

# A STUDY ON WEIGHTEDMULTI-EXPERT NEURAL NETWORKS IN SOCIAL PROBLEM

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## ABSTRACT

*In this article, the authors attempt to study the problems faced by brick makers using Weighted multi expert neural networks (Wt.M.E.N.N.). The study of brick makers who work as bonded labourers in places around Chennai has been carried out in this paper.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION TO WEIGHTED MULTI EXPERT NEURAL NETWORK:

**Definition: 1.1** A neural network is a computational structure that is inspired by observed process in natural network of biological neurons in the brain. It consists of simple computational units, called neurons that are highly interconnected. Each interconnection has a strength that is expressed by a number referred as weight.

**Definition: 1.2** The bias defines the value of the weighted sum of inputs around which the output of neuron is most sensitive to changes in the sum.

Now we proceed on to define the notion of Weighted Multi Expert Neural Network.

In Neural Network bias plays an important role. So we take the bias as an input with value  $-1$  and its corresponding weight is the sum of the average of the other input weights.

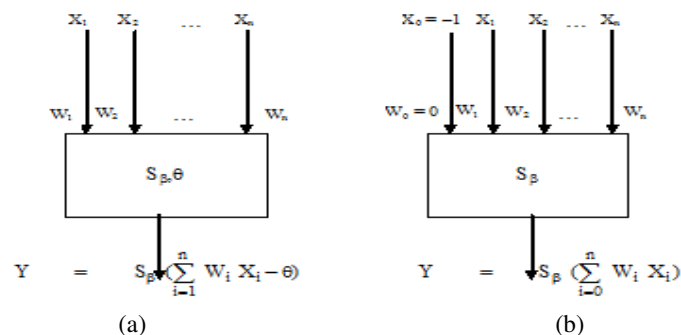
In general, using this newly constructed Weighted Multi Expert Neural Network (Wt. M.E.N.N.), we can extend to 'n' number of experts.

The class of sigmoid function  $S_{\beta}$ , defined by the formula.

$$S_{\beta}(a) = (1 + \exp \{-\beta a\})^{-1}$$

Then, the output of the neuron is defined by

$$Y = S_{\beta} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n W_i X_i - \theta \right)$$



**Fig. 1.1:** Two equivalent representation of a neuron activated by a sigmoid function  $S_{\beta}$  with bias  $\theta$ .

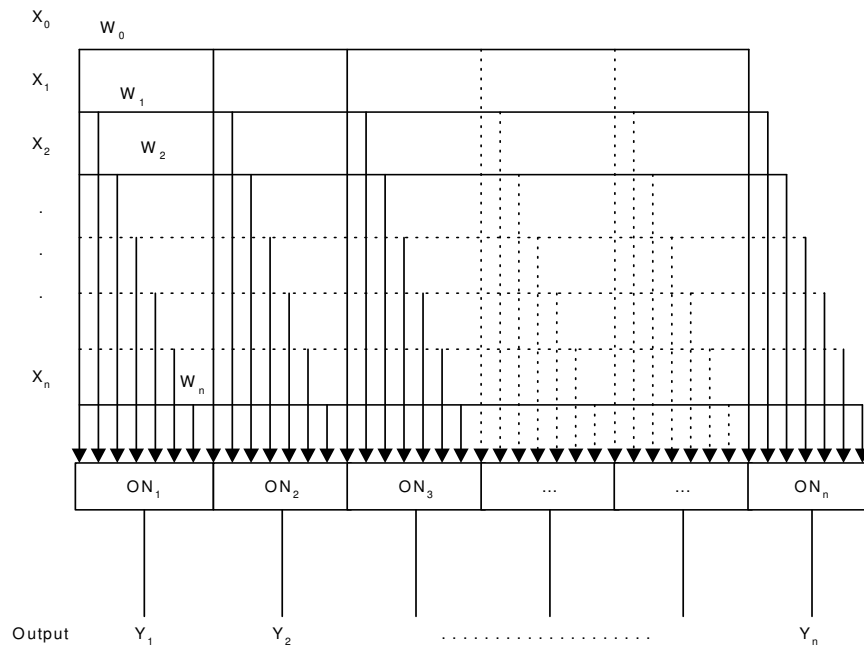
where  $\beta$  is a positive constant (Steepness parameter),  $\theta$  is called the bias of the neuron, since  $\theta$  the bias is considered as an input,  $x_0 = -1$  and the associated weight  $w_0 = \theta$ .

Then the output now is given by

$$Y = S_{\beta} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n W_i X_i \right), \text{ where } W_i \text{ is the weights given by the experts and}$$

$$S_{\beta}(a) = (1 + \exp \{-\beta a\})^{-1}.$$

The multi expert neural network system with opinion's weights



## 2. DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

The study of brick makers who serve as bonded labourers has been carried out with the following motivations.

1. Most of them are agriculturist coolies who have taken up this profession and have become bonded for their sheer existences.
2. The main difference between usual bonded labour and these bonded labourers.
  - (i) They work as bonded labour only for six months and they are bonded only for the period from January to July.
  - (ii) They become bonded as family only for Rs.7,000 to Rs.10,000 which is paid as the money for them in advance. They are not given any money for every day work, which is about 10 to 12 hours a day.
  - (iii) They pay as interest in terms of made bricks.

Thus after six month they are free so they go back to their home. The living conditions of them are not so poor for they are happy for they get some means to exist.

Since the information pertaining to them happen, to be very vague(i.e.) the data happens to be an unsupervised one we are at the outset justified in adopting the multi expert neural networks. We have given only 7 experts opinion in this paper.

## 3. ADAPTATION OF THE WT.M.E.N.N. TO THE PROBLEM:

Here we describe the problem together with the assumed notations and construct the neural network based on the experts opinion on a few factors like.

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|-------|---|---------------------------------|
| $X_1$ | - | Agricultural Failure,           |
| $X_2$ | - | Poverty                         |
| $X_3$ | - | Illiteracy                      |
| $X_4$ | - | Family depts.                   |
| $X_5$ | - | Unemployment / Underemployment. |

Each input  $X_0, X_1, \dots, X_5$  are associated with real numbers called the weights, namely  $W_0, W_1, \dots, W_5$  whose value lie in the interval  $[0,1]$ . We have obtained 7 experts opinion, the corresponding weightage are given by the following table:

	$W_0$	$W_1$	$W_2$	$W_3$	$W_4$	$W_5$
Expert 1	0.73	0.80	0.70	0.60	0.50	0.40
Expert 2	0.52	0.75	0.82	0.73	0.70	0.50
Expert 3	0.63	0.60	0.50	0.62	0.80	0.70
Expert 4	0.80	0.67	0.73	0.58	0.72	0.60
Expert 5	0.78	0.50	0.87	0.74	0.60	0.72
Expert 6	0.69	0.73	0.72	0.63	0.71	0.53
Expert 7	0.75	0.68	0.47	0.72	0.68	0.43

The average of the weightage are given by the experts namely  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_7$ .

$E_1$	$E_2$	$E_3$	$E_4$	$E_5$	$E_6$	$E_7$
0.60	0.70	0.64	0.66	0.69	0.66	0.59

By taking the input as the average of the weightage given by the experts and the value of bias is kept as in the case of neural network to be  $-1$ .

$X_0$	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_5$
-1	0.68	0.69	0.66	0.67	0.55

In general, using this newly constructed Weighted Multi Expert Neural Network (Wt.M.E.N.N.), we can extend to 7 number of experts say  $E_1$ ,

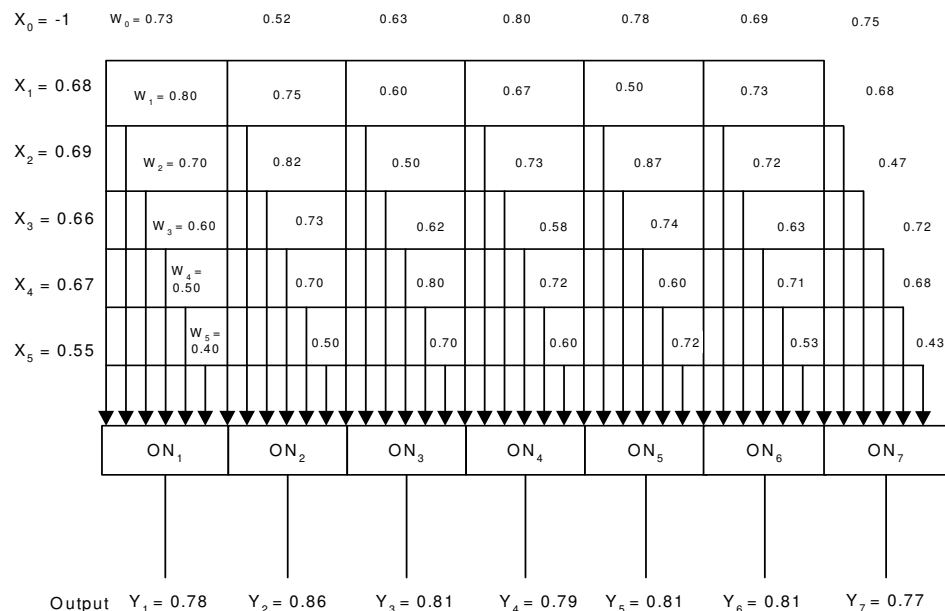
$E_2, \dots, E_7$  and their corresponding output is given by,

$$Y_i = S_{\beta} \left( \sum_{i=0}^7 W_i X_i \right), \text{ where } W_i \text{ is the weights given by the experts and}$$

$$S_{\beta}(a) = (1 + \exp \{-\beta a\})^{-1}.$$

We now model this by the weighted multi expert neural network (Wt.M.E.N.N) and in our opinion this Wt.M.E.N.N, takes the weight of every expert equally even before the data is processed for result.

#### The multi expert neural network system of experts opinion with weightages of the seven experts



From the output, we see that the over all opinion of the experts regarding the bonded labour happen to be  $> 0.5$ .

Thus to make a fuzzy analysis we using the same experts define the fuzzy set  $\mu$  taking the opinion of the experts,  $E_1, \dots, E_7$  as the universal set  $E$ .

The membership function  $\mu$  given by the experts:

$$\mu : E \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ where } E = \{E_1 \dots E_7\}$$

$$\mu(E) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } E_i < 0.5 \\ 0.70 & \text{if } 0.5 \leq E_i < 0.6 \\ 0.80 & \text{if } 0.6 \leq E_i < 0.7 \\ 0.90 & \text{if } 0.7 \leq E_i < 0.8 \\ 1.00 & \text{if } 0.8 \leq E_i < 1.0 \end{cases}$$

where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$

Now using the fuzzy membership grade given by the same experts and the output got from the Wt.M.E.N.N., we draw it comparison table of fuzzy set value and it output from Wt. M.E.N.N.

	Average Weight	Wt. M.E.N.N.	Fuzzy set value $\mu[E]$	Difference between Wt. M.E.N.N. and $\mu[E]$
Expert 1	0.60	0.78	0.80	0.02
Expert 2	0.70	0.86	0.90	0.04
Expert 3	0.64	0.81	0.80	0.01
Expert 4	0.66	0.79	0.80	0.01
Expert 5	0.69	0.81	0.80	0.01
Expert 6	0.66	0.81	0.80	0.01
Expert 7	0.59	0.77	0.70	0.07

#### 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

We now once again using the opinion of the experts we agree to accept an opinion (say) or neglect it according as the difference is less than or equal to 0.05 or great than 0.05. Thus, we now obtain the following conclusions from our study.

1. Failure of agriculture and poor yield is the major reason for these people to become bonded labour.
2. It is a pity to note that they are willing to work even for more than 12 hours without any grudge for an amount of Rs.7, 000 to Rs.10,000 for six month as the bonded labourers. As the agriculturist coolies, they cannot earn this sum evenfor a year.
3. However they are tried due to over work.
4. Some of them are still unaware of the fact the extra bricks they do is the interest they pay interms of labour for the advance received to be bonded for six months..
5. They feel that they have to become bonded due to acute poverty and family debts.
6. The Government can intervene and sees that the adults can work but the children must be spared of child labour.

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