

Demystifying AI

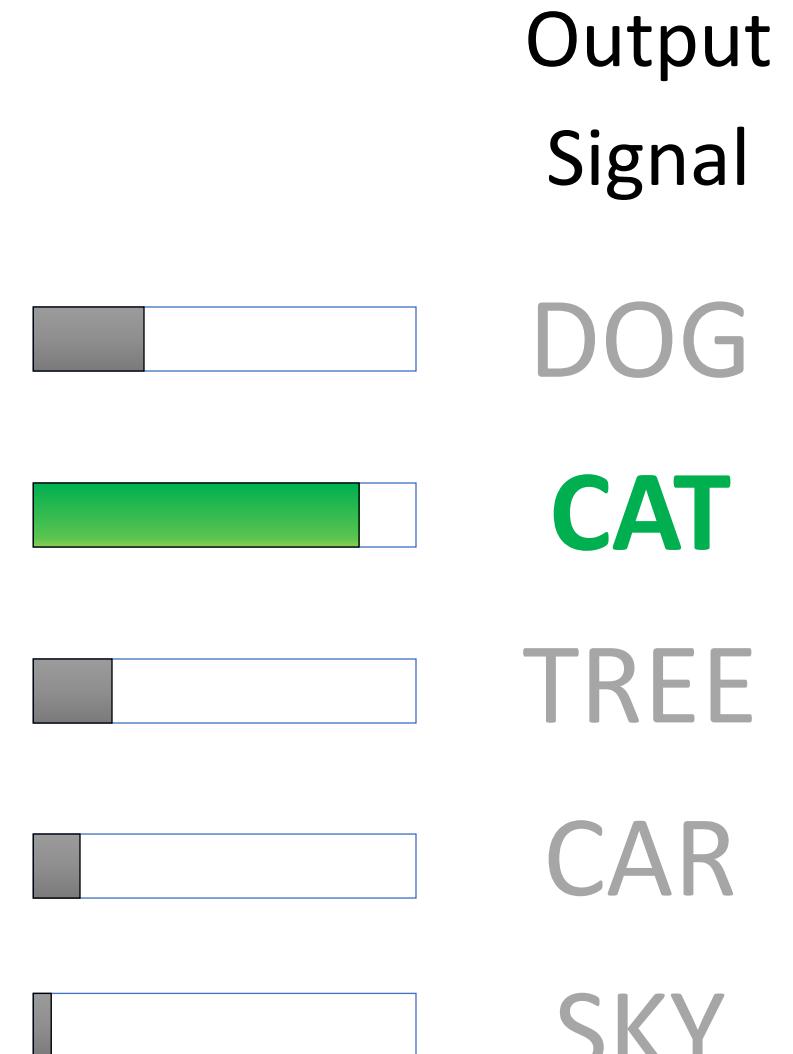
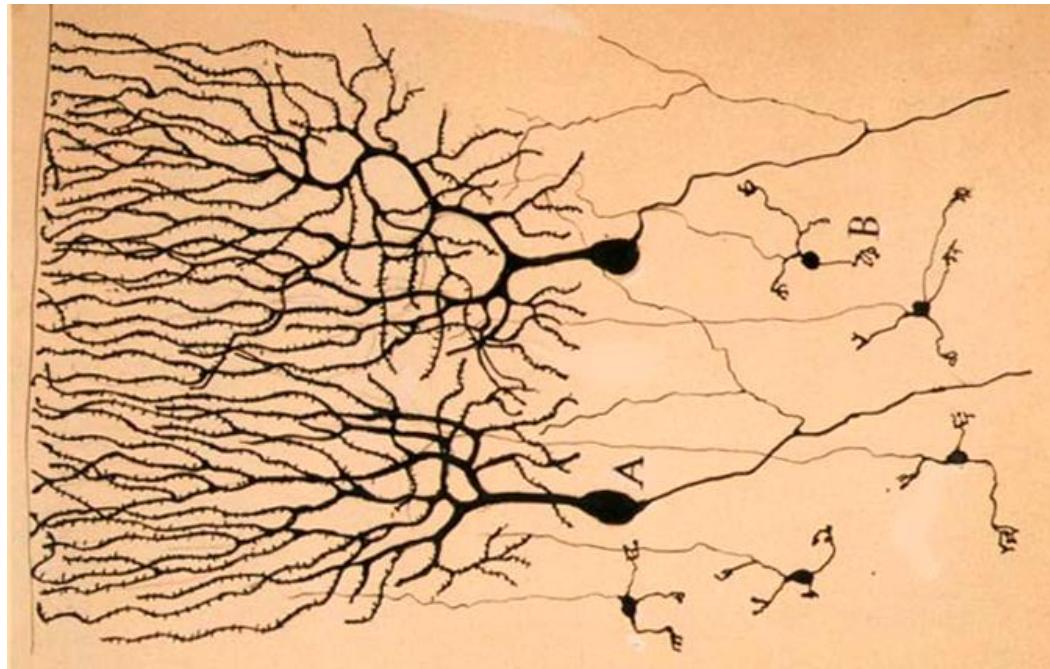
Neural Network
Optimization

Instructor: Pat Virtue

Neural Networks

Inspired by actual human brain

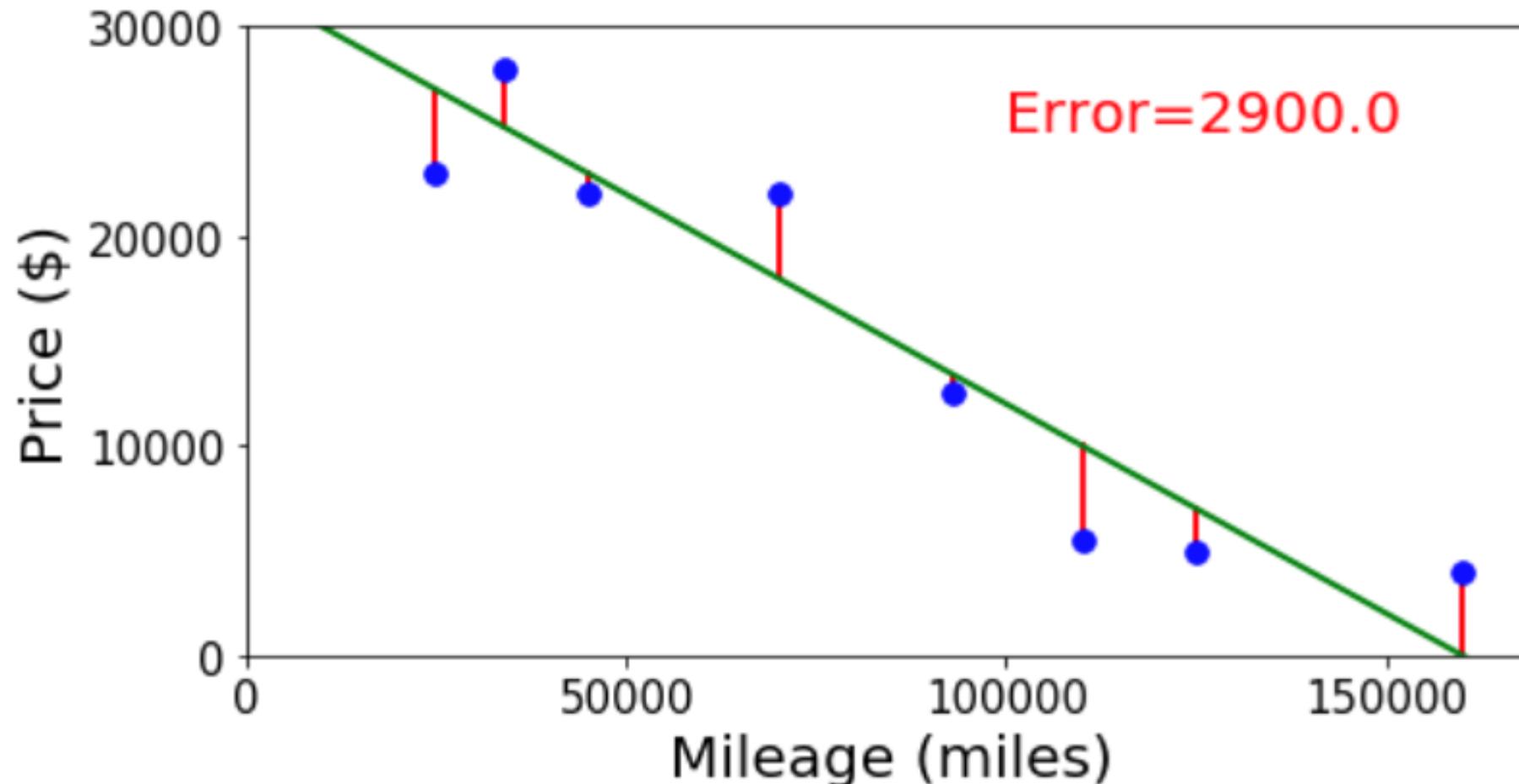
Input
Signal



Neural Networks

Simple single neuron example:

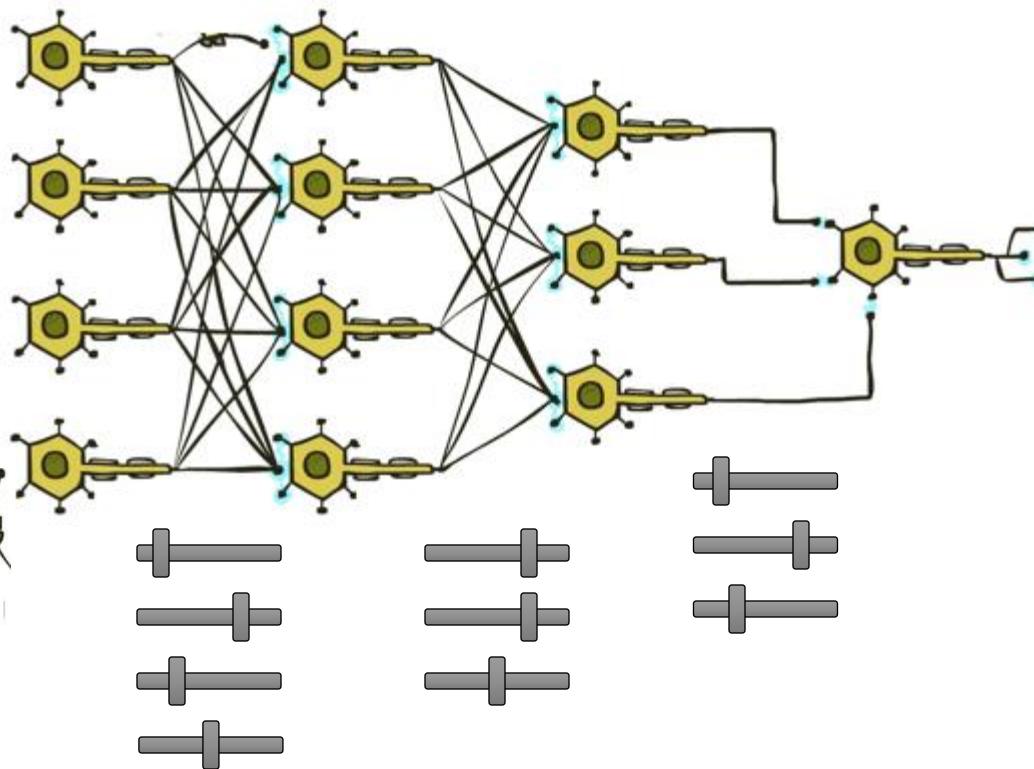
- Selling my car



Neural Networks

Many layers of neurons, millions of parameters

Input
Signal



Output
Signal

DOG

CAT

TREE

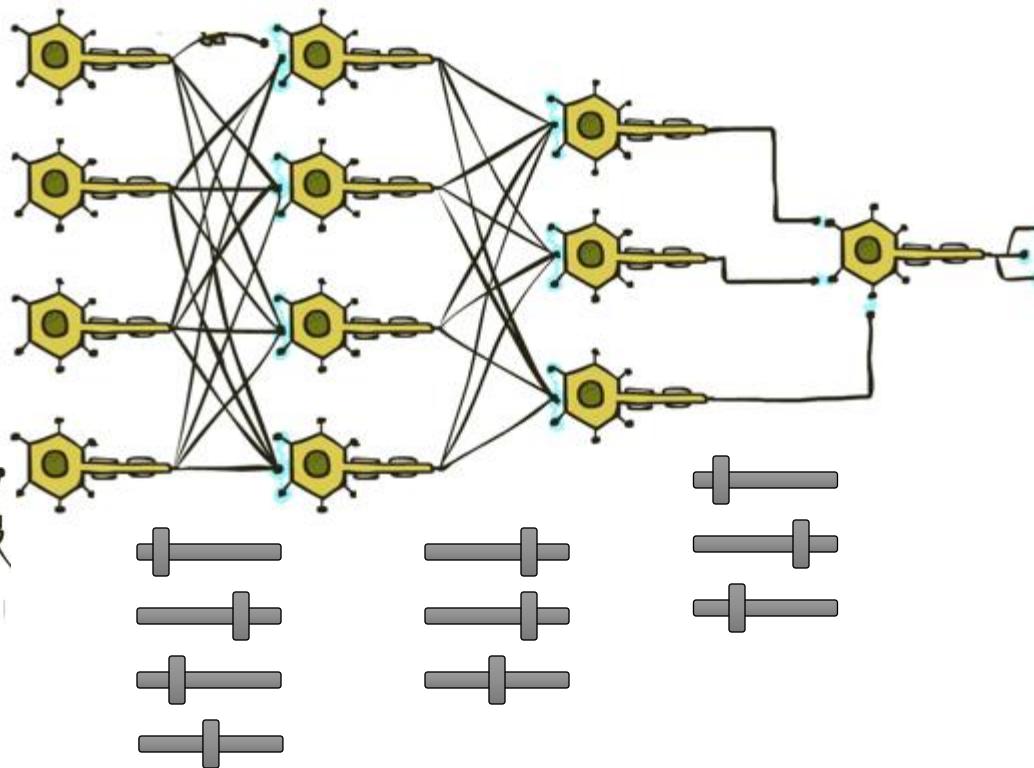
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SKY

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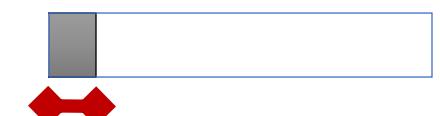
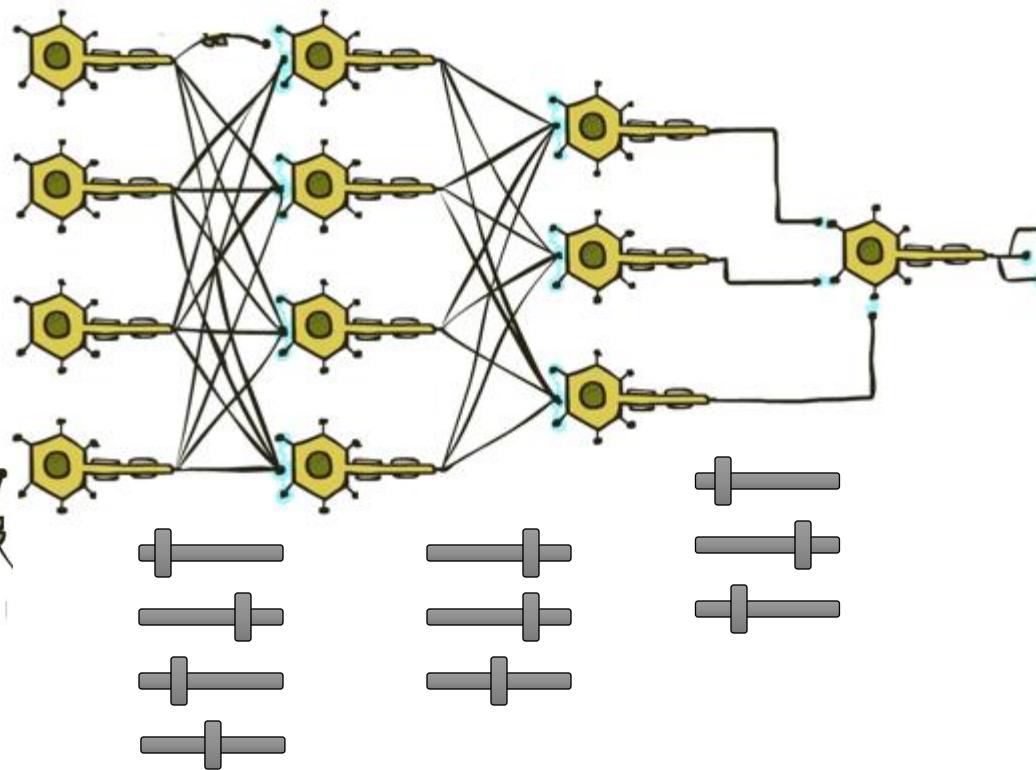
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LEFT

RIGHT

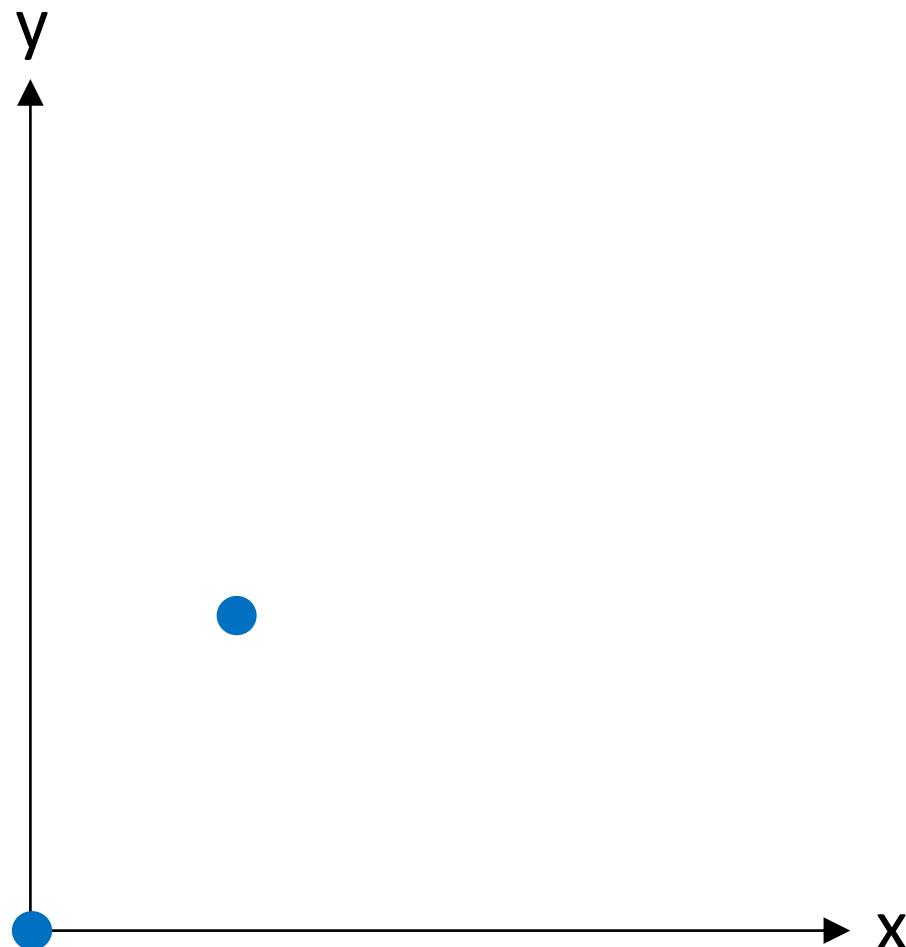
UP

DOWN

BUTTON

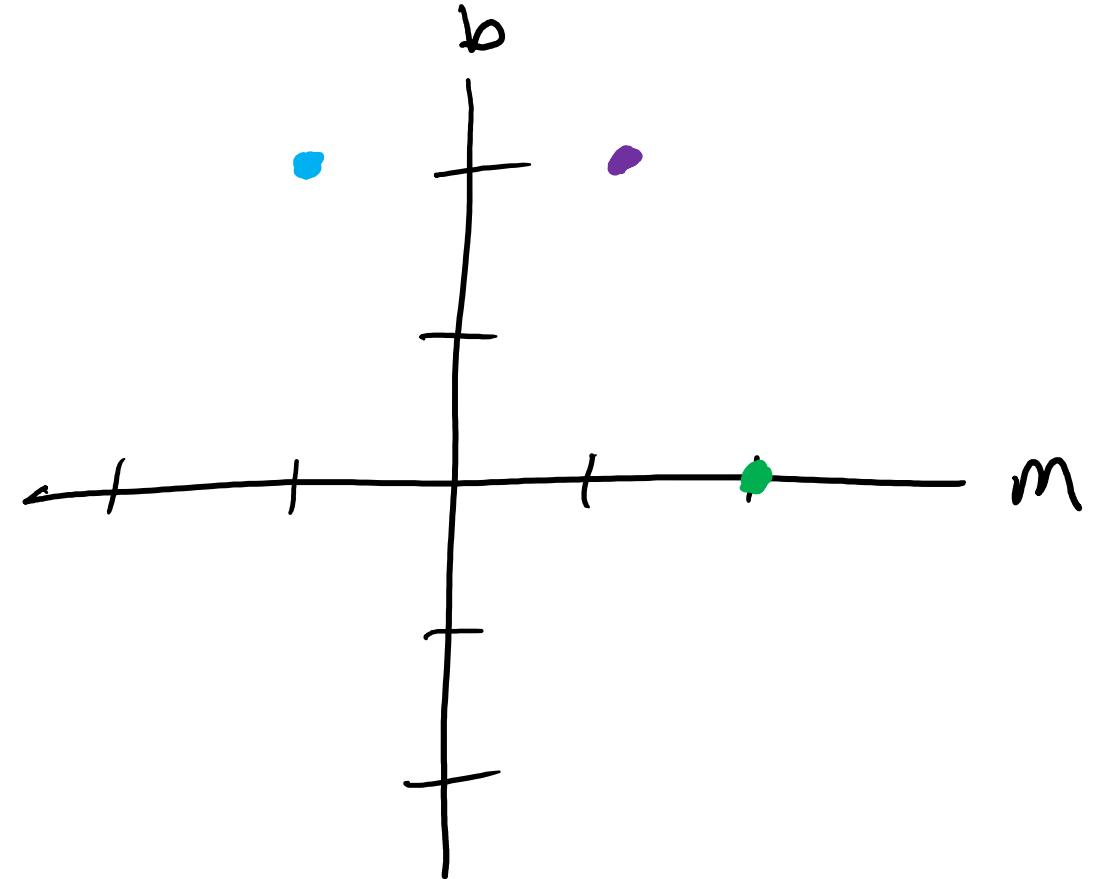
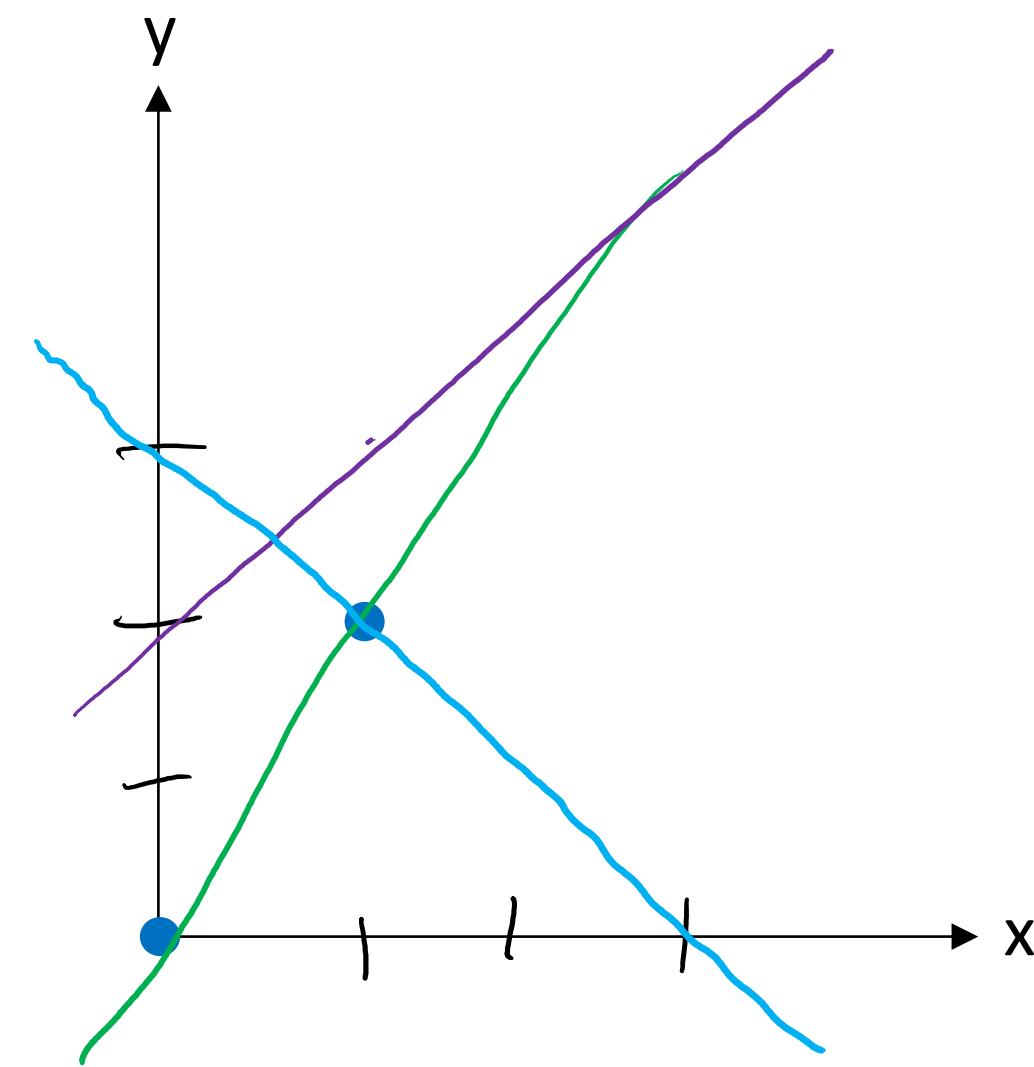
Reminder: Training: Finding the Best Parameters

Searching for parameters that minimize mean squared error



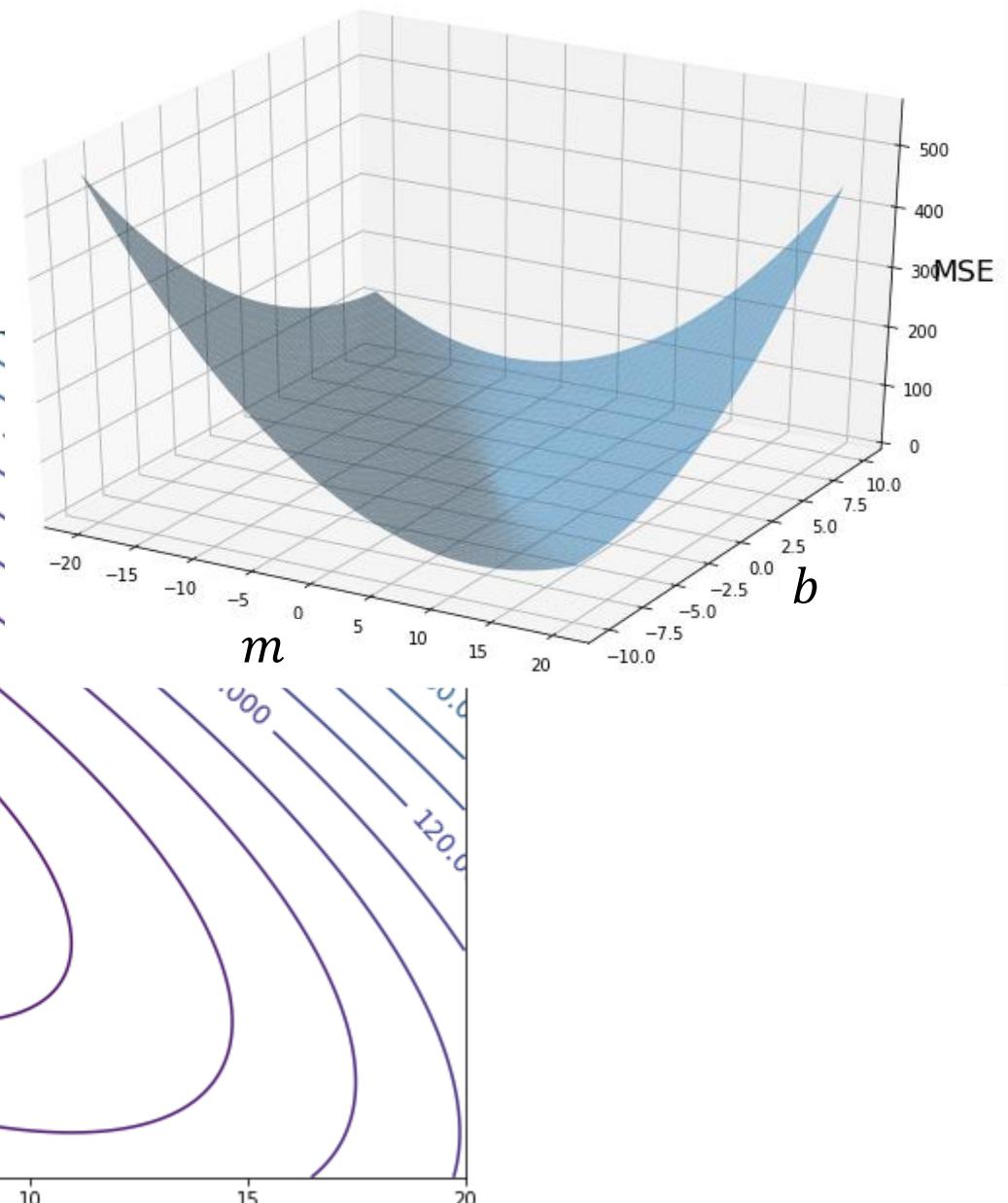
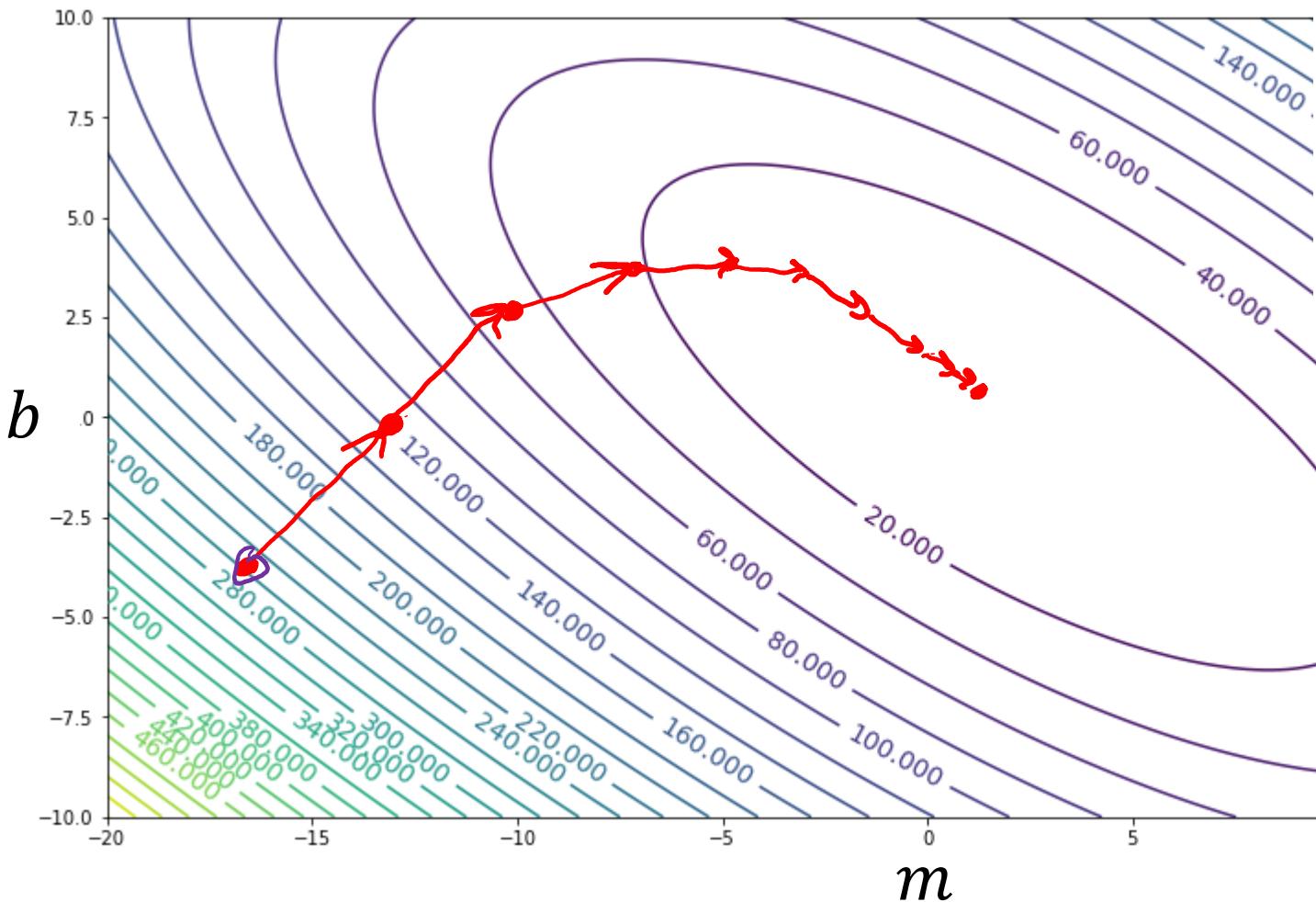
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Reminder: Linear Regression

Gradient descent

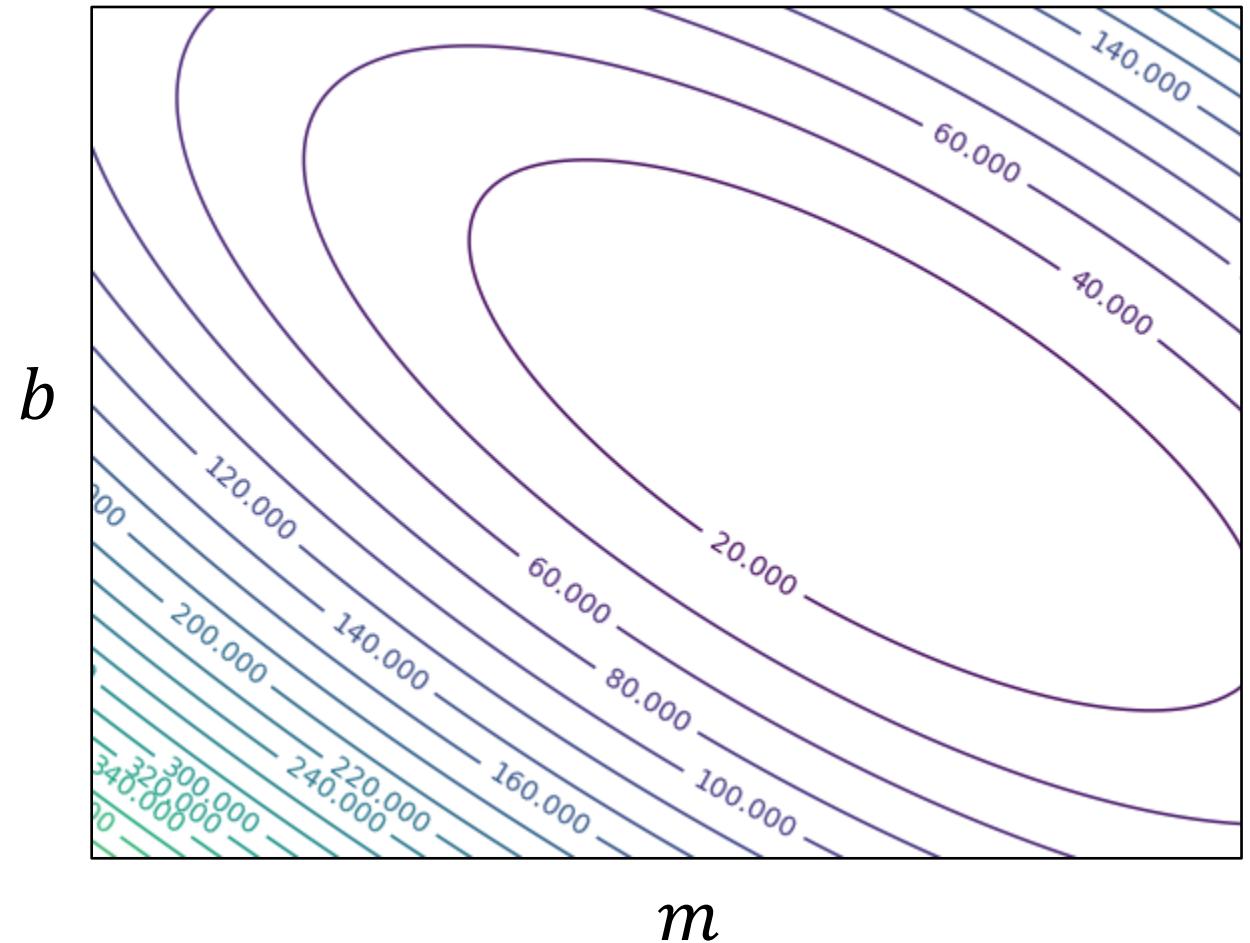


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Methods for optimizing the objective

- Grid search
- Random search
- (Solve for the minimum of this paraboloid)
- Gradient descent

Performance measure:
Mean Squared Error

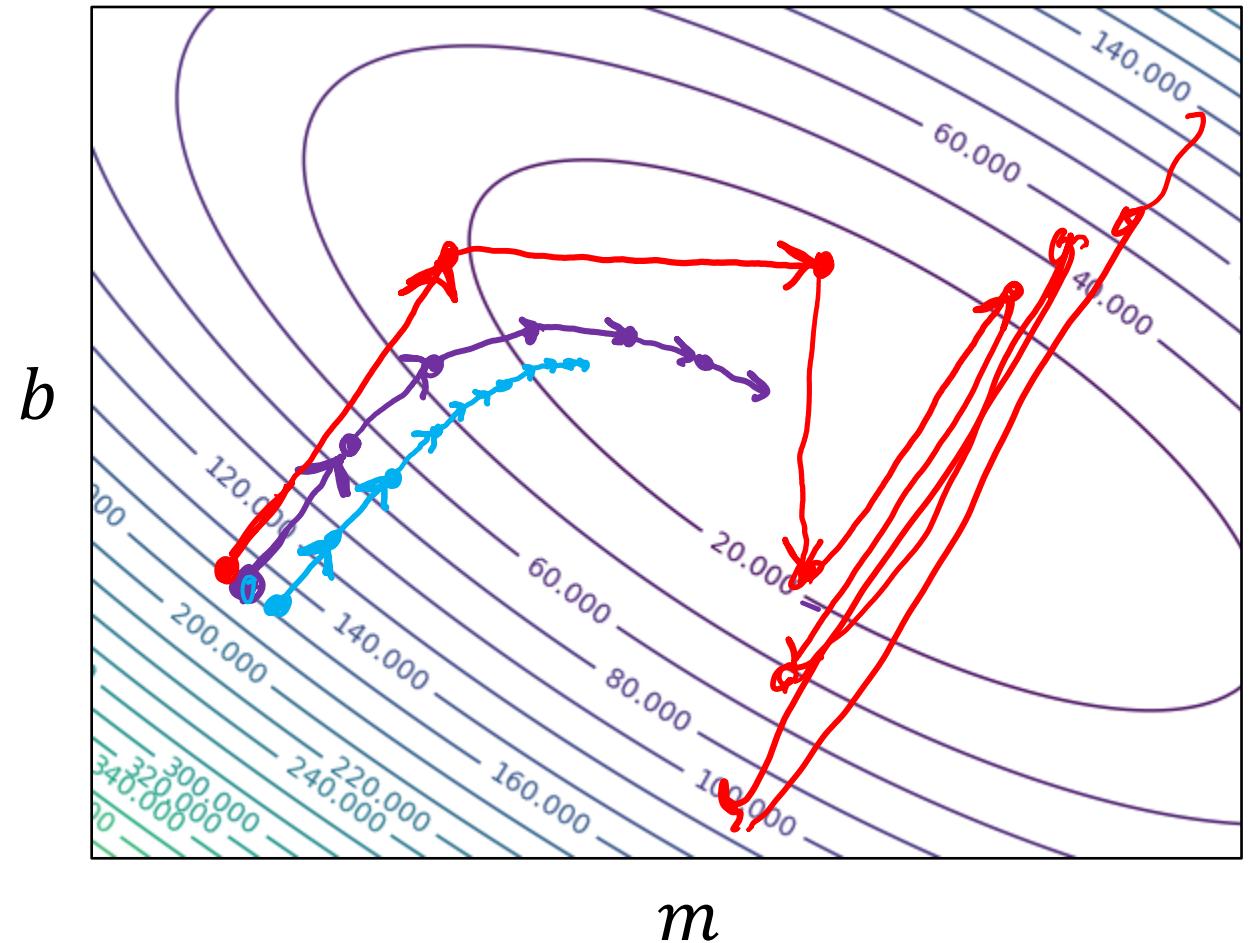


Reminder: Linear Regression

Methods for optimizing the objective

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- (Solve for the minimum of this paraboloid)
- Gradient descent
 - Low learning rate
 - Med learning rate
 - High learning rate

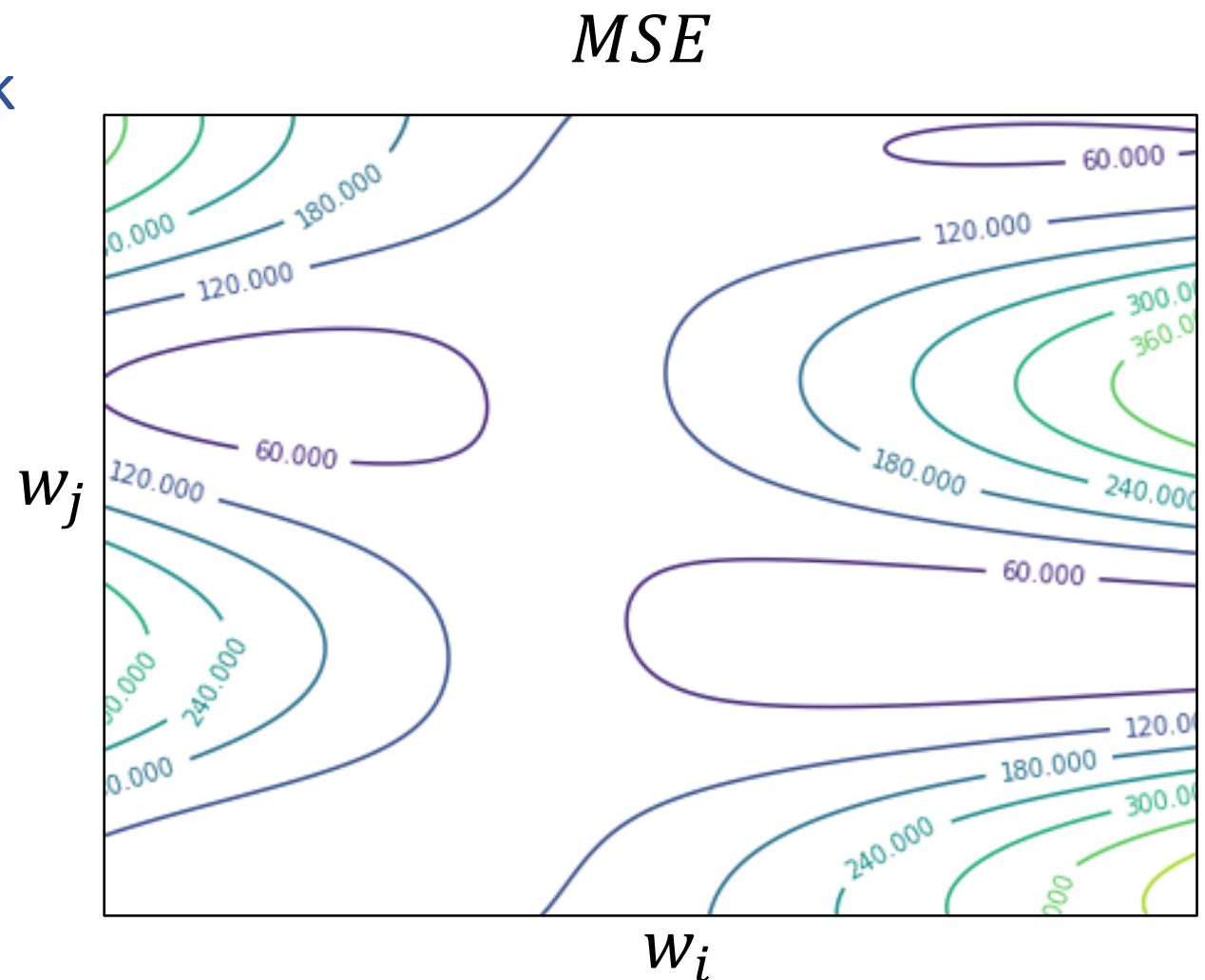
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Neural Network Optimization

Methods for minimizing the mean squared error for a neural network

- Grid search
- Random search
- ☹ Can't solve for the minimum
- Gradient descent
 - Can get stuck
 - Different starting points can lead to different results



Neural Network Optimization

Gradient descent (the same, just more params)

Initialize:

- Select a learning rate, α
- $w \leftarrow \text{random}$
- $b \leftarrow \text{random}$

Repeat:

1. Calculate gradient: $grad_w, grad_b$
2. New parameter values by subtracting the gradient (scaled by the learning rate):
 - $w_{new} \leftarrow w_{prev} - \alpha \cdot grad_w$
 - $b_{new} \leftarrow b_{prev} - \alpha \cdot grad_b$

