

## HOW TO STAY AWAKE IN CLASS

### — a guide —

- **HOT DRINK**  
rating: 4/10
  - **HOT DRINK / COLD DRINK**  
rating: 6/10
- COFFEE IS GREAT AND ALL, BUT IF YOU'RE REALLY TIRED THERE'S NO HOPE OF IT KEEPING YOU UP. ...UNLESS IT'S REALLY SCALDING.
- ALTERNATE BETWEEN COFFEE/TEA AND SOMETHING COLD, LIKE A SLUSHIE. THE TEMPERATURE DIFFERENCE AND NAUSEATING TASTE COMBINATION CONSPIRE TO KEEP YOU CONSCIOUS.
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- The illustration shows two hand-drawn cups. On the left is a hot drink, depicted as a cup of coffee with steam rising from it. On the right is a cold drink, depicted as a slushie cup with a straw. An arrow points from the hot drink towards the cold drink, indicating a transition or comparison between the two.



- HAVE NEIGHBOR PUNCH YOU -  
rating: 4.5/10
- THEY'RE GENERALLY TOO NICE TO ACTUALLY DO IT. YOUR BEST BET IS TO TELL THEM THAT YOU ARE POSSIBLY CONCUSSED AND MIGHT NEVER WAKE UP IF ALLOWED TO SLEEP.



- STAB SELF IN HAND WITH PEN  
rating: 1.5/10  
TYPICALLY ONLY WAKES YOU UP FOR A SECOND,  
ALTHOUGH THIS ONE'S EFFICACY REALLY  
DEPENDS ON YOUR WILLPOWER.



- **HOLD FEET OFF THE GROUND** →  
rating: 2/10  
YOU ALWAYS PUT YOUR FEET DOWN. AND THEN THERE'S NO HOPE.



- EAT → ACTUALLY INCREDIBLY EFFECTIVE. JUST BE SURE NOT TO RUN OUT OF FOOD OR ~~YOUR~~ *your* ~~time~~ *time*

- GET ENOUGH SLEEP THE NIGHT BEFORE ↷  
rating: N/A
- THIS WILL NEVER HAPPEN AS LONG AS THE INTERNET EXISTS

# ECS171: Machine Learning

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## L8 NN Backpropagation

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# Intended learning outcomes

- Explain what happens when weights are adjusted and how the different magnitudes impact the training efficiency and gradient descent
- Work through how we compute the output layer error with the gradient of the Loss Function
- Appreciate reasoning and how to apply termination criteria
- Describe the vanishing gradient problem

# Training Neural Networks: Back-propagation

- The core algorithm for how neural networks learn
- Algorithm for how a single training example would like to nudge the weights and biases

## Training neural nets:

Loop until convergence:

- ▶ for each example  $n$ 
  1. Given input  $\mathbf{x}^{(n)}$ , propagate activity forward ( $\mathbf{x}^{(n)} \rightarrow \mathbf{h}^{(n)} \rightarrow \mathbf{o}^{(n)}$ ) (**forward pass**)
  2. Propagate gradients backward (**backward pass**)
  3. Update each weight (via gradient descent)

X is input, h is hidden layer and o is output

# The benefit of backpropagation

## Definition:

- An algorithm used for **efficiently** computing the gradients of the cost function with respect to each parameter
- It applies the chain rule (calculus) in a structured way moving backwards through the network
- Algorithm shows how a single training example would like to nudge the weights and biases

## Purpose:

- Compute gradients in a computationally efficient manner.
- Without backpropagation, calculating the gradients, especially in large networks, would be extremely computationally expensive.

# Hebbian learning in ML

- **Hebbian theory** is a [neuropsychological](#) theory claiming that an increase in [synaptic](#) efficacy arises from a [presynaptic cell](#)'s repeated and persistent stimulation of a postsynaptic cell (wikipedia)
- “Neurons that fire together wire together”
  - Strengthening of connections happens between neurons that are the most active and connected
- Neural network with at least one hidden layer is a universal approximator (can represent any function)
  - Proof in: Approximation by Superpositions of Sigmoidal Function, Cybenko, [paper](#)
- The capacity of the network increases with more hidden units and more hidden layers



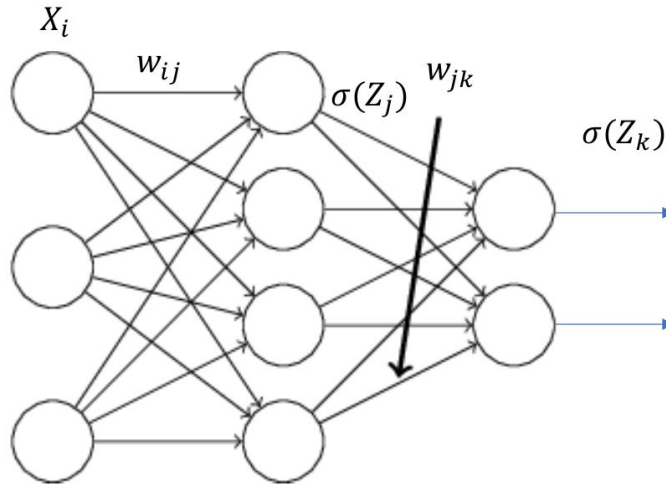
Donald Hebb  
(1904-1985) Can.

# Key Idea behind Backpropagation

- We don't have targets for a hidden unit, but we can compute how fast the error changes as we change its activity
- Instead of using desired activities to train the hidden units, use error derivatives w.r.t. hidden activities
- Each hidden activity can affect many output units and can therefore have many separate effects on the error
  - These effects must be combined
- We can compute error derivatives for all the hidden units efficiently
- Once we have the error derivatives for the hidden activities, it's easy to get the error derivatives for the weights going into a hidden unit: This is just the chain rule!

# Neural Network

Sigmoid ( $x$ ) :  $\sigma(x) = 1 / (1 + e^{-x})$



$i$ : related to input layer

$j$ : related to hidden layer

$k$ : related to output layer

$K$ : number of neurons in the output layer

$b_j$ : biases in the hidden layer.

$b_k$ : biases in the output layer.

$X_i$ : input information in the input layer.

$W_{ij}$ : weights connecting input to hidden layer.

$W_{jk}$ : weights connecting hidden layer to output layer.

$$Z_j = W_{ij}X_i + b_j = \sum_i w_{ij}x_i + b_j$$

$$Z_k = W_{jk} \sigma(Z_j) + b_k$$

$$\hat{y}_k = \sigma(Z_k)$$

$$\text{predicted output: } \hat{y}_k = \sigma(W_{jk} \sigma(W_{ij}X_i + b_j) + b_k)$$

actual output :  $y$



# Neural network error function $E(w)$

$N$  = number of samples

$$E(w) = \sum_{n=1}^N E_n(w)$$

$E_n$ : Error evaluation for the  $n^{th}$  observation

$$E_n = \frac{1}{2} \sum_k (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n)^2$$

$k$ : number of output nodes

Sum of Squared Errors for all dataset observations

$$E(w) = \sum_{\text{records}} \sum_{\text{output nodes}} (\text{predicted} - \text{actual})^2$$

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# Compute the output layer error with the gradient of the Loss Function

The output layer error:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial E_n(w)}{\partial W_{jk}} &= \frac{\partial (\frac{1}{2} \sum_k (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n)^2)}{\partial W_{jk}} \\ &= (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_{nk}) \frac{\partial (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n)}{\partial W_{jk}} = (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n) \frac{\partial (\hat{y}_{nk})}{\partial W_{jk}}\end{aligned}$$

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We know that the predicted outcome for data point n in our output layer k is:

$$\hat{y}_{nk} = \sigma(W_{jk} \sigma(W_{ij} X_i + b_j) + b_k) \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{y}_{nk} = \sigma(Z_k)$$

We write  $X_j = \sigma(W_{ij} X_i + b_j)$  and for convenience:  $X_j = \sigma(Z_j)$

Using the chain rule: 
$$\frac{\partial E_n(w)}{\partial W_{jk}} = (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n) \frac{\partial (\hat{y}_{nk})}{\partial W_{jk}} = (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n) \frac{\partial (\hat{y}_{nk})}{\partial Z_k} \frac{\partial Z_k}{\partial W_{jk}}$$

Next ->

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The derivative of sigmoid function  $\sigma(x) : \frac{\partial \sigma(x)}{\partial x} = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$

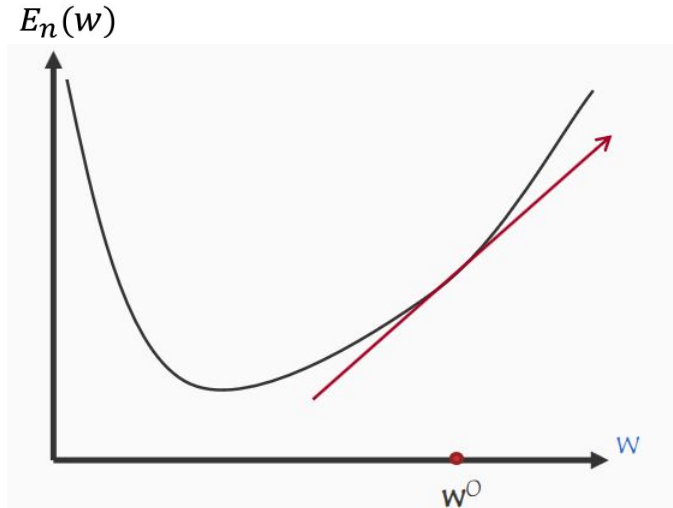
Where Sigmoid(x):  $\sigma(x) = 1/(1 + e^{-x})$

Thus: 
$$\frac{\partial E_n(w)}{\partial W_{jk}} = (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n) \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))X_j$$

# Backpropagation: Output to hidden layer

Using the gradient descent update rule:  $\mathbf{w}_{new} \leftarrow \mathbf{w}_{current} + \Delta \mathbf{w}$

The  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  is now given by:  $\frac{\partial E_n(w)}{\partial w_{jk}} = (\hat{y}_{nk} - y_n) \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))X_j$



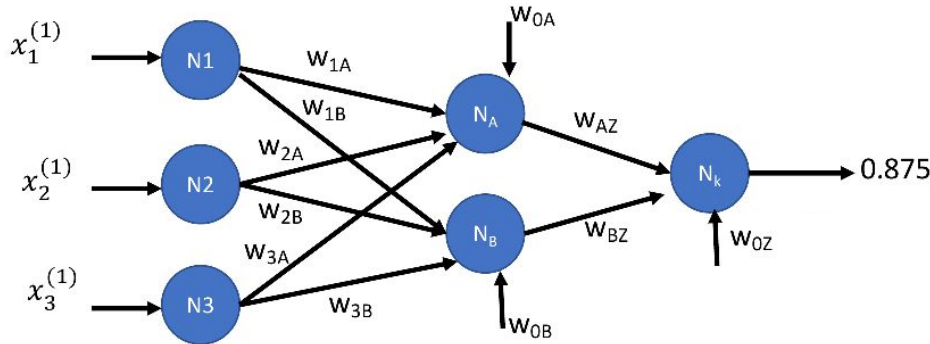
As such, varying the  $\mathbf{w}_{current}$  value gets closer to the optimal weight

# Useful derivatives for different activation functions

name	function	derivative
Sigmoid	$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1+\exp(-z)}$	$\sigma(z) \cdot (1 - \sigma(z))$
Tanh	$\tanh(z) = \frac{\exp(z) - \exp(-z)}{\exp(z) + \exp(-z)}$	$1 / \cosh^2(z)$
ReLU	$\text{ReLU}(z) = \max(0, z)$	$\begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } z > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } z \leq 0 \end{cases}$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{AZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
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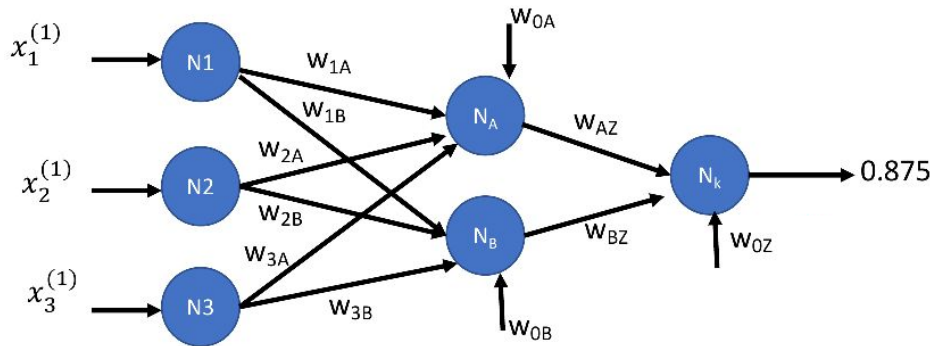
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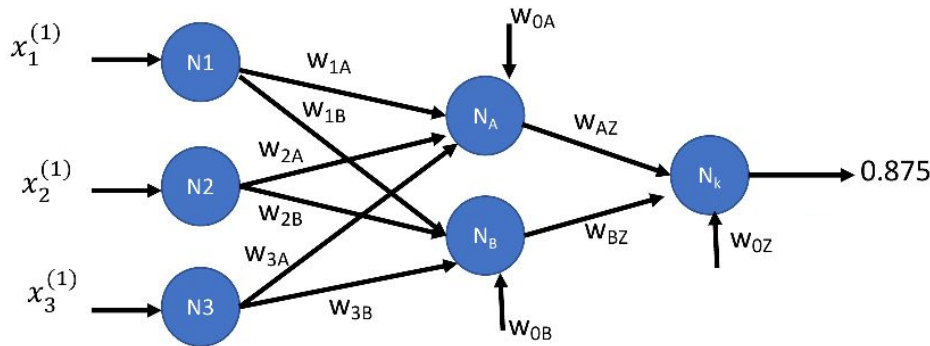
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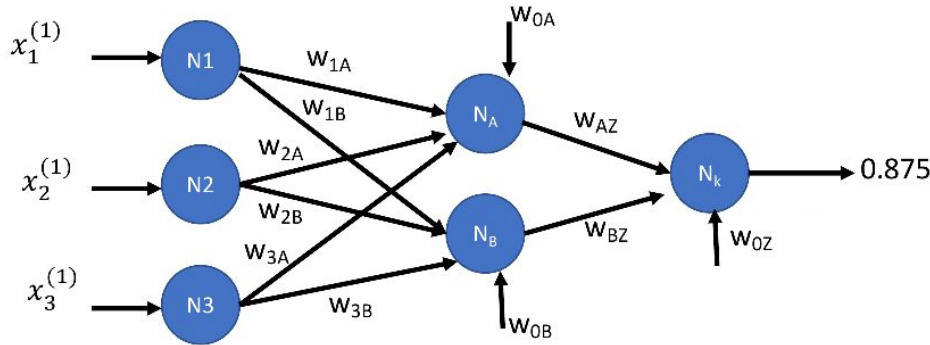
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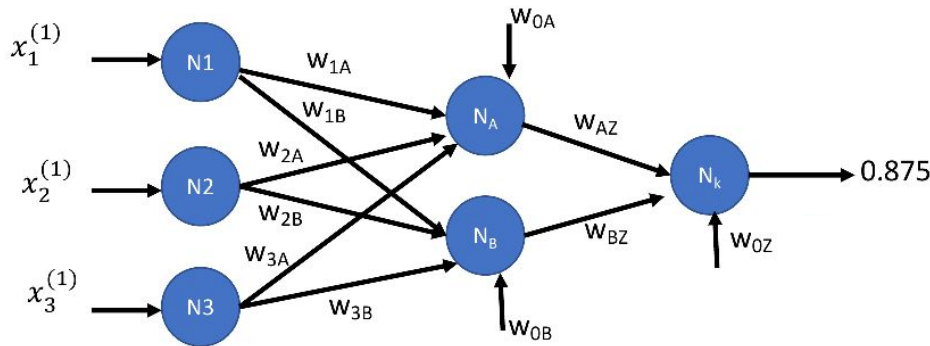
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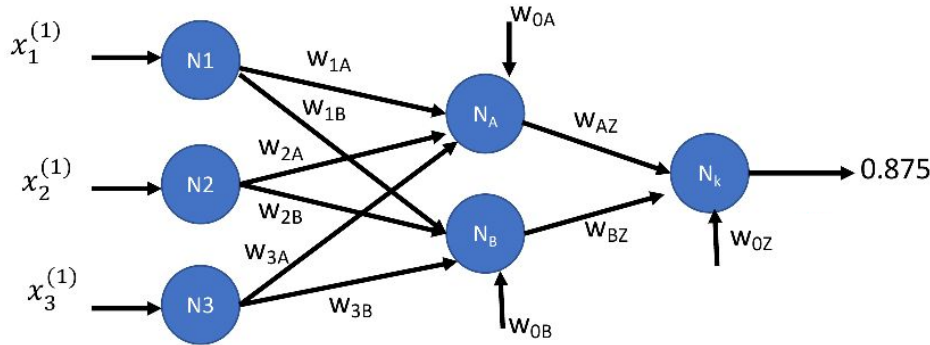
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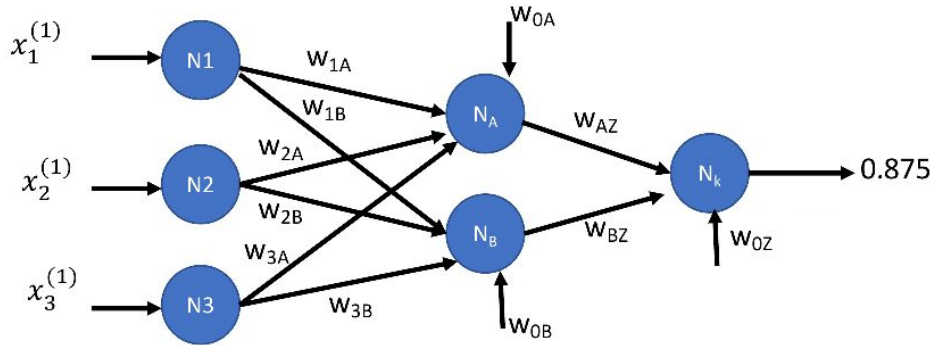
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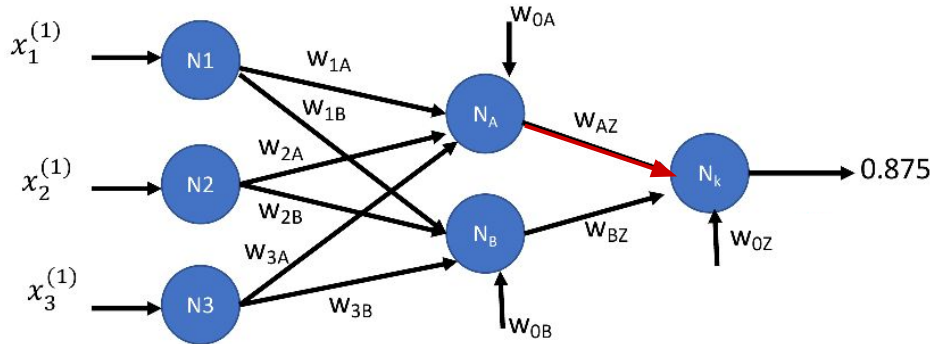
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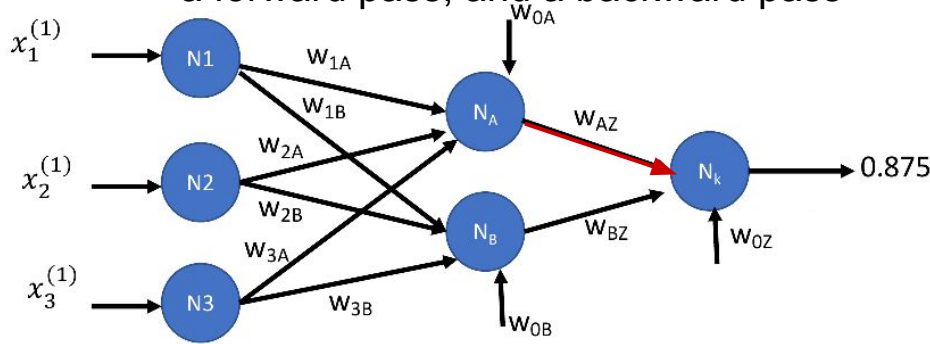
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$$Z_{N_B} = w_{0B} + w_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

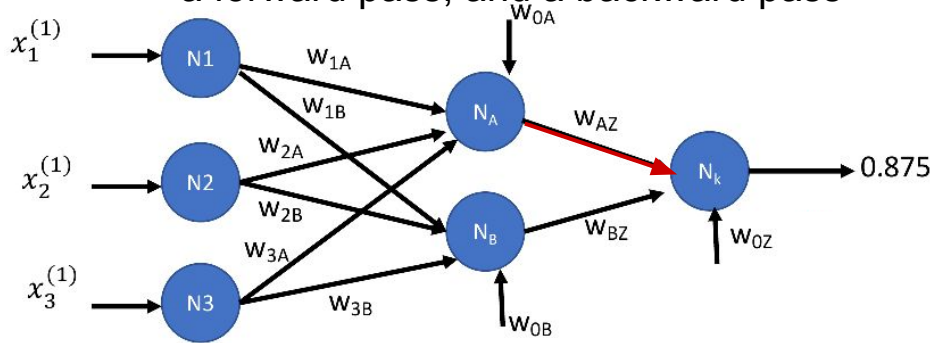
$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.9$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$



# Backward pass: Updating $W_{BZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.9$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

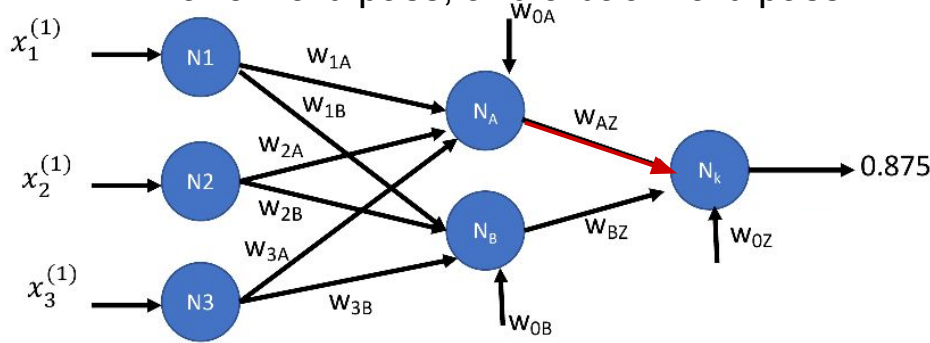
$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = \omega_{0A} + \omega_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = \omega_{0B} + \omega_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= \omega_{0Z} + \omega_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + \omega_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{BZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
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$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.9$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = w_{0A} + w_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = w_{0B} + w_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

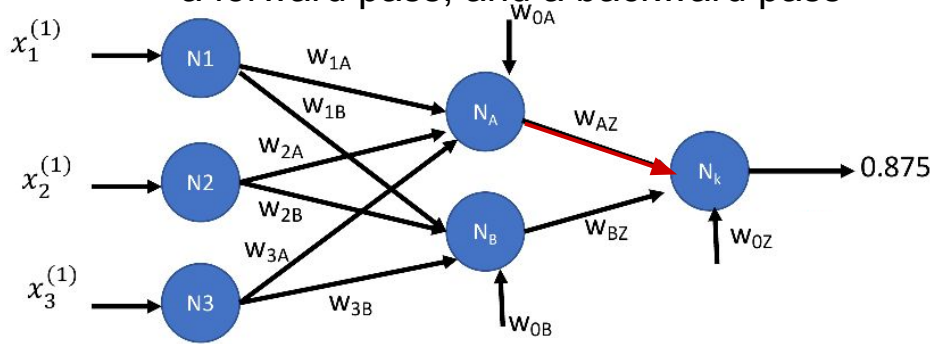
$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= w_{0Z} + w_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + w_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$



# Backward pass: Updating $W_{BZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

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$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.9$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = w_{0A} + w_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

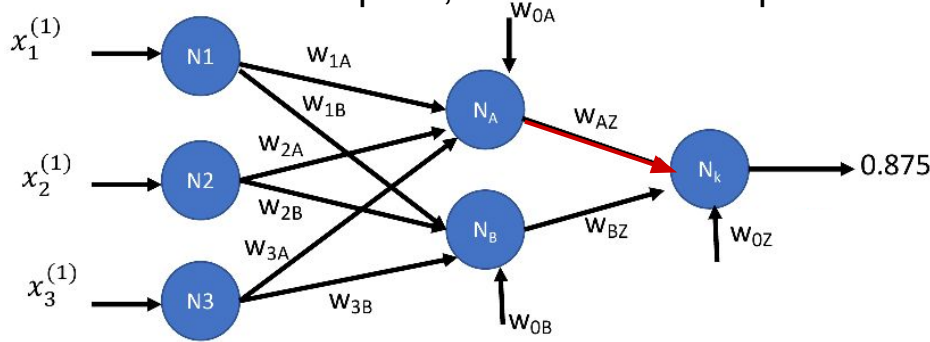
$$Z_{N_B} = w_{0B} + w_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= w_{0Z} + w_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + w_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{current} &= (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))\sigma(Z_j) \\ &= \text{residual error} * \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))\sigma(Z_{N_B}) \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{BZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

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$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.9$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = \omega_{0A} + \omega_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = \omega_{0B} + \omega_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= \omega_{0Z} + \omega_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + \omega_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{current} &= (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))\sigma(Z_j) \\ &= \text{residual error} * \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))\sigma(Z_{N_B}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_{BZ-new} &= w_{BZ} + \eta \Delta w_{current} \\ &= 0.9 + (0.1 \times 0.0069) = 0.90069 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{BZ}$

learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

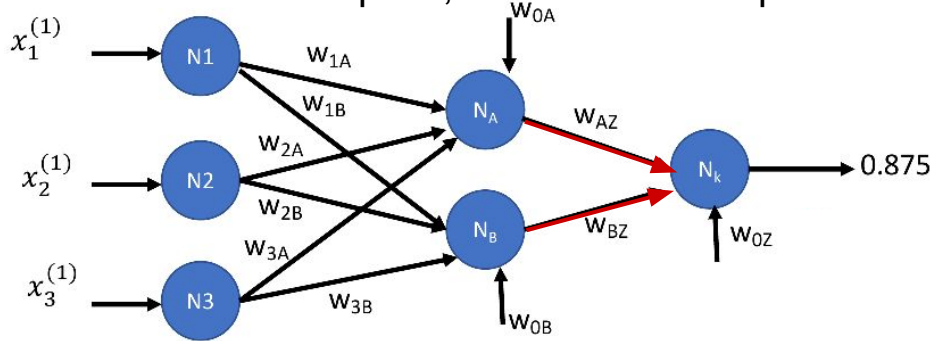
Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

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- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



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$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.90069$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
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$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = w_{0A} + w_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

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$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= w_{0Z} + w_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + w_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

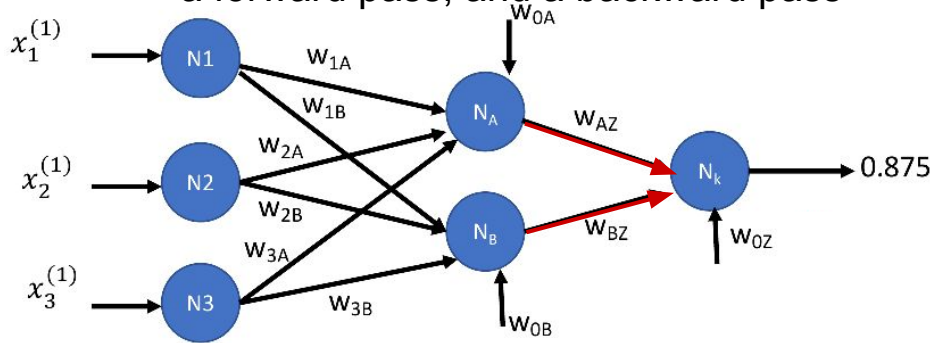
$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{current} &= (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k) (1 - \sigma(Z_k)) \sigma(Z_j) \\ &= \text{residual error} * \sigma(Z_k) (1 - \sigma(Z_k)) \sigma(Z_{N_B}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_{BZ-new} &= w_{BZ} + \eta \Delta w_{current} \\ &= 0.9 + (0.1 \times 0.0069) = 0.90069 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{OZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

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$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
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$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{OZ}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.90069$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
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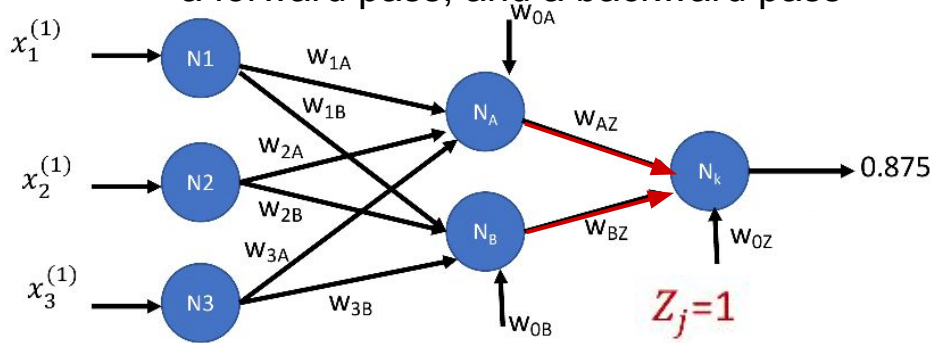
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$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= w_{OZ} + w_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + w_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{OZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
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$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
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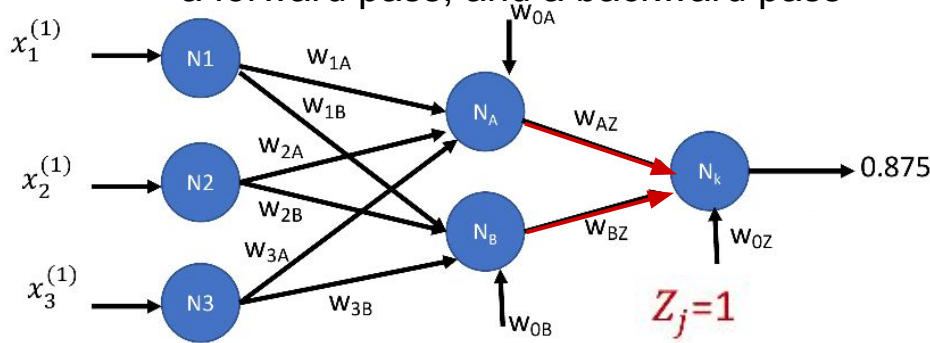
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$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= w_{0Z} + w_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + w_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{OZ}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = \omega_{0A} + \omega_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = \omega_{0B} + \omega_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= \omega_{0Z} + \omega_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + \omega_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

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$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.90069$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y=0.8 \rightarrow$   
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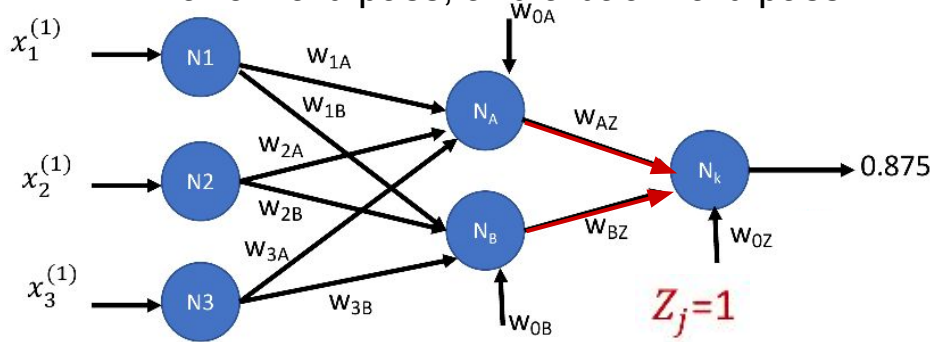
$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{current} &= (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k)(1 - \sigma(Z_k))\sigma(Z_j) \\ &= 0.075 * 0.87 * 0.13 * 1 = 0.008 \end{aligned}$$



# Backward pass: Updating $W_{0Z}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = \omega_{0A} + \omega_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = \omega_{0B} + \omega_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_k &= \omega_{0Z} + \omega_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + \omega_{BZ} \sigma(1.5) \\ &= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461 \end{aligned}$$

learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=0.5$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=0.90067$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=0.90069$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

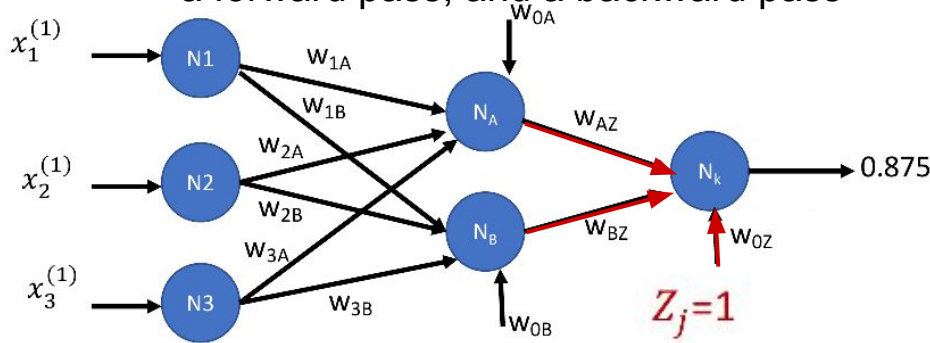
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$$\begin{aligned} \Delta w_{current} &= (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k) (1 - \sigma(Z_k)) \sigma(Z_j) \\ &= 0.075 * 0.87 * 0.13 * 1 = 0.008 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_{0Z-new} &= w_{0Z} + \eta \Delta w_{current} \\ &= 0.9 + (0.1 \times 0.0069) = 0.90069 \end{aligned}$$

# Backward pass: Updating $W_{0Z}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



$$Z_j = Z_{N_A} = \omega_{0A} + \omega_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$$Z_{N_B} = \omega_{0B} + \omega_{1B}x_1^{(1)} + \omega_{2B}x_2^{(1)} + \omega_{3B}x_3^{(1)} = 1.5$$

$$Z_k = \omega_{0Z} + \omega_{AZ} \sigma(1.32) + \omega_{BZ} \sigma(1.5)$$

$$= 0.5 + 0.9(0.7892) + 0.9(0.8176) = 1.9461$$

learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=\mathbf{0.5008}$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=\mathbf{0.90067}$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=\mathbf{0.90069}$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

$$w_{new} = w_{current} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$\Delta w_{current} = (\hat{y}_k - y) \sigma(Z_k) (1 - \sigma(Z_k)) \sigma(Z_j)$$

$$= 0.075 * 0.87 * 0.13 * 1 = 0.008$$

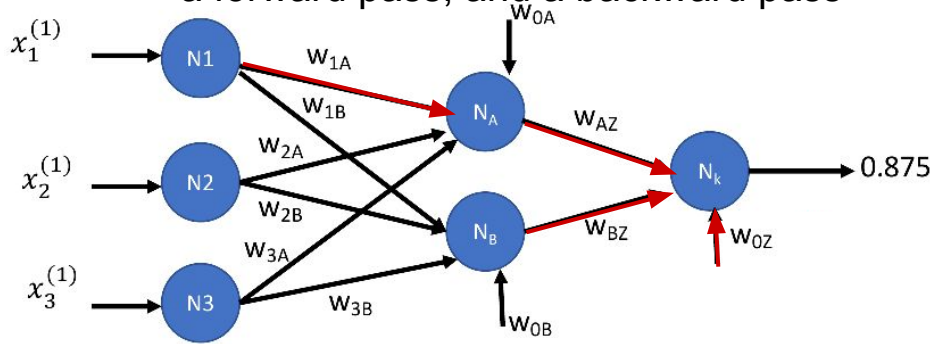
$$w_{0Z-new} = w_{0Z} + \eta \Delta w_{current}$$

$$= 0.5 + (0.1 \times 0.008) = 0.5008$$



# Backward pass: Updating $W_{1A}$

- Feed forward neural network learning in two phases:
  - a forward pass, and a backward pass



learning rate ;  $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

Assume :  $\eta = 0.1$

$X_i: N_1, N_2, N_3$

$\sigma(Z_j): N_A, N_B$

$\sigma(Z_k): N_z$

$x_1=N_1=0.4$	$N_A=0.7892$
$x_2=N_2=0.2$	$N_B=0.8176$
$x_3=N_3=0.7$	$N_z=0.875$

$w_{0A}=0.5$	$w_{0B}=0.7$	$w_{0Z}=\mathbf{0.5008}$
$w_{1A}=0.6$	$w_{1B}=0.9$	$w_{AZ}=\mathbf{0.90067}$
$w_{2A}=0.8$	$w_{2B}=0.8$	$w_{BZ}=\mathbf{0.90069}$
$w_{3A}=0.6$	$w_{3B}=0.4$	

Assume actual  $y = 0.8 \rightarrow$   
residual error =  $0.875 - 0.8 = 0.075$

$$Z_{N_A} = w_{0A} + w_{1A}x_1^{(1)} + w_{2A}x_2^{(1)} + w_{3A}x_3^{(1)} = 1.32$$

$\Delta w_{hidden}$

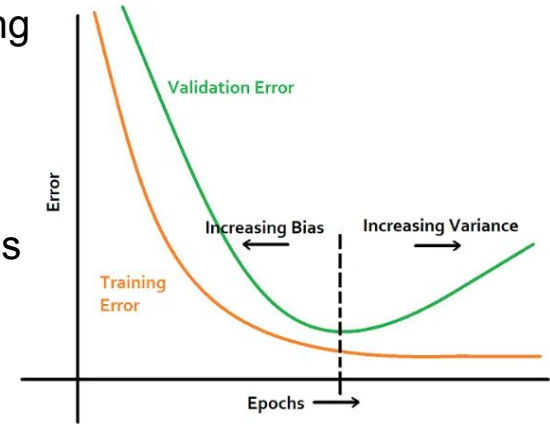
= residual error \* error of the hidden layer \* weighted error of the output layer

$$\Delta w_{hidden} = (\hat{y} - y) * \frac{\partial \sigma(Z_j)}{\partial W_{ij}} * W_{jk} \frac{\partial \sigma(Z_k)}{\partial W_{jk}}$$

Epoch: number of times the learning algorithm works through the training data  
Batch: Epochs have one or more batches

# Termination Criteria: When to stop training

- Criteria for terminating the training process can be dictated by:
  - Time: Risk degradation in model performance
  - Threshold of prediction error/minimum accuracy with training data: Risk overfitting
- Cross-validation procedure to determine when to stop training
  - Save a portion of the data not used for training and testing
  - For example: with k-fold cross-validation, the training data is divided into k subsets (or "folds")
  - The model is trained on k-1 folds and validated on the remaining fold. This process is repeated k times, each time with a different fold used for validation. The model's performance is then averaged over these k iterations.



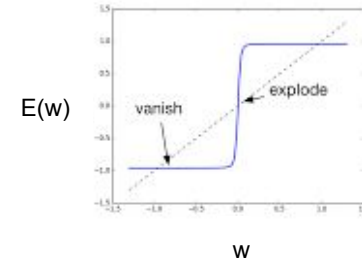
Regardless of the termination criteria used, the NN is not guaranteed to arrive at the global minimum for the SSE as it may become stuck in a local minimum which still represents a good , if not optimal solution

# Wrapping up

- Once all the weights are updated, we complete one round of backpropagation
  - One forward pass followed by a backward pass are counted as one full pass
- With the updated weights, we then obtain the predicted output for the next data point, in another forward pass and compute the prediction error
- We repeat this until termination/stop criteria is reached which is termed that the model has converged

# Vanishing Gradient Problem

- Vanishing Gradient Problem can occur during the training of NN when the gradient of the loss function wrt the weights in the lower layers of the network become very small
- Small gradient do not contribute much to the weight updates during training. As a result, it can slow or even halt learning those layers as the weights are not being updated effectively
- The problem is a result of the multiplicative effect of small derivatives of activation functions in deep networks



# Examples of Activation Functions and Their Impact

- **Sigmoid Function:** It squashes its input to a range between 0 and 1. Its derivative is maximal at 0.25 and decreases toward 0 as the input moves away from 0. In deep networks, multiplying these small values can quickly lead to vanishing gradients.
- **Tanh Function:** Similar to sigmoid, but squashes input to a range between -1 and 1. It suffers from the same problem as sigmoid for high absolute values of input.
- **ReLU (Rectified Linear Unit):** Introduced as a solution to the vanishing gradient problem. It does not saturate in the positive input range and has a derivative of either 0 (for negative inputs) or 1 (for positive inputs). However, ReLU can lead to another issue called the "dying ReLU problem," where neurons only output negative values and thus have a derivative of zero, effectively "dying."

