

# Lecture 05

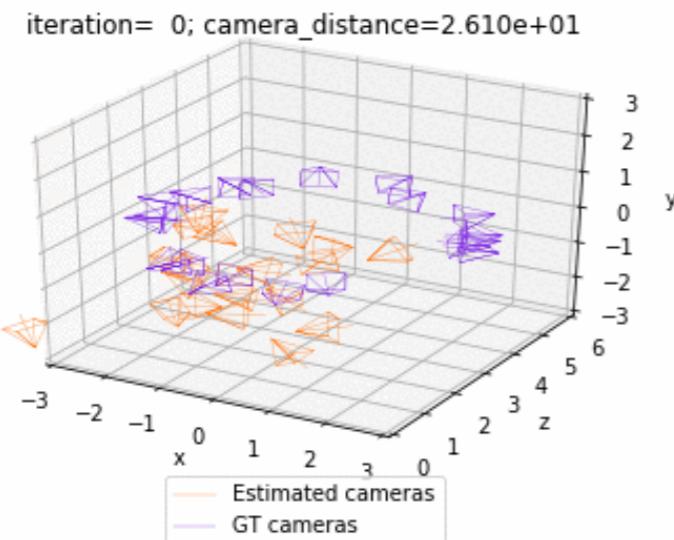
# Fitting Neurons with Gradient Descent

STAT 453: Deep Learning, Spring 2020

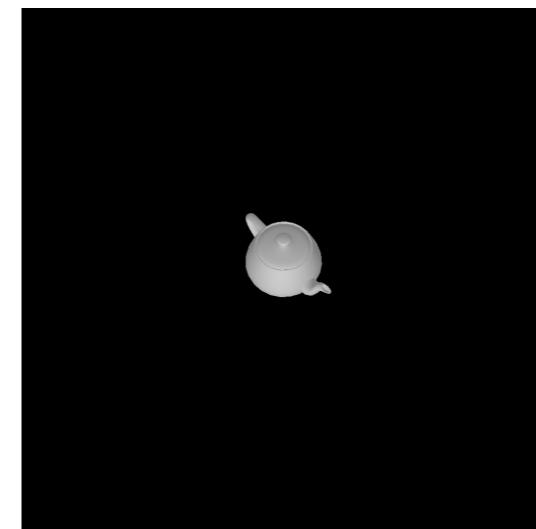
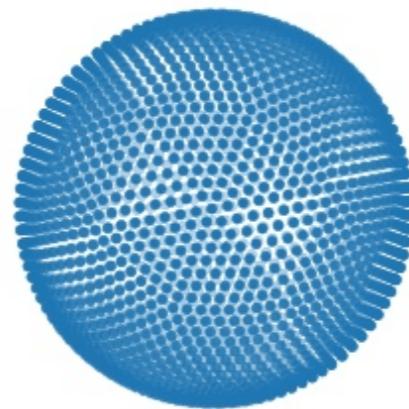
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# News



<https://github.com/facebookresearch/pytorch3d>





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How do people come up with all these crazy  
deep learning architectures?  
[reddit.com/r/MachineLearn...](https://reddit.com/r/MachineLearning)

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Brudaks 153 points

A popular method for designing deep learning architectures is GDGS (gradient descent by grad student).

This is an iterative approach, where you start with a straightforward baseline architecture (or possibly an earlier SOTA), measure its effectiveness; apply various modifications (e.g. add a highway connection here or there), see what works and what does not (i.e. where the gradient is pointing) and iterate further on from there in that direction until you reach a (local?) optimum.

Also known as "graduate student descent"

Let's improve upon the  
perceptron & learn about a  
neural network model for  
which the training always  
converges

# Our Goals

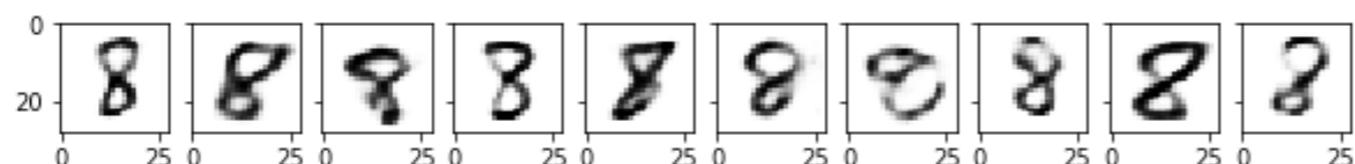
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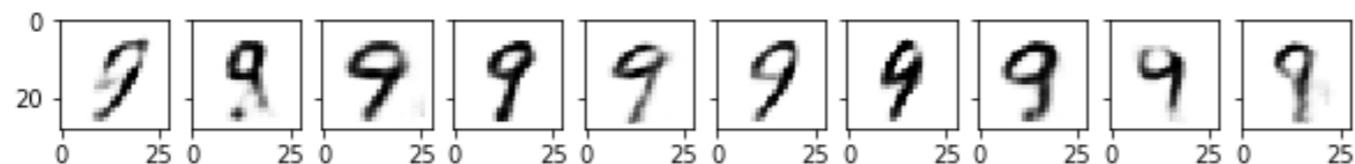
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: model.eval()  
logits, probas = model(features.to(device)[0, None])  
print('Probability Female %.2f%%' % (probas[0][0]*100))  
Probability Female 99.71%
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Class Label 9



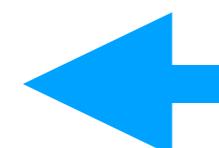
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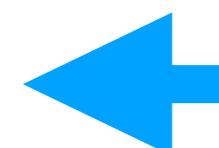
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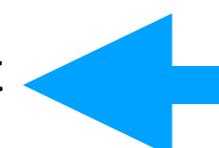
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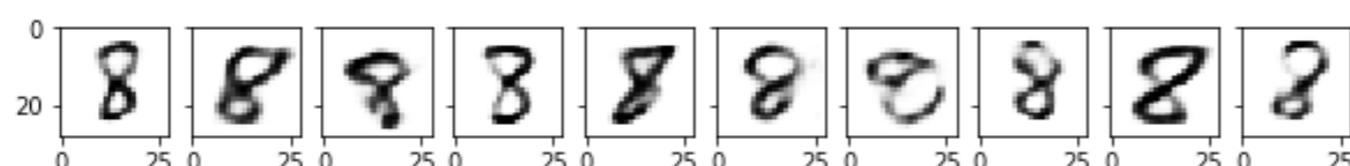


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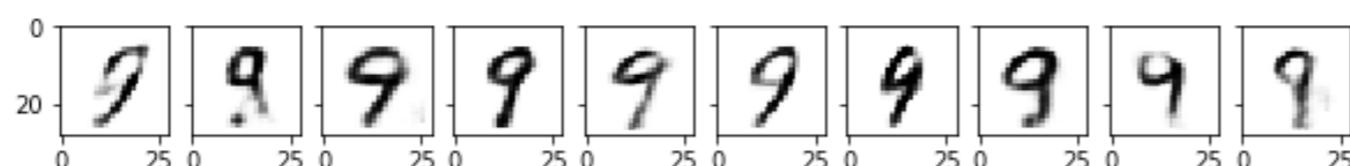


More towards the end of the course

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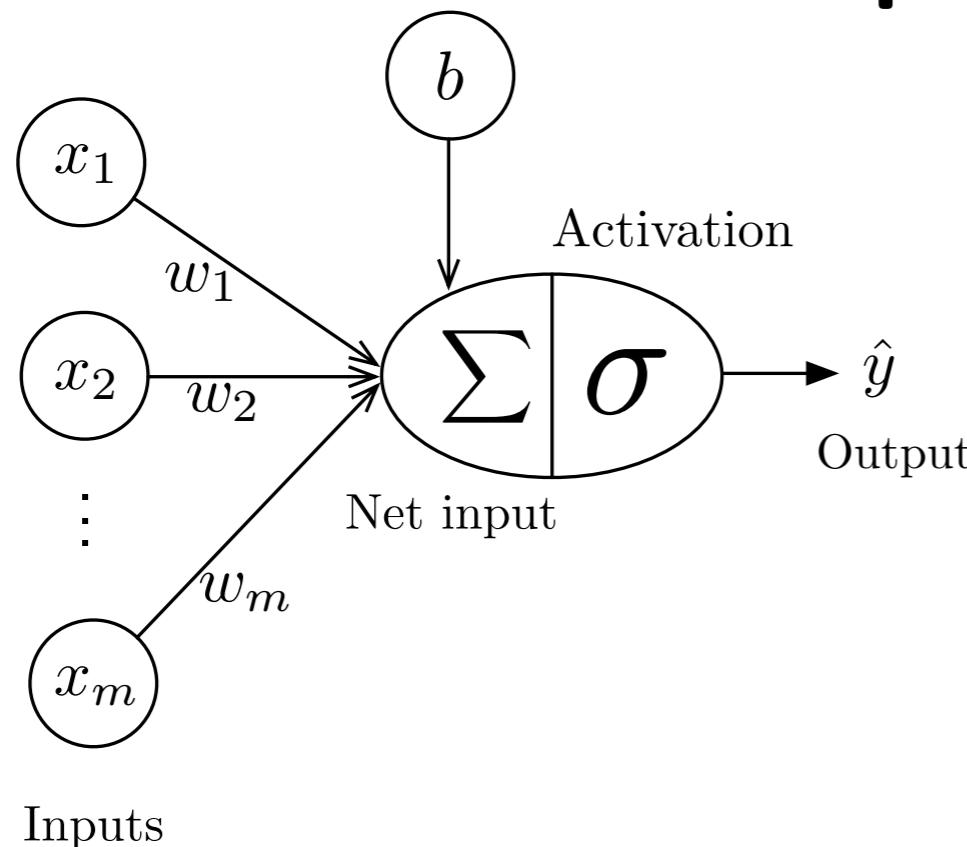
All based on the same learning algorithm and extensions thereof.

So, this is prob. the most fundamental lecture!

# Good news:

- After this lecture, there won't be any "new" mathematical concepts.
- Everything in DL will be extensions & applications of these basic concepts.

# Perceptron Recap



$$\sigma \left( \sum_{i=1}^m x_i w_i + b \right) = \sigma (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{w} + b) = \hat{y}$$

$$\sigma(z) = \begin{cases} 0, & z \leq 0 \\ 1, & z > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$b = -\theta$$

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This applies to all common neuron models and (deep) neural network architectures!

There are some variants of it, namely the "batch mode" and the "minibatch mode" which we will briefly go over in the next slides and then discuss more later

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## "On-line" mode II (alternative)

1. Initialize  $\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $b := 0$
2. For  $t$  iterations:
  - A. Pick random  $\langle \mathbf{x}^{[i]}, y^{[i]} \rangle \in \mathcal{D}$ :
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No shuffling required

(actually, not really stochastic because a fixed training set instead of sampling from the population)

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## Minibatch mode

(mix between on-line and batch)

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The most common mode in deep learning. Any ideas why?

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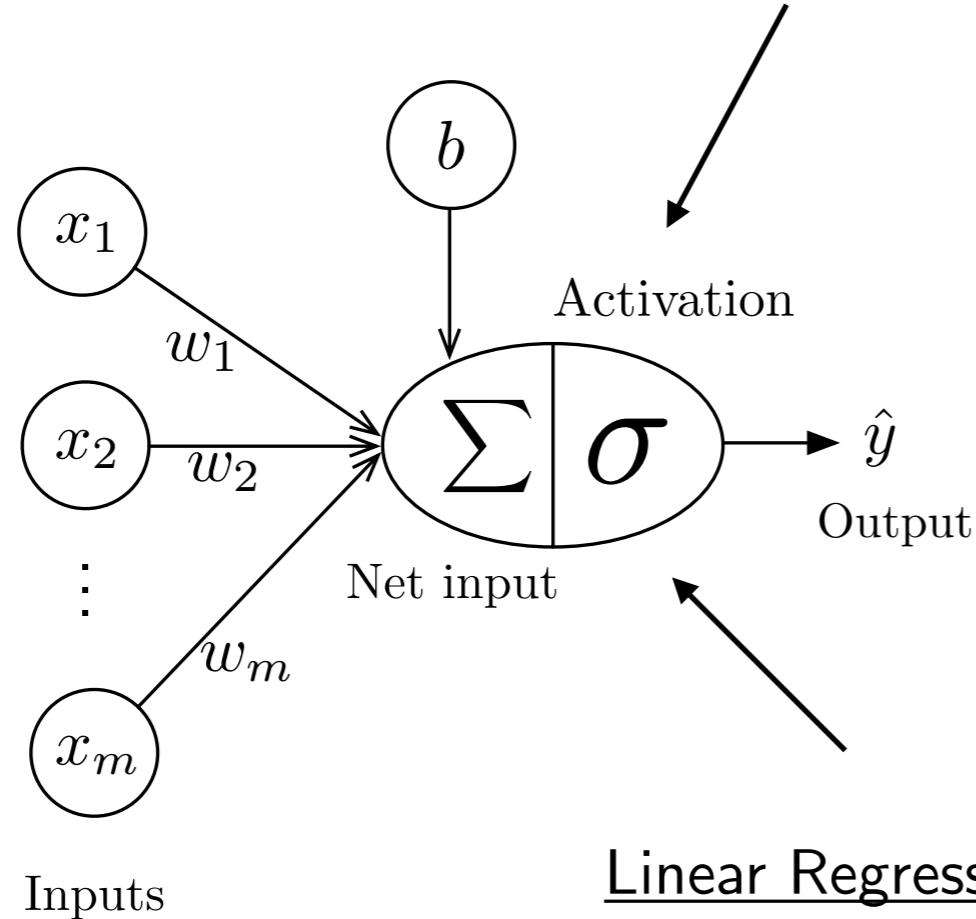
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Most commonly used in DL, because

1. Choosing a subset (vs 1 example at a time) takes advantage of vectorization (faster iteration through epoch than on-line)
2. having fewer updates than "on-line" makes updates less noisy
3. makes more updates/epoch than "batch" and is thus faster

# Linear Regression



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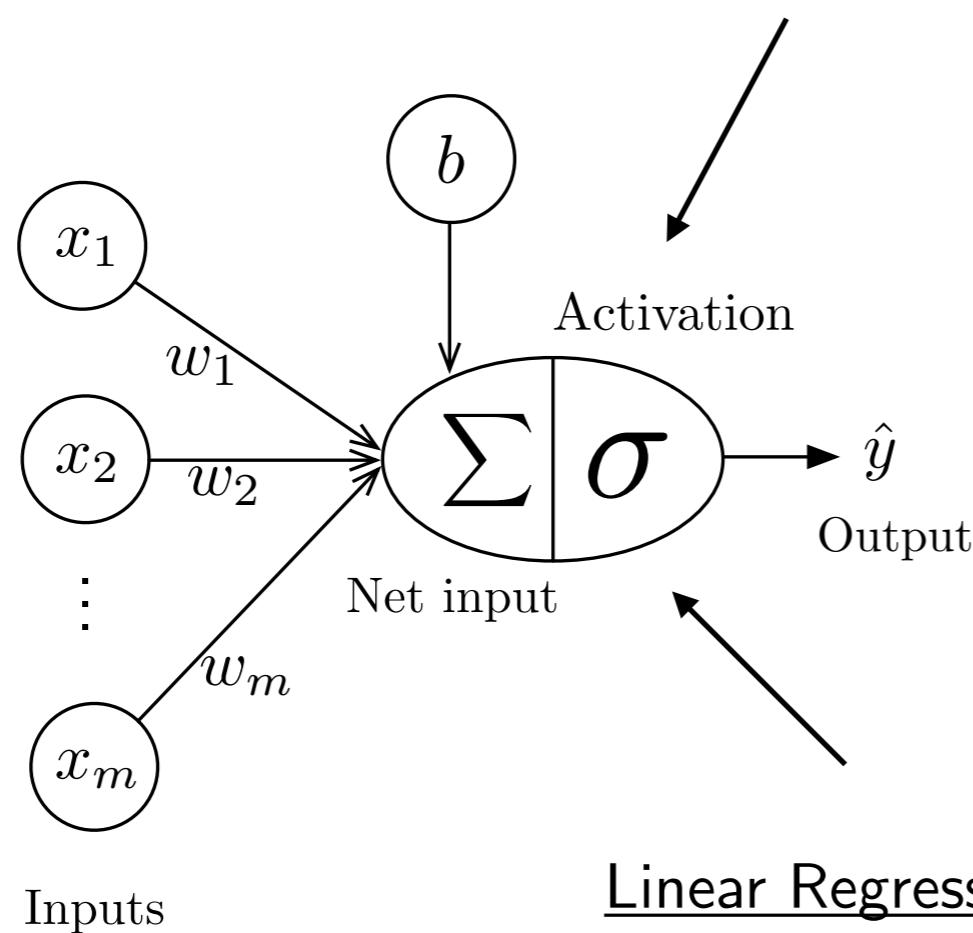
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You can think of linear regression as a linear neuron!

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- Generally, this is the best approach for linear regression (although, the matrix inversion might be problematic on large datasets)
- However, we will now learn about another way to learn these parameters iteratively
- Why? Because this is what we will be doing in deep neural nets later, where we have large datasets, many connections, and non-convex loss functions

# (Least-Squares) Linear Regression

## -- iteratively with "brute force"

- A very naive way to fit a linear regression model (and any neural net) is to start with initializing the parameters to 0's or small random values
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  - Choose another random set of weights
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This approach is guaranteed to find the optimal solution for very large  $k$ , but it would be terribly slow.

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**There's a better way!**

- We will analyze what effect a change of a parameter has on the predictive performance (loss) of the model then, we change the weight a little bit in the direction that improves the performance (minimizes the loss) the most
- We do this in several (small) steps until the loss does not further decrease

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## "On-line" mode

### Perceptron learning rule

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### Stochastic gradient descent

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learning rate

↑  
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Vectorized

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For-Loop

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Coincidentally, this appears almost to be the same as the perceptron rule, except that the prediction is a real number and we have a learning rate

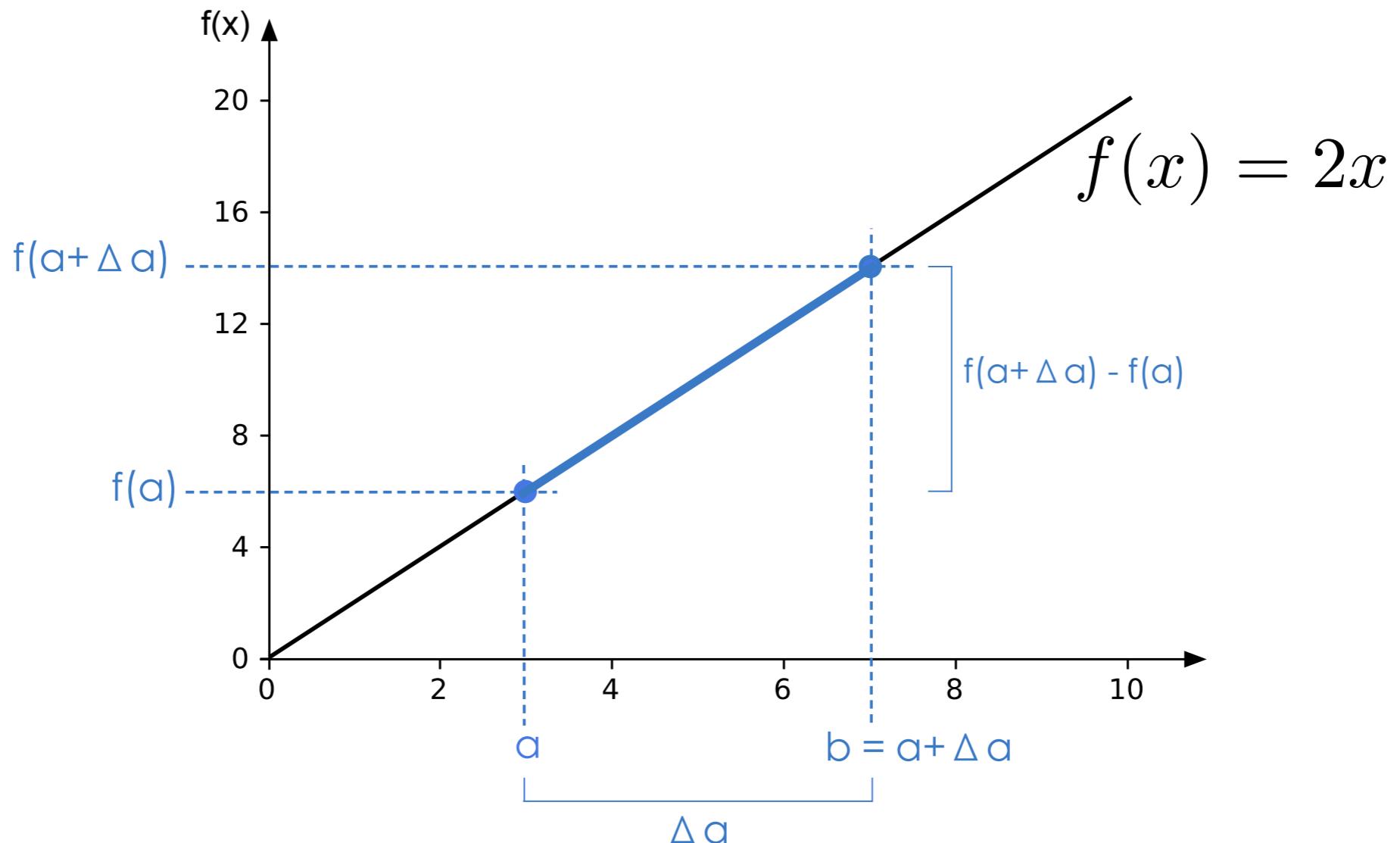
This learning rule (from the previous slide)  
is called (stochastic) gradient descent.

So, how did we get there?

First, let's briefly cover relevant background  
info ...  
(Optional section)

# Differential Calculus Refresher

Derivative of a function = "rate of change" = "slope"



$$\text{Slope} = \frac{f(a + \Delta a) - f(a)}{a + \Delta a - a} = \frac{f(a + \Delta a) - f(a)}{\Delta a}$$

# Function Derivative

$$f'(x) = \frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

Example 1:  $f(x) = 2x$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x + 2\Delta x - 2x}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2\Delta x}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} 2.\end{aligned}$$

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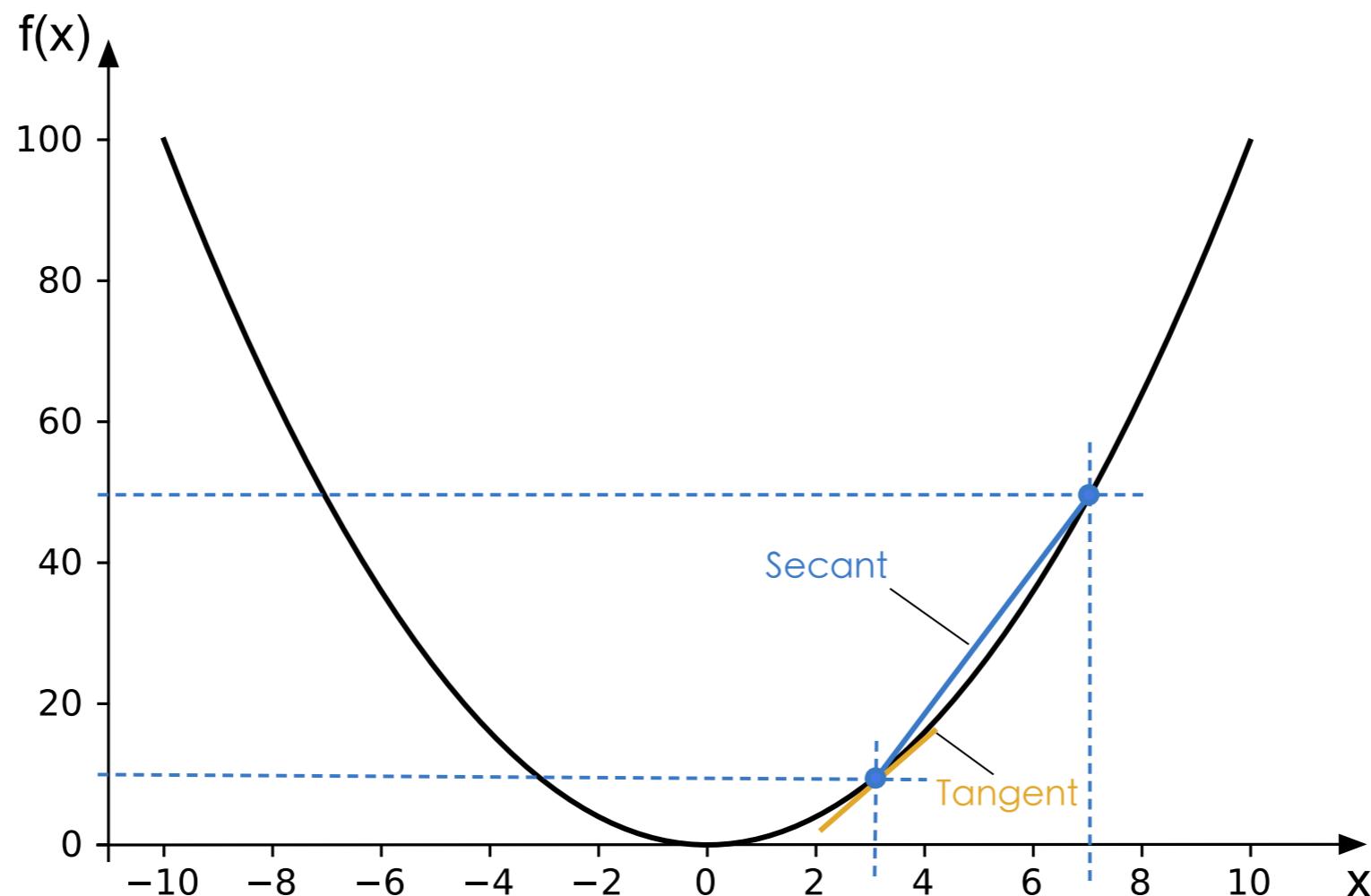
Example 2:  $f(x) = x^2$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x^2 + 2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2 - x^2}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{2x\Delta x + (\Delta x)^2}{\Delta x} \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} 2x + \Delta x.\end{aligned}$$

# Numerical vs Analytical/Symbolical Derivatives

Conceptually, we obtained the derivative  $\frac{d}{dx}x^2 = 2x$

By approximating the slope (tangent) by a secant between two points (as before)



# A Cheatsheet for You (1)

	Function $f(x)$	Derivative with respect to $x$
1	$a$	0
2	$x$	1
3	$ax$	$a$
4	$x^2$	$2x$
5	$x^a$	$ax^{a-1}$
6	$a^x$	$\log(a)a^x$
7	$\log(x)$	$1/x$
8	$\log_a(x)$	$1/(x \log(a))$
9	$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$
10	$\cos(x)$	$-\sin(x)$
11	$\tan(x)$	$\sec^2(x)$

# A Cheatsheet for You (2)

	Function	Derivative
Sum Rule	$f(x) + g(x)$	$f'(x) + g'(x)$
Difference Rule	$f(x) - g(x)$	$f'(x) - g'(x)$
Product Rule	$f(x)g(x)$	$f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$
Quotient Rule	$f(x)/g(x)$	$[g(x)f'(x) - f(x)g'(x)]/[g(x)]^2$
Reciprocal Rule	$1/f(x)$	$-[f'(x)]/[f(x)]^2$
Chain Rule	$f(g(x))$	$f'(g(x))g'(x)$

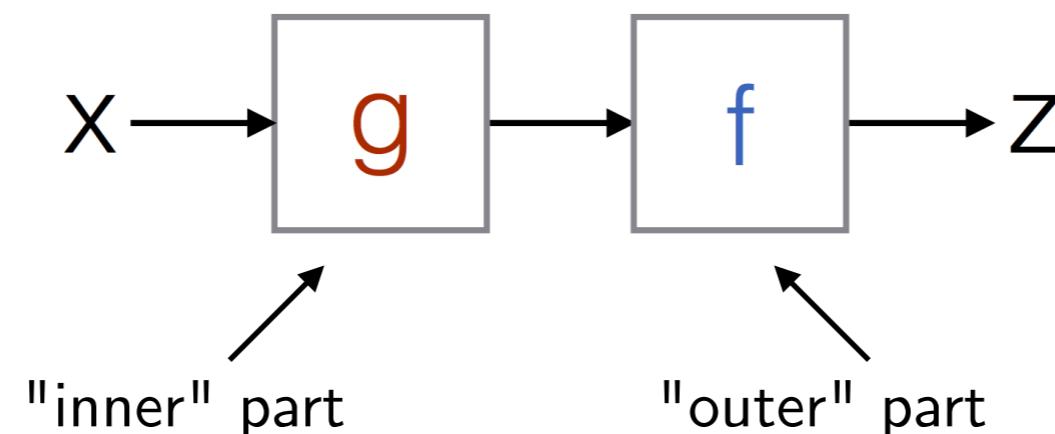
# Chain Rule

- The chain rule is basically the essence of training (deep) neural networks
- If you understand and learn how to apply the chain rule to various function decompositions, deep learning will be super easy and even seem trivial to you from now on
- In fact, neural networks will become even easier to understand than any algorithm you learned about in my previous ML class

# Chain Rule & "Computation Graph" Intuition

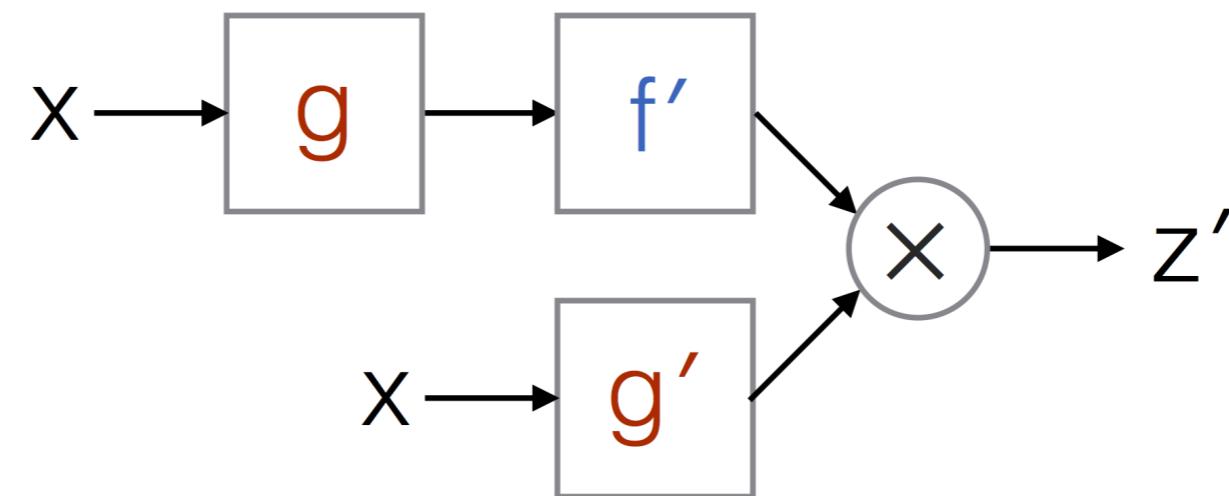
$$F(x) = f(g(x)) = z$$

Decomposition of some  
(nested) function:



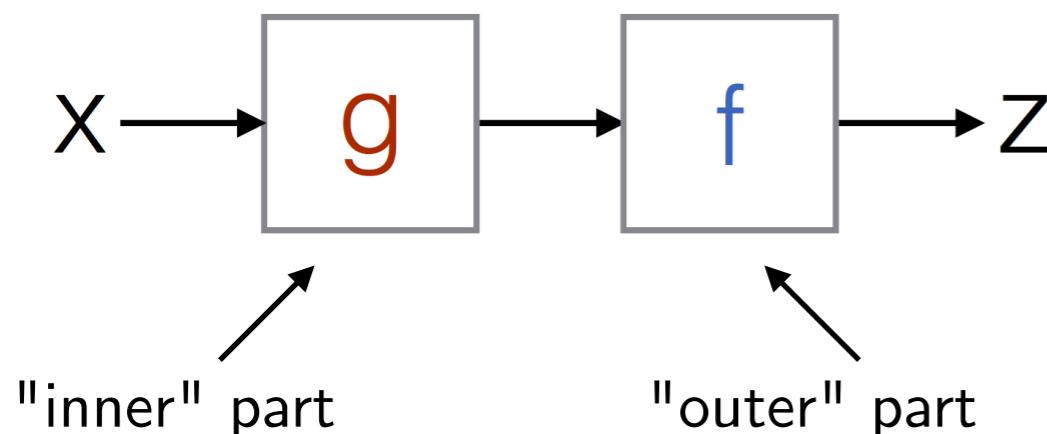
$$F'(x) = f'(g(x)) g'(x) = z'$$

Derivative of that nested  
function:



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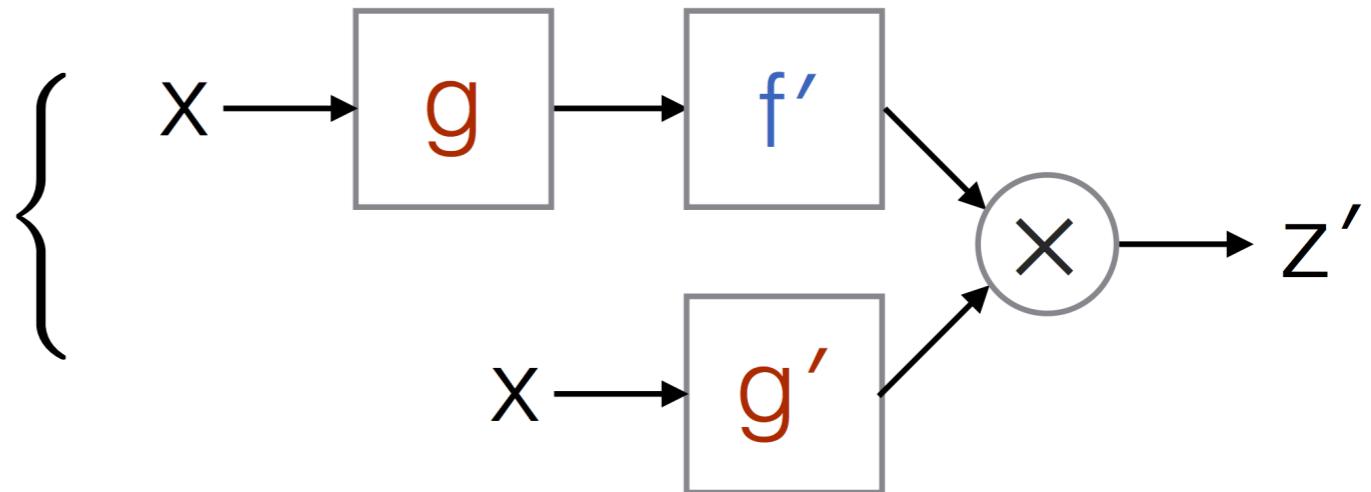
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} Later, we will see that PyTorch can do that automatically for us :)  
(PyTorch literally keeps a computation graph in the background)

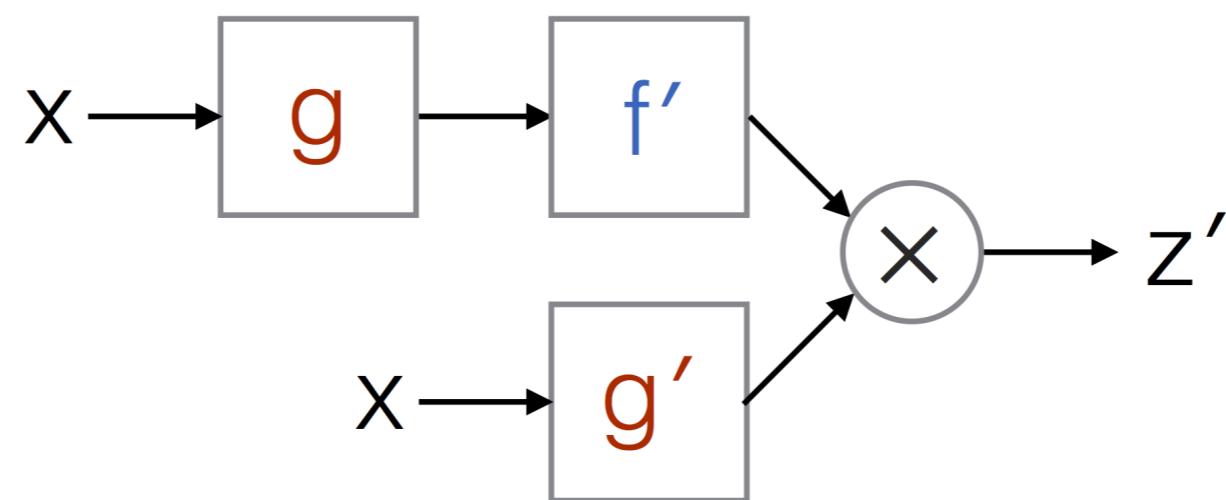
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Also, PyTorch can compute the derivatives of most (differentiable) functions automatically



# Chain Rule & "Computation Graph" Intuition

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In text, for efficiency, we will mostly use the Leibniz notation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] = \frac{df}{dg} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx}$$

# Chain Rule Example

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] = \frac{df}{dg} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx}$$

Example:  $f(x) = \log(\sqrt{x})$

substituting

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{d}{dg} \log(g) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x}$$

with  $\frac{d}{dg} \log(g) = \frac{1}{g} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  and  $\frac{d}{dx} x^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} x^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{2 \sqrt{x}}$

leads us to the solution  $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{2 \sqrt{x}} = \frac{1}{2x}$

# Chain Rule for Arbitrarily Long Function Compositions

$$F(x) = f(g(h(u(v(x))))))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dF}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} F(x) = \frac{d}{dx} f(g(h(u(v(x)))))) \\ &= \frac{df}{dg} \cdot \frac{dg}{dh} \cdot \frac{dh}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dv} \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}\end{aligned}$$

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Also called "reverse mode" as we start with the outer function. In neural nets, this will be from right to left.

We could also start from the inner parts ("forward mode")

$$\frac{dv}{dx} \cdot \frac{du}{dv} \cdot \frac{dh}{du} \cdot \frac{dg}{dh} \cdot \frac{df}{dg}$$

- Backpropagation (covered later) is basically "reverse" mode auto-differentiation
- It is cheaper than forward mode if we work with gradients, since then we have matrix-"vector" multiplications instead of matrix multiplications

# Gradients: Derivatives of Multivariable\* Functions

\*note that in some fields, the terms "multivariable" and "multivariate" are used interchangeably, but here, we really mean "multivariable" because "multivariate" means "multiple outputs", which is not the case here -- similarly, in most DL applications output one prediction value, or one prediction value per training example

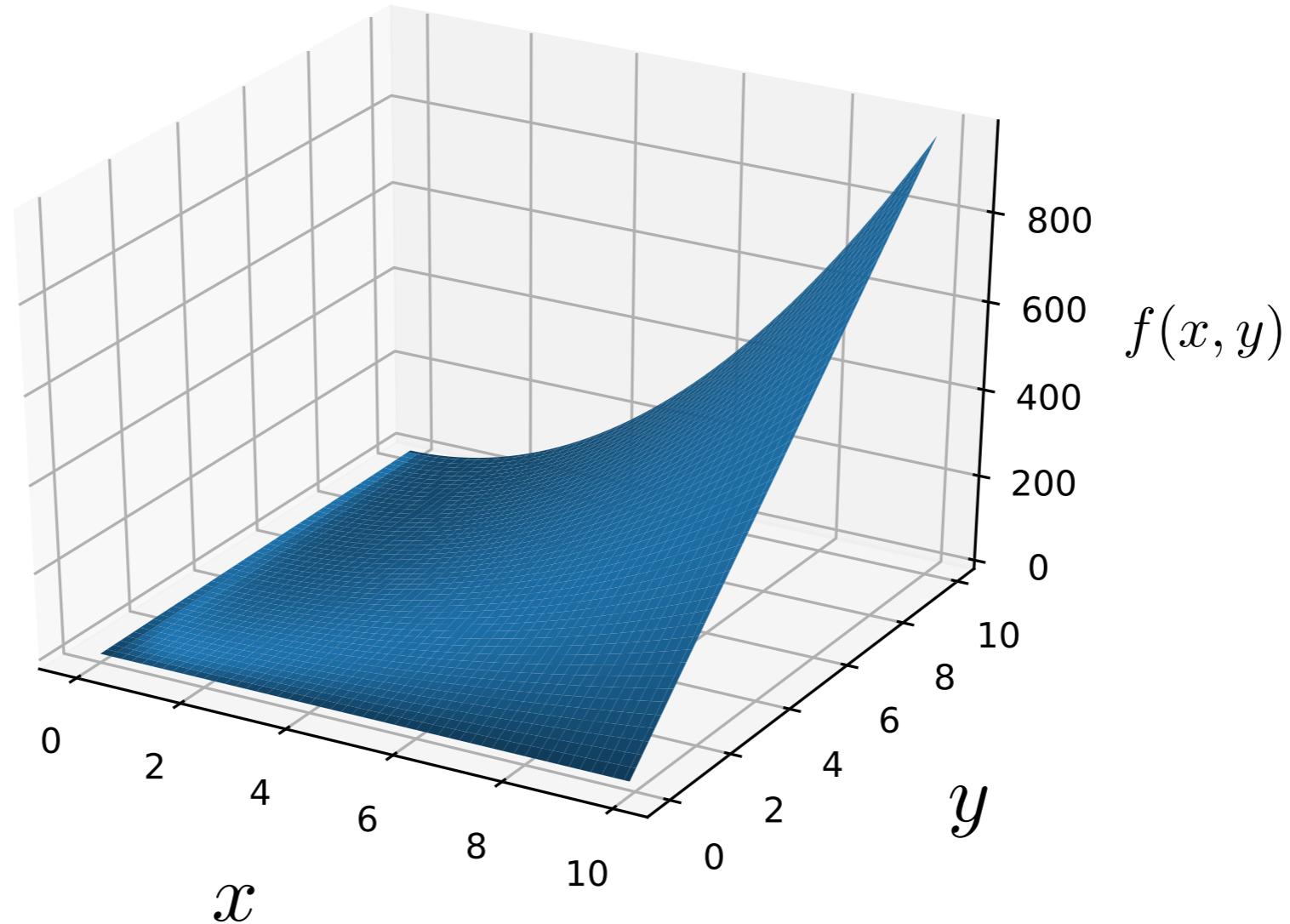
$$f(x, y, z, \dots)$$

$$\nabla f = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \\ \partial f / \partial z \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

For gradients, we use the "partial" symbol to denote partial derivatives; more of a notational convention and the concept is the same as before when we were computing ordinary derivatives (denoted them as "d")

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$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial x \\ \partial f / \partial y \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} x^2y + y = 2xy$$

(via the power rule and constant rule), and

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} x^2y + y = x^2 + 1.$$

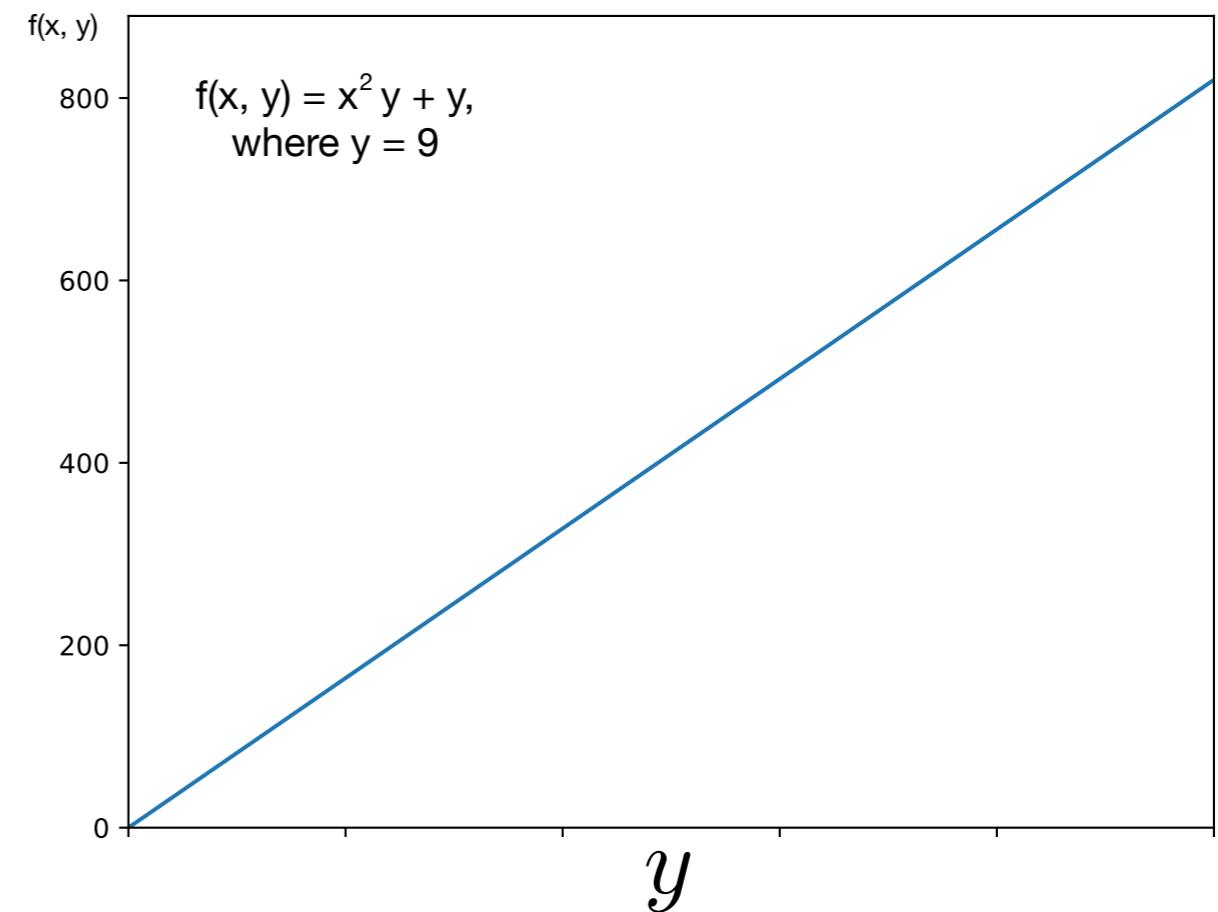
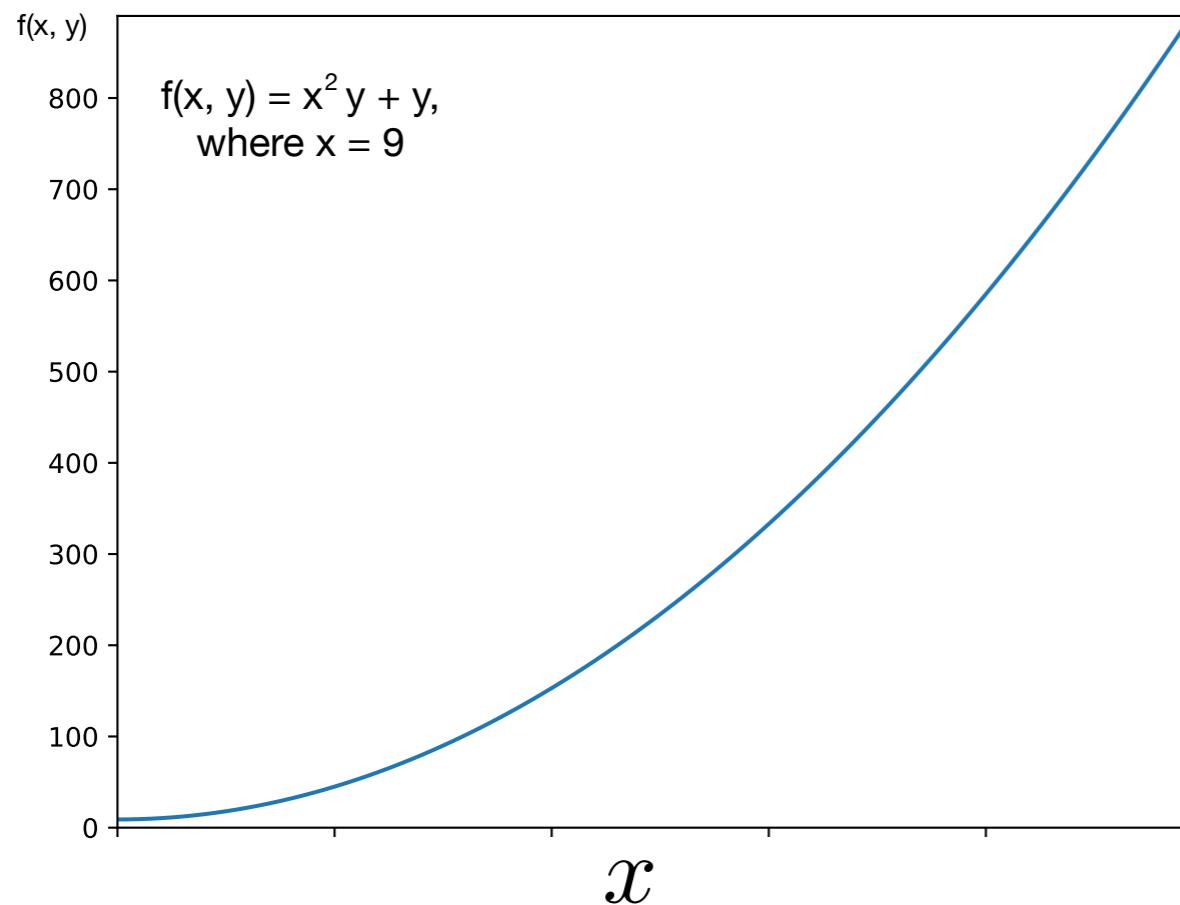
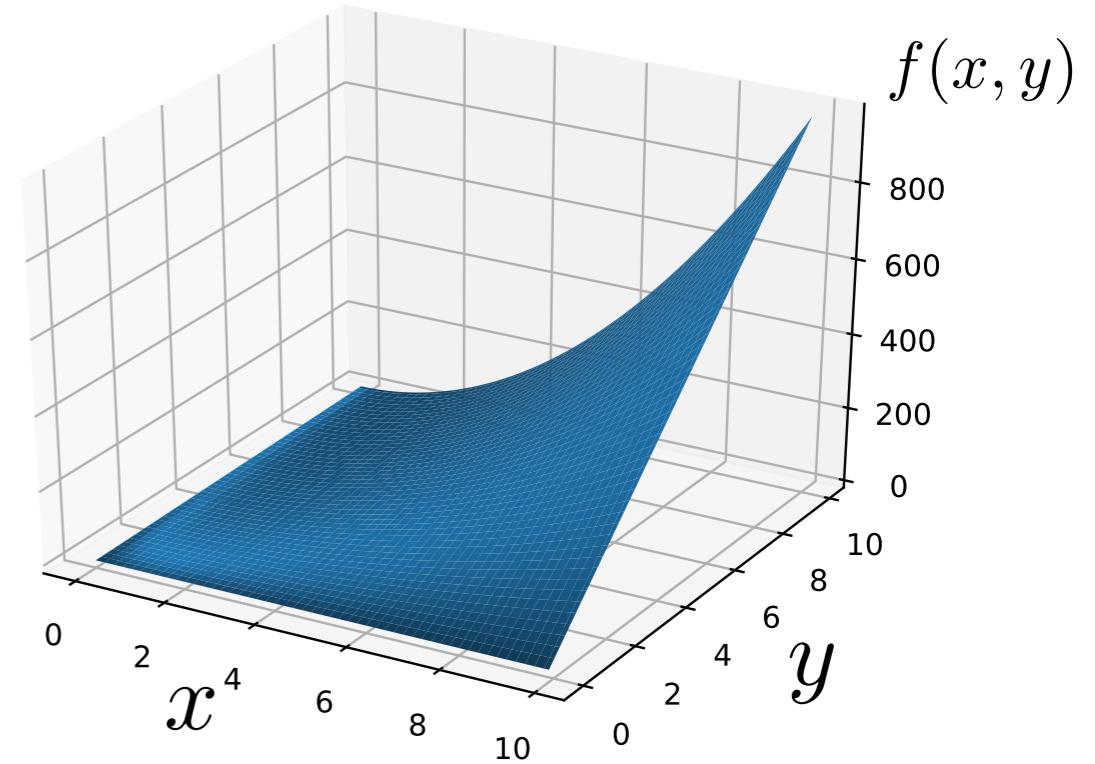
So, the gradient of the function  $f$  is defined as

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} 2xy \\ x^2 + 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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# Gradients & the Multivariable Chain Rule

Suppose we have a composite function like this:

$$f(g(x), h(x))$$

Remember the regular chain rule for a single input:

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] = \frac{df}{dg} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx}$$

For two inputs, we now have

$$\frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x), h(x))] = \frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \cdot \frac{dh}{dx}$$

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Example:

$$f(g, h) = g^2 h + h$$

where  $g(x) = 3x$ , and  $h(x) = x^2$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial g} = 2gh$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial h} = g^2 + 1$$

$$\frac{dg}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} 3x = 3$$

$$\frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} x^2 = 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} [f(g(x))] &= [2gh \cdot 3] + [(g^2 + 1) \cdot 2x] \\ &= 2xg^2 + 6gh + 2x \end{aligned}$$

# Gradients & the Multivariable Chain Rule in Vector Form

$$f(g(x), h(x))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dx}[f(g(x), h(x))] &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \cdot \frac{dh}{dx} \\ &= \nabla f \cdot \mathbf{v}'(x).\end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\mathbf{v}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} g(x) \\ h(x) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{v}'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \begin{bmatrix} g(x) \\ h(x) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} dg/dx \\ dh/dx \end{bmatrix}$$

Putting it together:

$$\nabla f \cdot \mathbf{v}'(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial f / \partial g \\ \partial f / \partial h \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} dg/dx \\ dh/dx \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial g} \cdot \frac{dg}{dx} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial h} \cdot \frac{dh}{dx}$$

# The Jacobian (Matrix)

$$\mathbf{f}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m) \\ f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$J(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_3} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_m} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_3} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_m} \\ \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_3} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial x_m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_3} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

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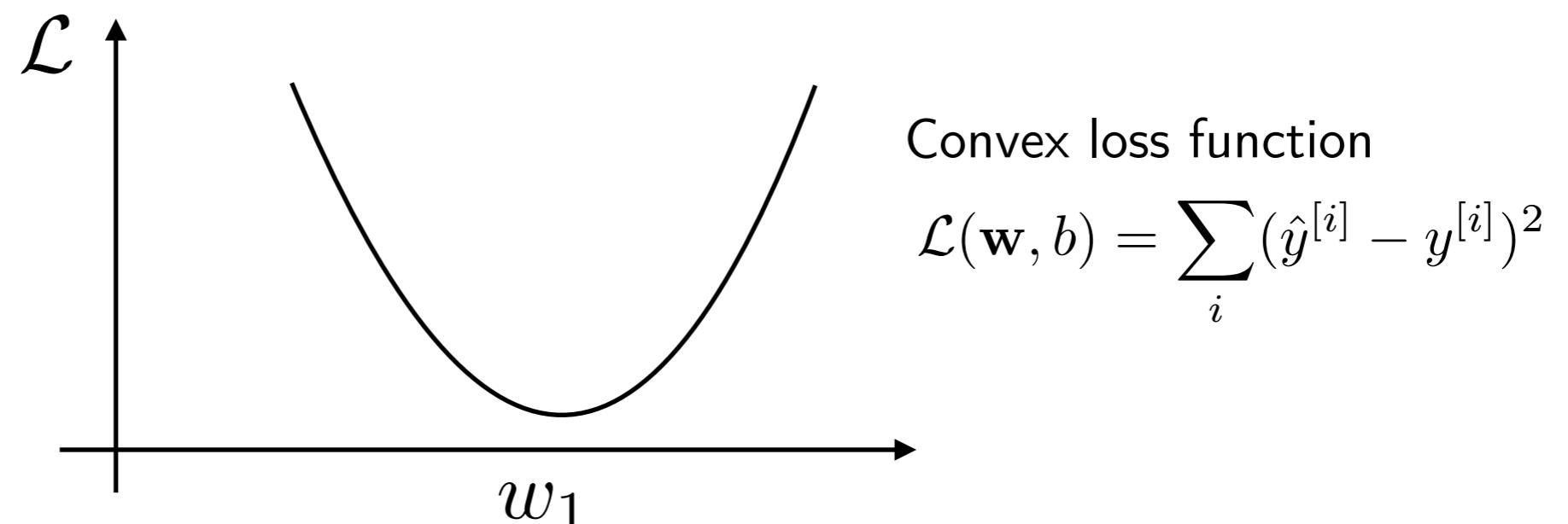
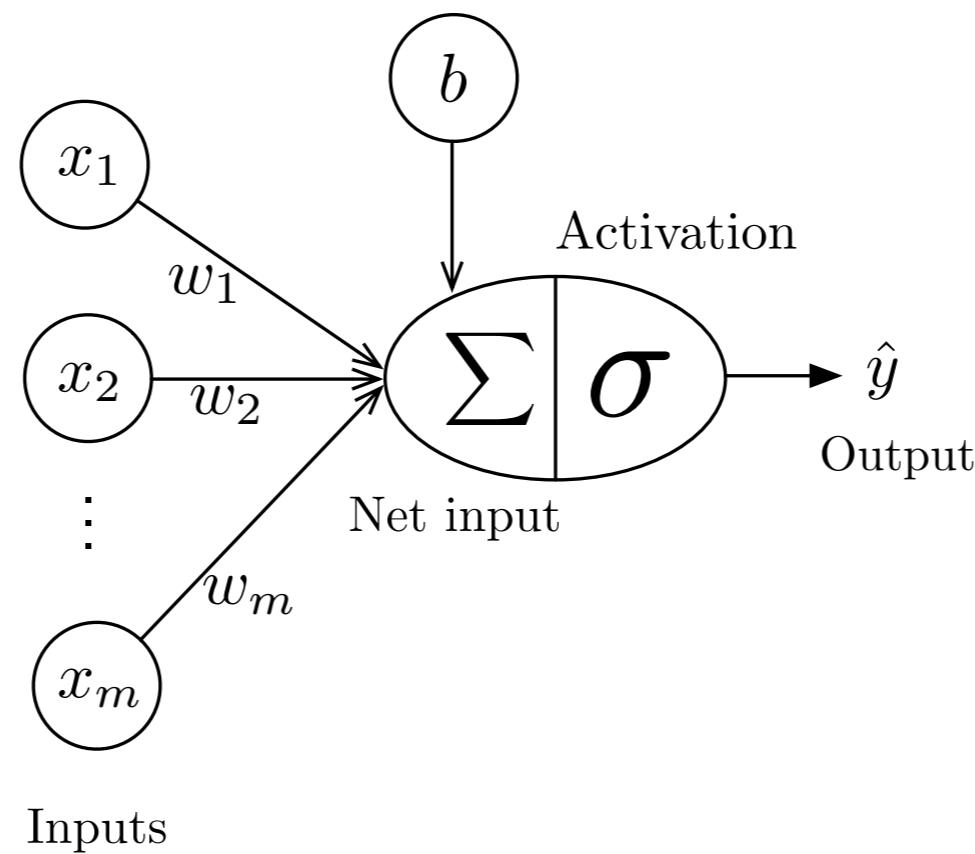
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# **Second Order Derivatives**

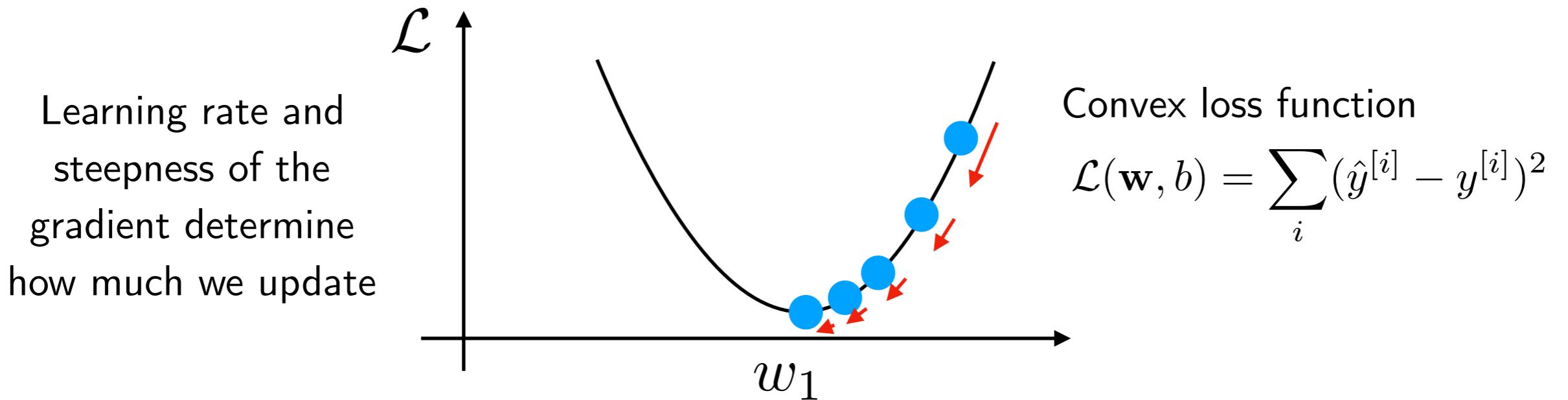
Lucky for you, we won't need second  
order derivatives in this class ;)

**(End of the optional section)**

# Back to Linear Regression

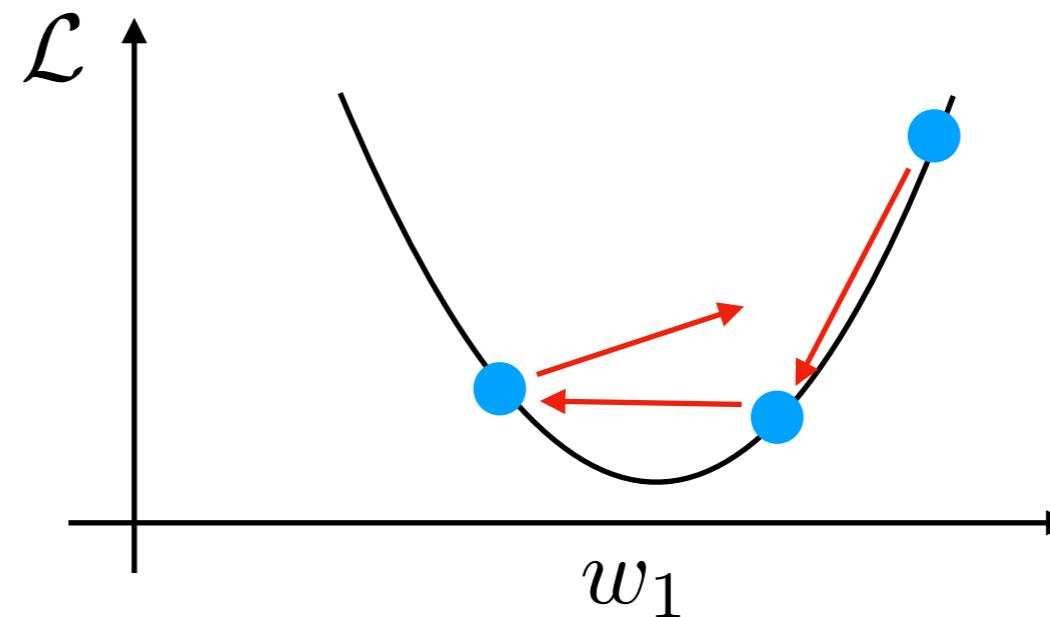


# Gradient Descent

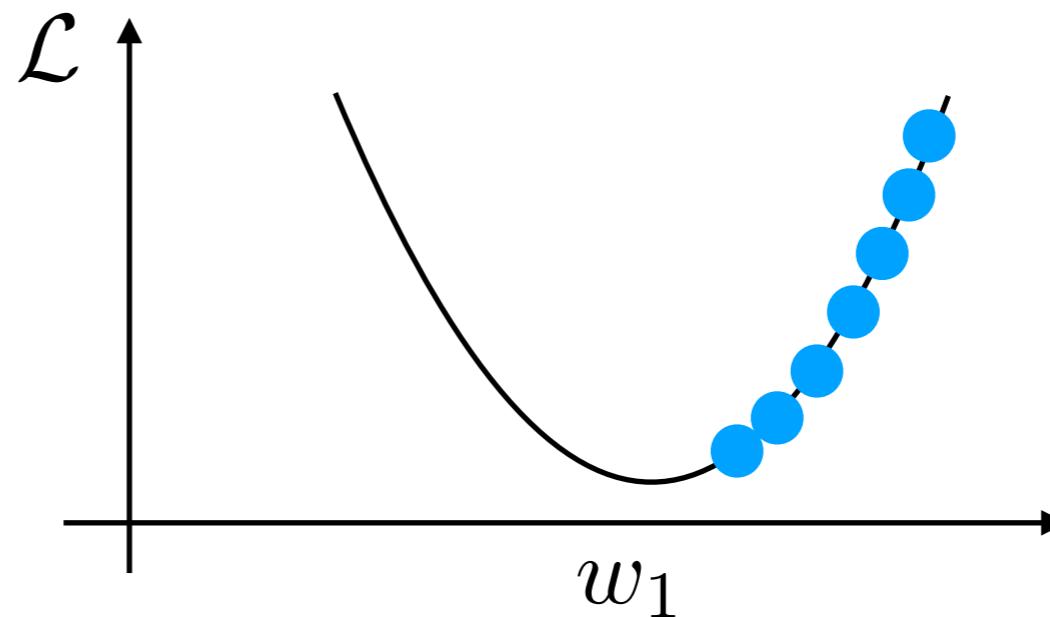


# Gradient Descent

If the learning rate is too large,  
we can overshoot



If the learning rate is too small,  
convergence is very slow



# Linear Regression Loss Derivative

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{w}, b) = \sum_i (\hat{y}^{[i]} - y^{[i]})^2 \quad \text{Sum Squared Error (SSE) loss}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial w_j} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \sum_i (\hat{y}^{[i]} - y^{[i]})^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \sum_i (\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]})^2 \\ &= \sum_i 2(\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]}) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} (\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]}) \\ &= \sum_i 2(\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]}) \frac{d\sigma}{d(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]})} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]} \\ &= \sum_i 2(\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]}) \frac{d\sigma}{d(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]})} x_j^{[i]} \quad (\text{Note that the activation function is the identity function in linear regression}) \\ &= \sum_i 2(\sigma(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^{[i]}) - y^{[i]}) x_j^{[i]}\end{aligned}$$

# Linear Regression Loss Derivative (alt.)

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{w}, b) = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_i (\hat{y}^{[i]} - y^{[i]})^2$$

Mean Squared Error (MSE) loss often scaled by factor 1/2 for convenience

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# Batch vs Stochastic

The minibatch and on-line modes are stochastic versions of gradient descent (batch mode)

## Minibatch mode

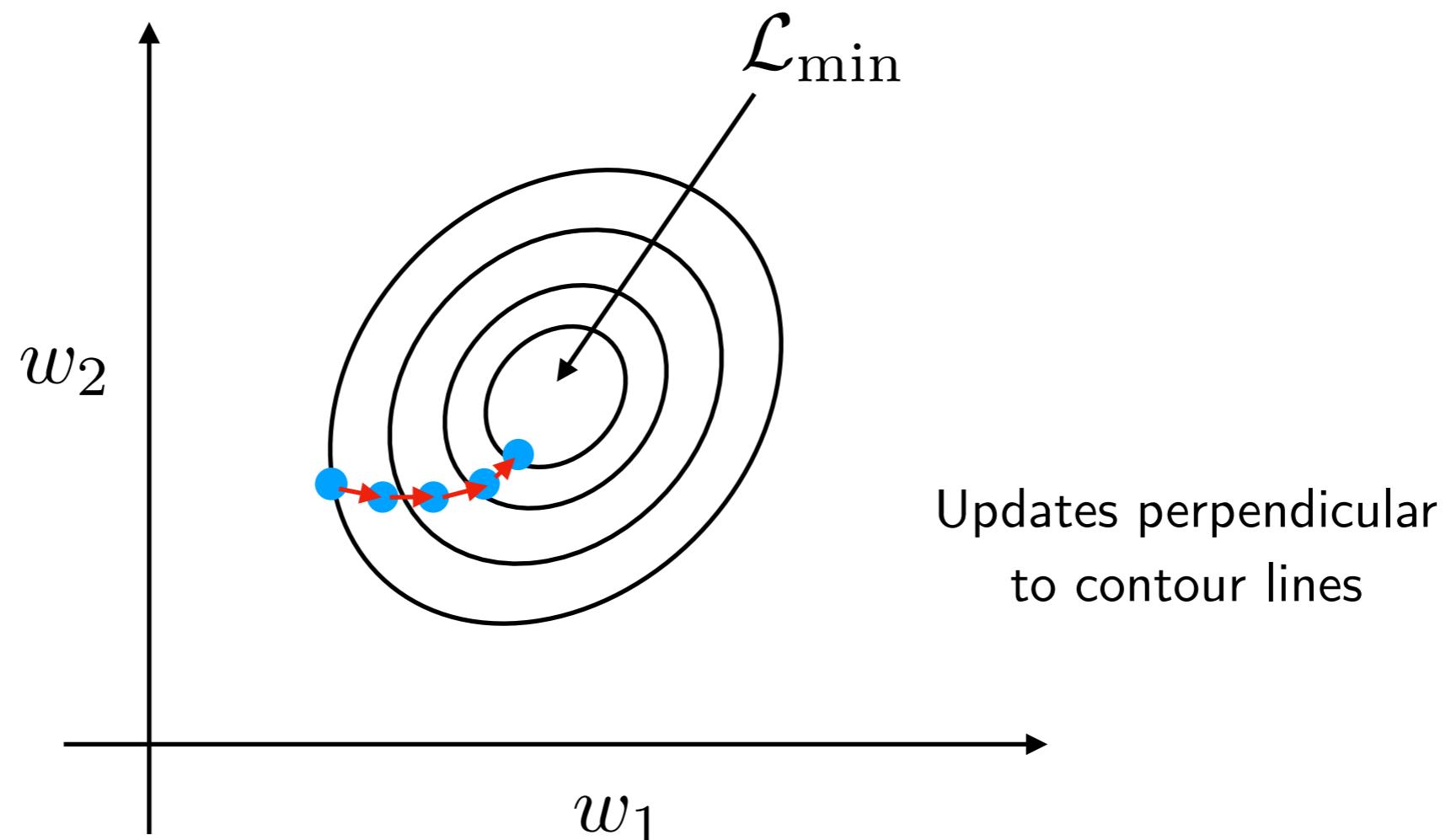
(mix between on-line and batch)

1. Initialize  $\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{b} := 0$
2. For every training epoch:
  - A. Initialize  $\Delta\mathbf{w} := 0$ ,  $\Delta b := 0$
  - B. For every  $\{\langle \mathbf{x}^{[i]}, y^{[i]} \rangle, \dots, \langle \mathbf{x}^{[i+k]}, y^{[i+k]} \rangle\} \subset \mathcal{D}$  :
    - (a) Compute output (prediction)
    - (b) Calculate error
    - (c) Update  $\Delta\mathbf{w}, \Delta b$
  - C. Update  $\mathbf{w}, b$  :  
$$\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{w} + \Delta\mathbf{w}, b := b + \Delta b$$

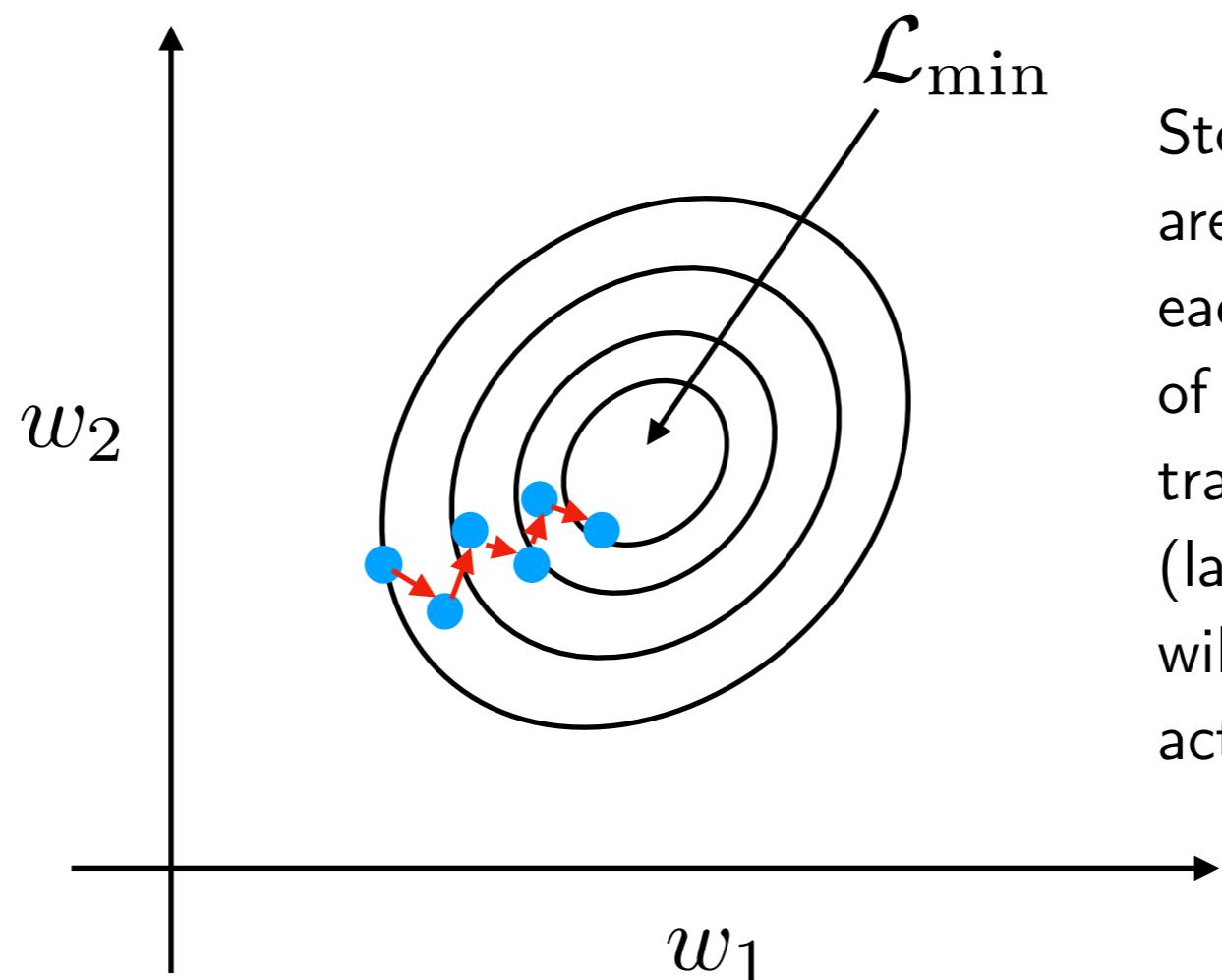
Most commonly used in DL, because

1. Choosing a subset (vs 1 example at a time) takes advantage of vectorization (faster iteration through epoch than on-line)
2. having fewer updates than "on-line" makes updates less noisy
3. makes more updates/epoch than "batch" and is thus faster

# Batch Gradient Descent as Surface Plot

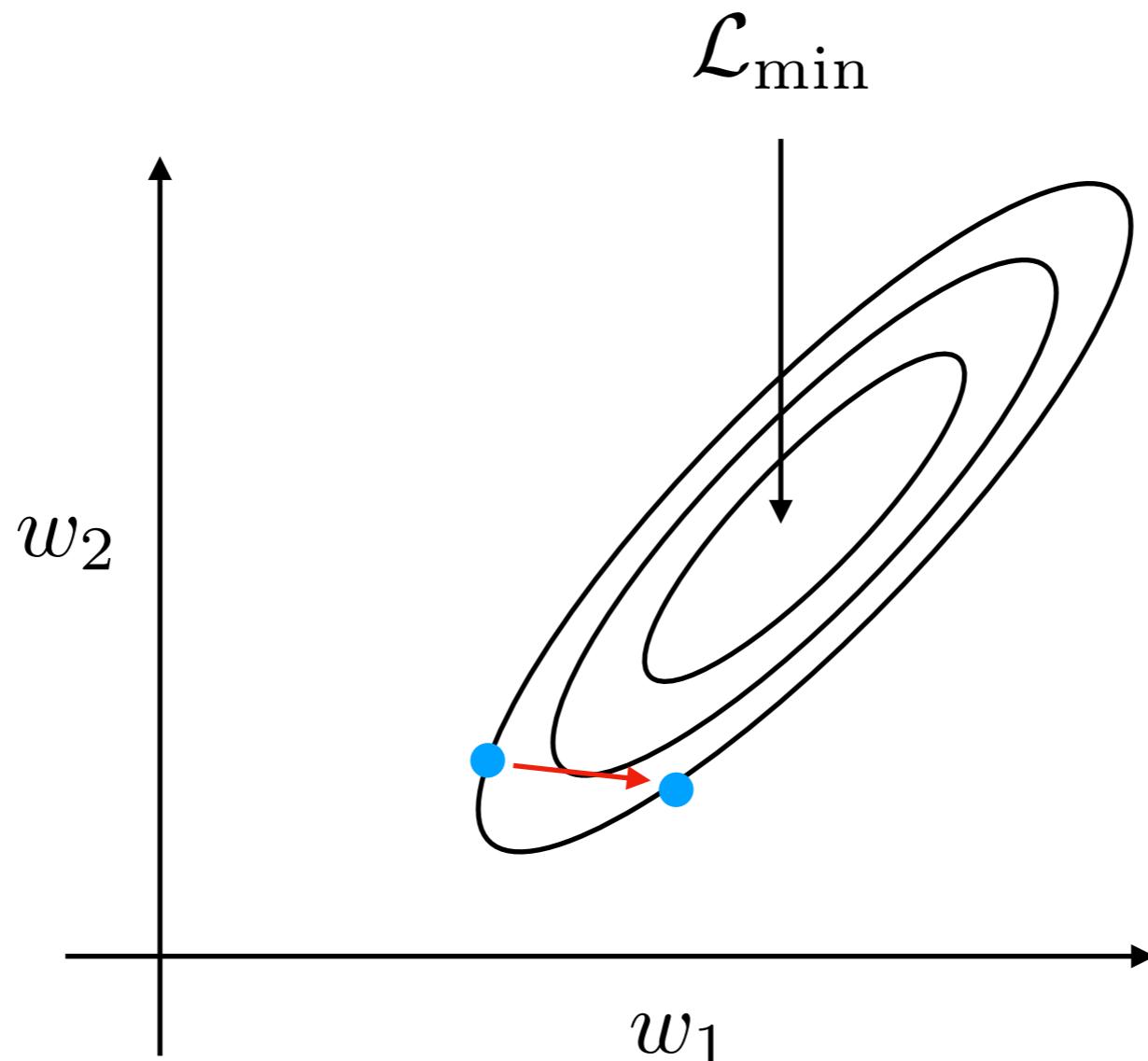


# Stochastic Gradient Descent as Surface Plot



Stochastic updates are a bit noisier, because each batch is an approximation of the overall loss on the training set  
(later, in deep neural nets, we will see why noisier updates are actually helpful)

# Batch Gradient Descent as Surface Plot



If inputs are on very different scales  
some weights will update more than  
others ... and it will also harm convergence  
(always normalize inputs!)

<https://github.com/rasbt/stat453-deep-learning-ss20/blob/master/extras/good-and-or-common-questions/L05-faq.pdf>

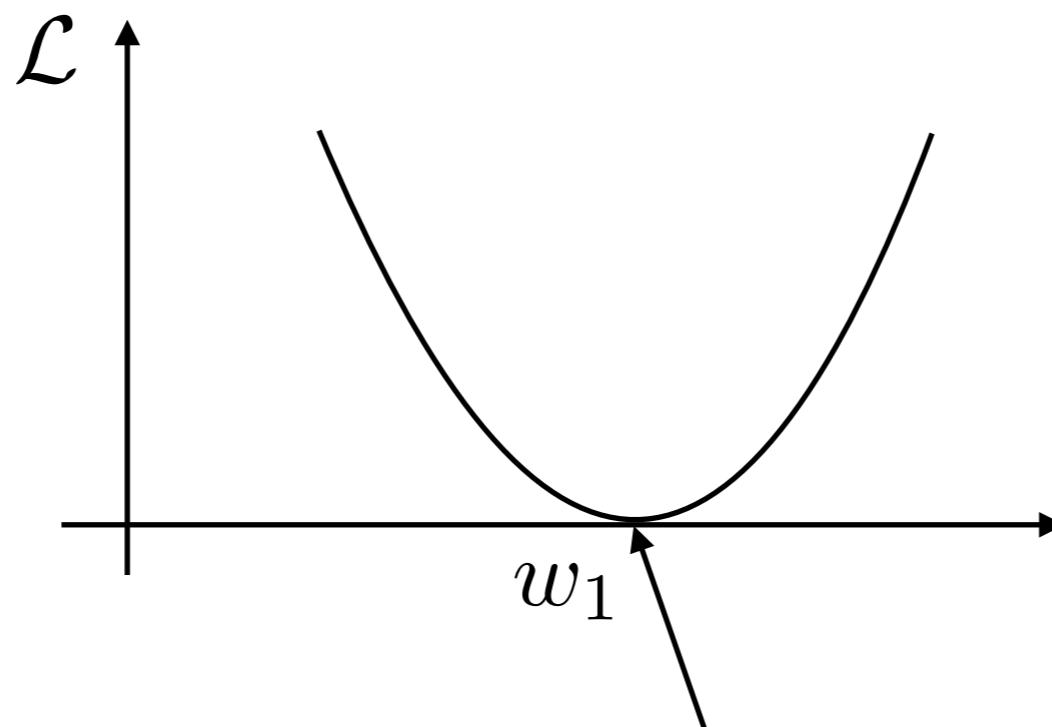
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# Follow-up Explanations 1 (From Office Hours)

Why is the Loss convex?

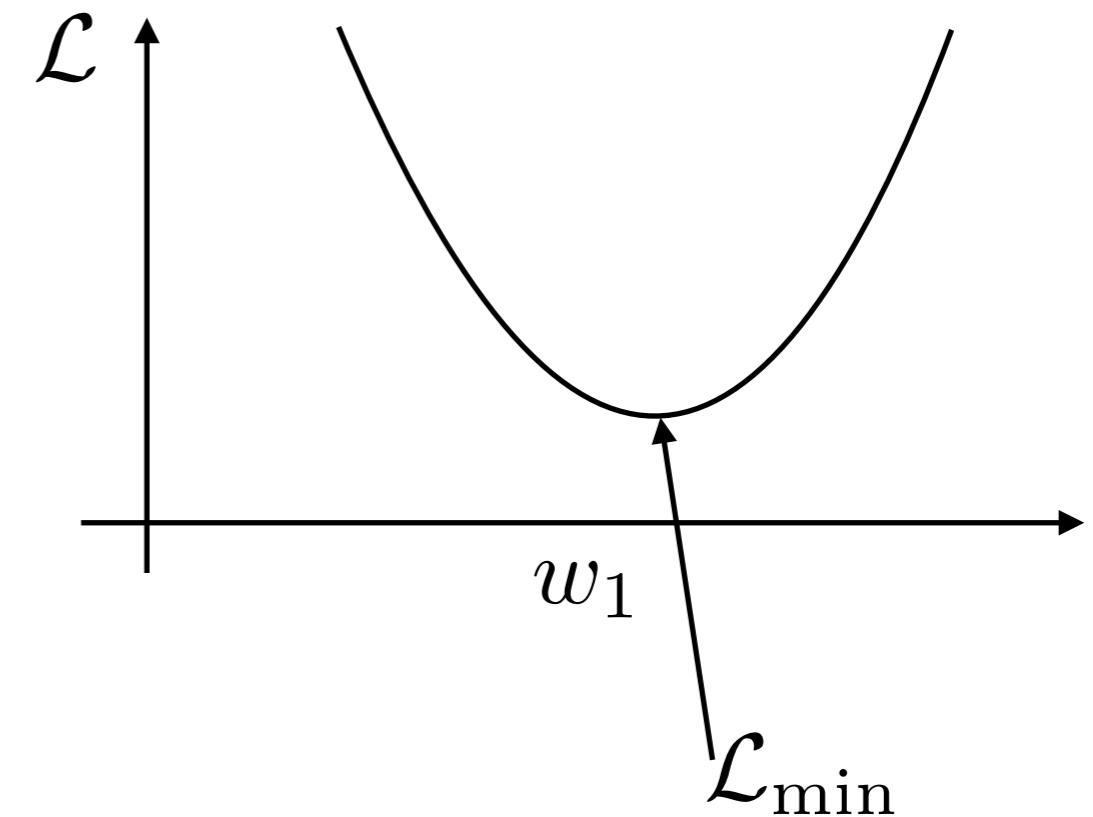
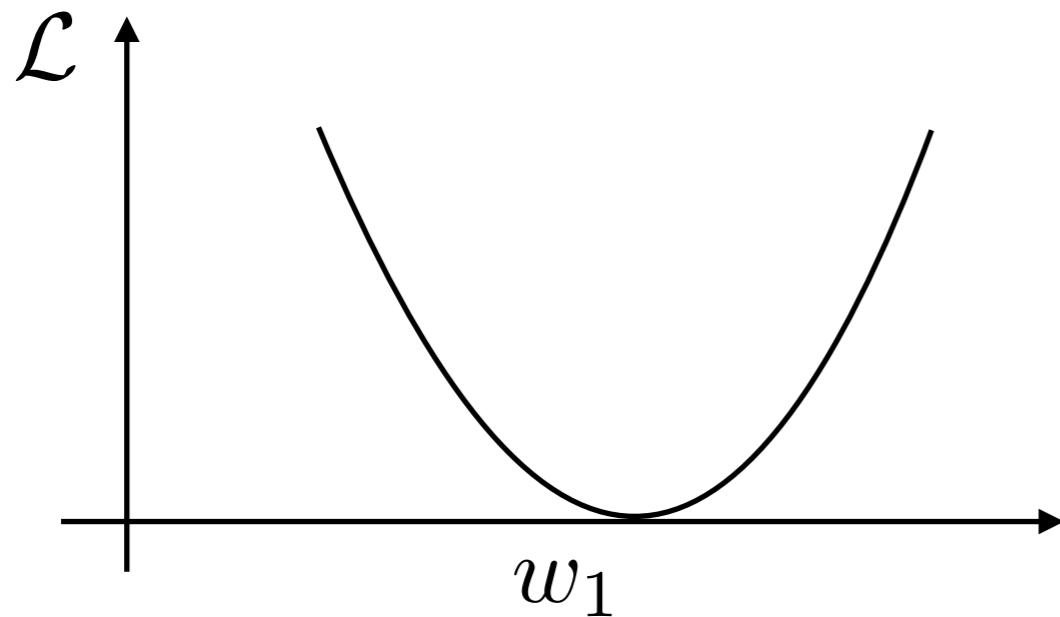
Because we assumed it's the  
Sum Squared Error (SSE) or Mean Squared Error (MSE)  
(Not every loss is convex.)

$$SSE(y, \hat{y}) = \sum_i (y - \hat{y})^2$$



In Adaline (or linear regression), the SSE is 0 if we have a weight such that  $y = \hat{y}$  for all  $y$  and  $\hat{y}$ . Also, note that the loss is symmetric because of the exponent "2."

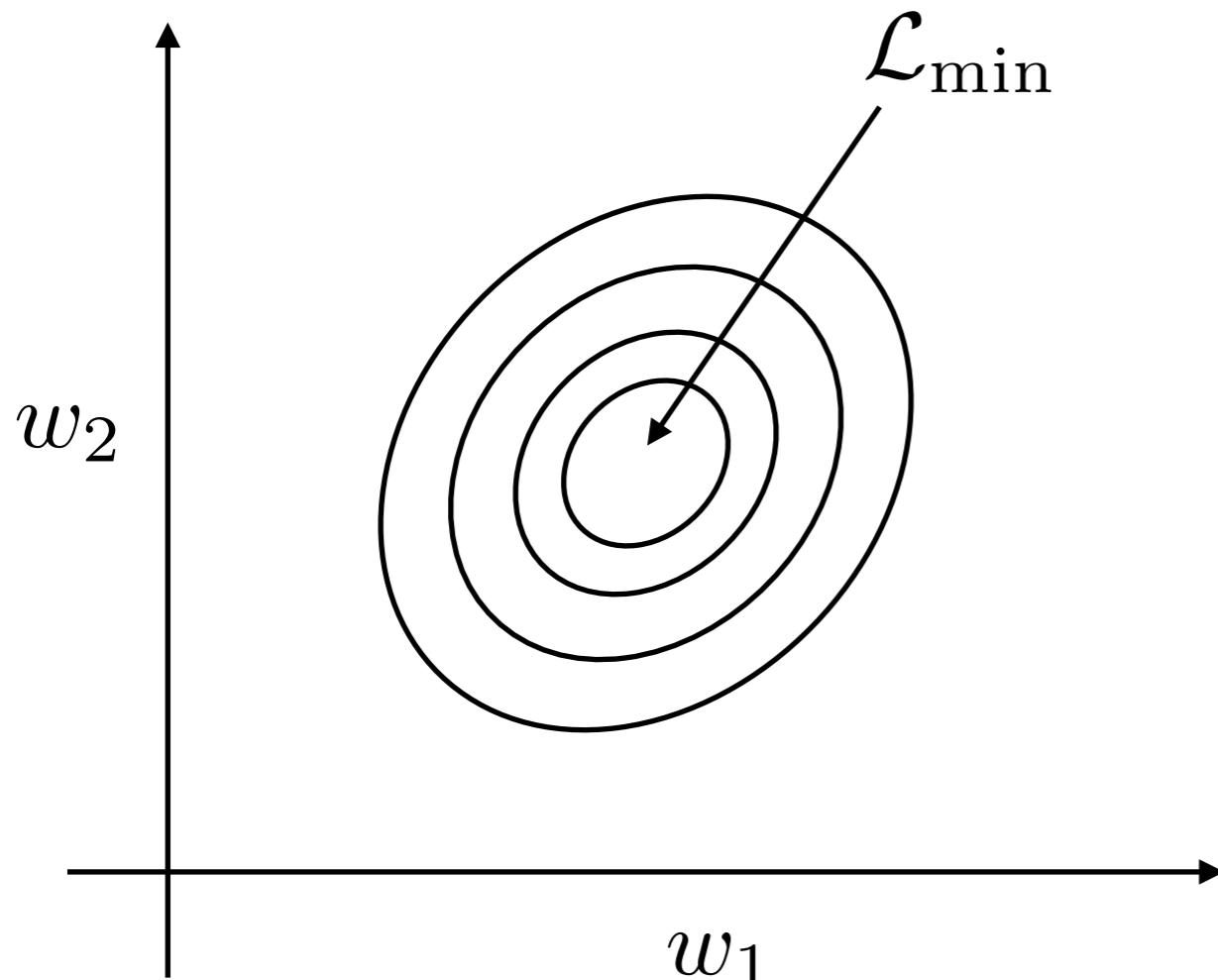
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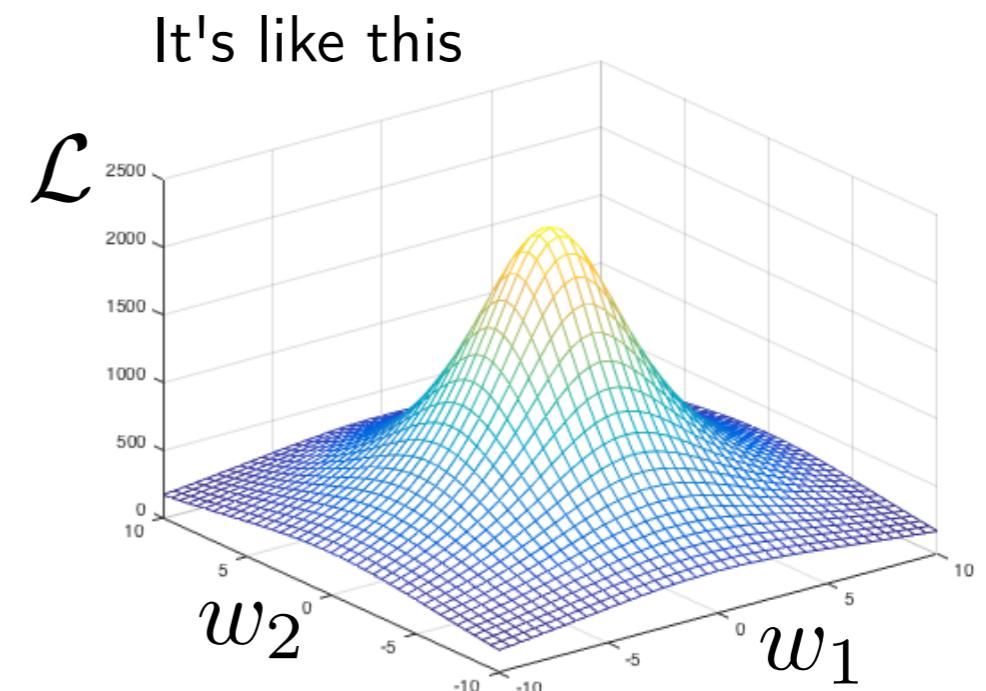
Esp. for linear models, it is often not possible to achieve a zero loss even on the training data

# Follow-up Explanations 3 (From Office Hours)

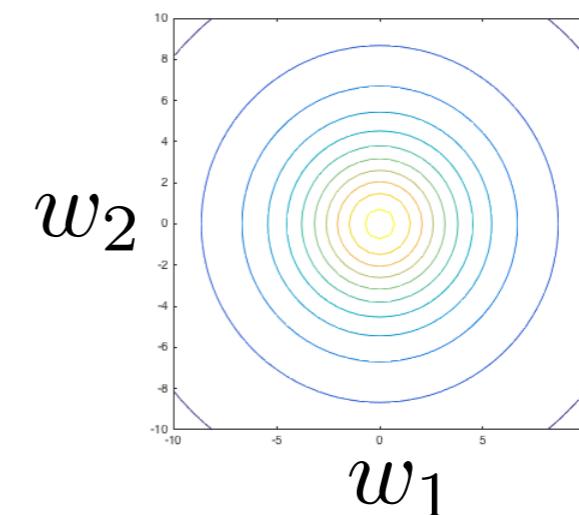
What does this figure mean/show?



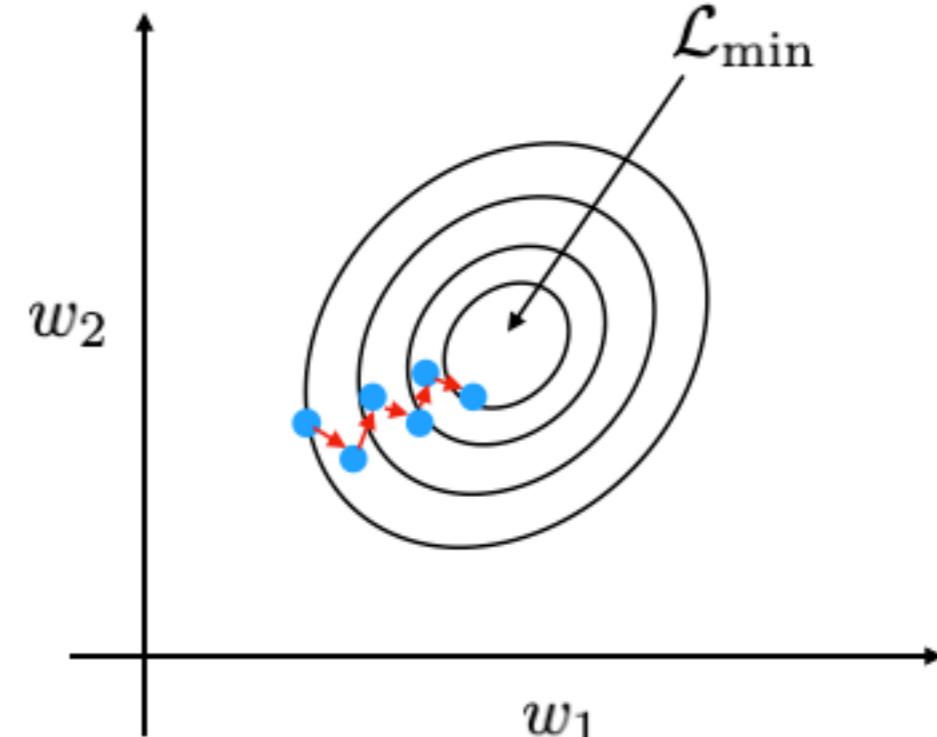
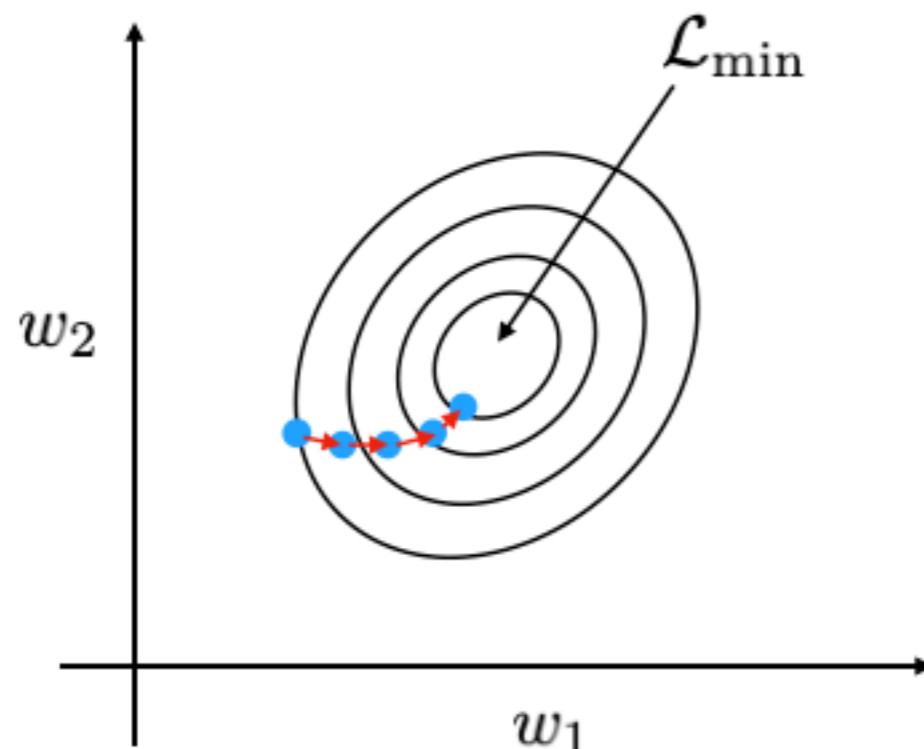
It's simply showing the loss plot (previous slide) for 2 instead of 1 weight



It's like this but flattened



# Follow-up Explanations 4 (From Office Hours)



Why is stochastic (on-line or minibatch) noisier than batch ("whole-training-set") gradient descent?

# Follow-up Explanations 5 (From Office Hours)

Why is stochastic (on-line or minibatch) noisier than batch ("whole-training-set") gradient descent?

1. Imagine you are a scientist who develops a new pharmaceutical drug.
2. You want to know its average efficiency to further improve the formula.
3. In order to know the average effectiveness, you would have to test this on all patients in the world.
4. This would be very expensive and take a long time before you get feedback! (Like "batch gradient descent").
5. Instead, you select a smaller group of patients (like a "minibatch").
6. Your estimate will be an estimate of the true average effectiveness. The larger the sample size, the better your estimate but the higher the cost; assume a certain sample size is enough such that the estimate is accurate enough that it will point you in the right direction when developing your drug...

# ADALINE

## Widrow and Hoff's ADALINE (1960)

A nicely differentiable neuron model

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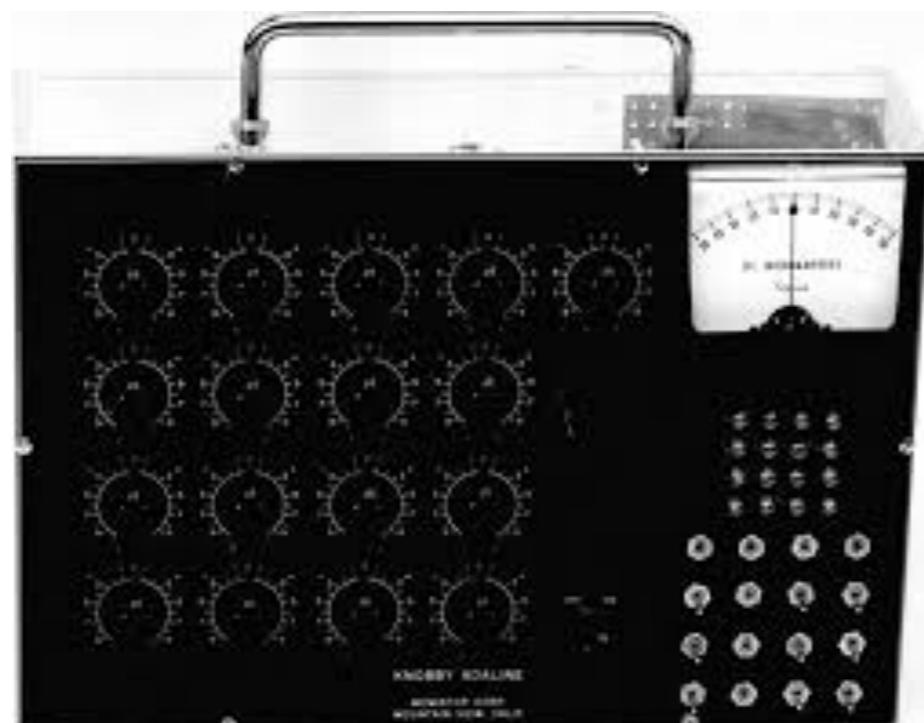
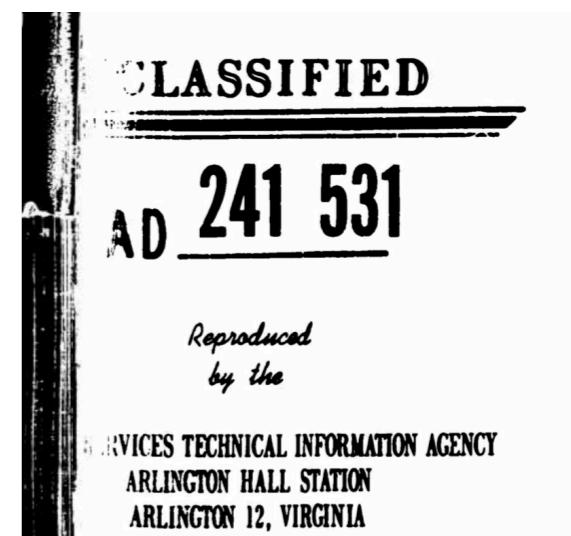


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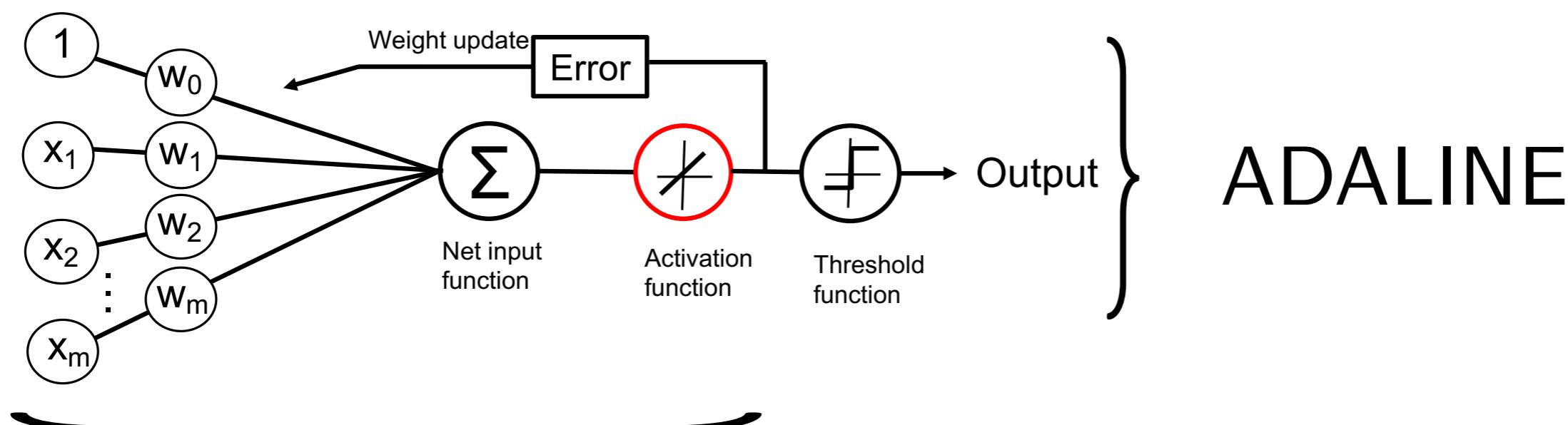
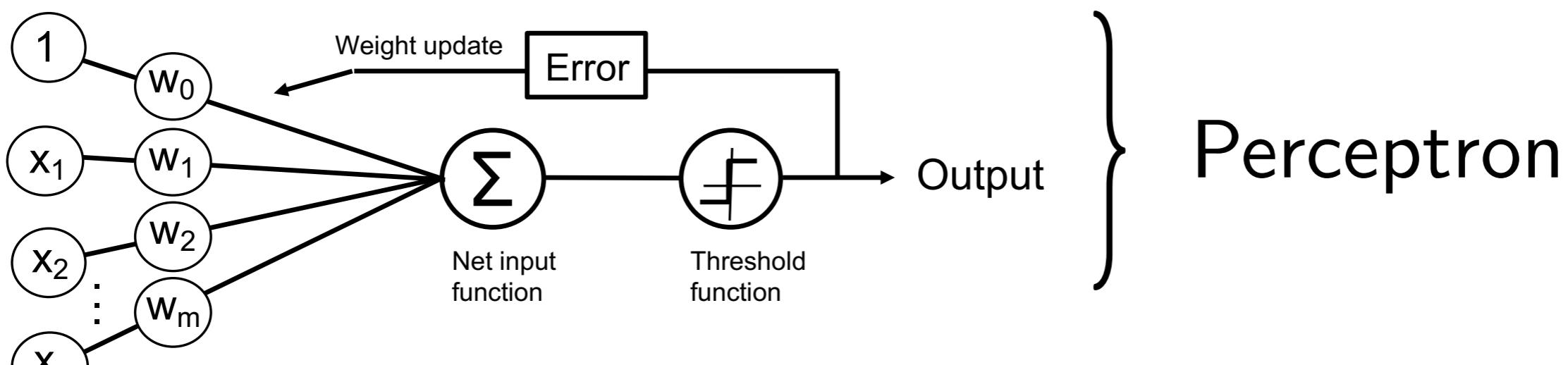
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# ADALINE

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Linear Regression

# Code Examples

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tree/master/L05-grad-descent/code](https://github.com/rasbt/stat453-deep-learning-ss20/tree/master/L05-grad-descent/code)

(if link does not work yet, I haven't finished the examples; will do so soon)

# Reading Assignments

## Single-layer artificial neural networks

S. Raschka. *Python Machine Learning* (1st, 2nd, or 3rd ed.): Chapter 2

## Calculus refresher

[https://sebastianraschka.com/pdf/books/dlb/appendix\\_d\\_calculus.pdf](https://sebastianraschka.com/pdf/books/dlb/appendix_d_calculus.pdf)

## Fitting a model via closed-form equations vs. Gradient

Descent vs Stochastic Gradient Descent vs Mini-Batch  
Learning. What is the difference?

<https://sebastianraschka.com/faq/docs/closed-form-vs-gd.html>

Next Lecture:

Neurons with non-linear activation functions