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You can achieve a total of **6** points for this problem set.

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A multilayer perceptron with $L \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ layers & activation function could be represented as: $f = T_L \circ \rho \circ T_{L-1} \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1$, where all T s are affine function

(a). Yes $f(x) = T_2 \circ \rho \circ T_1(x)$, where:

$$T_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} x, \quad T_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x \quad \text{proved with construction}$$

(b). No. since $\rho(x)$ is linear, and all T s are required to be linear (affine)

$f(x)$ is a linear combination of linear functions, which is also linear.

It could not be quadratic ($f(x) = x^2$)

(c). Yes. $f(x) = T_2 \circ \rho \circ T_1(x)$, where:

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We make use of the fact that the set of real valued function defined on some non-empty set S (in this case $S = \mathbb{R}^d$) $F: S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a vector space. let the set of abovementioned functions as V

(1) closure under addition:

$$\text{let } f_1, f_2 \in V, \quad f_1 = T_L^1 \circ \rho \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1^1, \quad f_2 = T_L^2 \circ \rho \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1^2$$

$$\text{, where all } T\text{'s and } T\text{'s are in matrix format: } T_i^j(x) = A_i^{j^T} x + b_i^{j^T}$$

define $g = T_L \circ \rho \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1$, where: for $k = 1, 2, \dots, L-1$.

$$T_k = \begin{pmatrix} A_k^1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_k^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x^1 \\ x^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_k^1 \cdot x^1 \\ A_k^2 \cdot x^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A_L^1 & 0 \\ 0 & A_L^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^1 \\ x^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

So that $g(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) \in V$.

② Closure under scalar multiplication

let $f \in V$: $f = T_L \circ \rho \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1$, constant be c .

define $g = T_L' \circ \rho \circ \dots \circ \rho \circ T_1'$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, L$. let $T_i = Ax + b$

then set $T_i' = Ax + cb$, so that $g(x) = c \cdot f(x) \in V$.

Hence, V is a subspace of $F: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, thus a vector space

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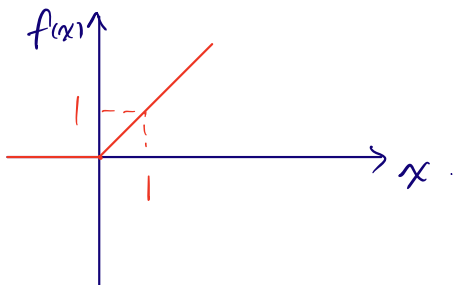
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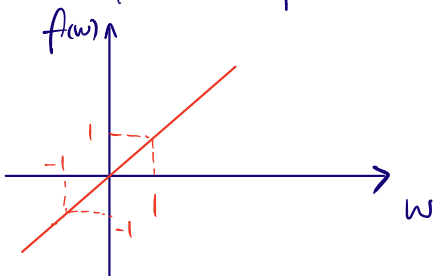
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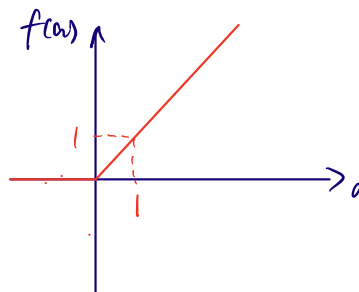
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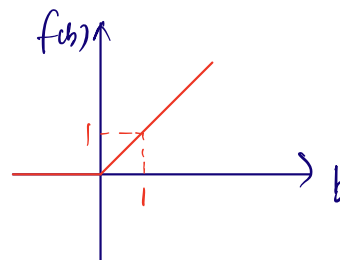
f as a function of w : let $a=1, b=1, x=0$



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