

CS388: Natural Language Processing

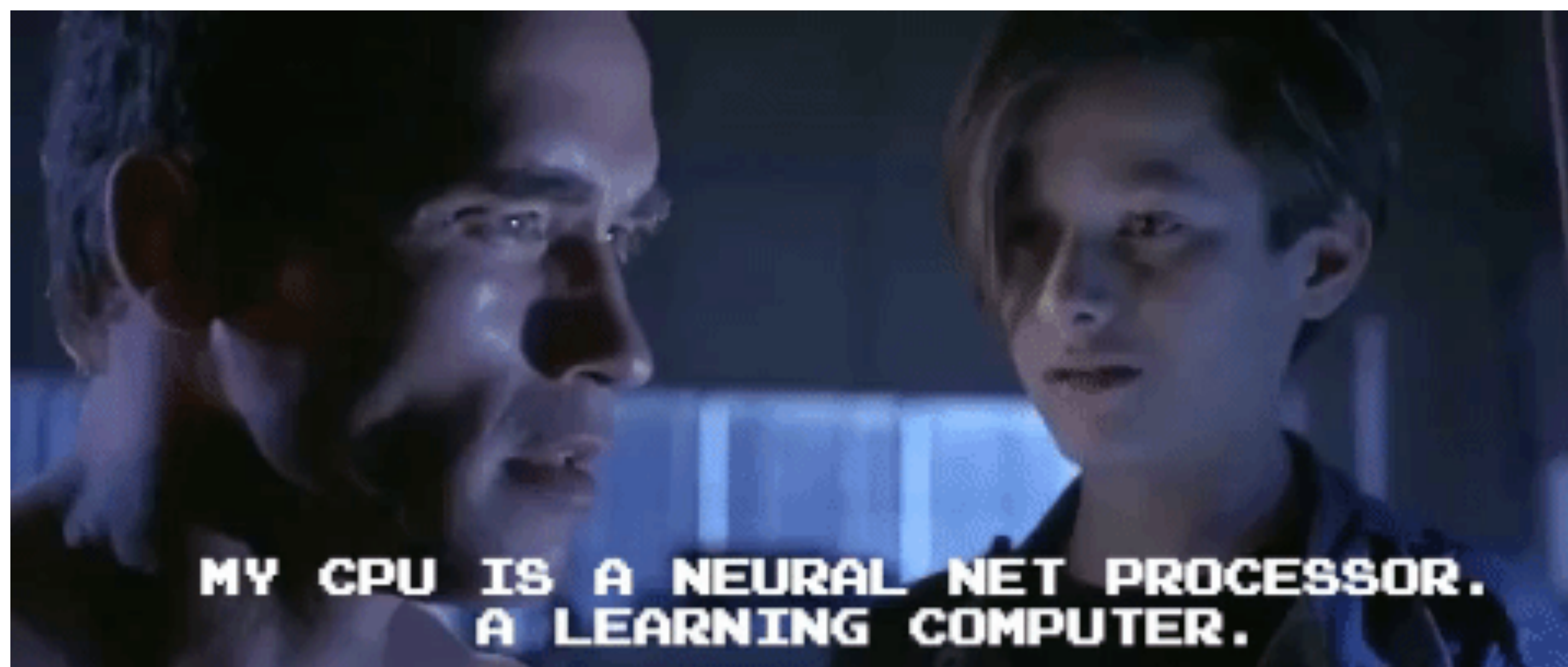
Lecture 6: Neural Networks

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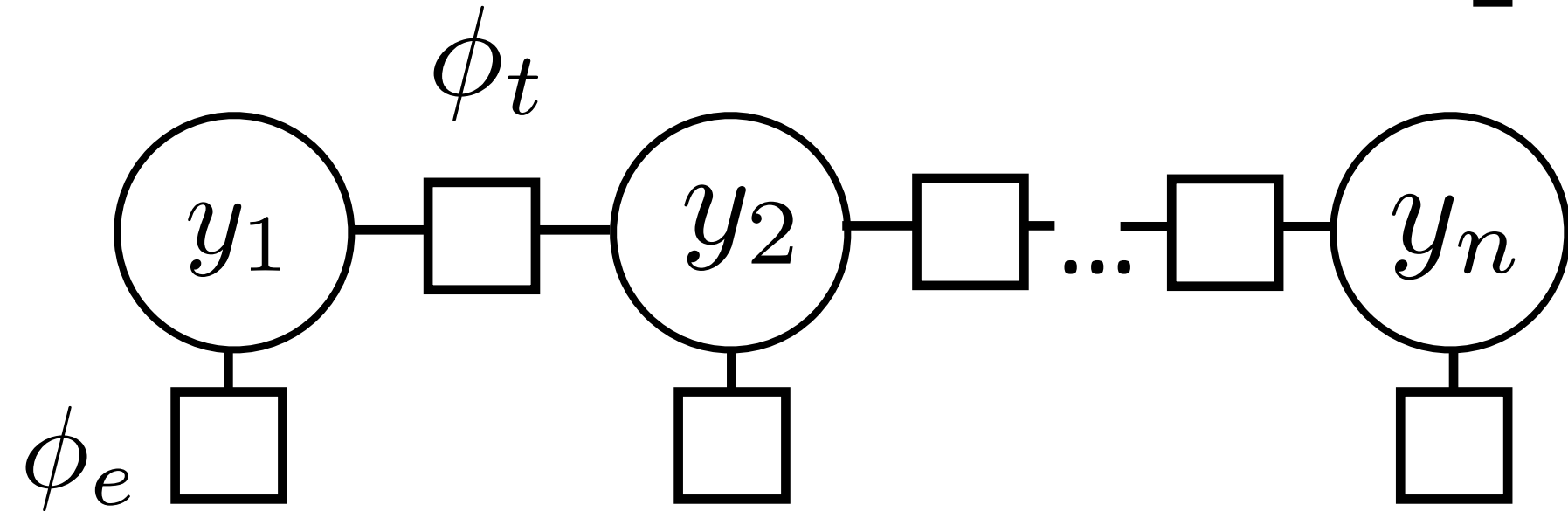
Administrivia

- ▶ Mini 1 graded by next week
- ▶ Project 1 due in a week



Recall: Sequential CRFs

► **Model:** $P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp w^\top \left[\sum_{i=2}^n f_t(y_{i-1}, y_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n f_e(y_i, i, \mathbf{x}) \right]$



► Emission features capture word-level info, transitions enforce tag consistency

► Inference: $\operatorname{argmax} P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$ from Viterbi

► Learning: run forward-backward to compute posterior probabilities; then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_e(y_i^*, i, \mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_s P(y_i = s | \mathbf{x}) f_e(s, i, \mathbf{x})$$



Recall: NER Feats Example

B-PER I-PER O O

Barack Obama will travel

$$\begin{aligned} \text{feats} = & \mathbf{f}_e(\text{B-PER}, i=1, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{f}_e(\text{I-PER}, i=2, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{f}_e(\text{O}, i=3, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{f}_e(\text{O}, i=4, \mathbf{x}) \\ & + \mathbf{f}_t(\text{B-PER}, \text{I-PER}, i=1, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{f}_t(\text{I-PER}, \text{O}, i=2, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{f}_t(\text{O}, \text{O}, i=3, \mathbf{x}) \end{aligned}$$

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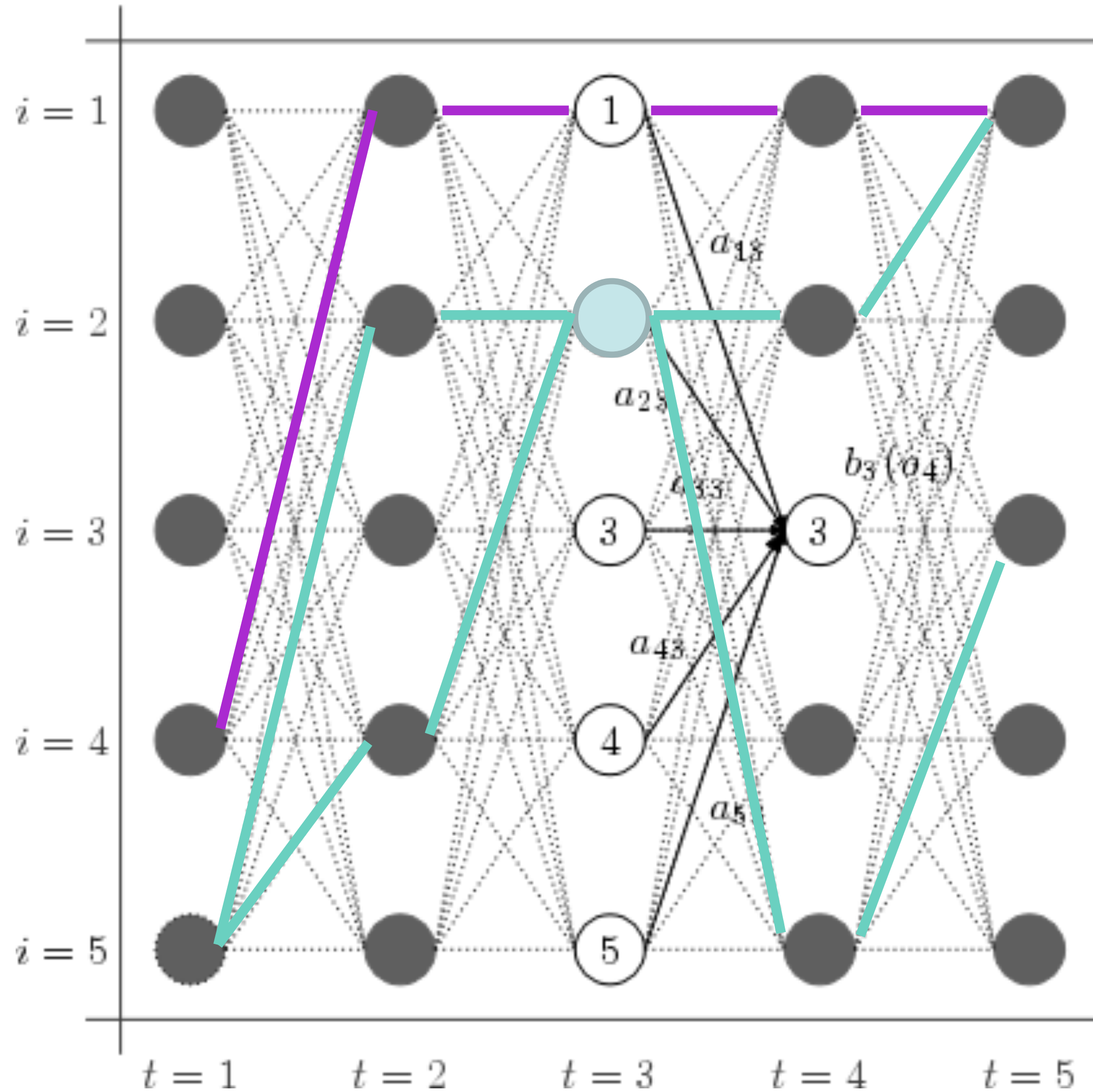
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- *Obama* can start a new named entity (**emission feats** look okay), but we're not likely to have two PER entities in a row (**transition feats**)



Recall: Forward-Backward Algorithm

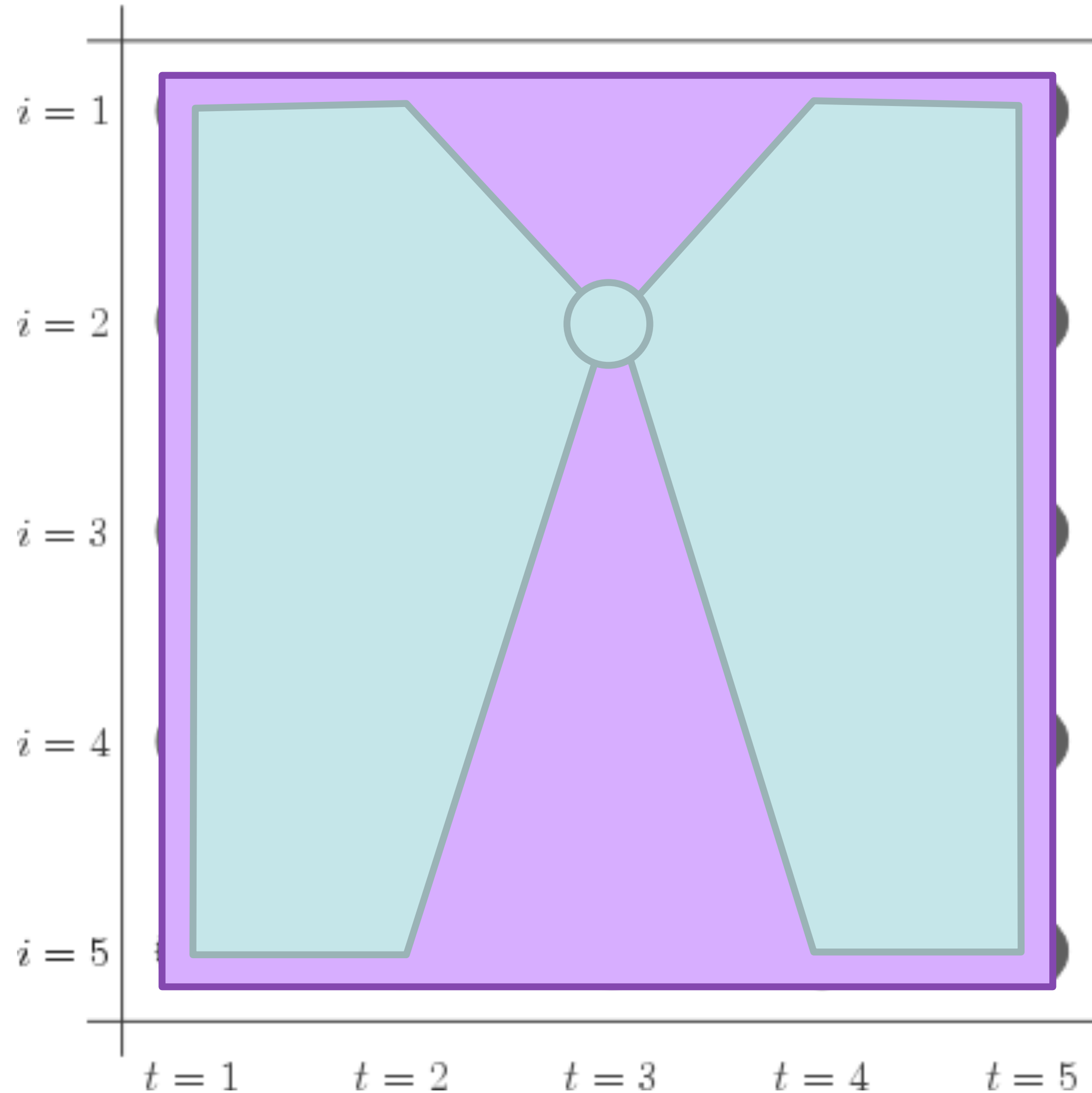


$$P(y_3 = 2 | \mathbf{x}) =$$

$$\frac{\text{sum of all paths through state 2 at time 3}}{\text{sum of all paths}}$$



Recall: Forward-Backward Algorithm



$$P(y_3 = 2 | \mathbf{x}) =$$

sum of all paths through state 2 at time 3
sum of all paths

$$= \frac{\text{light blue shape}}{\text{purple shape}}$$

- Easiest and most flexible to do one pass to compute and one to compute



Recall: Implementation Tips for CRFs

- ▶ Caching is your friend! Cache feature vectors especially
- ▶ Do all dynamic program computation in log space to avoid underflow
- ▶ For transitions: there are various hardcoding schemes you can explore. Use log probabilities from HMM, use 0 or -infinity based on whether the transition is legal or not, ...



This Lecture

- ▶ Finish discussion of NER
- ▶ Neural network history
- ▶ Neural network basics
- ▶ Feedforward neural networks + backpropagation
- ▶ Applications
- ▶ Implementing neural networks (if time)

NER



Evaluating NER

B-PER I-PER O O O B-LOC O O O B-ORG O O

Barack Obama will travel to Hangzhou today for the G20 meeting .

PERSON

LOC

ORG

- ▶ Prediction of all Os still gets 66% accuracy on this example!
- ▶ What we really want to know: how many named entity *chunk* predictions did we get right?
 - ▶ Precision: of the ones we predicted, how many are right?
 - ▶ Recall: of the gold named entities, how many did we find?
 - ▶ F-measure: harmonic mean of these two



NER

- ▶ CRF with lexical features can get around 85 F1 on CoNLL 2003: 4 classes (PER, ORG, LOC, MISC), newswire data
- ▶ Other pieces of information that many systems capture
- ▶ World knowledge:

The delegation met the president at the airport, **Tanjug** said.

Tanjug

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Tanjug (/ˈtʌnjʊɡ/) ([Serbian Cyrillic](#): Танјуг) is a Serbian state news agency based in [Belgrade](#).^[2]



Nonlocal Features

The news agency **Tanjug** reported on the outcome of the meeting.

ORG?

PER?

The delegation met the president at the airport, **Tanjug** said.

- ▶ More complex factor graph structures can let you capture this, or just decode sentences in order and use features on previous sentences



How well do NER systems do?

	System	Resources Used	F_1
+	LBJ-NER	Wikipedia, Nonlocal Features, Word-class Model	90.80
-	(Suzuki and Isozaki, 2008)	Semi-supervised on 1G-word unlabeled data	89.92
-	(Ando and Zhang, 2005)	Semi-supervised on 27M-word unlabeled data	89.31
-	(Kazama and Torisawa, 2007a)	Wikipedia	88.02
-	(Krishnan and Manning, 2006)	Non-local Features	87.24
-	(Kazama and Torisawa, 2007b)	Non-local Features	87.17
+	(Finkel et al., 2005)	Non-local Features	86.86

Ratinov and Roth (2009)

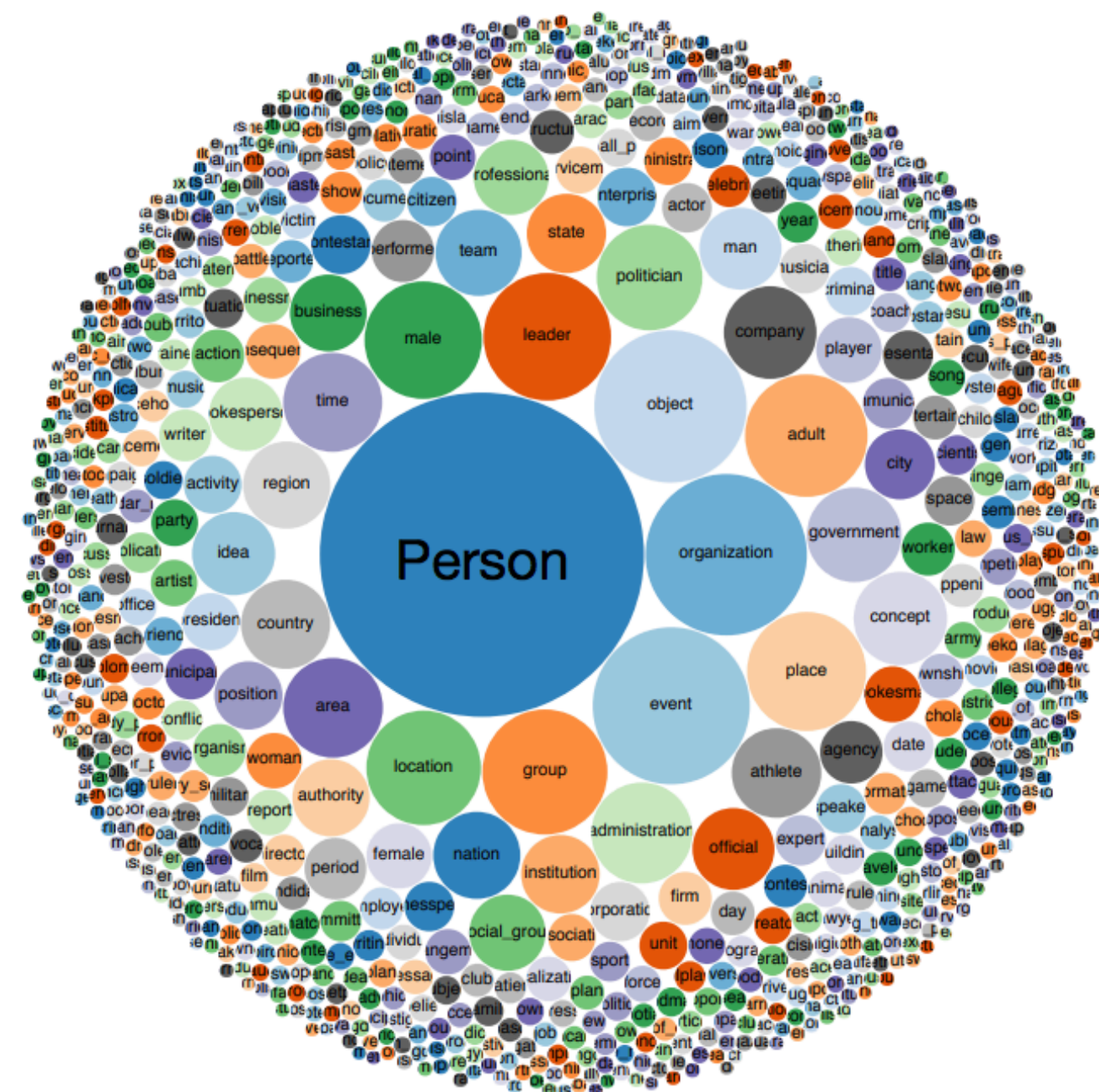
Lample et al. (2016)

LSTM-CRF (no char)	90.20
LSTM-CRF	90.94
S-LSTM (no char)	87.96
S-LSTM	90.33

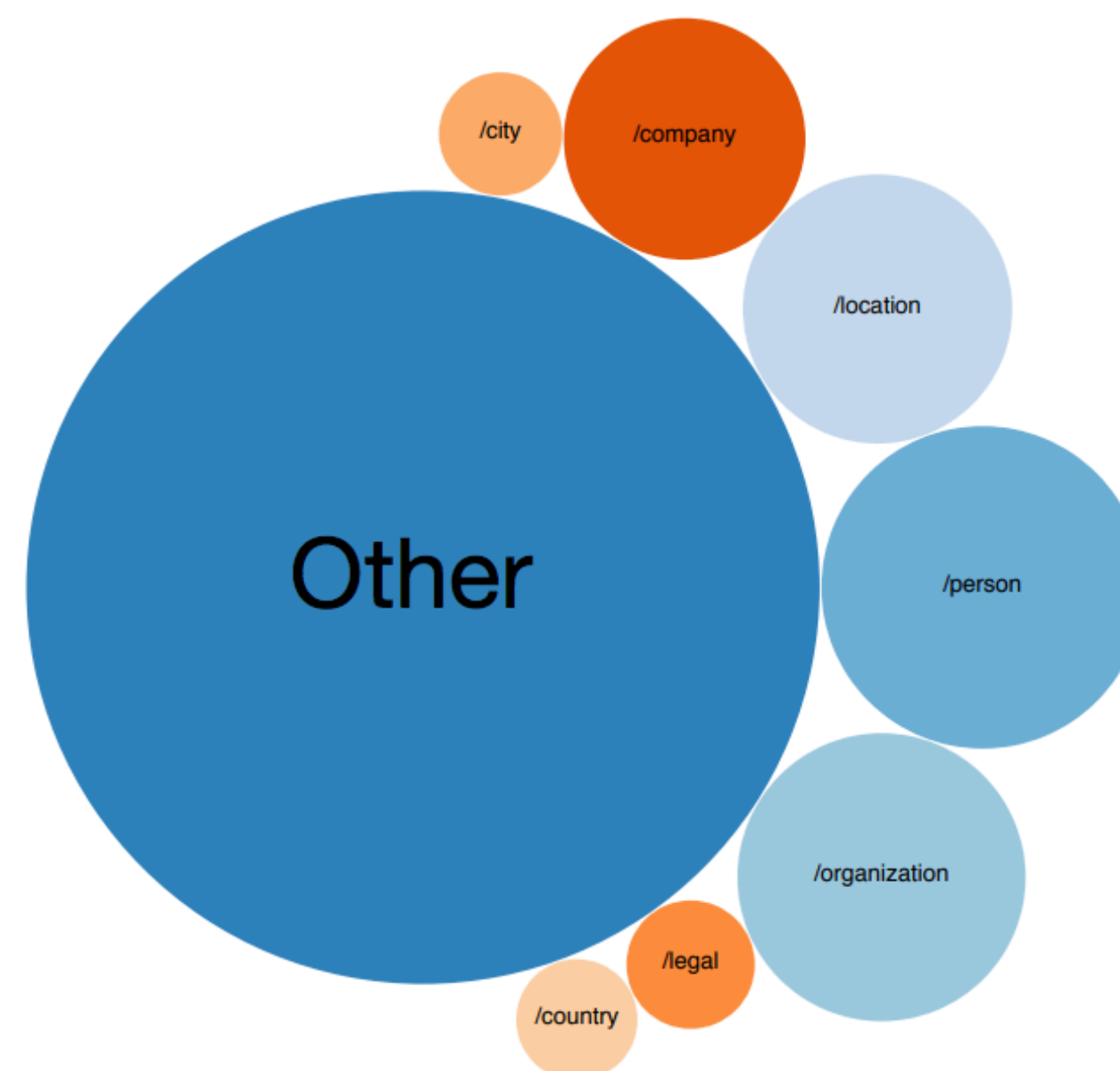
BiLSTM-CRF + ELMo
Peters et al. (2018) **92.2**

BERT
Devlin et al. (2019) **92.8**

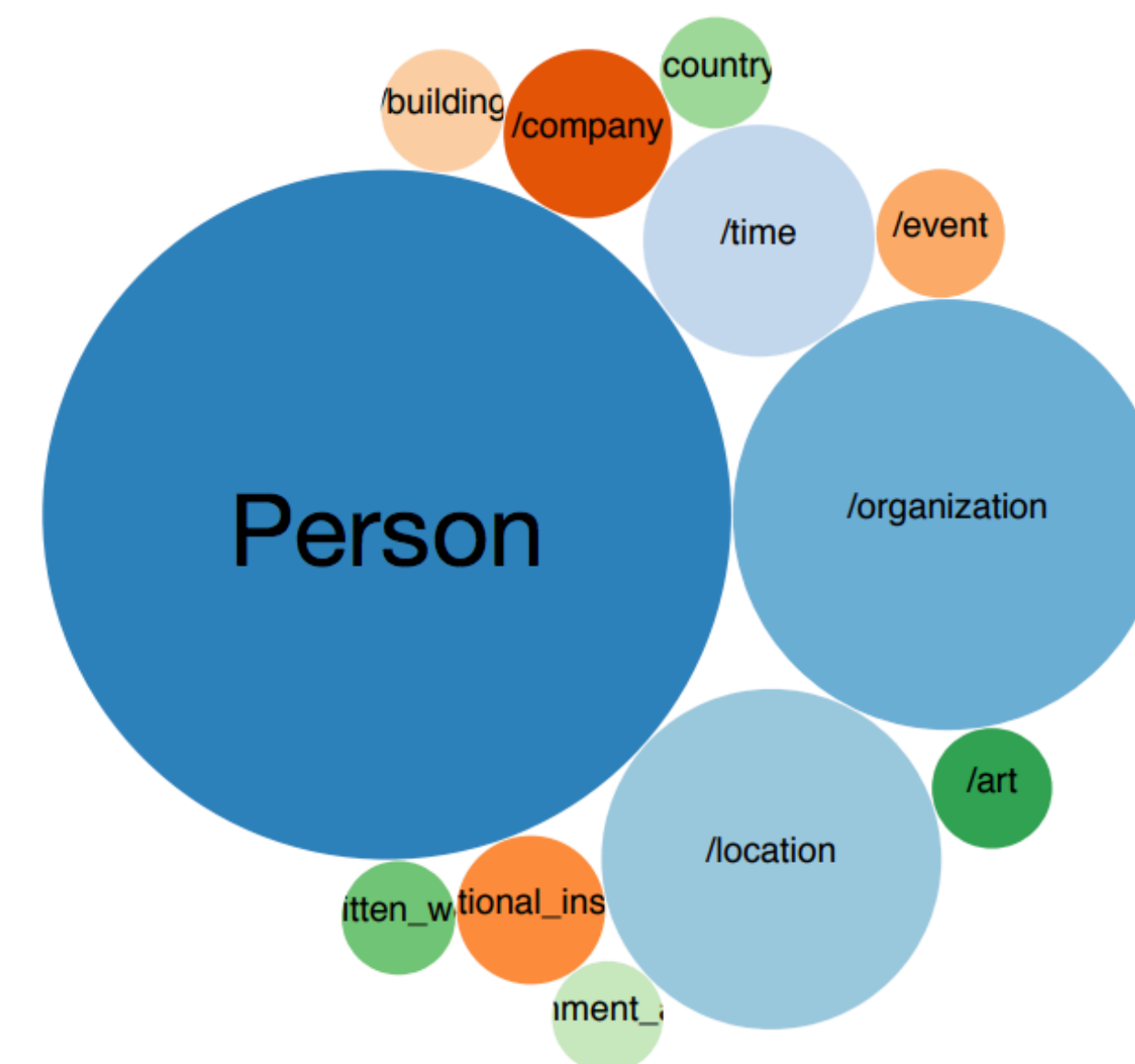
Modern Entity Typing



a) Our Dataset



b) OntoNotes



c) FIGER

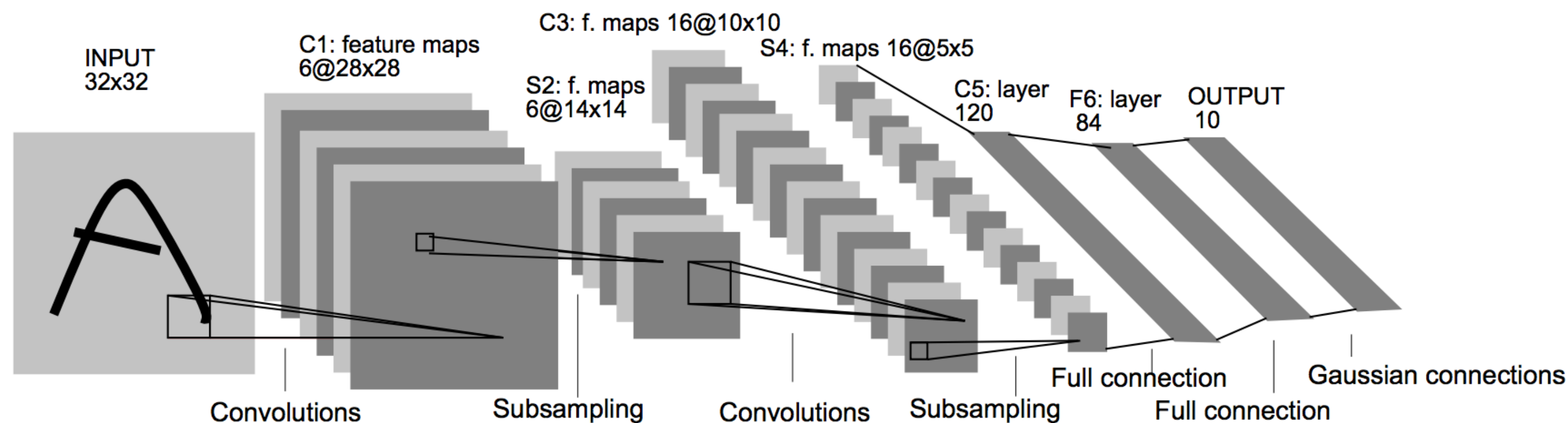
- More and more classes (17 -> 112 -> 10,000+)

Neural Net History

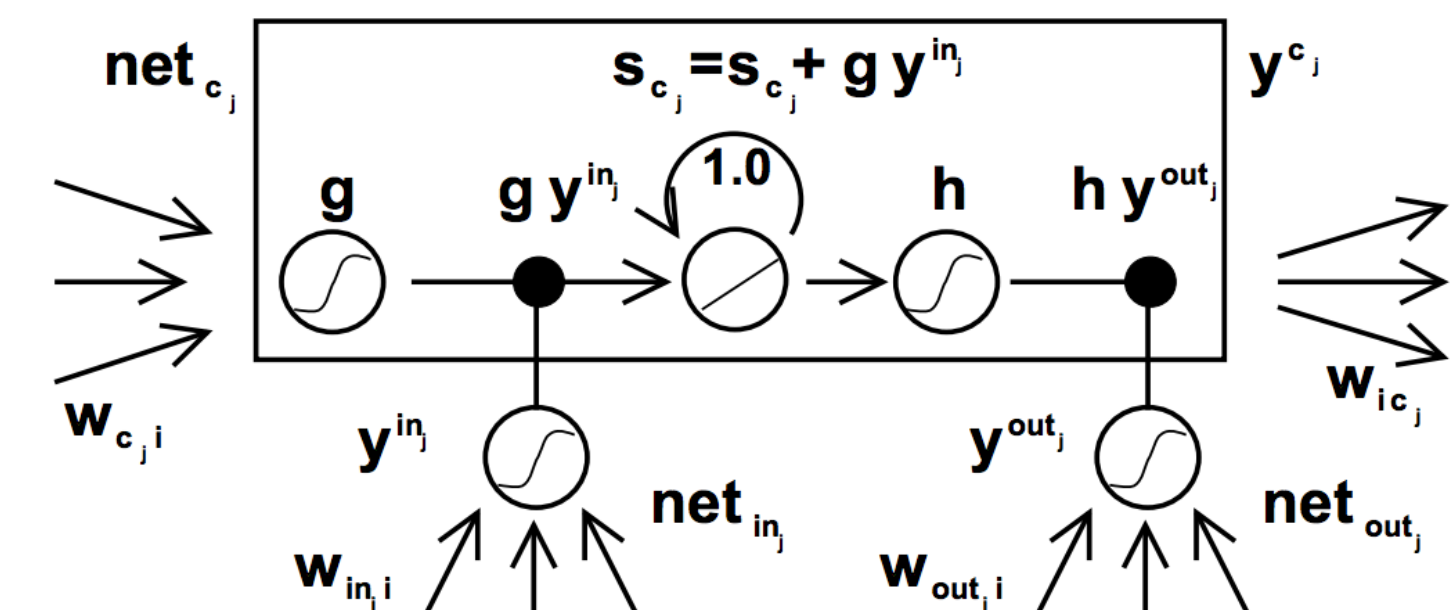


History: NN “dark ages”

- Convnets: applied to MNIST by LeCun in 1998



- LSTMs: Hochreiter and Schmidhuber (1997)

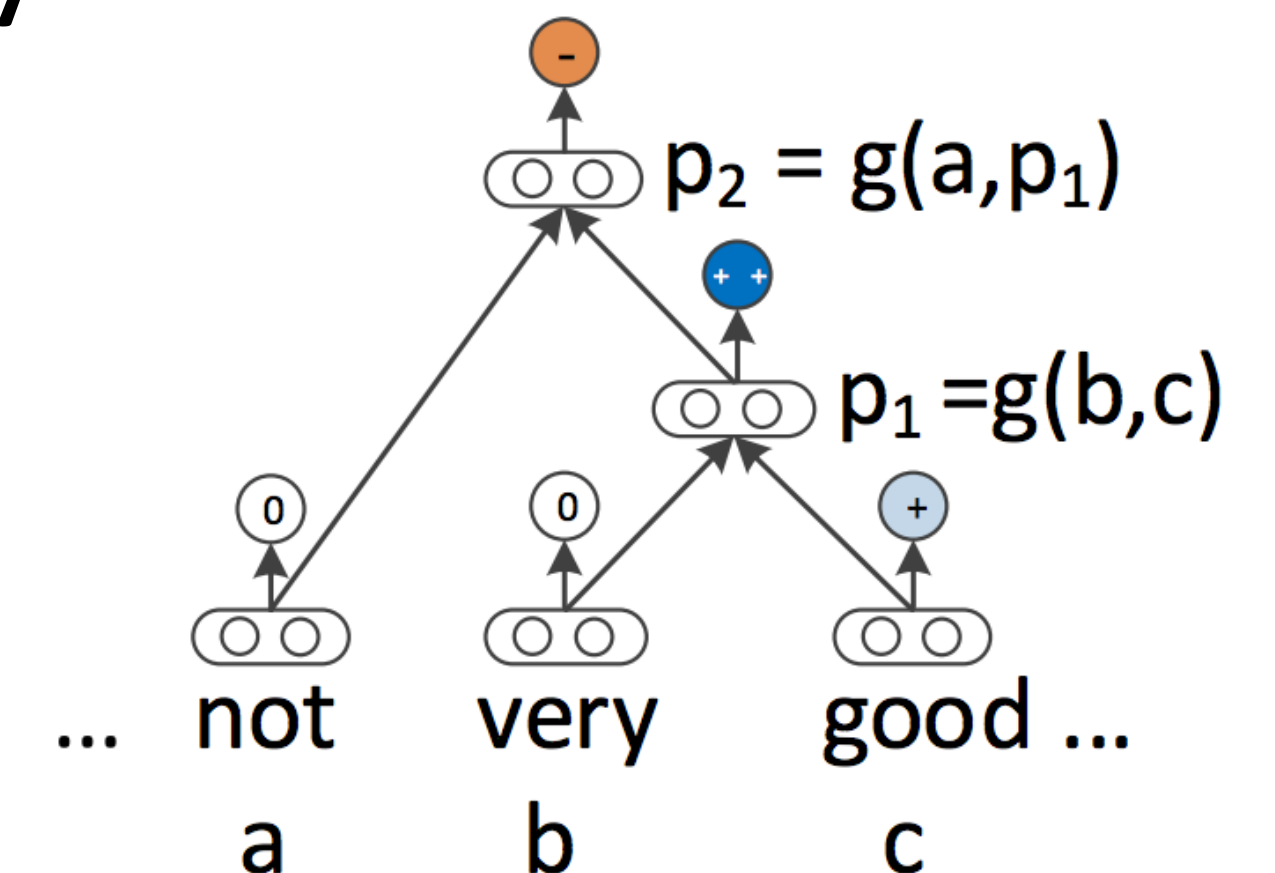
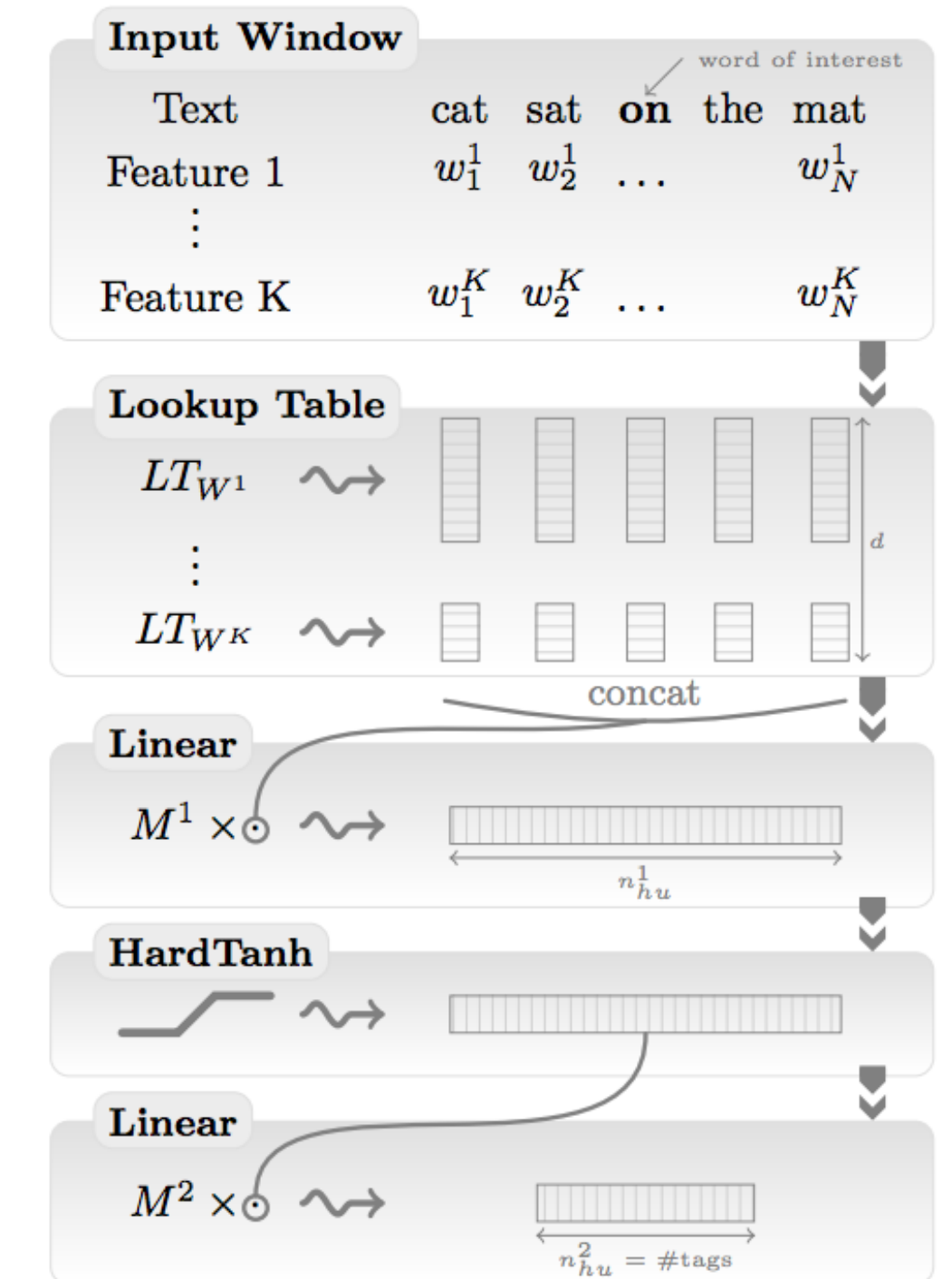


- Henderson (2003): neural shift-reduce parser, not SOTA



2008-2013: A glimmer of light...

- ▶ Collobert and Weston 2011: “NLP (almost) from scratch”
 - ▶ Feedforward neural nets induce features for sequential CRFs (“neural CRF”)
 - ▶ Basically tied SOTA in 2011, but with lots of computation (two weeks of training embeddings)
- ▶ Socher 2011-2014: tree-structured RNNs working okay
- ▶ Krizhevsky et al. (2012): AlexNet for vision





2014: Stuff starts working

- ▶ Kim (2014) + Kalchbrenner et al. (2014): sentence classification / sentiment (convnets)
- ▶ Sutskever et al. + Bahdanau et al.: seq2seq for neural MT (LSTMs)
- ▶ Chen and Manning transition-based dependency parser (based on feedforward networks)
- ▶ What made these work? **Data**, **optimization** (initialization, adaptive optimizers), **representation** (good word embeddings)

Neural Net Basics



Neural Networks

- ▶ Linear classification: $\operatorname{argmax}_y w^\top f(x, y)$
- ▶ Want to learn intermediate conjunctive features of the input

*the movie was **not** all that **good***

$I[\text{contains } \textit{not} \ \& \ \text{contains } \textit{good}]$

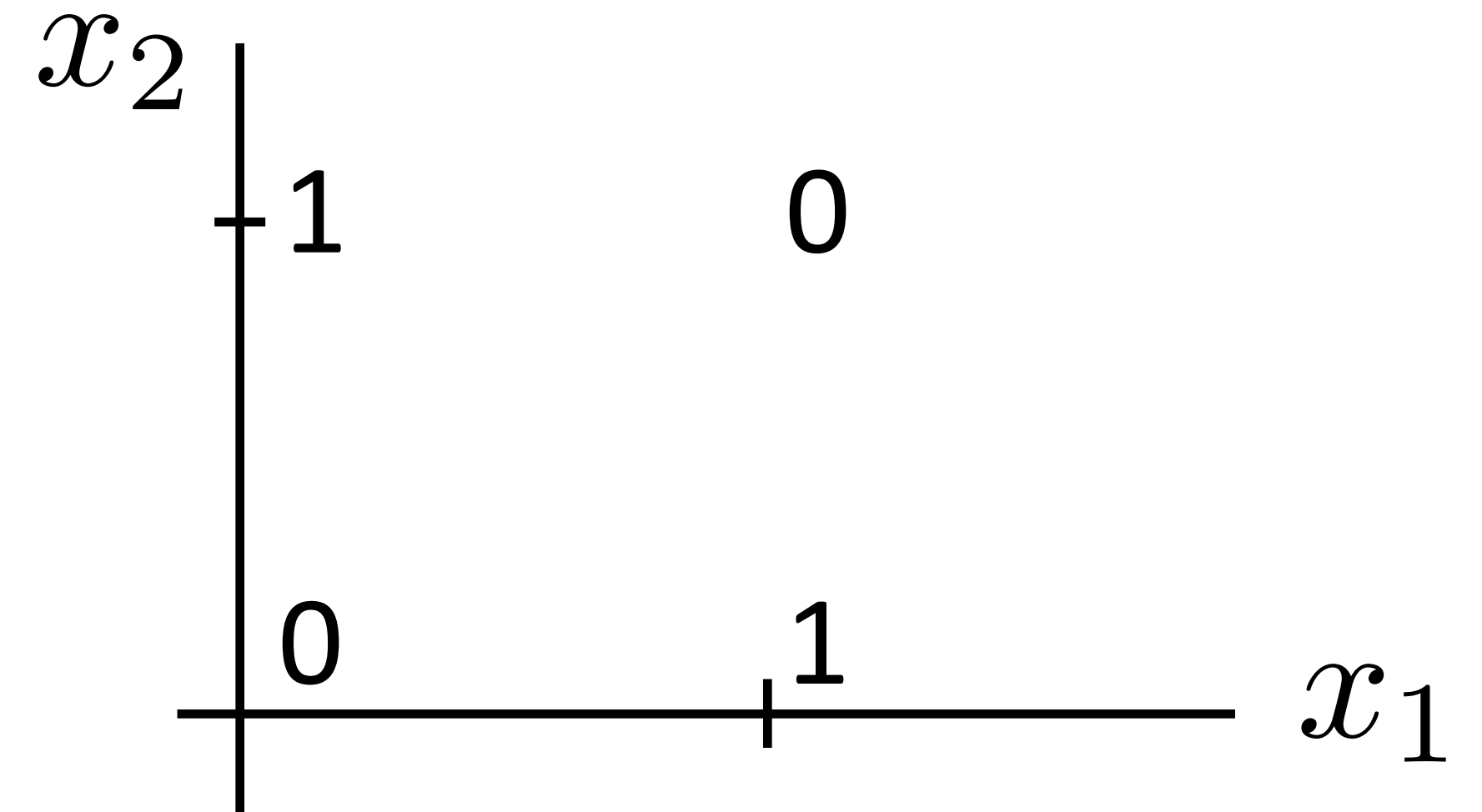
- ▶ How do we learn this if our feature vector is just the unigram indicators?

$I[\text{contains } \textit{not}], I[\text{contains } \textit{good}]$



Neural Networks: XOR

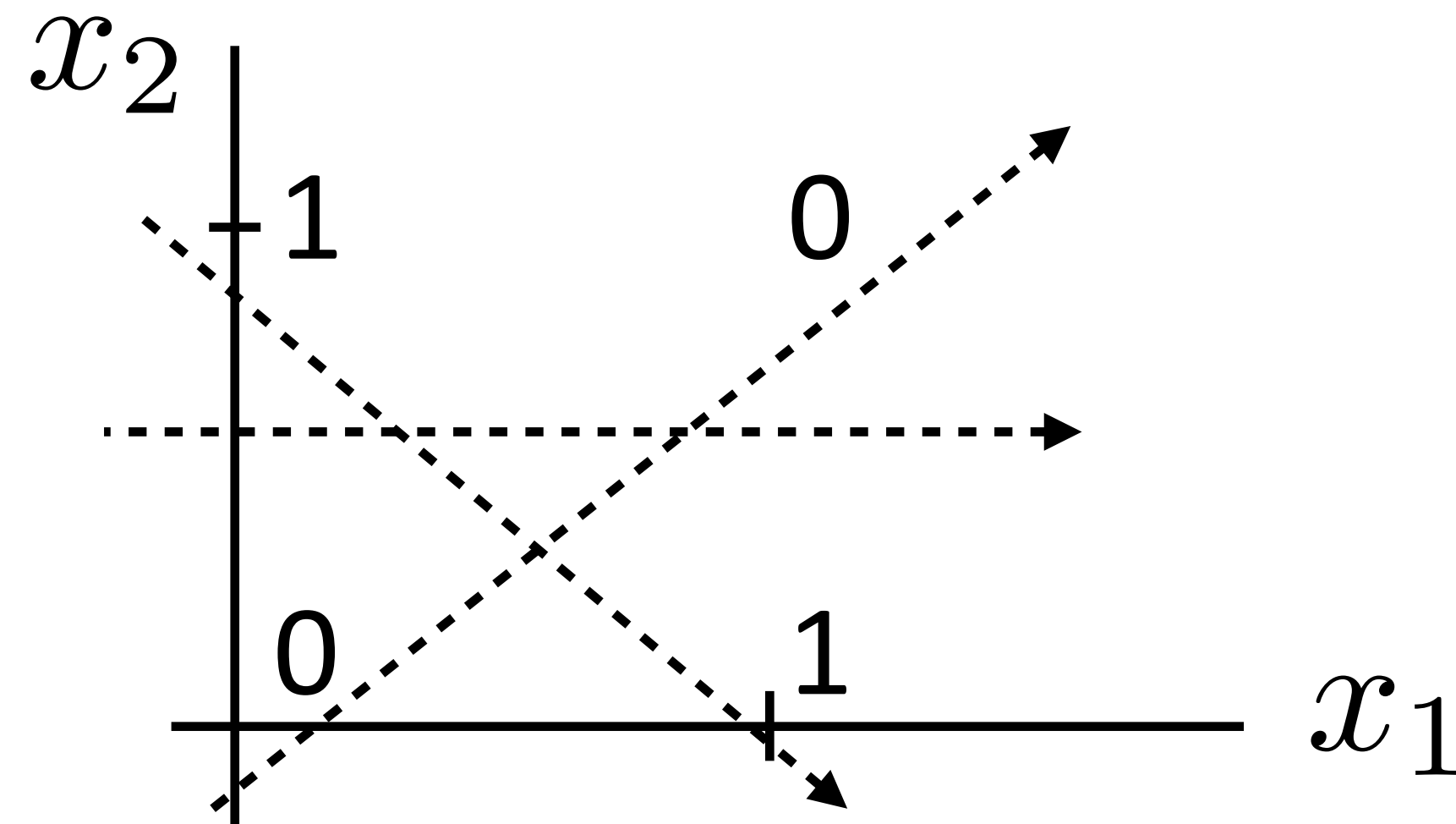
- ▶ Let's see how we can use neural nets to learn a simple nonlinear function
- ▶ Inputs x_1, x_2
(generally $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_m)$)
- ▶ Output y
(generally $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$)



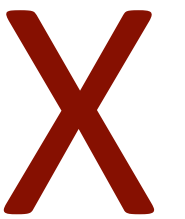
x_1	x_2	$y = x_1 \text{ XOR } x_2$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



Neural Networks: XOR



$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$$



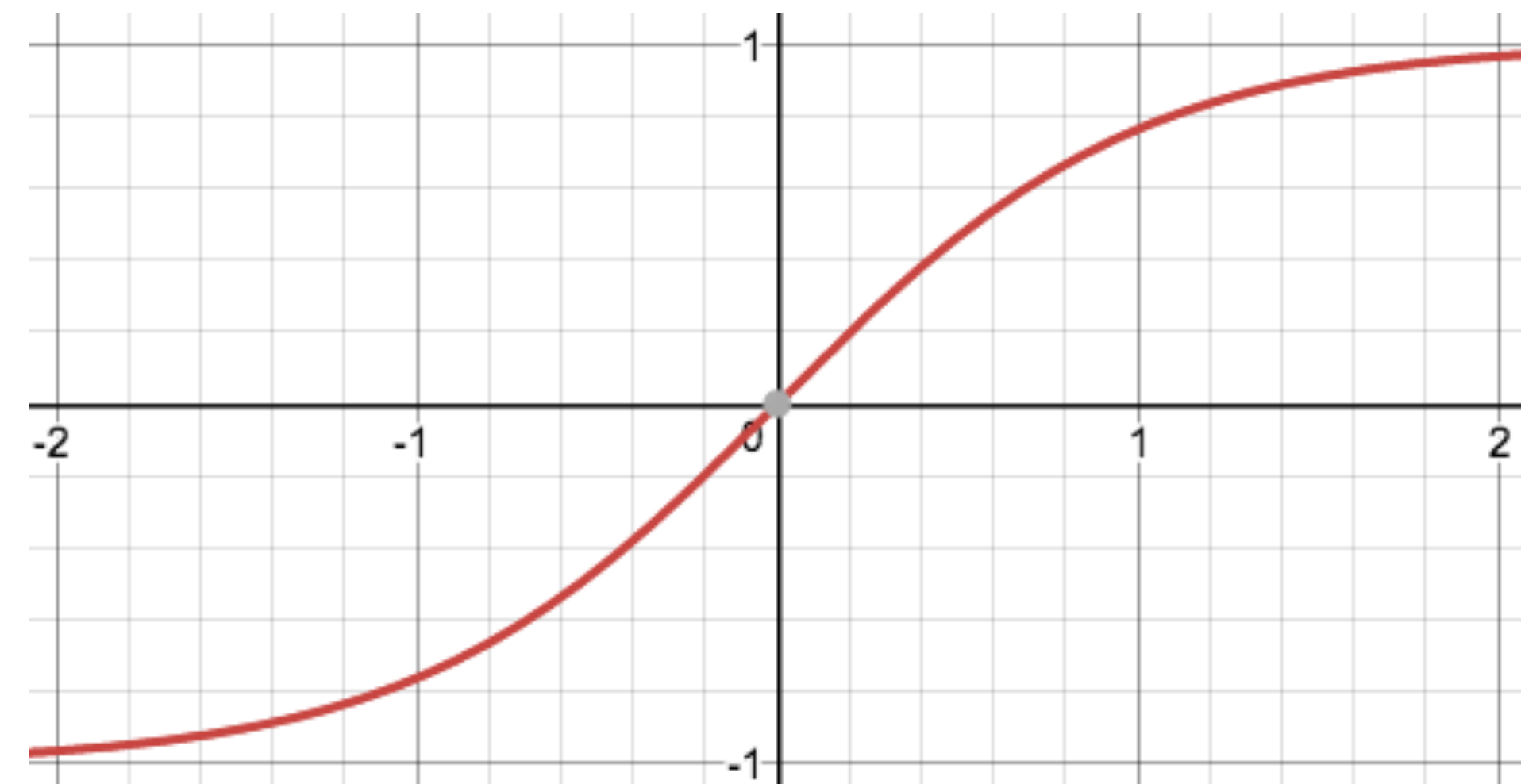
$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 \tanh(x_1 + x_2)$$

“or”



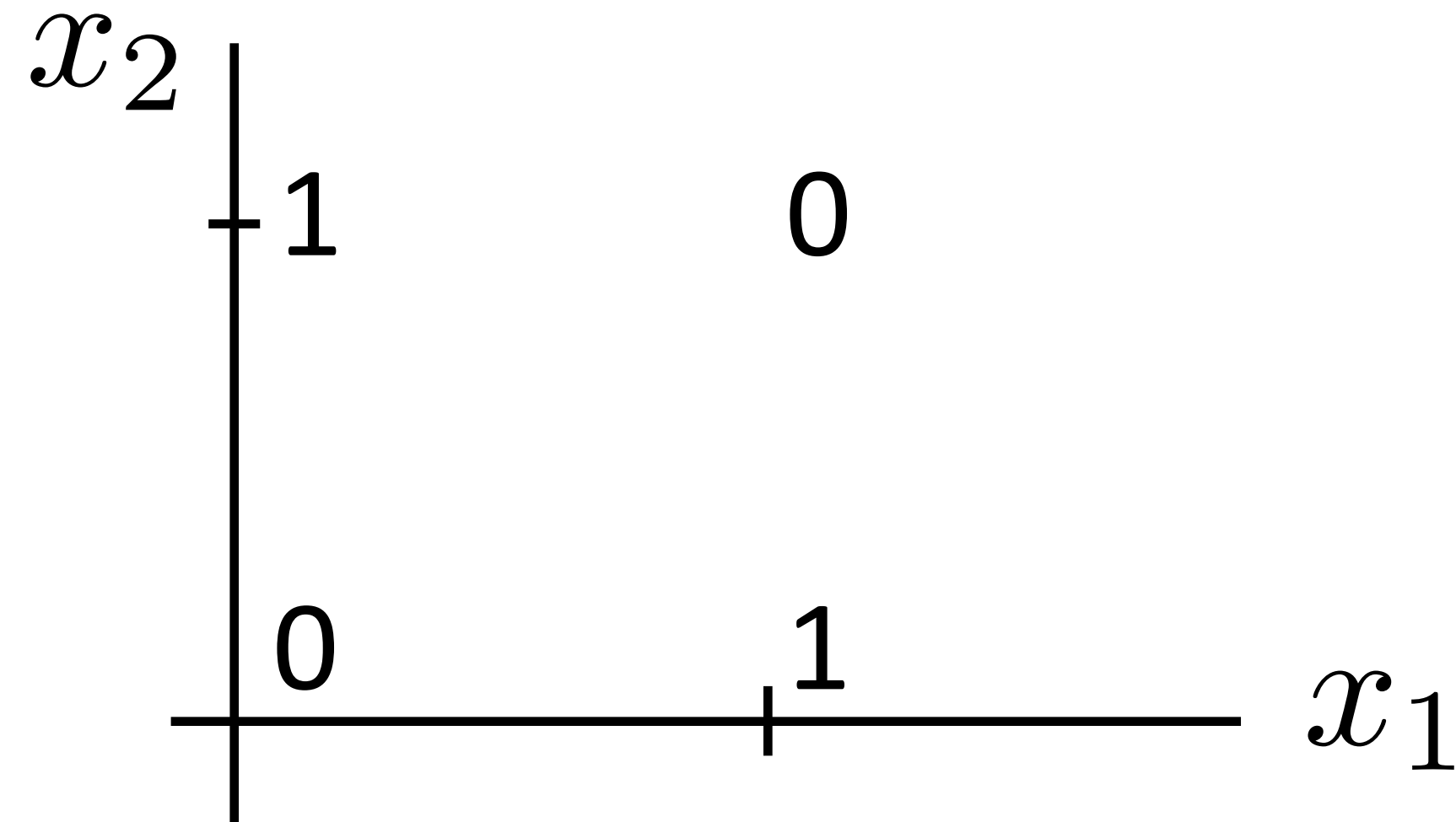
(looks like action potential in neuron)

x_1	x_2	x_1 XOR x_2
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0





Neural Networks: XOR



$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2$$

X

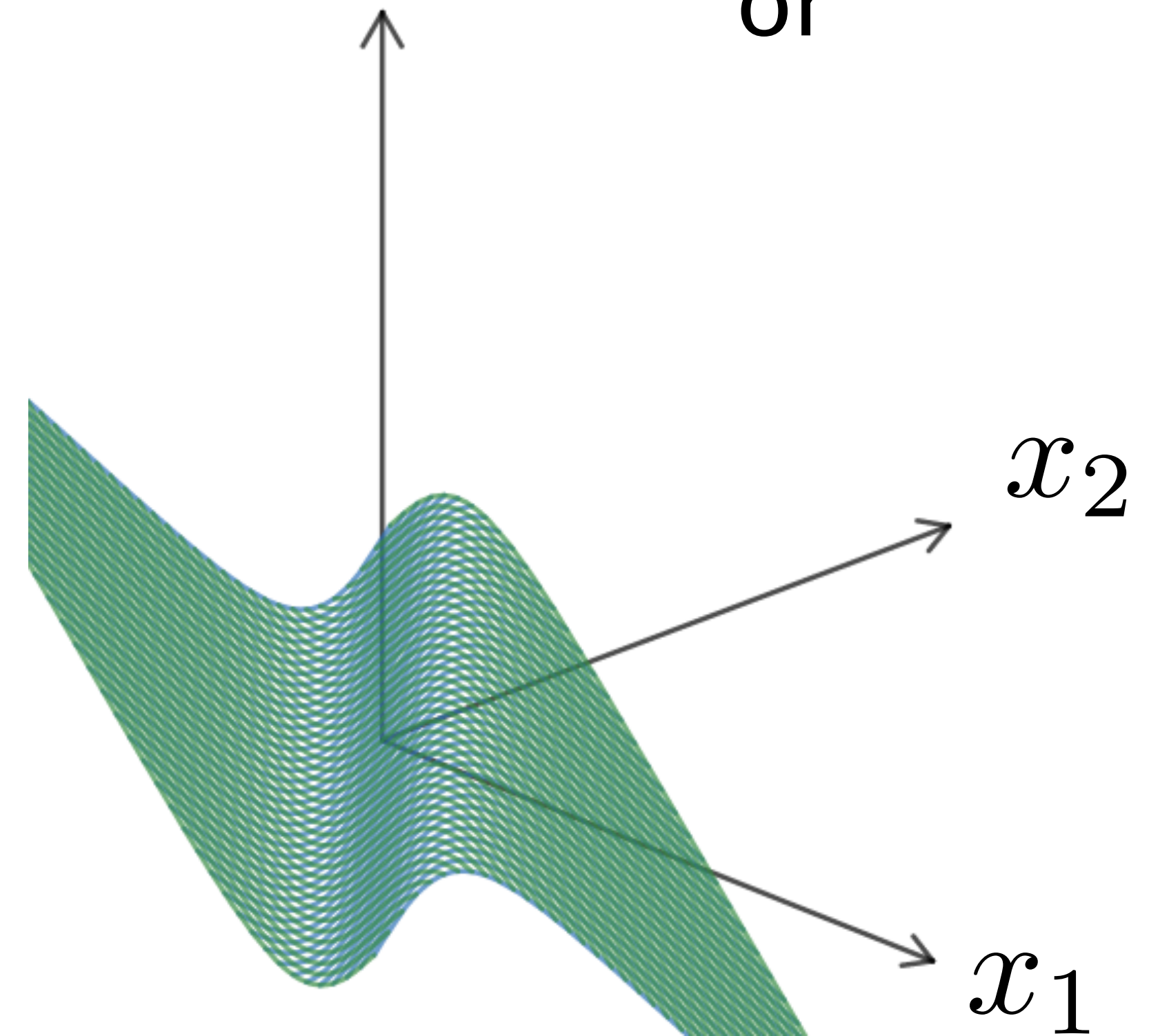
$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 \tanh(x_1 + x_2)$$

✓

$$y = -x_1 - x_2 + 2 \tanh(x_1 + x_2)$$

“or”

x_1	x_2	x_1 XOR x_2
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0





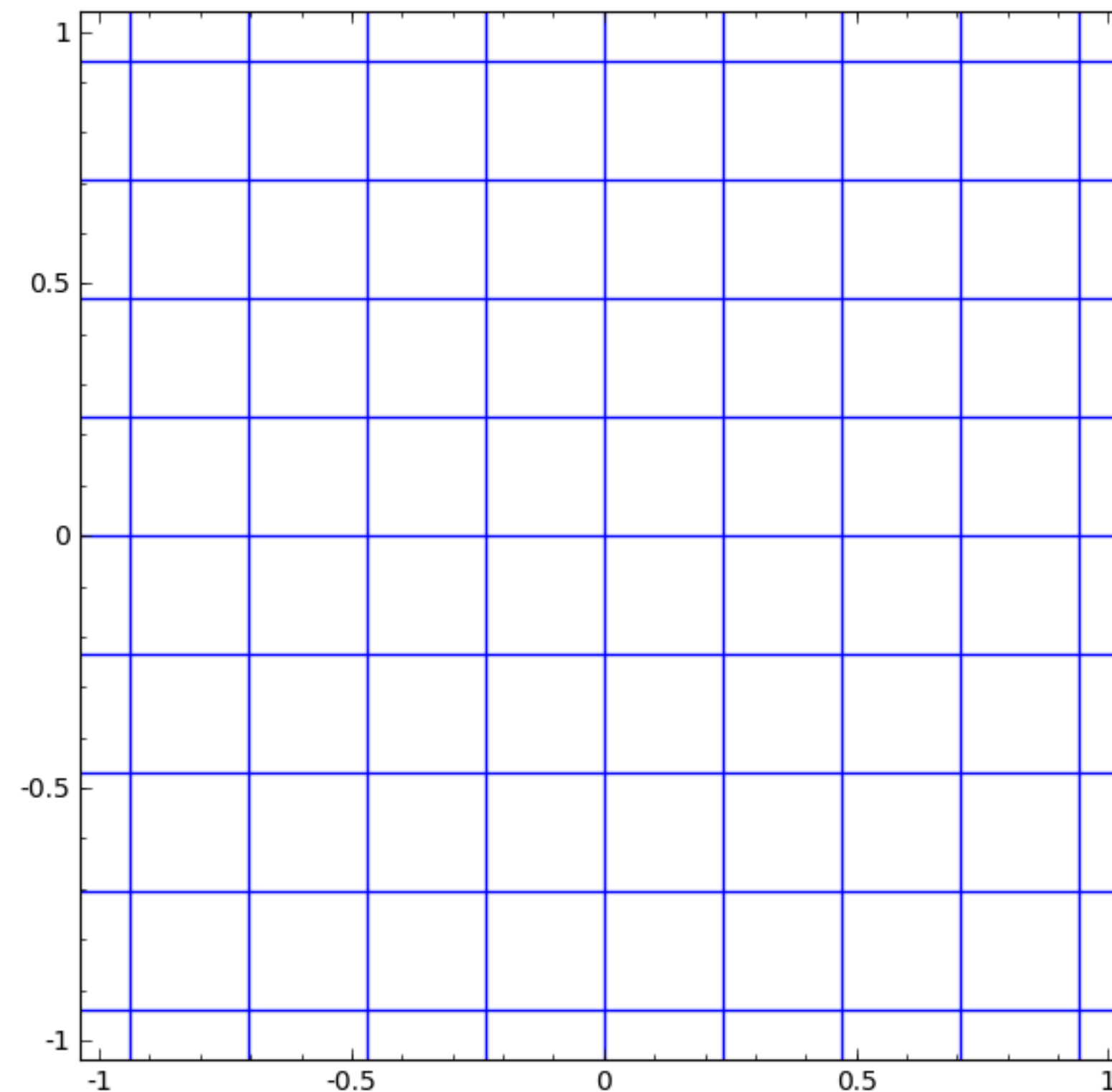
Neural Networks

Linear model: $y = \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b$

$$y = g(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x} + b)$$

$$\mathbf{y} = g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})$$

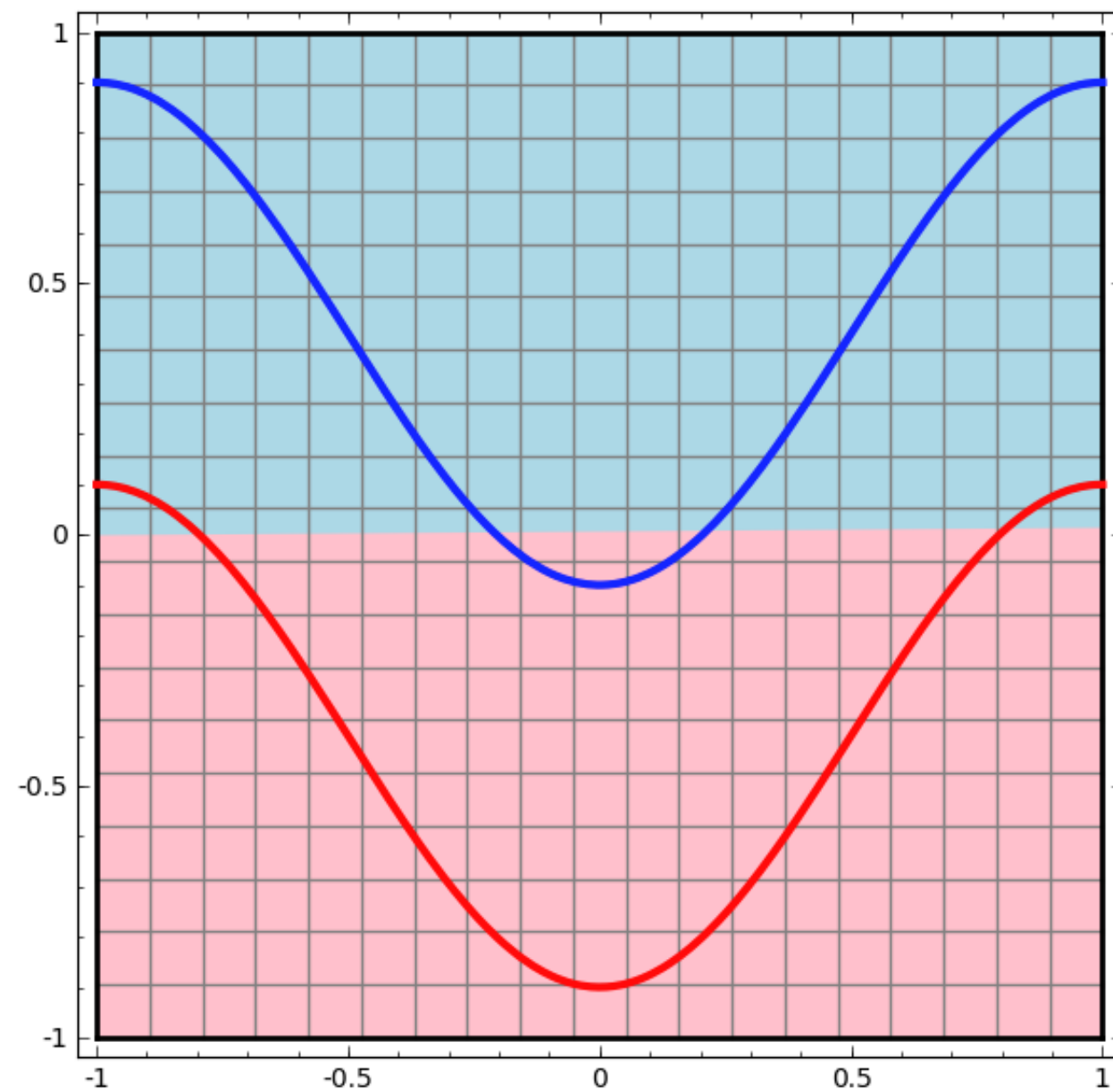
Nonlinear transformation Warp space Shift



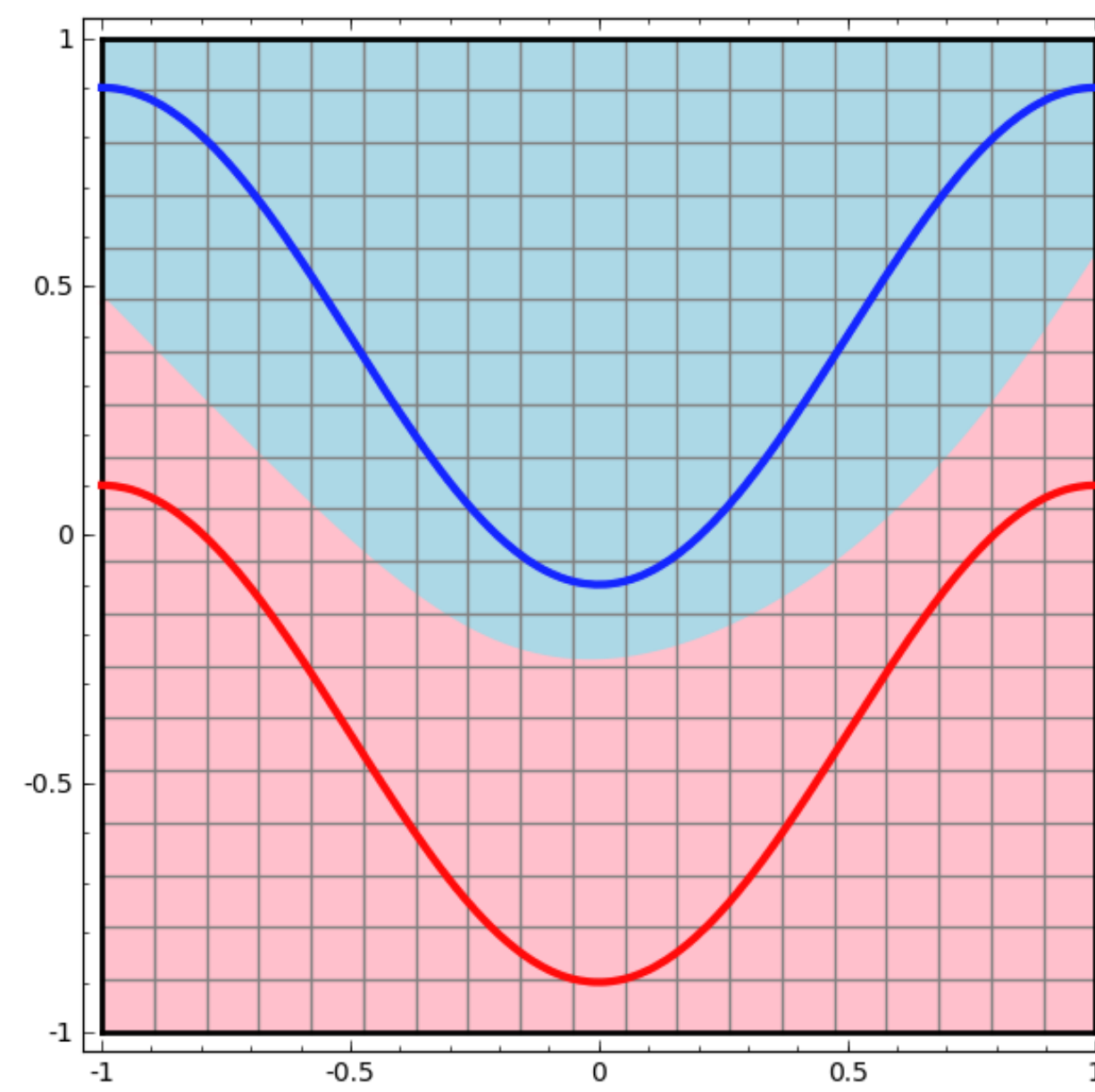


Neural Networks

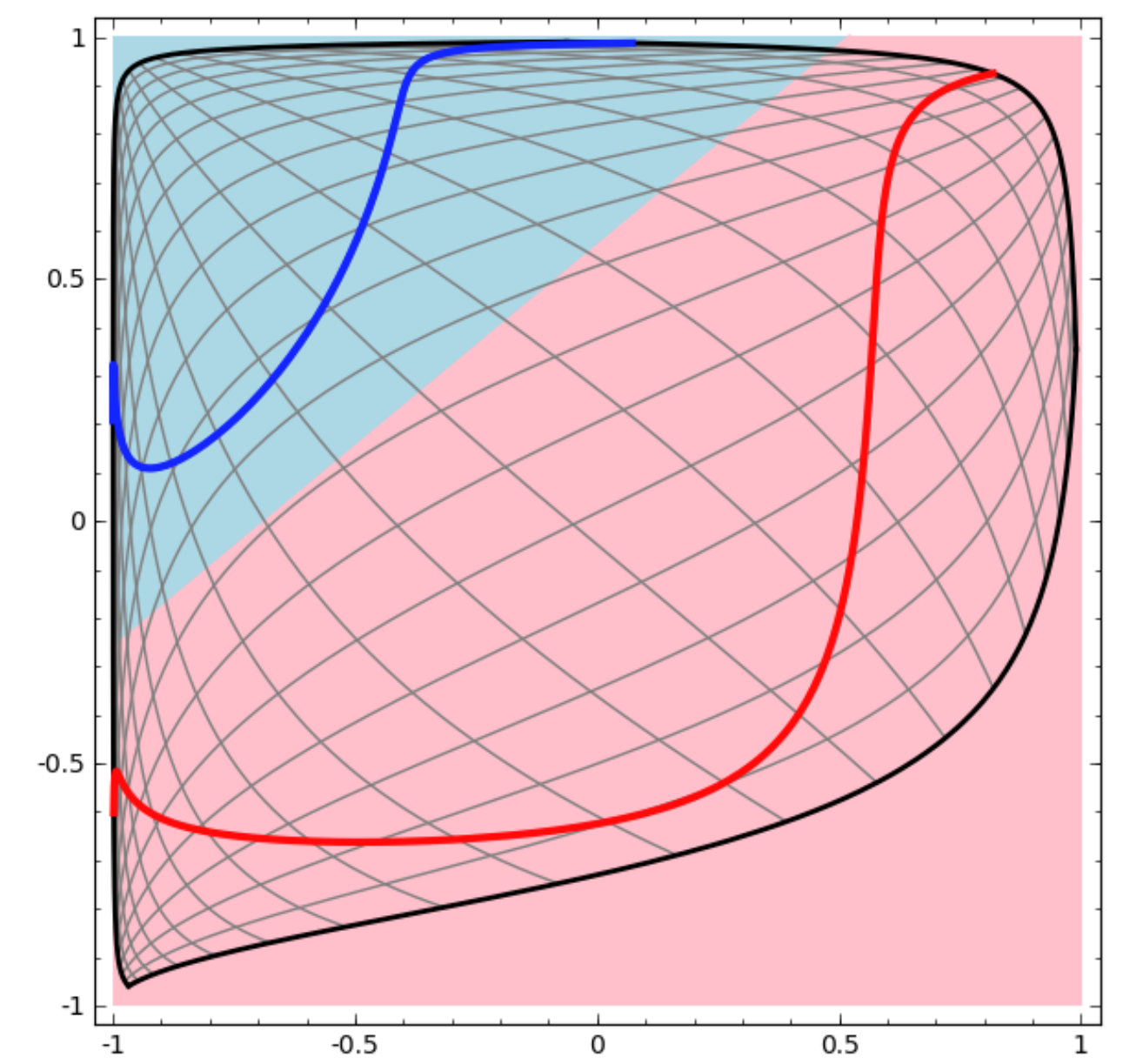
Linear classifier



Neural network



...possible because
we transformed the
space!





Deep Neural Networks

$$\mathbf{y} = g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})$$

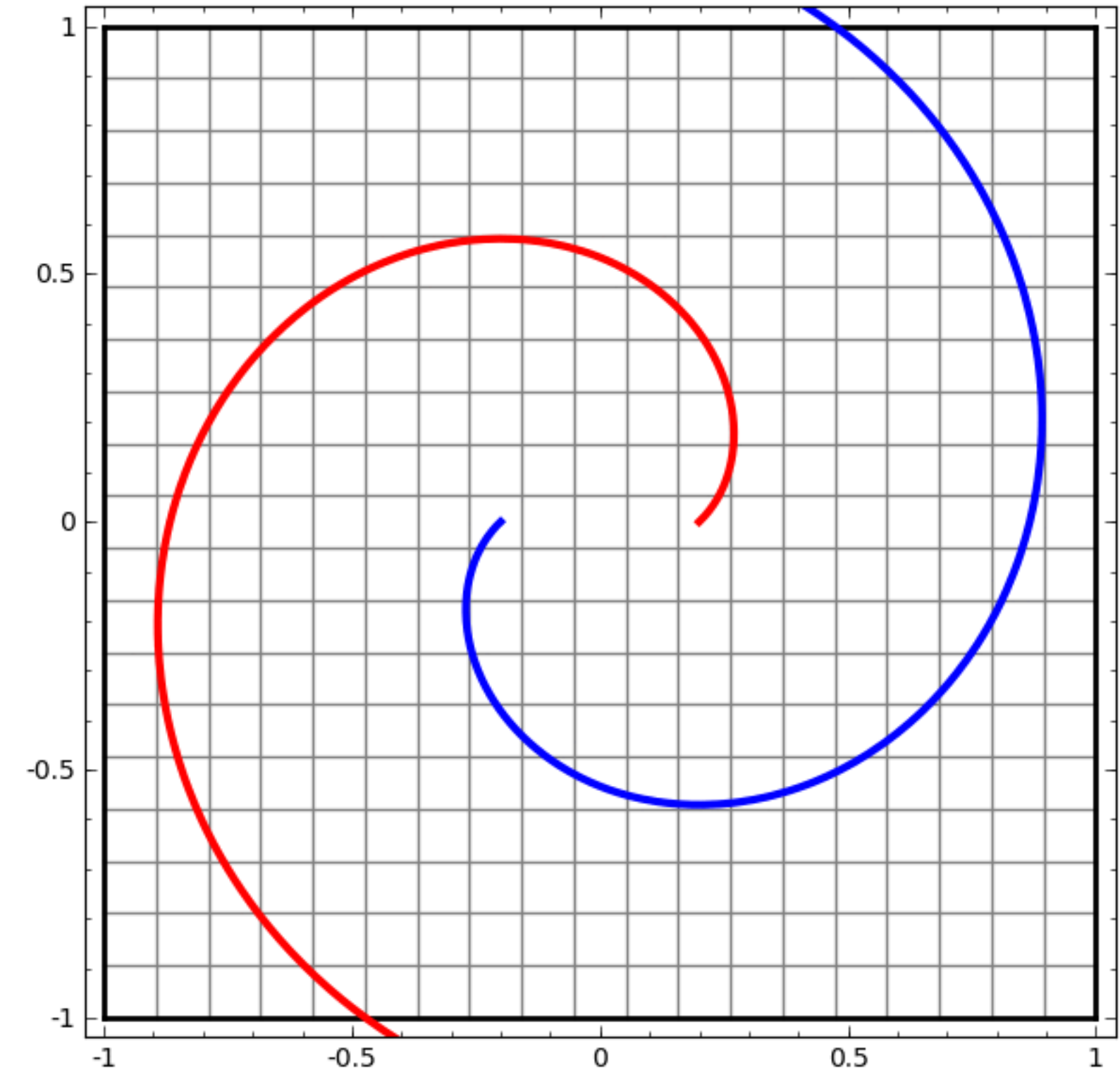
$$\mathbf{z} = g(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{c})$$

$$\mathbf{z} = g(\mathbf{V} \underbrace{g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b})}_{\text{output of first layer}} + \mathbf{c})$$

output of first layer

Check: what happens if no nonlinearity?
More powerful than basic linear models?

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{c}$$



Feedforward Networks, Backpropagation



Logistic Regression with NNs

$$P(y|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\exp(w^\top f(\mathbf{x}, y))}{\sum_{y'} \exp(w^\top f(\mathbf{x}, y'))}$$

- ▶ Single scalar probability

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}([w^\top f(\mathbf{x}, y)]_{y \in \mathcal{Y}})$$

- ▶ Compute scores for all possible labels at once (returns vector)

$$\text{softmax}(p)_i = \frac{\exp(p_i)}{\sum_{i'} \exp(p_{i'})}$$

- ▶ softmax: exps and normalizes a given vector

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(W f(\mathbf{x}))$$

- ▶ Weight vector per class;
W is [num classes x num feats]

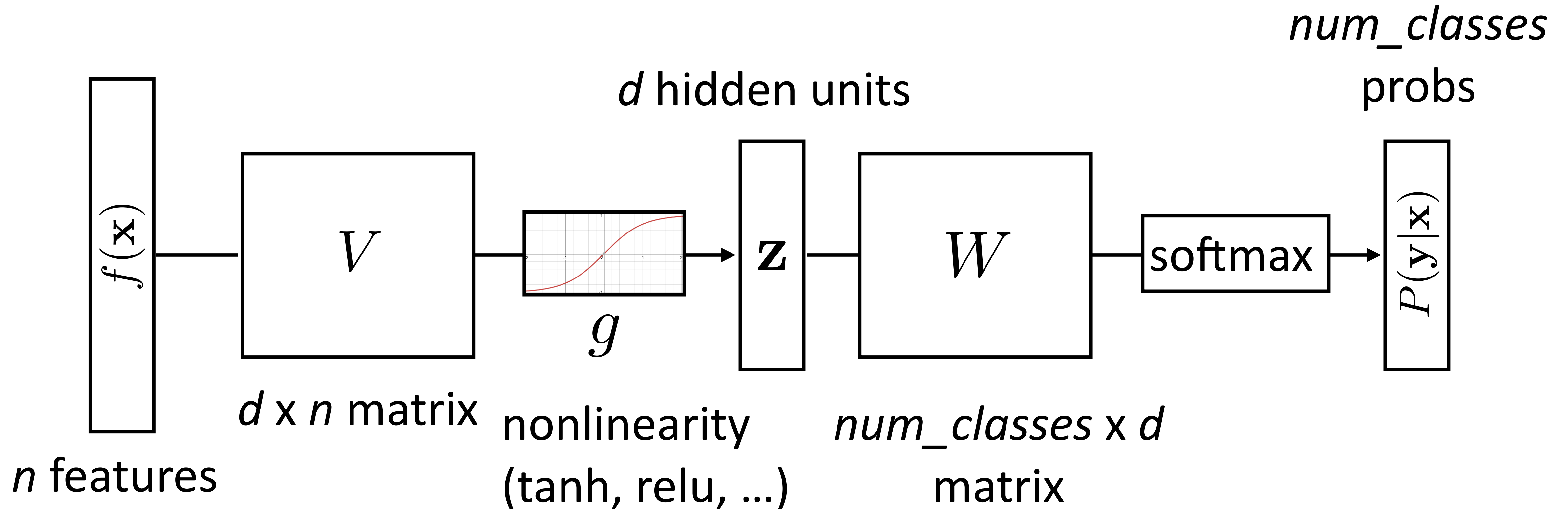
$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(W g(V f(\mathbf{x})))$$

- ▶ Now one hidden layer



Neural Networks for Classification

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(Wg(Vf(\mathbf{x})))$$





Training Neural Networks

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(W\mathbf{z}) \quad \mathbf{z} = g(Vf(\mathbf{x}))$$

- ▶ Maximize log likelihood of training data

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, i^*) = \log P(y = i^* | \mathbf{x}) = \log (\text{softmax}(W\mathbf{z}) \cdot e_{i^*})$$

- ▶ i^* : index of the gold label
- ▶ e_i : 1 in the i th row, zero elsewhere. Dot by this = select i th index

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, i^*) = W\mathbf{z} \cdot e_{i^*} - \log \sum_j \exp(W\mathbf{z}) \cdot e_j$$



Computing Gradients

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, i^*) = W\mathbf{z} \cdot e_{i^*} - \log \sum_j \exp(W\mathbf{z}) \cdot e_j$$

- ▶ Gradient with respect to W

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial W_{ij}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, i^*) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{z}_j - P(y = i|\mathbf{x})\mathbf{z}_j & \text{if } i = i^* \\ -P(y = i|\mathbf{x})\mathbf{z}_j & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

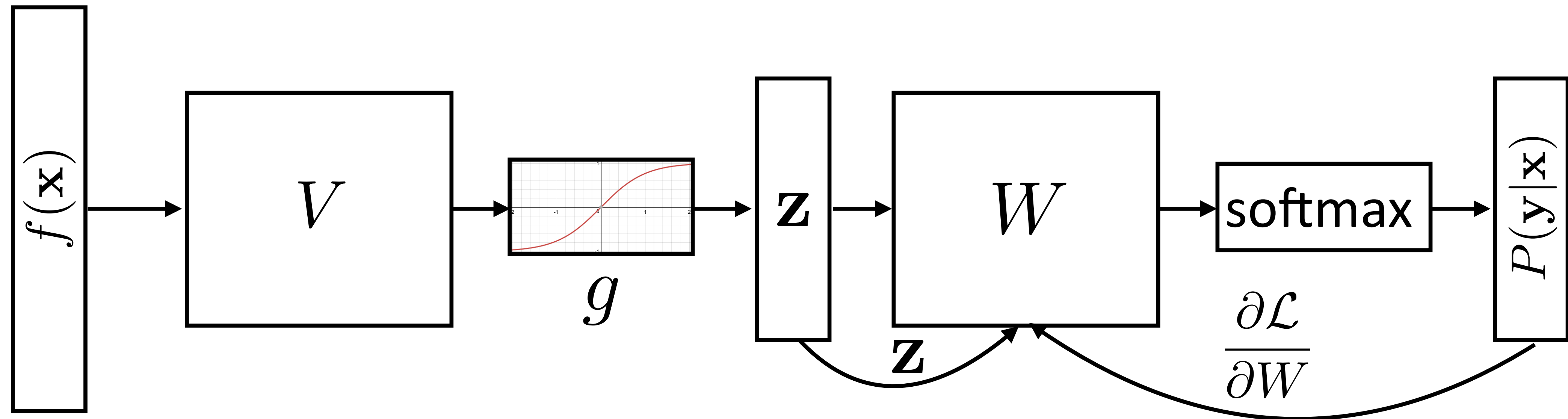
W	j
i	
	$\mathbf{z}_j - P(y = i \mathbf{x})\mathbf{z}_j$
	$-P(y = i \mathbf{x})\mathbf{z}_j$

- ▶ Looks like logistic regression with \mathbf{z} as the features!



Neural Networks for Classification

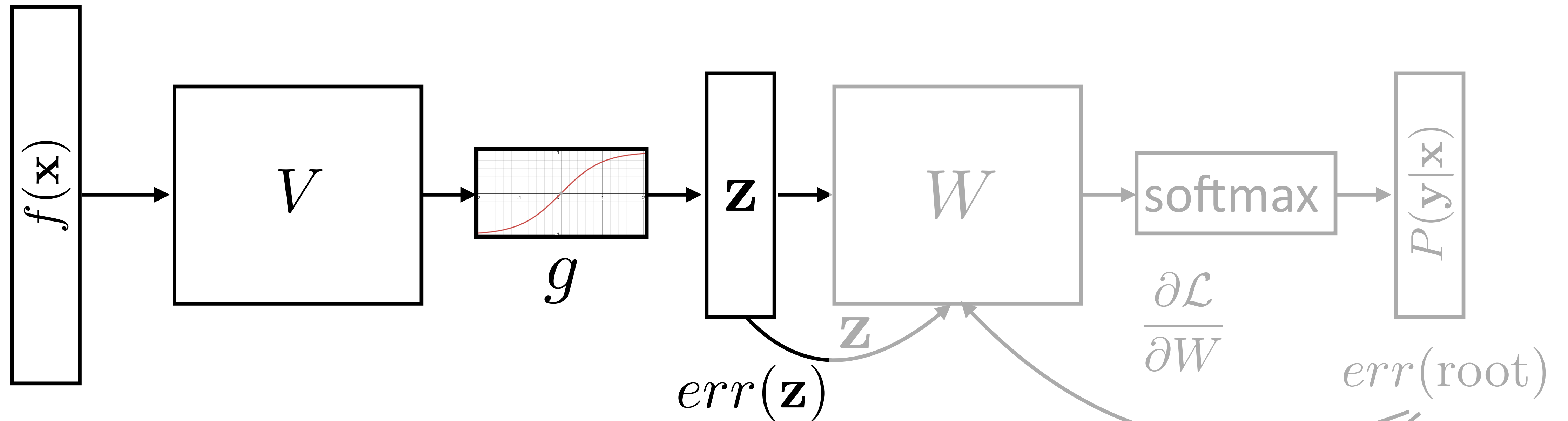
$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(Wg(Vf(\mathbf{x})))$$





Backpropagation: Picture

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(Wg(Vf(\mathbf{x})))$$



- Can forget everything after \mathbf{z} , treat it as the output and keep backpropping



Backpropagation: Takeaways

- ▶ Gradients of output weights W are easy to compute — looks like logistic regression with hidden layer \mathbf{z} as feature vector
- ▶ Can compute derivative of loss with respect to \mathbf{z} to form an “error signal” for backpropagation
- ▶ Easy to update parameters based on “error signal” from next layer, keep pushing error signal back as backpropagation
- ▶ Need to remember the values from the forward computation

Applications



NLP with Feedforward Networks

- ▶ Part-of-speech tagging with FFNNs

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*Fed raises **interest** rates in order to ...*

previous word

- ▶ Word embeddings for each word form input
- ▶ ~1000 features here — smaller feature vector than in sparse models, but every feature fires on every example

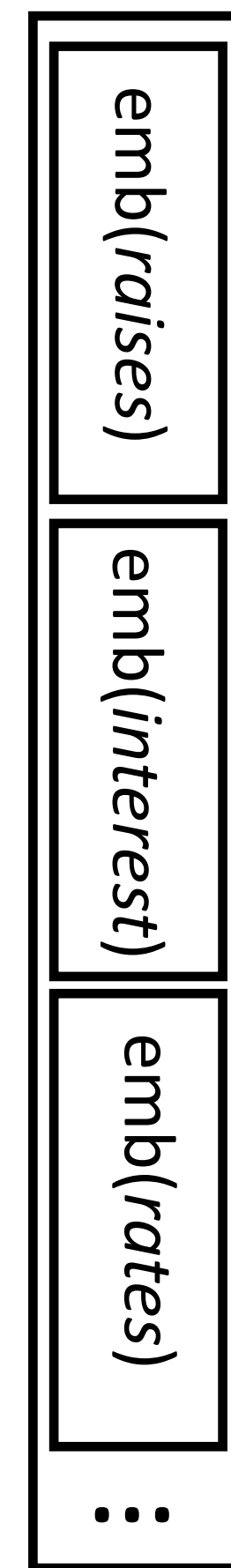
curr word

next word

- ▶ Weight matrix learns position-dependent processing of the words

other words, feats, etc.

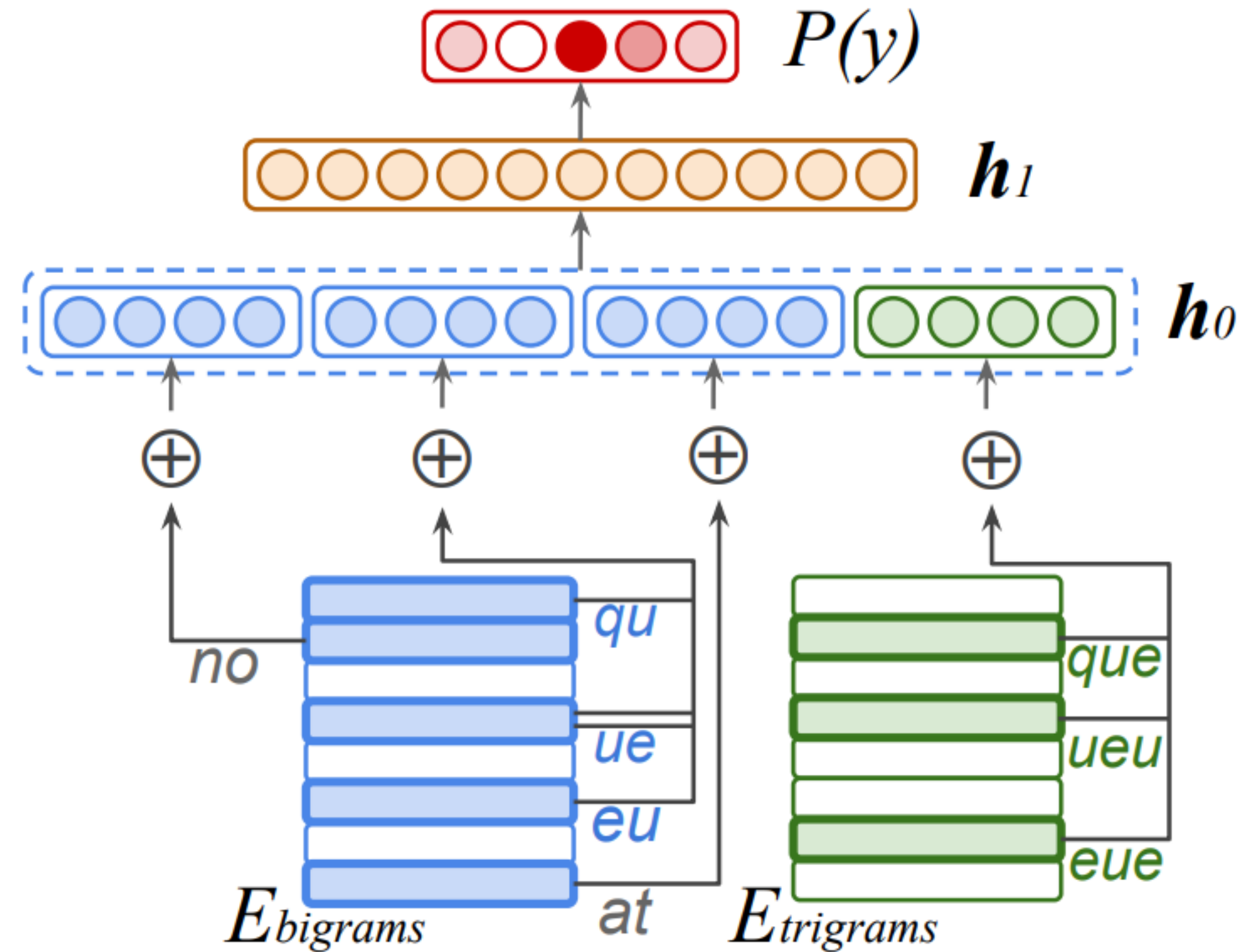
$f(x)$



Botha et al. (2017)



NLP with Feedforward Networks



There was no queue at the ...

- ▶ Hidden layer mixes these different signals and learns feature conjunctions



NLP with Feedforward Networks

- Multilingual tagging results:

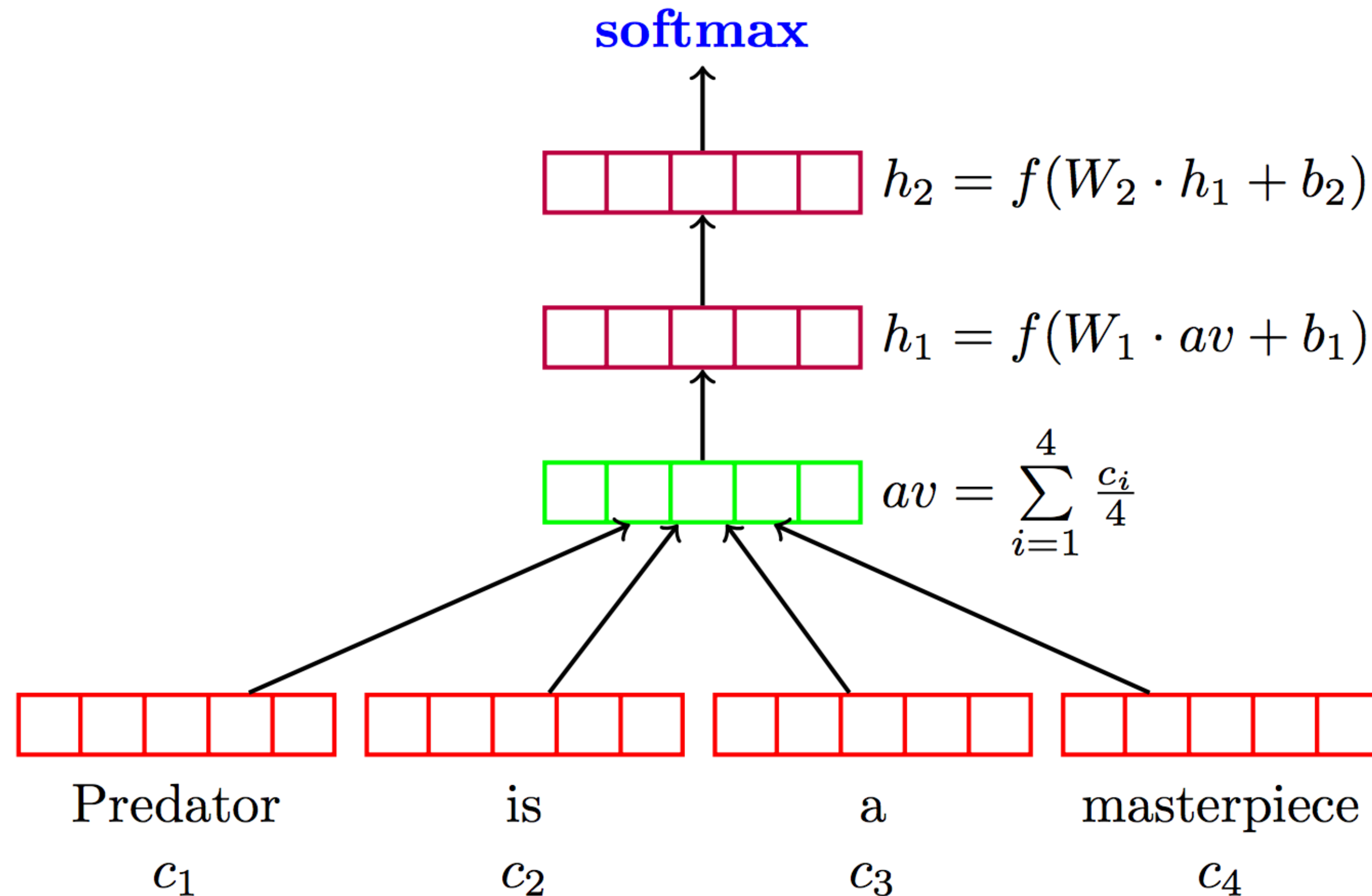
Model	Acc.	Wts.	MB	Ops.
Gillick et al. (2016)	95.06	900k	-	6.63m
Small FF	94.76	241k	0.6	0.27m
+Clusters	95.56	261k	1.0	0.31m
$\frac{1}{2}$ Dim.	95.39	143k	0.7	0.18m

- Gillick used LSTMs; this is smaller, faster, and better



Sentiment Analysis

- ▶ Deep Averaging Networks: feedforward neural network on average of word embeddings from input





Sentiment Analysis

Model	RT	SST fine	SST bin	IMDB	Time (s)
DAN-ROOT	—	46.9	85.7	—	31
DAN-RAND	77.3	45.4	83.2	88.8	136
DAN	80.3	47.7	86.3	89.4	136
NBOW-RAND	76.2	42.3	81.4	88.9	91
NBOW	79.0	43.6	83.6	89.0	91
BiNB	—	41.9	83.1	—	—
NBSVM-bi	79.4	—	—	91.2	—
RecNN*	77.7	43.2	82.4	—	—
RecNTN*	—	45.7	85.4	—	—
DRecNN	—	49.8	86.6	—	431
TreeLSTM	—	50.6	86.9	—	—
DCNN*	—	48.5	86.9	89.4	—
PVEC*	—	48.7	87.8	92.6	—
CNN-MC	81.1	47.4	88.1	—	2,452
WRRBM*	—	—	—	89.2	—

Iyyer et al. (2015)

Bag-of-words

Wang and
Manning (2012)

Tree RNNs /
CNNS / LSTMS

Kim (2014)

Implementation Details



Computation Graphs

- ▶ Computing gradients is hard! Computation graph abstraction allows us to define a computation symbolically and will do this for us
- ▶ Automatic differentiation: keep track of derivatives / be able to backpropagate through each function:

$$y = x * x \xrightarrow{\text{codegen}} (y, dy) = (x * x, 2 * x * dx)$$

- ▶ Use a library like Pytorch or Tensorflow. This class: Pytorch



Computation Graphs in Pytorch

- Define forward pass for $P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(Wg(Vf(\mathbf{x})))$

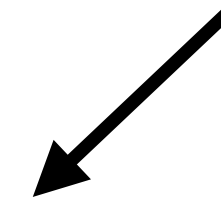
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class FFNN(nn.Module):  
    def __init__(self, inp, hid, out):  
        super(FFNN, self).__init__()  
        self.V = nn.Linear(inp, hid)  
        self.g = nn.Tanh()  
        self.W = nn.Linear(hid, out)  
        self.softmax = nn.Softmax(dim=0)  
  
    def forward(self, x):  
        return self.softmax(self.W(self.g(self.V(x))))
```



Computation Graphs in Pytorch

$$P(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}) = \text{softmax}(Wg(Vf(\mathbf{x})))$$

\mathbf{e}_i^* : one-hot vector
of the label
(e.g., $[0, 1, 0]$)



```
ffnn = FFNN()  
def make_update(input, gold_label):  
    ffnn.zero_grad() # clear gradient variables  
    probs = ffnn.forward(input)  
    loss = torch.neg(torch.log(probs)).dot(gold_label)  
    loss.backward()  
    optimizer.step()
```




Training a Model

Define a computation graph

For each epoch:

For each batch of data:

Compute loss on batch

Autograd to compute gradients

Take step with optimizer

Decode test set



Next Time

- ▶ Training neural networks
- ▶ Word representations / word vectors
- ▶ word2vec, GloVe