

Property Demonstration on the Greedy Algorithm regarding Center Selection Problem with Various Examples

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Task 5-1

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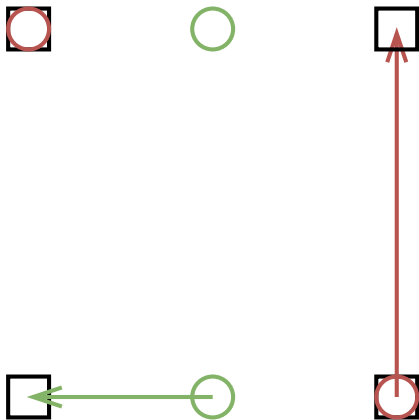
2 sites and 1 center to select.

$$\frac{r}{r^*} = 2$$



4 sites and 2 center to select.

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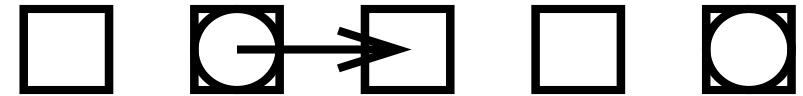


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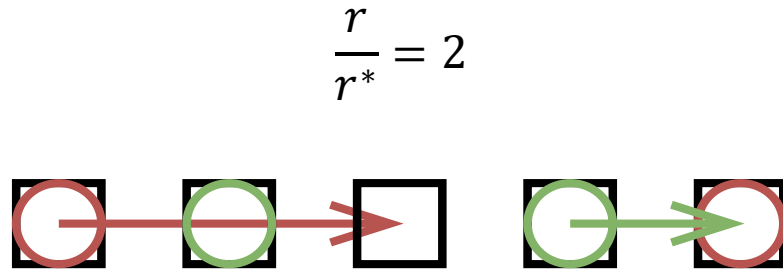
5 sites and 2 center to select.



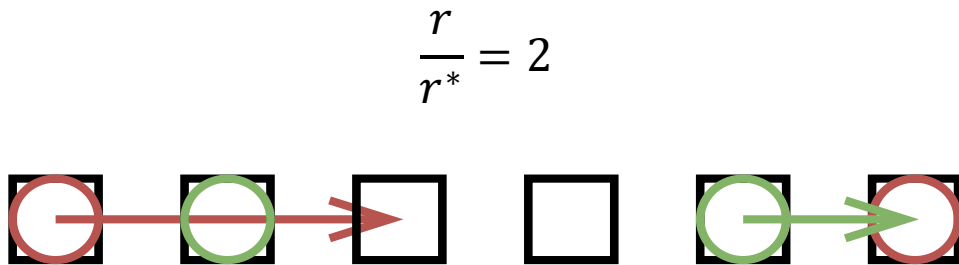
Task 5-2

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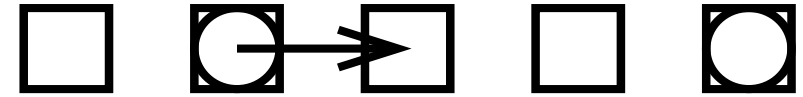


4 sites and 1 center to select.

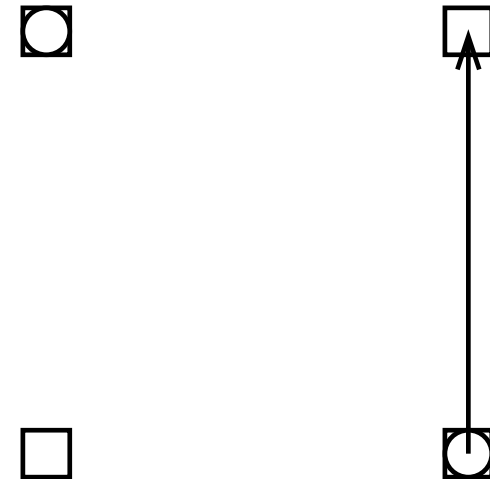


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Task 5-3

We could choose initial center from the centers obtained by K-Means algorithm since its optimization goal is

$$\min_C \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} w_s \cdot \|s, C\|_N$$

, which would be similar to optimization goal of CSP when $dist(\cdot) = \|\cdot\|_N$

$$\min_C \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}} dist(s, C)$$

Once we could predict the site that would have the greatest distance from centers and let

$$w_s \rightarrow \mathbf{1} \left\{ s = \arg \max_{s \in \mathcal{S}} dist(s, C) \right\}$$

, then these two problems would be much more closer.