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# Neural Networks (Graduate level) **Associative Networks**

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## Associative networks

- To an extent, learning is forming associations.
- Human memory associates
	- similar items,
	- contrary/opposite items,
	- items close in proximity,
	- items close in succession (e.g., in a song)



- **The patterns we associate together may be** – of the **same type** or sensory modality (e.g. a visual image may be associated with another visual image) – or of **different types** (e.g. a fragrance may be associated with a visual image or a feeling).
- **Memorization of a pattern (or a group of patterns) may be** considered to be associating the pattern with itself.



# An associative network is a single-layer Network in which the weights are determined in such a way that the net can store a set of pattern associations.



## Associative networks

- An associative memory (AM) net may serve as a highly simplified model of human memory. However, we shall not address the question whether they are all realistic models.
- AM provide an approach of storing and retrieving data based on content rather than storage address (info. storage in a NN is distributed throughout the system in the net's weights, hence a pattern does not have a storage





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## Associative networks

- **Number 2018** Whether auto- or hetero-associative, the net can associate not only the exact pattern pairs used in training, but is also able to obtain associations if the input is similar to one on which it has been trained.
- **Information recording: A large set of patterns (the priori** information) are stored (memorized)
- **Information retrieval/recall: Stored prototypes are excited** according to the input key patterns



- Before training an AM NN, the original patterns must be converted to an appropriate representation for computation
- In a simple example, the original pattern might consist of "on" and "off" signals, and the conversion could be:

"on"  $\rightarrow$  +1, "off"  $\rightarrow$  0 (binary representation) or "on"  $\rightarrow$  +1, "off"  $\rightarrow$  -1 (bipolar representation).



Mapping from 4-inputs to 2-outputs.

Whenever the net is shown a 4-bit input pattern, it produces a 2-bit output pattern





# Hebbian Learning



#### Examples of Hetero-association





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weight matrix to store the first pair:

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
s \colon t \implies (1, 0, 0, 0) \colon (1, 0)
$$

weight matrix to store the second pair:

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{s} : \mathbf{t} \Rightarrow (1, 1, 0, 0) : (1, 0)
$$



## Examples of Hetero-association

weight matrix to store the third pair:

weight matrix to store the fourth pair:

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [0 \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot [0 \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
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$$
\mathbf{s}:\mathbf{t}\Rightarrow(0,0,0,1):(0,1)
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\mathbf{s:t} \Rightarrow (0,0,1,1):(0,1)
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$$
\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}
$$



#### Test the network

Using the activation function: 
$$
f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x > 0; \\ 0 & \text{if } x \le 0. \end{cases}
$$

For the first input pattern 
$$
\mathbf{x} = (1, 0, 0, 0)
$$
  
\n
$$
y_{\text{min}} = x_1 w_{11} + x_2 w_{21} + x_3 w_{31} + x_4 w_{41}
$$
\n
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= 1(2) + 0(1) + 0(0) + 0(0)
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= 2;
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y_{\text{min}} = x_1 w_{12} + x_2 w_{22} + x_3 w_{32} + x_4 w_{42}
$$
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$$
= 1(0) + 0(0) + 0(1) + 0(2)
$$
\nThis is the correct response for the first  
\ntraining pattern  
\n
$$
y_1 = f(y_{\text{min}}) = f(2) = 1;
$$
\n
$$
y_2 = f(y_{\text{min}}) = f(0) = 0.
$$



Similarly, applying the same algorithm, with x equal to each of the other three training input vectors, yields:

$$
(1, 1, 0, 0) \cdot W = (3, 0) \rightarrow (1, 0),
$$
  

$$
(0, 0, 0, 1) \cdot W = (0, 2) \rightarrow (0, 1),
$$
  

$$
(0, 0, 1, 1) \cdot W = (0, 3) \rightarrow (0, 1).
$$



Testing a hetero-associative net with input **similar** to the training input

#### $(0, 1, 0, 0) \cdot W = (1, 0) \rightarrow (1, 0).$

Thus, the net also associates a known output pattern with this input

Testing a heteroassociative net with input that is **not similar** to the training input

$$
(0 1, 1, 0) \cdot W = (1, 1) \rightarrow (1, 1).
$$

The output is not one of the outputs with which the net was trained; in other words, the net does not recognize the pattern.





#### First input Second input Third input Fourth input



#### Hetero-associative network- example

A heteroassociative net for associating letters from different fonts





#### Hetero-associative network- example

Pixel is now "on," but this is a mistake (noise).  $\boldsymbol{\omega}$ 

Pixel is now "off," but this is a mistake (noise). O



Response of heteroassociative net to several noisy versions of pattern A.



#### Hetero-associative network- example



Response of heteroassociative net to patterns A, B, and C with mistakes in 1/3 of the components.



#### Auto-associative nets



$$
W = \sum_{p=1}^{P} s^{T}(p)s(p),
$$





**W** The vector  $s = (1, 1, 1, -1)$  is stored with the weight matrix:

$$
\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, 1, -1)
$$
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$$
\mathbf{y} \_in = (4, 4, 4, -4)
$$
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$$
\mathbf{y} = f(4, 4, 4, -4) = (1, 1, 1, -1)
$$
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$$
(1, 1, 1, -1). \mathbf{W} = (4, 4, 4, -4) \to (1, 1, 1, -1)
$$

Correct recognition of input vector



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 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

1 1 1 1

 $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$ 

1 1 1 1

1 1 1 1

 $1 -1 -1 1$ 

 $=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Testing an autoassociative net: one mistake in the input vector

$$
\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{s} = (1, 1, 1, -1)
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#### Auto-associative net- example



#### Auto-associative net- example

Testing an autoassociative net: two mistakes in the input vector



$$
(-1, -1, 1, -1).W=(0, 0, 0, 0)
$$
\n**Incorrect**\n  
\n**recognition**





#### **An autoassociative net with four nodes can store** three orthogonal vectors







It is fairly common for an autoassociative network to have its diagonal terms set to zero



Storing two **Orthogonal** vectors in an autoassociative net

$$
(1, 1, -1, -1) \qquad (-1, 1, 1, -1)
$$
\n
$$
\Downarrow \qquad \qquad W_1 \qquad \qquad W_2 \qquad \qquad W_1 + W_2
$$
\n
$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
-1 & -1 & 1 & 0\n\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}\n0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\
-1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\
-1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & -1 & 0\n\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\n0 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\
-2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -2 & 0 & 0\n\end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
(1, 1, -1, -1).[\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2] = (1, 1, -1, -1)
$$

$$
(-1, 1, 1, -1).[\mathbf{W}_1 + \mathbf{W}_2] = (-1, 1, 1, -1)
$$





Attempting to store two **non-orthogonal** vectors in an autoassociative net

$$
\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$
  
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$$
\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$

$$
\begin{array}{|c|}\n \hline\n & (1,1,-1,1).\n \hline\n \end{array}
$$





Storing three **Orthogonal** vectors in an autoassociative net

$$
(1, 1, -1, -1) \qquad (-1, 1, 1, -1) \qquad (-1, 1, -1, 1) \n\Downarrow \qquad \qquad \Downarrow
$$
\n
$$
\mathbf{W}_{1} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{W}_{2} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{W}_{3} \qquad \mathbf{W}_{1} + \mathbf{W}_{2} + \mathbf{W}_{3} \n\begin{bmatrix}\n0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\
1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & 0 & 1\n\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}\n0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\
-1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\
-1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\
1 & -1 & -1 & 0\n\end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix}\n0 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\
-1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\
1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\
-1 & 1 & -1 & 0\n\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix}\n0 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\
-1 & -1 & -1 & 0\n\end{bmatrix}
$$

Correct recognition of all vectors



Storing four **Orthogonal** vectors in an autoassociative net





#### Hopfield Neural network

- **Hopfield neural network (HNN) is a model of** autoassociative memory
- **If is a single layer neural network with feedbacks.**

Output is 1 iff  $\sum w_i S_j \geq \theta_i$  and is -1 otherwise





#### Hopfield Neural network





#### Hopfield Neural network







To store a set of binary patterns, the weight matrix  $W = i$ s given by:

$$
w_{ij} = \sum_{p} (2s_i(p) - 1)(2s_i(p) - 1), i \neq j ; \qquad w_{ii} = 0
$$

To store a set of bipolar patterns, the weight matrix  $W =$  is given by:

$$
w_{ij} = \sum_{p} s_i(p) s_j(p), \quad i \neq j \quad ; \quad w_{ii} = 0
$$



**Step 0**. Initialize weights to store patterns.

While activations of the net are not converged, do Steps 1-7.

**Step 1.** For each input vector x, do Steps 2-6.

 $i$  **i**  $i$  *i*  $j$  *i* $i$  **<b>***i*  $i$  *i*  $i$  **Step 2**. Set initial activations of net equal to the external

**Step 3.** Do Steps 4-6 for each unit (Units should be updated in random order.)

 $\frac{\partial}{\partial} \mathbf{r} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_j \mathbf{v}_j \mathbf{v}_j \mathbf{v}_j \mathbf{v}_j \mathbf{v}_j$ *j*  $y \ln_i x_i + \sum y_j w_{ji} \ln x_j + \sum y_j w_{ji}$ \_ *i i*  $i \quad y \quad j \quad i \quad y \quad y = i \cdot i \quad y$ *if y in*  $y_i = \left\{ y_i \text{ if } y_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  $\theta$ .  $\theta$ .  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if} \quad y \quad \text{in} \end{cases}$ I  $=\begin{cases} y_i & \text{if} \quad y_i = n_i = 0 \end{cases}$ I **Step 4.** Compute net input:  $y \perp in_i = x_i + \sum y_j w_{ji}$  (1) **Step 5**. Determine activation (output signal):

 $\left[ \begin{array}{cc} 0 & \text{if} & y \text{ } = \text{in}_i < \theta_i. \end{array} \right]$ **Step 6**. Broadcast the value of  $y_i$  to all other units. (This updates the activation vector.)

**Step 7.** Test for convergence.



The vector  $(1, 1, 1, 0)$  (or its bipolar equivalent  $(1, 1, 1, -1)$ ) was stored in a net

the weight matrix is bipolar 
$$
\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$

The input vector is  $x = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ 

For this example the update order is  $Y_1$   $Y_4$   $Y_3$   $Y_2$ 

 $y = (0, 0, 1, 0)$ 

 $Y_{\;\,1}$ Choose unit  $Y_1$  to update its activation:

$$
y_{-}in_{1} = x_{1} + \sum_{j} y_{j}w_{j1} = 0 + 1
$$
  
\n
$$
y_{-}in_{1} > 0 \rightarrow y_{1} = 1 \Longrightarrow y = (1, 0, 1, 0)
$$

$$
y = (0, 0, 1, 0)
$$
  
\nChoose unit  $Y_1$  to update its activation:  
\n
$$
y_{1} = x_1 + \sum y_j w_{j1} = 0 + 1
$$
\n
$$
y_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$

Choose unit  $Y_4$  to update its activation:

Choose unit 
$$
Y_4
$$
 to update its activation:

\n
$$
y_{\text{max}} = x_4 + \sum_{j} y_{j} w_{j4} = 0 + (-2)
$$
\n
$$
y_{\text{max}} = 0 \implies y_4 = 0 \implies y = (1, 0, 1, 0)
$$
\nand

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y_{\text{max}} = (1, 0, 1, 0)
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y_{\text{max}} = (1, 0, 1, 0)
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Choose unit 
$$
Y_3
$$
 to update its activation:  $y = (1, 0, 1, 0)$   
\n $y_{\text{max}} = (x_3 + \sum_{j} y_{j}w_{j3} = 1 + 1$   
\n $y_{\text{max}} = (1, 0, 1, 0)$   
\n $y_{\text{max}} = 0 \rightarrow y_3 = 1 \Longrightarrow y = (1, 0, 1, 0)$ 

Choose unit  $Y_2$ to update its activation:

$$
y_{1}in_{2} = x_{2} + \sum_{j} y_{j}w_{j2} = 0+2
$$
  

$$
y_{1}in_{2} > 0 \rightarrow y_{2} = 1 \implies y = (1, 1, 1, 0)
$$

further iterations do not change the activation of any unit. The net has converged to the stored vector.



#### • **Image reconstruction.**

• A 20 X 20 discrete Hopfield network was trained with 20 input patterns, including the one shown in the left figure and 19 random patterns as the one on the right.







The Hopfield Network After providing only one fourth of the "face" image as initial input, the network is able to perfectly reconstruct that image within only two iterations.









Adding noise by changing each pixel with a probability  $p = 0.3$  does not impair the network's performance. After two steps the image is perfectly reconstructed.





for noise created by  $p = 0.4$ , the network is unable the original image. Instead, it converges against one of the 19 random patterns.















#### Hopfield network- Energy function

Hopfield nets have a scalar value associated with each state of the network, referred to as the "energy", E, of the network, where:

$$
E = -0.5 \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{j} y_{i} y_{j} w_{ij} + \sum_{i} \theta_{i} y_{i}
$$



$$
\Delta E = - \left[ \sum_{j} y_{j} w_{ij} - \theta_{i} \right] \Delta y_{i}
$$

 $\Delta E < 0$ <br>ppfield network constantly<br>decreases its energy a Hopfield network constantly decreases its energy



#### **Problem Statement**

- We need to store a fundamental pattern (memory) given by the vector  $O = [1, 1, 1, -1]^T$  in a four node binary Hopefield network.
- Presume that the threshold parameters are all equal to zero.

Establishing Connection Weights

 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ **W** 0 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1  $1$   $-1$   $-1$   $0$ 



Network' States and Their Code: Total number of states = 16





#### **Calculating energy function for all states:**  $\theta$ =0

$$
E = -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^{4} \sum_{j=1}^{4} w_{ij} o_i o_j
$$

 $E = -1/2(w_{11}o_1o_1 + w_{12}o_1o_2 + w_{13}o_1o_3 + w_{14}o_1o_4 +$  $W_{21}$  0201 +  $W_{22}$  0202 +  $W_{23}$  0203 +  $W_{24}$  0204 +  $W_310_30_1 + W_320_30_2 + W_330_30_3 + W_340_30_4 +$  $W_{41}O_4O_1 + W_{42}O_4O_2 + W_{43}O_4O_3 + W_{44}O_4O_4)$ 



For state  $A = [O_1, O_2, O_3, O_4] [1, 1, 1, 1]$ 

 $E = -1/2(0 + (1)(1)(1) + (1)(1)(1) + (-1)(1)(1) +$  $(1)(1)(1) + 0 + (1)(1)(1) + (-1)(1)(1) +$  $(1)(1)(1) + (1)(1)(1) + 0 + (-1)(1)(1) +$  $(-1)(1)(1) + (-1)(1)(1) + (-1)(1)(1) + 0$  $E = -1/2(0 + 1 + 1 - 1 +$  $1+0+1-1+$  $1+1+0-1+$  $-1-1-1+0$  $E = -1/2(6-6) = 0$ 







State Transition for State  $J = [-1, -1, 1, -1]$ 

Transition  $1$   $(o<sub>1</sub>)$ 

$$
\begin{aligned} &\rho_1 = \textit{sgn}(\sum_{j=1}^4 w_{ij} o_j - \theta_i) = \textit{sgn}(w_{12} o_2 + w_{13} o_3 + w_{14} o_4 - 0) \\ &= \textit{sgn}((1)(-1) + (1)(1) + (-1)(-1)) \\ &= \textit{sgn}(+1) \\ &= +1 \end{aligned}
$$

As a result, the first component of the state J changes from −1 to 1. In other words, the state J transits to the state G

$$
J = [-1,-1,1,-1]^{\textstyle \mathcal{T}} \text{ (2)} \rightarrow G = [\underbrace{1,-1,1,-1}^{\textstyle 1}]^{\textstyle \mathcal{T}} \text{ (0)}
$$



#### Transition  $2(o_2)$

$$
o_2 = sgn(\sum_{j=1}^{4} w_{ij}o_j - \theta_i) = sgn(w_{21}o_1 + w_{23}o_3 + w_{24}o_4)
$$
  
=  $sgn((1)(1) + (1)(1) + (-1)(-1))$   
=  $sgn(+3)$   
= +1

As a result, the second component of the state G changes from −1 to 1. In other words, the state G transits to the state B

B= 
$$
[1, 1, 1, -1]
$$



As state B is a fundamental pattern, no more transition will occur

$$
o_3 = sgn(\sum_{j=1}^{4} w_{ij}o_j - \theta_i) = sgn(w_{31}o_1 + w_{32}o_2 + w_{34}o_4)
$$
  
= sgn((1)(1) + (1)(1) + (-1)(-1))  
= sgn(+3)  
= +1

$$
o_4 = sgn(\sum_{j=1}^{4} w_{ij}o_j - \theta_i) = sgn(w_{41}o_1 + w_{42}o_2 + w_{43}o_3)
$$
  
=  $sgn((-1)(1) + (-1)(1) + (-1)(1))$   
=  $sgn(-3)$   
= -1



$$
B = [1, 1, 1, -1]^T (-6) \rightarrow B = [1, 1, 1, -1]^T (-6)
$$









#### Storage Capacity of Hopfield Net

**Binary** 



**Bipolar** 

$$
P \approx \frac{n}{2\log_2 n}
$$

P: # of patterns that can be stored an recalled in a net with reasonable accuracy n: # of neurons in the net



# Questions