

# **Computational Intelligence**

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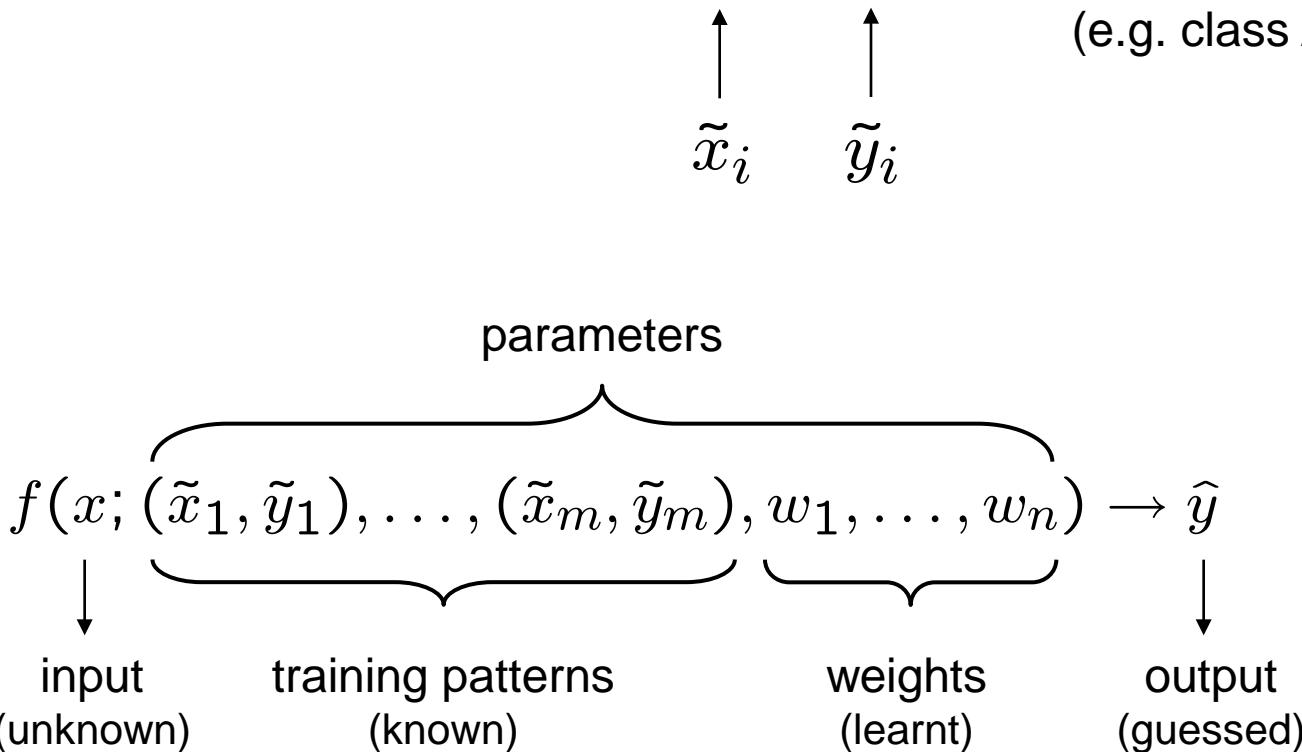
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## Classification

given: set of training patterns (input / output)

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



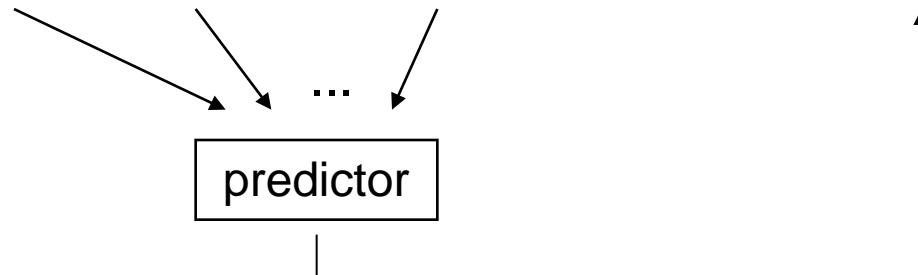
- phase I:**  
train network
- phase II:**  
apply network  
to unknown  
inputs for  
classification

## 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

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



training patterns:

historical data where true output is known;

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

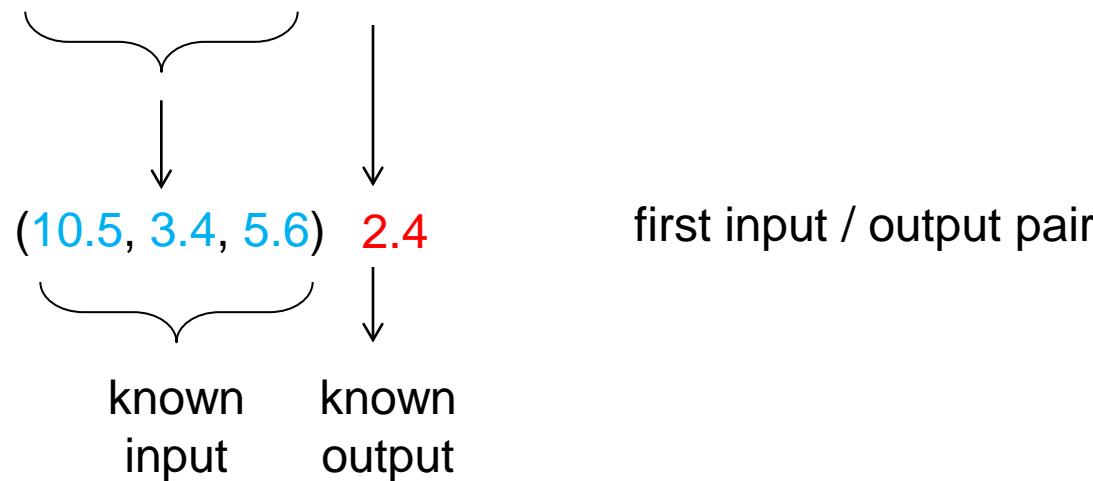
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train network

**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:  $k=3$



further input / output pairs:

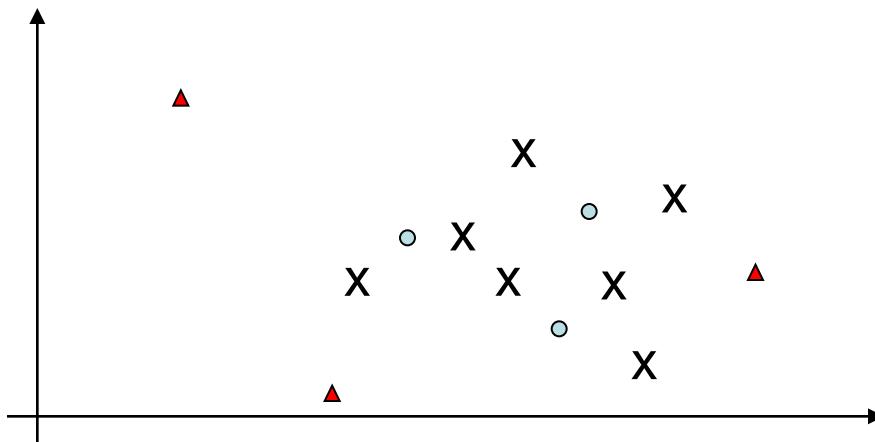
(3.4, 5.6, 2.4)	5.9
(5.6, 2.4, 5.9)	8.4
(2.4, 5.9, 8.4)	3.9
(5.9, 8.4, 3.9)	4.4
(8.4, 3.9, 4.4)	1.7

### 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

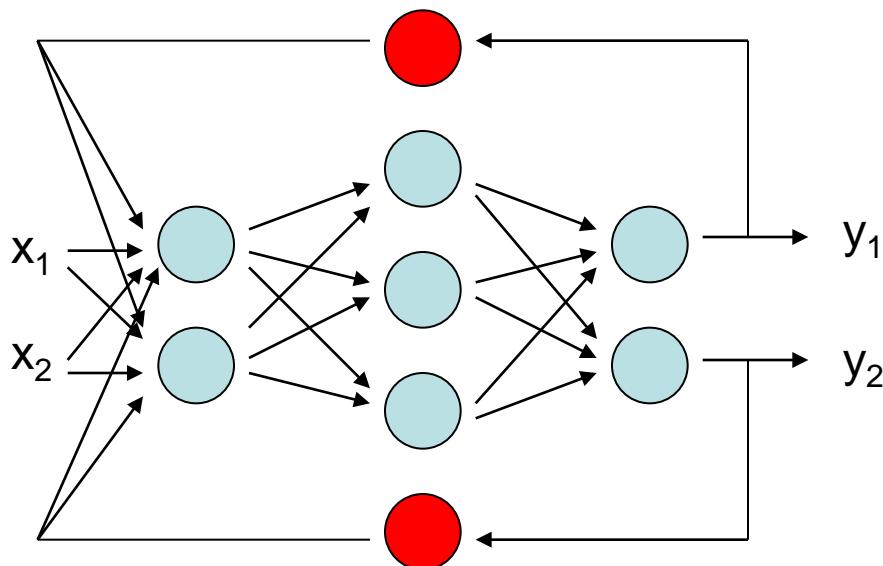
◦ : input pattern where output  
to be interpolated

▲ : input pattern where output  
to be extrapolated

## Jordan nets (1986)

- **context neuron:**

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

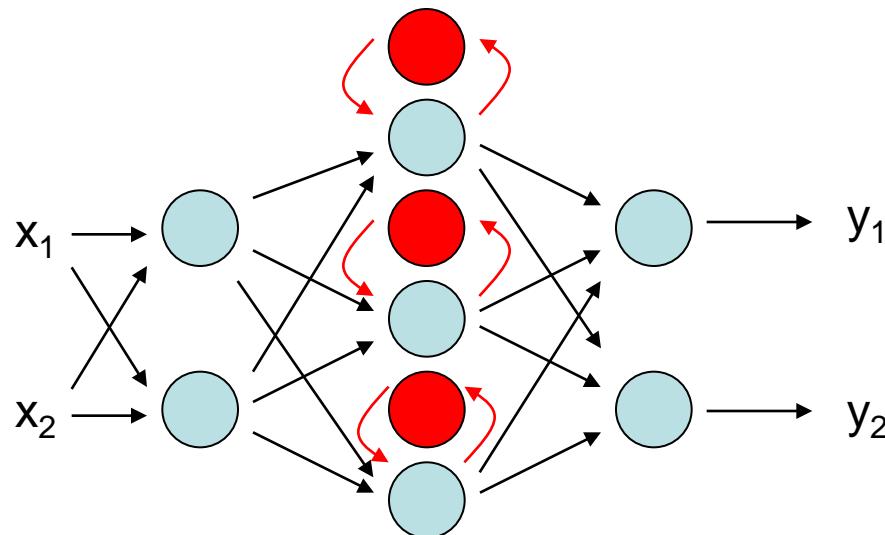


**Jordan net =**  
MLP + context neuron  
for each output,  
context neurons fully  
connected to input layer

## Elman nets (1990)

Elman net =

MLP + context neuron for each hidden layer neuron's output of MLP,  
context neurons fully connected to emitting 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!



### Definition:

A function  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is termed **radial basis function**

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

### Definition:

**RBF local** iff

$\varphi(r) \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$   $\square$

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

### 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

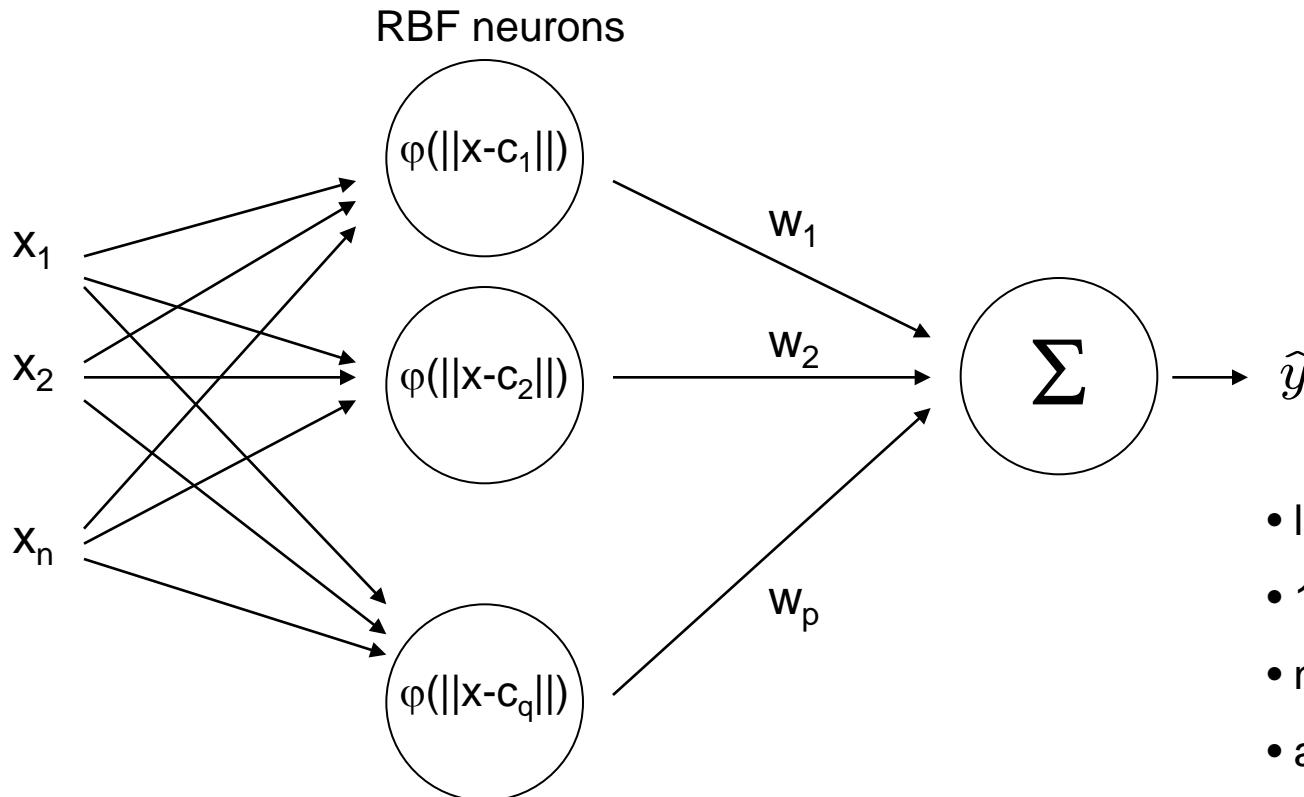
bounded

local

### Definition:

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

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



- 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  $i = 1, \dots, N$  and therefore we insist that

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

↓                    ↓  
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

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

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

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

unit matrix

$P^+$

**complexity (naive)**

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P})^{-1} \mathbf{P}' \mathbf{y}$$

 $\mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P}: N^2 q$ inversion:  $q^3$  $\mathbf{P}'\mathbf{y}: qN$ multiplication:  $q^2$  $O(N^2 q)$ 

**remark:** if  $N$  large then inaccuracies for  $\mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P}$  likely

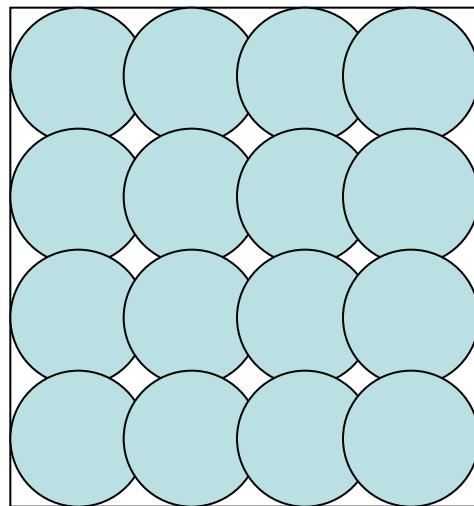
$\Rightarrow$  first analytic solution, then gradient descent starting from this solution

requires  
differentiable  
basis functions!

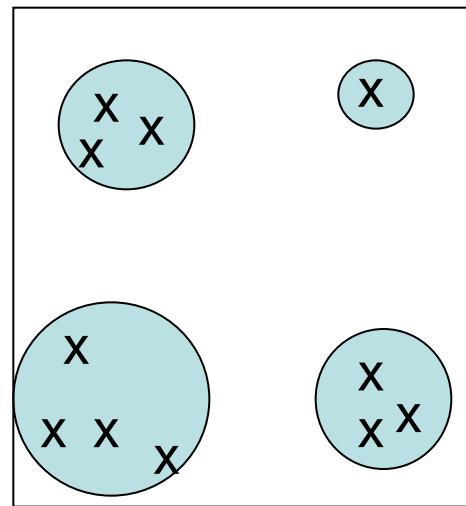
**so far:** tacitly assumed that RBF neurons are given

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

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



uniform covering



if training patterns inhomogeneously 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  
(if output close to zero, verify that output of each basis function is close to zero)

### disadvantages:

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