

10-701: Introduction to Machine Learning Lecture 9 – Neural Networks

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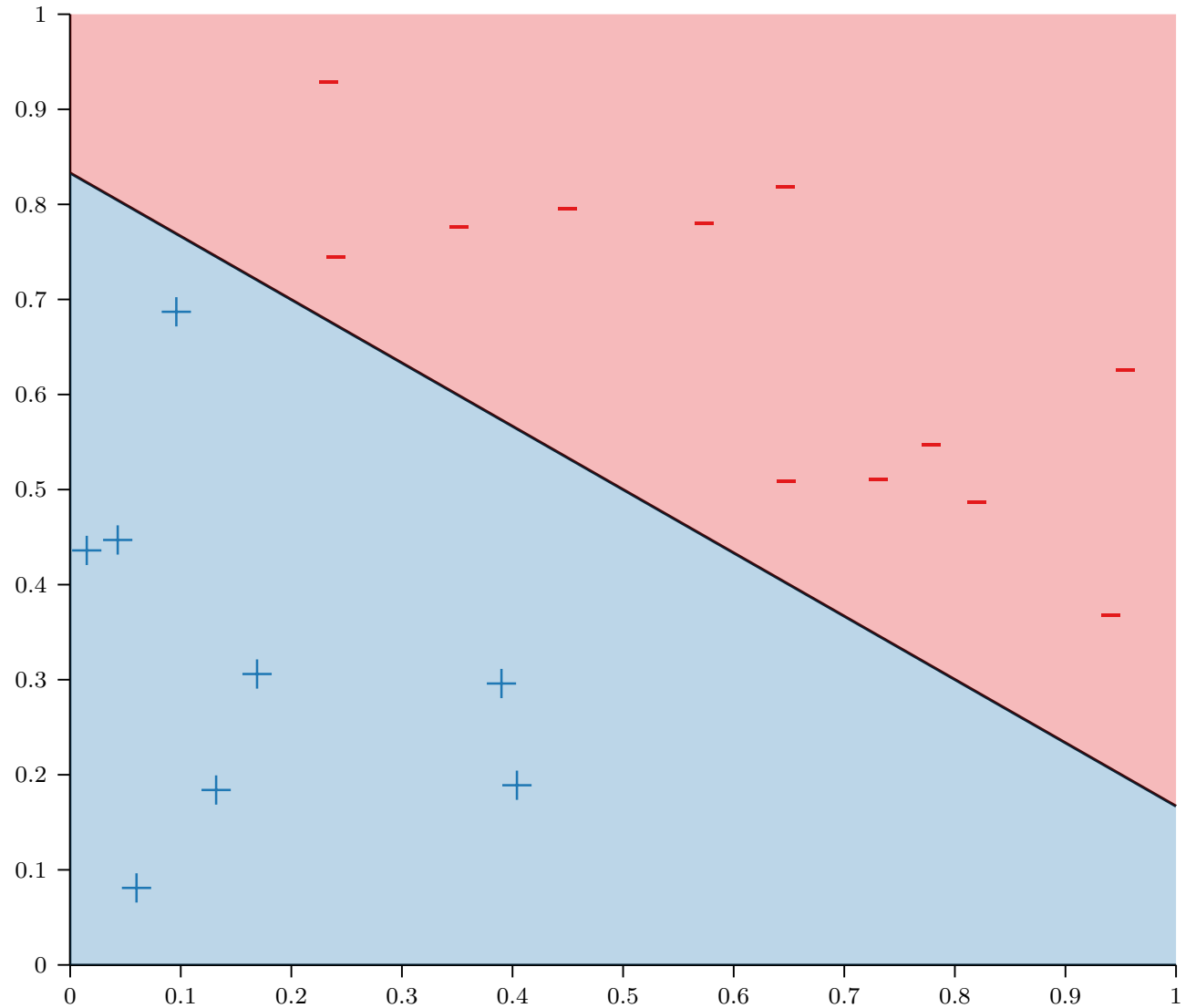
Front Matter

- Announcements
 - HW2 released 2/7, due **2/19** (previously 2/16) at 11:59 PM
 - HW3 released **2/19** (previously 2/16), due **2/28** (previously 2/26) at 11:59 PM
 - Lecture schedule has been updated, [see the course website](#) for full details
 - Lecture on 2/21 (Wednesday) and Recitation on 2/23 (Friday) have been swapped
- Recommended Readings
 - Mitchell, [Chapters 4.1 – 4.6](#)
 - Zhang, Lipton, Li & Smola, [Chapters 5.1 – 5.3](#)

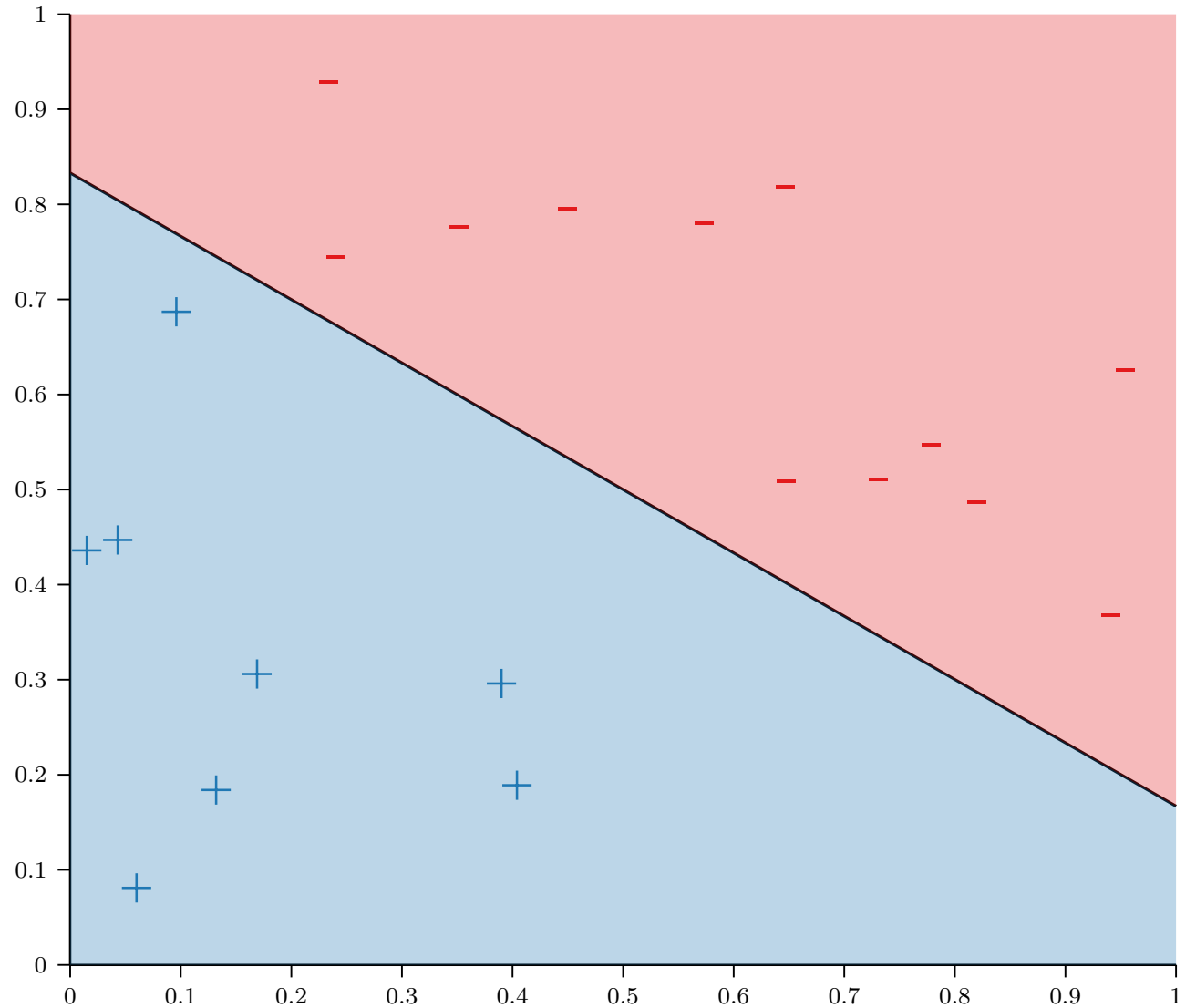
Biological Neural Network



Recall: Linear Models

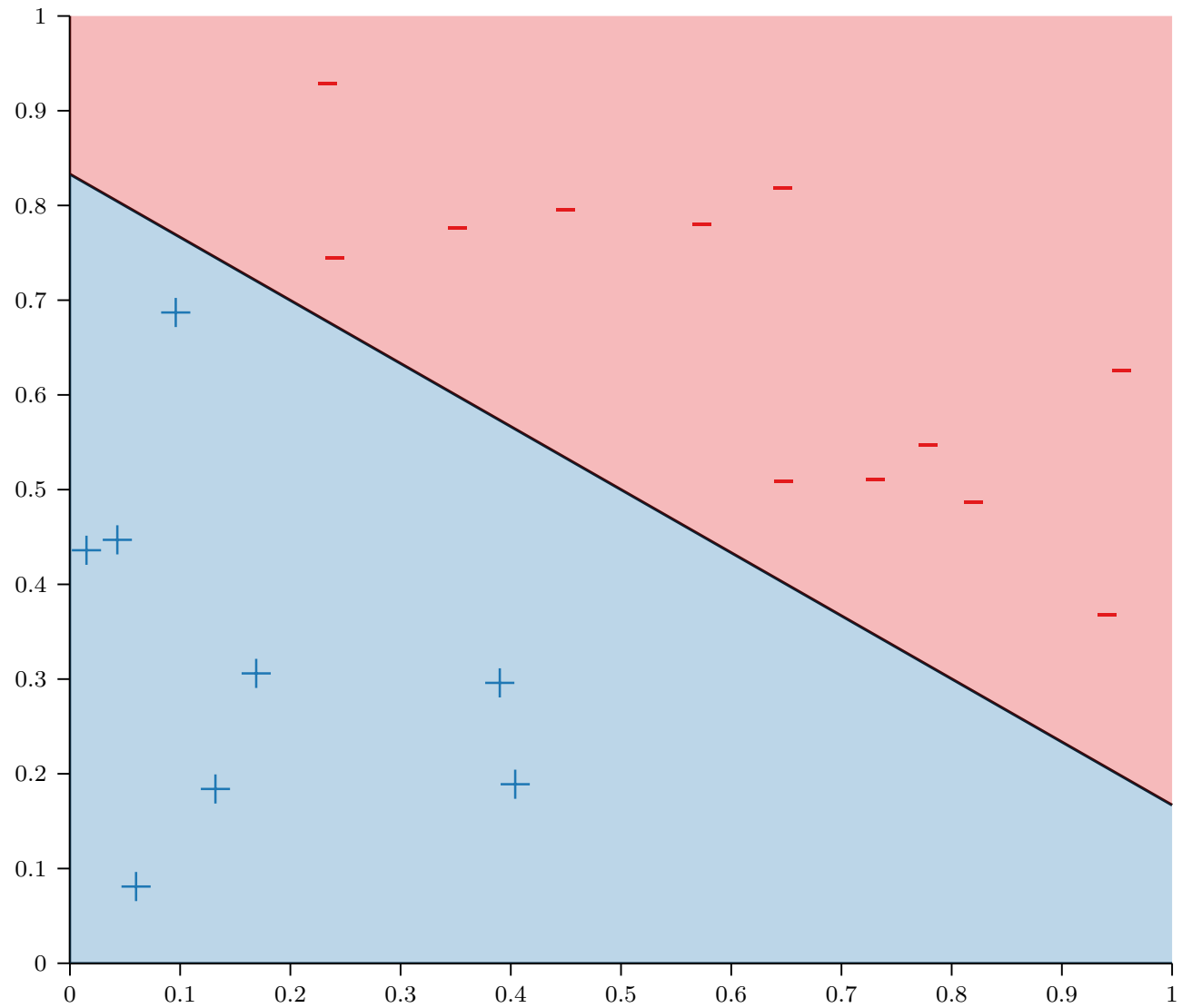


Where do
linear
decision
boundaries
come
from?



The equation of a line is

$$\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} = b$$



The equation of a line is
 $w^T x = 0 \Rightarrow [b \ w] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} = 0$
(bias term prepended to w)

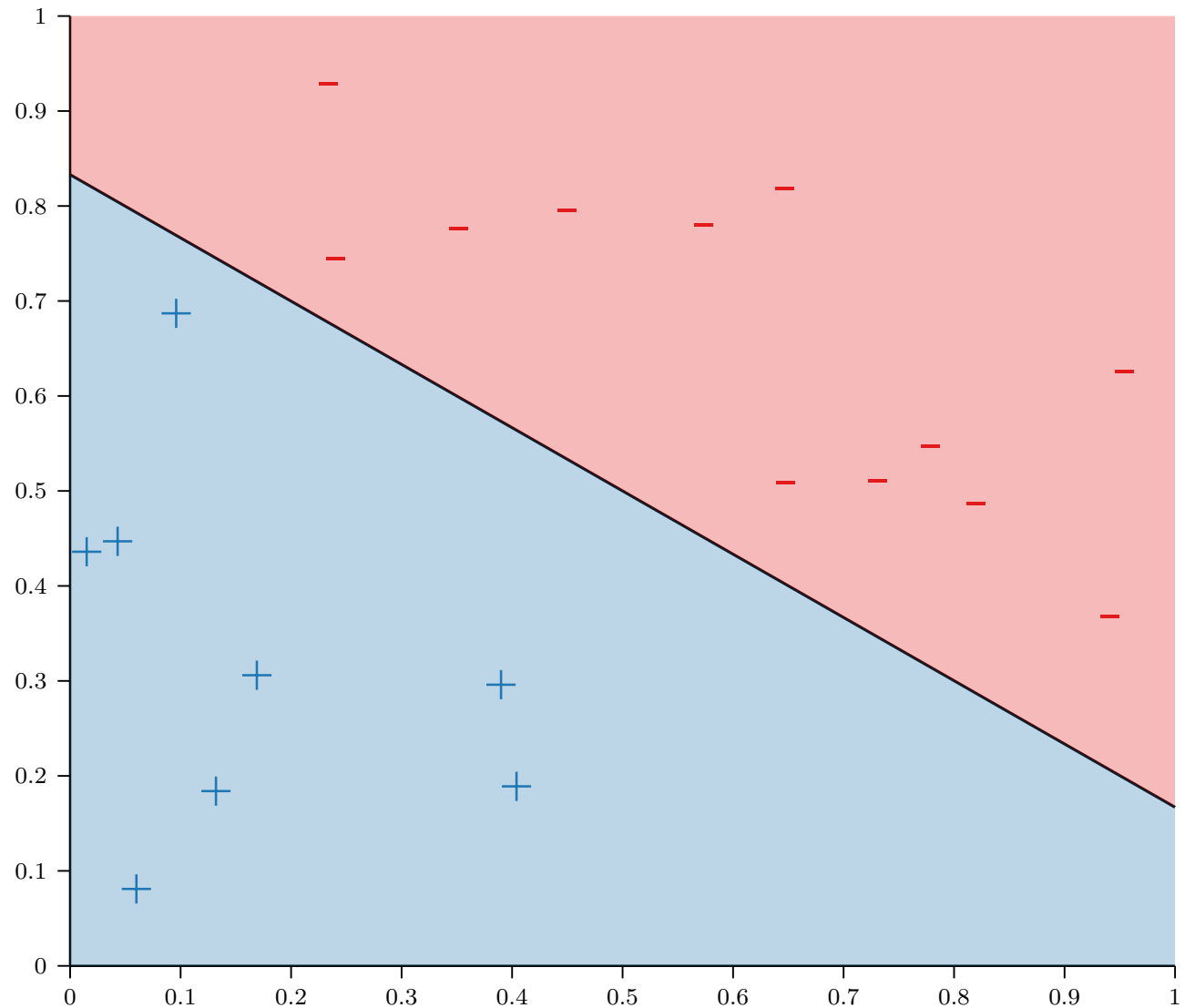
The line defines two half-spaces in \mathbb{R}^D :

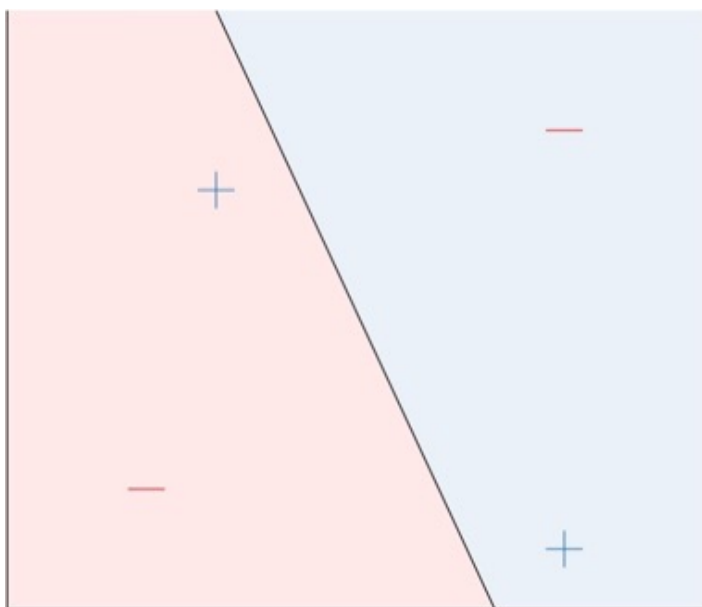
- $\mathcal{S}_+ = \{x: w^T x > 0\}$
- $\mathcal{S}_- = \{x: w^T x < 0\}$

So the model

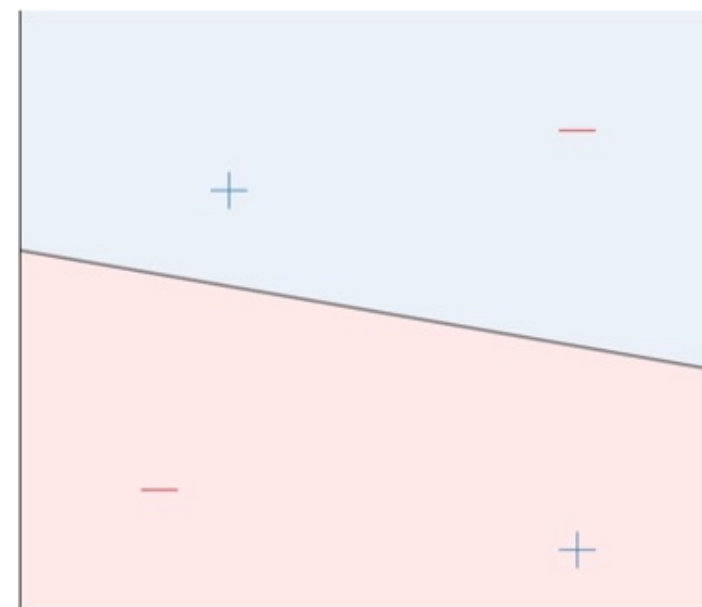
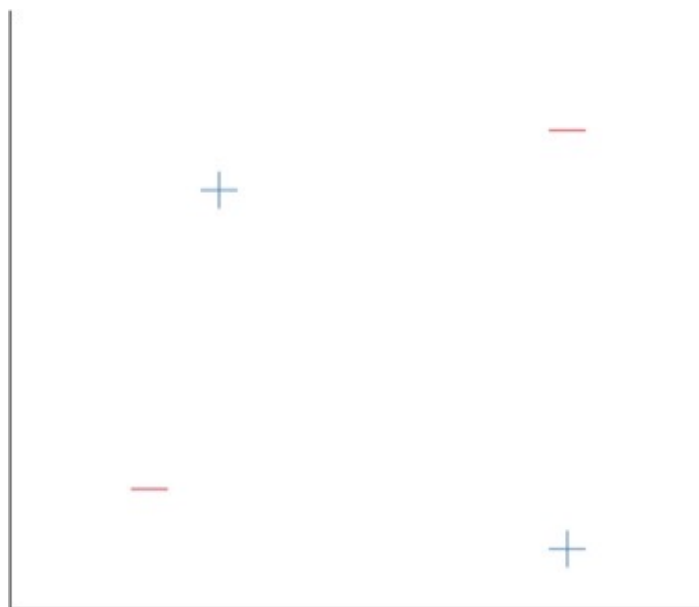
$$h(x) = \text{sign}(w^T x)$$

gives rise to linear decision boundaries!





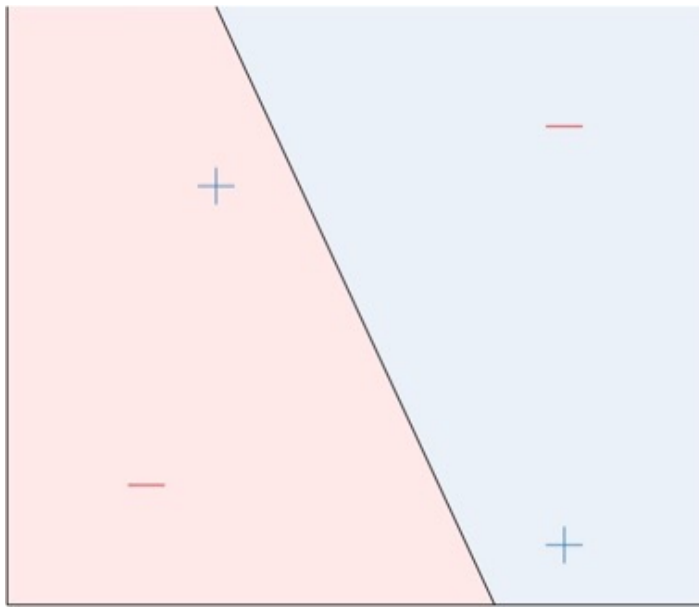
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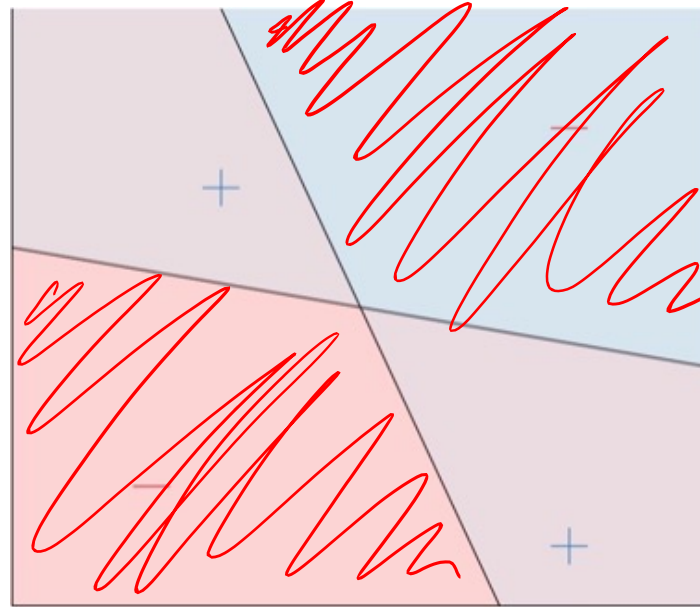
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Perceptrons

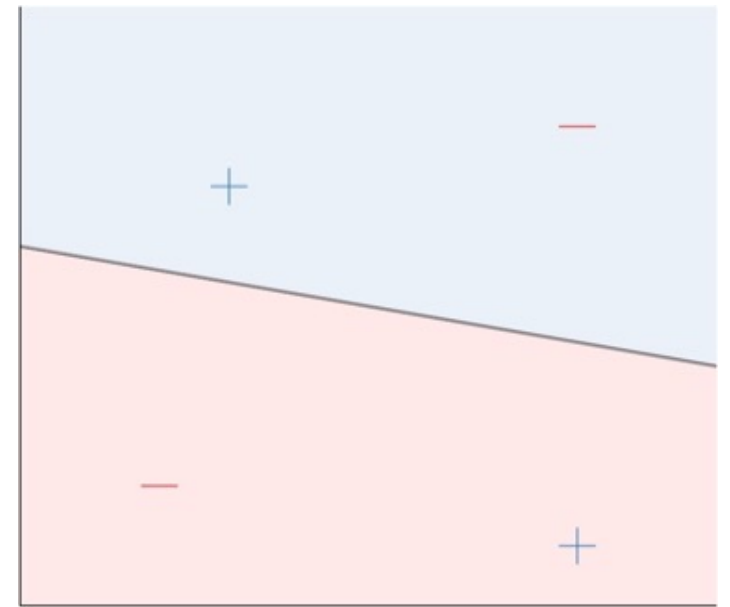
- Linear model for classification
- $h(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$
- Predictions are $+1$ or -1



h_1

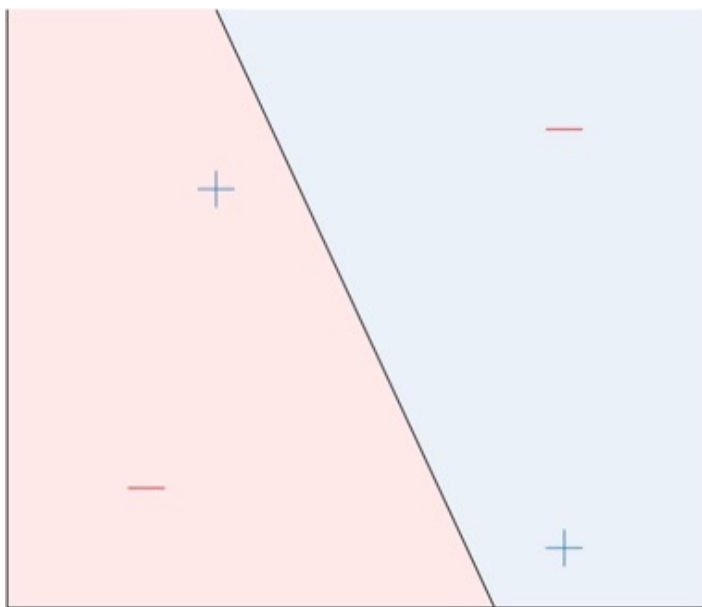


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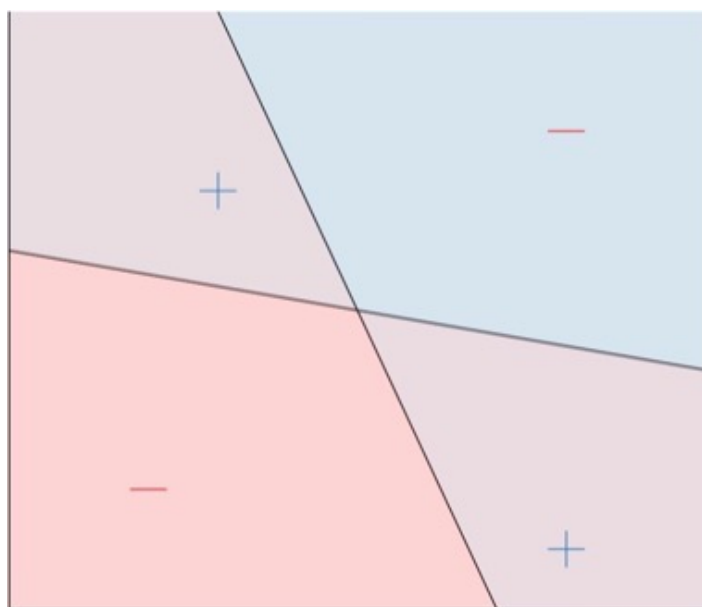


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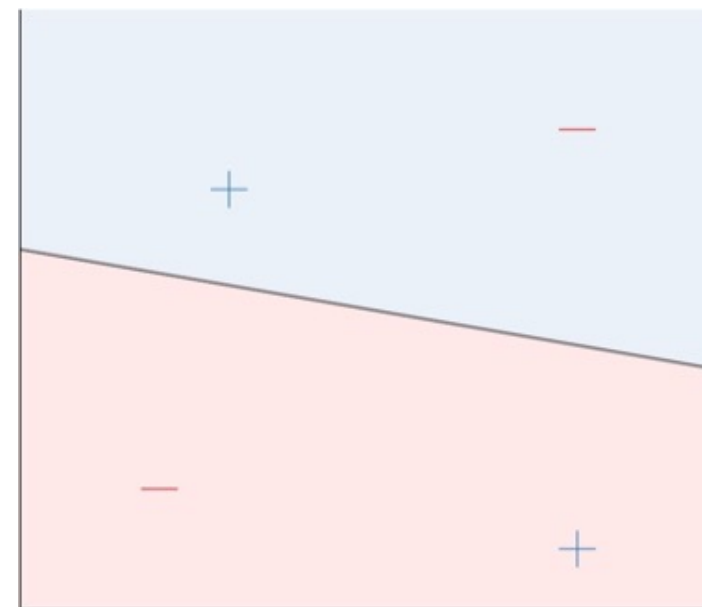
Combining Perceptrons



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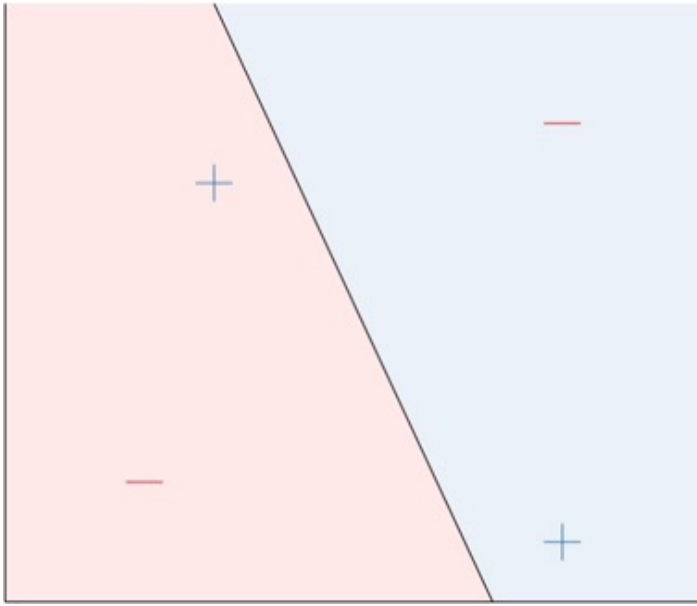
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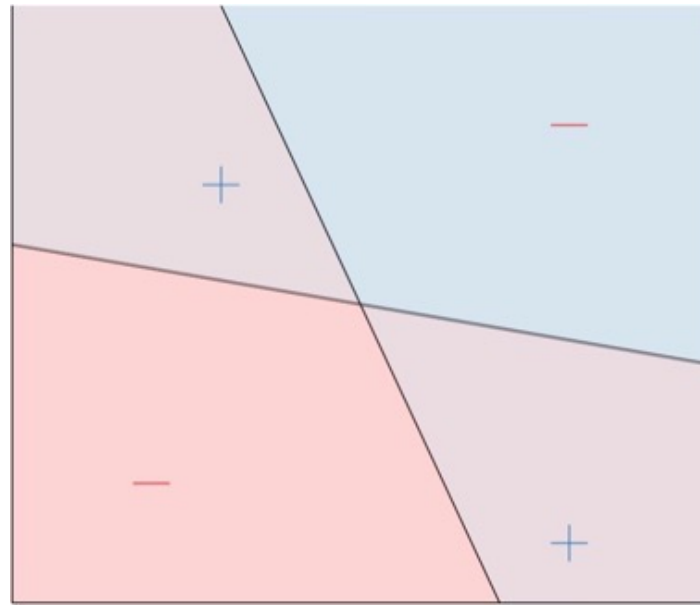
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$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } (h_1(\mathbf{x}) = +1 \text{ and } h_2(\mathbf{x}) = -1) \text{ or } (h_1(\mathbf{x}) = -1 \text{ and } h_2(\mathbf{x}) = +1) \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$h(x)$

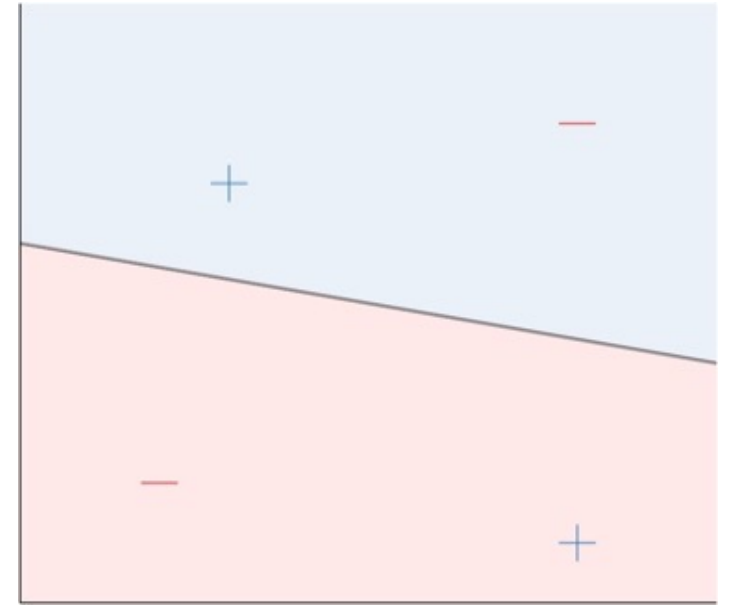


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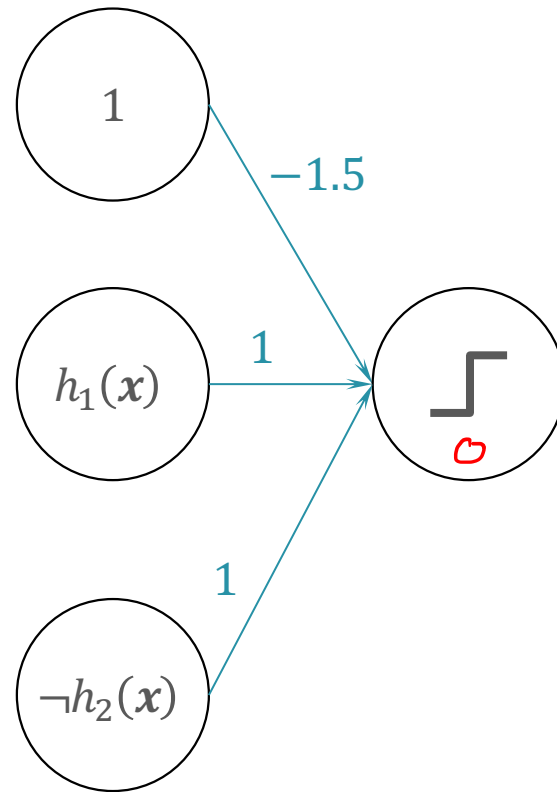
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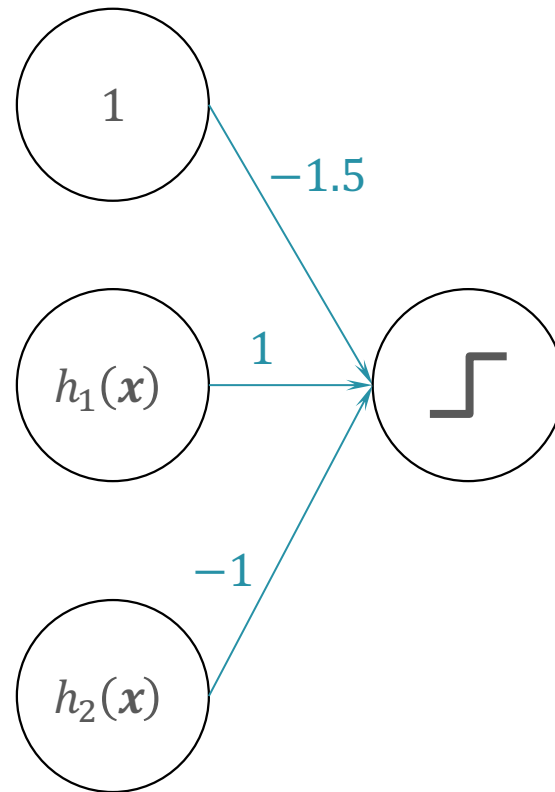
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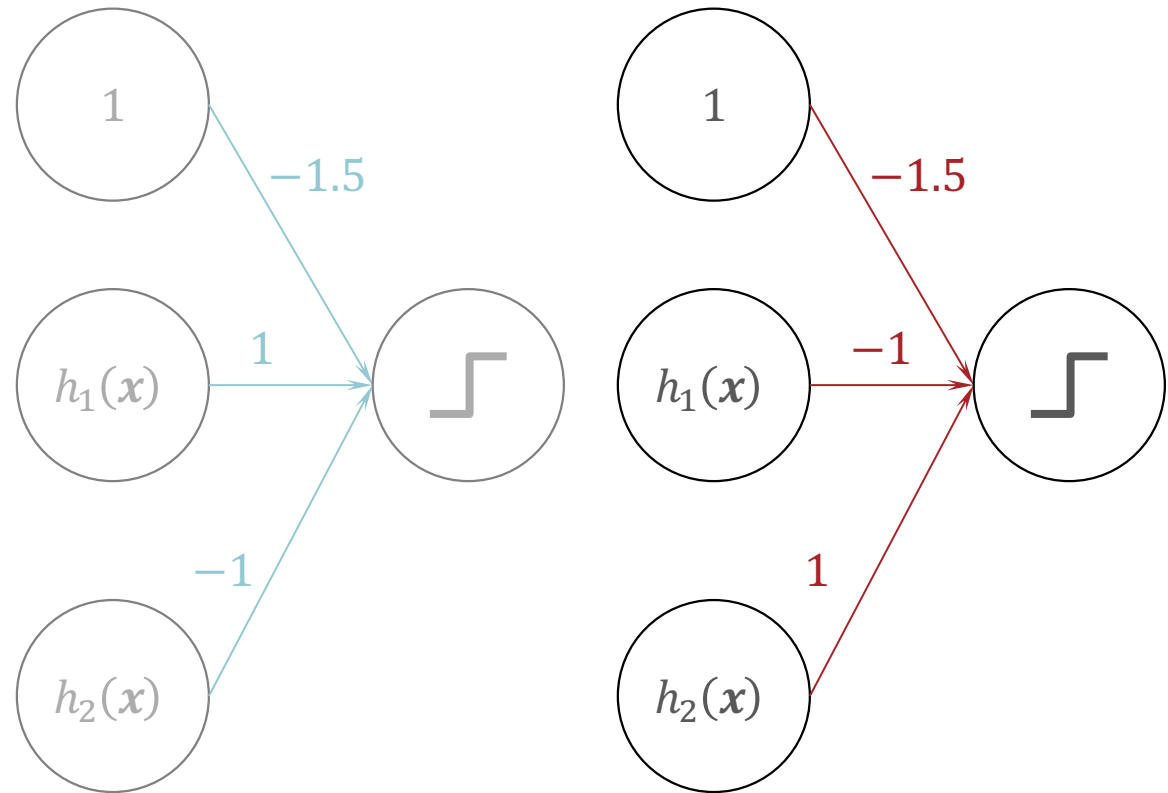
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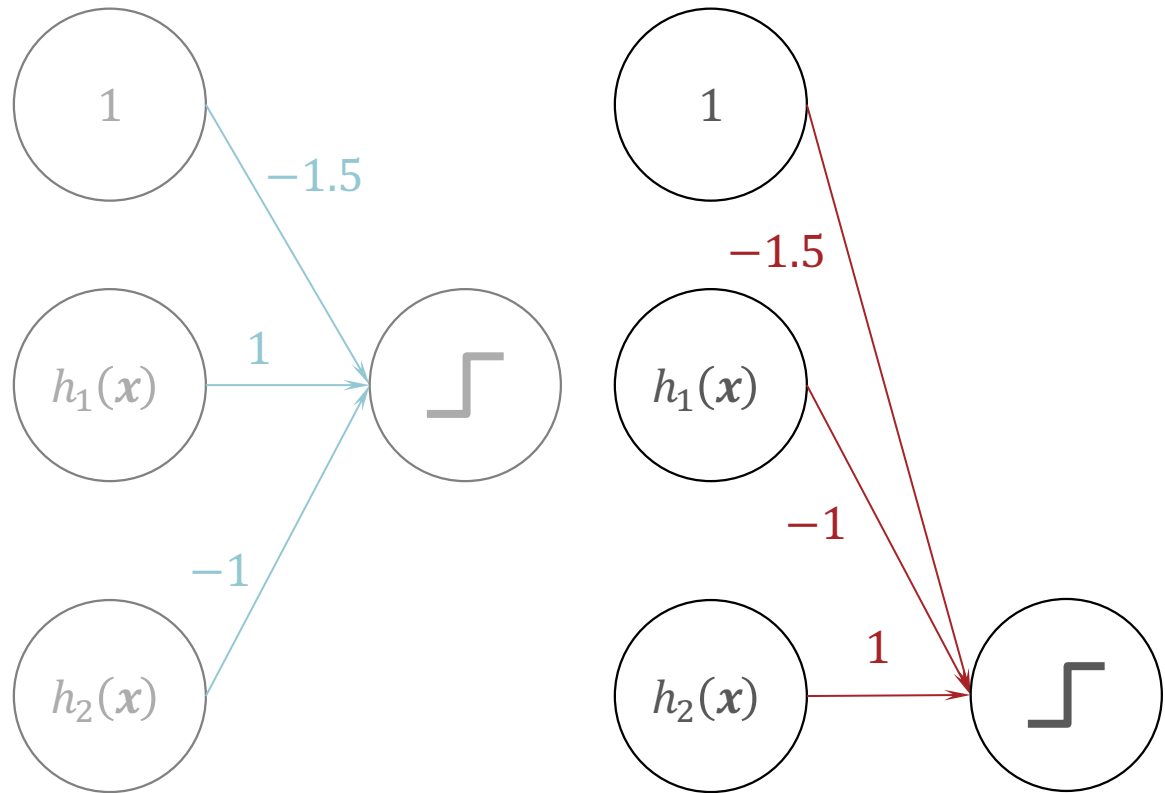
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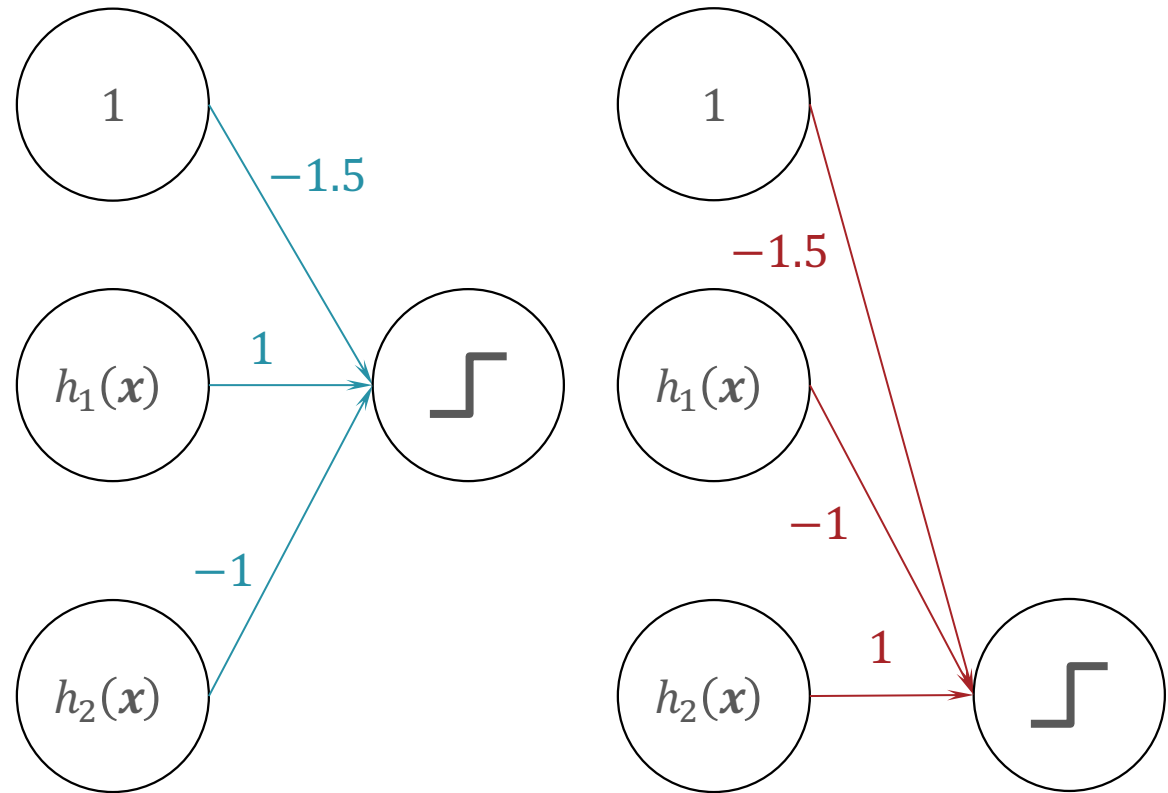
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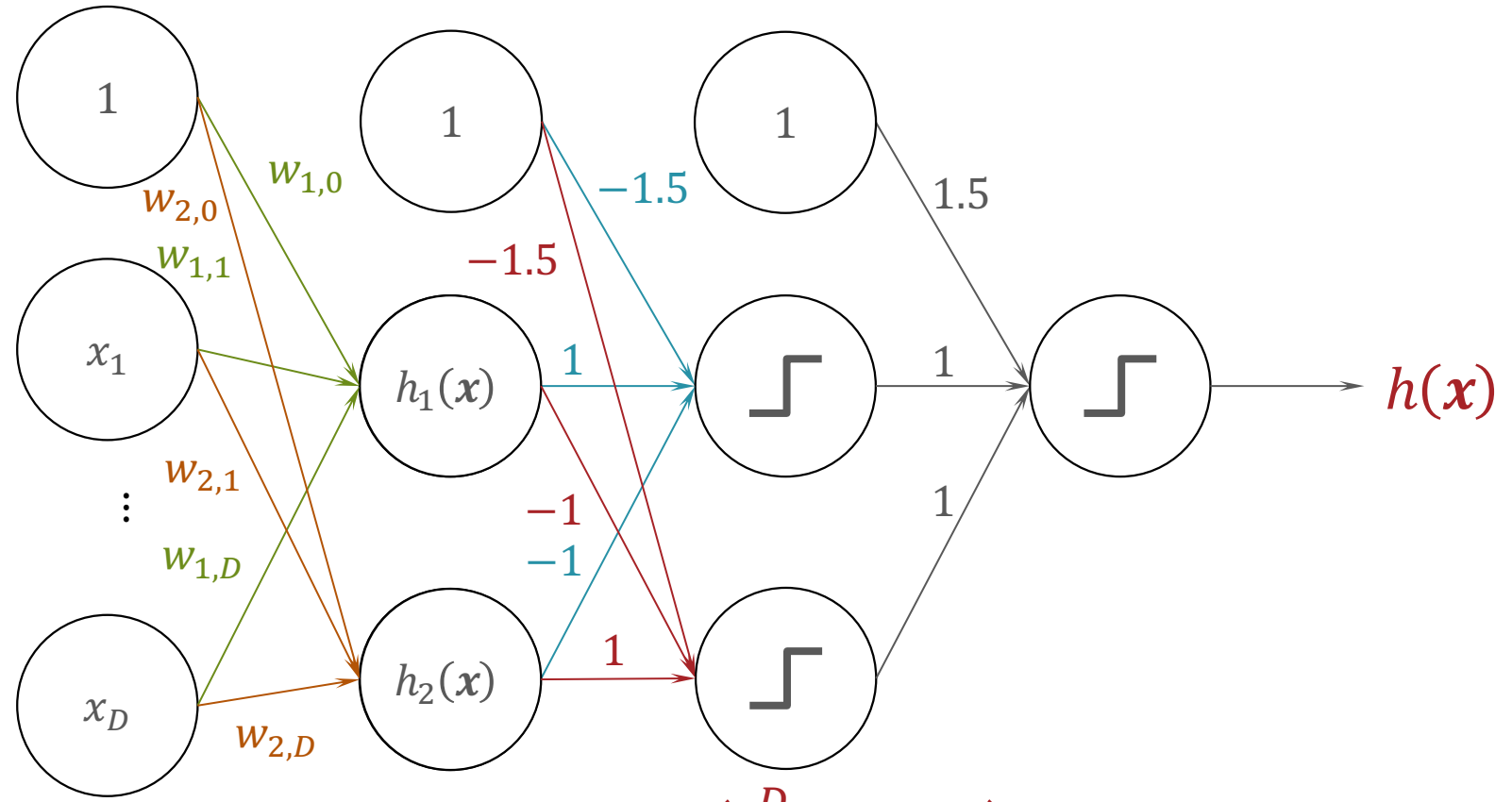
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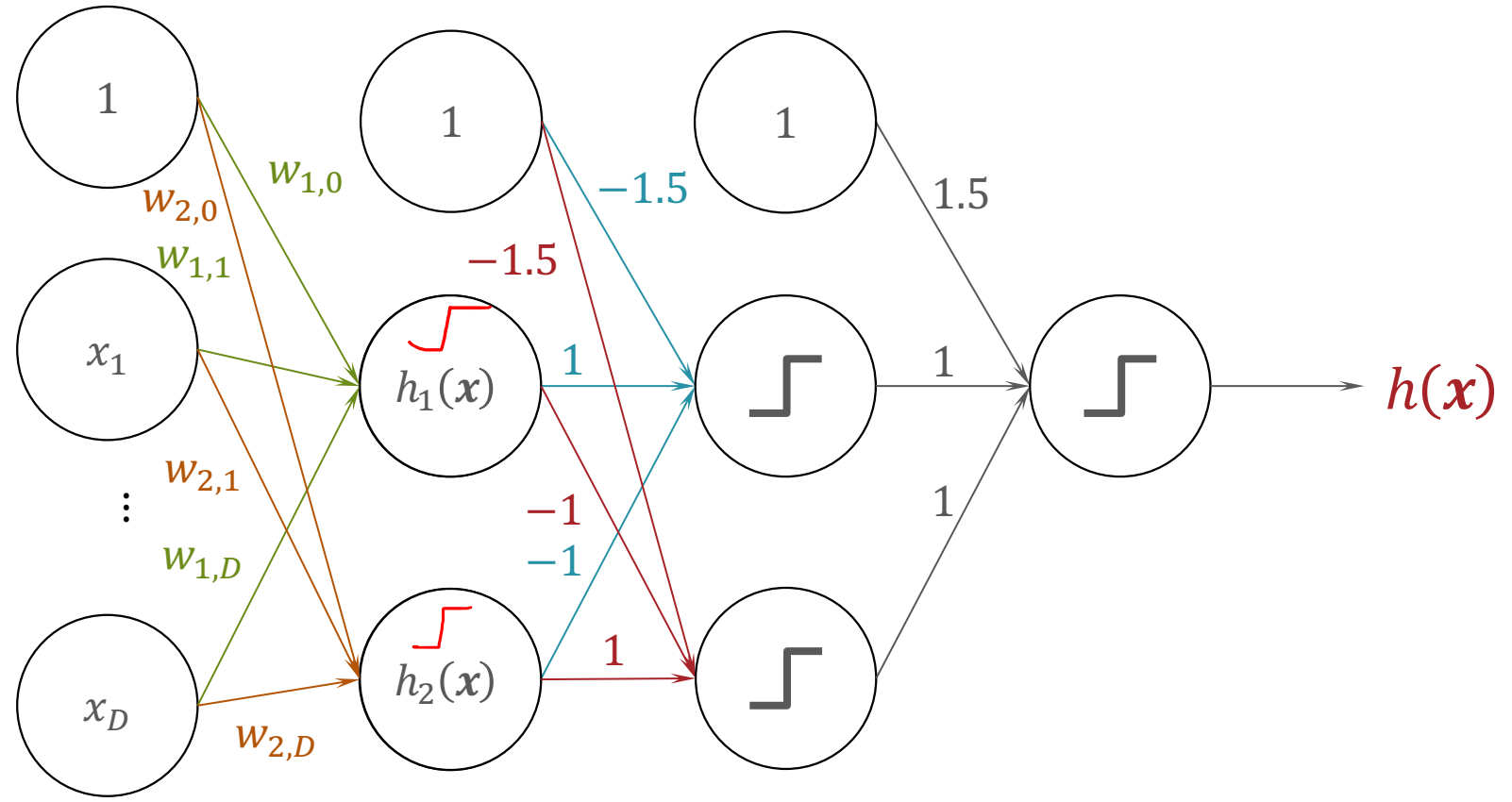
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$$h_i(\mathbf{x}) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{w}_i^T \mathbf{x}) = \text{sign} \left(\sum_{d=0}^D w_{i,d} x_d \right)$$

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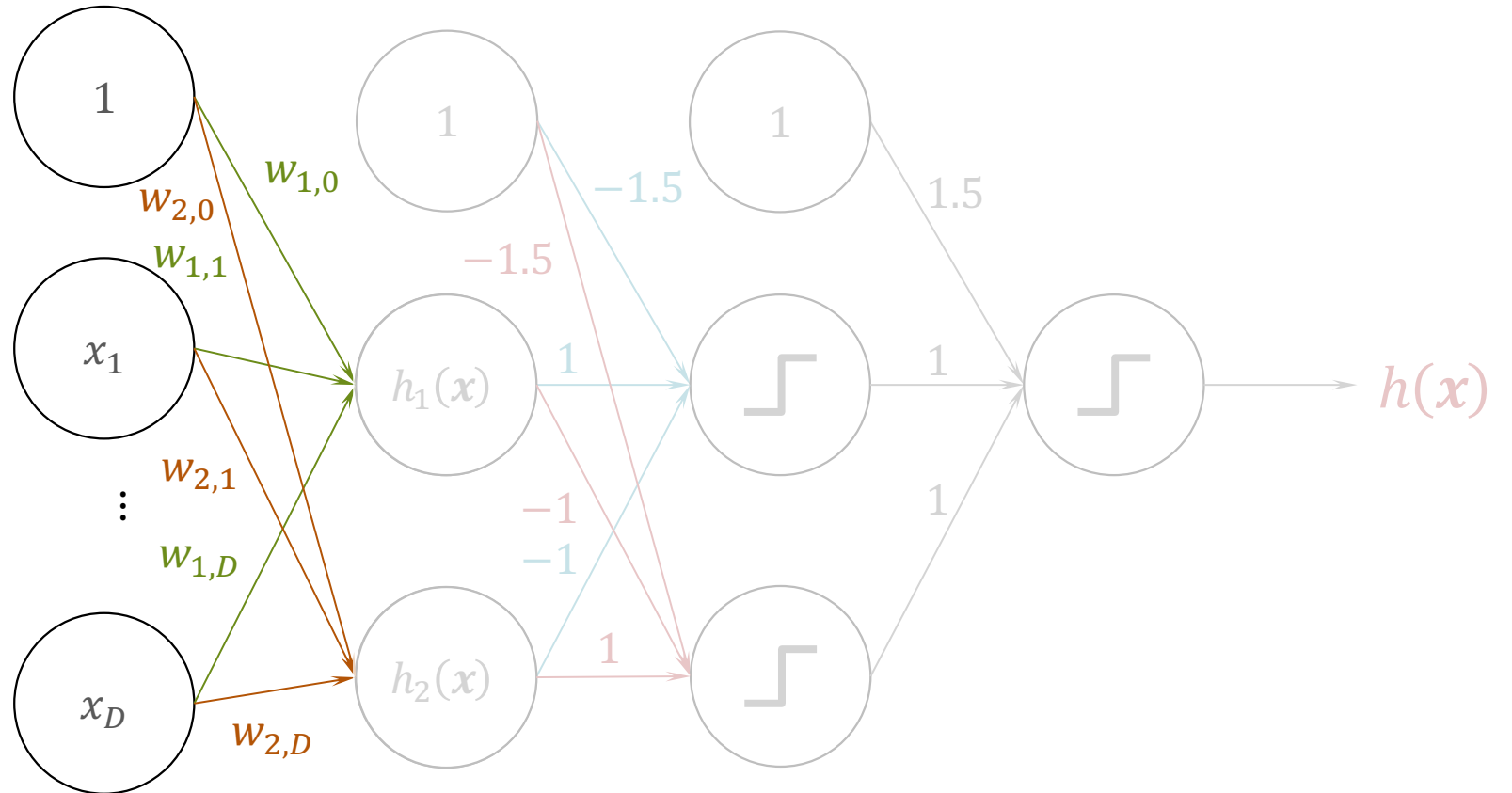
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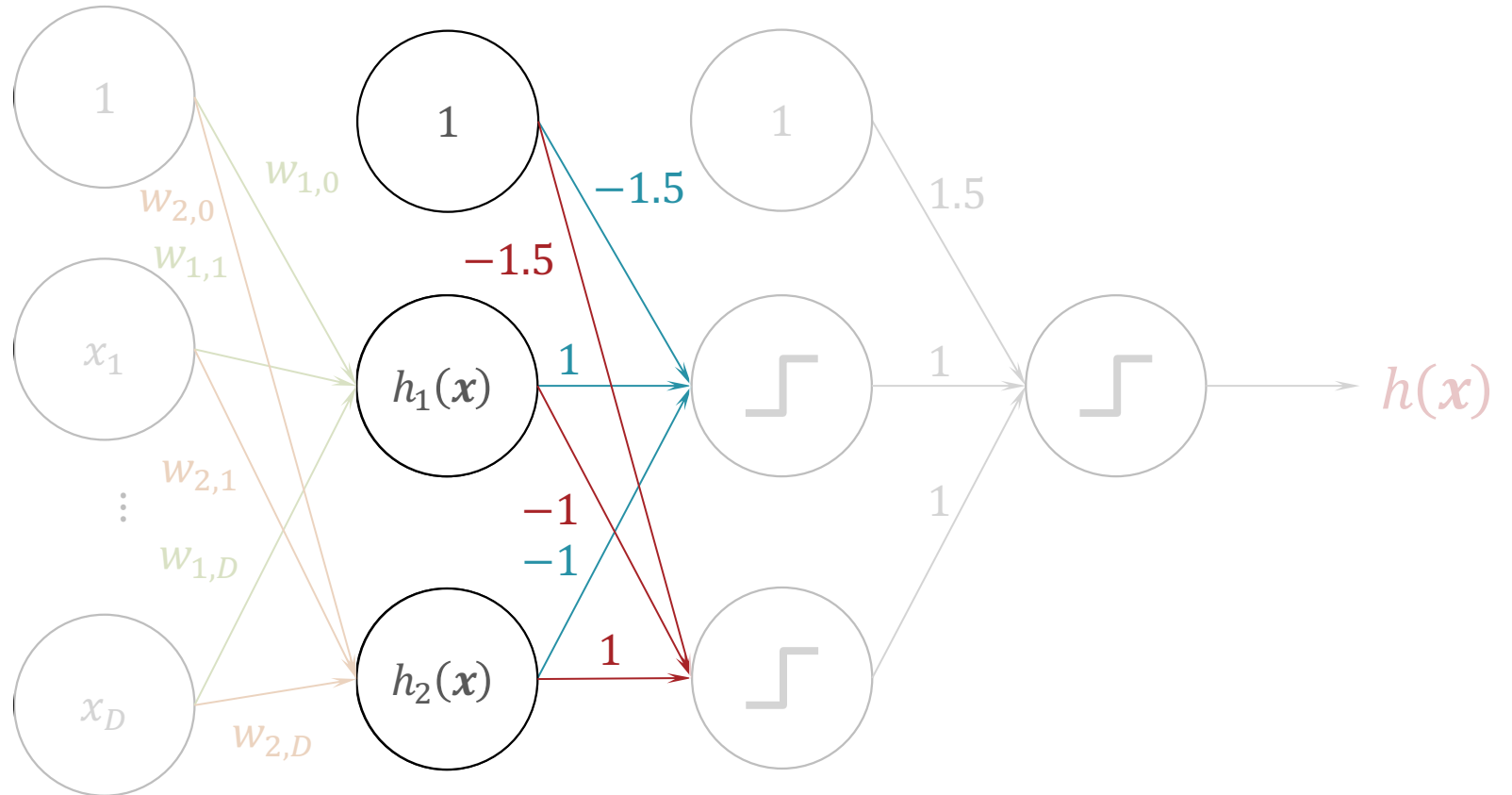
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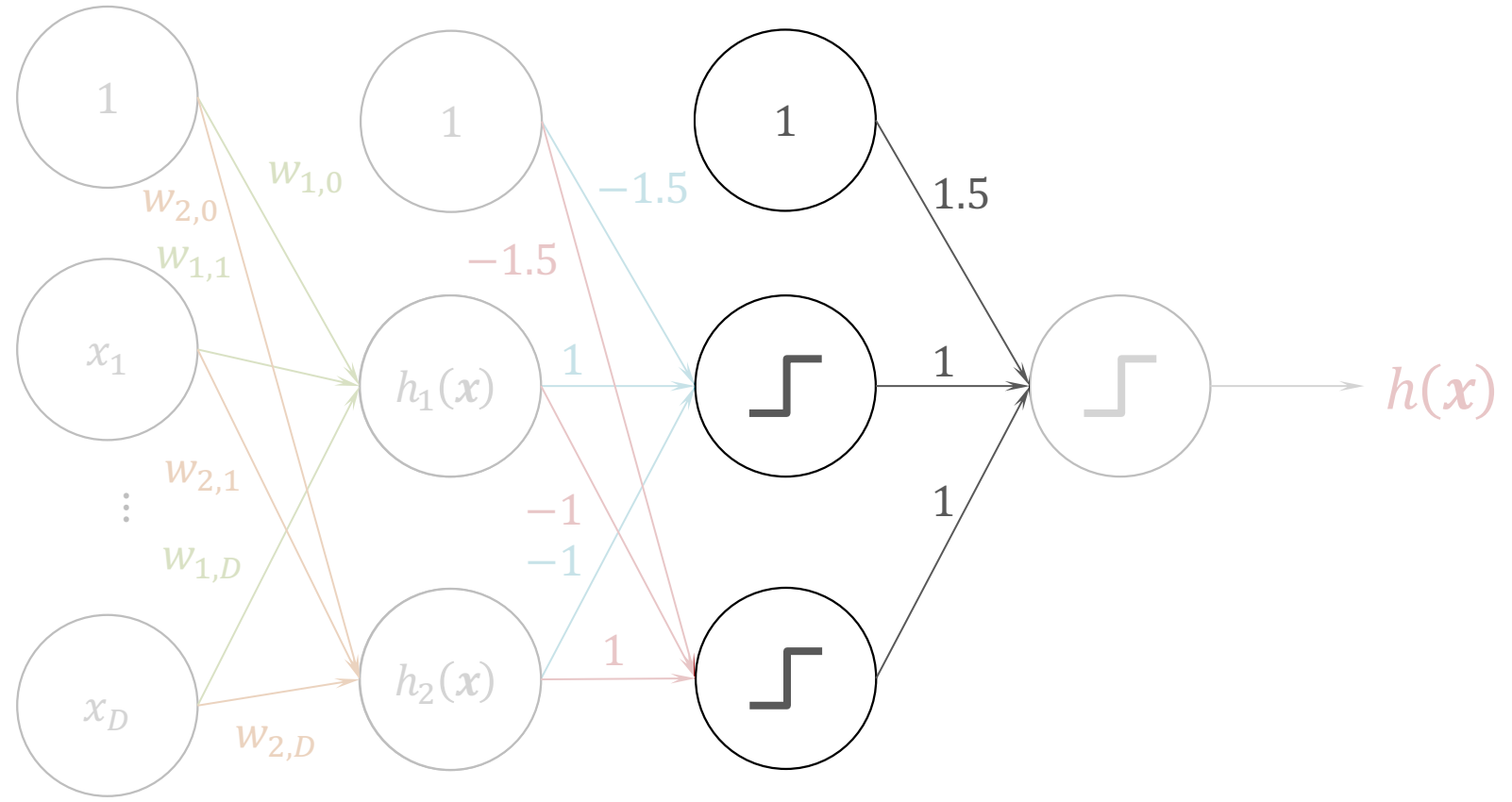
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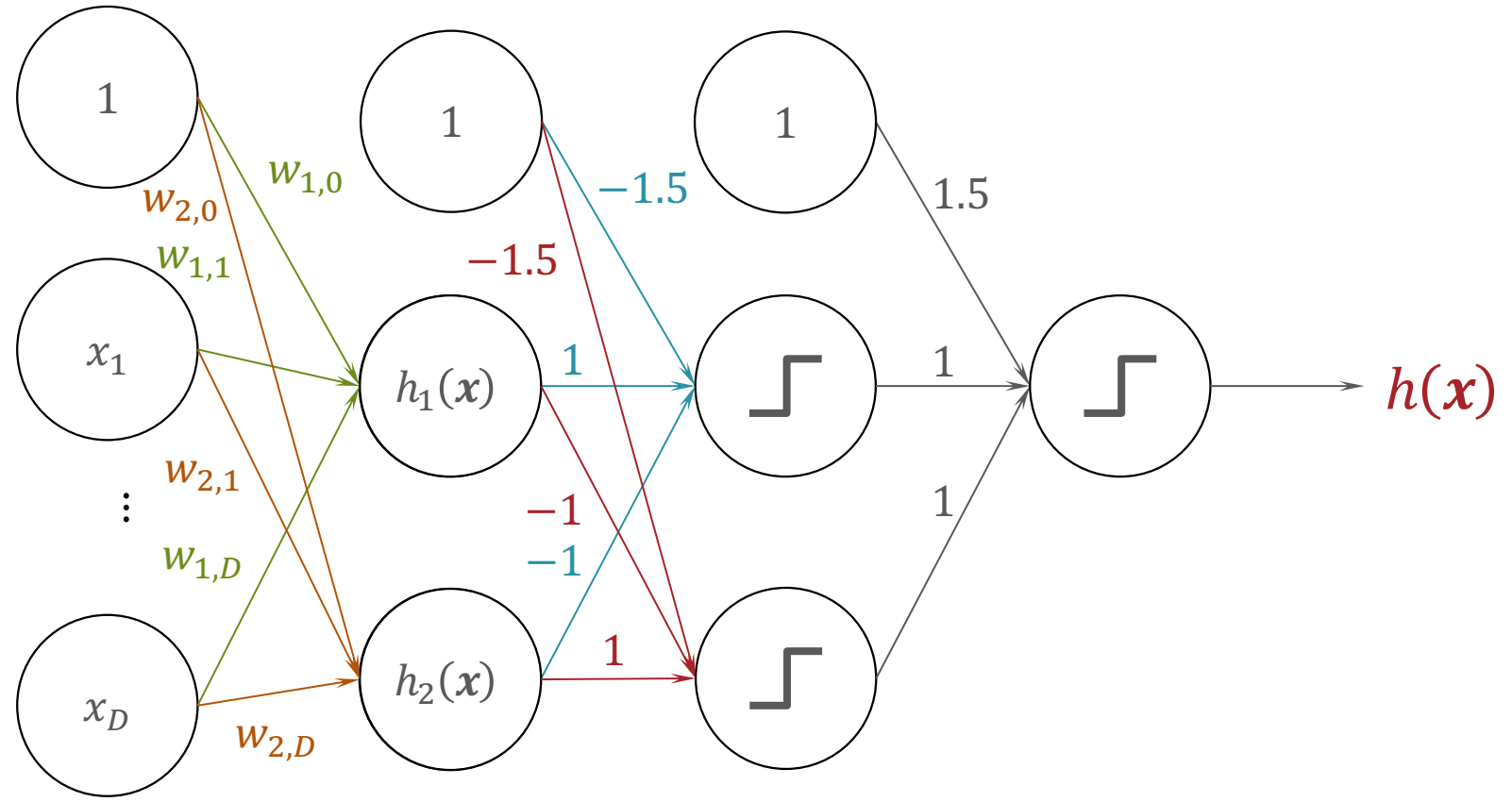
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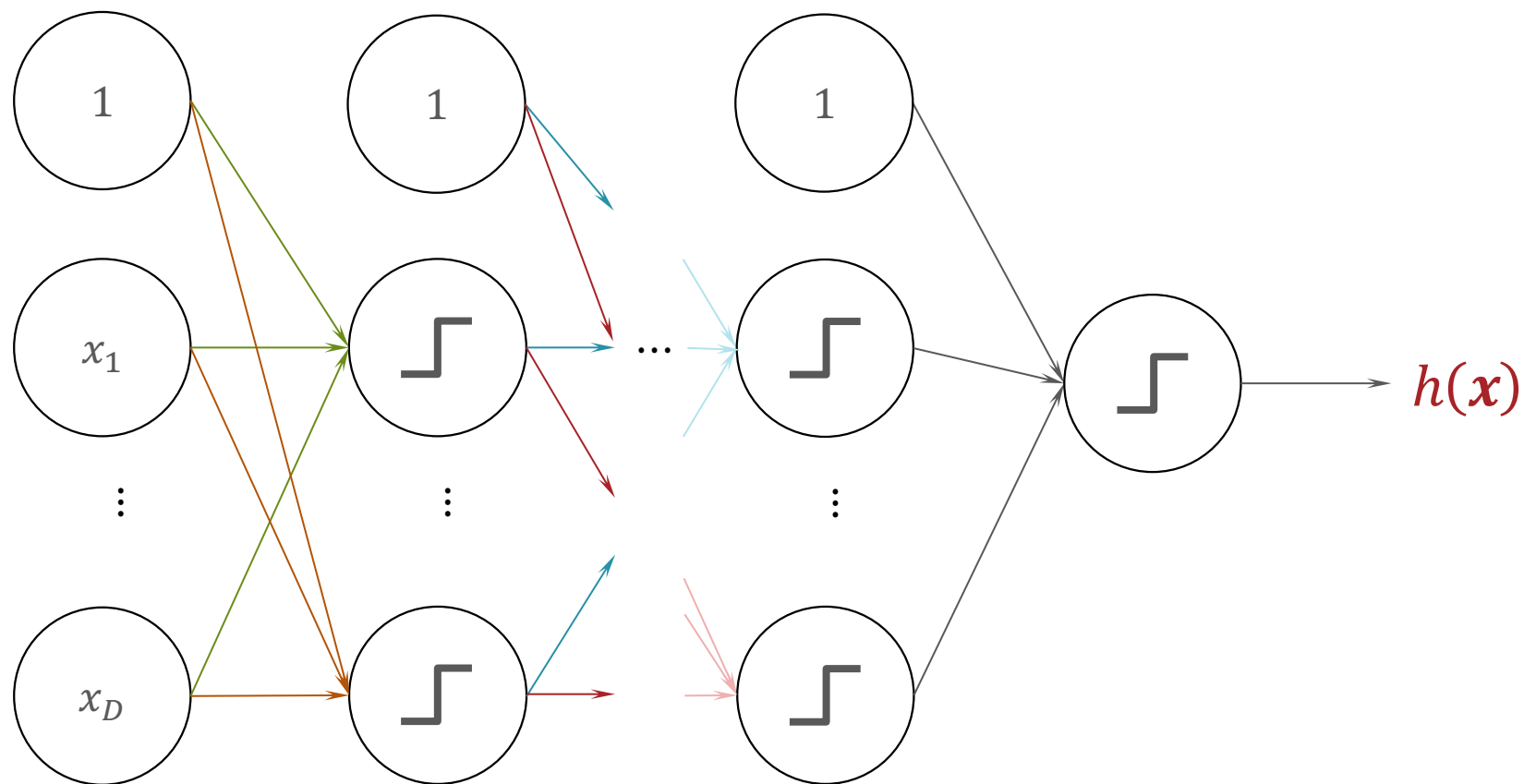
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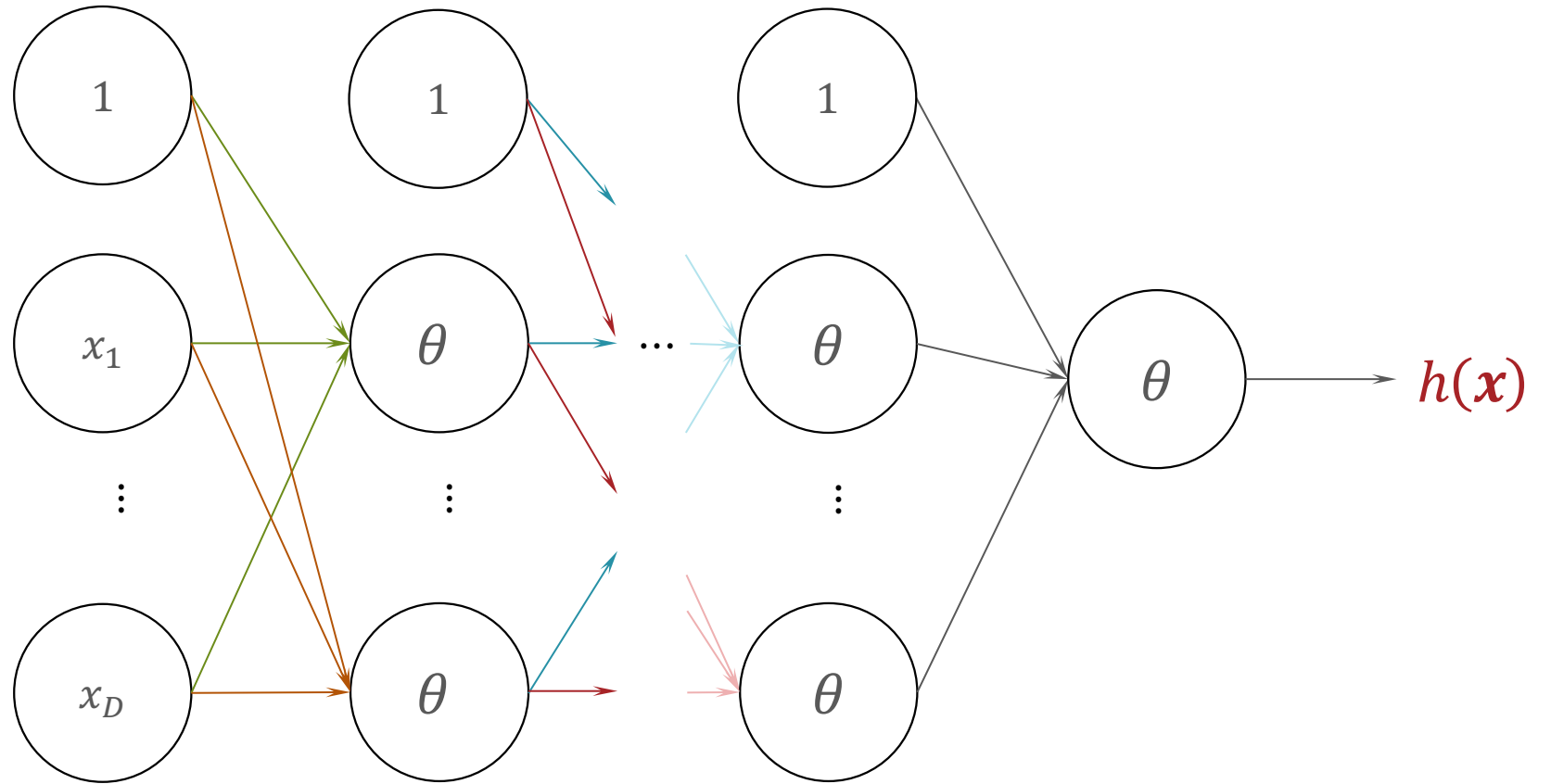


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Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)



(Fully-Connected) Feed Forward Neural Network

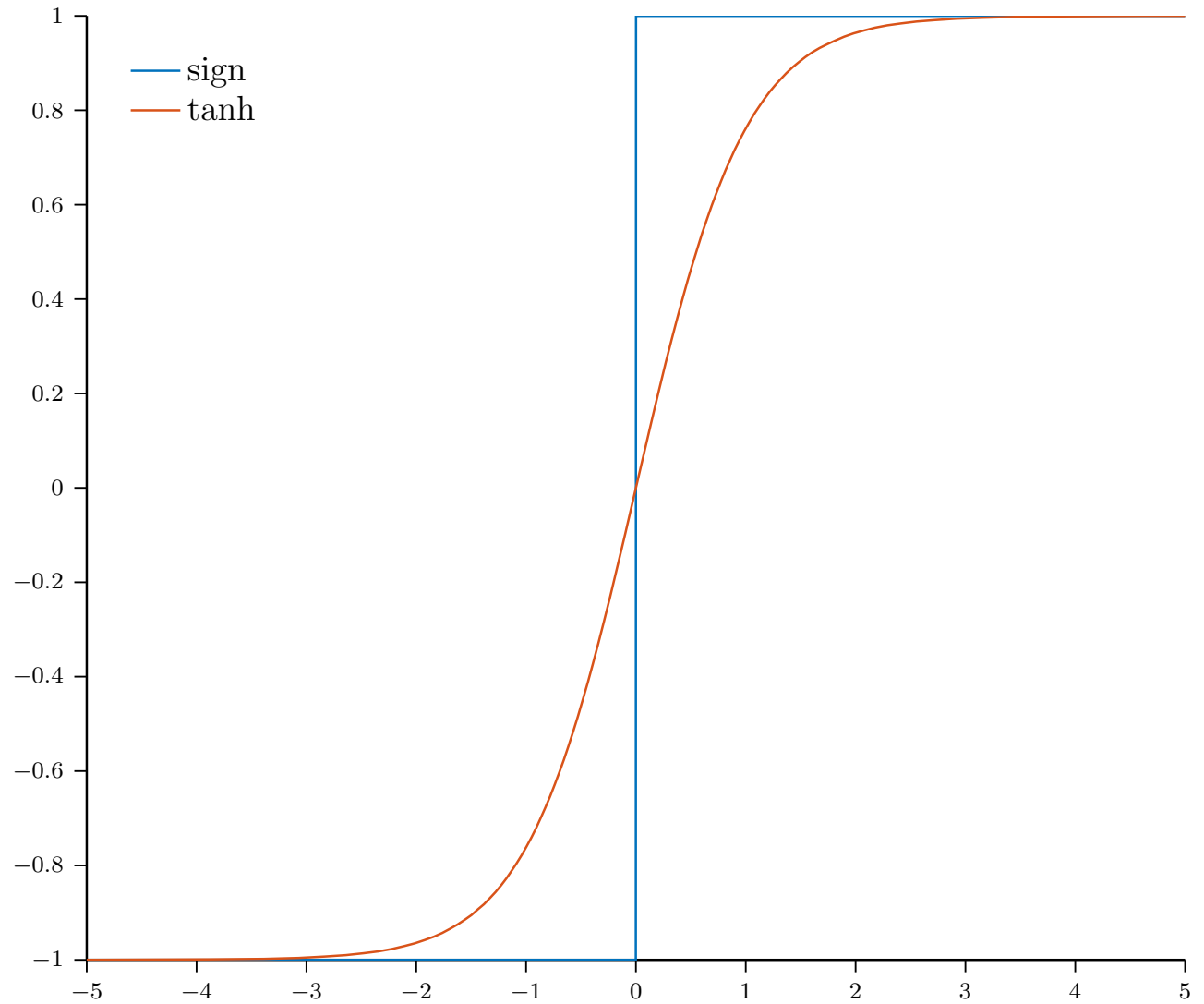


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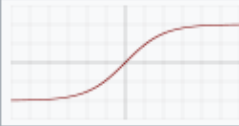
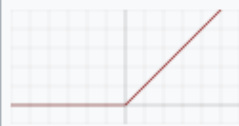
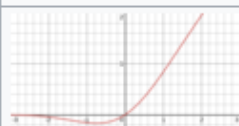
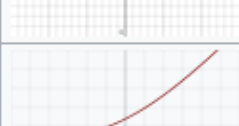



- Hyperbolic tangent:

$$\tanh(z) = \frac{\sinh(z)}{\cosh(z)} = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{e^z + e^{-z}}$$

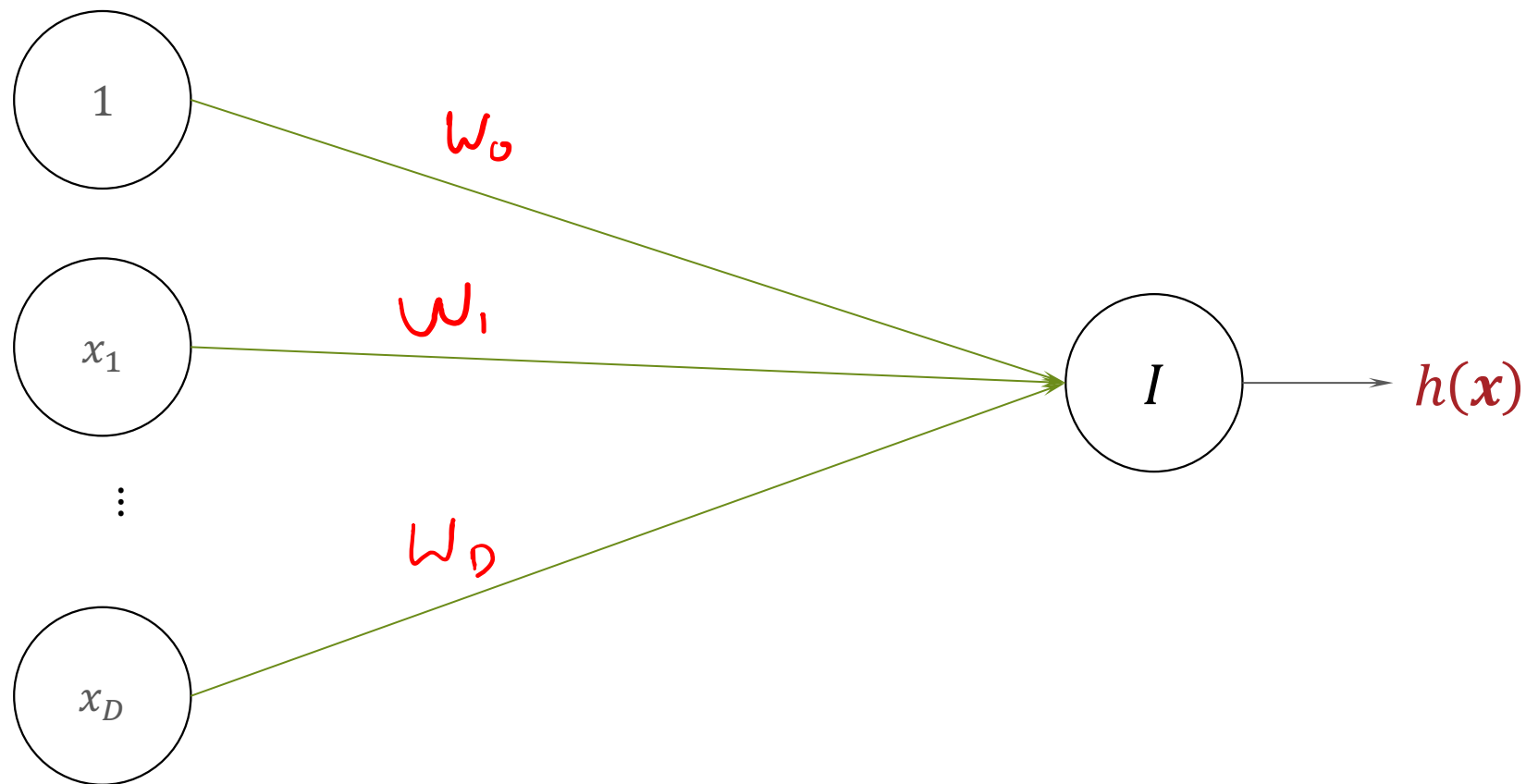
- $\frac{\partial \tanh(z)}{\partial z} = 1 - \tanh(z)^2$



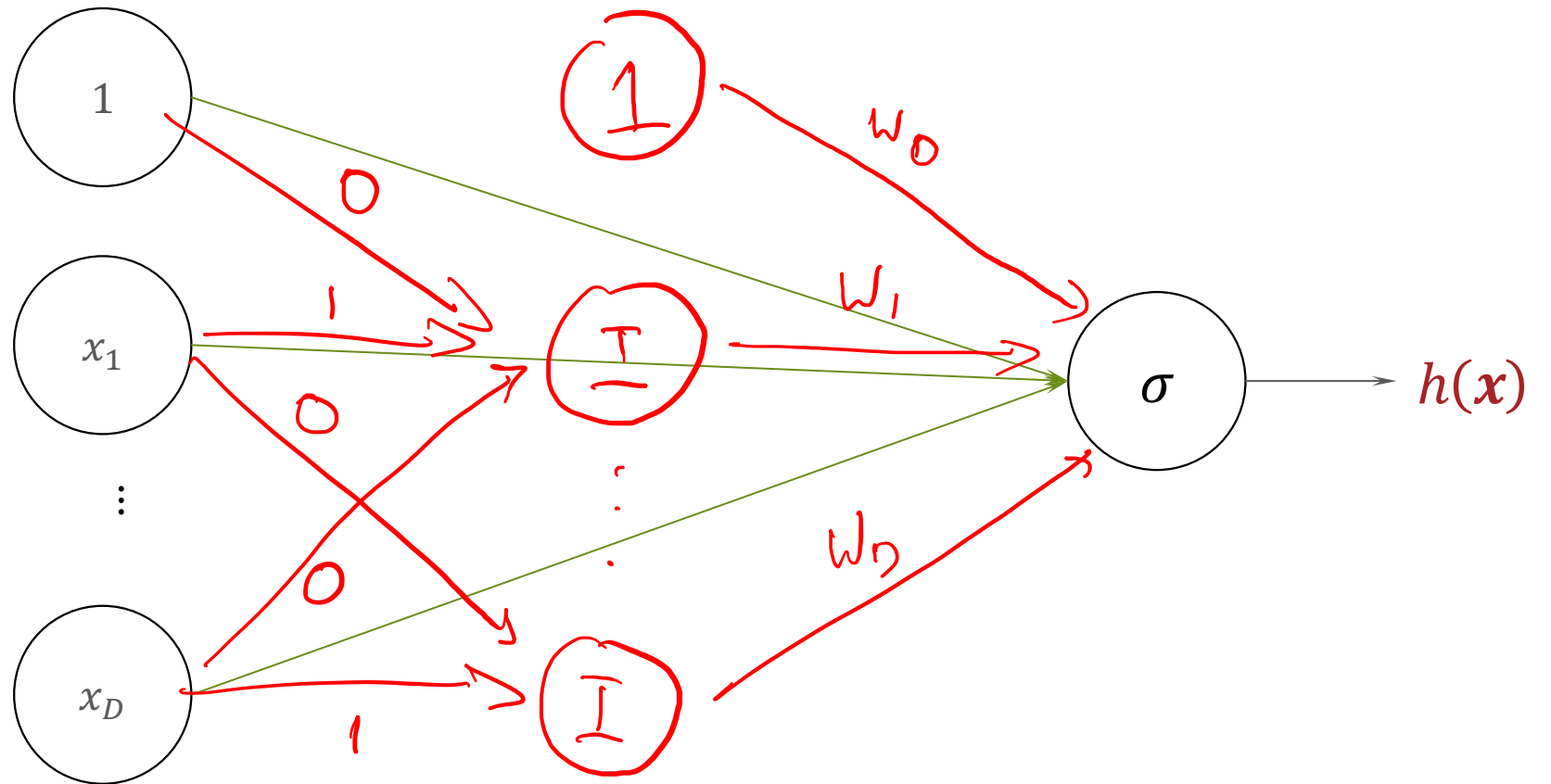
Other Activation Functions

Logistic, sigmoid, or soft step		$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$
Hyperbolic tangent (tanh)		$\tanh(x) = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$
Rectified linear unit (ReLU) ^[7]		$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$ $= \max\{0, x\} = x \mathbf{1}_{x>0}$
Gaussian Error Linear Unit (GELU) ^[4]		$\frac{1}{2}x \left(1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)$ $= x\Phi(x)$
Softplus ^[8]		$\ln(1 + e^x)$
Exponential linear unit (ELU) ^[9]		$\begin{cases} \alpha(e^x - 1) & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$ with parameter α
Leaky rectified linear unit (Leaky ReLU) ^[11]		$\begin{cases} 0.01x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$
Parametric rectified linear unit (PReLU) ^[12]		$\begin{cases} \alpha x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$ with parameter α

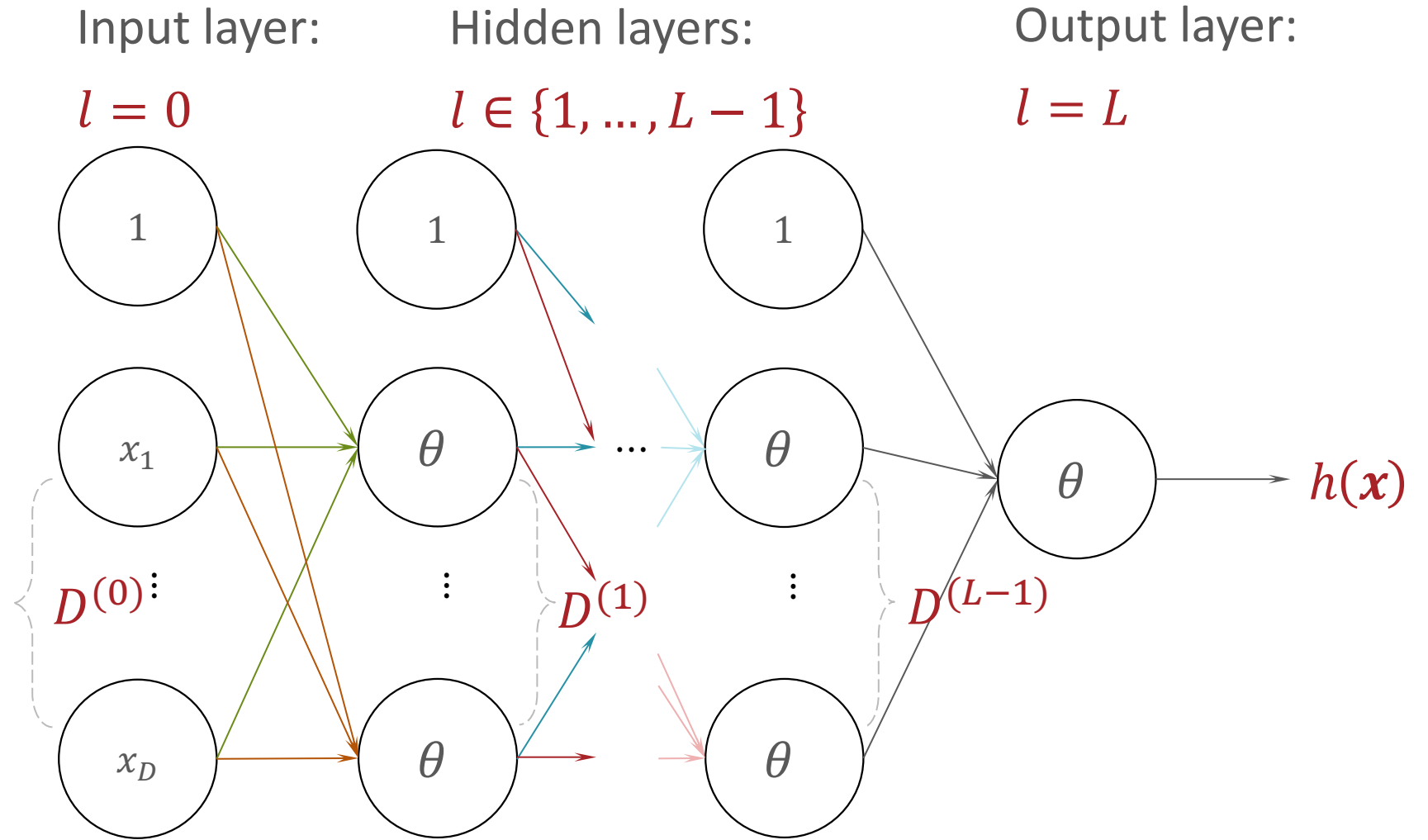
Linear Regression as a Neural Network



Logistic Regression as a Neural Network



(Fully-Connected) Feed Forward Neural Network

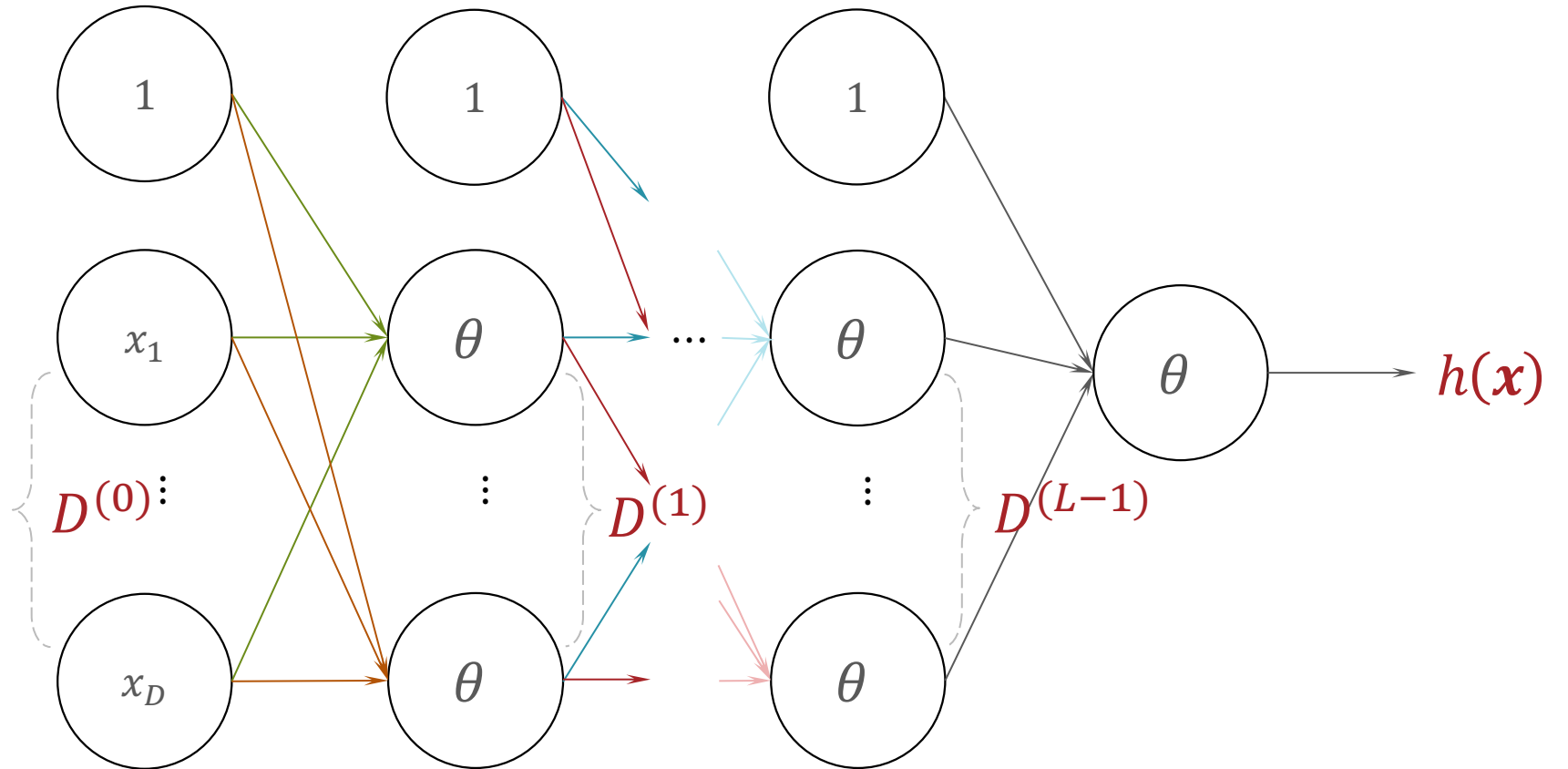


Layer l has dimension $D^{(l)}$ → Layer l has $D^{(l)} + 1$ nodes, counting the bias node

(Fully-Connected) Feed Forward Neural Network

The weights between layer $l - 1$ and layer l are a matrix:

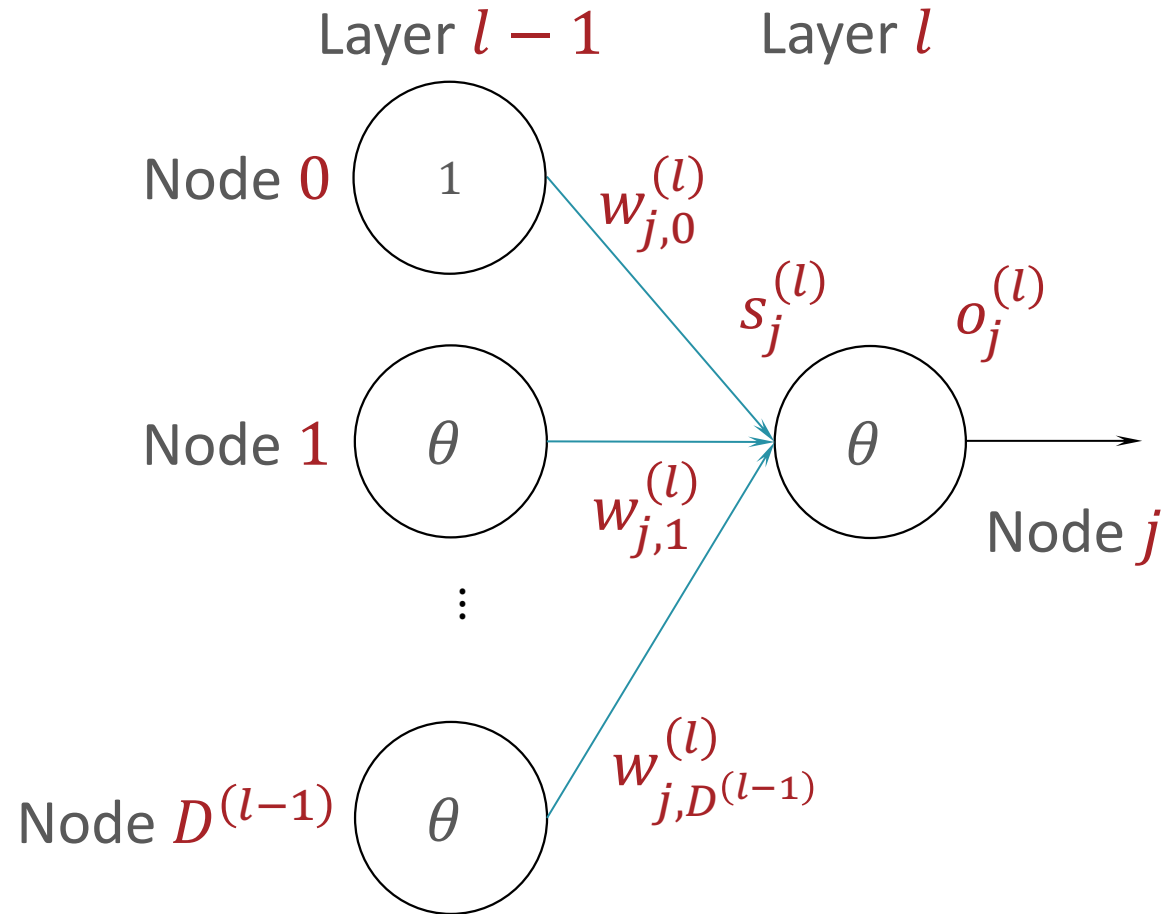
$$W^{(l)} \in \mathbb{R}^{D^{(l)} \times (D^{(l-1)}+1)}$$



$w_{j,i}^{(l)}$ is the weight between node i in layer $l - 1$ and node j in layer l

Signal and Outputs

Every node has an incoming *signal* and outgoing *output*



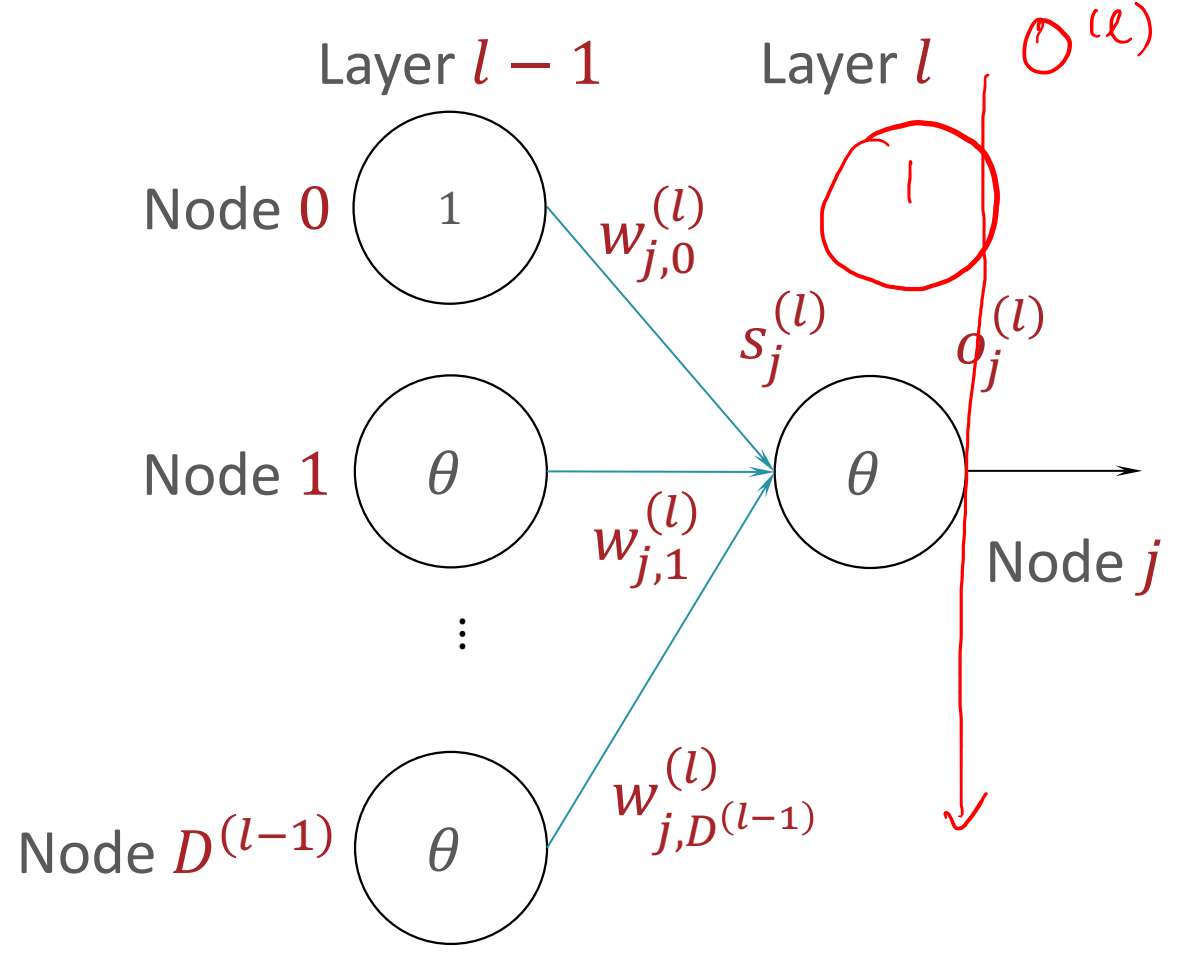
$$s_j^{(l)} = \sum_{i=0}^{D^{(l-1)}} w_{j,i}^{(l)} o_i^{(l-1)} \text{ and } o_j^{(l)} = \theta \left(s_j^{(l)} \right)$$

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Signal and Outputs

$$\mathbf{o}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_D \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mathbf{s}^{(l)} = \underbrace{W^{(l)} \mathbf{o}^{(l-1)}}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{D^{(l)}}} \text{ and } \mathbf{o}^{(l)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1, \theta(\mathbf{s}^{(l)}) \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Forward Propagation for Making Predictions

- Input: weights $W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}$ and a query data point \mathbf{x}
- Initialize $\mathbf{o}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$
- For $l = 1, \dots, L$
 - $\mathbf{s}^{(l)} = W^{(l)} \mathbf{o}^{(l-1)}$ ←
 - $\mathbf{o}^{(l)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \theta(\mathbf{s}^{(l)}) \end{bmatrix}$
- Output: $h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{o}^{(L)}$

Stochastic Gradient Descent for Learning

- Input: $\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^{(n)}, y^{(n)})\}_{n=1}^N, \eta^{(0)}$
- Initialize all weights $W_{(0)}^{(1)}, \dots, W_{(0)}^{(L)}$ to small, random numbers and set $t = 0$
- While TERMINATION CRITERION is not satisfied
 - For $i \in \text{shuffle}(\{1, \dots, N\})$
 - For $l = 1, \dots, L$
 - Compute $G^{(l)} = \nabla_{W^{(l)}} \ell^{(i)} \left(W_{(t)}^{(1)}, \dots, W_{(t)}^{(L)} \right)$
 - Update $W^{(l)}$: $W_{(t+1)}^{(l)} = W_{(t)}^{(l)} - \eta^{(0)} G^{(l)}$
 - Increment t : $t = t + 1$
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Two questions:

1. What is this loss function $\ell^{(i)}$?

2. How on earth do we take these gradients?

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Loss Functions for Neural Networks

- Regression - squared error (same as linear regression!)

$$\ell^{(i)}(W_{(t)}^{(1)}, \dots, W_{(t)}^{(L)}) = \underbrace{(h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2}$$

- Binary classification - cross-entropy loss

- Assume $P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{x}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}) = \underbrace{h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x})}$

$$\begin{aligned} \ell^{(i)}(W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}) &= -\log(P(y^{(i)} | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)})) \\ &= -\log(h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})^{y^{(i)}} (1 - h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}))^{1-y^{(i)}}) \\ &= -(y^{(i)} \log P(y^{(i)} = 1 | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}) \\ &\quad + (1-y^{(i)}) \log P(y^{(i)} = 0 | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)})) \end{aligned}$$

Loss Functions for Neural Networks

- Multi-class classification - also the cross-entropy loss!
 - Express the label as a one-hot or one-of- C vector e.g.,

$$y = [0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0]$$

- Assume the neural network output is also a vector of length C

$$P(y[c] = 1 | \mathbf{x}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}) = h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x})[c]$$

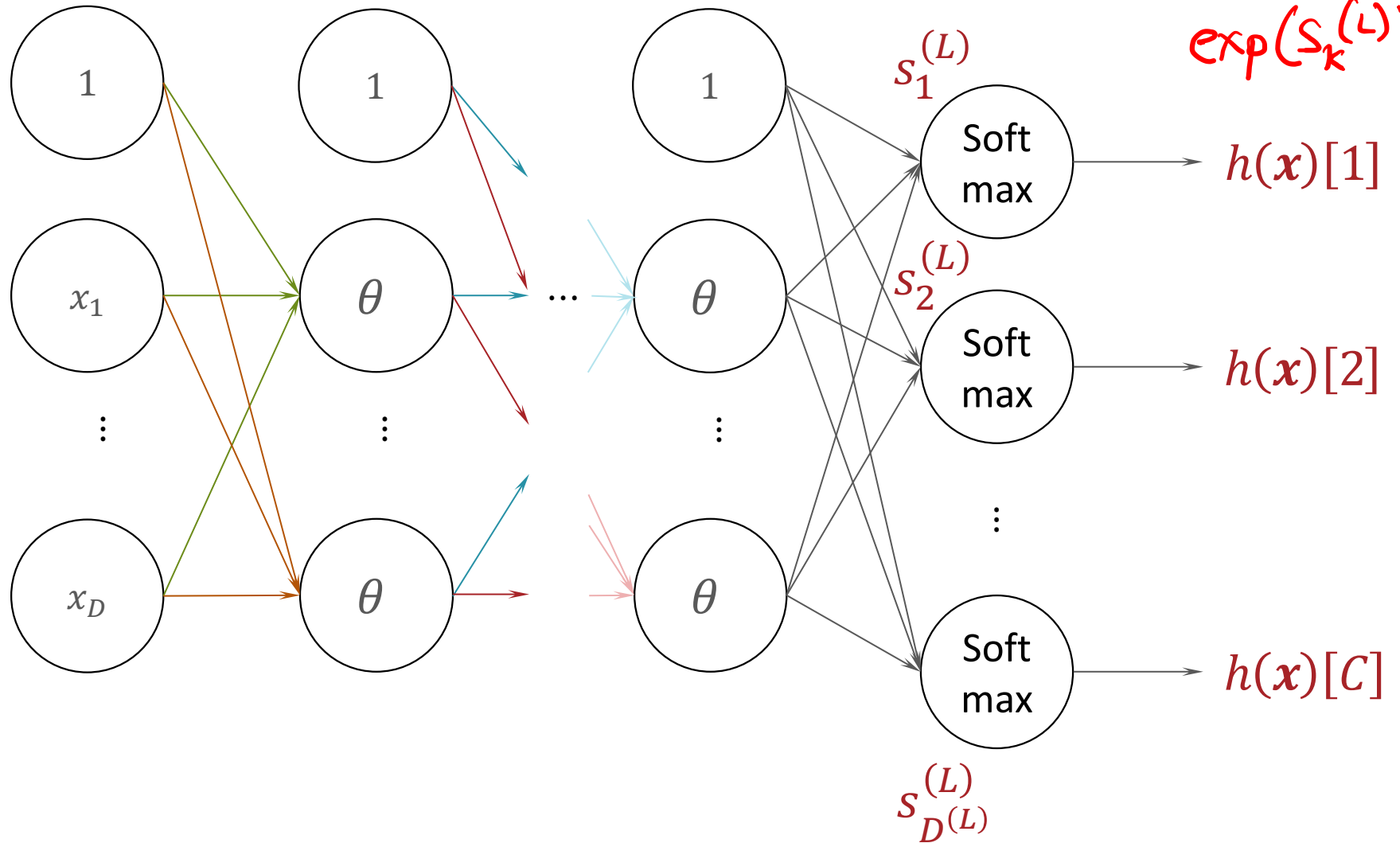
\rightarrow e.g. $o^{(L)} = [0.1 \quad 0.2 \quad 0.05 \quad \dots \quad 0.3]$

- Then the cross-entropy loss is

$$\ell^{(i)}(W_{(t)}^{(1)}, \dots, W_{(t)}^{(L)}) = -\log P(y^{(i)} | \mathbf{x}^{(i)}, W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)})$$

$$= -\sum_{c=1}^C y[c] \log h_{W^{(1)}, \dots, W^{(L)}}(\mathbf{x}^{(i)})[c]$$

Multi-dimensional Outputs



Key Takeaways

- Many common machine learning models can be represented as neural networks.
- Perceptrons can be combined to achieve non-linear decision boundaries
- Feed-forward neural network model:
 - Activation function
 - Layers: input, hidden & output
 - Weight matrices
 - Signals & outputs
- Forward propagation for making predictions
- Neural networks can use the same loss functions as other machine learning models