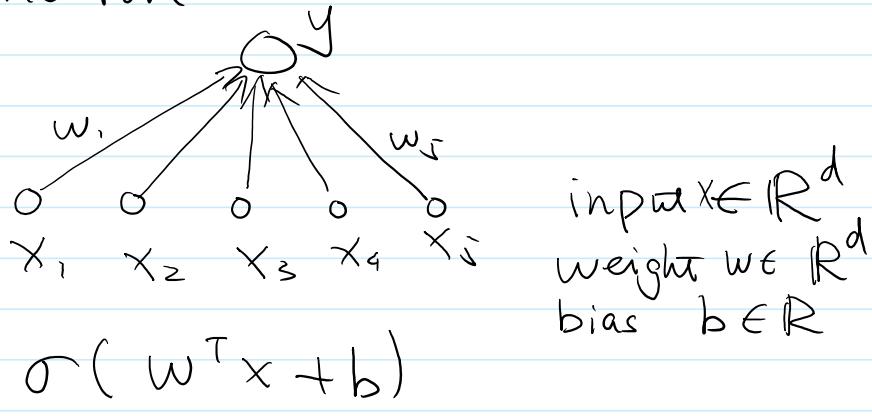


## Lecture 19 Neural Networks

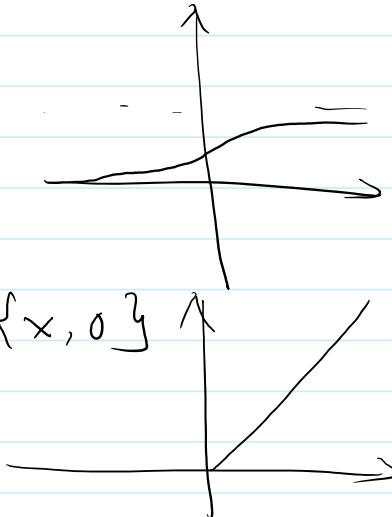
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- single neuron

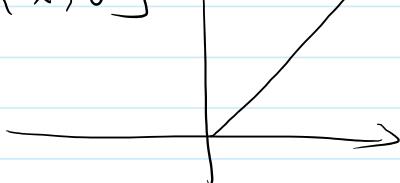


$\sigma$ : nonlinear function

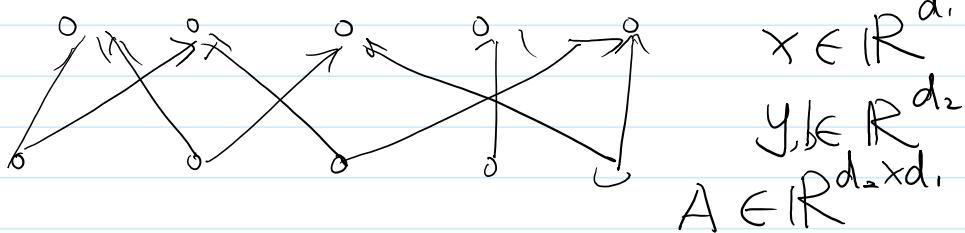
often used: sigmoid  $\sigma(x) = \frac{e^x}{1+e^x}$



rectified linear  $\sigma(x) = \max\{x, 0\}$   
(used in deep learning)

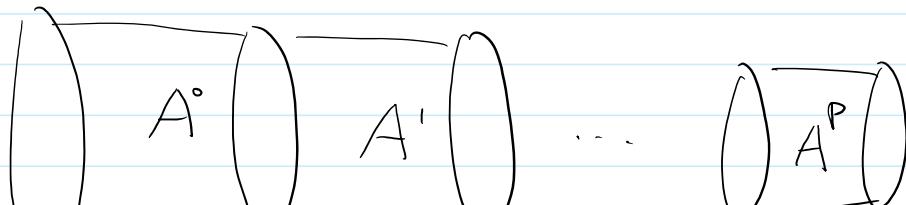


- single (fully connected) layer



$$y = \sigma(Ax + b) \text{ apply } \sigma \text{ entry-wise to } Ax + b.$$

- multi-layer





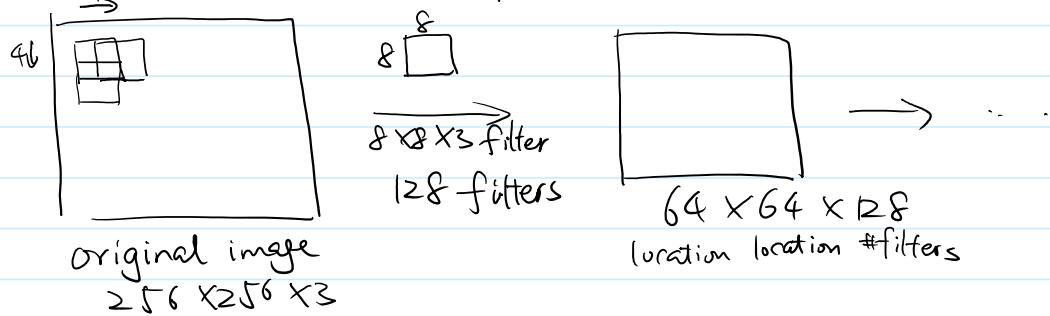
$$x^{i+1} = \sigma(A^i x^i + b^i)$$

$$y = \sigma(A^P x^P + b^P)$$

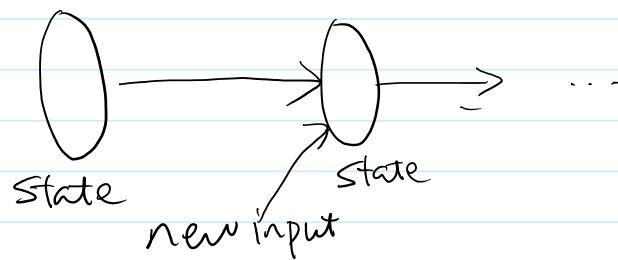
- Deep learning: multilayer neural network + GPU + more.
- structure of network

- convolutional neural network

for images, restrict weights  $A$  to act on a small patch, then perform the convolution



- recurrent neural network



many variants, used to process sequential data (e.g. text) and implement "memory"

- training

- regularization:  $+ \|A\|_F^2$  in objective

(usual objective  $\min \|y - f(x)\|^2$ )

## - back propagation

- stochastic gradient descent
- how to compute gradient?

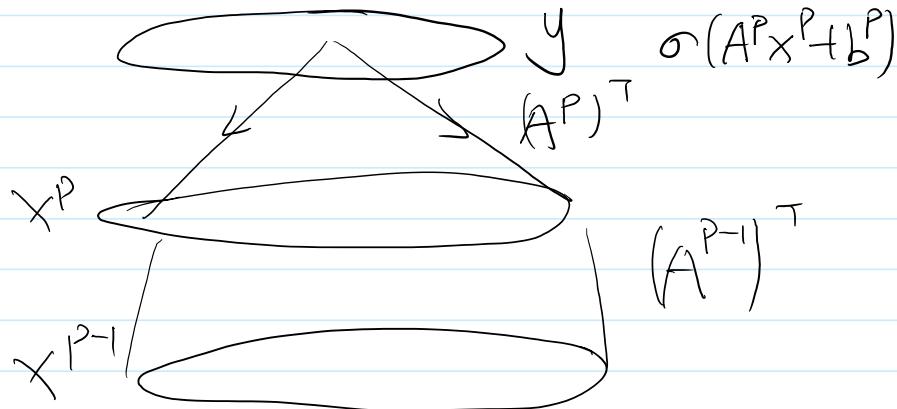
$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x^P} = (A^P)^T f'(A^P x^P + b^P) \quad (\text{recall } f = \|y - (A^P x^P + b^P)\|^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x^{P-1}} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial x^P} \cdot \frac{\partial x^P}{\partial x^{P-1}}$$

$$= (A^{P-1})^T \left( \sigma' (A^{P-1} x^{P-1} + b^{P-1}) \odot (A^P)^T f'(A^P x^P + b^P) \right)$$

○ Hadamard product (entry-wise product)

- interpretation.



- dropout: disable a fraction (say  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of units.

idea: avoid overfitting

some analysis; might be interpreted as an instance specific  $L_2$  regularization.

- tune learning rate

still more art than science



- the neural net conjecture
  - Conjecture: any function we want to learn can be represented as a not too large neural net.
  - empirical results suggest this could be true, theoretically we don't know.
  - many recent advances in deep learning use this idea to replace steps in other learning procedure (e.g. reinforcement)
- what can we hope to do?
  - ① understand the structure of deep net to offer insights in the neural net conjecture.  
Example: attempts to understand image/text  
[Zeiler Fergus] Visualizing and Understanding Convolutional Networks  
understanding word2vec (Arora et al.)
  - ② even if there is a neural network, how do we find it?  
- non-convex optimization, saddle points
  - ③ if we find a network, does it generalize?  
- may need new techniques.
  - ④ supervised vs. unsupervised.  
how much of deep learning is trying to learn a representation, how much is learning a mapping?