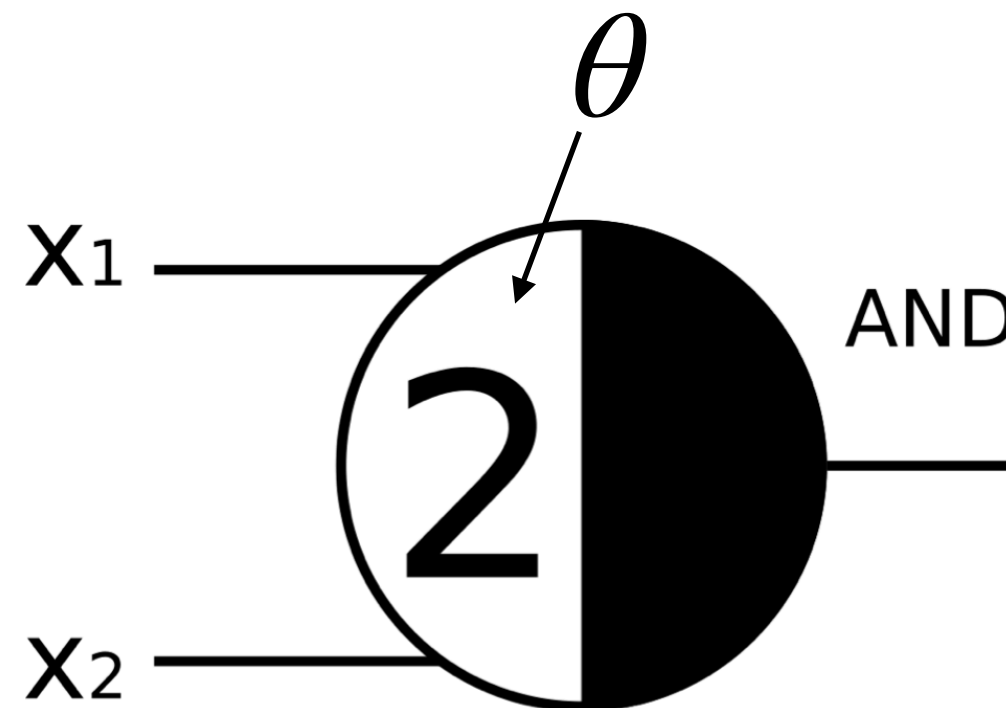
# Example: Logical Gates



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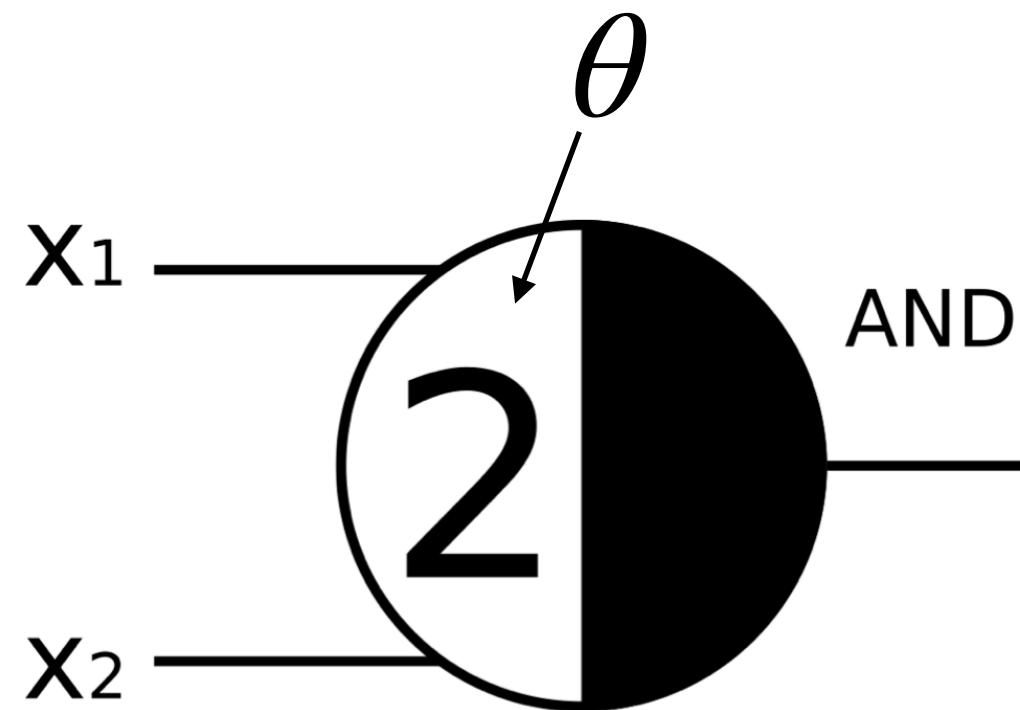
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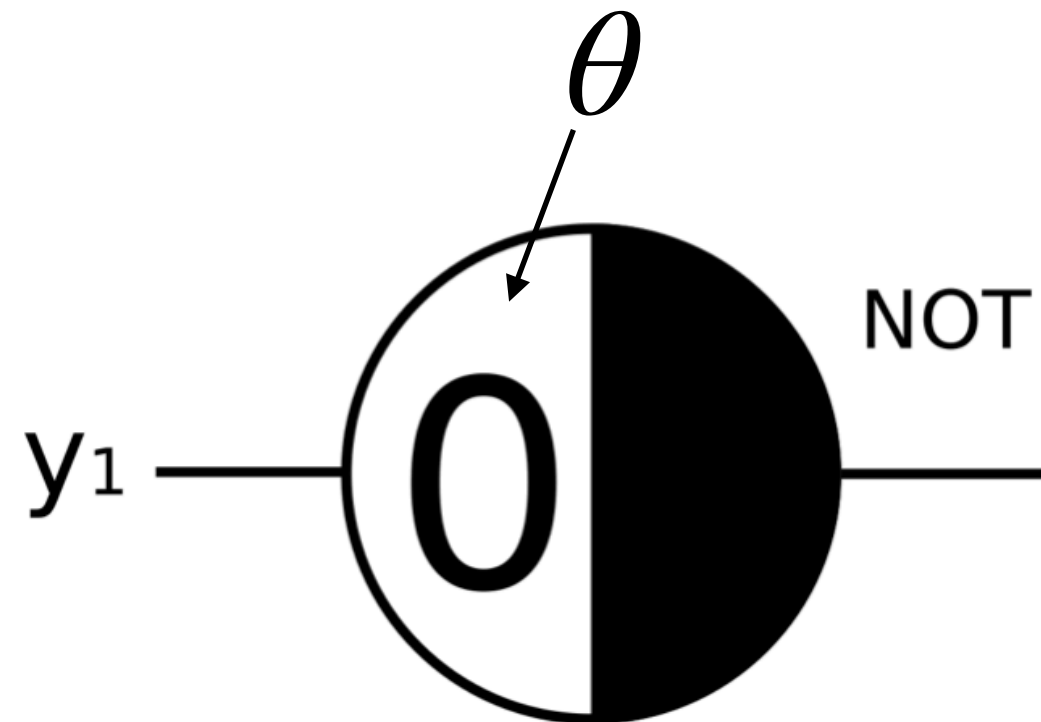




# Logical NO Gate

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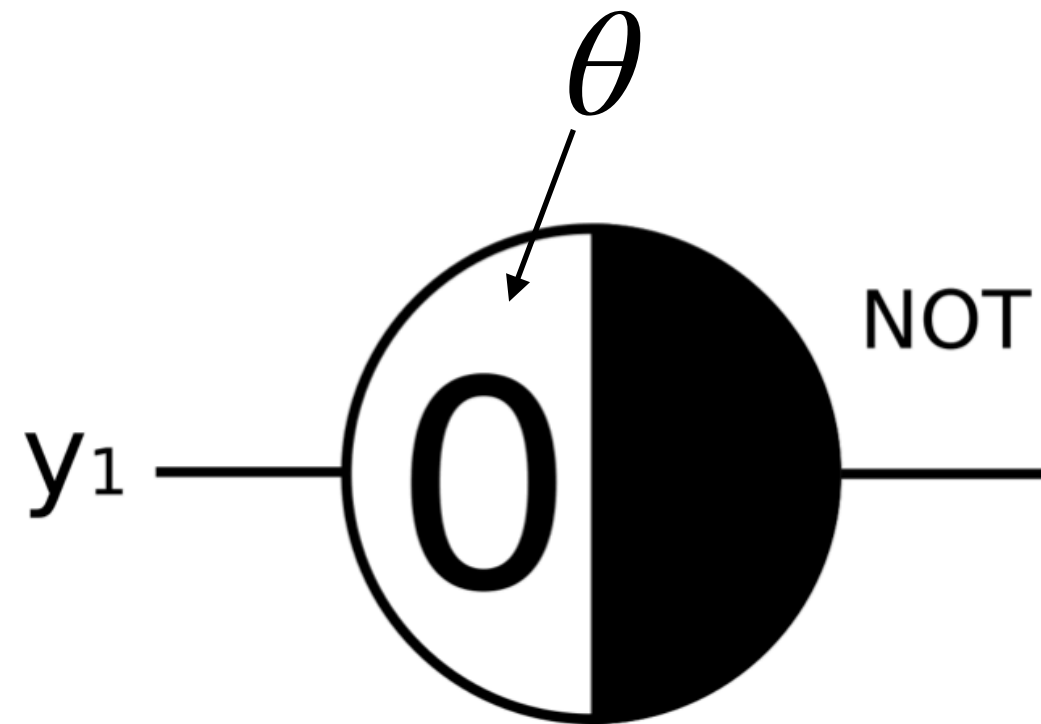
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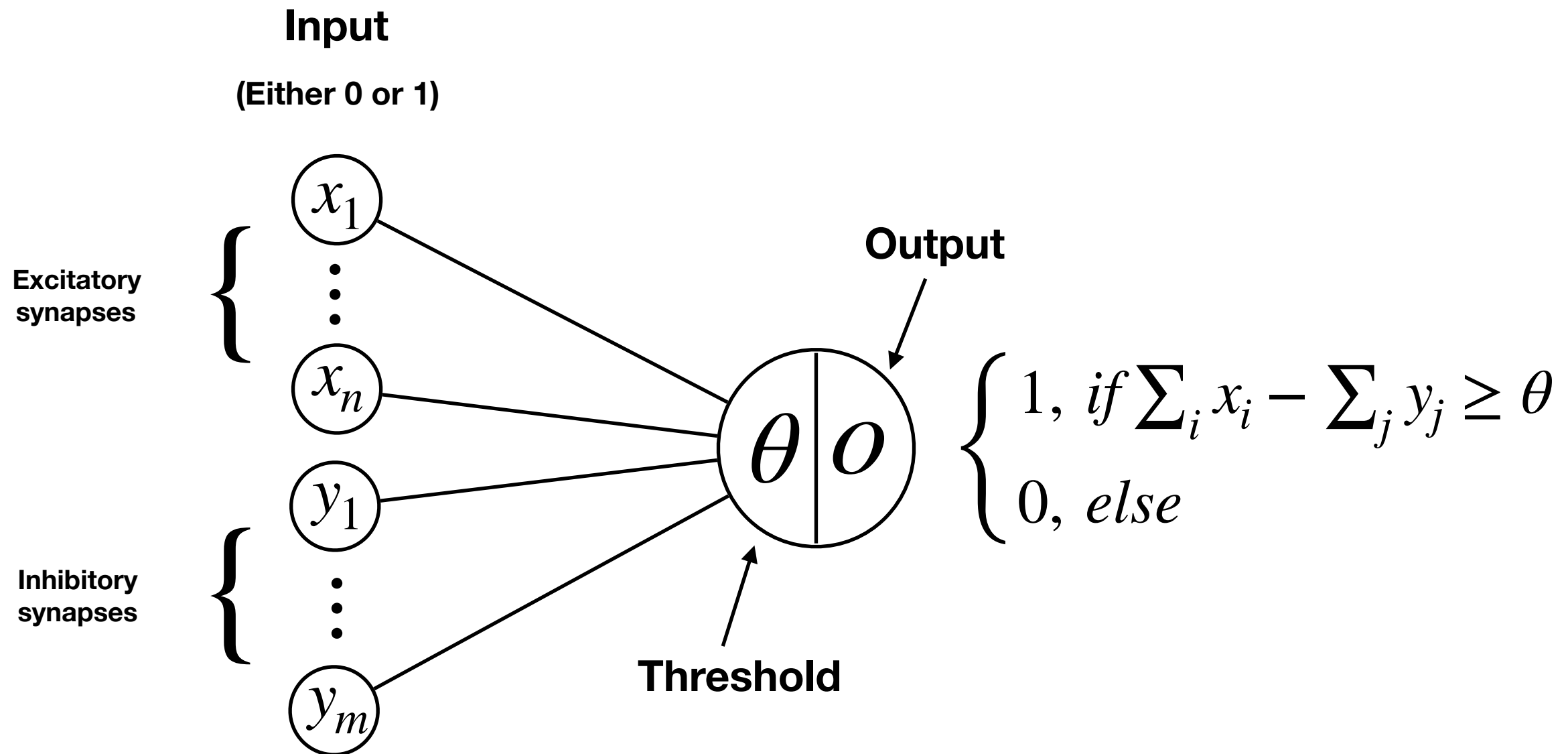


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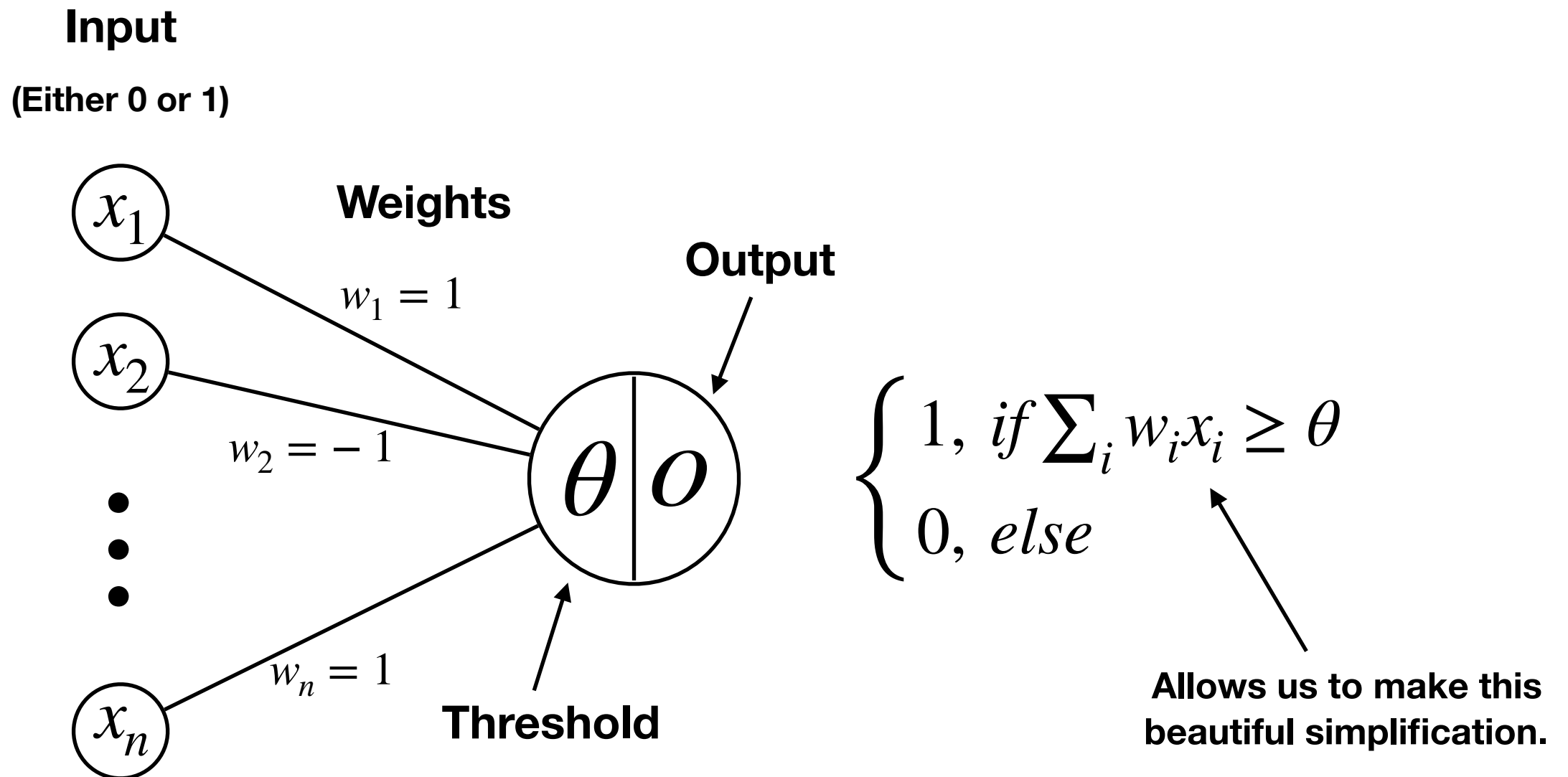


# A Different Perspective



**What if instead of excitatory and inhibitory synapses, we just use one kind of synapse and modulate their influence via a synaptic weight?**

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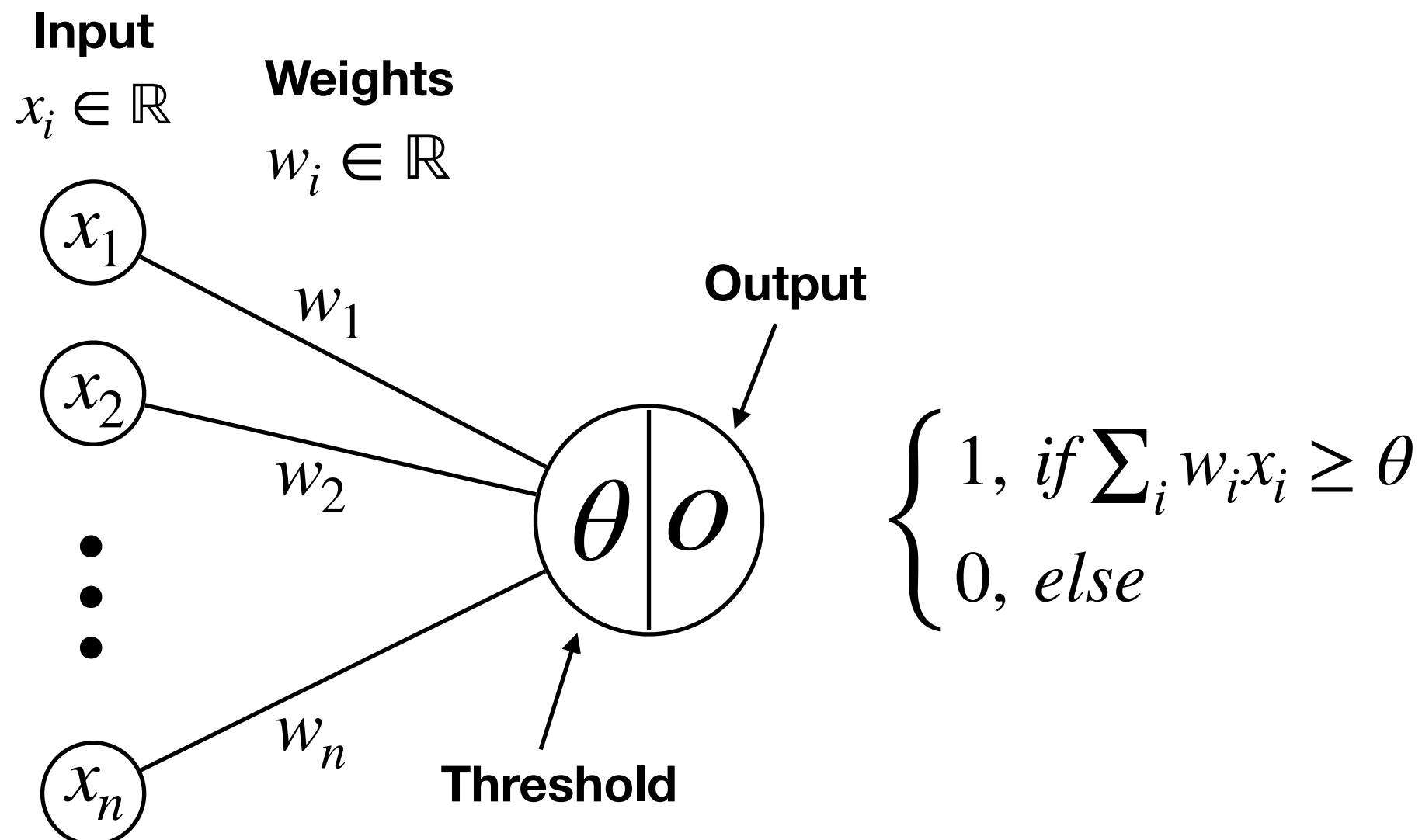
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An even more general model for neural information processing! [fr]

Allows for real-valued inputs and weights!



Frank Rosenblatt



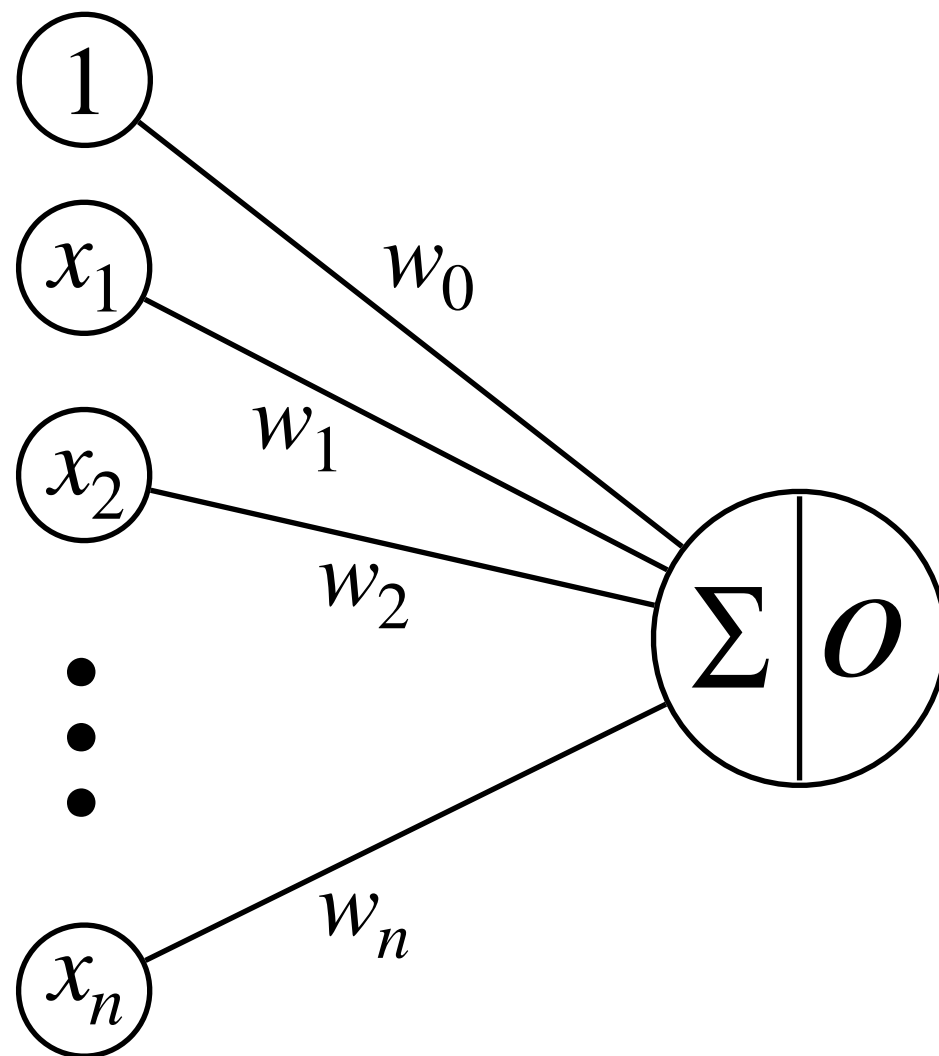
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Now we turn the threshold into a bias!

$$w_1x_1 + \dots + w_nx_n \geq \theta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w_1x_1 + \dots + w_nx_n - \theta \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow w_1x_1 + \dots + w_nx_n + w_0x_0 \geq 0 \quad (w_0 = -\theta, x_0 = 1)$$

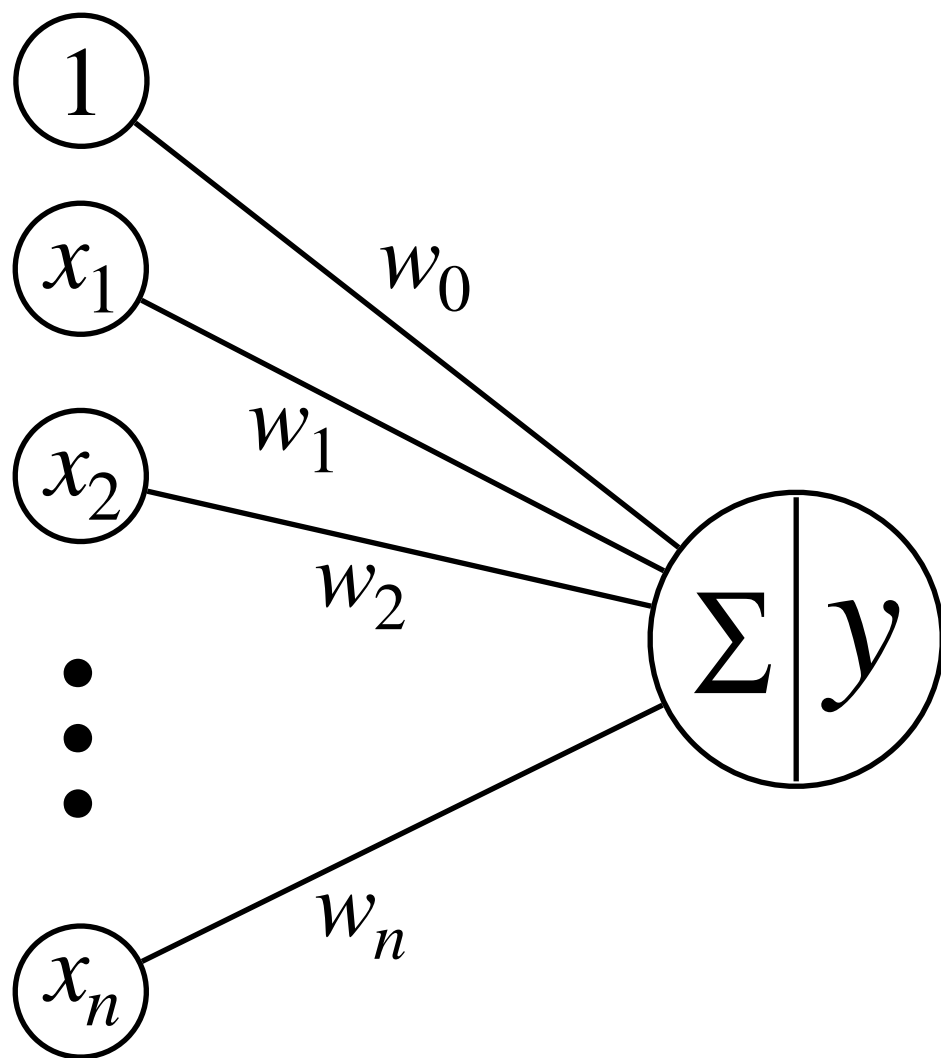


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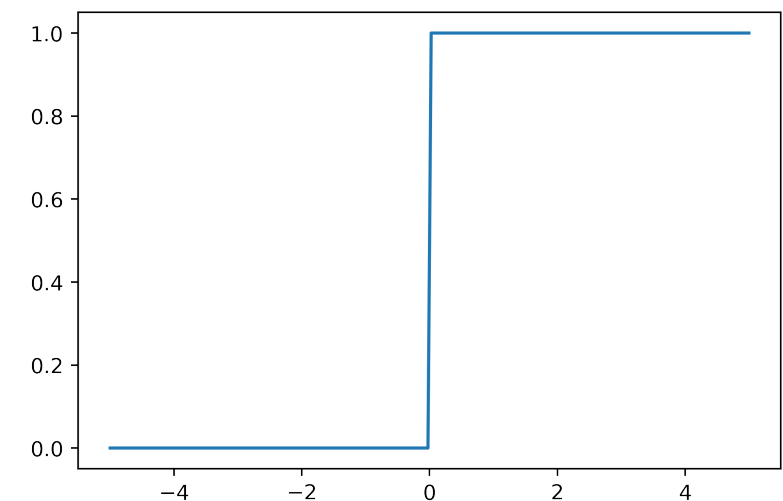
Allows us to make this  
even more beautiful  
simplification.

# Perceptron

Also this allows us to introduce the notion of an activation function.



Heaviside step function



$$y = \sigma\left(\sum_i w_i x_i\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \sum_i w_i x_i \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



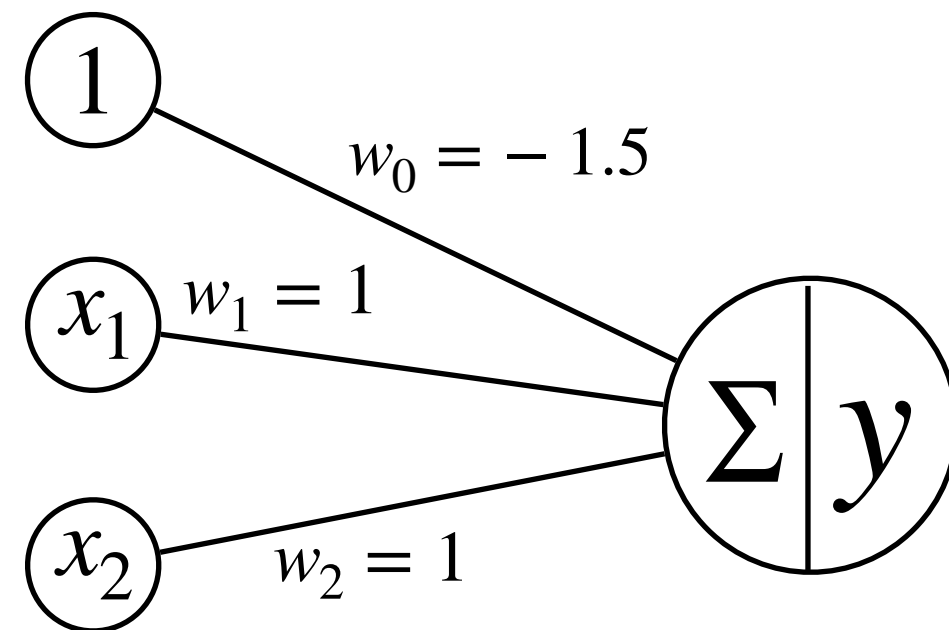
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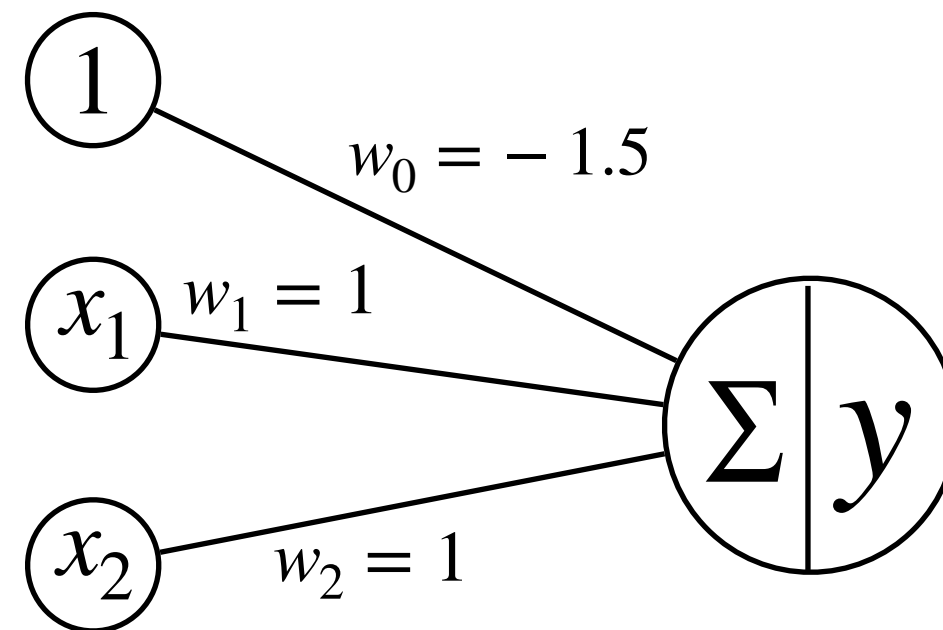
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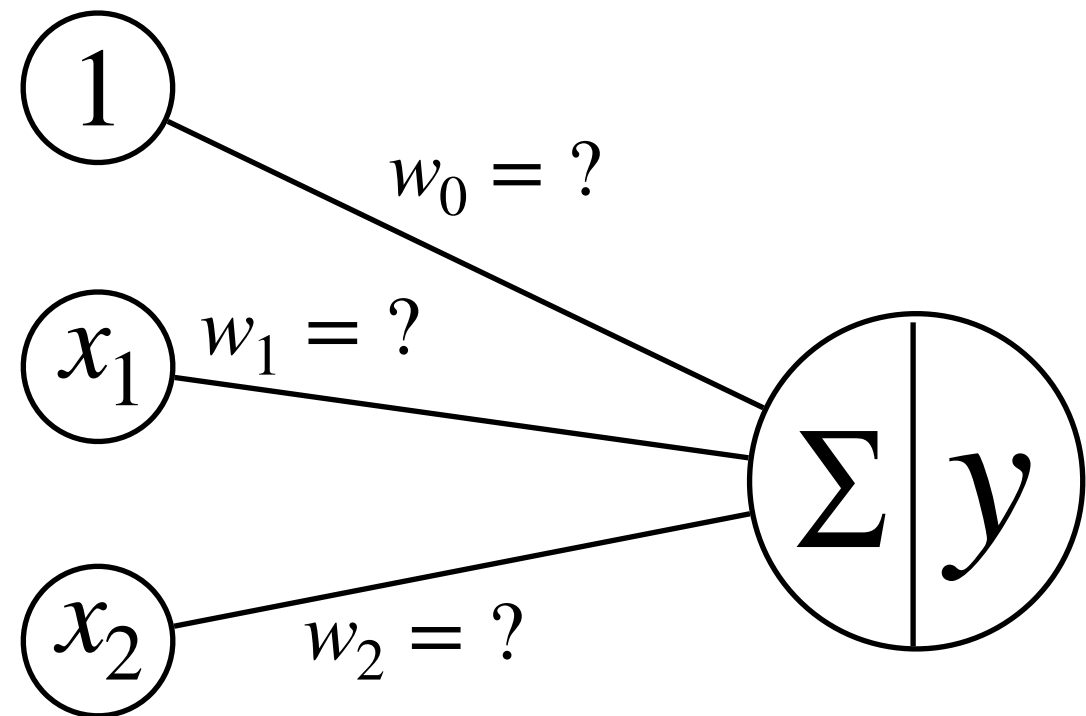
# Exercise: XOR

**Find out the weights to implement an XOR gate.**

If you know the answer please let your fellow students work it out themselves!

**Logical XOR**

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_1 \oplus x_2$
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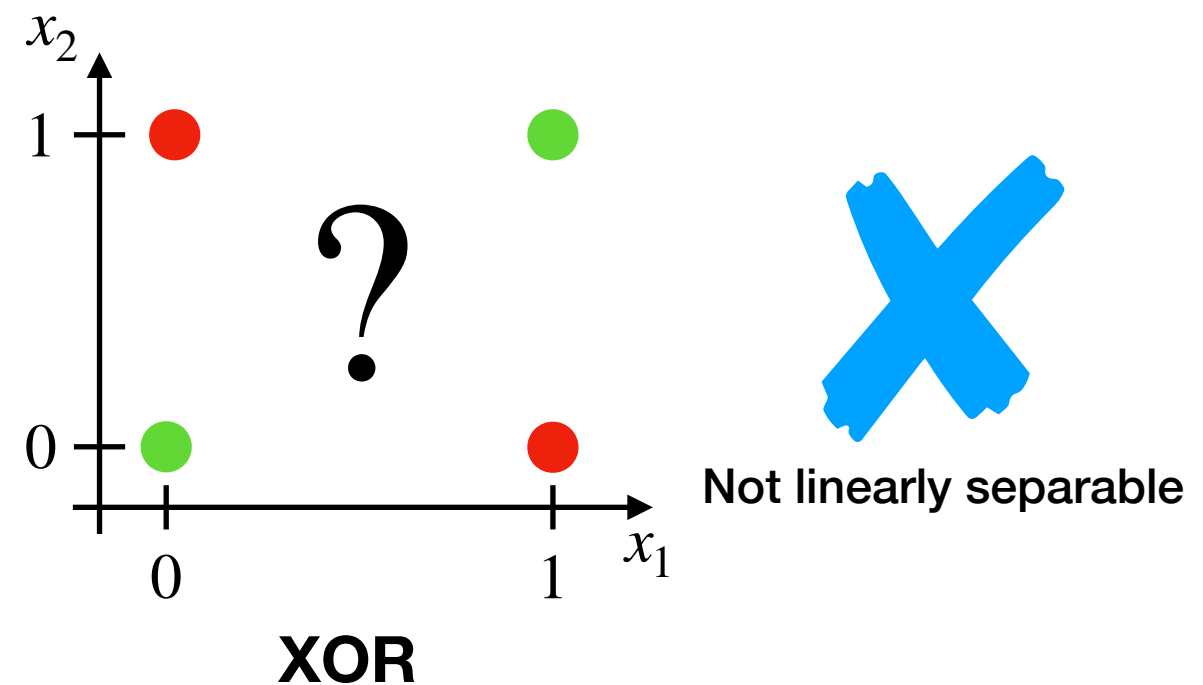
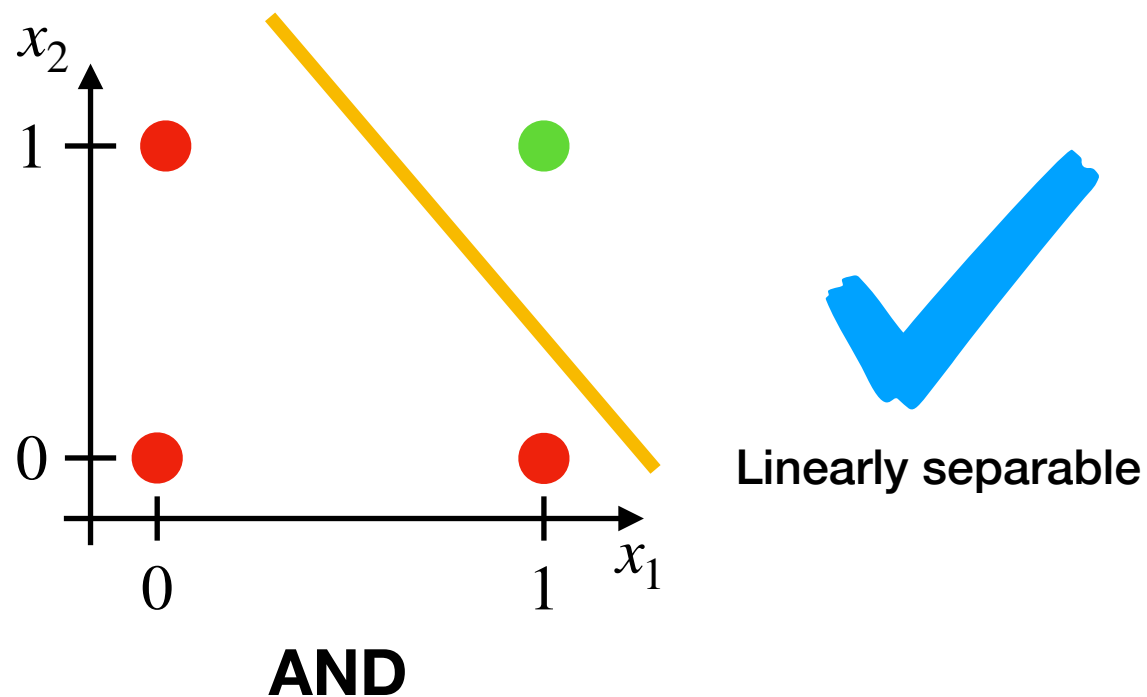
# Exercise: XOR

- The answer is that a perceptron is not able to implement an XOR gate.
- Famously published in *Perceptrons: An introduction to computational geometry* (Minsky & Papert) [mp]
- Why? Simply put, because a perceptron can only solve linear problems.



Marvin Minsky & Seymour Papert

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# Perceptron

- Why can the perceptron only solve linear problems?
- A perceptron implements the following equation:

$$w_0 + w_1x_1 + \dots + w_nx_n = 0 \quad \text{(asking whether it's larger or smaller than 0)}$$

- Let's simplify for three inputs!

$$w_0 + w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 = 0$$

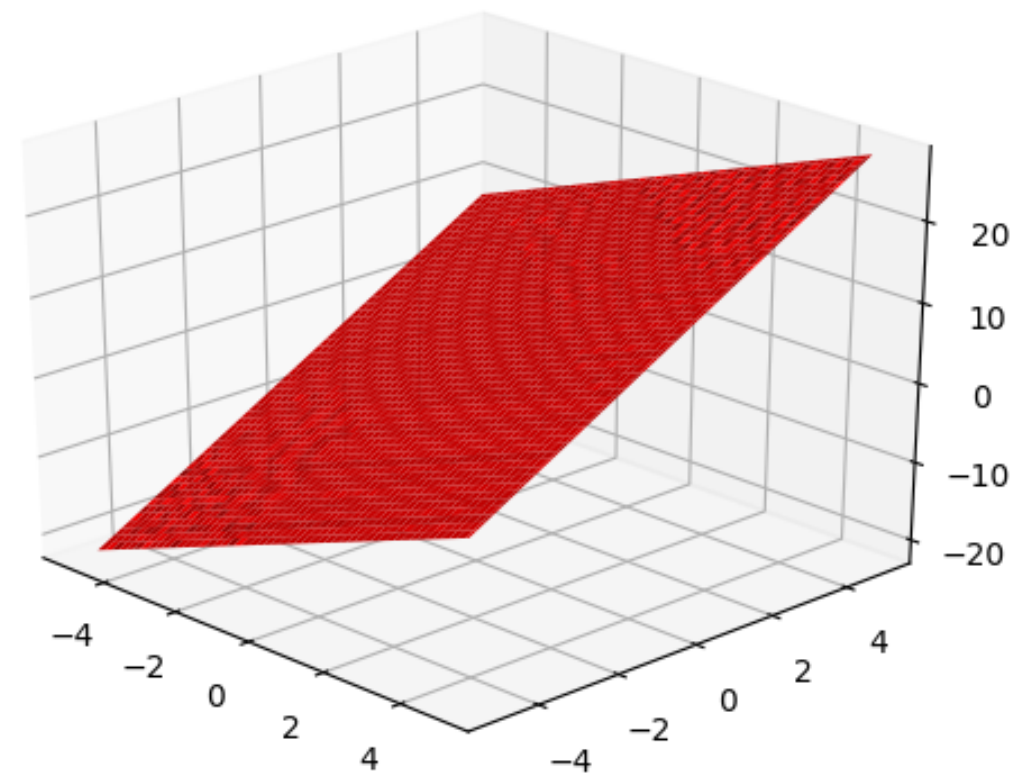
$$w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 = -w_0$$

**Does this remember you of anything? Think high-school math!**

# Hyperplanes

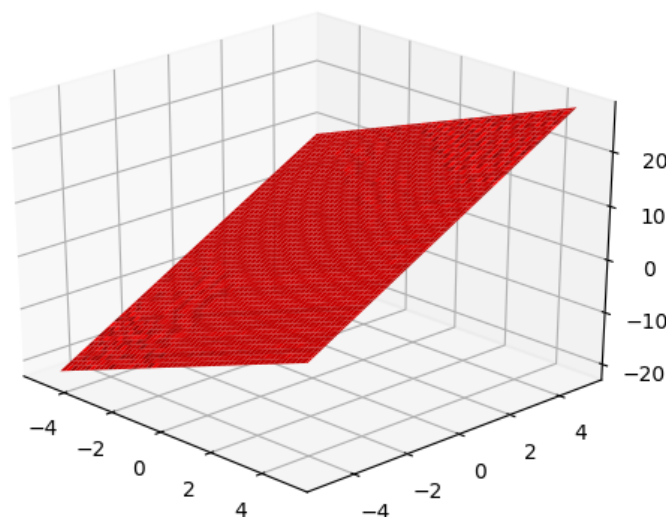
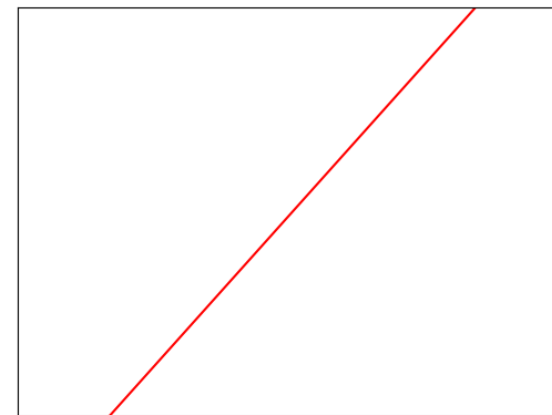
Maybe in this form?  $ax + by + cz = d$

**This equation is used to  
define a 2D plane in a 3D  
space!**



# Hyperplanes

In general an equation of the form  $w_0 + w_1x_1 + \dots + w_nx_n = 0$  always implements a hyperplane in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . A hyperplane is a plane, which has one dimension less than the space it is embedded in and therefore linearly separates the space into two parts.



# Perceptron Learning



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- The great deal about the perceptron was, that it was able to learn completely autonomous from given data.
- Many thought that it was the big breakthrough for AI!

***NEW NAVY DEVICE LEARNS BY DOING; Psychologist Shows Embryo of Computer Designed to Read and Grow Wiser***

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JULY 8, 1958



*“The Navy revealed the embryo of an electronic computer today that it expects will be able to walk, talk, see, write, reproduce itself and be conscious of its existence ... Dr. Frank Rosenblatt, a research psychologist at the Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory, Buffalo, said Perceptrons might be fired to the planets as mechanical space explorers”*

# Perceptron Learning Rule

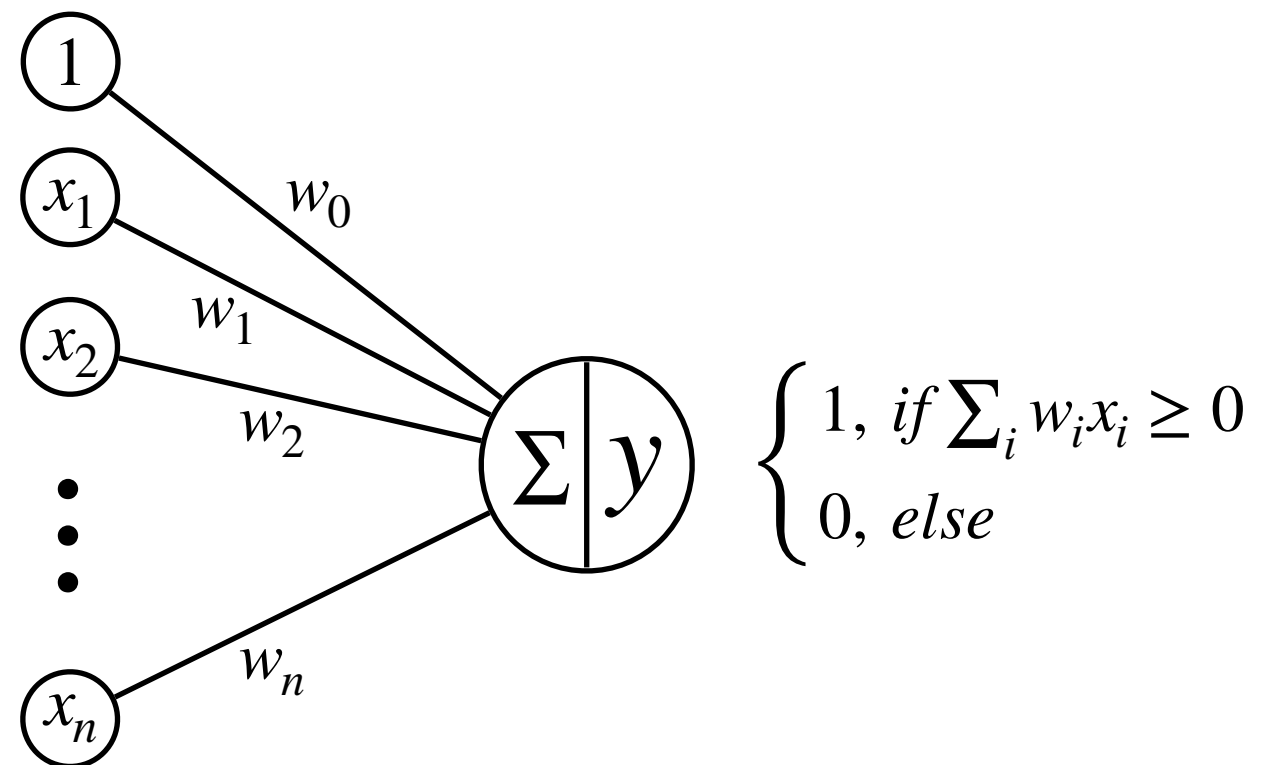
- It is based on one simple learning rule.
- Given a data sample  $(\vec{x}, t)$  consisting of input  $\vec{x}$  and label  $t$ , the update is defined by

$$w_i^{new} = w_i^{old} + \Delta w_i$$

$$\Delta w_i = \alpha * (t - y) * x_i$$

Learning rate

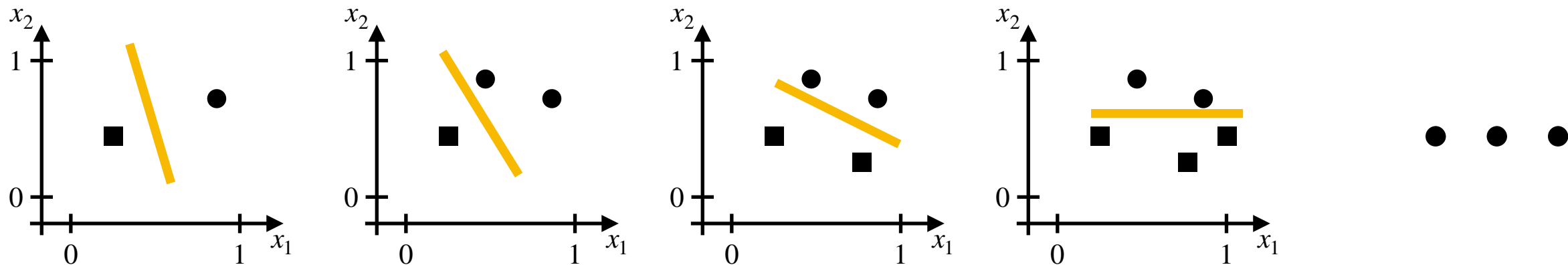
Error



# Perceptron Learning Rule

- This simple learning rule allows the perceptron to slowly adapt its hyperplane to separate the one class from the other.

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# Multi-Layer Perceptron

# Exercise: Solving XOR with Perceptrons

- Research on perceptron died because they were not able to solve non-linear problems as XOR.
- But maybe there is a way nevertheless?

**Hint:**  $x_1 \oplus x_2 \Leftrightarrow (x_1 \wedge \neg x_2) \vee (\neg x_1 \wedge x_2)$

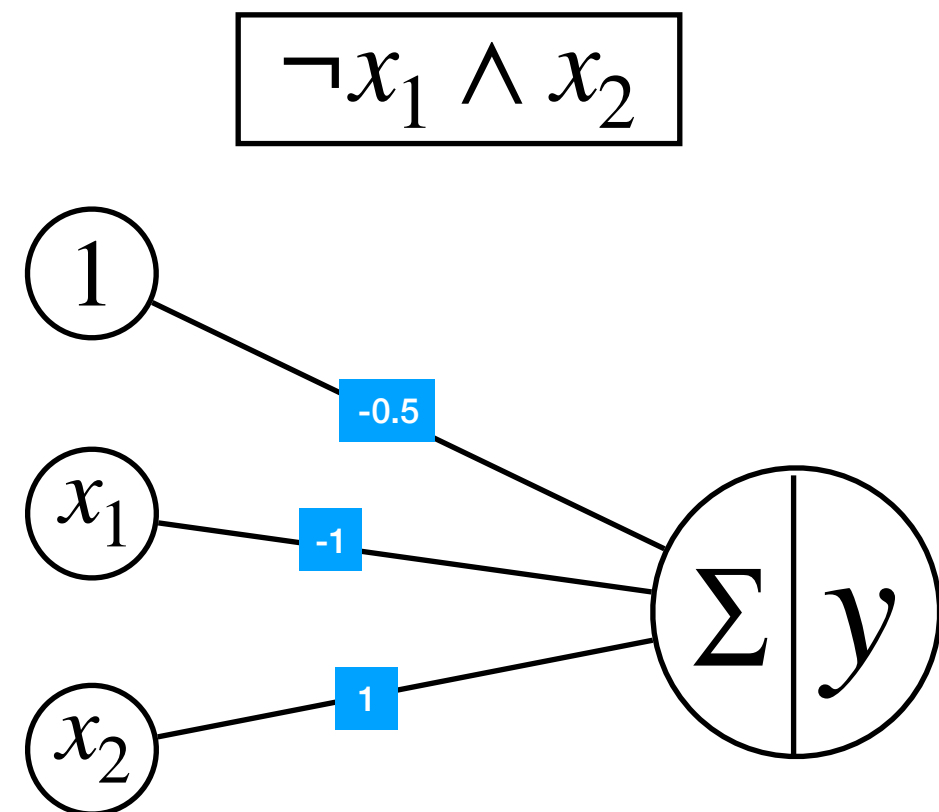
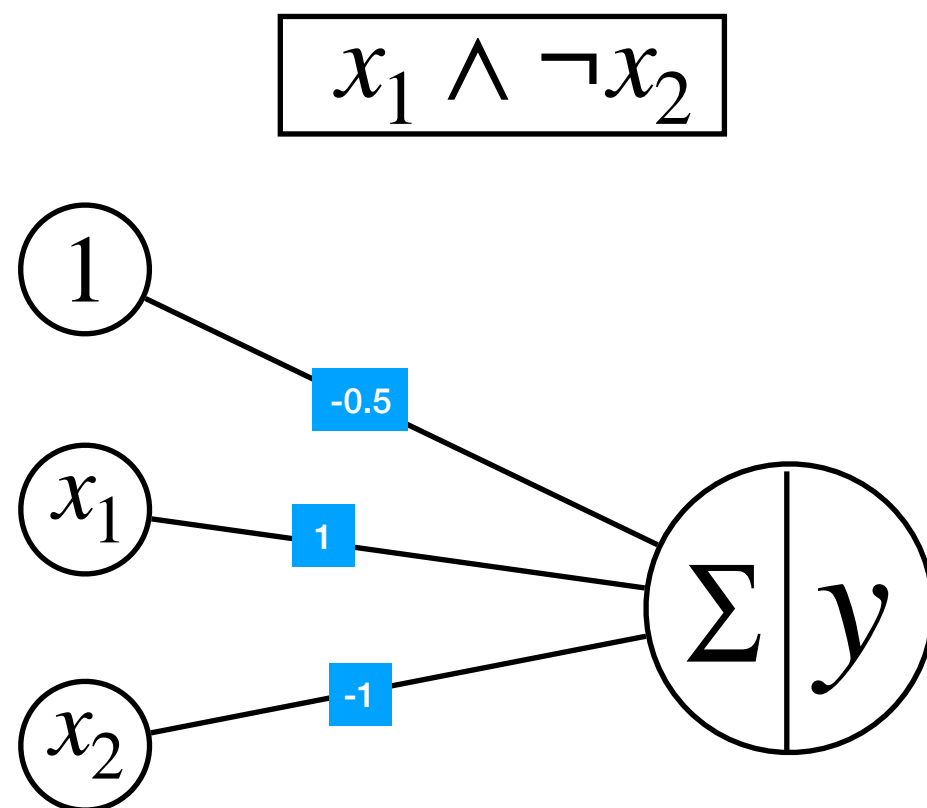
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- Indeed you can solve it by introducing multiple stacked perceptrons, a so called multi-layer perceptron.

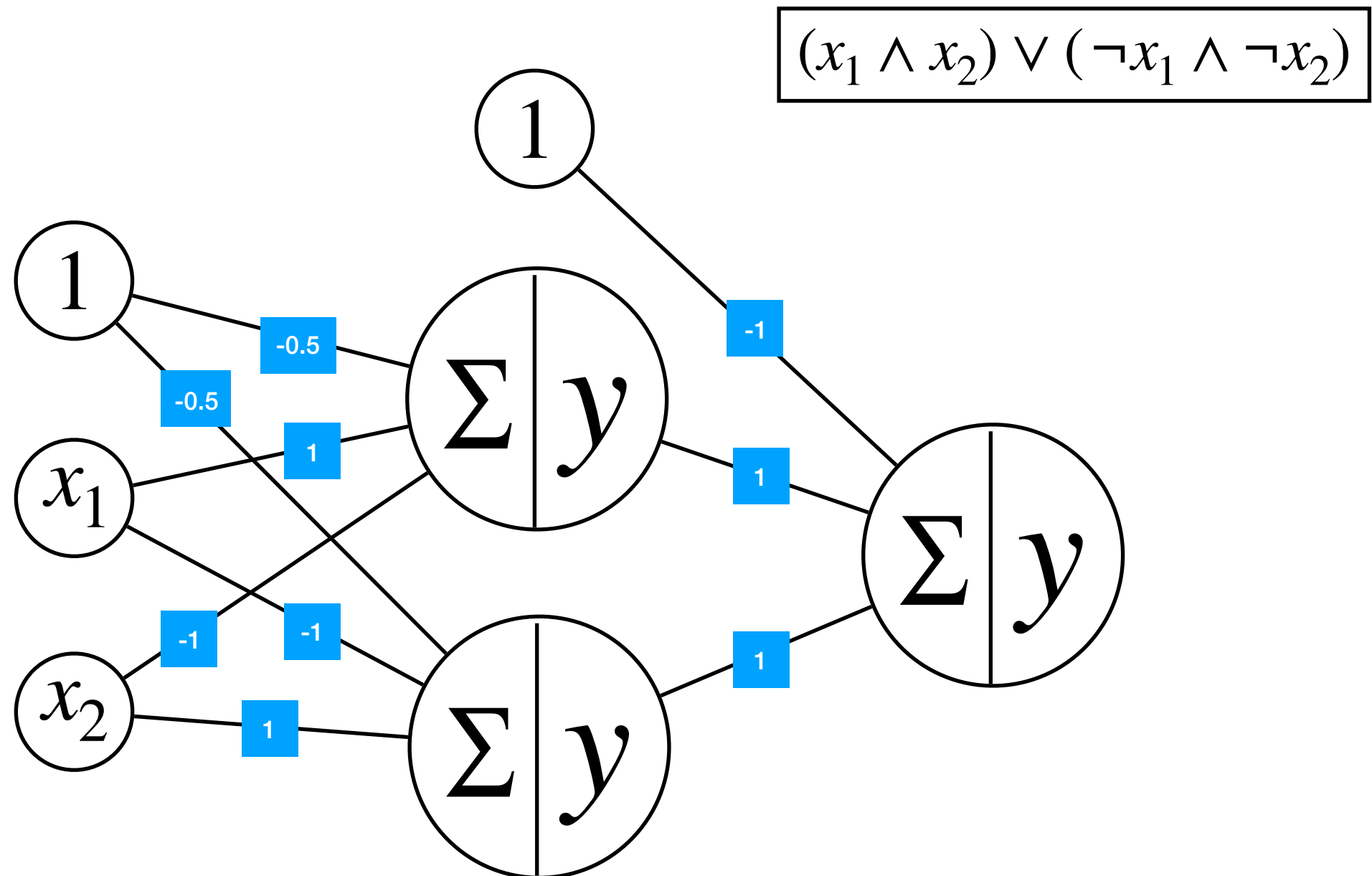
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- First we implement the both AND gates.



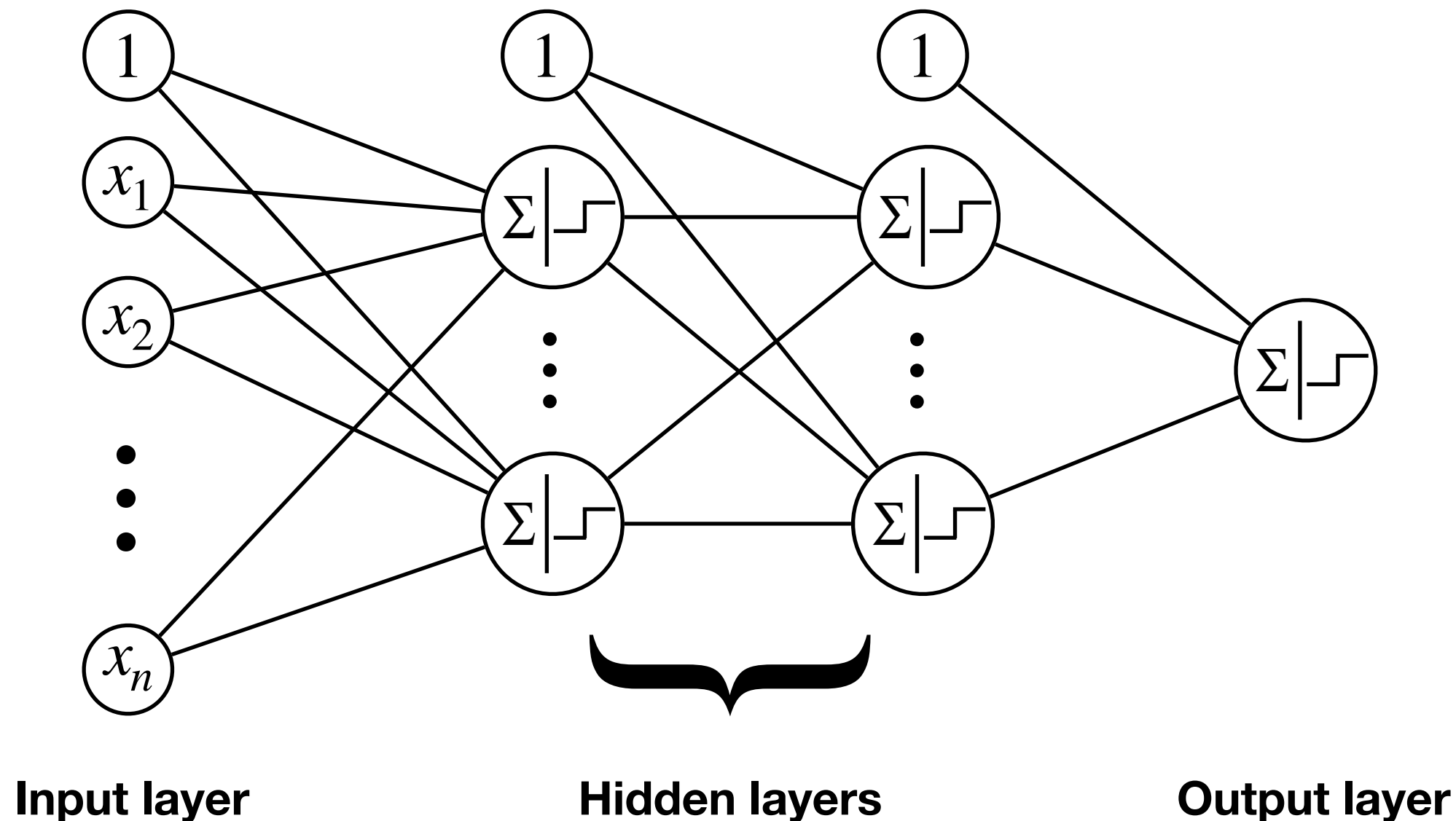
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And now we connect the outputs with a new perceptron implementing an OR gate.



# Multi-Layer Perceptron

Stacking multiple perceptrons onto one another gives us a so called multi-layer perceptron (MLP).

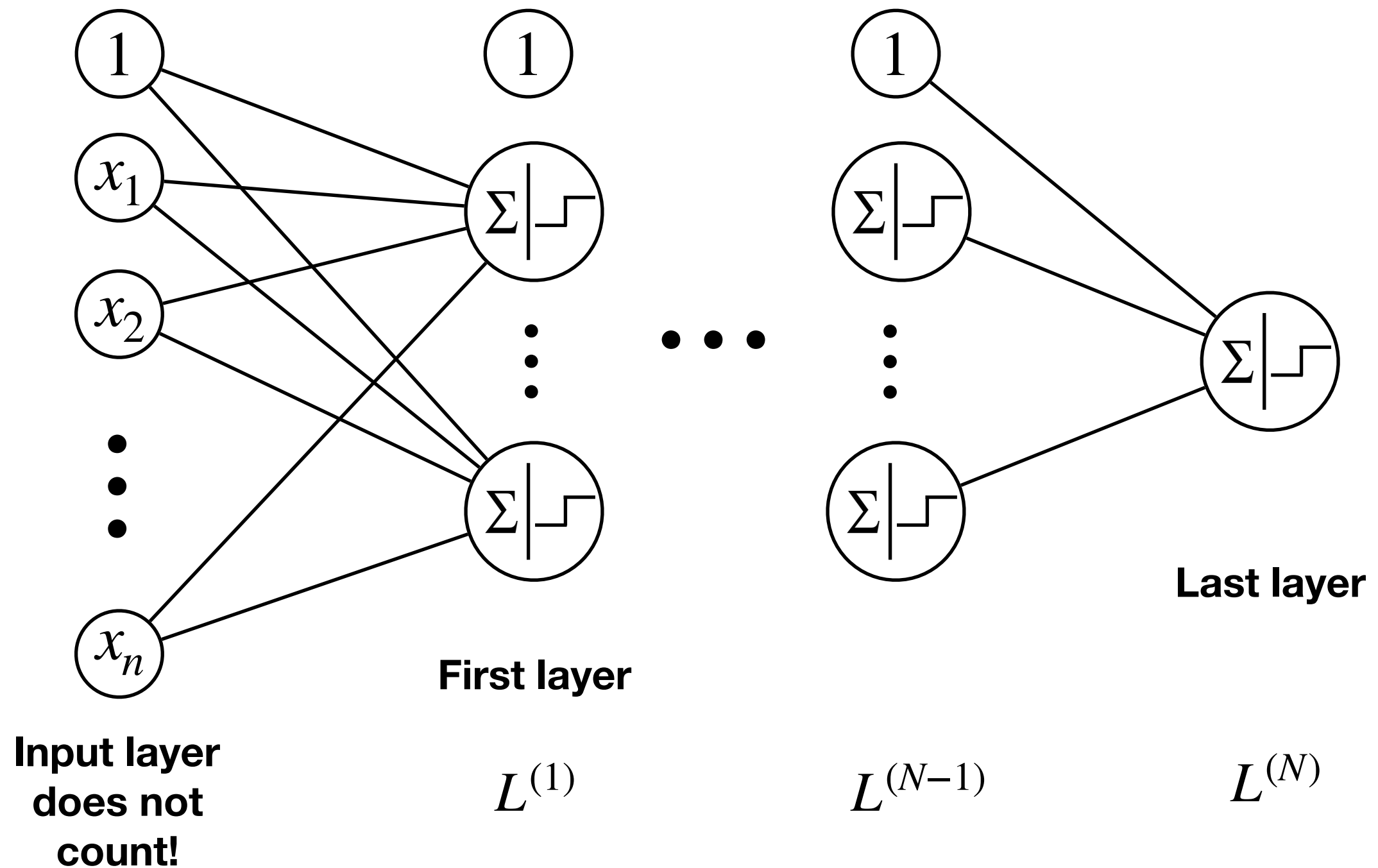




# MLP Notations

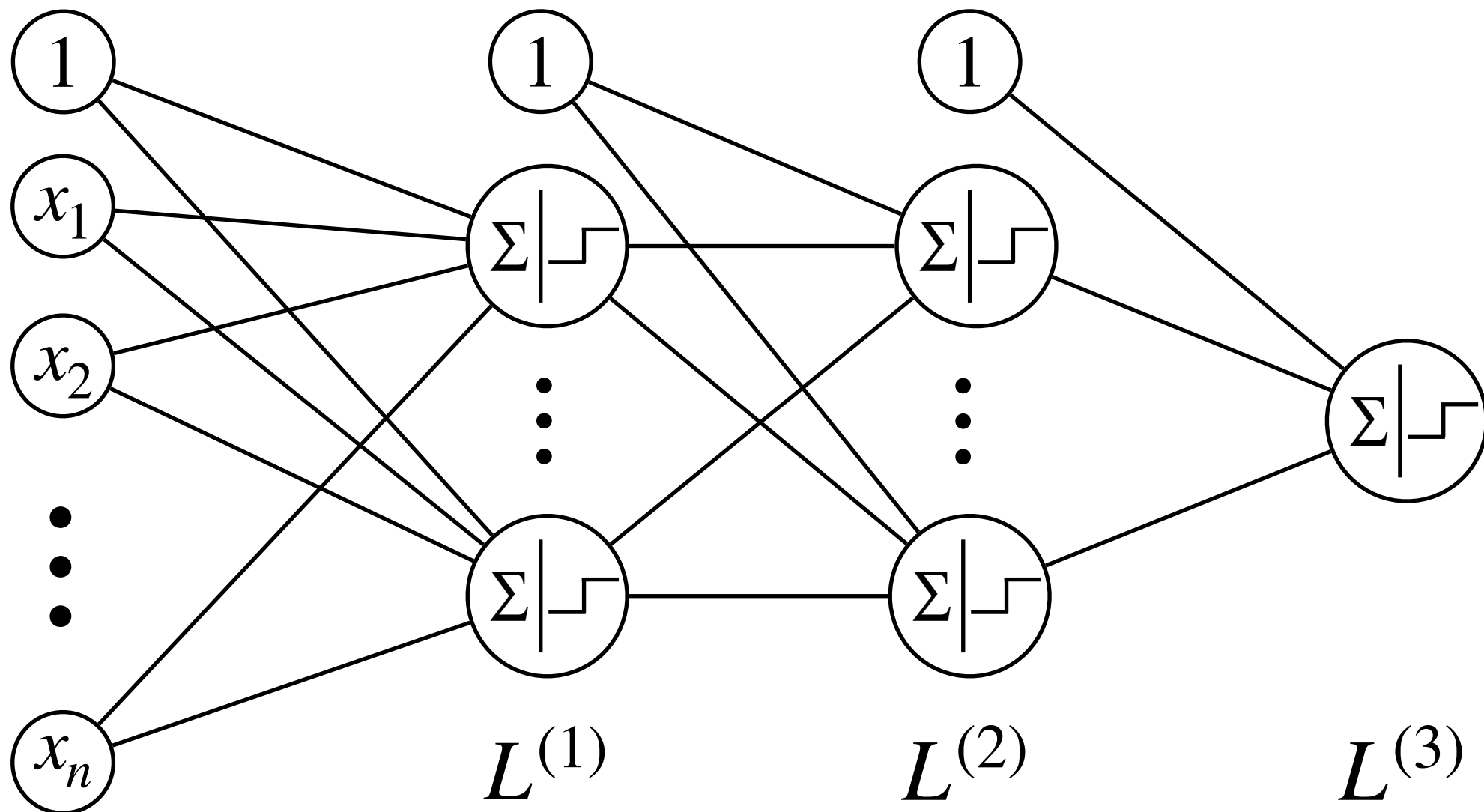
# Layers

Notations in ANNs are not fixed and this is only one particular choice!



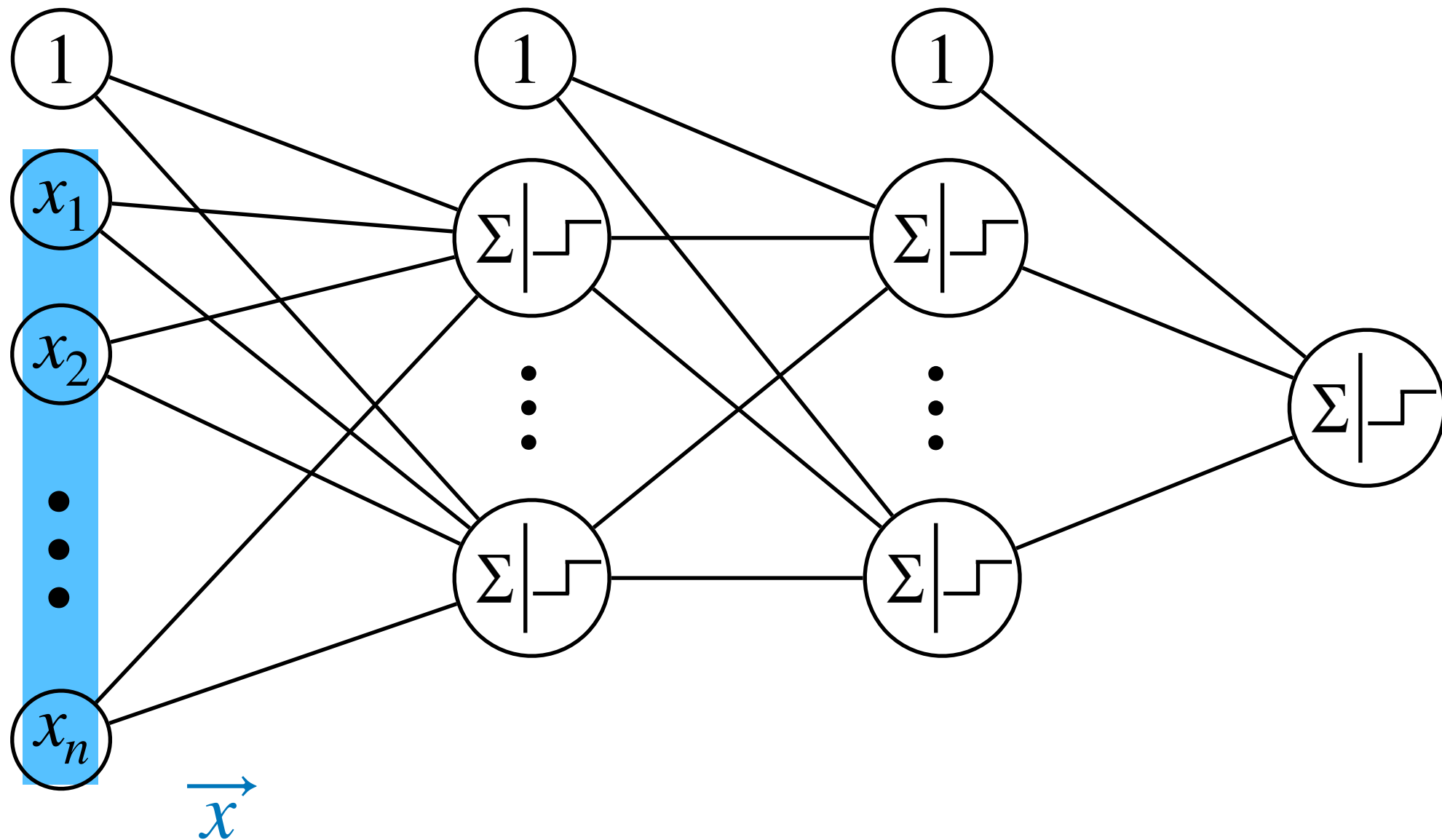
# Layers

**A network with three layers.**



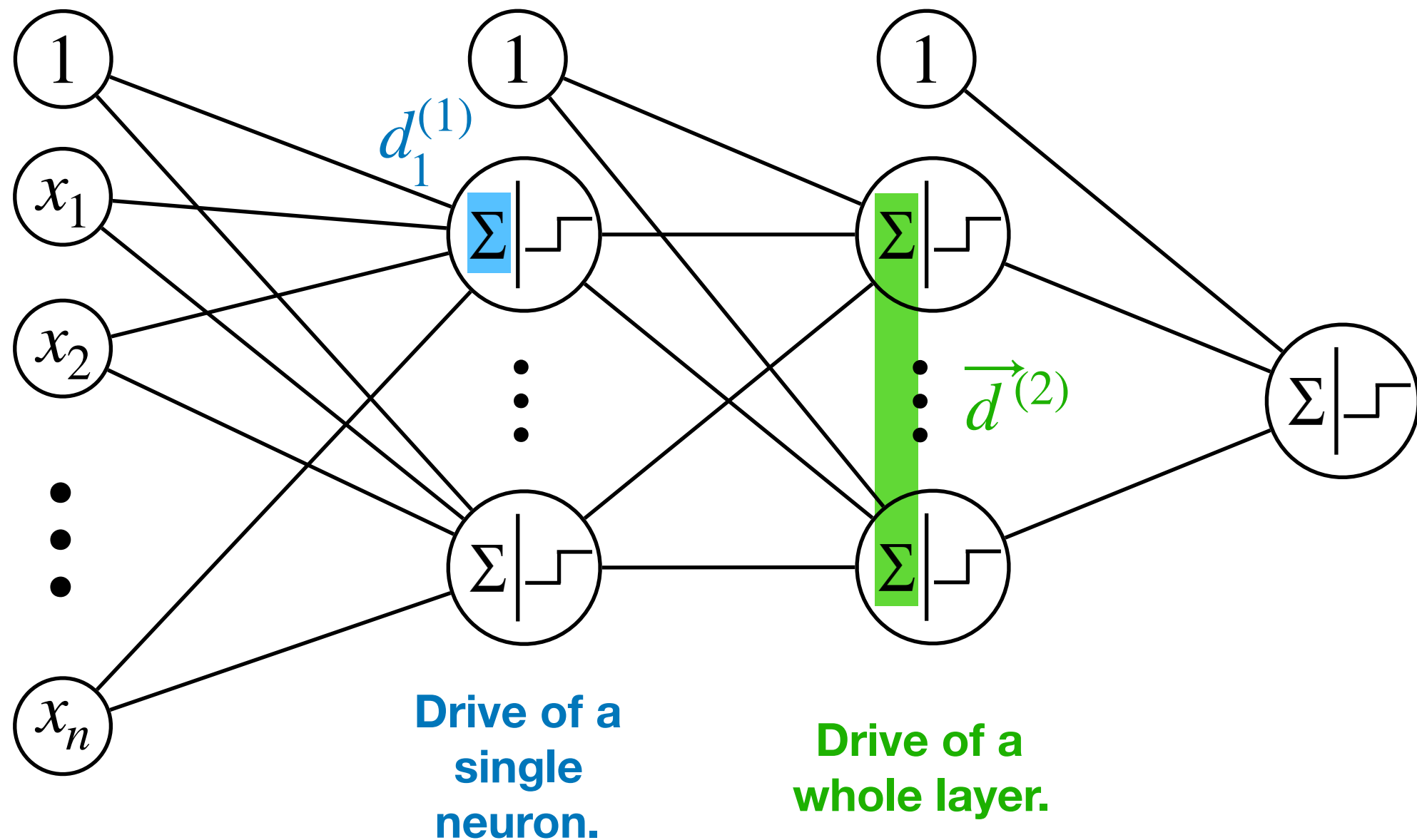
# Input

The input to the network is called the input.



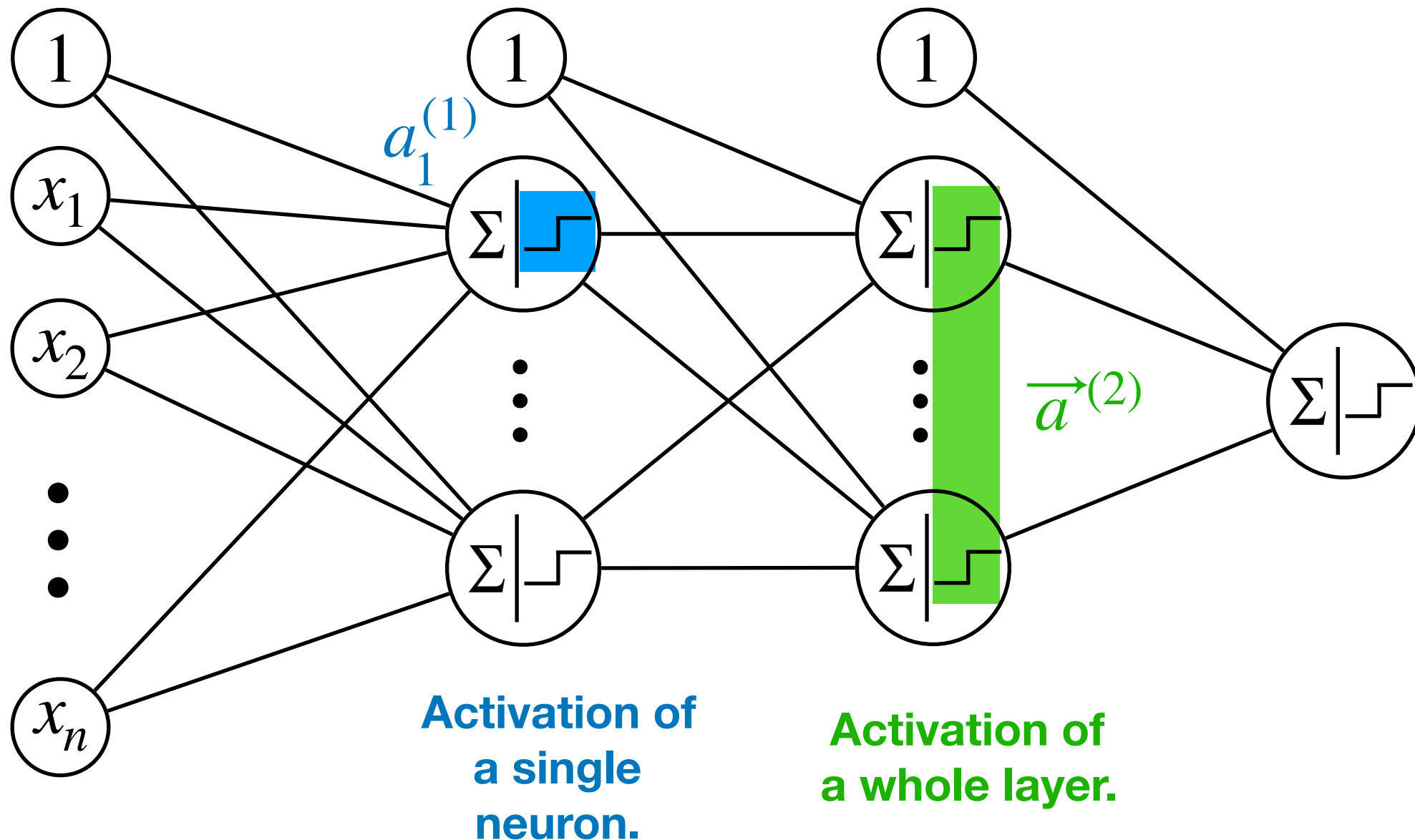
# Drive

The input that a neuron receives is called the neuron's drive.



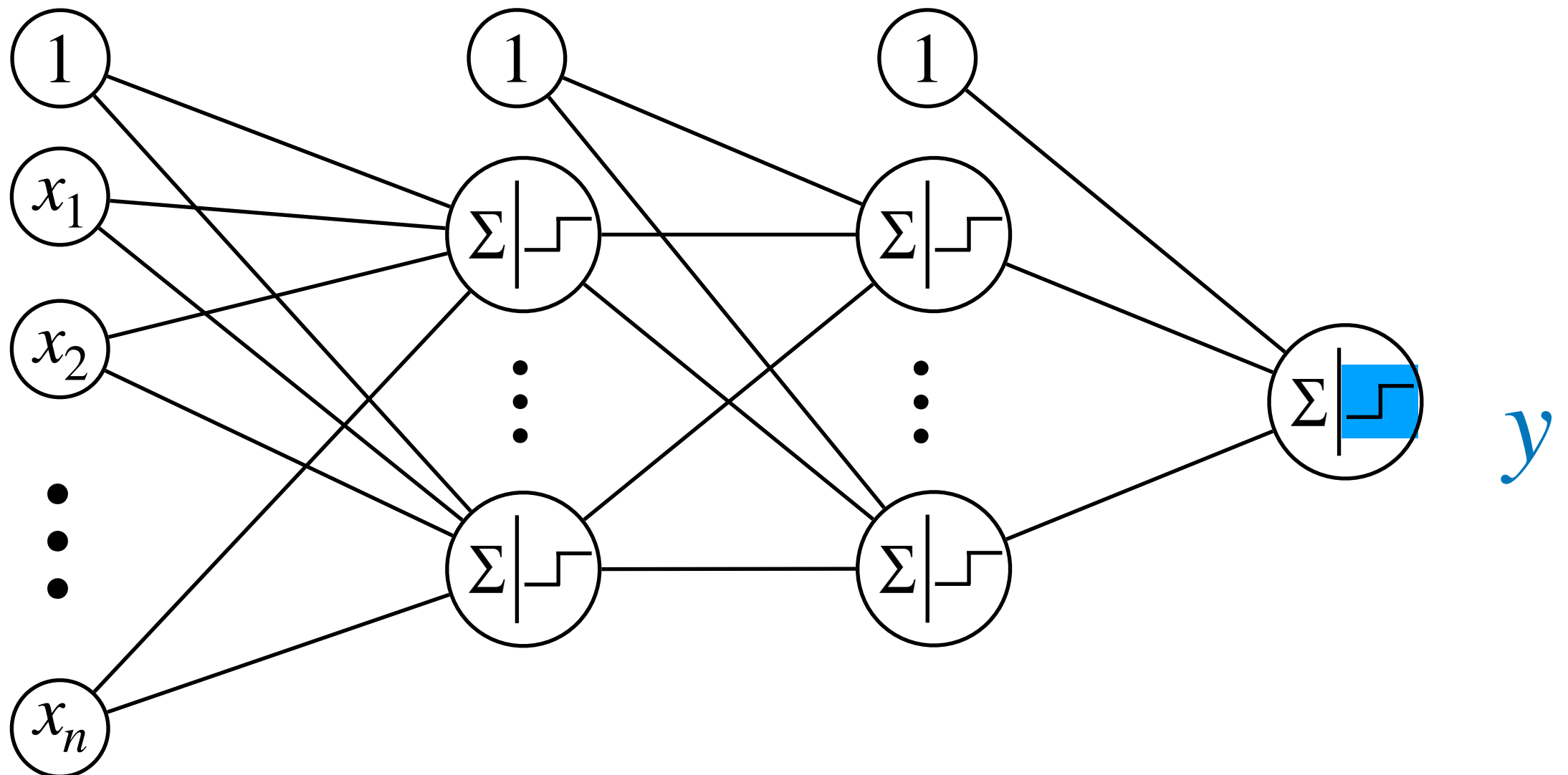
# Activation

The output of a neuron in a hidden layer is called the neuron's activation.



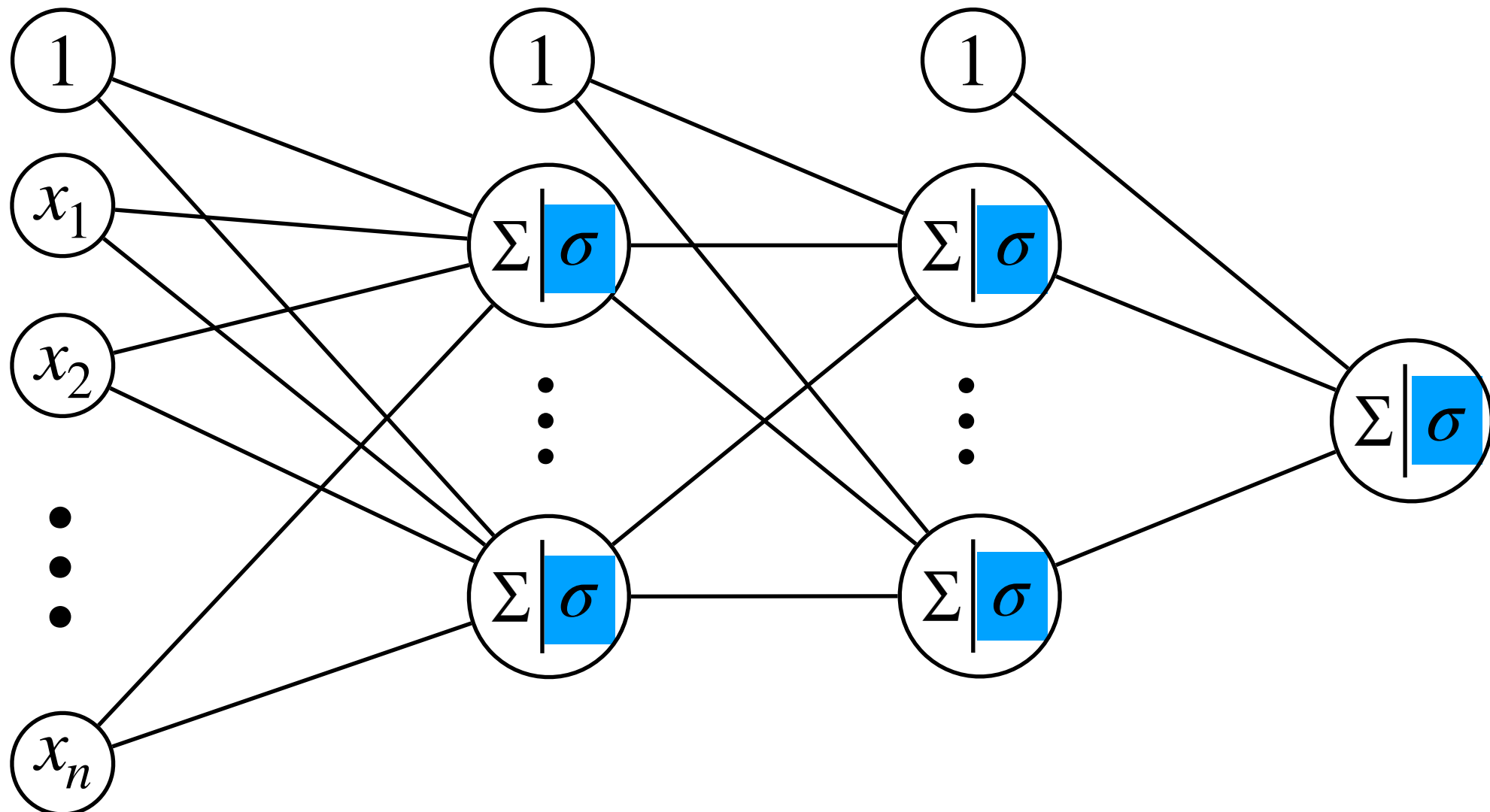
# Output

The activation of the neurons in the last layer is called the network's output.



# Activation Function

The activation function can be different from the step function, thus we generalize the notation to  $\sigma(x)$ .

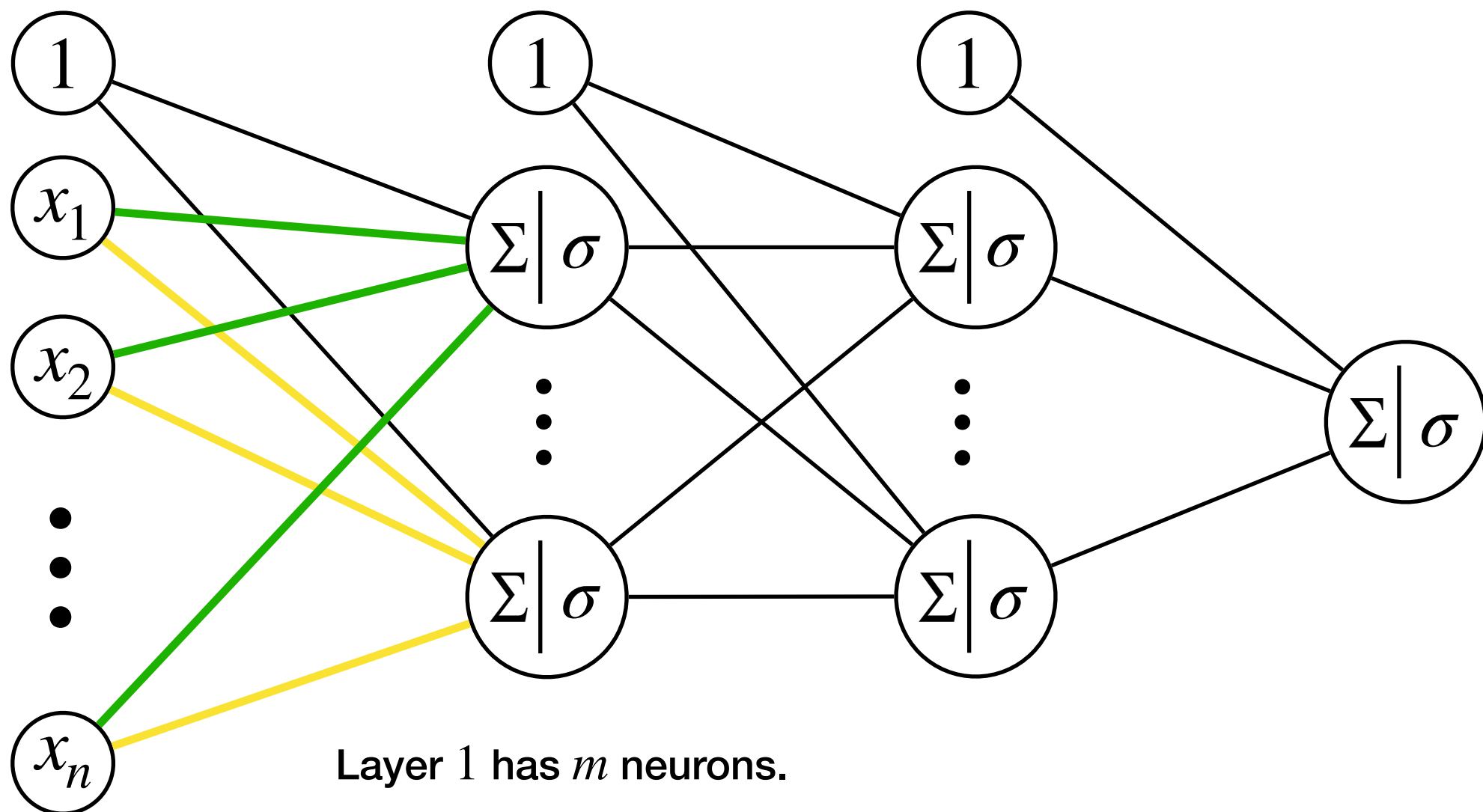




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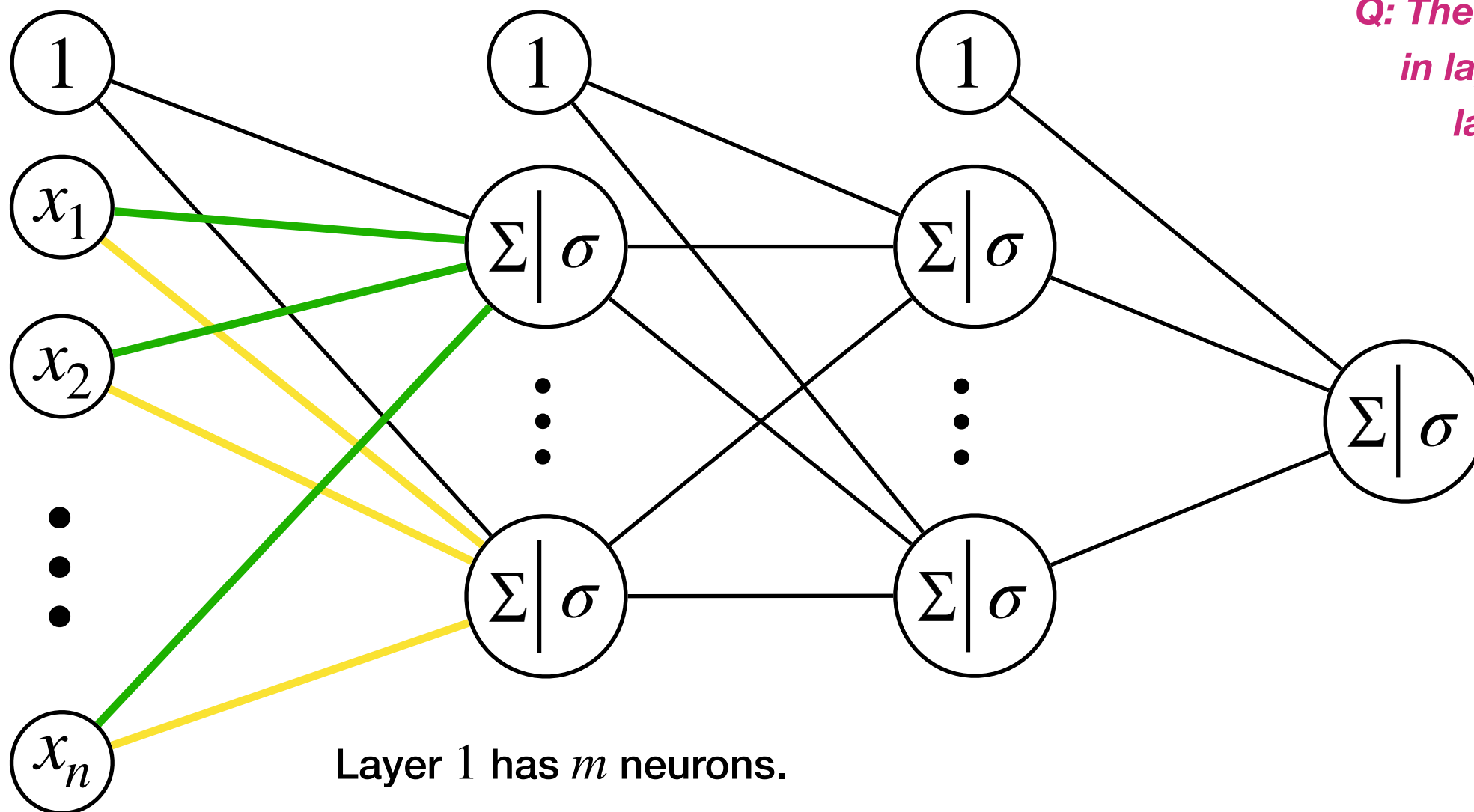
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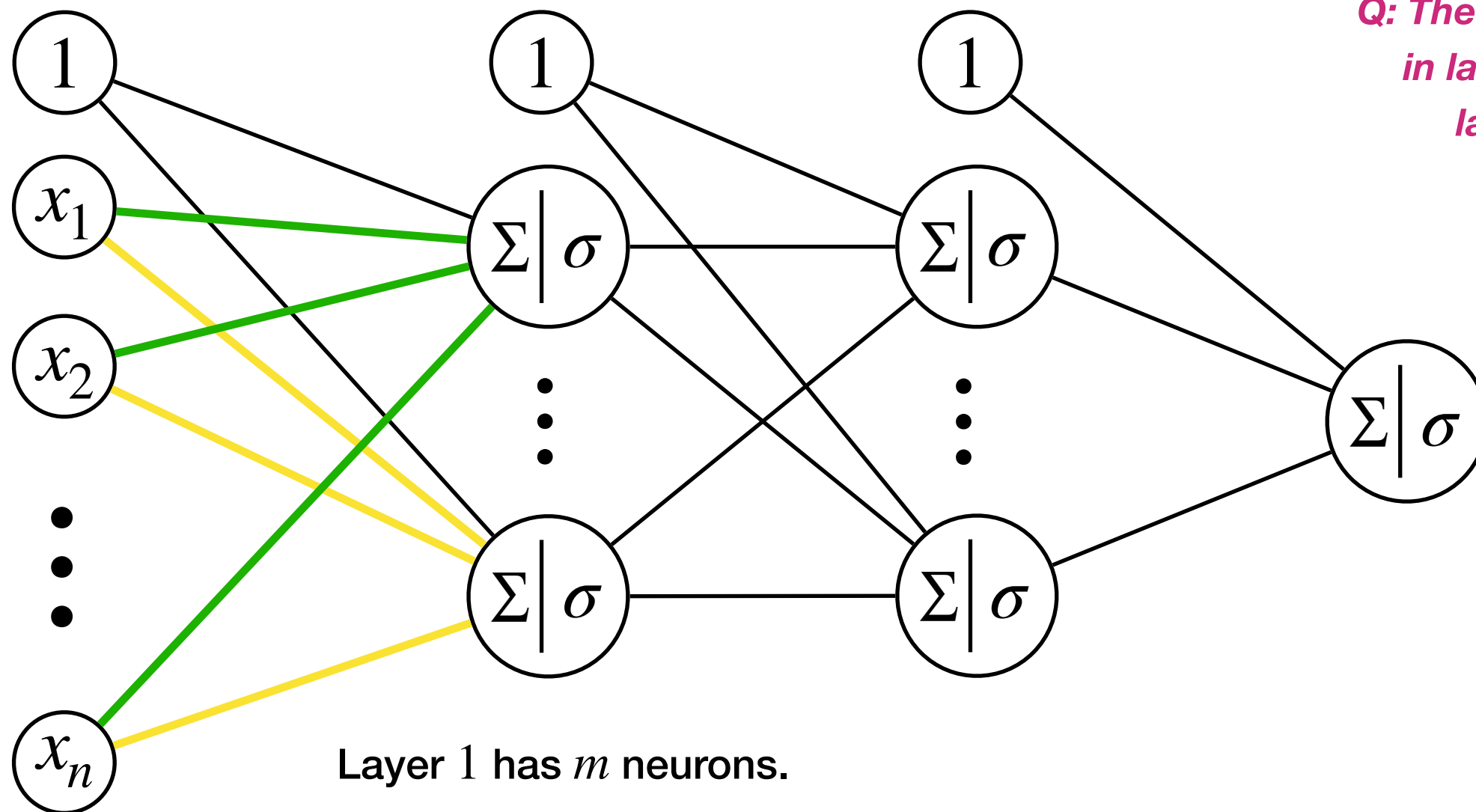


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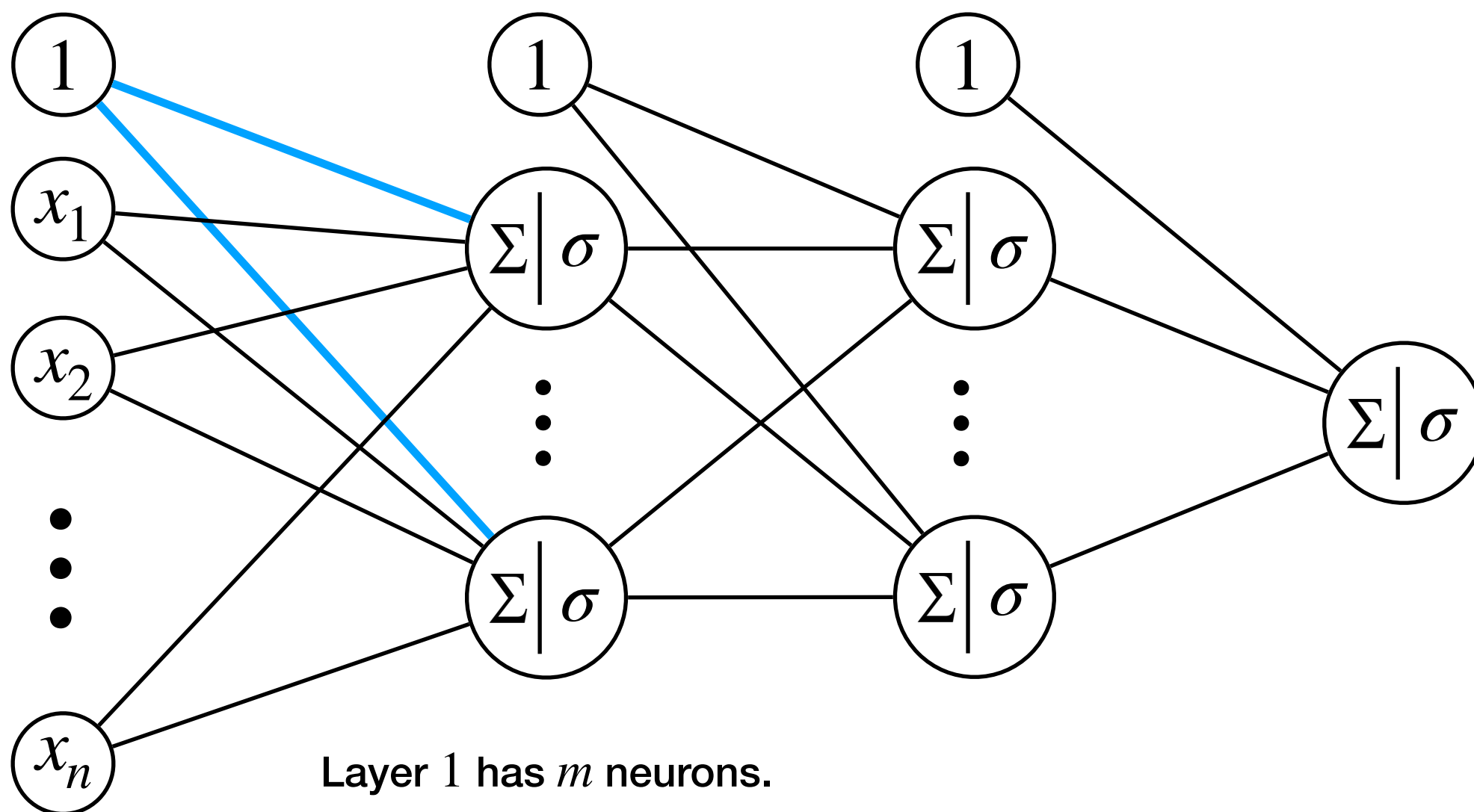
$$w_{ij}^{(2)}$$

Layer 1 has  $m$  neurons.

# Bias Weights

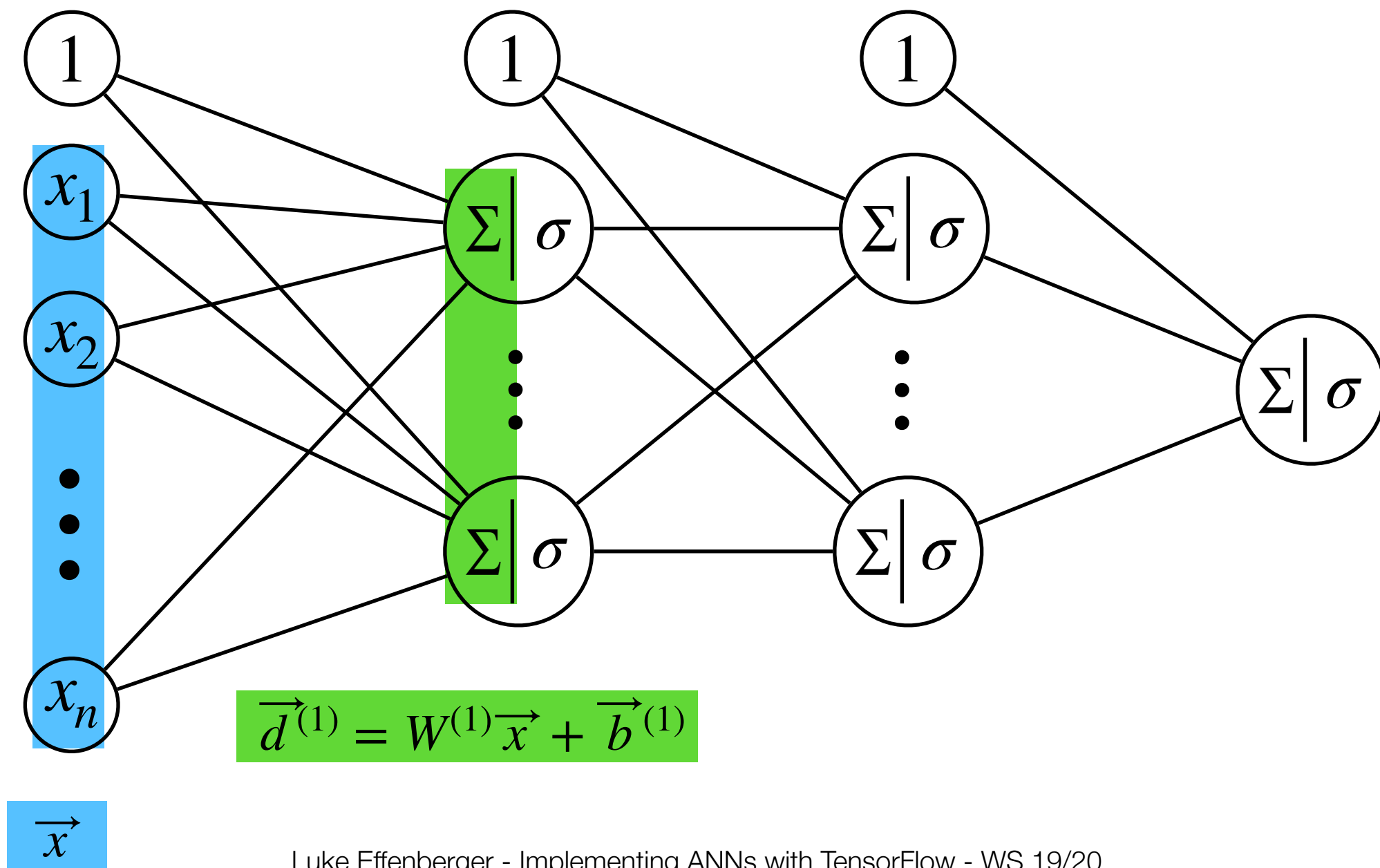
The weights that model the threshold are called the biases or bias weights.

$$\vec{b}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ b_m^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}$$



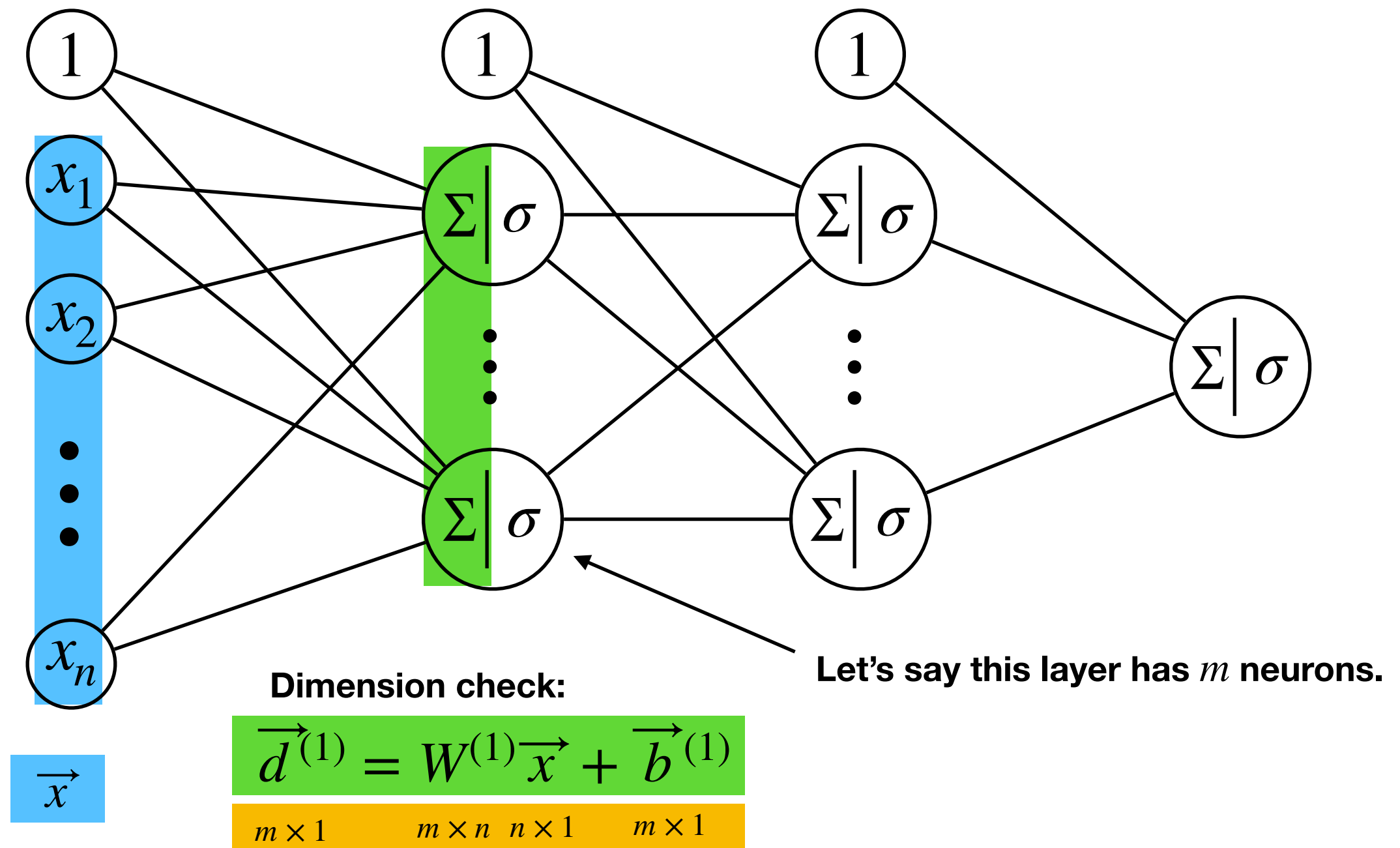
# Forward Step

- The forward step describes how the input is processed throughout the whole network.
- We can calculate the activation of all perceptrons in a hidden layer by using matrix multiplication and vector addition.



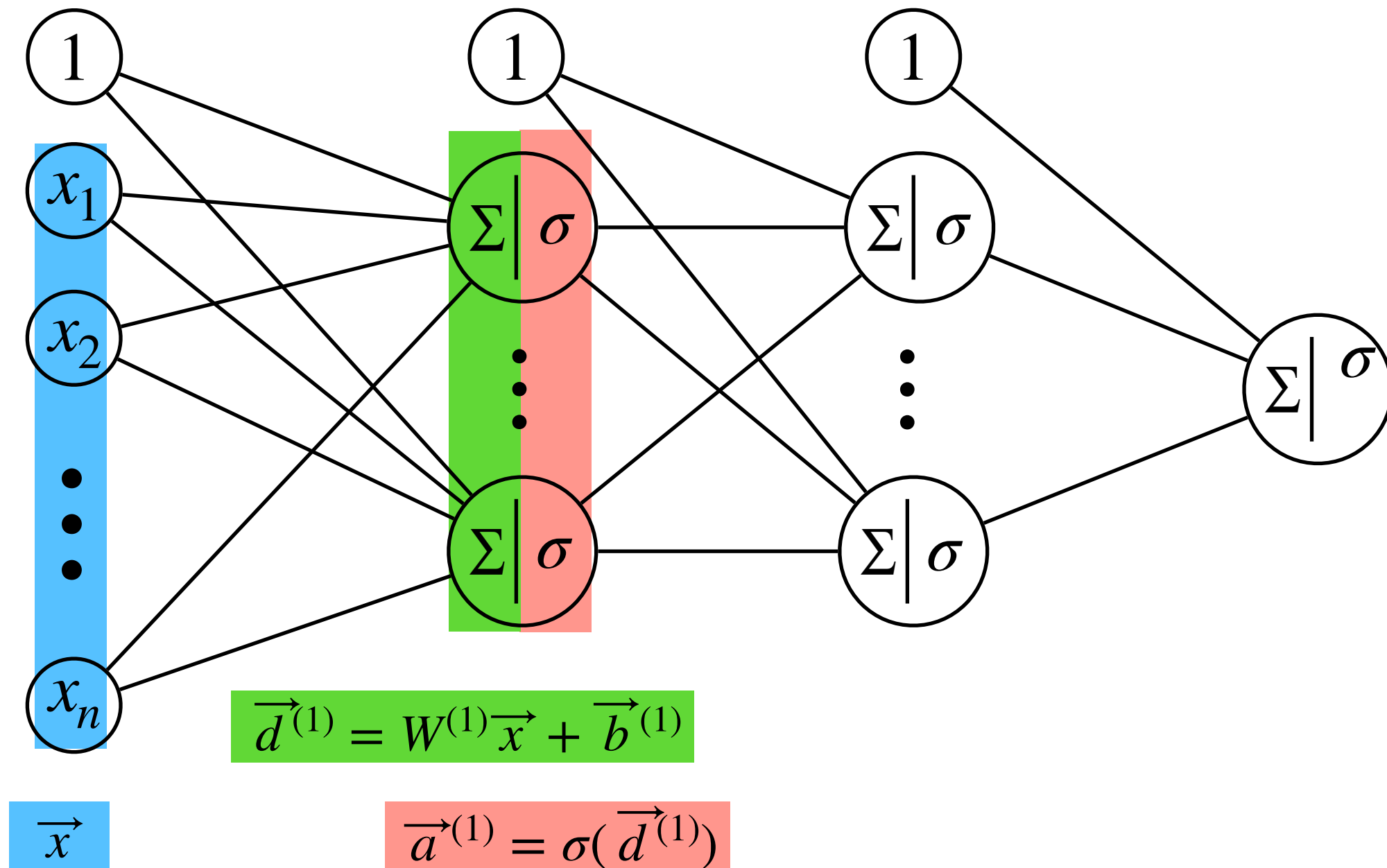
# Dimension Check

For understanding how the information is processed it is helpful to have a look of the dimensions of representations and weights.



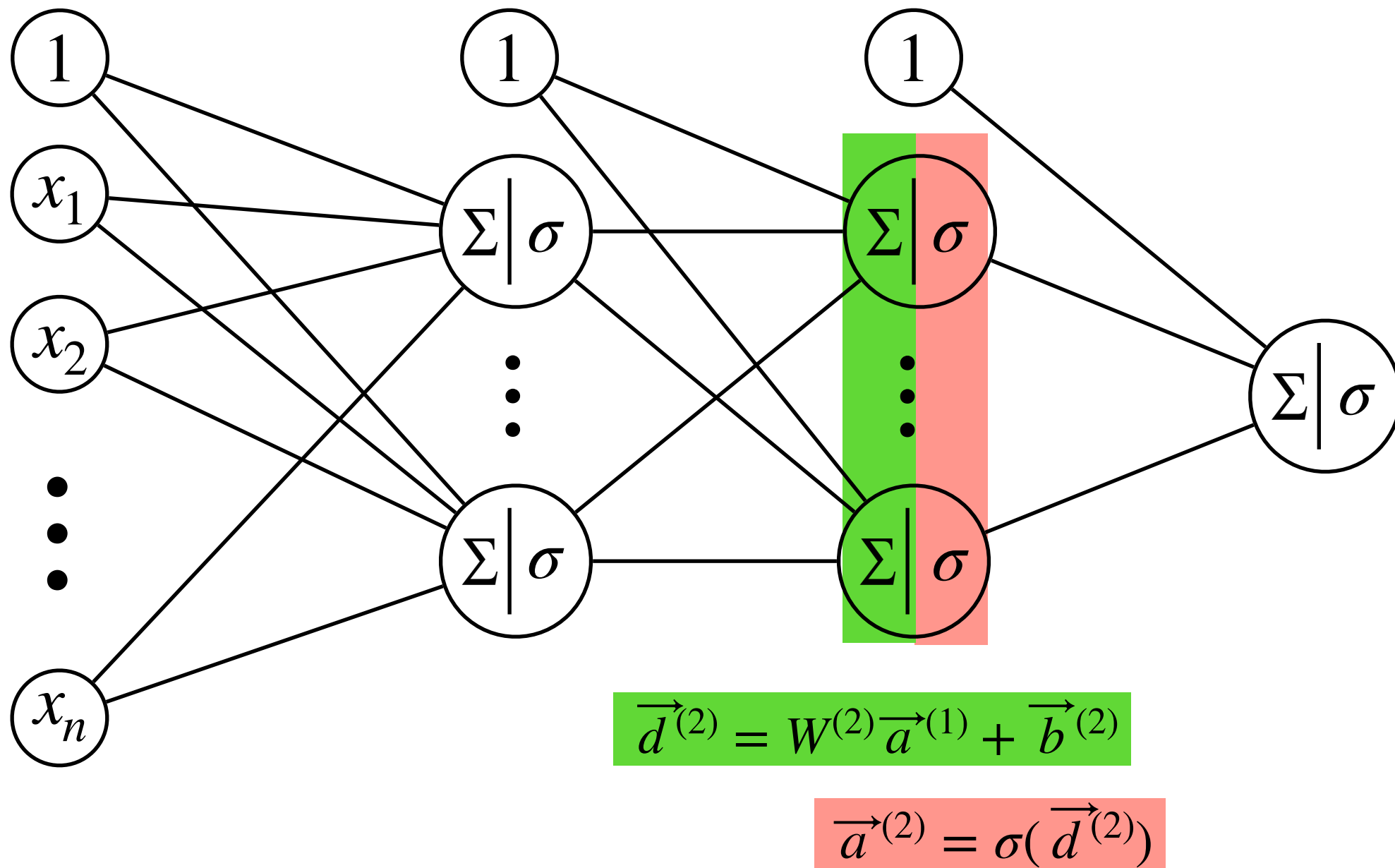
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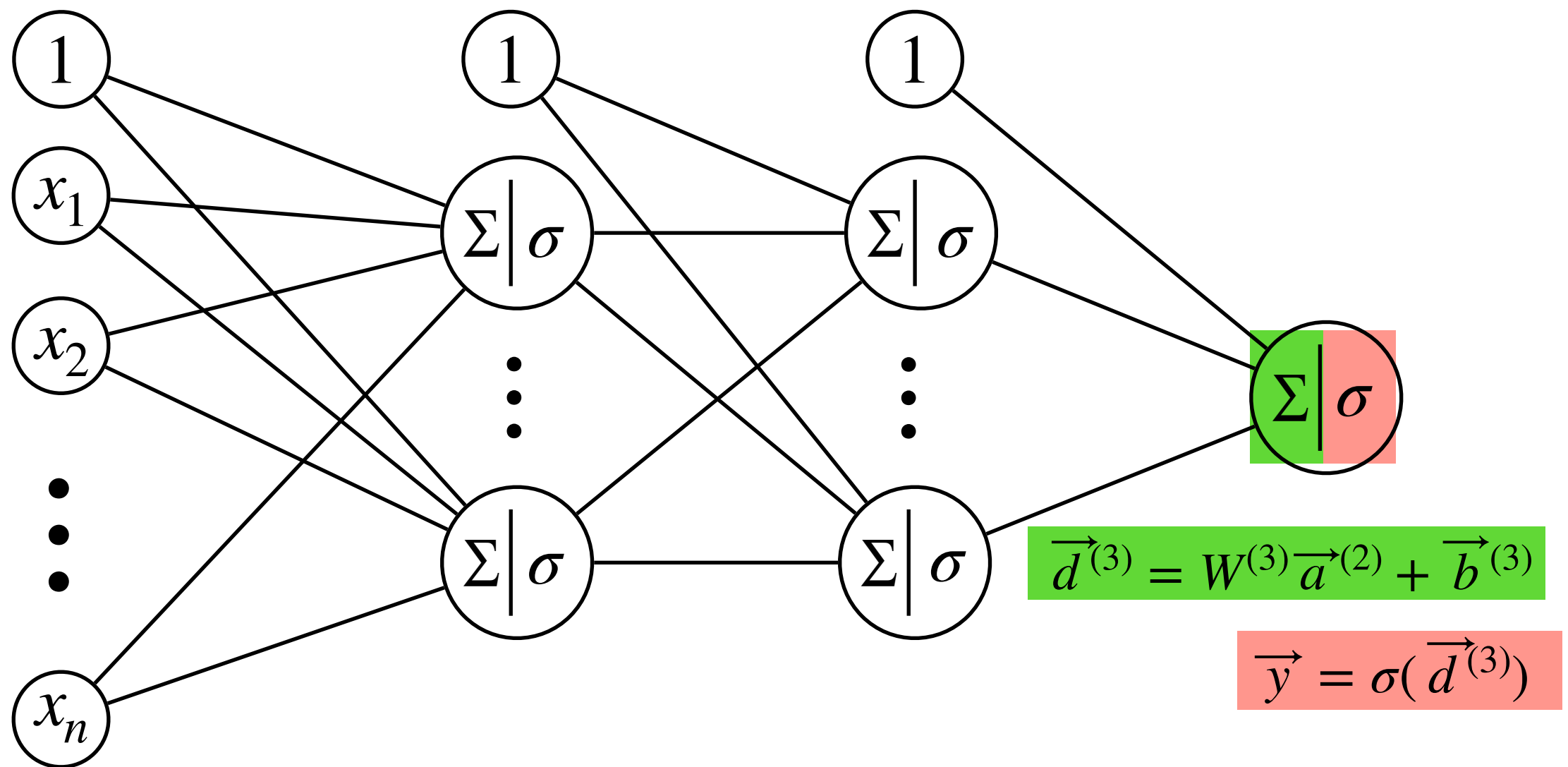
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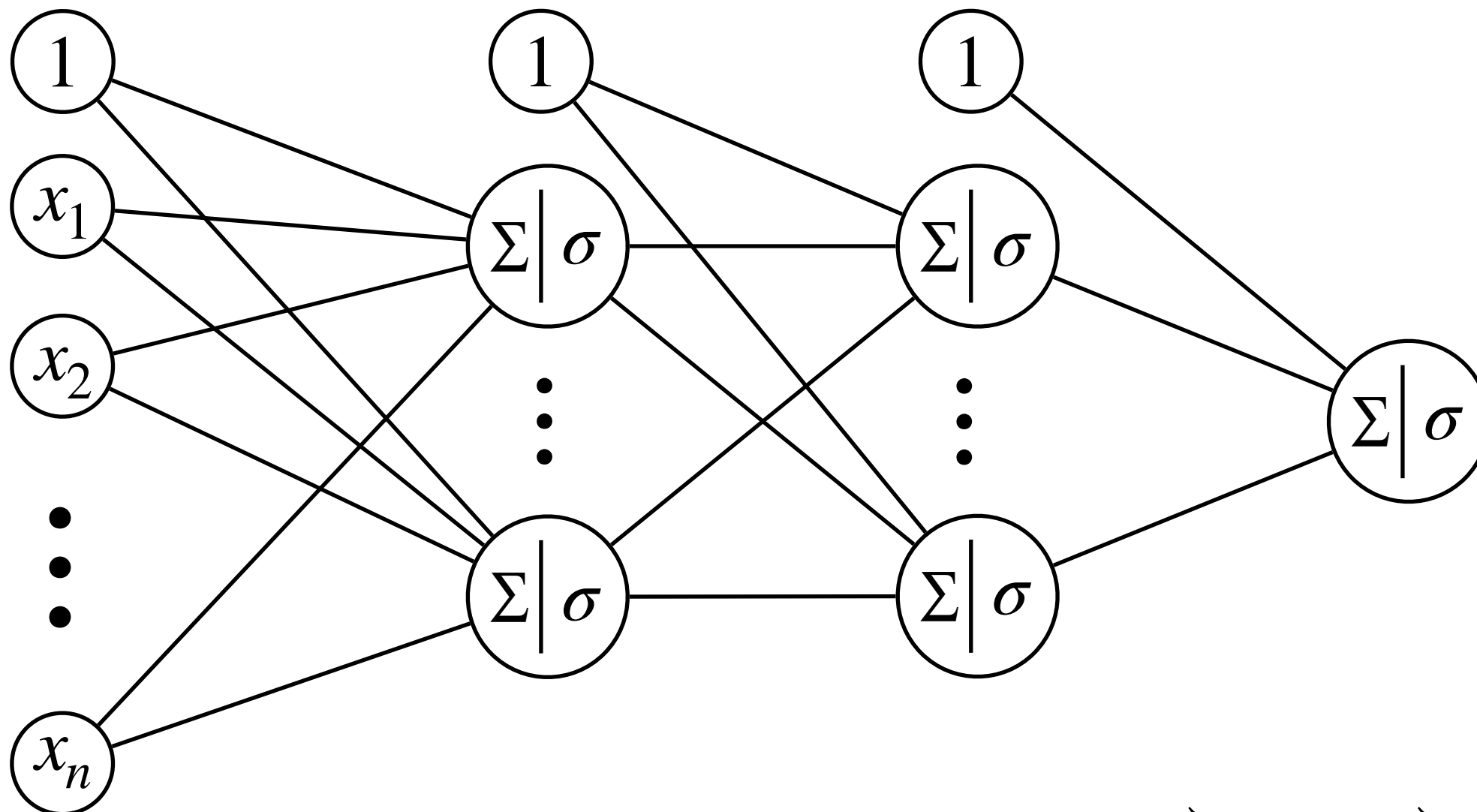
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# Network Function

The network can be described by the function it implements, although we usually don't do this:



$$\vec{y} = \sigma(W^{(3)}\sigma(W^{(2)}\sigma(W^{(1)}\vec{x} + \vec{b}^{(1)}) + \vec{b}^{(2)}) + \vec{b}^{(3)})$$

Any questions?

# Conclusion & Outlook

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- We saw how a simple neuron model (McCulloch-Pitts) is able to implement simple logical gates.
- We discussed an extension of this model (Perceptron), which is able to learn autonomously from data.
- We found that it is not able to implement more complex functions (like XOR), because it can only learn a linear separation.
- Lastly we showed that a stacked multi-layer perceptron (MLP) is able to implement these more complex problems and formalized what a forward step in an MLP looks like.

# Outlook

- The problem now is that we can't use the perceptron learning rule to train a multi-layer perceptron.
- Although Frank Rosenblatt showed that an MLP can solve more complex problems he couldn't come up with a way to train it.
- It was not before 1982 that the famous Backpropagation algorithm was invented that allows learning in multi-layer perceptrons.
- This will be the topic for the next lecture.

See you next week!

# Resources

- [w1] WeeKee at English Wikipedia ([https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Rosenblatt\\_21.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Rosenblatt_21.jpg))
- [w2] Rama at English Wikipedia ([https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Marvin\\_Minsky\\_at\\_OLPCb.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Marvin_Minsky_at_OLPCb.jpg))
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