

Comp305

Biocomputation

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Comp305 Part I.

Artificial Neural Networks

Topic 3.

Hebb's Rules

ANN Learning Rules

- The **McCulloch-Pitts** neuron made a base for a machine (network of units) capable of
 - *storing information and*
 - *producing logical and arithmetical operations on it*
- The next step
 - must be to realise another important function of the brain, which is
to acquire new knowledge through experience, i.e. learning.

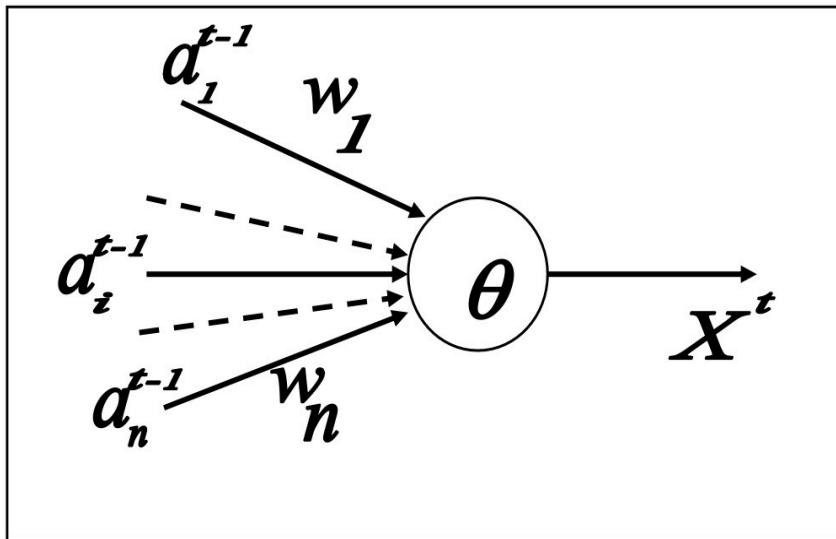
ANN Learning Rules

- Learning means
to change in response to experience
- In an MP neural network, wights of connections are fixed.



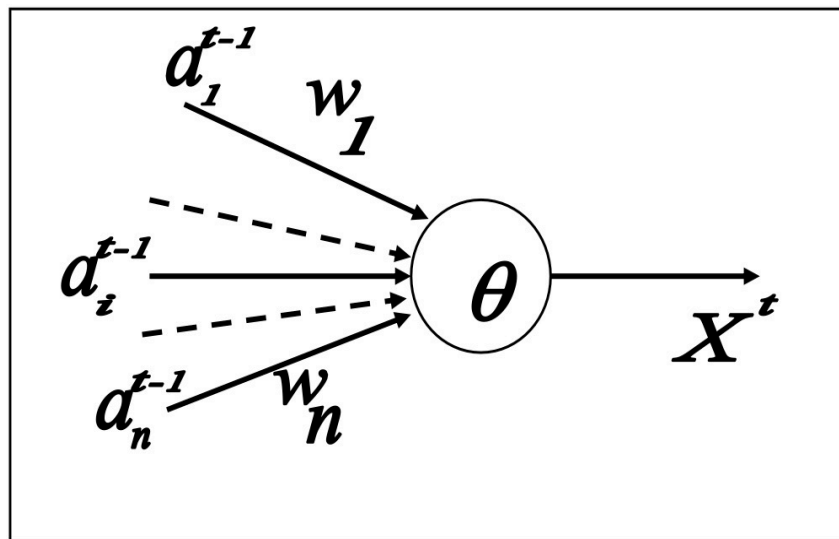
- We need a new model, of which the parameters are easily changeable (to be learnt).

Beyond Standard MP Neuron



- From now, we do **NOT** have the restriction on the weight. That is, the weight can be any real value.
- We do **NOT** check the inhibitory input.

ANN Learning Rules



Definition:

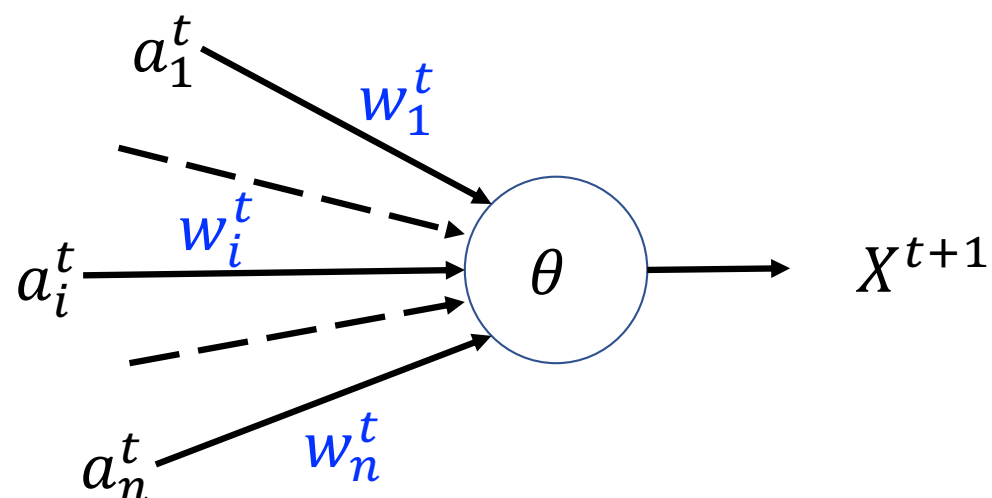
ANN learning rule is
*the rule how to adjust the
weights of connections to get
desirable output.*

Hebb's Rule (1949)

Hebb proposed that

“... Cells that **fire together**, **wire together**...”

Hebb's Rule (1949)



Consider the above neuron, the weight w_i^t is what we want to learn.

Again, here we allow w_i^t could be other than -1 or 1, and we do not check inhibitory inputs. It is **NOT a standard MP neuron**.

Hebb's Rule (1949)

- The simplest formulation of Hebb's rule is to increase weight of connection at every next instant in the way:

$$w_i^{t+1} = w_i^t + \Delta w_i^t,$$

Where

$$\Delta w_i^t = C a_i^t X^{t+1}$$

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w_i^t is the **weight** of connection **at instant t** ,

w_i^{t+1} is the **weight** of connection **at the next instant $t + 1$** ,

Δw_i^t is the **increment** by which the weight of connection is enlarged,

C is positive coefficient which determines **learning rate**.

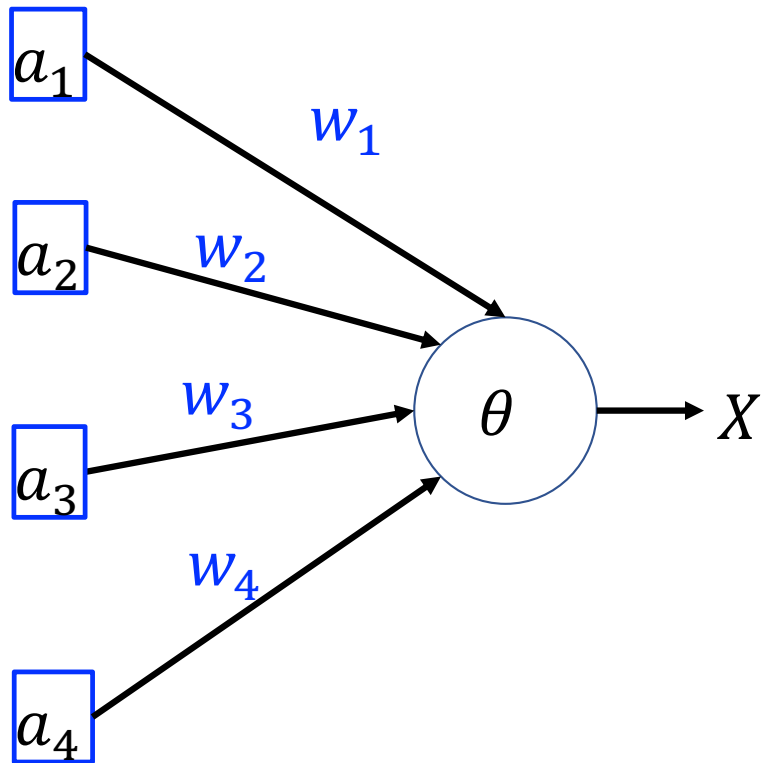
a_i^t is **input** value from the presynaptic neuron **at instant t** ,

X^{t+1} is **output** of the postsynaptic neuron **at the instant t** .

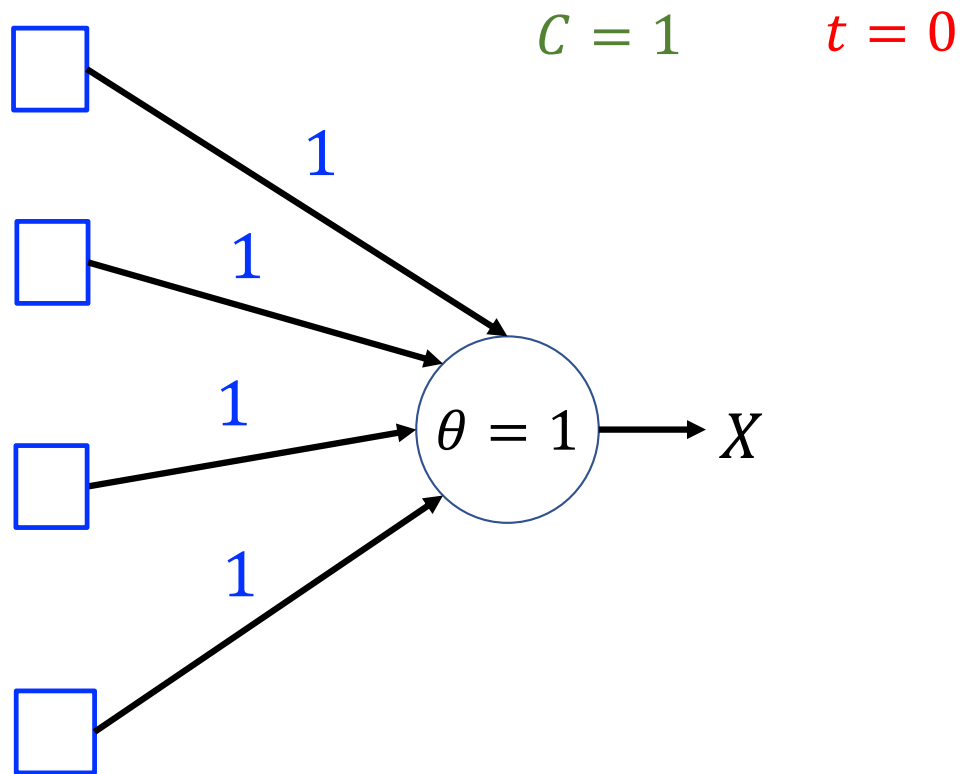
Algorithm of Hebb's Rule for a Single Neuron

1. Set the neuron threshold value θ and the learning rate C .
2. Set random initial values for the weights of connections w_i^t .
3. Give instant input values a_i^t by the input units.
4. Compute the instant state of the neuron $S^t = \sum_i w_i^t a_i^t$
5. Compute the instant output of the neuron X^{t+1}
$$X^{t+1} = g(S^t) = H(S^t - \theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & S^t \geq \theta; \\ 0, & S^t < \theta. \end{cases}$$
6. Compute the instant corrections to the weights of connections $\Delta w_i^t = C a_i^t X^{t+1}$
7. Update the weights of connections $w_i^{t+1} = w_i^t + \Delta w_i^t$
8. Go to the step 3.

A Running Example

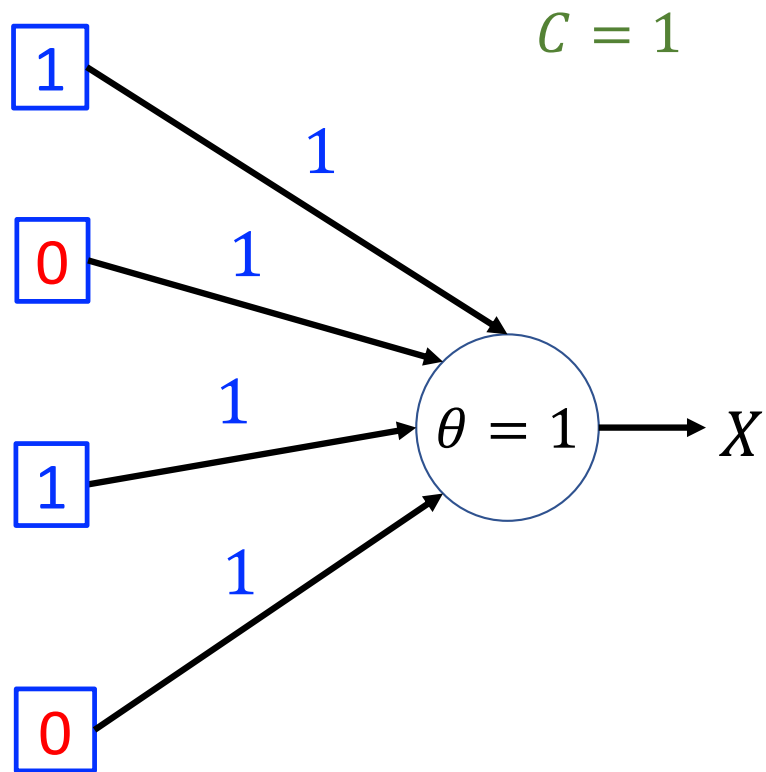


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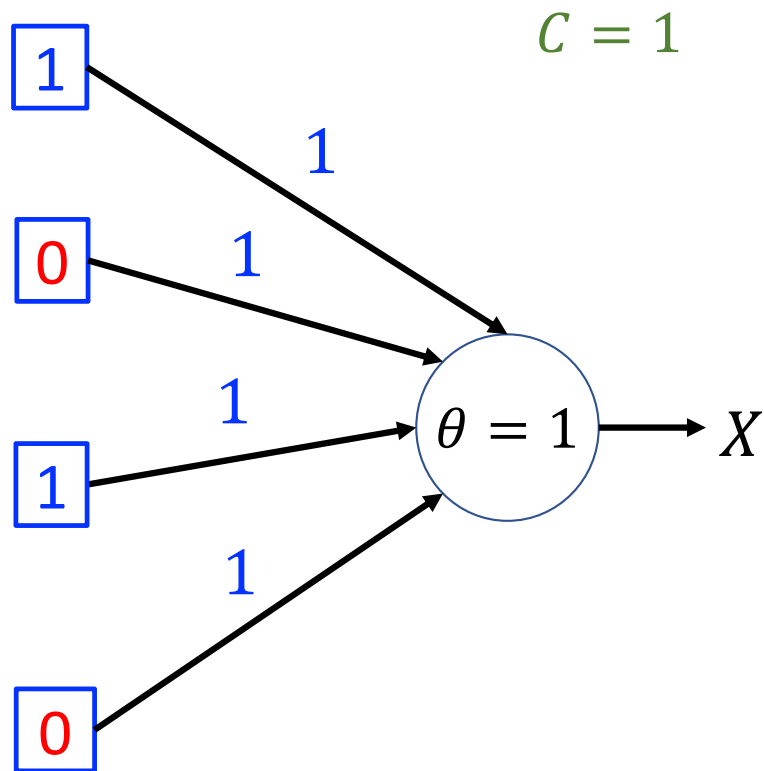
$$C = 1$$

$$t = 0$$

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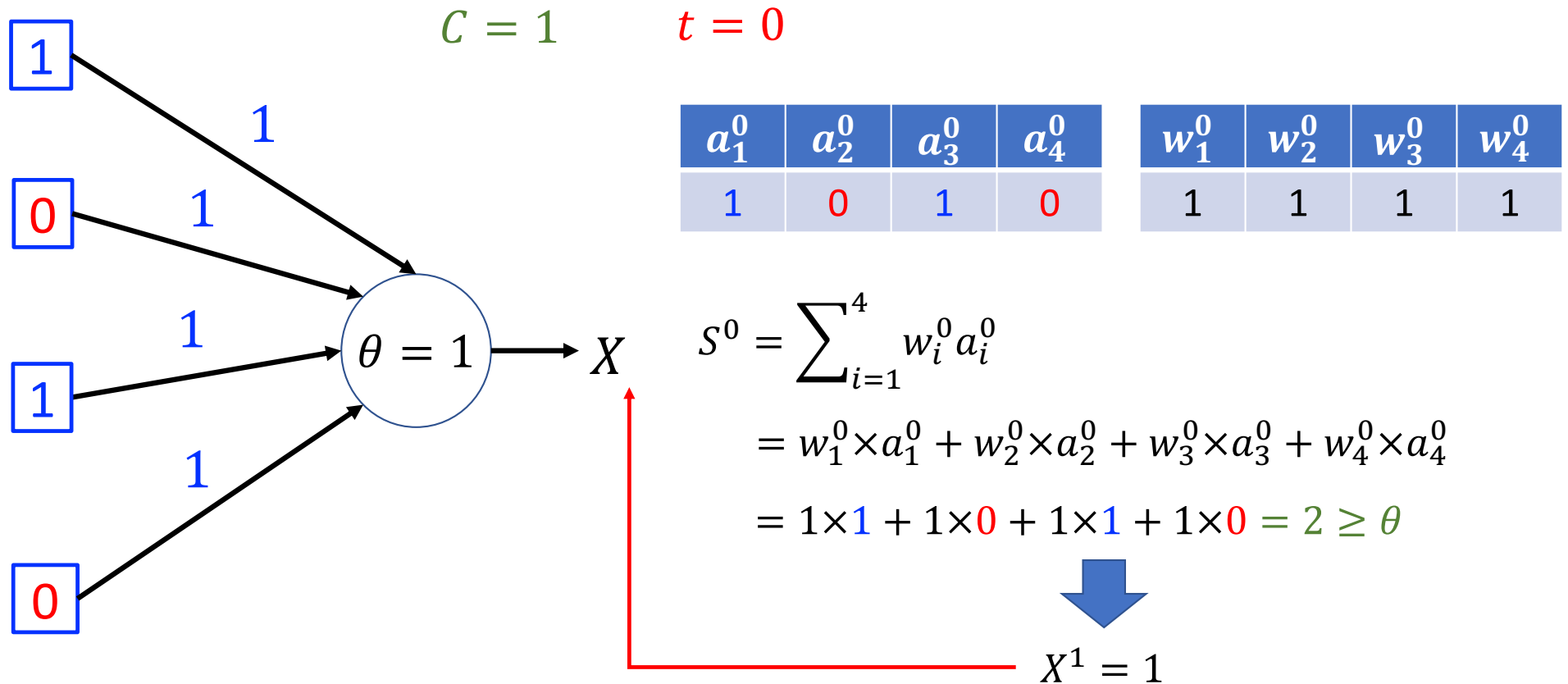
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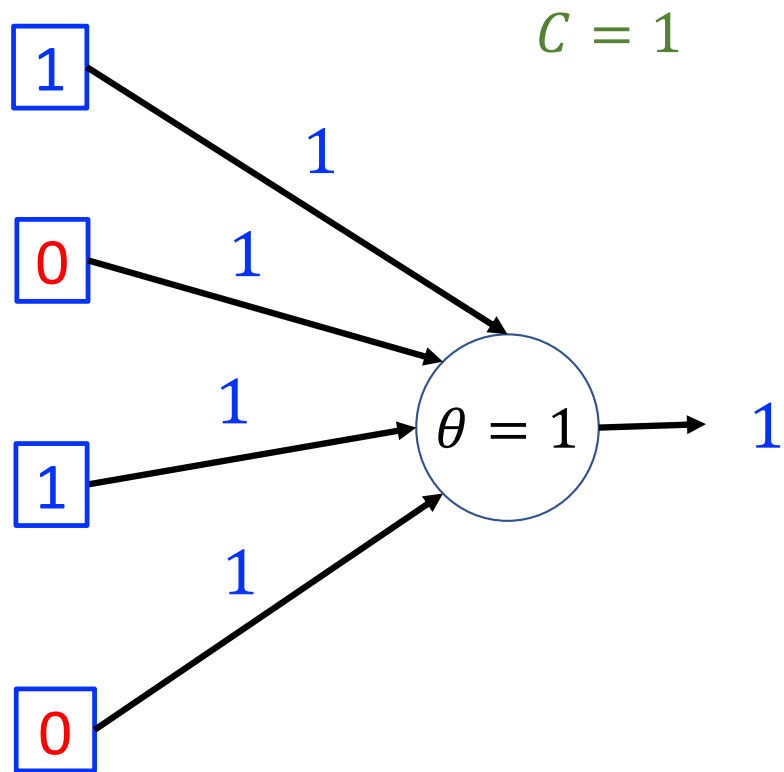
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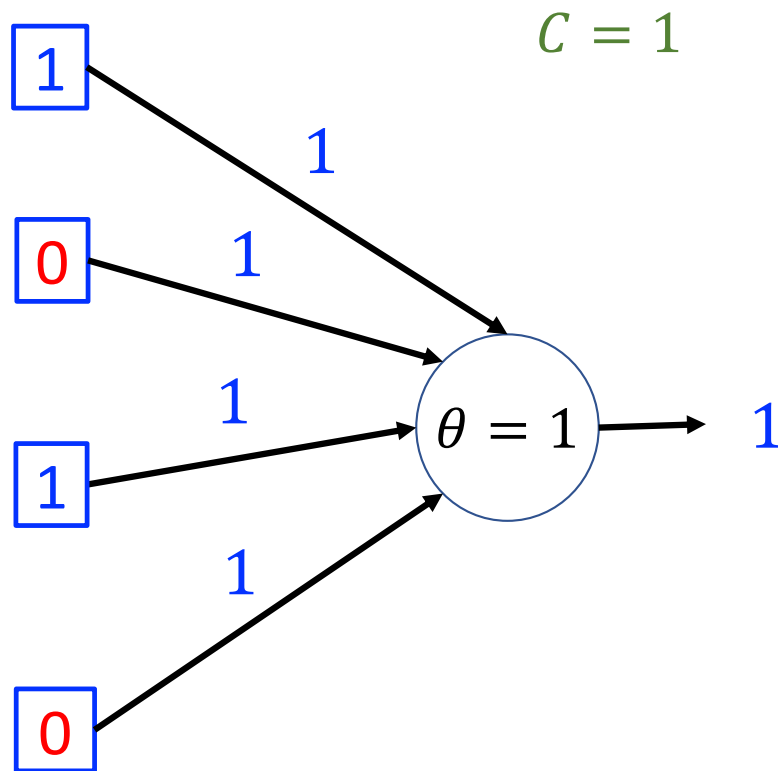
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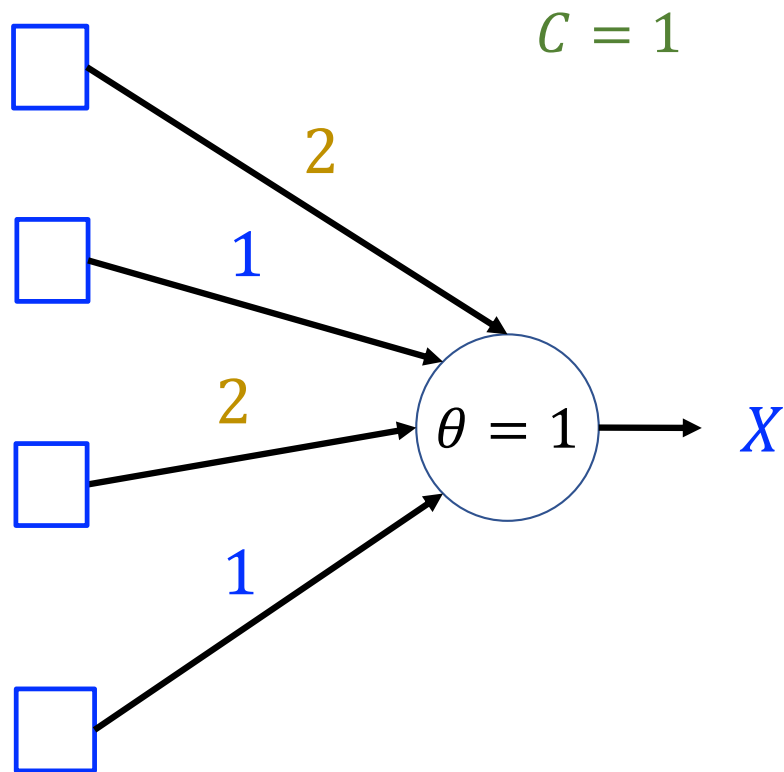
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a_1^0	a_2^0	a_3^0	a_4^0
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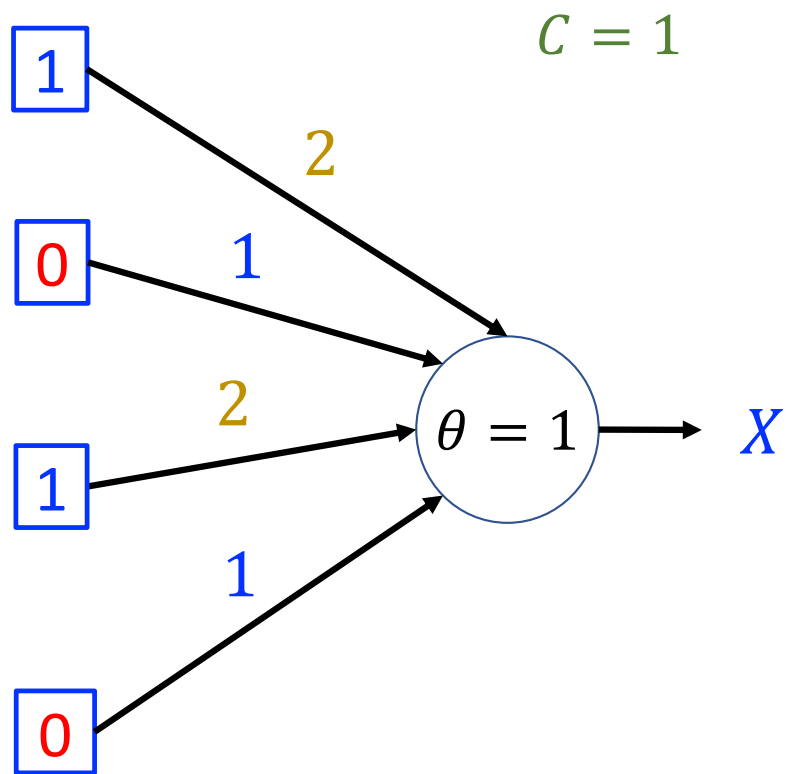
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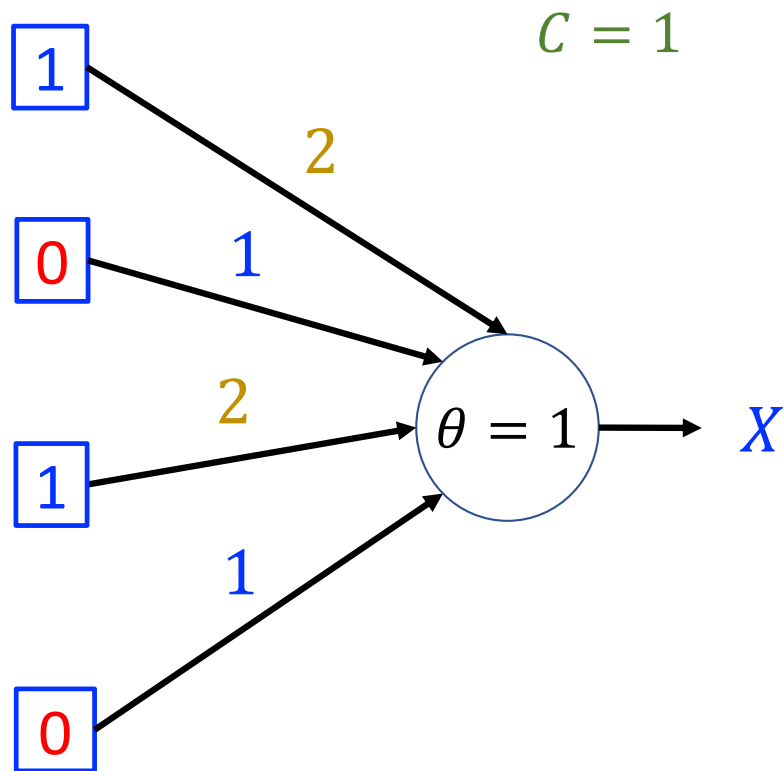
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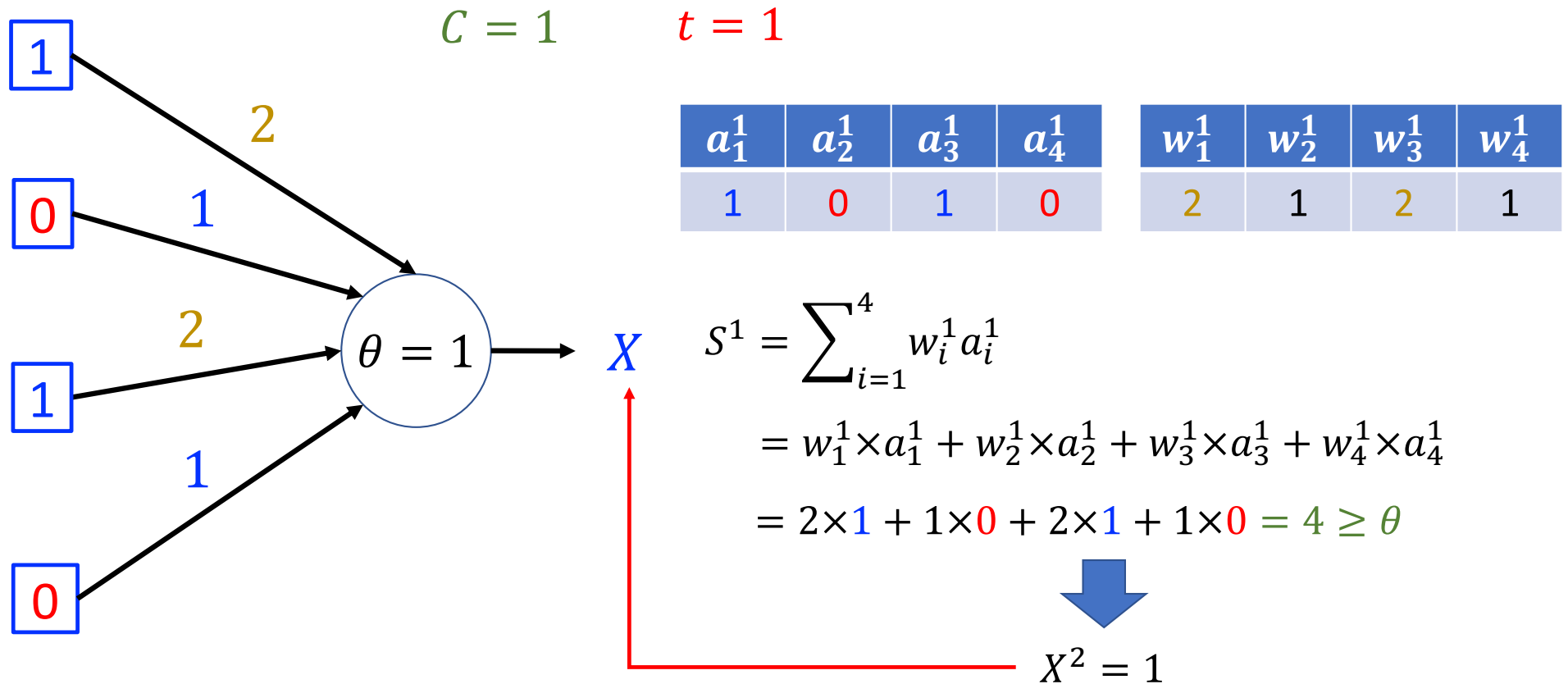
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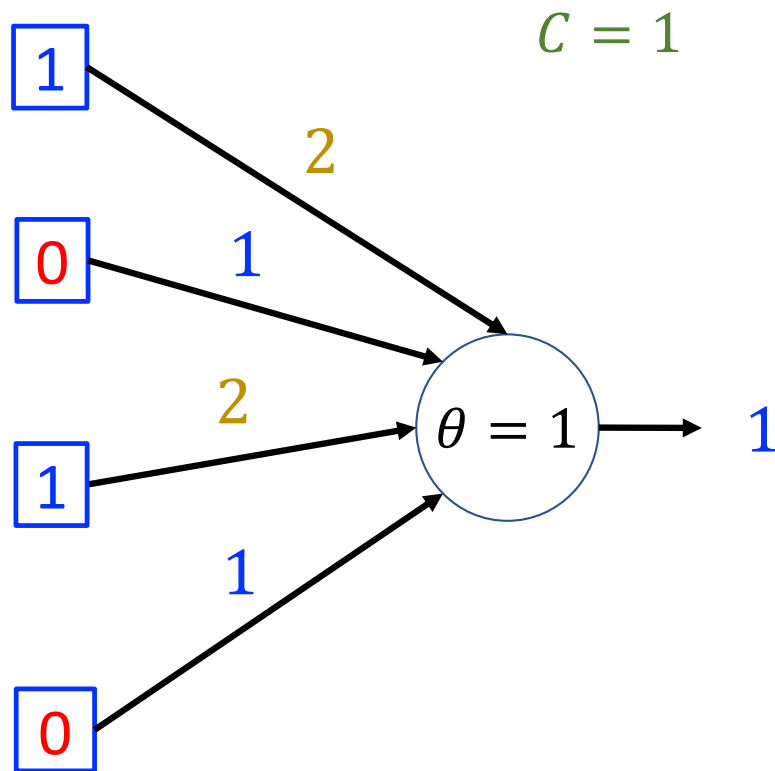
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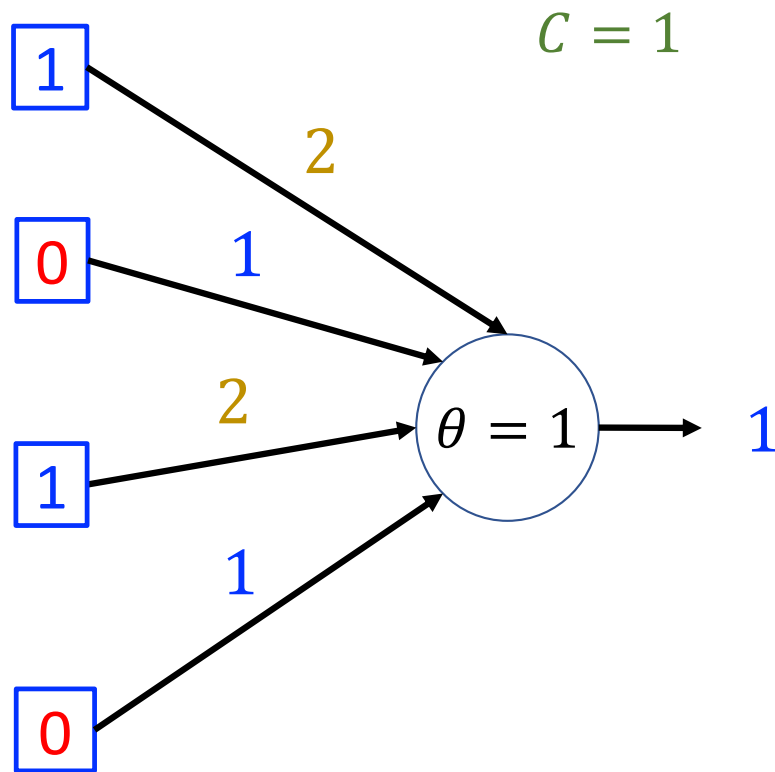
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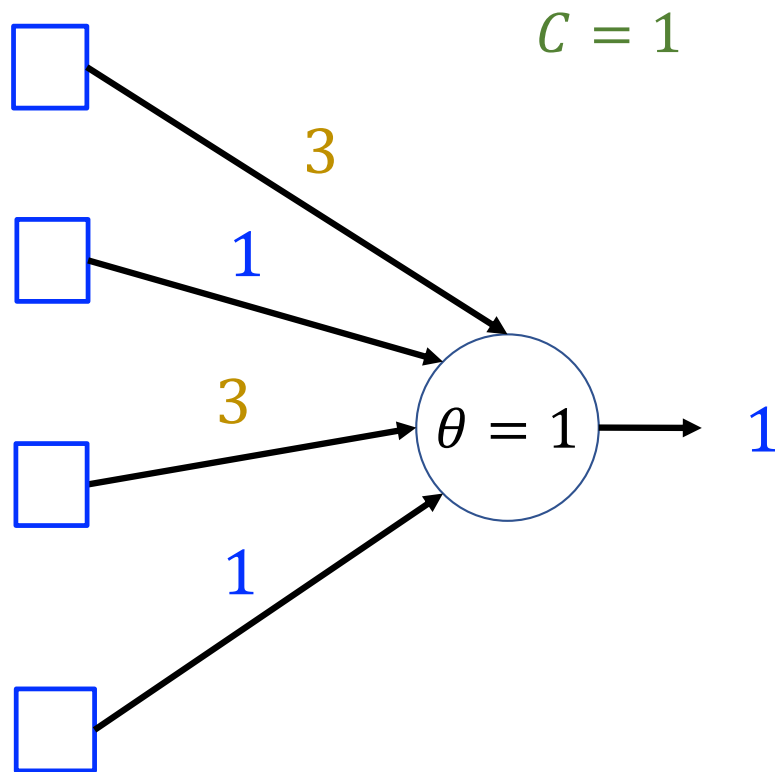
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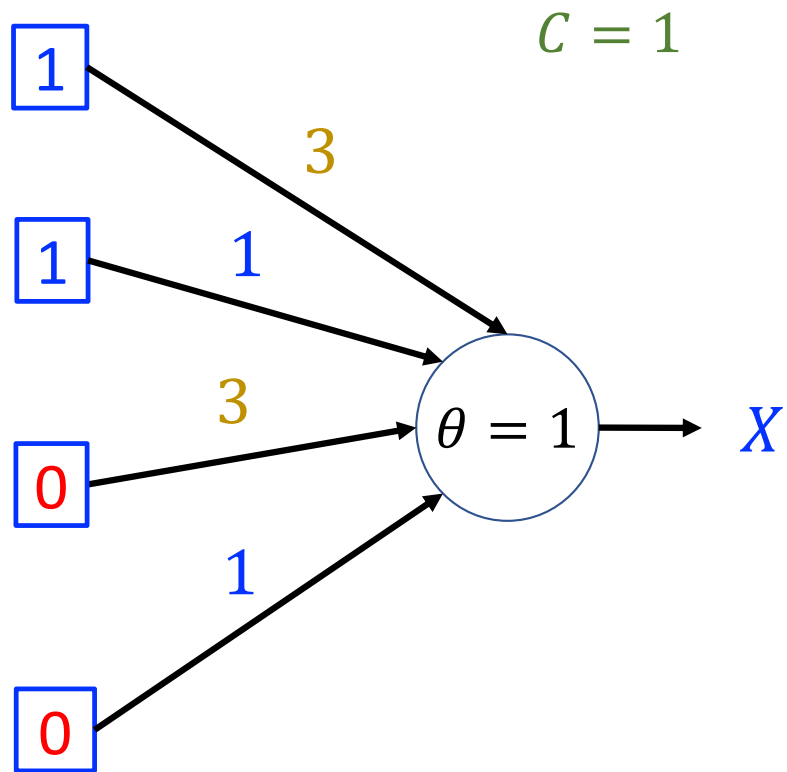
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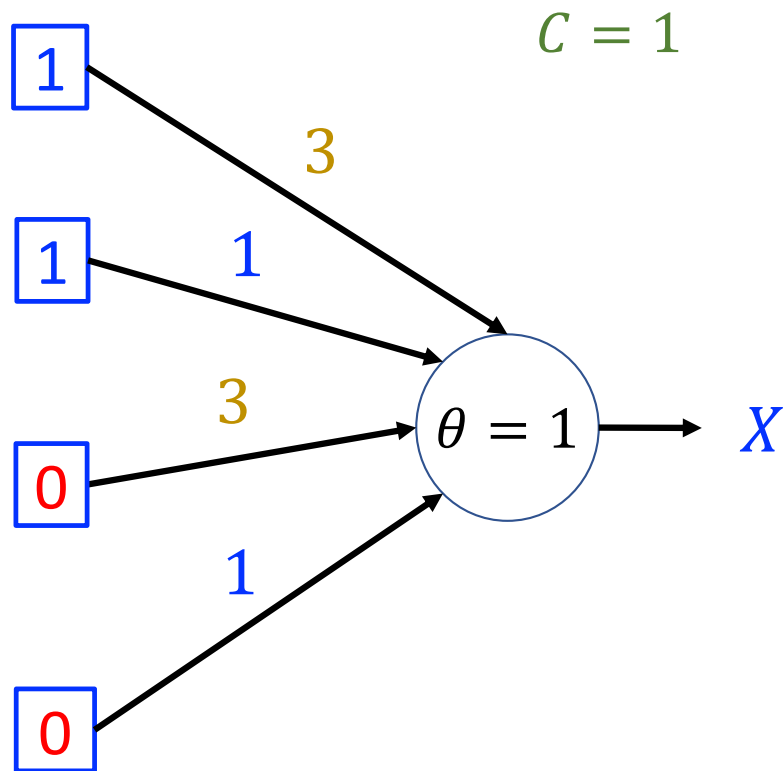
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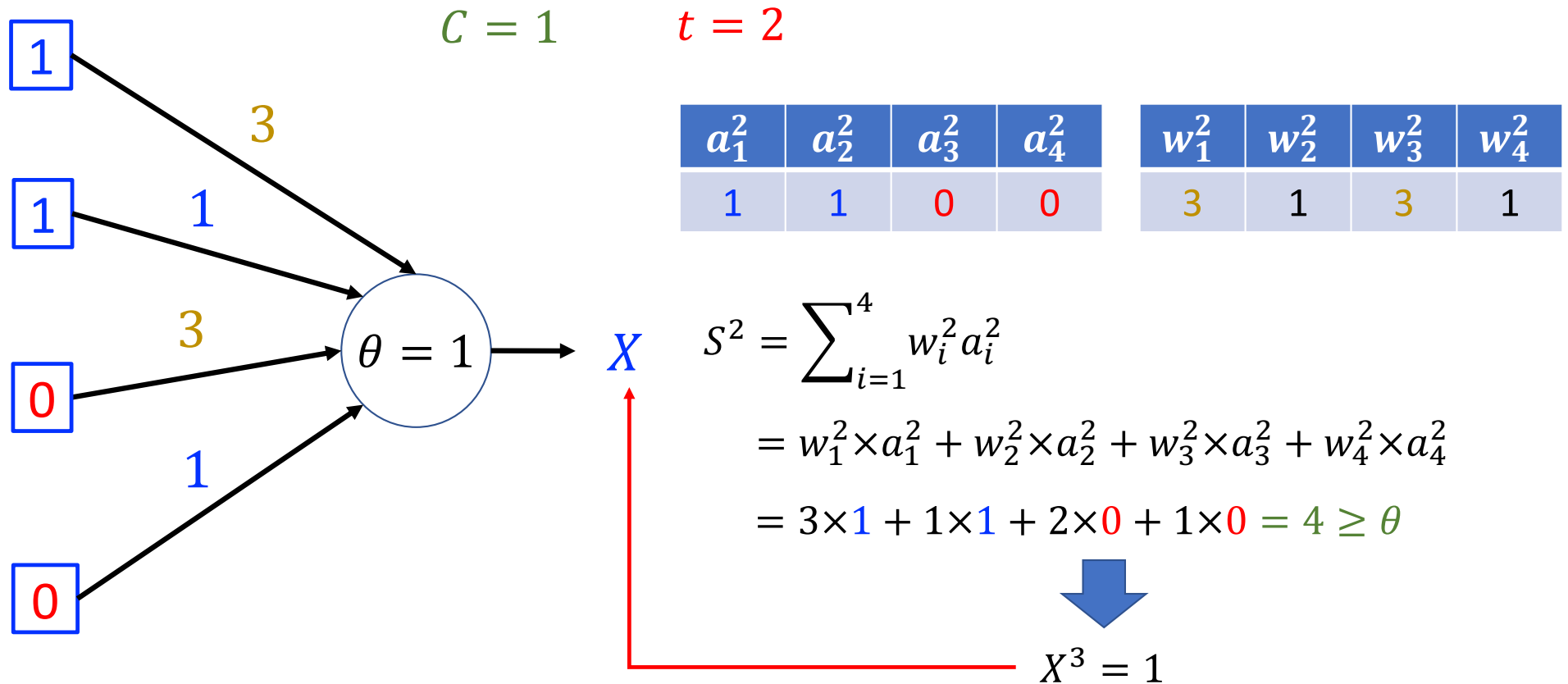
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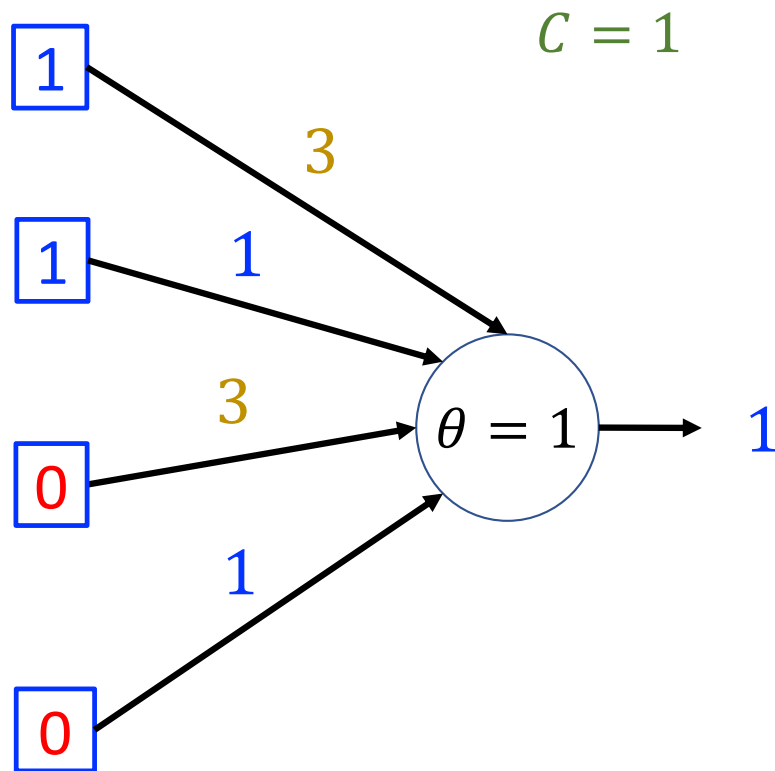
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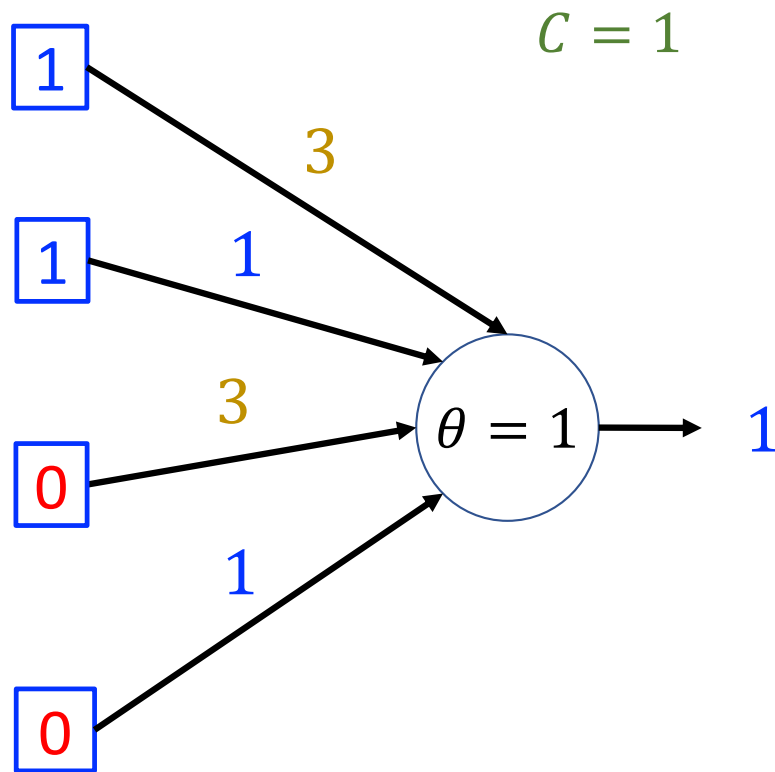
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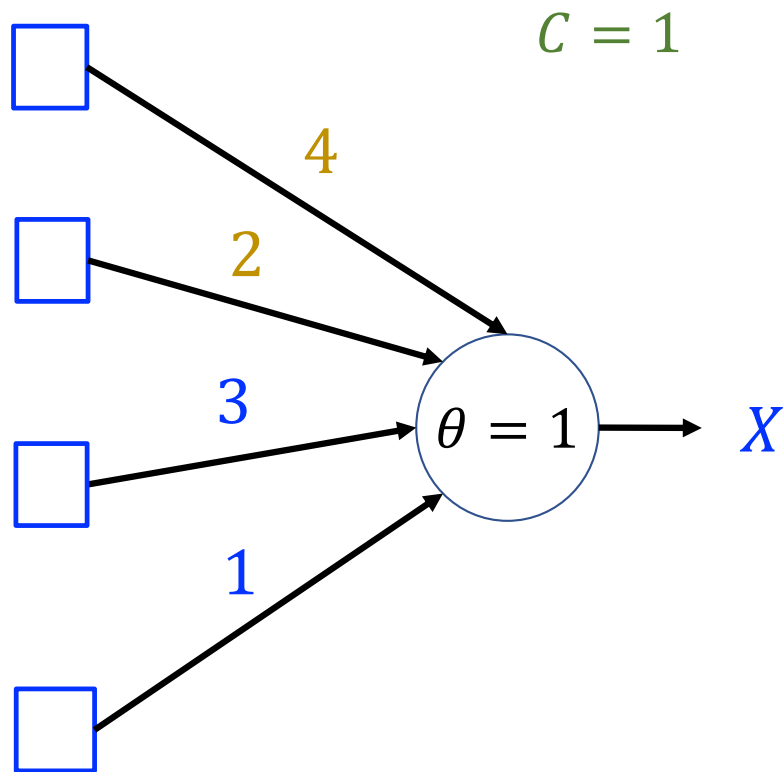
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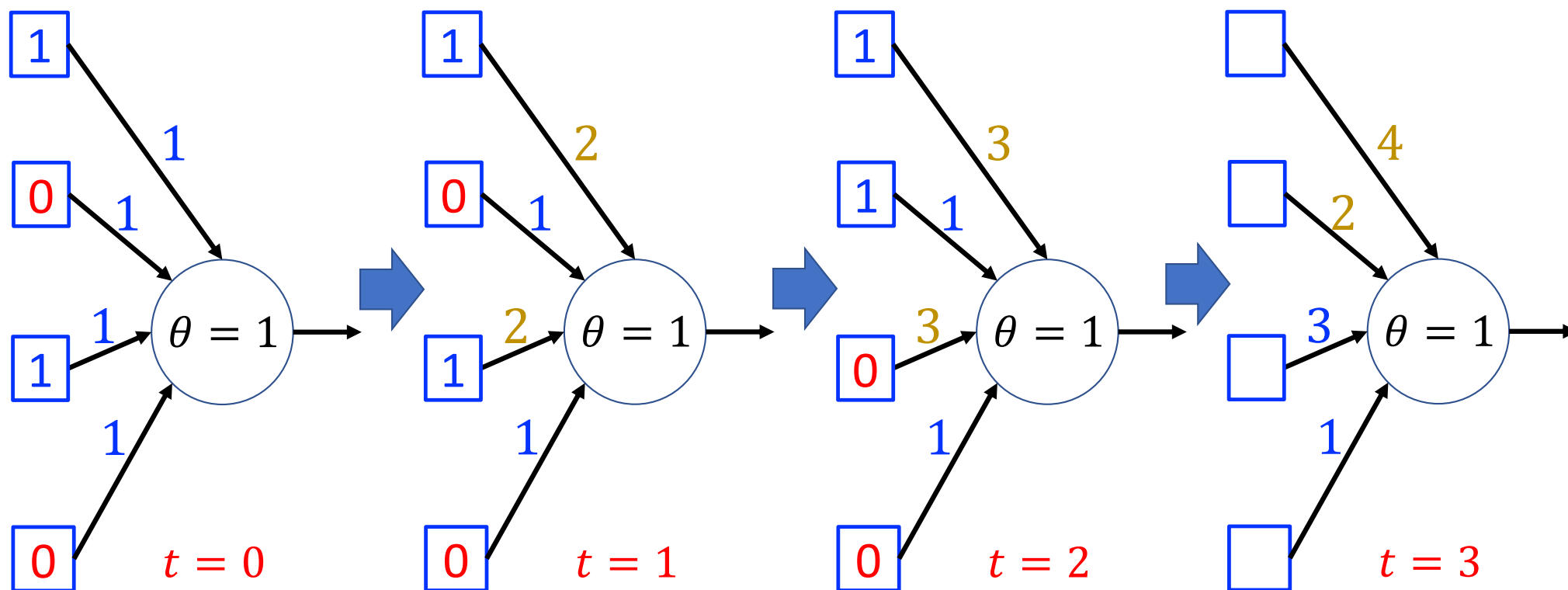


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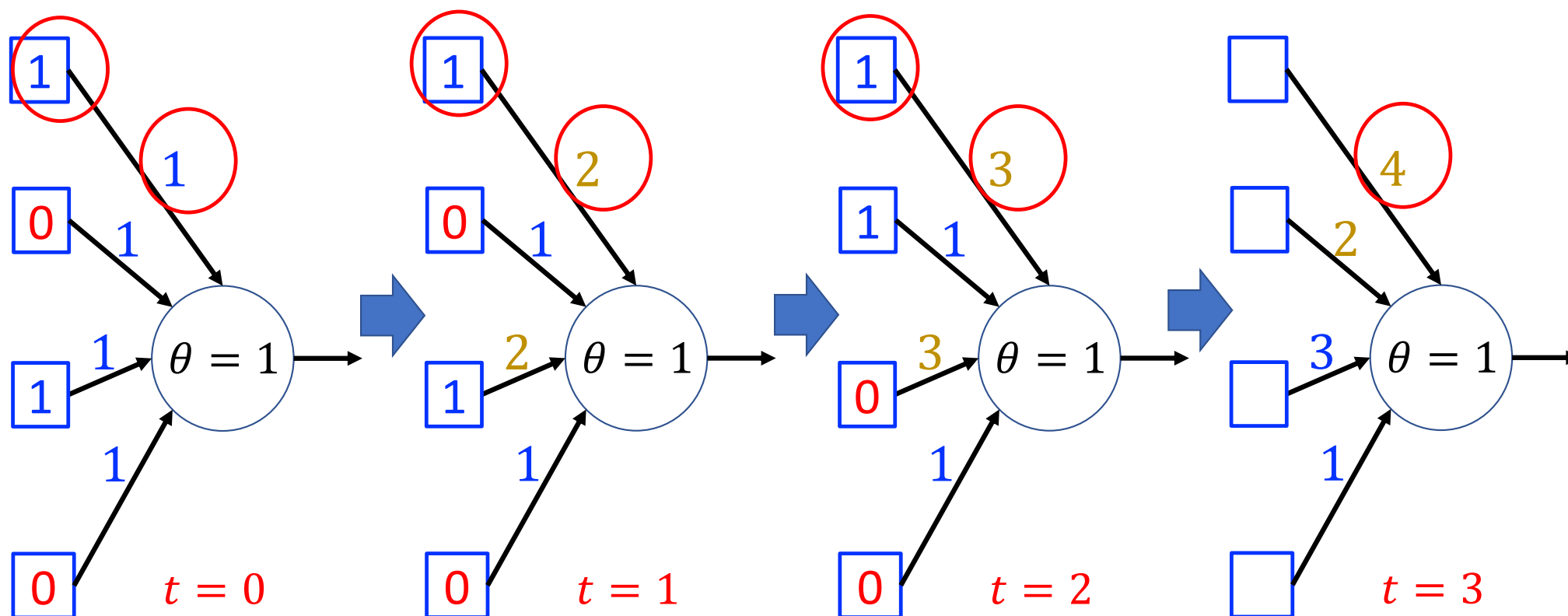
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Wait for the inputs at $t = 3$...

Meaning behind Hebb's Rule



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Intuition: If two adjacent neurons always fire together, they should have strong relation (large weight).

Theory behind Hebb's Rule

Under some assumptions:

Assumption 1: Simplified activation function

$$X^{t+1} = g(S^t) = H(S^t - \theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & S^t \geq \theta; \\ 0, & S^t < \theta. \end{cases} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X^{t+1} = g(S^t) = \sum_i w_i^t a_i^t$$

Assumption 2: All the inputs a^t are from a given finite data set D with the cardinality N . In each epoch, we train the neuron with all the inputs within the data set. We have infinite epochs.

Theory behind Hebb's Rule

From the discrete $\Delta w_i^t = C a_i^t X^{t+1}$ to the continuous form.

$$\frac{dw_i}{dt} = C a_i X = C a_i \sum_i w_i a_i \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{dw}{dt} = C a X = \underline{C a a^T w} \quad (\text{Matrix form})$$

Where $a = [a_1 \quad \cdots \quad a_n]^T$, $w = [w_1 \quad \cdots \quad w_n]^T$

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Positive-definite

The **average** \bar{a} always exists, but we don't know what it is. The "**average**" is the feature of the data set D that is **learnt** by the Hebb's rule.

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Positive-definite

We can obtain the (unique) solution of this ordinary differential equation (ODE).

$$W(t) = k_1 e^{\alpha_1 t} \delta_1 + k_2 e^{\alpha_2 t} \delta_2 + \dots + k_m e^{\alpha_m t} \delta_m$$

where

Power expressions with the same base e: the exponent matters

k_i : coefficients determined by initial value,

δ_i : the i -th eigenvector of α , α_i : the i -th eigenvalue of α

PCA

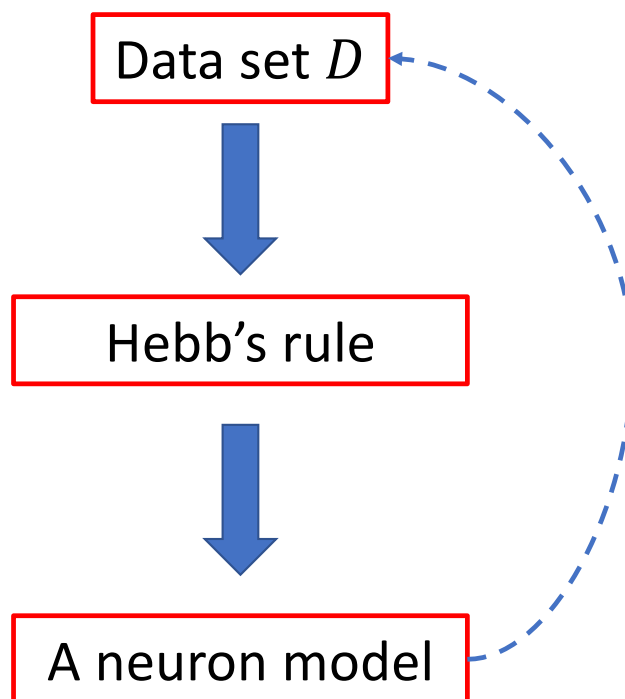
Principal components analysis

When the sufficient time has passed, that is, t is large enough,

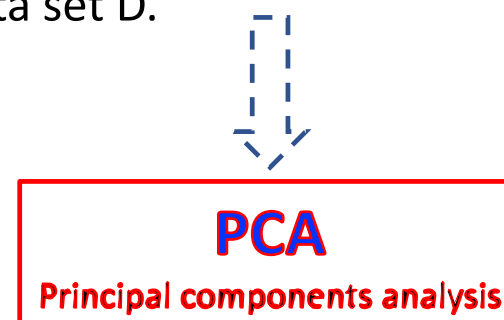
$$W(t) \approx k^* e^{\alpha^* t} \delta^* \quad \Rightarrow \quad X(t) \approx k^* e^{\alpha^* t} \delta^* a$$

Largest eigenvalue: Dominated by the term of largest eigenvalue

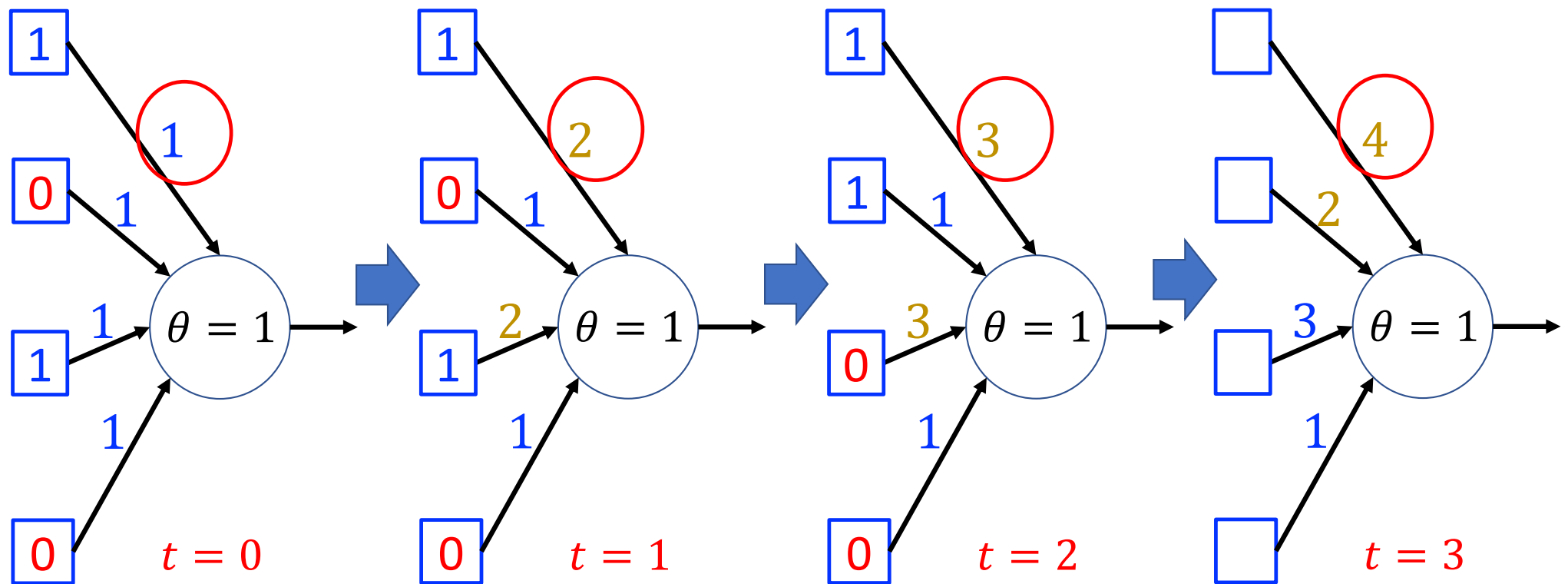
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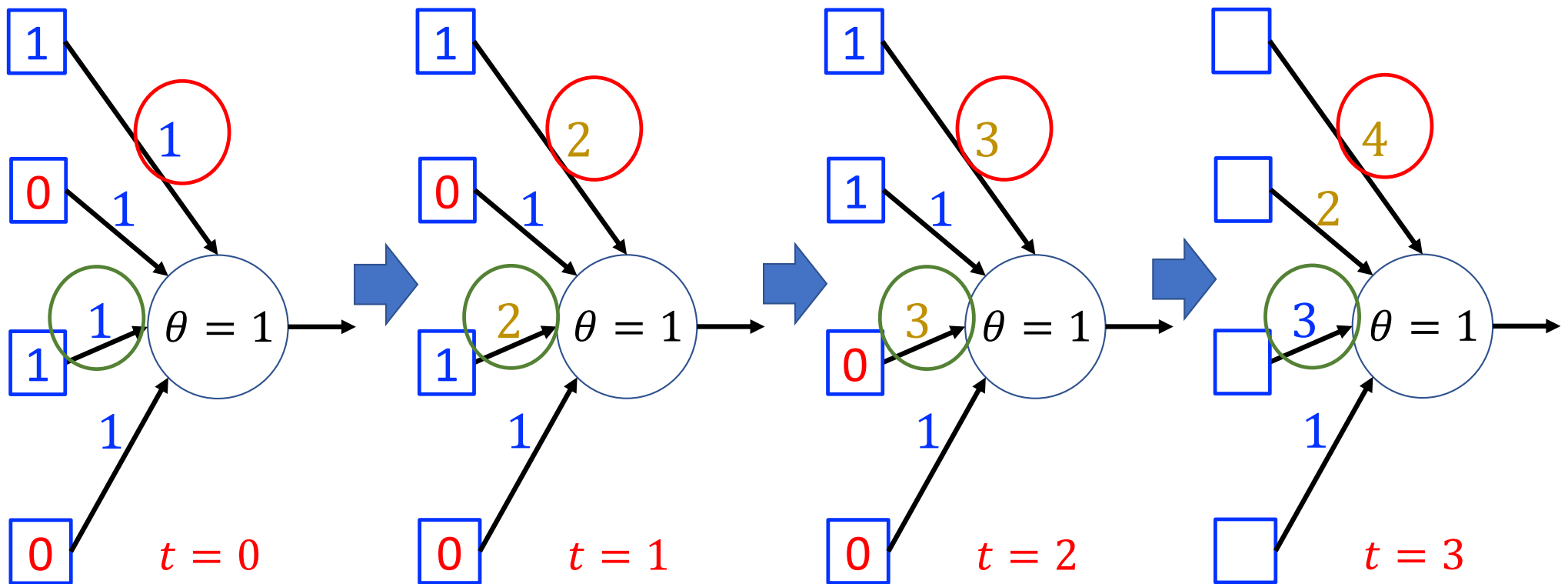
The weights of the neuron model after Hebbian learning, reflects the most important feature of the average \bar{a} of the data set D .



Example: w_1 and w_3



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All the weights **increase monotonously**. Finally, each weight will become large enough such that any activated input can fire the neuron alone.