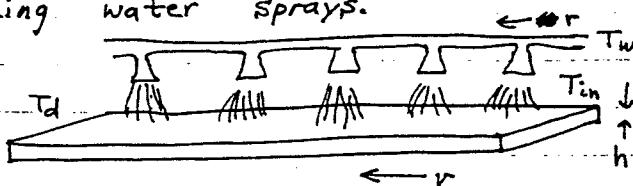


E. Cotton Optimization

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exp: Cooling a bar of steel to desired temperature by controlling water sprays.



Variables:  $T_w \equiv$  temperature of water

$T_{in} \equiv$  temperature of bar before sprays

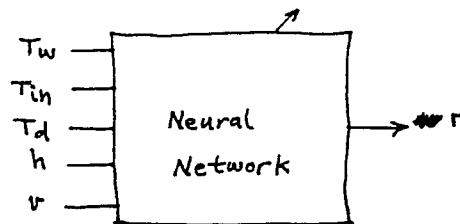
$T_d \equiv$  desired temperature of bar after sprays

$h \equiv$  thickness of bar

$v \equiv$  velocity of bar

$r \# \equiv$  water flow rate

We use neural network to control the flow:



$\vec{w} \leftarrow$  synaptic weights for neural net  
adapted by gradient descent

We compute the difference between the actual temperature we get after the sprays,  $T_a$ , and the desired temperature,  $T_d$ , and we square it.

$$E = \frac{1}{2} (T_d - T_a)^2$$

Our gradient descent algorithm for weight  $w_i$  is

$$\Delta w_i = -\eta \frac{\partial E}{\partial w_i}$$

We hope that this learning scheme will optimize the values of the synaptic weights in the neural network.