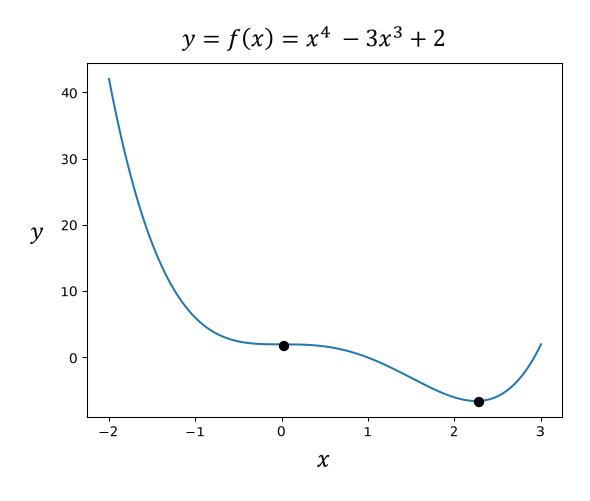


Optimization

Optimization: selecting the best value of variables that will minimize (or maximize) a specific function.



For the function on the left, we can find the optimum values of x that minimize the function **analytically**.

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 9 x^2$$

$$0 = 4x^3 - 9x^2$$

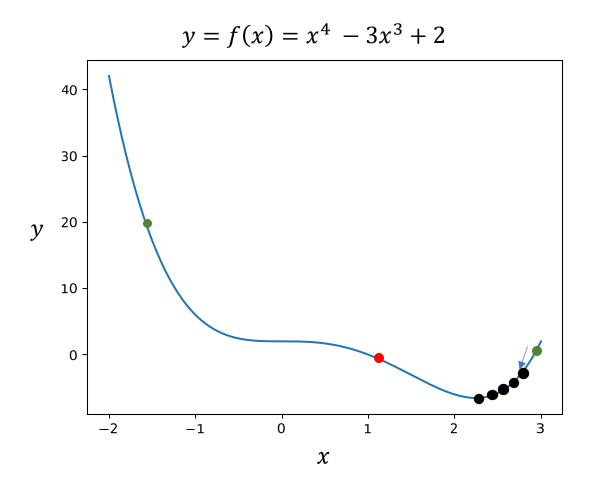
$$4x^3 = 9x^2$$

$$\frac{x^3}{x^2} = x = \frac{9}{4} = 2.25$$

x = 0 is a local minimum.

Gradient Descent

Gradient Descent: an algorithm that uses the gradient (derivative of a function) to reach a global (local) minimum.



Gradient Descent

<u>Inputs:</u> x_init, learning rate, num_iterations

Algorithm steps:

$$x = x_init$$

for i in range(num_iterations):

calculate
$$f'(x)$$

$$x = x - [learning rate * f'(x)]$$

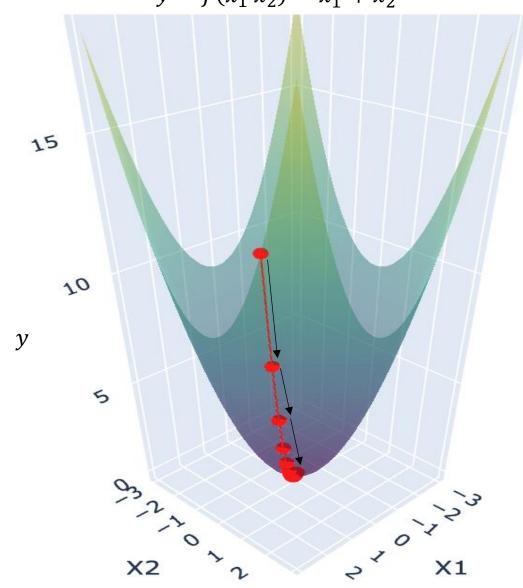
$$x_{opt} = x_{new}$$

In this case, the optimization problem is:

$$\arg\min_{x\in\mathbb{R}} f(x)$$

Gradient Descent in 3D

$$y = f(x_1 x_2) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$$



In this case, the optimization problem is:

$$\arg\min_{x_1,x_2\in\mathbb{R}} f(x_1,x_2)$$

In the context of machine learning, the optimization problem is:

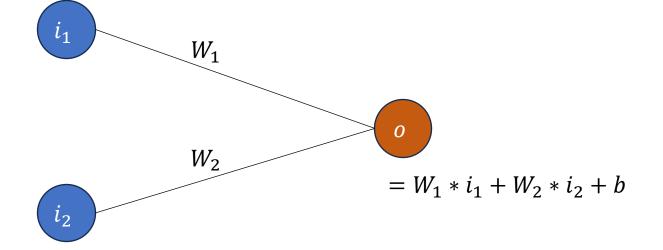
$$\arg\min_{W,b\in\mathbb{R}} f^*(W,b,x,y)$$

Where
$$f^*(W, b, X, y) = \sum [y - f(W, b, X)]^2$$

Architecture of a Neural Network: Single Layer Perceptron

Input Layer

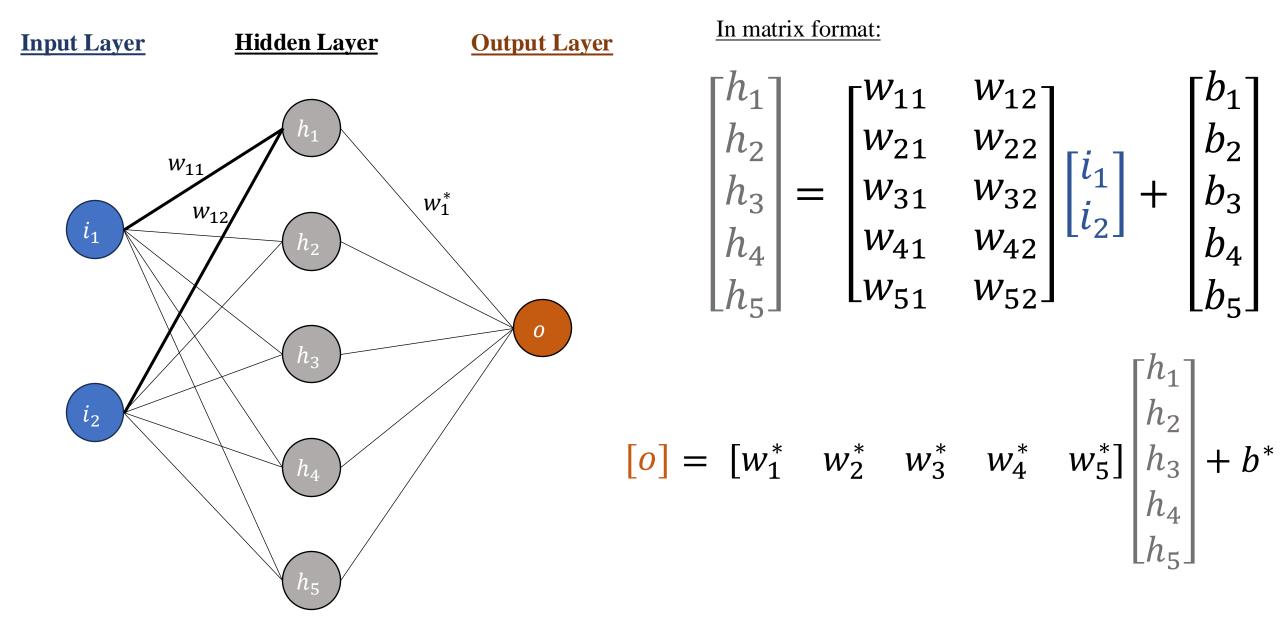
Output Layer



<u>In matrix format:</u>

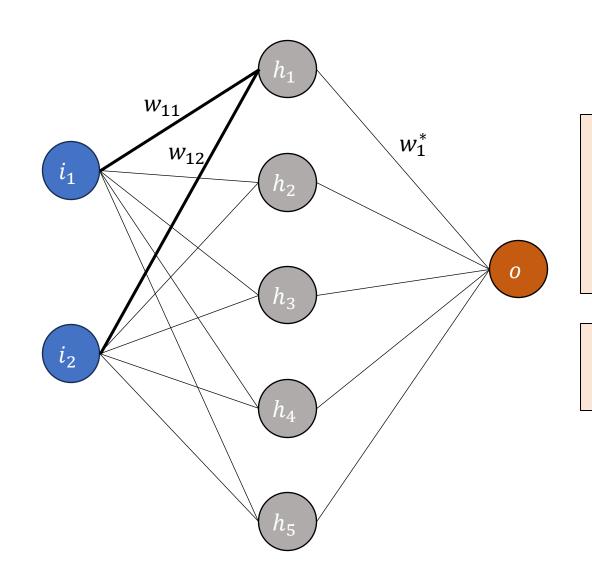
$$\begin{bmatrix} o \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} i_1 \\ i_2 \end{vmatrix} + b$$

Architecture of a Neural Network: Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)



MLP: Number of Parameters

<u>Input Layer</u> <u>Hidden Layer</u> <u>Output Layer</u>



Number of parameters

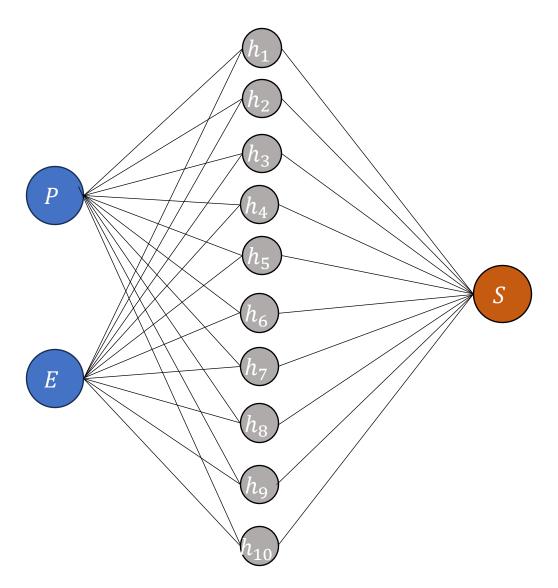
 $= (\#Inputs \times \#Nodes_{hidden-layer})$

 $+ (\#Nodes_{hidden-layer} \times \#Outputs)$

 $+ #Nodes_{hidden-layer} + #Outputs$

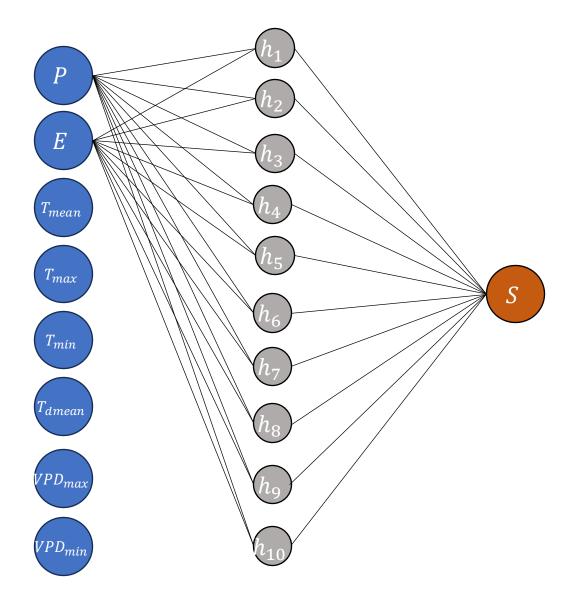
Number of parameters = $(2 \times 5) + (5 \times 1) + 5 + 1 = 21$

partial_correlation_data_annual.csv



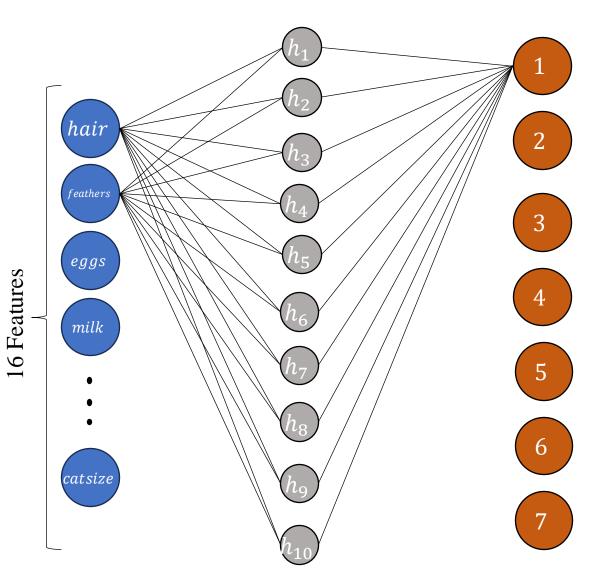
Number of parameters = $(2 \times 10) + (10 \times 1) + 10 + 1 = 41$

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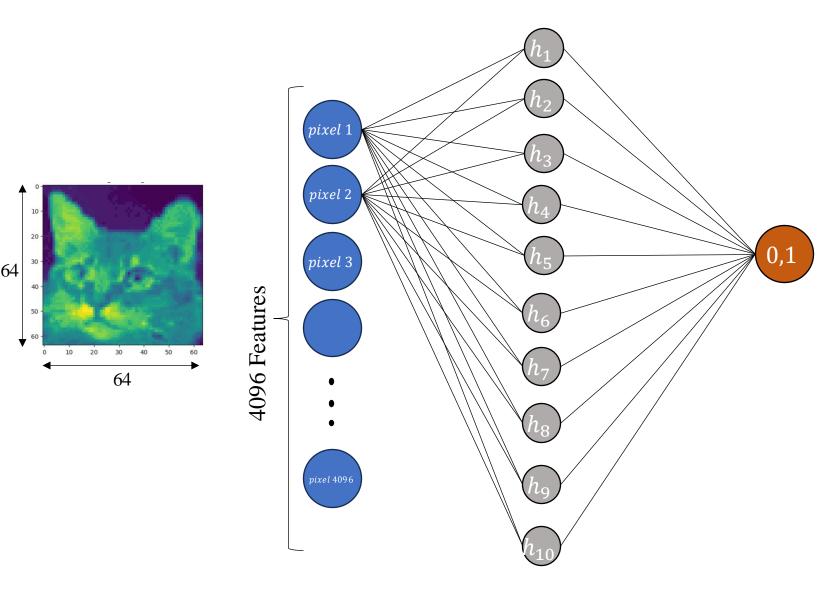
Number of parameters = $(8 \times 10) + (10 \times 1) + 10 + 1 = 101$

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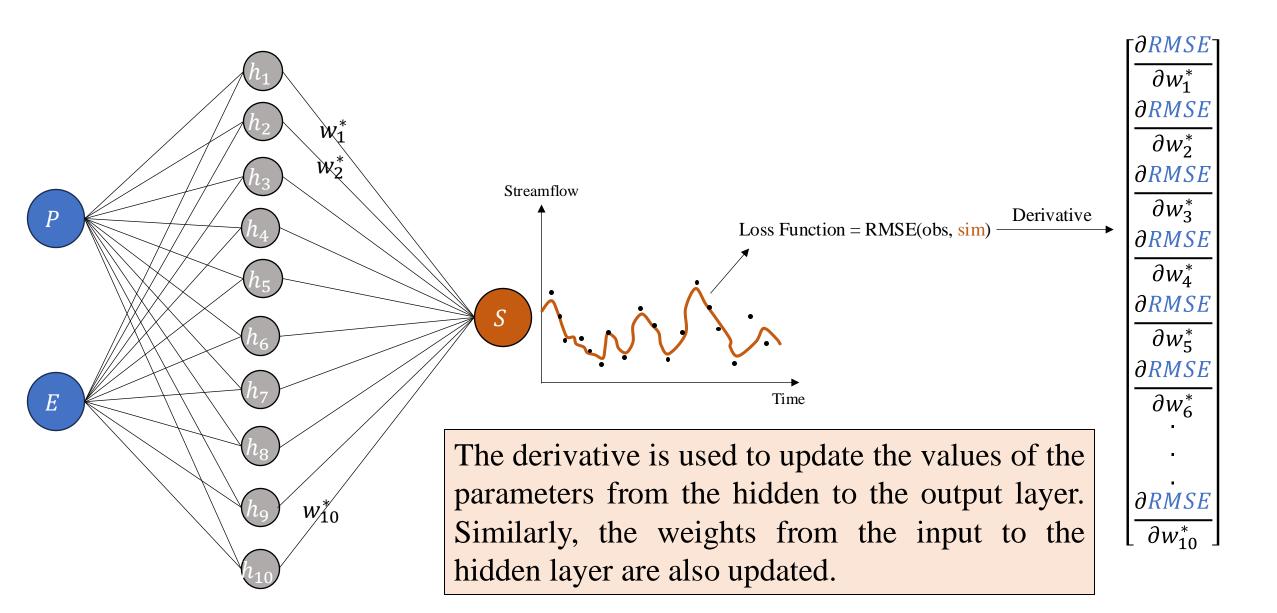
Number of parameters = $(16 \times 10) + (10 \times 7) + 10 + 7 = 247$

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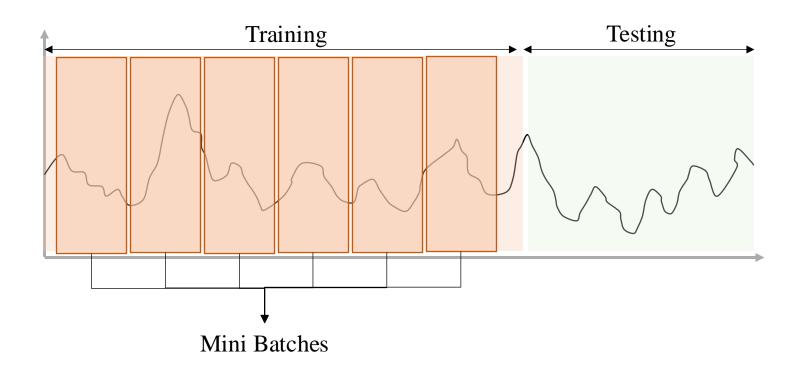
Number of parameters = $(4096 * 10) + (10 \times 1)$ + 10 + 1 = 40,981

Training of ML Models: Backpropagation

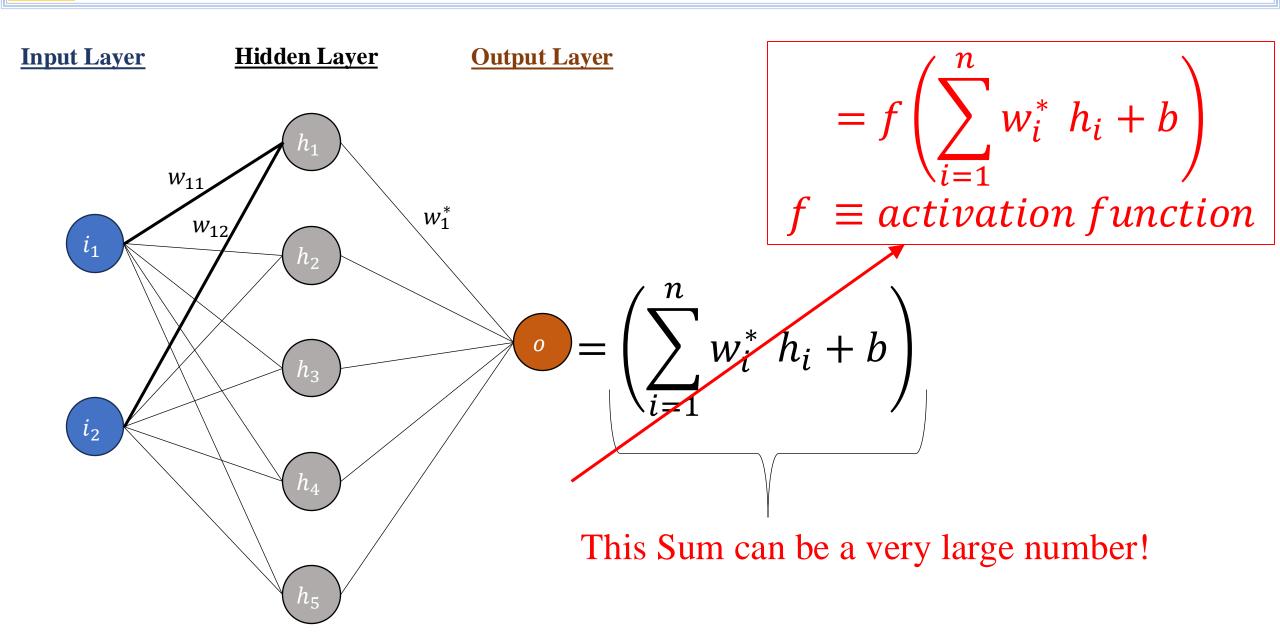


Training of ML Models: Stochastic Gradient Descent

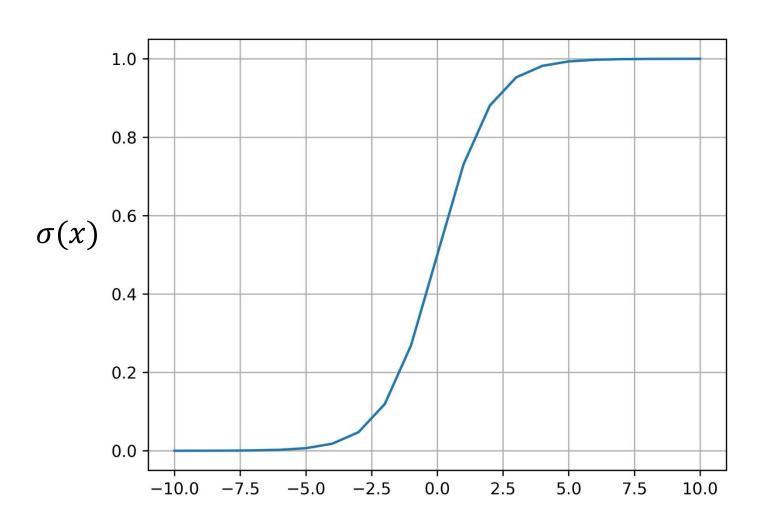
Stochastic Gradient Descent: a variant of the stochastic gradient optimization algorithm, where the gradient is calculated from *a subset of the training data* instead of the entire training dataset.



Activation Functions

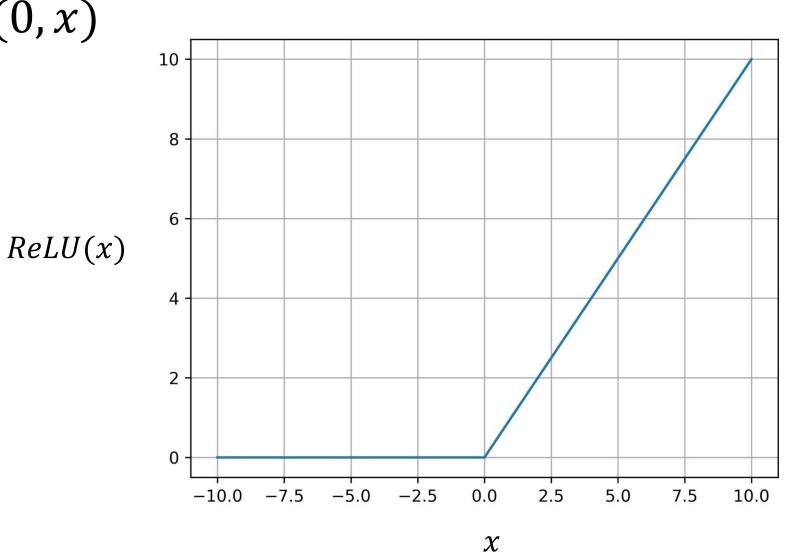


$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



Activation Function: ReLU

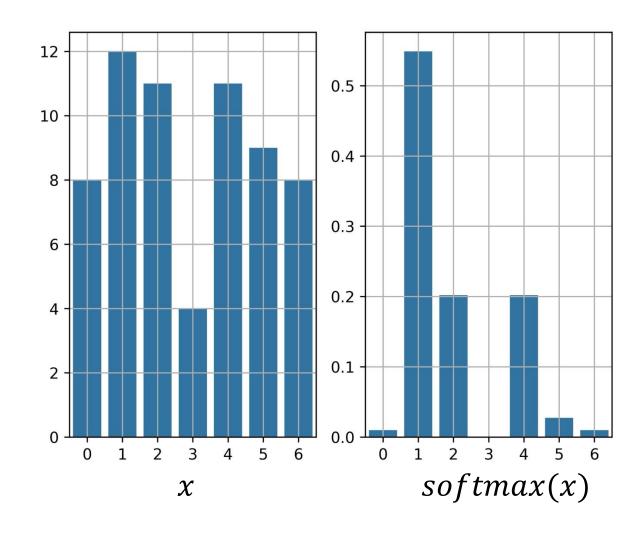
$$ReLU(x) = max(0, x)$$



Activation Function: Softmax

For an input vector of $x = [x_1, x_2, ..., x_n]$

$$softmax(x_i) = \frac{e^{x_i}}{\sum_{i=0}^{n} e^{x_i}}$$



Revisiting Multi-class classification

