



Artificial Neural Network

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Abstract. An artificial neural network (ANN) is a paradigm for information processing that takes its cues from how organic nervous systems, like the brain, function. The innovative structure of the information processing system is the fundamental component of this paradigm. It is made up of several, intricately linked processing units called neurons that cooperate to address certain issues. ANNs learn via imitation much like people do. Through a learning process, an ANN is tailored for a particular purpose, such as pattern recognition or data categorization. The synaptic connections between the neurons in biological systems change as a result of learning. This also applies to ANNs. This essay provides an outline of how artificial neural networks (ANNs) operate and are trained. Additionally, it explains the uses and benefits of ANN.

1. Introduction

The study of the human brain has a long history. It was only logical to try to control this way of thinking with the development of contemporary technology. When neurophysiologist Warren McCulloch and young mathematician named Walter Pitts published a paper on the potential functions of neurons in 1943, it was the first step toward the development of artificial neural networks. They used electrical circuits to build a simple neural network. Neural networks may be used to identify patterns and discover trends from data that is too complex for either people or other computer systems to pick upon, thanks to their extraordinary capacity to infer meaning from complex or imprecise data. One can consider a trained neural network to be a "expert" in the field of information it has been instructed to analyse. Unlike traditional computers, neural networks approach problem solving differently. Traditional computers tackle problems using an algorithmic technique, which involves the computer following a series of instructions.

The computer cannot resolve the issue unless the precise procedures it has to take are known. Because of this, the capacity of traditional computers to solve issues is limited to those that humans currently comprehend and are familiar with. But if computers could perform tasks that we are unsure of how to execute, they would be so much more beneficial. Similar to how the human brain processes information, neural networks do the same. The network is made up of many closely linked processing units called neurons that work together in parallel to solve a particular issue.

2. What Exactly Is Artificial Neural Network

Artificial neural networks are rudimentary electronic models that are based on the brain's neural network architecture. In essence, experience is how the brain learns. It is an example of how compact, energy-efficient packages may effectively solve some issues that are beyond the capabilities of contemporary computers. Additionally, this brain modelling provides a less technical approach to creating mechanical solutions. In comparison to its more conventional competitors, this novel method of computing also offers a more gradual deterioration amidst system overload. The next significant development in the computing field is anticipated to be these biologically inspired computer techniques. Simple animal brains can do tasks that are now beyond the capabilities of computers. Computers are good at repetitive tasks like keeping ledgers and doing difficult calculations.

The term "Artificial Neural Network (ANN)" should be used instead of "neural network" whenever we discuss a computer that has a brain-inspired design. They generally consist of a large number of modest processing units connected by a complicated communication network. Each unit, or node, is a simplified representation of a genuine neuron that emits a fresh signal or fires if it receives an input signal from another node to which it is attached that is sufficiently powerful. Historically, the phrase "neural network" referred to a network or circuit of biological neurons, but in current usage, the term is frequently used to refer to ANNs.

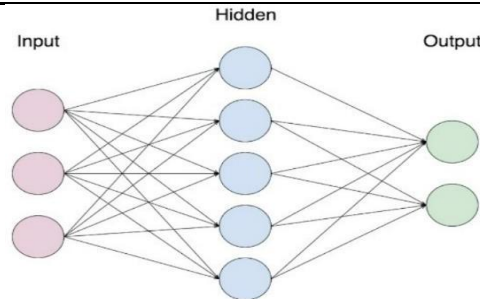


FIGURE 1. ANN

3. Working of ANN

The various ways these individual neurons might be grouped together make up the other aspects of the "art" of employing neural networks. The human brain clusters information in such a way that it can process it in a dynamic, interactive, and self-organizing manner. In the biological world, minute parts are assembled into three-dimensional brain networks. These neurons appear to have almost limitless connectivity potential. Any proposed or current man-made network does not fit this description. With present technology, integrated circuits are two-dimensional objects with a finite number of interconnecting layers. The kinds and range of artificial neural networks that can be implemented in silicon are constrained by this physical fact.

In essence, all artificial neural networks have a topology or structure in which certain neurons communicate with the outside environment to accept information. The network's outputs are sent to the outside world by other neurons. This output might be a specific character that the network believes it has scanned or a specific picture that it believes is being seen. The remaining neurons are all concealed from view.

Each neuron in a hidden layer normally gets signals from all the neurons in the layer above it, which is usually an input layer, in most networks. A neuron provides a feedforward path to the output by sending its output to all of the neurons in the layer below it when it has completed its task. Note that in section 5, the designs are inverted so that the inputs are on the bottom and the outputs are on top.

These channels of communication between neurons are crucial components of brain networks. They hold the system together. They are the connectors that provide an input range of strength. These connectors come in two different varieties. One makes the next neuron's summing mechanism add, while the other makes it subtract. One stimulates, and the other inhibits, in more human words.

In certain networks, a neuron is intended to inhibit the neurons in its layer. The term for this is lateral inhibition. The output layer is where this is most frequently used.

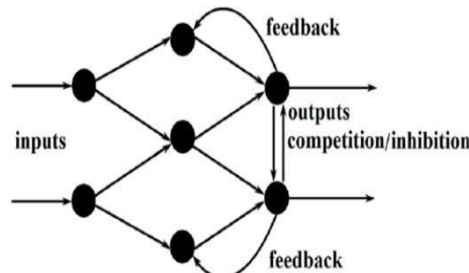


FIGURE 2. Working of ANN

The network's performance is significantly influenced by how the neurons are interconnected. The user has complete control over these connections in the larger, more sophisticated software development programmes. These connections may be made to either stimulate or inhibit by "tweaking" certain parameters.

4. Training of ANN

A network is prepared to be taught once it has been set up for a specific purpose. The starting weights are picked at random to begin this procedure. The training or learning process then starts. Training may be done in two ways: supervised and unsupervised. By manually "grading" the network's performance or by including the intended outputs with the inputs, the network is given the desired result during supervised training. Unsupervised training requires the network to interpret the inputs on its own. Most networks make use of supervised learning. Unsupervised training is used to characterise inputs in the beginning. However, in the full sense of being really self-learning, it is still merely a promising idea that is limited to the lab since it is not fully understood, it does not fully operate, and it is not fully functional.

Supervised Training: By monitoring the model's outputs in real-time and tweaking the system to get closer to the desired accuracy, the supervised learning process is enhanced. The available labelled data and the algorithm are two factors that affect the amount of accuracy that can be achieved. Supervised Training possesses the presence of a supervisor as well as a teacher, as the

name suggests. In its simplest form, supervised learning refers to the process of teaching or training a computer system utilizing labelled data. Which indicates that

the right answer has already been assigned to certain data. In order for the supervised learning algorithm to analyse the training data (set of training examples) and generate an accurate result from labelled data, the machine is then given a new set of examples (data).

Unsupervised training: Unsupervised training is the other kind of instruction. Unsupervised training involves giving the network inputs but not the expected results. The system must next choose the characteristics it will employ to organise the input data into groups. This is frequently referred to as adaptation or self-organization. Unsupervised learning is currently not well understood. The potential for science-fiction-style robots to continuously learn on their own as they experience new circumstances and new places lies in their ability to adapt to their surroundings.

There are many circumstances in life where precise training sets are lacking. Some of these circumstances entail military action when the use of novel weaponry and battle strategies may be encountered. There is still potential for this subject of study because of the unpredictable nature of life and people's desire to be prepared. But at the moment, supervised learning systems account for the lion's share of neural network research. Learning under supervision involves producing outcomes.

5. Applications of ANN

- > Artificial Neural Network (ANN)
- > Facial Recognition.
- > Stock Market Prediction.
- > Social Media.
- > Aerospace.
- > Defence.
- > Healthcare.
- > Signature Verification and Handwriting Analysis.
- > Weather Forecasting

Advantages: The advantages of the neural network are as follows—

- > A neural network can implement tasks that a linear program cannot.
- > When an item of the neural network declines, it can continue without some issues by its parallel features.
- > A neural network determines and does not require to be programmed.
- > It can be executed in any application.

Disadvantages: The disadvantages of the neural network are as follows—

- > The neural network required training to operate.
- > The structure of a neural network is disparate from the structure of microprocessors therefore required to be emulated.
- > It needed high processing time for big neural networks.

6. Conclusion

In this essay, we examined how artificial neural networks (ANNs) function. Also an ANN's training stages. ANN has a number of benefits over traditional methods. You may often anticipate a network to train very effectively, depending on the specific soft application and the strength of the internal data patterns. This is relevant to issues where the linkages may be complex or non-linear. ANNs offer an analytical substitute to traditional methods, which are frequently constrained by rigid assumptions on normality, linearity, variable independence etc. An ANN's ability to capture a variety of associations enables users to rapidly and reasonably easily simulate events that would otherwise be exceedingly challenging or impossible to understand.

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