



Neural Networks

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Multilayer Perceptron Back-propagation algorithm

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Single-layer Perceptron



- Receives input through its synapsis (x_i)
- Synapsis are weighted (w_i) (including bias)
- A weighted sum is calculated
- Nonlinear activation function

$$y_k = \varphi\left(\sum_{i=0}^m w_{ki}x_i\right) = \varphi(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})$$

x_i : input vector

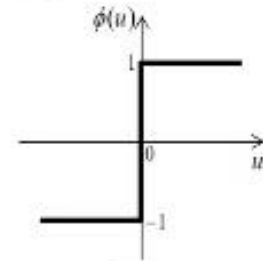
w_{ki} : weight coefficient vector

v_k : weighted sum

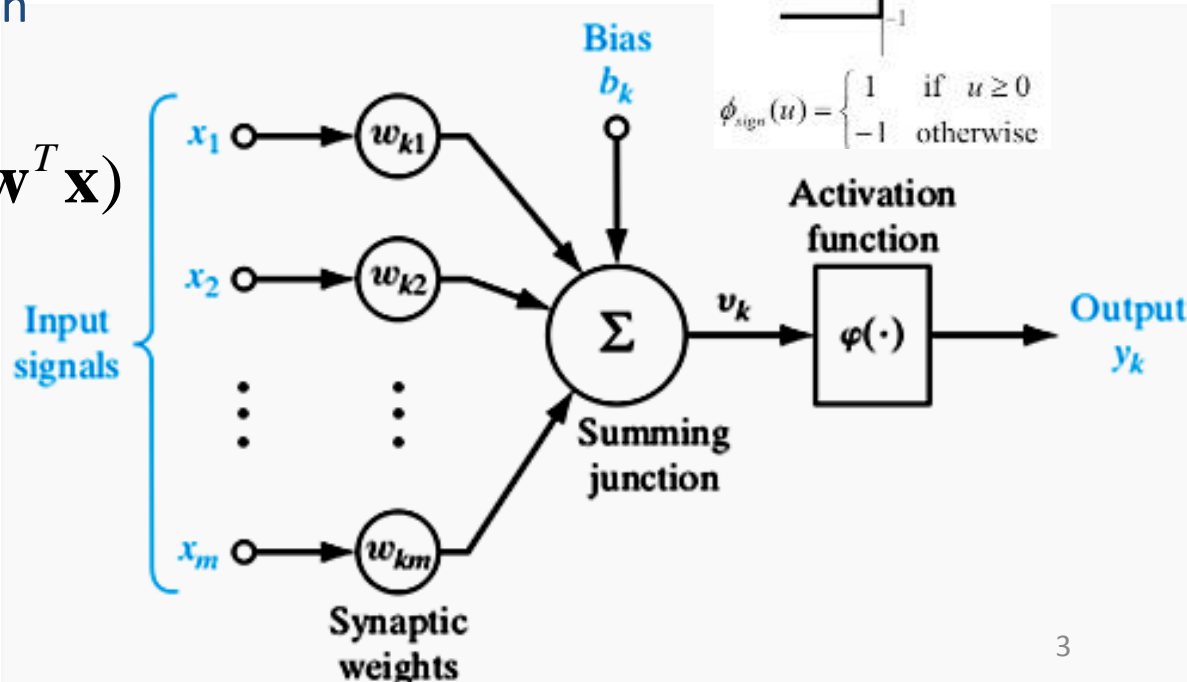
b_k : bias value of neuron k

o_k : output value of neuron k

sign function



$$\phi_{\text{sign}}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } u \geq 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



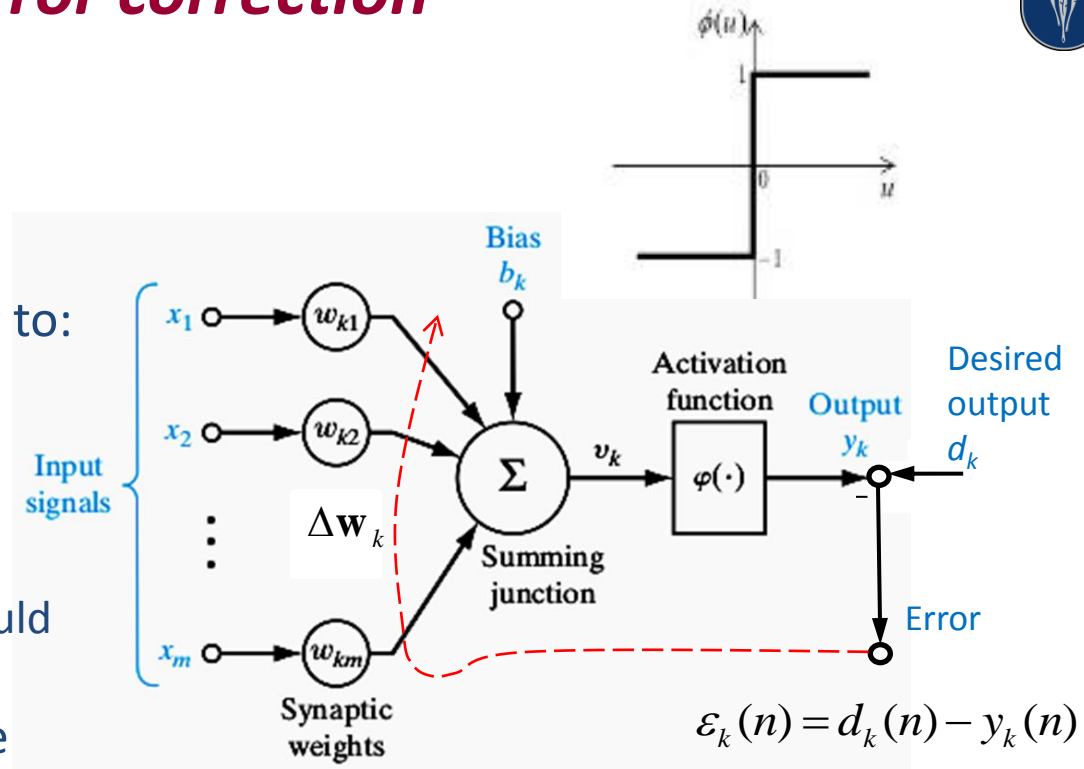
Single-layer perceptron training: *Error correction*



- Apply the input vector (\mathbf{x}_i)
- Calculate the output
- If output is false
- Modify the weights according to:

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}_k = \eta \varepsilon_k(n) \mathbf{x}(n)$$

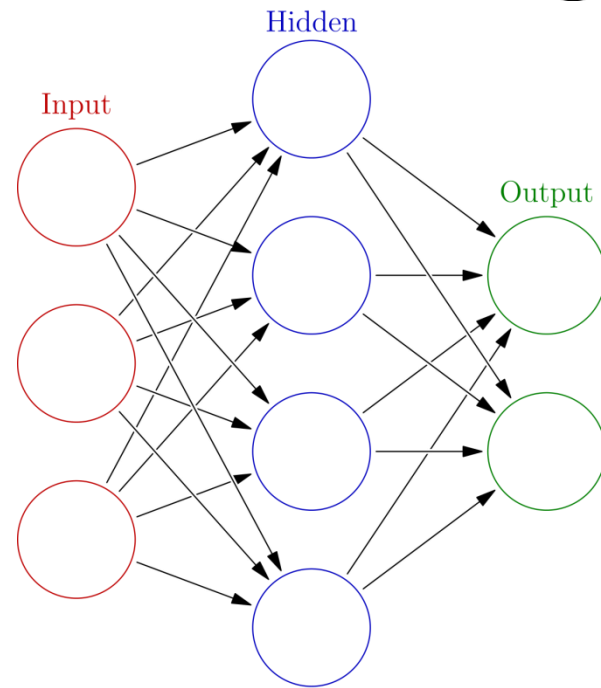
- Operation:
 - When error is positive the contribution of $w_{ki}x_i$ should be increased
- Convergence is proven in case of linearly separable task





Multilayer perceptron

- Different names of Multilayer perceptron
 - Feed forward neural networks (FFNN)
 - Fully connected neural networks
- Multilayer neural network
 - Input layer
 - Hidden layers
 - Output layer
 - The outputs are the inputs of the following layer
 - Many hidden layers → deep network
- Multiple inputs, multiple outputs





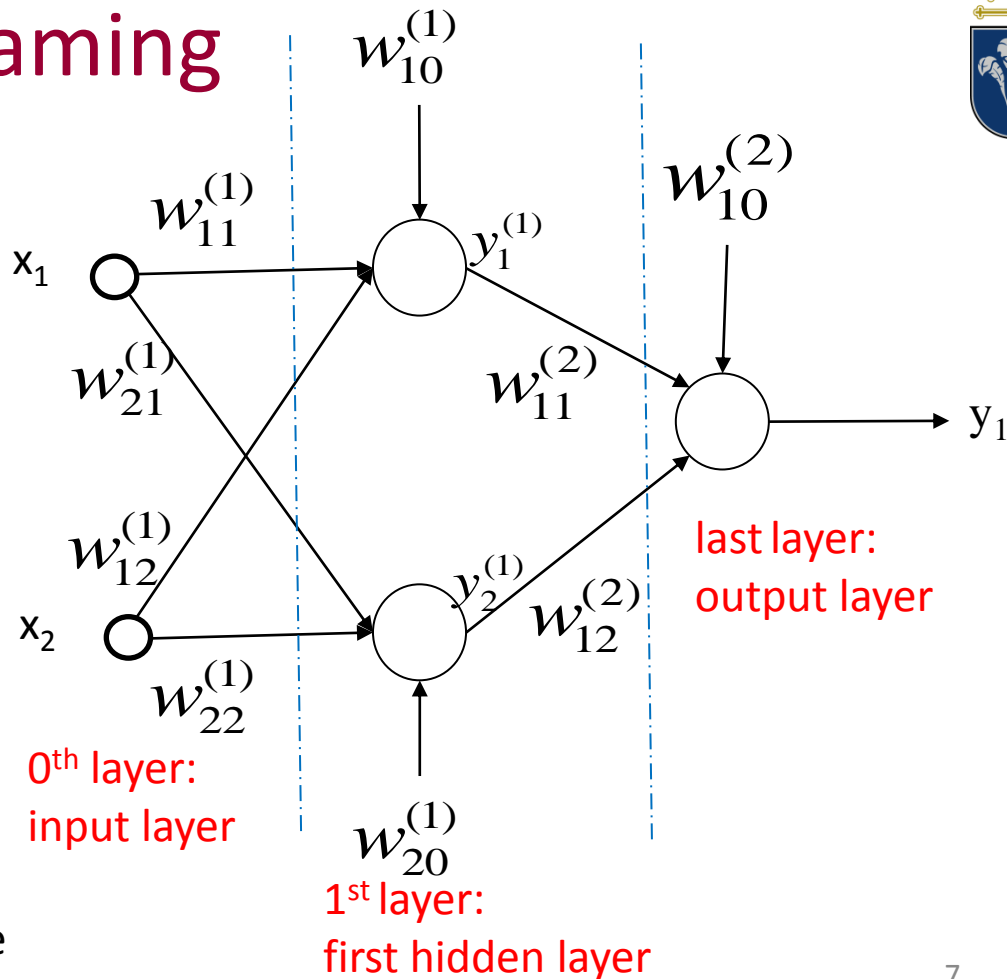
Multilayer perceptron

- Multilayer perceptrons are used for
 - Classification
 - Supervised learning for classification
 - Given inputs and class labels
 - Approximation
 - Approximate an arbitrary function with arbitrary precision
 - Prediction
 - „What is the next element in the future of given time series?“
 - Stock market, currency exchange

Topology and naming

- Weights: $w_{ij}^{(l)}$
 - Arrives to the l^{th} layer
 - Comes from the j^{th} neuron from the $(l-1)^{\text{th}}$ layer
 - Arrives to the i^{th} neuron of the l^{th} layer

$w_{ij}^{(l)}$ layer
 destination ——— source



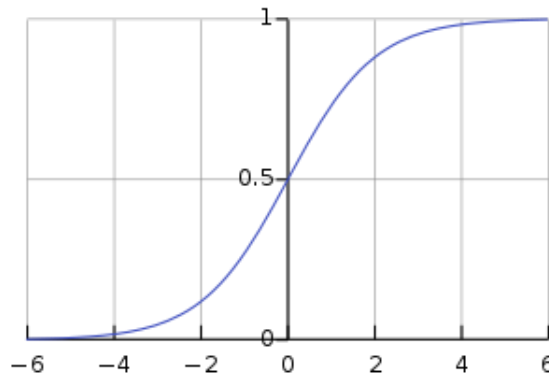


Activation function options

- Sigmoid function

- Continuous
- Continuous differentiable
- We will use this

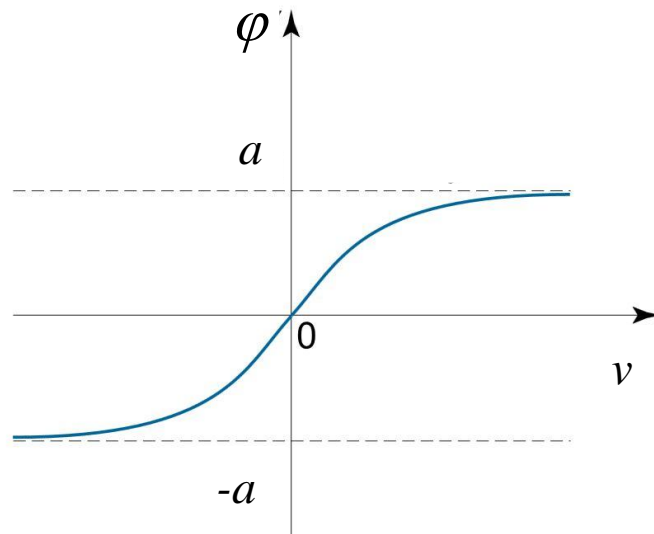
$$\varphi(v) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\lambda v}}$$



- Hyperbolic tangent function

- Continuous
- Continuous differentiable
- $a, b > 0$

$$\varphi(v) = a \tanh(bv)$$





Operation

- Signal flow through the network progresses left to right

- The output of the network:

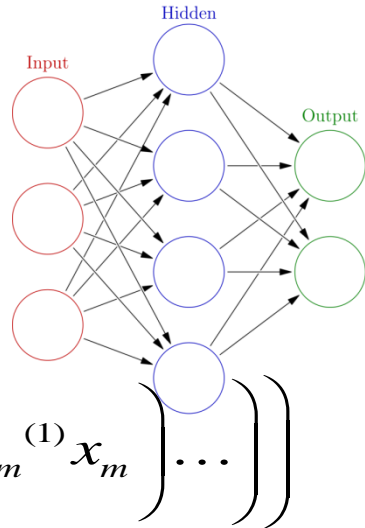
$$Net(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{x}) = y = \phi \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n^L} w_i^{(L)} \cdot \phi \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n^{L-1}} w_{ij}^{(L-1)} \cdot \dots \cdot \phi \left(\sum_{m=1}^{n^1} w_{km}^{(1)} x_m \right) \dots \right) \right)$$

- Where

$$\mathbf{W} = (w_{1,0}^{(1)}, w_{1,1}^{(1)}, w_{1,2}^{(1)}, \dots, w_{1,0}^{(2)}, w_{1,1}^{(2)}, \dots, w_{1,0}^{(L)}, \dots)$$

$$\phi(v) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\lambda v}} \quad \phi, \varphi \text{ are the same lower case Phi}$$

- Number of layers: L , neurons in l^{th} layer: n^l



Questions

- When solving engineering task by FFNN we are faced with the following questions:

- Representation

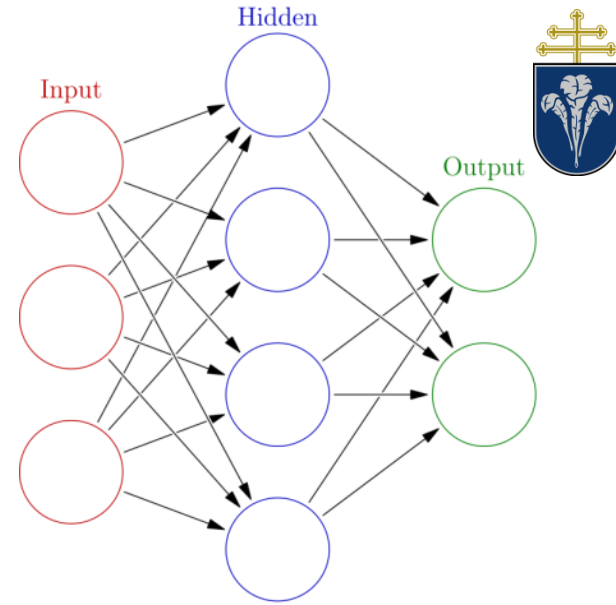
- What kind of functions can be represented by an FFNN?

- Learning

- How to set up the weights to solve a specific given task?

- Generalization

- If only limited knowledge is available about the task which is to be solved, then how the FFNN is going to generalize this knowledge?





Representation

- Can it approximate a function?

Can it approximate all the function? With what precision?

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \forall F(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{F} \\ \varepsilon > 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \exists \mathbf{w} : \|F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})\| < \varepsilon$$

- The notation $\| \cdot \|$ defines a norm used in \mathcal{F} space

$$\int_{\mathbf{x}} (F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^p \mathbf{d}x, \dots \mathbf{d}x_N < \varepsilon$$

- For example error computed as follows in L^p



Representation – Theorem 1

- Theorem (Hornik, Stinchcombe, White 1989)

- Every function in L^p can be represented arbitrarily closely by a neural net

- More precisely for each

$$F(x) \in L^p$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \mathbf{w}$$

$$\int_{\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{x}}} \int (F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^p \mathbf{d}x, \dots \mathbf{d}x_N < \varepsilon$$

- Since it is out of the focus of the course this proof will not be presented here

Recall:

$$L^1 : \int_{\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{x}}} \int (F(x)) \mathbf{d}x, \dots \mathbf{d}x_N < \infty$$

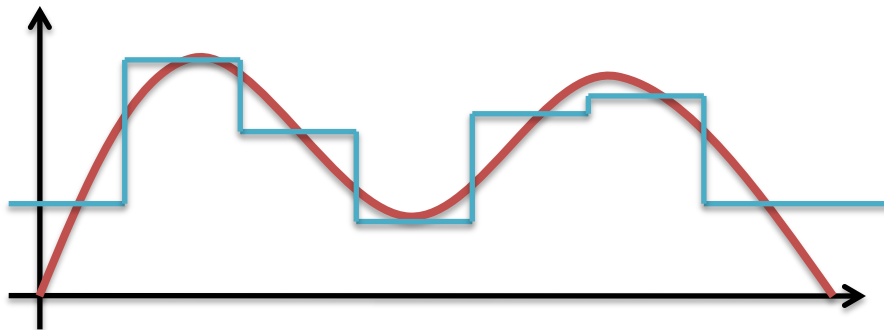
$$L^2 : \int_{\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{x}}} \int (F(x))^2 \mathbf{d}x, \dots \mathbf{d}x_N < \infty$$

$$L^p : \int_{\mathbf{L}_{\mathbf{x}}} \int (F(x))^p \mathbf{d}x, \dots \mathbf{d}x_N < \infty$$



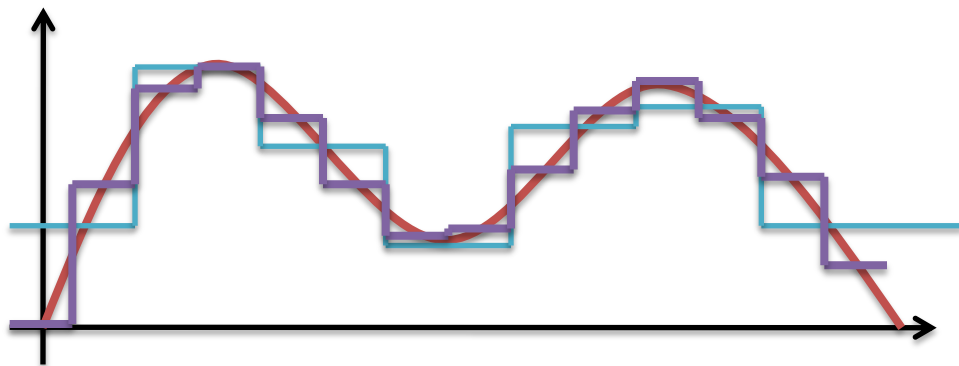
Representation – Blum and Li theorem

- Theorem: $F(x) \in L^2$
 $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \mathbf{w}$
- Proof: $\int_{\mathbf{x}} (F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^2 d\mathbf{x} < \varepsilon$
 - Using the step functions: S
 - From elementary integral theory it is clear every function can be approximated by appropriate step function sequence



Representation – Blum and Li theorem

- This step function can have arbitrary narrow steps
- For example each step could be divided into two sub-steps
- Therefore we can synthesize

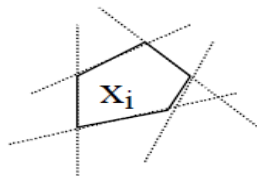
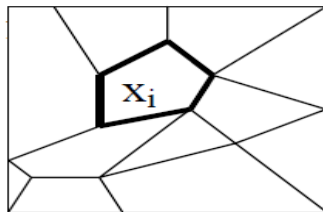


$$I(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in X \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$F(x) \cong \sum_{i=1}^s F(x_i) I(x_i)$$

Representation – Blum and Li theorem

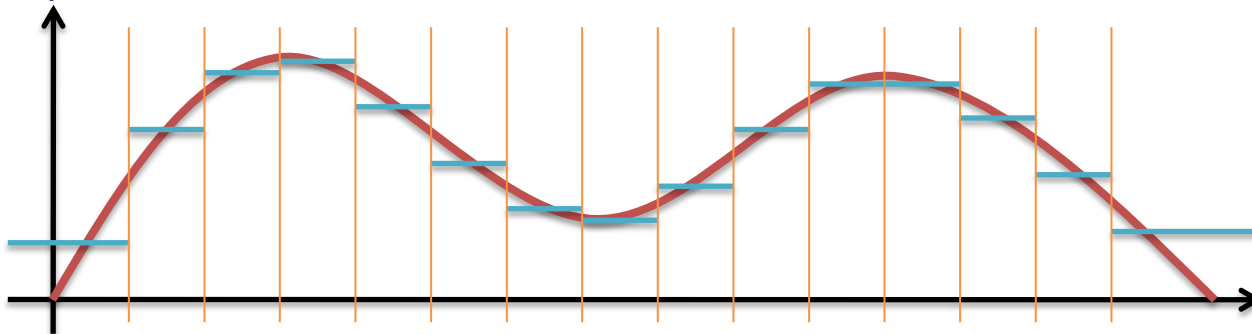
- These steps partition the domain of the function
- One partition can be easily represented by small neural network
 - In two dimension the following figure gives an example



- The borders of the partition are hyper planes which could be represented by one perceptron

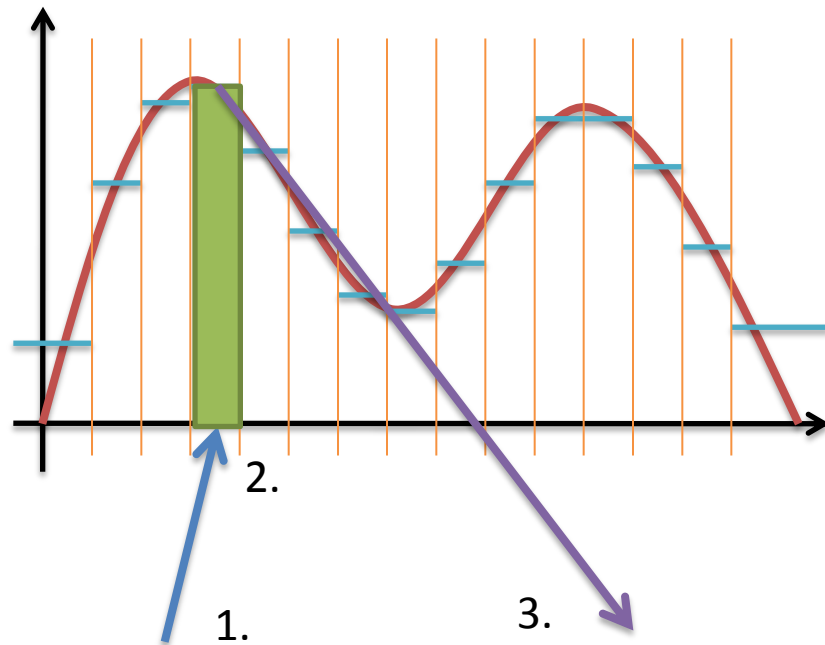
Representation – Blum and Li construction

- The Blum and Li construction is based on the „LEGO” principle
- The approximation of the F function is based on its step functions
- This step function partitions the domain of the original F function
- For each partition there is a neuron responsible for approximation the „step”
- If the input of the FFNN (x) falls into a given range the appropriate approximator neuron has to be selected
- The output of the network should be this selected value



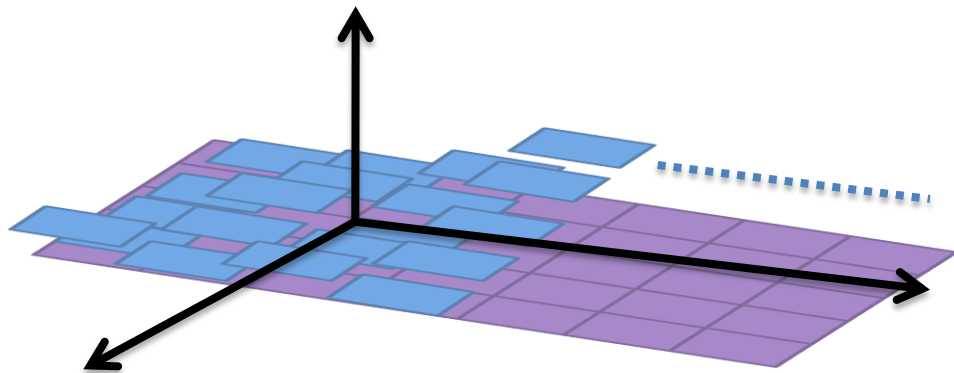
Representation – Blum and Li construction

1. Incoming arbitrary x value
2. The appropriate interval will be selected
3. The response of the network is the response of selected neuron (approximator)



Representation – Blum and Li construction

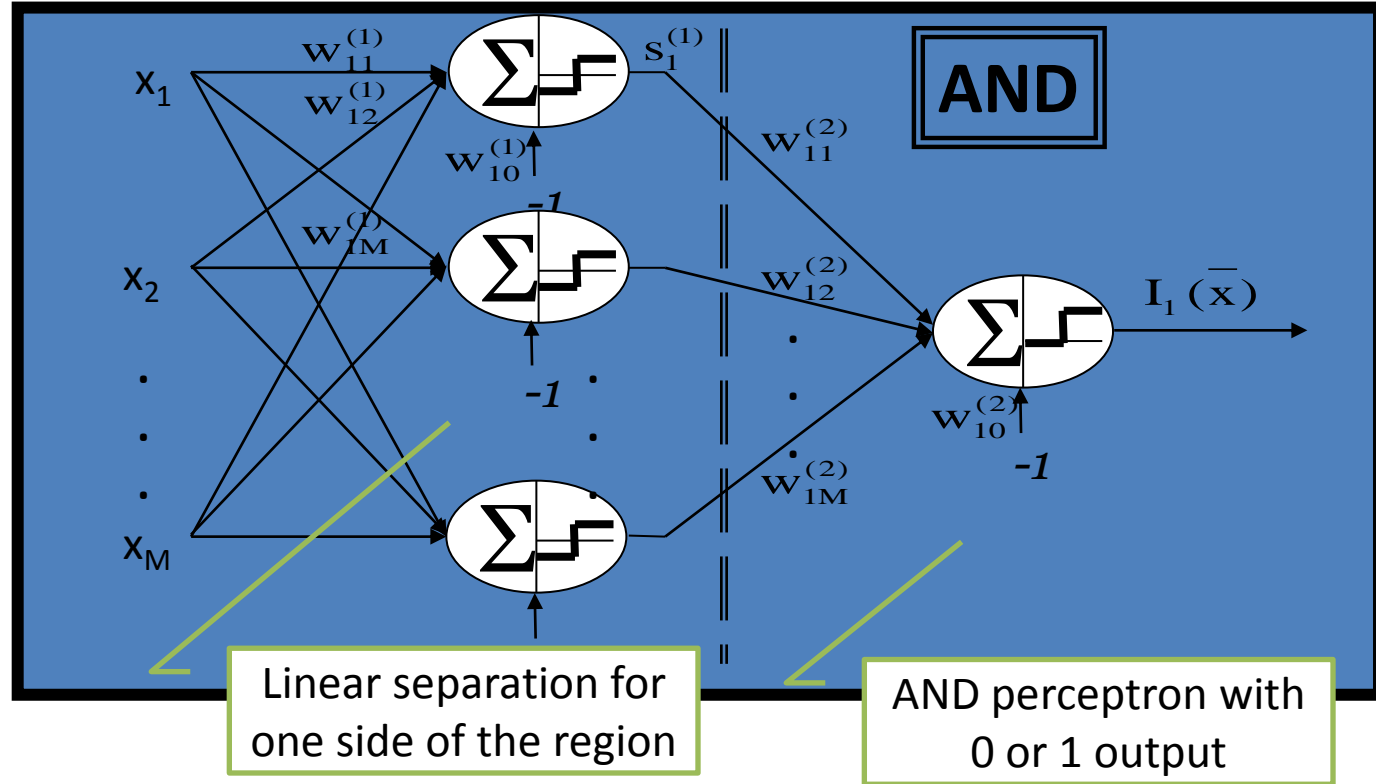
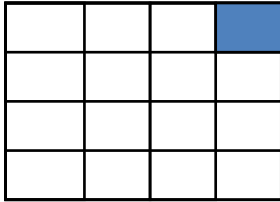
- This construction ...
 - ... has no dimensional limits
 - ... has no equidistance restrictions on tiles (partitions)
 - ... can be further fined, and the approximation can be any precise
- 2 dimensional example
 - The tiles are the top of the columns for each approximation cell





Representation – Blum and Li construction

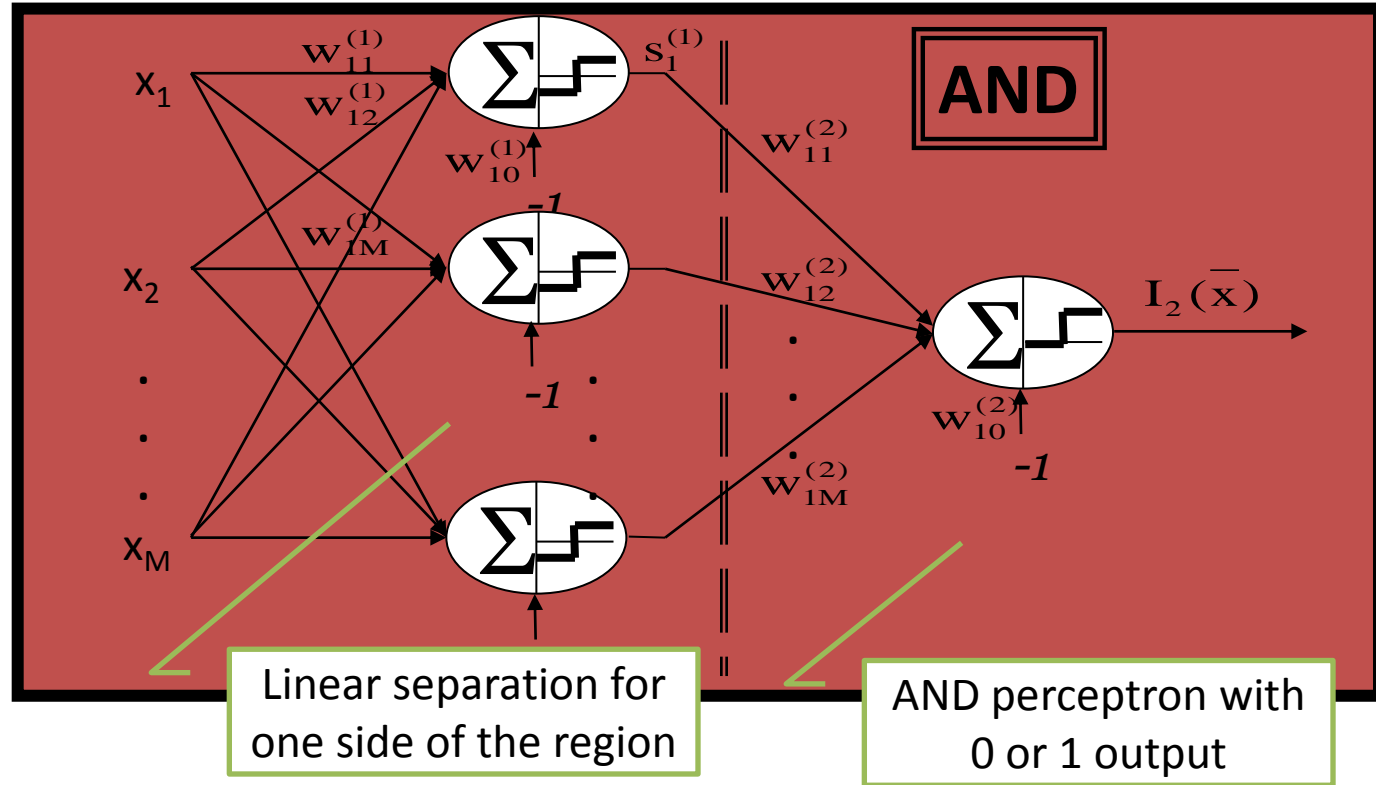
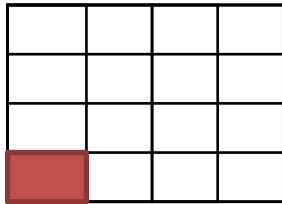
- Construction for one particular region
- The output is I_1 if we are in this region





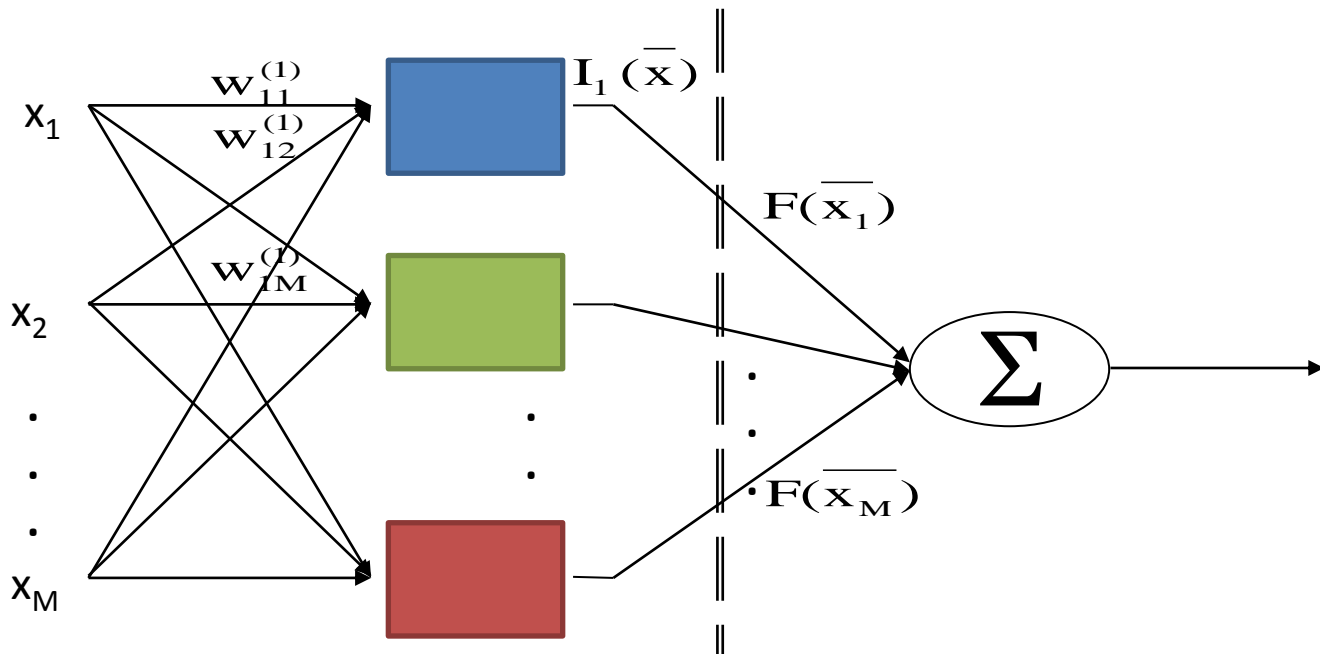
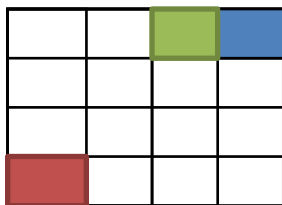
Representation – Blum and Li construction

- Construction for one particular region
- The output is I_2 if we are in this region



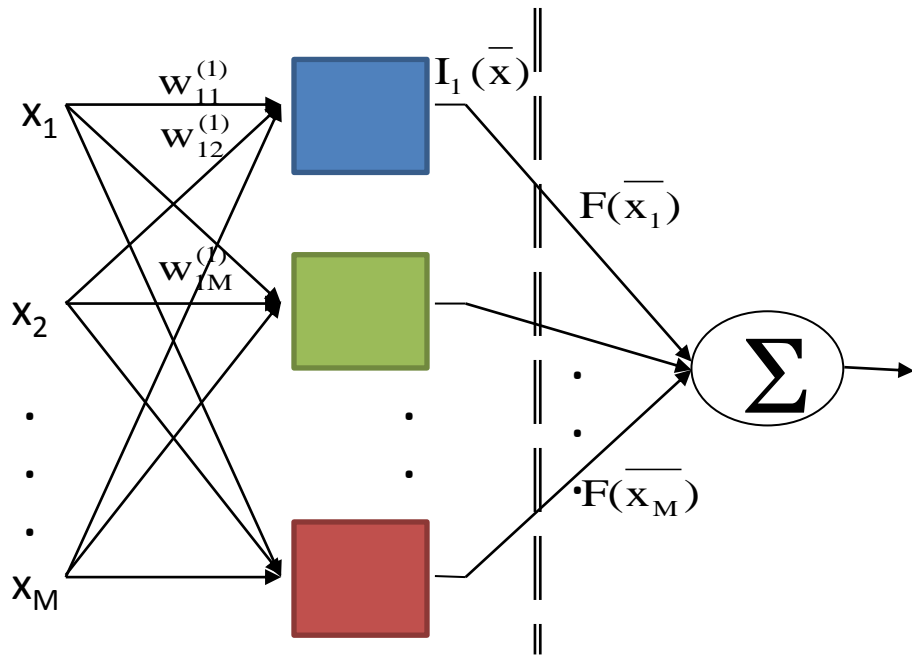
Representation – Blum and Li construction

- Each region is being approximated by a block specified above



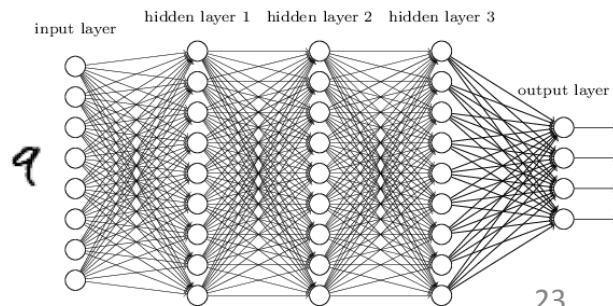
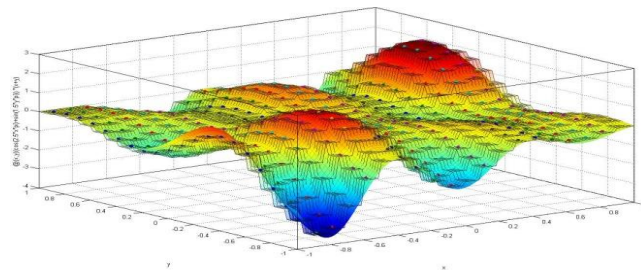
Representation – Blum and Li construction

- Third layer
 - This neuron has linear activation function
 - The weights of this neuron are the approximation values of the F function
 - Thus the approximation for the whole domain of the original F function is done by FFNN



Blum and Li – Limitations

- The size of the FFNN constructed via this method is quite big
- Consider the task on the picture, where let us have 1000 by 1000 cell to approximate the function
- General case:
 ~2 Million neurons are needed
- Smoother approximation needs more
- We are after to find a less complicated architecture





Learning

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{w}} \int \dots \int (\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

- Nor minimization task neither construction is possible most cases
 - Complete information would be needed about $F(x)$, however it is typically unknown
- Weak learning in incomplete environment, instead of using $F(x)$

$$\tau^{(K)} = \{(\mathbf{x}_k, d_k); k = 1, \dots, K\}$$

- A training set is being constructed of observations



Learning

- Rather than minimizing the error function

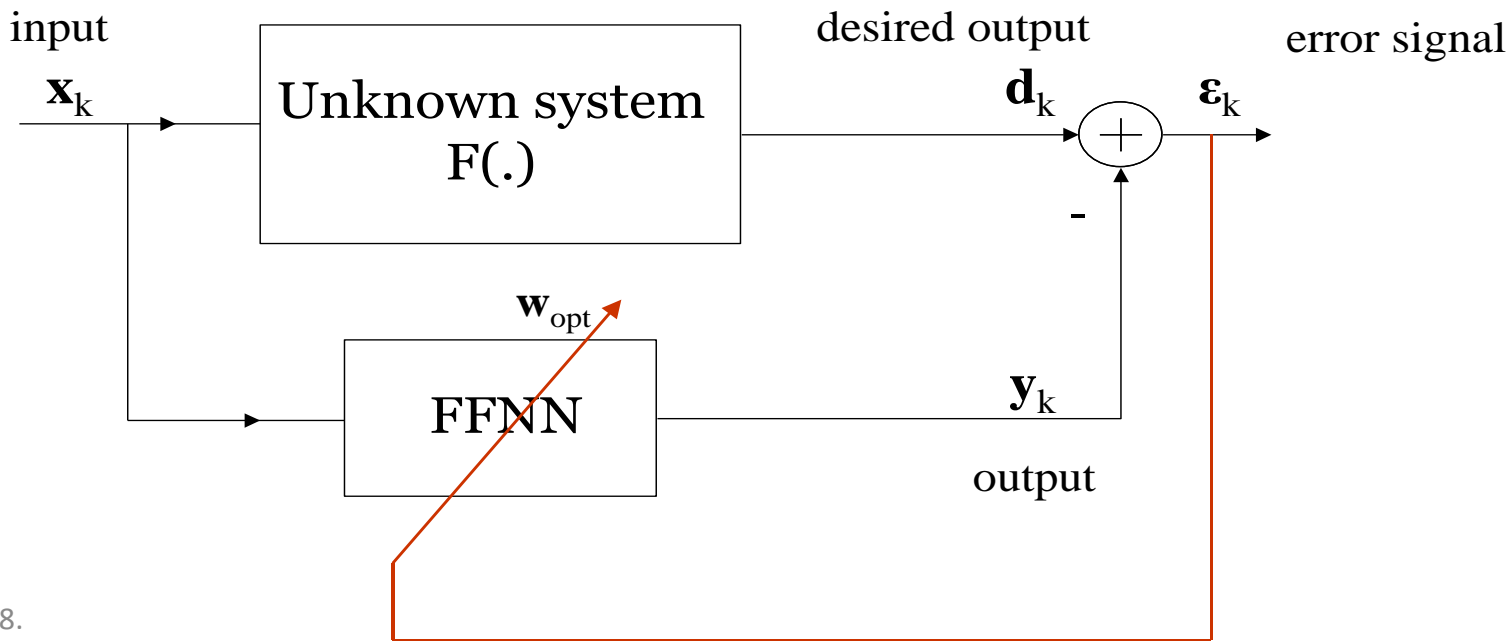
$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \left\| F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{w}} \int \dots \int \left(F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

- The approximation is the best achievable
 - F function is known in a limited positions (training set)

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}}^{(K)} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left(d_k - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2$$

Learning

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{w}} \int \dots \int (\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$





Learning

- The questions are the following
 - What is the relationship of these optimal weights

$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} \overset{???}{\iff} \mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}}^{(K)}$$
$$\mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}}^{(K)} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left(d_k - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2$$

- How this new objective function should be minimized as quickly as possible



Statistical learning theory

- Empirical error

$$R_{emp}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K (d_k - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}))^2$$

- Theoretical error

$$\|F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w})\|^2 = \int \dots \int (F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

- Let us have \mathbf{x}_k random variables subject to uniform distribution



Statistical learning theory

- \mathbf{x}_k random variable, where $d=F(\mathbf{x})$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left(d_k - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 = \mathbb{E} \left(d - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 =$$

$$\int \dots \int \left(F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 p(\mathbf{x}) dx_1 \dots dx_N =$$

$$\frac{1}{|X|} \int \dots \int \left(F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N :$$

Because it is \sim constant due to the uniformity

$$\int \dots \int \left(F(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}) \right)^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$



Statistical learning theory

- Therefore

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}} = \mathbf{w}_{\text{opt}}^{(K)}$$

- Where l.i.m. means: lim in mean

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} R_{\text{emp}}(\mathbf{w}) = R_{\text{th}}(\mathbf{w})$$

$$\lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K (d_k - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}))^2 = \int \dots \int (\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) - \text{Net}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{w}))^2 dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

Weak learning is satisfactory!



Learning – in practice

- Learning based on the training set:

$$\tau^{(K)} = \{(\mathbf{x}_k, d_k); k = 1, \dots, K\}$$

- Minimize the empirical error function (R_{emp})

$$\mathbf{w}_{opt}^{(K)} : \min_{\mathbf{w}} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \underbrace{(d_k - Net(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{w}))^2}_{E_k} = \min_{\mathbf{w}} R_{emp}(\mathbf{w})$$

- Learning is a multivariate optimization task



Learning – Newton method

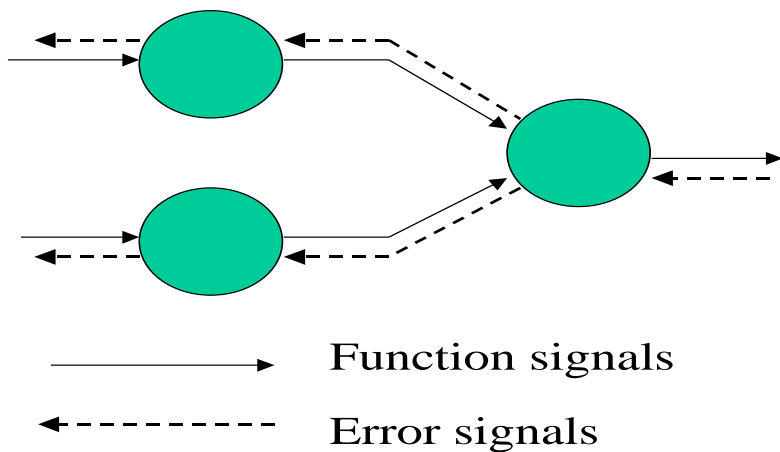
- First order gradient based optimization method:

$$\mathbf{w}(k+1) = \mathbf{w}(k) - \eta \cdot \underset{\mathbf{w}}{\text{grad}} \left\{ R_{\text{emp}}(\mathbf{w}(k)) \right\}$$

- Iterative method
 - Each step modify the weights
 - To reduce the error
- The empirical error of the actual neuron is computed
- The gradient of this error is used to modify the weight

Learning

- The Rosenblatt algorithm is inapplicable,
 - the error and desired output in the hidden layers of the FFNN **is unknown**
- Someway the error of the whole network has to be distributed to the internal neurons, in a feedback way



Forward propagation of
function signals and
back-propagation of
errors signals



Sequential back propagation

- Adapting the weights of the FFNN

$$w_{ij}^{(l)}(k+1) = w_{ij}^{(l)}(k) + \Delta w_{ij}^{(l)}(k)$$

$$\Delta w_{ij}^{(l)}(k) = ?$$

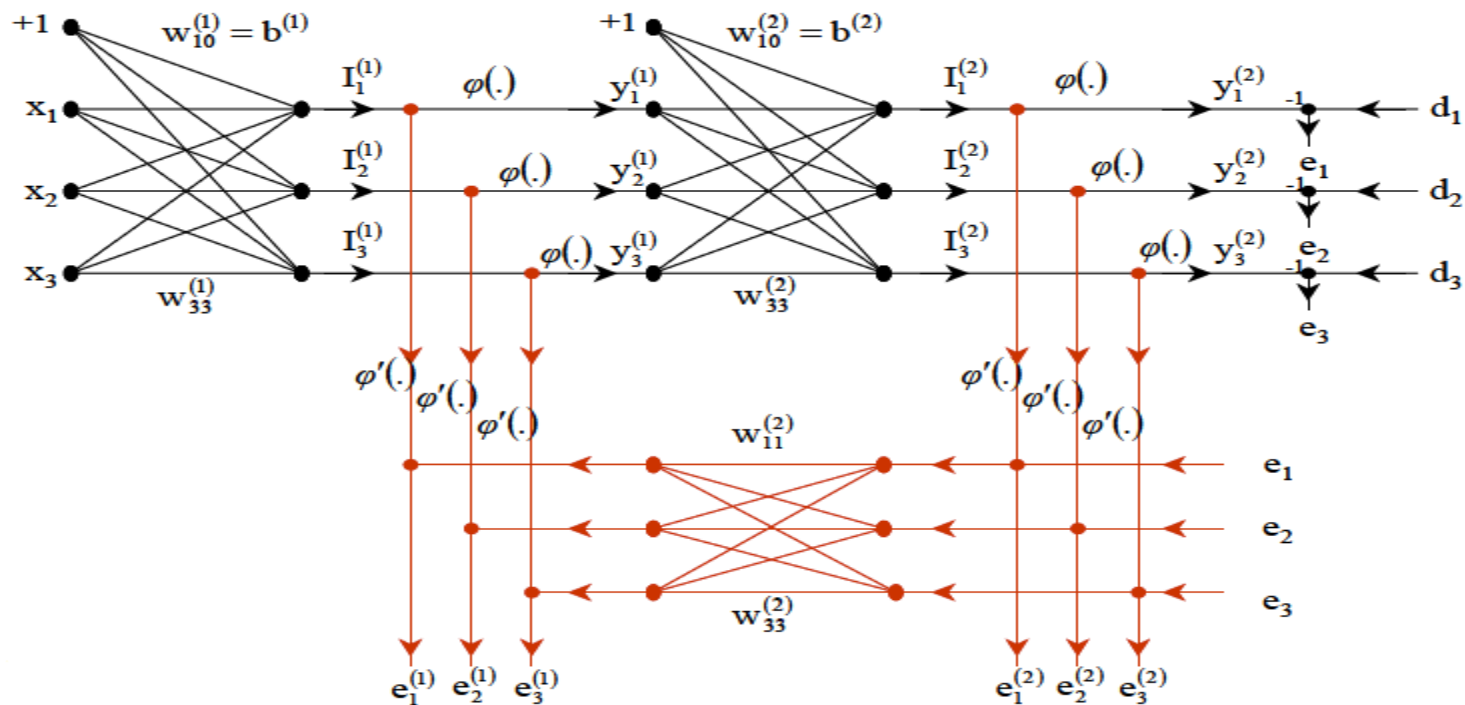
- The weights are modified towards the differential of the error function:

$$\Delta w_{ij}^{(l)} = -\eta \frac{\partial R_{emp}}{\partial w_{ij}^{(l)}}$$

- The elements of the training set adapted by the FFNN sequentially

$$R_{emp} = R_{emp}(y(\mathbf{x}), d)$$

Propagation and back propagation





Sequential or batch training mode

- Sequential mode:
 - For each training vector both the forward and the backward propagation is done one after the other
 - Weights are updated after each input
- Batch mode:
 - All the training vectors are applied, and the total error of the training set is calculated
 - The weight updates are calculated with the accumulated error

Literature

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