

Artificial Intelligence

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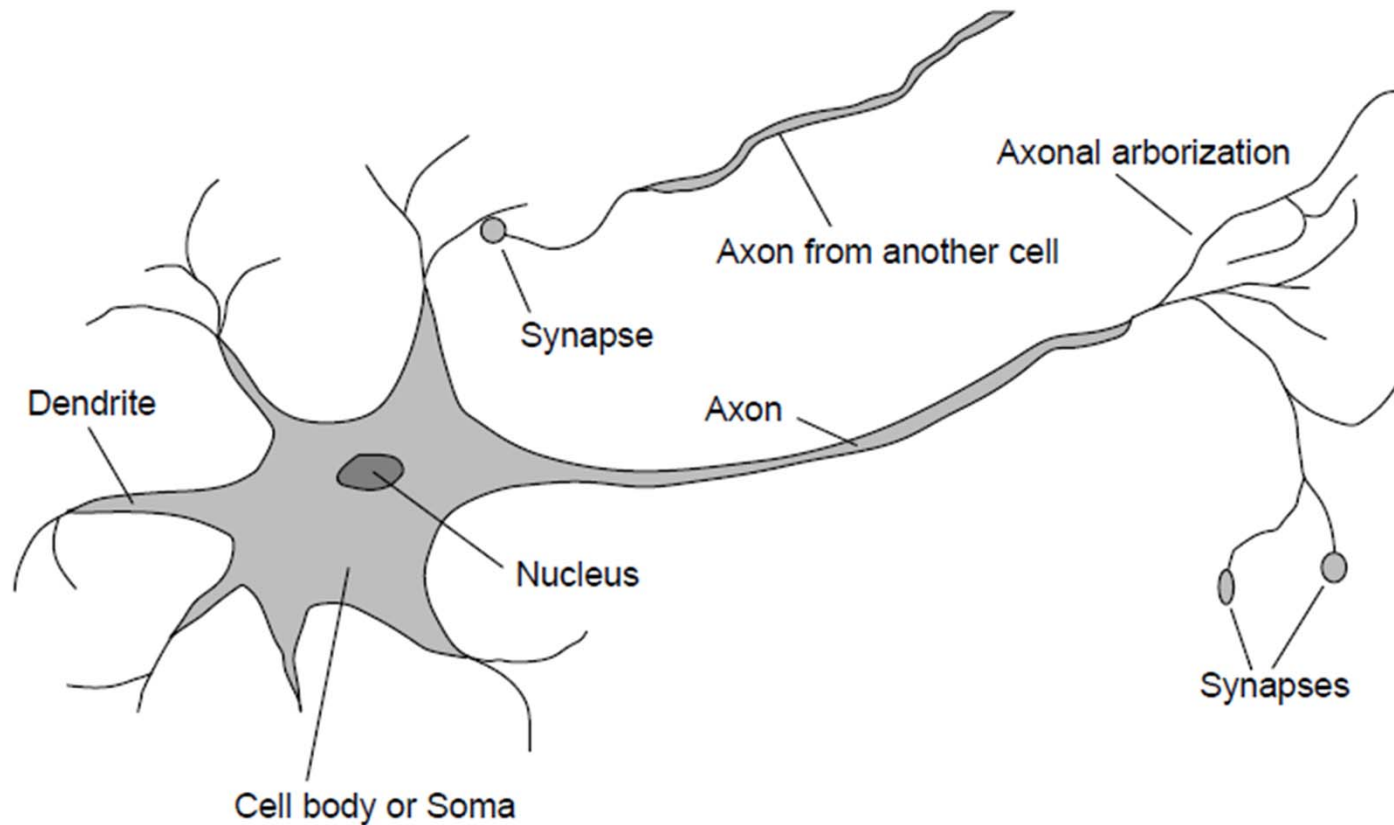
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Biological inspiration

- Animals are able to react **adaptively to changes in their external and internal environment**, and they use their nervous system to perform these behaviours.
- An appropriate model/simulation of the nervous system should be able **to produce similar responses** and behaviours in artificial systems.
- The nervous system is build by relatively simple units, the **neurons**, so copying their behaviour and functionality should be the solution.

Biological inspiration

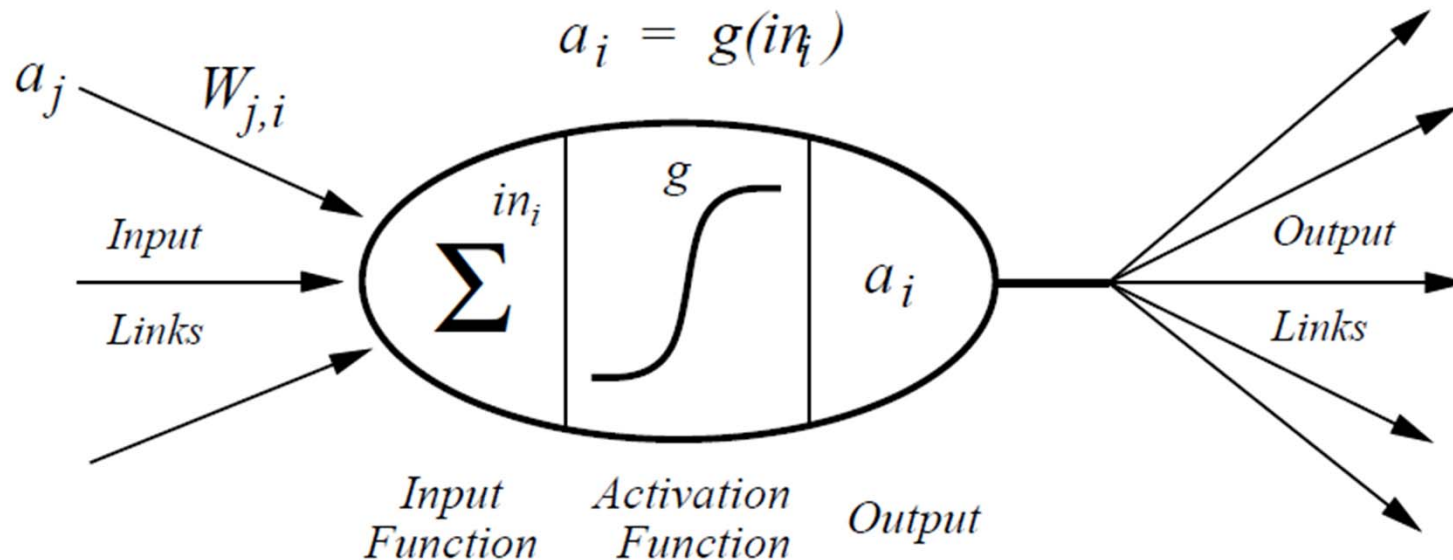
- 10^{11} neurons of > 20 types, 10^{14} synapses, 1ms–10ms cycle time
- Signals are noisy “spike trains” of electrical potential



Neural Networks

- A neural network consists of a set of nodes (neurons/units) connected by links
 - Each link has a numeric weight
- Each unit has:
 - A set of input links from other units
 - A set of output links to other units
 - A current activation level
 - An activation function to compute the activation level in the next time step

Basic definitions



- A gross oversimplification of real neurons, but its purpose is to develop understanding of what networks of simple units can do

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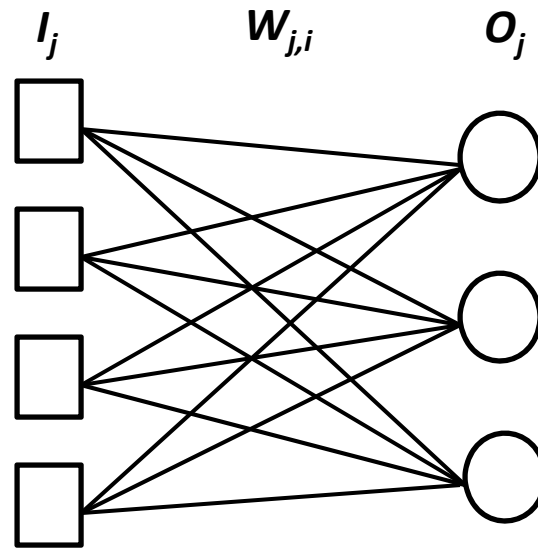
- The total weighted input is the sum of the input activations times their respective weights:

$$in_i = \sum_j W_{j,i} a_j$$

In each step we compute:

$$a_i \leftarrow g(in_i) = g(\sum_j W_{j,i} a_j)$$

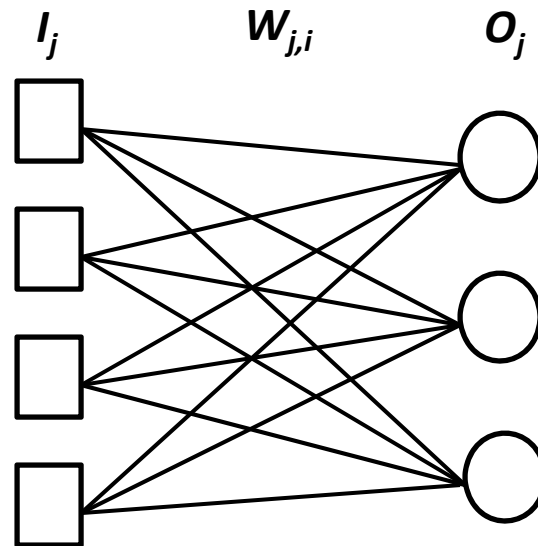
Learning in single layer network



- If the output for an output unit is O , and the correct output should be T , then the error is given by:

$$\text{Err} = T - O$$

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- The weight adjustment rule is:

$$W_j \leftarrow W_j + \alpha \times I_j \times \text{Err}$$

where α is a constant called the learning rate

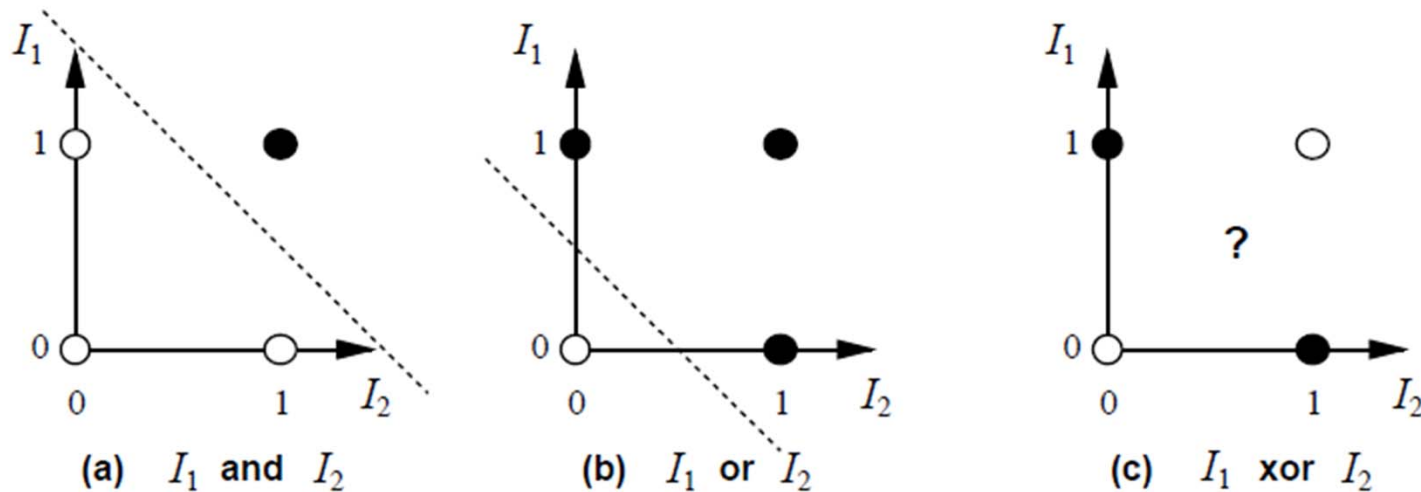
Learning Network Structures

- Different functions are implemented by different network topologies and unit **weights**.
- The lure of NNs is that a network need not be explicitly programmed to compute a certain function f .
- Given enough nodes and links, a NN can learn the function by itself.
- It does so by looking at a training set of input/output pairs for f and modifying its topology and weights so that its own input/output behavior agrees with the training pairs.
- In other words, NNs too learn by induction.

Computing with NNs

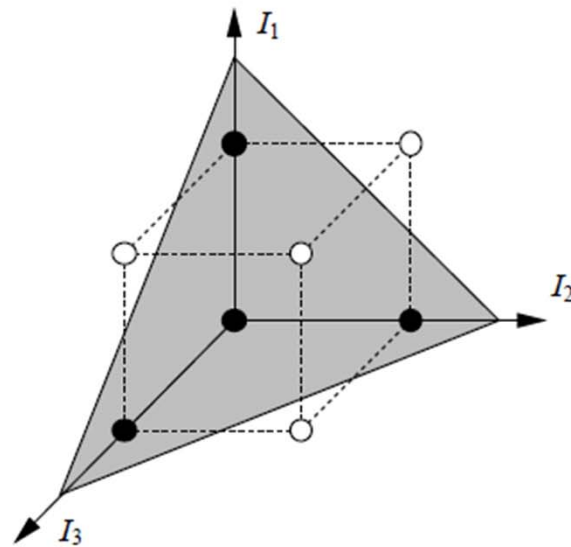
- The structure of a NN is given by its nodes and links.
- The type of function a network can represent depends on the network structure.
- Fixing the network structure in advance can make the task of learning a certain function impossible.
- On the other hand, using a large network is also potentially problematic.
- If a network has too many parameters (ie, weights), it will simply learn the examples by memorizing them in its weights (overfitting).

Linearly Separable Functions on a 2-dimensional Space

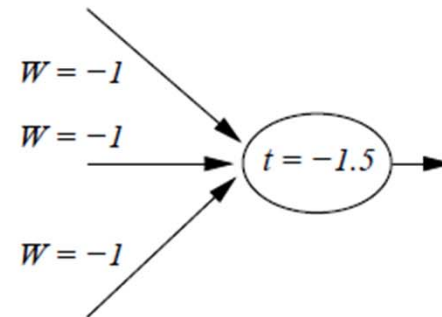


- A black dot corresponds to an output value of 1. An empty dot corresponds to an output value of 0.

Linearly Separable Functions on a 3-dimensional Space



(a) Separating plane



(b) Weights and threshold

- The minority function: Return 1 if the input vector contains less ones than zeros. Return 0 otherwise.

Learning Steps

Learn by adjusting weights to reduce error on training set

The squared error for an example with input \mathbf{x} and true output y is

$$E = \frac{1}{2}Err^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2}(y - h_{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}))^2 ,$$

Perform optimization search by gradient descent:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E}{\partial W_j} &= Err \times \frac{\partial Err}{\partial W_j} = Err \times \frac{\partial}{\partial W_j} (y - g(\sum_{j=0}^n W_j x_j)) \\ &= -Err \times g'(in) \times x_j \end{aligned}$$

Simple weight update rule:

$$W_j \leftarrow W_j + \alpha \times Err \times g'(in) \times x_j$$

E.g., +ve error \Rightarrow increase network output

\Rightarrow increase weights on +ve inputs, decrease on -ve inputs