

classifiers

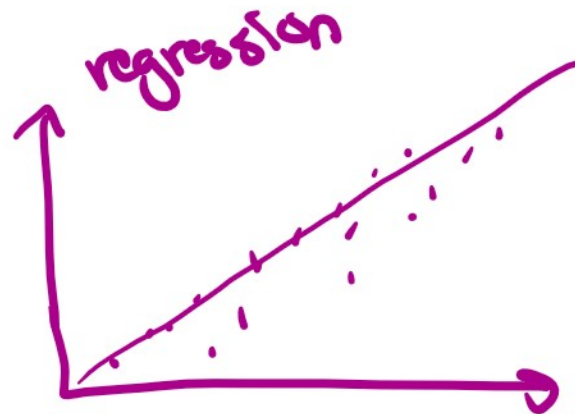
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kale	green	yes	vegetable
apple	green	no	fruit
carrot	orange	no	vegetable
sweet potato	orange	yes	vegetable



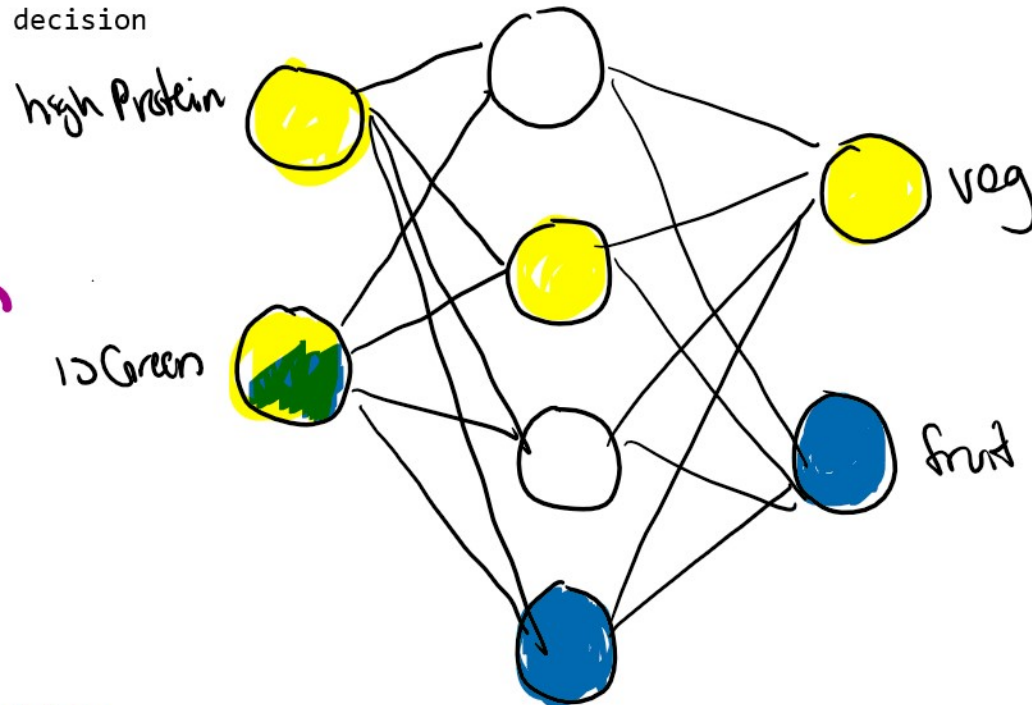
Decision trees essentially build a mathematical function from a set of input data to predict classification of future data

You may have seen a similar concept in science class, where you found a regression (line of best fit) from data points in an experiment



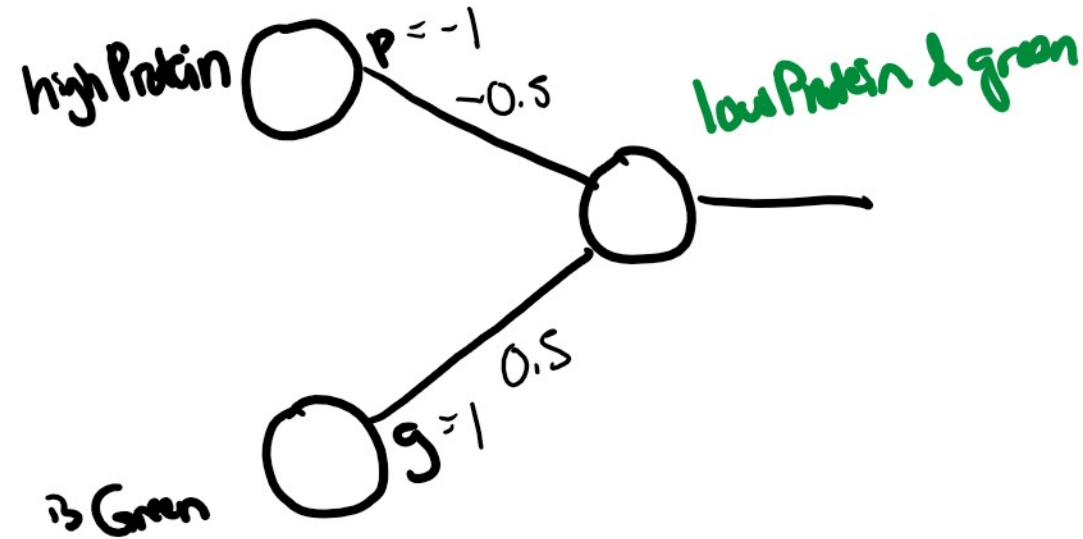
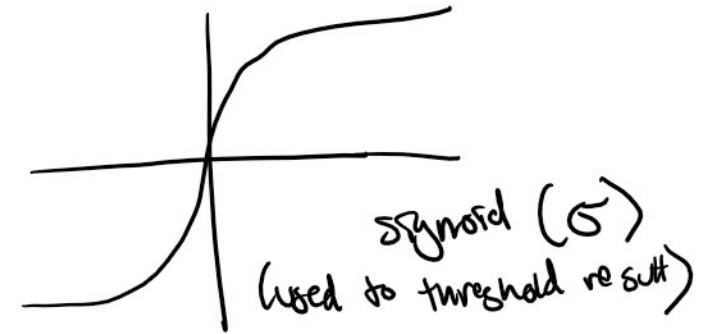
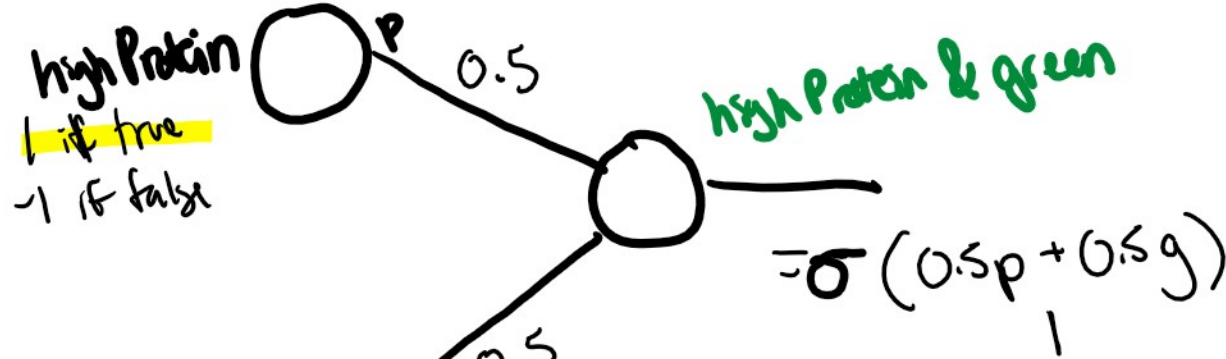
Another way to construct a predictor: "light up" some circles if the correct combo of inputs is lit up.

Here, the middle column represents all possible combos. We can then use the middle column to make a classification decision

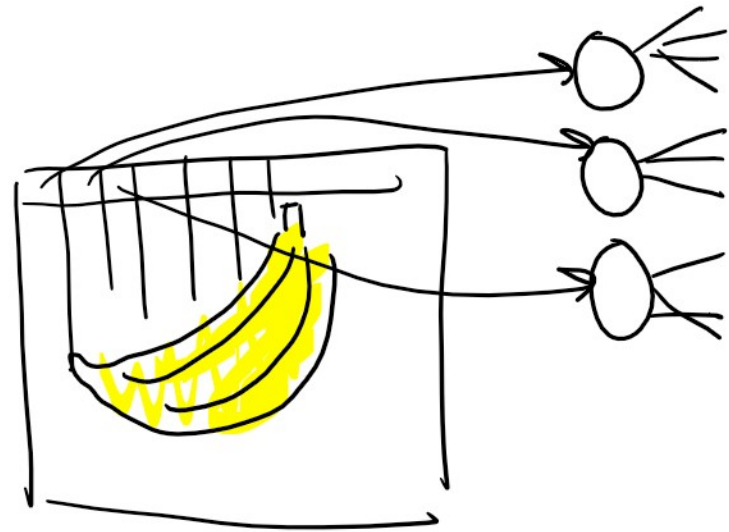
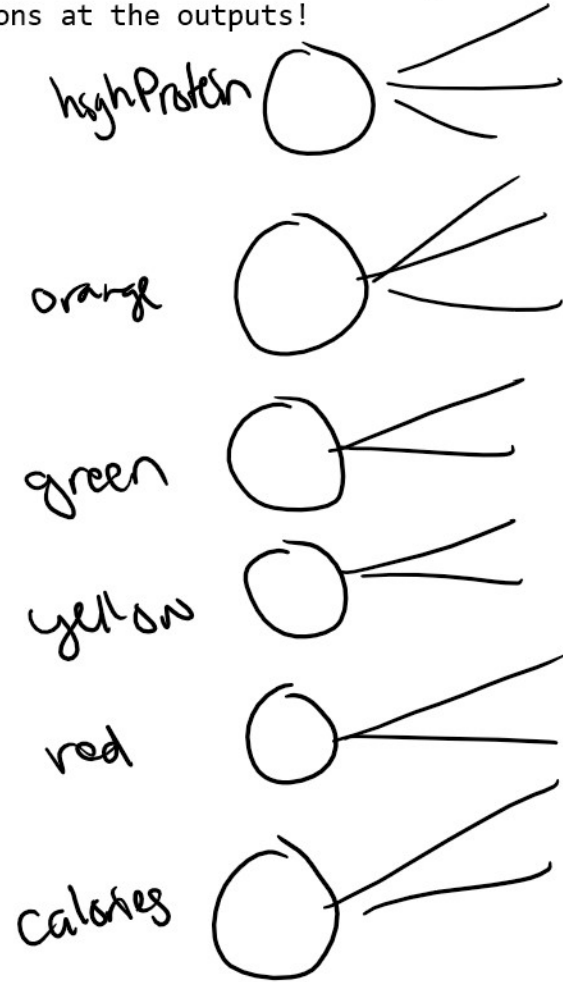


neurons

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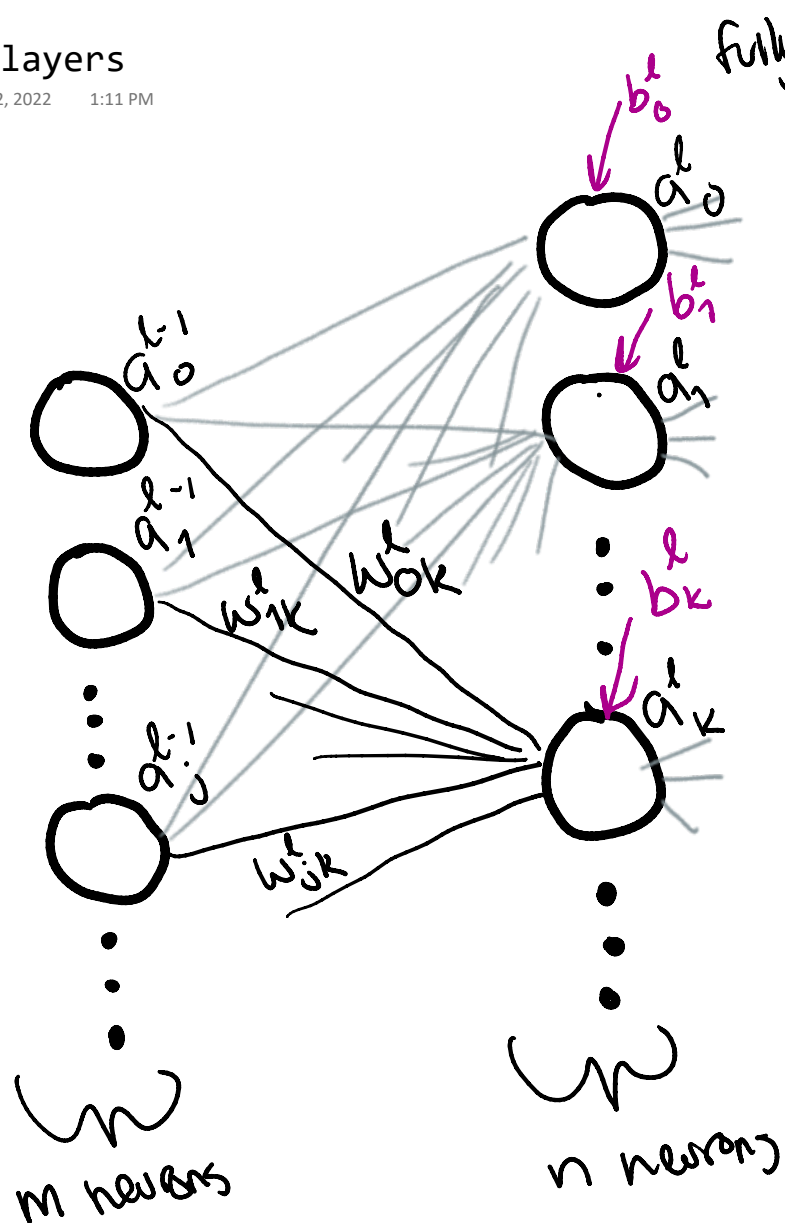


In real life: we do not assign a meaning to the inner neurons, because there may be many different inputs (imagine the below categories, or even pixels in an image). Even if we don't assign meaning to the inner neurons, we can have a computer algorithm settle on correct weights for the edges to come up with accurate predictions at the outputs!



Neuron layers

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fully connected

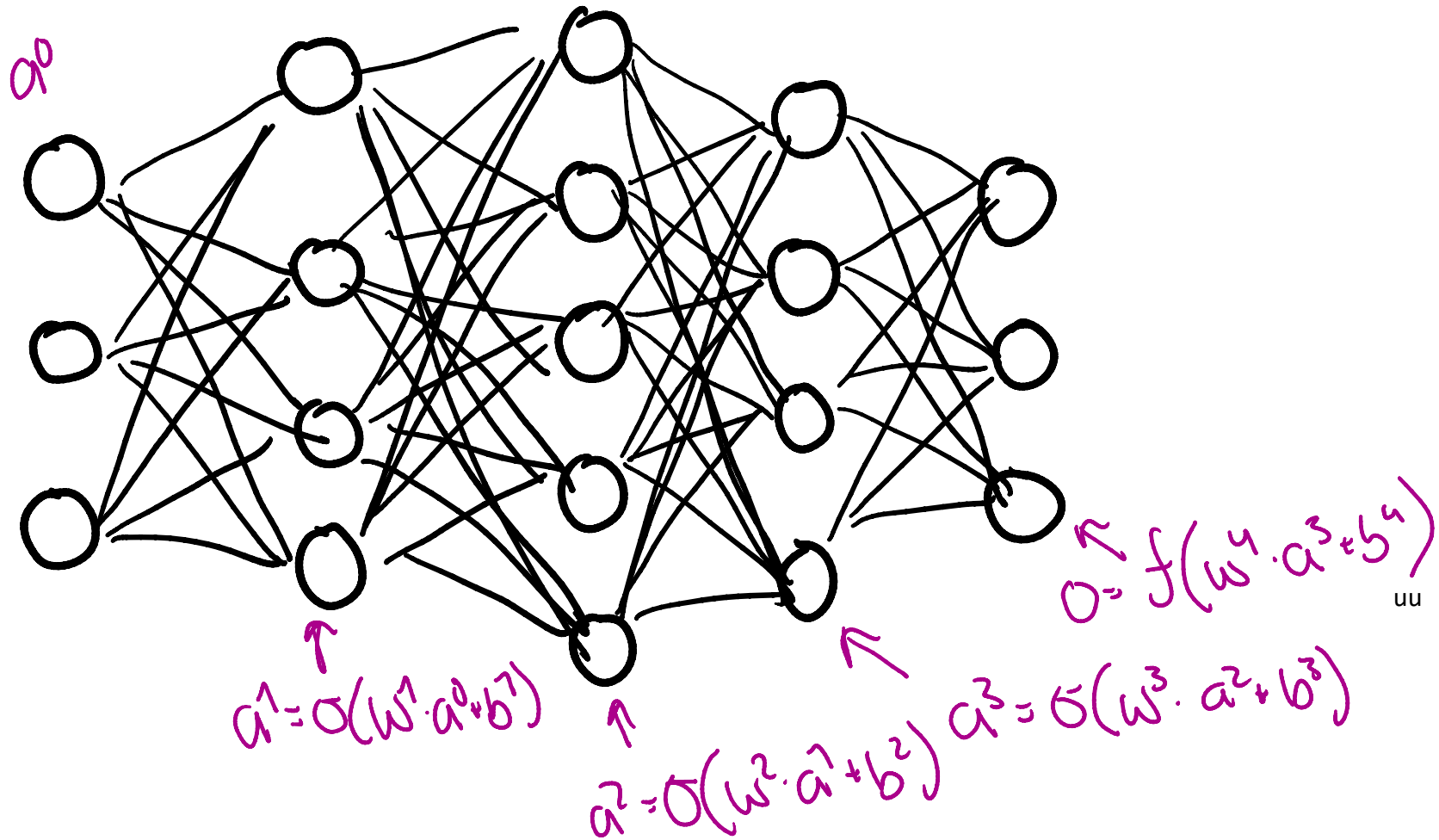
$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{00} & w_{01} & \dots & w_{0n} \\ w_{10} & & & \\ w_{20} & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ w_{m0} & \dots & \dots & w_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_k^l = \sigma \left(\sum_i w_{ik}^l \cdot a_i^{l-1} + b_k^l \right)$$

$$a^l = \sigma \left(W^l \cdot a^{l-1} + b^l \right) \quad \downarrow \text{matrix notation}$$

Neural net

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Gradient descent/backpropagation

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L is the loss function (error between expected/actual output of the training data)

Want to find weights that get it as close to 0 as possible

When we don't know what the global data looks like, we do this in small localized steps by following the slope

We can write down formulas for these slopes for a neural net

Performing such a gradient descent for a neural net is called "backpropagation"