## An RBF to try by hand

## Homework for Friday

Suppose our model function maps  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , and suppose we have two centers:  $[1, 0, -1]^T$ ,  $[1, 1, 0]^T$ . Given the transfer function  $\phi(r) = r^3$ , and a set of weights [1, 2] and a bias (constant) of -1, use a calculator to compute the output of the RBF given the point  $[-1, 1, 2]^T$  (You may use Matlab as your calculator, but be sure you can perform the necessary operations).

## Matlab and the RBF

Here is a quick example. Matlab likes to use P, T for "patterns" and "targets"- For us, these were X and Y, respectively.

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P=linspace(-2,2,50);
T=sin(3*P)+0.2*randn(size(P));
eg=0.05; %eg is error goal
sc=1; %sc is scaling for the RBF
net=newrb(P,T,eg,sc);
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## Network Structure for the RBF

- The transfer function is the Gaussian (we'll need to discuss the actual width used).
- The matrix of centers is located in: C=net.IW{1,1} (note the curly braces).

In this example, the matrix had dimensions  $6\times 1$  (that's 6 centers with dimension 1). We

• The scaling of the Gaussian is contained in the vector  $b_1 = net.b{1}$ 

In this example, the vector is  $6 \times 1$ .

There is also a constant vector b2=net.b{2}

In this example, this vector is a scalar.

If we track the sequence of steps we perform to transform a set of vectors in the domain, x, into the function output,

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% Here is some data:
P=linspace(-2,2,50);
T=sin(3*P)+0.2*randn(size(P));
%Train the RBF
net=newrb(P,T,0.05,1);
xx=linspace(-2,2); %New data in the domain
NumPts=length(xx); %Used below in computing A1
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%Here are the relevent parameters from the network structure. Centers=net.IW{1,1}; W=net.LW{2,1}; b1=net.b{1}; %Numcenters x 1- This is the scaling factor for the Gaussian b2=net.b{2}; %Bias term (See below) %Now compute the network output "by hand": A=edm(xx',Centers); A1=A.\*repmat(b1',NumPts,1); %Multiply by the scaling factor before computing phi Phi=rbf1(A1,1,1); Yout=W\*Phi'+b2; %Get the output using Matlab's built in routine Yout2=sim(net,xx); % You should see Yout=Yout2: plot(P,T,'k\*',xx,Yout,xx,Yout2);