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“one-hot” encoding

also known as

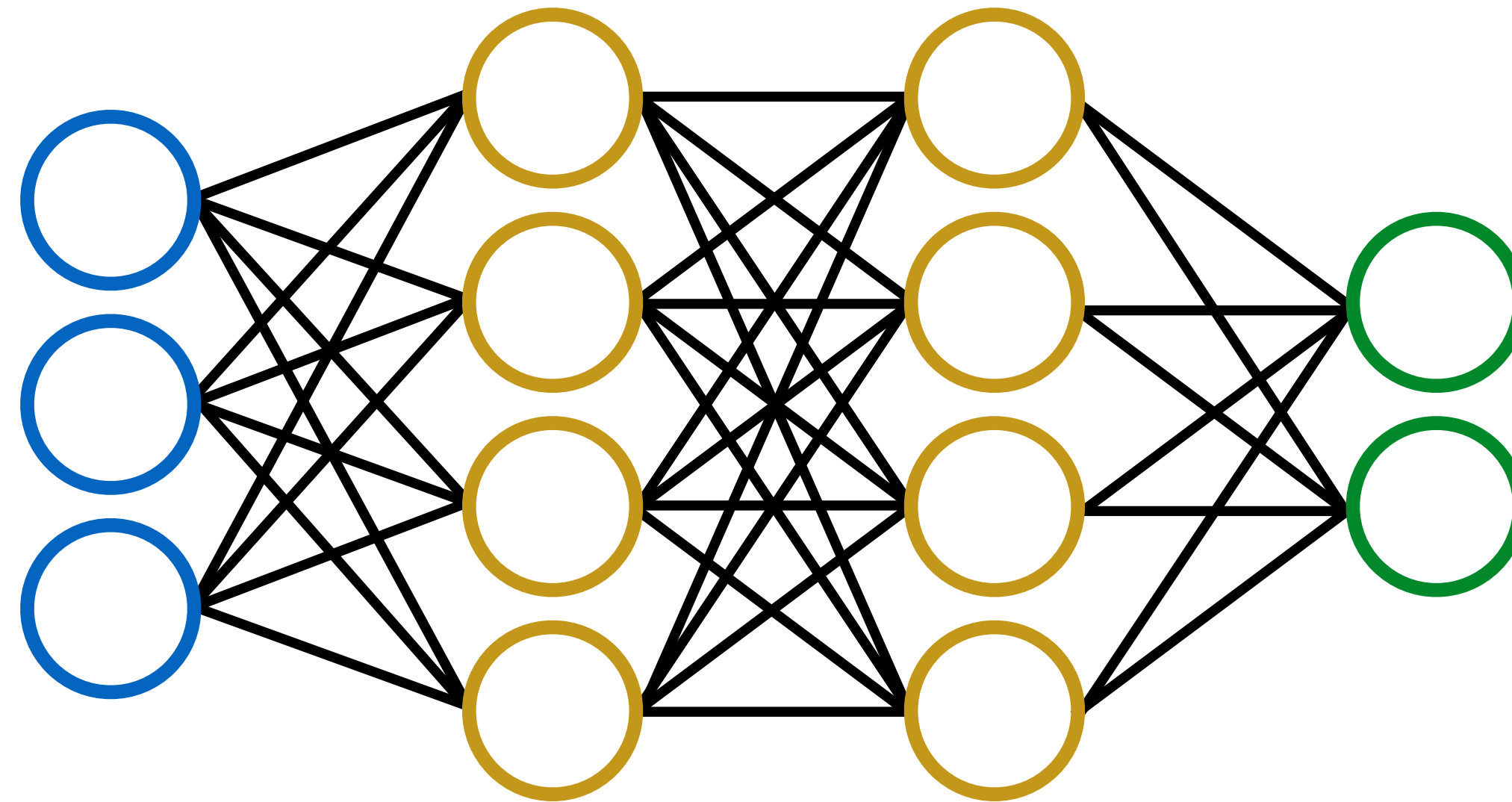
1-of-K or **1-of-N**



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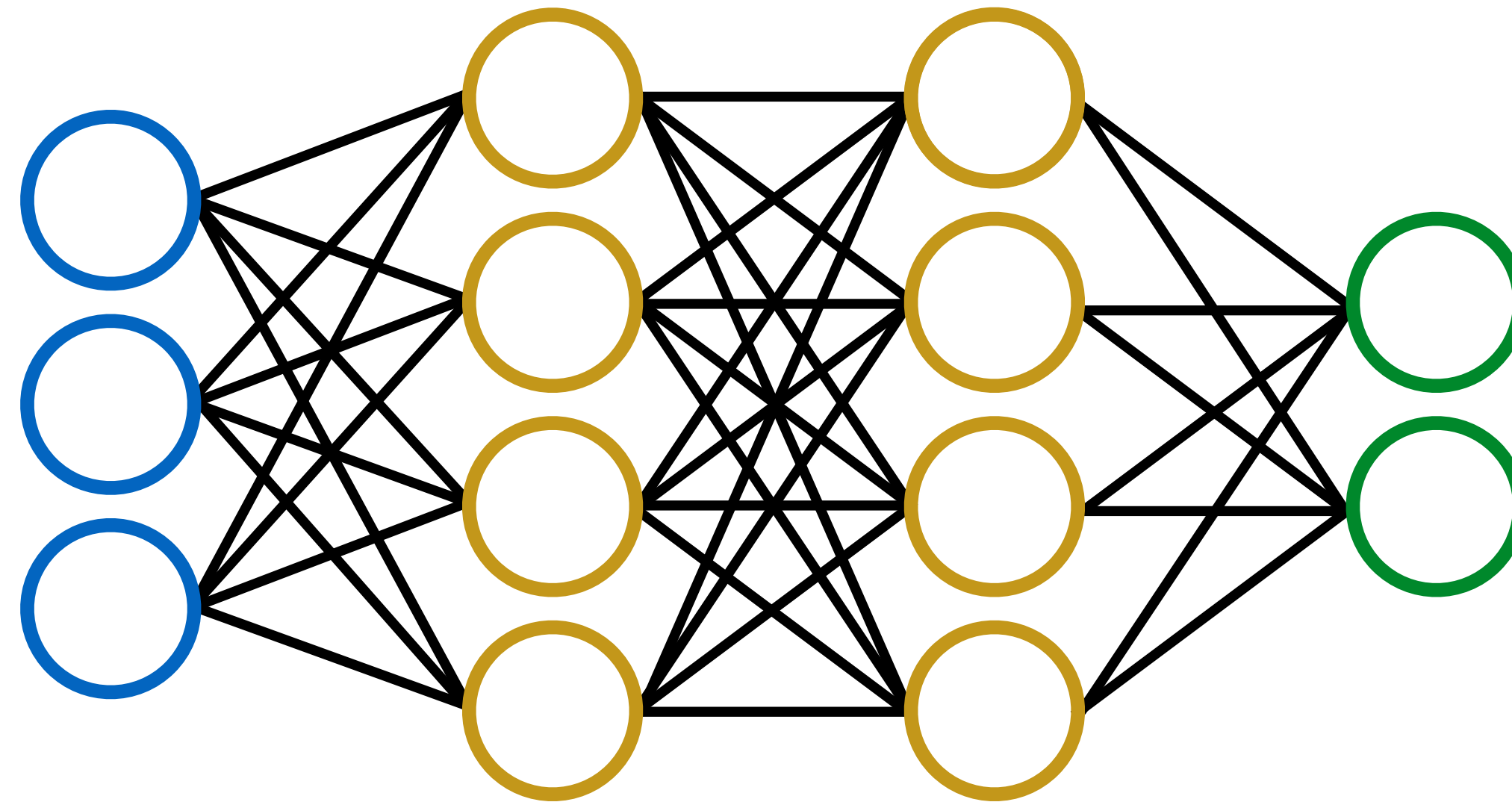
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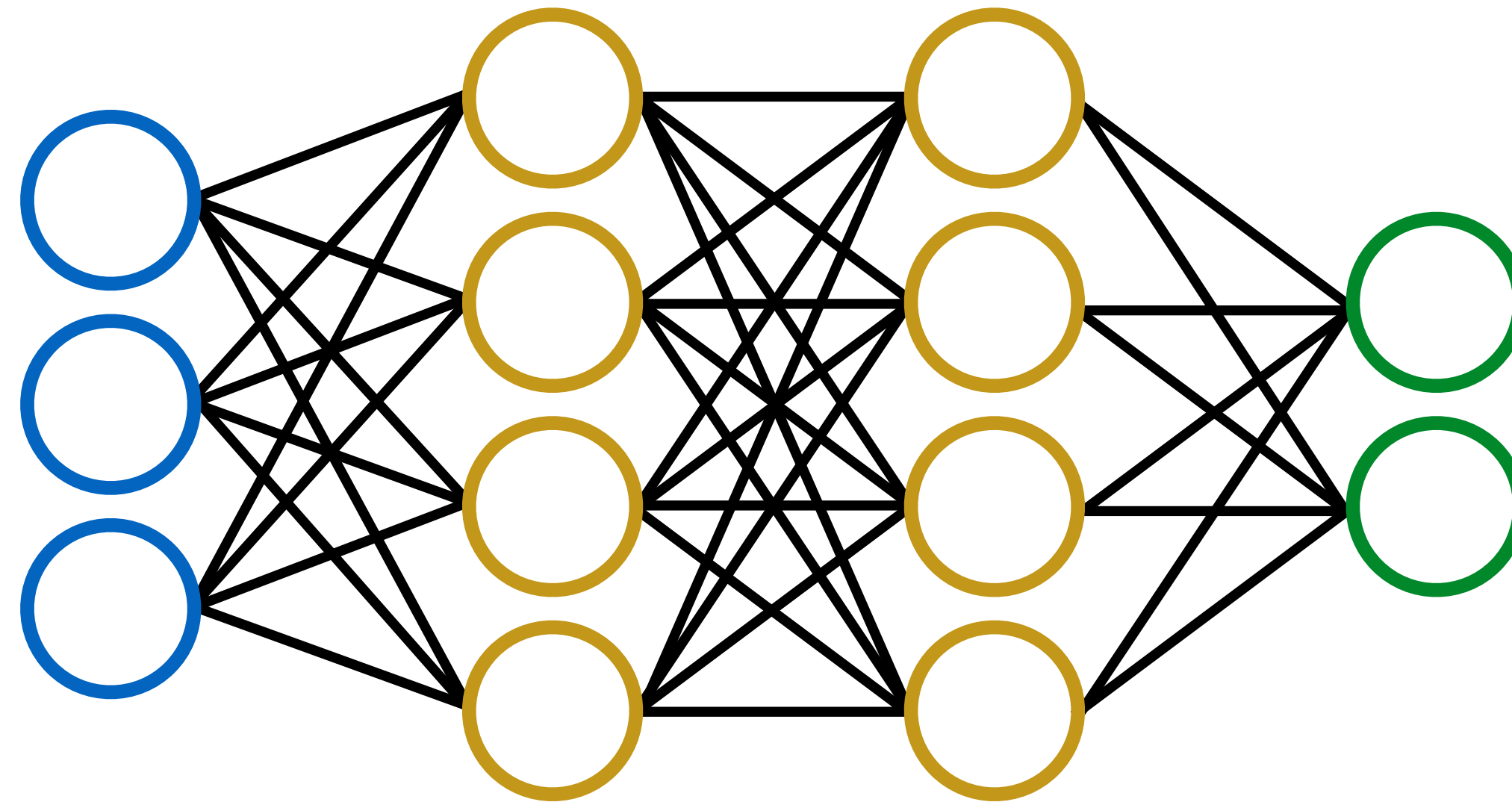


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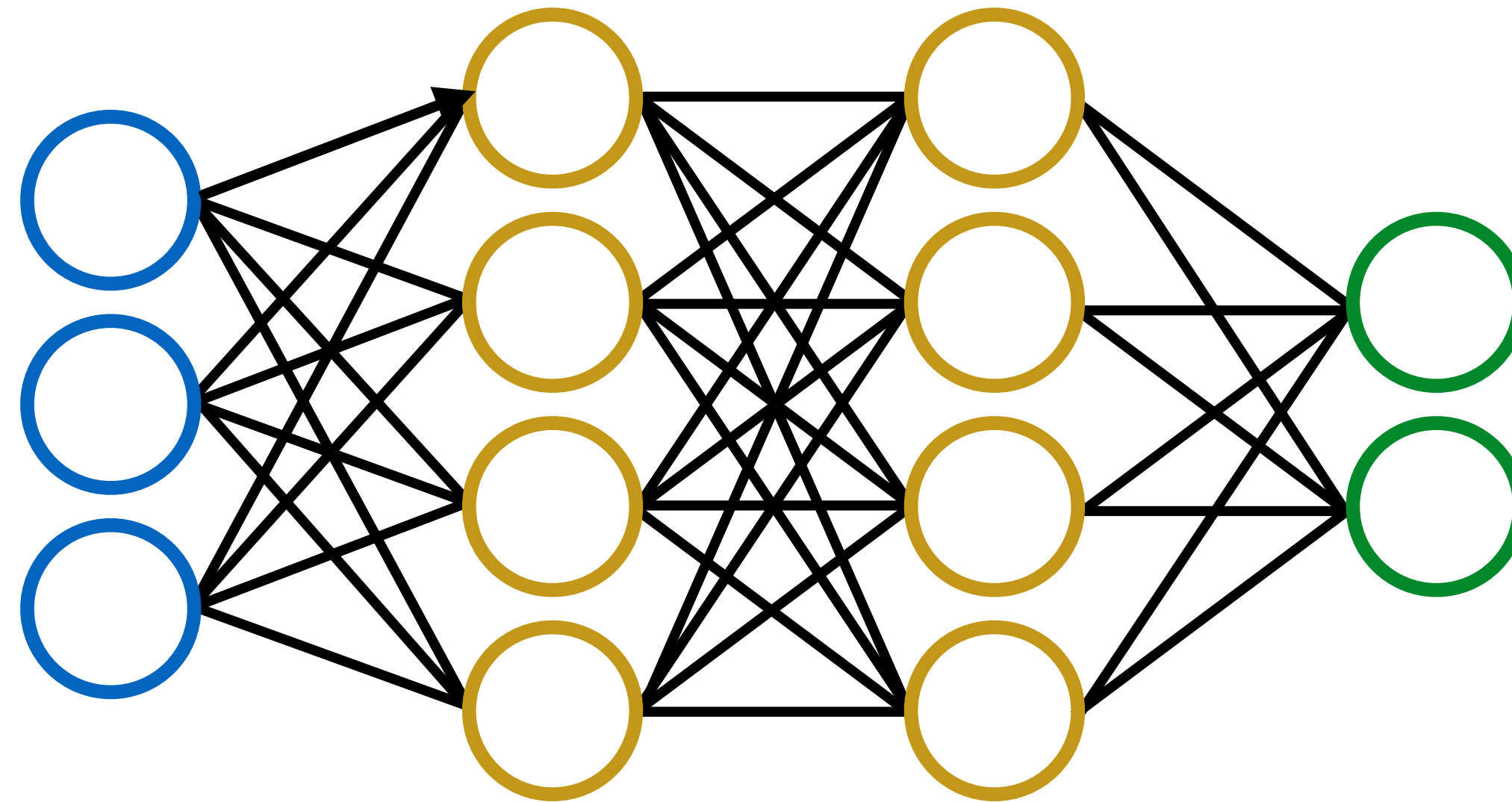
units (or “neurons”), each with an **activation function**



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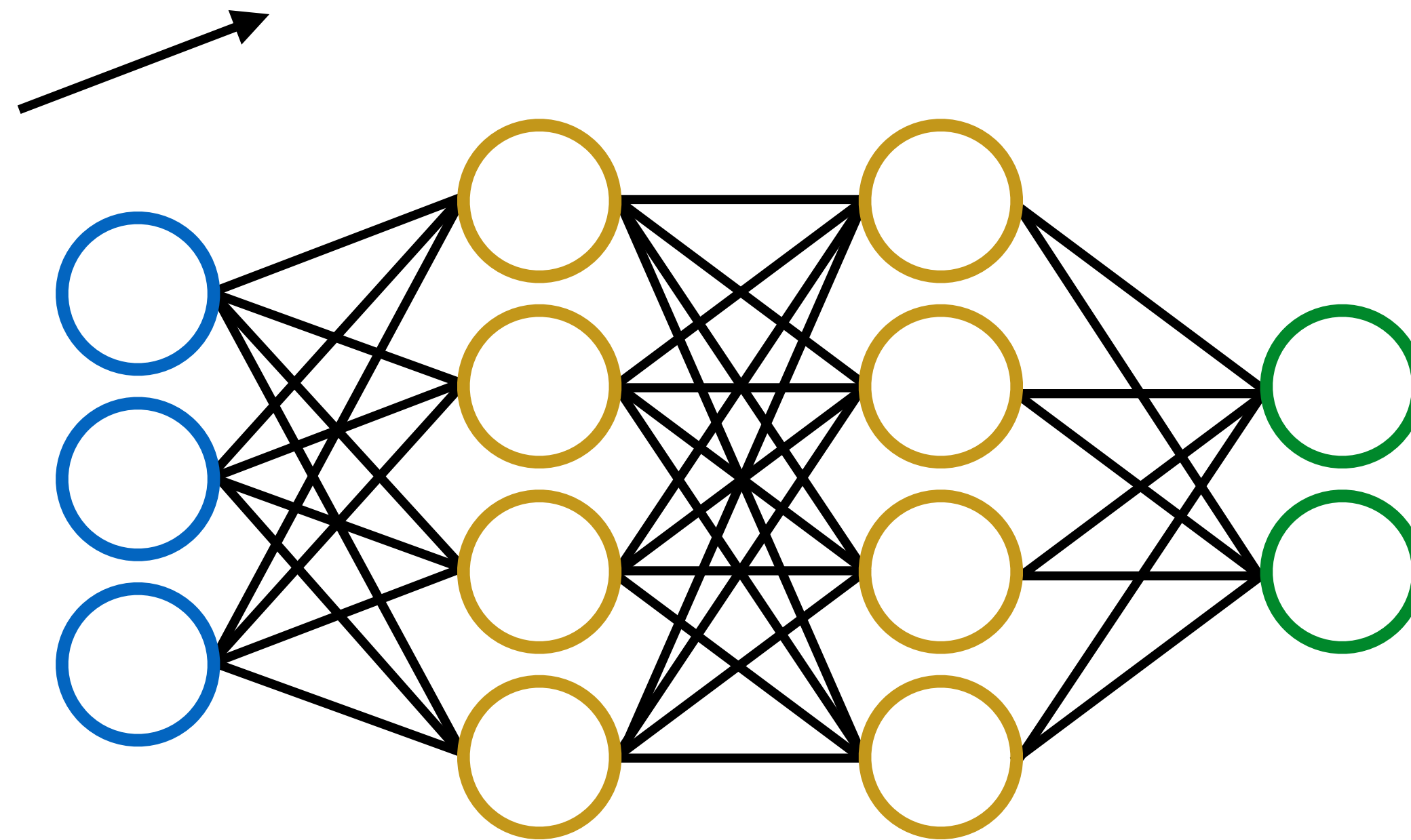


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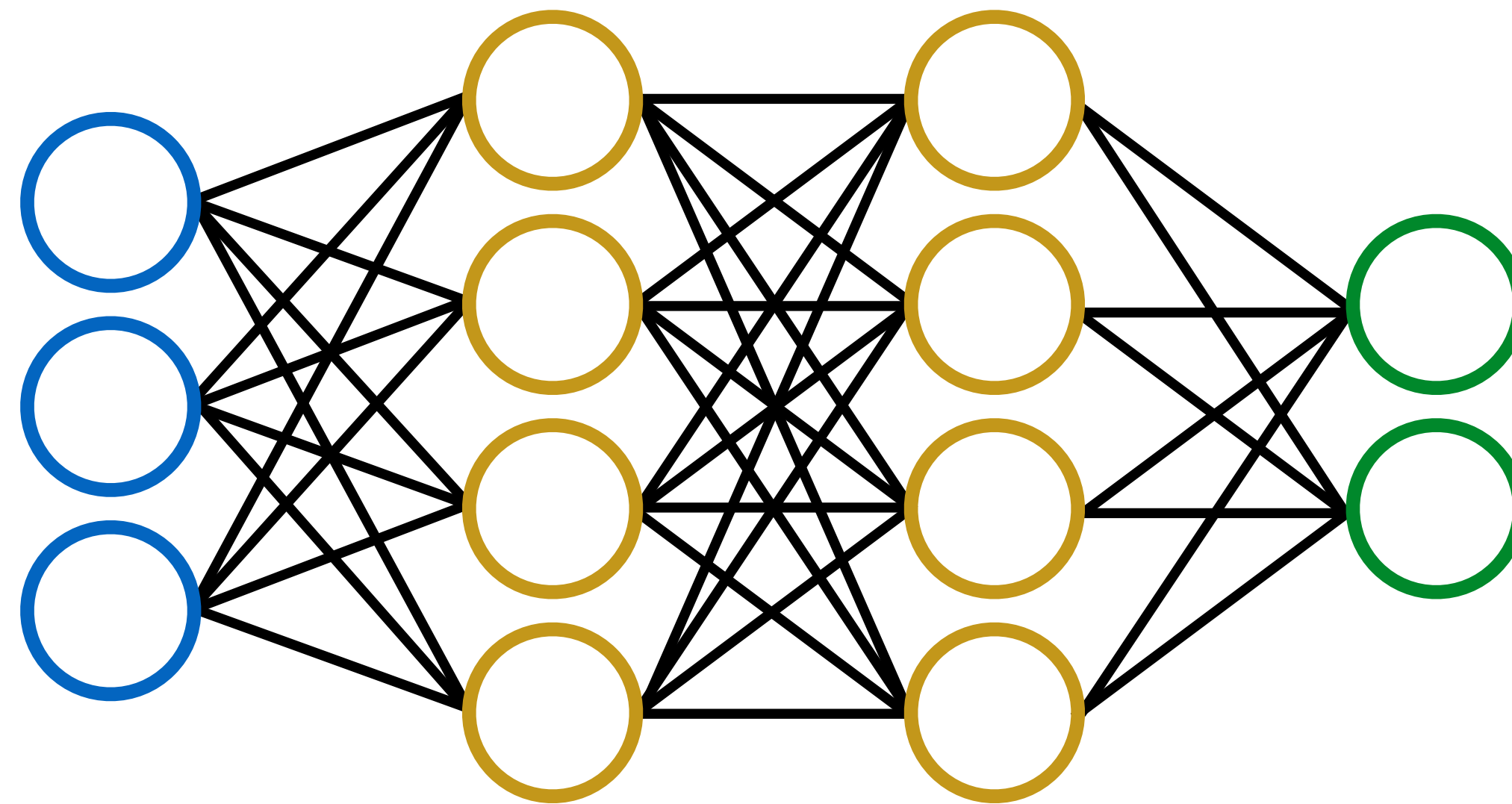


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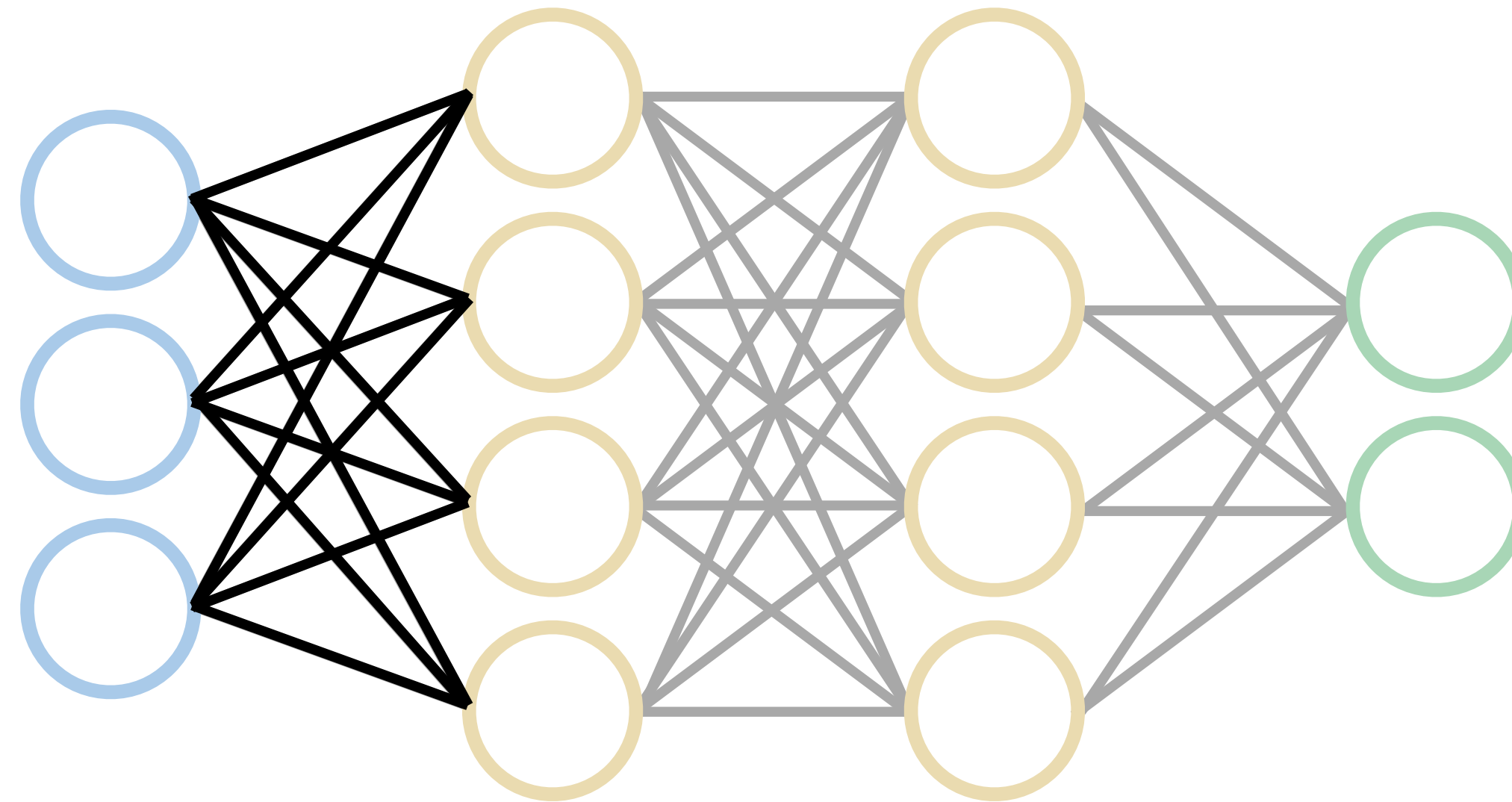
directed connections,
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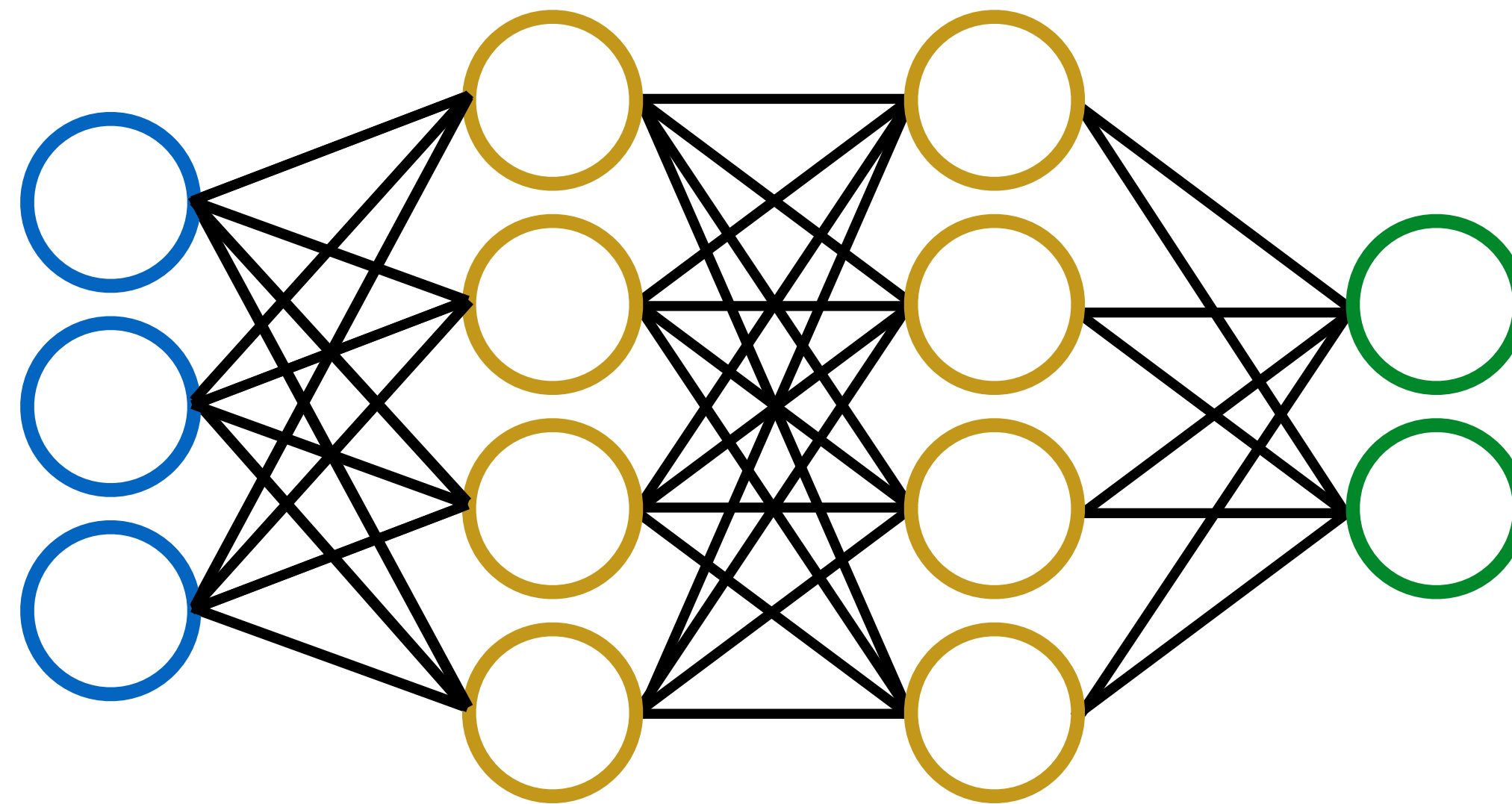


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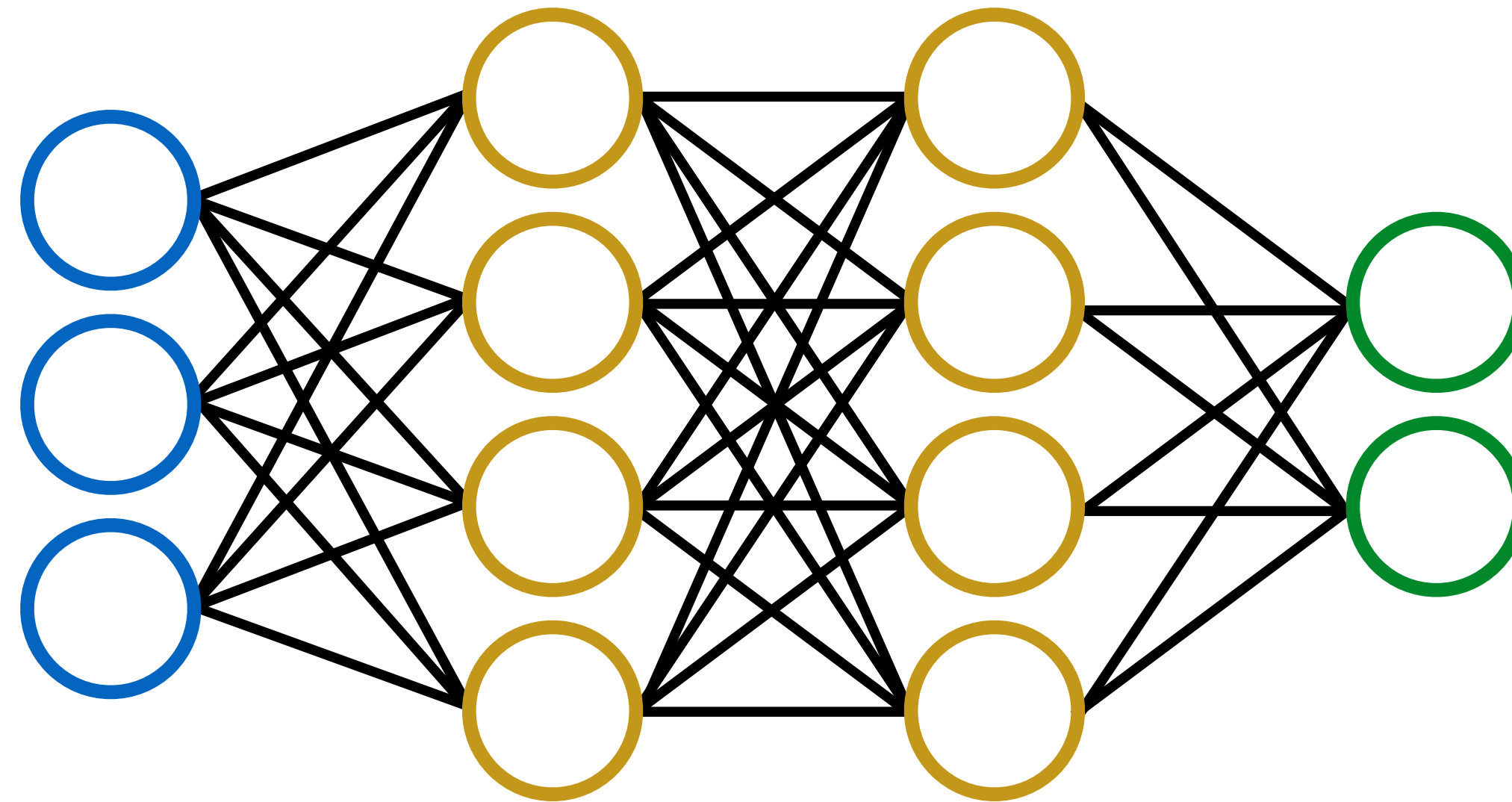


a weight **matrix**

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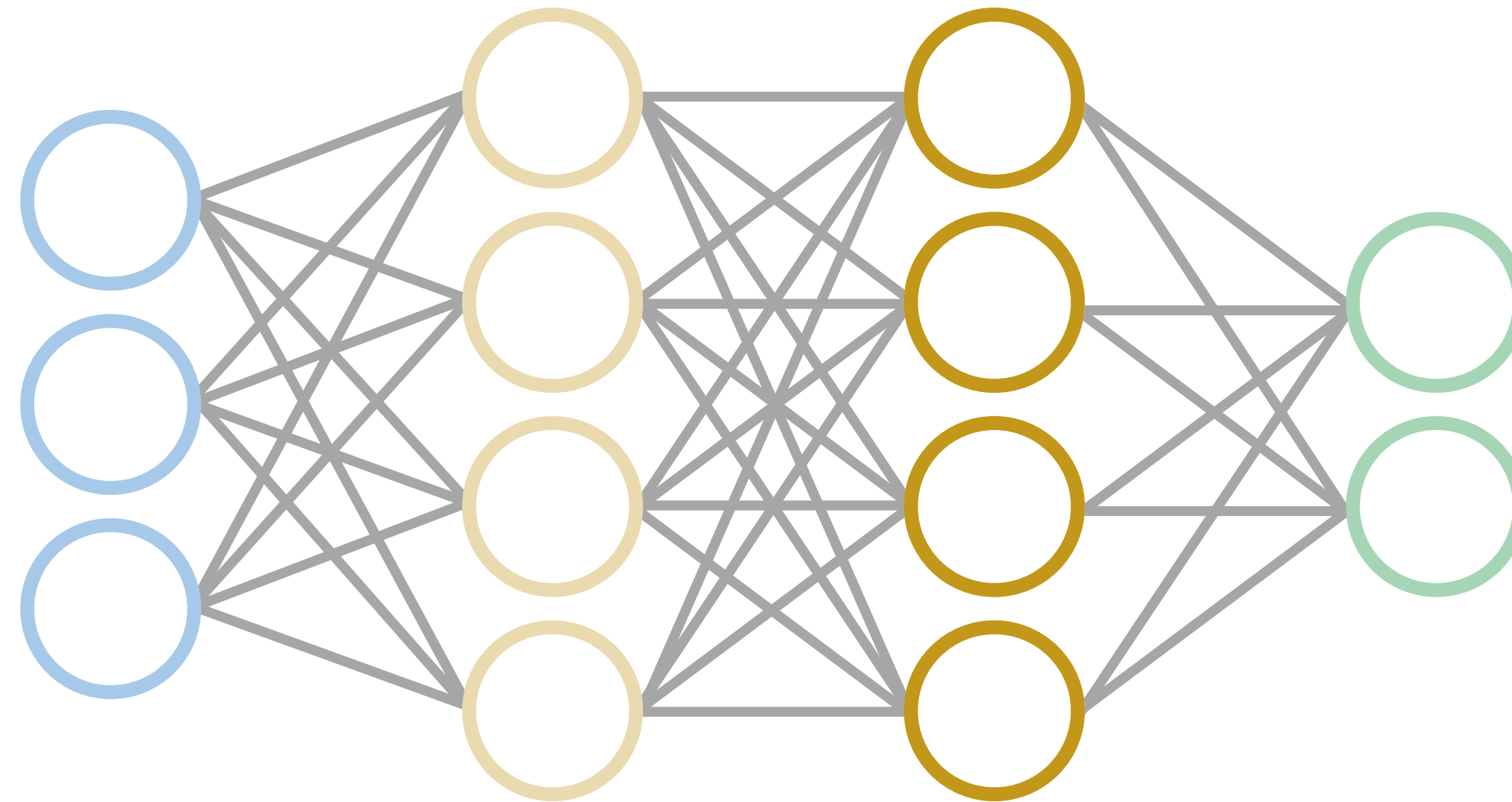


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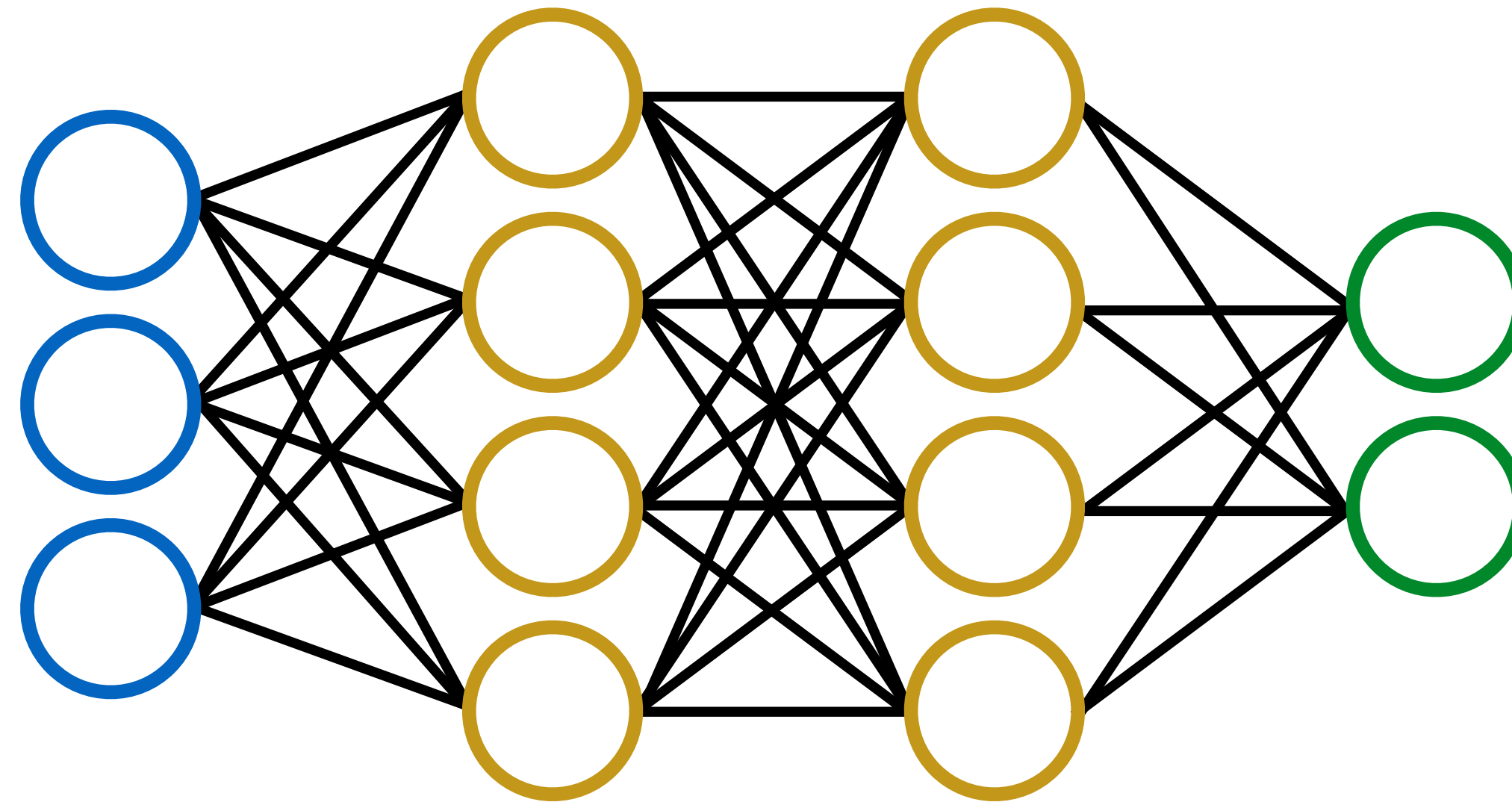


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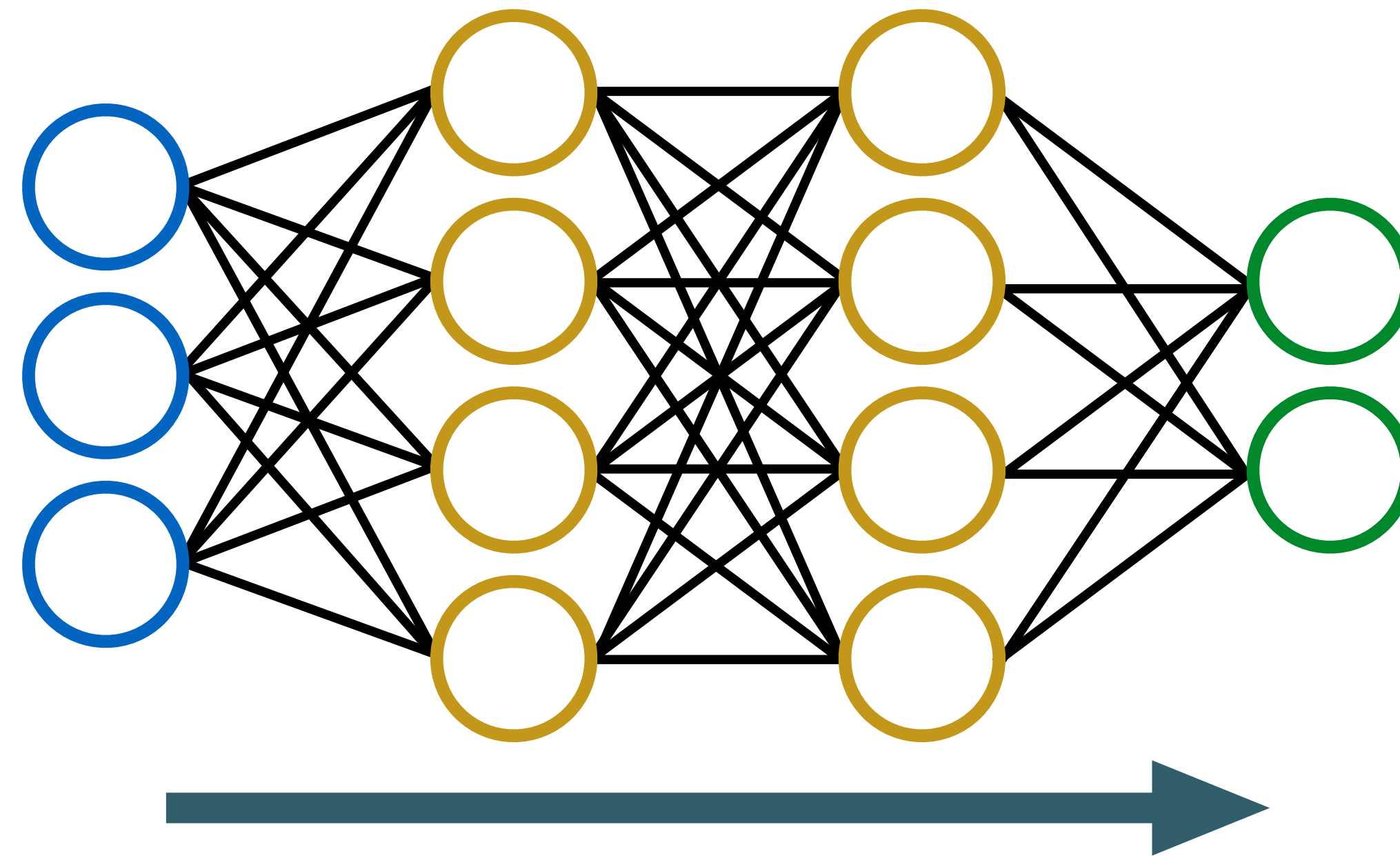
a hidden **layer**



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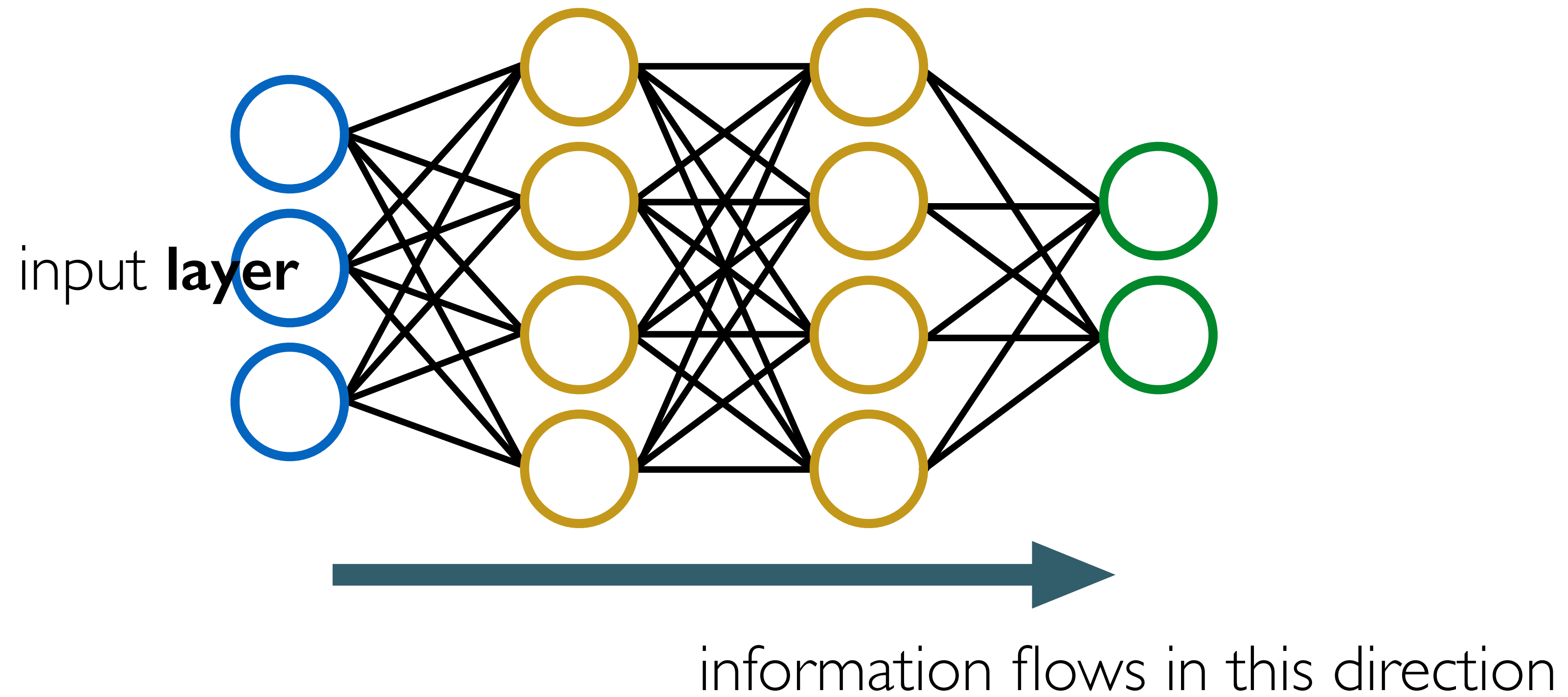


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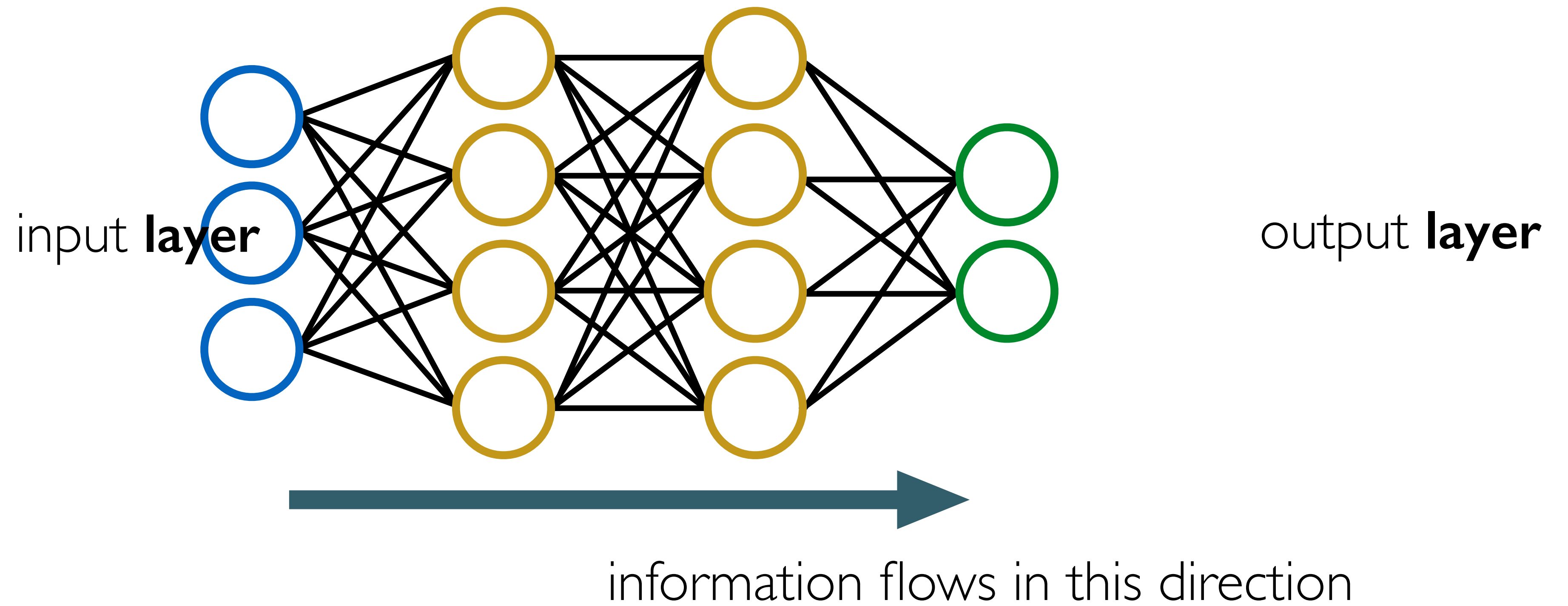


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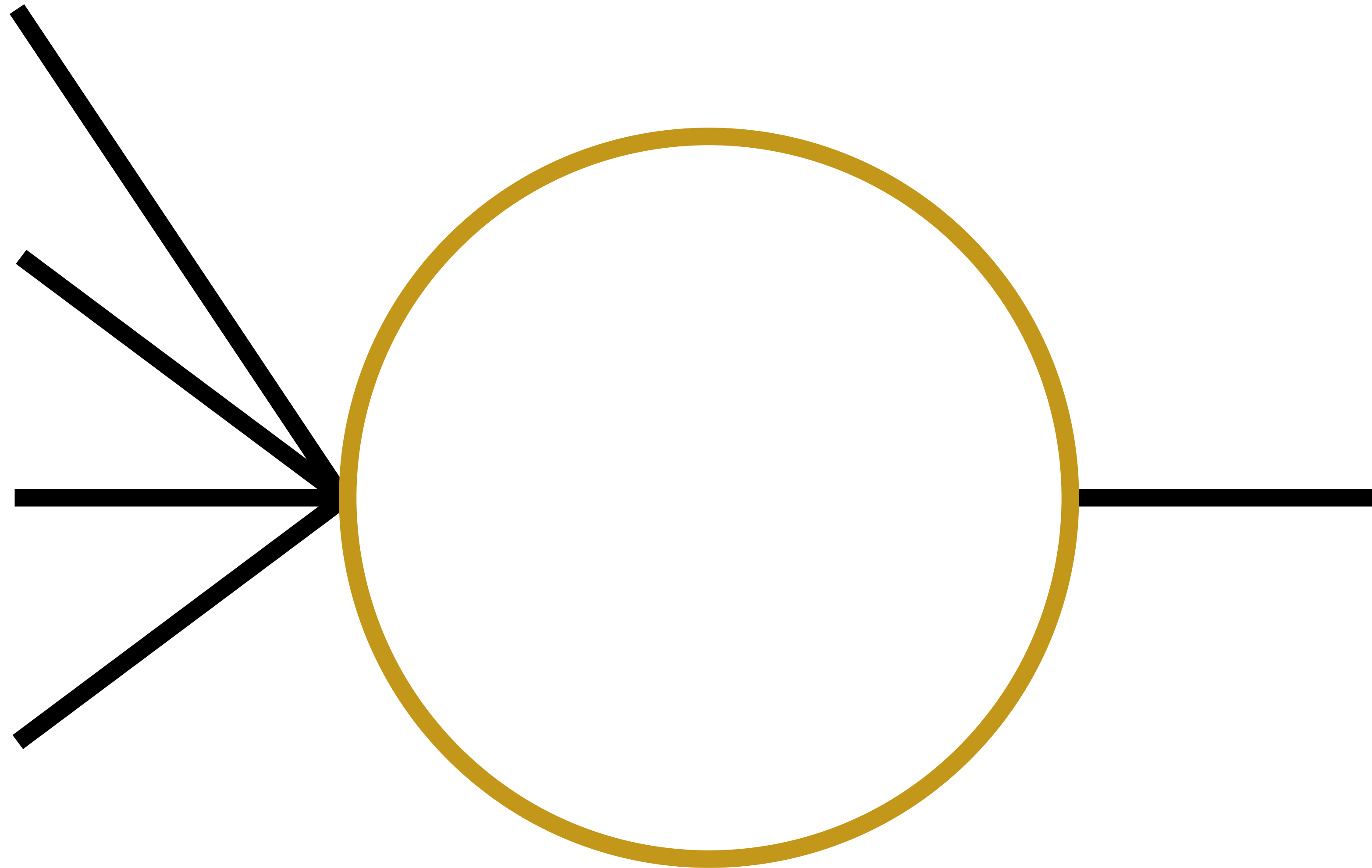
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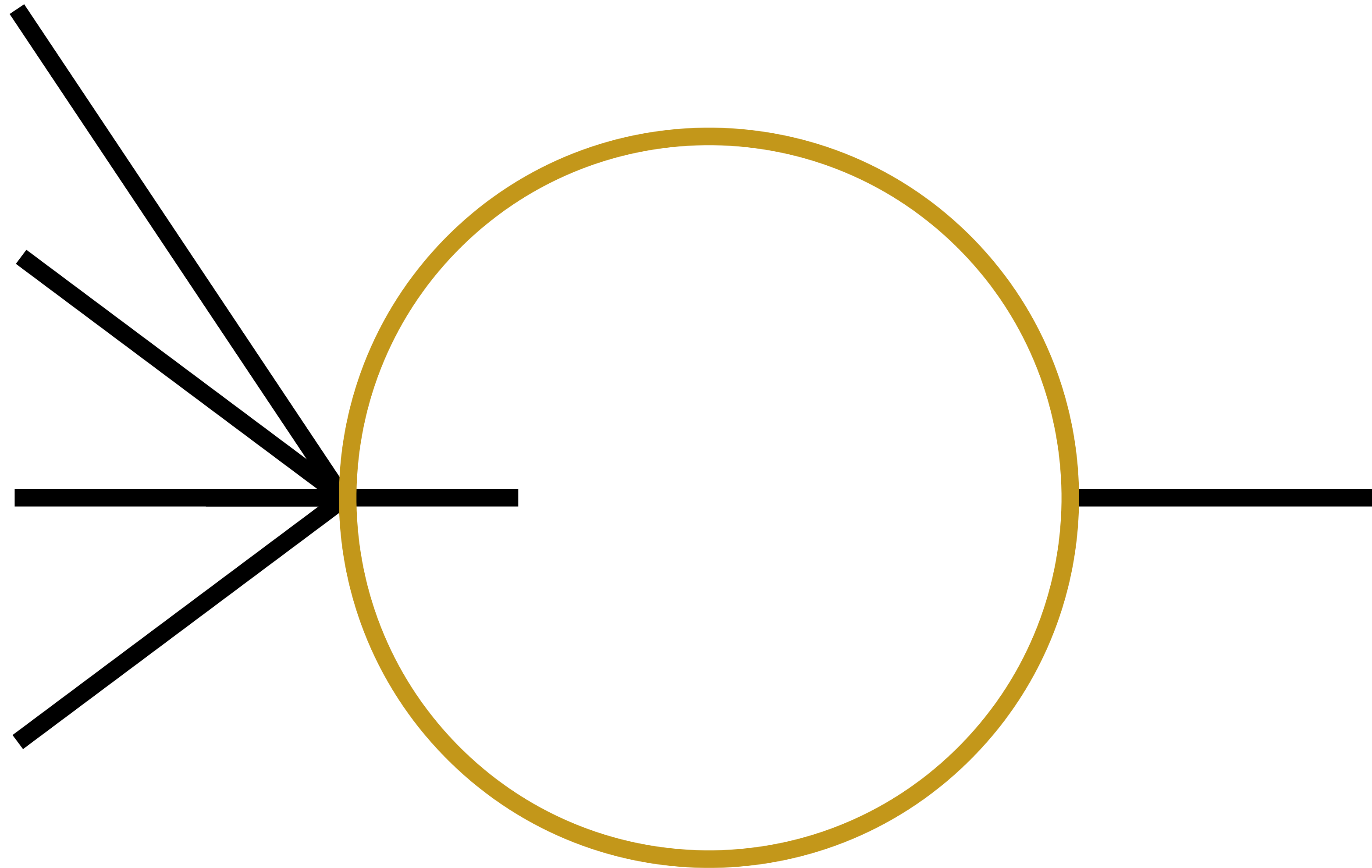
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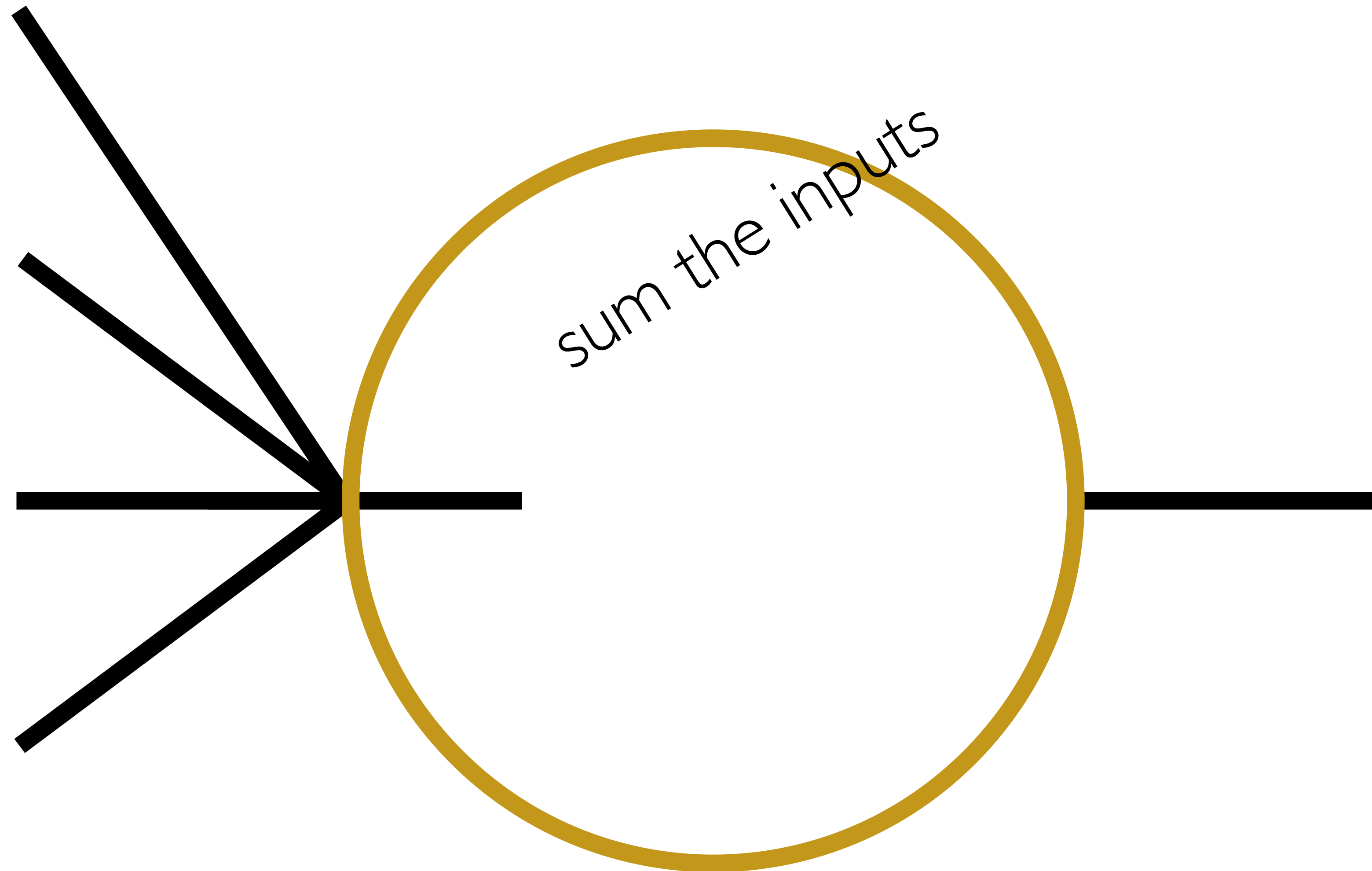
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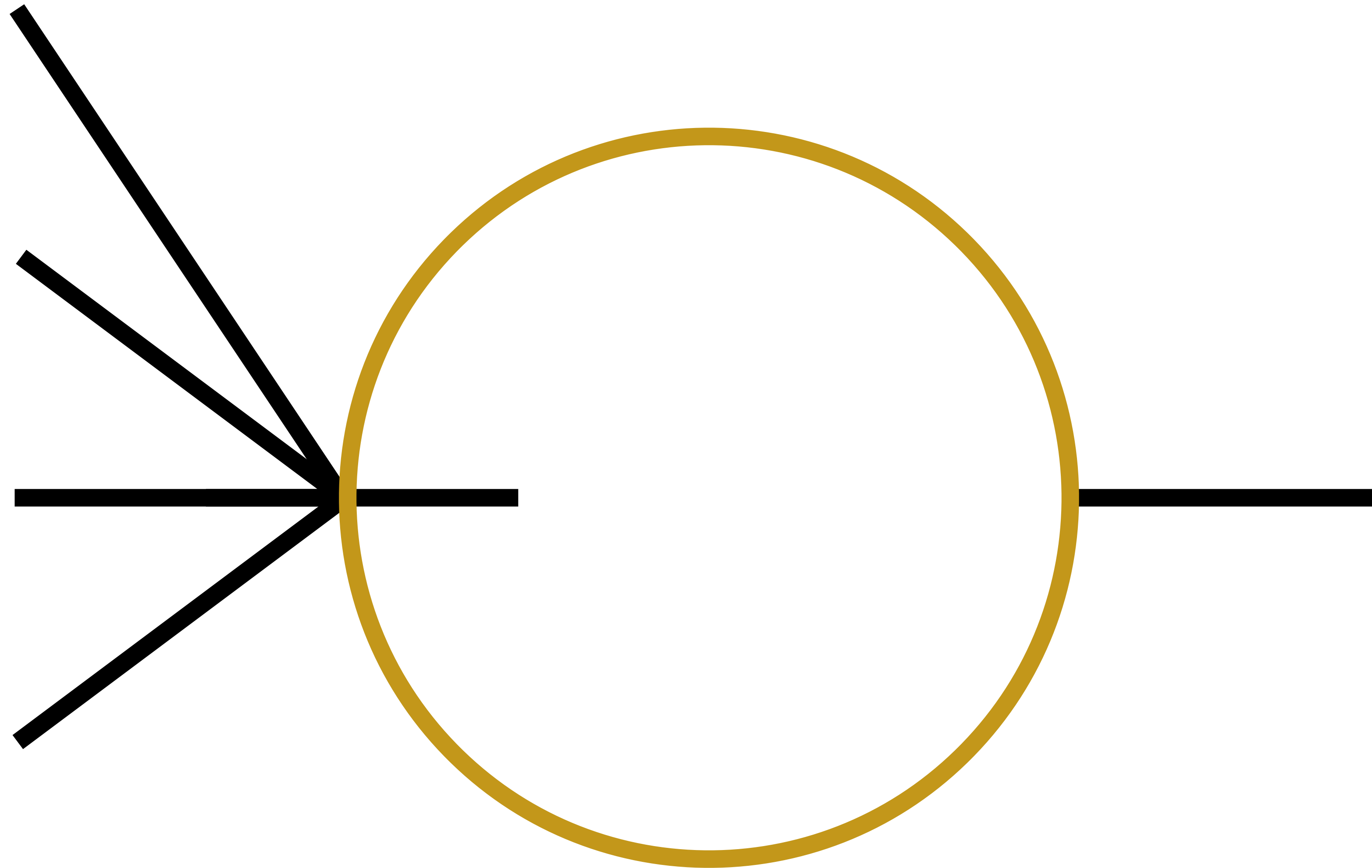
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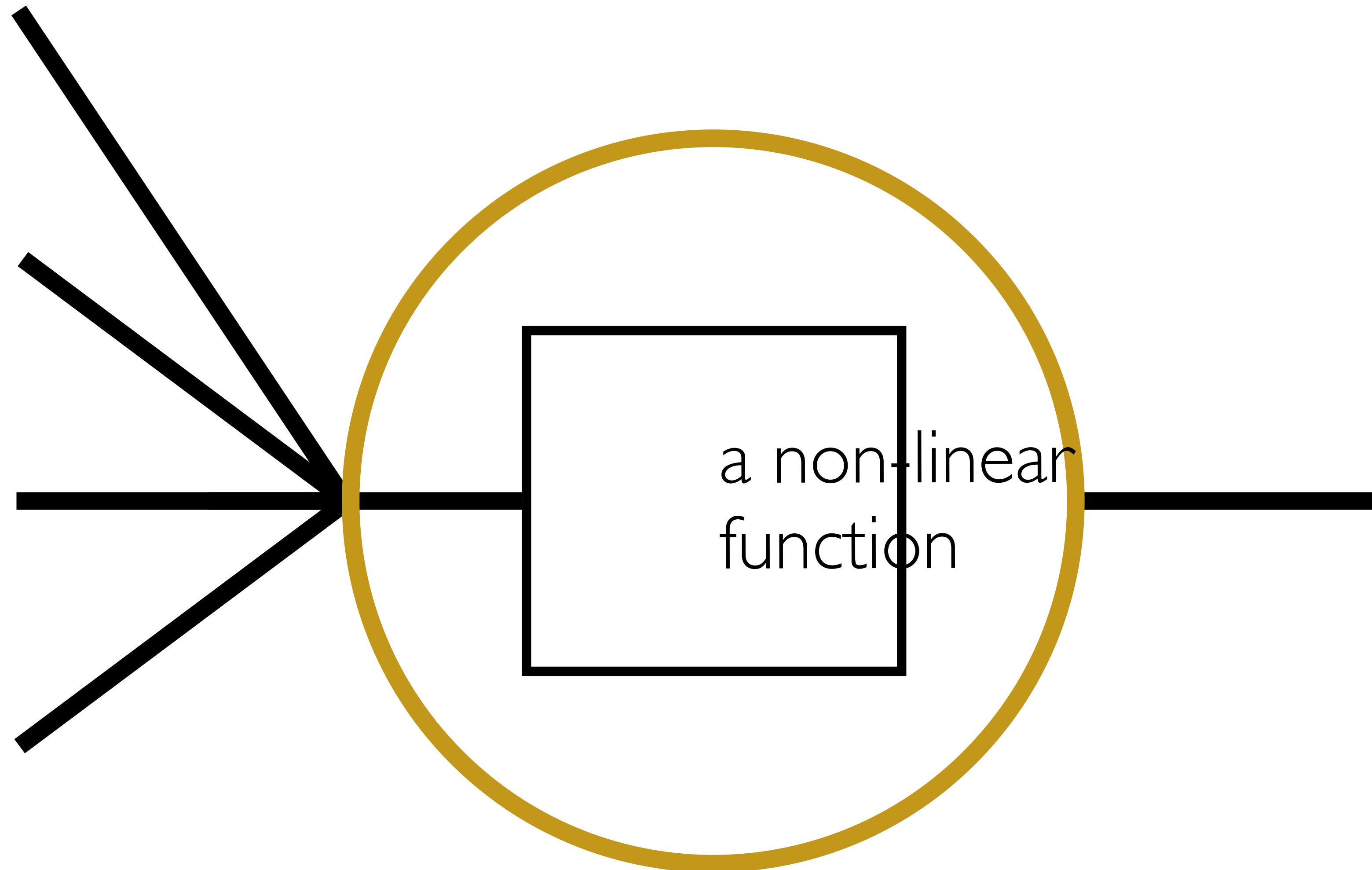
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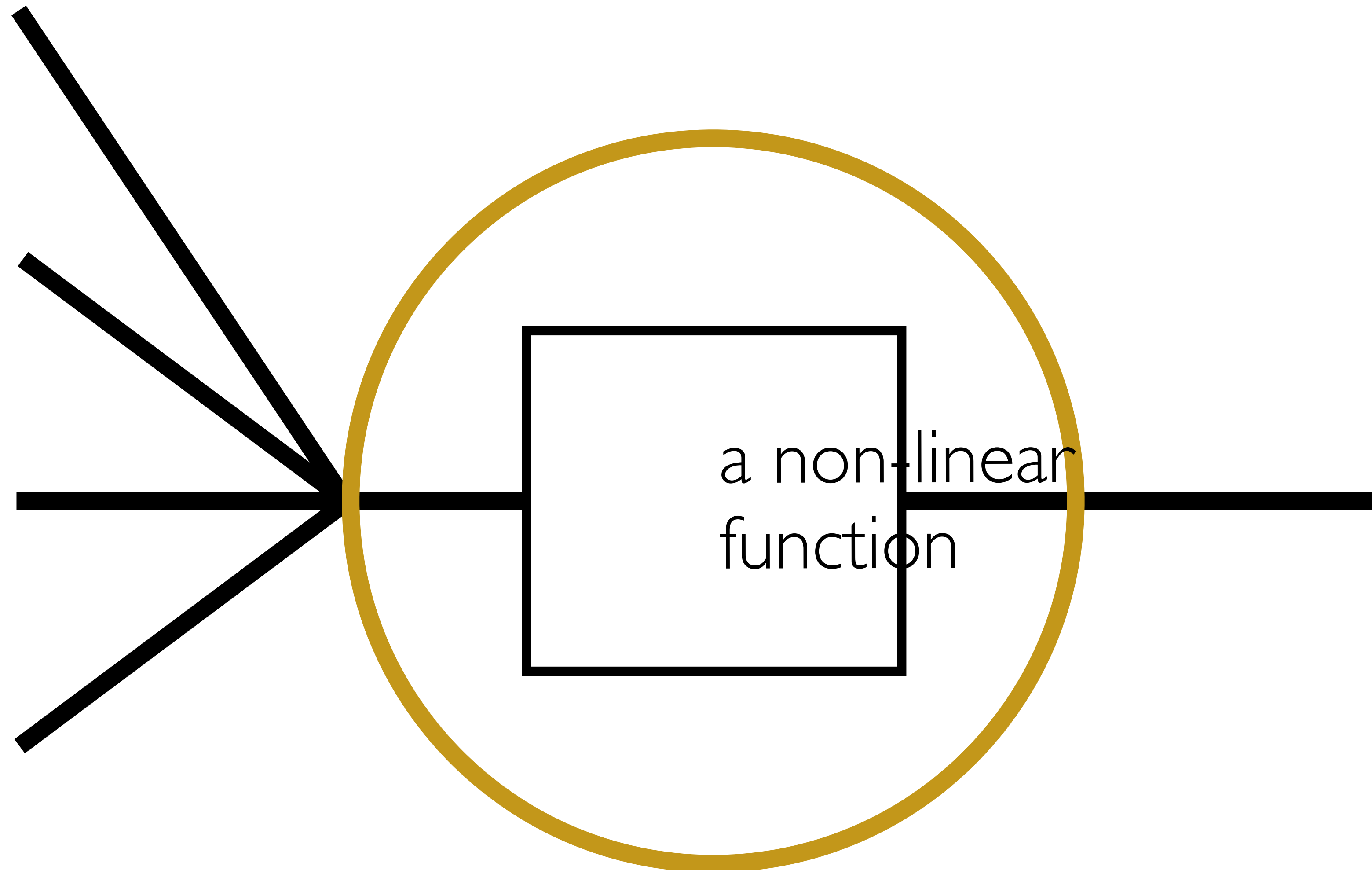
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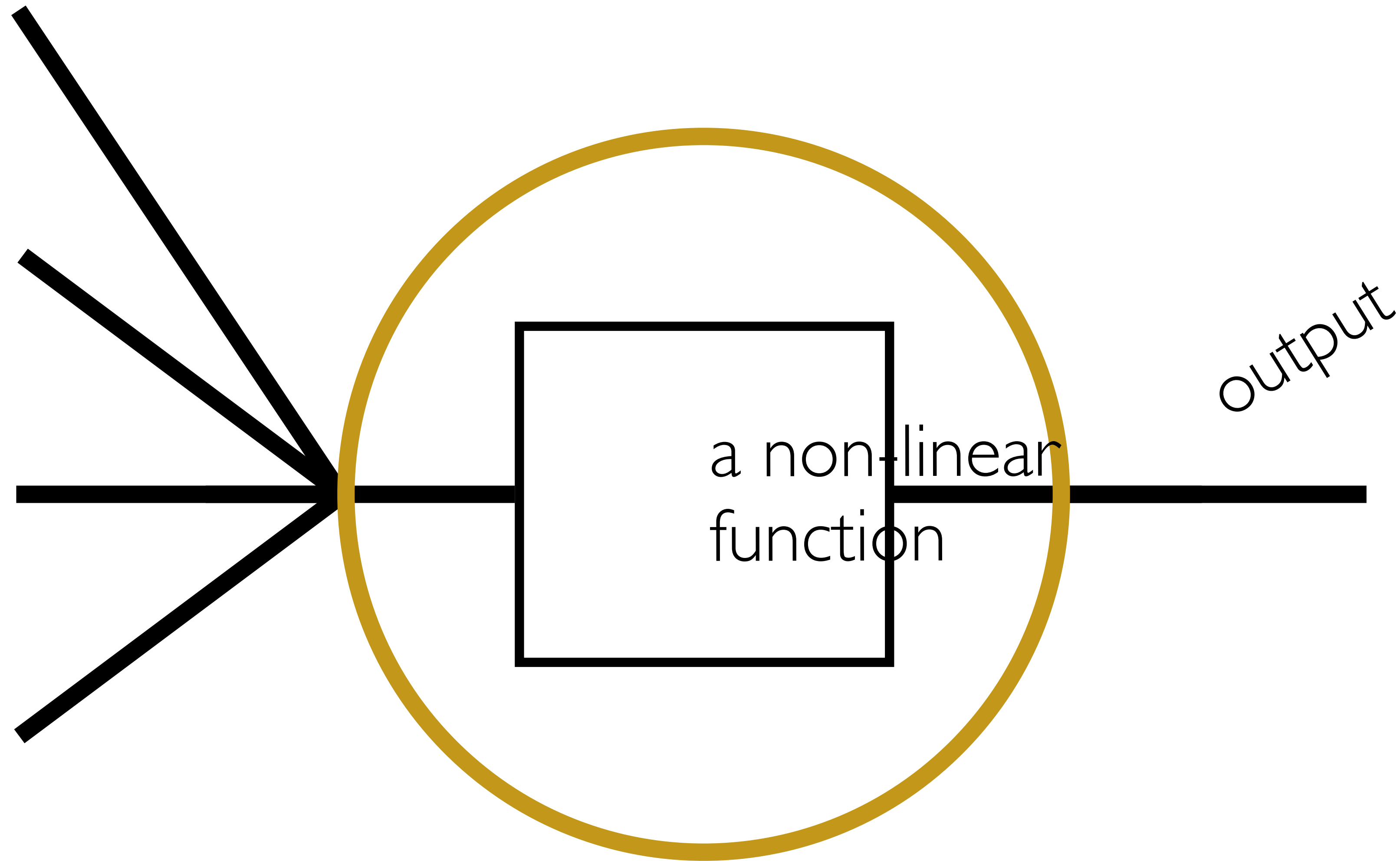
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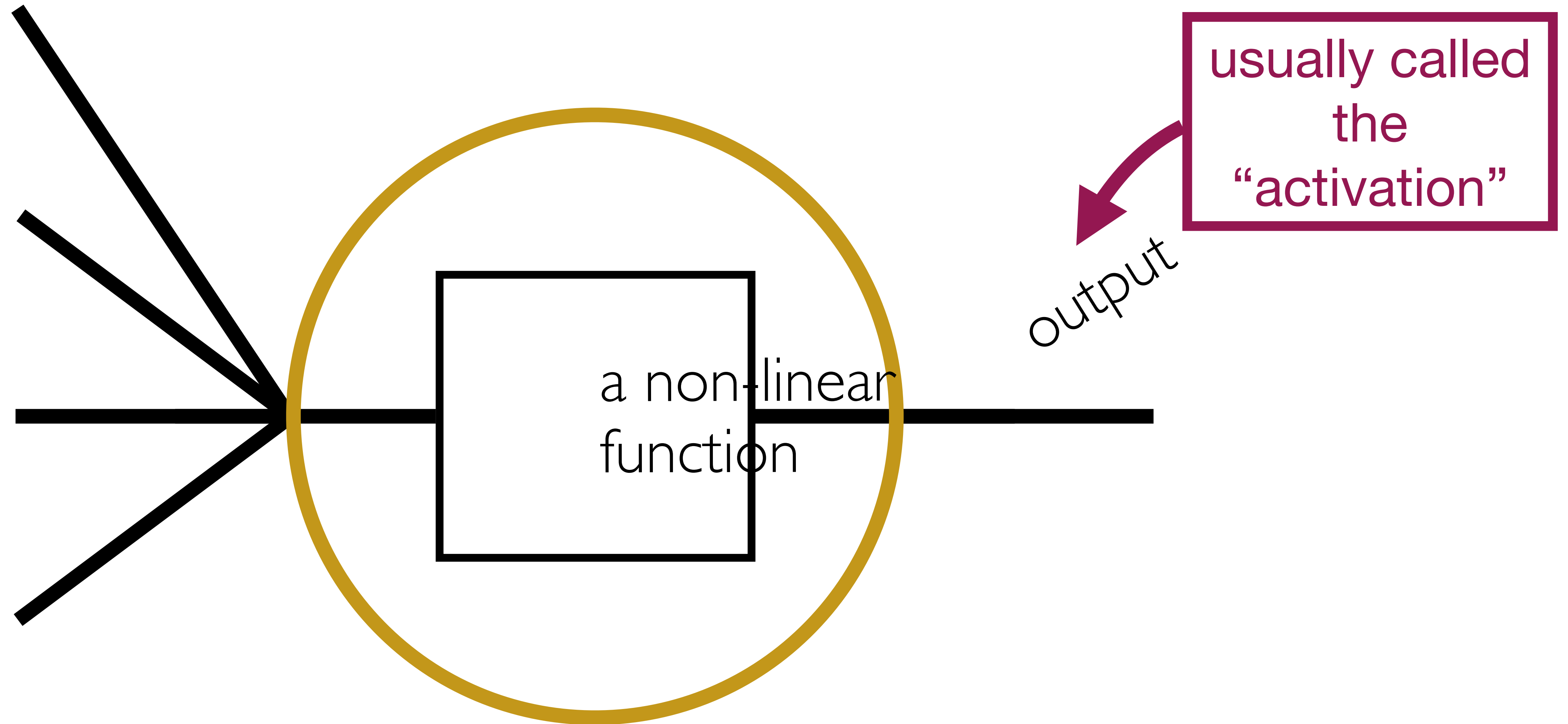
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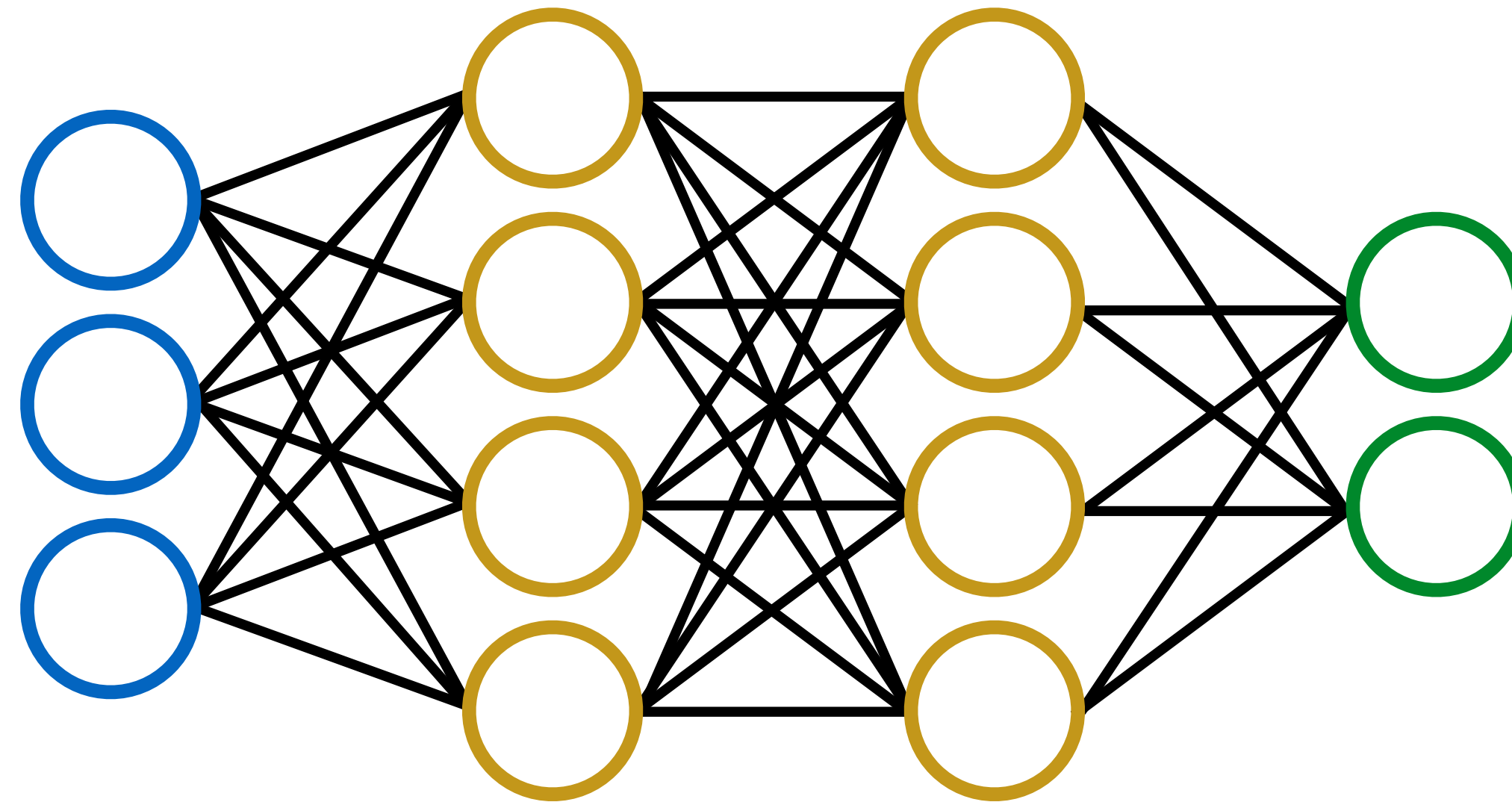
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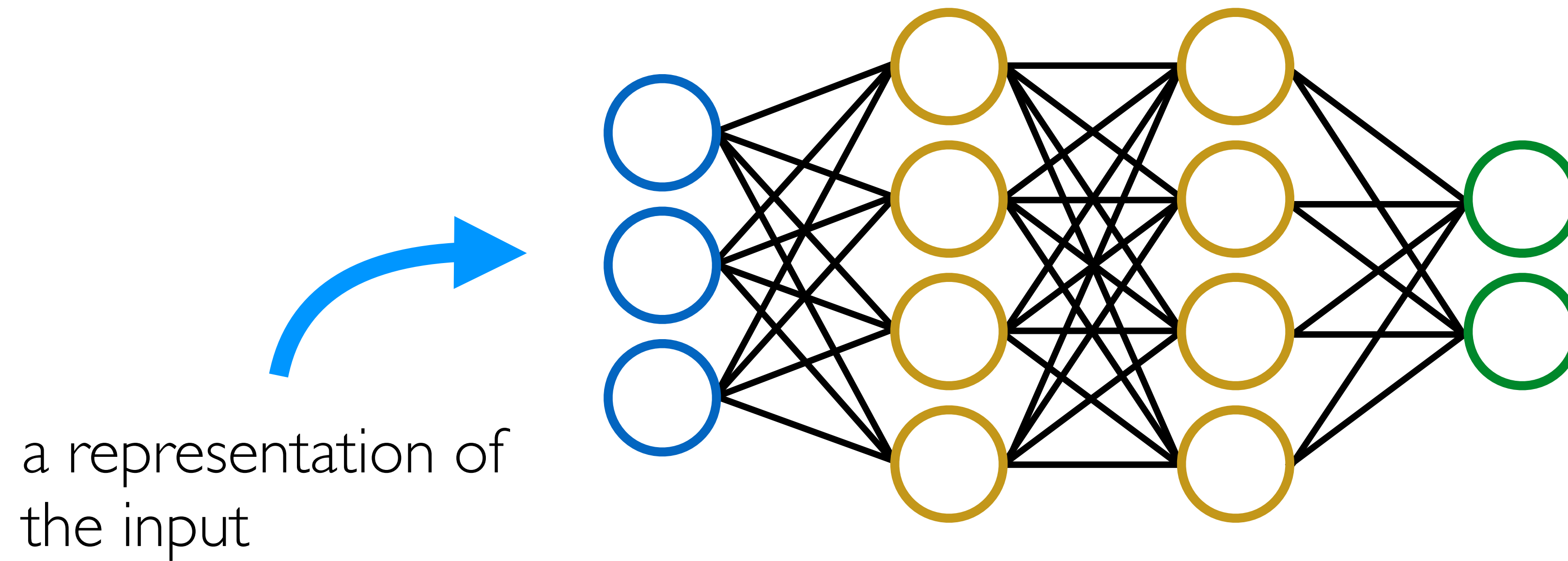
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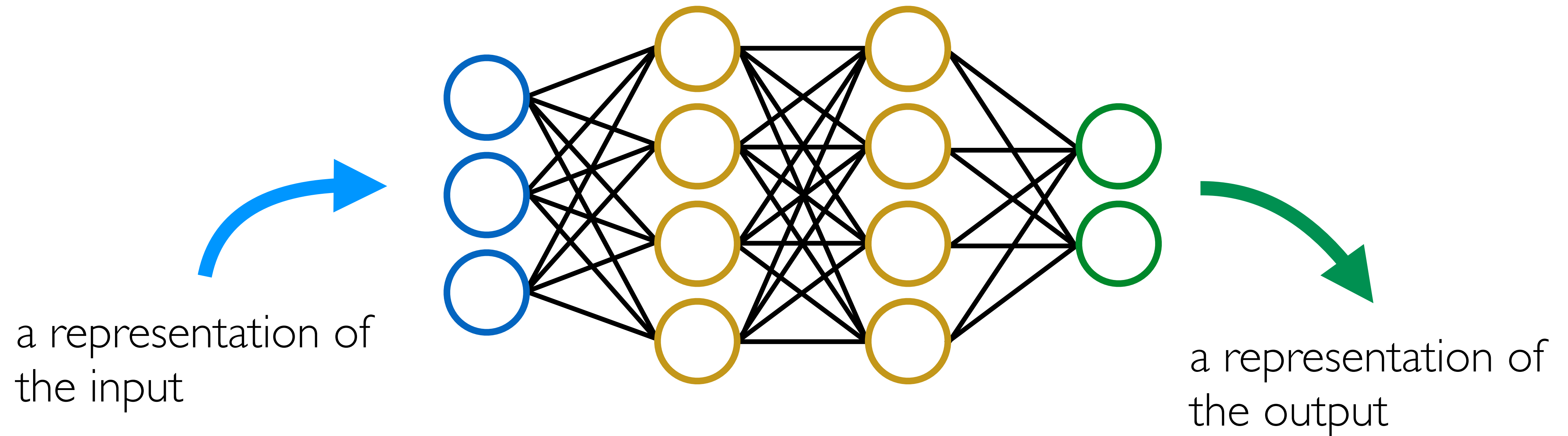
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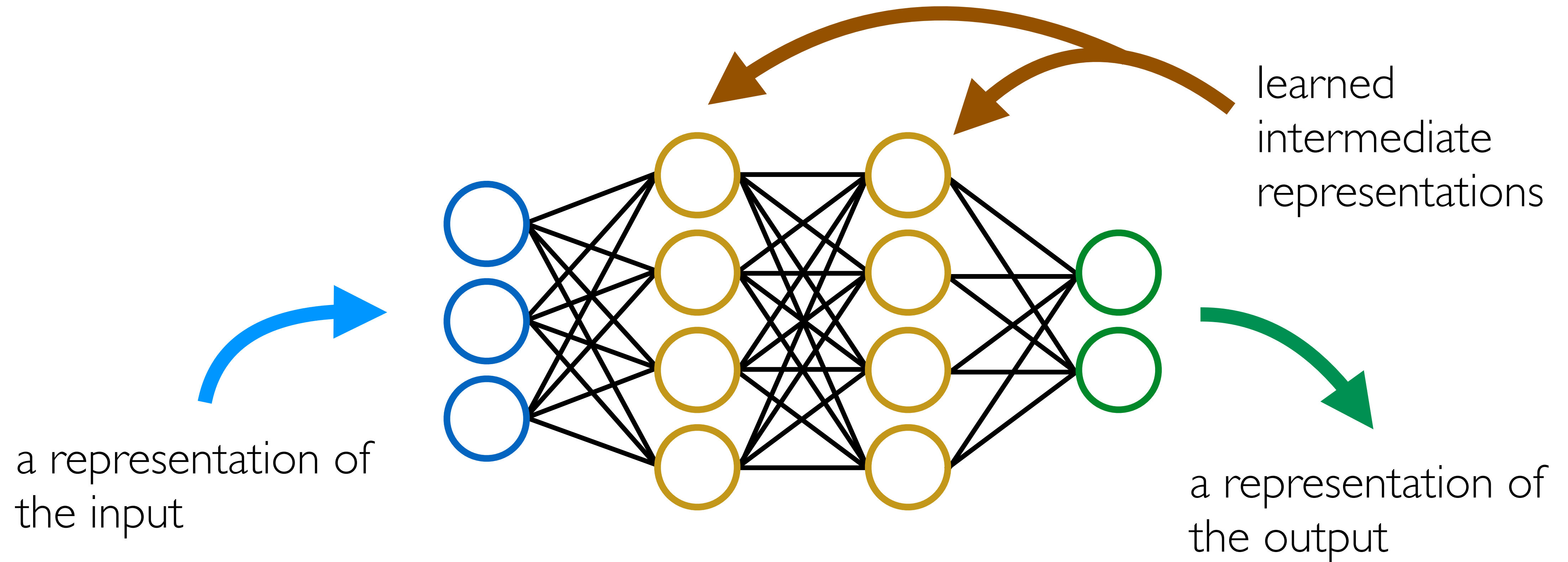
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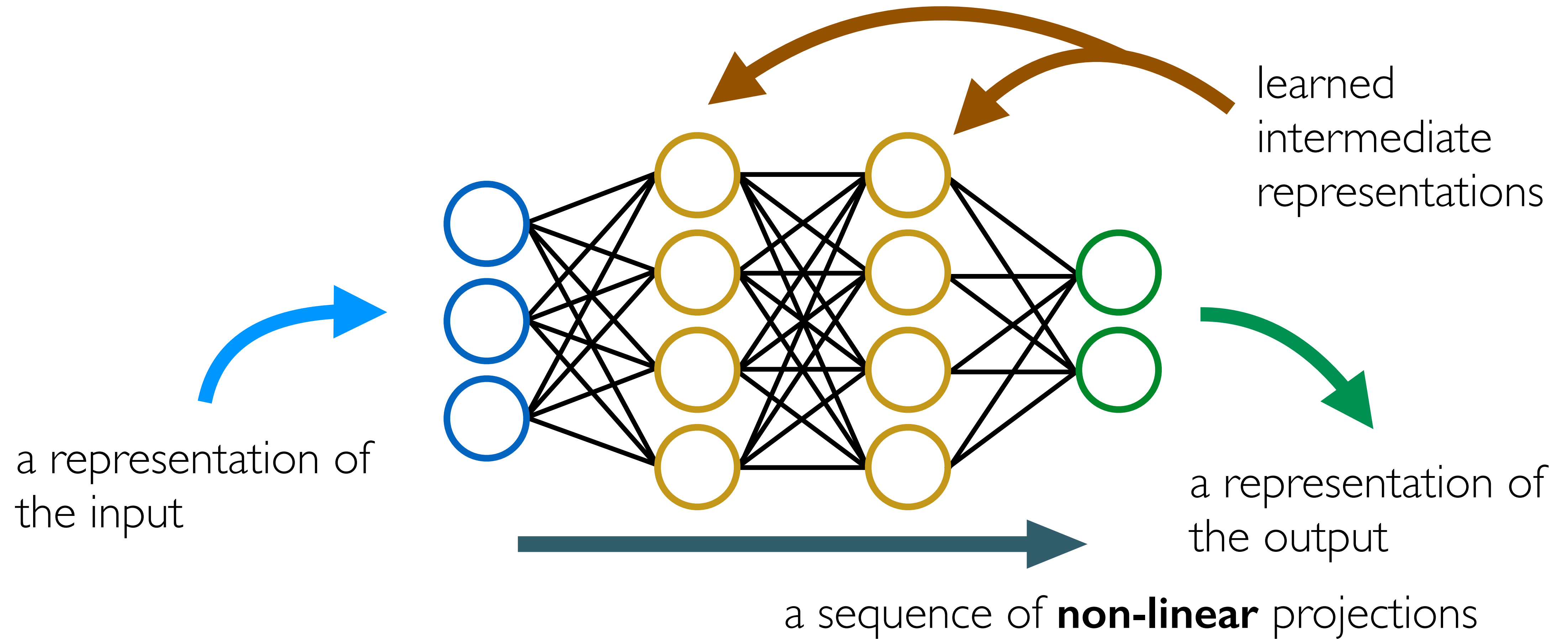
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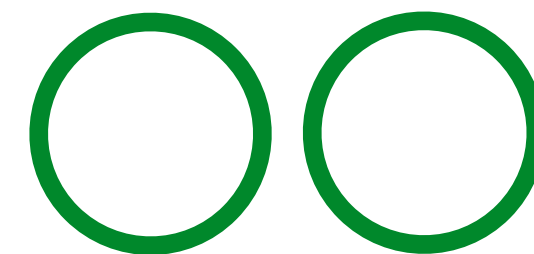
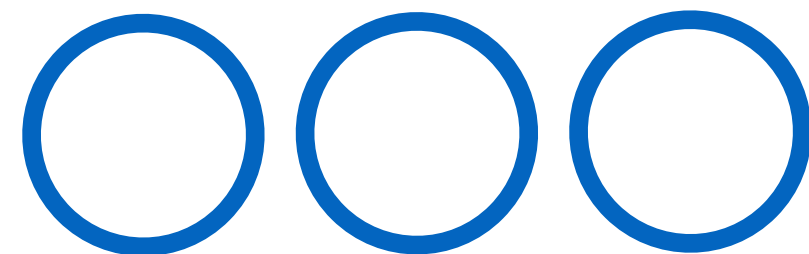
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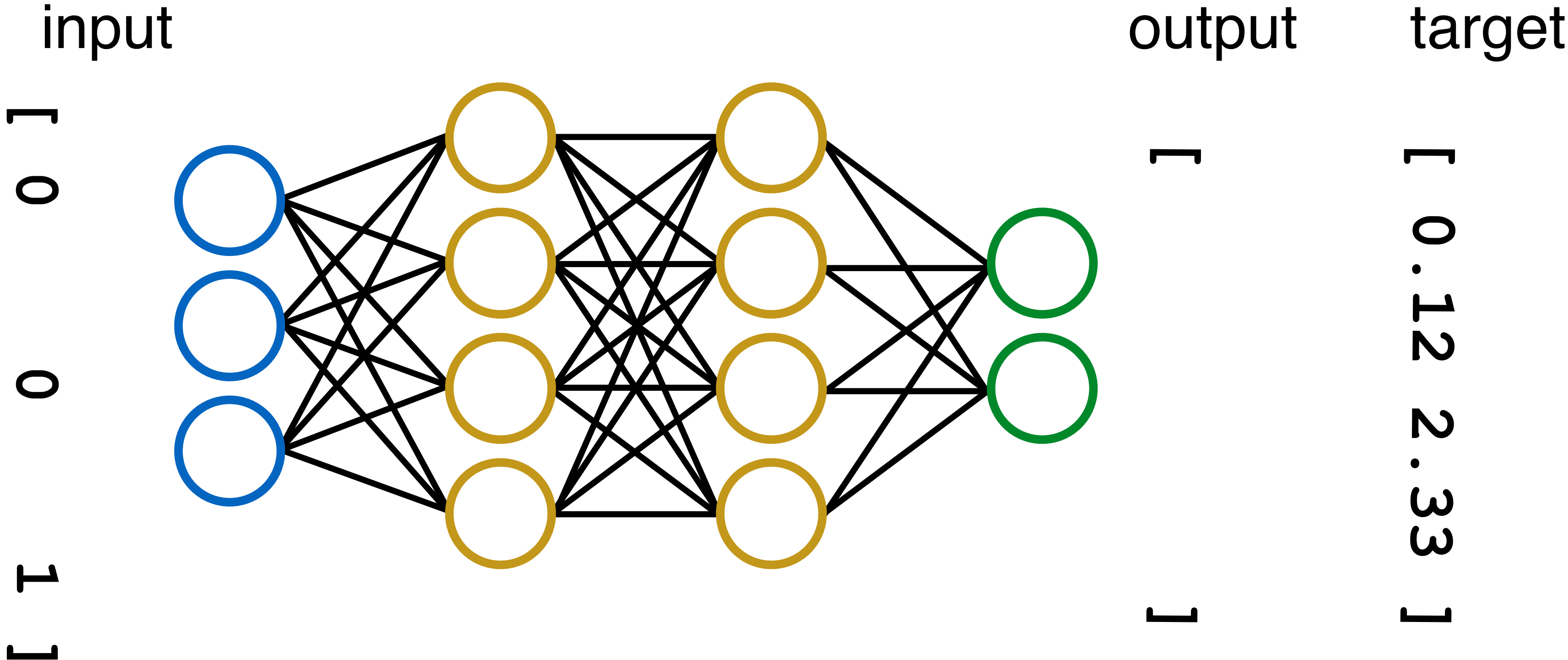
Supervised machine learning : input-output pairs (the output is the label for the input example)

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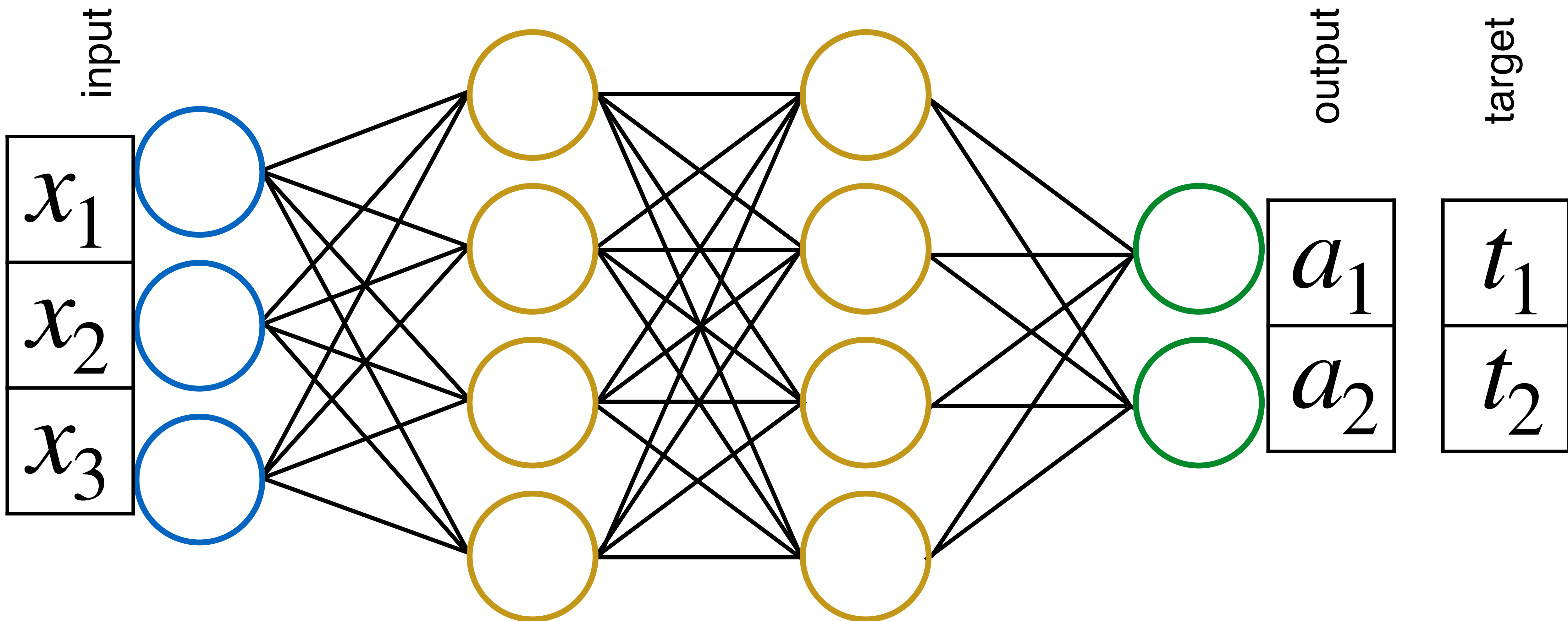
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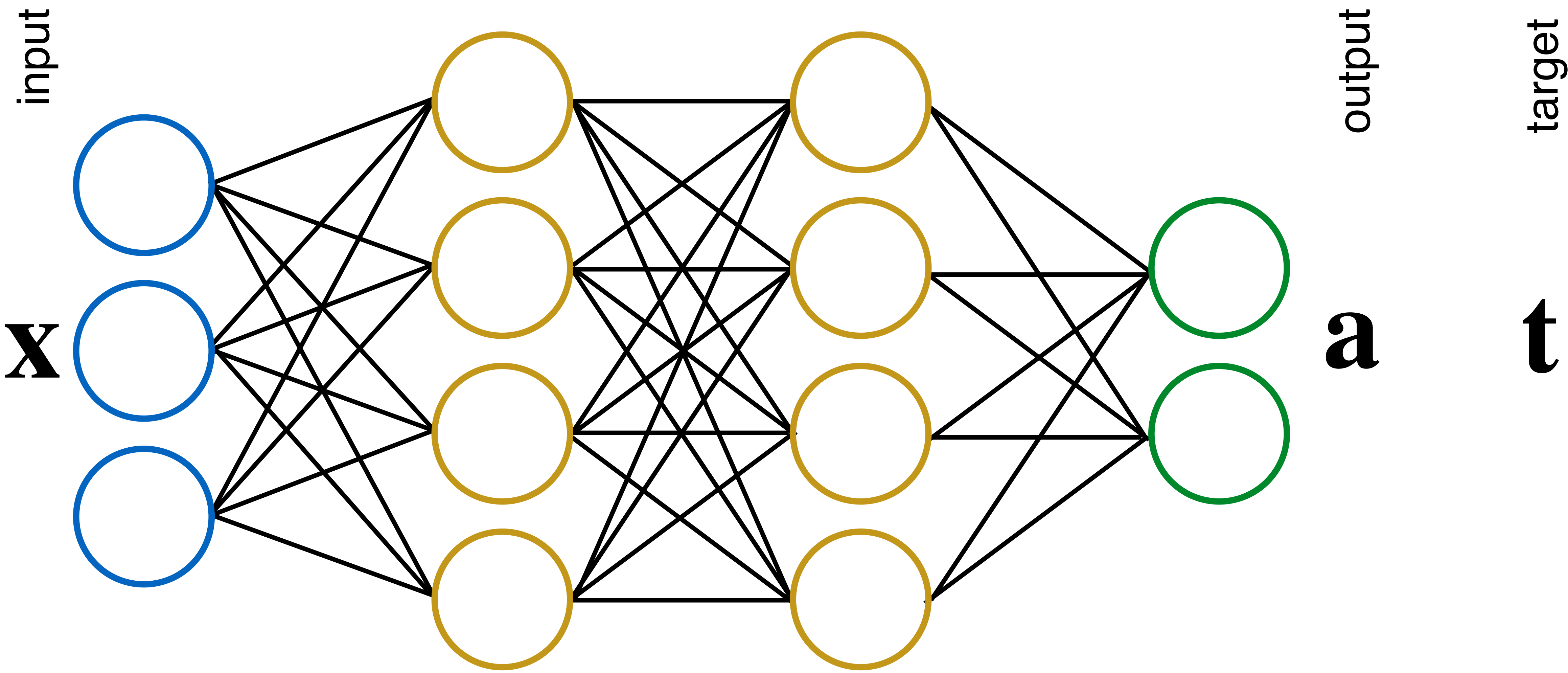
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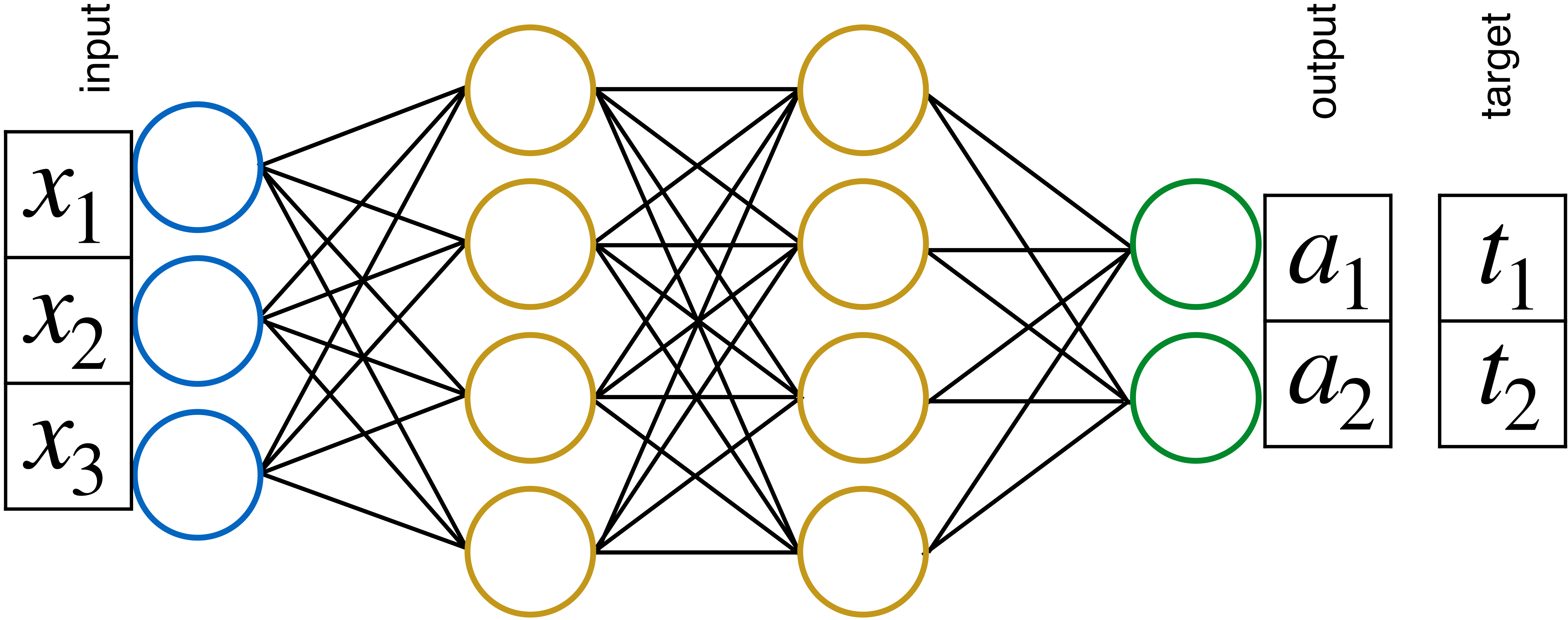
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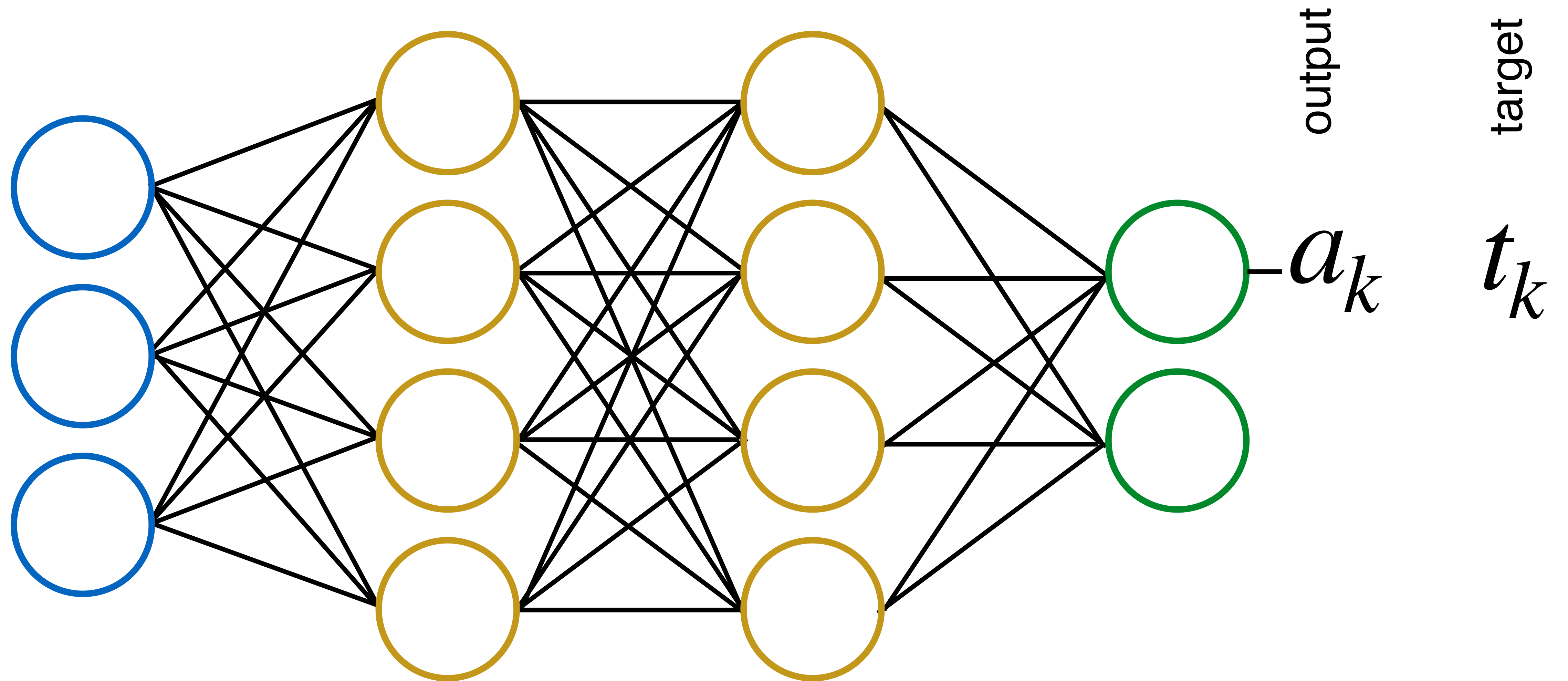
input, output, target - could write as vectors



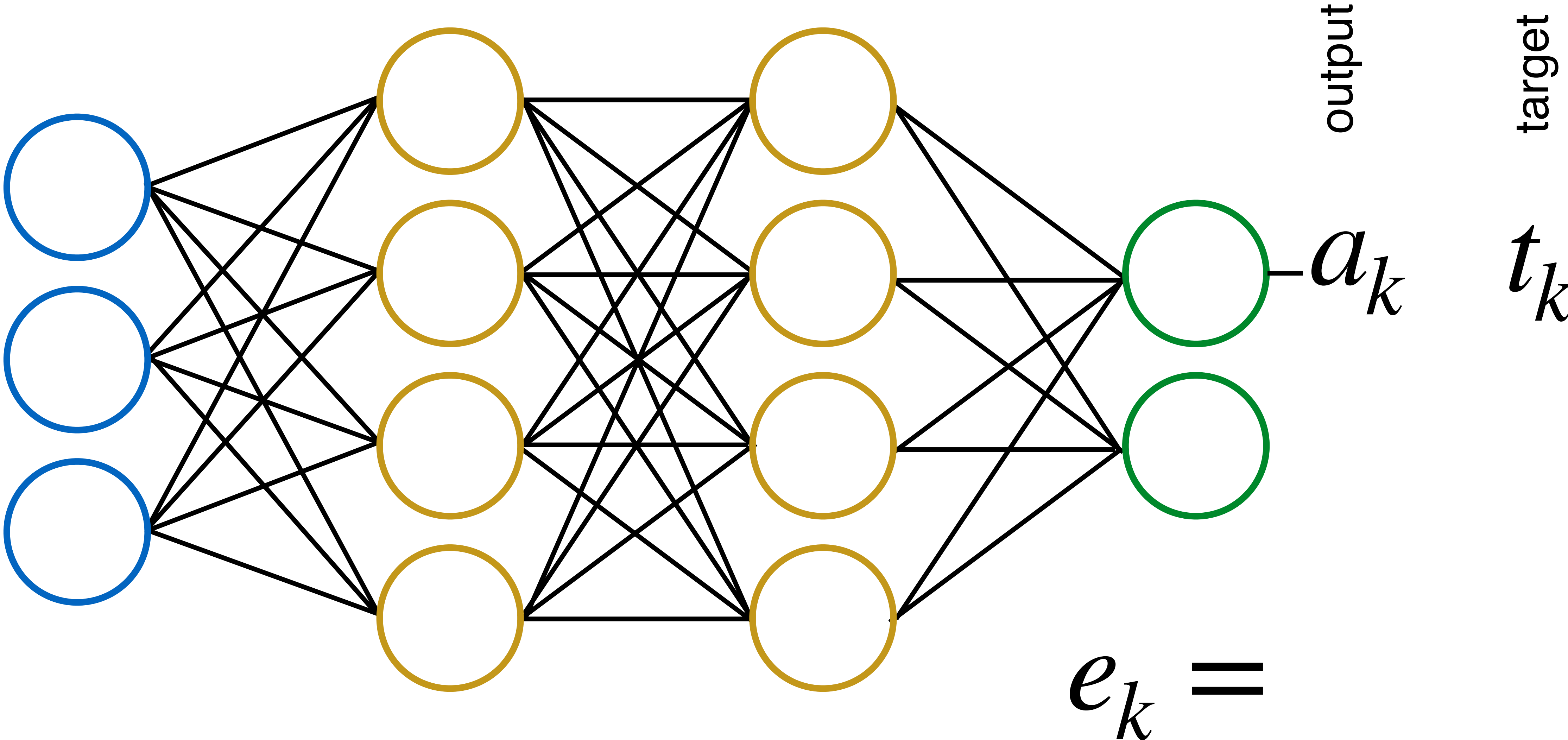
The goal of training is to choose model parameters that minimise error



Each output is the activation of a unit in the output layer



The error at one output



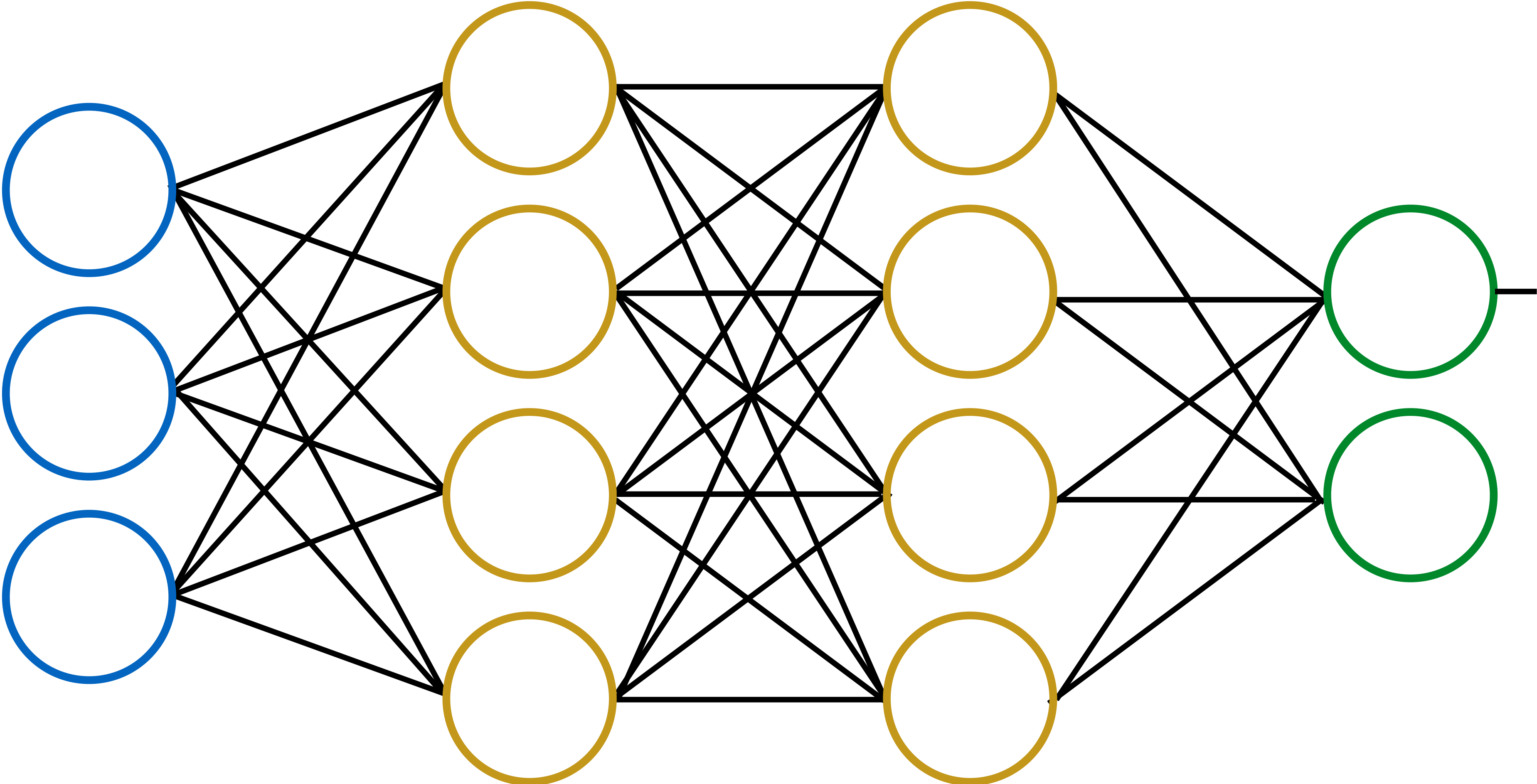
Define the total error to be minimised : E

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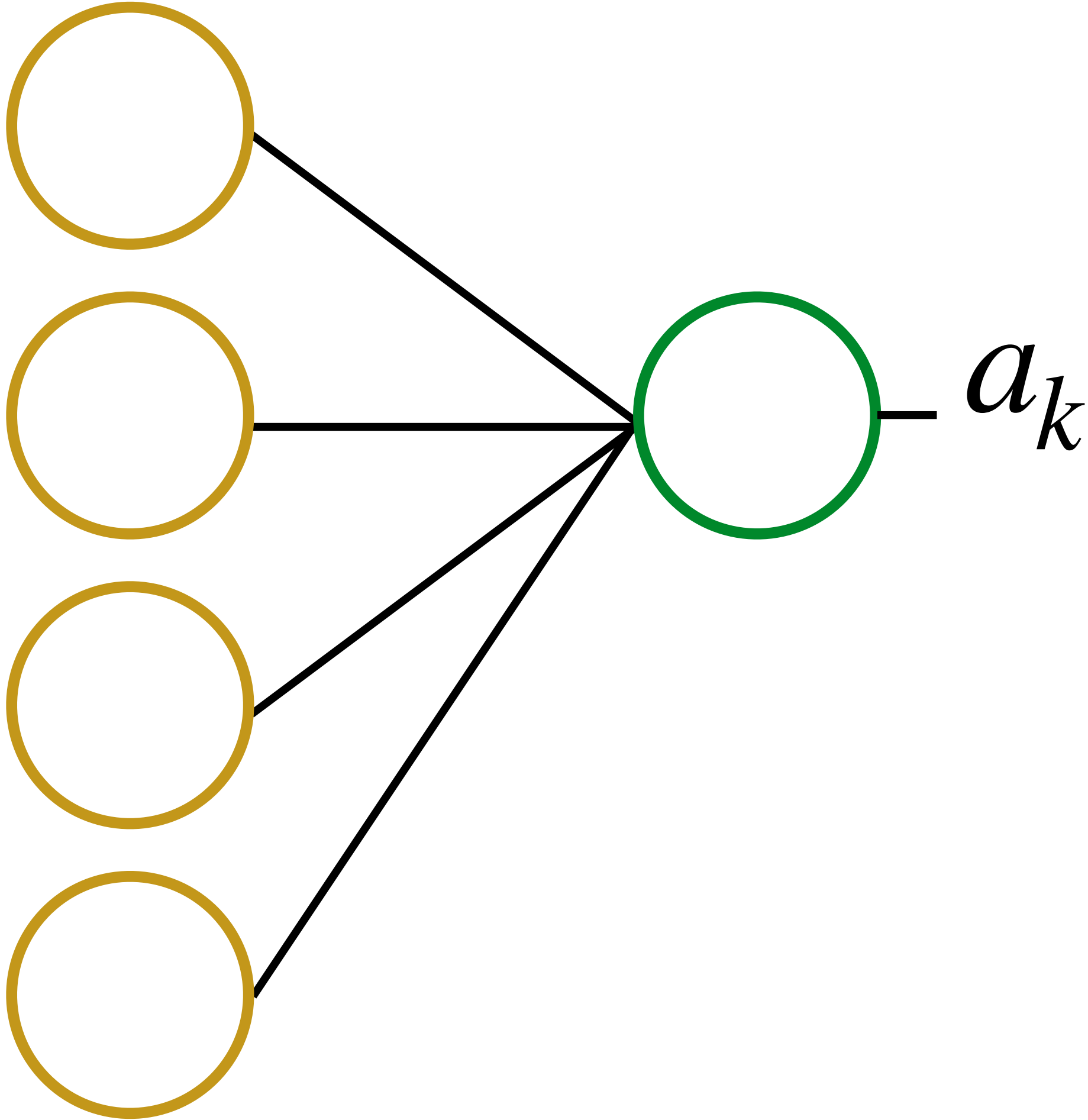
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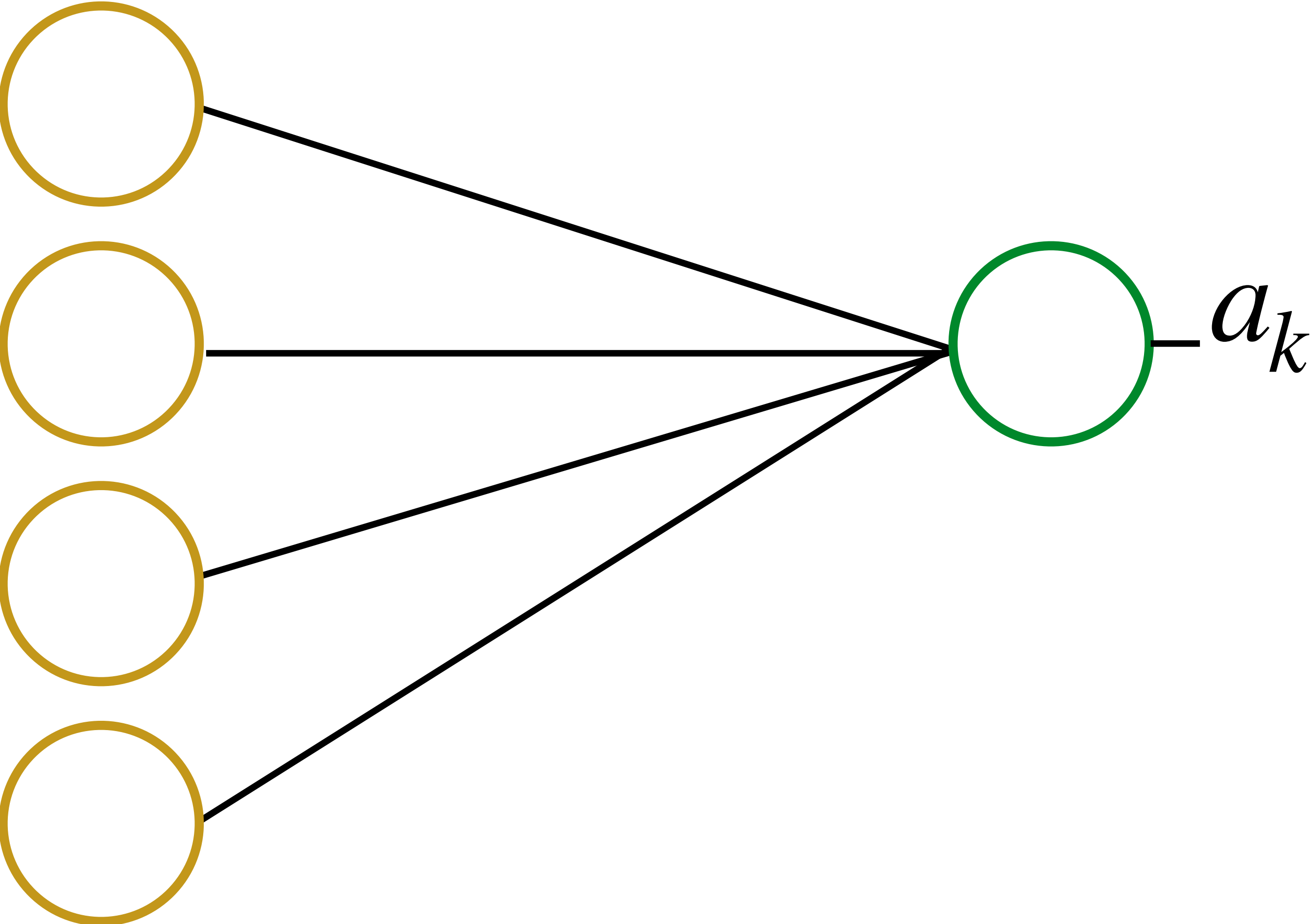
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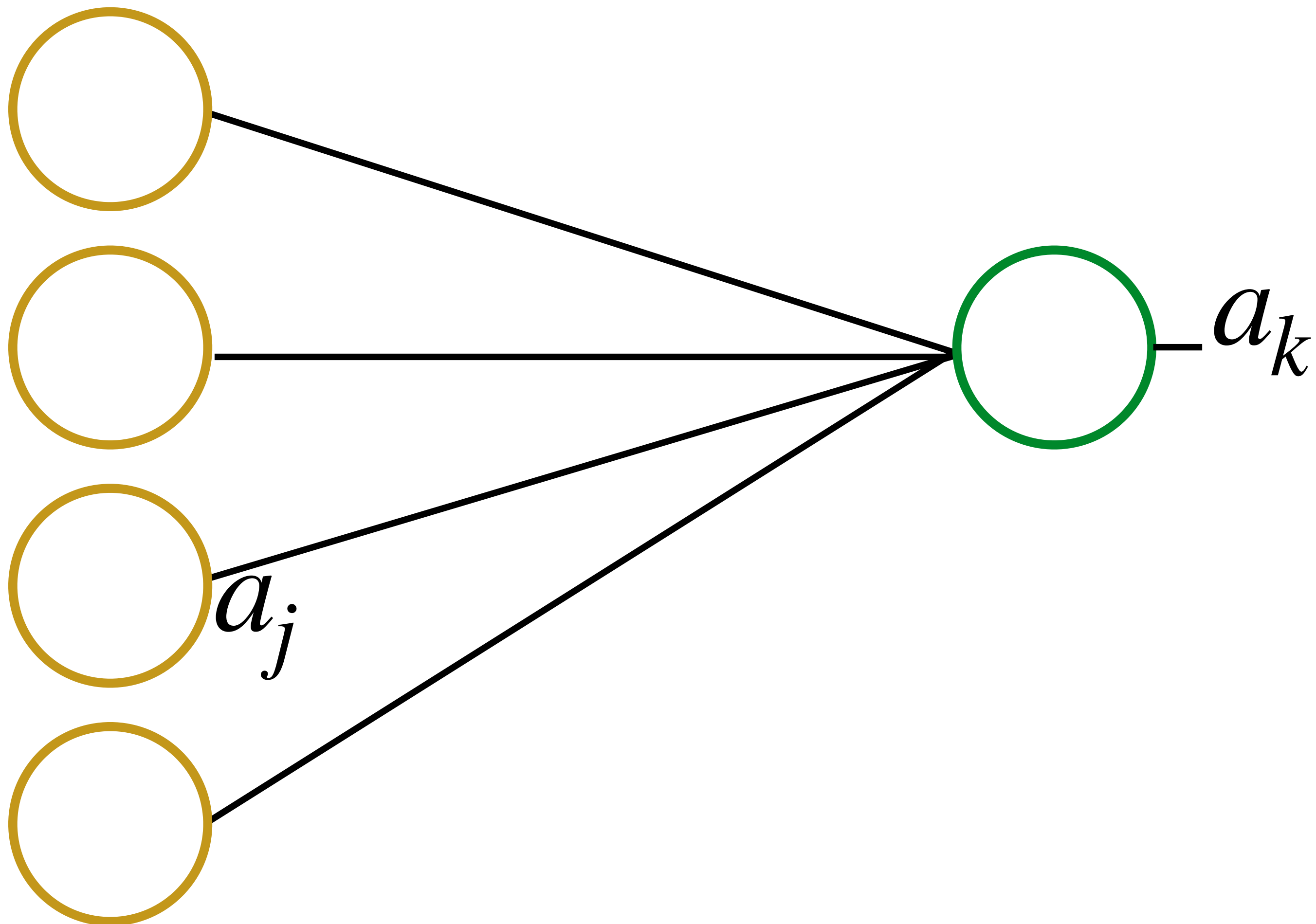
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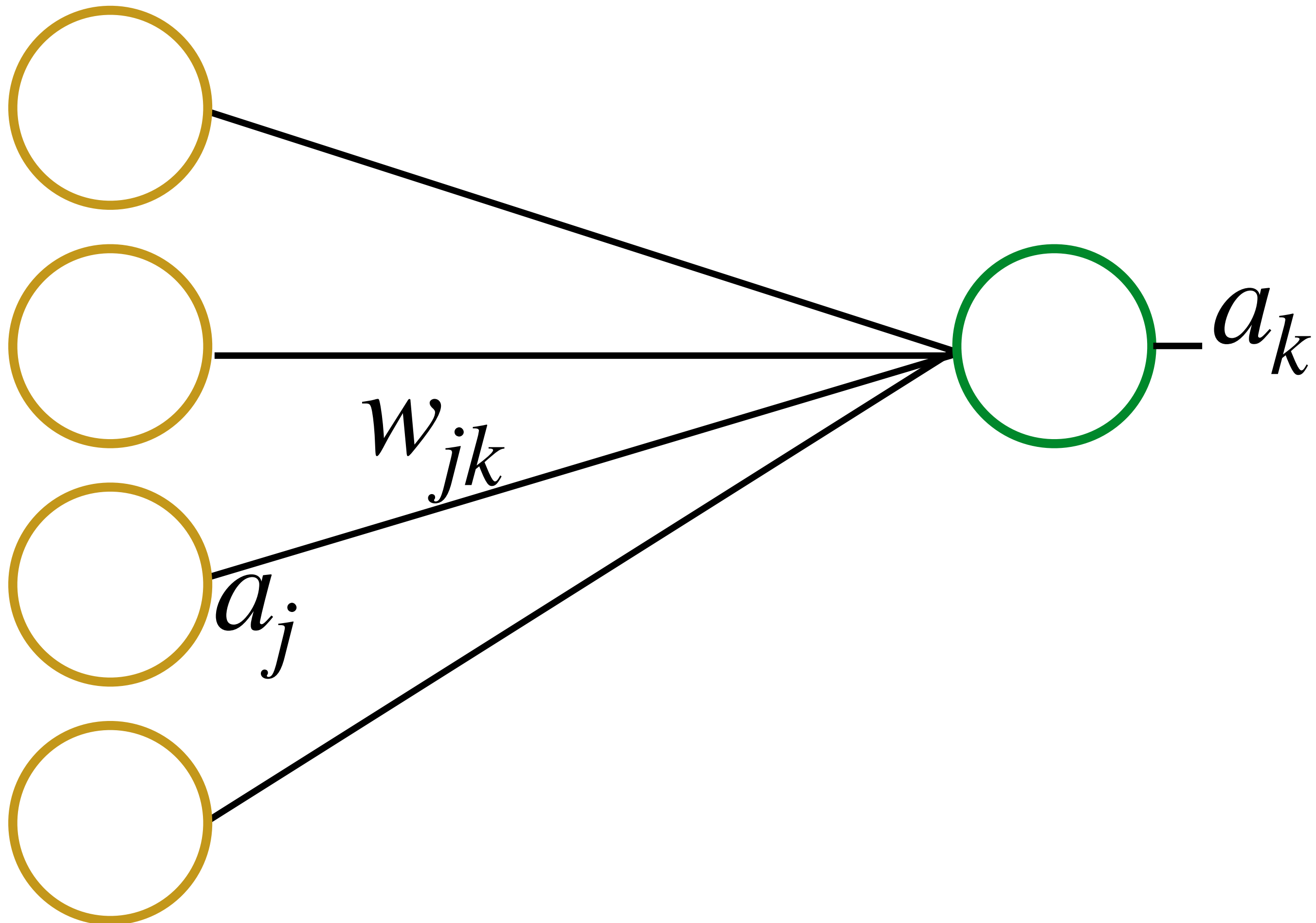
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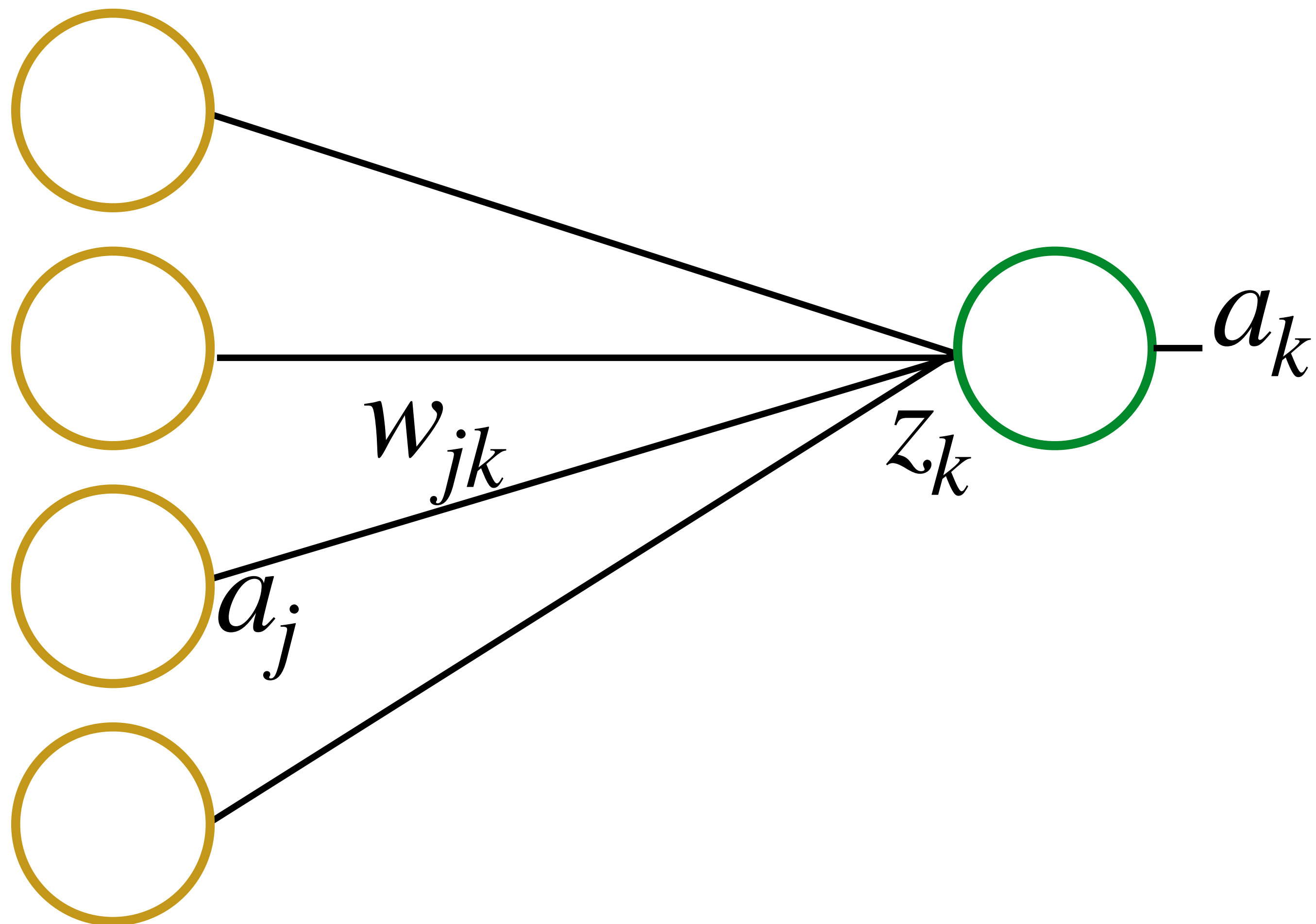
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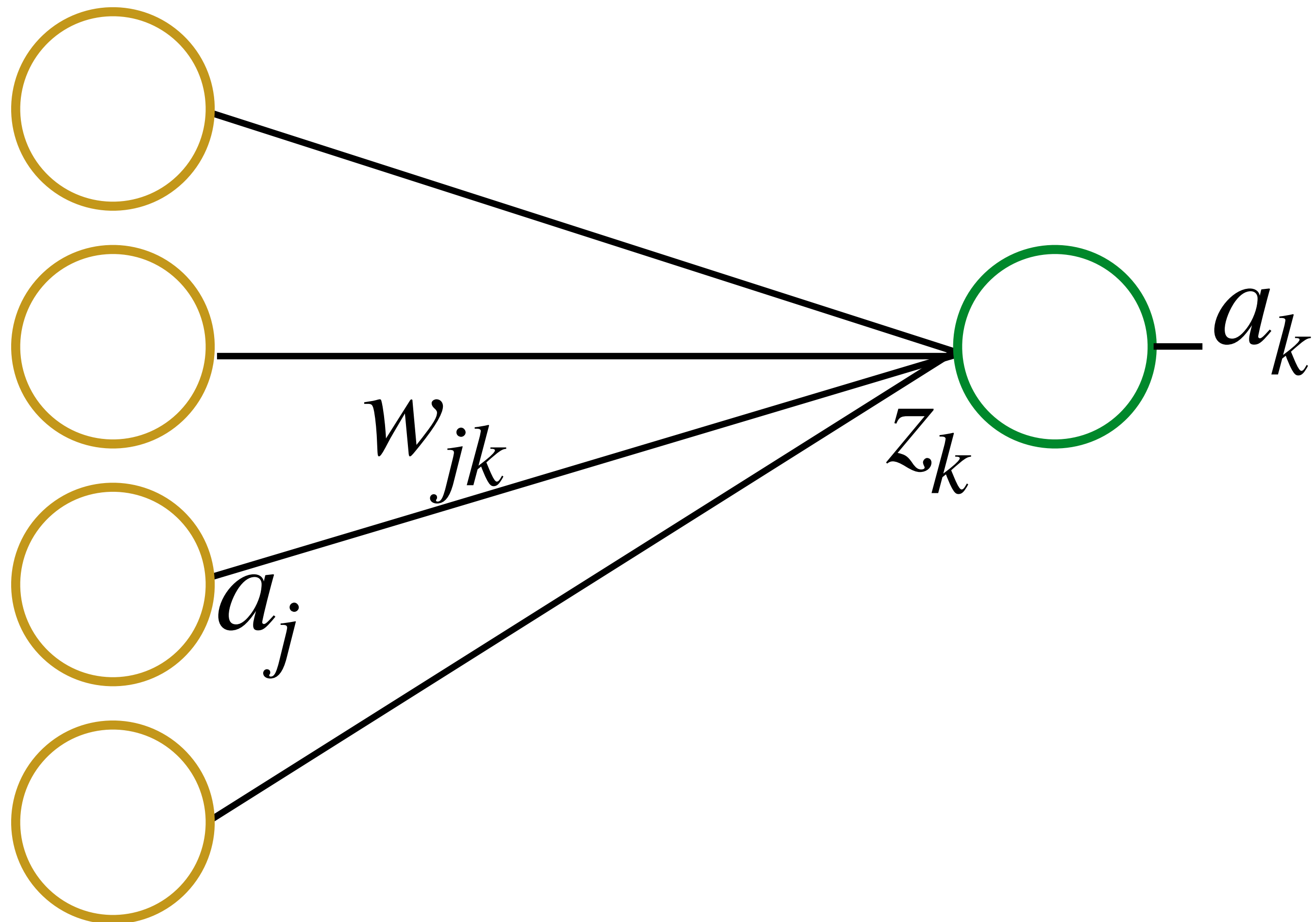
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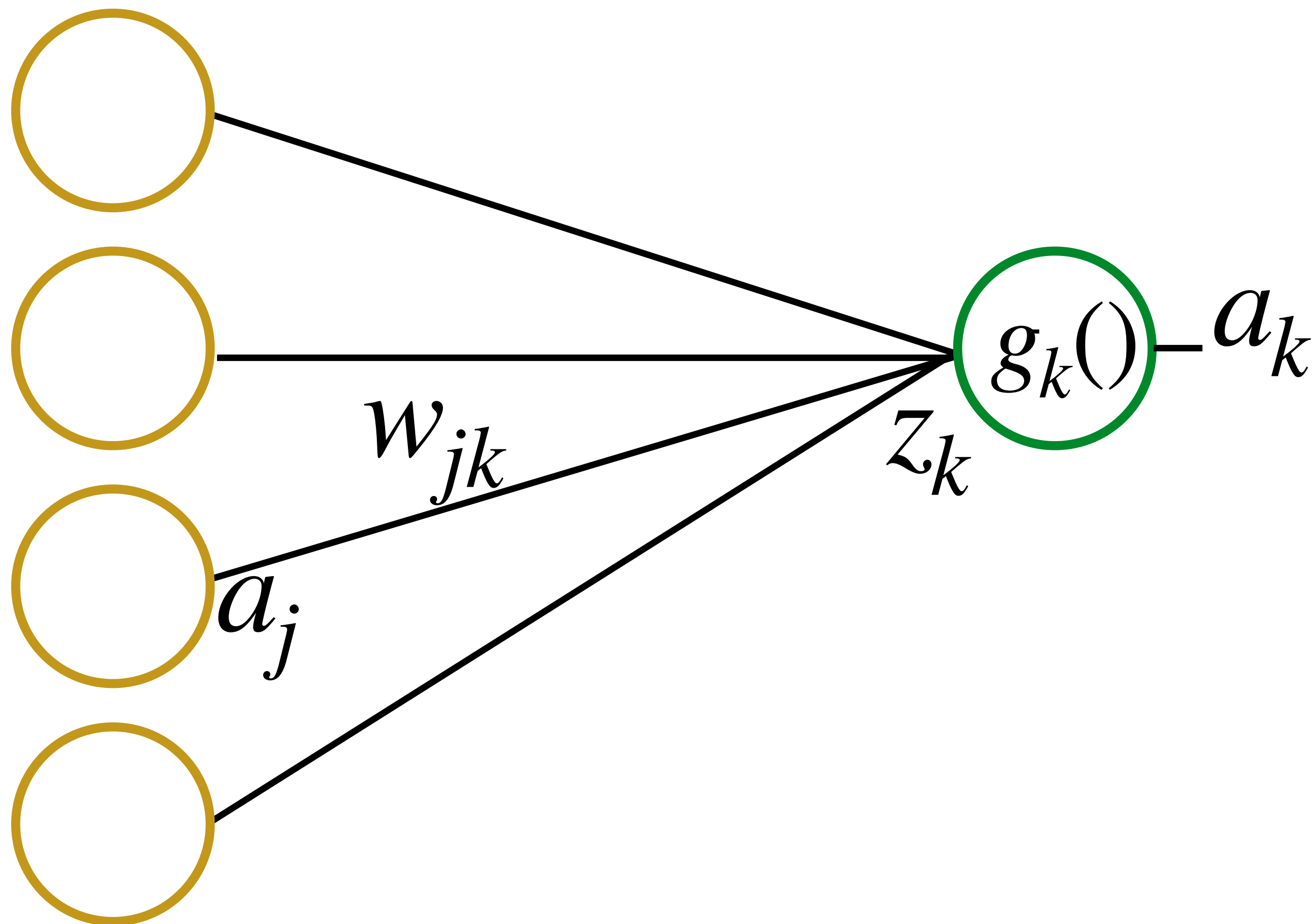


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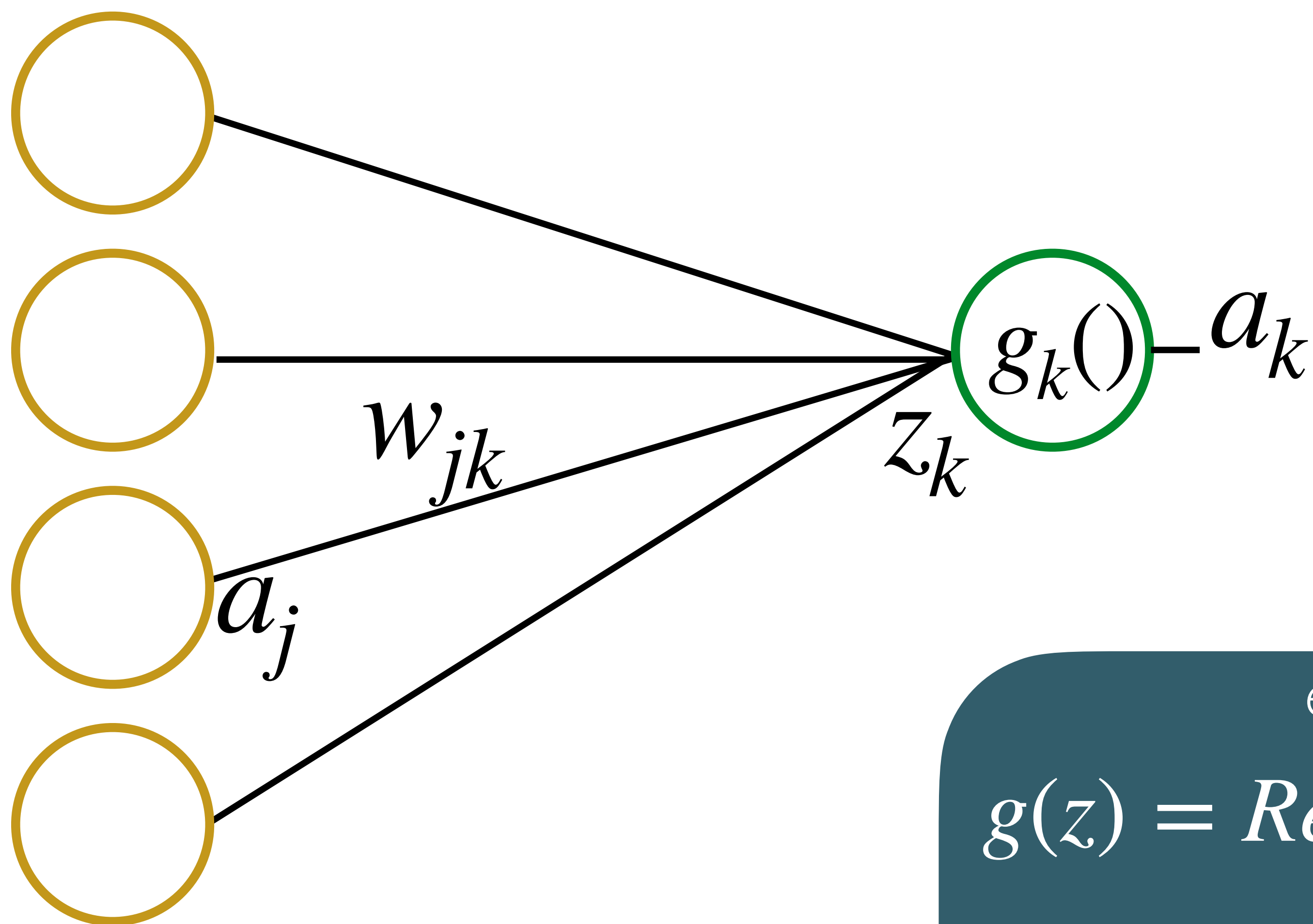
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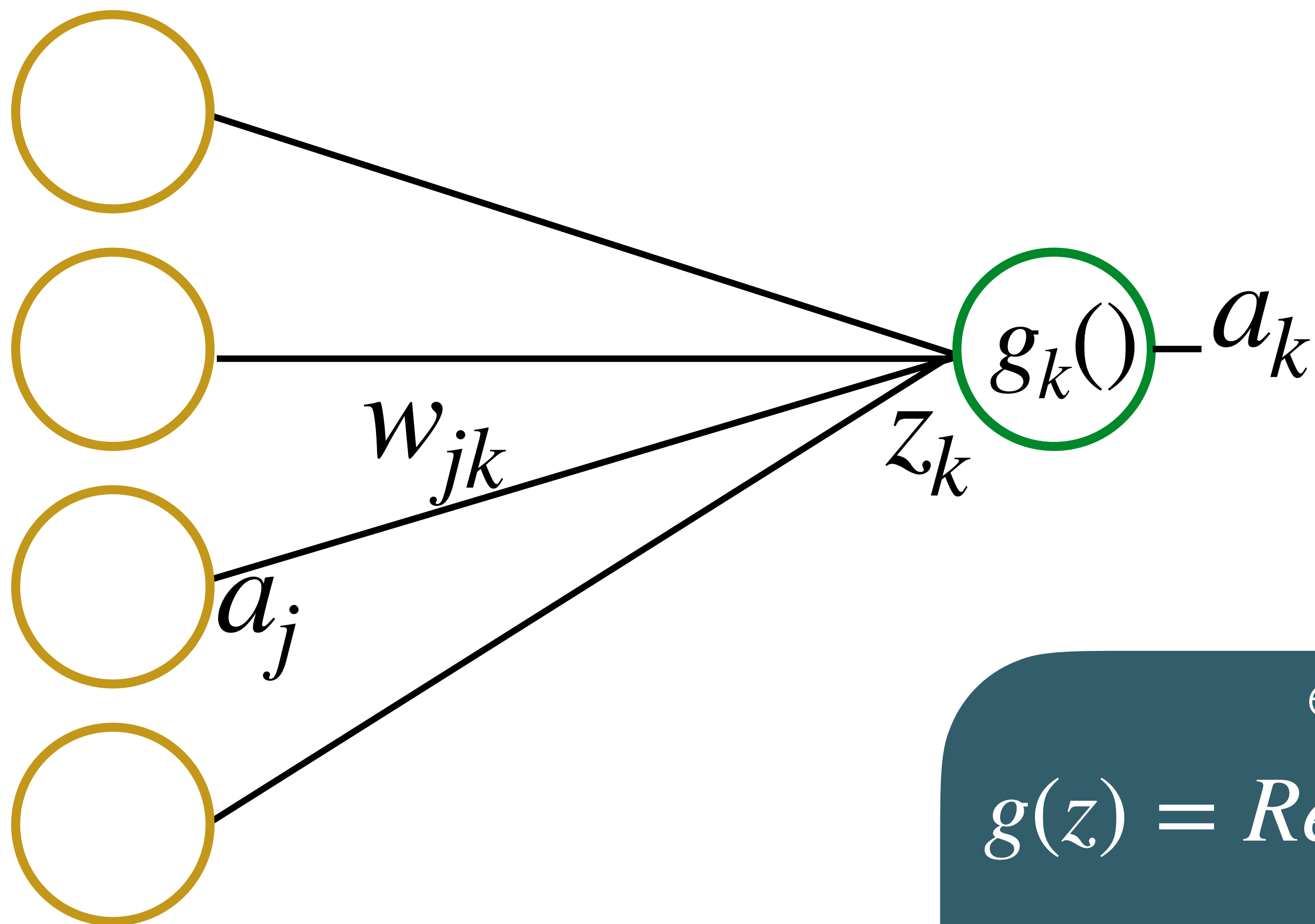
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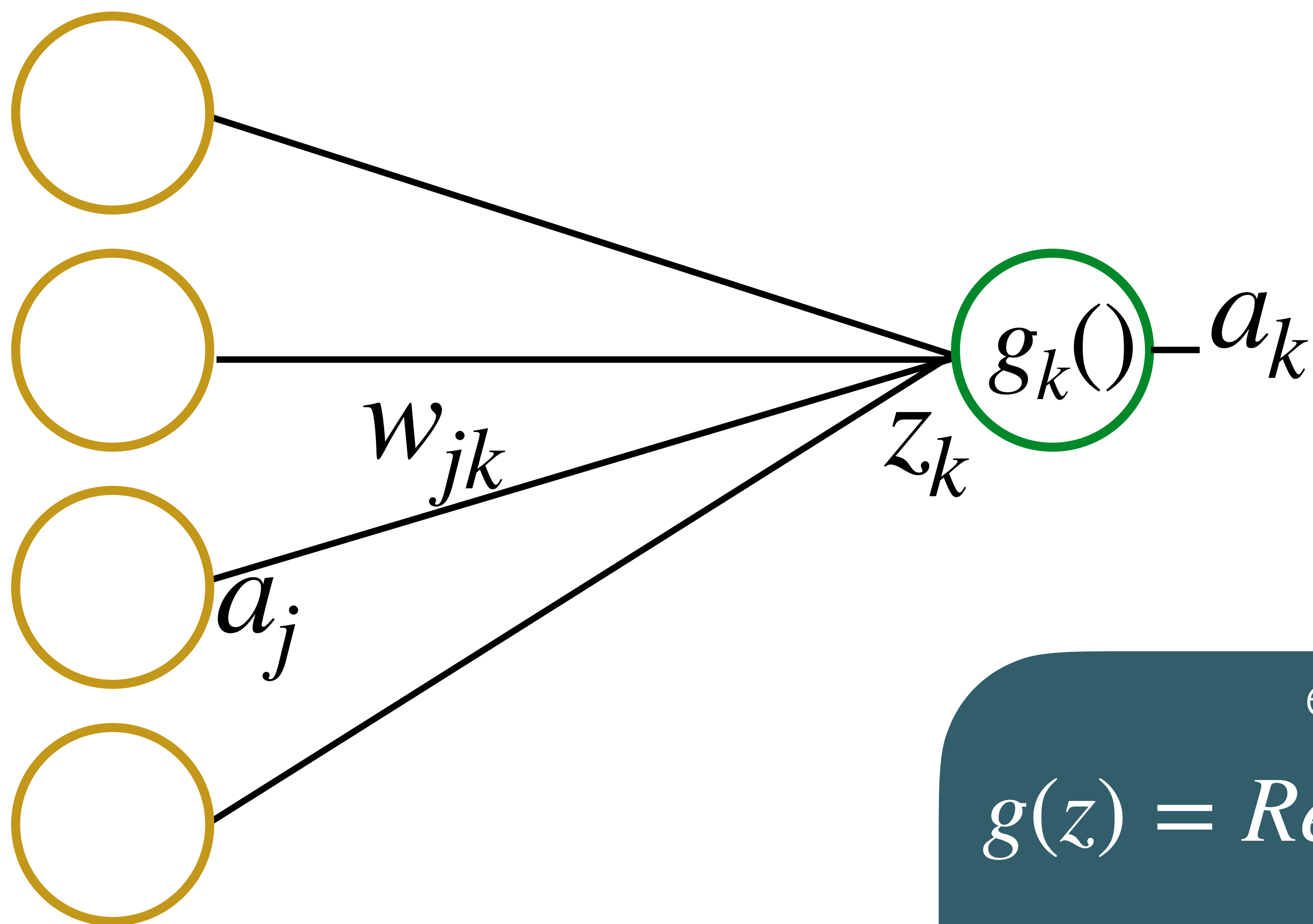
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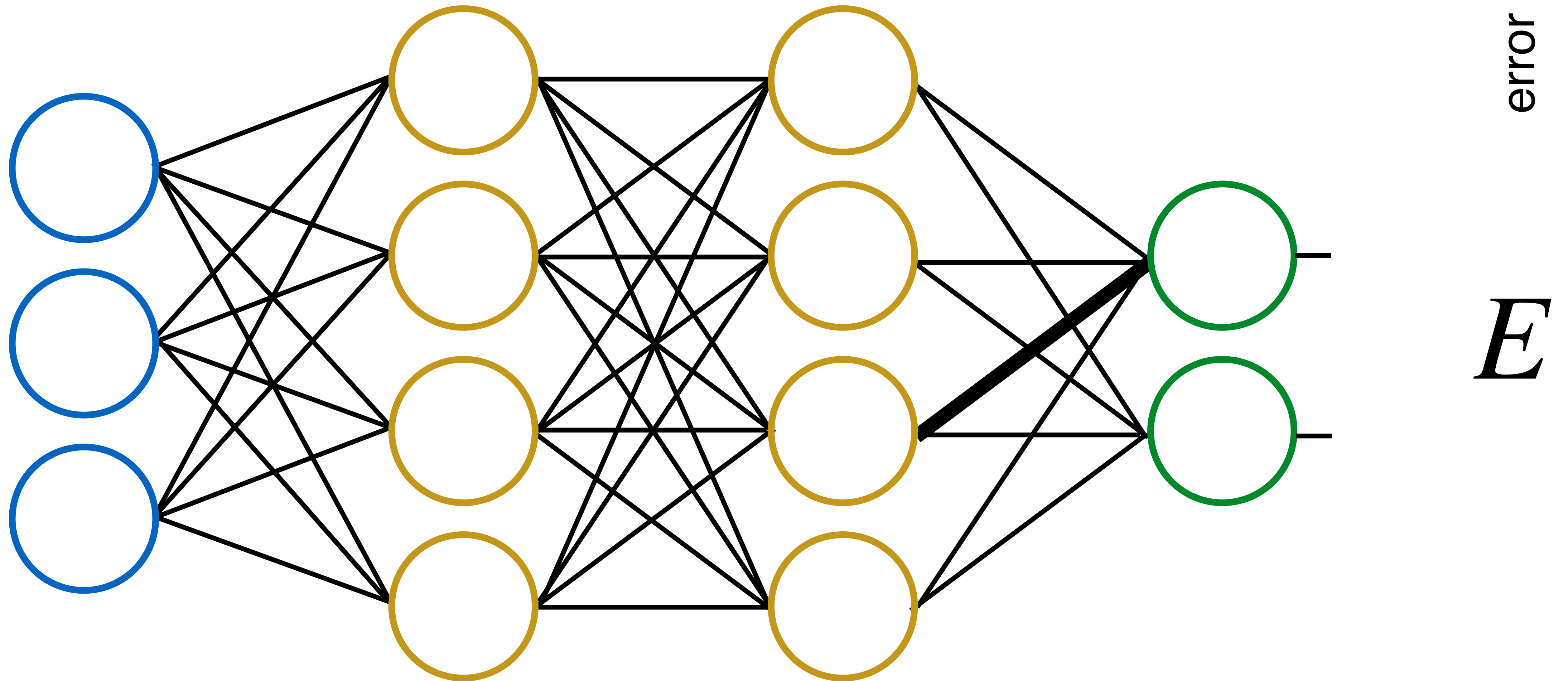
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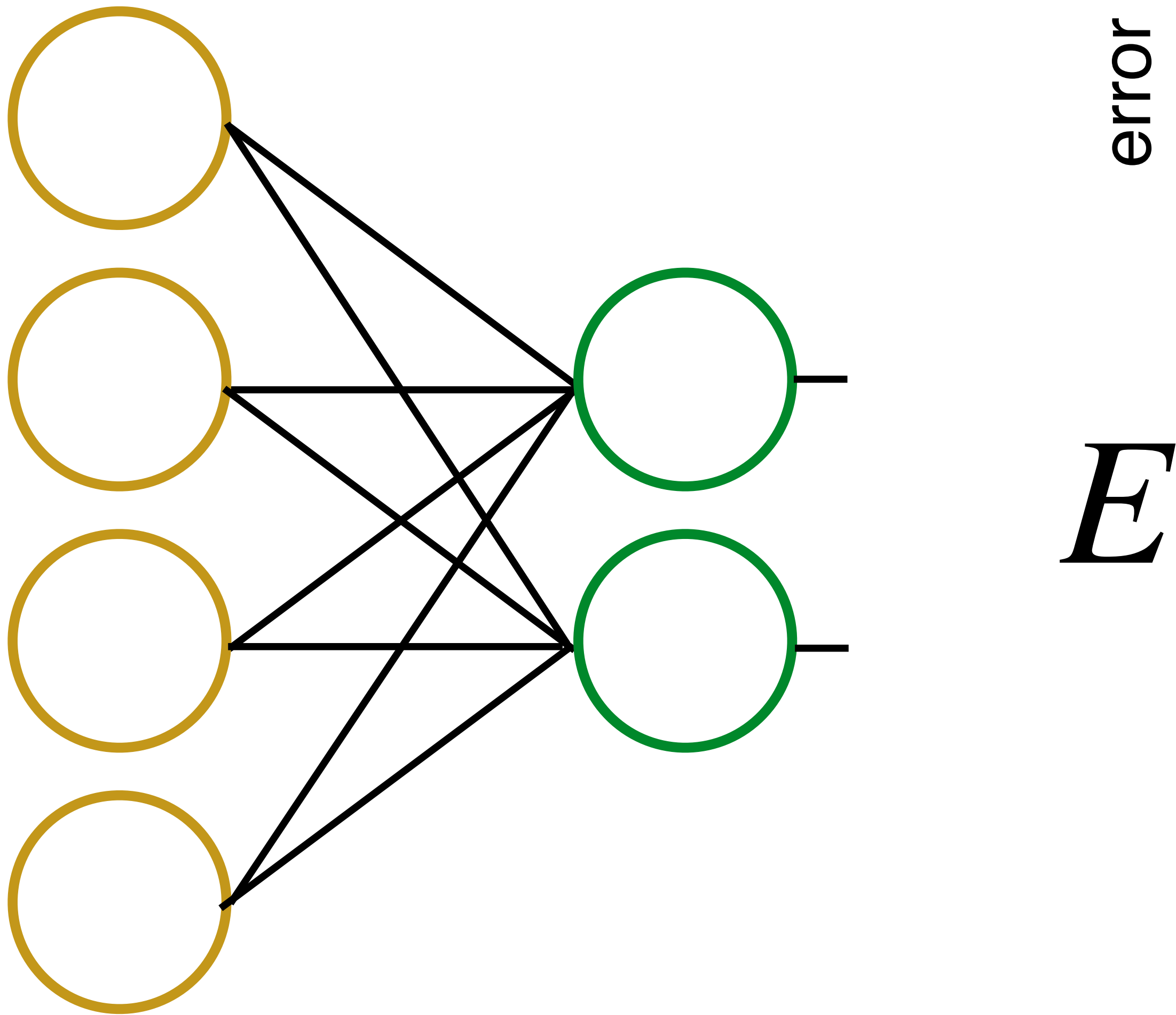
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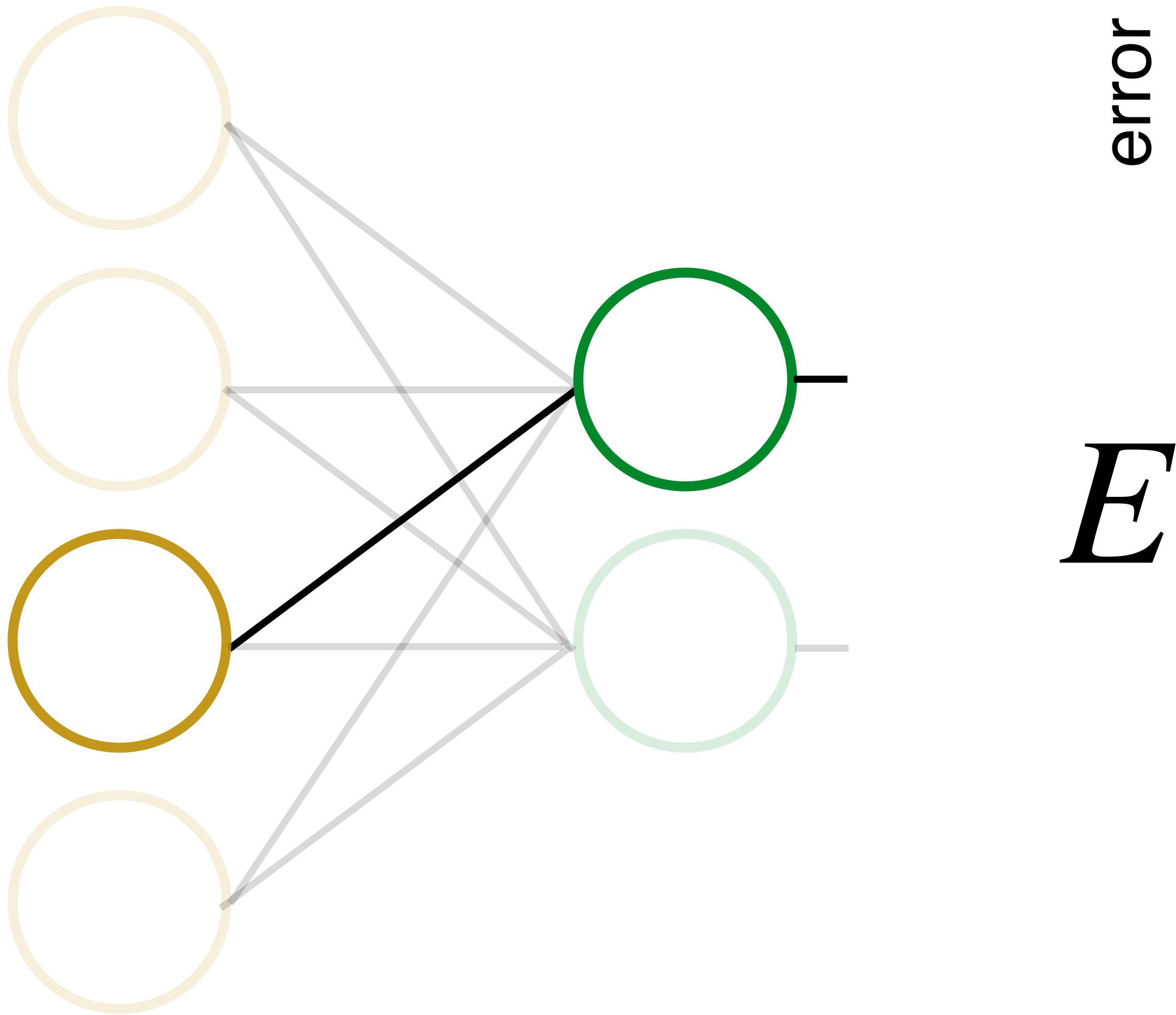
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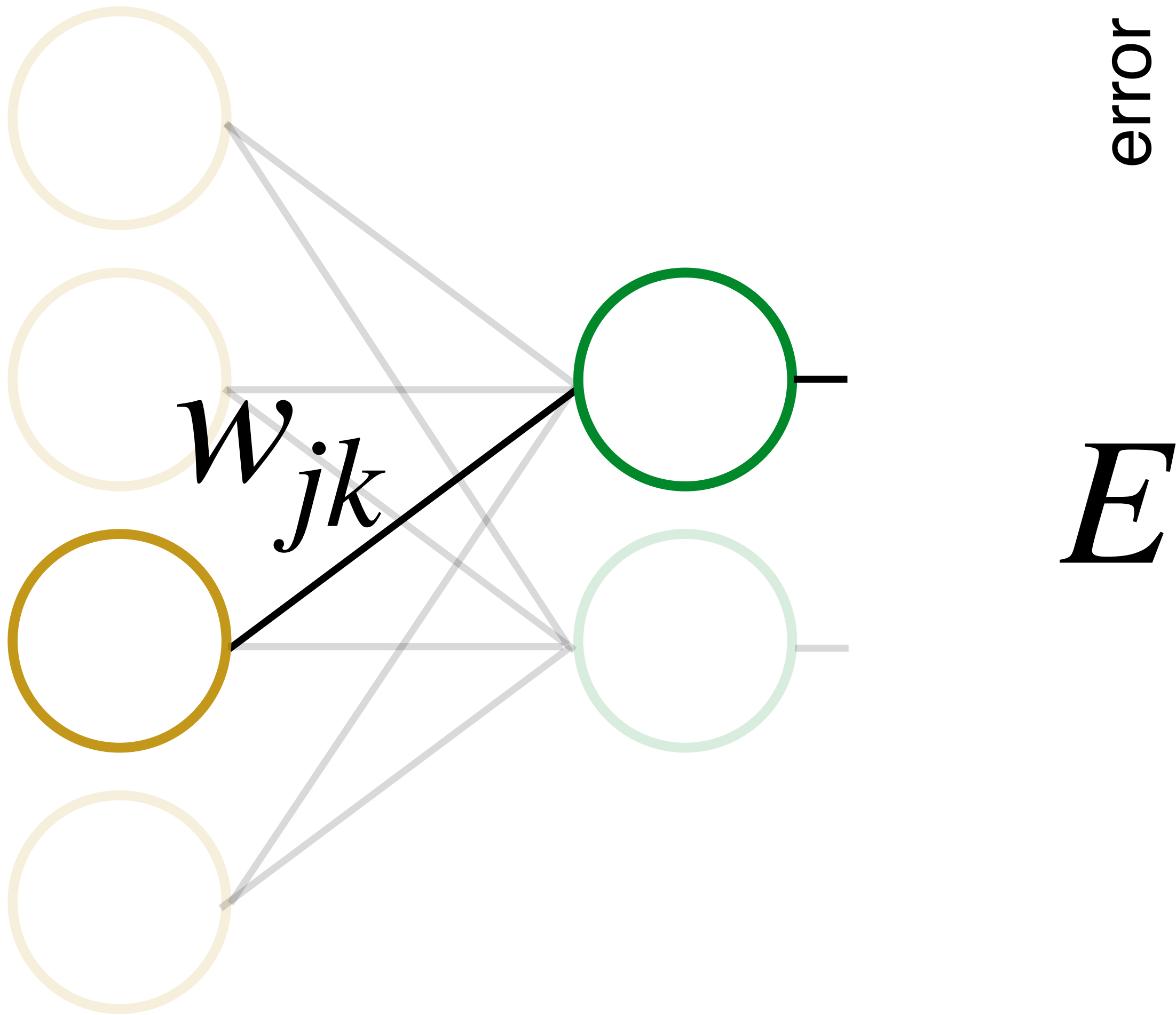
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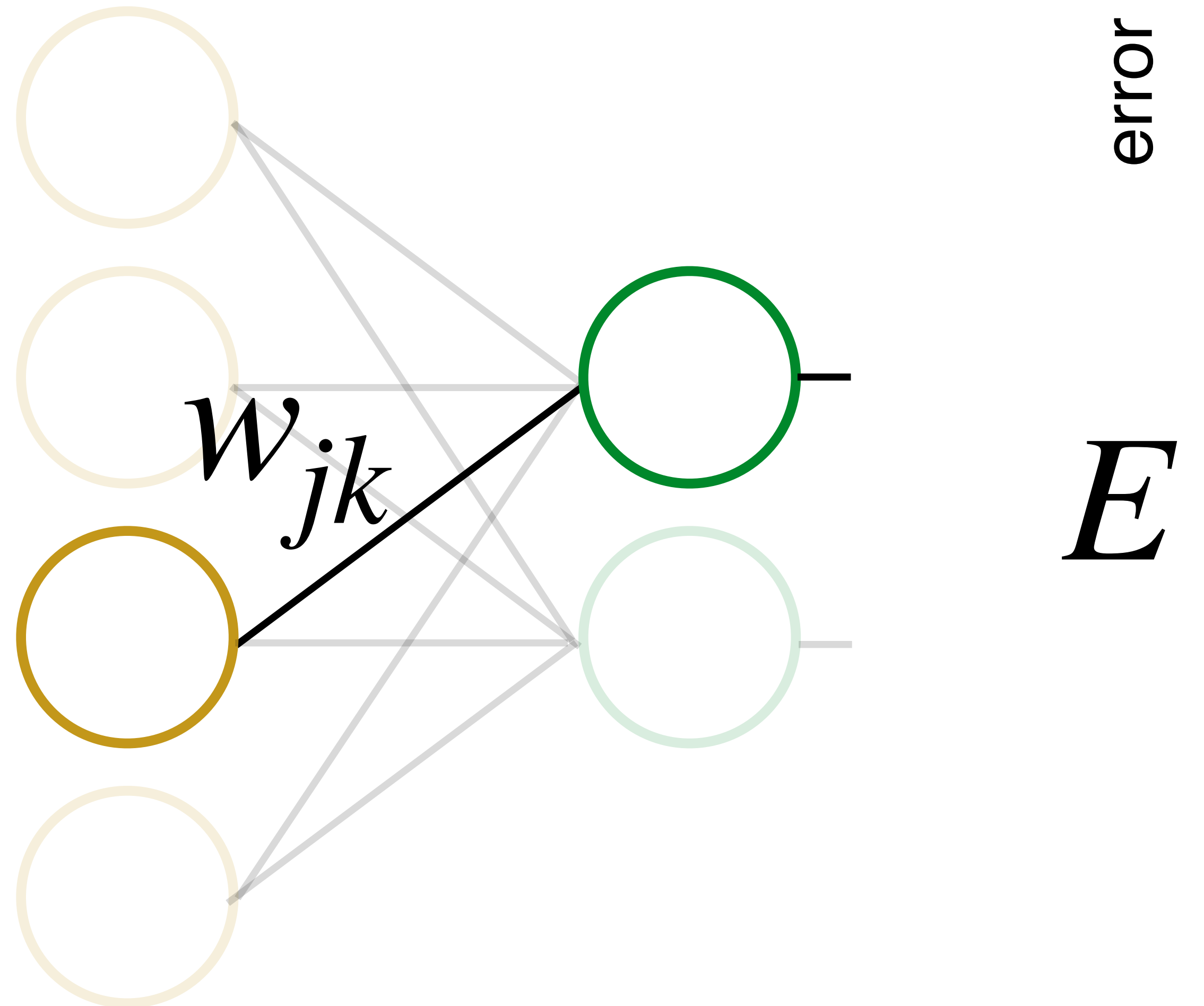


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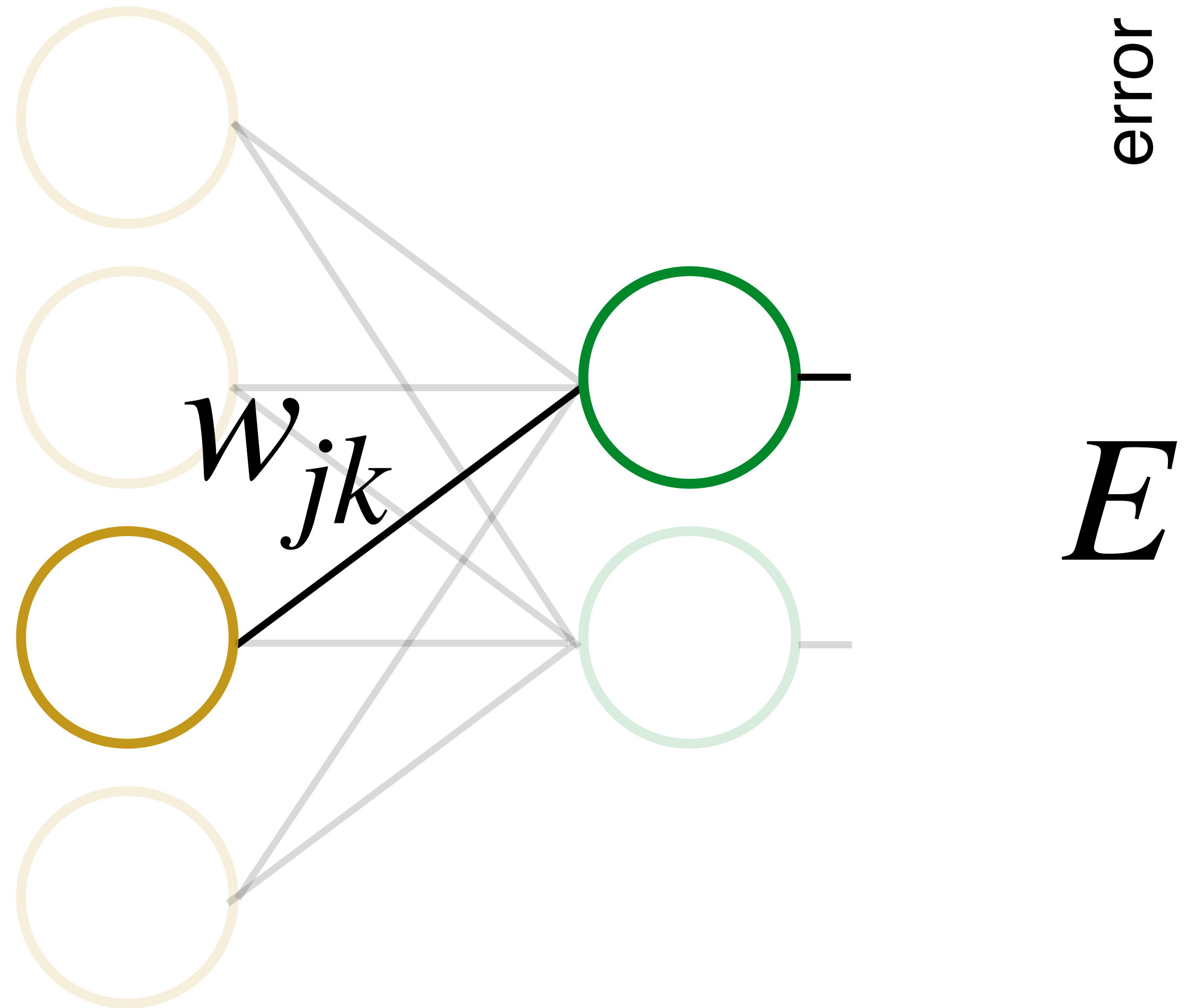
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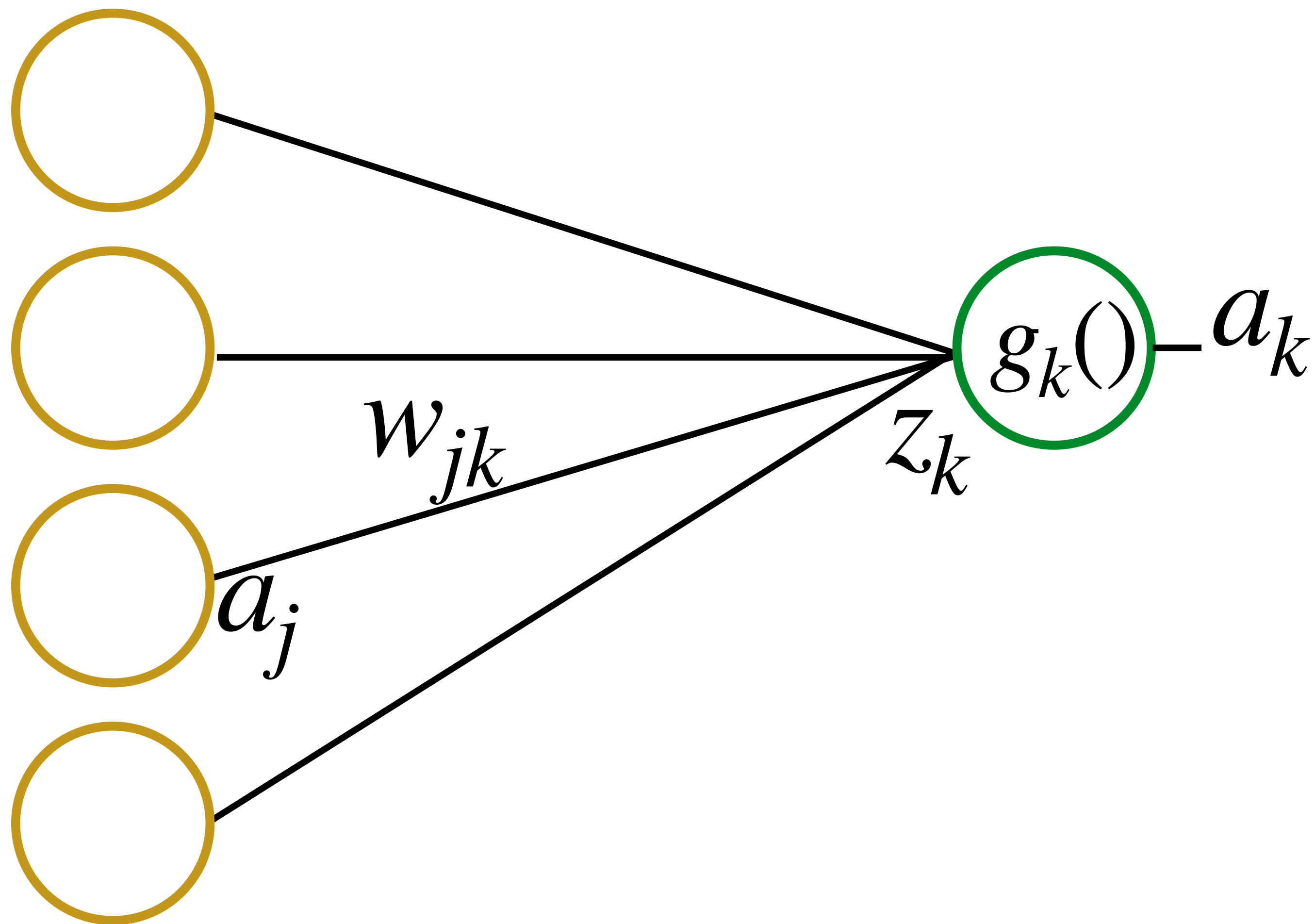
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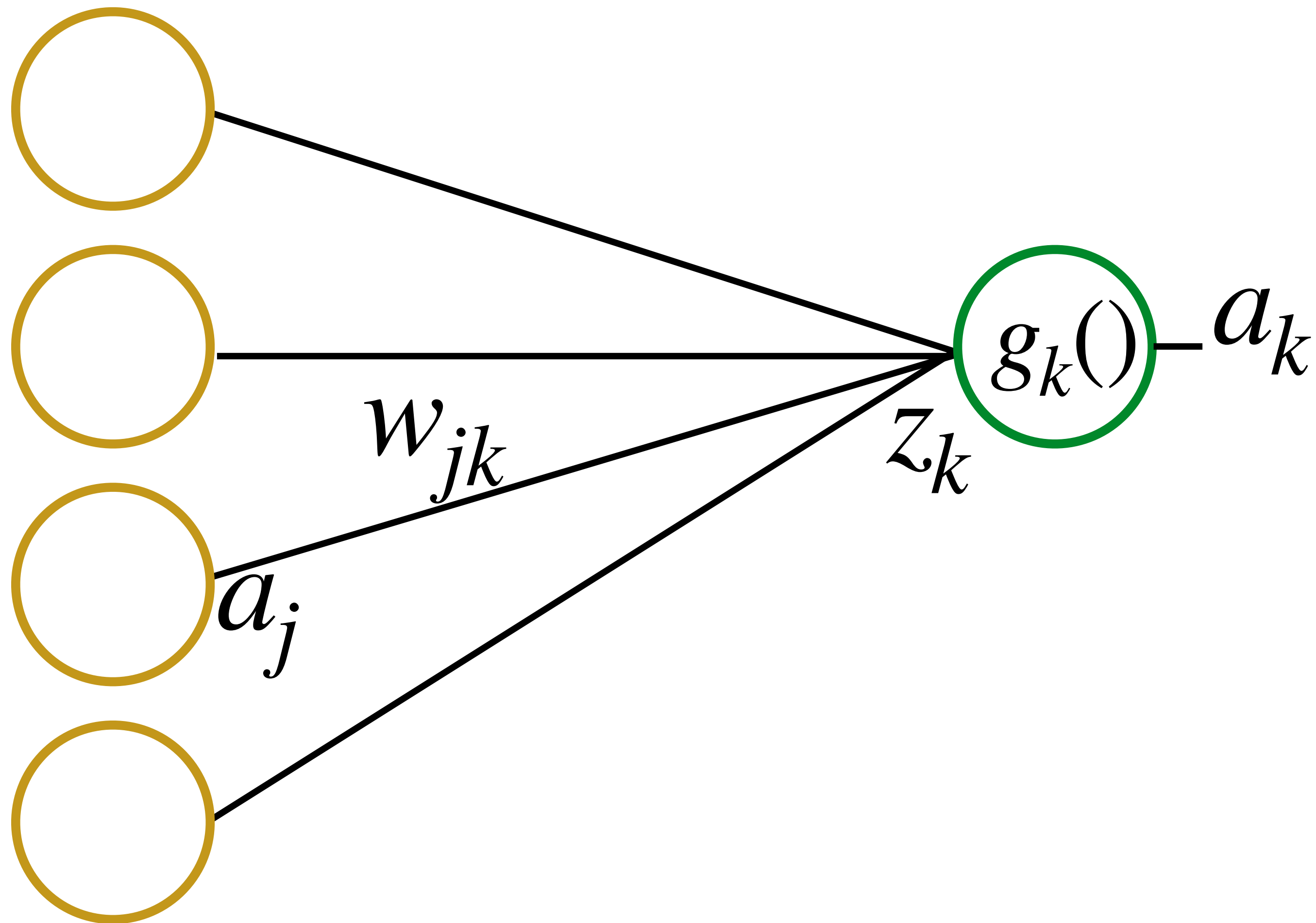
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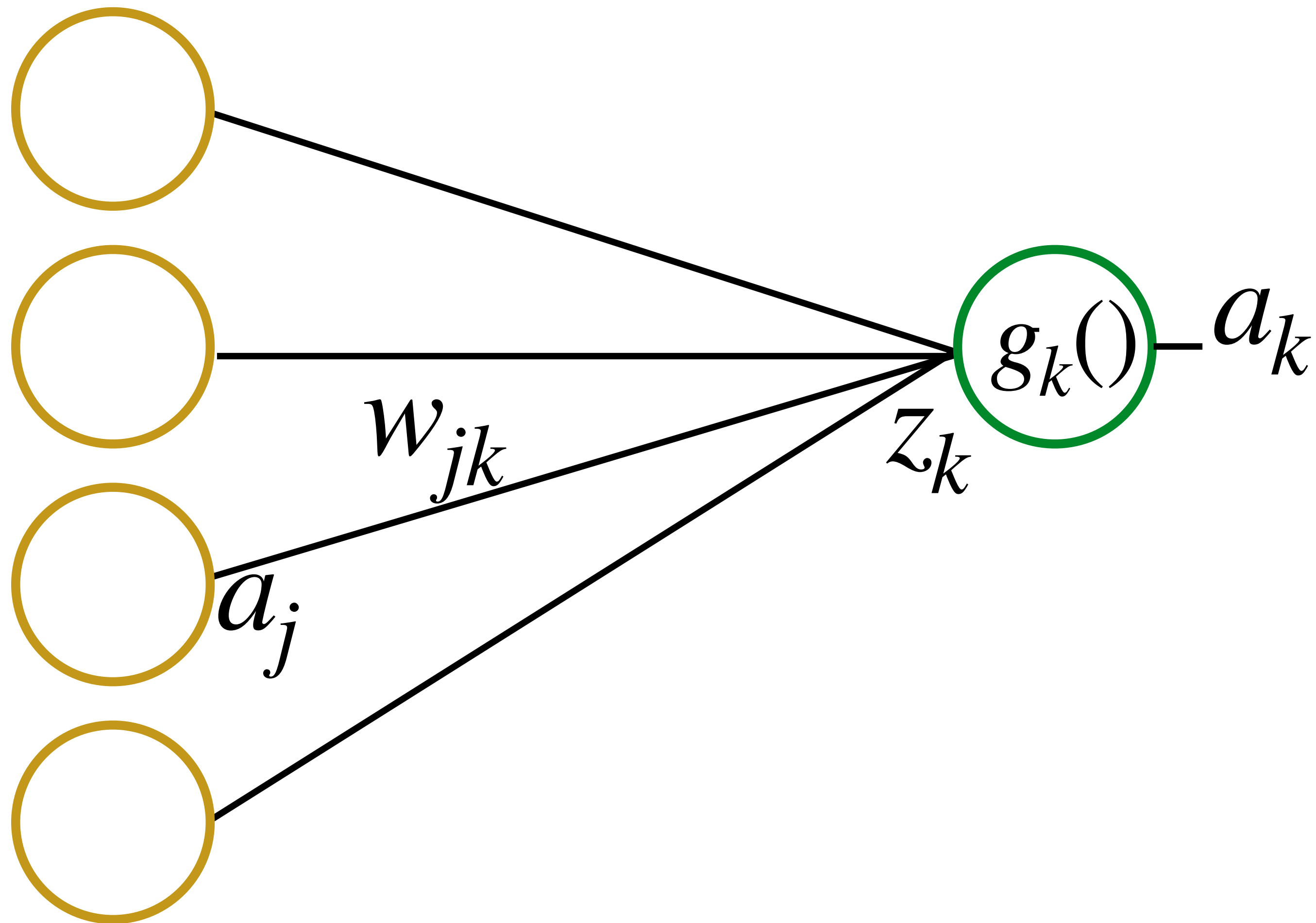


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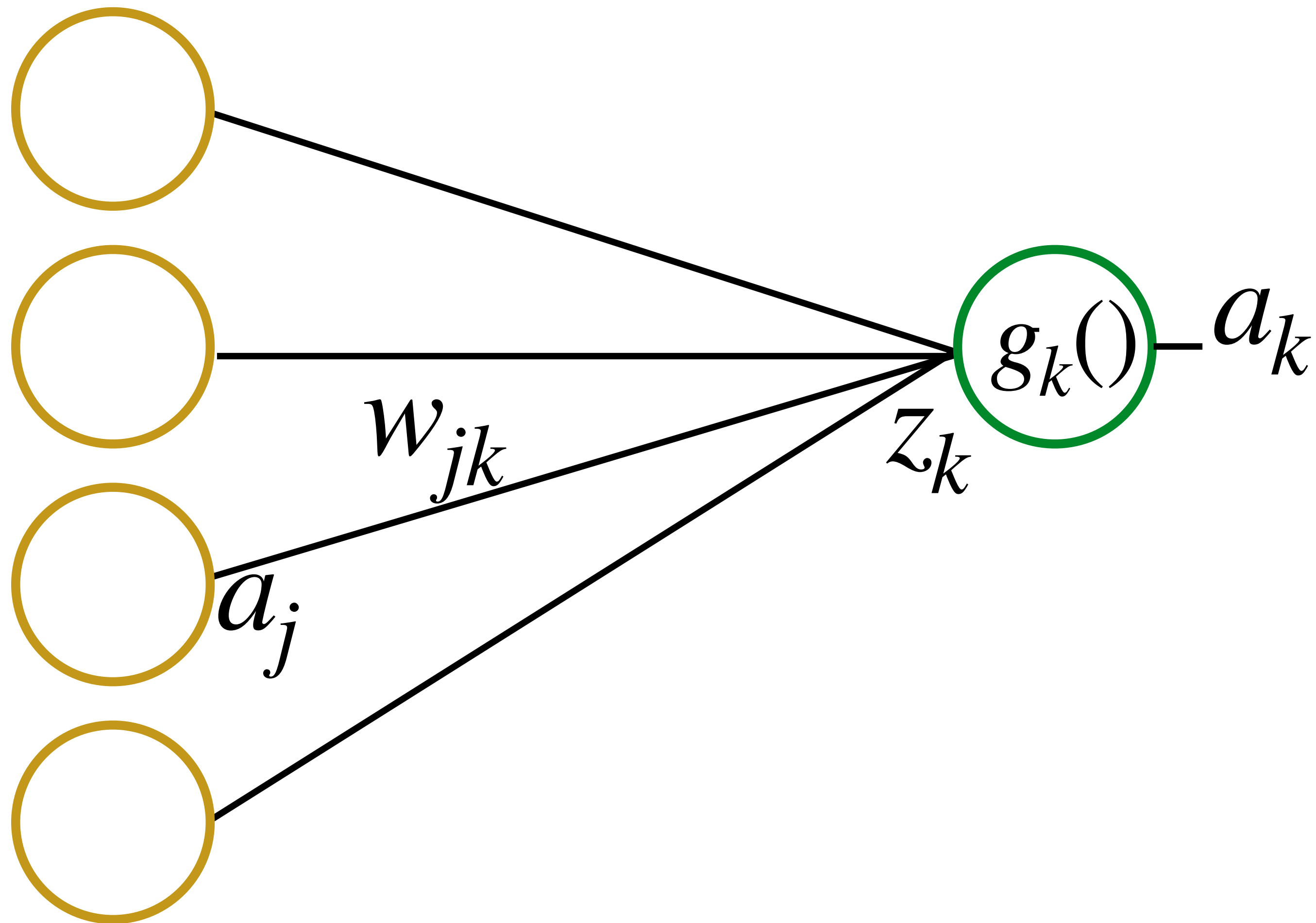
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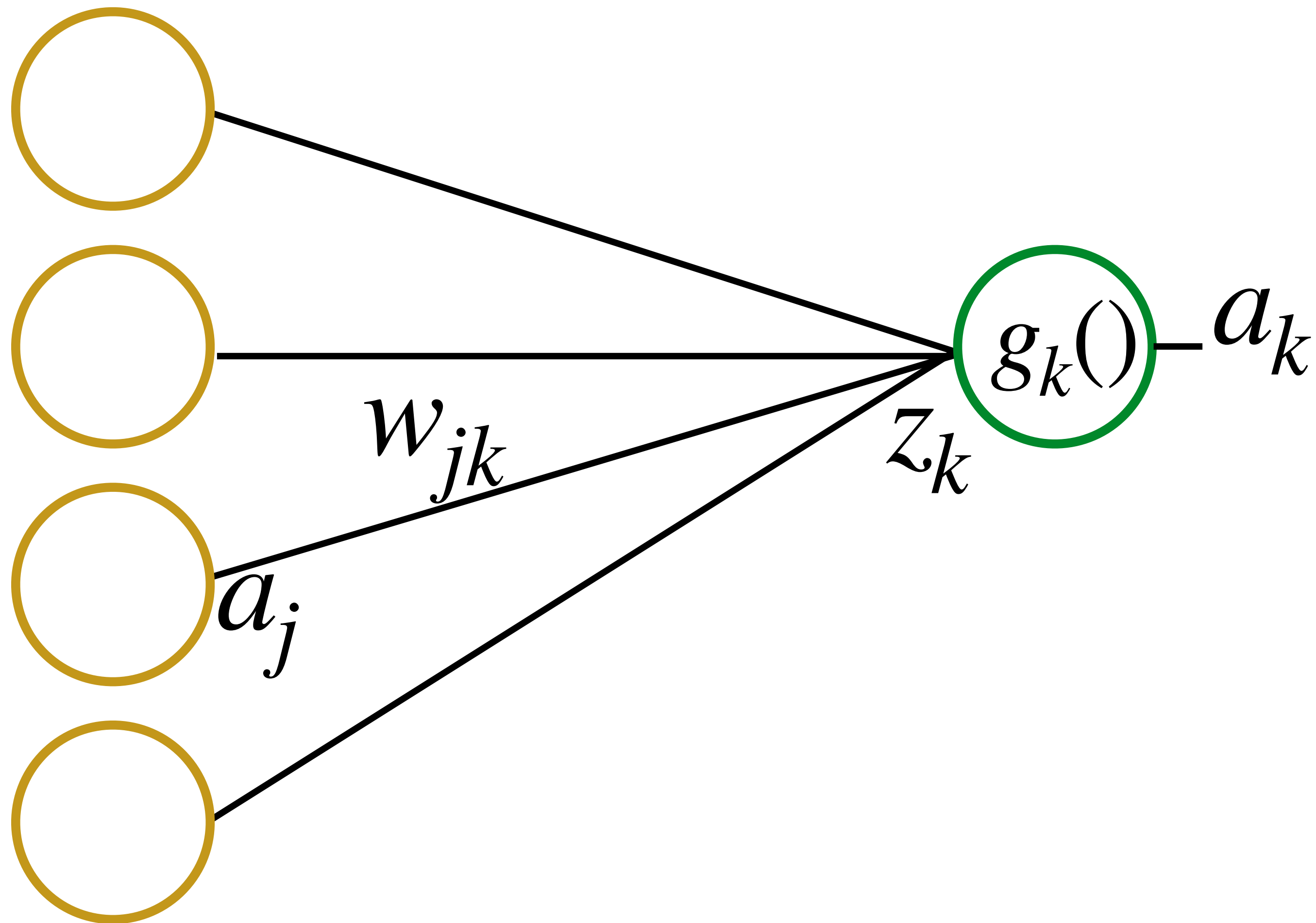
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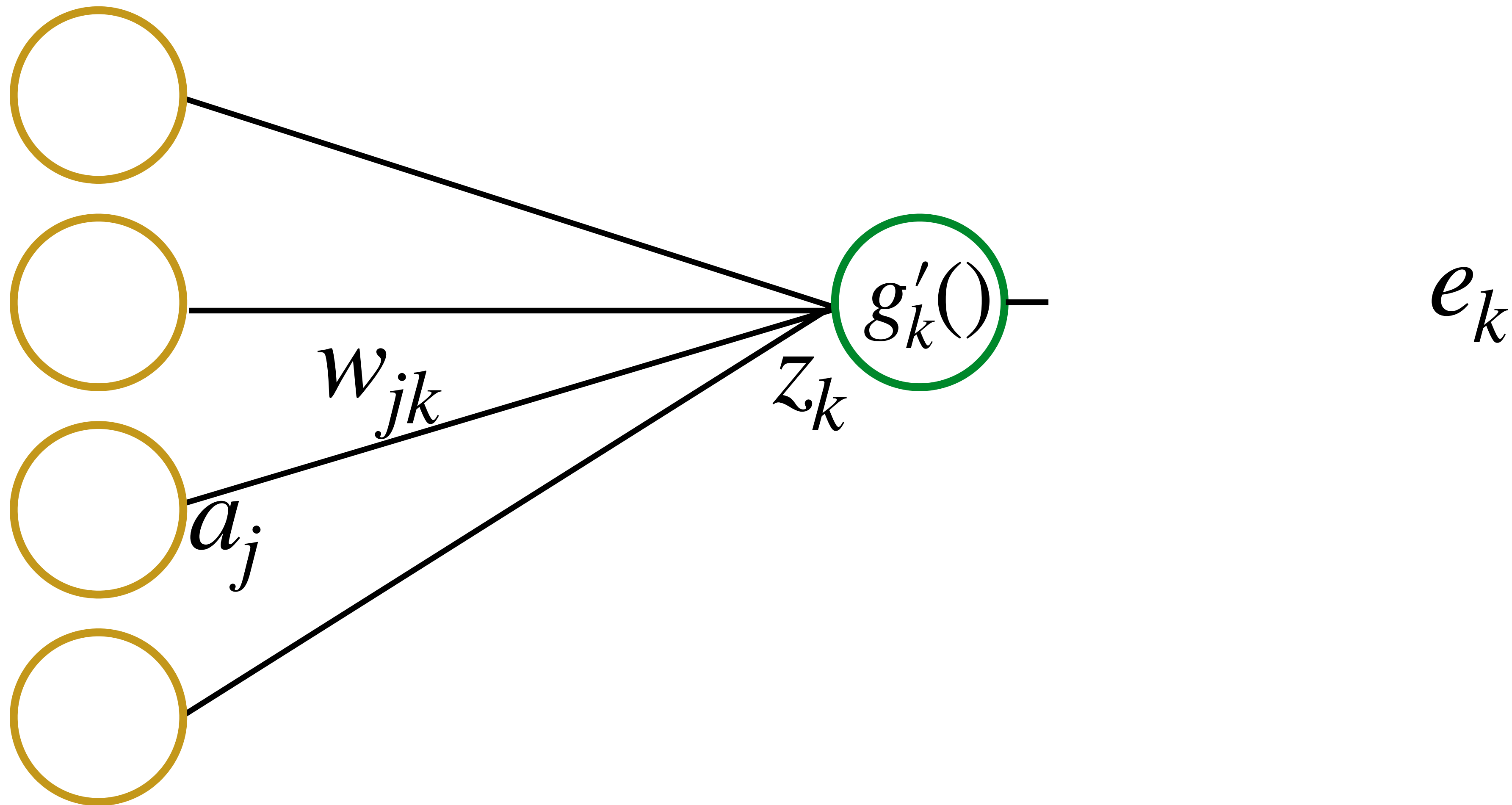
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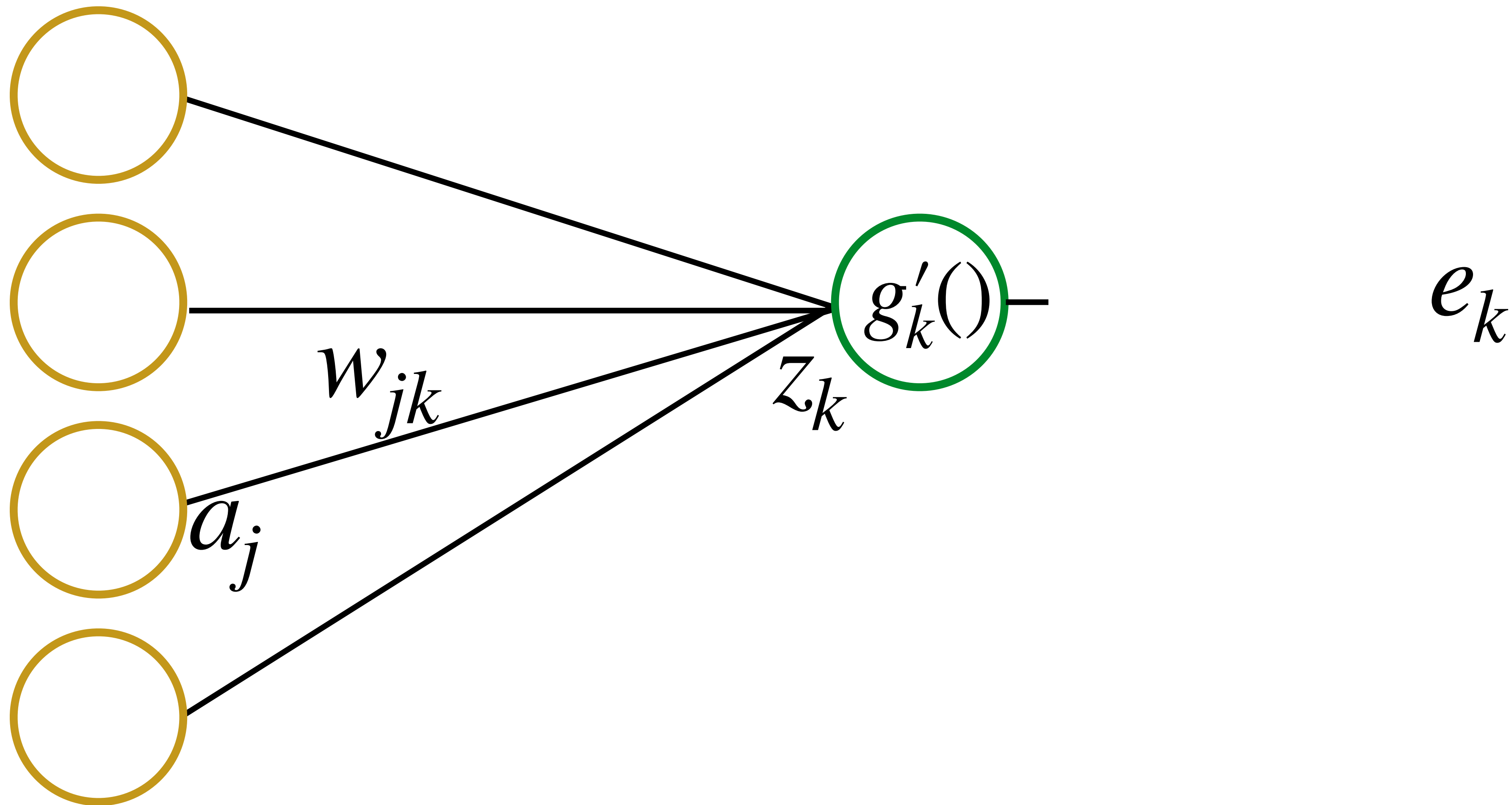
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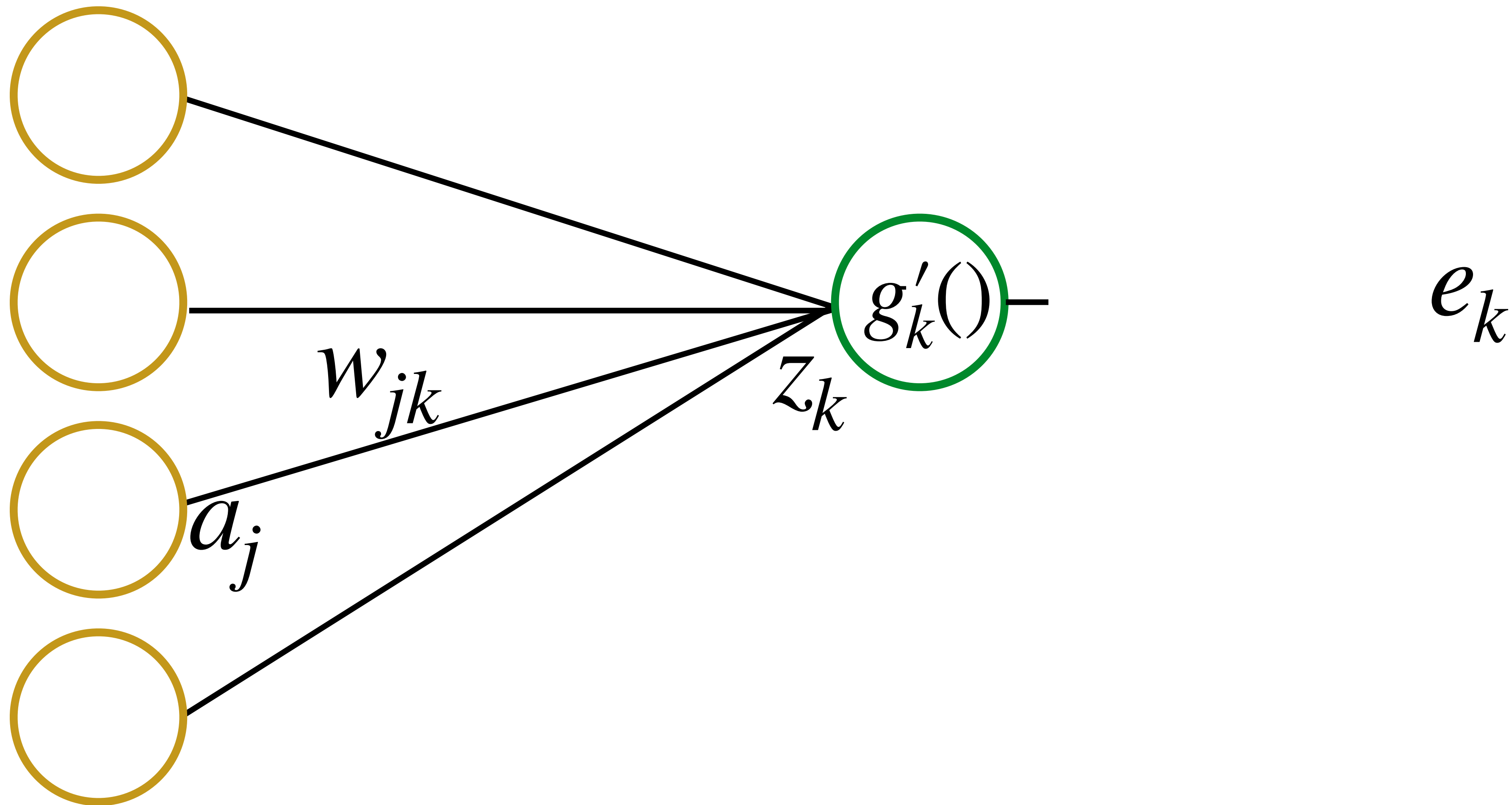
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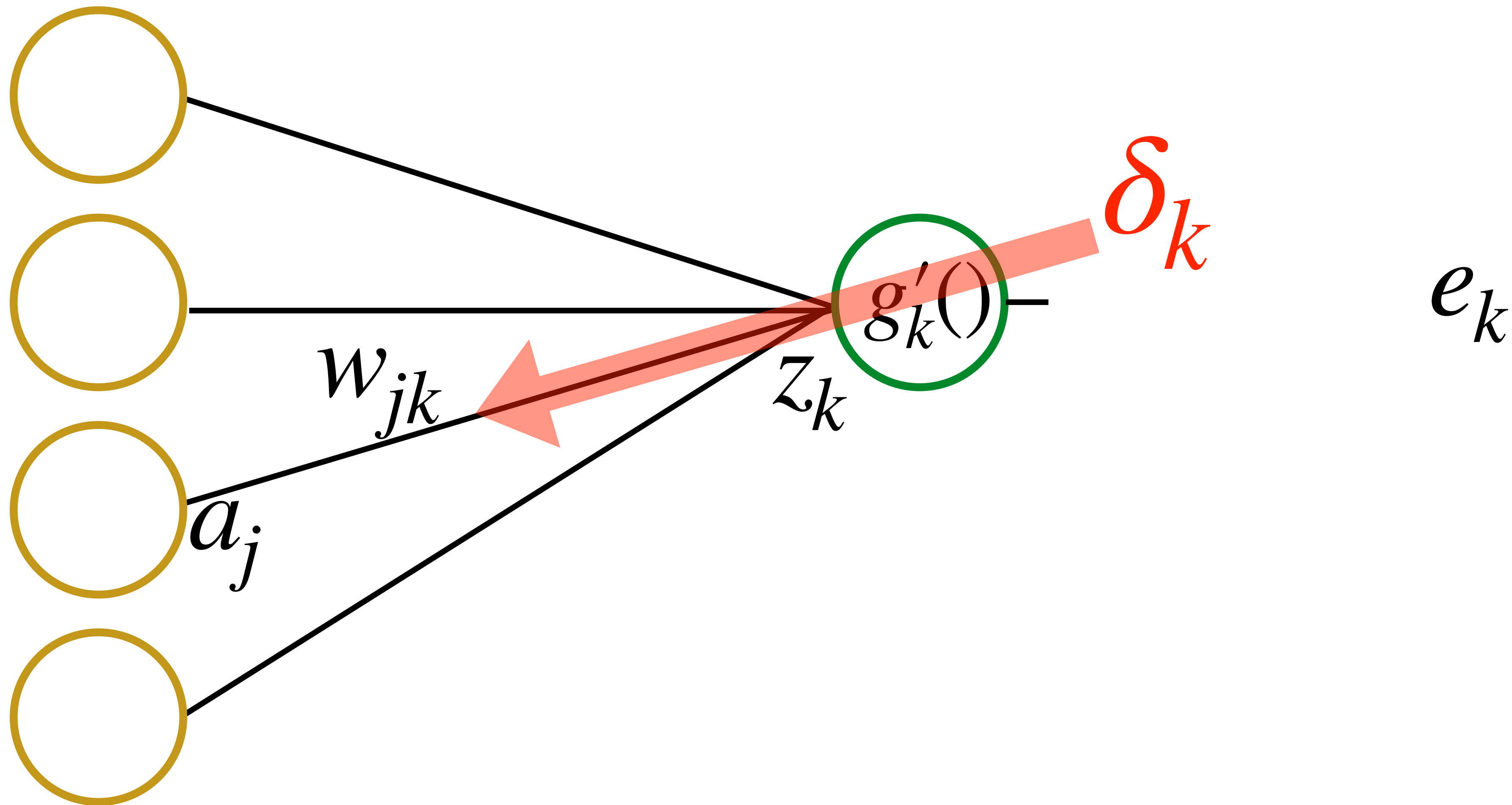
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