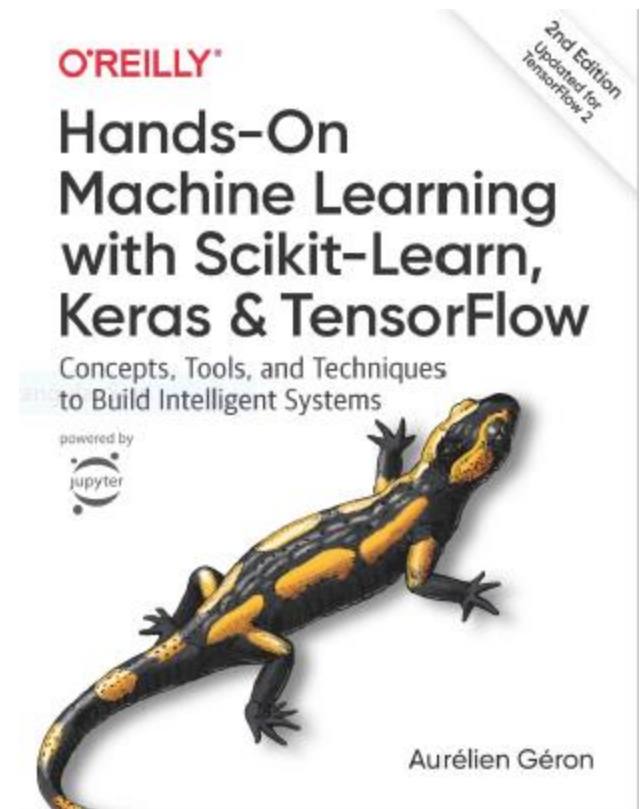


# Neural Networks

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# Introduction

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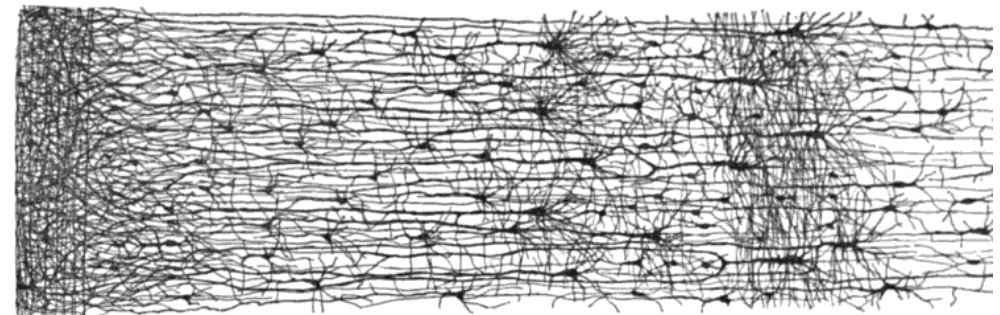
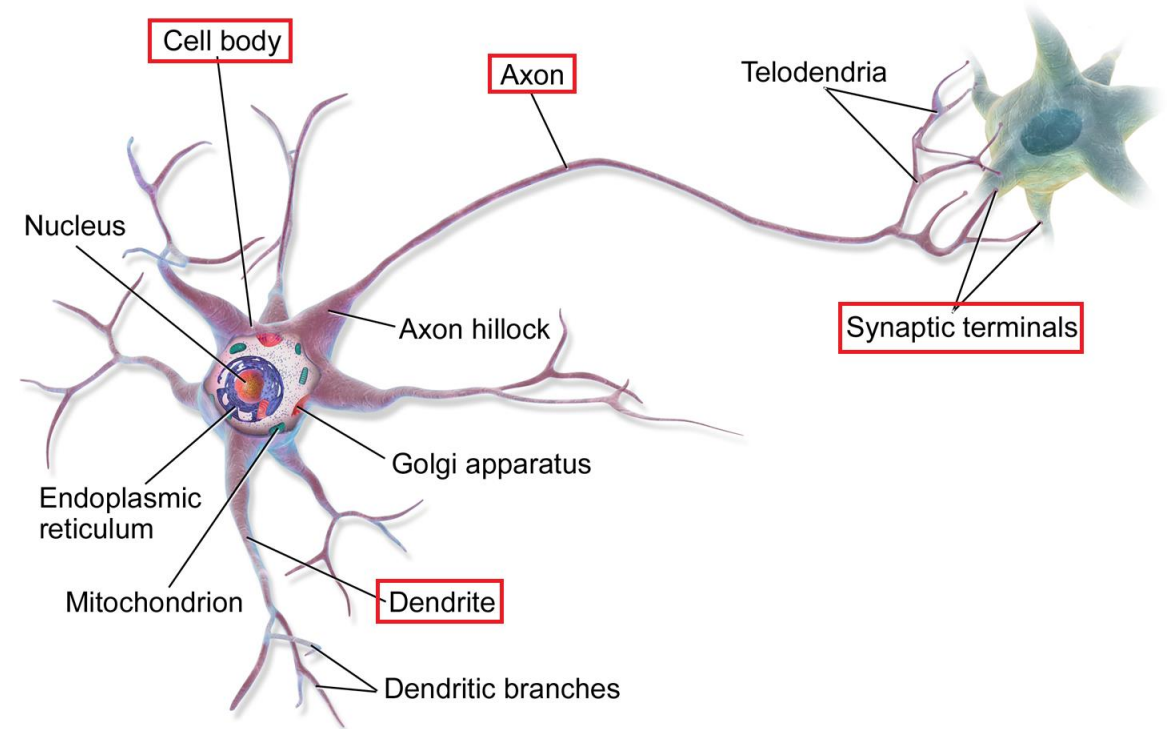
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# 1. Introduction

- **Artificial neural networks** (ANNs) are inspired by the brain's architecture.
- First suggested in 1943. Is now **flourishing** due to the availability of:
  - Data
  - Computing power
  - Better algorithms



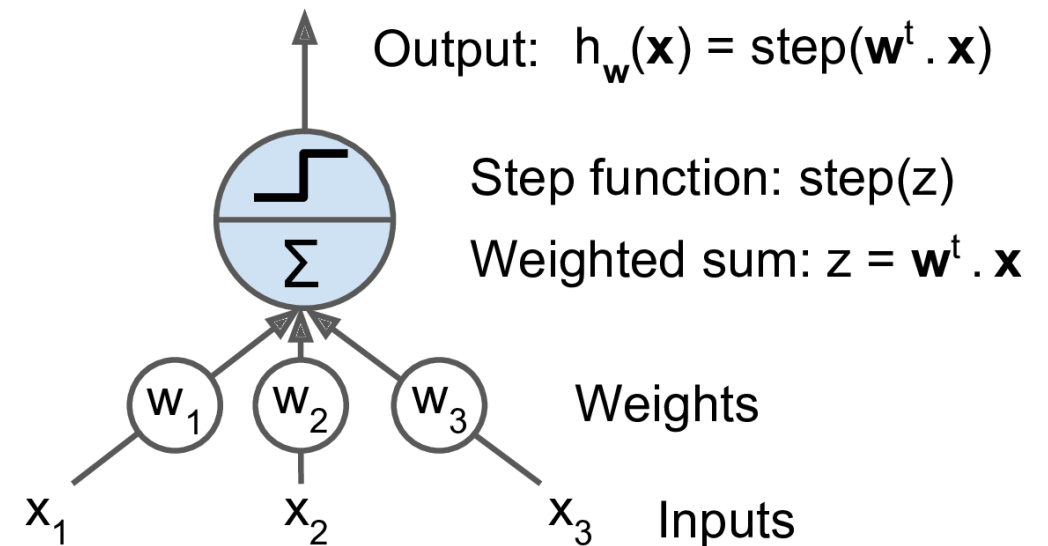
## 2. The Perceptron

- The **Perceptron** is a simple ANN, invented in 1957 and can perform linear binary classification or regression.

- Common **step function**:

$$\text{heaviside}(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } z \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{sgn}(z) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } z < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } z = 0 \\ +1 & \text{if } z > 0 \end{cases}$$

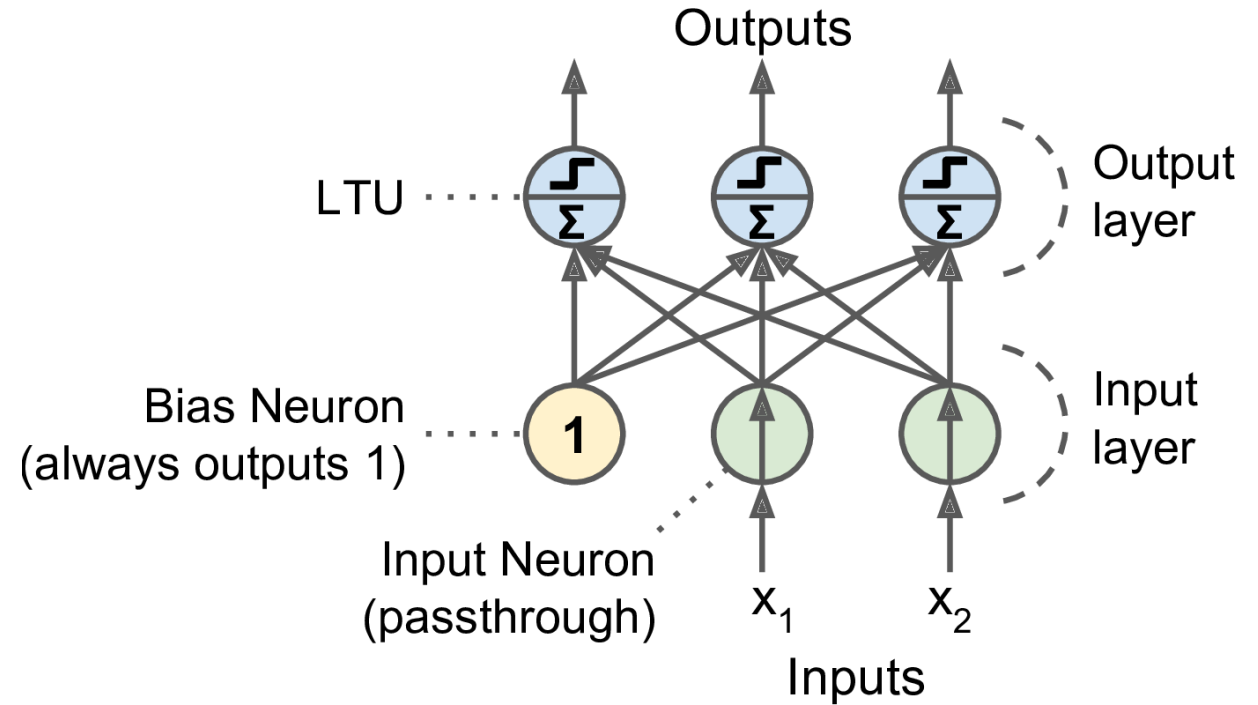
### Linear threshold unit (LTU)



## 2. The Perceptron

- The Perceptron has an **input layer** with **bias** and **output layer**.
- With **multiple output nodes**, it can perform multiclass classification.
- Hebbian learning “**Cells that fire together, wire together.**”

$$w_{i,j}^{(\text{next step})} = w_{i,j} + \eta(y_j - \hat{y}_j)x_i$$



## 2. The Perceptron

- Scikit-Learn provides a **Perceptron** class.

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import numpy as np
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.linear_model import Perceptron

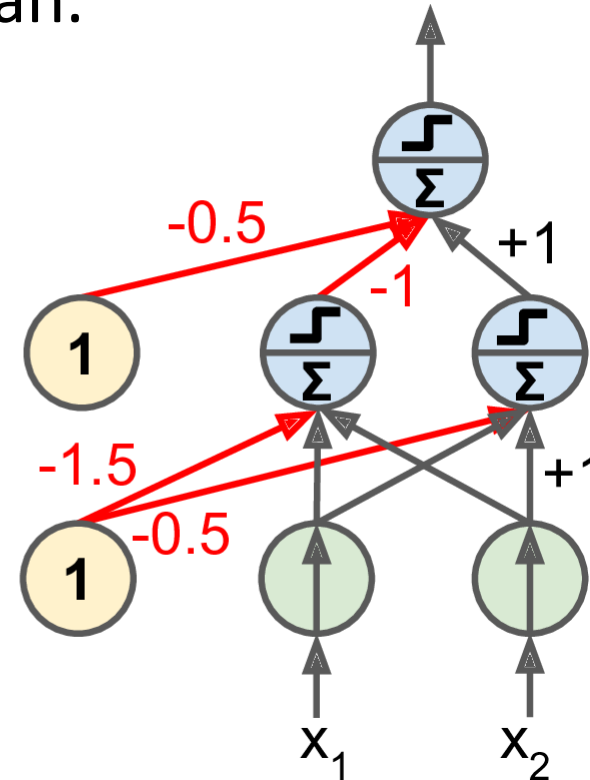
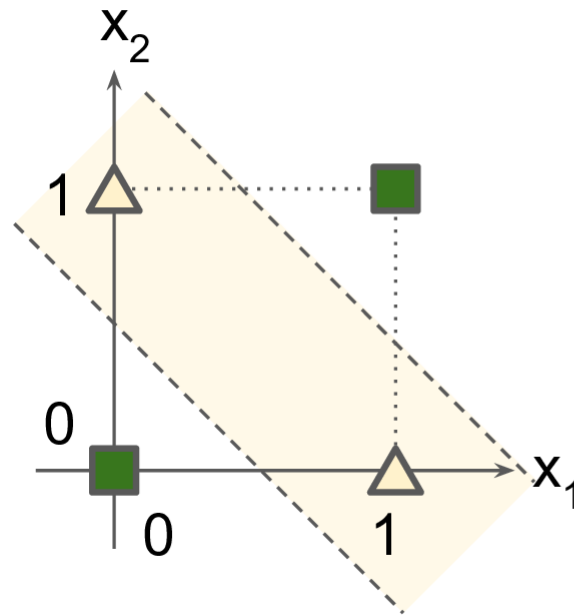
iris = load_iris()
X = iris.data[:, (2, 3)] # petal length, petal width
y = (iris.target == 0).astype(np.int) # Iris Setosa?
per_clf = Perceptron(random_state=42)
per_clf.fit(X, y)

y_pred = per_clf.predict([[2, 0.5]])
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## 2. The Perceptron

- The perceptron **cannot solve non-linear problems** such as the XOR problem.
- The **Multi-Layer Perceptron** (MLP) can.

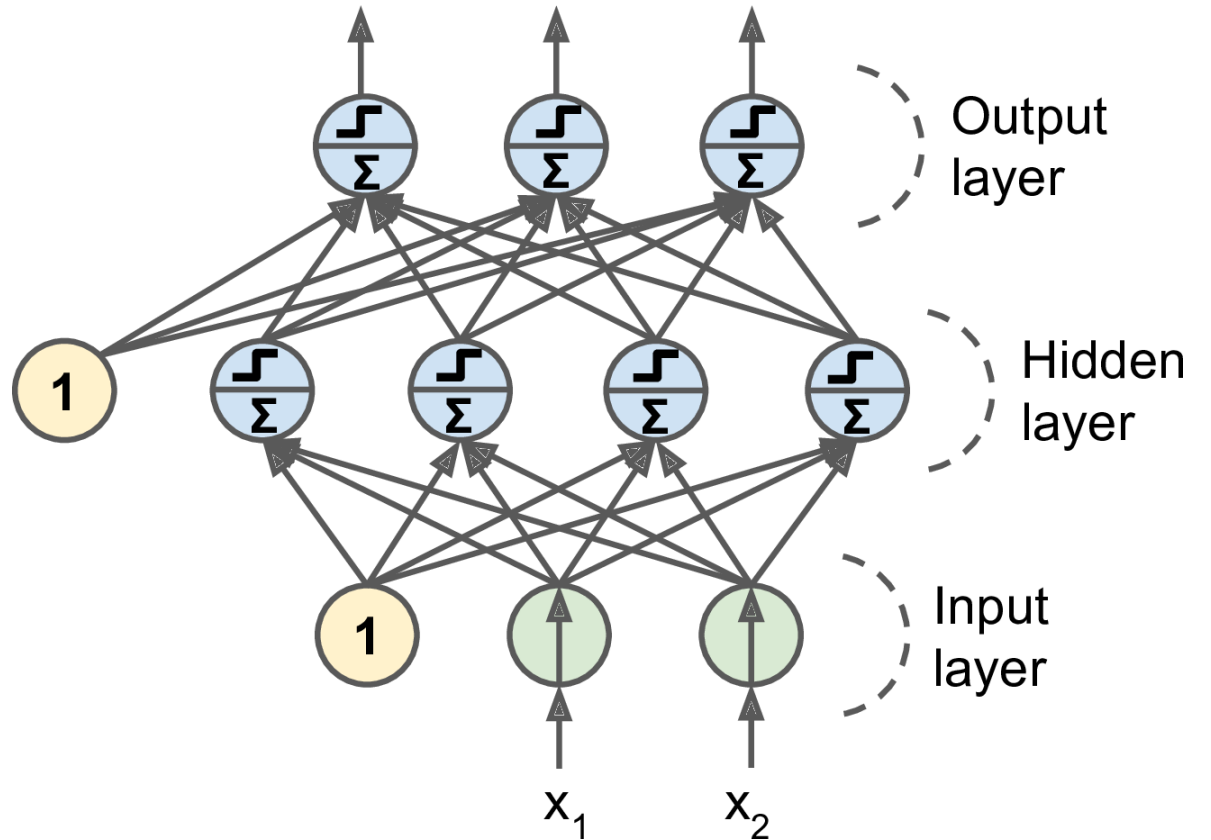


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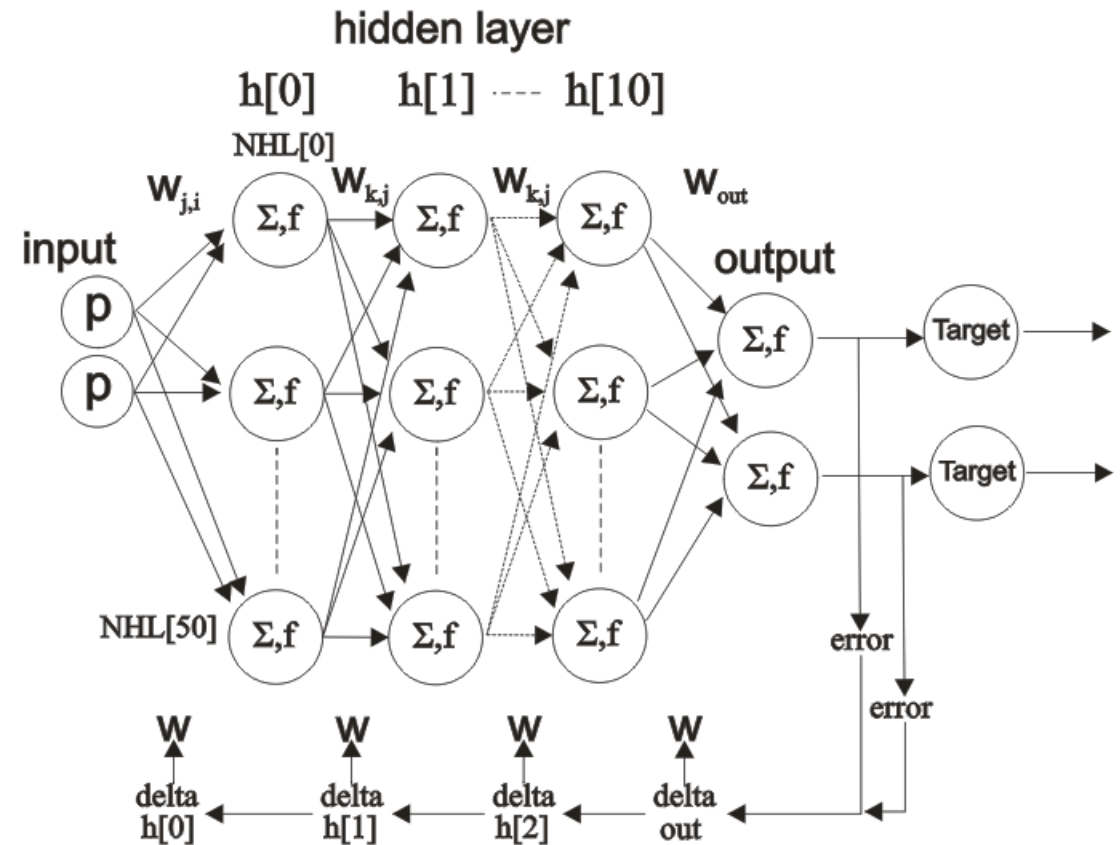
# 3. Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)

- An MLP is composed of a (pass-through) **input layer**, one or more layers of LTUs, called **hidden layers**, and a final layer of LTUs called the **output layer**.
- When an ANN has **two or more** hidden layers, it is called a **deep neural network (DNN)**.



# 3. Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)

- Trained using the **backpropagation training algorithm**.
  - For each training instance the algorithm first makes a prediction (**forward pass**), measures the error,
  - then goes through each layer in reverse to measure the error contribution from each connection (**reverse pass**),
  - and finally slightly tweaks the connection weights to reduce the error (**Gradient Descent step**).



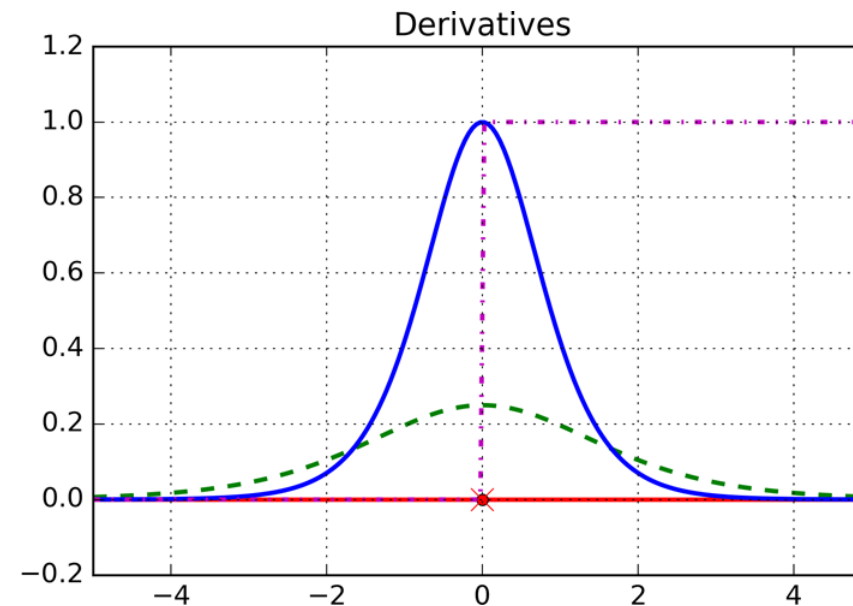
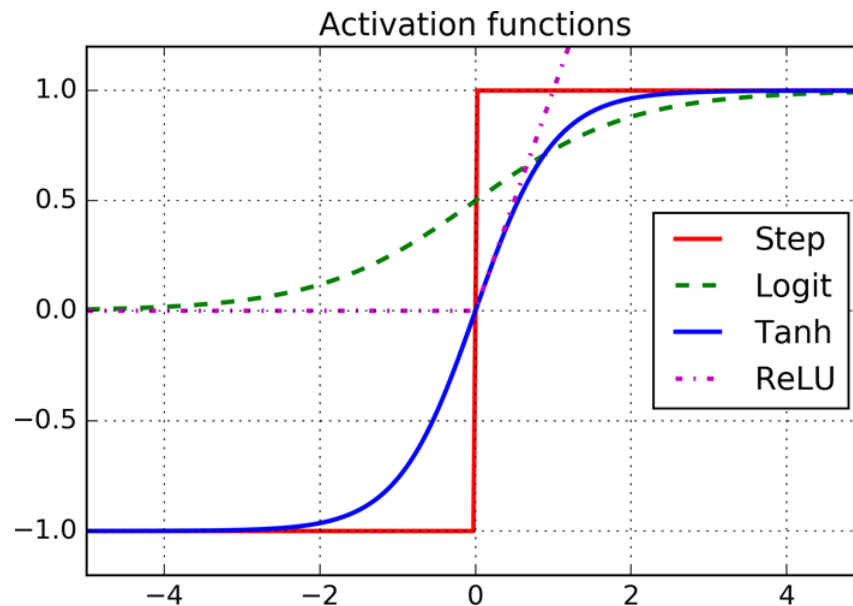
# 3. Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)

- **Common activation functions: logistic, hyperbolic tangent, and rectified linear unit.**

$$\sigma(z) = 1 / (1 + \exp(-z))$$

$$\tanh(z) = 2\sigma(2z) - 1$$

$$\text{ReLU}(z) = \max(0, z)$$



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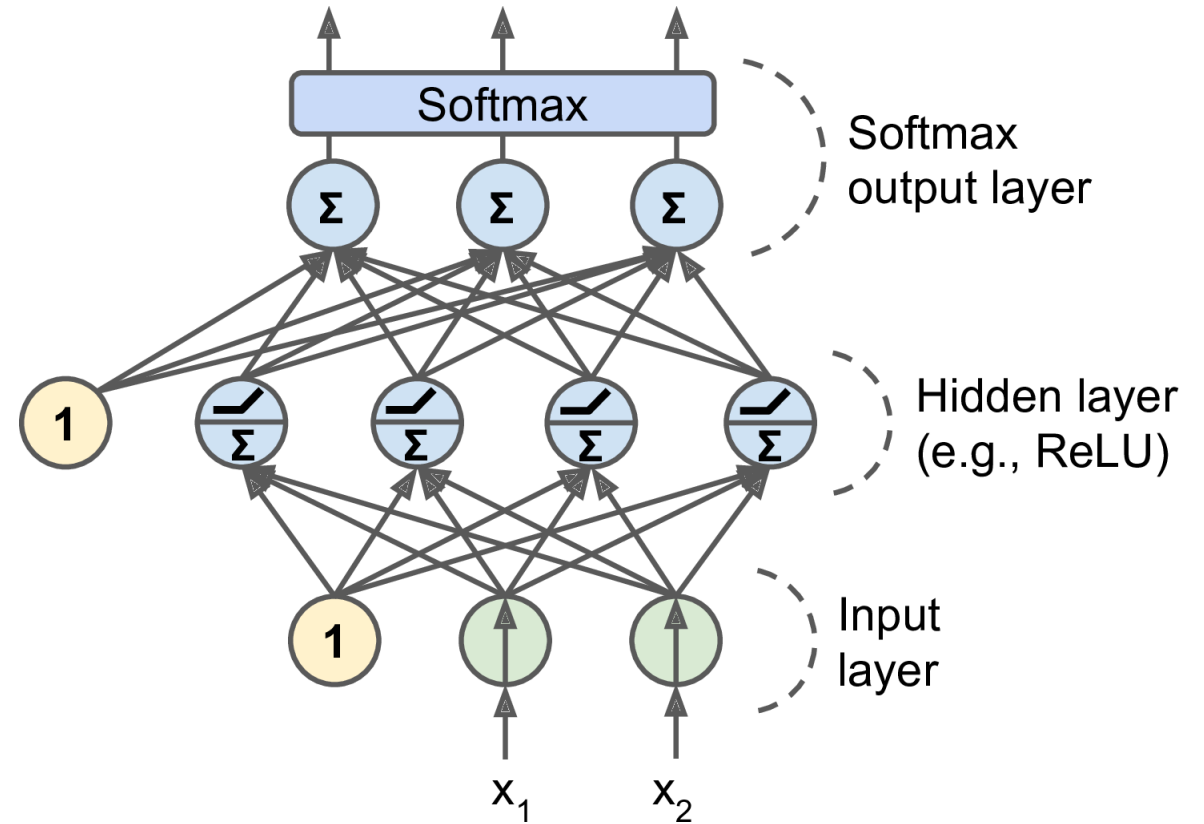
# 4. Regression MLPs

- Typical MLP architecture for **regression**:

Hyperparameter	Typical Value
# input neurons	One per input feature (e.g., $28 \times 28 = 784$ for MNIST)
# hidden layers	Depends on the problem. Typically 1 to 5.
# neurons per hidden layer	Depends on the problem. Typically 10 to 100.
# output neurons	1 per prediction dimension
Hidden activation	ReLU (or SELU, see <a href="#">Chapter 11</a> )
Output activation	None or ReLU/Softplus (if positive outputs) or Logistic/Tanh (if bounded outputs)
Loss function	MSE or MAE/Huber (if outliers)

# 5. Classification MLPs

- For **classification**, the output layer uses the **softmax function**.
- The output of each neuron corresponds to the **estimated probability** of the corresponding class.



$$\hat{p}_k = \sigma(\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x}))_k = \frac{\exp(s_k(\mathbf{x}))}{\sum_{j=1}^K \exp(s_j(\mathbf{x}))}$$

$$\hat{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_k \sigma(\mathbf{s}(\mathbf{x}))_k$$



# 5. Classification MLPs

- Typical MLP architecture for **classification**:

Hyperparameter	Binary classification	Multilabel binary classification	Multiclass classification
Input and hidden layers	Same as regression	Same as regression	Same as regression
# output neurons	1	1 per label	1 per class
Output layer activation	Logistic	Logistic	Softmax
Loss function	Cross-Entropy	Cross-Entropy	Cross-Entropy

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