Artificial Neural Networks

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ANN Accomplishments

- ► Atari Games (2013)
- ► AlphaGo (2015)
- ► AlphaStar: Starcraft II (2019)
- Open Al Five: Dota II (2019)
- Midjourney: Al Art (2022)
- ChatGPT: advanced chatbot (2022)



Figure: Al generated image in Dall-E

History

- Perceptrons: first models resembling ANNs (Rosenblatt, 1957)
 - algorithm that finds separating hyperplane
- Al Winter: perceptrons cannot model XOR (Minsky, 1969)
 - no linear separation possible

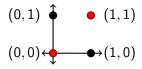


Figure: XOR circuit

History

- multilayer perceptron models (ANNs) able to solve XOR issue
- back-propagation led to computationally feasible solutions (Rumelhart, Hinton; 1986)
- ▶ improved computing power in the 1990s
 - more complex models
 - more data
- ► ANNs have been popular ever since

Why are ANNs Successful?

- ▶ automatic feature engineering
- flexible models
 - faster computers
 - bountiful data
 - universal approximation property

Projection Pursuit

Linear Regression: function must be linear

$$f(X) = X\beta + \varepsilon \tag{1}$$

Nonparametric Additive Models: handles nonlinearities

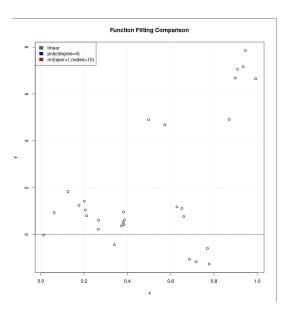
$$f(X) = \sum_{m=1}^{p} g_m(X_m) + \varepsilon$$
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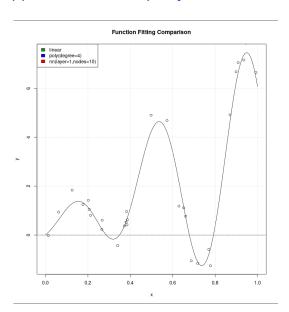
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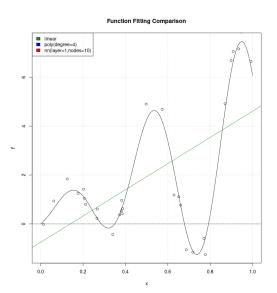
$$f(X) = \sum_{m=1}^{M} g_m(w_m^T X) + \varepsilon$$
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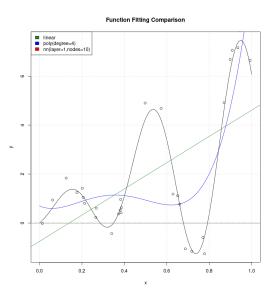
- developed in nonparametric statistics literature (Huber, 1985)
- generalization of one-layer ANN
- possesses universal approximation property

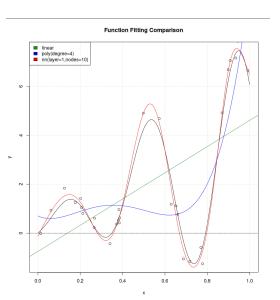












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$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \tag{4}$$

Softmax Function

$$g_k(x) = \frac{e^x}{\sum_{j=1}^K e^x} \qquad (5)$$

- sigmoid function is logistic regression
- softmax is multinomial logistic regression

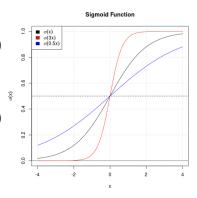
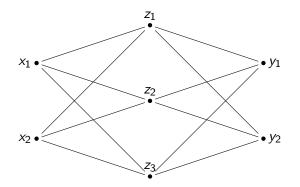
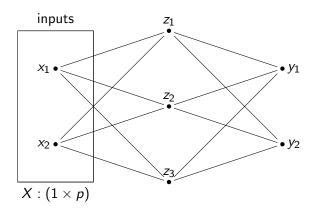
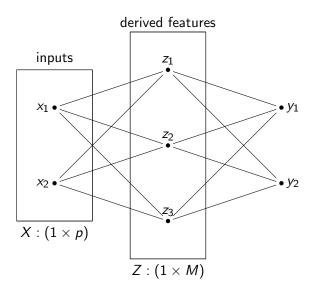
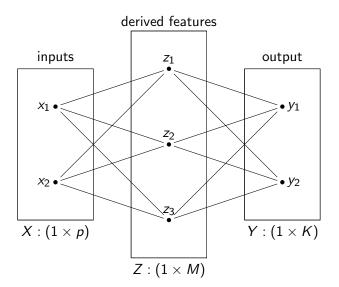


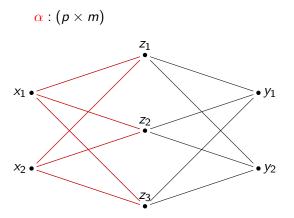
Figure: Sigmoid Function

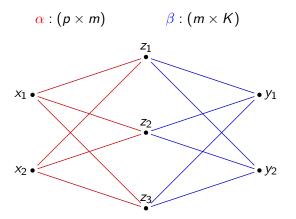




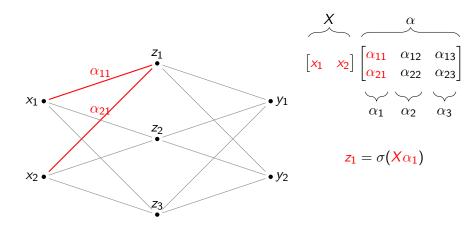




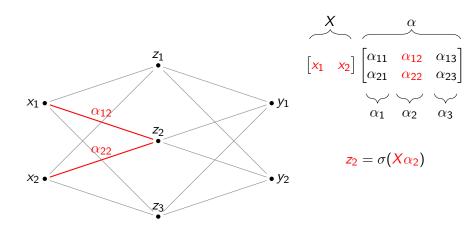




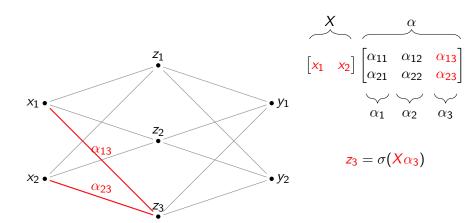
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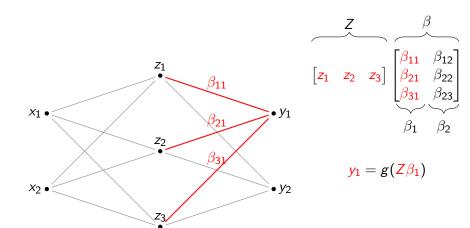
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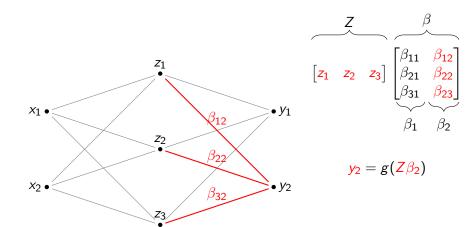
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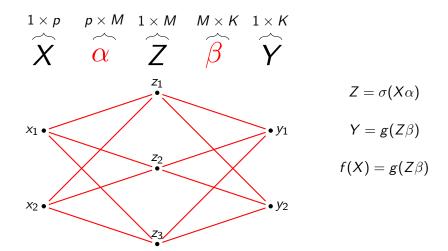
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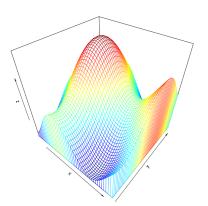


Summary



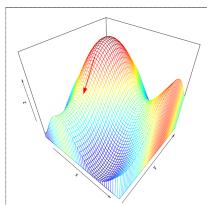
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- forward propagation: evaluates error (height of surface)
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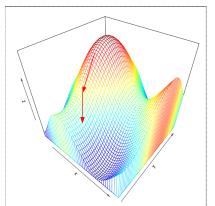
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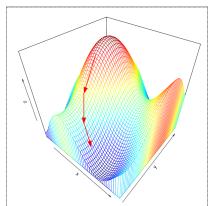
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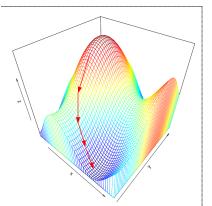
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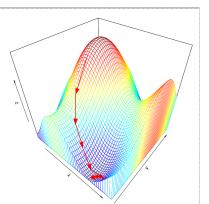
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Let γ_r be the *learning rate* at step r. We update parameters by

$$\beta_{mk}^{(r+1)} = \beta_{mk}^{(r)} - \gamma_r \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial \beta_{mk}^{(r)}}$$
$$\alpha_{jm}^{(r+1)} = \alpha_{jm}^{(r)} - \gamma_r \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial \alpha_{im}^{(r)}}$$

Back Propagation (β)

$$R_i = \sum_{k=1}^K (y_{ik} - f_k(X_i))^2 \qquad \text{defn. RSS}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_{mk}} R_i = \sum_{k=1}^K -2 (y_{ik} - f_k(X_i)) f_k'(X_i) \qquad \text{take derivative}$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^K -2 (y_{ik} - f_k(X_i)) g_k'(Z_i\beta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_{mk}} (Z_i\beta) \qquad \text{sub. } f_k(X_i) = g_k(Z_i\beta)$$

$$= -2 (y_{ik} - f_k(X_i)) g_k'(Z_i\beta) z_{im} \qquad \text{derivative cancels terms}$$

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$$R_{i} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} (y_{ik} - f_{k}(X_{i}))^{2} \qquad \text{defn. RSS}$$

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$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} -2 (y_{ik} - f_{k}(X_{i})) g_{k}'(Z_{i}\beta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha_{jm}} (\sigma(X_{i}\alpha)\beta) \qquad \text{sub. } Z_{i} = \sigma(X_{i}\alpha)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{K} -2 (y_{ik} - f_{k}(X_{i})) g_{k}'(Z_{i}\beta) \beta_{mk} \sigma'(X_{i}\alpha) x_{ij} \qquad \text{derivative cancels terms}$$

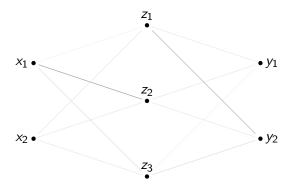
Back-Propagation Equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_{mk}} R_i = \underbrace{-2 (y_{ik} - f_k(X_i)) g'_k(Z_i \beta)}_{K_i} z_{im}$$

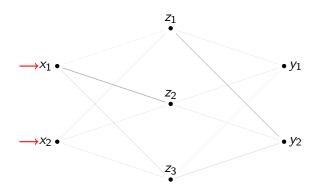
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- notice the compositional nature of the back-propagation equations
- yields significant computational savings

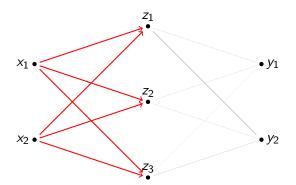
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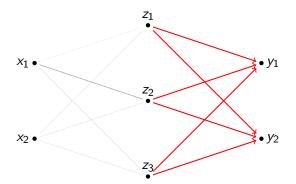
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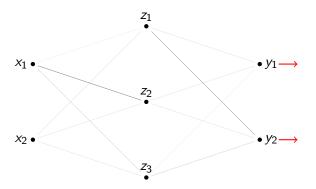
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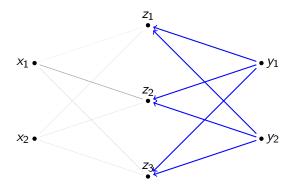
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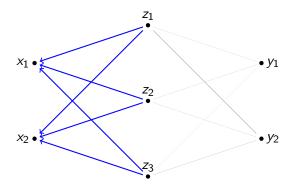
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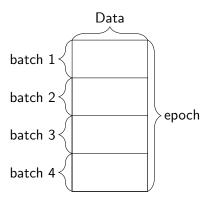


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Terminology

- **batch:** number of samples processed before updating parameters
- **online learning:** batch size of 1; useful for large data sets
- epoch: one sweep through training data; seems less arbitrary



Overfitting

- early stopping: stop before reaching global minimum
- penalization
 - MSE can be split into bias and variance
 - inflate bias to improve variance
 - flexible models require regularization to prevent overfitting

$$\min_{\theta} R(\theta) + \lambda J(\theta) \tag{7}$$

where penalty $J(\theta)$ is defined as

$$J(\theta) = \sum_{m,k} \frac{\beta_{mk}^2}{1 + \beta_{mk}^2} + \sum_{j,m} \frac{\alpha_{jm}^2}{1 + \alpha_{jm}^2}$$

Tuning

- training ANNs is an art; no hard and fast rules to training
- number of nodes (universal approximation)
 - in theory, a single layer with large number of nodes should be able to approximate any function
- number of hidden layers (abstraction)

Conclusion

- found great success in complex tasks
 - image recognition
 - natural language processing
- black-box approach: opaque by complexity
 - lack of interpretability prohibits ANNs' usefulness in medicine and science
- resource hungry
 - requires lots of data
 - requires lots of computational power
- no free lunch: simpler models are often more effective

Questions