

# Aim

- Understanding the forward pass
- Manually calculating gradients
- Implementing automated backpropagation
- Visualizing the computation graph
- Perform a backpropagation using PyTorch

In [18]: *# A Value object represents a variable in a computation and tracks two*  
*# 1. The current value of the variable*  
*# 2. How this variable affects the final output (its gradient)*

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from graphviz import Digraph

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import numpy as np

class Value:
    def __init__(self, data, label="", prev=[], op=""):
        self.data = data
        self.grad = 0
        self.label = label
        self.prev = prev
        self._backwards = lambda: None
        self.op = op

    def backwards(self):
        topo = []
        visited = set()
        def build_topo(v):
            if v not in visited:
                visited.add(v)
                for child in v.prev:
                    build_topo(child)
                topo.append(v)
        build_topo(self)
        self.grad = 1
        for v in reversed(topo):
            v._backwards()

    def __add__(self, other):
        other = other if isinstance(other, Value) else Value(other)
        out = Value(self.data + other.data, prev=[self, other], op="+")

        def backwards():
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        self.grad += 1 * out.grad
        other.grad += 1 * out.grad
    out._backwards = backwards
    return out

def pow(self, other):
    assert isinstance(other, (int, float)), "Exponent must be a scalar"
    out = Value(self.data ** other, prev=[self], op=f"**{other}")
    def backwards():
        self.grad += other * self.data ** (other - 1) * out.grad
    out._backwards = backwards
    return out

def __neg__(self):
    return self * -1

def __sub__(self, other):
    return self + (-other)

def __truediv__(self, other):
    return self * other.pow(-1)

def __radd__(self, other):
    return self + other

def __mul__(self, other):
    other = other if isinstance(other, Value) else Value(other)
    out = Value(self.data * other.data, prev=[self, other], op="*")
    def backwards():
        self.grad += other.data * out.grad
        other.grad += self.data * out.grad
    out._backwards = backwards
    return out

def __rmul__(self, other):
    return self * other

def tanh(self):
    tanh_value = (np.exp(self.data) - np.exp(-1 * self.data)) / (np.exp(self.data) + np.exp(-1 * self.data))
    out = Value(tanh_value, prev=[self], op="tanh")
    def backwards():
        self.grad += (1 - tanh_value ** 2) * out.grad
    out._backwards = backwards
    return out

def exp(self):
    out = Value(np.exp(self.data), prev=[self], op="exp")
    def backwards():
        self.grad += np.exp(self.data) * out.grad
    out._backwards = backwards
    return out

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def __repr__(self):
    return f"Value(label={self.label}, data={self.data}, grad={self.grad})"

def _build(self):
    """builds a set of all nodes and edges in a graph"""
    nodes, edges = set(), set()

    def build(v):
        if v not in nodes:
            nodes.add(v)
            for child in v.prev:
                edges.add((child, v))
                build(child)
    build(self)
    return nodes, edges

def draw_dot(self):
    """Creates a visualization of the computation graph"""
    dot = Digraph(format='svg', graph_attr={'rankdir': 'LR'})

    nodes, edges = self._build()

    # Add all nodes to graph
    for n in nodes:
        uid = str(id(n))
        # Create a node label with data and optional label
        node_label = f"data {n.data:.4f}"
        if n.label:
            node_label += f" | label {n.label}"

        if n.grad:
            node_label += f" | grad {n.grad}"

        # Add the node as a box
        dot.node(name=uid,
                label=node_label,
                shape='record')

        # If it's an operation result, add the operation node
        if n.op:
            op_id = uid + n.op
            dot.node(name=op_id, label=n.op, shape='circle')
            dot.edge(op_id, uid)

    # Add edges between nodes
    for n1, n2 in edges:
        dot.edge(str(id(n1)), str(id(n2)) + n2.op)

    return dot

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# Manual backpropagation

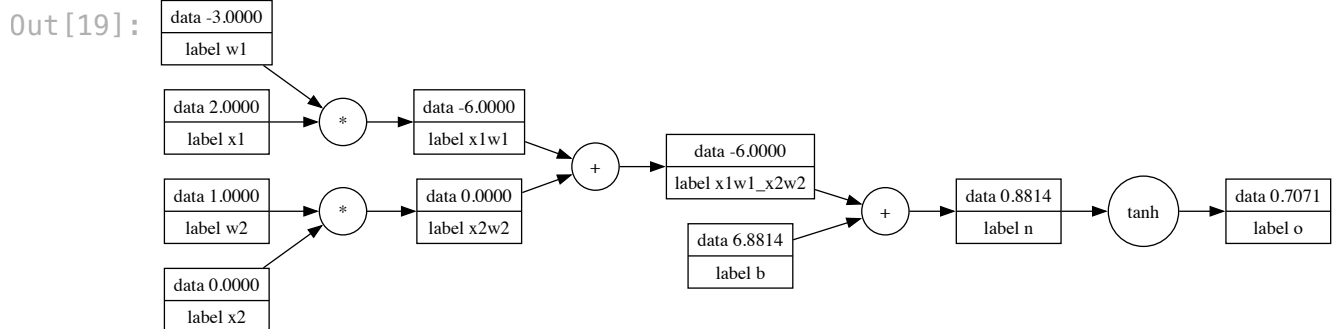
A neuron can be expressed as

$$o = \tanh(x_1 w_1 + x_2 w_2 + b)$$

We will back propagate the neuron at  $x_1 = 2$ ,  $x_2 = 0$ ,  $w_1 = -3$ ,  $w_2 = 1$ ,  $b = 6.8814$

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In [19]: # x1 = 2, x2 = 0, w1 = -3, w2 = 1, b = 6.8814
x1 = Value(2.0, label="x1")
x2 = Value(0, label="x2")
b = Value(6.8814, label="b")
w1 = Value(-3.0, label="w1")
w2 = Value(1.0, label="w2")

x1w1 = x1 * w1; x1w1.label = "x1w1"
x2w2 = x2 * w2; x2w2.label = "x2w2"
x1w1_x2w2 = x1w1 + x2w2; x1w1_x2w2.label = "x1w1_x2w2"
n = x1w1_x2w2 + b; n.label = "n"
o = n.tanh(); o.label = "o"
o.draw_dot()
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## Output Gradient $\partial o / \partial o$

By definition  $\partial o / \partial o = 1$

## $\partial o / \partial n$

$$o = \tanh(n)$$

$$\partial o / \partial n = 1 - \tanh^2(n) = 1 - 0.7071^2 = 0.5$$

## $\partial o / \partial x_1 w_1$ and $\partial o / \partial b$

$$\begin{aligned}
 n &= x1w1\_x2w2 + b \\
 \partial o / \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) &= \partial o / \partial n * \partial n / \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) \\
 &= 0.5 * 1 = 0.5 \quad [\text{since } \partial n / \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) = 1 \text{ for addition}]
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 \end{aligned}$$

## $\partial o / \partial x1w1$ and $\partial o / \partial x2w2$

$$x1w1\_x2w2 = x1w1 + x2w2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial o / \partial (x1w1) &= \partial o / \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) * \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) / \partial (x1w1) \\
 &= 0.5 * 1 = 0.5 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) / \partial (x1w1) = 1 \text{ for addition}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial o / \partial (x2w2) &= \partial o / \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) * \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) / \partial (x2w2) \\
 &= 0.5 * 1 = 0.5 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x1w1\_x2w2) / \partial (x2w2) = 1 \text{ for addition}]
 \end{aligned}$$

## $\partial o / \partial w1, \partial o / \partial x1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial o / \partial w1 &= \partial o / \partial (x1w1) * \partial (x1w1) / \partial w1 \\
 &= 0.5 * x1 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x1w1) / \partial w1 = x1] \\
 &= 0.5 * 2 = 1 \quad [\text{given } x1 = 2]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial o / \partial x1 &= \partial o / \partial (x1w1) * \partial (x1w1) / \partial x1 \\
 &= 0.5 * w1 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x1w1) / \partial x1 = w1] \\
 &= 0.5 * -3 = -1.5 \quad [\text{given } w1 = -3]
 \end{aligned}$$

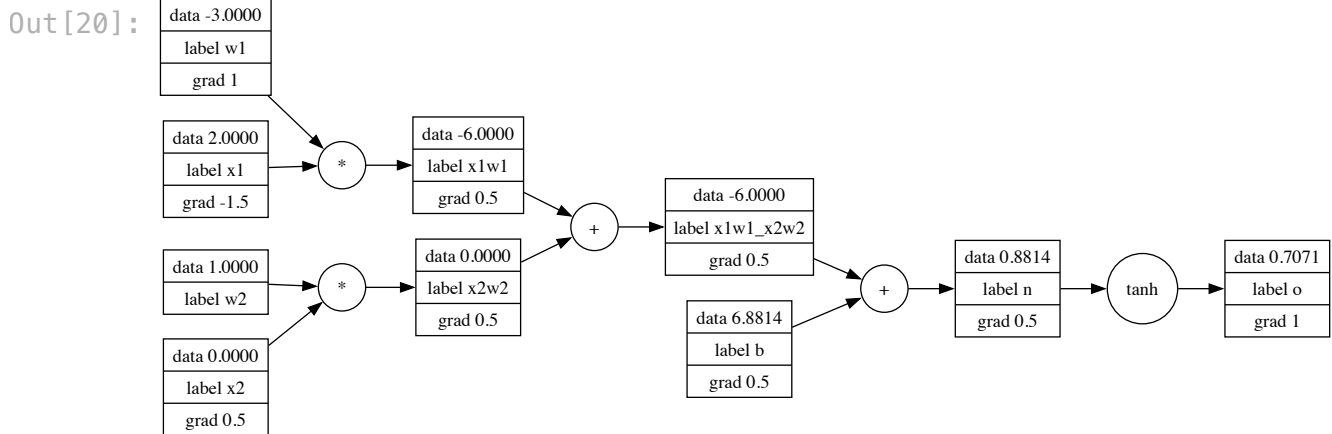
## $\partial o / \partial w2, \partial o / \partial x2$

$$x2w2 = x2 * w2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial o / \partial w2 &= \partial o / \partial (x2w2) * \partial (x2w2) / \partial w2 \\
 &= 0.5 * x2 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x2w2) / \partial w2 = x2] \\
 &= 0.5 * 0 = 0 \quad [\text{given } x2 = 0]
 \end{aligned}$$

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 \partial o / \partial x2 &= \partial o / \partial (x2w2) * \partial (x2w2) / \partial x2 \\
 &= 0.5 * w2 \quad [\text{since } \partial (x2w2) / \partial x2 = w2]
 \end{aligned}$$

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In [20]: x2.grad = 0.5; w2.grad = 0; w1.grad = 1; x1.grad = -1.5; x1w1.grad = 0
o.draw_dot()
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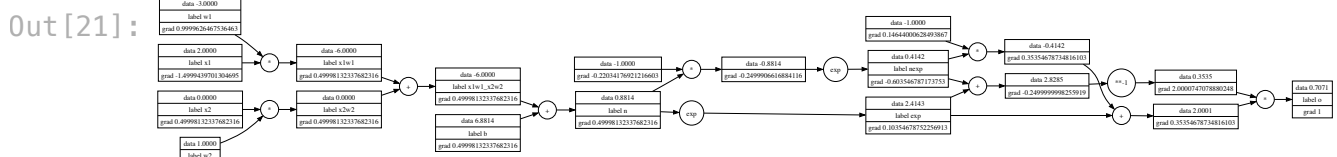
## Automated backpropagation

We can recursively backpropagate from **o** to derive gradient of above equation tree.

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In [21]: x1 = Value(2.0, label="x1")
x2 = Value(0, label="x2")
b = Value(6.8814, label="b")
w1 = Value(-3.0, label="w1")
w2 = Value(1.0, label="w2")

x1w1 = x1 * w1; x1w1.label = "x1w1"
x2w2 = x2 * w2; x2w2.label = "x2w2"
x1w1_x2w2 = x1w1 + x2w2; x1w1_x2w2.label = "x1w1_x2w2"
n = x1w1_x2w2 + b; n.label = "n"
# exp = (2*n).exp(); exp.label = "exp"
# o = (exp - 1)/(exp + 1); o.label = "o"
# o.backwards()
# o.draw_dot()

exp = n.exp(); exp.label = "exp"
nexp = (-1*n).exp(); nexp.label = "nexp"
o = (exp - nexp)/(exp + nexp); o.label = "o"
o.backwards()
o.draw_dot()
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# Backpropagation using PyTorch

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In [22]: import torch
x1 = torch.Tensor([2.0]).double() ; x1.requires_grad = True
x2 = torch.Tensor([0.0]).double() ; x2.requires_grad = True
b = torch.Tensor([6.8814]).double() ; b.requires_grad = True
w1 = torch.Tensor([-3.0]).double() ; w1.requires_grad = True
w2 = torch.Tensor([1.0]).double() ; w2.requires_grad = True

n = x1*w1 + x2*w2 + b
o = torch.tanh(n)
o.backward()
print(o.data.item())
print(x1.grad.item(), x2.grad.item(), w1.grad.item(), w2.grad.item(),

0.7071200415967962
-1.4999437403164355 0.49998124677214517 0.9999624935442903 0.0 0.49998
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