

- Introduction to the  
**Introduction to  
Artificial Neural Network**

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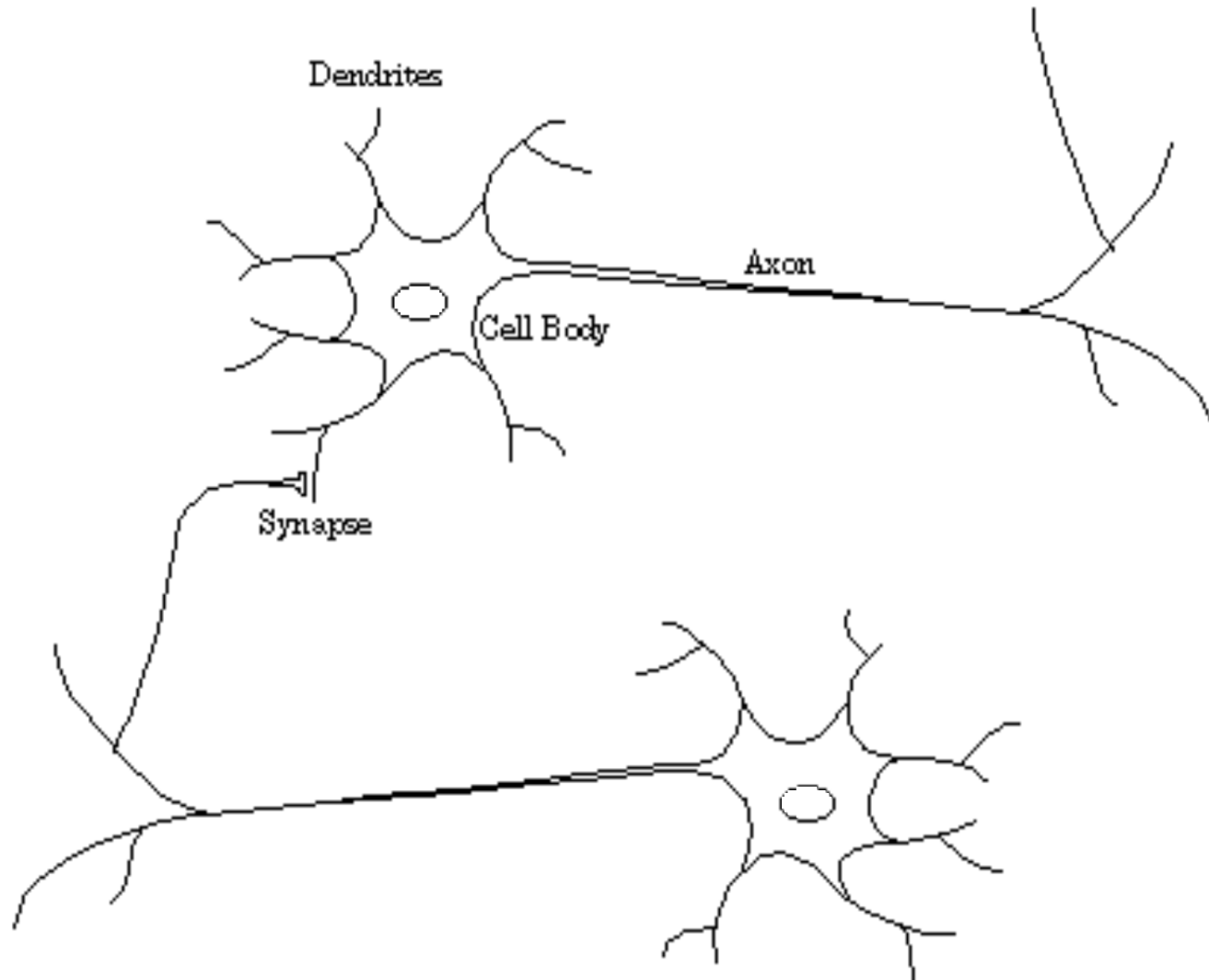
# Outline

- Biological Inspirations
- Applications & Properties of ANN
- Perceptron
- Multi-Layer Perceptrons
- Error Backpropagation Algorithm
- Remarks on ANN

# Biological Inspirations

- Humans perform complex tasks like vision, motor control, or language understanding very well
- One way to build intelligent machines is to try to imitate the (organizational principles of) human brain

# Biological Neuron

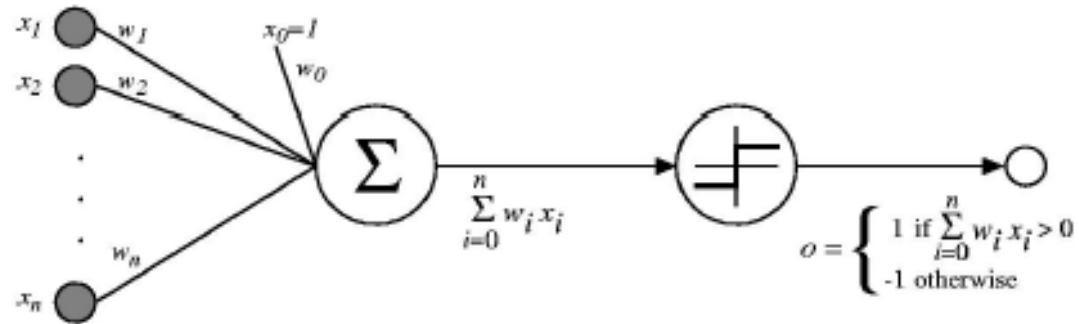


# Artificial Neural Networks

- ANNs have been widely used in various domains for:
  - Pattern recognition
  - Function approximation
  - Etc.

# Perceptron (Artificial Neuron)

- A perceptron
  - takes a vector of real-valued inputs
  - calculates a linear combination of the inputs
  - outputs +1 if the result is greater than some threshold and -1 (or 0) otherwise



$$o(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w_0 + w_1 x_1 + \dots + w_n x_n > 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# Perceptron

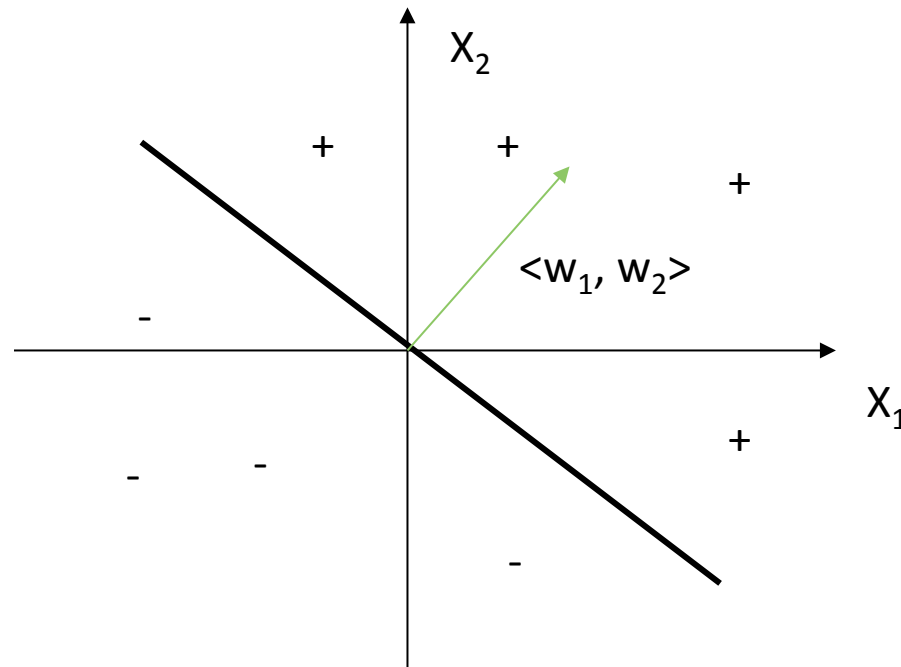
- To simplify notation, assume an additional constant input  $x_0=1$ . We can write the perceptron function as

$$o(\vec{x}) = \text{sgn}(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{x})$$

$$\text{sgn}(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y > 0 \\ -1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Representational Power of Perceptron

- The perceptron  $\sim$  a hyperplane decision surface in the n-dimensional space of instances



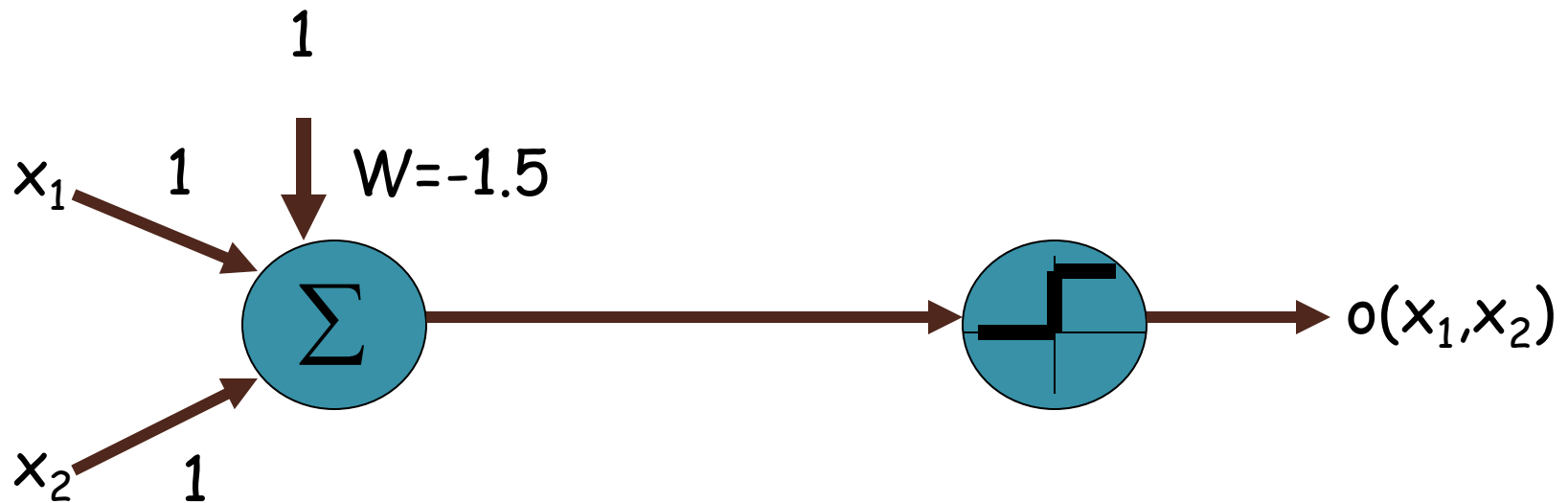
Linearly separable data



# Boolean Functions

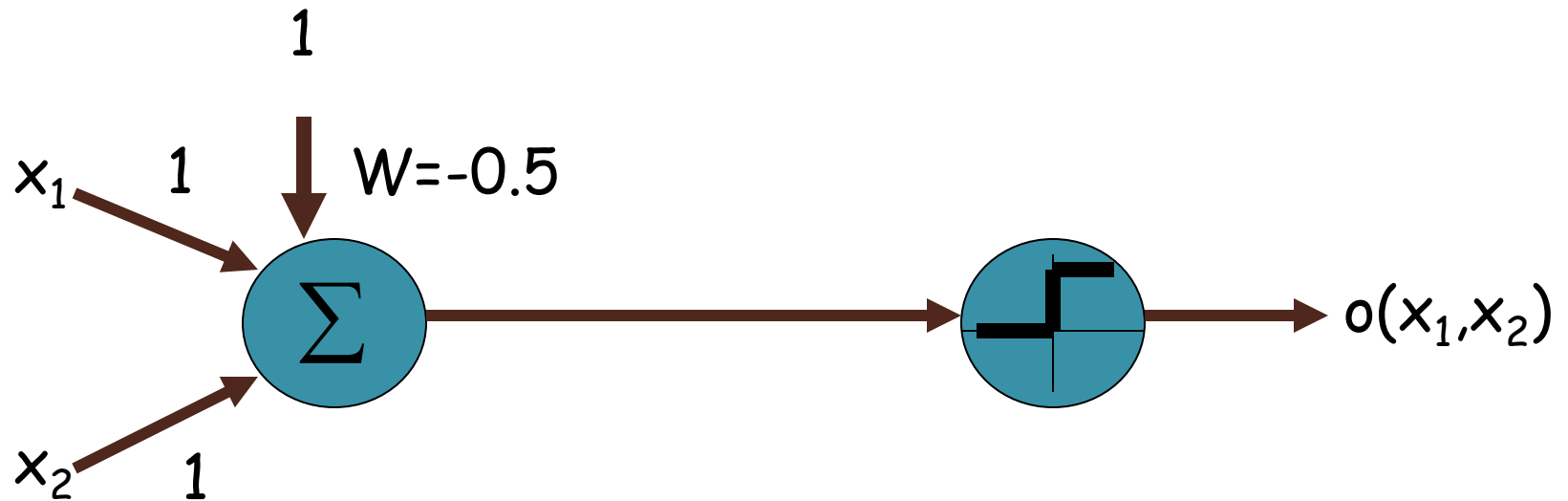
- A single perceptron can be used to represent many boolean functions
  - 1 (true); 0 (false)
- Perceptrons can represent all of the primitive boolean functions
  - AND, OR, NOT

# Implementing AND



$$o(x_1, x_2) = 1 \text{ if } -1.5 + x_1 + x_2 > 0$$
$$= 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

# Implementing OR



$$o(x_1, x_2) = 1 \text{ if } -0.5 + x_1 + x_2 > 0$$
$$= 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

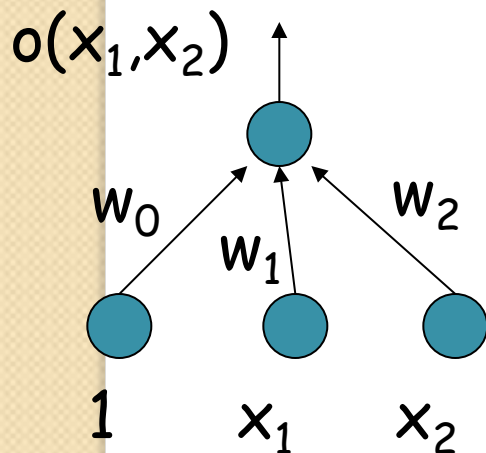
# Implementing NOT



$$o(x_1) = 1 \text{ if } 0.5 - x_1 > 0$$
$$= 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

# The XOR Function

- Unfortunately, some Boolean functions cannot be represented by a single perceptron



$$w_0 + 0 \cdot w_1 + 0 \cdot w_2 \leq 0$$

$$w_0 + 0 \cdot w_1 + 1 \cdot w_2 > 0$$

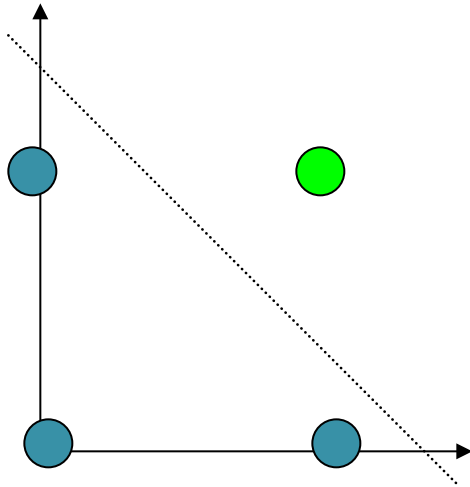
$$w_0 + 1 \cdot w_1 + 0 \cdot w_2 > 0$$

$$w_0 + 1 \cdot w_1 + 1 \cdot w_2 \leq 0$$

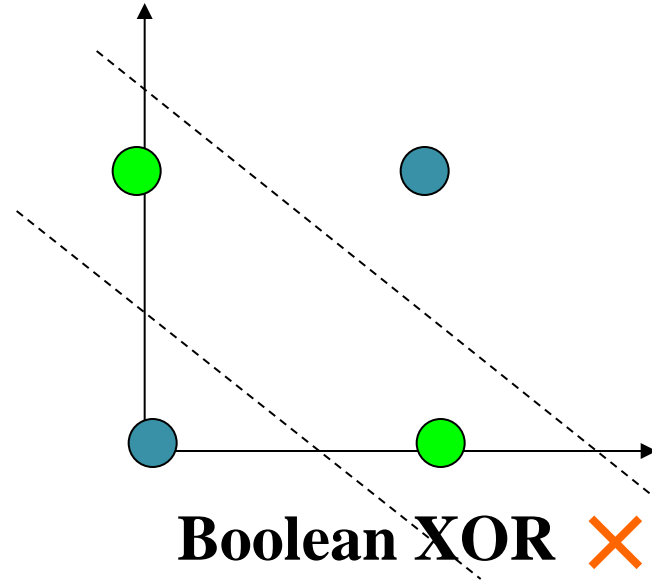
XOR(x<sub>1</sub>, x<sub>2</sub>)

There is no assignment of values to  $w_0, w_1$  and  $w_2$  that satisfies above inequalities. **XOR cannot be represented!**

# Linear Separability



**Boolean AND**



**Boolean XOR**

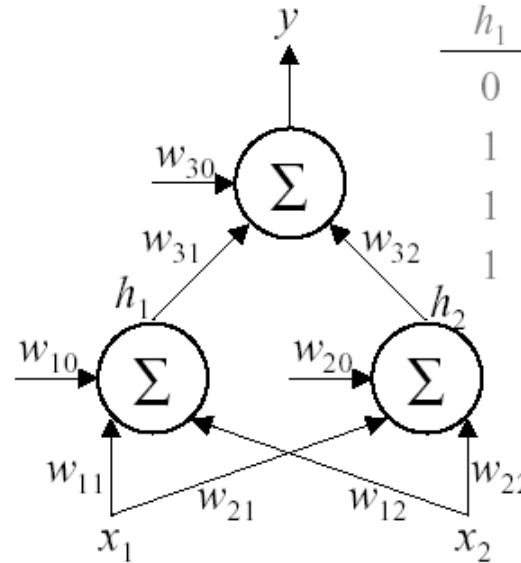
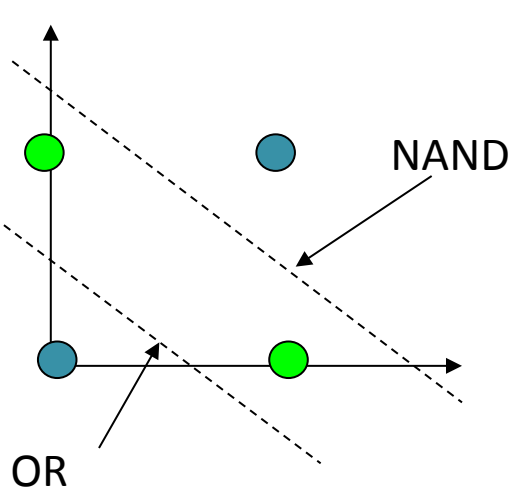


**Representation Theorem:** Perceptrons can only represent linearly separable functions. That is, the decision surface separating the output values has to be a plane.  
(Minsky & Papert, 1969)

# Remarks on perceptron

- Perceptrons can represent all the primitive Boolean functions
  - AND, OR, and NOT
- Some Boolean functions cannot be represented by a single perceptron
  - Such as the XOR function
- Every Boolean function can be represented by some combination of
  - AND, OR, and NOT
- We want networks of the perceptrons...

# Implementing XOR by Multi-layer perceptron (MLP)



$h_1$	$w_{31}$	$h_2$	$w_{32}$	$\Sigma$	$w_{30}$	$y$
0	1	0	-1	0	0.5	0
1	1	0	-1	1	0.5	1
1	1	0	-1	1	0.5	1
1	1	1	-1	0	0.5	0

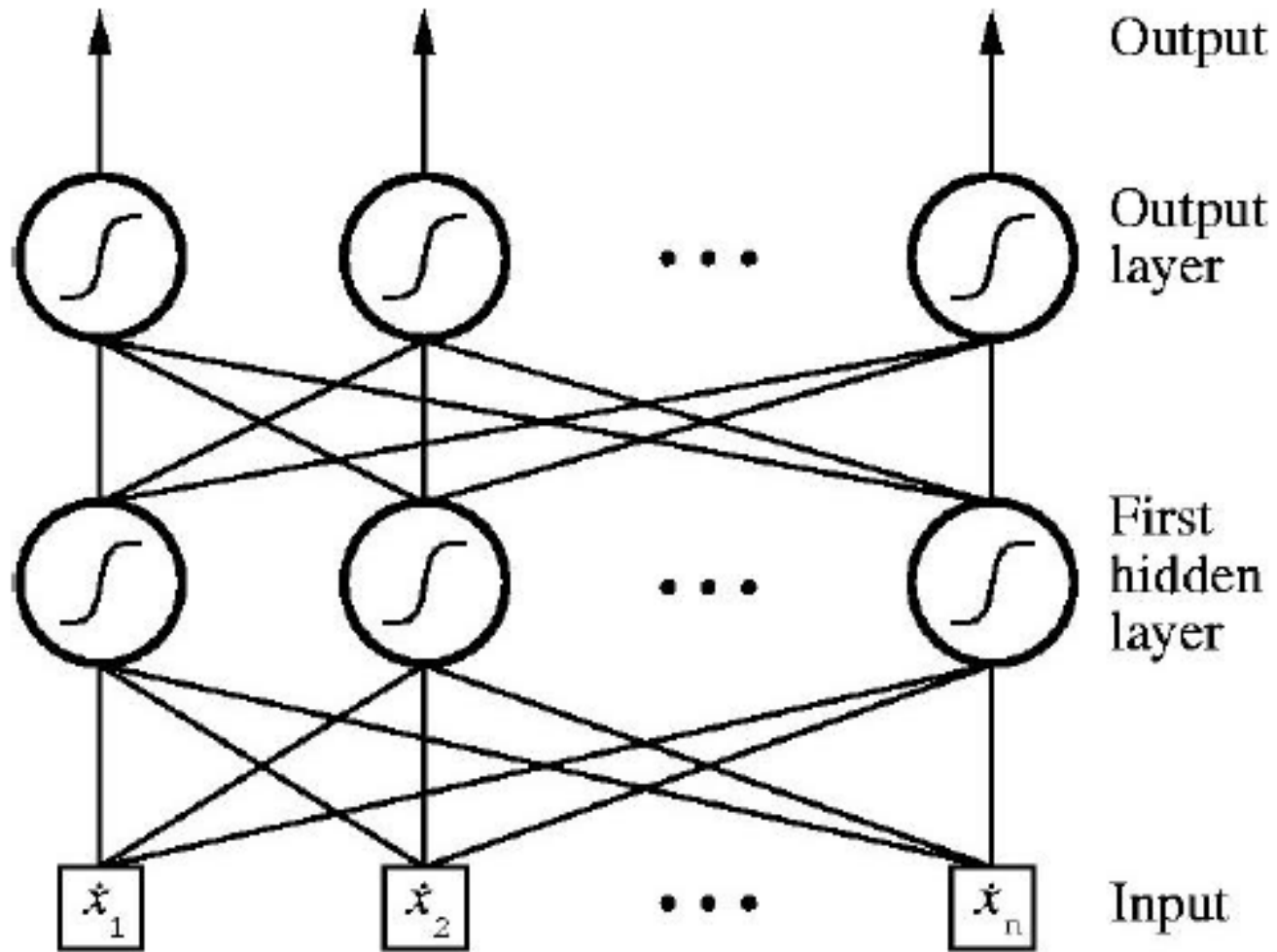
$x_1$	$w_{11}$	$x_2$	$w_{12}$	$\Sigma$	$w_{10}$	$h_1$
0	0.5	0	0.5	0	0.3	0
0	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0.3	1
1	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	0.3	1
1	0.5	1	0.5	1	0.3	1

$x_1$	$w_{21}$	$x_2$	$w_{22}$	$\Sigma$	$w_{20}$	$h_2$
0	0.5	0	0.5	0	0.7	0
0	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0.7	0
1	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	0.7	0
1	0.5	1	0.5	1	0.7	1

$x_1 \text{ XOR } x_2 = (x_1 \text{ OR } x_2) \text{ AND } (\text{NOT}(x_1 \text{ AND } x_2))$

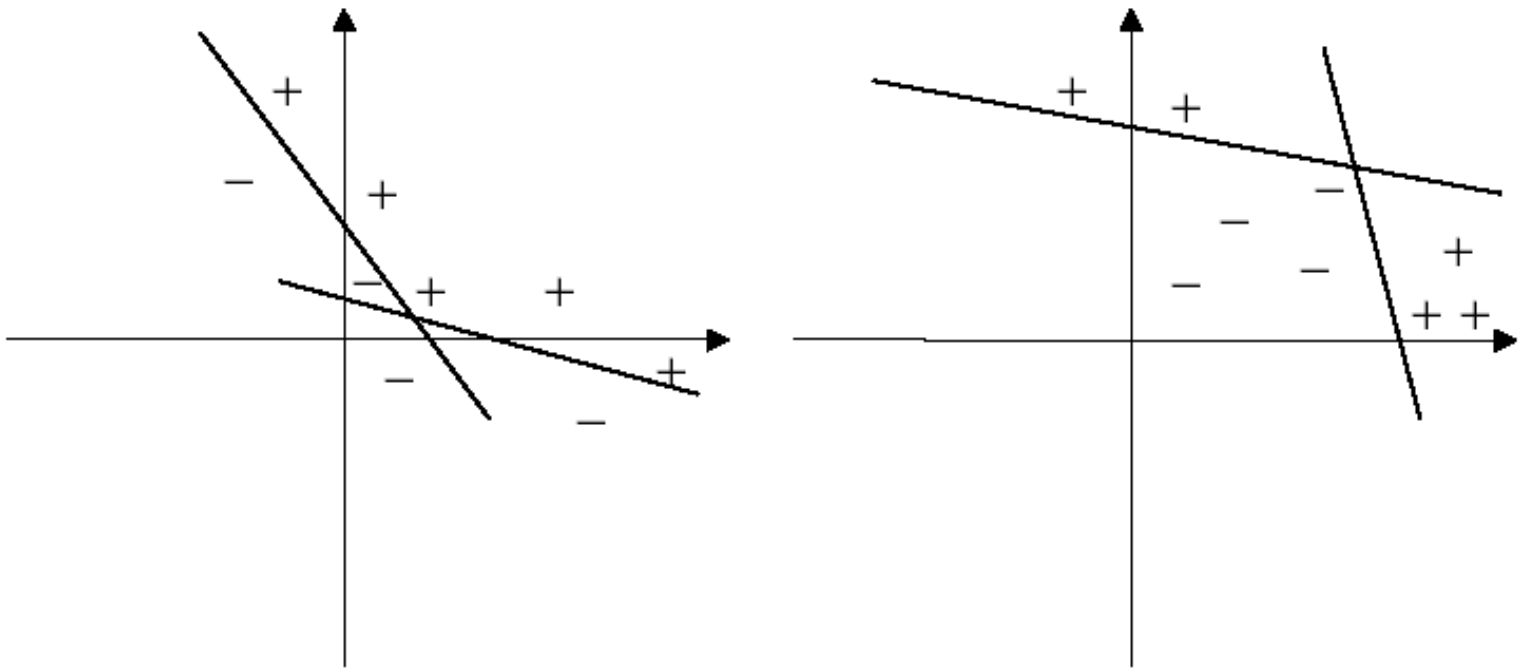


# Multi-Layer Perceptrons (MLP)



# Representation Power of MLP

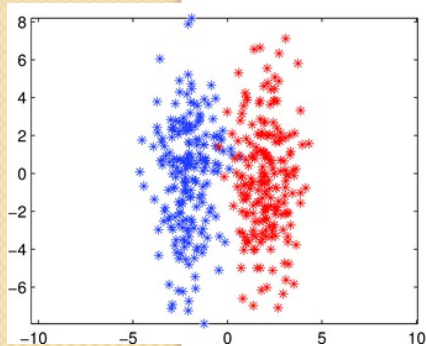
- Conjunction of piece-wise hyperplanes



# Representation Power of ANN

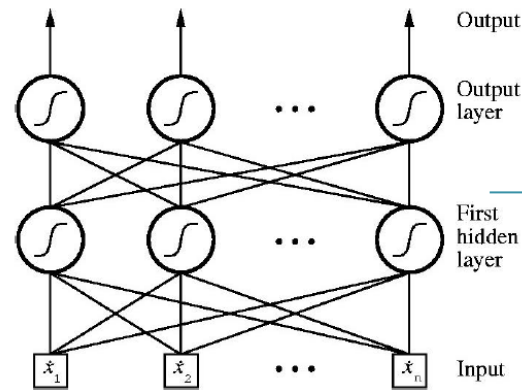
- **Boolean functions:** Every Boolean function can be represented exactly by some network with **two** layers of units
- **Continuous functions:** Every bounded continuous function can be approximated with arbitrarily small error (under a finite norm) by a network with **two** layers of units
- **Arbitrary functions:** Any function can be approximated to arbitrary accuracy by a network with **three** layers of units

# Neuron network design for non-closed form problem



Training data  $\{x_i, y_i\}$

Training process



Neuron network

Testing data  $x^*$

Testing process

Result  $y^*$

# Definition of Training Error

- Training error  $E$ : a function of weight vector over the training data set  $D$

$$E(\mathbf{w}) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} (t_d - o_d)^2$$

$$o(\vec{x}) = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{x}$$

Unthresholded perceptron  
or linear unit

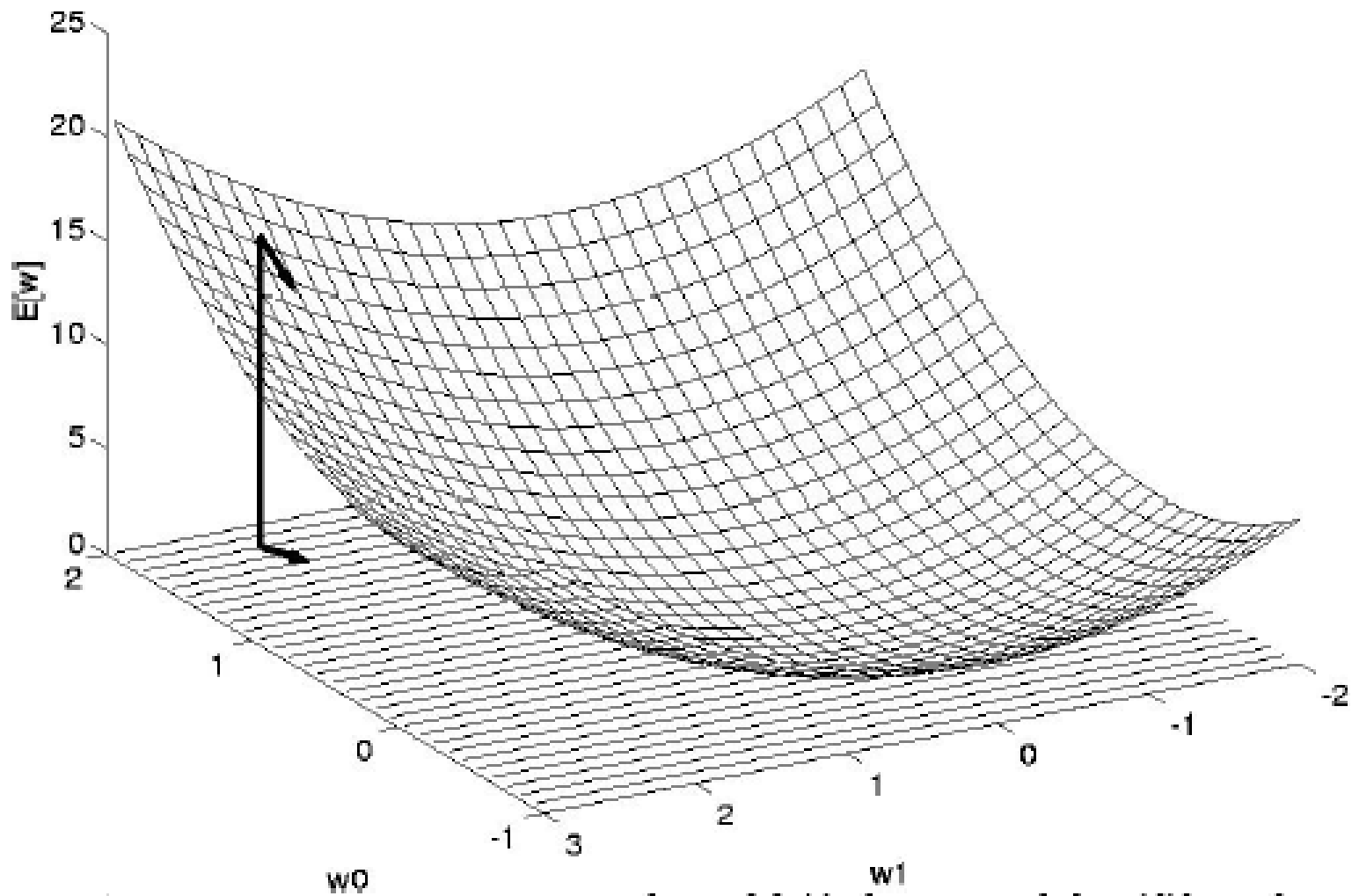
# Gradient Descent

- To reduce error  $E$ , update the weight vector  $w$  in the direction of steepest descent along the error surface

$$\nabla E(w) \equiv \left[ \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_0}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_n} \right]$$

$$w \leftarrow w + (-\eta \nabla E(w))$$

# Gradient Descent



# Weight Update Rule

$$w \leftarrow w + (-\eta \nabla E(w))$$

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \left(-\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i}\right),$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i} = \sum_{d \in D} (t_d - o_d)(-x_{id})$$



# Gradient Descent Search Algorithm

repeat

$$\Delta w \leftarrow 0$$

for each training example  $\langle x, t(x) \rangle$

$$o(x) = w \cdot x$$

for each  $w_i$

$$\Delta w_i \leftarrow \Delta w_i + \eta(t(x) - o(x))x_i$$

for each  $w_i$

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$

until (termination condition)

# Perceptron Learning Rule vs Delta Rule

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$

$$\Delta w_i = \eta(t - o)x_i$$

Perceptron learning rule

$$w_i \leftarrow w_i + \Delta w_i$$

$$\Delta w_i = \eta(t - o)x_i$$

Delta rule

The perceptron learning rule uses the output of the threshold function (either -1 or +1) for learning.

The delta-rule uses the net output without further mapping into output values -1 or +1

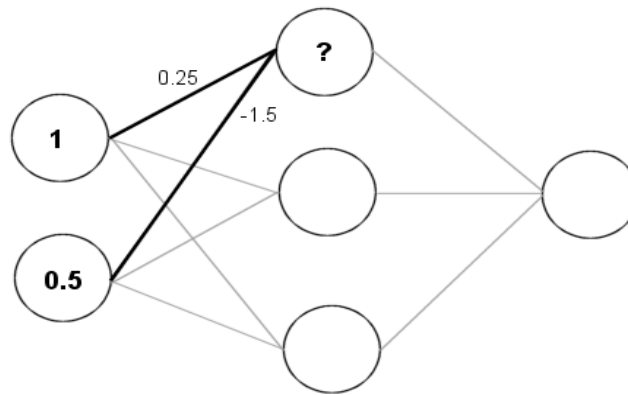
# Perceptron Learning Algorithm

- Guaranteed to converge within a finite time if **the training data is linearly separable** and  **$\eta$  is sufficiently small**
- If the data are not linearly separable, convergence is not assured

# Feed-forward Networks

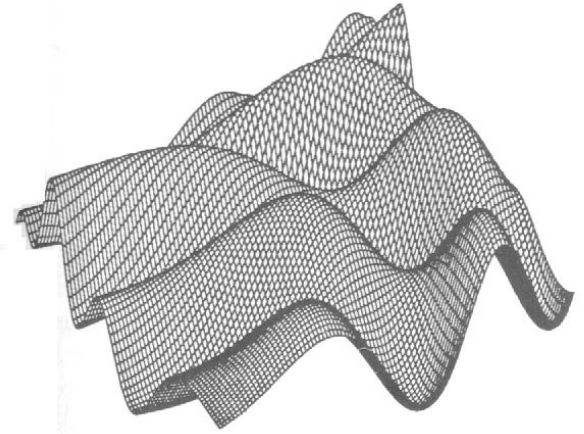


**Input**                      **Hidden**                      **Output**



# Definition of Error for MLP

$$E(w) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d \in D} \sum_i \left( t_i^{(d)} - o_i^{(d)} \right)^2$$



$$\nabla E(w) \equiv \left[ \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{11}^{(o)}}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{12}^{(o)}}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{11}^{(h)}}, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{12}^{(h)}}, \dots, \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}^{(h)}} \right]$$

$$w \leftarrow w + (-\eta \nabla E(w))$$

# Output Layer's Weight Update

$$\frac{\partial E^{(d)}}{\partial w_{ij}^{(d)}} = \frac{\partial \frac{1}{2} \sum_l (t_l - o_l)^2}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2 \sum_l \left( t_l - \Theta \left( \sum_m w_{lm} h_m \right) \right)^2}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

$$= \frac{\partial \frac{1}{2} \left( t_i - \Theta \left( \sum_m w_{im} h_m \right) \right)^2}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

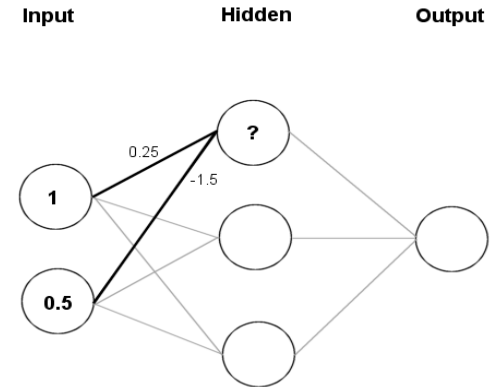
$$= \frac{\partial E}{\partial o_i} \frac{\partial o_i}{\partial \sigma_i} \frac{\partial \sigma_i}{\partial w_{ij}} \quad o_i = \Theta(\sigma_i) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\sigma_i}} \text{ and } \sigma_i = \sum_m w_{im} h_m$$

$$= \frac{\partial \left[ \frac{1}{2} (t_i - o_i)^2 \right]}{\partial o_i} \frac{\partial \left[ \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\sigma_i}} \right]}{\partial \sigma_i} \frac{\partial \left[ \sum_m w_{im} h_m \right]}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

$$= -(t_i - o_i) o_i (1 - o_i) h_j$$

# Hidden Layer's Weight Update

- Error of  $h_j \propto \sum_i \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}} w_{ij}$ 
  - Distribute error to inputs proportional to weights



- Similar to output layer:

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}} = \sum_i \left[ -(t_i - o_i) o_i (1 - o_i) w_{ij} \right] h_j (1 - h_j) x_k$$

**Error Back-propagation**

# Error Back Propagation Algorithm

initialize all weights to small random numbers

repeat

for each training example  $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{t}(\mathbf{x}) \rangle$

for each hidden node  $h_j \leftarrow \Theta\left(\sum_k w_{jk} x_k\right)$

for each output node  $o_i \leftarrow \Theta\left(\sum_j w_{ij} h_j\right)$

for each output node's weight

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}} = -o_i(1 - o_i)(t_i - o_i)h_j$$

for each hidden node's weight

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}} = \left[ \sum_i -o_i(1 - o_i)(t_i - o_i)w_{ij} \right] h_j(1 - h_j)x_k$$

for each hidden node's weight

$$w_{ij} \leftarrow w_{ij} - \eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{ij}}$$

for each output node's weight

$$w_{jk} \leftarrow w_{jk} - \eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_{jk}}$$

until (termination condition)



# Generalization, Overfitting, etc.

- Artificial neural networks with a large number of weights tend to overfit the training data
- To increase generalization accuracy, use a validation set
  - Find the optimal number of perceptrons
  - Find the optimal number of training iterations
    - Stop when overfitting happens

# Generalization, Overfitting, etc.

