

# Computational Intelligence

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## Classification

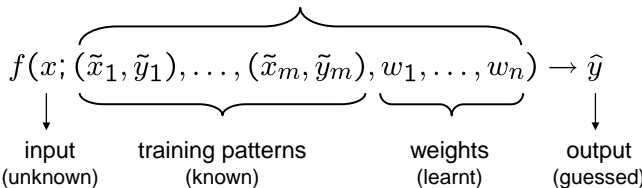
given: set of training patterns (input / output)

output = label  
(e.g. class A, class B, ...)

$\tilde{x}_i$   $\tilde{y}_i$

parameters

phase I:  
train network



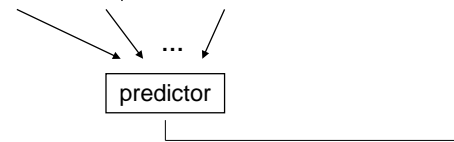
phase II:  
apply network to unknown inputs for classification

## Prediction of Time Series

time series  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots$  (e.g. temperatures, exchange rates, ...)

task: given a subset of historical data, predict the future

$$f(x_{t-k}, x_{t-k+1}, \dots, x_t; w_1, \dots, w_n) \rightarrow \hat{x}_{t+\tau}$$



phase I:  
train network

phase II:  
apply network to historical inputs for predicting unknown outputs

training patterns:

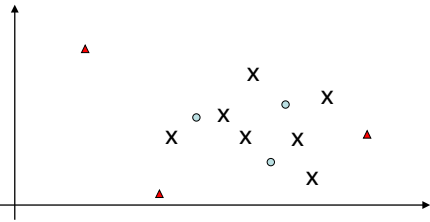
historical data where true output is known;

$$\text{error per pattern} = (\hat{x}_{t+\tau} - x_{t+\tau})^2$$

**Function Approximation** (the general case)

task: given training patterns (input / output), approximate unknown function  
 → should give outputs close to true unknown function for arbitrary inputs

- values between training patterns are **interpolated**
- values outside convex hull of training patterns are **extrapolated**



x : input training pattern  
 o : input pattern where output to be interpolated  
 ▲ : input pattern where output to be extrapolated

**Definition:**

A function  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is termed **radial basis function** iff  $\exists \phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \phi(x; c) = \phi(\|x - c\|)$ . □

**Definition:**

**RBF local** iff  $\phi(r) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$  □

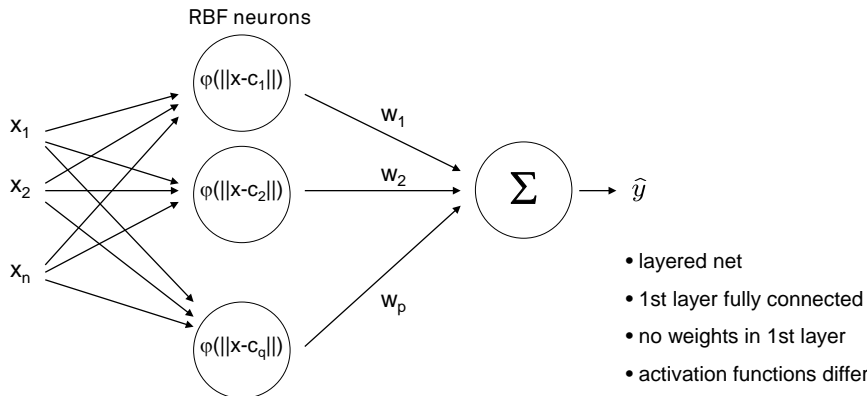
typically,  $\|x\|$  denotes Euclidean norm of vector x

**examples:**

$\phi(r) = \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$	Gaussian	unbounded	} local
$\phi(r) = \frac{3}{4}(1-r^2) \cdot 1_{\{r \leq 1\}}$	Epanechnikov	bounded	
$\phi(r) = \frac{\pi}{4} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}r\right) \cdot 1_{\{r \leq 1\}}$	Cosine	bounded	

**Definition:**

A function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is termed **radial basis function net (RBF net)** iff  $f(x) = w_1 \phi(\|x - c_1\|) + w_2 \phi(\|x - c_2\|) + \dots + w_p \phi(\|x - c_q\|)$  □



given : N training patterns  $(x_i, y_i)$  and q RBF neurons  
 find : weights  $w_1, \dots, w_q$  with minimal error

**solution:**

we know that  $f(x_i) = y_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, N$  or equivalently

$$\sum_{k=1}^q w_k \cdot \underbrace{\phi(\|x_i - c_k\|)}_{p_{ik}} = \underbrace{y_i}_{\text{known value}}$$

↓ unknown
↓ known value
↓ known value

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^q w_k \cdot p_{ik} = y_i \quad \Rightarrow \text{N linear equations with q unknowns}$$

**in matrix form:**  $P w = y$  with  $P = (p_{ik})$  and  $P: N \times q$ ,  $y: N \times 1$ ,  $w: q \times 1$ ,

**case  $N = q$ :**  $w = P^{-1} y$  if  $P$  has full rank

**case  $N < q$ :** many solutions but of no practical relevance

**case  $N > q$ :**  $w = P^+ y$  where  $P^+$  is Moore-Penrose pseudo inverse

$P w = y$  |  $\cdot P^t$  from left hand side ( $P^t$  is transpose of  $P$ )

$P^t P w = P^t y$  |  $\cdot (P^t P)^{-1}$  from left hand side

$(P^t P)^{-1} P^t P w = (P^t P)^{-1} P^t y$  | simplify

$\underbrace{(P^t P)^{-1} P^t P}_{\text{unit matrix}} w = \underbrace{(P^t P)^{-1} P^t}_{P^+} y$

**complexity (naive)**

$$w = (P^t P)^{-1} P^t y$$

$P^t P: N^2 q$

inversion:  $q^3$

$P^t y: qN$

multiplication:  $q^2$

$O(N^2 q)$

**remark:** if  $N$  large then inaccuracies for  $P^t P$  likely

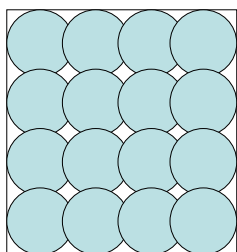
$\Rightarrow$  first analytic solution, then gradient descent starting from this solution

requires  
differentiable  
basis functions!

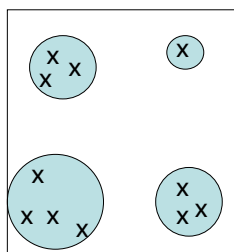
**so far:** tacitly assumed that RBF neurons are given

$\Rightarrow$  center  $c_k$  and radii  $\sigma$  considered given and known

**how** to choose  $c_k$  and  $\sigma$  ?



uniform covering



if training patterns inhomogenously distributed then first cluster analysis

choose center of basis function from each cluster, use cluster size for setting  $\sigma$

**advantages:**

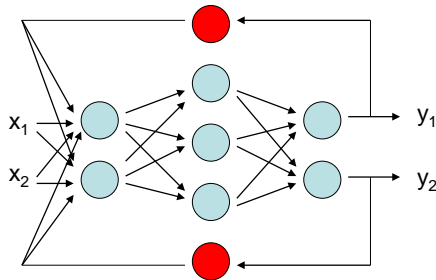
- additional training patterns  $\rightarrow$  only local adjustment of weights
- optimal weights determinable in polynomial time
- regions not supported by RBF net can be identified by zero outputs

**disadvantages:**

- number of neurons increases exponentially with input dimension
- unable to extrapolate (since there are no centers and RBFs are local)

**Jordan nets** (1986)• **context neuron:**

reads output from some neuron at step  $t$  and feeds value into net at step  $t+1$

**Jordan net =**

MLP + context neuron  
for each output,  
context neurons fully  
connected to input layer

**Elman nets** (1990)**Elman net =**

MLP + context neuron for each neuron output of MLP,  
context neurons fully connected to associated MLP layer

**Training?**

⇒ unfolding in time (“loop unrolling“)

- identical MLPs serially connected (finitely often)
- results in a large MLP with many hidden (inner) layers
- backpropagation may take a long time
- but reasonable if most recent past more important than layers far away

**Why using backpropagation?**

⇒ use *Evolutionary Algorithms* directly on recurrent MLP!

later!