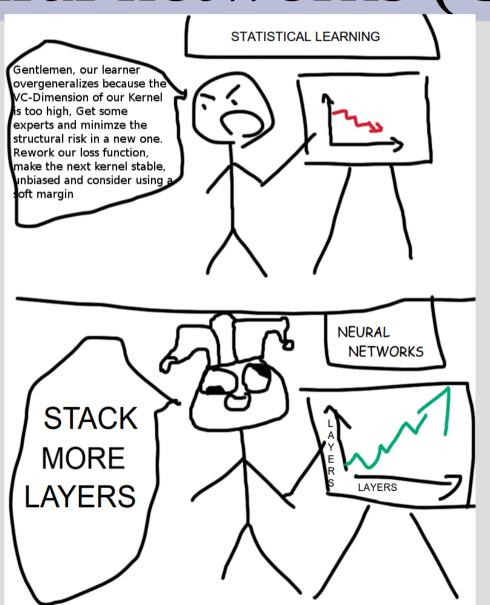
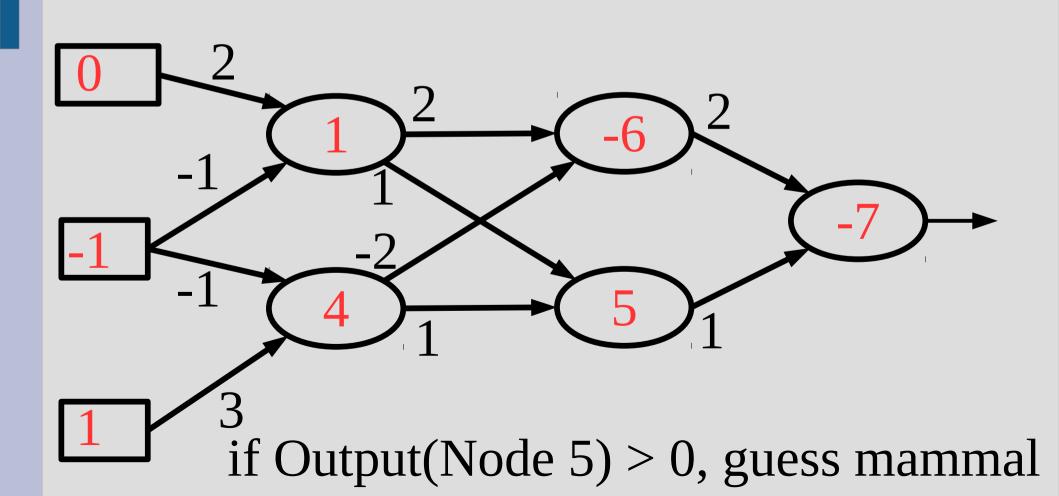
Neural networks (Ch. 12)



You try Bat on this:{WB=0, LE=-1, CH=1} Assume (for now) output = sum input if Output(Node 5) > 0, guess mammal

Output is -7, so bats are not mammal... Oops...



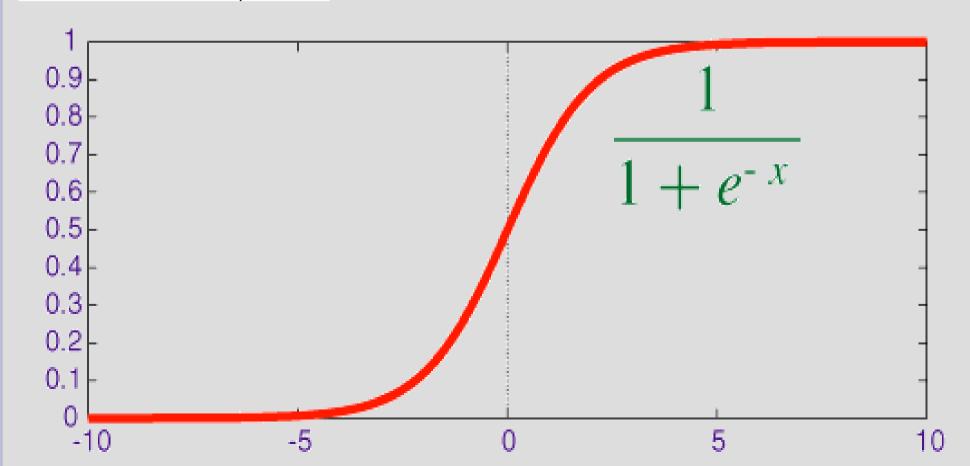
In fact, this is no better than our 1 node NN

This is because we simply output a linear combination of weights into a linear function (i.e. if f(x) and g(x) are linear... then g(x)+f(x) is also linear)

Ideally, we want a activation function that has a limited range so large signals do not always dominate

One commonly used function is the sigmoid:

$$S(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$



The neural network is as good as it's structure and weights on edges

Structure we will ignore (more complex), but there is an automated way to learn weights

Whenever a NN incorrectly answer a problem, the weights play a "blame game"...

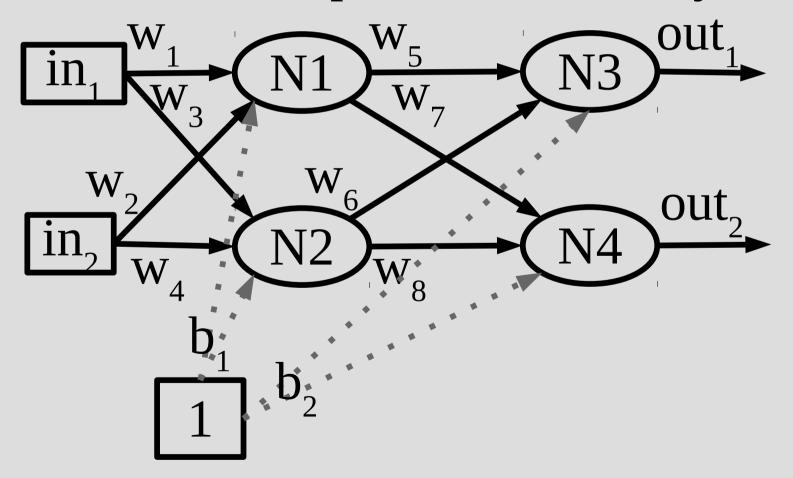
- Weights that have a big impact to the wrong answer are reduced

To do this blaming, we have to find how much each weight influenced the final answer

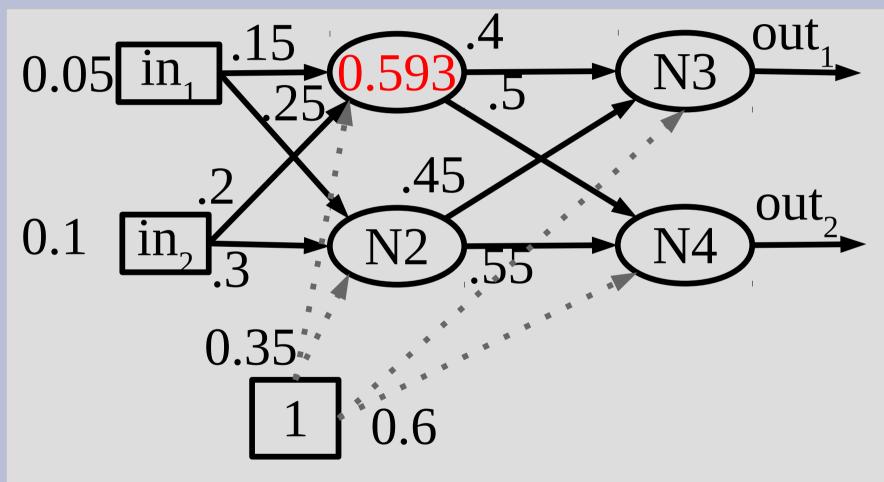
#### Steps:

- 1. Find total error
- 2. Find derivative of error w.r.t. weights
- 3. Penalize each weight by an amount proportional to this derivative

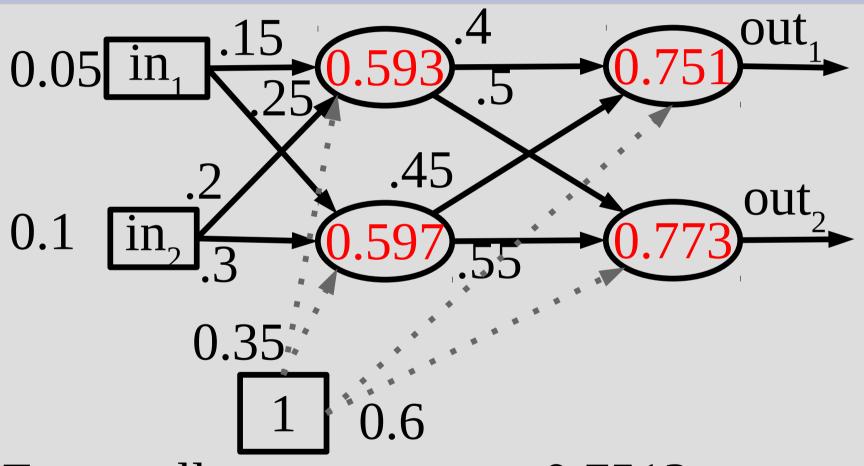
Consider this example: 4 nodes, 2 layers



This node as a constant bias of 1



Node 1: 0.15\*0.05 + 0.2\*0.1 +0.35 as input thus it outputs (all edges) S(0.3775)=0.59327



Eventually we get:  $out_1 = 0.7513$ , out  $_2 = 0.7729$ Suppose wanted:  $out_1 = 0.01$ , out  $_2 = 0.99$ 

We will define the error as:  $\sum_{i} (correct_i - output_i)^2$  (you will see why shortly)

Suppose we want to find how much w<sub>5</sub> is to blame for our incorrectness

We then need to find:  $\frac{\partial E r r \partial v}{\partial w_5}$ Apply the chain rule:

$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial out_1} \cdot \frac{\partial S(In(N_3))}{\partial In(N_3)} \cdot \frac{\partial In(N_3)}{\partial w_5}$$

$$Error = \frac{\sum_{i} (correct_{i} - output_{i})^{2}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial out_{1}} = -(correct_{1} - out_{1})$$

$$= -(0.01 - 0.7513) = 0.7413$$

$$\frac{\partial S(In(N_{3}))}{\partial In(N_{3})} = S(In(N_{3})) \cdot (1 - S(In(N_{3})))$$

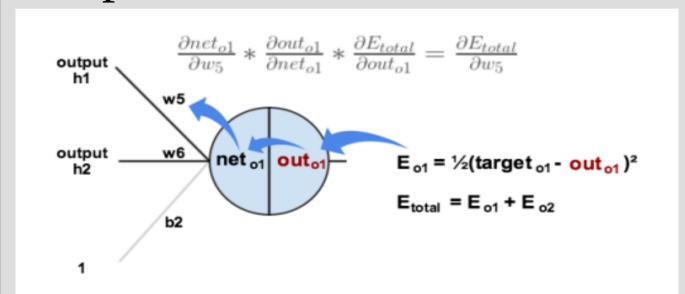
$$= 0.7513 \cdot (1 - 0.7513) = 0.1868$$

$$\frac{\partial In(N_{3})}{\partial w_{5}} = \frac{\partial w_{5} \cdot Out(N_{1}) + w_{6} \cdot Out(N_{2}) + b_{2} \cdot 1}{\partial w_{5}}$$

$$= Out(N_{1}) = 0.5932$$

Thus,  $\frac{\partial Error}{\partial w_5} = 0.7413 \cdot 0.1868 \cdot 0.5932 = 0.08217$ 

#### In a picture we did this:



Now that we know w5 is 0.08217 part responsible, we update the weight by:  $w_5 \leftarrow w_5 - \alpha * 0.08217 = 0.3589$  (from 0.4)  $\alpha$  is learning rate, set to 0.5

Updating this w<sub>5</sub> to w<sub>8</sub> gives:

$$w_5 = 0.3589$$

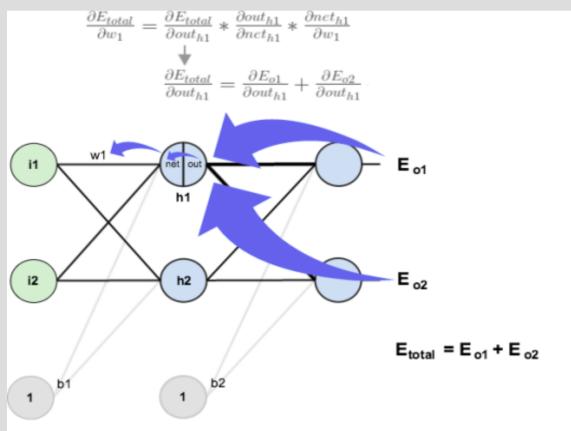
$$w_6 = 0.4067$$

$$w_7 = 0.5113$$

$$w_8 = 0.5614$$

For other weights, you need to consider all possible ways in which they contribute

For w<sub>1</sub> it would look like:



(book describes how to dynamic program this)

Specifically for w₁ you would get:

$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = \frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_1))} + \frac{\partial Error_2}{\partial S(In(N_1))}$$

$$\frac{\partial S(In(N_1))}{\partial In(N_1)} = S(In(N_1)) \cdot (1 - S(In(N_1)))$$

$$= 0.5933 \cdot (1 - 0.5933) = 0.2413$$

$$=\frac{\frac{\partial In(N_3)}{\partial w_5}}{In_1=0.05} = \frac{\frac{\partial w_1 \cdot In_1 + w_2 \cdot In_2 + b_1 \cdot 1}{\partial w_5}}{In_1 + u_2 \cdot In_2 + b_1 \cdot 1}$$

Next we have to break down the top equation...

$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = \frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_1))} + \frac{\partial Error_2}{\partial S(In(N_1))}$$

$$\frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = \frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_3))} \cdot \frac{\partial S(In(N_3))}{\partial In(N_3)} \cdot \frac{\partial In(N_3)}{\partial S(In(N_1))}$$
From before... 
$$\frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_3))} \cdot \frac{\partial S(In(N_3))}{\partial In(N_3)}$$

$$= 0.7414 \cdot 0.1868 = 0.1385$$

$$\frac{\partial In(N_3)}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = \frac{\partial w_5 \cdot S(In(N_1)) + w_6 \cdot S(In(N_2)) + b_1 \cdot 1}{\partial S(In(N_1))}$$

$$= w_5 = 0.4$$

Thus,  $\frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = 0.1385 \cdot 0.4 = 0.05540$ 

Similarly for Error, we get:

$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = \frac{\partial Error_1}{\partial S(In(N_1))} + \frac{\partial Error_2}{\partial S(In(N_1))} = 0.05540 + -0.01905 = 0.03635$$

Thus, 
$$\frac{\partial Error}{\partial w_1} = 0.03635 \cdot 0.2413 \cdot 0.05 = 0.0004386$$

Update 
$$w_1 \leftarrow w_1 - \alpha \frac{\partial Error}{\partial w_1} = 0.15 - 0.5 \cdot 0.0004386 = 0.1498$$

You might notice this is small...

This is an issue with neural networks, deeper the network the less earlier nodes update

Despite this learning shortcoming, NN are useful in a wide range of applications:

Reading handwriting

Playing games

Face detection

Economic predictions

Neural networks can also be very powerful when combined with other techniques (genetic algorithms, search techniques, ...)

**Examples:** 

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=umRdt3zGgpU

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qv6UVOQ0F44

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xcIBoPuNIiw

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Str0Rdkxxo

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AlphaGo/Zero has been in the news recently, and is also based on neural networks

AlphaGo uses Monte-Carlo tree search guided by the neural network to prune useless parts

Often limiting Monte-Carlo in a static way reduces the effectiveness, much like mid-state evaluations can limit algorithm effectiveness

Basically, AlphaGo uses a neural network to "prune" parts for a Monte-carlo search

