

# Neural Networks: Hopfield Model

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## □ Contents:

- What is Hopfield Model?
  - ★ A dynamical system with no input/output.
- Associative Memory.
  - ★ A model of human memory.
  - ★ How we model associative memory with Hopfield network?
- Combinatorial Optimization Problem.
  - ★ What is combinatorial optimization problem?
    - NP-complete problem.
  - ★ Hopfield model can solve combinatorial optimization problem.
    - Energy level of network state.
    - How we solve the problems with Hopfield network?
    - Examples.
      - 8-rook problem.
      - Traveling Salesperson Problem (TSP).
- Boltzman Machine.
  - ★ To escape from a trap of local minimum.

**The 1st day:**

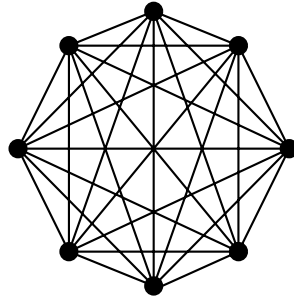
**Monday, 21 April 2003**  
**(16:20 – 17:40)**

Today's Keywords:

*neuron, synapse, weight, threshold, transfer function,  
dynamics of neurons' state, initial state, trajectory,  
limit cycle, chaotic trajectory,  
convergence to a stable state, fixed point*

## □ Hopfield Model

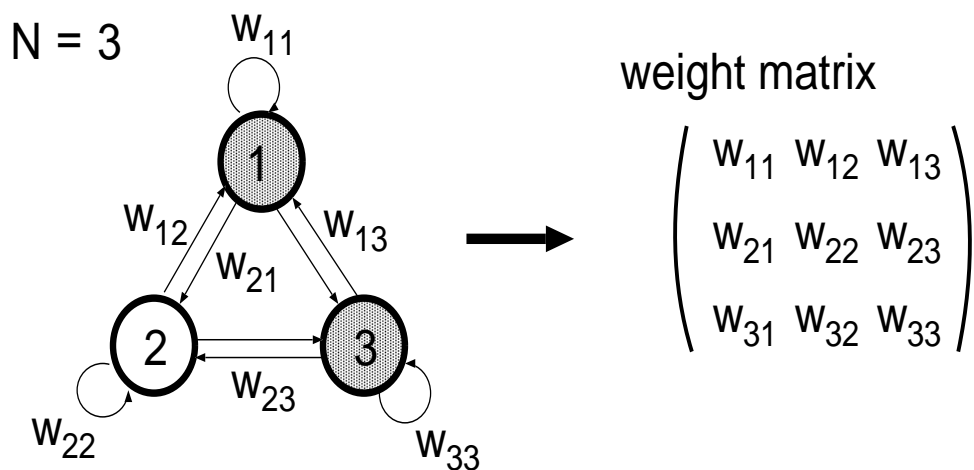
is a *Fully-connected Neural Network*.



## □ State Transition

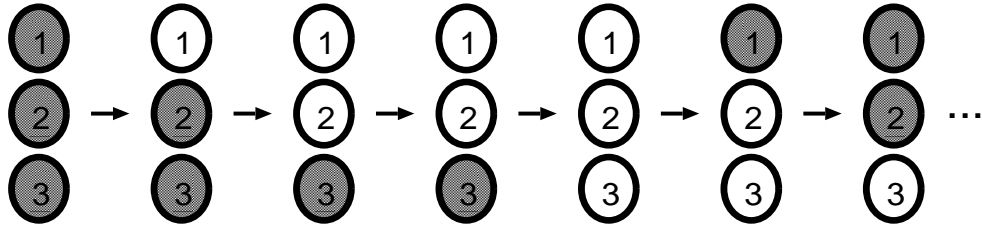
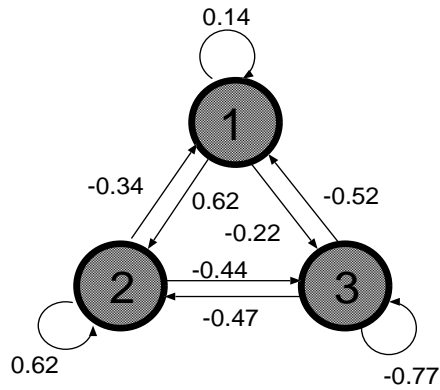
$$s_i(t+1) = \text{sgn} \left( \sum_{j \neq i}^N w_{ij} \cdot s_j(t) \right).$$

## □ A Toy Model with Three Neurons



## □ Examples of State Trajectory:

### Example 1 (Chaotic Trajectory?)

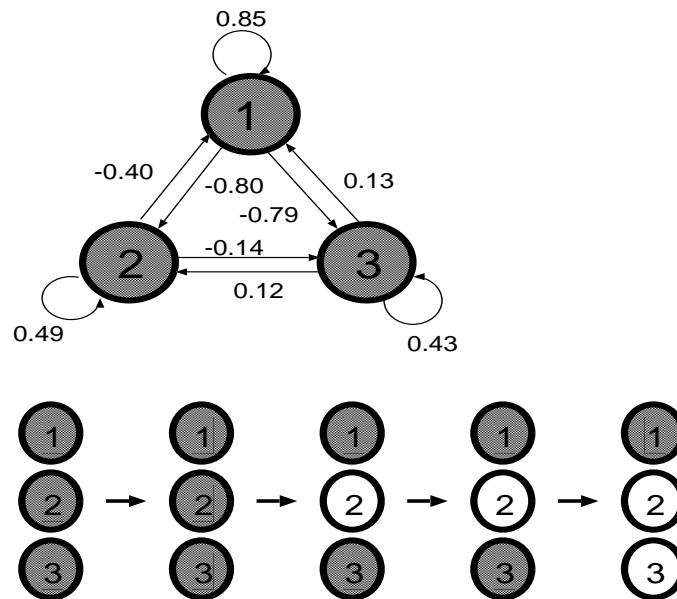


An example of state transition in the above toy example:

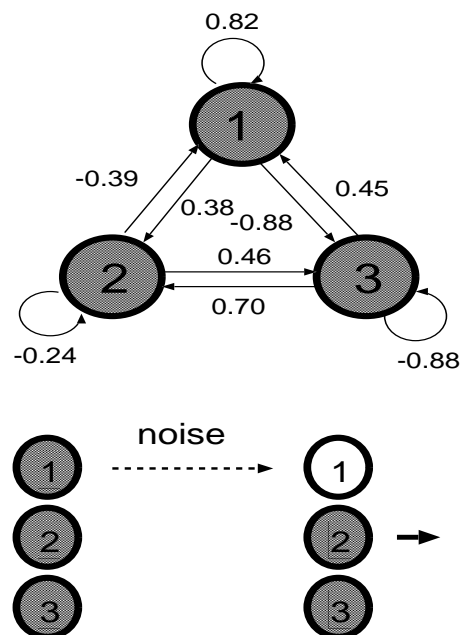
$$\begin{aligned}
 s_1(1) &= \operatorname{sgn} (w_{11} \cdot s_1(0) + w_{12} \cdot s_2(0) + w_{13} \cdot s_3(0)) \\
 &= \operatorname{sgn} (0.14 \cdot 1 + (-0.34) \cdot 1 + (-0.52) \cdot 1) \\
 &= -1
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Example 2: Convergence to a Stable State



## Example 3: Fixed Point



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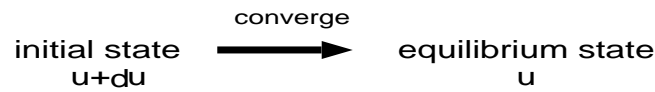
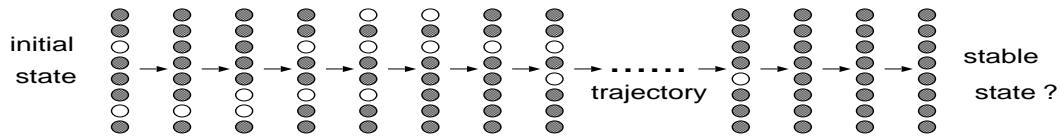
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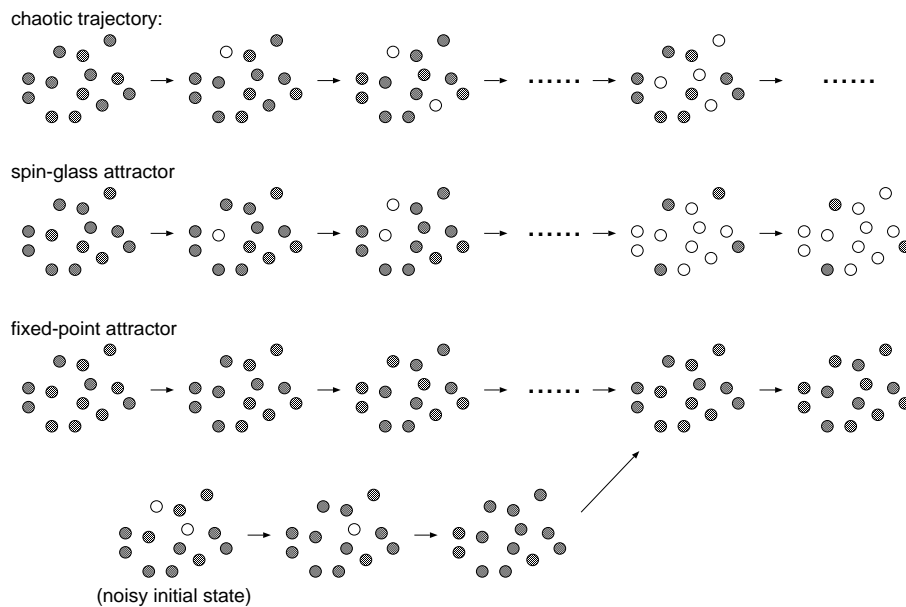
*associative memory, Hebbian learning*  
*store/recall patterns,*  
*storage capacity, basin of attraction*

# □ Associative Memory as a Dynamical System

associative memory = dynamical system



## □ A category of trajectories





## □ Hebbian Weights

$$w_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\nu=1}^p \xi_i^{\nu} \xi_j^{\nu} \quad (i \neq j), \quad w_{ii} = 0.$$

- To store  $(1, 1, 1)$ , for example:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0.11 & 0.11 \\ 0.11 & 0 & 0.11 \\ 0.11 & 0.11 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Many other solutions of a *weight configuration* to store a same set of patterns exist, and each of these solutions
  - \* can *recall* stored pattern from its
    - partial input; and/or
    - incorrect input
  - \* but has a different
    - *basin of attraction*;
    - *storage capacity*.

## □ The Other Topics of Associative Memory

- Memory of a set of Motion Pictures

$$w_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mu=1}^p \xi_i^{\mu+1} \xi_j^{\mu}. \quad (1)$$

- How to forget already stored patterns?

$$w_{ij} = w_{ij} - \frac{\lambda}{N} \xi_i \xi_j. \quad (2)$$

e.g., repeat equation(2) 1000 times with  $\lambda = 0.01$ .

- Storage capacity (How many patterns can be stored?)

- Under Hebb's rule

$$p/N < 0.138 \quad (3)$$

- E. Gardner asserts (1988).

$$p/N < 2 \quad (4)$$

## The 3rd day:

**Monday, 19 May 2003**  
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Today's Keywords:

*combinatorial optimization problem,  
polynomial time, combinatorial explosion, NP-complete,  
knapsack problem, weighted-matching-problem,  
traveling salesperson problem,  
only-one-bit-on-problem, eight-rook-problem,  
virtual energy of Hopfield network for any possible state,  
Garden of Eden*

## □ Combinatorial Optimization Problem.

When the problem is of size  $N$  <sup>1</sup>



the number of possible candidate solutions is typically <sup>2</sup>

$$N!, N^N, e^N, \dots$$

(called *combinatorial explosion*)

(Imagine how huge is the solution space for a large  $N$ .)



If we want the one that minimizes the cost function



we call these problems

*Combinatorial Optimization Problems.*

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<sup>1</sup> In Traveling Salesperson Problem (TSP) the size is the number of city to which a salesperson must visit in a tour.

<sup>2</sup> In TSP the number of possible candidate solutions is  $(N - 1)!$ .

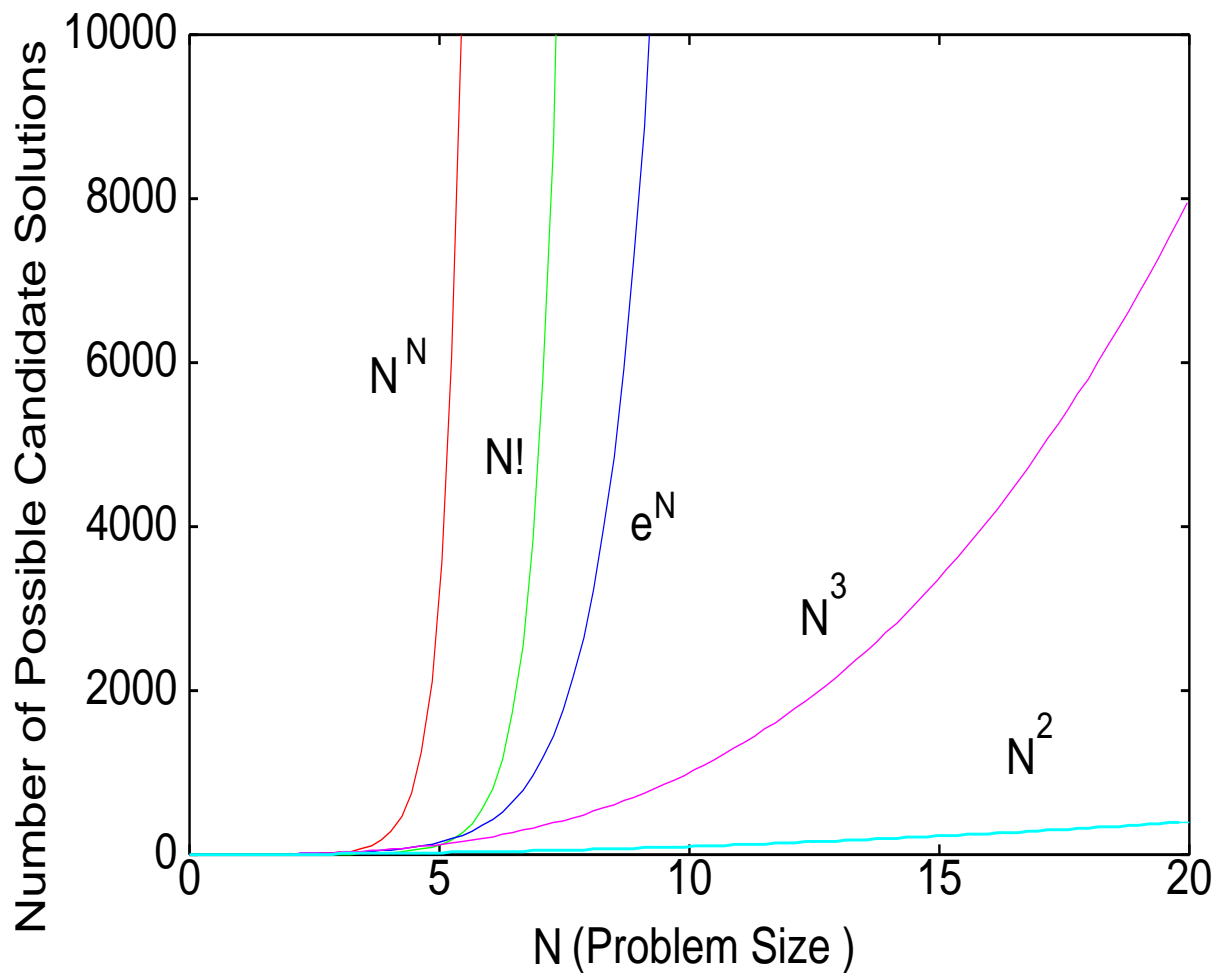
□ **NP-Complete.**

If there exists an algorithm that solves the problem in a time that grows only polynomially (or slower) w.r.t.  $N$ ,



then it is said to be polynomial class: P.

- See examples of how the number grows w.r.t.  $N$ .



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If one can verify in polynomial time  
whether any guess of the solution is right or not



we call it non-deterministic polynomial class:  $NP$ .

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If it's impossible to verify in polynomial time



we call it  $NP$ -hard.

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Then



$NP + NP\text{-hard} = NP\text{-complete}$ <sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> If one could find a deterministic algorithm that solves one NP-complete problem in polynomial time then all other NP problems could be solved in polynomial time.

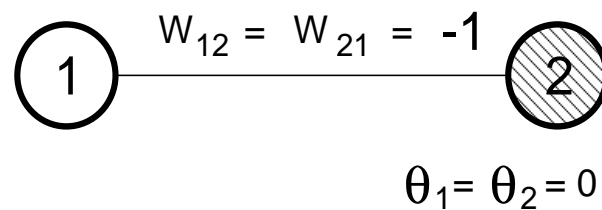
## □ Energy of State

Hopfield network in which synapse from neuron  $i$  to  $j$  is  $w_{ij}$  and threshold of neuron  $i$  is  $\theta_i$  has the energy

$$E(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_i x_i$$

when neurons' state is  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$ .

- The simplest example of two neurons.



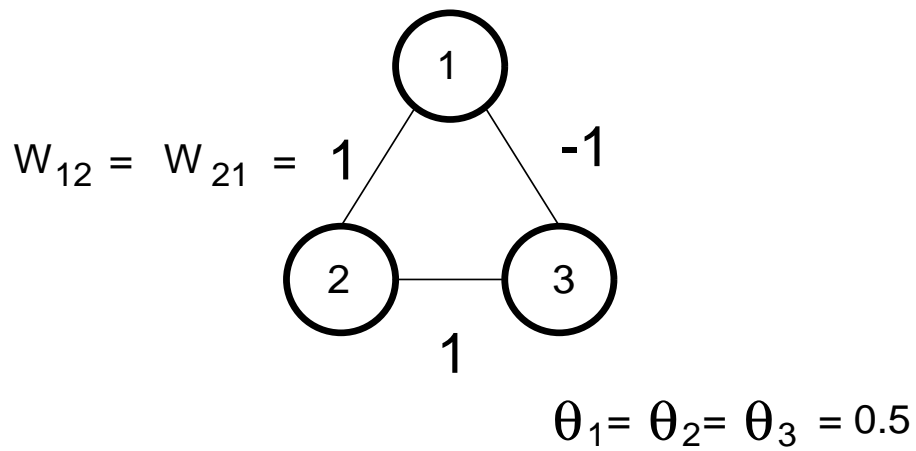
energy of the state  $(-1, 1)$  and  $(1, -1)$  is  $-1$  while  $1$  for the state  $(-1, -1)$  and  $(1, 1)$ , since

$$E(x_1, x_2) = -\frac{1}{2}(w_{12}x_1x_2 + w_{21}x_2x_1)$$

**Exercise 1** *What will happen to this network?*

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- Yet another example: wight three neurons.



**Exercise 2** Calculate energy level for all the possible state of the network above.



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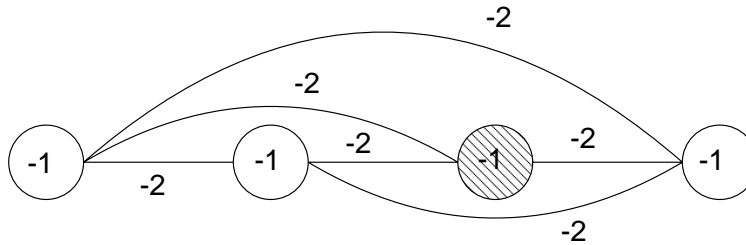
$$E(x_1, x_2, x_3) = -\frac{1}{2}(w_{12}x_1x_2 + w_{23}x_2x_3 + w_{31}x_3x_1) \\ +(\theta_1x_1 + \theta_2x_2 + \theta_3x_3)$$

| $x_1$ | $x_2$ | $x_3$ | energy |
|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| -1    | -1    | -1    | -2     |
| -1    | -1    | +1    | -1     |
| -1    | +1    | -1    | 1      |
| -1    | +1    | +1    | 0      |
| +1    | -1    | -1    | -1     |
| +1    | -1    | +1    | 2      |
| +1    | +1    | -1    | 0      |
| +1    | +1    | +1    | -1     |

| energy | state of three neurons |                    |          |
|--------|------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 2      | (1 -1 1)               |                    |          |
| 1      | (-1 1 1)               |                    |          |
| 0      | (-1 1 1)               | (1 1 -1)           |          |
| -1     | (-1 -1 1)              | (1 -1 -1)          | (1 1 -1) |
| -2     | (-1 -1 -1)             | ... Garden of Eden |          |

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- *Only-One-Bit-On Problem*



Only one  $x_i$  out of four should be one  
with other three being zero.

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$(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i - 1)^2$  should be minimized.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 x_i - 1\right)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^4 x_i x_j - 2 \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i + 1 \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^4 x_i x_j - \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i + 1 \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^4 (-2) x_i x_j + \sum_{i=1}^4 (-1) x_i + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

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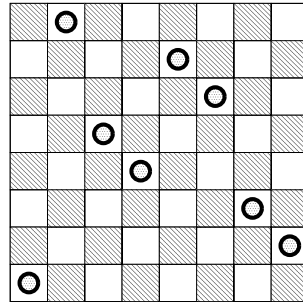
$$\forall w_{ij} = -2 \ \& \ \forall \theta_i = -1$$

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- *Eight-Rook Problem*

- ★ An extension of *Only-One-Bit-On Problem*

- Only one “1” in each row and also only one “1” in each column.



the number of ones in column  $j$  is  $\sum_{i=1}^8 x_{ij}$



As only single one in each column is allowed  
 $e1 = \sum_{j=1}^8 (\sum_{i=1}^8 x_{ij} - 1)^2$  should be minimized.



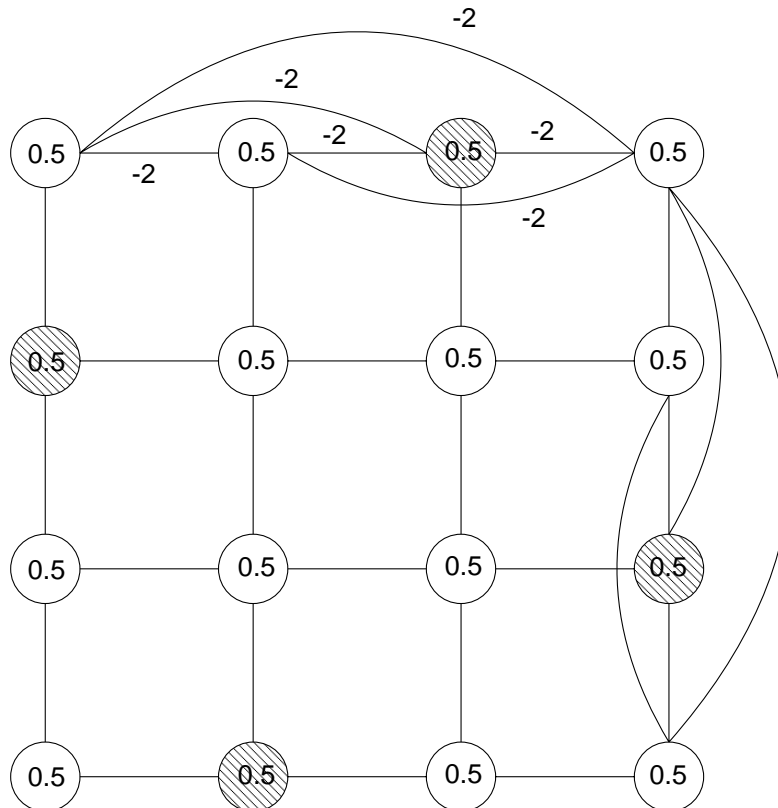
Also as only single one in each row is allowed  
 $e2 = \sum_{i=1}^8 (\sum_{j=1}^8 x_{ij} - 1)^2$  should be minimized too.



Hence we define energy as  $E(\mathbf{x}) = e1 + e2$

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- As can be easily guess, the network bellow solves the problem.



**Exercise 3** *Implement the Hopfield Network above with  $N = 8$  on your PC, and observe the trajectory and final state starting with some initial state.*

**The 4th day:**

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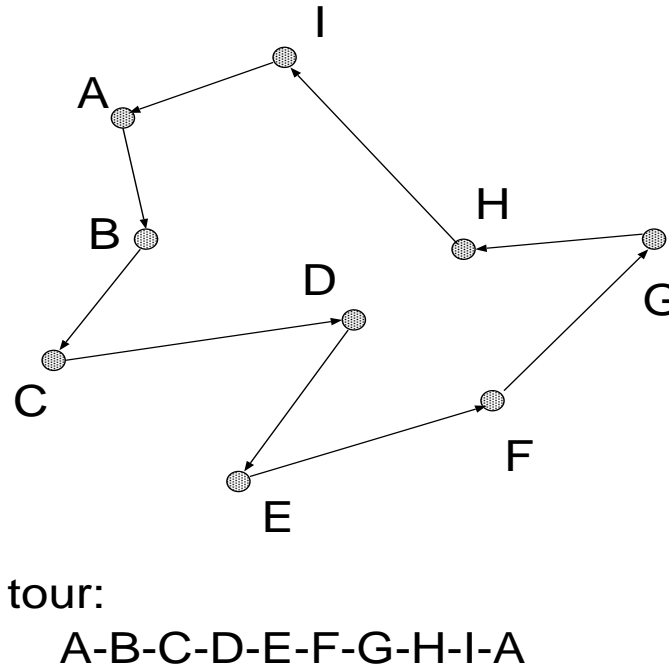
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*traveling salesperson problem, Boltzman machine*

## □ Traveling Salesperson Problem (TSP)

A salesman should visit every city once but only once such that his traveling route is the shortest<sup>4</sup>.

An example:



**Exercise 4** *Distribute  $N$  cities as points on your PC screen by defining all  $N(N - 1)/2$  distances between two cities.*

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<sup>4</sup> With  $N$  cities, the number of all the possible route is

$$(N - 1)! = \sqrt{2\pi N} \exp(N \ln N - N) \quad (5)$$

i.e., *not deterministic in polynomial time.*

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- Representation of a rout by a  $N \times N$  matrix

★ The rout 1-3-6-4-5-2 of 6-city TSP is represented as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

where “ $i\alpha$ -element is one” means that the  $i$ -th city is in the  $\alpha$ -th location in the tour.

- When we denote distance between city  $i$  and  $j$  as  $d_{ij}$  then what should be mimimized will be

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} x_{i\alpha} x_{j(\alpha+1)}$$

which implies iff both  $x_{i\alpha}$  and  $x_{j(\alpha+1)}$  are 1,  $d_{ij}$  is summed

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- So by defining energy as

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(\mathbf{x}) &= e1 + e2 + L \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^8 \left( \sum_{i=1}^8 x_{ij} - 1 \right)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^8 \left( \sum_{j=1}^8 x_{ij} - 1 \right)^2 \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N d_{ij} x_{j\alpha} x_{j(\alpha+1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

and modifying this equation in the form of

$$E(\mathbf{x}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_i x_i$$

we obtain weight  $w_{ij}$  and threshold  $\theta_i$  of the network

- Starting with a random configuration of the network state, it is expected to converge to the matrix corresponding to the shortest route.



## □ Boltzman Machine

- A Hopfield network composed of  $N$  units in which
  - ★ the state of neuron  $i$  is updated asynchronously according to  $x_i = 1$  with probability  $p_i$

$$p_i = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-(\sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}x_j - \theta_i)/T)}$$

and  $x_i = 0$  with probability  $1 - p_i$ , instead of *sgn* or *sigmoidal* transfer function.

- ★ To escape from an *local minimum*, increase *temperature*  $T$ .
- ★ An energy function defined on one-dimensional space (schematic).

