

Lecture 18

Linear classifiers and backpropagation

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- Due May 23th, Today

A5 is out

- Due May 30th

Exam

- Mon, Jun 3 10:30 – 12:20 PM
- Same room as lecture: G20

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Recitation this friday

- Exam preparation
- Jieyu Zhang

Today's agenda

- Perceptron
- Linear classifier
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1950s Age of the Perceptron

1957 The Perceptron (Rosenblatt)

1969 Perceptrons (Minsky, Papert)

1980s Age of the Neural Network

1986 Back propagation (Hinton)

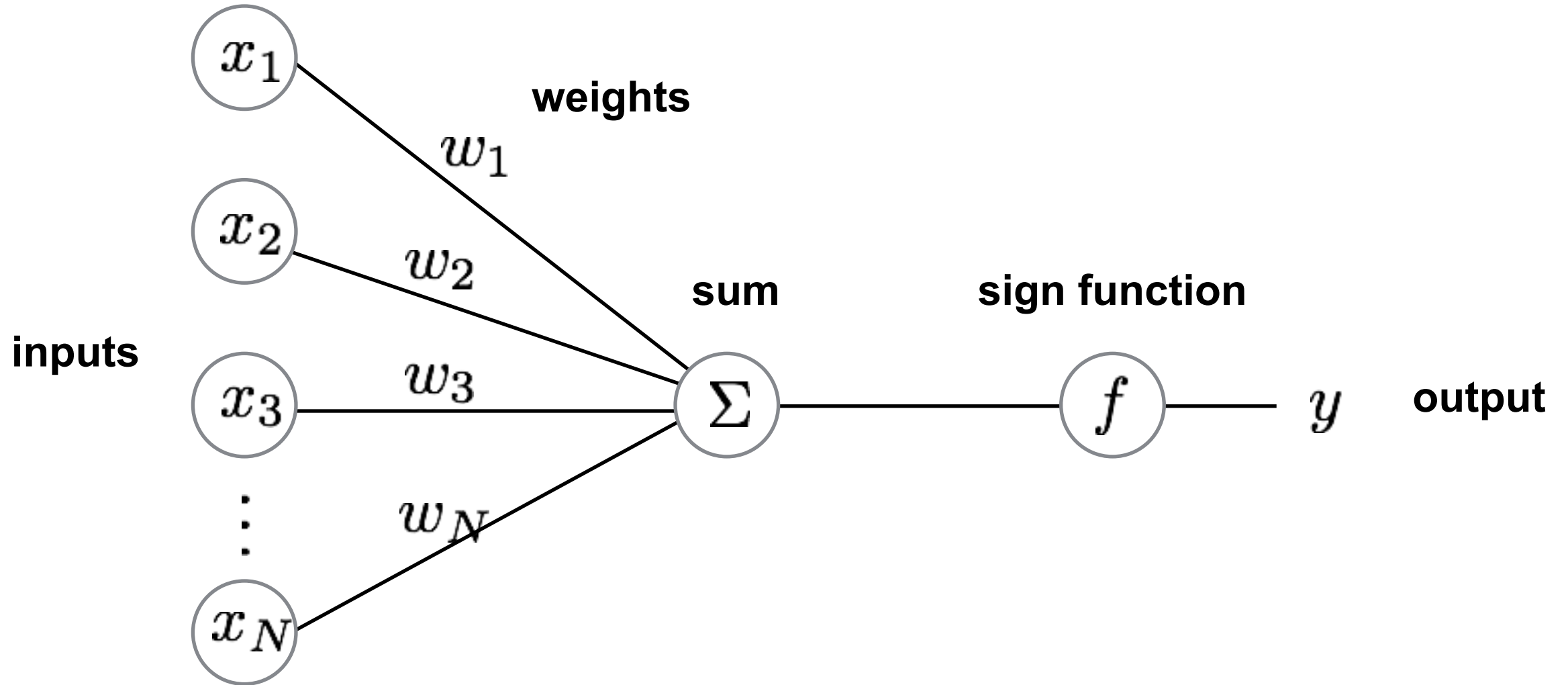
1990s Age of the Graphical Model

2000s Age of the Support Vector Machine

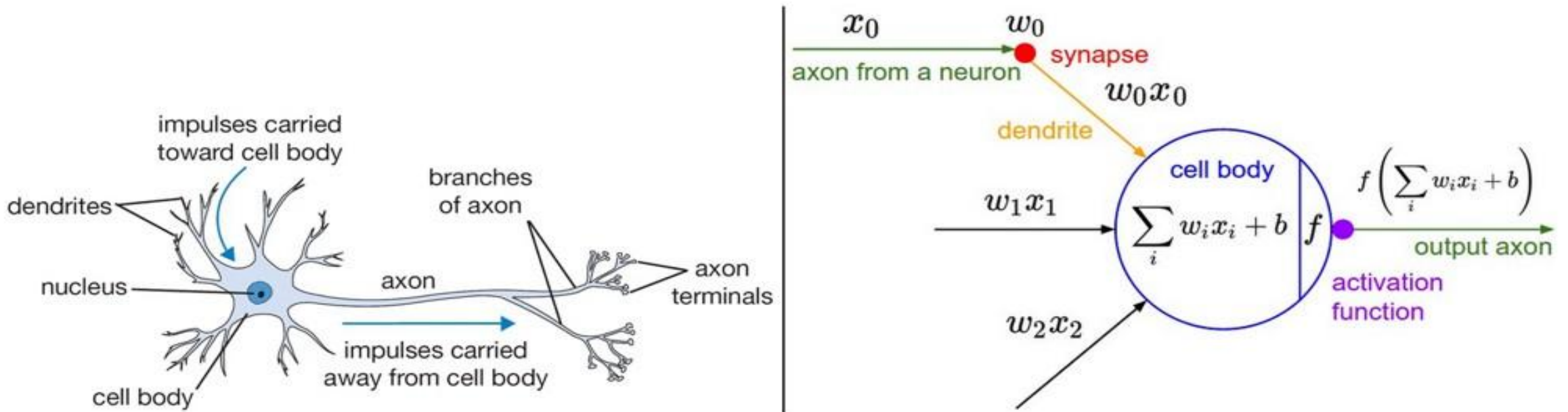
2010s Age of the Deep Network

deep learning = known algorithms + computing power + big data

Perceptron



Aside: Inspiration from Biology

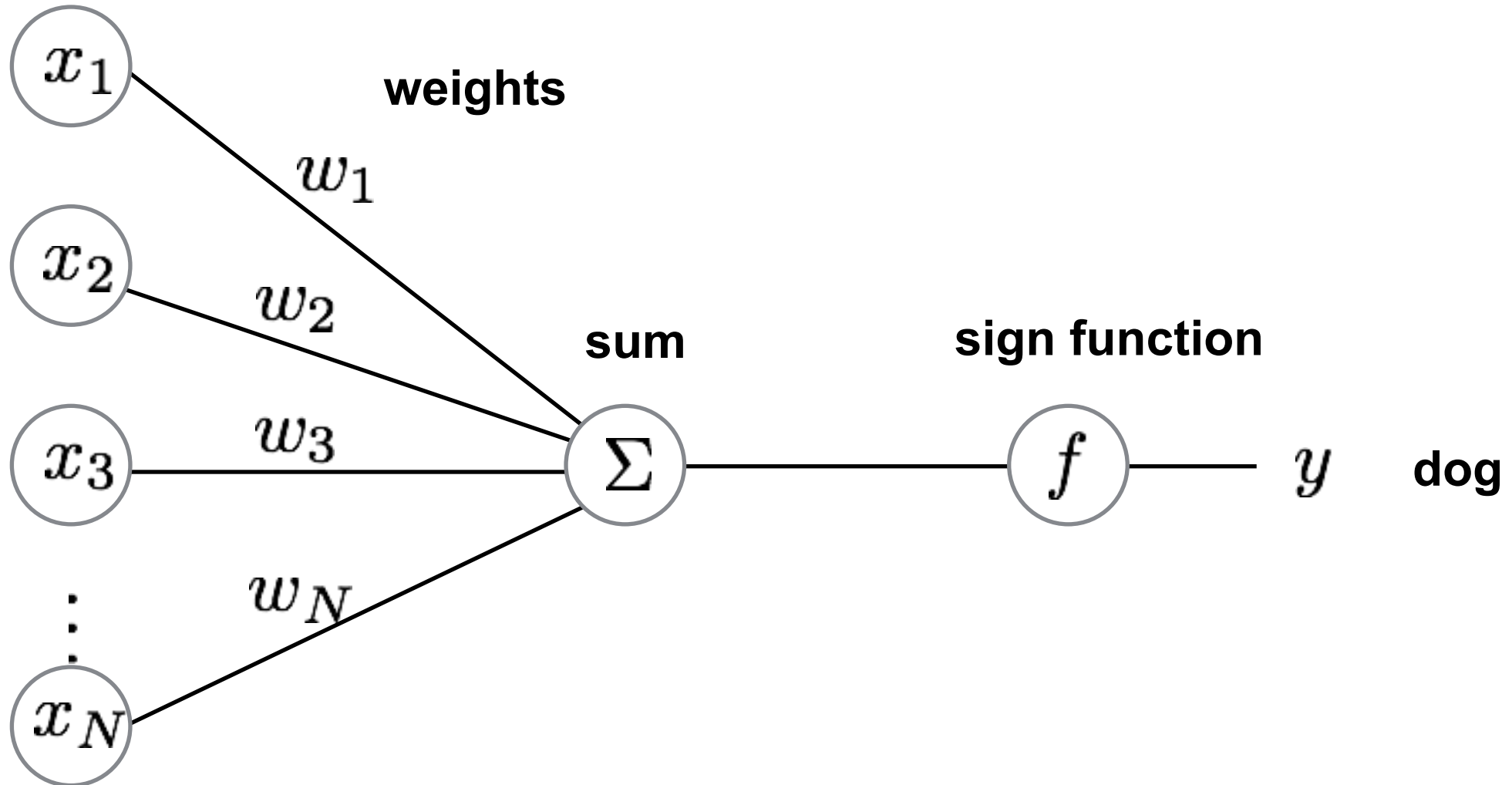
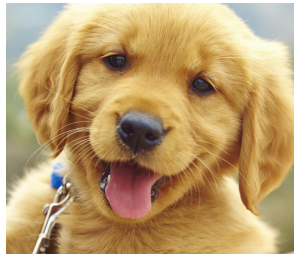


A cartoon drawing of a biological neuron (left) and its mathematical model (right).

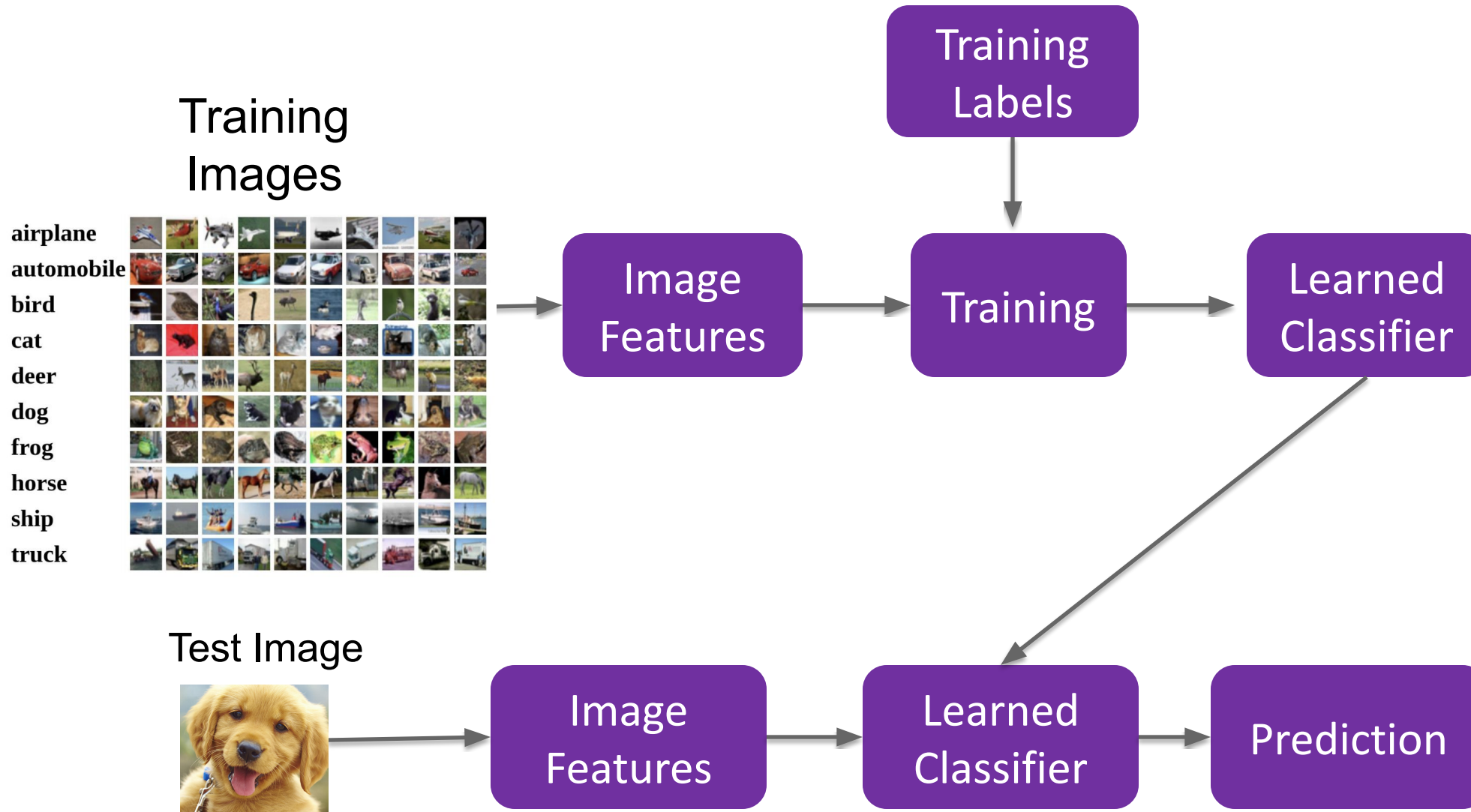
Neural nets/perceptrons are loosely inspired by biology.

But they are NOT how the brain works, or even how neurons work.

Perceptron: for image classification



Let's revisit our simple recognition pipeline to explain where perceptrons fit in



Remember we can featurize images into a vector



Raw pixels
Raw pixels + (x,y)
PCA
LDA
BoW
BoW + spatial pyramids

Image
Vector



Recall: we can featurize images into a vector

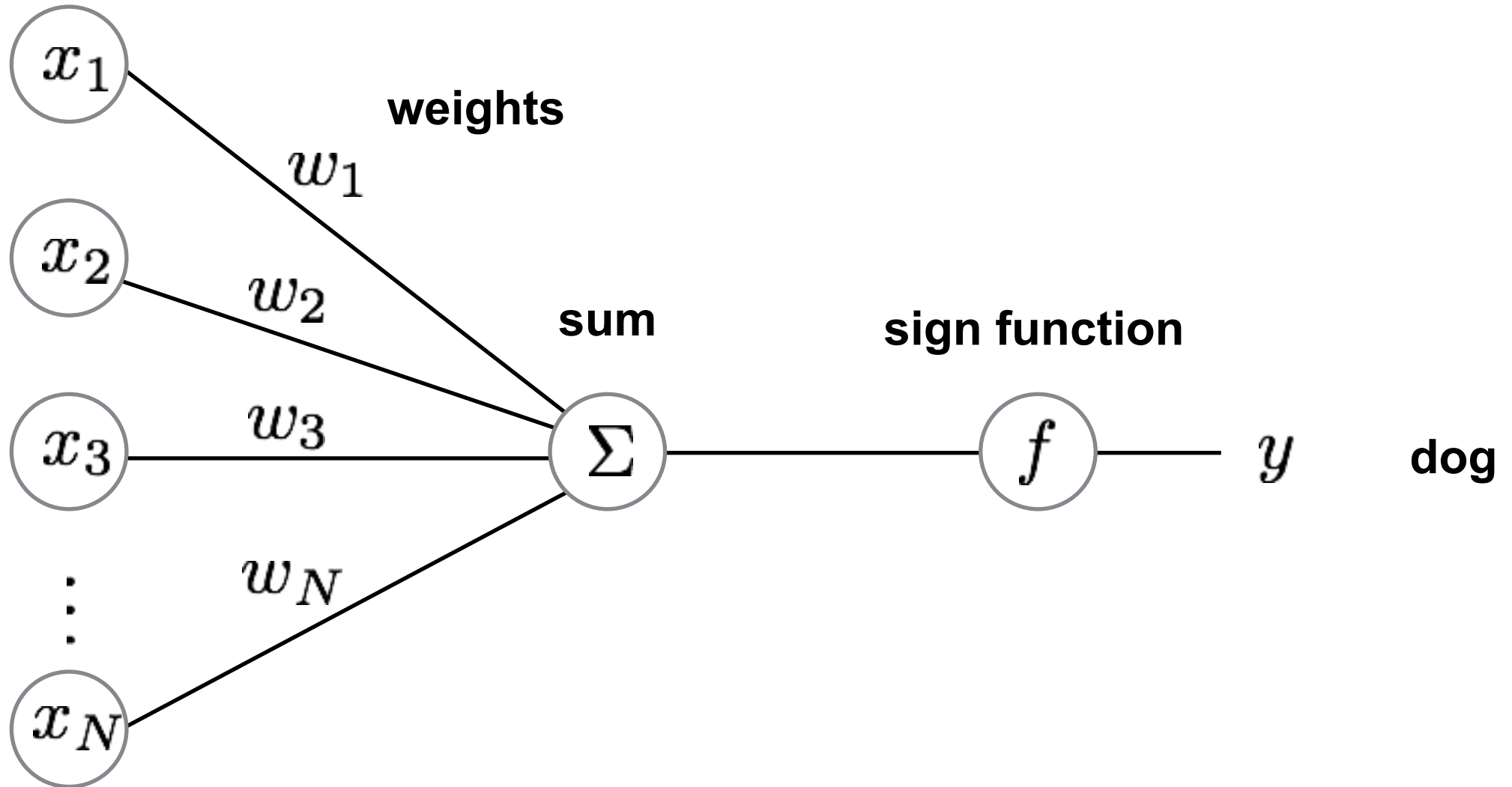
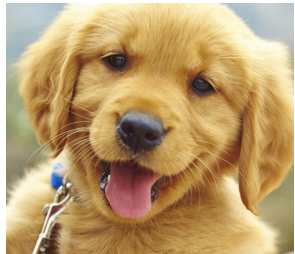


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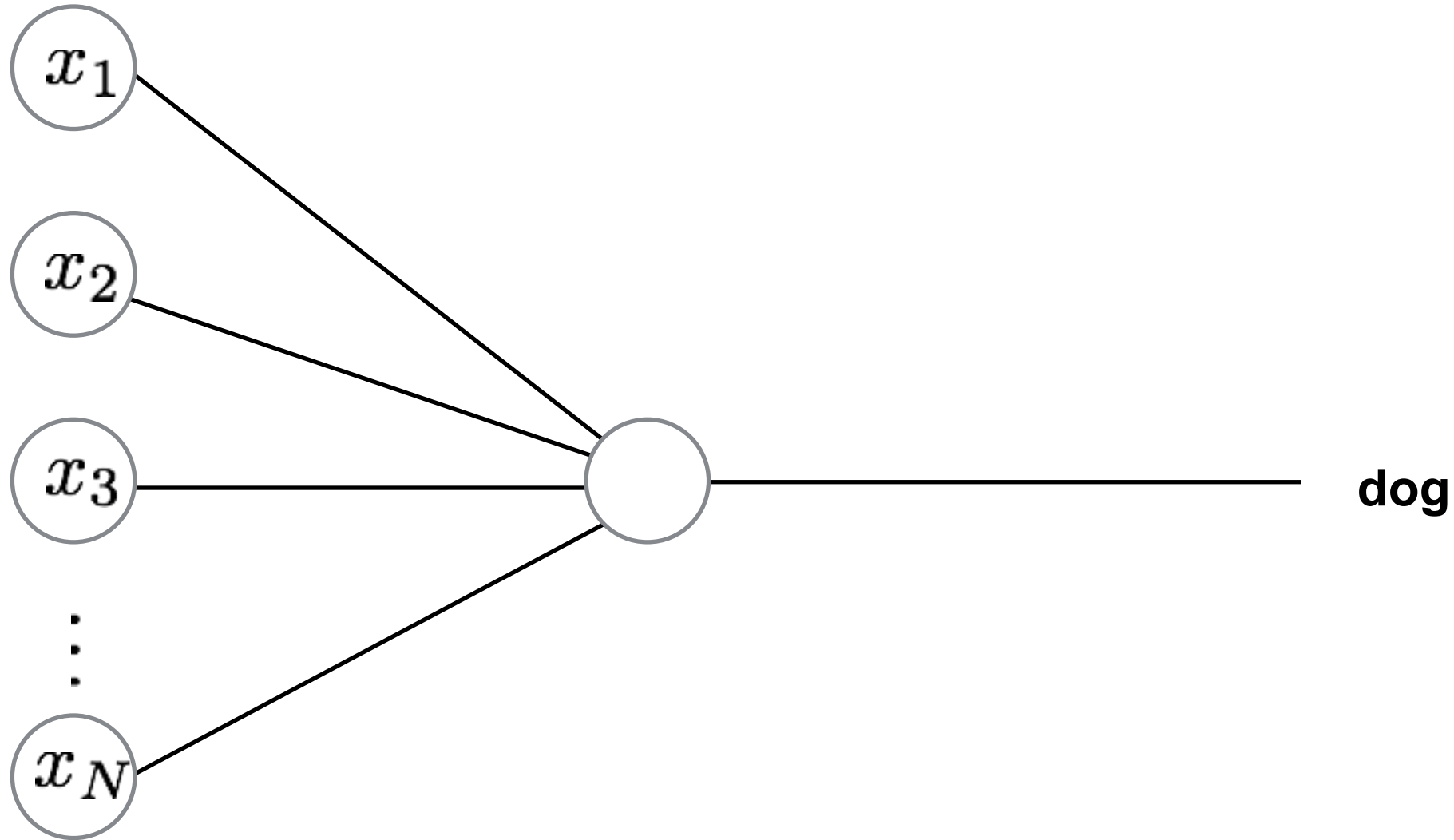
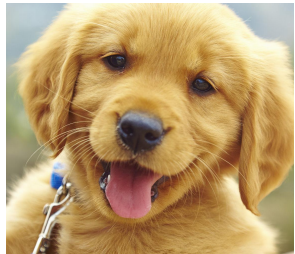
Image
Vector

x_1
 x_2
 x_3
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...
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...
 x_n

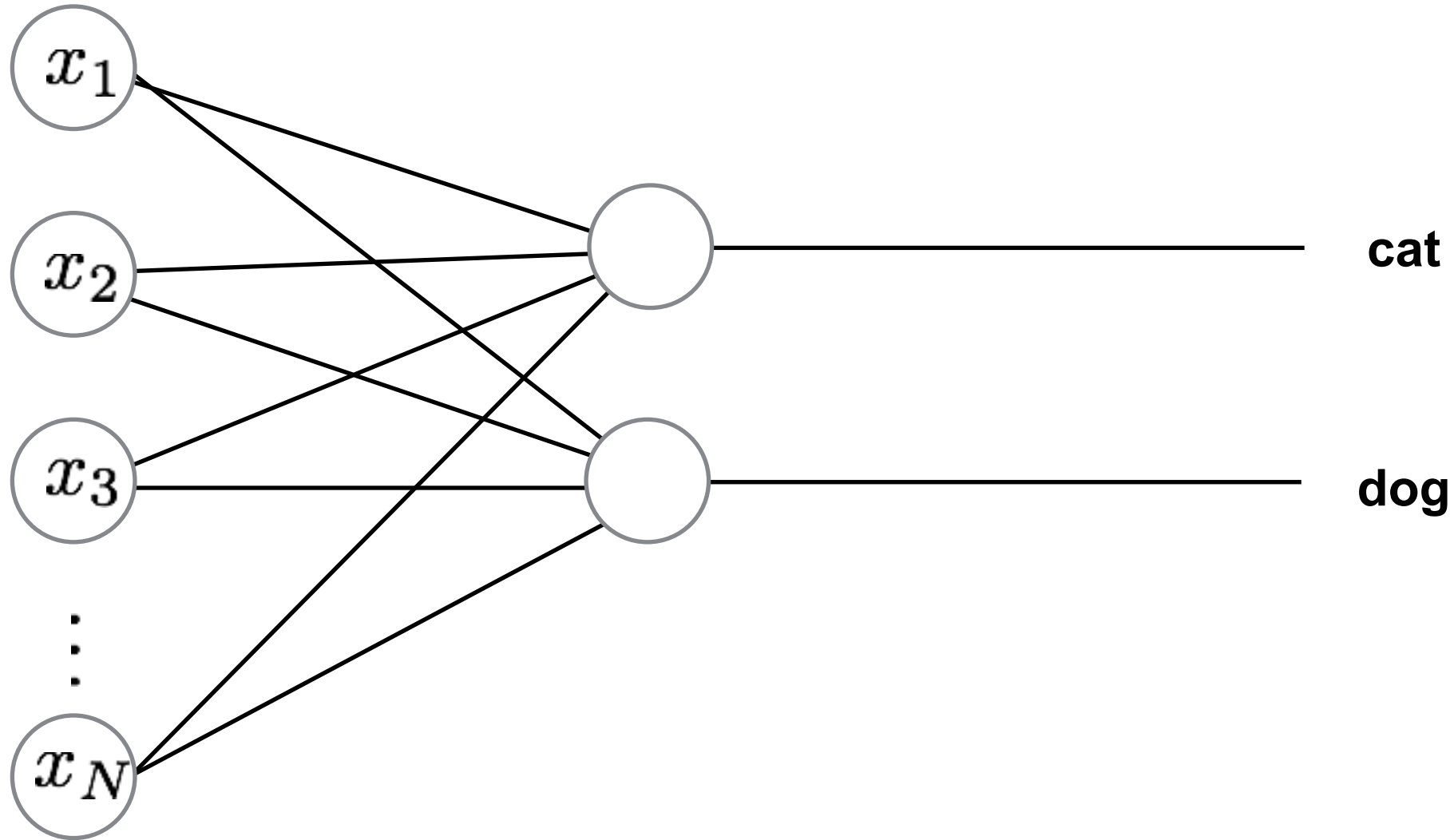
Perceptrons are a simple transformation that converts feature vectors into recognition scores



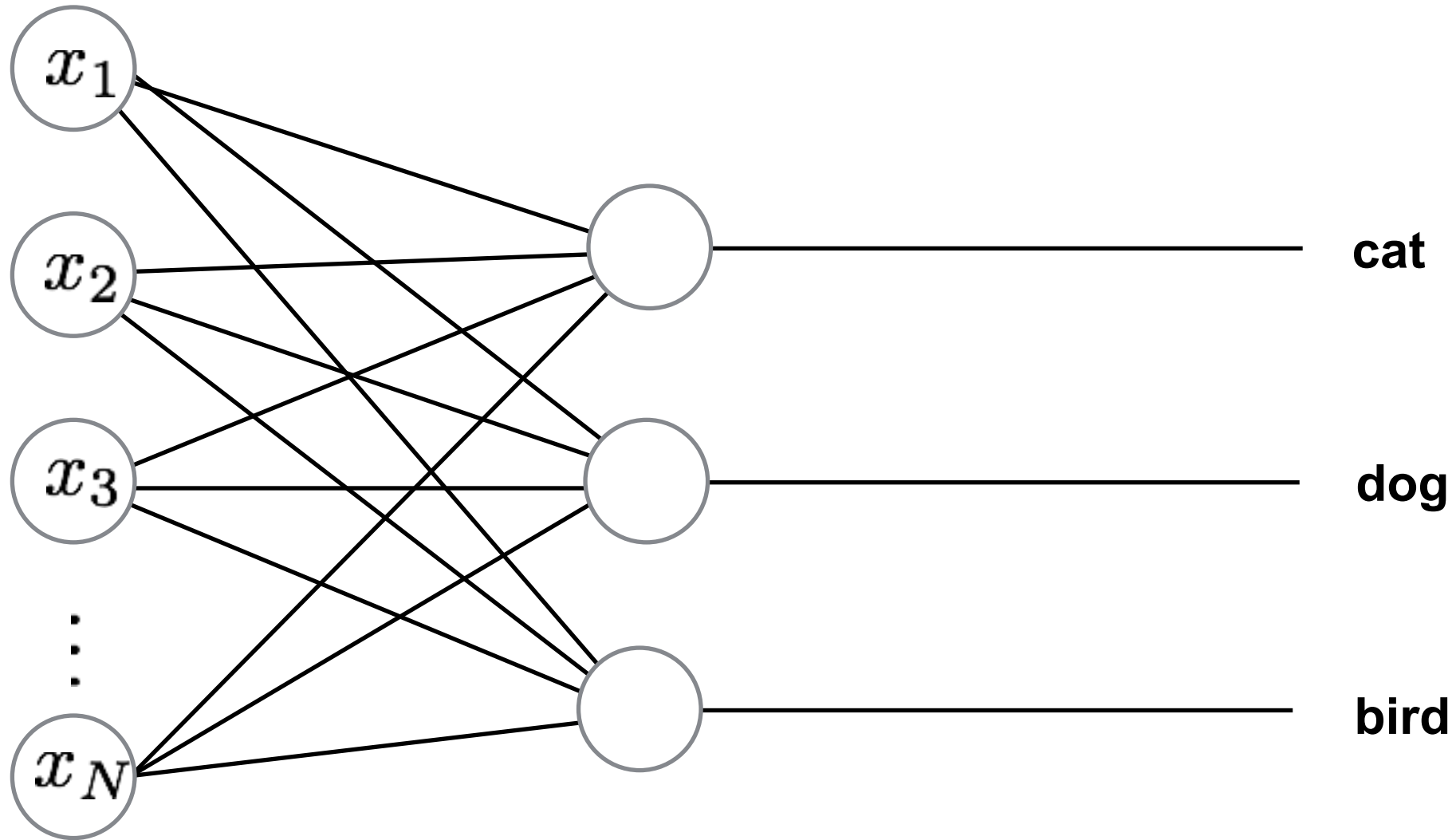
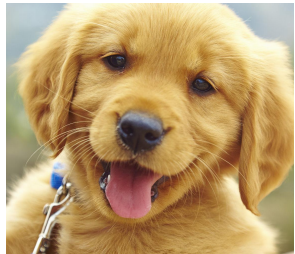
Perceptron: simplified view with **one** perceptron
(produces 1 score for one category)



Perceptron: simplified view with **two** perceptrons
(produces 2 scores with 2 categories)

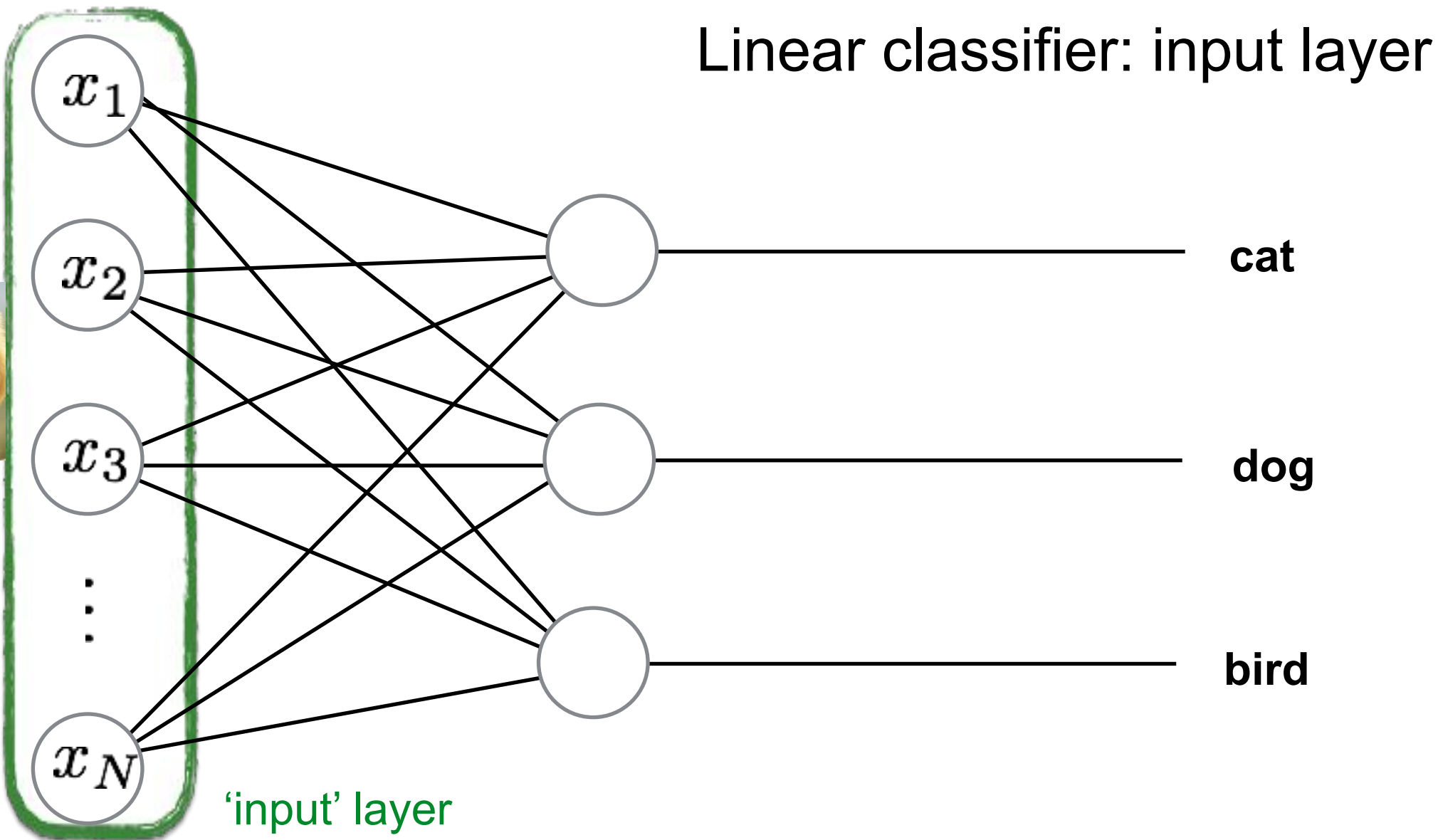


Linear classifier is a set of perceptrons produces one score for every category

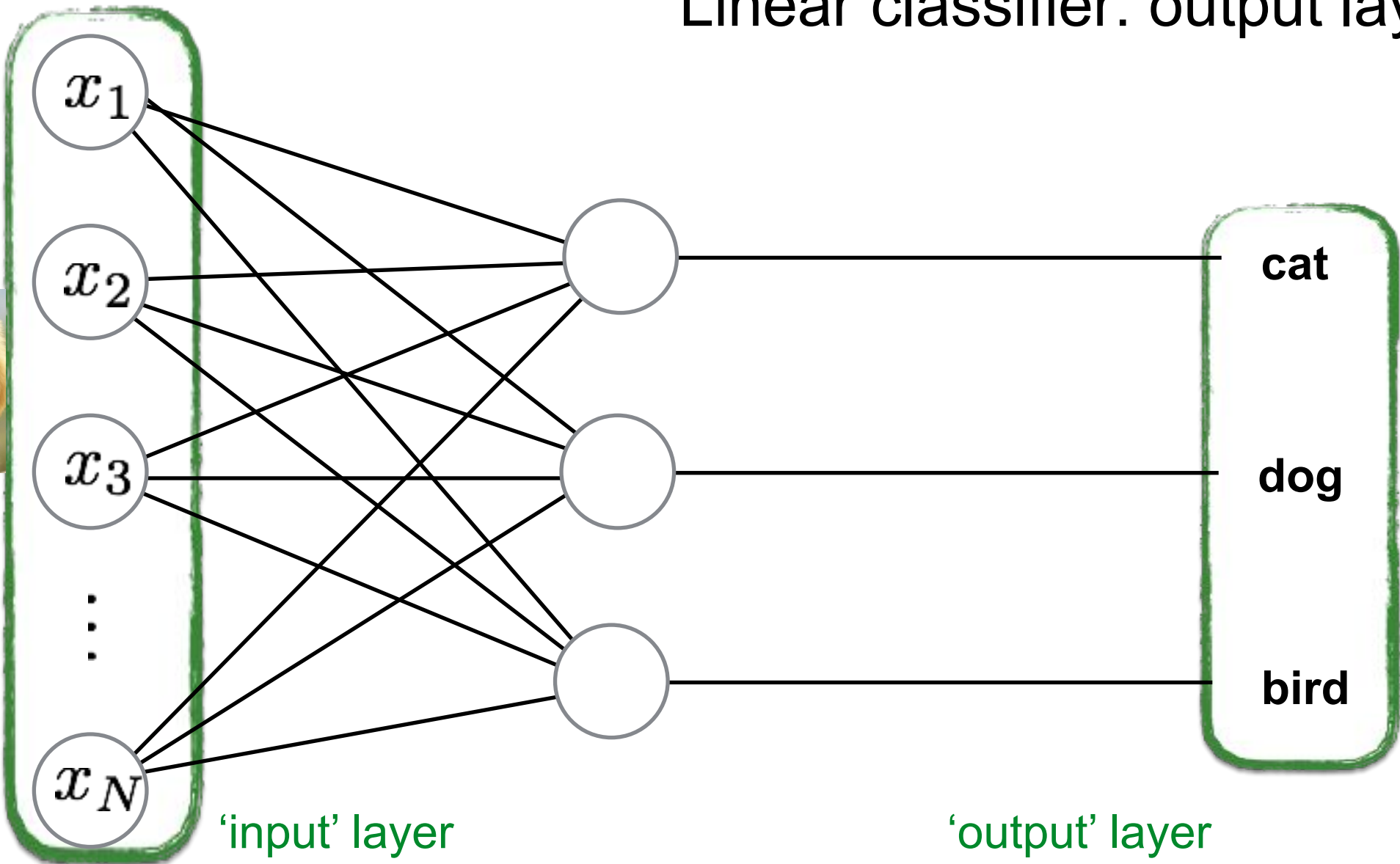
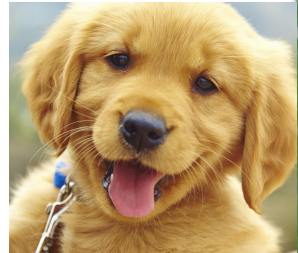


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Linear classifier: output layer



Linear classifier: mathematical formulation



x_1

x_2

x_3

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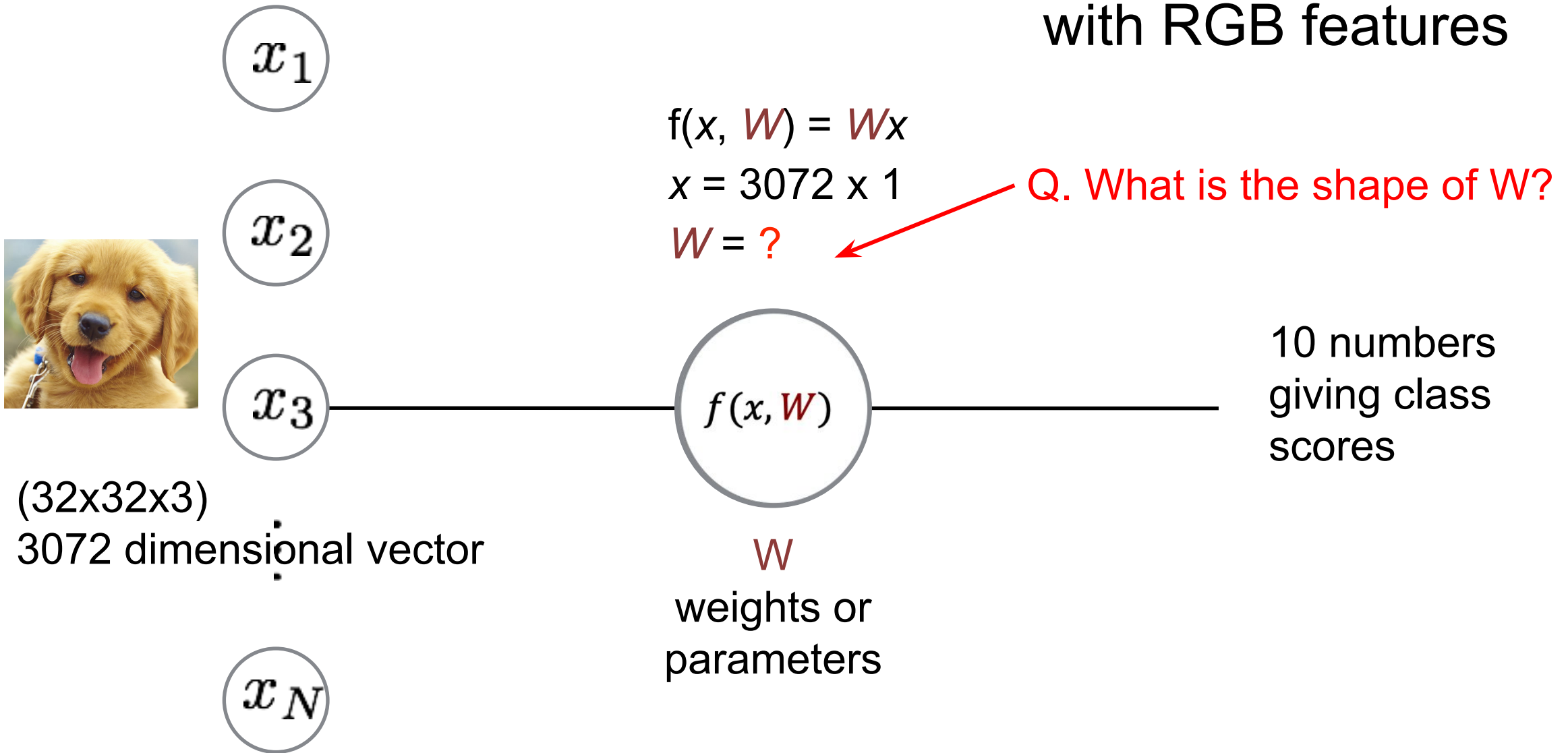
x_N

$f(x, W)$

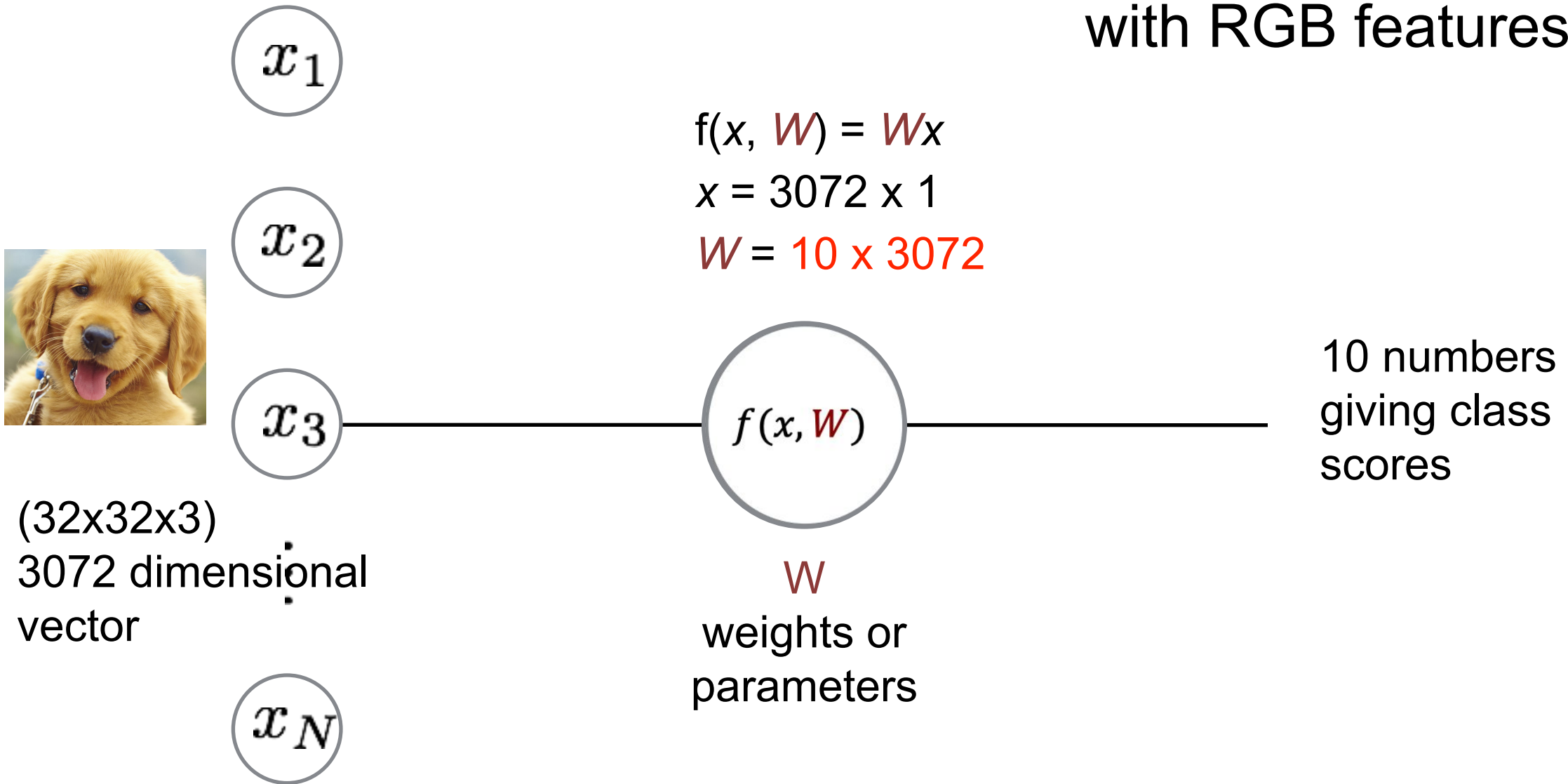
W
weights or
parameters

10 numbers
giving class
scores

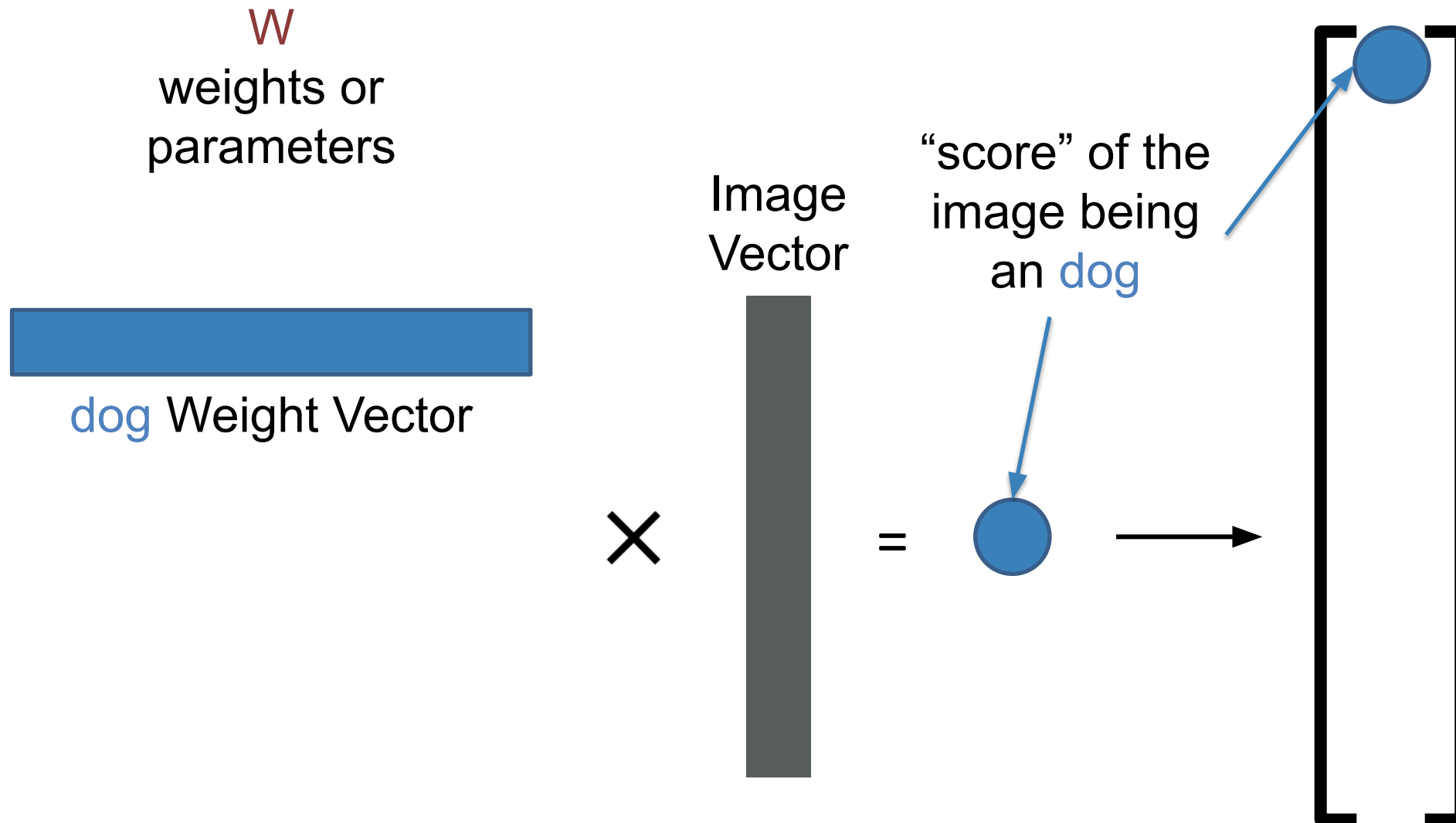
Linear classifier: mathematical formulation with RGB features



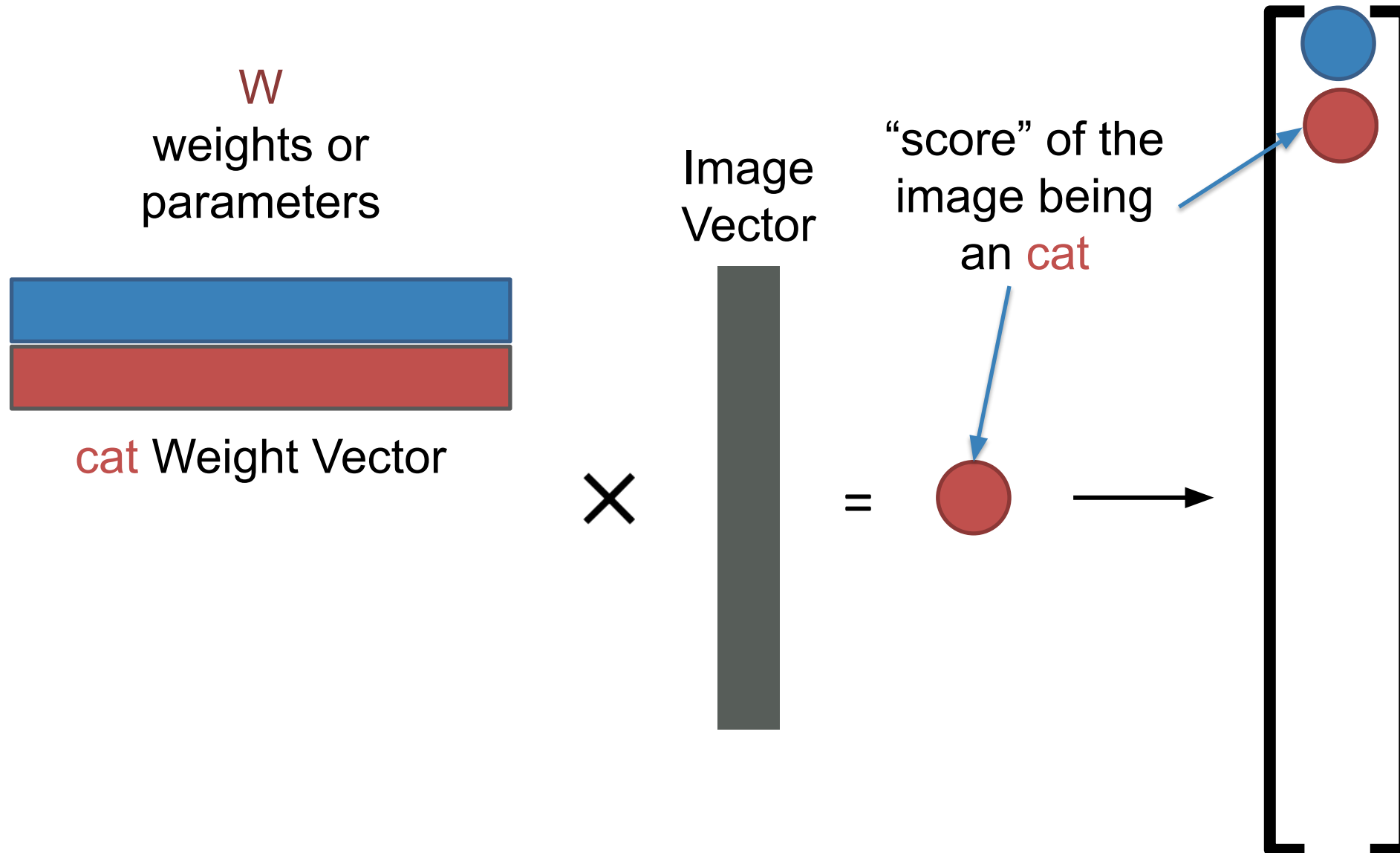
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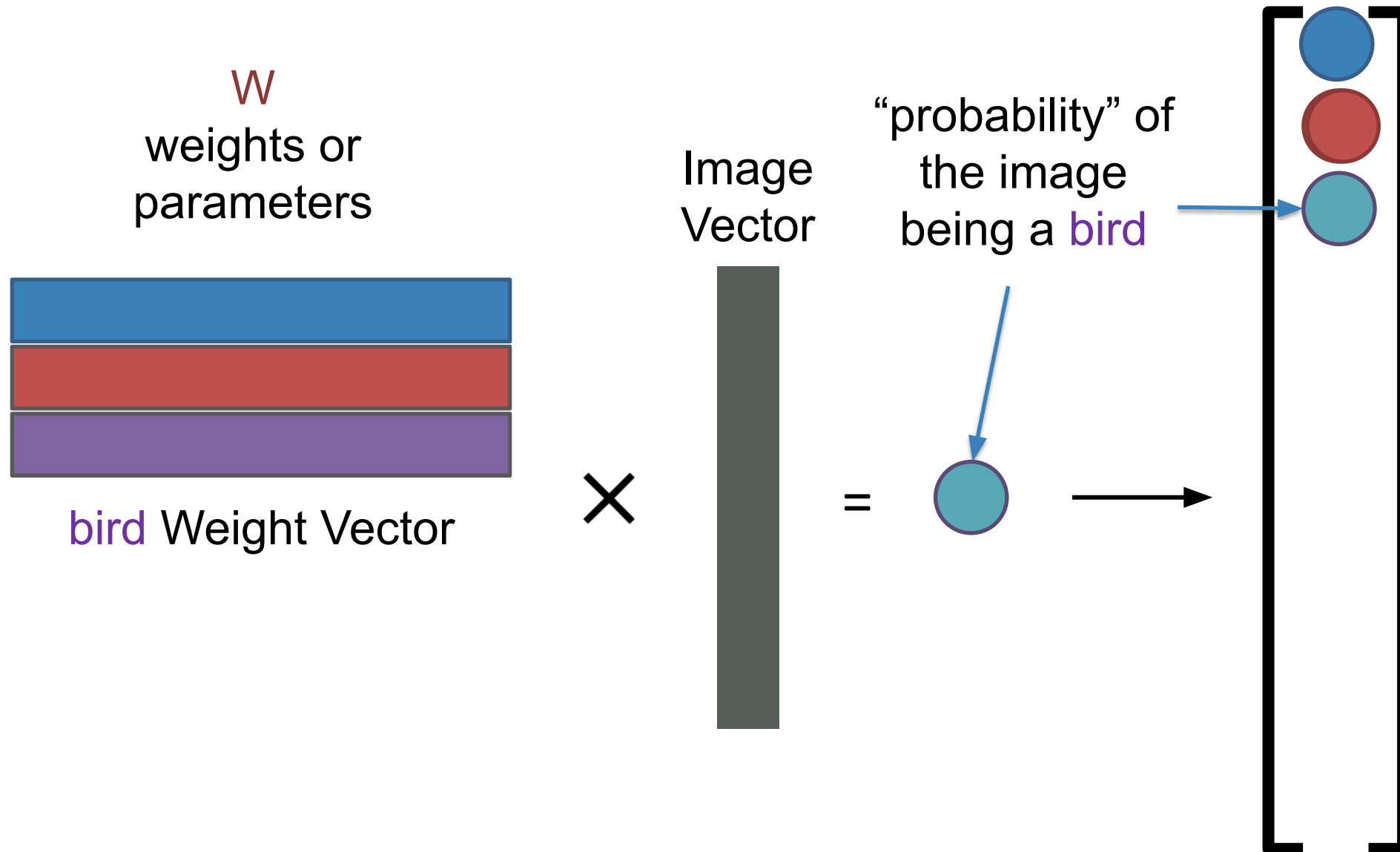
Linear classifier: function visualized



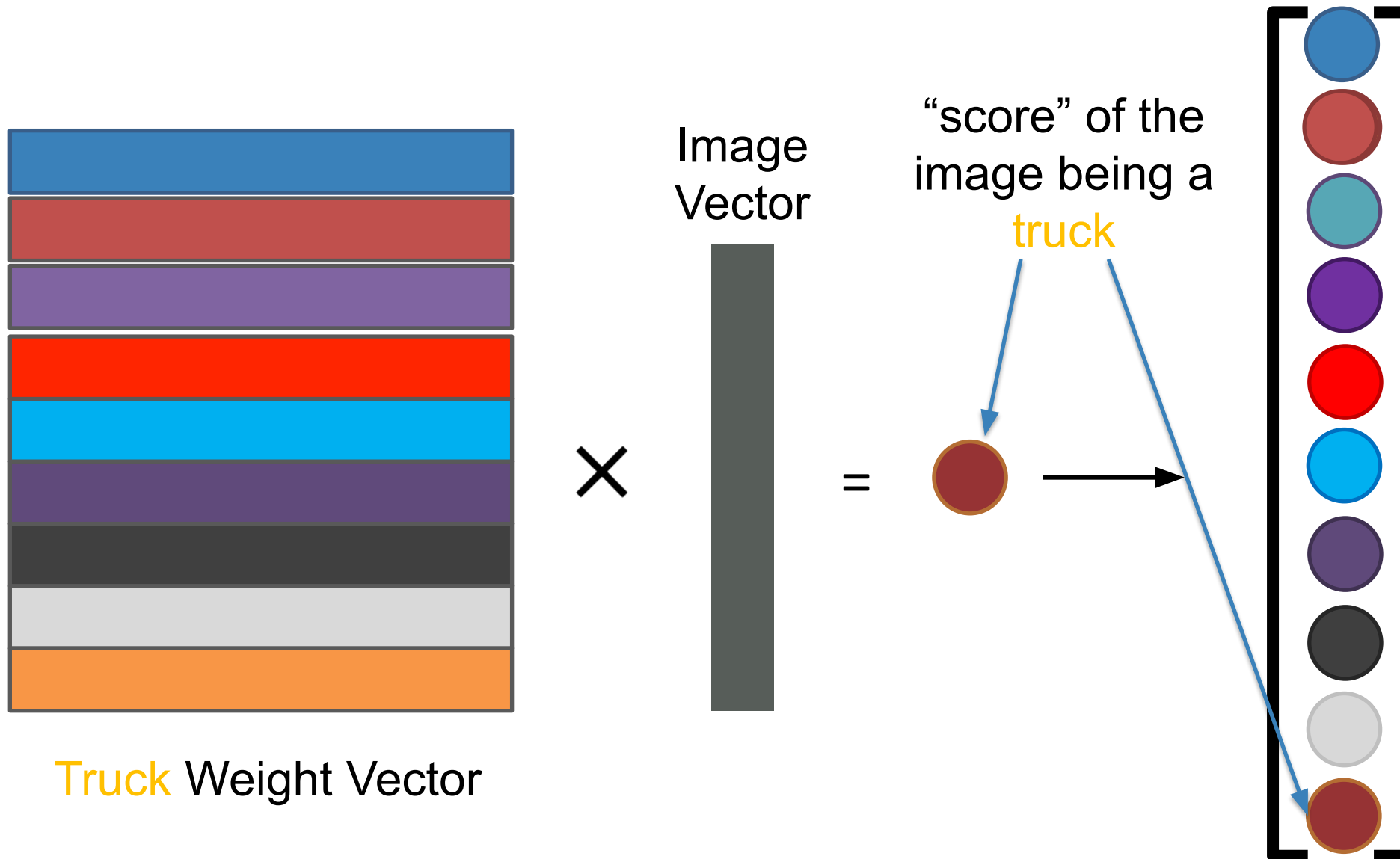
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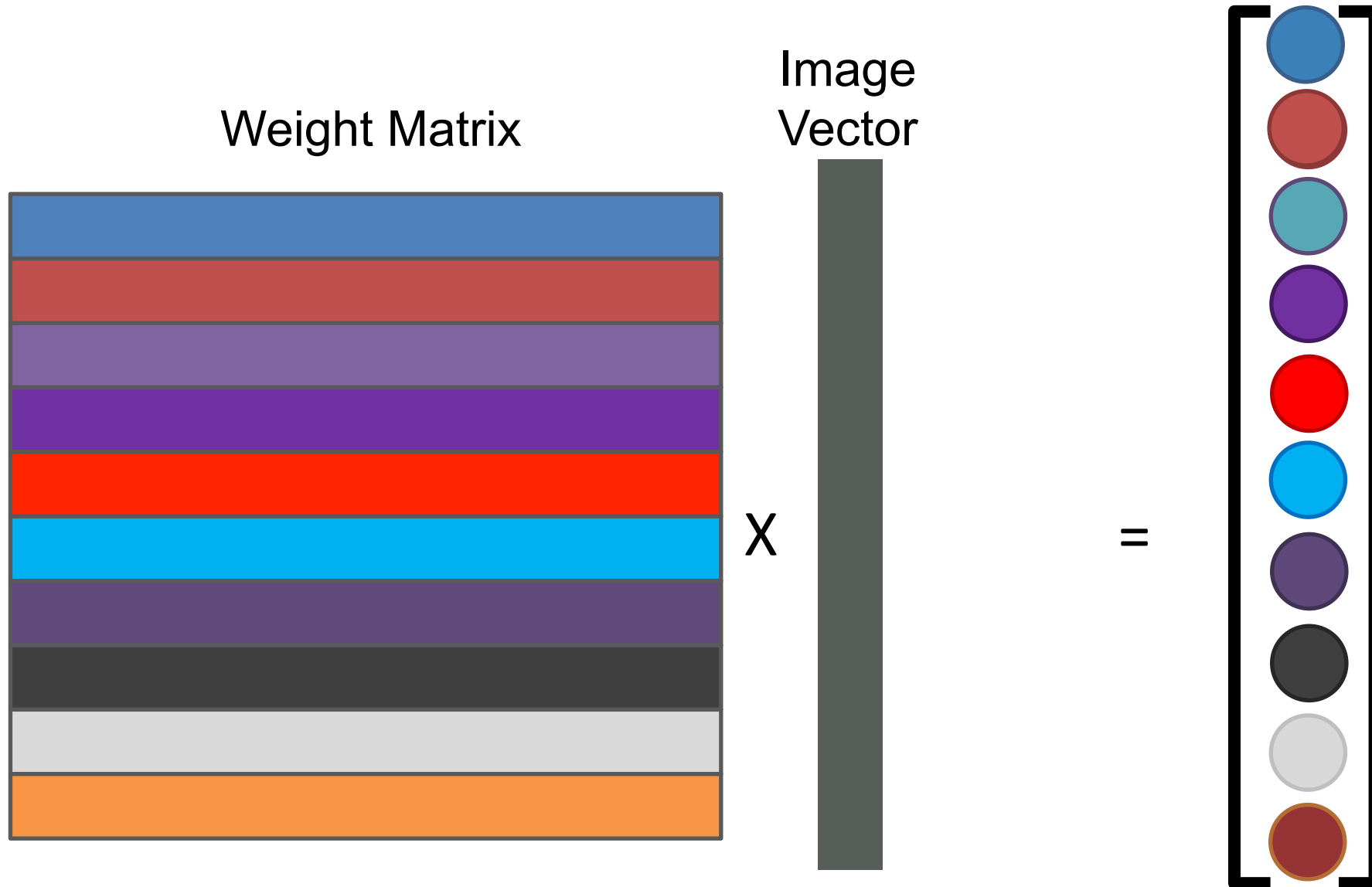
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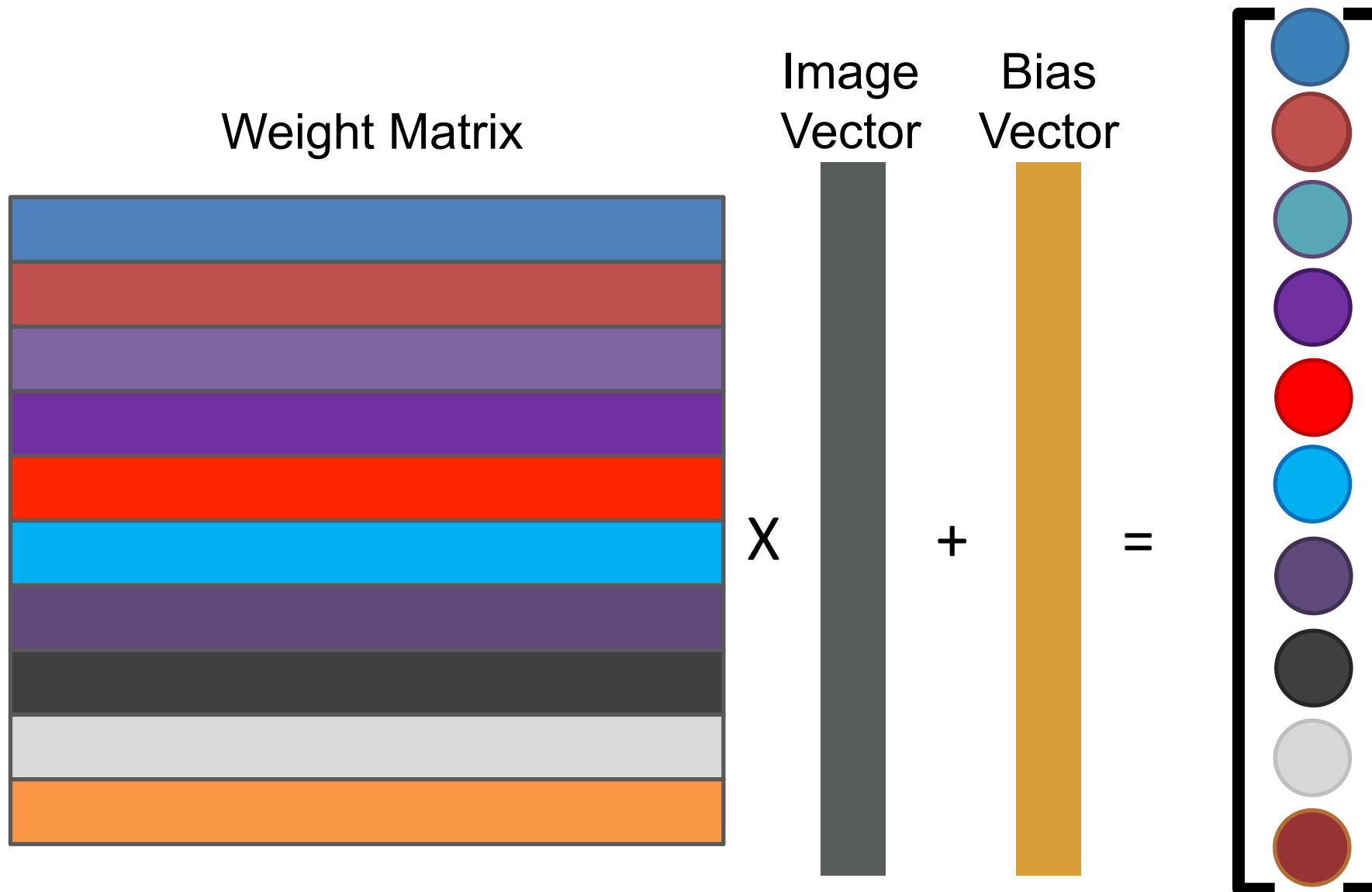
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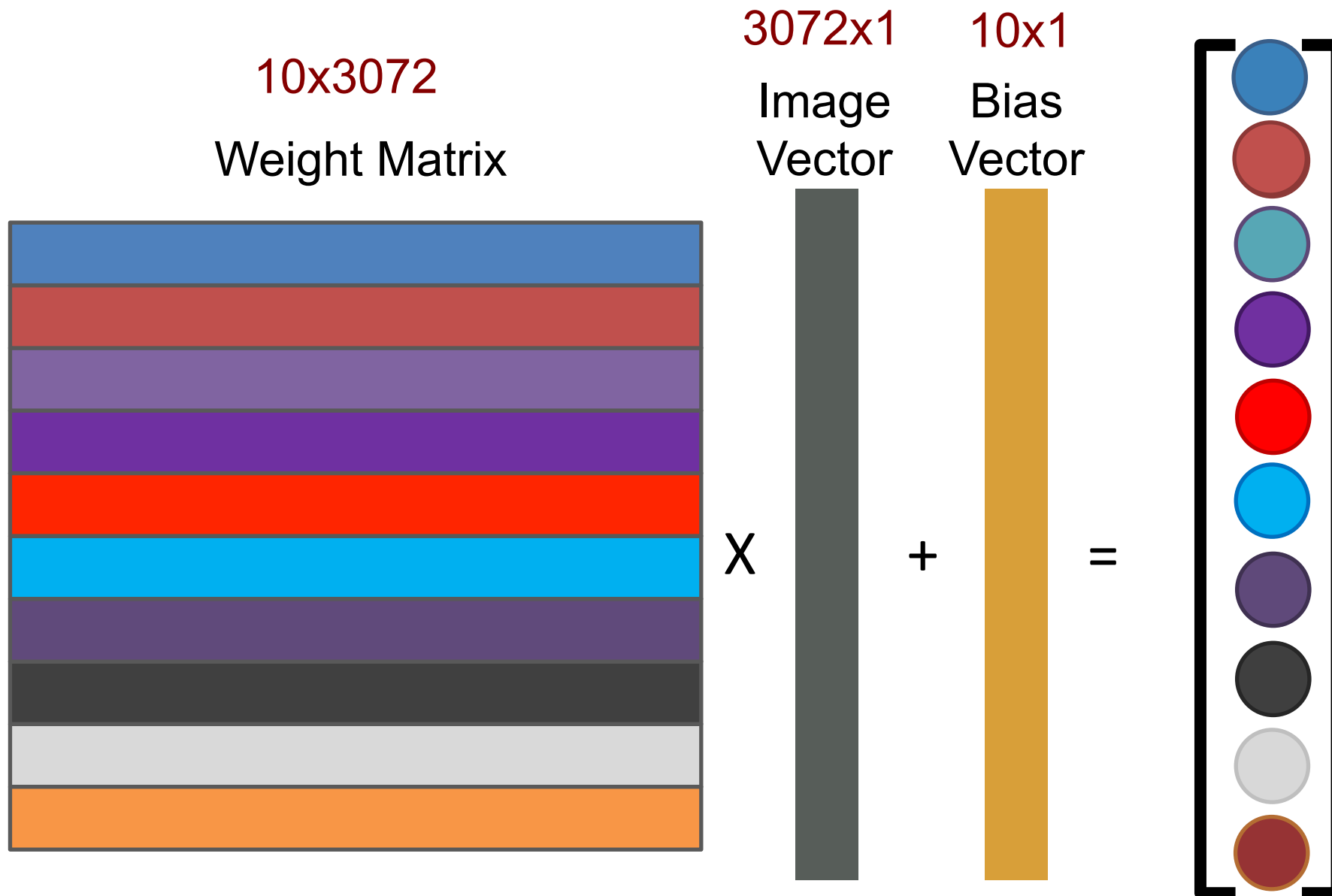
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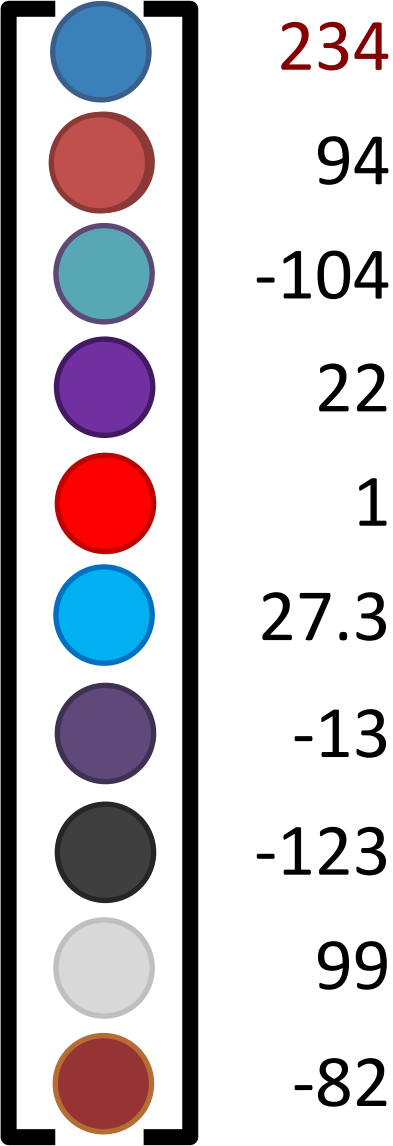
Linear classifier: bias vector



Linear classifier: size



Linear classifier: Making a classification



argmax → **dog**



Interpreting the weights

- Assume our weights are trained on the CIFAR 10 dataset with **raw pixels**:

airplane



automobile



bird



cat



deer



dog



frog



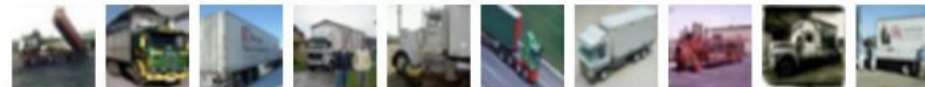
horse



ship

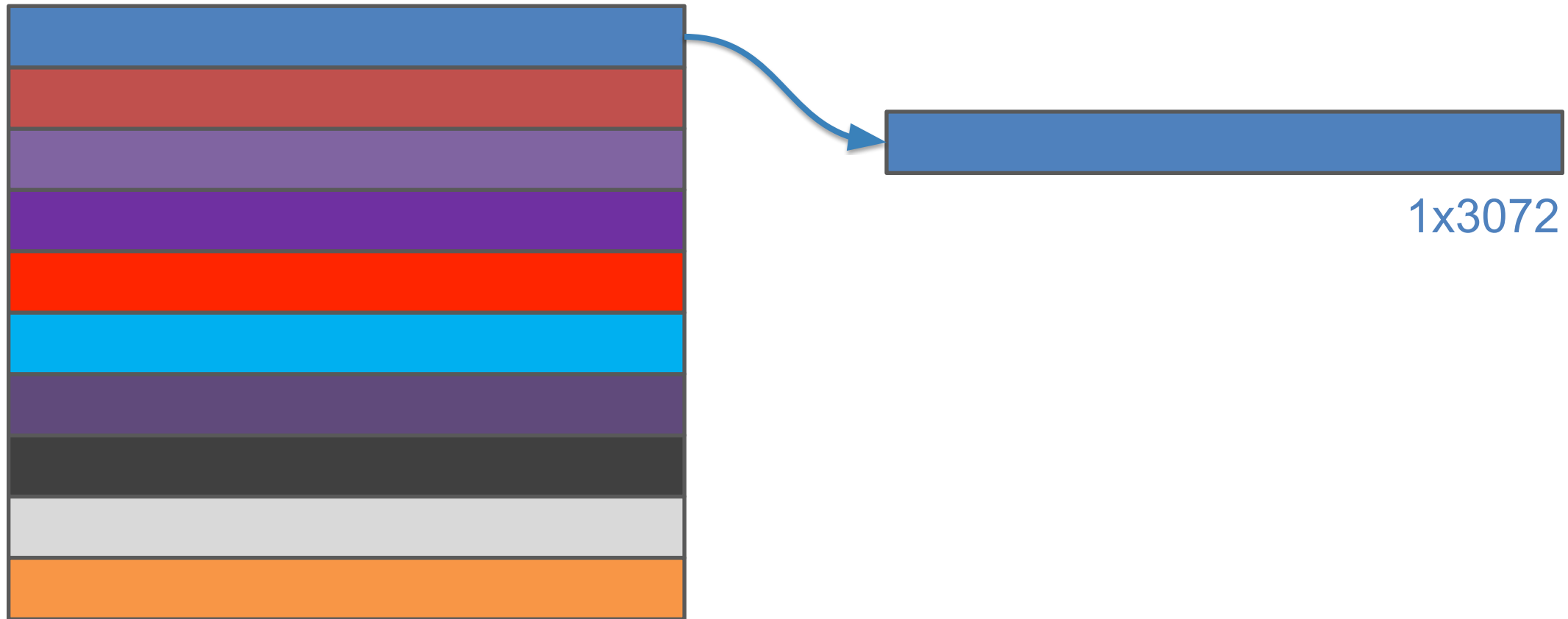


truck



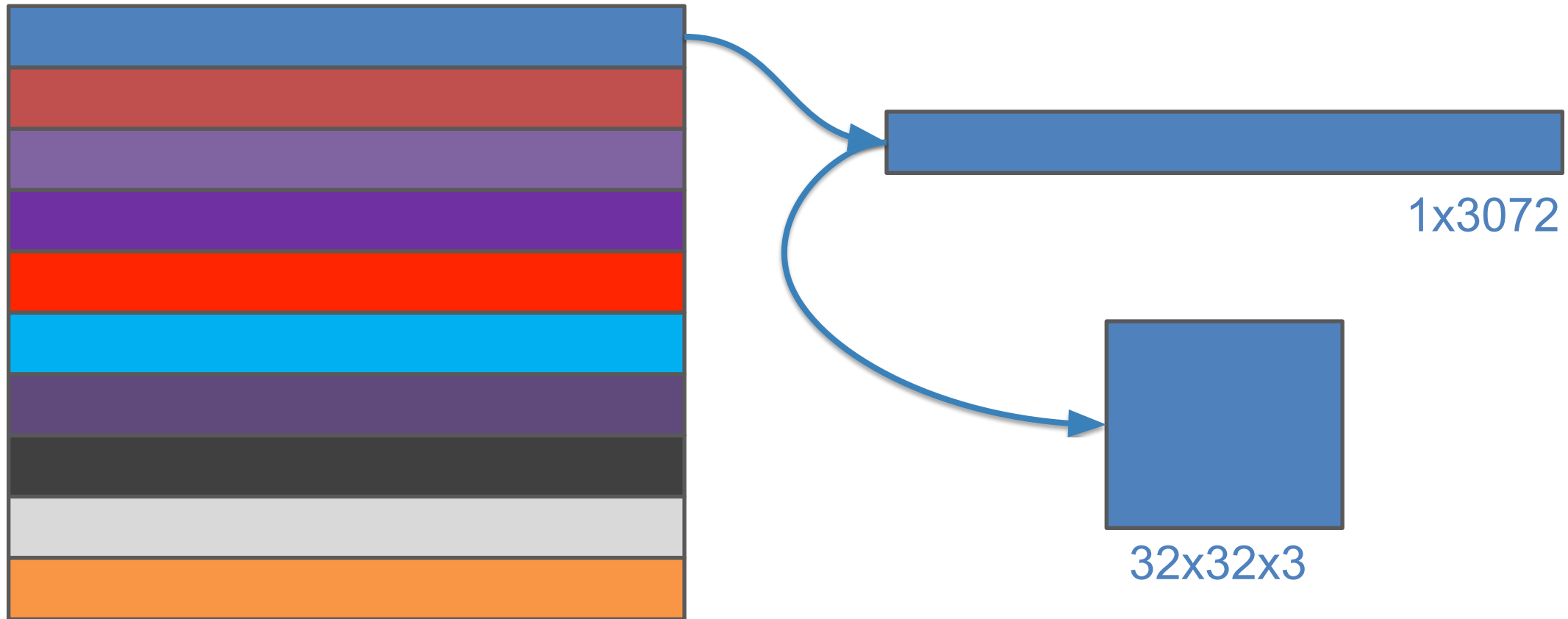
Interpreting the weights **as templates**

Let us look at each row of the weight matrix



Interpreting the weights **as templates**

We can reshape the vector back in to the shape of an image

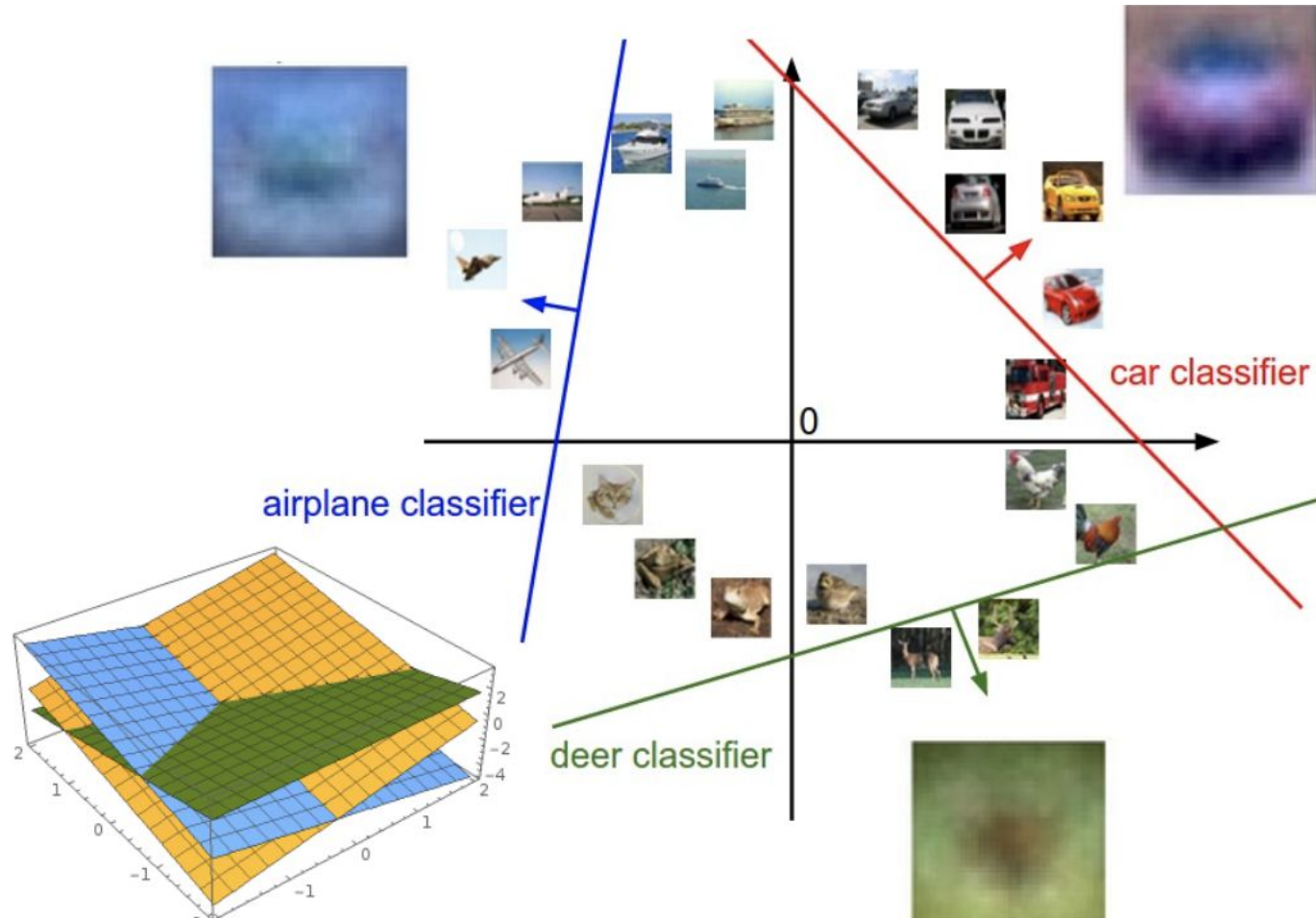


Let's visualize what the **templates** look like

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Interpreting the weights **geometrically**



- Assume the image vectors are in 2D space to make it easier to visualize.

Plot created using [Wolfram Cloud](https://www.wolframcloud.com)

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Training linear classifiers

We need to learn how to **pick the weights** in the first place.

Formally, we need to find **W** such that

$$\min_W \text{Loss}(y, \hat{y})$$

Where y is the true label, \hat{y} is the model's predicted label.

All we have to do is **define a loss function!**

Given training data:

$$y = wx$$

x	y
[2 3]	7
[5 1]	11
[8 8]	24

What do you think is a good approximation weight parameter for this data point?

$$W = [? \ ?]$$

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Properties of a loss function

Given several training examples: $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_N, y_N)\}$

and a perceptron: $\hat{y} = wx$

where x is image and y is (integer) label (0 for dog, 1 for cat, etc)

A loss function $L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i)$ tells us how good our current classifier

- When the classifier predicts **correctly**, the loss should be low
- When the classifier makes **mistakes**, the loss should be high

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Loss over the entire dataset is an average of loss over examples

$$L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i)$$

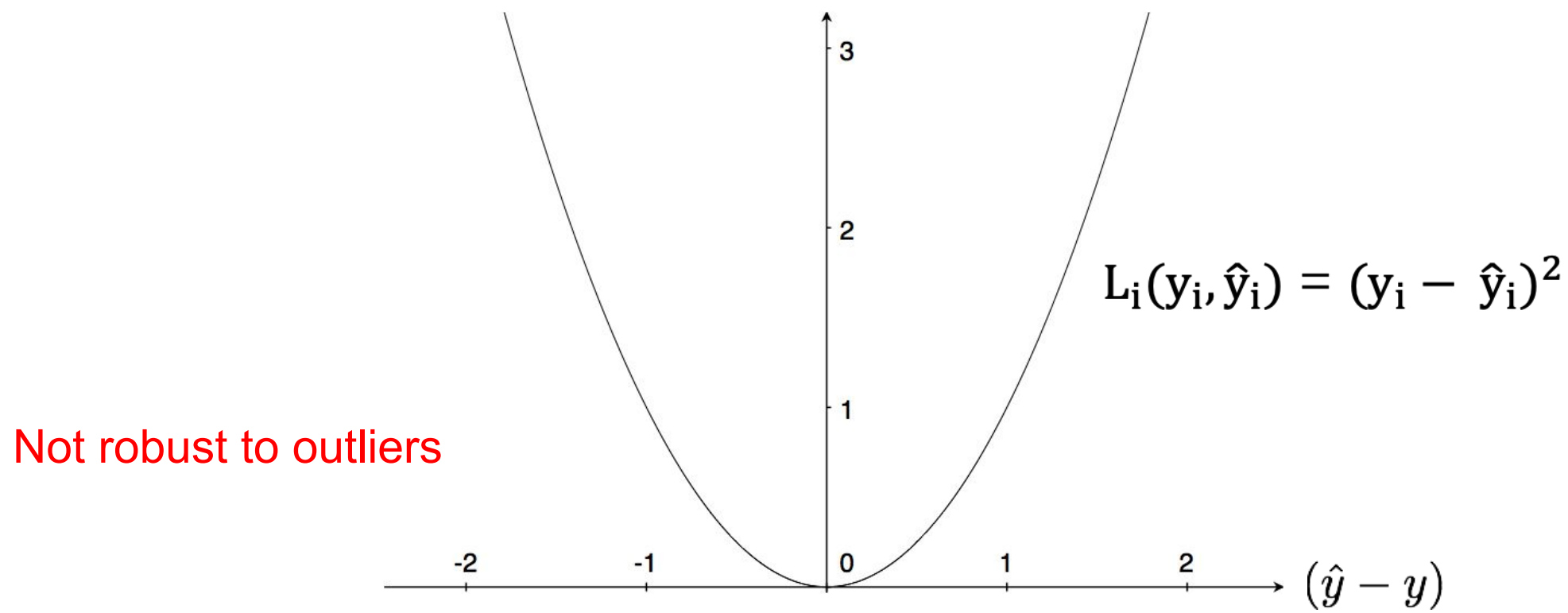
How do we choose the loss function L_i ?

YOU get to chose the loss function!

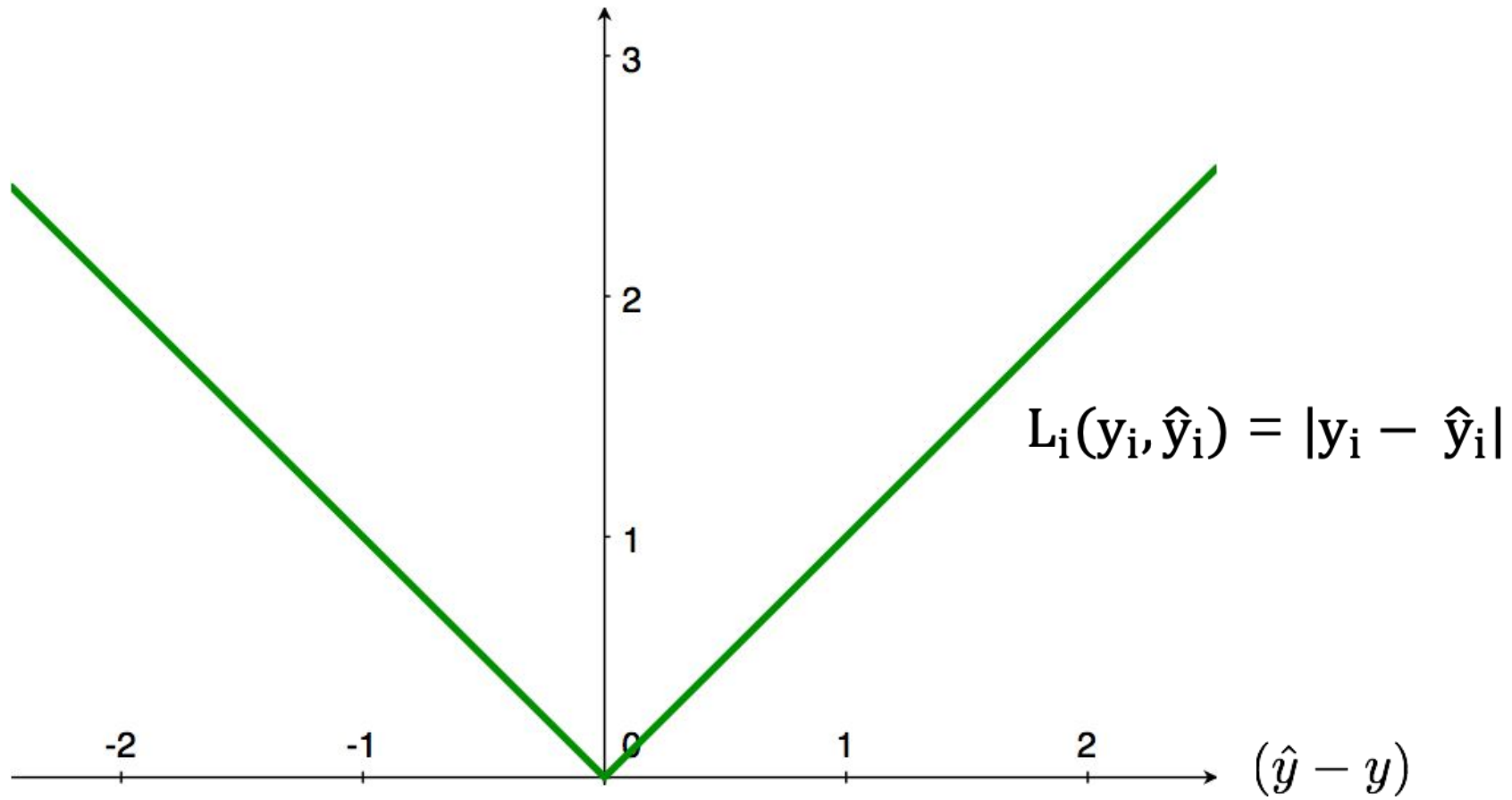
(some are better than others depending on what you want to do)

Squared Error (L2)

(a popular loss function) ((why?))

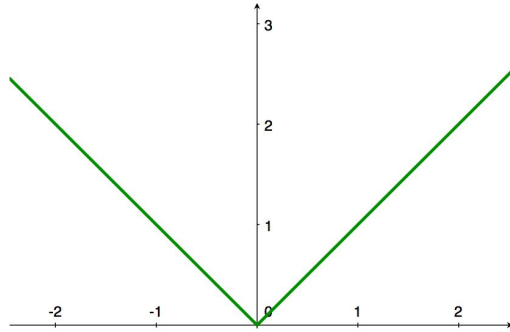


L1 loss



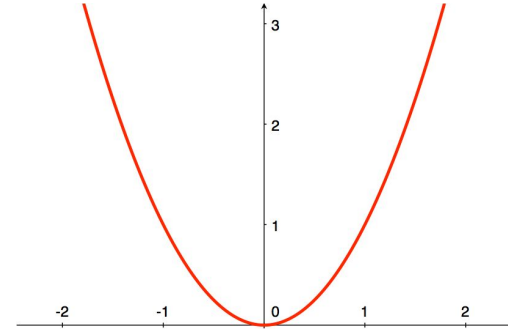
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$$L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i) = |y_i - \hat{y}_i|$$



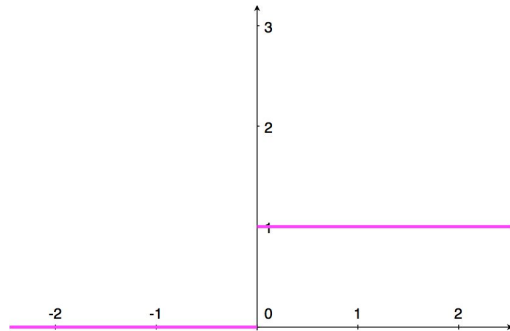
L2 Loss

$$L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i) = (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$



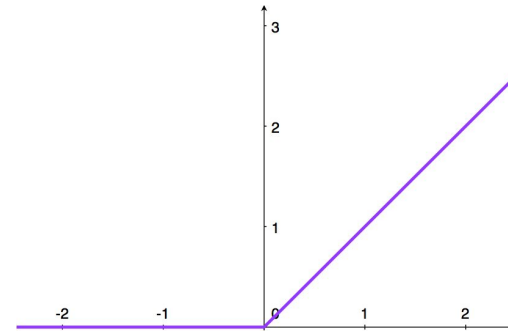
Zero-One Loss

$$L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i) = 1 \text{ if } y_i \neq \hat{y}_i$$



Hinge Loss

$$L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i) = \max(0, 1 - y_i \hat{y}_i)$$



Softmax Classifier (Multinomial Logistic Regression)

- It allows us to treat the outputs of a model as probabilities for each class
- common way of measuring distance between probability distributions is

Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence:

$$D_{KL} = \sum_y P(y) \log \frac{P(y)}{Q(y)}$$

- where P is the ground truth distribution and Q is the model's output score distribution

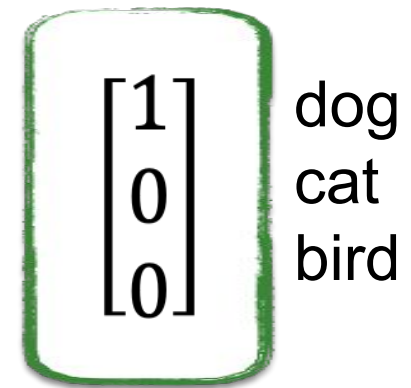
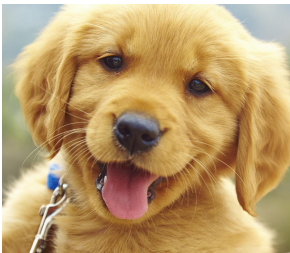
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In our case, P is only non-zero for correct class

For example, consider the case we only have 3 classes:



correct outputs

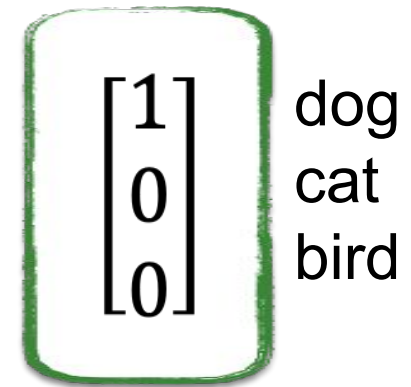
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$$= -\log Q(y) \text{ when } y = \textit{dog}$$

$$= -\log \textit{Prob}[f(x_i, W) = y_i]$$



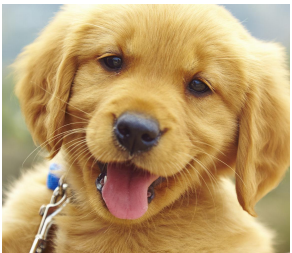
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Remember our linear classifier: $\hat{y} = wx$

There are **no limitations on the output space**. Meaning that the model can output <0 or >1



$$\begin{bmatrix} 3.2 \\ 5.1 \\ -1.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

model outputs

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

dog
cat
bird

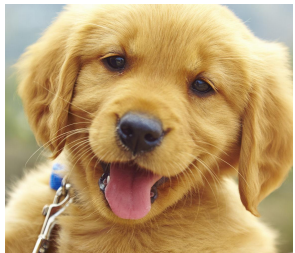
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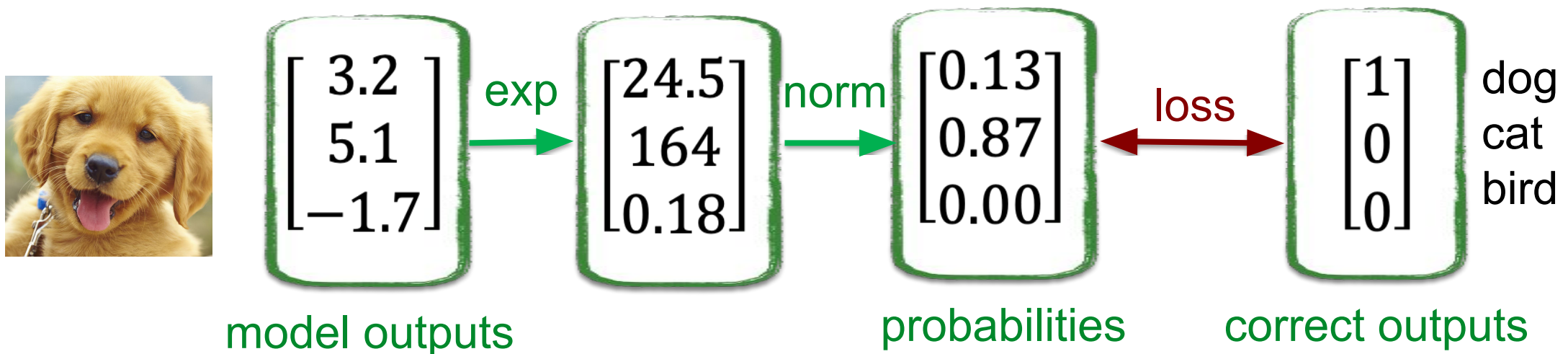
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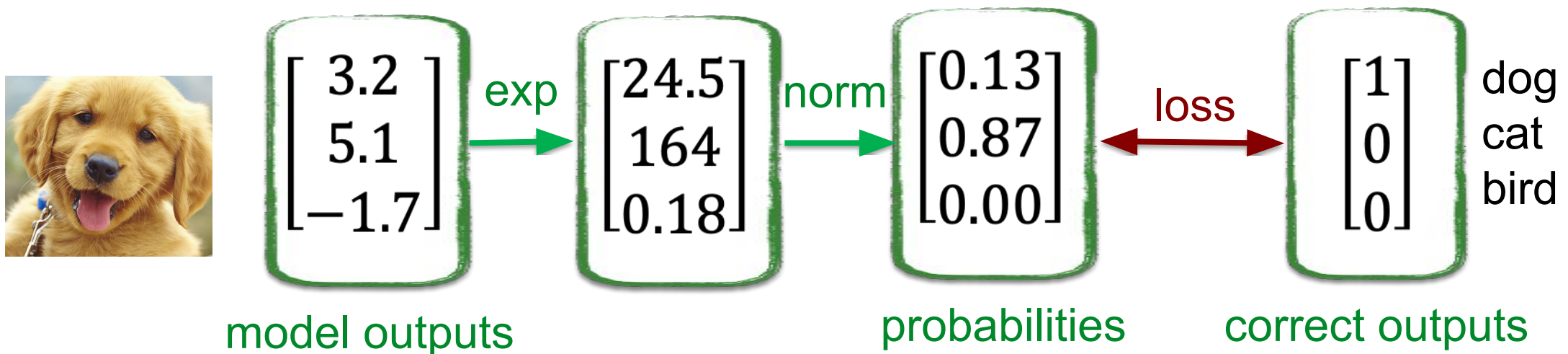


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$$L_i = ??$$

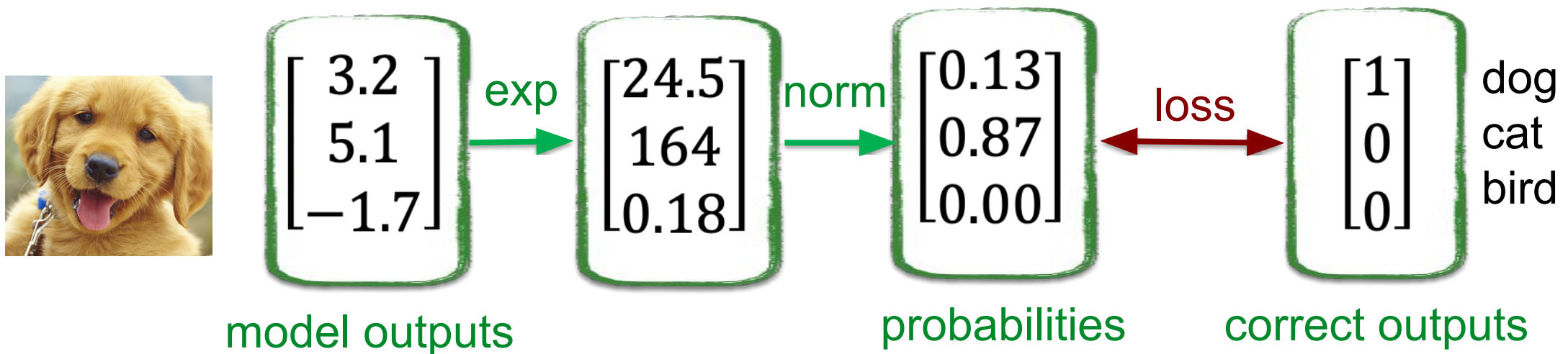


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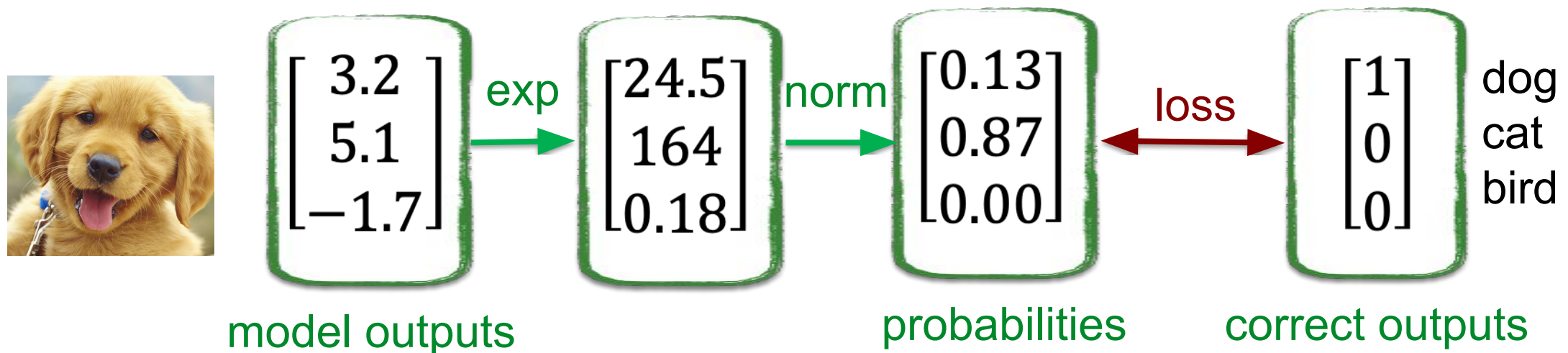
$$L_i = -\log(0.13) = 2.04$$



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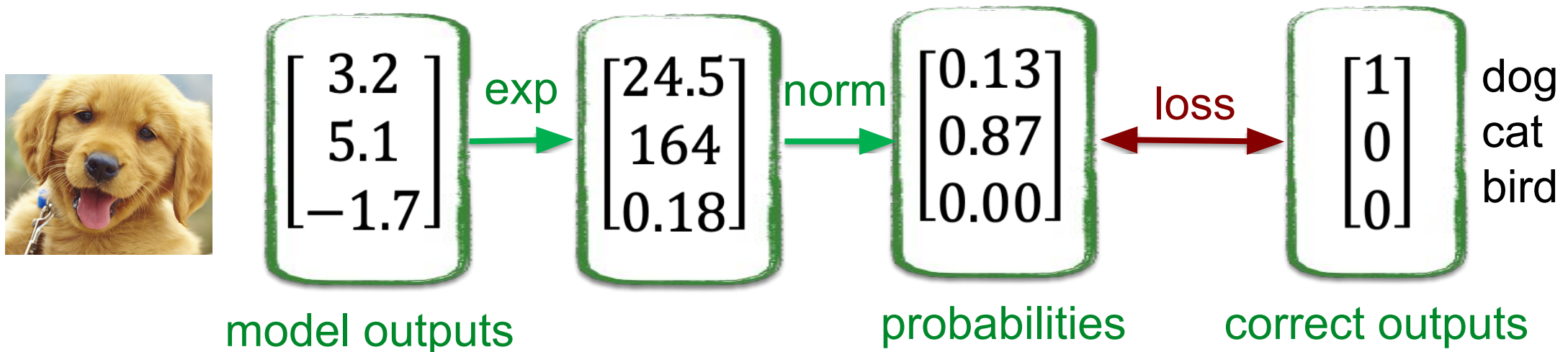
what is the minimum and maximum values that the loss can be?



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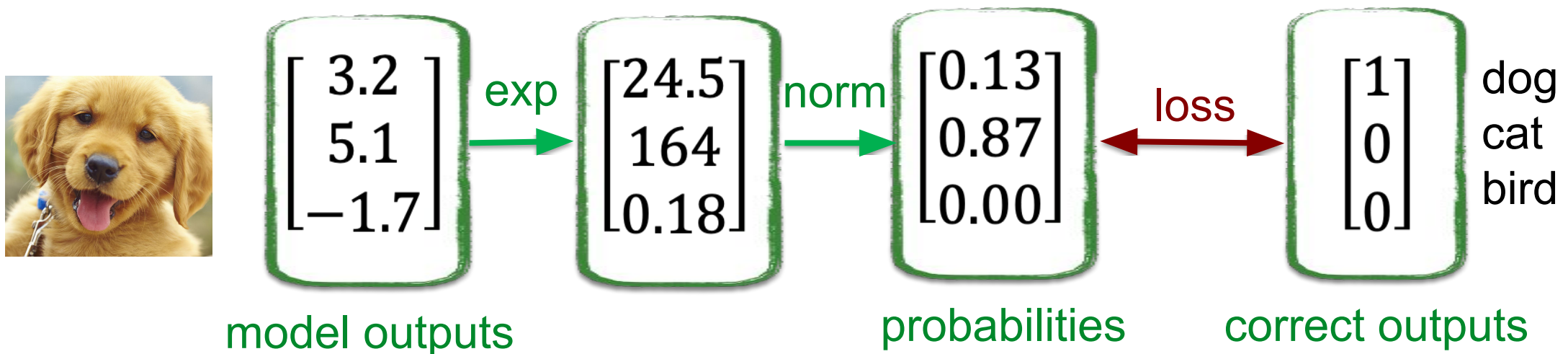


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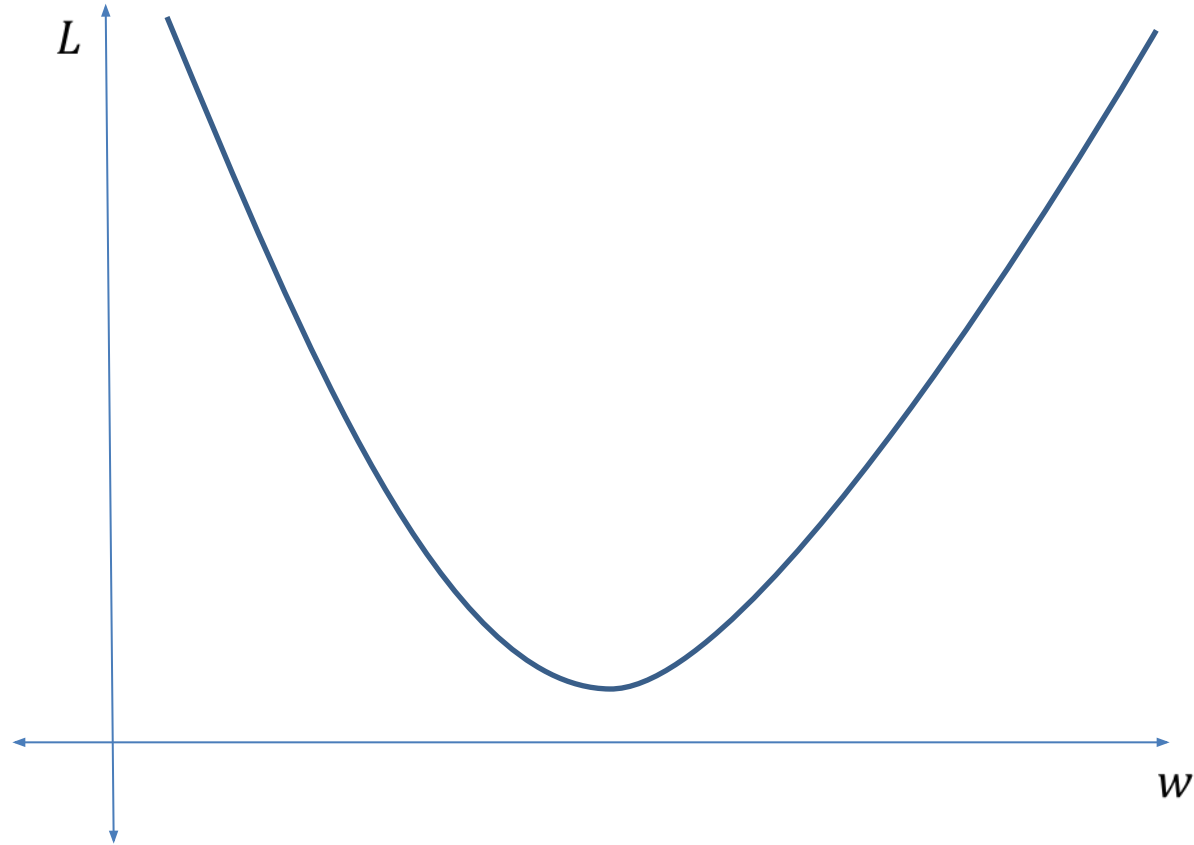


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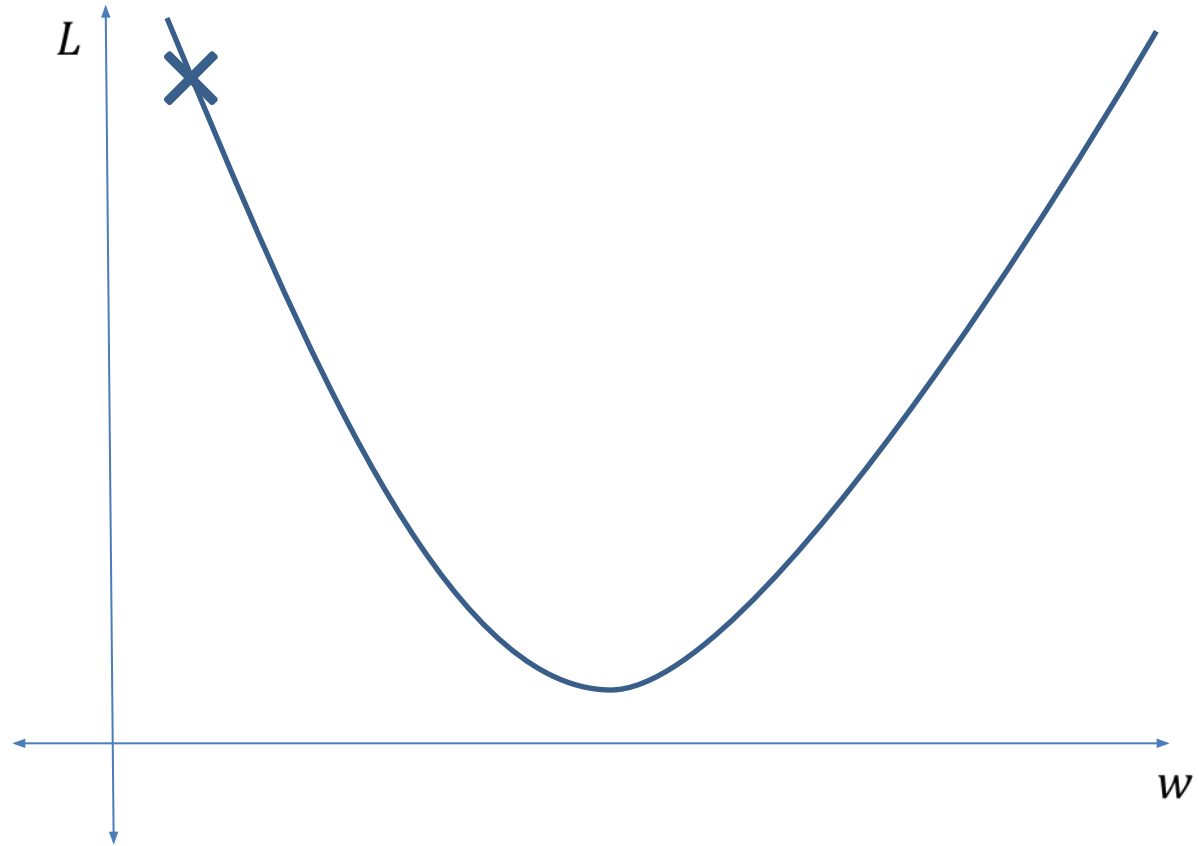
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How do we find the weights that minimize the loss?

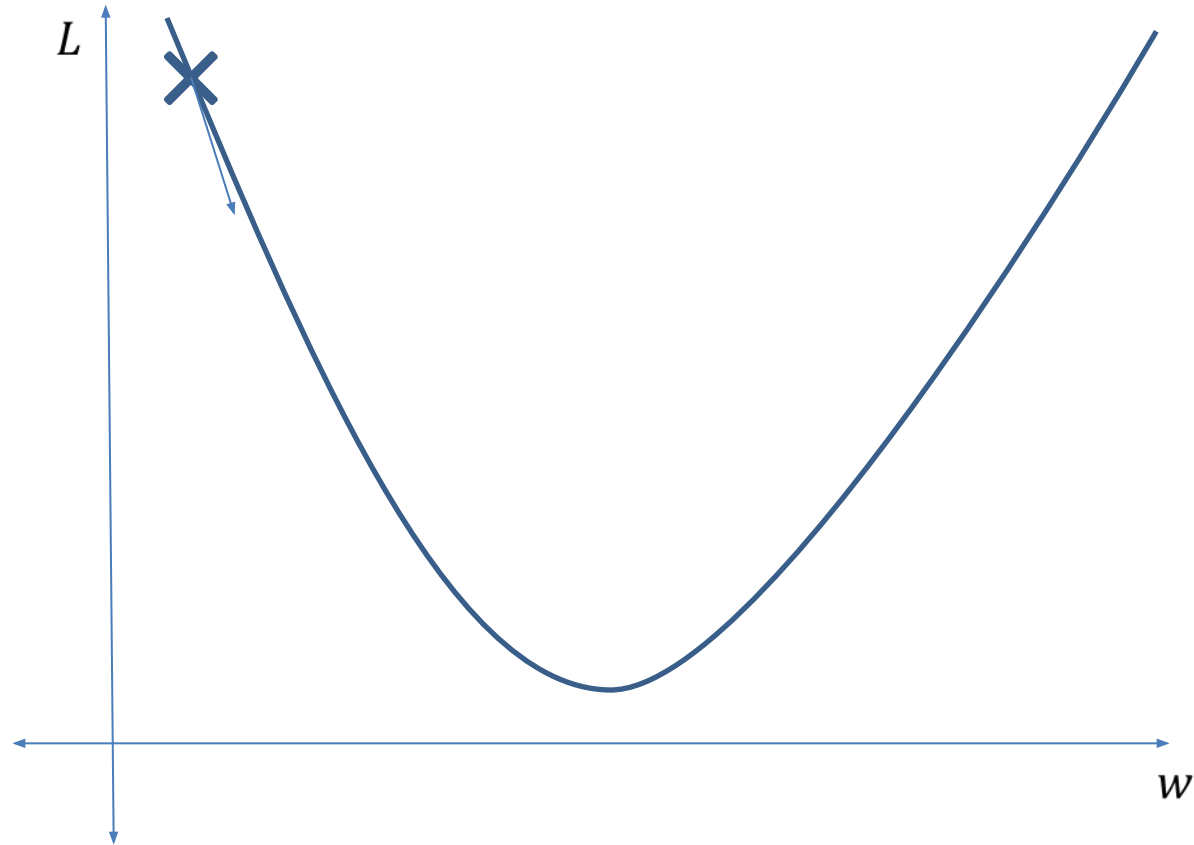
Gradient descent visualized: Minimizing loss



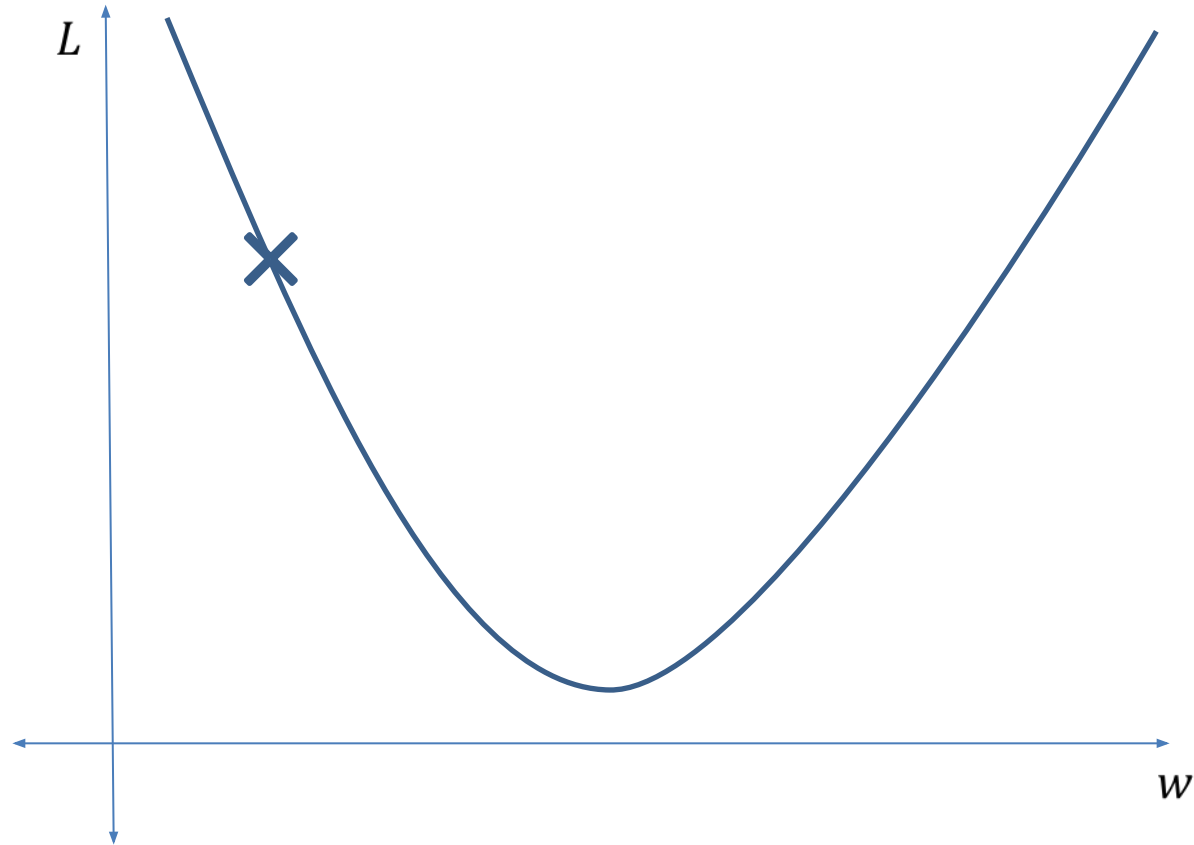
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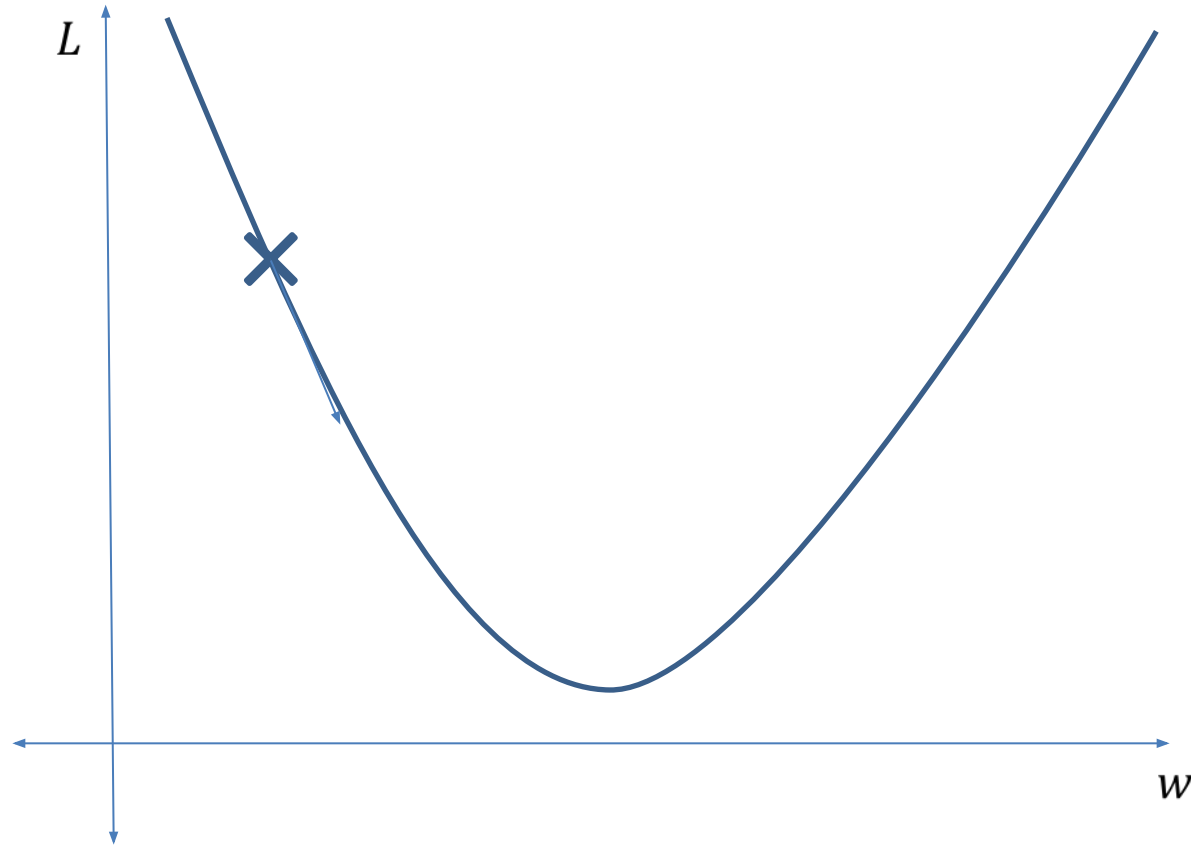
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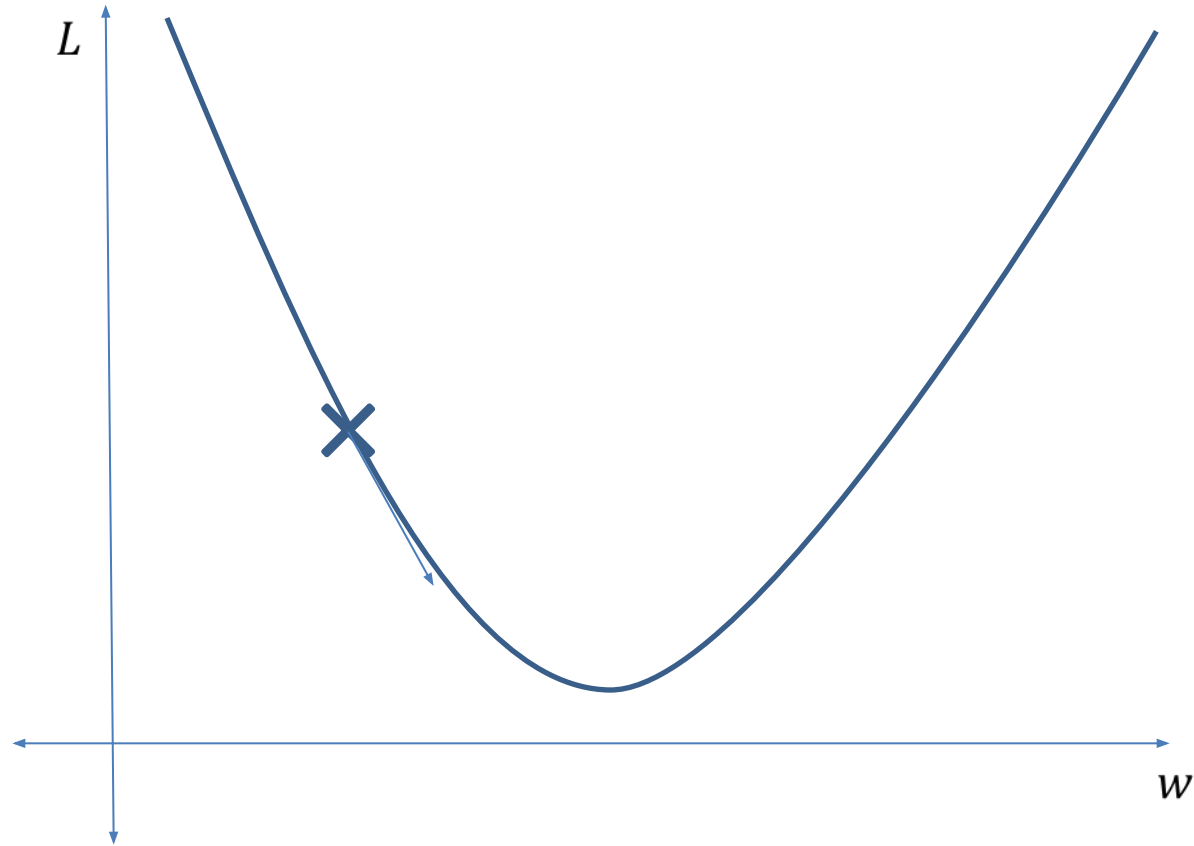
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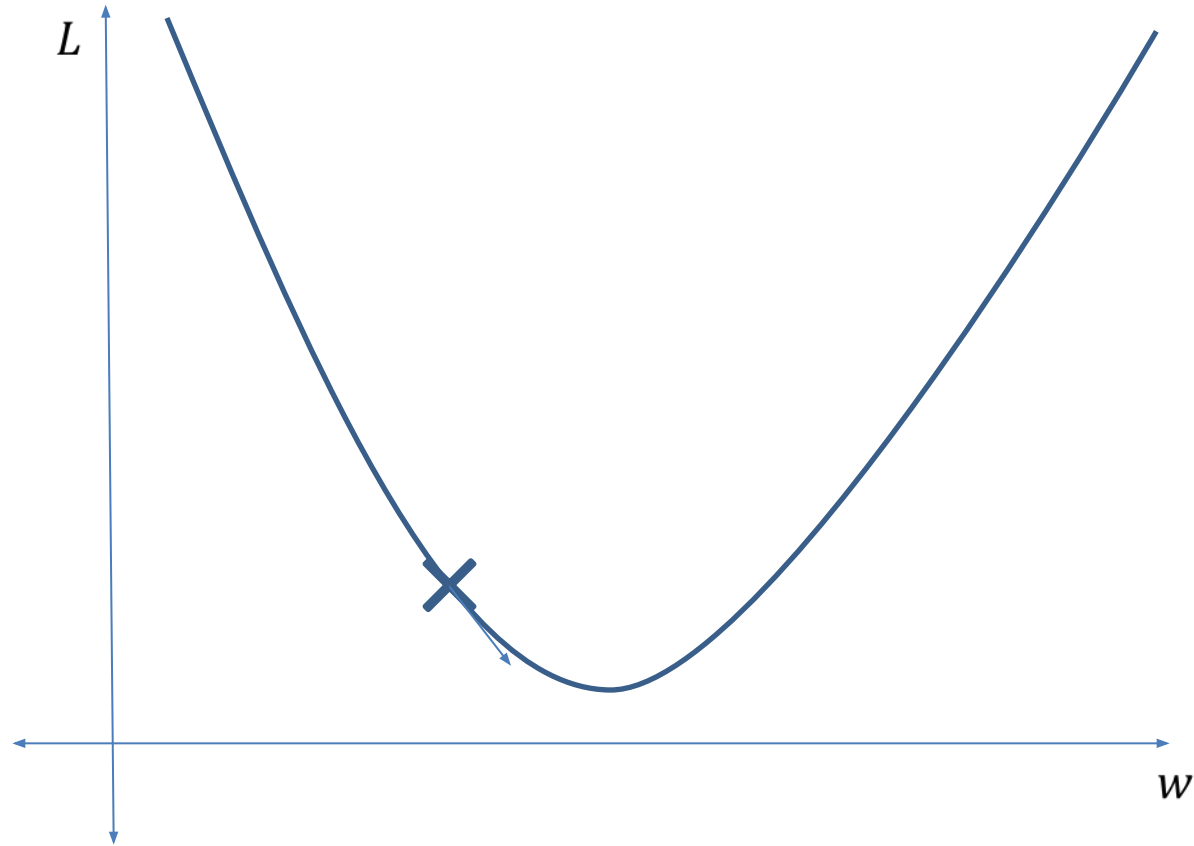
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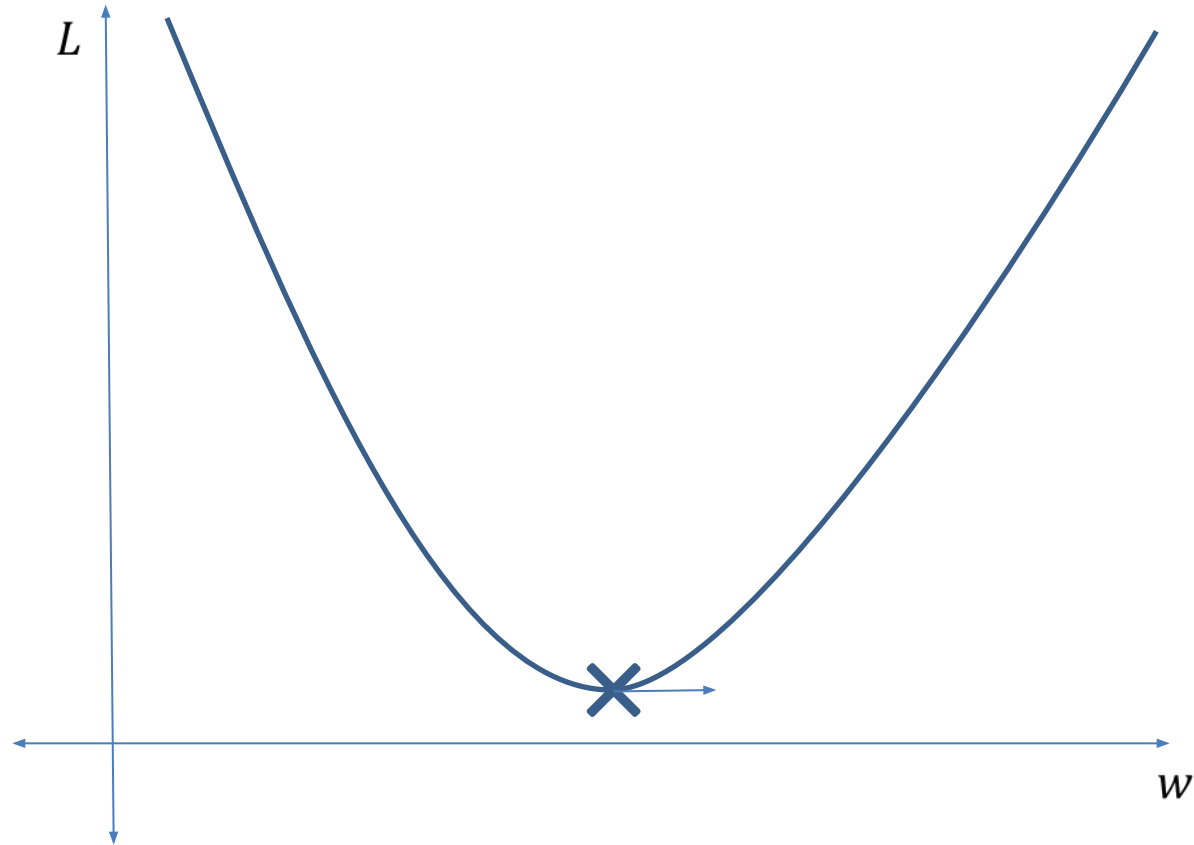
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Gradient Descent Pseudocode

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for _ in {0, ..., num_epochs}:
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    L = 0
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    for  $x_i, y_i$  in data:
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$$\hat{y}_i = f(x_i, W)$$

$$L += L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i)$$

$$\frac{dL}{dW} = ???$$

$$W := W - \alpha \frac{dL}{dW}$$

Partial derivative of loss to update weights

Given training data point (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) , the linear classifier formula is: $\hat{y} = W\mathbf{x}$

Let's assume that the correct label is class k , implying $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{k}$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Loss} = L(\hat{y}, y) &= -\log \frac{e^{\hat{y}_k}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}} \\ &= -\hat{y}_k + \log \sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}\end{aligned}$$

Calculating the gradient is hard, but we can use the chain rule to make it simpler

$$\frac{dL}{dW} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \frac{d\hat{y}}{dW}$$

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Now, we want to update the weights \mathbf{W} by calculating the

direction in which to change the weights to reduce the loss: $\frac{dL}{dW} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{\mathbf{y}}} \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{dW}$

we know that $\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{y}}}{dW} = \mathbf{x}$, but what about $\frac{dL}{d\hat{\mathbf{y}}}$?

Partial derivative of loss to update weights

$$L = -\hat{y}_k + \log \sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}$$

To calculate $\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}}$, we need to consider two cases:

Case 1:

$$\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}_k} = -1 + \frac{e^{\hat{y}_k}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}}$$

Case 2:

$$\frac{dL}{d\hat{y}_{l \neq k}} = \frac{e^{\hat{y}_l}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}}$$

Partial derivative of loss to update weights

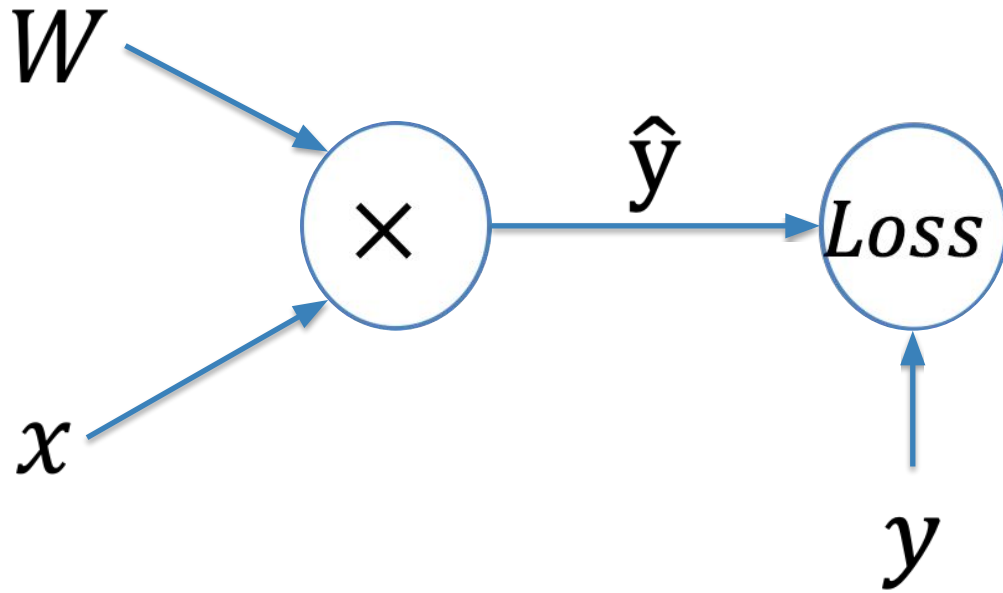
Putting it all together:

$$\frac{dL}{dW} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \frac{d\hat{y}}{dW}$$
$$\frac{dL}{dW} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e^{\hat{y}_0}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}} \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ -1 + \frac{e^{\hat{y}_k}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}} \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \frac{e^{\hat{y}_{3071}}}{\sum_j e^{\hat{y}_j}} \end{bmatrix} x$$

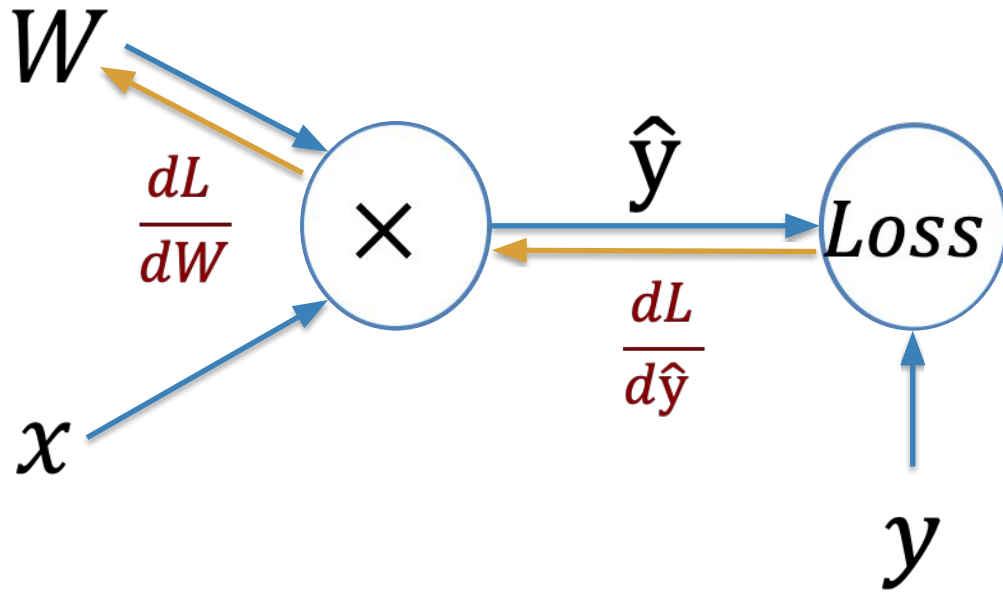
Gradient Descent Pseudocode

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for  $\bar{L}$  in  $\{0, \dots, \text{num\_epochs}\}$ :  
     $\bar{L} = 0$   
    for  $x_i, y_i$  in data:  
         $\hat{y}_i = f(x_i, W)$   
         $L += L_i(y_i, \hat{y}_i)$   
         $\frac{dL}{dW} =$  We know how to calculate this now!  
  
         $W := W - \alpha \frac{dL}{dW}$ 
```


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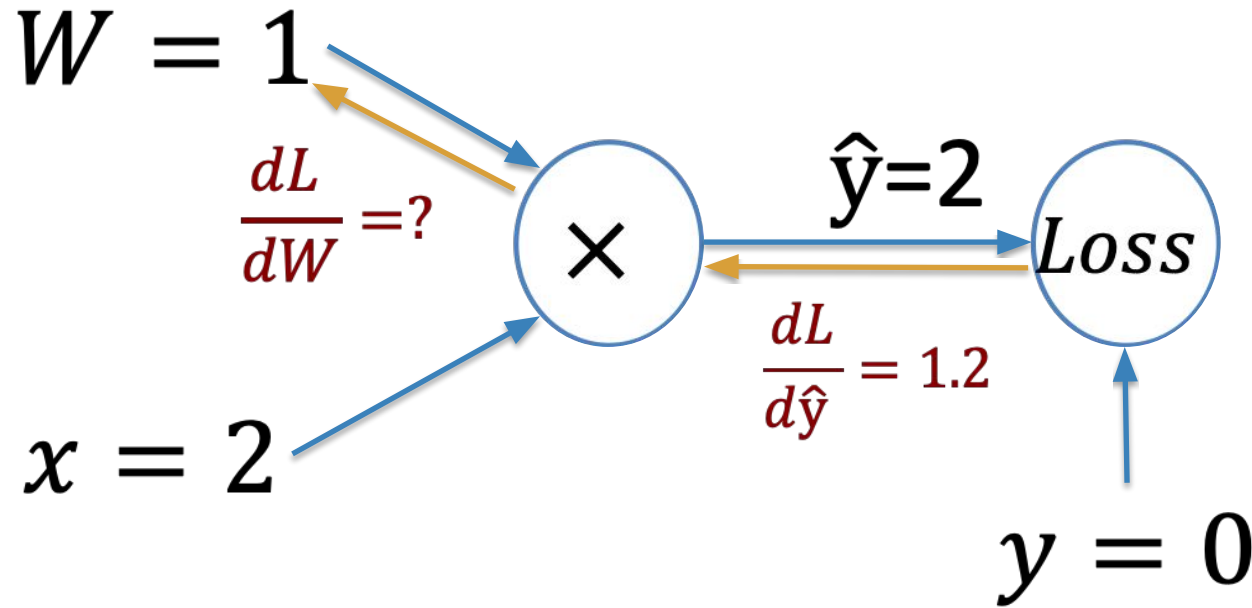
$$\hat{y} = Wx$$
$$L = \text{Loss}(\hat{y}, y)$$

$$\frac{dL}{dW} = \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \frac{d\hat{y}}{dW}$$

Key Insight:

- visualize the **computation as a graph**
- Compute the **forward pass** to calculate the loss.
- Compute all **gradients** for each computation **backwards**

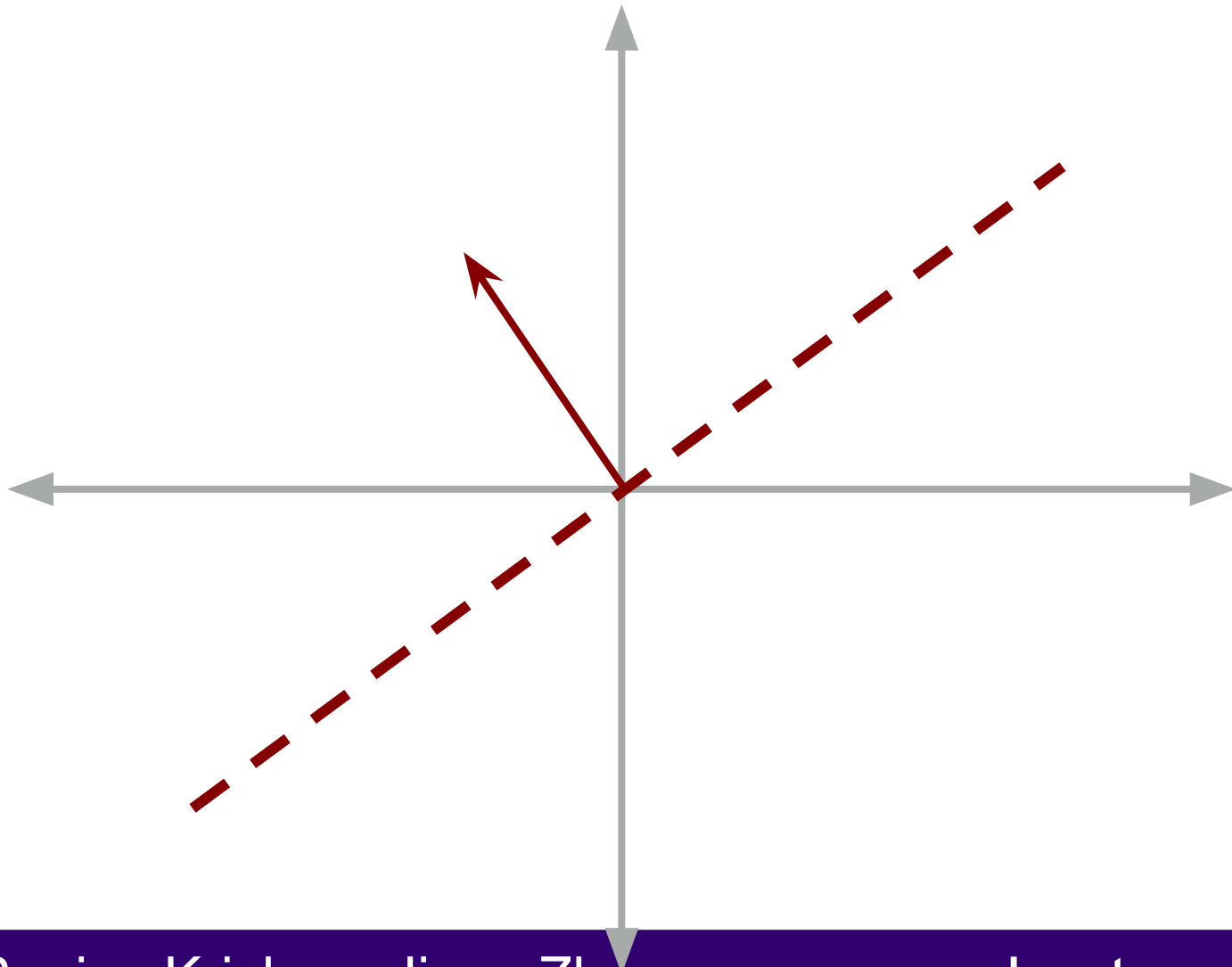
Backprop example in 1D:



We know the chain rule

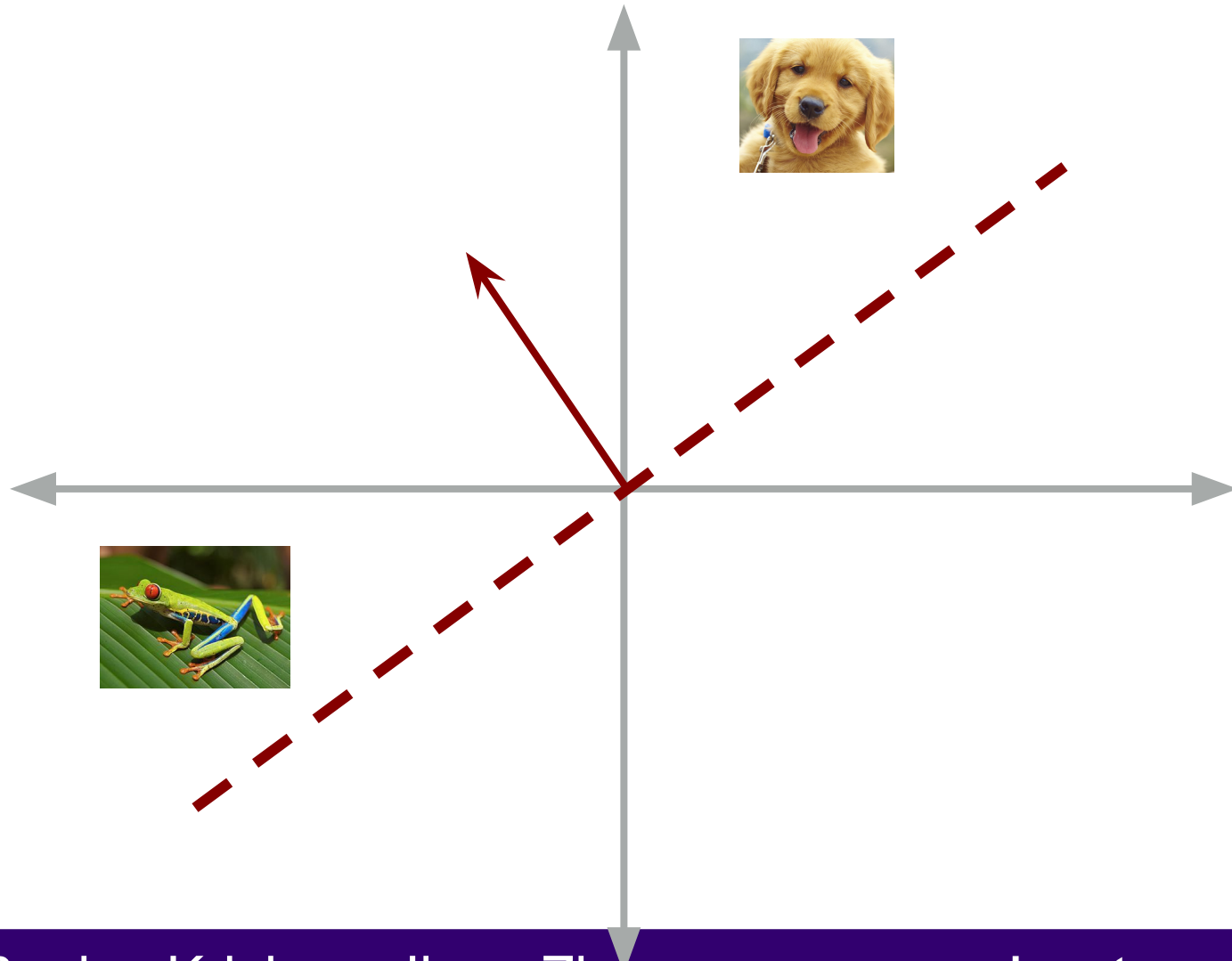
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dL}{dW} &= \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} \frac{d\hat{y}}{dW} \\ &= \frac{dL}{d\hat{y}} x \\ &= 1.2x \\ &= 1.2 \times 2 \\ &= 2.4\end{aligned}$$

Interpreting the weights **geometrically**



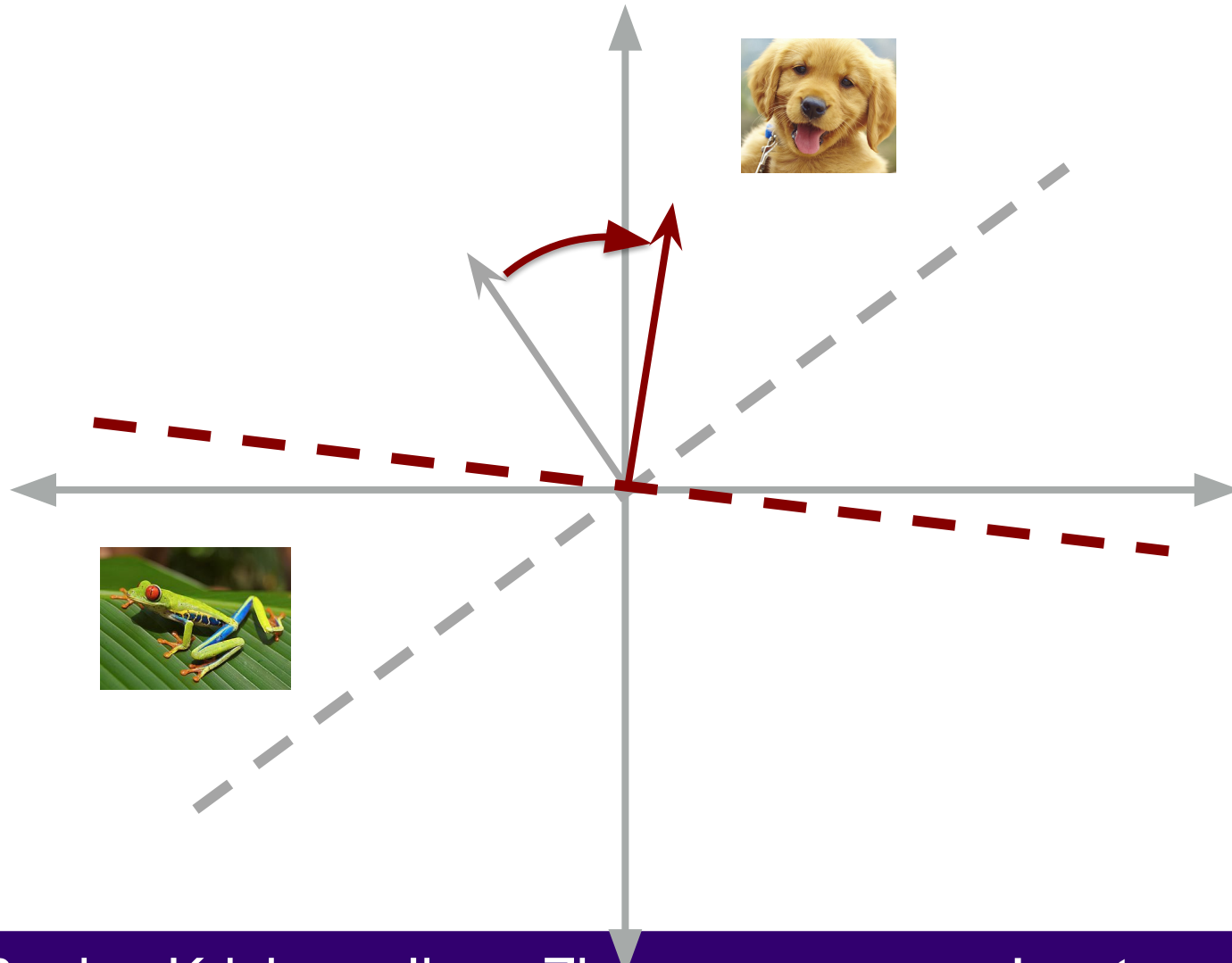
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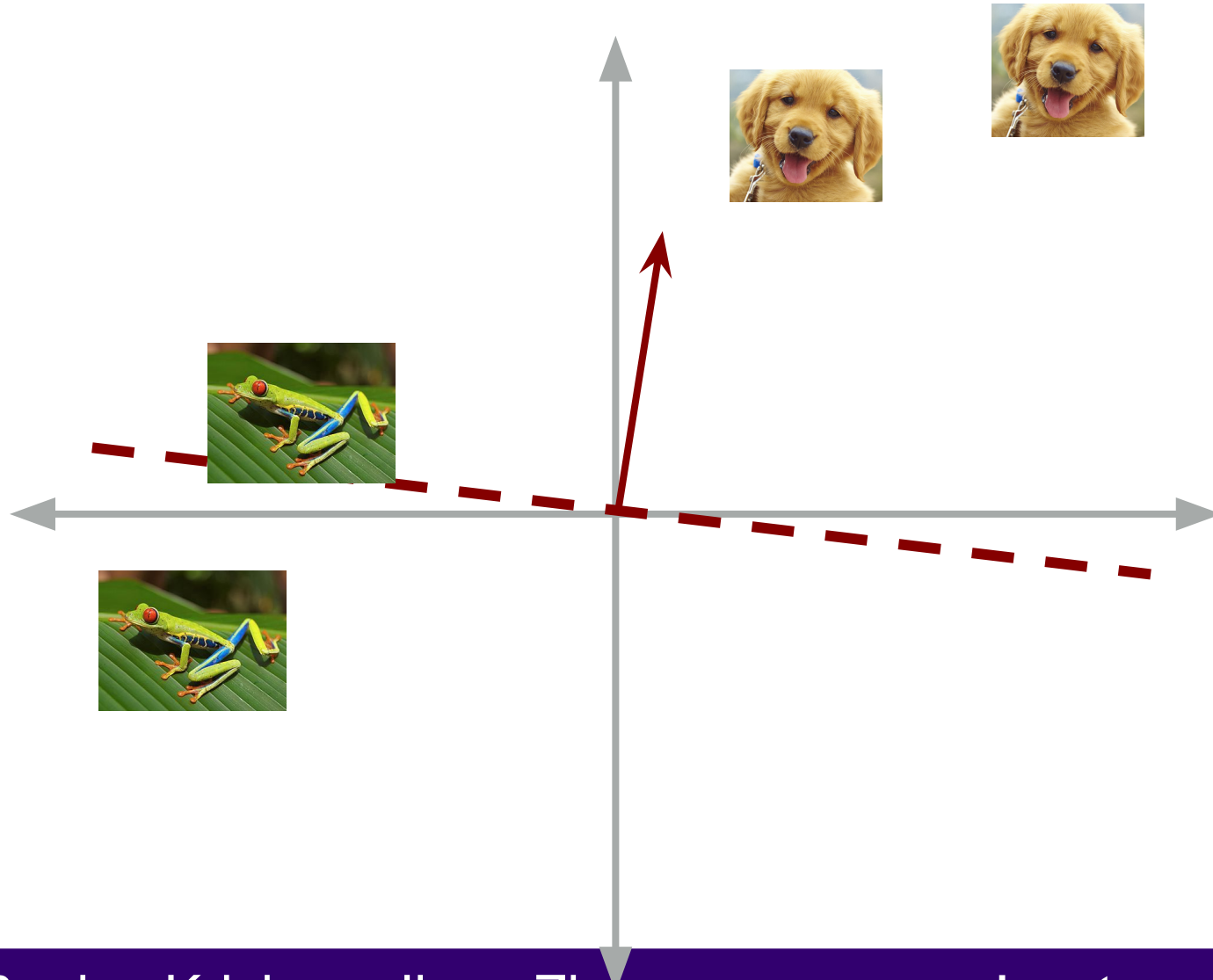
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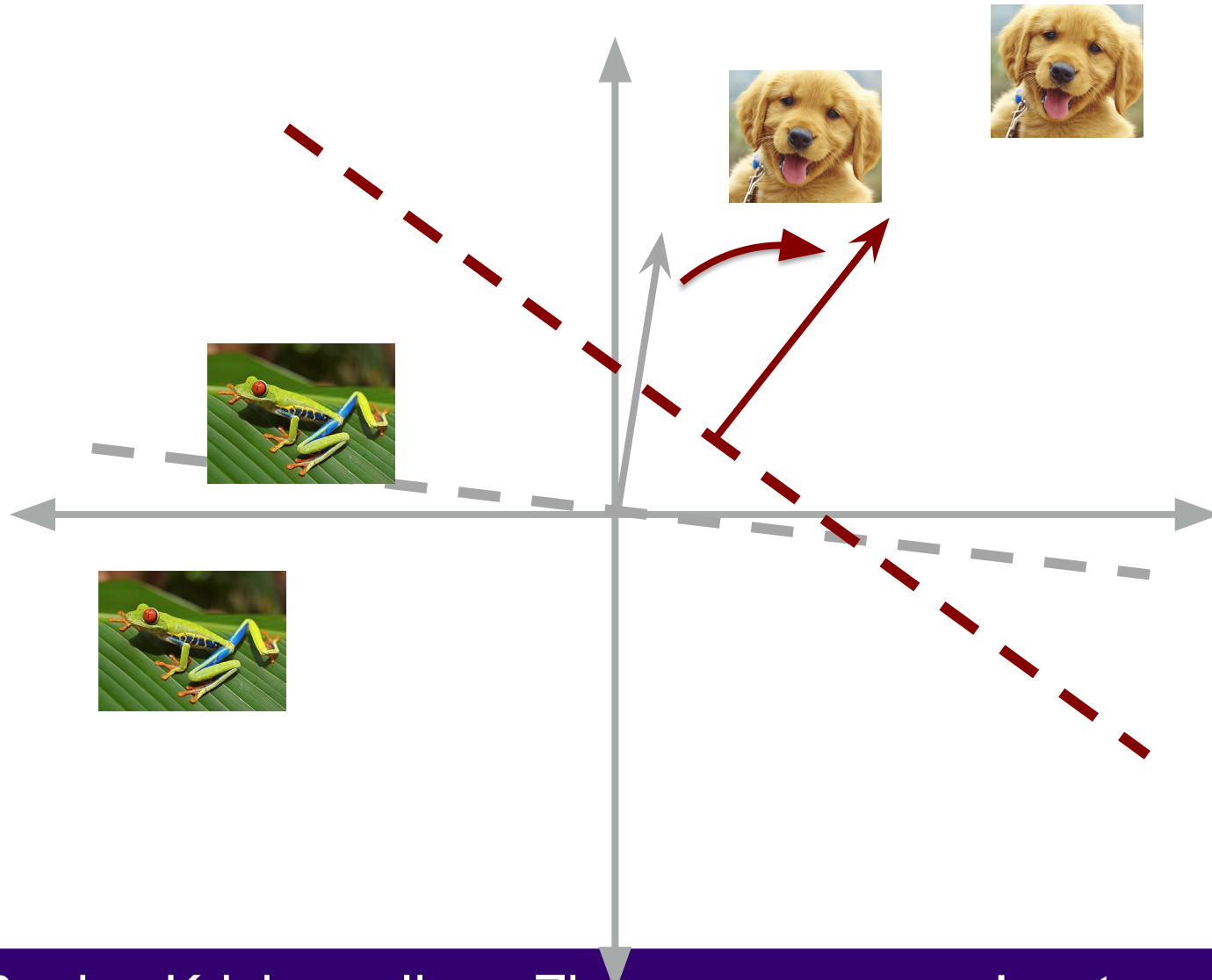
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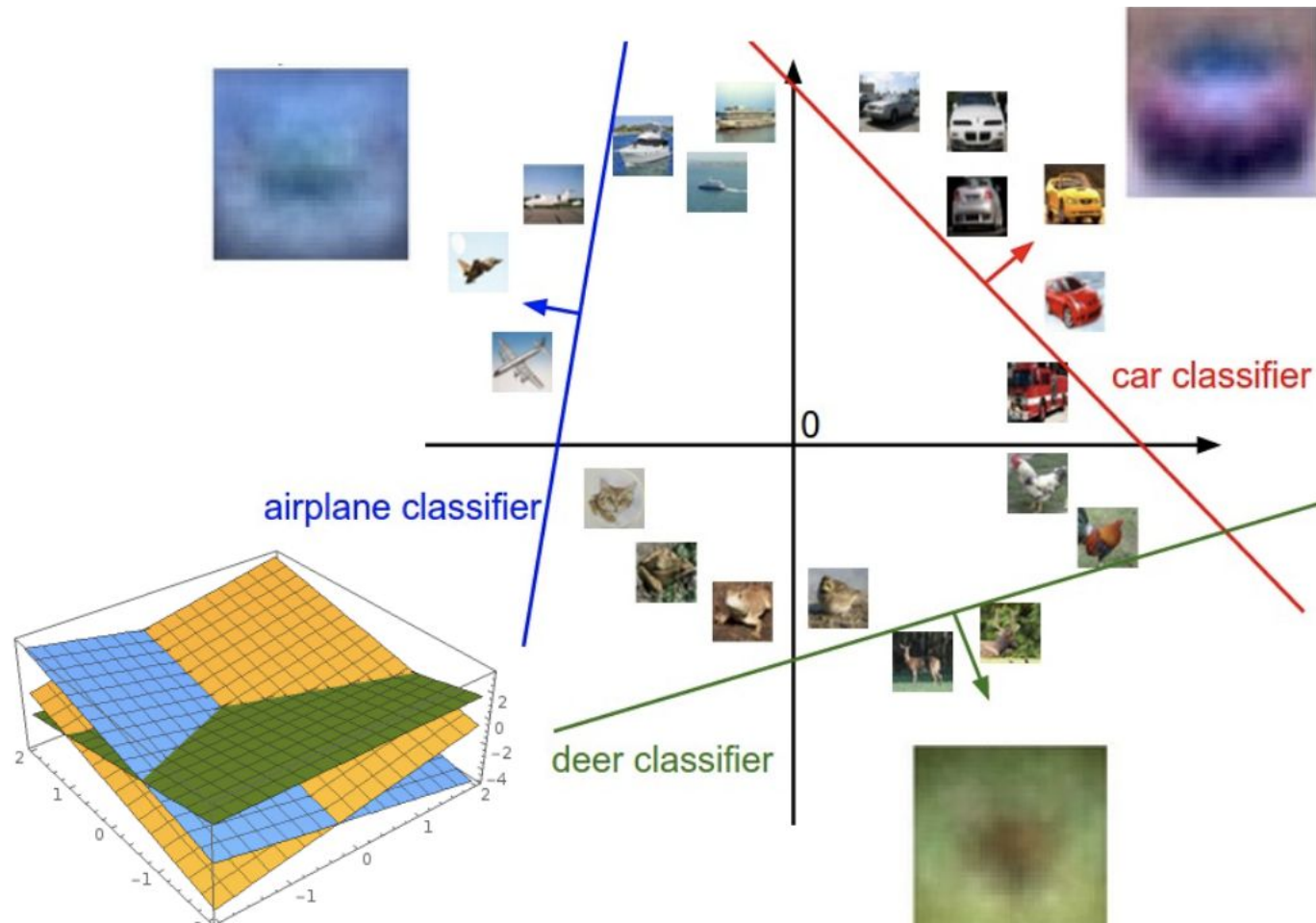
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- Update the weights

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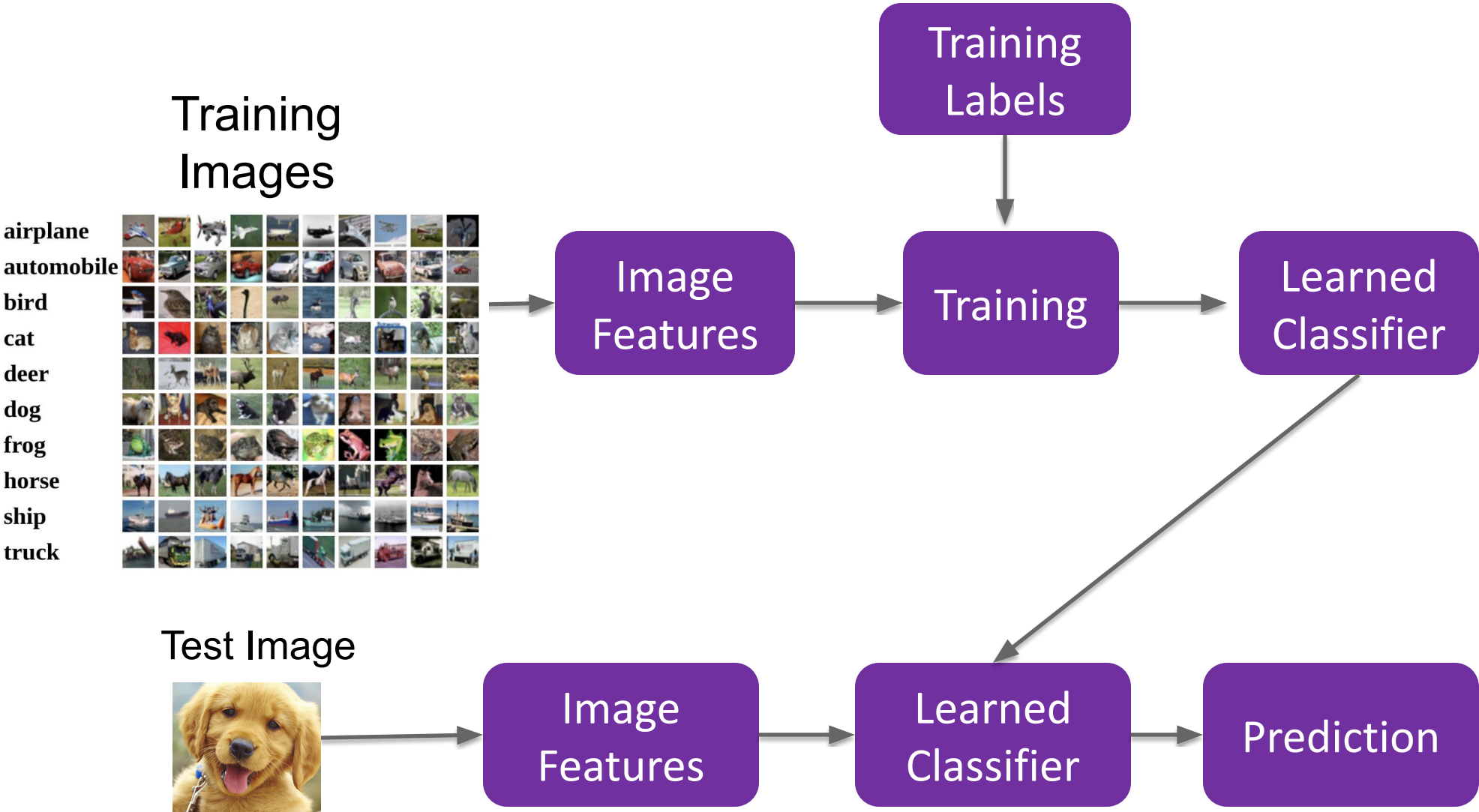
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Today's agenda

- Perceptron
- Linear classifier
- Loss function
- Gradient descent and backpropagation
- **Neural networks**

A simple recognition pipeline



Recall: we can **featurize** images into a vector

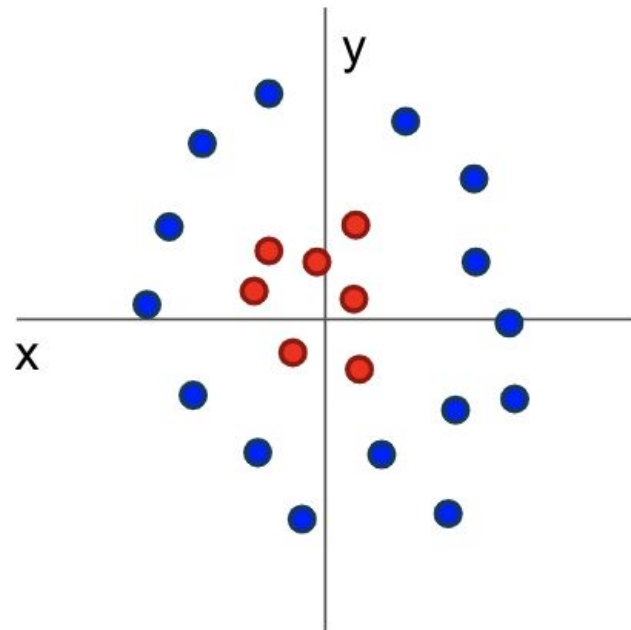


- Raw pixels
- Raw pixels + (x,y)
- PCA
- LDA
- BoW
- BoW + spatial pyramids

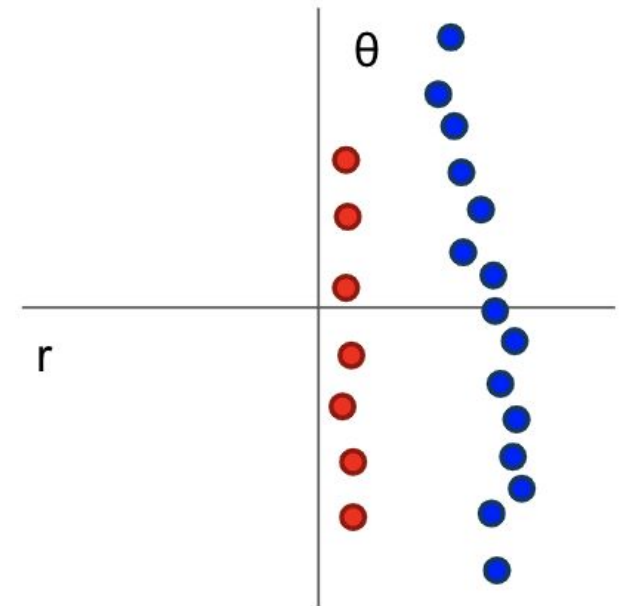
Image
Vector



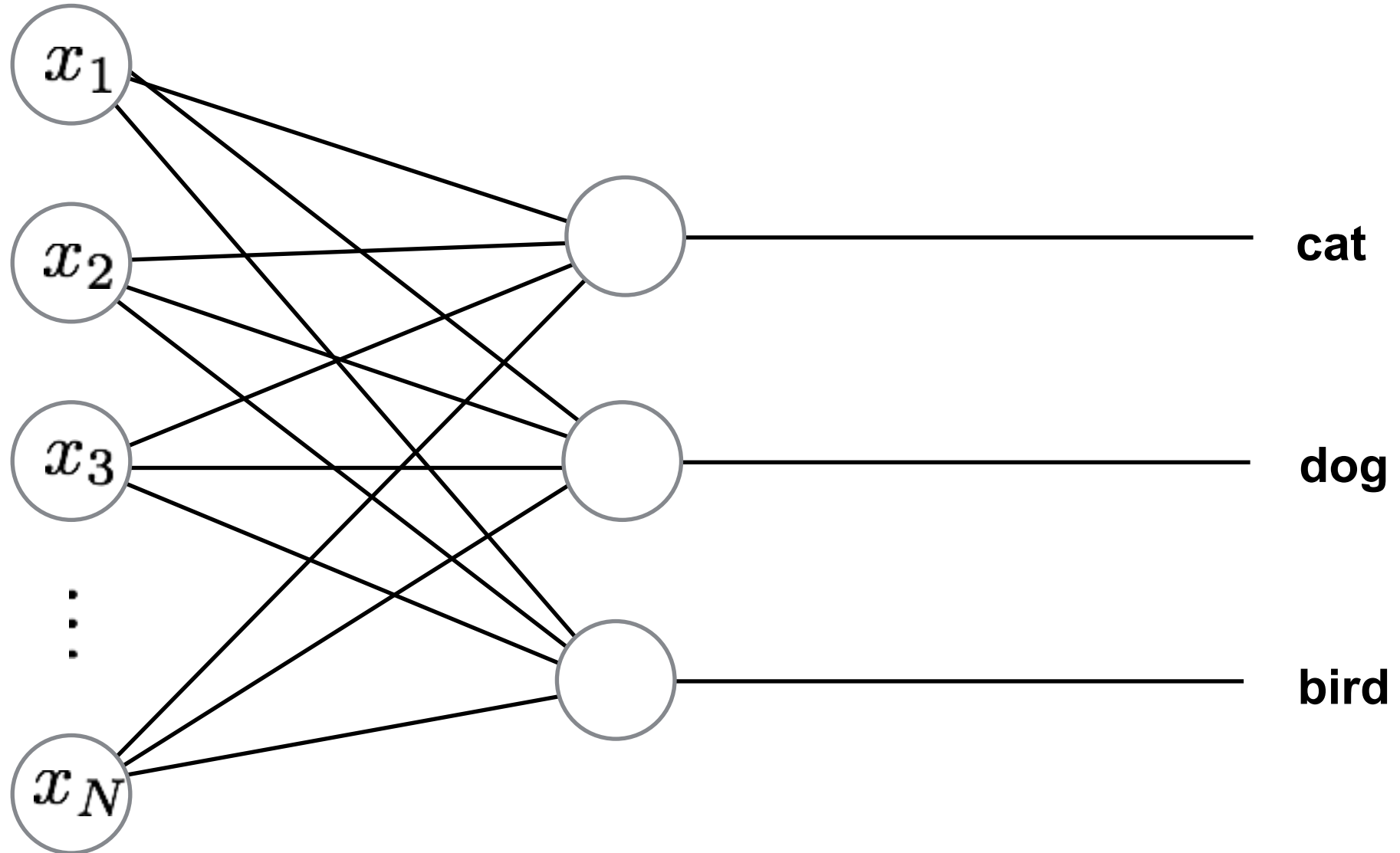
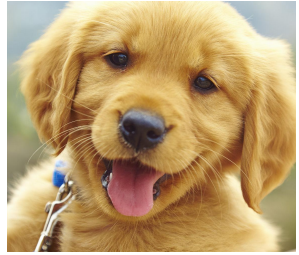
Features sometimes might not be linearly separable



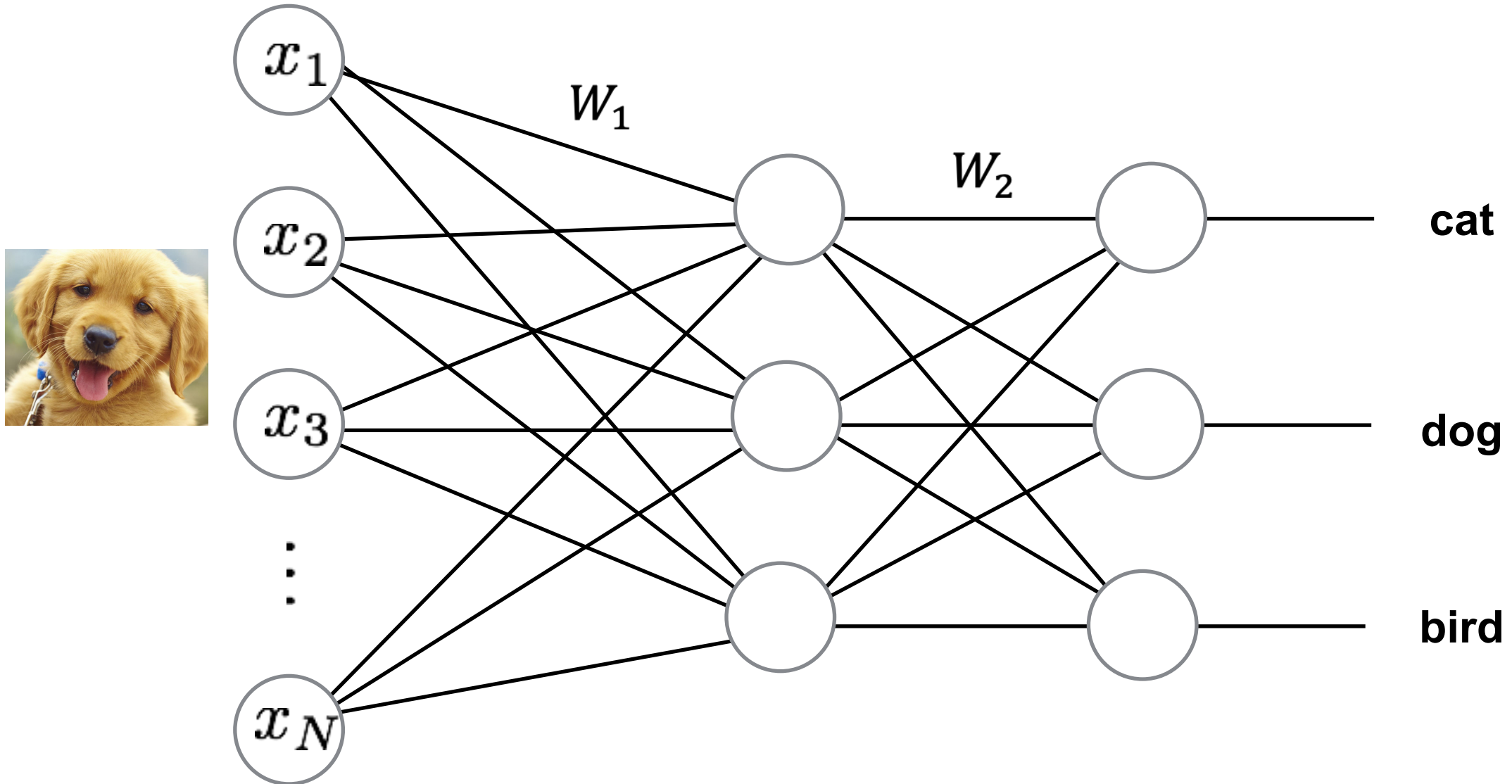
$$f(x, y) = (r(x, y), \theta(x, y))$$



Remember our linear classifier



Let's change the features by adding another layer



2-layer network: mathematical formula

- Linear classifier: $y = Wx$
- 2-layer network: $y = W_2 \max(0, W_1 x)$
- 3-layer network: $y = W_3 \max(0, W_2 \max(0, W_1 x))$

The number of layers is a new hyperparameter!

2-layer network: mathematical formula

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We know the size of $x = 1 \times 3072$ and $y = 10 \times 1$, so what are **W_1** and **W_2**

$$W_1 = h \times 3072 \quad W_2 = 10 \times h$$

h is a new hyperparameter!

2-layer network: mathematical formula

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Why is the $\max(0, _)$ necessary? Let's see what happen when we remove it:

$$y = W_2 W_1 x = Wx$$

Where: $W = W_2 W_1$

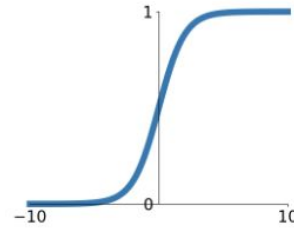
Activation function

The non-linear max function allows models to learn more complex transformations for features.

Choosing the right activation function is another new hyperparameter!

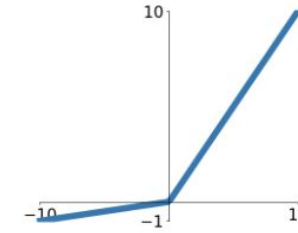
Sigmoid

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



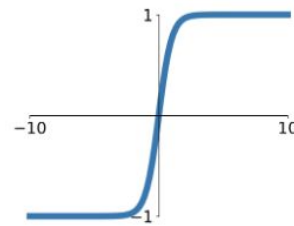
Leaky ReLU

$$\max(0.1x, x)$$



tanh

$$\tanh(x)$$

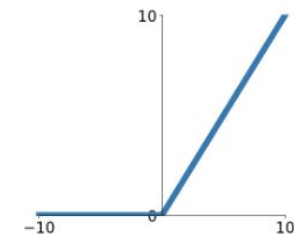


Maxout

$$\max(w_1^T x + b_1, w_2^T x + b_2)$$

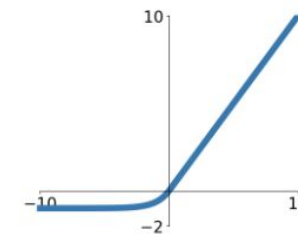
ReLU

$$\max(0, x)$$



ELU

$$\begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ \alpha(e^x - 1) & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



2-layer neural network performance

- ~40% accuracy on CIFAR-10 test
 - Best class: Truck (~60%)
 - Worst class: Horse (~16%)
- Check out the model at: [**https://tinyurl.com/cifar10**](https://tinyurl.com/cifar10)

Next lecture

Deep learning for CV