

# CS7015 (Deep Learning) : Lecture 3

Sigmoid Neurons, Gradient Descent, Feedforward Neural Networks,  
Representation Power of Feedforward Neural Networks

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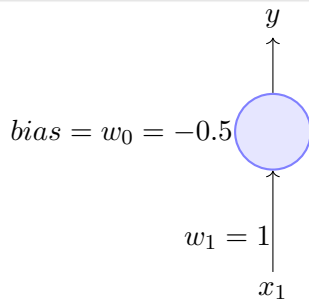
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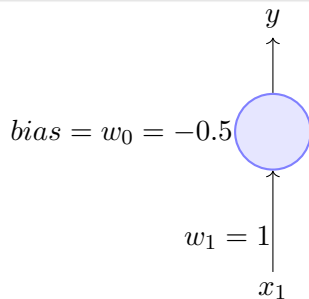
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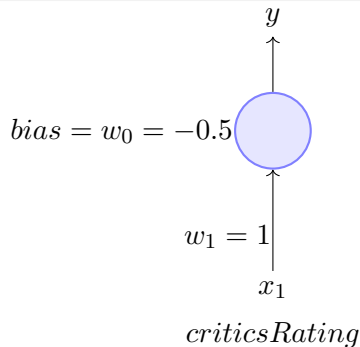




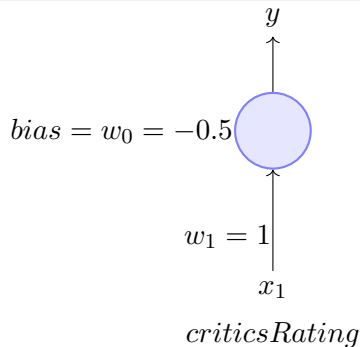
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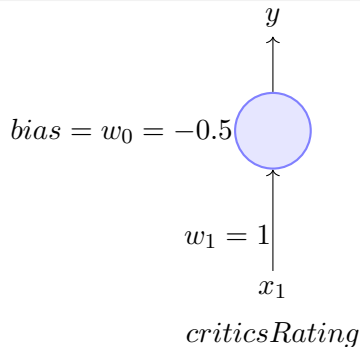
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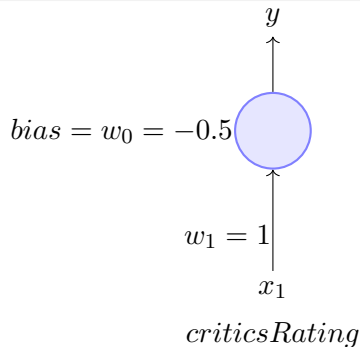
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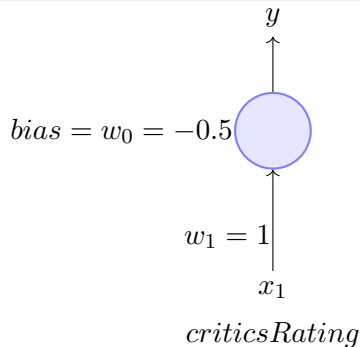
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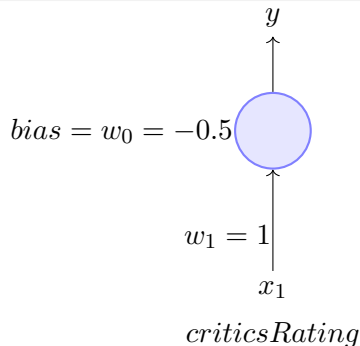
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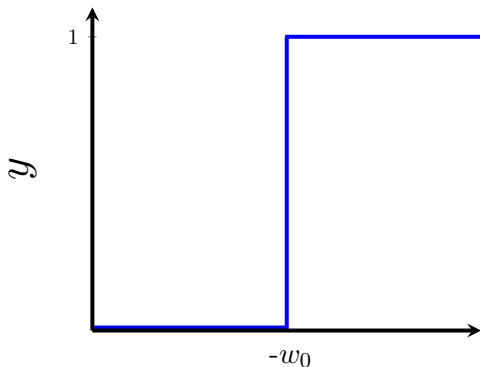
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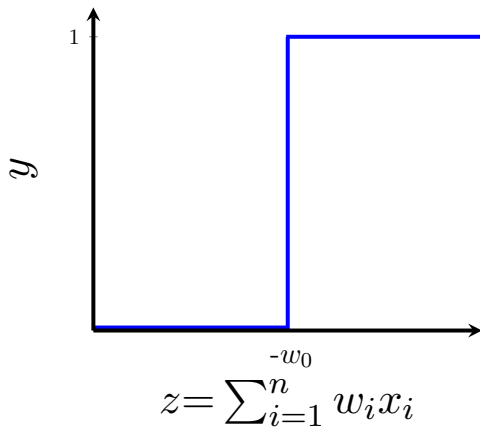


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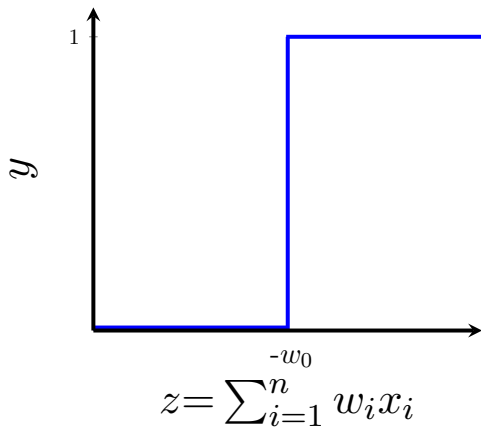


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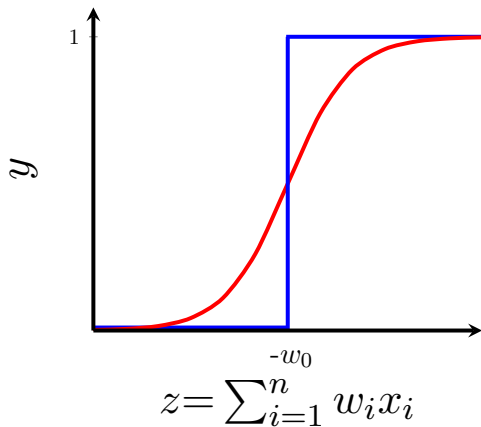


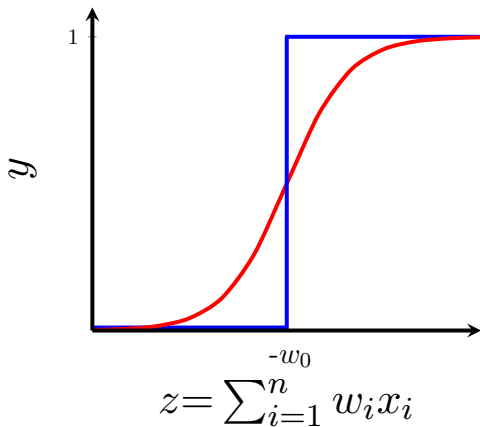
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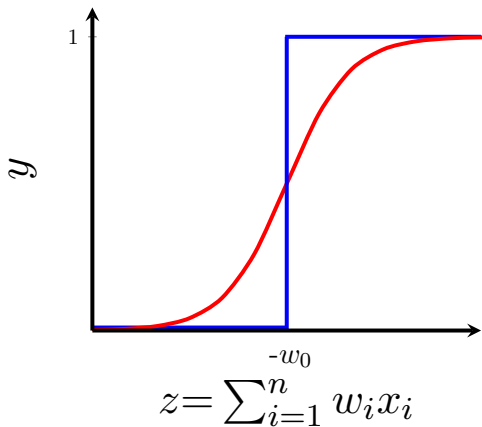
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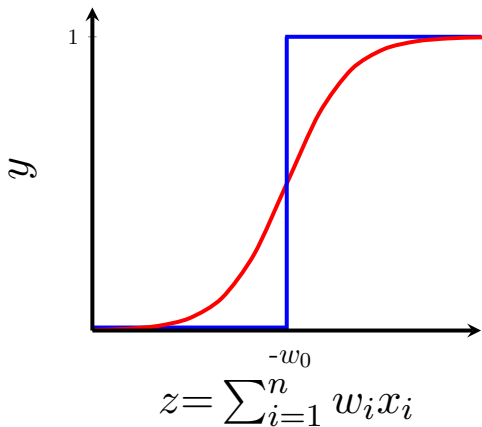
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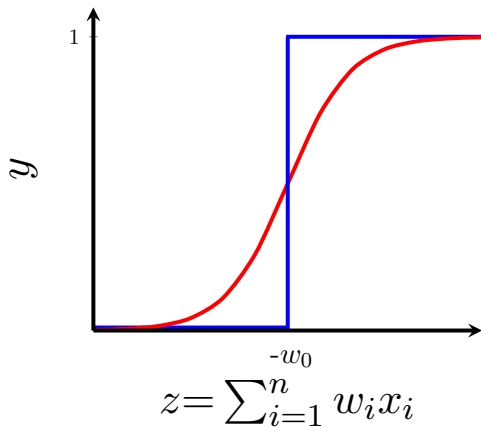


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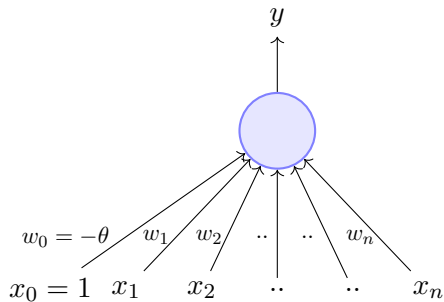


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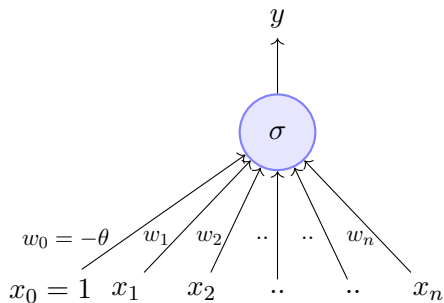
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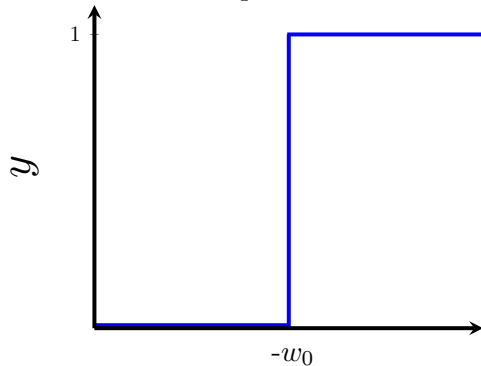
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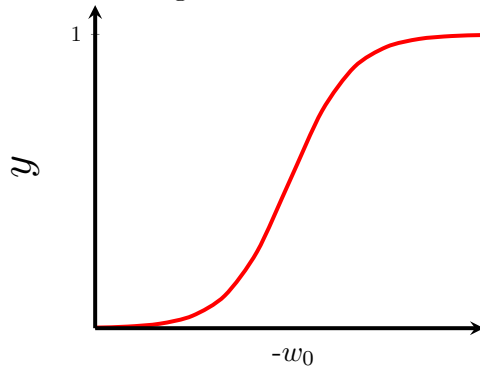
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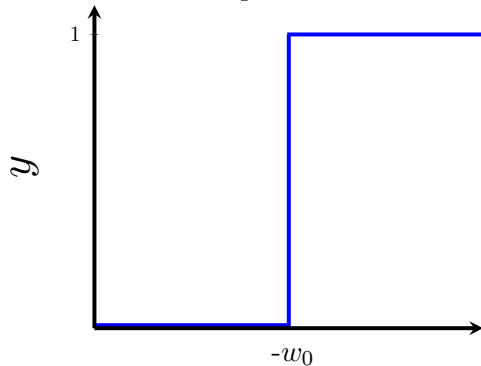
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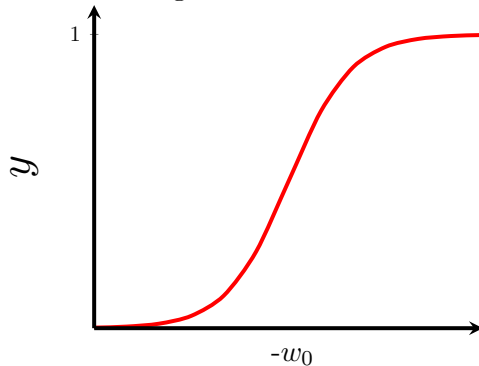
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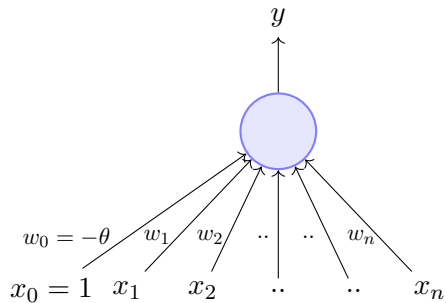
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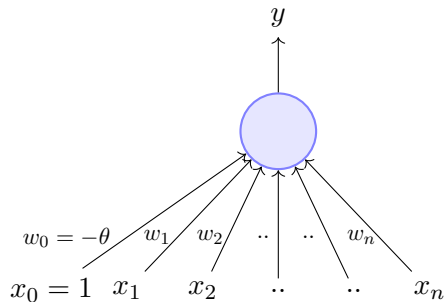
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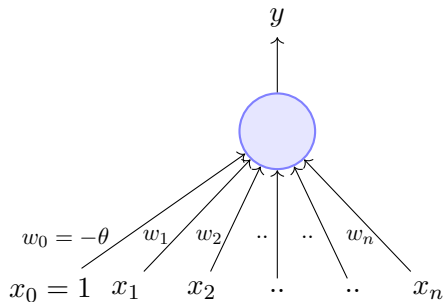


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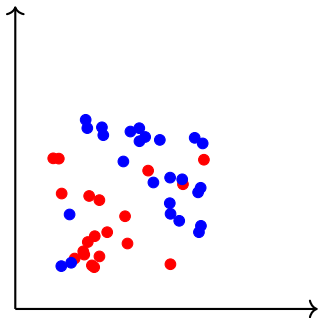
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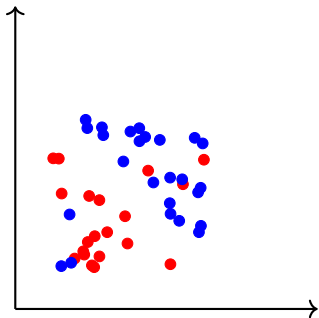


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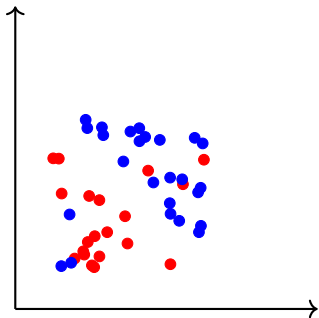


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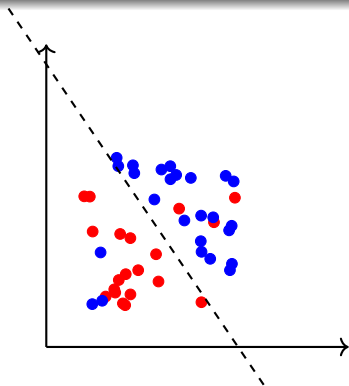




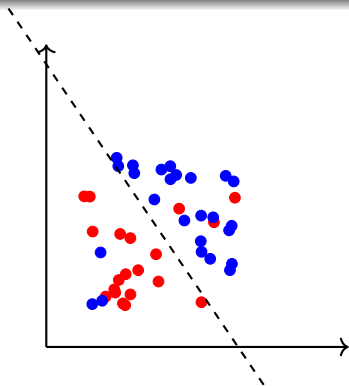
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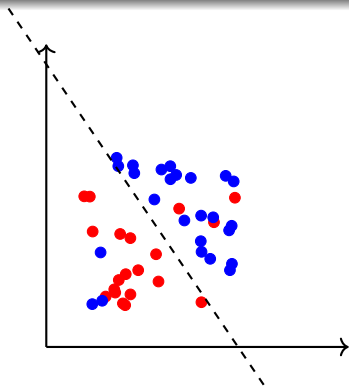
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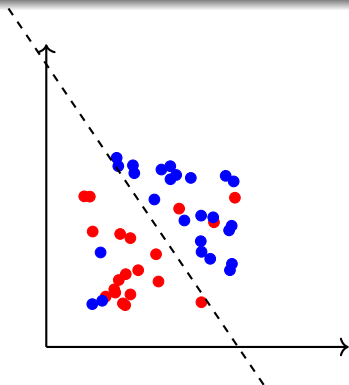
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As an illustration, consider our movie example

- **Data:**  $\{x_i = \text{movie}, y_i = \text{like/dislike}\}_{i=1}^n$
- **Model:** Our approximation of the relation between  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $y$  (the probability of liking a movie).

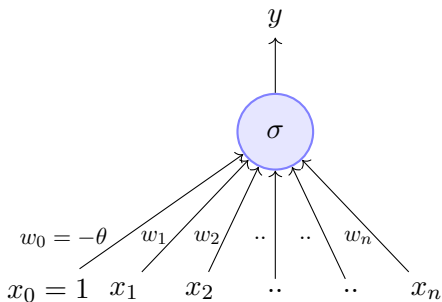
$$\hat{y} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})}}$$

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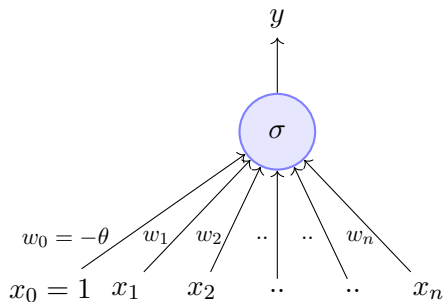
The learning algorithm should aim to find a  $w$  which minimizes the above function (squared error between  $y$  and  $\hat{y}$ )

## Module 3.3: Learning Parameters: (Infeasible) guess work



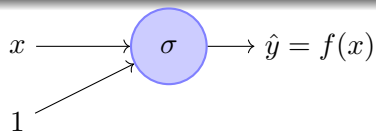
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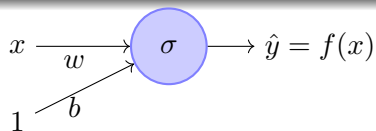
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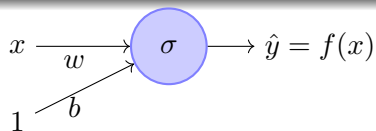
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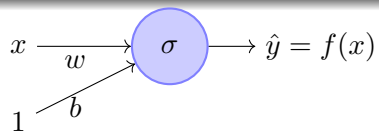
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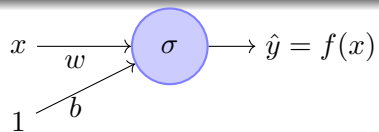


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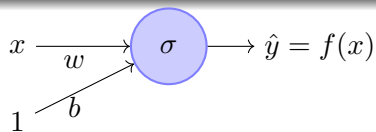
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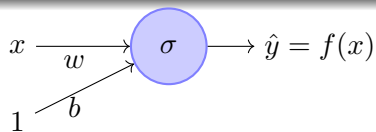
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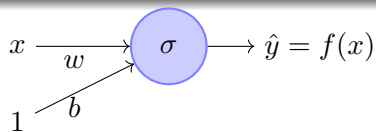
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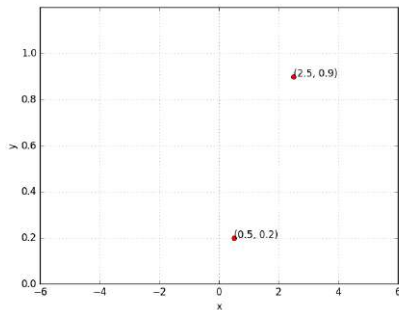
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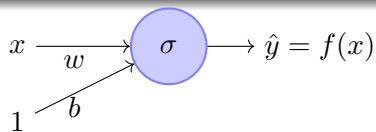


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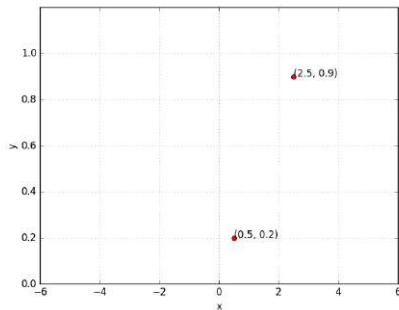


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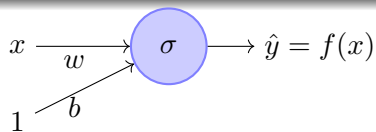


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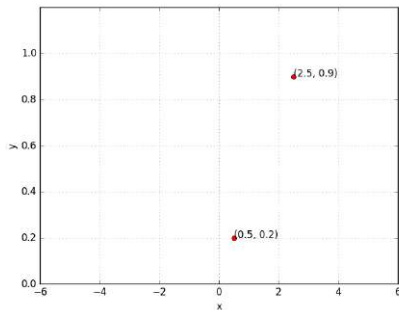


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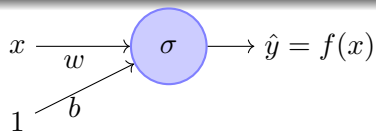
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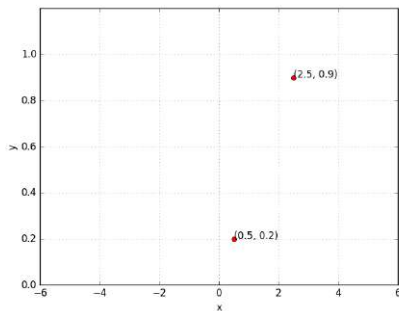
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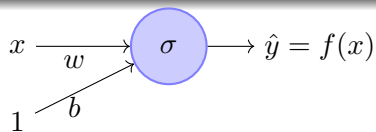


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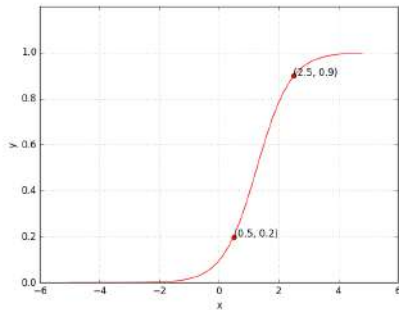
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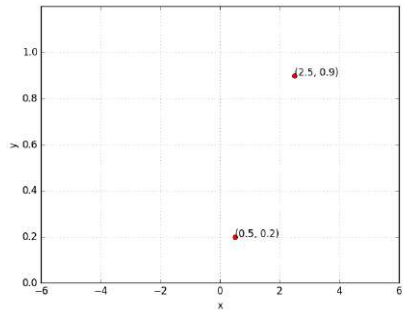
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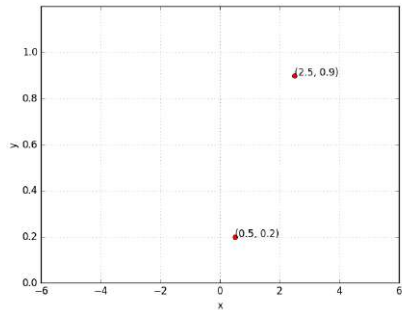
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*Let us see this in more detail....*



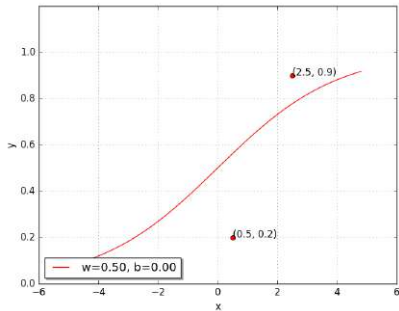
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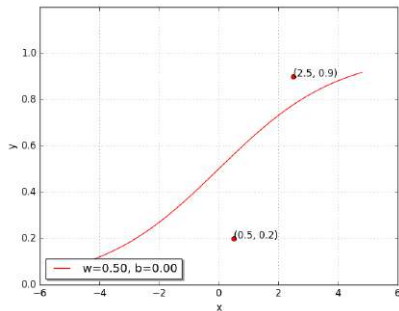
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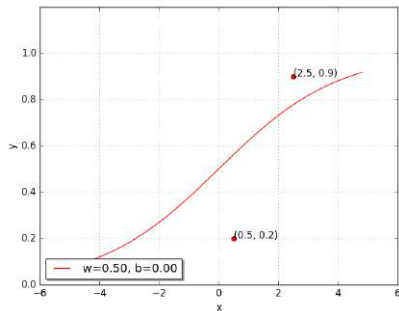
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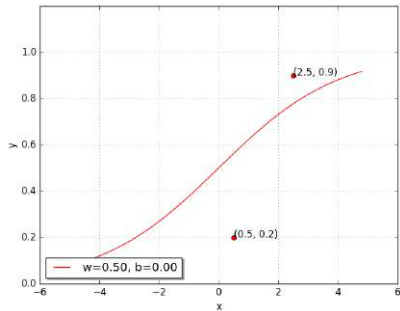
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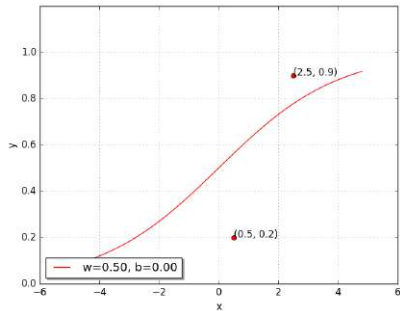
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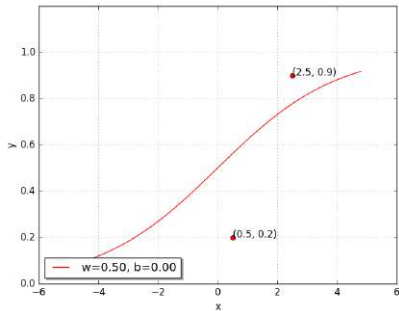
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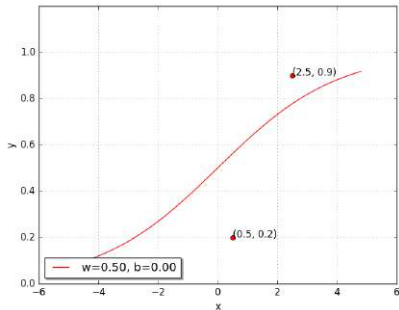
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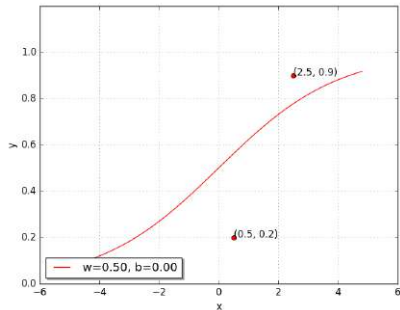
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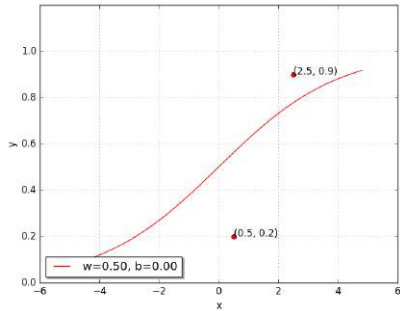


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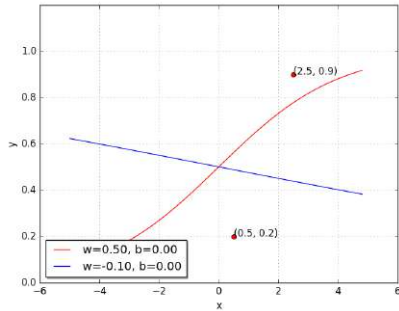
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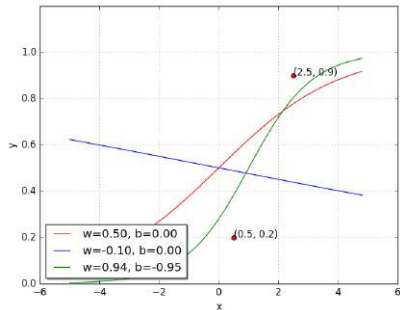


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Oops!! this made things even worse...

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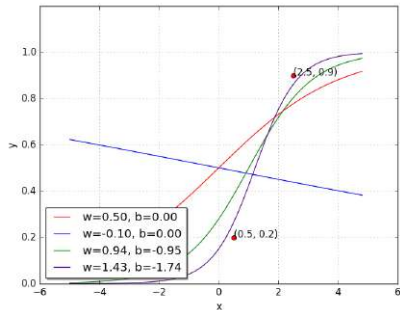
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Perhaps it would help to push  $w$  and  $b$  in the other direction...



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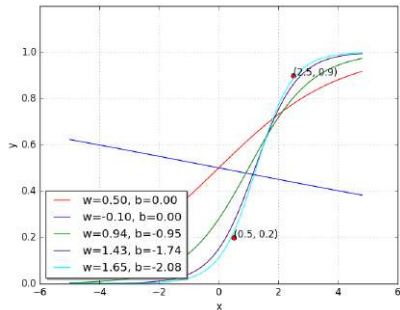


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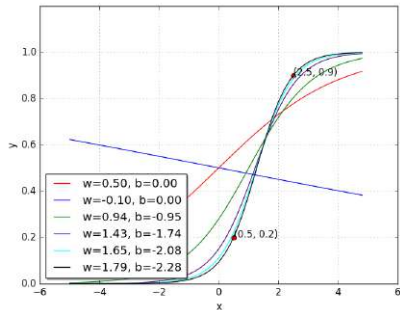


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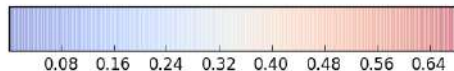
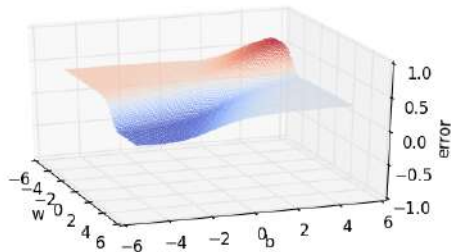
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With some guess work and intuition we were able to find the right values for  $w$  and  $b$

*Let us look at something better than our “guess work” algorithm....*

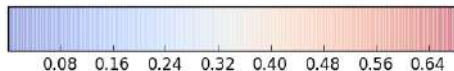
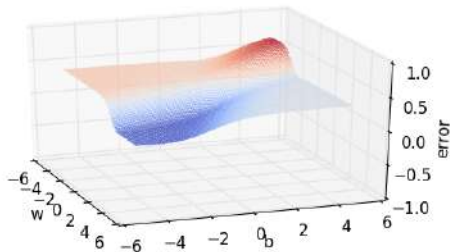
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Random search on error surface



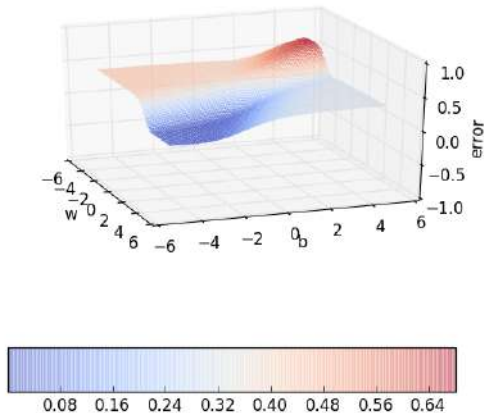
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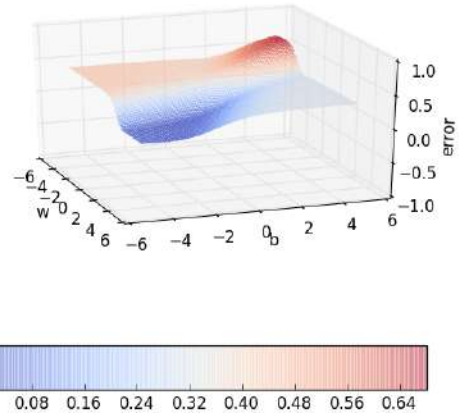
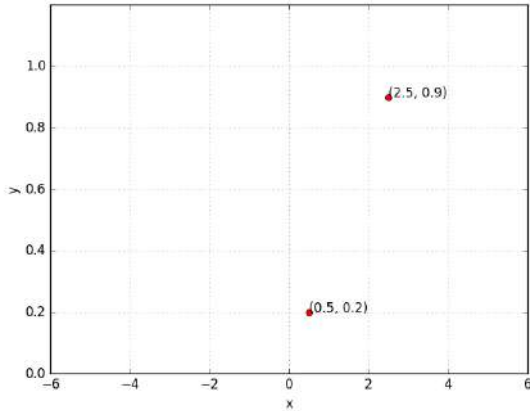


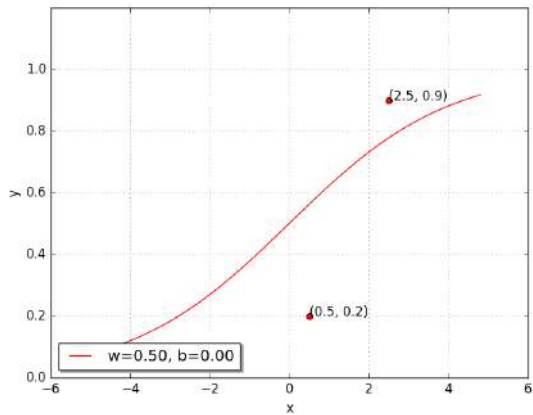
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- Further, even here we have plotted the error surface only for a small range of ( $w, b$ ) [from  $(-6, 6)$  and not from  $(-\infty, \infty)$ ]



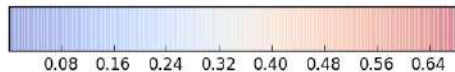
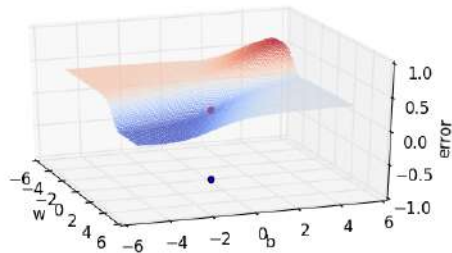
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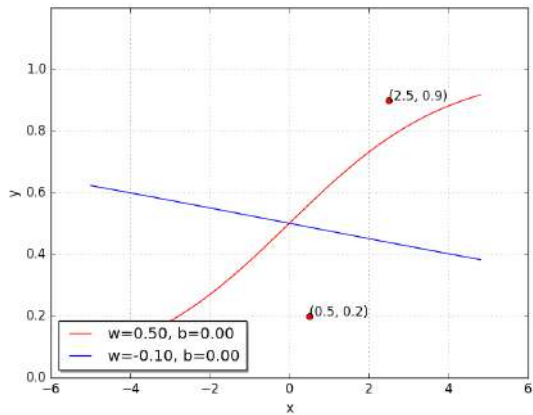
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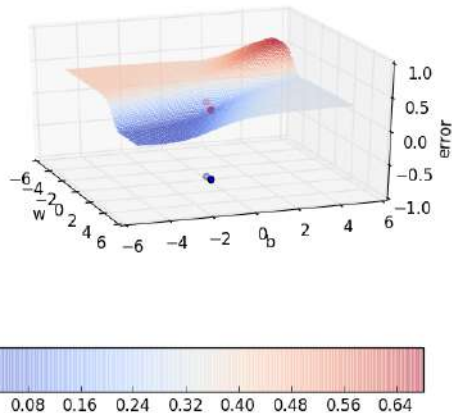


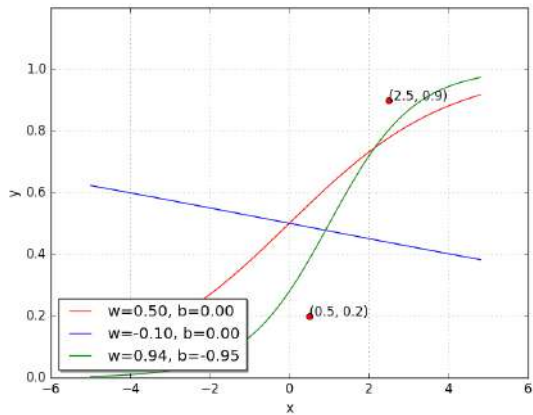
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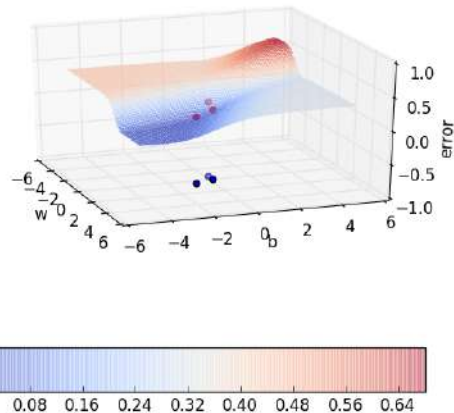


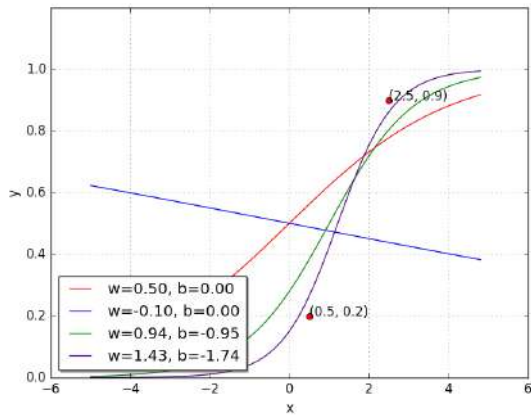
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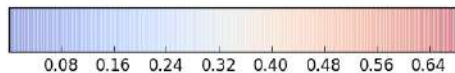
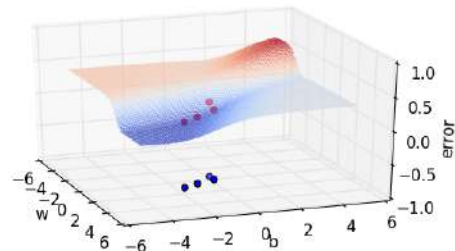


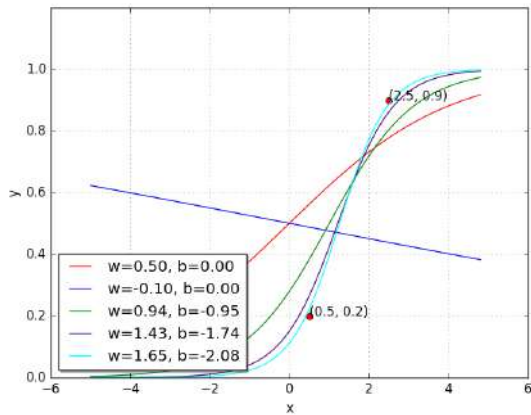
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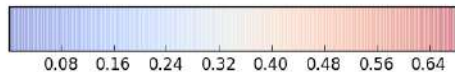
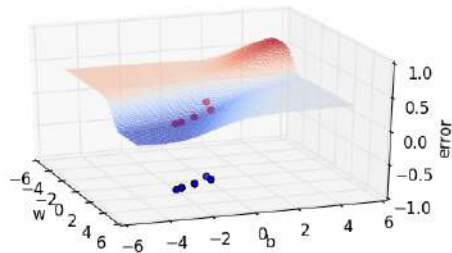


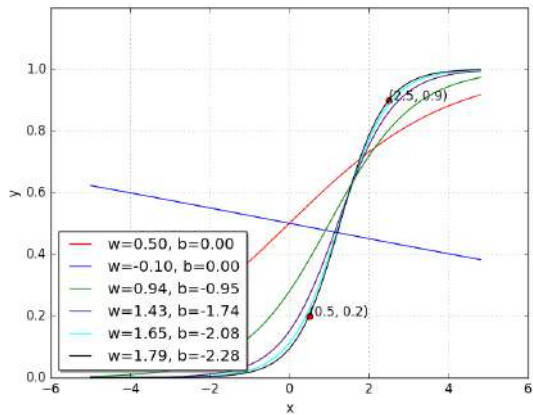
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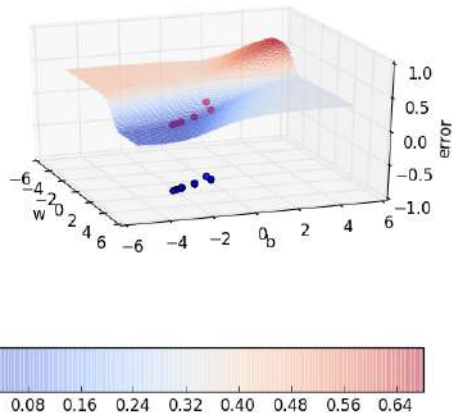


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## Module 3.4: Learning Parameters : Gradient Descent

*Now let us see if there is a more efficient and principled way of doing this*


## Goal


Find a better way of traversing the error surface so that we can reach the minimum value quickly without resorting to brute force search!

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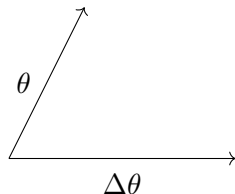
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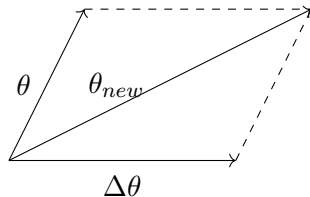


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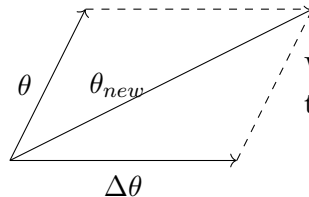


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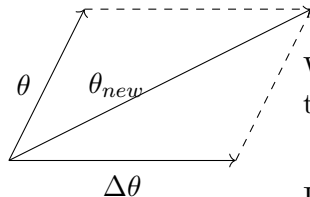


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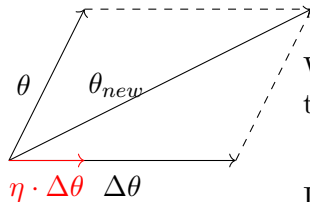
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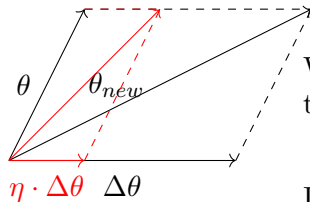
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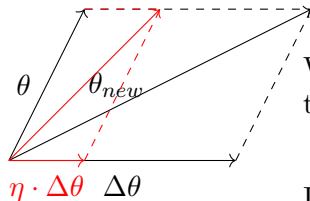
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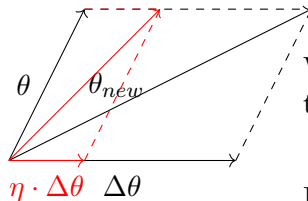
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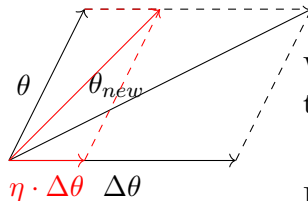
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So we now have a more principled way of moving in the  $w$ - $b$  plane than our “guess work” algorithm

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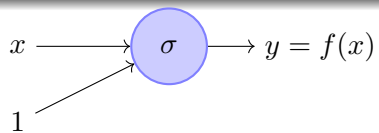
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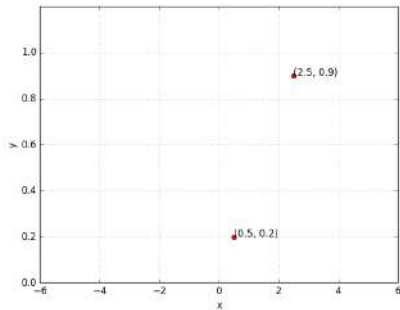
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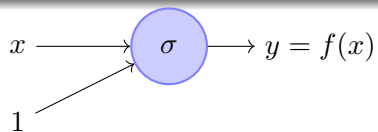
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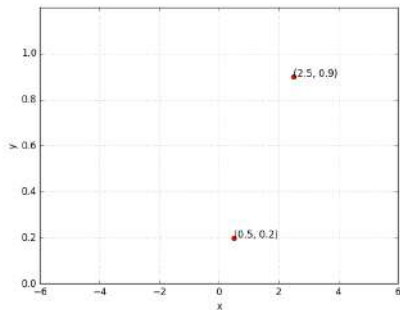


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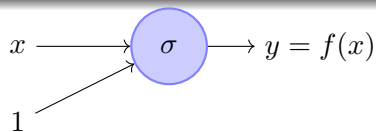




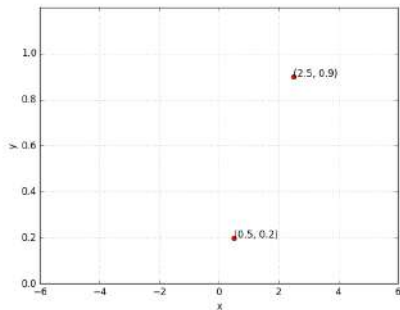
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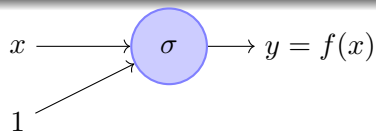


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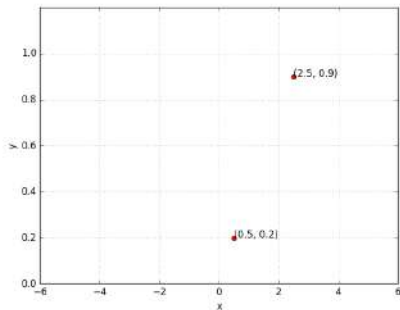


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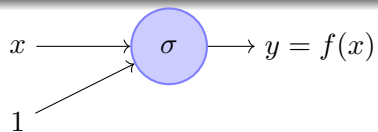
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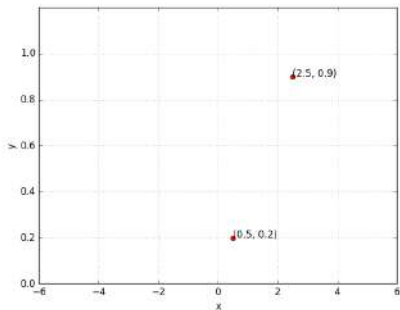
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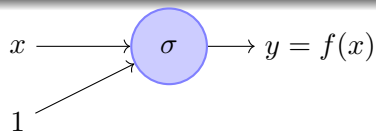


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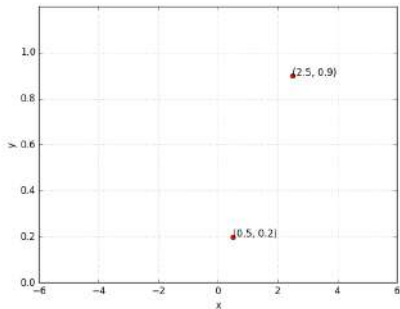
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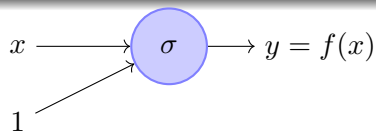


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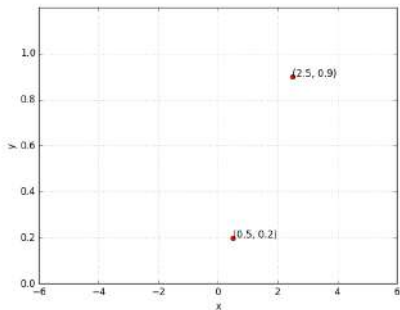


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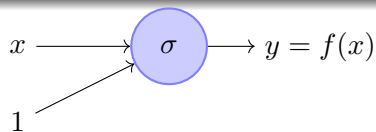
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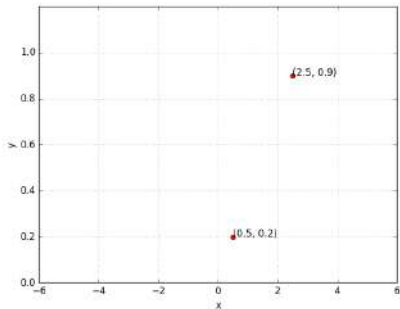
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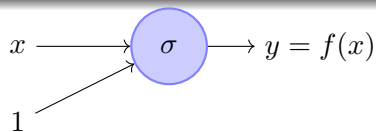


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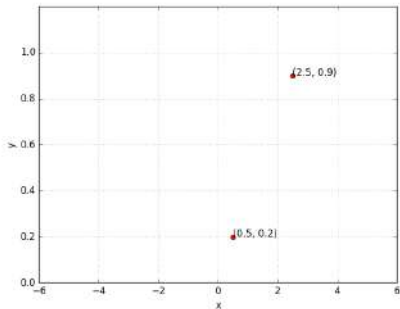
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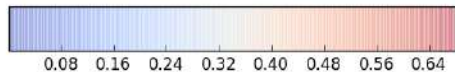
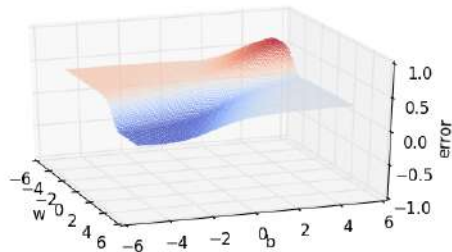
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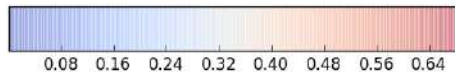
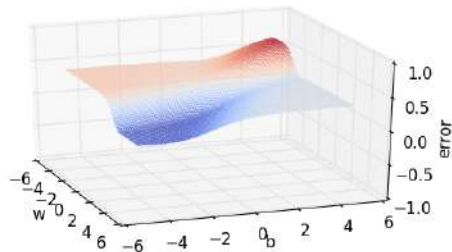
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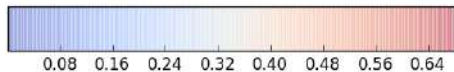
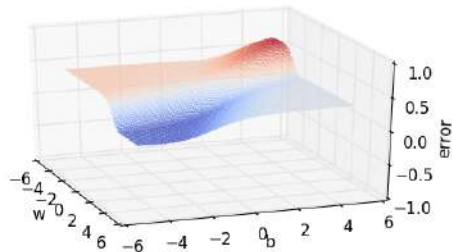
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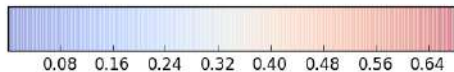
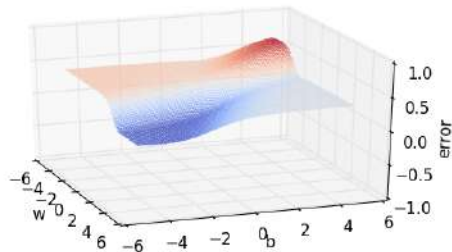
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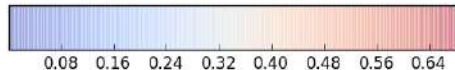
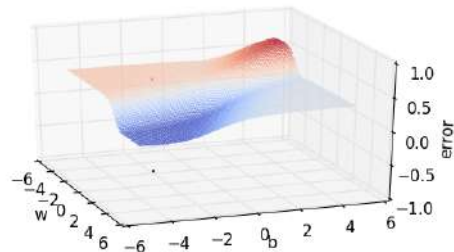
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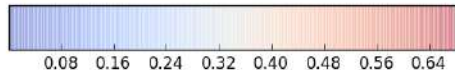
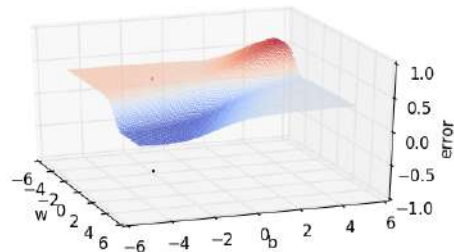
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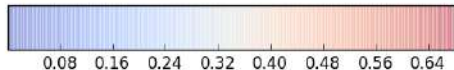
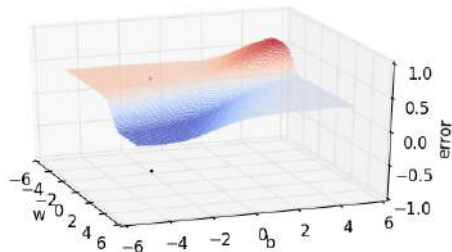
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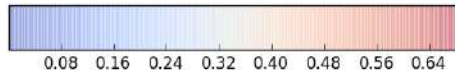
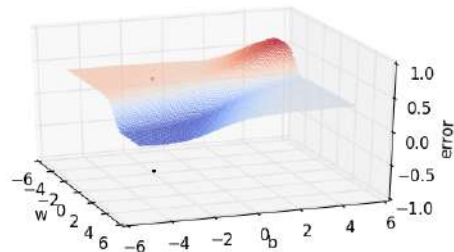
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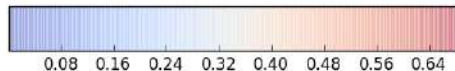
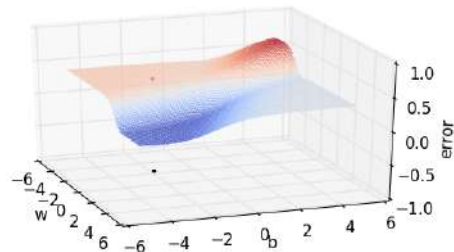
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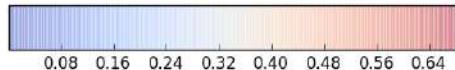
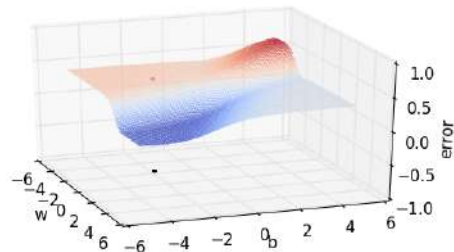
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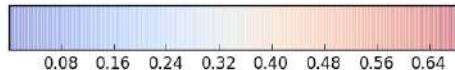
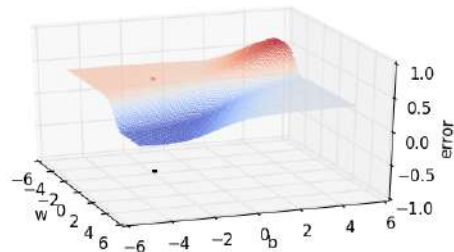
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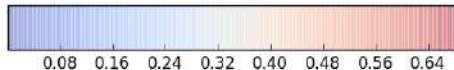
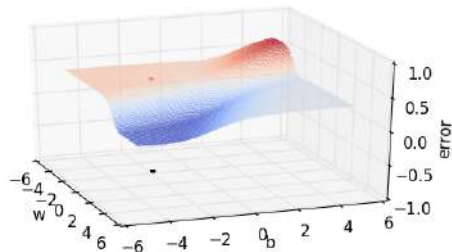
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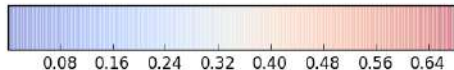
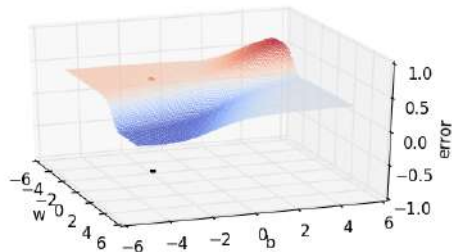
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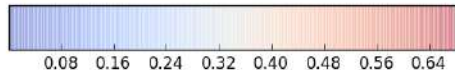
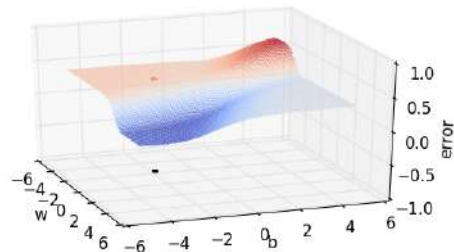
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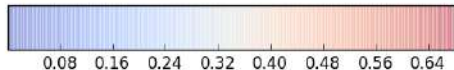
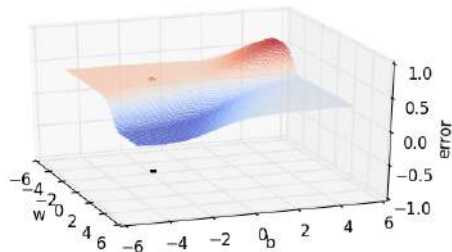
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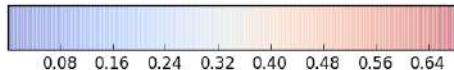
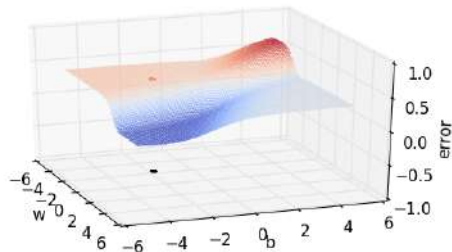
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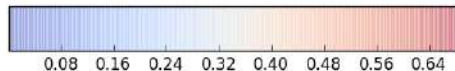
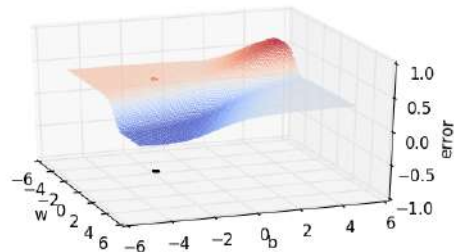
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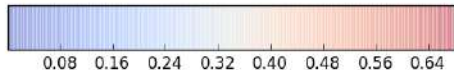
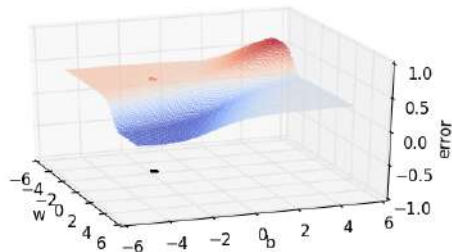
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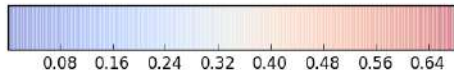
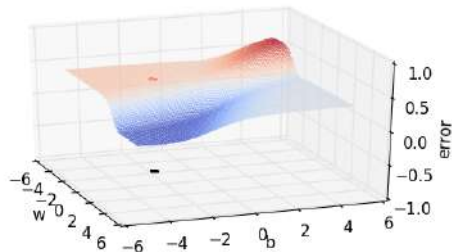
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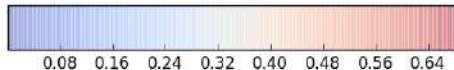
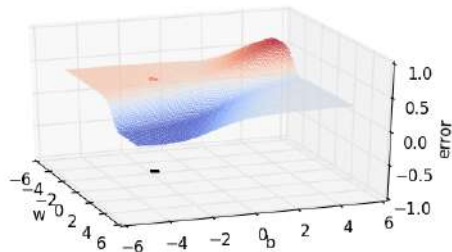
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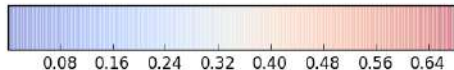
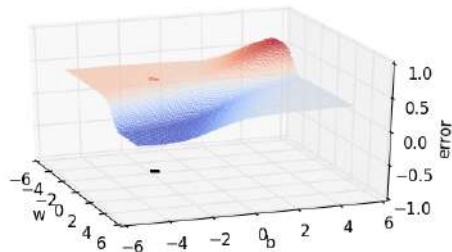
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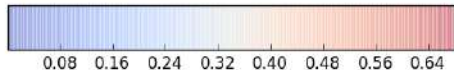
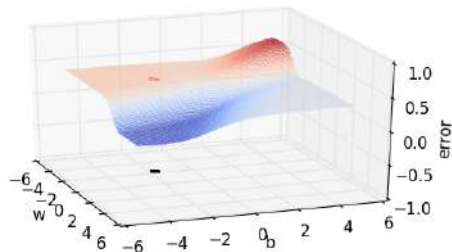
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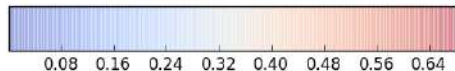
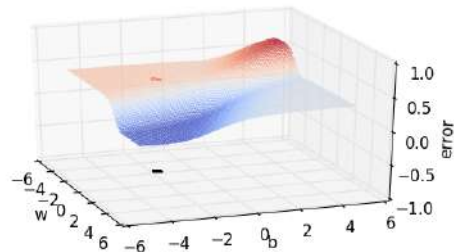
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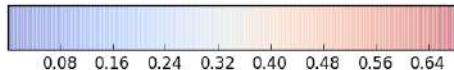
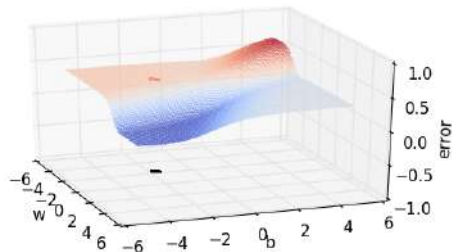
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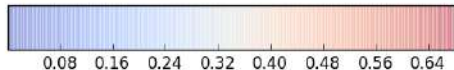
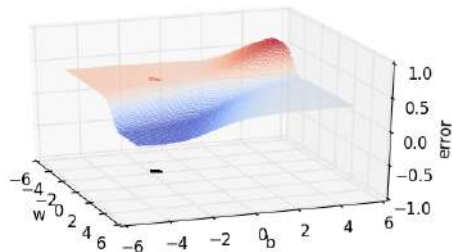
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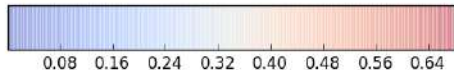
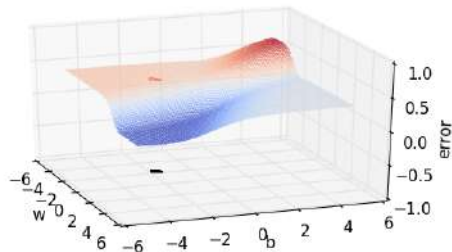
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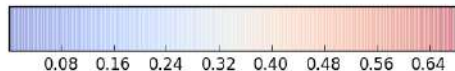
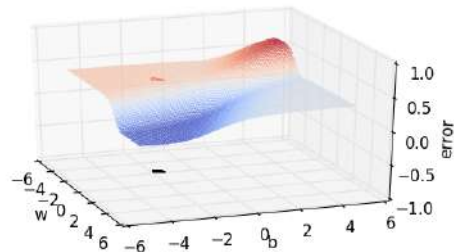
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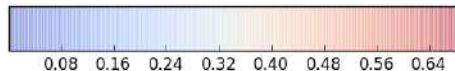
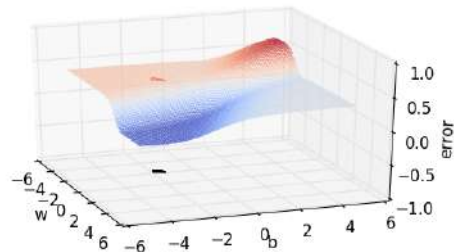
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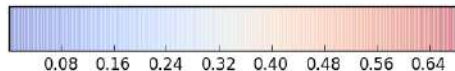
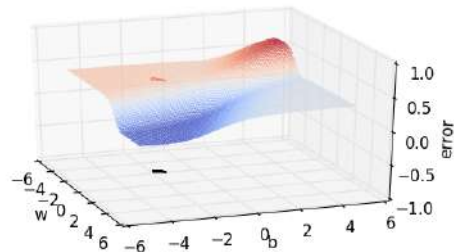
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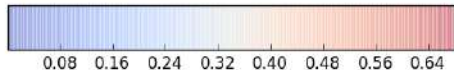
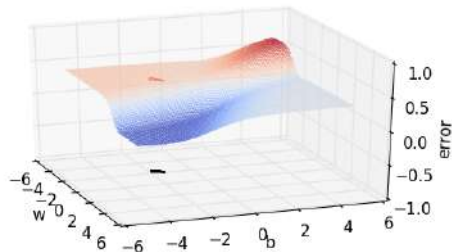
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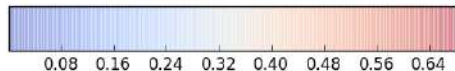
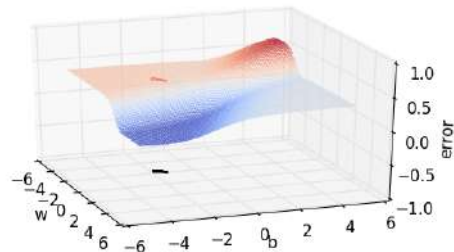
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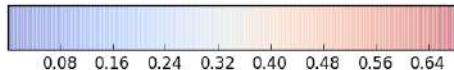
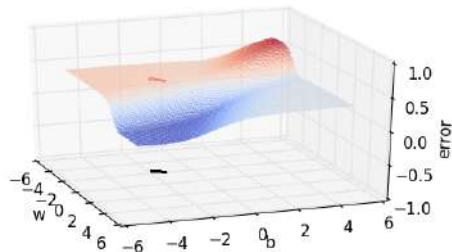
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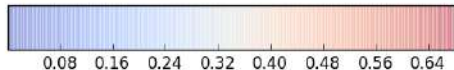
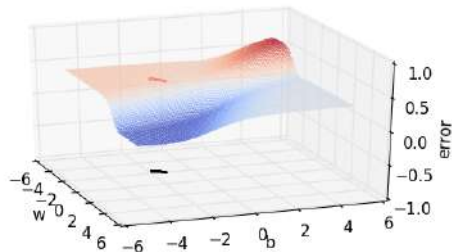
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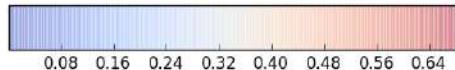
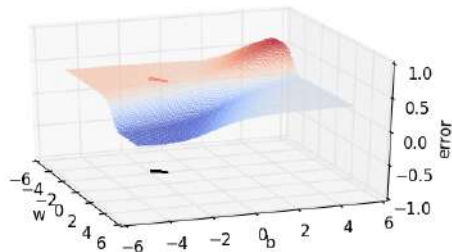
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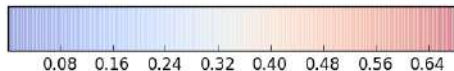
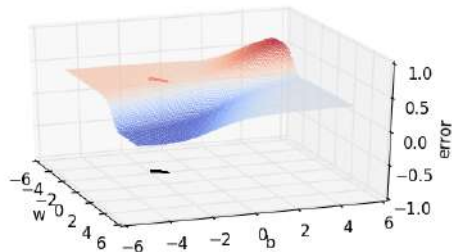
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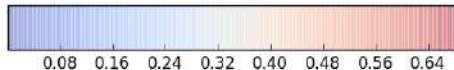
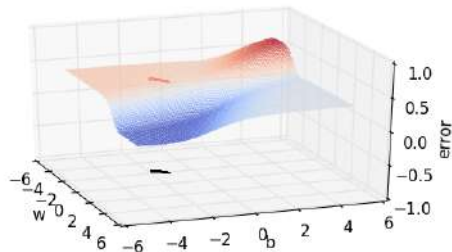
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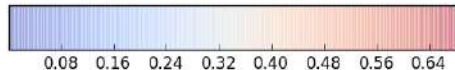
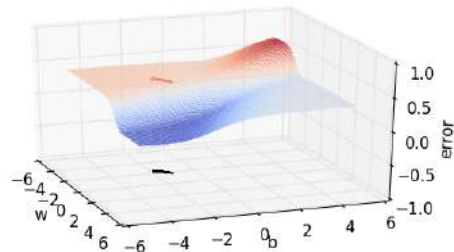
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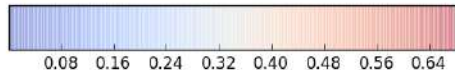
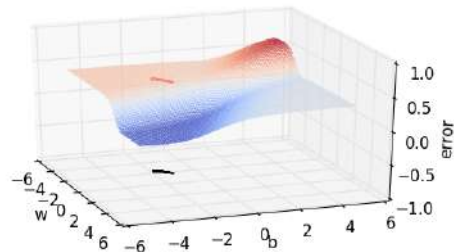
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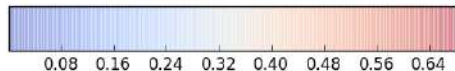
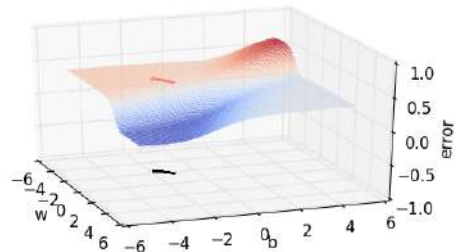
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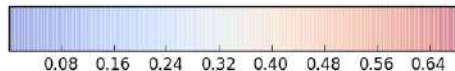
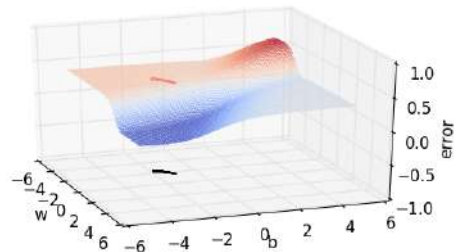
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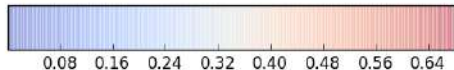
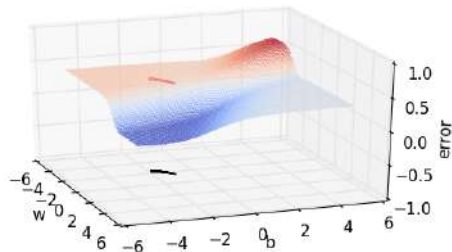
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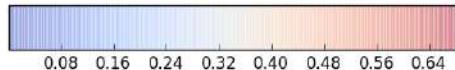
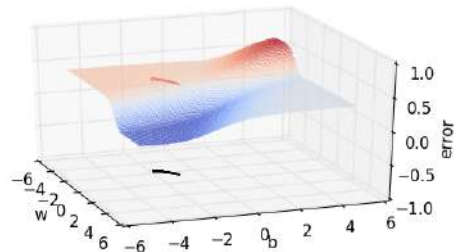
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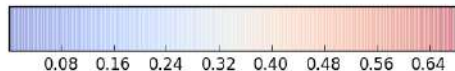
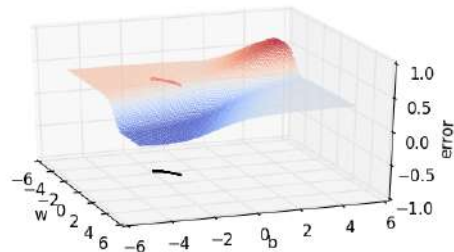
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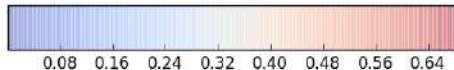
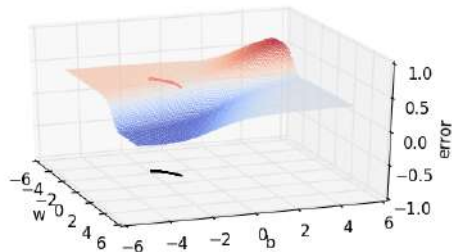
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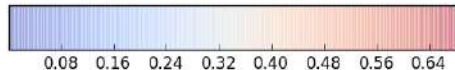
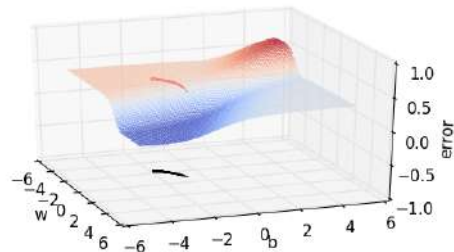
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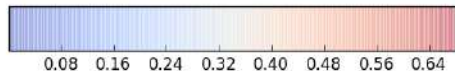
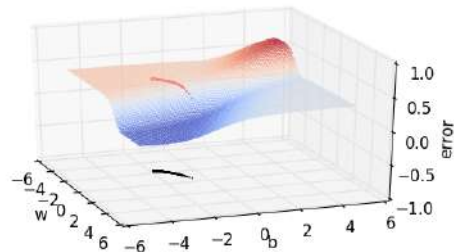
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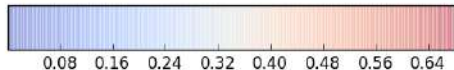
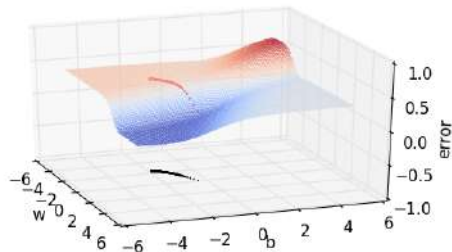
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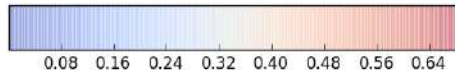
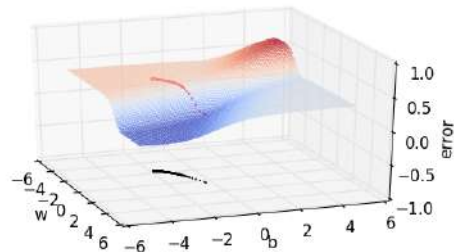
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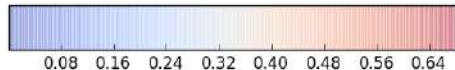
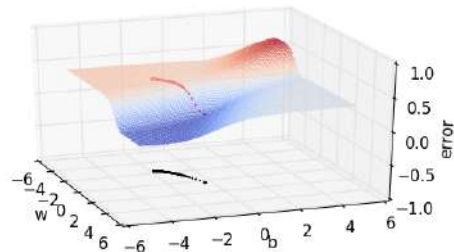
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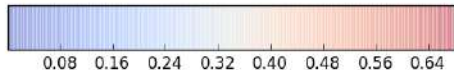
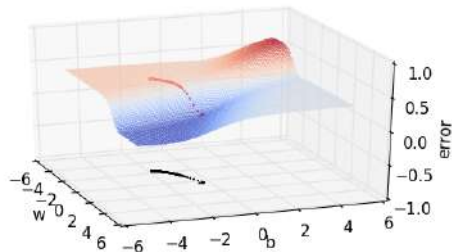
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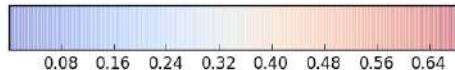
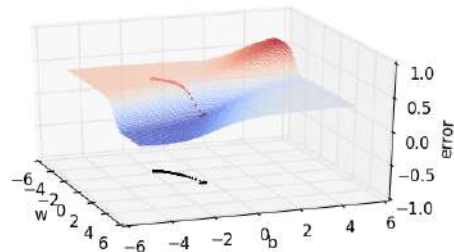
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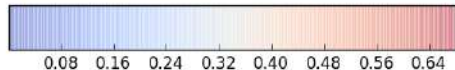
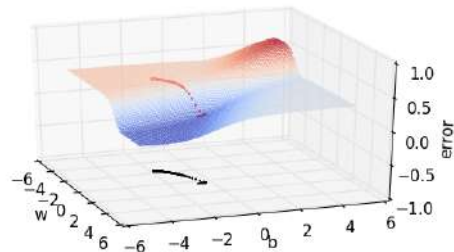
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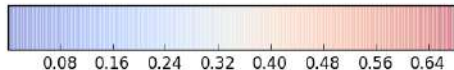
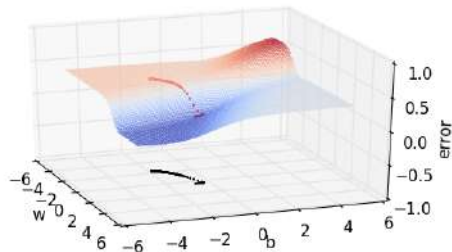
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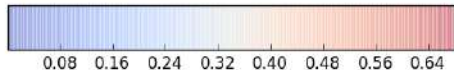
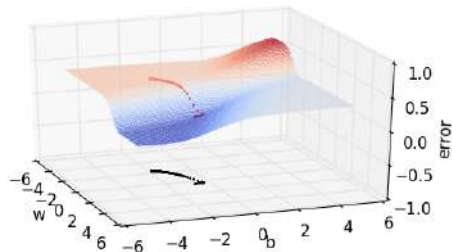
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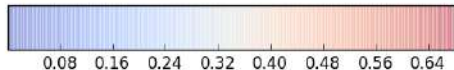
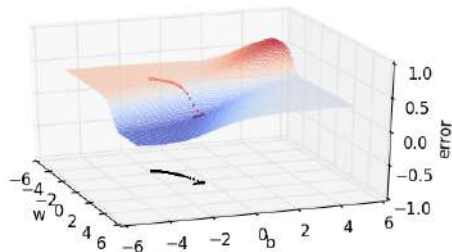
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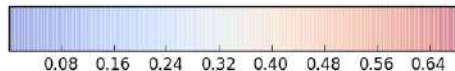
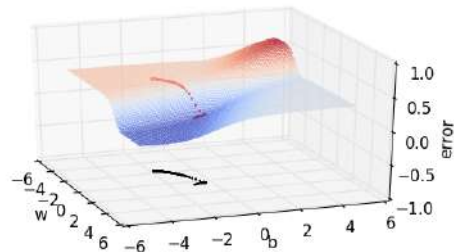
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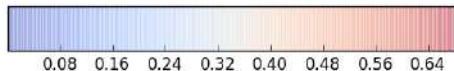
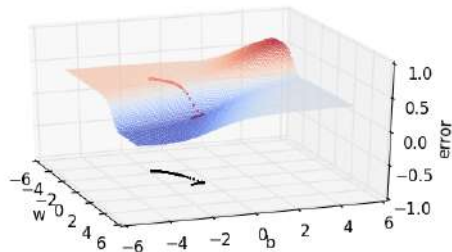
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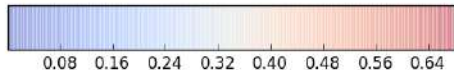
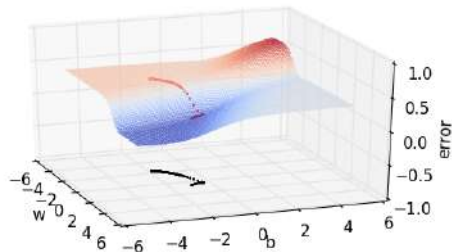
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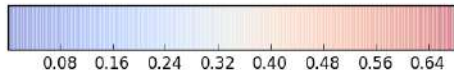
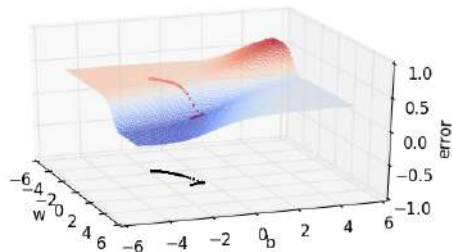
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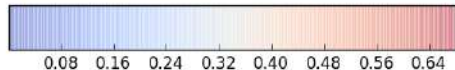
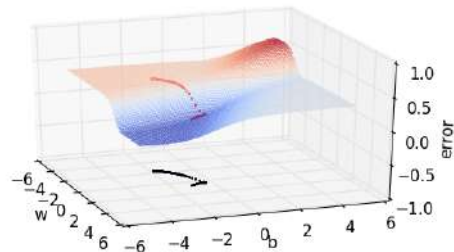
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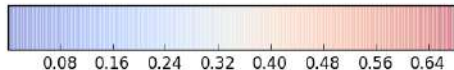
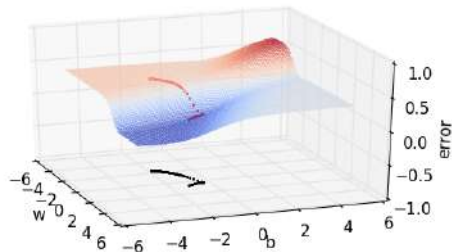
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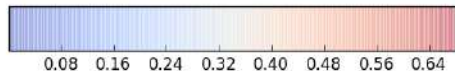
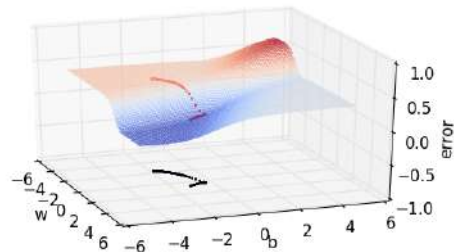
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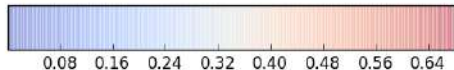
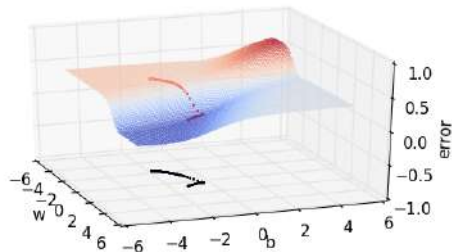
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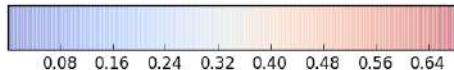
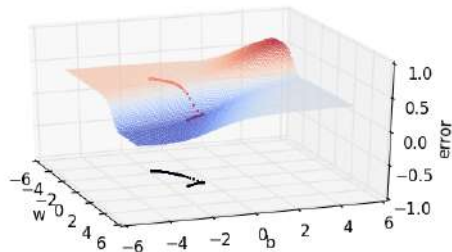
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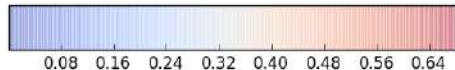
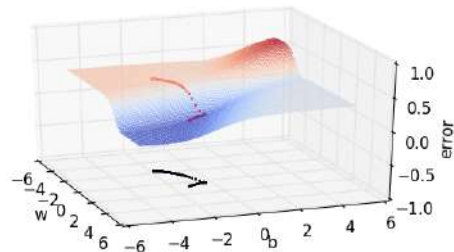
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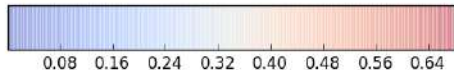
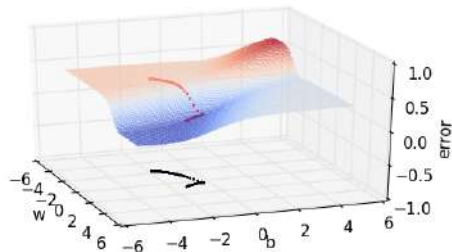
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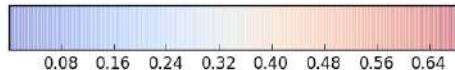
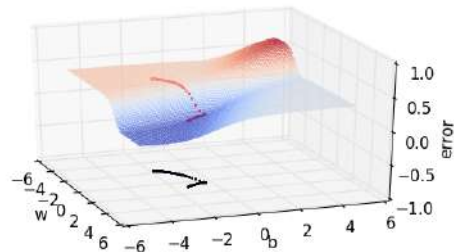
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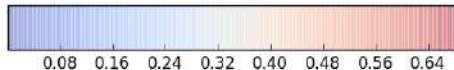
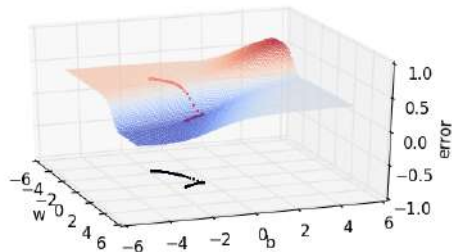
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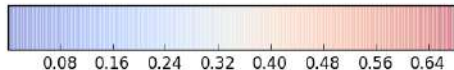
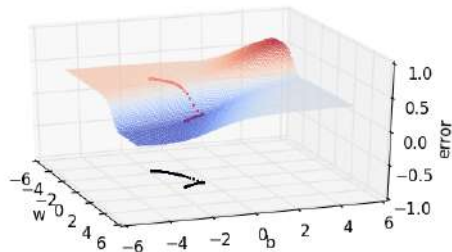
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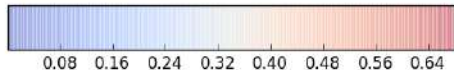
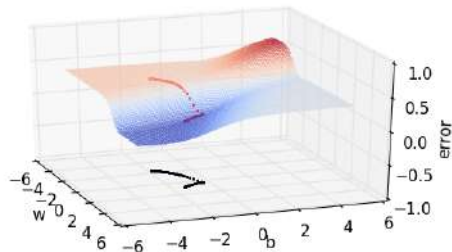
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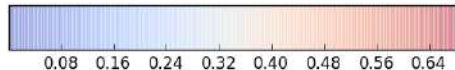
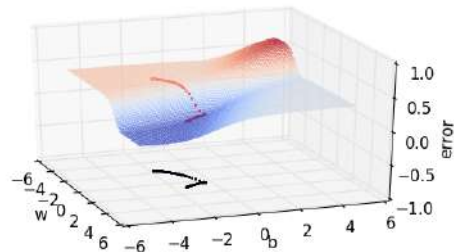
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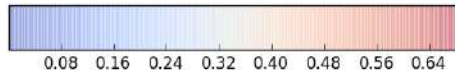
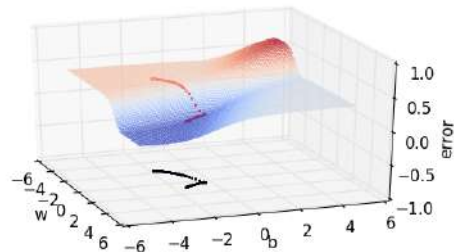
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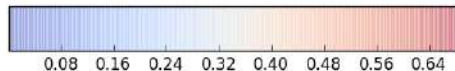
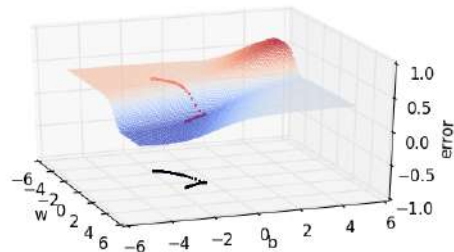
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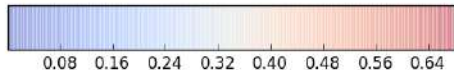
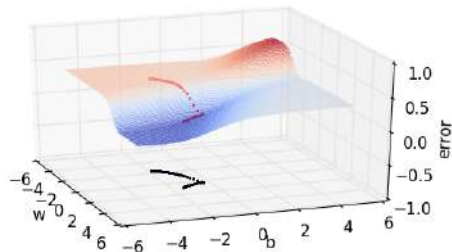
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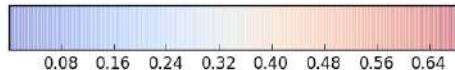
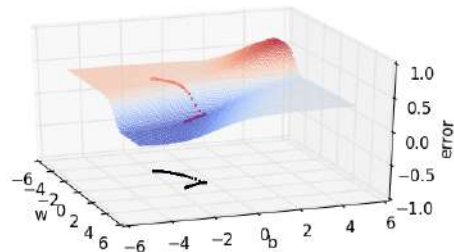
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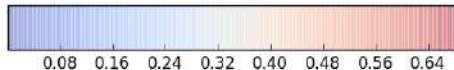
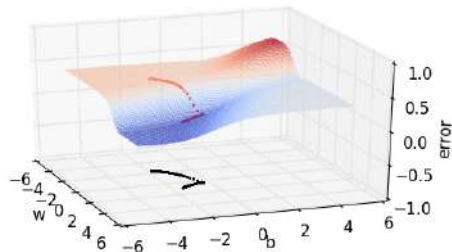
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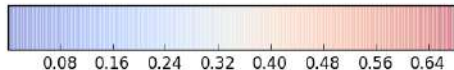
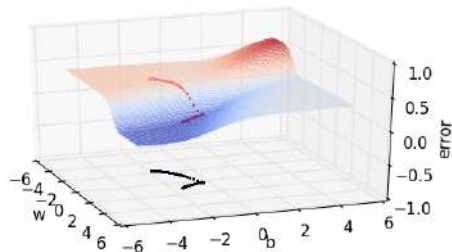
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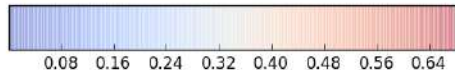
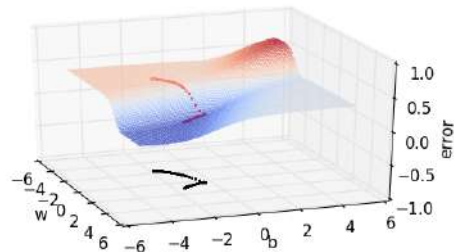
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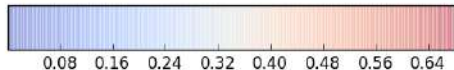
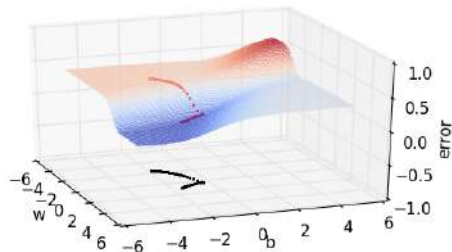
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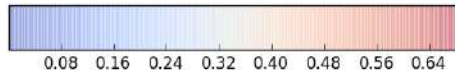
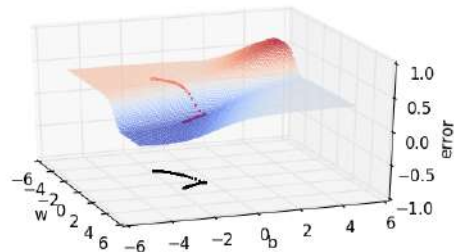
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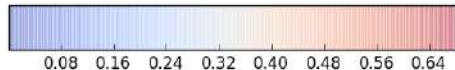
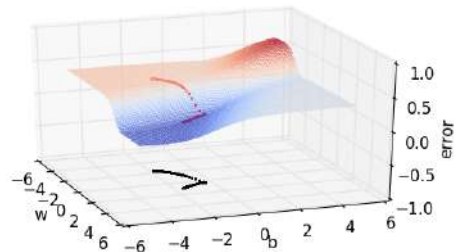
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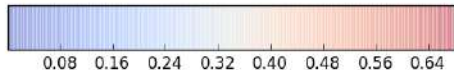
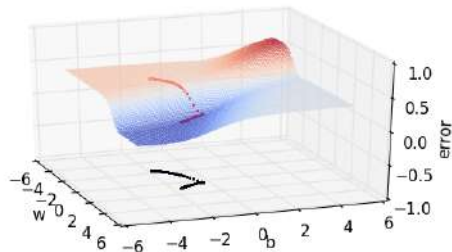
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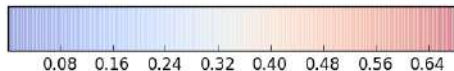
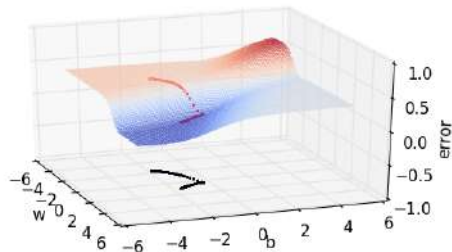
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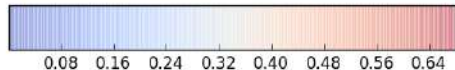
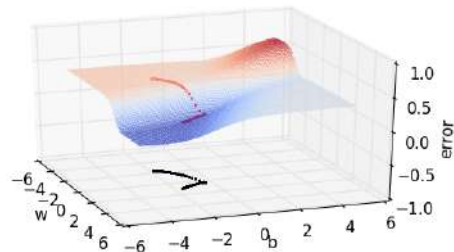
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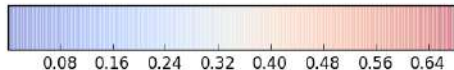
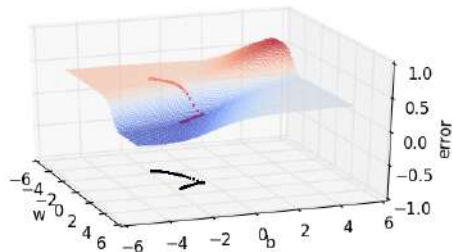
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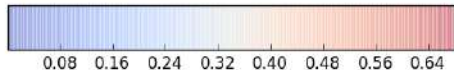
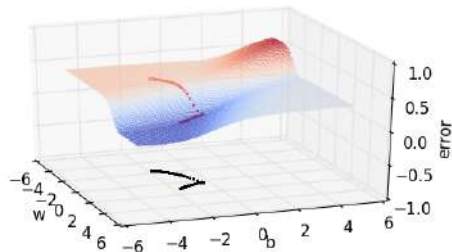
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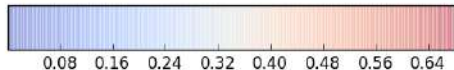
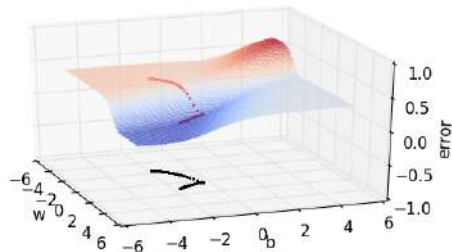
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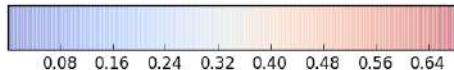
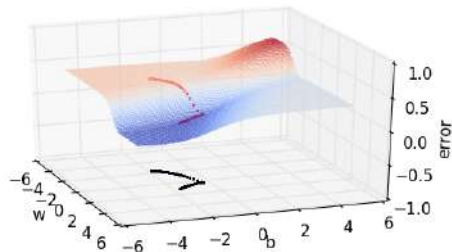
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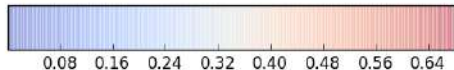
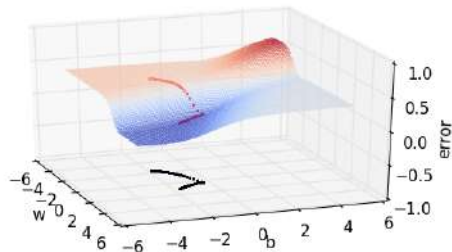
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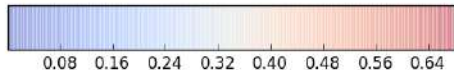
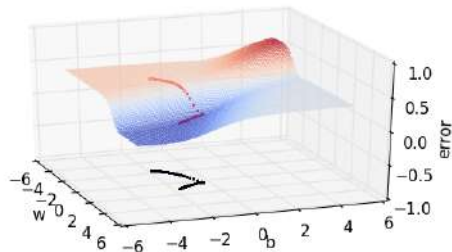
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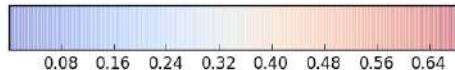
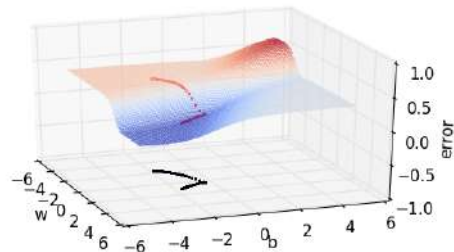
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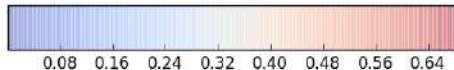
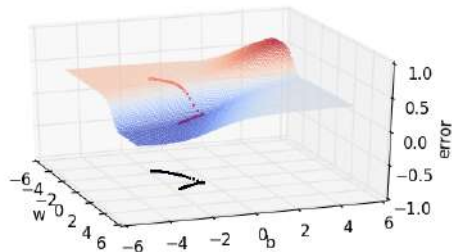
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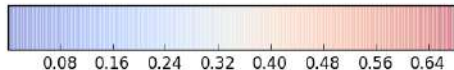
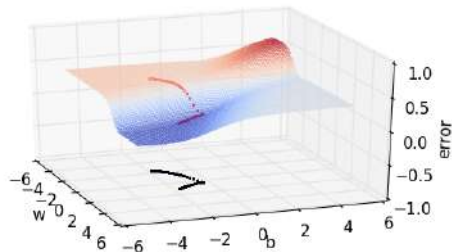
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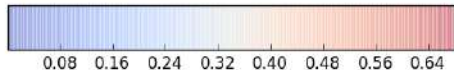
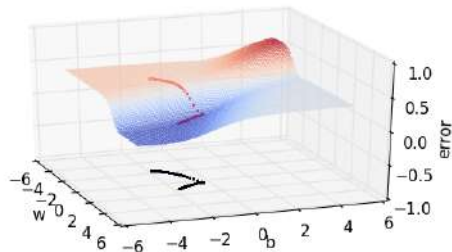
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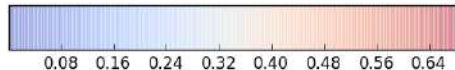
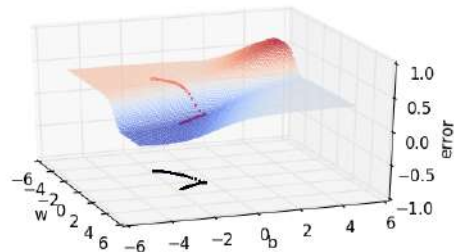
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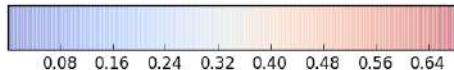
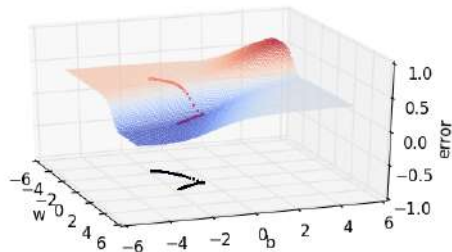
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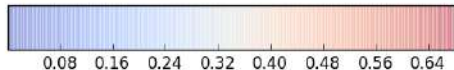
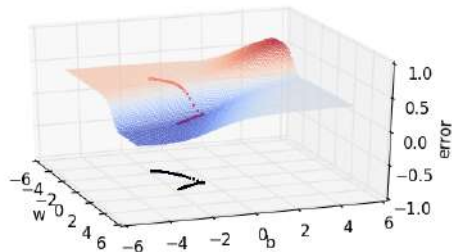
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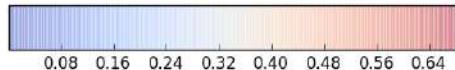
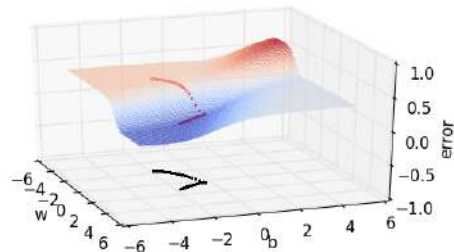
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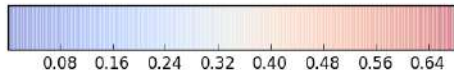
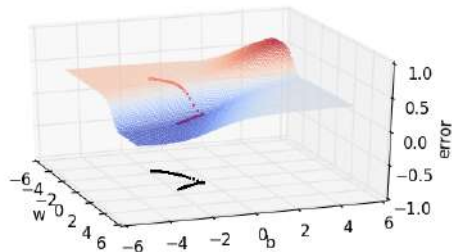
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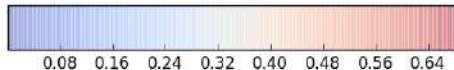
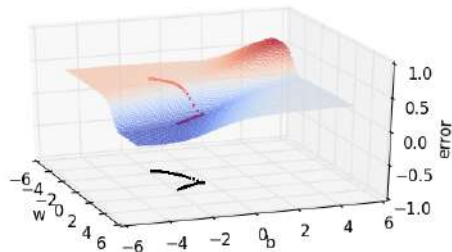
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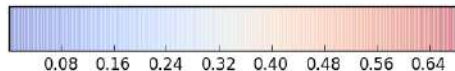
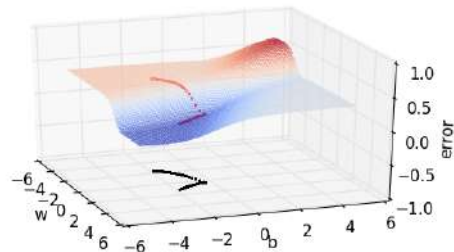
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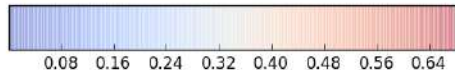
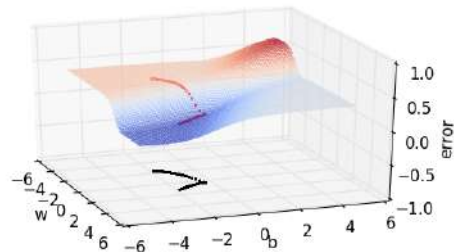
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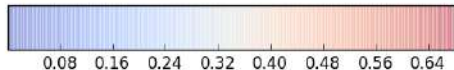
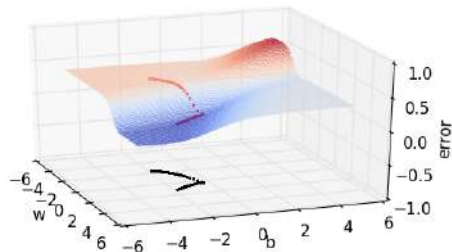
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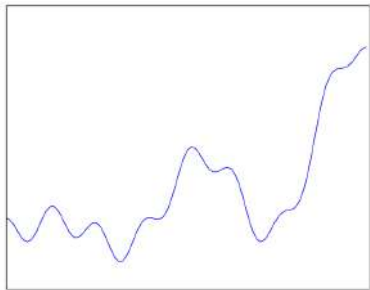
**Proof:** We will see an illustrative proof of this... [Cybenko, 1989], [Hornik, 1991]

- See this link<sup>\*</sup> for an excellent illustration of this proof
- The discussion in the next few slides is based on the ideas presented at the above link

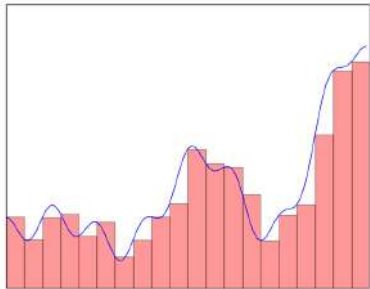
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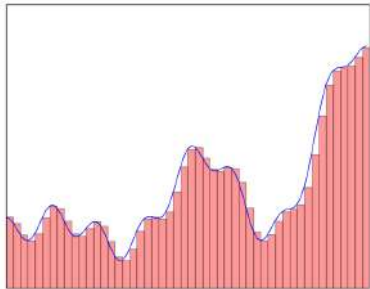




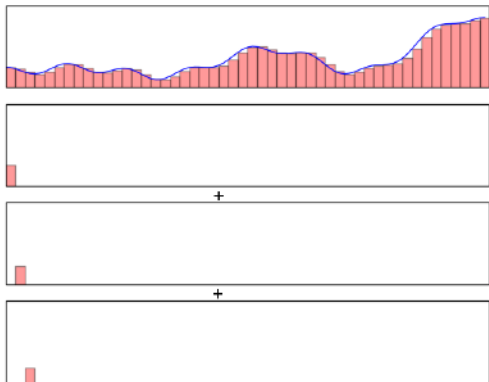
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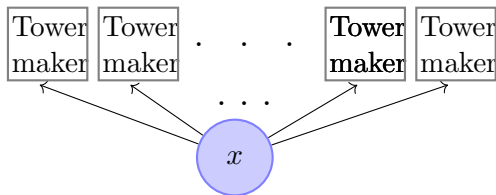
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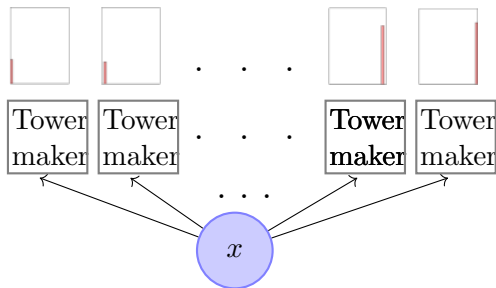


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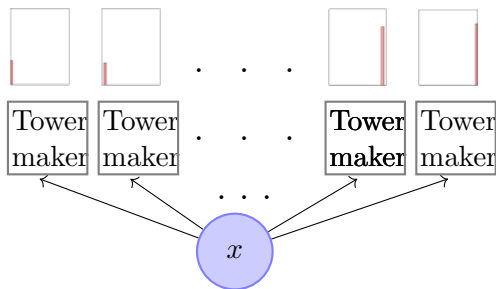




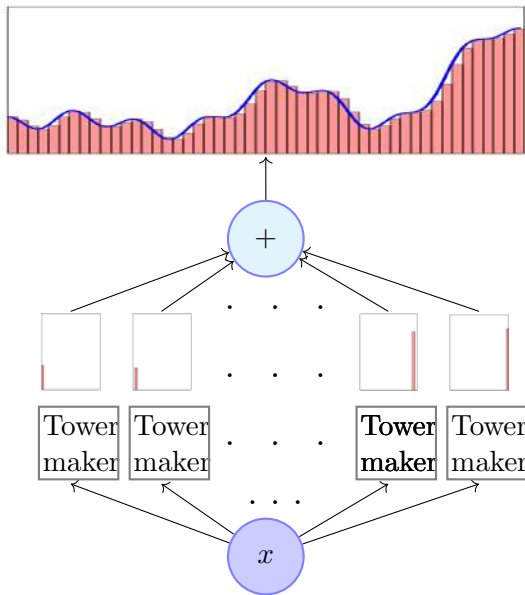
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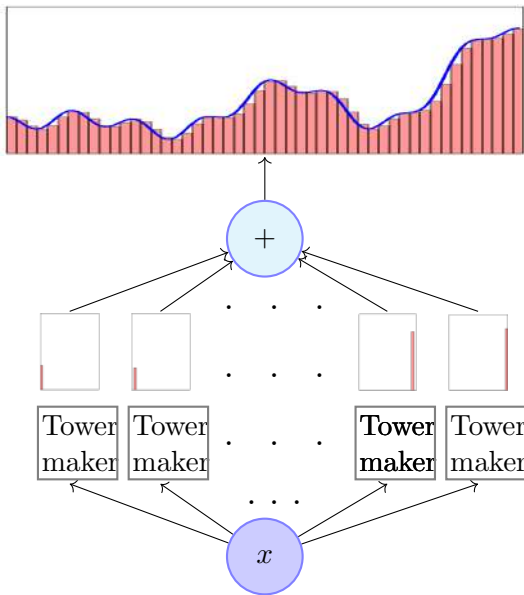




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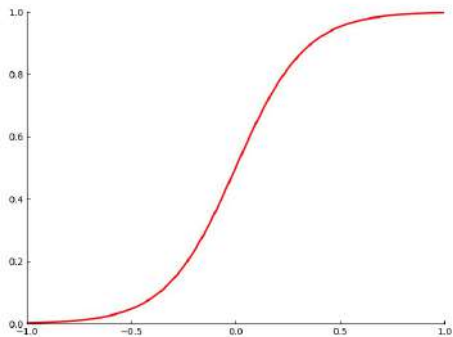


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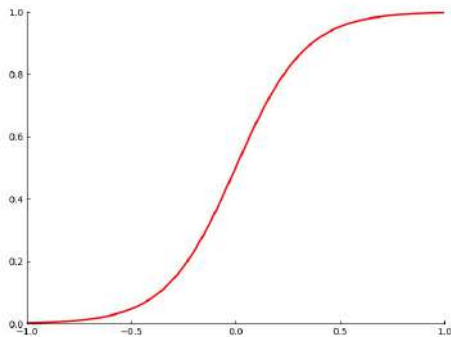


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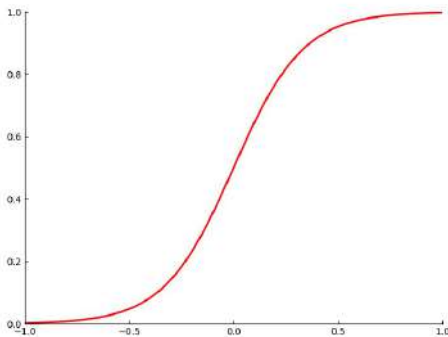
We will figure this out over the next few slides ...



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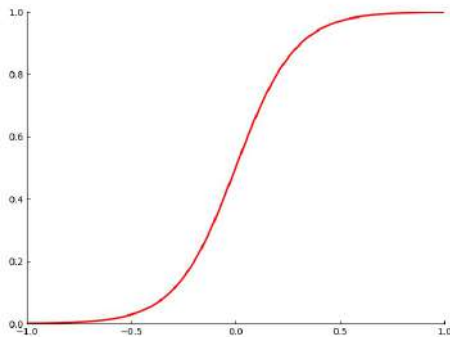


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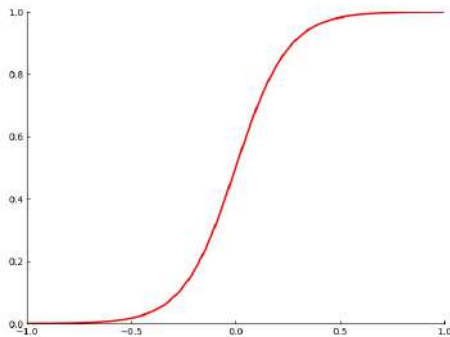
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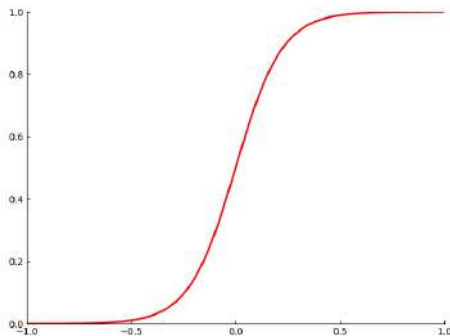
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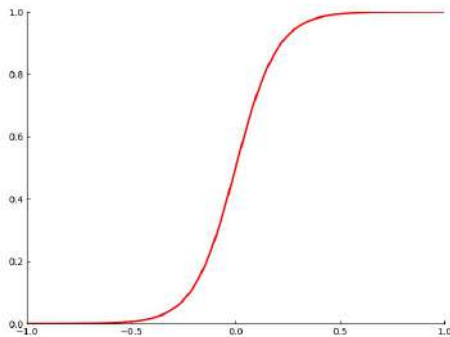
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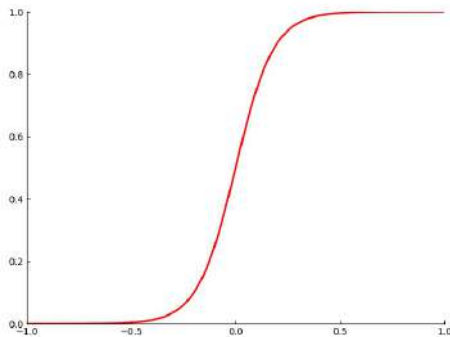
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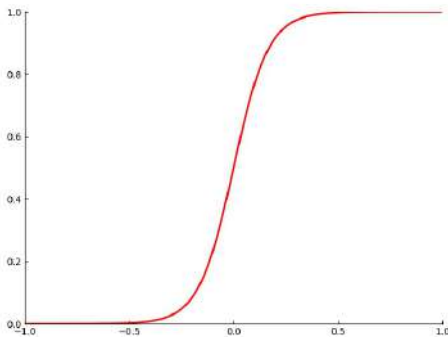
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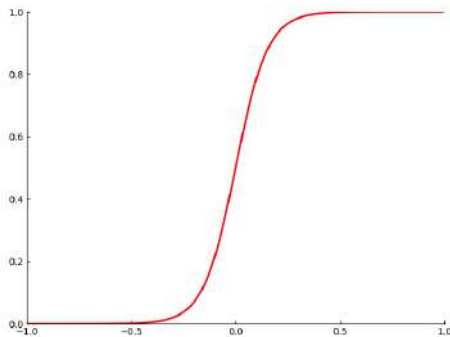
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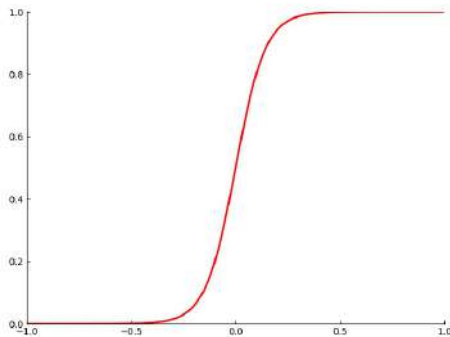
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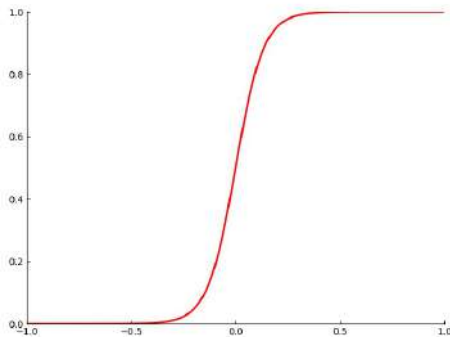
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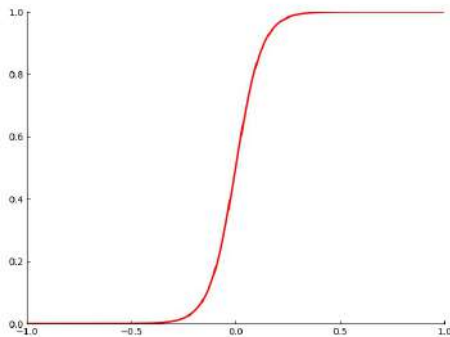
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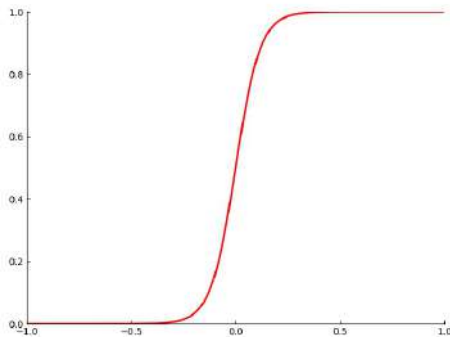
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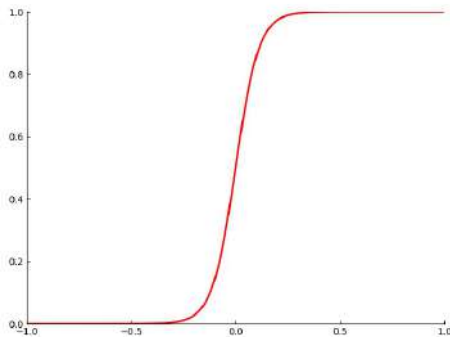
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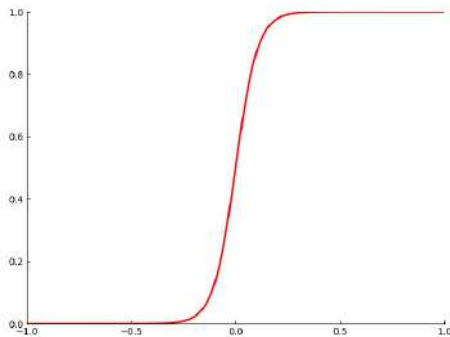
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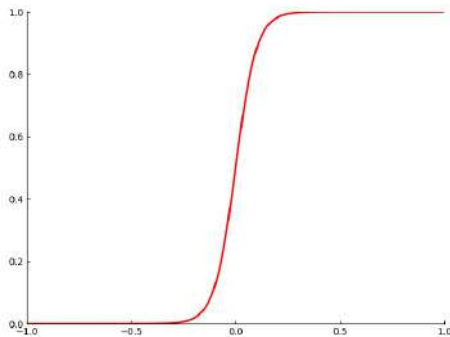
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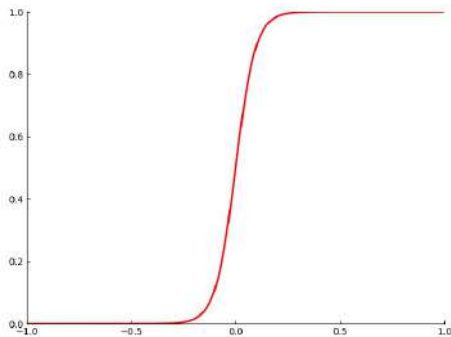
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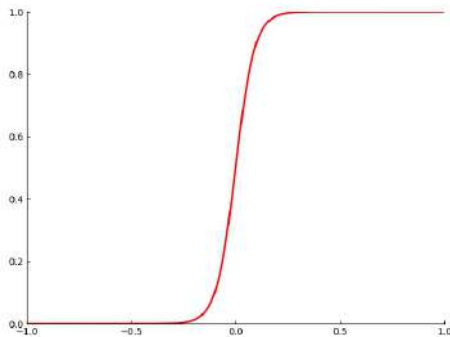
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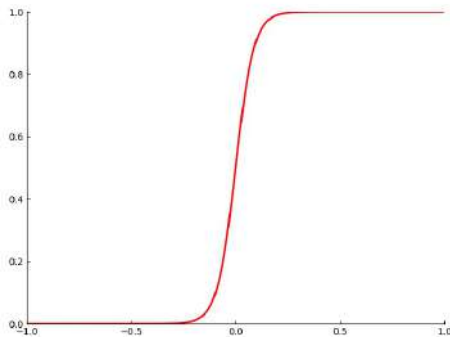
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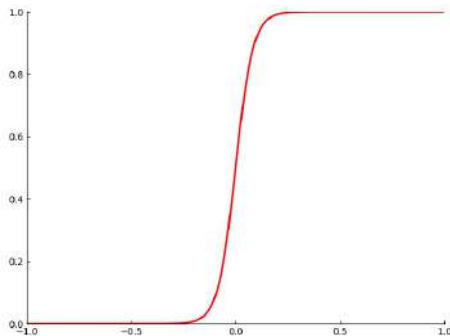
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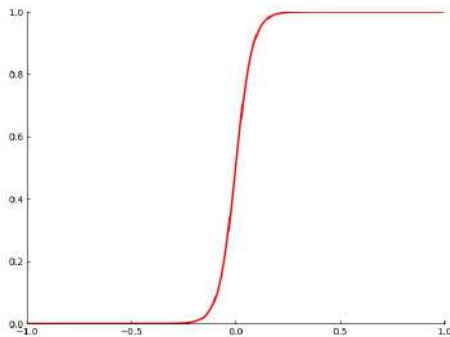
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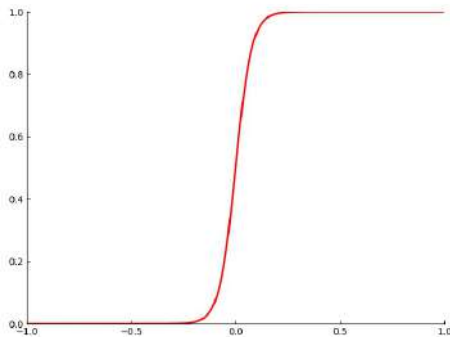
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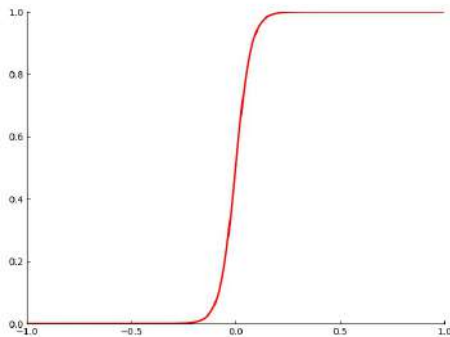
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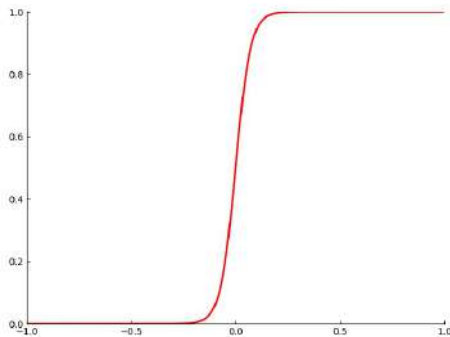
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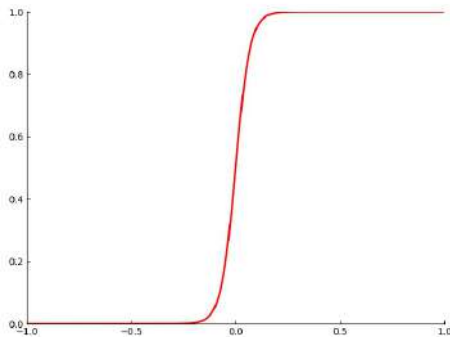
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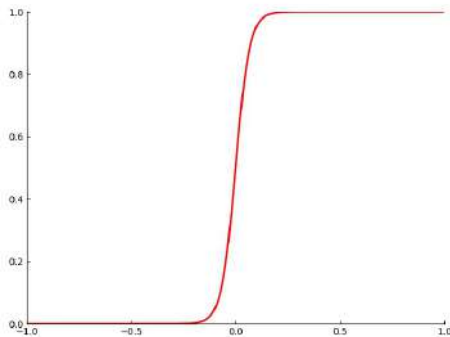
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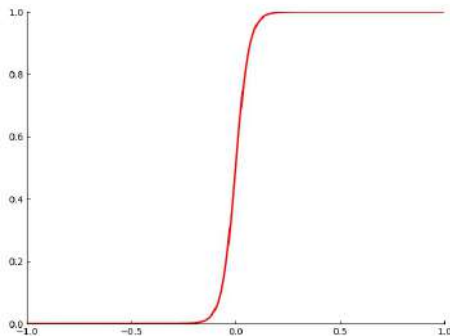
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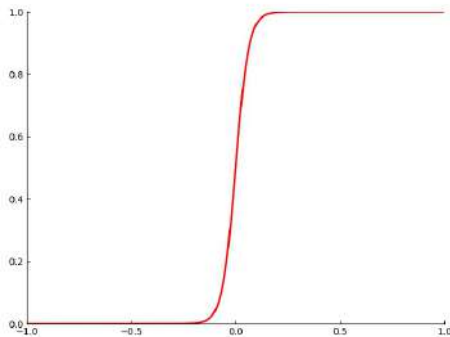
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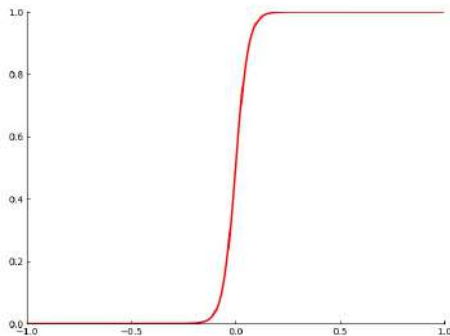
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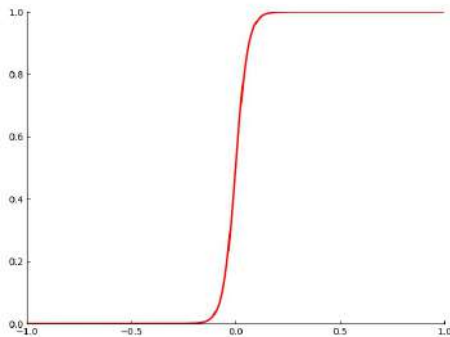
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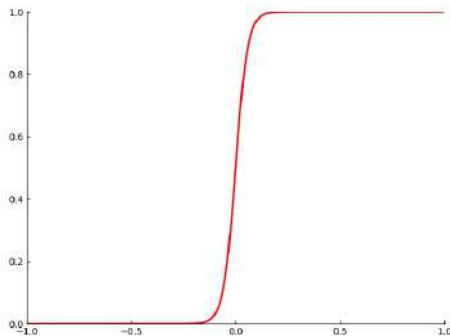
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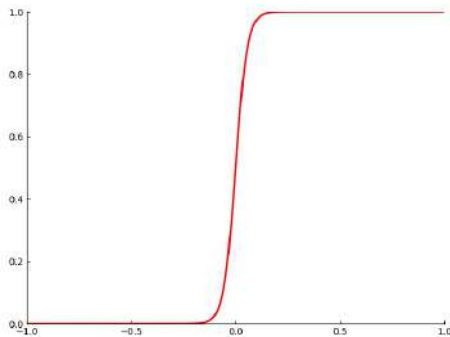
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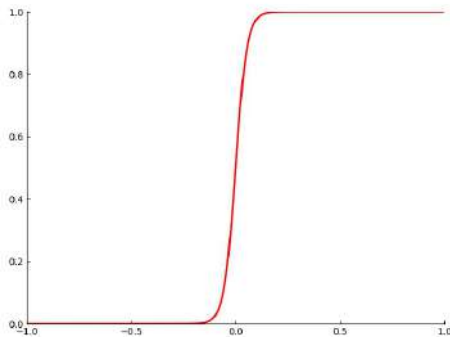
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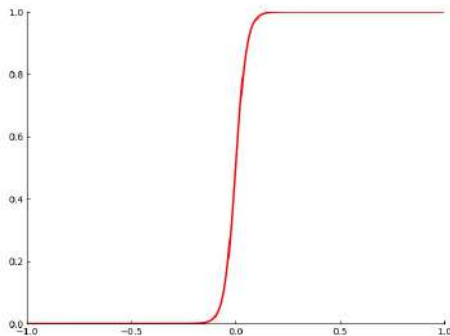
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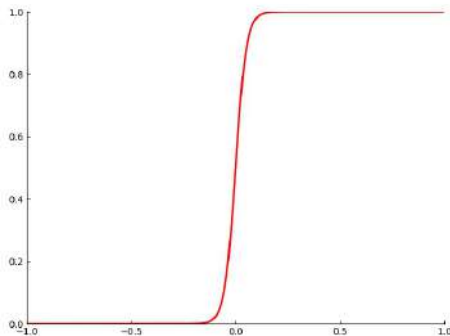
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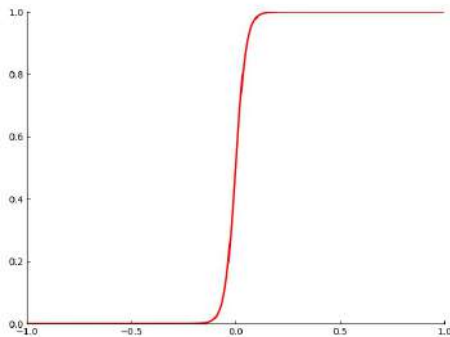
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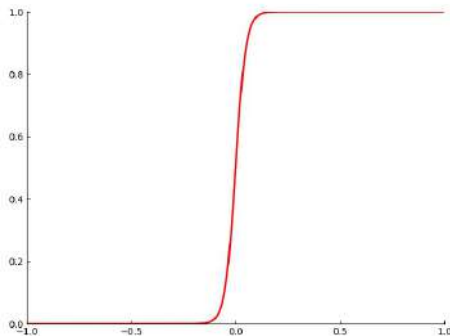
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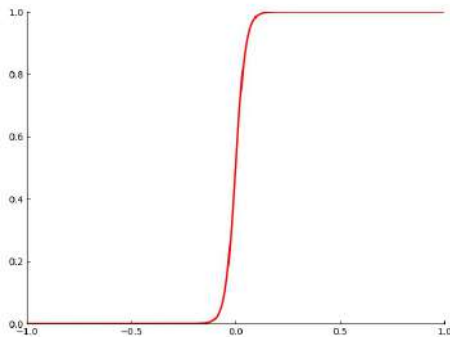
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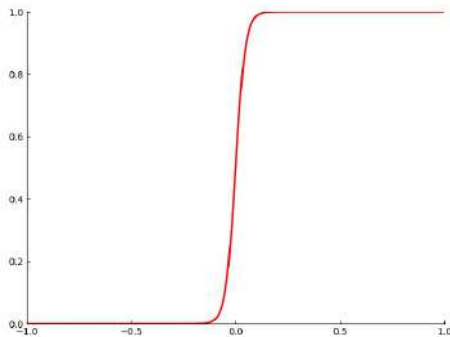
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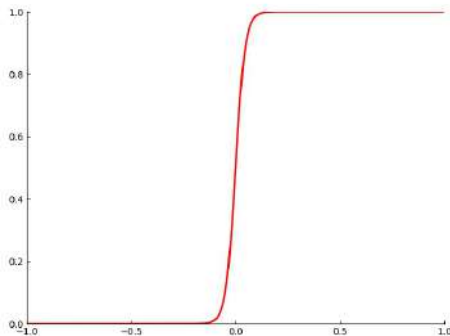
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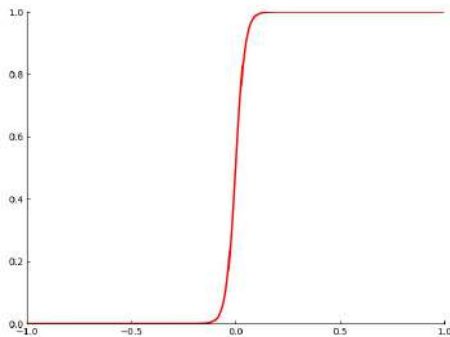
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 37, b = 0$$



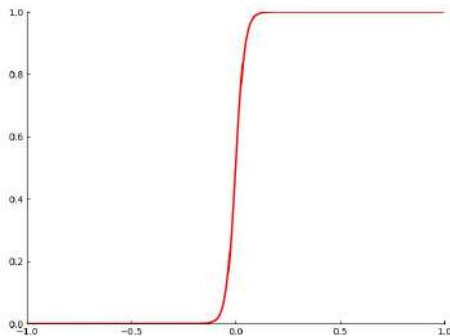
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 38, b = 0$$



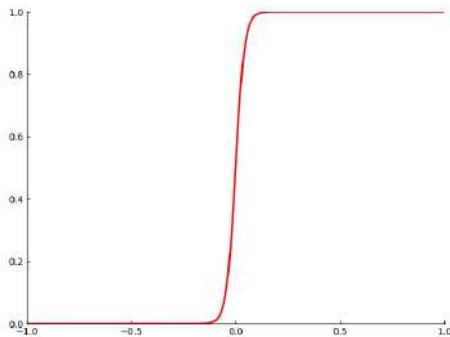
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 39, b = 0$$



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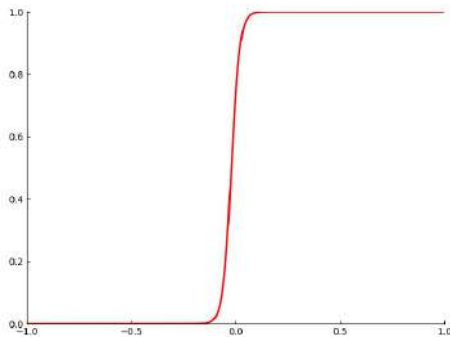
$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 40, b = 0$$



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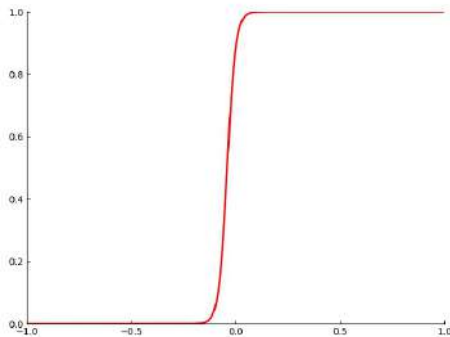
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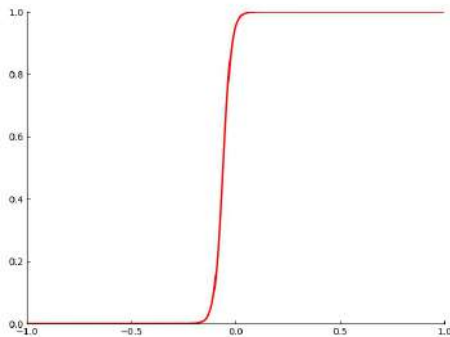
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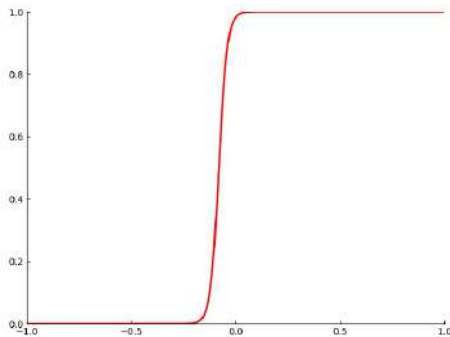
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 2$$



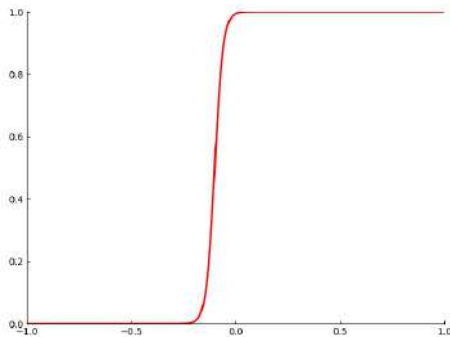
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 3$$



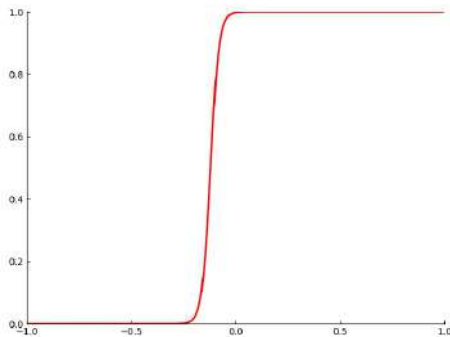
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 4$$



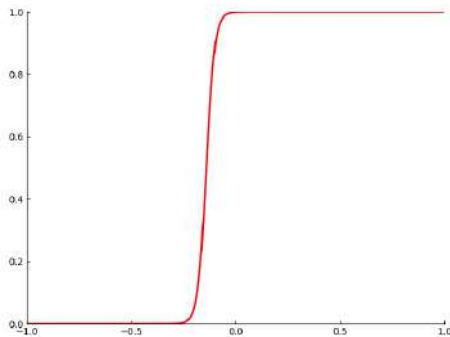
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 5$$



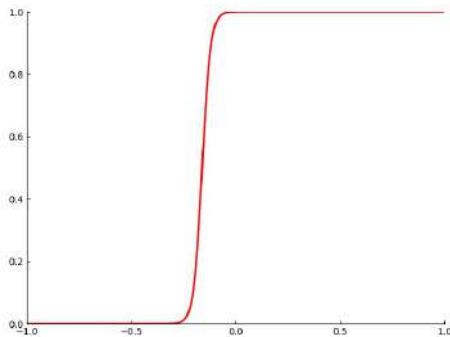
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 6$$



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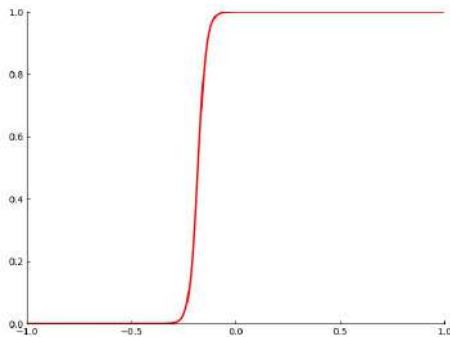
$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 7$$



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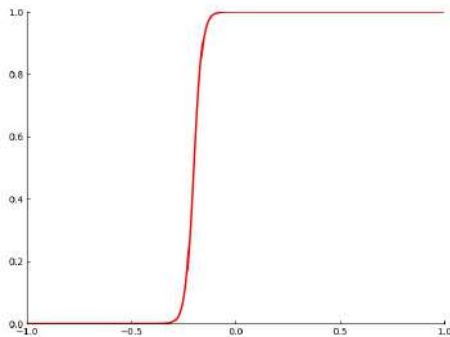
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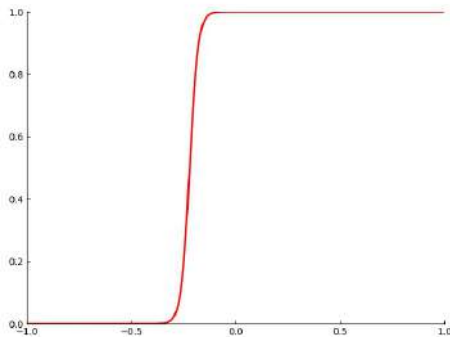
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 9$$



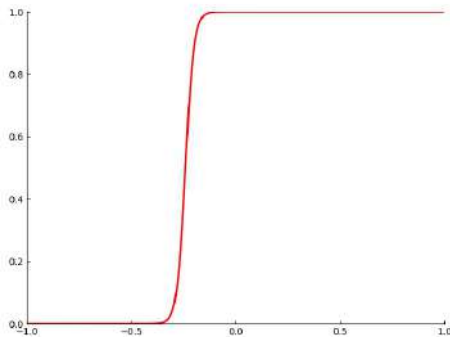
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 10$$



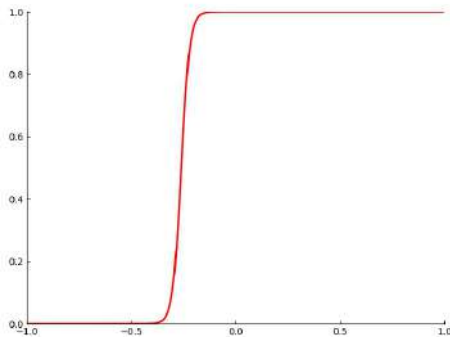
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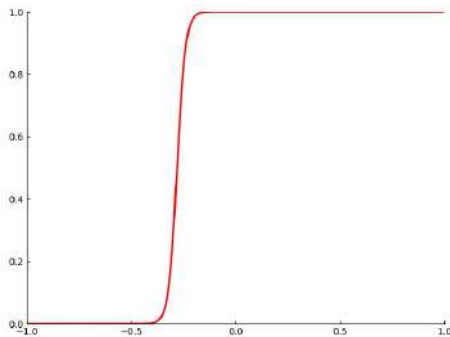
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 12$$



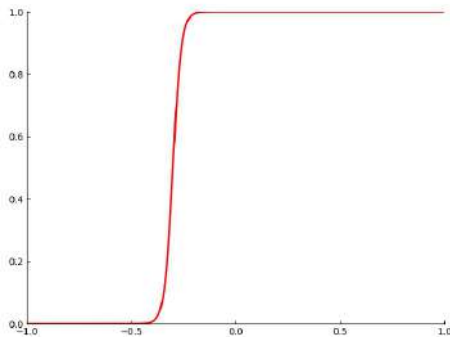
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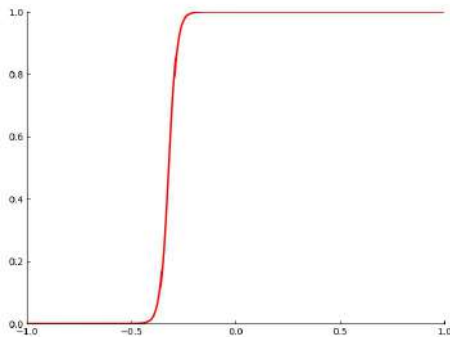
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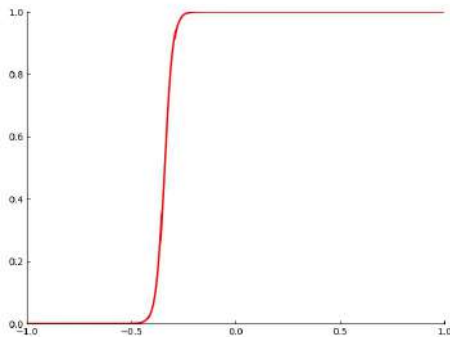
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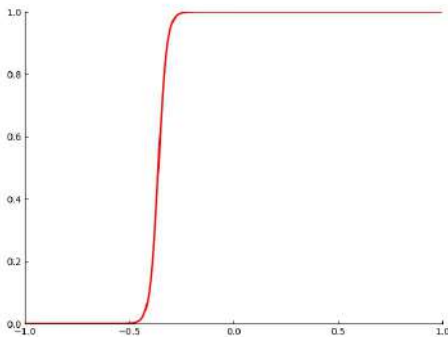
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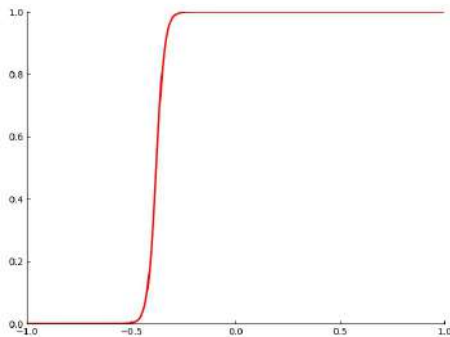
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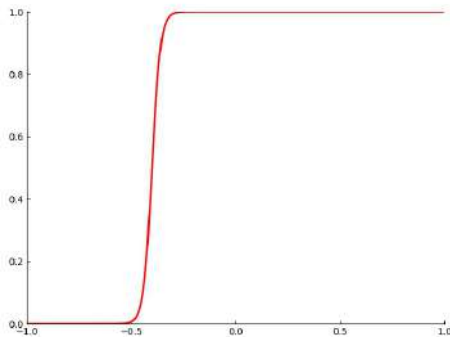
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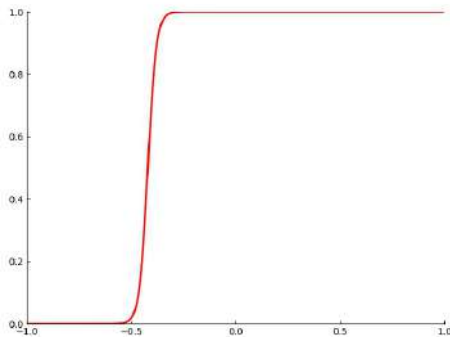
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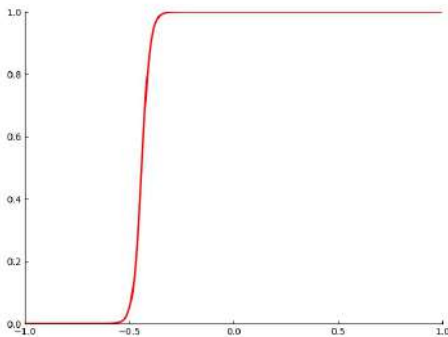
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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-(wx+b)}} \quad w = 50, b = 20$$



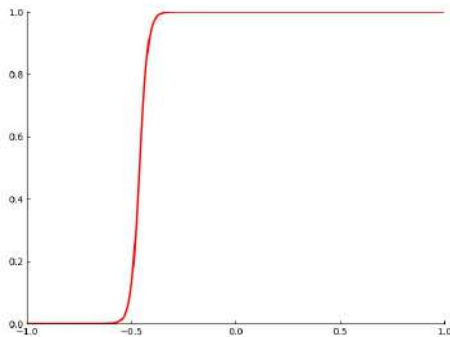
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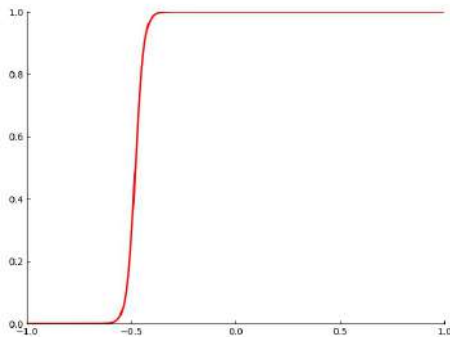
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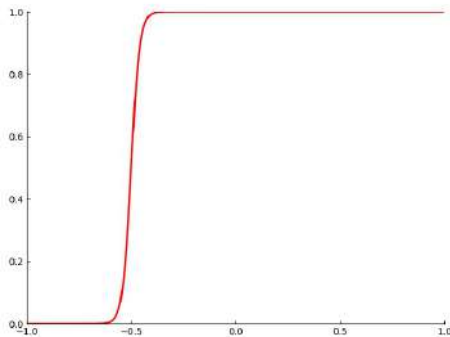
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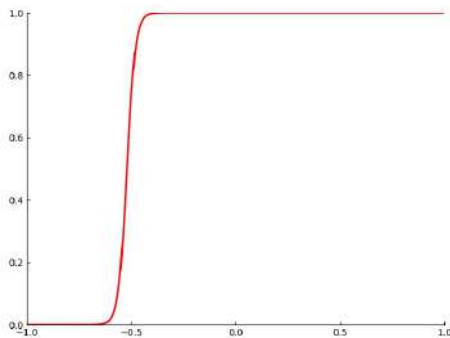
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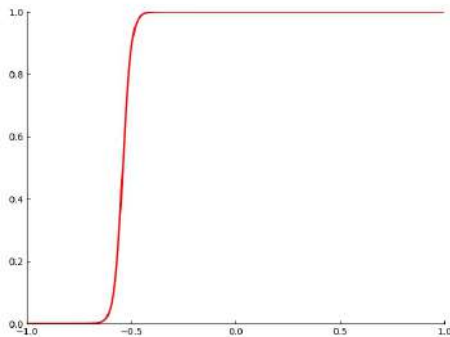
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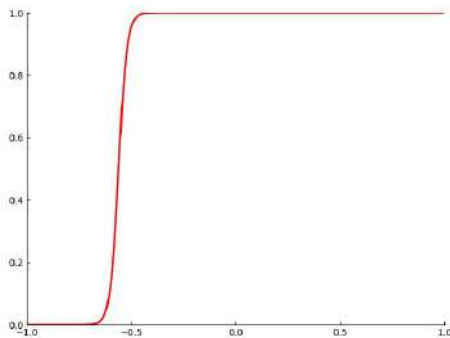
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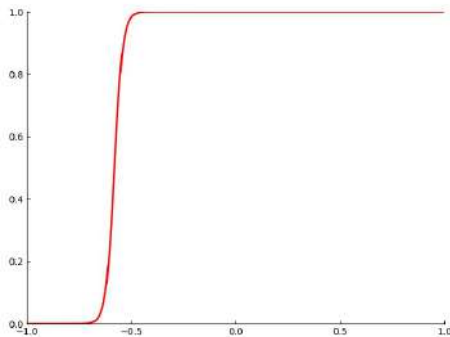
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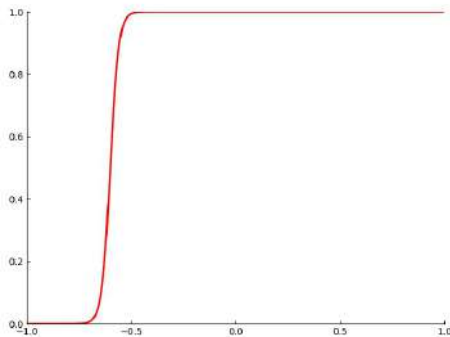
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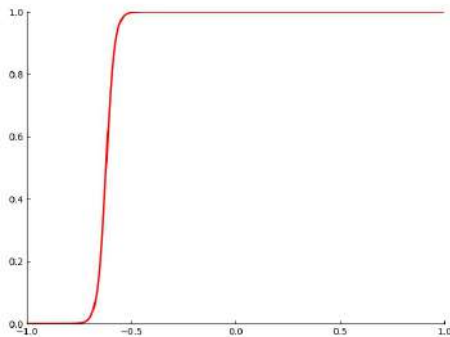
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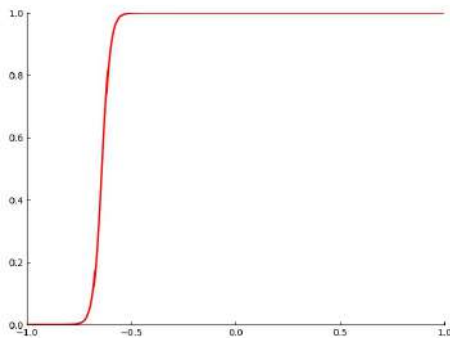
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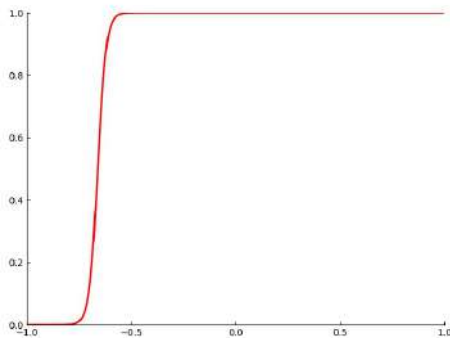
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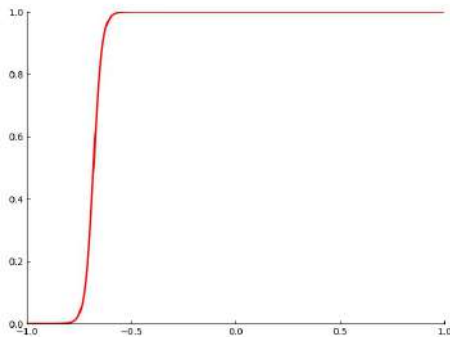
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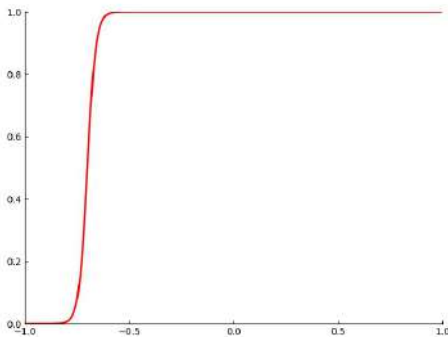
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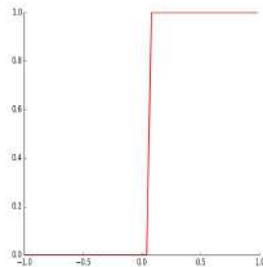
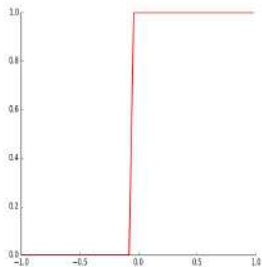
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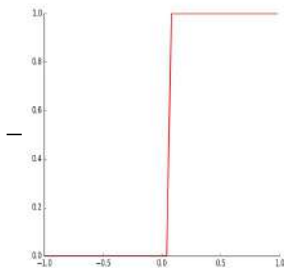
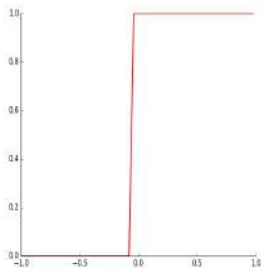


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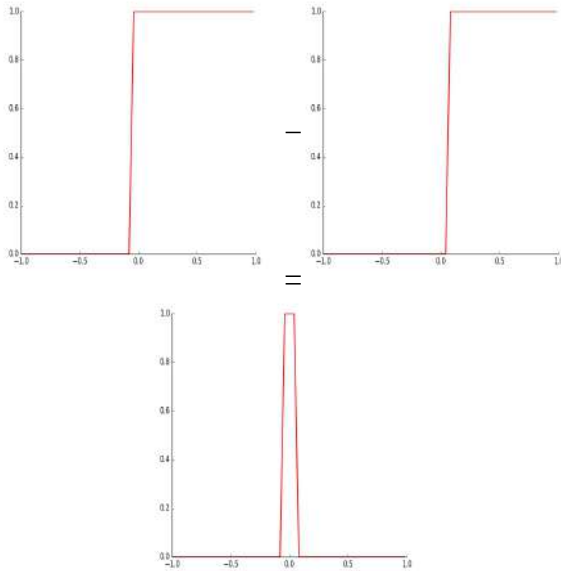


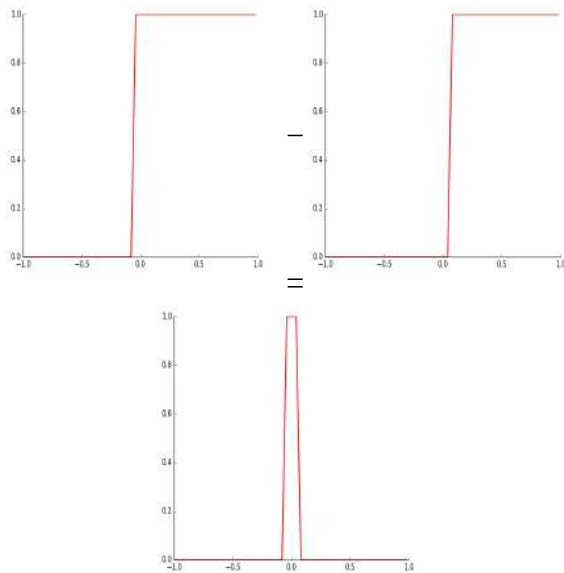
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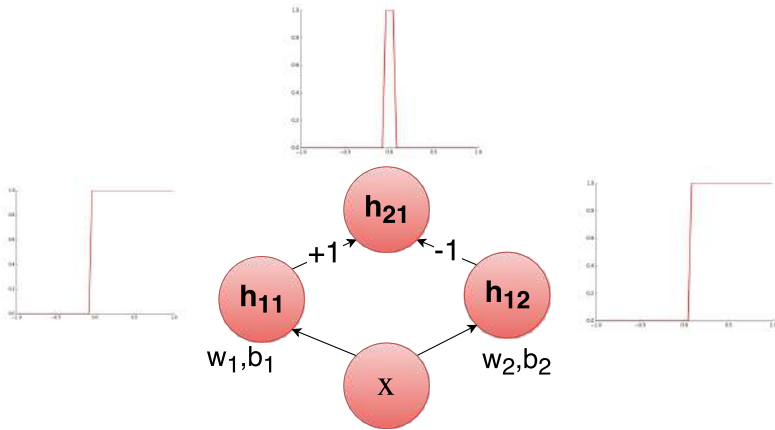




- Now let us see what we get by taking two such sigmoid functions (with different  $b$ 's) and subtracting one from the other
- Voila! We have our tower function !!

- Can we come up with a neural network to represent this operation of subtracting one sigmoid function from another ?

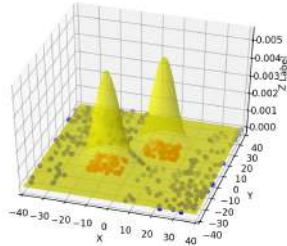




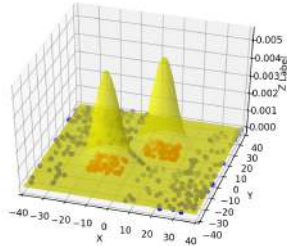
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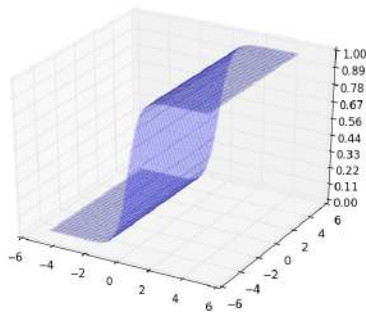
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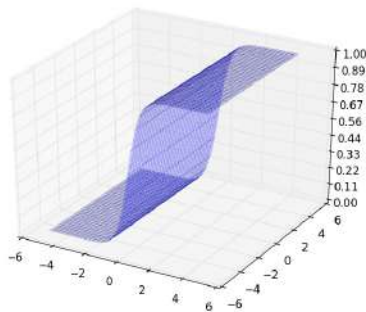
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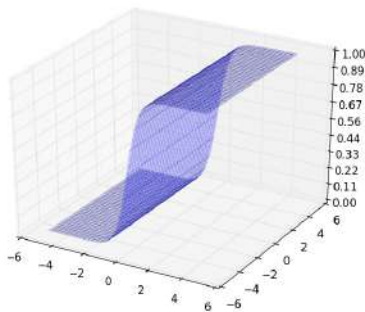
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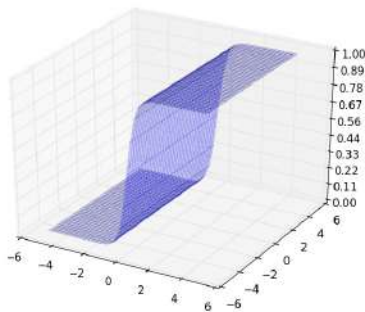
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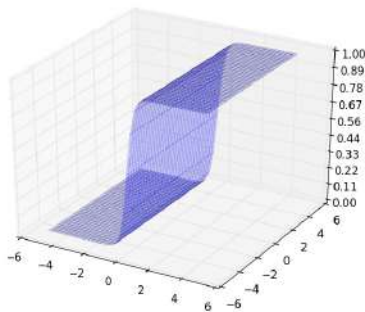
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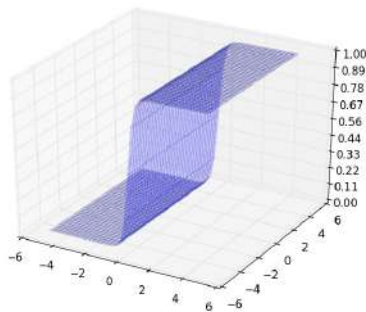
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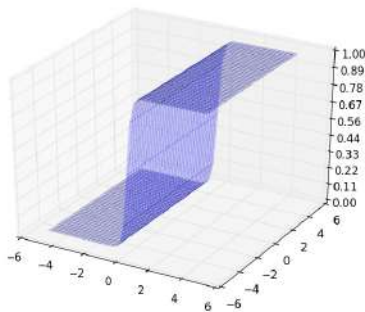
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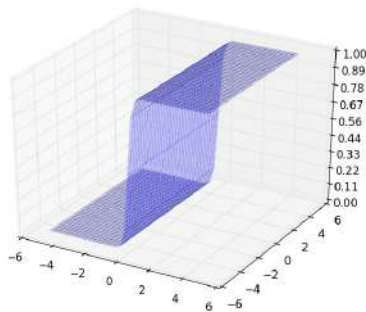
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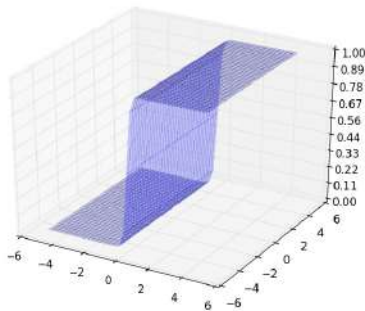
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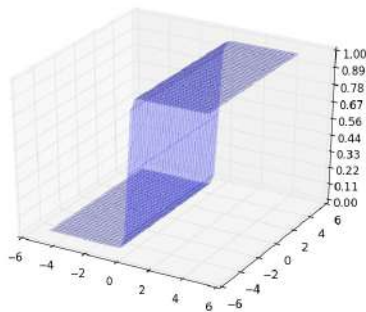
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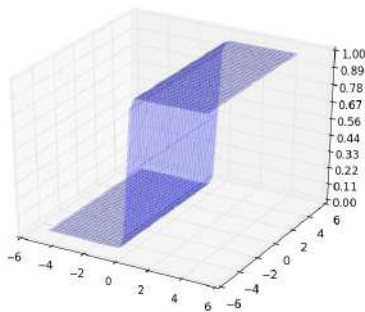


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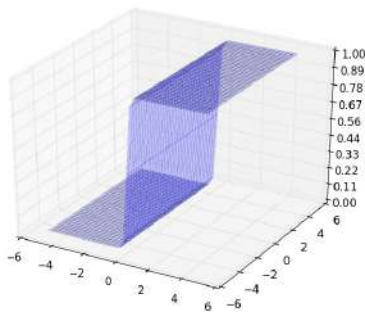
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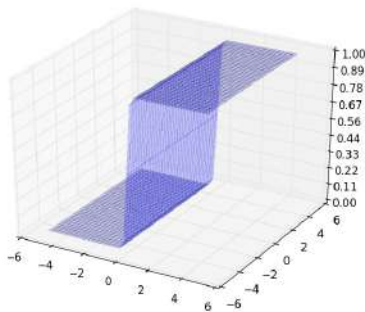
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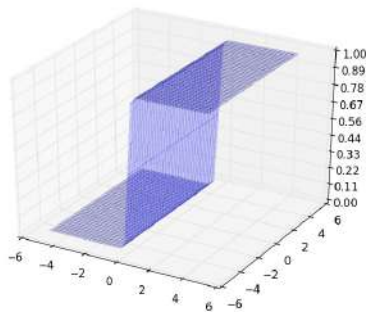
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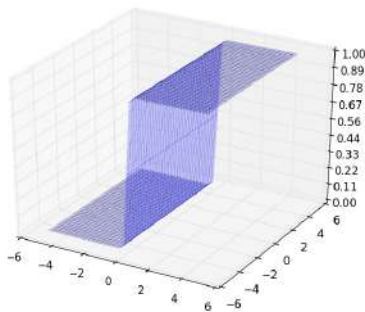
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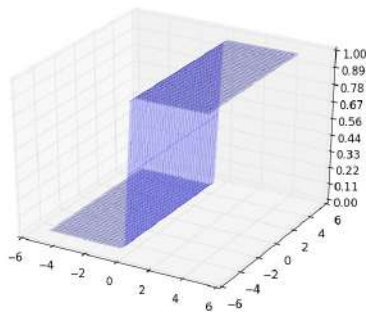
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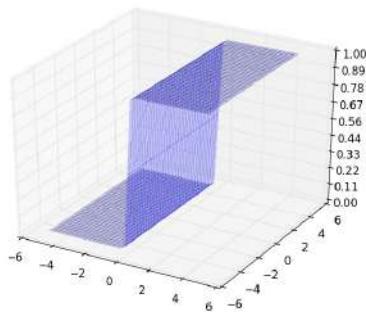
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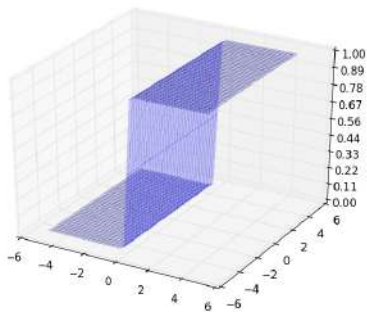
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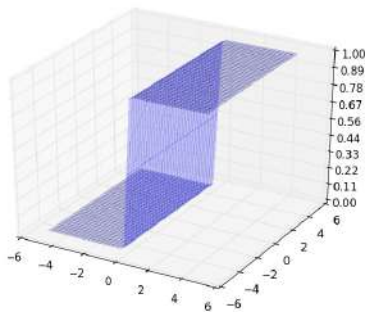


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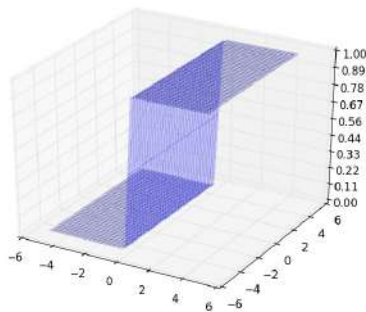
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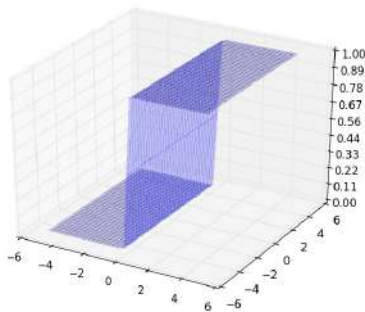
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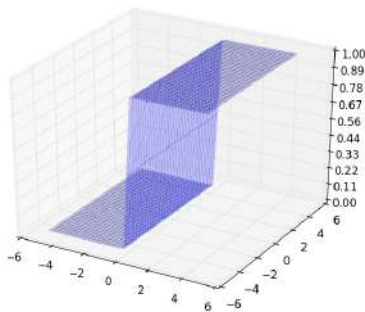
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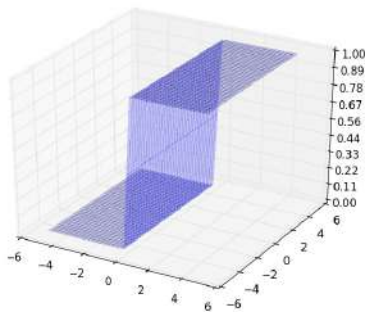
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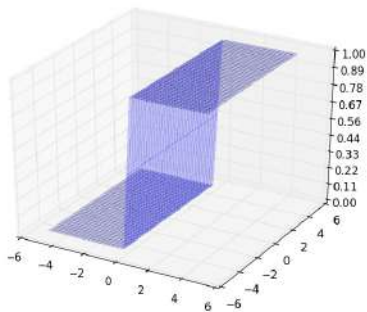
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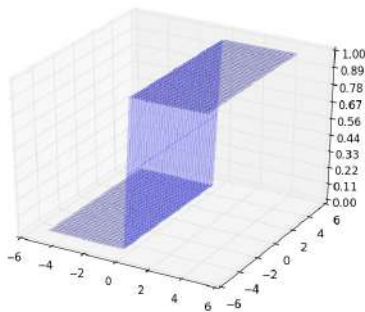
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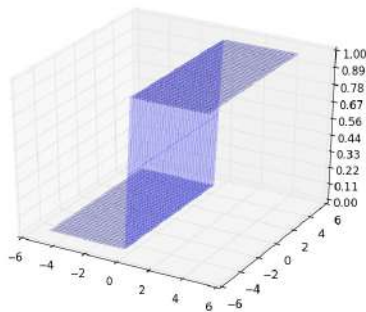
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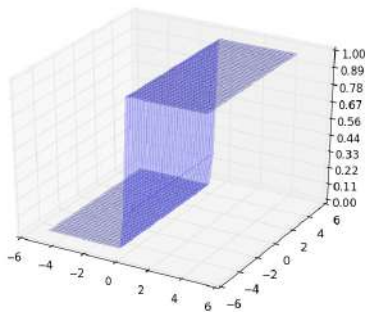
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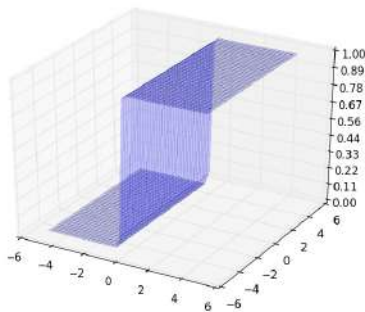
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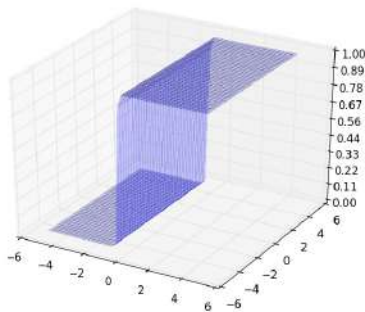
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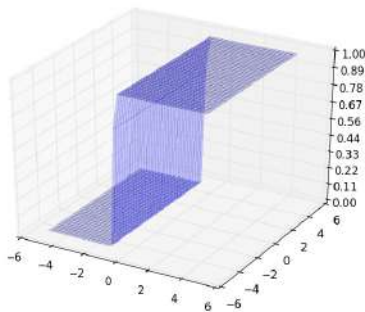
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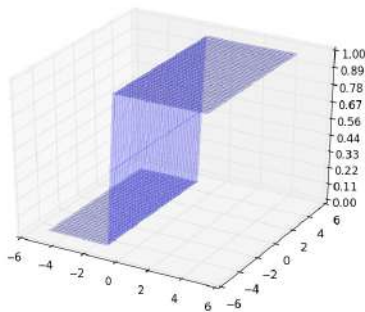
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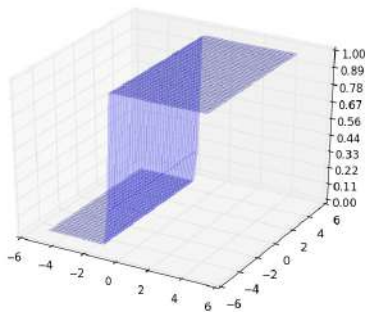
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$$w_1 = 25, w_2 = 0, b = 25$$

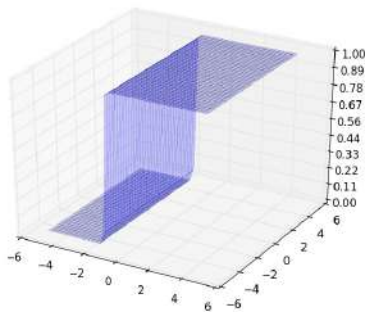
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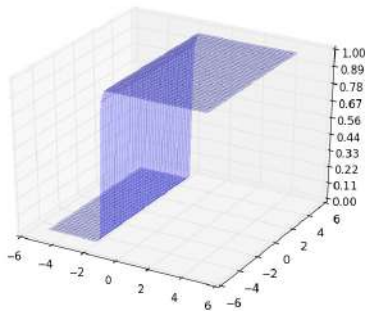
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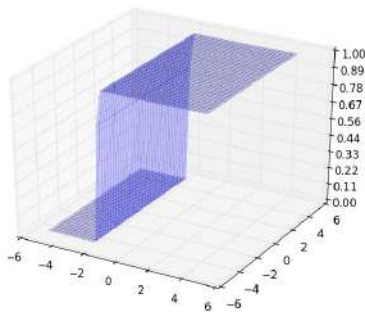


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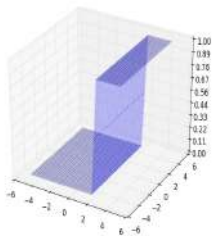
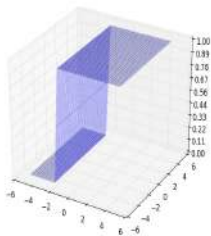


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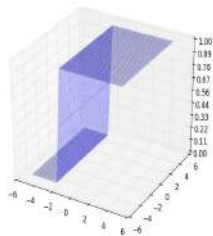


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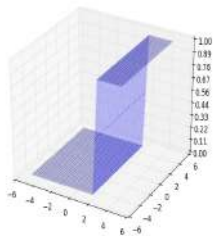
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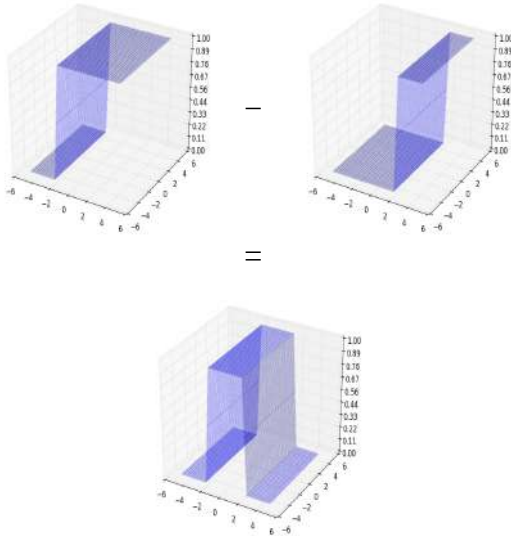


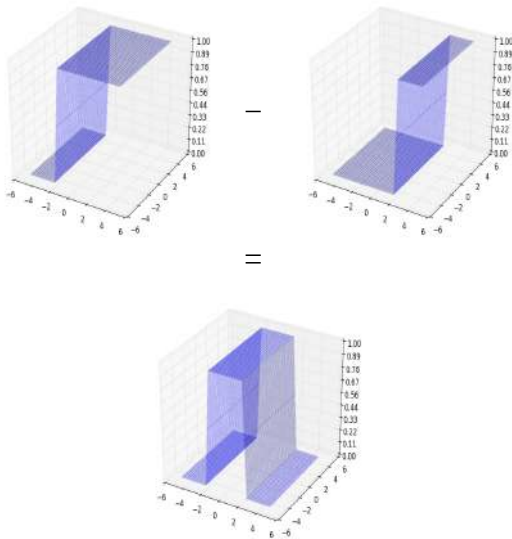
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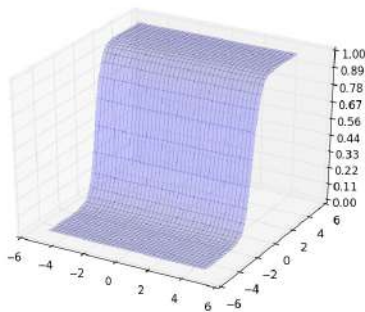




- What if we take two such step functions (with different  $b$  values) and subtract one from the other
- We still don't get a tower (or we get a tower which is open from two sides)

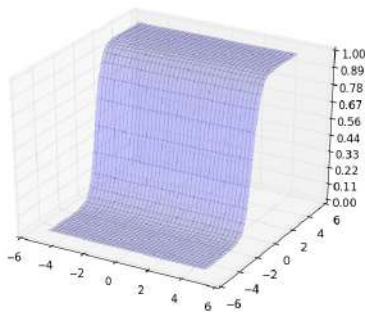
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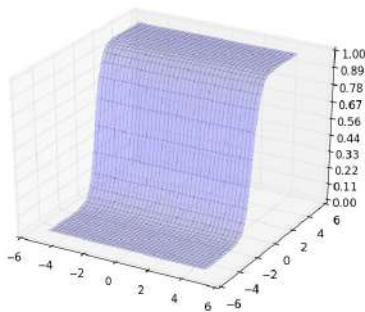
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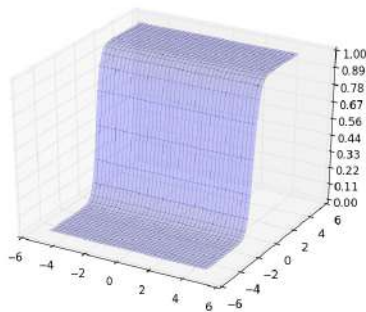


$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 2, b = 0$$



$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

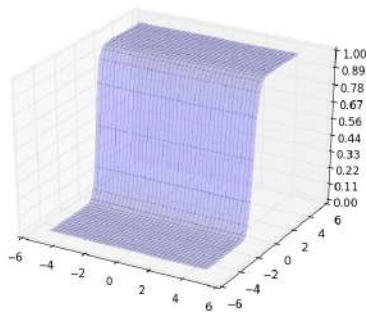
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 3, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

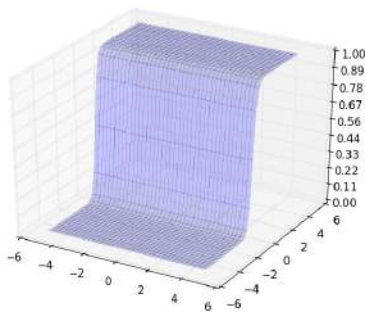
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 4, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

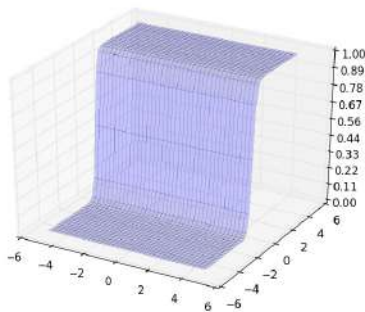
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 5, b = 0$$

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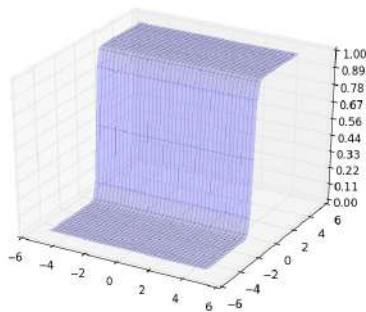
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 6, b = 0$$

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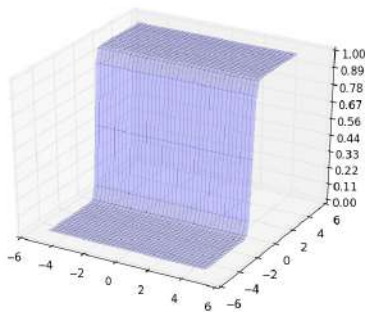
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 7, b = 0$$

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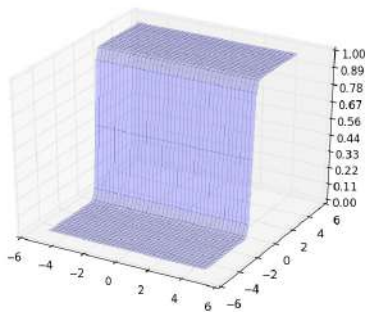
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 8, b = 0$$

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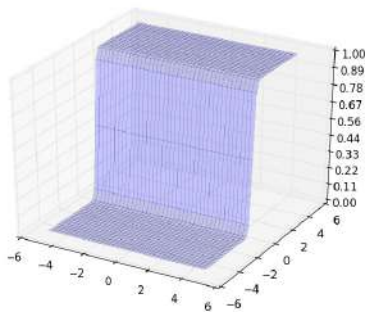
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 9, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation

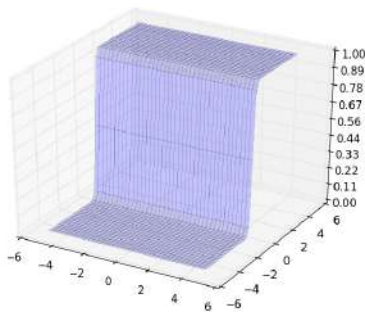


$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 10, b = 0$$



$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

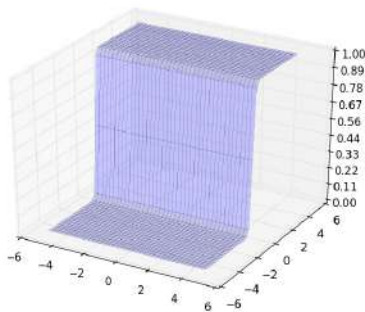
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 11, b = 0$$

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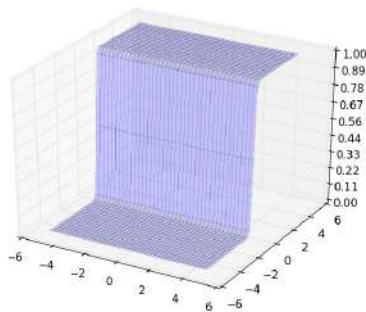
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 12, b = 0$$

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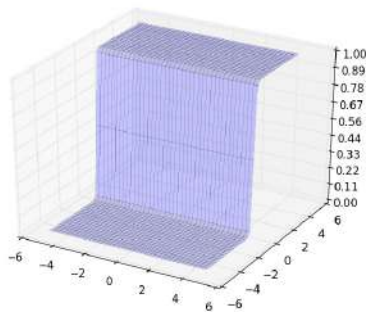
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 13, b = 0$$

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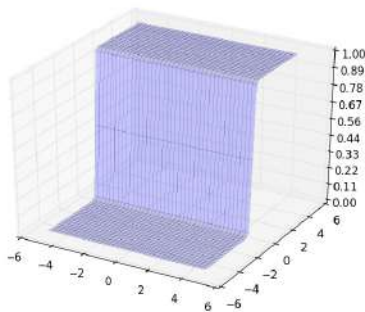
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 14, b = 0$$

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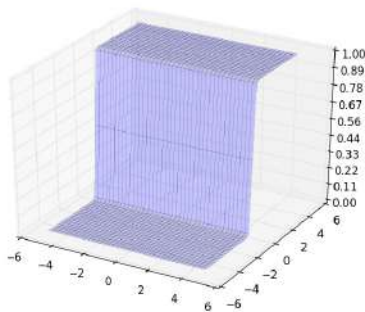
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 15, b = 0$$

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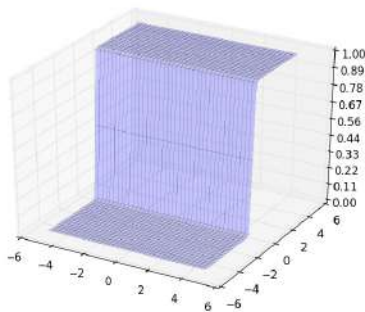
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 16, b = 0$$

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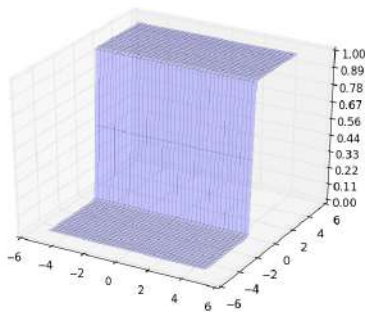
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 17, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation

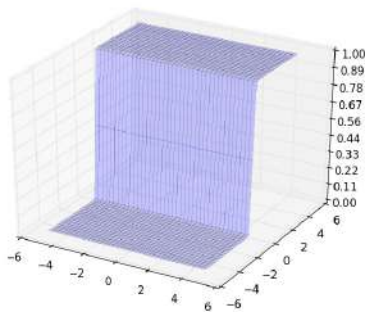


$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 18, b = 0$$



$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

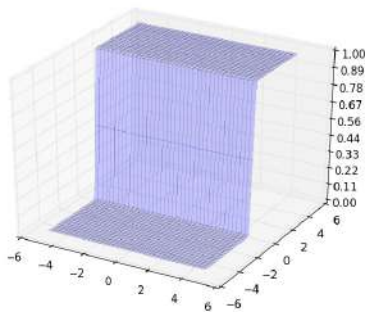
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 19, b = 0$$

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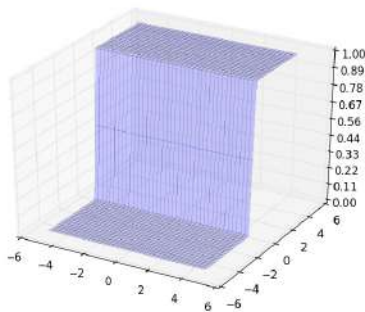
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 20, b = 0$$

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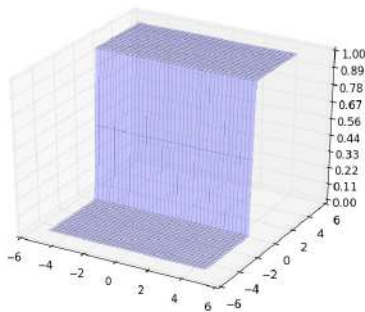
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 21, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

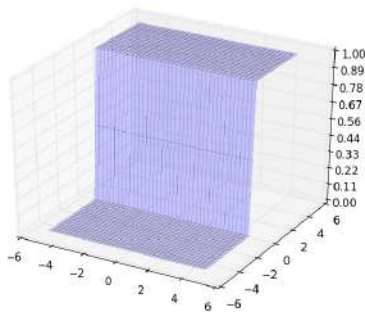
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 22, b = 0$$

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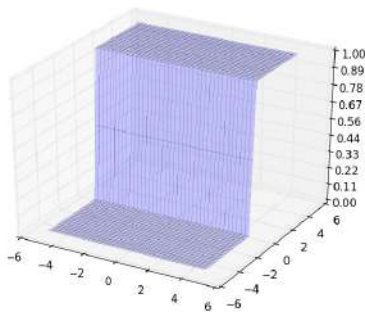
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 23, b = 0$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

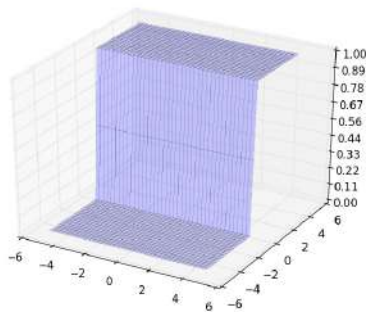
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 24, b = 0$$

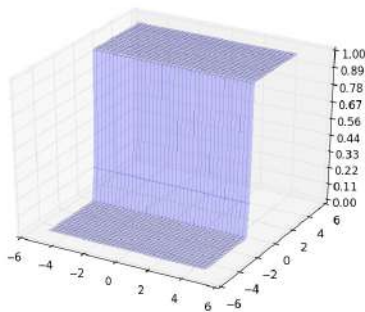
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- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation
- And now we change  $b$



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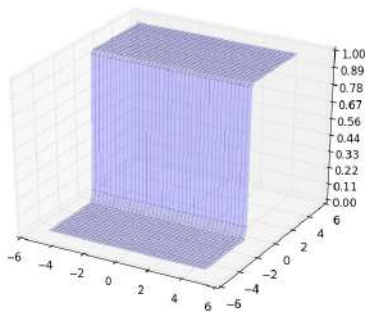


$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 5$$



$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

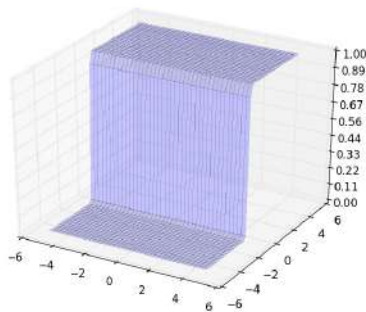
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation
- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 10$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

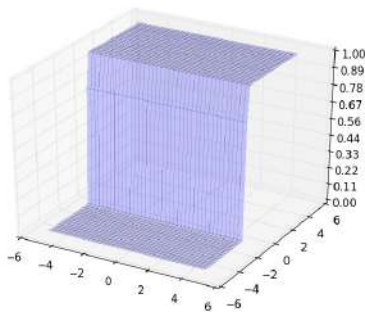
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$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 15$$

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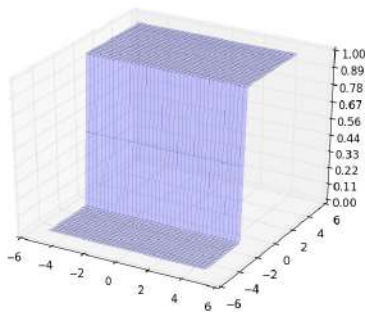
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- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 20$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

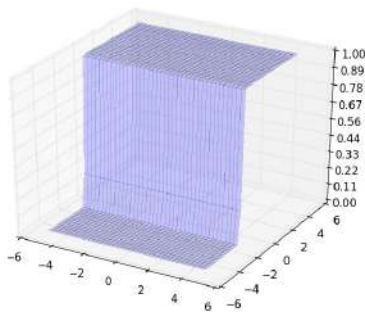
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- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 25$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

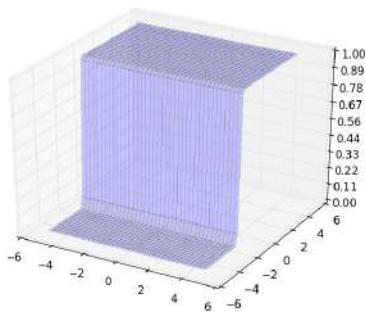
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation
- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 30$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

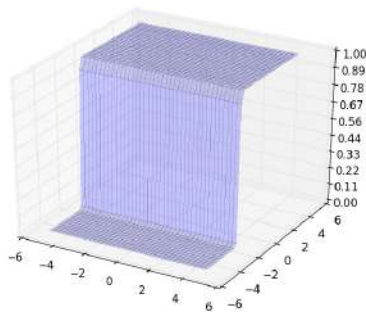
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation
- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 35$$

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b)}}$$

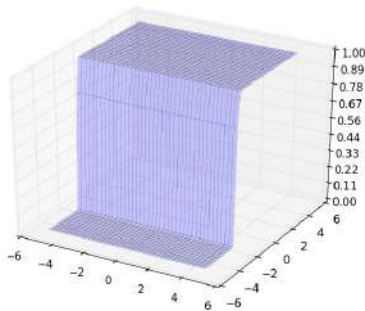
- Now let us set  $w_1$  to 0 and adjust  $w_2$  to get a 2-dimensional step function with a different orientation
- And now we change  $b$



$$w_1 = 0, w_2 = 25, b = 40$$

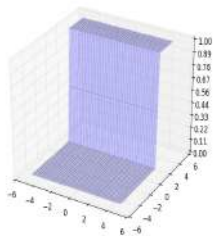
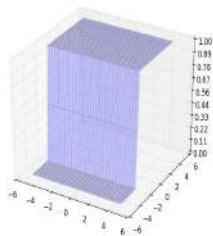
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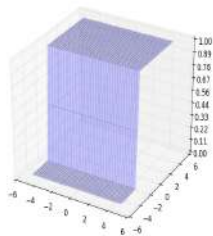


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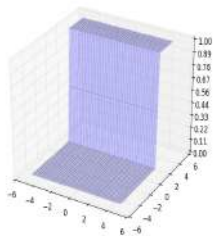




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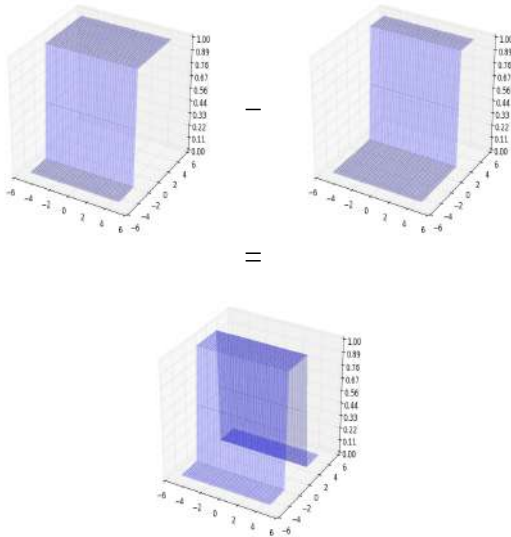


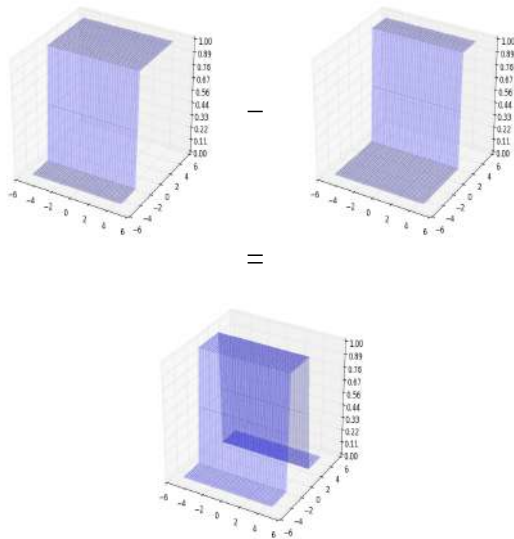
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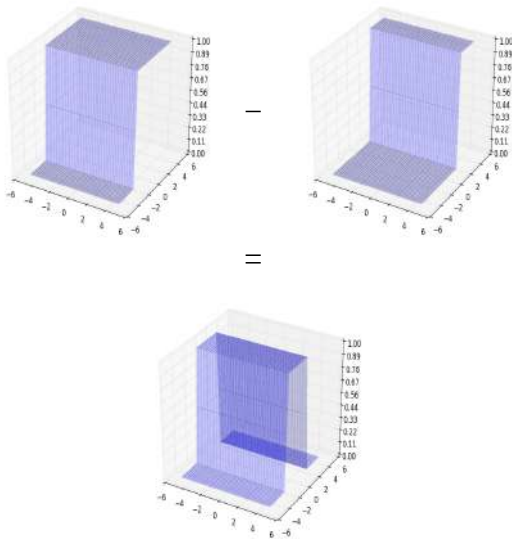
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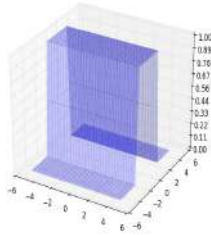
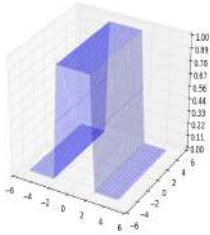


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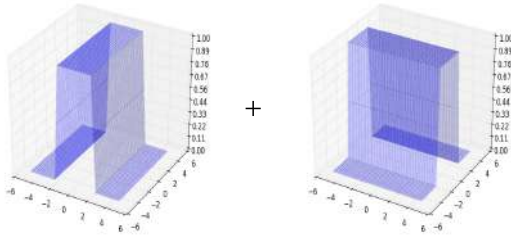


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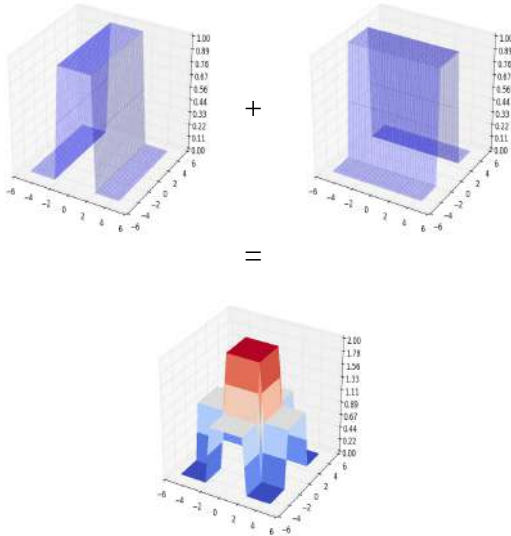
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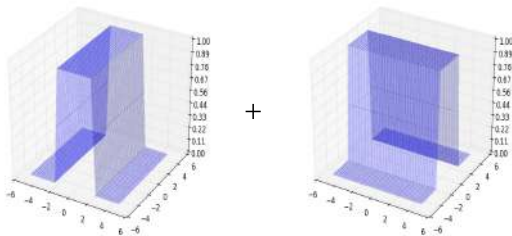
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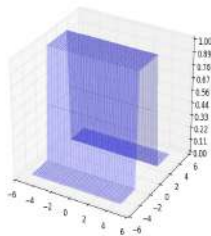
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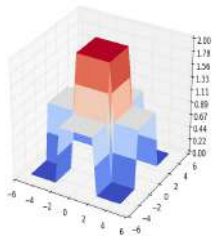




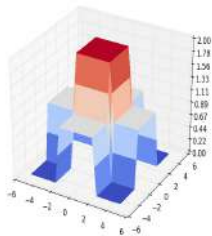
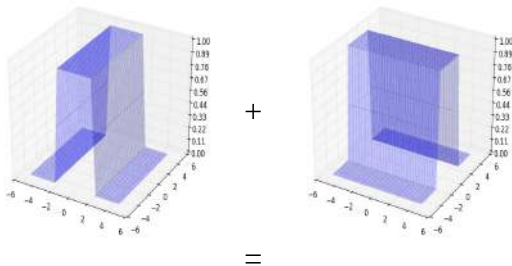
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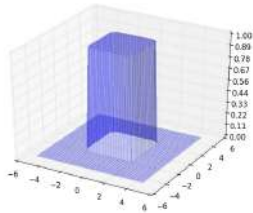
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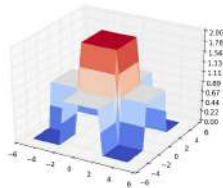
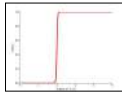
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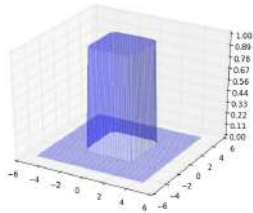
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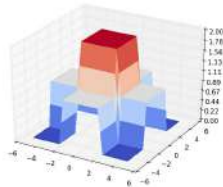
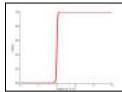
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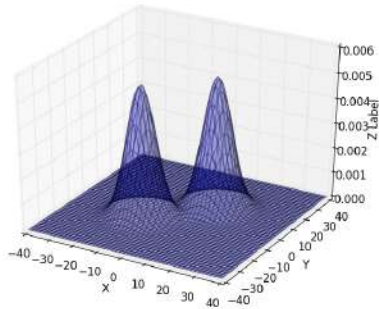


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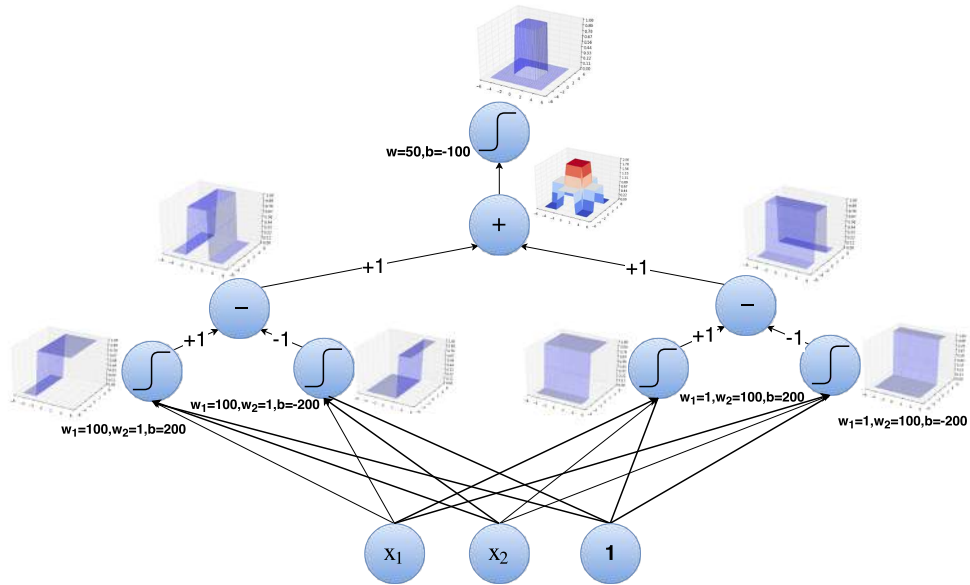


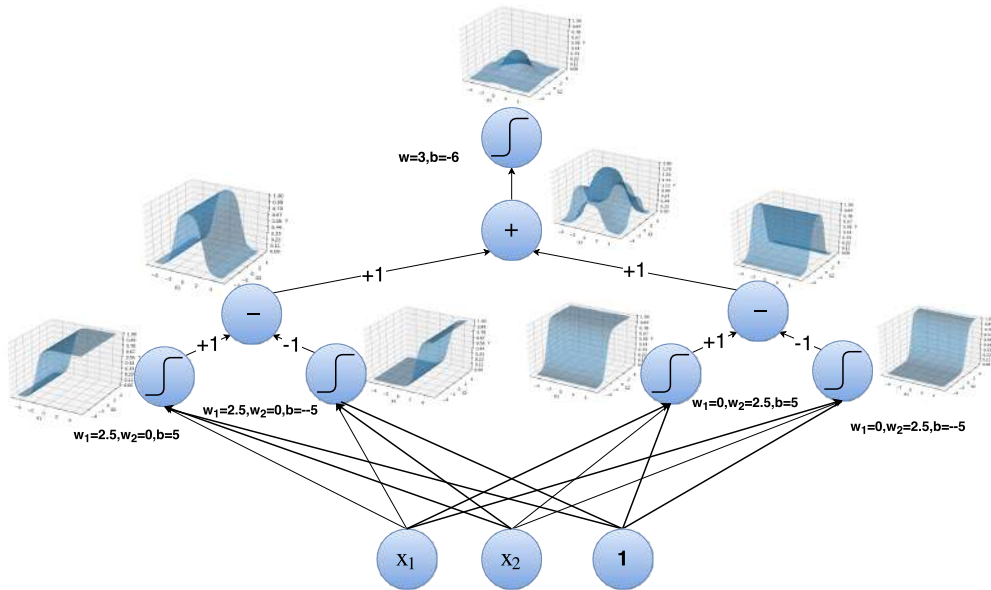
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- For example, we could approximate the following function using a sum of several towers



- Can we come up with a neural network to represent this entire procedure of constructing a 3 dimensional tower ?





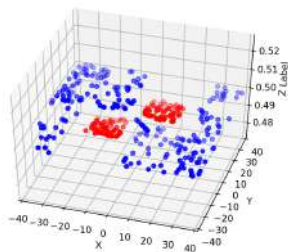


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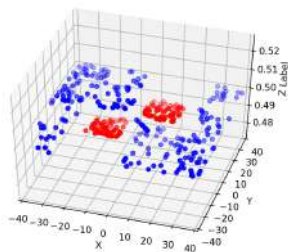
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## Time to retrospect

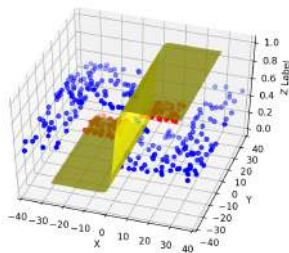
- Why do we care about approximating any arbitrary function ?
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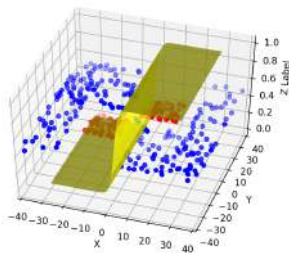
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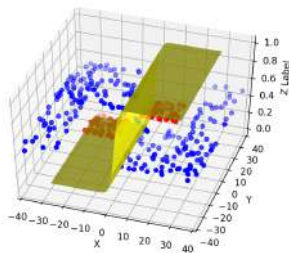
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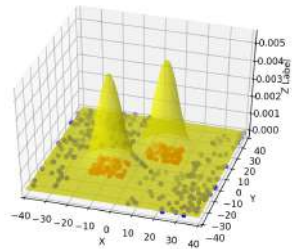
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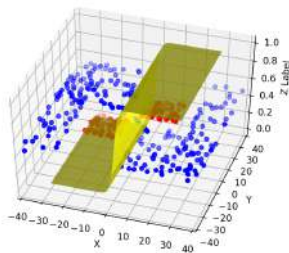
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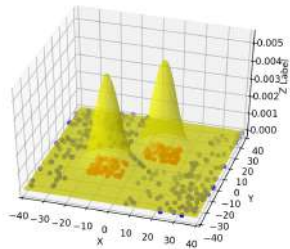
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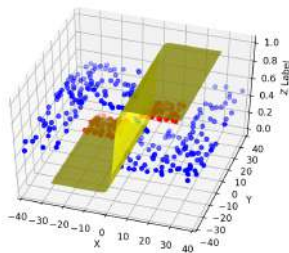


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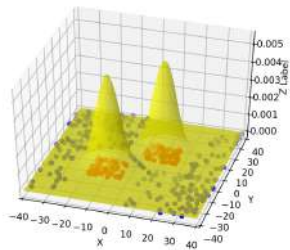


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