

Lecture 05

Fitting Neurons with Gradient Descent

STAT 479: Deep Learning, Spring 2019

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

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.

<https://twitter.com/hardmaru/status/876303574900264960>

Also known as "graduate student descent"

Our Goals

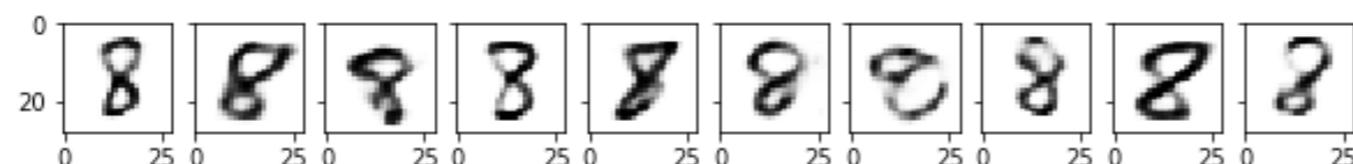
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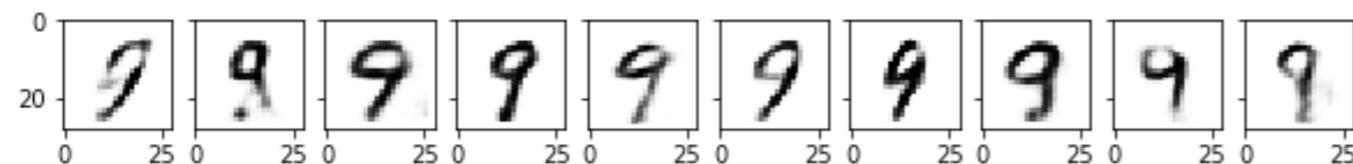
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: model.eval()  
logits, probas = model(features.to(device)[0, None])  
print('Probability Female %.2f%%' % (probas[0][0]*100))  
Probability Female 99.71%
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Class Label 9



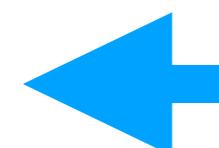
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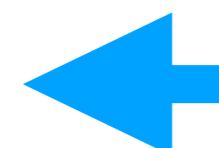
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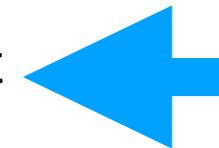
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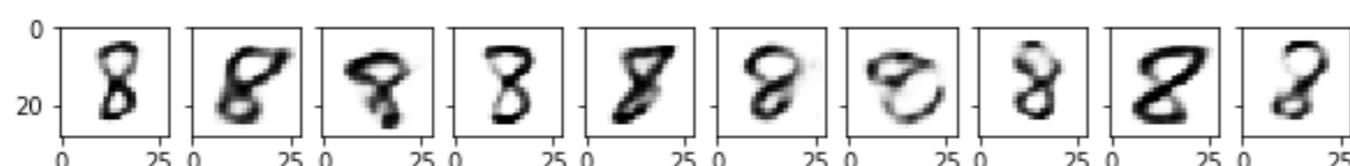


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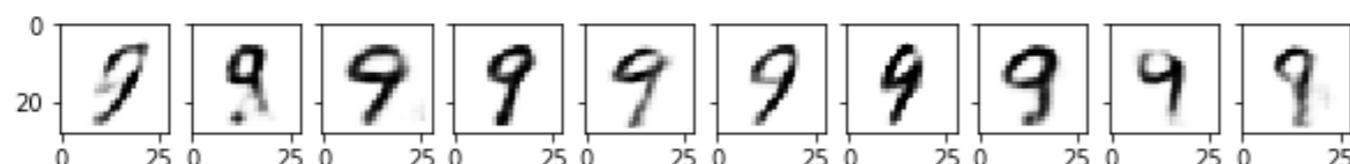


More towards the end of the course

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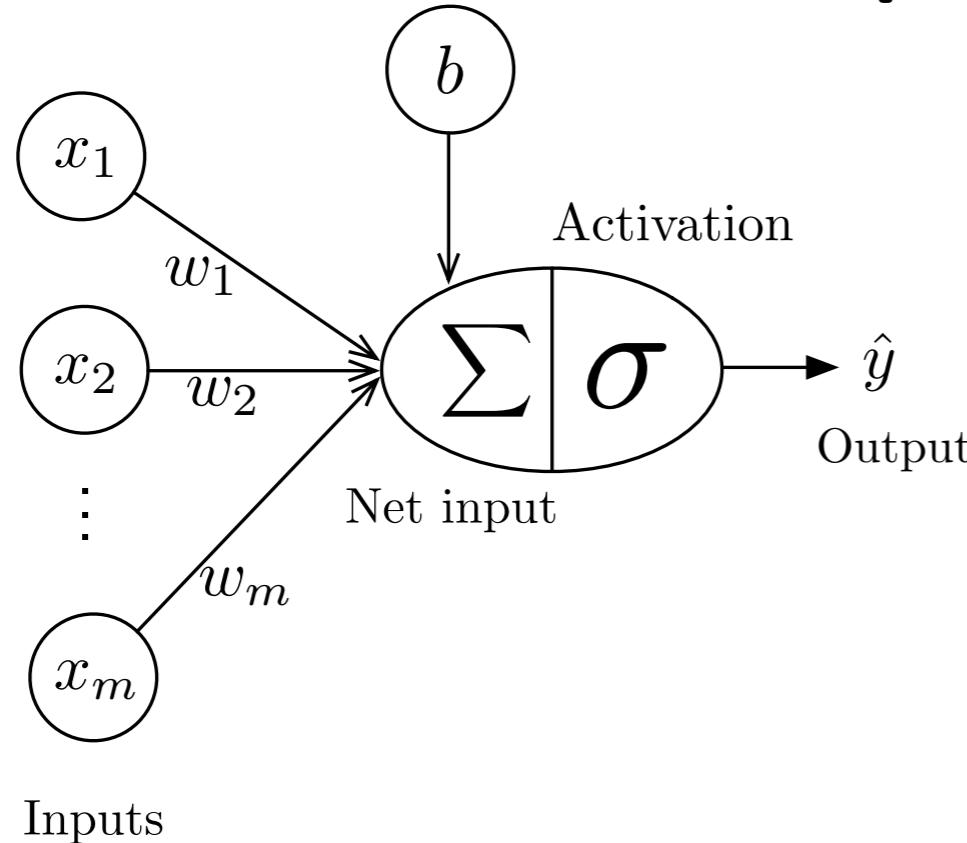
All based on the same learning algorithm and extensions thereof.

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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In practice, we usually shuffle the dataset prior to each epoch to prevent cycles

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"On-line" mode II (alternative)

1. Initialize $\mathbf{w} := 0^{m-1}$, $\mathbf{b} := 0$

2. For t iterations:

A. Pick random $\langle \mathbf{x}^{[i]}, y^{[i]} \rangle \in \mathcal{D}$:

(a) Compute output (prediction)

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"semi"-stochastic

stochastic
(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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 - A. Initialize $\Delta\mathbf{w} := 0, \Delta b := 0$
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The most common mode in deep learning. Any ideas why?

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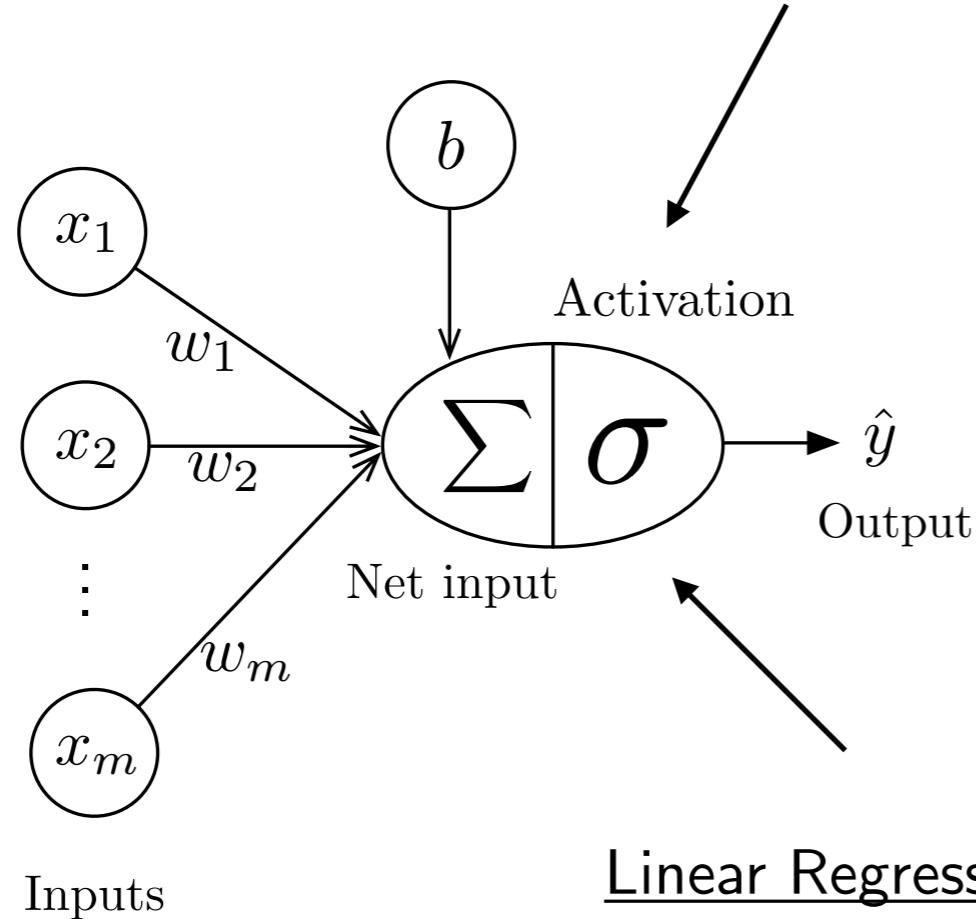
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Most commonly used in DL, because

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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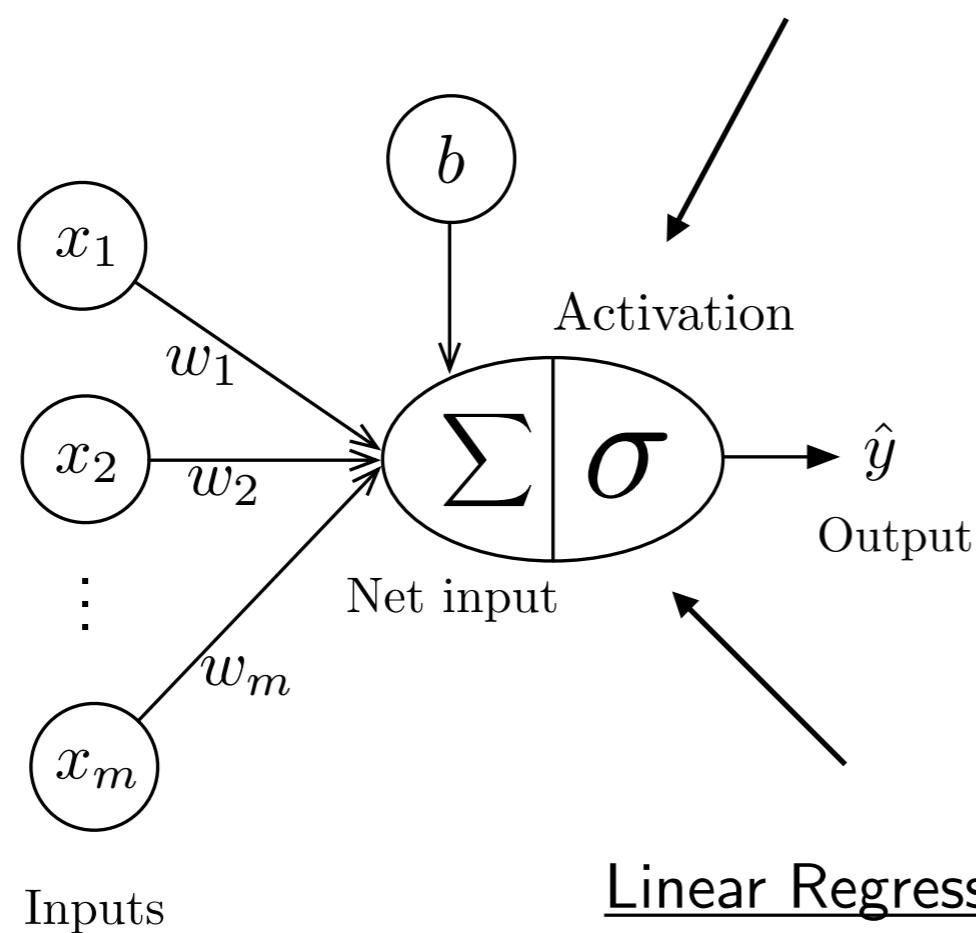
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You can think of this as a
linear neuron!

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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

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- A very naive way to fit a linear regression model (and any neural net) is to start with all-zero or random parameters
- Then, for k rounds
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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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learning rate

negative gradient

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For-Loop

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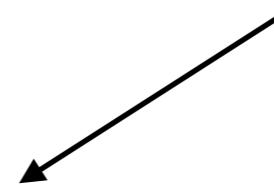
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Coincidentally, this appears almost to be the same as the perceptron rule, except that the prediction is a real number and we have a learning rate



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

So, how did we get there?

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Due next Thursday (Feb 21) 11:59 pm

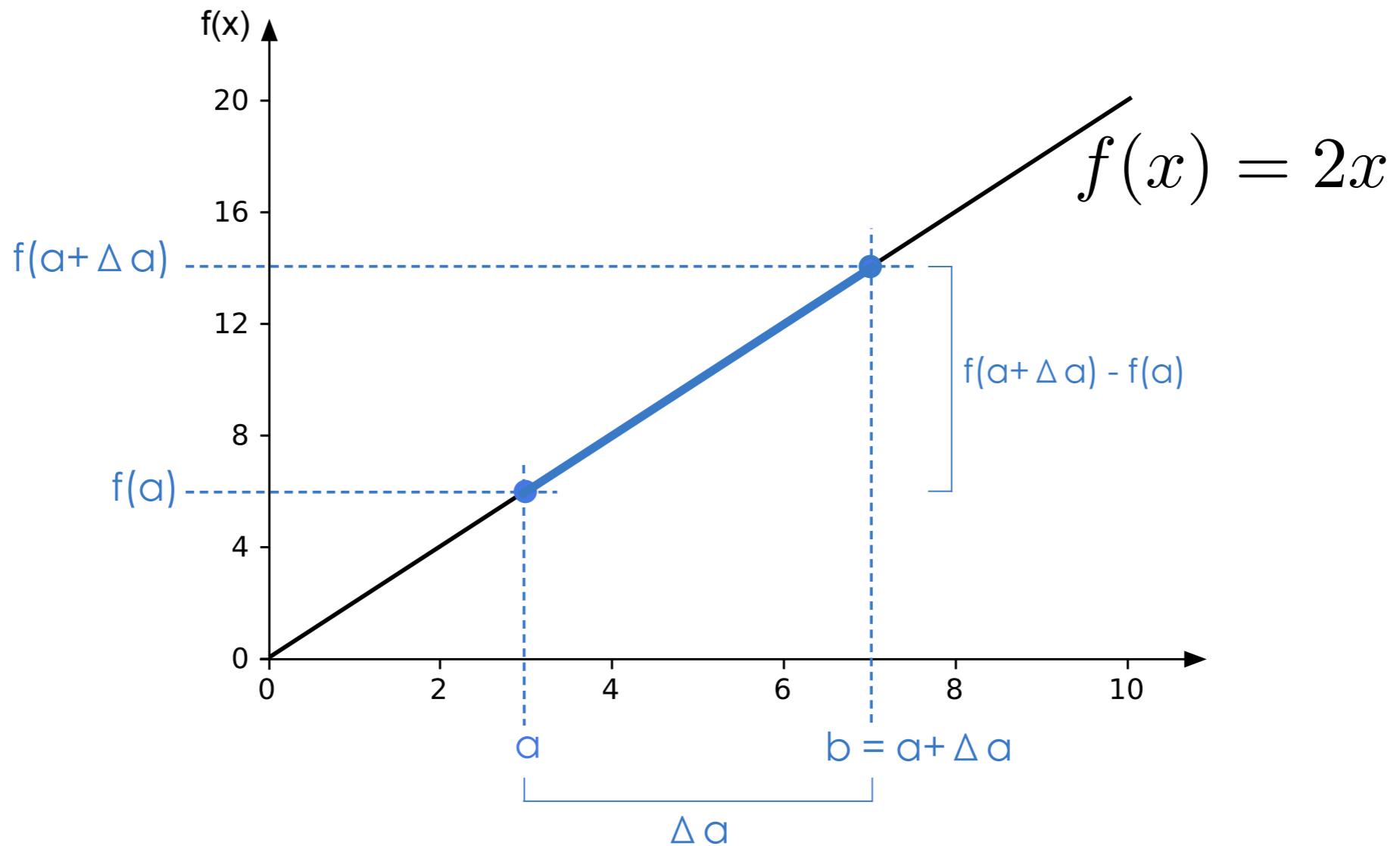
<https://github.com/rasbt/stat479-deep-learning-ss19/blob/master/hw2/hw2.ipynb>

(explain LaTeX editing)

**First, let's briefly cover relevant background
info ...**

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: $f(x) = 2x$

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

Numerical vs Analytical/Symbolical Derivatives

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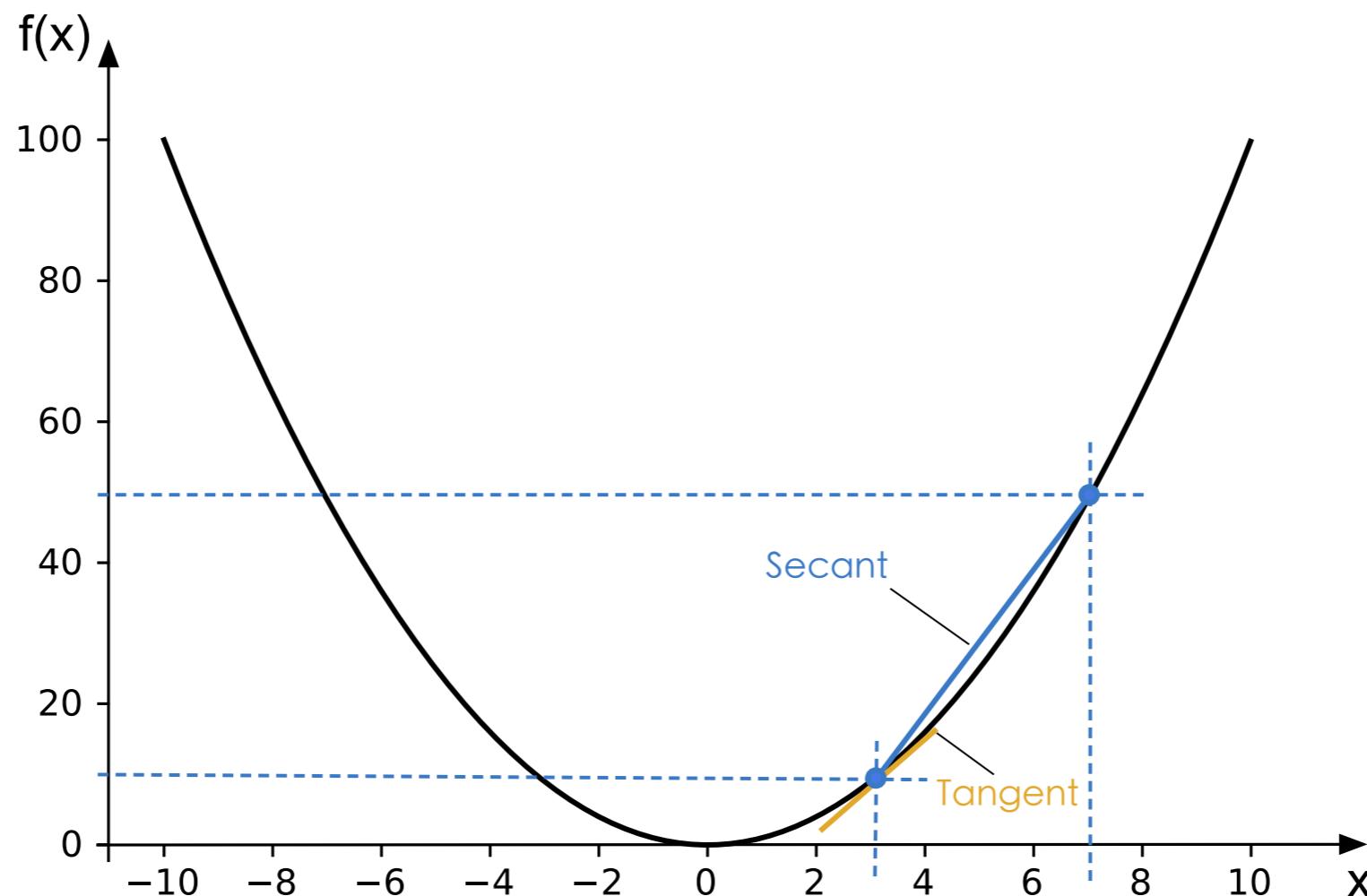
Example 2: $f(x) = x^2$

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

Numerical vs Analytical/Symbolical Derivatives

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

By approximating the slope (tangent) by a second 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 | $f(g(x))$ | $f'(g(x))g'(x)$ |

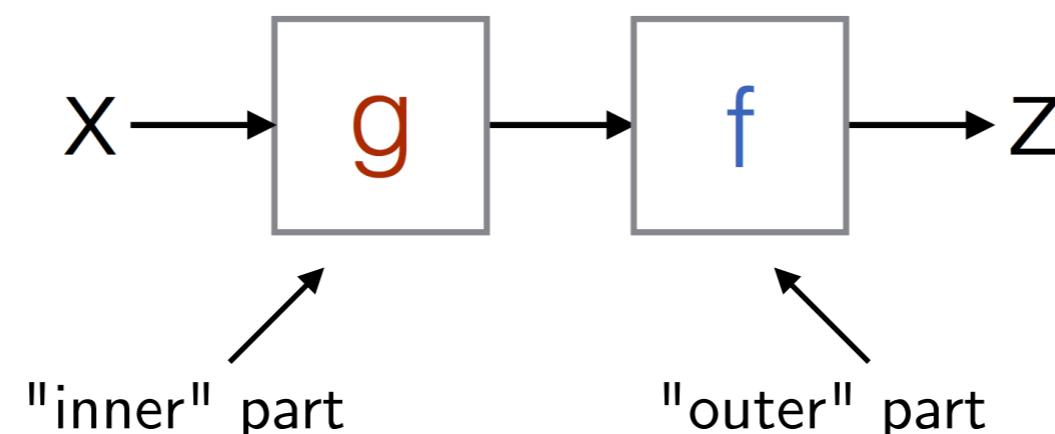
Chain Rule

- 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

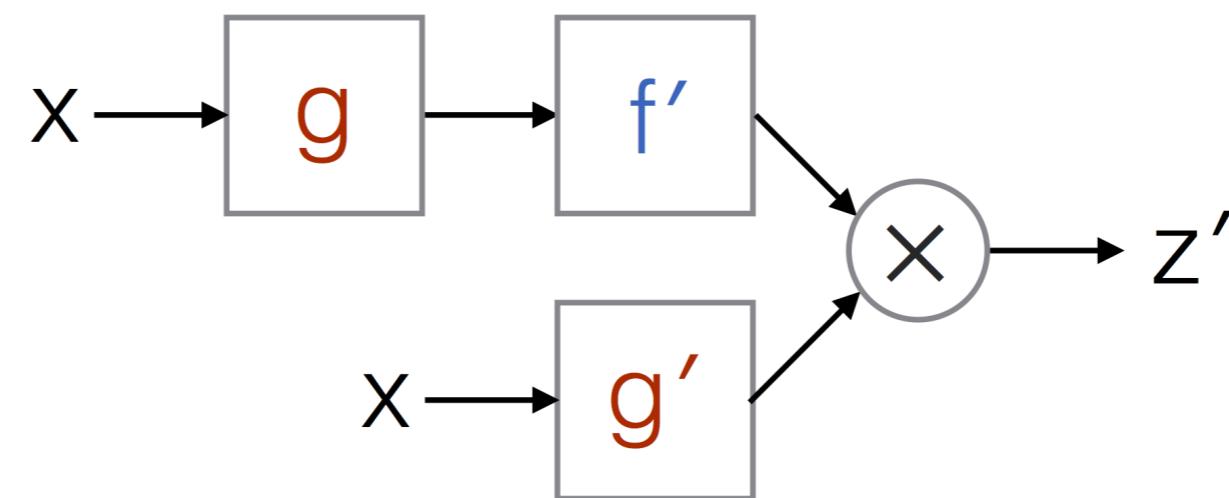
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Decomposition of some
(nested) function:



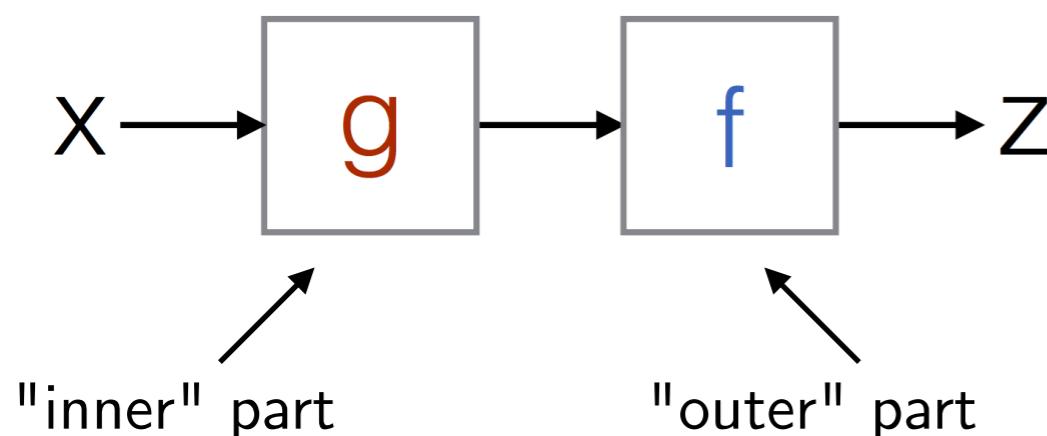
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Derivative of that nested
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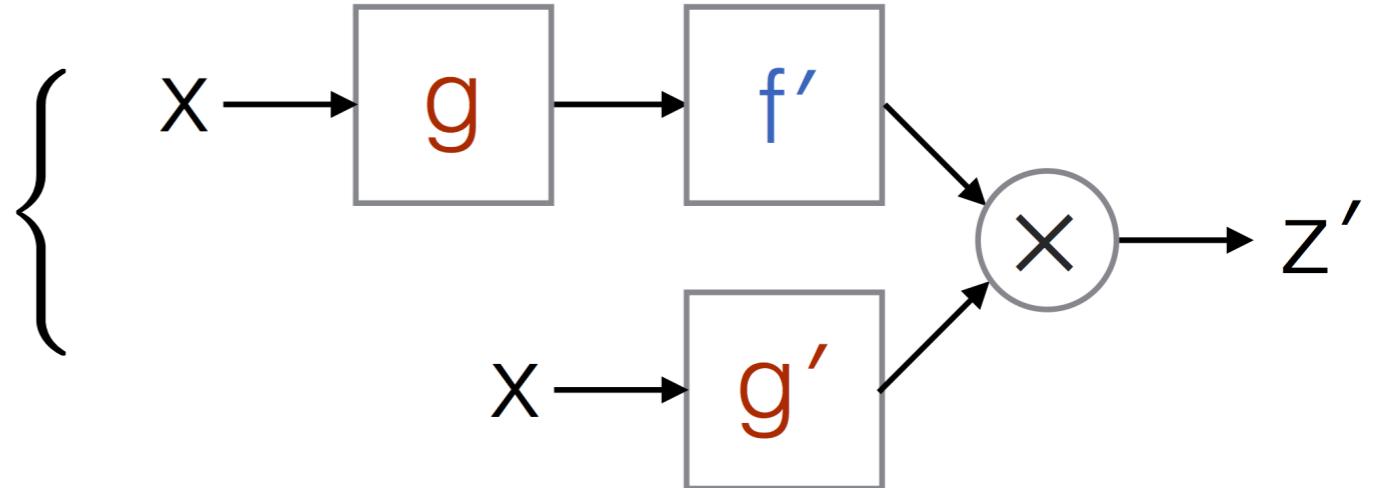
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} Later, we will see that PyTorch can do that automatically for us :)
(PyTorch literally keeps a computation graph in the background)

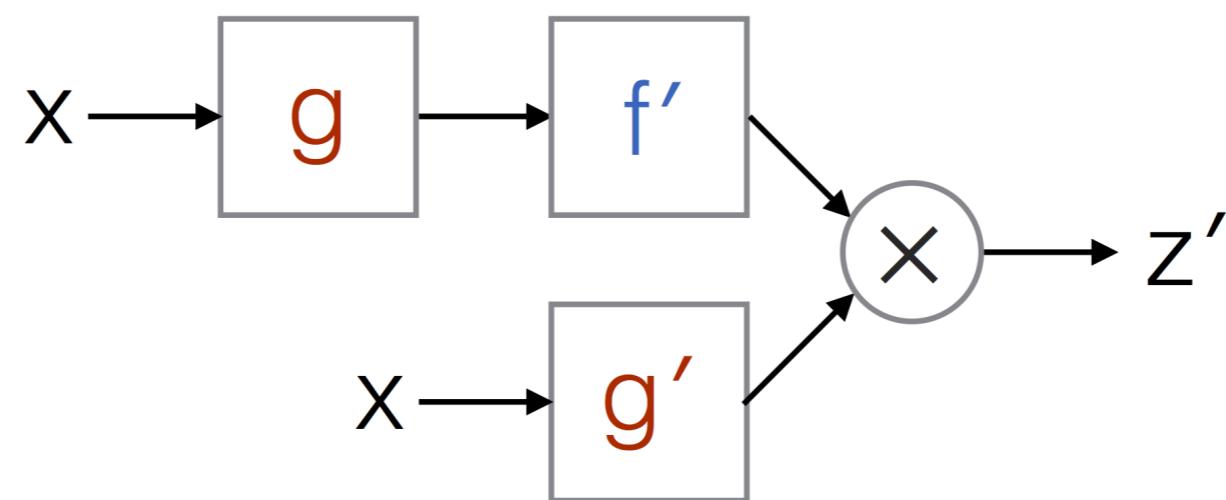
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Also, PyTorch can compute the derivatives of most (differentiable) functions automatically



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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

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

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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

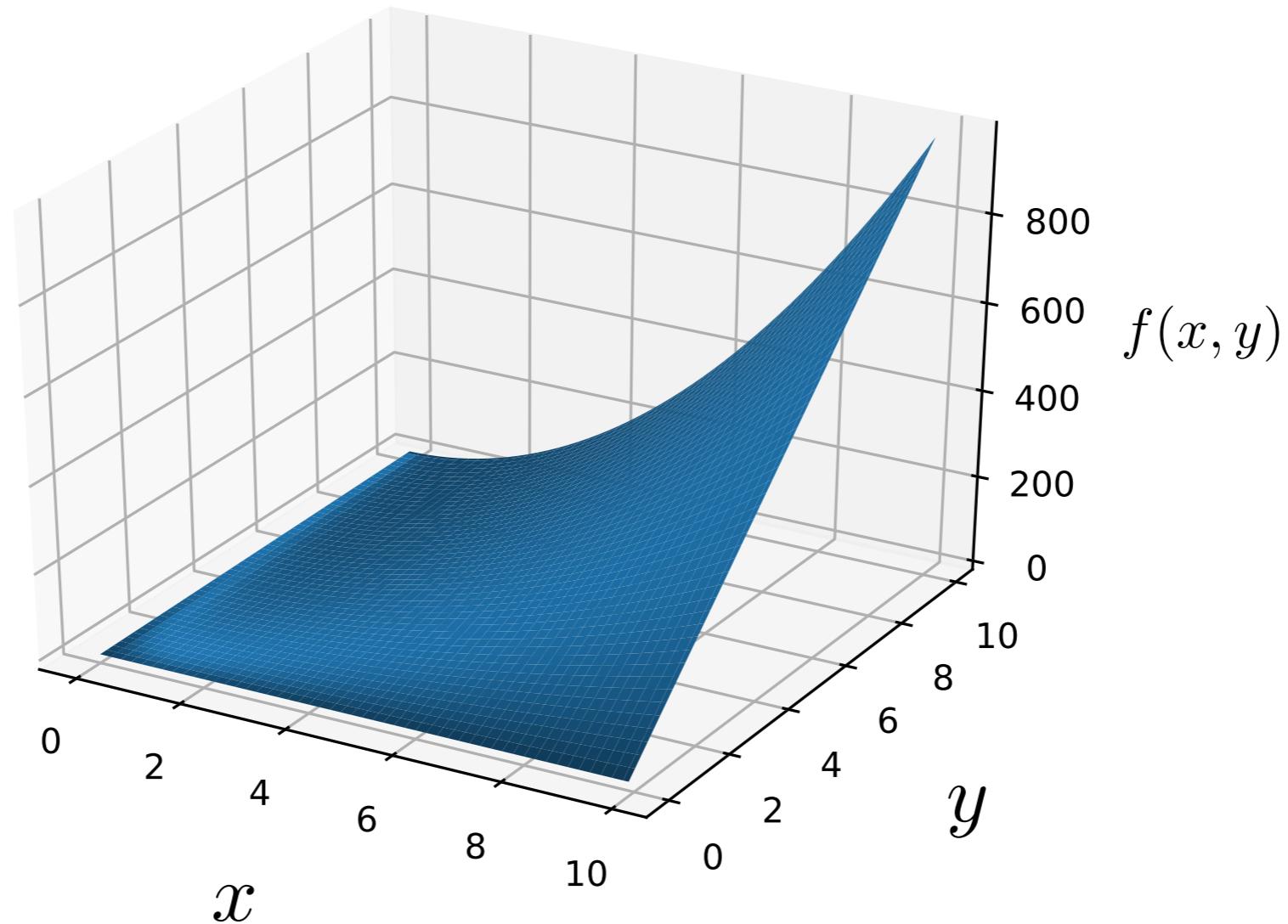
$$f(x, y, z, \dots)$$

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

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

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

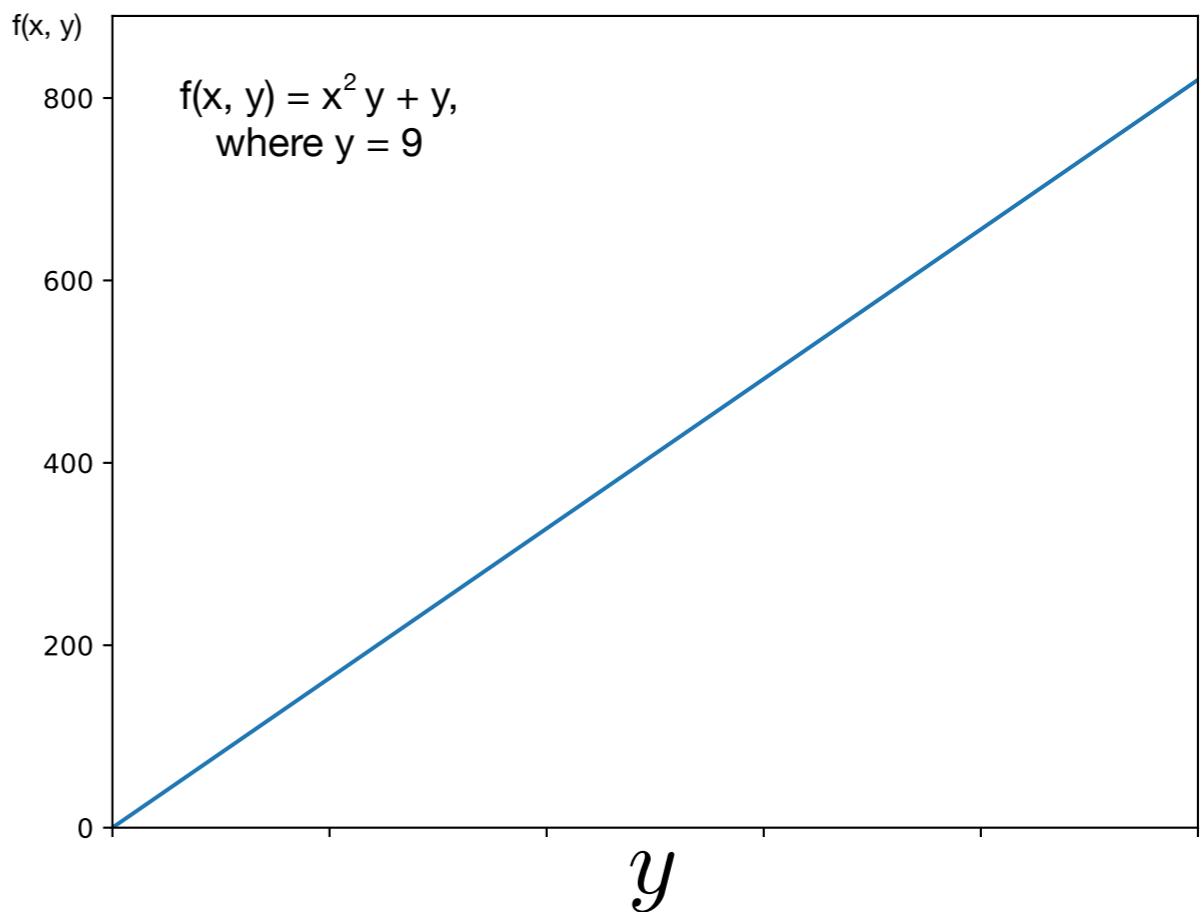
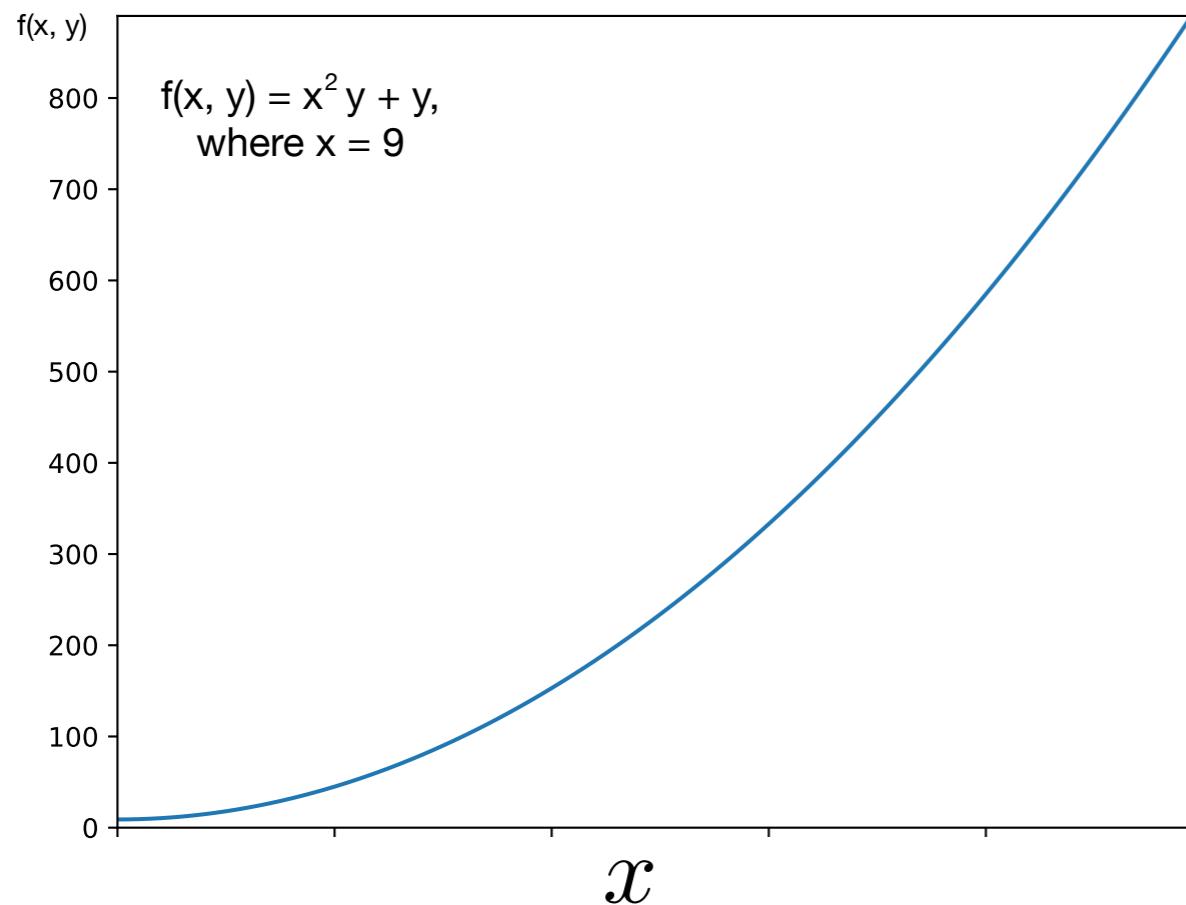
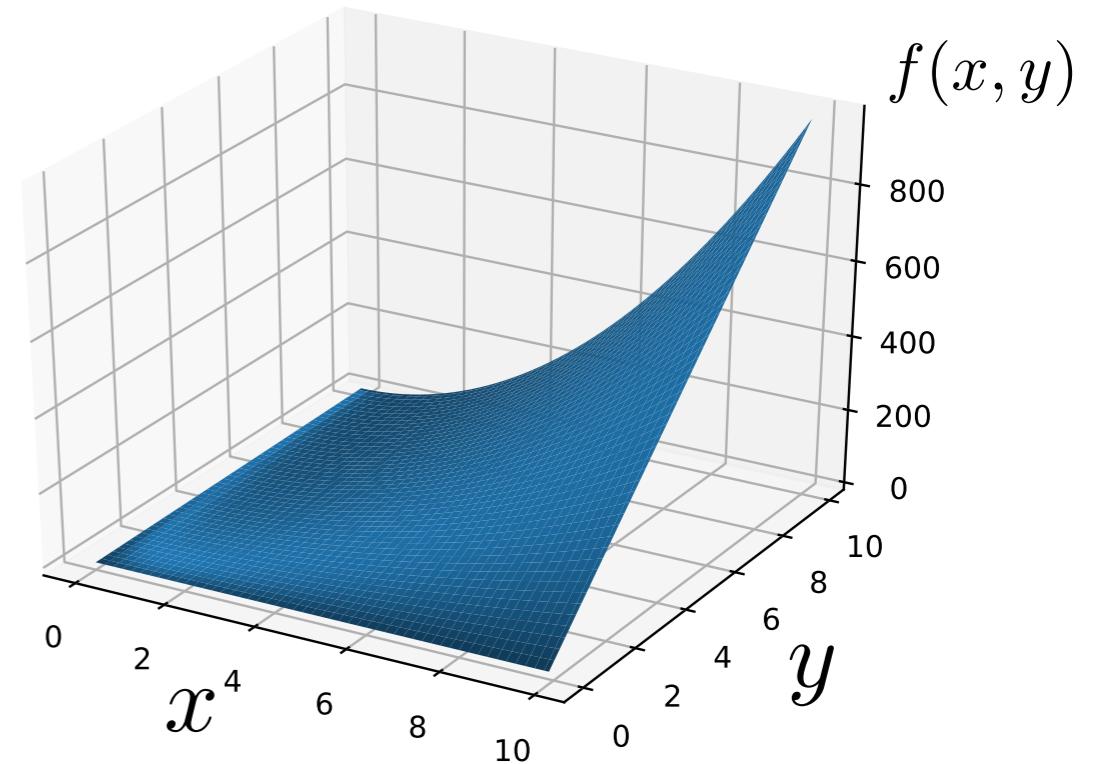
So, the gradient of the function f is defined as

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

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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 $h(x) = x^2$

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

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

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

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

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

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)

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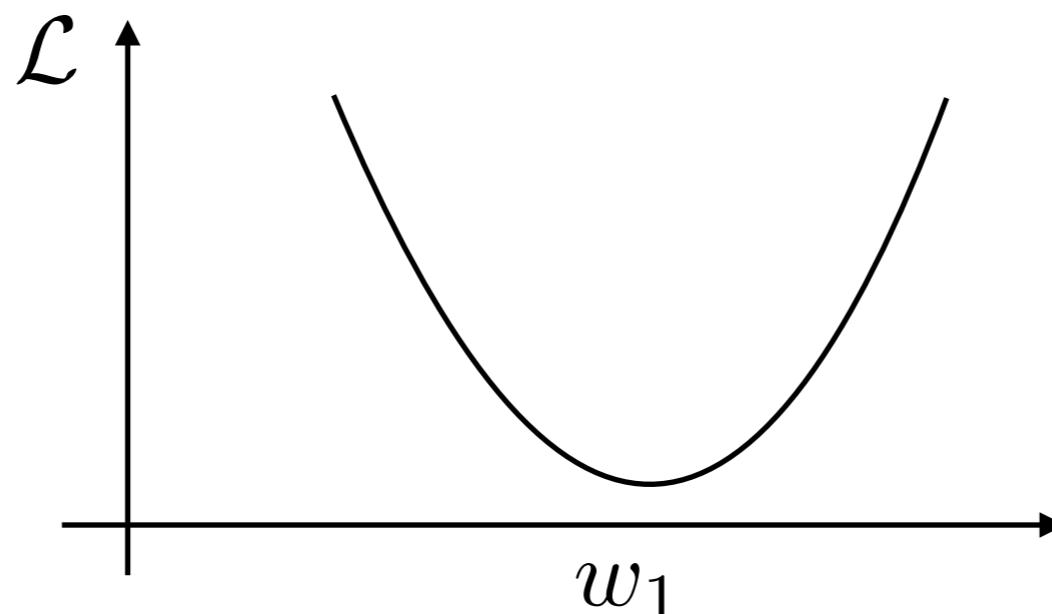
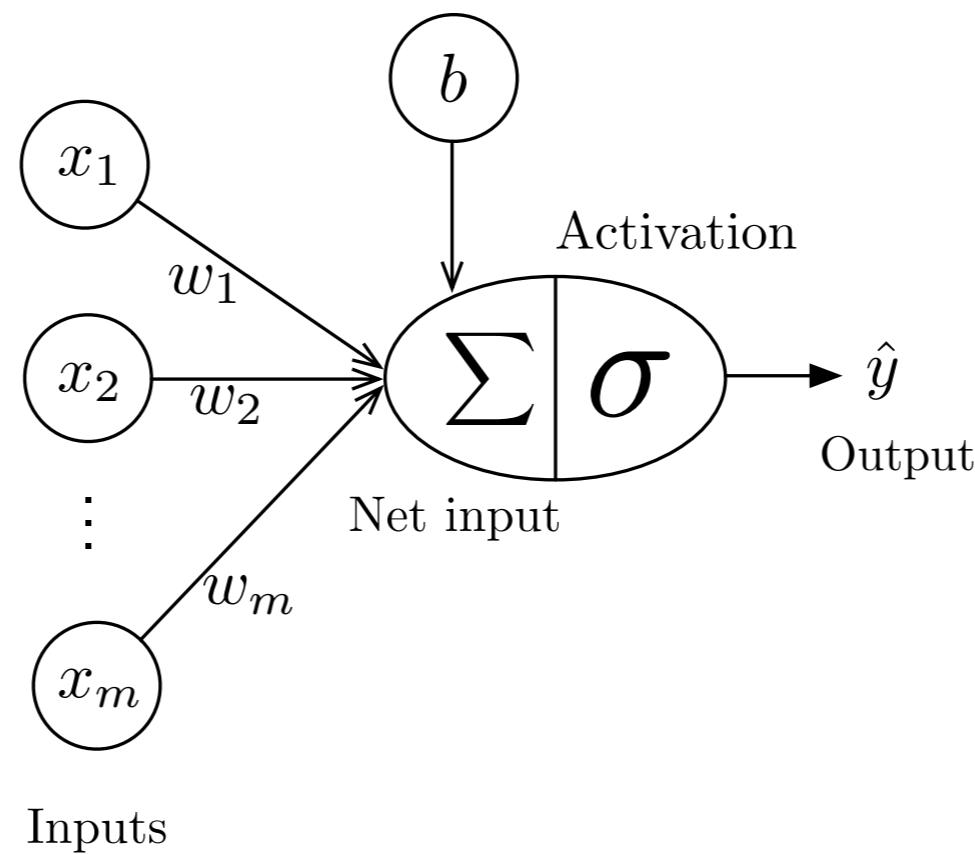
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Second Order Derivatives

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

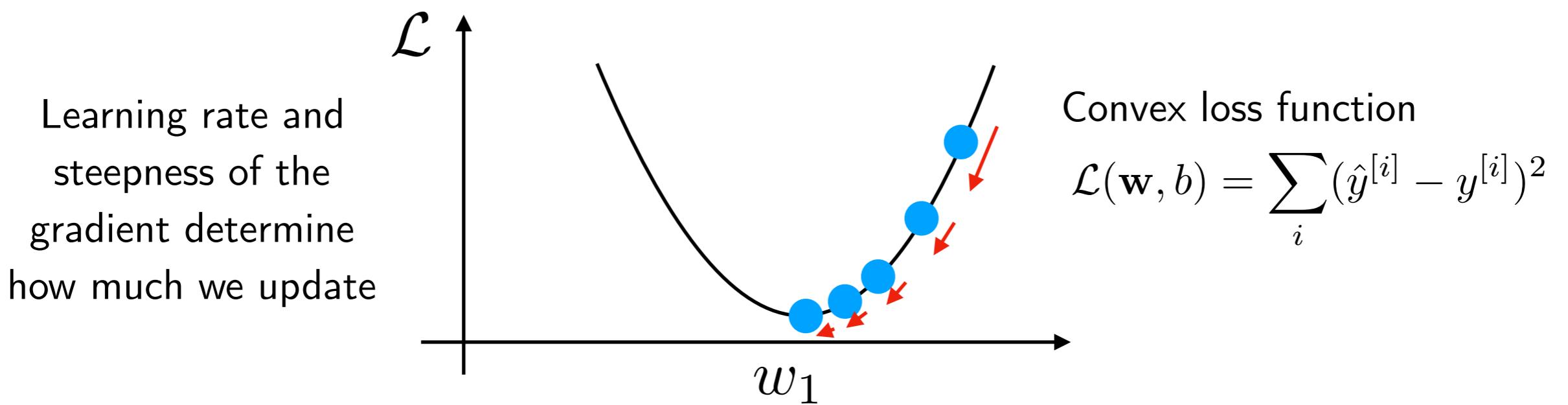
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Convex loss function

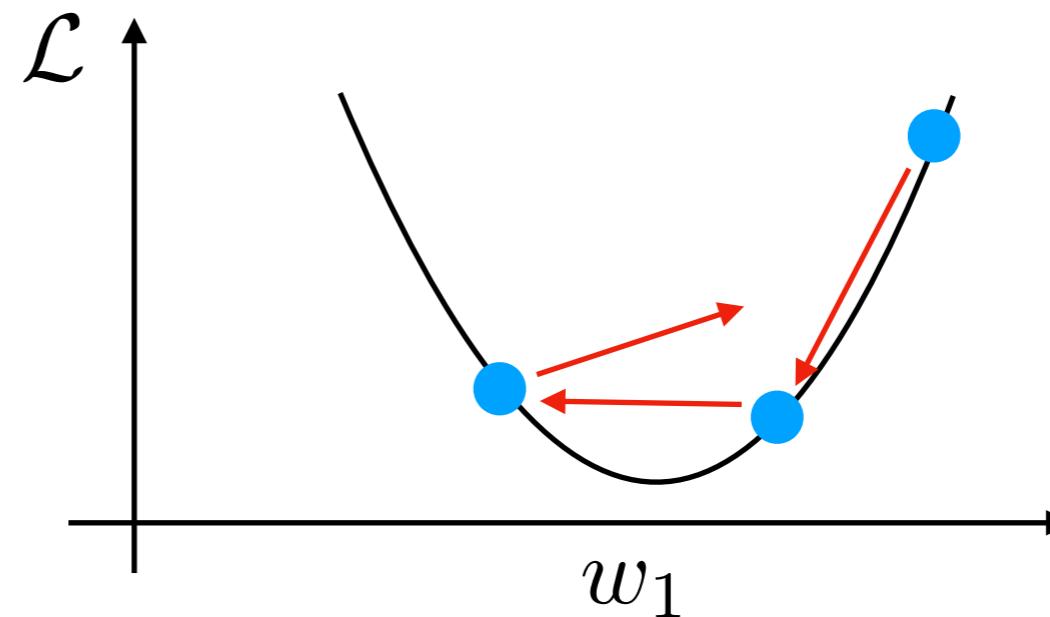
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Gradient Descent

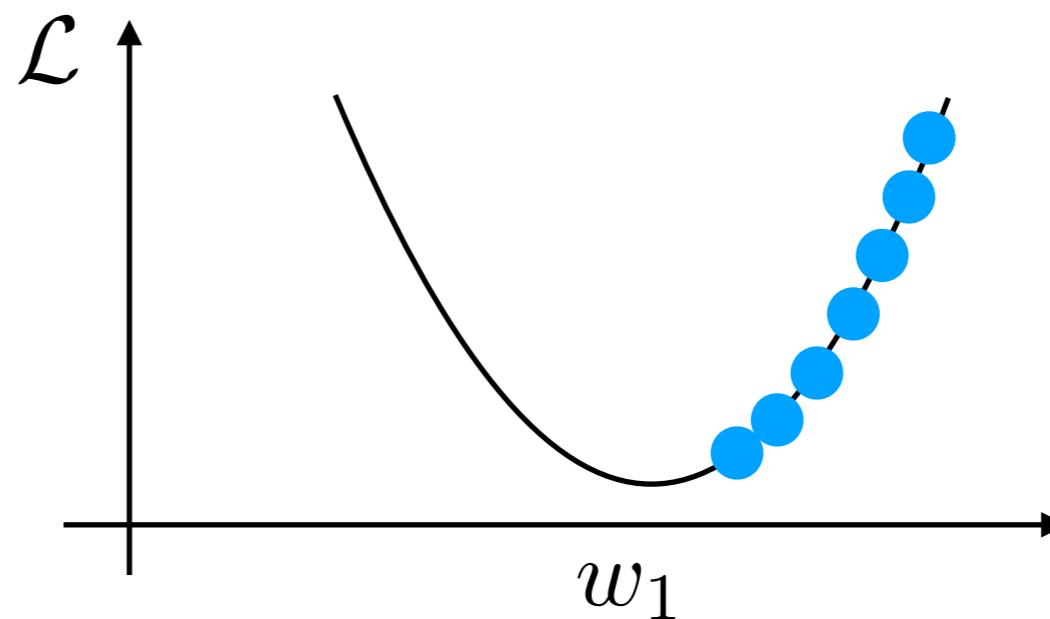


Gradient Descent

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

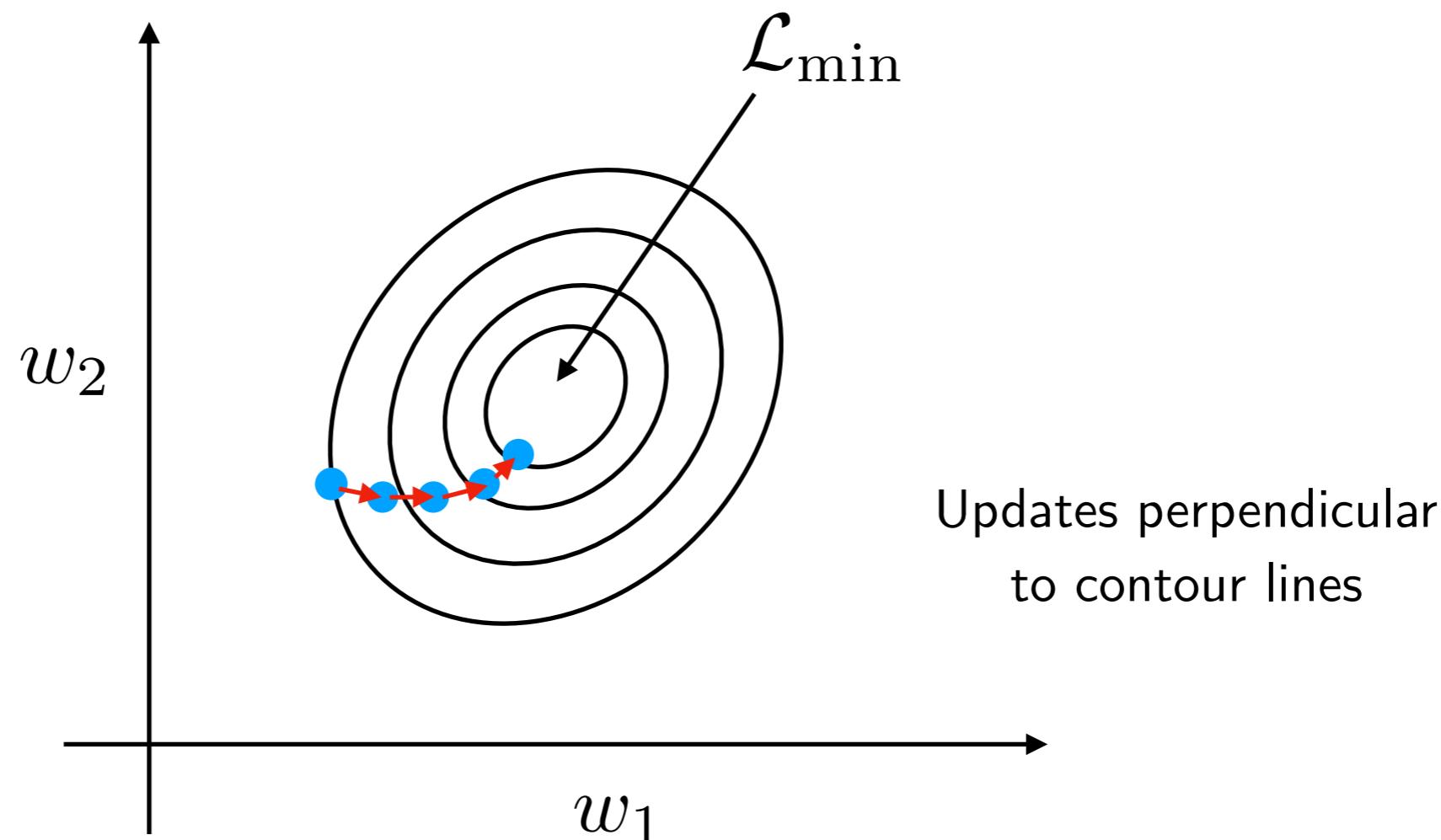
(mix between on-line and batch)

1. Initialize $\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{0}^{m-1}$, $\mathbf{b} := 0$
2. For every training epoch:
 - A. Initialize $\Delta\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{0}$, $\Delta b := 0$
 - 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 :
$$\mathbf{w} := \mathbf{w} + \Delta\mathbf{w}, b := b + \Delta b$$

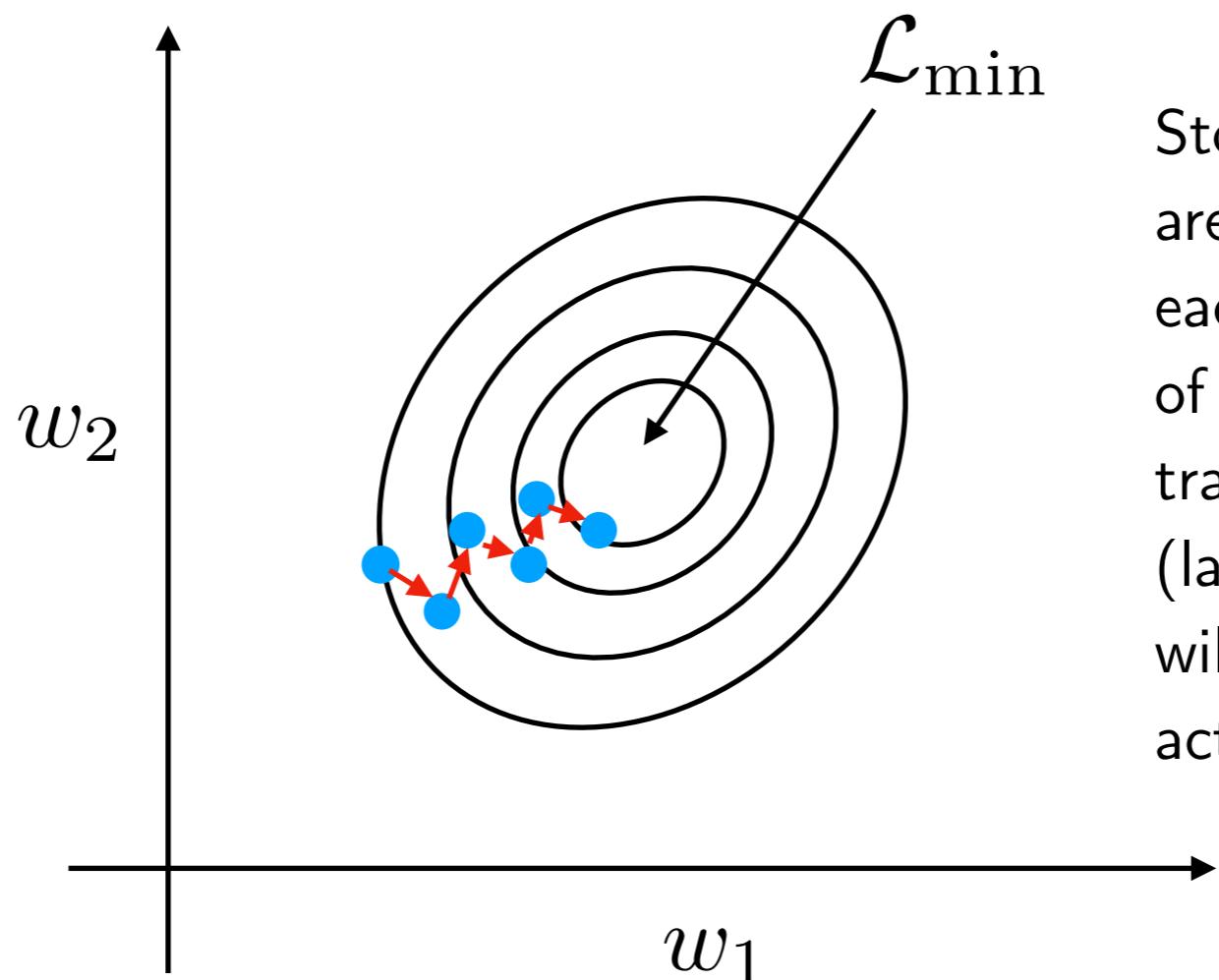
Most commonly used in DL, because

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

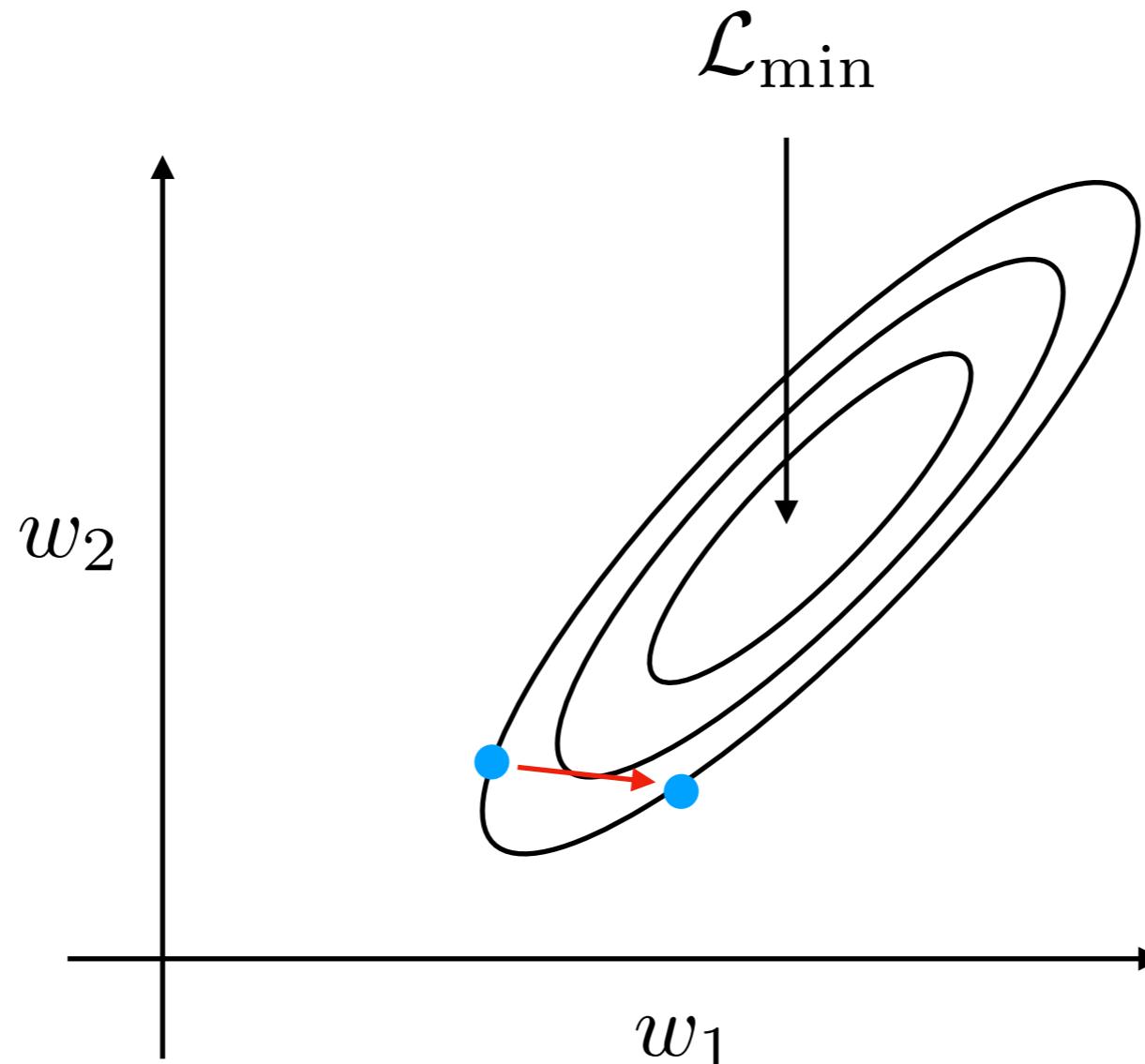


Stochastic Gradient Descent as Surface Plot



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!)

Linear Regression

Code example:

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ADALINE

Widrow and Hoff's ADALINE (1960)

A nicely differentiable neuron model

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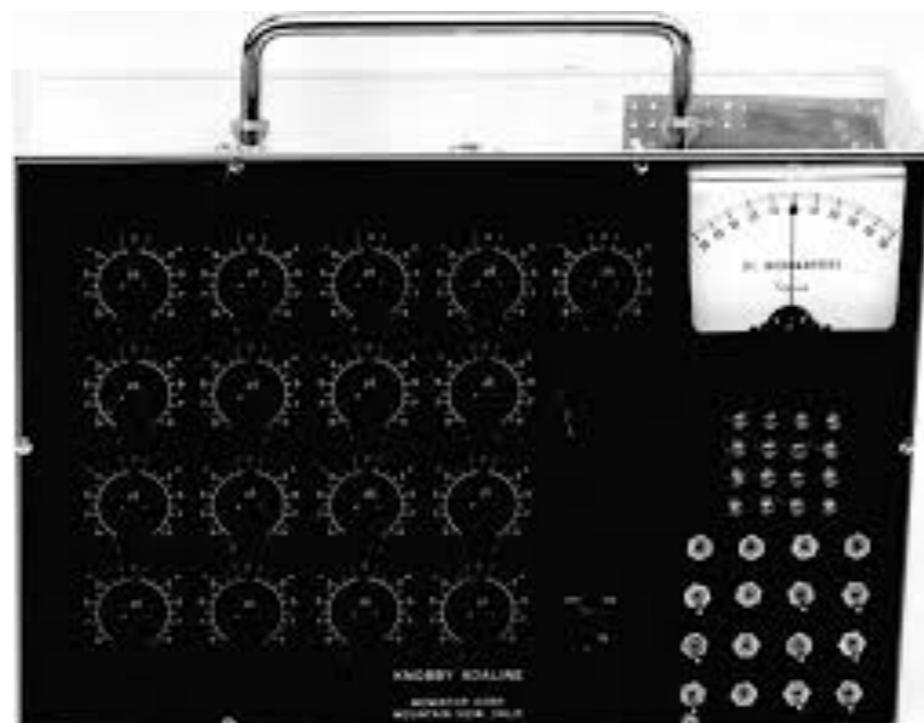
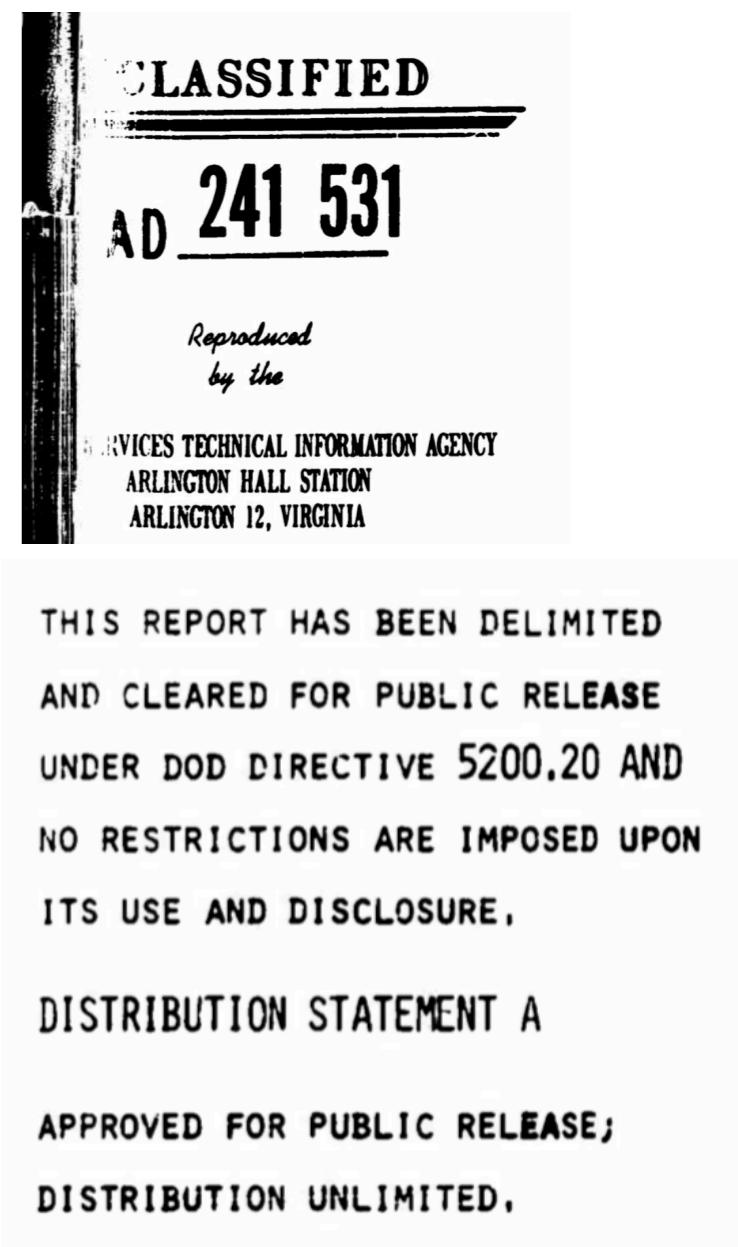
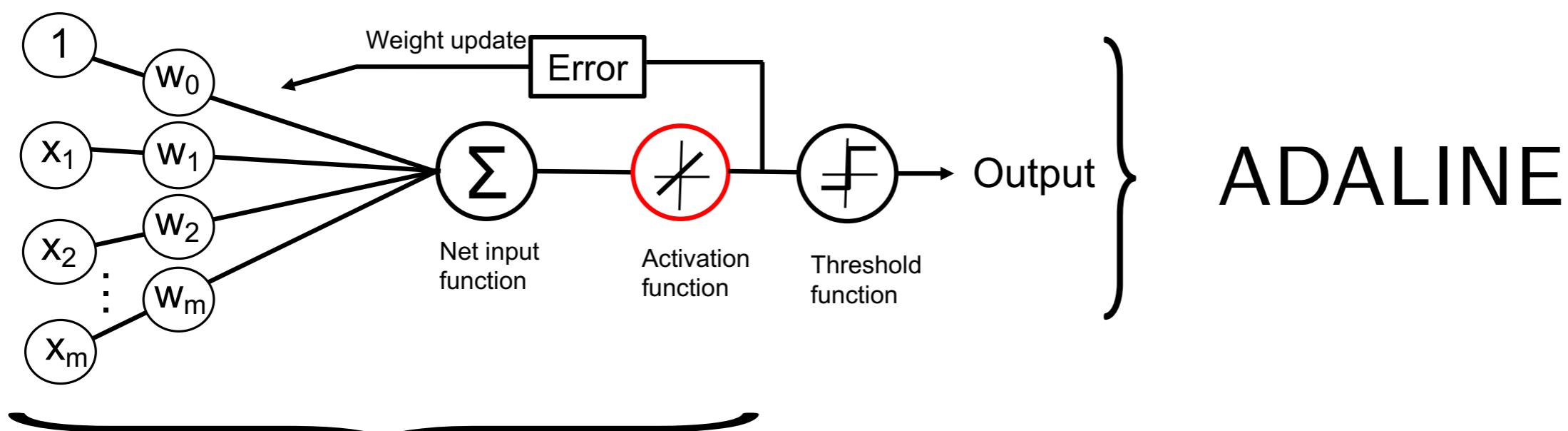
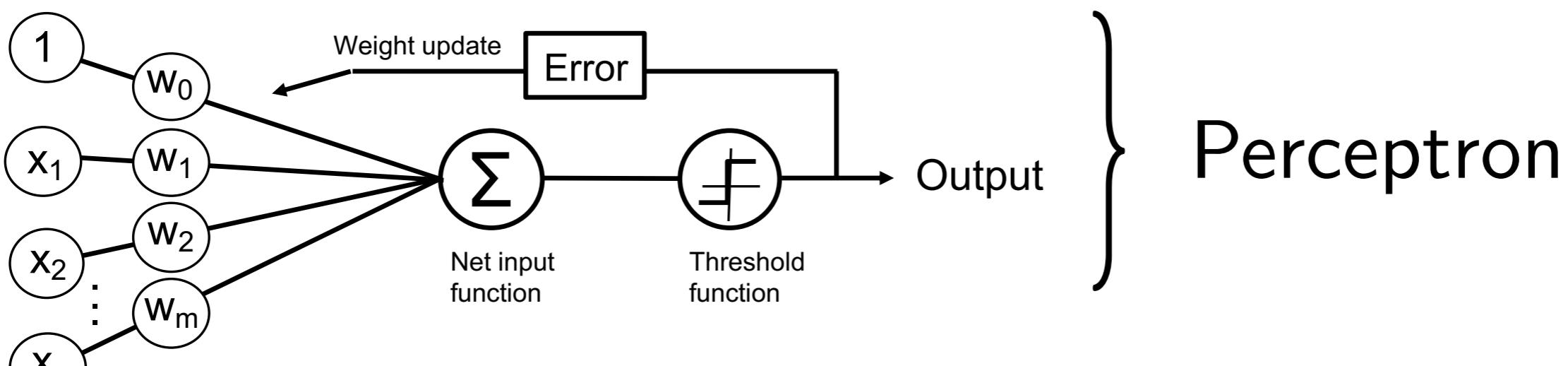


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Linear Regression

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Next Lecture:

Neurons with non-linear activation functions

Ungraded HW assignment

See last cell in the linear regression Jupyter Notebook

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