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SOLUTIONS TO EXERCISES 4

H4 / Problem 1.

Case $n = 2$. There are two vectors $\{1, 2\}$. Only one possibility,

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{2\}$$

Case $n = 3$. There are three vectors $\{1, 2, 3\}$. There are three possible groupings,

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{2, 3\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{2\}, C_2 = \{1, 3\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{3\}, C_2 = \{1, 2\}.$$

Case $n = 4$. There are four vectors $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. There are seven possible groupings,

$$C_1 = \{1\}, C_2 = \{2, 3, 4\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{2\}, C_2 = \{1, 3, 4\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{3\}, C_2 = \{1, 2, 4\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{4\}, C_2 = \{1, 2, 3\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{1, 2\}, C_2 = \{3, 4\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{1, 3\}, C_2 = \{2, 4\}, \text{ or}$$

$$C_1 = \{1, 4\}, C_2 = \{2, 3\}.$$

For $n = 5$ there are $5 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 15$ possible groupings. It seems that the number of groupings for n points is $2^{n-1} - 1$.

Let us prove that the number is $2^{n-1} - 1$. Take a binary vector of length n such that its i -th element

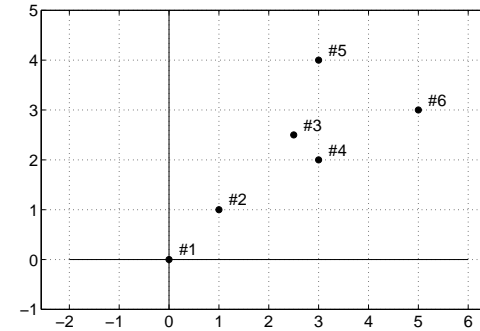
$$b_i = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i\text{-th point is first cluster} \\ 1, & \text{if } i\text{-th point is second cluster} \end{cases}$$

All possible combinations are allowed except $b_i = 0$ for all i , $b_i = 1$ for all i , because then there is only one cluster. Thus the number is $2^n - 2$ (there are 2^n different binary vectors of length n).

But one half are equivalent to the other half because "first" and "second" cluster can be changed (consider case $n = 2$).

The final number is $\frac{1}{2}(2^n - 2) = 2^{n-1} - 1$.

H4 / Problem 2.



Hierarchical clustering and dendrogram (ryhmittelypuu). Combine clusters using the nearest distance ("single linkage"). In the beginning there are six clusters

$$\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}$$

Items 3 and 4 are nearest and combined

$$\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}$$

Then the nearest clusters are 1 and 2

$$\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5\}, \{6\}$$

Next, 5 is connected to the cluster $\{3, 4\}$, because the distance from 5 to 3 (nearest) is smallest

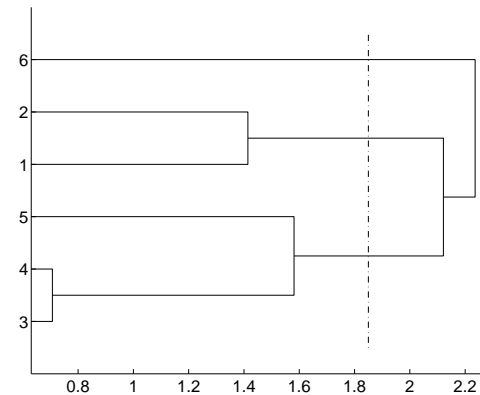
$$\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4, 5\}, \{6\}$$

Note that distance between 2 and 3 is smaller than that of 6 to 4 or 5, and therefore

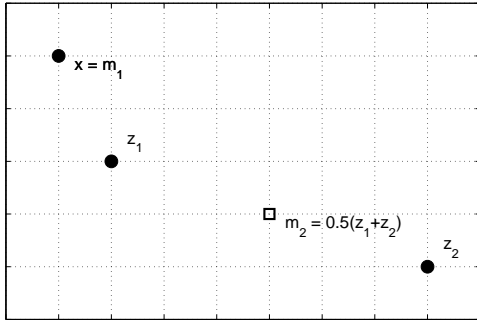
$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, \{6\}$$

The algorithm ends when all points/clusters are combined to one big cluster.

The result can be visualized using the dendrogram, see the figure below. The best choice for three clusters is $\{1, 2\}$, $\{3, 4, 5\}$, $\{6\}$.



H4 / Problem 3.



Now $\|z_1 - m_1\| < \|z_1 - m_2\|$ and so z moves together with x . New centers are:

$$m'_1 = 0.5(x + z_1), \quad m'_2 = z_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} J^{OLD} &= \|z_1 - m_2\|^2 + \|z_2 - m_2\|^2 + \underbrace{\|x - m_1\|^2}_0 \\ &= \|z_1 - 0.5(z_1 + z_2)\|^2 + \|z_2 - 0.5(z_1 + z_2)\|^2 \\ &= 0.25\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 + 0.25\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 \\ &= 0.5\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 \\ J^{NEW} &= \|z_1 - m'_1\|^2 + \underbrace{\|z_2 - m'_2\|^2}_0 + \|x - m'_1\|^2 \\ &= 0.5\|x - z_1\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Now we remember that $\|z_1 - m_1\|^2 < \|z_1 - m_2\|^2$ (that is why z_1 moved to the other cluster).

$$\Rightarrow \|z_1 - \underbrace{x}_{m_1}\|^2 < \|z_1 - \underbrace{0.5(z_1 + z_2)}_{m_2}\|^2 = 0.25\|z_1 - z_2\|^2$$

So,

$$J^{NEW} = 0.5\|x - z_1\|^2 < 0.5 \cdot 0.25\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 < 0.5\|z_1 - z_2\|^2 = J^{OLD}$$

H4 / Problem 4.

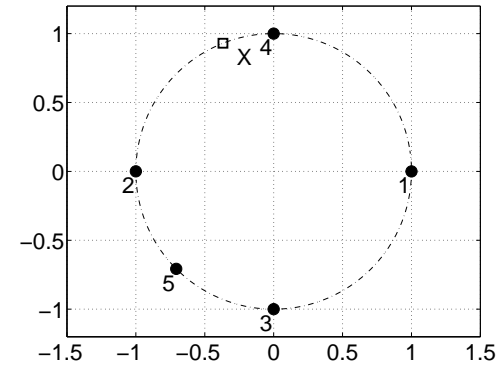
Number of neurons is N^2 . For each neuron j , we have to compute

$$\sum_{i=1}^d (x_i - m_{ij})^2$$

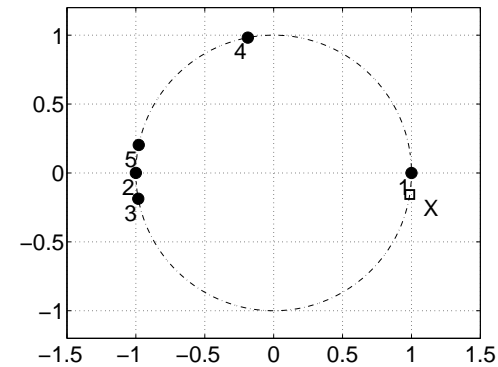
which takes d subtractions, d multiplications, $d - 1$ additions. This means totally $N^2(2d - 1)$ additions (subtraction and addition are usually equivalent) and N^2d multiplications.

H4 / Problem 5.

Choose x so that its angle is a little less than 135° .



Now best matching unit (BMU): 4, neighbours: 5 and 3. They move on the circle half-way towards x .



Now choose x so that its angle is very small negative. BMU: 1, neighbours: 5 and 2. They are moving closer to x along unit circle. 5 jumps over 4, and 2 jumps over 3. Now 1D SOM is in order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

