
Classification

Neural Networks 1

Neural networks

- Topics
 - Perceptrons
 - ◆ structure
 - ◆ training
 - ◆ expressiveness
 - Multilayer networks
 - ◆ possible structures
 - activation functions
 - ◆ training with gradient descent and backpropagation
 - ◆ expressiveness

Connectionist models

- Consider humans:
 - Neuron switching time ~ 0.001 second
 - Number of neurons $\sim 10^{10}$
 - Connections per neuron $\sim 10^{4-5}$
 - Scene recognition time ~ 0.1 second
 - 100 inference steps doesn't seem like enough
- ⇒ Massively parallel computation

Neural networks

- Properties:
 - Many neuron-like threshold switching units
 - Many weighted interconnections among units
 - Highly parallel, distributed process
 - Emphasis on tuning weights automatically

Neural network application

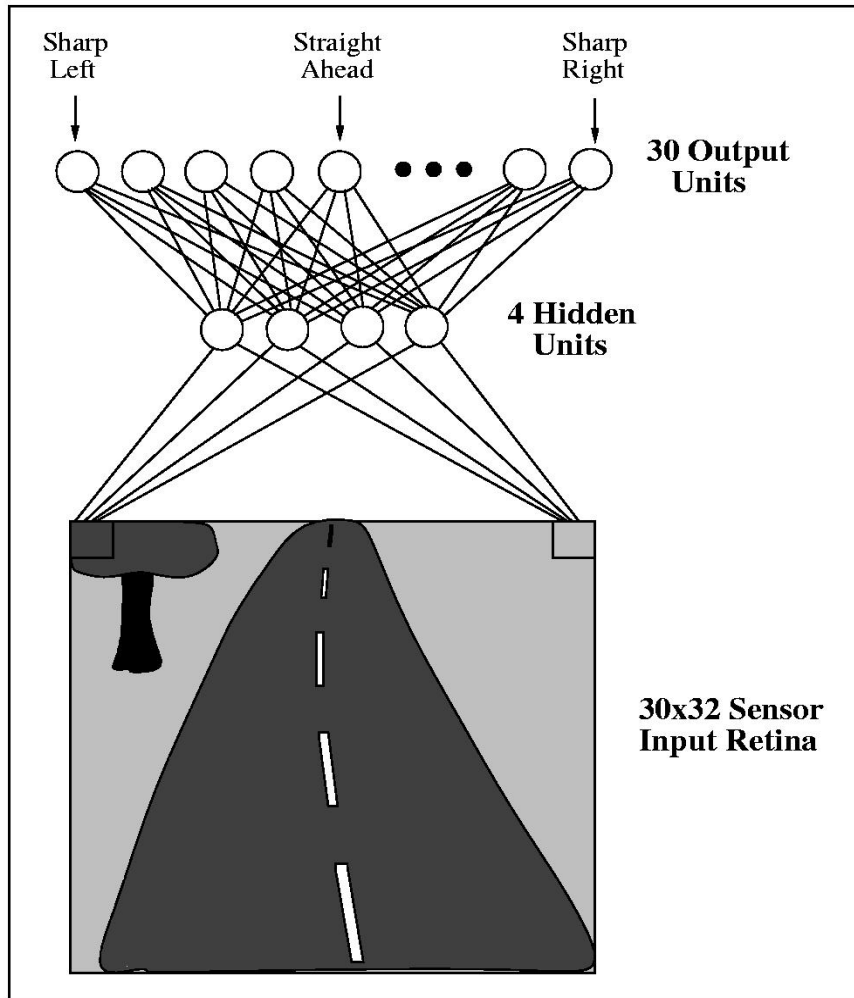
ALVINN: An Autonomous Land Vehicle In a Neural Network

(Carnegie Mellon University Robotics Institute, 1989-1997)

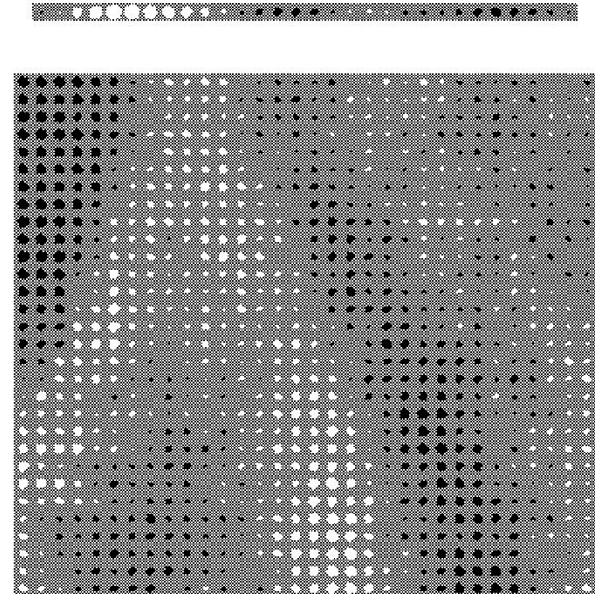
ALVINN is a perception system which learns to control the NAVLAB vehicles by watching a person drive. ALVINN's architecture consists of a single hidden layer back-propagation network. The input layer of the network is a 30x32 unit two dimensional "retina" which receives input from the vehicles video camera. Each input unit is fully connected to a layer of five hidden units which are in turn fully connected to a layer of 30 output units. The output layer is a linear representation of the direction the vehicle should travel in order to keep the vehicle on the road.



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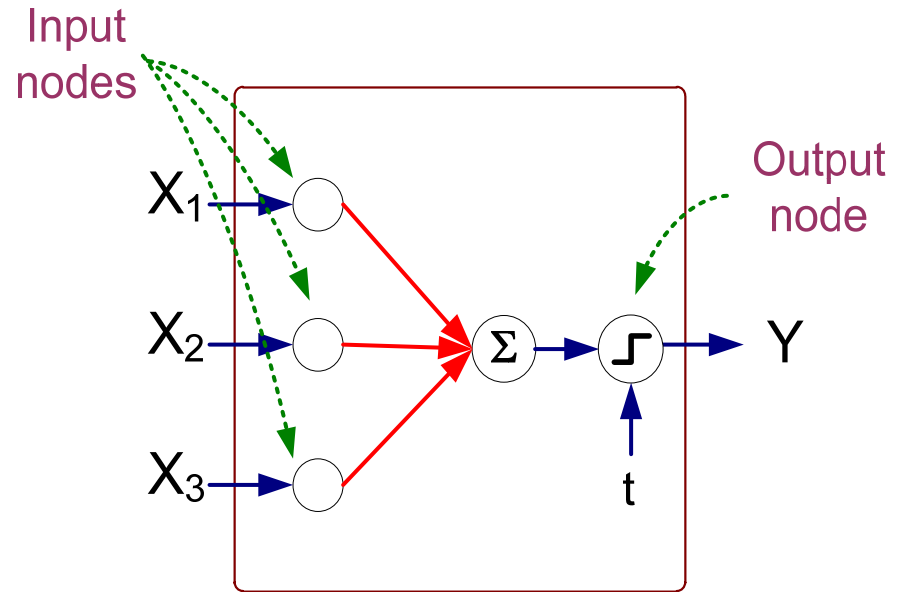


**ALVINN drives 70 mph
on highways!**



Perceptron structure

- Model is an assembly of nodes connected by weighted links
- Output node sums up its input values according to the weights of their links
- Output node sum then compared against some threshold t

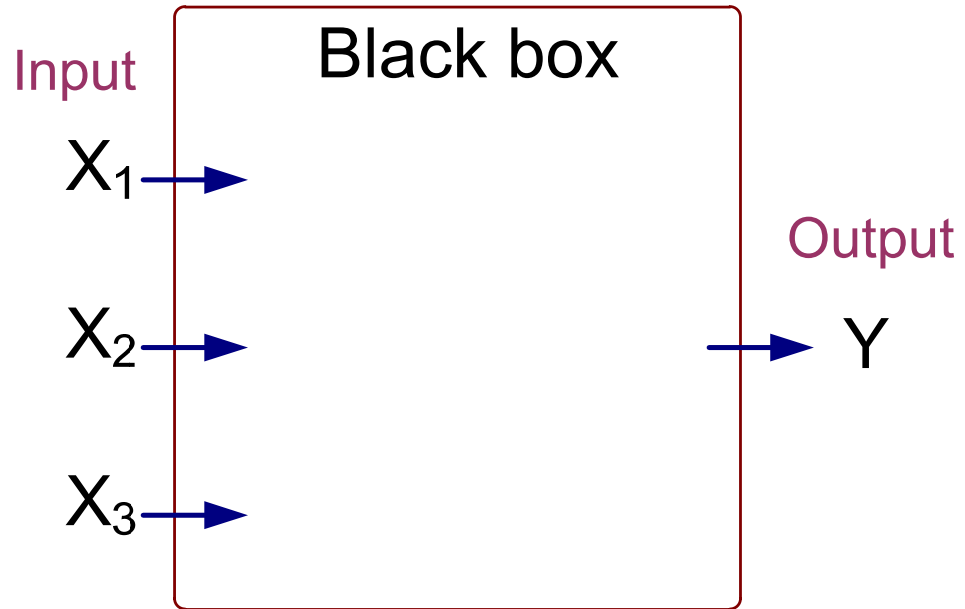


$$y = I\left(\sum_j w_j x_j - t\right) \quad \text{or}$$

$$y = \text{sign}\left(\sum_j w_j x_j - t\right)$$

Example: modeling a Boolean function

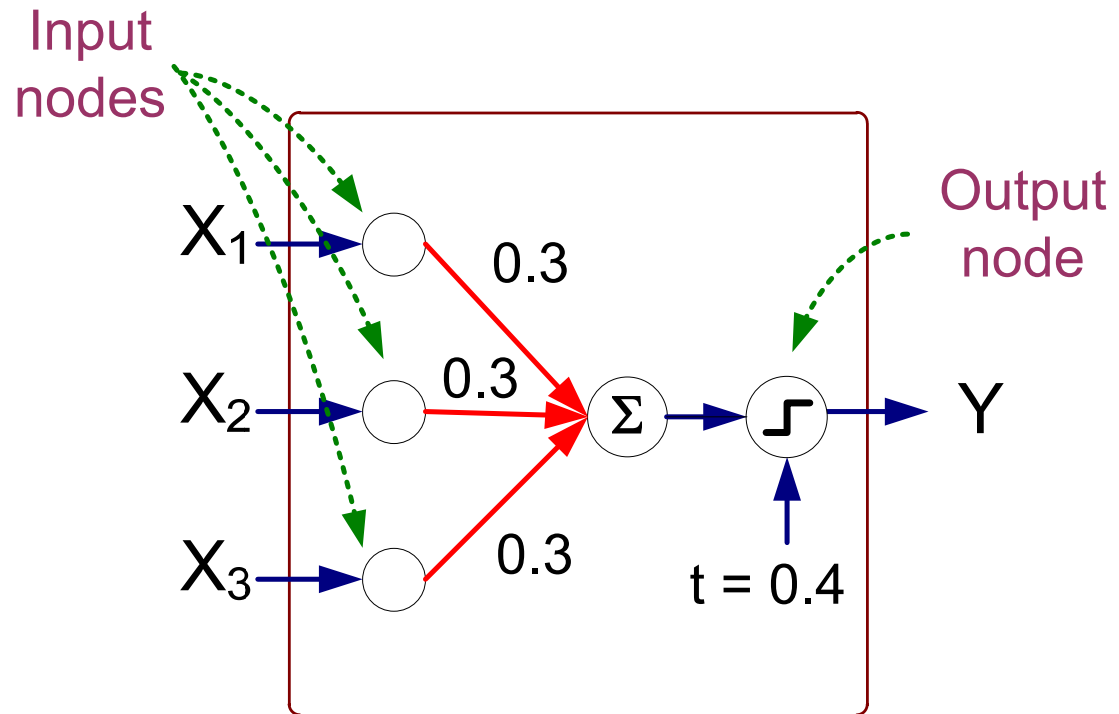
X_1	X_2	X_3	Y
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
0	0	0	0



Output Y is 1 if at least two of the three inputs are equal to 1.

Perceptron model

X_1	X_2	X_3	Y
1	0	0	0
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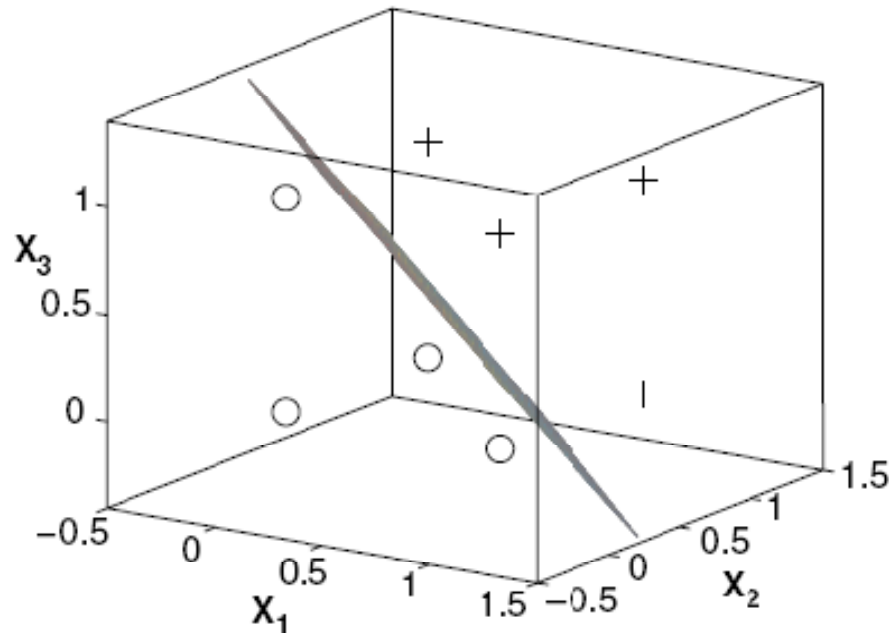


$$y = I(0.3x_1 + 0.3x_2 + 0.3x_3 > 0.4)$$

$$\text{where } I(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } z \text{ is true} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Perceptron decision boundary

Perceptron decision boundaries are **linear**
(hyperplanes in higher dimensions)

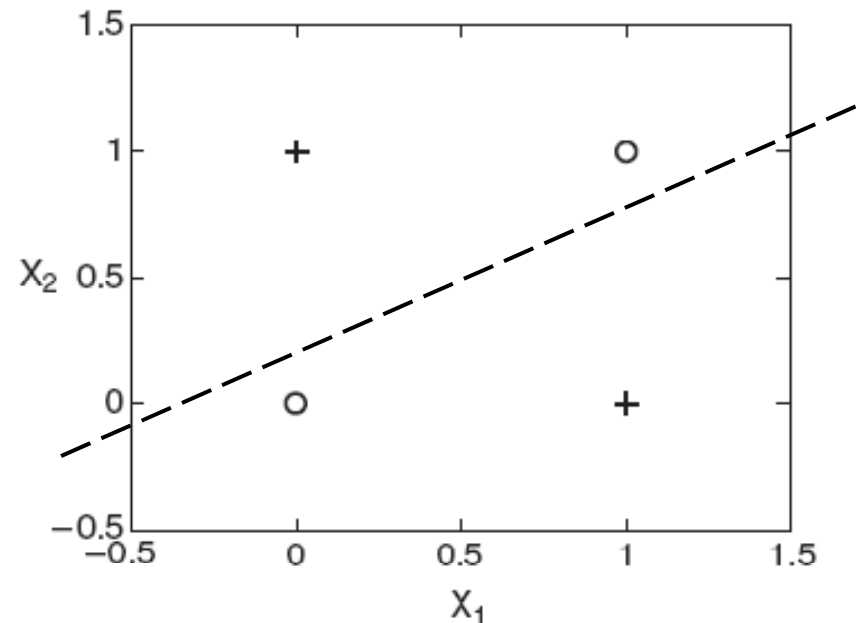


Example: decision surface for Boolean function on preceding slides

Expressiveness of perceptrons

- Can model any function where positive and negative examples are linearly separable
 - Examples: Boolean AND, OR, NAND, NOR
- Cannot (fully) model functions which are not linearly separable.
 - Example: Boolean XOR

X_1	X_2	y
0	0	-1
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	-1



Perceptron training process

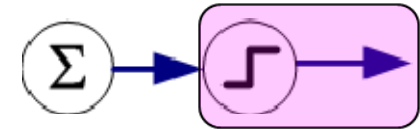
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2. Do
 - a. Apply perceptron to each training example.
 - b. If example is misclassified, modify weights.
3. Until all examples are correctly classified, or process has converged.

Perceptron training process

- Two rules for modifying weights during training:

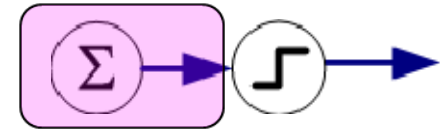
- Perceptron training rule

- ◆ train on thresholded outputs
- ◆ driven by *binary* differences between correct and predicted outputs
- ◆ modify weights with incremental updates



- Delta rule

- ◆ train on unthresholded outputs
- ◆ driven by *continuous* differences between correct and predicted outputs
- ◆ modify weights via gradient descent



Perceptron training rule

1. Initialize weights with random values.
2. Do
 - a. Apply perceptron to each training sample x_i .
 - b. **If sample x_i is misclassified, modify all weights w_j .**

$$w_j \leftarrow w_j + \eta(y_i - \hat{y}_i)x_{ij} \quad \text{where}$$

x_{ij} is input j from sample x_i

y_i is target (correct) output for sample x_i (0 or 1)

\hat{y}_i is thresholded perceptron output (0 or 1)

η is learning rate (a small constant)

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Perceptron training rule

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Examples:

$y_i = \hat{y}_i$ no update

$y_i - \hat{y}_i = 1$; x_{ij} small, positive w_j increased by small amount

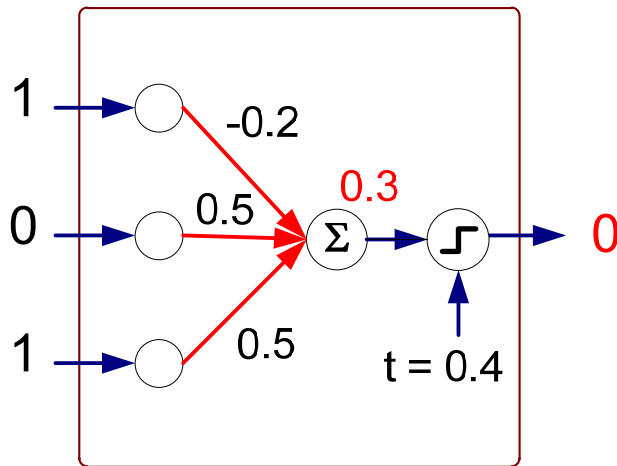
$y_i - \hat{y}_i = 1$; x_{ij} large, negative w_j decreased by large amount

$y_i - \hat{y}_i = -1$; x_{ij} large, negative w_j increased by large amount

Perceptron training rule

- Example of processing one sample

X_1	X_2	X_3	Y
1	0	1	1



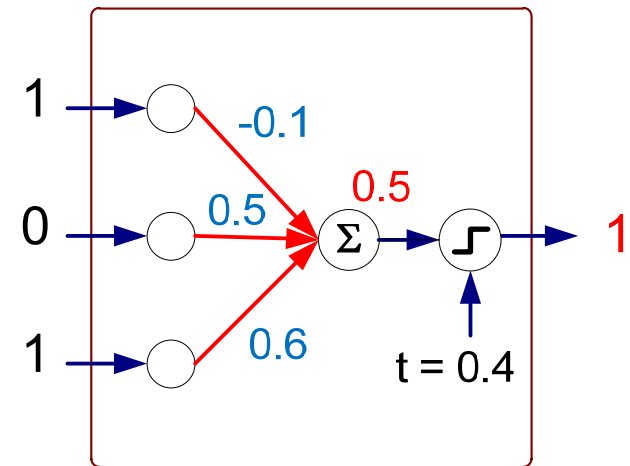
$$\eta = 0.1$$

$$y_i - \hat{y}_i = 1$$

$$\eta(y_i - \hat{y}_i)x_{i1} = 0.1$$

$$\eta(y_i - \hat{y}_i)x_{i2} = 0.0$$

$$\eta(y_i - \hat{y}_i)x_{i3} = 0.1$$



Delta training rule

- Based on squared error function for weight vector:

$$E(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (y_i - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i)^2$$

Note that error is difference between correct output and unthresholded sum of inputs, a continuous quantity (rather than *binary* difference between correct output and thresholded output).

- Weights are modified by descending gradient of error function.

Squared error function for weight vector w

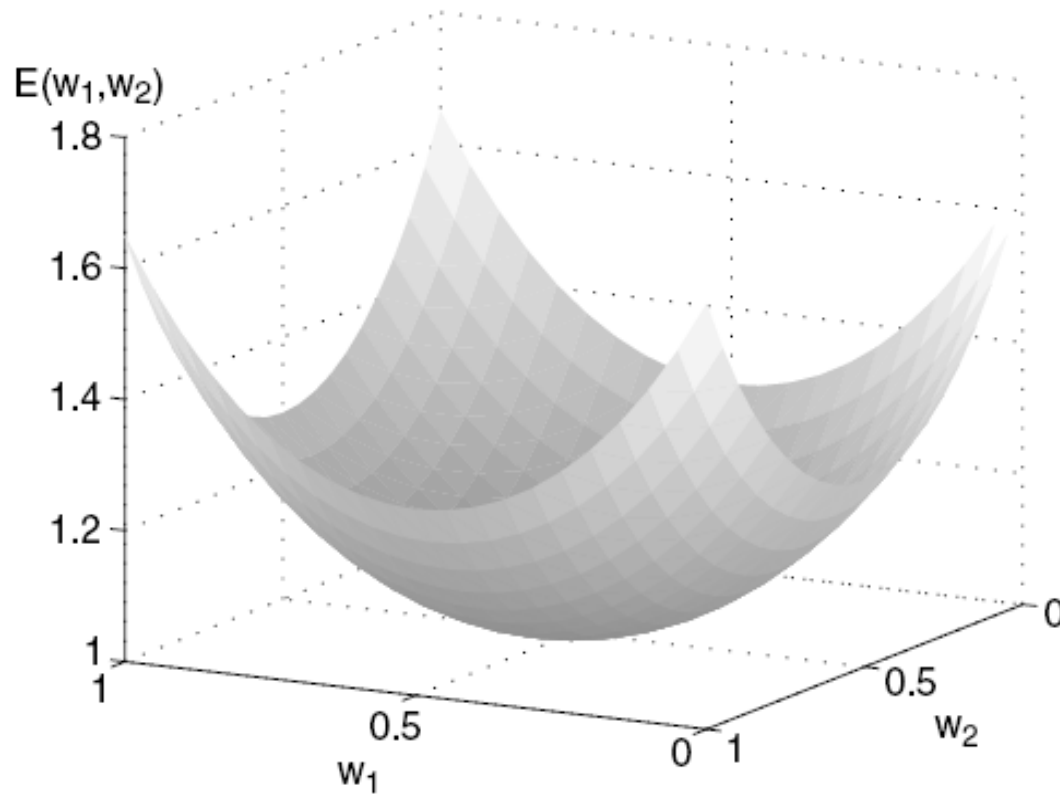


Figure 5.20. Error surface $E(w_1, w_2)$ for a two-parameter model.

Gradient of error function

Gradient :

$$\nabla E(\mathbf{w}) = \left[\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_0}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_d} \right]$$

Training rule for \mathbf{w} :

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = -\eta \nabla E(\mathbf{w})$$

Training rule for individual weight :

$$\Delta w_j = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j}$$

Gradient of squared error function

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_i 2(y_i - \hat{y}_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \\ &= \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \frac{\partial}{\partial w_j} (y_i - \mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x}_i)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_j} = \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(-x_{ij})$$

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Gradient descent: batch vs. incremental

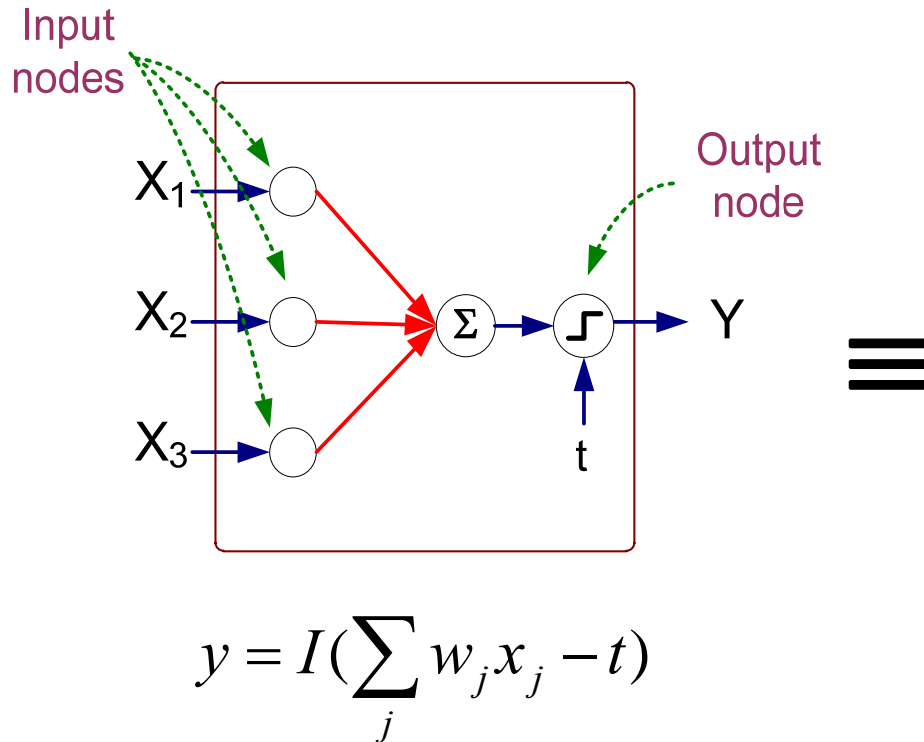
- Incremental mode (illustrated on preceding slides)
 - Compute error and weight updates for a single sample.
 - Apply updates to weights before processing next sample.

- Batch mode
 - Compute errors and weight updates for a block of samples (maybe all samples).
 - Apply all updates simultaneously to weights.

Perceptron training rule vs. delta rule

- Perceptron training rule guaranteed to correctly classify all training samples if:
 - Samples are linearly separable.
 - Learning rate η is sufficiently small.
- Delta rule uses gradient descent. Guaranteed to converge to hypothesis with minimum squared error if:
 - Learning rate η is sufficiently small.Even when:
 - Training data contains noise.
 - Training data not linearly separable.

Equivalence of perceptron and linear models



Linear Regression of 0/1 Response

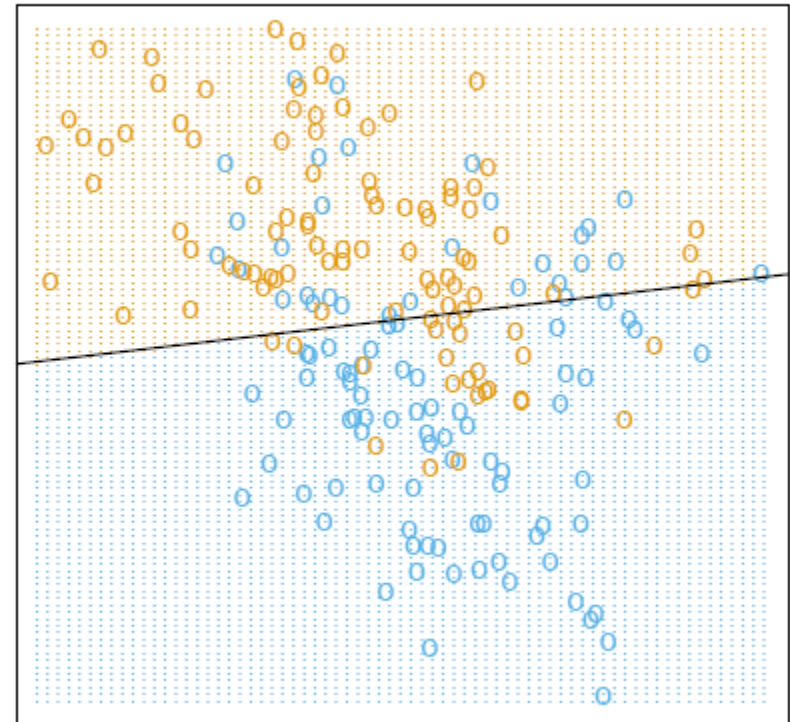


FIGURE 2.1. A classification example in two dimensions. The classes are coded as a binary variable (BLUE = 0, ORANGE = 1), and then fit by linear regression. The line is the decision boundary defined by $x^T \hat{\beta} = 0.5$. The orange shaded region denotes that part of input space classified as ORANGE, while the blue region is classified as BLUE.