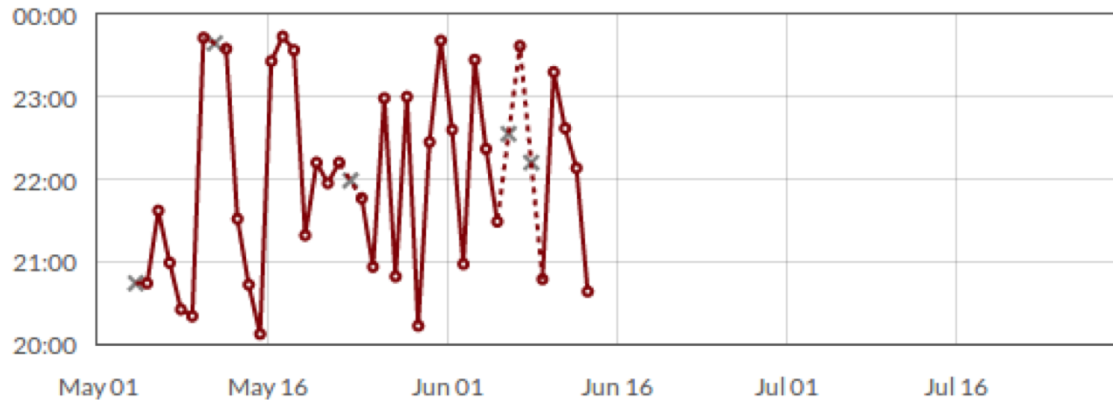


Coding Exercise.

Every day our participants send us a string in the format “hh:mm” which represents the time they went to bed the previous night. Using this data we plot an individual graph for each participant, so their clinician can see it. We mark a grey cross when the participant forgets to send us a response.

Bed time



Question 1: Using CoffeeScript¹ create a function which takes an array of strings in the format mentioned above, and returns their circular mean²

Question 2: Demonstrate how you would show your function to be correct.

Question 3: Why is the circular mean useful in this context, why is it more useful than the arithmetic mean?

Question 4: In broad terms, explain how your function would be useful within the code responsible for plotting the graph above.

¹ <http://coffeescript.org/>

² http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mean_of_circular_quantities