Modelling of Cognitive Processes: Test 1

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You have 1 hour for this test. You can look up info online during the test.

Comment your code and make sure it runs. A code that does some of the parts of the exam but runs, is better than a code that “can potentially” do everything but does not run. Also, even if does not run properly, send us the last version of your script with comments so we can evaluate what you were trying to do.

Take the test1\_starting\_script.py script and change its name and make a new file surname\_firstname\_mcp\_test1.py

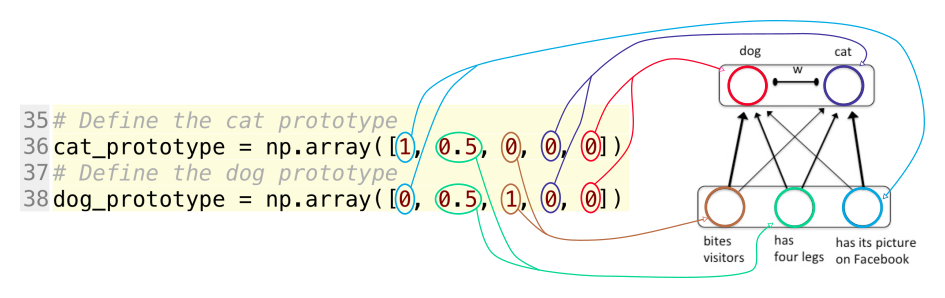
The diagram below shows what the arrays cat\_prototype, dog\_prototype and test\_inputs represent in the model.  


Figure 1. Correspondence between the model and the arrays in the script.

1. The standard deviation (sigma) of random, normally distributed noise in the test\_inputs is currently set at 0.7. Run the script (with just 5 test inputs of each category, as it is already doing). What is the proportion of test inputs for which the activation optimization finishes at a higher activation for the correct output unit than for the incorrect output unit (i.e. does a correct pet detection)? See how the array test\_inputs is built to know what is the correct detection for each sample.  
   Then increase that sigma to 2.5. What is the proportion of test inputs for which the activation optimization finishes at a higher activation for the correct output unit?  
   Explain why the performance in the two cases is different. Put your explanation in the initial comments section of the code.
2. Add 2 new input units to the network to represent these new concepts: "Is Allergenic" and "Humans’ best friend". Don't forget to change everything throughout the script that have something to do with the number of units.
3. Now apply Hebbian learning with this new input format. In the training phase, present 20 cats and 20 dogs. The cat prototype is (1, 0.5, 0, 0.8, 0.1). Hence, the prototypical cat has a value of 0.8 on the “Is Allergenic” variable and a value of 0.1 at the “Humans’ best friend” variable. The dog prototype is (0, 0.5, 1, 0.1, 0.8). Present them in a random order during training.
4. After the learning phase comes a test phase. Present these new cat and dog prototypes (with some noise as before) to the network (5 of each like before). Use a sigma of 2.5. What is the proportion of test inputs for which the activation optimization finishes at a higher activation for the correct output unit (i.e. does a correct pet detection)?
5. Is the result different than with only 3 input units (question 1)? If it is different explain why in the comments code at the top of your script.