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24 Backpropagation

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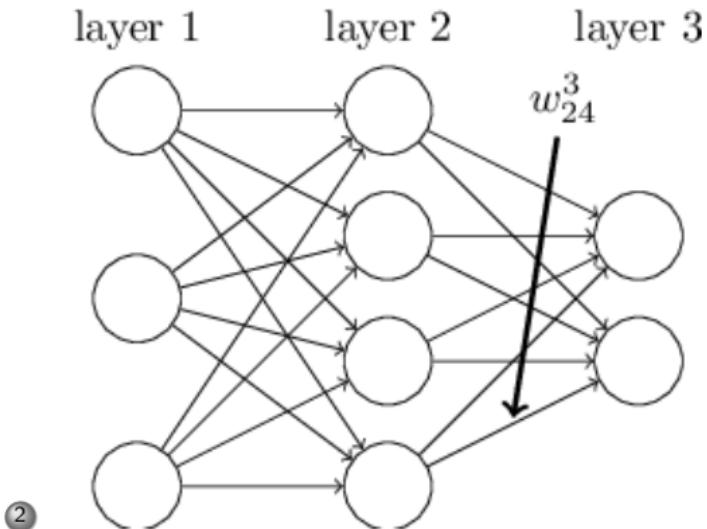
$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla^T f_1 \\ \vdots \\ \nabla^T f_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

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- For applying Gradient descent, we need gradient of individual sample loss with respect to all the model parameters

$$l_n = l(f(x_n; W, \mathbf{b}), y_n)$$

$\frac{\partial l_n}{\partial W_{jk}^{(l)}}$ and $\frac{\partial l_n}{\partial \mathbf{b}_j^{(l)}}$ for all layers l

Forward pass operation

$$x^{(0)} = x \xrightarrow{W^{(1)}, \mathbf{b}^{(1)}} s^{(1)} \xrightarrow{\sigma} x^{(1)} \xrightarrow{W^{(2)}, \mathbf{b}^{(2)}} s^{(2)} \dots x^{(L-1)} \xrightarrow{W^{(L)}, \mathbf{b}^{(L)}} s^{(L)} \xrightarrow{\sigma} x^{(L)} = f(x; W, \mathbf{b})$$

Formally, $x^{(0)} = x, f(x; W, \mathbf{b}) = x^{(L)}$

$$\forall l = 1, \dots, L \quad \begin{cases} s^{(l)} &= W^{(l)}x^{(l-1)} + \mathbf{b}^{(l)} \\ x^{(l)} &= \sigma(s^{(l)}) \end{cases}$$

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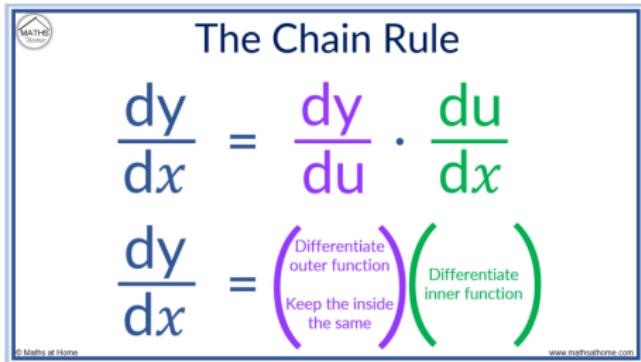


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The graphic is titled "The Chain Rule" and features two representations of the rule. The first is a standard mathematical equation: $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$. The second is a visual representation using two nested parentheses. The left parenthesis is purple and contains the text "Differentiate outer function" above it and "Keep the inside the same" below it. The right parenthesis is green and contains the text "Differentiate inner function". The entire graphic is framed by a blue border.

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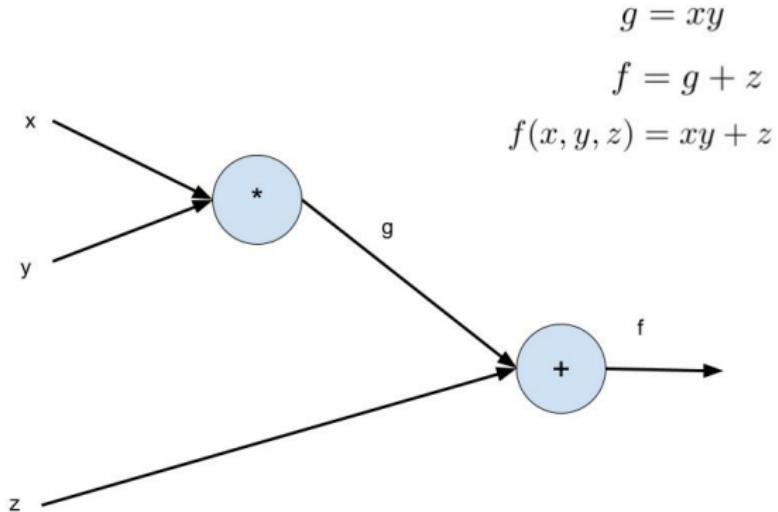
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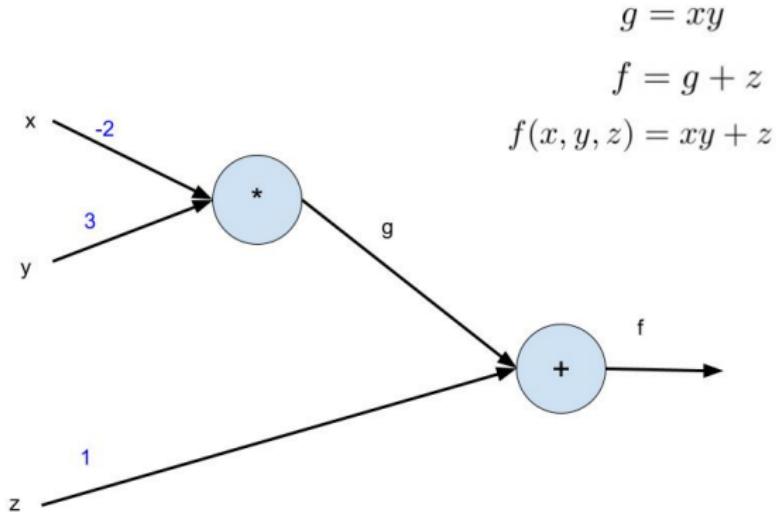
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① $f(x) = e^{\sin(x^2)}$, let's find $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$

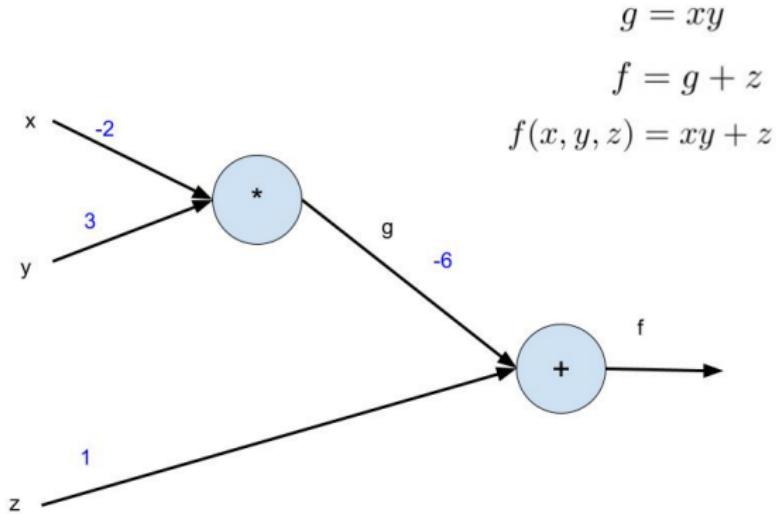
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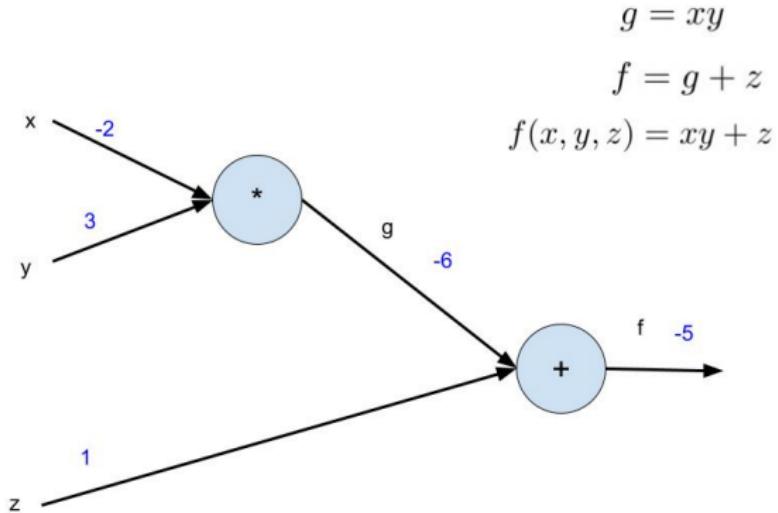
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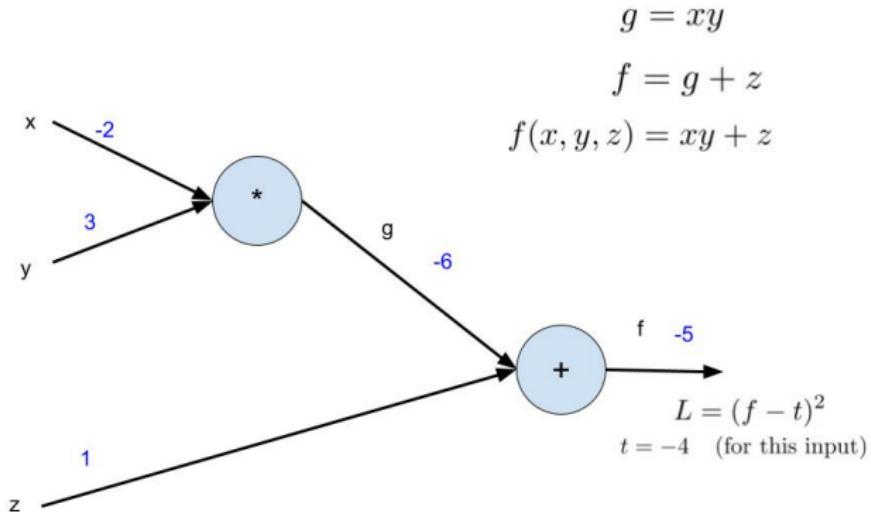
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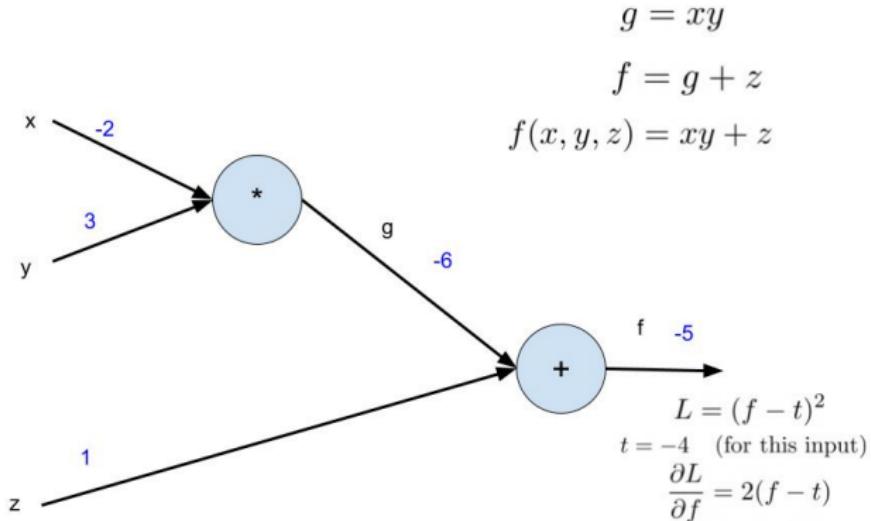
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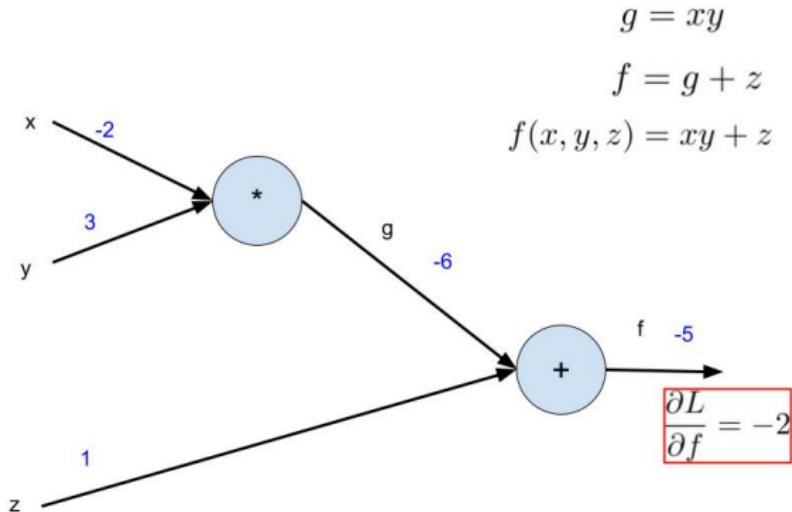
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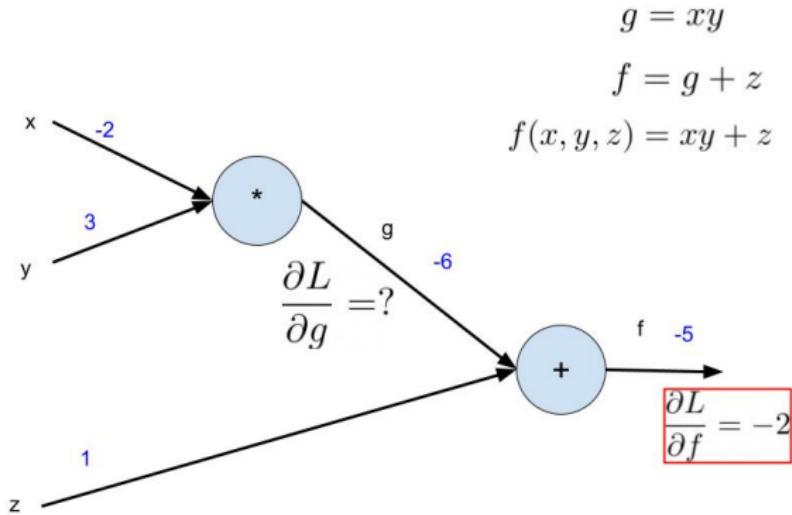
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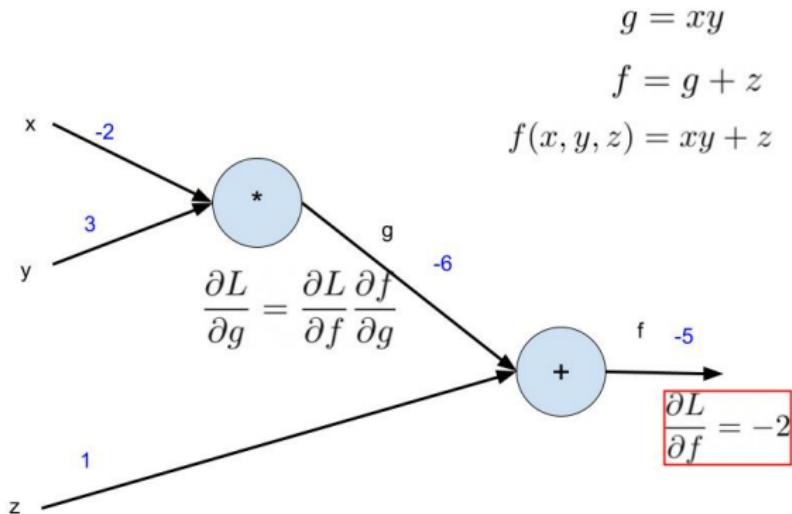
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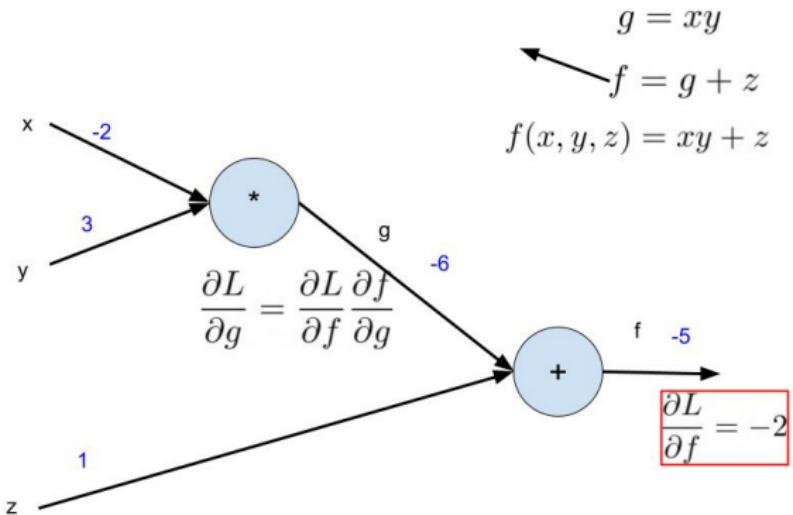
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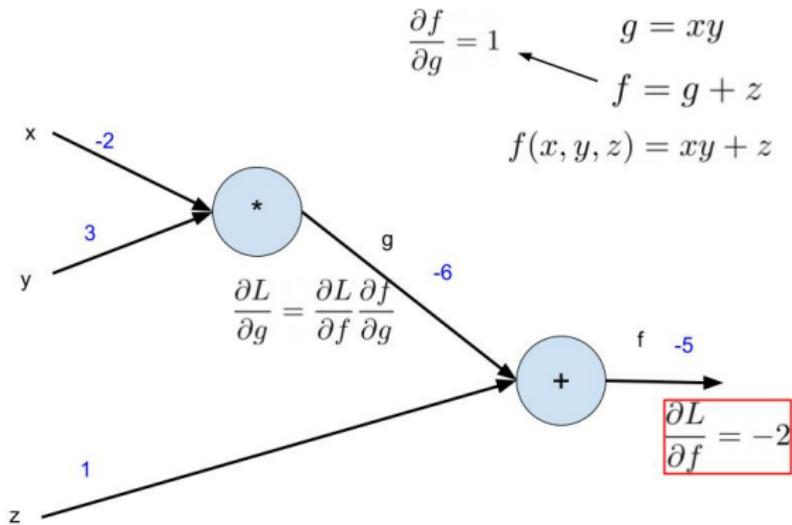
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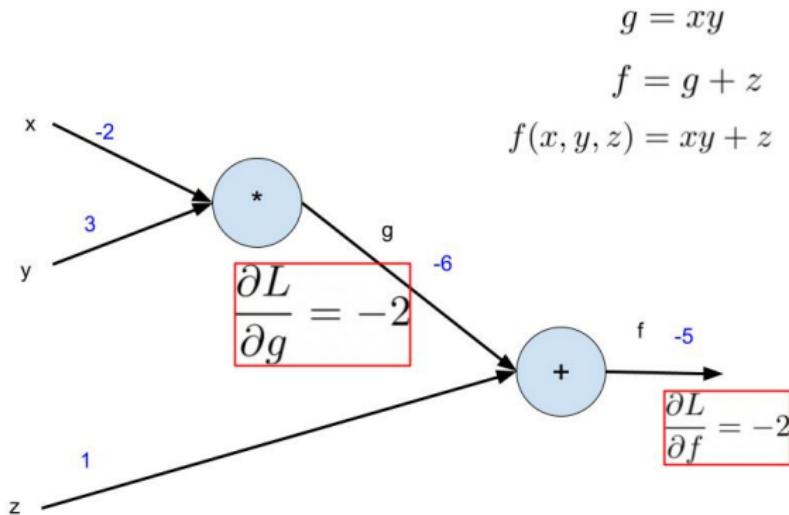
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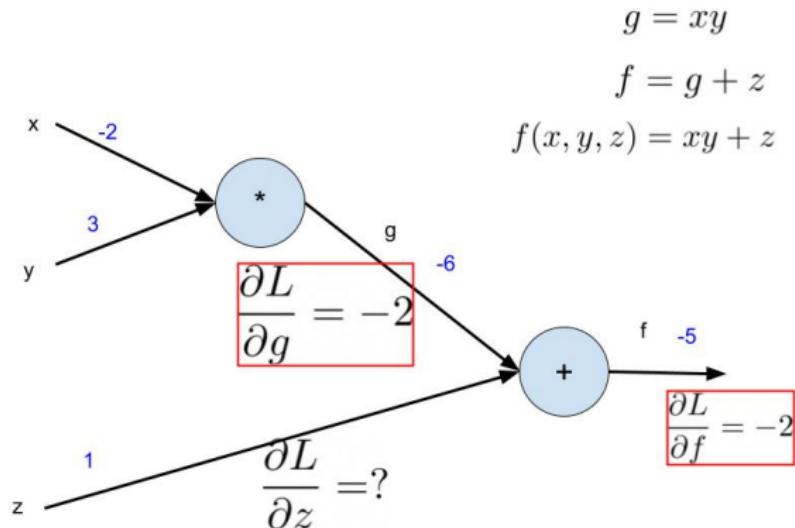
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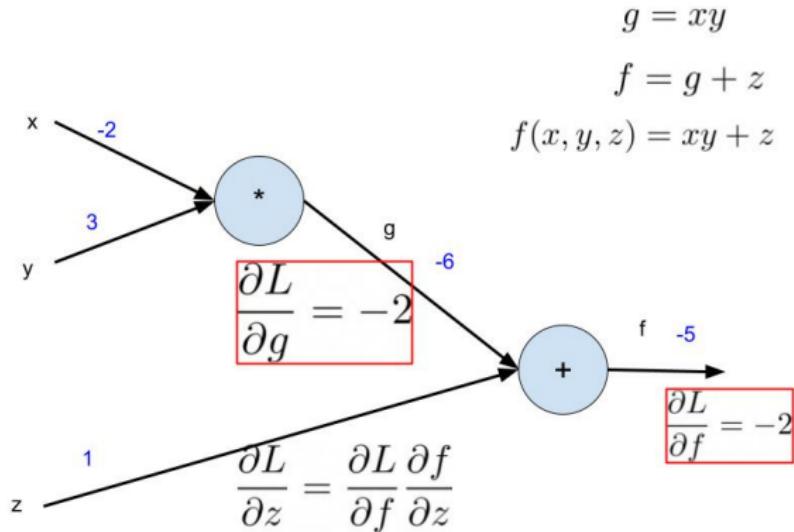
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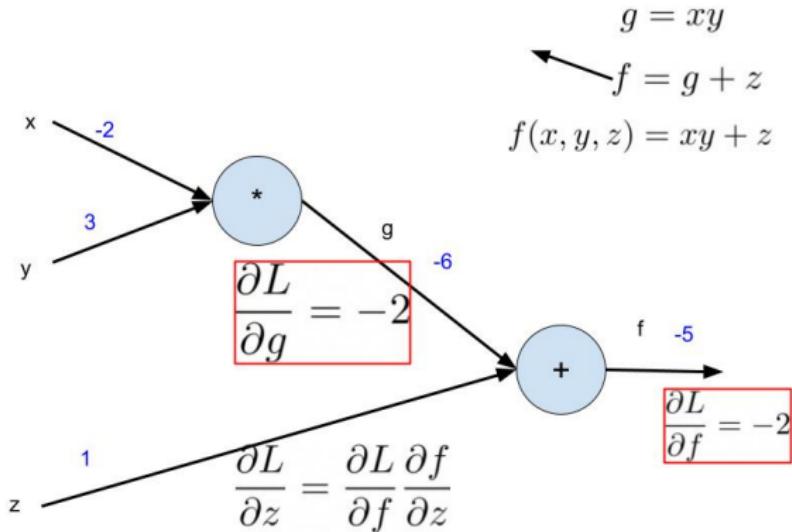
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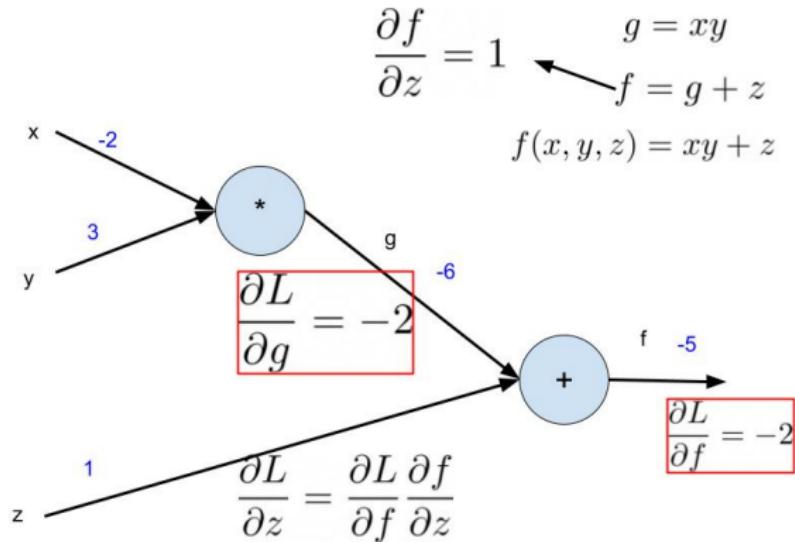
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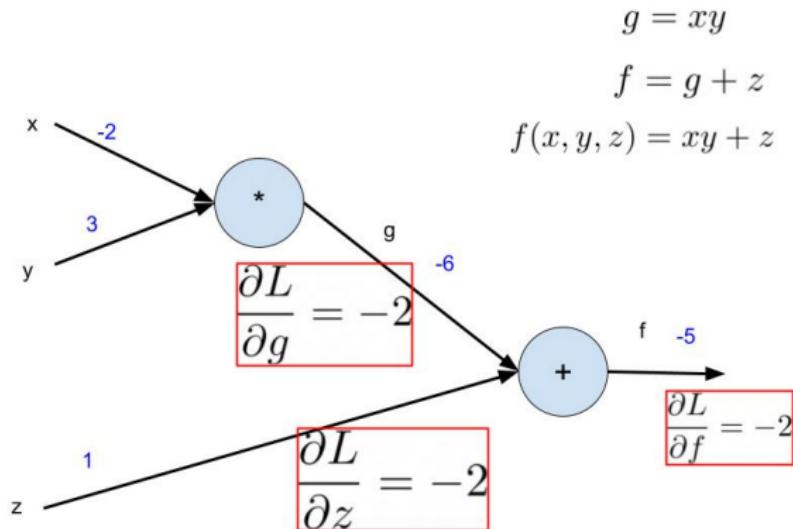
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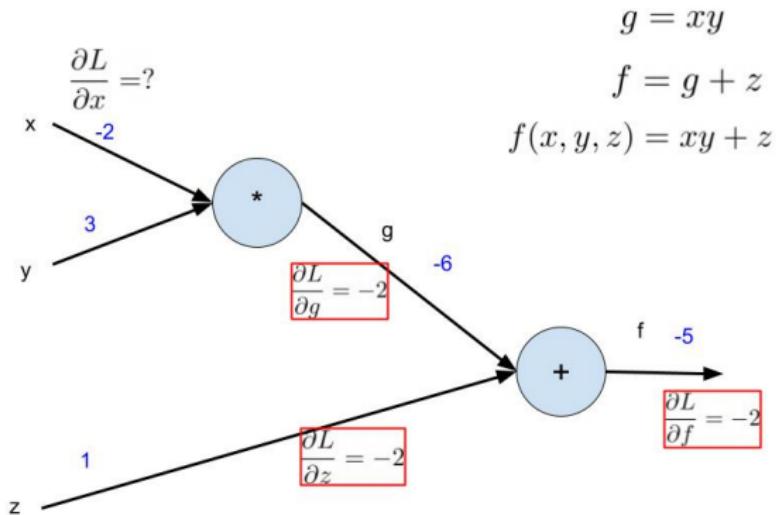
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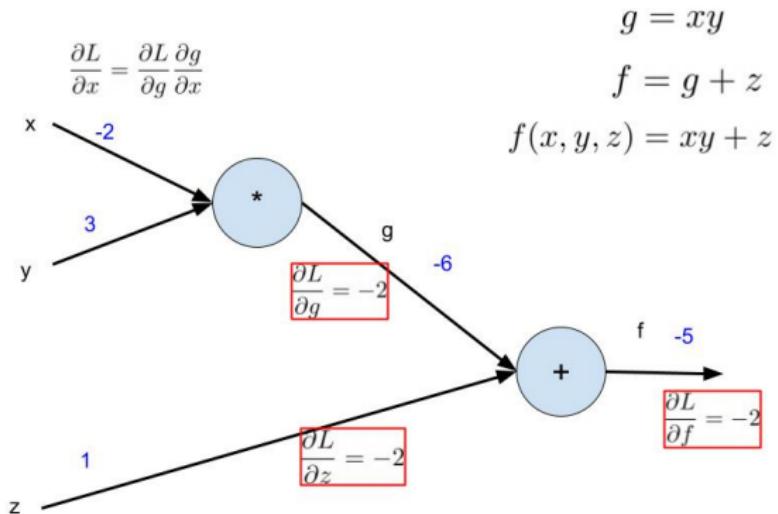
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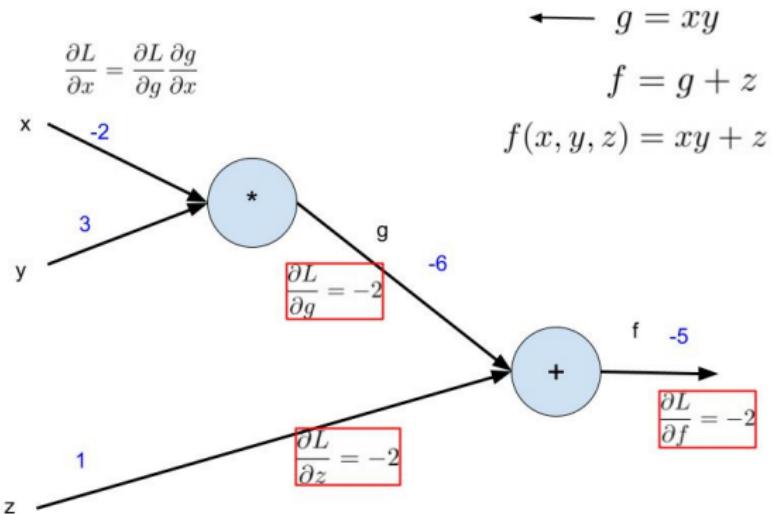
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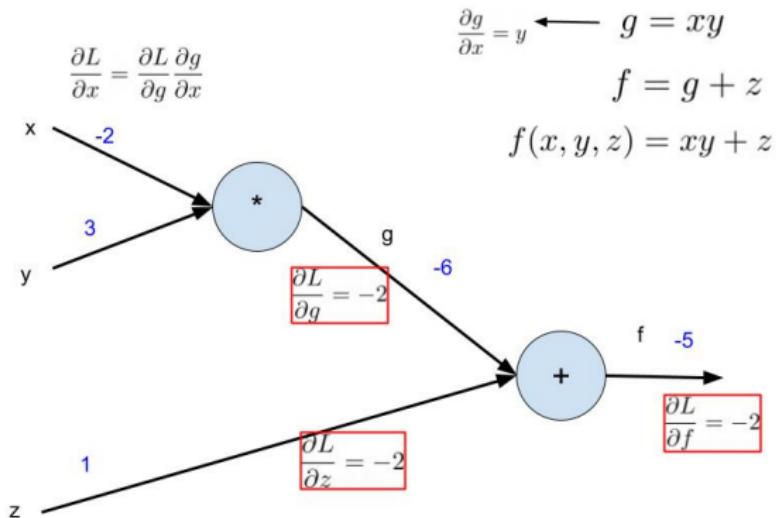
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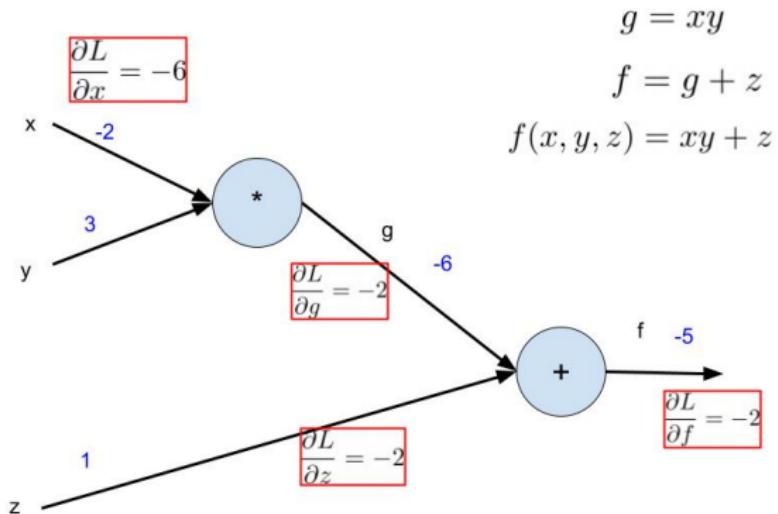
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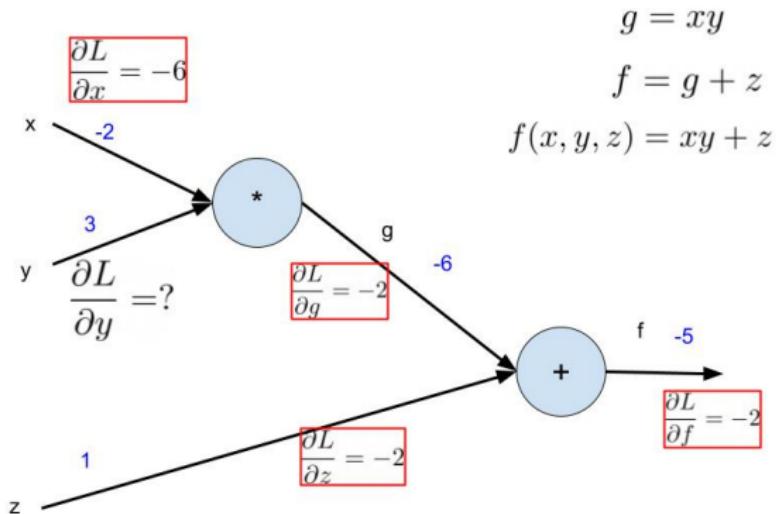
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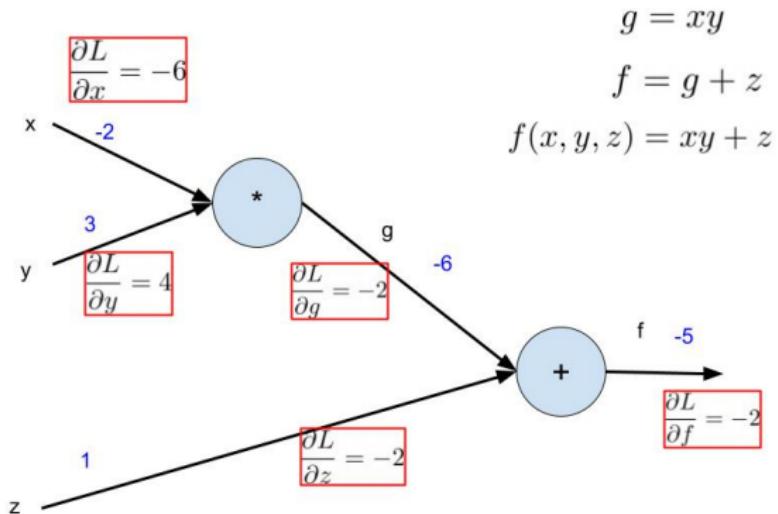
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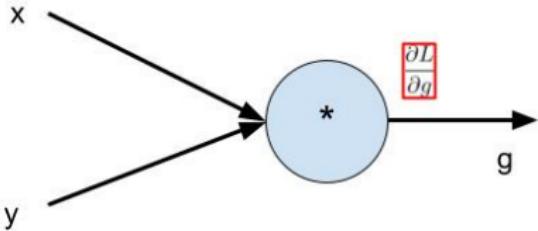
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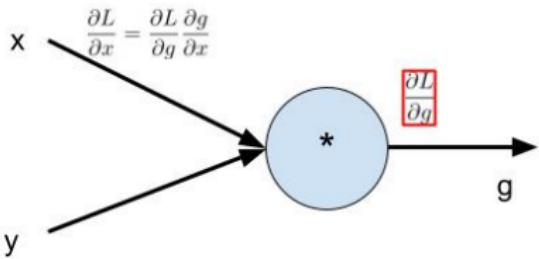
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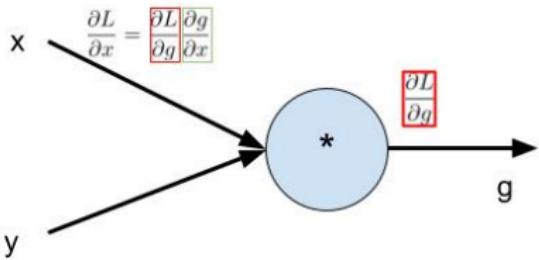
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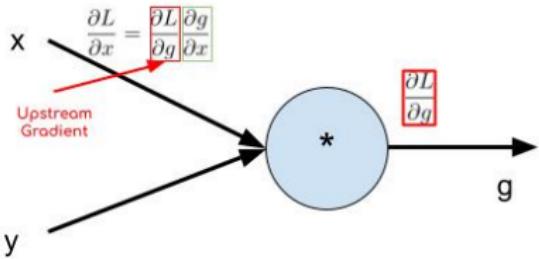
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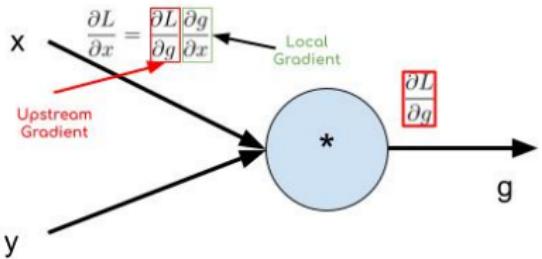
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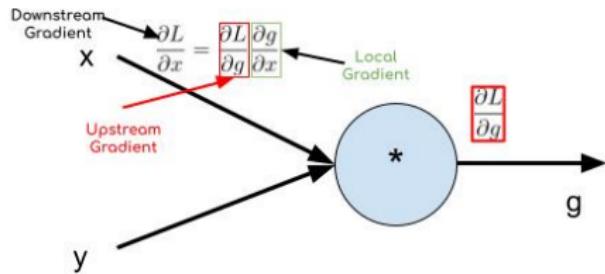
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Chain rule of differential calculus for an MLP



$$J_{f_N \circ f_{N-1} \circ \dots f_1(x)} = J_{f_N(f_{N-1}(\dots f_1(x)))} \cdot J_{f_{N-1}(f_{N-2}(\dots f_1(x)))} \cdot \dots \cdot J_{f_2(f_1(x))} \cdot J_{f_1(x)}$$

$J_{f(x)}$ is Jacobian of f computed at x .

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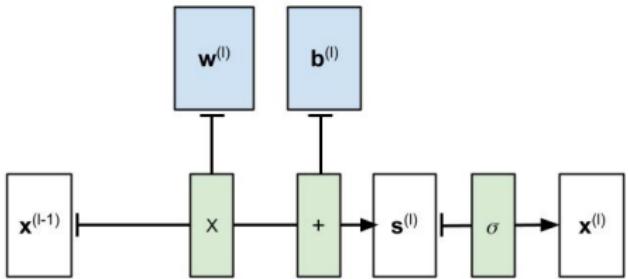
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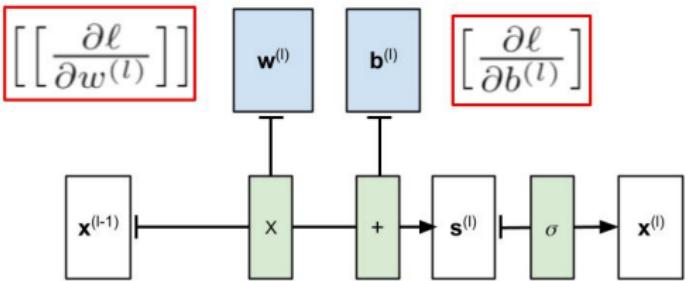
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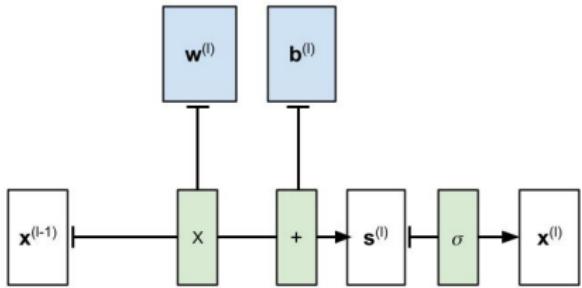
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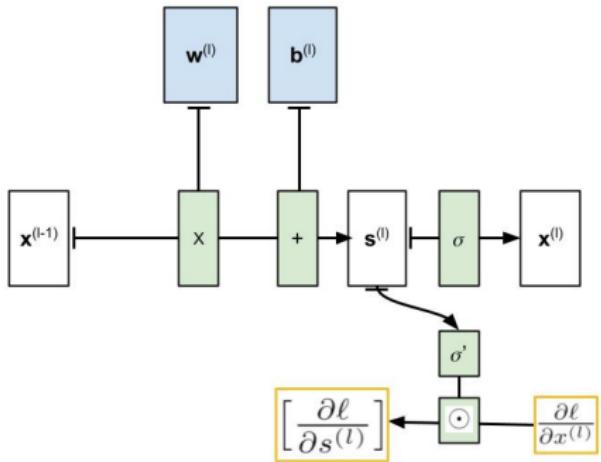


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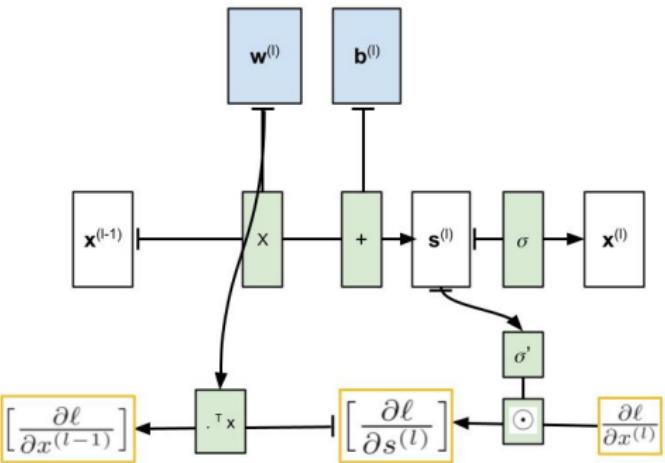


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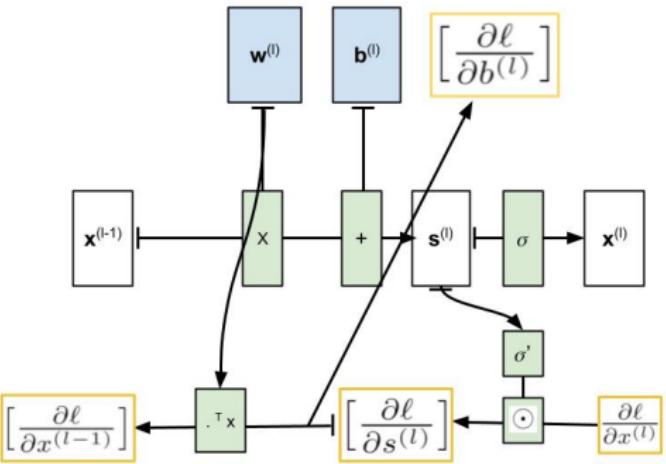
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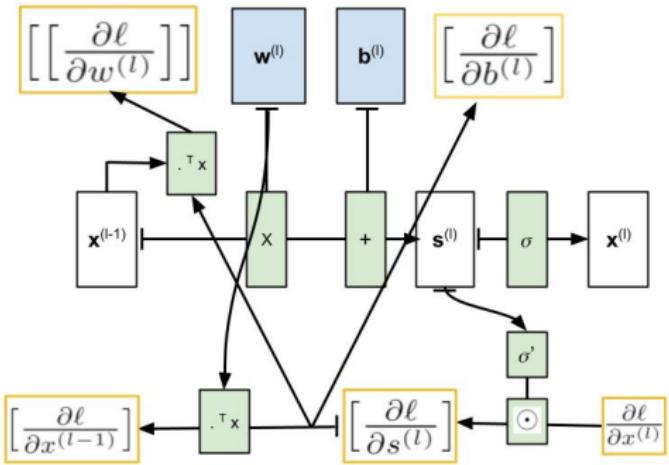
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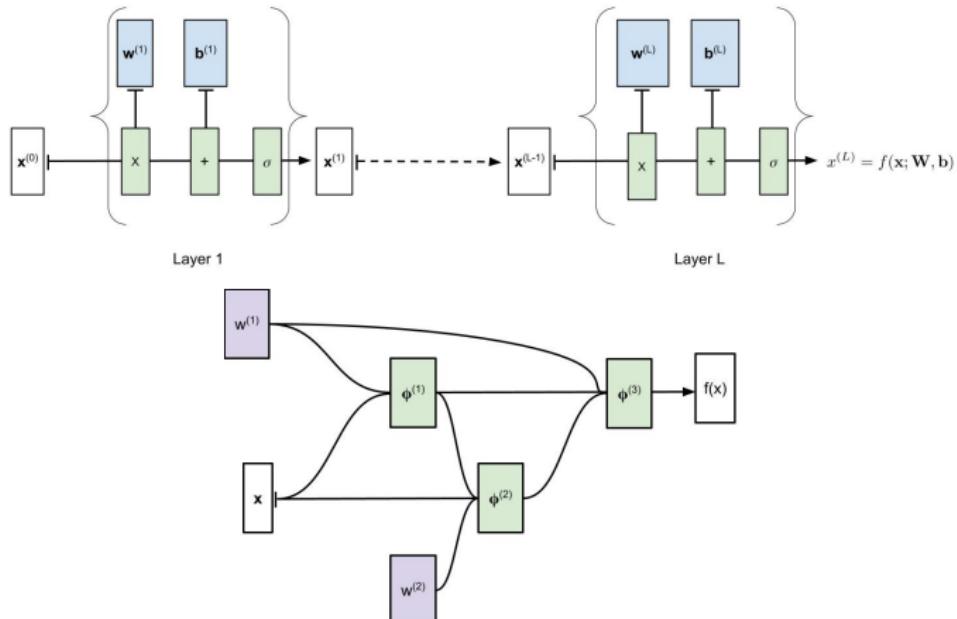
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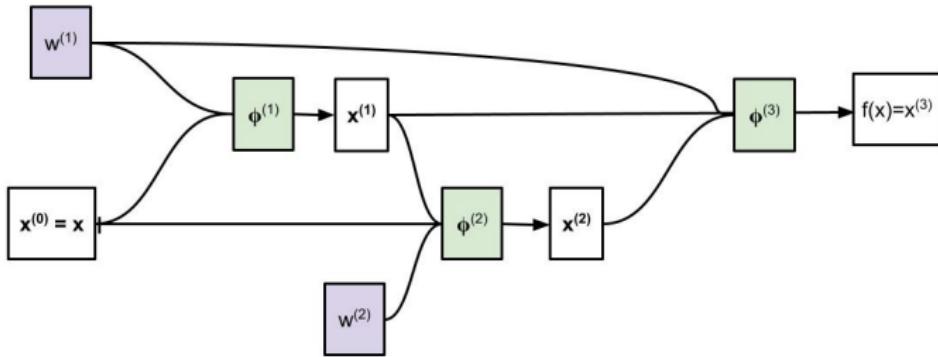
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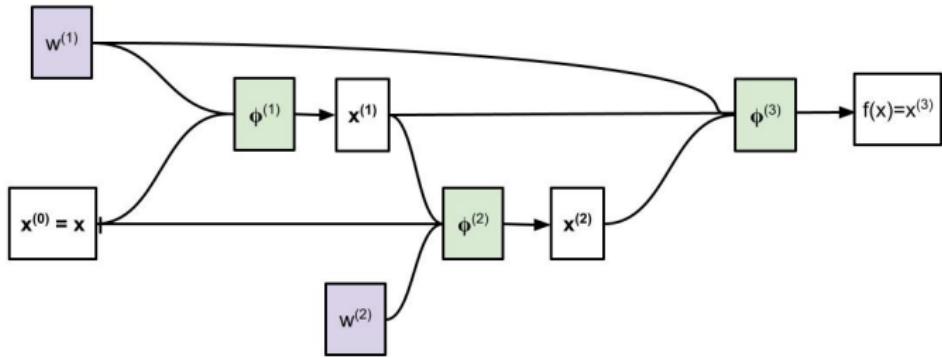
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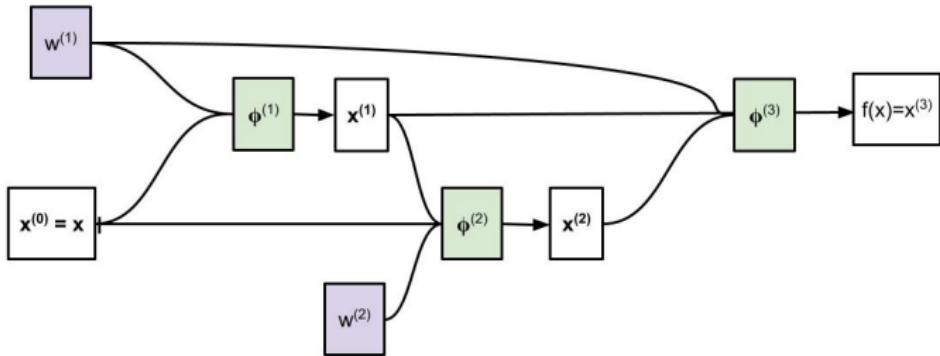
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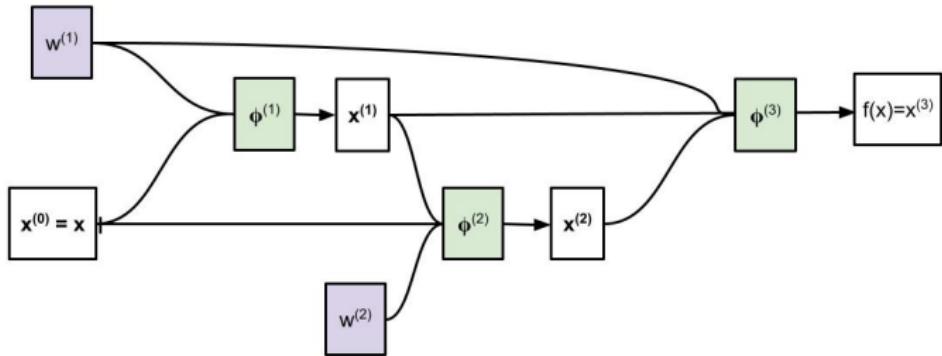
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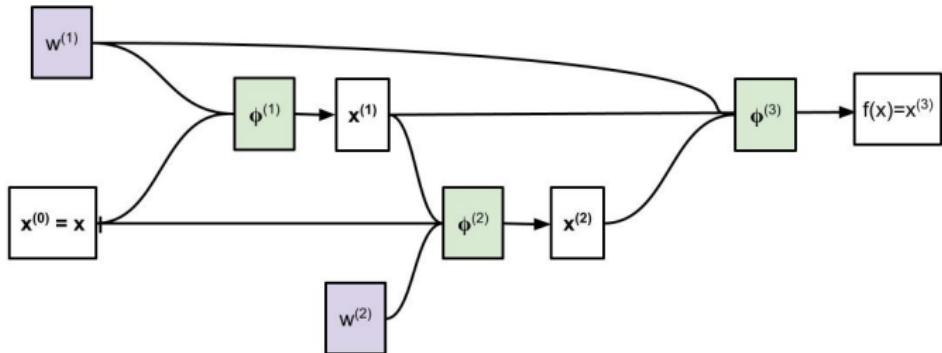
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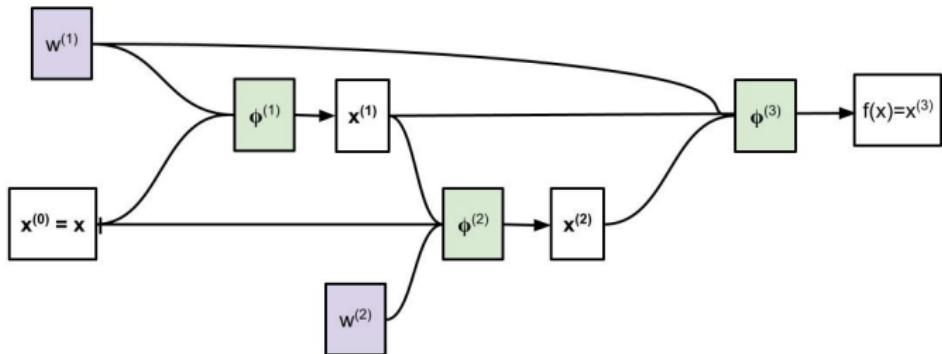
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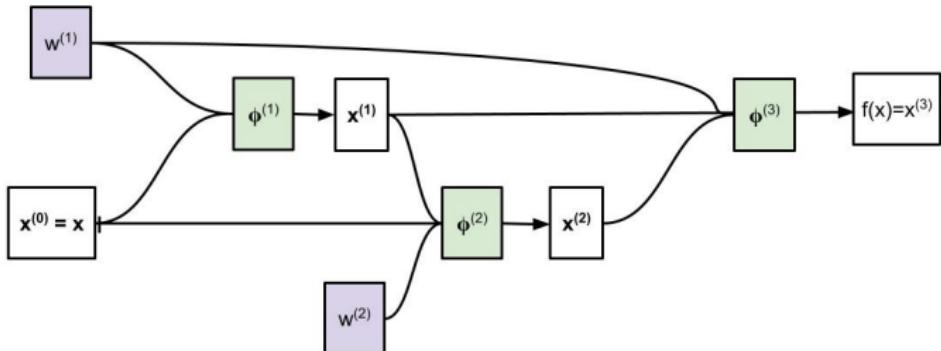
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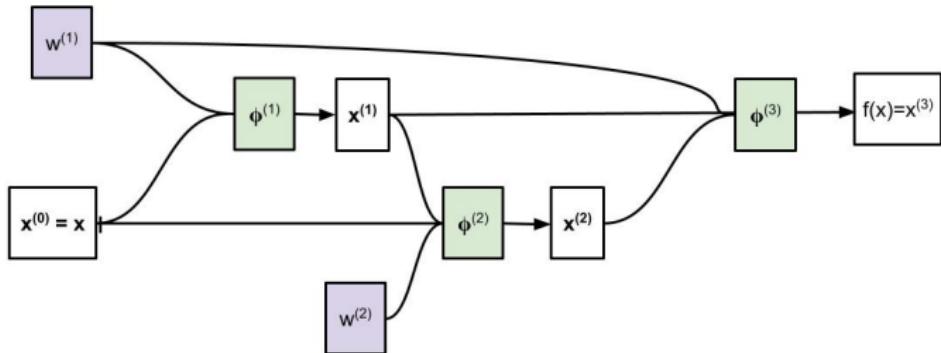


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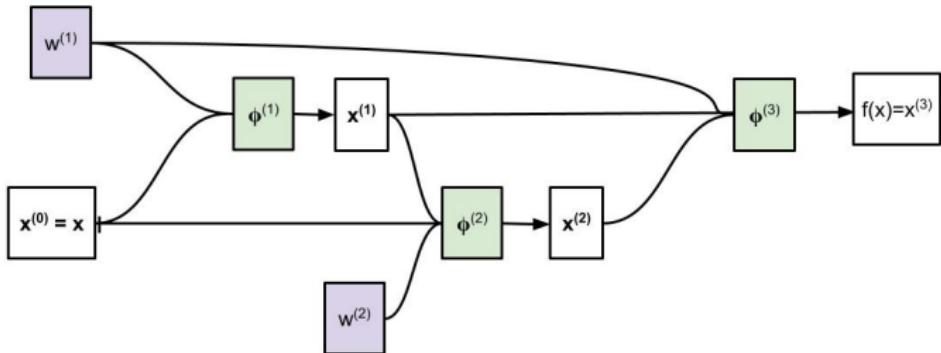
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