

Building ML Models

Week 1: Introductions,
Onboarding, Intro to ML

Overview

- Introductions/Icebreakers
- Intro to ML
- Intro to Math
- Code a Perceptron

Administrivia

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- Join the Slack channel if you haven't already
 - We post slides, links, and send announcements there
- Attendance policy: must attend every other session

Introductions

Isaac Heitmann

Major: Data Science

Year: Senior

Hometown: Andover, MA

Fun facts:

- I have a Pokemon card collection (potentially \$\$\$\$) that I can't find
- I'm a transfer student from UMass Amherst



Kevin Calopisis

Major: Data Science (Eng)

Year: 3rd (and final)

Hometown: Seoul, South Korea, but I moved to Michigan at 1 y/o

Fun Facts:

- I can solve a Rubik's Cube in under 15 seconds
- I'm fairly fast at typing

15 seconds

173

100%

30 seconds

158

97%

10 words

209

100%



Icebreaker

- Count off by 5s...
- Get in your groups
- **First group where one person gets all names right...**

Intro to Machine Learning

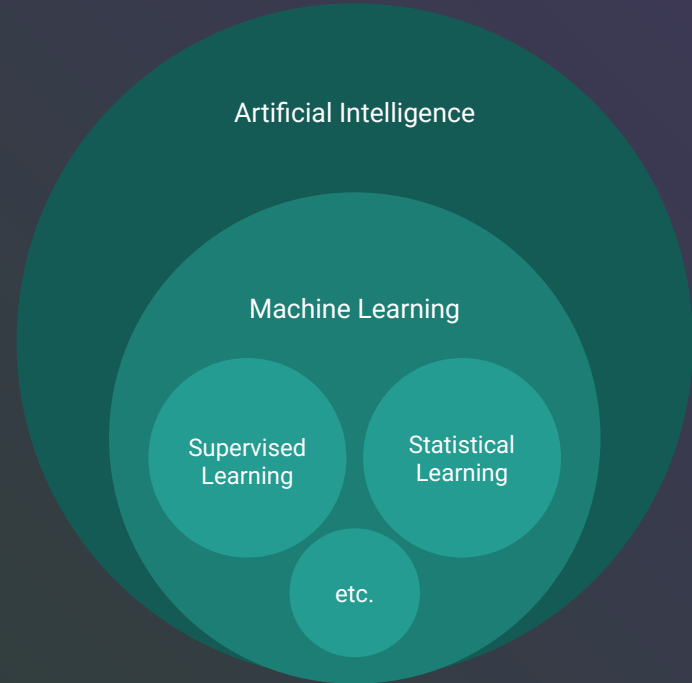
What is Machine Learning vs Artificial Intelligence?

Artificial Intelligence

- A general term to describe machines performing intelligent, or human like tasks
- Contains all forms of statistical learning

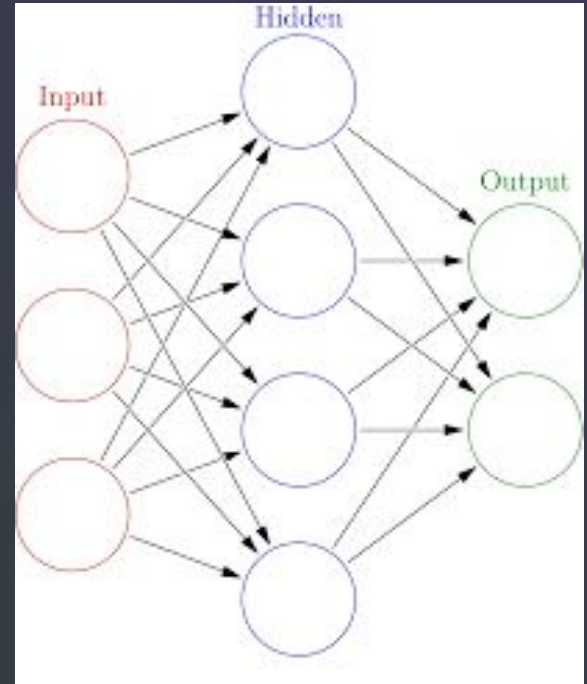
Machine Learning

- A specific type of artificial intelligence where machines learn to classify or predict based of data
- Data driven, robust, low complexity



Neural Networks

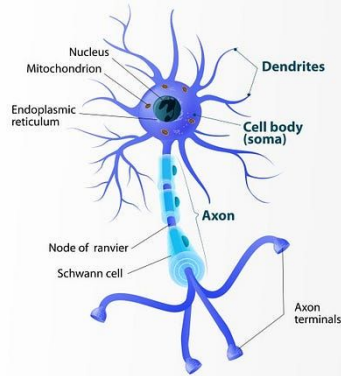
- Ubiquitous ML model type
- Well-suited to tasks involving **complex patterns**
 - Natural language processing (NLP)
 - Computer vision (CV)
 - Financial forecasting and fraud detection
- Seems complex, but the design is quite human.



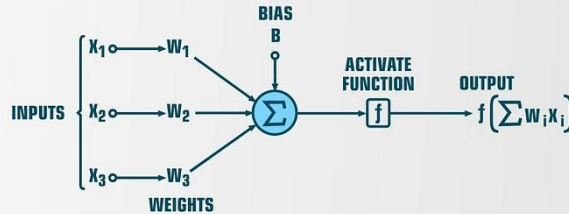
The Brain and Neural Networks

- Inspiration for ANNs: **The Brain**

Structure of Typical Neuron



Structure of Artificial Neuron



- Key idea: **Learning** happens upon **repeated recognition**
- Similarly, ANNs **improve weights** (multiply inputs) to improve accuracy

How the Perceptron Works

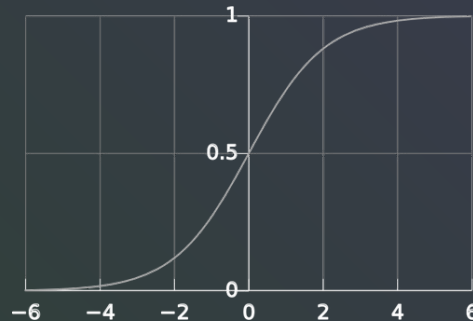
- Based on a human neuron
- Some positive integer n inputs
 x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n
- A weight for each input
 w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n
- One output
- Weighted sum of inputs is taken
- Activation function applied to weighted sum to push all values between a manageable range

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i=0}^n x_i w_i$$

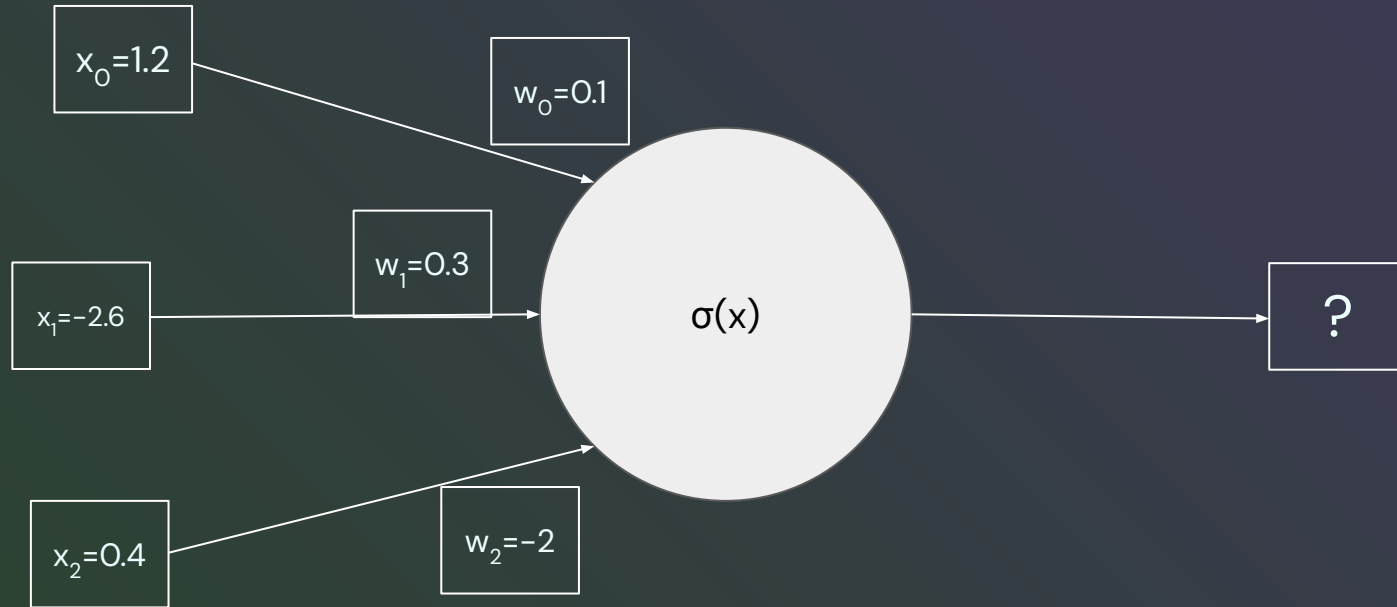
Weighted Sum Formula

$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

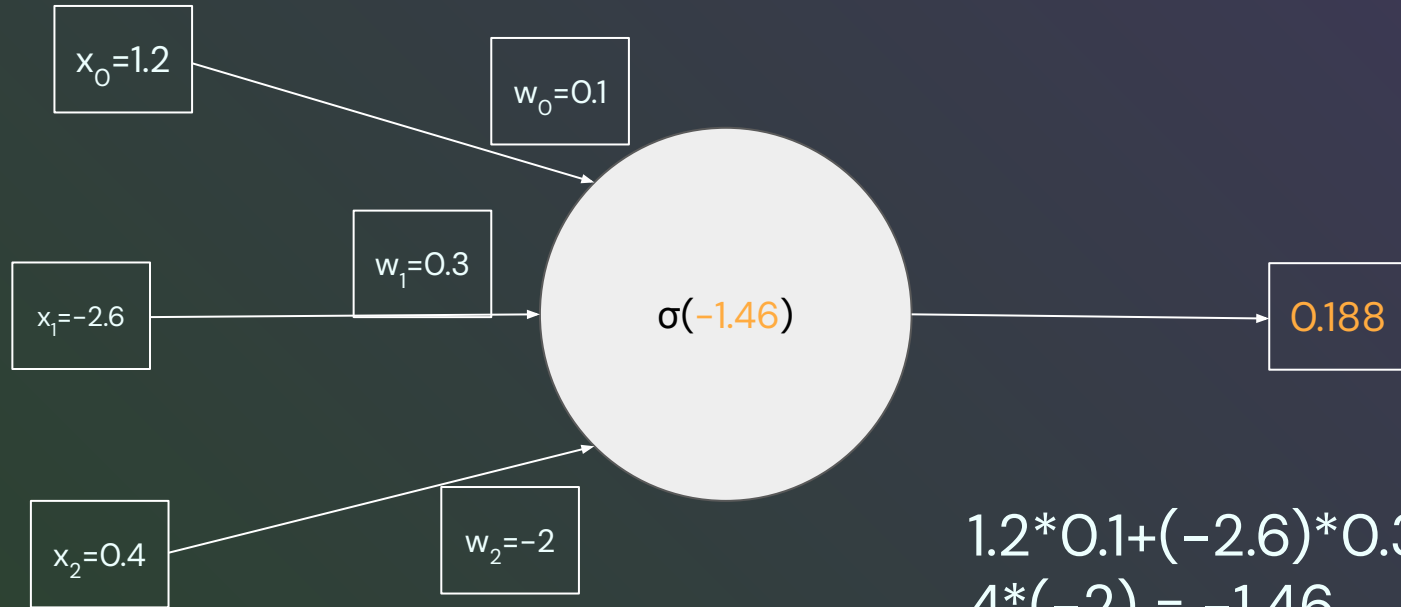
Sigmoid Activation Function



Example Problem



Example Problem: Solution



$$\begin{aligned} &1.2 * 0.1 + (-2.6) * 0.3 + 0.4 * (-2) = -1.46 \\ &1 / (1 + e^{1.46}) = 0.188 \end{aligned}$$

Let's Code It!

Code Links:

- [Github](#)
 - Download the Jupyter Notebook
 - Use either Colab or VS Code to edit the notebook