The History of Neural Networks

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The 1940s: The Beginning of Neural Networks

- McCulloch and Pitts, 1943
 - Employed logic and mathematical notion of computation to explain how neural mechanism might realize mental functions.
 - Commonly regarded as the inception of artificial neural networks.

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- Hebb's Learning Rule
 - Connectionism

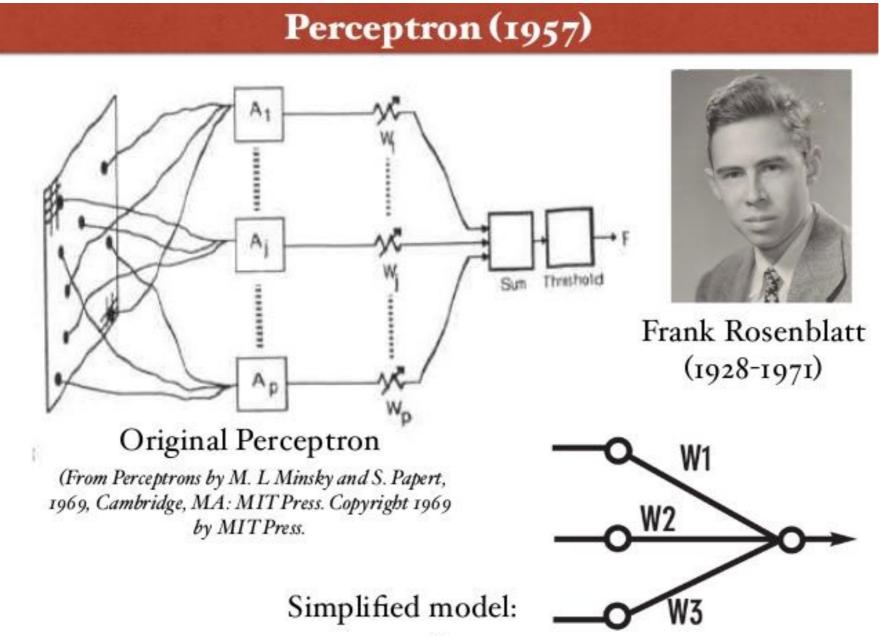
A method of determining how to alter the weights

between model neurons.



The 1950s and 1960s: The First Golden Age of Neural Networks

• Perceptron (Rosenblatt's perceptron), 1957



The 1970s: The Quiet Years

- Marvin Minsky
 - "Perceptron", 1969.
 - "Fatal flaw" of the perceptron; inability to solve non-linear problems.

The 1970s: The Quiet Years

- Kunihiko Fukishima
 - Neocognitron
- Teuvo Kohonen
 - Self-Organizing Map (SOM) algorithm

The 1980s: Renewed Enthusiasm

- John Hopfield, 1982
 - Hopfield Neural Network
- Geoffrey Hinton, etc.
 - Blotzmann Machine
 - Back-propagation (BP) algorithm