

# Back Propagation

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# Outline

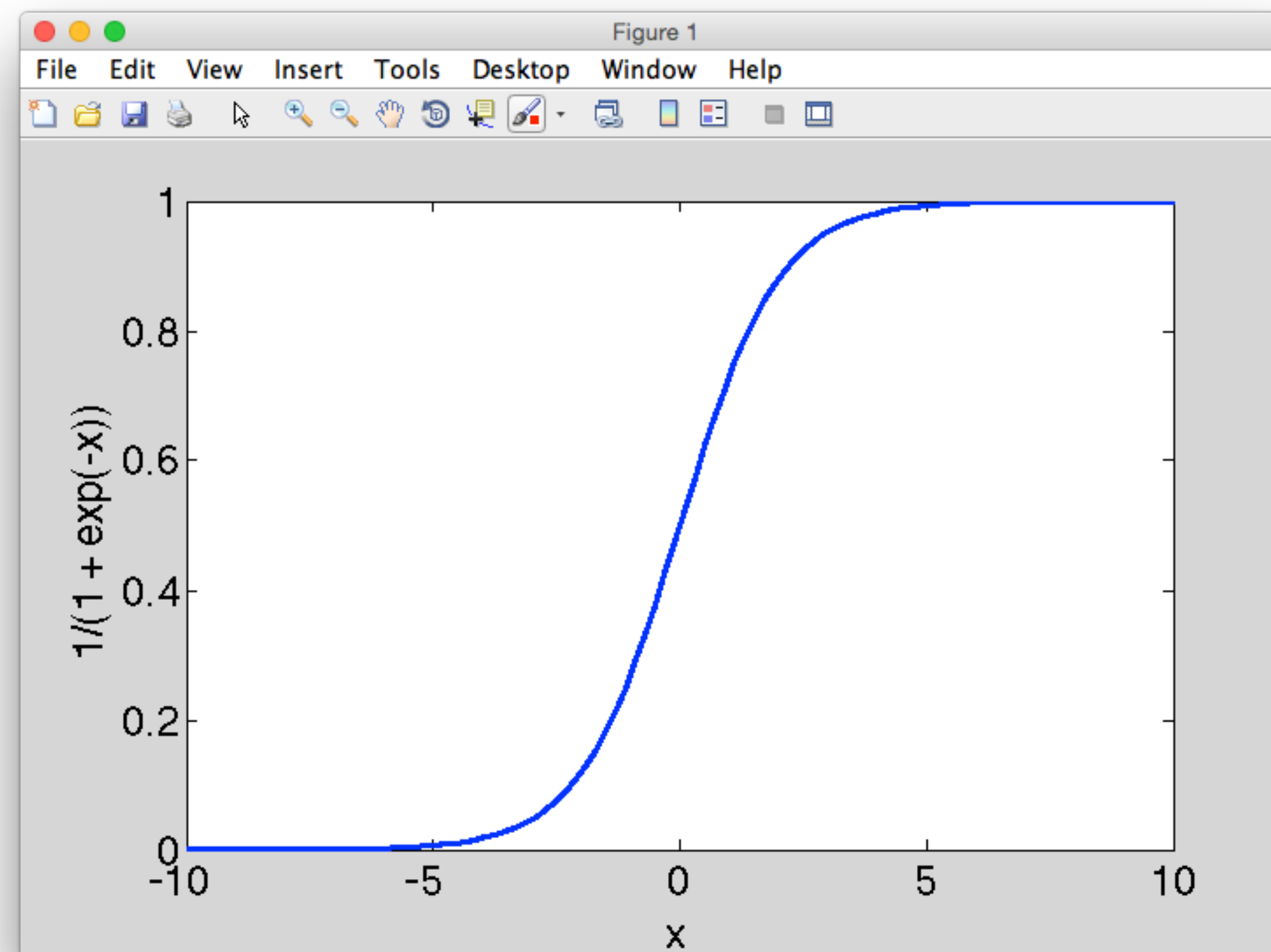
- Logistic regression and perceptron as neural networks
- Likelihood gradient for 2-layered neural network
- General recipe for back propagation

# Back Propagation

- Back propagation:
  - Compute hidden unit activations: **forward propagation**
  - Compute gradient at output layer: error
  - Propagate error back one layer at a time
- Chain rule via dynamic programming

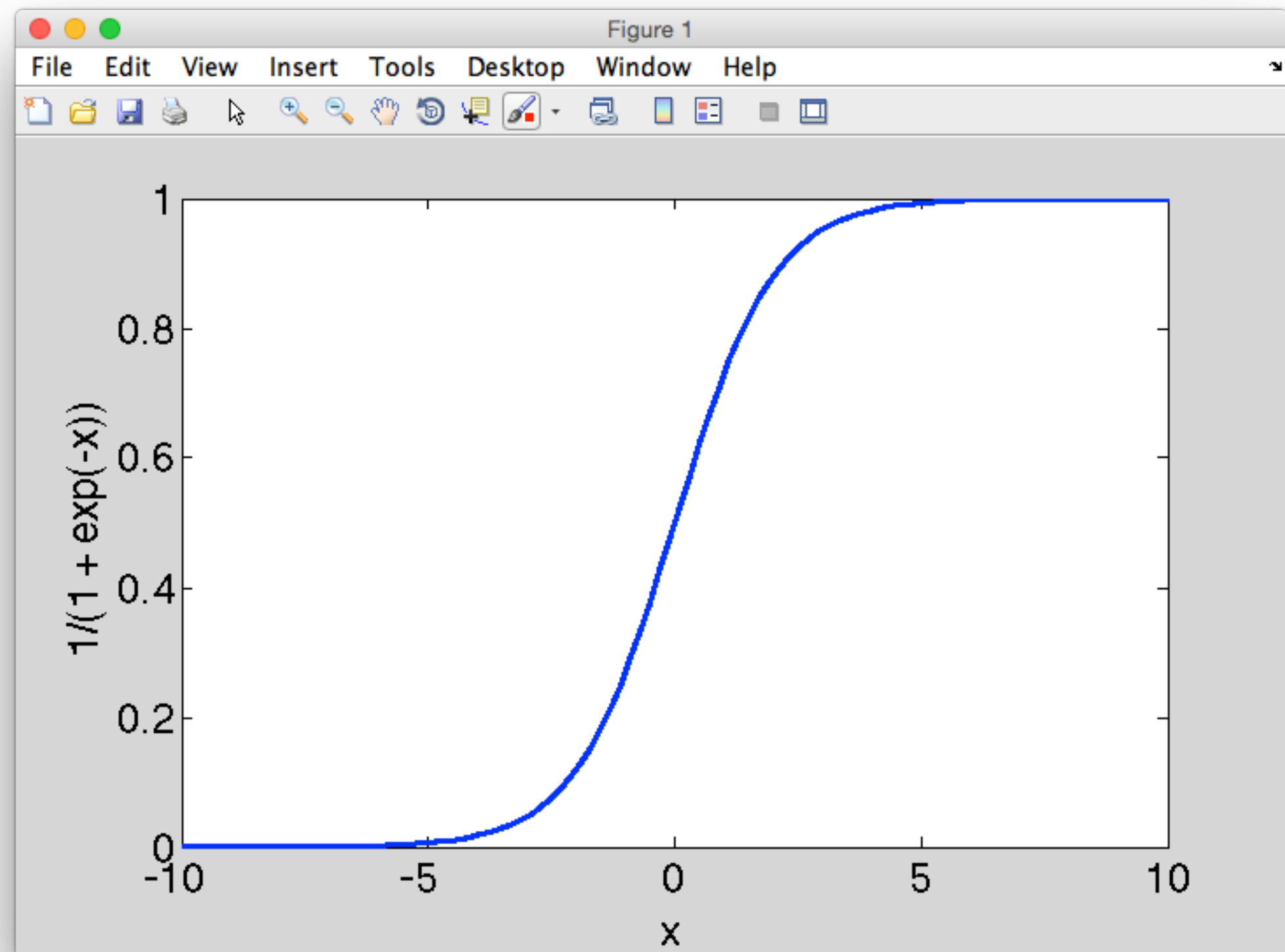
# Logistic Squashing Function

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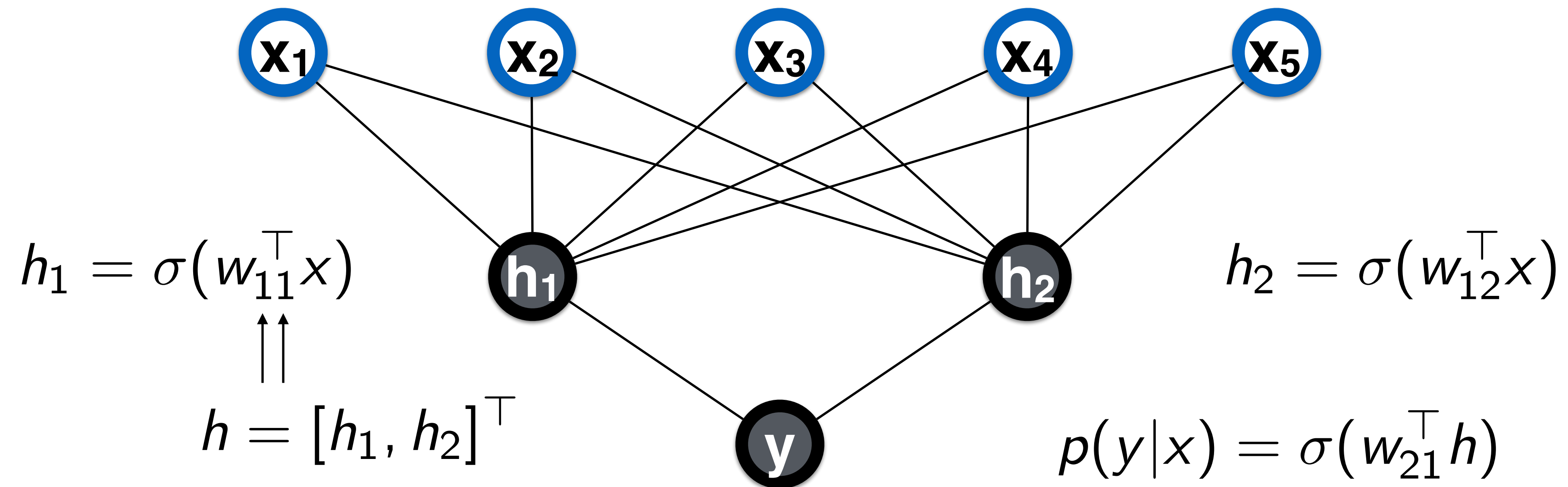
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$$\frac{d \sigma(x)}{d x} = \sigma(x)(1 - \sigma(x))$$

# Multi-Layered Perceptron



$$p(y|x) = \sigma \left( w_{21}^\top \left[ \sigma(w_{11}^\top x), \sigma(w_{12}^\top x) \right]^\top \right)$$

# Gradients

$$p(y|x) = \sigma \left( w_{21}^\top \left[ \sigma(w_{11}^\top x), \sigma(w_{12}^\top x) \right]^\top \right) \quad \nabla_{w_{21}} \text{ll} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{p(y_i|x_i)} \times \nabla_{w_{21}} p(y_i|x_i)$$

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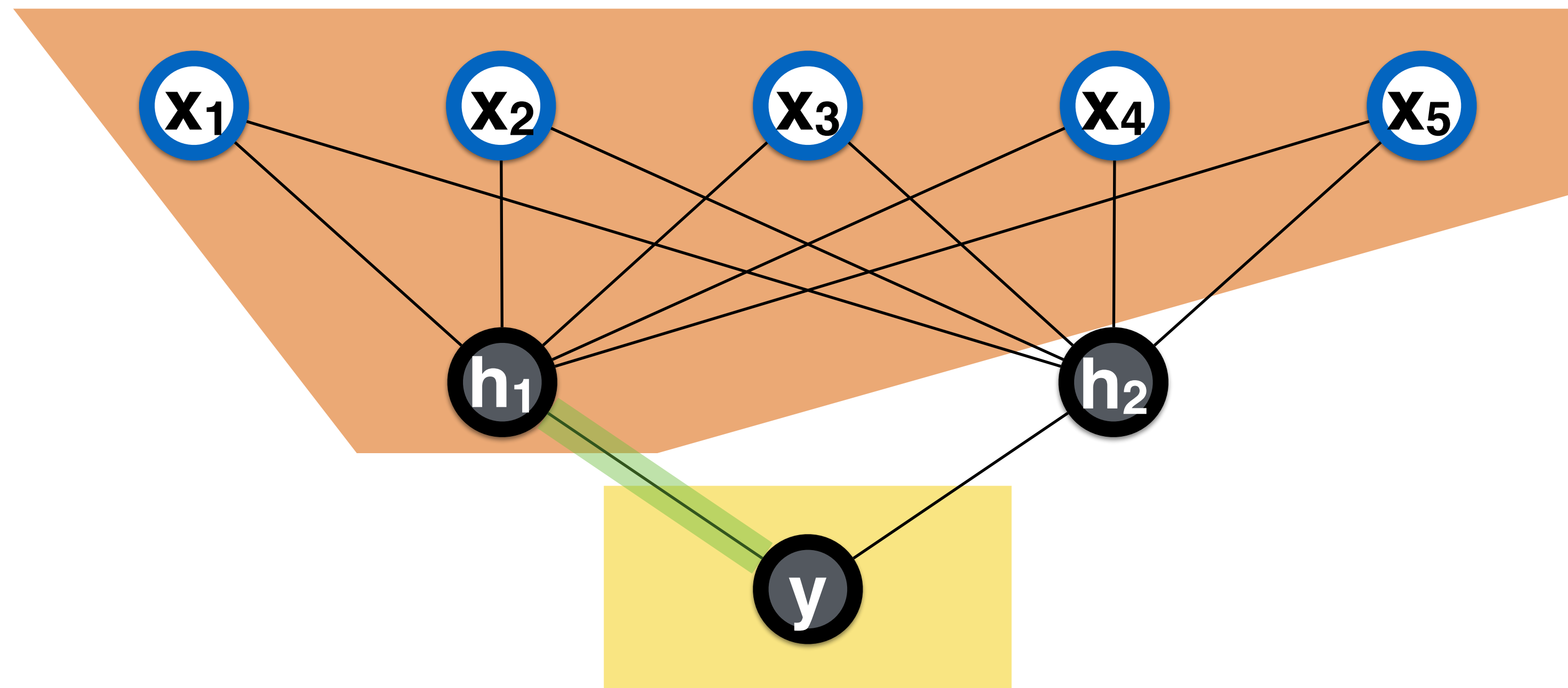
$$\ell(W) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(y_i|x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sigma \left( w_{21}^\top \left[ \sigma(w_{11}^\top x_i), \sigma(w_{12}^\top x_i) \right]^\top \right)$$

$$\nabla_{w_{11}} \ell = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \log \sigma(w_{21}^\top h) \right) w_{21} [1] \sigma(w_{11}^\top x_i) (1 - \sigma(w_{11}^\top x_i)) x_i$$

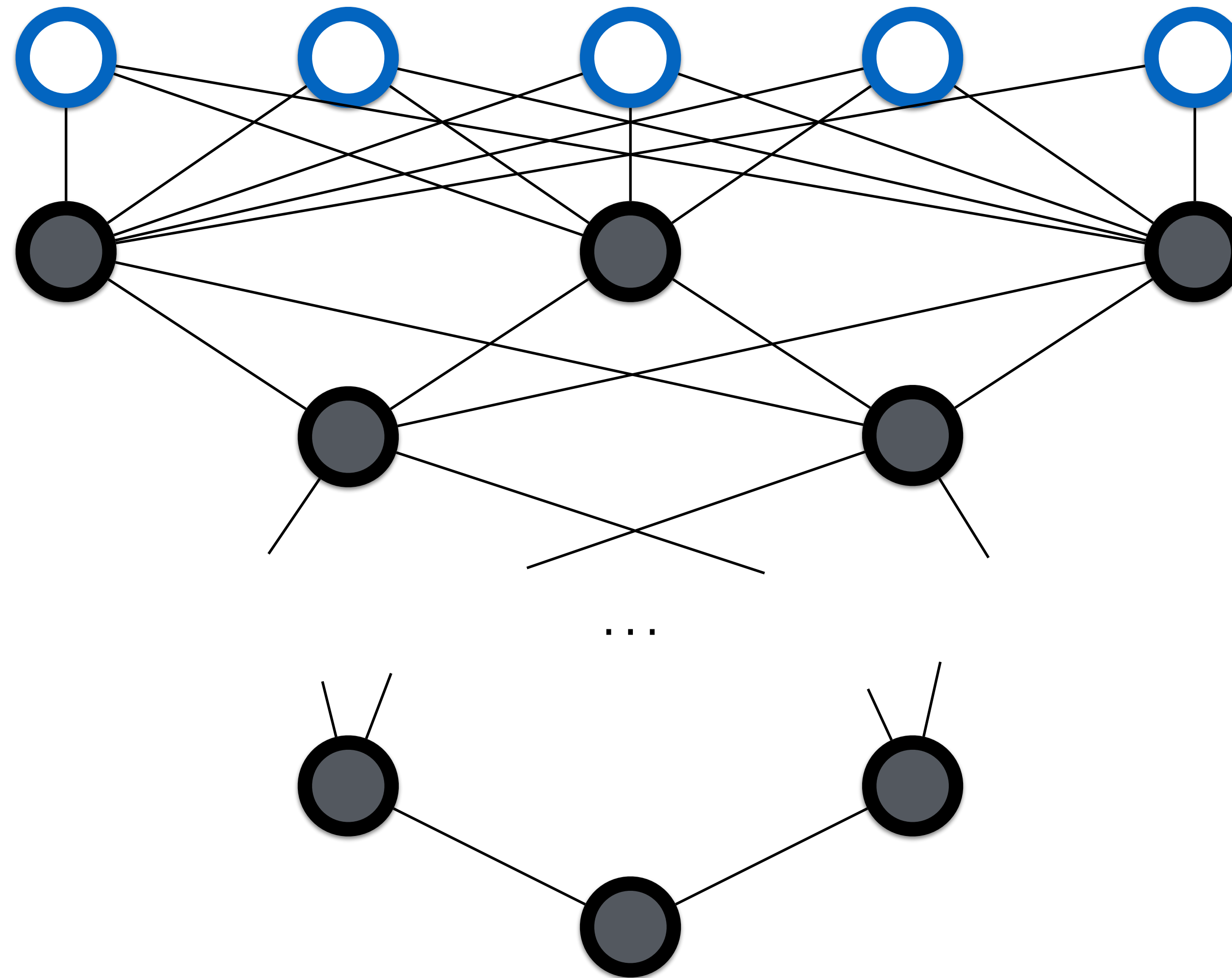
$h_1 = \sigma(w_{11}^\top x)$

$$\nabla_{w_{11}} \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n \underbrace{(I(y_i = 1) - \sigma(w_{21}^\top h))}_{\text{raw error}} \underbrace{w_{21} [1]}_{\text{blame for error}} \underbrace{\sigma(w_{11}^\top x_i) (1 - \sigma(w_{11}^\top x_i)) x_i}_{\text{gradient of blamed error}}$$

$\log \sigma(w_{21}^\top h)$        $w_{21}^\top h$        $h_1 = \sigma(w_{11}^\top x)$



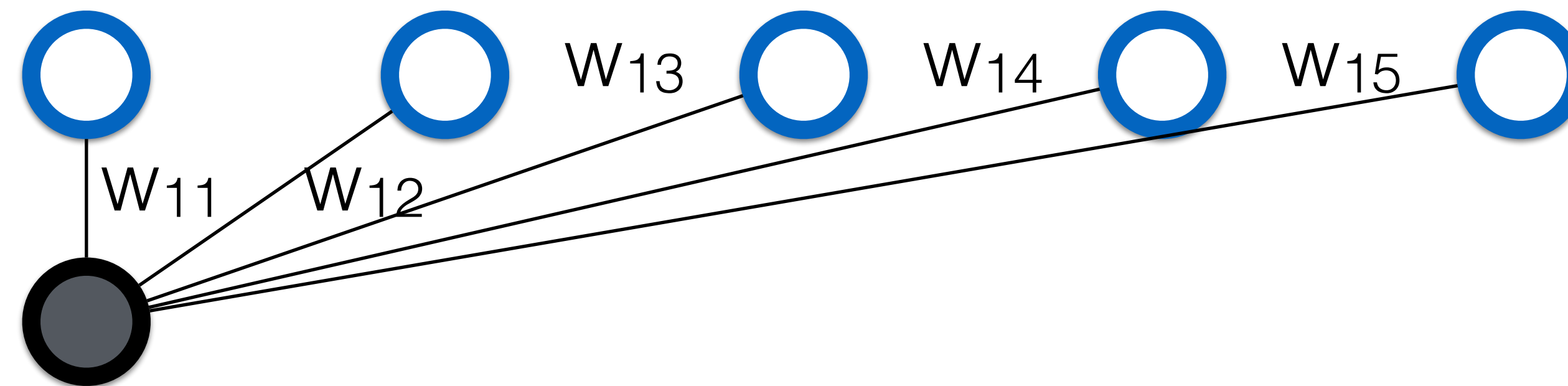
# Matrix Form



$x$

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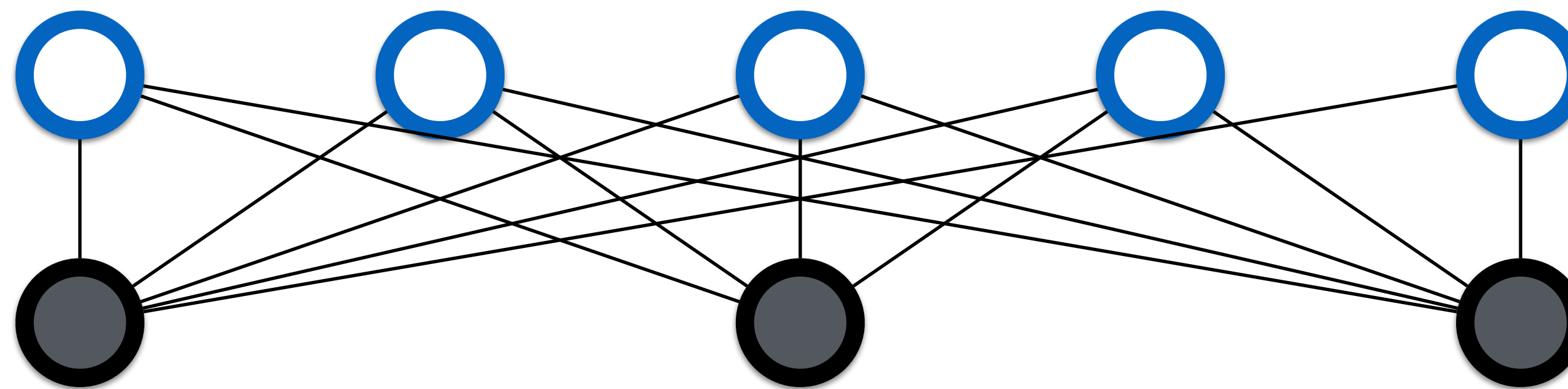
$h_1[1]$

$$s(v) = [s(v_1), s(v_2), s(v_3), \dots]^T$$

$W_1 =$

$W_{11}$	$W_{12}$	$W_{13}$	$W_{14}$	$W_{15}$

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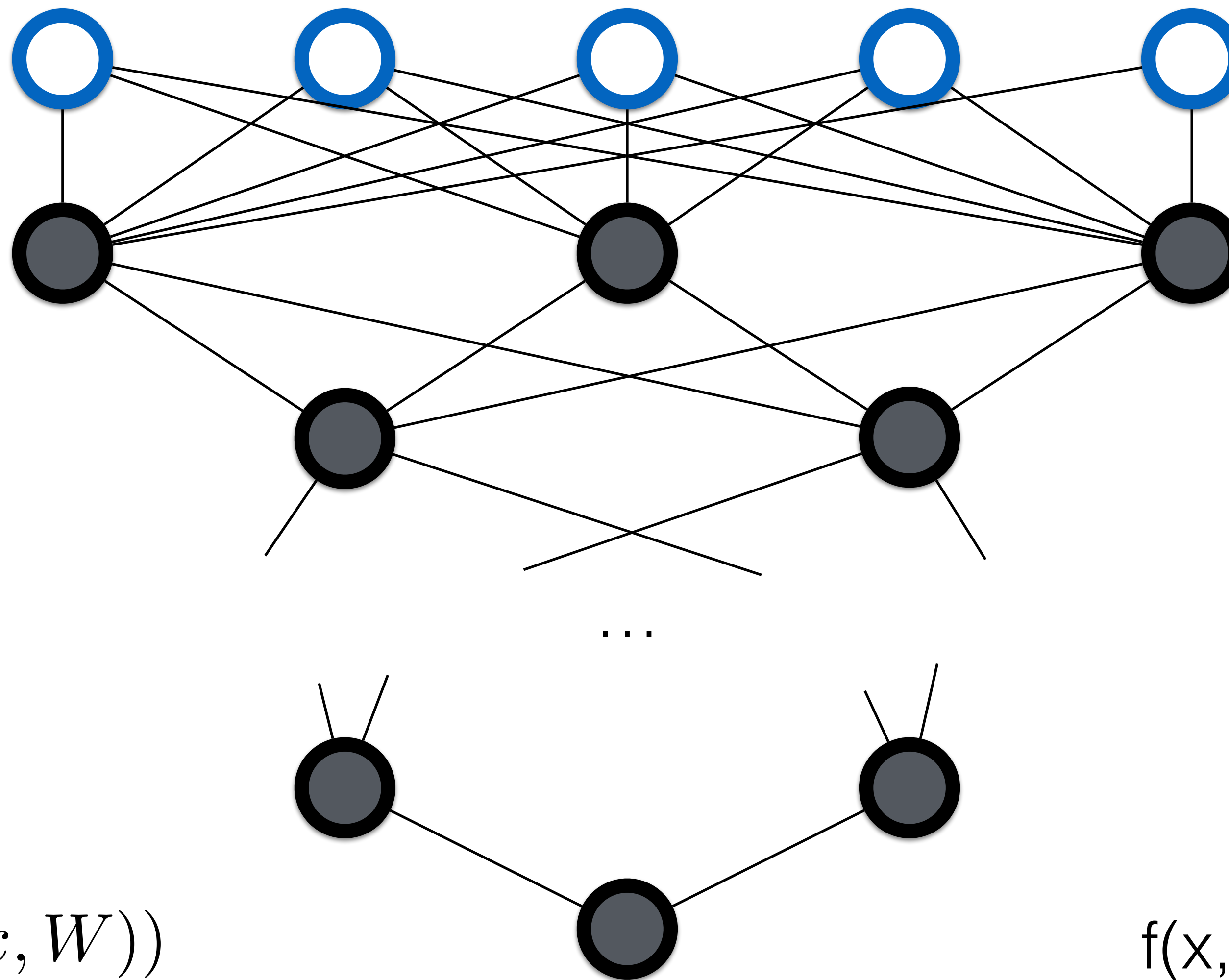
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$W_{21}$	$W_{22}$	$W_{23}$	$W_{24}$	$W_{25}$
$W_{31}$	$W_{32}$	$W_{33}$	$W_{34}$	$W_{35}$

# of output units

# of input units

# Matrix Form



$x$

$$h_1 = s(W_1 x)$$

$$h_2 = s(W_2 h_1)$$

...

$$h_{m-1} = s(W_{m-1} h_{m-2})$$

$$J(W) = \ell(f(x, W))$$

$$f(x, W) = s(W_m h_{m-1})$$

# Matrix Gradient Recipe

$$h_1 = s(W_1 x)$$

$$\nabla_{W_1} J = \delta_1 x^\top$$

$$h_2 = s(W_2 h_1)$$

$$\nabla_{W_i} J = \delta_i h_{i-1}^\top$$

...

$$\delta_i = (W_{i+1}^\top \delta_{i+1}) \odot s'(W_i h_{i-1})$$

$$h_{m-1} = s(W_{m-1} h_{m-2})$$

$$\nabla_{W_{m-1}} J = \delta_{m-1} h_{m-2}^\top$$

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$$f(x, W) = s(W_m h_{m-1})$$

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Feed Forward  
Propagation

Back Propagation

## Challenges

- Local minima (non-convex)
- Overfitting

## Remedies

- Regularization
- Parameter sharing: convolution
- Pre-training: initializing weights smartly
- Training data manipulation, e.g., dropout, noise, transformations
- Huge data sets