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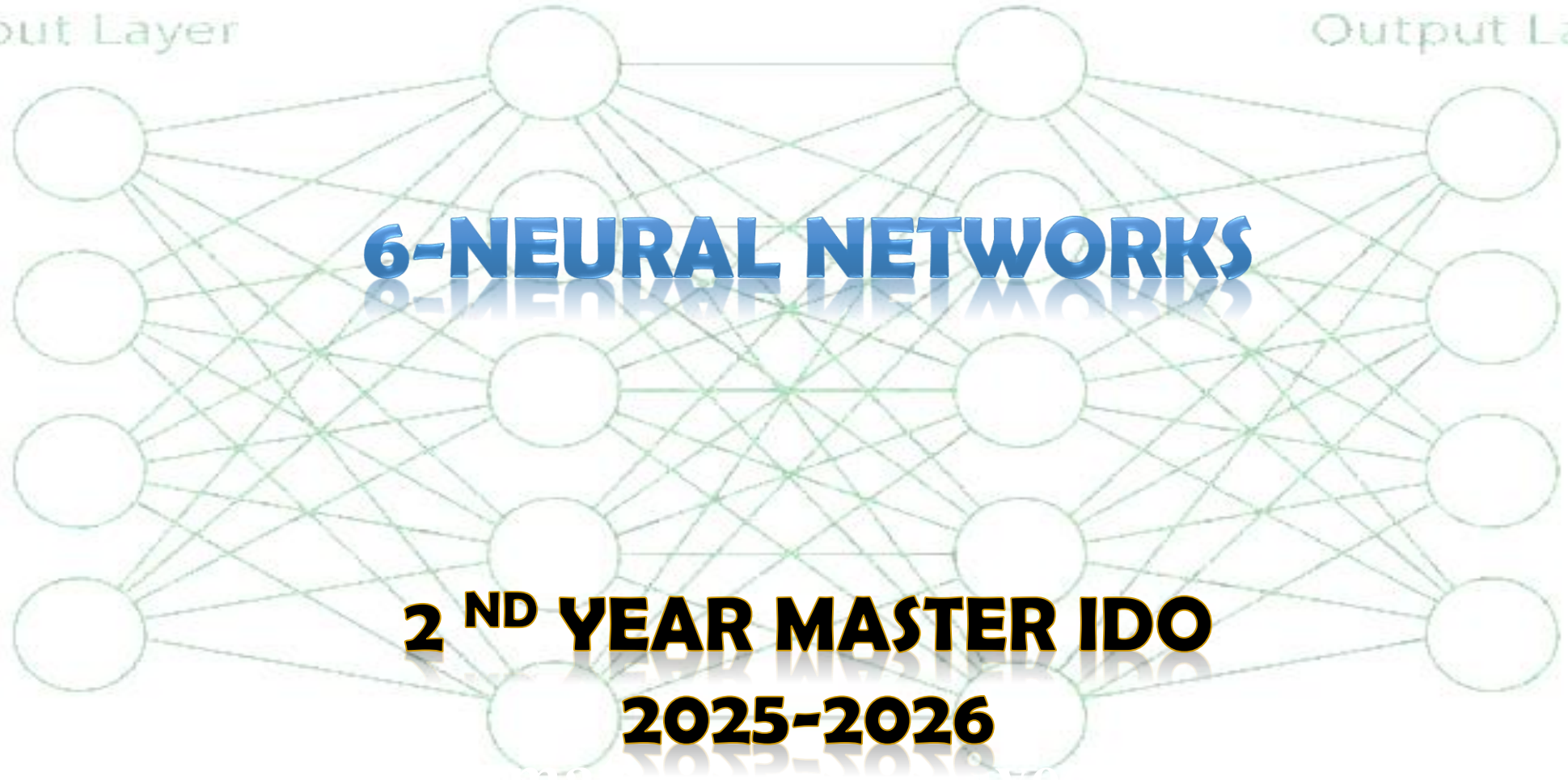
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6-NEURAL NETWORKS

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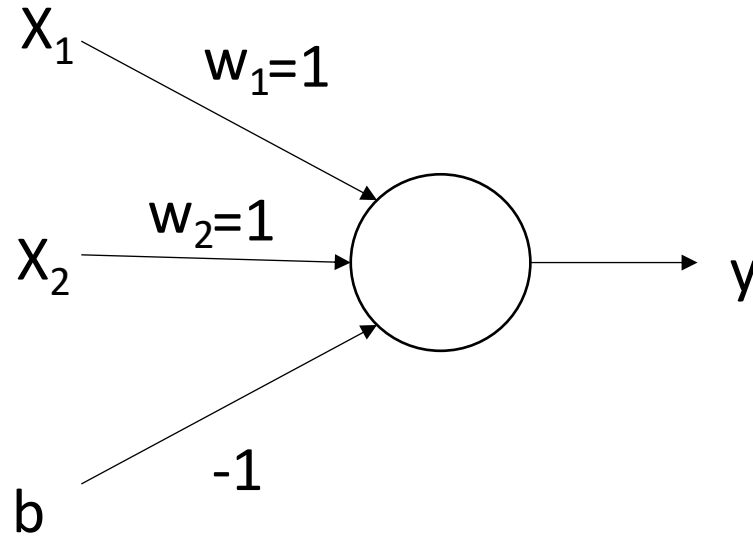


In the beginning of neural networks there was something called the perceptron :

The **perceptron** is one of the simplest types of artificial neural networks, designed for binary classification tasks. It was introduced by **Frank Rosenblatt** in 1958 and represents an early foundational model in machine learning.

Perceptron for the function AND

$$y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b \leq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b > 0 \end{cases}$$

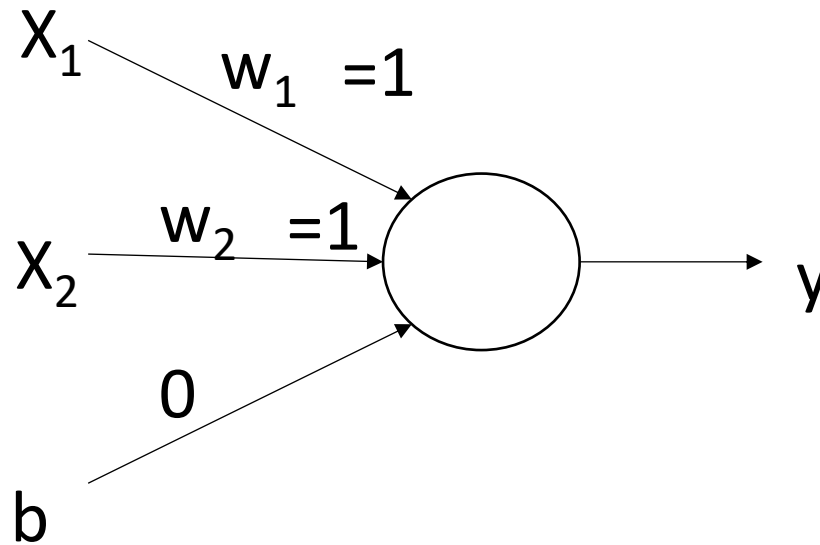


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0	1	0
1	1	1

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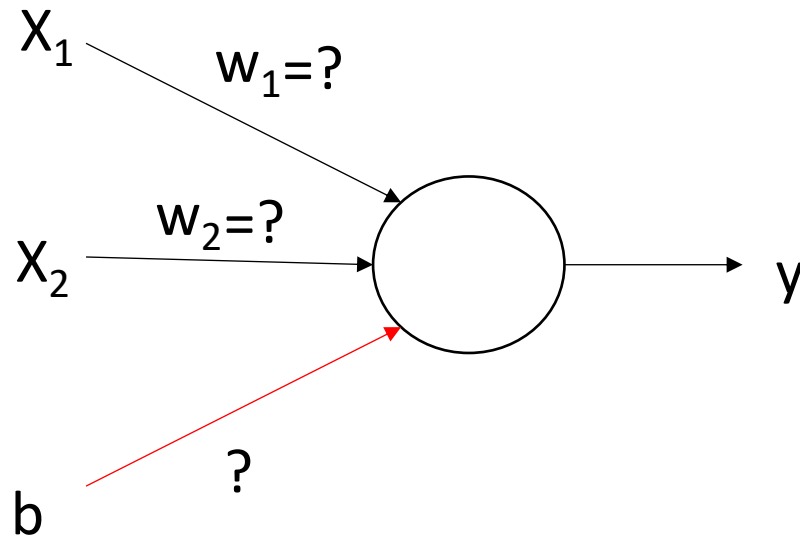
OR		
X1	X2	y
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1	1	1



Perceptron for the function XOR

$$y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b \leq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } w \cdot x + b > 0 \end{cases}$$

XOR		
X1	X2	y
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0



The equation of the perceptron is a linear equation.

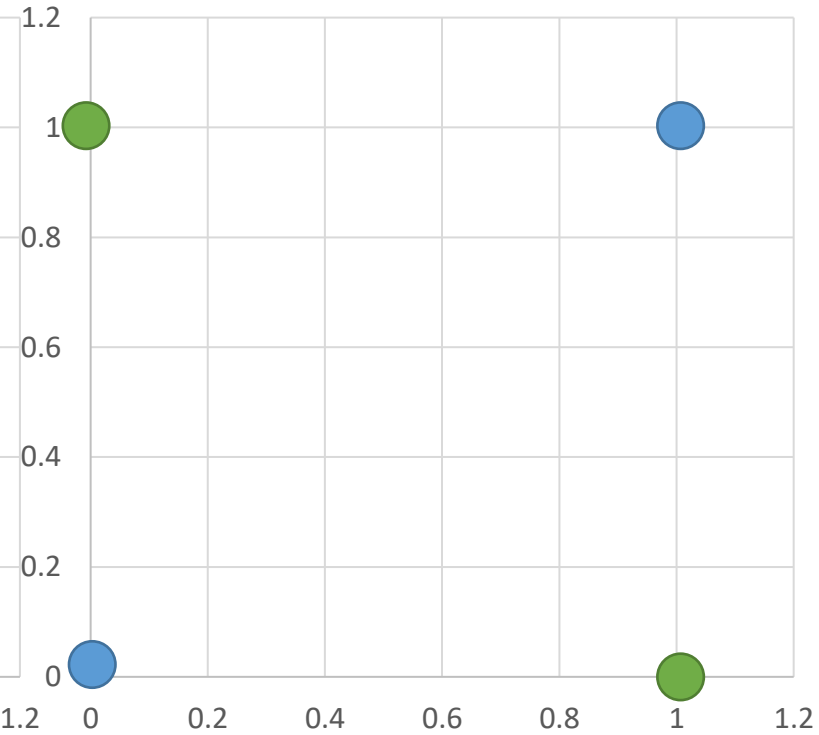
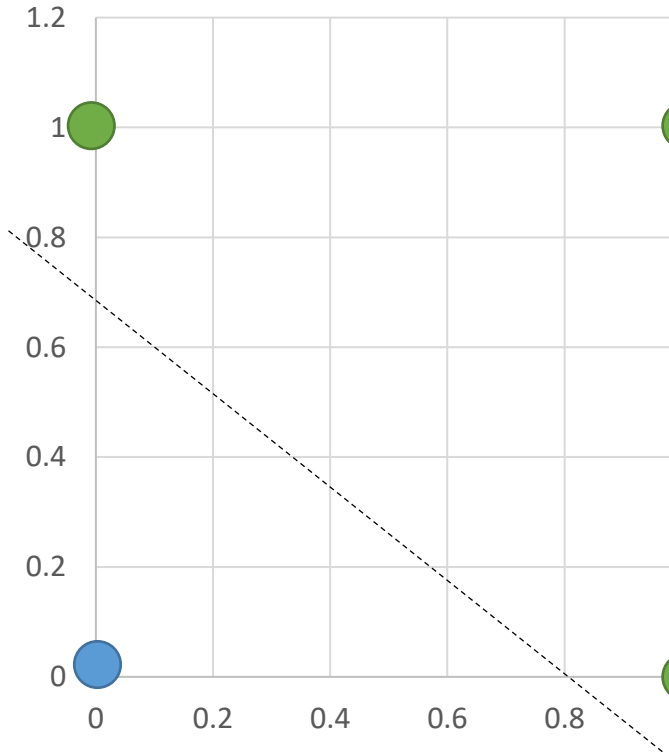
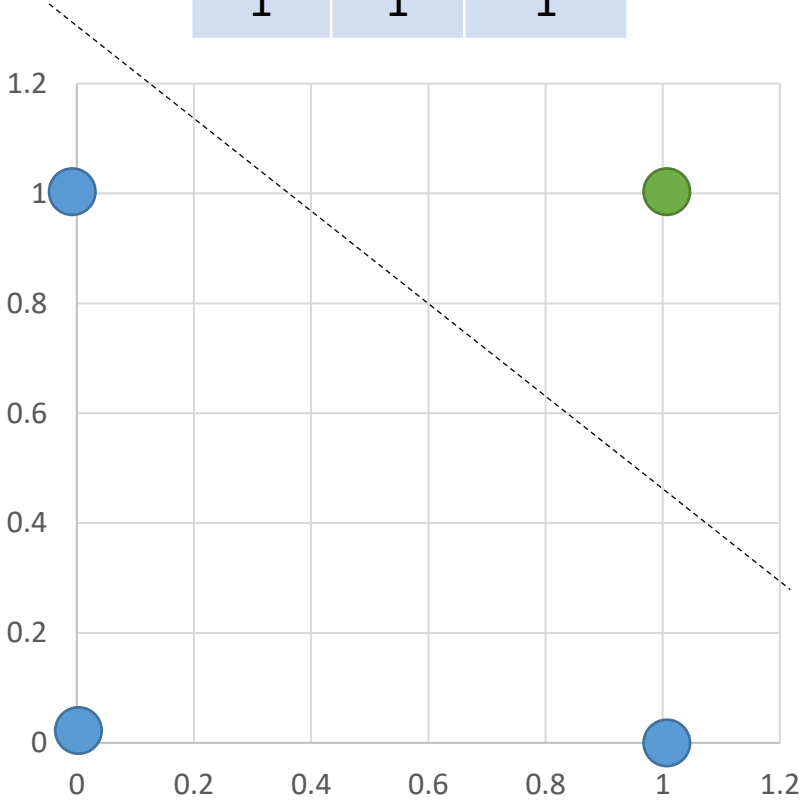
$$w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + b = 0$$

$$x_2 = -(w_1/w_2)x_1 - b/w_2$$

AND		
X1	X2	y
0	0	0
1	0	0
0	1	0
1	1	1

OR		
X1	X2	y
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	1

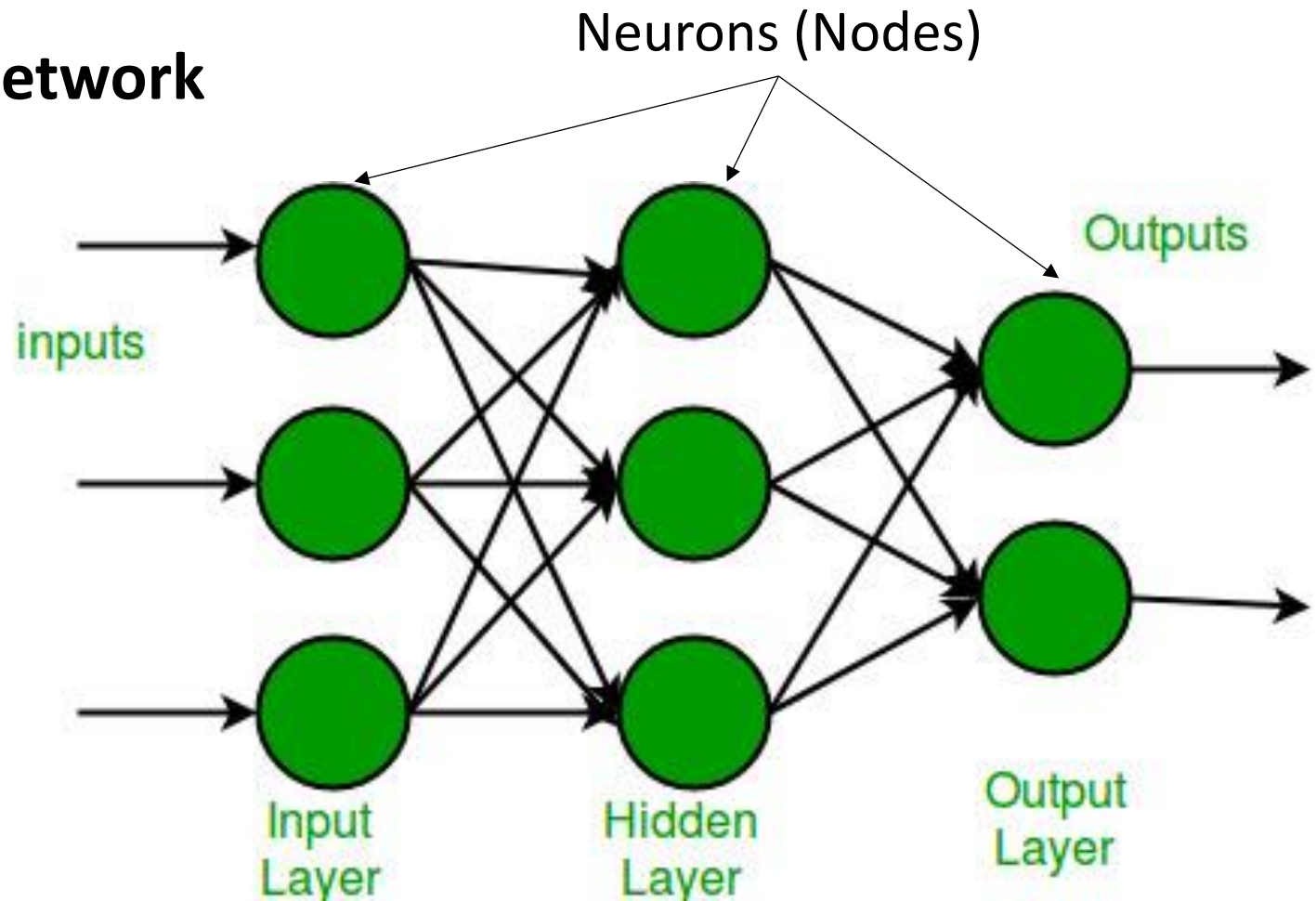
XOR		
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XOR is not a linearly separable function

The components of a neural network

The solution is to use the **multilayer perceptron (MLP)**, or what we call now the neural networks

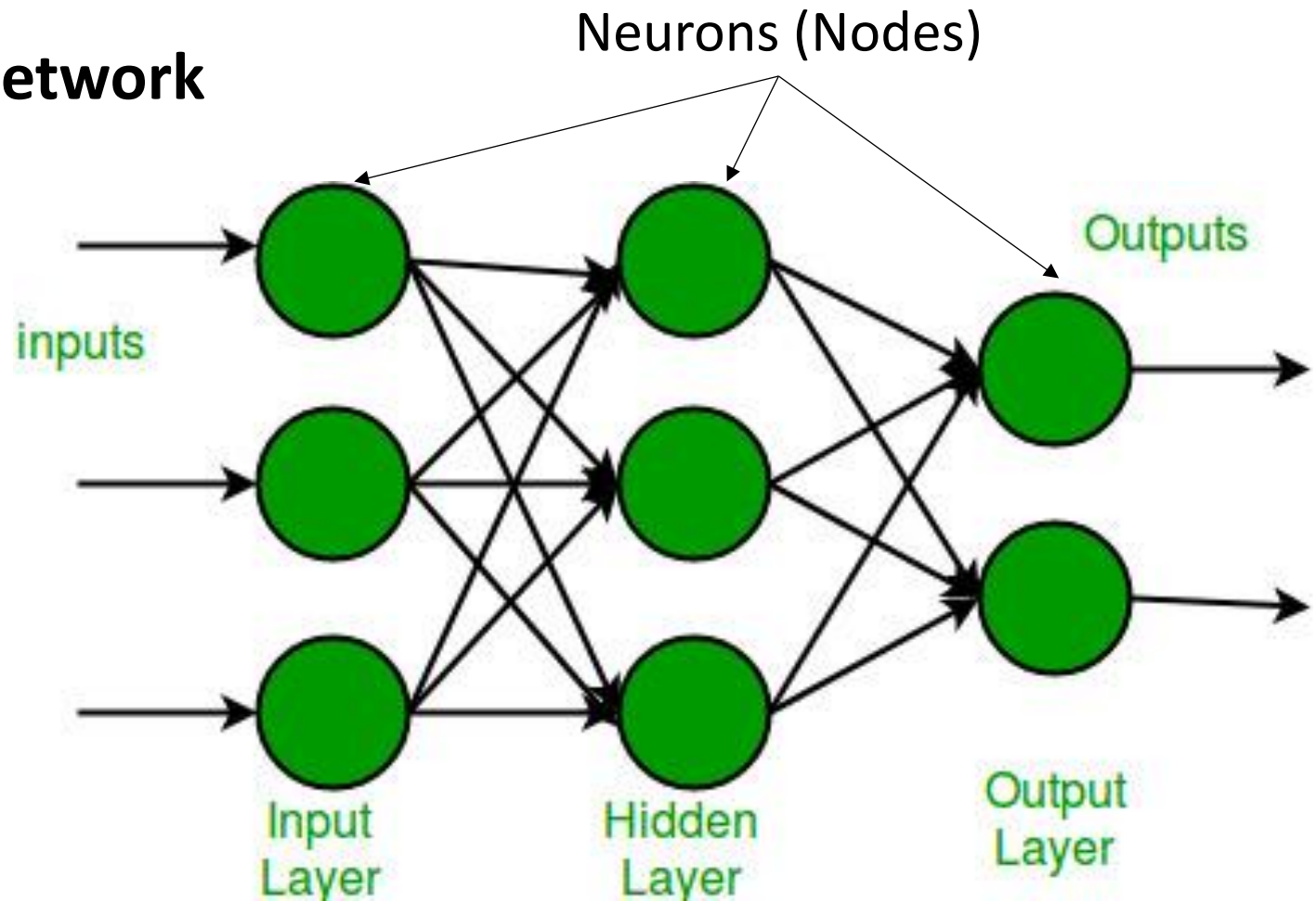


1. Neurons (Nodes)

The basic computational unit in a neural network

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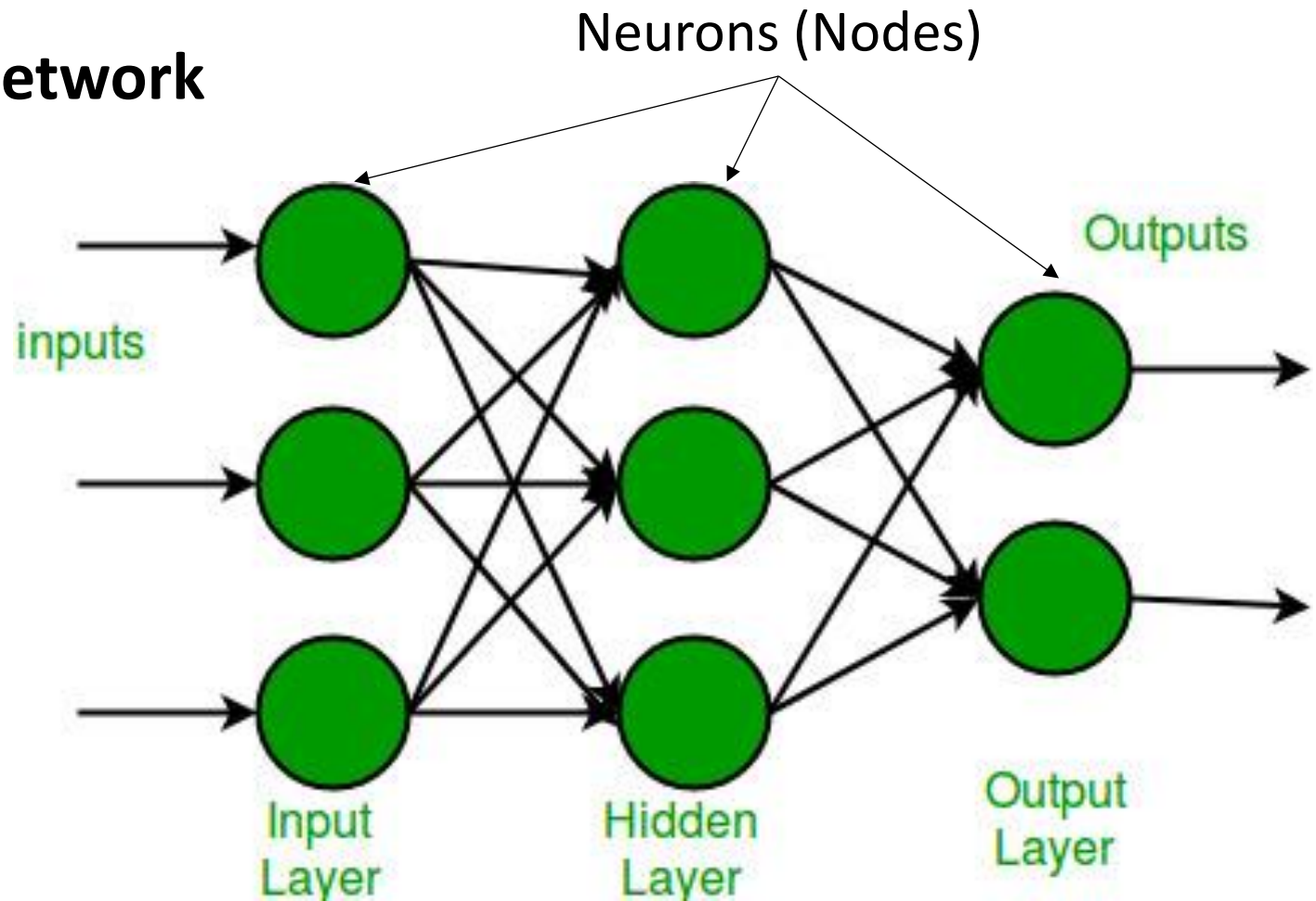


2. Layers

Neural networks are organized into layers:

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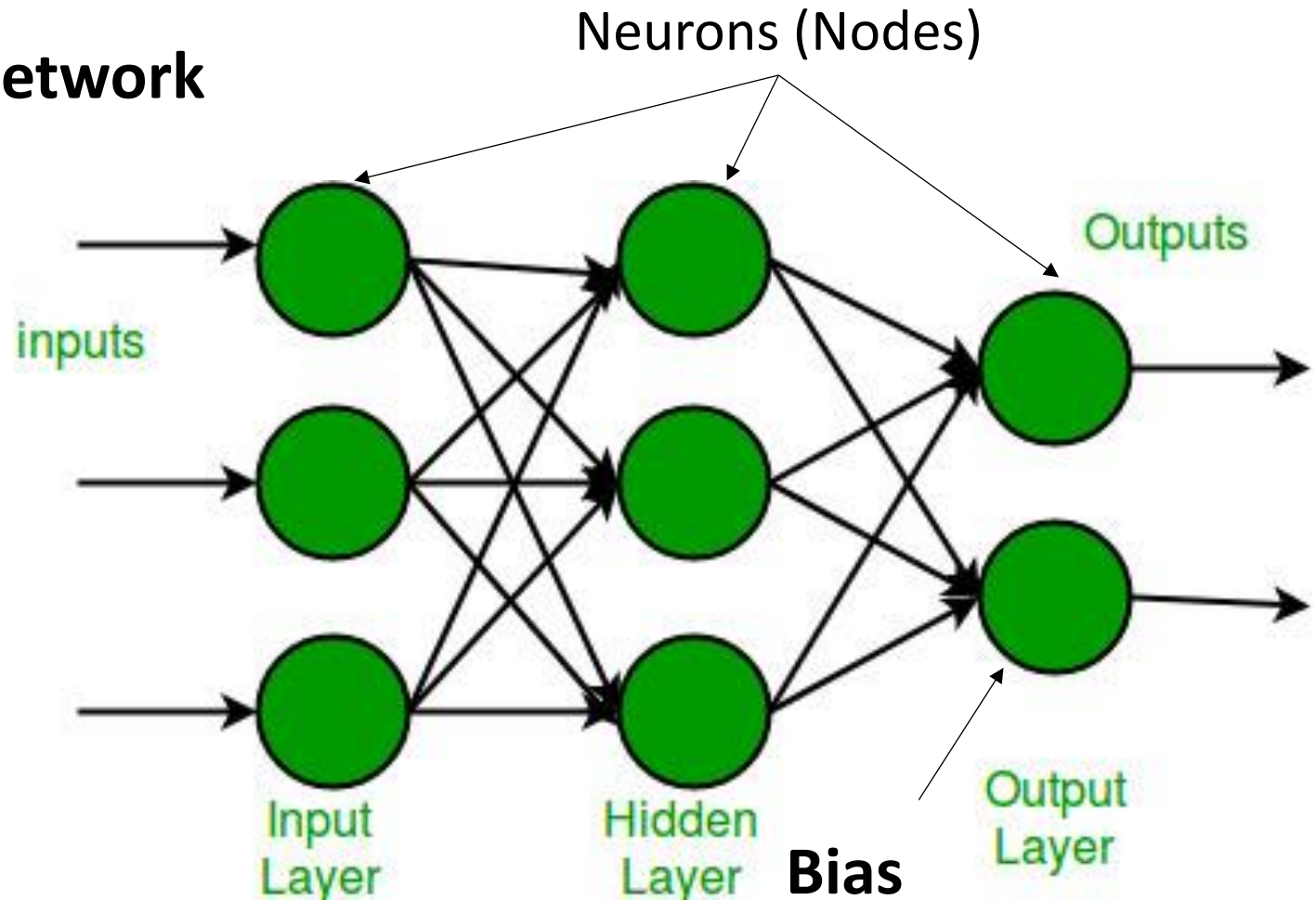


3. Weights

Parameters that determine the importance of each input connection to a neuron.

The components of a neural network

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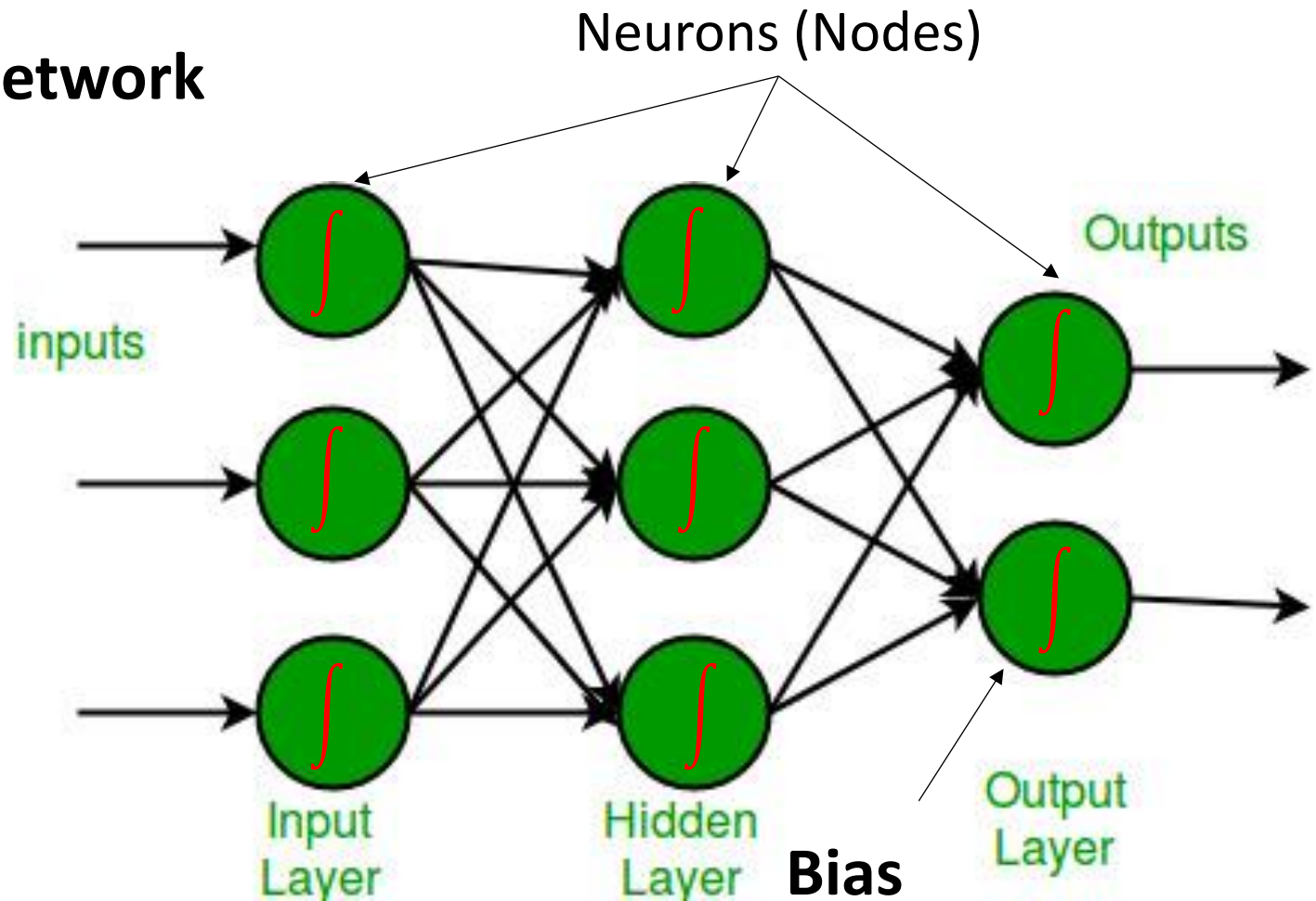


4. Bias

An additional parameter added to the weighted sum to shift the activation function's output.

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5. Activation Functions

Mathematical functions applied to the weighted sum of inputs.

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- **Sigmoid:** Outputs values between 0 and 1.

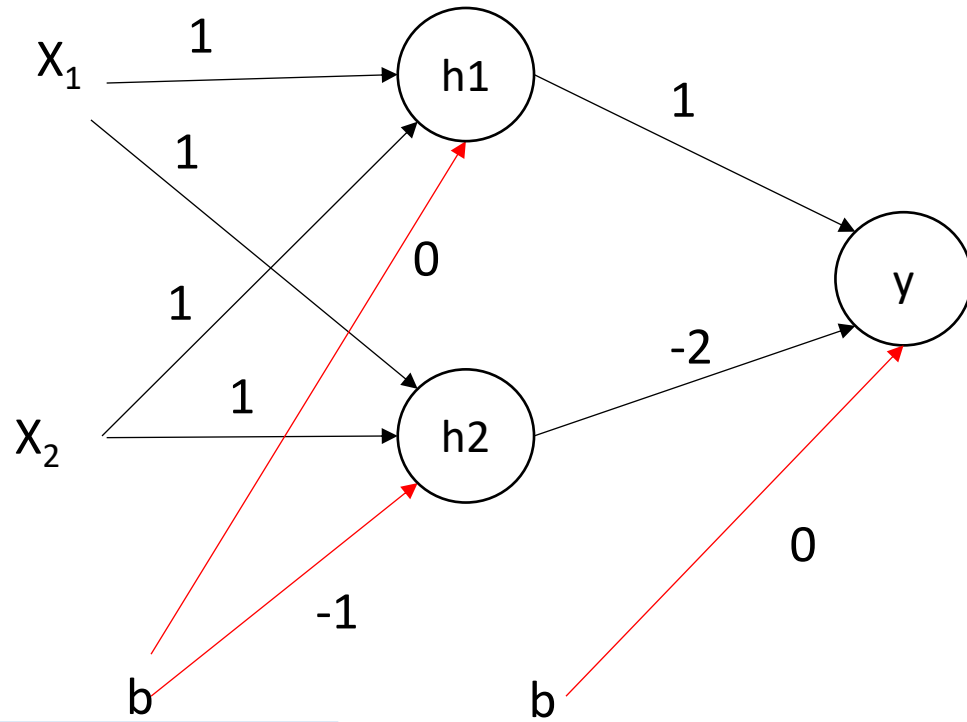
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

- **ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit):** Outputs $\max(0, x)$

$$\text{ReLU}(x) = x^+ = \max(0, x) = \frac{x + |x|}{2} = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0, \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

- **SoftPlus Function**

$$f(x) = \log(1 + e^x)$$



XOR

x_1	x_2	y
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0

For 0,0

$$h_1 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(0) = 0$$

$$h_2 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 - 1) = \text{ReLU}(-1) = 0$$

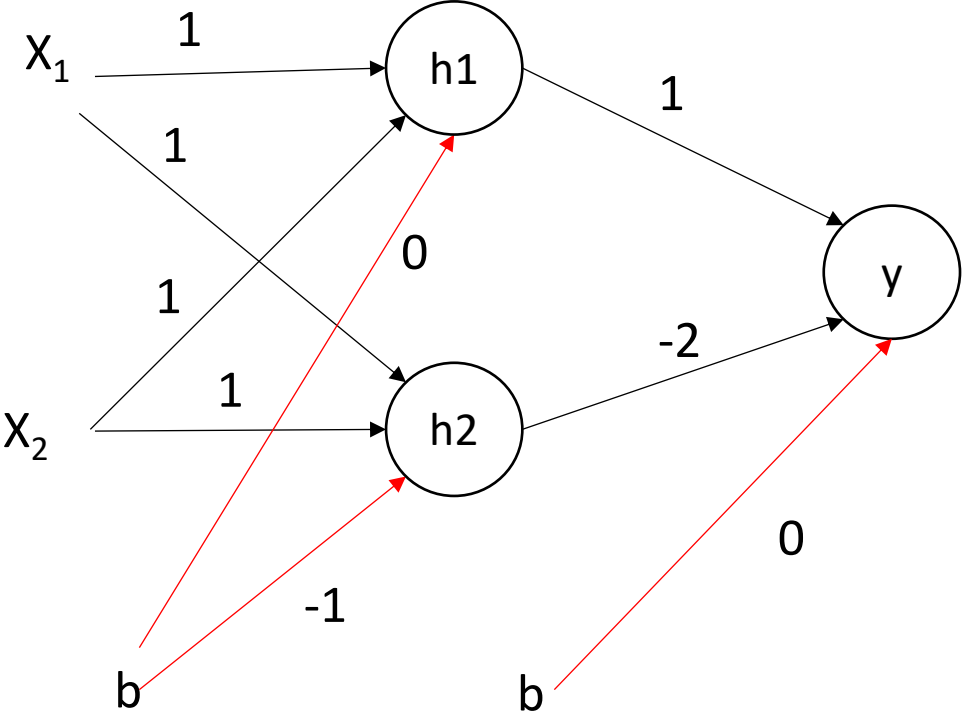
$$y = \text{ReLU}(h_1 * 1 + h_2 * -2 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(0) = 0$$

For 1,0

$$h_1 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(1) = 1$$

$$h_2 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 - 1) = \text{ReLU}(0) = 0$$

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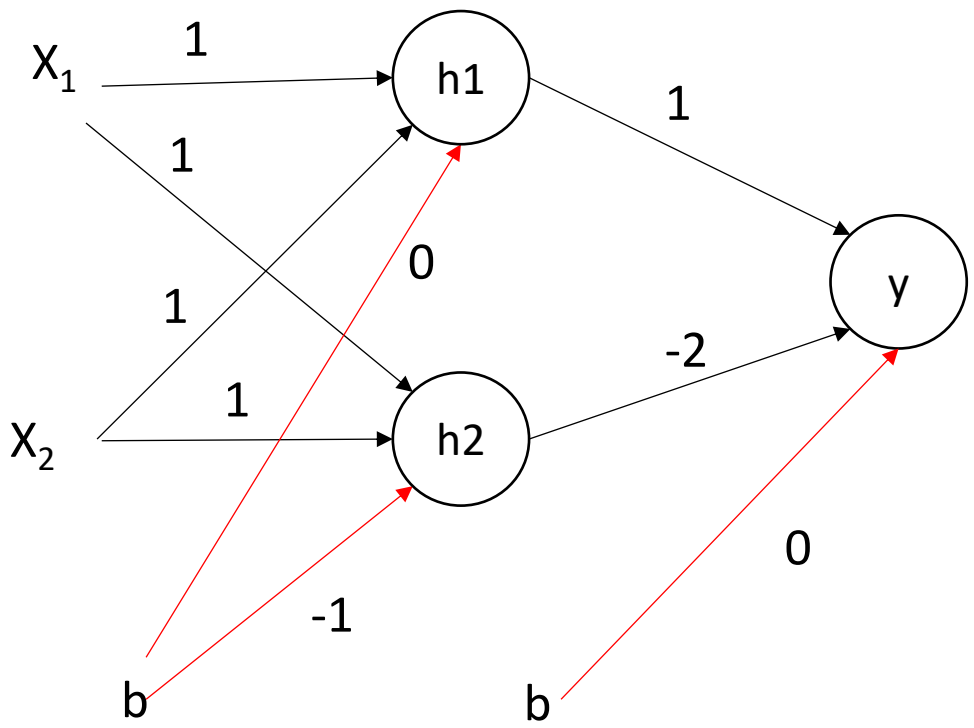
XOR			
X1	X2	y	h1
0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1

For 0,1

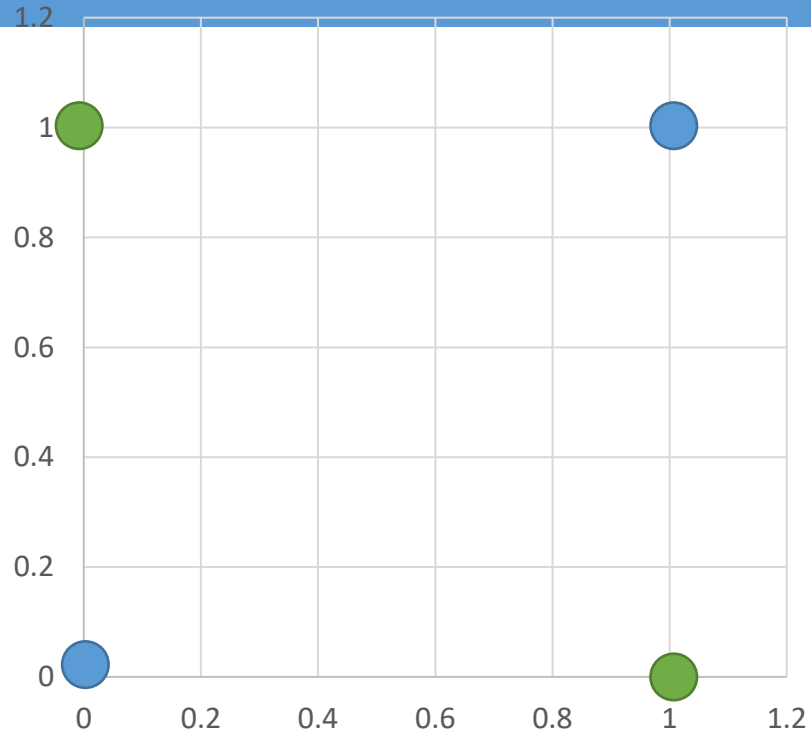
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 $y = \text{ReLU}(h_1 * 1 + h_2 * -2 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(1) = 1$

For 1,1

$h_1 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(2) = 2$
 $h_2 = \text{ReLU}(x_1 * 1 + x_2 * 1 - 1) = \text{ReLU}(1) = 1$
 $y = \text{ReLU}(h_1 * 1 + h_2 * -2 + 0) = \text{ReLU}(0) = 0$

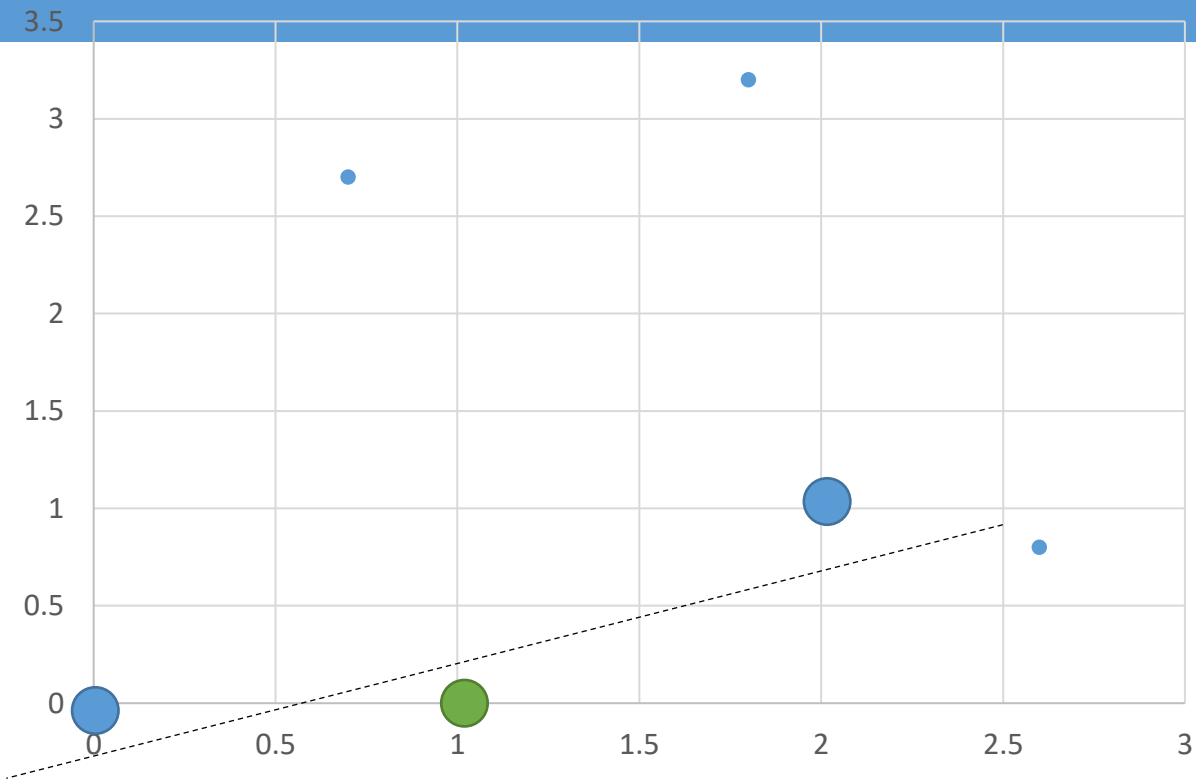


XOR					
X1	X2	y	h1	h2	y
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	2	1	0



The space of X

XOR					
X1	X2	y	h1	h2	y
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	2	1	0



The space of h

The chain rule

What is the derivation of the function y respect to x : $y = (3x^2 + 2)^5$

$$Y = 32 + 240x^2 + 720x^4 + 1080x^6 + 810x^8 + 243x^{10}.$$

The **chain rule** is a fundamental concept in calculus used to compute the derivative of a composite function. It allows you to calculate how a change in an input variable propagates through a sequence of dependent functions.

Mathematical Definition

If a function y depends on u , and u depends on x , i.e., $y = f(u)$ and $u = g(x)$

Then the derivative of y with respect to x is:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx}$$

This means you take the derivative of the outer function with respect to its argument (u) and multiply it by the derivative of the inner function (u) with respect to x .

The chain rule Example

$$y = (3x^2 + 2)^5$$

Let's put $y = u^5$, and $u = (3x^2 + 2)$

According to the chain rule : $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} * \frac{du}{dx}$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{du^5}{du} * \frac{d(3x^2 + 2)}{dx}$$


 $5u^4 *$

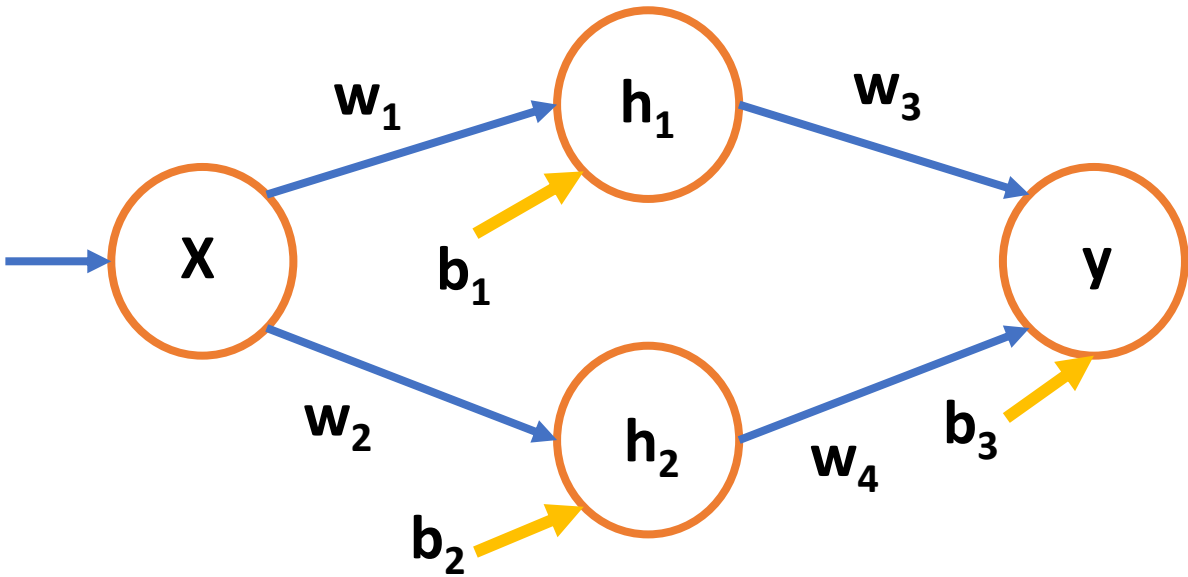

 $6x$

Substitute: $5(3x^2 + 2)^4 * 6x = 30x(3x^2 + 2)^4$

Neural Network Example

Let’s consider the following dataset which represents the value of any given function.

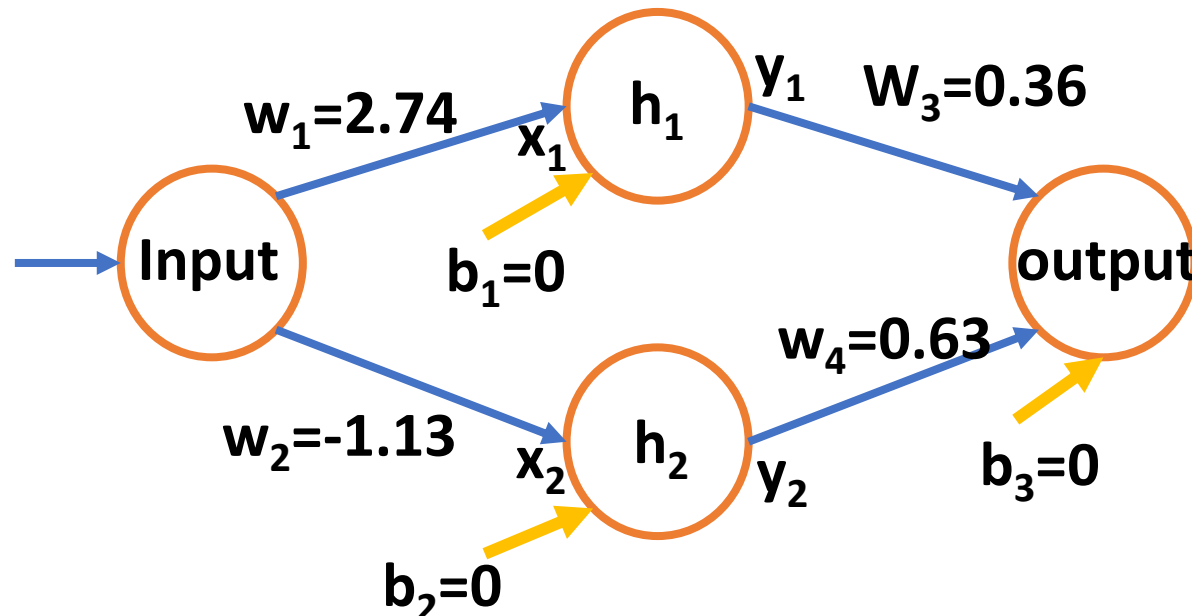
Input	Real observed
0	0
0.5	1
1	0



Initializing Weights and biases

In a neural network, the initial values for the **weights** (w) and **biases** (b) are crucial for starting the learning process. Proper initialization helps the model learn effectively and avoids issues like vanishing gradients or slow convergence

- **Uniform Distribution:** Weights are randomly initialized in a uniform range (e.g., $[-3,3]$).
- **Biases are initialized to 0**



Activation Functions

We use the **SoftPlus Function**

$$f(x) = \log(1 + e^x)$$

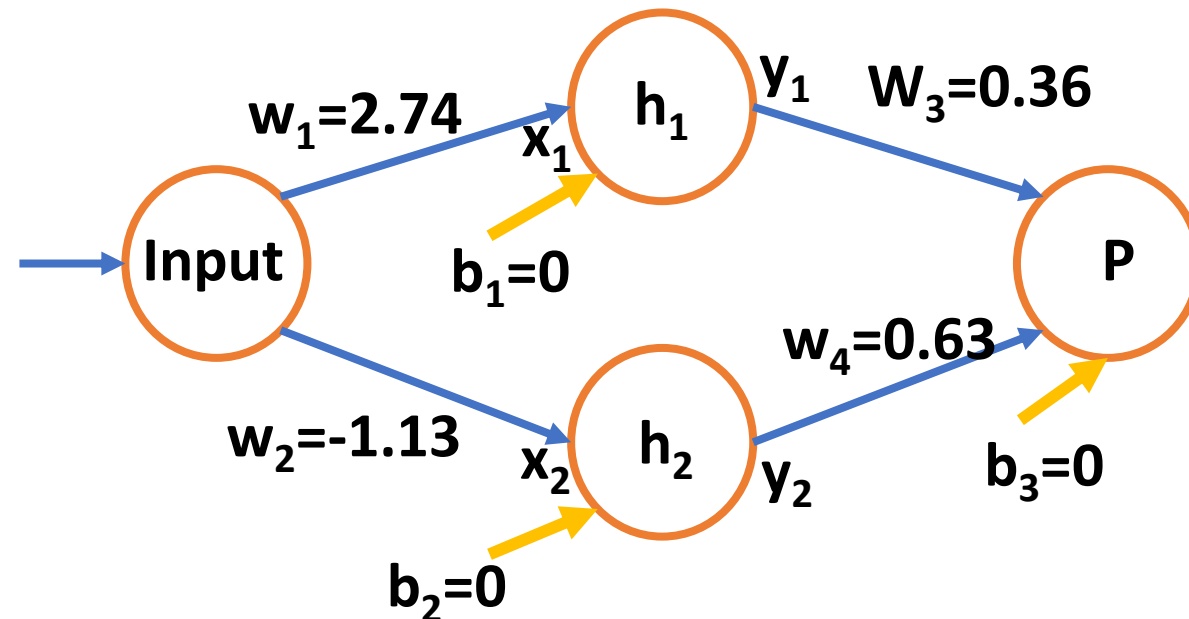
Activation Functions

We use the **SoftPlus** activation function defined in the previous slides. $f(x) = \log(1 + e^x)$

$$x_1 = input * w_1 + b_1 \quad y_1 = f(x_1)$$

$$x_2 = input * w_2 + b_2 \quad y_2 = f(x_2)$$

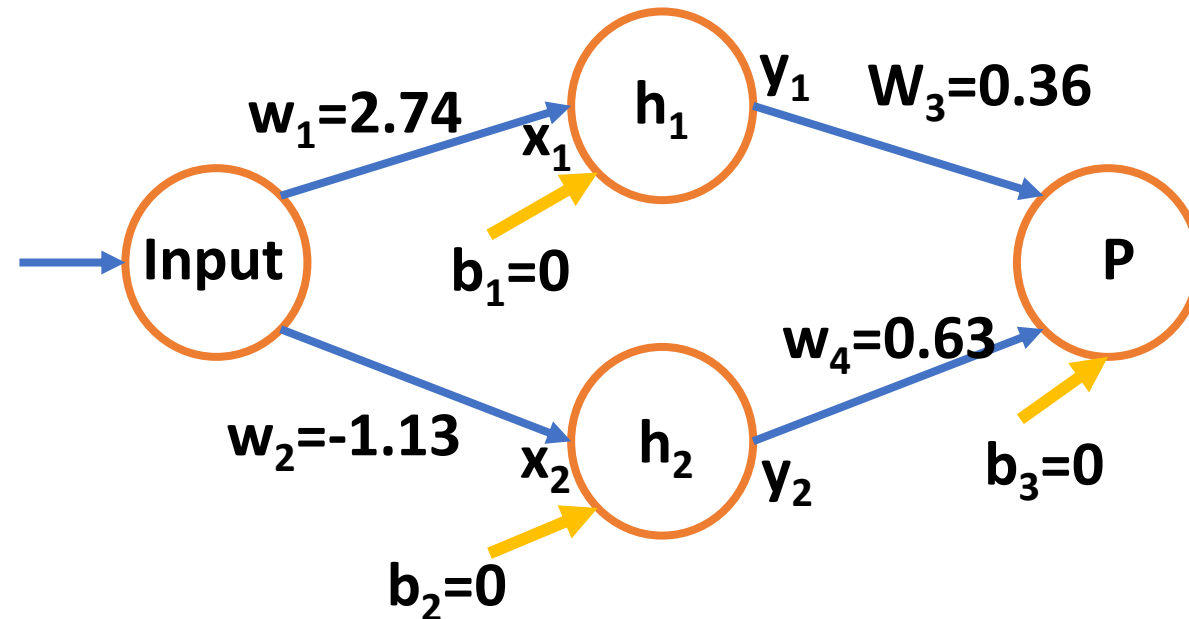
$$P = y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3$$



Calculation of the predicted values for the first row

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= input * w_1 + b_1 & y_1 &= f(x_1) \\x_2 &= input * w_2 + b_2 & y_2 &= f(x_2)\end{aligned}$$

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$$x_2 = input * w_2 + b_2 \quad y_2 = f(x_2)$$

$$P = y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3$$

$$x_1 = 0 * 2.74 + 0 = 0$$

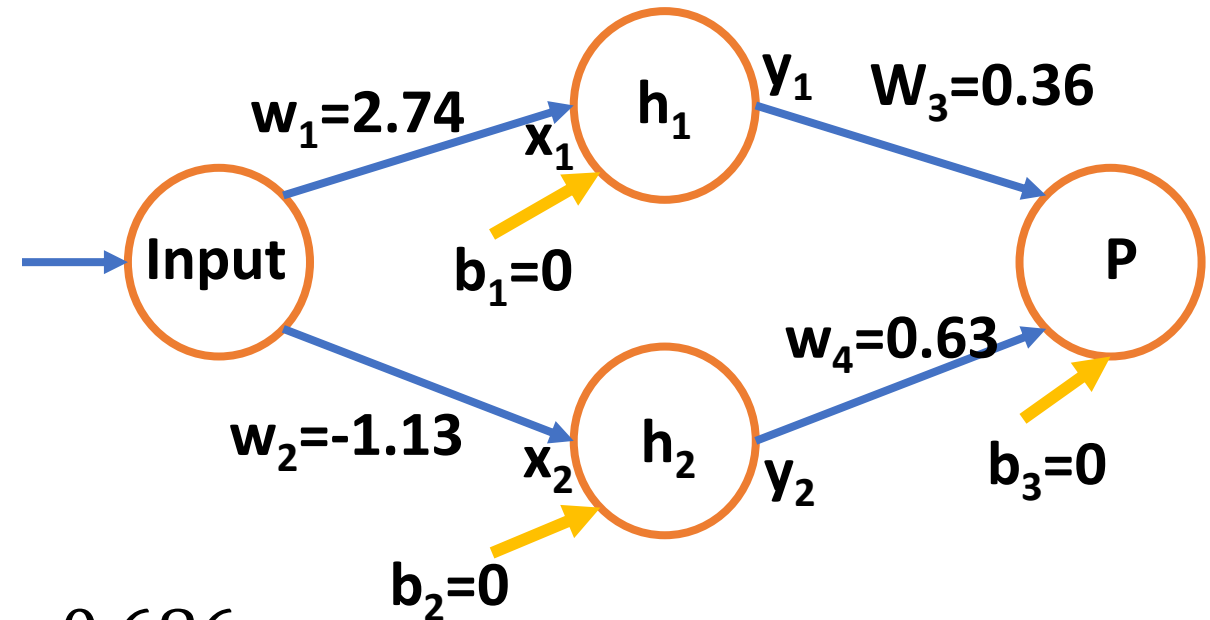
$$x_2 = 0 * (-1.13) + 0 = 0$$

$$y_1 = f(x_1) = \log(1 + e^0) = 0.693$$

$$y_2 = f(x_2) = \log(1 + e^0) = 0.693$$

$$P = 0.693 * 0.36 + 0.693 * 0.63 + 0 = 0.686$$

Input	real	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0					
0.5	1					0.85
1	0					1.19



Calculation of the predicted values for the second row

$$x_1 = input * w_1 + b_1 \quad y_1 = f(x_1)$$

$$x_2 = input * w_2 + b_2 \quad y_2 = f(x_2)$$

$$P = y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3$$

$$x_1 = 0.5 * 2.74 + 0 = 1.37$$

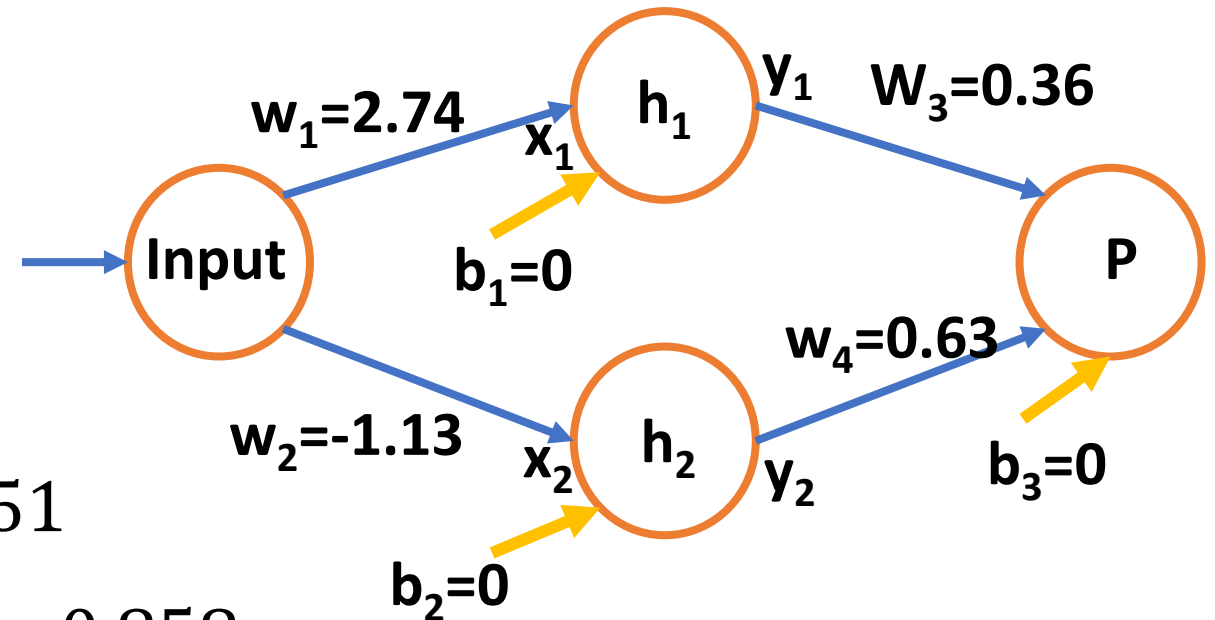
$$x_2 = 0.5 * (-1.13) + 0 = -0.565$$

$$y_1 = f(x_1) = \log(1 + e^{1.37}) = 1.598$$

$$y_2 = f(x_2) = \log(1 + e^{-0.565}) = 0.451$$

$$P = 1.598 * 0.36 + 0.451 * 0.63 + 0 = 0.858$$

Input	real	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1					0.85
1	0					1.19



Calculation of the predicted values for the third row

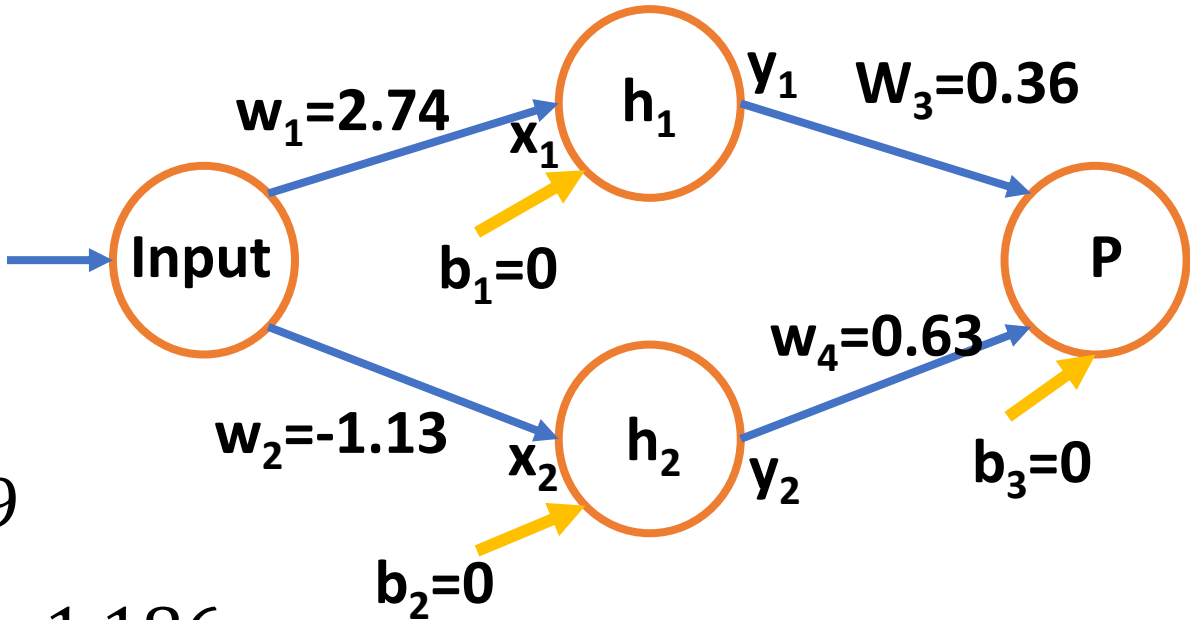
$x_1 = input * w_1 + b_1 \quad y_1 = f(x_1)$

$x_2 = input * w_2 + b_2 \quad y_2 = f(x_2)$

$P = y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3$

$x_1 = 1 * 2.74 + 0 = 2.74$
 $x_2 = 1 * (-1.13) + 0 = -1.13$
 $y_1 = f(x_1) = \log(1 + e^{2.74}) = 2.804$
 $y_2 = f(x_2) = \log(1 + e^{-1.13}) = 0.279$
 $P = 2.804 * 0.36 + 0.279 * 0.63 + 0 = 1.186$

Input	real	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1	1.37	-0.565	1.598	0.451	0.858
1	0					1.19



Calculation of the predicted values for the first row

$$x_1 = input * w_1 + b_1 \quad y_1 = f(x_1)$$

$$x_2 = input * w_2 + b_2 \quad y_2 = f(x_2)$$

$$P = y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3$$

$$x_1 = 1 * 2.74 + 0 = 2.74$$

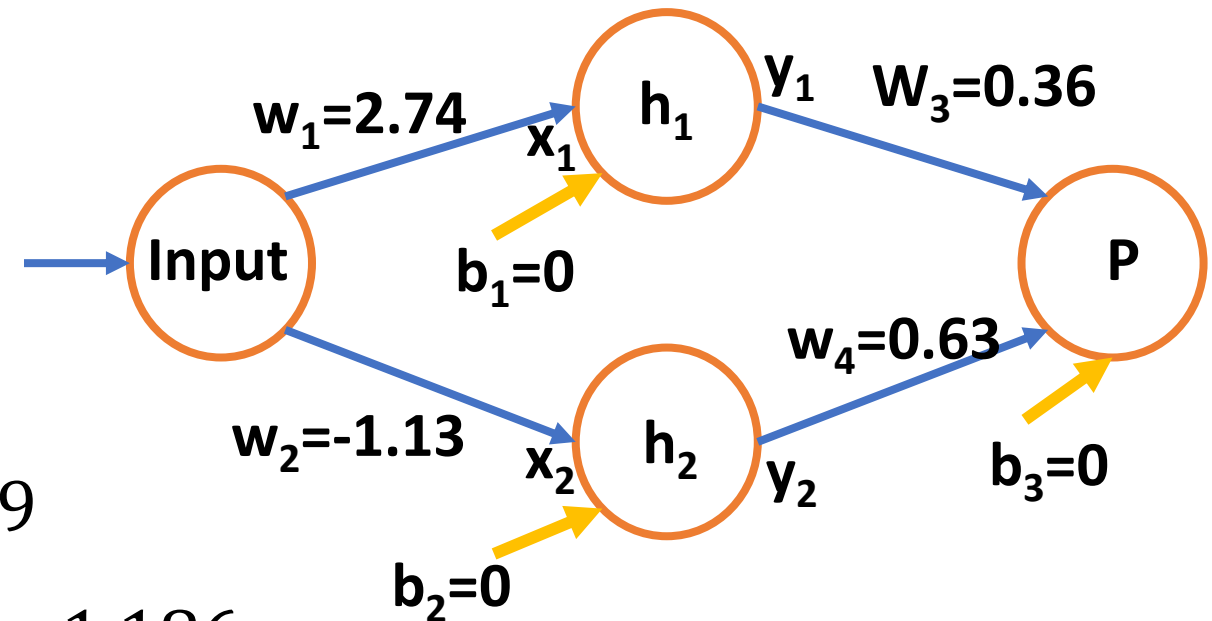
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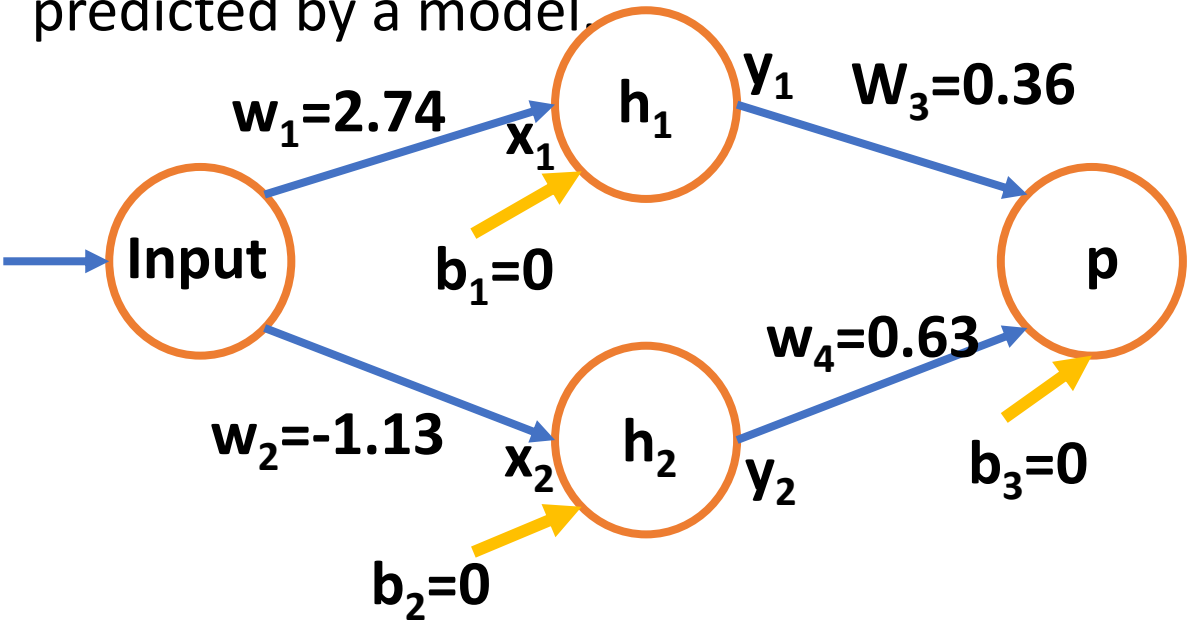
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1	0	2.74	-1.13	2.804	0.279	1.186



The backpropagation algorithm

The first thing that we have to de is to measure the error

The **Residual Sum of Squares (RSS)** is a measure used in regression analysis to evaluate the difference between the observed values and the values predicted by a model.



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$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (O - P)^2$$

O is the actual value (the real value)

P is the predicted value for the i -th observation

n is the total number of observations.

The backpropagation algorithm

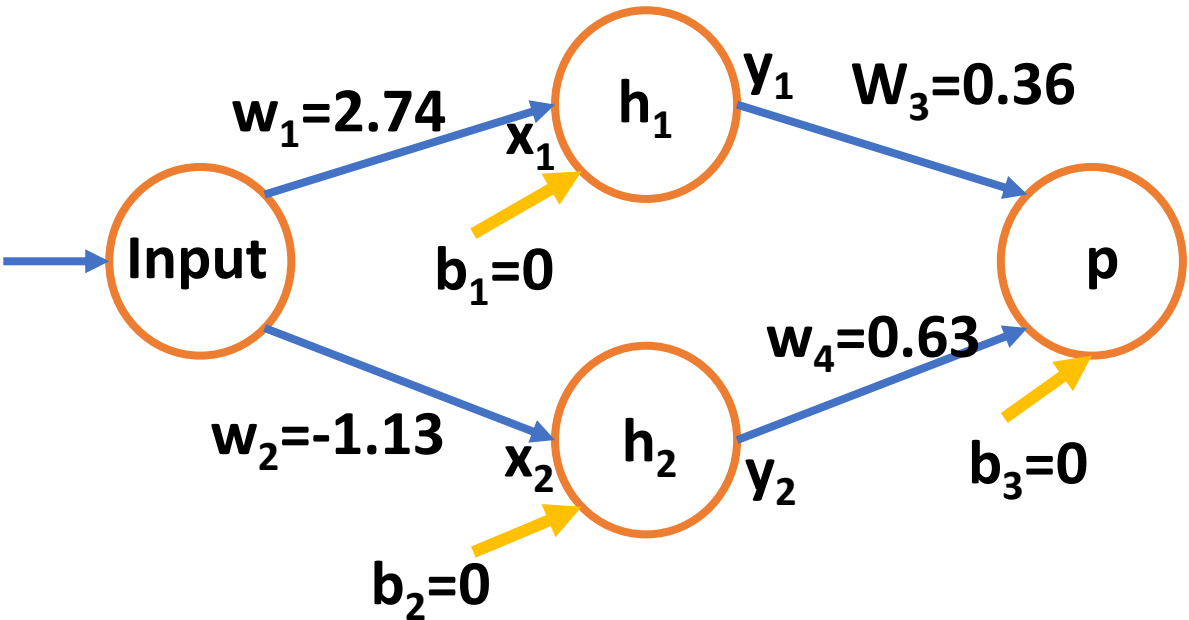
We have to update the values of weights and biases

To do that we need to compute :

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_3}$$



Input	real	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
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$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_2}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_4}$$

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (O - P)^2$$

The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1} = \frac{dRSS}{dP} * \frac{dP}{dy_1} * \frac{dy_1}{dx_1} * \frac{dx_1}{db_1}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dP} = \frac{d \sum_{i=1}^3 (O - P)^2}{dP} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^3 d(O - P)^2}{dP}$$

$$\frac{dP}{dy_1} = \frac{d(y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3)}{dy_1}$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx_1} = \frac{d \log(1 + e^{x_1})}{dx_1} = \frac{e^{x_1}}{1 + e^{x_1}}$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{db_1} = \frac{d(input * w_1 + b_1)}{db_1} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dRSS}{dP} &= \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O - P) \\ \frac{dP}{dy_1} &= w_3 \quad \frac{dy_1}{dx_1} = \frac{e^{x_1}}{1 + e^{x_1}} \\ \frac{dx_1}{db_1} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (O - P)^2$$

The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_3 * \frac{e^{x_1}}{1+e^{x_1}} * 1$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_4 * \frac{e^{x_2}}{1+e^{x_2}} * 1$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_3} = \frac{dRSS}{dP} * \frac{dP}{db_3} \qquad \frac{dP}{db_3} = \frac{d(y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3)}{db_3}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * 1$$

The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = \frac{dRSS}{dP} * \frac{dP}{dy_1} * \frac{dy_1}{dx_1} * \frac{dx_1}{dw_1}$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dP} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O - P)$$

$$\frac{dP}{dy_1} = \frac{d(y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3)}{dy_1} \quad \frac{dP}{dy_1} = w_3$$

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx_1} = \frac{d \log(1 + e^{x_1})}{dx_1} = \frac{e^{x_1}}{1 + e^{x_1}}$$

$$\frac{dx_1}{dw_1} = \frac{d(input * w_1 + b_1)}{db_1} = input$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_3 * \frac{e^{x_1}}{1 + e^{x_1}} * input$$

The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_3 * \frac{e^{x_1}}{1+e^{x_1}} * \text{input}_i$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_2} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_4 * \frac{e^{x_2}}{1+e^{x_2}} * \text{input}_i$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3} = \frac{dRSS}{dP} * \frac{dP}{dw_3} \qquad \frac{dP}{dw_3} = \frac{d(y_1 * w_3 + y_2 * w_4 + b_3)}{dw_3} = y_1$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * y_1$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_4} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * y_2$$

The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_3 * \frac{e^{x_1}}{1+e^{x_1}} * \text{input}_i$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_2} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_4 * \frac{e^{x_2}}{1+e^{x_2}} * \text{input}_i$$

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The backpropagation algorithm

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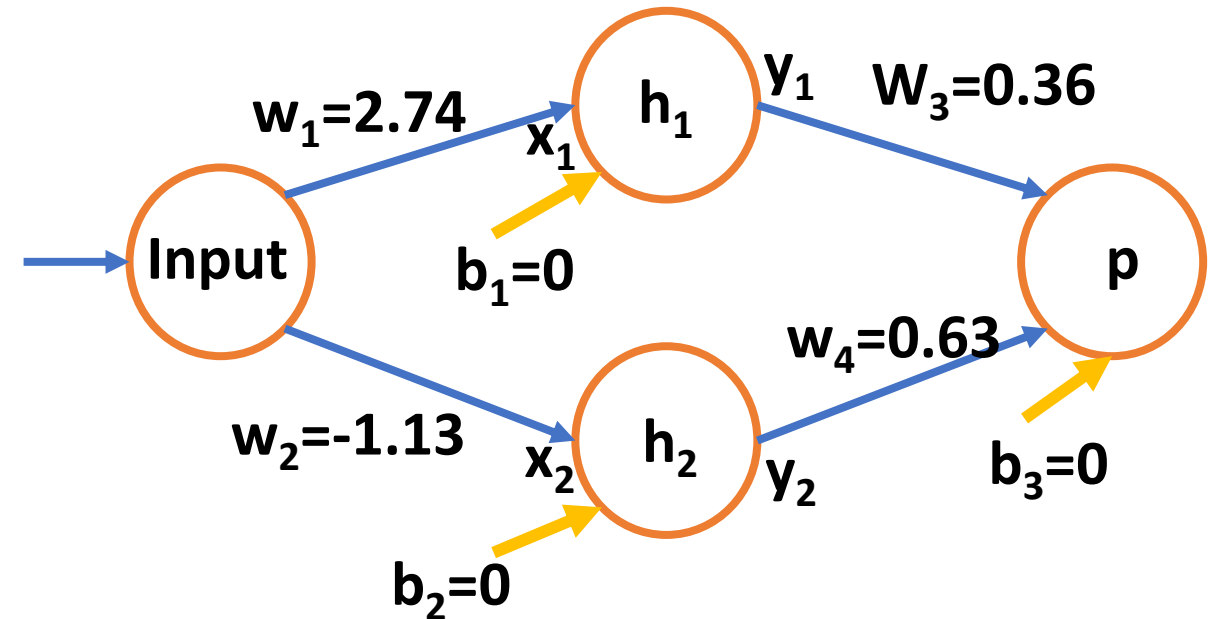
$$= -2(0 - 0.686) * 0.36 * \frac{e^0}{1+e^0}$$

$$-2(1 - 0.858) * 0.36 * \frac{e^{1.37}}{1+e^{1.37}}$$

$$-2(0 - 1.186) * 0.36 * \frac{e^{2.74}}{1+e^{2.74}}$$

$$= 0.965$$

Input	Observed	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1	1.37	-0.565	1.598	0.451	0.858
1	0	2.74	-1.13	2.804	0.279	1.186



The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_4 * \frac{e^{x_2}}{1+e^{x_2}} * 1$$

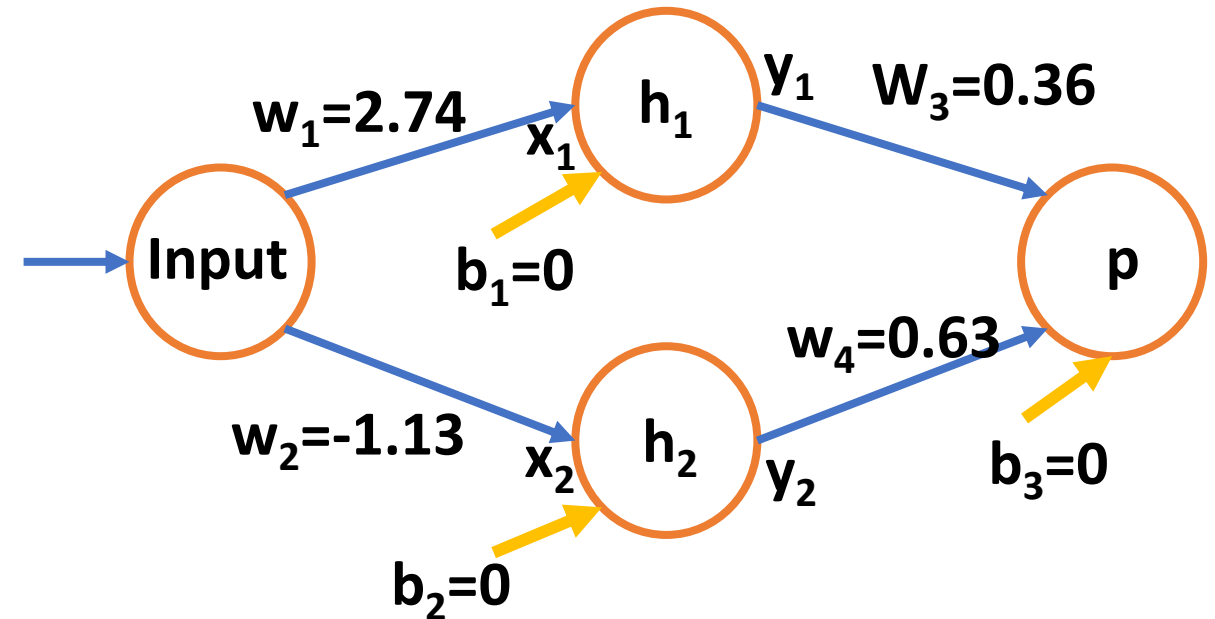
$$= -2(0 - 0.686) * 0.63 * \frac{e^0}{1+e^0}$$

$$-2(1 - 0.858) * 0.63 * \frac{e^{-0.565}}{1 + e^{-0.565}}$$

$$-2(0 - 1.186) * 0.63 * \frac{e^{-1.13}}{1 + e^{-1.13}}$$

$$= 0.740$$

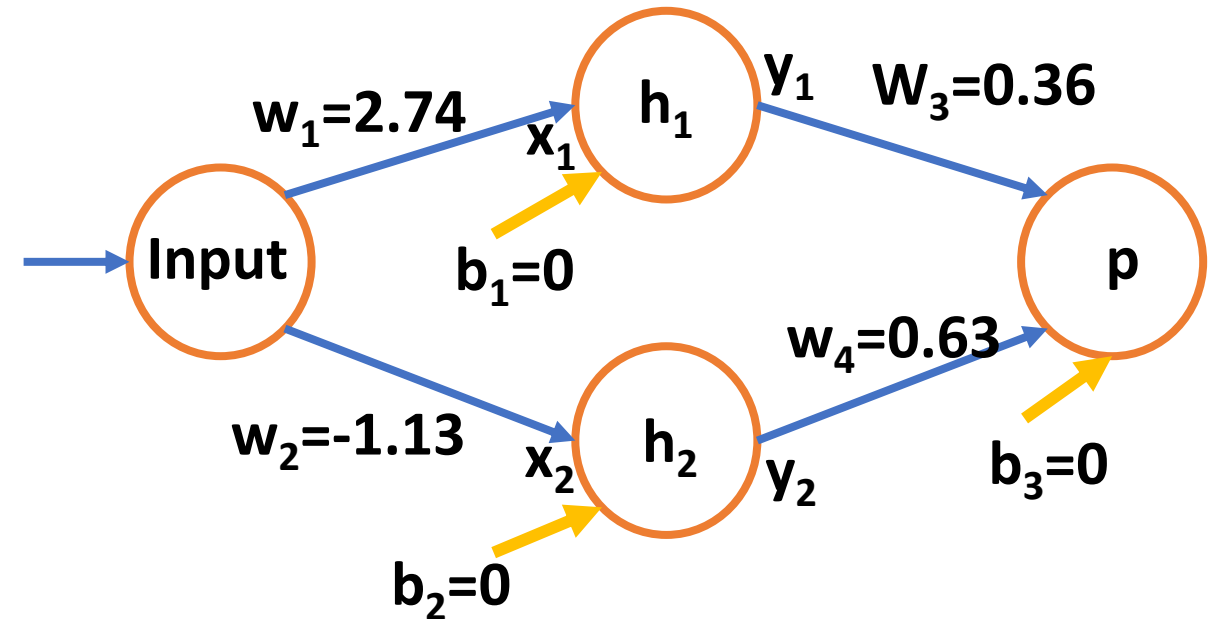
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The backpropagation algorithm

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dRSS}{db_3} &= \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * 1 \\ &= -2(0 - 0.686) - 2(1 - 0.858) \\ &\quad -2(0 - 1.186) \\ &= 3.460\end{aligned}$$

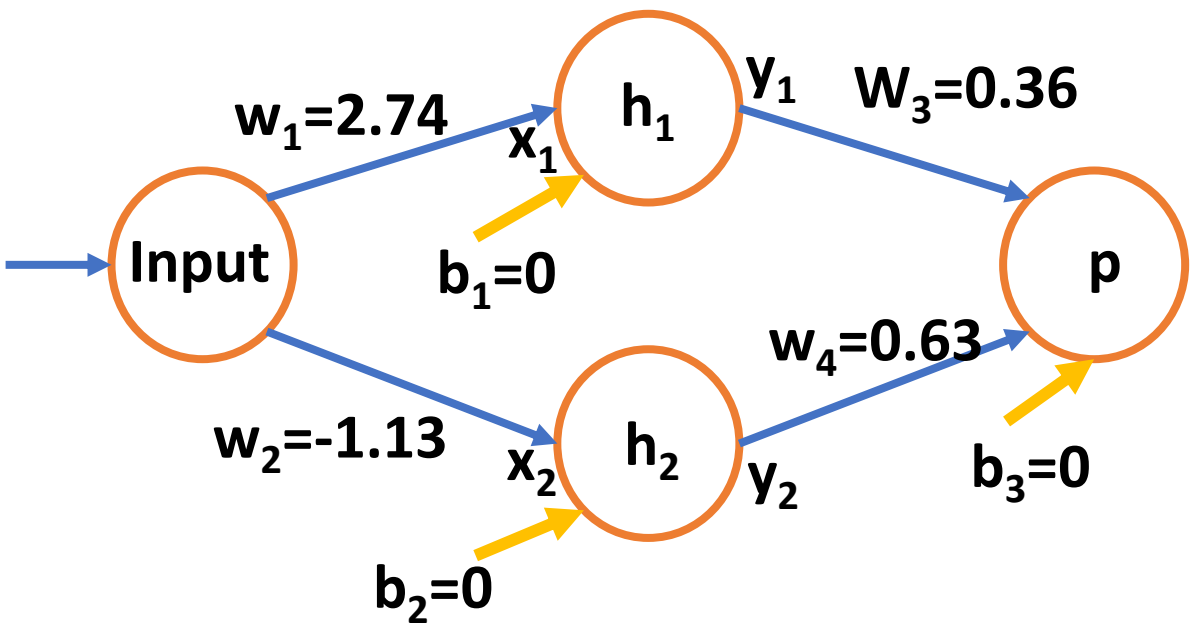
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0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1	1.37	-0.565	1.598	0.451	0.858
1	0	2.74	-1.13	2.804	0.279	1.186



The backpropagation algorithm

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = \sum_{i=1}^3 -2(O_i - P_i) * w_3 * \frac{e^{x_1}}{1+e^{x_1}} * input_i$$
$$= -2(0 - 0.686) * 0.36 * \frac{e^0}{1+e^0} * 0$$
$$-2(1 - 0.858) * 0.36 * \frac{e^{1.37}}{1+e^{1.37}} * 0.5$$
$$-2(0 - 1.186) * 0.36 * \frac{e^{2.74}}{1+e^{2.74}} * 1$$
$$= 0.760$$

Input	Observed	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1	1.37	-0.565	1.598	0.451	0.858
1	0	2.74	-1.13	2.804	0.279	1.186



The backpropagation algorithm

In the same way

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1} = 0.965$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = 0.760$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2} = 0.740$$

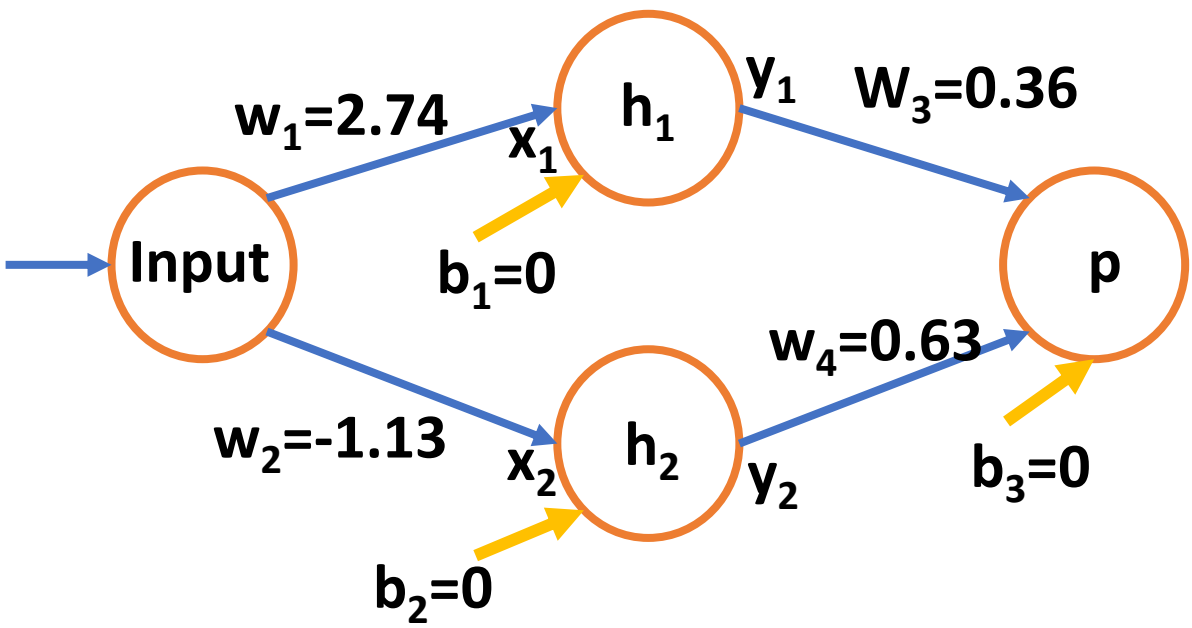
$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_2} = 0.33$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_3} = 3.460$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3} = 7.14$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_4} = 1.49$$

Input	Observed	x_1	x_2	y_1	y_2	Predicted values
0	0	0	0	0.693	0.693	0.686
0.5	1	1.37	-0.565	1.598	0.451	0.858
1	0	2.74	-1.13	2.804	0.279	1.186



New Values

Step = Derivation * Learning rate

New value = Old value - Step

Learning rate = 0.1

For b_1

$$\text{Step} = 0.965 * 0.1 = 0.0965$$

$$\text{New } b_1 = 0 - 0.0965 = -0.0965$$

For b_2

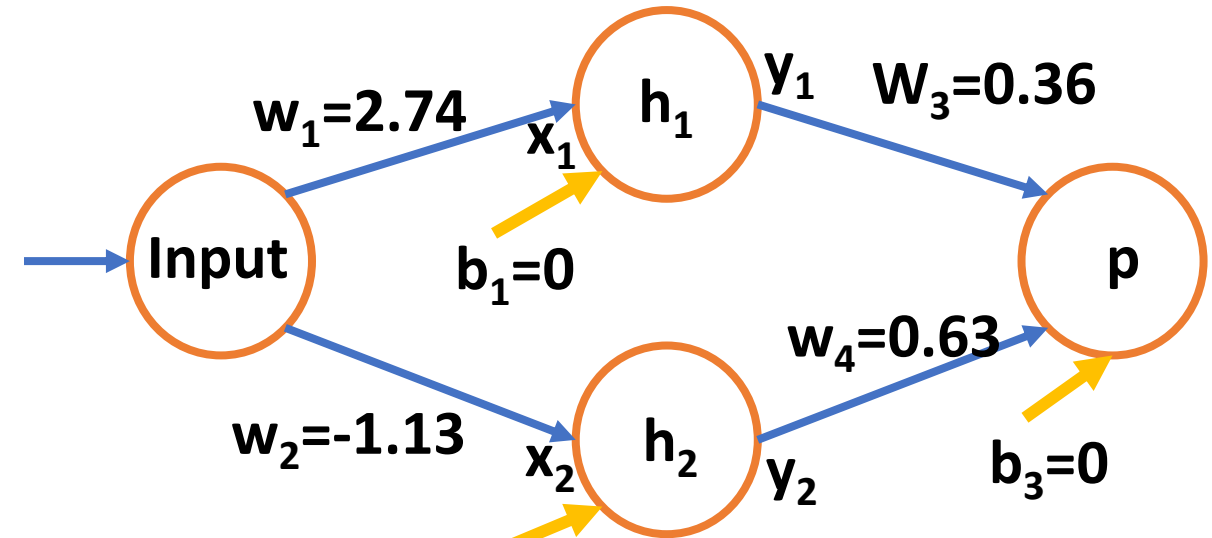
$$\text{Step} = 0.740 * 0.1 = 0.074$$

$$\text{New } b_2 = 0 - 0.074 = -0.074$$

For b_3

$$\text{Step} = 3.460 * 0.1 = 0.346$$

$$\text{New } b_3 = 0 - 0.346 = -0.346$$



$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1} = 0.965$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2} = 0.740$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_3} = 3.460$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = 0.760$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_2} = 0.33$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3} = 7.14$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_4} = 1.49$$

New Values

Step = Derivation * Learning rate

New value = Old value - Step

For w_1

$$\text{Step} = 0.760 * 0.1 = 0.076$$

$$\text{New } w_1 = 2.74 - 0.076 = 2.664$$

For w_2

$$\text{Step} = 0.33 * 0.1 = 0.033$$

$$\text{New } w_2 = -1.13 - 0.033 = -1.163$$

For w_3

$$\text{Step} = 7.14 * 0.1 = 0.714$$

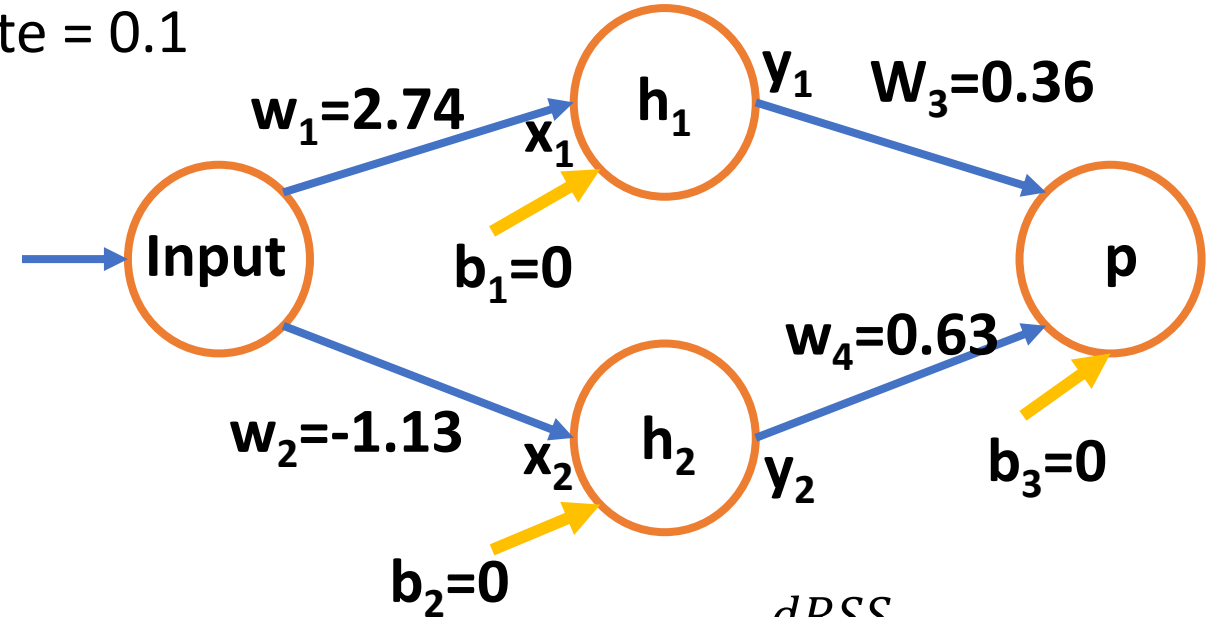
$$\text{New } w_3 = 0.36 - 0.714 = -0.354$$

For w_4

$$\text{Step} = 1.49 * 0.1 = 0.149$$

$$\text{New } w_4 = 0.63 - 0.149 = 0.481$$

Learning rate = 0.1



$$\frac{dRSS}{db_1} = 0.965$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_2} = 0.740$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{db_3} = 3.460$$

$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_1} = 0.760$$

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$$\frac{dRSS}{dw_3} = 7.14$$

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New Values

