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Introduction to Deep Learning

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What is Deep Learning?

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Any technique that enables computers to mimic human behavior



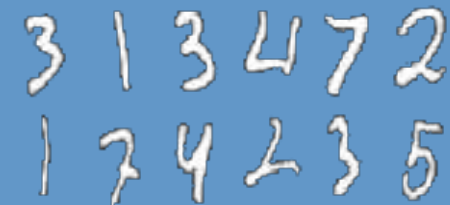
MACHINE LEARNING

Ability to learn without explicitly being programmed



DEEP LEARNING

Learn underlying features in data using neural networks



Deep Learning Success: Vision

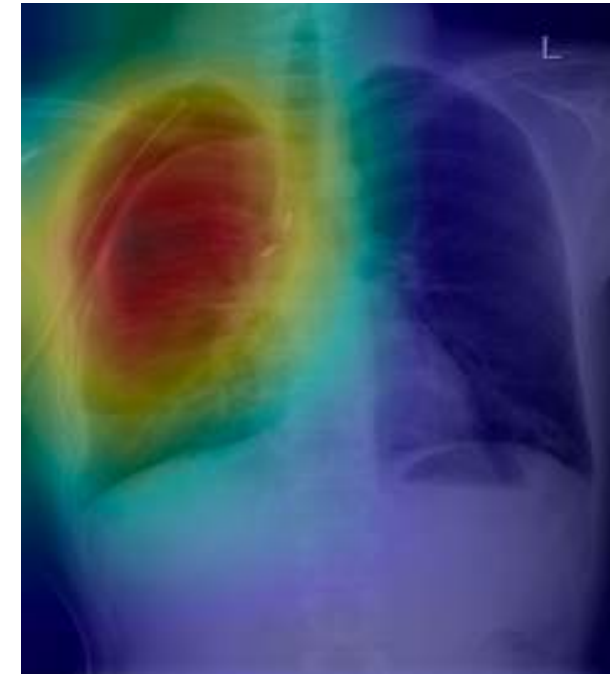
Image Recognition



Deep Learning Success: Vision



Detect pneumothorax in real X-Ray scans



Deep Learning Success: Audio



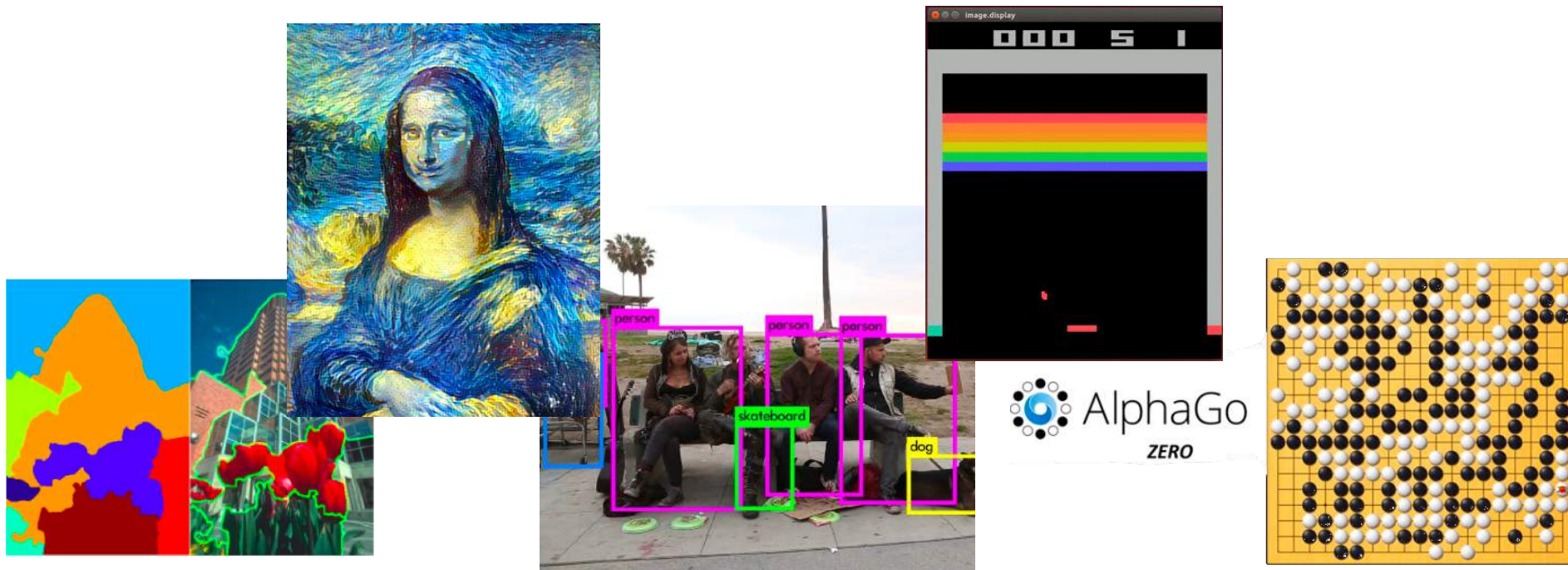
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Music Generation



Deep Learning Success

And so many more...



6.S191 Goals

Fundamentals

Practical Skills

Advancements




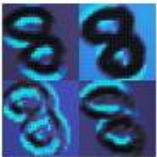











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Knowledge, intuition, know-how, and community to do
deep learning research and development

Administrative Information

- Meets Mon Jan 29 – Fri Feb 2
- 10:30 am – 1:30pm
- Lecture + Lab Breakdown
- Graded P/D/F; 3 Units
- 1 Final Assignment



Session	Part 1	Part 2	Lab
1	 <p>Introduction to Deep Learning [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Deep Sequence Modeling [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Intro to TensorFlow, Music Generation with RNNs [Code]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>
2	 <p>Deep Computer Vision [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Deep Generative Models [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Disease Detection from Human X-Ray Scans [Code]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>
3	 <p>Deep Reinforcement Learning [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Open Challenges and New Frontiers [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Work time for paper reviews/project proposals</p>
4	 <p>Guest Lecture: Google [Info] [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Guest Lecture: NVIDIA [Info] [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Sponsor Booths + Work time for paper reviews/project proposals</p>
5	 <p>Guest Lecture: IBM [Info] [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Guest Lecture: Tencent [Info] [Slides] [Video]</p> <p><i>coming soon!</i></p>	 <p>Project Proposal Presentations, Judging and Awards</p>

Final Class Project

Option 1: Proposal Presentation

- Groups of 3 or 4
- Present a novel deep learning research idea or application
- 1 slide, 1 minute (strict)
- List of example proposals on website: introtodeeplearning.com
- Presentations on **Friday, Feb 2**
- Submit groups by **Wednesday 5pm** to be eligible
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- Judged by a panel of industry judges
- Top winners are awarded:



1x NVIDIA Titan Xp
MSRP: \$1200



2x NVIDIA Titan TX2
MSRP: \$600



3x Google Home
MSRP: \$300

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Option 2: Write a 1-page review of a deep learning paper

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- Grade is based on clarity of writing and technical communication of main ideas
- Due **Friday 10:30am** (before lecture)

Class Support

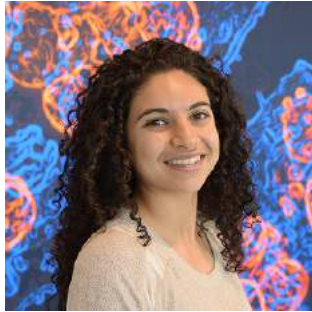
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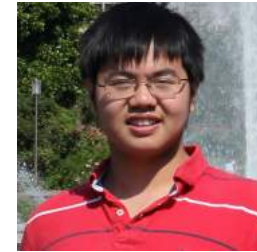
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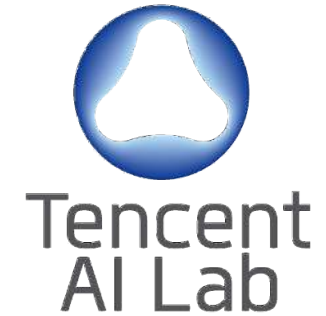
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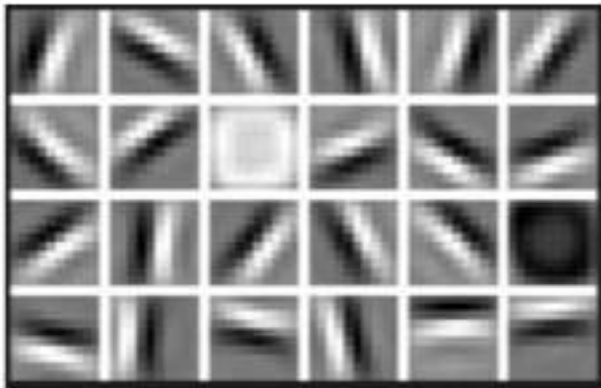
Why Deep Learning and Why Now?

Why Deep Learning?

Hand engineered features are time consuming, brittle and not scalable in practice

Can we learn the **underlying features** directly from data?

Low Level Features



Lines & Edges

Mid Level Features



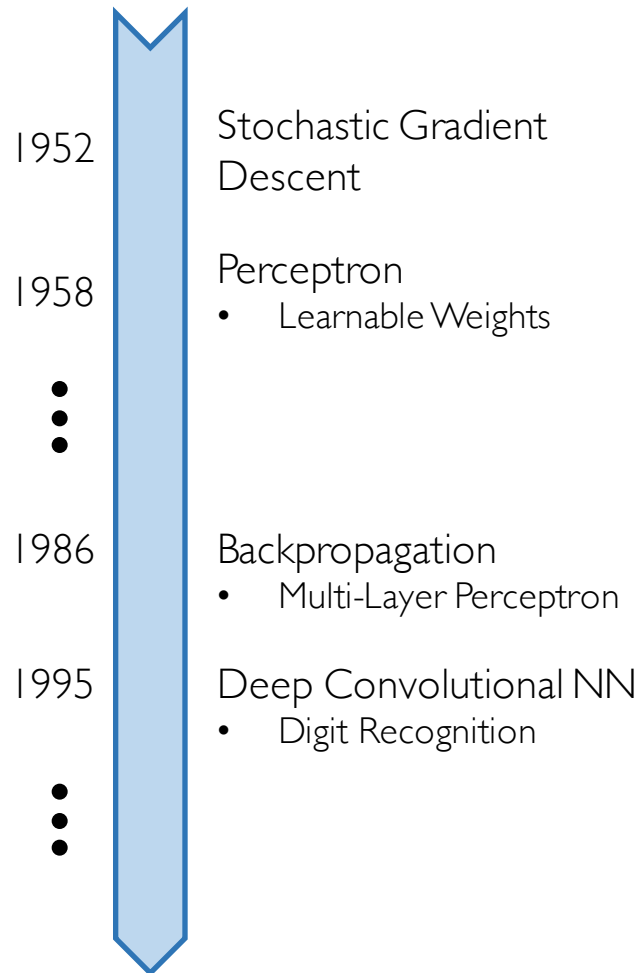
Eyes & Nose & Ears

High Level Features



Facial Structure

Why Now?



Neural Networks date back decades, so why the resurgence?

1. Big Data

- Larger Datasets
- Easier Collection & Storage

IMAGENET



2. Hardware

- Graphics Processing Units (GPUs)
- Massively Parallelizable



3. Software

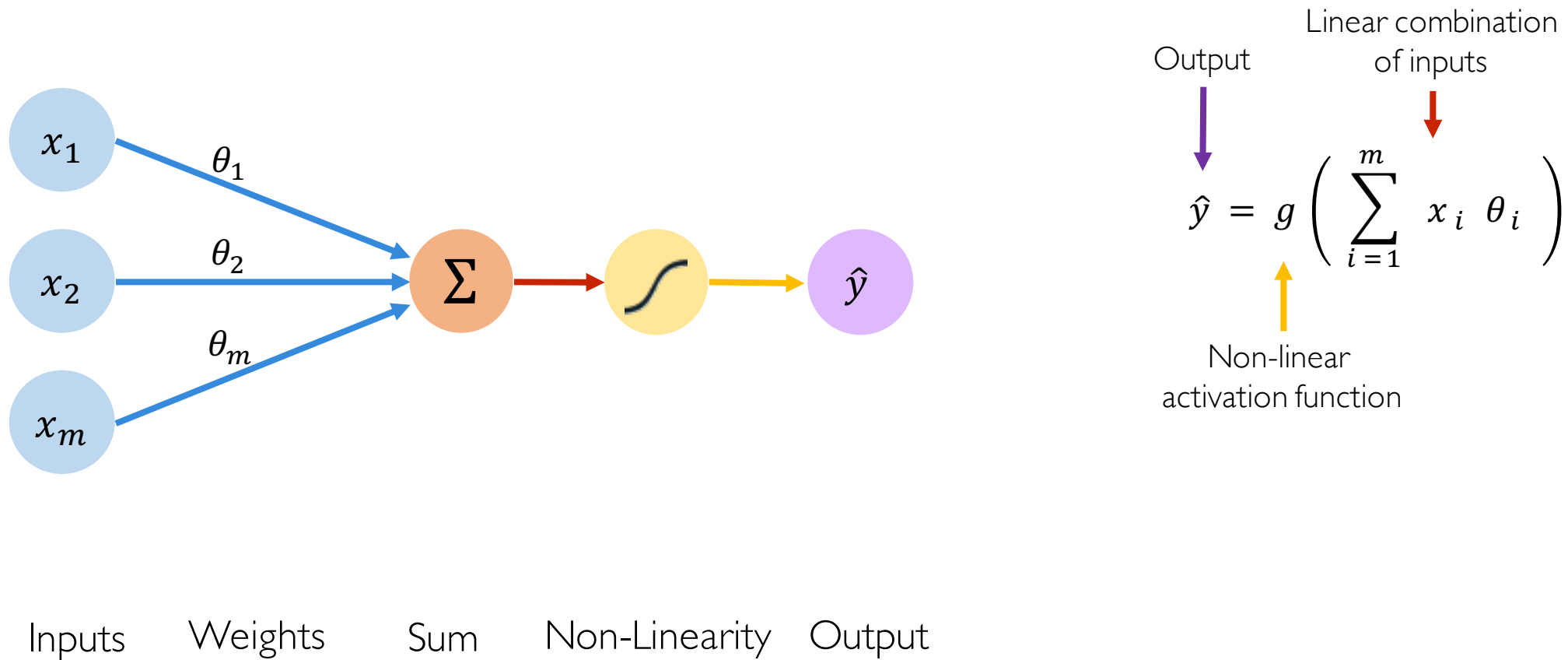
- Improved Techniques
- New Models
- Toolboxes



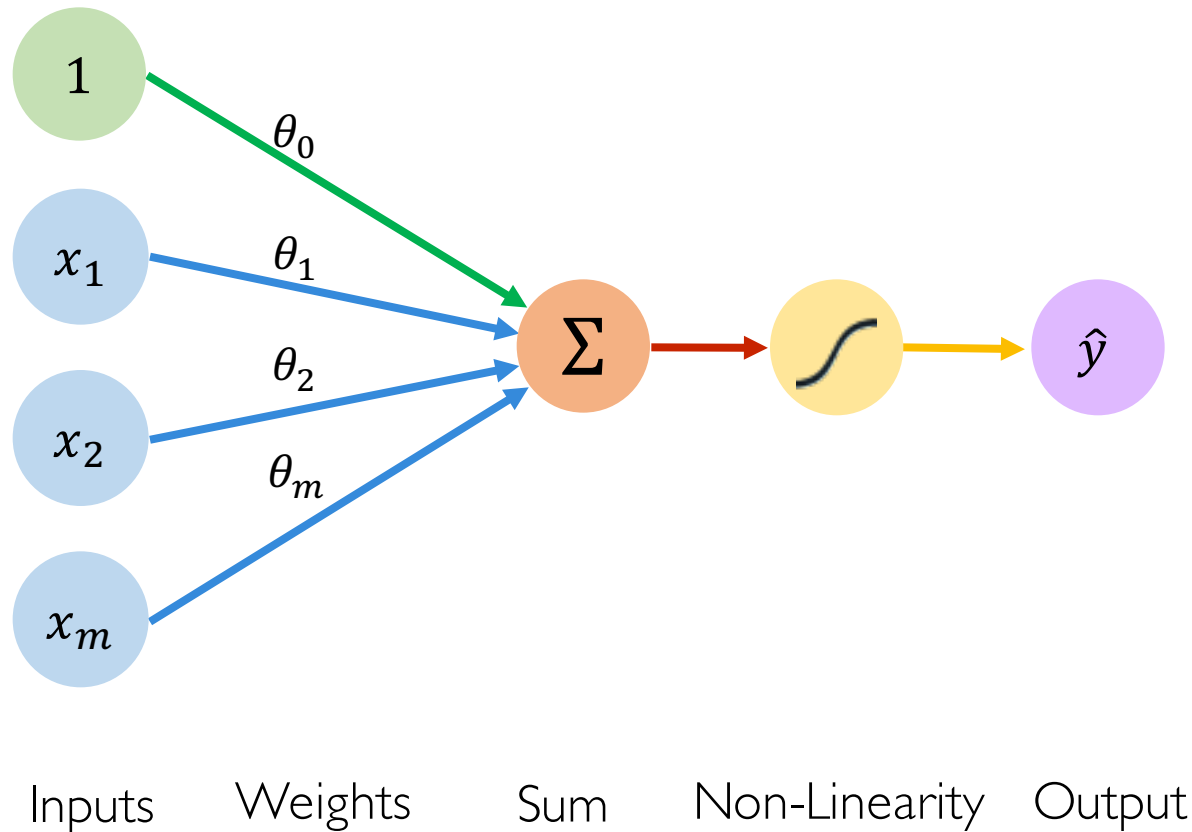
The Perceptron

The structural building block of deep learning

The Perceptron: Forward Propagation



The Perceptron: Forward Propagation



Output

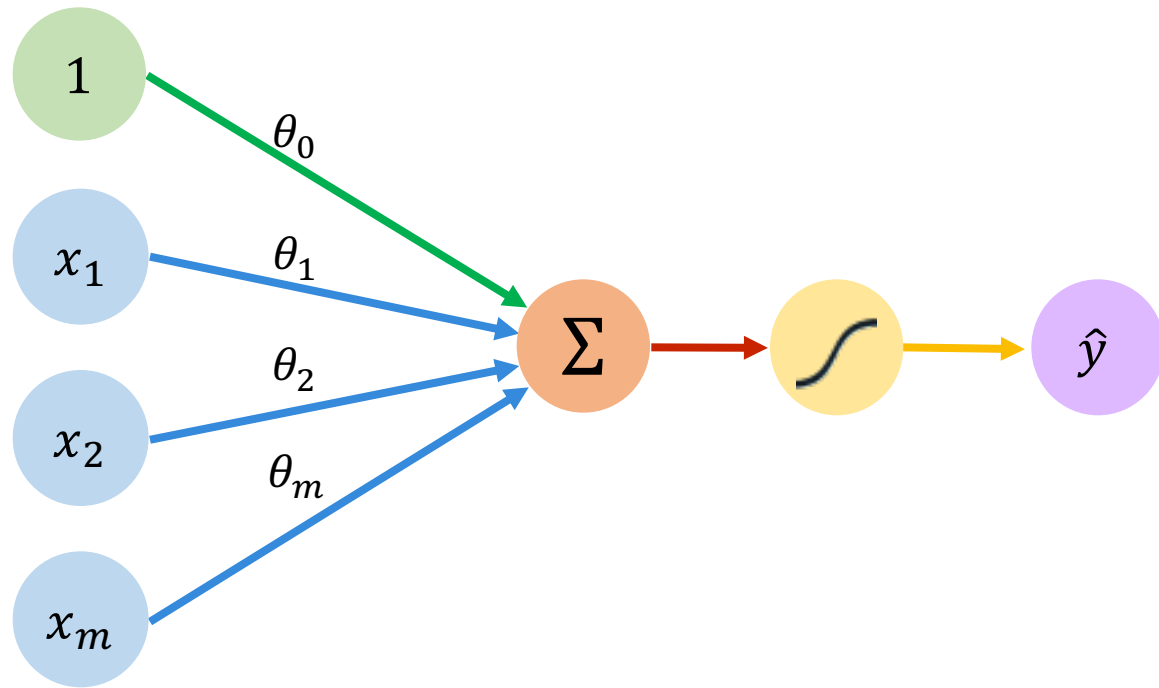
Linear combination of inputs

$$\hat{y} = g \left(\theta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \theta_i \right)$$

Non-linear activation function

Bias

The Perceptron: Forward Propagation



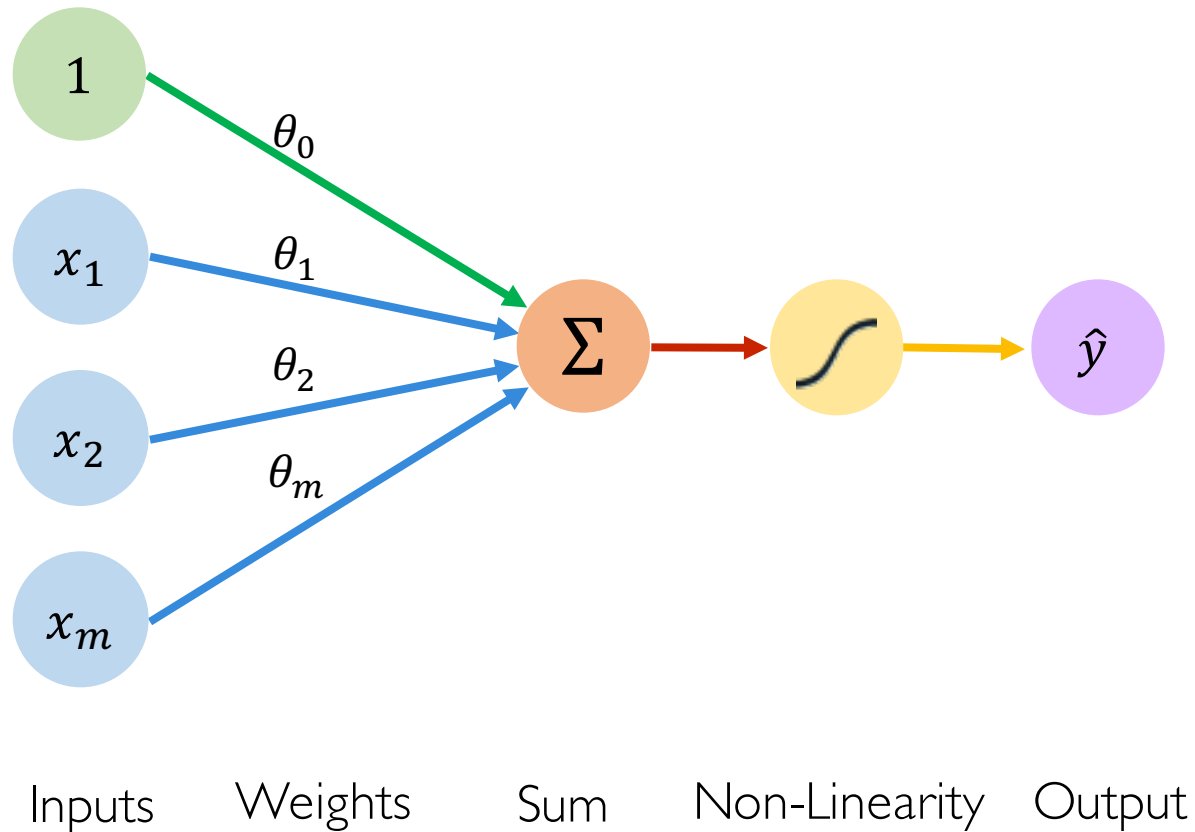
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$$\hat{y} = g (\theta_0 + \mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$$\text{where: } \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_m \end{bmatrix}$$

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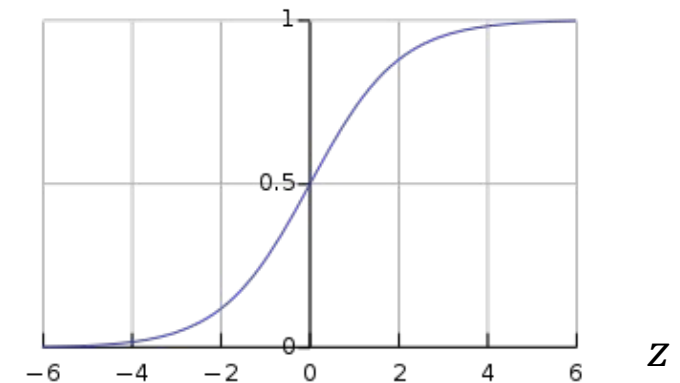


Activation Functions

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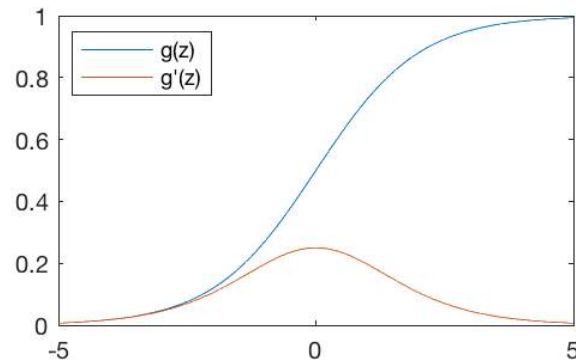
- Example: sigmoid function

$$g(z) = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$



Common Activation Functions

Sigmoid Function

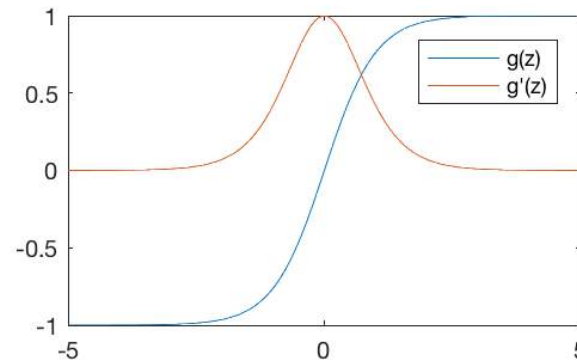


$$g(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

$$g'(z) = g(z)(1 - g(z))$$

 `tf.nn.sigmoid(z)`

Hyperbolic Tangent

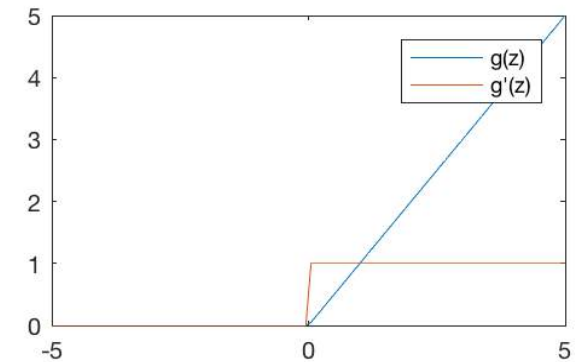


$$g(z) = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}$$

$$g'(z) = 1 - g(z)^2$$

 `tf.nn.tanh(z)`

Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)



$$g(z) = \max(0, z)$$

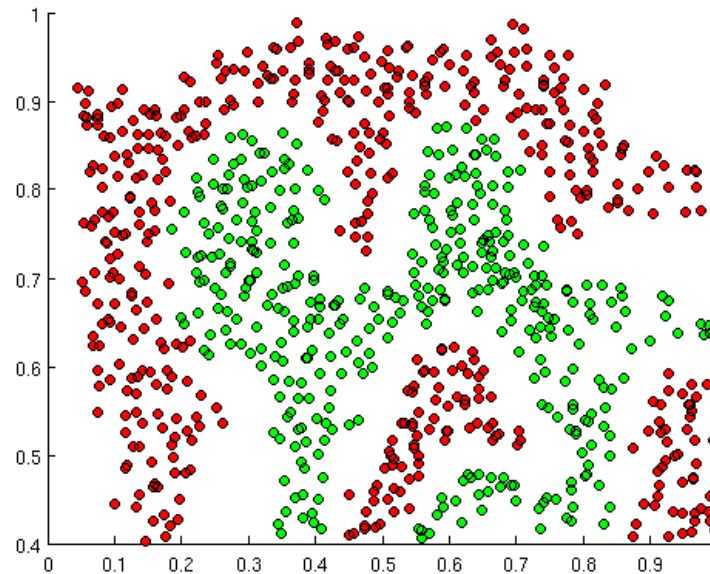
$$g'(z) = \begin{cases} 1, & z > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

 `tf.nn.relu(z)`

NOTE: All activation functions are non-linear

Importance of Activation Functions

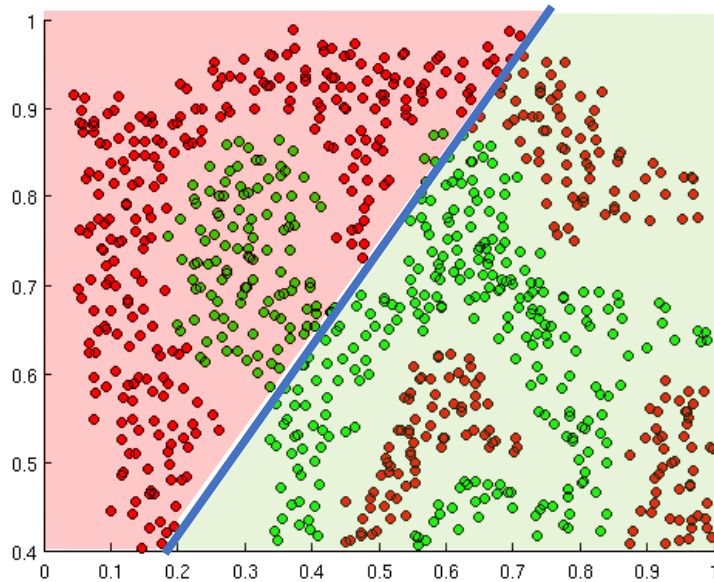
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What if we wanted to build a Neural Network to distinguish green vs red points?

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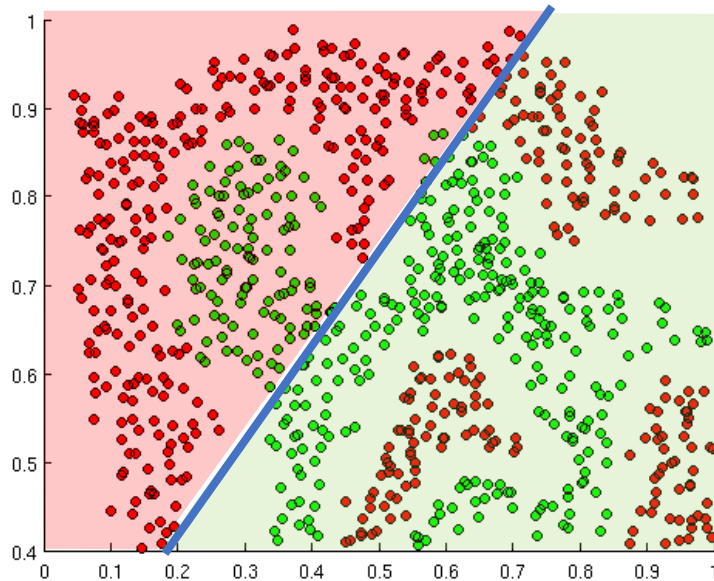
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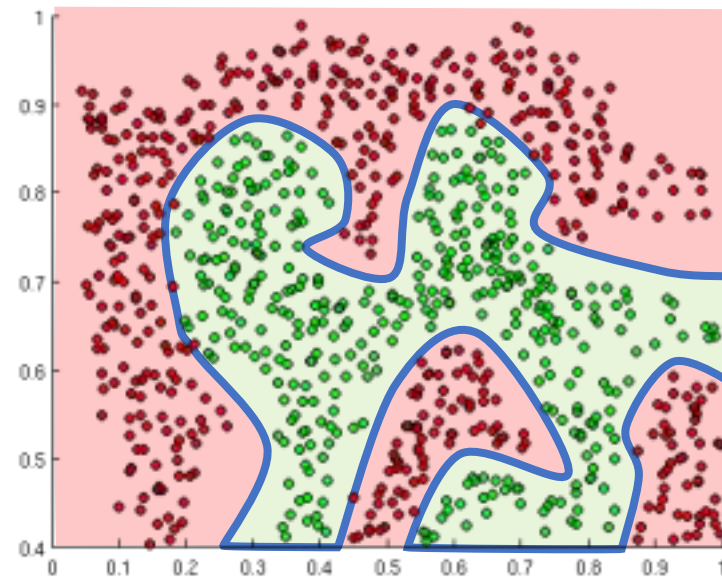
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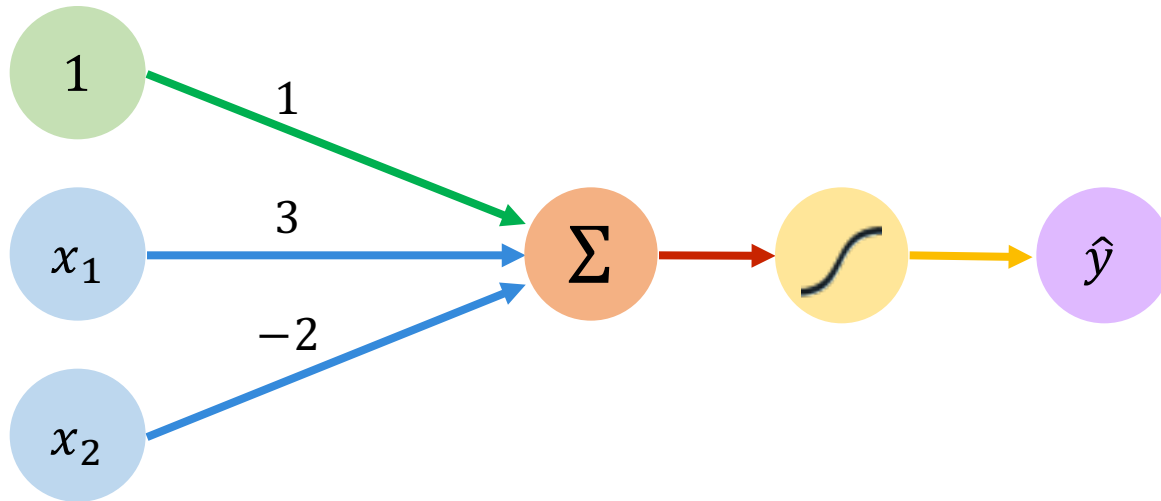


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Non-linearities allow us to approximate arbitrarily complex functions

The Perceptron: Example

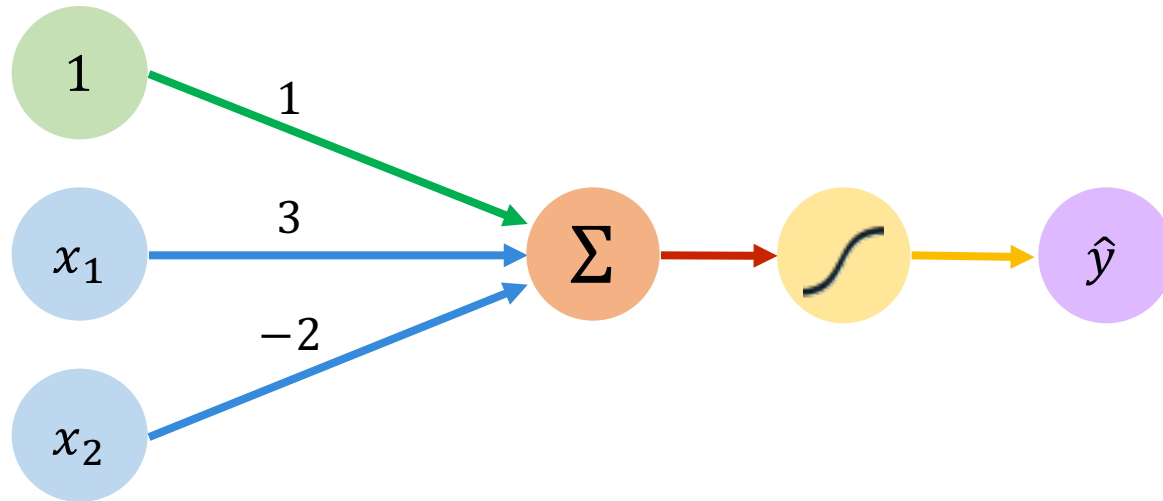


We have: $\theta_0 = 1$ and $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

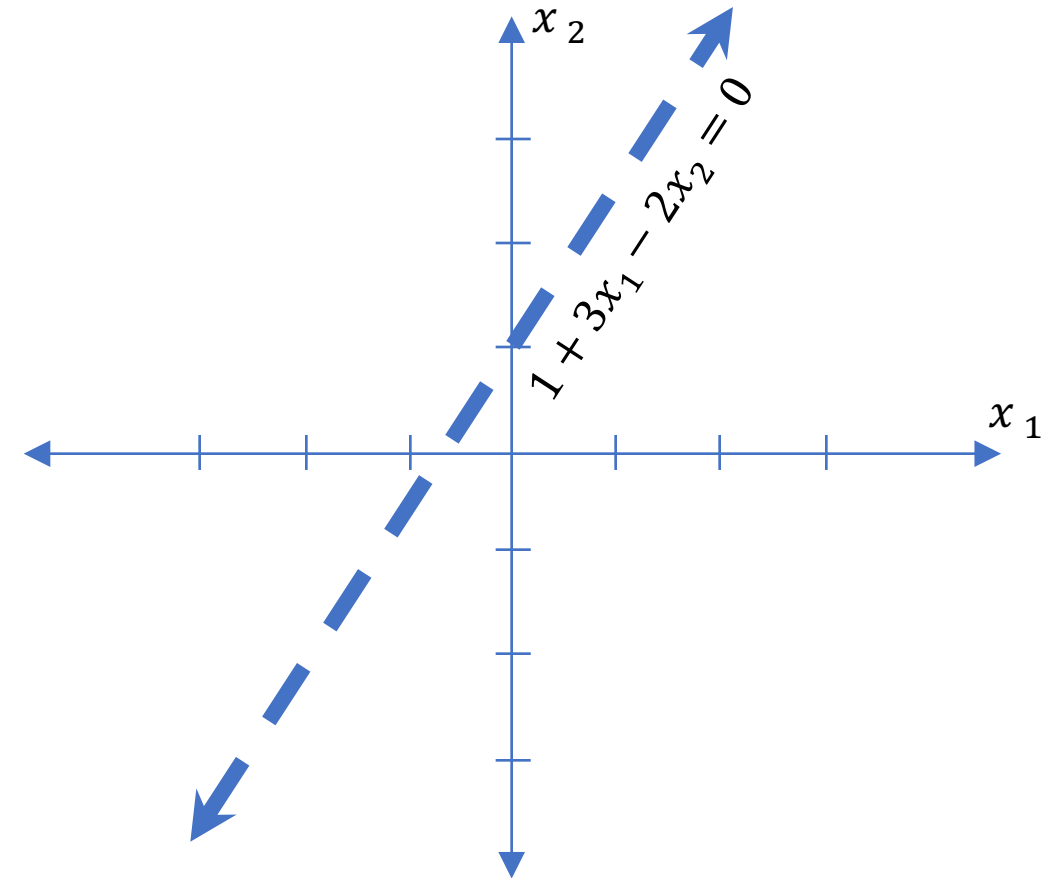
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y} &= g(\theta_0 + \mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &= g\left(1 + \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ \hat{y} &= g(1 + \underbrace{3x_1 - 2x_2})\end{aligned}$$

This is just a line in 2D!

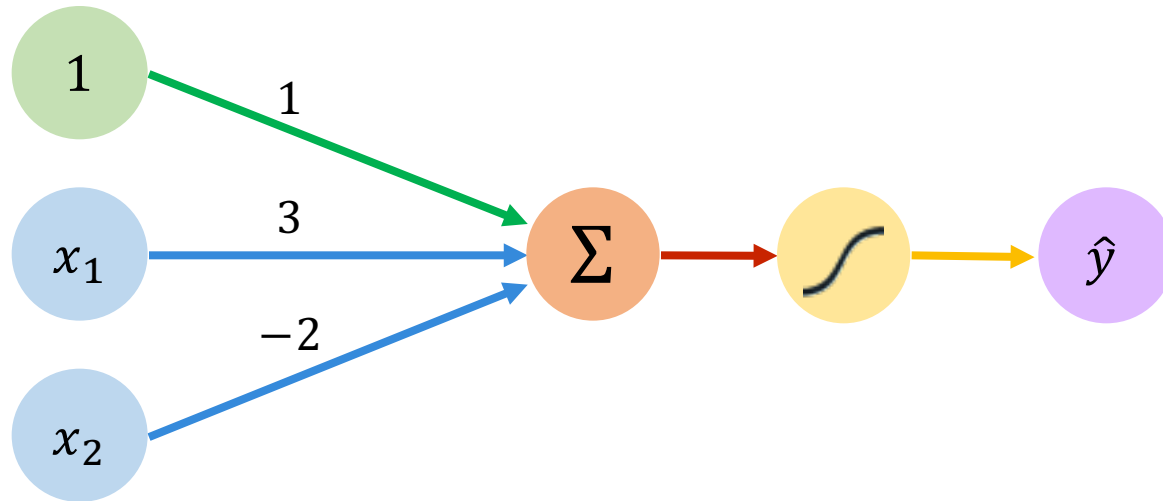
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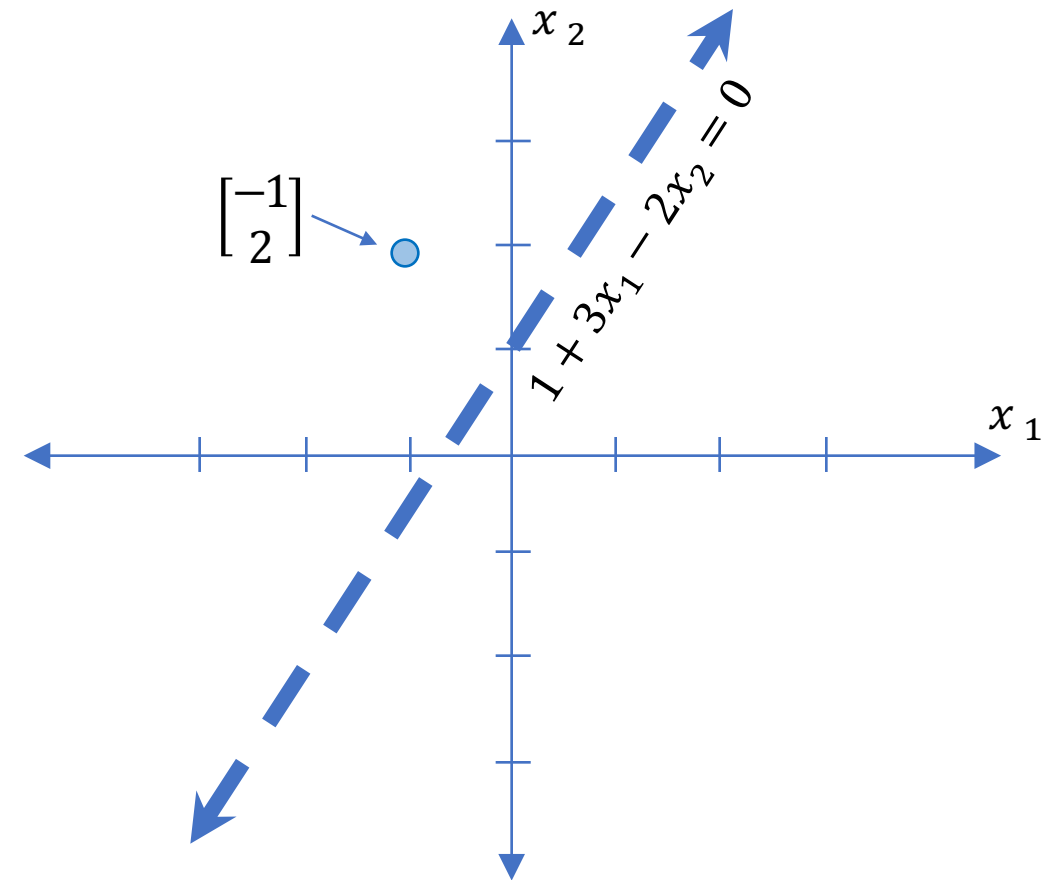
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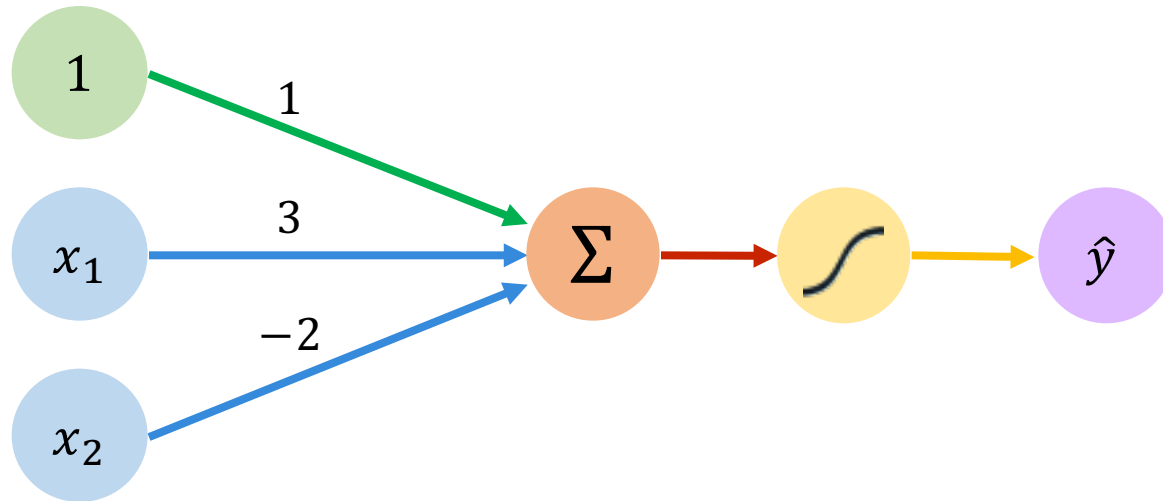
Assume we have input: $\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y} &= g(1 + (3 * -1) - (2 * 2)) \\ &= g(-6) \approx 0.002\end{aligned}$$

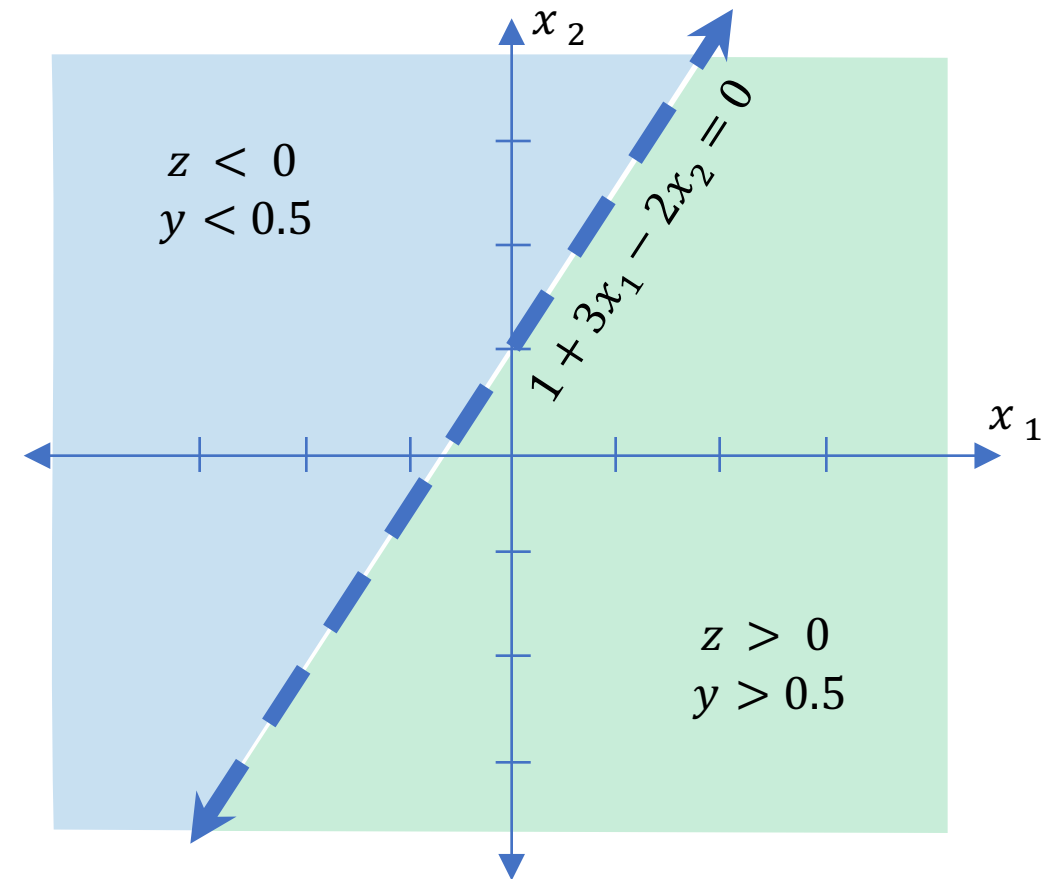
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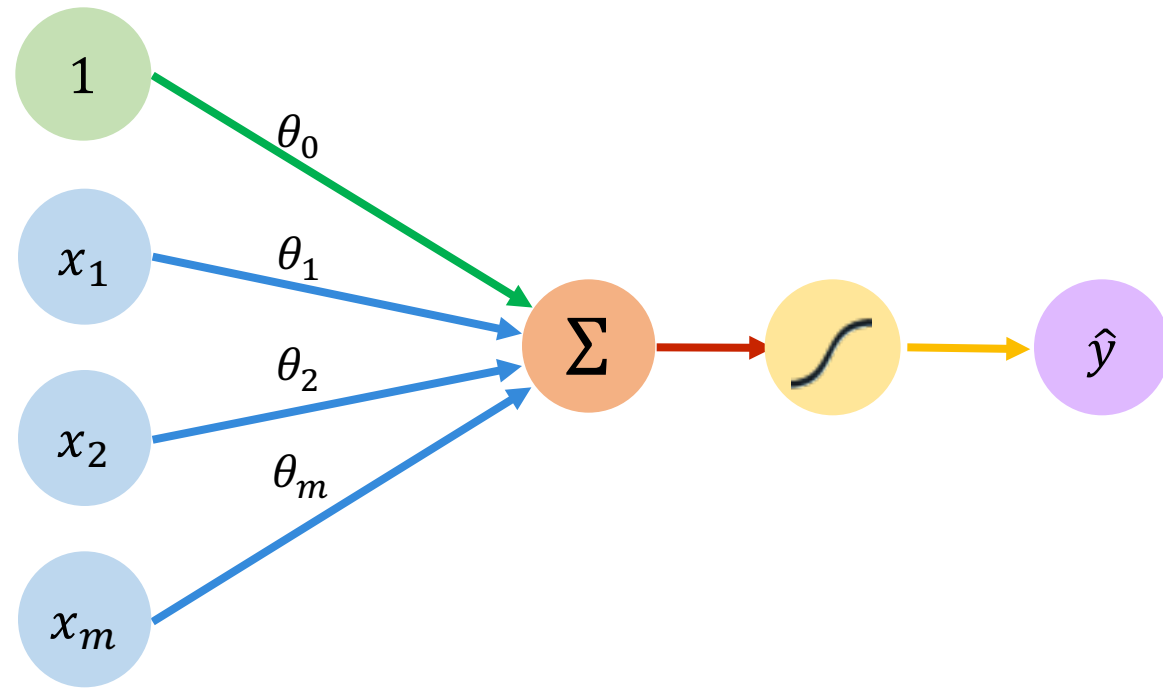


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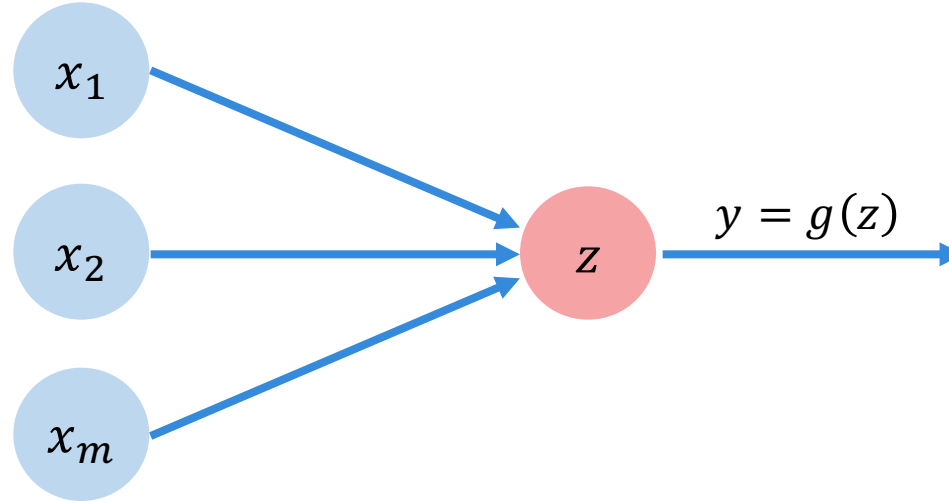
Building Neural Networks with Perceptrons

The Perceptron: Simplified



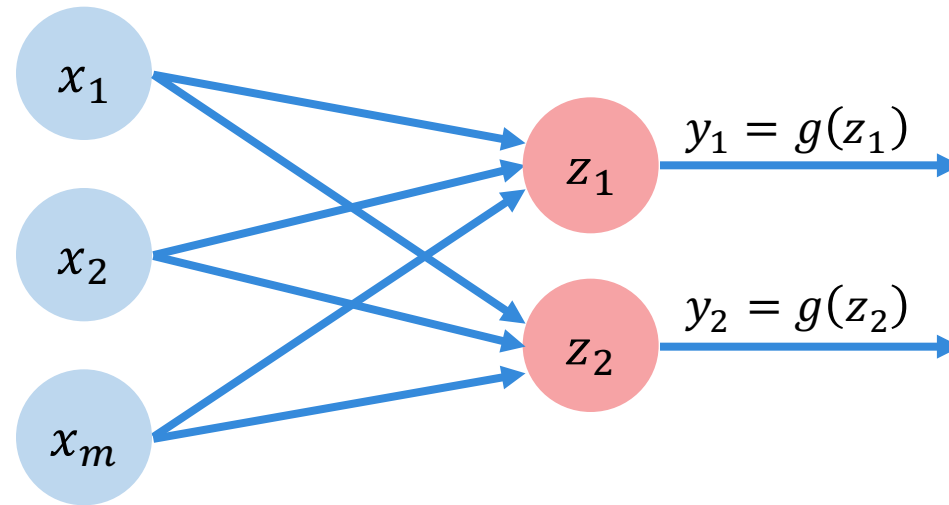
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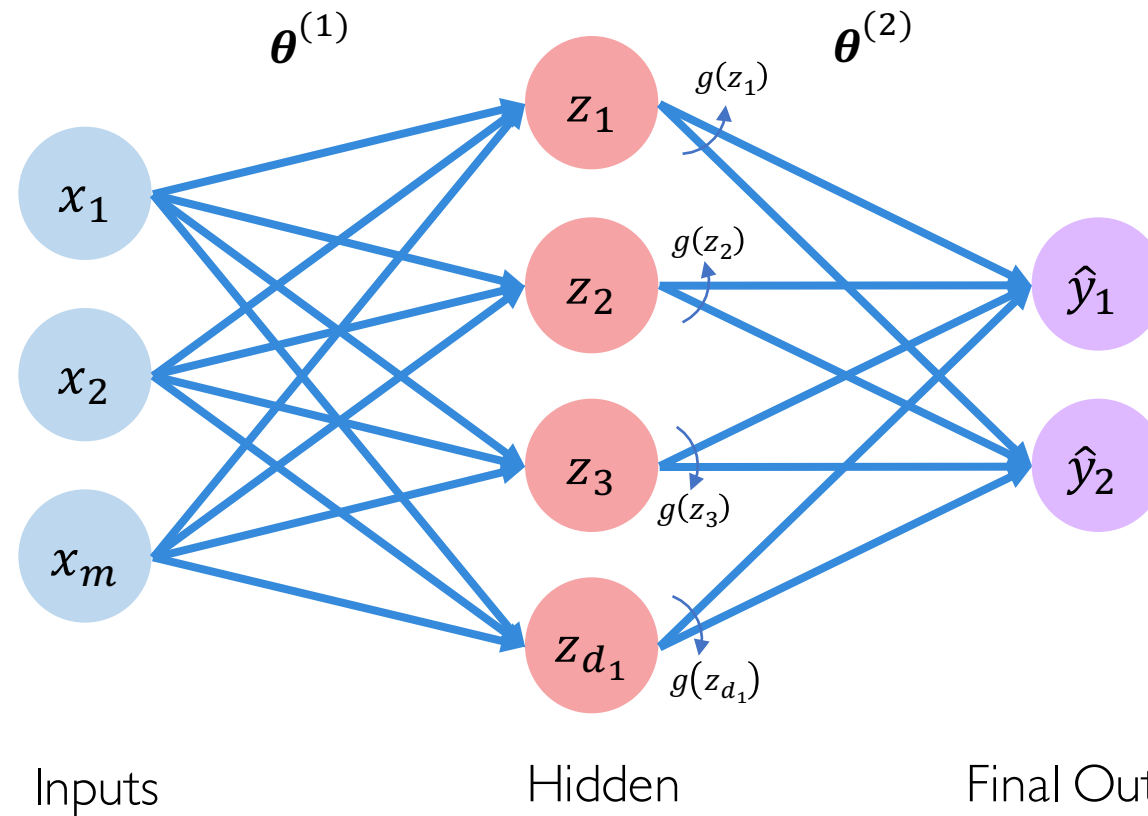
$$z = \theta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \theta_j$$

Multi Output Perceptron



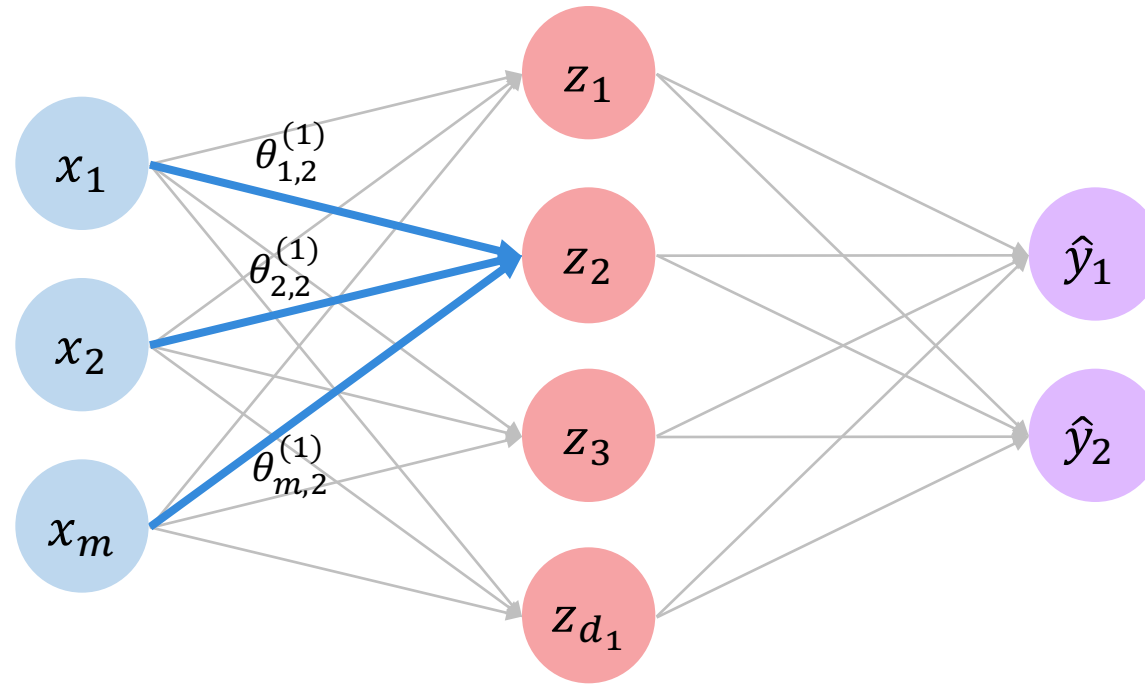
$$z_i = \theta_{0,i} + \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \theta_{j,i}$$

Single Layer Neural Network



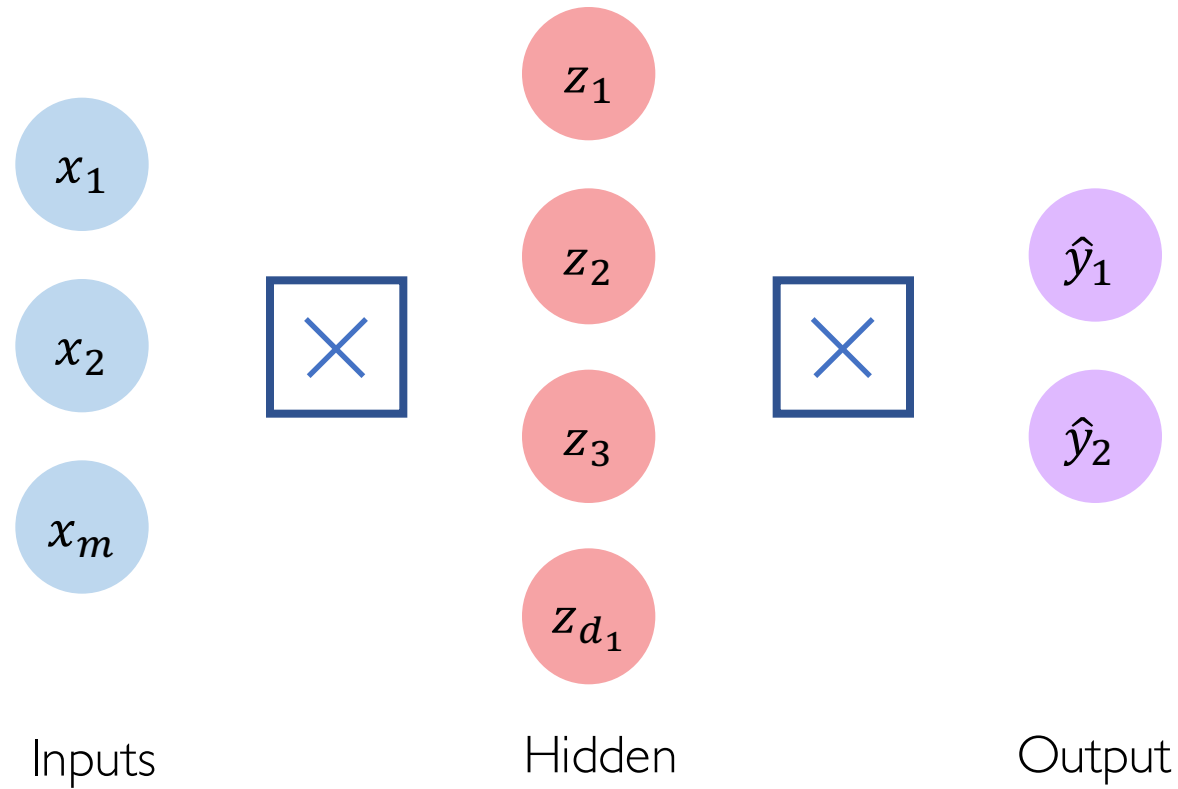
$$z_i = \theta_{0,i}^{(1)} + \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \theta_{j,i}^{(1)} \quad \hat{y}_i = \theta_{0,i}^{(2)} + \sum_{j=1}^{d_1} z_j \theta_{j,i}^{(2)}$$

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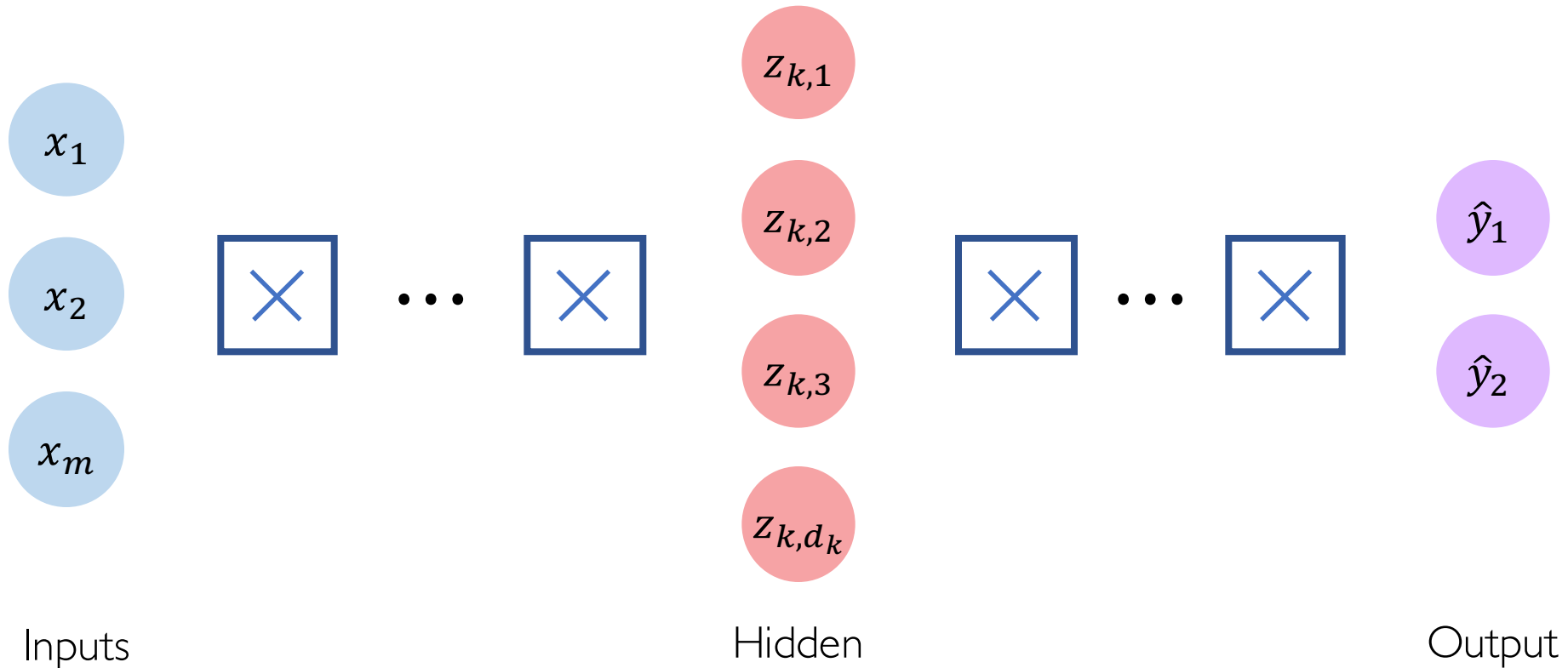


$$\begin{aligned} z_2 &= \theta_{0,2}^{(1)} + \sum_{j=1}^m x_j \theta_{j,2}^{(1)} \\ &= \theta_{0,2}^{(1)} + x_1 \theta_{1,2}^{(1)} + x_2 \theta_{2,2}^{(1)} + x_m \theta_{m,2}^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

Multi Output Perceptron



Deep Neural Network



$$z_{k,i} = \theta_{0,i}^{(k)} + \sum_{j=1}^{d_{k-1}} g(z_{k-1,j}) \theta_{j,i}^{(k)}$$

Applying Neural Networks

Example Problem

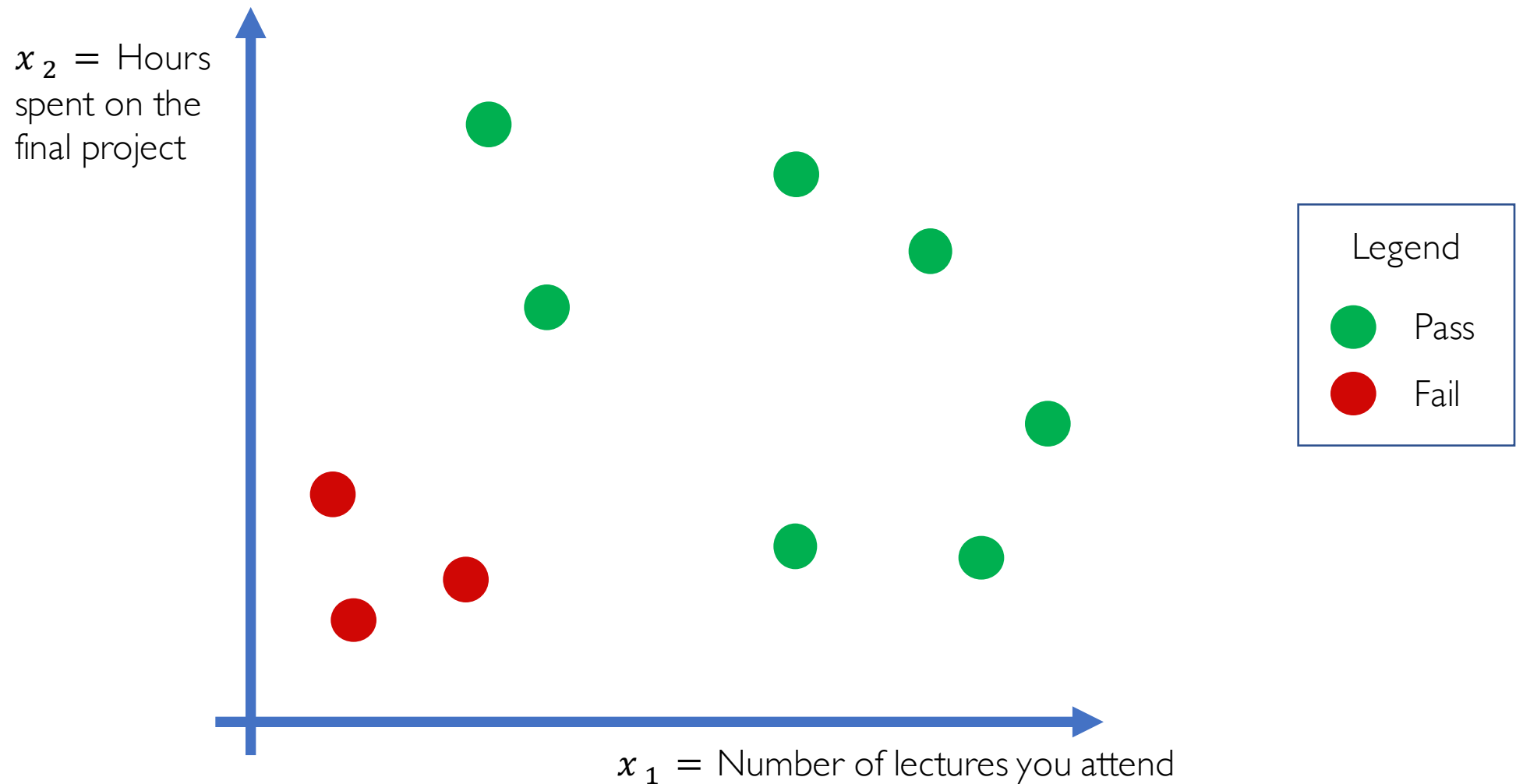
Will I pass this class?

Let's start with a simple two feature model

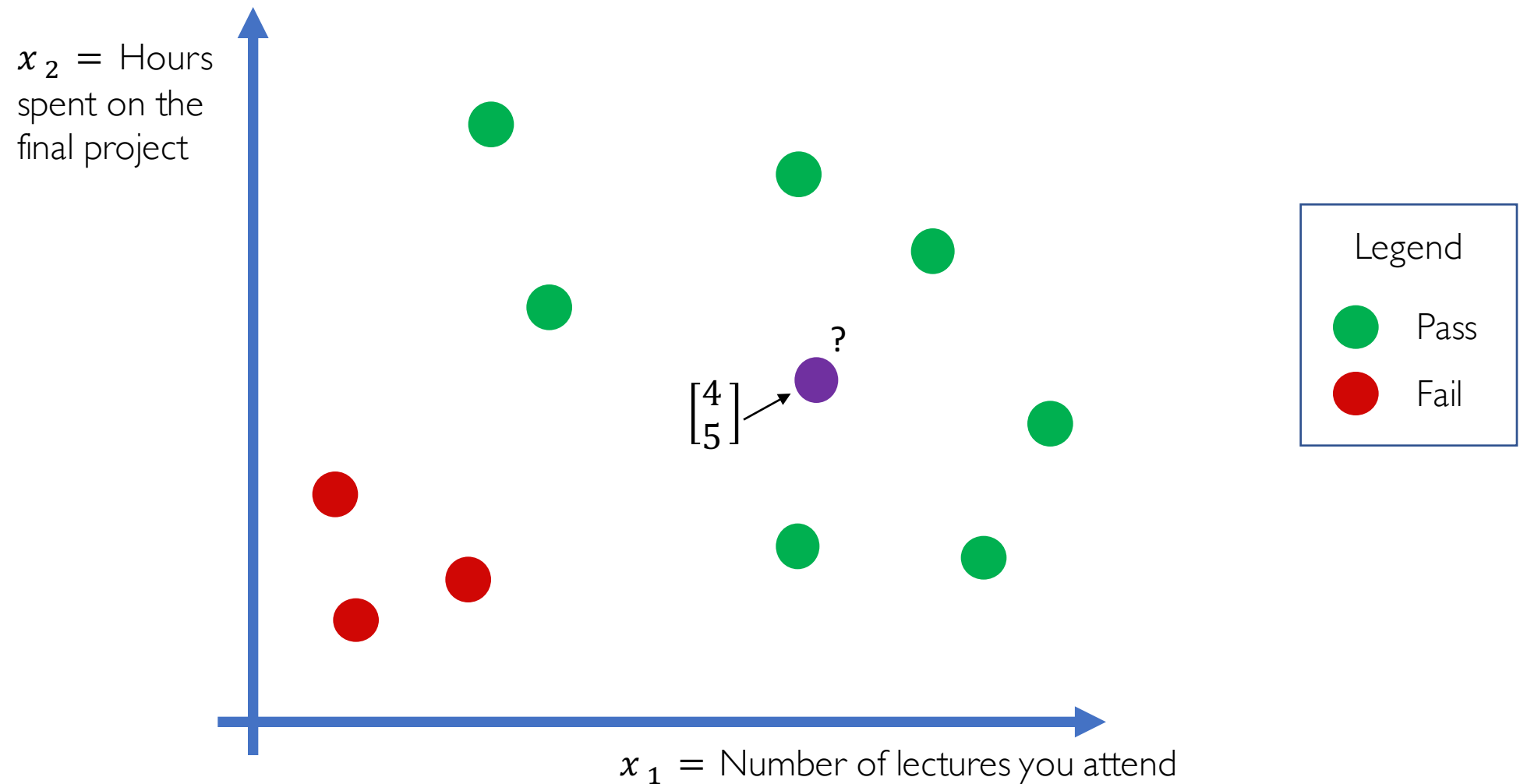
x_1 = Number of lectures you attend

x_2 = Hours spent on the final project

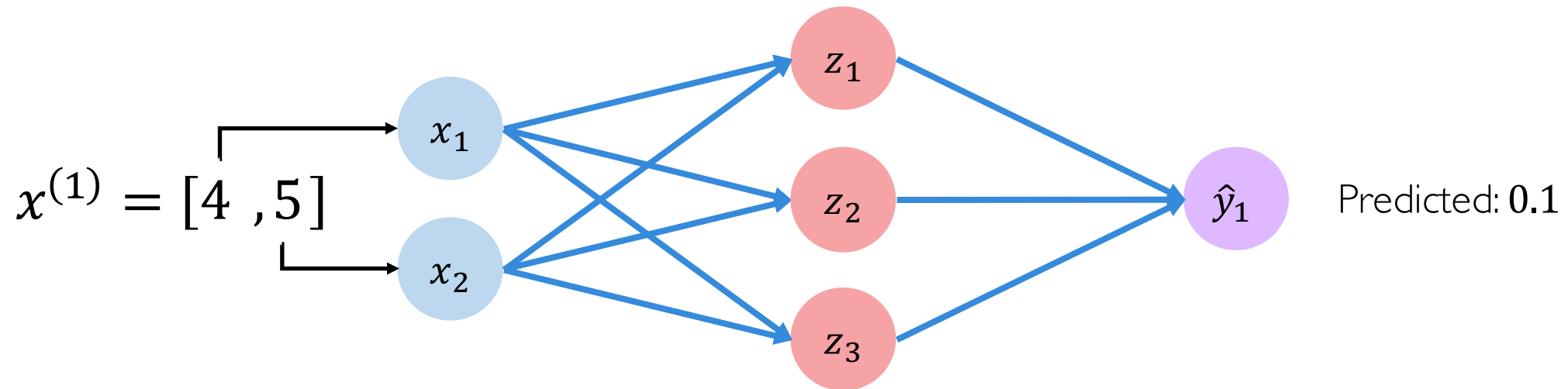
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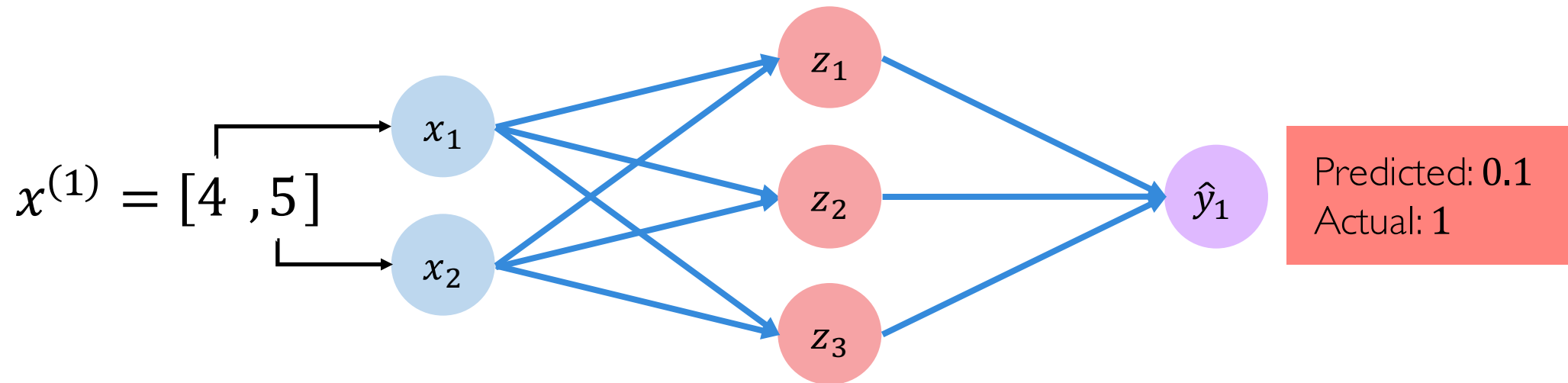
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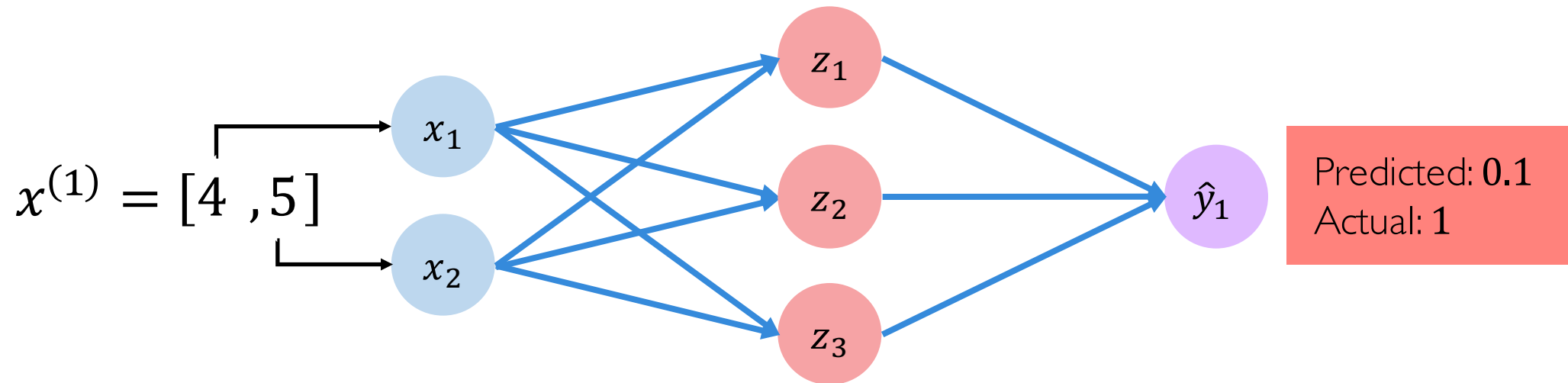


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Quantifying Loss

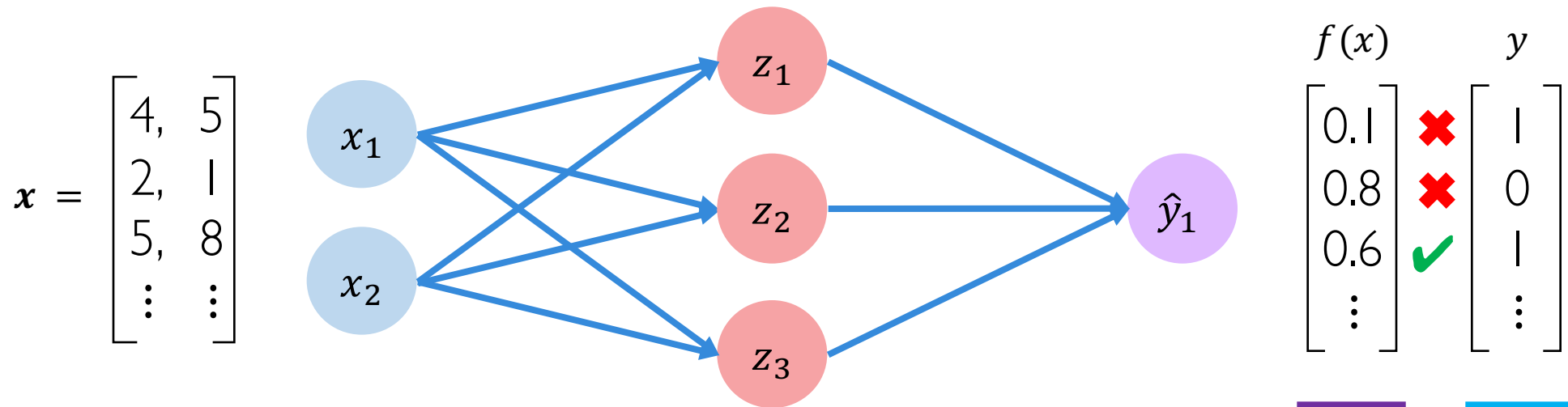
The **loss** of our network measures the cost incurred from incorrect predictions



$$\mathcal{L}(\underbrace{f(x^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{\theta})}_{\text{Predicted}}, \underbrace{y^{(i)}}_{\text{Actual}})$$

Empirical Loss

The **empirical loss** measures the total loss over our entire dataset



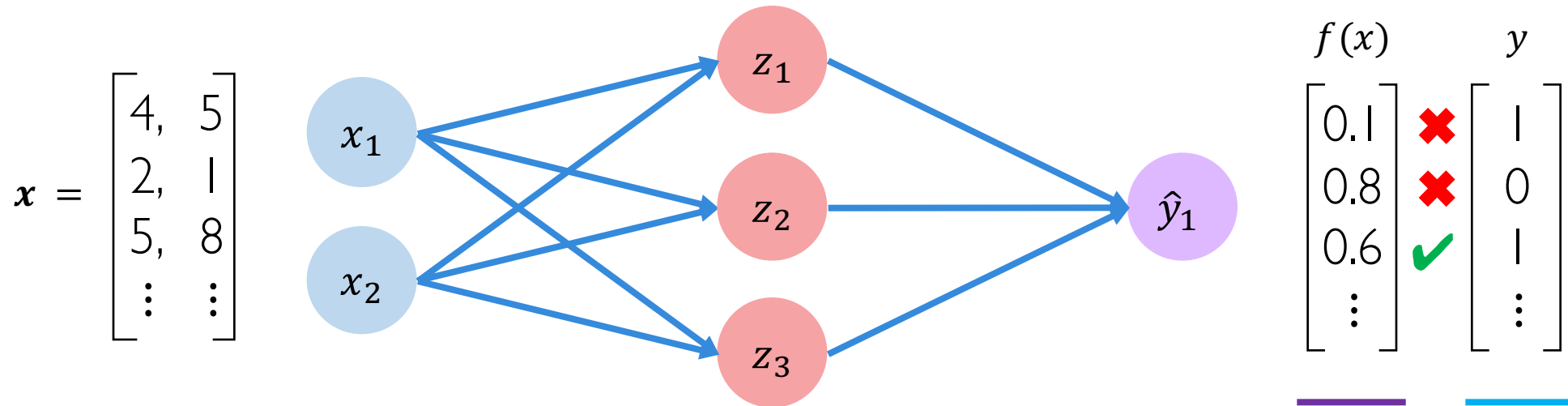
Also known as:

- Objective function
- Cost function
- Empirical Risk

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}(\underbrace{f(x^{(i)}; \theta)}_{\text{Predicted}}, \underbrace{y^{(i)}}_{\text{Actual}})$$

Binary Cross Entropy Loss

Cross entropy loss can be used with models that output a probability between 0 and 1



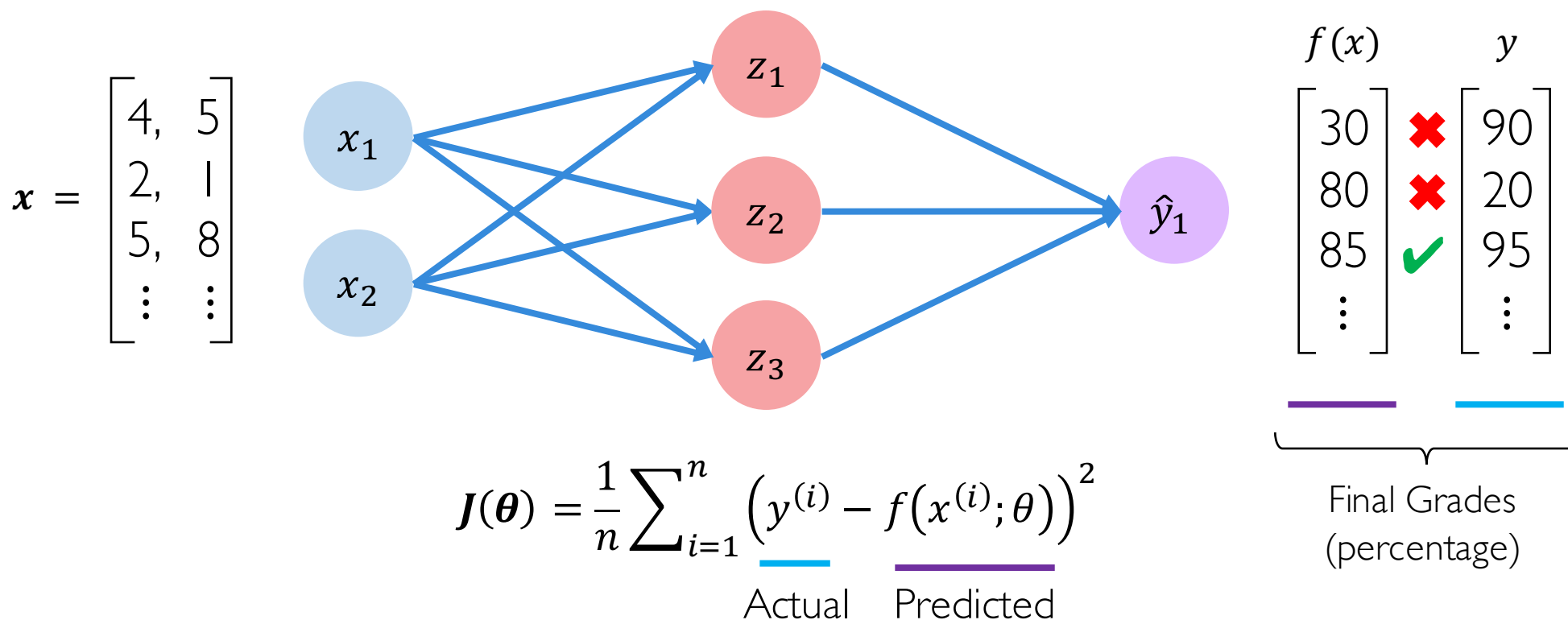
$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \underbrace{y^{(i)}}_{\text{Actual}} \log \left(\underbrace{f(x^{(i)}; \theta)}_{\text{Predicted}} \right) + (1 - \underbrace{y^{(i)}}_{\text{Actual}}) \log \left(1 - \underbrace{f(x^{(i)}; \theta)}_{\text{Predicted}} \right)$$



```
loss = tf.reduce_mean( tf.nn.softmax_cross_entropy_with_logits(model.y, model.pred) )
```

Mean Squared Error Loss

Mean squared error loss can be used with regression models that output continuous real numbers



```
loss = tf.reduce_mean( tf.square(tf.subtract(model.y, model.pred)) )
```


Training Neural Networks

Loss Optimization

We want to find the network weights that **achieve the lowest loss**

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}(f(x^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{\theta}), y^{(i)})$$

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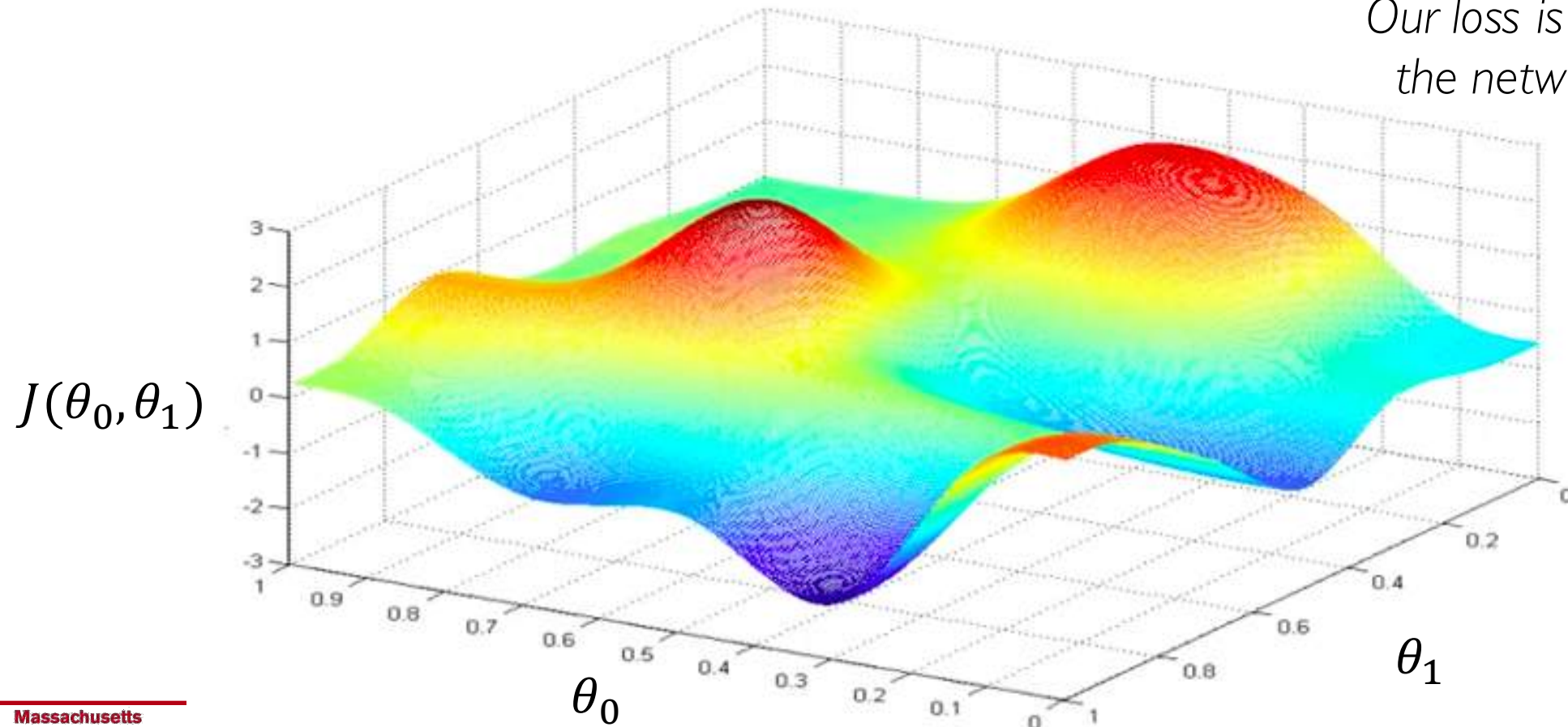
Remember:

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\theta^{(0)}, \theta^{(1)}, \dots\}$$

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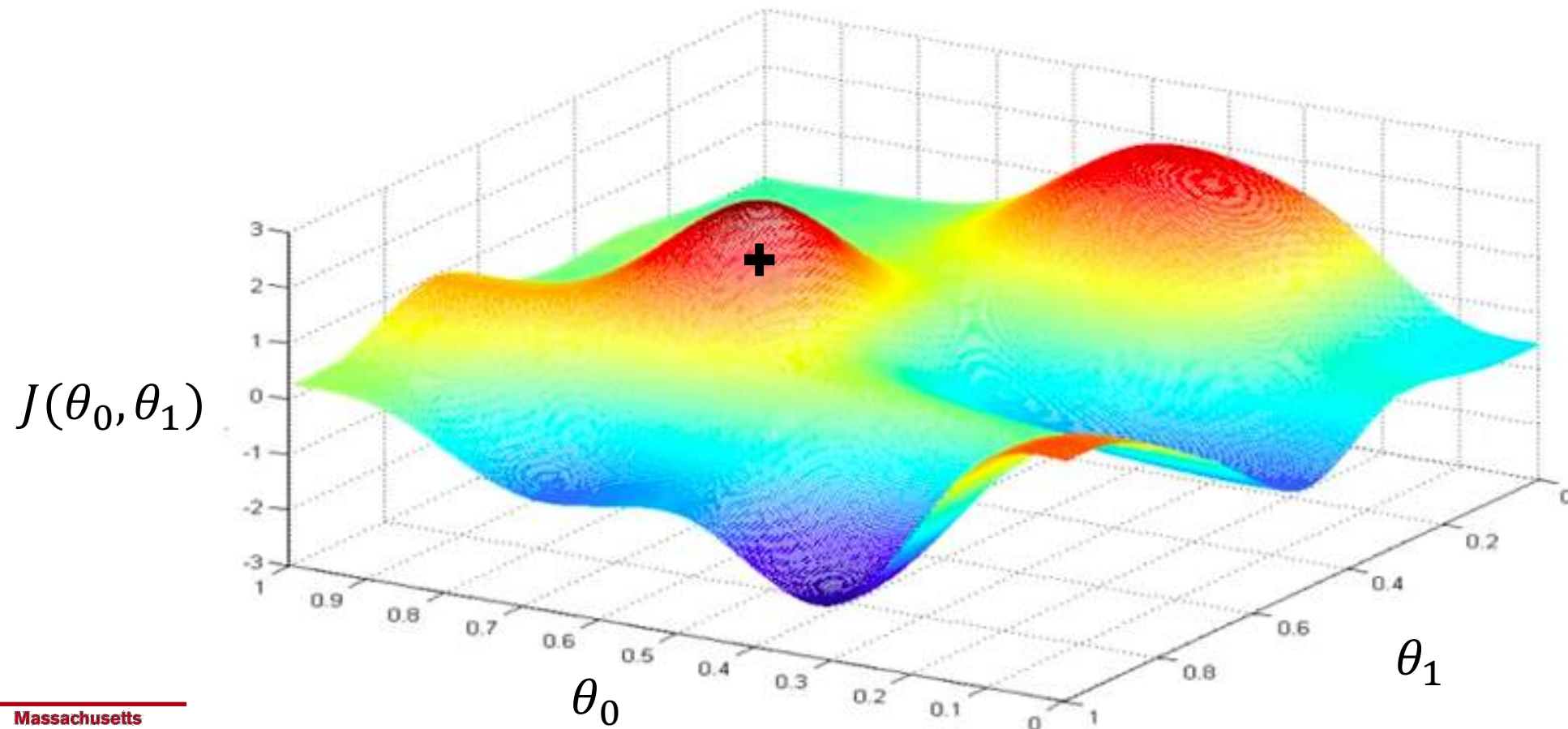
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Remember:
*Our loss is a function of
the network weights!*



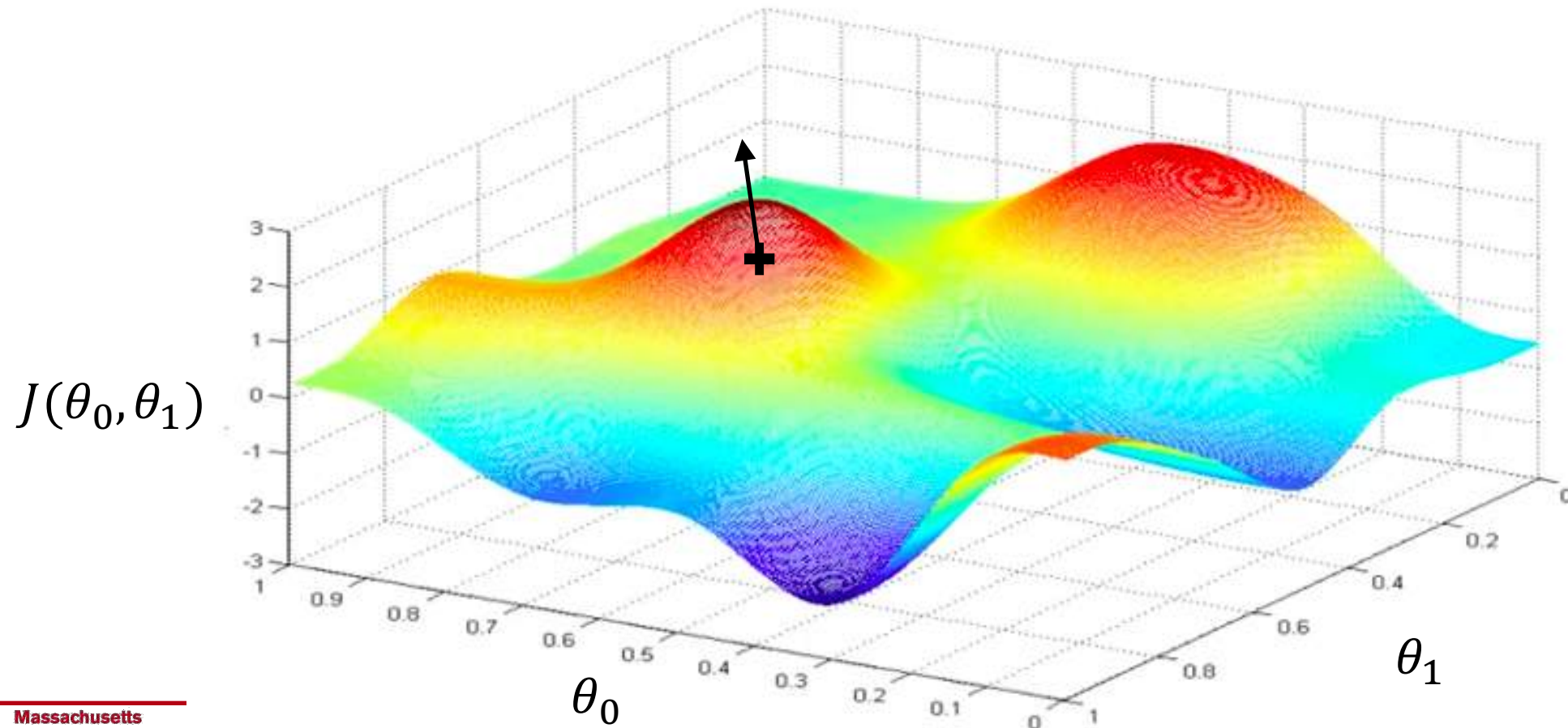
Loss Optimization

Randomly pick an initial (θ_0, θ_1)



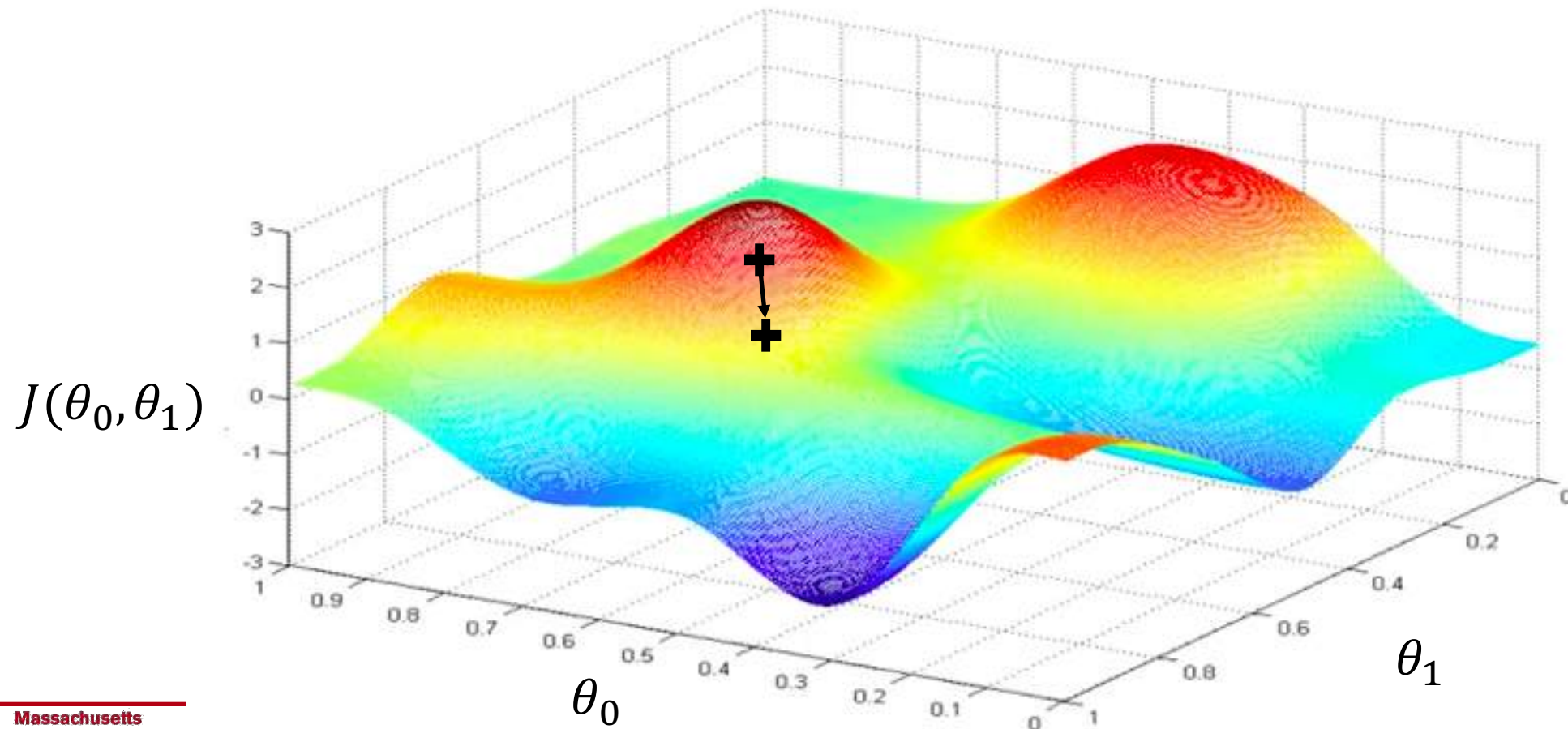
Loss Optimization

Compute gradient, $\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$



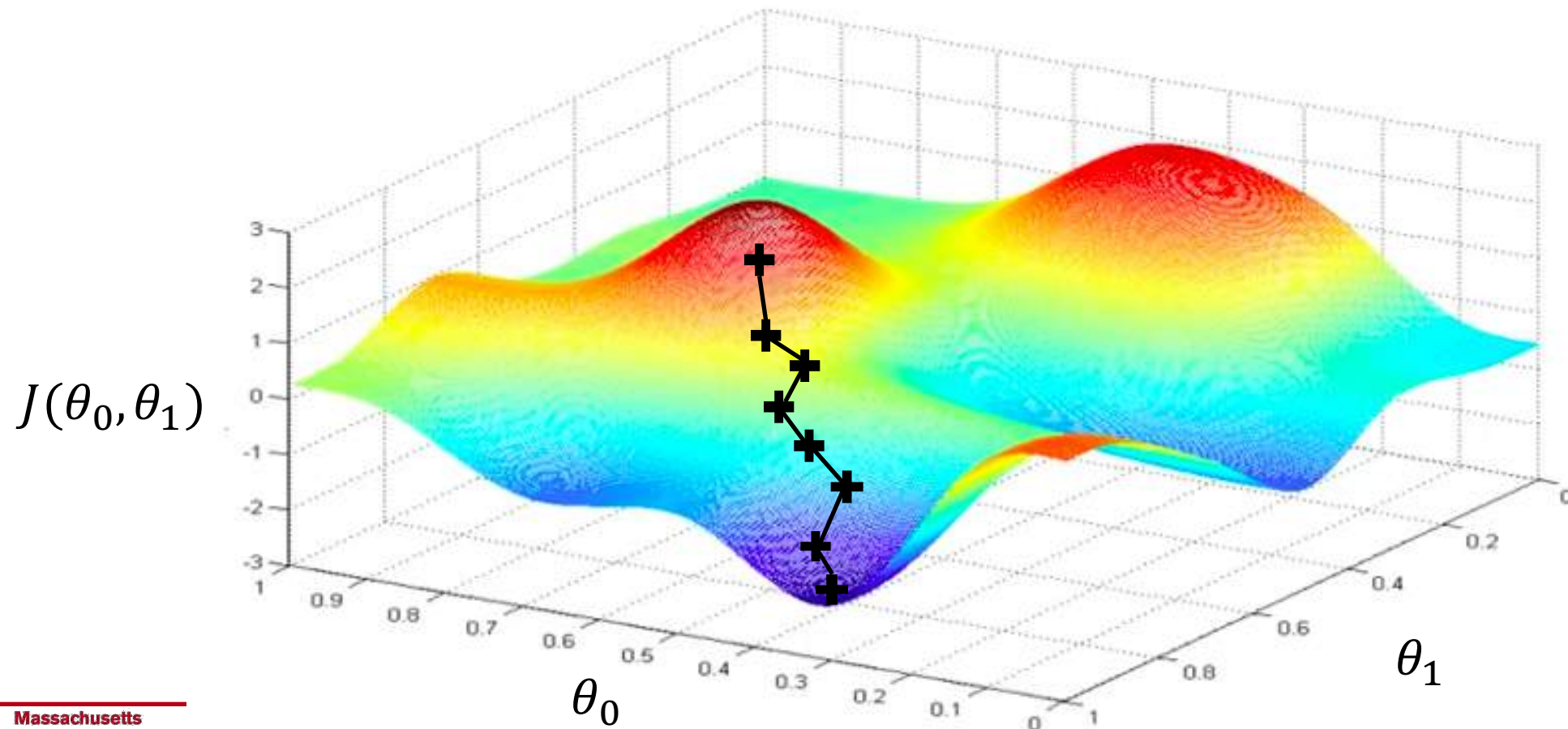
Loss Optimization

Take small step in opposite direction of gradient



Gradient Descent

Repeat until convergence



Gradient Descent

Algorithm

1. Initialize weights randomly $\sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$
2. Loop until convergence:
3. Compute gradient, $\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$
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5. Return weights

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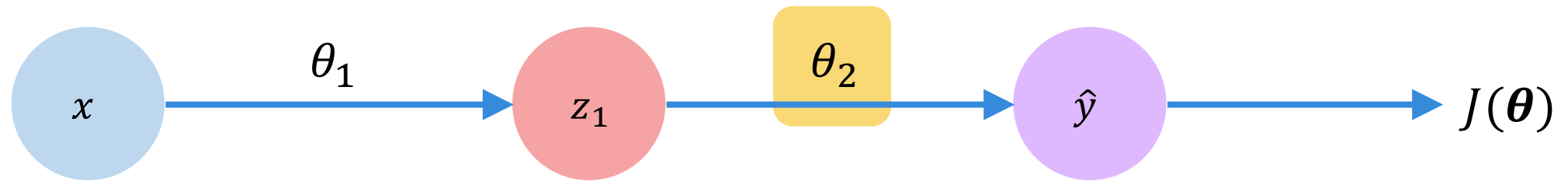
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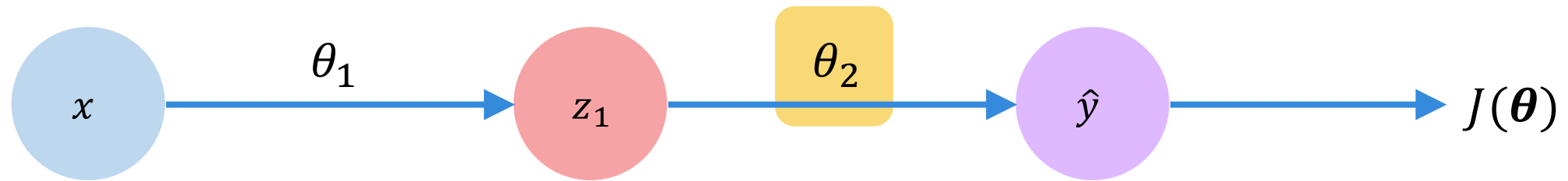
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Computing Gradients: Backpropagation



How does a small change in one weight (ex. θ_2) affect the final loss $J(\theta)$?

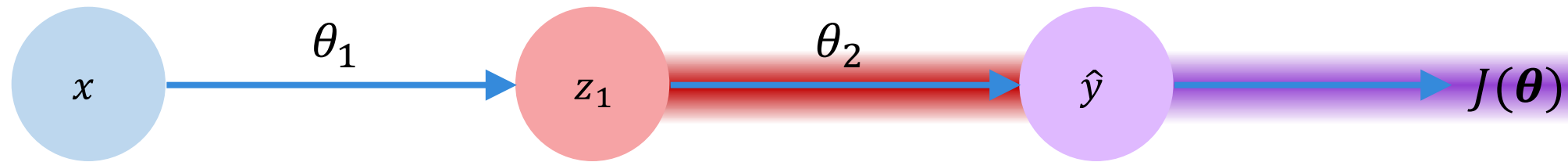
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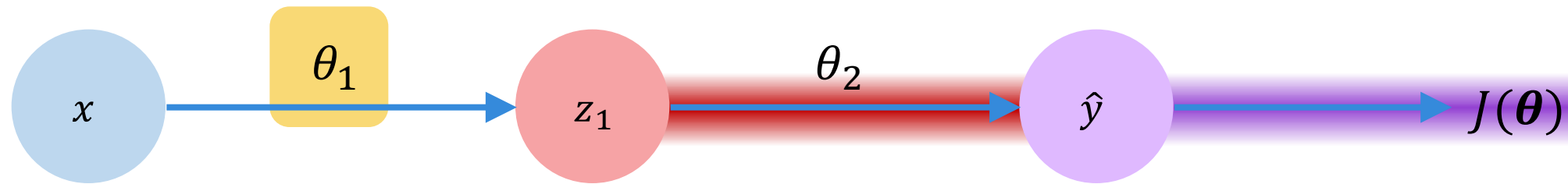
Let's use the chain rule!

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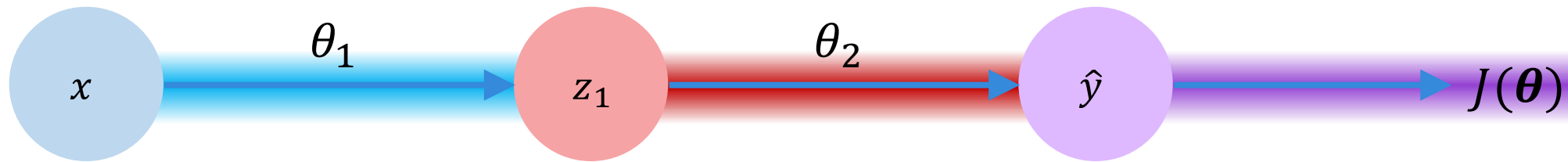


$$\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_1} = \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \hat{y}} * \frac{\partial \hat{y}}{\partial \theta_1}$$

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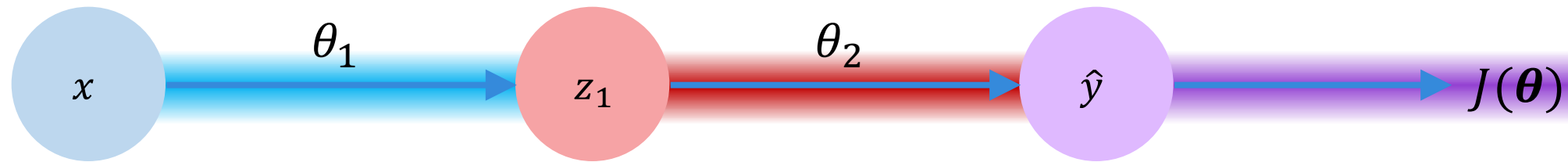
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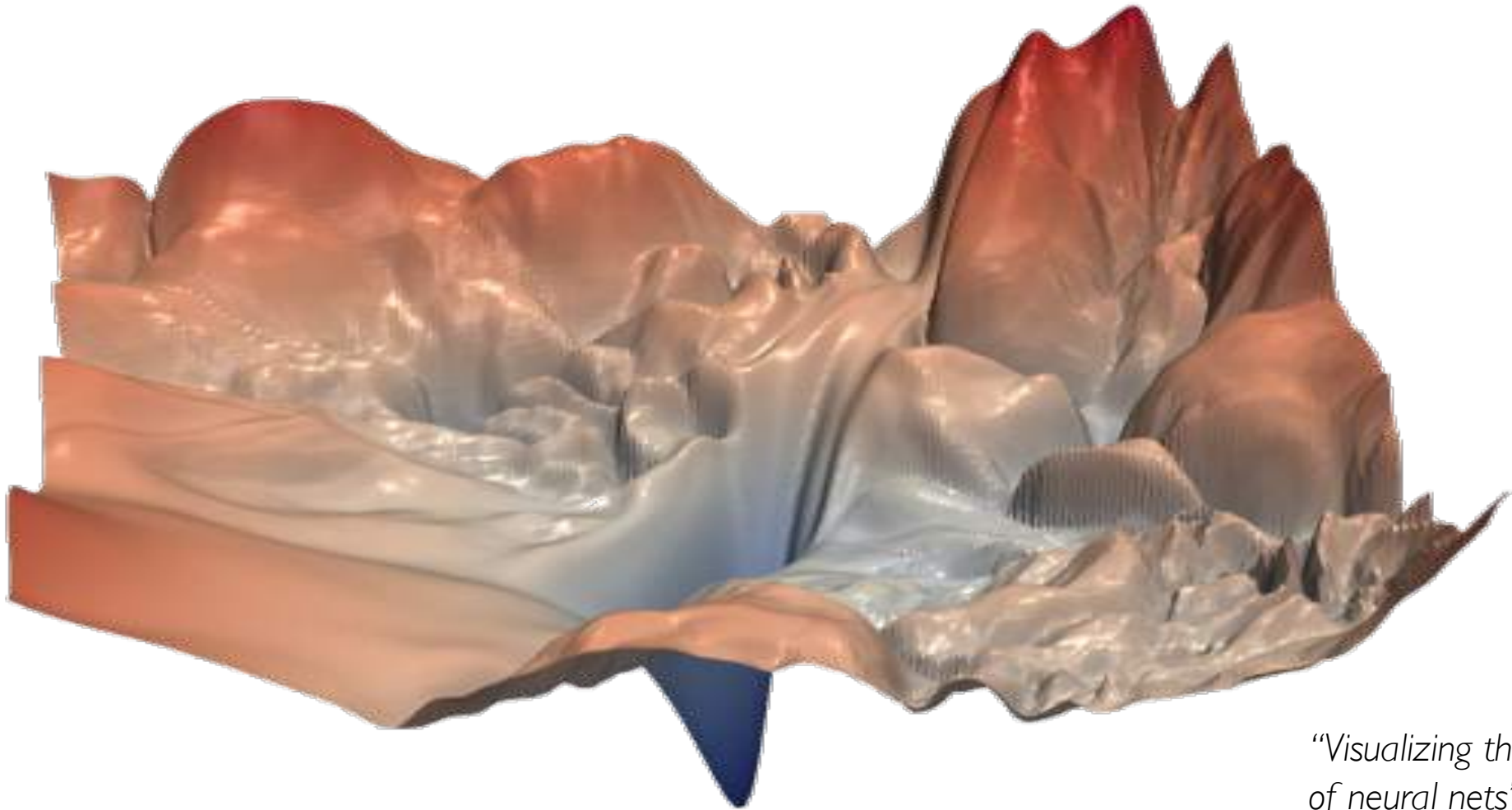


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Repeat this for **every weight in the network** using gradients from later layers

Neural Networks in Practice: Optimization

Training Neural Networks is Difficult



“Visualizing the loss landscape of neural nets”. Dec 2017.

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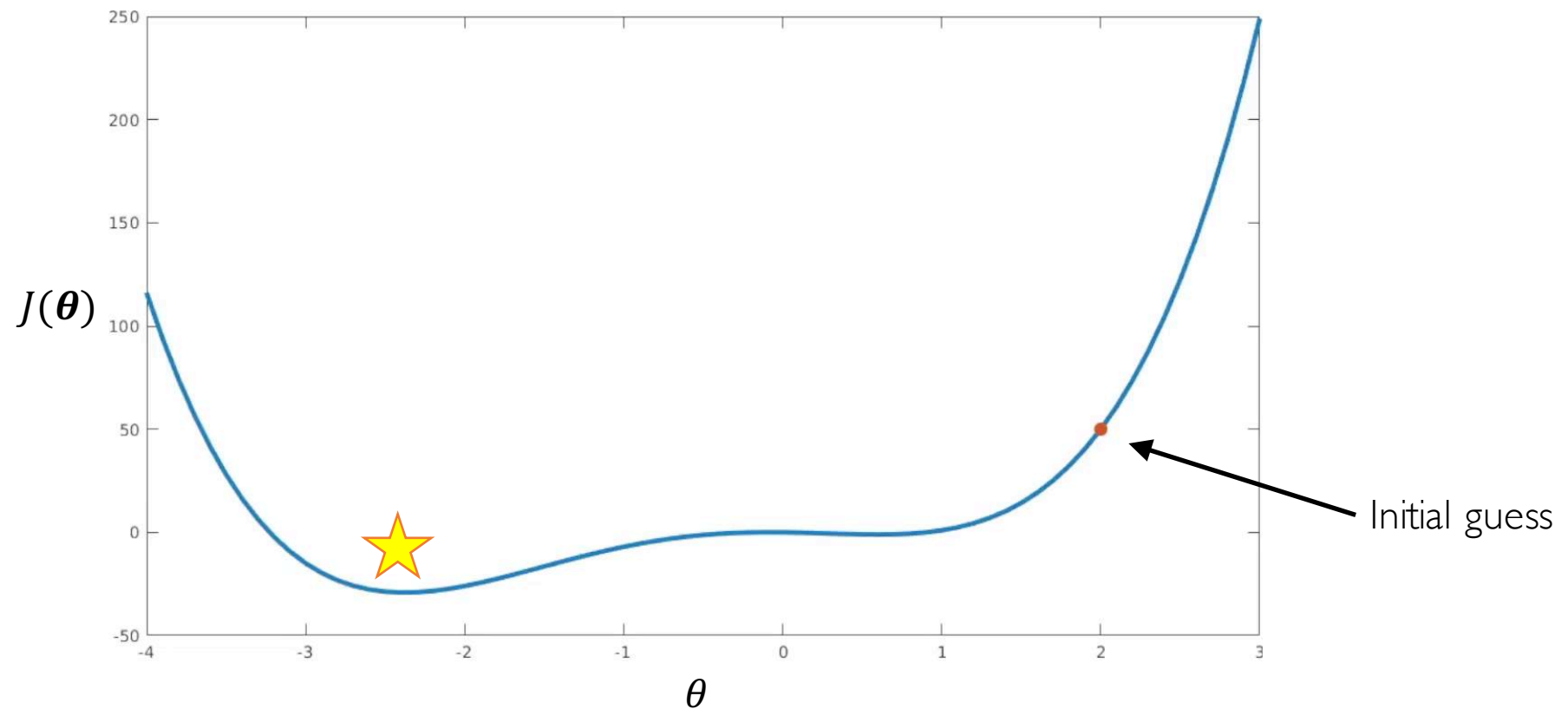
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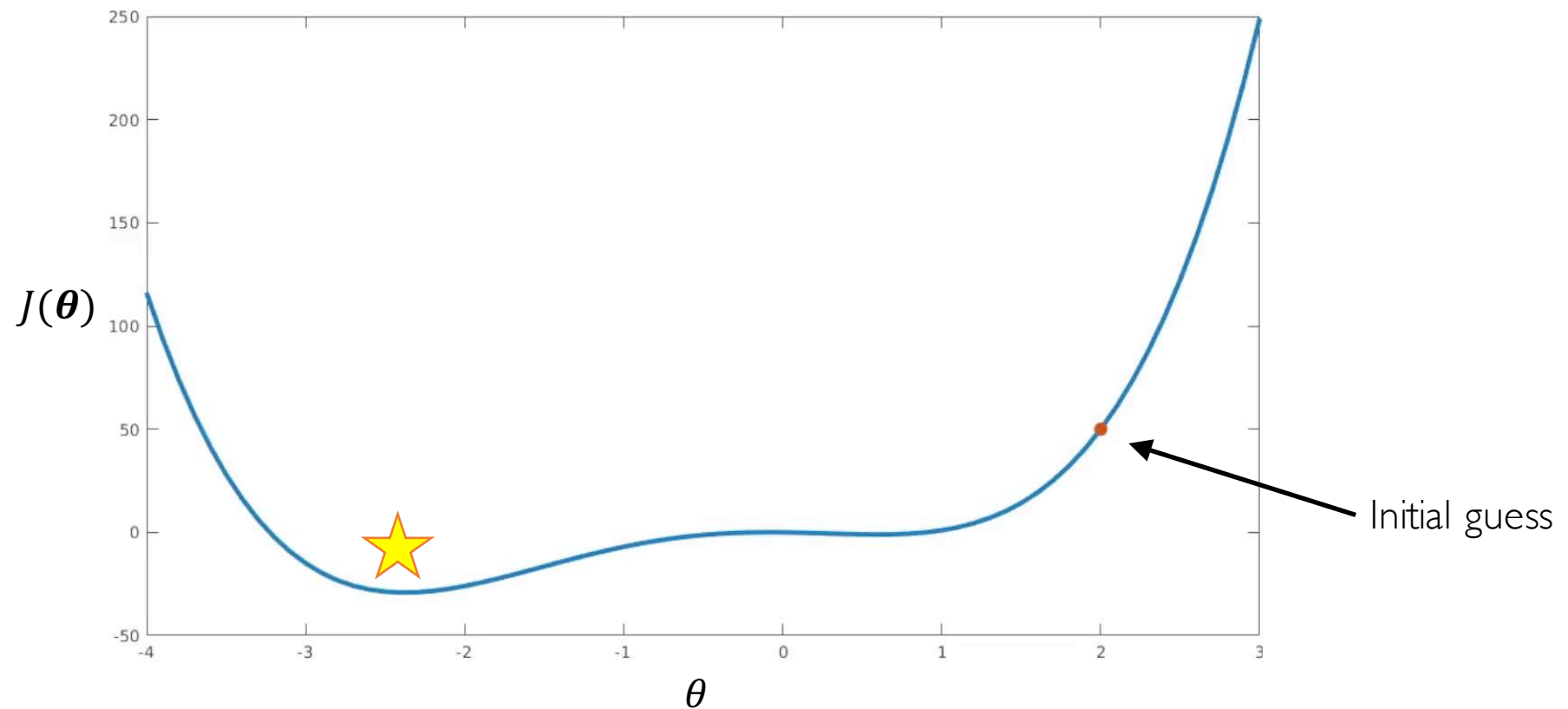
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Small learning rate converges slowly and gets stuck in false local minima



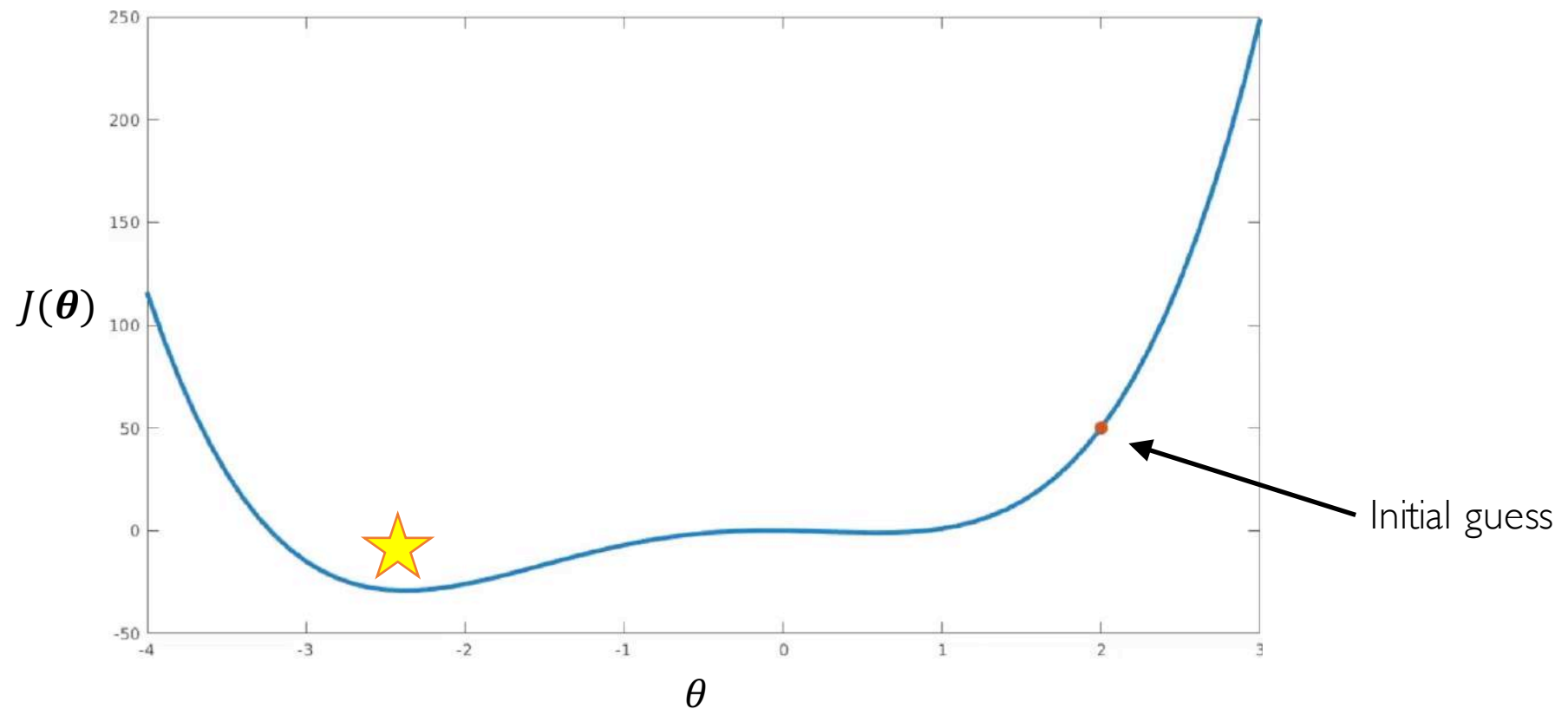
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Large learning rates overshoot, become unstable and diverge



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Stable learning rates converge smoothly and avoid local minima



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Idea 2:

Do something smarter!

Design an adaptive learning rate that “adapts” to the landscape

Adaptive Learning Rates

- Learning rates are no longer fixed
- Can be made larger or smaller depending on:
 - how large gradient is
 - how fast learning is happening
 - size of particular weights
 - etc...

Adaptive Learning Rate Algorithms

- Momentum
- Adagrad
- Adadelta
- Adam
- RMSProp



`tf.train.MomentumOptimizer`



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Qian et al. "On the momentum term in gradient descent learning algorithms." 1999.

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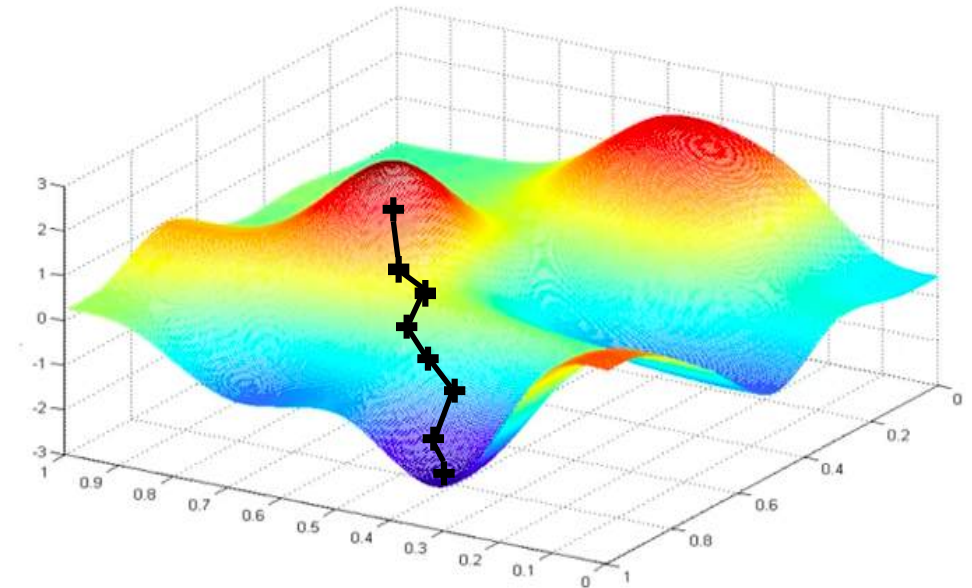
Additional details: <http://ruder.io/optimizing-gradient-descent/>

Neural Networks in Practice: Mini-batches

Gradient Descent

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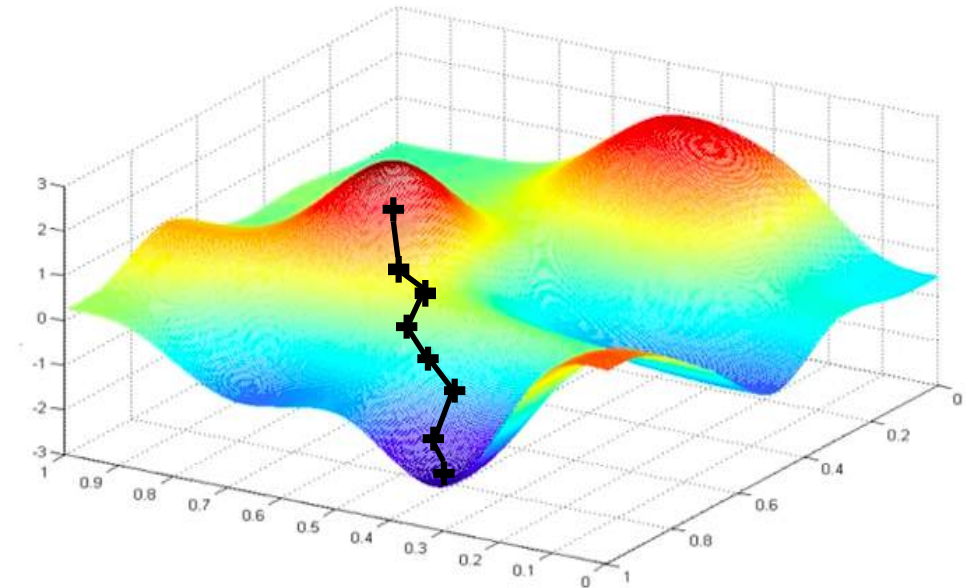


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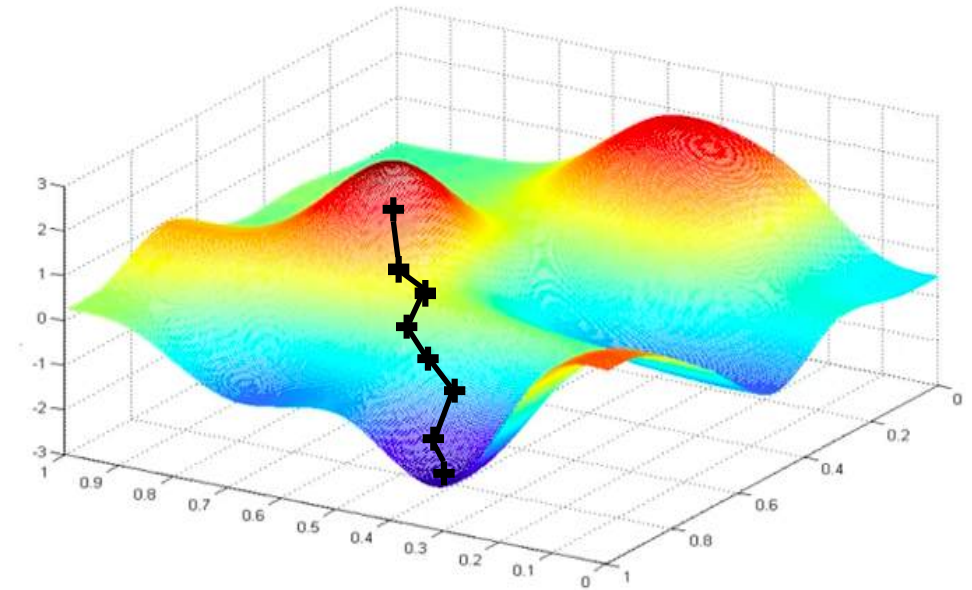
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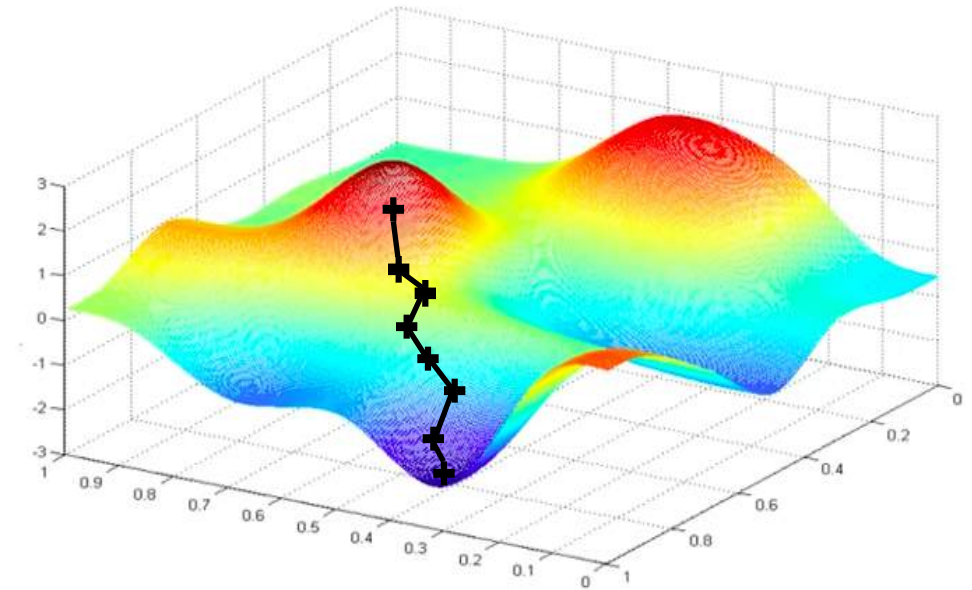


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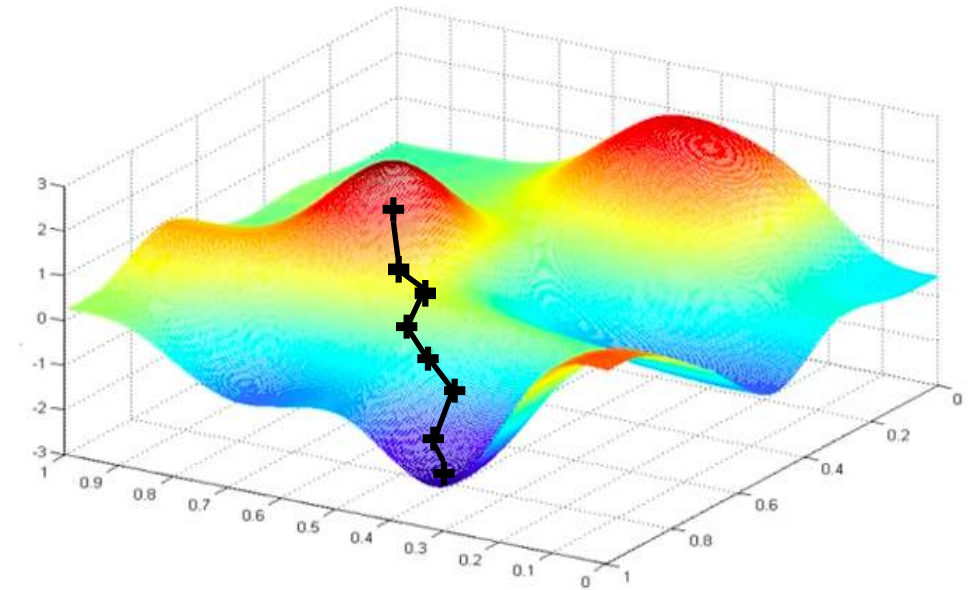
Easy to compute but
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(stochastic)!



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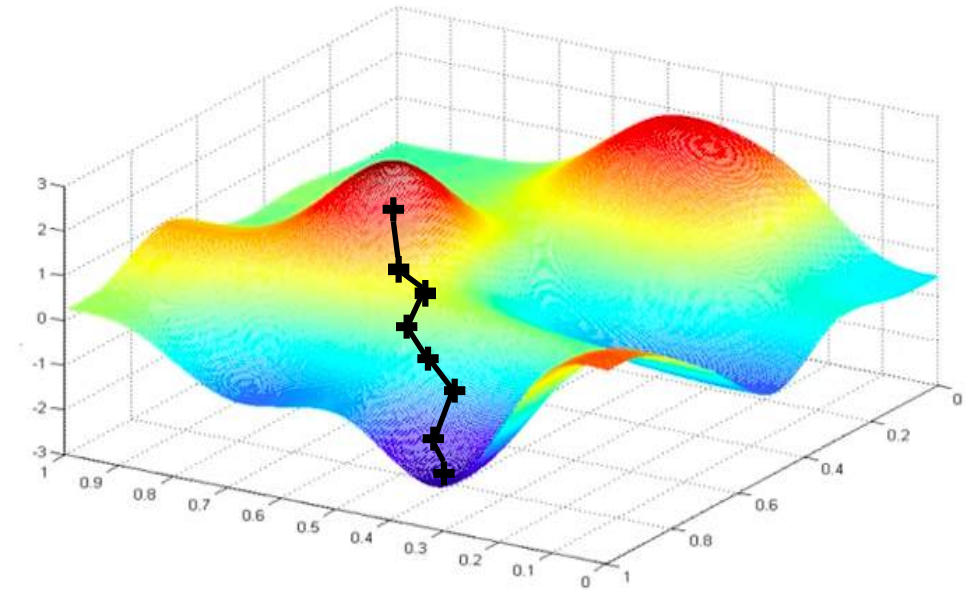
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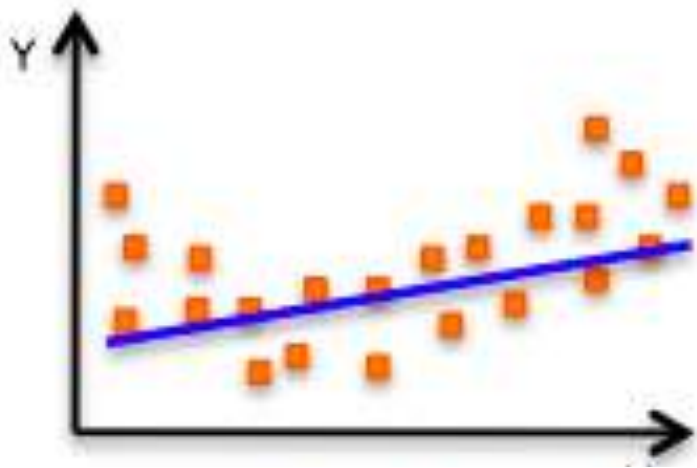
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Mini-batches lead to fast training!

Can parallelize computation + achieve significant speed increases on GPU's

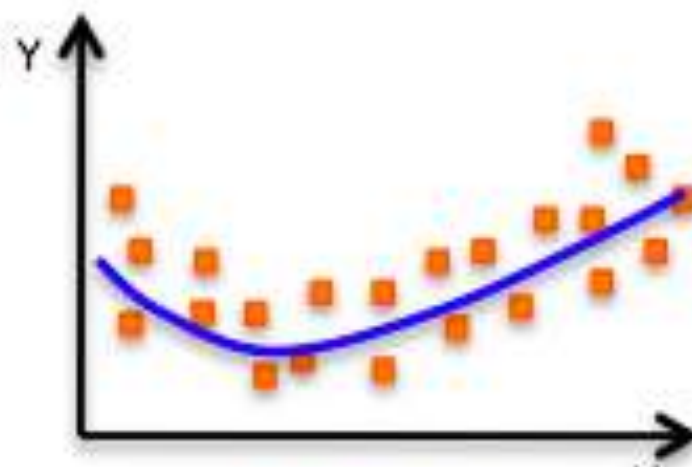
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The Problem of Overfitting

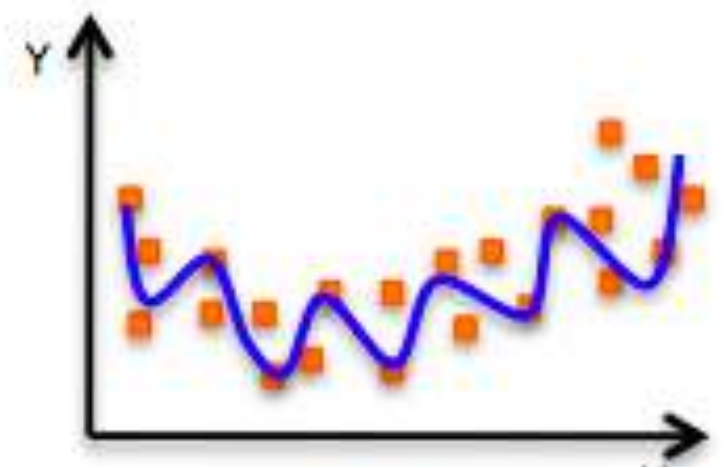


Underfitting

Model does not have capacity to fully learn the data



Ideal fit



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Too complex, extra parameters, does not generalize well

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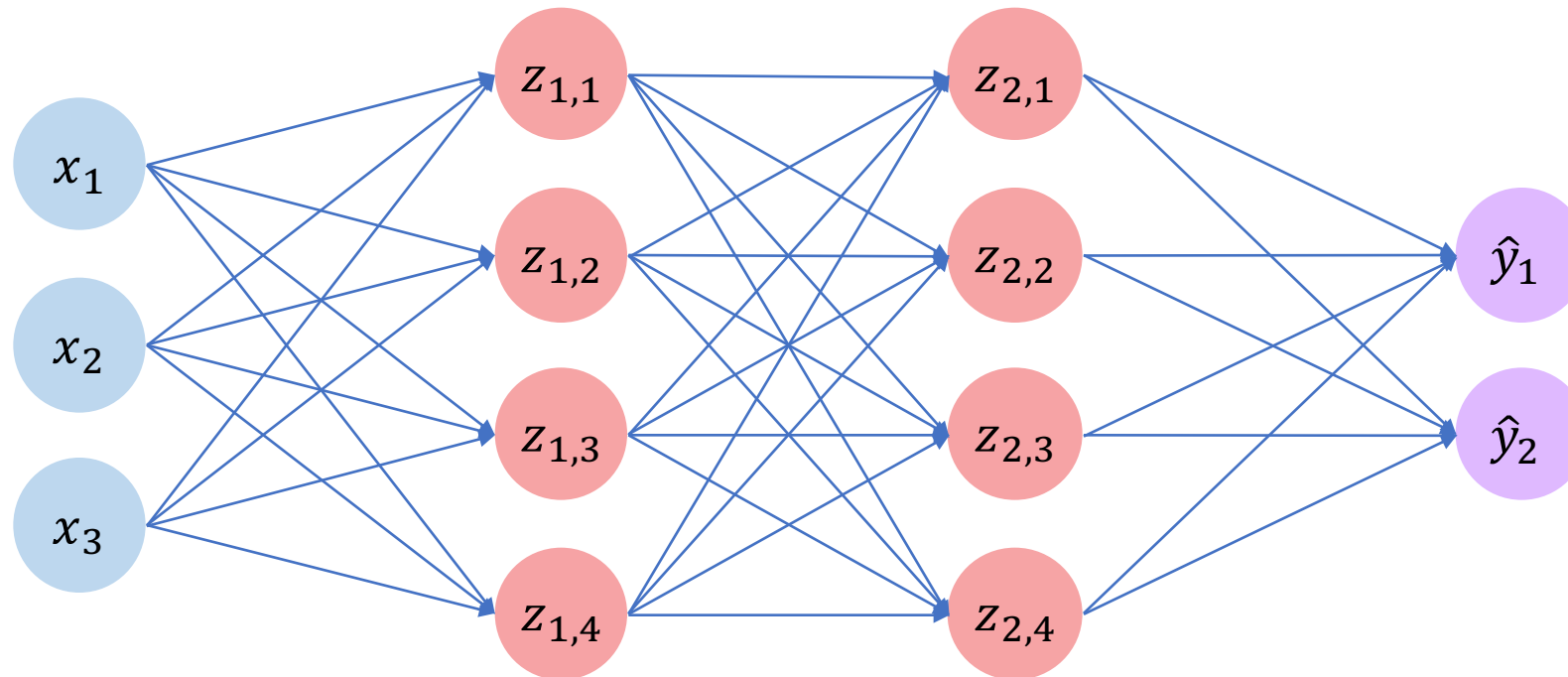
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Why do we need it?

Improve generalization of our model on unseen data

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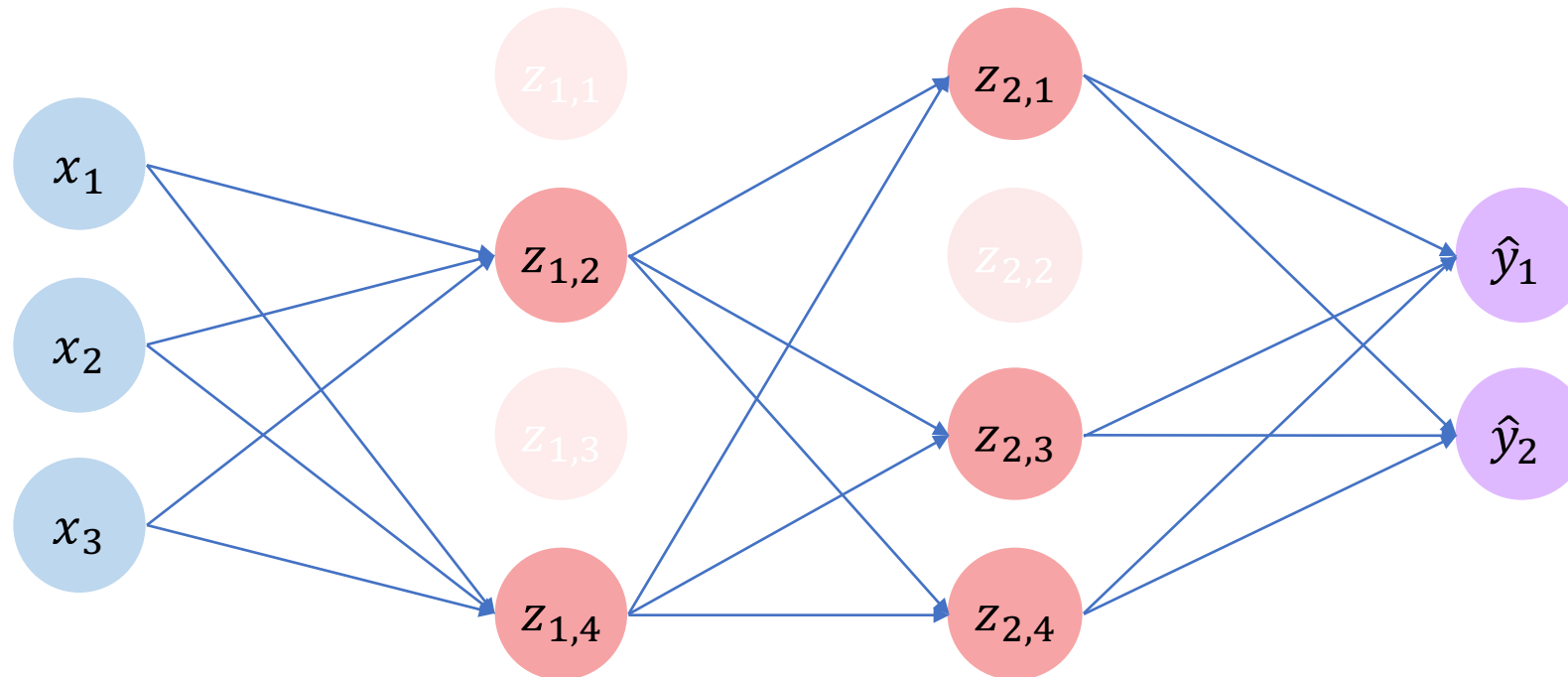


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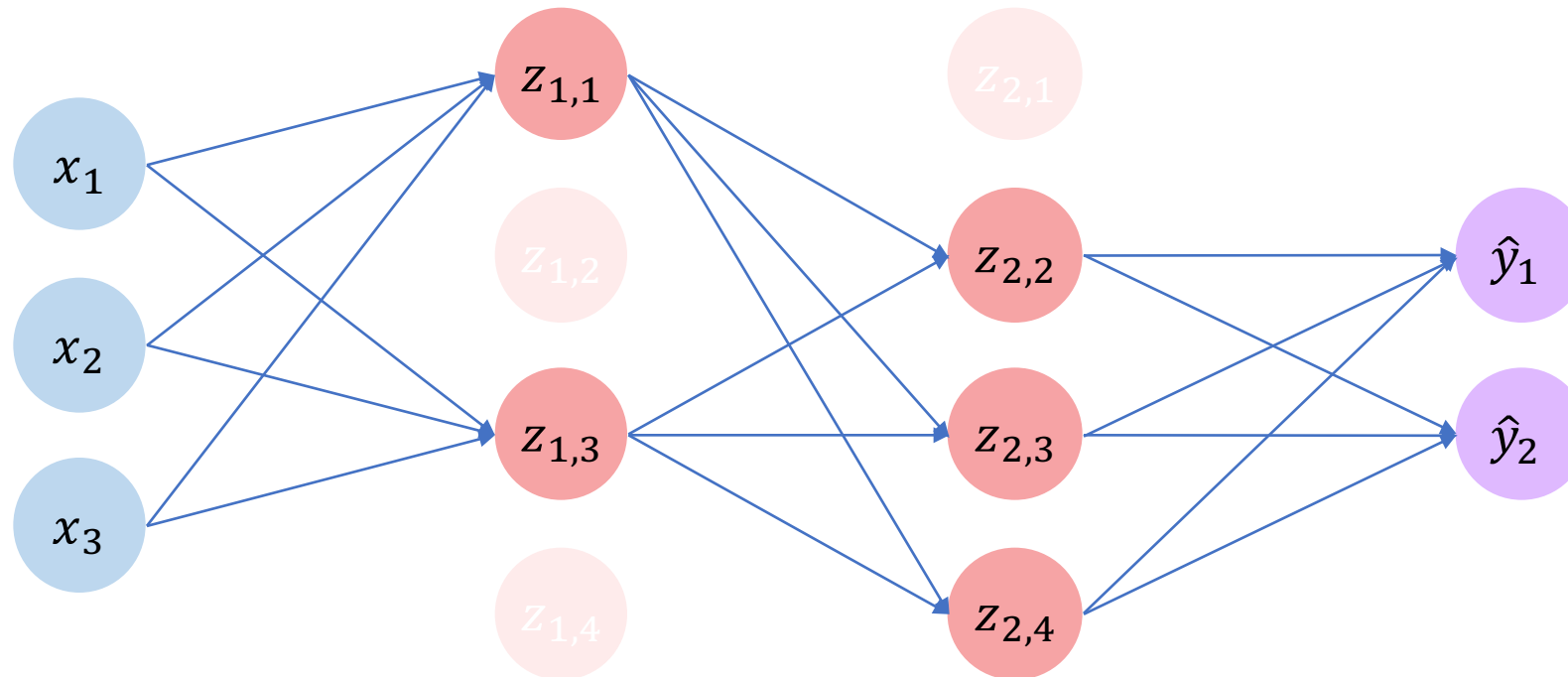


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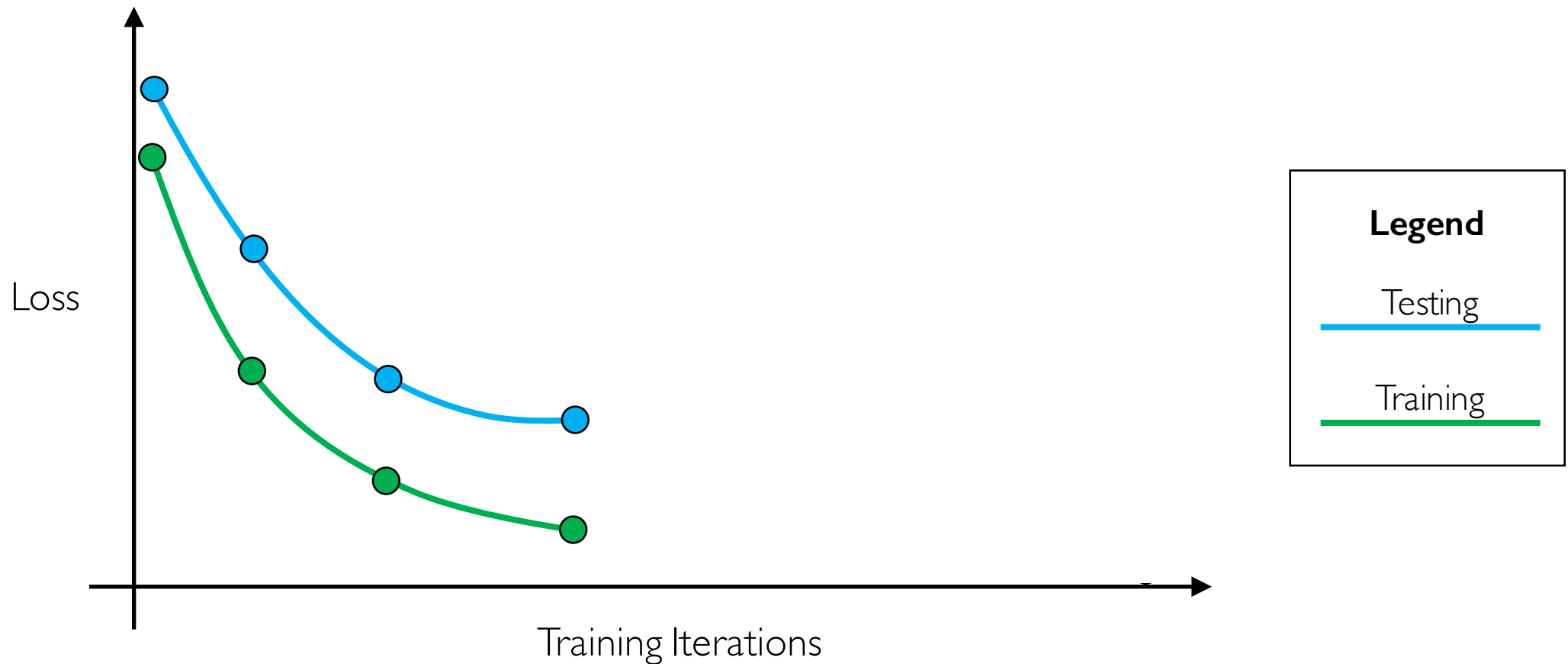
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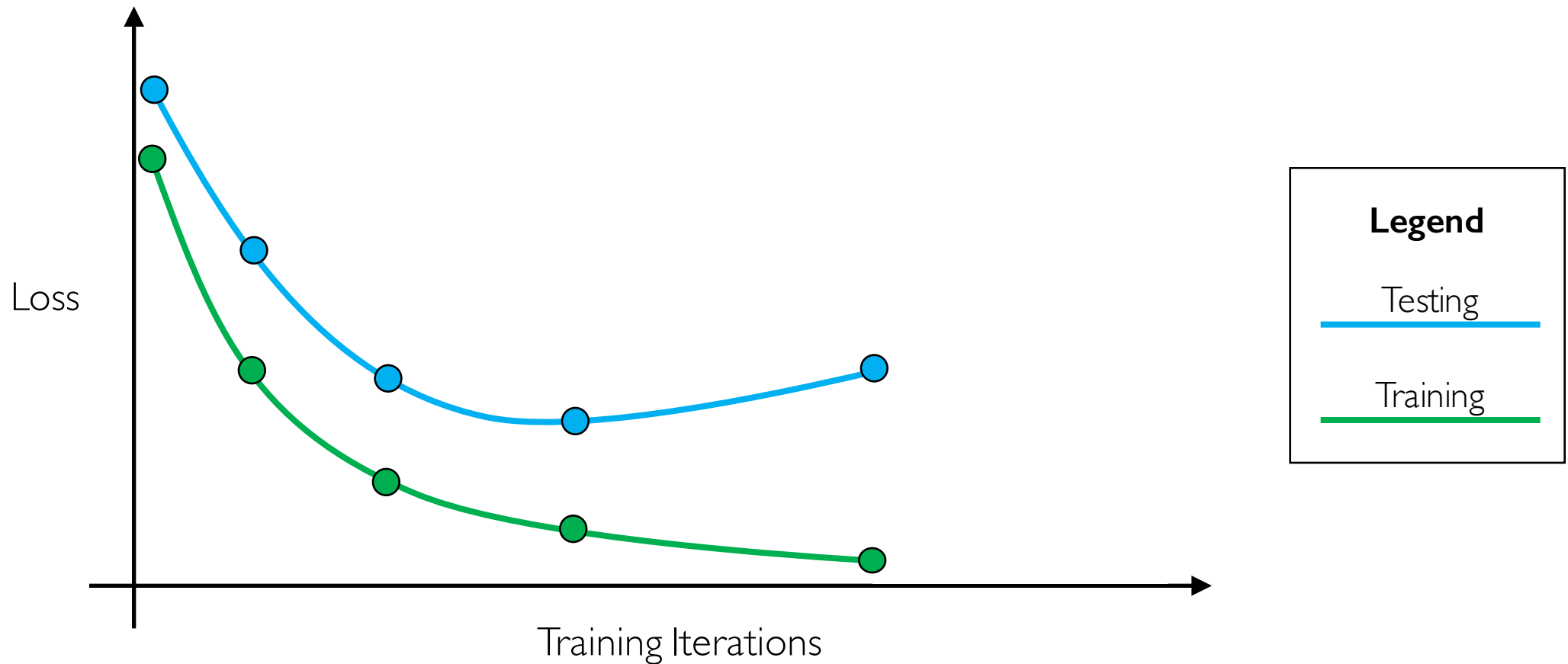
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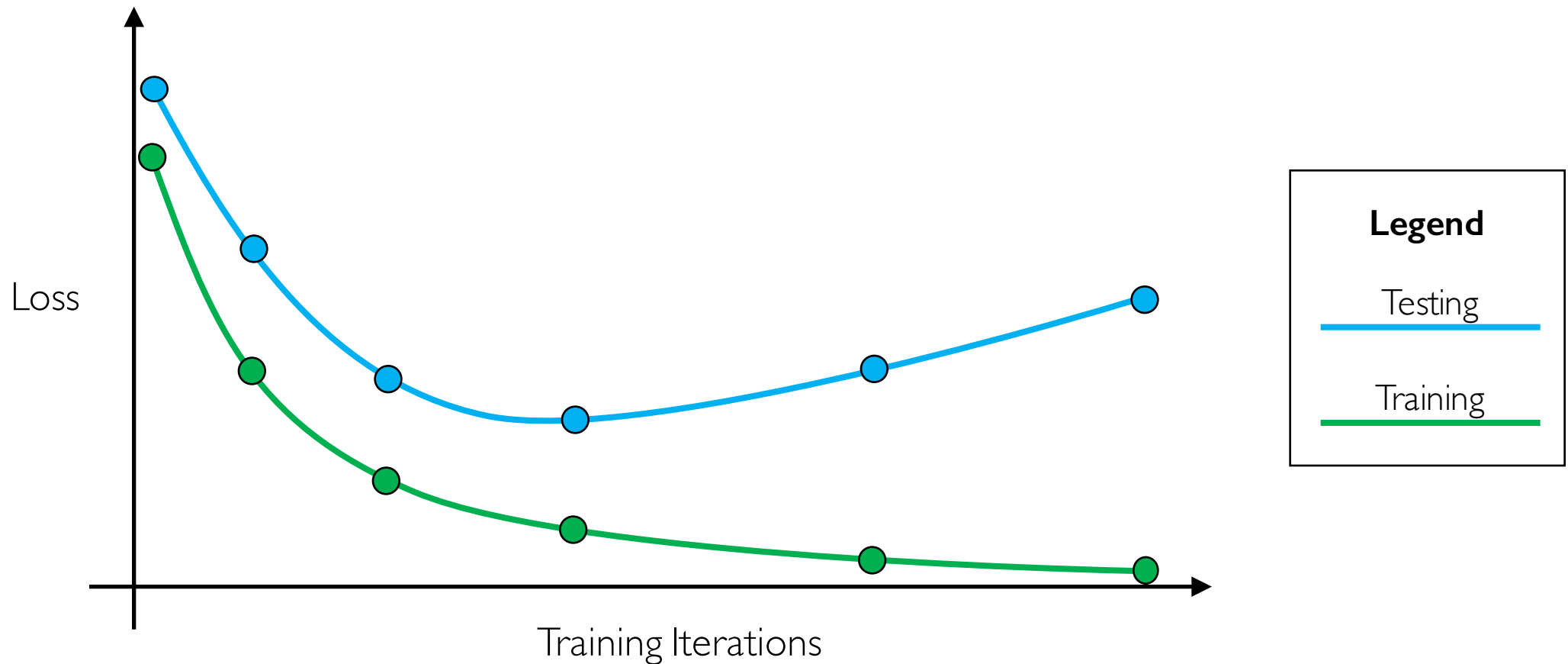
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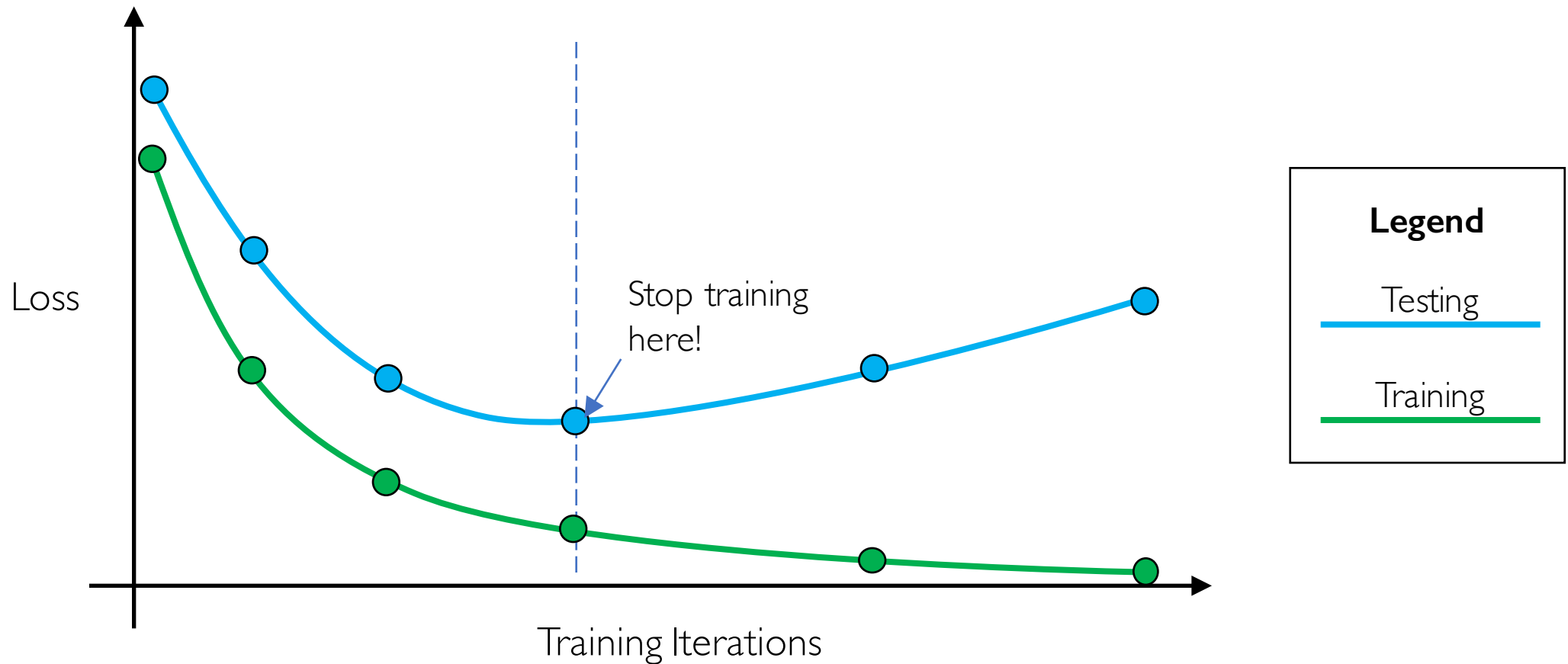
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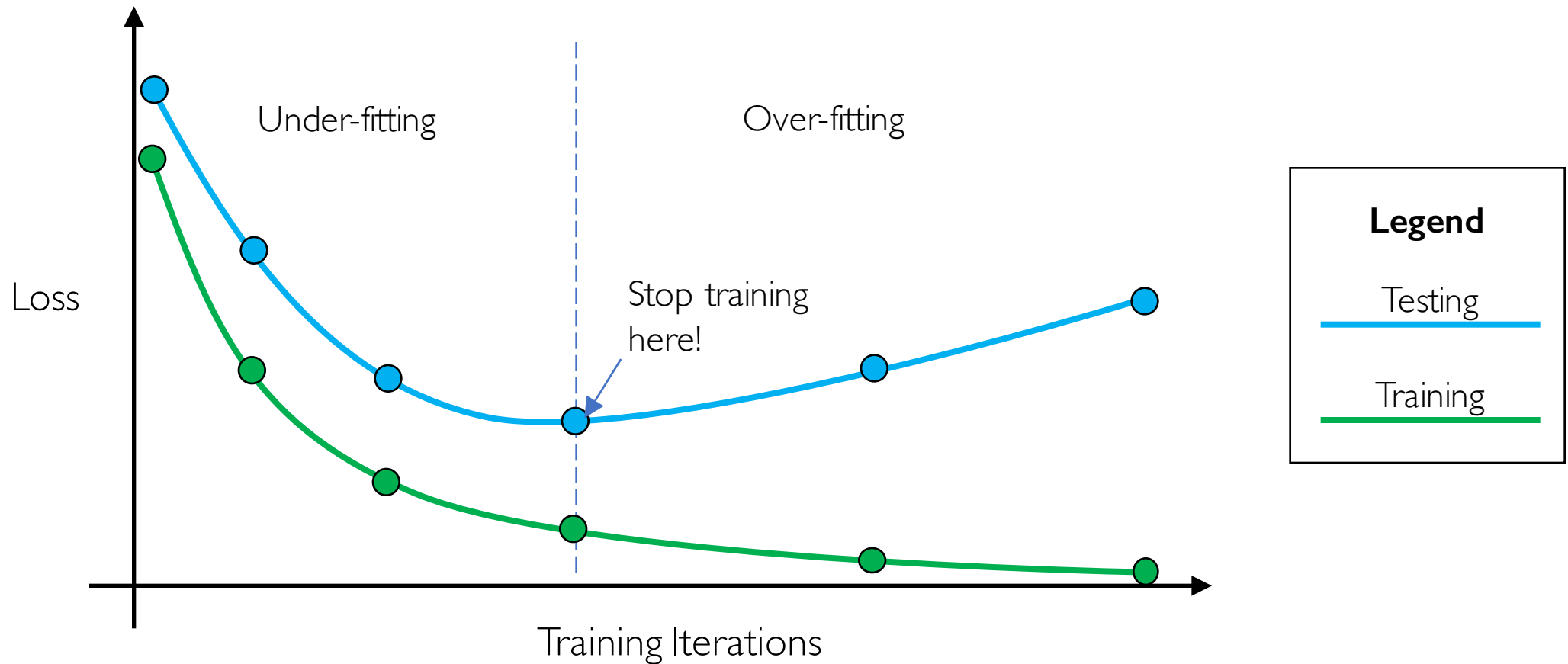
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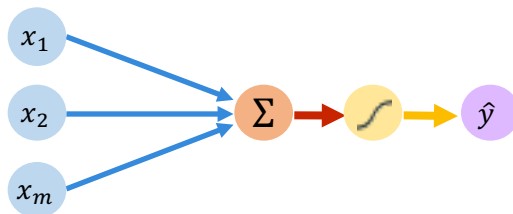
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Core Foundation Review

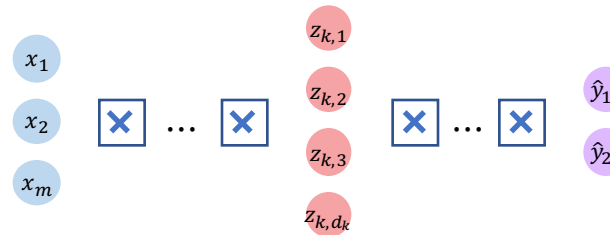
The Perceptron

- Structural building blocks
- Nonlinear activation functions



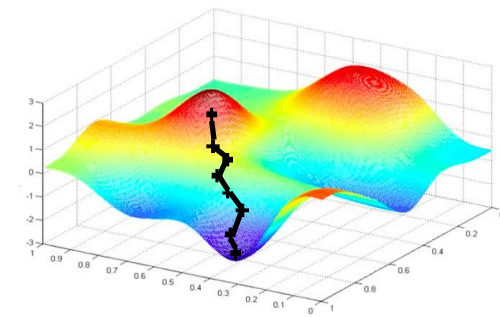
Neural Networks

- Stacking Perceptrons to form neural networks
- Optimization through backpropagation



Training in Practice

- Adaptive learning
- Batching
- Regularization



Questions?