

# Deep Learning & Neural Networks

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**Deep Learning Optimization: Techniques  
and Parameter Tuning**

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## LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Understand the role of optimizers and loss functions in deep learning.
- Learn various optimization techniques used in deep learning.
- Gain knowledge of parameter tuning strategies for optimizers and loss functions.
- Be able to apply appropriate optimization techniques and tune parameters effectively in your deep learning projects

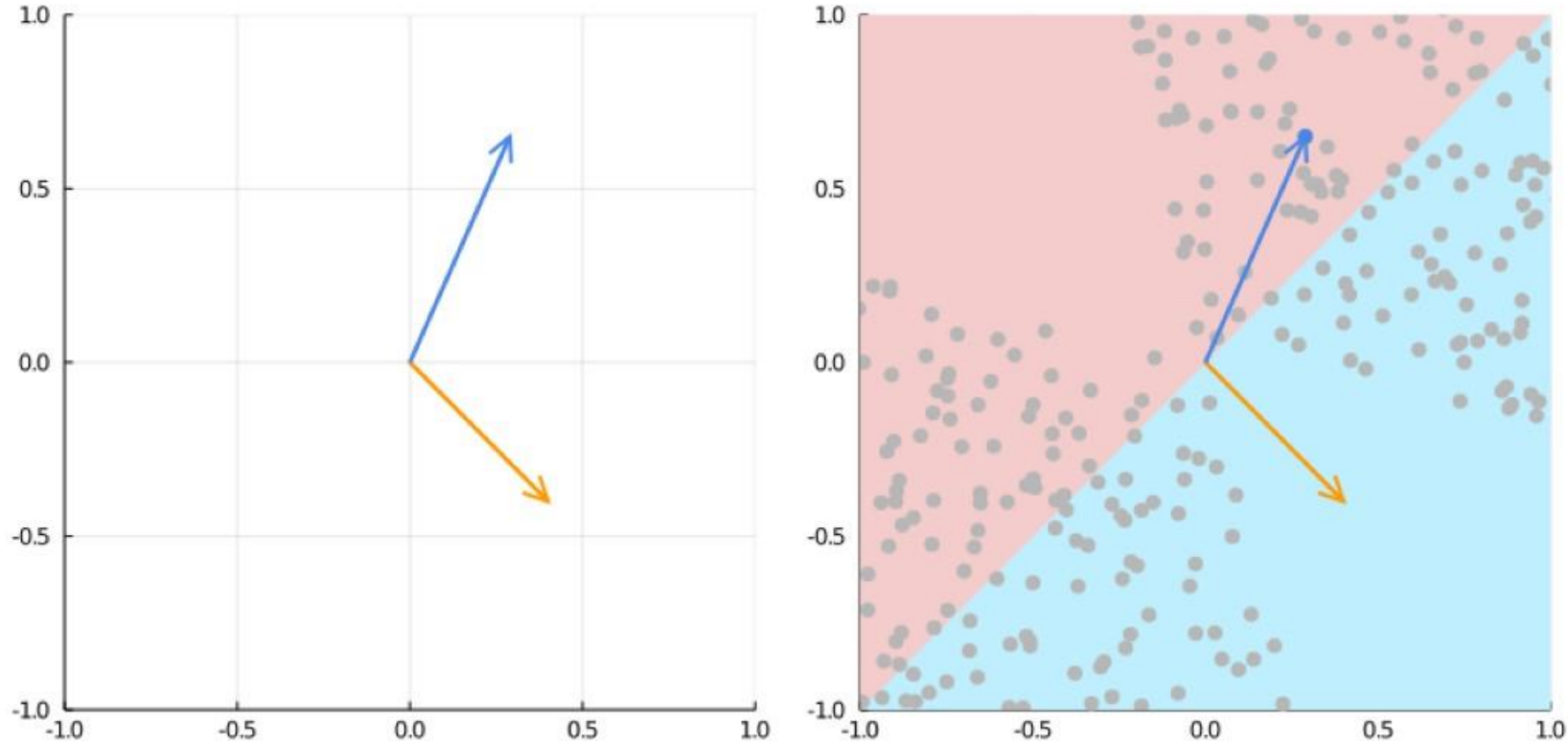


## LECTURE OUTLINE

- ◉ Optimizers in Deep Learning
  - ◉ Gradient descent and its variants
  - ◉ Momentum-based optimizers
  - ◉ Adaptive optimizers
  - ◉ Pros and cons of each optimizer
- ◉ Hyperparameter tuning

- In the Perceptron algorithm, we computed the **dot product** between a **single weight vector and the input vector** to make a prediction.
- If the prediction was wrong, we simply **added/subtracted** the input vector to/from the weight vector.
- The goal was to increase (by adding) or decrease (by subtracting) the dot product between the weight vector and the input vector.
- we wanted to improve our predictions more carefully, we scaled the input vector by a **small learning rate** before using it to update the weight vector.

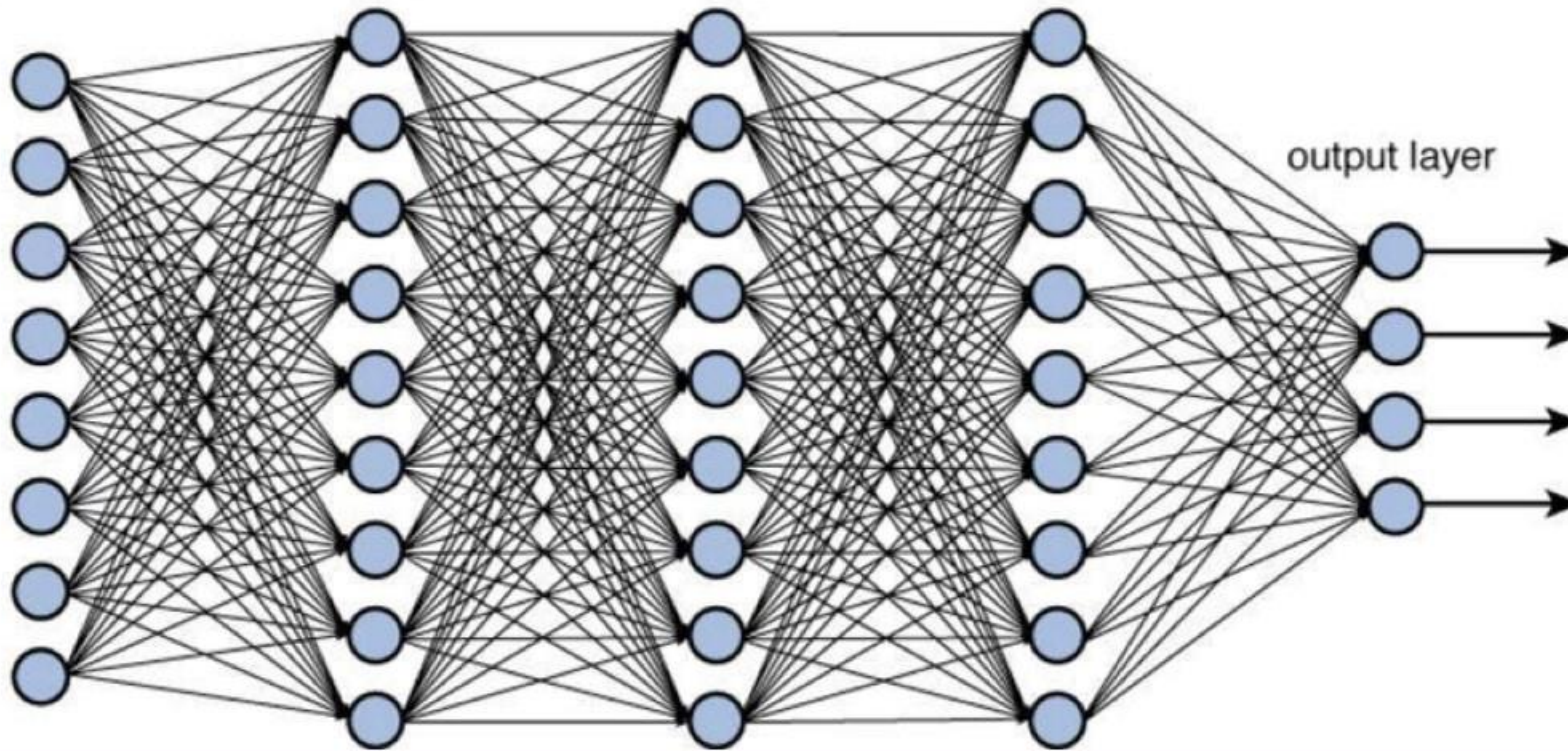
# The Perceptron Learning Algorithm



- MLP doesn't just have a single weight vector — it has **many weight matrices**, each one made up of many weight vectors.
- How we scale the input vector before using it to update each weight vector.
- Goal: update the weight vectors in a way such that the combination of all updates results in the MLP becoming more accurate in making predictions.

- In deep learning, optimizers are algorithms that **adjust the model's parameters** during training to **minimize a loss function**. They enable neural networks to learn from data by iteratively **updating weights and biases**.
- Optimizer algorithms are optimization method that helps improve a deep learning **model's performance**, accuracy and speed training of the deep learning model.

- Choosing the **right weights** for the model as a deep learning model generally consists of **millions of parameters**.



- **Backpropagation**, short for "backward propagation of errors"
- The goal of backpropagation is to compute gradient and then we can use any gradient based algorithm to **adjust the weights and biases** of a neural network in order to **minimize the difference between the predicted outputs and the actual outputs** for a given set of training data.

The backpropagation algorithm can be summarized in the following steps:

(1) **Forward** propagation: The input data is fed forward through the network, and the activations of each neuron are computed layer by layer until the output is generated. This step is also known as the forward pass.

(2) **Error** computation: The error or cost function is calculated by comparing the network's output with the desired output for the given input.

(3) **Backward** propagation: The gradients of the weights and biases are computed by traversing the network in reverse order, starting from the output layer and moving towards the input layer. The gradients are computed using the chain rule, which allows the error to be apportioned to each neuron in the network.

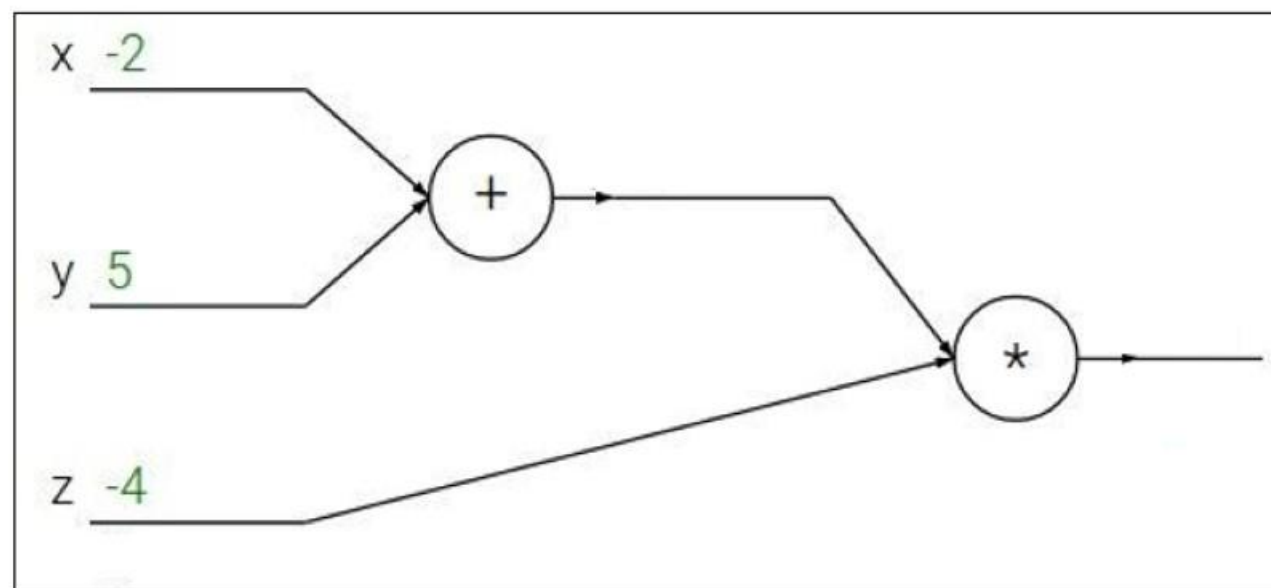
(4) **Weight and bias updates:** The weights and biases of the network are adjusted using an **optimization algorithm, such as gradient descent**, to minimize the error. The magnitude of the updates is determined by the gradients computed in the previous step.

Iteration: Steps 1 to 4 are repeated for multiple iterations or epochs until the network's performance reaches a satisfactory level or a stopping criterion is met.

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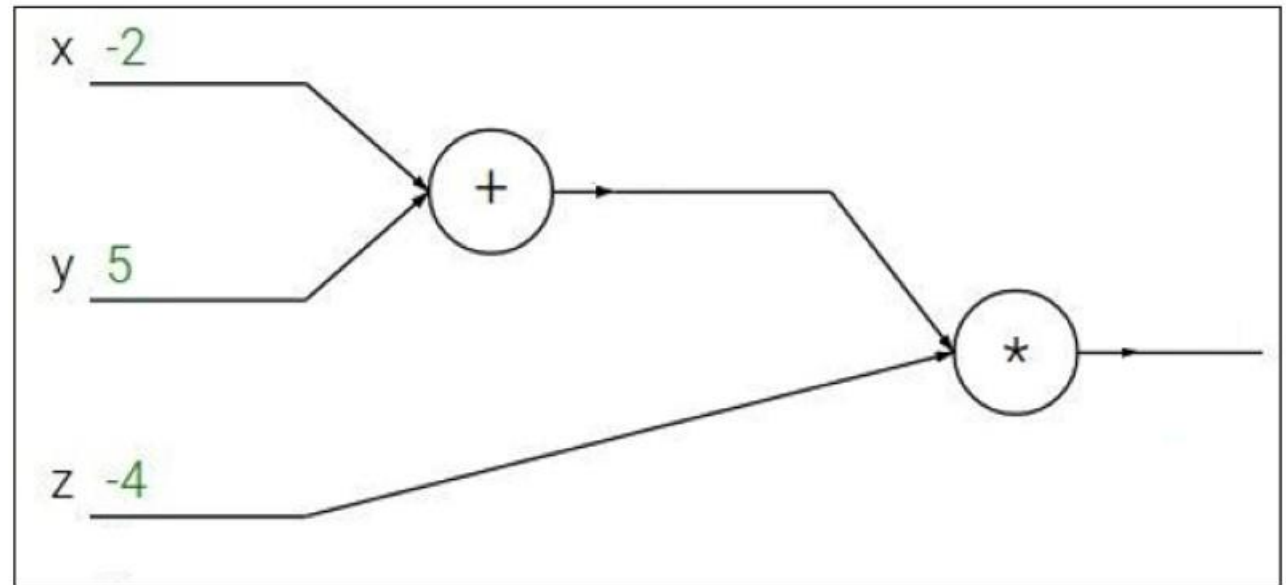
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**Forward pass**



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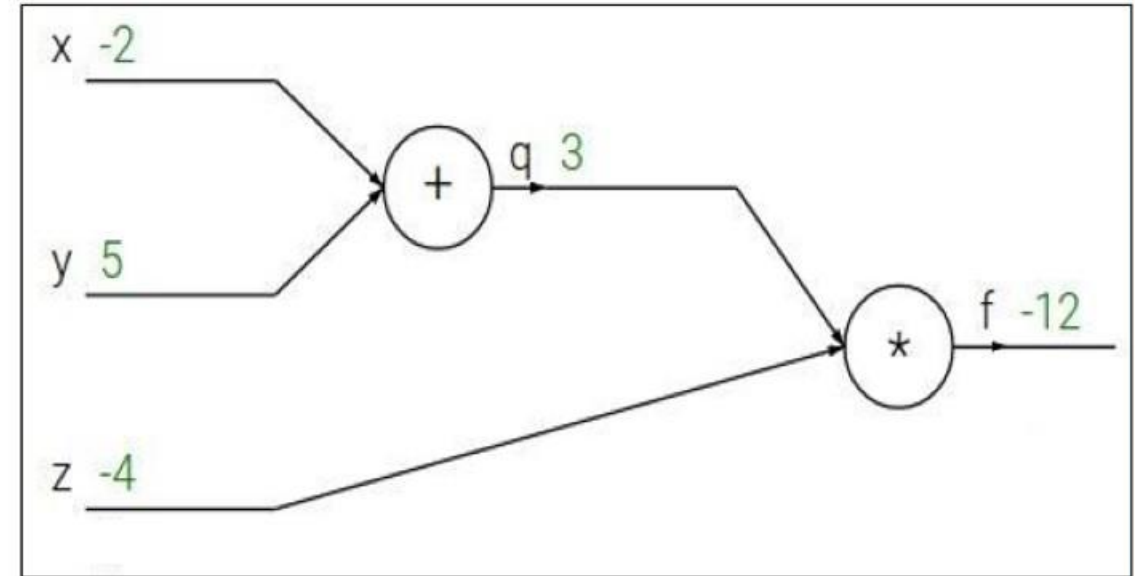
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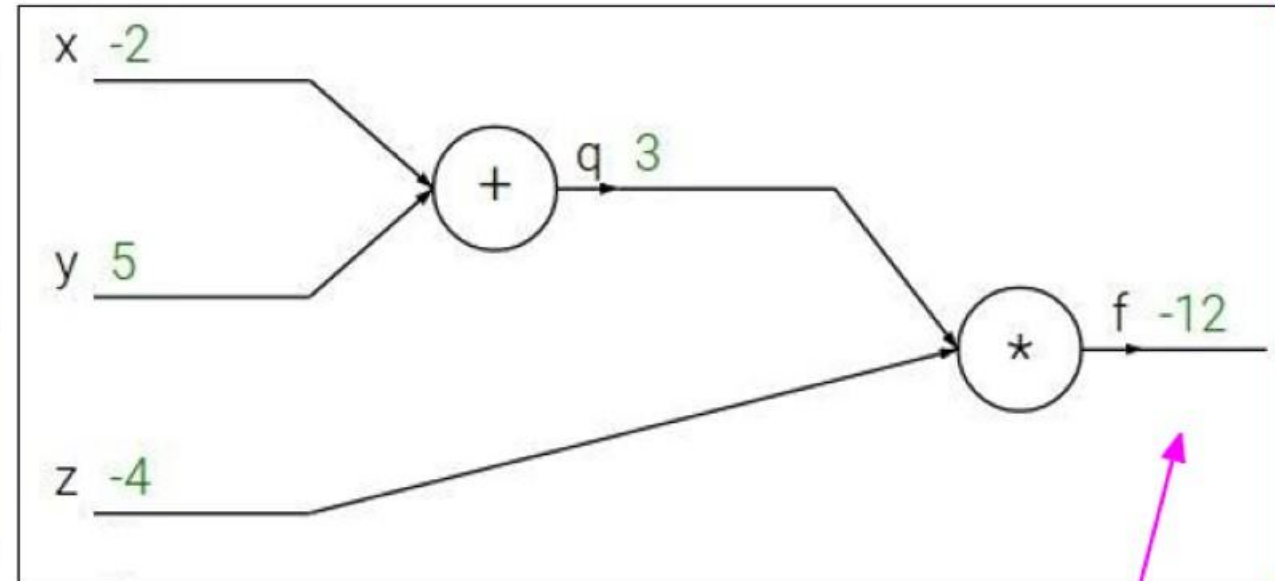
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Backward pass

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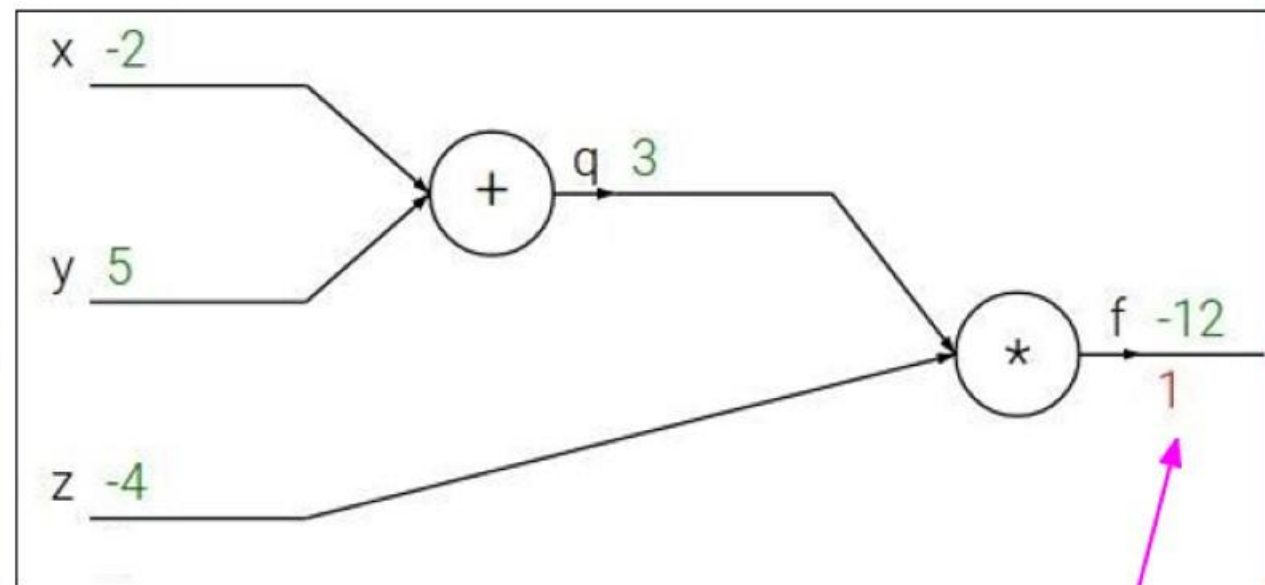
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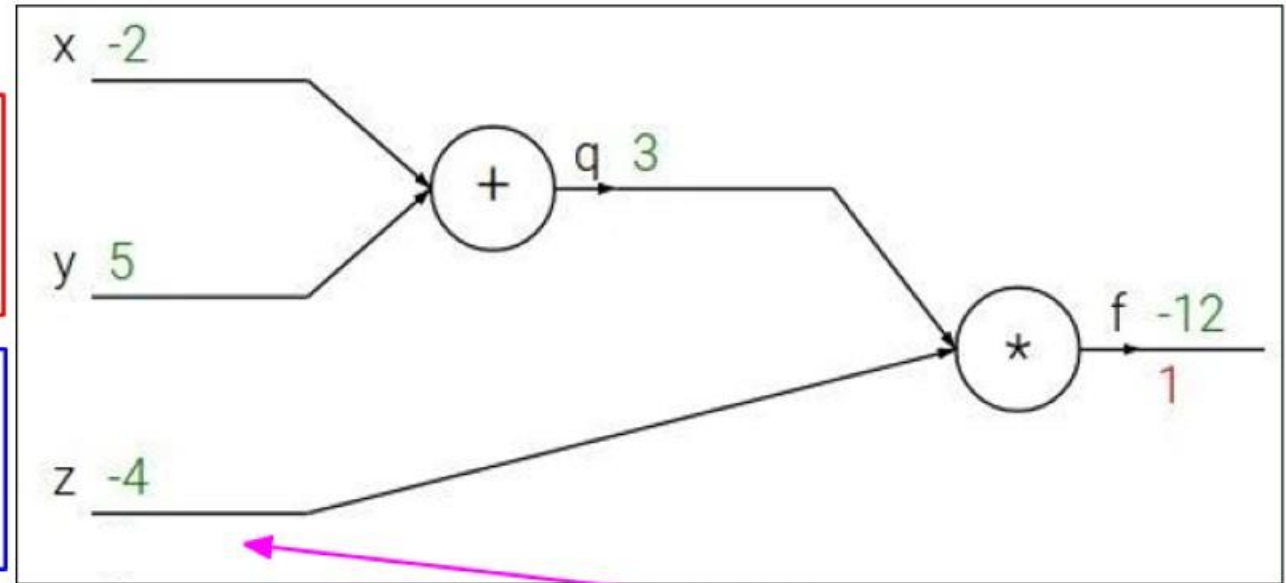
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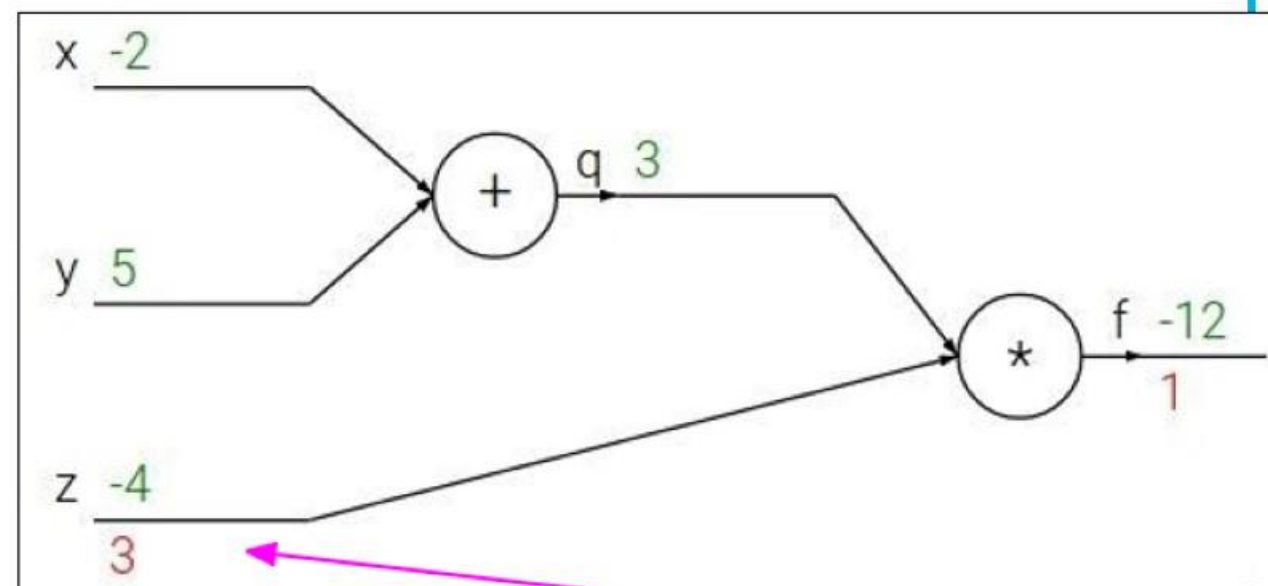
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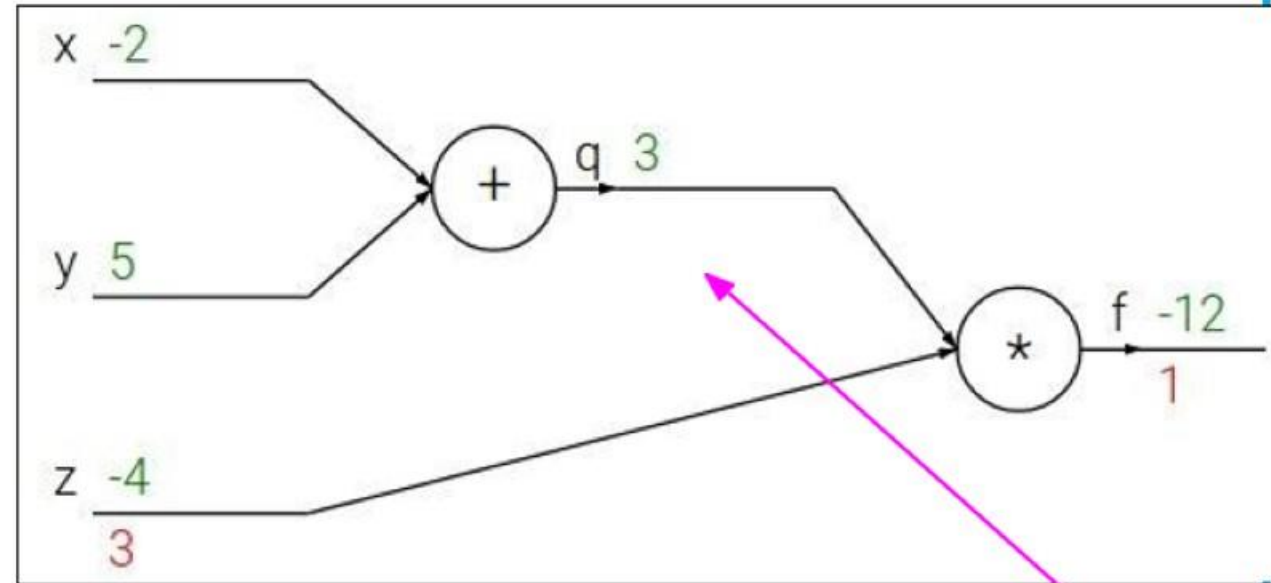
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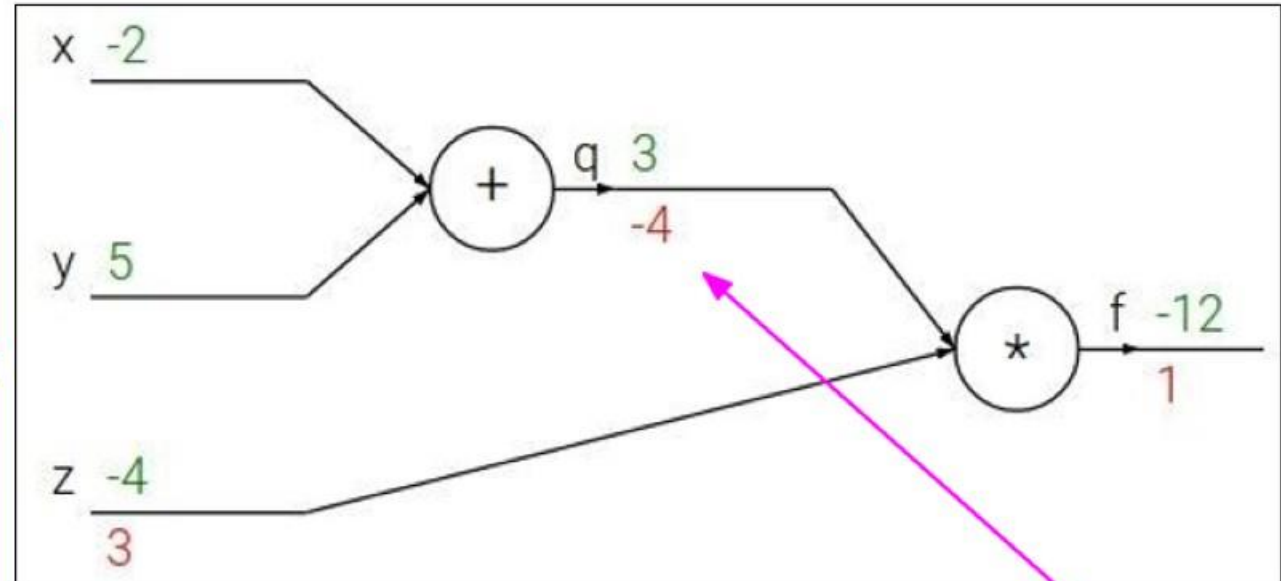
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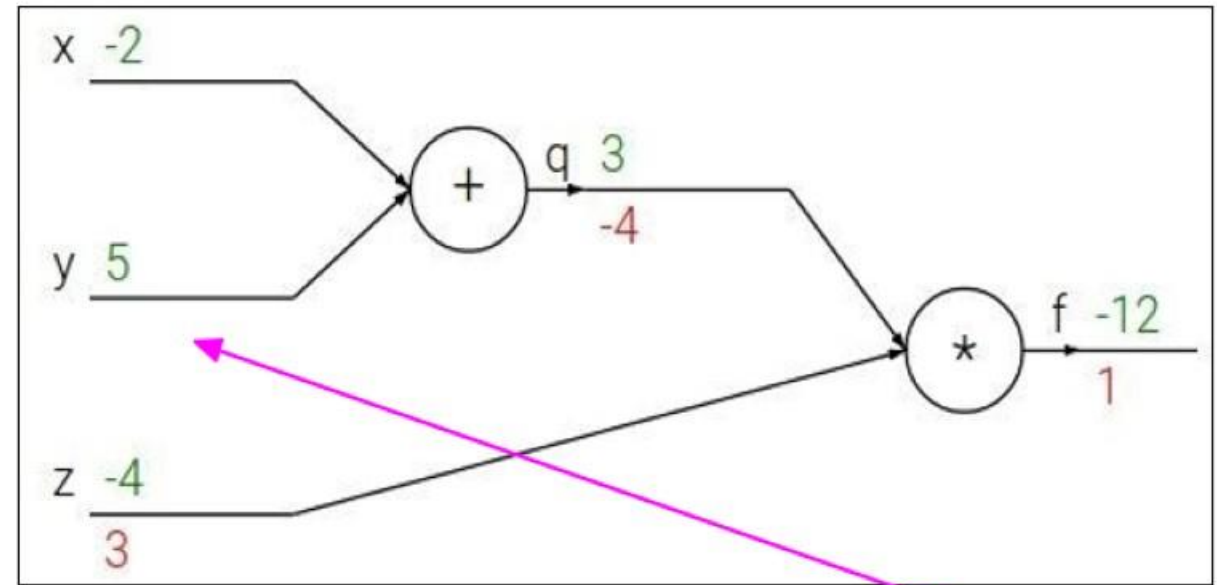
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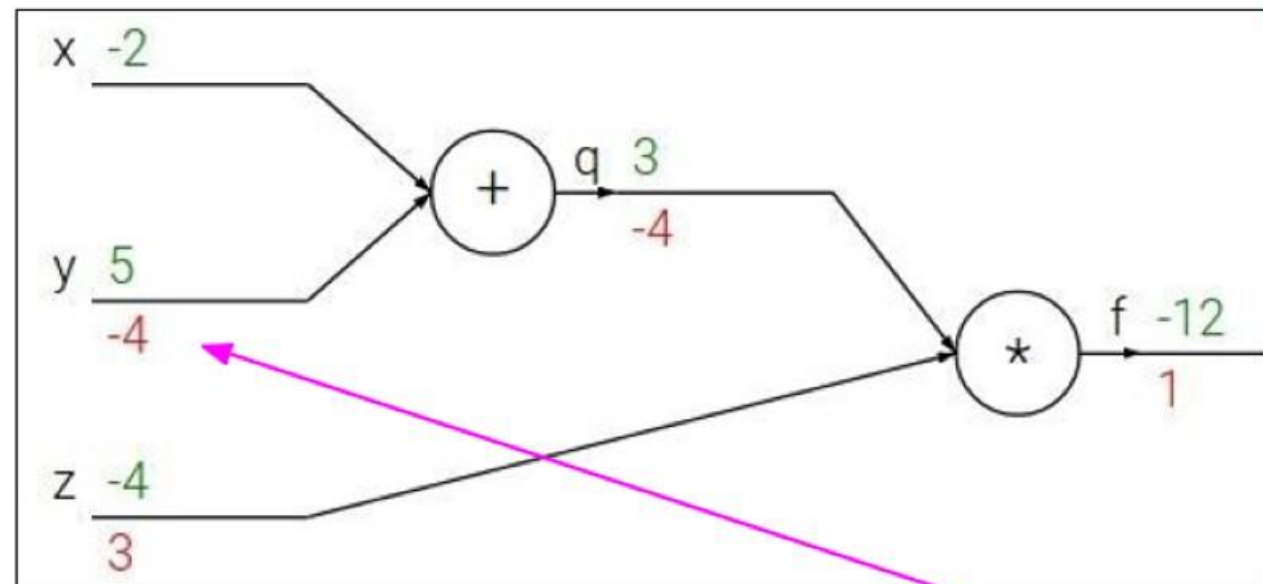
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Chain rule:

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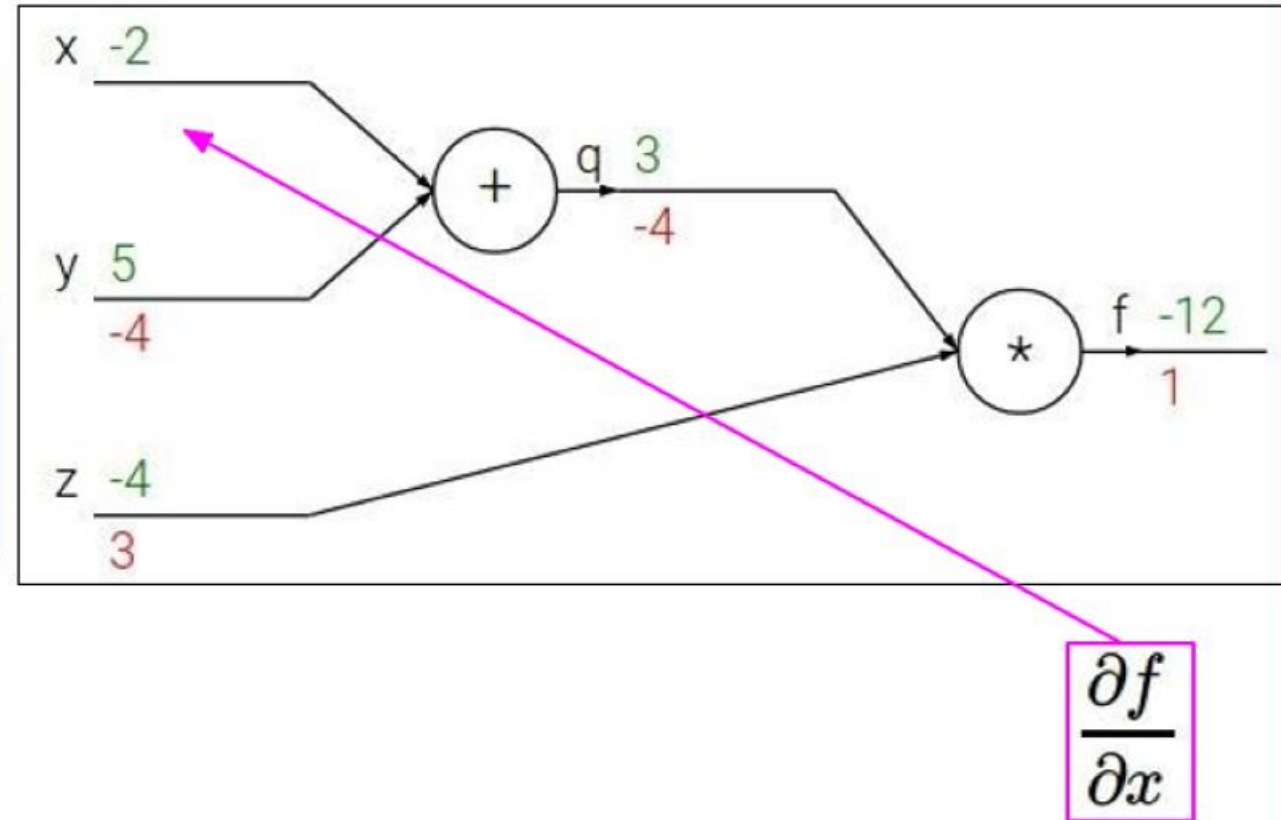
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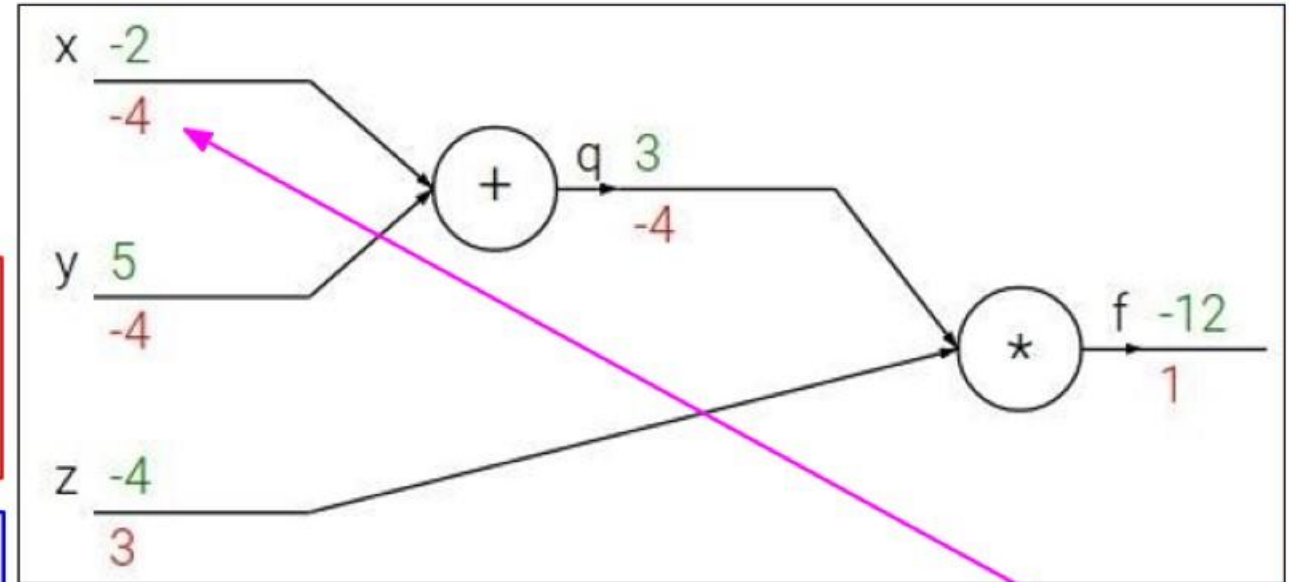
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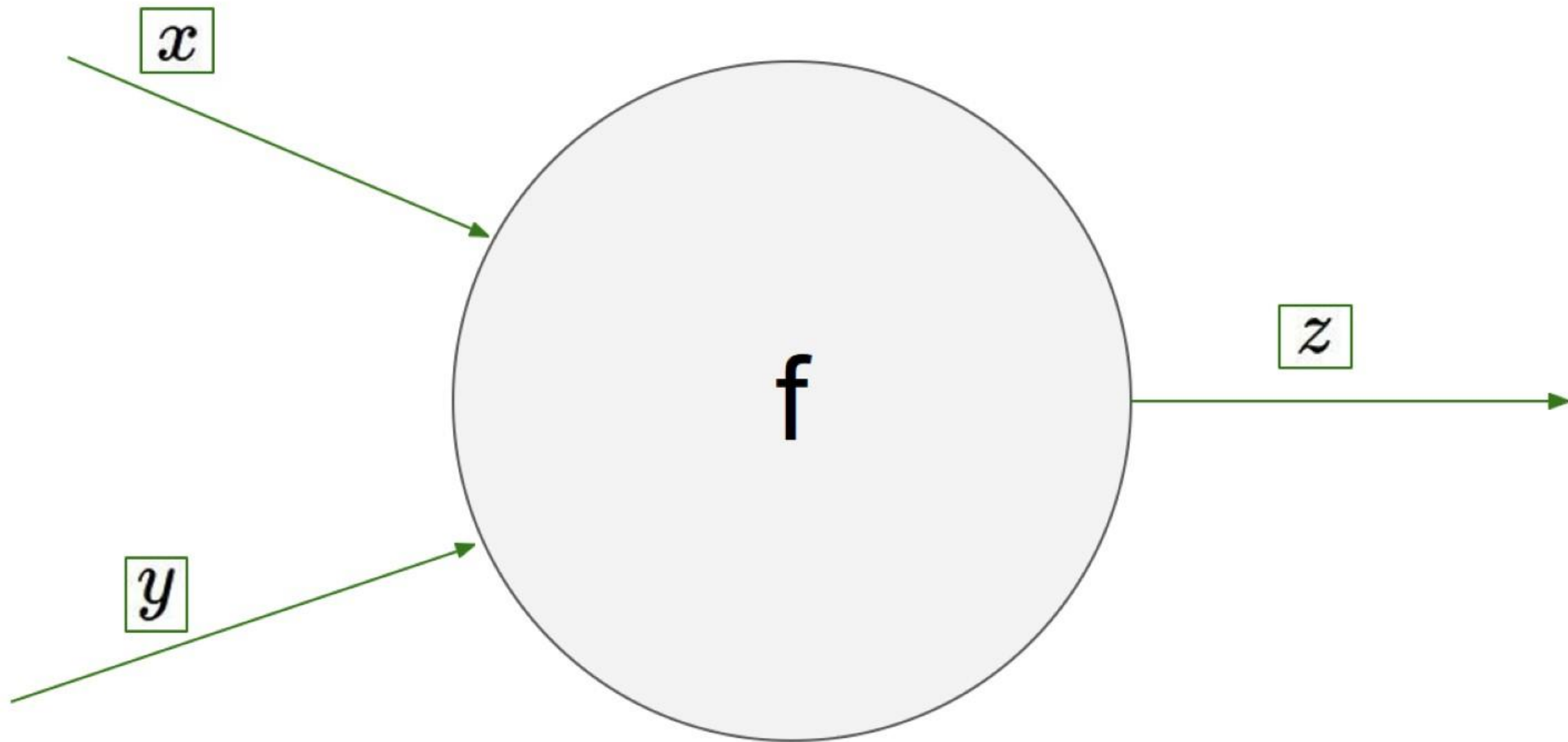
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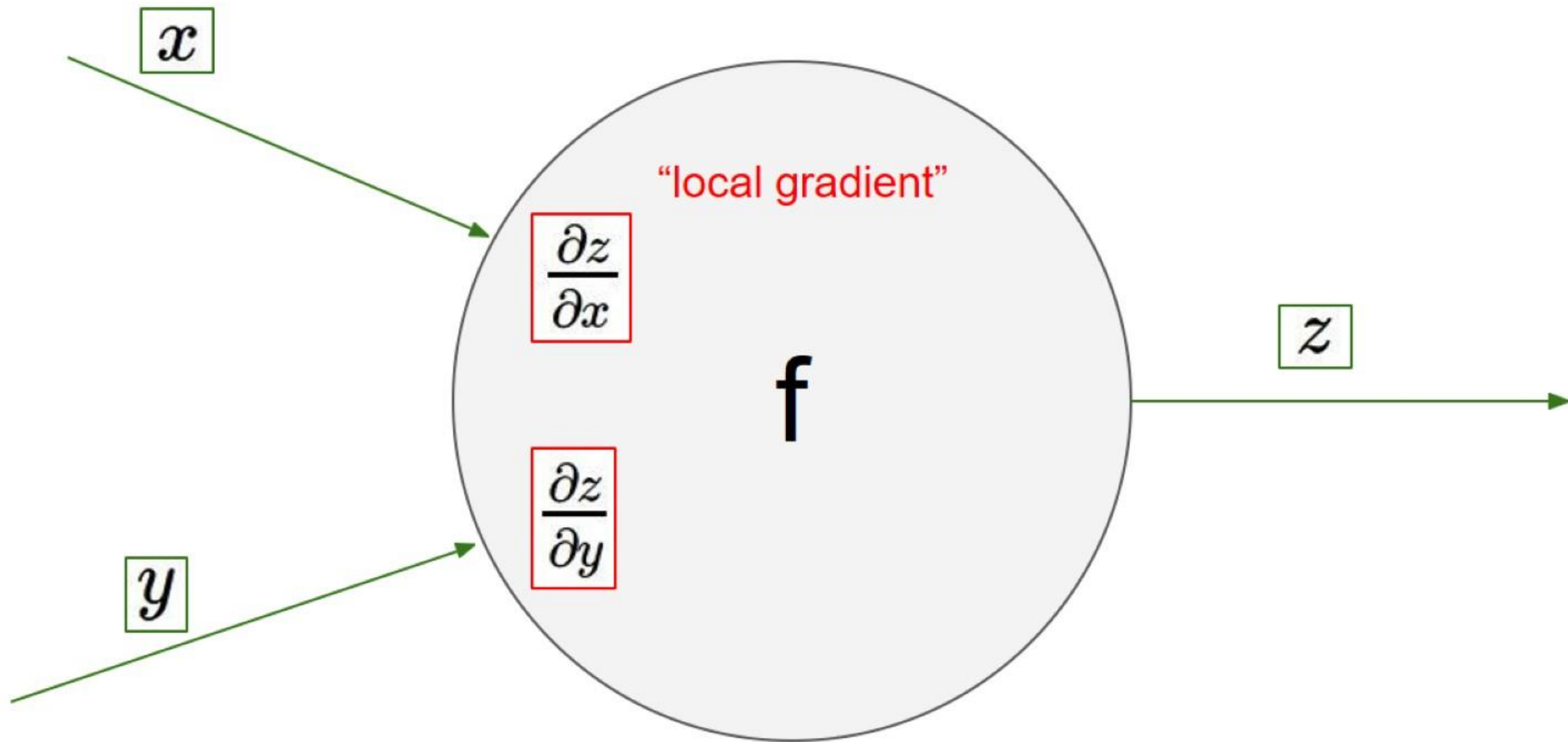


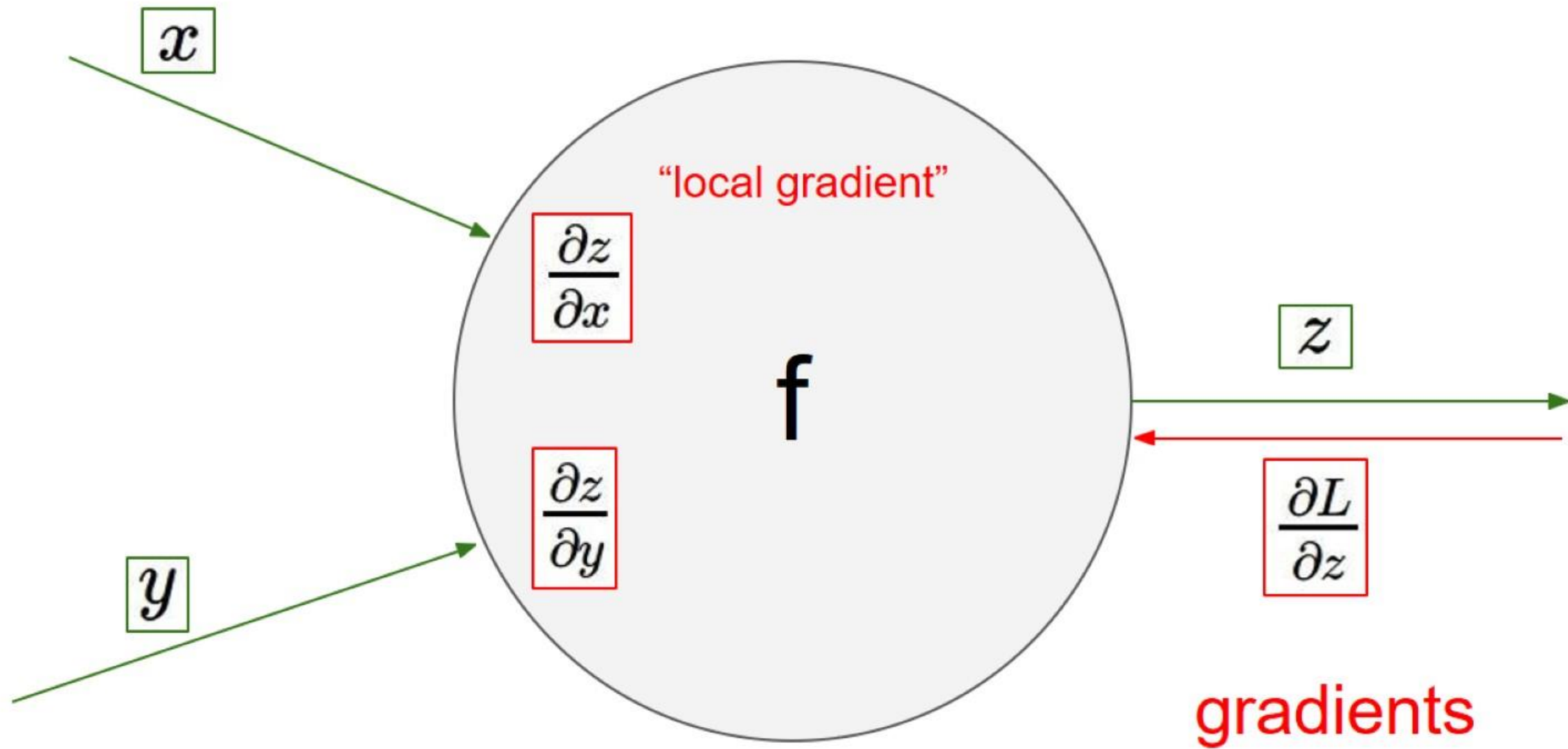
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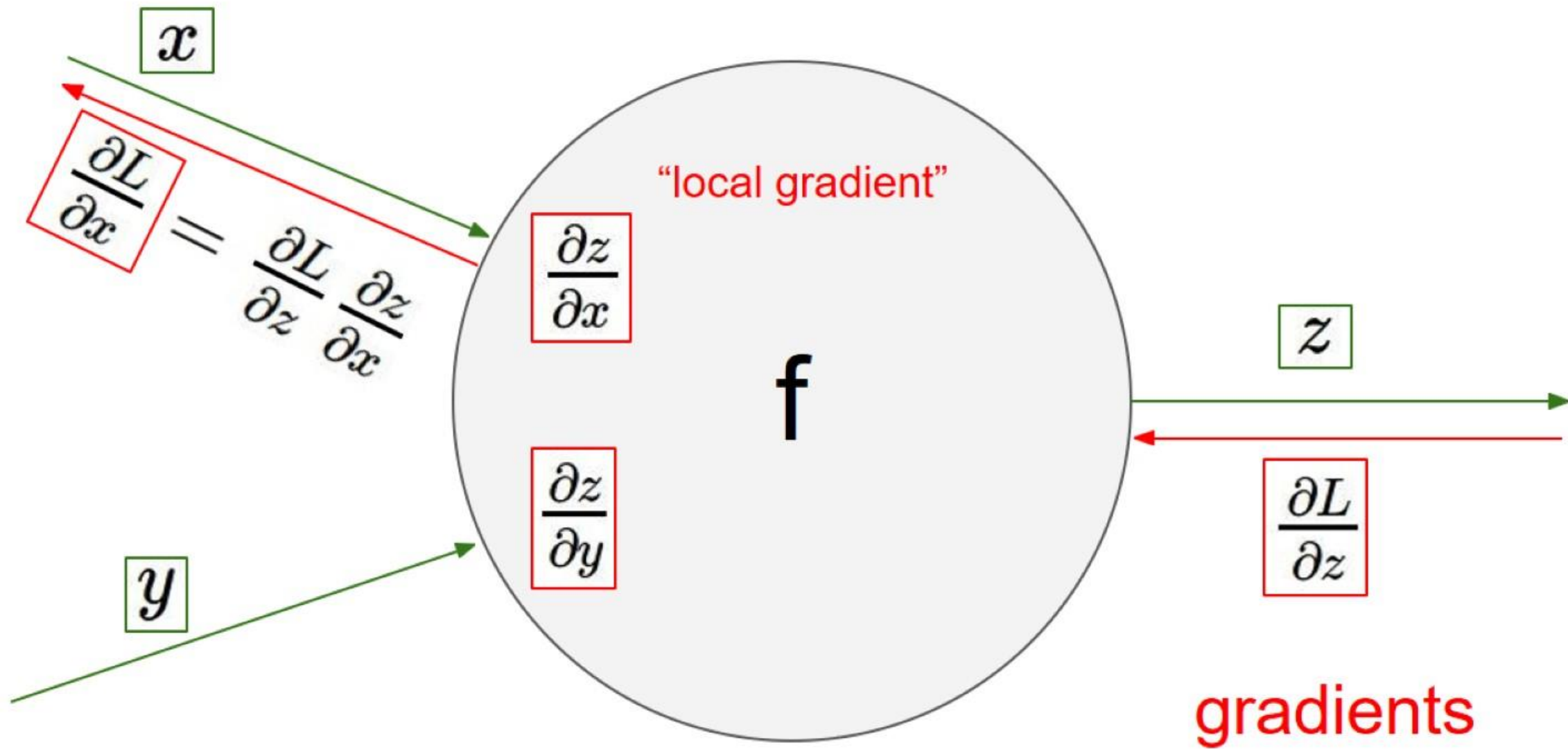
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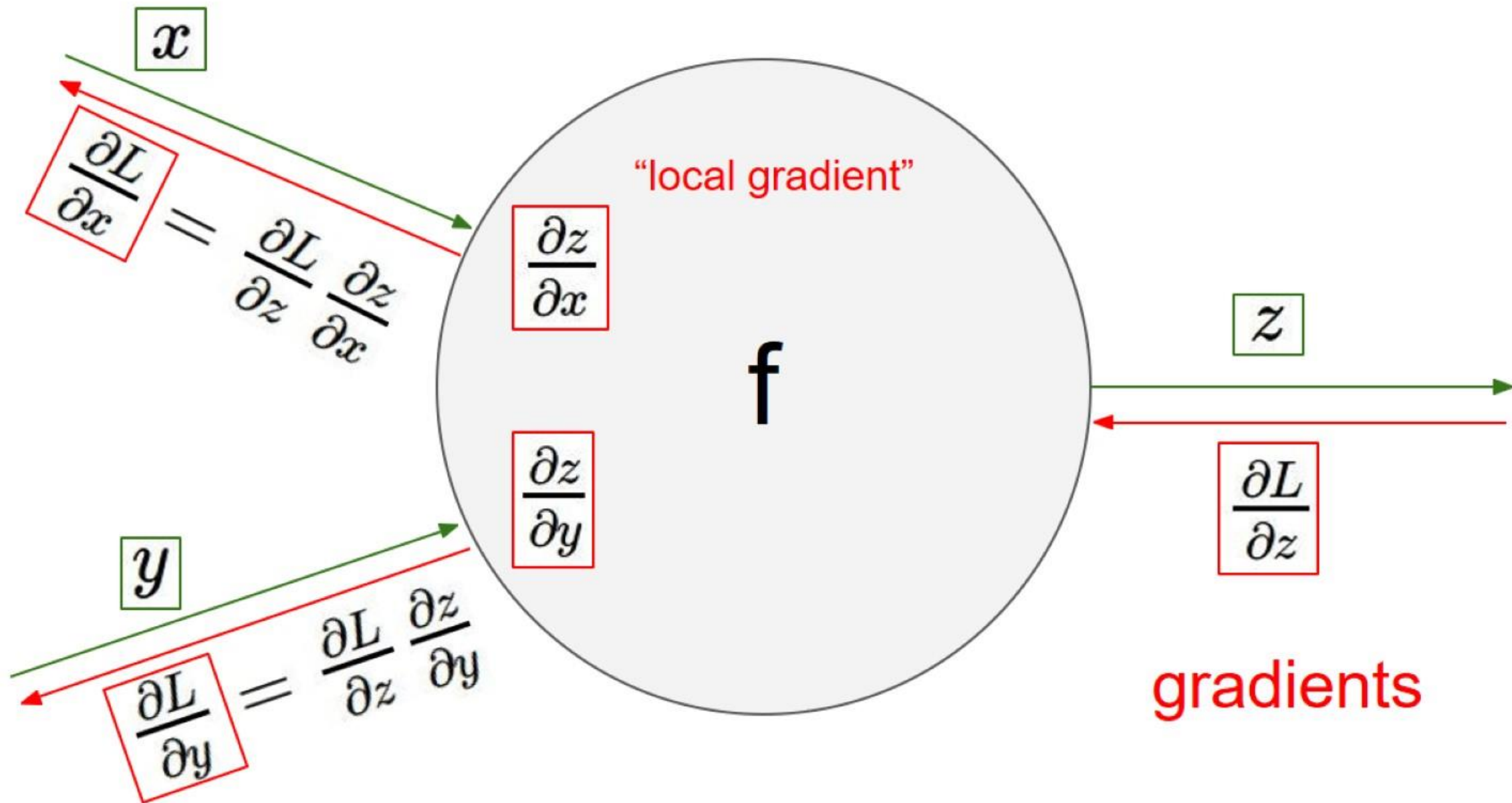
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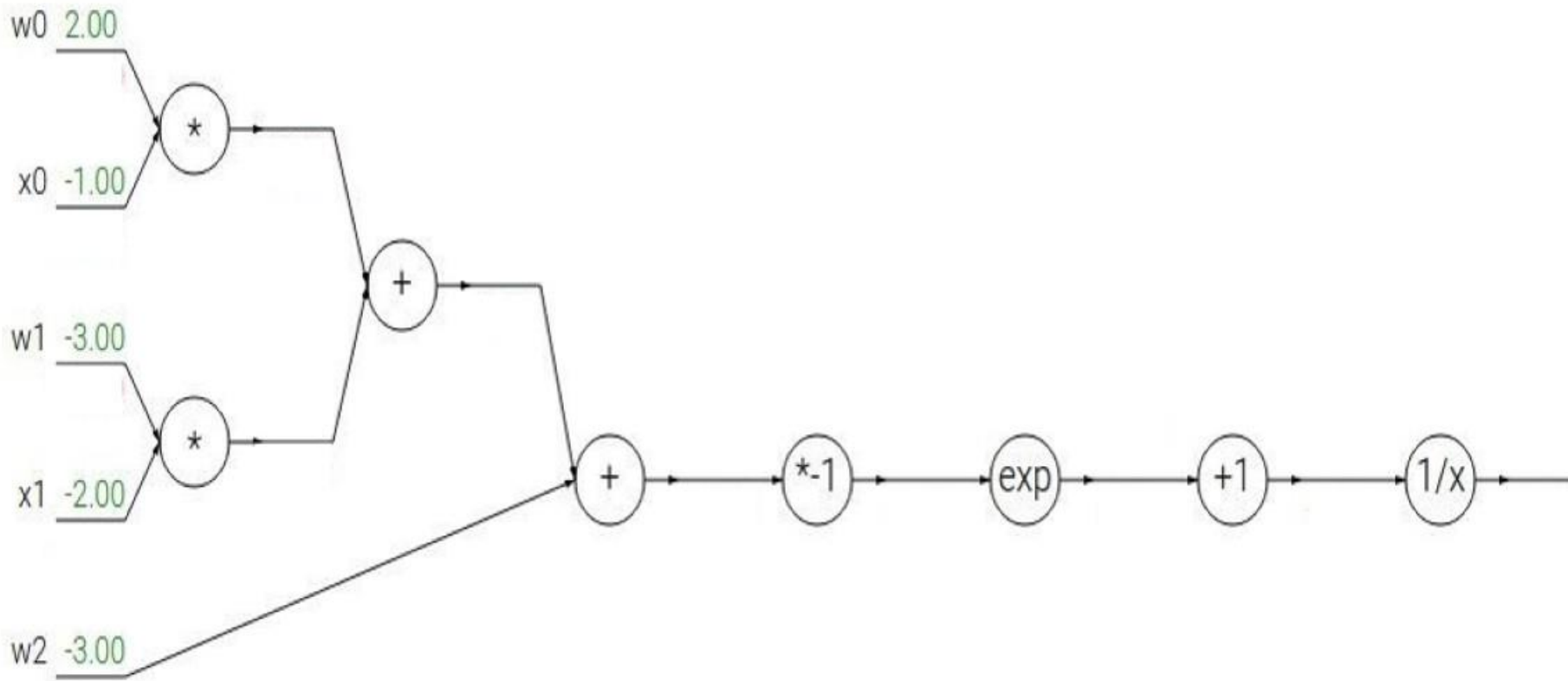






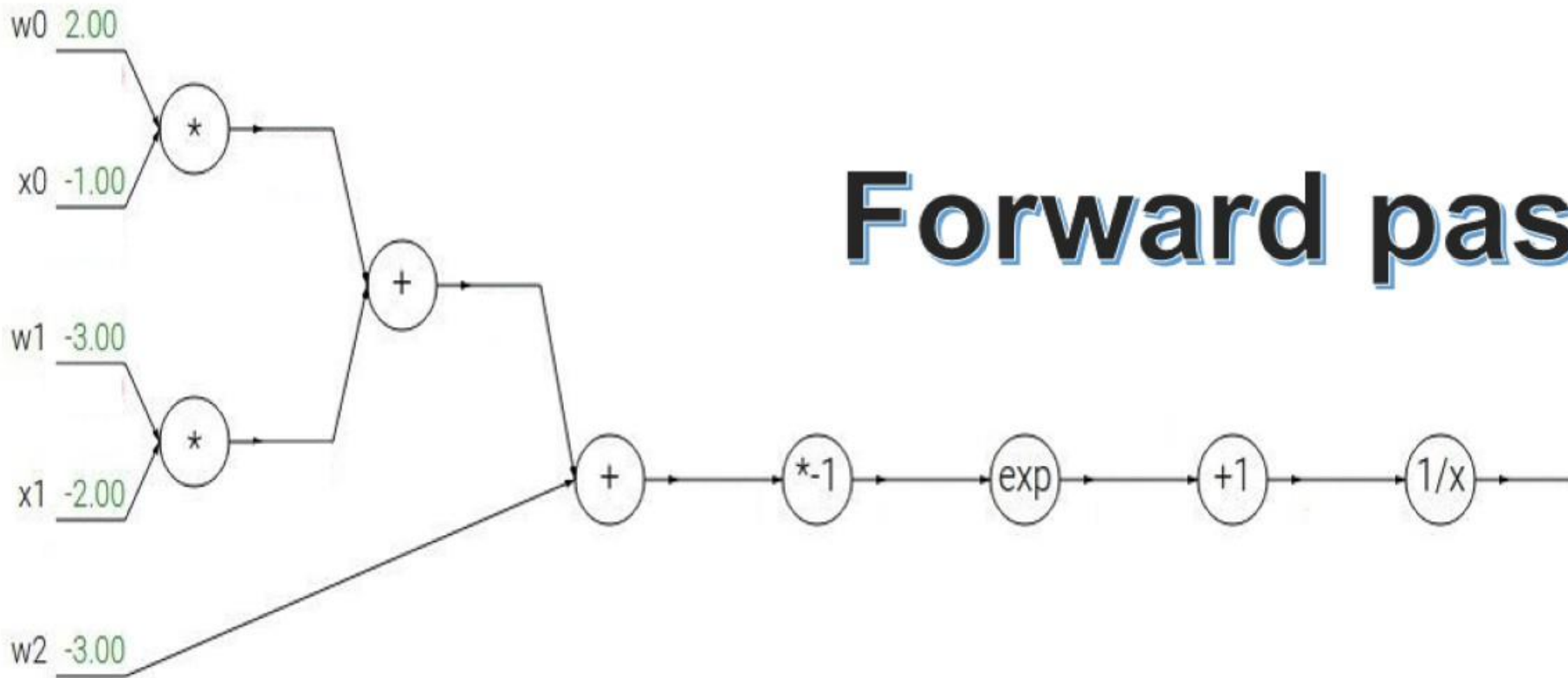
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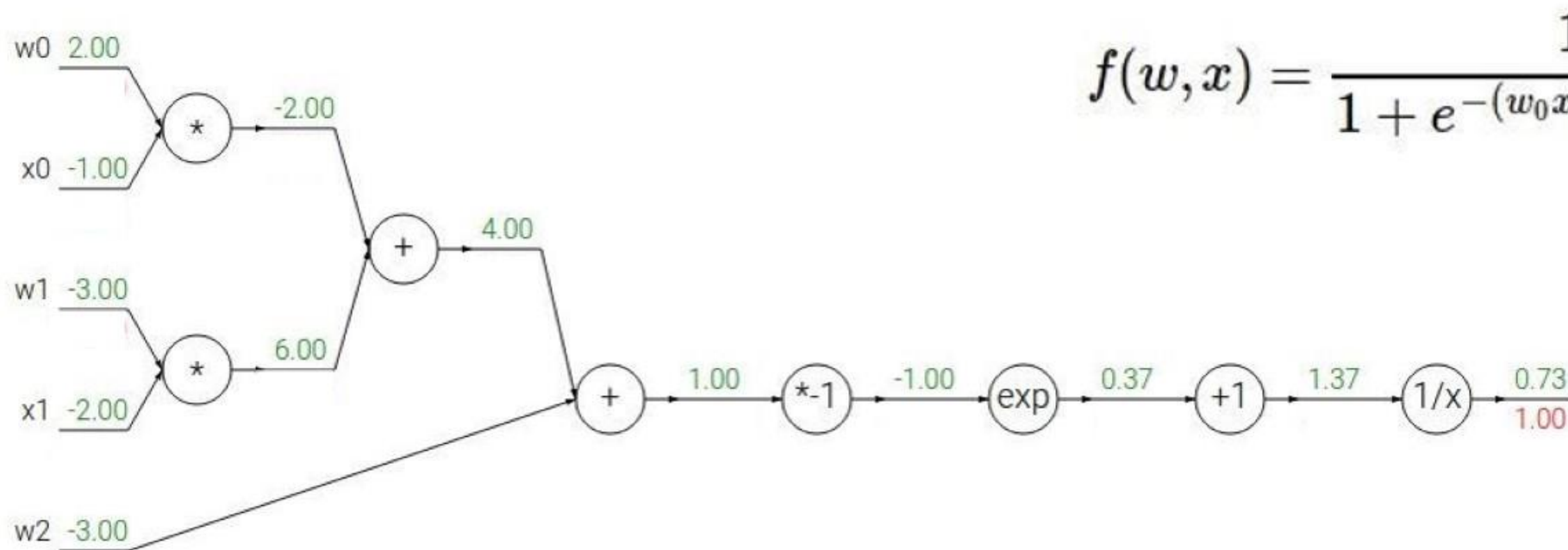
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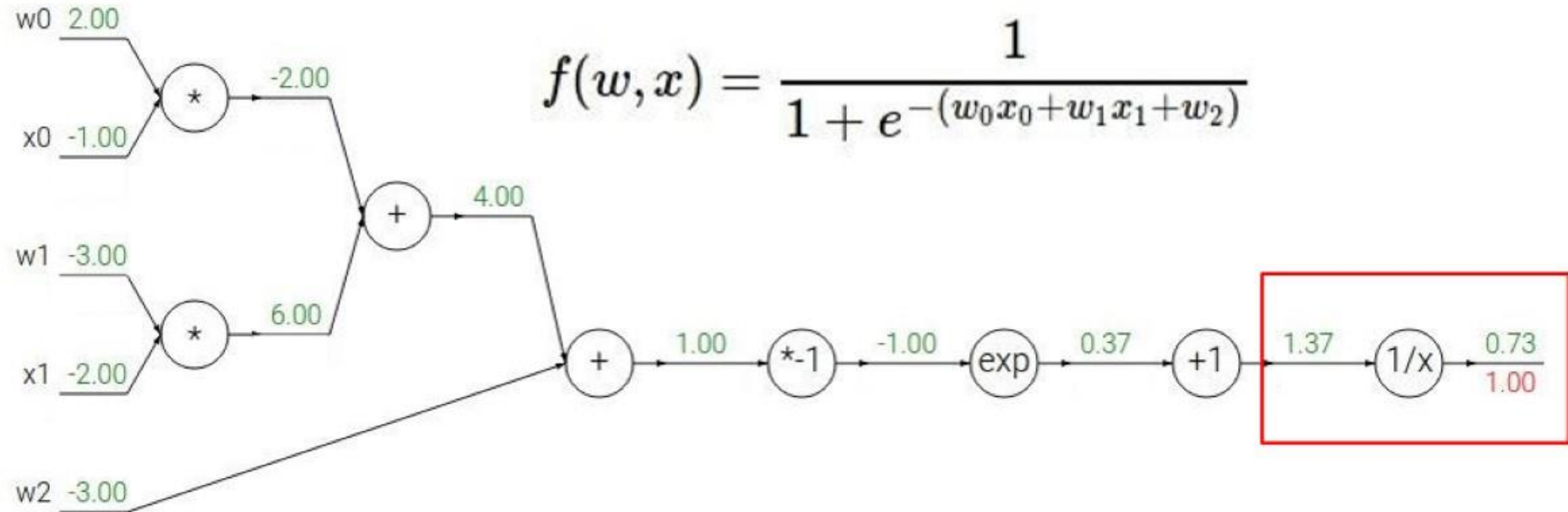
**Forward pass**

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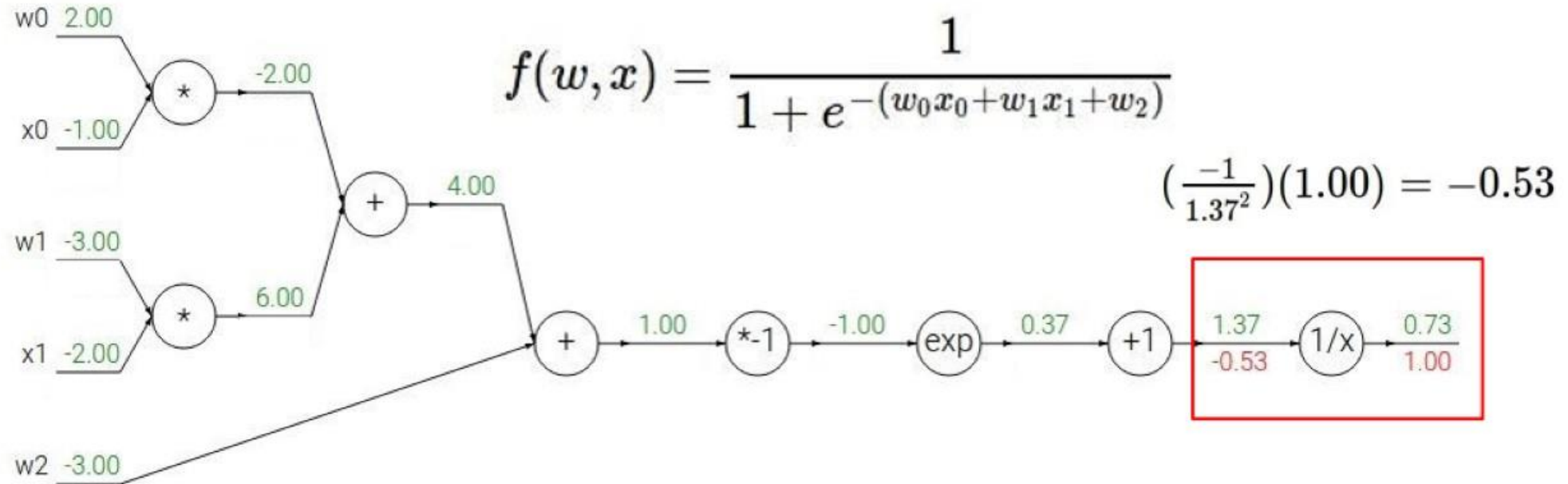
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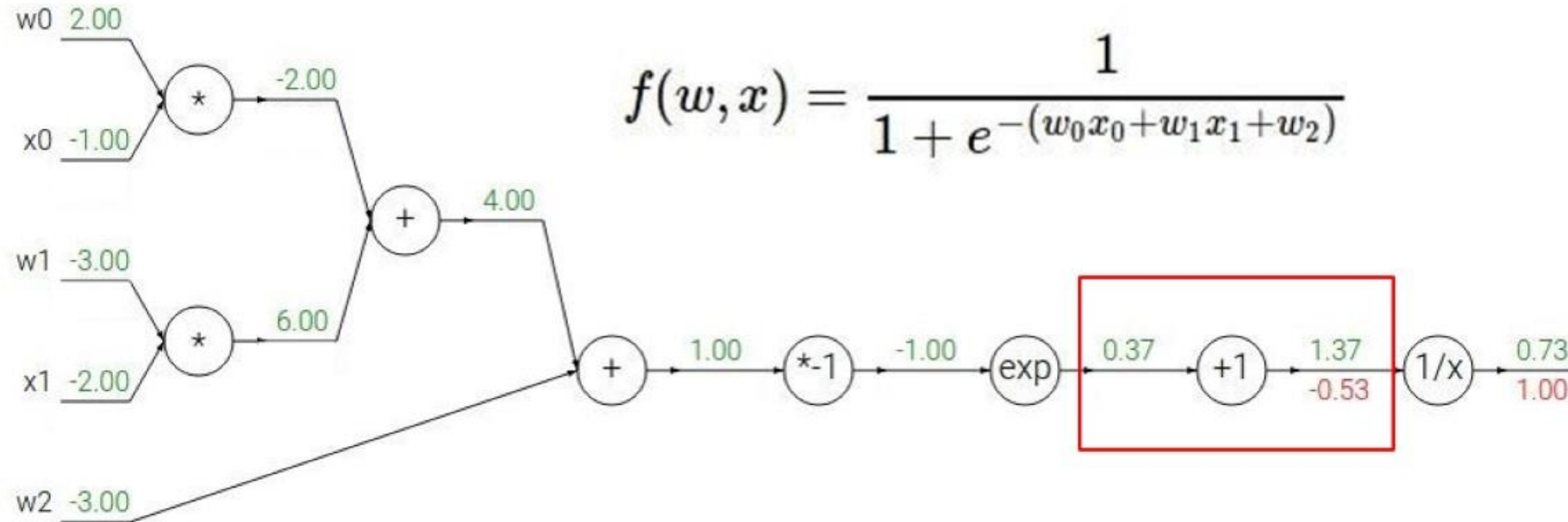
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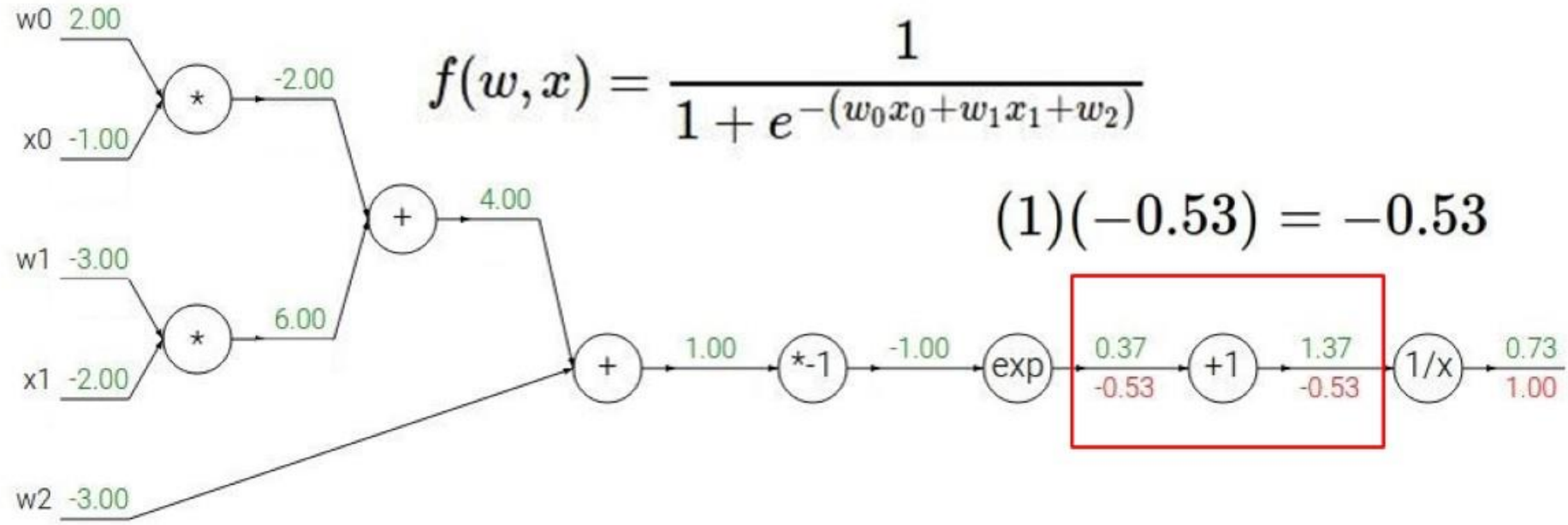
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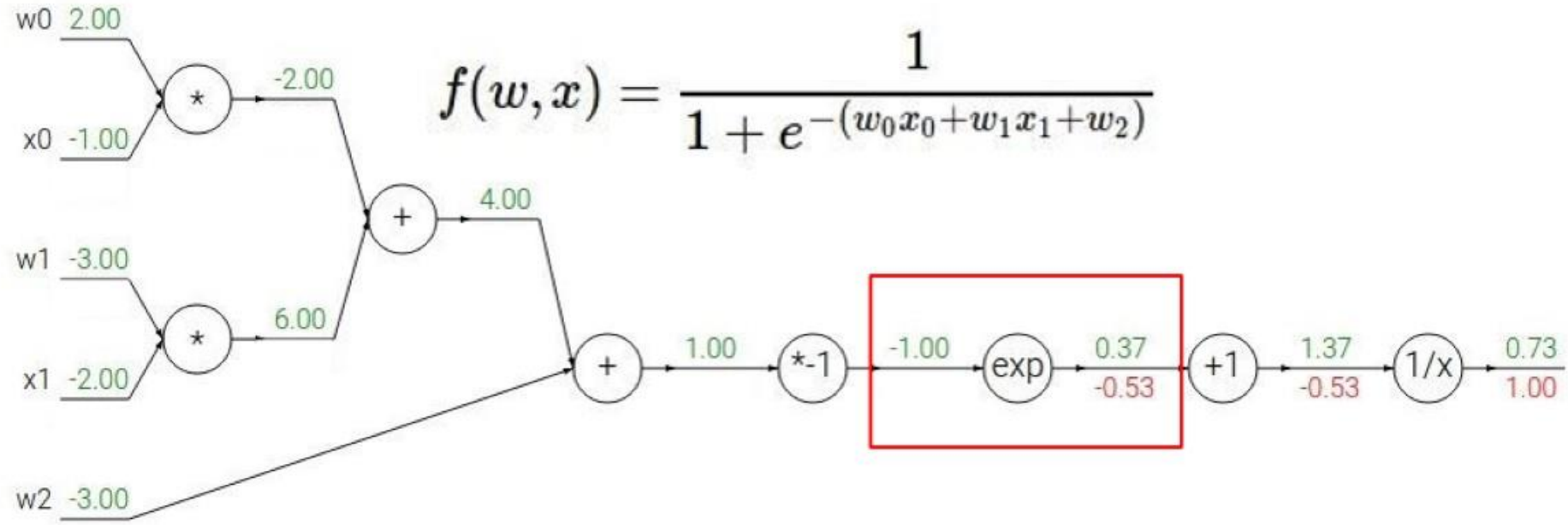
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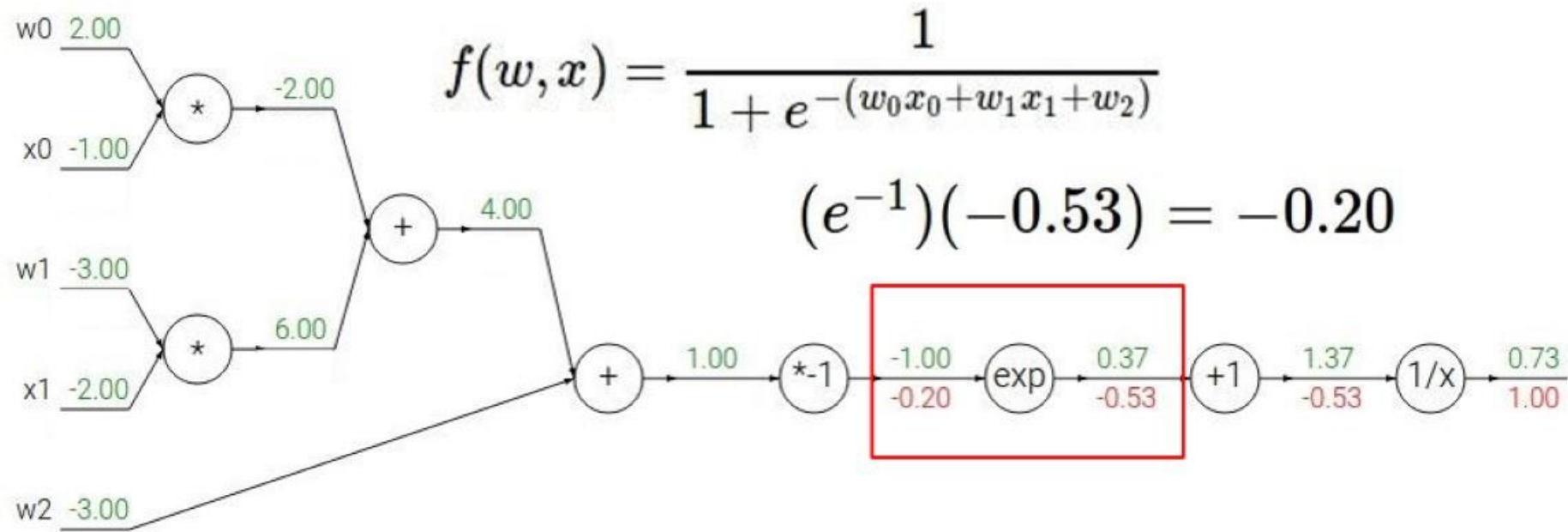
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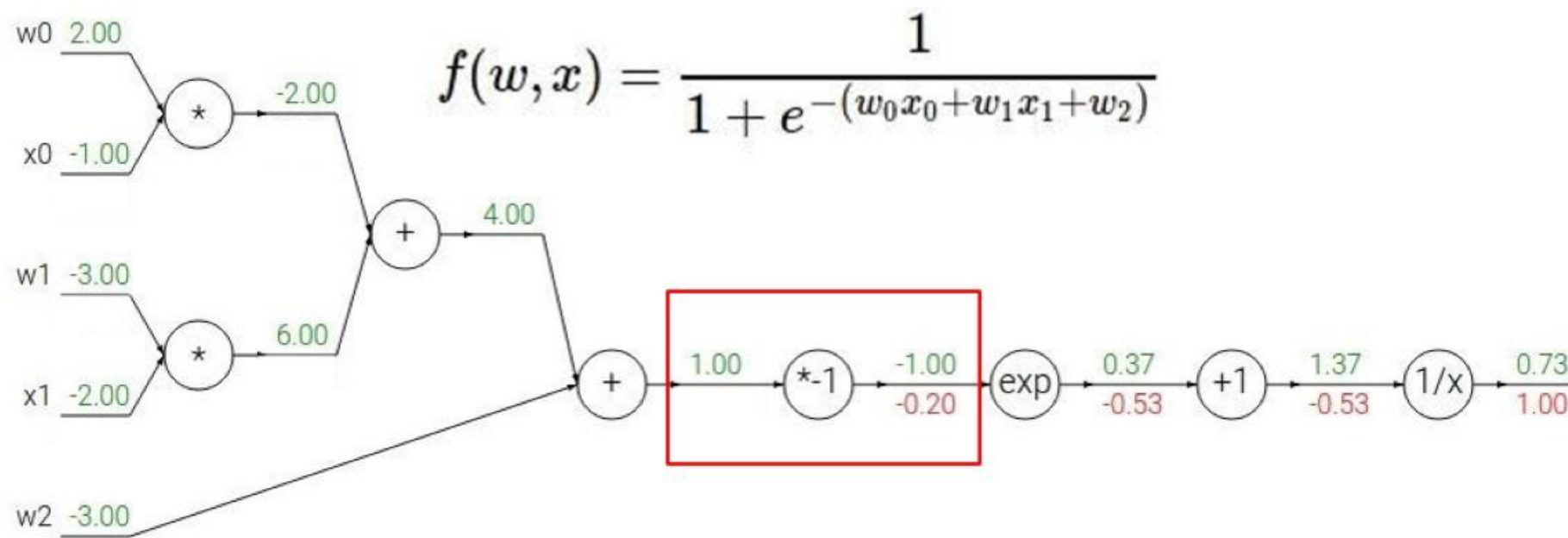
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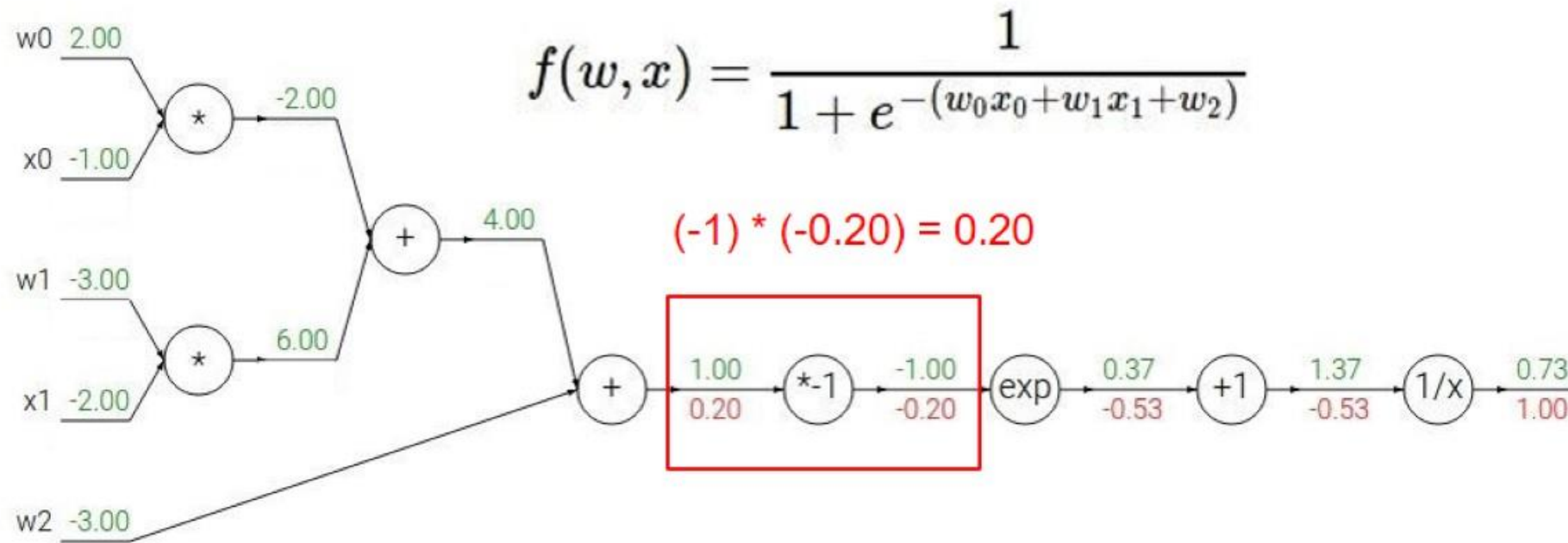
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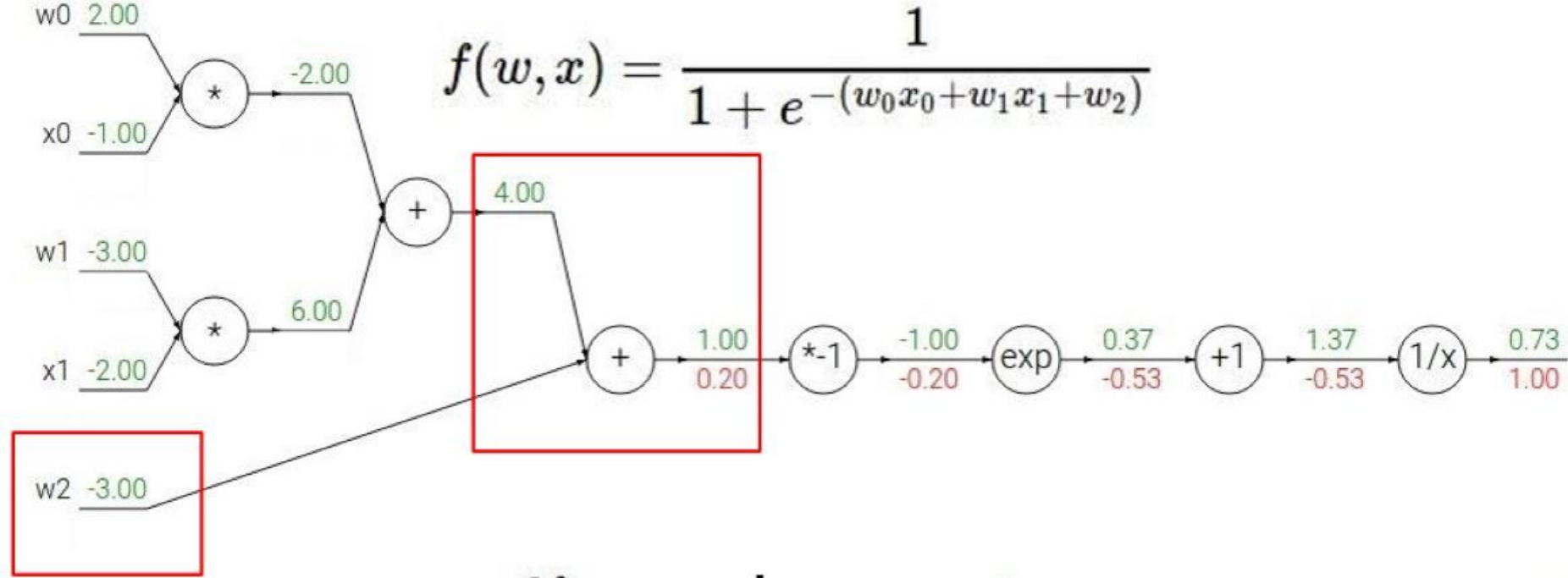
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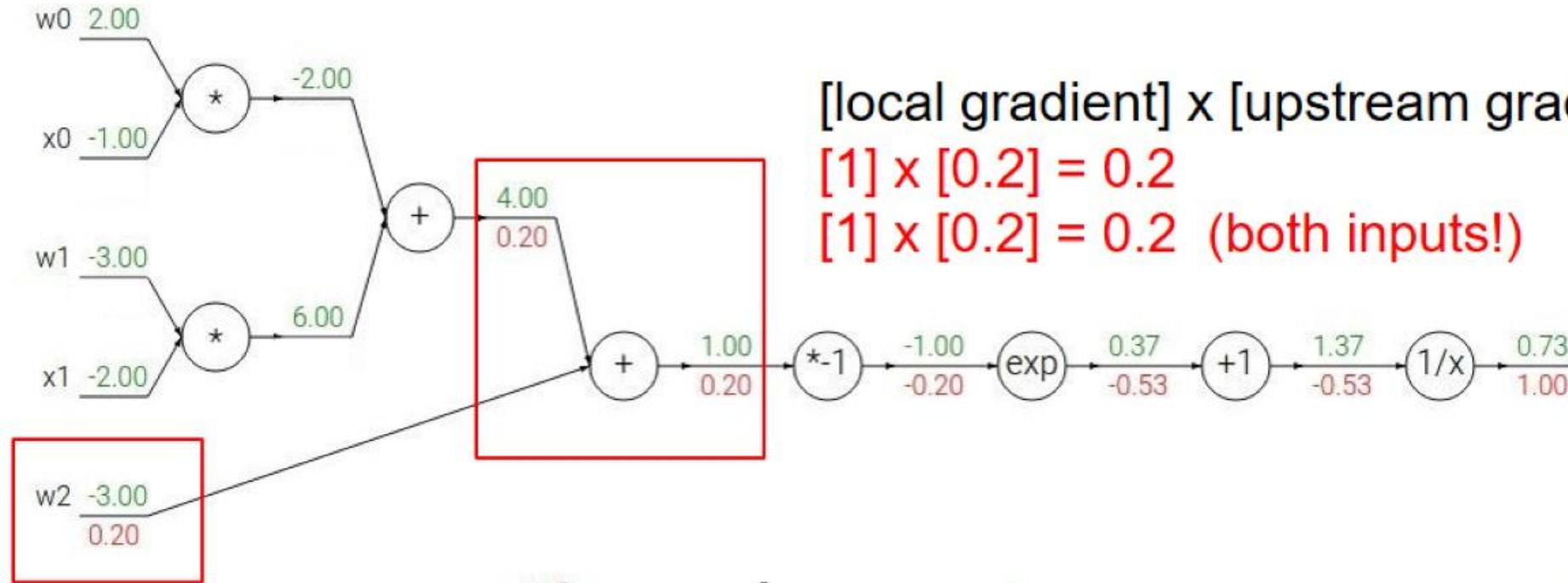
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# Another example:



[local gradient] x [upstream gradient]

$$[1] \times [0.2] = 0.2$$

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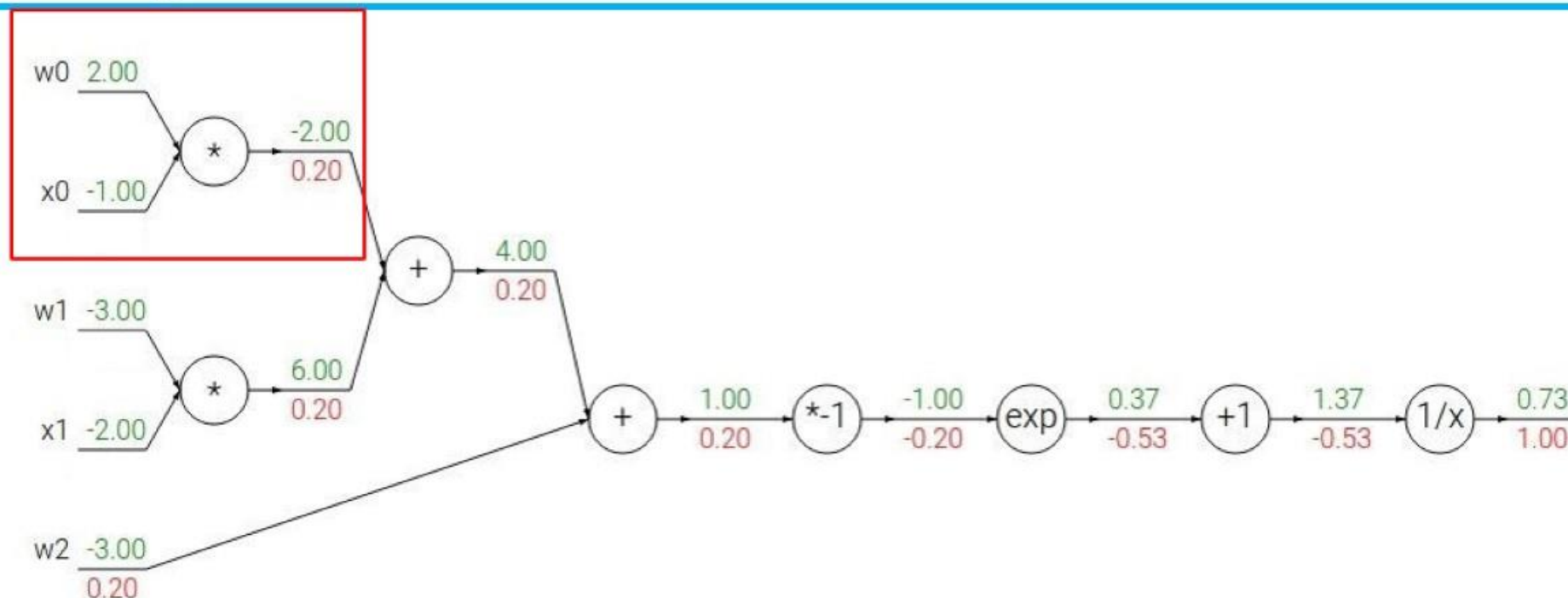
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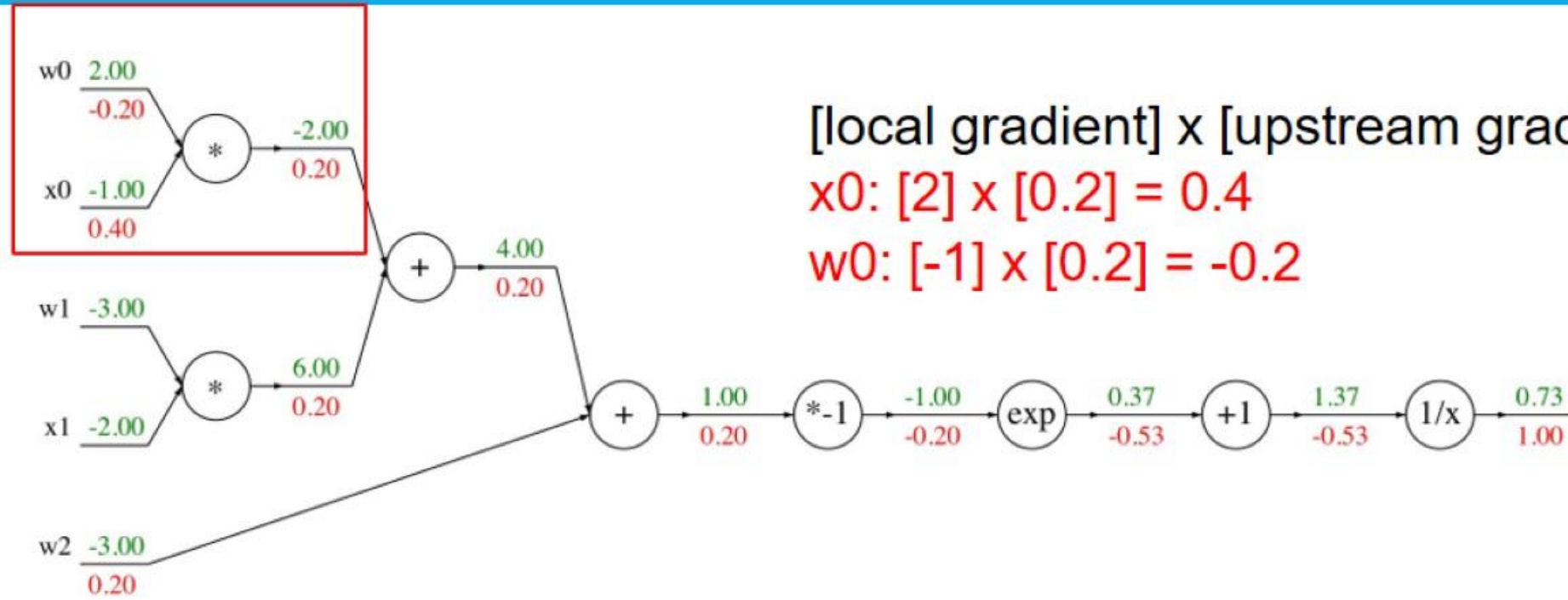
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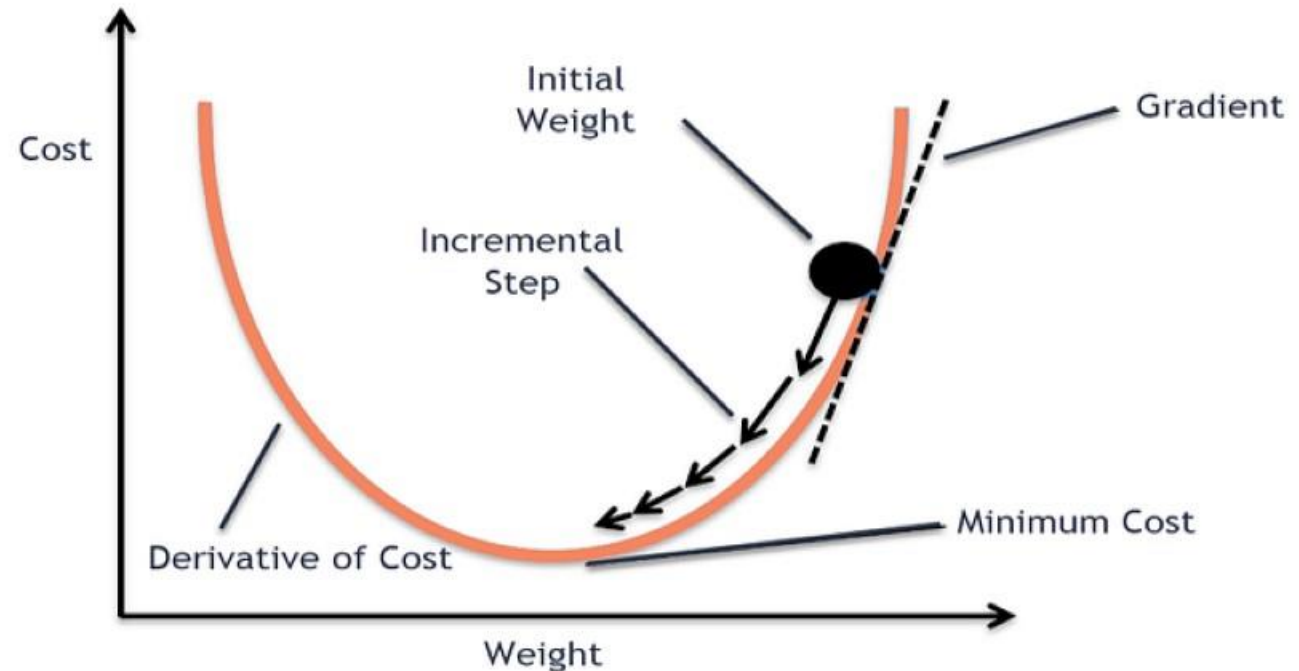
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- Our aim is to get to the bottom of our graph(Cost vs weights)
- **Backpropagation** in neural networks also uses a gradient descent algorithm.

Repeat until convergence {

$$\theta_j \leftarrow \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$$

}



- Advantages:

1. Easy computation.
2. Easy to implement.
3. Easy to understand.

- Disadvantages:

1. May trap at local minima.
2. Weights are changed after calculating gradient on the whole dataset. Requires High Computational Cost.
3. Gradient Vanishing/Exploding
4. Sensitive to Initialization, Learning rate

- It's a variant of Gradient Descent. It tries to update the model's parameters **more frequently**. In this, the model parameters are altered after computation of loss on each training example. So, if the dataset contains 1000 rows SGD will update the model parameters 1000 times in one cycle of dataset instead of one time as in Batch Gradient Descent.

- **Advantages:**

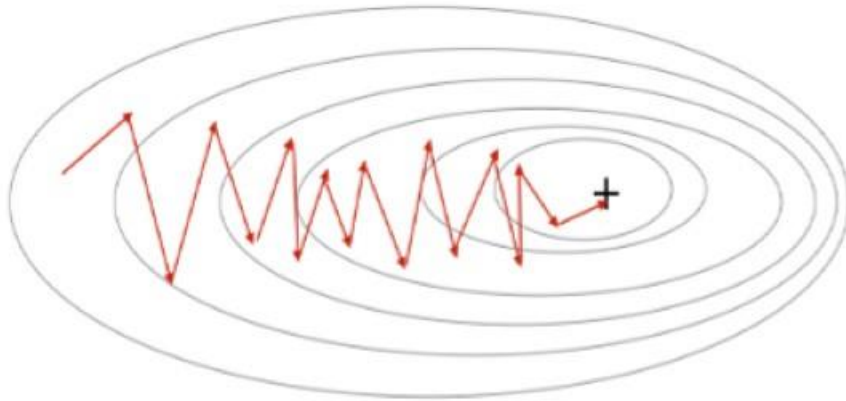
1. Frequent updates of model parameters hence, **converges in less time**.
2. Requires **less memory** as no need to store values of loss functions.
3. May get new **minima's**.

- **Disadvantages:**

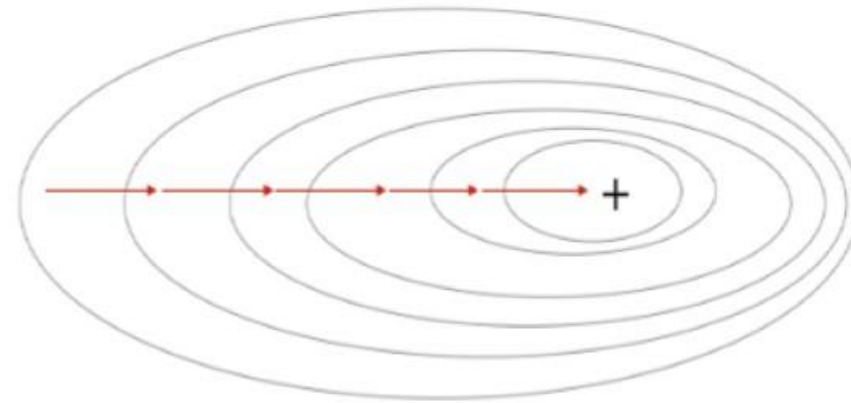
1. **High variance** in model parameters.
2. May shoot even after achieving global minima.
3. **Difficulty Converging**: Due to the noisy gradient estimates, SGD might have difficulties converging to an optimal solution

# GD vs SGD

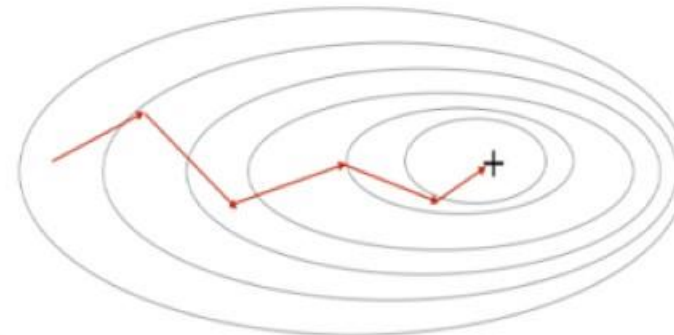
Stochastic Gradient Descent



Gradient Descent



Mini-Batch Gradient Descent



- It updates the model parameters after every batch. So, the dataset is divided into various **batches** and after **every batch**, the parameters are updated.

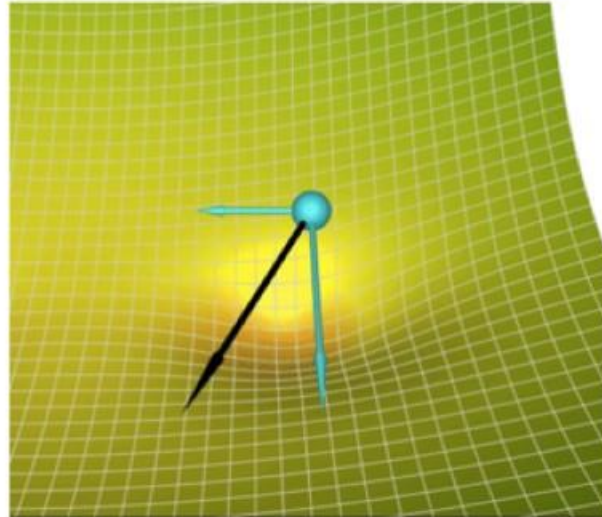
- **Advantages:**

1. Frequently updates the model parameters and also has less variance.
2. Requires medium amount of memory.

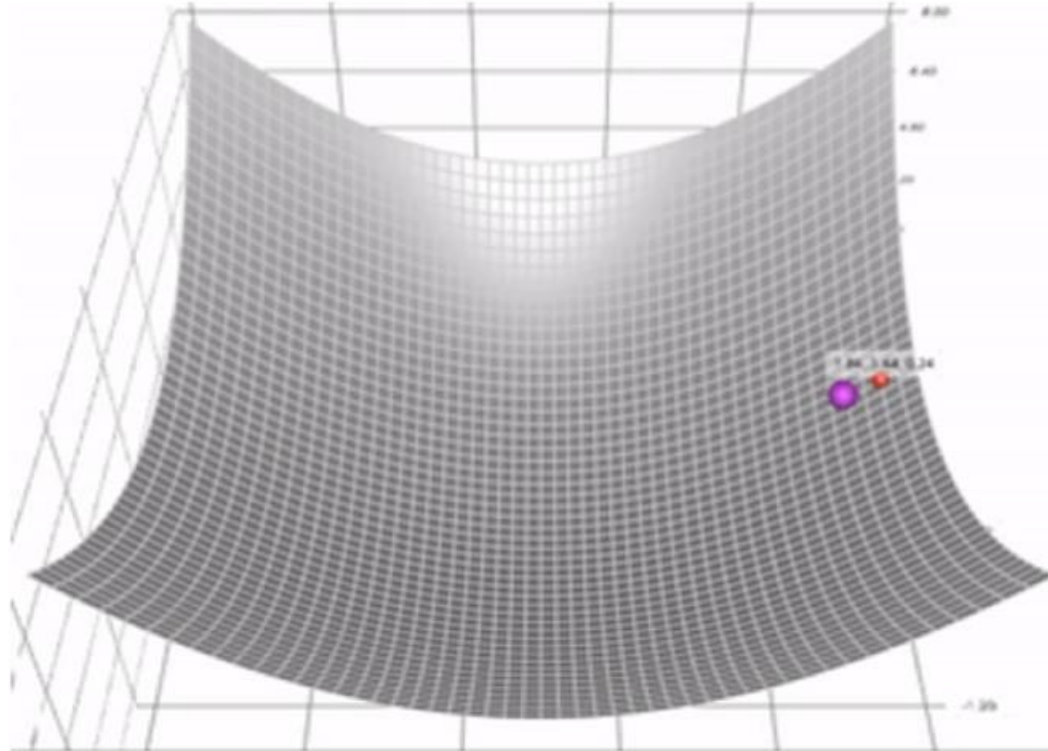
- **Disadvantages:**

1. The update of MB-SGD is much noisy compared to the update of the GD algorithm.
2. Take a longer time to converge than the GD algorithm.
3. May get stuck at local minima.

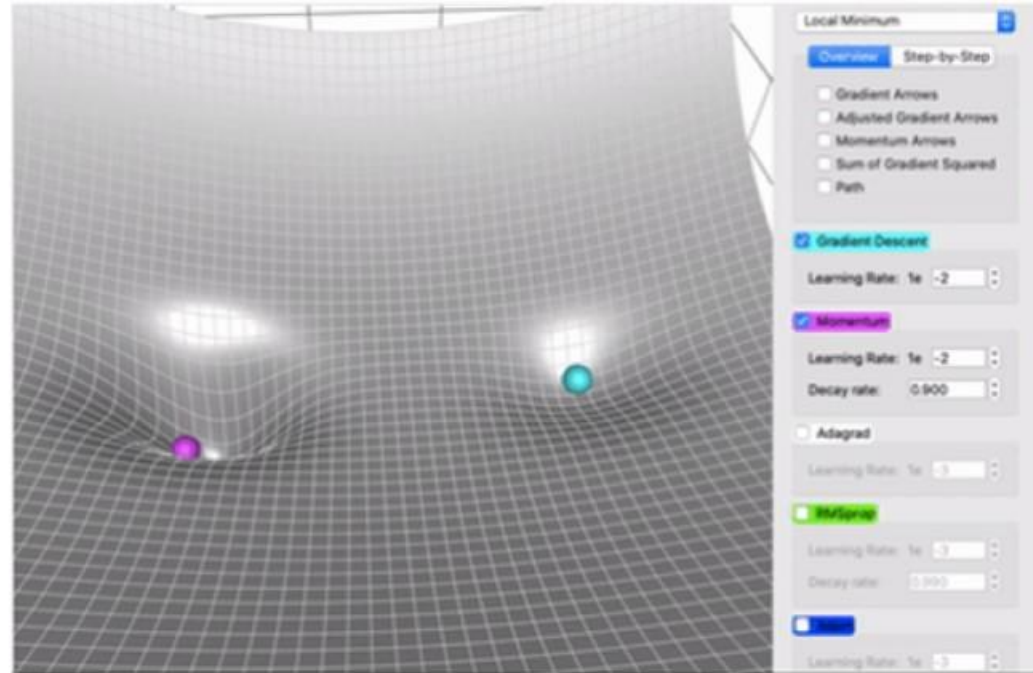
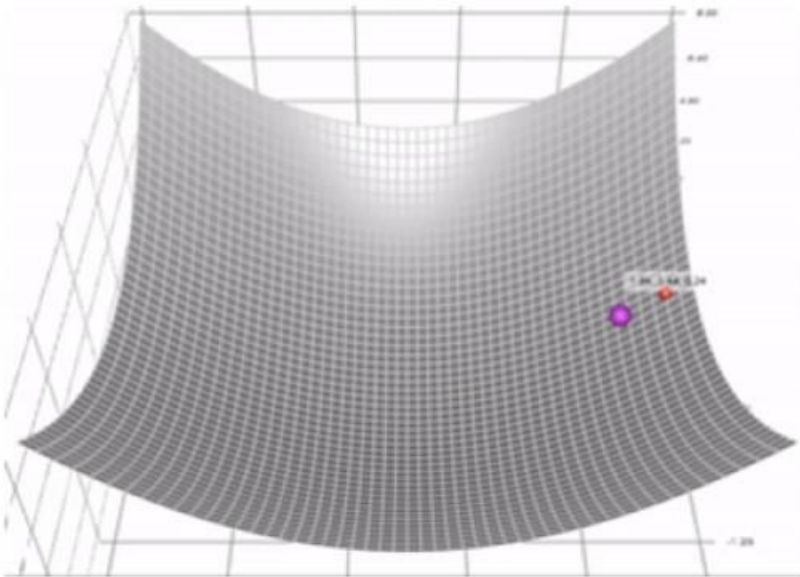
# Vanilla Gradient Descent



- **Momentum** do some additional processing of the gradients to be faster and better.



# Momentum



<https://towardsdatascience.com/a-visual-explanation-of-gradient-descent-methods-momentum-adagrad-rmsprop-adam-f898b102325c>

- Momentum for short borrows the idea from physics. Imagine rolling down a ball inside of a frictionless bowl. Instead of stopping at the bottom, the momentum it has accumulated pushes it forward, and **the ball keeps rolling back and forth.**

## Gradient Descent:

- update step  $\theta$  :
  - $\theta = \theta - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta)$
- Where:
  - $\alpha$  (alpha) is the learning rate.
  - $\nabla J(\theta)$  is the gradient of the loss function  $J$  with respect to the parameter  $\theta$

## Momentum:

$$\theta = \theta - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta)$$

- update step parameter  $\theta$  :

- $v(t) = \mu * v(t-1) - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta)$

$$\theta = \theta + v(t)$$

- Where:

- $\mu$  ( $\mu$ ) is the momentum coefficient, typically a value between 0 and 1.
  - $v(t)$  represents the velocity of the parameter at time step  $t$

## Advantages:

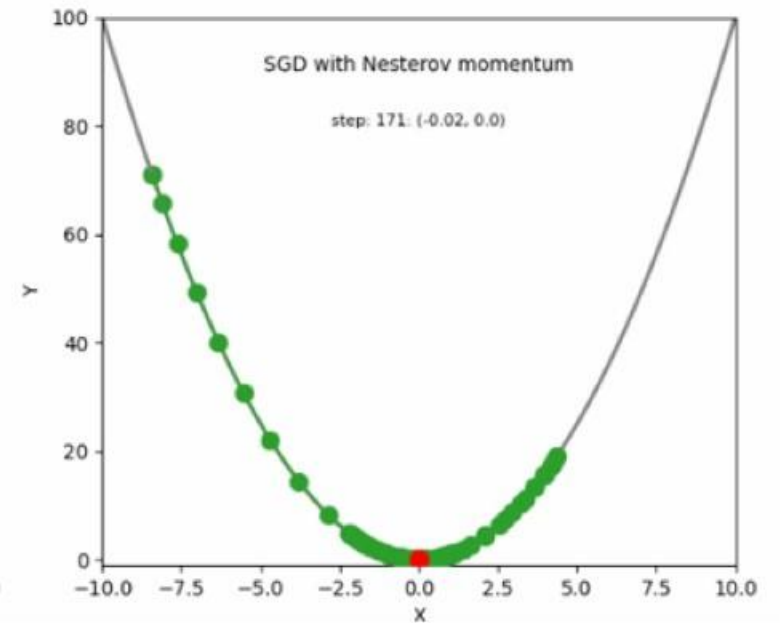
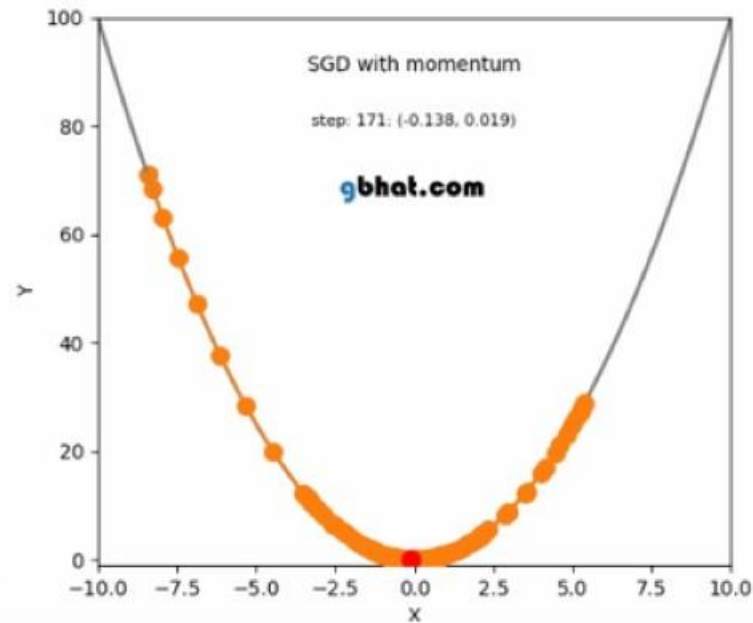
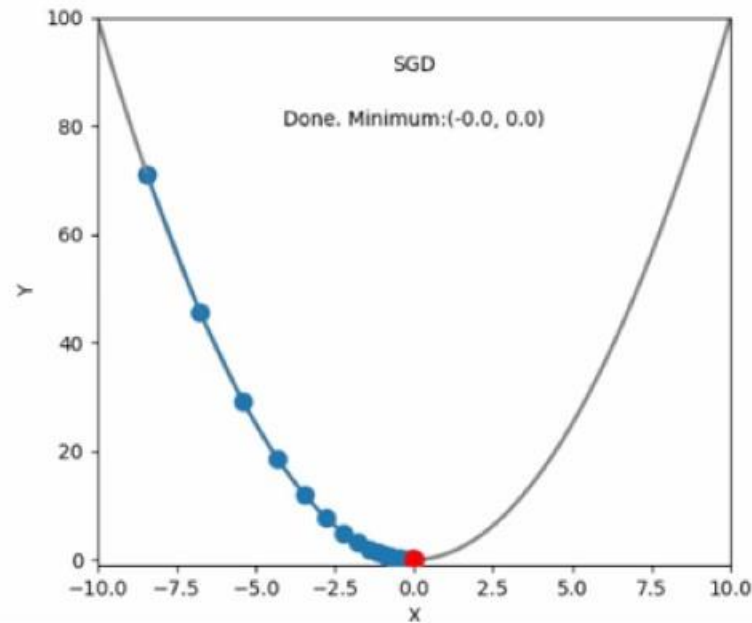
- Converges **faster** than gradient descent. Momentum simply moves faster (because of all the momentum it accumulates)
- Momentum has a shot at escaping local minima (because the momentum may propel it out of a local minimum).

## Disadvantages:

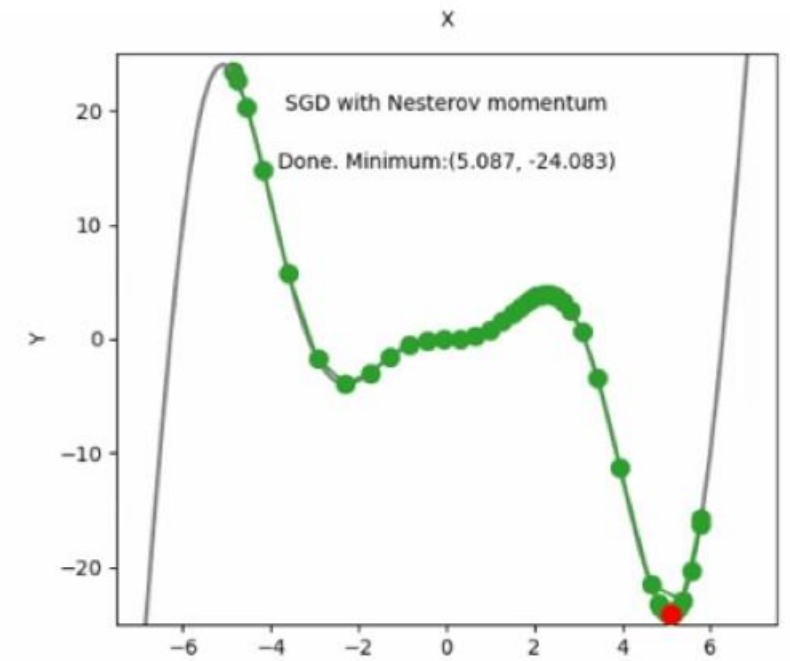
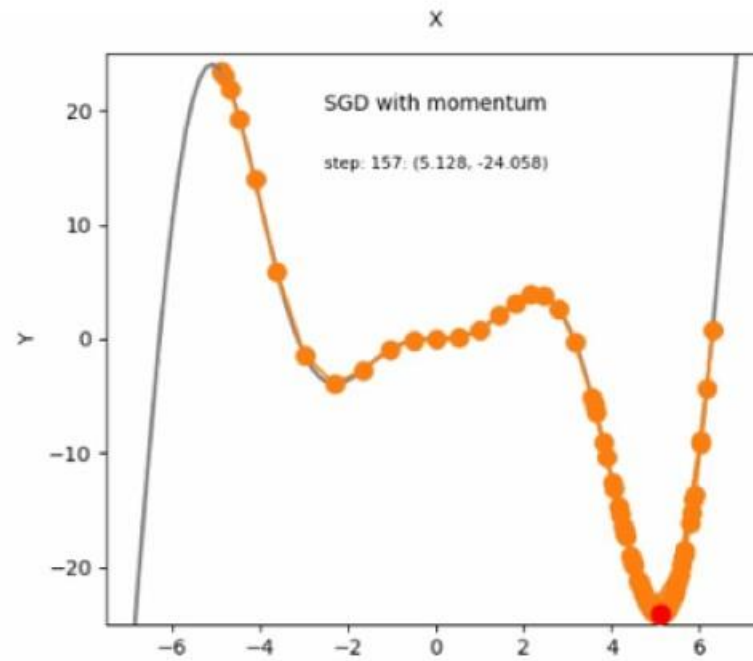
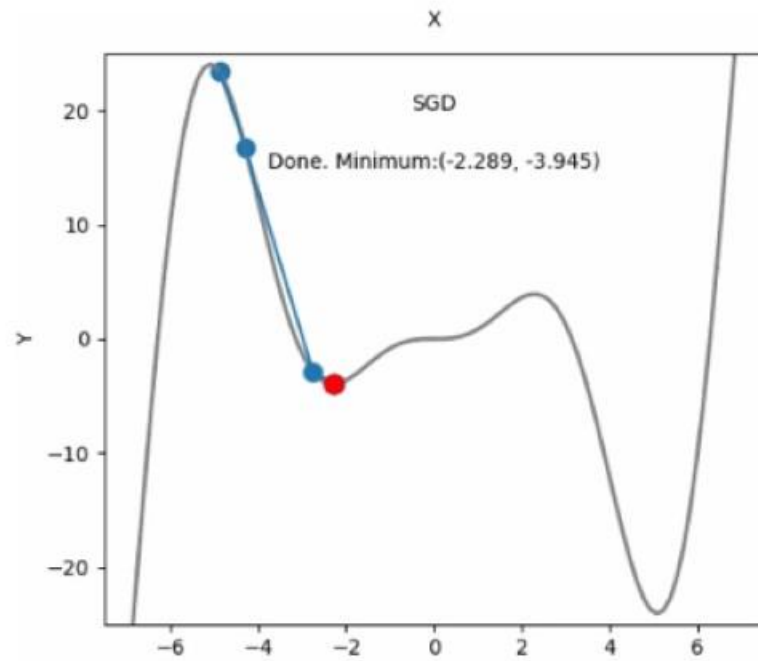
- One more hyper-parameter is added which needs to be selected manually and accurately.
- The momentum term takes values **between 0 and 1** is usually set to **0.9** or a similar value

- In traditional momentum-based optimization, you would calculate the gradient of the hill's slope at your current position and use that information to update the ball's position. However, this approach can sometimes lead to overshooting the bottom of the hill or getting stuck in a local minimum.
- in NAG, Instead of just calculating the gradient at your current position, you take a small step forward in the direction of the momentum before estimating the gradient. You peek into the future to see where the ball might end up if it keeps rolling with the current momentum.

# SGD vs Momentum vs NAG



# SGD vs Momentum vs NAG



NAG: It updates the parameters based on the estimated gradient at the previous position

- $$v(t) = \mu * v(t-1) - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta - \mu * v(t-1))$$
$$\theta = \theta + v(t)$$

$$\theta = \theta - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta)$$

- Where:

$$v(t) = \mu * v(t-1) - \alpha * \nabla J(\theta)$$

- $\alpha$  (alpha) is the learning rate.
- $\nabla J(\theta - \mu * v(t-1))$  is the gradient of the loss function  $J$  with respect to the shifted parameter  $\theta - \mu * v(t-1)$ .
- $\mu$  (mu) is the momentum coefficient, typically a value between 0 and 1. ( $\mu$ ) controls the influence of the past gradient
- $v(t)$  represents the velocity of the parameter at time step  $t$ .

- Advantages:
  1. Does not miss the local minima.
  2. Slows if minima's are occurring.
- Disadvantages:
  1. the hyperparameter needs to be selected manually.

# Adagrad (Adaptive Gradient Descent)

- The adaptive gradient descent algorithm uses different learning rates for each iteration. adapts the learning rate for each parameter based on the historical sum of squared gradients?

$$G(t) = G(t-1) + (\nabla J(\theta))^2$$

$$\theta = \theta - (\alpha / (\sqrt{G(t) + \epsilon})) * \nabla J(\theta)$$

Where:

- -  $G(t)$  represents the accumulated squared gradients for each parameter at time step  $t$ .
- -  $\alpha$  (alpha) is the learning rate.
- -  $\nabla J(\theta)$  is the gradient of the loss function  $J$  with respect to the parameter  $\theta$ .
- -  $\epsilon$  (epsilon) is a small constant for numerical stability.

- The problem of AdaGrad, however, is that it is incredibly slow. This is because the *sum of gradient squared* only grows and never shrinks. RMSProp (for **Root Mean Square Propagation**) fixes this issue by adding a decay factor.

$$G(t) = \beta * G(t-1) + (1 - \beta) * (\nabla J(\theta))^2$$

$$\theta = \theta - (\alpha / (\sqrt{G(t) + \epsilon})) * \nabla J(\theta)$$

Where:

- $G(t)$  represents the exponentially decaying average of squared gradients for each parameter at time step  $t$ .
- $\alpha$  (alpha) is the learning rate.
- $\nabla J(\theta)$  is the gradient of the loss function  $J$  with respect to the parameter  $\theta$ .
- $\beta$  (beta) is the decay rate.
- $\epsilon$  (epsilon) is a small constant for numerical stability.

- Adam combines the concepts of **momentum** and **RMSprop** to provide **adaptive learning rates** as well as **momentum-based updates**.

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```
1 model.compile(optimizer="",
2               loss=tf.keras.losses.SparseCategoricalCrossentropy(from_logits=True),
3               metrics=['accuracy'])
4 model.fit(train_images, train_labels, epochs=5)
5 test_loss, test_acc = model.evaluate(test_images, test_labels, verbose=2)
6
7 print('\nTest accuracy:', test_acc)
```

```
Epoch 1/5
1875/1875 [=====] - 7s 3ms/step - loss: 0.2096 - accuracy: 0.9265
Epoch 2/5
1875/1875 [=====] - 11s 6ms/step - loss: 0.1940 - accuracy: 0.9304
Epoch 3/5
1875/1875 [=====] - 6s 3ms/step - loss: 0.1905 - accuracy: 0.9315
Epoch 4/5
```



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# LAB 2: Hyperparameters tuning in Keras

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## Overview

The Keras Tuner is a library that helps you pick the optimal set of hyperparameters for your TensorFlow program. The process of selecting the right set of hyperparameters for your machine learning application is called *hyperparameter tuning* or *hypertuning*.

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