



# Welcome to the **Co**Grammar Revision: Neural Networks

The session will start shortly...

Questions? Drop them in the chat. We'll have dedicated moderators answering questions.



## Data Science Session Housekeeping

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- The use of disrespectful language is prohibited in the questions, this is a supportive, learning environment for all - please engage accordingly.  
**(Fundamental British Values: Mutual Respect and Tolerance)**
- No question is daft or silly - **ask them!**
- There are **Q&A sessions** midway and at the end of the session, should you wish to ask any follow-up questions. Moderators are going to be answering questions as the session progresses as well.
- If you have any questions outside of this lecture, or that are not answered during this lecture, please do submit these for upcoming Academic Sessions. You can submit these questions here: [Questions](#)

## Data Science Session Housekeeping cont.

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- We would love your **feedback** on lectures: [Feedback on Lectures](#)

# Skills Bootcamp

## 8-Week Progression Overview

### Fulfil 4 Criteria to Graduation

#### ✓ Criterion 1: Initial Requirements

Timeframe: First 2 Weeks

Guided Learning Hours (GLH):

Minimum of 15 hours

Task Completion: First four tasks

**Due Date: 24 March 2024**

#### ✓ Criterion 2: Mid-Course Progress

**60** Guided Learning Hours

Data Science - **13 tasks**

Software Engineering - **13 tasks**

Web Development - **13 tasks**

**Due Date: 28 April 2024**

# Skills Bootcamp Progression Overview

## ✓ Criterion 3: Course Progress

Completion: All mandatory tasks,  
including Build Your Brand and  
resubmissions by study period end  
Interview Invitation: Within 4 weeks  
post-course  
Guided Learning Hours: Minimum of  
112 hours by support end date  
(10.5 hours average, each week)

## ✓ Criterion 4: Demonstrating Employability

Final Job or Apprenticeship  
Outcome: Document within 12  
weeks post-graduation  
Relevance: Progression to  
employment or related  
opportunity

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## Revision: Neural Networks

June 2024



## Important Notice

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# Learning Objectives

- ❖ Understand the fundamental concepts of neural networks.
- ❖ Understand the building blocks of neural networks.
- ❖ Grasp how we use Keras to build a neural network.
- ❖ Know and understand the different hyperparameters
- ❖ Understand how the process of hyperparameter tuning greatly influences model quality and performance



# Revision: Neural Networks



# Neural Network Layers

- ❖ **Input layer:** number of neurons in the input layer is equal to the number of features in the data, sometimes one additional for bias.
- ❖ **Hidden layer/s:** intermediate layer/s between input and output layer where all the computation is done. If number of layers is
  - 0: Only capable of representing linearly separable data
  - **1 - 2:** Data is less complex and have fewer dimensions or features
  - More layers for optimum solution in large dimensions/many features
- ❖ **Output layer:** number of neurons depends on whether the model is a regressor (only one neuron) or classifier (one neuron for each class label).

Most  
common

# Neural Network Layers

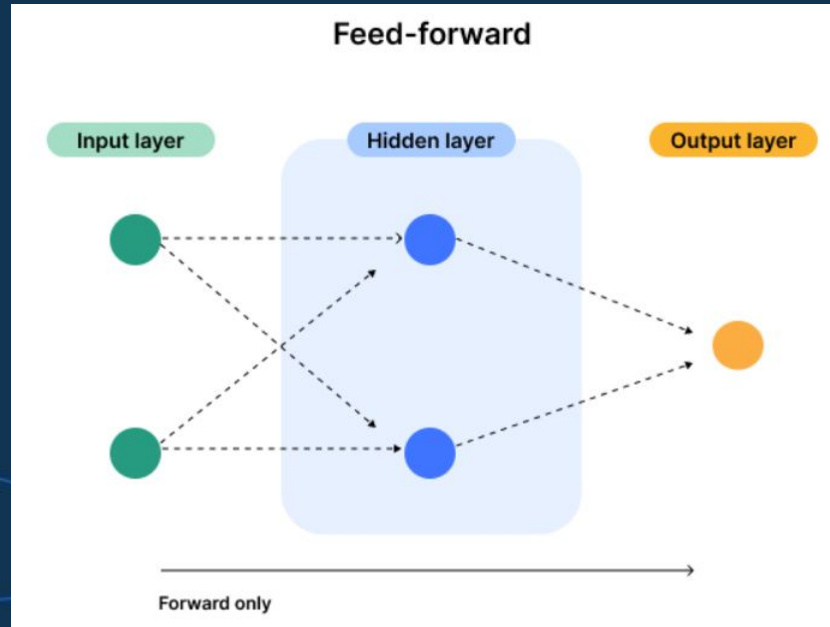
## Number of neurons in hidden layers

- ❖ Few neurons in hidden layers can cause **underfitting**
- ❖ Too many neurons in the hidden layers may result in
  - **Overfitting**, limited training set cannot train all the neurons.
  - **Training time increases** with more neurons in the hidden layers.
- ❖ **Number of neurons in the hidden layer** (generally)
  - should be between input and output layer sizes.
  - should be  $\frac{2}{3}$  the input layer size, plus the output layer size.
  - should be  $\sqrt{\text{input layer nodes} * \text{output layer nodes}}$ .
  - should keep on decreasing in subsequent layers to get more and more close to pattern and feature extraction and to identify the target class.

*Introduction to Neural  
Networks with Java  
Jeff Heaton*

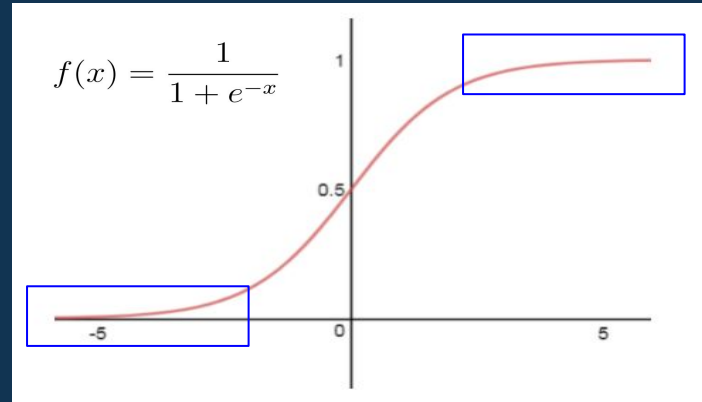
# Feedforward Neural Networks

- ❖ **Feedforward Networks / Artificial Neural Networks (ANNs):** data moves from input to output in a single direction, with only input, hidden, and output layers, no feedback loops.



# Sigmoid Activation Function

- ❖ **Sigmoid** is a smooth function and is continuously differentiable.
- ❖ Non-linear, ranges from 0 - 1
- ❖ Mostly used in **binary classification problems**
- ❖ However, activation of **neurons saturates** either near **0 or 1** (blue areas), **derivative** of the sigmoid function becomes very **small**
- ❖ Function outputs are **not zero-centered**. Training the neural network is more difficult and unstable.





# Tanh Activation Function

❖ E.g. Inputs get **multiplied by 3** at each node

❖ Some values can explode and become astronomical, causing others to seem insignificant.

5	15	45	135	405
0,01	0,03	0,09	0,27	0,81
-0,5	-1,5	-4,5	-13,5	-40,5

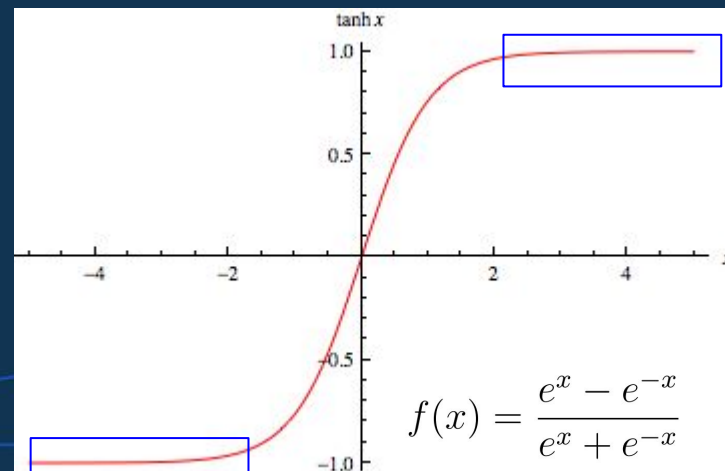
$x*3$

❖ **Tanh activation function** regulates values in **between -1 and +1**

$\tanh(x*3)$

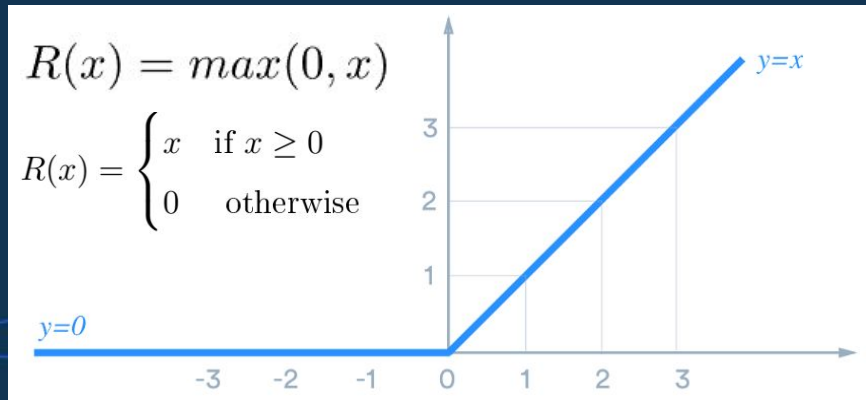
5	1	0,995	0,995	0,995
0,01	0,030	0,090	0,263	0,658
-0,5	-0,905	-0,991	-0,995	-0,995

❖ **Saturation issue** present, but **centered around zero**, preferred over Sigmoid



# ReLU Activation Function

- ❖ **Rectified linear unit (ReLU):** most widely used activation function.
- ❖ Computationally cheap, less time to train, converges faster.
- ❖ Linearity ensures the slope does not plateau, or “saturate,” for large  $x$
- ❖ No vanishing gradient problem suffered by other activation functions
- ❖ Downside: zero for all negative values - **“dying ReLU”**, a neuron is “dead” if stuck in the negative side and always outputs 0. Learning rate is too high or there is a large negative bias.





# Questions and Answers



# Thank you for attending



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