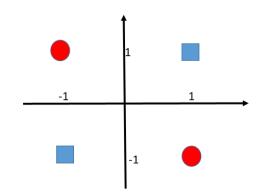
Deep Neural Network (DNN) - computational graph and automatic differentiation

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We have learned those Models for classification and regression

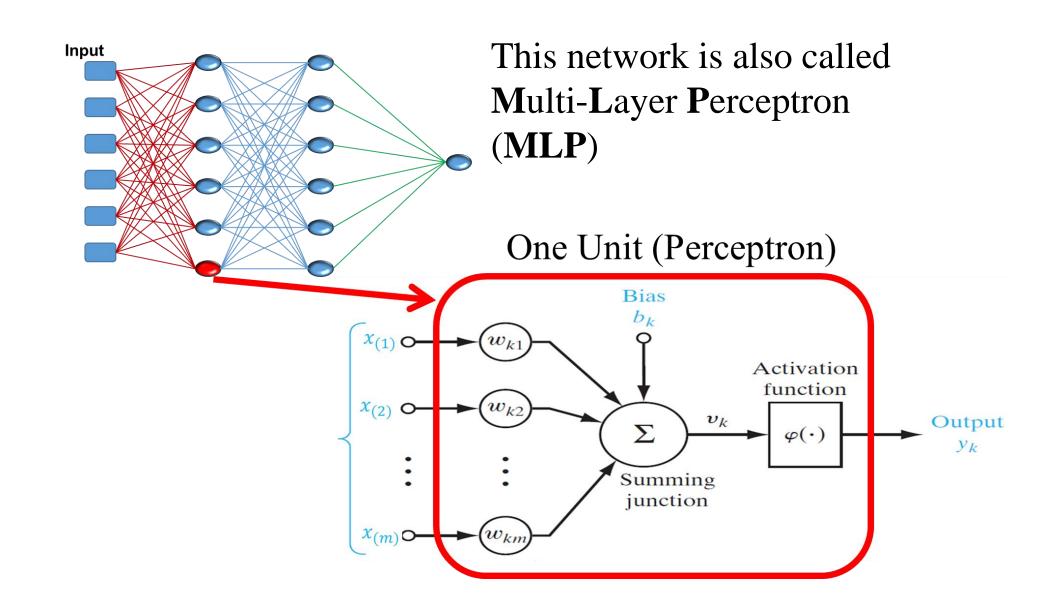
- Linear Models can only describe linear relationship between input x and output y
 - Classifiers: Logistic regression classifier, Linear SVM
 - Regressors: Linear regression model, Linear SVR
- Bayes Models to describe nonlinear relationship
 - not easy to get class PDF
 - GMM may not work for your data
- Trees and Forests to describe nonlinear relationship
 - good for tabular data
 - not so good for image data, voice data, and text data



The four points are Not linearly separable

- We could use feature transform $\phi(x)$ to model nonlinear relationship.
 - Polynomial features: $x \Rightarrow [x, x^2, x^3, ...]$ Not easy to find a good feature transform
 - Kernel trick in SVM/SVR (implicit feature transform) Not easy to find a good kernel function

A Neural Network is a nonlinear model if the activation functions are nonlinear



A Multi-layer (≥1 hidden layer) Neural Network is a Universal Function Approximator

- Universal Approximation Theorem
 - Every bounded continuous function can be approximated with arbitrary small error, by a network with one hidden layer
 - Activation functions need to be locally bounded and piecewise continuous

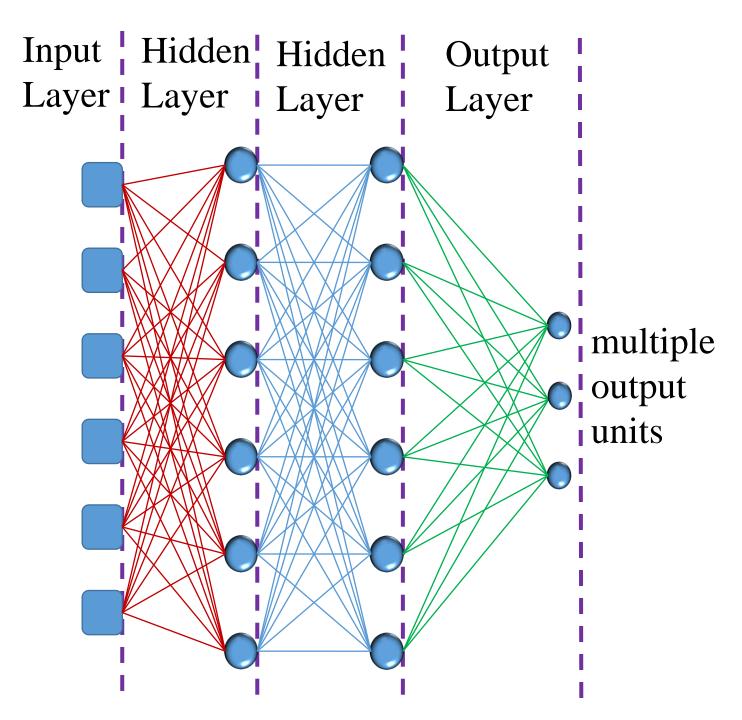
Deep network vs shallow network

A continuous function can be approximated by a deep network or a shallow network. The deep network usually uses less number of units.

Training a Neural Network using Gradient Descent: Forward Pass, Backward Pass, Parameter Update

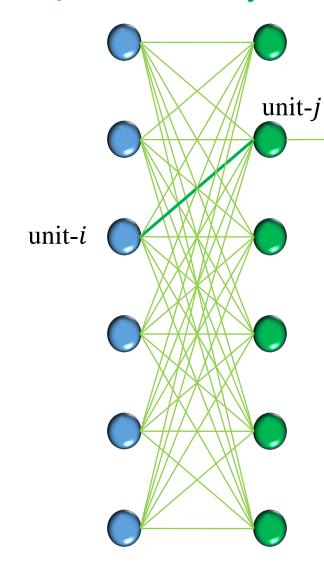
- Forward Pass to perform inference compute the output of each unit/layer
- Backward Pass to perform learning compute the derivatives of the loss
- Parameter Update to adjust the parameters using derivatives

Update:
$$w \leftarrow w - \eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial w}$$
 η is called learning rate



In general, a neural network (MLP) could have many hidden layers, and the output could be a vector.

Layer_a Layer_b



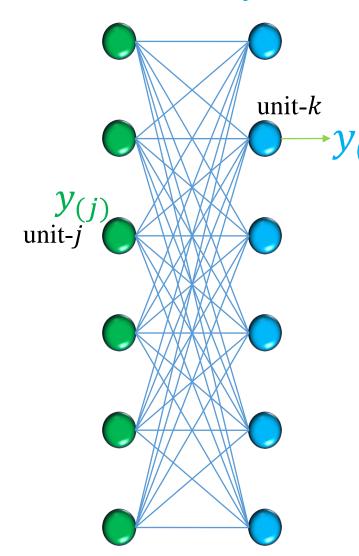
- w_{ij} is the weight of the link connecting unit-i in layer_a and unit-j in layer_b
- $x_{(i)}$ is the output of the unit-i in layer_a
- $y_{(i)}$ is the output of the unit-j in layer_b
- f_i is the activation function of the unit-j
- $y_{(j)} = f_j(v_j)$ and $v_j = \sum_i w_{ij} x_{(i)} + b_j$
- L is the loss

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial w_{ij}} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{(j)}} \frac{\partial y_{(j)}}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

$$\frac{\partial y_{(j)}}{\partial w_{ij}} = \frac{\partial f_j}{\partial v_j} \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

How to get
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{(i)}}$$
? $\frac{\partial v_j}{\partial w_{ij}} = x_{(i)}$

Layer_b Layer_c



- w_{jk} is the weight of the link connecting unit-j in layer_b and unit-k in layer_c
- $y_{(i)}$ is the output of the unit-j in layer_b
- $y_{(k)}$ is the output of the unit-k in layer_c
- f_k is the activation function of the unit-k

•
$$y_{(k)} = f_k(u_k)$$
 and $u_k = \sum_j w_{jk} y_{(j)} + b_k$

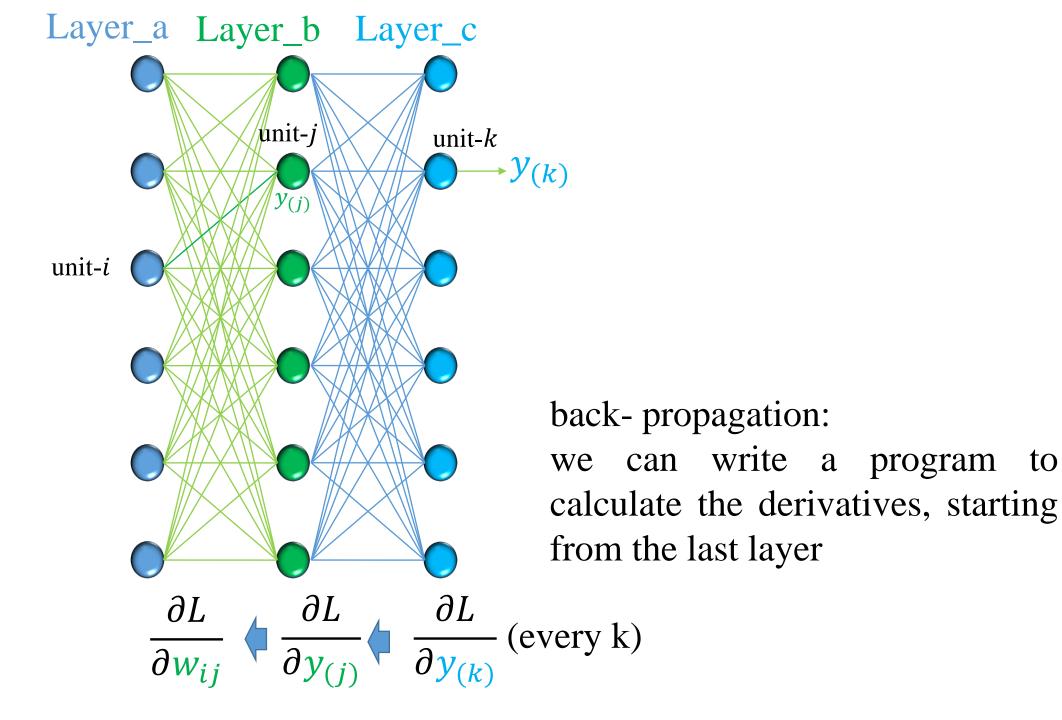
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{(j)}} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{(k)}} \frac{\partial y_{(k)}}{\partial y_{(j)}}$$

$$\frac{\partial y_{(k)}}{\partial y_{(j)}} = \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial u_k} \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial y_{(j)}}$$

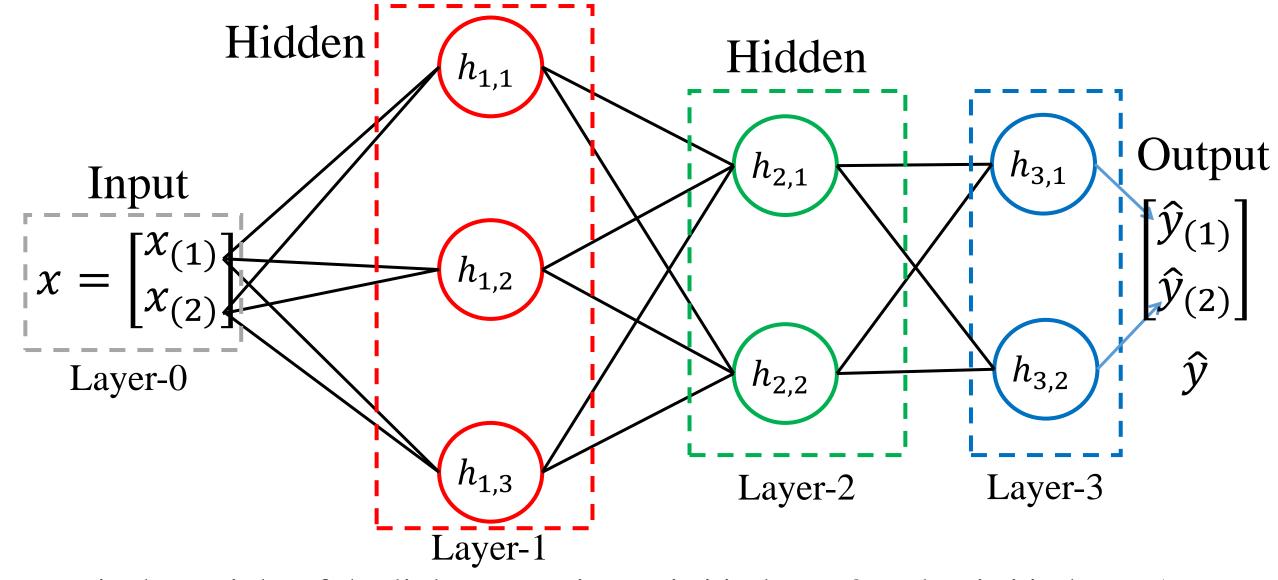
To get $\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_{(k)}}$

 $\frac{\partial u_k}{\partial y_{(j)}} = w_{jk}$

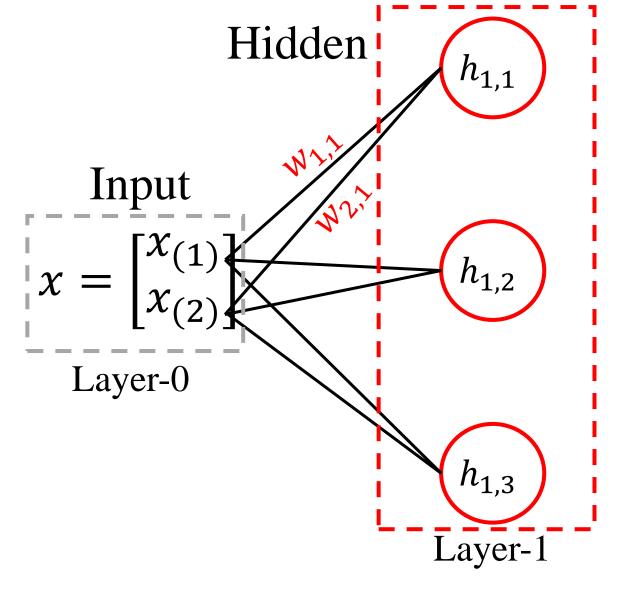
we check the next layer_d



The "Modern" View of A Deep Neural Network - A Computational Graph



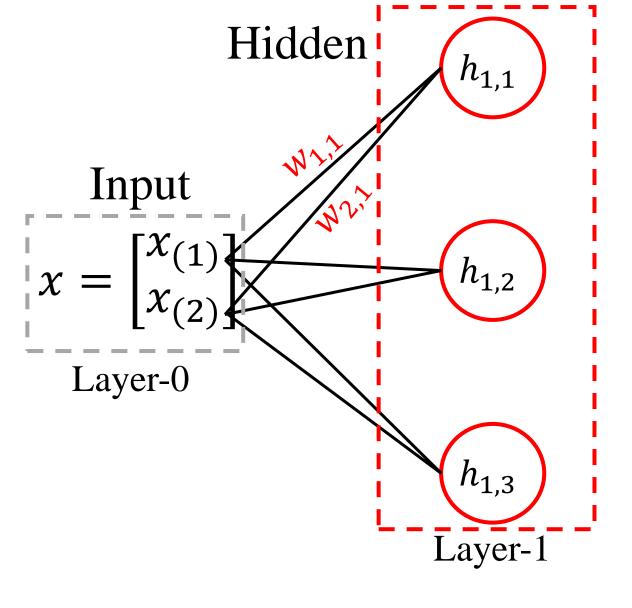
 $w_{i,j}$ is the weight of the link connecting unit-i in layer-0 and unit-j in layer-1 $w_{i,j}$ is the weight of the link connecting unit-i in layer-1 and unit-j in layer-2 $w_{i,j}$ is the weight of the link connecting unit-i in layer-2 and unit-j in layer-3



 $h_{1,1}$ is the output of the first unit $f_{1,1}$ is the activation function b_1 is the bias $h_{1,1} = f_{1,1} \left(w_{1,1} x_{(1)} + w_{2,1} x_{(2)} + b_1 \right)$

 $h_{1,2}$ is the output of the second unit $f_{1,2}$ is the activation function b_2 is the bias $h_{1,2} = f_{1,2}(w_{1,2}x_{(1)} + w_{2,2}x_{(2)} + b_2)$

 $h_{1,3}$ is the output of the third unit $f_{1,3}$ is the activation function b_3 is the bias $h_{1,3} = f_{1,3}(w_{1,3}x_{(1)} + w_{2,3}x_{(2)} + b_3)$



$$h_{1,1} = f_{1,1}(w_{1,1}x_{(1)} + w_{2,1}x_{(2)} + b_1)$$

$$h_{1,2} = f_{1,2}(w_{1,2}x_{(1)} + w_{2,2}x_{(2)} + b_2)$$

$$h_{1,3} = f_{1,3}(w_{1,3}x_{(1)} + w_{2,3}x_{(2)} + b_3)$$
usually, $f_{1,1} = f_{1,2} = f_{1,3}$

Let's use matrix notation, define:

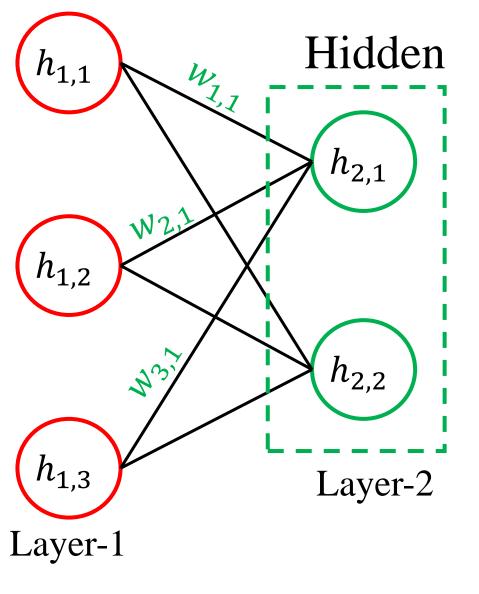
$$h_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{1,1} \\ h_{1,2} \\ h_{1,3} \end{bmatrix}, \quad f_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{1,1} \\ f_{1,2} \\ f_{1,3} \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1} \\ b_{2} \\ b_{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,1} & w_{1,2} & w_{1,3} \\ w_{2,1} & w_{2,2} & w_{2,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

then:

$$h_1 = f_1(\mathbf{W}^T x + \mathbf{b})$$

 h_1 is the output of layer-1 W is the weight matrix of layer-1 b is the bias vector of layer-1



$$h_{2,1} = f_{2,1}(w_{1,1}h_{1,1} + w_{2,1}h_{1,2} + w_{3,1}h_{1,3} + b_1)$$

 $h_{2,2} = f_{2,2}(w_{1,2}h_{1,1} + w_{2,2}h_{1,2} + w_{3,2}h_{1,3} + b_2)$
usually, $f_{2,1} = f_{2,2}$

Let's use matrix notation, define:

$$h_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} h_{2,1} \\ h_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad f_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} f_{2,1} \\ f_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_{1} \\ b_{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,1} & w_{1,2} \\ w_{2,1} & w_{2,2} \\ w_{3,1} & w_{3,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

then:

$$h_2 = f_2(W^T h_1 + b)$$

 h_2 is the output of layer-2

W is the weight matrix of layer-2b is the bias vector of layer-2

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
h_{2,1} & w_{1,1} \\
h_{3,1} & 0 \text{ output} \\
\hat{y}_{(1)} \\
\hat{y}_{(2)}
\end{array}$$
Layer-2
$$\begin{array}{c|c}
h_{3,1} & \hat{y} \\
h_{3,2} & \hat{y}
\end{array}$$

$$\hat{y}_{(1)} = h_{3,1} = f_{3,1}(w_{1,1}h_{2,1} + w_{2,1}h_{2,2} + b_1)$$

 $\hat{y}_{(2)} = h_{3,2} = f_{3,2}(w_{1,2}h_{2,1} + w_{2,2}h_{2,2} + b_2)$
usually, $f_{3,1} = f_{3,2}$

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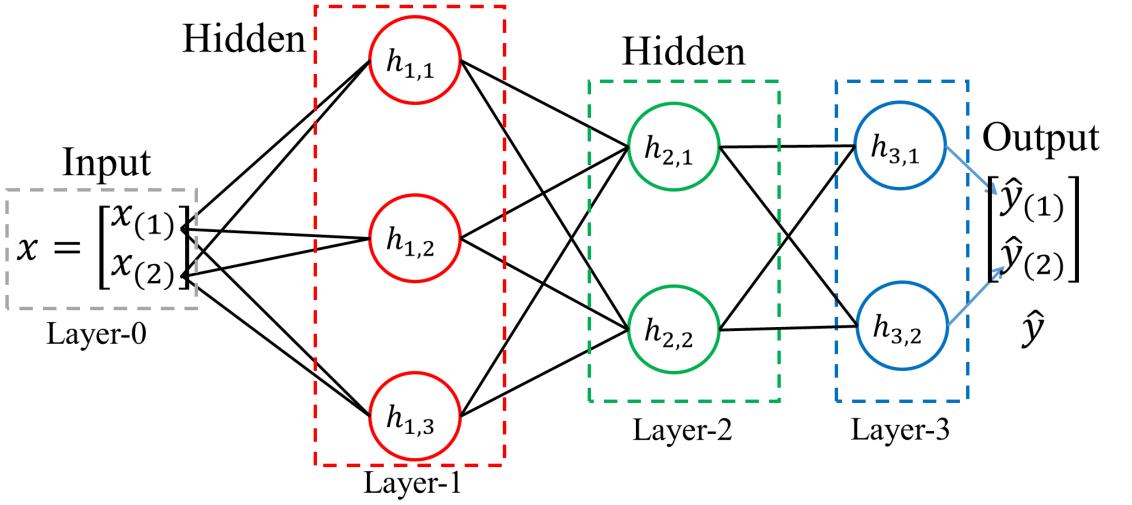
$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,1} & w_{1,2} \\ w_{2,1} & w_{2,2} \end{bmatrix}$$

then:

$$\hat{y} = h_3 = f_3(W^T h_2 + b)$$

 h_3 is the output of layer-3

W is the weight matrix of layer-3b is the bias vector of layer-3



Instead of using circles connected by arrows, we can use a computational graph to represent a neural network:

$$x \rightarrow h_1 = f_1(W^Tx + b) \rightarrow h_2 = f_2(W^Th_1 + b) \rightarrow \hat{y} = h_3 = f_3(W^Th_2 + b)$$
Input Hidden Layer-1 Hidden Layer-2 (Output) Layer-3

Loss Function

- Regression (MSE, MAE, MAPE, robust regression loss, etc)
 - The output layer usually does not have nonlinear activation functions.
 - You may use softplus if the output should be nonnegative
- Binary Classification (BCE: binary cross entropy)
 - The output layer only has one unit
 - The output unit has a sigmoid activation function
- Multi-class Classification (CE: cross entropy)
 - The output layer has K output units for K classes
 - The output layer has a softmax function to convert 'raw' outputs to probability/confidence distribution across the K classes

Derivative of binary cross entropy loss when the last layer has sigmoid activation function

- A set of training data points $\{(x_n, y_n), n = 1, ..., N\}$, true label $y_n = 1$ or 0
- \hat{y}_n is the output from the neural network, given the input x_n

• BCE loss
$$L = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (y_n log(\hat{y}_n) + (1 - y_n) log(1 - \hat{y}_n))$$

• The derivative $\frac{\partial L}{\partial z}$ is needed to compute $\frac{\partial L}{\partial w}$ during backpropagation

$$\hat{y} = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-z}}, \, \sigma(z) \text{ is sigmoid}(z)$$

Derivative of binary cross entropy loss when the last layer has a sigmoid activation function

• The loss for a single data point (x, y), y = 1 or 0

$$L = -(ylog(\hat{y}) + (1 - y)log(1 - \hat{y})), \ \hat{y} = \sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

• Compute $\frac{\partial L}{\partial z}$ using the chain rule

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\sigma - y}{\sigma(1 - \sigma)}$$

$$\frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial z} = \sigma(1 - \sigma)$$

• Then we get $\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} = \sigma - y$

https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/nn.html#torch.nn.BCELoss

[SOURCE]

BCELoss $L(\hat{y}_n, y_n)$

Creates a criterion that measures the Binary Cross Entropy between the target and the output:

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$$\widehat{y}_n$$

$$= L = \{l_1, \dots, l_N\}^\top, \quad l_n = -w_n \left[y_n \cdot \log x_n + (1-y_n) \cdot \log(1-x_n)\right],$$

where N is the batch size. If reduce is True, then

$$\ell(x,y) = \begin{cases} \operatorname{mean}(L), & \text{if size_average} = \operatorname{True}, \\ \operatorname{sum}(L), & \text{if size_average} = \operatorname{False}. \end{cases}$$

BCEWithLogitsLoss $L(z_n, y_n)$ and $\hat{y}_n = \sigma(z_n) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z_n}}$

CLASS torch.nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss(weight=None, size_average=None, reduce=None, reduction='mean', pos_weight=None)

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This loss combines a *Sigmoid* layer and the *BCELoss* in one single class. This version is more numerically stable than using a plain *Sigmoid* followed by a *BCELoss* as, by combining the operations into one layer, we take advantage of the log-sum-exp trick for numerical stability.

The loss can be described as: $\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$ $-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} I_{x} = -w \left[u_{x} \cdot \log \sigma(x_{x}) + (1 - u_{x}) \cdot \log (1 - \sigma(x_{x})) \right]$

$$=\{l_1,\ldots,l_N\}^ op,\quad l_n=-w_n\left[y_n\cdot\log\sigma(\overset{\downarrow}{x}_n)+(1-y_n)\cdot\log(1-\sigma(x_n))
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Two loss functions: BCELoss and BCEWithLogitsLoss

$$L = -(ylog(\hat{y}) + (1 - y)log(1 - \hat{y}))$$

• BCEWithLogitsLoss: the derivative $\frac{\partial L}{\partial z}$ is directly computed by

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} = \sigma - y$$

• BCELoss: chain rule will be applied to compute $\frac{\partial L}{\partial z}$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma} \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial z} = \frac{\sigma - y}{\sigma (1 - \sigma)} \times \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial z}$$

if σ is close to 1 or 0, the result is not numerically stable/accurate

https://keras.io/backend/#binary_crossentropy

binary_crossentropy

$$L(y_n, \hat{y}_n)$$

keras.losses.binary_crossentropy(y_true, y_pred, from_logits=False) label_smoothing=0)

binary_crossentropy
$$L(y_n, z_n)$$
 and $\hat{y}_n = \sigma(z_n) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z_n}}$

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label_smoothing: smooth the ground-truth label if $y_n = 0 \Rightarrow y_n = 0.1$; if $y_n = 1 \Rightarrow y_n = 0.9$

read the paper: https://arxiv.org/pdf/1906.02629.pdf

The "Modern" View of A Deep Neural Network - A Computational Graph

- To understand DNN and its implementation, it is necessary to understand the concepts of Computational Graph and Automatic Differentiation.
- The following slides are math-heavy (linear algebra and calculus).
- If you want to do research in machine learning (e.g. developing new algorithms), then you need to understand every equation in the following slides.
- If you only use machine learning methods to make applications, then you need to get a rough understanding of the concepts.

A computation process

The computation graph

$$h = 2x$$
$$y = 3h$$

$$x \rightarrow h = 2x \longrightarrow y = 3h \longrightarrow y$$

It has two computing nodes

We can compute the derivative:

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial h} \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

A computation process

The computation graph (3 nodes)

$$t = 2x$$

$$h = 2x$$

$$y = 3h$$

$$x \longrightarrow h = 2x \longrightarrow y = 3h \longrightarrow y$$

$$t = 2x \longrightarrow t$$

In 'pure' Math: y = 3tThus: $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 3$ From the computation graph, y is not a function of t, thus $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$ is not defined: it does not exist. $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$ can bet set to None or 0.

Review on Vector and Matrix Differentiation

- y = f(x) where $x \in R^N$ and $y \in R^M$
- x and y are column vectors

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix}
\frac{\partial y_{(1)}}{\partial x_{(1)}} & \frac{\partial y_{(1)}}{\partial x_{(2)}} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_{(1)}}{\partial x_{(N)}} \\
\frac{\partial y_{(2)}}{\partial x_{(1)}} & \frac{\partial y_{(2)}}{\partial x_{(2)}} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_{(2)}}{\partial x_{(N)}} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
\frac{\partial y_{(M)}}{\partial x_{(1)}} & \frac{\partial y_{(M)}}{\partial x_{(2)}} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_{(M)}}{\partial x_{(N)}}
\end{bmatrix} a M-by-N Matrix$$

• The element of $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ in i-th row and j-th col is $\left[\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right]_{i,j} = \frac{\partial y_{(i)}}{\partial x_{(j)}}$

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Review on Vector and Matrix Differentiation

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- If y is a scalar (i.e. M = 1), then $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ is a row vector

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_{(1)}} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_{(2)}} & \dots & \frac{\partial y}{\partial x_{(N)}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Notation to get a column vector

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x^T} = \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right)^T$$

Derivatives of Functions

- y = Ax where $x \in R^N$ and $y \in R^M$
- $A \in R^{M \times N}$
- A does not depend on x

$$\bullet \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = A$$

• If x is a function of a vector z, then we have the chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = A \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}$$

Derivatives of Functions

- $\alpha = y^T A x$ where $x \in R^N$ and $y \in R^M$
- α is a scalar, A is independent of x and y

$$\bullet \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} = y^T A$$

$$\bullet \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (y^T A x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x^T A^T y) = x^T A^T$$

Derivatives of Functions

• $\alpha = x^T A x$ where $x \in R^N$ α is a scalar, A is independent of x, and a_{ij} is an element of A

•
$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} = x^T (A^T + A)$$
, a row vector

• proof:

$$\alpha = \sum_{j} \sum_{i} a_{ij} x_{i} x_{j}$$

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x_{k}} = \sum_{j} a_{kj} x_{j} + \sum_{i} a_{ik} x_{i}$$

$$\sum_{j} a_{kj} x_{j} = x^{T} \times row_{k} [A] = x^{T} \times col_{k} [A^{T}]$$

$$\sum_{i} a_{ik} x_{i} = x^{T} \times col_{k} [A]$$

Thus:
$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} = x^T (A^T + A)$$

Chain Rule

• $\alpha = y^T x$ where $x, y \in R^N$ and α is a scalar x and y are functions of a vector z, then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = x^T \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} + y^T \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}$$

• $\alpha = x^T x$ and x is function of z, then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = 2x^T \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}$$

Chain Rule

• $\alpha = y^T A x$ wherewhere $x \in R^N$, $y \in R^M$ and α is a scalar x and y are functions of a vector z, then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = x^T A^T \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} + y^T A \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}$$

• $\alpha = x^T A x$ wherewhere $x \in R^N$ and α is a scalar x is function of z, then

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = x^T (A + A^T) \frac{\partial x}{\partial z}$$

Chain Rule: a note

- x is a function of z
- y is a function of z
- α is a function of x and y
- You may be familiar with this "total derivative":

$$\frac{d\alpha}{dz} = \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dz} + \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dz}$$

• $\alpha(z)$, x(z) and y(z) are single variable functions, thus we can write

$$\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = \frac{d\alpha}{dz} \qquad \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} = \frac{dx}{dz} \qquad \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} = \frac{dy}{dz}$$

• Example: $\alpha = x + y$, x = z and y = 2z, thus $\alpha = 3z$, $\frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial z} = \frac{d\alpha}{dz} = 3$

Second order derivative

• y = f(x) where $x \in R^N$ and $y \in R^M$, then $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} vec \left[\left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right)^T \right]$

It is a matrix of size $MN \times N$

Vectorization of a Matrix: convert a matrix to a vector

- Matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N}$
- column vectorization: to convert a matrix to a column vector

$$cvec(A) = \begin{bmatrix} col_1 \\ col_2 \\ \vdots \\ col_N \end{bmatrix}$$

• row vectorization: to convert a matrix to a row vector

$$rvec(A) = [row_1 \quad row_2 \quad \dots \quad row_M]$$

• vec(A) denotes cvec(A)

Vectorization of a Matrix: convert a matrix to a vector

•
$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,1} & w_{1,2} & w_{1,3} \\ w_{2,1} & w_{2,2} & w_{2,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

column vectorization: to convert a matrix to a column vector

$$cvec(W) = \begin{bmatrix} w_{1,1} \\ w_{2,1} \\ w_{1,2} \\ w_{2,2} \\ w_{1,3} \\ w_{2,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

• row vectorization: to convert a matrix to a row vector

$$rvec(W) = \begin{bmatrix} W_{1,1} & W_{1,2} & W_{1,3} & W_{2,1} & W_{2,2} & W_{2,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

• vec(W) denotes cvec(W)

Vector-valued Function: the output is a vector

$$y = f(x) = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_M(x) \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } x \in R^N \text{ and } y \in R^M$$

Layer_a Layer_b M units N units unit-*j* unit-i

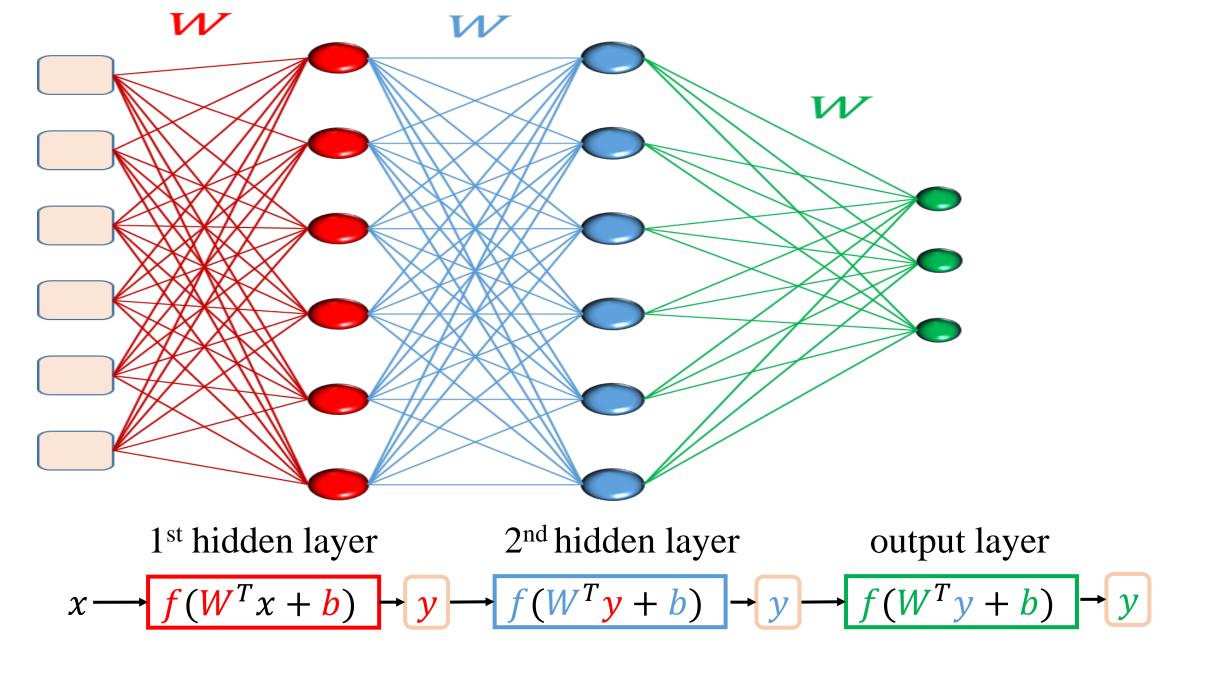
- w_{ij} is the weight of the link connecting unit-i in Layer_a and unit-j in Layer_b
- W is the weight matrix of Layer_b: $M \times N$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} & \dots & w_{1j} & \dots & w_{1N} \\ w_{21} & w_{21} & \dots & w_{2j} & \dots & w_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ w_{M1} & w_{M2} & \dots & w_{Mj} & \dots & w_{MN} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Column-j of W belongs to unit-j

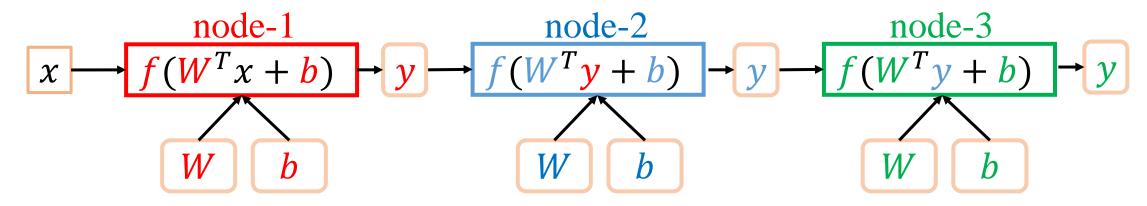
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$$b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1, b_2, \dots, b_j, \dots, b_N \end{bmatrix}^T$$

 b_j is the bias of unit-j



A neural network is a computational graph

- A layer is a computation node in the graph
- A computation node is a function
- A tensor (vector/matrix) is input or output of a function



is a leaf of the graph (it is not the output of a function)

W

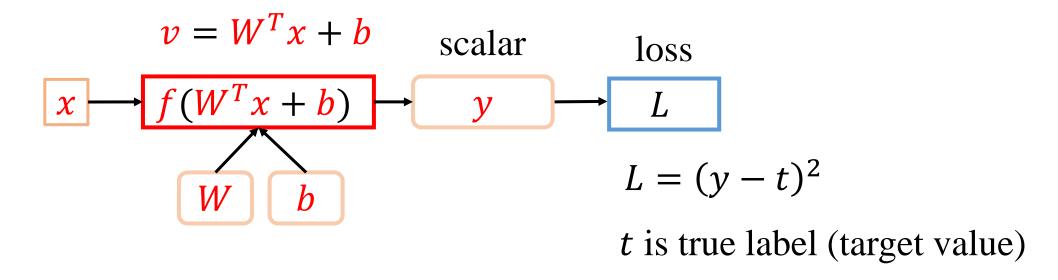
A computation node is a function - PyTorch

Functions in the Autograd Graph

When viewing the autograd system as a graph, `Function`s are the vertices or nodes, connected to each other via (directed) `Edge`s, which themselves are represented via (`Function`, input_nr) pairs. `Variable`s are the outputs to and inputs of `Function`s, and travel between these edges during execution of the graph. When two or more `Edge`s (from different sources) point at the same input to a `Function`, the values produced along all of these edges are implicitly summed prior to being forwarded to the target `Function`.

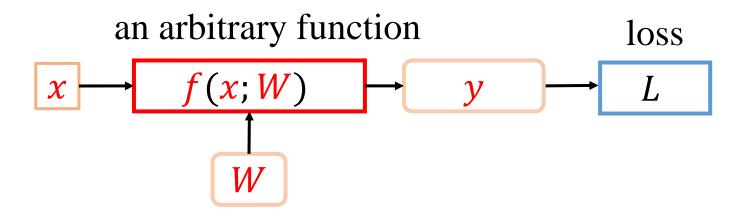
https://github.com/pytorch/pytorch/blob/master/torch/csrc/autograd/function.h

Backpropagation in a graph

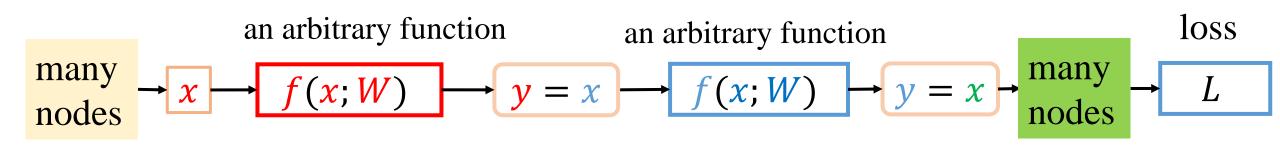


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Backpropagation in a graph



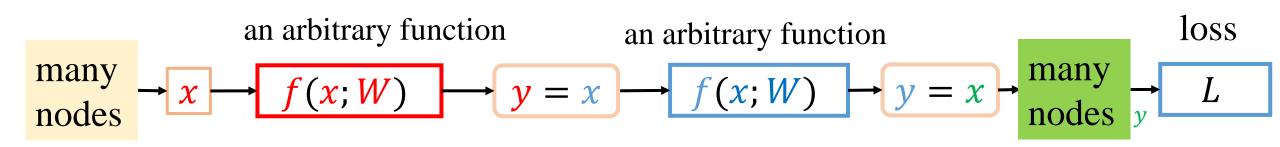
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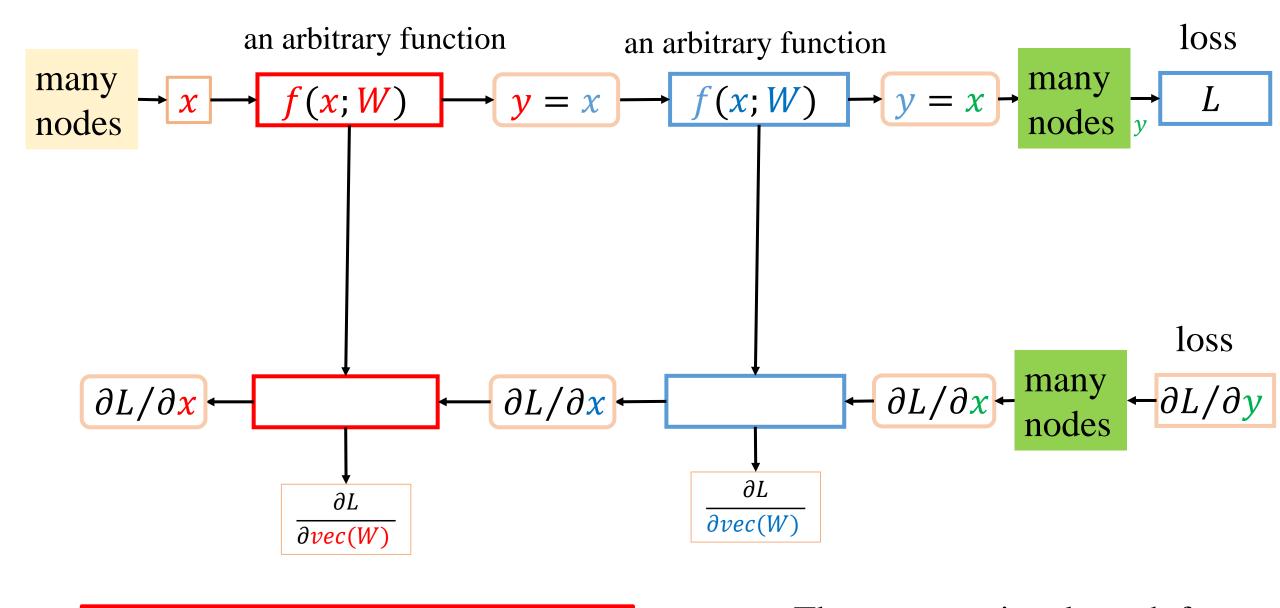
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Backpropagation:

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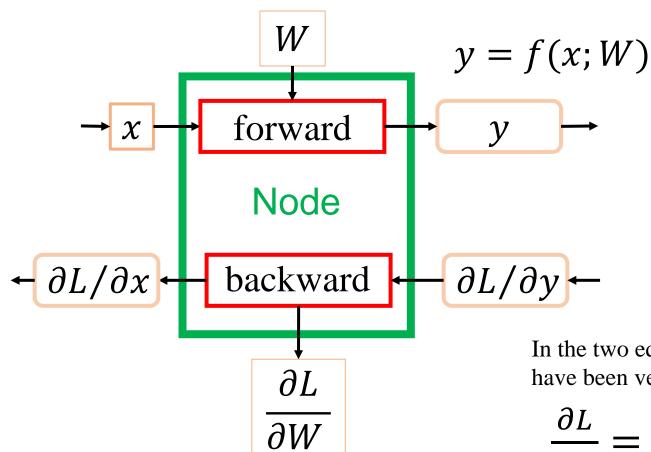
The computational graph for backpropagation

In general, x and y could be high-dimensional tensors. We can apply the same analysis by vectorizing every tensor

an arbitrary function
$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial vec(W)} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial vec(y)} \times \frac{\partial vec(f)}{\partial vec(W)}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial vec(x)} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial vec(y)} \times \frac{\partial vec(f)}{\partial vec(x)}$$

Forward and Backward inside a Node (Function)

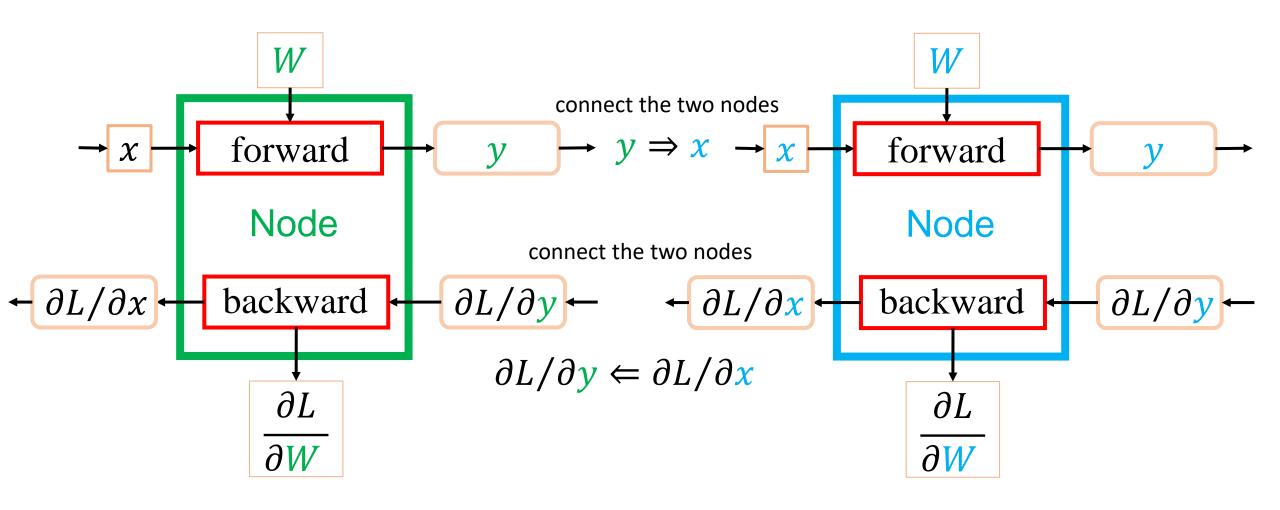


In the two equations, we assume x, y and w have been vectorized.

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial y} \frac{\partial f}{\partial W}$$

Forward and Backward of two connected nodes



PyTorch has implemented the Forward and Backward methods for many functions

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- We need to design network structure and/or loss function
- Automatic differentiation: we do not need to calculate the derivatives (backward pass) by hand

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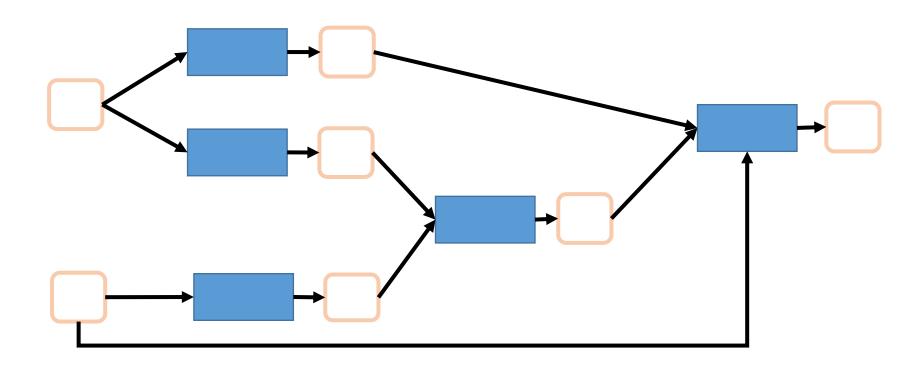
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- Tensorflow API is NOT as user-friendly as Pytorch
- Keras is built on top of Tensorflow.
- We use Tensorflow via Keras
- It is very difficult to implement new algorithms/losses in Keras.
- If you want to use/design new algorithms, I recommend Pytorch.

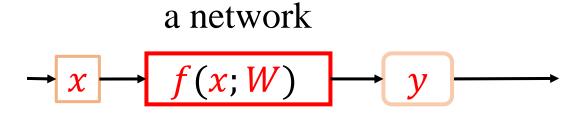
A computational graph is a Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)

directed: each edge has a direction

acyclic: no cycles



a computation node could be a neural network



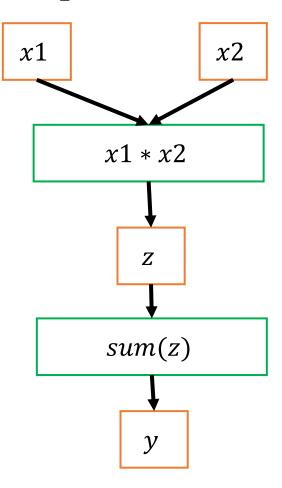
W denotes a list of parameters (tensors) of the network

In other words, we can build a network of networks

PyTorch can automatically calculate the derivatives

```
import torch
 1 x1 = torch.rand((2,3), requires_grad=True)
 2 x2 = torch.rand((2,3), requires_grad=True)
 y = torch.sum(x1*x2)
   x1
tensor([[0.1161, 0.1989, 0.2589],
        [0.3380, 0.1101, 0.2910]], requires_grad=True)
    x2
tensor([[0.3296, 0.7152, 0.5111],
        [0.4479, 0.1195, 0.6649]], requires grad=True)
```

tensor(0.6708, grad_fn=<SumBackward0>)



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y must be a scalar

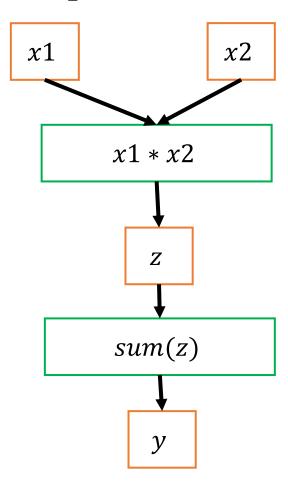
```
1 y.backward()
```

```
1 x1.grad # dy/dx1
```

```
tensor([[0.3296, 0.7152, 0.5111], [0.4479, 0.1195, 0.6649]])
```

```
1 x2.grad # dy/dx2
```

```
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```

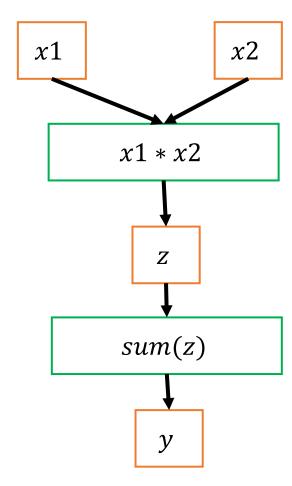


We can not run this line multiple times

1 y.backward()

set retain_graph=True
if you want to run this line multiple times

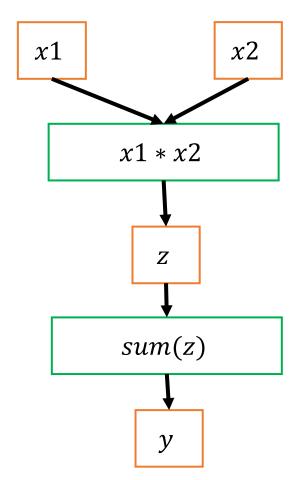
1 y.backward(retain_graph=True)



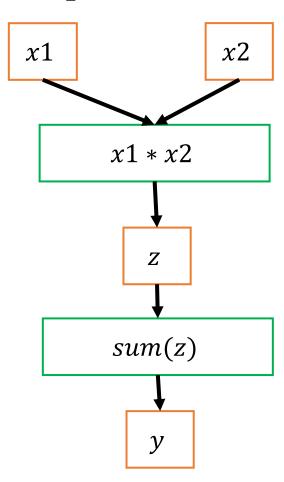
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1 import torch

1 x1 = torch.rand((2,3), requires_grad=True)
2 x2 = torch.rand((2,3), requires_grad=True)
3 z = x1*x2
4 y = torch.sum(z)

1 z.backward() # error
```



```
dy_dz=torch.ones((2,3))
    z.backward(gradient=dy_dz)
    x2
tensor([[0.5142, 0.8137, 0.7438],
        [0.1581, 0.6234, 0.1528]], requires_grad=True)
 1 x1.grad # dy/dx1 or dz/dx1?
tensor([[0.5142, 0.8137, 0.7438],
        [0.1581, 0.6234, 0.1528]])
```



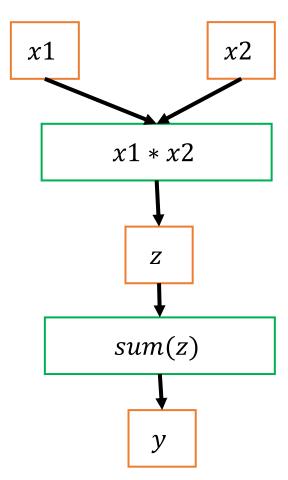
$$\frac{dy}{dx_1} = \frac{dy}{dz} \frac{dz}{dx_1}$$

1 z.backward(gradient=dy_dz)

Then, we get $\frac{dy}{dx_1}$

1 x1.grad

tensor([[0.5142, 0.8137, 0.7438], [0.1581, 0.6234, 0.1528]])



A computation process

The computation graph (3 nodes)

$$t = 2x$$

$$h = 2x$$

$$y = 3h$$

$$x \longrightarrow h = 2x \longrightarrow y = 3h \longrightarrow y$$

$$t = 2x \longrightarrow t$$

In 'pure' Math: y = 3tThus: $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 3$ From the computation graph, y is not affected by t, thus $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$ does not exist $\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}$ is None in Pytorch

```
import torch
 1 x = torch.rand((1,), requires_grad=True)
   h=2*x
 3 t=2*x
 4 y=3*h
   dy_dx=torch.autograd.grad(y,x, retain_graph=True)
   dy dx
(tensor([6.]),)
   dy_dt=torch.autograd.grad(y,t, retain_graph=True, allow_unused=True)
   dy dt
(None,)
```