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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: COM 424E

COURSE TITLE: NEURAL NETWORKS

DATE: 24TH APRIL 2018

TIME:11:00AM-1:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

**ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND ANY 2 QUESTIONS
IN SECTION B**

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SECTION A (COMPULSORY – 30 MARKS)**SECTION A: COMPULSORY**

1.
 - a) Define the term
 - i. Neural Networks [2 Marks]
 - ii. Propagation function and network input [4 Marks]
 - iii. Feedforward network:
 - iv. Recurrent networks [2 Marks]
 - b)
 - i. Distinguish between directed and indirect recurrence [4 marks]
 - ii. Explain at least two applications of technical neural networks: [4 marks]
 - iii. Discuss Components of neural networks [4 marks]
 - c) Define the following terms
 - i. Synchronous activation [2 Marks]
 - ii. Random permutation [2 Marks]
 - iii. Topological activation [2 Marks]
 - iv. Explain two neural network learning paradigms [4 marks]

SECTION B

2.
 - i. Distinguish between Online and Offline learning [4 marks]
 - ii. Explain the Hebbian rule [2 marks]
 - iii. Calculate the average value μ and the standard deviation σ for the following data points. [6 marks]

$$p1 = (2, 2, 2)$$

$$p2 = (3, 3, 3)$$

$$p3 = (4, 4, 4)$$

$$p4 = (6, 0, 0)$$

$$p5 = (0, 6, 0)$$

$$p6 = (0, 0, 6)$$
 - iv. Define the following terms
 - a) Input neuron [2 marks]
 - b) Information processing neuron [2 marks]
 - c) Perceptron [2 marks]
 - d) Single layer perceptron [2 marks]
3.
 - i. Provide the Perceptron learning algorithm. [10 marks]
 - ii. Explain the following terms in reference to NN in relation to human nervous system
 - a. Receptors [2 Marks]
 - b. Effectors [2 Marks]
 - c. neural net (brain) [2 Marks]

- 4.
- i. Explain the Hopfield network. [2 marks]
 - ii. Explain the Learning rule for Hopfield networks. [4 Marks]
 - iii. Distinguish between heteroassociator and an autoassociator [4 marks]
 - iv. Hopfield network with $|K| = 1000$ neurons when the weights $w_{i,j}$ shall be stored as integers. Is it possible to limit the value range of the weights in order to save storage space? [10 marks]
- 5.
- i. Compute the weights $w_{i,j}$ for a Hopfield network using the training set
 $P = \{(-1, -1, -1, -1, -1, 1);$
 $(-1, 1, 1, -1, -1, -1);$
 $(1, -1, -1, 1, -1, 1)\}.$ [13 marks]
 - ii. Write down the equation for the output Y_j of a McCulloch-Pitts neuron as a function of its inputs I_i . [4 Marks]
 - iii. State the Learning rule [3 Marks]

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