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# ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS

## LECTURE 53

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# ARTIFICIAL NEURAL NETWORKS

- Based on
  - Human learning and memory properties
  - Capacity to generalize from particulars
  - Biological activity of brain, where interconnected neurons learn from experience
- Can model complex relationships between outcome variable and set of predictors
  - Applications in Finance (credit card fraud) and engineering disciplines (autonomous vehicle movement)



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- Can model complex relationships between outcome variable and set of predictors
  - Flexible data driven model
    - Not required to specify the form of relationship
    - Useful technique, when functional form of relationship is complicated or unknown
    - Linear and logistic regressions can be conceptualized as special cases
- Neural Network Architectures
  - Multilayer feedforward networks



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- Multilayer feedforward networks
  - Fully connected networks
    - Comprising of multiple layers of nodes
    - With one-way flow and no cycles
  - Input layer
    - First layer of the network
  - Hidden layers
    - Layers between input and output layer



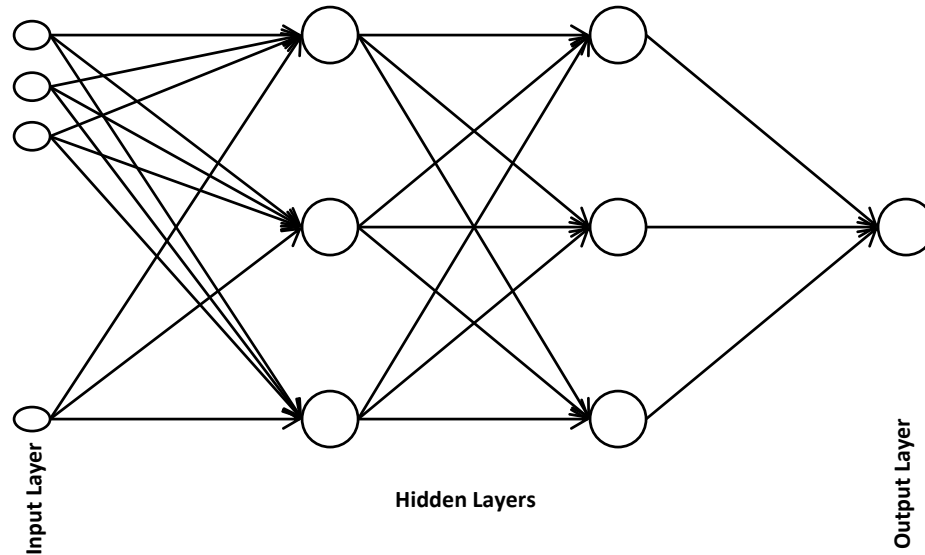
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- Multilayer feedforward networks
  - Output layer
    - Last layer of the network
  - Nodes receive feed from previous layer and forward it to next layer after applying a particular function
  - Function used to map input values (received feed) to output values (forwarded feed) at a node is typically different for each type of layers



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- Multilayer feedforward networks
  - Each arrow from node  $i$  to node  $j$  has a value  $w_{ij}$  indicating weight of the connection
  - Each node in the hidden and output layers also has a bias value,  $\theta_j$  (equivalent to intercept term)
- Computing output values at nodes of each layer type
  - Input layer nodes
    - No. of nodes are typically equal to no. of predictors,  $p$
    - Each node will receive input values from its corresponding predictor
    - Output is same as input, that is, predictor's value

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- Computing output values at nodes of each layer type
  - Hidden layer nodes
    - Sum of bias value and weighted sum of input values received from previous layer is computed

$$\theta_j + \sum_{i=1}^p w_{ij}x_i$$

- Function  $g$  (referred as transfer function) is applied on this sum to produce the output values
- Transfer function could be a monotone function, for example:
  - Linear function:  $g(x) = bx$
  - Exponential function:  $g(x) = e^{bx}$
  - Logistic or sigmoidal function:  $g(x) = 1/(1+e^{-bx})$



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- Computing output values at nodes of each layer type
  - Hidden layer nodes
    - $\theta_j$  and  $w_{ij}$  are typically initialized to small random values in the range  $0.0 \pm 0.05$
    - Network updates these values after learning from data during each iteration or round of training
  - Output layer nodes
    - Steps are same as for hidden layer nodes, except the fact that input values are received from last hidden layer
    - Output values produced by nodes are used as
      - Predictions in a prediction task
      - Scores to be used to classify a record in a classification task



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