# Multilayer Networks 

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Vector $x_{1} \ldots x_{d}$
inputs encoded as
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f\left(\sum_{i} W_{i} x_{i}+b\right)
$$

multiply inputs by

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## Output

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Vector $x_{1} \ldots x_{d}$

$$
\text { ( }\left(\sum^{m_{x+}+6}\right)
$$

add bias

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## Activation

## Output



Why is it called activation?


## In the shallow end

- This is still logistic regression
- Engineering features $x$ is difficult (and requires expertise)
- Can we learn how to represent inputs into final decision?


## Better name: non-linearity

- Logistic / Sigmoid

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\begin{equation*}
f(x)=\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

- tanh

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f(x)=\tanh (x)=\frac{2}{1+e^{-2 x}}-1 \tag{2}
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- ReLU

$$
f(x)=\left\{\begin{array}{lll}
0 & \text { for } & x<0  \tag{3}\\
x & \text { for } & x \geq 0
\end{array}\right.
$$

- SoftPlus: $f(x)=\ln \left(1+e^{x}\right)$


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- Adjust parameters to optimize $J$


## Gradient Descent

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Optimize $J$ with respect to variables $W$ and $b$


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(chain rule)

## Partial Derivatives

- For weights, the partial derivatives are

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\frac{\partial}{\partial W_{i j}^{(I)}} J(W, b ; x, y)=a_{j}^{(I)} \delta_{i}^{(I+1)} \tag{10}
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- For the bias terms, the partial derivatives are

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\begin{equation*}
\frac{\partial}{\partial b_{i}^{(I)}} J(W, b ; x, y)=\delta_{i}^{(l+1)} \tag{11}
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- But this is just for a single example ...


## Full Gradient Descent Algorithm

1. Initialize $U^{(I)}$ and $V^{(I)}$ as zero
2. For each example $i=1 \ldots m$
2.1 Use backpropagation to compute $\nabla_{W} J$ and $\nabla_{b} J$
2.2 Update weight shifts $U^{(I)}=U^{(I)}+\nabla_{W^{(I)}} J(W, b ; x, y)$
2.3 Update bias shifts $V^{(I)}=V^{(I)}+\nabla_{b^{(1)}} J(W, b ; x, y)$
3. Update the parameters

$$
\begin{align*}
w^{(I)} & =W^{(I)}-\alpha\left[\left(\frac{1}{m} U^{(I)}\right)\right]  \tag{12}\\
b^{(I)} & =b^{(I)}-\alpha\left[\frac{1}{m} V^{(I)}\right] \tag{13}
\end{align*}
$$

4. Repeat until weights stop changing

## But it is not perfect

- Compare against baselines: randomized features, nearest-neighbors, linear models
- Optimization is hard (alchemy)
- Models are often not interpretable
- Requires specialized hardware and tons of data to scale

