

# Computational Intelligence

Winter Term 2011/12

Prof. Dr. Günter Rudolph

Lehrstuhl für Algorithm Engineering (LS 11)

Fakultät für Informatik

TU Dortmund

- Application Fields of ANNs
  - Classification
  - Prediction
  - Function Approximation
- Radial Basis Function Nets (RBF Nets)
  - Model
  - Training
- Recurrent MLP
  - Elman Nets
  - Jordan Nets

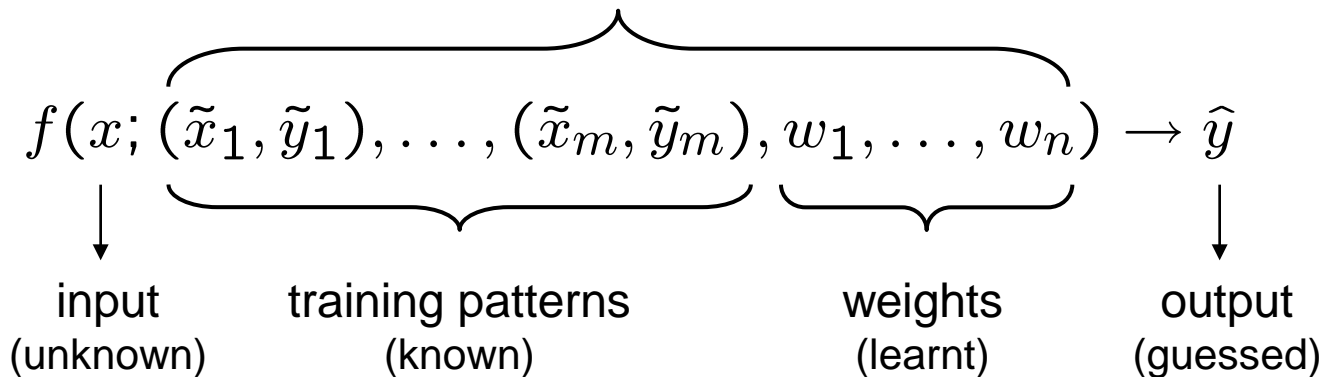
## Classification

given: set of training patterns (input / output)

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

$$\begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ \tilde{x}_i & \tilde{y}_i \end{array}$$

parameters



**phase I:**

train network

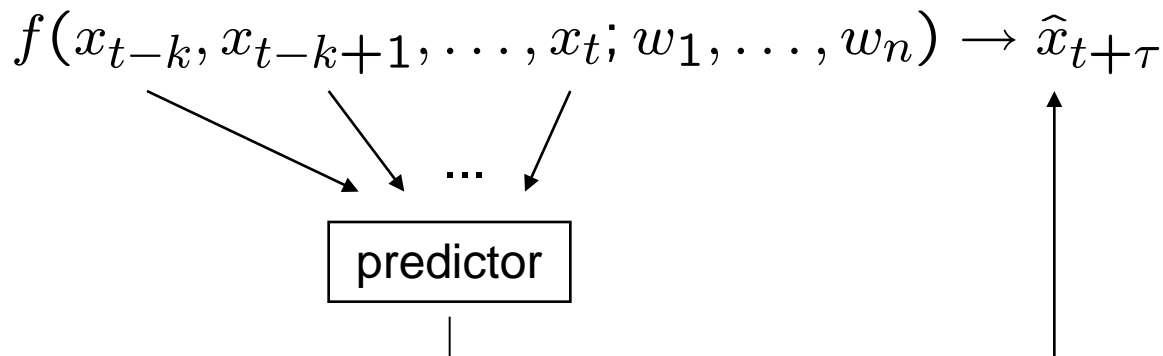
**phase II:**

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



training patterns:

historical data where true output is known;

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

**phase I:**

train network

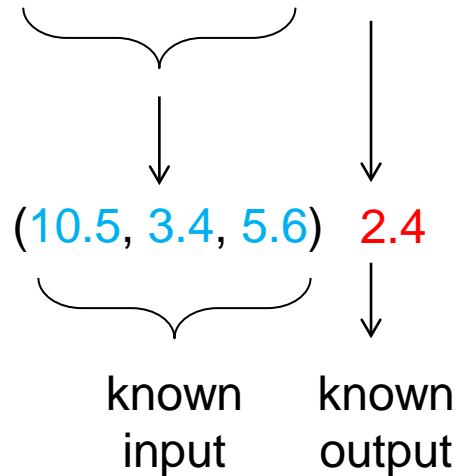
**phase II:**

apply network  
to historical  
inputs for  
predicting  
unkown  
outputs

## Prediction of Time Series: Example for Creating Training Data

given: time series 10.5, 3.4, 5.6, 2.4, 5.9, 8.4, 3.9, 4.4, 1.7

time window:  $k=3$



first input / output pair

further input / output pairs:

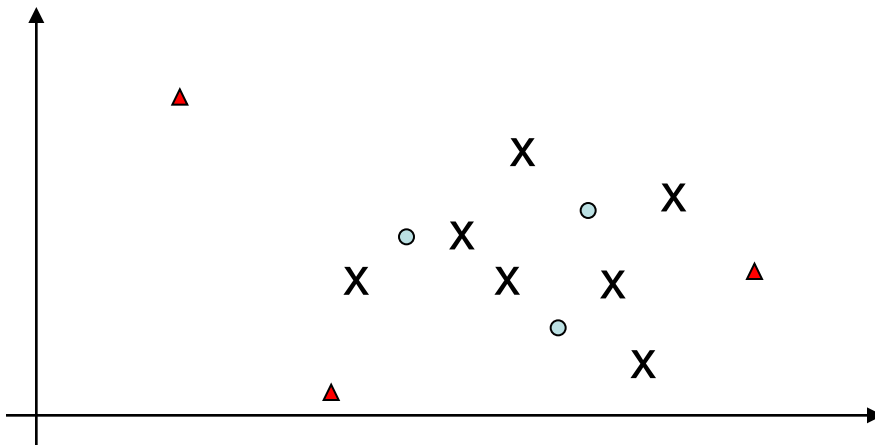
(3.4, 5.6, 2.4)	5.9
(5.6, 2.4, 5.9)	8.4
(2.4, 5.9, 8.4)	3.9
(5.9, 8.4, 3.9)	4.4
(8.4, 3.9, 4.4)	1.7

## 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  $\exists \varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \phi(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{c}) = \varphi ( \| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c} \| )$ .  $\square$

### Definition:

RBF **local** iff  $\varphi(r) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$   $\square$

typically,  $\| \mathbf{x} \|$  denotes Euclidean norm of vector  $\mathbf{x}$

### examples:

$$\varphi(r) = \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

Gaussian

unbounded

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{3}{4} (1 - r^2) \cdot 1_{\{r \leq 1\}}$$

Epanechnikov

bounded

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{\pi}{4} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} r\right) \cdot 1_{\{r \leq 1\}}$$

Cosine

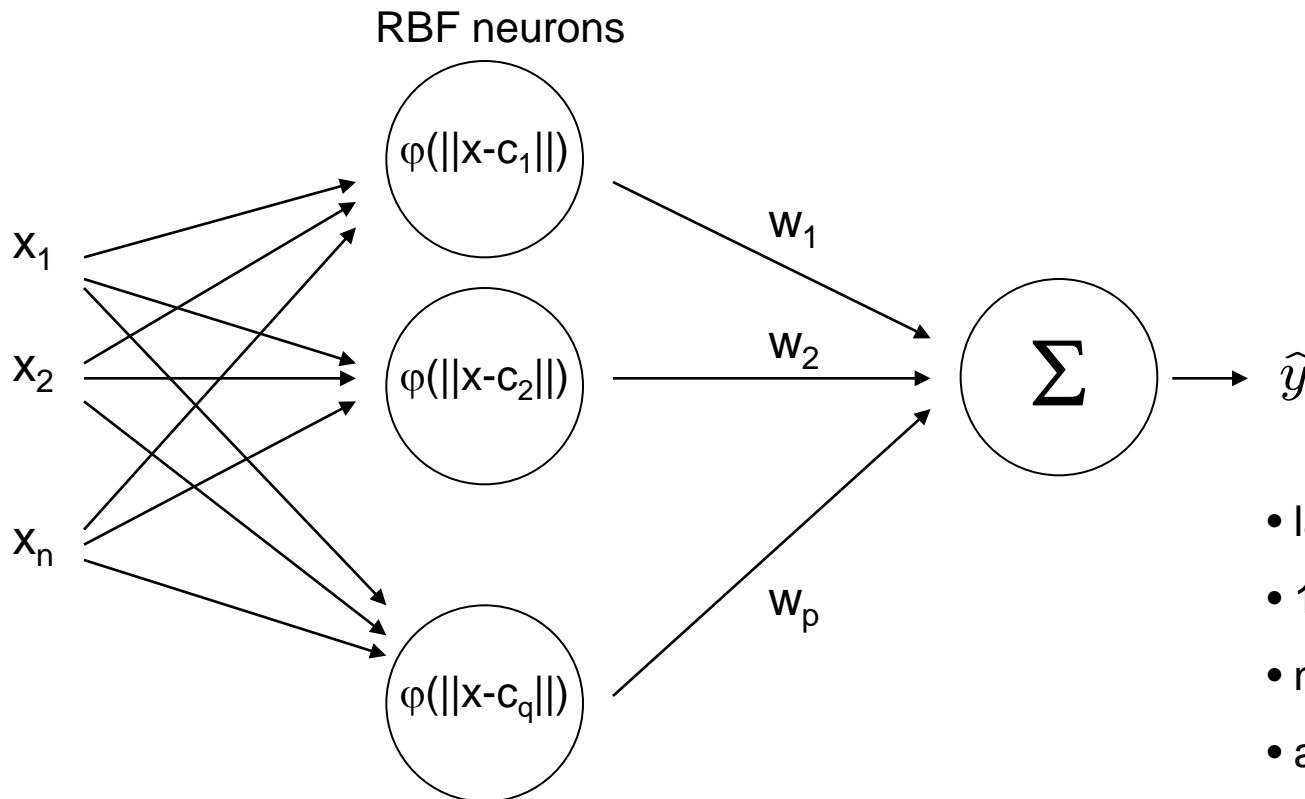
bounded

local

**Definition:**

A function  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is termed **radial basis function net (RBF net)**

iff  $f(x) = w_1 \varphi(\|x - c_1\|) + w_2 \varphi(\|x - c_2\|) + \dots + w_p \varphi(\|x - c_q\|)$   $\square$



- layered net
- 1st layer fully connected
- no weights in 1st layer
- activation functions differ



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

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

↓
↓
↓

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

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

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

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

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$   
unit matrix

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$   
 $P^+$

**complexity (naive)**

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

$P^T P$ :  $N^2 q$

inversion:  $q^3$

$P^T y$ :  $qN$

multiplication:  $q^2$

$O(N^2 q)$

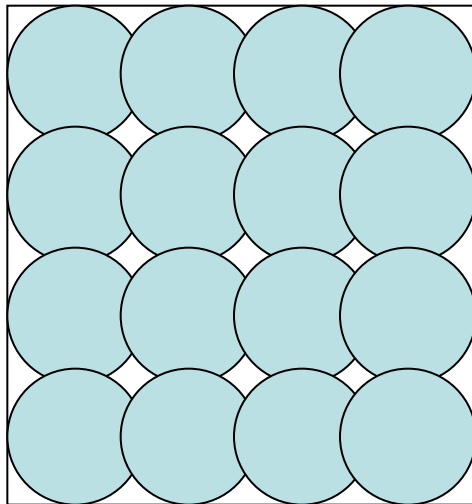
**remark:** if  $N$  large then inaccuracies for  $P^T P$  likely

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

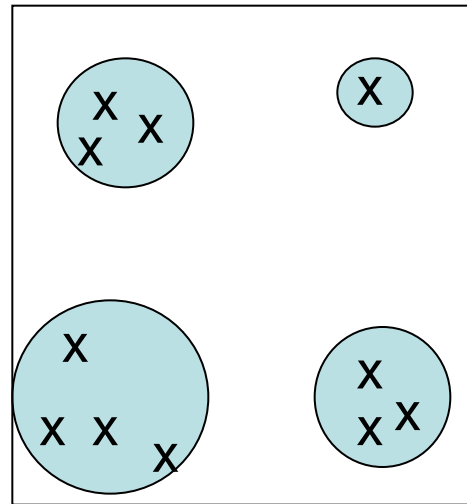
requires  
differentiable  
basis functions!

**so far:** tacitly assumed that RBF neurons are given  
⇒ 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 → only local adjustment of weights
- optimal weights determinable in polynomial time
- regions not supported by RBF net can be identified by zero outputs

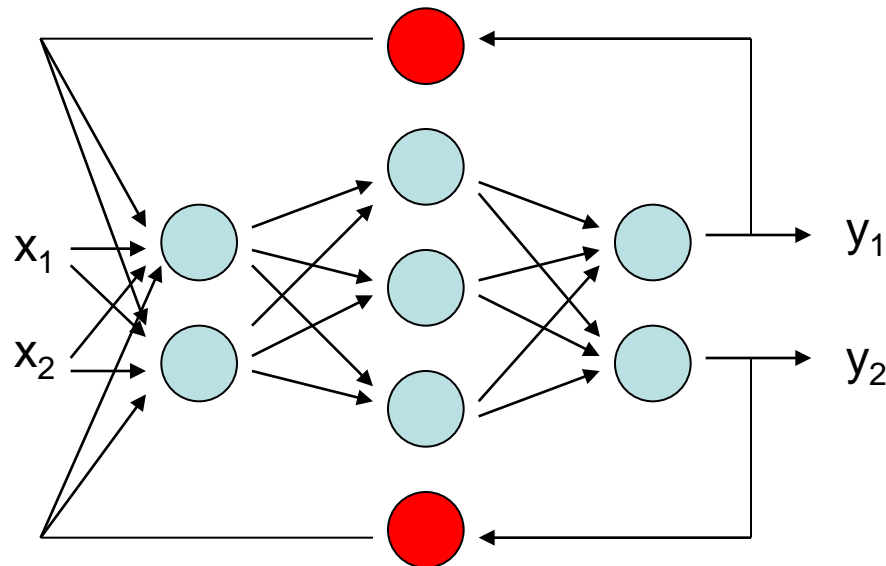
### **disadvantages:**

- 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!