Lecture 3: Anatomy of NN

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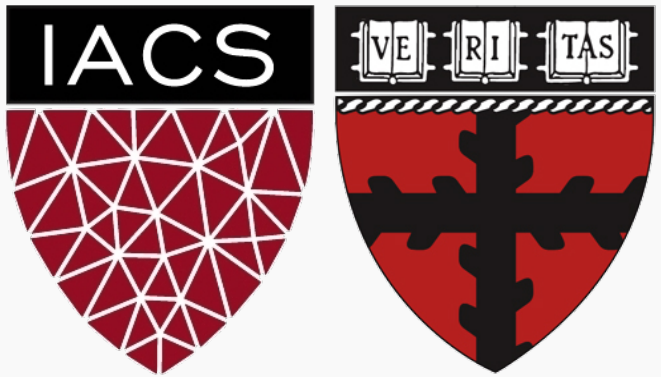

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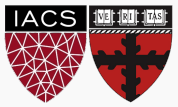

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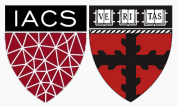

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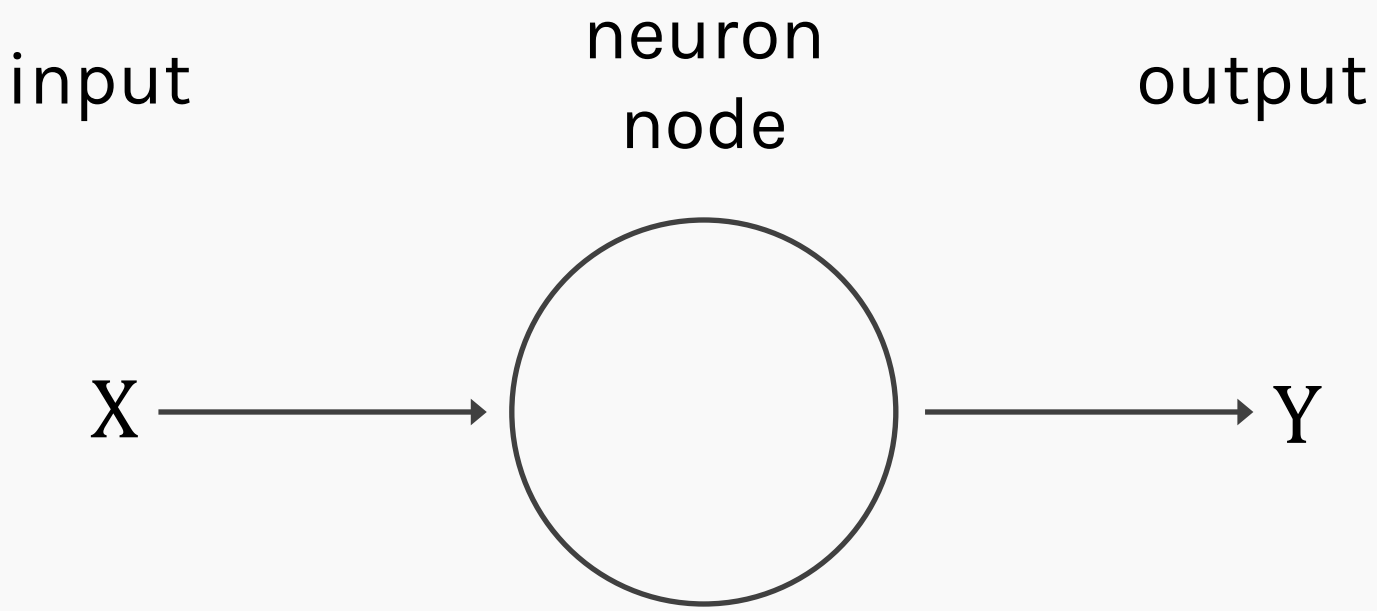

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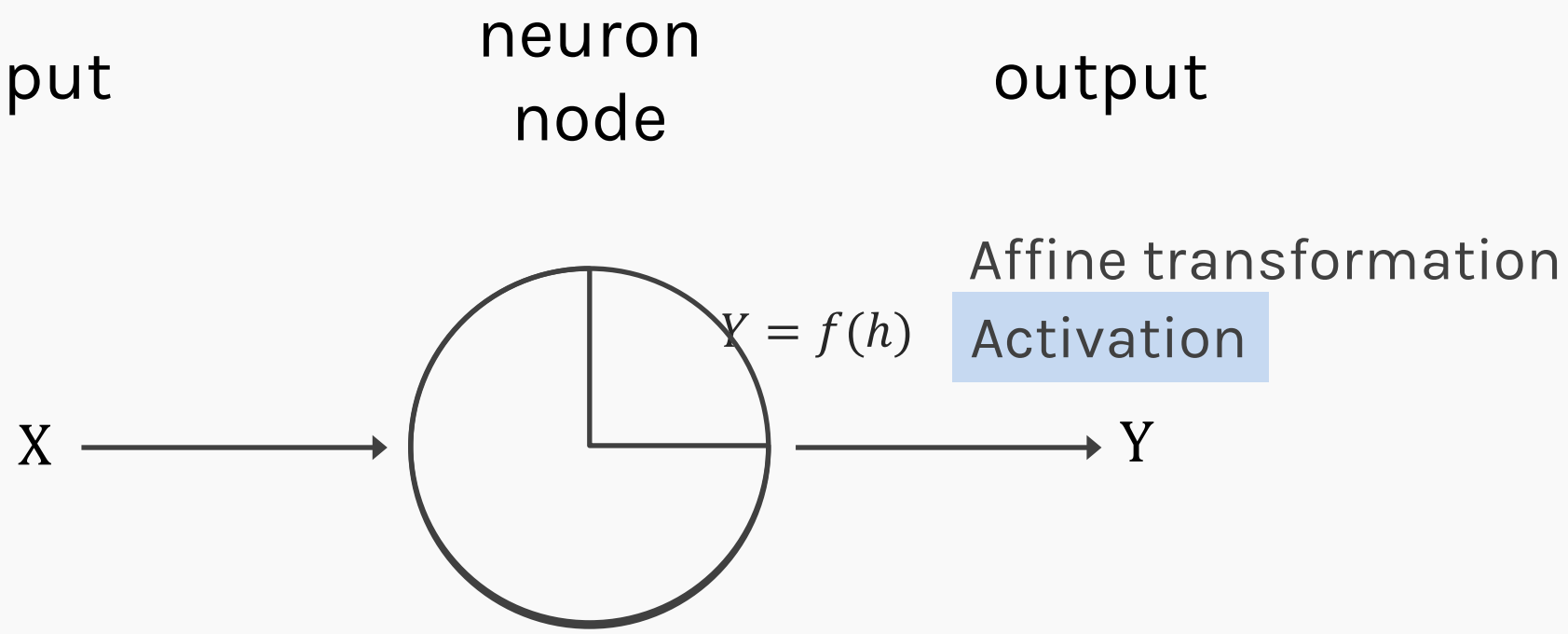

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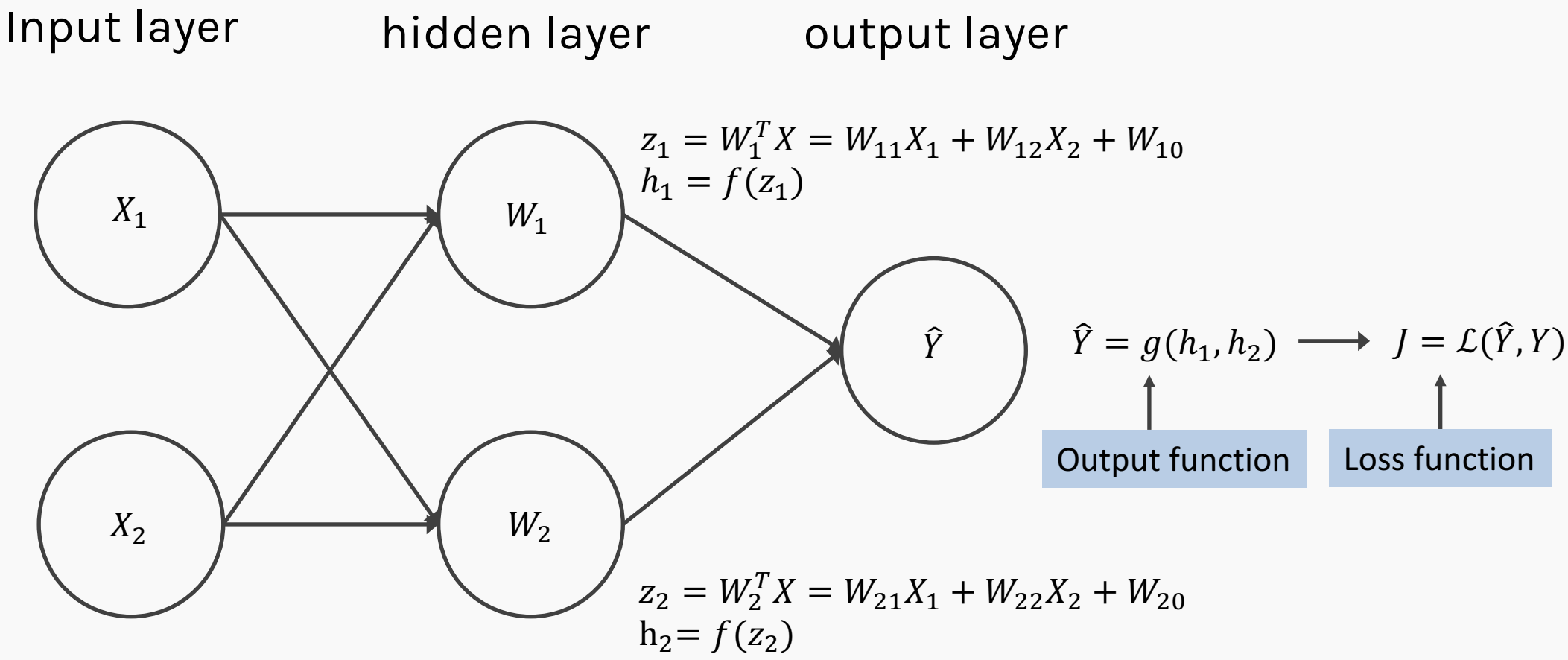

We will talk later about the choice of the output layer and the loss function. So far we consider sigmoid as the output and log-bernouli.

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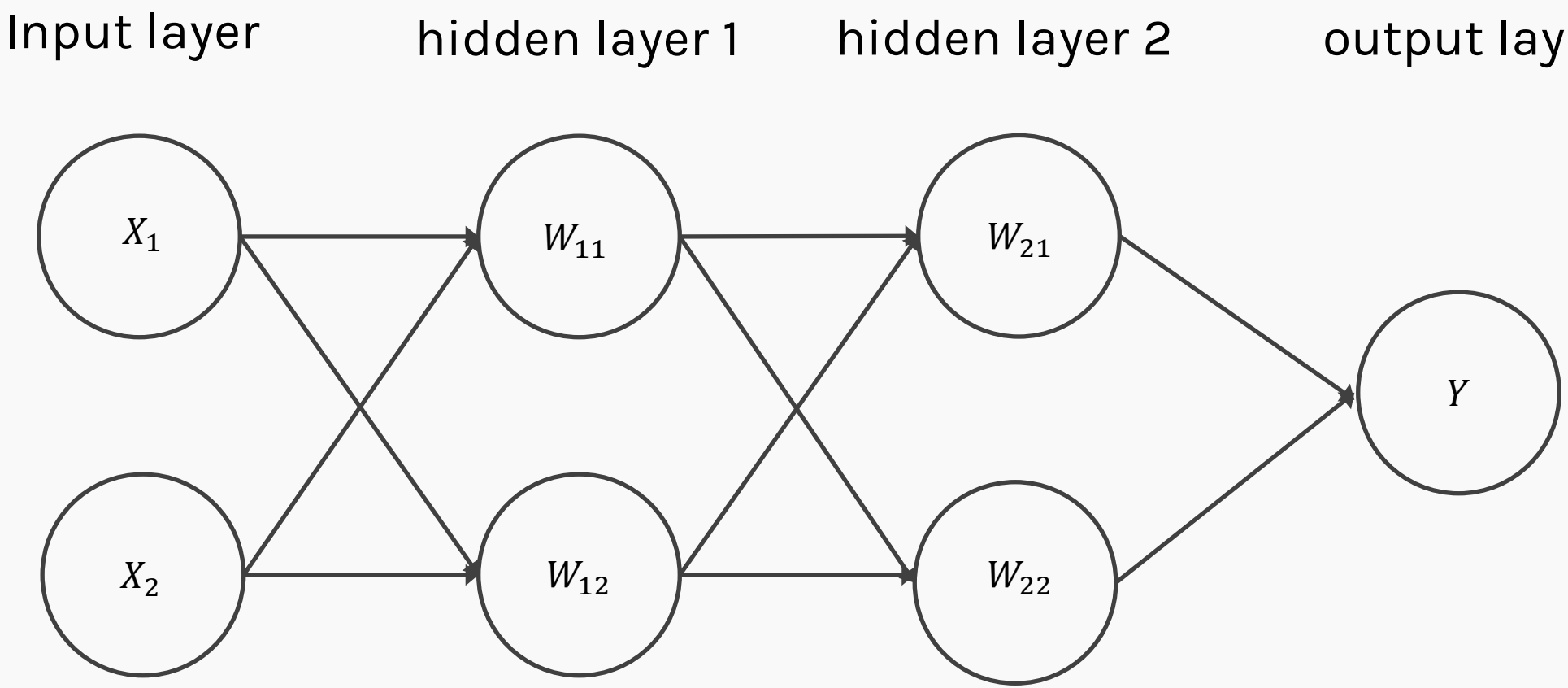

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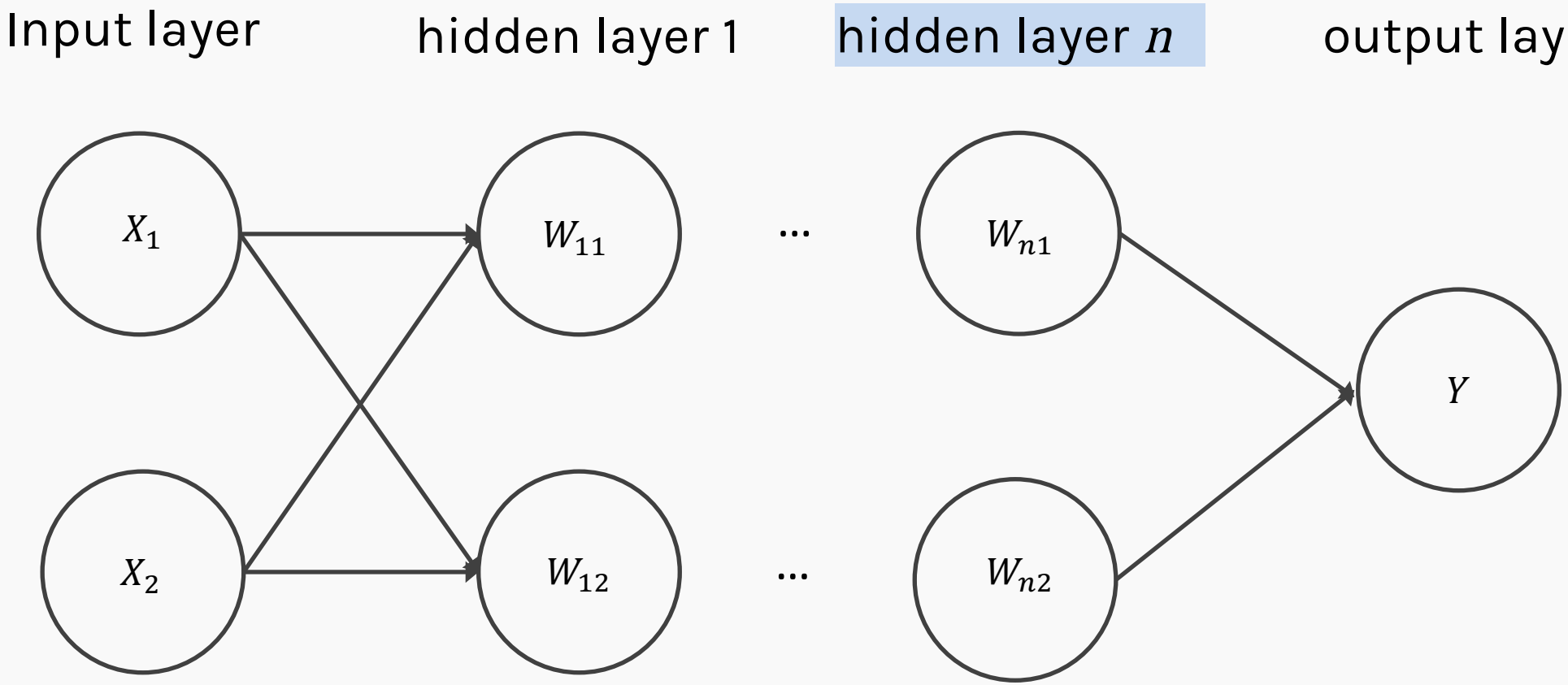

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Input layer

hidden layer 1,
3 nodes

hidden layer n
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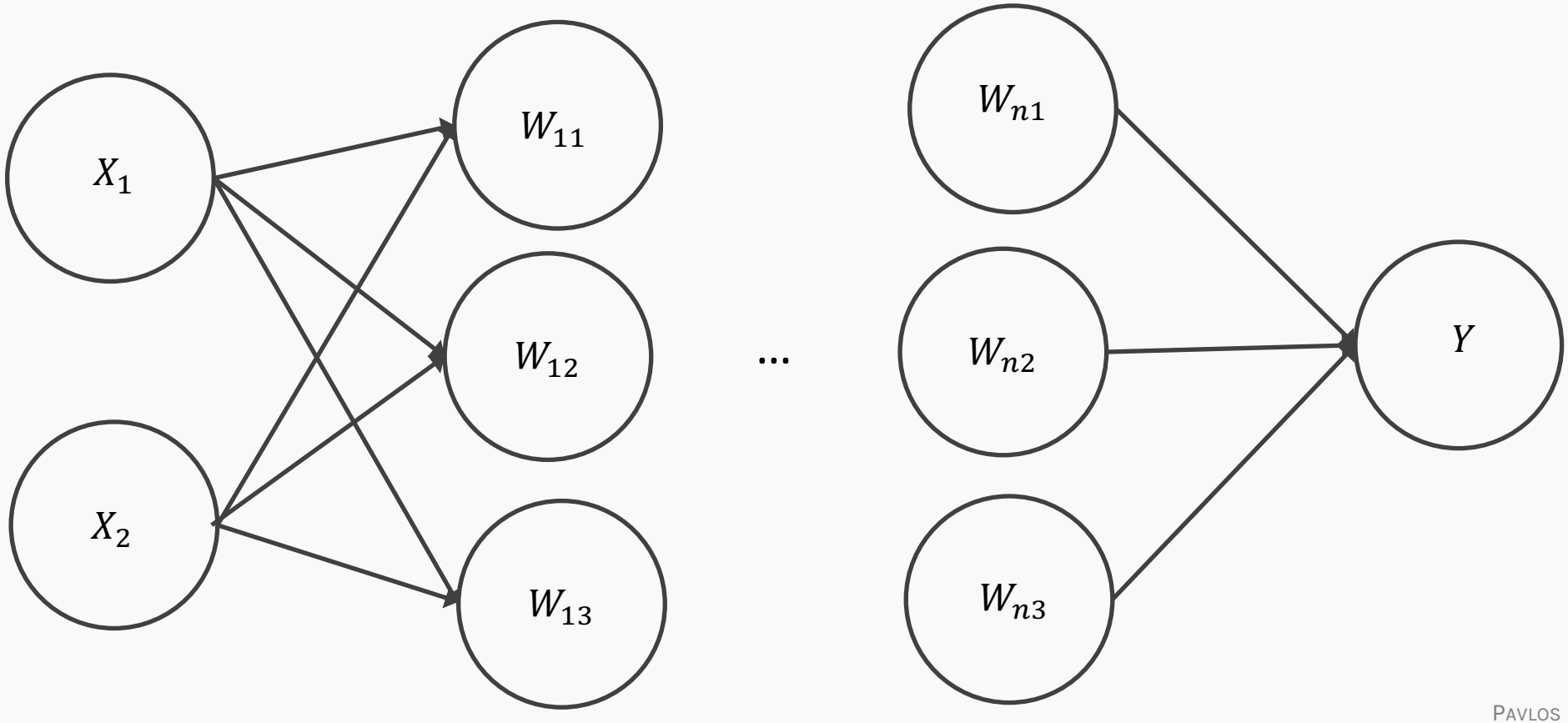
output layer



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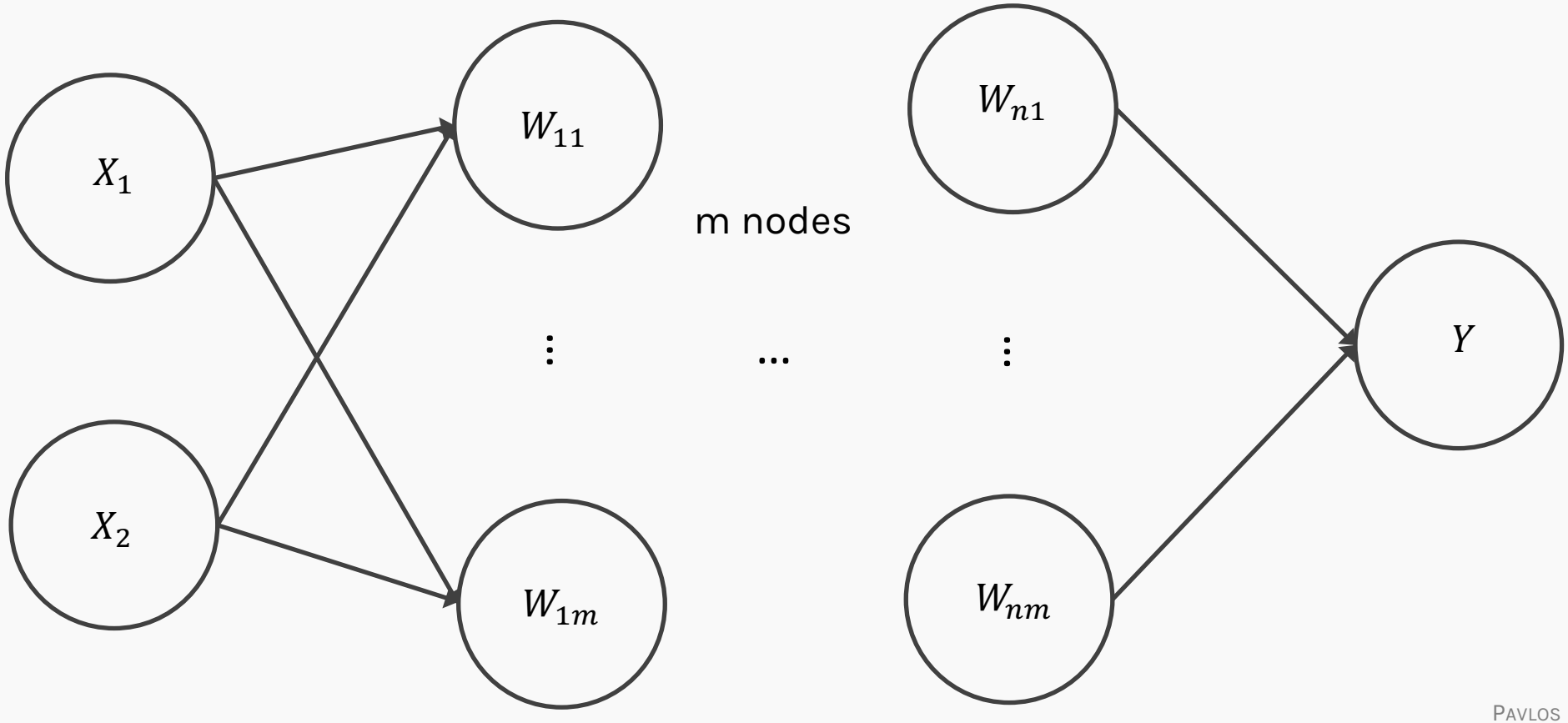

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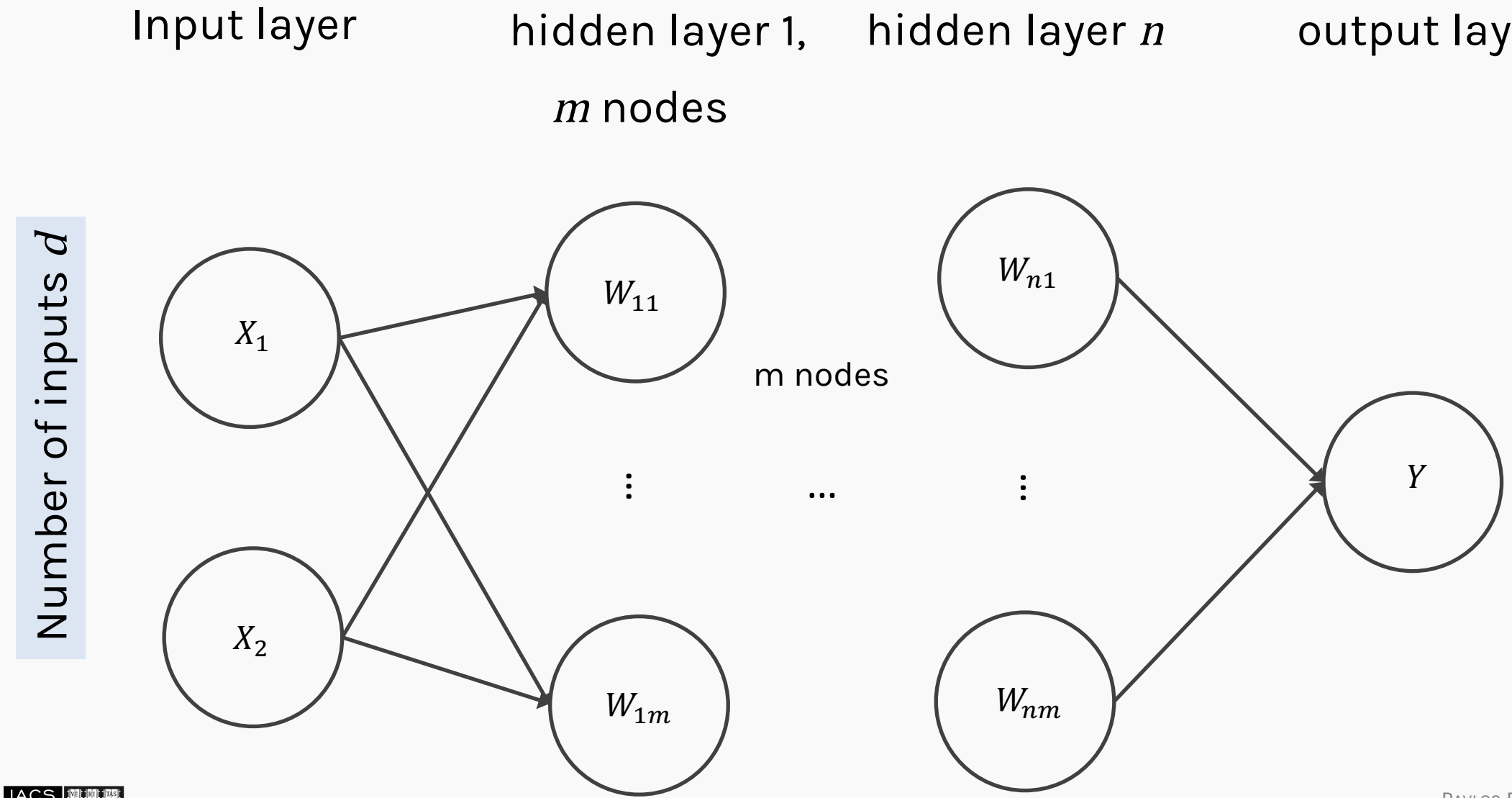
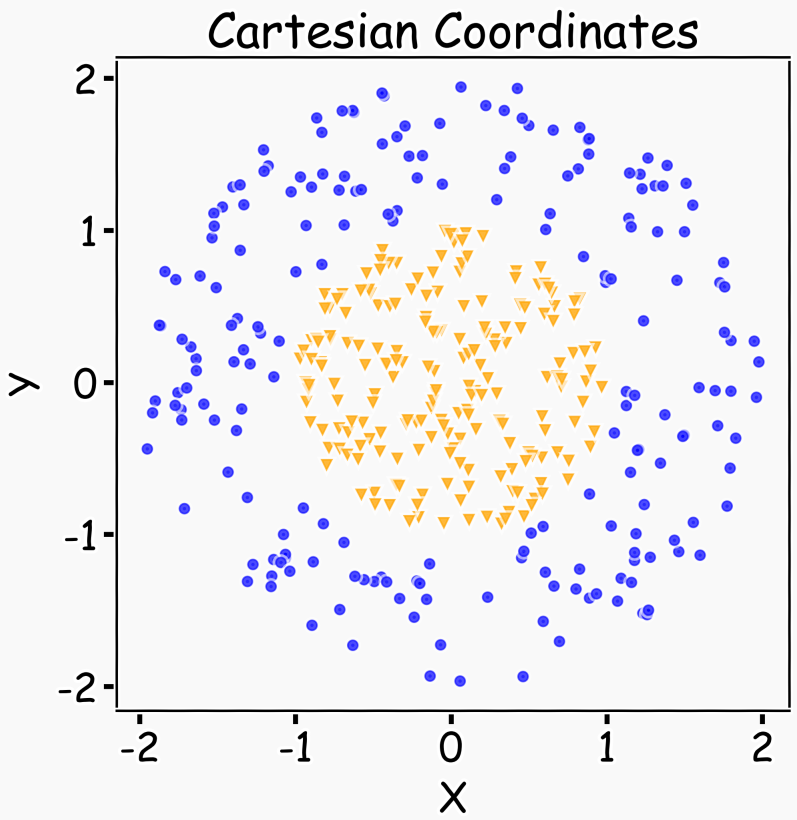
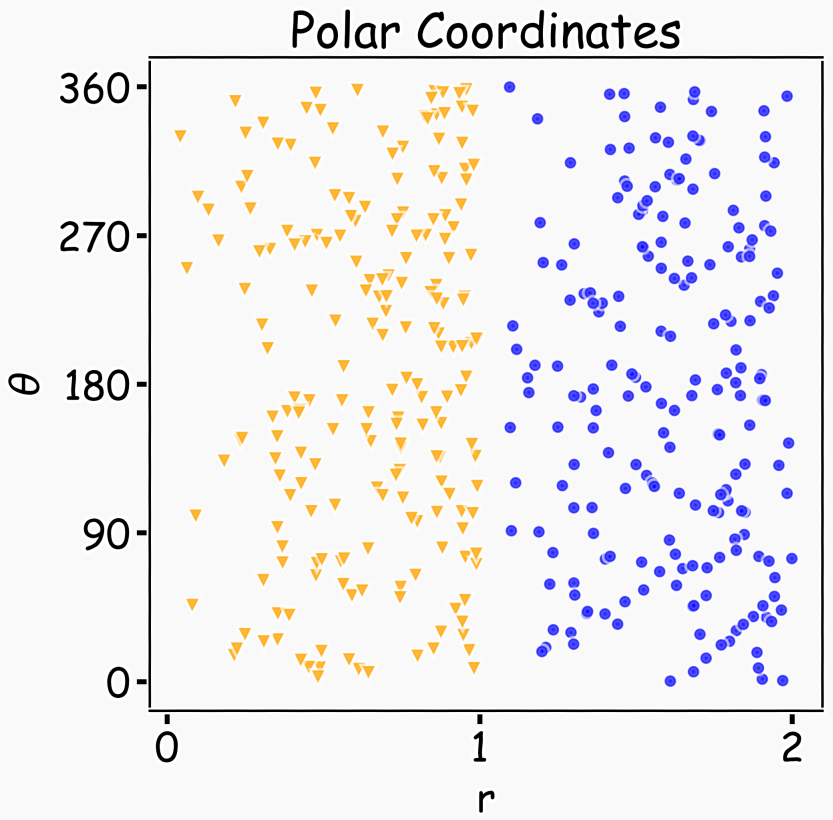


Number of inputs is specified by the data

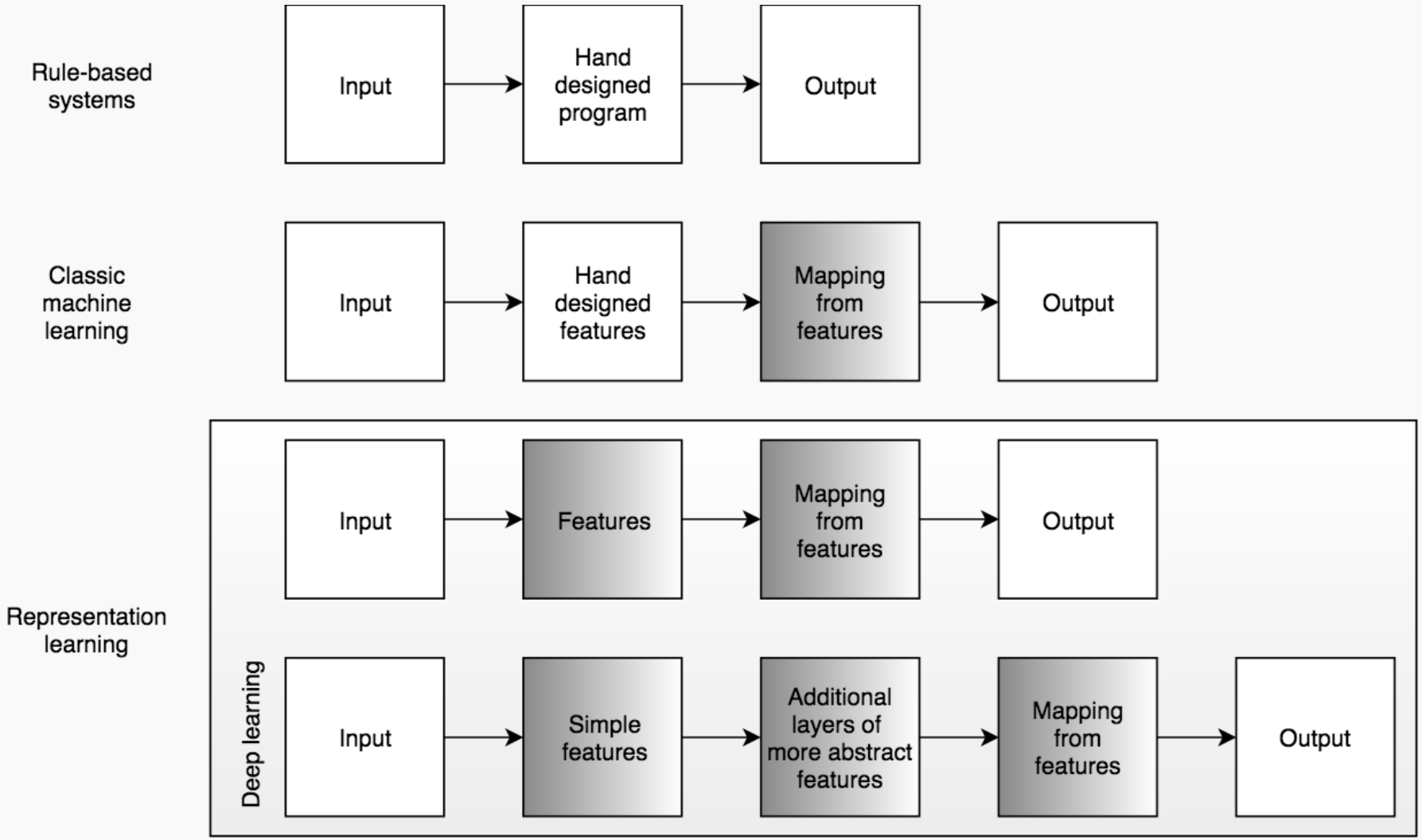
Why layers? Representation

Representation matters!





Learning Multiple Components



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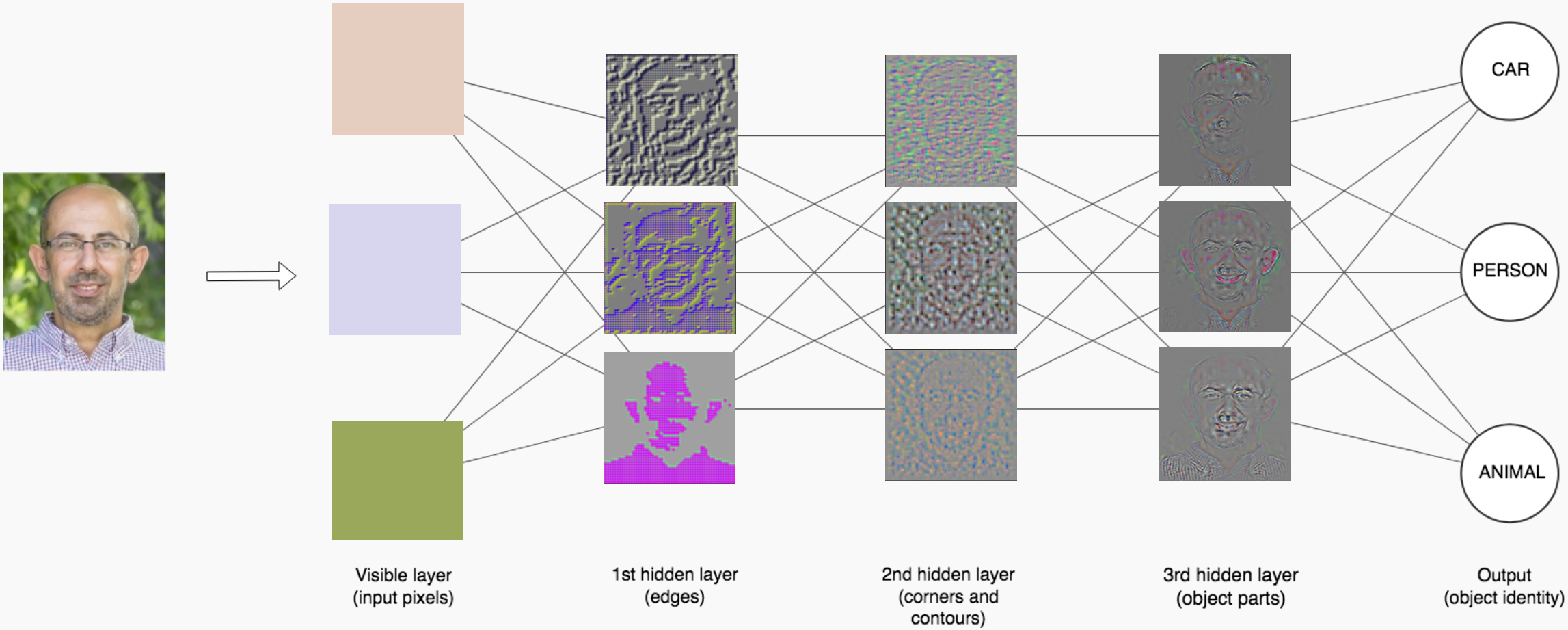

Neural Networks

Hand-written digit recognition: MNIST data

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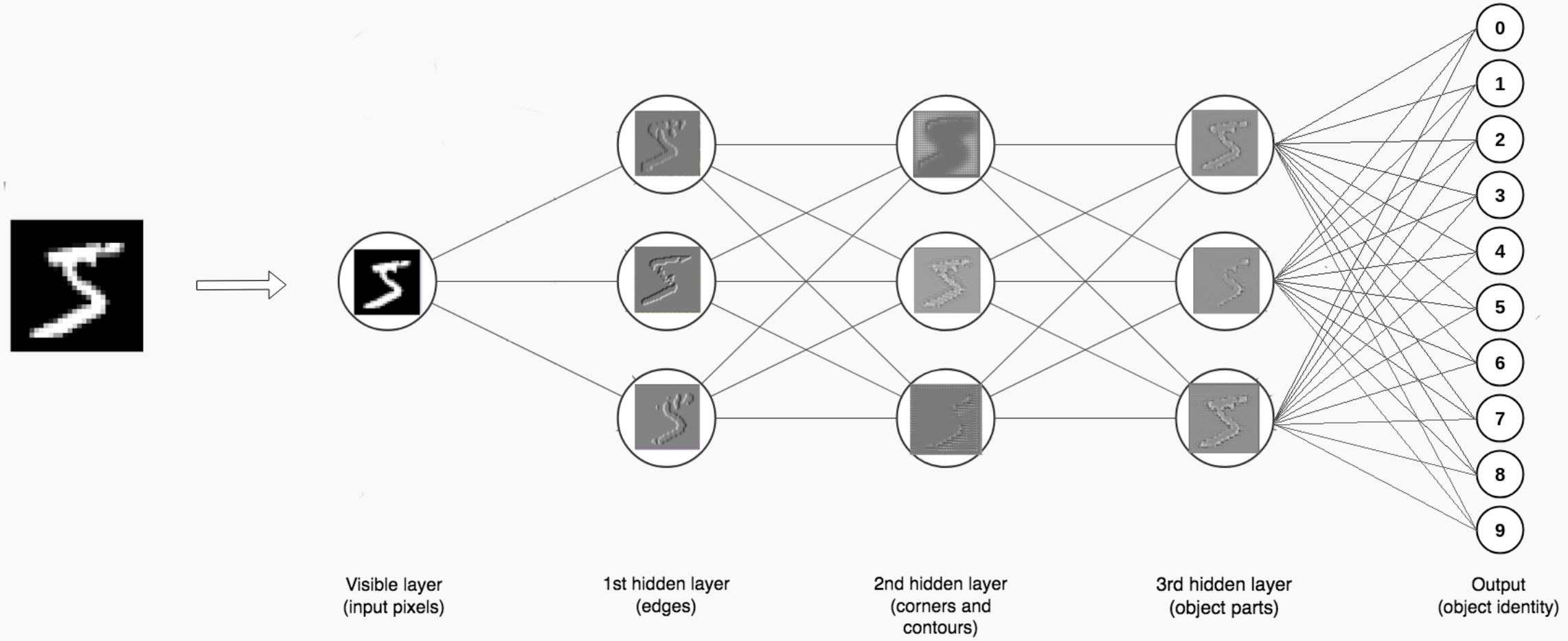


Beyond Linear Models

Linear models:

- Can be fit efficiently (via convex optimization)
- Limited model capacity

Alternative:

$$f(x) = w^T \phi(x)$$

Where ϕ is a *non-linear transform*

Traditional ML

Manually engineer ϕ

- Domain specific, enormous human effort

Generic transform

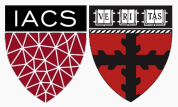
- Maps to a higher-dimensional space
- Kernel methods: e.g. RBF kernels
- Over fitting: does not generalize well to test set
- Cannot encode enough prior information

Deep Learning

- Directly learn ϕ

$$f(x;\theta) = W^T \phi(x;\theta)$$

- $\phi(x;\theta)$ is an automatically-learned **representation** of x
- For **deep networks**, ϕ is the function learned by the **hidden layers** of the network
- θ are the learned weights
- Non-convex optimization
- Can encode prior beliefs, generalizes well



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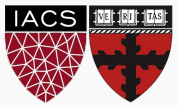

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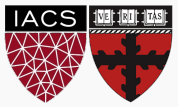

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- Provide non-linearity
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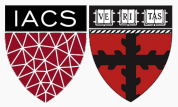

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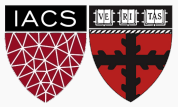

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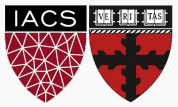
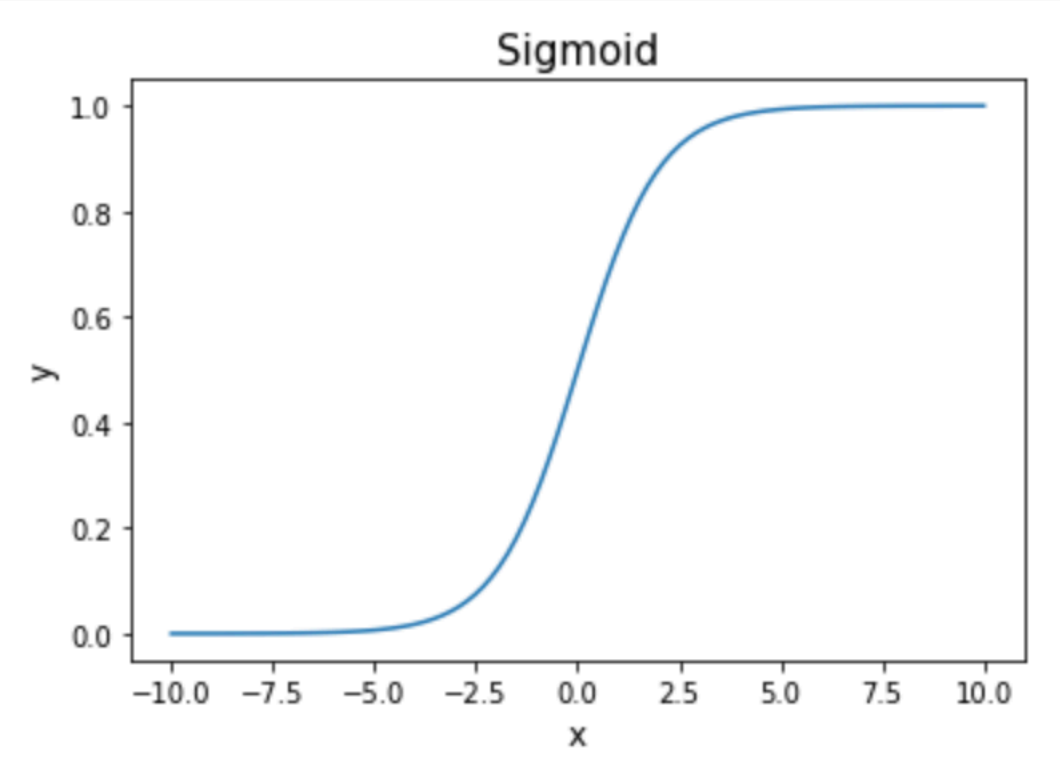
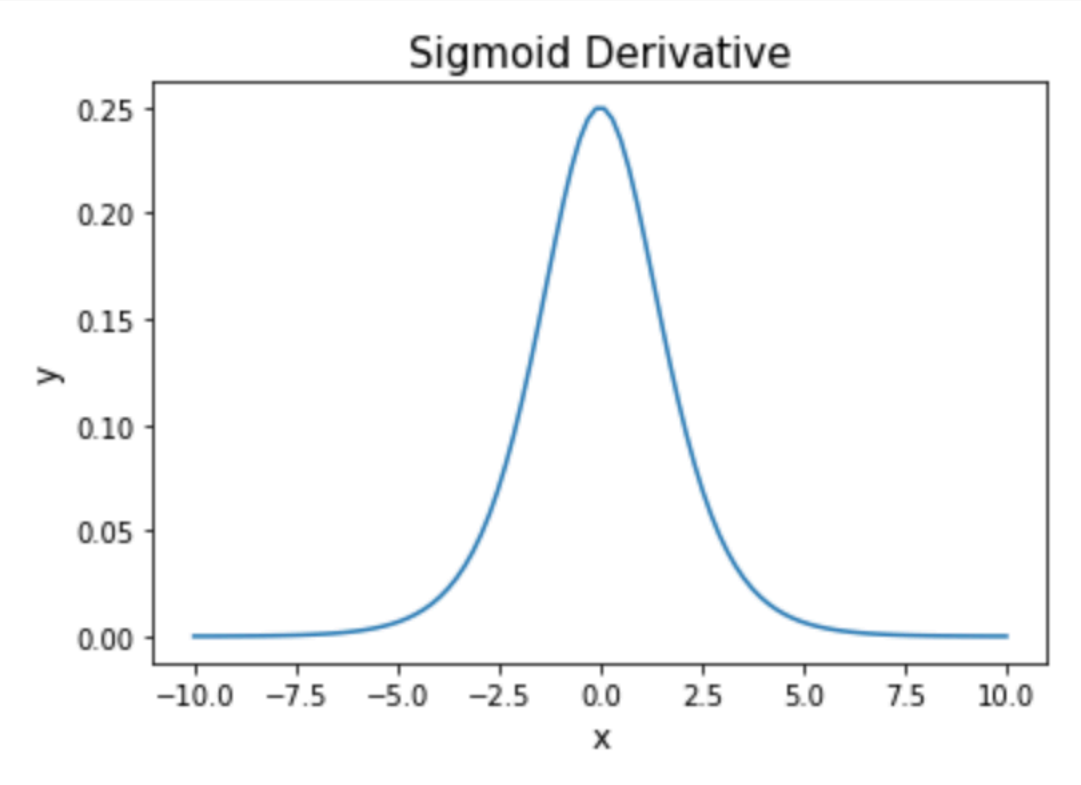


Sigmoid (aka Logistic)

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

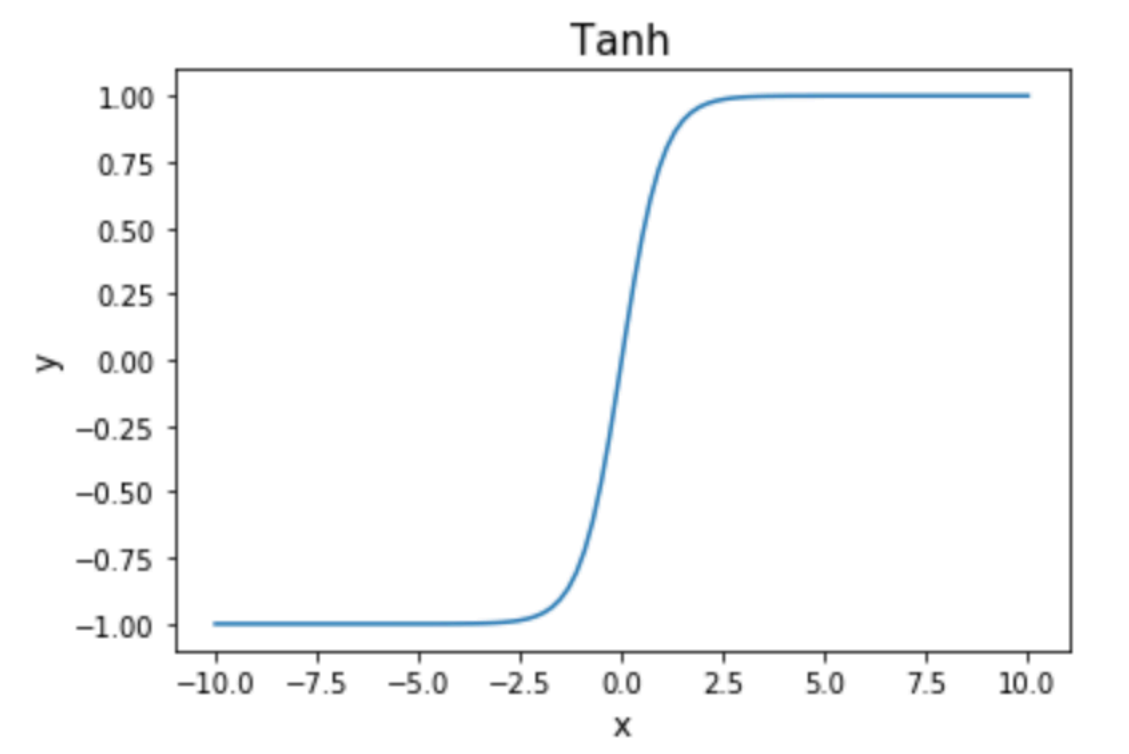


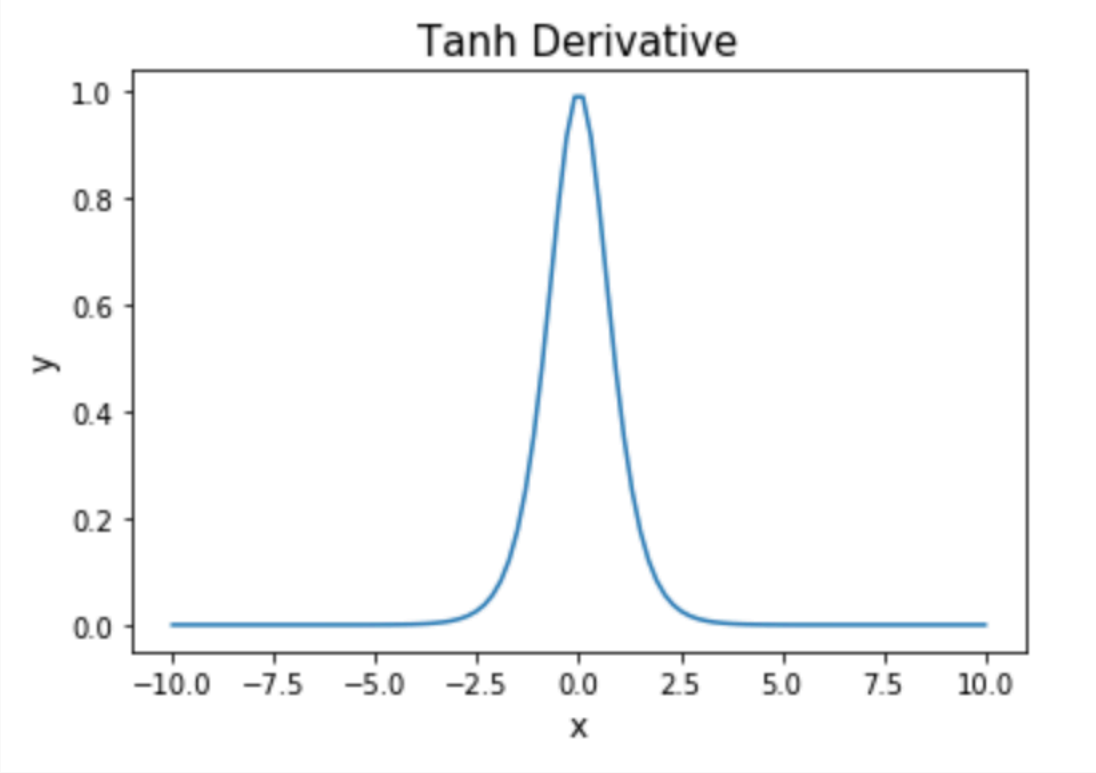


Derivative is **zero** for much of the domain. This leads to "vanishing gradients" in backpropagation.

Hyperbolic Tangent (Tanh)

$$y = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

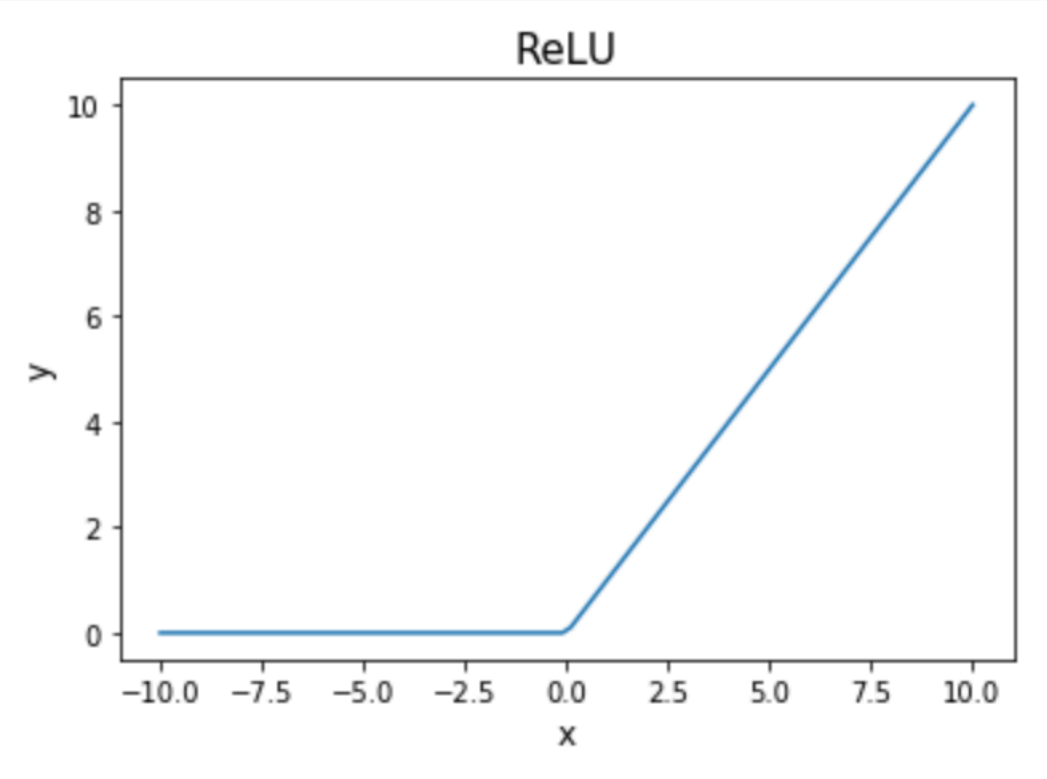


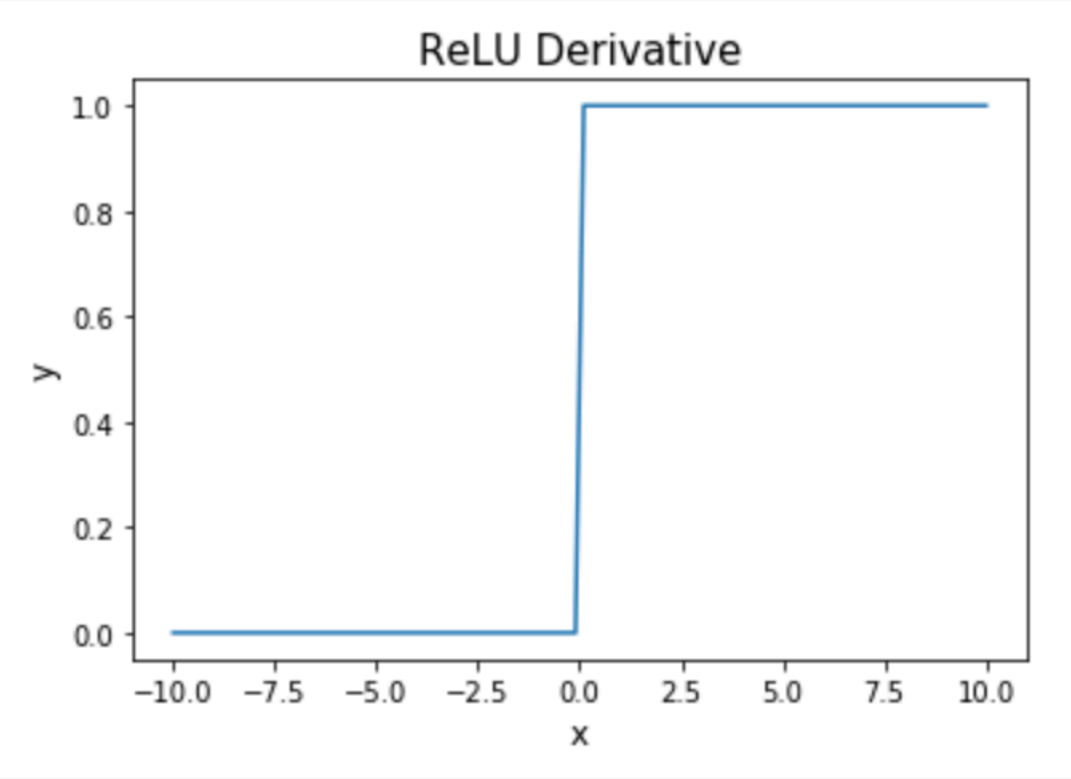


Same problem of “vanishing gradients” as sigmoid.

Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)

$$y = \max(0, x)$$



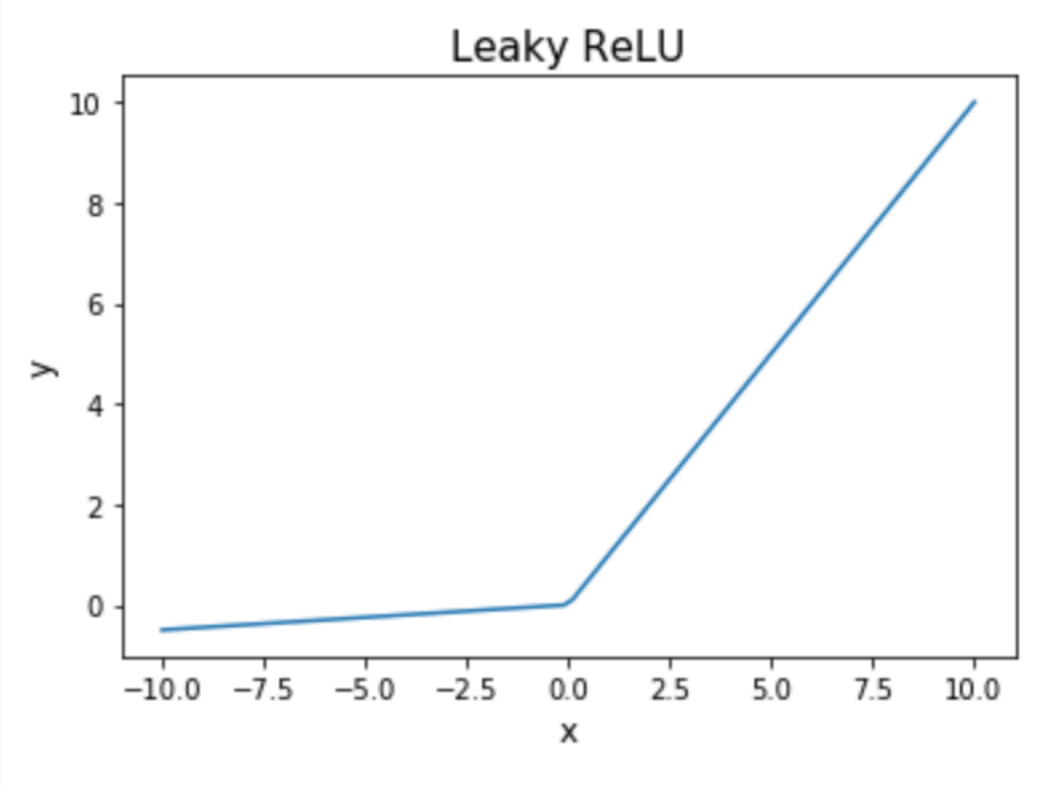


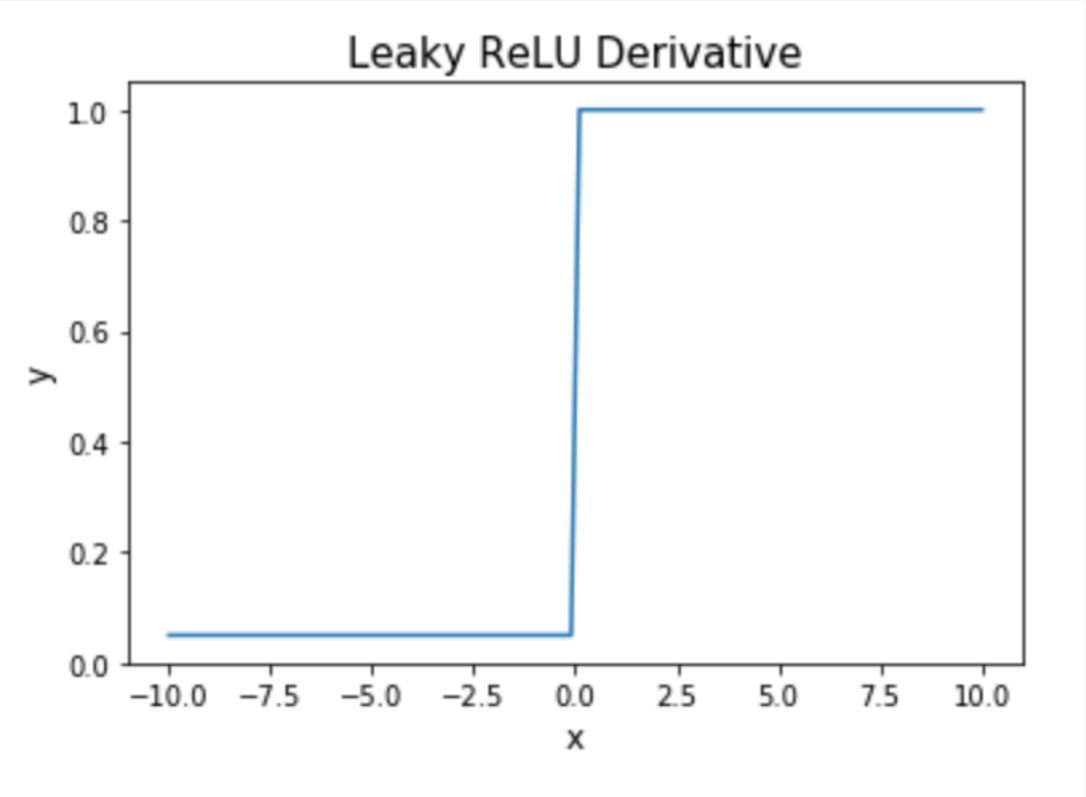
Two major advantages:

1. No vanishing gradient when x > 0
2. Provides sparsity (regularization) since y = 0 when x < 0

Leaky ReLU

$$y = \max(0, x) + \alpha * \min(0, x)$$
Where α is a small constant (negative slope)



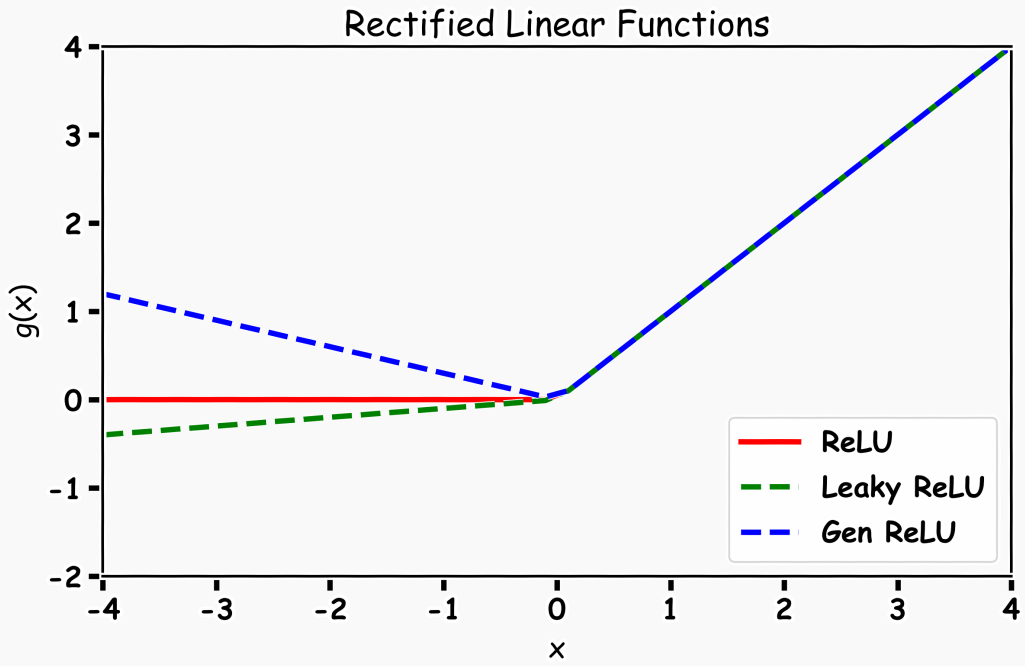


- Tries to fix “dying ReLU” problem: derivative is non-zero everywhere.
- Some people report success with this form of activation function, but the results are not always consistent

Generalized ReLU

Generalization: For $\alpha_i > 0$

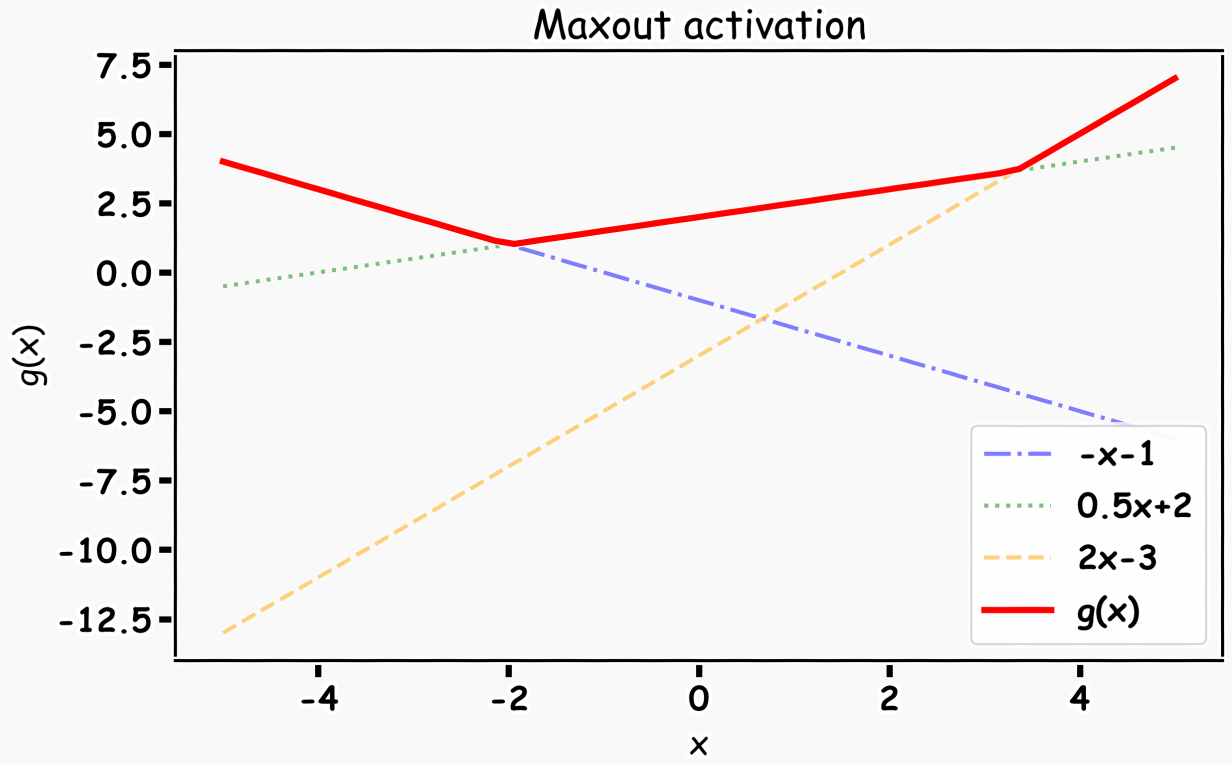
$$g(x_i, \alpha) = \max\{a, x_i\} + \alpha \min\{0, x_i\}$$



Maxout

Max of k linear functions. Directly learn the activation function.

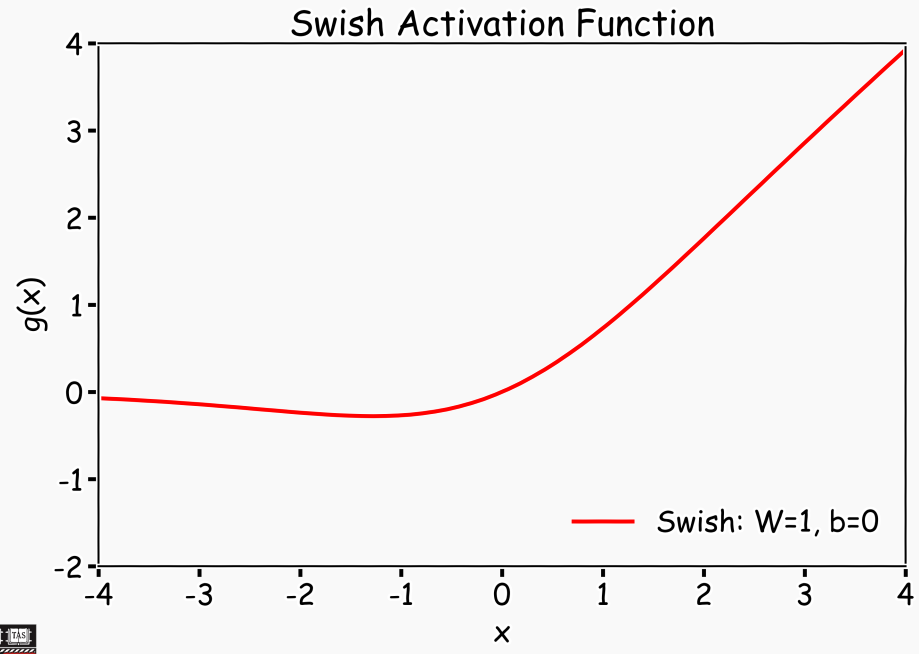
$$g(x) = \max_{i \in \{1,\ldots,k\}} \alpha_i x_i + \beta$$

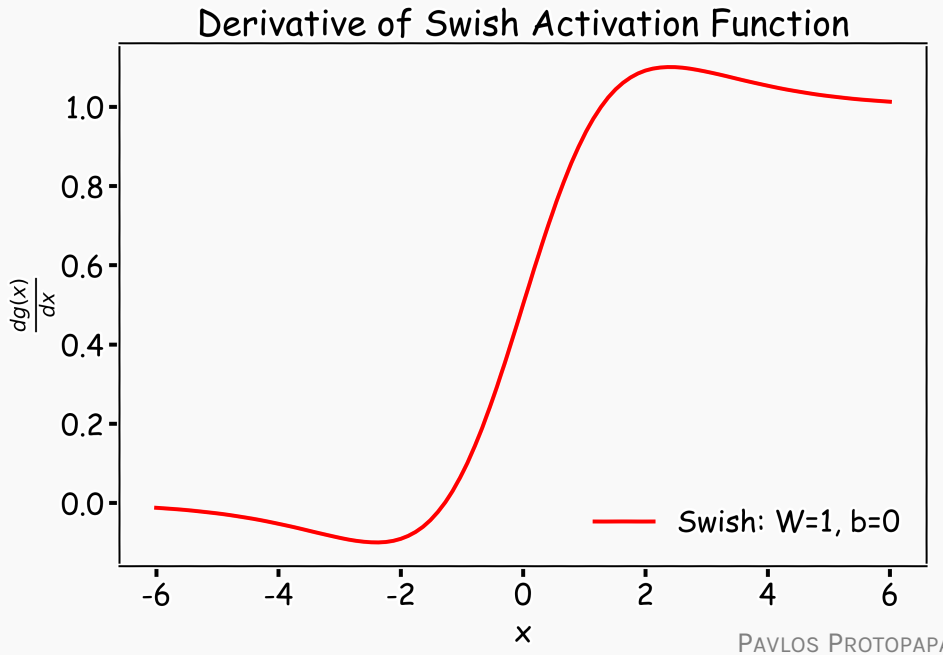


Swish: A Self-Gated Activation Function

Currently, the most successful and widely-used activation function is the ReLU. Swish tends to work better than ReLU on deeper models across a number of challenging datasets.

$$g(x) = x\,\sigma(x)$$





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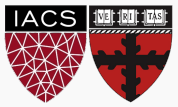


Loss Function

Cross-entropy between training data and model distribution (i.e. negative log-likelihood)

$$J(W) = -\mathbb{E}_{x,y\sim\hat{p}_{\text{data}}} \log p_{\text{model}}(\text{y}|\text{x})$$

Do not need to design separate loss functions.

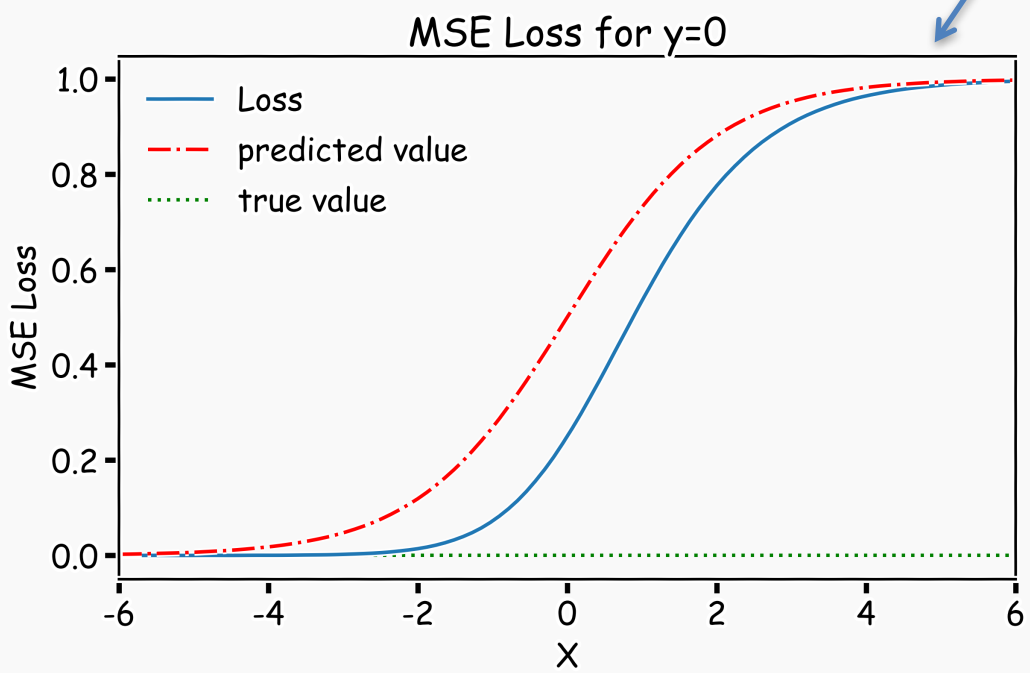
Gradient of cost function must be large enough

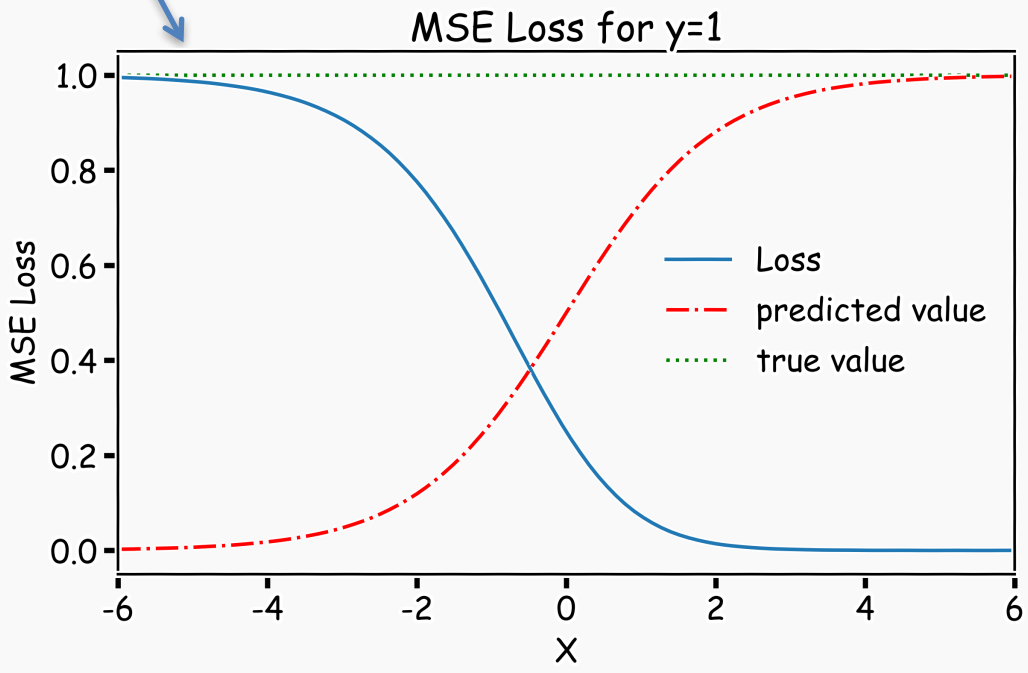
Loss Function

Example: sigmoid output + squared loss

$$L_{sq} = (y - \hat{y})^2 = \big(y - \sigma(x)\big)^2$$

Flat surfaces

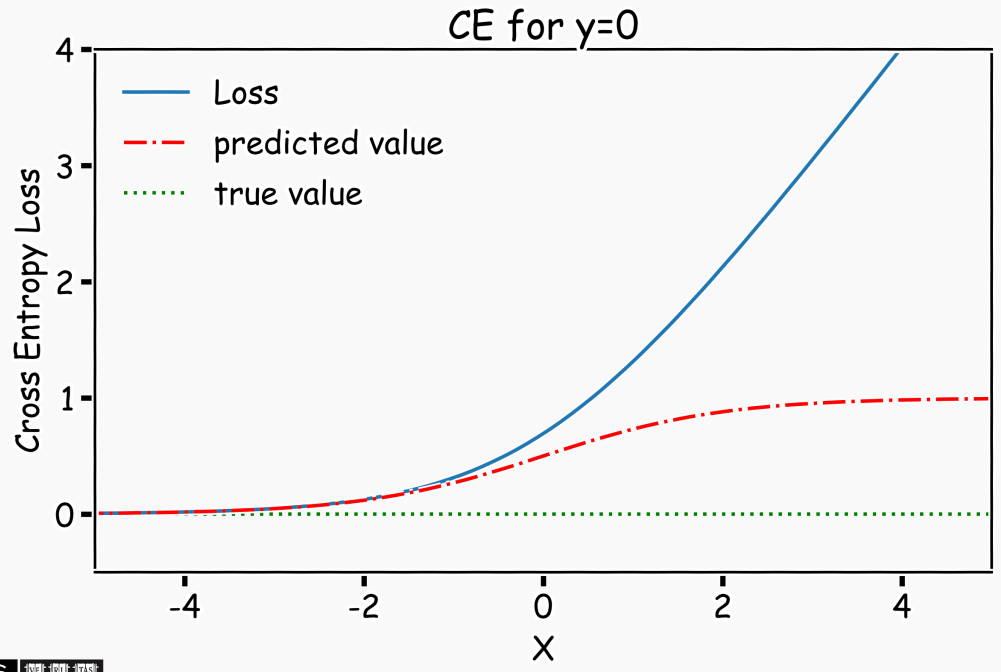


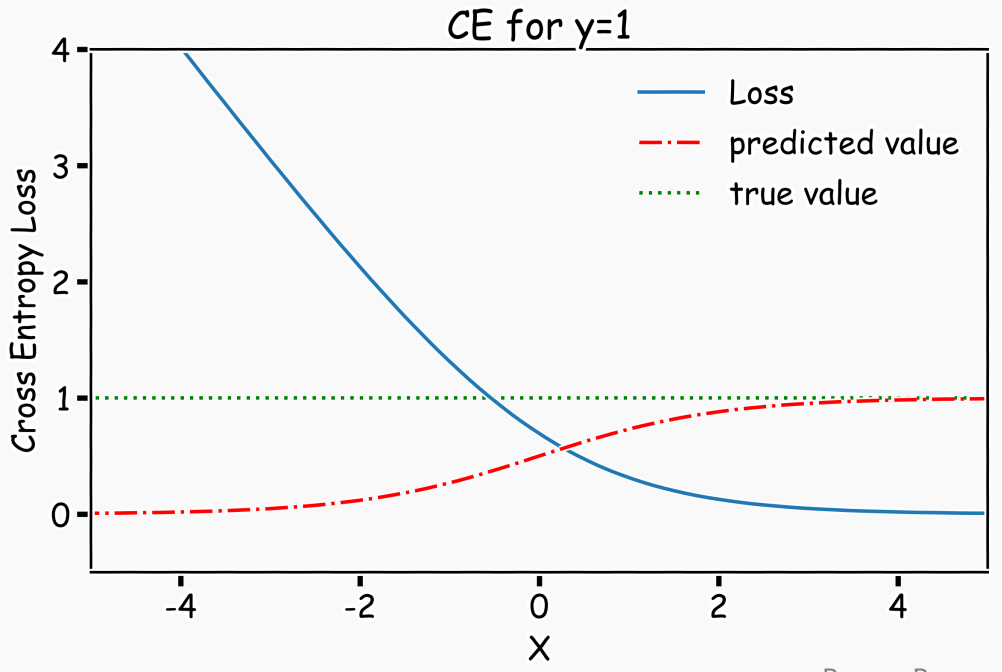


Cost Function

Example: sigmoid output + cross-entropy loss

$$L_{ce}(y, \hat{y}) = -\{\, y \log \hat{y} + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{y}) \}$$





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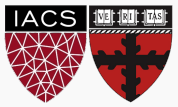
Optimizer



Output Units

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Binary			

Link function

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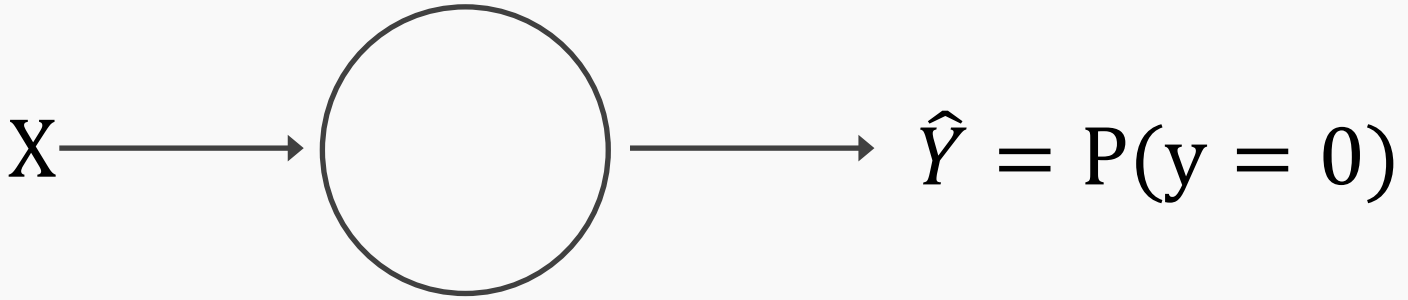

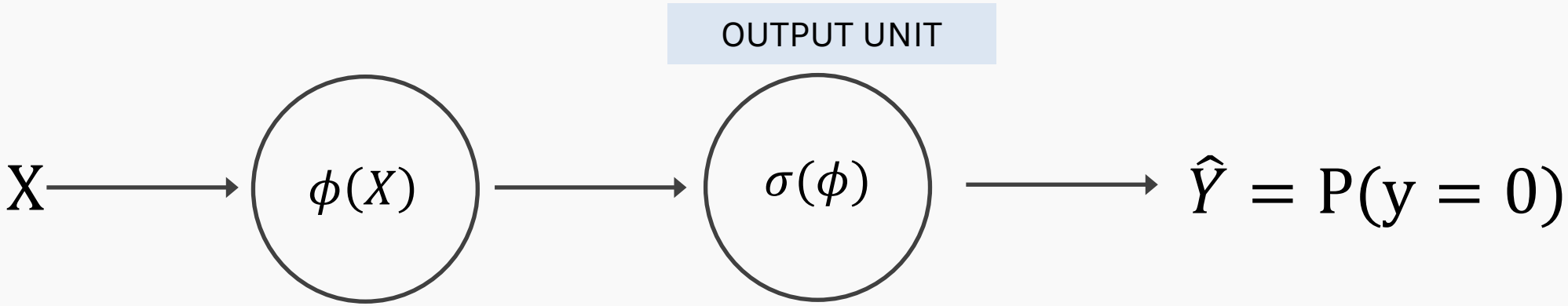

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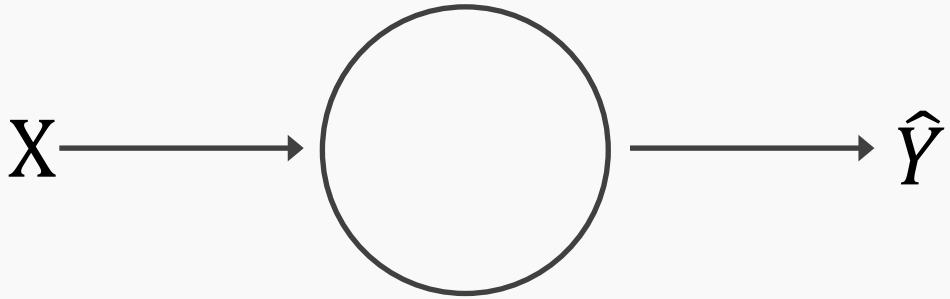
Discrete			

Link function multi-class problem



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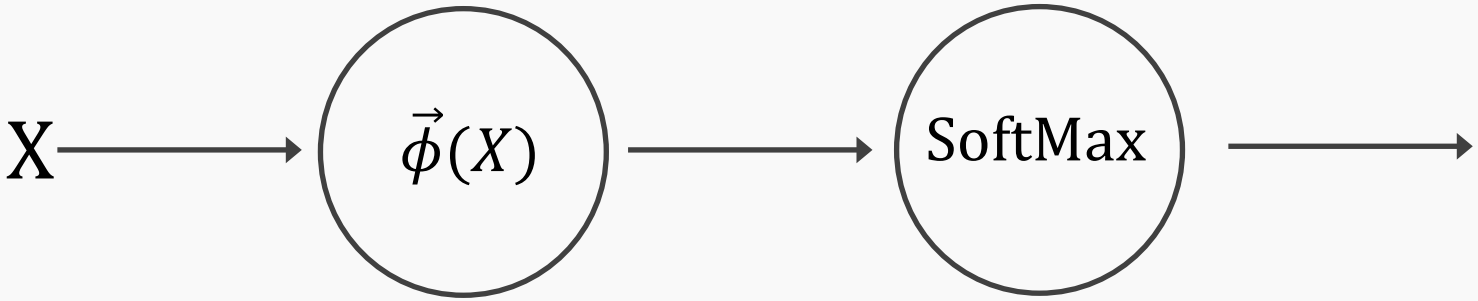

$$\hat{Y} = \frac{e^{\phi_k(X)}}{\sum_{k=1}^{K} e^{\phi_k(X)}}$$

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Design Choices

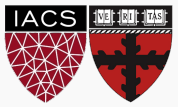
Activation function

Loss function

Output units

Architecture

Optimizer



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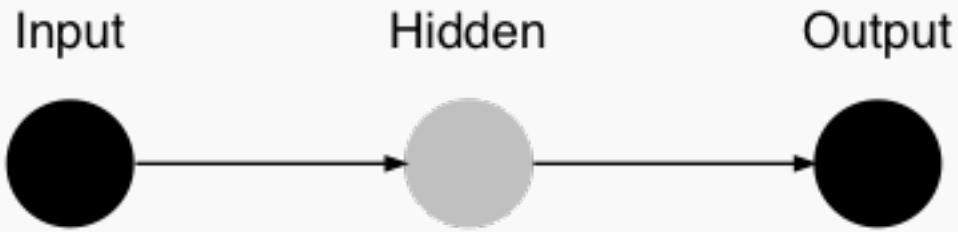

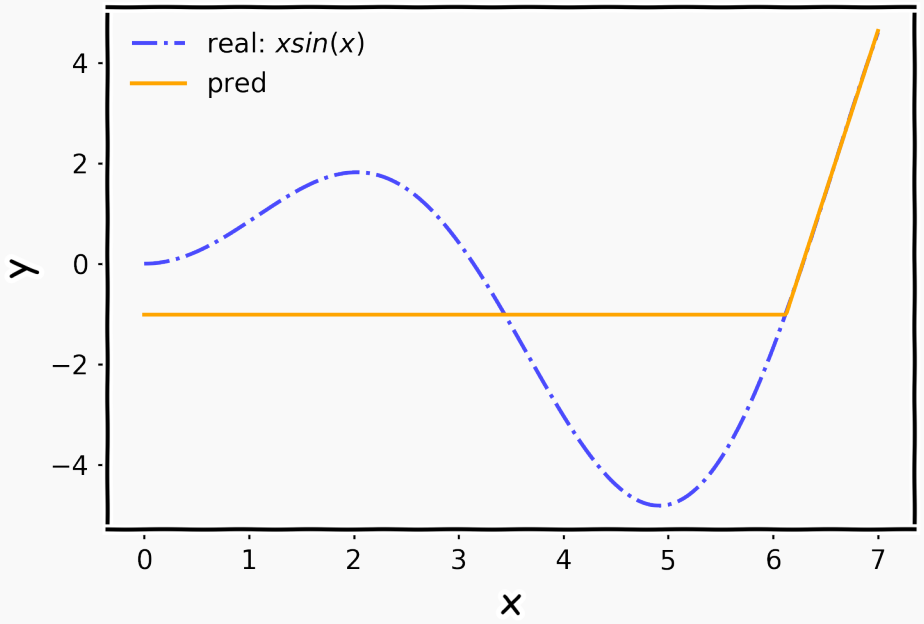

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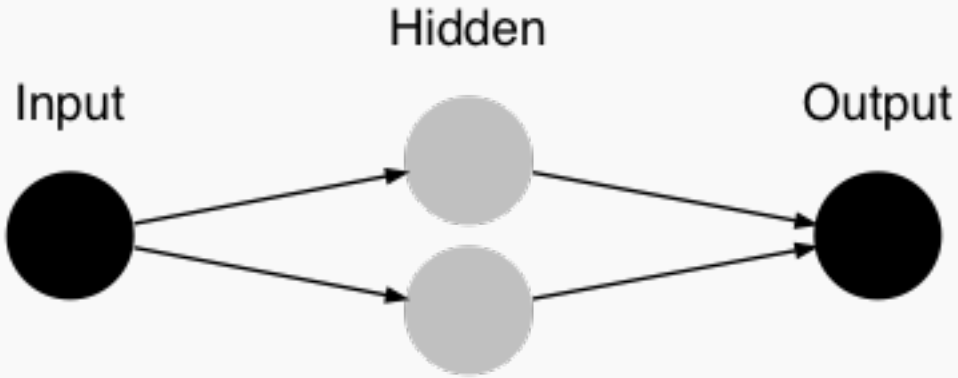

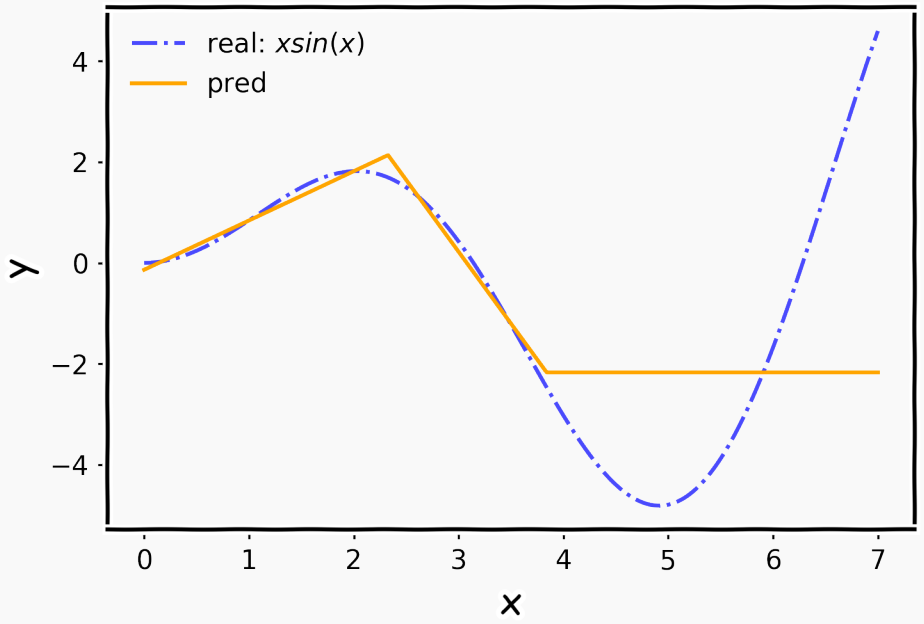

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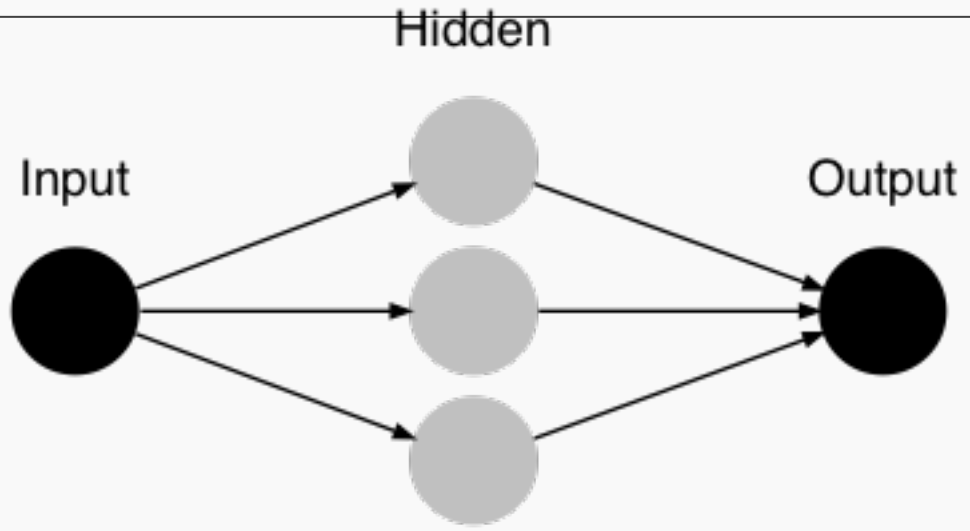

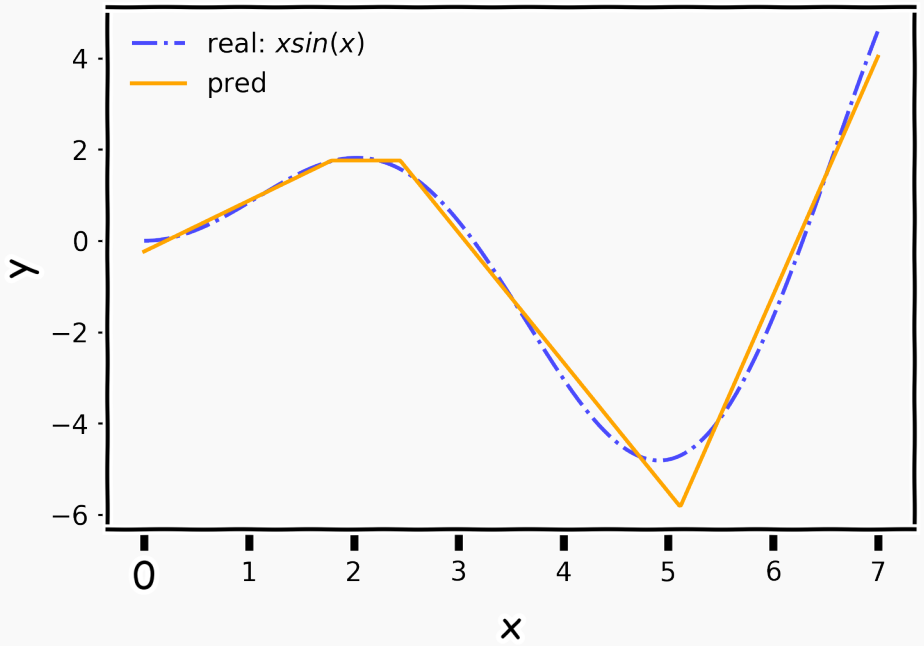

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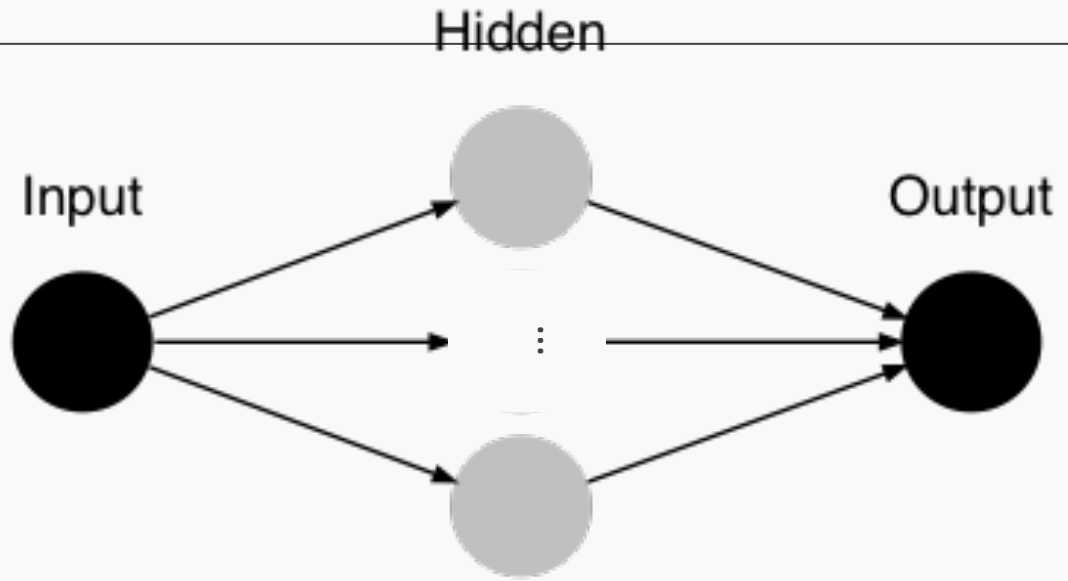

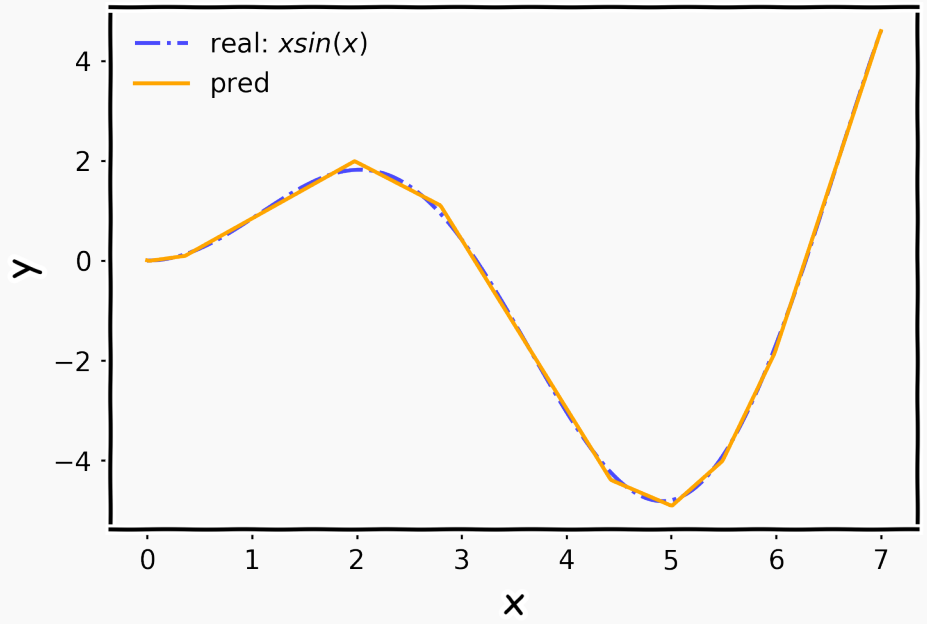

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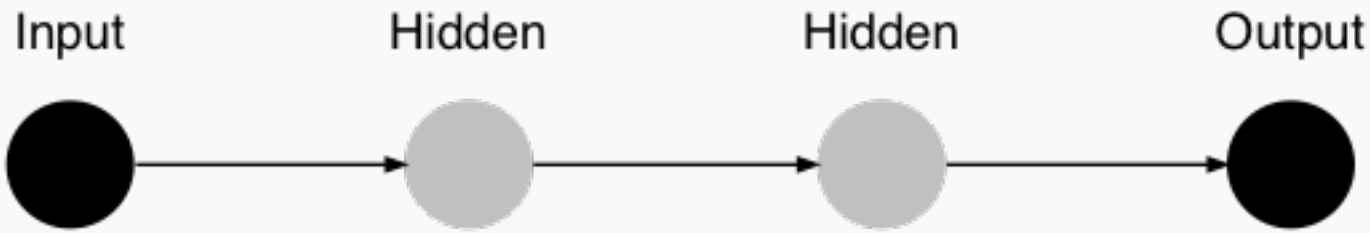
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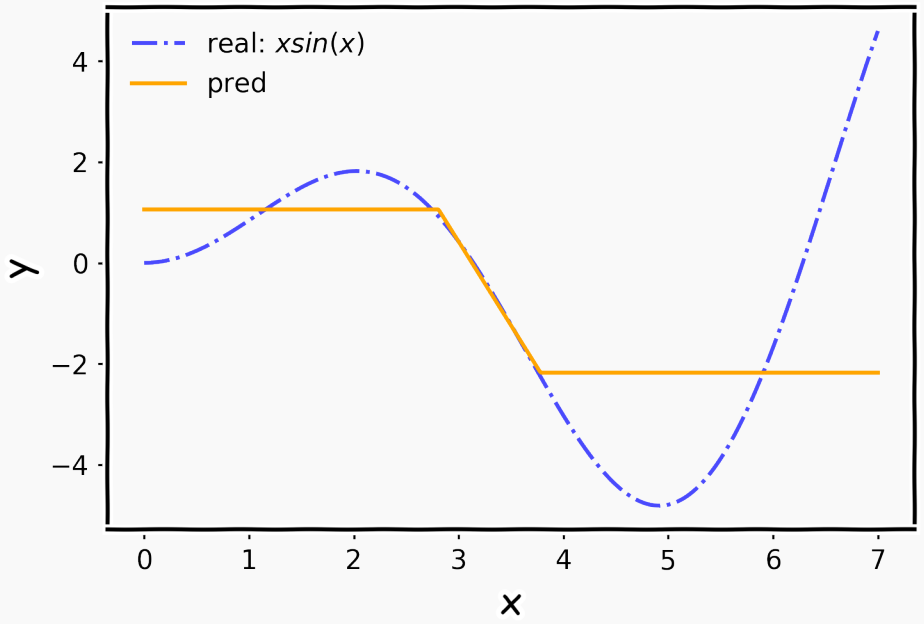
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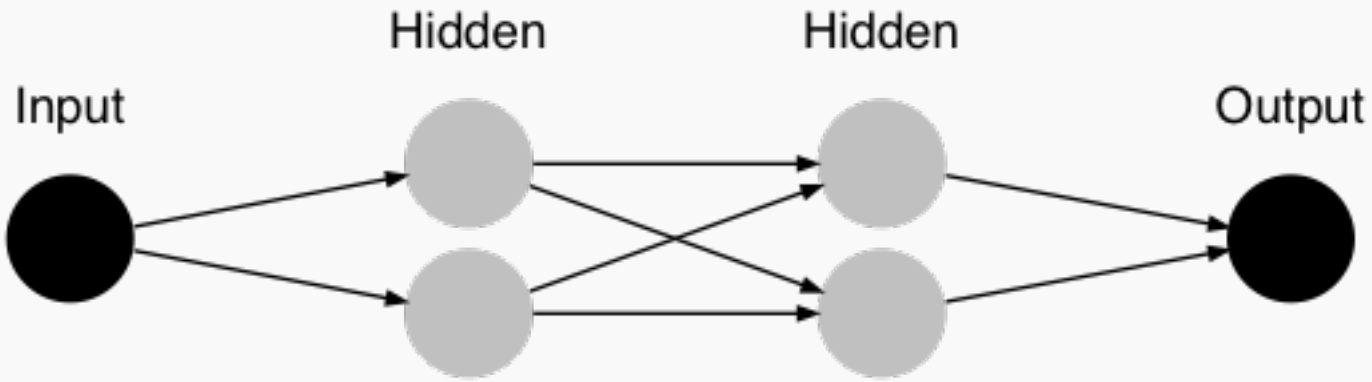
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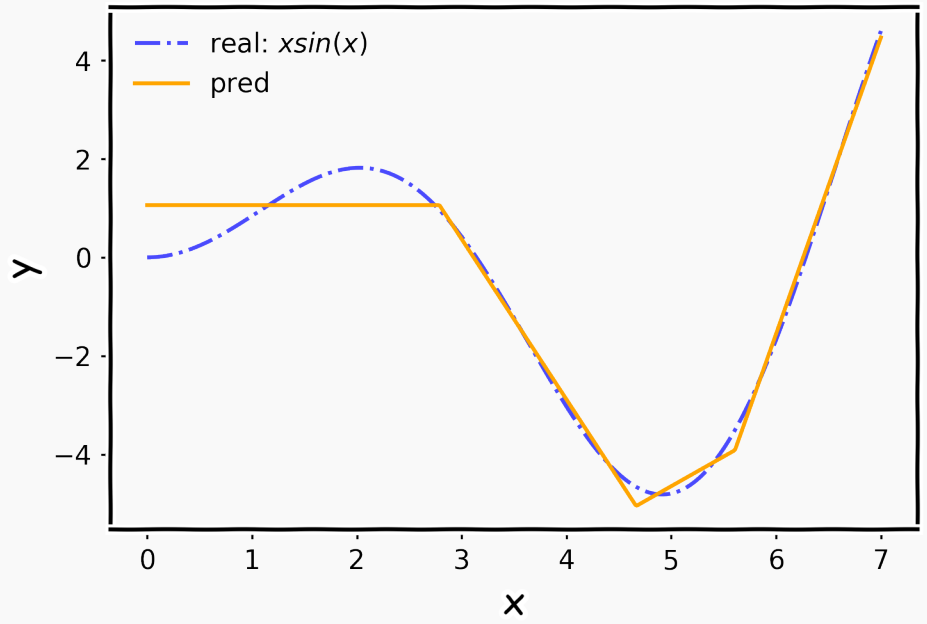
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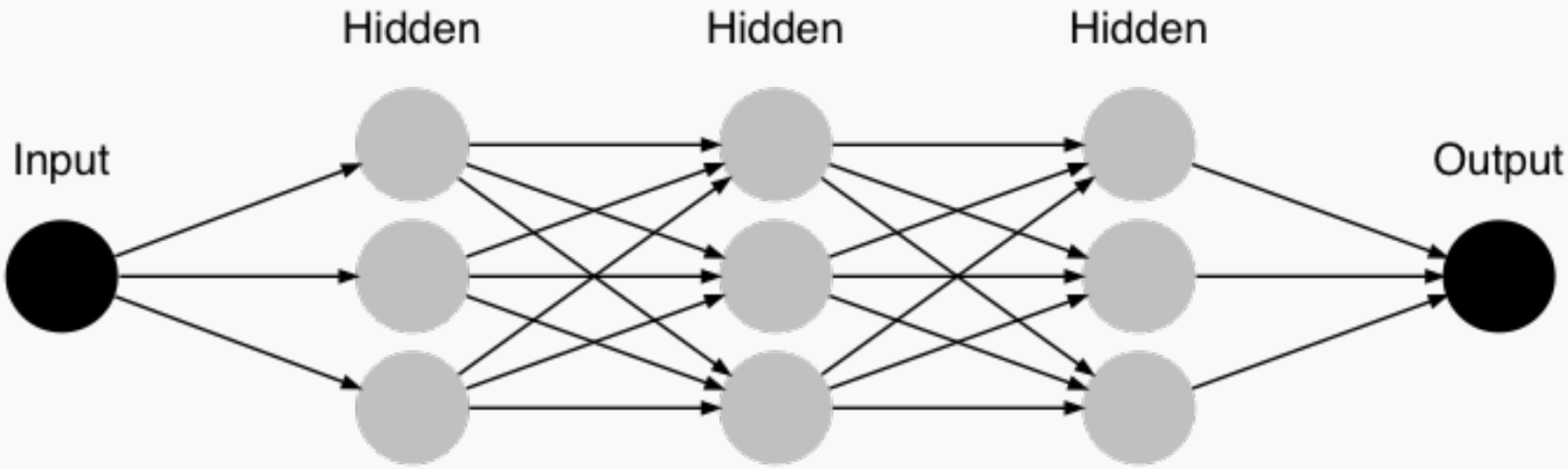
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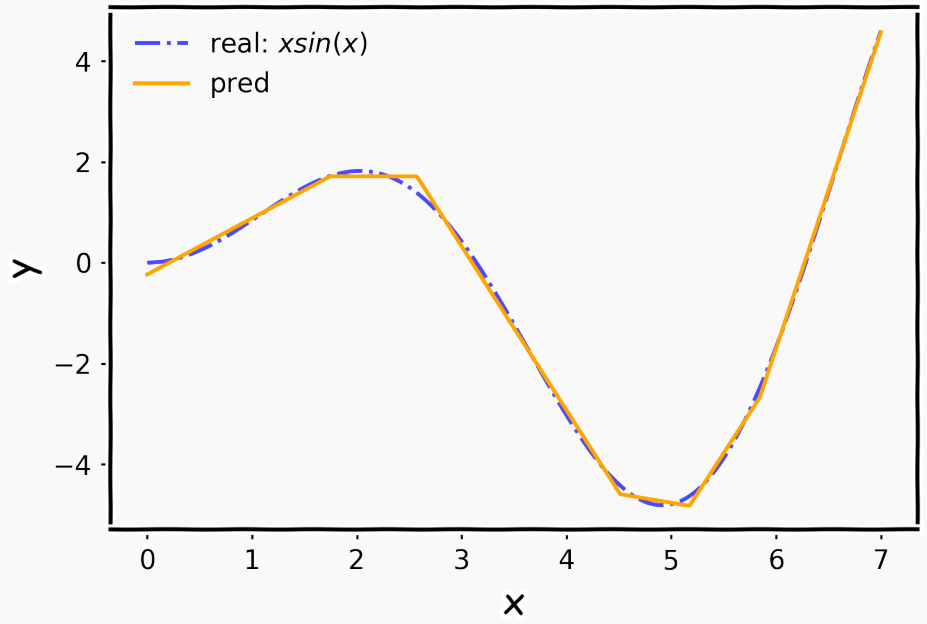
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Universal Approximation Theorem

Think of a Neural Network as function approximation.

$$Y = f(x) + \epsilon$$

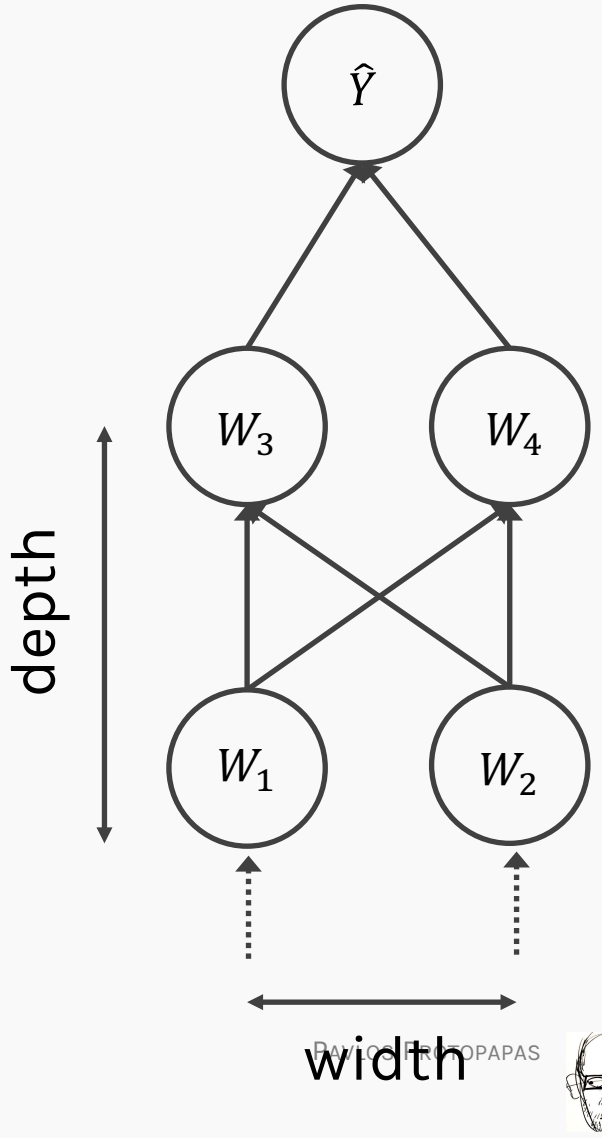
$$Y = \hat{f}(x) + \epsilon$$

$$\text{NN:} \Longrightarrow \hat{f}(x)$$

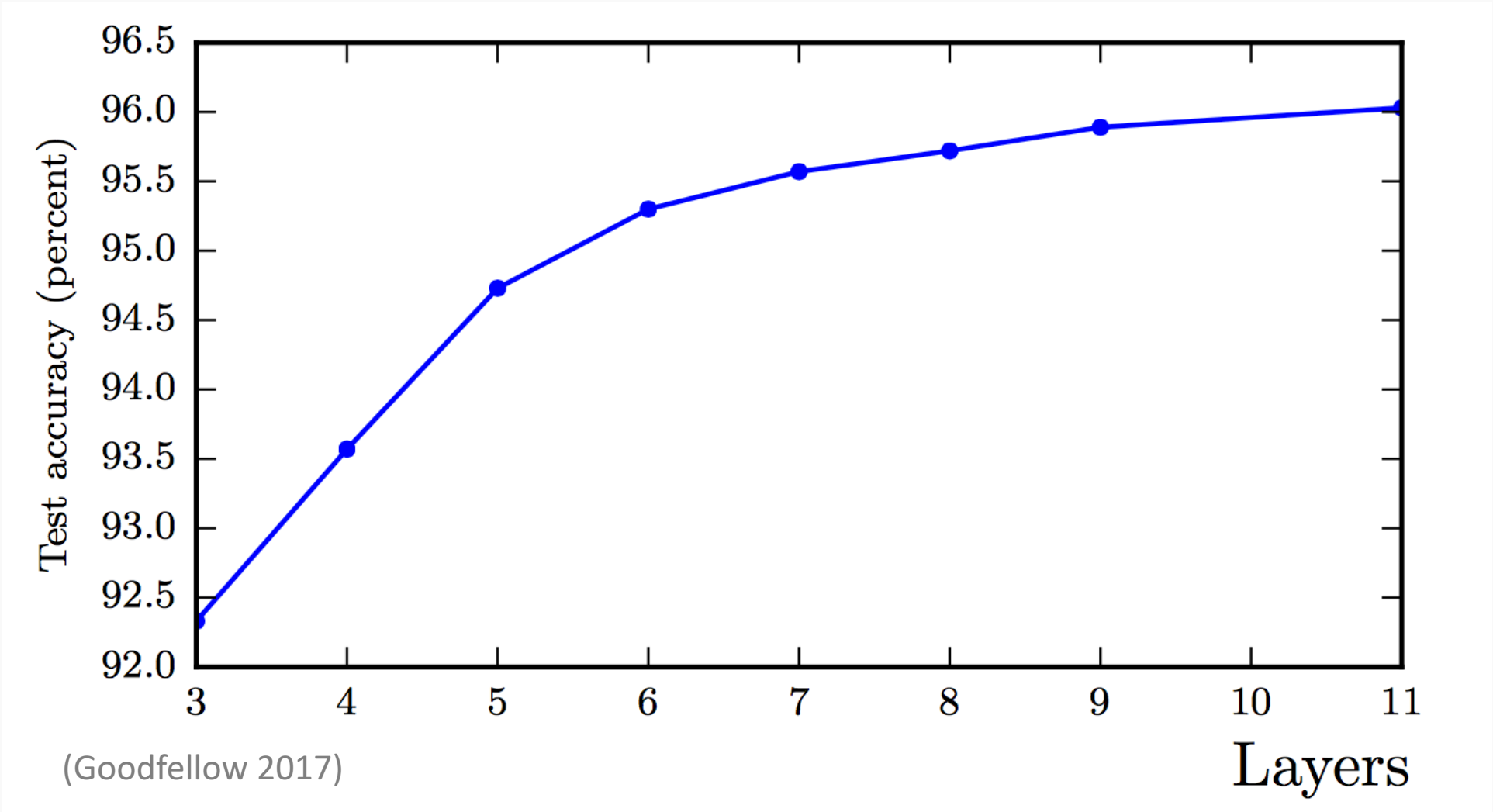
One hidden layer is enough to *represent* an approximation of any function to an arbitrary degree of accuracy

So why deeper?

- Shallow net may need (exponentially) more width
- Shallow net may overfit more



Better Generalization with Depth



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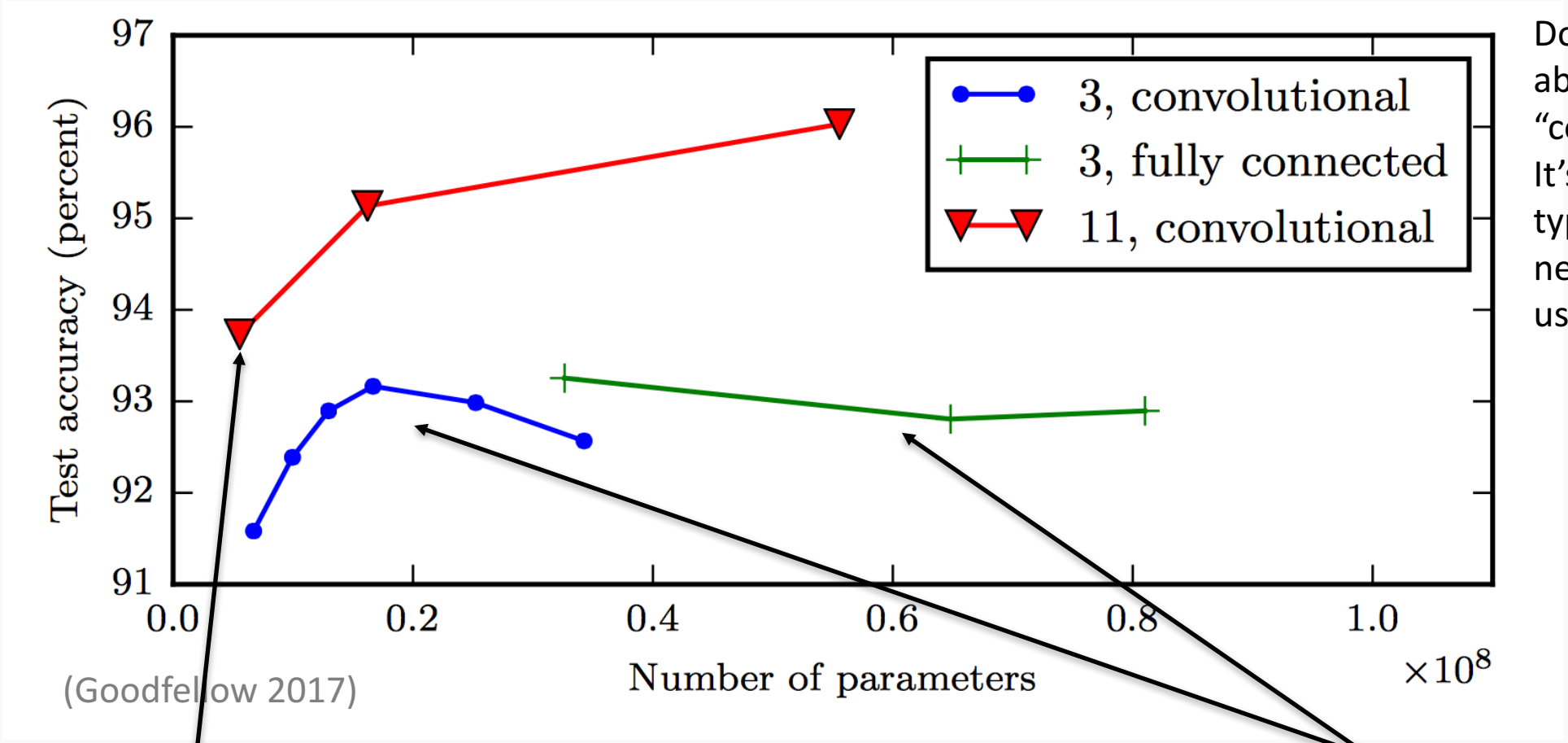
Shallow Nets Overfit More

Depth helps, and it's not just because of more parameters



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Don't worry about this word "convolutional". It's just a special type of neural network, often used for images.

The **11-layer net** generalizes better on the test set when controlling for number of parameters.

The 3-layer nets perform worse on the test set, even with similar number of total parameters.