

# Machine Learning: Algorithms and Applications

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Artificial Neural Networks and Deep Learning: An Introduction (I)

# Neural networks

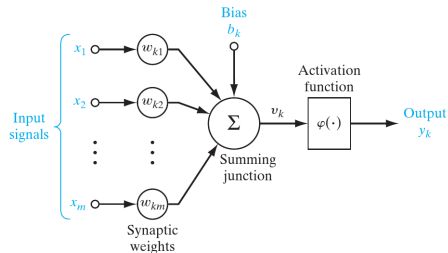
- A neural network is a machine designed to model the way in which the brain performs a particular task or function of interest.
- A neural network is a massively parallel distributed processor made up of simple processing units that has a natural propensity for storing experiential knowledge and making it available for use haykin2009.

It resembles the brain in two respects haykin2009:

- 1 Knowledge is acquired by the network from its environment through a learning process.
- 2 Inter-neuron connection strengths, known as synaptic weights, are used to store the acquired knowledge.

# Models of a neuron

- A **neuron** is an information-processing unit fundamental to the operation of a neural network
- Consists of:
  - 1 **Synapse** or connecting links: each characterized by a weight ( $\omega_{kj}$ ) or strength of its own. Note a signal  $x_j$  at the input of synapse  $j$ , connected to neuron  $k$  is multiplied by the synaptic weight  $\omega_{kj}$ .
  - 2 **Adder**: sums the input signals( $x_i$ ), weighted by the respective synaptic strengths of the neuron
  - 3 **Activation (or squashing) function**: limits the amplitude of the output of a neuron; squashes permissible amplitude range of the output signal to some finite value.



**Figure 1:** Model of a neuron with bias  $b_k$  which increases or lowers the net input of the activation function haykin2009.

# Models of a neuron

Operation of neuron in Figure (1 ) can be written mathematically as

$$u_k = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_{kj} x_j \quad (1)$$

$$y_k = \varphi(u_k + b_k) \quad (2)$$

where

- $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m$  are the input signals;
- $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_m$  are the respective synaptic weights of neuron k;
- $u_k$  is the linear combiner output due to the input signals
- $b_k$  is the bias;
- $\varphi(\cdot)$  is the activation function;

Bias  $b_k$  applies an affine transformation to the output  $u_k$  of the linear combiner

$$v_k = u_k + b_k \quad (3)$$

# Models of a neuron

Equations (1) - (3) can be combined into

$$v_k = \sum_{j=0}^m \omega_{kj} x_j \quad (4)$$

and

$$y_k = \varphi(v_k) \quad (5)$$

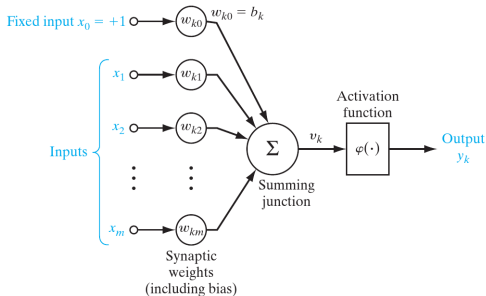
In combining the equations a new synapse has been added with input

$$x_0 = +1 \quad (6)$$

and weight

$$\omega_{k0} = b_k \quad (7)$$

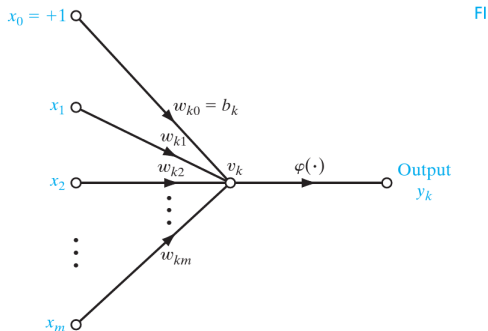
See Figure (2).



**Figure 2:** Model of neuron with the bias absorbed into the neuron haykin2009.

# Models of a neuron

- Signal flow model of a neuron could be useful in some analysis or visualization
- Output is given by Equations (4 ) & (5 )



**Figure 3:** Signal flow model of a neuron haykin2009

# Common Activation Functions

**Threshold Function** depicted in Figure (3 ) can be written as:

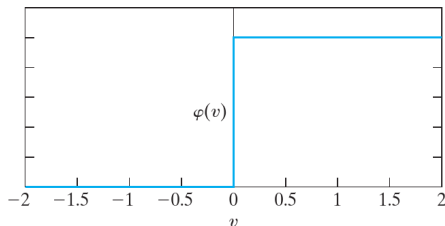
$$\varphi(v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } v < 0 \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

Output of neuron,  $k$ , using threshold function is

$$y_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v_k \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } v_k < 0 \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

and induced local field of neuron,  $v_k$  is

$$v_k = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_{kj} x_j + b_k \quad (10)$$



**Figure 4:** Threshold function haykin2009.

# Common Activation Functions

**Logistic Function** (an example of Sigmoid function) is depicted in Figure (5) and can be written as:

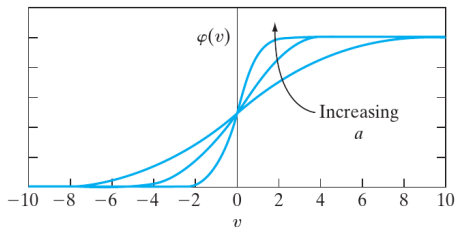
$$\varphi(v) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-av)} \quad (11)$$

where induced local field of neuron,  $v_k$  is

$$v_k = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_{kj}x_j + b_k \quad (12)$$

and slope parameter  $a$  determines the shape

- Note that the logistic function is differentiable while the threshold function is not



**Figure 5:** Sigmoid function for varying slope parameter  $a$  haykin2009.

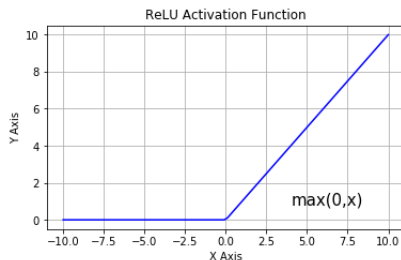


# Common Activation Functions

- **Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)** has become very popular since its introduction by (1).
- Output is a **non-linear** function of the input

$$v_k = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_{kj} x_j + b_k \quad (13)$$

$$y_k = \begin{cases} v_k & \text{if } v_k > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } v_k < 0 \end{cases} \quad (14)$$



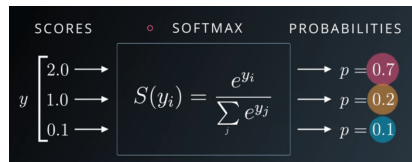
**Figure 6:** Rectified Linear Unit

# Common Activation Functions

- **Softmax** activation function squashes each input to a value between 0 and 1.
- Output is equivalent to a categorical probability distribution
- Graph similar to logistic but usually applied to provide probabilistic interpretation to outputs in classification task










$$v_k = \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_{kj} x_j + b_k \quad (15)$$

$$y_k = \frac{\exp(v_k)}{\sum_{k=1}^K \exp(v_k)} \quad (16)$$



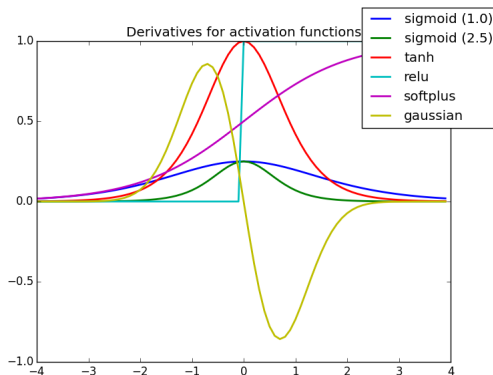
**Figure 7:** Softmax operation for a 3-class classification task (<https://sefiks.com/>).

# Common Activation Functions

Name	Plot	Equation	Derivative
Identity		$f(x) = x$	$f'(x) = 1$
Binary step		$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$	$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \neq 0 \\ ? & \text{for } x = 0 \end{cases}$
Logistic (a.k.a Soft step)		$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$	$f'(x) = f(x)(1 - f(x))$
Tanh		$f(x) = \tanh(x) = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-2x}} - 1$	$f'(x) = 1 - f(x)^2$
ArcTan		$f(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$	$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$
Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU)		$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ x & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$	$f'(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$
Parametric Rectified Linear Unit (PReLU) [2]		$f(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha x & \text{for } x < 0 \\ x & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$	$f'(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$
Exponential Linear Unit (ELU) [3]		$f(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha(e^x - 1) & \text{for } x < 0 \\ x & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$	$f'(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) + \alpha & \text{for } x < 0 \\ 1 & \text{for } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$
SoftPlus		$f(x) = \log_e(1 + e^x)$	$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$

**Figure 8:** Activation Functions (<https://towardsdatascience.com>)

# Common Activation Functions



**Figure 9:** Derivative of Activation Functions (<https://towardsdatascience.com>)

# Common Activation Functions

What are some nice properties of activation functions?

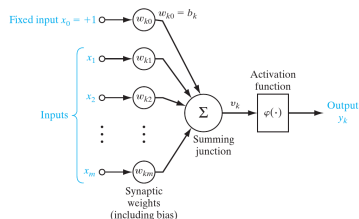
- Nonlinear function; otherwise neural net can only solve simple problems;
- Without activation neural net is equivalent to a linear regression
- Nice derivatives makes learning easy
- Activation functions should give a bounded output for a bounded input
- Choosing the right activation function is both science and art. For further insight, see the works of (1) and (2)
- Together with the right cost function, activation functions make training NN possible.

# Models of a neuron

- In Figure (10) consider only 3 inputs and the bias into the neuron;
- Let the weights be  $\omega_{10} = b_1 = 0.5$ ,  
 $\omega_{11} = 0.4$   $\omega_{12} = 0.6$ ;  $\omega_{13} = 0.2$
- Let the inputs be  $x_0 = 1$ ;  $x_1 = 1.2$ ;  
 $x_2 = 2.0$ ;  $x_3 = 1.8$
- Let the activation function be logistic  
sigmoid with  $a = 0.2$

$$\begin{aligned}v_1 &= \sum_{j=0}^3 \omega_{1j} x_j \\&= 1 \times 0.5 + 0.4 \times 1.2 + 0.6 \times 2.0 + 0.2 \times 1.8 \\&= 2.54\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y_1 &= \varphi(v_1) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-av_1)} \\&= \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-0.2 \times 2.54)} = 0.624\end{aligned}$$

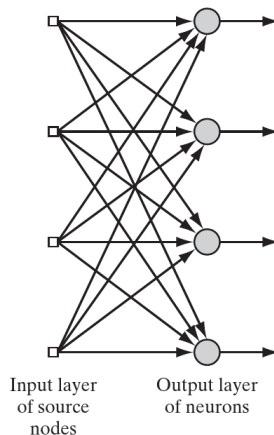


**Figure 10:** Model of neuron:  
Example  
computation haykin2009.

# Network Architecture

## Single Layer Feedforward Networks

- Input layer of source nodes project directly onto an output layer of neurons

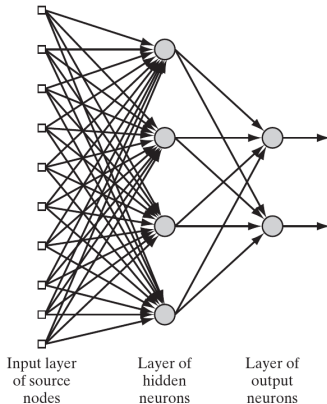


**Figure 11:** Single Layer Feedforward NN ((?))

# Network Architecture

## Multilayer Feedforward Networks

- Input layer of source nodes project directly onto a set of neurons in a **hidden layer**
- There could be one or more hidden layers; output of each layer forming input to the next layer
- Adding one or more hidden layers allows network to **extract higher-order statistics** from the input data
- Network is **fully connected** if every node in each layer is connected to every node in the adjacent forward layer



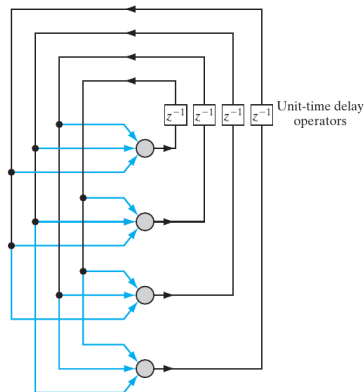
**Figure 12:** Multilayer Fully Connected Feedforward NN ((?))



# Network Architecture

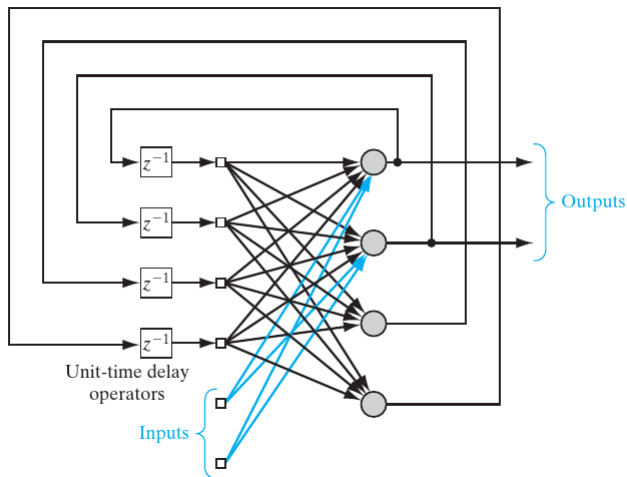
## Recurrent Networks

- Unlike feedforward networks **recurrent networks introduce feedback** from output to input and with multilayer feedback could also be among layers
- Feedback loops and nonlinear activation functions allow neural network to model nonlinear dynamic systems



**Figure 13:** Single Layer Recurrent Neural Network ((?))

# Network Architecture



**Figure 14:** Recurrent Neural Network with Hidden Layer ((?))

## Types of Learning

- **Supervised learning** - predict an output when given an input vector
- **Reinforcement learning** - select an action to maximize some defined payoff
- **Unsupervised learning** - discover a good internal representation of the data

# Learning process

## Supervised Learning

- Each training case consists of an input vector  $x$  and a target output  $t$ .
  - 1 Regression: The target output is a real number or a whole vector of real numbers.
  - 2 Classification: The target output is a class label.

Recall that in general we want to learn a mapping from input vector  $x$  to some output  $y$  through a vector of weights  $\omega$

$$y = f(\omega, x) \quad (17)$$

such that the error (or loss or cost function) incurred in the prediction of the actual value is minimized.

- For regression, the cost function

$$J(\omega, b) = -\mathbb{E} \log p_{\text{model}}(y|x) \quad (18)$$

is the expectation of negative conditional log-likelihood computed over the training data; the cross-entropy between the training data and the model distribution

# Learning process

- Cost function in Equation (18) is usually minimized in an optimization process, gradient descent.
- How to understand gradient-based optimization? (
  - Consider a function  $y = f(x)$  where both  $x$  and  $y$  are real numbers
  - Derivative of  $y = f(x)$ ,  $f'(x)$ , gives slope of  $f(x)$  at point  $x$
  - Importantly, it tells us how to scale a small change in the input to obtain corresponding change in output (this is due to Taylor's expansion):

$$f(x + \epsilon) \approx f(x) + \epsilon f'(x) \quad (19)$$

$$f(x - \epsilon \operatorname{sign}(f'(x))) < f(x) \quad \text{for small enough } \epsilon$$

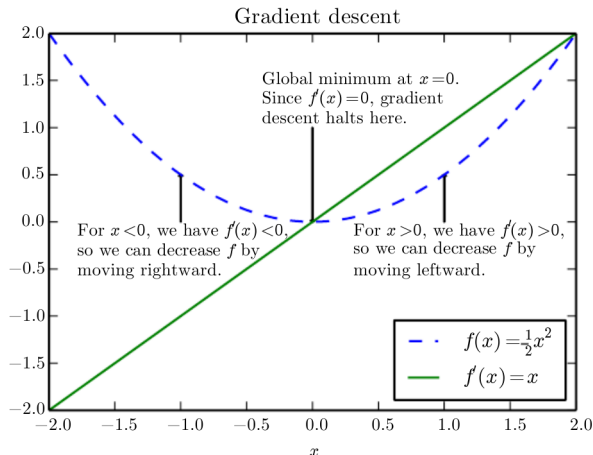
So we reduce  $f(x)$  by moving  $x$  in small steps with the opposite sign of the derivative

- This technique is called **gradient descent**<sup>1</sup> and credited to Louis Augustin Cauchy, 1847 (it's also called **steepest descent**)

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<sup>1</sup>For brief (mathematical) historical account see (?)

# Learning process



**Figure 15:** Illustration of the gradient descent algorithm (p.80)

# Learning process

- In general the input to the function  $f$  is a vector  $\mathbf{x}$ , so we consider generalization of the derivative of  $f$ ,  $\nabla f$
- Let  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$ ;

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \dots \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_m} \right]^t$$

- Partial derivative  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}$  measures how  $f$  changes as only the variable  $x_i$  increases at point  $\mathbf{x}$ .
- **Directional derivative** in the direction of a unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  is the slope of  $f$  in the direction of  $\mathbf{u}$

# Learning process

- **Directional derivative** is derivative of  $f(\mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{u})$  with respect to  $\alpha$  evaluated at  $\alpha = 0$
- Chain rule says that given a function  $f(u)$ , and  $u(x)$ ;  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial u}$  therefore,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} f(\mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{u}^t \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\|_2 \cos \theta$$

- Minimize  $f$  by finding the direction in which  $f$  decreases fastest; Do this by minimizing the directional derivative

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}^t \mathbf{u} = 1} \mathbf{u}^t \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}^t \mathbf{u} = 1} \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x})\|_2 \cos \theta$$

Minimum is achieved when  $\mathbf{u}$  points in the opposite direction to  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x})$

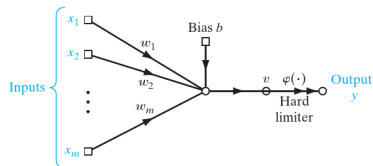
- We can decrease  $f$  by moving in the direction of negative gradient, choosing a new point as

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x} - \epsilon \nabla f(\mathbf{x}); \quad \text{where } \epsilon \text{ is step size} \quad (20)$$



# Perceptron

- Consider the perceptron shown in Figure (16); weights  $\omega_i; i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ ; inputs  $x_i; i = \{1, \dots, m\}$ ; external bias,  $b$
- Correctly classify externally applied inputs into two classes  $\mathcal{C}_1$  or  $\mathcal{C}_2$
- If  $y = +1$  classify to class  $\mathcal{C}_1$ ; if  $y = -1$  classify to  $\mathcal{C}_2$



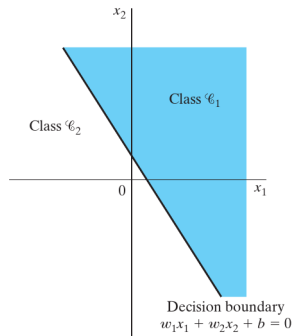
**Figure 16:** Signal flow model of the perceptron (?)

# Perceptron

- Simple perceptron creates a hyperplane separating the two regions (see Figure(17))

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \omega_i x_i + b = 0$$

- Weights of perceptron adapted at each iteration of training sample presentation
- Use error-correction rule - perceptron convergence algorithm



**Figure 17:** Hyperplane as decision boundary of 2-D, 2-class classification (?)

# Perceptron

- The output of the linear combiner at iteration  $n$ , can be written as

$$v(n) = \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_i x_i = \mathbf{w}^t(n) \mathbf{x}(n)$$

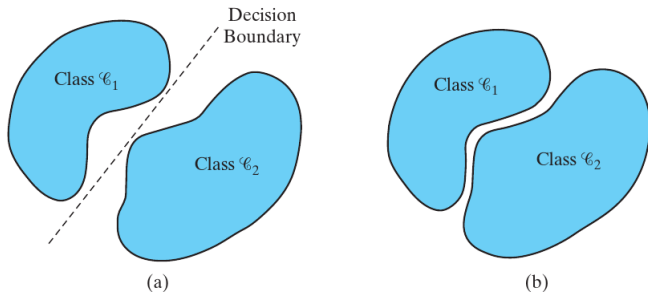
- Classes  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  must be linearly separable for the perceptron to function properly (See Figure(17))
- Algorithm:

$$\omega(n+1) = \begin{cases} \omega(n) & \text{if } \mathbf{w}^t(n) \mathbf{x}(n) > 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(n) \in \mathcal{C}_1 \\ \omega(n) & \text{if } \mathbf{w}^t(n) \mathbf{x}(n) \leq 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(n) \in \mathcal{C}_2 \end{cases}$$

otherwise

$$\omega(n+1) = \begin{cases} \omega(n) - \eta(n) \mathbf{x}(n) & \text{if } \mathbf{w}^t(n) \mathbf{x}(n) > 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(n) \in \mathcal{C}_2 \\ \omega(n) + \eta(n) \mathbf{x}(n) & \text{if } \mathbf{w}^t(n) \mathbf{x}(n) \leq 0 \text{ and } \mathbf{x}(n) \in \mathcal{C}_1 \end{cases}$$

# Perceptron



**Figure 18:** (a) Linearly separable patterns; (b) Linearly non-separable patterns (?)

# Multilayer Perceptron

Basic features of **multilayer perceptrons** haykin2009 (See Figure 19):

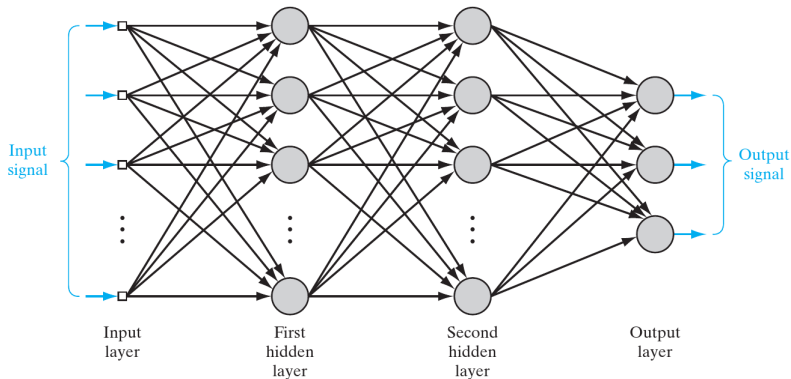
- Each neuron in the network includes a nonlinear activation function that is differentiable
- Network contains one or more layers that are hidden from both the input and output nodes
- Network exhibits a high degree of connectivity determined by synaptic weights of the network

## Training method

Multilayer perceptron is usually trained using the **back-propagation** algorithm:

- **Forward phase:** Weights of the network are **fixed** and input signal is propagated layer-wise through the network and transformed signal appears at the output
- **Backward phase:** Error signal is computed by comparing generated output and desired response; error signal is propagated backward and layer-wise through the network; successive adjustments made to weights of the network

# Multilayer Perceptron



**Figure 19:** Architectural graph of the **Multilayer Perceptron** haykin2009

# Multilayer Perceptron

- Each hidden or output neuron performs two computations:
  - 1 Output of each neuron expressed as continuous nonlinear function of input signals and associated weights
  - 2 Estimate of the gradient vector (gradient of error surface) required in the backward phase of the training
- Hidden neurons act as feature detectors, discovering the salient features characterising the training data;
- Hidden neurons perform nonlinear transformation on input data into a new space; **feature space**
- The training is a form of **error-correction learning** that assigns **blame** or **credit** to each of the internal neurons; this is a case of the **credit assignment** problem
- **Back-propagation** solves the **credit assignment** problem for the multilayer perceptron

# Back-propagation Algorithm

## Key points leading to overall strategy

- Multilayer perceptron is a universal function approximator
- It can be trained using error-correction learning to obtain optimum approximation
- The optimum can be obtained if we can minimize the approximation error
- This is equivalent to modifying the weights so that the network minimizes the error between desired output and response of the network
- Gradient descent algorithm can be used to find the minimum of an objective function by iteratively computing the adjustment that leads to the minimization of the objective function
- Back-propagation is an efficient implementation of the gradient descent
- Strategy is to compute the adjustment,  $\Delta\omega$  to be applied to each weight,  $\omega$
- From Equation (20) the adjustment is proportional to the gradient of the objective function; in this case  $\nabla E$  ( $E$  is error signal energy) with respect to the parameters  $\omega$



# Back-propagation Algorithm

- Error signal of the output neuron is given by

$$e_j(n) = d_j(n) - y_j(n) \quad (21)$$

where  $y_j$  is the output of neuron  $j$  when stimulus  $x(n)$  is applied at the input;  $d_j(n)$  is the desired output

- Instantaneous error energy can be written as

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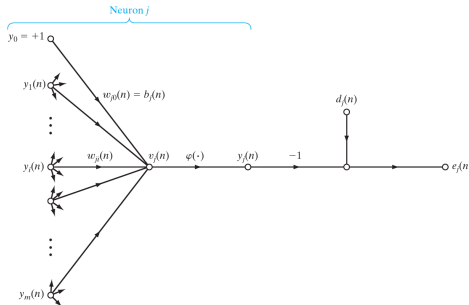
- Induced local field of neuron  $j$  at iteration  $n$  is:

$$v_j(n) = \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{ji}(n) y_i(n) \quad (24)$$

$m$  is the total number of inputs

- Function signal  $y_j(n)$  appearing at the output of neuron  $j$  at iteration  $n$  is

$$y_j(n) = \varphi_j(v_j(n)) \quad (25)$$



**Figure 20:** Signal flow highlighting neuron  $j$  being fed by the outputs from the neurons to its left; induced local field of neuron is  $v_j(n)$  and this is the input to activation function  $\varphi(\cdot)$  haykin2009

# Back-propagation Algorithm

Consider Figure (20):

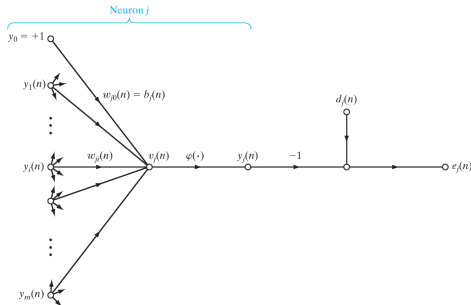
- Induced local field of neuron  $j$  at iteration  $n$  is:

$$v_j(n) = \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{ji}(n) y_i(n) \quad (24)$$

$m$  is the total number of inputs

- Function signal  $y_j(n)$  appearing at the output of neuron  $j$  at iteration  $n$  is

$$y_j(n) = \varphi_j(v_j(n)) \quad (25)$$



**Figure 20:** Signal flow highlighting neuron  $j$  being fed by the outputs from the neurons to its left; induced local field of neuron is  $v_j(n)$  and this is the input to activation function  $\varphi(\cdot)$  haykin2009

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What do we know so far?

- 1 Training a multilayer perceptron involves using the training data set in an error-correction learning paradigm to adjust the weights
- 2 The error-correction learning is essentially equivalent to solving a function minimization problem
- 3 The function to be minimized is the error surface corresponding to the mismatch between the response of the network and the desired response
- 4 This can be solved by the gradient descent algorithm
- 5 The back-propagation algorithm is an efficient implementation of the gradient descent algorithm for the multilayer perceptron
- 6 The correction (or update) to the weight at each iteration is (cf. Equation (??)):

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This is the product of the learning rate  $\eta$ , local gradient of the associated neuron,  $\delta_j(n)$  and the input to the neuron,  $y_i(n)$ . See Figure (??)

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- Weights connected to the **output neurons** are updated as

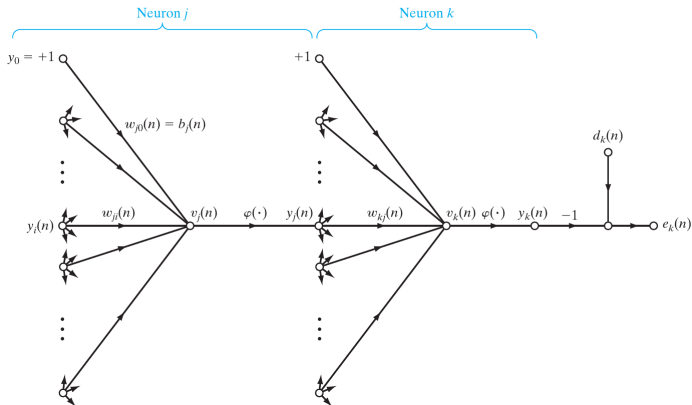
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- Using chain rule similarly to how we derive the update for the weight of output neurons we will show that the weight update for **hidden neurons** is given as

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where neuron  $j$  is hidden;  $\varphi'_j(v_j(n))$  is derivative of associated activation function;  $\delta_k(n)$  are associated with neurons  $k$  which are to the immediate right of neuron  $j$  and connected to it;  $\omega_{kj}(n)$  are the associated weights of these connections (see Figure (21) )

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**Figure 21:** Signal flow showing hidden neuron  $j$  connected to an output neuron  $k$  to its immediate right; Diagram used to show the derivation of weight update for hidden neuron haykin2009

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For the sake of completeness we now derive

$$\delta_j(n) = \varphi_j'(v_j(n)) \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n)$$

of Equation (??)

- Recall from Equation(??)

$$\frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial \omega_{ji}(n)} = \boxed{\frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial e_j(n)} \frac{\partial e_j(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} \frac{\partial y_j(n)}{\partial v_j(n)}} \frac{\partial v_j(n)}{\partial \omega_{ji}(n)}$$

and Equation(??)

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \omega_{ji}(n) &= \eta \boxed{e_j(n) \varphi_j'(v_j(n))} y_i(n) \\ &= \eta \boxed{\delta_j(n)} y_i(n) \end{aligned}$$

we infer that the local gradient,  $\delta_j(n)$ , can be written as

$$\delta_j(n) = \frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial e_j(n)} \frac{\partial e_j(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} \frac{\partial y_j(n)}{\partial v_j(n)} \quad (36)$$

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- Use Figure (??) and Equation (??) to write local gradient as:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_j(n) &= -\frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} \frac{\partial y_j(n)}{\partial v_j(n)} \\ &= -\frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} \varphi_j'(v_j(n))\end{aligned}\tag{37}$$

- From Figure (??)

$$E(n) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in C} e_k^2(n); \text{ neuron } k \text{ is an output node}\tag{38}$$

Differentiating both sides of Equation (??) with respect to  $y_j$ :

$$\frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} = \sum_k e_k(n) \frac{\partial e_k(n)}{\partial y_j(n)}\tag{39}$$

Use chain rule to write

$$\frac{\partial e_k(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} = \frac{\partial e_k(n)}{\partial v_k(n)} \frac{\partial v_k(n)}{\partial y_j(n)}$$

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- Observe from Figure (??) that

$$\begin{aligned} e_k(n) &= d_k(n) - y_k(n) \\ &= d_k(n) - \varphi_k(v_k(n)); \text{ neuron } k \text{ is an output node} \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

and we can write

$$\frac{\partial e_k(n)}{\partial v_k(n)} = -\varphi'_k(v_k(n)) \quad (42)$$

- Also note that the induced local field for neuron  $k$

$$v_k(n) = \sum_{j=0}^m \omega_{kj}(n)y_j(n); \text{ } m \text{ is number of inputs applied to neuron } k \quad (43)$$

Upon differentiation we have

$$\frac{\partial v_k(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} = \omega_{kj}(n) \quad (44)$$

- Combining these component partial derivatives we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E(n)}{\partial y_j(n)} &= - \sum_k \boxed{e_k(n) \varphi'_k(v_k(n))} \omega_{kj}(n) \\ &= - \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n) \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

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- Substituting Equation (??) into Equation (??) to obtain

$$\delta_j(n) = \varphi_j'(v_j(n)) \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n) \quad (46)$$

and when combined with Equation (??) we can write the correction as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\omega_{ji}(n) &= \eta \delta_j(n) y_i(n) \\ &= \eta \varphi_j'(v_j(n)) \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n) y_i(n) \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

and the update rule as

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{ji}^{\text{new}}(n) &= \omega_{ji}^{\text{old}}(n) + \Delta\omega_{ji}(n) \\ &= \eta \delta_j(n) y_i(n) \\ &= \omega_{ji}^{\text{old}}(n) + \eta \varphi_j'(v_j(n)) \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n) y_i(n) \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

which is the same expression we provided in Equation (??)



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## Summary of Back-propagation Algorithm for Multilayer Perceptron

- 1 Training could be **Online** (weight update after presentation of each sample) or **Batch** (weight update after presentation of all samples)
- 2 Back-propagation comprises two phases namely **Forward pass** and **Backward pass**
- 3 **Forward pass**: Weights of the network are fixed and input signal is propagated layer-wise through the network and transformed signal appears at the output; each neuron computes (see Figure (??))

$$v_j(n) = \sum_{i=0}^m \omega_{ji}(n) y_i(n); \quad y_j(n) = \varphi_j(v_j(n)) \quad (49)$$

- 4 In the **Backward pass** error is propagated backward through the network to compute weight updates (see Figure (??) and Equation (??)):

$$\omega_{ji}^{\text{new}}(n) = \omega_{ji}^{\text{old}}(n) + \begin{cases} \eta \boxed{e_j(n) \varphi'_j(v_j(n))} y_i(n) & \text{for output neurons} \\ \eta \boxed{\varphi'_j(v_j(n)) \sum_k \delta_k(n) \omega_{kj}(n)} y_i(n) & \text{for hidden neurons} \end{cases} \quad (50)$$

See handout on a simple hand calculation of back-propagation

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