# Neural Networks





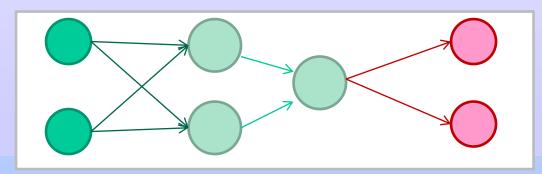


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#### **What Is Neural Networks?**

- Consists of simple operation elements operating in parallel
  - Elements are inspired by biological nervous systems
  - Network function is determined by the connections between elements
- A neural network is trained to perform a particular function
  - Adjust the values of the connections (weights) between elements
    - Based on a comparison of the output and the target, until the network output matches the target
  - Many such input/target pairs are needed to train a network
    - ◆ Training data set

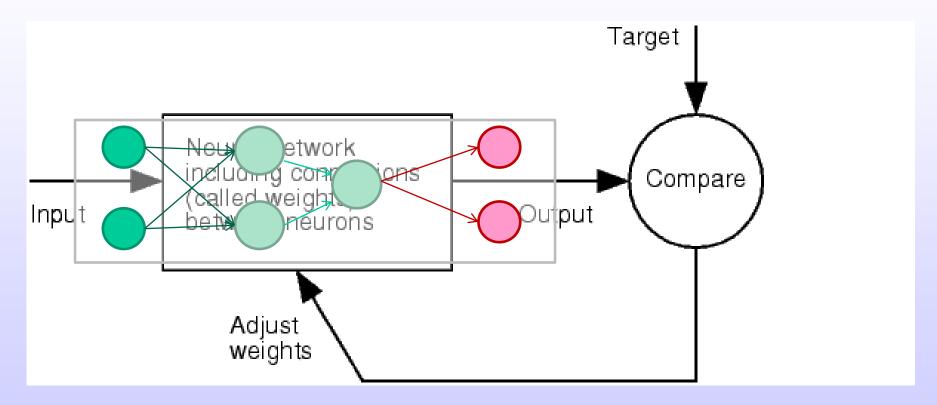




## **Neural Networks**

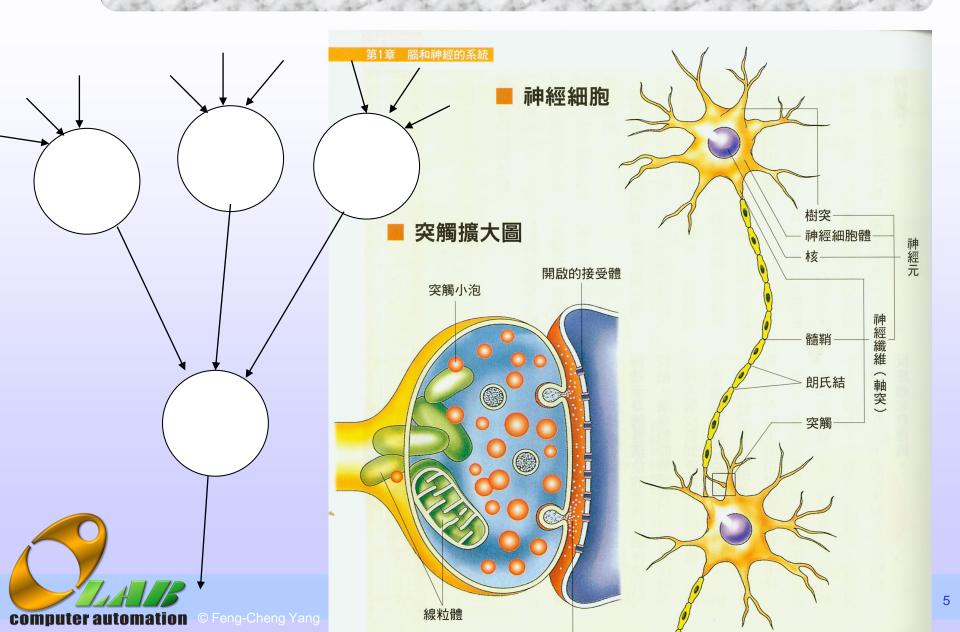
- **†** Topics
  - Introduction
  - Perception
  - Adaline
  - Backpropagation MLPs
  - Discussion







# **Biological Neuron and Artificial Neuron**



## Supervised NN

- Supervised training methods
  - Batch training
    - Change weight and bias based on an entire set (batch) of input vectors
  - Incremental training
    - Change the weights and biases after each individual input vector
    - On line training
    - Adaptive training
  - Application fields
    - ◆Pattern recognition, identification, classification, speech, vision, and control system
  - Solve problems that are difficult for conventional computers or human beings
    - Engineering, financial, and other practical applications.



## **Unsupervised NN**

- Unsupervised training techniques
  - Identify groups of data
- Direct design methods
  - Training is not required
  - Certain kinds of linear networks and Hopfield networks



## History

- History of some seven decades
  - Solid application only in the past thirty years
  - The field turns to deep learning now from 2010
- McCulloch an Pitts (1943)
  - A biological brain neuron model
- Hebb (1949)
  - Learning rule
- Rosenblatt (1957,1962)
  - Perceptron; the first neural network model
  - Delta rule (LMS, Least Mean Square rule)
- **Widrow** (1960)
  - Adaline (Adaptive Linear Element)
- Minsky and Papert (1969)
  - Book "Perceptrons": kills the NN research
  - **10-15 blackness years (for supervised NNs)**

- Grossberg (1972)
  - ART (Adaptive Resonance Theory) NN
- **%** Kohonen (1978)
  - SOM (Self-Organizing Map) NN
- **#** Hopfield (1982)
  - HNN, Hopfield NN
- **#** Hinton (1984)
  - Boltzmann machine
- Hopfield and Tank (1985)
  - HTN, Hopfield-Tank NN for optimization



- Rumelhart (1985)
  - BPN, Back Propagation NN
  - Generalized Delta Rule
- Grossberg (1988)
  - ART2
- ICNN, International Conference on NN (1988)
- Specht (1988)
  - PNN, Probabilistic NN
- **%** Kohonen (1988)
  - LVQ, Learning Vector Quantization NN
- Den Bout and Miller (1988)
  - ANN, Annealed NN

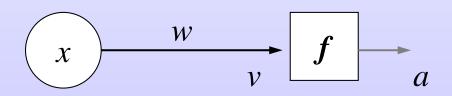
- Cortes and Vapnik (1995)
  - Support-Vector network
- LeCun and Bengio (1995)
  - Convolutional networks
    - ◆A special MLP
- **2010-**
  - Deep neural networks
  - Deep Learning



#### **Neuron Model**

#### Simple Neuron without bias

- A neuron with a single scalar input and no bias
- Input x is transmitted through a connection that multiplies its strength by the scalar weight w to form the product wx

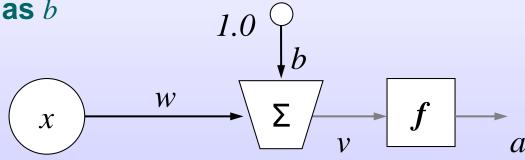


$$a = f(wx) = f(v)$$



## **Simple Neurons**

- Simple Neuron with bias
  - Bias can be added to the product wx
  - Bias is much like a weight, except that it has a constant input of 1
  - Net *v* is the sum of the weighted input *wx* and the bias *b*



$$a = f(wx+b) = f(v)$$

## **Transfer Function and Parameters**

- Transfer function (Activation function)
  - A step function or a sigmoid function
  - The only input is the net value
  - **■** Takes the argument *v* and produces the output *a*
- Adjustable scalar parameters of the neuron
  - Weights *w* and bias *b*
  - Adjusted so that the network exhibits some desired or interesting behavior
  - One can train the network to do a particular job
    - Adjusting the weight or bias parameters



# **Supervised Learning Neural Networks**

- Problems with known desired input-output data sets
- Adjustable parameters
- Has a supervised learning rule
- Supervised Learning or Mapping networks



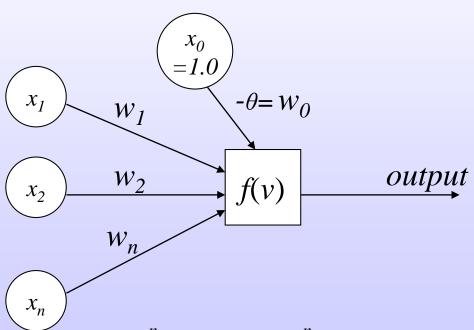
#### **Perceptrons**

- Designed by Rosenblatt (1962)
  - The earliest neural model
  - For pattern recognition (data classification)
  - Single neuron layer and an input layer
    - ◆Input layer is "feature detectors"
    - Neurons classify the given input patterns
  - Derived from a biological brain neuron model
    - ◆McCulloch and Pitts (1943)



## **Learning Method of Perceptron**

Adjust the relevant connection strengths (weights)  $w_i$  and a threshold value  $\theta$ 



$$v = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i x_i - \theta = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i x_i + w_0 x_0 = \sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i, \quad x_0 = 1$$

## **Perceptron**

- **Value**  $x_i$  is usually either binary (0,1) or bipolar (-1,1)
  - $\mathbf{x}_i = 1$ , active or excitatory
  - $x_i = 0$  or -1, inactive or inhibitory
- $\bullet$  Value  $x_i$  can be real number in perceptrons
  - Classification
  - A hyper plane
- Output is a linear threshold element



## Perceptron

- f(.) is the activation (transfer) function
  - A signum function (for bipolar output )
  - A hard-limit transfer function

$$f(v) = \operatorname{sgn}(v) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } v > 0 \\ -1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- A step function (for binary output)
- A hard-limit transfer function

$$f(v) = \text{step}(v) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } v > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Perceptron Wrongly Correctly **Current Weights** classified (v>0): classified (v **Update Negative** no update Wrongly classified (v<0): **True Separation Line Update Positive** V < 0Correctly V>0classified (v>0):

no update

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## **Basic Learning algorithm**

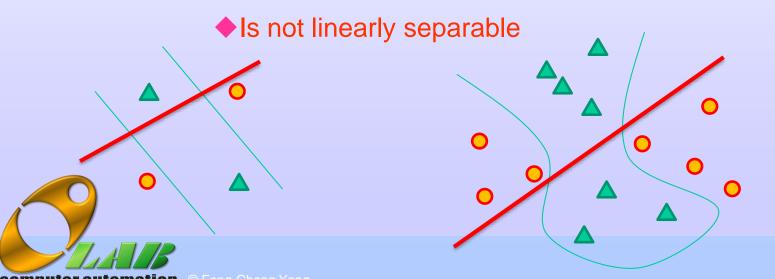
- 1. Randomly assign weights and biases
- 2. Select an input vector x with known output
- 3. Compute the computed output from the NN
  - If the output is incorrect, modify all connection weights (including the bias)  $w_i$
  - Applying a learning rate to reduce the update amounts
- 4. Continue Steps 2 and 3 until no weight modifications sustained for all the input vectors



Points  $(x_1, x_2)$  are separated by line  $L(x_1, x_2) = w_1^* x_1 + w_2^* x_2 + w_0^* = 0$ , and with output value  $y = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } L(x_1, x_2) > 0 \\ 0, & L(x_1, x_2) \le 0 \end{cases}$  $v = \sum_{i=0}^{n} w_i x_i, f(v) = \text{step}(v) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } v > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } v \le 0 \end{cases},$  $w_i = w_i + \Delta w_i = w_i + \eta (y - f(v)) x_i,$  $y-f(v) = \begin{cases} 1-1=0 \text{ or } 0-0=0, \text{if the training point } \mathbf{x} \\ \text{is correctly classified;} \\ 1-0=1, \text{ wrongly classified with } v<0 \\ 0-1=-1, \text{ wrongly classified } v>0 \end{cases}$ 

## **Basic Learning algorithm**

- Roughly based on gradient descent
- Perceptron convergence theorem
  - Proved by Rosenblatt (1962)
- Limitation
  - Classification must be linear separable
  - Can not deal with the Exclusive-OR Problem

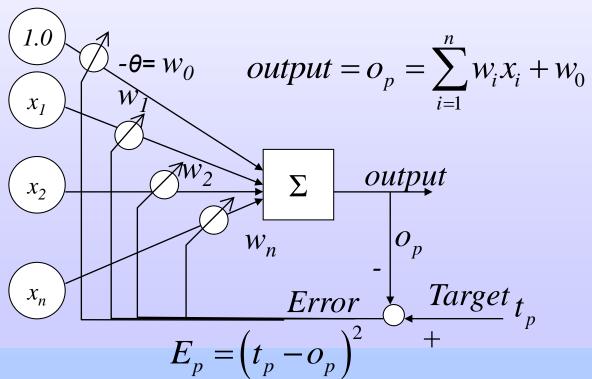


## **Limitations of Perceptrons**

- Single layer perceptron
  - A principal NN component
  - Non-differentiability of the hard-limiter activation function
    - Signum and step functions
  - **■** The learning strategy is not obvious
- Lack of suitable training methods
  - From 1960s to1980s, until ...
- Backpropagation training method for MLPs
  - Rumelhart et al. (1986)

#### **ADALINE**

- Adaptive Linear Element (Adaline)
  - By Widrow and Hoff (1960)
  - A classical example of the simplest intelligent self-learning system



- $\clubsuit$  A linear model with n+1 linear parameters
- Learning method
  - The best method: the least-squares methods
    - All points are subject to computing errors
    - Error minimization algorithm is required
    - ◆Tradeoff: extensive computation
  - Widrow and Hoff introduced "Delta Rule" for adjusting the weights

$$E_{p} = \left(t_{p} - o_{p}\right)^{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial E_{p}}{\partial w_{i}} = -2\left(t_{p} - o_{p}\right) \frac{d\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_{i} x_{i} + w_{0}\right)}{dw_{i}} = -2\left(t_{p} - o_{p}\right) x_{i}$$

 $\clubsuit$  Decrease  $E_p$  to descent the error,

$$\Delta_p w_i = -k \frac{\partial E_p}{\partial w_i} = \eta \left( t_p - o_p \right) x_i$$

- Delta Rule
  - Minimize squared errors for a single input
  - Widrow-Hoff Learning Rule
    - Simplicity
    - Distributed learning
    - Support on-line learning (pattern-by-pattern)

#### **Adaline and Madaline**

- Adaline+delta rule
  - **1960s**
  - Suitable for simple hardware implementation
- Two or more Adaline components are integrated
  - Used for adaptive noise cancellation
  - Adaptive inverse control

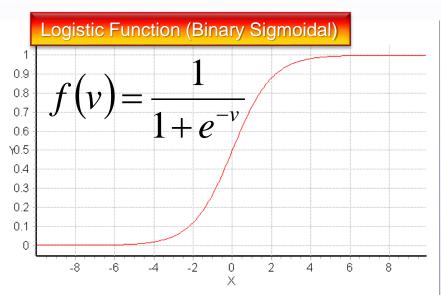


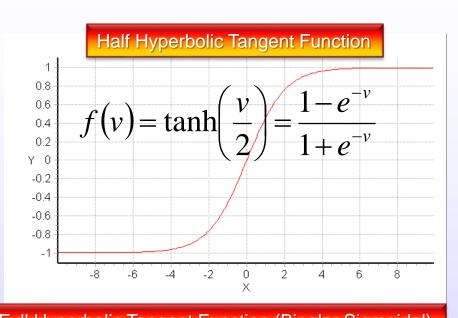
## A Backpropagation MLP

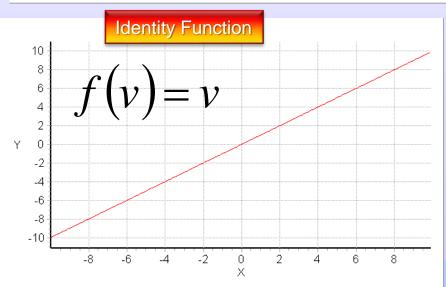
- MLP (Multiple Layer Perceptron)
- Node (Neuron) function
  - A composite of the weighted sum and a differentiable nonlinear activation function
- Three of the most commonly used activation functions
  - Logistic function, Hyperbolic tangent function, Identity function



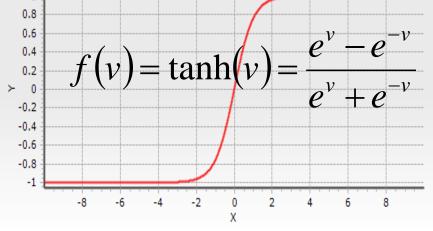
## **Transfer Functions for Back Propagation MLPs**

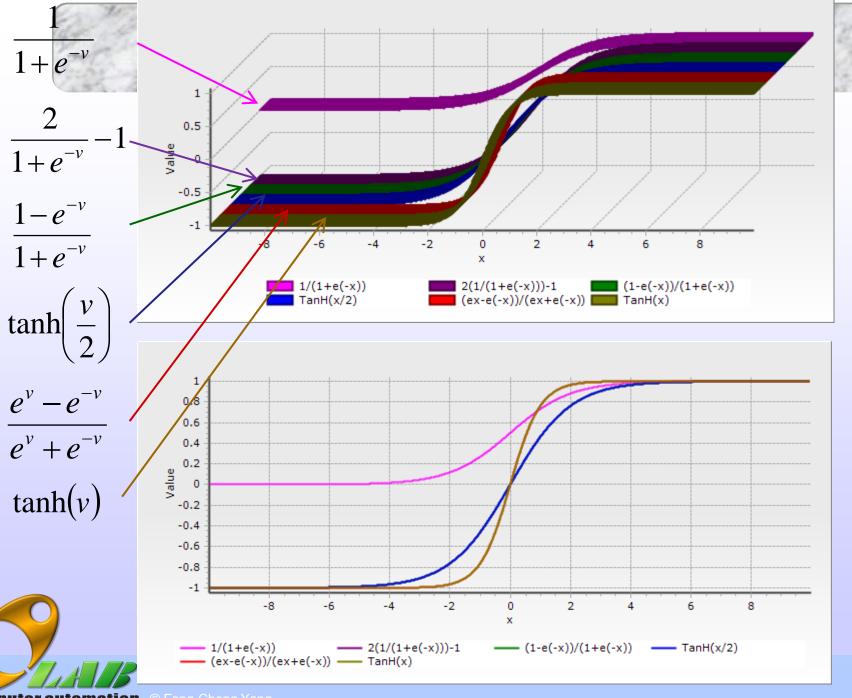










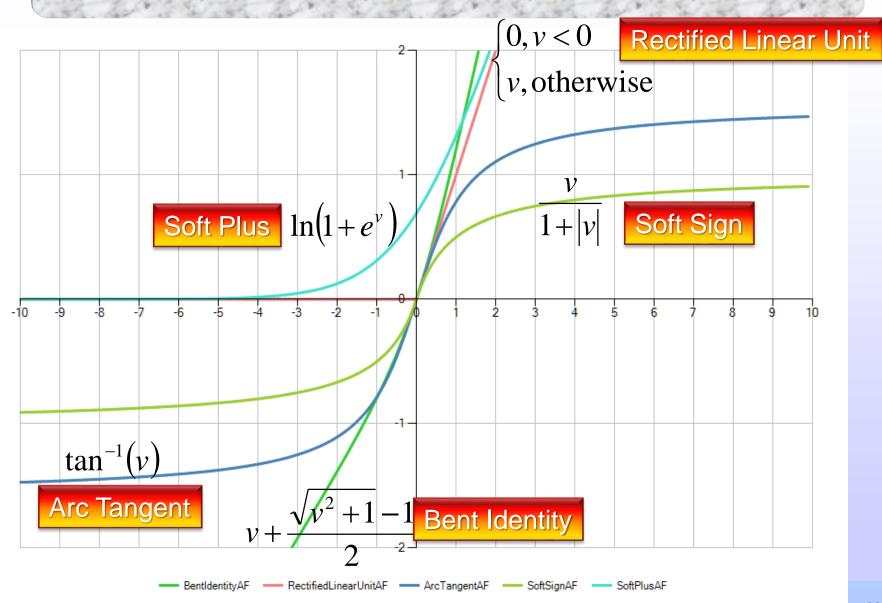


#### Logistic and Hyperbolic tangent functions

- Approximate the signum and step functions
- Smooth, nonzero derivatives with respect to input signals
- Referred to as "Squashing Functions"
- Also called "Sigmoidal Functions"
  - ◆Hyperbolic tangent → Bipolar sigmoidal
  - ◆Logistic → Binary sigmoidal
- Identity function
  - Continuous valued function not limited to [0,1] or [-1,1]
  - No squashing function
  - Linear node

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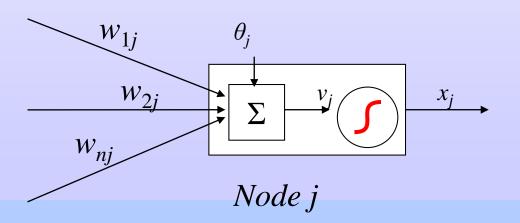
# **Transfer Functions in Deep Learning NNs**



# **Backpropagation Learning Rule**

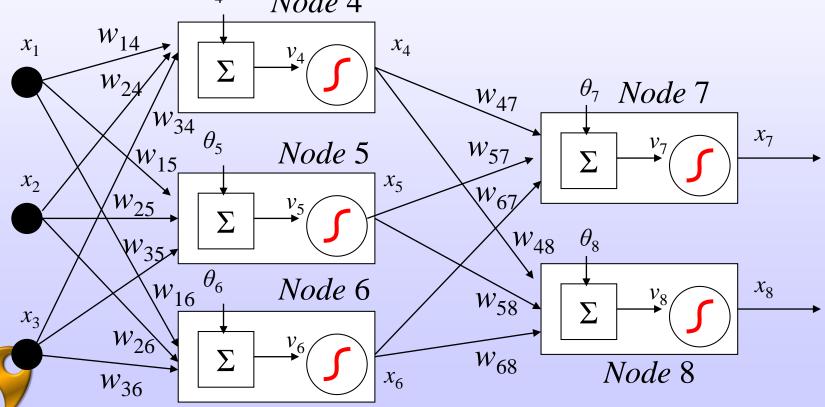
- Assume logistic transfer function is used
- ♣ A net input v of a node is defined as the weighted sum of the incoming signals plus a bias

$$v_{j} = \sum_{i} w_{ij} x_{i} + \theta_{j}, \quad x_{j} = f(v_{j}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v_{j}}}$$



## Sample MLP Neural Network

- Two-layer backpropagation
  - Input layer is not counted as a physical layer
  - However, it is usually identified as 3-layer NN Node 4



# **Backward Error Propagation**

- Backward error propagation=Backprogagation (BP)=Generalized Delta Rule (GDR)
  - $E = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (d_k x_k)^2, k = 1,...,$  number of output neurons
- $\bullet$  E: squared error measure,  $d_k$ : the desired output for node k,  $x_k$ : actual output of node k
- The gradient vector of E with respect to the neuron values and weights are

$$\nabla E = \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial x_k}\right] = \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial x_1}\frac{\partial E}{\partial x_2}\cdots\right] \quad \nabla E = \left[\frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial w_{ki}}\right] = \left[\frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial w_{11}}\frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial w_{12}}\cdots\right]$$

The partial gradient vector of E with respect to the net input  $v_j$  is  $\nabla E = \left[ \frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial v_1} \right] = \left[ \frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial v_1} \frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial v_2} \cdots \right]$ 

#### **Ordered Derivative**

$$z = g\left(x, y\right)$$

if x and y are independent

$$\nabla g = \left[ \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right], \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial y}$$

if 
$$y = f(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial y}, \text{ yet}$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^{+} z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} + \frac{\partial g(x, y)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$$



$$= \frac{\partial g(x,y)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} + \frac{\partial g(x,y)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$$

# **Example**

$$z = g(x, y) = 3x^2y$$

if x and y are independent

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \left(3x^2y\right)}{\partial x} = 6xy \iff \text{Right!} \frac{\partial z}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \left(3x^2y\right)}{\partial y} = 3x^2 \iff \text{Right!}$$

if 
$$y = f(x) = (4x + 2)$$
,  $z' \equiv 3x^2(4x + 2) = 12x^3 + 6x^2$ ,  $\frac{\partial z'}{\partial x} = 36x^2 + 12x$ 

$$\left. \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \left( 3x^2 y \right)}{\partial x} \right|_{y=f(x)} = 6xy \Big|_{y=f(x)} = 6x(4x+2) = 24x^2 + 12x \neq 36x^2 + 12x \Leftarrow \text{Wrong!}$$

$$\frac{\partial^{+} z}{\partial x} \Leftarrow \text{Right!} \quad \frac{\partial^{+} z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial^{+} (3x^{2}y)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial (3x^{2}y)}{\partial x} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} + \frac{\partial (3x^{2}y)}{\partial y} \bigg|_{y=f(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x}$$

$$= 6xy\big|_{y=f(x)} + 3x^2\big|_{y=f(x)} \frac{\partial (4x+2)}{\partial x}$$

$$= 6x(4x+2) + 3x^2 \cdot 4 = 24x^2 + 12x + 12x^2 = 36x^2 + 12x$$

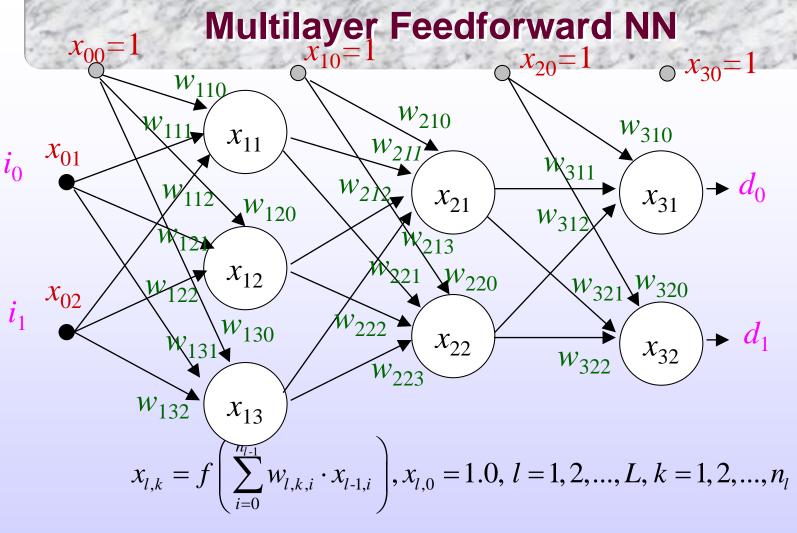
#### x is independent; y<sub>i</sub> depends on x

$$z = g(x, y_1, y_2, ..., y_n)$$
$$y_i = f_i(x)$$

$$\frac{\partial^{+} z}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}\Big|_{y_{i} = f_{i}(x)} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_{1}}\Big|_{y_{i} = f_{i}(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial f_{1}(x)}{\partial x} + \dots + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_{n}}\Big|_{y_{i} = f_{i}(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial f_{n}(x)}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}\bigg|_{y_i = f_i(x)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial g}{\partial y_i}\bigg|_{y_i = f_i(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial f_i(x)}{\partial x}$$







 $x_{l,k} = f(v_{l,k}), v_{l,k} = \sum_{i=0}^{n_{l-1}} w_{l,k,i} \cdot x_{l-1,i}$ 

 $n_l$ : The number of neurons in layer l

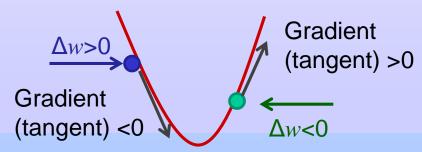
l = 0: input layer; l = L: output layer

Output neuron values depends on neuron values of the previous layers

# **Learning Method**

- Adjustable parameters
  - $W_{l,k,i} \leftarrow W_{l,k,i} + \Delta W_{l,k,i}$
- Objectives
  - Are different in various learning methods
- The Least Square of the Error
  - The steepest descent approach
    - lackbox Find the gradient of the error with respect to  $w_{l,k,i}$
    - Update  $w_{l,k,i}$  with  $w_{l,k,i}$  +  $\Delta w_{l,k,i}$
    - $\Delta w_{l,k,i}$  = -Step size x gradient

Square of the Error





## **Derivative of Errors**

$$E = \sum_{k=1}^{n_L} (d_k - x_{L,k})^2, \rightarrow \text{find } \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{L,k,i}}$$
 Output neuron values depends on neuron values of the previous layers

Since the computed values are  $x_{l,k}$ , find  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial v_{l,k}}$  and  $\frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial v_{l,k}}$  first.

For logistic sigmoidal activation  $f(\cdot)$ :

$$\frac{\partial f(v)}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial \left(\frac{1}{1+e^{-v}}\right)}{\partial v} = \left(\frac{1}{1+e^{-v}}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+e^{-v}}\right) = f(v)\left(1 - f(v)\right)$$

Define 
$$\varepsilon_{L,k} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial v_{L,k}} = \frac{\partial \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n_L} \left(d_k - x_{L,k}\right)^2\right)}{\partial v_{L,k}} = -2\left(d_k - x_{L,k}\right) \frac{\partial x_{L,k}}{\partial v_{L,k}}$$

$$= -2(d_{k} - x_{L,k}) \frac{\partial f(v_{L,k})}{\partial v_{L,k}} = -2(d_{k} - x_{L,k}) f(v_{L,k}) (1 - f(v_{L,k}))$$

$$= -2(d_{k} - x_{L,k}) (x_{L,k}) (1 - x_{L,k})$$

$$= -2(d_k - x_{L,k})(x_{L,k})(1 - x_{L,k})$$



# **Derivatives Derivation Details**

$$\frac{\partial f(v)}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}} \right) = \frac{-\frac{d}{dv} (1 + e^{-v})}{(1 + e^{-v})^2} = \frac{-\left(e^{-v} \frac{d(-v)}{dv}\right)}{(1 + e^{-v})^2} = \frac{-\left(-e^{-v} \frac{d(-v)}{dv}\right)}{(1 + e^{-v})^2} = \frac{-\left(-e^{-v} \frac{d(-v)}{dv}\right)}{(1 + e^{-v})(1 + e^{-v})} = \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) \left(\frac{e^{-v}}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) \left(\frac{1 + e^{-v} - 1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right) = f(v)(1 - f(v))$$

$$\frac{d}{dv}\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) = \frac{-\frac{d}{dv}X}{X^2},$$

$$X = 1 + e^{-v}, -\frac{d}{dv}X = -\frac{d}{dv}(1 + e^{-v}) = -e^{-v}\frac{d(-v)}{dv} = e^{-v} = 1 + e^{-v} - 1 = X - 1$$

$$\frac{d}{dv}\left(\frac{1}{X}\right) = \frac{X-1}{X^2} = \frac{1}{X}\frac{X-1}{X} = \frac{1}{X}\left(1 - \frac{1}{X}\right) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-v}}\right)$$

#### **Derivatives Derivation Details**

For full hyperbolic tangent activation  $f(v) = \frac{e^{v} - e^{-v}}{e^{v} + e^{-v}}$ :

$$\frac{\partial f(v)}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left( \frac{e^{v} - e^{-v}}{e^{v} + e^{-v}} \right) = \frac{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right) \cdot \frac{d}{dv} \left( e^{v} - e^{-v} \right) - \left( e^{v} - e^{-v} \right) \cdot \frac{d}{dv} \left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right)}{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right)^{2}} = \frac{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right) - \left( e^{v} - e^{-v} \right) \left( e^{v} - e^{-v} \right)}{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right)^{2}} = \frac{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right)^{2} - \left( e^{v} - e^{-v} \right)^{2}}{\left( e^{v} + e^{-v} \right)^{2}} = \frac{A^{2} - B^{2}}{A^{2}} = \frac{\left( A - B \right) \left( A + B \right)}{A \cdot A} = \left( \frac{A - B}{A} \right) \left( \frac{A + B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{B}{A} \right$$



$$\varepsilon_{L-1,k} = \frac{\partial^{+} E}{\partial v_{L-1,k}} = \frac{\partial E}{\partial v_{L-1,k}} \bigg|_{v_{L,k} = \varphi(v_{L-1,k})} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \frac{\partial E}{\partial v_{L,i}} \frac{\partial v_{L,i}}{\partial v_{L-1,k}}$$

$$= 0 + \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \varepsilon_{L,i} \frac{\partial v_{L,i}}{\partial v_{L-1,k}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \varepsilon_{L,i} \frac{\partial \sum_{j=0}^{n_{L-1}} w_{L,i,j} \cdot x_{L-1,j}}{\partial x_{L-1,k}} \frac{\partial x_{L-1,k}}{\partial v_{L-1,k}}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \varepsilon_{L,i} w_{L,i,k} \left( \frac{\partial x_{L-1,k}}{\partial v_{L-1,k}} \right) = \frac{\partial f(v_{L-1,k})}{\partial v_{L-1,k}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \varepsilon_{L,i} w_{L,i,k}$$

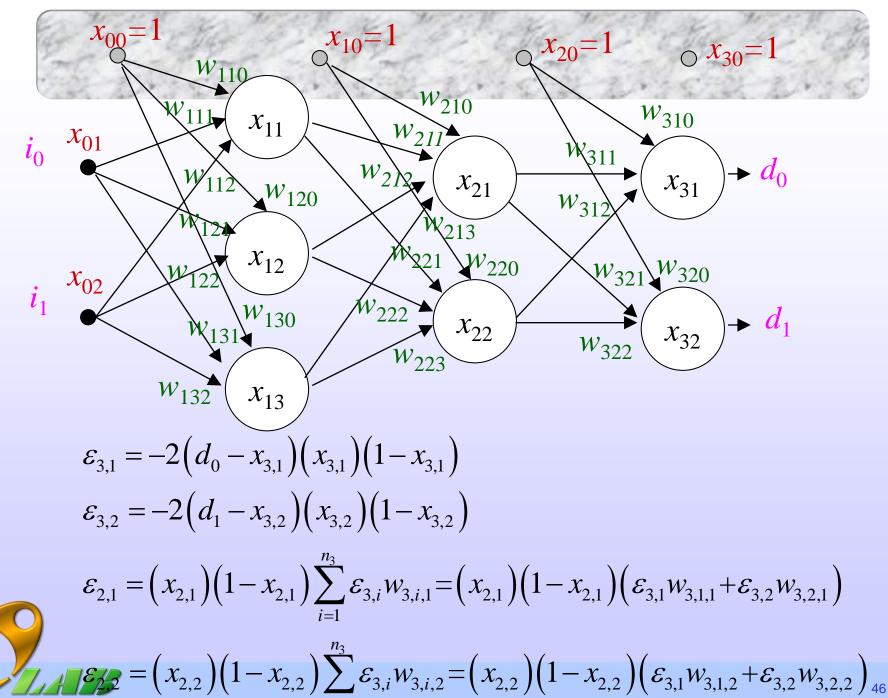
$$= (x_{L-1,k}) (1 - x_{L-1,k}) \sum_{i=1}^{n_{L}} \varepsilon_{L,i} w_{L,i,k}$$

Therefore, for sigmoidal activation, in general

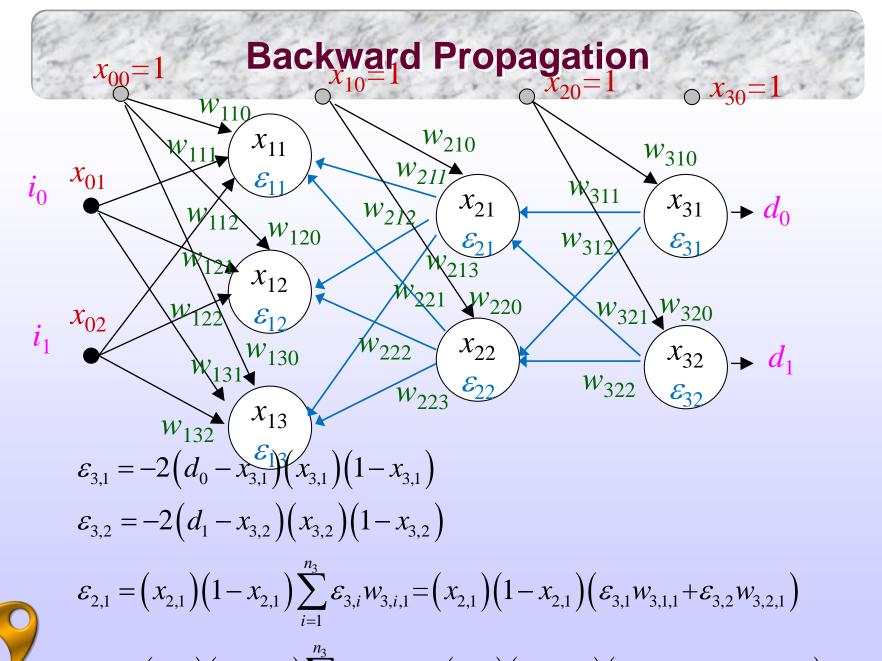
$$\varepsilon_{L,k} = -2(d_k - x_{L,k})(x_{L,k})(1 - x_{L,k}), k = 1, 2, ..., n_L$$

$$\varepsilon_{l'-1,k} = (x_{l'-1,k})(1-x_{l'-1,k})\sum_{i=1}^{n_{l'}} \varepsilon_{l',i} w_{l',i,k}; k = 1, 2, ..., n_{l'-1}; l' = 2, ..., L \quad \text{or}$$

$$\varepsilon_{l,k} = (x_{l,k})(1-x_{l,k})\sum_{i=1}^{n_{l+1}} \varepsilon_{l+1,i} w_{l+1,i,k}, \ k=1,2,...,n_l; l=1,...,L-1$$



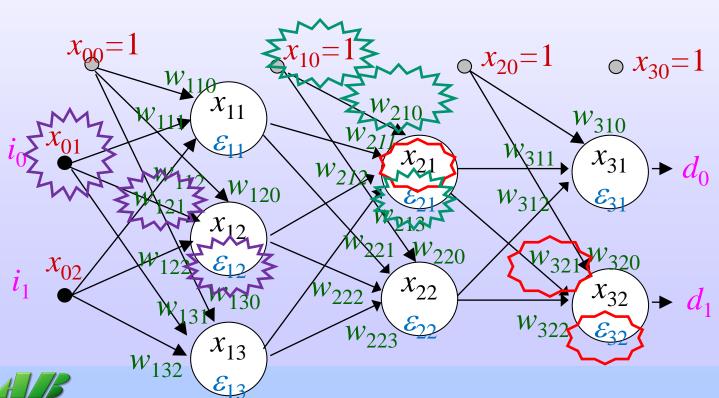
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# **Parameter Update**

$$\Delta w_{l,k,i} = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{l,k,i}} = -\eta \frac{\partial^+ E}{\partial v_{l,k}} \frac{\partial v_{l,k}}{\partial w_{l,k,i}} = -\eta \varepsilon_{l,k} \frac{\partial v_{l,k}}{\partial w_{l,k,i}}$$

$$= -\eta \varepsilon_{l,k} \frac{\partial \sum_{j=0}^{n_{l-1}} w_{l,k,j} \cdot x_{l-1,j}}{\partial w_{l,k,i}} = -\eta \varepsilon_{l,k} x_{l-1,i}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n_l$$



# **Practical Implementation**

$$w_{l,k,i} \leftarrow w_{l,k,i} - \eta \varepsilon_{l,k} x_{l-1,i}; \forall l = 1, 2, ..., L; \forall k = 1, ..., n_l; i = 0, 1, 2, ..., n_{l-1};$$

When an epoch is completed:

$$\eta \leftarrow \alpha \eta, 0 < \alpha \le 1.0; \alpha = 0.9$$
is suggested







# **Speeding Up Training**

#### Use momentum term

$$\Delta w_{l,k,i} = -\eta \nabla_{w_{l,k,i}} E + \alpha \Delta w_{l,k,i}^{prev}, 0.1 \le \alpha \le 1.0$$

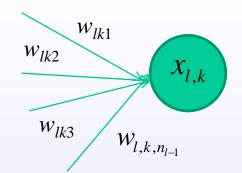
 $\Delta w_{l,k,i}^{prev}$  is the previous update amount

- Smooth weight updating
- Resist erratic weight changes
  - Changes from gradient noises or high error frequencies
- Not guaranteed
  - Usually problem dependent



Weight update normalization

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_{l,k} = -\gamma \frac{\nabla_{w_{l,k}} E}{\left\| \nabla_{w_{l,k}} E \right\|},$$



- Unified the moving distance of the weight vector to γ
  - $\bullet \gamma$  is set from history or error measure
  - No learning rate is applied
- Others
  - Quick-propagation algorithm, delta-bar-delta approach, extended Kalman filter method, second-order optimization, optimal filtering approach

#### **Discussion about MLPs**

- Different Activation Functions
- Using Hyperbolic tangent function
  - Learning speed is faster than logistic functions, in general
  - Output scaling should be applied
    - **♦** Not using [-1,1]
    - ◆Using [-0.9, 0.9] to avoid an infinite value changed in the weight update
  - Input scaling should be applied to restrict the input within the corresponding range

$$f(v) = \tanh(v) = \frac{e^{v} - e^{-v}}{e^{v} + e^{-v}}$$

$$\frac{df(v)}{dv} = (1+f(v))(1-f(v))$$



#### **Neuron Saturation**

#### Output value of a neuron is too large

- Consequents
  - Derivative of the activation function is zero
  - Amount of parameter value change is too small
  - No contribution to the weight update

#### Causes

- Net value is too large
- Learning rate is too large
- Moment factor is too large
- Non-extreme range of the activation function is too narrow



## **Overcome Neuron Saturation**

- Rescale the activation values
  - -0.9[-1,1]=[-0.9, 0.9]
- Add a minimal value to the derivative of the activation function, to have non-zero weight changes

$$\varepsilon_{L,k} = -2(d_k - x_{L,k})((x_{L,k})(1 - x_{L,k}) + 0.01), k = 1, 2, ..., n_L$$

$$\varepsilon_{l-1,k} = (x_{l-1,k} (1-x_{l-1,k}) + 0.01) \sum_{i=1}^{n_l} \varepsilon_{l,i} w_{l,i,k}, k = 1, 2, ..., n_l; \text{ or }$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{l,k} = \left(x_{l-1,k}\left(1 - x_{l-1,k}\right) + 0.01\right) \sum_{i=1}^{n_{l+1}} \mathcal{E}_{l+1,i} w_{l+1,i,k}, \ k = 1, 2, ..., n_l; l = 1, ..., L-1$$

# **Initial Weights and Learning Rates**

- Initial weight and bias setting
  - Should be uniformly distributed across a small range, usually [-1,1] (for both binary and bipolar NN)
    - A too large parameter will easily make a neuron saturated
      - Small error
    - A too small parameter generates small gradient
      - Small initial learning rate
- Learning rate rescaling
  - Learning rate in front layers should be larger than rear ones
    - Error signals are propagated from the rear ones.

# **Number of Hidden Layers**

- One hidden layer
  - With a sigmoidal nonlinear function can approximate any continuous function
- Two hidden layers
  - Can form arbitrary complex decision regions to separate different classes
- Large number of hidden layers
  - Deep learning in dealing with large scale of problem; e.g., image classification or recognition



#### **Variants: Different Error Measures**

#### Cubic values of errors

$$E_{p} = \sum_{k} (d_{k} - x_{k})^{3}$$

$$\varepsilon_{L,k} = -3(d_{k} - x_{L,k})^{2} \frac{\partial f(v_{L-1,k})}{\partial v_{L-1,k}}$$

#### Quartic values of errors

$$E_{p} = \sum_{k} (d_{k} - x_{k})^{4}$$

$$\varepsilon_{L,k} = -4(d_{k} - x_{L,k})^{3} \frac{\partial f(v_{L-1,k})}{\partial v_{L-1,k}}$$



# **Batch Training**

- Weights are updated when the set of all the input vectors are fed and the update amounts are cumulated
  - Since the change amounts are large, they should be reduced

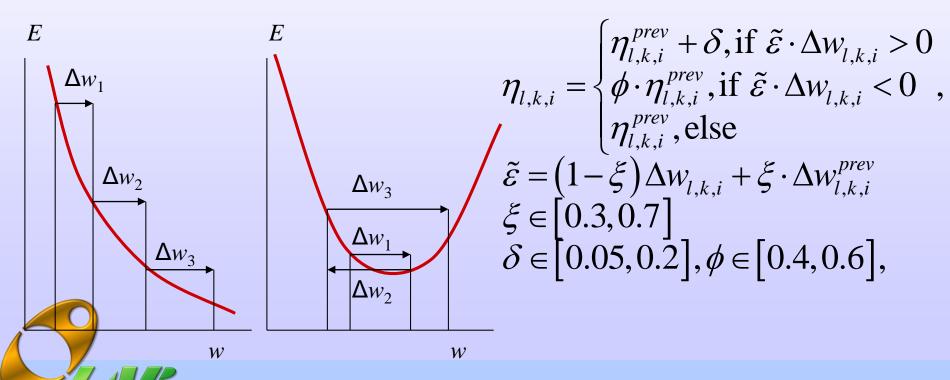
$$\Delta w_{l,k,i} = \frac{\sum_{p=1}^{N} \Delta w_{l,k,i}^{p}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

The value of learning rate is also decreased batch by batch



# **Customized Learning Rate Adjustments**

- Delta-Bar-Delta
  - Increase the learning rate when weight changes are in the same direction
  - Each weight has its learning rate



# Importance Differentials of the Training Data

- The training influences are different for different training data
  - Order sorting method
    - ◆ Data are sorted in an importance increasing order
    - ◆The weight change is multiplied by the importance factor of the training data

$$\Delta w_{l,k,i} = \left(\frac{p}{N}\right)^{\alpha} \Delta w_{l,k,i},$$
*p* is the sorting order of the training data

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# **Local Minimum Convergence Problem**

- The deepest descent error minimization approach can not avoid local convergence
- Small perturbation is added to the weight change

$$w_{l,k,i} = w_{l,k,i} + \Delta w_{l,k,i} + \upsilon$$
,  $\upsilon$  is a randomly generated perturbation



# **Speed Up Training**

- Avoid backpropagation for small error
  - Set an small error tolerance
  - When a training datum produces a error smaller than the tolerance, no computation for weights adjustment
- Scale the real number computation to integral computation



# **Advanced Training Algorithm**

- Threat the training as an optimization problem
- To minimize the defined error function with respect to the weights
  - Weights are the optimization variables
  - Error function is the objective function which is to minimize



# Derivative-based or Derivative-free optimization techniques can be applied

#### Derivative-based Methods

- Newton's Method
  - Classical Newton
  - Modified Newton
  - Quasi-Newton
- Conjugate Gradient Method

#### Derivative-free Methods

- ◆Genetic Algorithm
- Simulated Annealing
- Random Search
- Downhill Simplex Search
- Other Heuristic Algorithms



# **Computing Assignment 005**

- Design a general back-propagation MLP that allows different transfer functions, different numbers of layers and neurons implementations
  - Use data from UCI machine intelligence repository to train and test your NNs
  - Or use data in cal format
  - Provide possible visualization support



- Each attribute of the input data set should be preprocessed first before training
  - Either linearly map the values within [0, 1] or [-1,
     1] depending on the transfer function used
- Batch-training or on-line training can be specified
- Number of output neurons is depended on the number of classes, if a UCI data set (classification data set) is used
- Root Mean Squared Error can be computed and used for stop condition

# **Programming Notes**

### In-line Elapsed RMS of error

Average square root of error square for each output neuron on each training instance up to now

C: number of training instances executed so far

 $e^{(c)}$ : sum of error square on output neurons of training instance c

e: cumulated error square

$$e^{(c)} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_L} \left( d_k^{(c)} - x_{L,k}^{(c)} \right)^2$$

$$e = \sum_{c=1}^{C} e^{(c)}$$

$$E^{elasped} = \sqrt{\frac{e}{C \cdot n_L}}$$

# **Programming Notes**

#### Epoch RMS of error

The average square root of error square for each output neuron on each training instance within an epoch *J*: number of training data

 $e^{(j)}$ : sum of error squares on output neurons of training instance j

 $e_{(p)}$ : cumulated error square in epoch p,

initialized to 0 at the beginning of each epoch

$$e^{(j)} = \sum_{k=1}^{n_L} \left( d_k^{(j)} - x_{L,k}^{(j)} \right)^2$$

$$e_{(p)} = \sum_{j=1}^{J} e^{(j)}$$

$$E^{epoch} = \sqrt{\frac{e_{(p)}}{J_{s} \cdot n_{L}}}$$
, evaluated at the end of an epoch