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A Bio-Inspired Fusion Method for Data Visualization

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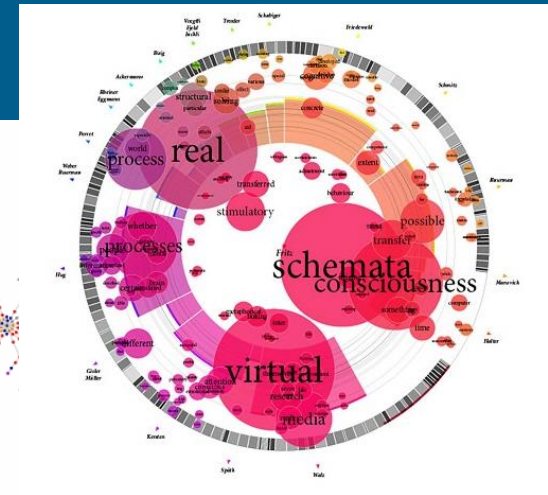
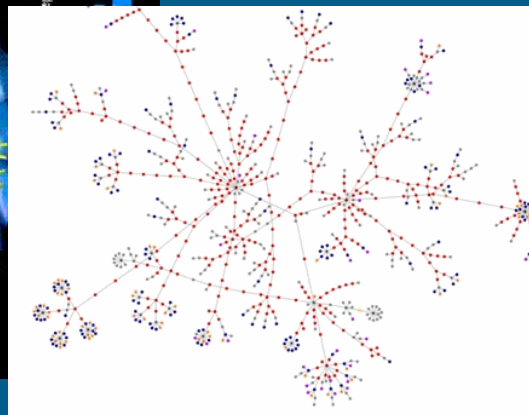
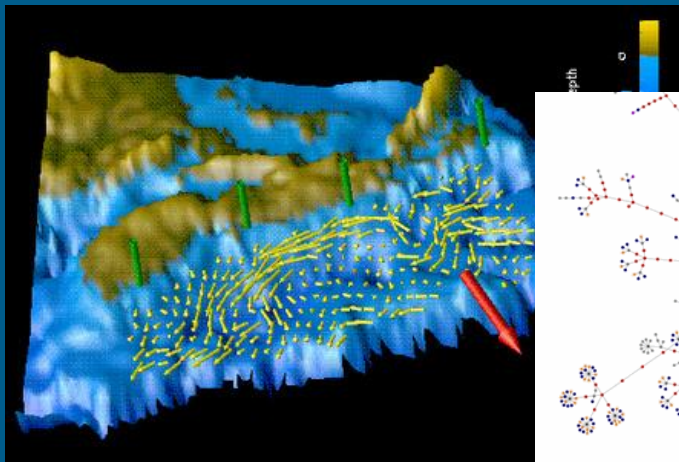
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- Objective: to obtain a clearer and more truthful representation of the structure of a multi-dimensional data set
- This is very useful in several types of AI systems such as Case Based Reasoning Systems



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Fig. 1. Different ways of performing data visualization

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- Intended to use ANN
- Preferably Non-Supervised Learning
- Problems:
 - it is very difficult to assess the quality of a single map without comparing
 - the training of a map with the same dataset and parameters can yield quite different results

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SOM (Self-Organizing Maps)

- Objective
 - low dimensional representation (2-D)
 - preserve the topological properties of the input space
- Unsupervised Learning
- Neighbouring function makes close neurons activate for close 'patterns' in the input space

$$w_{\vec{k}}(t+1) = w_{\vec{k}}(t) + \alpha(t)\eta(v, k, t)(x(t) - w_v(t))$$

[Kohonen, 84]

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SOM (Self-Organizing Maps)

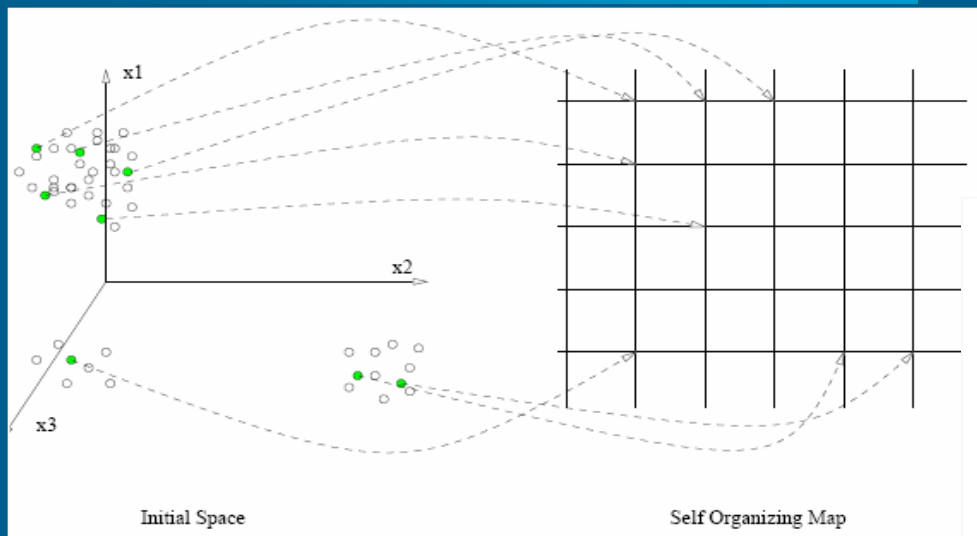
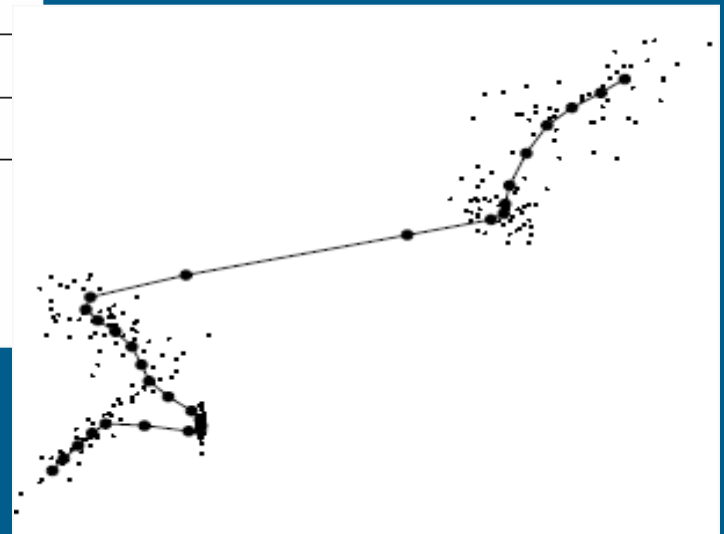


Fig. 3. 3D dataset mapped into a 2D map using a Self-Organizing Map

Fig. 4. 2D dataset mapped into a 1D map using a Self-Organizing Map



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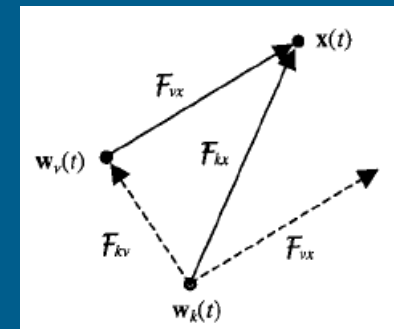
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ViSOM (Visualization Induced SOM)

- Objective
 - directly preserve the local distance information on the map, along with the topology
- Constrains the lateral contraction forces between neurons so that distances between neurons in the data space are in proportion to those in the input space

$$w_k(t+1) = w_k(t) + \alpha(t)\eta(v, k, t) \left([x(t) - w_v(t)] + [w_v(t) - w_k(t)] \left(\frac{d_{vk}}{\Delta_{vk}\lambda} - 1 \right) \right)$$



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ViSOM (Visualization Induced SOM)

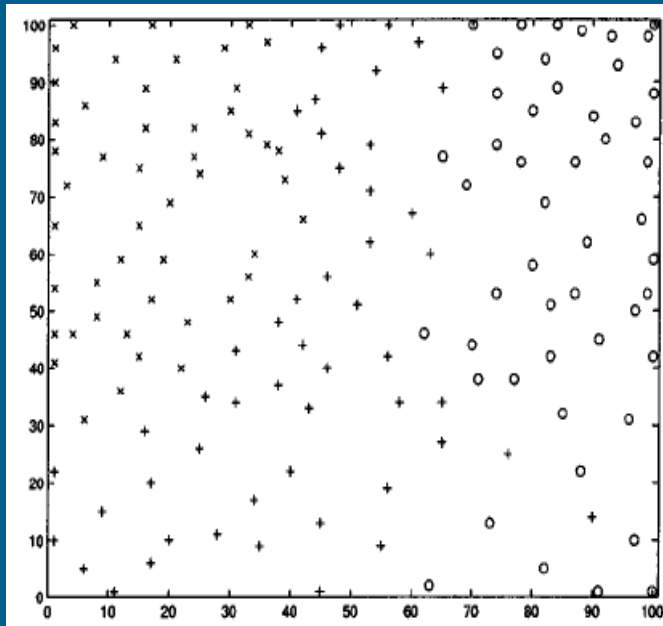


Fig 3. Iris dataset represented by a SOM

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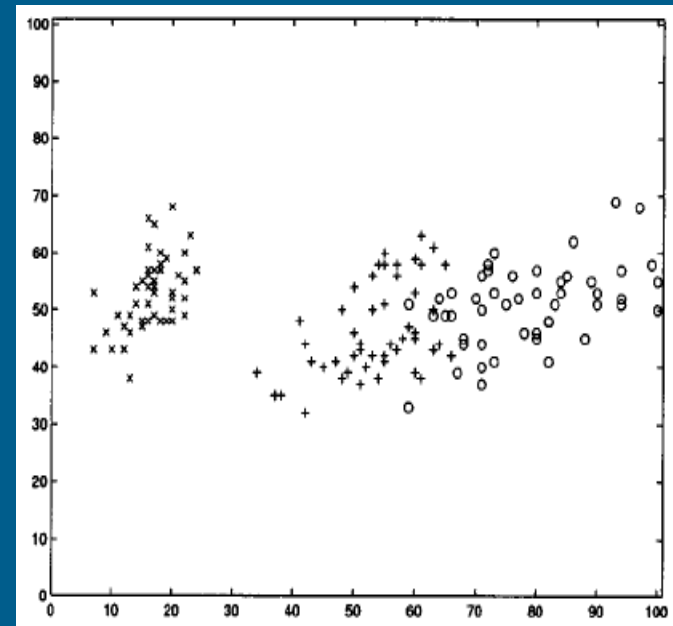


Fig 4. Iris dataset represented by a ViSOM

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Quality Measures

■ Distortion

- Measures in a more detailed way the topological order of the map

$$E_d = \sum_{x_i \in D} \sum_{w_k \in W} \eta(v_i, k) \|x_i - w_k\|^2$$

[Lampinen,92]

■ Goodness of Approximation

- measuring both the continuity of the mapping from the dataset to the map grid, and the accuracy of the map in representing the set

$$d(x_i) = \|x_i - v_i\| + \min \sum_{k=0}^{|K_{v_i}|-1} \|w_{H(k)} - w_{H(k+1)}\|$$

[Kaski & Lagus,96]

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- The sets of patterns misclassified by the different classifiers would not necessarily overlap
- Different classifier designs offer complementary information about the patterns to be classified to improve the performance of the selected classifier
- Ensemble Summarization
 - Combination of answers of different classifiers (i.e. some kind of voting) Known as aggregation. **Not suitable for representation**
 - Combination of classifiers to obtain a final one (that should outperform the individual classifiers)

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Bagging

- Originally devised to improve classification accuracy
- Not suitable for representation
- Training of networks individually using slightly different datasets
- Datasets obtained using re-sampling with replacement
- Classification results obtained by weighted voting

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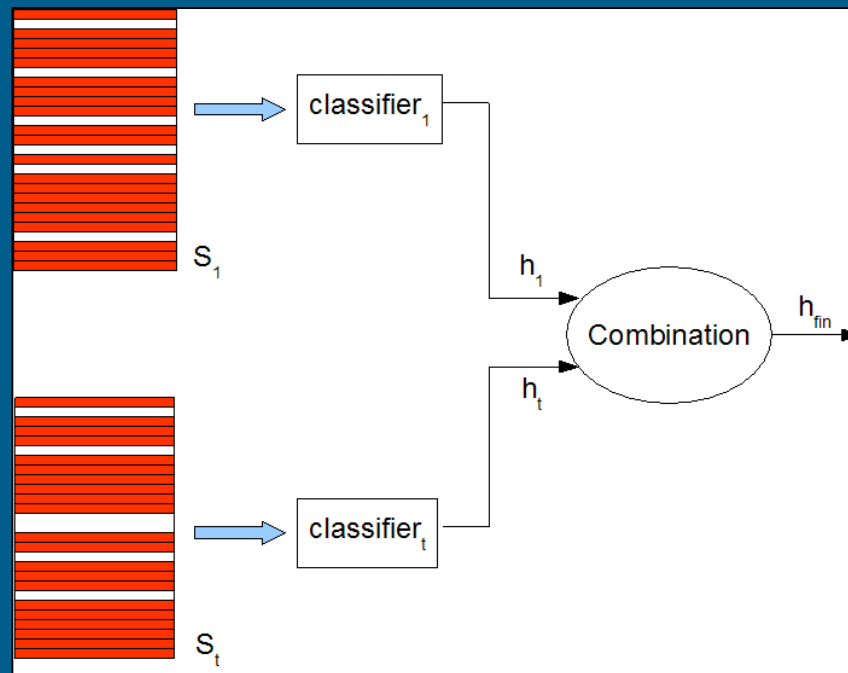


Fig 5. Scheme of the training of an ensemble using the bagging algorithm [Breiman,96]

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Fusion by Euclidean Distance

- Neurons must be aligned first.
- Based on Euclidean distance on neuron's weights and calculation of centroids.
- The set of data entries recognized for each neuron is updated as the unions of the sets corresponding to the clusters of neurons.

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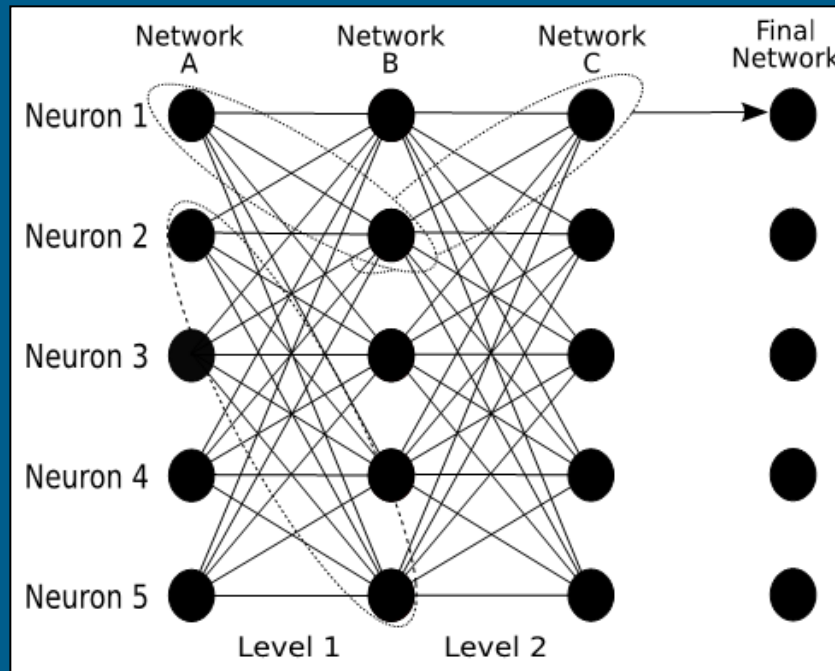


Fig 6. Alignment of three networks and their merging into one final map [Georgakis, 96]

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Weighted Voting Superposition

- Objective:
 - to obtain a final map keeping the most important features of the maps composing the ensemble
- based on the calculation of the “quality of adaptation” of homologous units of different maps
- calculates the best adapted vector of characteristics in each of the units that make up the final map

$$V_{p,m} = \frac{\sum b_{p,m}}{\sum_{i=1}^M b_{p,i}} \cdot \frac{q_{p,m}}{\sum_{i=1}^M q_{p,i}}$$

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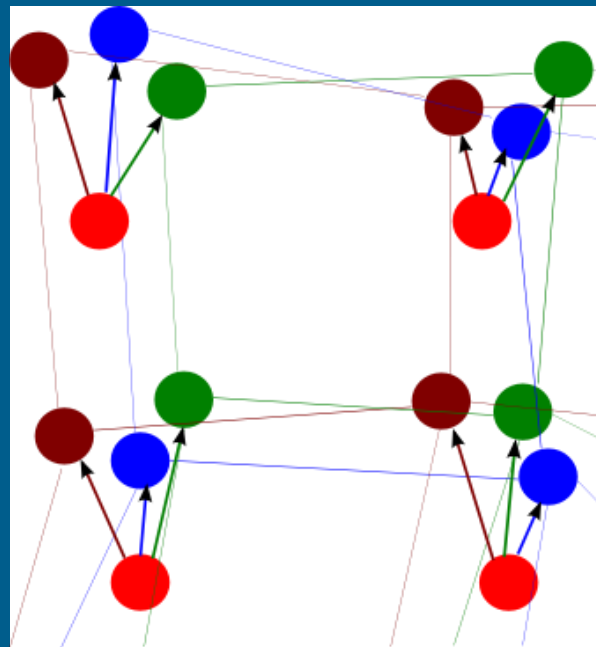


Fig. 5. Diagram showing how units of ensemble maps vote to determine the position of the final units

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■ Initial Study

- Well-known datasets obtained from the UCI Repository: Iris and Echocardiogram

■ Practical case

- Visualization of ham samples quality

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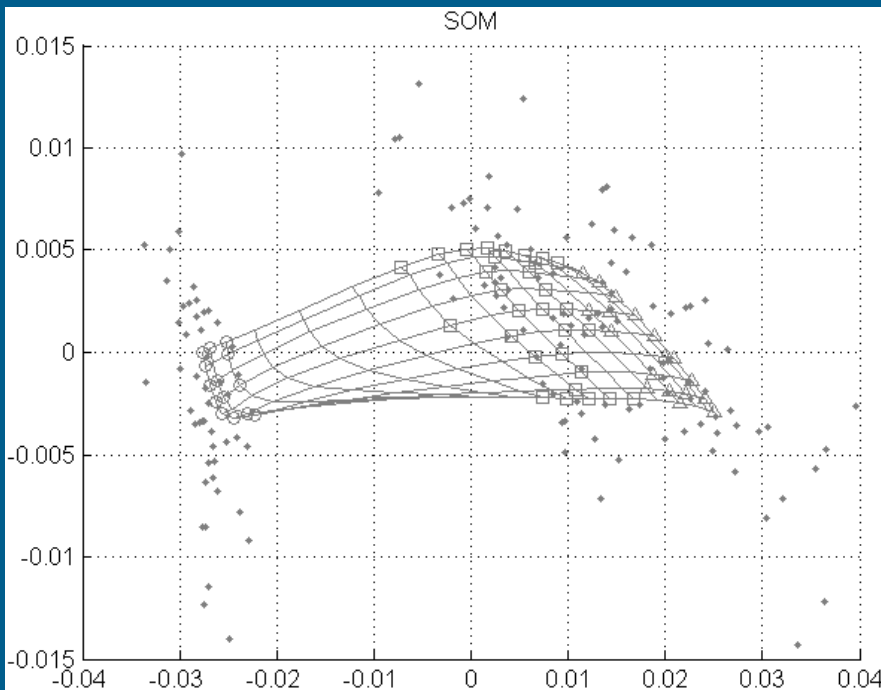


Fig. 7. SOM represented over the Iris Dataset (1st two Principal Components)

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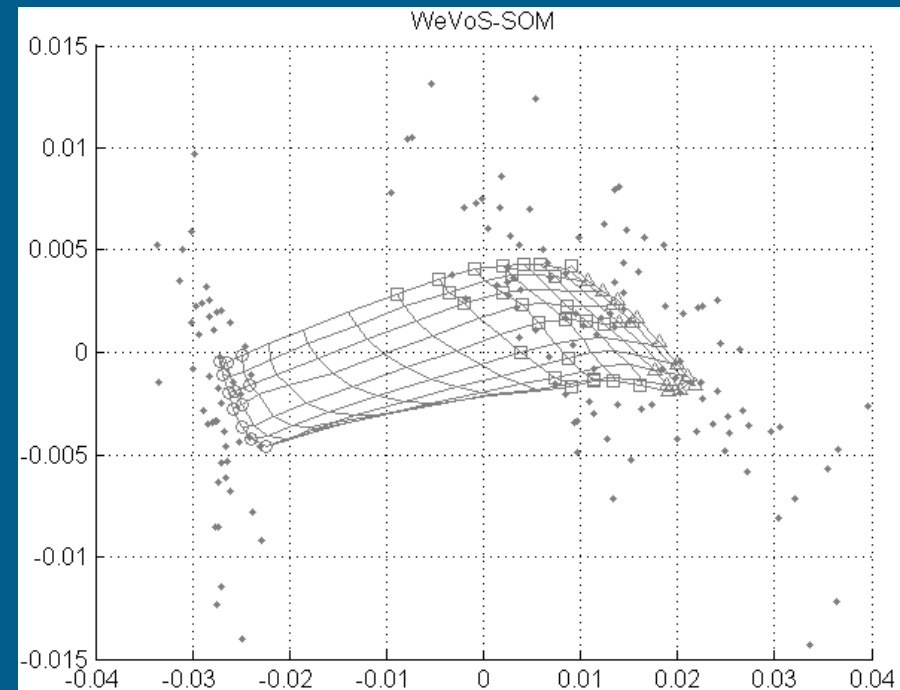


Fig. 10. WeVoS obtained from 5 SOM maps over the Iris Dataset (1st two Principal Components)

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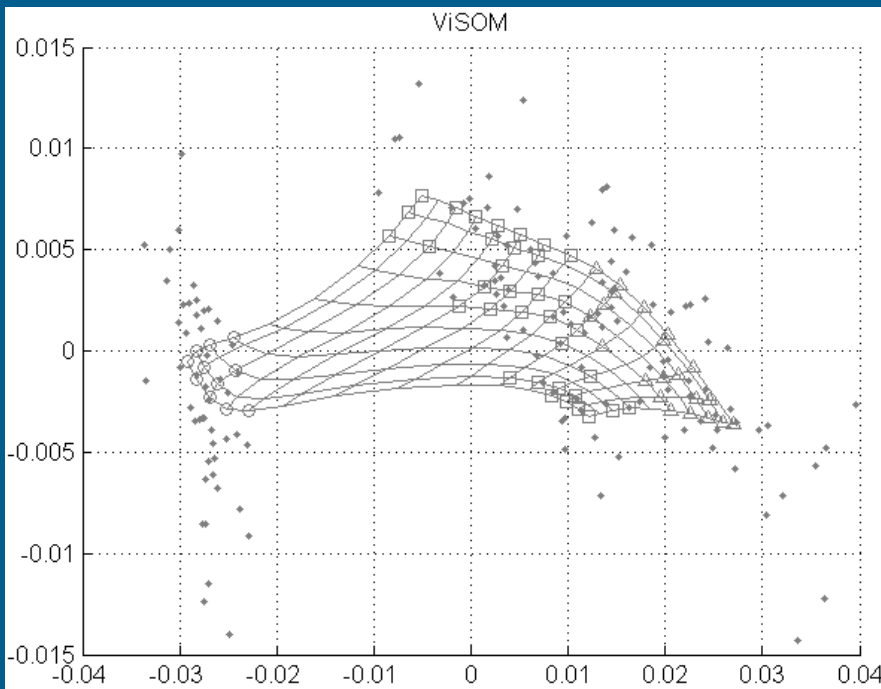


Fig. 9. ViSOM represented over the Iris Dataset (1st two Principal Components)

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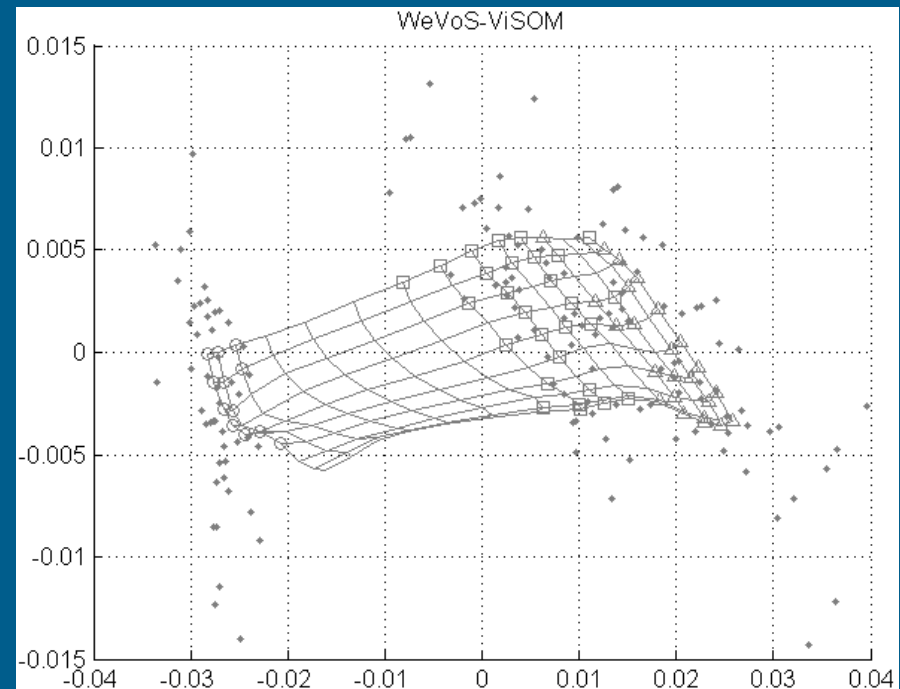


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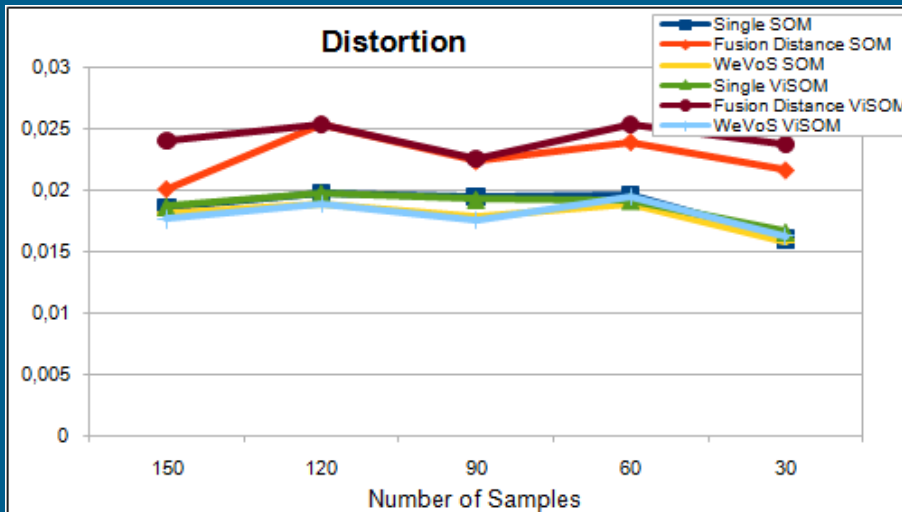


Fig. 11. Distortion for the models compared over the Iris Dataset

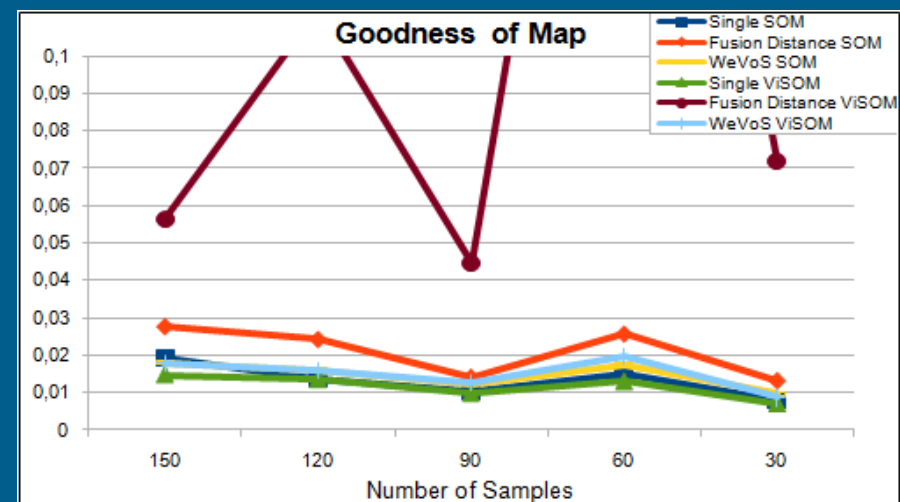


Fig. 12. Goodness of Map for the models compared over the Iris Dataset

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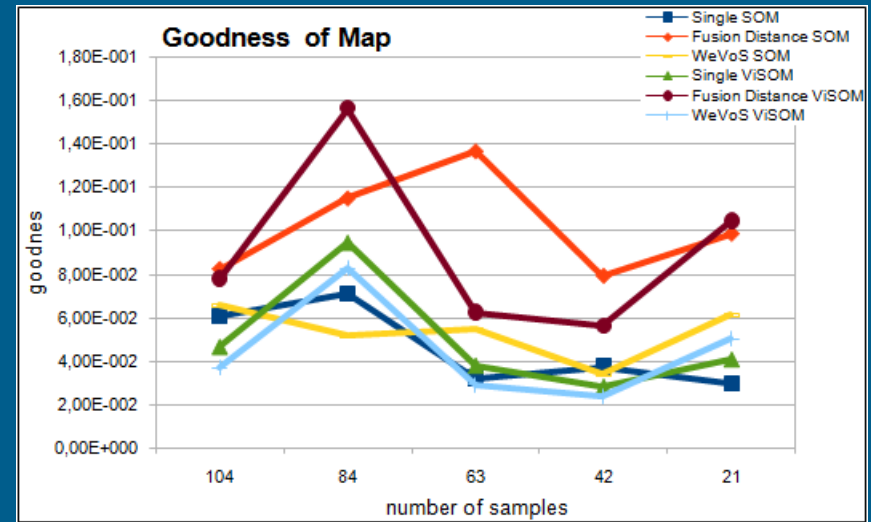
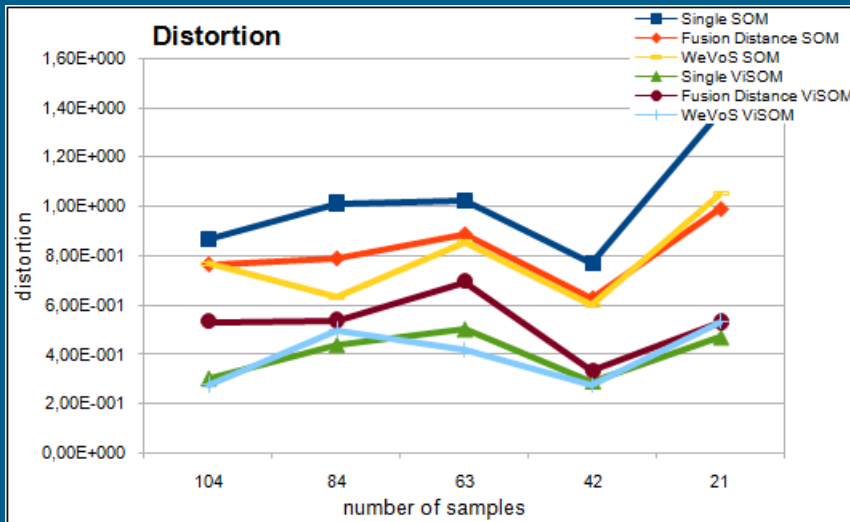


Fig. 13. Distortion for the models compared over the Echo-Cardiogram Dataset

Fig. 14. Goodness of Map for the models compared over the Echo-Cardiogram Dataset

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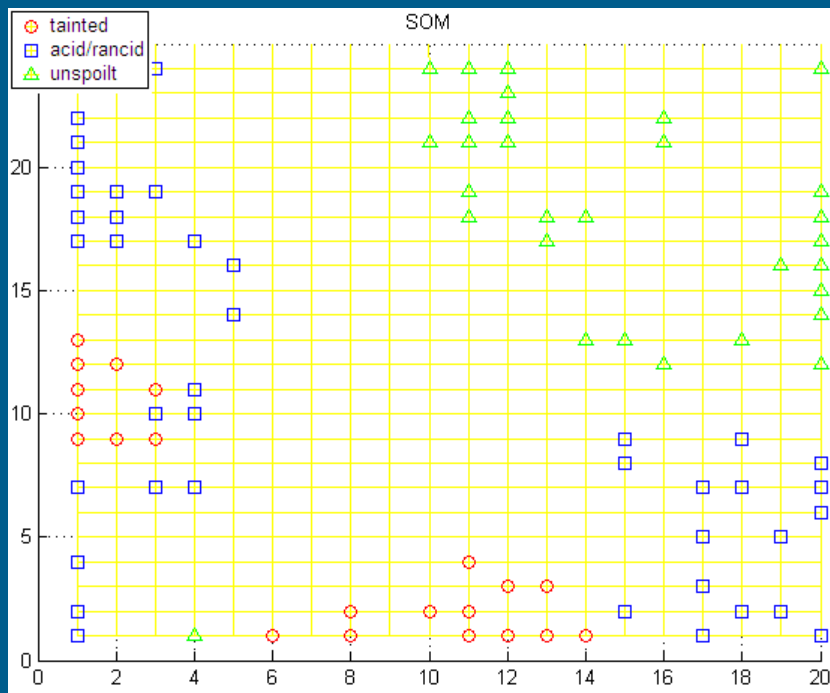


Fig. 15. Map of the Ham dataset created using a single SOM

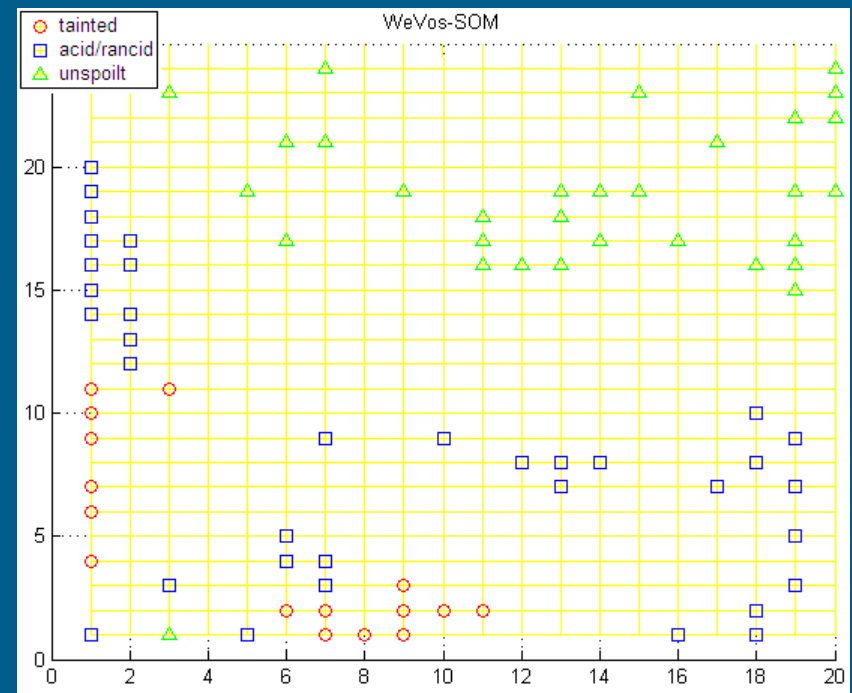


Fig. 16. Map of the Ham dataset created using an ensemble of 5 SOMs and the WeVoS summarizing algorithm

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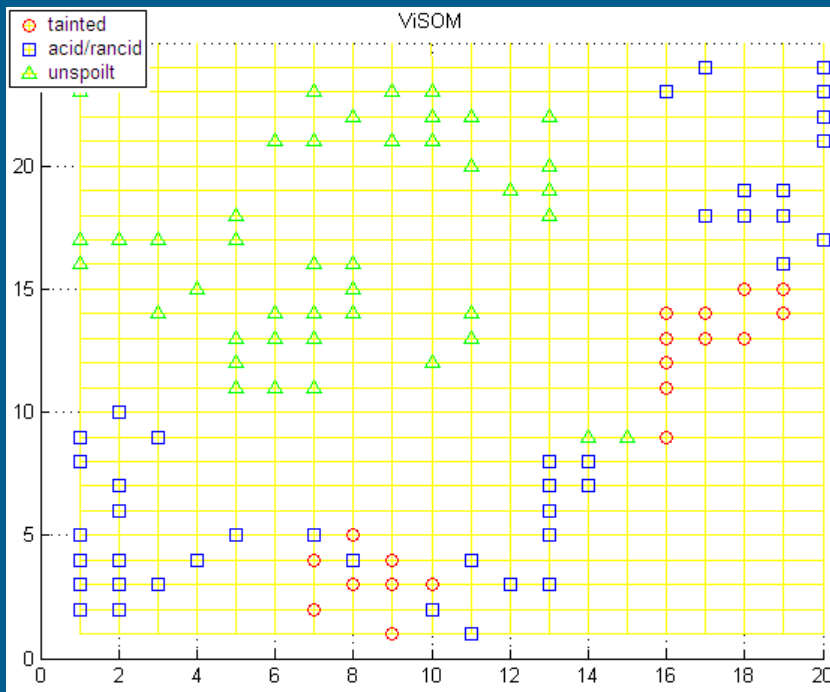


Fig. 17. Map of the Ham dataset created using a single ViSOM

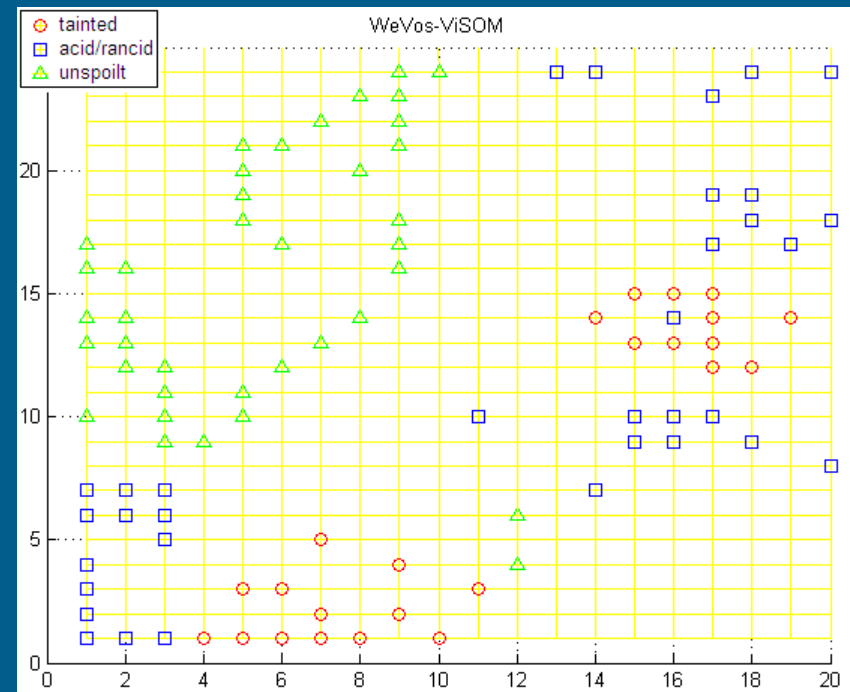


Fig. 18. Map of the Ham dataset created using an ensemble of 5 ViSOMs and the WeVoS summarizing algorithm

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- A novel technique of obtaining fusion of unsupervised visualization algorithms has been presented.
- It has been used for the first time with more advanced models than the single SOM (ViSOM) with good results.
 - Lower distortion errors. Slightly increased quantization error
- The model proves its full potential with more difficult to analyse datasets (faulty or insufficient data)

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- Useful also for organizing information for more accurate and faster retrieval (i.e. CBR systems)
- Future Work Includes:
 - More complex ensemble training algorithms
 - Comparison on a wider range of datasets
 - Use of other similar competitive learning algorithms



[Questions ?

- Thank you for your attention !

