

Mathematics of Artificial Neural Networks

1. Neuron Function (Perceptron)

Each neuron computes a weighted sum of inputs and applies an activation function:

$$z = \sum(w_i * x_i) + b$$

$$a = \phi(z)$$

Where:

- x_i : input features
- w_i : weights
- b : bias
- $\phi(z)$: activation function

2. Layer Operations (Matrix Form)

For a layer of neurons:

$$Z = W \cdot X + B$$

$$A = \phi(Z)$$

Where:

- X : input matrix
- W : weights
- B : bias
- A : output

3. Loss Function

Measures prediction error:

- Regression (MSE): $L = (1/n) * \sum((y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2)$
- Classification (Cross Entropy): $L = -\sum(y_i * \log(\hat{y}_i))$

4. Backpropagation (Gradient Descent)

To minimize loss, update weights via:

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$$w := w - \eta * dL/dw$$

Use the chain rule to compute gradients.

5. Activation Functions

- Sigmoid: $1 / (1 + \exp(-z))$
- ReLU: $\max(0, z)$
- Tanh: $(\exp(z) - \exp(-z)) / (\exp(z) + \exp(-z))$

6. Visual Diagram

