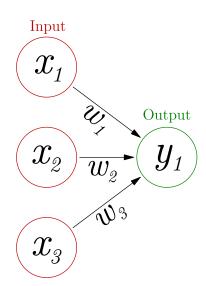
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Part 3: Feedforward Networks

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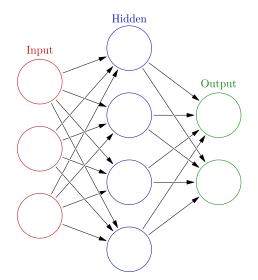
Simplest form of network

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- Cannot solve XOR-like problems
- We need something more human-like in problem solving abilities!



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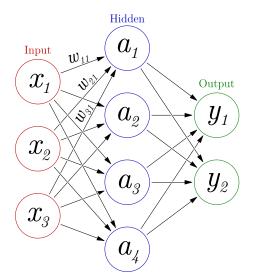
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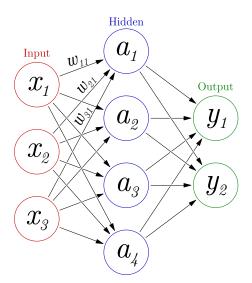


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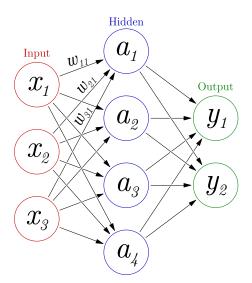
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► But how do we train the hidden units?



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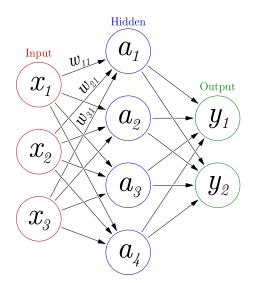


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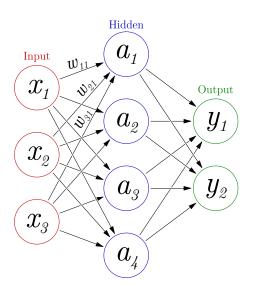
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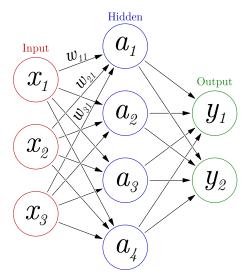
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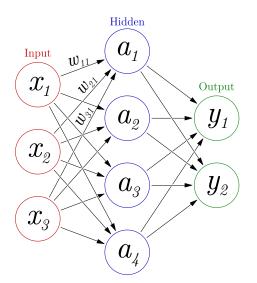
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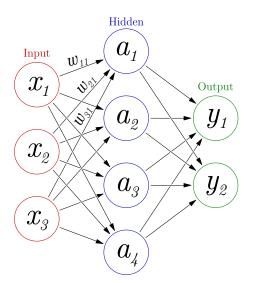
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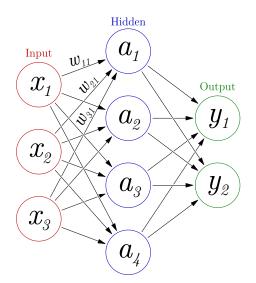
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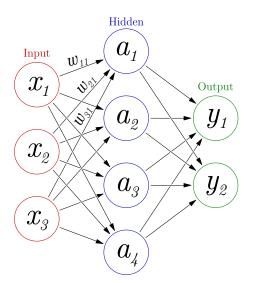
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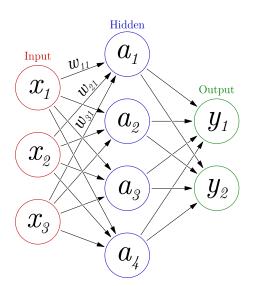
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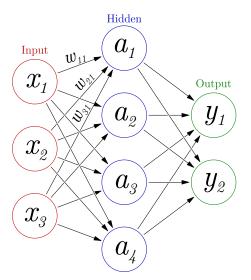


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▶ But — before applying these updates — we want to avoid local minima, so we have a few options...



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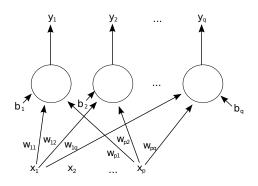
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where ε denotes the epoch, the momentum is v, and the learning rate is μ — latter two can be either variable or constant.

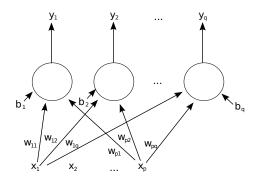
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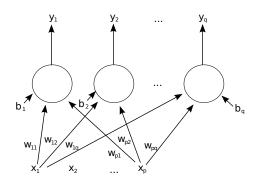
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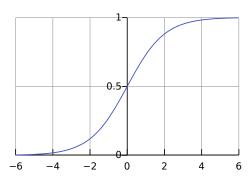
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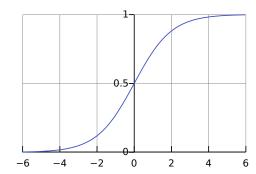
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- ► Takes pre-synaptic input to a unit:

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