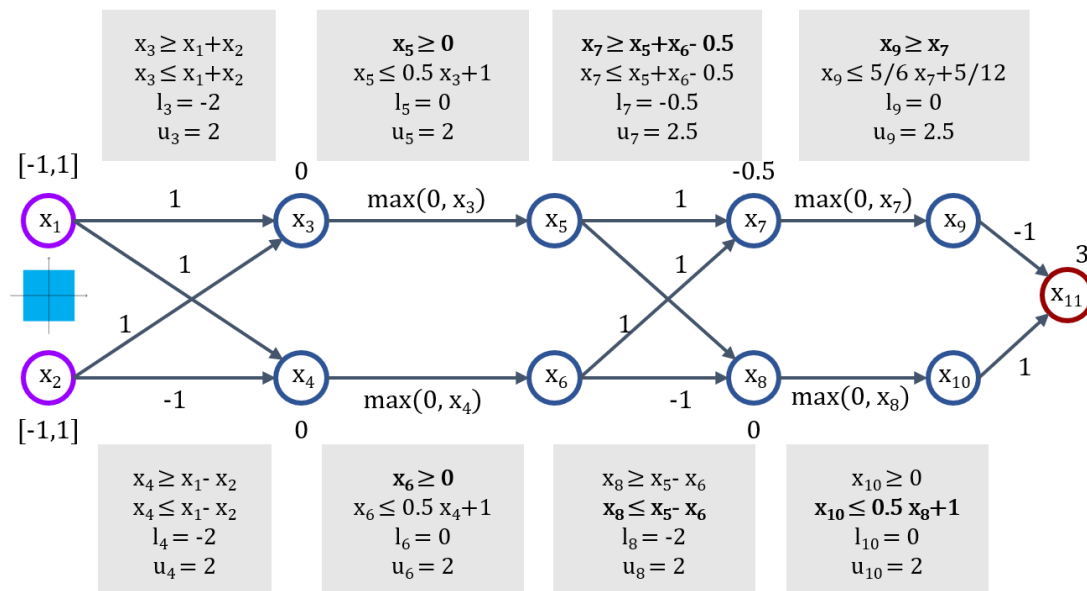


# Exercise 04

## DeepPoly Branch and Bound Certification

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**Problem 1** (DeepPoly Branch and Bound). Consider the neural network below, taken from this week's lecture slides. We show the result of analysing the network using the DeepPoly algorithm on the  $\ell_\infty$  region  $\left\| \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_\infty \leq 1$  i.e.  $\ell_\infty$  ball around  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  with size 1.



- (a) Recall from the lecture, in the original DeepPoly analysis we computed the upper bound of  $x_{11}$  to be 4.5. Apply branching to the ReLU node at  $x_8$ . What upper bound for  $x_{11}$  do you obtain if you apply symbolic analysis on  $\beta$  (where  $\beta$  is the KKT variable introduced by the split at  $x_8$ , as in the lecture)? Is the resulting bound more or less precise than the original bound?

- (b) The analysis you performed in (a) was done for the input region represented by an  $\ell_\infty$  ball of size 1 around  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Without changing the intermediate neuron lower and upper bounds, use the Holder inequality to similarly compute an upper bound on  $x_{11}$  for two additional input regions — an  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$  balls of size 1 around  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Is the resulting upper bound on  $x_{11}$  sound? How can you make it more precise?
- (c) In (a) and (b), we applied symbolic analysis to obtain the upper bound on  $x_{11}$ . This is often infeasible in practice. Next, we find the value of  $\beta$  that produces the best upper bound for  $x_{11}$  using numerical optimization for the original  $\ell_\infty$  input region. Assume,  $\beta$  is initialized to 1.2 (for both branches). Perform one gradient step on  $\beta$  with step size 0.3 on both branches. What upper bound do you obtain for  $x_{11}$ ? Is the produced upper bound sound? How does it compare to the original DeepPoly bound? How does it compare to the bound obtained in (a)?