

# A New Algorithm for Designing $\Theta$ -Fuzzy Associative Memories Based on Subsethood Measures

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# Topic of this Presentation

- $\Theta$ -Fuzzy Associative Memories ( $\Theta$ -FAMs) associate elements of an arbitrary **bounded lattice**  $\mathbb{L}$  with fuzzy sets.
- A  $\Theta$ -FAM is determined by functions  $\Theta^\xi : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and its weights.
- The **new approach towards  $\Theta$ -FAMs** presented here consists of
  - 1 **generating a fundamental memory set** (set of associations)  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{L}$  from a given training set  $\mathcal{T}$ ,
  - 2 using  $\mathcal{M}$  to **design**  $\Theta^\xi : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ , where  $\xi = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{M}|$ , in terms of a subthood measure.
- The resulting  $\Theta$ -FAM differs from previous  $\Theta$ -FAMs since
  - generally,  $\mathcal{M} \not\subseteq \mathcal{T}$ ;
  - it **combines Subthood- and Dual Subthood-FAMs**.

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# Partially Ordered Sets

## Poset and Dual Poset:

- A pair  $(P, \leq)$  consisting of a set  $P \neq \emptyset$  and a reflexive, antisymmetric, and transitive relation " $\leq$ " is called a **partially ordered set** or **poset**.
- The symbols  $\bigwedge X$  and  $\bigvee X$  denote respectively the infimum and the supremum of  $X \subseteq P$  if they exist in  $P$ .
- The **dual partial order** relation is the relation  $\geq$  defined by  $x \geq y \Leftrightarrow y \leq x \forall x, y \in P$ .
- $y, z \in X \subseteq P$  are resp. said to be a **minimal element** and a **maximal element** of  $X$  if,  $\forall x \in X$ , we have that  $x \leq y$  implies that  $x = y$  and  $z \leq x$  implies that  $x = z$ , resp..
- $x \in X \subseteq P$  is a maximal element of  $X$  in the poset  $(P, \leq)$  if and only if  $x$  is a minimal element of  $X$  in the **dual poset**  $(P, \geq)$ .

# Bounded and Complete Lattices

## Lattices:

- A **lattice** is a **poset**  $\mathbb{L} \neq \emptyset$  such that every set  $\{x, y\} \subseteq \mathbb{L}$  has an **infimum**, denoted  $x \wedge y$  and a **supremum**, denoted  $x \vee y$  in  $\mathbb{L}$ .
  - $\mathbb{L}$  is called **totally ordered** or a **chain** if  $x \leq y$  or  $y \leq x \forall x, y \in \mathbb{L}$ .
  - $\mathbb{L}$  is **bounded** if  $0_{\mathbb{L}} := \bigwedge \mathbb{L}$  and  $1_{\mathbb{L}} := \bigvee \mathbb{L}$  exist in  $\mathbb{L}$ .
  - $\mathbb{L}$  is **complete** if  $\bigwedge X$  and  $\bigvee X$  exist in  $\mathbb{L}$  for **every**  $X \subseteq \mathbb{L}$ .
- If  $\mathbb{L}$  is a lattice, then  $\mathbb{L}^n$  is a lattice with the partial order

$$(a_1, \dots, a_n) \leq (b_1, \dots, b_n) \Leftrightarrow a_i \leq b_i, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

and  $\mathbb{L}^U = \{f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{L}\}$  is a lattice with

$$f \leq g \Leftrightarrow f(u) \leq g(u) \forall u \in U.$$

If  $\mathbb{L}$  is bounded or complete, then  $\mathbb{L}^n$  and  $\mathbb{L}^U$  are also bounded or complete, resp..

# Isomorphisms

## Definition:

Let  $\mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbb{M}$  be (bounded or complete) lattices.

- A **lattice isomorphism** is a bijection  $\phi : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{M}$  that satisfies

$$x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \phi(x) \leq \phi(y) \forall x, y \in \mathbb{L}.$$

- $\mathbb{L}$  and  $\mathbb{M}$  are said to be **isomorphic** if there is an isomorphism  $\phi : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{M}$ . In this case, one writes  $\mathbb{L} \simeq \mathbb{M}$ .

## Examples:

- If  $|U| = n$ , then  $\mathbb{L}^U \simeq \mathbb{L}^n$ . In particular, the complete lattice  $[0, 1]^n$  is isomorphic to the complete lattice  $[0, 1]^U$ .
- $(\mathcal{F}(U), \subseteq)$ , where  $\mathcal{F}(U)$  denotes the class of fuzzy sets on  $U$ , is a complete lattice that is isomorphic to  $([0, 1]^U, \leq)$ . If  $|U| = n$ , then  $\mathcal{F}(U) \simeq [0, 1]^n$ .

# Subsethood Measures on Bounded Lattices

## Definition:

Let  $\mathbb{L}$  be a bounded lattice. A function  $S : \mathbb{L} \times \mathbb{L} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  that has the following properties for all  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{L}$  is called a **subsethood measure on  $\mathbb{L}$** .

- 1 If  $\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{y}$ , then  $S(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 1$ ;
- 2  $S(1_{\mathbb{L}}, 0_{\mathbb{L}}) = 0$ ;
- 3 If  $\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{y} \leq \mathbf{z}$  then  $S(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}) \leq S(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$  and  $S(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{x}) \leq S(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})$ .

If  $\mathbb{L} = \mathcal{F}(U)$  for some  $U \neq \emptyset$ , then we speak of a **fuzzy subsethood measure**.

## An Example of a Fuzzy Subsethood Measure

If  $I$  is a fuzzy implication such that  $I(a, b) = 1 \forall a \leq b \in [0, 1]$  and  $v : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is an **increasing** function such that  $v(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $v(U) = 1$ , then a fuzzy subsethood measure is given by

$$S^U(A, B) = I(v(A \cup B), v(B)).$$

If  $U = \{u^1, \dots, u^k\}$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in (0, +\infty)$  and

$$v_p(A) = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1 - \cos(\pi \cdot [\mu_A(u^i)]^p)}{2k}, \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}(U),$$

then  $v_p : \mathcal{F}(U) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is increasing,  $v_p(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $v_p(U) = 1$ .



## $\Theta$ -FAMs on Bounded Lattices

Let  $\mathbb{L}$  be a bounded lattice. The purpose of a  $\Theta$ -FAM is to store a set of associations, also called **fundamental memory set**, of the form  $\mathcal{M} = \{(\mathbf{x}^\xi, B^\xi) \in \mathbb{L} \times \mathcal{F}(Y) \mid \xi \in P\}$ , where  $P = \{1, \dots, p\}$ .

### Definition:

Given  $\Theta^\xi : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  satisfying  $\Theta^\xi(\mathbf{x}^\xi) = 1 \forall \xi \in P$ , a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $F : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow [0, 1]^p$  and a  $t$ -norm, the following mapping  $\Theta : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(Y)$  yields a  **$\Theta$ -fuzzy associative memory ( $\Theta$ -FAM)**:

$$\Theta(\mathbf{x}) = R \circ_t F(v_1 \Theta^1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, v_p \Theta^p(\mathbf{x})). \quad (1)$$

Here,  $R \in \mathcal{F}(Y \times P)$  is given by  $R(y, \xi) = B^\xi(y) \forall y \in Y, \xi \in P$ .

# Outputs and Topology of a $\Theta$ -FAM

From now on, let  $F : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^p \subset [0, 1]^p$  be such that

$$F((a_1, \dots, a_p)^T)_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^p a_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, p.$$

For each  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{L}$ , the  $\Theta$ -FAM produces the following output:

$$\Theta(\mathbf{x}) = \bigcup_{j \in I_v(\mathbf{x})} B^j, \quad (2)$$

where

$$I_v(\mathbf{x}) = \left\{ j \in P : v_j \Theta^j(\mathbf{x}) = \bigvee_{\xi=1, \dots, p} v_\xi \Theta^\xi(\mathbf{x}) \right\}.$$

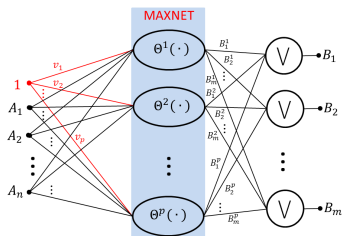
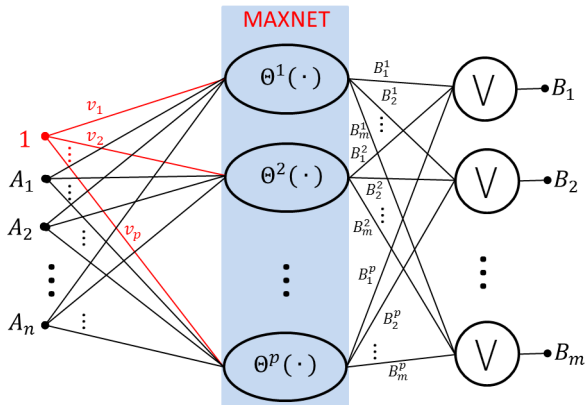


Figure: Topology of a  $\Theta$ -FAM.

# Topology of a $\Theta$ -FAM

The following displays the topology of a  $\Theta$ -FAM for inputs  $\mathbf{x}$  in a product of  $n$  bounded lattices and  $Y = \{y_1, \dots, y_m\}$



# The Fundamental Memory Set of a $\Theta$ -FAM

- Previously, the **fundamental memory set**  $\mathcal{M}$  was obtained by
  - setting  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{T}$ ;
  - extracting a **subset**  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{T}$ ;
  - using a certain algorithm to generate a set  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{L}}$ , where  $\mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{L}}$  is the **class of closed subintervals of  $\mathbb{L}$** .
- In classification problems, we associate a pattern key  $\mathbf{x}^{\xi} \in \mathbb{L}$  whose class label is  $l^{\xi}$  with the following fuzzy set  $B^{\xi} \in \mathcal{F}(Y)$ :

$$\mu_{B^{\xi}}(i) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = l^{\xi} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

## General Design Scheme

Let  $\mathbb{L}$  be a product of bounded lattices,  $\mathcal{C} = \{l_1, \dots, l_m\}$  (class labels).

Steps for constructing  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\Theta^\xi$ :

Given an arbitrary subethood measure  $S : \mathbb{L}^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and a training set  $\mathcal{T} = \{(\mathbf{x}^\xi, l^\xi) \in \mathbb{L} \times \mathcal{C} \mid \xi = 1, \dots, s\}$ , perform the following steps:

- 1 Apply the construction algorithm in  $(\mathbb{L}, \leq)$  in order to obtain

$$\check{\mathcal{M}} = \{(\check{\mathbf{x}}^\xi, l^\xi) \in [0, 1]^{\mathbb{L}} \times \mathcal{C} \mid \xi = 1, \dots, \check{p}\},$$

and define  $\Theta^\xi(\cdot) = S(\cdot, \check{\mathbf{x}}^\xi)$  for  $\xi = 1, \dots, \check{p}$ .

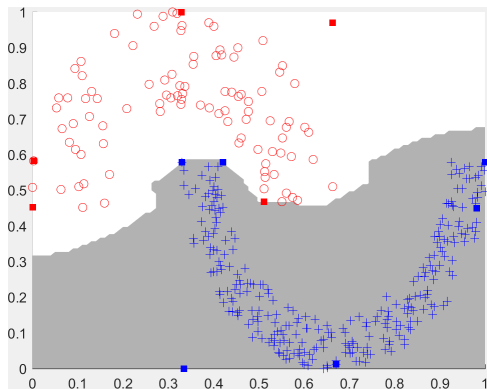
- 2 Apply the construction algorithm in  $(\mathbb{L}, \geq)$  in order to obtain

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}} = \{(\hat{\mathbf{x}}^\xi, l^\xi) \in [0, 1]^{\mathbb{L}} \times \mathcal{C} \mid \xi = 1, \dots, \hat{p}\},$$

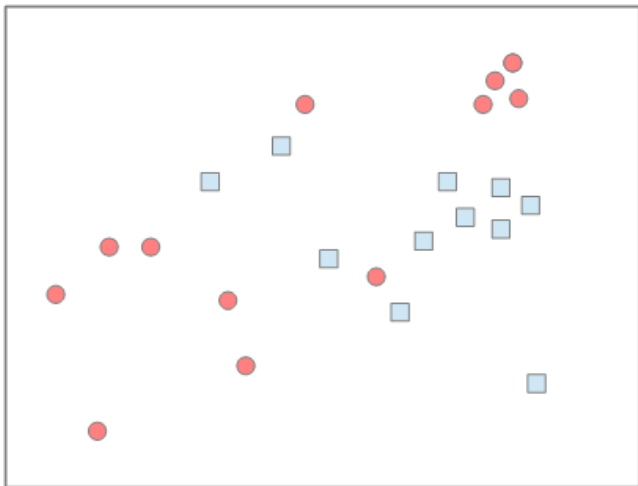
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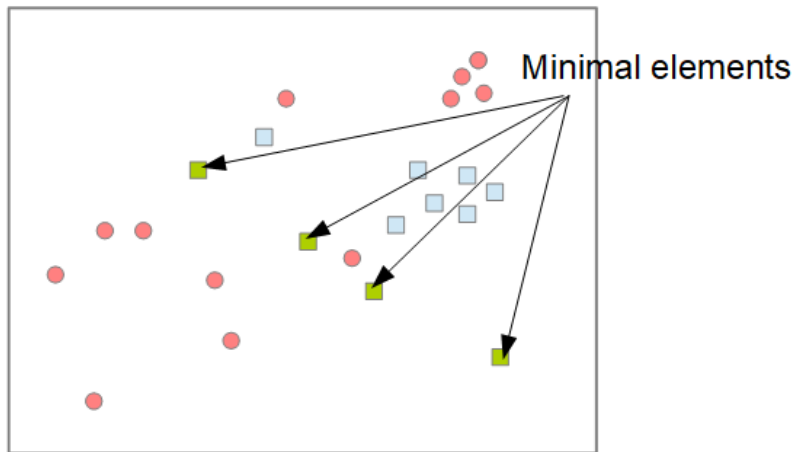
- 3 Set  $\mathcal{M} = \check{\mathcal{M}} \cup \hat{\mathcal{M}}$  and  $\Theta^{\xi+\check{p}} = \hat{\Theta}^\xi$  for  $\xi = 1, \dots, \hat{p}$ .

# Example of a Decision Surface Produced by this $\Theta$ -FAM

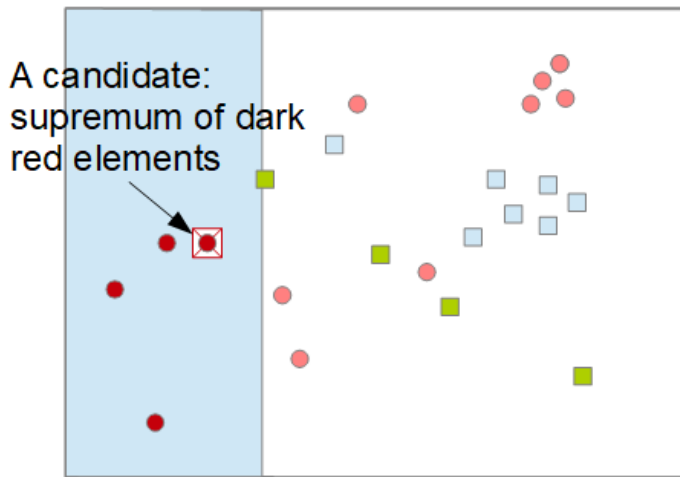


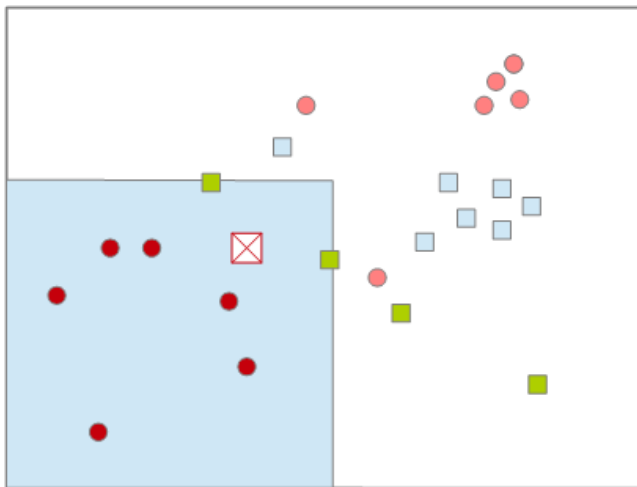
**Figure:** Decision surface produced by the  $\Theta$ -FAM in an application to the Jain dataset. Points in the white region are classified as “o” and points in the gray region are classified as “+”. The **solid red and blue squares** correspond resp. to the **fundamental memories** that are generated for the “o” and “+” classes.

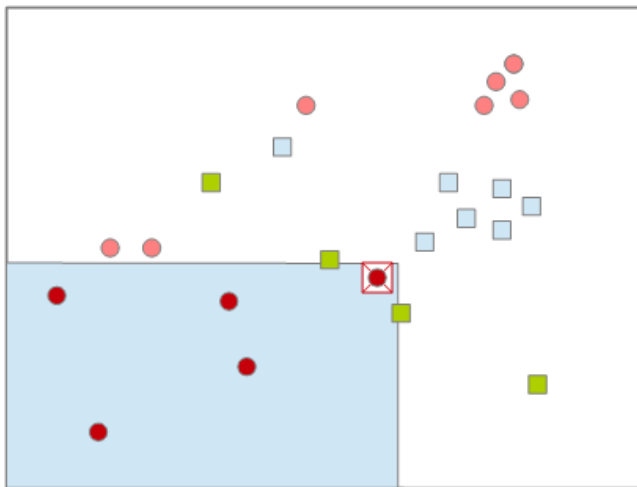
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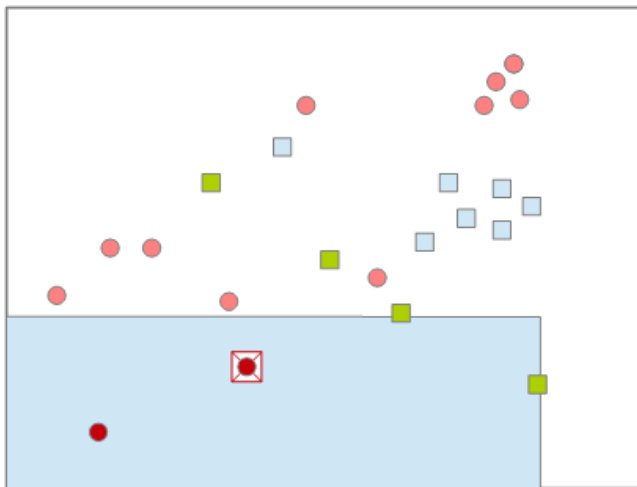
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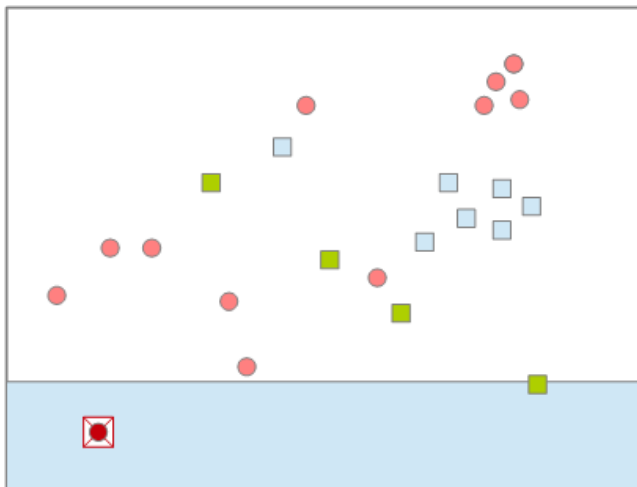


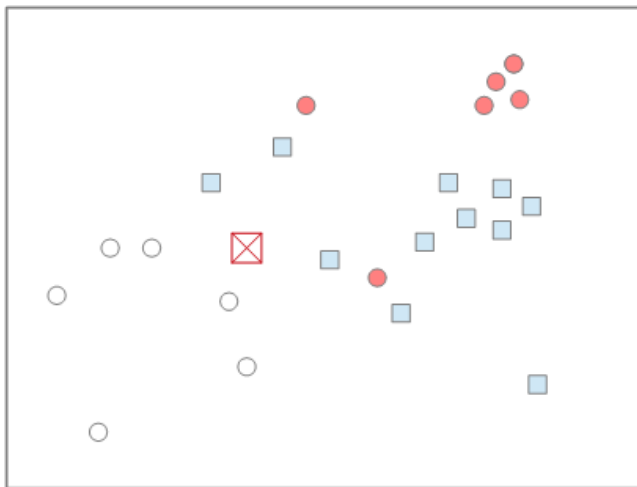
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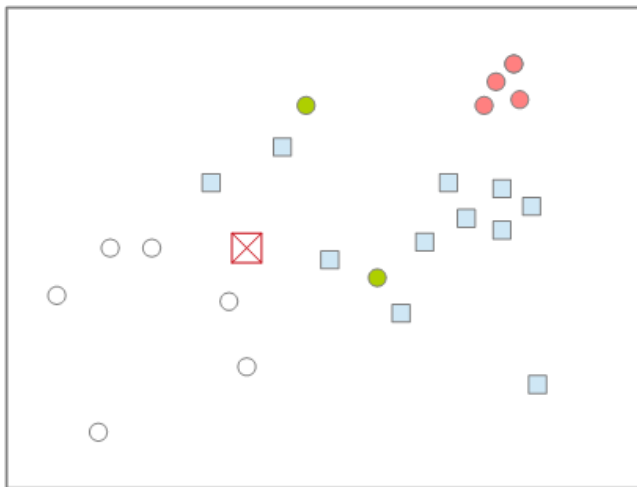
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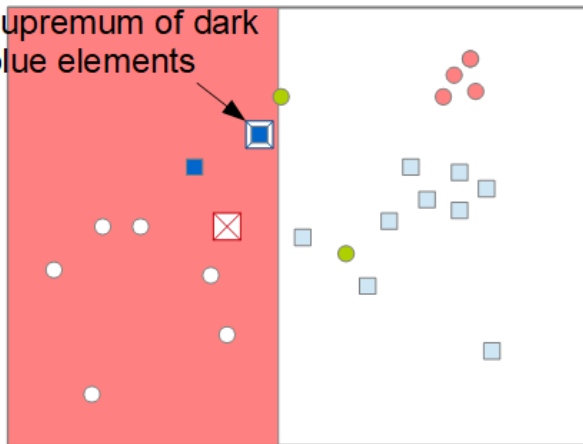
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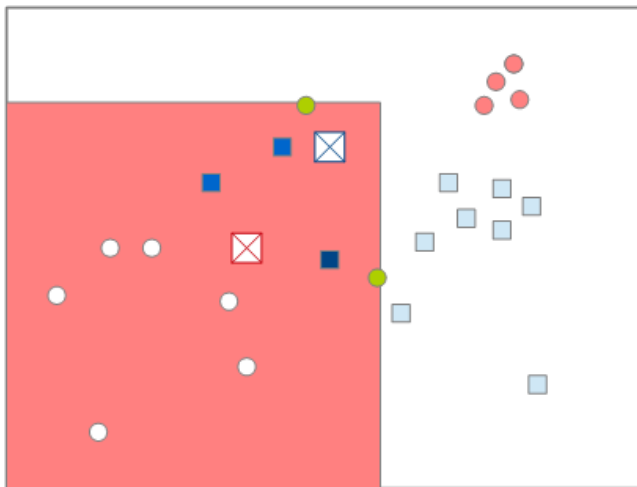
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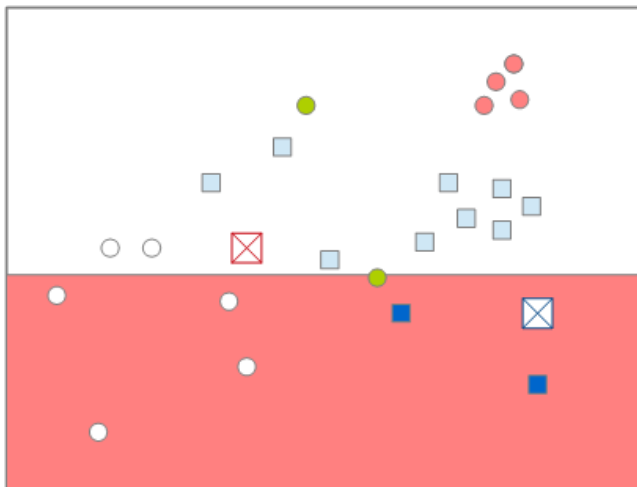
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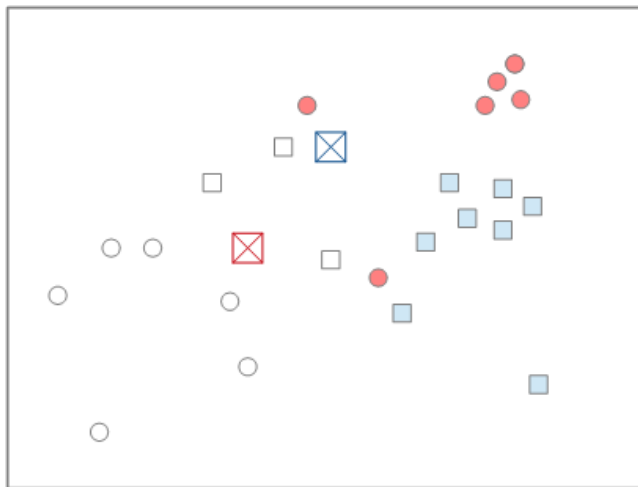
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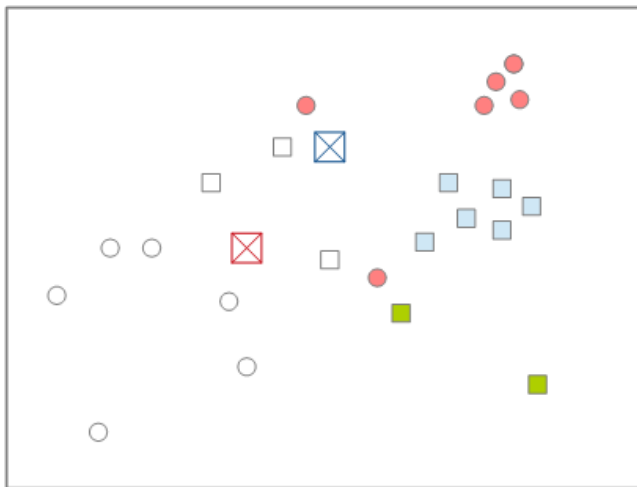


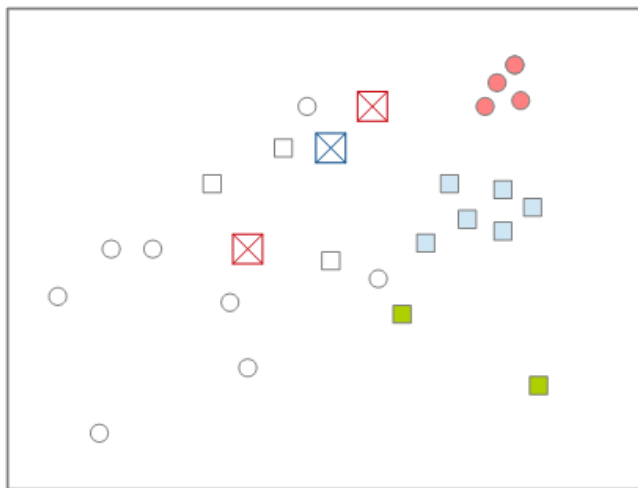


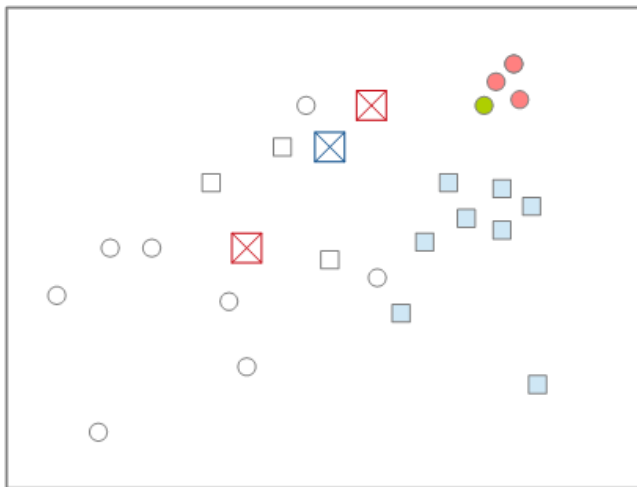
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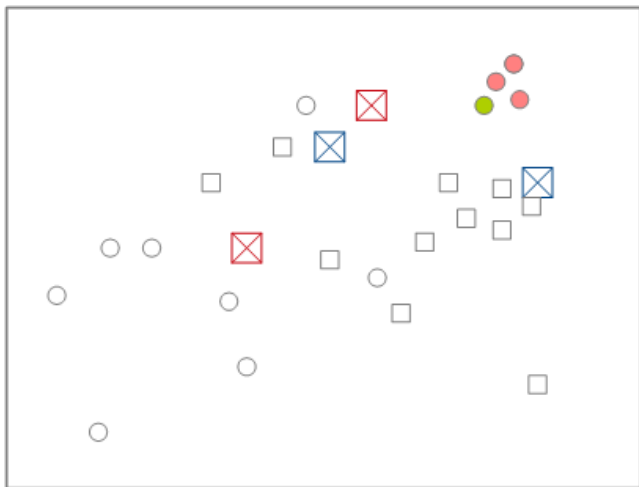
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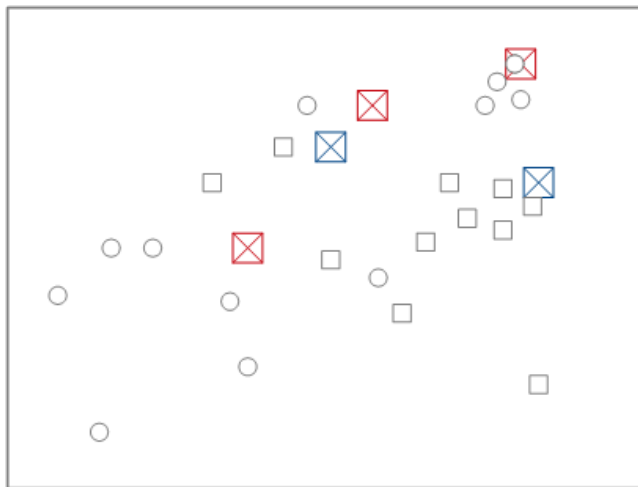
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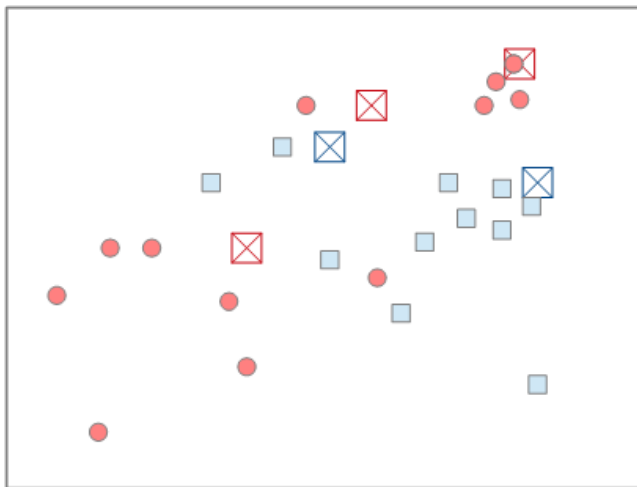
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## Experimental Setup

- We considered datasets consisting of a finite subset of  $I_1 \times \dots \times I_n \times \mathcal{C}$ , where  $I_i = [a_i, b_i] \subset \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is the set of class labels.
- We normalized the data in the range  $[0, 1]^n (\simeq \mathcal{F}(X))$ , where  $X = \{1, \dots, n\}$  so as to facilitate the use of a fuzzy subsethood measure

We employed the subsethood measure

$$S^{\cup}(A, B) = I_L(v_1(A \cup B), v_1(B)) \quad (3)$$

where  $I_L$  stands for the Łukasiewicz implication and  $v_1$

$$v_1(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1 - \cos(\pi \cdot [\mu_A(i)])}{2n}, \quad \forall A \in [0, 1]^n. \quad (4)$$

# 10 Datasets From Knowledge Extraction Based on Evolutionary Learning (KEEL)-Dataset Repository

Classification Rates Achieved by FARC-HD, Original  $\Theta$ -FAM, TE-FAM,  $\mathcal{G}_{XX}$ , and the proposed  $\Theta$ -FAM.

	FARC-HD	Original $\Theta$ -FAM	TE-FAM (Reduction # of $\Theta^\xi$ )	$\mathcal{G}_{XX}$	Proposed $\Theta$ -FAM (Reduction # of $\Theta^\xi$ )
Clevel.	55.2	51.2	61.0 (21.3%)	45.8	55.9 (35.9%)
Ecoli	82.2	76.8	81.0 (34.9%)	77.1	82.2 (64.3%)
Glass	70.2	70.5	63.9 (31.9%)	71.2	66.2 (60.2%)
Heart	84.4	78.1	82.6 (31.8%)	68.9	77.8 (71.3 %)
Monks	99.8	98.6	97.7 (12.8%)	91.9	100 (97.3%)
Movem.	76.7	84.7	69.2 (35.1%)	88.1	77.2(63.1%)
Pima	75.7	67.4	76.2 (26.2%)	71.4	74.4 (74.6%)
Spect.	79.8	81.3	81.7 (21.6%)	80.5	79.1 (43.5%)
Vowel	71.8	97.1	80.0 (64.4%)	98.7	91.2 (68.7%)
Wdbc	95.3	96.1	93.7 (53.2%)	86.5	95.1 (95.2%)
Average	79.1	80.2	78.6 (33.3%)	78.0	79.9 (67.4%)

A two-sample Student's  $t$ -test indicates that the proposed model is competitive.

# Texture Recognition Problem: KTHTIPS-2b Database

- This challenging database comprises textures that are grouped according to the respective material such as wood, linen, cork, etc.
- We followed the recommendations of the literature and used one sample for training and three samples for testing.



Figure: KTHTIPS-2b exemplar images: one image for each material.

## Comparison with Approaches from the Recent Literature

We employed deep convolutional neural networks (CNN) to extract features and the proposed  $\Theta$ -FAM to classify them.

**Table:** Classification rates and standard deviations for KTHTIPS-2b dataset.

Method	Accuracy (%)
VZ-Joint	53.3
ELBP	58.1
OBIFs INNC	66.26
SIFT + IFV	69.3 $\pm$ 1.0
FV-CNN VGGVD	81.8 $\pm$ 2.5
CNN + FC	75.4 $\pm$ 1.5
CNN + LDA	73.9 $\pm$ 1.4
CNN + SVM	71.7 $\pm$ 5.9
CNN + Proposed $\Theta$ -FAM	72.9 $\pm$ 2.5

# Concluding Remarks and Future Work

- We presented a method for designing a  $\Theta$ -FAM model based on a **subthood measure** on a bounded lattice.
- This method automatically determines a set of **fundamental memories** (associations) and **hidden layer functions**  $\Theta^\xi$ .
- Despite a **significant reduction in the number of fundamental memories and  $\Theta^\xi$ s**, the classification performance in some benchmark classification problems was not affected.
- The combination of this approach with a deep convolutional network yielded satisfactory results in a challenging image texture classification problem.

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