COMP24111 lecture 3

The Linear Classifier,

also known as the “Perceptron”

LAST WEEK: our first "machine learning" algorithm

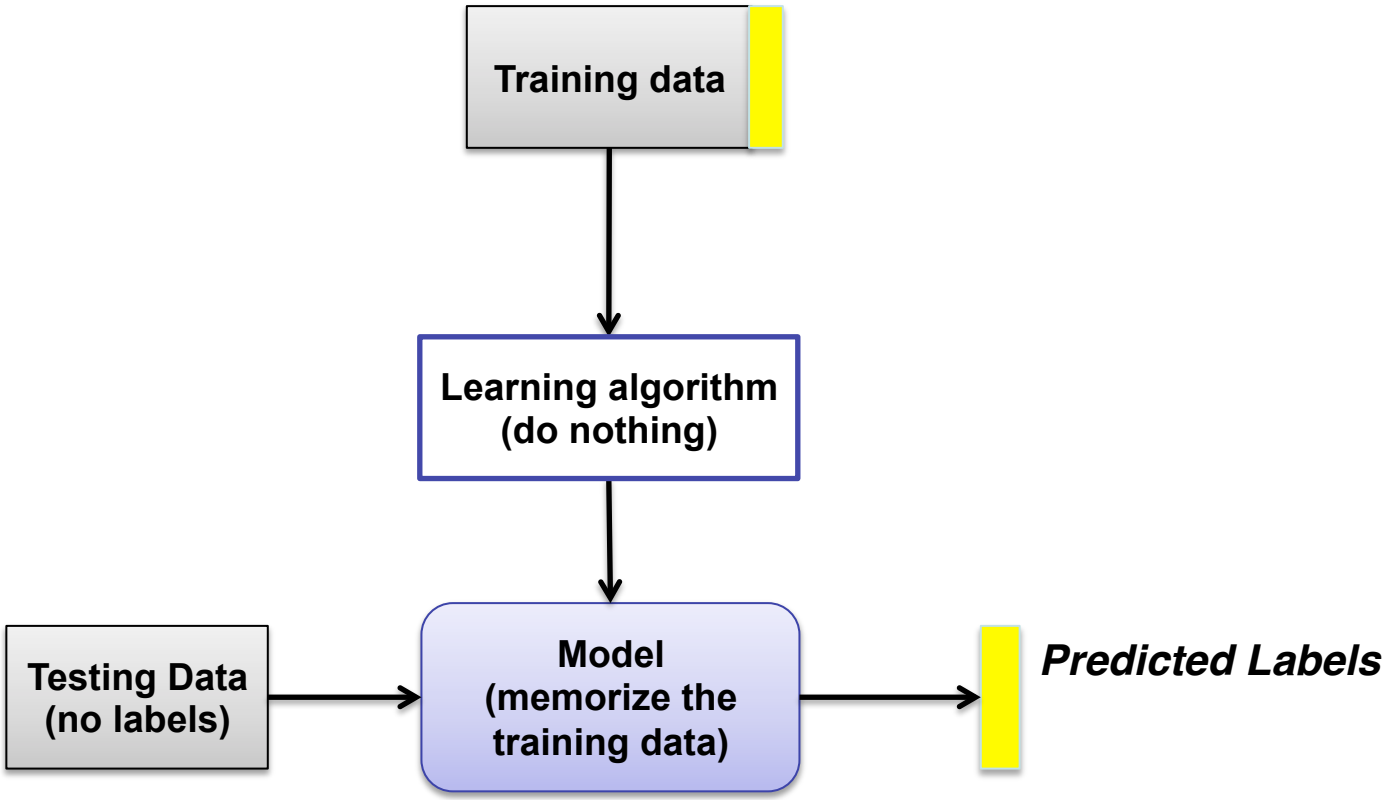
The K-Nearest Neighbour Classifier

```
Testing point x
For each training datapoint x'
   measure distance(x,x')
End
Sort distances
Select K nearest
Assign most common class
```

Make your own notes on its advantages / disadvantages.

I'll ask for volunteers next time we meet…..

Supervised Learning Pipeline for Nearest Neighbour



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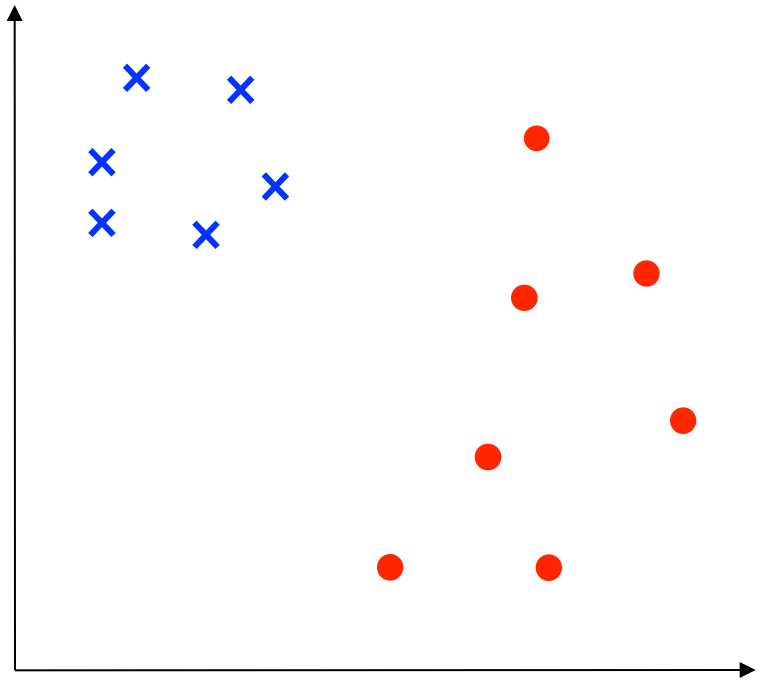

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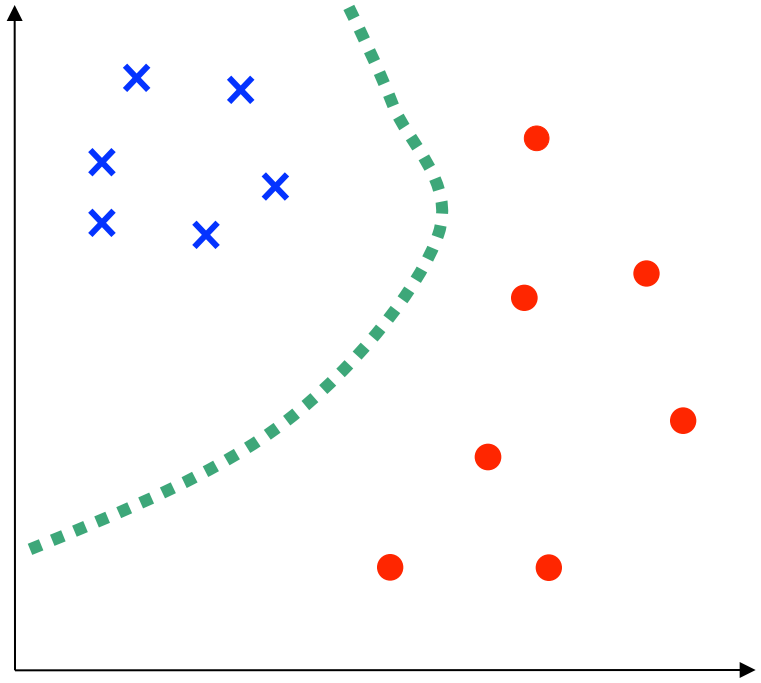

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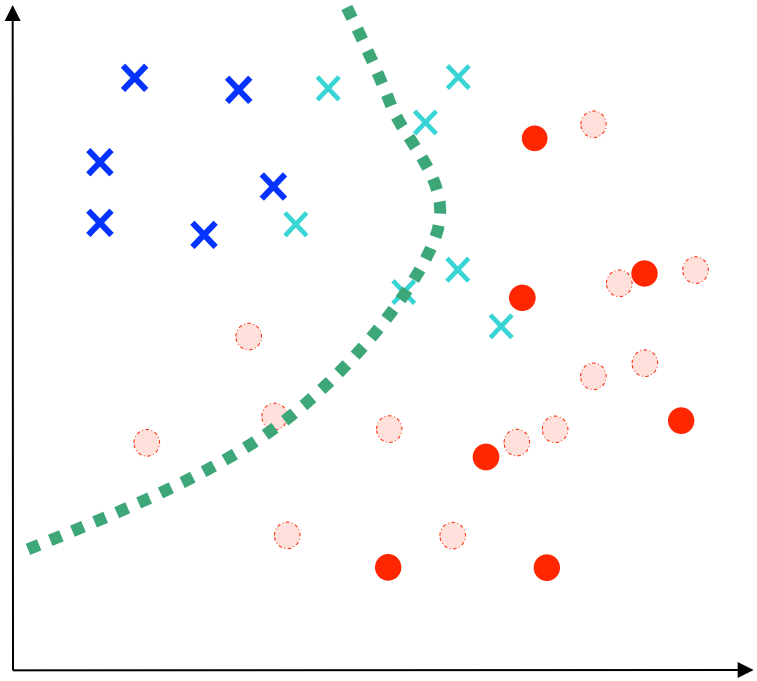

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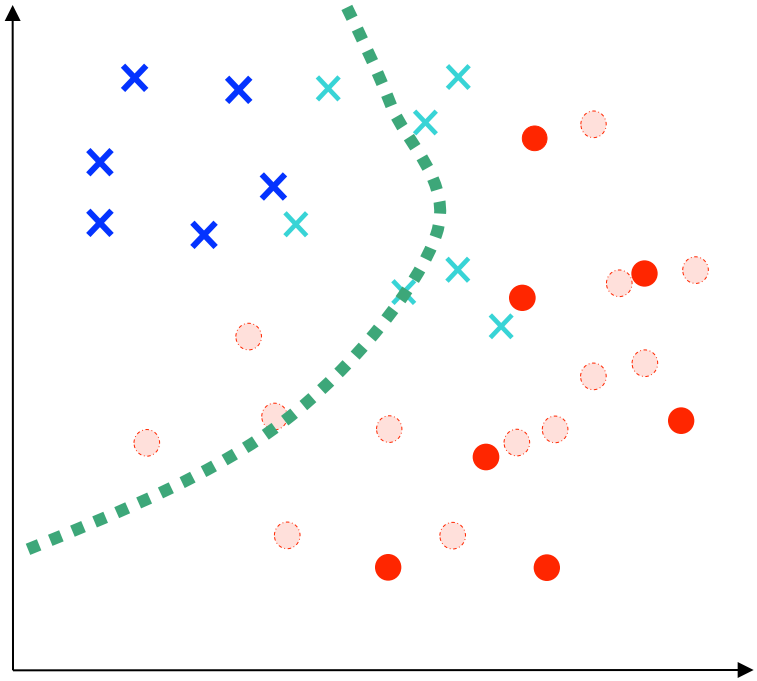

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We didn't have all the data.

We can never assume that we do.

This is called "OVER-FITTING" to the small dataset.

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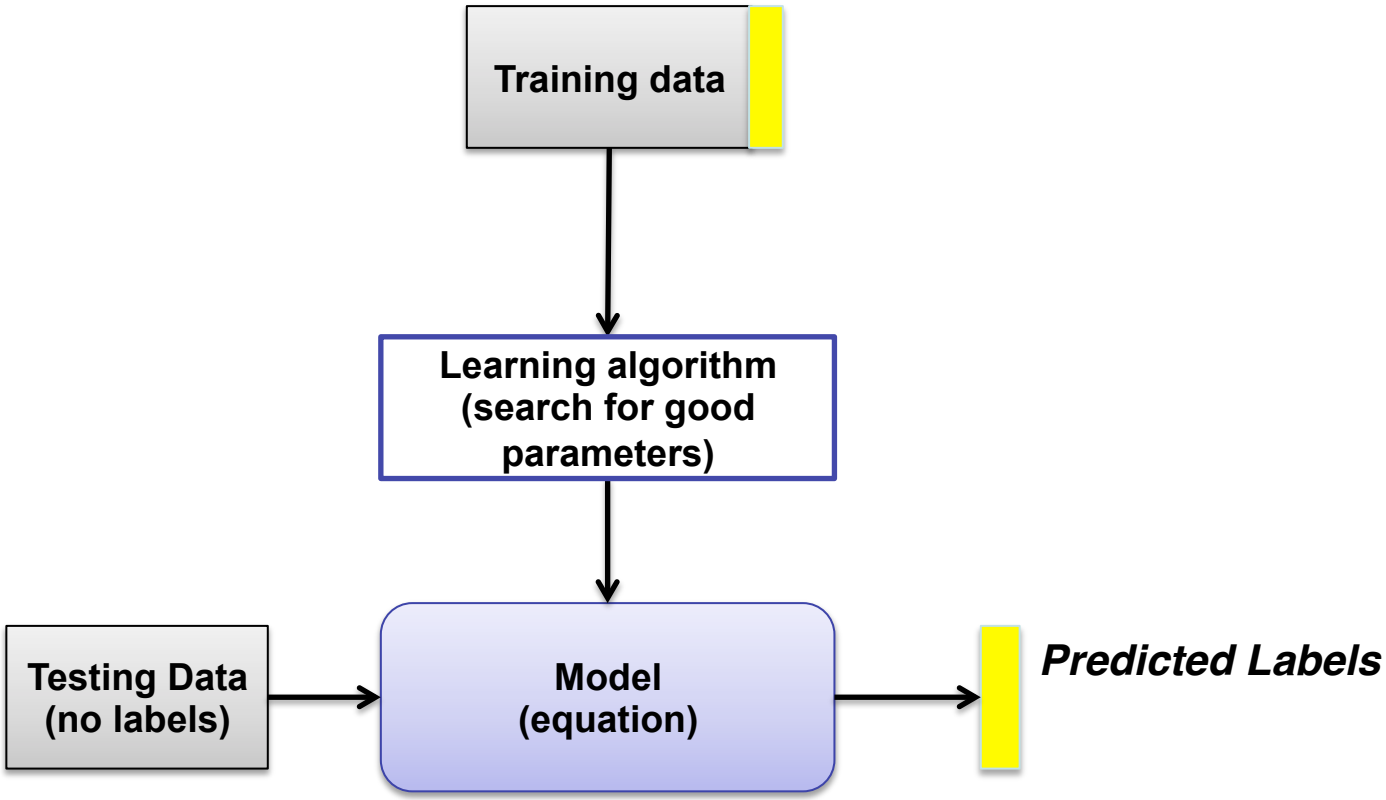
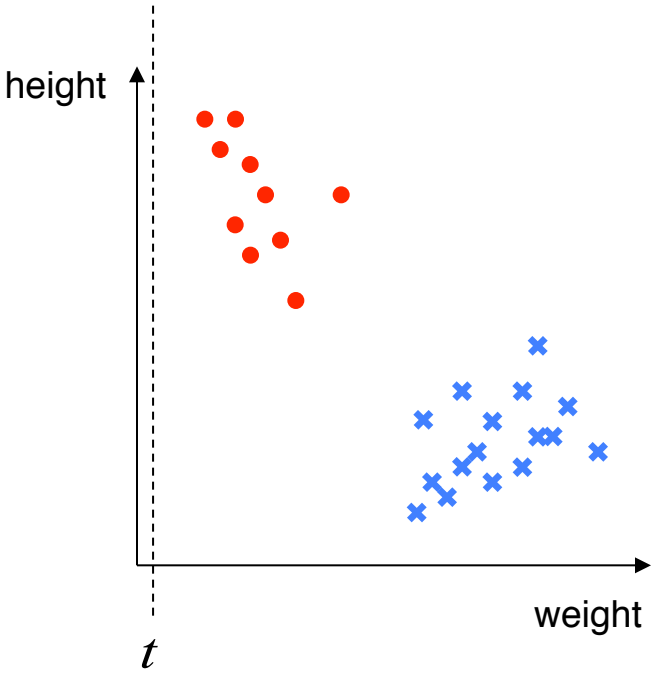
The Linear Classifier

Supervised Learning Pipeline for Linear Classifiers



A more simple, *compact* model?



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What's an algorithm to find a good threshold?

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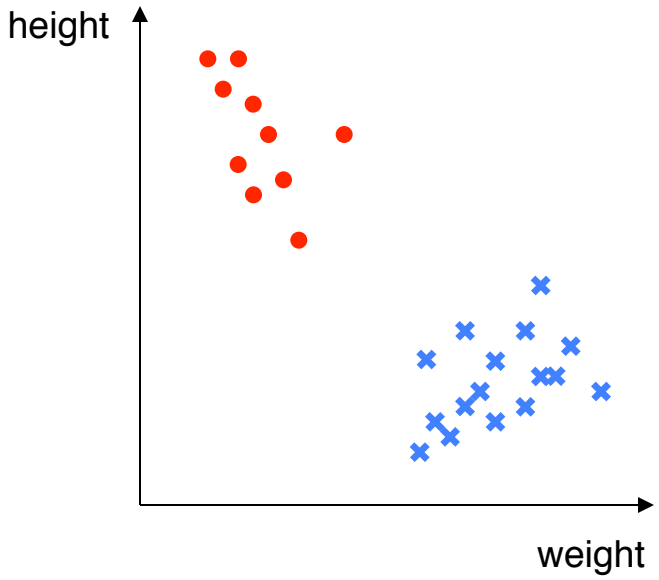

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We have our second Machine Learning procedure.

The threshold classifier (also known as a “Decision Stump”)

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Three “ingredients” of a Machine Learning procedure

“Model”	*The final product, the thing you have to package up and send to a customer. A piece of code with some parameters that need to be set.*
“Error function”	*The performance criterion: the function you use to judge how well the parameters of the model are set.*
“Learning algorithm”	*The algorithm that optimises the model parameters, using the error function to judge how well it is doing.*

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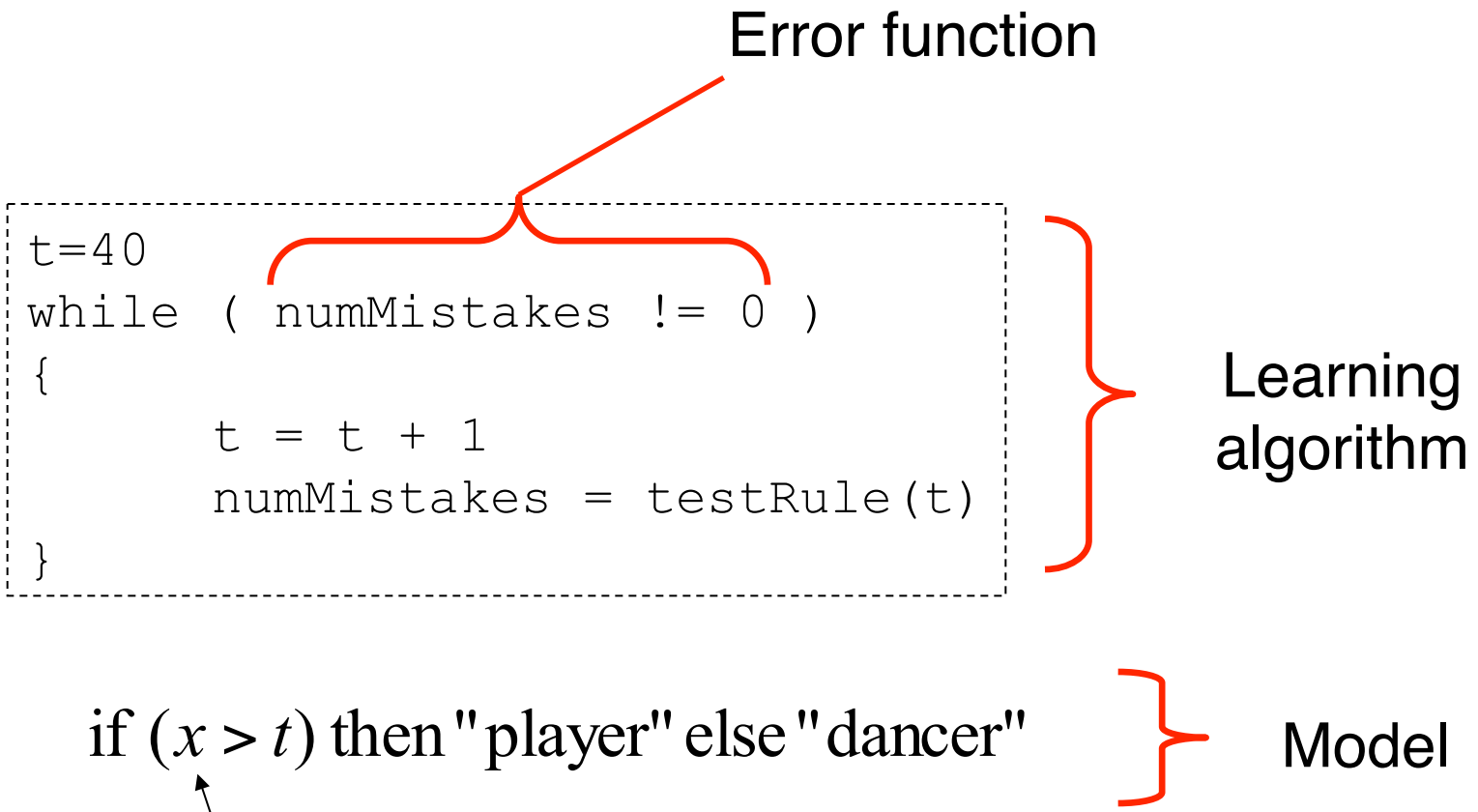

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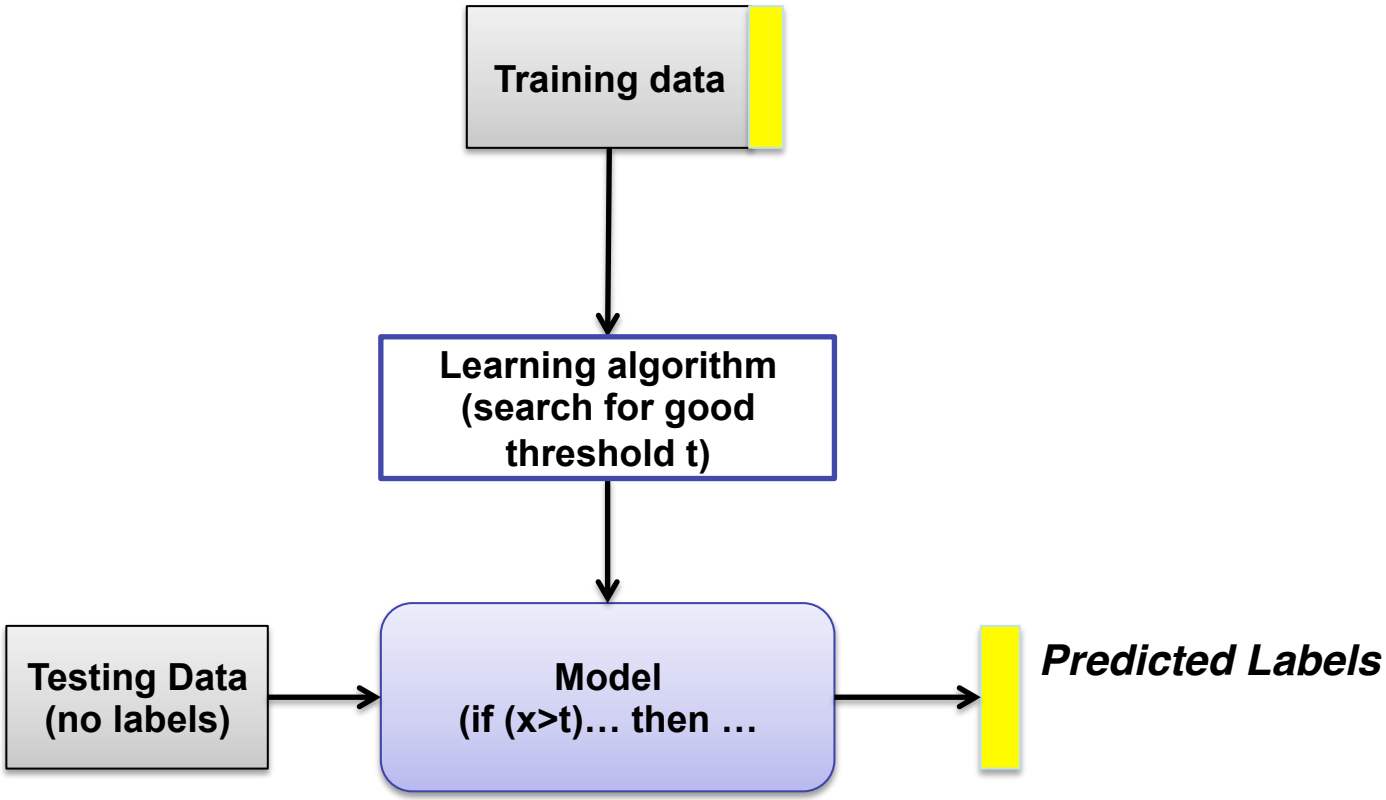

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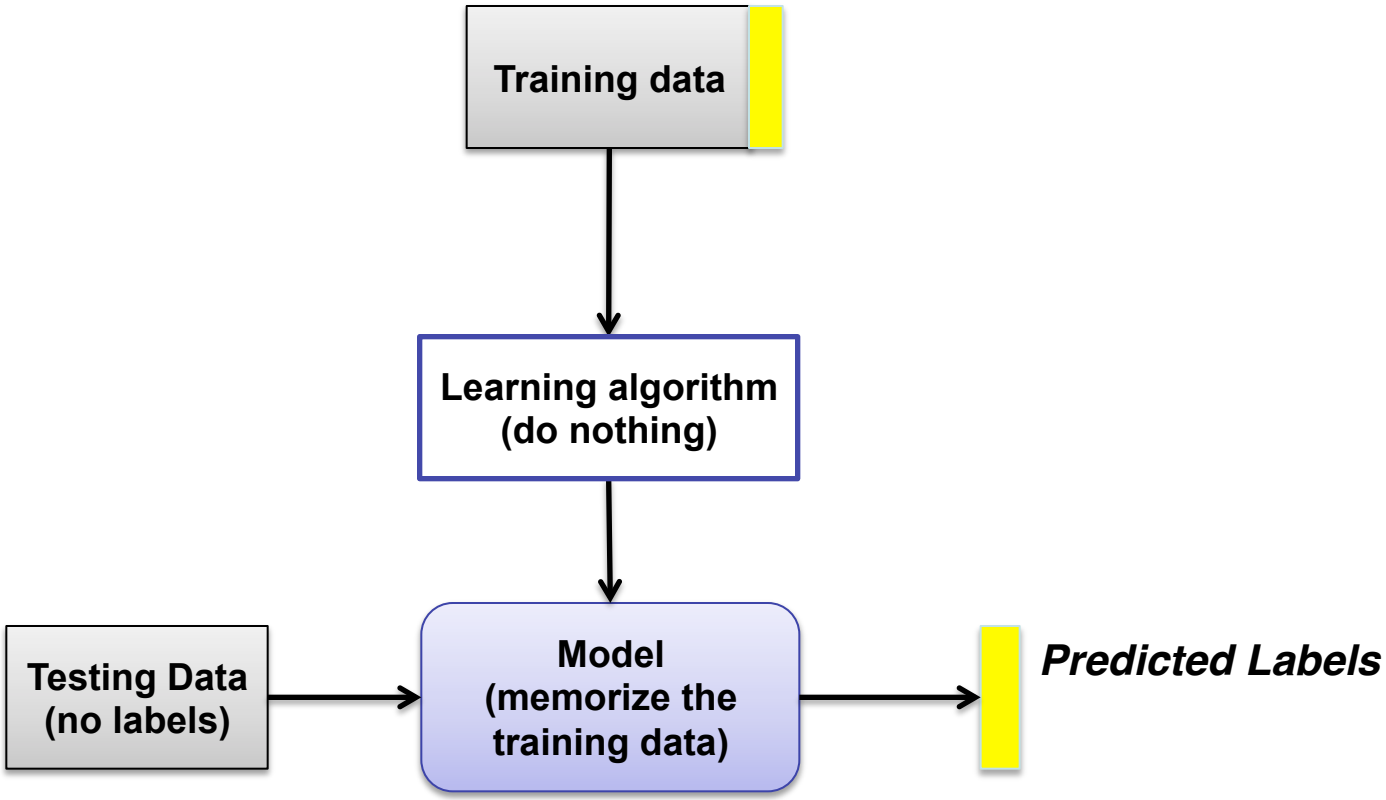
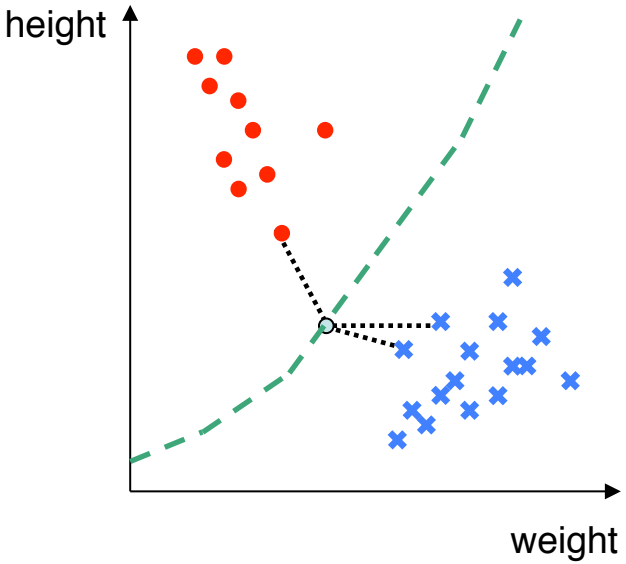


What's the "model" for the Nearest Neighbour classifier?

For the k-nn, the model is the *training data* itself !

- *very good accuracy* ☺
- *very computationally intensive!* ☹

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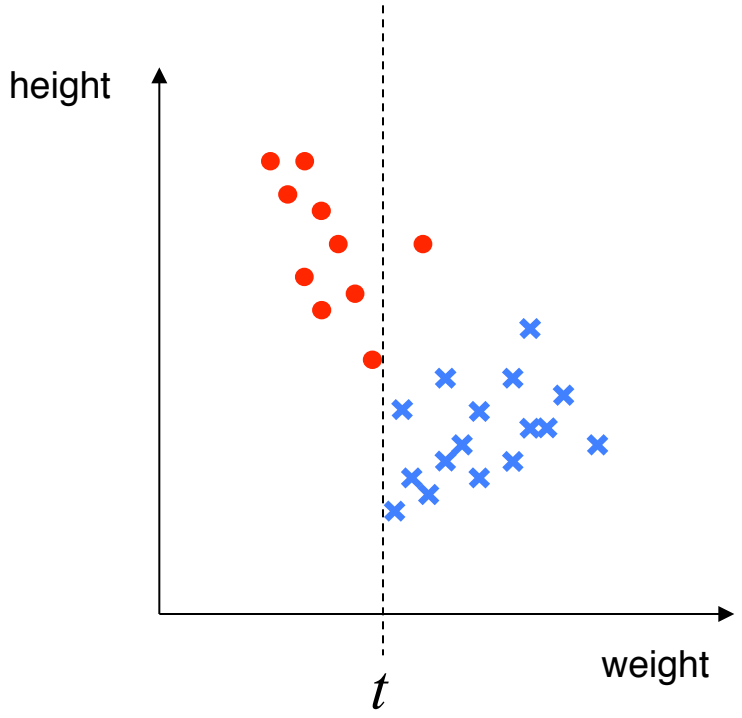

Our model does not match the problem!

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1 mistake…

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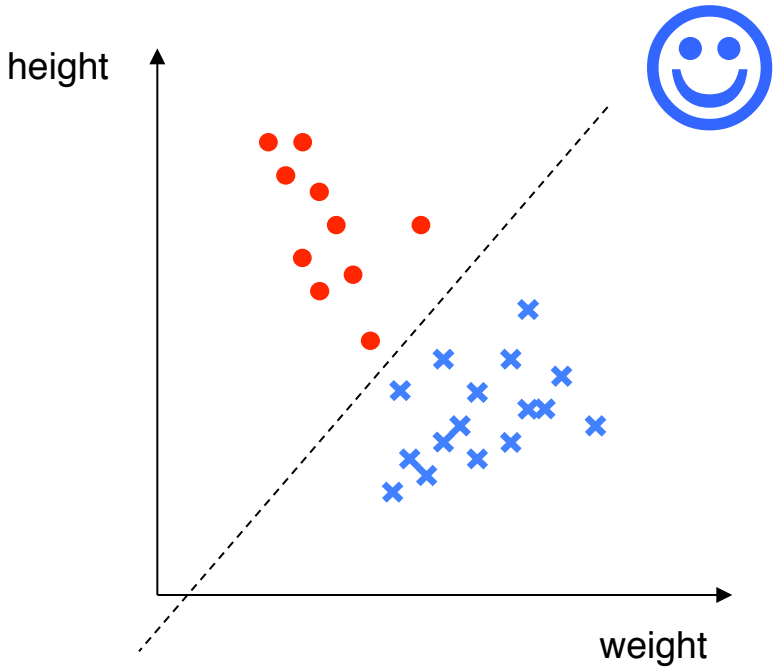

But our current model cannot represent this…

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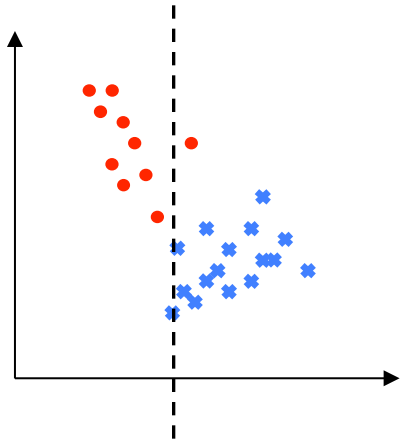
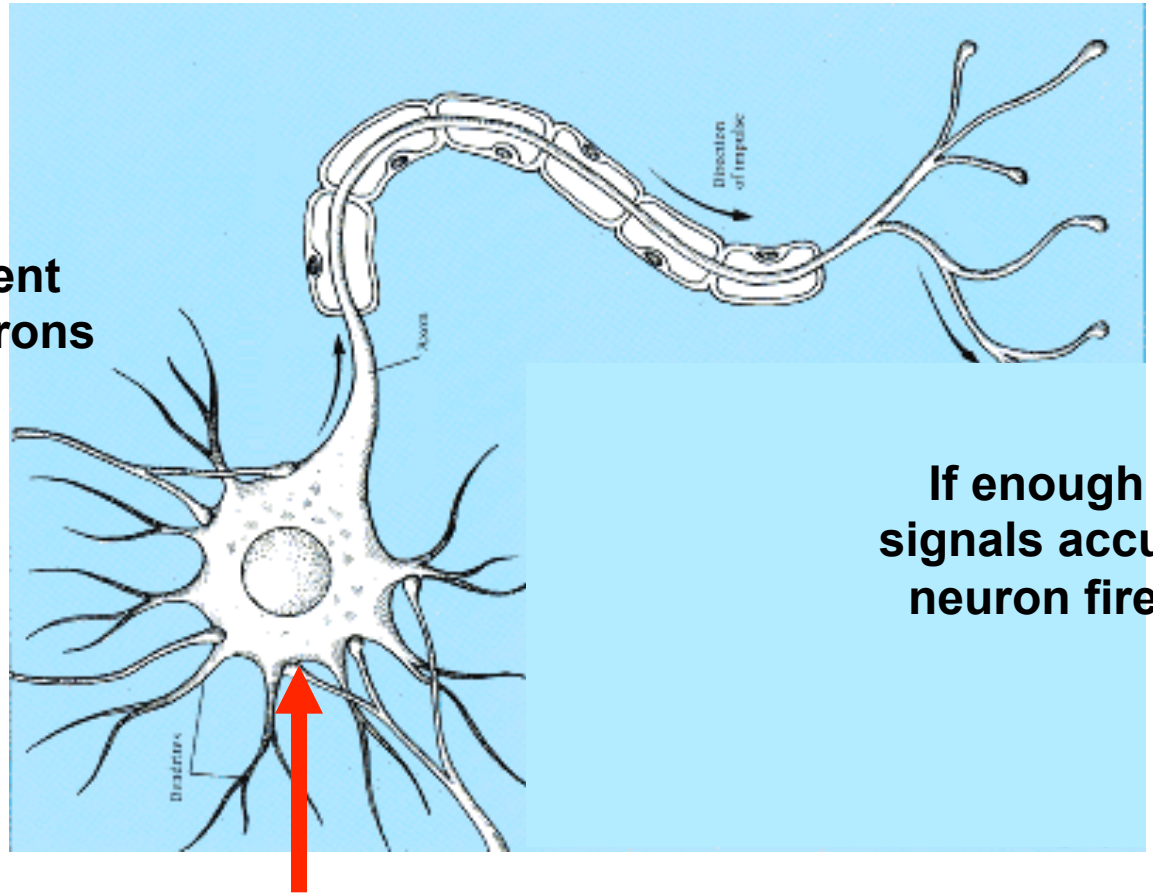
We need a more sophisticated model…

$$\text{if } (x > t) \text{ then "player" else "dancer"}$$



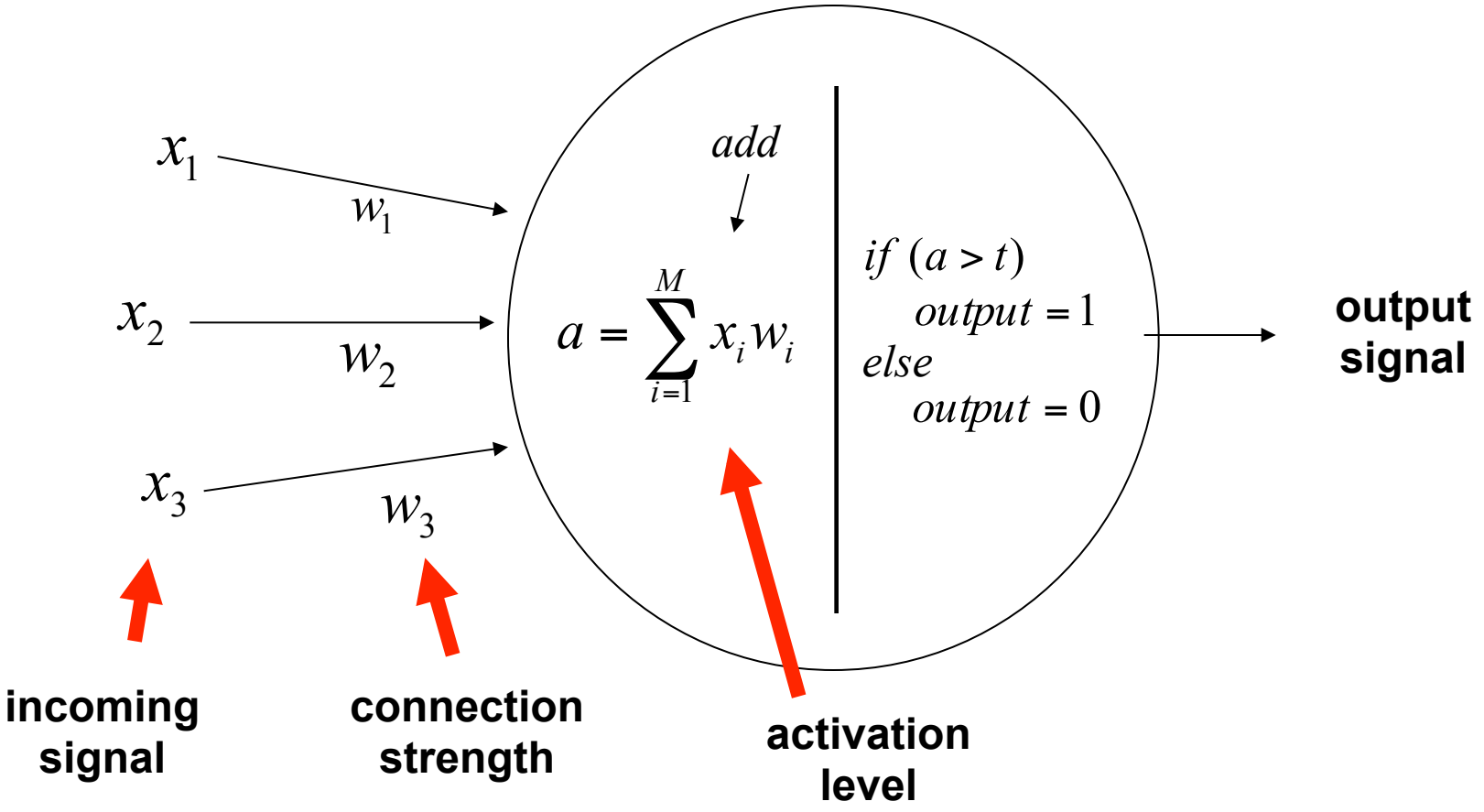
Input signals sent from other neurons



If enough sufficient signals accumulate, the neuron fires a signal.

Connection strengths determine how the signals are accumulated

- input signals ‘x’ and coefficients ‘w’ are multiplied
- weights correspond to connection strengths
- signals are added up – if they are enough, FIRE!



Calculation…

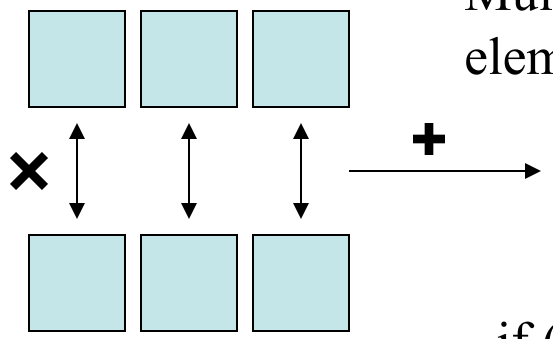
$$a = \sum_{i=1}^{M} x_i w_i$$

Sum notation

(just like a loop from 1 to M)

`double[] x =`

`double[] w =`



`a` (activation)

Multiple corresponding elements and add them up

if (activation > threshold) FIRE !

The Perceptron Decision Rule

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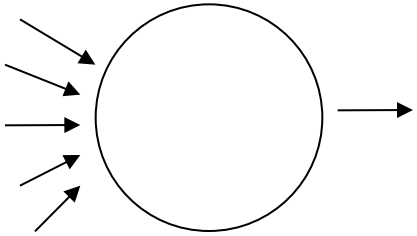

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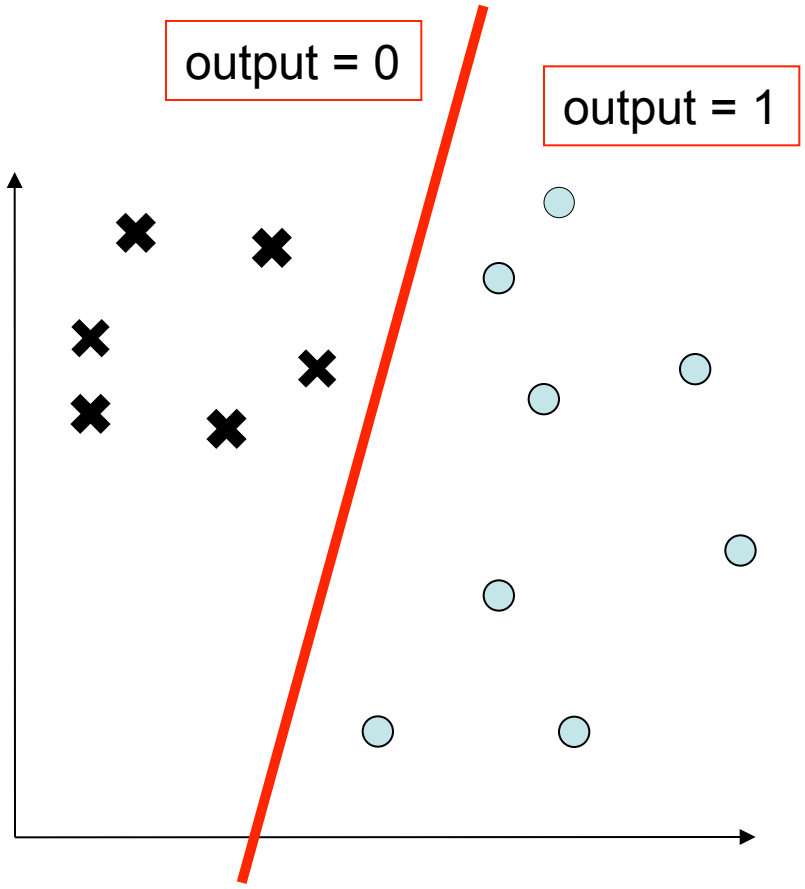
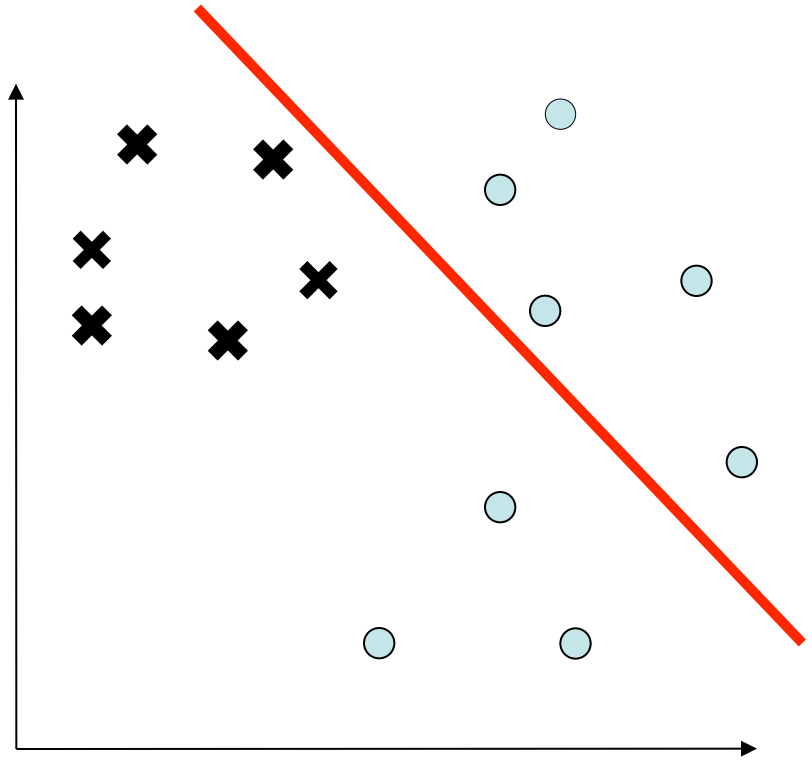


Rugby player = 1
Ballet dancer = 0



Is this a good decision boundary?

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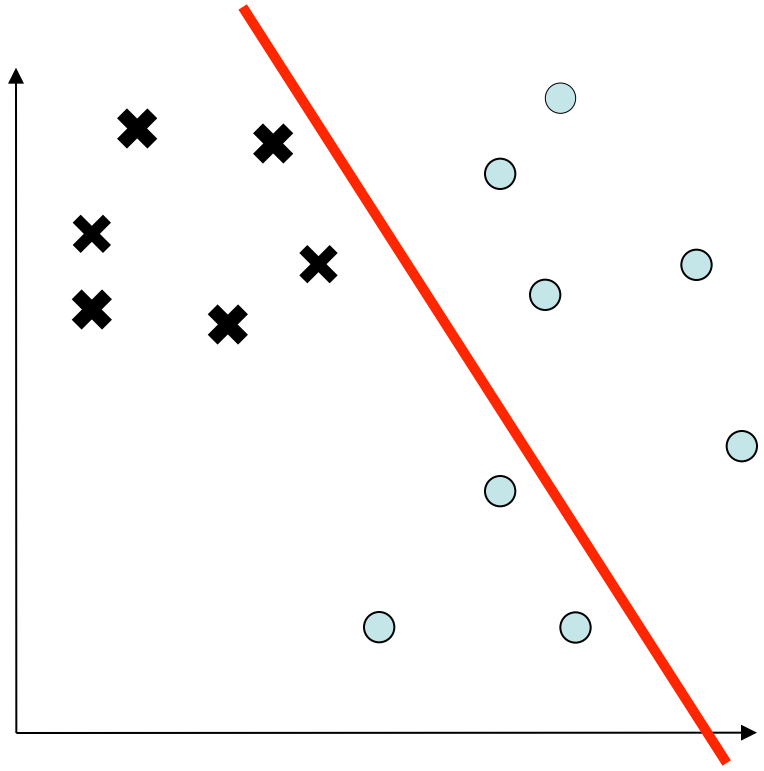

$w_1 = 1.0$

$w_2 = 0.2$

$t = 0.05$

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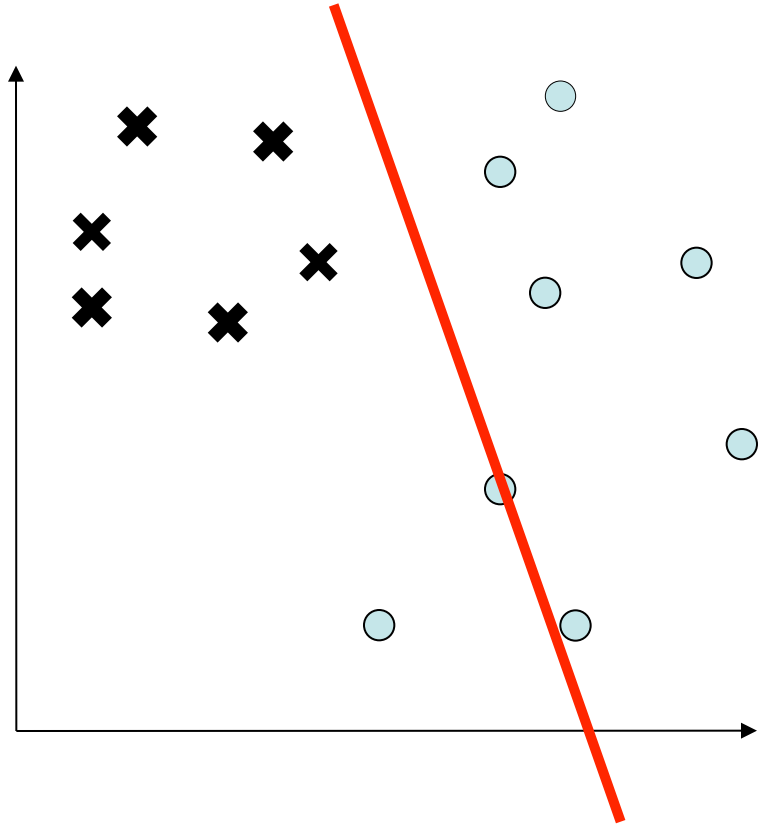

$w_1 = 2.1$

$w_2 = 0.2$

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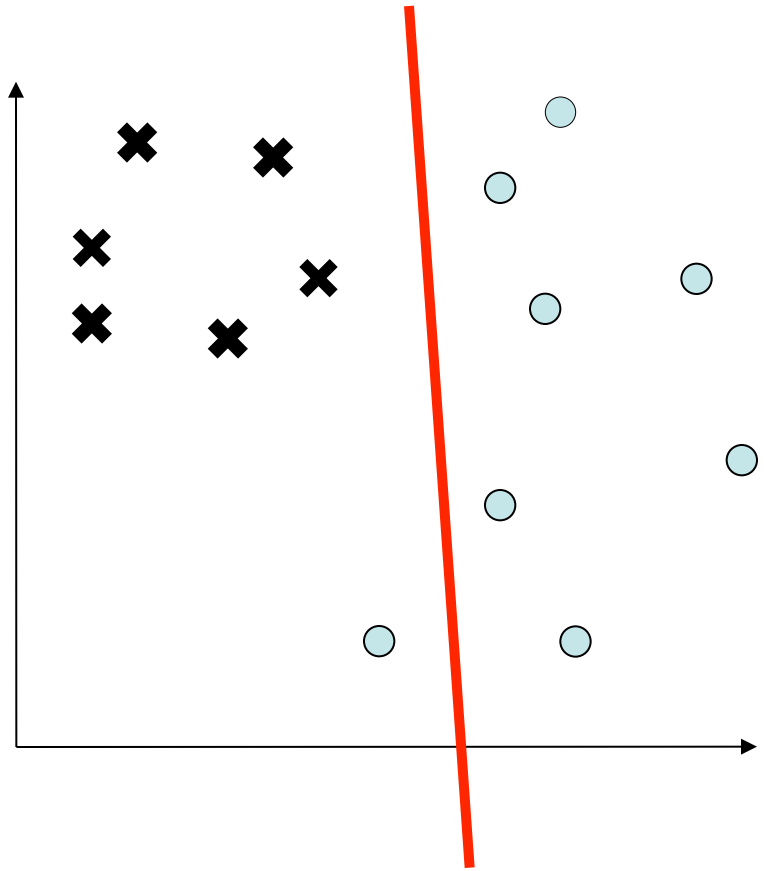

$w_1 = 1.9$

$w_2 = 0.02$

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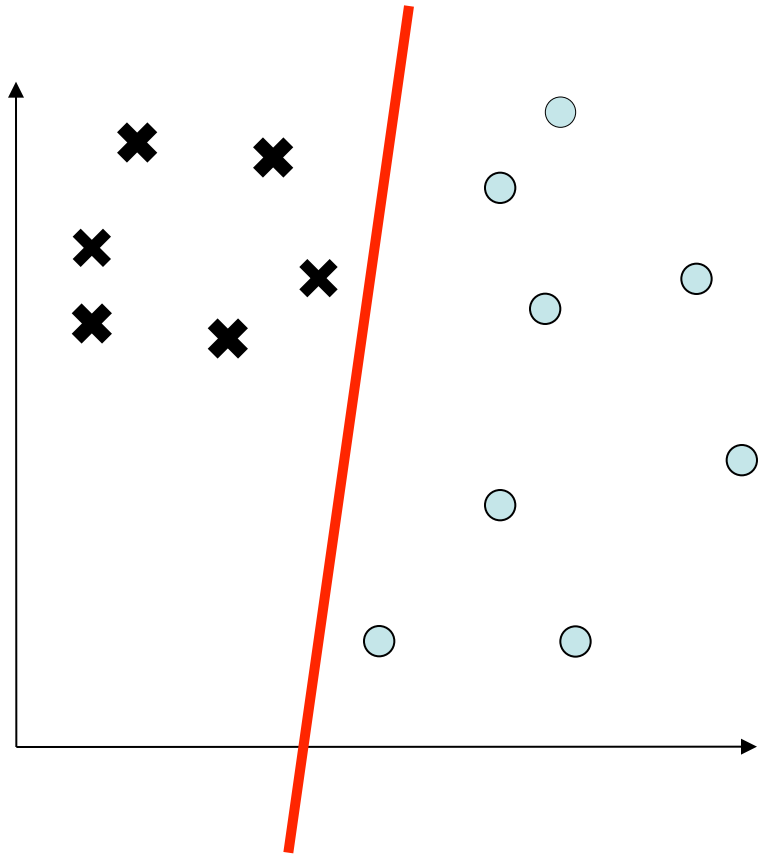

$w_1 = -0.8$

$w_2 = 0.03$

$t = 0.05$

Changing the weights/threshold makes the decision boundary move.

Pointless / impossible to do it by hand – only ok for simple 2-D case.

We need an algorithm….

$$x = [\ 1.0,\ 0.5,\ 2.0\ ]$$

$$w = [\ 0.2,\ 0.5,\ 0.5\ ]$$

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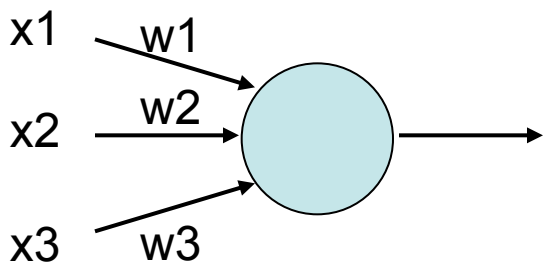

Q1. What is the activation, ***a***, of the neuron?

Q2. Does the neuron fire?

Q3. What if we set threshold at 0.5 and weight #3 to zero?

Take a 20 minute break and think about this.

20 minute break

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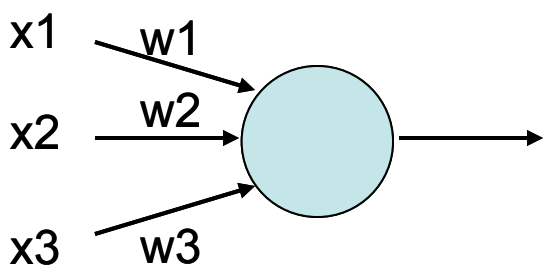

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Q2. Does the neuron fire?

if (activation > threshold) output=1 else output=0

…. So yes, it fires.

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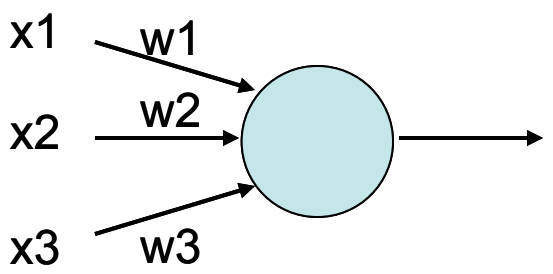

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if (activation > threshold) output=1 else output=0

…. So no, it does not fire..

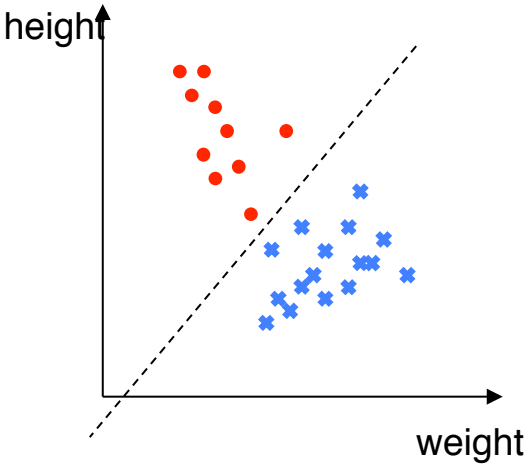
We need a more sophisticated model…

$$\text{if } (weight > t) \text{ then "player" else "dancer"}$$

$$\text{if } (f(\vec{x}) > t) \text{ then "player" else "dancer"}$$

$$x_1 = height\,(cm)$$

$$x_2 = weight\,(kg)$$



The Perceptron

$$f(\vec{x}) = (w_1 * x_1) + (w_2 * x_2)$$

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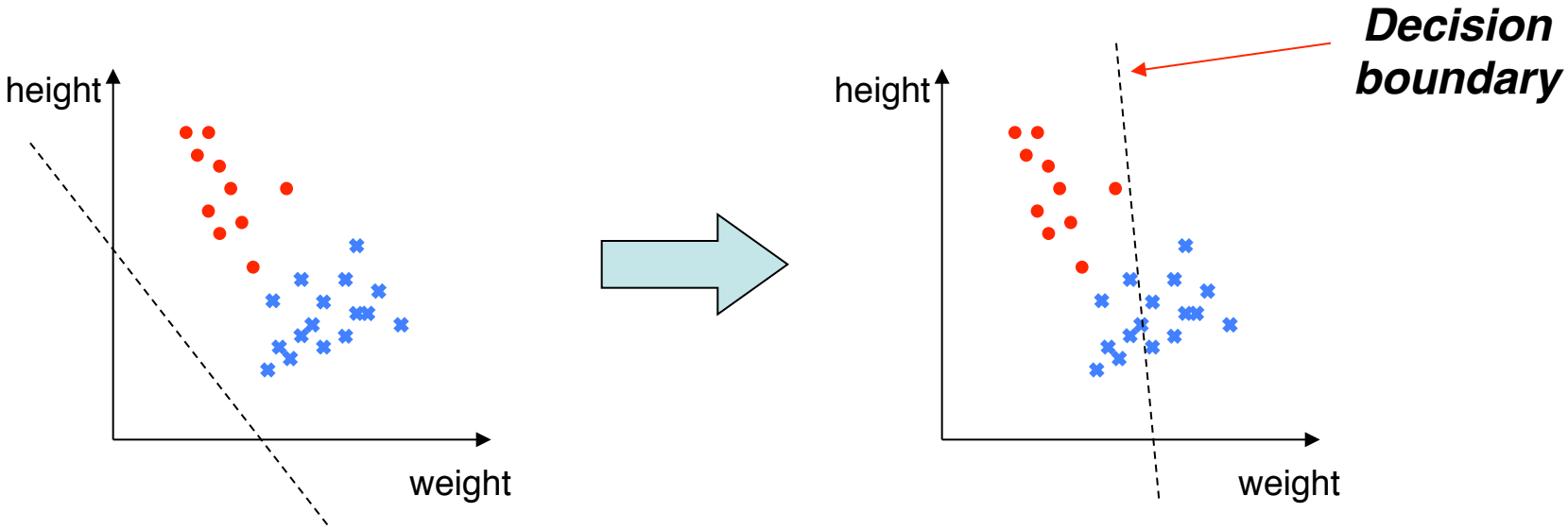


w_1, w_2 **and** t **change the position of the DECISION BOUNDARY**

The Perceptron

Model

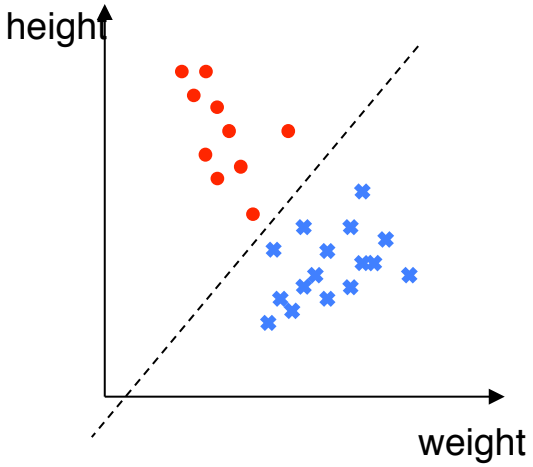
$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^{d} w_i x_i > t \text{ then } \hat{y} = 1 \text{ else } \hat{y} = 0 \qquad \begin{cases} \text{"player"} = 1 \\ \text{"dancer"} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Error function

$$\text{Number of mistakes} \quad (\text{a.k.a. classification error})$$

Learning algo.

$$???\ldots. \text{need to optimise the } w \text{ and } t \text{ values...}$$



Perceptron Learning Rule

$$\text{new weight} = \text{old weight} + \underbrace{0.1 \times (\text{trueLabel} - \text{output}) \times \text{input}}_{\textit{update}}$$

What weight updates do these cases produce?

if… (**target = 0**, **output = 0**) …. then update = ?

if… (**target = 0**, **output = 1**) …. then update = ?

if… (**target = 1**, **output = 0**) …. then update = ?

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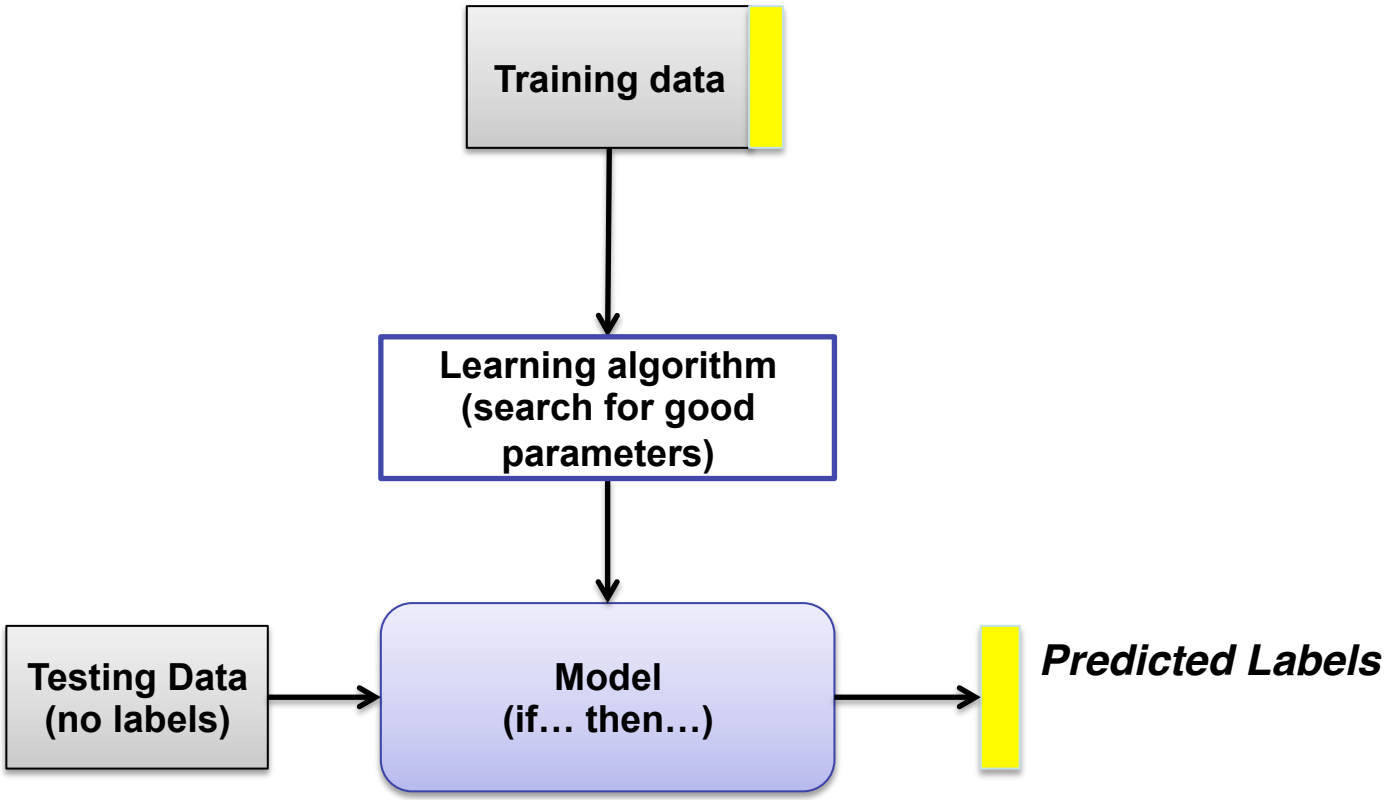
Learning algorithm for the Perceptron

```
initialise weights to random numbers in range -1 to +1
for n = 1 to NUM_ITERATIONS
        for each training example (x,y)
                calculate activation
                for each weight
                        update weight by learning rule
                end
        end
end
```

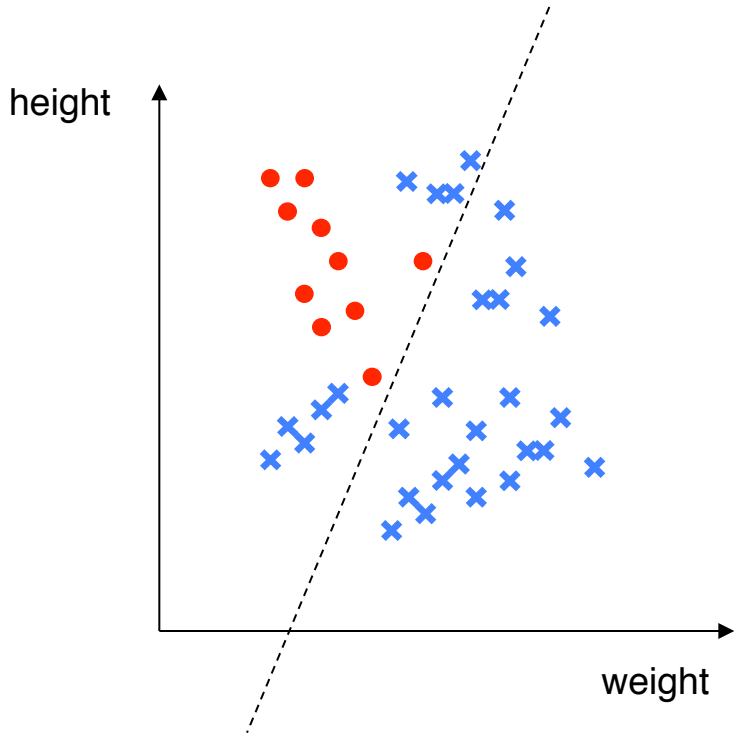
Perceptron convergence theorem:

If the data is linearly separable, then application of the Perceptron learning rule will find a separating decision boundary, within a finite number of iterations

Supervised Learning Pipeline for Perceptron



New data…. *"non-linearly separable"*



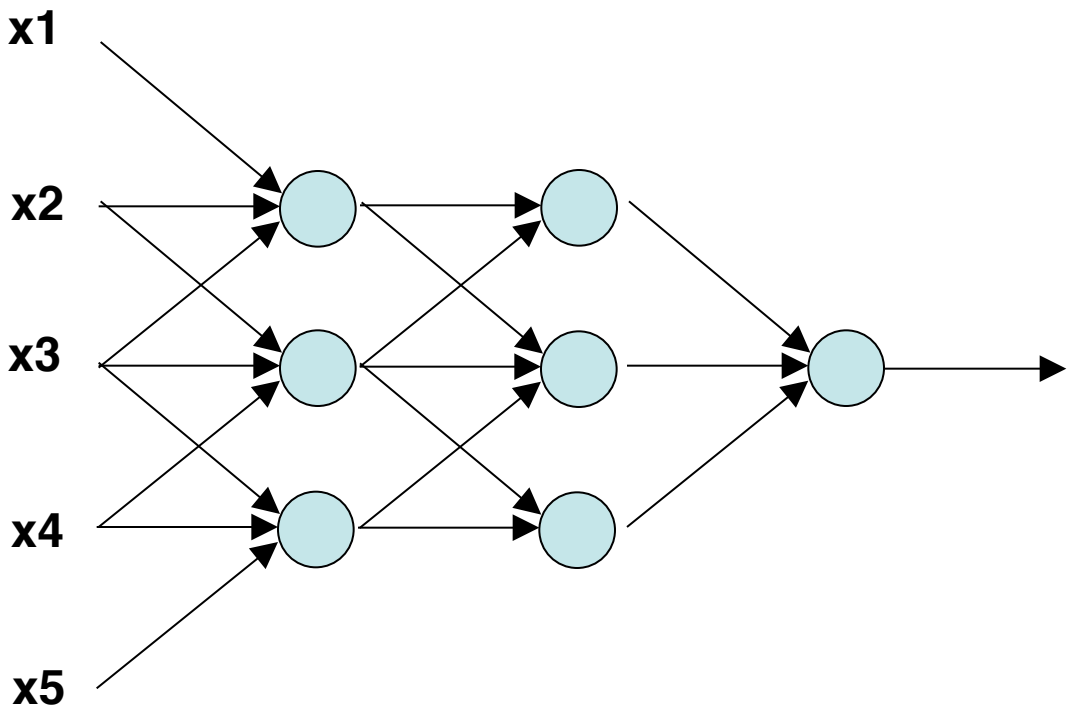
Our model does not match the problem!

(AGAIN!)

$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^{d} w_i x_i > t \text{ then "player" else "dancer"}$$

Many mistakes!

Multilayer Perceptron

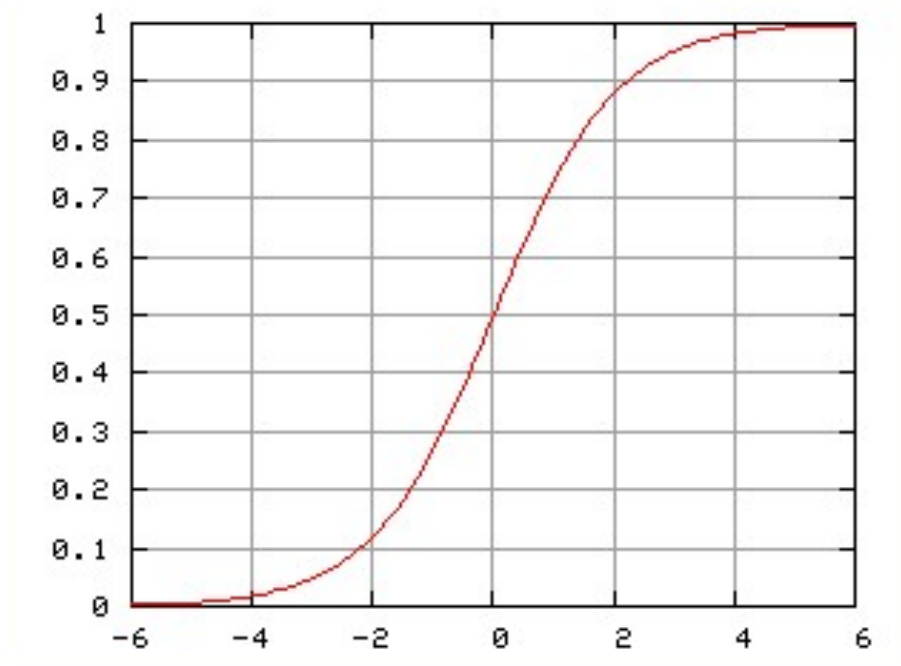


Sigmoid activation – no more thresholds needed ☺

~~$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^{d} w_i x_i > t \text{ then } \hat{y} = 1 \text{ else } \hat{y} = 0$~~

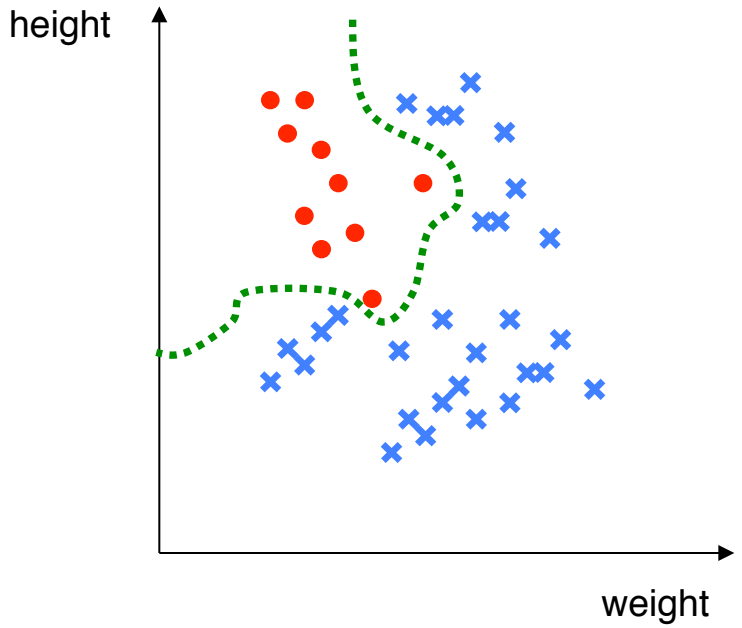
$$a = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\sum_{i=1}^{d} w_i x_i)}$$

activation level



$$\sum_{i=1}^{d} w_i x_i$$

MLP decision boundary – nonlinear problems, solved!



Neural Networks - summary

Perceptrons are a (simple) emulation of a neuron.

Layering perceptrons gives you… a multilayer perceptron.
An MLP is one type of neural network – there are others.

An MLP with sigmoid activation functions can solve highly nonlinear problems.

Downside – we cannot use the simple perceptron learning algorithm.

Instead we have the "backpropagation" algorithm.

This is outside the scope of this introductory course.