

# Automatic Differentiation

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Slides based on the excellent review:

Baydin, A. G., Pearlmutter, B. A., Radul, A. A., & Siskind, J. M. (2015). *Automatic differentiation in machine learning: a survey*.  
<http://arxiv.org/abs/1502.05767>

# What is AD?

“A family of techniques similar to but more general than back propagation for efficiently and accurately evaluating derivatives of numeric functions expressed as computer programs.”

All numerical computations are composed of a finite set of elementary operations.  
These elementary operations have known derivatives.  
Systematically apply the chain rule of differential calculus.

# 4 Categories of Derivatives for Computer Programs

## 1. Manual Differentiation

(computing by hand and coding the result)

## 2. Numerical Differentiation

(e.g. finite differences approx.)

## 3. Symbolic Differentiation

(Mathematica, Maple...)

## 4. Automatic Differentiation

(subject of this tutorial)

# Why do we need AD?

Manual Differentiation is time consuming and error prone.

Numerical Differentiation scales poorly and highly susceptible to roundoff/truncation errors.

Symbolic Differentiation 'swells' quickly as derivative expressions become very complex.

Also, both Manual and Symbolic require closed-form mathematical expression.

$$l_1 = x$$
$$l_{n+1} = 4l_n(1 - l_n)$$

$$f(x) = l_4 = 64x(1-x)(1-2x)^2(1-8x+8x^2)^2$$

Manual  
Differentiation

$$f'(x) = 128x(1-x)(-8+16x)(1-2x)^2(1-8x+8x^2) + 64(1-x)(1-2x)^2(1-8x+8x^2)^2 - 64x(1-2x)^2(1-8x+8x^2)^2 - 256x(1-x)(1-2x)(1-8x+8x^2)^2$$

Coding

f(x):

v = x

for i = 1 to 3

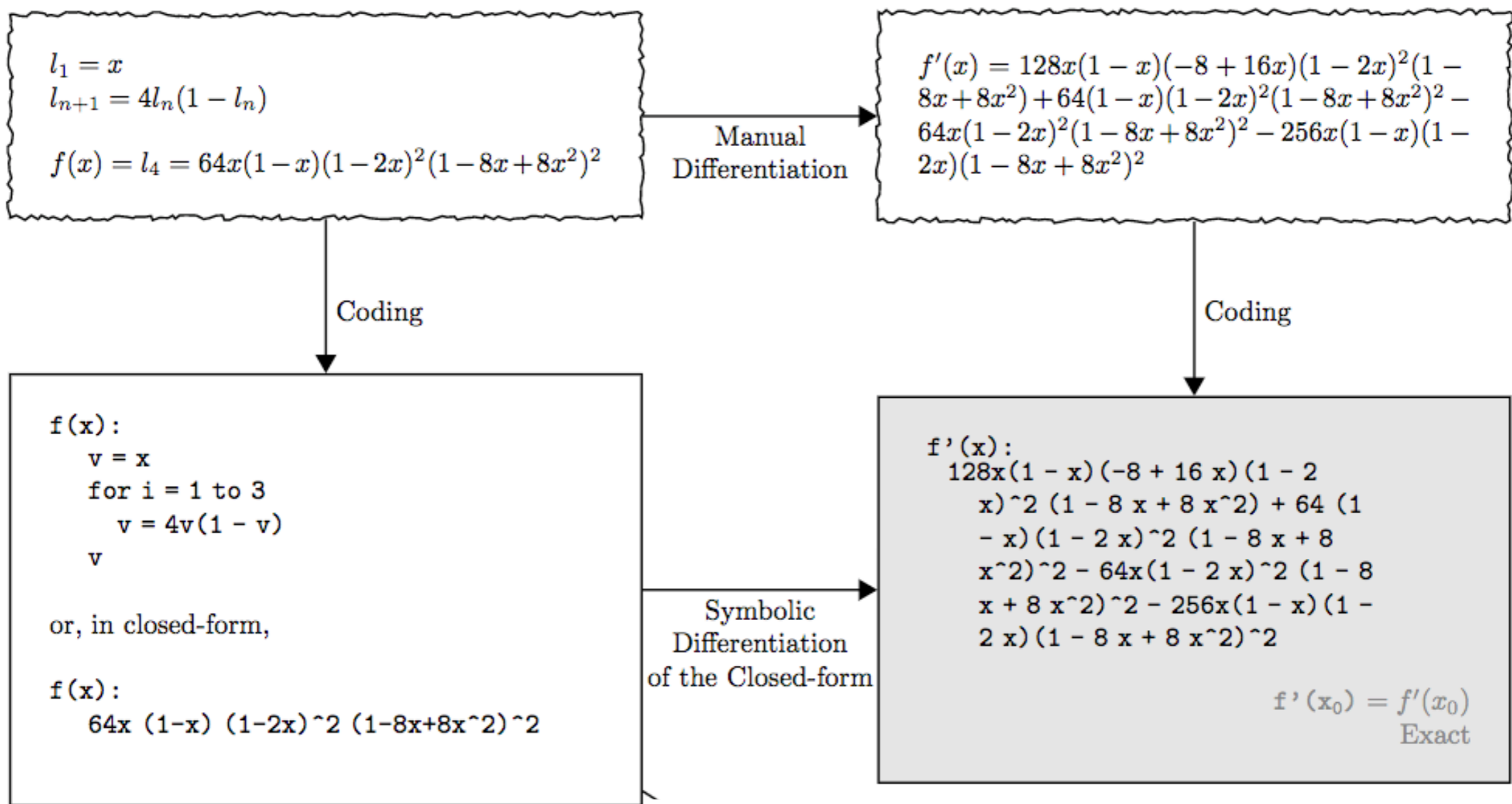
v = 4v(1 - v)

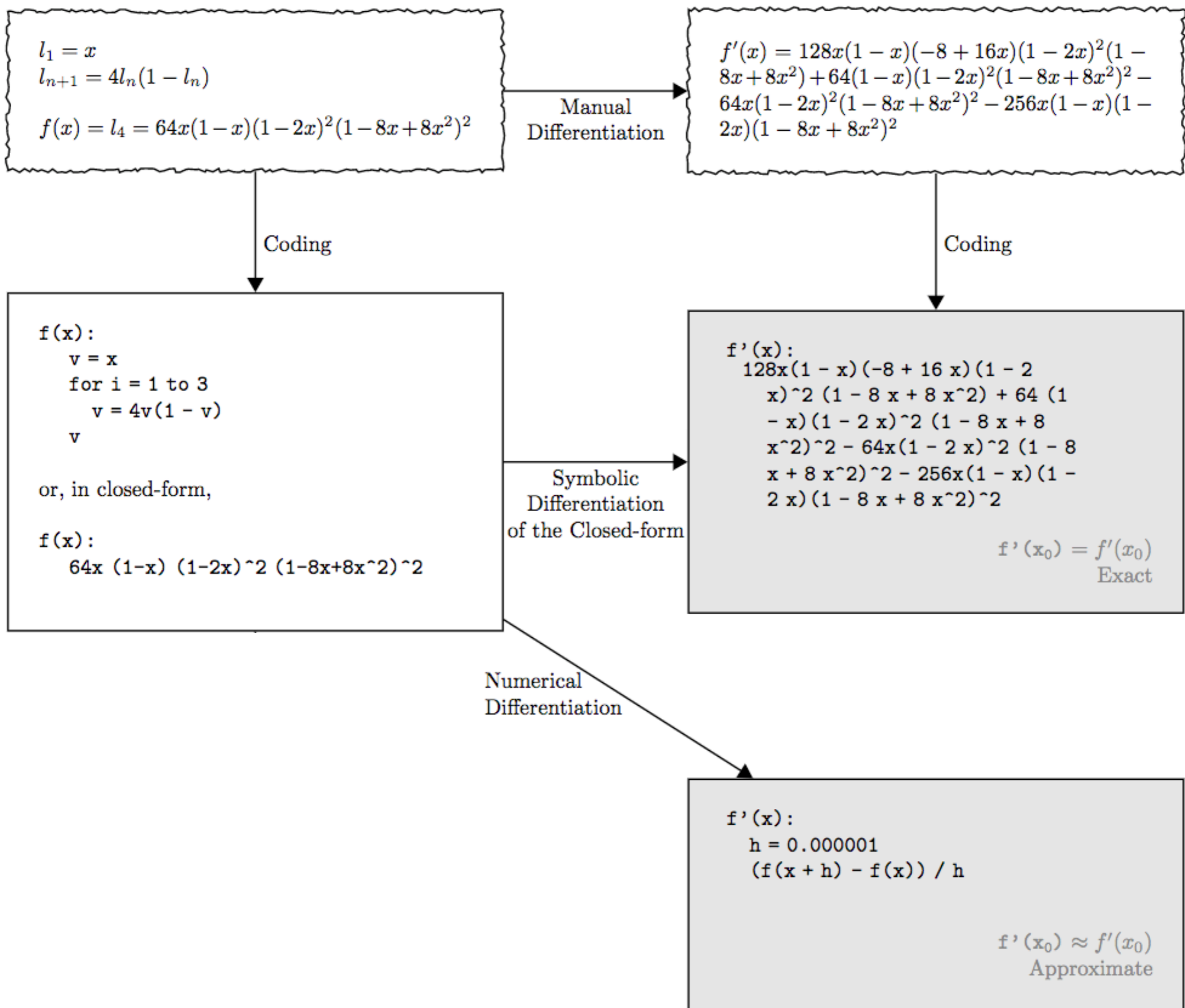
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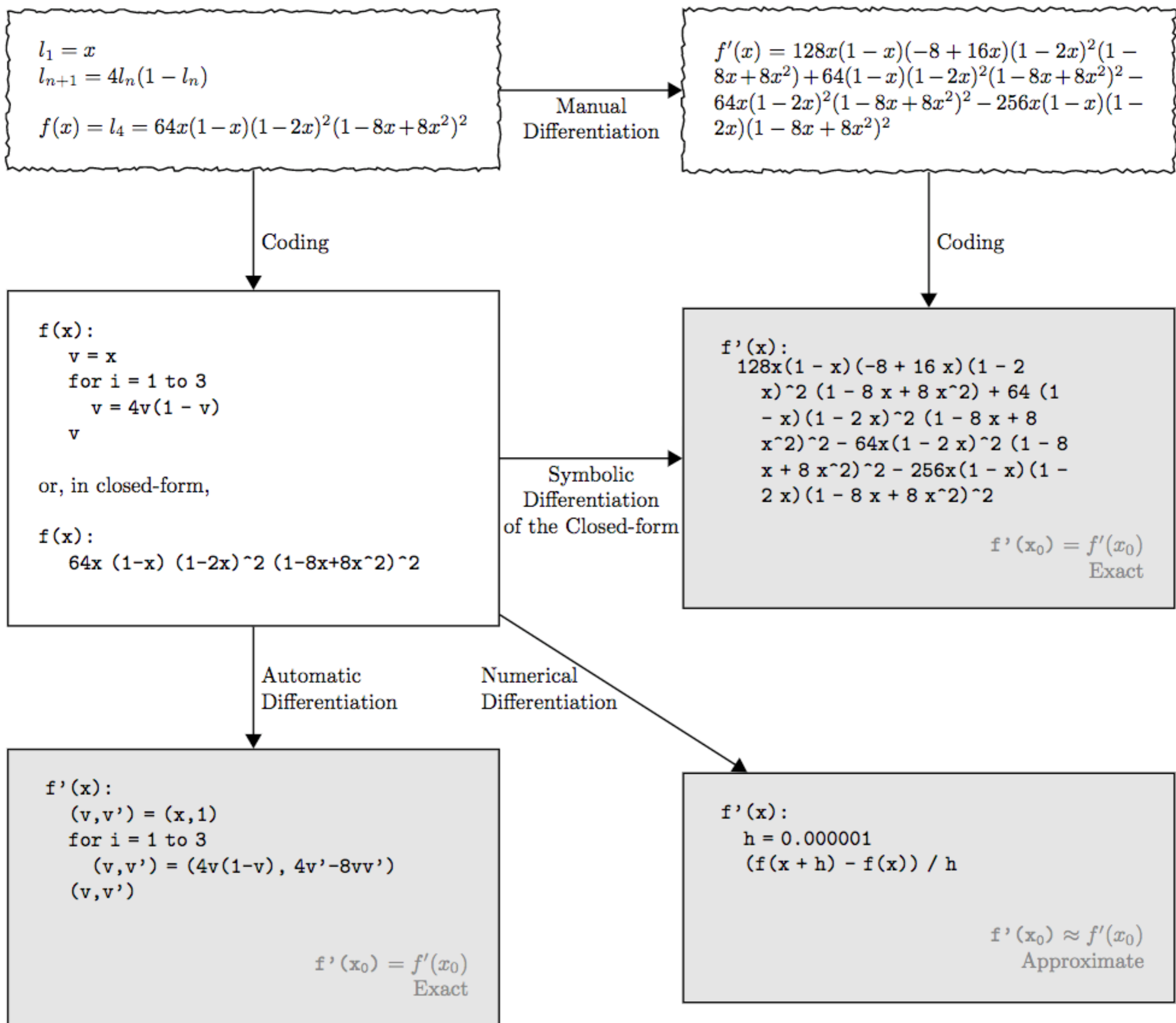
or, in closed-form,

f(x):

64x (1-x) (1-2x)^2 (1-8x+8x^2)^2









# ***What* is Automatic Differentiation?**

# 2 Modes of AD

$$y = f(g(h(x))) = f(g(h(w_0))) = f(g(w_1)) = f(w_2) = w_3$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dw_2} \frac{dw_2}{dw_1} \frac{dw_1}{dx}$$

Forward Accumulation Mode: chain rule inside to outside

$$\boxed{dw_1/dx} \longrightarrow \boxed{dw_2/dx} \longrightarrow \boxed{dy/dx}$$

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Reverse Accumulation Mode: chain rule outside to inside

$$\frac{dy}{dw_2} \longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dw_1} \longrightarrow \frac{dy}{dx}$$

# Exercise: Forward Mode

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

**Solve at point**  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

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Forward Tangent (Derivative) Trace



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# Forward Mode for ML?

$$f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\frac{\delta y_i}{\delta x}$$

can be computed in one forward pass!

$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\nabla f = \left( \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_1}, \dots, \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_n} \right)$$

needs n forward passes!

# Functions in ML

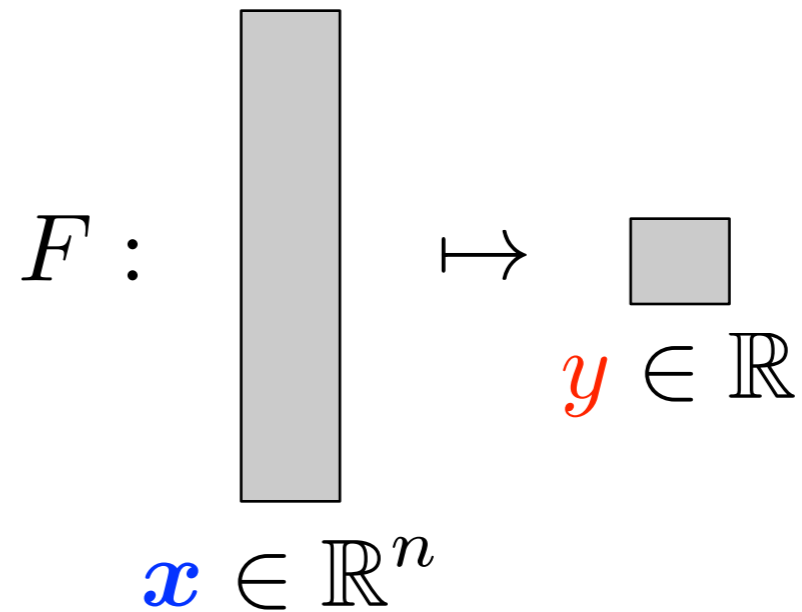
$$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$
$$n \gg m$$

Forward mode AD is not scalable to input dimensionality

# Functions in ML

even more extreme,  $m=1$

$$F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$



$$F = D \circ C \circ B \circ A$$

$$y = F(x) = D(C(B(A(x))))$$

$$y = D(c), \quad c = C(b), \quad b = B(a), \quad a = A(x)$$

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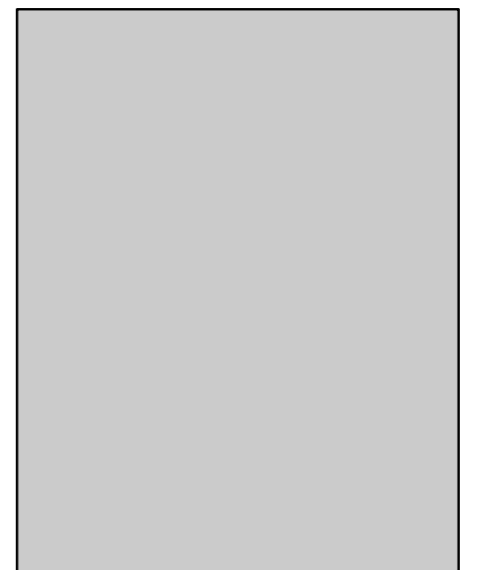
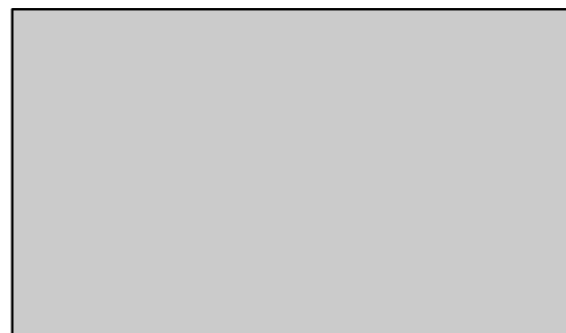
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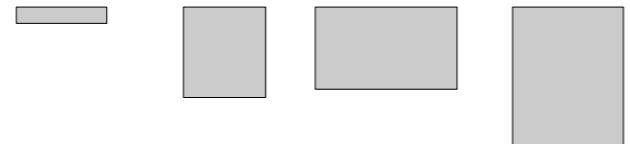
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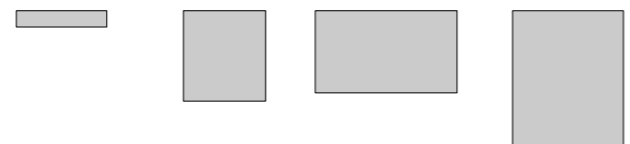




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$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial b_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial b_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial b_m}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial b_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Forward  
accumulation



$$F'(\mathbf{x}) = \left( \left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{c}}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \right) \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} \right) \frac{\partial \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{b}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y}{\partial b_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y}{\partial b_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Reverse  
accumulation



$$F'(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{c}}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \mathbf{v}$$

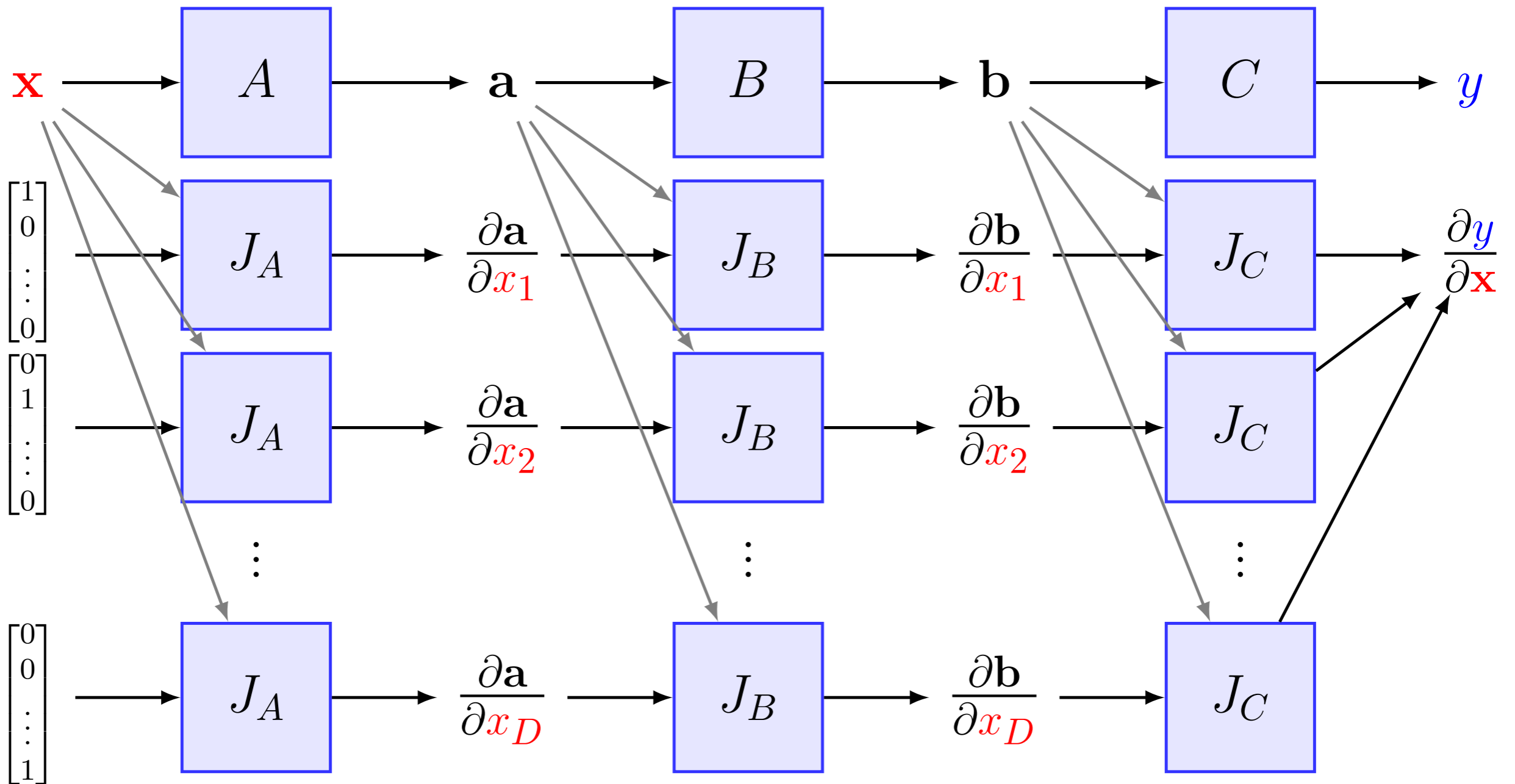
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Forward accumulation  $\leftrightarrow$  Jacobian-vector products

Build Jacobian one column at a time

$$F'(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{c}}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right) \right) \right)$$

# Forward accumulation mode differentiation



$$\mathbf{v}^\top F'(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{v}^\top \frac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{c}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{c}}{\partial \mathbf{b}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{b}}{\partial \mathbf{a}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$$

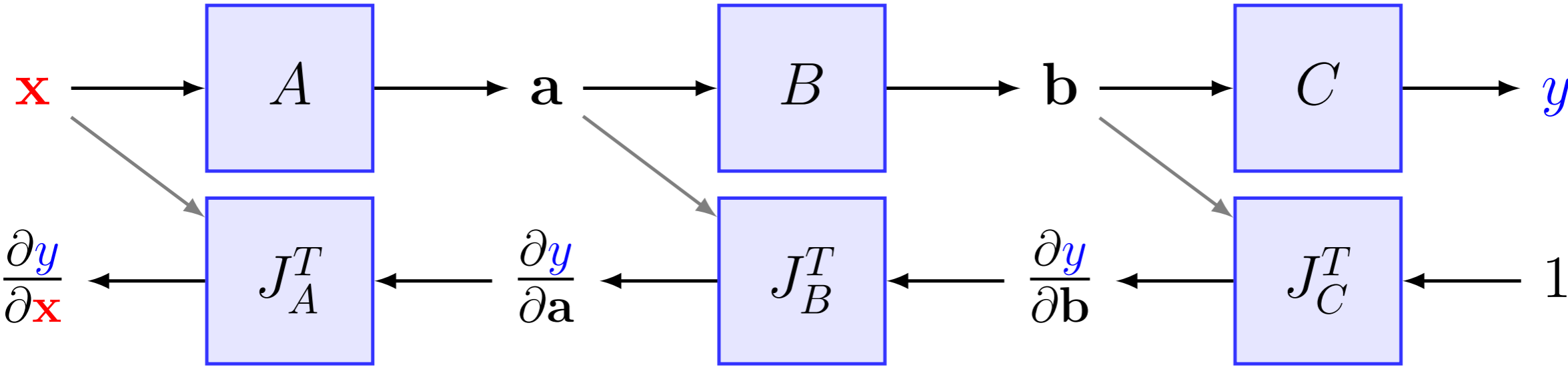
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Reverse accumulation  $\leftrightarrow$  vector-Jacobian products

Build Jacobian one row at a time

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# Reverse accumulation mode differentiation



# Exercise: Reverse Mode

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

Solve at point  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\delta y}{\delta y} = 1 \longrightarrow \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_1}, \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_2} \quad \text{both in one reverse pass!}$$

Forward Evaluation Trace	Reverse Adjoint Trace
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$v_0 = x_2 = 5$	
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# Exercise: Reverse Mode

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

Solve at point  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\delta y}{\delta y} = 1 \longrightarrow \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_1}, \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_2} \quad \text{both in one reverse pass!}$$

Forward Evaluation Trace	Reverse Adjoint Trace
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$y = v_5 = 11.652$	$\bar{v}_5 = \bar{y} = 1 \quad (\partial y / \partial y)$

# Exercise: Reverse Mode

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$y = v_5 = 11.652$	
	$\bar{v}_3?$
	$\bar{v}_4 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_4} = \bar{v}_5 \times 1 = 1$
	$\bar{v}_5 = \bar{y} = 1$

# Exercise: Reverse Mode

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

Solve at point  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

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$v_{-1} = x_1 = 2$	$\bar{v}_1 ?$ $\bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_3} = \bar{v}_5 \times (-1) = -1$ $\bar{v}_4 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_4} = \bar{v}_5 \times 1 = 1$
$v_0 = x_2 = 5$	
$v_1 = \ln v_{-1} = \ln 2$	
$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0 = 2 \times 5$	
$v_3 = \sin v_0 = \sin 5$	
$v_4 = v_1 + v_2 = 0.693 + 10$	$\bar{v}_5 = \bar{y} = 1$
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$v_4 = v_1 + v_2 = 0.693 + 10$	$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_3 \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_3 \times \cos v_0 = -0.284$
$v_5 = v_4 - v_3 = 10.693 + 0.959$	$\bar{v}_2 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_2} = \bar{v}_4 \times 1 = 1$
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$v_0 = x_2 = 5$	
$v_1 = \ln v_{-1} = \ln 2$	
$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0 = 2 \times 5$	$\bar{v}_{-1}?$
$v_3 = \sin v_0 = \sin 5$	$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \times v_{-1} = 1.716$
$v_4 = v_1 + v_2 = 0.693 + 10$	$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_{-1}} = \bar{v}_2 \times v_0 = 5$
$v_5 = v_4 - v_3 = 10.693 + 0.959$	$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_3 \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_3 \times \cos v_0 = -0.284$
$y = v_5 = 11.652$	$\bar{v}_2 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_2} = \bar{v}_4 \times 1 = 1$
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$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

Solve at point  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

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## Forward Evaluation Trace

$v_{-1} = x_1$	$= 2$
$v_0 = x_2$	$= 5$
<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;"><math>v_1 = \ln v_{-1}</math></span>	$= \ln 2$
$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0$	$= 2 \times 5$
$v_3 = \sin v_0$	$= \sin 5$
$v_4 = v_1 + v_2$	$= 0.693 + 10$
$v_5 = v_4 - v_3$	$= 10.693 + 0.959$
$y = v_5$	$= 11.652$

## Reverse Adjoint Trace

$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial v_{-1}}$	$= \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 / v_{-1}$	$= 5.5$
$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_0}$	$= \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \times v_{-1}$	$= 1.716$
$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_{-1}}$	$= \bar{v}_2 \times v_0$	$= 5$
$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_3 \frac{\partial v_3}{\partial v_0}$	$= \bar{v}_3 \times \cos v_0$	$= -0.284$
$\bar{v}_2 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_2}$	$= \bar{v}_4 \times 1$	$= 1$
$\bar{v}_1 = \bar{v}_4 \frac{\partial v_4}{\partial v_1}$	$= \bar{v}_4 \times 1$	$= 1$
$\bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_3}$	$= \bar{v}_5 \times (-1)$	$= -1$
$\bar{v}_4 = \bar{v}_5 \frac{\partial v_5}{\partial v_4}$	$= \bar{v}_5 \times 1$	$= 1$
$\bar{v}_5 = \bar{y}$	$= 1$	

# Exercise: Reverse Mode

$$y = f(x_1, x_2) = \ln(x_1) + x_1x_2 - \sin(x_2)$$

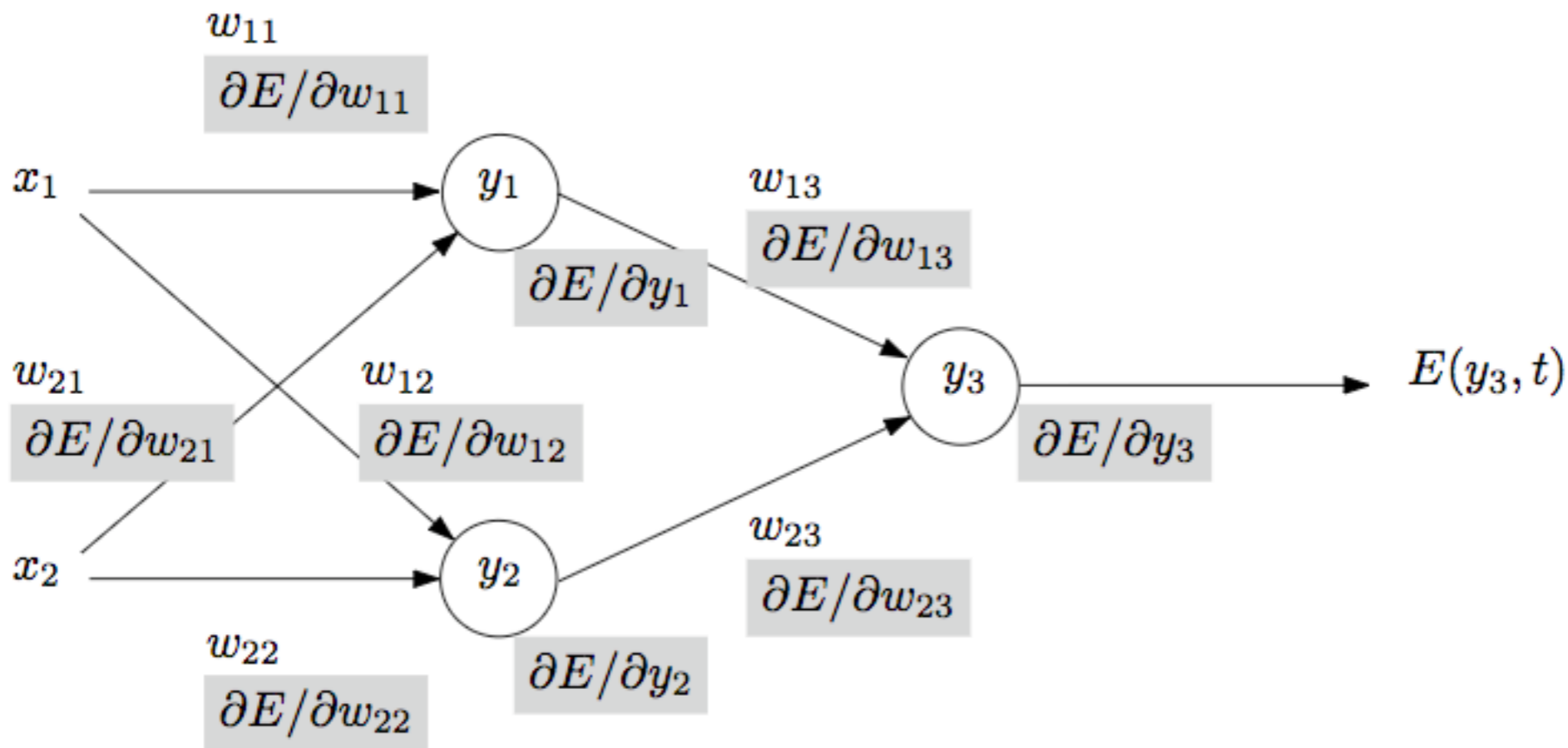
Solve at point  $(x_1, x_2) = (2, 5)$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\delta y}{\delta y} = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_1} \Big|_{(\bar{x}_1)}, \frac{\delta y}{\delta x_2} \Big|_{(\bar{x}_2)} \quad \text{both in one reverse pass!}$$

Forward Evaluation Trace	Reverse Adjoint Trace
$v_{-1} = x_1 = 2$	$\bar{x}_1 = \bar{v}_{-1} = 5.5$
$v_0 = x_2 = 5$	$\bar{x}_2 = \bar{v}_0 = 1.716$
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$v_1 = \ln v_{-1} = \ln 2$	$\bar{v}_{-1} = \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial v_{-1}} = \bar{v}_{-1} + \bar{v}_1 / v_{-1} = 5.5$
$v_2 = v_{-1} \times v_0 = 2 \times 5$	$\bar{v}_0 = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial v_0} = \bar{v}_0 + \bar{v}_2 \times v_{-1} = 1.716$
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# Backpropagation is a special case of Reverse Mode AD

(a) Forward pass



(b) Backward pass