# Introduction to Neural Networks and Deep Learning Deep Forward Neural Networks 

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- After Shanon pointed out the fact they are useful to represent complex problems [1].


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## How this impact shallow learning in Machine Learning?

- Many of the results for boolean circuits can be generalized to architectures whose computational elements are linear threshold units

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f(x)=1_{w x+b>0}
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- The fan-in of a circuit is the maximum number of inputs of a particular element.


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## Definition

- The function $f_{k}$ is a function of $N^{2 k-2}$ variables. It is defined by a depth $k$ circuit that is a tree. At the leaves of the tree there are unnegated variable, The $i^{\text {th }}$ level from the bottom consists of $\wedge$-gates if $i$ is even and otherwise it consists of $\vee$-gates.



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## Theorem [4]

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## What happens in Deep Architectures

- Bengio et al. argues that they can represent highly-varying functions [5]


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- The polynomial $\prod_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} a_{i j} x_{j}$ can be represented as a product of sums with only $O(n m)$ elements


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## What if I do a product of sums

- What will happen?


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## What about both ideas together

- Complex adaptive units
- Deeper architectures to helps such units
- It seems to be the case of the human brain...!!!


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Classic Example, the kernel machine

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f(x)=b+\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} K\left(x, x_{i}\right)
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The limitations of a fixed generic kernel such as the Gaussian kernel

- They have motivated a lot of research in designing kernels $[6,7]$


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- That such highly varying space is due to a lack of the correct feature selection process.


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## Theorem

- Let $f(\boldsymbol{x})=b+\sum_{i=1}^{2^{d}} \alpha_{i} K\left(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}, \boldsymbol{x}\right)$ be an affine combination of Gaussian with the same width $\sigma$ centered on points $\boldsymbol{x}_{i} \in\{-1,1\}^{d}$. If $f$ solve the parity problem, then there are at least $2^{d-1}$ non-zero support vectors.


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## After all

- More Memory could be added to those systems


## For example

## Tensors have been used to add memory to SVM

$$
\begin{gathered}
\min _{\boldsymbol{U}_{i}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{K}^{(m)}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, b} \gamma \sum_{i=1}^{N}\left\|\mathcal{X}_{i}-\llbracket \boldsymbol{K}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{U}_{i}^{(1)}, \cdots, \boldsymbol{K}^{(M)} \boldsymbol{U}_{i}^{(M)} \rrbracket\right\|_{F}^{2}+\cdots \\
\lambda \boldsymbol{\beta}^{T} \widehat{\boldsymbol{K}} \boldsymbol{\beta}+\sum_{i=1}^{N}\left[1-y_{i}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{k}}_{i}^{T} \boldsymbol{\beta}+b\right)\right]_{+}
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$$

- $\boldsymbol{K}^{(m)}$ are kernel matrices defined on each mode to capture the nonlinear part.
- $\boldsymbol{U}^{(m)}=\left[\boldsymbol{u}_{1}^{(m)}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{u}_{R}^{(m)}\right]$ are factor matrices of size $I_{m} \times R_{m}$


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- After all deeper architectures construct complex functions layer by layer


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## By Using Weights in Certain Deep Learners

The Application of each Layer increase the complexity of the features


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## We will see that there are many possible architectures

- And more with the different layers $[10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20]$ :



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- Remember digitization implies that a digital image is an approximation of a real scene


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## Why not to use the data sets

- By using a Neural Networks that replicates the process.


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## And recently

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## Most popular Auto Encoders



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## The Basic Energy Models

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## Example

Restricted Boltzmann Machines where the conectivity is layer by layer


Thus, using it as a basic model

We can stack them into a multiple layer model


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## As in the Accept-Reject

- The generator network tries to produce realistic-looking samples
- The discriminator network tries to figure out whether an image came from the training set or the generator network


## Graphically

We have the following Basic Model


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$$
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$$

Therefore, we have
The following architecture use this idea


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There are other examples using the LSE [26]

$$
\mathcal{J}_{G}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N}[G(\boldsymbol{z})-\boldsymbol{x}]^{2}
$$

Therefore, we have two updates

## First update the Discriminator

$\longrightarrow$ Forward
$\longrightarrow$ Backpropagation


## Now

## Update the Generator

Backprop Derivatives Through the Discriminator, but do not change variables on it... only in the generator

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## There Are Many More!!! Here a few more...



Hopfield Network


Boltzmann Machine


Restricted BM


Deep Belief Network


Convolutional Network


## Furthermore

Deconvolutional Network


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z_{t} & =s_{t} h_{t}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Backpropagation Rules

Then, we get the following backpropagation rules

$$
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& \frac{\partial h_{t}}{\partial w_{i}}=\frac{\partial h_{t}}{\partial h_{t-1}} \times \frac{\partial h_{t-1}}{\partial h_{t-2}} \times \ldots \times \frac{\partial h_{i}}{\partial w_{i}} \\
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In the first composition, we get


Now, as we compound the function

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Now, as we increment iterations

Third one, $y=f \circ f \circ f(x)$


## Finally

## We see the increment in the gradient part negative or positive



## Actually, we have

## A Frontier defining the Vanishing and Exploding Gradient [27]



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Basically, we have that there are areas the pull in the iterations of the function


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- Then, we have that

$$
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## Therefore

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$$
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Furthermore, we define a space

$$
S=\left\{x \mid \exists y \text { such that } f(y) \leq f\left(x_{o}\right), \text { and }\|x-y\| \leq 1\right\}
$$

## We have then for $S$

In $\mathbb{R}^{2}$ the following example

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$$

## Remark

Clipped GD and NGD are almost equivalent

- If we set $\gamma \eta_{c}=\eta_{n}$ and $\eta_{c}=\frac{\eta_{n}}{\beta}$ then

$$
\frac{1}{2} h_{c} \leq h_{n} \leq 2 h_{c}
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$$
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Assumption 3 by using $\left\|\nabla^{2} f(x)\right\| \leq L$

- $\left(L_{0}, L_{1}\right)$-smoothness. $f$ is $\left(L_{0}, L_{1}\right)$-smooth, if there exist positive $L_{0}$ and $L_{1}$ such that $\left\|\nabla^{2} f(x)\right\| \leq L_{0}+L_{1}\|\nabla f(x)\|$
- $\nabla^{2} f(x)$ is the Hessian


## The final Theorem

Theorem (CGD) [28]

- Assume that Assumptions 1, 2, and 3 hold in set $S$. With parameters

$$
\eta_{c}=\frac{1}{10 L_{o}} \text { and } \gamma=\min \left\{\frac{1}{\eta_{c}}, \frac{1}{10 L_{o} \eta_{c}}\right\},
$$

- Then Clipped GD terminates in

$$
\frac{20 L_{0}\left(f\left(x_{0}\right)-f^{*}\right)}{\epsilon^{2}}+\frac{20 \max \left\{1, L_{1}^{2}\right\}\left(f\left(x_{0}\right)-f^{*}\right)}{L_{0}} \text { iterations }
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## In conclusion

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