



# Multilayer Networks

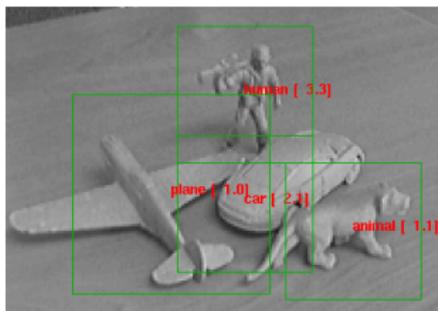
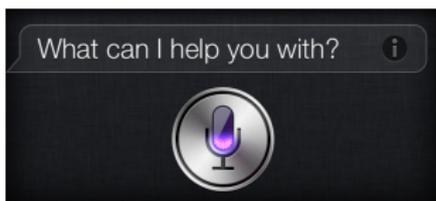
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INTRODUCTION

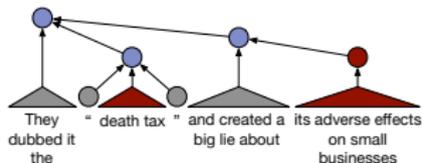
## Deep Learning was once known as “Neural Networks”



## But it came back ...



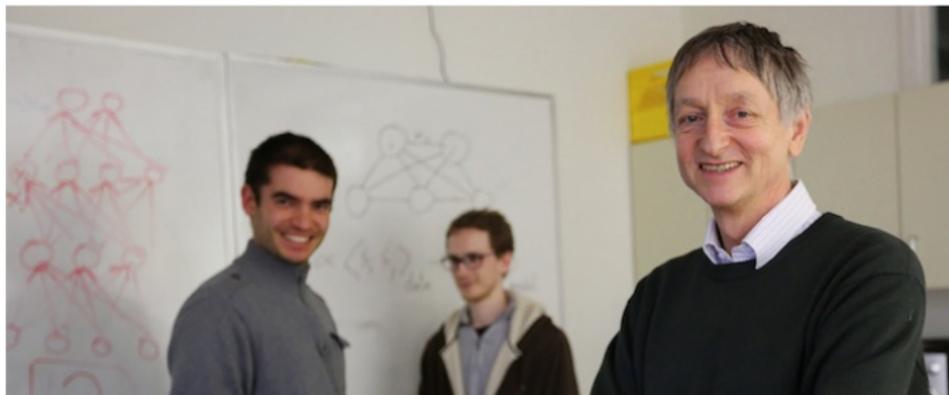
- More data
- Better tricks (regularization)
- Faster computers



## And companies are investing ...

### Google Hires Brains that Helped Supercharge Machine Learning

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### 'Chinese Google' Opens Artificial-Intelligence Lab in Silicon Valley

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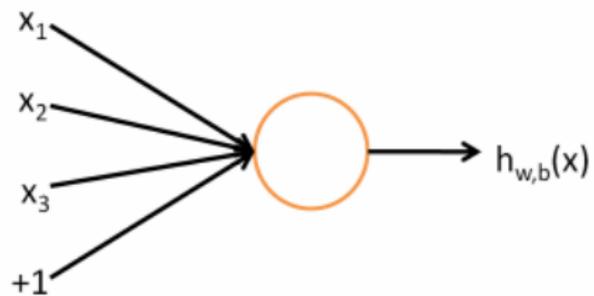
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### Facebook's 'Deep Learning' Guru Reveals the Future of AI

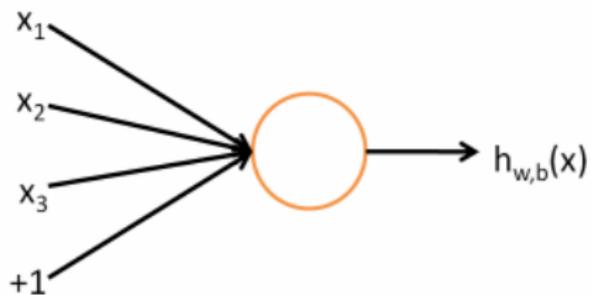
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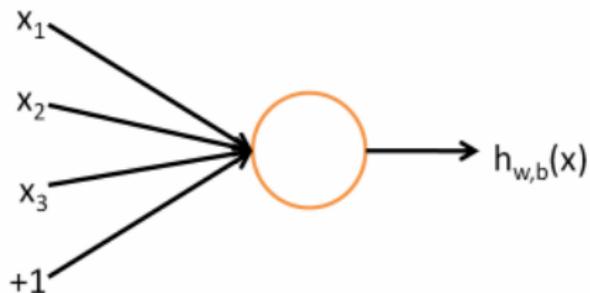


### Input

Vector  $x_1 \dots x_d$

inputs encoded as  
real numbers

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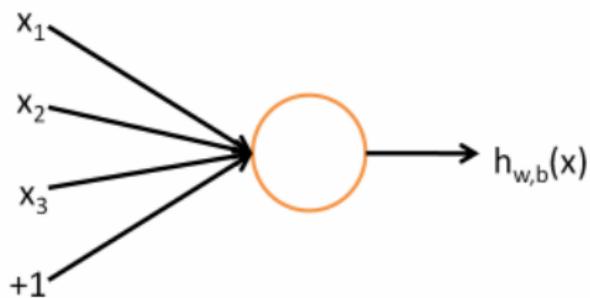
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Output

$$f\left(\sum_i W_i x_i + b\right)$$

multiply inputs by

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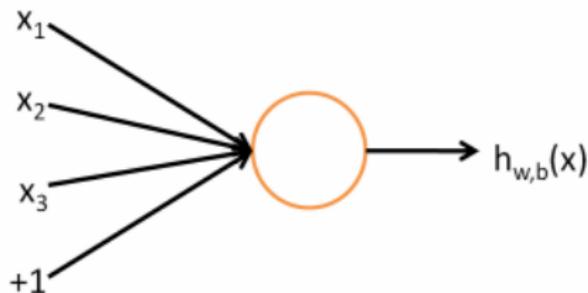
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### Output

$$f\left(\sum_i W_i x_i + b\right)$$

add bias

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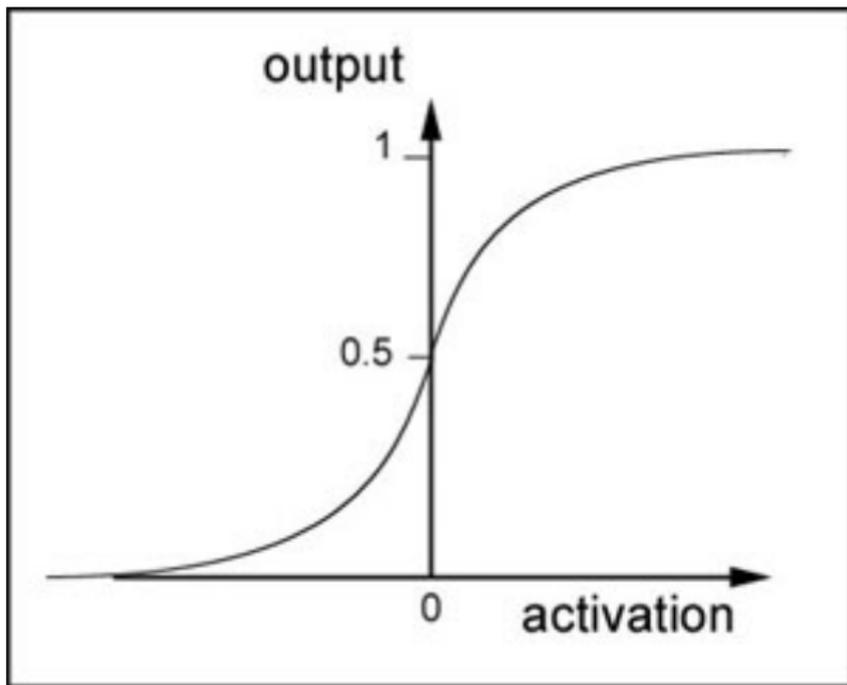
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### Activation

$$f(z) \equiv \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$$

pass through  
nonlinear sigmoid

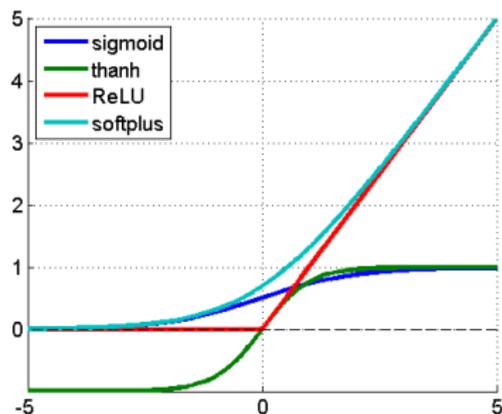
## Why is it called activation?



## In the shallow end

- This is still logistic regression
- Engineering features  $x$  is difficult (and requires expertise)
- Can we learn how to represent inputs into final decision?

## Better name: non-linearity



- Logistic / Sigmoid

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \quad (1)$$

- tanh

$$f(x) = \tanh(x) = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-2x}} - 1 \quad (2)$$

- ReLU

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ x & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

- SoftPlus:  $f(x) = \ln(1 + e^x)$

## But it is not perfect

- Compare against baselines: randomized features, nearest-neighbors, linear models
- Optimization is hard (alchemy)
- Models are often not interpretable
- Requires specialized hardware and tons of data to scale