

Neural Networks and Fuzzy Logic (630514)

Lecture 11

Supervised Learning in Neural Networks (Part 4) Hopfield Networks

- Neural networks were designed by analogy with the brain. The brain's memory, however, works by association.
- Multilayer neural networks trained with the back-propagation algorithm are used for pattern recognition problems. However, *to emulate the human memory's associative characteristics we need* a different type of network: a *recurrent neural network*.
- A recurrent neural network has **feedback loops** from its outputs to its inputs. The presence of such loops has a profound impact on the learning capability of the network.
- **John Hopfield** in 1982 formulated the physical principle of storing information in a dynamically stable network (**Content-Addressable Memory**).

Single-layer n-neuron Hopfield network

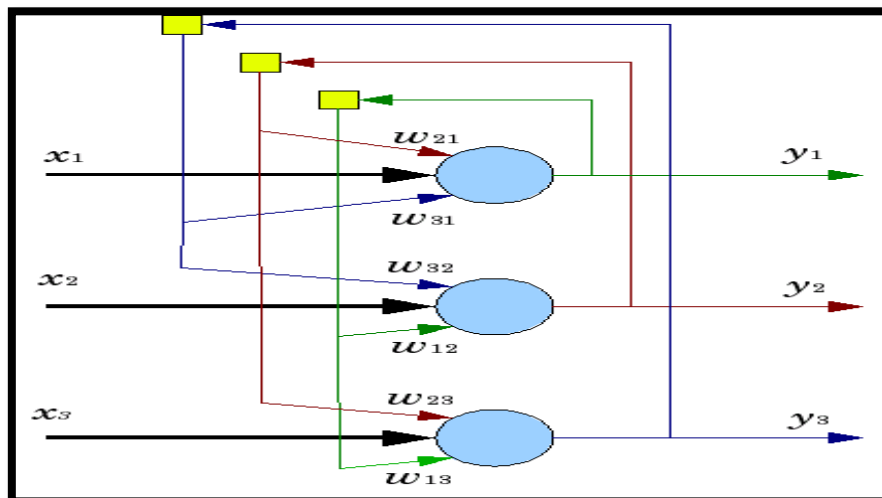
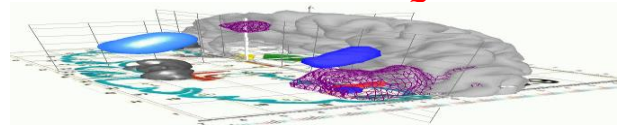


Figure 1

Common Properties and Architecture:

- Every neuron is connected to every other neuron.
- Fully connected with Symmetric weights: $w_{ij} = w_{ji}$.
- No self-loops : $w_{ii} = 0$.
- Each neuron has a single input from the outside world.
- In the Hopfield model the neurons have a binary output taking the values **-1** and **1**.
- Random updating for neurons.
- A Hopfield Network is a model of *associative memory*. It is based on Hebbian learning but uses binary neurons.



- A Hopfield Network provides a formal model which can be analyzed for determining the **storage capacity** of the network.
- An associative memory can be thought as a set of attractors, each with its own basin of attraction.
- The space of all possible states of the network is called the **configuration space**.
- **Basins of attraction**: Division of the configuration space by stored patterns.
- Stored patterns should be attractors.

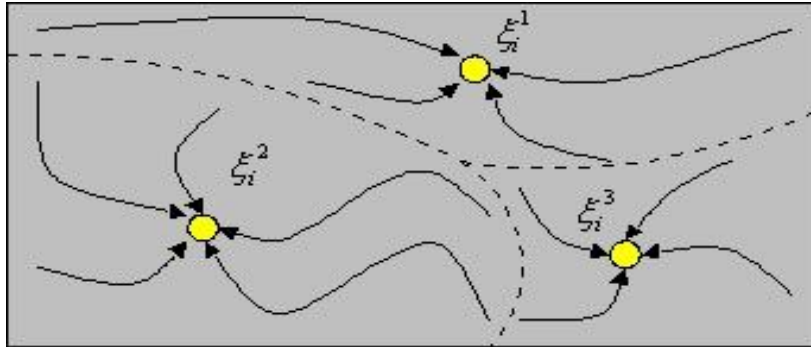


Figure 2

- Memories are attractors in state space as shown in the figure.

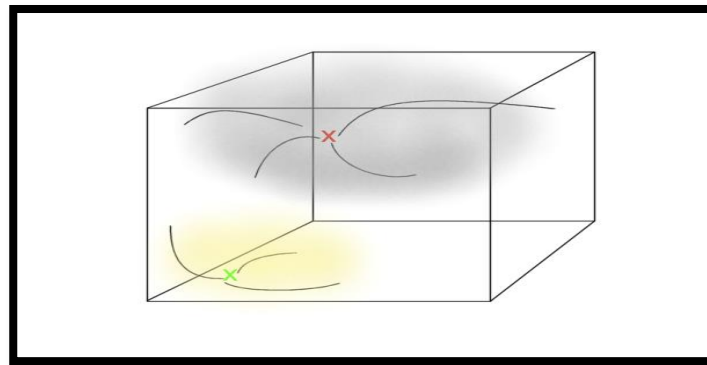
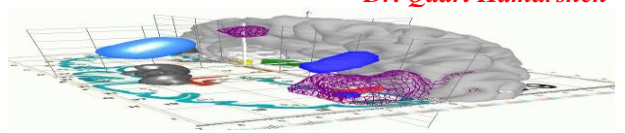


Figure 3

- The dynamics of the system carries starting points into one of the attractors as shown in the above figure.
- A Hopfield net is composed of **binary threshold units** with recurrent connections between them. Recurrent networks of **non-linear units** are generally very hard to analyze. They can behave in many different ways:
 - Settle to a stable state.
 - Oscillate.
 - Follow chaotic trajectories that cannot be predicted.
- But Hopfield realized that if the connections are **symmetric**, there is a **global energy function**.
- Each "**configuration**" of the network has energy.
- The binary threshold decision rule causes the network to settle to an energy minimum.
- Pattern recognizer.



- Hopfield networks have two applications. First, they can act as **associative memories**. Second, they can be used to solve **optimization problems**.

According to figure 1:

- The Hopfield model starts with the **standard McCulloch-Pitts model** of a neurons with the sign activation function:

$$Y^{sign} = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{if } X > 0 \\ -1, & \text{if } X < 0 \\ Y, & \text{if } X = 0 \end{cases}$$

- The **current state** is determined by the current outputs of all neurons, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n . Thus, for a single-layer n-neuron network, the state can be defined by the **state vector** as:

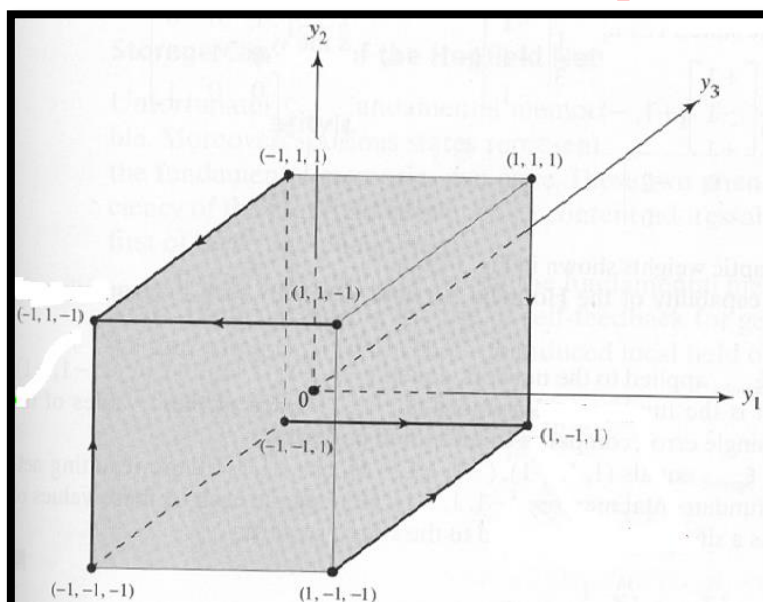
$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

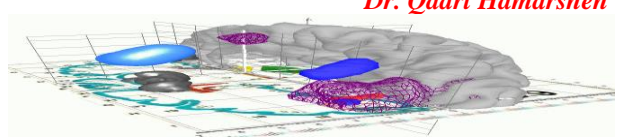
- Synaptic weights** between neurons are represented in matrix form as follows:

$$\mathbf{W} = \sum_{m=1}^M \mathbf{Y}_m \mathbf{Y}_m^T - M \mathbf{I}$$

- Where M is the number of **states** to be memorized by the network, \mathbf{Y}_m is the n-dimensional binary vector, \mathbf{I} is $n \times n$ identity matrix, and superscript T denotes matrix transposition.

Possible states for the three-neuron Hopfield network





- The stable state-vertex is determined by the weight matrix \mathbf{W} , the current input vector \mathbf{X} , and the threshold matrix θ . If the input vector is partially incorrect or incomplete, the initial state will converge into the stable state-vertex after a few iterations.

Example:

- Suppose, that our network is required to memorize two states, $(1, 1, 1)$ and $(-1, -1, -1)$. Thus,

$$\mathbf{Y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Y}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Y}_1^T = [1 \ 1 \ 1]$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_2^T = [-1 \ -1 \ -1]$$

where \mathbf{Y}_1 and \mathbf{Y}_2 are the three-dimensional vectors.

- The 3×3 identity matrix \mathbf{I} is

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- weight matrix** calculation:

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [1 \ 1 \ 1] + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} [-1 \ -1 \ -1] - 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The network is tested by the sequence of input vectors, \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 , which are equal to the output (or target) vectors \mathbf{Y}_1 and \mathbf{Y}_2 , respectively using the following equation:

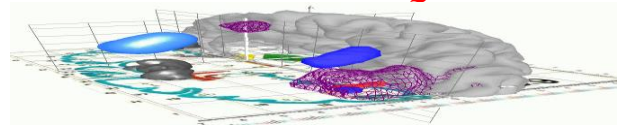
$$\mathbf{Y}_m = \text{sign}(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}_m - \theta), \quad m = 1, 2, \dots, M$$

Where θ is the threshold. The testing process include the following steps:

- 1) **Activate** the network by applying the input vector \mathbf{X} .
- 2) **Calculate** the actual output vector \mathbf{Y} .
- 3) **Compare** the result with the initial input vector \mathbf{X} .

$$\mathbf{Y}_1 = \text{sign} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_2 = \text{sign} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- The remaining six states are all unstable. However, stable states (also called **fundamental memories**) are capable of attracting states that are close to them.
- The fundamental memory $(1, 1, 1)$ attracts unstable states $(-1, 1, 1)$, $(1, -1, 1)$ and $(1, 1, -1)$. Each of these unstable states represents a single error, compared to the fundamental memory $(1, 1, 1)$.
- The fundamental memory $(-1, -1, -1)$ attracts unstable states $(-1, -1, 1)$, $(-1, 1, -1)$ and $(1, -1, -1)$.
- Thus, the Hopfield network can act as an **error correction network**.